## Problem 205D

A wind tunnel is constructed primarily of 6m. diameter piping arranged with four  $90^{\circ}$  elbows as shown in the sketch below.



The working section is 3 m in diameter and is preceded by a nozzle and followed by a diffuser. A fan is installed to create the flow and is 80% efficient. If the tunnel is to achieve an air velocity of 80 m/s in the working section, find the power which must be provided to the fan (in HP where 1  $HP = 746 \text{ kg } m^2/s^3$ ). Assume the following losses occur in the tunnel:

- 1. A loss in each of the four corner bends equivalent to a length of 20 diameters of the large piping.
- 2. A friction factor, f, of 0.02 in the 138 m of 6 m diameter pipe.
- 3. A total loss in the nozzle, working section and diffuser equivalent to one fifth of the velocity head ( the  $\frac{1}{2}\rho u^2$  ) in the working section.

Air at these speeds can be assumed essentially incompressible with a density of 1.2  $kg/m^3$ .