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Understanding the math behind paint circulation systems to ensure correct material velocity



back to C Supply consistent PRESSURE at point B (when material is in demand)

- Supply consistent FLOW at point B (when material is in demand)
- Maintain MATERIAL INTEGRITY 24/7/365

• **MOVE** liquid material from point A to B and





- Numerous colors are required
- Numerous application points exist •
- Volume of material usage is high





Move

"IF":



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Typical "1-Pipe" Daisy Chained CCV



Types of Paint Circulations Systems





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Typical "2-Pipe" System

This is probably by far the most common and accepted circ system method

Line diameters are regulators!

Hoses may be part of separate contract e.g. Robot Supplier



BPR



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Graduated Flow & Return

- Solvent Based Paints
- Water Based Paints
- Maintains correct paint velocity in all section of Pipework
- Hose length & diameter has a dramatic effect on system balance
- Pressure Drop through each drop must be equal. 9





This is the #1 concern for paint circulating system design. Issues include:

- Material velocity
 - Settling
 - Shear

Material Integrity: Velocity

Material must maintain a certain velocity through all piping and drop hoses (think agitator).

"Velocity" is measured via ft/sec or m/sec of material flow through piping.

General rule is

- WB material must maintain 0.5'/sec or 0.15m/sec
 - **SB** 1'/sec or 0.3m/sec.

Most users do not know their required velocity!





Material Integrity: Settling



- If velocity is too low, then material can settle.
- If material settles finished product can have the "appearance" of dirt when in fact it is a settling issue.
- Over time this can also lead to restricted or clogged lines (usually return lines).





Material Integrity: Shear



- Fluid is made up of multiple layers
- Applying force to some layers and not others (relative motion) cause layers to slide apart (Shear).
- Some fluids are more susceptible to Shear (sensitive) than others.
- Properties of the fluid is degraded.
- Some pumping technologies more likely to induce shear stress than others.
- Non-Newtonian liquids can change viscosity (thin or thicken) depending on shear rate



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Circulation Points That Attribute to Shear?

- Style of Pump.
 - Positive Displacement Piston pumps good
 - Plunger Pump medium

Material Integrity: Shear

- Rotary & Turbine Pumps bad

• BPR (Back Pressure Regulator)







Valve/Seat Style vs. Low Shear BPR





- Standard high shear valve/seat style BPRs have a small area where material flow is impinged.
- This small area increases material velocity thus increasing shear force.
- Wear on set area also reduces overall efficiency.

Valve/Seat Style vs. Low Shear BPR







- Diaphragm style BPRs have a large fluid area at the point of material impingement.
- By increasing fluid exit cavity dimension, a lower fluid velocity is also achieved.
- This larger area reduces material velocity thus lowering shear force.





Pressure Drop: As material flows through piping there is a pressure loss caused by friction.

- You can provide value by calculating pressure drop and line sizes for customer.
- This could be an additional revenue stream!
- Be careful as this increase's liability and responsibility.
- Full systems are best done with modelling software, e.g PIPES, Pipe Flow, Fluidflow, etc

Laminar vs Turbulent Flow





- Pressure drop calculations assume a laminar (smooth) flow through a pipe
- Flow is laminar if Reynolds number <2300. Unpredictable >2300, <4000 Turbulent if >4000
- Reynolds # = Diameter of Pipe × Average Speed x/min ÷ Kinematic viscosity x/min

(ft/min)	$(ft^2/min)_{18}$
[m/s]	

Cold Drawn Seamless (CDS) Steel Pipe

 Extrusion process where tube is drawn at <u>room temperature</u> from a solid stainless steel billet into a hollow form

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No welded seams

Viscosity – Poise Converter



- Material viscosity can be affected by many factors.
 - o Temperature
 - \circ Shear stress
 - o Pressure
 - $\circ \text{ Time}$
 - o Humidity / Moisture Sensitivity
- Solvent Based Paint viscosity is mainly affected by temperature, the static viscosity is similar to the dynamic viscosity constant.
- Water Based Paints are affected mainly by both temperature and shear so the static viscosity is much higher than the dynamic viscosity.
- Convert viscosity cup measurements to Poise or Centipoise for calculations

Poise	0.10	0.15	0.20	0.25	0.30	0.40	0.50	0.60	0.70	0.80	0.90	1.00	1.20	1.40	1.60	1.80	2.00
Centipoise	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	120	140	160	180	200
Ford #3			12	15	19	25	29	33	36	41	45	50	58	66		1.446,000	Þ
Ford #4	5	8	10	12	14	18	22	25	28	31	32	34	41	45	50	54	58
Zahn #1	30	34	37	41	44	52	60	68									
Zahn #2	16	17	18	19	20	22	24	27	30	34	37	41	49	58	66	74	82
Zahn #3											10	12	14	16	18	20	23
Zahn #4												10	11	13	14	16	17
DIN #4	11	21	14	16	20	23	25	26	28	30	34	38	42	45	49	52	
ISO #4	n Ap		23	34	51	60	68	74	82	93							



Pressure Drop Delta P Formula





△ Pressure loss = <u>Friction Factor x Flow/min x Pipe Length x Dynamic Viscosity</u> Internal Pipe Diameter⁴ (dxdxdxd)



 Friction Factor based on the mass flow characteristics for typical pipe / hose used for installation

 Imperial – 0.0273

 \circ Metric – 679

Flow

o Gallons per minuteo Litres per minute

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Length

- o Feet
- \circ Metres
- Viscosity must be <u>Dynamic Viscosity</u>

 Poise
- Pipe Diameter
 - \circ Inches
 - \circ Millimetres





Substitute numbers into formula FORMULA ~ $\bigwedge P = .0273 \qquad \frac{Q \vee L}{ID 4}$ 1.84 * 1 * 50 FORMULA ~ $\bigwedge P = .0273$.87x.87x.87x.87 50 Feet 1" x .065 WALL - 18 GAUGE S.S. Drop 2 Drop 1 TUBING **P**₌ 4.384 psi

Pressure Drop Quick Table



ID⁴

∆P = 0.0273 QVL

Pressure Line Drop Calculations

Flow Rate (GPM)	Viscosity (poise)	Pipe/Hose Length (feet)	Pipe/Hose ID (inches)	Pressure Drop (psi)
1.84	1	50	0.87	4.4
1.84	1	100	0.87	8.8
1.84	1	100	0.62	34.0
1.1	1	100	0.62	20.3

Take Off Hoses – are often not considered in the overall design! Diameter and Length of the hose has a dramatic effect on System Balance Paint Flow Short Circuit will result in Higher Pump Flow and Pressure requirement

- Wasting energy
- Potentially damaging paint
- Causing pigment settlement issues
- Increasing wear and tear on the pump and system

Flow Balancing



If a paint system is not balanced correctly then the Pump needs to run at a higher pressure, the flow is also greater than needed, wasting energy and decreasing pump life.

Example for 8 Robot & 8 Hand Stations

8 x Robot hose 15m flow & return, flow needed 0.8L, hose Ø6

8 x Manual hose 6m flow & return, flow needed 0.6L, hose Ø6

Description	Flow Rate <i>L/min</i>	Viscosity <i>Poise</i>	Pipe Length Metres	Pipe Diameter <i>mm</i>	Pressure Drop bar	Flow Speed <i>M/</i> Sec
Hand Station	0.60	1.00	12.00	6.00	3.77	0.352
Robot Station	0.80	1.00	30.00	6.00	12.57	0.470
Hand Station Flow due to increased Pump Pressure	2.00	1.00	12.00	6.00	12.57	1.174
Robot Station Flow if Pump Pressure is not increased	0.24	1.00	30.00	6.00	3.77	0.141

The Higher Pump Pressure needed to achieve the desired flow rate of 0.8L/min at the Robot will increase the flow at the manual station to 2L/min. $(2L \times 8) - (0.6L \times 8) = 11.2 L$ extra paint flow rate, plus increase in pump pressure.

If the Pump Pressure is set to achieve the manual station flow rate then the robot station will have reduced flow rate of 0.24L/min.

Flow Balancing



Comment – to correct system imbalance and maintain required flow rate

Change Robot Hose to Ø8

Description	Flow Rate L/min	Viscosity <i>Poi</i> se	Pipe Length Metres	Pipe Diameter <i>mm</i>	Pressure Drop bar	Flow Speed M/Sec	Remarks
Hand Station	0.60	1.00	12.00	6.00	3.77	0.352	Pressure drop is now
Robot Station	0.80	1.00	30.00	8.00	3.98	0.264	Balance is achieved

The pressure drop through the robot hoses has now reduced. Both manual and robot hoses have virtually the same pressure drop. This example shows that the hoses connected to the paint take offs have a major impact on system balance.

This can be a problem when different companies are responsible for the supply of Circulating System and Painting Robots.

Comments - Even when the main line and droppers are sized correctly for the total flow and pressure requirements, incorrect hose selection causes:-

- Unexpected high flow and pressure demands
- Paint velocity is Too High or Too Low causing paint damage and colour match problems.

Circ System Design Review



What Do We Need To Know?

- Viscosity
- Booth and Paint Kitchen Location (dimensions)
- Required Material Velocity
- Special Material Concerns (i.e. shear sensitive)
- Max Required Flow at Applicators
- Pressure Required at Drop

Answer These Questions and We Are Good To Go!





Conventional Circulating Systems - need pipework diameters sizing for maximum flow demand as this is the circulating flow for the majority of the time.

System pressure is maintained by dynamically controlling paint flow with the BPR

Smart Circulating Systems - can use smaller diameter pipework (but within pump pressure capability) as the pump is reactive to the fluctuating flow demand and for the majority of the time, paint flow is set to a lower volumetric rate, increasing energy efficiency and reducing running costs

Maple – Pneumatic Pumps



Pneumatic pumps are always working at max system pressure for spraying

 High energy consumption from compressed air usage
 BPR always at set back pressure; increases paint shear effect long term



Pump Selection - Conventional System



Determine Correct Pump Size Consider Maximum Fluid Output v Maximum Dynamic Paint Flow requirement

Design Recommendations should follow continuous operation:-Maple Pump 24/7 Operation - 20 cycles/min continuous operation Maple 15 i.e. 20 x 0.375L = 7.5L/min Maple 30 i.e. 20 x 0.750L = 15L/min

E2-15 24/7 Operation we should consider up to 75% of Pump Maximum capability i.e. E2-15 \rightarrow 15L/min x 0.75 = 11.25/min (max design)

Note: Conventional Long stroke Vertical Pumps are usually limited to 12 cycles/min due to air motor freezing issues

e.g. Maximum Flow demand:-Basecoat System Specification - 8 x Robot 800c/min and 8 x Manual 600cc/min = **11.2 L/min** Actual requirement based on Utilisation of 80% Robot & 50% Manual = **7.52 L/min** Real World Requirement would be less as Robot and manual flow rate is less than specified.

Recommend Pump Maple 30 or E2-15

Pump Selection - Conventional System







Smart Pump CV Cam Drive







Pressure Drop on Pump Change Over NO SURGE CHAMBER

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Smart Pump Process

- Smart Pump can operate in open or closed loop process.
- Open loop is Flow Control.
- Closed loop is pressure control.
- Smart Pump controls can switch between open and closed loop controls in real time thus can adapt to applicator requirements as production flow demands change.
- During nonproduction times Smart Pump can switch to <u>automated sleep mode</u> thus lowering energy, material wear, pump and system component wear.
- Ability to control flow rate via Hz input to motor provides more process control.
- Any brand VFD or PLC, or Binks Smart Card can be used to control Smart Pump.



Motor Speed HZ	Pump Speed Cycles/min	Fluid Flow Rate Litres/min	Fluid Flow Rate US Gall/min
20	10.0	15.00	4
25	12.5	18.75	5
30	15.0	22.50	5
35	17.5	26.25	7
40	20.0	30.00	8
45	22.5	33.75	9
50	25.0	37.50	10
55	27.5	41.25	- 11
60	30.0	45.00	12
65	32.5	48.75	13
70	35.0	56.25	14
75	37.5	56.25	15
80	40.0	60.00	16

Pump Selection - Smart System



Determine Correct Pump Size

Consider Maximum Fluid Output v Maximum Dynamic Paint Flow requirement

Design Recommendations

In Closed Loop Smart Mode we should aim for up to 80% of Pump Maximum capability. i.e. E2-15 \rightarrow 15L/min x 0.8 = 12L/min (max design)

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Smart Pump Process





"Smart Circ" Process

Pump OPEN LOOP: System not in use Flow 6 GPM (1'/sec) @ 90 PSI

Pump CLOSED LOOP: System RNEAD (rfoarxuspray) Flow 6 GERMI @ 1990 PPSI

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