

CONVERSION FOR SYSTEM EQUATION

SYSTEM CURVE EQUATION

$$h_p = \Delta Z + KQ^2 \quad \text{WHERE } Q \text{ IS IN CFS (1)}$$

(1) IS ACTUALLY USED WITH Q IN gpm.

THUS

theory

$$\Delta Z + K Q^2$$

↑
(ft³/s)²

practice

$$\Delta Z + C \cdot K Q^2$$

↑
(gpm)²

SOLVING FOR THE CONVERSION CONSTANT, C,

YIELDS

$$C = \frac{[Q \text{ (ft}^3/\text{s)}]^2}{[Q \text{ (gpm)}]^2}$$

converts
practice
to
theory

$$= \left(\frac{1 \text{ ft}^3/\text{s}}{448.8 \text{ gpm}} \right)^2$$

$$= 4.96 \cdot 10^{-6}$$

$$\text{so } h_p = \Delta Z + 4.96 \cdot 10^{-6} K (Q_{\text{gpm}})^2$$

$$\frac{\cancel{\text{ft}^3}}{\cancel{\text{s}}} \times \frac{60 \cancel{\text{s}}}{\text{min}} \times \frac{7.48 \text{ gal}}{\cancel{\text{ft}^3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \frac{\text{ft}^3}{\text{s}} = 448.8 \text{ gpm}$$