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Open Channel Flow

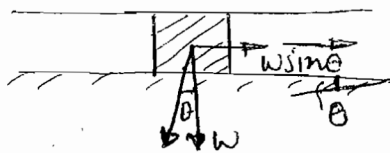
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1. INTRODUCTION

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- In open channel flow, liquid flows with free surface. Free-surface is a interface of liquid & gas & shear stress = 0. on the free surface.
- The main driving force in case of OCF is Gravity.



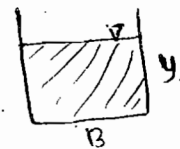
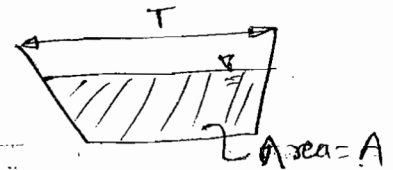
- since Gravity is the most dominant force in OCF, the dimensionless no. used for analysis is Froude number.

$$\text{Froude No.} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{g \frac{A}{T}}}$$

$V =$ Avg. Velocity of flow

$\frac{A}{T} =$ Hydraulic depth

$T =$ Top surface width



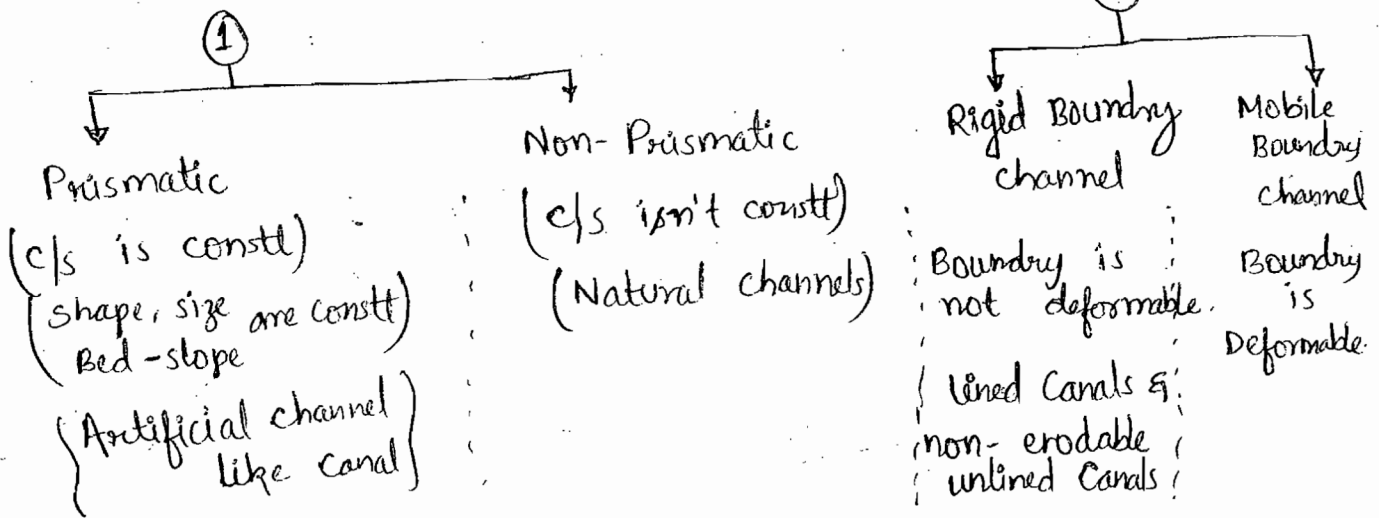
$$A = By$$

$$T = B$$

$$\frac{A}{T} = y$$

$$F_r \text{ for rectangular channel} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{gy}}$$

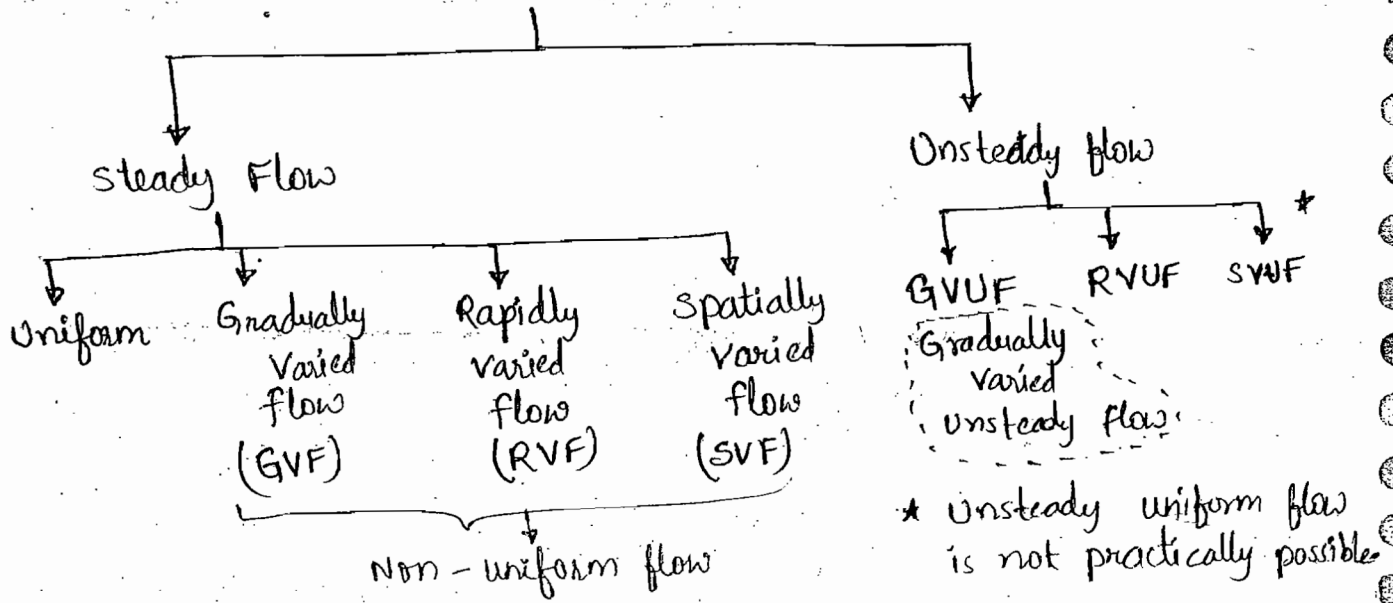
Type of channel



- In Rigid boundary channel, only the depth of flow varies with discharge. Hence the channel said to have single degree of freedom.

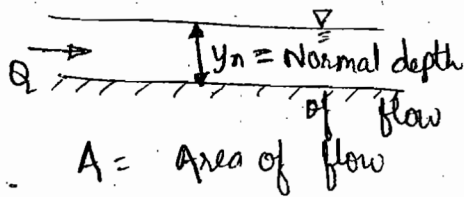
- In mobile boundary channel, there can be change in depth of flow, c/s shape, bed slope & layout. Degree of freedom = 4.
- In OCF, we will concentrate only on Prismatic-Rigid Boundary channel.

Type of Flow



- If the flow properties do not change with time \rightarrow Steady flow.
- In steady 1-D flow, continuity eqⁿ leads to $Q = \text{const}$.

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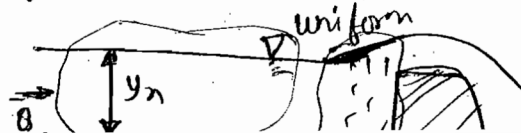
$Q = \text{const}$ for steady flow

• For prismatic channel, if Q is const, A will be const \Rightarrow depth = const

$$\Rightarrow \frac{Q}{A} = \text{const} \Rightarrow v = \text{const}$$

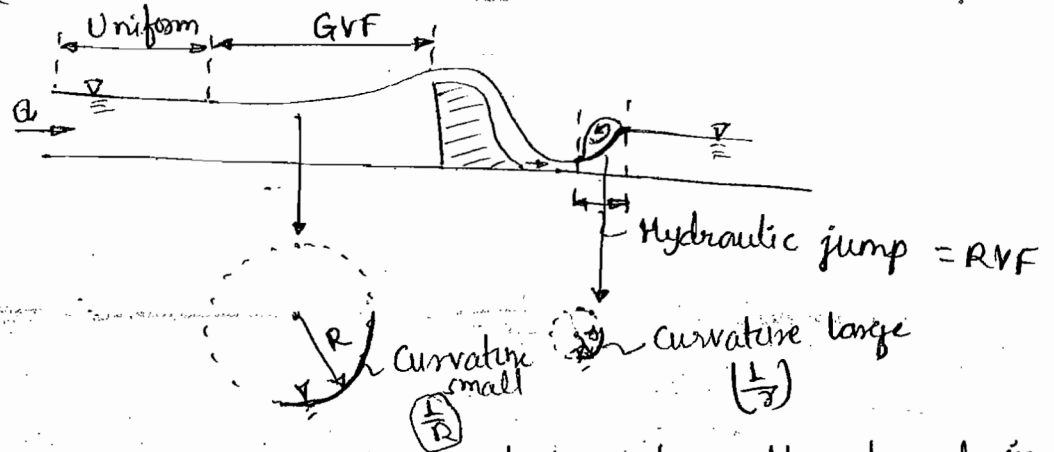
- A steady flow will be uniform, if depth & velocity of flow remain const with space \rightarrow Uniform flow.

- The const depth of flow in uniform flow is called normal depth of flow.



- If depth of flow does not remain constant with space, the flow is called non-uniform flow.
- Steady - non-uniform flows are — GVF, RVF & SVF
- Unsteady - non uniform flows are — GVUF, RVUF & SVUF

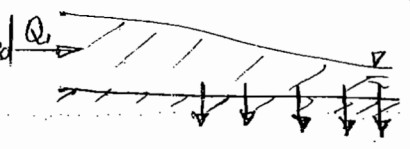
Gradually Varied Flow (GVF) & Rapidly varied Flow (RVF)



- If the depth of flow changes gradually along the channel in a steady flow, \rightarrow GVF &
- If the depth of flow changes rapidly along the channel length in steady flow \rightarrow RVF.
- In case of GVF, water surface curvature is small & it is large in case of RVF.
- Uniform flow sets up on a channel, if we have sufficient length of undisturbed flow.
- The flow upstream of dam, weir or sluice gate are an example of GVF.
- Hydraulic jump & hydraulic drop are examples of RVF.



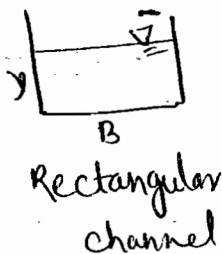
Spatially varied flow (SVF)

- If discharge is added or extracted Q_e  ~~flow~~ from the flow \rightarrow SVF.
- If addⁿ or extraction rate is constt, the flow is called SVF & if it varies with time \rightarrow SVUF.
- Flow over road side gutter, side channel spillway, wash water trough, in filter & effluent channel around sewage treatment tank are examples of SVF.
- Runoff due to rainfall when infiltration rate is not constt is an example of SVUF.
- Passes of flood wave in a river when the river banks are not breached is an example of GVUF.
- Passes of flood wave in a river when the river banks are breached is an example of SVUF.
- Surge is an example of RVUF.

Laminar & Turbulent flows :-

- Most of the OCFs are turbulent in nature.
- Reynolds no. in OCF is defined as $Re = \frac{\rho V R}{\mu}$

$$R = \text{Hydraulic radius} \\ = \frac{\text{Area of flow}}{\text{wetted perimeter}} = \frac{A}{P}$$



$$A = By \\ P = B + 2y$$

$$\Rightarrow R = \frac{By}{B + 2y}$$

$$\boxed{R = y} \quad \{ \text{if } 2y \ll B \}$$

side Rectangular

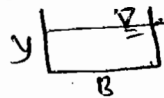
IN OUF : $Re < 500$ — Laminar

$Re > 2000$ — Turbulent

Critical, Sub-critical & Super-critical flow :-

$$Fr = \frac{V}{\sqrt{gA/T}} \quad , \quad \frac{A}{T} = \text{Hydraulic depth}$$

For Rectangular channel : $Fr = \frac{V}{\sqrt{gy}}$



$$C_0 = \sqrt{gy}$$

$C_0 = \text{Celerity} = \text{velocity of wave wrt. water}$

- The denominator in the Froude no. is called 'c₀', which is ~~best~~ wave speed at which disturbance wave of long wave length & ^{small} amplitude travels wrt. water of small depth.

	Fr	Depth = y	Velocity
Sub critical	< 1	y > y _c	v < v _c
Critical	= 1	y = y _c	v = v _c
Super critical	> 1	y < y _c	v > v _c

y_c = Critical depth of flow

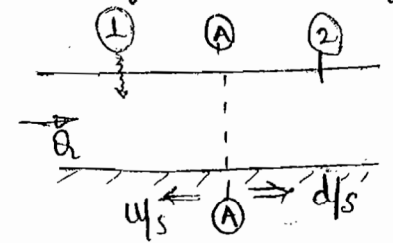
v_c = Critical velocity " " under critical condⁿ

- Sub-critical flow is also called tranquil flow or streaming flow.
- Under sub-critical flow condⁿ, Gravity force dominates the inertial force & the flow behaves in a slow & stable wave.
- Super Critical flow is also called shooting or potential flow or rapid flow.

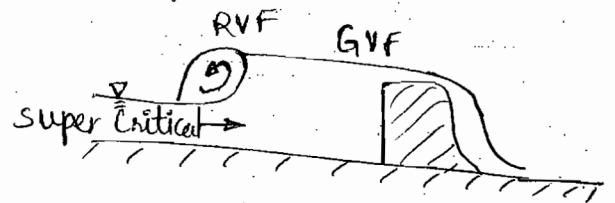
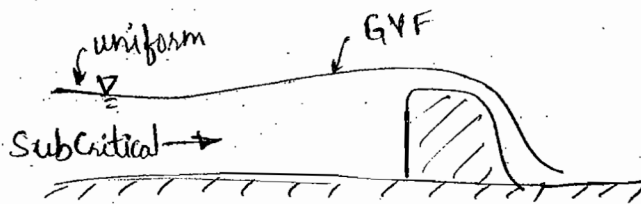
Small disturbance wave can not travel up, because it will be washed d/s by super critical flow in case of super critical flow. But

In sub-critical flow, ^{smallly} disturbance wave can travel u/s. And this is used to differentiate the type of flow in the field.

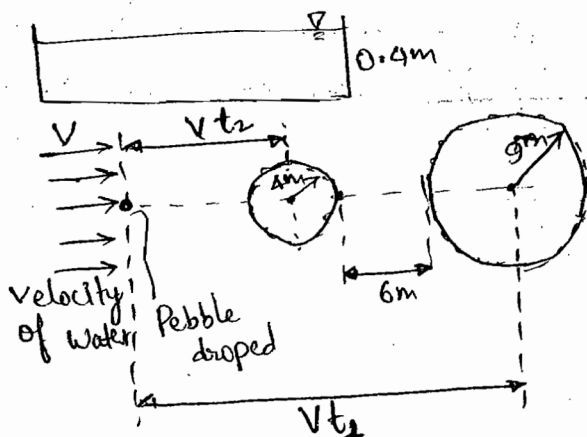
- Super Critical flow has u/s control.
- sub critical flow has d/s control. (also)
- If we want to change flow condⁿ at secⁿ A-A, Then we need to create change at secⁿ I for super critical flow condⁿs.



- At control secⁿ, there is fixed relationship b/w discharge & depth of flow.
- changing the flow condⁿ(s) at control secⁿ leads to change in flow condⁿ at other location.



1Q. Water flows rapidly in a flat wide channel 0.4m deep. Pebbles drop successively in the water at the same spot creates two circular ripples as shown in the fig. Find the speed of water.



$$\text{solⁿ: } C_0 = \sqrt{gy} = \sqrt{9.81 \times 0.4} = 1.98 \text{ m/s}$$

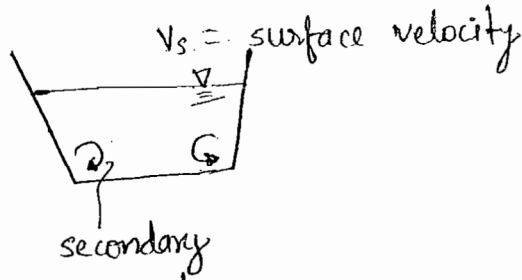
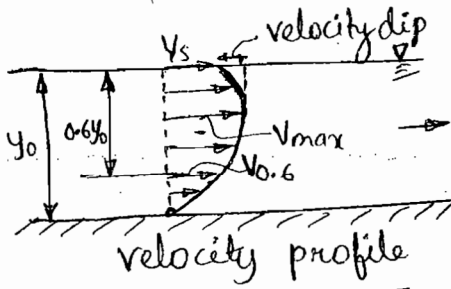
$$vt_1 = vt_2 + 4 + 6 + 9$$

$$\Rightarrow v(t_1 - t_2) = 19$$

$$t_1 = \frac{9 \text{ m}}{C_0} = \frac{9}{1.98} =$$

$$t_2 = \frac{4}{C_0} =$$

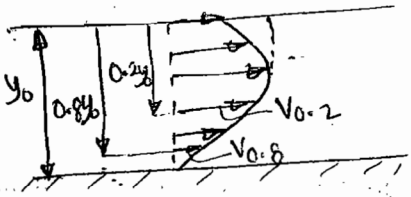
Velocity distribution



$$V_{avg} = V_{0.6} \quad \text{single point observation method}$$

• Velocity dip is due to secondary current.

• secondary current is a fun of ratio of depth to width (aspect ratio) of channel.



$$V_{avg} = \frac{V_{0.2} + V_{0.8}}{2} \quad \text{two point observation method}$$

$$V_{avg} = K V_s$$

two point observation method

$$K = 0.8 - 0.95$$

• For larger $\frac{\text{depth}}{\text{width}}$ Ratio, 2° -current effect is more, i.e.

In narrow channel, 2° -current effect is more.

• 2° -current effect is more in the presence of corner in channel.

• Effect of Δ wind on velocity dip is insignificant.

• Due to 2° -current a log of wood tends to float in the mid reaches of the river.

The K.E. correction factor & momentum correction factor ≈ 1 in OCF. b/c flow is mostly turbulent.

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$$\text{KE correction factor} = \alpha = \frac{\int A V^3 dA}{A V_{av}^3}$$

$$\text{Momentum correction factor} = \beta = \frac{\int A V^2 dA}{A V_{av}^2}$$