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List of 33 Orifices and Mouthpieces Formulas

Orifices and Mouthpieces

Flow Head

1) Absolute pressure head at constant head and atmospheric pressure head

$$\text{fx } H_{AP} = H_a + H_c - \left(\left(\left(\frac{V_o}{0.62} \right)^2 \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2 \cdot 9.81} \right) \right)$$

[Open Calculator !\[\]\(de95854c7ee024cfadc48187bbb781b2_img.jpg\)](#)

$$\text{ex } 13.48909\text{m} = 7\text{m} + 10.5\text{m} - \left(\left(\left(\frac{5.5\text{m/s}}{0.62} \right)^2 \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2 \cdot 9.81} \right) \right)$$

2) Atmospheric pressure head at constant head and absolute pressure head

$$\text{fx } H_a = H_{AP} - H_c + \left(\left(\left(\frac{V_o}{0.62} \right)^2 \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2 \cdot 9.81} \right) \right)$$

[Open Calculator !\[\]\(6a9b39b98eb945faa14c645ec99e4eaa_img.jpg\)](#)

$$\text{ex } 7.510911\text{m} = 14\text{m} - 10.5\text{m} + \left(\left(\left(\frac{5.5\text{m/s}}{0.62} \right)^2 \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2 \cdot 9.81} \right) \right)$$

3) Head of Liquid above Centre of Orifice

$$\text{fx } H = \frac{V_{th}^2}{2 \cdot 9.81}$$

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$$\text{ex } 4.12844\text{m} = \frac{(9\text{m/s})^2}{2 \cdot 9.81}$$

4) Head of liquid for head loss and coefficient of velocity

$$\text{fx } H = \frac{h_f}{1 - (C_v^2)}$$

[Open Calculator !\[\]\(166772600a13ad0a433053f90fe45649_img.jpg\)](#)

$$\text{ex } 7.8125\text{m} = \frac{1.2\text{m}}{1 - ((0.92)^2)}$$




5) Loss of head due to fluid resistance 

$$fx \quad h_f = H \cdot (1 - (C_v^2))$$

Open Calculator 


$$ex \quad 6.144m = 40m \cdot (1 - ((0.92)^2))$$

6) Loss of head due to sudden enlargement 

$$fx \quad h_L = \frac{(V_i - V_o)^2}{2 \cdot 9.81}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 0.37156m = \frac{(8.2m/s - 5.5m/s)^2}{2 \cdot 9.81}$$

Flow Rate 7) Coefficient of discharge 

$$fx \quad C_d = \frac{Q_a}{Q_{th}}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 0.875 = \frac{0.7m^3/s}{0.8m^3/s}$$

8) Coefficient of discharge for area and velocity 

$$fx \quad C_d = \frac{v_a \cdot A_a}{V_{th} \cdot A_t}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 0.820513 = \frac{8m/s \cdot 4.80m^2}{9m/s \cdot 5.2m^2}$$


9) Coefficient of Discharge given Time for Emptying Tank 

$$fx \quad C_d = \frac{2 \cdot A_T \cdot ((\sqrt{H_i}) - (\sqrt{H_f}))}{t_{total} \cdot a \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81}}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 0.786502 = \frac{2 \cdot 1144m^2 \cdot ((\sqrt{24m}) - (\sqrt{20.1m}))}{30s \cdot 9.1m^2 \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81}}$$




10) Coefficient of Discharge given Time of Emptying Circular Horizontal Tank 

$$\text{fx } C_d = \frac{4 \cdot L \cdot \left(\left((2 \cdot r_1) - H_f \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \left((2 \cdot r_1) - H_i \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right)}{3 \cdot t_{\text{total}} \cdot a \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81} \right)}$$

Open Calculator 


$$\text{ex } 0.26326 = \frac{4 \cdot 31\text{m} \cdot \left(\left((2 \cdot 12\text{m}) - 20.1\text{m} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \left((2 \cdot 12\text{m}) - 24\text{m} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right)}{3 \cdot 30\text{s} \cdot 9.1\text{m}^2 \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81} \right)}$$

11) Coefficient of Discharge given Time of Emptying Hemispherical Tank 

$$\text{fx } C_d = \frac{\pi \cdot \left(\left(\left(\frac{4}{3} \right) \cdot R_t \cdot \left(\left(H_1^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) - \left(H_f^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) \right) \right) - \left(\left(\frac{2}{5} \right) \cdot \left(\left(H_1^{\frac{5}{2}} \right) - \left(H_f^{\frac{5}{2}} \right) \right) \right) \right)}{t_{\text{total}} \cdot a \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81} \right)}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 0.376754 = \frac{\pi \cdot \left(\left(\left(\frac{4}{3} \right) \cdot 15\text{m} \cdot \left(\left((24\text{m})^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) - \left((20.1\text{m})^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) \right) \right) - \left(\left(\frac{2}{5} \right) \cdot \left(\left((24\text{m})^{\frac{5}{2}} \right) - \left((20.1\text{m})^{\frac{5}{2}} \right) \right) \right) \right)}{30\text{s} \cdot 9.1\text{m}^2 \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81} \right)}$$

12) Discharge in Borda's Mouthpiece Running Free 

$$\text{fx } Q_M = 0.5 \cdot A \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot H_c}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 36.60027\text{m}^3/\text{s} = 0.5 \cdot 5.1\text{m}^2 \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot 10.5\text{m}}$$

13) Discharge in Borda's Mouthpiece Running Full 

$$\text{fx } Q_M = 0.707 \cdot A \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot H_c}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 51.75279\text{m}^3/\text{s} = 0.707 \cdot 5.1\text{m}^2 \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot 10.5\text{m}}$$

14) Discharge in Convergent-Divergent Mouthpiece 

$$\text{fx } Q_M = a_c \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot H_c}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 30.1414\text{m}^3/\text{s} = 2.1\text{m}^2 \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot 10.5\text{m}}$$

15) Discharge through fully sub-merged orifice 

$$\text{fx } Q_O = C_d \cdot w \cdot (H_{\text{bottom}} - H_{\text{top}}) \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot H_L} \right)$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 4.157178\text{m}^3/\text{s} = 0.87 \cdot 3.5\text{m} \cdot (20\text{m} - 19.9\text{m}) \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot 9.5\text{m}} \right)$$



16) Discharge through large rectangular orifice 

$$\text{fx } Q_O = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \cdot C_d \cdot b \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81}\right) \cdot \left(\left(H_{\text{bottom}}^{1.5}\right) - \left(H_{\text{top}}^{1.5}\right)\right)$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 3.786716\text{m}^3/\text{s} = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \cdot 0.87 \cdot 2.2\text{m} \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81}\right) \cdot \left(\left((20\text{m})^{1.5}\right) - \left((19.9\text{m})^{1.5}\right)\right)$$

17) Discharge through partially sub-merged orifice 


fx

Open Calculator 

$$Q_O = \left(C_d \cdot w \cdot \left(H_{\text{bottom}} - H_L\right) \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot H_L}\right)\right) + \left(\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \cdot C_d \cdot b \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81}\right) \cdot \left(\left(H_L^{1.5}\right) - \left(H_{\text{top}}^{1.5}\right)\right)\right)$$

ex


$$100.2577\text{m}^3/\text{s} = \left(0.87 \cdot 3.5\text{m} \cdot \left(20\text{m} - 9.5\text{m}\right) \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot 9.5\text{m}}\right)\right) + \left(\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \cdot 0.87 \cdot 2.2\text{m} \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81}\right) \cdot \left(\left(9.5\text{m}^{1.5}\right) - \left(0\text{m}^{1.5}\right)\right)\right)$$

Geometric Dimensions 18) Area at vena contracta for discharge and constant head 

$$\text{fx } a_c = \frac{Q_M}{\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot H_c}}$$

Open Calculator 


$$\text{ex } 2.104083\text{m}^2 = \frac{30.2\text{m}^3/\text{s}}{\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot 10.5\text{m}}}$$

19) Area of Mouthpiece in Borda's Mouthpiece Running Free 

$$\text{fx } A = \frac{Q_M}{0.5 \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot H_c}}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 4.208165\text{m}^2 = \frac{30.2\text{m}^3/\text{s}}{0.5 \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot 10.5\text{m}}}$$


20) Area of Mouthpiece in Borda's Mouthpiece Running Full 

$$\text{fx } A = \frac{Q_M}{0.707 \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot H_c}}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 2.976072\text{m}^2 = \frac{30.2\text{m}^3/\text{s}}{0.707 \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot 10.5\text{m}}}$$



21) Area of Orifice given Time of Emptying Hemispherical Tank [Open Calculator !\[\]\(eafc244b53721dd1ec133f0772f70fc7_img.jpg\)](#)

$$\text{fx } a = \frac{\pi \cdot \left(\left(\left(\frac{4}{3} \right) \cdot R_t \cdot \left(\left(H_i^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) - \left(H_f^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) \right) \right) - \left(\left(\frac{2}{5} \right) \cdot \left(\left(H_i^{\frac{5}{2}} \right) - \left(H_f^{\frac{5}{2}} \right) \right) \right) \right)}{t_{\text{total}} \cdot C_d \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81} \right)}$$

$$\text{ex } 3.940758\text{m}^2 = \frac{\pi \cdot \left(\left(\left(\frac{4}{3} \right) \cdot 15\text{m} \cdot \left(\left((24\text{m})^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) - \left((20.1\text{m})^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) \right) \right) - \left(\left(\frac{2}{5} \right) \cdot \left(\left((24\text{m})^{\frac{5}{2}} \right) - \left((20.1\text{m})^{\frac{5}{2}} \right) \right) \right) \right)}{30\text{s} \cdot 0.87 \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81} \right)}$$

22) Area of Tank given Time for Emptying Tank [Open Calculator !\[\]\(10f8862fc183b400327470ea85afe9ae_img.jpg\)](#)


$$\text{fx } A_T = \frac{t_{\text{total}} \cdot C_d \cdot a \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81} \right)}{2 \cdot \left(\left(\sqrt{H_i} \right) - \left(\sqrt{H_f} \right) \right)}$$

$$\text{ex } 1265.451\text{m}^2 = \frac{30\text{s} \cdot 0.87 \cdot 9.1\text{m}^2 \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81} \right)}{2 \cdot \left(\left(\sqrt{24\text{m}} \right) - \left(\sqrt{20.1\text{m}} \right) \right)}$$

23) Coefficient of Contraction given Area of Orifice [Open Calculator !\[\]\(35dc653d59570f8f891c312eeece91a2_img.jpg\)](#)


$$\text{fx } C_c = \frac{A_c}{a}$$

$$\text{ex } 0.549451 = \frac{5\text{m}^2}{9.1\text{m}^2}$$

24) Horizontal distance for coefficient of velocity and vertical distance [Open Calculator !\[\]\(b538fe54c1f3a7343e37e85cc2d00497_img.jpg\)](#)

$$\text{fx } R = C_v \cdot \left(\sqrt{4 \cdot V \cdot H} \right)$$



$$\text{ex } 23.27436\text{m} = 0.92 \cdot \left(\sqrt{4 \cdot 4\text{m} \cdot 40\text{m}} \right)$$

25) Vertical distance for coefficient of velocity and horizontal distance [Open Calculator !\[\]\(f9f168a9979beed8b01f8750d577d508_img.jpg\)](#)

$$\text{fx } V = \frac{R^2}{4 \cdot \left(C_v^2 \right) \cdot H}$$

$$\text{ex } 3.90625\text{m} = \frac{(23\text{m})^2}{4 \cdot \left((0.92)^2 \right) \cdot 40\text{m}}$$




Velocity and Time 26) Coefficient of velocity 

$$fx \quad C_v = \frac{V_a}{V_{th}}$$

Open Calculator 


$$ex \quad 0.888889 = \frac{8m/s}{9m/s}$$

27) Coefficient of velocity for horizontal and vertical distance 

$$fx \quad C_v = \frac{R}{\sqrt{4 \cdot V \cdot H}}$$

Open Calculator 


$$ex \quad 0.909155 = \frac{23m}{\sqrt{4 \cdot 4m \cdot 40m}}$$

28) Coefficient of Velocity given Head Loss 

$$fx \quad C_v = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{h_f}{H}\right)}$$

Open Calculator 


$$ex \quad 0.984886 = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{1.2m}{40m}\right)}$$

29) Theoretical velocity 

$$fx \quad v = \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot H_p}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 28.7061m/s = \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot 42m}$$

30) Time of Emptying Circular Horizontal Tank 

$$fx \quad t_{total} = \frac{4 \cdot L \cdot \left(\left((2 \cdot r_1) - H_f \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \left((2 \cdot r_1) - H_i \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right)}{3 \cdot C_d \cdot a \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81} \right)}$$

Open Calculator 


$$ex \quad 9.077938s = \frac{4 \cdot 31m \cdot \left(\left((2 \cdot 12m) - 20.1m \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \left((2 \cdot 12m) - 24m \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right)}{3 \cdot 0.87 \cdot 9.1m^2 \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81} \right)}$$



31) Time of Emptying Hemispherical Tank Open Calculator 

$$\text{fx } t_{\text{total}} = \frac{\pi \cdot \left(\left(\left(\frac{4}{3} \right) \cdot R_t \cdot \left((H_i^{1.5}) - (H_f^{1.5}) \right) \right) - \left(0.4 \cdot \left(\left(H_i^{\frac{5}{2}} \right) - \left(H_f^{\frac{5}{2}} \right) \right) \right) \right)}{C_d \cdot a \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81} \right)}$$

$$\text{ex } 12.99151\text{s} = \frac{\pi \cdot \left(\left(\left(\frac{4}{3} \right) \cdot 15\text{m} \cdot \left(\left((24\text{m})^{1.5} \right) - \left((20.1\text{m})^{1.5} \right) \right) \right) - \left(0.4 \cdot \left(\left((24\text{m})^{\frac{5}{2}} \right) - \left((20.1\text{m})^{\frac{5}{2}} \right) \right) \right) \right)}{0.87 \cdot 9.1\text{m}^2 \cdot \left(\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81} \right)}$$

32) Time of Emptying Tank through Orifice at Bottom Open Calculator 

$$\text{fx } t_{\text{total}} = \frac{2 \cdot A_T \cdot \left(\left(\sqrt{H_i} \right) - \left(\sqrt{H_f} \right) \right)}{C_d \cdot a \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81}}$$

$$\text{ex } 27.12077\text{s} = \frac{2 \cdot 1144\text{m}^2 \cdot \left(\left(\sqrt{24\text{m}} \right) - \left(\sqrt{20.1\text{m}} \right) \right)}{0.87 \cdot 9.1\text{m}^2 \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81}}$$

33) Velocity of liquid at C-C for Hc, Ha, and H Open Calculator 

$$\text{fx } V_i = \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot (H_a + H_c - H_{AP})}$$

$$\text{ex } 8.286736\text{m/s} = \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.81 \cdot (7\text{m} + 10.5\text{m} - 14\text{m})}$$



Variables Used






- **a** Area of Orifice (Square Meter)
- **A** Area (Square Meter)
- **A_a** Actual Area (Square Meter)
- **a_c** Area at Vena Contracta (Square Meter)
- **A_c** Area of jet (Square Meter)
- **A_t** Theoretical area (Square Meter)
- **A_T** Area of Tank (Square Meter)
- **b** Thickness of Dam (Meter)
- **C_c** Coefficient of Contraction
- **C_d** Coefficient of Discharge
- **C_v** Coefficient of Velocity
- **H** Head of the liquid (Meter)
- **H_a** Atmospheric Pressure Head (Meter)
- **H_{AP}** Absolute Pressure Head (Meter)
- **H_{bottom}** Height of liquid bottom edge (Meter)
- **H_c** Constant Head (Meter)
- **h_f** Head Loss (Meter)
- **H_f** Final height of liquid (Meter)
- **H_i** Initial height of liquid (Meter)
- **h_L** Loss of Head (Meter)
- **H_L** Difference in liquid level (Meter)
- **H_p** Pelton Head (Meter)
- **H_{top}** Height of Liquid Top Edge (Meter)
- **L** Length (Meter)
- **Q_a** Actual Discharge (Cubic Meter per Second)
- **Q_M** Discharge through Mouthpiece (Cubic Meter per Second)
- **Q_O** Discharge through Orifice (Cubic Meter per Second)
- **Q_{th}** Theoretical Discharge (Cubic Meter per Second)
- **R** Horizontal Distance (Meter)
- **r₁** Radius 1 (Meter)
- **R_t** Hemispherical tank radius (Meter)
- **t_{total}** Total Time Taken (Second)
- **v** Velocity (Meter per Second)



- **V** Vertical distance (Meter)
- **v_a** Actual velocity (Meter per Second)
- **V_i** Velocity of Liquid Inlet (Meter per Second)
- **V_o** Velocity of Liquid Outlet (Meter per Second)
- **V_{th}** Theoretical velocity (Meter per Second)
- **w** Width (Meter)



Constants, Functions, Measurements used

- **Constant:** **pi**, 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- **Function:** **sqrt**, sqrt(Number)
Square root function
- **Measurement:** **Length** in Meter (m)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Time** in Second (s)
Time Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Area** in Square Meter (m²)
Area Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Speed** in Meter per Second (m/s)
Speed Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Volumetric Flow Rate** in Cubic Meter per Second (m³/s)
Volumetric Flow Rate Unit Conversion 



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