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Section 1. TRUE/FALSE QUESTIONS

1. The **membrane valve** got this name just because has a **ceramic membrane** in contact with the flowing fluid
true ☐ false ☐
2. The **sonar level sensors** always provide the contemporary measurement of the temperature
true ☐ false ☐
3. In a “**air-to-open**” **valve** the air operates on the actuator in order to move away the closure member from the seat
true ☐ false ☐
4. **Closed liquid column manometers** (“U” tube manometers) containing mercury are used for measuring pressure in a vacuum
true ☐ false ☐

Section 2. MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

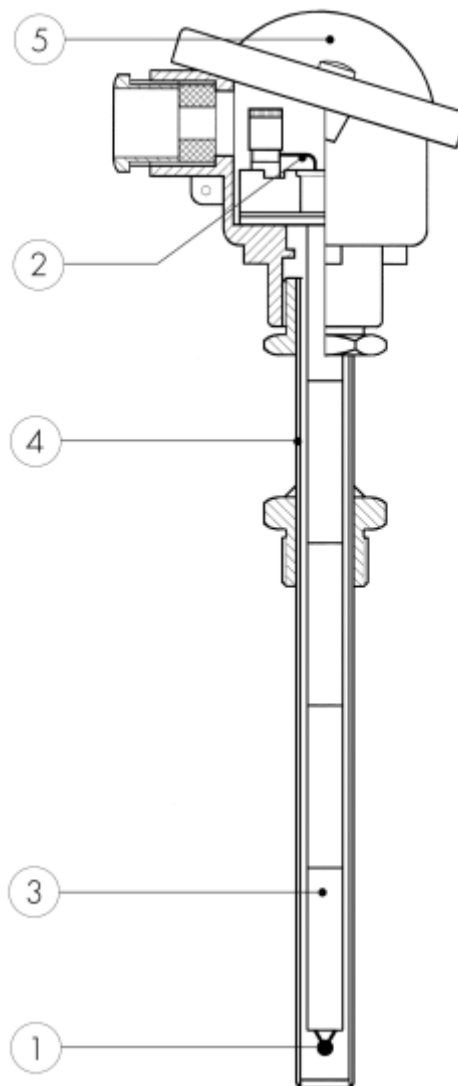
1. **Saunders valves** are:
 - a. ☐ rotary motion control valves
 - b. ☐ linear stem motion control valves
 - c. ☐ ball control valves
 - d. ☐ angle control valves
2. Which one is a dimensionless **sensor property**?
 - a. ☐ accuracy at the full scale
 - b. ☐ accuracy at the measured value
 - c. ☐ *rangeability*
 - d. ☐ sensitivity
3. The working principle of a **pressure transducer** can be:
NOTE: check only the wrong answer!
 - a. ☐ piezoelectric
 - b. ☐ radio
 - c. ☐ inductive
 - d. ☐ electric resistance

Section 3: SENSORS AND INSTRUMENTATION FOR PROCESS MEASUREMENTS

3.1. Thermocouple

Look at the TC drawing below:

- a. Is it a TC for industrial or laboratory use?
- b. Recognize the main parts, reporting briefly the description just on the drawing



3.2 Contraction-based flow meters

a. Draw a sketch of at least one **contraction-based flow meter**

b. What is the **basic principle (necessary measurement)** of **contraction-based flow meters**?

3.3 Capacitance pressure sensor

Provide the **working principle** and the **main characteristics** of this sensor

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3.5 Sensor properties

Describe briefly differences between the definitions of **accuracy** and **repeatability**.

a. Draw a sketch

- b. What is the **basic principle (necessary measurement)**?

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. Is this type of valve subject to possible **cavitation**?
- e. Recognize the main **component parts** of valve **directly** in the figure



4.2 Sizing problem

A control valve for water flow has to be chosen and sized at the following conditions:

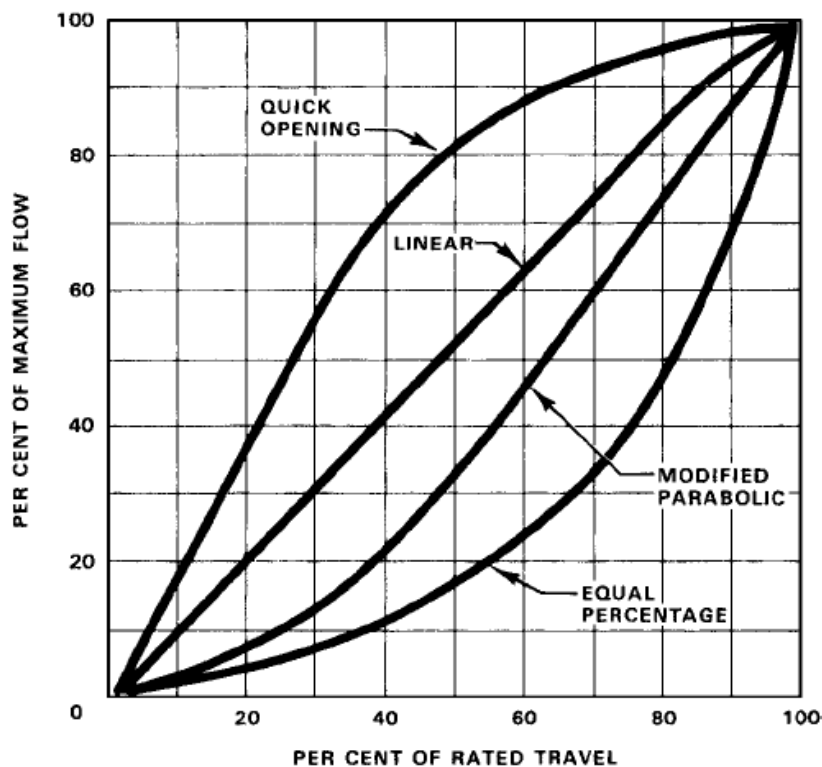
nominal flow rate: $\dot{V} = 10.5 \text{ L/s}$
 nominal pipe size: NPS = 3"
 upstream pressure: $P_1 = 36.75 \text{ psi}$
 downstream pressure: $P_2 = 10.3 - 13.3 \text{ psi}$
 vapor pressure: $P_v = 3.7 \text{ psi}$
 recovery factor: $F_L = 0.9$
 liquid critical pressure ratio factor: $F_F = 0.956$

1. Calculate the **flow coefficient** C_v for the nominal valve pressure drop that appears to be the most demanding

A single seat control **globe valve** is available.

The diagram of the valve **inherent characteristics** and the table of C_{vn} values are provided below:

Valve nominal size	$C_{vn} \text{ (gpm psi}^{-1/2}\text{)}$
1"	14
1.5"	31
2"	54
3"	115



Commonly observed inherent flow characteristic types

2. **Size the valve** and choose that one with the most appropriate nominal diameter and inherent characteristic.
3. Check **cavitation** according to the IEC norm.

Let us consider the chosen valve now installed in a **circuit plant**, assuming ΔP_n equal to the value $(P_1 - P_2)$ previously chosen, and the following value of the **user's equipment pressure drop**:

$$\Delta P_u = 30 \text{ psi}$$

4. What is the value of ΔP_0 ?
5. What is the **valve authority** V ?
6. What is the nominal flow rate $\dot{V}_n$ through the valve?
7. What is the new flow rate $\dot{V}_1$ through the valve for $h_1 = 0.4$?
8. What is the valve pressure drop ΔP_1 for $h_1 = 0.4$?
9. What is the value of the relative stroke h_2 which determines a flow rate $\dot{V}_2 = 95 \text{ gal(US)/min}$ through the valve in the circuit?