



# Linear and angular momentum conservation in hydraulic jump in diverging channels

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## ABSTRACT

This paper addresses the integral conservation of linear and angular momentum in the steady hydraulic jump in a linearly diverging channel.

The flow is considered to be divided into a mainstream that conveys the total liquid discharge, and a roller where no average mass transport occurs. It is assumed that no macroscopic rheological relationship holds, so mass, momentum and angular momentum integral balances are independent relationships. Normal stresses are assumed to be hydrostatic on vertical, cylindrical surfaces. Viscous stresses are assumed to be negligible with respect to turbulent stresses. Assuming that the horizontal velocity distribution in the mainstream is uniform and that the horizontal momentum and angular momentum in the roller are negligible with respect to their mainstream counterparts, an analytical solution is obtained for the free surface profile of the flow. This solution is fundamental for finding the sequent depths and their positions. Consequently, it permits solving for the length of the jump, which is assumed to be equal to the length of the roller. Mainstream and roller thicknesses can also be derived from the present solution. This model may also be theoretically used to derive the average shear stresses exerted by the roller on the mainstream and the power losses per unit weight. This second relationship, which returns the well-known classical expression for total power loss in the jump, demonstrates that the strongly idealized mechanical model proposed here is internally consistent.

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## 1. Introduction

The importance of the hydraulic jump for environmental hydraulics and hydraulic engineering is well known. This phenomenon is highly relevant in both fluid mechanics and classical hydraulics. From the point of view of mathematical analysis of shallow water equations, a hydraulic jump represents a singularity that breaks the solution continuity and completely changes the role of the boundary conditions. If a jump occurs, both upstream and downstream boundary conditions influence water elevation [1].

This work addresses a classical problem in applied hydraulics. It is inspired by the work of the first author [2], who identified the problem of unbalanced angular momentum in the hydraulic jump for wide rectangular channels. In several applications, a diverging channel is used to force the jump in shorter lengths and to increase control over the position of the jump.

Many works in the available literature concern small-scale problems that are dominated by viscosity and surface tension

(see, for example [3], and the reference therein). In contrast, this paper focuses on fully developed turbulent flow over a smooth bottom with negligible surface tension and viscosity effects. The studied case has important applications for large-scale hydraulic engineering because it pertains to the radial flow in stilling basins more than the small jump created in the laboratory.

Basic theoretical and experimental analyses of the hydraulic jump are based on the fundamental studies by Bakhmeteff and Matzke [4] and Rouse et al. [5]. Recent work has incorporated modern flow visualization and laser Doppler anemometry techniques [6–8]. A more extensive review can be found in [2].

From a large-scale point of view, it is worth noting that a huge amount of scientific literature has been recently published concerning one- or two-dimensional numerical schemes for simulating steady jump and moving bore propagation (i.e., [9–11]). Nevertheless, it is important to recall that all of these schemes necessarily treated a bore as a step with vanishing length. In fact, the less a numerical method introduces diffusion effects, the more it can be considered a good, high-resolution method.

The present approach provides unique physical insights on the phenomenon and its spatial development despite the fact that an exhaustive treatment of turbulence is completely omitted. This work follows the typical approach of the hydraulic engineering community, in which turbulence effects are averaged over both a

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## Nomenclature

$\mathbf{e}_r$	unit vector, $r$ direction	$\mathcal{F}_s$	non-dimensional static force in a generic position [0]
$\mathbf{e}_z$	unit vector, $z$ direction	$F_{RSx}$	horizontal force acting on the mainstream from the roller [N]
$\mathbf{v}$	velocity vector [m/s]	$F_{RSz}$	vertical force acting on the mainstream from the roller [N]
$a_\chi$	non-dimensional constant in Eq. (49) [0]	$\mathcal{F}_L$	non-dimensional force exerted by the lateral walls [0]
$b$	typical distance from the origin of the action line of vertical forces [m]	$\mathcal{F}_t$	non-dimensional total force through a section [0]
$g$	gravity acceleration [ $\text{m}^2/\text{s}$ ]	$H$	total(=piezometric + kinetic) head of the flow [m]
$p$	pressure [Pa]	$\mathcal{I}$	non dimensional total force due to the lateral walls [0]
$p_{RS}$	pressure exerted on the mainstream by the roller [Pa]	$M_R$	roller momentum flux [N]
$q$	generic distributed quantity, see Fig. 1	$M_S$	mainstream momentum flux [N]
$r$	radial coordinate [m]	$M_{Rz}$	vertical momentum crossing the roller [N]
$r_c$	critical radius [m]	$M_{Sz}$	vertical momentum crossing the mainstream [N]
$s$	streamline dividing the mainstream from the roller [m]	$M_z$	vertical momentum crossing the whole stream [N]
$t$	dummy variable in Eq. (85) [0]	$O$	pole for angular momenta
$v_r$	radial velocity [m/s]	$U$	cross section averaged velocity [m/s]
$v_z$	vertical velocity [m/s]	$Q$	liquid discharge [ $\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ ]
$v_\theta$	tangential velocity [m/s]	$\mathcal{Q}$	generic integral quantity, see Fig. 1
$x$	axial coordinate [m]	$R$	(vertical) reaction force on the mainstream from the bottom [N]
$y$	non-dimensional depth [0]	$T$	(vertical) total tangential forces on vertical sections [N]
$y_1$	upstream non-dimensional depth [0]	$T_R$	(vertical) total tangential forces on vertical sections of the roller [N]
$y_2$	downstream non-dimensional depth [0]	$T_S$	(vertical) total tangential forces on vertical sections of the mainstream [N]
$y_{10}$	guess value of upstream non-dimensional depth [0]	$W$	(vertical) mass force on the whole depth [N]
$y_{20}$	guess value of downstream non-dimensional depth [0]	$W_R$	(vertical) mass force on the roller [N]
$z$	vertical coordinate [m]	$W_S$	(vertical) mass force on the mainstream [N]
$A_M$	moment of longitudinal momentum crossing the whole depth [N m]	$Y$	current depth [m]
$A_{M_R}$	moment of longitudinal momentum crossing the roller [N m]	$Y_1$	upstream depth of the jump [m]
$A_{M_S}$	moment of longitudinal momentum crossing the mainstream [N m]	$Y_2$	downstream depth of the jump [m]
$A_{M_z}$	moment of vertical momentum crossing the whole stream [N m]	$Y_c$	critical depth [m]
$A_{M_{Rz}}$	moment of vertical momentum crossing the roller [N m]	$V$	volume of the whole stream inside the jump [ $\text{m}^3$ ]
$A_{M_{Sz}}$	moment of vertical momentum crossing the mainstream [N m]	$V_R$	volume of the roller inside the jump [ $\text{m}^3$ ]
$A_{F_{RSx}}$	moment of the horizontal forces acting on the mainstream by the roller [N m]	$V_S$	volume of the mainstream inside the jump [ $\text{m}^3$ ]
$A_{F_{RSz}}$	moment of the vertical forces acting on the mainstream by the roller [N m]	$\mathcal{V}$	non-dimensional volume of the whole stream inside the jump [0]
$A_T$	moment of vertical tangential stress on the whole stream [N m]	$\mathcal{V}_R$	non-dimensional volume of the roller inside the jump [0]
$A_{T_R}$	moment of vertical tangential stress on the roller [N m]	$\mathcal{V}_S$	non-dimensional volume of the mainstream inside the jump [0]
$A_{T_S}$	moment of vertical tangential stress on the mainstream [N m]	$\alpha$	half angular amplitude of the channel [0]
$A_\Pi$	moment on the whole stream due to the pressure force [N m]	$\alpha_1$	parameter in Eqs. (A.7) and (A.8) [0]
$A_{\Pi_L}$	moment on the whole stream due to the pressure force by the lateral walls [N m]	$\alpha_2$	parameter in Eqs. (A.7) and (A.8) [0]
$A_{\Pi_{LR}}$	moment on the roller due to the pressure force by the lateral walls [N m]	$\tan(\beta)$	jump local steepness [0]
$A_{\Pi_{LS}}$	moment on the mainstream due to the pressure force by the lateral walls [N m]	$\tan(\beta_1)$	jump local steepness at the upstream section of the jump [0]
$A_{\Pi_R}$	moment on the roller due to the pressure force [N m]	$\beta_s$	momentum coefficient for the mainstream flow [0]
$A_{\Pi_S}$	moment on the mainstream due to the pressure force [N m]	$\gamma$	specific weight of the fluid [ $\text{N}/\text{m}^3$ ]
$C$	constant in Eq. (73)	$\chi$	non-dimensional constant in Eq. (19) [0]
$C_1$	non-dimensional constant in Eq. (83) [0]	$\delta$	roller thickness [m]
$E$	specific energy of the flow [m]	$\eta$	mainstream thickness [m]
$E_1$	upstream specific energy [m]	$\rho$	density of the fluid [ $\text{kg}/\text{m}^3$ ]
$E_2$	downstream specific energy [m]	$\sigma$	non dimensional roller thickness [0]
$Fr$	Froude number of the flow [0]	$\bar{\tau}$	vertically averaged tangential stress on vertical sections [Pa]
$Fr_1$	upstream Froude number [0]	$\tau_{rz}$	$z$ -component of the local turbulent stress on a cylindrical surface normal to $\mathbf{e}_r$ [Pa]
$Fr_{20}$	guess value of downstream Froude number [0]	$\tau_{RS}$	total tangential stress exerted on the mainstream by the roller [Pa]
$\mathcal{F}_1$	non-dimensional total force of the flow at the upstream jump position [0]	$\bar{\tau}_R$	vertically averaged tangential stress on the roller [Pa]
		$\bar{\tau}_S$	vertically averaged tangential stress on the mainstream [Pa]
		$\theta$	angular coordinate [0]
		$\zeta$	non-dimensional radius [0]

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