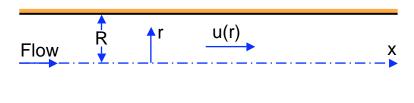
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## Problem 160E

Consider the fully developed pipe flow of an incompressible, non-Newtonian fluid :



This fluid is such that the normal stress in the x direction is equal to -p where p is the pressure and the shear stress,  $\sigma$ , is related to the velocity gradient by

$$\sigma = C \left( -\frac{du}{dr} \right)^4$$

where C is a known constant. Find the friction factor, f, for this pipe flow in terms of C,  $\rho$  (the fluid density) and R (the radius of the pipe).

[Note: Remember the definition

$$f = \frac{4R}{\rho \bar{u}^2} \left( -\frac{dp}{dx} \right)$$

where  $\bar{u}$  is the average velocity of flow in the pipe.]