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**BUILDING SERVICES, MACHINE
INSTALLATION, REFRIGERATION, AIR
CONDITIONING AND VENTILATION**

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**DIPLOMA IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
(PLANT OPTION)**

MODULE II

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AIR CONDITIONING AND VENTILATION**

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

You should have the following for this examination:

Answer booklet;

Non-programmable scientific calculator;

Tables of Thermodynamic and transport properties of Fluids.

This paper consists of SEVEN questions in TWO sections; A and B.

Answer any FIVE choosing THREE questions from section A and TWO questions from section B.

All questions carry equal marks.

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as indicated.

Candidates should answer the questions in English.

This paper consists of 6 printed pages.

**Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all
the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.**

SECTION A

Answer any **THREE** questions from this section.

1. (a) Explain **four** benefits of an air conditioning system for human comfort. (4 marks)
- (b) With the aid of a diagram, explain the operation of a dual-duct air conditioning system. (6 marks)
- (c) Explain **three** functions of a service valve in a refrigeration system. (3 marks)
- (d) (i) Highlight **four** desirable properties of refrigerants.
- (ii) Explain **three** advantages of secondary refrigerants. (7 marks)
2. (a) State **four** reasons why circular ducts are preferred over rectangular ducts. (2 marks)
- (b) Explain **four** causes of noise in duct work of a ventilation system. (4 marks)
- (c) With the aid of a sketch describe the operation of a vapour refrigeration system. (5 marks)
- (d) (i) Highlight **four** benefits of a hermetic compressor. (2 marks)
- (ii) With the aid of a diagram, describe the operation of a thermostatic expansion valve in vapour compression refrigeration system. (7 marks)
3. (a) State the function of each of the following units in a refrigeration system.
- (i) condenser;
- (ii) drier;
- (iii) evaporator. (3 marks)
- (b) State **three** causes and **three** remedies for each of the following problems of a vapour compression system.
- (i) compressor short cycle;
- (ii) low suction pressure. (6 marks)
- (c) Explain **four** differences between a practical and an ideal vapour compression cycle. (6 marks)
- (d) With the aid of a P-h diagram, explain the effect of superheating a refrigerant before compression. (5 marks)

4. (a) Explain the following methods of duct sizing stating two advantages of each.

- (i) Equal pressure drop;
- (ii) Static regain.

(6 marks)

(b) Figure 1, shows a duct system. If the velocity after the fan outlet is not to exceed 7.5 m/s and velocity in any branch must not exceed 3.5 m/s, size the duct and determine its rectangular equivalent using chart 1 and table 1.

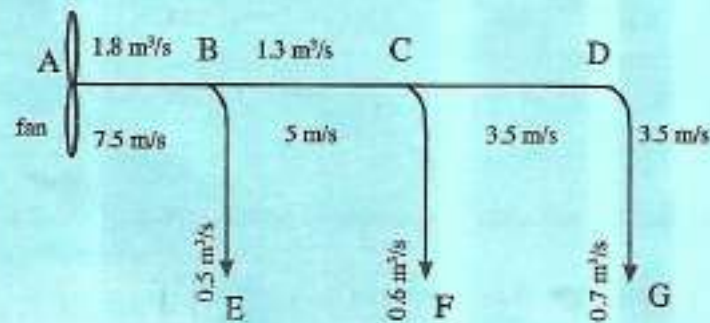


Fig. 1

(7 marks)

(c) Highlight **six** functions of a ventilation system.

(3 marks)

(d) With the aid of a diagram, describe viscous filter used in ventilation.

(4 marks)

SECTION B

Answer any TWO questions from this section.

5. (a) State **four** causes of vibrations in machines.

(4 marks)

(b) Outline **four** types of vibration control materials stating **one** desirable property of each.

(8 marks)

(c) With the aid of a diagram, describe an indirect cold water supply system to a two storey building.

(5 marks)

(d) Highlight **six** benefits of using a zeolite water softener.

(3 marks)

6. (a) Outline **two** methods of machine installation. (4 marks)
- (b) Outline **four** functions of water distribution reservoirs. (4 marks)
- (c) With the aid of a diagram, explain the procedure for back-washing a rapid gravity water filter. (6 marks)
- (d) Outline **three** operational problems of a rapid gravity filters. (6 marks)
7. (a) Explain the following types of lifts:
- (i) Electric traction;
- (ii) Hydraulic. (4 marks)
- (b) With the aid of a diagram, describe a double wrap roping in electric lift. (5 marks)
- (c) State **six** maintenance checks carried out on a lift. (3 marks)
- (d) (i) Explain **three** differences between parallel and crisscross escalator layouts. (3 marks)
- (ii) Highlight **four** safety measures during operational of escalators and **six** maintenance checks carried out on an escalator. (5 marks)

CHART 1

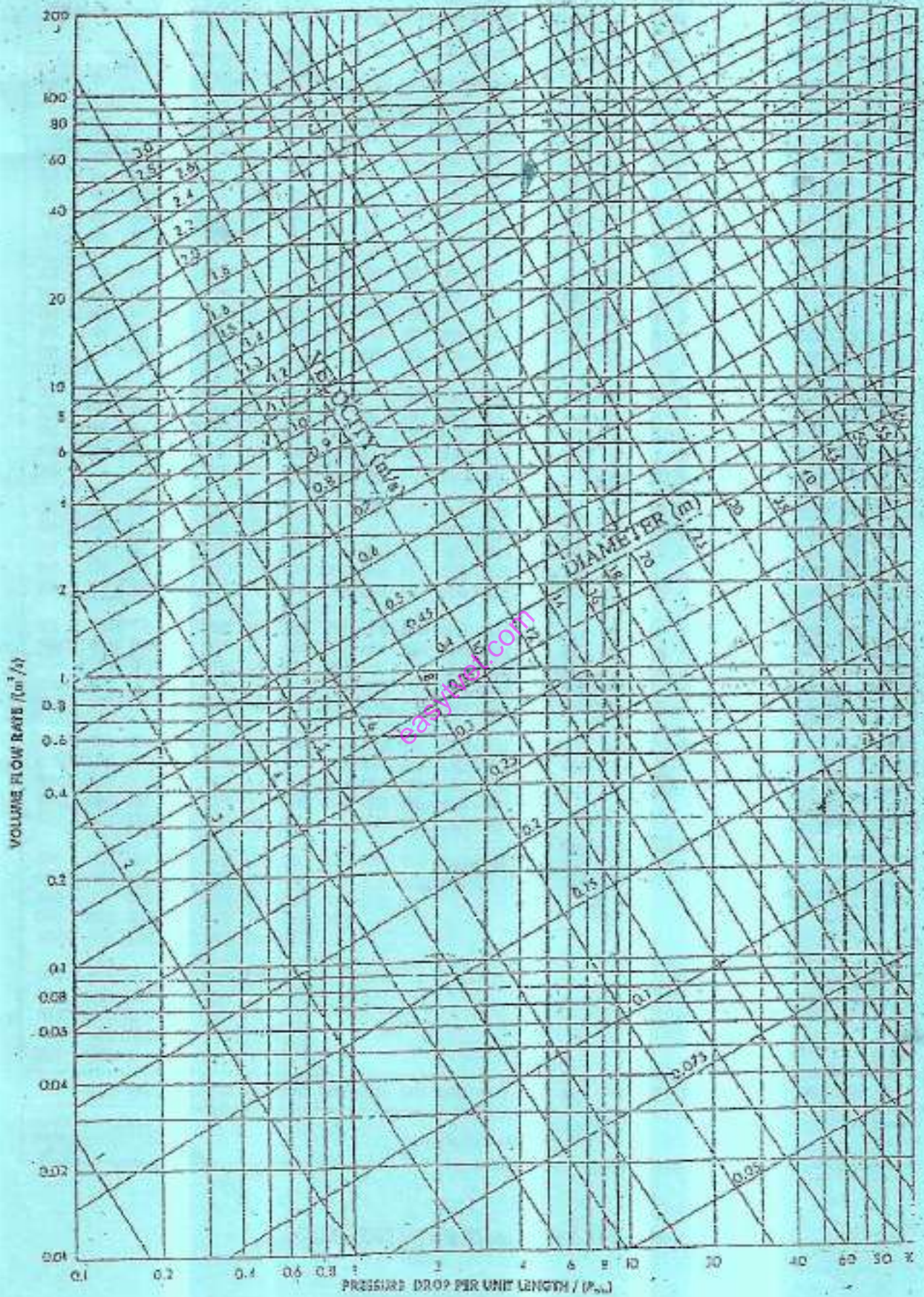


Table 1: Equal volume flow rate, pressure drop and surface roughness.
 Read diameters above stepped line up to top scale and diameters below stepped line down to bottom scale.

Dimes. of side, b	Dimension of side of duct, a																			Dimes. of side, b	
	100	115	150	175	200	225	250	300	350	400	450	500	550	600	650	700	750	800	900		
100	110	123	134	145	154	163	171	185	199	211	222	231	242	251	260	268	276	284	291	298	300
125	347	138	151	162	173	183	192	209	225	239	251	261	275	285	295	305	314	323	331	339	345
150	385	394	165	178	190	202	212	231	248	264	278	291	304	316	327	338	348	358	368	377	385
175	421	430	440	193	206	218	230	251	269	287	303	317	331	344	357	369	380	391	401	411	419
200	454	464	474	484	220	233	246	269	289	308	325	341	356	371	384	397	409	421	433	444	450
225	485	496	507	517	527	248	261	286	308	328	345	364	380	395	410	424	438	450	462	474	485
250	515	527	538	549	560	570	275	301	325	346	366	385	402	419	434	449	463	477	490	503	515
300	570	583	596	608	620	632	645	330	357	381	401	424	443	462	479	496	512	527	542	556	569
350	620	635	649	662	676	689	701	714	385	412	436	459	481	501	520	538	556	573	589	605	620
400	667	683	698	713	727	741	755	768	794	441	467	492	515	537	558	578	597	616	633	650	667
450	710	727	744	760	776	791	806	820	848	874	495	521	547	571	595	619	636	653	674	693	710
500	751	770	787	804	821	837	853	869	898	927	954	981	1007	1033	1059	1085	1112	1139	1167	1195	1222
550	790	810	828	847	864	882	899	915	946	976	1005	1035	1065	1095	1125	1155	1185	1215	1245	1275	1305
600	827	848	867	887	905	924	941	959	992	1024	1054	1084	1112	1142	1172	1202	1232	1262	1292	1322	1352
650	862	884	905	925	945	964	982	1001	1036	1066	1101	1131	1162	1191	1221	1251	1281	1311	1341	1371	1401
700	896	919	940	962	982	1002	1022	1041	1077	1113	1146	1179	1210	1240	1269	1299	1328	1357	1387	1416	1445
750	928	952	975	997	1018	1039	1059	1079	1118	1154	1190	1223	1256	1287	1318	1349	1379	1409	1439	1468	1498
800	959	984	1008	1031	1053	1075	1096	1117	1157	1195	1231	1267	1301	1333	1365	1396	1427	1458	1488	1518	1548
850	989	1015	1039	1063	1086	1109	1131	1152	1194	1234	1272	1308	1344	1378	1411	1443	1475	1506	1537	1567	1597
900	1018	1044	1070	1095	1119	1142	1165	1187	1230	1271	1311	1349	1385	1421	1455	1488	1520	1551	1582	1612	1642
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1700												1872	1926	1979	2029	2078	2124	2173	2218	2262	2305
1800													1982	2036	2089	2140	2189	2237	2284	2330	2375
1900														2092	2147	2199	2250	2300	2348	2395	2440
2000															2203	2257	2310	2361	2411	2459	2505
2100																2313	2367	2420	2471	2521	2567
2200																	2423	2477	2530	2582	2628
2300																		2533	2587	2640	2687
2400																			2643	2697	2744
2500																				2753	2801
	950	1000	1050	1100	1150	1200	1250	1300	1400	1500	1600	1700	1800	1900	2000	2100	2200	2300	2400	2500	
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