

Analysis on Centrifugal Pump Performance in Single, Serial, and Parallel

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Abstract

The pump is a tool to provide the mechanical energy to the liquid in the pump constant fluid density and large. In terms of mechanism, the pump is divided into three types, namely, rotary pumps, pump the shaft/piston and centrifugal pumps. The use of the pump are the most widely used either in the household or in the environment industry. In the centrifugal pumps, there are losses – losses among other head losses. To find the head losses among other data needs head on the pump, the pump and the discharge flow rate of the pump. Head is defined as energy per unit weight of the fluid. The head of the unit (H) meters or feet is fluid. In the pump, the head is measured by calculating the difference between the total pressure of the suction pipe and the pipe press, when measurement is done at the same height. For single full pump openings $0,00246 \text{ m}^3 \text{ \ s}$, valve openings $\frac{3}{4}$ $0,00210$ and aperture of $\frac{1}{2}$ $0,00177 \text{ m}^3 \text{ \ s}$ can be concluded the discharge of water at the pump the larger the opening of the valve the greater the discharge of its water. Moreover, vice versa, if the opening of the valve is getting smaller then the water debit is getting smaller. For full opening valves $3,11 \text{ m} / \text{ s}$, for openings $\frac{3}{4}$ $2,65 \text{ m} / \text{ s}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ $2,23 \text{ m} / \text{ s}$ open valve openings. For the flow, the larger valve opening the greater flow rate would be and, vice versa, the smaller valve opening the smaller flow rate would be. Single centrifugal pump full valve openings $0.409 \text{ kg} / \text{ cm}^2$, the opening of the valve $\frac{3}{4}$ $0,209 \text{ kg} / \text{ cm}^2$ and the opening of the valve $\frac{1}{2}$ $00,069 \text{ kg} / \text{ cm}^2$ resulted the smaller opening valve the smaller the head as well, and the greater valve opening, the bigger head in the can.

Keywords: pump system; valve; head

1. INTRODUCTION

Centrifugal pump is kinetic machine to transform mechanical to hydraulic energy through centrifugal activity, fluid pressure in the pump. Furthermore, even centrifugal pump is simple industrial equipment, yet it is mostly needed [1]. Making the pump meets the specification as it is planned; it must have tests on its specification [2]. This pump is used for medium- to high-head with medium flow capacity. In its application, centrifugal pump is widely used for water filling process to kettle and household pump. Parts of centrifugal pump are *stuffing box, packing, shaft, shaft sleeve, vane, casing, eye of impeller, impeller, casing wear ring and discharge nozzle*.



Figure 1. Longitudinal cross section of centrifugal pump

1.1 Head

Pump head is pump ability to transport fluid to different height or it is pump ability to transport fluid to different distance. Mechanically, pump head written as follow [3]. Pressure head written in formulation as follow:

$$\frac{P}{\gamma} = \frac{P_d}{\gamma} - \frac{P_s}{\gamma} \quad (1)$$

Where

h_p = head press (m)

p_d = absolute outlet pressure (N/m²)

p_s = absolute inlet pressure (N/m²)

1.2 V – Notch Weir

In calculating debit on conduit, it uses v-notch weir. It is located on the notch with right triangle form. It measures outlet water flow with height parameter on v-notch weir.

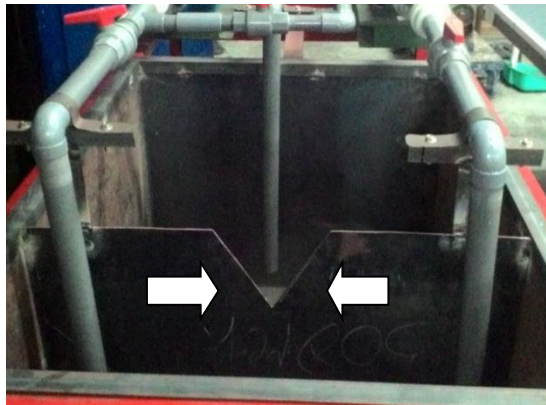


Figure 2. V-notch weir

Formulation used to calculate debit on v-notch weir is [4]:

v-notch formulation

$$Q = \frac{8}{15} \sqrt{2 \cdot g} \tan \frac{\theta}{2} H^{\frac{5}{2}} \quad (2)$$

Where:

Q = water debit

g = gravity velocity

θ = notch angle

H = water notch height on v-notch weir

1.3 Fluid Flow Speed

Calculating fluid flow rate used fluid flow debit as follow [5]:

$$Q = v \cdot A \left(\frac{m^3}{s} \right) \quad (3)$$

Where:

v = fluid flow rate

A = plumbing cross-sectional area

Furthermore, to calculate the flow rate, the formulation is reversed:

$$v = \frac{Q}{A} \quad (4)$$

Where:

V = fluid flow rate

A = plumbing cross-sectional area

Cross-sectional area could be calculated by the following formulation:

$$A = \pi (r)^2 \quad (5)$$

Where:

A = cross-sectional area

r = plumbing radius

1.4 Reynolds number

Reynolds number is ratio between inertia to viscosity that quantify the correlation of the both with a condition of current flow, this number is used to identify the kind of different flow; for example laminar and turbulence [6].

This Reynolds number explains fluid flow profile in pipe, namely:

- Laminar flow of $Re < 2300$
- Transition flow of $2300 < Re < 4000$
- Turbulence flow of $Re > 4000$

Reynolds number to determine fluid flow within pipe is [6]:

Reynolds number (Re):

$$Re = \frac{\rho \cdot V \cdot D}{\nu} \quad (6)$$

Where:

ρ = density (kg/m^3) where water is 1000

V = flow rate (m^3/s)

D = pipe diameter (m)

ν = kinematic viscosity (m^2/s)

1.5 Head Losses

To calculate friction loss between pipe wall and fluid flow without change on cross-sectional area in pipe, it can use Darcy formulation that mathematically is written as follow [7]:

$$Hl = f \frac{L \cdot v^2}{D(2g)} \quad (7)$$

Where:

Hl = head losses

f = friction coefficient ($\frac{64}{Re}$)

L = pipe length (m)

V = flow rate in pipe ($\frac{m}{s}$)

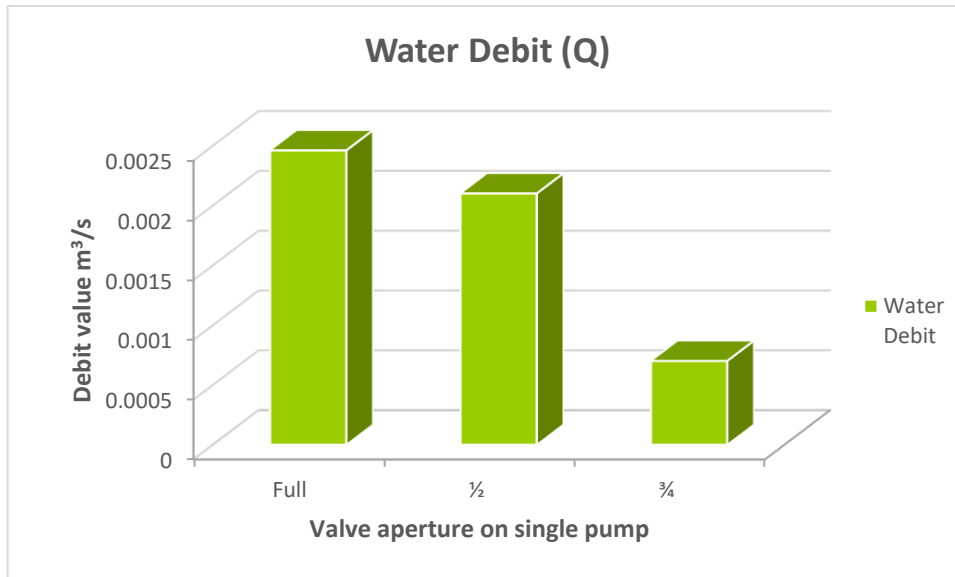
D = pipe diameter (m)

g = gravitation acceleration (m/s^2)

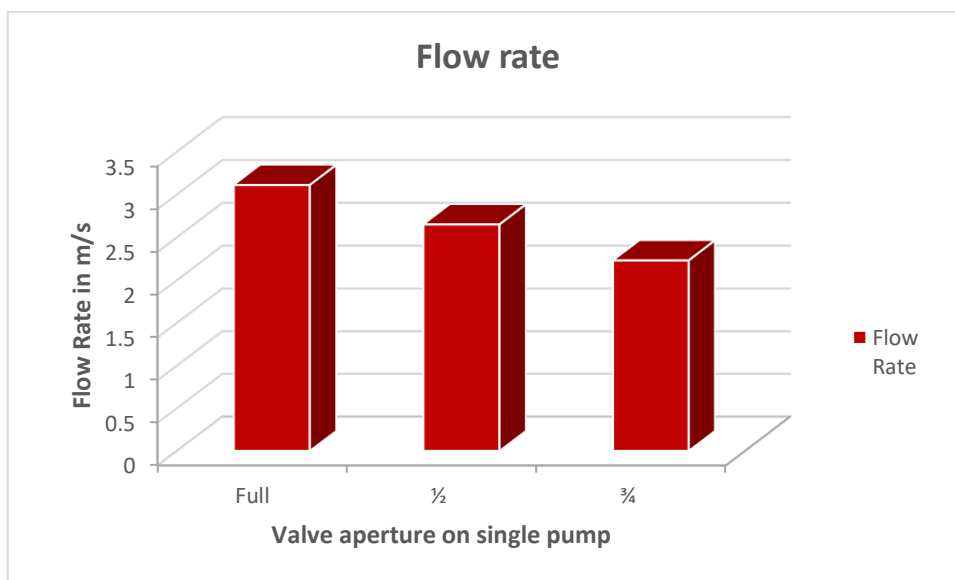
2. METHOD

This chapter is going to explain method in relation to:

1. Planning and building simulation apparatus to test single, serial, and parallel pump. Planning testing instrument is preparing installation to obtain parallel and serial pump structure. The designed pump is as depicted in Figure 3.



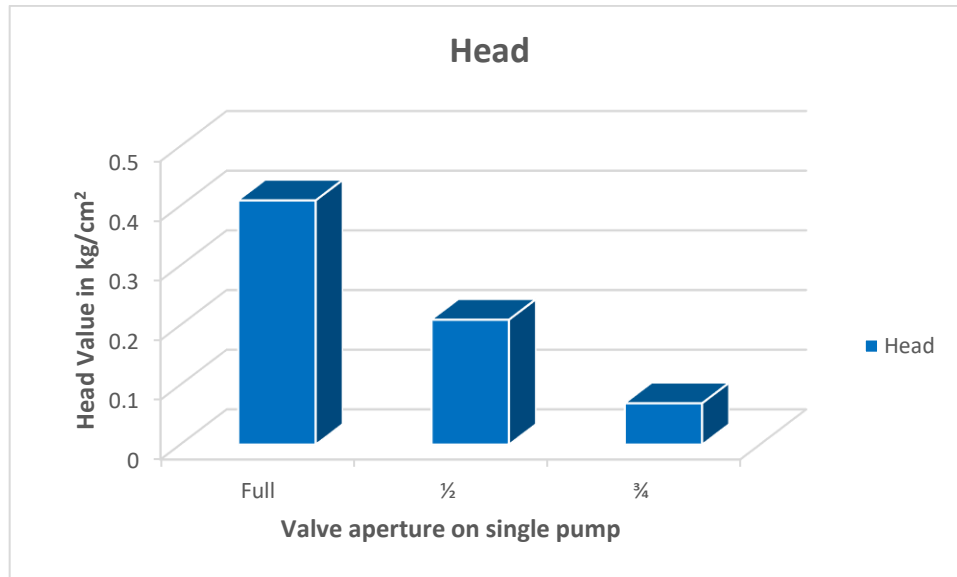
Graphic 1. Water debit on single installation pump



Graphic 2. Flow rate on single pump

Data on graphic 1 shows that full aperture has 0.00246 m³/s of water debit, while 3/4 valve aperture has 0.00210 m³/s of water debit and 1/2 valve aperture has 0.00177 m³/s of water debit. This data shows that the wider valve aperture results higher water debit. In vice versa, the smaller valve aperture, the lower water debit.

In graphic 2, data on flow velocity shows that full valve aperture results 3,11 m/s of flow velocity, while for 3/4 valve aperture, it results 2,65 m/s of flow velocity and 1/2 valve aperture results 2,23 m/s of flow velocity. Flow velocity increases with valve aperture. The higher valve aperture, the higher flow velocity and, vice versa, the smaller valve aperture, the smaller flow velocity.



Graphic 3. Head on single pump

Based on graphic 3 head in full valve aperture is 0,409 kg/cm², while in 3/4 valve aperture the head is 0,209 kg/cm² and in 1/2 valve aperture the head is 0,069 kg/cm². It explains that the smaller valve aperture, the smaller the head and the wider valve aperture, the bigger head obtained.

3.2 Serial Centrifugal Pump

Result of centrifugal pump in serial shows in Table 2 below:

Table 2. Result of Pump in serial

Aperture	Suction pressure	Outlet pressure	Head	Debit	Fluid flow rate
Full	0.00003	0.18	0.17997	0.0021	2.26

3.3 Parallel Centrifugal Pump

Result of centrifugal pump in parallel shows in Table 3 below:

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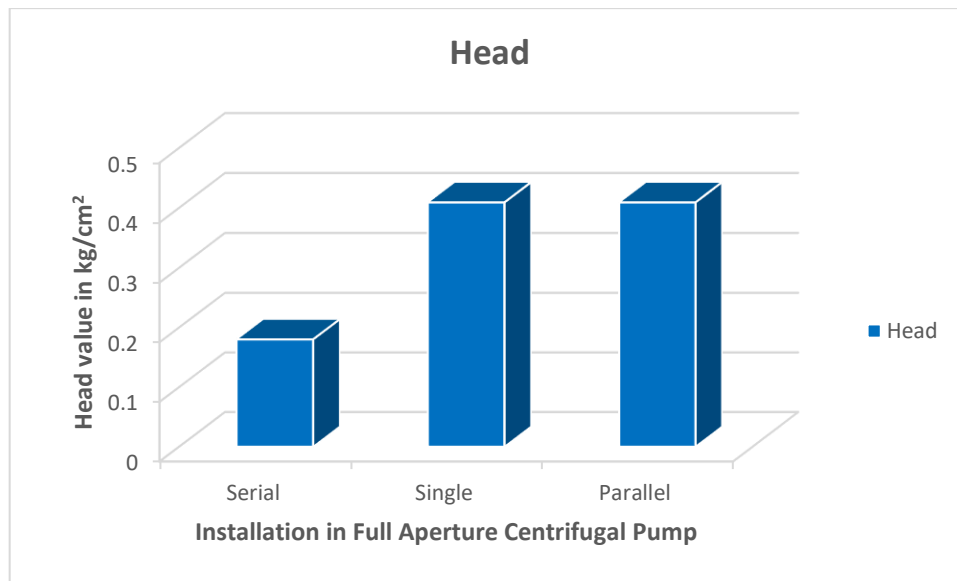
Aperture	Suction pressure	Outlet pressure	Head	Debit	Fluid flow rate
Full	0.001	0.41	0.409	0.0068	8.58

3.4 Comparison Result of Centrifugal Pump

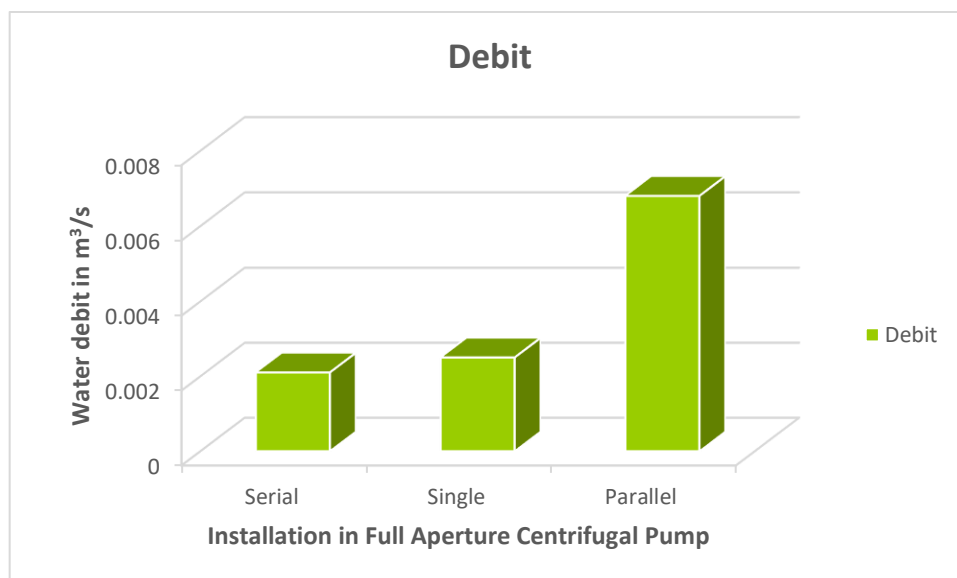
Based on the data of full aperture on centrifugal pump, table 4 below shows the difference of centrifugal pump in single, parallel, and serial.

Table 4. Comparison on Centrifugal Pump

Aperture	Head	Debit	Flow rate	Installation
Full	0.17997	0.0021	2.26	Serial
	0.409	0.0068	8.58	Parallel
	0.409	0.0025	3.11	Single



Graphic 4. Head in Full Aperture

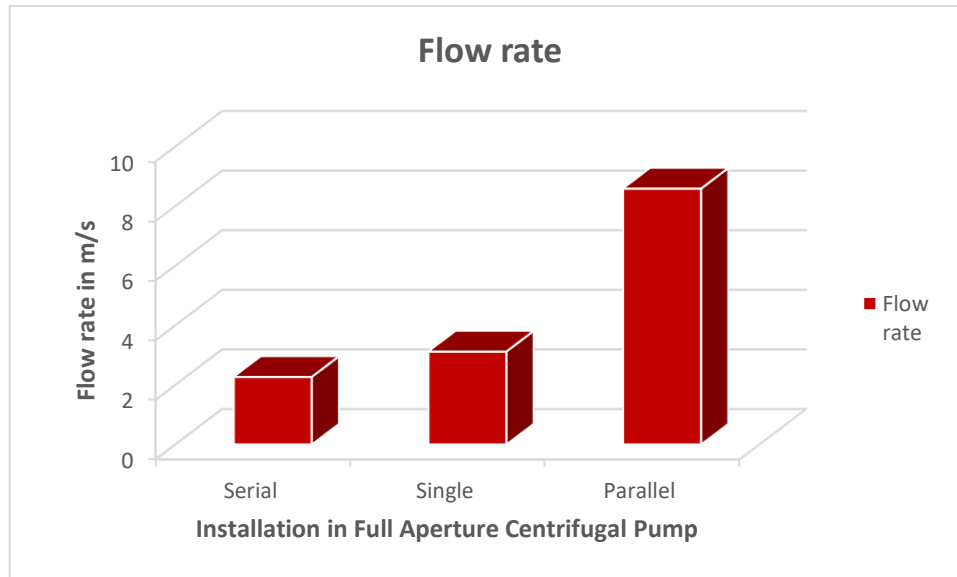


Graphic 5. Water Debit in Full Aperture

Graphic 4 shows head on parallel centrifugal pump is not achieving 0.2 kg/cm², while in serial and single centrifugal pump is the same in 0.4 kg/cm². It is as the result of piping in parallel installation only needs a pipe, while in serial, it needs 2 pipes.

In graphic 5 Debit on parallel centrifugal pump achieved 0.006 cm²/s while in serial and single centrifugal pump achieved almost the same in 0.002 kg/cm². It is because the pipe is only one, while in parallel, it uses 2 pipes.

As depicted in graphic 6, flow velocity shows higher value in parallel centrifugal pump. It is 8.58 m/s. Moreover, single centrifugal pump results flow velocity value under parallel pump. It is 3.11 m/s and the lowest is in serial centrifugal pump. It is 2.26 m/s.



Graphic 6. Fluid Flow Velocity in Full Aperture

4. CONCLUSION

This research was conducted to find out the performance of centrifugal pump in single, serial, and parallel with full aperture. Result of this research is as explained below.

Research shows that head in parallel centrifugal pump is not achieving 0.2 kg/cm^2 , while serial and single centrifugal pump resulted the same result in 0.4 kg/cm^2 . It is because there is only one inlet pipe in serial and single pump, while parallel pump used 2 pipes.

Debit on parallel centrifugal pump reached $0.006 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$, while serial and single centrifugal pump had almost the same value in 0.002 kg/cm^2 . It is because there is only one inlet pipe in serial and single pump, while parallel pump used 2 pipes.

Flow velocity value is bigger in parallel pump; it reaches 8.58 m/s , while single pump has lower value under parallel pump. It is 3.1 m/s . Moreover, the lowest is in serial pump. It is 2.26 m/s .

It is expected for further researcher to investigate further problem in this type of centrifugal pump.

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