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As shown in Video VB, ID and IB P8.30 the velocity profile for laminar flow in a pipe is quite different from that for turbulent flow. With laminar flow the velocity profile is parabolic; with turbulent flow at Re = 10,000 the velocity profile can be approximated by the power-law profile shown in the figure. (a) For laminar flow, determine at what radial loaction you would place a Pitot tube if it is to measure the average velocity in the pipe. (b) Repeat part (a) for turbulent flow with Re = 10,000.

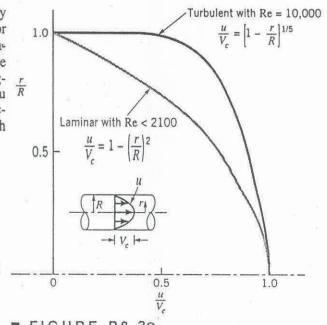


FIGURE P8.30

For laminar or turbulent flow,

$$Q = AV = \pi R^2 V = \int U dA = \int U (2\pi r dr) = 2\pi \int U r dr$$

a) Laminar flow:
$$\pi R^{2}V = 2\pi V_{c} \int_{c}^{R} \left[1 - \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^{2}\right] dr = 2\pi V_{c} \left[\frac{R^{2}}{2} - \frac{R^{2}}{4}\right] = \pi \frac{R^{2}}{2}V_{c}$$
Thus, $V = \frac{1}{2}V_{c}$ For $u = V = \frac{V_{c}}{2}$ the equation for $\frac{U_{c}}{V_{c}}$ gives $\frac{U_{c}}{V_{c}} = \frac{1}{2} = 1 - \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^{2}$, or $\left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^{2} = \frac{1}{2}$ Thus, $r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}R = 0.707R$

b) Turbulent flow
$$R$$
 $\pi R^2 V = 2\pi V_C \int r \left[1 - \frac{r}{R}\right]^{\frac{1}{5}} dr = 2\pi R^2 V_C \int \left(\frac{r}{R}\right) \left[1 - \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)\right]^{\frac{1}{5}} d\left(\frac{r}{R}\right)$

Let $y = 1 - \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)$ so that $\left(\frac{r}{R}\right) = 1 - y$ and $d\left(\frac{r}{R}\right) = -dy$

Thus,

 $\pi R^2 V = 2\pi R^2 V_C \int \left(1 - y\right) y^{\frac{1}{5}} \left(-dy\right) = 2\pi R^2 V_C \int \left(y^{\frac{1}{5}} - y^{\frac{6}{5}}\right) dy$
 $= 2\pi R^2 V_C \left[\frac{5}{6} - \frac{5}{11}\right] = 2\pi R^2 V_C \left(\frac{25}{66}\right)$

or $V = \frac{50}{66} V_C$ For $u = V = \frac{50}{60}$ the equation for $\frac{u}{V_C}$ gives

 $\frac{u}{V_C} = \frac{50}{66} = \left[1 - \frac{r}{R}\right]^{\frac{1}{5}}$ or $\frac{r}{R} = 0.750$ so that $r = 0.750$ R