

Complete solutions to Exercise 15(b)

1. We have $I = \frac{1}{12}bd^3$ where I is a function of b and d .

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial b} = \frac{1}{12}d^3 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial I}{\partial d} = \frac{3}{12}bd^2$$

We need to find ΔI . By (15.8)

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta I &\approx \frac{\partial I}{\partial b} \Delta b + \frac{\partial I}{\partial d} \Delta d \\ &= \frac{1}{12} [d^3 \Delta b + 3bd^2 \Delta d] \end{aligned}$$

We are given $b = 5$, $d = 0.8$, $\Delta b = 0.05$ and $\Delta d = 0.008$. Substituting these gives

$$\Delta I \approx \frac{1}{12} [(0.8^3 \times 0.05) + (3 \times 5 \times 0.8^2 \times 0.008)] = 0.00853$$

The approximate error in I is 0.00853m^4

2. Given $G = \frac{R^4\theta}{L}$ we need to find ΔG . Note that G is a function of

R , θ and L . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta G &\approx \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial R}\right) \Delta R + \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial \theta}\right) \Delta \theta + \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial L}\right) \Delta L \\ &= \left(\frac{4R^3\theta}{L}\right) \Delta R + \left(\frac{R^4}{L}\right) \Delta \theta - \left(\frac{R^4\theta}{L^2}\right) \Delta L \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

The percentage changes can be represented by

$$\Delta R = -0.005R, \quad \Delta \theta = 0.02\theta \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta L = 0.015L$$

Substituting these into (*) gives

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta G &\approx \frac{4R^3\theta}{L}(-0.005R) + \frac{R^4}{L}(0.02\theta) - \frac{R^4\theta}{L^2}(0.015L) \\ &= \frac{R^4\theta}{L} [4 \times (-0.005) + 0.02 - 0.015] \quad (\text{factorizing}) \\ &= G[-0.015] \end{aligned}$$

The approximate percentage change in G is a reduction of 1.5%.

3. Q is function of A and h . By (15.8)

$$\Delta Q \approx \frac{\partial Q}{\partial A} \Delta A + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial h} \Delta h \quad (*)$$

We can rewrite Q as

$$Q = \underbrace{(0.7\sqrt{2g})}_{\text{constant}} A \sqrt{h} = (0.7\sqrt{2g}) Ah^{1/2}$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial A} = 0.7\sqrt{2g}\sqrt{h} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial Q}{\partial h} = \frac{1}{2}(0.7\sqrt{2g}) Ah^{-1/2} = \frac{(0.7\sqrt{2g})A}{2\sqrt{h}}$$

(15.8)

$$\Delta z \approx \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Delta x + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \Delta y$$

Substituting these into (*) gives

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta Q &\approx 0.7\sqrt{2g} \left[\sqrt{h}\Delta A + \frac{A}{2\sqrt{h}}\Delta h \right] \\ &\stackrel{\substack{\text{substituting} \\ \text{the given values}}}{=} 0.7\sqrt{2 \times 9.81} \left[\sqrt{1.75}(0.2 \times 10^{-3}) + \frac{2 \times 10^{-3}}{2 \times \sqrt{1.75}}(-0.25) \right] \\ &= 2.34 \times 10^{-4}\end{aligned}$$

The discharge rate, Q , is increased by approximately $(2.34 \times 10^{-4}) \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$.

4. We need to find Δf . Also f is a function of L and C . By (15.8)

$$\Delta f \approx \frac{\partial f}{\partial L} \Delta L + \frac{\partial f}{\partial C} \Delta C \quad (*)$$

The percentage change can be represented by

$$\Delta L = \frac{-1.5}{100} \times L = -0.015L, \quad \Delta C = -\frac{0.5}{100} \times C = -0.005C$$

Putting these into (*) gives

$$\Delta f \approx \frac{\partial f}{\partial L}(-0.015L) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial C}(-0.005C) \quad (\dagger)$$

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} L^{-1/2} C^{-1/2}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial L} = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} L^{-3/2} C^{-1/2} = -\frac{1}{4\pi L^{3/2} C^{1/2}} = -\frac{1}{4\pi L L^{1/2} C^{1/2}}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial L} = -\frac{1}{4\pi L\sqrt{LC}}$$

Similarly

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial C} = -\frac{1}{4\pi C\sqrt{LC}}$$

Substituting $\frac{\partial f}{\partial L} = -\frac{1}{4\pi L\sqrt{LC}}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial C} = -\frac{1}{4\pi C\sqrt{LC}}$ into (\dagger) gives

$$\Delta f \approx -\frac{1}{4\pi L\sqrt{LC}}(-0.015L) - \frac{1}{4\pi C\sqrt{LC}}(-0.005C)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}} \left(\frac{0.015}{2} + \frac{0.005}{2} \right)$$

$$= f(0.01) \quad \left(\text{remember } \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}} = f \right)$$

$$\Delta f \approx 0.01f$$

The approximate percentage change in f is 1%.

5. L is a function of C , ρ , V and A that is $L = f(C, \rho, V, A)$. We have

$$\Delta L \approx \frac{\partial L}{\partial C} \Delta C + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \rho} \Delta \rho + \frac{\partial L}{\partial V} \Delta V + \frac{\partial L}{\partial A} \Delta A \quad (\dagger)$$

The given percentages can be written as

$$\Delta C = \pm 0.01C, \quad \Delta \rho = \pm 0.005\rho, \quad \Delta V = \pm 0.006V \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta A = \pm 0.001A$$

Need to find $\frac{\partial L}{\partial C}$, $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \rho}$, $\frac{\partial L}{\partial V}$ and $\frac{\partial L}{\partial A}$

$$L = \frac{C\rho V^2 A}{2}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial C} = \frac{\rho V^2 A}{2}, \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial \rho} = \frac{CV^2 A}{2}, \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial V} = \frac{2C\rho VA}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial A} = \frac{C\rho V^2}{2}$$

Substituting all these into (†) and taking the positive change for largest error gives

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta L &\approx \frac{\rho V^2 A}{2}(0.01C) + \frac{CV^2 A}{2}(0.005\rho) + \frac{2C\rho VA}{2}(0.006V) + \frac{C\rho V^2}{2}(0.001A) \\ &= \frac{\rho V^2 AC}{2}(0.01) + \frac{\rho V^2 AC}{2}(0.005) + \frac{2\rho V^2 AC}{2}(0.006) + \frac{\rho V^2 AC}{2}(0.001) \\ &\stackrel{\text{factorizing}}{=} \frac{\rho V^2 AC}{2} [0.01 + 0.005 + (2 \times 0.006) + 0.001] \\ &= L(0.028) = 0.028L \end{aligned}$$

The largest percentage error in L is 2.8%.

6. By transposing formula we have $\eta = \frac{p\pi d^4}{128QL}$. Hence η is a function of p , d , Q and L

$$\Delta\eta \approx \frac{\partial\eta}{\partial p}\Delta p + \frac{\partial\eta}{\partial d}\Delta d + \frac{\partial\eta}{\partial Q}\Delta Q + \frac{\partial\eta}{\partial L}\Delta L \quad (\dagger)$$

The percentage errors can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta p &= \pm \frac{1.1}{100} p = \pm 0.011p, \quad \Delta Q = \pm \frac{0.5}{100} Q = \pm 0.005Q, \\ \Delta L &= \pm \frac{0.3}{100} L = \pm 0.003L \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta d = \pm \frac{0.1}{100} d = \pm 0.001d \end{aligned}$$

Partially differentiating $\eta = \frac{p\pi d^4}{128QL}$ we have

$$\frac{\partial\eta}{\partial p} = \frac{\pi d^4}{128QL}$$

$$\frac{\partial\eta}{\partial d} = \frac{4p\pi d^3}{128QL}$$

$$\frac{\partial\eta}{\partial Q} = -\frac{p\pi d^4}{128Q^2L}$$

$$\frac{\partial\eta}{\partial L} = -\frac{p\pi d^4}{128QL^2}$$

Substituting all these into $\Delta\eta \approx \frac{\partial\eta}{\partial p}\Delta p + \frac{\partial\eta}{\partial d}\Delta d + \frac{\partial\eta}{\partial Q}\Delta Q + \frac{\partial\eta}{\partial L}\Delta L$ gives

$$\Delta\eta \approx \frac{\pi d^4}{128QL}(\pm 0.011p) + \frac{4p\pi d^3}{128QL}(\pm 0.001d) - \frac{p\pi d^4}{128Q^2L}(\pm 0.005Q) - \frac{p\pi d^4}{128QL^2}(\pm 0.003L)$$

For maximum error we let the first 2 terms on the right hand side be positive and last 2 terms be negative so that we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\eta &\approx \frac{0.011p\pi d^4}{128QL} + \frac{0.004p\pi d^4}{128QL} + \frac{0.005p\pi d^4}{128QL} + \frac{0.003p\pi d^4}{128QL} \\ &= \frac{p\pi d^4}{128QL} [0.011 + 0.004 + 0.005 + 0.003] \\ &= \eta [0.023] \\ \Delta\eta &\approx 0.023\eta\end{aligned}$$

The maximum percentage error is 2.3%.

7. T is a function of P and V . Applying (15.9) to $T = \frac{PV}{R}$ gives

$$dT = \frac{\partial T}{\partial P} dP + \frac{\partial T}{\partial V} dV \quad (*)$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial P} = \frac{V}{R} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial T}{\partial V} = \frac{P}{R}$$

Hence (*) becomes

$$dT = \frac{V}{R} dP + \frac{P}{R} dV$$

$$= \frac{VdP + PdV}{R}$$
