

Answer 5.1.

First, determine if the flow is laminar. The velocity in the tube is $U = Q/A = 0.1 \text{ cm/s}$. The diameter of the tube is $d = \sqrt{(4/\pi)A} = 1.13 \text{ cm}$. The Reynolds number is $Re = UD/\nu = (0.1 \text{ cm/s})(1.13 \text{ cm})/(0.01 \text{ cm}^2\text{s}^{-1}) = 11.3 \ll 2100$, the limit for laminar flow.

Here, $Pe = UL/D = (0.1 \text{ cm/s})(100 \text{ cm})/(10^{-5} \text{ cm}^2\text{s}^{-1}) = 10^6$. Since $Pe \gg 1$ the arrival of the dye at L can be estimated by $L/U = 1000 \text{ s}$. At this time the dye patch will have a length, $4\sigma = 4\sqrt{2Dt} = 4\sqrt{2(10^{-5} \text{ cm}^2\text{s}^{-1})(1000\text{s})} = 0.57 \text{ cm}$. The maximum concentration will occur when the center of mass passes that point, i.e. at $t = L/U$. So, the maximum concentration will be C ($x = L$, $t = L/U = 1000\text{s}$). Since the mass mixes instantly across the cross-section, and the flow is uniform across the section, the system is effectively one dimensional. The concentration resulting from an instantaneous point release is

$$C(x, t) = \frac{M}{A_{yz}\sqrt{4\pi Dt}} \exp(-(x - ut)^2/4Dt).$$

Evaluated at $x = L$ and $t = L/U$, we have C ($x = L$, $t = L/U$) =

$$\frac{M}{A\sqrt{4\pi DL/U}} = \frac{1 \text{ g}}{1\text{cm}^2\sqrt{4\pi(10^{-5} \text{ cm}^2\text{s}^{-1})(100 \text{ cm})/(0.1 \text{ cm/s})}} = 28.2 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$$