

# Heating plants

## HVAC System design

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## Air conditioning systems

- ① liquid (**water or water with additives**), are suitable for controlling only the internal temperature and not the humidity; they are sized based on the sensible load, they are usually used for heating and cooling.  
They can be of three different types:
  - radiators (winter use only)
  - fan coils (winter and summer use)
  - radiant panels (winter for heating and summer for cooling).
- ② direct expansion **systems** (winter and summer use and for small and medium powers).
- ③ all-air **systems**, are suitable for controlling both the temperature and the internal humidity; can be divided in turn
  - single duct
  - double duct
  - constant or variable flow rate
- ④ Mixed systems **air and water**
  - water part controls the temperature
  - air part controls the humidity

Classical use for heating, heat exchange by

- radiation about 30 %
- convection about 70 %

The thermal output depends on the difference between the average temperature of the radiator and the ambient air

$$\Phi = c(\Delta\theta_a)^n$$

$c$  is a typical coefficient of the radiator

$n \sim 4/3$  for convection in turbulent regime

$\Delta\theta_a$  average temperature difference between the radiator and ambient air:

## heat output change with temperature

The difference between the average temperature of the radiator and the air can be expressed as:

$$\Delta\theta_a = \left[ \frac{(\theta_m + \theta_r)}{2} - \theta_{air} \right]$$

$\theta_m$  inlet temperature

$\theta_r$  outlet temperature

according to UNI EN 442 the heat flux is calculated in nominal conditions with  $\Delta\theta_a = \Delta\theta_n$  with  $\theta_{aria} = 20^\circ$ :

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \theta_m = 85^\circ \text{C} \\ \theta_r = 75^\circ \text{C} \end{array} \right\} \implies \Delta\theta_n = 60 \text{ K}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \theta_m = 75^\circ \text{C} \\ \theta_r = 65^\circ \text{C} \end{array} \right\} \implies \Delta\theta_n = 50 \text{ K}$$

temperature different from the nominal one

$$c = \frac{\Phi_n}{(\Delta\theta_n)^n}$$

$$\Phi(\Delta\theta_a) = c(\Delta\theta_a)^n = \Phi_n \left( \frac{\Delta\theta_a}{\Delta\theta_n} \right)^n$$

## Example of a technical information sheet

example taken from a technical sheet by FONDITAL

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<b>Standard supply</b>	235 - 335 - 350 - 435	from 4 to 20 elements
	500 - 535 - 600	
	685 - 700 - 800 - 835	from 4 to 16 elements
	900 - 935 - 1000 - 1135	from 4 to 9 elements
	1200 - 1400 - 1435	
	1600 - 1735 - 1935	from 4 to 12 elements
<b>Colours</b>	see colours table	
<b>Maximum working pressure</b>	16 bar	
<b>Test pressure</b>	24 bar	
<b>Aleternum treatment</b>	Supplied as standard	

MEASURES EXPRESSED IN MILLIMETRES

Model	Heat output					
	ΔT 20	ΔT 30	ΔT 40	ΔT 50	ΔT 60	ΔT 70
	W/sect.	W/sect.	W/sect.	W/sect.	W/sect.	W/sect.
235	9,6	16,0	23,1	30,6	38,6	46,9
335	12,5	21,1	30,5	40,5	51,1	62,3
350	13,0	21,8	31,5	41,9	52,9	64,4
435	15,2	25,6	37,1	49,4	62,5	76,1
500	16,9	28,5	41,3	55,1	69,7	85,0
535	17,8	30,1	43,6	58,2	73,6	89,8
600	19,5	32,9	47,8	63,8	80,8	98,6
685	21,6	36,6	53,3	71,2	90,2	110,2
700	22,0	37,3	54,2	72,5	91,8	112,2
800	24,5	41,6	60,6	81,1	102,8	125,8
835	25,4	43,1	62,8	84,1	106,7	130,5
900	27,0	45,9	67,0	89,7	113,9	139,3

Model	Heat output					
	ΔT 20	ΔT 30	ΔT 40	ΔT 50	ΔT 60	ΔT 70
	W/sect.	W/sect.	W/sect.	W/sect.	W/sect.	W/sect.
935	27,9	47,5	69,2	92,7	117,7	144,0
1000	29,6	50,3	73,4	98,3	124,9	152,8
1135	33,0	56,2	82,0	110,0	139,8	171,2
1200	34,6	59,9	87,5	115,7	149,3	182,8
1400	39,7	67,9	99,2	133,3	169,6	207,9
1435	40,7	69,5	101,6	136,4	173,5	212,7
1600	45,1	77,1	112,6	151,2	192,3	235,6
1735	48,9	83,4	121,8	163,4	207,8	254,6
1800	50,7	86,4	126,3	169,4	215,4	263,9
1935	54,5	92,9	135,7	181,9	231,3	283,3
2000	56,4	96,1	140,2	188,1	239,0	292,7

After sizing the radiator the required water flow can be computed

$$\Phi(\Delta\theta_a) = \Phi_n \cdot \left( \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta\theta_n} \right)^n = \dot{m} \cdot c \cdot \Delta\theta_{mr}$$

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$\dot{m}$  mass water flow (water or additive water).

$c$  specific heat capacity (4,187 kJ/kgK for water)

$\Delta\theta$  inlet and outlet temperature difference  $\Delta\theta_{mr} = \theta_i - \theta_r$ .

## water mass flow

Once computed the mass flow the piping can be sized using specified velocities which depend on:

- pressur losses
- noise
- corrosion
- air

# recommended water velocity

## Recommended velocity (m/s) for hot and chilled water networks

	pipes main	pipes secondary	branches to heating bodies
steel pipes	1.5 - 2.5	0.5 - 1.5	0.2 - 0.7
copper pipes	0.9 - 1.2	0.5 - 0.9	0.2 - 0.5
plastic pipes	1.5 - 2.5	0.5 - 1.5	0.2 - 0.7

# Types of fluid flow

## laminar flow

- regular flow
- low velocities
- low pressure drops or head loss
- reduced heat exchange

## turbulent flow

- high velocities
- chaotic motion
- high pressure drops and strong heat exchange

# dimensionless groups

## Reynolds number

- heat exchanges and pressure drops are computed using correlations
- $Re$  fundamental parameter for calculating flow type
- ratio between inertial forces and viscous forces
- for each geometry determines whether the motion is *laminar* or *turbulent*

$$Re = \frac{\rho \cdot u \cdot L \cdot \cancel{\psi}}{\mu \cdot \cancel{\psi} / L \cdot \cancel{L^2}} = \frac{\rho \cdot u \cdot L}{\mu}$$

$u$  speed

$\rho$  density

$\mu$  dynamic viscosity kg/(m s)

- laminar flow  $Re < 2000$  in round ducts and pipes.
- transition  $2000 \leq Re < 4000$
- turbulent  $4000 \leq Re$

# Steady Flow Energy Equation

## relationship between pressure and velocity in a duct

$$(p_2 - p_1) + \frac{1}{2} \rho \cdot (u_2^2 - u_1^2) + g \cdot \rho \cdot (z_2 - z_1) + \Delta p_l = 0$$

$u$  velocity

$p$  pressure

$z$  elevation

$\Delta p_l$  pressure loss

# Steady Flow Energy Equation

## total pressure

$$P_t = p + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \rho \cdot u^2$$
$$P_{t,1} - P_{t,2} = \rho \cdot g \cdot (z_2 - z_1) + \Delta p_l$$

- the pressure difference between inlet and outlet depends on head losses and height difference
- the formula is valid for closed-circuit and open-circuit systems
- for closed-circuit systems the elevation head term disappears
- $\Delta p_l$  takes into account the losses along the pipe and fittings discontinuities

## pressure loss

### Friction Factor

$$\frac{\Delta p}{L} = r = F_a \frac{1}{D} \rho \frac{v^2}{2}$$

$r$  [Pa/m] pressure drop per unit length  $\frac{\Delta p}{L}$

$L$  length of the duct

$D$  diameter of the duct

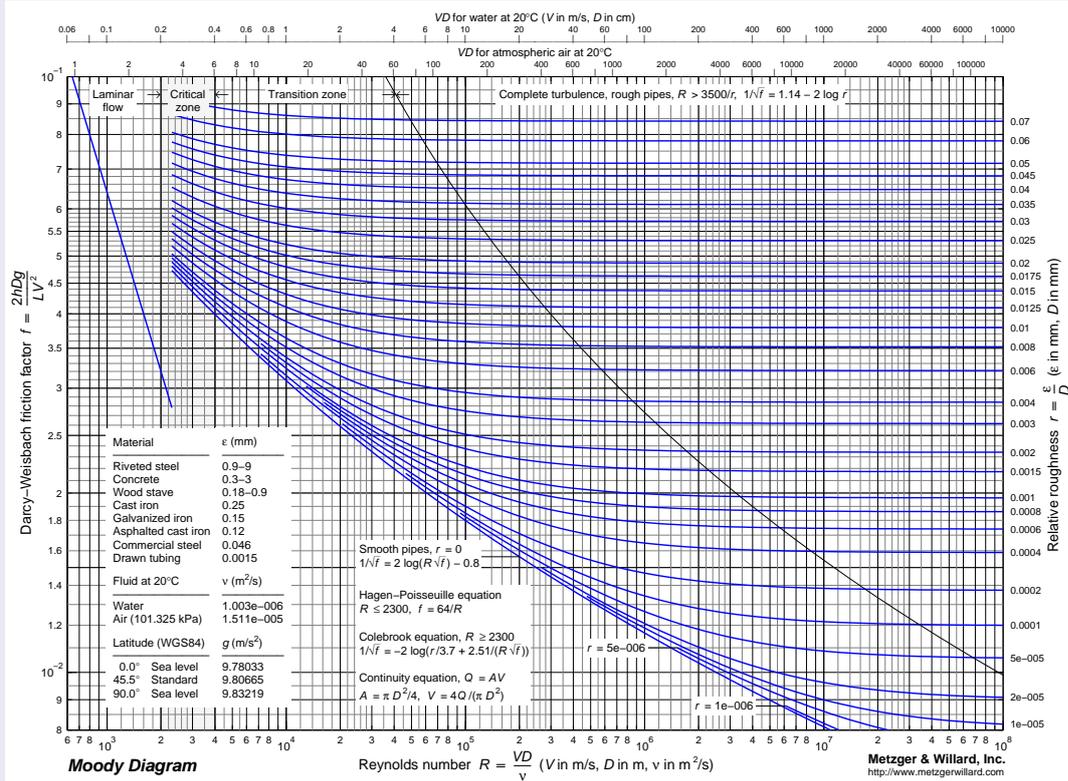
$\rho$  density of the fluid

$v$  velocity of the fluid

$F_a$  friction factor

- pressure drops are proportional to the square of the velocity of the fluid
- depend on the flow regime, laminar or turbulent
- can be calculated with diagrams or formulas

# Moody diagram



## $f$ and $Re$

- laminar flow  $f$  is affected mainly by the viscous force of the fluid flow is a function of  $Re$  only.

$$f = \frac{64}{Re}$$

- smooth tube  $Re > 4000$  surface roughness submerged in laminar sublayer,  $f$  decreases with  $Re$

$$f = \frac{0.316}{Re^{0.25}}$$

- with an increase of  $Re$  laminar becomes thinner than roughness.  $f$  increases
- if  $Re > Rouse\ limit$   $f$  depends on relative roughness  $\epsilon/D$  only

can be obtained with Colebrook equation:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{F_a}} = -2 \cdot \log \left( \frac{k}{3,7 \cdot D} + \frac{2,51}{Re\sqrt{F_a}} \right)$$

where

$k$  absolute roughness

$Re$  Reynolds number

- implicit formulation
- difficult to be used for computing head losses
- other formulas are available in explicit form

## Absolute roughness

### low roughness

$$0.002 < k < 0.007 \text{ mm}$$

- copper
- plastic water pipe

### medium roughness

$$0.02 < k < 0.09 \text{ mm}$$

- steel
- galvanized steel

### high roughness

$$0.2 < k < 1.0 \text{ mm}$$

- scaled steel
- corroded steel
- concrete

## Alternative formulas

### Swamee-Jain

$$F_a = 0.25 \cdot \left[ \log \left( \frac{k/D}{3.7} + \frac{5.74}{Re^{0.9}} \right) \right]^{-2}$$

### Haaland

$$\frac{1}{F_a} = -1.8 \cdot \log \left[ \left( \frac{k/D}{3.7} \right)^{1.11} + \frac{6.9}{Re} \right]$$

### Atsui-saal

$$f^* = 0.11 \cdot \left( \frac{k}{D} + \frac{68}{Re} \right)^{0.25}$$

$$f^* > 0.018 \quad F_a = f^*$$

$$f^* < 0,018 \quad F_a = 0,85 \cdot f^* + 0,0028$$

## simplified formulas

Quaderni Caleffi

practical formulas for  $F_a$  with different tube material

low roughness  $2\mu m < k < 7\mu m$  (Cu, PE)

$$F_a = 0,316 Re^{-0,25}$$

medium roughness  $20\mu m < k < 90\mu m$  (acciaio)

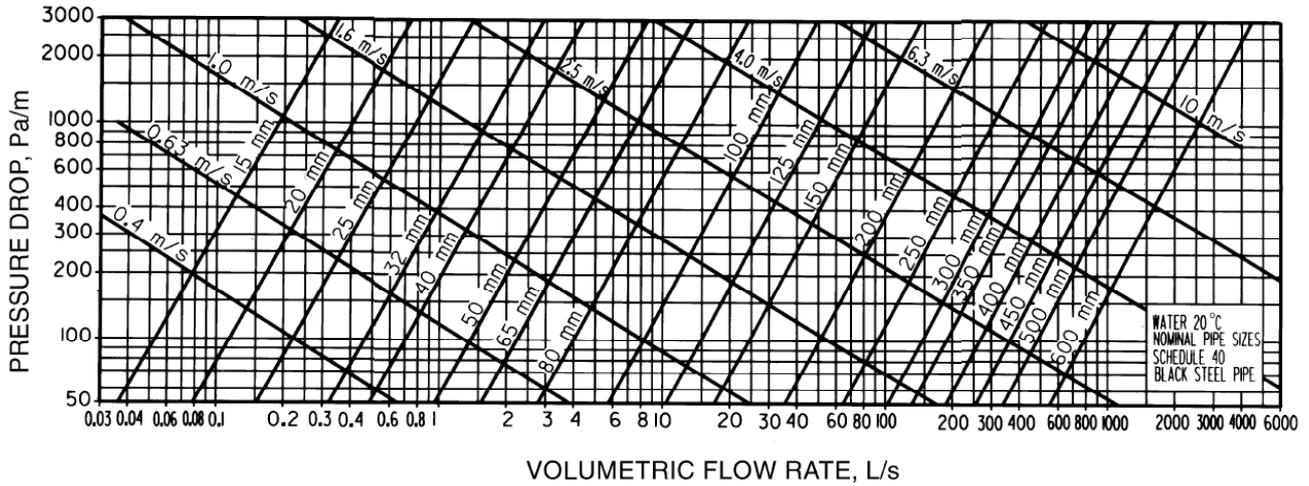
$$F_a = 0,07 Re^{-0,13} D^{-0,14}$$

high roughness  $0,2mm < k < 1mm$  Colebrook equation or alternatives

# Friction chart

from ASHRAE

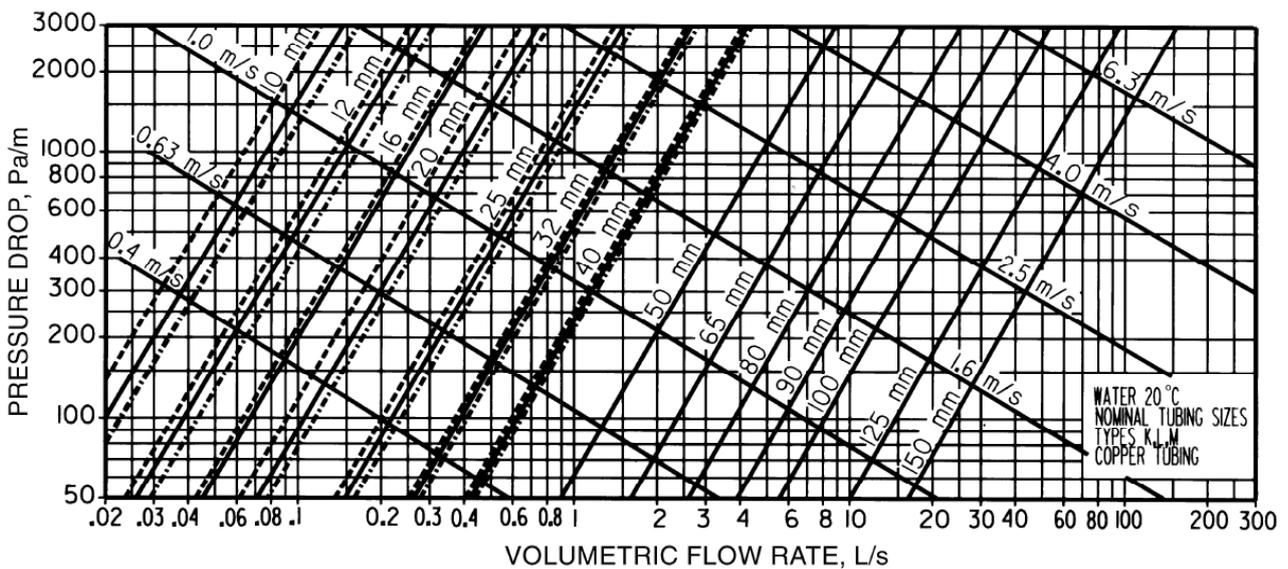
## steel pipes



# Friction chart

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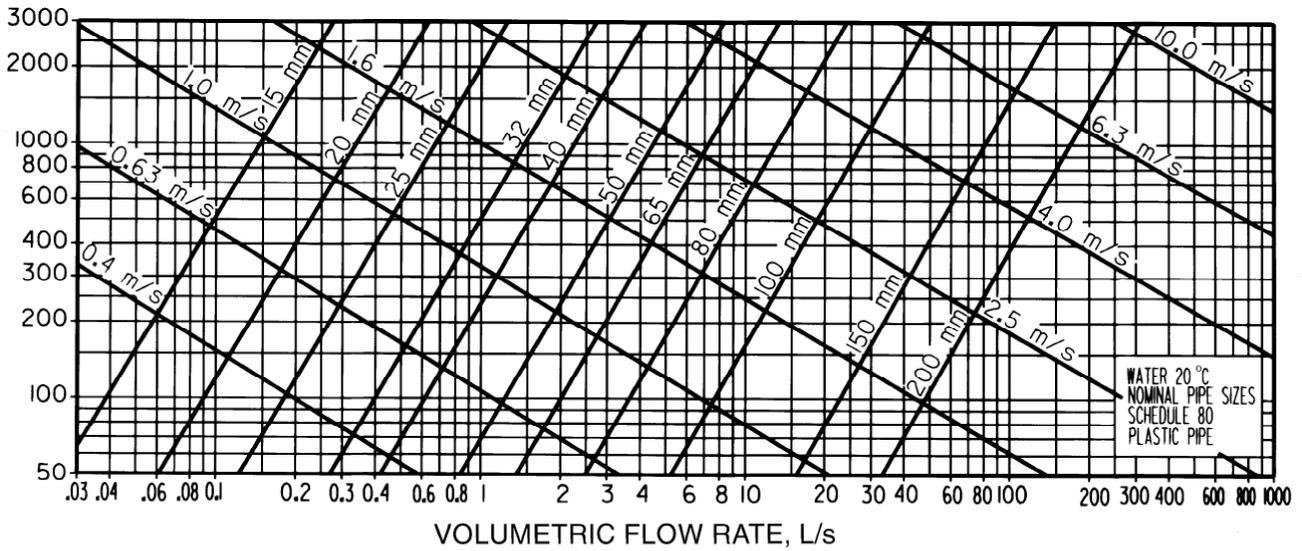
## copper pipes



# Friction chart

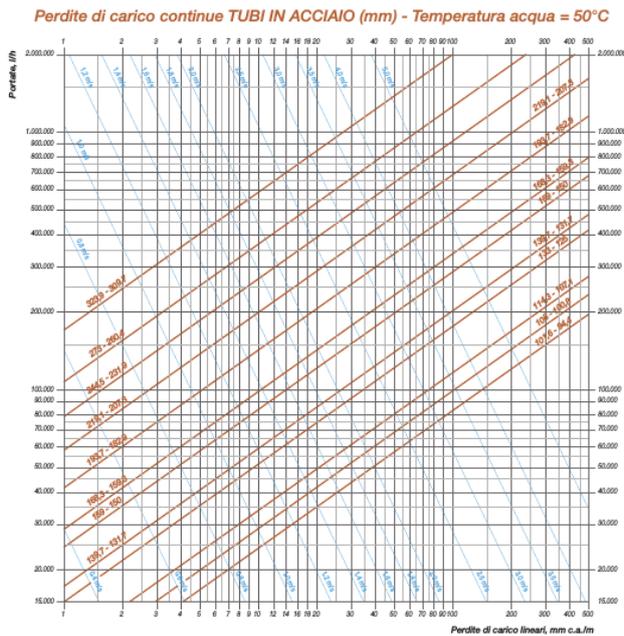
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## plastic pipe



# Friction chart

from Caleffi



- circuits with bends fittings valves
- resistance coefficients are introduced

## Computing methods

- direct
- equivalent length
- kv factors  $k_v$  and  $k_{v001}$

# direct method

## pressure loss in fittings

$$z = \xi \cdot \rho \cdot \frac{u^2}{2}$$

$\xi$  loss coefficient

## total pressure loss

$$\Delta z = L \cdot r + \left( \sum \xi \right) \cdot \rho \cdot \frac{u^2}{2}$$

# typical pressure loss coefficients

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Diametro interno tubi rame, PEad, PEX		8-16 mm	18-28 mm	30-54 mm	>54 mm
Diametro esterno tubi acciaio		3/8"-1/2"	3/4"-1"	1 1/4"-2"	>2"
Tipo di resistenza localizzata	Simbolo				
Curva stretta a 90° <i>r/d = 1,5</i>		2.0	1.5	1.0	0.8
Curva normale a 90° <i>r/d = 2.5</i>		1.5	1.0	0.5	0.4
Curva larga a 90° <i>r/d &gt; 3.5</i>		1.0	0.5	0.3	0.3
Curva stretta a U <i>r/d = 1.5</i>		2.5	2.0	1.5	1.0
Curva normale a U <i>r/d = 2.5</i>		2.0	1.5	0.8	0.5
Curva larga a U <i>r/d &gt; 3.5</i>		1.5	0.8	0.4	0.4
Allargamento		1.0			
Restringimento		0.5			
Diramazione semplice con T a squadra		1.0			
Confluenza semplice con T a squadra		1.0			
Diramazione doppia con T a squadra		3.0			
Confluenza doppia con T a squadra		3.0			
Diramazione semplice con angolo inclinato (45°-60°)		0.5			
Confluenza semplice con angolo inclinato (45°-60°)		0.5			
Diramazione con curve d'invito		2.0			
Confluenza con curve d'invito		2.0			

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Diametro esterno tubi acciaio		3/8"-1/2"	3/4"-1"	1 1/4"-2"	>2"
Tipo di resistenza localizzata	Simbolo				
Valvola di intercettazione dritta		10.0	8.0	7.0	6.0
Valvola di intercettazione inclinata		5.0	4.0	3.0	3.0
Saracinesca a passaggio ridotto		1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6
Saracinesca a passaggio totale		0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Valvola a sfera a passaggio ridotto		1.6	1.0	0.8	0.6
Valvola a sfera a passaggio totale		0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Valvola a farfalla		3.5	2.0	1.5	1.0
Valvola a ritegno		3.0	2.0	1.0	1.0
Valvola per corpo scaldante tipo dritto		8.5	7.0	6.0	—
Valvola per corpo scaldante tipo a squadra		4.0	4.0	3.0	—
Detentore dritto		1.5	1.5	1.0	—
Detentore a squadra		1.0	1.0	0.5	—
Valvola a quattro vie		6.0		4.0	
Valvola a tre vie		10.0		8.0	
Passaggio attraverso un radiatore		3.0			
Passaggio attraverso una caldaia		3.0			



## equivalent length

### virtual length of pipe

$$L_{tot} = L + \sum L_E$$

$L_{tot}$  virtual length of pipe

$L$  real length of pipe

$L_E$  equivalent length

### total pressure losses

$$\Delta z = L_{tot} \cdot r$$



## direct method

$$\Delta p_c = \xi \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \rho \cdot u^2$$

$$\Delta p_c = r \cdot L_E$$

$$r = \xi \cdot \frac{\rho \cdot u^2}{2 \cdot D}$$

$$L_E = \frac{\xi \cdot D}{F_A}$$

# pressure loss in valves

## Flow coefficient $K_v$

$$G = K_v \sqrt{\Delta p} \quad G \text{ [m}^3\text{/h]; } \Delta p \text{ [bar]}$$

## for reduced flow rates and pressures $K_{v0,01}$

$$G = K_{v0,01} \sqrt{\Delta p \cdot 100} \quad G \text{ [l/h]; } \Delta p \text{ [bar]}$$

$K_v$  volumetric flow rate in m<sup>3</sup>/h obtained with  $\Delta p = 1$  bar.

$K_{v0,01}$  volumetric flow rate in l/h with  $\Delta p = 0,01$  bar.

# pressure loss in valves

imperial units

Flow coefficient  $C_v$

$$G = C_v \sqrt{\Delta p} \quad G \text{ [GPM]; } \Delta p \text{ [psi]}$$

$C_v$  volumetric flow rate in gpm obtained with  $\Delta p = 1$  psi.

gpm gallon per minute

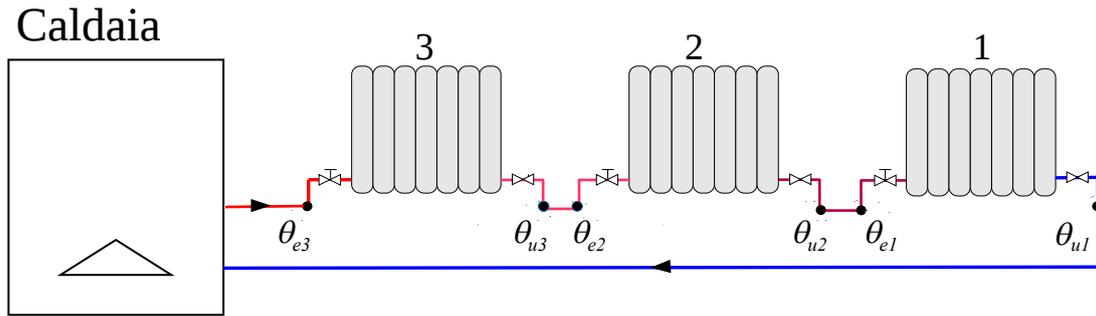
psi pounds square inch, 1 psi = 6894.8 Pa

# pipe layout

There are several ways to connect heating terminals to the generator: for domestic plants, 3 layouts are mainly used:

- **one pipe**
- **two pipes**
- **manifold**, dual distribution manifolds (also called “modul”)

# one pipe distribution



## Temperature

$$\Delta\theta_{a3} = (\theta_{e3} + \theta_{u3}) / 2 - \theta_{aria}$$

$$\Delta\theta_{a2} = (\theta_{e2} + \theta_{u2}) / 2 - \theta_{aria}$$

$$\Delta\theta_{a1} = (\theta_{e1} + \theta_{u1}) / 2 - \theta_{aria}$$

$$\Delta\theta_{a3} > \Delta\theta_{a2} > \Delta\theta_{a1}$$



# one pipe distribution

## Characteristics

- low installation cost
- requires special attention in connecting radiators
- four way valves or bypass
- temperature drop computed on the whole ring
- the temperature of the radiator changes along the ring
- requires high flow rates to minimize the temperature differences



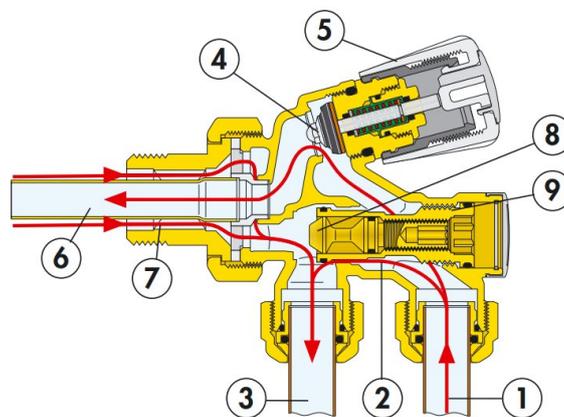
# bypass

- il bypass allows the fluid to pass over each radiator
- two flows, one in the radiator and the other in the bypass



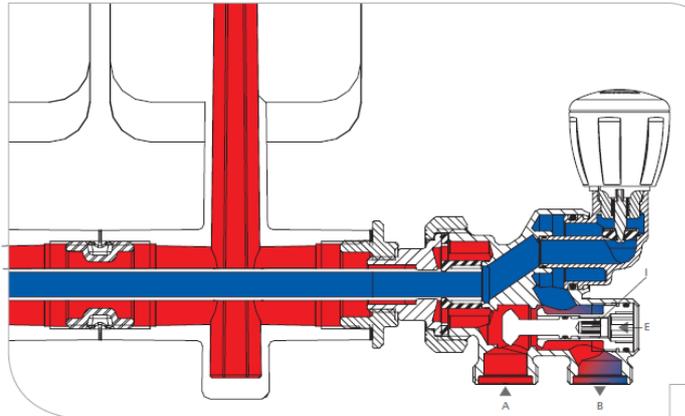
# four way valve

- allows to regulate the flow inside the radiator.
- again two flows can be identified, one in the radiator and the other in the bypass of the valve.

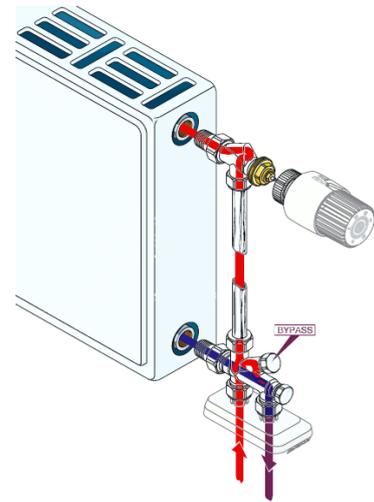


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# four way valve



Giacomini



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# pipe sizing

each circuit is analyzed at once:

- 1 heat  $\Phi_A$  heat exchanged along the whole ring it is the sum of the heat exchanged by each  $\Phi_T$  heat emitter (radiator or fan coil).

$$\Phi_A = \sum_J \Phi_T$$

- 2 selection of  $\Delta\theta_A$ , temperature difference, between 10 and 15 K.
- 3 compute **mass flow rate**,  $G_A$ :

$$G_A = \frac{\Phi_A}{c \cdot \Delta\theta_A}$$

- 4 with the mass or volumetric flow rate select pipe diameters

once sized the pipes compute **totale loss**:

$$\Delta p_A = r_A \cdot L_A + \sum_i \Delta p_i + \sum_j \xi_j \cdot \rho \cdot \frac{v_A^2}{2}$$

$\Delta p_A$  total loss of the ring

$r_A$  pressure loss for unit length

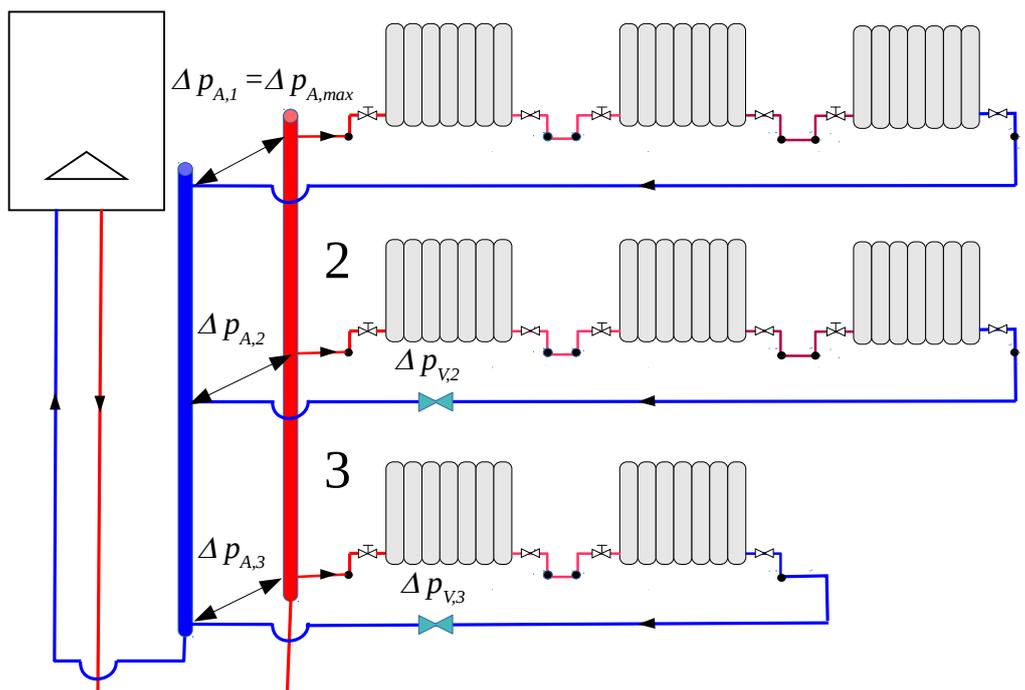
$L_A$  pipe length of ring

$\Delta p_i$  pressure loss for each emitter

$\xi_j$  pressure loss coefficient

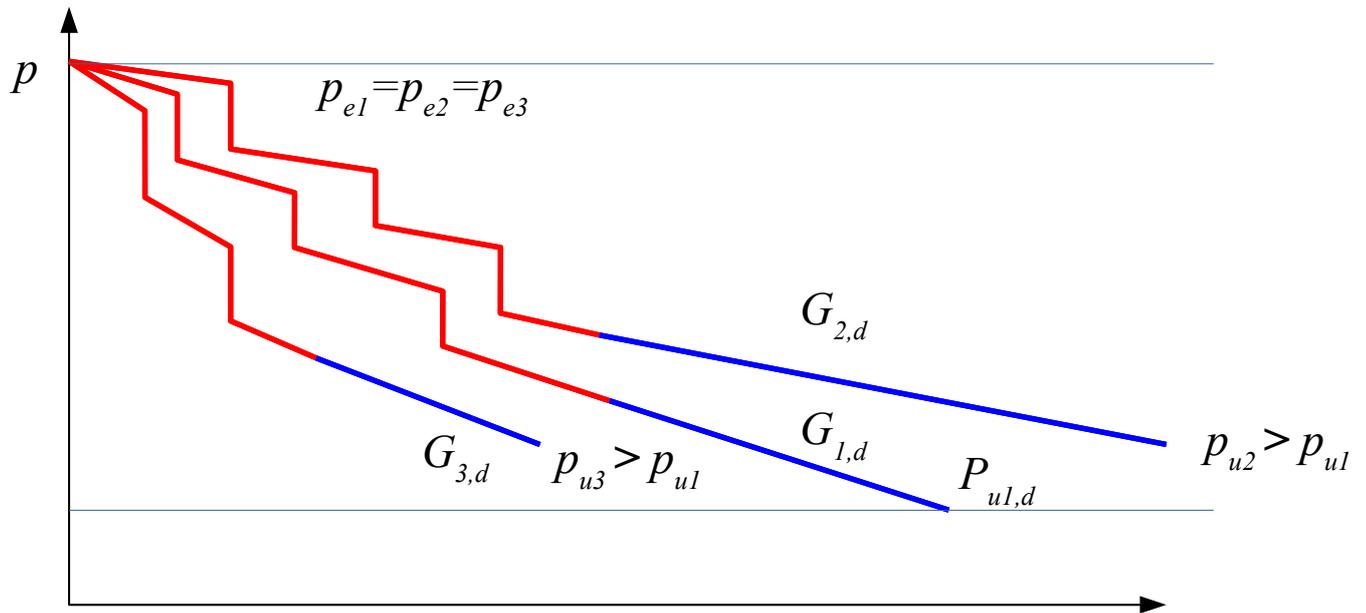
$v_A$  fluid velocity

## layout with additional circuits



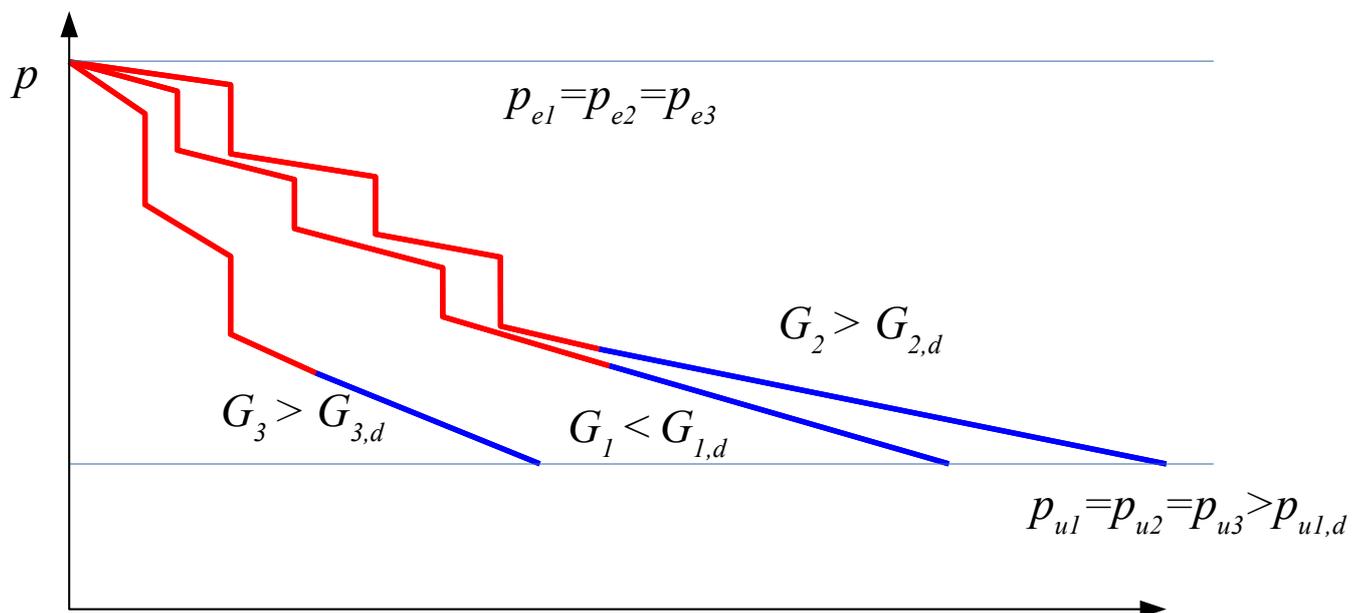
# One pipe circuits in parallel

Design pressure distribution



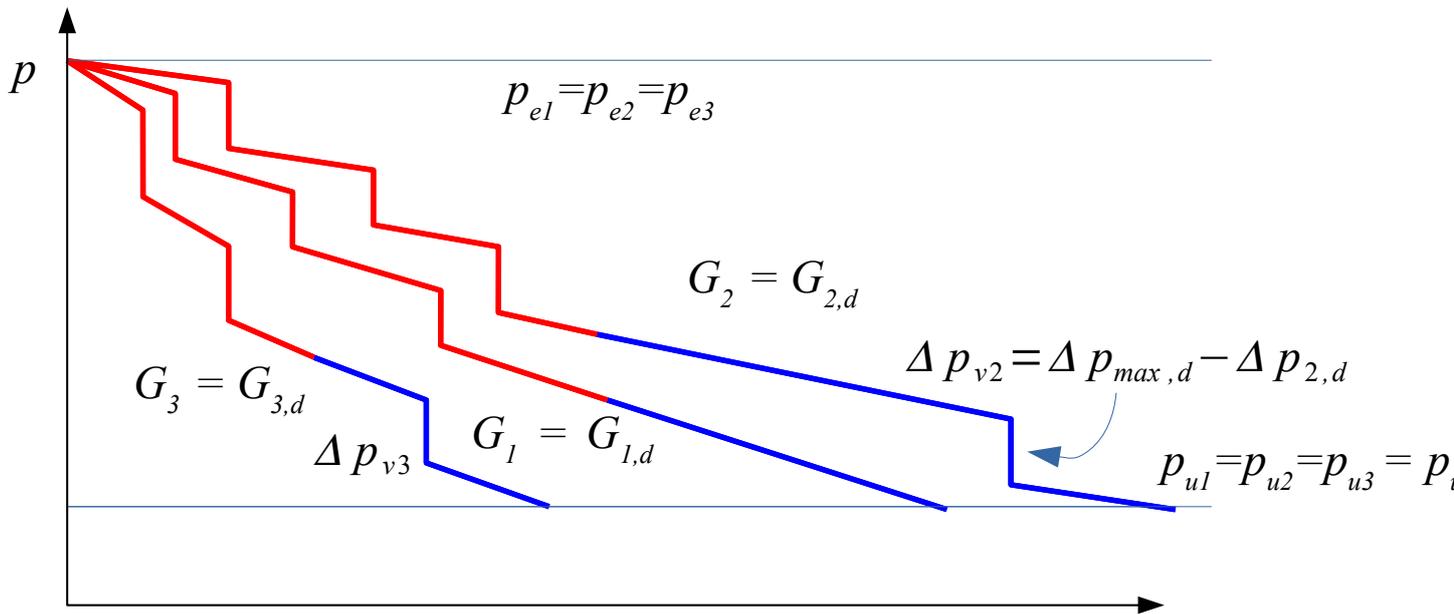
# One pipe circuits in parallel

Design pressure distribution



# One pipe circuits in parallel

Design pressure distribution, with additional balancing valves



# Sizing different rings in parallel

- pressure losses are different for each ring:
- Additional pressure loss  $\Delta P_V$  for the rings with lower pressure loss

$$\Delta p_{V,i} = \Delta p_{A,max} - \Delta p_{A,i}$$

- compute the  $k_v$  or the  $k_{v001}$  of the balancing valve

$$K_{V,i} = \frac{G_i}{\sqrt{\Delta P_{V,i}}}$$

- Without valves, the fluid flow is large in the rings with lower pressure loss.

# Change of flow rate with different pressures

Simple formula for computing the flow rate with different pressure losses

$$r = \frac{\Delta p}{L} = F_a \frac{1}{D} \rho \frac{u^2}{2}$$

tubi di media scabrezza

$$F_a = 0,07 Re^{-0,13} D^{-0,14} \sim u^{-0,13}$$

$$\Delta p \sim u^{1,87}$$

$$G \sim u \sim \Delta p^{\frac{1}{1,87}}$$

$$G' = G \left( \frac{\Delta p'}{\Delta p} \right)^{\left( \frac{1}{1,87} \right)}$$

considering possible fittings

$$G' = G \left( \frac{\Delta p'}{\Delta p} \right)^{0,525}$$

## Two pipe systems

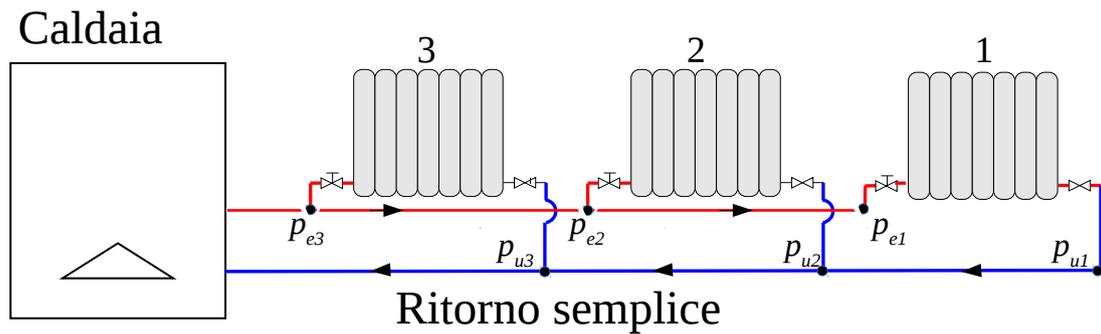
### Direct Return

- classical distribution
- used together with other distribution systems
- layout requires balancing of flow rates
- heat emitters near the generator are subjected to higher pressures differences
- balancing valves are required

### reverse return

- classical distribution
- used together with other distribution systems
- In a reverse-return system, the piping lengths for each branch circuit, including the main and branch pipes, are almost equal
- pressure difference is almost constant
- higher pipe length, cost and space problems

## two pipes direct return



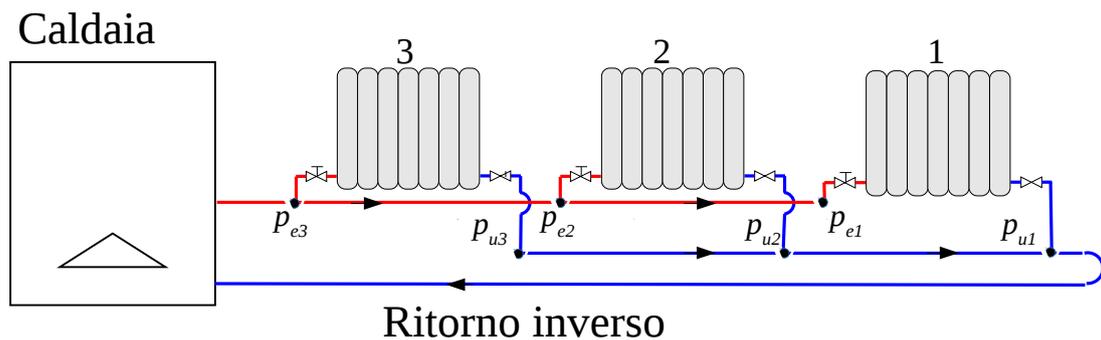
### differential pressure

$$p_{e3} > p_{e2} > p_{e1}$$

$$p_{u3} < p_{u2} < p_{u1}$$

$$\Delta p_3 = (p_{e3} - p_{u3}) > \Delta p_2 = (p_{e2} - p_{u2}) > \Delta p_1 = (p_{e1} - p_{u1})$$

## two pipes reverse return



### available differential pressure

$$p_{e3} > p_{e2} > p_{e1}$$

$$p_{u3} > p_{u2} > p_{u1}$$

$$\Delta p_3 = (p_{e3} - p_{u3}) \simeq \Delta p_2 = (p_{e2} - p_{u2}) \simeq \Delta p_1 = (p_{e1} - p_{u1})$$

# two pipes direct return

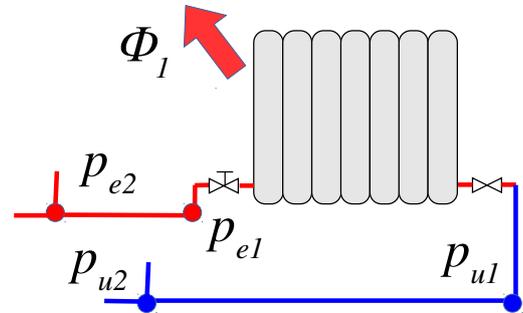
## sizing and balancing

### first terminal

- 1 compute flow rate and pipe diameter
- 2 size the terminal computing design pressure loss  $\Delta p_{1,d}$

$$G_1 = \frac{\Phi_1}{c_l \cdot (\theta_{e1} - \theta_{u1})}$$

$$\Delta p_1 = r_1 \cdot L_1 + \sum_j \xi_{1,j} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \rho \cdot u_1^2$$



# two pipes direct return

## sizing and balancing

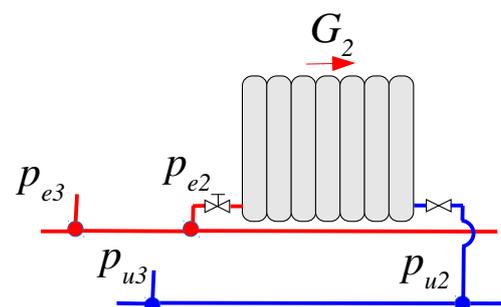
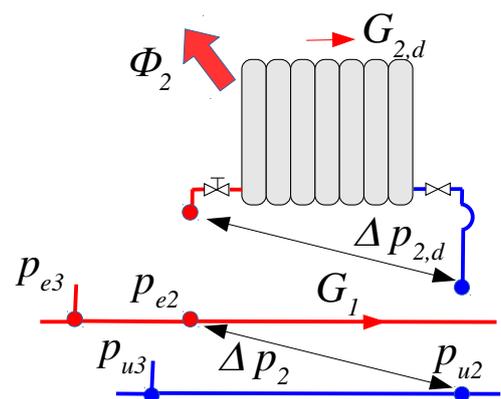
### second terminal

- 1 compute available pressure difference
- 2 size the terminal computing the design pressure loss  $\Delta p_{2,d}$
- 3 balnce the system using the available pressure difference  $\Delta p$
- 4 if the new flow rate is too large, add an additional pressure loss  $\Delta p_{v,2}$

$$\Delta p_2 = \Delta p_1 + r_{21} \cdot L_{21} + \sum_j \xi_{21,j} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \rho \cdot u_{21}^2$$

$$G_2 = G_{d,2} \cdot \left( \frac{\Delta p_2}{\Delta p_{d,2}} \right)^{0.525}$$

$$\Delta p_{v,2} = \Delta p_2 - \Delta p_{2,d}$$

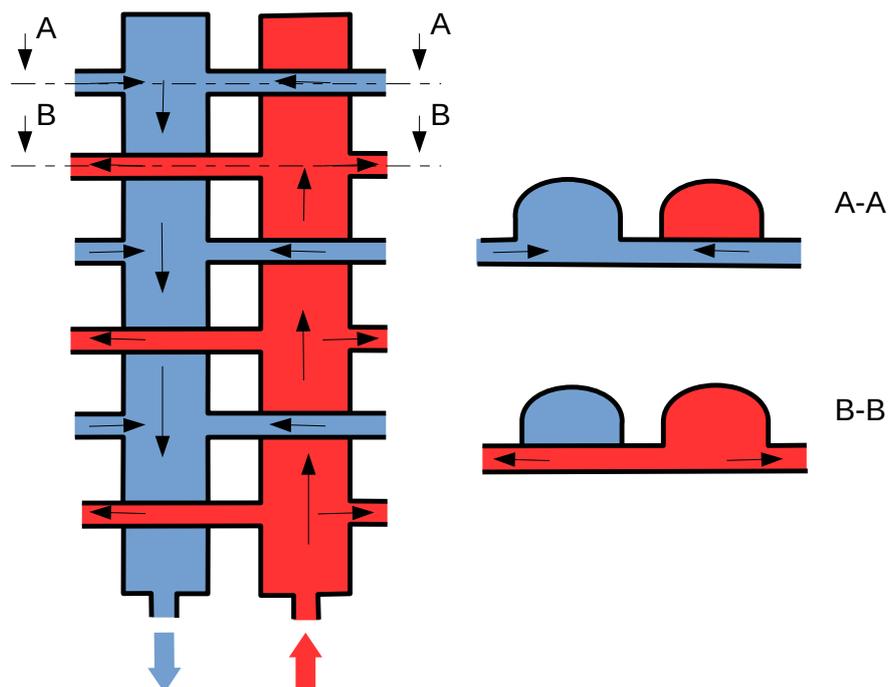




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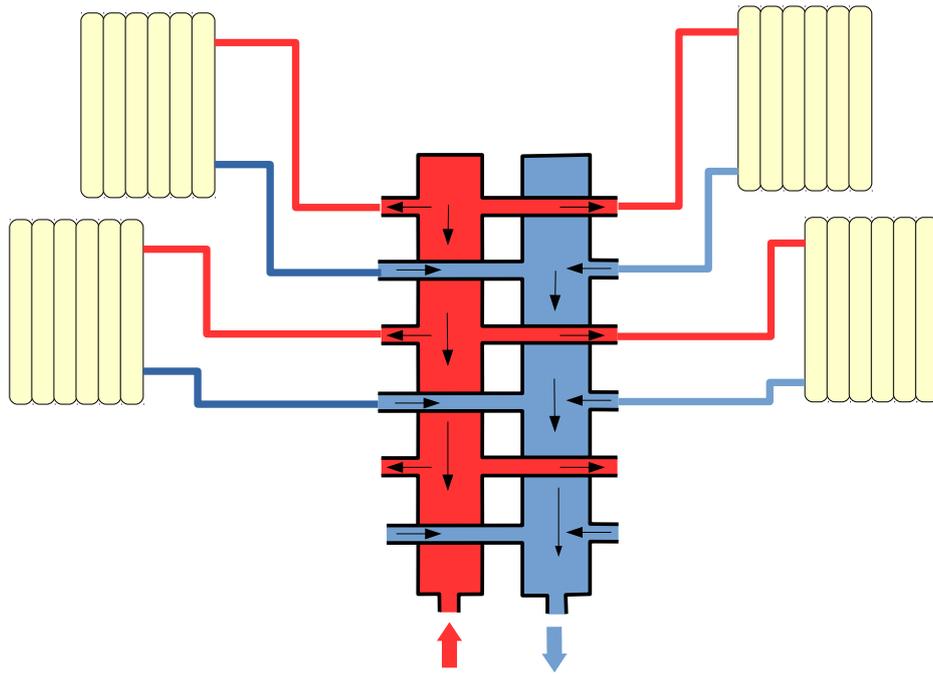
- used in new installations
- terminals connected in parallel
- sizing similar to the two pipes system
- requires balancing for correct function

# co-planar manifold



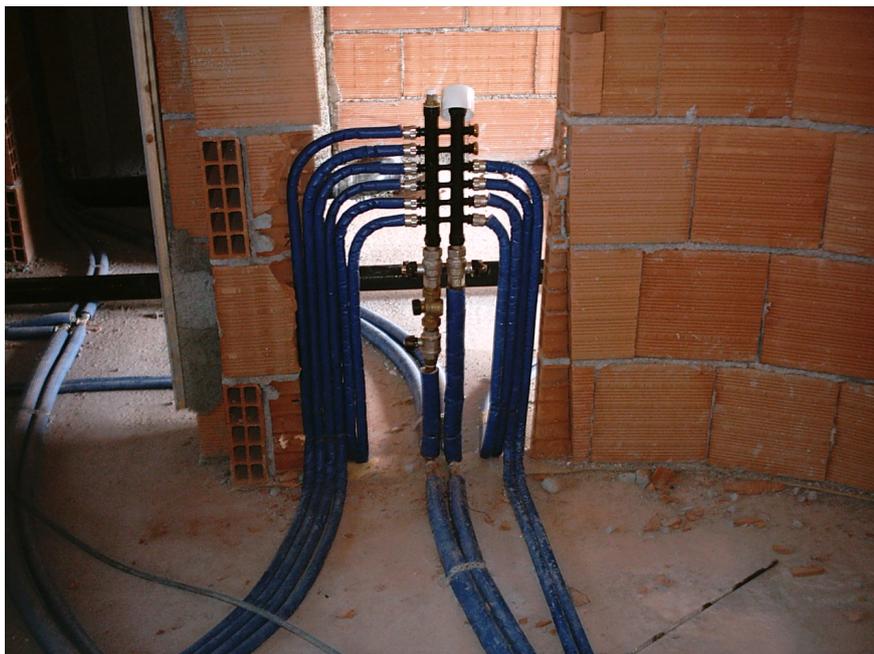
# co-planar manifold

Plant system

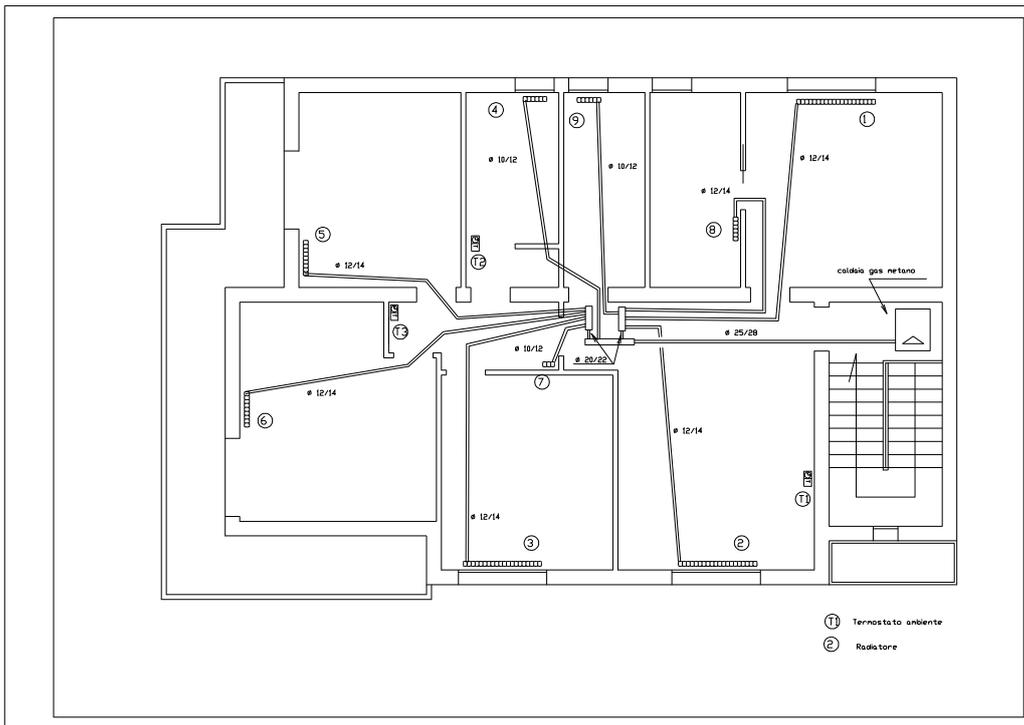


# Co-planar manifold

example



# co-planar manifold



# co-planar manifold

## Sizing

### fixed pipe diameter

- Pipe diameter is fixed
- each terminal must be balanced
- different flow rates and different temperature differences
- size the terminals using the mean temperature difference

### sizing with predefined diameter and temperature difference

- set pipe diameter
- balance each terminal
- compute the additional pressure loss
- the pressure loss can be obtained with a different pipe diameter

# Radiator valves and lockshields

- Radiators are equipped with valves and lockshield
- lockshield can be used to balance water rings
- radiator valves can be either manual or with thermostatic control heads

## manual control

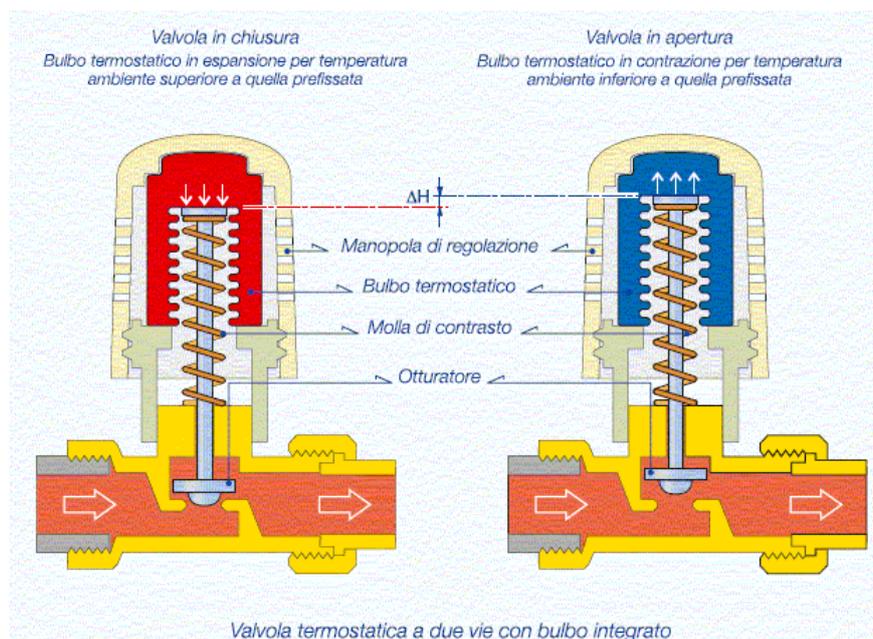
- the position of an obturator sets the pressure loss
- they are used to open or close a circuit, it is not possible to control the temperature

## thermostatic control

- the opening of the obturator is controlled by a thermostatic head
- when the room temperature approaches the set value the obturator closes
- this can lead to unbalanced plants



# Thermostatic valve head

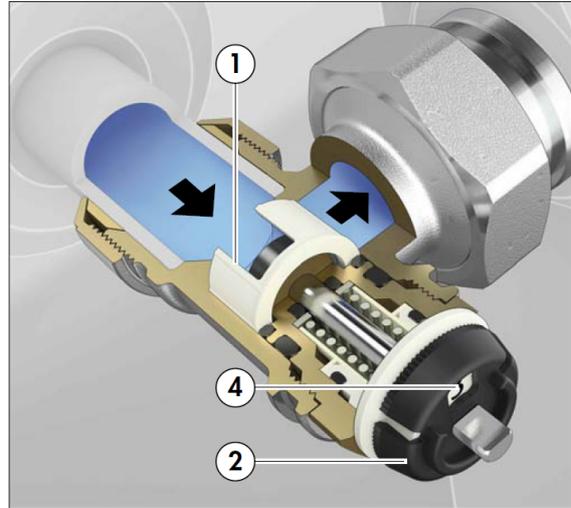
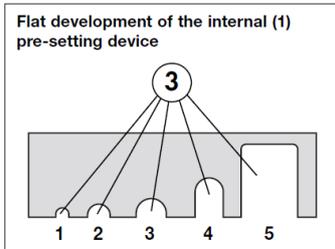


## Operating principle

The convertible radiator valves are equipped with an internal device (1) for pre-setting the head loss hydraulic characteristics. Specific passage cross sections (3) can be selected by means of the control nut (2), in order to generate the required resistance to the motion of the medium.

Each passage cross section determines a specific Kv value for the creation of the head loss, which corresponds to a setting position on a graduated scale (4).

Depending on the position in the system, the valve can be pre-set so as to obtain an immediate balancing of the hydraulic circuit, valid for both manual and thermostatic operation.

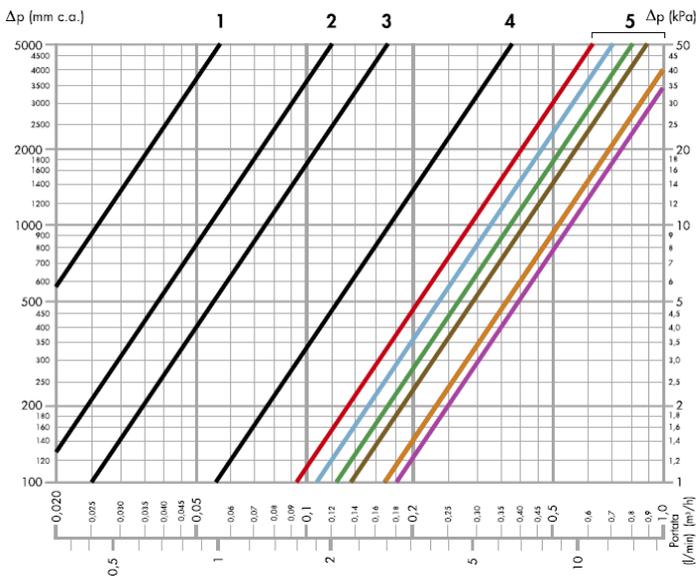


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# Characteristic pressure loss diagram

## Manual control

Valvole termostattabili preregolabili con manopola manuale



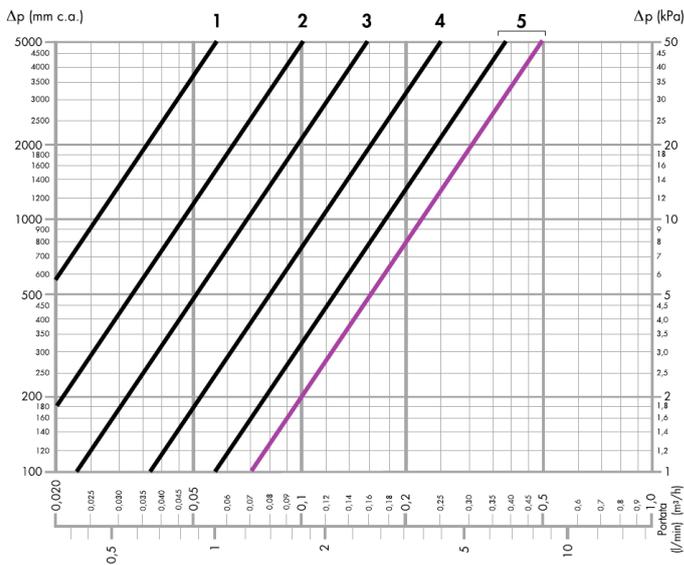
Posizione di prerogolazione	Kvs ( $m^3/h$ )					
	3/8" squadrata	3/8" dritta	1/2" squadrata	1/2" dritta	3/4" squadrata	3/4" dritta
1	0,08	0,08	0,08	0,09	0,12	0,12
2	0,17	0,17	0,17	0,19	0,22	0,22
3	0,25	0,25	0,25	0,27	0,41	0,41
4	0,55	0,55	0,55	0,56	0,95	0,93
5	1,30	0,90	1,40	1,00	1,80	1,70

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# Characteristic pressure loss diagram

Thermostatic control

Valvole termostattabili preregolabili con comando termostatico banda proporzionale 2K



Posizione di prerogolazione	Kv (m <sup>3</sup> /h) (Banda proporzionale 2K)**					
	3/8" squadra	3/8" dritta	1/2" squadra	1/2" dritta	3/4" squadra	3/4" dritta
1	0,08	0,08	0,09	0,09	0,12	0,12
2	0,15	0,15	0,16	0,16	0,20	0,20
3	0,22	0,22	0,23	0,23	0,32	0,32
4	0,35	0,35	0,36	0,36	0,50	0,50
5	0,50	0,50	0,55	0,55	0,72	0,72

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## Sizing with predefined pipe diameter and temperature difference

### procedure

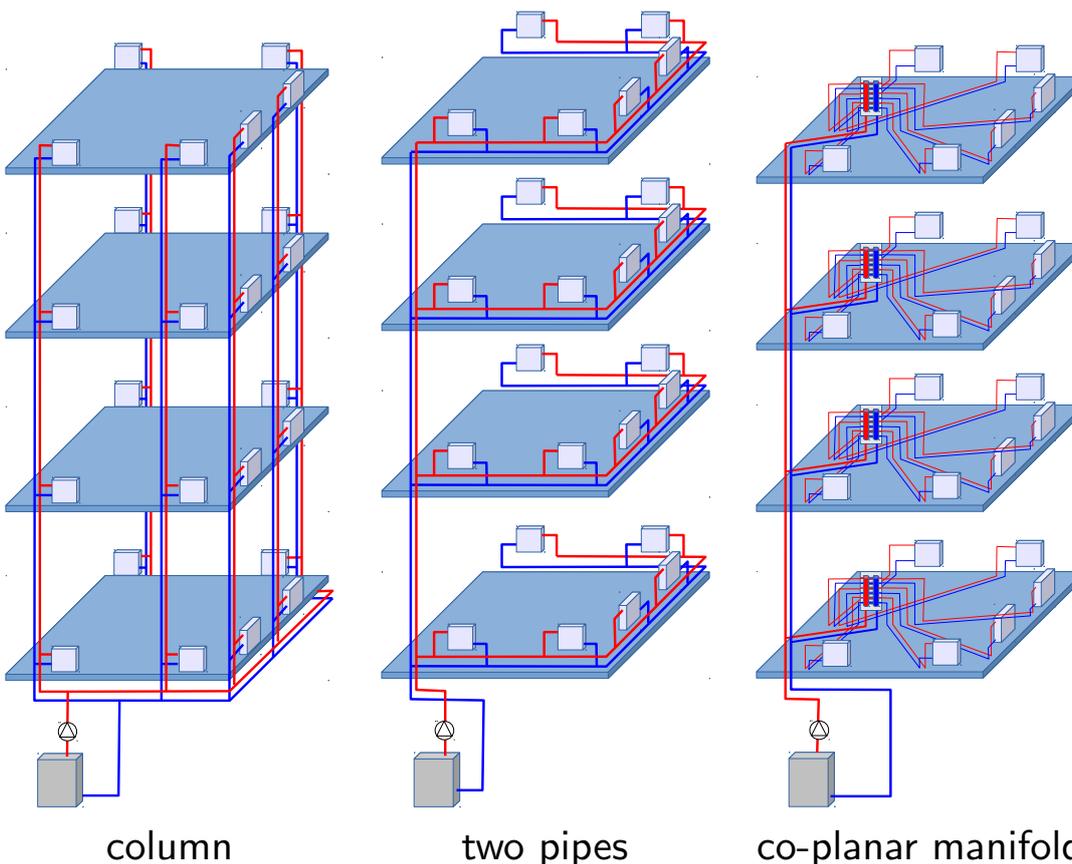
- 1 for each circuit compute the flow rate
- 2 define pipe diameter and fluid velocity  $u_j$
- 3 compute pressure losses, do not consider the pressure loss of valves
- 4 with preset valves, add the pressure loss with full open valve
- 5 for each circuit determine the required pressure loss
- 6 find the set position of the valve

# Sizing with predefined pipe diameter and temperature difference

## procedure

- 1  $G_j = \frac{\Phi_j}{c_w \cdot \Delta\theta\rho}$  design flow
- 2  $u_j = \frac{G_j \cdot 4}{d_j^2 \cdot \pi}$  fluid velocity
- 3  $\Delta p_{c,j} = r_j \cdot L_j + \sum_k \frac{1}{2} \cdot \rho \cdot u_j^2$  circuit pressure loss
- 4  $\Delta p_{tot,max} = \Delta p_{c,max} + \Delta p_V$  maximum pressure loss
- 5  $\Delta p_{V,j} = \Delta p_{tot,max} - \Delta p_{c,j}$  pressure loss for each valve
- 6  $k_{V,j} = \frac{G_j}{\sqrt{\Delta p_{V,j}}}$  using a diagram  $\Delta p_{V,j}$

## Vertical distribution plants



# Hot boiler room

## Devices

### Boiler Room $\Phi > 35$ kW

- reduced specifications nella *Raccolta R* collection from ISPESL (now INAIL)
- Devices:
  - Security devices
  - protection devices
  - control devices

## devices following collection R ISPESL

### safety devices

- pressure relief valve
- Thermal relief valve
- Gas shutoff valve

### protection devices

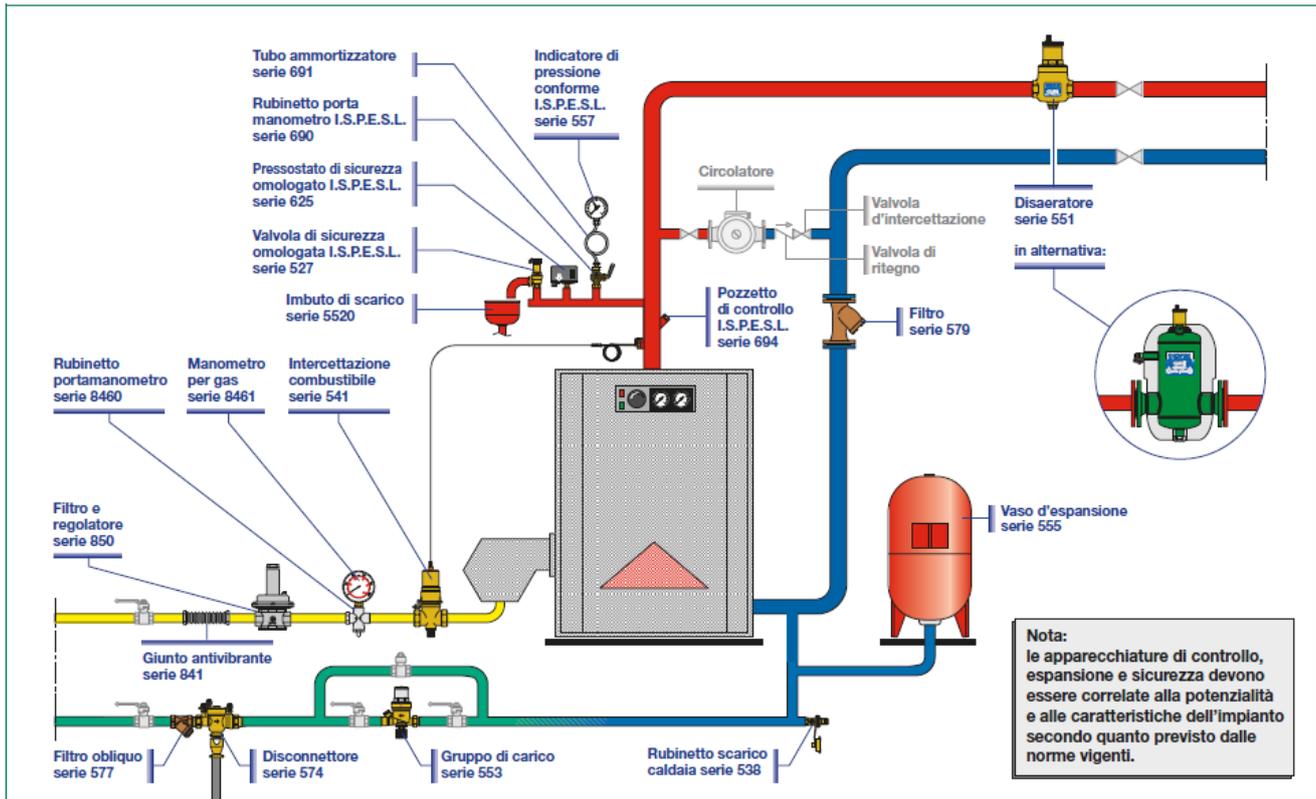
- control thermostat
- emergency shutdown thermostat
- emergency pressure shutdown
- low water pressure shutdown

### Control devices

- thermometers
- pressure gauge

# Boiler Room

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## expansion tank

### kind of expansion tank

- the main purpose is to compensate the change of volume
- they may be :
  - open
  - closed

### closed expansion tank

atmospheric with or without diaphragm;  
pressurized with or without diaphragm;

# expansion tank

## expansion volume

$$E = \frac{V_A \cdot n}{100}$$

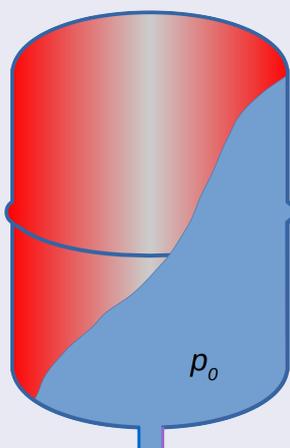
$V_A$  water content

$$n = 0,31 + 3,9 \times 10^{-4} \cdot t_m^2$$

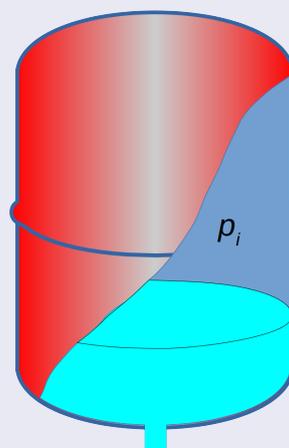
$t_m$  maximum temperature in °C

# expansion tank

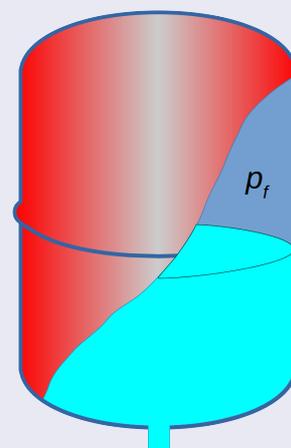
## without diaphragm



a)



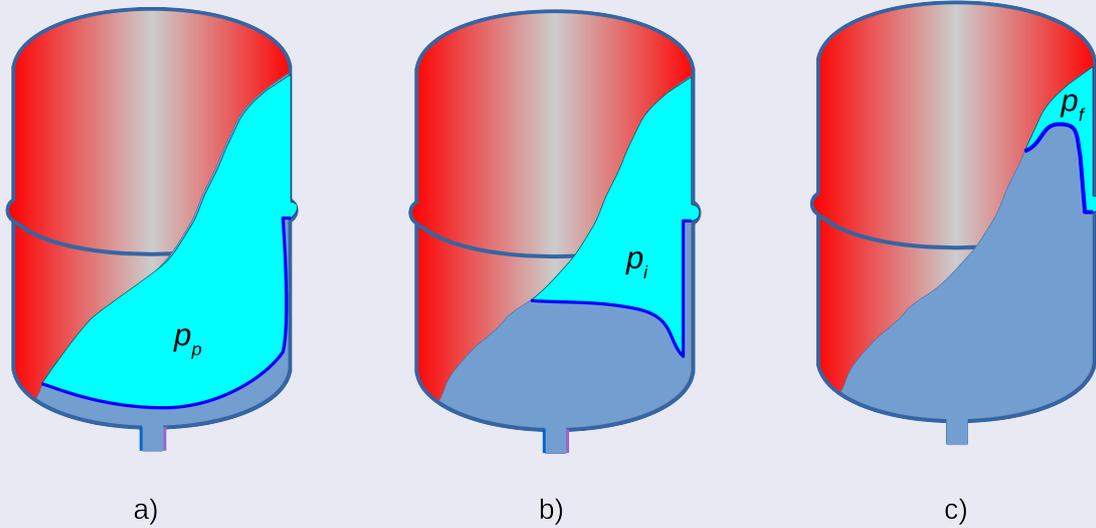
b)



c)

# expansion tank

with diaphragm



# Sizing an expansion tank

without diaphragm

$$V_v = \frac{E}{\frac{p_o}{p_i} - \frac{p_o}{p_f}}$$

$E$  expansion volume

$p_o$  atmospheric pressure

$p_i$  initial atmospheric pressure

$p_f$  set pressure of pressure relief valve

# sizing expansion tanks

with diaphragm or bladder

$$p_0 \cdot V_0 = p_i \cdot V_i = p_f \cdot V_f$$

$$E = V_i - V_f$$

$$V_i = V_0 \cdot \frac{p_0}{p_i}$$

$$V_f = V_0 \cdot \frac{p_0}{p_f}$$

$$E = V_0 \cdot \left( \frac{p_0}{p_i} - \frac{p_0}{p_f} \right)$$

$$V_v = V_0 = \frac{E}{\frac{p_0}{p_i} - \frac{p_0}{p_f}}$$

# sizing expansion tanks

with diaphragm or bladder

$$V_v = \frac{E}{1 - \frac{p_p}{p_f}} \quad (1)$$

$E$  expansion volume

$p_p$  initial pressure

$p_f$  set pressure of pressure relief valve

# sizing expansion tanks

with diaphragm or bladder

$$p_p \cdot V_v = p_f \cdot V_f$$

$$E = V_v - V_f$$

$$V_f = V_v \cdot \frac{p_p}{p_f}$$

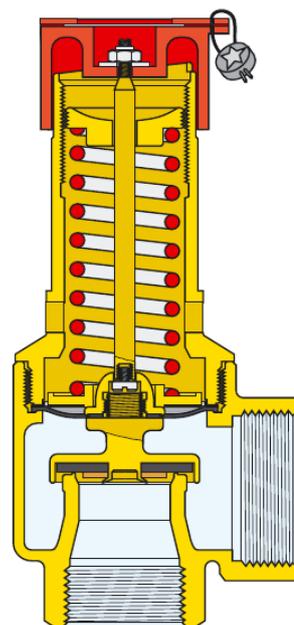
$$E = V_v \cdot \left(1 - \frac{p_p}{p_f}\right)$$

$$V_v = \frac{E}{1 - \frac{p_p}{p_f}}$$

# pressure relief valve

## How it works

- divert flow as the inlet pressure reaches the valve set pressure
- the nozzle discharge water vapour
- latent heat adsorbs the boiler heat input



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## some physics

$$\dot{m}_v \cdot r = \Phi_u$$

$$\Phi_u = \dot{m}_v \cdot r = \frac{\dot{V}}{v_v} \cdot r = \frac{w_{max}}{v_v} \cdot A \cdot r$$

$w_{max}$  nozzle maximum velocity;

$v_v$  water vapour specific volume

$A$  valve area section

$$A = \Phi_u \cdot \frac{v_v}{w_{max} \cdot r}$$

# Pressure relief valve

## Raccolta R

$$A = 0,005 \cdot \dot{m}_v \cdot \frac{Q}{0,9 \cdot K}$$

$Q$  discharge capacity [kg/h ]

$A$  minimum nozzle area square centimeters;

$\dot{m}_v$  water vapour mass flow [kg/h];

$F$  pressure factor, from table;

$K$  Valve efflux coefficient from certification.

### discharge pressure values from 0,5 to 12,5 bar

p	0,50	0,60	0,70	0,80	0,90	1,00	1,10	1,20	1,30	1,40	1,50	1,60	1,70
F	2,47	2,32	2,19	2,07	1,97	1,87	1,79	1,71	1,63	1,57	1,51	1,45	1,40
p	1,80	1,90	2,00	2,10	2,20	2,30	2,40	2,50	2,60	2,70	2,80	2,90	3,00
F	1,35	1,31	1,26	1,22	1,19	1,15	1,12	1,09	1,06	1,03	1,01	0,98	0,96
p	3,10	3,20	3,30	3,40	3,50	3,60	3,70	3,80	3,90	4,00	4,20	4,40	4,60
F	0,93	0,91	0,89	0,87	0,85	0,84	0,82	0,80	0,79	0,77	0,74	0,71	0,69
p	4,80	5,00	5,20	5,40	5,60	5,80	6,00	6,20	6,40	6,60	6,80	7,00	7,20
F	0,67	0,65	0,62	0,61	0,59	0,57	0,56	0,54	0,53	0,51	0,50	0,49	0,48
p	7,40	7,60	7,80	8,00	8,20	8,40	8,60	8,80	9,00	9,50	10,0	10,5	11,0
F	0,46	0,45	0,44	0,43	0,43	0,42	0,41	0,40	0,39	0,37	0,36	0,34	0,32
p	11,50	12,00	12,50										
F	0,32	0,30	0,29										

# Boiler Room

