

The Economic Pipe Diameter for Non-Newtonian Fluids

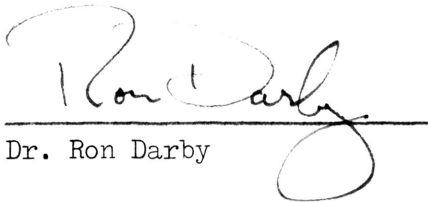
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ABSTRACT

Much work has been done in the past for calculating the economic pipe diameter for Newtonian fluids, but there has been very little done to date for the case of non-Newtonian fluids; i.e., a fluid whose viscosity is not constant with increasing shear rate. Since so many fluids that occur industrially do not behave as a Newtonian fluid, there is a great need for a way to determine the optimum economic pipe diameter for these non-ideal fluids. This paper presents a method of finding the economic pipe diameter for Bingham plastics and pseudoplastics knowing all the flow parameters except D . Figures V and VI on pages 17 and 20 are dimensionless plots which show the economic Reynold's number as a function of two variables which are independent of D . Ψ incorporates all the economic variables and was calculated in this report to be equal to $0.11507 \text{ ft}^{(p-1)} \text{ s}^3 / \text{lb}_m$, but, if desired, a new Ψ can be calculated from equation (13) and still be used with the charts.

A preliminary part of the work involve deriving a simple empirical equation for the friction factor of Bingham plastics. The equation that was derived is presented on page 13, and the comparison with a friction factor chart show in figure III on page 6.

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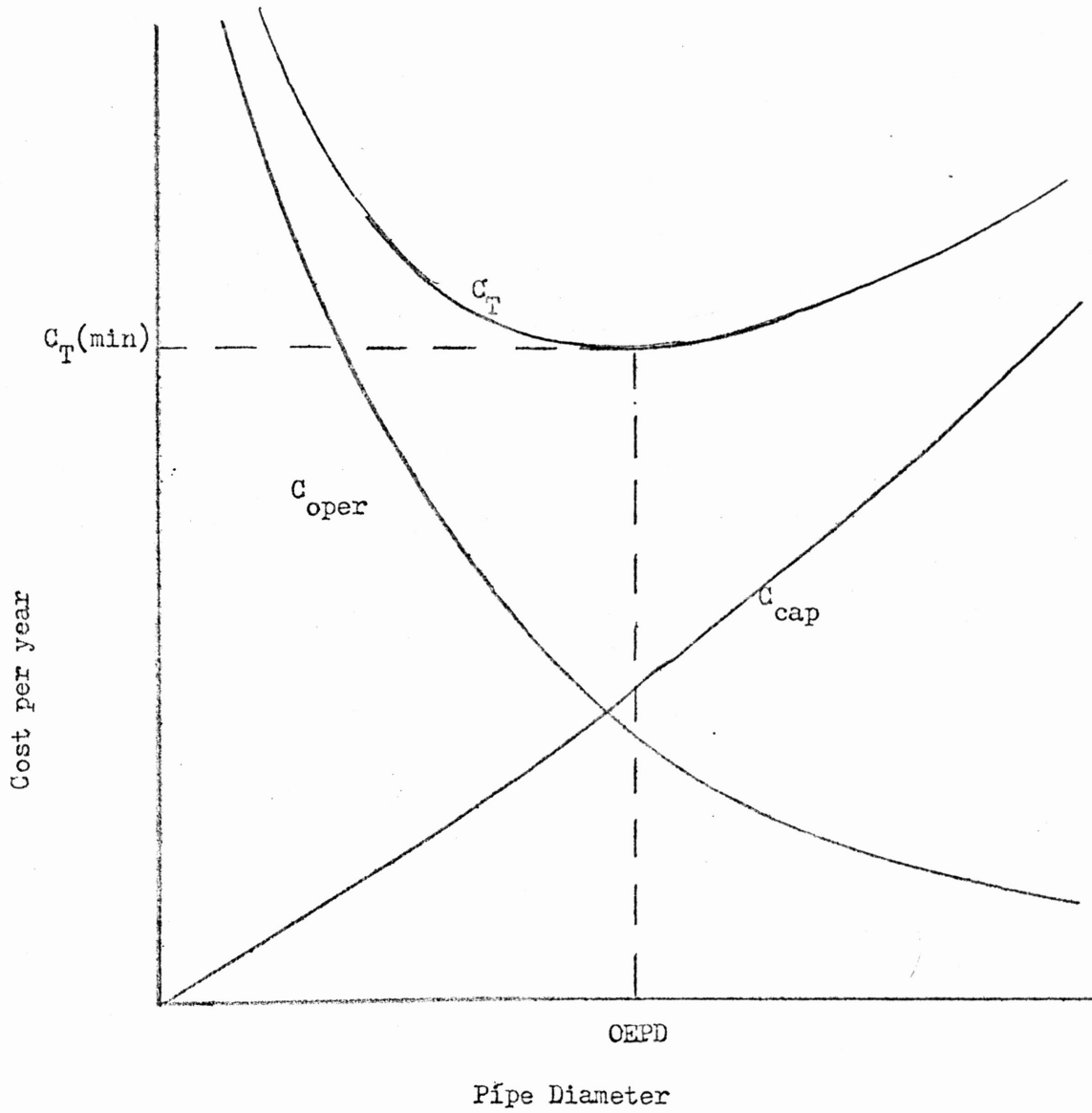
INTRODUCTION

With the costs of constructing and operating a pipeline constantly increasing, it has become extremely important for an engineer to build the pipeline at the most economic diameter. The costs associated with pumping a fluid are directly related to the diameter of the pipe. As the inside pipe diameter increases, the operating costs decrease due to less friction loss. At the same time, however, the capital costs increase due to more material. Especially when the pipeline is to transport a fluid over a great distance, it is an engineer's design strategy to determine the pipe diameter at which the total yearly costs are minimized; i.e., the optimum economic pipe diameter (OEPD) (see figure I, page 2).

While much has been done in the area of Newtonian fluids, very little has been done in determining the OEPD for non-Newtonian fluids. A non-Newtonian fluid may be simply described as one whose viscosity does not remain constant with changing shear rate. In this study Bingham plastics and pseudoplastics were investigated.

The objective of this research was to present a simple method of determining the OEPD to use in pumping a Bingham plastic or pseudoplastic. The final results are presented in the form of dimensionless plots.

Figure I : Variation of operating costs, capital cost, and total costs with pipe diameter.



LITERATURE REVIEW

Much work has been done in developing methods of finding the OEPD for Newtonian fluids. Peters and Timmerhaus present empirical equations to calculate the OEPD (see reference (6), pp. 380 - 381), while Perry provides a nomograph for this purpose (see reference (5), p. 5-31). These are only two examples of numerous efforts in this area. Not all fluids used industrially, though, are Newtonian. In fact, most fluids are probably non-Newtonian. Easy to use methods are not readily available to engineers for this broader case of fluids.

The first fluid to be considered is Bingham plastics. A Bingham plastic is a fluid that will not flow until a certain critical shear stress, τ_y , is applied (see figure IIb, page 4). Examples of Bingham plastics are certain water suspensions of rock, sand, and grain; drilling muds; sewage sludge; and greases. The Reynold's number for Bingham plastics is defined in terms of the plastic viscosity, η , rather than the normal viscosity, μ .

$$N_{Re} = \frac{DV\rho}{\eta} = \frac{\dot{m}}{D} \frac{4}{\eta} \frac{1}{\pi} \quad (1)$$

Another dimensionless variable used in describing the characteristic of a Bingham plastic is the Hedstrom number, which is dependent on the critical shear stress.

$$N_{He} = \frac{g_c \tau_y D^2 \rho}{\eta^2} \quad (2)$$

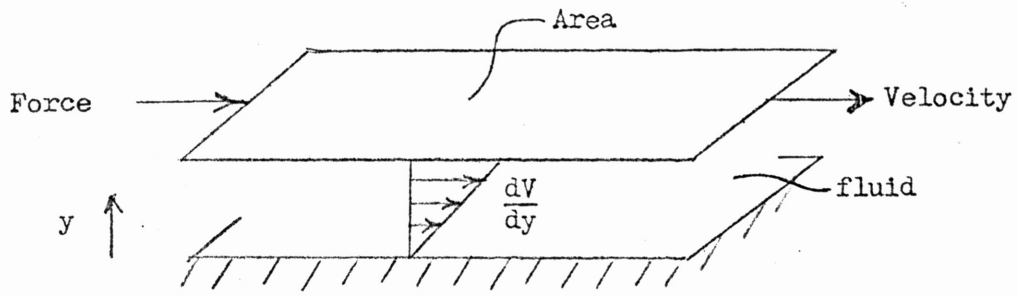


Figure IIa : The sliding plate experiment.

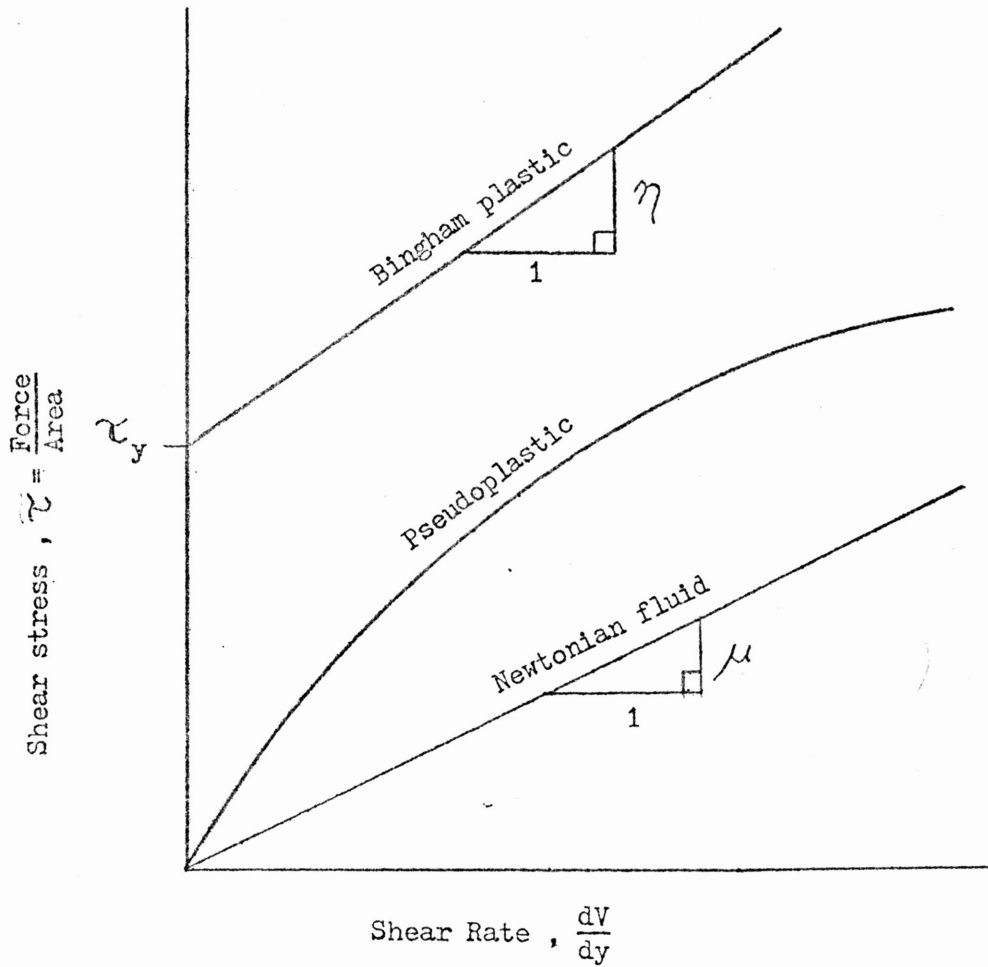


Figure IIb : Outcome of sliding plate experiment.

The friction factor for Bingham plastics is a function of N_{Re} and N_{He} , as shown in figure III, page 6 . The laminar region is described by the implicit equation

$$f_L = \frac{16}{N_{Re}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{6} \frac{N_{He}}{N_{Re}} - \frac{1}{3f_L^3} \frac{N_{He}^4}{N_{Re}^7} \right] \quad (3)$$

The transition and turbulent region of the chart was determined by a semi-empirical equation including a complicated integral (see reference (3)). One objective of this research was to create a simple empirical equation which would relate the friction factor to N_{Re} and N_{He} . (Note: There is evidence to support the assumption that the pipe roughness does not affect the friction factor significantly for non-Newtonian fluids.)

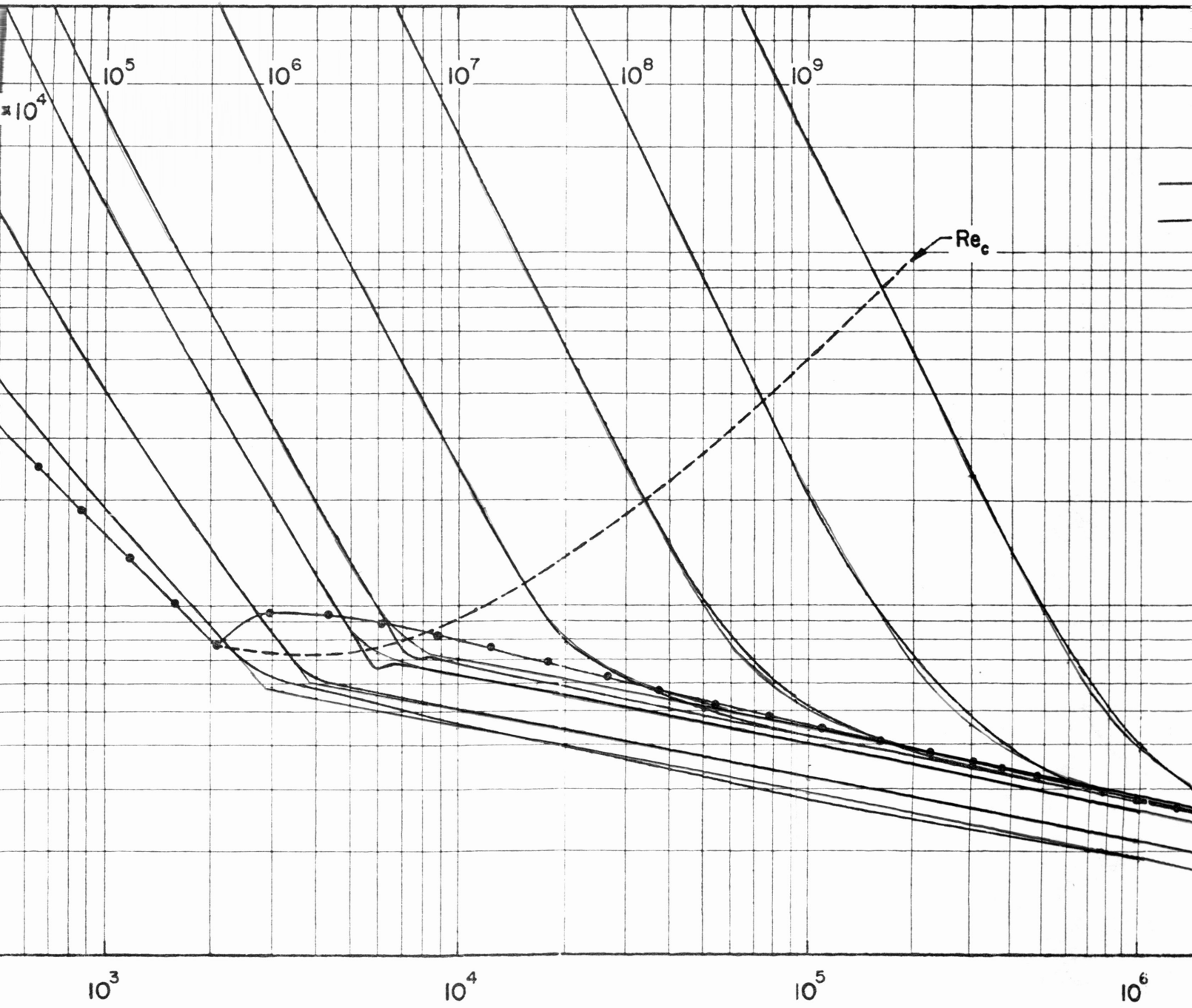
For a pseudoplastic, the relationship between the shear stress and shear rate is not linear, but generally can be related by the power law equation.

$$\tau = K \left(\frac{dV}{dy} \right)^n \quad (4)$$

where $n \leq 1.0$ for a pseudoplastic. K and n are not easily determined experimentally, but similar pair of rheological parameters, K' and n' , can be readily found from a series of capillary viscometer experiments. The sets of variables are related by the fact that for most cases

$$n' = n \quad (5)$$

$$K' = K \left(\frac{3n + 1}{4n} \right)^n \quad (6)$$



: Friction factor for Bingham plastics.

(from Hanks and Dadia, see reference)

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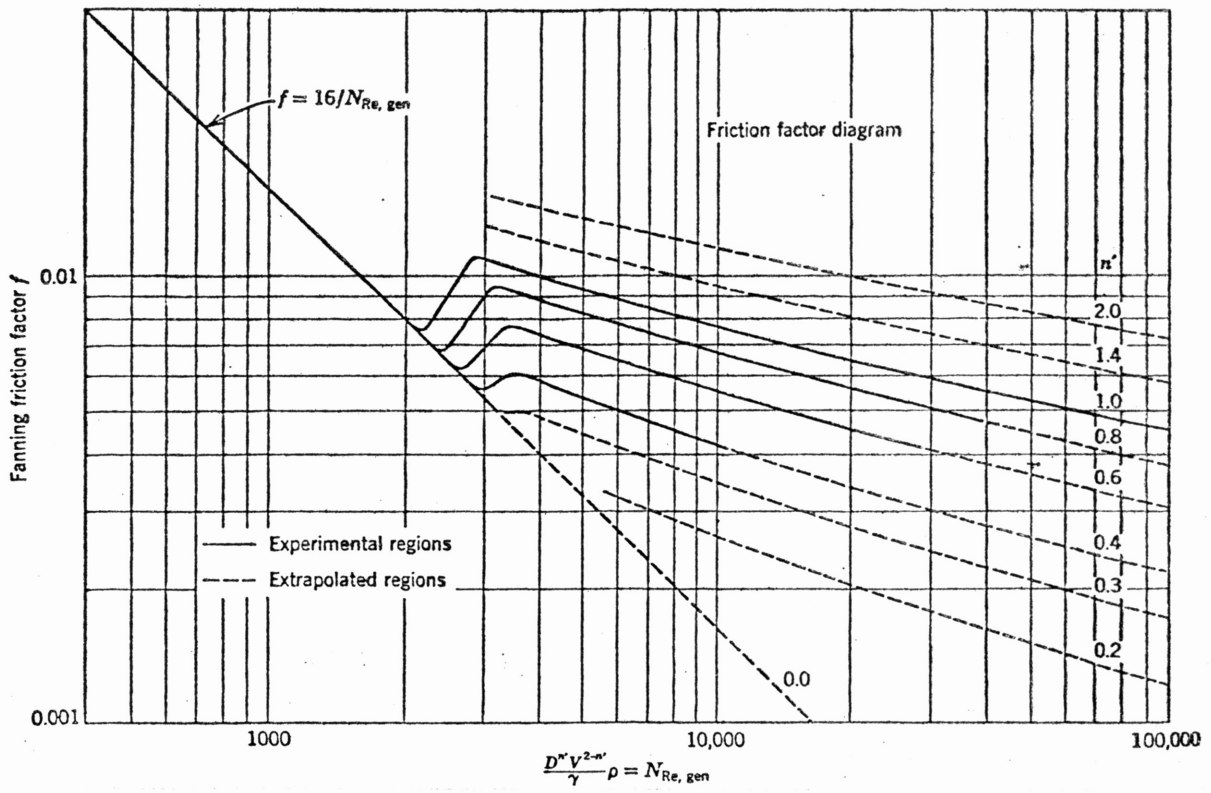


Figure IV : Friction factor for pseudoplastics.

(from Skelland, Non-Newtonian Flow and Heat Transfer, p. 194)

Examples of pseudoplastics are many slurries, oils, and polymers.

The friction factor for pseudoplastics is generally determined in terms of K' and n' . The generalized Reynold's number for pseudoplastics is defined as

$$N_{Re} = \frac{D^{n'} V^{(2-n')} \rho}{8^{(n'-1)} K'} = \frac{\dot{m}^{(2-n')} \rho^{(n'-1)}}{D^{(4-3n')} 8^{(n'-1)} K'} \left(\frac{4}{\pi}\right)^{(2-n')} \quad (7)$$

The most accepted correlation for the friction factor is from the work by Dodge and Metzner. Figure IV, page 7, shows f as a function of N_{Re} and n' . The equation for the laminar region is well established.

$$f_L = \frac{16}{N_{Re}} \quad (8)$$

Dodge and Metzner's equation for turbulent flow is

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{f_T}} = \frac{4.0}{n', .75} \log \left[N_{Re} f_T^{(1-n'/2)} \right] - \frac{0.4}{n', 1.2} \quad (9)$$

These relationships were accepted and used in this investigation.

It is interesting to note that Newtonian fluids are a special class of both Bingham plastics and power law fluids. If $\tau_y = 0$, then $N_{He} = 0$ and $\eta = \mu$, and equations (1) and (3) reduce to the case for Newtonian fluids. The same is true for the case of pseudoplastics where $n' = 1.0$.

The method used to calculate the OEPD is developed fully by Skelland (see reference(7), pp. 240 - 265). Basically, the operating costs per year per foot diameter are directly proportional to the amount of work required to overcome friction losses.

$$C_{\text{oper}} = \frac{2 \text{ PC } f \dot{m}^3 h (4/\pi)^2}{g_c D^5 \rho^2 E} \quad (10)$$

(Note : C_{oper} also includes other terms related to kinetic and potential energy, but these terms are not a function of pipe diameter and eventually cancel out.)

The yearly capital costs can be expressed as a fraction of the total initial investment cost for the pipeline.

$$C_{\text{cap}} = \text{CC} \cdot X \cdot D^p \quad (11)$$

where CC includes the fraction of the initial investment that must be allotted yearly to depreciation, maintenance, etc.; X includes all purchased and installed costs per foot; and p will vary from 1.0 to 1.5 depending on the pipe material and wall thickness.

The total yearly cost is the sum of equations (10) and (11). OEPD is the diameter where the total cost is a minimum; i.e., where $(\partial C_T / \partial D) = 0$.

$$D = \left[\Psi f \frac{\dot{m}^3}{\rho^2} (4/\pi)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{5+p}} \quad (12)$$

where Ψ incorporates all the economic variables.

$$\Psi = \frac{10 \text{ PC}}{g_c \cdot X \cdot p \cdot E \cdot \text{CC}} \quad (13)$$

Equation (12) is implicit in that f is a function of D through the

Reynold's number, and the Hedstrom number for Bingham plastics. Though the equation does converge after only a few iterations, it is not easy to use for most situations.

RESULTS

Economic Variables

Data was obtained from Earl and Wright Consulting Engineers of Houston, Texas in order to determine values for the economic variables in equation (13). To calculate the variables in equation (11), the inside pipe diameter was plotted against the cost of pipe per mile on a log-log graph (see figure VII, page 26). The following results were obtained.

$$X = 130,600 \text{ \$/}(\text{mi ft}^p) = 24.728 \text{ \$/ft}^{(p+1)}$$

$$p = 1.193$$

These values are for 400# ANSI pipe and include all reasonable purchase installation costs.

Likewise, the pump station operating costs were plotted versus horsepower, and the points were fitted to a linear equation (see figure VIII, page 27).

$$C_{\text{oper}} = 172,860 + 450.818 \text{ hp}$$

The constant term would be eliminated when the cost equation was differentiated; therefore, PC could simply be expressed as

$$PC = 450.818 \text{ \$/}(\text{hp yr})$$

Values of CC and E may be approximated as

$$CC = 0.15 \text{ yr}^{-1}$$

$$E = 0.50$$

By plugging the above values into equation (13), Ψ was calculated.

$$\Psi = 0.11507 \text{ ft}^{(p-1)} \text{ s}^3 / \text{lb}_m$$

Bingham Plastics

The first task in dealing with this problem was to derive an empirical equation for the friction factor. To account for all regions of flow, including the transition region, the equation was expressed in a form similar to the Churchill equation.

$$f = (f_L^\gamma + f_T^\gamma)^{1/\gamma} \quad (14)$$

Equation (3) was used for laminar flow.

$$f_L = \frac{16}{N_{Re}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{6} \frac{N_{He}}{N_{Re}} - \frac{1}{3 f_L^3} \frac{N_{He}^4}{N_{Re}^7} \right] \quad (3)$$

An equation for f_T was derived using figure III, page 6. The N_{He} lines turbulent flow were all assumed to be parallel, with the placement on the chart determined as a function of N_{He} .

$$f_T = \frac{10^A}{N_{Re}^{0.193}} \quad (15)$$

$$A = -1.378 \left[1 + 0.146 \exp(-2.9 \times 10^{-5} N_{He}) \right]$$

Equation (15) is only for N_{He} greater than 1000 since there is a great deal of uncertainty as to f_T for N_{He} between 0 and 10^3 .

To complete equation (14), γ was determined as a function of N_{Re} .

$$\gamma = 1.7 + \frac{4 \times 10^4}{N_{Re}} \quad (16)$$

The results of equation (14) are plotted in red on figure III, page 6.

In the problem of determining the OEPD, it was assumed that all other fluid properties would be known, including the mass flow rate. Therefore, the optimum diameter would also correspond to the optimum Reynold's number. The objective of a dimensionless plot would be to present the optimum N_{Re} from dimensionless variables which do not include diameter. These other variables were determined by combining the dimensionless numbers f , N_{Re} , and N_{He} in a couple of forms. Equation (12) was rearranged into

$$f = \frac{D^{(5+p)} \rho^2}{\psi \dot{m}^3} \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)^2 \quad (17)$$

This was combined with the Reynold's number, equation (1), in such a way that the D's cancelled.

$$f N_{Re}^{(5+p)} = \frac{\dot{m}^{(2+p)} \rho^2}{\psi \eta^{(5+p)}} \left(\frac{4}{\pi}\right)^{(3+p)} \quad (18)$$

Likewise, the Hedstrom number, equation (2), was combined with N_{Re} to form

$$N_{He} N_{Re}^2 = \frac{g_c \tau_y \dot{m}^2 \rho}{\eta^4} \left(\frac{4}{\pi}\right)^2 \quad (19)$$

There was found to be a definite relationship between N_{Re} , $N_{He} N_{Re}^2$, and $f N_{Re}^{(5+p)}$. Knowing the relationship between N_{Re} , N_{He} , and f , the chart in figure V, page 17, was generated on the computer (see the program on pages 29 - 31). Knowing ψ and all the fluid parameters of a system

except D, equations (18) and (19) can be used to calculate $f N_{Re}^{(5+p)}$ and $N_{He} N_{Re}^2$. From the chart N_{Re} can be easily found, which specifies the OEPD to use.

All lines of $N_{He} N_{Re}^2$ have the same asymptote. It was interesting to note that the asymptote corresponded to turbulent flow, and laminar flow occurs where the $N_{He} N_{Re}^2$ line branches off.

Example 1.

Consider the case where the OEPD is wanted to pump a Bingham plastic at a rate of 200,000 lb_m/hr. The following fluid properties are known:

$$\rho = 100 \text{ lb}_m/\text{ft}^3$$

$$\eta = 0.1 \text{ lb}_m/(\text{ft sec})$$

$$\tau_y = 0.23 \text{ lb}_f/\text{ft}^2$$

Using equation (18) and (19)

$$f N_{Re}^{(5+p)} = 7.816 \times 10^{16} \Rightarrow \sqrt[6]{f N_{Re}^{(5+p)}} = 653.9$$

$$N_{He} N_{Re}^2 = 2.78 \times 10^{10}$$

On figure V, 654 was found on the abscissa and followed up to the point where $N_{He} N_{Re}^2$ would be approximately 2.8×10^{10} . This point corresponded to

$$\sqrt{N_{Re}} = 25 \Rightarrow N_{Re} = 625$$

From the definition of N_{Re} , equation (1), D was calculated.

$$D = 1.132 \text{ ft}$$

To confirm this result, the answer was checked with equation (12). Equation (2) was used to calculate N_{He} .

$$N_{\text{He}} = 7.117 \times 10^4$$

The friction factor was found from N_{Re} and N_{He} using either figure III or equation (14).

$$f = 0.38$$

Plugging this value into equation (12) gave

$$D = 1.132 \text{ ft}$$

This shows that figure V agrees with equation (12).

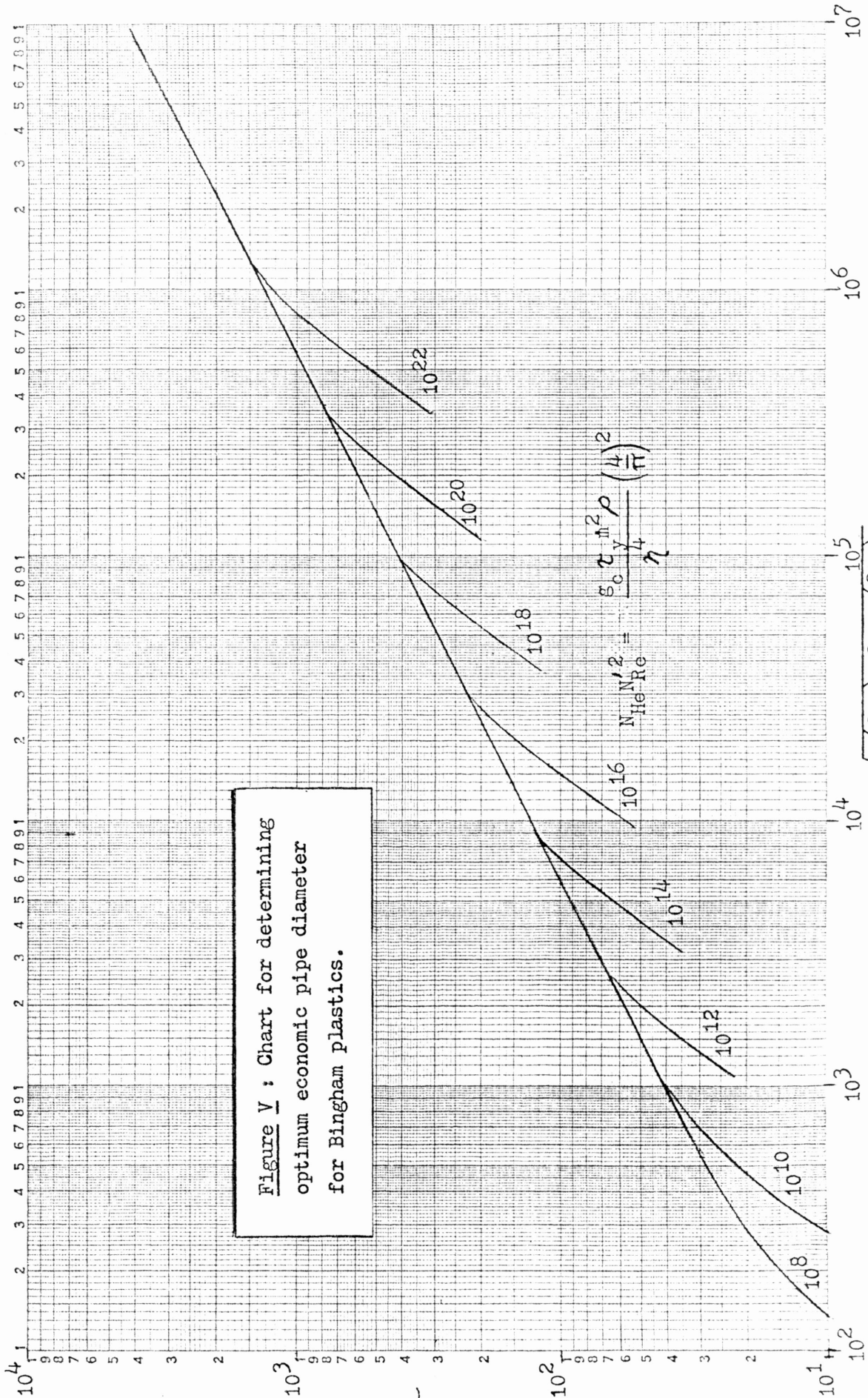


Figure V : Chart for determining optimum economic pipe diameter for Bingham plastics.

p = 1.193

Pseudoplastics

The case for pseudoplastics was handled in much the same way as Bingham plastics. However, it was not necessary to derive an equation for the friction factor since correlations already existed. Equations (8) and (9) were used.

Again, two dimensionless variables independent of D were used to determine N_{Re} . One of these variables was simply n' . The other variable was evaluated by combining equation (17) with the generalized Reynold's number, equation (7).

$$f^{(4-3n')} N_{Re}^{(5+p)} = \frac{\rho^{[3-p+(p-1)n']}}{\psi^{(4-3n')}} \frac{\dot{m}^{[2p-2+(4-p)n']}}{K' (5+p)} \frac{[2+2p+(1-p)n']}{g^{(5+p)} (n'-1)} \left(\frac{4}{\pi}\right) \quad (20)$$

The relationship between N_{Re} , n' , and $f^{(4-3n')} N_{Re}^{(5+p)}$ is shown in figure VI, page 20. This chart was generated by the computer program on pages 32 - 36. As with the previous case, equation (20) can be evaluated without the diameter of the pipeline. With this and n' , figure VI can be used to find N_{Re} , and from this D can be calculated.

Example 2.

It was necessary to find the OEPD with which to pump 200,000 lb_m/hr of a pseudoplastic. The fluid properties are shown below.

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= 100 \text{ lb}_m/\text{ft}^3 \\ K' &= 0.5 \text{ lb}_m \text{ sec}^{(n'-2)} \text{ ft}^{-1} \\ n' &= 0.6 \end{aligned}$$

Using equation (20),

$$f^{(4-3n)} N_{Re}^{(5+p)} = 1.183 \times 10^{14}$$

$$\sqrt[6]{f^{(4-3n)} N_{Re}^{(5+p)}} = 221.6$$

On figure VI, 221.6 was found on the abscissa and followed up to the line for $n'=0.6$. This point corresponded to N_{Re} on the ordinate.

$$\sqrt{N_{Re}} = 26.5 \quad \Rightarrow \quad N_{Re} = 702.25$$

The diameter was then found using equation (7).

$$D = 0.6616 \text{ ft}$$

Again, this result was compared with equation (12). Since N_{Re} was so low, equation (8) was used to calculate the laminar friction factor.

$$f = 0.0228$$

When this value was plugged into equation (12), the result was

$$D = 0.6552 \text{ ft}$$

This represented a difference of less than 1%, proving the method.

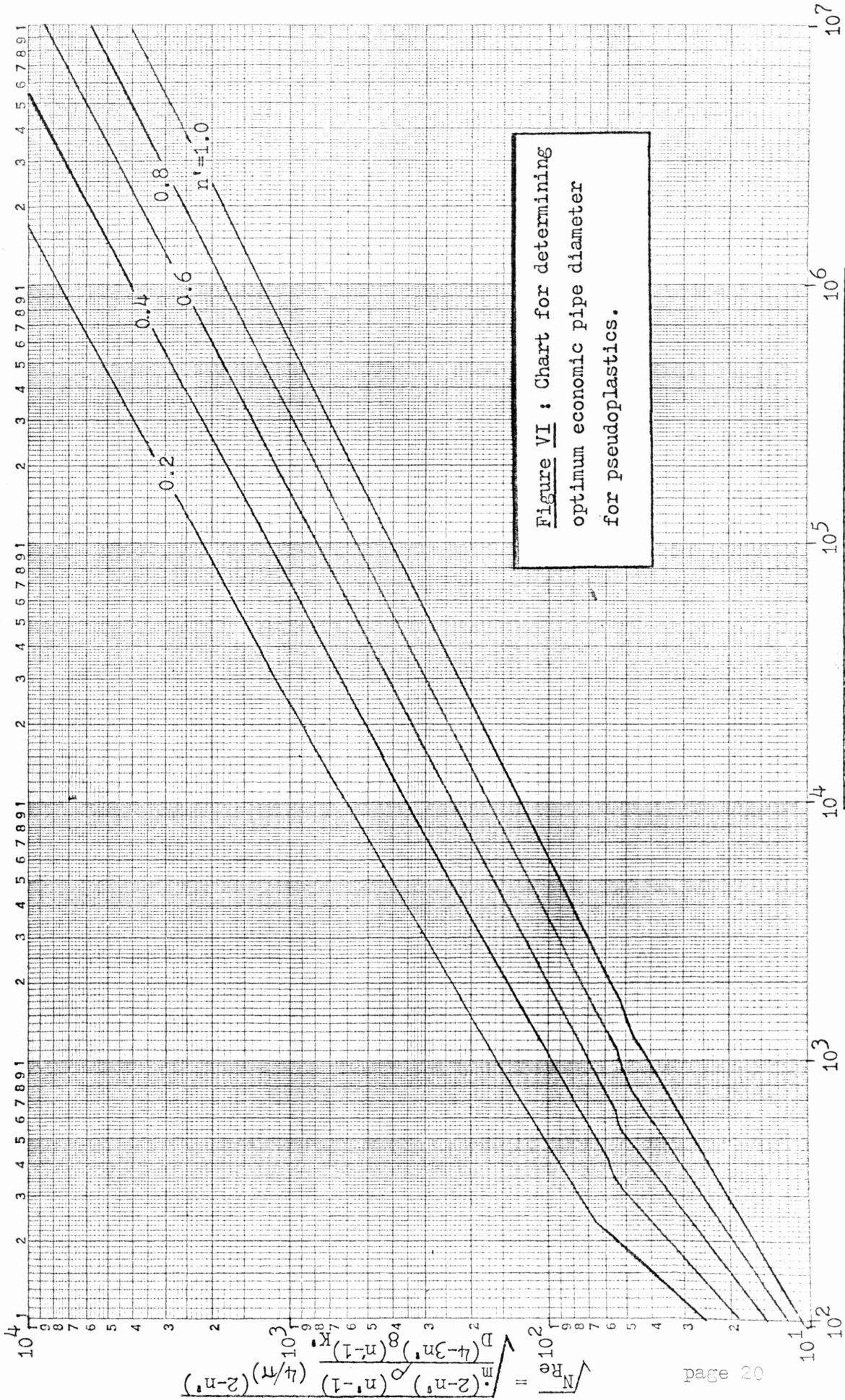


Figure VI : Chart for determining optimum economic pipe diameter for pseudoplastics.

$$6 \sqrt{f(4-3n') N_{Re}^{(5+p)}} = \sqrt{\frac{6 \left[\frac{3-p+(p-1)n'}{K'} \right] \cdot [2p-2+(4-p)n']}{\psi(4-3n') K' (5+p) 8 (5+p)(n'-1)}} \cdot \left(\frac{4}{\pi} \right) [2+2p+(1-p)n']$$

p = 1.193

CONCLUSION

Even though equation (14) is not valid for cases where ^{both} N_{He} is less than 1000 and N_{Re} is greater than 2100, the asymptotic line in figure V is identical to the line in figure VI for Newtonian fluids; i.e., $n'=1.0$. This implies that figure V is even good for Hedstrom numbers down to zero.

Figures V and VI were actually generated without using the economic variables. Therefore, the plots will be accurate regardless of the value for Ψ . If the value for Ψ presented here is unacceptable, a new value for Ψ can be calculated from equation (13) and figures V and VI can still be used. A change in the value for p will affect the charts some, but not much since p generally only varies from 1.0 to 1.5.

It would be impossible to prove the results of this report industrially; i.e., to construct pipelines of several diameters and see which one operates most economically. However, each part of the method has been proven by previous investigators and are accepted by the engineering community. It was reasonably assumed that if each step was correct, the combination of the steps would also be correct.

With figures V and VI, the engineer now has a simple method with which to calculate the optimum economic pipe diameter for a non-Newtonian fluid. These results are shown in this form for the first time and are very useful in a world where most fluids are not ideally Newtonian.

APPENDIX A : Data for Determining Economic Variables

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Subject: Summaries of Pipeline Installation and
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Dear Ron:

Enclosed are summaries of pipeline installation and pump station costs that I promised you sometimes ago. Please excuse the long delay; my excuse is that I have been traveling out of the country quite a bit lately and just could not get around to finishing the work. The notes to these studies are self-explanatory. These costs are fairly representative of the cost trends that exist at the present time and on the conservative side, however they should be suitable for feasibility studies. Please let me know if you require any more information or further clarification and details of these costs.

Yours very truly,

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NORMAL PIPELINE INSTALLATION COSTS
(\$/MILE-1980 \$)

Nom. Diam.	ANSI 300# (720 PSIG)	ANSI 400# (960 PSIG)	ANSI 600# (1440 PSIG)	ANSI 900# (2160 PSIG)	ANSI 1500# (3600 PSIG)
4"	38,500	38,500	46,600	59,500	77,100
6"	55,100	55,100	62,300	74,900	103,100
8"	70,400	70,400	87,400	108,100	150,700
10"	94,000	95,900	113,400	152,500	212,900
12"	118,600	122,200	149,300	190,600	281,900
14"	141,800	144,700	174,000	209,900	310,100
16"	161,600	166,700	203,000	256,000	392,200
18"	184,800	192,400	241,700	311,800	478,700
20"	207,700	216,100	294,600	367,500	542,100
22"	229,800	239,500	344,500	425,800	683,500
24"	248,800	261,900	391,000	501,600	776,500
26"	289,100	322,700	428,100	593,900	865,800
30"	351,400	391,600	517,000	715,900	-
32"	372,800	416,500	513,600	826,900	-
34"	417,200	463,300	648,300	859,600	-
36"	456,200	511,200	683,300	-	-

Notes

- (1) Does not include cost of major river crossings but does include small stream crossings.
- (2) Pipe required includes a 20-mil corrosion and erosion allowance.
- (3) Installed Cost Assumptions
 - (a) Length of pipeline at least 125 miles.
 - (b) Flat to rolling terrain with some rock.
 - (c) Normal valve spacing.
 - (d) On-stream pigging facilities provided.
 - (e) Population centers avoided to provide for type I construction except road, highway and RR crossings.
- (4) Impressed current cathodic protection system included.
- (5) Plasticized coal tar with reinforced felt inner wrap and reinforced kraft paper external wrap.
- (6) Costs do not include a communications and "Scada" system.
- (7) Costs include hydrostatic testing and dewatering.
- (8) All wall thicknesses for pipe are standard to 1/64".

NORMAL PUMPING STATION COSTS
(1980 \$)

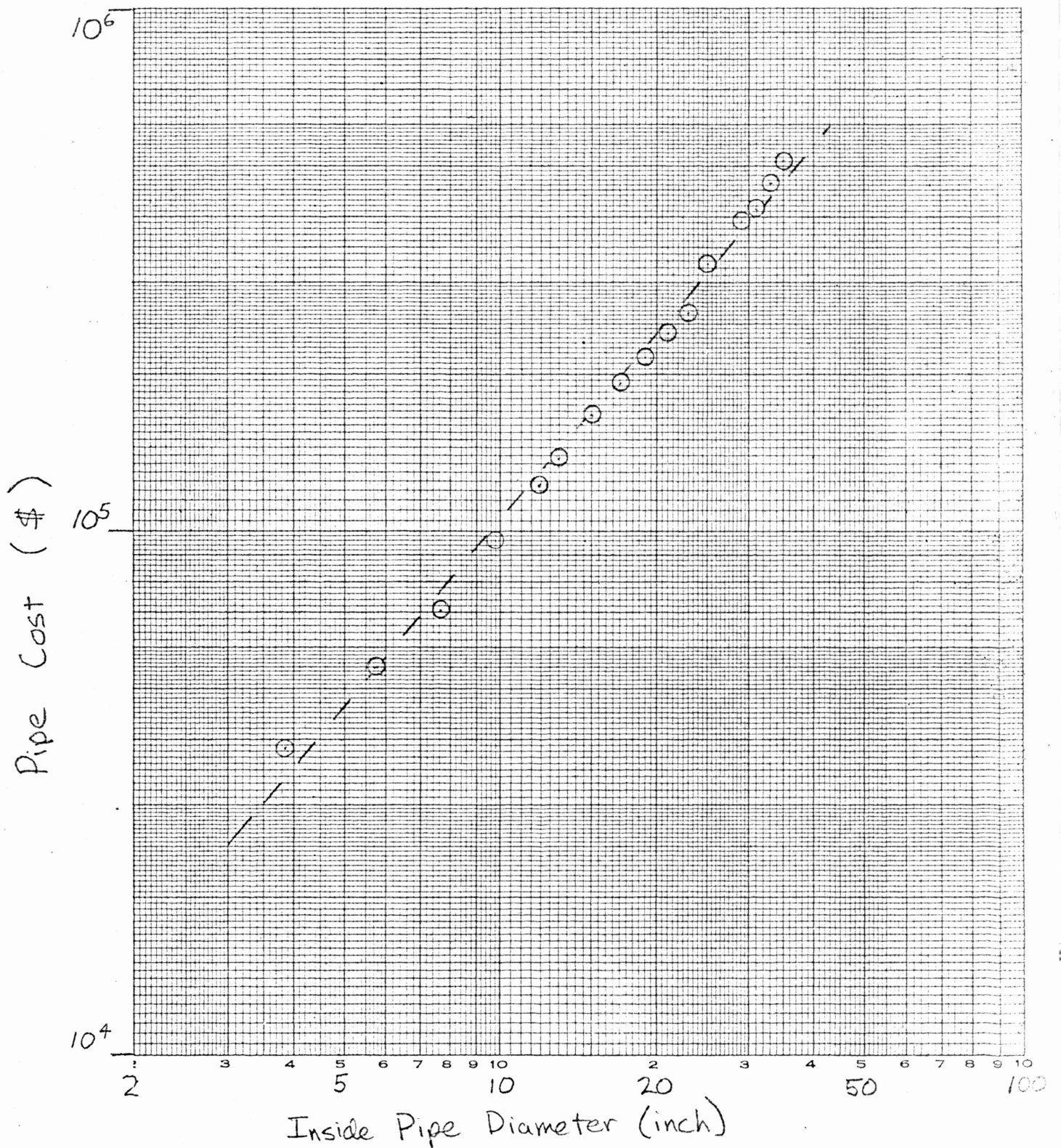
Station HP	\$/HP		Median
	Low (1)	High (2)	
0-100	700	1000	850 <i>85,000</i>
500	650	940	800 <i>400,000</i>
1000	600	840	720 <i>720,000</i>
1500	500	750	625 <i>937,500</i>
2000	410	650	530 <i>1,060,000</i>
2500	400	640	520 <i>1,300,000</i>
3000	390	630	510 <i>1,530,000</i>
3500	380	620	500 <i>1,750,000</i>
4000	365	615	490 <i>1,960,000</i>
5000	365	610	480 <i>2,400,000</i>
5000 & Over	350	610	480 <i>2.4</i>

Notes

- (1) Electric motor driven reciprocating units includes all electrical switch gear and controls but does not include power sub-station.
- (2) Diesel engine driven reciprocating units includes fuel fuel system and storage tanks and shutdown and control panels.
- (3) Includes pump, driver, pulsation dampeners, recirculation system, check valves, suction and discharge valves, duplex suction strainer, pump and driver skids, reduction system and coupling, foundations, instrumentation etc.
- (4) Although these costs are for reciprocating pump installations, the same costs would be applicable to centrifugal installations with only minor cost differences.

Figure VII:

Cost of 400# ANSI pipe



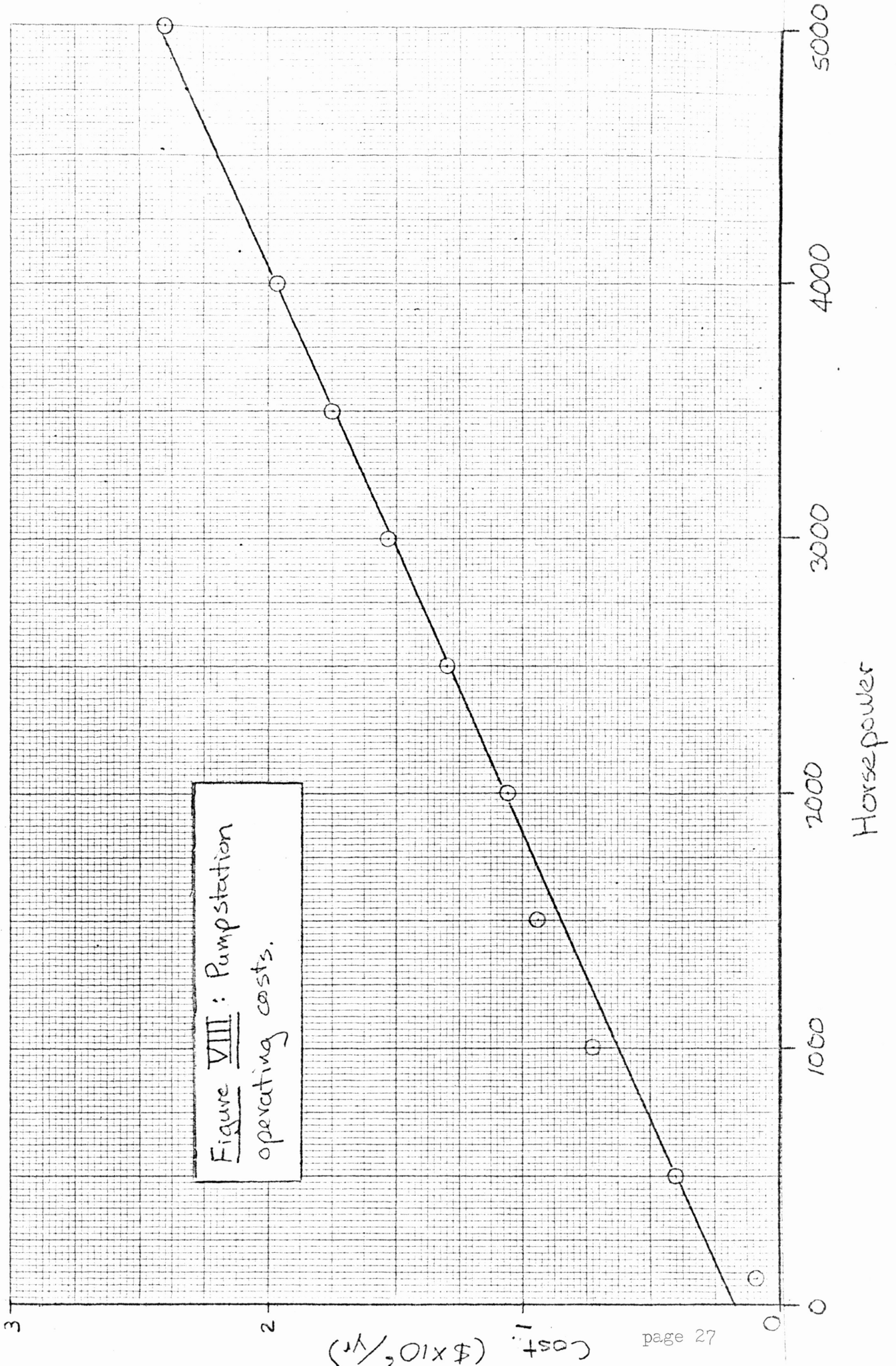


Figure VIII: Pump station operating costs.

APPENDIX B : Computer Programs

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//BINGHAM JOB (X007,301E,S02,002,JM),*MELSON
//*MAIN USER=U255$JM,ORG=ZCC
//*TAMU HOLDOUT
//*PASSWORD*****
//*WATFIV

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1 REAL NREY,NHED,NR
2 WRITE (6,90)
3 90 FORMAT('1',*NHED*NREY**2 NREY',7X,*NHED',8X,*FF',4X,
4 X*FF*NREY**P',1X,*SQRT(NREY)',2X,* (FNREP)**1/6')
5 F=6.192735
6 FF=0.
7 VAR =1.E24
8 DO 10 I=1,11
9 VAR=VAR/100.
10 NREY=SQRT(VAR/250.)
11 DO 9 J=1,20
12 NREY=NREY/2
13 NHED=VAR/NREY**2
14 CALL FRICT(NREY,NHED,FF)
15 FNREP=FF*NREY**P
16 ROOT=FNREP**(1./6.)
17 NR=SQRT(NREY)
18 WRITE (6,100)VAR,NREY,NHED,FF,FNREP,NR,ROOT
19 100 FORMAT(' ',3E10.3,F7.4,E10.3,2E10.3)
20 IF (FF.GT.15.)GOTO 10
21 9 CONTINUE
22 10 CONTINUE
23 WRITE (6,120)
24 120 FORMAT('1')
25 STOP
END

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26 SUBROUTINE FRICT(NREY,NHED,FF)
27 REAL MSFLW,NREY,NHED
28 PI=3.141592
29 FL1=0.1
30 2 FL=16./NREY*(1.+NHED/(NREY*6.)-NHED**4/(NREY**7*3*FL1**3))
31 IF (ABS((FL-FL1)/FL).LT.1.E-5)GOTO 6
32 FL1=FL
33 GOTO 2
34 6 IF (NHED.GT.4.E5)GOTO 8
35 X=10.**(-.2012*EXP(-2.9E-5*NHED))
36 GOTO 9
37 8 X=1
38 9 FT=.04188*X/NREY**.193
39 GAMMA=1.7+4.E4/NREY
40 IF (GAMMA.GT.15.)GAMMA=15.
41 FF=(FL**GAMMA+FT**GAMMA)**(1./GAMMA)
42 RETURN
43 END

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//$DATA

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NHED	*NREY**2	NREY	NHED	FF	FF*NREY**P	SQRT(NREY)	(FNREP)**1/6					
0.100E	23	0.316E	10	0.100E	04	0.00004	0.265E	56	0.562E	05	0.173E	10
0.100E	23	0.158E	10	0.400E	04	0.00005	0.431E	54	0.398E	05	0.869E	09
0.100E	23	0.791E	09	0.160E	05	0.00006	0.760E	52	0.281E	05	0.443E	09
0.100E	23	0.395E	09	0.640E	05	0.00009	0.148E	51	0.199E	05	0.230E	09
0.100E	23	0.198E	09	0.256E	06	0.00010	0.248E	49	0.141E	05	0.116E	09
0.100E	23	0.988E	08	0.102E	07	0.00012	0.388E	47	0.994E	04	0.582E	08
0.100E	23	0.494E	08	0.410E	07	0.00014	0.607E	45	0.703E	04	0.291E	08
0.100E	23	0.247E	08	0.164E	08	0.00016	0.948E	43	0.497E	04	0.145E	08
0.100E	23	0.124E	08	0.655E	08	0.00018	0.148E	42	0.351E	04	0.727E	07
0.100E	23	0.618E	07	0.262E	09	0.00020	0.232E	40	0.249E	04	0.364E	07
0.100E	23	0.309E	07	0.105E	10	0.00024	0.366E	38	0.176E	04	0.182E	07
0.100E	23	0.154E	07	0.419E	10	0.00048	0.101E	37	0.124E	04	0.100E	07
0.100E	23	0.772E	06	0.168E	11	0.00573	0.165E	36	0.879E	03	0.741E	06
0.100E	23	0.386E	06	0.671E	11	0.90555	0.358E	35	0.621E	03	0.574E	06
0.100E	23	0.193E	06	0.268E	12	14.4510	0.780E	34	0.439E	03	0.445E	06
0.100E	23	0.965E	05	0.107E	13	*****	0.171E	34	0.311E	03	0.346E	06
0.100E	21	0.316E	09	0.100E	04	0.00006	0.266E	50	0.178E	05	0.173E	09
0.100E	21	0.158E	09	0.400E	04	0.00007	0.431E	48	0.126E	05	0.869E	08
0.100E	21	0.791E	08	0.160E	05	0.00009	0.760E	46	0.889E	04	0.443E	08
0.100E	21	0.395E	08	0.640E	05	0.00013	0.148E	45	0.629E	04	0.230E	08
0.100E	21	0.198E	08	0.256E	06	0.00016	0.248E	43	0.445E	04	0.116E	08
0.100E	21	0.988E	07	0.102E	07	0.00019	0.388E	41	0.314E	04	0.582E	07
0.100E	21	0.494E	07	0.410E	07	0.00021	0.607E	39	0.222E	04	0.291E	07
0.100E	21	0.247E	07	0.164E	08	0.00024	0.949E	37	0.157E	04	0.145E	07
0.100E	21	0.124E	07	0.655E	08	0.00028	0.149E	36	0.111E	04	0.728E	06
0.100E	21	0.618E	06	0.262E	09	0.00037	0.265E	34	0.786E	03	0.372E	06
0.100E	21	0.309E	06	0.105E	10	0.0232	0.230E	33	0.556E	03	0.248E	06
0.100E	21	0.154E	06	0.419E	10	0.3562	0.483E	32	0.393E	03	0.191E	06
0.100E	21	0.772E	05	0.168E	11	5.6568	0.105E	32	0.278E	03	0.148E	06
0.100E	21	0.386E	05	0.671E	11	90.3139	0.229E	31	0.196E	03	0.115E	06
0.100E	19	0.316E	08	0.100E	04	0.00010	0.266E	44	0.562E	04	0.173E	08
0.100E	19	0.158E	08	0.400E	04	0.00011	0.431E	42	0.398E	04	0.869E	07
0.100E	19	0.791E	07	0.160E	05	0.00015	0.761E	40	0.281E	04	0.443E	07
0.100E	19	0.395E	07	0.640E	05	0.00021	0.148E	39	0.199E	04	0.230E	07
0.100E	19	0.198E	07	0.256E	06	0.00026	0.249E	37	0.141E	04	0.116E	07
0.100E	19	0.988E	06	0.102E	07	0.00029	0.389E	35	0.994E	03	0.582E	06
0.100E	19	0.494E	06	0.410E	07	0.00033	0.608E	33	0.703E	03	0.291E	06
0.100E	19	0.247E	06	0.164E	08	0.00039	0.971E	31	0.497E	03	0.146E	06
0.100E	19	0.124E	06	0.655E	08	0.0103	0.351E	30	0.351E	03	0.840E	05
0.100E	19	0.618E	05	0.262E	09	0.1418	0.660E	29	0.249E	03	0.636E	05
0.100E	19	0.309E	05	0.105E	10	2.2235	0.141E	29	0.176E	03	0.492E	05
0.100E	19	0.154E	05	0.419E	10	35.3407	0.307E	28	0.124E	03	0.381E	05
0.100E	17	0.316E	07	0.100E	04	0.00015	0.266E	38	0.178E	04	0.173E	07
0.100E	17	0.158E	07	0.400E	04	0.00018	0.432E	36	0.126E	04	0.869E	06
0.100E	17	0.791E	06	0.160E	05	0.00023	0.761E	34	0.889E	03	0.444E	06
0.100E	17	0.395E	06	0.640E	05	0.00032	0.148E	33	0.629E	03	0.230E	06
0.100E	17	0.198E	06	0.256E	06	0.00040	0.249E	31	0.445E	03	0.116E	06
0.100E	17	0.988E	05	0.102E	07	0.00046	0.390E	29	0.314E	03	0.582E	05
0.100E	17	0.494E	05	0.410E	07	0.00063	0.733E	27	0.222E	03	0.300E	05
0.100E	17	0.247E	05	0.164E	08	0.0581	0.929E	26	0.157E	03	0.213E	05
0.100E	17	0.124E	05	0.655E	08	0.8832	0.193E	26	0.111E	03	0.164E	05
0.100E	17	0.618E	04	0.262E	09	13.8815	0.414E	25	0.786E	02	0.127E	05
0.100E	17	0.309E	04	0.105E	10	*****	0.901E	24	0.556E	02	0.983E	04
0.100E	15	0.316E	06	0.100E	04	0.00023	0.266E	32	0.562E	03	0.173E	06
0.100E	15	0.158E	06	0.400E	04	0.00028	0.432E	30	0.398E	03	0.870E	05
0.100E	15	0.791E	05	0.160E	05	0.00036	0.762E	28	0.281E	03	0.444E	05
0.100E	15	0.395E	05	0.640E	05	0.00051	0.148E	27	0.199E	03	0.230E	05
0.100E	15	0.198E	05	0.256E	06	0.00063	0.251E	25	0.141E	03	0.117E	05
0.100E	15	0.988E	04	0.102E	07	0.0259	0.142E	24	0.994E	02	0.722E	04

0.100E	15	0.494E	04	0.410E	07	0.3603	0.270E	23	0.703E	02	0.548E	04
0.100E	15	0.247E	04	0.164E	08	5.5038	0.564E	22	0.497E	02	0.422E	04
0.100E	15	0.124E	04	0.655E	08	86.6721	0.121E	22	0.351E	02	0.327E	04
0.100E	13	0.316E	05	0.100E	04	0.0036	0.267E	26	0.178E	03	0.173E	05
0.100E	13	0.158E	05	0.400E	04	0.0043	0.432E	24	0.126E	03	0.870E	04
0.100E	13	0.791E	04	0.160E	05	0.0055	0.763E	22	0.889E	02	0.444E	04
0.100E	13	0.395E	04	0.640E	05	0.0145	0.273E	21	0.629E	02	0.255E	04
0.100E	13	0.198E	04	0.256E	06	0.1578	0.406E	20	0.445E	02	0.185E	04
0.100E	13	0.988E	03	0.102E	07	2.2345	0.786E	19	0.314E	02	0.141E	04
0.100E	13	0.494E	03	0.410E	07	34.3087	0.165E	19	0.222E	02	0.109E	04
0.100E	11	0.316E	04	0.100E	04	0.0058	0.273E	20	0.562E	02	0.174E	04
0.100E	11	0.158E	04	0.400E	04	0.0144	0.929E	18	0.398E	02	0.988E	03
0.100E	11	0.791E	03	0.160E	05	0.0847	0.749E	17	0.281E	02	0.649E	03
0.100E	11	0.395E	03	0.640E	05	0.9664	0.117E	17	0.199E	02	0.476E	03
0.100E	11	0.198E	03	0.256E	06	13.8708	0.229E	16	0.141E	02	0.363E	03
0.100E	11	0.988E	02	0.102E	07	*****	0.483E	15	0.994E	01	0.280E	03
0.100E	09	0.316E	03	0.100E	04	0.0771	0.234E	15	0.178E	02	0.248E	03
0.100E	09	0.158E	03	0.400E	04	0.4999	0.207E	14	0.126E	02	0.166E	03
0.100E	09	0.791E	02	0.160E	05	5.9313	0.336E	13	0.889E	01	0.122E	03
0.100E	09	0.395E	02	0.640E	05	86.1684	0.668E	12	0.629E	01	0.935E	02
0.100E	07	0.316E	02	0.100E	04	2.9688	0.578E	10	0.562E	01	0.424E	02
0.100E	07	0.158E	02	0.400E	04	36.4777	0.970E	09	0.398E	01	0.315E	02
0.100E	05	0.316E	01	0.100E	04	*****	0.281E	06	0.178E	01	0.809E	01
0.100E	03	0.316E	00	0.100E	04	*****	0.166E	02	0.562E	00	0.160E	01

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//PSEUDO JOB (U255,301E,S02,002,JM),'MELSON'
//*MAIN      USER=U255$JM,ORG=ZCC
//*PASSWORD*****
//*WATFIV
1  REAL N,NREY
2  P=6.192735
3  N=1.1
4  WRITE (6,100)
5  100 FORMAT('1', ' NREY',9X,'FF',8X,'FNRE')
6  DO 10 I=1,9
7  N=N-.1
8  WRITE (6,110)N
9  110 FORMAT(' N = ',F3.1)
10 NREY=2.E8
11 DO 20 J=1,24
12 NREY=NREY/2.
13 CALL FRICT(N,NREY,FF)
14 FNRE=FF**(.4-.3.*N)*NREY**P
15 WRITE (6,120)NREY,FF,FNRE
16 120 FORMAT(' ',E11.4,3X,F6.4,E14.4)
17 20 CONTINUE
18 10 CONTINUE
19 STOP
20 END

21 SUBROUTINE FRICT(N,NREY,FF)
22 REAL N,NREY
23 FL=16./NREY
24 IF(NREY.LT.2000)GOTO 10
25 FT=.01
26 1 T=4./N**(.75*ALOG10(NREY*FT**((1.-N/2.)))-.4/N**1.2
27 FT1=(1./T)**2
28 IF(ABS((FT1-FT)/FT1).LT.1.E-5)GOTO 2
29 FT=FT1
30 GOTO 1
31 2 IF(NREY.GT.4000)GOTO 12
32 FTRANS=NREY**1.329*10.**(.6*N-7.14)
33 IF(FL.GT.FTRANS)GOTO 10
34 IF(FT1.LT.FTRANS)GOTO 12
35 FF=FTRANS
36 RETURN
37 10 FF=FL
38 RETURN
39 12 FF=FT1
40 RETURN
41 END

//$DATA

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NREY		FF	FNRE
N = 1.0			
0.1000E 09	0.00015	0.5174E 47	
0.5000E 08	0.00016	0.7730E 45	
0.2500E 08	0.00018	0.1159E 44	
0.1250E 08	0.00020	0.1746E 42	
0.6250E 07	0.00022	0.2642E 40	
0.3125E 07	0.00024	0.4017E 38	
0.1563E 07	0.00027	0.6142E 36	
0.7813E 06	0.00030	0.9448E 34	
0.3906E 06	0.00034	0.1463E 33	
0.1953E 06	0.00039	0.2283E 31	
0.9766E 05	0.00045	0.3592E 29	
0.4883E 05	0.00053	0.5704E 27	
0.2441E 05	0.00062	0.9157E 25	
0.1221E 05	0.00073	0.1488E 24	
0.6104E 04	0.00088	0.2452E 22	
0.3052E 04	0.0108	0.4108E 20	
0.1526E 04	0.0105	0.5436E 18	
0.7629E 03	0.0210	0.1486E 17	
0.3815E 03	0.0419	0.4064E 15	
0.1907E 03	0.0839	0.1111E 14	
0.9537E 02	0.1678	0.3038E 12	
0.4768E 02	0.3355	0.8307E 10	
0.2384E 02	0.6711	0.2271E 09	
0.1192E 02	1.3422	0.6210E 07	
N = 0.9			
0.1000E 09	0.00013	0.6403E 46	
0.5000E 08	0.00015	0.9846E 44	
0.2500E 08	0.00016	0.1522E 43	
0.1250E 08	0.00018	0.2366E 41	
0.6250E 07	0.00020	0.3700E 39	
0.3125E 07	0.00022	0.5826E 37	
0.1563E 07	0.00025	0.9240E 35	
0.7813E 06	0.00028	0.1478E 34	
0.3906E 06	0.00032	0.2384E 32	
0.1953E 06	0.00036	0.3885E 30	
0.9766E 05	0.00042	0.6404E 28	
0.4883E 05	0.00049	0.1069E 27	
0.2441E 05	0.00057	0.1810E 25	
0.1221E 05	0.00068	0.3116E 23	
0.6104E 04	0.00083	0.5466E 21	
0.3052E 04	0.0102	0.9800E 19	
0.1526E 04	0.0105	0.1385E 18	
0.7629E 03	0.0210	0.4662E 16	
0.3815E 03	0.0419	0.1569E 15	
0.1907E 03	0.0839	0.5283E 13	
0.9537E 02	0.1678	0.1778E 12	
0.4768E 02	0.3355	0.5987E 10	
0.2384E 02	0.6711	0.2015E 09	
0.1192E 02	1.3422	0.6784E 07	
N = 0.8			
0.1000E 09	0.00012	0.7275E 45	
0.5000E 08	0.00013	0.1153E 44	
0.2500E 08	0.00014	0.1839E 42	
0.1250E 08	0.00016	0.2955E 40	
0.6250E 07	0.00018	0.4786E 38	
0.3125E 07	0.00020	0.7816E 36	
0.1563E 07	0.00022	0.1288E 35	
0.7813E 06	0.00025	0.2146E 33	

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0.3906E	06	0.0029	0.3616E	31
0.1953E	06	0.0033	0.6172E	29
0.9766E	05	0.0038	0.1069E	28
0.4883E	05	0.0045	0.1880E	26
0.2441E	05	0.0053	0.3370E	24
0.1221E	05	0.0063	0.6166E	22
0.6104E	04	0.0077	0.1156E	21
0.3052E	04	0.0094	0.2150E	19
0.1526E	04	0.0105	0.3529E	17
0.7629E	03	0.0210	0.1463E	16
0.3815E	03	0.0419	0.6061E	14
0.1907E	03	0.0839	0.2512E	13
0.9537E	02	0.1678	0.1041E	12
0.4768E	02	0.3355	0.4314E	10
0.2384E	02	0.6711	0.1788E	09
0.1192E	02	1.3422	0.7410E	07
N = 0.7				
0.1000E	09	0.0010	0.7438E	44
0.5000E	08	0.0011	0.1217E	43
0.2500E	08	0.0013	0.2007E	41
0.1250E	08	0.0014	0.3339E	39
0.6250E	07	0.0016	0.5610E	37
0.3125E	07	0.0017	0.9524E	35
0.1563E	07	0.0020	0.1636E	34
0.7813E	06	0.0022	0.2845E	32
0.3906E	06	0.0026	0.5021E	30
0.1953E	06	0.0029	0.9000E	28
0.9766E	05	0.0034	0.1642E	27
0.4883E	05	0.0040	0.3057E	25
0.2441E	05	0.0048	0.5822E	23
0.1221E	05	0.0058	0.1138E	22
0.6104E	04	0.0071	0.2291E	20
0.3052E	04	0.0081	0.4071E	18
0.1526E	04	0.0105	0.8992E	16
0.7629E	03	0.0210	0.4588E	15
0.3815E	03	0.0419	0.2341E	14
0.1907E	03	0.0839	0.1194E	13
0.9537E	02	0.1678	0.6093E	11
0.4768E	02	0.3355	0.3109E	10
0.2384E	02	0.6711	0.1586E	09
0.1192E	02	1.3422	0.8094E	07
N = 0.6				
0.1000E	09	0.0009	0.6649E	43
0.5000E	08	0.0010	0.1125E	42
0.2500E	08	0.0011	0.1923E	40
0.1250E	08	0.0012	0.3321E	38
0.6250E	07	0.0013	0.5802E	36
0.3125E	07	0.0015	0.1027E	35
0.1563E	07	0.0017	0.1843E	33
0.7813E	06	0.0019	0.3358E	31
0.3906E	06	0.0022	0.6227E	29
0.1953E	06	0.0026	0.1177E	28
0.9766E	05	0.0030	0.2273E	26
0.4883E	05	0.0036	0.4499E	24
0.2441E	05	0.0043	0.9151E	22
0.1221E	05	0.0052	0.1921E	21
0.6104E	04	0.0064	0.4179E	19
0.3052E	04	0.0071	0.7096E	17
0.1526E	04	0.0105	0.2291E	16
0.7629E	03	0.0210	0.1439E	15

0.3815E	03	0.0419	0.9040E	13
0.1907E	03	0.0839	0.5678E	12
0.9537E	02	0.1678	0.3567E	11
0.4768E	02	0.3355	0.2241E	10
0.2384E	02	0.6711	0.1407E	09
0.1192E	02	1.3422	0.8841E	07

N = 0.5

0.1000E	09	0.0007	0.4977E	42
0.5000E	08	0.0008	0.8735E	40
0.2500E	08	0.0009	0.1551E	39
0.1250E	08	0.0010	0.2789E	37
0.6250E	07	0.0011	0.5085E	35
0.3125E	07	0.0013	0.9413E	33
0.1563E	07	0.0014	0.1772E	32
0.7813E	06	0.0016	0.3398E	30
0.3906E	06	0.0019	0.6654E	28
0.1953E	06	0.0022	0.1333E	27
0.9766E	05	0.0026	0.2741E	25
0.4883E	05	0.0031	0.5802E	23
0.2441E	05	0.0037	0.1270E	22
0.1221E	05	0.0046	0.2885E	20
0.6104E	04	0.0057	0.6844E	18
0.3052E	04	0.0062	0.1138E	17
0.1526E	04	0.0105	0.5837E	15
0.7629E	03	0.0210	0.4514E	14
0.3815E	03	0.0419	0.3491E	13
0.1907E	03	0.0839	0.2700E	12
0.9537E	02	0.1678	0.2088E	11
0.4768E	02	0.3355	0.1615E	10
0.2384E	02	0.6711	0.1249E	09
0.1192E	02	1.3422	0.9657E	07

N = 0.4

0.1000E	09	0.0006	0.2909E	41
0.5000E	08	0.0006	0.5313E	39
0.2500E	08	0.0007	0.9841E	37
0.1250E	08	0.0008	0.1850E	36
0.6250E	07	0.0009	0.3537E	34
0.3125E	07	0.0010	0.6884E	32
0.1563E	07	0.0012	0.1367E	31
0.7813E	06	0.0013	0.2776E	29
0.3906E	06	0.0016	0.5778E	27
0.1953E	06	0.0018	0.1236E	26
0.9766E	05	0.0022	0.2728E	24
0.4883E	05	0.0026	0.6235E	22
0.2441E	05	0.0032	0.1483E	21
0.1221E	05	0.0039	0.3688E	19
0.6104E	04	0.0049	0.9662E	17
0.3052E	04	0.0054	0.1681E	16
0.1526E	04	0.0105	0.1487E	15
0.7629E	03	0.0210	0.1416E	14
0.3815E	03	0.0419	0.1348E	13
0.1907E	03	0.0839	0.1284E	12
0.9537E	02	0.1678	0.1222E	11
0.4768E	02	0.3355	0.1164E	10
0.2384E	02	0.6711	0.1108E	09
0.1192E	02	1.3422	0.1055E	08

N = 0.3

0.1000E	09	0.0004	0.1169E	40
0.5000E	08	0.0005	0.2235E	38
0.2500E	08	0.0005	0.4345E	36

0.1250E 08	0.00006	0.8599E 34
0.6250E 07	0.00007	0.1736E 33
0.3125E 07	0.00008	0.3581E 31
0.1563E 07	0.00009	0.7569E 29
0.7813E 06	0.00010	0.1643E 28
0.3906E 06	0.00012	0.3674E 26
0.1953E 06	0.00014	0.8494E 24
0.9766E 05	0.00017	0.2039E 23
0.4883E 05	0.00021	0.5105E 21
0.2441E 05	0.00025	0.1341E 20
0.1221E 05	0.00032	0.3719E 18
0.6104E 04	0.00041	0.1098E 17
0.3052E 04	0.00052	0.3233E 15
0.1526E 04	0.00105	0.3789E 14
0.7629E 03	0.00210	0.4442E 13
0.3815E 03	0.00419	0.5206E 12
0.1907E 03	0.00839	0.6103E 11
0.9537E 02	0.1678	0.7154E 10
0.4768E 02	0.3355	0.8385E 09
0.2384E 02	0.6711	0.9829E 08
0.1192E 02	1.3422	0.1152E 08
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0.5000E 08	0.00003	0.4975E 36
0.2500E 08	0.00003	0.1026E 35
0.1250E 08	0.00004	0.2164E 33
0.6250E 07	0.00004	0.4676E 31
0.3125E 07	0.00005	0.1038E 30
0.1563E 07	0.00006	0.2372E 28
0.7813E 06	0.00007	0.5605E 26
0.3906E 06	0.00008	0.1374E 25
0.1953E 06	0.00010	0.3510E 23
0.9766E 05	0.00012	0.9394E 21
0.4883E 05	0.00015	0.2649E 20
0.2441E 05	0.00019	0.7930E 18
0.1221E 05	0.00024	0.2540E 17
0.6104E 04	0.00032	0.8781E 15
0.3052E 04	0.00052	0.6690E 14
0.1526E 04	0.00105	0.9655E 13
0.7629E 03	0.00210	0.1393E 13
0.3815E 03	0.00419	0.2011E 12
0.1907E 03	0.00839	0.2902E 11
0.9537E 02	0.1678	0.4187E 10
0.4768E 02	0.3355	0.6043E 09
0.2384E 02	0.6711	0.8721E 08
0.1192E 02	1.3422	0.1259E 08

CORE USAGE OBJECT CODE= 1776 BYTES,ARRAY AREA= 0 BYTES,TOTAL AREA
 DIAGNOSTICS NUMBER OF ERRORS= 0, NUMBER OF WARNINGS= 0, NUMBE
 COMPILE TIME= 0.05 SEC,EXECUTION TIME= 0.35 SEC, 15.21.50 TUESDAY

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APPENDIX D : Nomenclature

CC - fraction of initial capital investment that must be yearly allotted
for depreciation, maintenance, etc., see equation (11) (yr^{-1})

C_{cap} - yearly capital costs ($\$/(\text{yr ft})$)

C_{oper} - yearly operating costs ($\$/(\text{yr ft})$)

C_{T} - total yearly costs, ($= C_{\text{cap}} + C_{\text{oper}}$) ($\$/(\text{yr ft})$)

D - inside pipe diameter (ft)

dV/dy - shear rate (sec^{-1})

E - pump efficiency (dimensionless)

f - friction factor (dimensionless)

f_{L} - friction factor for laminar flow (dimensionless)

f_{T} - friction factor for turbulent flow (dimensionless)

g_{c} - gravitational constant ($=32.2 \text{ lb}_m \text{ ft}/(\text{lb}_f \text{ sec}^2)$)

h - length of yearly operation (hr)

K - fluid consistency index ($\text{lb}_m \text{ sec}^{(n-2)} \text{ ft}^{-1}$)

K' - modified fluid consistency index ($\text{lb}_m \text{ sec}^{(n-2)} \text{ ft}^{-1}$)

\dot{m} - mass flow rate (lb_m/hr)

n - flow behavior index (dimensionless)

n' - modified flow behavior index (dimensionless)

N_{He} - Hedstrom number for Bingham plastics, defined by equation(2)
(dimensionless)

N_{Re} - Reynold's number, defined for Bingham plastics by equation (1),
defined for pseudoplastics by equation (7), (dimensionless)

OEPD - optimum economic pipe diameter

p - exponent in pipe cost equation (11) (dimensionless)

PC - power cost ($\$/(\text{hp yr})$)

V - velocity (ft/sec)

X - purchased and installed cost of pipe for $D=1$ ft ($\$/\text{ft}^{(p+1)}$)

λ - exponent in friction factor equation (14) (dimensionless)

η - plastic viscosity ($\text{lb}_m/(\text{ft sec})$)

μ - viscosity for Newtonian fluid ($\text{lb}_m/(\text{ft sec})$)

ρ - fluid density (lb_m/ft^3)

τ - shear stress (lb_f/ft^2)

τ_y - critical shear stress of Bingham plastic (lb_f/ft^2)

Ψ - economic variable, defined in equation (13) ($\text{ft}^{(p-1)} \text{sec}^3/\text{lb}_m$)