



Section	Area A	Wetted perimeter P	Hydraulic radius R	Top width W	Hydraulic depth D	Section factor Z
 Rectangle	by	$b + 2y$	$\frac{by}{b + 2y}$	b	y	$by^{1.5}$
 Trapezoid	$(b + xy)y$	$b + 2y\sqrt{1 + z^2}$	$\frac{(b + xy)y}{b + 2y\sqrt{1 + z^2}}$	$b + 2xy$	$\frac{(b + xy)y}{b + 2xy}$	$\frac{[(b + xy)y]^{1.5}}{\sqrt{b + 2xy}}$
 Triangle	xy^2	$2y\sqrt{1 + z^2}$	$\frac{xy}{2\sqrt{1 + z^2}}$	$2xy$	$1/3y$	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}xy^{1.5}$
 Circle	$1/8(\theta \sin \theta) D^2 y^2$	$1/2 \theta d$	$1/4 (1D \sin^2 \theta) d$	$(\sin(1/2 \theta) d) d$ or $2\sqrt{y} (d^2 y)$	$1/8 \left(\frac{\theta D \sin \theta}{\sin 1/2 \theta} \right) d$	$\frac{\sqrt{2} (\theta D \sin \theta)^{1.5} d^{2.5}}{32 (\sin 1/2 \theta)^{0.5} \theta}$
 Parabola	$1/3 2y^2$	$T + \frac{8y^2}{3T}$	$\frac{2T^3 y}{3T^3 + 8y^2}$	$\frac{3A}{2y}$	$2/3 y$	$2/9 \sqrt{63} y^{1.5}$
 Rounded-corner Rectangle (R-C)	$(\frac{1}{2} D 2)r^2 + (b + 2r)y$	$(\neq D 2)r + b + 2y$	$\frac{(\frac{1}{2} D 2)r^2 + (b + 2r)y}{(\neq D 2)r + b + 2y}$	$b + 2r$	$\frac{(\frac{1}{2} D 2)r^2}{(b + 2r)} + y$	$\frac{[(\frac{1}{2} D 2)r^2 + (b + 2r)y]^{1.5}}{\sqrt{b + 2y}}$
 Rounded-bottom Triangle	$\frac{T^2}{4z} - \frac{r^2}{z} (1 - D \operatorname{arccot}^2 z)$	$\frac{T}{z} \sqrt{1 + z^2} - \frac{2r}{z} (1 - D \operatorname{arccot}^2 z)$	$\frac{A}{P}$	$2[z(yD + r) + r\sqrt{1 + z^2}]$	$\frac{A}{T}$	$A \sqrt{\frac{A}{T}}$

*Satisfactory approximation for the interval $0 < x < 1$, where $x = 4y/T$. When $x > 1$, use the exact expression $P = (\frac{1}{2}) [\sqrt{1 + x^2} + \frac{1}{2} \ln(x + \sqrt{1 + x^2})]$

Figure II-4.13. Geometric Elements of Common Sections