

**11.20** Suppose that Prob. 11.19 is reversed into a statement of the theoretical power  $P = 153$  hp. Can you then compute the theoretical (a) flow rate; and (b) head? Explain and resolve the difficulty which arises.

**Solution:** With power known, the basic theory becomes quadratic in flow rate:

$$u_2 = 83.3 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{s}}, \quad P = \rho Q u_2 \left( u_2 - \frac{Q}{2\pi r_2 b_2} \cot \beta_2 \right)$$

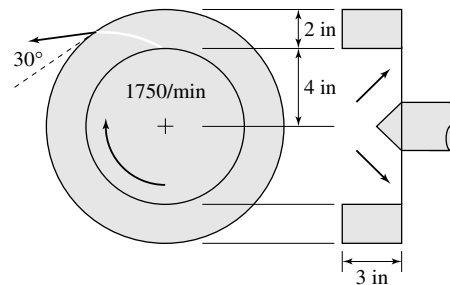
$$= 1.94Q(83.3)[83.3 - 1.818Q] = 153 \times 550 \frac{\text{ft}\cdot\text{lbf}}{\text{s}}$$

Clean up:  $Q^2 - 45.8Q + 287 = 0$ , two roots:  $Q_1 = 7.5 \frac{\text{ft}^3}{\text{s}}$ ;  $Q_2 = 38.3 \frac{\text{ft}^3}{\text{s}}$  *Ans. (a)*

These correspond to  $H_1 = 180$  ft;  $H_2 = 35$  ft *Ans. (b)*

So the ideal pump theory admits to two valid combinations of  $Q$  and  $H$  which, for the given geometry and speed, give the theoretical power of 153 hp. Prob. 11.19 was solution 1.

**11.21** The centrifugal pump of Fig. P11.21 develops a flow rate of 4200 gpm with gasoline at 20°C and near-radial absolute inflow. Estimate the theoretical (a) horsepower; (b) head rise; and (c) appropriate blade angle at the inner radius.



**Fig. P11.21**

**Solution:** For gasoline take  $\rho \approx 1.32$  slug/ft<sup>3</sup>. Convert  $Q = 4200$  gal/min = 9.36 ft<sup>3</sup>/s and  $\omega = 1750$  rpm = 183 rad/s. Note  $r_2 = 6$  in and  $\beta_2 = 30^\circ$ . The ideal power is computed as

$$P = \rho Q u_2 \left( u_2 - \frac{Q}{2\pi r_2 b_2} \cot \beta_2 \right), \quad \text{where } u_2 = \omega r_2 = 183 \left( \frac{6}{12} \right) \approx 91.6 \text{ ft/s.} \quad \text{Plug in:}$$

$$P = 1.32(9.36)(91.6) \left[ 91.6 - \frac{9.36}{2\pi(6/12)(3/12)} \cot 30^\circ \right] = 80400 \div 550 \approx \mathbf{146 \text{ hp}} \quad \text{Ans. (a)}$$

$$H = \frac{P}{\rho g Q} = \frac{80400}{1.32(32.2)(9.36)} \approx \mathbf{202 \text{ ft}} \quad \text{Ans. (b)}$$

Compute  $V_{n1} = Q/[2\pi r_1 b_1] = 9.36/[2\pi(4/12)(3/12)] \approx 17.9$  ft/s,  $u_1 = \omega r_1 = 183(4/12) \approx 61.1$  ft/s. For purely radial inflow,  $\beta_1 = \tan^{-1}(17.9/61.1) \approx 16^\circ$ . *Ans. (c)*

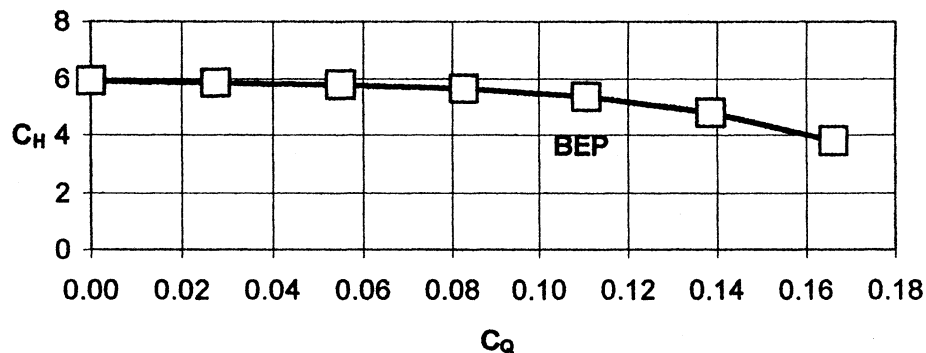
**11.22** A 37-cm-diameter centrifugal pump, running at 2140 rev/min with water at 20°C produces the following performance data:

Q, m <sup>3</sup> /s:	0.0	0.05	0.10	0.15	0.20	0.25	0.30
H, m:	105	104	102	100	95	85	67
P, kW:	100	115	135	171	202	228	249
$\eta$ :	0%	44%	74%	86%	<u>92%</u>	91%	79%

(a) Determine the best efficiency point. (b) Plot  $C_H$  versus  $C_Q$ . (c) If we desire to use this same pump family to deliver 7000 gal/min of kerosene at 20°C at an input power of 400 kW, what pump speed (in rev/min) and impeller size (in cm) are needed? What head will be developed?

**Solution:** Efficiencies, computed by  $\eta = \rho g Q H / \text{Power}$ , are listed above. The best efficiency point (BEP) is approximately **92% at  $Q = 0.2$  m<sup>3</sup>/s**. *Ans. (a)*

The dimensionless coefficients are  $C_Q = Q/(nD^3)$ , where  $n = 2160/60 = 36$  rev/s and  $D = 0.37$  m, plus  $C_H = gH/(n^2 D^2)$  and  $C_P = P/(\rho n^3 D^5)$ , where  $\rho_{\text{water}} = 998$  kg/m<sup>3</sup>. BEP values are  $C_Q^* = 0.111$ ,  $C_H^* = 5.35$ , and  $C_P^* = 0.643$ . **A plot of  $C_H$  versus  $C_Q$  is below.** The values are similar to Fig. 11.8 of the text. *Ans. (b)*



(c) For kerosene,  $\rho_k = 804$  kg/m<sup>3</sup>. Convert 7000 gal/min = 0.442 m<sup>3</sup>/s. At BEP, we require the above values of dimensionless parameters:

$$\frac{Q}{nD^3} = \frac{0.442}{nD^3} = 0.111; \quad \frac{P}{\rho n^3 D^5} = \frac{400000}{804n^3 D^5} = 0.643;$$