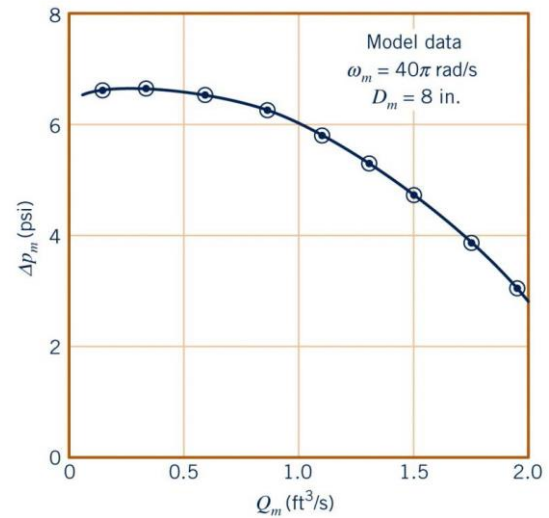
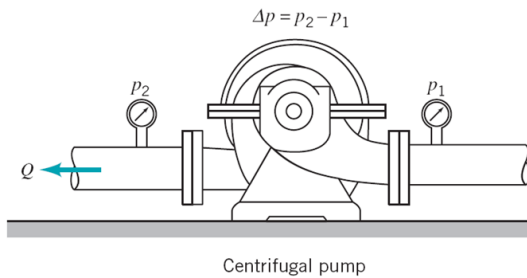


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The pressure rise, Δp , across a centrifugal pump in Figure can be expressed as $\Delta p = f(D, \omega, \rho, Q)$, where D is the impeller diameter, ω the angular velocity of the impeller (unit for ω is T^{-1}), ρ the fluid density, and Q the volume rate of flow through the pump. (a) By using dimensional analysis find the pi terms. (b) A model pump having a diameter of 8 in. is tested in a laboratory using water ($\rho = 998 \text{ kg/m}^3$). When operated at an angular velocity of $40\pi \text{ rad/s}$ the model pressure rise as a function of Q is shown in Figure. Use this curve to predict the pressure rise across a geometrically similar pump (prototype) for a prototype flowrate of $6 \text{ ft}^3/\text{s}$. The prototype has a diameter of 12 in. and operates at an angular velocity of $60\pi \text{ rad/s}$. The prototype fluid is also water.



Solution: **Format (+3)**

(a)

Δp	D	ω	ρ	Q
$ML^{-1}T^{-2}$	L	T^{-1}	ML^{-3}	L^3T^{-1}

$$k - r = 5 - 3 = 2 \quad (+1)$$

Pi terms

$$\Pi_1 = D^a \omega^b \rho^c \Delta p \doteq (L)^a (T^{-1})^b (ML^{-3})^c (ML^{-1}T^{-2}) \doteq L^0 T^0 M^0$$

Thus, $a = -2$, $b = -2$, and $c = -1$.

$$\therefore \Pi_1 = \frac{\Delta p}{\rho \omega^2 D^2} \quad (+2)$$

$$\Pi_2 = D^a \omega^b \rho^c Q \doteq (L)^a (T^{-1})^b (ML^{-3})^c (L^3 T^{-1}) \doteq L^0 T^0 M^0$$

Thus, $a = -3$, $b = -1$, and $c = 0$.

$$\therefore \Pi_2 = \frac{Q}{\omega D^3} \quad (+2)$$

(b) Similarity

$$\frac{Q}{\omega D^3} = \frac{Q_m}{\omega_m D_m^3}$$

$$Q_m = \left(\frac{\omega_m}{\omega}\right) \left(\frac{D_m}{D}\right)^3 Q$$

$$Q_m = \left(\frac{40\pi}{60\pi}\right) \left(\frac{8}{12}\right)^3 (6) = 1.19 \text{ ft}^3/\text{s} \quad (+1)$$

Prediction equation

$$\frac{\Delta p}{\rho \omega^2 D^2} = \frac{\Delta p_m}{\rho_m \omega_m^2 D_m^2}$$

$$\Delta p = \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_m}\right) \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_m}\right)^2 \left(\frac{D}{D_m}\right)^2 \Delta p_m$$

From Fig., $\Delta p_m = 5.5$ psi at $Q_m = 1.19$ ft³/s.

$$\therefore \Delta p = (1) \left(\frac{60\pi}{40\pi}\right)^2 \left(\frac{12}{8}\right)^2 (5.5) = 27.8 \text{ psi} \quad (+1)$$