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## THERMOFLUIDS 2

Time allowed 2 hours

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### **Answer ALL questions**

Only a calculator from approved list B may be used in this examination.

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**ADDITIONAL MATERIAL:** Five printed sheets of formulae  
Thermodynamic Properties of Fluids & other data (in S.I. units, 5<sup>th</sup> edition)  
Enthalpy-Entropy chart – A3 sized photocopy

### **INFORMATION FOR INVIGILATORS:**

Question papers should be collected in at the end of the exam – do not allow candidates to take copies from the exam room.

## Answer all questions

1. [4 marks]

For the flow to be incompressible, we need that [1]:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0.$$

We first find the partial derivatives [2]:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 2xy, \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = -2xy,$$

The sum of the two derivatives yields 0 and therefore the velocity field is incompressible [1].

2. [4 marks]

Taking the momentum equation, bringing the gravity term to the right-hand side and integrating twice along  $x$ , we obtain [1]:

$$v(x) = \frac{-\rho g}{\mu} \frac{x^2}{2} + ax + b.$$

The boundary conditions are:  $v(x=0) = v(x=H) = 0$ , which yield:

$$a = \frac{\rho g}{\mu} \frac{H}{2}, \quad b = 0,$$

and thus [1]:

$$v(x) = \frac{\rho g}{2\mu} (Hx - x^2).$$

The maximum speed in the duct is measured at the centre,  $x = H/2$  [2]:

$$v_{max} = \frac{\rho g}{2\mu} \left( \frac{H^2}{2} - \frac{H^2}{4} \right) = \frac{\rho g H^2}{8\mu} = \frac{1000 \frac{kg}{m^3} \times (-9.81 \frac{m}{s^2}) \times (0.001 m)^2}{2 \times 0.001 \frac{kg}{m s}} = 1.23 \frac{m}{s}.$$

3. [4 marks]

$$\theta(x) = \int_0^{\delta} \frac{u}{U_0} \left( 1 - \frac{u}{U_0} \right) dy = \int_0^{\delta} \frac{y}{\delta} \left( 1 - \frac{y}{\delta} \right) dy = \frac{1}{6} \delta(x) [2]$$

$$\tau_w(x) = \rho U_0^2 \frac{d\theta}{dx} = \rho U_0^2 \frac{1}{6} \frac{d\delta}{dx}$$

$$\tau_w(x) = \mu \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right|_{y=0} = \frac{\mu U_0}{\delta(x)}$$

$$\rho U_0^2 \frac{1}{6} \frac{d\delta}{dx} = \frac{\mu U_0}{\delta(x)} \implies \delta(x) d\delta = \frac{6\mu}{\rho U_0} dx \implies \int_{\delta(x=0)=0}^{\delta(x)} \delta d\delta = \int_{x=0}^x \frac{6\mu}{\rho U_0} dx$$

$$\left[ \frac{\delta^2}{2} \right]_0^{\delta} = \frac{\delta^2}{2} = \frac{6\mu}{\rho U_0} x \implies \frac{\delta^2}{x^2} = \frac{12}{\Re_x} \implies \frac{\delta}{x} \approx \frac{3.46}{\sqrt{\Re_x}}$$

Or [2]:

$$\delta = \sqrt{\frac{12\mu}{\rho U_0} x}$$

4. [4 marks]

$$\Re_L = \frac{UL}{\nu} = \frac{80 \frac{m}{s} \times 3m}{0.000018 \frac{m^2}{s}} = 1.33 \times 10^7 \rightarrow \text{Turbulent [1 mark]}$$

Flow is turbulent. For (a), we use Prandtl's formula:

$$C_D = \frac{0.031}{\Re_L^{1/7}} = \frac{0.031}{(1.33 \times 10^7)^{1/7}} = 0.00298,$$

And [1]:

$$D = \frac{1}{2} C_D \rho U^2 bL = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.00298 \times 1.2 \frac{kg}{m^3} \times \left( 80 \frac{m}{s} \right)^2 \times 0.6m \times 3m = 20.6 N.$$

For (b), the drag coefficient is independent of Re and can be calculated with [1]:

$$C_D = \left( 1.89 + 1.62 \log \frac{L}{\epsilon} \right)^{-2.5} = \left( 1.89 + 1.62 \log \frac{3m}{0.001m} \right)^{-2.5} = 0.00644,$$

And [1]:

$$D = \frac{1}{2} C_D \rho U^2 bL = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.00644 \times 1.2 \frac{kg}{m^3} \times \left( 80 \frac{m}{s} \right)^2 \times 0.6m \times 3m = 44.5 N.$$

5. [4 marks]

Reynolds number

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velocity of the oil is:

$$U_o = \frac{4M_o}{\rho_o \pi d_o^2} = \frac{4 \left( \frac{2 kg}{60 s} \right)}{879 \frac{kg}{m^3} \times \pi \times (0.003m)^2} = 5.36 \frac{m}{s},$$

which gives [1]:

$$\Re = \frac{\rho_o U_o d_o}{\mu_o} = \frac{879 \frac{kg}{m^3} \times 5.36 \frac{m}{s} \times 0.003m}{0.287 \frac{kg}{m \times s}} = 49.$$

The velocity of water will be:

$$U_w = \frac{\mu_w}{\rho_w d_w} \Re = \frac{0.001 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m} \times \text{s}}}{1000 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \times 0.05 \text{ m}} \times 49 = 0.00098 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}},$$

which gives a mass flow rate of [2]:

$$M_w = \frac{\rho_w \pi d_w^2 U_w}{4} = 1000 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \times \pi \times (0.05 \text{ m})^2 \times 0.00098 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \times \frac{1}{4} = 0.0019 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}}.$$

6. [4 marks]

(a)  $m=n-k=7-3=4$  nondimensional groups [1]

(b)

$$\Pi = \gamma \rho_l^a U^b D^c T^{-2-b} = M^0 L^0 T^0.$$

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Therefore:  $a=-1$ ,  $b=-2$ ,  $c=-1$ , and [2]:

$$\Pi = \frac{\gamma}{\rho_l U^2 D} = \frac{1}{We},$$

where the Weber number is a ratio of inertial to surface tension forces [1].

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7. 4 marks

On p.10 of the tables:

specific heat capacity at constant pressure,  $c_{pg} = 2.01 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{K}^{-1}$ . [1]

dynamic viscosity,  $\mu_g = 12.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ . [1]

thermal conductivity,  $k_g = 24.8 \times 10^{-6} \text{ kW} \cdot \text{m}^{-1} \cdot \text{K}^{-1}$ . [1]

Prandtl number is then:

$$Pr = \frac{2.01 \times 12.0 \times 10^{-6}}{24.8 \times 10^{-6}} = 0.9726$$

this matches well the value in the tables. Units were not converted to J and W because the kJ and kW cancelled the factor of 1000 on each. [1]

8. 4 marks

Thermal power is the product of mass flow rate and the change in specific enthalpy. Starting enthalpy is  $125.7 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$  [1] and enthalpy at the end is for superheated steam, have to interpolate from 500 and  $600^\circ\text{C}$ :

$$\frac{h_i - h_{500}}{h_{600} - h_{500}} = \frac{550 - 500}{600 - 500}$$

$$\frac{h_i - 3295}{3573 - 3295} = \frac{50}{100}$$

therefore  $h_{\text{out}} = 3434 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$ . [1]

therefore the thermal power is:

$$\dot{Q} = \dot{m} \Delta h = 20 \times (3434 - 125.7) = 66,166 \text{ kW}$$

i.e. 66.166 MW [2].

9. 4 marks

At 0.05 bar, saturation entropy is  $8.394 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{K}^{-1}$ , so it is wet steam, made up of  $s_g = 8.394 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{K}^{-1}$  and  $s_f = 0.476 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{K}^{-1}$ . Dryness fraction  $x$ :

$$(1-x)s_f + xs_g = 6.394 \rightarrow x = 0.747$$

$h_{\text{out}}$  is therefore partly  $h_g = 2561 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$  and partly  $h_f = 138 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$ :

$$(1-x)h_f + xh_g = h \rightarrow h = 1949.0$$

useful shortcut is to use the chart to get the same value

[2]

and using the isentropic efficiency:

$$\eta_{\text{isen.turbine}} = \frac{\text{actual work out}}{3411.5 - 1949} = 0.96 \rightarrow \text{actual work out} = 1404.0$$

units  $\text{kJ} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$ . [2]

10. 4 marks

At 80% humidity and  $40^\circ\text{C}$ , it is possible to find the vapour pressure using the formula, and  $p_{g,40\text{C}} = 0.07375 \text{ bar}$  (from tables):

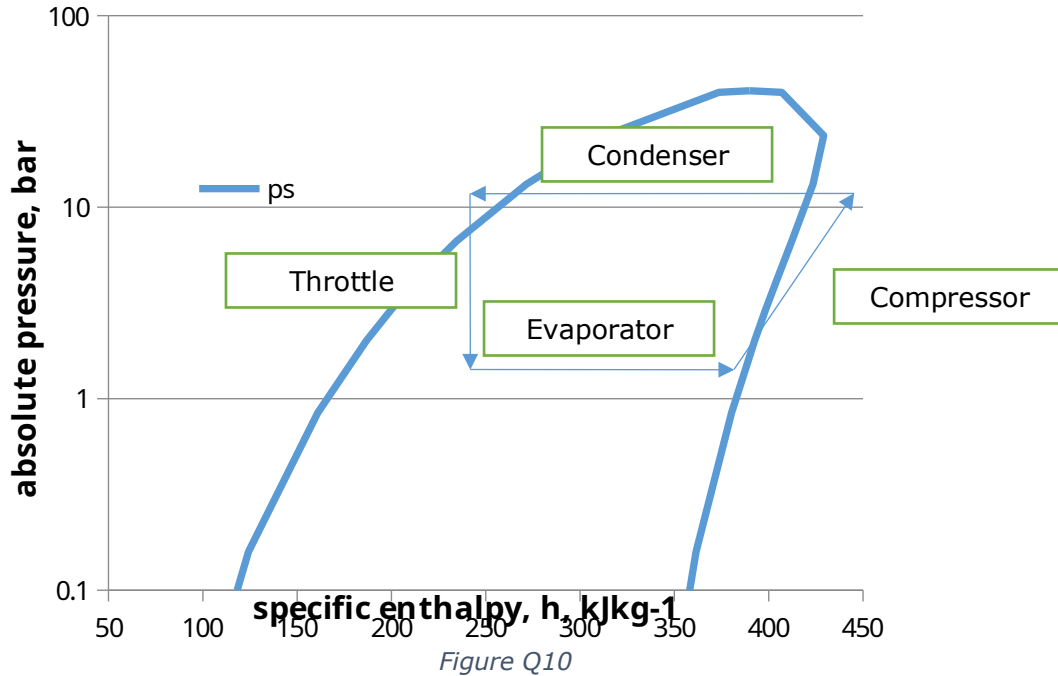
$$\phi = \frac{p_s}{p_g} \rightarrow 0.8 = \frac{p_s}{0.07375} \rightarrow p_s = 0.059$$

units bar [1]. At  $21^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $p_g = 0.02486 \text{ bar}$ . Since this is less than 0.059 bar, it means that the air will not support the full amount of vapour in the air, and that some vapour will condense leaving the room at 100% humidity [1]. The absolute humidity will be, by using the formula:

$$\omega = 0.622 \frac{p_s}{(p - p_s)} = 0.622 \frac{0.02486}{(1 - 0.02486)} = 0.0159 [1]$$

100% humidity is very uncomfortable for people, and this is unacceptable. [1]

11. 4 marks, [1] for each arrow and label:



12. 4 marks

use the formulae to see what is going on:

$$SSC = \frac{3600}{\text{net specific power out}} \rightarrow 3 \text{ kg/kWh} = \frac{3600 \text{ kJ/kWh}}{\dot{w} \text{ kJ/kg}} \rightarrow \dot{w} = 1200 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} [1]$$

Therefore gross or turbine specific work output is:

$$r_w = \frac{\text{net work out}}{\text{gross work out}} \rightarrow \dot{w}_{\text{gross}} = \frac{1200}{0.97} = 1237.1 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} [1]$$

and the flow rate of water is by the pump power, which is  $1237.1 - 1200.0 = 37.1 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$  and the pump power which is 1 MW (1000 kW), therefore:

$$\dot{m} = \frac{1000 \text{ kJ/s}}{37.1 \text{ kJ/kg}} = 26.95 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{s}^{-1} [1]$$

and turbine power is the product of mass flow rate and power: 32,344 kW or 32.3 MW [1].

alternative method, small difference due to rounding errors:

$$r_w = 0.97 = \frac{\text{net work out}}{\text{gross work out}} = \frac{\dot{w}_{\text{turbine}} - \dot{w}_{\text{pump}}}{\dot{w}_{\text{turbine}}} \rightarrow \dot{w}_{\text{turbine}} = \frac{\dot{w}_{\text{pump}}}{0.03} = \frac{1000}{0.03} = 33,333 \text{ kW} [1]$$

net work in kWh/s:

$$\dot{w}_{\text{net}} = \frac{\dot{w}_{\text{net}} \text{ kJ/s}}{3600 \text{ kJ/kWh}} = \frac{32,333}{3600} = 8.981 \text{ kWh/s}$$

and finally mass flow rate:

$$\dot{m}_{water} = 8.981 \frac{kWh}{s} \times \frac{3kg}{kWh} = 26.94 kg/s [1]$$

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