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8.2 Water flows through a 50-ft pipe with a 0.5-in. diameter at 5 gal/min. What fraction of this pipe can be considered an entrance region?

Based on Tables 1.3 & 1.4

$$5 \text{ gal/min} = 1.11 \times 10^{-2} \text{ ft}^3/\text{s}$$

Determine  $Re$

$$V = Q/A = \frac{1.11 \times 10^{-2}}{\frac{\pi}{4} \left(\frac{0.5}{12}\right)^2} = 8.17 \text{ ft/s}$$

$$Re = \frac{VD}{\nu} = \frac{(8.17) \left(\frac{0.5}{12}\right)}{1.21 \times 10^{-5}} = 2.81 \times 10^4$$

For turbulent flow

$$\frac{l_e}{D} = 4.4(Re)^{1/6}$$

$$l_e = \left(\frac{0.5}{12}\right) 4.4 (2.81 \times 10^4)^{1/6}$$

$$l_e = \underline{\underline{1.0 \text{ ft}}}$$