

ASX 176

High Medium Pressure Gas Regulator





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We are in constant evolution to meet our customers' highest expectations in terms of quality and reliability.

Our aim is to be a step ahead of the competition, with customized technologies and an after-sale service program undertaken with the highest grade of professionalism.



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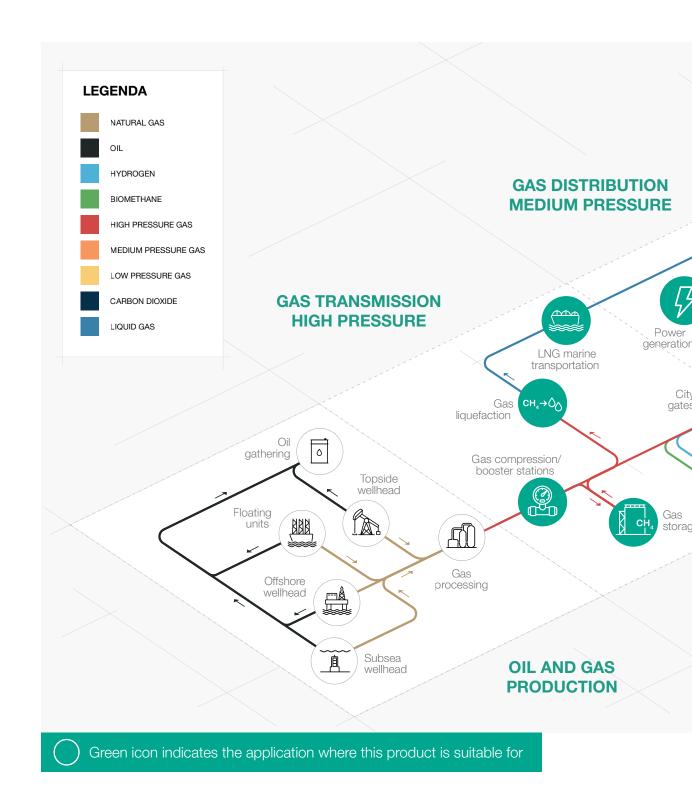
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Area of Application





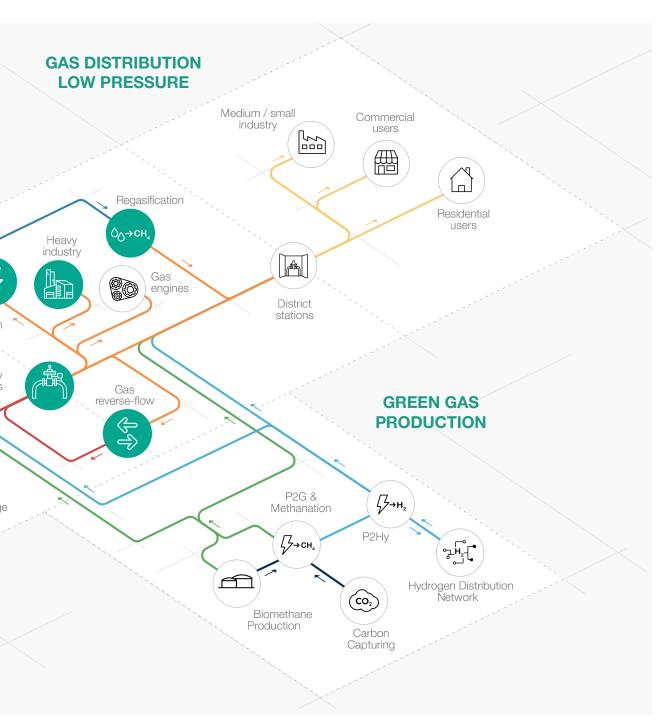


Figure 1 Area of Application Map



Introduction

ASX 176 is one of the **pilot-operated gas pressure regulators** designed and manufactured by Pietro Fiorentini.

This device is suitable for use with previously filtered non-corrosive gases, and it is mainly used for high-pressure transmission systems and for medium pressure natural gas distribution networks.

According to the European Standard EN 334, it is classified as Fail Close.

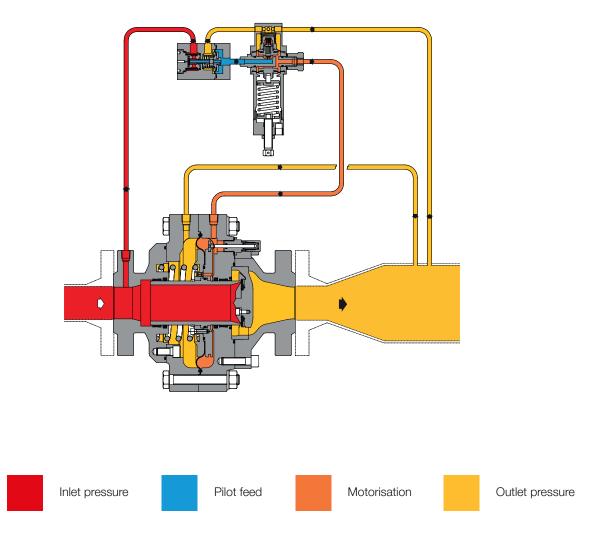


Figure 2 ASX 176



Features and Calibration ranges

ASX 176 is a **pilot-operated** device for high pressure and medium pressure with a unique **dynamic balancing system** which ensures an **outstanding turn down ratio** combined with an extremely **accurate outlet pressure control**.

This regulator is suitable to be used with previously filtered, non corrosive gases, in natural gas transmission and distribution networks as well as high load industrial application.

Set point adjustement of the regulator is achieved via a pilot, controlling the motorization pressure to the diaphragm chamber.

It is an axial flow regulator with higher capacity compared to the same size top entry body regulators.

The **body form factor** makes it very **reliable** for applications with high **elemental sulphur** presence in the gas stream.



Figure 3 ASX 176 with silencer LDB/176



Figure 4 ASX 176 with PM/176



ASX 176 competitive advantages



Balanced type



Operates with low differential pressure



High accuracy



High turn-down ratio



Built-in pilot filter



High capacity



High reliability vs elemental sulphur presence



Biomethane compatible and available with specific versions for full Hydrogen or blending

Features

Features	Values
Design pressure*	up to 10.2 MPa up to 102 barg
Ambient temperature*	from -20 °C to +60 °C from -4 °F to +140 °F
Inlet gas temperature range*	from -20 °C to +60 °C from -4 °F to +140 °F
Inlet pressure range bpu (MAOP)	from 0.08 to 10 MPa from 0.8 to 100 barg
Range of downstream pressure Wd	from 0.03 to 7.4 MPa from 0.3 to 74 barg
Available Accessories	LDB/176 Silencer, PM/176 Monitor, SSX/176 Slam shut
Minimum differential pressure	0.05 MPa 0.5 barg
Accuracy class AC	up to 1 (depending on working conditions)
Lock-up pressure class SG	up to 5 (depending on working conditions)
Nominal dimensions DN	DN 25 / 1"; DN 50 / 2"; DN 80 / 3"; DN 100 / 4"; DN 150 / 6"
Connections*	Class 300, 600 RF or RTJ according to ASME B16.5

(*) REMARK: Different functional features and/or extended temperature ranges available on request. Stated temperature ranges are the maximum for which the equipment's full performance, including accuracy, are fulfilled. Standard product may have a narrower range.

Table 1 Features



Materials and Approvals

Part	Material
Body	Steel ASTM A350 LF2
Plug	ASTM A 350 LF2 Nikel coated on sealing surface
Seat	Polimer / Nitril rubber vulcanized on a metal support
Diaphragm	Rubberized canvas (performed by hot-pressing process)
Sealing ring	Nitrile rubber
Compression fittings	In zinc-plated carbon steel according to DIN 2353; Stainless steel on request

REMARK: The materials indicated above refer to the standard models. Different materials can be provided according to specific needs.

Table 2 Materials

Construction Standards and Approvals

ASX 176 regulator is designed according to European standard EN 334. The regulator reacts in closing (Fail Close) according to EN 334.

The product is certified according to European Directive 2014/68/EU (PED). Leakage class: bubble tight, better than VIII according to ANSI/FCI 70-3.







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Pilot ranges and types

Time	Model	Onevetion	Range	e Wh	Spring Table
Туре	Wodei	Operation	MPa	barg	web link
Main pilot	204/A	Manual	0.03 - 4.3	0.3 - 43	<u>TT 433</u>
Main pilot	205/A	Manual	2 - 6	20 - 60	<u>TT 799</u>
Main pilot	207/A	Manual	4.1 - 7.4	41 - 74	<u>TT 1146</u>

Table 3 Settings table

Types of pilot adjustment				
Pilot type/A	Manual setting			
Pilot type/D	Electric remote setting control			
Pilot type/CS	Pneumatic remote setting control			
Pilot type/FIO	Smart unit for remote setting, monitoring, flow limitation			

Table 4 Pilot adjustment table

General link to the calibration tables: **PRESS HERE** or use the QR code:





Accessories

For the pressure regulators:

- Cg limiter
- Limit switches
- Position transmitter
- Silencer
- Slam shut valve
- Monitor

For the pilot circuit:

- R14/A/S preregulator for the high pressure circuit (differential pressure > 3.5 MPa | 35 barg)
- Heating cable for preheating pilot circuit
- Electrical heater PPH200
- Supplementary filter CF14 or CF14/D
- ATF 15 antifreeze

In-line Monitor

The in-line monitor is generally installed upstream of the active regulator.

Although the function of the monitor regulator is different, the two regulators are virtually identical from the point of view of their mechanical components.

The only difference is that monitor is set at a higher pressure than active regulator.

The Cg coefficient of the active regulator is the same, however during the sizing process, the differential pressure drop generated by the fully open in-line monitor shall be considered. As a general practise to incorporate this effect, a 20% reduction of the Active regulator's Cg value can be applied.

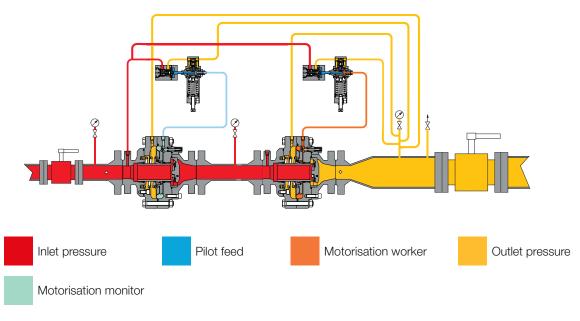


Figure 5 ASX 176 with in-line monitor setup



PM/176 monitor

This emergency regulator (monitor) is attached onto the body of the main regulator. Both pressure regulators, therefore, use the same valve body, although they have independent actuators, pilots and valve seats.

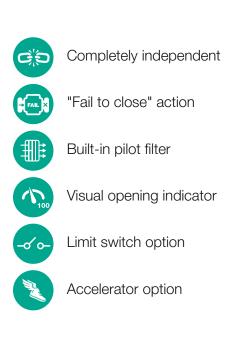
The monitor is in the fully open position during normal operation of the active regulator and takes over on in the event of its failure.

The functional characteristics of the PM/176 monitor are the same of the basic regulator ASX 176.

The Cg coefficients of regulator having an incorporated monitor is 16% lower than those for standard version.

This solution allows the construction of pressure reduction lines with compact dimensions.

Another great advantage offered by the incorporated monitor regulator is that it can be installed at any time, even on an existing regulator, but it requires changes to the pipework.



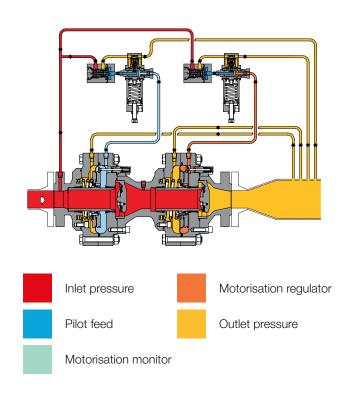


Figure 6 ASX 176 with PM/176



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Table 5 Pilot adjustment table

The monitor regulator can be equipped with an additional pilot called "accelerator" to enable a quick response time during the monitor take over. According to PED the accelerator is required on the monitor when acting as a safety accessory.

T	B.O. od o I	Onevetien	Range	e Wh	Spring Table
Туре	Model	Operation	MPa	barg	web link
Accelerator	M/A	Manual	0.03 - 2	0.3 - 20	<u>TT 354</u>
Accelerator	M/A1	Manual	2 - 6.3	20 - 63	<u>TT 892</u>
Accelerator	M/A2	Manual	4 - 7.5	40 - 75	<u>TT 892</u>

Table 6 Accelerator adjustment table

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LDB/176 silencer

Whenever certain noise limit is desired, an additional silencer allows to considerably reduce the noise level (dBA).

ASX 176 pressure regulator can be supplied with an **incorporated silencer** in either the standard version or version with incorporated slam shut or monitor regulator.

The high efficiency noise absorption takes place at the point where the noise is generated, thus preventing its propagation.

With the built-in silencer, the Cg valve coefficient is 10% lower than the corresponding version without.

Given the modular arrangement of the regulator, the silencer may be retrofitted to both standard ASX 176 version as well as those with incorporated slam shut or monitor, **without** any need to modify the main piping.

Pressure reduction and control operate in the same manner as in the standard version.

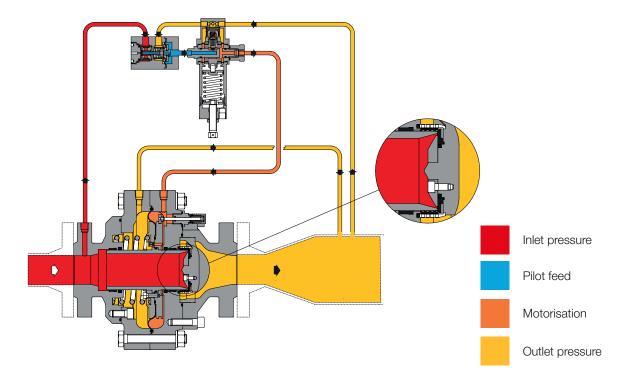


Figure 7 ASX 176 with LDB/176 silencer



The charts below represent the silencer effectiveness based on some common reference conditions for 2", 4" and 6". For actual calculations at specific desired conditions please refer to the online sizing tool or contact your closest Pietro Fiorentini representative.



Chart 1 ASX 176's silencer efficiency charts



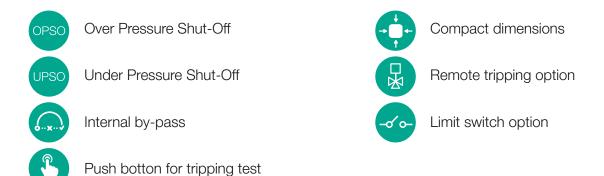
SSX/176 slam shut

ASX 176 pressure regulator offers the possibility of installing an **SSX/176 incorporated** slam shut valve, depending on the regulator size, and this can be done either during the manufacturing process or be retrofitted in the field.

Retrofitting can be done without modifying the pressure regulator assembly, but it requires piping modification.

With the built-in slam shut, the Cg valve coefficients is 20% lower than the corresponding version without.

The main characteristics of this device are:



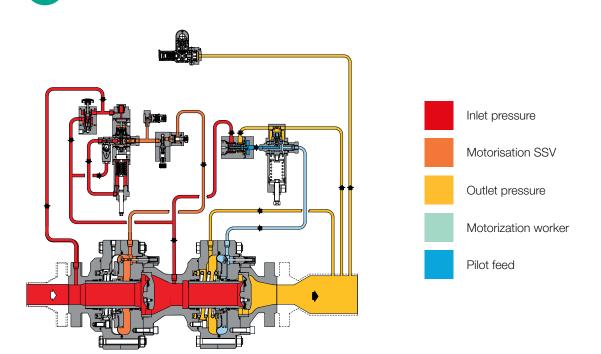


Figure 8 ASX 176 with SSX/176



Pressure switch types and ranges						
CCV Turns	Madal	Onevetion	Rango	e Wh	Spring Table	
SSV Type	Model	Operation	MPa	barg	web link	
SSX/176	103M	OPSO	0.2 - 2.2	2 - 22	TT 1331	
33/1/10		UPSO	0.02 - 0.8	0.2 - 8	11 1331	
SSX/176	104M	OPSO	1.5 - 4.5	15 - 45	TT 1331	
33/1/10	104101	UPSO	0.16 - 1.8	1.6 - 18	11 1331	
SSV/176	SSX/176 105M	OPSO	3 - 9	30 - 90	TT 1331	
33/1/10		UPSO	0.3 -4.4	3 - 44	11 1331	

Table 7 Setting table

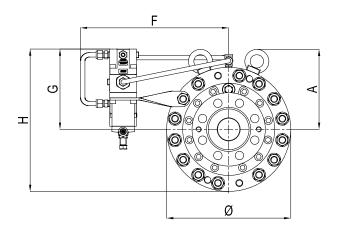
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Weights and Dimensions

ASX 176 with or without silencer LDB/176



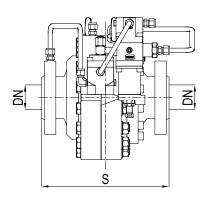


Figure 9 ASX 176 dimensions

Weights and Dimensions (for other connections please contact your closest Pietro Fiorentini representative)					
	[mm] inches	[mm] inches	[mm] inches	[mm] inches	[mm] inches
Size (DN)	25 1"	50 2"	80 3"	100 4"	150 6"
S - ANSI 300	197 7.76"	267 10.51"	317 12.48"	368 14.49"	473 18.62"
S - ANSI 600	210 8.27"	286 11.26"	336 13.23"	394 15.51"	508 20"
Ø	279 10.98"	279 10.98"	359 14.13"	440 17.32"	550 21.65"
Α	180 7.09"	180 7.09"	223 8.78"	263 10.35"	318 12.52"
F	335 13.19"	335 13.19"	375 14.76"	409 16.10"	465 18.31"
G	181 7.13"	181 7.13"	186 7.32"	203 7.99"	201 7.91"
Н	321 12.64"	321 12.64"	365 14.37"	425 16.73"	476 18.74"
Tubing connections		Øe 10 x Ø	ði 8 (on request impe	erial sizing)	

Weight	Kg Ibs	Kg Ibs	Kg Ibs	Kg lbs	Kg lbs
ANSI 300	55 121	72 159	123 271	214 472	333 734
ANSI 600	55 121	74 163	126 278	225 496	365 805

Table 8 Weight and dimensions



ASX 176 + PM/176 with or without silencer LDB/176

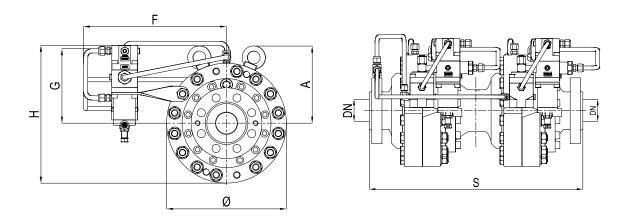


Figure 10 ASX 176 + PM/176 dimensions

Weights and Dimensions (for other connections please contact your closest Pietro Fiorentini representative)						
	[mm] inches	[mm] inches	[mm] inches	[mm] inches	[mm] inches	
Size (DN)	25 1"	50 2"	80 3"	100 4"	150 6"	
S - ANSI 300	372 14.65"	516 20.31"	581 22.87"	694 27.32"	901 35.47"	
S - ANSI 600	385 15.16"	535 21.06"	600 23.62"	720 28.34"	936 36.85"	
Ø	279 10.98"	279 10.98"	359 14.13"	440 17.32"	550 21.65"	
Α	180 7.09"	180 7.09"	223 8.78"	263 10.35"	318 12.52"	
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Tubing connections		Øe 10 x Øi 8 (on request imperial sizing)				

Weight	Kg lbs	Kg Ibs	Kg lbs	Kg lbs	Kg lbs
ANSI 300	110 242	137 302	239 527	425 937	656 1446
ANSI 600	110 242	139 306	242 534	445 981	730 1609

Table 9 Weight and dimensions



ASX 176 + SSX/176 with or without silencer LDB/176

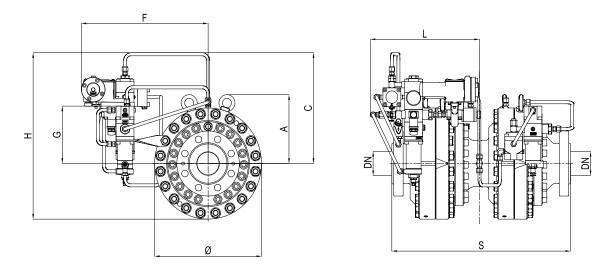


Figure 11 ASX 176 + SSX/176 dimensions

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C	346 13.62"	346 13.62"	352 13.85"	369 14.52"	388 15.27"
F	348 13.70"	348 13.70"	389 15.31"	425 16.73"	460 18.11"
G	181 7.13"	181 7.13"	186 7.32"	203 7.99"	201 7.91"
Н	489 19.25"	489 19.25"	532 20.94"	590 23.22"	653 25.70"
L	284 11.18"	308 12.12"	365 14.37"	443 17.44"	523 20.59"
Tubing connections	Øe 10 x Øi 8 (on request imperial sizing)				

Weight	Kg Ibs	Kg lbs	Kg lbs	Kg lbs	Kg lbs
ANSI 300	115 253	142 313	244 537	429 945	661 1457
ANSI 600	115 253	144 317	246 542	449 990	735 1620

Table 10 Weight and dimensions



Sizing and Cg

In general, the choice of a regulator is made based on the calculation of the flow rate determined by the use of formulae using the flow rate coefficients (Cg) and the form factor (K1) as indicated by the EN 334 standard.

Flow rate coefficient					
Nominal size	25	50	80	100	150
Inches	1"	2"	3"	4"	6"
Cg	630	2300	5000	8800	19000
K1	145	145	145	145	145

Table 11 Flow rate coefficient

For sizing **PRESS HERE** or use the QR code:



Note: In case you do not have the proper credentials to access, feel free to contact your closest Pietro Fiorentini representative.

In general, the online sizing considers multiple variables as the regulator is installed in a system, enabling a better and multiperspective approach to the sizing.

For different gases, and for natural gas with a different relative density other than 0.61 (compared to air), the correction coefficients from the following formula shall be applied:

$$F_c = \sqrt{\frac{175,8}{S \times (273.16 + T)}}$$
 $S = \text{relative density (refer to table 12)}$
 $T = \text{gas temperature (°C)}$



Correction Factor Fc				
Gas Type	Relative Density S	Correction Factor Fc		
Air	1.00	0.78		
Propane	1.53	0.63		
Butane	2.00	0.55		
Nitrogen	0.97	0.79		
Oxygen	1.14	0.73		
Carbon Dioxide	1.52	0.63		

Note: the table shows the Fc correction factors valid for Gas, calculated at a temperature of 15°C and at the declared relative density.

Table 12 Correction factor Fc

Flow rate conversion

 $Stm^3/h \times 0.94795 = Nm^3/h$

Nm³/h reference conditions T= 0 °C; P= 1 barg Stm³/h reference conditions T= 15 °C; P= 1 barg

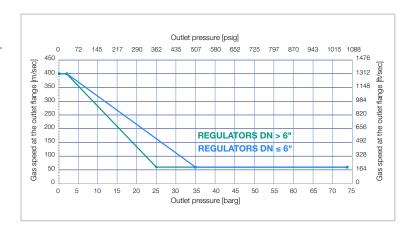
Table 13 Flow rate conversion

CAUTION:

In order to get optimal performance, to avoid premature erosion phenomena and to limit noise emissions, it is recommended to check that the gas speed at the outlet flange does not exceed the values of the graph below. The gas speed at the outlet flange may be calculated by means of the following formula:

$$V = 345.92 \times \frac{Q}{DN^2} \times \frac{1 - 0.002 \times Pd}{1 + Pd}$$

V = gas speed in m/s Q = gas flow rate in Stm³/h DN = nominal size of regular in mm Pd = outlet pressure in barg





Sizing of regulators is usually made based on valve Cg value (table 11).

Flow rates at fully open position and various operating conditions are related by the following formulae where:

Q = flow rate in Stm³/h

Pu = inlet pressure in bar (abs)

Pd = outlet pressure in bar (abs).

- A > when the Cg value of the regulator is known, as well as Pu and Pd, the flow rate can be calculated as follows:
- A-1 in sub critical conditions: (Pu < 2 x Pd)

Q = 0.526 x Cg x Pu x sin
$$\left(K1 \times \sqrt{\frac{Pu - Pd}{Pu}}\right)$$

• A-2 in critical conditions: (Pu \geq 2 x Pd)

$$Q = 0.526 \times Cg \times Pu$$

- **B** > vice versa, when the values of Pu, Pd and Q are known, the Cg value, and hence the regulator size, may be calculated using:
- **B-1** in sub-critical conditions: (Pu < 2xPd)

$$Cg = \frac{Q}{0.526 \times Pu \times sin\left(K1 \times \sqrt{\frac{Pu - Pd}{Pu}}\right)}$$

• **B-2** in critical conditions (Pu \geq 2 x Pd)

$$Cg = \frac{Q}{0.526 \times Pu}$$

NOTE: The sin value is understood to be DEG.



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