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## 1.061/1.61: Homework # 5 [10 pt total]

### Problem 1 [5 pts]

Consider a fluid system with a linear distribution of concentration,  $C(y) = C_0 - by$ . Turbulent energy is added to the system through an array of mechanical mixers which produces turbulent fluctuations ( $u'$ ,  $v'$ ,  $w'$ ) and eddy scales ( $l_x$ ,  $l_y$ ,  $l_z$ ) which are homogeneous and isotropic. Make a set of four graphs, one for each of the following quantities.

- magnitude of turbulent fluctuation  $v'$
- turbulence length scale,  $l_y$
- turbulence correlation  $\overline{v' C'}$
- turbulent diffusivity  $D_y(y)$

On each graph compare the following two cases.

Case 1. The system is completely unbounded.

Case 2. A solid boundary exists at  $y = 0$ .

### Problem 2 [5 pts]

Consider a river that is  $h = 2.0$ -m deep and  $b = 10$ -m wide. The flow,  $U = 1.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ , is spatially uniform. As part of a nutrient enrichment study you will release a slug of nutrient rich water into the stream using a discharge of  $2.0 \text{ gs}^{-1}$  that is left on for 10s. The discharge will be at mid-depth and against the bank ( $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $z = h/2$ ). The side walls, bed, and water surface are all no-flux boundaries. The turbulent diffusion in the river is homogeneous but anisotropic:  $D_x = 1 \text{ m}^2\text{s}^{-1}$ ,  $D_y = 0.1 \text{ m}^2\text{s}^{-1}$ , and  $D_z = 0.05 \text{ m}^2\text{s}^{-1}$ . You are interested in two particular field sites located downstream at  $L1 = 500\text{m}$  and  $L2 = 2000\text{m}$ .

- Write an expression in variable form that describes the concentration at each site. Clearly state and justify each assumption. Include a sketch that defines the coordinate system.
- What is the peak concentration experienced at each site?

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Begin by reading the following three articles. Then find an additional related article, preferably a more recent article, e.g. using the Web of Science citation search. Compare and summarize the articles in **no more than 2 pages of prose**.

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