

Fundamentals of Control Valve Engineering

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Control valve

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Definitions

■ What Is A Control Valve?

The most common final control element in the process control industries is the control valve. The control valve manipulates a flowing fluid, such as gas, steam, water, or chemical compounds, to compensate for the load disturbance and keep the regulated process variable as close as possible to the desired set point.

The control valve assembly typically consists of the valve body, the internal trim parts, an actuator to provide the motive power to operate the valve, and a variety of additional valve accessories, which can include positioners, transducers, supply pressure regulators, manual operators, snubbers, or limit switches.

- **Actuator:**

A pneumatic, hydraulic, or electrically powered device that supplies force and motion to open or close a valve.

- **Accessory:**

A device that is mounted on the actuator to complement the actuator's function and make it a complete operating unit. Examples include positioners, supply pressure regulators, solenoids, and limit switches.

- **Capacity (Valve):**

The rate of flow through a valve under stated conditions.

- **I/P:**

Shorthand for current-to-pres-sure (I-to-P). Typically applied to input transducer modules.

- **Positioner:**

A position controller (servomechanism) that is mechanically connected to a moving part of a final control element or its actuator and that automatically adjusts its output to the actuator to maintain a desired position in proportion to the input signal.

- **Travel:**

The movement of the closure member from the closed position to an intermediate or rated full open position.

- **Trim:**

The internal components of a valve that modulate the flow of the controlled fluid.

- **Bonnet:**

The portion of the valve that contains the packing box and stem seal and can guide the stem. It provides the principal opening to the body cavity for assembly of internal parts or it can be an integral part of the valve body. It can also provide for the attachment of the actuator to the valve body. Typical bonnets are bolted, threaded, welded, pressure-seals, or integral with the body. (This term is often used in referring to the bonnet and its included packing parts. More properly, this group of component parts should be called the bonnet assembly.)

- **Seat:**

The area of contact between the closure member and its mating surface that establishes valve shut-off.

- **Cage:**

A part of a valve trim that surrounds the closure member and can provide flow characterization and/or a seating surface. It also provides stability, guiding, balance, and alignment, and facilitates assembly of other parts of the valve trim. The walls of the cage contain openings that usually determine the flow characteristic of the control valve.

- **Port:**

The flow control orifice of a control valve.

- **Packing:**

A part of the valve assembly used to seal against leakage around the valve disk or stem.

- **Seat Ring:**

A part of the valve body assembly that provides a seating surface for the closure member and can provide part of the flow control orifice.

- **Valve Stem:**

In a linear motion valve, the part that connects the actuator stem with the closure member.

- **Yoke:**

The structure that rigidly connects the actuator power unit to the valve.

- **Fail-Closed:**

A condition wherein the valve closure member moves to a closed position when the actuating energy source fails.

- **Fail-Open:**

A condition wherein the valve closure member moves to an open position when the actuating energy source fails.

- **Fail-Safe:**

A characteristic of a valve and its actuator, which upon loss of actuating energy supply, will cause a valve closure member to be fully closed, fully open, or remain in the last position, whichever position is de-fined as necessary to protect the process. Fail-safe action can involve the use of auxiliary controls connected to the actuator.

- **Flow Coefficient (Cv):**

A constant (Cv) related to the geometry of a valve, for a given travel, that can be used to establish flow capacity. It is the number of U.S. gallons per minute of 60°F water that will flow through a valve with a one pound per square inch pressure drop.

- **Seat Leakage:**

The quantity of fluid passing through a valve when the valve is in the fully closed position with pressure differential and temperature as specified.

- **Vena Contracta:**

The portion of a flow stream where fluid velocity is at its maximum and fluid static pressure and the cross-sectional area are at their minimum. In a control valve, the vena contracta normally occurs just downstream of the actual physical restriction.

- **Feedback Signal:**

The return signal that results from a measurement of the directly controlled variable. For a control valve with a positioner, the re-turn signal is usually a mechanical indication of closure member stem position that is fed back into the positioner.

- **Supply Pressure:**

The pressure at the supply port of a device. Common values of control valve supply pressure are 20 psig for a 3 to 15 psig range and 35 psig for a 6 to 30 psig range.

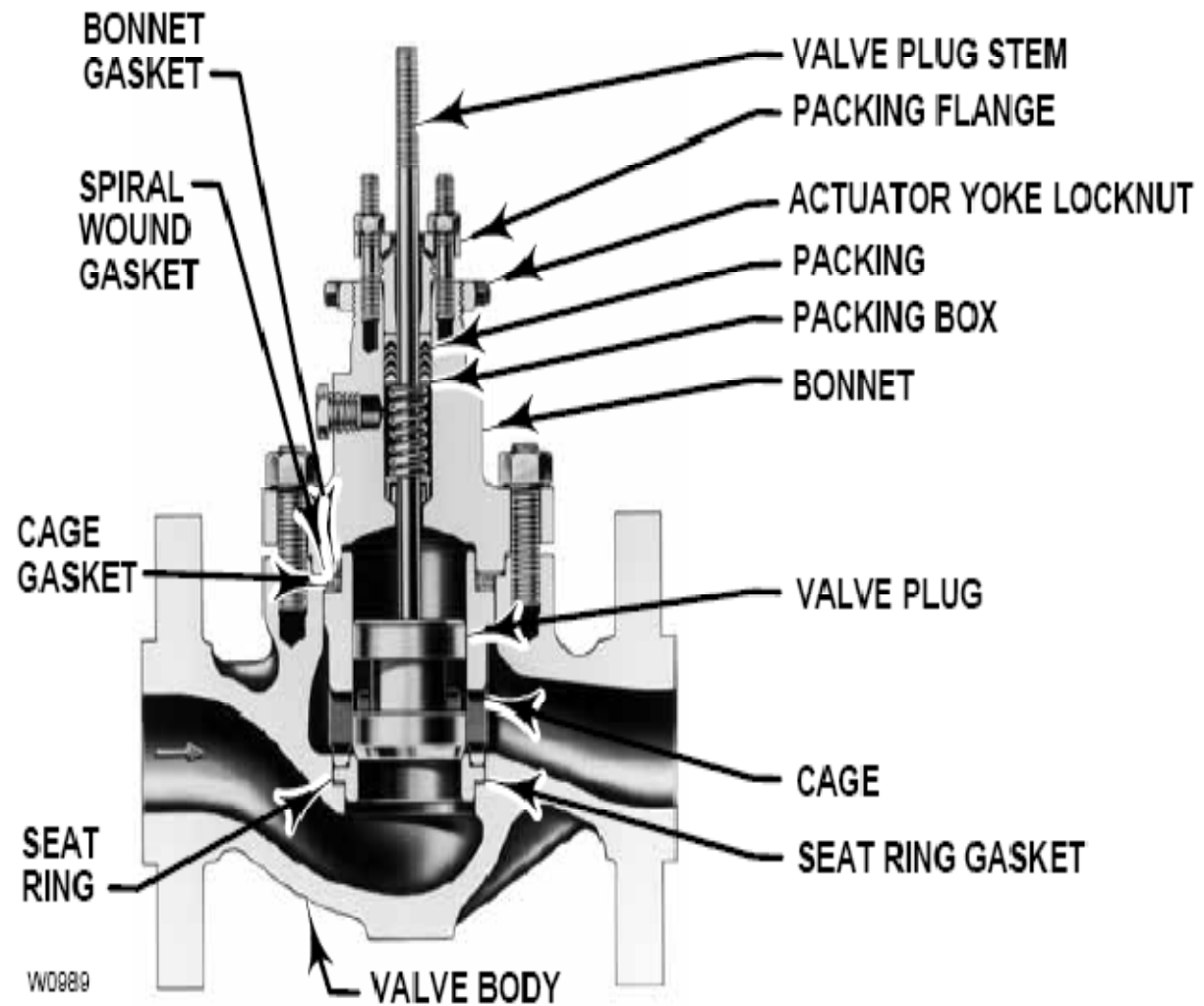
Types of control valves

- Globe Valves
- Ball Valves
- Butterfly Valves
- Eccentric Disk

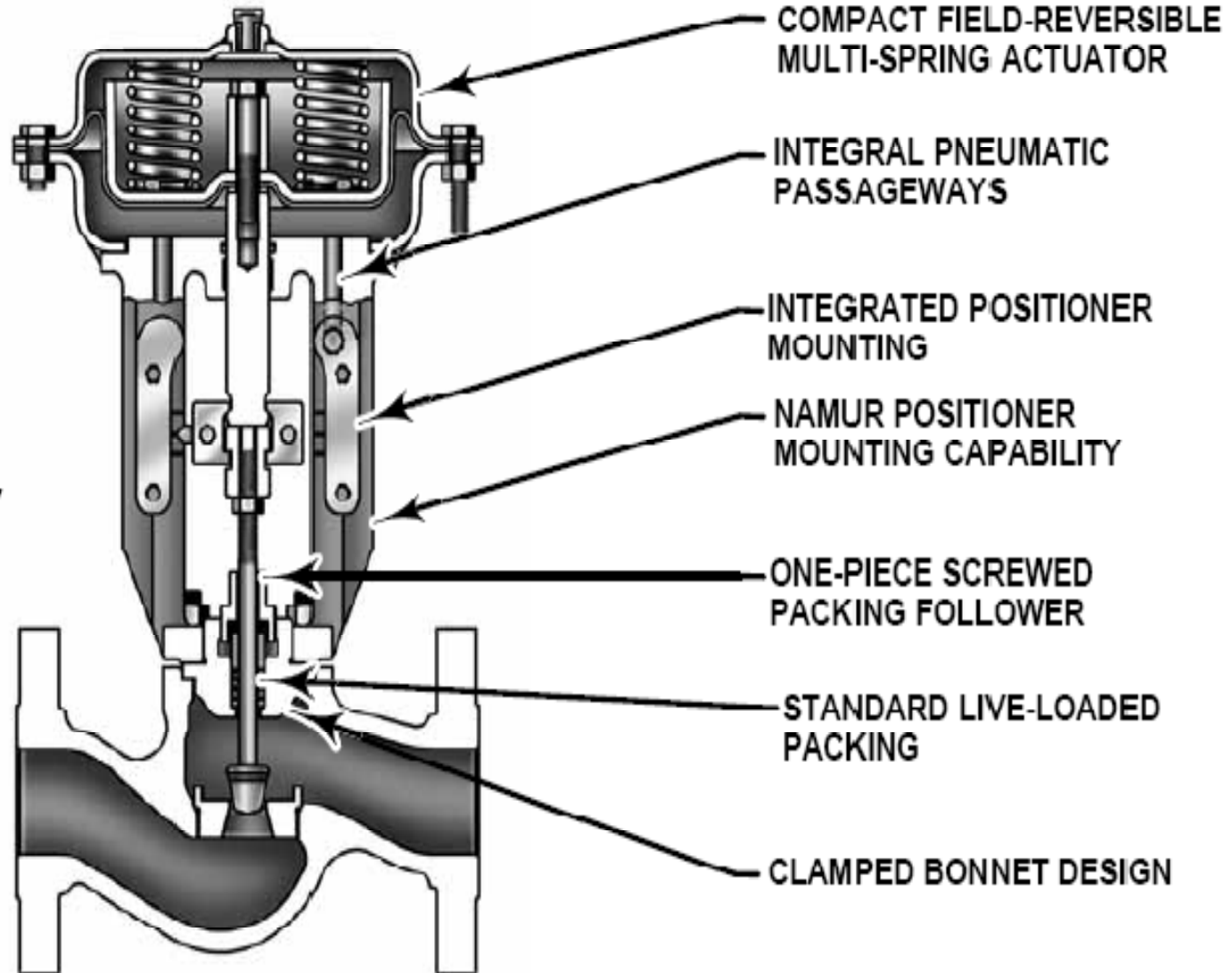
Globe valves

- Size Limitation
- Lower Capacity than Ball or Butterfly
- Overall expensive specially in large sizes
- Tight shutoff in small sizes

**PUSH-DOWN-
TO-CLOSE
VALVE BODY
ASSEMBLY**



**AIR-TO-OPEN
VALVE ASSEMBLY**



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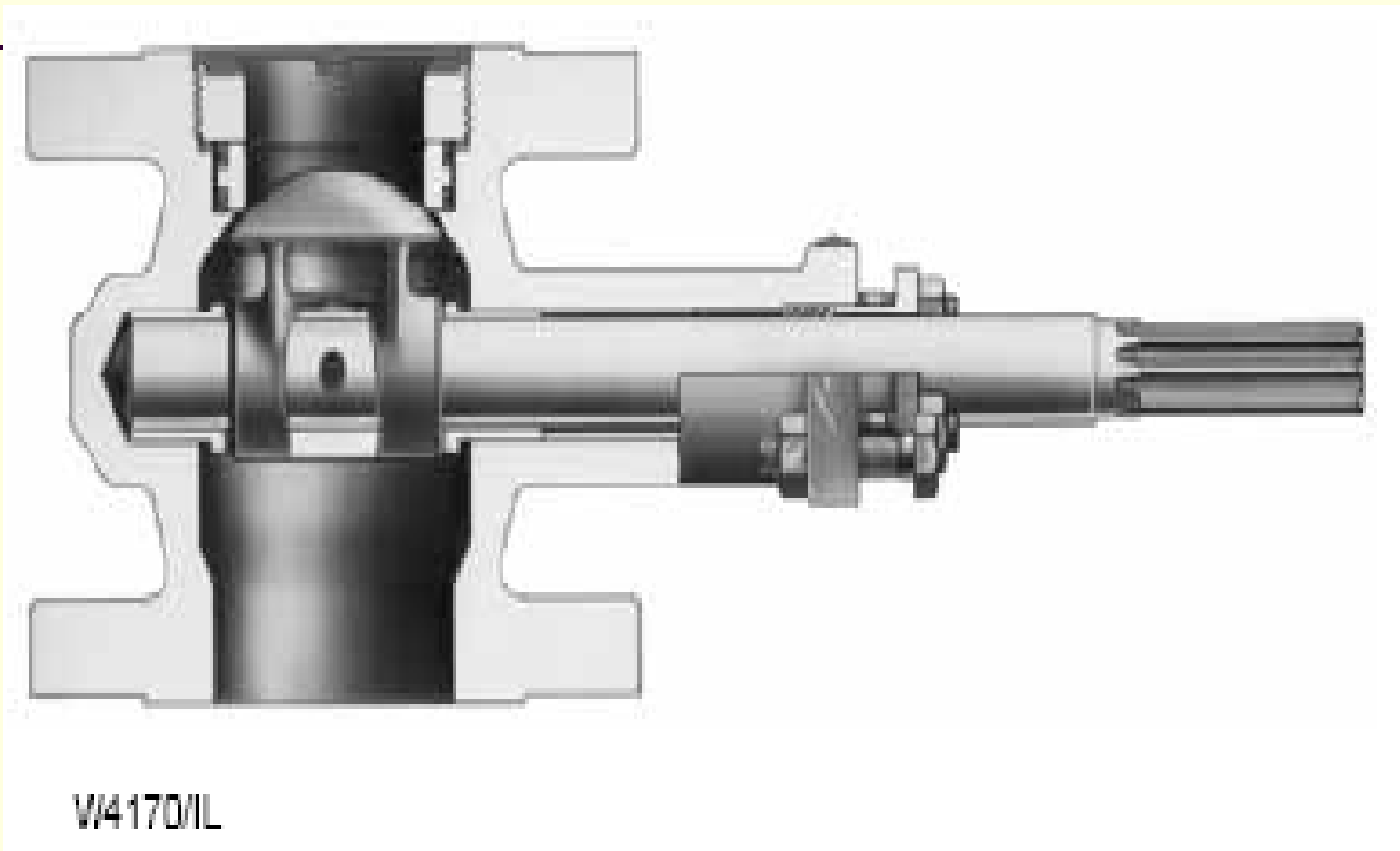
Ball Valves

- Classified as High-Recovery Valves
- Limited in allowable pressure drop and temperature than globe valves
- Good shutoff capabilities
- Almost $\frac{1}{2}$ price of globe valves



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SEGMENTED BALL VALVE



Butterfly Valves

- Most Economical valve on a cost per flow capacity basis
- Fully lined valves bore can provide tight shutoff
- Low cost body material for corrosive fluid due to lined body bore
- Handling of high inlet pressure and pressure drop



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CONTOURED DISK BUTTERFLY VALVE

Eccentric Disk Valves

Almost similar to butterfly valves, except size limitation ■



Balance plug Style Valve Bodies

- Single ported that only one seat ring is used
- High capacity
- High capacity
- Large sizes
- Smaller actuator sizes
- Cage style allows ease of reducing trim, characteristic change
- Unbalance is double ported

Data needed for Control Valve Selection

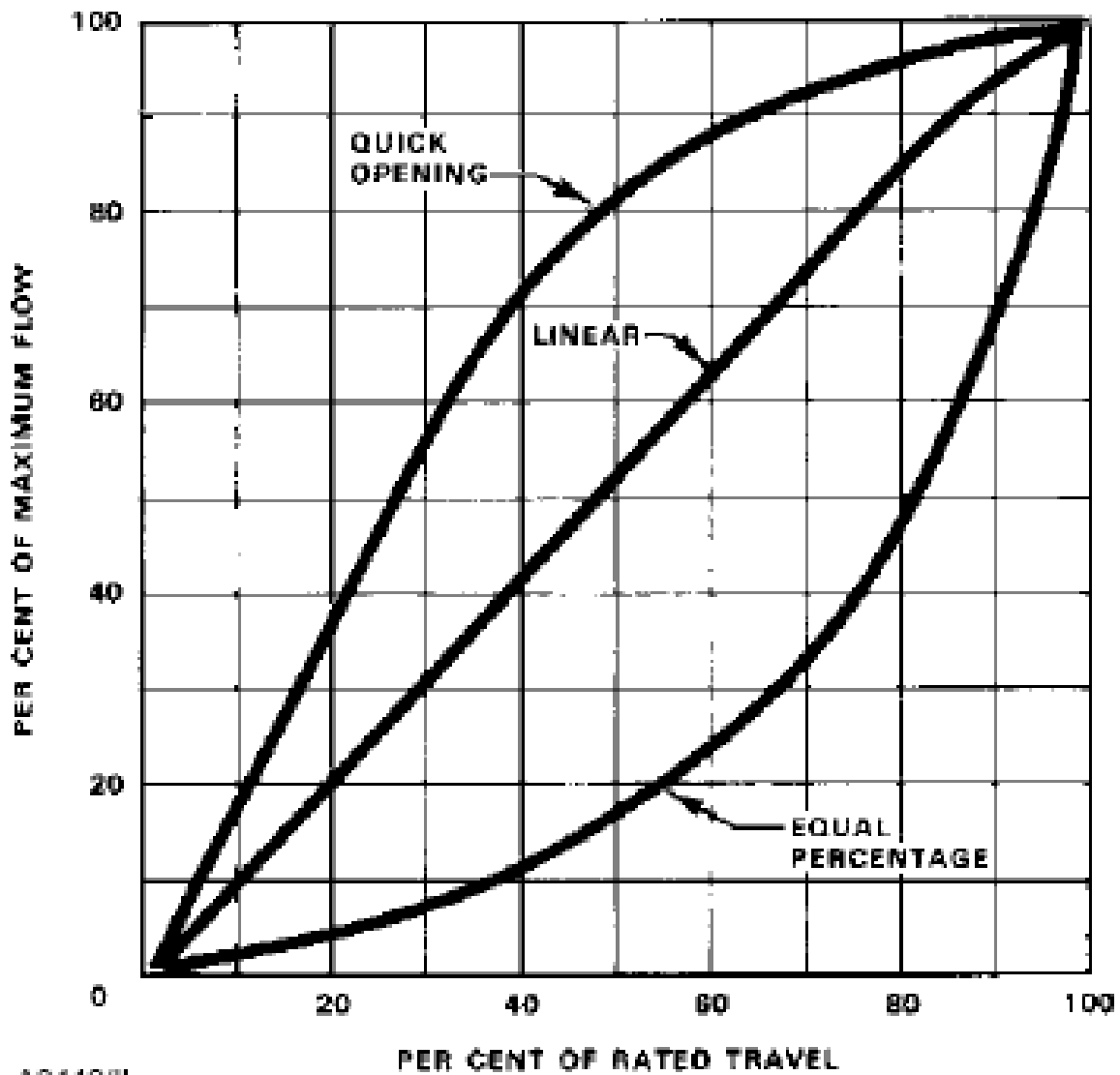
- Type of fluid
- Temperature of fluid
- Flow rate of fluid
- Viscosity of fluid
- Specific Gravity of fluid
- Inlet pressure (Upstream)
- Outlet pressure (Downstream)
- Delta P shutoff for actuator sizing
- Pipe size/Schedule

Data needed for Control Valve Selection

- Valve type
- Body material
- End connection type (Flanged or Screwed)
- Valve Action (F.C. or F.O)
- Type of Actuator
- Instrument Air Supply Pressure
- Accessories/Positioners/Etc.

Valve Characteristics

- The flow characteristic of a control valve is the relationship between flow rate through the valve and valve travel as the travel is varied from 0-100%
- Typical valve characteristics conducted in this manner are named Linear, Equal-Percentage, and Quick Opening



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Characterized Cages for Globe-Style Valve Bodies



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QUICK OPENING



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LINEAR



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EQUAL PERCENTAGE

Valve Body Material

- Valve body material selection is usually based on the Pressure, Temperature, Corrosive properties and Erosive Properties of the flow media.
- Cast carbon steel (ASTM A216-Grade WCB) is the most popular steel for valve bodies in moderate service such as Air, superheat or saturated steam, non corrosive fluids.
- Cast Chrome-Moly Steel (ASTM A217-Grade WCB-C9) has addition of chromium/Molybdenum that provide corrosion resistance and also is suitable for temperature up to 1050 Deg.F.

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- Cast type 304 SST (ASTM A351-Grade CF8) is for oxidizing and very corrosive fluids.
 - Cast type 316 SST (ASTM A351-Grade CF8M) is same as 304 SST but since it has addition of Molybdenum then better resistance to corrosion.
 - Cast Iron (ASTM A126) is used for steam. Water. Gas and non corrosive fluids and is inexpensive.
 - Cast Bronze (ASTM B61& ASTM B62) is used for steam, Air, Water, Oil and non corrosive fluids.

Type of Bonnet

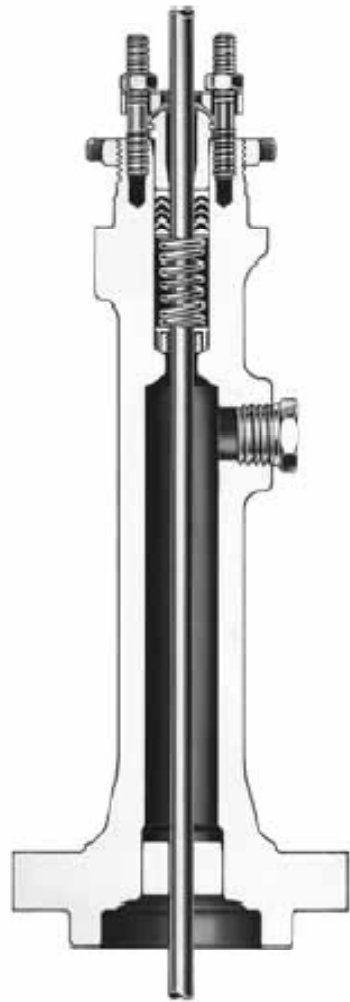
- **Standard Bonnet**

- **Extension Bonnet**

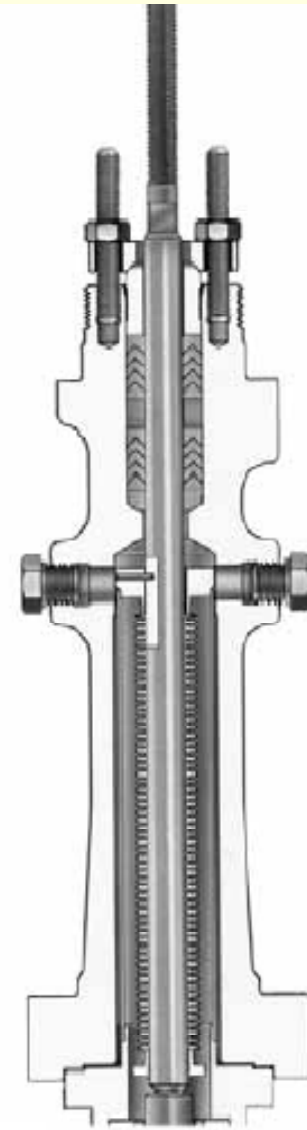
Are used for high and low temperature service to protect packing from extreme temperature.

- **Bellows Seal Bonnets**

Are used when no leakage are allowed, Toxic fluids, Volatile, Radioactive or highly expensive fluids.



Extension Bonnet



Bellows Seal Bonnet

Type of Packing

PTFE Type

- Standard TFE up to 232 Deg. C.
- Supercedes old TFE/ASB. Which is obsoleted for health reason
- Minimizes friction, so may require smaller Actuator
- Good resistivity to most known chemicals
- No lubrication required

Graphite Type

- High temperature service up to 1200 Deg.F.
- Leak free
- No lubrication required

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Types of actuator

- **Pneumatically** operated control valve actuators are the most popular type in use, but **electric**, **hydraulic**, and **manual** actuators are also widely used. The **spring and diaphragm** pneumatic actuator is most commonly specified due to its dependability and simplicity of design. Pneumatically operated **piston** actuators provide high stem force out-put for demanding service conditions. Adaptations of both spring-and-diaphragm and pneumatic piston actuators are available for direct installation on rotary-shaft control valves.

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- Electric and electro-hydraulic actuators are more complex and more expensive than pneumatic actuators. They offer advantages where no air supply source is available, where low ambient temperatures could freeze condensed water in pneumatic supply lines, or where unusually large stem forces are needed. A summary follows, discussing the design and characteristics of popular actuator styles.

**DIRECT-ACTING
ACTUATOR**

LOADING PRESSURE CONNECTION

DIAPHRAGM CASING

DIAPHRAGM AND STEM
SHOWN IN UP POSITION

DIAPHRAGM PLATE

ACTUATOR SPRING

ACTUATOR STEM

SPRING SEAT

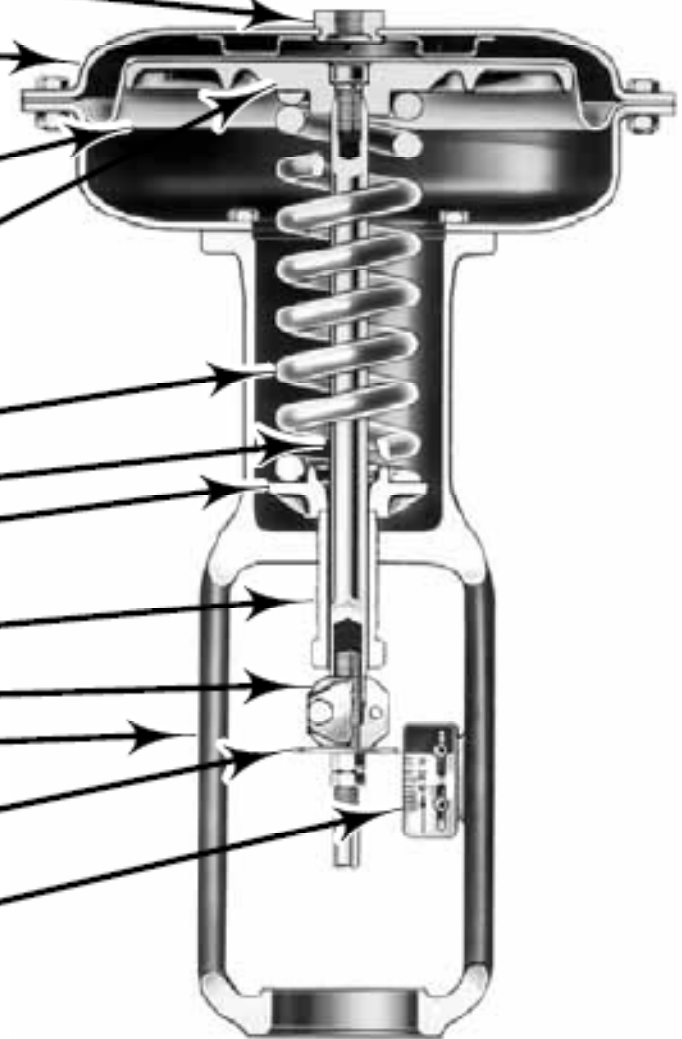
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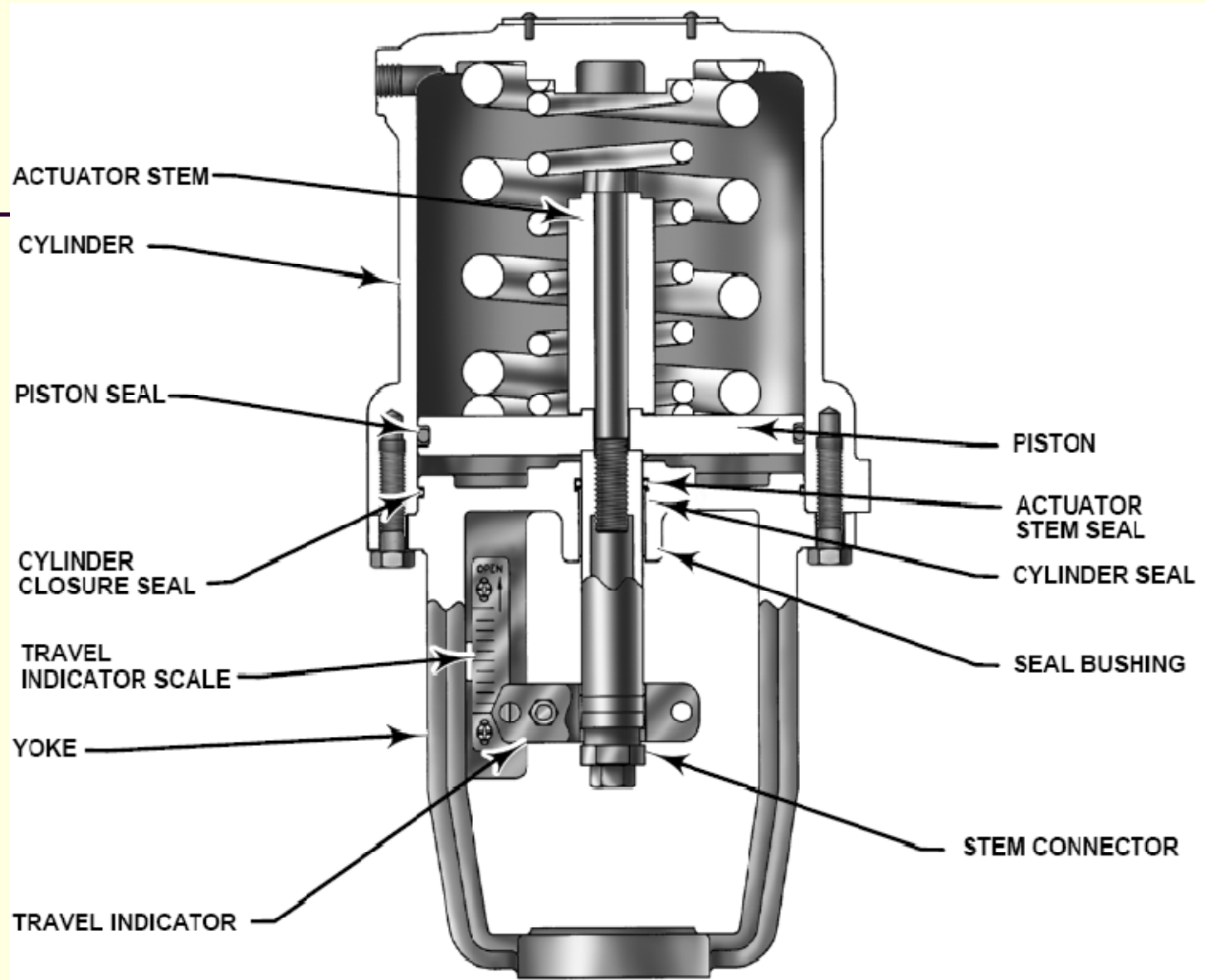
STEM CONNECTOR

YOKE

TRAVEL INDICATOR

INDICATOR SCALE





Typical Double-Acting Piston Actuator with Bias Spring

Diaphragm Actuators

- Pneumatically operated diaphragm actuators use air supply from controller, positioner, or other source.
- Various styles include: direct-acting (increasing air pressure pushes down diaphragm and extends actuator stem); reverse-acting (increasing air pressure pushes up diaphragm and retracts actuator stem); reversible (actuators that can be assembled for either direct or reverse action); direct-acting unit for rotary valves (increasing air pressure pushes down on diaphragm, which may either open or close the valve, depending on orientation of the actuator lever on the valve shaft).

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- Net output thrust is the difference between diaphragm force and opposing spring force.
 - Molded diaphragms provide linear performance and increased travels.
 - Output thrust required and supply air pressure available dictate size.
 - Diaphragm actuators are simple, dependable, and economical.

Piston Actuators

- Piston actuators are pneumatically operated using high-pressure plant air to 150 psig, often eliminating the need for supply pressure regulator.
- Piston actuators furnish maximum thrust output and fast stroking speeds.
- Piston actuators are double acting to give maximum force in both directions, or spring return to provide fail-open or fail-closed operation.
- Various accessories can be incorporated to position a double-acting piston in the event of supply pressure failure. These include pneumatic trip valves and lock-up systems.

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- Also available are hydraulic snubbers, hand wheels and units without yokes, which can be used to operate butterfly valves, louvers, and similar industrial equipment.
 - Other versions for service on rotary-shaft control valves include a sliding seal in the lower end of the cylinder. This permits the actuator stem to move laterally as well as up and down without leakage of cylinder pressure. This feature permits direct connection of the actuator stem to the actuator lever mounted on the rotary valve shaft, thereby eliminating one joint or source of lost motion.

Electro-hydraulic Actuators

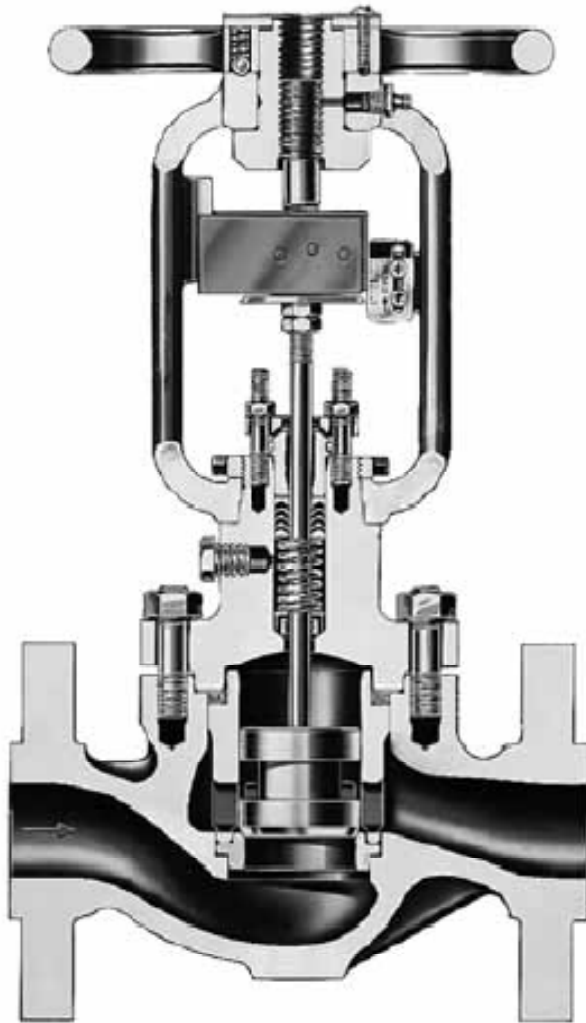
- Electro-hydraulic actuators require only electrical power to the motor and an electrical input signal from the controller.
- Electro-hydraulic actuators are ideal for isolated locations where pneumatic supply pressure is not available but where precise control of valve plug position is needed.
- Units are normally reversible by making minor adjustments and might be self-contained, including motor, pump, and double-acting hydraulically operated piston within a weather proof or explosion-proof casing.



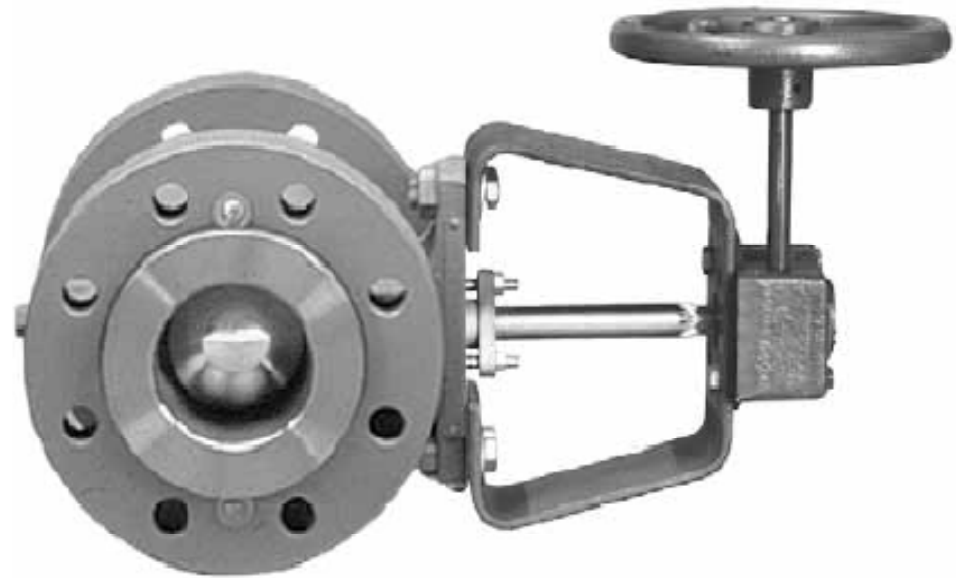
*Control Valve with
Double-Acting Electrohydraulic
Actuator and Handwheel*

Manual Actuators

- Manual actuators are useful where automatic control is not required, but where ease of operation and good manual control is still necessary . They are often used to actuate the bypass valve in a three-valve bypass loop around control valves for manual control of the process during maintenance or shut down of the automatic system.
- Manual actuators are available in various sizes for both globe style valves and rotary-shaft valves.
- Dial-indicating devices are available for some models to permit accurate repositioning of the valve plug or disk.
- Manual actuators are much less expensive than automatic actuators.



FOR SLIDING-STEM VALVES



FOR ROTARY-SHAFT VALVES

Typical Manual Actuators

Electric Actuators

- Traditional electric actuator designs use an electric motor and some form of gear reduction to move the valve. Through adaptation, these mechanisms have been used for continuous control with varying degrees of success. To date, electric actuators have been much more expensive than pneumatic for the same performance levels. This is an area of rapid technological change, and future designs may cause a shift towards greater use of electric actuators.

Actuator sizing

- Actuators are selected by matching the force required to stroke the valve with an actuator that can supply that force. For rotary valves a similar process matches the torque required to stroke the valve with an actuator that will supply that torque. The same fundamental process is used for pneumatic, electric, and electro-hydraulic actuators.

The force required to operate a globe valve includes:

- Force to overcome static unbalance of the valve plug
- Force to provide a seat load
- Force to overcome packing friction
- Additional forces required for certain specific applications or constructions

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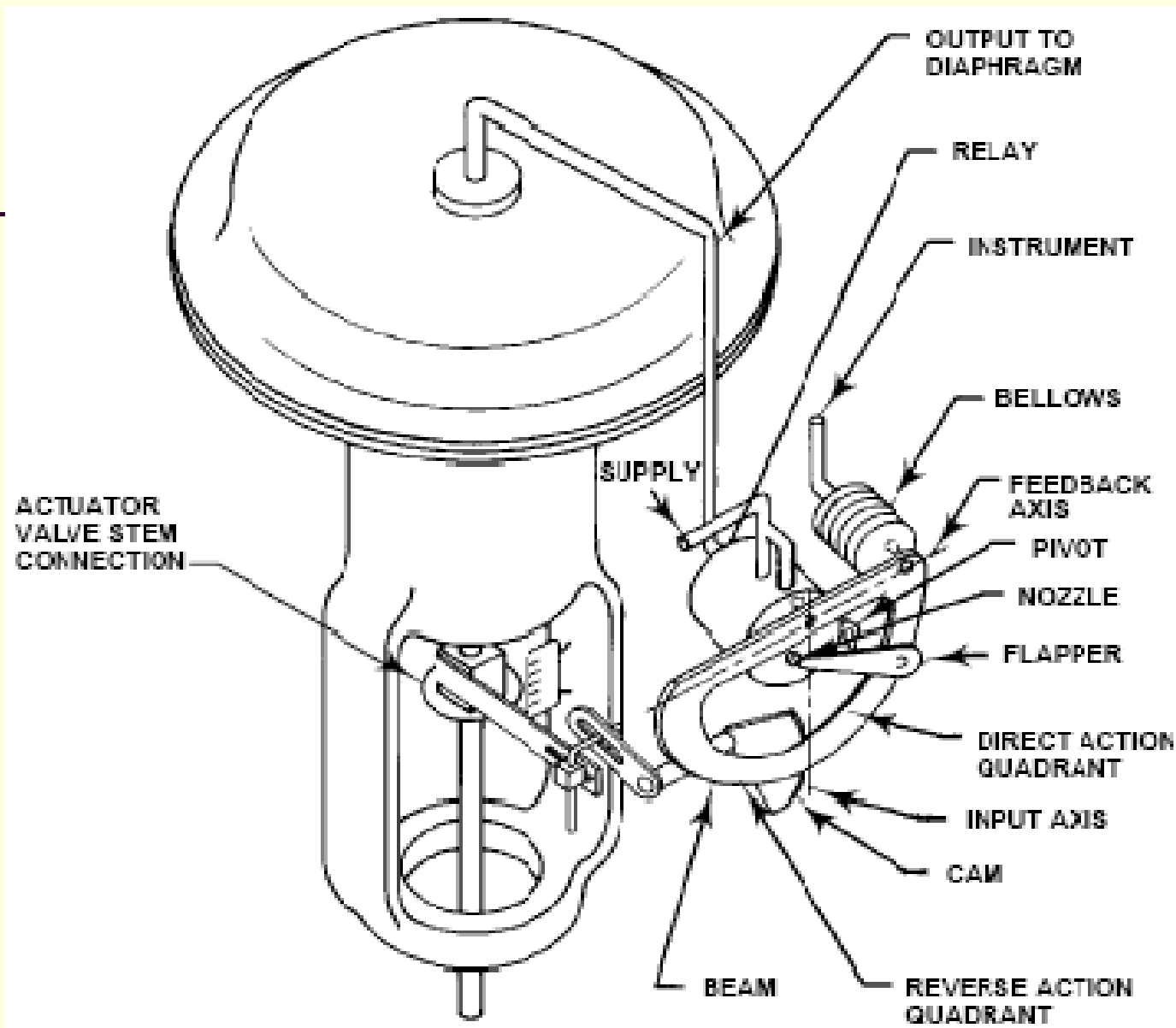
Positioners

Pneumatically operated valves depend on a positioner to take an input signal from a process controller and convert it to valve travel. These instruments are available in three configurations:

- 1. *Pneumatic Positioners***—A pneumatic signal (usually 3-15 psig) is supplied to the positioner. The positioner translates this to a required valve position and supplies the valve actuator with the required air pressure to move the valve to the correct position.
- 2. *Analog I/P Positioner***—This positioner performs the same function as the one above, but uses electrical current (usually 4-20 mA) instead of air as the input signal.

3. Digital Controller—Although this instrument functions very much as the Analog I/P described above, it differs in that the electronic signal conversion is digital rather than analog. The digital products cover three categories.

- Digital Non-Communicating—A current signal (4-20 mA) is supplied to the positioner, which both powers the electronics and controls the output.
- HART—This is the same as the digital non-communicating but is also capable of two-way digital communication over the same wires used for the analog signal.
- Fieldbus—This type receives digitally based signals and positions the valve using digital electronic circuitry coupled to mechanical components.



Positioner Schematic for Diaphragm Actuator

Why We install Positioner?

- For Fast operation
- Due to packing friction
- Long Travel valves
- Big Actuators
- Better Accuracy
- Split Range Applications

Accessories

- Limit Switches
- Solenoid Valve Manifold
- Supply Pressure Regulator
- Pneumatic Lock-Up Systems
- Electro-Pneumatic Transducers

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Noise

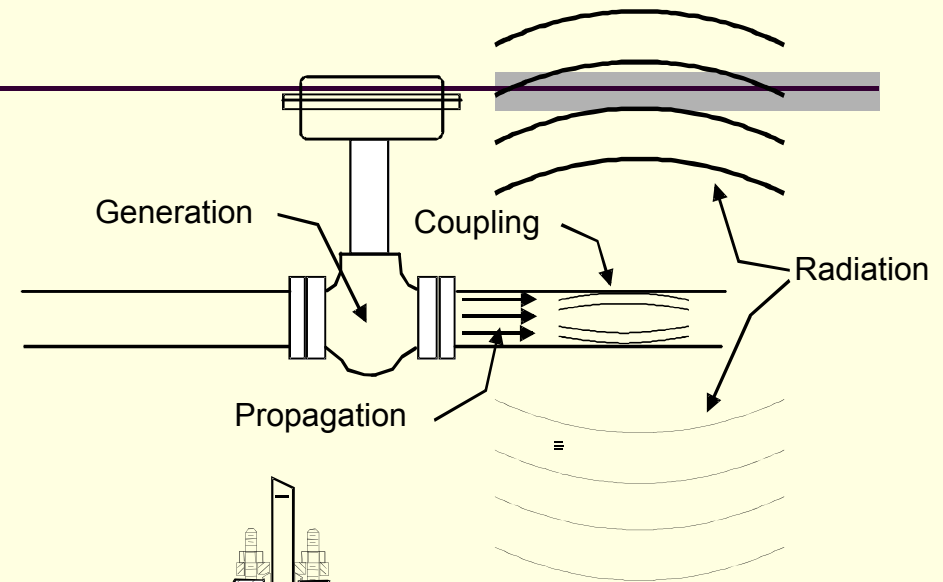
Source of Valve Noise

- Mechanical Vibration of valve component
- Hydrodynamic Noise
- Aerodynamic Noise

Types of Control Valve Noise

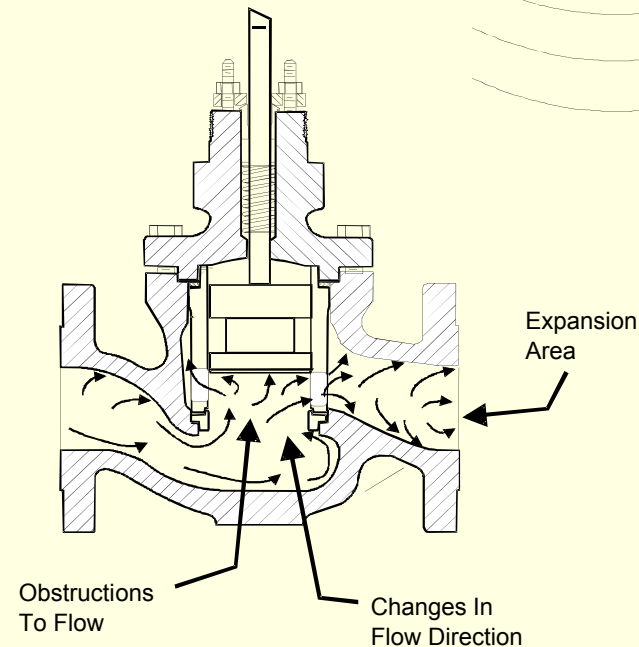
Mechanical Vibration Noise

- Plug Instability Noise
- Resonant Noise
- Lateral movement of plug
- Frequencies less than 1500Hz



Aerodynamic Noise

- Highest energy components are in audible range
- Turbulence of flow
- Flow path, obstructions, rapid expansion, deceleration, and direction changes
- Frequencies typical 500 to 8000 Hz



Mechanical Damage

- High noise levels can cause pipe vibration
 - Damage to downstream equipment
- Noise above 110 dBA can destroy a valve very quickly

Cavitation and Flashing

- The IEC liquid sizing standard calculates an allowable sizing pressure drop, DP_{max} . If the actual pressure drop across the valve, as defined by the system conditions of P_1 and P_2 , is greater than DP_{max} then either flash-ing or cavitation may occur. Structural damage to the valve and adjacent piping may also result.
- If pressure at the vena contracta should drop below the vapor pressure of the fluid (due to increased fluid velocity at this point) bubbles will form in the flow stream. Formation of bubbles will increase greatly as vena contracta pressure drops further below the vapor pressure of the liquid. At this stage, there is no difference between flashing and cavitation, but the potential for structural damage to the valve definitely exists.

Cavitation and Flashing

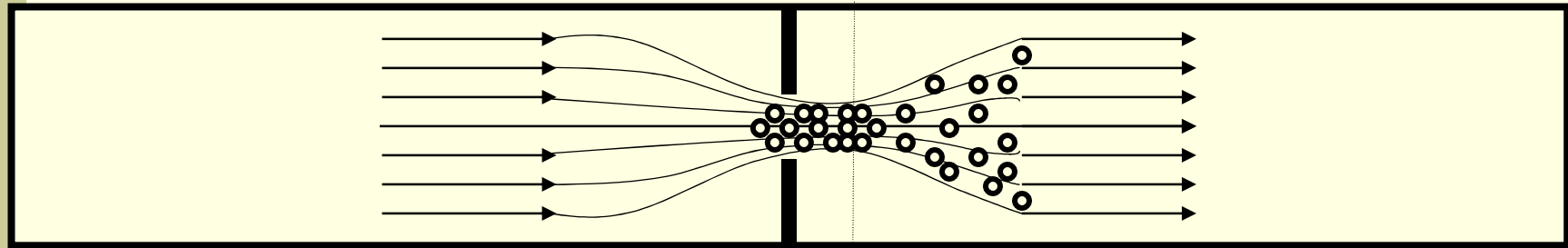
- If pressure at the valve outlet remains below the vapor pressure of the liquid, the bubbles will remain in the down stream system and the process is said to have flashed. Flashing can produce serious erosion damage to the valve trim parts and is characterized by a smooth, polished appearance of the eroded surface. Flashing damage is normally greatest at the point of highest velocity, which is usually at or near the seat line of the valve plug and seat ring.
- On the other hand, if down stream pressure recovery is sufficient to raise the outlet pressure above the vapor pressure of the liquid, the bubbles will collapse, or implode, producing cavitation.

Cavitation and Flashing

- Collapsing of the vapor bubbles releases energy and produces a noise similar to what one would expect if gravel were flowing through the valve. If the bubbles collapse in close proximity to solid surfaces in the valve, the energy released will gradually tear away the material leaving a rough, cinder like surface. Cavitation damage may extend to the adjacent downstream pipe line, if that is where pressure recovery occurs and the bubbles collapse. Obviously, high recovery valves tend to be more subject to cavitation, since the downstream pressure is more likely to rise above the liquid's vapor pressure.

Cavitation

Vena Contracta



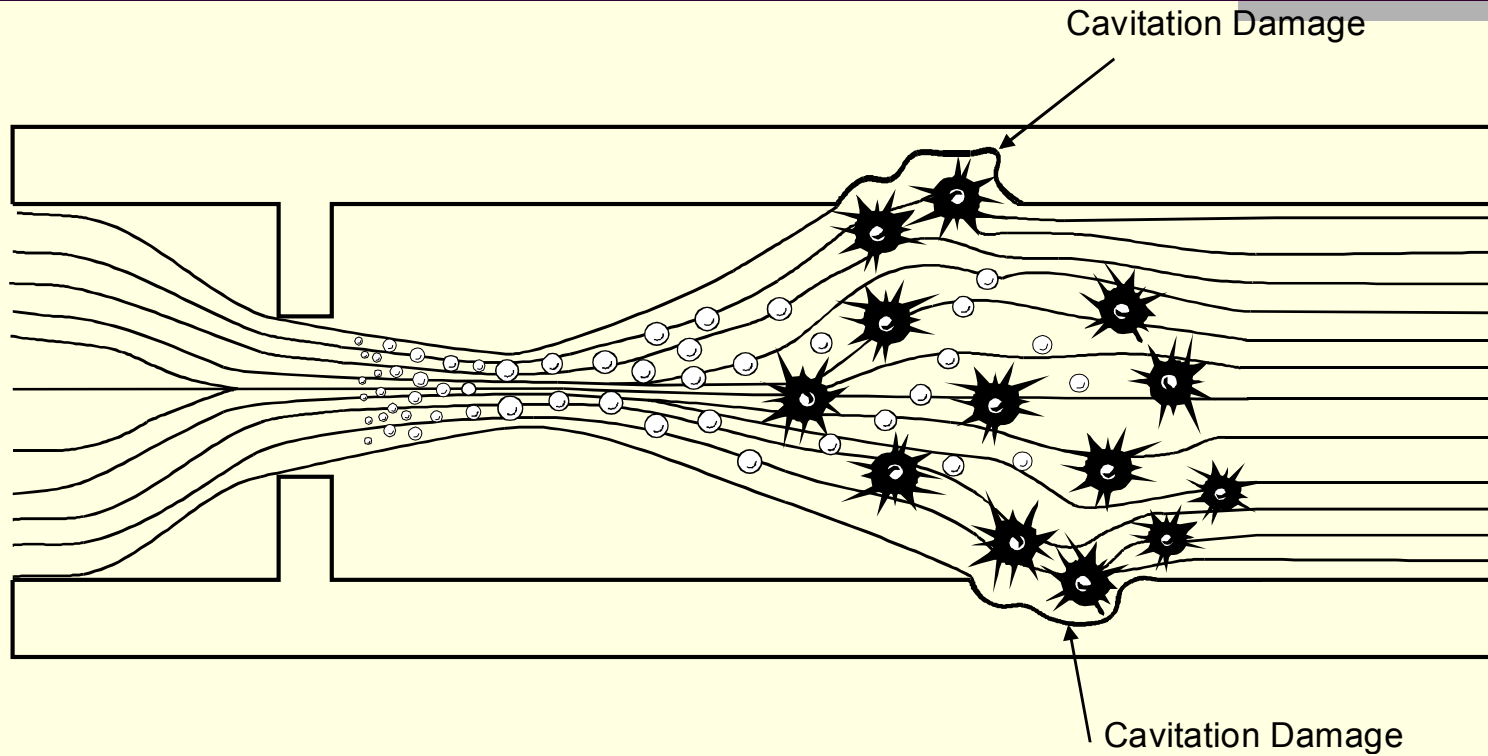
Pressure

Vapour Pressure

Vapour Bubbles Form

Vapour Bubbles Collapse

Cavitation Damage



Valve style comparison

■ Rotary Valves

- High Recovery
- Low K_m (Fl^2)
- $P_{\text{vena Contracta}}$ Very low
- Not suited to high pressure drops
 - Bearings/shaft/Seals
- Attenuators give low level protection against cavitation

■ Globe Valves

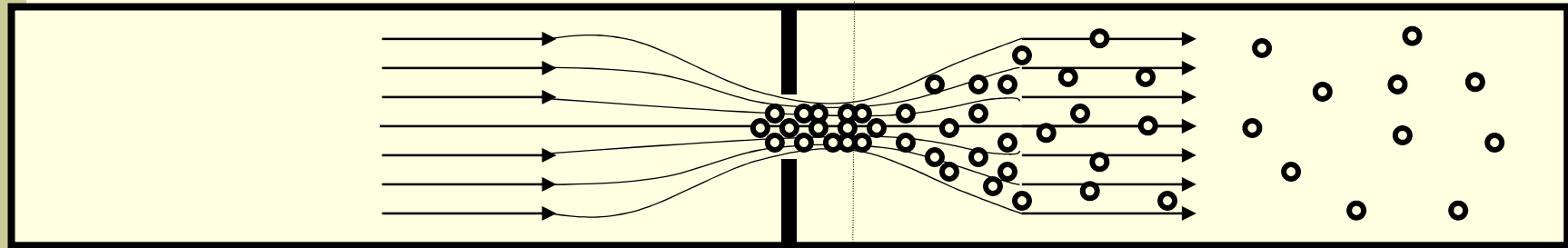
- Low recovery
- High K_m (Fl^2)
- $P_{\text{vena Contracta}}$ close to P_2
- Suited to very high pressure drops
 - Cage guided
- High technology multi stage anti-cavitation trims

Cavitation Damage



Flashing

Vena Contracta



Pressure

Vapour Pressure

Vapour Bubbles Form

Mixture of vapour and liquid at outlet

Flashing Damage



choked flow

- The maximum or limiting flow rate (q_{max}), commonly called choked flow, is manifested by no additional increase in flow rate with increasing pressure differential with fixed upstream conditions. In liquids, choking occurs as a result of vaporization of the liquid when the static pressure within the valve drops below the vapor pressure of the liquid.
- Choked Flow Causes Flashing and Cavitation.

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Server Service Treatments

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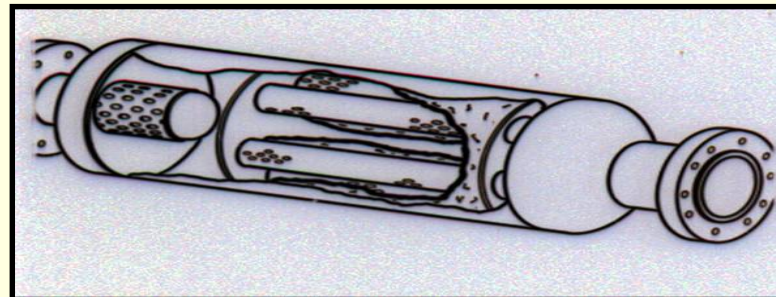
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Noise Solutions

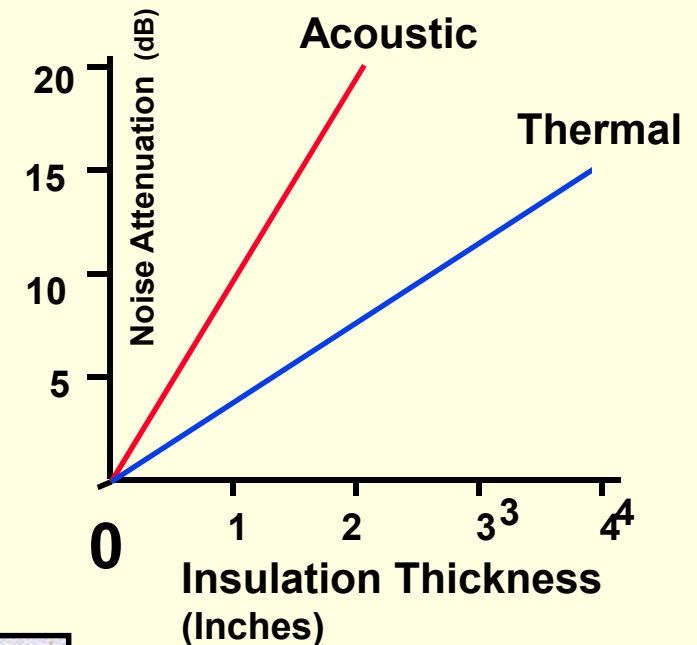
- Noise reduction can be very expensive
 - Special trim
 - Larger valve size
- Examine specified noise levels
 - are they really required
 - location of valve
 - valve operation
 - When / duration / what else will be happening
 - Typically Emergency Vent valves only operate over short periods and a higher noise level is accepted

Noise Solutions

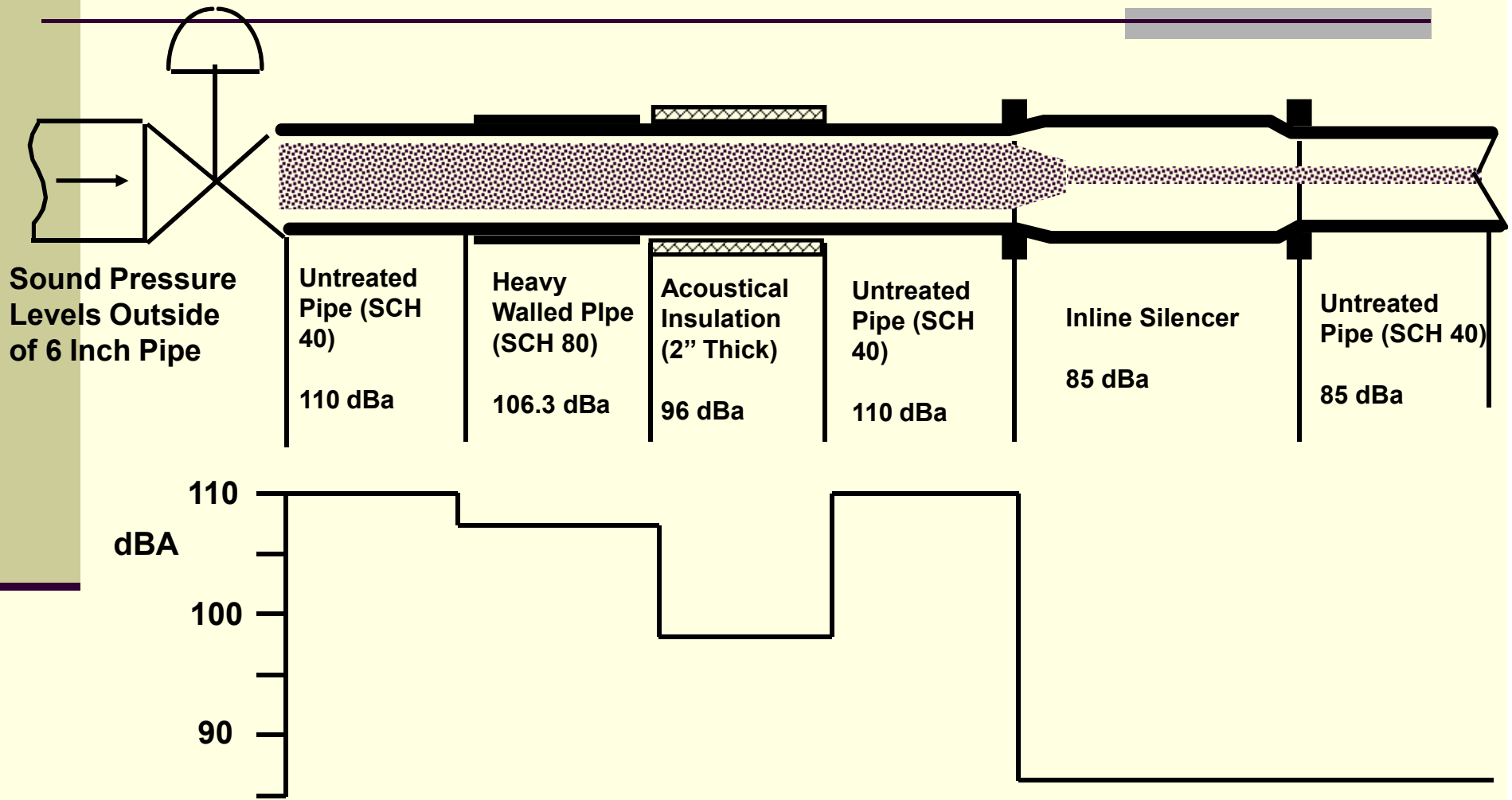
- Path treatment
 - Treatment of the noise after it is generated in the valve
 - Heavy Walled Pipe
 - Ensure correct diameter and schedule are used
 - Does schedule align with pressure rating?
 - thermal or acoustic insulation
 - Silencers



Most steam valves are insulated so use it to reduce price



Path Treatment



Noise Solutions

- Source Treatment
 - Treatment of the noise at source
 - Reduce the noise generated
 - Change the properties of the noise generated
 - Special valve trim

IEC 534-8-3

5 step procedure for calculating valve noise

1. Determine stream power at the vena contracta
2. Convert to noise power at the valve outlet
3. Determine sound pressure level in the flow stream
4. Determine A-Weighted sound pressure level outside pipe wall
5. Translate sound pressure level to standard observer location

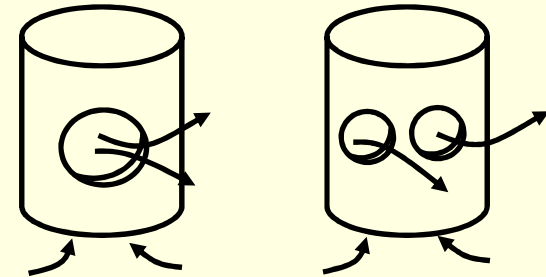
Noise Attenuating Cages

■ Slotted or Drilled Hole Cages

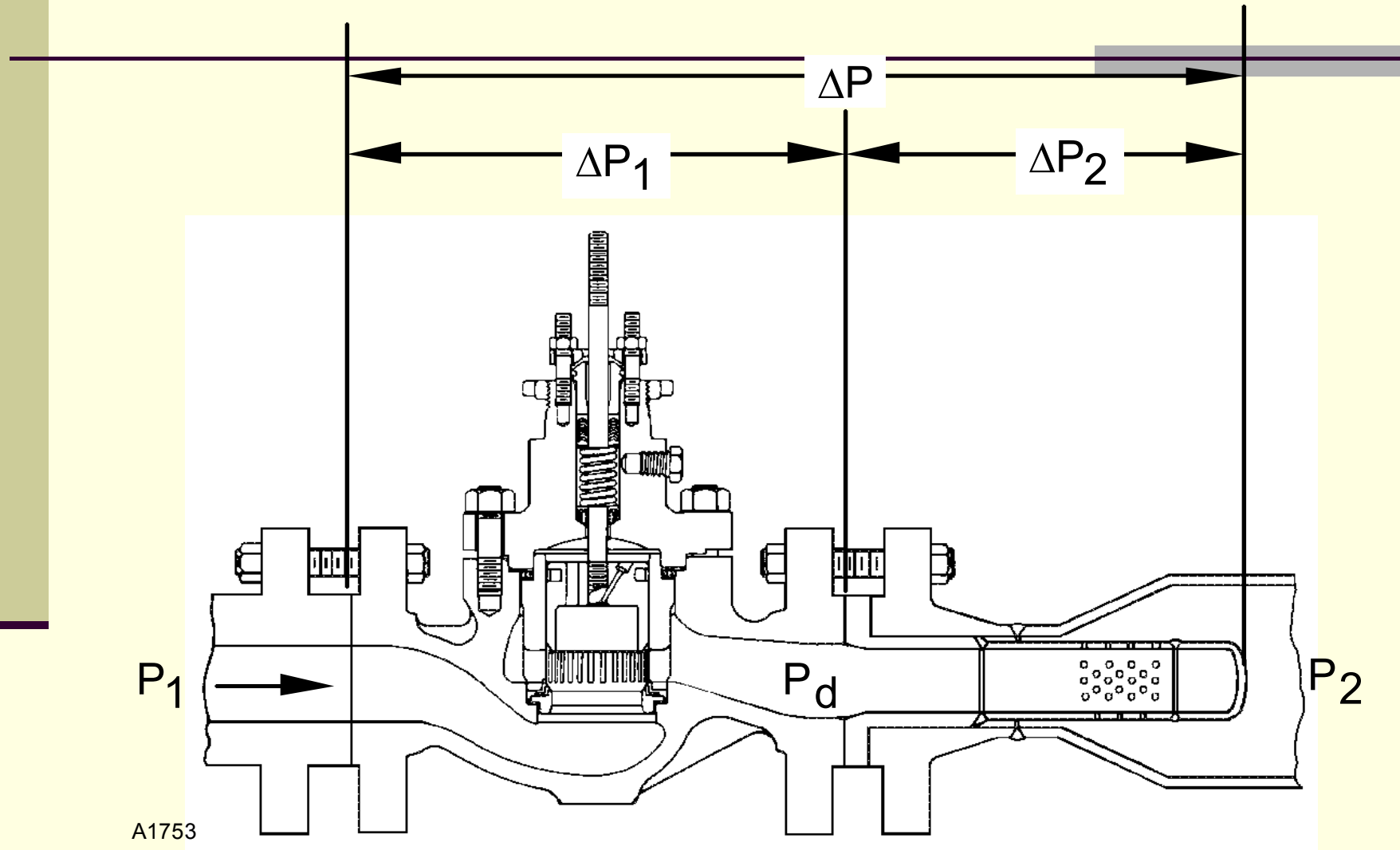
- Divide flow into smaller jets
- Prevent jets from combining
- Shift the noise frequency outside audible range

■ Examples

- WhisperFlo, Whisper III, and Whisper I

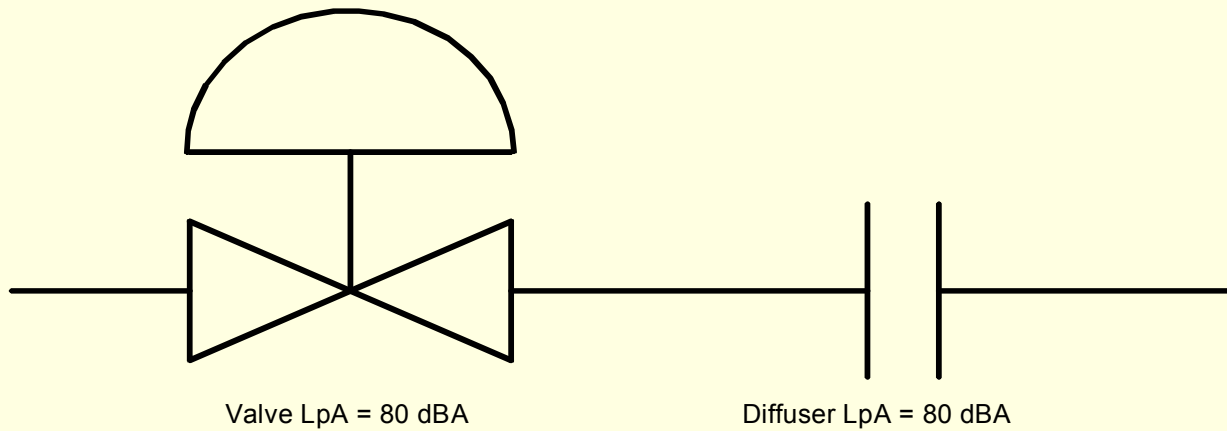
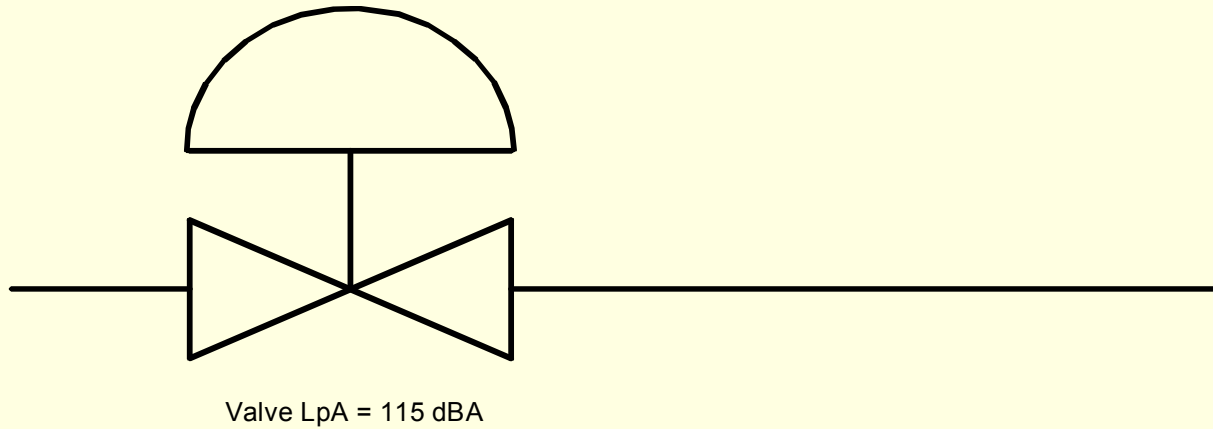


Inline Diffuser



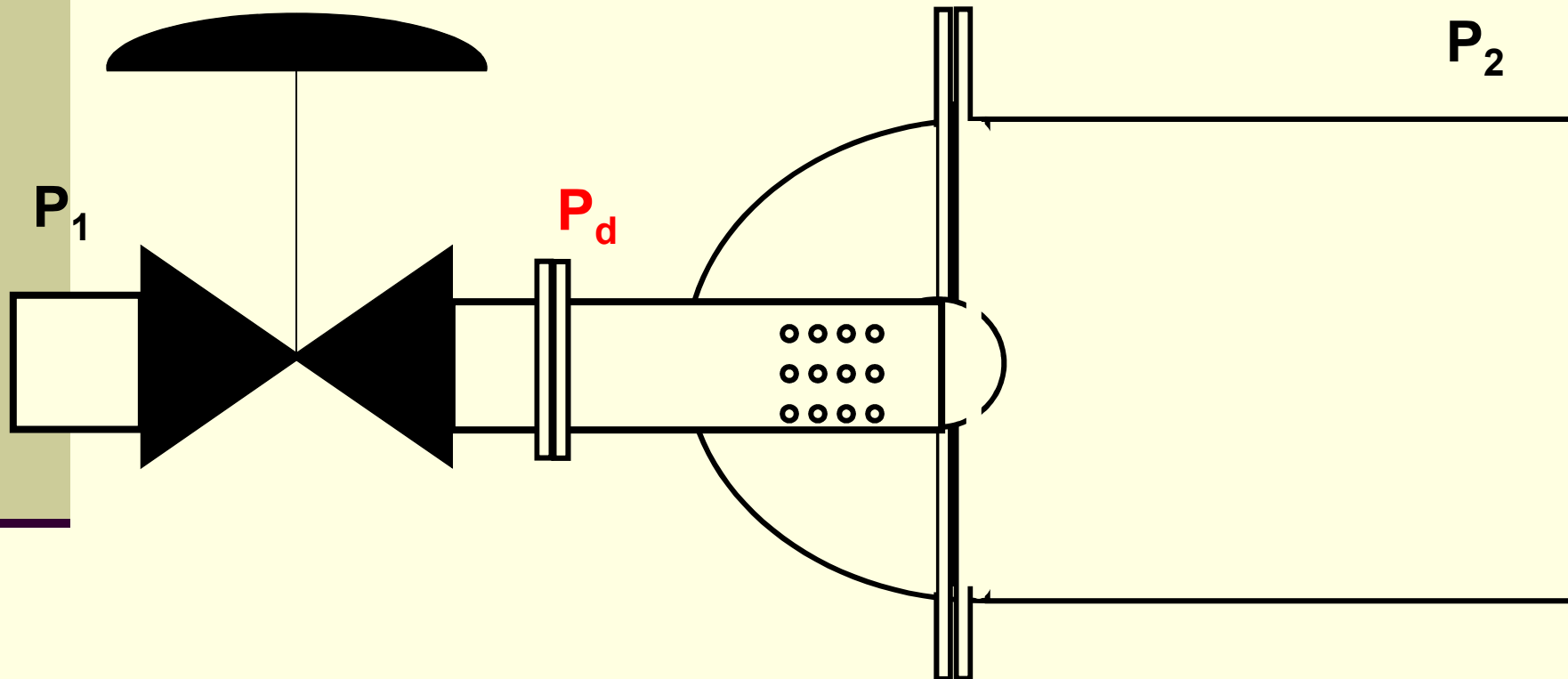
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Diffuser Sizing Objective



Diffusers

Optimisation in program adjusts the P_d until the noise from the valve and diffuser are equal



Cavitation Solutions

■ Path Treatment

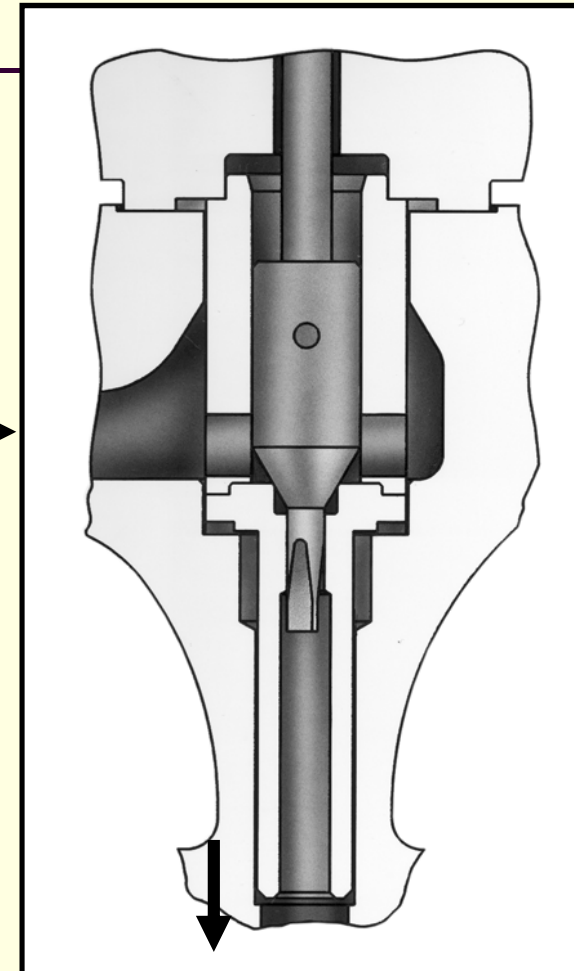
- Treating the effects of cavitation
 - Protecting exposed areas with hardened materials
 - Selecting valve to direct the cavitation away from surfaces

■ Source Treatment

- Treating the cause of cavitation

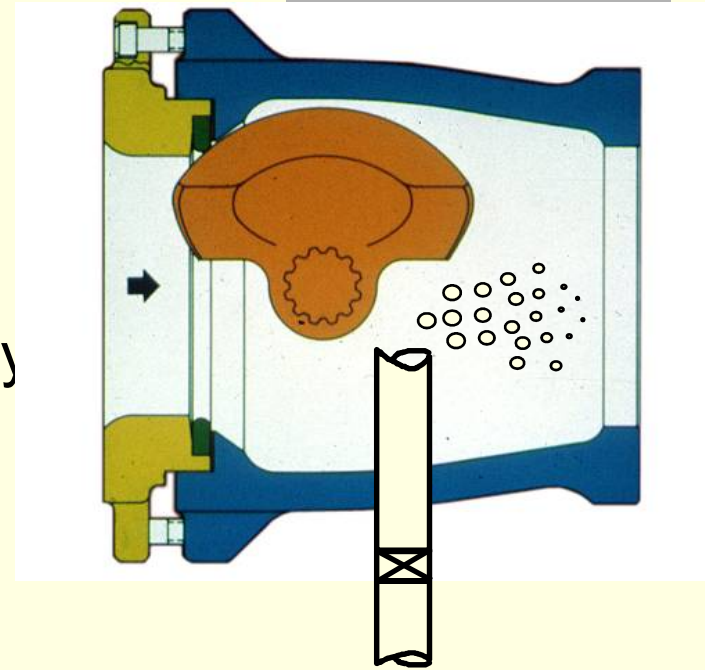
Cavitation - Path Treatment

- Select body style that directs the cavitation away from surfaces
 - Angle body
 - Flow down
 - Liner
 - Hardened trim
 - Micro-Flat Trim for low Cv requirements
 - Cavitation is mainly confined to the centre of the outlet passage



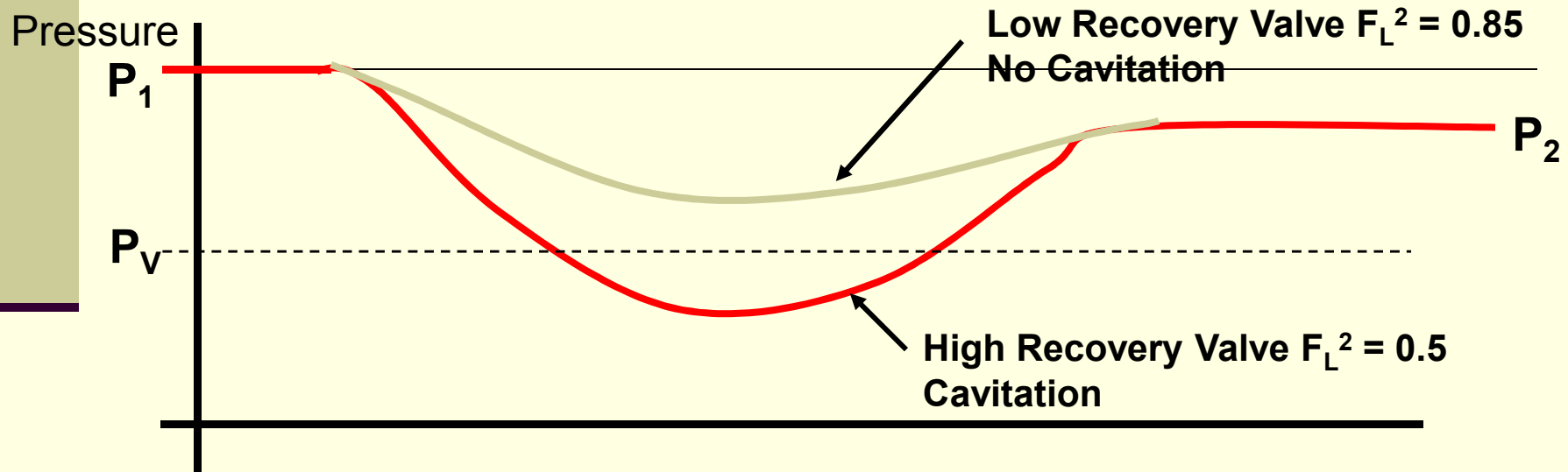
Cavitation - Path Treatment

- Aspiration
 - Inject air into cavitating flow stream
 - Air bubbles absorb energy released in bubble collapse

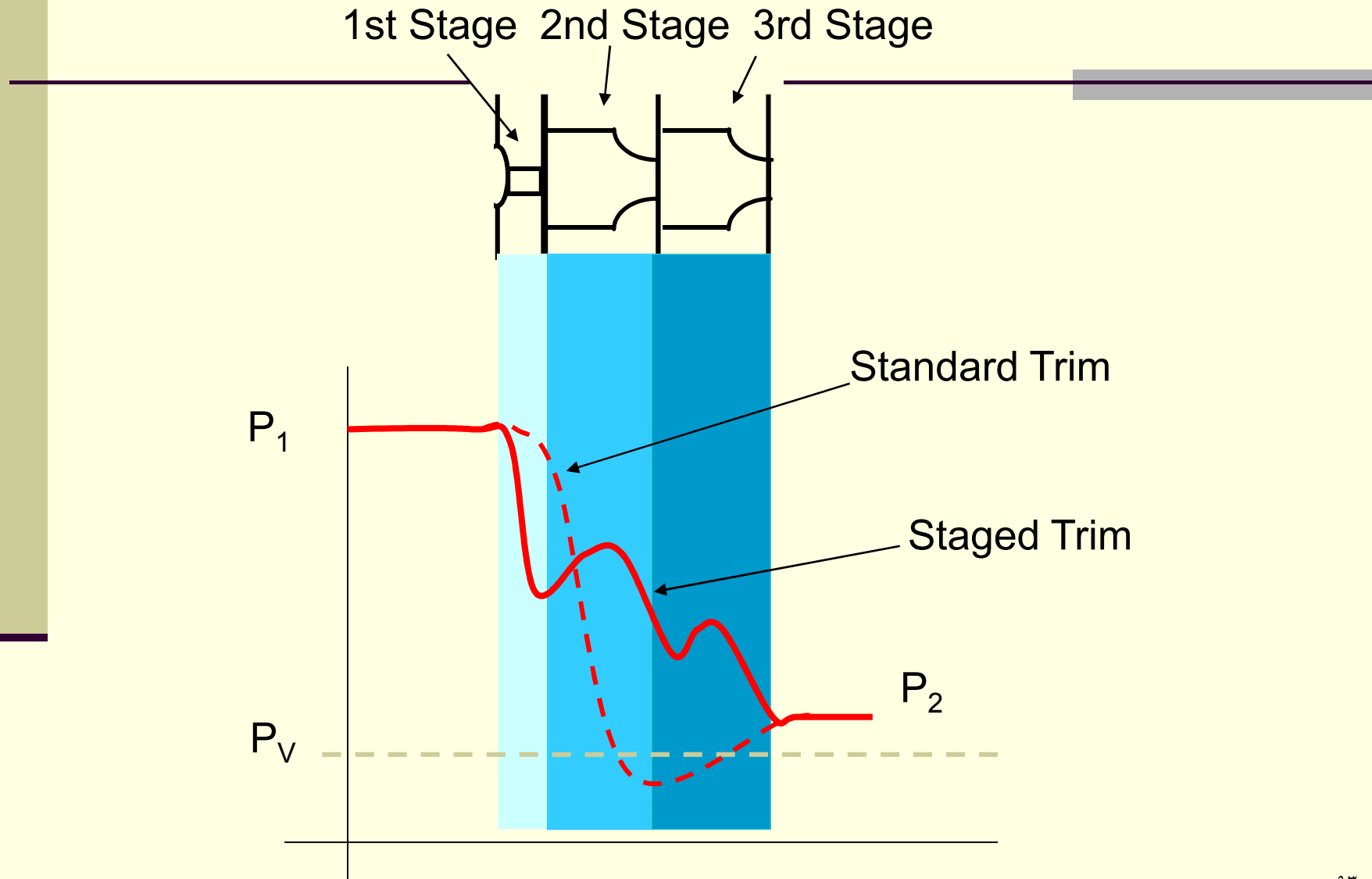


Cavitation - Source Treatment

- Treating the cause of cavitation
 - Use valve trim that avoids cavitation
 - Low recovery valve
 - High $F_L^2(K_M)$
 - Change from rotary valve to globe



Staged Pressure Drop



Section 6

Standards

REFERENCE CODES AND STANDARDS

- Numerous standards are applicable to control valves. International and global standards are becoming increasingly important for companies that participate in global markets. Following is a list of codes and standards that have been or will be important in the design and application of control valves.

American Petroleum Institute (API)

- Spec 6D, Specification for Pipeline
- Valves (Gate, Plug, Ball, and Check Valves)
- 598, Valve Inspection and Testing
- 607, Fire Test for Soft-Seated Quarter-Turn Valves
- 609, Lug- and Wafer-Type Butterfly Valves

Iranian Petroleum Standard (IPS)& National Petrochemical Co. Standard (NPCS)

- IPS-E-IN-160,Engineering standard for Control Valves
- IPS-M-IN-160,Material standard for control valves
- IPS-C-IN-160,Construction and installation standard for Control Valves
- NPCS-MS-IN-23,M.S. for Control Valves
- NPCS-SD-IN-18,Air Connection for Control Valves

American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME)

- B16.1, Cast Iron Pipe Flanges and Flanged Fittings
- B16.4, Gray Iron Threaded Fittings
- B16.5, Pipe Flanges and Flanged Fittings (for steel, nickel-based alloys, and other alloys)
- B16.10, Face-to-Face and End-to-End Dimensions of Valves (see ISA standards for dimensions for most control valves)
- B16.24, Cast Copper Alloy Pipe
- B16.25, Butt welding Ends
- Flanges and Flanged Fittings
- B16.34, Valves - Flanged, Threaded and Welding End
- B16.42, Ductile Iron Pipe Flanges and Flanged Fittings
- B16.47, Large Diameter Steel Flanges (NPS 26 through NPS 60)

Instrument Society of America (ISA)

- S51.1, Process Instrumentation Terminology
- S75.01, Flow Equations for Sizing Control Valves
- S75.02, Control Valve Capacity Test Procedures
- S75.03, Face-to-Face Dimensions for Flanged Globe-Style Control Valve Bodies (Classes 125, 150, 250, 300 and 600)
- S75.04, Face-to-Face Dimensions for Flangeless Control Valves (Classes 150, 300, and 600)
- S75.05, Terminology
- S75.07, Laboratory Measurement of Aerodynamic Noise Generated by Control Valves
- S75.08, Installed Face-to-Face Dimensions for Flanged Clamp or Pinch Valves
- S75.11, Inherent Flow Characteristic and Range ability of Control Valves

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- S75.12, Face-to-Face Dimensions for Socket Weld-End and crewed-End Globe-Style Control Valves (Classes 150, 300, 600, 900, 1500, and 2500)
 - S75.13, Method of Evaluating the Performance of Positioners with Analog Input Signals
 - S75.14, Face-to-Face Dimensions for Butt-weld-End Globe-Style Control Valves (Class 4500)
 - S75.15, Face-to-Face Dimensions for Butt-weld-End Globe-Style Control Valves (Classes 150, 300, 600, 900, 1500, and 2500)
 - S75.16, Face-to-Face Dimensions for Flanged Globe-Style Control Valve Bodies (Classes 900, 1500, and 2500)
 - S75.17, Control Valve Aerodynamic Noise Prediction
 - S75.19, Hydrostatic Testing of Control Valves

International Standards Organization (ISO)

- 5752, Metal valves for use in flanged pipe systems - Face-to-face and centre-to-face dimensions
- 7005-1, Metallic flanges - Part 1: Steel flanges
- 7005-2, Metallic flanges - Part 2: Cast iron flanges
- 7005-3, Metallic flanges - Part 3: Copper alloy and composite flanges

NACE International

- **NACE MR0175/ISO 15156**, Petroleum and Natural Gas Industries Materials for Use in H₂S-Containing Environments in Oil and Gas Production
- **NACE MR0175-2002**, Sulfide Stress Corrosion Cracking Resistant Metallic Materials for Oil Field Equipment
- **NACE MR0103**, Materials Resistant to Sulfide Stress Cracking in Corrosive Petroleum Refining Environments

Section 7

Sample Specification

Technical specification

Body Construction

The minimum size for control valves shall be 1” as per the pipe specification. If a smaller CV is required, reduced trim shall be used. Valve bodies with flanged ends shall be 300 lbs RF minimum or in accordance with the piping specifications. Welding and other repairs to valve body castings are not permitted. Body material shall be carbon steel minimum or in accordance with the piping specification, cast iron is not allowed.

Unless otherwise stated in the valve data sheets or dictated by its application, the selection of valve type shall be in the following order of preference:

- Eccentric rotary plug valve
- Globe valve
- Ball valve
- Butterfly valve
- Other types such as angle, split body, “Y” shall be considered when the process fluid may be erosive, viscous or carrying suspended solids

Control valve bodies shall not be fitted with bottom drain plugs. A bottom flange shall be provided for valves that require bottom access for trim removal.

Valve-bonnets shall be of bolted construction with fully retained gaskets.

Flow direction shall be permanently and clearly marked on the valve body.

2.1.1 Eccentric Rotary Plug Valves

When these are used for general purpose control and shutoff, valve selection is limited to the obtainable valve size, the required pressure/temperature rating and allowable leakage rate.

2.1.2 Globe Valves

The preferred style of control valves is flanged single seat globe type, with the body being of single cast construction.

Where low pressure drop or high recovery can not be achieved by globe valves, butterfly or characterized ball valves may be considered.

Split-body globe valves may only be applied with the approval of the COMPANY.

Double seated globe valves shall have top and bottom guided construction.

Three way globe valves are prohibited.

2.1.3 Ball Valves

Ball valves may be considered for on/off duty or for large sizes on throttling service.

Ball valves shall be considered as throttling valve for hydrocarbon services with coking tendencies, erosive services, or suspended solids where settlement in globe valve body may occur. The use of reduced ball trim is allowed.

Ball valves shall be considered for on/off duty in line sizes up to 6" when the leakage rate can not be met with a globe valve, or in fuel gas lines for shut off purposes. Valves must have full line size trim.

2.1.4 Butterfly Valves

These shall not be used for shut off purposes.

60° opening butterfly valves shall be considered when the required size is larger than 6" with a low pressure drop which would make it economically attractive, or on corrosive services where body lining of standard globe valves becomes economically unfeasible. Butterfly valves shall be flangeless (wafer) type with drilling to suit the pipeline flange drilling.

They shall normally be furnished with long stroke diaphragm actuators.

2.1.5 Angle Body Valves

These may be applied to:

High noise applications, where a globe valve is not suitable

Liquid flows where cavitations may occur in the valve

Hydrocarbon services with tendency towards coking

Erosive services

Angle valves shall have full venturi throat.

2.1.6 Self Acting Regulators

Self acting regulators or pressure regulators (PCV's), shall have the same general requirements as control valves.

Reducing regulators, back pressure regulators and differential pressure regulators shall be specified as required on the individual data sheets.

The diaphragm for these shall be designed to meet the design pressure requirements of the process line as stated on the valve data sheet.

If the process fluid governs the use of a seal pot, the VENDOR shall supply a suitable seal pot fully assembled on the regulator body.

When a regulator is used in a gas blanketing system complete with pilot regulators or other devices, the VENDOR shall assemble them on a suitable gauge board as a complete unit. The VENDOR shall submit his proposal to the COMPANY for approval.

2.2 Body Size

Reduced Trims in oversized bodies shall be used for:

Situations where the calculated flow coefficient would result in a standard valve two or more sizes smaller than the line.

Fluids or cavitating conditions

Fluids containing solids

When calculated valve size is below one inch

The normal sizes of control bodies should be selected from the following series 1", 1½", 2", 3", 4", 6", 8", 10", 12", and so on.

Globe type valves up to 8" size may be used for Emergency Blow down services.

2.3 End Connection

The Flange ANSI rating class shall be in accordance with the piping class unless otherwise specified. The minimum flange rating shall be 300# lbs for valve sizes up to 8". The flange finish shall be in accordance with ANSI B46.1.

Screwed end connections may be used on small valves, not larger than 2", in accordance with the pipe specification. The thread shall be NPT where required. Consideration shall be given to valve design for maintenance or replacement of internals.

Wafer type valves may be considered only for butterfly valves.

Welded end connections shall be butt weld or socket weld as per the pipe specification.

2.4 Face to Face Dimensions

The face-to-face dimensions of flanged globe-body control valves shall be in accordance with ISA-S75-03 for pipe classes up to 600 lbs, and to ISA-S75-16 for pipe classes 900 lbs and above.

The face-to-face dimensions for wafer type control valves shall be in accordance with ISA-S75-04.

The face-to-face dimensions of socket weld end, all pipe classes, and screwed end, pipe classes up to 600 lbs, globe style control valves shall be in accordance with ISA-S75-12. The face-to-face dimensions for Butt weld end globe style control valves shall be in accordance with ISA-S75-015.

2.5 Guide Bushings

Guide Bushings for moving parts such as the valve stem shall be of corrosion resistant material.

2.6 Packing Glands

Packing Glands shall be equipped with flange style gland followers with bolted construction to seal against leakage around the valve disk or stem. Packing materials shall be suitable for the stated service conditions and compliance with environmental regulations.

A lubricator with steel isolating valve shall be provided where packing lubrication is required.

2.7 Packing and Stuffing Box

Packing materials shall be:

- PTFE-based for packing temperatures below 200°C.
- Graphite-based, metal-reinforced, for packing temperatures over 200°C. Lubrication is not required, but for applications above 427°C an extension or steel yoke should be used.

Packing shall not contain asbestos.

External lubricators or grease nipples shall not be applied. Depending upon the design of the valve, an extended bonnet may be required to keep the temperature at the stuffing box at an acceptable value for the applied packing.

An extended bonnet shall be required if the operating differential pressure across the valve could otherwise cause freezing of the stuffing box/packing and/or ice formation on the trim. For example, this may be the case for compressor recycle (anti-surge) valves.

For valves in cryogenic service that are intended for installation inside a “cold box” an extended bonnet shall be applied for bringing the stuffing box outside the cold box. The stuffing box shall be on top of the extended bonnet.

The stuffing box shall be provided with an adjustable, bolted gland flange and gland follower. If, for technical reasons, the valves are to be delivered with a loose gland, this shall be clearly indicated on the appropriate valve with a warning sign.

For valves in vacuum service, special attention should be paid to the type of stem packing/sealing facilities as well as to the stem surface finish. The packing box shall be suitable for vacuum service.

2.8 Gaskets

Body-to-bonnet and, if required, body-to-bottom flange gaskets shall be of the spiral wound type. Unless otherwise dictated by the process conditions, the gasket material shall be AISI 316 stainless steel, graphite filled, as a minimum.

2.9 Body Material

The material selection of the body (including bonnet and/or bottom flange), shall be as specified in individual data sheets.

Cast iron bodies shall not be used.

For applications in sour gas service, not only body materials but also all metals exposed to line fluid shall meet the requirements of NACE MR-01-75, latest edition.

Exceptions: Alloy 20, monel, 17-4PH, when specified.

All flanged globe and ball valves with ring joint facing shall also have ring joint bonnet. Castings shall be free from injurious blowholes, porosity shrinkage faults, cracks or other defects. Castings with defects that were plugged, welded, burned or impregnated are unacceptable. Wall thickness shall meet or exceed minimum requirements of applicable codes.

Bonnets and blind heads shall be of the same material as the valve body and of integral or bolted type construction with fully retained gaskets. Threaded connections are not acceptable.

2.10 Valve Trim Seat Rings

Trim Characteristics

The flow characteristics shall be specified in order to obtain a linear characteristic over the operating range. The characteristic shall normally be:

- linear, when the major part of the energy loss in the system is across the control valve over its range of operation
- equal percentage, ported or contoured

This usually results in using:

- i) equal percentage characteristics on flow, temperature, and gas pressure loops
- ii) linear characteristics on level services
- iii) linear characteristics on liquid pressure control applications, taking into consideration the energy loss stated above

Linear characteristics shall be applied when specifically required by the process or control applications, such as, compressor anti-surge control, split range control, manually controlled valves via the PCS, and minimum flow protection for pumps.

Quick opening characteristics shall only be used when the quick opening feature is considered to be necessary for process control reasons.

Trim Material

Vendor shall quote the trim material in accordance with control valves data sheets. The vendor shall take in due consideration the overall material selection philosophy and the specified data of corrosion, suspended solids, cavitations flashing and fluid velocity. The trim material on control valves data sheets shall be considered as a minimum requirement. Suitable material shall be furnished as trim where sever service require greater hardness, special alloys or coatings to prevent excessive erosion or corrosion.

If the valve is specified to have reduced trim, the seat ring and plug or cage post area shall be reduced, but the body shall remain as specified. Reduced trim shall be replaced with full sized trim.

Cage trim shall be considered standard. Special trim may be used for noise and cavitation or flashing, and the VENDOR recommendation shall be followed.

- Erosive services
- Wet gas or steam service with a pressure drop greater than 5 bar.
- Other services in which the pressure drop is greater than 10 bar at design conditions.

Plug stems shall have adequate strength to withstand maximum developed thrust of the actuators. Separable plugs and stems shall be pinned.

Rotary stem valves (Butterfly, ball, etc) shall have suitable guiding to prevent excessive shaft deflection due to maximum differential pressure or actuator thrust.

For 6" and larger valves, the post and guide bushing shall be designed to prevent rotation of the valve plug and stem.

2.11 Bonnets

The bonnet of a control valve is that part of the body assembly through which the valve plug stem or rotary shaft moves. On globe or angle bodies, it is the pressure retaining component for one end of the valve body. The bonnet normally provides a means of mounting the actuator to the body and houses the packing box. Generally, rotary valves do not have bonnets.

On globe style control valves, the bonnet shall be made the same as the valve body material or it is an equivalent forged material, as it is a pressure containing part subject to the line conditions.

Bolted flange bonnets shall have a drilled and tapped hole on the side of the packing box, for applications such as purging of the valve body and bonnet, or to detect leakage from the first set of packing or from a failed bellows. The VENDOR shall plug the opening with a suitable plug.

Extension bonnets shall be used for either high or low temperature services to protect valve stem packing from extreme process temperatures.

Bellows seal bonnets shall be used when no leakage along the stem can be tolerated. These are often used when the process fluid is toxic, volatile, radioactive or highly expensive.

2.12 Seat Leakage

Control valve seat leakage shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the requirements specified on the individual data sheet and classified according to ANSI B 16-104.

Class II 0.5% of maximum valve capacity

Class III 0.1% of maximum valve capacity

Class IV 0.01% of maximum valve capacity

Class V 5×10^{-4} ml/min/psid/port diameter

Class VI Tabulated by valve size and bubbles per minute

Size (inches)	Bubbles/min
1	1
1.5	2
2	3
3	6
4	11
6	27
8	45

Also refer to paragraph 6.3 for seat leakage tests.

2.13 Yoke and Stem

Yokes shall be of suitable rigid material for open type construction and heavy duty.

Actuator stems shall have adequate strength to withstand maximum developed thrust of actuator.

All valves shall be equipped with a valve stem travel indicator.

2.14 **Types of Actuators**

2.14.1 General

Valve Actuators shall normally be spring return and diaphragm type. All actuators shall be adequate to stroke the valve under the maximum differential pressure to which the valve may be exposed.

The actuators shall have a position indicator.

Air operated diaphragms and springs shall be selected to optimise on a bench setting range of 0.2-1 barg for the specified maximum upstream pressure with the downstream pressure of zero bar. The "Bench Setting Range" and the "In Service Stroking Range" shall be specified on the control valve data plates.

The valve actuator shall be sized so the valve will operate with 10% more than the maximum indicated upstream pressure. The spring barrel shall accommodate interchangeable springs.

The Actuator spring shall be fully enclosed in a metal housing and permanently treated to resist atmospheric corrosion.

2.14.2 Stroking Speed

The VENDOR shall design the actuators of the control valves for the following services, to meet the stroking speed requirements specified on the individual data sheet:

Anti-surge control valves

On/off service control valves

Where the stroking time requirements in any one direction can not be met, a volume booster (for a modulating control valve) or a quick exhaust valve (for an On-Off valve) shall be considered.

Pneumatic Spring Diaphragm Actuators

Pneumatic spring diaphragm actuators are the most frequently used device for positioning control valves and should be used whenever possible.

The diaphragm and spring combination shall be properly sized by the VENDOR using the Vendor's formula to overcome the unbalance of forces at the valve seat, and to provide stable operation throughout the stroke.

Operating differential pressures during different operation and shut-off will be specified on the individual data sheet for the VENDOR's design.

If operating conditions permit, ball valves should be equipped with long stroke diaphragm actuators instead of piston actuators.

Diaphragm cases shall be of steel construction with suitable corrosion protection for a Gas refinery atmosphere.

Diaphragm cases shall be bolted.

Diaphragm shall be of moulded age resistant material suitable for withstanding the pressure and chemical characteristics of the operating medium over a wide range of ambient temperatures.

Diaphragm effective area shall remain essentially constant throughout the full stroke. The required thrust to stroke the valve shall be accompanied by applying a 0.2-1 barg air signal to this effective area.

When double diaphragm pressure balanced type valves are specified, the area of the air diaphragm shall be twice the area of the gas diaphragm unless otherwise noted on the individual data sheet.

2.14.4 Pneumatic Piston Actuators

Pneumatic piston actuators shall be used where requirement of high thrust long stroke, or higher speed of response, or great unbalanced forces can not be achieved by diaphragm actuators.

Actuators should be sized using formula furnished by the VENDOR, taking into account the pressure of the available instrument air.

To obtain a fail-safe action, piston actuators shall be equipped with a trip system in accordance with the VENDOR's standard practice. Should it be desirable to maintain the last position of the control valve in the event of air failure, the actuator should be furnished complete with lock-in trip valves.

Springless pneumatic piston actuators shall be equipped with a volume tank, which shall be self standing, equipped with a 1/4" drain valve, a pressure gauge, and a nameplates made of stainless steel, and supplied by the VENDOR.

The capacity of the volume tank shall be designed by the VENDOR with the following conditions:

Minimum instrument air pressure: 4.0 barg

Minimum holding air: For three full strokes

Piston operators shall be the spring-return type for throttling service.

Pneumatic piston type actuators shall have integral mounted force balance positioners and shall fail safe as noted on the individual data sheet on air failure. All piston operators for throttling service shall have a positioner.

Pistons and Cylinders shall be of material suitable for withstanding the pressure and chemical characteristics of the operating medium over a wide range of ambient temperatures.

All necessary pneumatic equipment for operation of these actuators shall be provided by the VENDOR. The normal air supply for piston operators shall be 7 Barg. For on/off service with a fail safe detection, a volume tank and a three way valve shall be used instead of a spring return.

2.14.5 Electrohydraulic Actuators

Where applicable, hydraulic actuators shall be double acting cylinders mounted on the valves. The cylinders shall be constructed with stainless steel rod, screws and nuts as a minimum. Seals shall be viton as a minimum.

Hydraulic actuators shall be provided with suitable steel brackets, between the valves and the cylinders. Re-adjustment of the valve stem position in relation to the piston position shall be possible.

Actuator shall be totally enclosed and sealed to give protection to all internal moving parts.

The valve VENDOR shall supply the opening and closing torques, including the maximum allowance valve shear torque, and travel distances to enable the actuator VENDOR to select a suitable hydraulic cylinder.

The maximum torque needed for a valve stroke shall be multiplied by 1.3 safety coefficient at the minimum hydraulic pressure.

Unless otherwise specified, the maximum valve stroking time to achieve the safety position shall be 1 second per inch of the valve body size.

The CONTRACTOR shall provide all interconnecting piping between the hydraulic unit and the valve actuator. The interconnecting piping shall include all pipes and fittings, isolating valves, couplings, etc.

Electrical connections shall be as per the data sheets.

2.15 Control Valve Accessories

2.15.1 Enclosures of Accessories

All enclosures of accessories shall be suitable to meet the specified climatic conditions, instrument enclosure shall be dust proof and waterproof, mechanical protection degree IP65 as per IEC- 529.

2.15.2 Electro-Pneumatic Positioners (E/P)

Positioners are not normally specified for fast loops such as flow control, but usually are specified under the following conditions:

- When process temperature is above 230 °C or below 0 °C.
- When the normal differential pressure across the valve is above 14 Barg
- For balanced valves (double ported), 6" or larger
- For single valves 3" or larger or when the pressure drop exceeds 5 Barg
- For butterfly, ball, or plug and three way valves
- When the process fluid is viscous, a slurry or sludge
- For split range services
- For flashing services
- For high pressure services when tight packing may cause sticking
- For piston operators
- For special valve characteristics
- When specified, the valve positioners shall be mounted and piped to the valve yoke. Pneumatic positioners shall have a filter regulator, gauges and a bypass valve.

All throttling control valves shall be provided with Smart E/P Positioners capable of handling HART signals unless otherwise specified in the data sheet.

E/P Positioners shall be reversible.

The valve Positioners shall be sufficient capacity in both directions for pressuring and venting the actuator to prevent response time limitations.

E/P converters shall convert 4-20 mA signals to 0.2-1.0 barg signals and shall meet the requirement of Intrinsically Safe where required. The type of protection will be specified in the individual data sheets.

Valve positioners with selectable characterizing cam shall be properly adjusted by the VENDOR. An identification plate marked with air supply pressure, air signal and air consumption shall also be provided.

2.15.3 Handwheels

Control valves shall be provided without a handwheel, unless otherwise indicated on the individual data sheets. Handwheels shall be used in diaphragm actuated valves when there is no block and bypass around the control valve. Handwheels shall not be used on emergency or shut-off valves.

If a handwheel is required, the following are the minimum requirements:

- The handwheel shall be of fire safe design
- The handwheel shall be provided with position indicators
- The operating force shall not exceed 350 N on the rim of the handwheel
- The transfer from actuator operation to handwheel operation shall be possible in all stem positions.
- The handwheel should be of the non-declutchable type.

All side mounted handwheels shall be suitable for use as an adjustable travel limit stop in both directions and shall incorporate a neutral position.

Gears and screw threads of the side mounted type shall be enclosed and have a minimum of backlash.

2.15.4 Lock-up Valves

Air lock-up valves shall be provided for the following applications if indicated on individual data sheets:

- All services requiring the control valve to remain in the position immediately prior to a complete failure of the instrument air supply.
- All shut-off control valves requiring an air supply pressure higher than the guaranteed minimum instrument air pressure.

The lock-up valves shall be provided to indicate the range and the set values.

The lock-up valves shall be set at 0.5 bar above the required control valve air supply pressure unless some other set value is required for a particular actuator.

The lock-up valves shall be adjusted by the valve VENDOR.

The lock-up valves shall have a bolt adjustment provided with a locking facility to prevent tampering.

For control valves with a valve positioner, the lock-up shall be installed between the positioner output and the actuator.

Where lock-up valves are applied on solenoid operated valves, the solenoid valve shall be installed between the lock-up valve and the actuator.

2.15.5 Volume Boosters

Volume boosters shall be provided if needed to achieve the stroking times specified in the requisition. Volume boosters for pneumatic actuators shall be of the high capacity type with fast throttling facilities to control the required capacity.

2.15.6 Solenoid Valves

Solenoid valves shall be fitted in airlines to the control valve only if specified in the individual data sheets.

Solenoids shall be used to move the valve to the fail safe position. For diaphragm actuated valves, the solenoid shall be three way, 1/4" NPT and explosion proof. For piston operated valves, it shall be four way, 1/4" NPT and explosion proof. Where specified, the solenoid shall be piped and mounted on the control valve.

The solenoid valves shall be provided with a disc and/or seat of resilient material to give a TSO feature. They should be suitable for installing on a mounting plate.

The air passages in the solenoid valves shall be large enough to achieve the opening or closing time of the valve as stated in the requisition. If this would lead to unrealistically large passages and consequently high

power consumption of the solenoid valve, consideration should be given to the use of quick exhaust valves . The capacity of the solenoid valve (e.g. capacity, pressure rating) shall be checked against the instrument air requirement of the particular actuator.

The minimum port size in the solenoid valve shall be stated by the solenoid valve manufacture and this shall be taken into account for the stroking time.

Solenoid valves shall be without exhaust port protectors but, to prevent plugging, shall be provided with a piece of tubing bent downwards with the end cut off an angle of 45 degree.

For long-stroke large-volume pneumatic cylinder actuators, e.g. actuators on rotary valves, considerations shall be given to the use of pneumatically operated solenoid valves which can handle the required air capacity of the particular actuator. Pneumatically operated primary solenoid valves shall be activated via a secondary solenoid valve, which shall be electrically operated.

Solenoid valves with flying leads shall be provided with a junction box for termination of the leads..

For control valves with a valve positioner, the solenoid valve shall be installed between the positioner output and the actuator.

Solenoid valves should be direct-operated, the application of pilot-operated solenoid valves requires the approval of the COMPANY.

Pneumatic connections shall be ½” NPT female and electrical connections shall be ISO M20 x 1.5.

Limit Switches

Where specified on the individual data sheet, limit switches shall be installed on the control valves, and shall be used to indicate valve position (open, closed, or in transit). The construction of limit switches shall be as follows:

- Limit switches shall be hermetically sealed switches suitable for mounting on the valve. They shall not be affected mechanically or functionally by any vibration.
- Limit switch shall be magnetically operated type, electrical construction and the type of protection will be specified on the individual data sheets.

- They shall have ISO M20 x 1.5 electrical connections.
- Contact shall be SPDT type with rating capacity of 24V DC 1A.
- The limit switches shall be provided with terminal box suitable for external wiring by others.
- Limit switches shall be mounted and tested at the factory.

2.15.8 Limit Stops

Limit stops shall be fitted only if indicated on the P&ID or the individual data sheets.

Limit stops shall be mechanical devices mounted on the actuator, but they shall not form part of the handwheel mechanism (if provided). Bolts screwed in the body shall not be used as a limit stop.

Screwed bolt-type limit stops, e.g. on the control valve stem, adjustable over the full length of the stroke shall be applied.

To prevent tampering, the limit stops shall be fitted with a locking facility, e.g. a locking nut.

The limit stops shall be adequately protected against unintentional adjustments.

The Manufacturer/Supplier shall set the limit/travel stops at the required minimum or maximum valve opening.

2.15.9 Filter Regulators

Air filter regulators shall be installed in the instrument air supply lines to the actuator and/or positioner or individual instruments, in order to regulate the instrument air supply pressure. The make of filter regulator shall be as specified in the requisition.

The air filter regulators shall be of the reducing-relief valve type, with drainage facility and bolt adjustment provided with a locking facility, e.g. a locking nut, to prevent tampering.

The air filter cartridges shall be of the rigid structure type to channelling, rupturing shrinkage or distortion and shall have maximum mesh size of 40m.

The capability, e.g. output capacity and required spring range, of the filter-requirement shall be checked against the instrument air requirement of the particular positioner and/or actuator or pneumatic instrument.

Glass (bowl-type) filter regulators shall not be used.

2.15.10 Instrument Air Tubings

All instrument air supply and signal tubings and fittings shall be 316 stainless steel as a minimum. Air tubing shall be sized correctly by the VENDOR in order not to starve the valve.

2.16 Control Valve Sizing

General Considerations

Control valves sizing shall be according to ISA S75.1, or VENDOR's standard method of valve sizing using a proven system.

The VENDOR shall submit the valve calculation sheet when necessary for evaluation work.

The valve calculation sheet shall show the capacities, noise levels, and all the other information. For valves having different operation conditions calculation sheets shall be provided for all operation condition.

The sizes given on the individual data sheet should be considered as preliminary and the VENDOR shall confirm valve sizes.

Valves Sizing

Valves shall generally be selected to control with maximum limit operating conditions between 10% and 90% of its opening stroke. Control valves shall be sized such that the valve opening at normal flow condition to be around 60%-75% depending on trim characteristic.

Butterfly valves shall normally be sized for a maximum travel of 60°, unless the valve characteristics allow control over a wider range of opening.

Valves sizing shall be based on the sizing CV in accordance with the following criteria:

- a) If normal flow is specified:
 - Calculated Cv – Based on normal flow
 - Selected Cv – Based on 1.4 x normal flow

b) If maximum flow is specified but is equal to or less than 1.4x normal flow.

Calculated Cv – Based on normal flow

Selected Cv – Based on 1.5 x normal flow

c) When maximum flow is specified, but is greater than 1.4x normal flow

Calculated Cv – Based on normal flow

Selected Cv – Based on 1.1 x maximum flow

The selected manufacturer “CV’s” shall be used to determine valve size.

2.17 Noise Level

The maximum noise level for each control valve shall be limited to:

a) 85 dBA for normal operation

Measured as one meter away from the downstream pipe work of the valve.

The VENDOR shall calculate the control valves’ noise emission, as follows:

b) Throttling control valves

- Calculation shall be made with the sizing data
- When there are several flowing conditions, the normal and maximum flow conditions shall be utilized
- For the cavitation valves, the minimum flow conditions shall also be considered for the calculation.

c) On/off valves

At fully opened condition, the noise level shall be calculated.

Where necessary, the VENDOR may use diffusers in conjunction with low noise valves.

Where final noise calculation indicates more than 85 dB(A), higher scheduled pipes shall be considered for the downstream pipings.

In those applications where the use of low noise valves and increased line schedule still do not provide a low enough noise level, use of suitable acoustical insulation downstream and upstream of the valve will be required, to meet the noise requirements.

2.18 Limitation in Outlet Velocity

The velocity in the valve outlet should not reach sonic velocity. Acoustic fatigue associated with large-flow gas piping systems shall be taken into consideration.

2.19 Instrument Air Supply

The conditions of the instrument air supplies will be as follows:

- Clean and dry (Dew point – 20°C, at 8 barg)

- Pressure:

Minimum: 5.0 barg

Operating: 8.5 barg

Design: 9.5 barg

2.20 Nameplate

Control Valves

Each control valve shall be furnished with a corrosion resistant nameplate, permanently fastened with drive-screws and stamped as follows:

- a) Manufacturer's name, model number, and serial number (valve and actuator)
- b) Valve action on air failure
- c) Operating range
- d) Body and trim size (in inches)
- e) Body and trim materials
- f) Trim type, and characteristic
- g) Body and flange rating

- h) Instrument tag number in accordance with the individual data sheet
- i) Stem travel length
- j) Installed CV value
- k) Bench setting/spring range
- l) Limit stop setting in % travel and between brackets the related Cv valve (if any)
- m) Stroking time
- n) Signal range

Performance Guarantees

The VENDOR shall guarantee the following minimum performances for the throttling control valves.

Hysteresis 5% of maximum valve stroke without positioner

1% of maximum valve stroke with connected positioner

Dead band 6% of the signal range without positioner

1% of the signal range with connected positioner

Linearity (understood as a deviation from linear relation between percent rated travel and diaphragm pressure):

±5% of maximum valve stroke without positioner

±5% of maximum valve stroke without positioner

Note: From the selected plug model and/or positioner type, when the above mentioned values can not be achieved the VENDOR shall inform the COMPANY of their deviation.

All dimensions (including overall height) shall be as shown on the Manufacturer/Supplier's drawings.
The flange face finish shall be checked in accordance with ANSI 46.1.

3.3 Seat Leakage Test

The seat leakage test shall be in accordance with ANSI-B16-104.

The seat leakage test procedures shall be executed for all control valves of class V or VI. For a double-seated control valve the leakage rate shall not exceed the limits of class II.

For each control valve, in the shut-off position, the Manufacturer/Supplier shall perform a leakage calculation at the test conditions (as defined in the test procedure) and at operating conditions with the specified fluid.

The control valve shall be tested under the thrust or torque applied by the actuator, with the signal pressure that will be available to close the valve, e.g. 0.2 to 1.0 bar bench setting as required.

For each valve tested, the Manufacturer/Supplier will state the following data:

- Flow direction
- Test medium
- Test differential pressure
- Duration of test
- Seat leakage flow rate measured
- Allowable seat leakage flow rate
- Seat leakage class (if applicable).

3.4 Performance and Mechanical Operation Test

The control valve shall be completely assembled and fitted with all accessories such as positioner, solenoid valve(s), etc. The packing box shall be correctly packed to the tightness as needed for the hydrostatic test (if necessary, packing shall be renewed after testing).

The performance and mechanical test, which shall be executed randomly shall include a Hysteresis test, a dead band test and a stroking time test.

The actuating medium for the tests shall be clean, dry air or nitrogen.

The Hysteresis test shall consist of measuring the valve stem position for the following sequence of input signals: 50%, 75%, 100%, 75%, 50%, 25%, 0%, 25%, and 50%.

Hysteresis shall not exceed 5% of maximum valve stroke (without positioner), and shall not exceed 1% of maximum valve stroke (with connected positioner).

The dead band test is expressed in percentage of the input span and shall be measured at 5%, 50% and 95% of the input span. The maximum dead band found shall not exceed 6% of rated input signal (without positioner), and shall not exceed 1% of rated input signal (with connected positioner).

Testing shall be performed under atmospheric conditions (at zero differential pressure and ambient temperature) and with the minimum specified air supply pressure.

The above test results should be recorded on a X-Y recorder.

If the control valve is equipped with a handwheel, the fully open and closed position of the valve shall be achieved with handwheel operation, taking over from actuator starting at mid-position.

If the control valve is equipped with limit switches, they shall be checked for functional operation with a proximity tester.

3.5 Materials Inspection and Certification

Material inspection and certification requirements shall be as per the VENDOR standards.

The COMPANY reserves the right to send his inspectors or 3rd party inspectors to the VENDOR's works and his SUBVENDOR's to check, whether their design and manufacturing schedule is being maintained.

The inspectors shall have the right to access to the areas involved for the construction of the equipment and instruments ordered under this specification and the VENDOR shall give them the necessary co-operation.

For the special tests, if any, refer to the requirements specified on the individual data sheet.

4. Inspection & testing

4.1 Inspection and testing procedure of those instruments covered by this technical specification shall be submitted by the VENDOR at least 6 weeks prior to inspection and testing for review and approval.

4.2 Without imposing any limitation on the above requirements, as minimum, the following tests and inspections shall be made by the VENDOR.

- a) Calibration check
- b) Hydrostatic
- c) Specification/dimension check

4.3 The COMPANY reserves the right to send his inspectors or 3rd party inspectors to the VENDORS shop and his SUB-VENDORS schedule is being maintained. to check, whether their design and manufacturing.

4.4 The inspectors shall have the right access to the areas involved for the construction of the equipment's ordered under this specification, and the VENDOR shall give them the necessary co-operation.

4.5 For the special test, if any refer to the requirements specified on the individual data sheet.

5. SPARE PARTS AND SPECIAL TOOLS

5.1 Spare Parts

The VENDOR shall provide lists of recommended spare parts, which shall include the original part numbers with prices for commissioning, start-up and two years operation. All spare parts shall be identified individually.

The VENDOR shall be able to provide spares back up and support for the plant life of at least 25 years.

5.2 Special Tools

The VENDOR shall provide any special tools required for the satisfactory operation and maintenance of his equipment. A complete list of special tools shall be provided by the VENDOR at enquiry stag .

6. DOCUMENTATION

The VENDOR shall provide the following documentation as a minimum:

- Detailed drawing of the control valve assembly including overall dimensions, face to face dimensions, rating, actuator type and size, accessories, materials, and weights.
- Control valve calculations including noise calculations
- Wiring and pneumatic connection details

Section 8

Sample Datasheet

GENERAL	1	Tag Number	Equipment Number					
	2	Service						
	3	Line Number	P&ID Number					
	4	Area Classification						
	5	Ambient Temperature:	Min.	Max.				
	6	Allowable Sound Pressure Level dBA						
	7	Tightness Requirements						
	8	Available Air Supply Pressure:	Min.	Max.				
	9	Power Failure Position						
	10							
PIPE LINE	11	Line Size and Schedule	Inlet	Outlet				
	12	Pipe Material						
	13	Pipe Insulation						
PROCESS CONDITIONS	14	Process Fluid						
	15	Upstream Condition						
	16	Differential Pressure						
	17				Units	@ Max. Flow	@ Norm. Flow	@ Min. Flow
	18	Flow Rate						
	19	Inlet Pressure						
	20	Pressure Drop						
	21	Inlet Temperature						
	22	Molecular Mass						
	23	Inlet Compressibility Factor						
24	Inlet Viscosity							
25	Inlet Specific Heats Ratio							
26	Inlet Vapor Pressure							
27								
CALCULATED RESULTS	28	Flow Coefficient Cv						
	29	Travel						
	30	SPL @						
BODY AND TRIM	31	MFR	Model					
	32	Body Type						
	33	Body Size	Trim Size					
	34	Rated Cv	Characteris.					
	35	End Connec. & Rating						
	36	Body Material						
	37	Bonnet Type	Material					
	38	Flow Direction						
	39	Flow Action To						
	40	Lubricator	Isolat. Valve					
	41	Guiding	No. of Ports					
	42	Trim Type						
	43	Rated Travel						
	44	Plug/ Ball/ Disk Material						
	45	Seat Material						
46	Cage	Stem Material						
47	Gasket Material							
48	Packing Material							
ACTUATOR	49	MFR	Model					
	50	Type						
	51	Size	Area					
	52	Air Failure Valve:						
	53	Handwheel Location						
	54	Bench Range						
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Notes:								
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GENERAL	1	Tag Number					
	2	Service					
	3	P&ID Number	Equipment Number				
	4	Area Classification					
BODY	5	Body Size	Trim Size				
	6	Valve Type	Body Material				
	7	Connections & Rating	Bolting				
	8	Bonnet	Finish (µINS)				
	9	Packing	Lubrication & Isolation				
10							
TRIM	11	Plug Material	Seat Material				
	12	Shaft Material	Trim Form				
	13	Number of Seats	Guiding				
	14	Characteristic	Flow tends to				
	15	Leakage Class	Trim Number				
16							
ACTUATOR	17	Actuator Type	Model Number				
	18	Mounting Position	Size				
	19	Spring Range	Air Failure				
	20	Operating Signal					
	21	Manual Reset	Reset Location				
22							
ACCESSORIES	23	Positioner	I/P Transducer				
	24	Signal Input	Signal Output				
	25	Gauges	Bypass				
	26	Air Supply	Air Set				
	27	Lockup	Handwheel				
	28	Trim Character	Split Range				
	29	Solenoid Valve					
	30	Limit Switch Close	Limit Switch Open				
31	Fluid						
32	Corrosive	Erosive	Fouling Material				
PROCESS DATA	33			Units	@ Max. Flow	@ Norm. Flow	@ Min. Flow
	34	Flow Rate @ Norm. T					
	35	Pressure Drop @					
	36	Inlet Pressure @					
	37	Temperature					
	38	Cv Calc. @		—			
	39	Valve Opening		%			
	40	SPL @		dBA			
	41	Δ P @ Shut-Off	Selected Valve Cv				
	42	Design Pressure	Design Temperature				
	43	Vapor Pressure	Critical Pressure				
	44	S. G. @ Base	S. G. @ Conditions				
	45	Viscosity @ Oper.	M.W. Gas				
46	Sp Heat Ratio Cp/Cv	Z					
47	Line Size and Sch.	Line Number	sch.				
48	Cavitating Service	Valve Cm, Ct, Fl, Cl					
PURCHASE	49			Valve	Positioner	Transducer	
	50	Vendor					
	51	Manufacturer					
	52	Model					
	53	Purchase Order Number					
	54	Serial Number					
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FLOW MEASUREMENT

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1. Definition

Flow measurement account for high percentage of the process variables measured in the chemical processing industries.

The most common method of measuring flow is the differential pressure or “Head” device which Utilizes restriction element(orifice, venture,etc...)in line. For this method ,flow rate is proportional to the square root of the differential pressure generated by flow through the restriction.

Nature of Fluids

Acknowledge of some basic characteristics of fluids is necessary for choosing the best method of fluid measurement.

Viscosity

Is defined as a fluid to resist the forces of shear or deformation.a good example of highly viscous material is cold sorghum molasses ,which does not flow easily in comparison to water.the unit of viscosity is centipoises.(cP)in metric system unit

Density

Is define as mass per unit volume

Specific Gravity

Is its weight ratio to a standard. For liq.the standard is water, and for gas and vapor is Air.

Temperature

The effect of temp.changes has already been noted on viscosity, density and compressibility

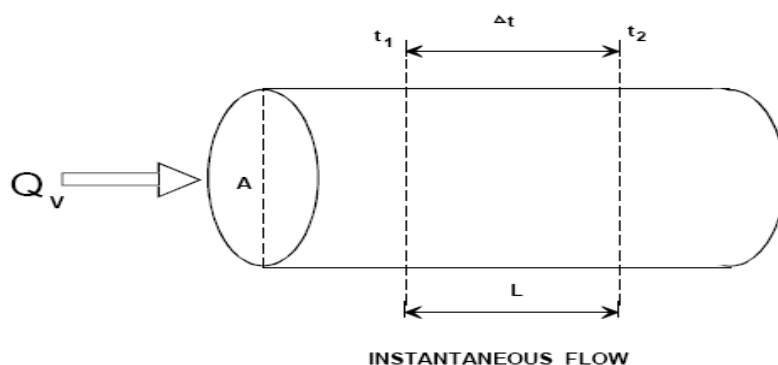
Pressure

The Effect of pressure variation has been well define in its relation to density,Specific gravity and compressibility.

Flow

Flow is defined as a quantity of fluid moved in a given interval of time.

- A quantity of fluid can be expressed as a volume or as a mass. Therefore, total flow and instantaneous flow, defined below, will be expressed in terms of volume flow and mass flow.
- **Totalised Flow** is the total quantity of fluid moved. In this case, time is ignored as a factor or dimension, for the quantity of the fluid is more important than the speed with which it is transported or used. Units of flow used for totalised flow is metre³, litre, gallon, barrel, kg, ton
- **Instantaneous flow**
- Instantaneous flow is the rate of flow: the quantity fluid moved per unit of time.
- $QV = \text{Volume} / \Delta t$



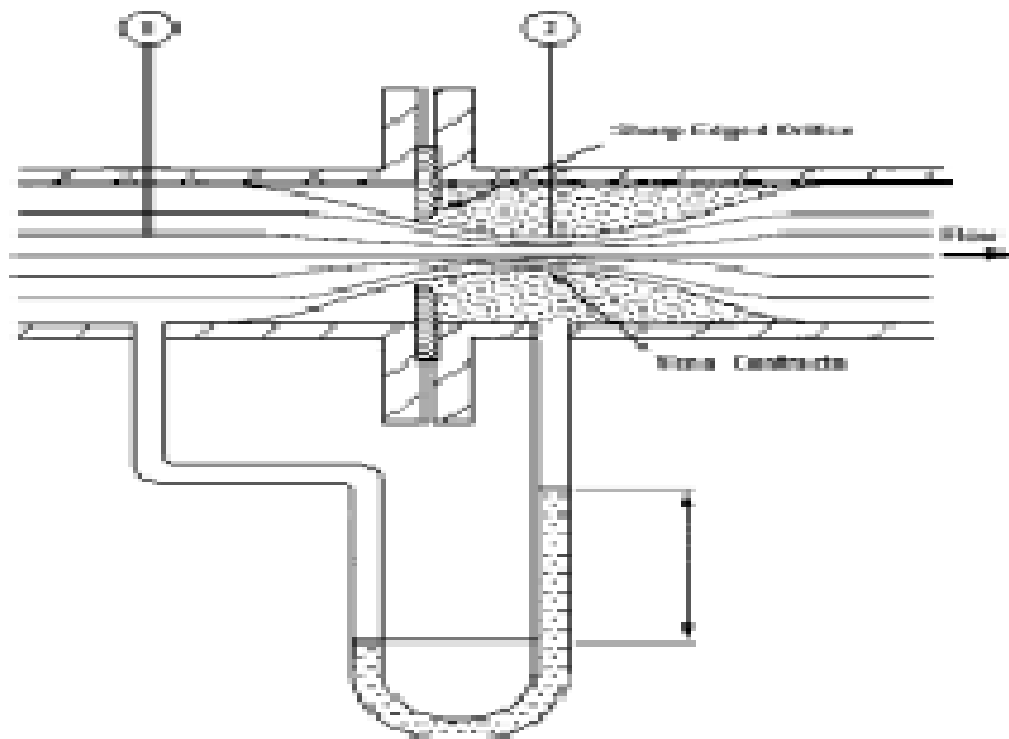
- Since volume moved between time t_1 and t_2 (Δt) equates:
 - A (cross section area) \times L (length)
 - We can write: $QV = A \times L / \Delta t$
 - Also: $L / \Delta t = v$ (velocity)
- **Volume Flow formula is expressed as follows:**
- **$QV = A \times v$**

- QV is expressed in m^3 / s , in SI Units
- when A in m^2
- and v in m / s
- **Mass flow can be expressed as follows:**
- Since: mass = volume x density:
- **$QM = QV \times \rho$**
- QM is expressed in kg / s in SI units.
- when QV is in m^3 / s
- and ρ is in kg / m^3
- Mass flow is expressed in kg / h when QV is in m^3 / h
- **REYNOLDS' NUMBER**
- REYNOLDS derived a means of quantifying fluid flow into 2 ranges of numerical values that
- indicate either laminar or turbulent flow by use of the **following relationship:**
- $Re = Dv / \nu$
- Where;
- ***Re: Reynolds number (dimensionless unit)***
- D : pipe diameter (m)
- v : average fluid velocity (m/s)
- ν : fluid kinematics viscosity (m^2/s)
- In filled pipes, Reynolds number depends on fluid velocity, viscosity, and on pipe diameter. The Reynolds number gives an indication of the flow

conditions, and Reynolds found by increasing the velocity, that the flow patterns change from laminar flow to turbulent flow at a number of approximately 2000. Reynolds numbers greater than 4000 are generally accepted as being in the turbulent region.

- Transition flow occurs in the range of 2000 to 4000
- **Bernoulli's equation**
- Considering a short section of pipe and a non-compressible fluid, it is assumed:
 - - no temperature change in the flowing fluid
 - - the fluid is flowing in a horizontal pipe
 - - no work is added to the fluid by a pump
- Bernoulli's principle and theorem:
 - -For an incompressible, under ideal flow conditions - For a stream of ideal fluid in steady state, with no frictional forces acting under gravitational forces, Bernoulli theorem state that sum of pressure energy, kinetic energy and potential energy is constant:
 - For a mass of 1 kg:
 - $P_1/\rho + V_1^2/2 + Z = \text{constant}$
 - Since the total energy of the fluid at the start, must be the same as at the end, it is possible to equate the applicable energy terms that apply to the case selected, namely, the pressure energy and the kinetic energy terms:
 - $P_1/\rho + V_1^2/2$

- $\frac{2}{2} = P_2/ + V_2$
- $\frac{2}{2} = \text{constant}$
- Or, stated as total fluid energy, remembering the assumptions above:
- **$E_1 = E_2 = \text{constant}$**
- Consequently, whenever its pressure increases, the velocity decreases and when its pressure decreases, the velocity increases.
- **DIFFERENTIAL PRESSURE MEASUREMENT**
- Differential pressure metering is one of the oldest methods of measuring flow rate in industry. For permanent flow in a continuous pipe, the mass flow is constant all along the pipe. As per Bernoulli's equation
- A restriction in the pipe will produce a differential pressure (ΔP) across this restriction, due to the change in fluid velocity.
- Thus ΔP can be measured from which the flow can be calculated.



A TYPICAL ORIFICE METER

- **2.Orifice Flowmeter**

- The flow element such as Orifice Plate and Venturi effect is the reduction in fluid pressure that results when a fluid flows through a constricted section of pipe. The fluid velocity must increase through the constriction to satisfy the equation of continuity, while its pressure must decrease due to conservation of energy: the gain in kinetic energy is balanced by a drop in pressure or a pressure gradient force. An equation for the drop in pressure due to Orifice or venturi effect may be derived from a combination of Bernoulli's principle and the equation of continuity.

- **Orifice Plate**

- Orifice plate technology represents one of the most accepted and versatile methods for measuring flow. Its simplicity is attractive from both maintenance and application perspectives. However, to achieve the full performance of orifice plate technology, a considerable amount of detail must be attended to.
- This device is a thin sharp edged plate with a concentric bore, installed in the pipe.

An orifice plate (restriction) inserted in a pipe will produce a differential pressure (ΔP) across this restriction, due to the change in fluid velocity.

Applying Bernoulli's equation to the upstream (P1) and downstream (P2) locations of an orifice plate a relationship between ΔP (which can be measured) and flow can be worked out. refer next paragraph- and it is found that the (ΔP) generated across an orifice is proportional to the square of the flow through the orifice plate.

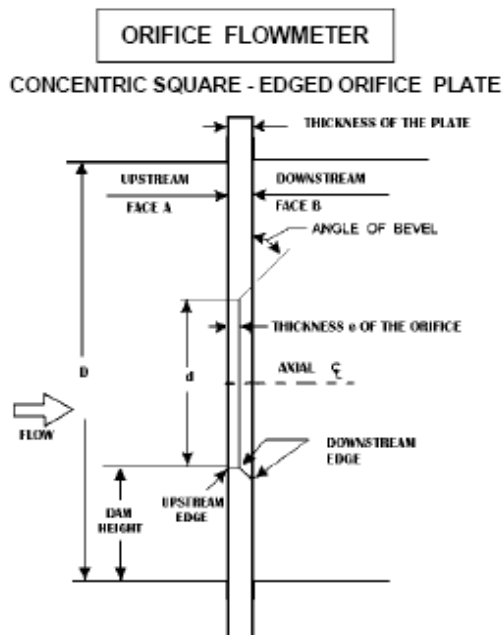
Orifice Plate construction

Description

The orifice plate is usually constructed of metal, with a bore of a predetermined size and

machined to tight tolerances. It is installed between two flanges in the pipe and forms a

restriction in the flow through the pipe.



Orifice plates generally are unidirectional. As the direction of the orifice plate cannot be

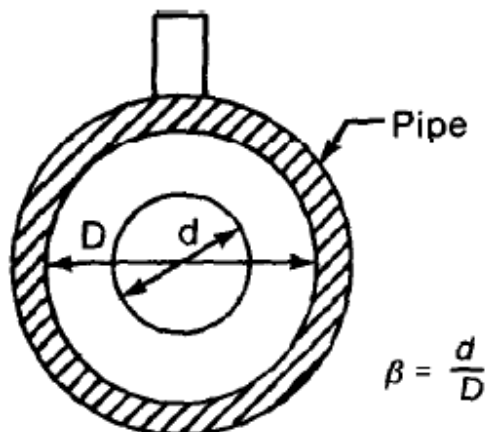
determined once it is installed in the pipe, standard industry practice is to stamp or affix key

dimensional information on the upstream side of the orifice plate handle.

The thin, concentric, square-edged orifice plate is the most commonly applied type of orifice plate.

The bore is circular and is in a position such that upon installation the circle will be positioned in the center of the pipe. As the plate is thick compared to the diameter of the pipe, the back of the orifice is usually beveled or counter-bored to make the orifice plate effectively thinner and performance more predictable.

The diameter ratio of the orifice to the pipe ID (termed the β ratio) is commonly used to characterize the orifice plate.



Eccentric orifice plates, have a circular opening machined in the same manner as a concentric orifice plate, but located nearly tangent to the bottom of the pipe for liquids and tangent to the top of the pipe for gases.

This type of orifice plate can be used to allow entrained gases or liquid in two-phase flows to

An integral orifice plate is a machined concentric orifice assembly that is mounted inside or directly attached to the transmitter. Integral orifice flowmeters are applied to small flows,

typically in the 1/2 to 1- 1 / 2 inch pipe size.

Vent and Weep Holes

Orifice plates may be specified with either a vent or a weep hole for liquid or gas service,

respectively.

Vent holes allow gas that may accumulate upstream of the orifice plate

Weep holes are commonly used at the bottom of the pipe to allow condensation to pass

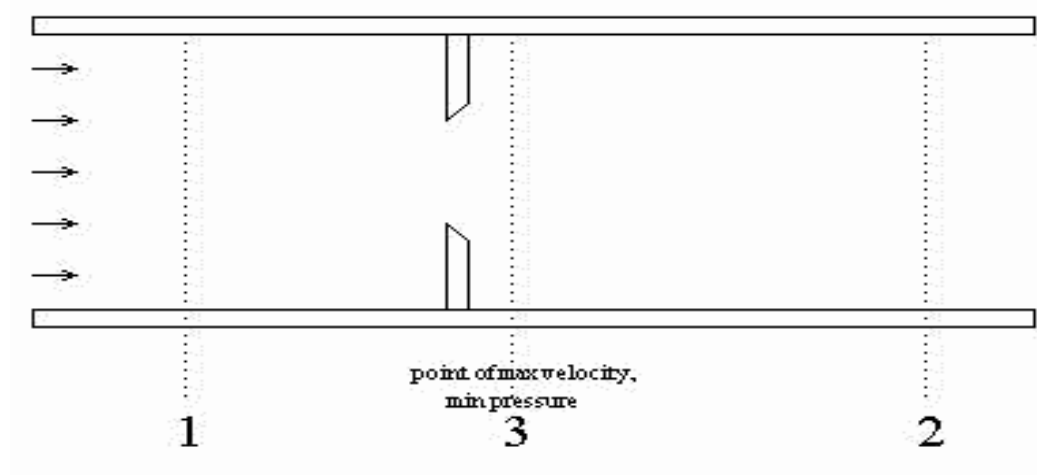
through the flowmeter

When the fluid being measured is not clean, the weep or vent hole can plug

Pressure Taps locations

Pressure taps are located upstream and downstream of the orifice plate to allow measurement of the differential pressure. The points upstream will be the high-pressure tap,

and the point downstream will be the low-pressure tap.



Several sensors rely on the **pressure drop or head** occurring as a fluid flows by a resistance. The relationship between flow rate and pressure difference is determined by the Bernoulli equation.

- An orifice plate is a restriction with an opening smaller than the pipe diameter which is inserted in the pipe; the typical orifice plate has a concentric, sharp edged opening.

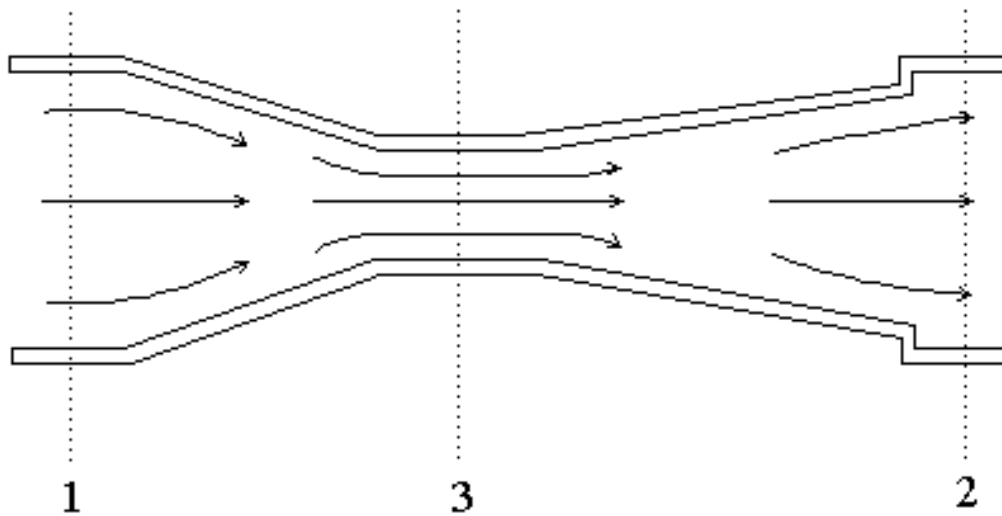
- Because of the smaller area the fluid velocity increases, causing a corresponding decrease in pressure.
- The flow rate can be calculated from the measured pressure drop across the orifice plate, P_1-P_3 .
- The orifice plate is the most commonly used flow sensor, but it creates a rather large non-recoverable pressure due to the turbulence around the plate, leading to high energy consumption.
- **Bernoulli's equation**

$$\frac{P_1}{\rho g} + \frac{1}{2g} v_1^2 = \frac{P_3}{\rho g} + \frac{1}{2g} v_3^2 + \Sigma f$$

where f represents the total friction loss
that is usually assumed negligible.

3.Venturi Tube

Venturi tubes are more expensive to construct than a simple orifice plate which uses the same principle as a tubular scheme, but the orifice plate causes significantly more permanent energy loss.



The change in cross-sectional area in the venturi tube causes a pressure change between the convergent section and the throat, and the flow rate can be determined from this pressure drop. Although more expensive than an orifice plate; the venturi tube introduces substantially lower non-recoverable pressure drops .

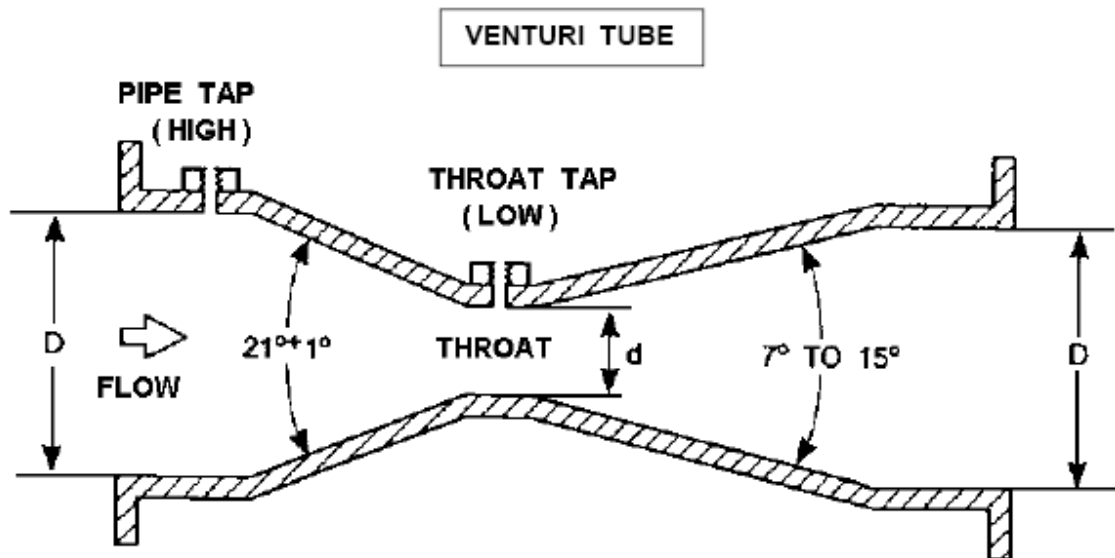
The Venturi tube is used where little pressure drop is available or required.

The classical Venturi tube consists of a converging conical inlet section, a cylindrical throat and a diverging recovery cone.

Fluid velocity increases in the converging inlet section, increasing the velocity head and decreasing the pressure head.

The flow rate remains static in the throat section where there is no cross-sectional dimensional change, but it decreases in the recovery section, and the decreased velocity head is recovered as pressure.

The relatively large recovery at this point results in a permanent pressure loss of only 10 to 25 % of the differential pressure across the tube. When very high flow rates are involved, substantial savings in power requirements can be obtained.



Pressure taps for Venturi sections are usually located in the uniform section upstream ahead of the cone for the high-pressure measurement, and at the throat for the low pressure measurement.

4. Pitot Tubes

A Pitot tube is a pressure measuring instrument used to measure fluid flow velocity by determining the stagnation pressure. Bernoulli's equation is used to calculate the dynamic pressure and hence fluid velocity.

- Pitot tubes were invented by Henri Pitot in 1732 to measure the flowing velocity of fluids. Basically a differential pressure (d/p) flowmeter, a pitot tube measures two pressures: the static and the total impact pressure.
- Pitot tubes are used to measure air flow in pipes, ducts, and stacks, and liquid flow in pipes, weirs, and open channels.

- While accuracy and rangeability are relatively low, pitot tubes are simple, reliable, inexpensive, and suited for a variety of environmental conditions, including extremely high temperatures and a wide range of pressures.
- The point velocity of approach (VP) can be calculated by taking the square root of the difference between the total pressure (PT) and the static pressure (P) and multiplying that by the C/D ratio, where C is a dimensional constant and D is density:

$$V_P = C(P_T - P)^{1/2} / D$$

- A single-port pitot tube can measure the flow velocity at only a single point in the cross-section of a flowing stream.
- The probe must be inserted to a point in the flowing stream where the flow velocity is the average of the velocities across the cross-section, and its impact port must face directly into the fluid flow.

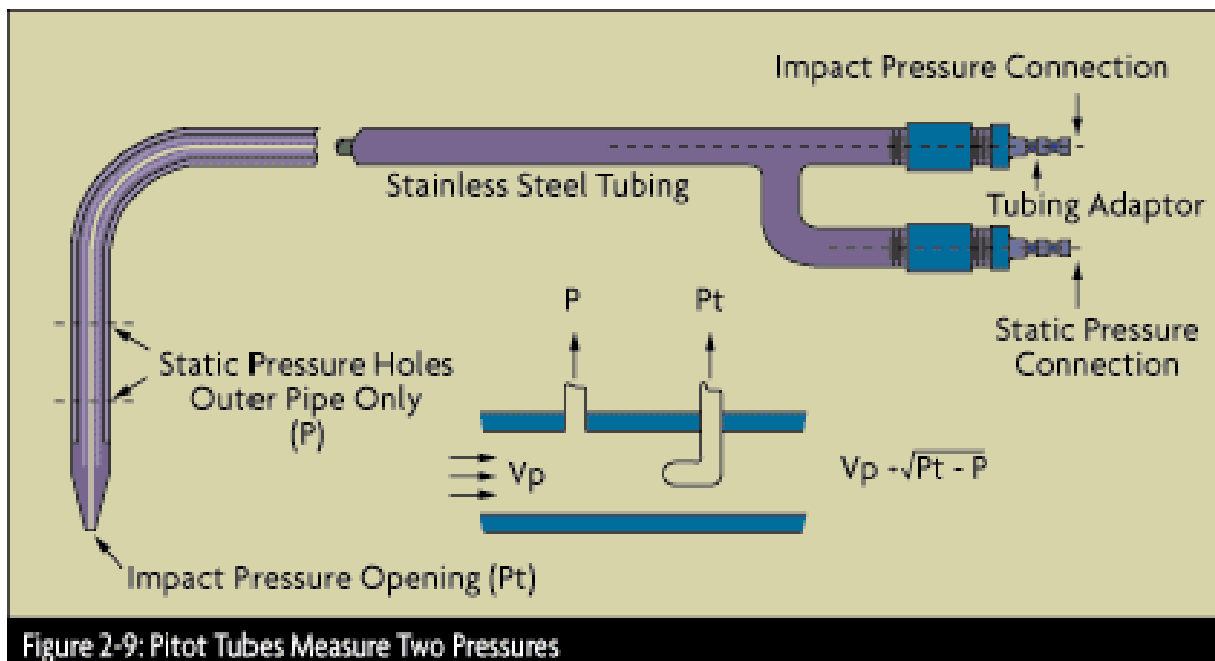


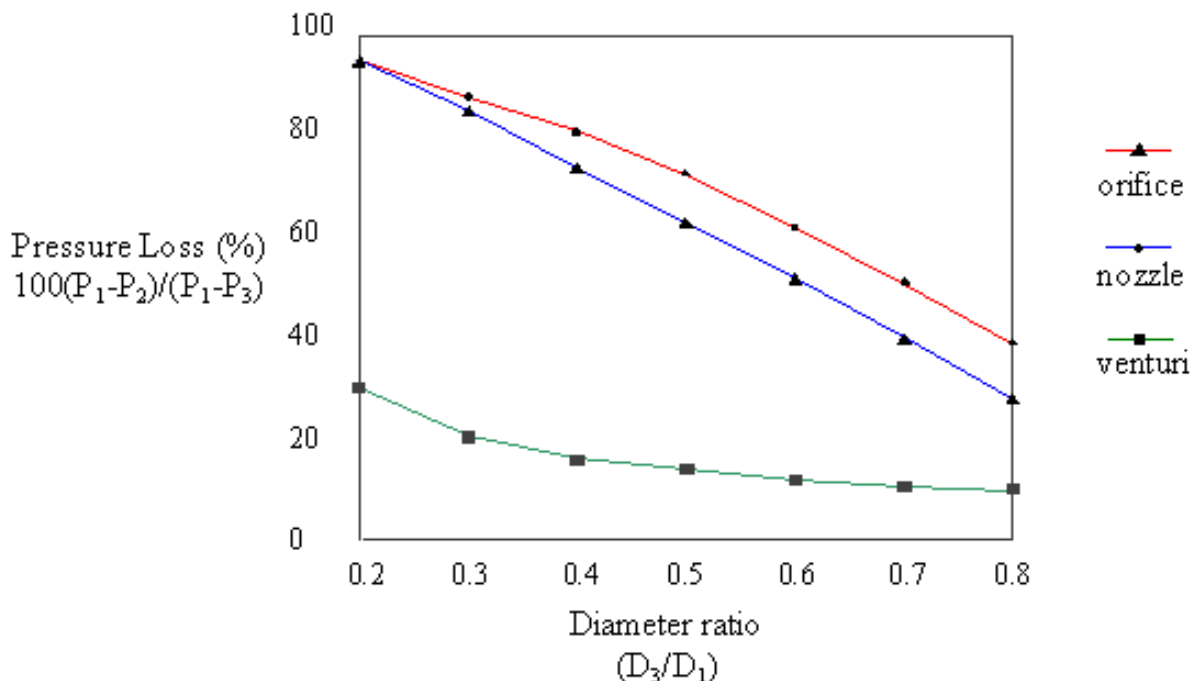
Figure 2-9: Pitot Tubes Measure Two Pressures

(Figure 2-9).

- The pitot tube measures the static and dynamic (or impact) pressures of the fluid at **one point** in the pipe.
- The flow rate can be determined from the difference between the static and dynamic pressures which is the velocity head of the fluid flow.
- Both the pitot tube and annubar contribute very small pressure drops, but they are not physically strong and should be used only with clean fluids.

4.Flow Nozzle

- A flow nozzle consists of a restriction with an elliptical contour approach section that terminates in a cylindrical throat section.
- Pressure drop between the locations one pipe diameter upstream and one-half pipe diameter downstream is measured.
- Flow nozzles provide an intermediate pressure drop between orifice plates and venturi tubes; also, they are applicable to some slurry systems.



Comparison between flow-meters

Sensor	Rangeability ¹	Accuracy ²	Dynamics (s)	Advantages	Disadvantages
orifice	3.5:1	2-4% of full span	-	-low cost -extensive industrial practice	-high pressure loss -plugging with slurries
venturi	3.5:1	1% of full span	-	-lower pressure loss than orifice -slurries do not plug	-high cost -line under 15 cm
flow nozzle	3.5:1	2% full span	-	-good for slurry service -intermediate pressure loss	-higher cost than orifice plate -limited pipe sizes
turbine	20:1	0.25% of measurement	-	-wide rangeability -good accuracy	-high cost -strainer needed, especially for slurries
vortex shedding	10:1	1% of measurement	-	-wide rangeability -insensitive to variations in density, temperature, pressure, and viscosity	-expensive
positive displacement	10:1 or greater	0.5% of measurement	-	-high reangeability -good accuracy	-high pressure drop -damaged by flow surge or solids

5. Vortex Flow-meters

Another method of flow measurement involves placing a bluff body (called a shedder bar) in the path of the fluid. As the fluid passes this bar, disturbances in the flow called vortices are created. The vortices trail behind the cylinder, alternatively from each side of the bluff body. This vortex trail is called the Von Kármán vortex street after von Karman's 1912 mathematical description of the phenomenon. The frequency at which these vortices alternate sides is essentially proportional to the flow rate of the fluid. Inside, atop, or downstream of the shedder bar is a sensor for measuring the frequency of the vortex shedding. This sensor is often a piezoelectric crystal, which produces a small, but measurable,

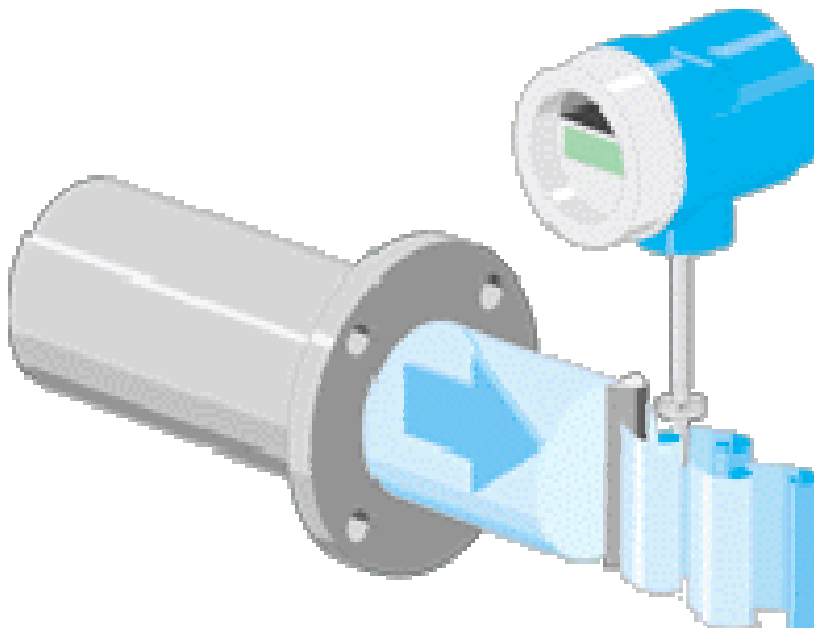
voltage pulse every time a vortex is created. Since the frequency of such a voltage pulse is also proportional to the fluid velocity, a volumetric flow rate is calculated using the cross sectional area of the flow meter. The frequency is measured and the flow rate is calculated by the flowmeter electronics.

With $f = SV/L$ where,

- f = the frequency of the vortices
- L = the characteristic length of the bluff body
- V = the velocity of the flow over the bluff body
- S = Strouhal number, which is essentially a constant for a given body shape within its operating limits

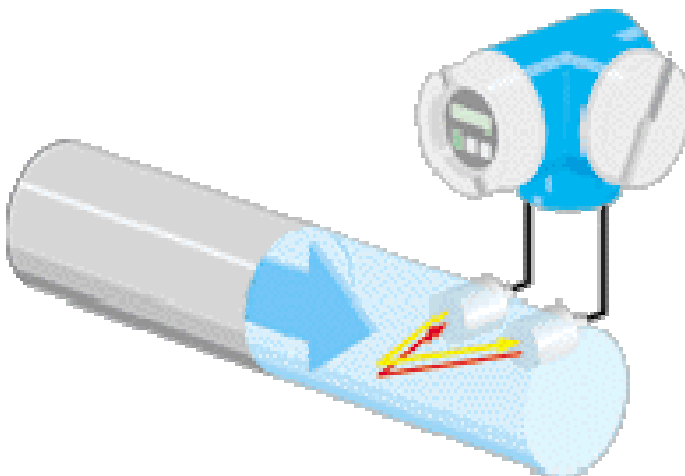
This measuring principle is based on the fact that vortices are formed downstream of an obstacle in a fluid flow, e.g. behind a bridge pillar.

This phenomenon is commonly known as the Kármán vortex street.



1. When the fluid flows past a bluff body in the measuring tube, vortices are alternately formed on each side of this body.
2. The frequency of vortex shedding down each side of the bluff body is directly proportional to mean flow velocity and to volume flow.
3. As they shed in the downstream flow, each of the alternating vortices creates a local low pressure area in the measuring tube.
4. This is detected by a sensor, such as capacitive sensor and fed to the electronic processor as a primary, digitized, linear signal.
5. Capacitive sensors with integrated temperature measurement can directly register the mass flow of saturated steam as well, for example.
6. Universally suitable for measuring liquids, gases and steam
7. Largely unaffected by changes in pressure, temperature and viscosity
8. High long-term stability (lifetime K factor), no zero-point drift
9. No moving parts
10. Marginal pressure loss

6. Ultrasonic flow-meters



Swimming against the flow requires more power and more time than swimming with the flow. Ultrasonic flow measurement is based on this elementary transit time difference effect.

- Two sensors mounted on the pipe simultaneously send and receive ultrasonic pulses.
- At zero flow, both sensors receive the transmitted ultrasonic wave at the same time, i.e. without transit time delay.
- When the fluid is in motion, the waves of ultrasonic sound do not reach the two sensors at the same time.
- This measured "transit time difference" is directly proportional to the flow velocity and therefore to flow volume.
- By using the absolute transit times both the averaged fluid velocity and the speed of sound can be calculated.
- **Ultrasonic flow meters** measure the difference of the propagation time (transit time) of ultrasonic pulses propagating in (normally an inclination angle around 30 to 45° is used) flow direction and against the flow direction.
- This time difference is a measure for the averaged velocity of the fluid along the path of the ultrasonic beam.

Using the two transit times t_{up} and t_{down} and the distance between receiving and transmitting transducers L and the inclination angle α , one can write the equations

$$v = \frac{L}{2 \sin(\alpha)} \frac{t_{up} - t_{down}}{t_{up} t_{down}}$$

$$c = \frac{L}{2} \frac{t_{up} + t_{down}}{t_{up} t_{down}}$$

where v is the average velocity of the fluid along the sound path and c is the speed of sound.

Measurement of the [doppler shift](#) resulting in reflecting an [ultrasonic](#) beam off the flowing fluid is another recent, accurate innovation made possible by electronics.

Non-contact measurement from outside. Ideal for measuring highly aggressive liquids or fluids under high pressure

advantage

- With homogeneous fluids, the principle is independent of pressure, temperature, conductivity and viscosity
- Usable for a wide range of nominal diameters Direct meter installation on existing pipes.
- Non-invasive measurement
- No pipe constrictions, no pressure losses
- No moving parts. Minimum outlay for maintenance and upkeep

7.Major issues for selecting flowmeters

Accuracy - Accuracy is the degree of conformity of the measured value with the accepted standard or ideal value, which we can take as the true physical variable.

Accuracy is usually reported as a range of maximum inaccuracy. These ranges should have a significance level, such as 95% of the measurements will be within the inaccuracy range.

Repeatability – The closeness of agreement among a number of consecutive measurements of the same variable (value) under the same operating conditions, approaching in the same direction.

rifice flow meters with accuracy of $\pm 3\%$ of maximum flow range.

Reproducibility – The closeness of agreement among a number of consecutive measurements of the same variable (value) under the same operating conditions over a period of time, approaching from both directions. This is usually expressed as non-reproducibility as a percentage of range (span).

- Often, an important balance is between accuracy and reproducibility, with the proper choice depending on each process application.
- **Linearity** - This is the closeness to a straight line of the relationship between the true process variable and the measurement.
- Lack of linearity does not necessarily degrade sensor performance. If the nonlinearity can be modeled and an appropriate correction applied to the measurement before it is used for monitoring and control, the effect of the non-linearity can be eliminated.
- **Linearity** is usually reported as **non-linearity**, which is the maximum of the deviation between the calibration curve and a straight line positioned so that the maximum deviation is minimized.

Reliability – Reliability is the probability that a device will adequately perform (as specified) for a period of time under specified operating conditions. Some sensors are required for safety or product quality, and therefore, they should be very reliable. Reliability is affected by maintenance and consistency with process environment

Range/Span - Most sensors have a limited range over which a process variable can be measured, defined by the lower and upper range values. Usually, the larger the range, the poorer the accuracy, and reproducibility. Therefore, engineers select the smallest range that satisfies the process requirements.

Rangeability is the ratio of full span to smallest flow that can be measured with sufficient accuracy.

If a chemical reactor typically operates at 300 °C, the engineer might select a range of 250-350 °C.

Since the reactor will be started up from ambient temperature occasionally, an additional sensor should be provided with a range of -50 to 400 °C.

Dynamics - The use of the sensor dictates the allowable delay in the sensor response. When the measured value is used for control, sensor delays should be minimized, while sensors used for monitoring longer-term trends can have some delay.

Safety - The sensor and transmitter often require electrical power. Since the sensor is located at the process equipment, the environment could contain flammable gases, which could explode when a spark occurs.

Maintenance – Sensors require occasional testing and replacement of selected components that can wear. Engineers must know the maintenance requirements so that they can provide adequate spare parts and personnel time. Naturally, the maintenance costs must be included in the economic analysis of a design.

Cost - Engineers must always consider cost when making design and operations decisions. Sensors involve costs and when selected properly, provide benefits. These must be quantified and a profitability analysis performed.

Remember that the total cost includes costs of transmission (wiring around the plant), installation, documentation, plant operations, and maintenance over the life of the sensor.

8.FLOW ORIFICE SIZING

8.1 Introduction

- Many factors are considered in the sizing of differential pressure elements.
- Precise calculations are performed on a computer due to interaction of flowmeter parameters and the numerical tedium of precise calculations. Refer flow orifice sizing practice using INSTRUCALC software (ISO 5167), next paragraph.

8.2 Methodology

The methodology for sizing orifice plates and other differential producing devices explained

here after is for the understanding of the calculation, to know .what the computer is doing.

when using any sizing software. Chronology here after is based upon ASME/ISO discharge coefficients and uses equations presented in Flow Measurement Engineering Handbook by

R. W. Miller.

- Plant calculations are performed by *calculating a sizing factor and estimating the approximate β ratio of the flowmeter.*
- Precise calculations are performed by iteration.
- Calculations below are presented in terms of mass flow.

Step 1: knowing maximum flow, design flow, select a maximum differential pressure

for the ΔP flowmeter.

In gas applications, the differential pressure should be selected such that the expansion

factor variation is kept to less than 1 percent, i.e. $\Delta P / P$ less than or equal to 0.04

In commonly used of inches WC and psia, the relationship is approximated by:

$$\Delta P \text{ (in.WC)} / P \text{ (psia)} < \text{ or } = 1.0$$

When the design flow is not known, assume that the design flow is 80 percent of the full

scale flow. A differential pressure of 100 inches of water column (25 kPa) is assumed when

this parameter is not otherwise specified.

The design flow and the differential pressure at design flow are used in all subsequent

calculations to evaluate the flowmeter coefficient at design conditions, thereby minimizing

the averaged flow error.

Step 2: Calculate Reynolds number at design flow and operating conditions to ensure that

it is greater than the minimum values below:

Liquid Gas (vapor)

Reynolds Number

Orifice

Venturi nozzle

LO-Loss

RD > or = 10 000

RD > or = 100 000

RD > or = 100 000

RD > or = 10 000

RD > or = 10 000

RD > or = 10 000

Expansion factor Y1 = 1.0

Y2 = 1.0

ΔP (in.WC) / P1 (psia) < or = 0.50

ΔP (in.WC) / P2 (psia) < or = 1.0

Step 3: Calculate the sizing factor at design flow and operating conditions

Note: this sizing factor depends upon the Standard used, but the calculation methodology

will be similar (ref. Introduction above). For practice purpose we shall use the following from

American Standard, **computer practice will be on ISO 5167**

$$SM = Q(\text{lb/hr}) / [358.9268 F_a \cdot D^2 \cdot F_p^{1/2} \cdot \rho(\text{upstream})^{1/2} \cdot \Delta p (\text{in. WC})^{1/2}]$$

where ρ is in pounds per cubic feet and D is in inches.

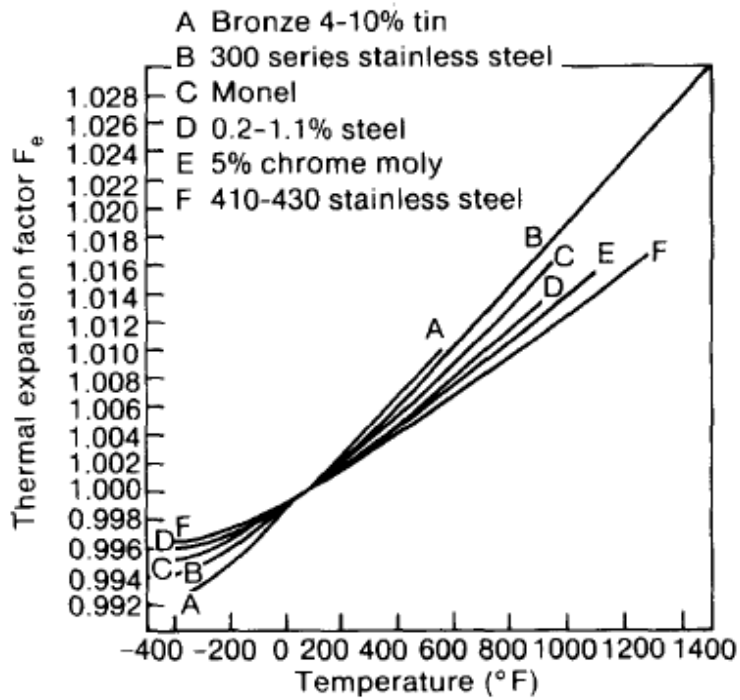
F_a is the thermal expansion factor, which is defined as follows: when the coefficients of

linear expansion often called the thermal expansion coefficients, of the primary element and

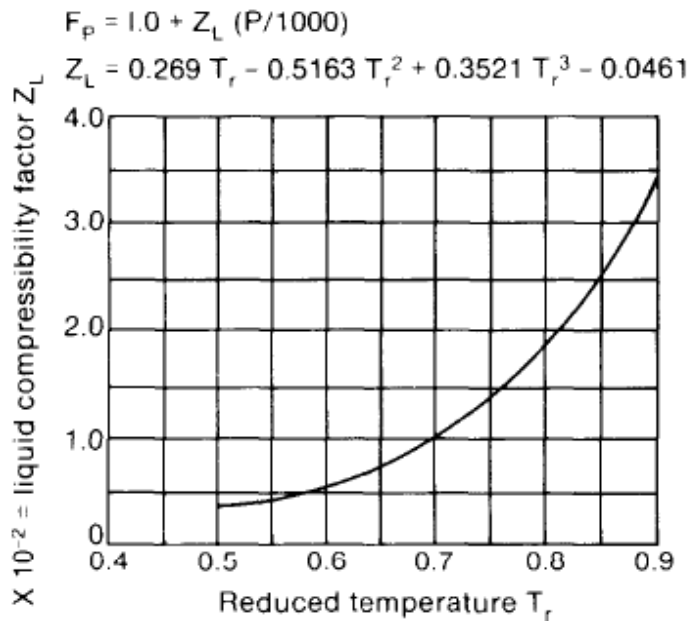
pipe are approximately the same.

$$F_a = 1 + 2 \alpha (T^\circ\text{F} - 68)$$

Graph below shows the relationship between the expansion factor and temperature for most commonly used orifice plate materials.



F_p is the compressibility factor correction, which is 1.0 for gases and most liquid



Step 4: Calculate the approximate β ratio for the appropriate primary device
using SM

calculated above and the following approximate sizing equations.

The extracts given here below are examples of β 0 approximate Sizing Equations for some

flow orifices.

Orifice Type Equation

Corner, flange, D-D/2 taps

RD < 200 000

RD > 200 000

2.5 D - 8D taps

Eccentric, all taps

Segmental, all taps

Quadrant ($\beta < \text{or} = 0.6$)

Conic, corner ($\beta < \text{or} = 0.3$)

$$\beta_0 = [1 + (0.6/SM + 0.06)^2]^{-1/4}$$

$$\beta_0 = [1 + (0.6/SM)^2]^{-1/4}$$

$$\beta_0 = [1 + (0.61/SM + 0.55)^2]^{-1/4}$$

$$\beta_0 = [1 + (0.607/SM + 0.088)^2]^{-1/4}$$

$$\beta_0 = [1 + (0.634/SM - 0.062)^2]^{-1/4}$$

$$\beta_0 = [1 + (0.76/SM + 0.26)^2]^{-1/4}$$

$$\beta_0 = [1 + (0.734/SM)^2]^{-1/4}$$

β is typically limited between 0.12 and 0.75 ($0.2 < \beta < 0.75$).

Remark: When β is outside these limits, or is desired to be different from the calculated

β , one has to start again from step 1 with a higher or lower ΔP value to decrease

β , or a

lower ΔP value to increase β .

For an iterative solution, one must continue with the next step.

However when approximate bore giving an accuracy of approximately 2% is desired, one

can proceed to step 9.

Step 5: calculate the discharge coefficient C , which has the form:

$$C = C_{\infty} + (b / RD$$

n)

Using β and following Table,

Equations & Values for C_{∞} , b and n		R_E number term	
Orifice	Discharge coefficient C_{∞} at infinite R_D number	Coefficient b	Exponent n
Corner taps	$0.5959 + 0.0312\beta^{2.1} - 0.184\beta^8$	$91.71\beta^{2.5}$	0.75
Flange taps (D in inches)			
$D \geq 2.3$	$0.5959 + 0.0312\beta^{2.1} - 0.184\beta^8 + 0.09 \frac{\beta^4}{D(1-\beta^4)} - 0.0337 \frac{\beta^3}{D}$	$91.71\beta^{2.5}$	0.75
$2 \leq D \leq 2.3^d$	$0.5959 + 0.0312\beta^{2.1} - 0.184\beta^8 + 0.039 \frac{\beta^4}{1-\beta^4} - 0.0337 \frac{\beta^3}{D}$	$91.71\beta^{2.5}$	0.75
Flange taps (D^* in millimeters)			
$D^* \geq 58.4$	$0.5959 + 0.0312\beta^{2.1} - 0.184\beta^8 + 2.286 \frac{\beta^4}{D^*(1-\beta^4)} - 0.856 \frac{\beta^3}{D^*}$	$91.71\beta^{2.5}$	0.75
$50.8 \leq D^* \leq 58.4^d$	$0.5959 + 0.0312\beta^{2.1} - 0.184\beta^8 + 0.039 \frac{\beta^4}{1-\beta^4} - 0.856 \frac{\beta^3}{D^*}$	$91.71\beta^{2.5}$	0.75
D and $D/2$ taps	$0.5959 + 0.0312\beta^{2.1} - 0.184\beta^8 + 0.039 \frac{\beta^4}{1-\beta^4} - 0.0158\beta^3$	$91.71\beta^{2.5}$	0.75

Step 6

For liquids, set Y_1 equal to 1.0.

For gases and vapors, calculate the gas expansion factor upstream of the flowmeter, Y_1 , using equations in next Table. Subscripts 1 and 2 represent conditions upstream and downstream of the flowmeter, respectively, and k is the isentropic exponent for an ideal gas: $k = C_p / C_v$ where C_p and C_v are the specific heats at constant pressure and volume, respectively.

Summary of gas (vapor) Expansion factor equations for concentric orifice

Primary device	Equation	
Corner, flange, D and $D/2$ taps		
Upstream measurements	$Y_1 = 1 - (0.41 + 0.35\beta^4) \frac{x_1}{k}$	
Downstream measurements	$Y_2 = \sqrt{1+x_2} - (0.41 + 0.35\beta^4) \frac{x_2}{k \sqrt{1+x_2}}$	$x_1 = \frac{\Delta p_{in, WC}}{27.73 P_1 \text{ psia}}$
$2\frac{1}{2}D$ and $8D$		
Upstream measurements	$Y_1 = 1 - [0.333 + 1.145(\beta^2 + 0.7\beta^5 + 12\beta^{13})] \frac{x_1}{k}$	
Downstream measurements	$Y_2 = \sqrt{1+x_2} - [0.333 + 1.145(\beta^2 + 0.7\beta^5 + 12\beta^{13})] \frac{x_2}{k \sqrt{1+x_2}}$	$x_2 = \frac{\Delta p_{in, WC}}{27.73 P_1 \text{ psia}}$

Step 7

Calculate the next estimate for β as $\beta = [1 + (C \times Y1 / SM)^2]^{.1/4}$

Step 8

Repeat steps 5,6, and 7 until two consecutive iterations of β differ by less than 0.0001

Step 9

Calculate the bore of the flowmeter using $d = \beta \times D$

Several additional factors exist that can be introduced into the denominator of the

expression for SM to compensate for special measuring situations, such as to correct for

steam quality (gas-liquid flows), drain or vent holes, water vapor in a gas.

9. Sample of data sheet and related calculation and specification

DATA SHEET FOR FE 5900 (OILY WATER)


ORIFICE PLATES		ORIFICE FLANGE	
1. Concentric	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Others	_____
2. ISA Standard	<input type="checkbox"/>	Others	ISO 5167
3. Bore : Maximum Rate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nearest 0.1 mm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Material :	304 SS <input type="checkbox"/>	316 SS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Others _____
5. Ring Material & Type :	N/A (NOTE-8) 3		
6. MFR & Model No.	TROUVAY & CAUVIN		
7. Tap :	Flange <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vena Contracta	<input type="checkbox"/> Pipe <input type="checkbox"/>
8. Tap Size:	1/2" NPTF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	TWO TAPPINGS PER FLANGE 3
9. Type Weld Neck	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Slip On	<input type="checkbox"/> Threaded <input type="checkbox"/>
10. Material :	Steel <input type="checkbox"/>	CARBON STEEL A-105	
11. Flange included:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	By Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Option :	Jack Screws <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other :	_____
13. MFR. & Models No.	TROUVAY & CAUVIN		



GENERAL	14. Tag Number	FE-5900						
	15. Service	To Water Degasing Boot						
	16. P & I D No.	PPA-12-E3-090-C, Rev. 5						
	17. Line Number	12-OW-B03-59040						
	18. Line Size / Schedule	12" SCH 30						
19. Engineering Units	Flowrate :	M3/Hr.	Pressure :	Barg.	Temperature :	°C.	Viscosity :	cP
PROCESS DATA	20. Fluid	OILY WATER						
	21. Fluid State	Liquid						
	22. Maximum Flow	375						
	23. Normal Flow	90						
	24. Pressure	4						
	25. Temperature	25 - 75						
	26. Specific Gravity at Base	1						
	27. Specific Gravity @ operating	0.97						
	28. Supercomp. Factor							
	29. Mol Weight	Cp/Cv						
	30. Operating Viscosity	0.6						
	31. Quality % or Superheat							
	32. Base Pres.	Base Temp						
	33. Design Press. / Temp.	18	-29 / 95					
	34. Identification Of Fluid	1 1 1 1						
35. Meter maximum	375							
METER	36. Type of Meter (Note 2)	D/P CELL						
	37. Diff. Range - Dry (mBar)	0 - 250						
	38. Seal Sp. Gr. at 15.6 °C							
	39. Static Press. Range							
	40. Chart or Scale Range							
	41. Chart Multiplier							
	42							
PLATE & FLANGE	43. Beta = d / D	0.561602						
	44. Orifice Bore Diameter mm	172.461						
	45. Line I.D. mm	307.086						
	46. Flange Rating	300 # ANSI RF 3						
	47. Vent Hole mm	6.35						
	48. Min Plate Thickness mm	4.775						
	49. Selected Orifice Bore Dia. (mm).	172.5						
	50. Maximum Calculated Flow	374.245						
Identification Of Fluid	1st Number	Gas	WET		0			
		Liquid	H2O > 500ppm		DRY			
	2nd Number	CORROSIVE			NON CORROSIVE			
	3rd Number	IBP > 40 °C			IBP < 40 °C			
4th Number	FOULING / SOLID SETTING			NO FOULING / NO PARTICLES				

Notes :

- Each orifice plate shall be engraved on its upstream side the following information
-The word : UPSTREAM -Tag number -D and d dimension in mm -Flange Rating -Material -The word : SQUARE
- Refer to Flow Transmitter data sheet
- Vendor to confirm and provide orifice bore calculation.
- Vendor to refer to and comply with TOTAL Spec. GPK-70-0-06-B, Instrument Design and Installation, Rev. 1 Status C.
- For flange material vendor shall follow Piping Class Specification GPK-22-2-03-P, Rev.3.
- Painting shall be to Spec. SP-COR-181 Painting of Offshore and Onshore Structures and Equipment.
- Flange finish : For 300 # RF - Stock , For 600 # RF - Smooth , For 900# & 1500# - RTJ
- Orifice plate is of paddle type 3


DATA SHEET FOR FE 4503 (FUEL GAS)

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	5	EDDY	01/06/98	0	CONTRACT		DATE	
	6	EDDY	17/07/98	1	EPSC3		17-02-99	
	7	FMAP	30/11/98	2	REQ.		P.O.	
	8	FMAP	17/02/99	3				
	CLIENT : TOTAL INDONESIA					PREP'D	CHK'D	APPR'D
PROJECT : PCK/EPSC3					FMAP	BABU	JO	

<p style="text-align: center;">ORIFICE PLATES</p> <p>1. Concentric <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p>2. ISA Standard <input type="checkbox"/> Others <u>ISO 5167</u></p> <p>3. Bore : Maximum Rate <input type="checkbox"/> Nearest 0.1 mm <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>4. Material : 304 SS <input type="checkbox"/> 316 SS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p>5. Ring Material & Type : <u>NIA (NOTE-8)</u> </p> <p>6. MFR & Model No. <u>TROUVAY & CAUVIN</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ORIFICE FLANGE</p> <p>7. Tap : Flange <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vena Contracta <input type="checkbox"/> Pipe <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>8. Tap Size: 1/2" NPTF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>TAG TAPPINGS PER FLANGE</u> </p> <p>9. Type Weld Neck <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Slip On <input type="checkbox"/> Threaded <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>10. Material : Steel <input type="checkbox"/> <u>CARBON STEEL A-105</u></p> <p>11. Flange included: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> By Other <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>12. Option : Jack Screws <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other : _____</p> <p>13. MFR. & Models No. <u>TROUVAY & CAUVIN</u></p>
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GENERAL	14 Tag Number	FE-4503	FE-4504	FE-4505	FE-4507	
	15 Service	FG Purge from MP FG Distr.	FG Purge from MP FG Distr.	FG Purge from MP FG Distr.	FG Purge from MP FG Distr.	
PROCESS DATA	16 P & ID No.	PPA-12-E3-070-C, Rev. 5	PPA-12-E3-070-C, Rev. 5	PPA-12-E3-070-C, Rev. 5	PPA-12-E3-070-C, Rev. 5	
	17 Line Number	2"-FG-B03-56206	2"-FG-B03-40068	2"-FG-B03-56290	2"-FG-B03-55291	
METER	18 Line Size / Schedule	2" SCH 80	2" SCH 80	2" SCH 80	2" SCH 80	
	19 Engineering Units	Flowrate : MMSCFD, Pressure : Barg, Temperature : °C, Viscosity : cP				
	20 Fluid	FUEL GAS	FUEL GAS	FUEL GAS	FUEL GAS	
	21 Fluid State	Gas	Gas	Gas	Gas	
	22 Maximum Flow	0.354	0.354	0.354	0.354	
	23 Normal Flow	0.354	0.354	0.354	0.354	
	24 Pressure	4	4	4	4	
	25 Temperature	36	36	36	36	
	26 Specific Gravity at Base					
	27 Upstream density (kg/m ³)	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	
PLATE & FLANGE	28 Supercomp. Factor					
	29 Mol Weight	Cp/Cv	22.6	1.2	22.6	1.2
	30 Operating Viscosity	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	
	31 Quality % or Superheat					
	32 Base Pres. / Base Temp					
	33 Design Press. / Temp.	40	40	40	40	
	34 Identification Of Fluid	1 1 0 0	1 1 0 0	1 1 0 0	1 1 0 0	
	35 Meter Maximum	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	
	36 Type of Meter (Note 2)	D/P CELL	D/P CELL	D/P CELL	D/P CELL	
	37 Diff. Range - Dry (mBar)	0 - 125	0 - 125	0 - 125	0 - 125	
IDENTIFICATION OF FLUID	38 Seal Sp. Gr. at 15.6 °C					
	39 Static Press. Range					
	40 Chart or Scale Range					
	41 Chart Multiplier					
	42					
	43 Beta = d / D	0.609849	0.609849	0.609849	0.609849	
	44 Orifice Bore Diameter mm	30.0351	30.0351	30.0351	30.0351	
	45 Line I.D. mm	49.25	49.25	49.25	49.25	
	46 Flange Rating	300 # ANSI RF	300 # ANSI RF	300 # ANSI RF	300 # ANSI RF	
	47 Drain Hole mm	2.381	2.381	2.381	2.381	
48 Min Plate Thickness mm	3.175	3.175	3.175	3.175		
49 Selected Orifice Bore Dia. (mm)	30	30	30	30		
50 Maximum Calculated Flow	0.497796	0.497796	0.497796	0.497796		
IDENTIFICATION OF FLUID	1st Number	Gas	WET	DRY		
		Liquid	H2O > 500ppm	H2O < 500ppm		
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- Orifice plate is of paddle type 

DATA SHEET FOR FE 4500 (HC GAS)

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CLIENT : TOTAL INDONESIA				PREP'D	CHK'D	APPRO			
PROJECT : PCK/EPSC3				FMAP	BABU	JO			

ORIFICE PLATES	ORIFICE FLANGE
1. Concentric <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others _____	7. Tap : Flange <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vena Contracta <input type="checkbox"/> Pipe <input type="checkbox"/>
2. ISA Standard <input type="checkbox"/> Others <u>ISO 5167</u>	8. Tap Size: 1/2" NPTF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>TWO TAPPINGS PER FLANGE</u> ³
3. Bore : Maximum Rate <input type="checkbox"/> Nearest 0.1 mm <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	9. Type Weld Neck <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Slip On <input type="checkbox"/> Threaded <input type="checkbox"/>
4. Material : 304 SS <input type="checkbox"/> 316 SS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others _____	10. Material : Steel <input type="checkbox"/> <u>A 182 F321</u> ³
5. Ring Material & Type : <u>N/A (NOTE-8)</u> ³	11. Flange included: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> By Other <input type="checkbox"/>
6. MFR & Model No. <u>TROUVAY & CAUVIN</u>	12. Option : Jack Screws <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other : _____
	13. MFR. & Models No. <u>TROUVAY & CAUVIN</u>

GENERAL	14	Tag Number	FE-4500	FE-4510
		15 <td>Service</td> <td>1-V 4500 Outlet to flare</td> <td>1-V 4510 Outlet to flare</td>	Service	1-V 4500 Outlet to flare
	16 <td>P & I D No.</td> <td>PPA-12-E3-030-C, Rev. 5 ³</td> <td>PPA-12-E3-031-C, Rev. 5 ³</td>	P & I D No.	PPA-12-E3-030-C, Rev. 5 ³	PPA-12-E3-031-C, Rev. 5 ³
	17 <td>Line Number</td> <td>10'-G-D48-45033</td> <td>10'-G-D48-45130</td>	Line Number	10'-G-D48-45033	10'-G-D48-45130
	18 <td>Line Size / Schedule</td> <td>10' SCH 40S</td> <td>10' SCH 40S</td>	Line Size / Schedule	10' SCH 40S	10' SCH 40S
	19 <td>Engineering Units</td> <td>Flowrate : MMSCFD, Pressure : Barg, Temperature : °C, Viscosity : cP</td> <td></td>	Engineering Units	Flowrate : MMSCFD, Pressure : Barg, Temperature : °C, Viscosity : cP	
PROCESS DATA	20	Fluid	HC GAS	HC GAS
	21	Fluid State	Gas	Gas
	22	Maximum Flow	75.9	21.55
	23	Normal Flow	17.5	19.5
	24	Pressure	32 - 36	7
	25	Temperature	23 - 58	15 / 48 / 52
	26	Specific Gravity at Base		
	27	Upstream Density (kg/m ³)	29.4	8.8
	28	Supercomp. Factor		
	29	Mol Weight Cpl/Cv	24.8 1.2	24.4 1.2
30	Operating Viscosity	0.01	0.01	
31	Quality % or Superheat			
32	Base Pres. Base Temp			
33	Design Press. / Temp.	40 -29 / 75	18 -29 / 75	
34	Identification Of Fluid	1 1 0 0	1 1 0 0	
35	Meter maximum	80	25 ³	
METER	36	Type of Meter (Note 2)	D/P CELL	D/P CELL
	37	Diff. Range - Dry (mBar)	0 - 500	0 - 250
	38	Seal Sp. Gr. at 15.6 °C		
	39	Static Press. Range		
40	Chart or Scale Range			
41	Chart Multiplier			
PLATE & FLANGE	43	Beta = d / D	0.680269	0.620405
	44	Orifice Bore Diameter mm	173.128	157.893
	45	Line I.D. mm	254.5	254.5
	46	Flange Rating	300 # ANSI RF	300 # ANSI RF ³
	47	Drain Hole mm	6.35	5.556
	48	Min Plate Thickness mm	4.775	4.775
49	Selected Orifice Bore Dia. (mm).	173.1	157.9	
50	Maximum Calculated Flow	79.6582	24.99	
Identification Of Fluid	1st Number	Gas	WET	DRY
		Liquid	H2O > 500ppm	H2O < 500ppm
	2nd Number		CORROSIVE	NON CORROSIVE
	3rd Number		IBP > 40 °C	IBP < 40 °C
4th Number		FOULING / SOLID SETTING	NO FOULING / NO PARTICLES	

Notes :

- Each orifice plate shall be engraved on its upstream side the following information
 -The word : UPSTREAM -Tag number -D and d dimension in mm -Flange Rating -Material -The word : SQUARE
- Refer to Flow Transmitter data sheet
- Vendor to confirm and provide orifice bore calculation.
- Vendor to refer to and comply with TOTAL Spec. GPK-70-0-06-B, Instrument Design and Installation, Rev. 1 Status C.
- For flange material vendor shall follow Piping Class Specification GPK-22-2-03-P, Rev.3.
- Painting shall be to Spec. SP-COR-181 Painting of Offshore and Onshore Structures and Equipment.
- Flange finish : For 300 # RF - Stock , For 600 # RF - Smooth , For 900# & 1500# - RTJ
- Orifice plate is of paddle type ³

ISO Orifice Plate - Concentric - Flange Taps - Liquid

Tag number FE-5900

Input data

Fluid	OILY WATER
Maximum liquid flow	375 m ³ /h
Normal liquid flow	90 m ³ /h
Flow temperature	50 degC
Inlet pressure	4 barg
Differential range	250 mbar
SG @ flow conditions	.97
SG @ base conditions	1
Viscosity @ FTP	.6 cp
Pipe inside diameter	307.086 mm
Orifice diameter	172.461 mm
Base pressure	14.696 psia
Base temperature	59 degF
Barometric pressure	14.7 psia
Element material	316 stainless steel
Pipe material	Carbon steel
Vent hole diameter	6.35 mm

Output data

Beta ratio	.561602
Normal flow differential	14.4 mbar
Accuracy percent	.6013 percent
Reynolds number	172602
Max pressure loss	168.2 mbar
Max power loss	1812 watts
Thermal expansion factor	1.00107
Discharge coefficient	.606256
Vent hole factor	1.00129

ISO Orifice Plate - Concentric - Flange

Tag number FE-4512/4/5

Input data

Fluid	HC LIQUID
Maximum liquid flow	25000 bbl/d
Normal liquid flow	16604 bbl/d
Flow temperature	34 degC
Inlet pressure	17.5 barg
Differential range	250 mbar
SG @ flow conditions	.722
SG @ base conditions	.73
Viscosity @ FTP	.35 cp
Pipe inside diameter	154.051 mm
Orifice diameter	102.552 mm
Base pressure	14.696 psia
Base temperature	59 degF
Barometric pressure	14.7 psia
Element material	316 stainless steel
Pipe material	Carbon steel
Vent hole diameter	3.175 mm

Output data

Beta ratio	.6657
Normal flow differential	110.3 mbar
Accuracy percent	.6147 percent
Reynolds number	526165
Max pressure loss	140.6 mbar
Max power loss	656.2 watts
Thermal expansion factor	1.00052
Discharge coefficient	.605763
Vent hole factor	1.00086

ISO Orifice Plate - Concentric - Flange I

Tag number FE-4503/4/5/7

Input data

Fluid	FUEL GAS
Maximum gas flow	.5 Msft ³ /d
Normal gas flow	.354 Msft ³ /d
Inlet pressure	4 barg
Differential range	125 mbar
Flow temperature	36 degC
Molecular weight	22.6
Cp/Cv specific heat ratio	1.2
Viscosity @ FTP	.01 cp
Pipe inside diameter	49.25 mm
Density @ FTP	4.6 kg/m ³
Orifice diameter	30.0351 mm
Base pressure	14.696 psia
Base temperature	15 degC
Barometric pressure	14.7 psia
Drain hole diameter	2.381 mm
Element material	316 stainless steel
Pipe material	Carbon steel

Output data

Beta ratio	.609849
Normal flow differential	62.66 mbar
Accuracy percent	.5452 percent
Reynolds number	286663
Max pressure loss	77.99 mbar
Max power loss	.357 hp
Thermal expansion factor	1.00058
Discharge coefficient	.604409
Gas expansion factor	.99523
Base pressure factor	.999997
Base temperature factor	1
Drain hole factor	1.00583

**SPECIFICATION FOR ORIFICE PLATES, RESTRICTION
ORIFICES AND FLANGES**

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A. SCOPE

The purpose of this specification together with the data sheets and other documents included in the Material Requisition (MR) is to define the minimum requirements for design, manufacture, supply, test & delivery of the orifice plates and flanges according to related standards, codes & best engineering practices.

B. CONFLICTING REQUIREMENTS

In the event of any conflict between this specification, related standards, codes, purchase requisition, etc.

The order of precedence shall be as follows:

- Data sheets included in the Material Requisition
- This specification
- Codes and standards
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C. CODES AND STANDARDS

IPS-E-IN-130	Engineering standard for Flow instruments .
IPS-M-IN-130	Material and equipment standard for Flow instruments.
IPS-C-IN-130	Construction standard for Flow instruments.
API RP 551	Process measurement instrumentation
API RP 554	Process instrumentation
NACE MR 01 75	Standard Material Requirement : Sulfide stress cracking resistant metallic materials oilfield equipment.

ASME B1.20.1 Pipe thread, general purpose (Inch) revision and redesignation of ASME/ANSI B2.11968 R (2001)

ASME B16.5 Pipe flange and flanged fittings

BS 1042 Measurement of fluid flow by means of pressure differential devices

ISO 5167/5168 Measurement of fluid flow by means of pressure differential / Measurement of fluid flow

D.

E. **DEFINITIONS AND TERMINOLOGIES**

Owner:

Manufacturer: Shall mean the party who manufactures the item of work.

Purchaser / Contractor: Shall mean the parties which have contractual responsibility for the design, engineering, procurement and construction of the plant.

Vendor / supplier : Shall mean company mentioned in the contract as supplying any equipment in the project.

Shall : Refer to a requirement

Should: Refer to a recommendation

Will : Refer to an action by the purchaser other than by the vendor / supplier

May: Refer to one acceptable course of action.

Must: Refer to a statutory requirement.

F. UNITS OF MEASUREMENT

International system of units (SI) shall be used for the whole project, engineering calculation results, instrument ranges and control settings. All dimension and ratings shall be metric, except for pipes and fittings threads, which shall be in inches.

G. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

In general, flow measurement shall be based on sharp, thin, square-edged, concentric orifice plates mounted between a pair of weld neck flanges, unless otherwise specified.

Square edge orifices with corner taps are not recommended for general applications.

In general 316 stainless steel orifice plates shall be provided as minimum. Where the nature of the fluid is such as to require a higher alloy, or other material, it shall be consistent with the line specification. When the temperature exceed 450 oC the thickness shall be adjusted to suit the application.

The drain/vent hole shall be drilled in rough after finish of fluid inlet side surface. On completion of work, it shall be free of burrs and / or scores.

All material supplied under this specification shall be adequate for the proposed services. Proper consideration shall be given to their function with regard to the environmental conditions, corrosion, chemical attack, electrical and process hazard.

Vendor shall comply in totality with data sheets included in the Material Requisition. The vendor is requested to fill in the relevant sections / lines

in the data sheets and submit the completed data sheets with his quotation for review and evaluation.

The ratio of the orifice diameter to the pipeline internal diameter (ID) (d/D , Beta) shall be from 0.25 to 0.7 (both inclusive).

Orifice plate thickness, bore diameter and other parameters shall be machined to tolerance level allowed as per ISO-5167 (Latest Edition).

Wetted parts exposed to the sour service shall be consistent with the NACE MR-01-75 (Latest Edition).

The minimum orifice flange rating shall be 300# ANSI.

45° taps on the orifice flanges are not acceptable.

Each plate shall be provided with a tab projected beyond the flanges with the following required data engraved on it. The tab shall be in line with the drain / vent hole:

Tag number

Type of element

Pipe ID/ Nominal diameter in mm

Flange rating

Bore diameter in mm

Plate material

Beta Ratio

Vendor is responsible for sizing of all plates and shall provide calculation details for purchaser's approval.

Orifice plates shall be designed, manufactured and sized according to the BS-1042/part 1 or ISO-5167 and 5168.

The surface of the orifice plate shall have a finishing equal or equivalent to finishing No. 4 of ASTM A-480.

The complete assembly including orifice plate, orifice flanges, gasket, bolts and nuts shall be supplied by vendor.

All orifice flanges shall be weld neck, raised face, smooth finish 100-150 AARH.

Flow rate to be measured shall be kept between 30% and 90% of the design flow.

Orifice plates shall be calculated at 110% of the design process maximum flow rate.

The primary elements shall be sized for use with differential pressure transmitters having one of the following ranges in mbar:

0-12.5, 0-25, 0-50, 0-125, 0-250, 0-500, 0-1000.

The preferred range is 0-250 mbar; the range 0-1000 mbar should be avoided where possible. In case of compressible fluids, the selected differential pressure shall preferably not exceed 3.6% of the upstream static absolute pressure.

Restriction Orifice Plates

Restriction orifice plates shall be designed / supplied to the same specification as flow orifice plates.

Restriction orifice plates are devices for creating a pressure drop or for limiting a flow rate

The construction of restriction orifice plates shall be in stainless steel.

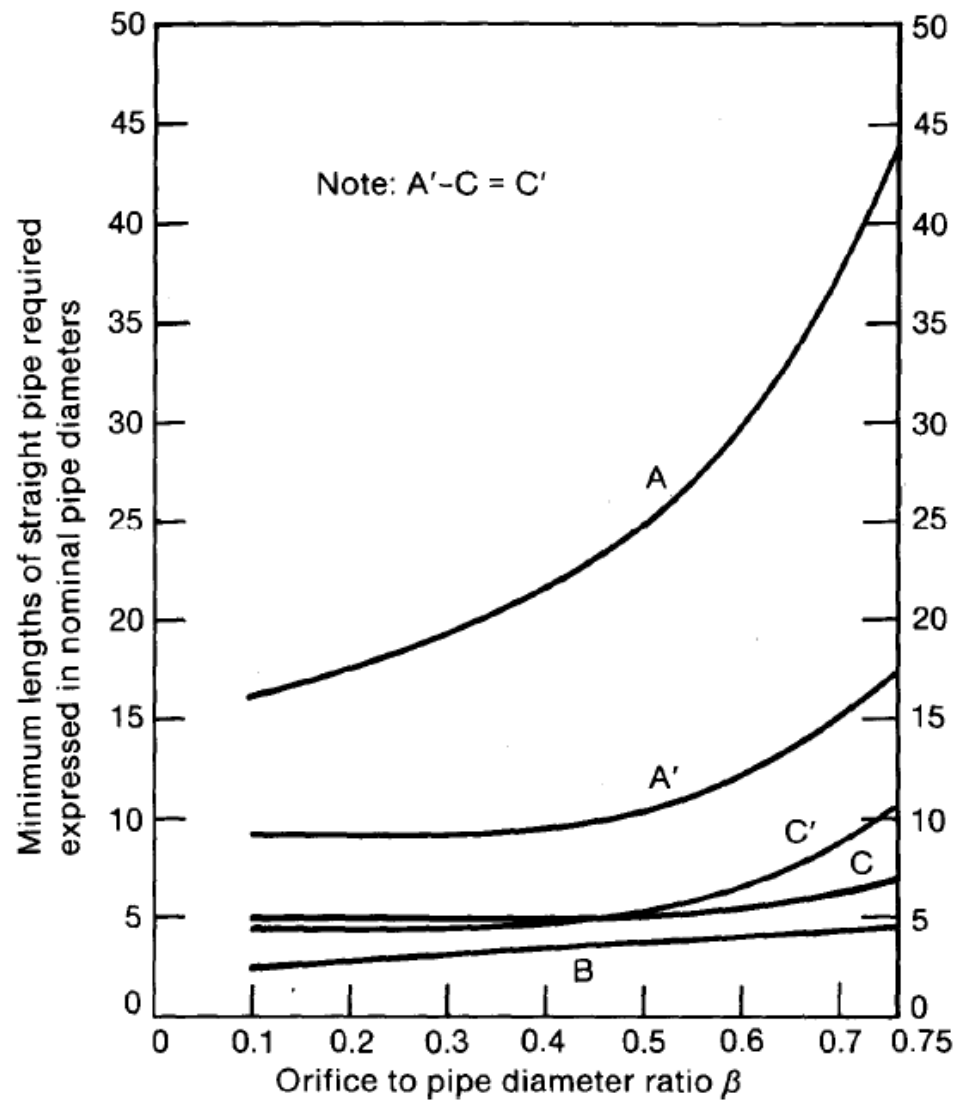
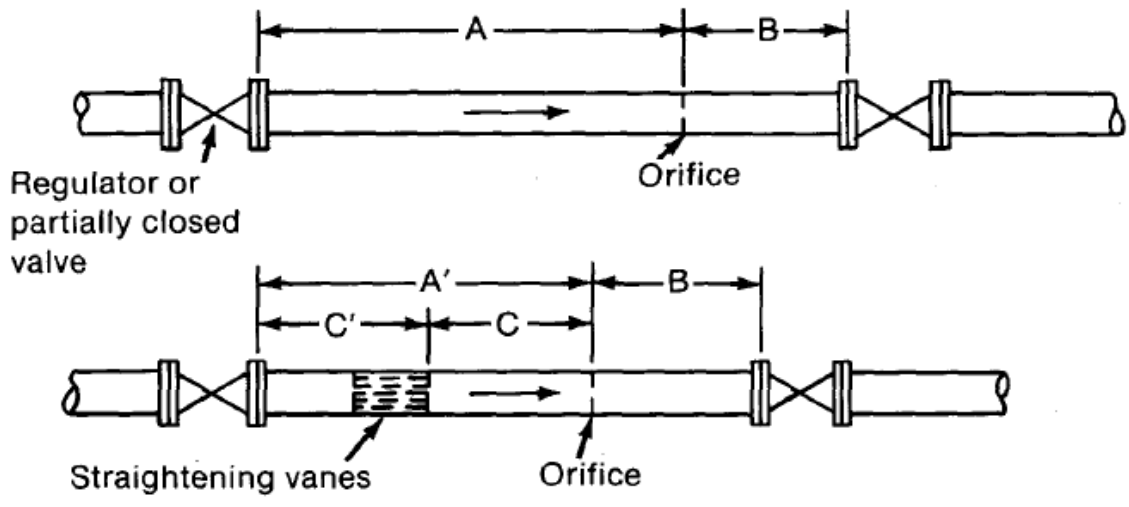
The relevant dimension (thickness, ...) shall be adjusted to suit the application.

10. Requirements from AGA for orifice metering of natural gas

Notes 1:

When "pipe taps" are used, lengths A, A', and C shall be increased by 2 pipe diameters, and B by 8 pipe diameters.

When the diameter of the orifice may require changing to meet different conditions, the lengths of straight pipe should be those required for the maximum β ratio that may be used.

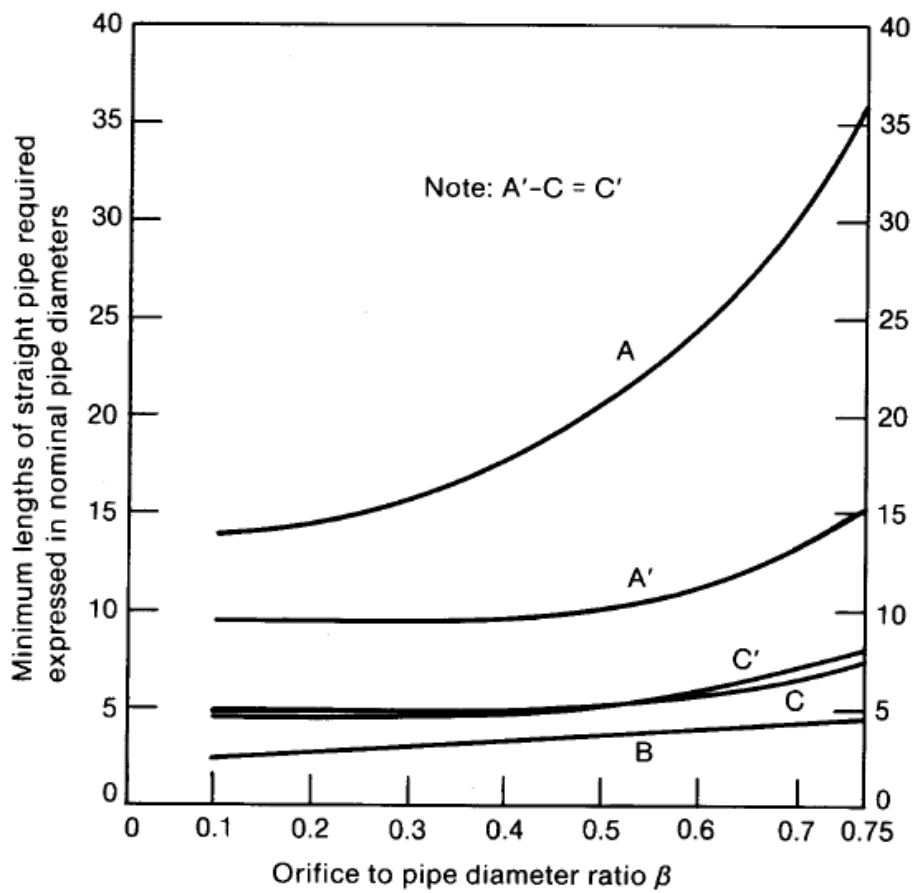
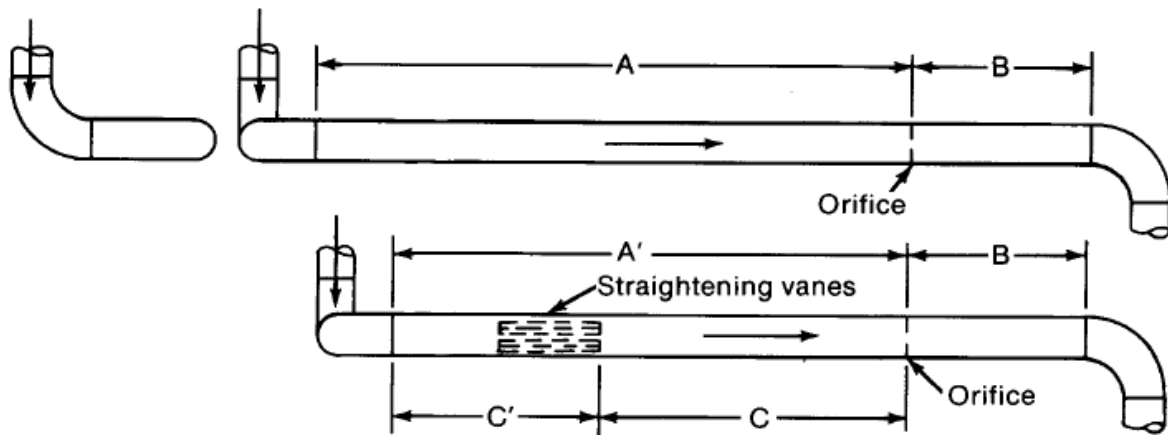


Notes 2:

When "pipe taps" are used, lengths A, A', and C shall be increased by 2 pipe diameters, and B by 8 pipe diameters.

When the diameter of the orifice may require changing to meet different conditions, the lengths of straight pipe should be those required for the maximum β ratio that may be used.

When the 2 L.s shown in the above sketches are closely (less than $[31D1]$) preceded by a third which is not in the same plane as the middle or second ell, the piping requirements shown by A should be doubled.



Notes 3:

When "pipe taps" are used, lengths A, A', and C shall be increased by 2 pipe diameters, and B by 8 pipe diameters.

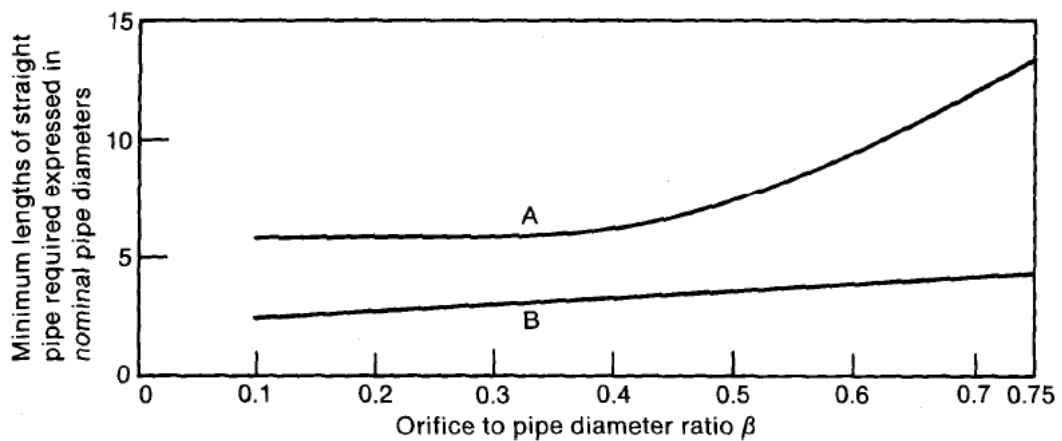
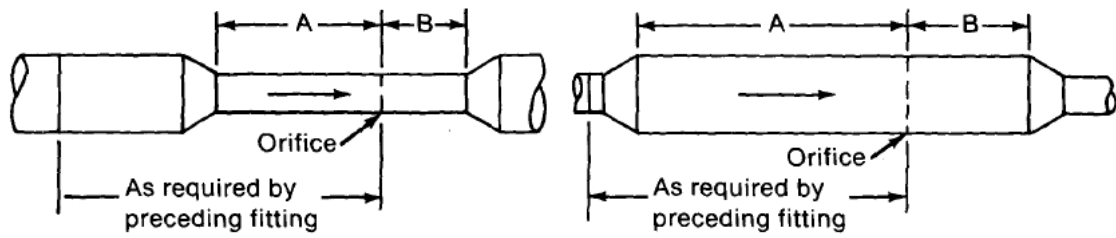
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Notes 5:

When "pipe taps" are used, length A shall be increased by 2 pipe diameters, and B by 8 pipe diameters.

When the diameter of the orifice may require changing to meet different conditions, the lengths of straight pipe should be those required for the maximum β ratio that may be used.

Straightening vanes will not reduce required lengths of straight pipe A. Straightening vanes are not required because of the reducers. They may be required because of other fittings which precede the reducer. Length A is to be increased by an amount equal to the length of the straightening vanes whenever they are used.



11. Standards

ISO 5167

Measurement of fluid flow by means of pressure differential devices

- ISO 5168

Measurement of fluid flow - Estimation of uncertainty of a flow-rate measurement

- AGA Report N° 3 / API 14.3

Orifice metering of natural gas

- AGA Report N° 8

Compressibility factors of natural gas and other related hydrocarbon gases.

- IPS-E-IN-130

Engineering standard for Flow instruments .

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Pressure Relief

“Grace under pressure”
– Ernest Hemingway

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What is the Hazard?

- Despite safety precautions ...
 - Equipment failures
 - Human error, and
 - External events, can sometimes lead to ...
- Increases in process pressures beyond safe levels, potentially resulting in ...
- *OVERPRESSURE due to a RELIEF EVENT*

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What are Relief Events?

- External fire
- Flow from high pressure source
- Heat input from associated equipment
- Pumps and compressors
- Ambient heat transfer
- Liquid expansion in pipes and surge

Potential Lines of Defense

- Inherently Safe Design
 - Low pressure processes
- Passive Control
 - Overdesign of process equipment
- Active Control
 - *Install Relief Systems*

What is a Relief System?

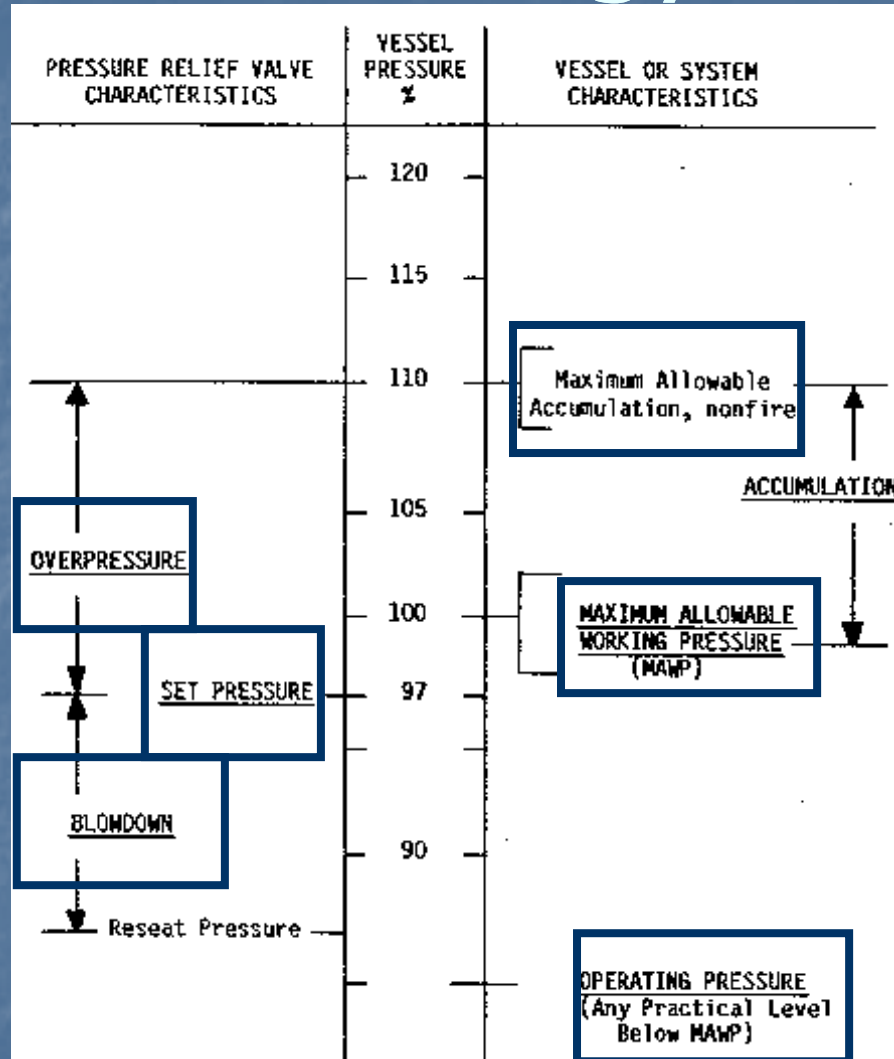
- A relief device, and
- Associated lines and process equipment to safely handle the material ejected

Why Use a Relief System?

- *Inherently Safe Design* simply can't eliminate every pressure hazard
- *Passive designs* can be exceedingly expensive and cumbersome
- *Relief systems* work!

Pressure Terminology

MAWP
 Design pressure
 Operating pressure
 Set pressure
 Overpressure
 Accumulation
 Blowdown



Code Requirements

General Code requirements include:

- ASME Boiler & Pressure Vessel Codes
- ASME B31.3 / Petroleum Refinery Piping
- ASME B16.5 / Flanges & Flanged Fittings

Code Requirements

Relieving pressure shall not exceed MAWP (accumulation) by more than:

- 3% for fired and unfired steam boilers
- 10% for vessels equipped with a single pressure relief device
- 16% for vessels equipped with multiple pressure relief devices
- 21% for fire contingency

Relief Design Methodology

**LOCATE
RELIEFS**

**CHOOSE
TYPE**

**DEVELOP
SCENARIOS**

**SIZE RELIEFS
(1 or 2 Phase)**

**CHOOSE
WORST CASE**

**DESIGN RELIEF
SYSTEM**

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Locating Reliefs – Where?

- All vessels
- Blocked in sections of cool liquid lines that are exposed to heat
- Discharge sides of positive displacement pumps, compressors, and turbines
- Vessel steam jackets
- Where PHA indicates the need

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Choosing Relief Types

- Spring-Operated Valves
- Rupture Devices

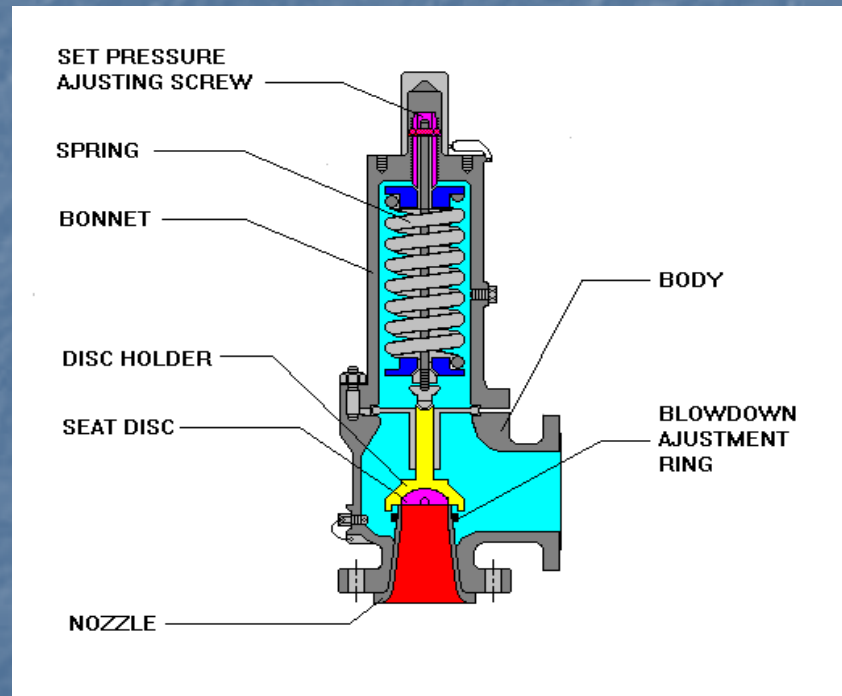
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Spring-Operated Valves

Conventional Type ■



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Conventional
Relief Valve

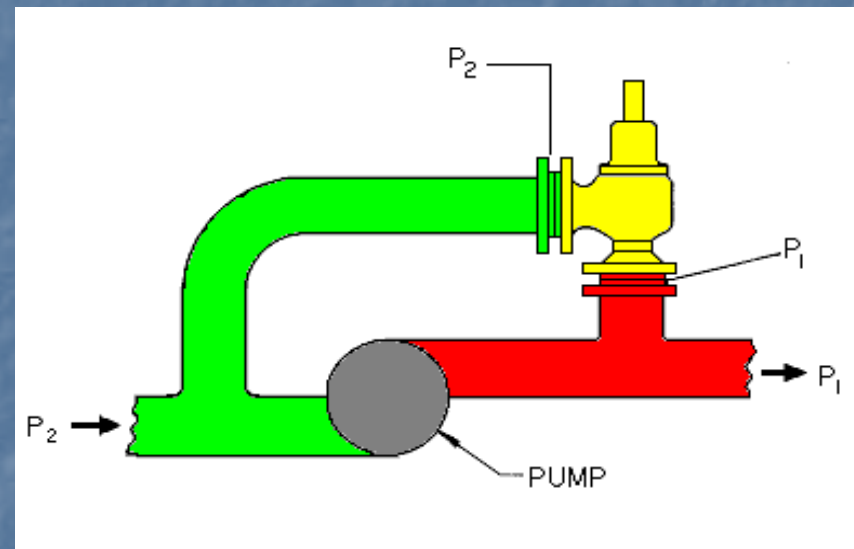
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Superimposed Back Pressure

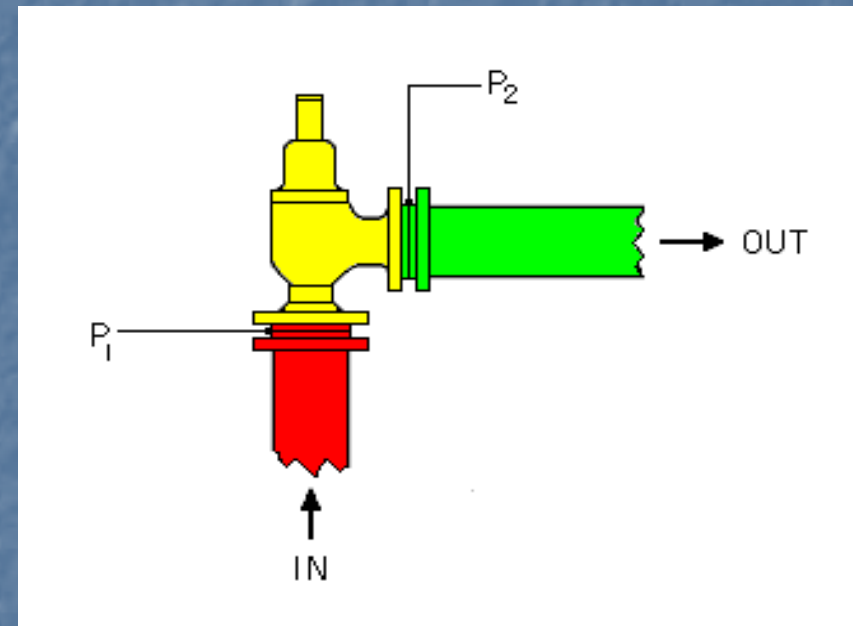
- Pressure in discharge header before valve opens
- Can be constant or variable



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Built-up Back Pressure

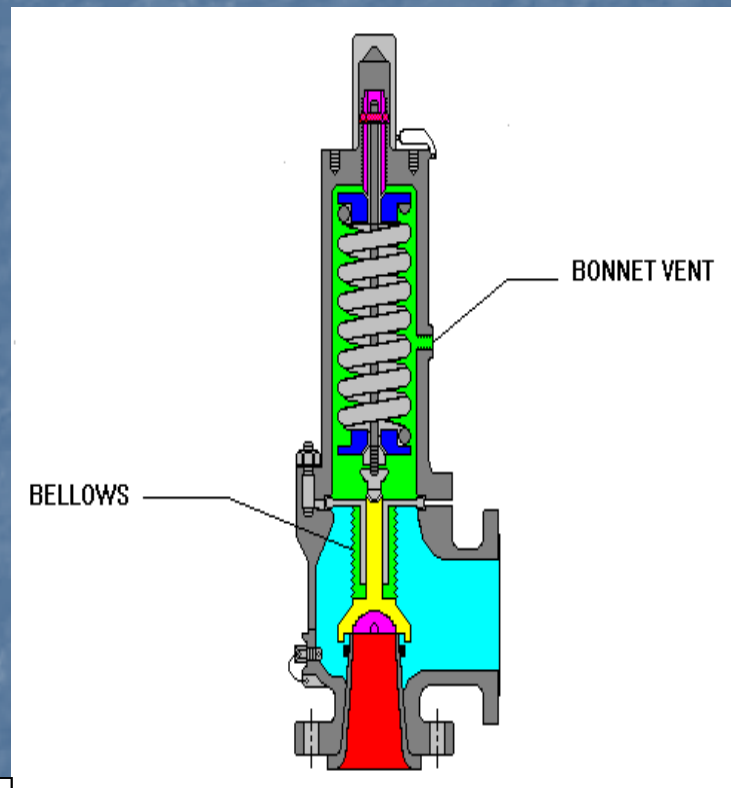
- Pressure in discharge header due to frictional losses after valve opens
- Total = Superimposed + Built-up



**CHOOSE
TYPE**

Spring-Operated Valves

Balanced Bellows Type ■



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Bellows
Relief Valve

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Pros & Cons: Conventional Valve

Advantages ■

- Most reliable type if properly sized and operated +
- Versatile -- can be used in many services +

Disadvantages ■

- Relieving pressure affected by back pressure ■
- Susceptible to chatter if built-up back pressure is too high ■

**CHOOSE
TYPE**

Pros & Cons: Balanced Bellows Valve

■ Advantages

- + Relieving pressure not affected by back pressure
- + Can handle higher built-up back pressure
- + Protects spring from corrosion

■ Disadvantages

- Bellows susceptible to fatigue/rupture
- May release flammables/toxics to atmosphere
- Requires separate venting system

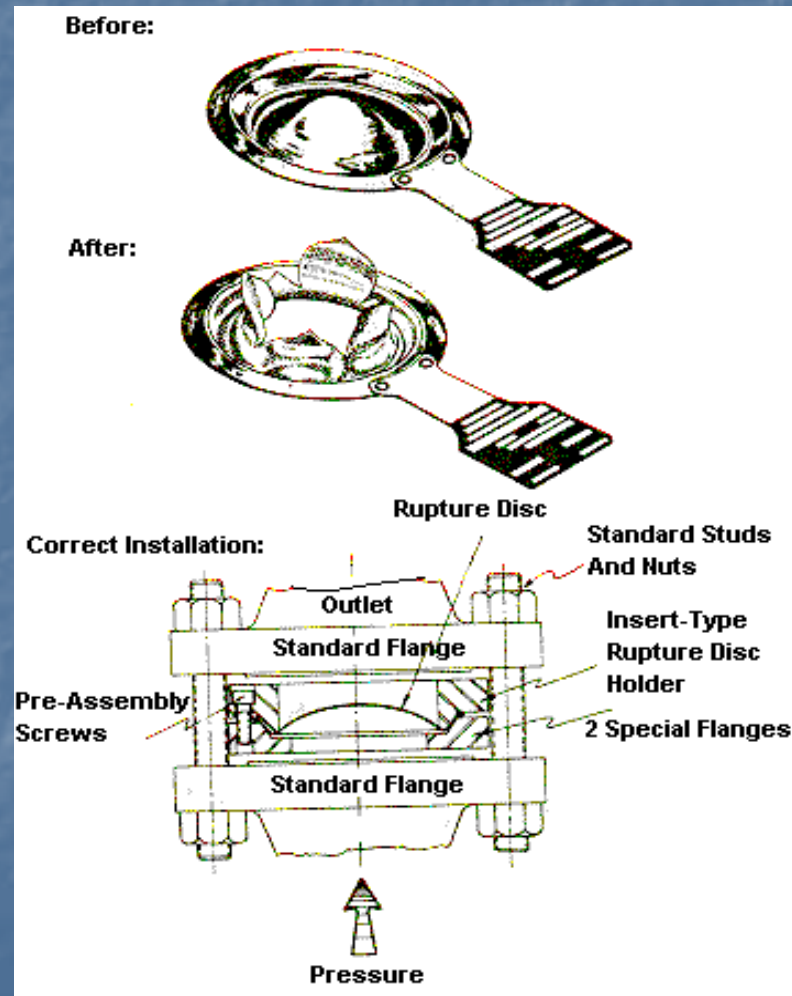
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Rupture Devices

- Rupture Disc
- Rupture Pin

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Conventional Metal Rupture Disc

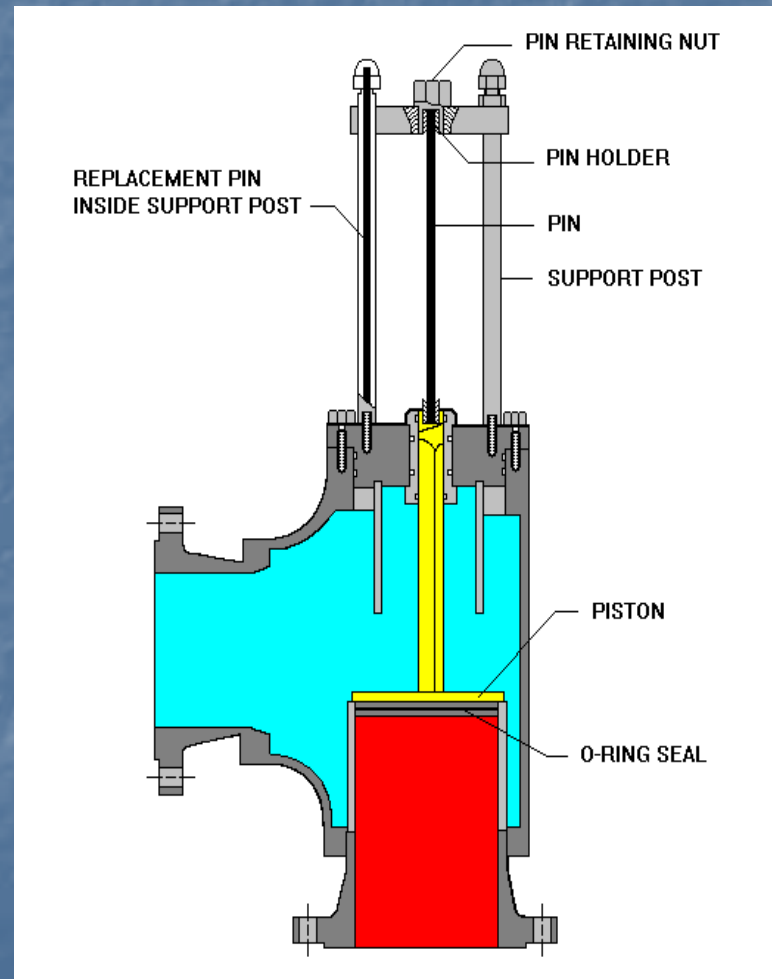


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Conventional Rupture Pin Device



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When to Use a Spring-Operated Valve

- Losing entire contents is unacceptable
 - Fluids above normal boiling point
 - Toxic fluids
- Need to avoid failing low
- Return to normal operations quickly
- Withstand process pressure changes, including vacuum

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TYPE**

When to Use a Rupture Disc/Pin

- Capital and maintenance savings
- Losing the contents is not an issue
- Benign service (nontoxic, non-hazardous)
- Need for fast-acting device
- Potential for relief valve plugging
- High viscosity liquids

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TYPE**

When to Use Both Types

Need a positive seal (toxic material, material balance requirements) ■

Protect safety valve from corrosion ■

System contains solids ■

**CHOOSE
TYPE**

Relief Event Scenarios

- A description of one specific relief event
- Usually each relief has more than one relief event, more than one scenario
- Examples include:
 - Overfilling/overpressuring
 - Fire
 - Runaway reaction
 - Blocked lines with subsequent expansion
- Developed through Process Hazard Analysis (PHA)

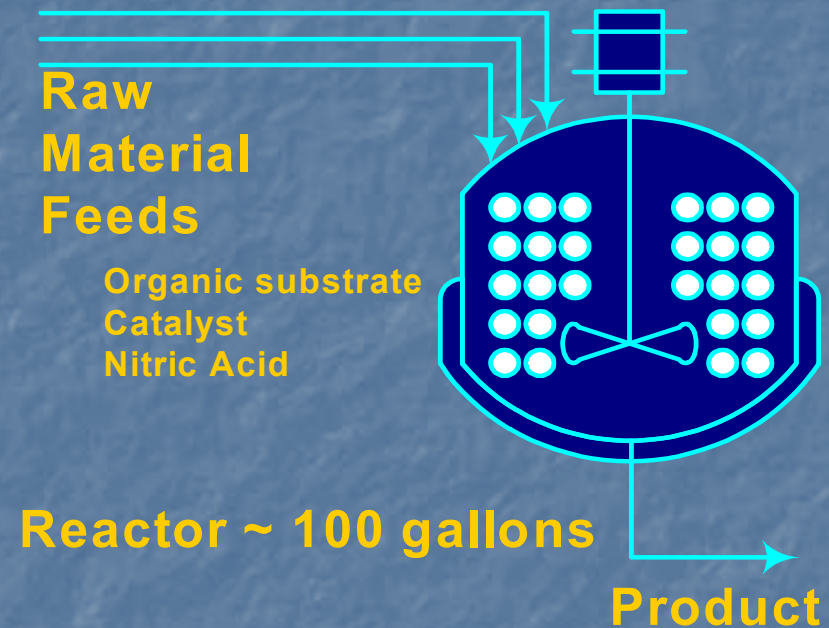
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An Example: Batch Reactor

- Control valve on nitric acid feed line stuck open, vessel overfills
- Steam regulator to jacket fails, vessel overpressures
- Coolant system fails, runaway reaction



**DEVELOP
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Sizing Reliefs

- Determining relief rates
- Determine relief vent area

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Scenarios Drive Relief Rates

- Overfill (e.g., control valve failure)
 - Maximum flow rate thru valve into vessel
- Fire
 - Vaporization rate due to heat-up
- Blocked discharge
 - Design pump flow rate

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Overflow Scenario Calcs

- Determined maximum flow thru valve (i.e., blowthrough)

- Liquids:

$$Q_m = C_v A \sqrt{2 \rho g_c \Delta P}$$

- Gases:

$$(Q_m)_{\text{choked}} = C_v A P_o \sqrt{\frac{\gamma g_c M}{R_g T_o} \left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1} \right)^{(\gamma+1)/(\gamma-1)}}$$

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Fire Scenario Calcs

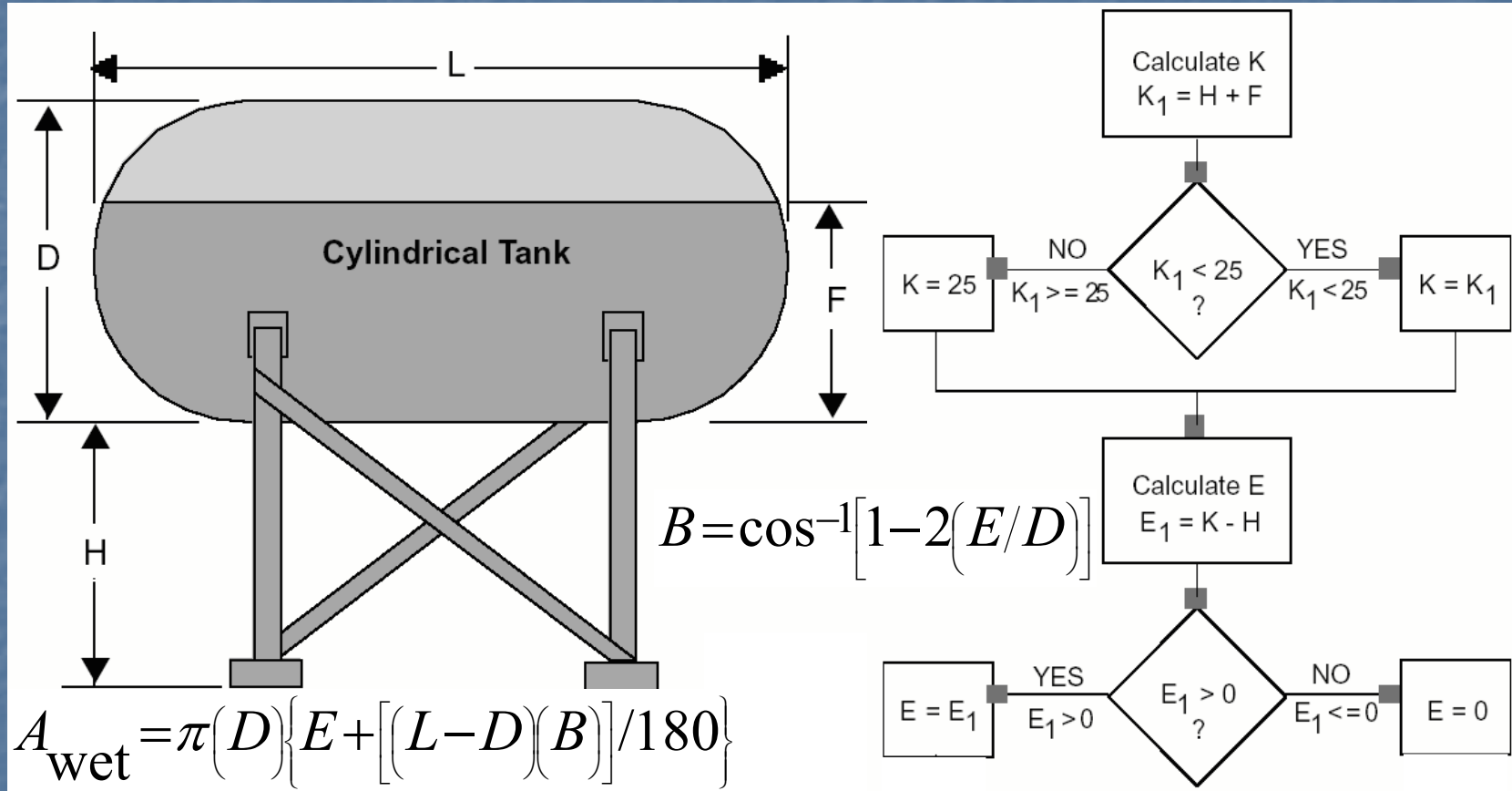
- API 520 gives all equations for calculating fire relief rate, step-by-step
 1. Determine the total wetted surface area
 2. Determine the total heat absorption
 3. Determine the rate of vapor or gas vaporized from the liquid

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Determine Wetted Area



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Determine Heat Absorption

- Prompt fire-fighting & adequate drainage:

$$Q_{\text{Btu/hr}} = 21,000 \cdot F \cdot (A_{\text{wet}})^{0.82}$$

- Otherwise:

$$Q_{\text{Btu/hr}} = 34,500 \cdot F \cdot (A_{\text{wet}})^{0.82}$$

where

Q is the heat absorption (Btu/hr)

F is the environmental factor

- 1.0 for a bare vessel
- Smaller values for insulated vessels

A_{wet} is the wetted surface area (ft²)

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Determine Vaporization Rate

where

$$W = Q / H_{\text{vap}}$$

W = Mass flow, lbs/hr

Q = Total heat absorption to the wetted surface, Btu/hr

H_{vap} = Latent heat of vaporization, Btu/lb

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Determine Relief Vent Area

- Liquid Service

$$A = \left[\frac{\text{in}^2(\text{psi})^{1/2}}{38.0 \text{ gpm}} \right] \frac{Q_v}{C_o K_v K_p K_b} \sqrt{\frac{(\rho/\rho_{\text{ref}})}{1.25 P_s - P_b}}$$

where

- A is the computed relief area (in²)
- Q_v is the volumetric flow thru the relief (gpm)
- C_o is the discharge coefficient
- K_v is the viscosity correction
- K_p is the overpressure correction
- K_b is the backpressure correction
- (ρ/ρ_{ref}) is the specific gravity of liquid
- P_s is the gauge set pressure (lb_f/in²)
- P_b is the gauge backpressure (lb_f/in²)

**SIZE RELIEFS
(Single Phase)**

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Determine Relief Vent Area

$$A = \frac{Q_m}{C_o \chi K_b P \sqrt{M}} \sqrt{Tz}$$

$$P = P_{\max} + 14.7$$

$P_{\max} = 1.1P_s$ for unfired pressure vessels

$P_{\max} = 1.2P_s$ for vessels exposed to fire

$P_{\max} = 1.33P_s$ for piping

P_s is the set pressure for the relief valve

M is average molecular weight of gas (lb_m/lb-mol) ■

P is maximum absolute discharge pressure (lb_f/in²) ■

χ is an isentropic expansion function ■

**SIZE RELIEFS
(Single Phase)**

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Determine Relief Vent Area

- Gas Service

$$\chi = 519.5 \sqrt{\gamma \left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right)^{(\gamma + 1)/(\gamma - 1)}}$$

- where
- χ is an isentropic expansion function
 - γ is heat capacity ratio for the gas
 - Units are as described in previous slide

**SIZE RELIEFS
(Single Phase)**

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A Special Issue: Chatter

- Spring relief devices require 25-30% of maximum flow capacity to maintain the valve seat in the open position
- Lower flows result in *chattering*, caused by rapid opening and closing of the valve disc
- This can lead to destruction of the device and a dangerous situation

**SIZE RELIEFS
(Single Phase)**

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Chatter - Principal Causes

- Valve Issues
 - Oversized valve
 - Valve handling widely differing rates
- Relief System Issues
 - Excessive inlet pressure drop
 - Excessive built-up back pressure

**SIZE RELIEFS
(Single Phase)**

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Worst Case Event Scenario

- Worst case for each relief is the event requiring the largest relief vent area
- Worst cases are a subset of the overall set of scenarios for each relief
- The identification of the worst-case scenario frequently affects relief size more than the accuracy of sizing calcs

**CHOOSE
WORST CASE**

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Design Relief System

- Relief System is more than a safety relief valve or rupture disc, it includes:
 - Backup relief device(s)
 - Line leading to relief device(s)
 - Environmental conditioning of relief device
 - Discharge piping/headers
 - Blowdown drum
 - Condenser, flare stack, or scrubber

**DESIGN RELIEF
SYSTEM**

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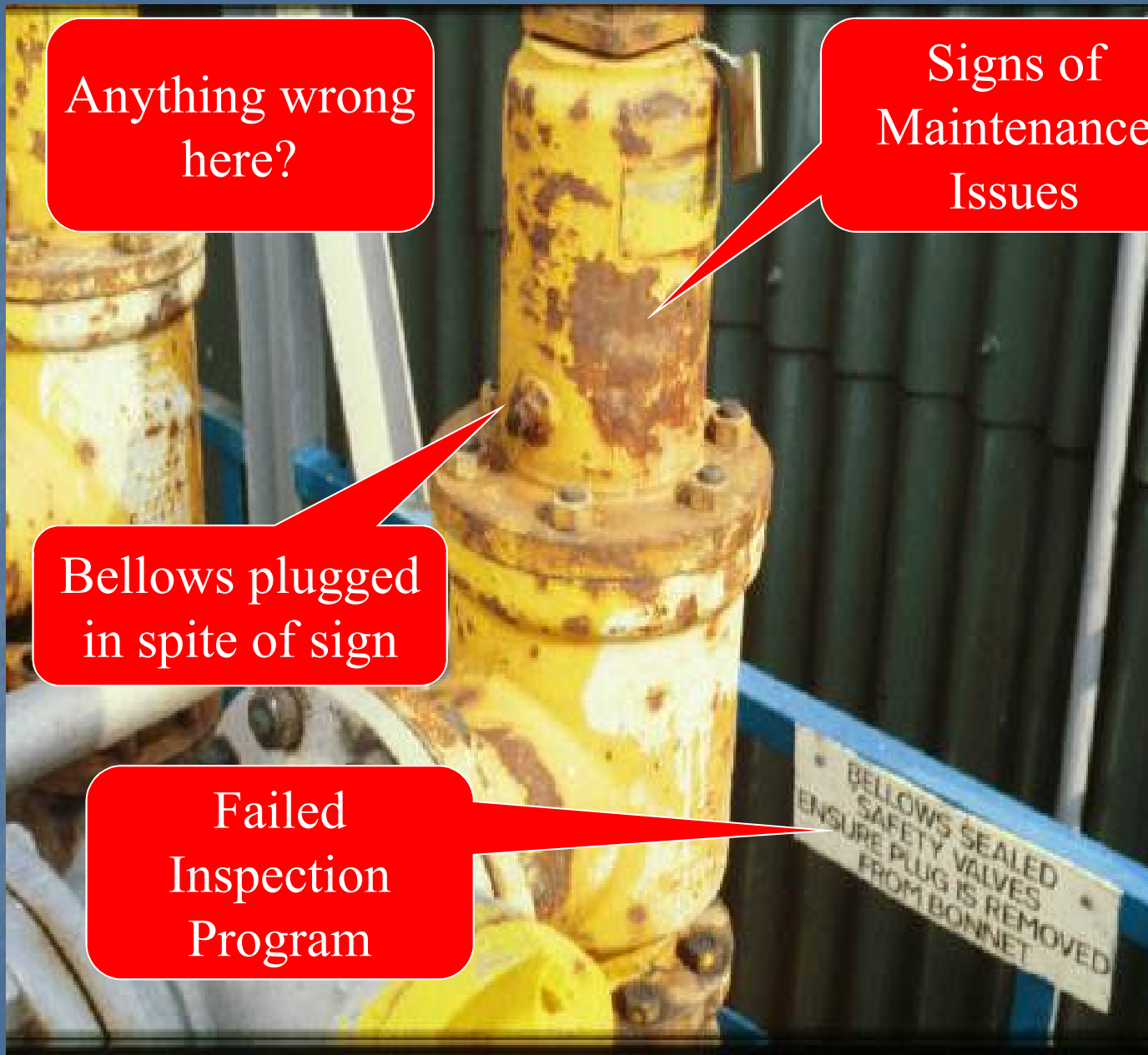
Installation, Inspection, and Maintenance

- To undermine all the good efforts of a design crew, simply ...
 1. Improperly install relief devices
 2. Fail to regularly inspect relief devices, or
 3. Fail to perform needed/required maintenance on relief devices

Reduced
Inlet Piping

Anything wrong
here?





Anything wrong here?

Signs of Maintenance Issues

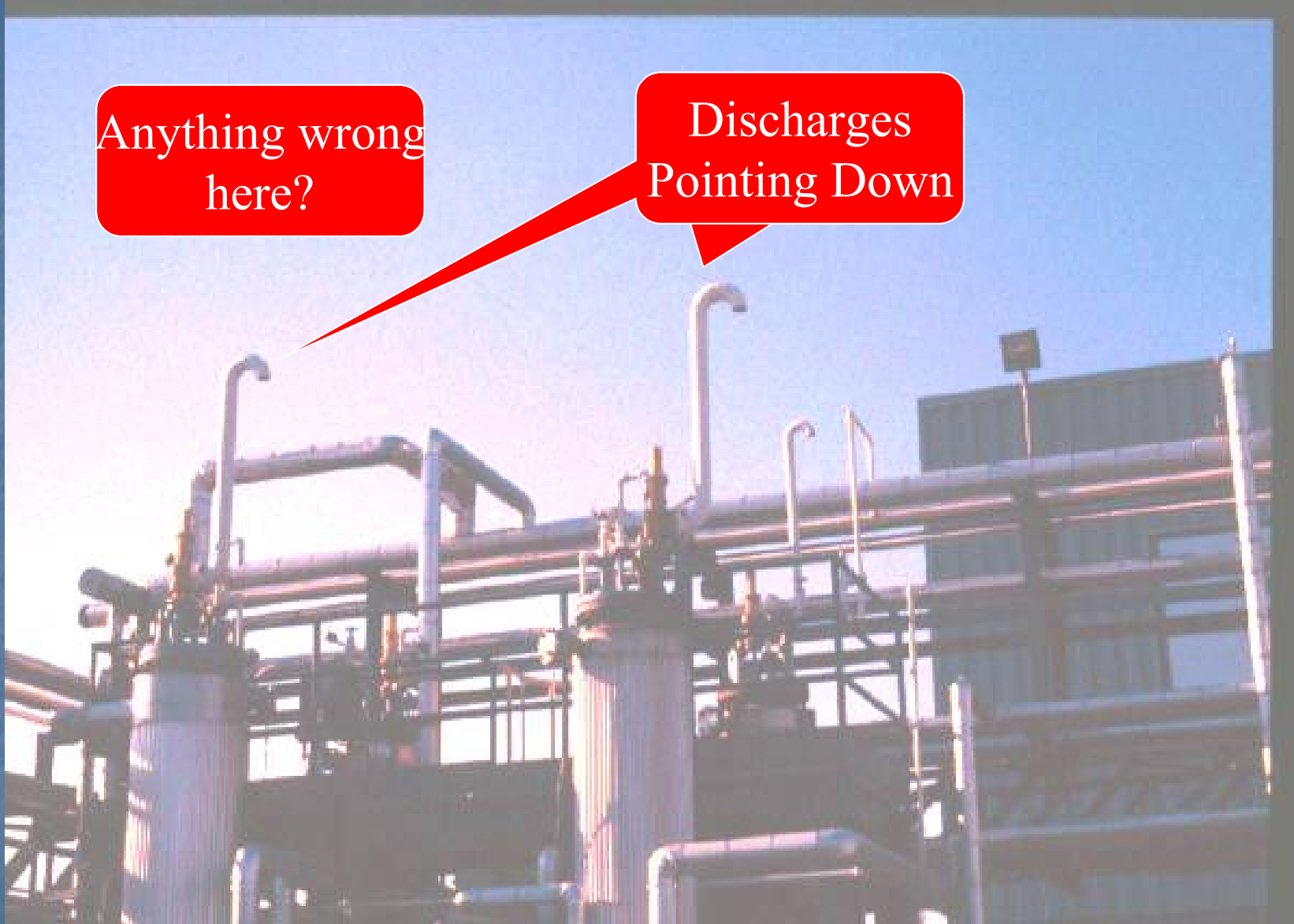
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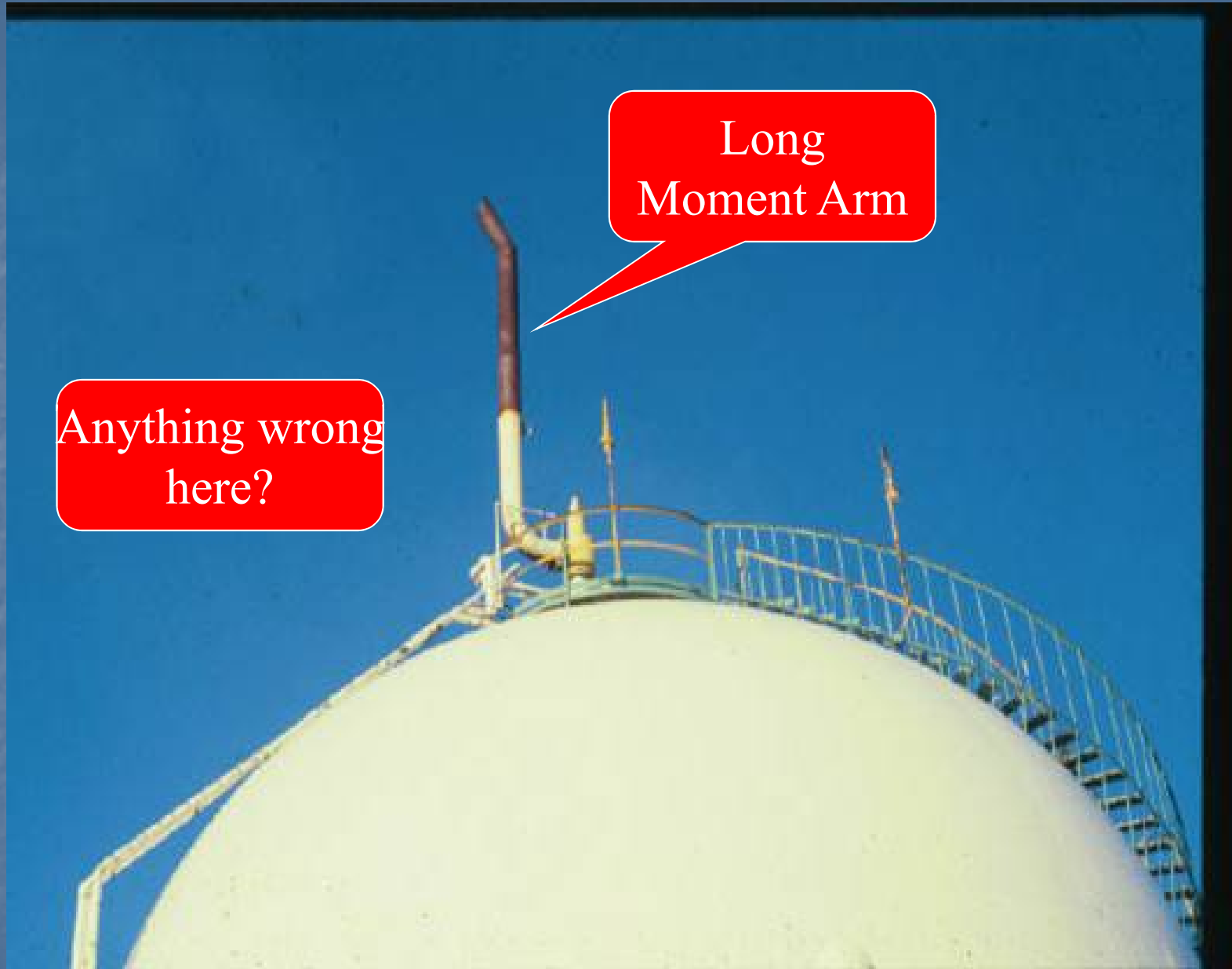
Failed Inspection Program

BELLOWS SEALED
SAFETY VALVES
ENSURE PLUG IS REMOVED
FROM BONNET

Anything wrong
here?

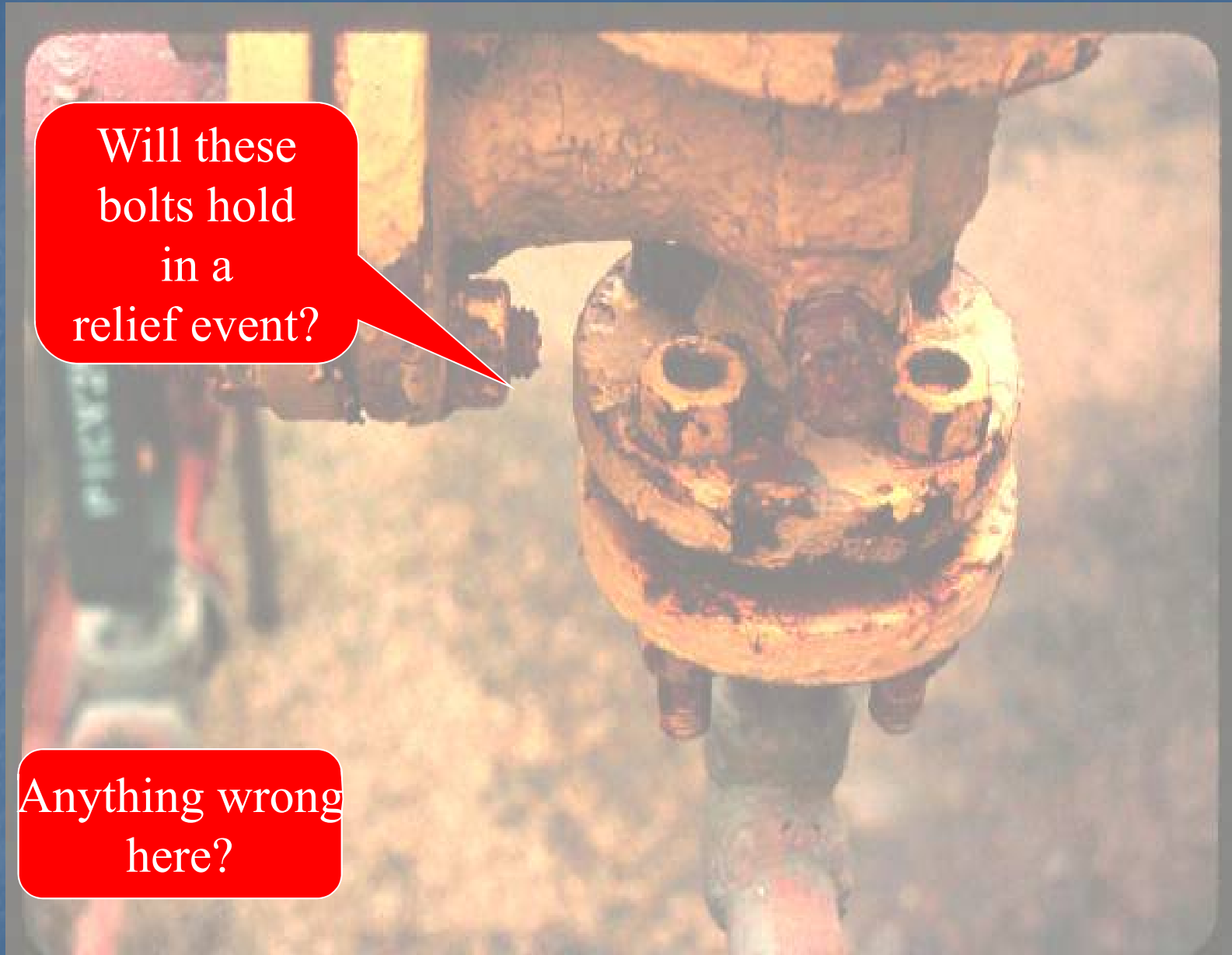
Discharges
Pointing Down





Long
Moment Arm

Anything wrong
here?

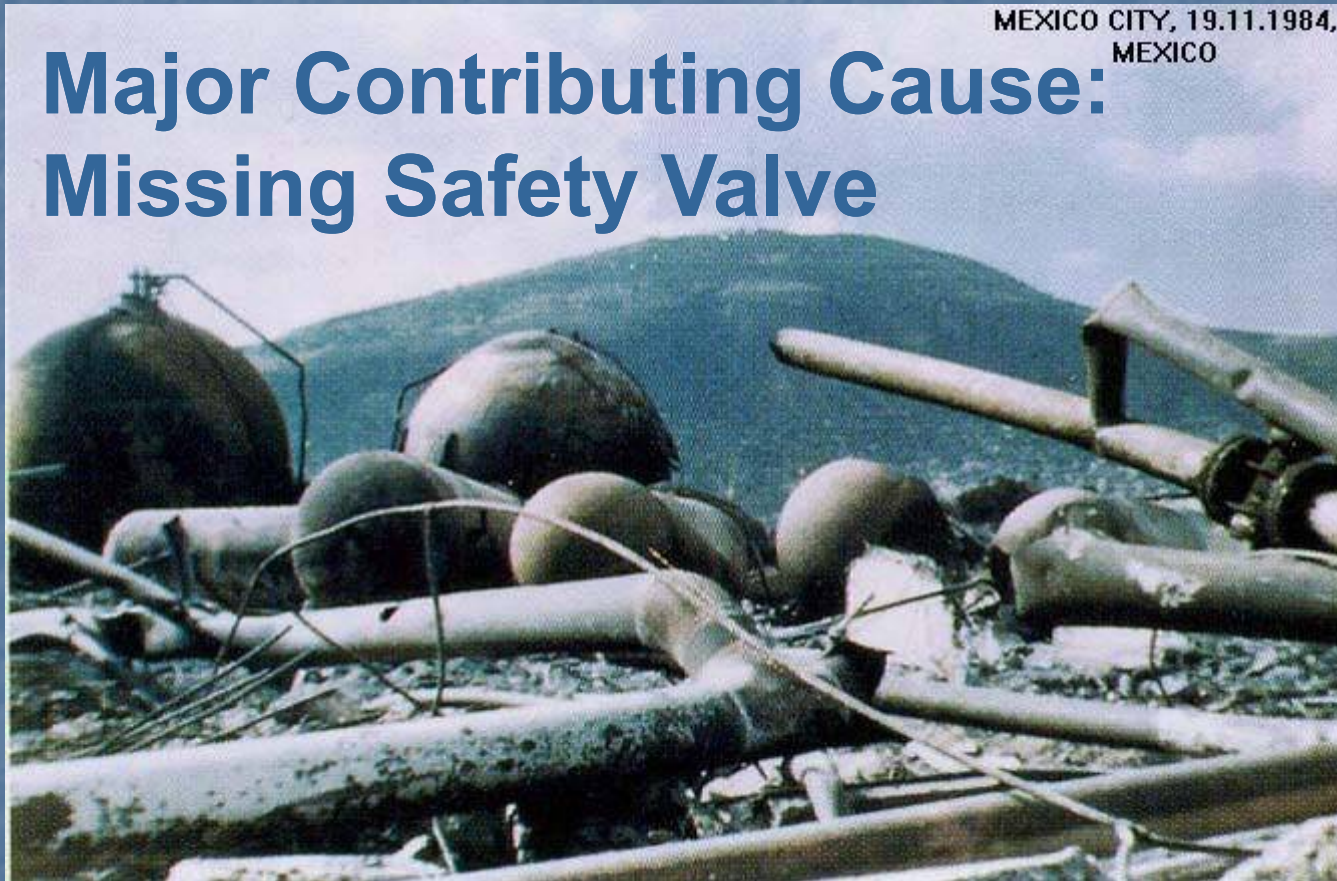


Will these bolts hold in a relief event?

Anything wrong here?

Mexico City Disaster

**Major Contributing Cause:
Missing Safety Valve**



Summary

- Pressure Relief
 - Very Important ACTIVE safety element
 - Connected intimately with Process Hazard Analysis
 - Requires diligence in design, equipment selection, installation, inspection and maintenance
- Look forward to ...
 - Two-phase flow methodology/exercise

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END OF PRESENTATION