ROSE-HULMAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Sophomore Engineering Curriculum

ES 202

Fluid and Thermal Systems

Supplementary Homework Problem (HW Set 21)

Due at the beginning of Lecture 23

Drag analysis over the entry length of a circular pipe

At the entrance of a circular pipe, a flow develops from a uniform velocity, U_o , at the inlet station (1) to a fullydeveloped parabolic profile

$$u(r) = U_{\text{max}}\left(1 - \frac{r^2}{R^2}\right)$$
 at outlet station (2).

In this problem, your goal is to determine the <u>total drag force</u> on the pipe over this entry length section. The solution strategy will follow a 3-step guided approach.



- a) Express U_{max} in terms of U_o .
- b) Determine the pressure drop from Station 1 to Station 2, *i.e.* $P_1 P_2$.
- c) Determine the total drag force on the pipe over the entry length section.