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Section 1. QUIZ

1. The RTD is characterized by a negative temperature coefficient

True false

2. A fail-safe valve with an electric motor actuator, in the absence of power, always comes into the opening position

True false

3. The pyrometer measures the temperature by means of a radiation measurement

True False

4. Fluid shifting direction is greater in a free-flow (*Y-body*) valve than in a guided-flow (*Z-body*)

one.

True False **Section 2. QUIZ**

1. What happens if the temperature of the hot coupling in a thermocouple is lower than the reference jumper temperature?

- a. No output voltage is not generated
- b. The polarity of the output voltage is inverted
- c. The polarity does not change and the output voltage increases
- d. The output voltage remains the same when the temperature changes

2. This property of the sensors depends on the full scale

NB: Only mark the wrong answer!

- a. Accuracy
- b. Precision
- c. *Rangeability*
- d. Measuring Range

3. Which of the following components does not exist in a temperature industrial sensor?

- a. Protective tube
- b. Threaded or flanged joint for piping attachment
- c. Ceramic membrane
- d. Electric terminal

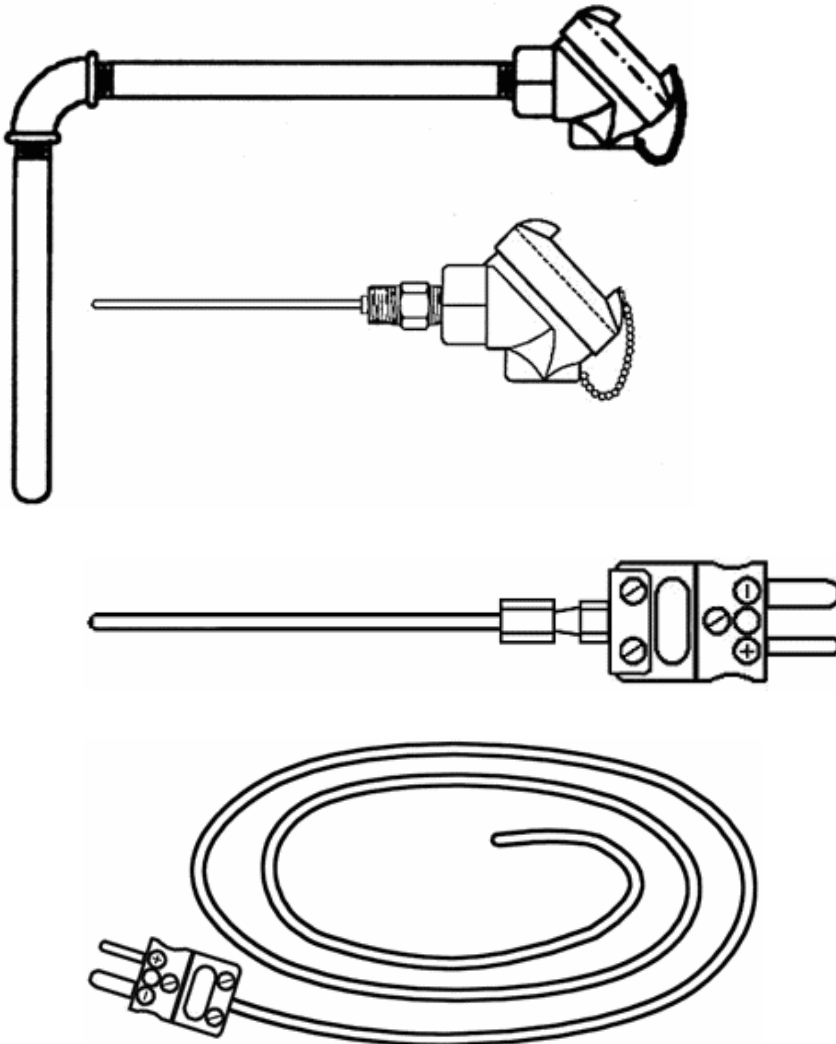
Section 3: SENSORS AND MEASURING INSTRUMENTS PROCESS

3.1 The thermocouple

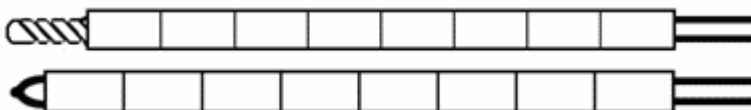
For each thermocouple in figures:

- Recognize the type of application
- Comment on the main parts you see in the figures.

NOTE: It's possible to indicate parts directly on the figure



- Recognize the type of **hot junction** for these thermocouples

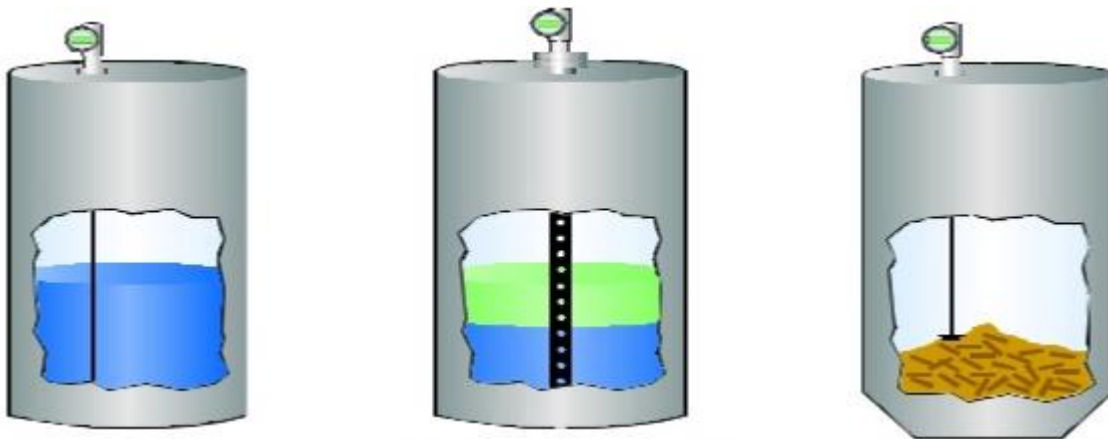


3.2 Capacitive pressure sensor

- a. Provide a schematic diagram of its operation

3.3 Level meters

- a. What is the difference among the three tanks in the type of measurement performed for level?



3.4 The rotameter

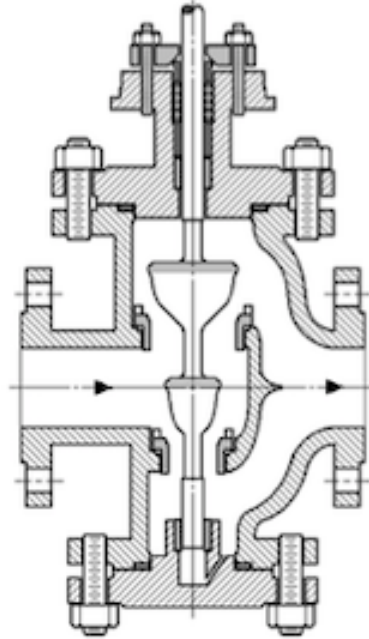
- a. Draw a **simple scheme** useful for explaining its working principle
- b. Derive the equation of the flow rate in the ideal case
- c. Extend the equation of the flow rate to the case of non-constant density
- d. Prepare a summary table about rotameter, stating in its columns **advantages, disadvantages, other features** deemed interesting.

Note: A short and well-articulated discussion will be evaluated more than a long and confused text!

Section 4: VALVES

4.1 Valve technology

- a. Recognize the **type of valve** in the figure



- b. Is it a **linear** or **rotary** valve?
c. What is its **application purpose**?
d. Recognize the main **component parts** of valve in the figure

NOTE: It's possible to indicate parts directly on the figure

- e. Is this type of valve subject to possible **cavitation**?

4.2 Control valves

Demonstrate how from the original eq. of the intrinsic =% **characteristic**

$$\Phi = \Phi_0 e^{\beta h}$$

you can mathematically obtain the corresponding parametric expression in rangeability:

$$\Phi = r^{h-1}$$

4.3 Sizing Problem

You are requested to make the optimal choice of valve under the following working conditions:

fluid: water

density: $\rho_f = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$

nominal flow rate: $\dot{m} = 50 \text{ kg/s}$

nominal diameter of the line: $DN = 8''$

pressure upstream of the valve: $P_1 = 18 \text{ psi}$

pressure downstream of the valve: $P_2 = 16 \text{ psi}$

vapor pressure: $P_v = 1.5 \text{ psi}$

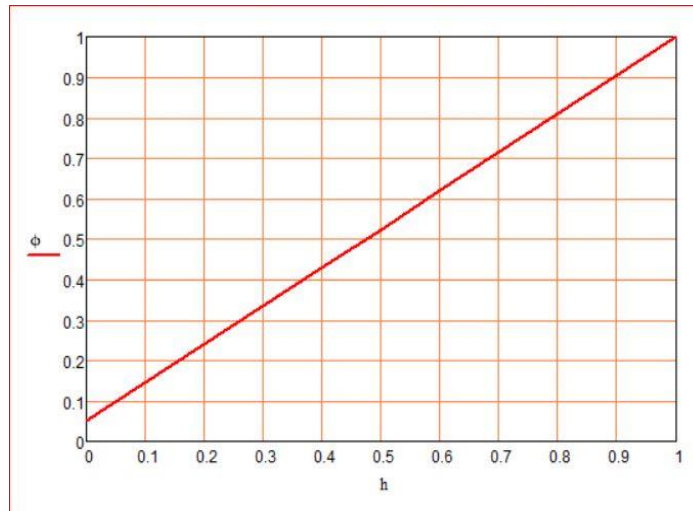
coefficient of the ratio of the critical pressure for liquids: $F_F = 0.956$

1. Calculate the flow coefficient C_v for the above conditions

You have available from manufacturers three different valves, each one being equipped with just one **intrinsic characteristic** in a graphical shape and with its **table of C_{vn}** . They are:

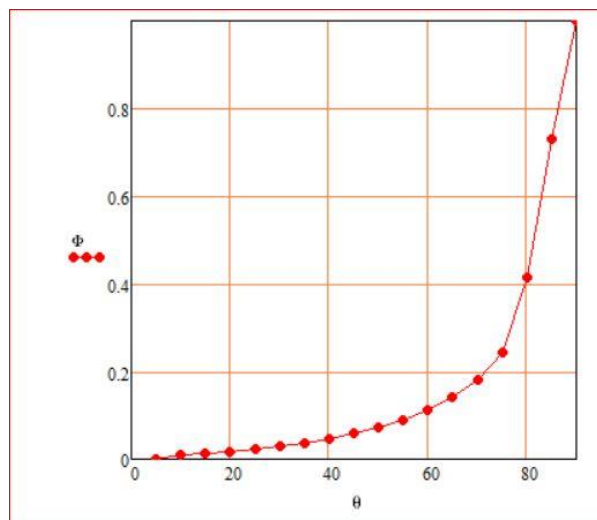
- a) a Saunders diaphragm valve

Valve Size, in	C_{vn} gpm $\text{psi}^{-1/2}$
6	484
8	1040
10	1584
12	2044



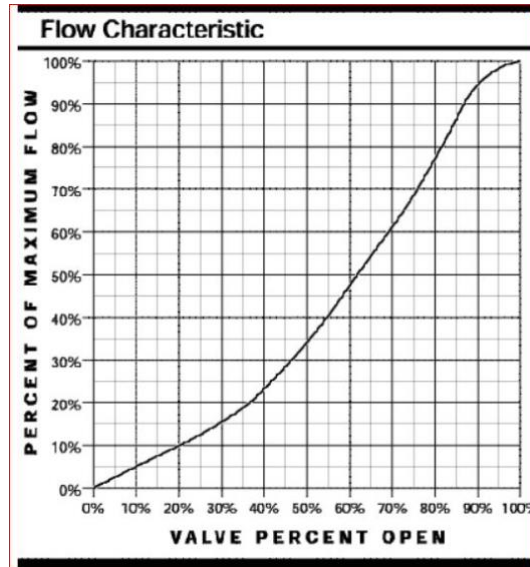
- b) a Pratt modulating sphere valve

Valve Size, in	C_{vn} gpm $\text{psi}^{-1/2}$
6	5250
8	9330
10	14600
12	21000



c) a De Zurick butterfly valve

Valve size, in	C _{vn} , gpm psi ^{-1/2}
5	860
6	1360
8	2260
10	3350



where **valve percent open** = $(\theta/90^\circ) \cdot 100$ in this particular case

- Size the valve for DN and choose the most appropriate one among the three different available types
- Verify cavitation according to the IEC norm.

Next, you are prompted to enter the selected valve in a circuit, taking ΔP_n equal to the original value ($P_1 - P_2$) and considering an user's equipment pressure drop:

$$\Delta P_u = 1.9 \text{ atm}$$

- What is the definition of the installed characteristic
- Calculate the nominal flow rate \dot{V}_n that will pass through the valve in the circuit
- What is the flow rate \dot{V}_1 that will pass through the valve for an opening of 35% ?
- What is the actual pressure drop across the valve ΔP_{v1} for an opening of 35% ?
- What is the opening required for the valve in order to have a flow rate $\dot{V}_2 = 60 \text{ gpm}$ passing through the valve inserted in the circuit?

Finally, we want to consider the use of the same valve in the event that the **pressure upstream of the valve** increases by 20% compared to the initial datum.

2bis Is the valve selected in step 2 still okay? Why?