

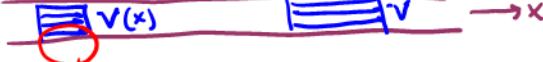
## FANNO FLOW – COMPRESSIBLE DUCT FLOW WITH FRICTION

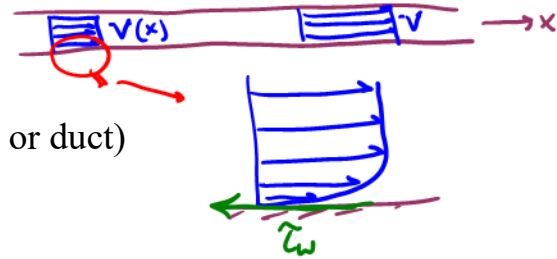
## In this lesson, we will:

- Introduce **Fanno flow**: flow in a duct with *friction* but no heat transfer
- Discuss Fanno flow qualitatively and quantitatively
- Do an example problem

**Disclaimer:** This is an *abbreviated* summary of Fanno flow; a more rigorous analysis is presented in my compressible flow course (ME 420 at Penn State University)

## Fanno Flow Introduction, Approximations, and Assumptions

- Steady flow in a pipe or duct
  - One-D flow ( $V$  approximately constant at any cross-section of the duct, i.e., at any  $x$  location; so,  $V = V(x)$  only)
  - Ideal gas
  - Constant gas properties ( $k$ ,  $c_P$ ,  $R$ , etc.)
  - Constant area (long, straight section of pipe or duct)
  - Fully developed (ignore entrance effects)
  - Negligible heat transfer to or from the gas
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- The diagram illustrates a duct with a velocity profile  $V(x)$  and a cross-section showing velocity vectors.



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## Comparison with Rayleigh Flow

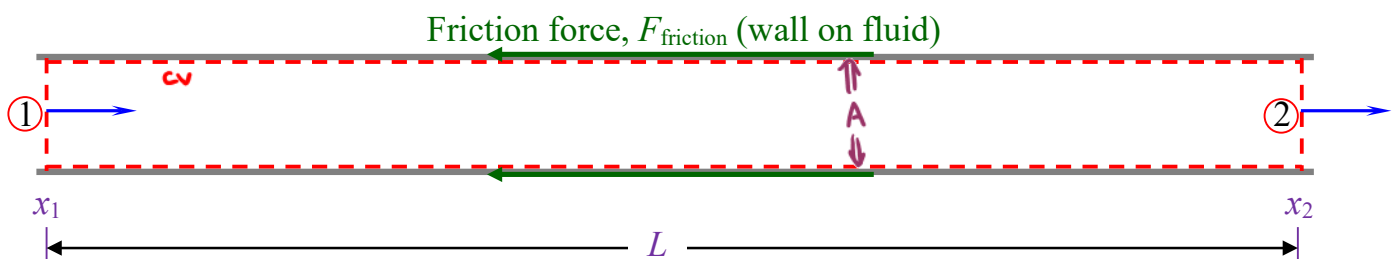
## Rayleigh flow

- SHORT DUCTS
- NEGLECT FRICTION
- HEAT TRANSFER IS IMPORTANT

## Fanno flow

- LONG DUCTS
- FRICTION IS IMPORTANT
- NEGLECT HEAT TRANSFER

## Control Volume Analysis and the Fanno Curve



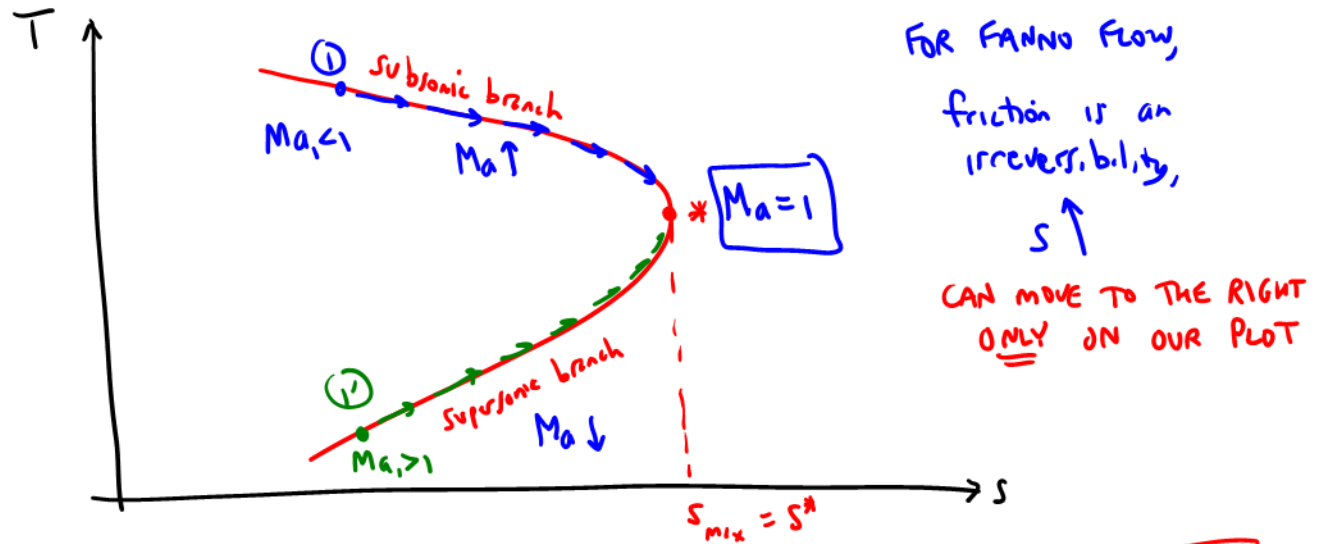
- CONS. OF MASS

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2 \quad (1)$$

- CONJ. OF ENERGY

$$q = \frac{\dot{Q}}{\dot{m}} = C_p (T_{02} - T_{01}) \Rightarrow T_{01} = T_{02} \quad (2)$$

- COMBINE EQs (1) & (2), ideal gas law, T-ds eq & some state eqs  
 & generate the **FANNO CURVE** (FANNO LINE)



★  $Ma \rightarrow 1$  (sonic or critical conditions, \*) FOR EITHER SUBSONIC OR SUPERSONIC FLOW

### COMMENTS:

- FANNO CURVE IS SIMILAR TO THE RAYLEIGH CURVE, BUT
  - Rayleigh curve satisfies  $m \dot{A} \uparrow$  & momentum
  - Fanno curve satisfies  $m \dot{A} \uparrow$  & energy
- ENERGY EQ. DETERMINES WHERE WE LAND ON THE RAYLEIGH CURVE
- MOMENTUM EQ. DETERMINES WHERE WE LAND ON THE FANNO CURVE
- "STRANGE ZONE" IS THE ENTIRE SUBSONIC REGION IN FANNO FLOW!
  - AS FRICTION  $\uparrow$   $T \downarrow$  IN THE SUBSONIC BRANCH

Linear momentum equation in x-direction:

$$\sum F_x = \cancel{\sum F_{x, \text{gravity}}} + \sum F_{x, \text{pressure}} + \sum F_{x, \text{viscous}} + \cancel{\sum F_{x, \text{other}}} = \sum_{\text{out}} \beta \dot{m} V - \sum_{\text{in}} \beta \dot{m} V$$

$\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$

$\text{none in x}$   $P_1 A - P_2 A$   $- F_{\text{friction}}$   $= (1) \rho_2 V_2 A V_2 - (1) \rho_1 V_1 A V_1$

$\div A$  & rearrange

$$P_1 + \rho_1 V_1^2 = P_2 + \rho_2 V_2^2 + \frac{F_{\text{friction}}}{A} \quad (3)$$

• Other eqs. in our toolbox

• T-ds eqs

$$s_2 - s_1 = c_p \ln \frac{T_2}{T_1} - R \ln \frac{P_2}{P_1}$$

• Ideal gas law

$$\frac{P_1}{\rho_1 T_1} = \frac{P_2}{\rho_2 T_2}$$

• State eqs e.g.,

$$\frac{T_0}{T} = 1 + \frac{k-1}{2} M_a^2$$



## Summary of Equations for Fanno Flow for an Ideal Gas

Conservation laws of mass, energy, and momentum (from above notes):

*mass*

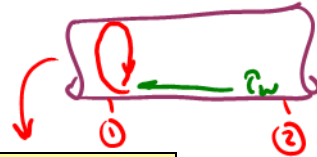
$$\rho_1 V_1 = \rho_2 V_2 \quad \text{or} \quad \rho V = \text{constant} \quad (1)$$

*energy*

$$T_{01} = T_{02} \quad \text{or} \quad c_p T_1 + \frac{V_1^2}{2} = c_p T_2 + \frac{V_2^2}{2} \quad (2)$$

*momentum*

$$P_1 + \rho_1 V_1^2 = P_2 + \rho_2 V_2^2 + \frac{F_{\text{friction}}}{A} \quad (3) \quad ?$$



How to calculate the friction force:

- Integrate shear stress along the wall,  $\frac{F_{\text{friction}}}{A} = \frac{\text{perimeter}}{A} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \tau_w dx$
- Apply the **Darcy friction factor**,  $f = \frac{8\tau_w}{\rho V^2}$ , and assume  $f$  is constant between  $x_1$  and  $x_2$

- Use the **Churchill equation** for  $f$ ,  $f = 8 \left[ \left( \frac{8}{\text{Re}} \right)^{12} + (A + B)^{-1.5} \right]^{-\frac{1}{12}}$ ,

where  $\text{Re} = \frac{\rho V D_h}{\mu} = \frac{V D_h}{\nu}$ ,  $A = \left\{ -2.457 \cdot \ln \left[ \left( \frac{7}{\text{Re}} \right)^{0.9} + 0.27 \frac{\varepsilon}{D} \right] \right\}^{16}$ ,  $B = \left( \frac{37530}{\text{Re}} \right)^{16}$ ,

and hydraulic diameter  $D_h = \frac{4A}{\text{perimeter}}$

- Thus,  $\frac{F_{\text{friction}}}{A} = \frac{1}{2D_h} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f \rho V^2 dx$

Plug the above equation into our momentum equation (3) and do a lot of algebra,

$$\frac{f}{D_h} (x_2 - x_1) = \left[ -\frac{1}{k \text{Ma}^2} - \frac{k+1}{2k} \ln \left( \frac{\text{Ma}^2}{1 - \frac{k-1}{2} \text{Ma}^2} \right) \right]_{\text{Ma}_1}^{\text{Ma}_2}$$

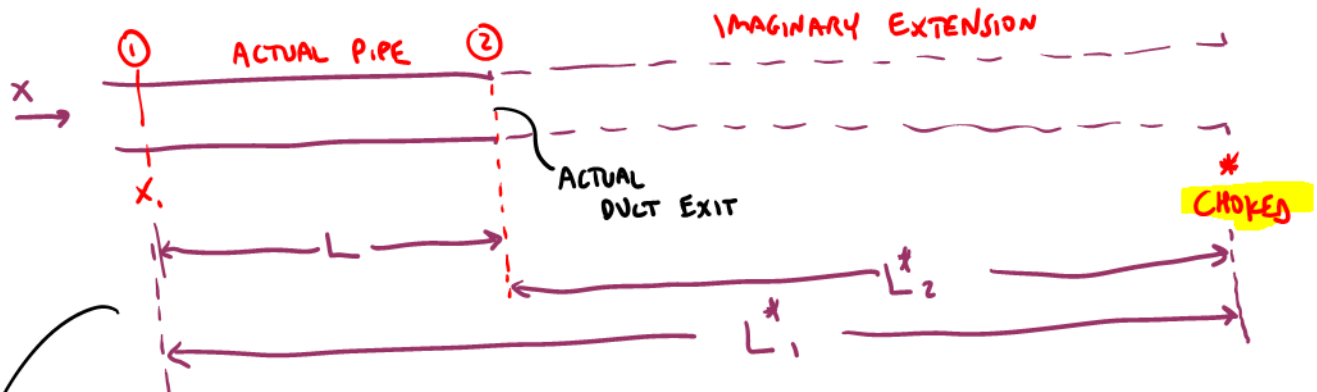
Finally, consider the **choked case**, where  $\text{Ma}_2 = 1$  and set  $x_2 - x_1 = L^*$  since the flow is choked at the exit. After some more algebra, the above equation becomes

*$L^*$  is the critical length from  $x_1$  to  $*$  (choked flow)*

$$\frac{f L^*}{D_h} = \frac{1 - \text{Ma}_1^2}{k \text{Ma}_1^2} + \frac{k+1}{2k} \ln \left( \frac{(k+1) \text{Ma}_1^2}{2 + (k-1) \text{Ma}_1^2} \right) \quad (4)$$

## Application of Equation (4) to Fanno Flow Problems

FOR KNOWN CONDITIONS AT ① ( $V_1, P_1, T_1, Ma_1$ , etc.)



- DEFINE:
- $L$  = actual duct length from ① to ②
  - $L^*_1$  = imaginary duct length from ① to \*
  - $L^*_2$  = imaginary duct length from ② to \*

$$L + L^*_2 = L^*_1 \rightarrow L = L^*_1 - L^*_2$$

MULTIPLY BY  $\frac{f}{D_h}$

$$\frac{fL}{D_h} = \frac{fL^*_1}{D_h} - \frac{fL^*_2}{D_h}$$

• Rewrite Eq(4) @ any  $x$  : any  $Ma$



Final “workhorse” Fanno flow equations (for any Mach number):

$$\frac{fL}{D_h} = \frac{fL^*_1}{D_h} - \frac{fL^*_2}{D_h} \quad \text{where} \quad \frac{fL^*}{D_h} = \frac{1 - Ma^2}{kMa^2} + \frac{k+1}{2k} \ln \left( \frac{(k+1)Ma^2}{2 + (k-1)Ma^2} \right)$$

## Step-by-Step Procedure to Solve Fanno Flow Problems

1. For known conditions at 1, duct roughness  $\varepsilon$ , hydraulic diameter  $D_h$ , and pipe length  $L$ , calculate friction factor  $f$  from the Churchill equation

2. Calculate  $\frac{fL^*}{D_h}$  from workhorse equation

$$\frac{fL^*}{D_h} = \frac{1 - \text{Ma}_1^2}{k\text{Ma}_1^2} + \frac{k+1}{2k} \ln \left( \frac{(k+1)\text{Ma}_1^2}{2 + (k-1)\text{Ma}_1^2} \right)$$

3. Calculate  $\frac{fL^*}{D_h}$  from workhorse equation

$$\frac{fL}{D_h} = \frac{fL^*}{D_h} - \frac{fL^*}{D_h}$$

Solve

4. Calculate  $\text{Ma}_2$  from workhorse equation

$$\frac{fL^*}{D_h} = \frac{1 - \text{Ma}_2^2}{k\text{Ma}_2^2} + \frac{k+1}{2k} \ln \left( \frac{(k+1)\text{Ma}_2^2}{2 + (k-1)\text{Ma}_2^2} \right)$$

IMPLICITLY \*

5. Calculate  $T_2$  from clever use of ratios, knowing that  $T_0$  is constant, and applying our state equation for  $\frac{T_0}{T}$ ,

$$T_2 = \frac{T_2}{T_0} \frac{T_0}{T_1} T_1 = \left( 1 + \frac{k-1}{2} \text{Ma}_2^2 \right)^{-1} \left( 1 + \frac{k-1}{2} \text{Ma}_1^2 \right) T_1$$

6. Knowing  $T_2$  and  $\text{Ma}_2$ , calculate any other desired properties at location 2

### Example: Fanno flow

#### Given:

- Air enters a 5.00-cm diameter, 27.0-m long tube at 450 K, 220 kPa, and 85.0 m/s.
- $T_1$     $P_1$     $V_1$     $D=D_h$     $L$

The average roughness height of the inside wall of the pipe is 0.08 mm.  $= \varepsilon$

- The pipe is well-insulated, but we need to be concerned about friction in the pipe since it is so long.
- adiabatic   → FANNO FLOW



**To do:** Estimate the temperature, pressure, velocity, and Mach number at location 2.

#### Solution:

**Assumptions and Approximations** (consistent with our simplified Fanno flow analysis):

- The air is an ideal gas, and the properties do not change with temperature or pressure.
- The flow is steady and one-D.
- The flow is adiabatic but friction along the tube walls is *not* negligible.
- The Darcy friction factor  $f$  is approximated as constant based on conditions at the inlet, and the Churchill equation is used to calculate  $f$ .

### Summary of inlet conditions

**Known values:**  $V_1 = 85.0$  m/s,  $T_1 = 450$  K,  $P_1 = 220$  kPa,

$D_h = D = 0.0500$  m,  $\varepsilon = 8.00 \times 10^{-5}$  m, and  $L = 27.0$  m

**Calculated:**  $\text{Ma}_1 = 0.200$ ,  $\mu_1 = 2.499 \times 10^{-5}$  kg/(m s) from Sutherland equation,

$\rho_1 = 1.7035$  kg/m<sup>3</sup> from ideal gas law

**Step 1:** Calculate Re and f from Churchill equation  $\rightarrow \text{Re} = 289,660$  and  $f = 0.02296$

**Step 2:** Calculate  $\frac{fL^*}{D_h}$  from  $\frac{fL^*}{D_h} = \frac{1 - \text{Ma}_1^2}{k\text{Ma}_1^2} + \frac{k+1}{2k} \ln \left( \frac{(k+1)\text{Ma}_1^2}{2 + (k-1)\text{Ma}_1^2} \right)$

$\rightarrow \frac{fL^*}{D_h} = 14.550$

**Step 3:** Calculate  $\frac{fL^*}{D_h}$  from  $\frac{fL}{D_h} = \frac{fL^*}{D_h} - \frac{fL^*}{D_h} \rightarrow \frac{fL^*}{D_h} = \frac{fL}{D_h} + \frac{fL^*}{D_h}$

$\frac{fL^*}{D_h} = \frac{fL^*}{D_h} - \frac{fL}{D_h} = 14.550 - \frac{(0.02296)(27.0 \text{ m})}{0.0500 \text{ m}} \Rightarrow \frac{fL^*}{D_h} = 2.1507$

**Step 4:** Calculate  $\text{Ma}_2$  from  $\frac{fL^*}{D_h} = \frac{1 - \text{Ma}_2^2}{k\text{Ma}_2^2} + \frac{k+1}{2k} \ln \left( \frac{(k+1)\text{Ma}_2^2}{2 + (k-1)\text{Ma}_2^2} \right)$

SOLVE IMPLICITLY FOR  $\text{Ma}_2$  (I used False Position Method)

$\text{Ma}_2 = 0.40902$

**Step 5:** Calculate  $T_2$  from  $T_2 = \left( 1 + \frac{k-1}{2} \text{Ma}_2^2 \right)^{-1} \left( 1 + \frac{k-1}{2} \text{Ma}_1^2 \right) T_1$

$T_2 = 438.91 \text{ K}$

**Step 6:** Calculate other properties at location 2

e.g.,  $C_2 = \sqrt{kRT_2} = \sqrt{(1.40)(287.0 \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{s}^2\text{K}})(438.91 \text{ K})} = 419.94 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$

$V_2 = C_2 \text{Ma}_2 = (419.94 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})(0.40902) = 171.76 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$

$P_2 = \frac{P_1 V_1}{V_2} \quad ; \quad P_2 = P_2 R T_2 \quad \} \quad P_2 = 106.19 \text{ kPa}$

FINAL ANSWERS: (3 digits)

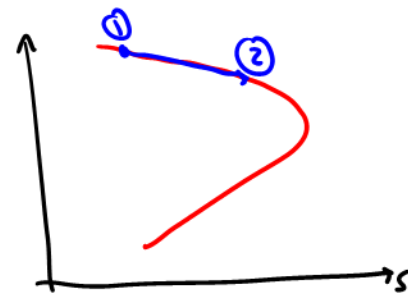
$T_2 = 439. \text{ K}$   
 $P_2 = 106. \text{ kPa}$   
 $V_2 = 172. \text{ m/s}$   
 $\text{Ma}_2 = 0.409$

$T \downarrow$

$P \downarrow$

$V \uparrow$

$\text{Ma} \uparrow$



(since we are on subsonic branch)



## Additional verification of our assumptions

Let's see if Darcy friction factor remains nearly constant by looking at the Moody chart:

**Moody Chart:** [Figure from Cengel and Cimbala, *Fluid Mechanics: Fundamentals and Applications*, Ed. 4.]

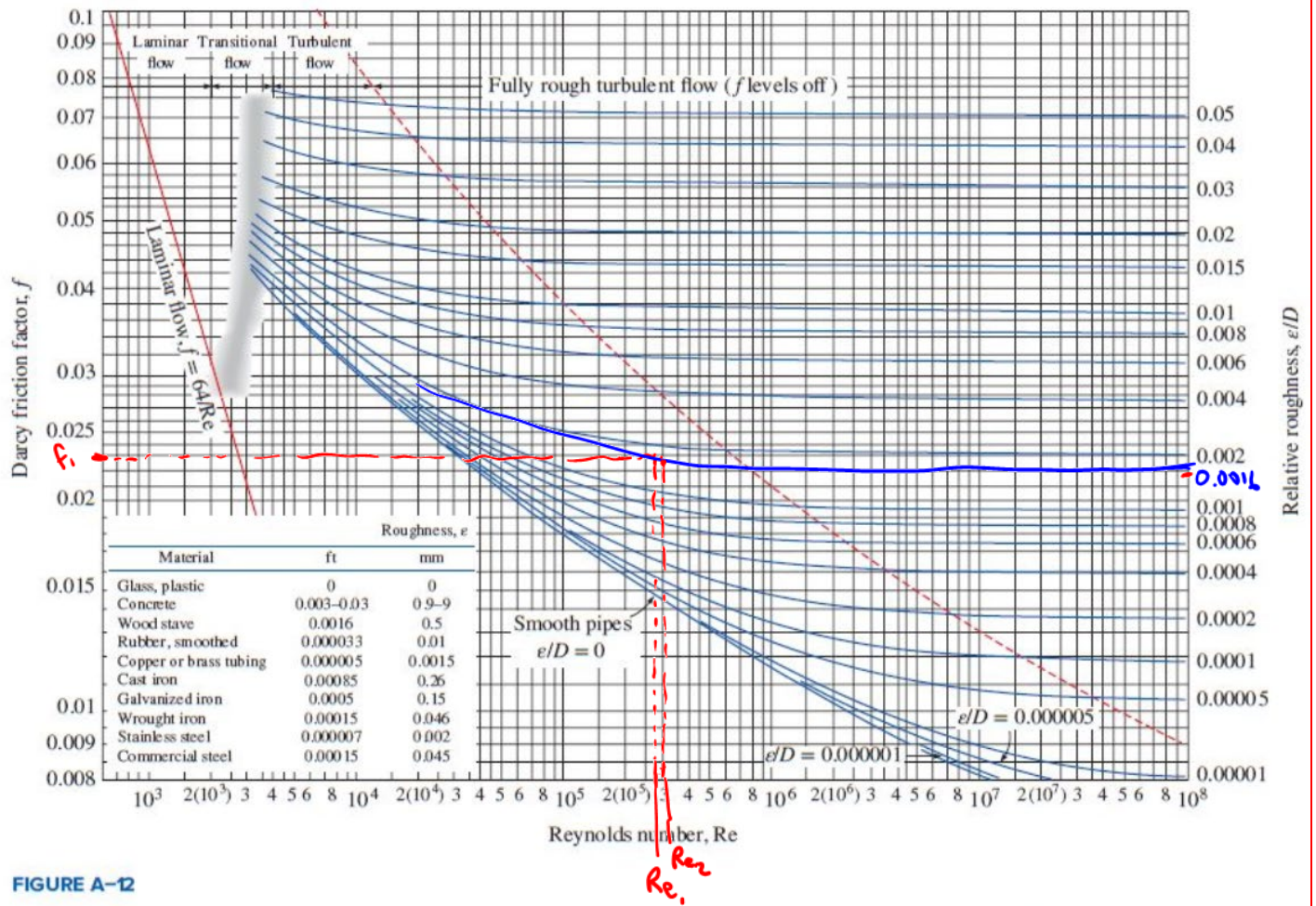


FIGURE A-12

The Moody chart for the friction factor for fully developed flow in circular pipes for use in the head loss relation  $h_L = f \frac{L}{D} \frac{V^2}{2g}$ . Friction factors in the turbulent flow are evaluated from the Colebrook equation  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{f}} = -2 \log_{10} \left( \frac{e/D}{3.7} + \frac{2.51}{Re \sqrt{f}} \right)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} @ Re_1 &= 289,660 \quad ; \quad \frac{e}{D_n} = 0.0016 \Rightarrow f_1 = 0.02296 \\ @ Re_2 &= 300,706 \quad \quad \quad \Rightarrow f_2 = 0.02293 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} @ Re_1 &= 289,660 \\ @ Re_2 &= 300,706 \end{aligned}} \right\} f \approx \text{const}$$

One zero  
should not be  
here



VERY GOOD  
APPROXIMATION!