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### Section 1. TRUE/FALSE QUESTIONS

1. The vortex flowmeter must be mounted horizontally

true  false

2. The typical span of a thermistor is: 50 – 250 °C.

true  false

3. The need of a stem guide arises in globe valves of large size

true  false

4. The change of direction imposed to the fluid is greater in a Z-body globe valve than in an Y-body globe valve

true  false

5. In all valves, the plug rotates only ever 90°

true  false

6. In the gate valve the closure member moves parallel to the main direction of flow

true  false

### Section 2. MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

1. Which of the following tools is not used to measure pressure?

- a.  manometer
- b.  vacuum meter
- c.  vacuum gauge
- d.  pyrometer

2. A bib cock can be

**NB: Just mark the wrong answer!**

- a.  three-way
- b.  conically tapered plug
- c.  double seat
- d.  butterfly

3. A bib cock can be

**NB: Just mark the wrong answer!**

- a.  globe
- b.  double seat
- c.  ball

- d.  butterfly
4. A globe valve cannot be
- a.  linear
  - b.  rotary
  - c.  free-flow
  - d.  three-way
5. With reference to a control valve, which of the following statements is incorrect?
- a.  the normal flow is for  $p_{vc} > p_v$
  - b.  the semicritical flow is for  $p_{vc} \leq p_v$  and  $p_2 > p_v$
  - c.  at *vena contracta* it is  $p_{vc} \geq p_1$
  - d.  the flow limit is for  $p_{vc} < p_v$  and  $p_2 \leq p_v$

## Section 3: SENSORS AND INSTRUMENTATION FOR PROCESS MEASURING

### 3.1 Application of a thermocouple

A thermocouple type **J** is employed to measure the temperature of superheated steam. The **cold junction** of the measuring circuit is located at the known temperature  $T_{gf}=300$  K. The voltmeter connected to the junction provides a measure of the electromotive force:  $E=40$  mV.

- a. Determine the temperature  $T_{gc}$  of the steam in °C, to the nearest  $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  value

### **3.2 The Bourdon Manometer**

- a. Draw a simple scheme of operation

### **3.3 The electromagnetic flowmeter**

- a. Draw a simple scheme of operation

### 3.4 Time-of-travel ultrasound level sensor

- a. Provide a simple explanation of the working principle

### 3.5. Sensor properties

- a. Draw in a qualitative manner the **static characteristic** of a sensor affected by hysteresis

**3.6. Contraction-based flow meters**

- a. Derive the flow equation in the **ideal case for liquids**
- b. Use the flow equation to calculate the volumetric flow rate of water in the **ideal case** where  $P_1=100$  kPa,  $P_2=50$  kPa,  $d_1=100$  mm,  $d_2=20$  mm
- c. Extend the flow equation to the case the flow is **not ideal**
- d. Extend the flow equation to fluids with a **non-constant density**
- e. Discuss applications, advantages e disadvantages

NB:

A well-organized and short paragraph will be assessed more than a long and confused text!

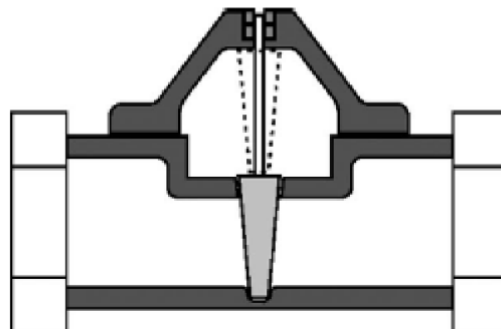
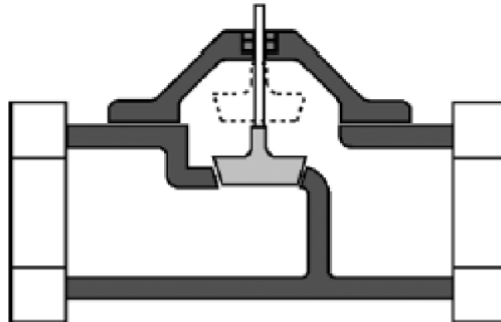
## Section 4: VALVES

### 4.1. The technology of valves

For the valve in each of the two drawings:

- What type is the valve
- What is the valve purpose?
- Is it a linear or rotary valve ?
- Identify the main component parts

NB: It's possible to put answers directly on or near the following drawings



## 4.2. Valve sizing problem

You're required to size and to choose a **valve** for the following conditions:

nominal diameter of the line:  $DN = 150 \text{ mm}$

two possible fluids: sea water with a density  $\rho_f = 1.025 \text{ kg/L}$  or chloroform with density  $\rho_f = 1.465 \text{ kg/L}$

pressure upstream of the valve:  $P_1 = 2.58 \div 3.5 \text{ bar}$

pressure downstream of the valve:  $P_2 = 1.57 \text{ bar}$

nominal flow rate:  $\dot{m} = 70 \div 90 \text{ kg/s}$

vapor pressure:  $P_v = 4000 \text{ Pa}$

liquid critical pressure ratio factor:  $F_F = 0.956$

1. Calculate the flow coefficient  $C_v$

You have available a **POLARIS** butterfly valve with the following manufacturer's table of  $C_v$  (US gal  $\text{min}^{-1} \text{ psi}^{-1/2}$ ) as a function of the opening angle  $\theta$  (as reported in a row for each DN):

DN (mm)	$C_v$ (gpm $\text{psi}^{-1/2}$ )							
	20°	30°	40°	50°	60°	70°	80°	90°
40	3	5	11	18	26	45	70	80
50	8	9	18	28	55	72	110	135
65	10	15	27	44	85	110	168	210
80	15	23	39	65	130	165	250	310
100	27	41	71	115	230	300	465	540
125	58	86	150	245	480	610	980	1100
150	96	140	245	400	785	1010	1615	1910
200	165	245	410	685	1275	1715	2670	3185

2. Choose the best suitable DN for the valve
3. Plot the **intrinsic characteristic** of the chosen valve in a diagram
4. Which type is the **intrinsic characteristic**?
5. Calculate the salient points of the **flow curve**, plot them back in a diagram and determine if the valve operates under normal flow.

Next, you are requested to insert the chosen valve in a flow circuit, assuming  $\Delta P_n$  equal to the value  $(P_1 - P_2)$  originally adopted before, and considering the following three cases for the **utility pressure drop**:

- a.  $P_2 - P_3 = \Delta P_u = \Delta P_n$
- b.  $\Delta P_u = \Delta P_n / 2$
- c.  $\Delta P_u = 2\Delta P_n$

6. How much is the **authority**  $V$  in the 3 cases?

Furthermore, under the condition  $\Delta P_u = 2\Delta P_n$

7. How much is the volumetric flowrate  $\dot{V}_{\theta}$  passing through the valve for  $\theta = 40^\circ$ ?
8. How much is the **pressure drop**  $\Delta P_{v,\theta}$  through the valve for  $\theta = 40^\circ$ ?