

Answer on Question#37655, Physics, Other

Question:

Water is flowing down through the pipe shown in the drawing. Point A is 0.410 m higher than B. The speed of the water at A and B are $v_A = 5.00$ m/s and $v_B = 2.78$ m/s. Determine the difference $P_B - P_A$ in pressures between B and A. The density of water is 1.00×10^3 kg/m³.

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Answer:

Bernoulli's principle can be expressed as a mathematical equation:

$$\frac{v^2}{2} + gh + \frac{p}{\rho} = \text{const}$$

where v is the water streams speed, g is the acceleration due to gravity, h is the height, p is the pressure, and ρ is the density of the water.

In our case:

$$\frac{v_A^2}{2} + gh_A + \frac{p_A}{\rho} = \frac{v_B^2}{2} + gh_B + \frac{p_B}{\rho}$$

Therefore:

$$p_B - p_A = \rho \left(\frac{v_A^2}{2} - \frac{v_B^2}{2} + g(h_A - h_B) \right) = 12700 \text{ Pa} = 12.7 \text{ kPa}$$

Answer: 12.7 kPa