
**Safety devices for protection against
excessive pressure —**

**Part 7:
Common data**

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Foreword

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ISO 4126 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure*:

- *Part 1: Safety valves*
- *Part 2: Bursting disc safety devices*
- *Part 3: Safety valves and bursting disc safety devices in combination*
- *Part 4: Pilot-operated safety valves*
- *Part 5: Controlled safety pressure relief systems (CSPRS)*
- *Part 6: Application, selection and installation of bursting disc safety devices*
- *Part 7: Common data*
- *Part 9: Application and installation of safety devices excluding stand-alone bursting disc safety devices*
- *Part 10: Sizing of safety valves for gas/liquid two-phase flow*
- *Part 11: Performance testing¹⁾*

1) Under preparation.

Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure —

Part 7: Common data

1 Scope

This part of ISO 4126 specifies requirements for safety valves. It contains information which is common to ISO 4126-1 to ISO 4126-6 to avoid unnecessary repetition.

For flashing liquids or two-phase mixtures, see ISO 4126-10.

The user is cautioned that it is not recommended to use the ideal gas formula presented in 6.3 when the relieving temperature is greater than 90 % of the thermodynamic critical temperature and the relieving pressure is greater than 50 % of the thermodynamic critical pressure. Additionally, condensation is not considered. If condensation occurs, the method presented in 6.3 should not be used.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 4126-1, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure — Part 1: Safety valves*

ISO 4126-2, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure — Part 2: Bursting disc safety devices*

ISO 4126-4, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure — Part 4: Pilot operated safety valves*

ISO 4126-5, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure — Part 5: Controlled safety pressure relief systems (CSPRS)*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 4126-1, ISO 4126-2, ISO 4126-4 and ISO 4126-5 and the following apply.

NOTE Pressure unit used in ISO 4126-7 is the bar (1 bar = 10⁵ Pa), quoted as gauge (relative to atmospheric pressure) or absolute as appropriate.

3.1 safety valve

valve which automatically, without the assistance of any energy other than that of the fluid concerned, discharges a quantity of the fluid so as to prevent a predetermined safe pressure being exceeded, and which is designed to re-close and prevent further flow of fluid after normal pressure conditions of service have been restored

Note 1 to entry: The valve can be characterized either by pop action (rapid opening) or by opening in proportion (not necessarily linear) to the increase in pressure over the set pressure. The use of the term safety valve in this part of ISO 4126 applies to other valve types as covered in ISO 4126-1, ISO 4126-4 and ISO 4126-5.

3.2

set pressure

predetermined pressure at which a safety valve under operating conditions commences to open

Note 1 to entry: It is the gauge pressure measured at the valve inlet at which the pressure forces tending to open the valve for the specific service conditions are in equilibrium with the forces retaining the valve disc on its seat.

3.3

maximum allowable pressure, PS

maximum pressure for which the protected equipment is designed

3.4

overpressure

pressure increase over set pressure, usually expressed as a percentage of the set pressure

3.5

relieving pressure

pressure used for the sizing of a safety valve which is greater than or equal to the set pressure plus overpressure

3.6

back pressure

pressure that exists at the outlet of a safety valve as a result of the pressure in the discharge system

Note 1 to entry: The back pressure is the sum of the superimposed and built-up back pressures.

3.7

built-up back pressure

pressure existing at the outlet of a safety valve caused by flow through the valve and the discharge system

3.8

superimposed back pressure

pressure existing at the outlet of a safety valve at the time when the device is required to operate

Note 1 to entry: It is the result of pressure in the discharge system from other sources.

3.9

flow area

minimum cross-sectional flow area (but not the smallest area between the disc and seat) between inlet and seat which is used to calculate the theoretical flow capacity, with no deduction for any obstruction

Note 1 to entry: The symbol is A .

3.10

theoretical discharge capacity

calculated capacity expressed in mass or volumetric units of a theoretically perfect nozzle having a cross-sectional flow area equal to the flow area of a safety valve

3.11

coefficient of discharge

value of actual discharge capacity (from tests) divided by the theoretical discharge capacity (from calculation)

3.12

certified (discharge) capacity

that portion of the measured capacity permitted to be used as a basis for the application of a safety valve

Note 1 to entry: It may, for example, equal the a) measured capacity times the de-rating factor of 0,9, or b) theoretical capacity times the coefficient of discharge times the de-rating factor of 0,9, or c) theoretical capacity times the certified de-rated coefficient of discharge.

3.13

**dryness fraction
steam quality**

measure of the relative vapour/liquid content of a steam quantity or stream. Expressed as the mass fraction or percentage of vapour

4 Symbols and units**Table 1 — Symbols and their descriptions**

Symbol	Description	Unit
A	Flow area of a safety valve (not smallest area between the disc and seat)	mm ²
C	Function of the isentropic exponent, k	-
K_b	Theoretical capacity correction factor for subcritical flow	-
K_d	Coefficient of discharge ^a	-
K_{dr}	Certified de-rated coefficient of discharge ($K_d \times 0,9$) ^a	-
K_v	Viscosity correction factor	-
k	Isentropic exponent at relieving pressure and temperature	-
M	Molar mass	kg/kmol
n	Number of tests	-
p_o	Relieving pressure - absolute	bar (abs)
p_b	Back pressure - absolute	bar (abs)
p_c	Thermodynamic critical pressure - absolute	bar (abs)
p_r	Reduced pressure	-
PS	Maximum allowable pressure	bar (abs)
\dot{Q}_m	Mass flow rate	kg/h
q_m	Theoretical specific discharge capacity	kg/(h·mm ²)
q'_m	Specific discharge capacity determined by tests	kg/(h·mm ²)
R	Universal gas constant	J/K·mol
Re	Reynolds number	-
T_o	Relieving temperature	K
T_c	Thermodynamic critical temperature	K
T_r	Reduced temperature	-
μ_0	Dynamic viscosity	Pa·s
v_o	Specific volume at relieving pressure and temperature	m ³ /kg
x_0	Dryness fraction of wet steam at the valve inlet at relieving pressure and temperature ^b	-
k_s	Steam pressure coefficient	h·mm ² bar (abs)/ kg
Z	Compressibility factor at relieving pressure and temperature	-
^a K_d and K_{dr} are expressed as 0,xxx. ^b x_0 is expressed as 0,xx.		

5 Determination of safety valve performance

5.1 Determination of coefficient of discharge

The coefficient of discharge, K_d , is calculated from the following:

$$K_d = \frac{\sum_{m=1}^n \left(\frac{q'_m}{q_m} \right)}{n} \quad (1)$$

K_d shall be calculated up to three significant decimal places. Any rounding shall be down.

5.2 Critical and subcritical flow

The theoretical flow of a gas or vapour through an orifice, such as the flow area of a safety valve, increases as the downstream pressure is decreased to the critical pressure, until critical flow is achieved. Further decrease in downstream pressure will not result in any further increase in flow.

Critical flow occurs when

$$\frac{p_b}{p_o} \leq \left(\frac{2}{k+1} \right)^{k/(k-1)} \quad (2)$$

and subcritical flow occurs when

$$\frac{p_b}{p_o} > \left(\frac{2}{k+1} \right)^{k/(k-1)} \quad (3)$$

5.3 Discharge capacity at critical flow

5.3.1 Discharge capacity for steam

$$q_m = 0,2883 C \sqrt{\frac{p_o}{v_o}} \quad (4)$$

Formula (4) allows the use of steam tables to obtain the specific volume of steam at various pressures and temperatures. The user is cautioned that the direct use of this equation can lead to an error of more than 20 % as the temperature approaches the saturated or supercritical condition. An error of less than 1 % can only be achieved at a steam temperature at least higher than 30 °C above saturation condition or higher than the result of $30+(p_0-200)$, in °C, using p_0 in bar above saturation or supercritical condition. A method including lower temperatures is described hereafter.

Alternatively, the above equation can be rearranged as follows:

$$q_m = \frac{p_o}{k_s} \quad (5)$$

where k_s is the steam pressure coefficient.

$$k_s = \frac{\sqrt{p_o v_o}}{0,2883 C} \quad (6)$$

NOTE 1 $0,2883 = \frac{\sqrt{R}}{10} = \frac{\sqrt{8,3143}}{10}$ (7)

Values for the steam pressure coefficient, k_s , can be obtained in [Table 2](#). See [6.3.1](#) for background on the development of [Table 2](#).

This is applicable to dry saturated and superheated steam. Dry saturated steam in this context refers to steam with a minimum dryness fraction of 98 % where C is a function of the isentropic exponent at the relieving conditions.

$$C = 3,948 \sqrt{k \left(\frac{2}{k+1} \right)^{(k+1)/(k-1)}} \quad (8)$$

NOTE 2 $3,948 = \frac{3600}{\sqrt{10^5 \times \sqrt{R}}}$ (9)

The value of k used to determine C shall be based on the actual flowing conditions at the pressure relief device inlet and shall be determined from [Table 3](#).

5.3.2 Discharge capacity for any gas under critical flow conditions

$$q_m = p_o C \sqrt{\frac{M}{ZT_o}} = 0,2883 C \sqrt{\frac{p_o}{v_o}} \quad (10)$$

See [Figure 1](#) for values of Z .

$$C = 3,948 \sqrt{k \left(\frac{2}{k+1} \right)^{(k+1)/(k-1)}} \quad (11)$$

See [Table 3](#) for rounded values for C .

5.4 Discharge capacity for any gas at subcritical flow

$$q_m = p_o C K_b \sqrt{\frac{M}{ZT_o}} = 0,2883 C K_b \sqrt{\frac{p_o}{v_o}} \quad (12)$$

$$K_b = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{2k}{k-1} \left[\left(\frac{p_b}{p_o} \right)^{\frac{2}{k}} - \left(\frac{p_b}{p_o} \right)^{\frac{k+1}{k}} \right]}{k \left(\frac{2}{k+1} \right)^{\frac{k+1}{k-1}}}} \quad (13)$$

See [Table 4](#) for K_b values.

5.5 Discharge capacity for non-flashing liquid as the test medium in the turbulent zone where the Reynolds number Re is equal to or greater than 80 000

$$q_m = 1,61 \sqrt{\left(\frac{p_o - p_b}{v_o} \right)} \quad (14)$$

NOTE

$$1,61 = \frac{3600\sqrt{2}}{10\sqrt{10^5}} \quad (15)$$

6 Sizing of safety valves

6.1 General

The certified de-rated coefficient of discharge K_{dr} of the safety valve shall be not greater than 90 % of the coefficient of discharge K_d determined by test:

$$K_{dr} \leq 0,9 K_d \quad (16)$$

It is not permitted to calculate the capacity with a lower overpressure than that at which the tests to determine flow characteristics were carried out although it is permissible to calculate the capacity at a higher relieving pressure.

Valves having a certified de-rated coefficient of discharge established on critical flow at the test back pressure may not have the same certified de-rated coefficient of discharge at a higher back pressure; see ISO 4126-1, ISO 4126-3, ISO 4126-4 or ISO 4126-5, as applicable, for requirements for the certification of the coefficient of discharge of various valve types.

6.2 Valves for gas or vapour relief

No distinction is made between substances commonly referred to as vapours: the term “gas” is used to describe both gas and vapour.

To calculate the capacity for any gas, the area and the coefficient of discharge shall be assumed to be constant and the equations given in [Clause 5](#) shall be used.

6.3 Calculation of capacity

The ideal gas formula presented in [6.3](#) should not be used when the relieving temperature is greater than 90 % of the thermodynamic critical temperature and the relieving pressure is greater than 50 % of the thermodynamic critical pressure. Additionally, condensation is not considered. If condensation occurs, the method presented in [6.3](#) should not be used.

NOTE 1 The equation to be applied depends on the fluid to be discharged.

NOTE 2 See [Annex A](#) for example calculations.

6.3.1 Capacity calculation for (saturated, superheated or supercritical) steam at critical flow

$$\dot{Q}_m = 0,2883 CA K_{dr} \sqrt{\frac{p_o}{v_o}} \quad (17)$$

Formula (17) allows the use of steam tables to obtain the specific volume of steam at various pressures and temperatures. The user is cautioned that the direct use of this equation can lead to an error of more than 20 % as the temperature approaches the saturated or supercritical condition. An error of less than 1 % can only be achieved at a steam temperature at least higher than 30°C above saturation condition or higher than the result of 30+(p_0-200), in °C, using p_0 in bar above saturation or supercritical condition. A method including lower temperatures is described hereafter.

Alternatively, the above equation can be rearranged as follows:

$$\dot{Q}_m = \frac{AK_{dr} p_o}{k_s} \quad (18)$$

where k_s is the steam pressure coefficient,

$$k_s = \frac{\sqrt{p_o v_o}}{0,2883 C} \quad (19)$$

Values for the steam pressure coefficient, k_s , can be obtained in [Table 2](#). The values of [Table 2](#) were established by iterative calculations on nozzle flow using the following procedure:

- Isentropic expansion from a nozzle inlet pressure to several assumed throat pressures was calculated.
- The mass flow rate per unit throat area (the ratio of the nozzle throat velocity to the coincident specific volume) was calculated for each assumed throat pressure.
- The actual thermodynamic properties of steam according to IAPWS-IF97[1] were used for each assumed throat pressure.
- The iterative calculation procedure stops when the maximum of mass flow is detected, this value was used for establishing the value of k_s .

6.3.2 Capacity calculations for wet steam

The following equation is applicable only to homogenous wet steam of dryness fraction of 90 % and over.

$$\dot{Q}_m = \frac{0,2883 CA K_{dr} \sqrt{\frac{p_o}{v_o}}}{\sqrt{x_o}} \quad (20)$$

Alternatively, the above equation can be rearranged as follows:

$$\dot{Q}_m = \frac{AK_{dr} p_o}{k_s \sqrt{x_o}} \quad (21)$$

where k_s is the steam pressure coefficient,

$$k_s = \frac{\sqrt{p_o v_o}}{0,2883 C} \quad (22)$$

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- The actual thermodynamic properties of steam according to IAPWS-IF97[1] were used for each assumed throat pressure.
- The iterative calculation procedure stops when the maximum of mass flow is detected, this value was used for establishing the value of k_s .

6.3.3 Capacity calculations for gaseous media

6.3.3.1 Capacity calculations for gaseous media at critical flow

$$\dot{Q}_m = p_o CA K_{dr} \sqrt{\frac{M}{ZT_o}} = 0,2883 CA K_{dr} \sqrt{\frac{p_o}{v_o}} \quad (23)$$

$$A = \frac{\dot{Q}_m}{p_o CK_{dr} \sqrt{\frac{M}{ZT_o}}} = \frac{\dot{Q}_m}{0,2883 CK_{dr} \sqrt{\frac{p_o}{v_o}}} \quad (24)$$

6.3.3.2 Capacity calculations for gaseous media at subcritical flow

$$\dot{Q}_m = p_o CA K_{dr} K_b \sqrt{\frac{M}{ZT_o}} = 0,2883 CA K_{dr} K_b \sqrt{\frac{p_o}{v_o}} \quad (25)$$

NOTE To determine K_b see equation in 5.4 and Table 4.

See Figure 1 for values of Z .

6.3.4 Capacity calculations for liquids

$$\dot{Q}_m = 1,61 K_{dr} K_v A \sqrt{\frac{p_o - p_b}{v_o}} \quad (26)$$

See Figure 2 for values of K_v .

7 Thermodynamic properties

7.1 Steam data

The steam pressure coefficient data are given in Table 2.

7.2 Value of C as a function of k

The values of factor C as a function of the isentropic exponent are given in Table 3.

7.3 Theoretical capacity correction factors for sub-critical flow (K_b)

The theoretical capacity correction factors for sub-critical flow (K_b) are given in Table 4.

Table 2 — Steam pressure coefficient data, k_s
Pressure: atmospheric - 2 bar (abs) — Temperature: Saturated - 750 °C

PRESS bar (abs)	SAT Temp C	Sat. Steam	105	110	120	130	150	200	250	300	350	400	500	600	700	750
1,05	101,0	3,832	3,839	3,860	3,918	3,970	4,072	4,314	4,540	4,756	4,961	5,158	5,531	5,880	6,210	6,368
1,06	101,2	3,538	3,540	3,565	3,613	3,661	3,755	3,978	4,187	4,386	4,575	4,757	5,102	5,424	5,728	5,875
1,07	101,5	3,313	3,313	3,333	3,379	3,423	3,511	3,720	3,916	4,102	4,279	4,449	4,772	5,073	5,358	5,495
1,08	101,8	3,133	3,134	3,149	3,192	3,234	3,317	3,515	3,700	3,875	4,043	4,204	4,509	4,794	5,064	5,193
1,09	102,0	2,987	2,988	2,999	3,039	3,079	3,159	3,347	3,523	3,690	3,850	4,004	4,294	4,566	4,823	4,946
1,10	102,3	2,865	2,866	2,873	2,912	2,950	3,026	3,206	3,375	3,536	3,689	3,836	4,114	4,375	4,621	4,740
1,12	102,8	2,672	2,673	2,673	2,710	2,745	2,816	2,984	3,141	3,291	3,434	3,571	3,830	4,074	4,303	4,414
1,14	103,3	2,527	2,528	2,528	2,557	2,590	2,657	2,816	2,964	3,106	3,241	3,370	3,615	3,845	4,062	4,167
1,16	103,8	2,413	2,414	2,415	2,436	2,468	2,532	2,683	2,825	2,960	3,089	3,213	3,447	3,666	3,874	3,973
1,18	104,3	2,322	2,323	2,325	2,339	2,370	2,431	2,577	2,713	2,843	2,967	3,086	3,311	3,522	3,722	3,818
1,20	104,8	2,248	2,248	2,251	2,260	2,290	2,348	2,489	2,621	2,746	2,866	2,981	3,199	3,403	3,597	3,690
1,25	106,0	2,112	-	2,114	2,112	2,139	2,195	2,326	2,450	2,567	2,680	2,788	2,992	3,184	3,365	3,452
1,30	107,1	2,021	-	2,023	2,023	2,037	2,090	2,215	2,333	2,445	2,553	2,656	2,851	3,034	3,208	3,291
1,35	108,2	1,958	-	1,959	1,961	1,964	2,015	2,136	2,250	2,359	2,462	2,562	2,751	2,928	3,096	3,177
1,40	109,3	1,913	-	1,914	1,918	1,913	1,960	2,078	2,189	2,295	2,396	2,494	2,678	2,851	3,015	3,095
1,45	110,3	1,882	-	1,887	1,884	1,884	1,919	2,035	2,144	2,248	2,347	2,443	2,624	2,794	2,956	3,033
1,50	111,4	1,860	-	1,865	1,863	1,863	1,888	2,003	2,110	2,213	2,311	2,405	2,584	2,752	2,911	2,988
1,60	113,3	1,836	-	1,840	1,840	1,841	1,849	1,961	2,066	2,167	2,263	2,356	2,532	2,698	2,855	2,931
1,70	115,1	1,829	-	1,833	1,836	1,836	1,828	1,939	2,044	2,144	2,239	2,331	2,506	2,671	2,828	2,903
1,80	116,9	1,834	-	1,836	1,838	1,838	1,832	1,930	2,035	2,134	2,230	2,322	2,497	2,662	2,819	2,895
1,90	118,6	1,835	-	1,836	1,841	1,841	1,836	1,930	2,035	2,135	2,231	2,323	2,499	2,665	2,819	2,894
2,00	120,2	1,838	-	-	-	1,844	1,840	1,928	2,033	2,133	2,229	2,321	2,497	2,662	2,819	2,894

NOTE 1 Use linear interpolation for intermediate values of temperature and pressure.

NOTE 2 The temperature increment was selected in such a way to limit the maximum error from linear interpolation to 1 %.

Table 2 — Steam pressure coefficient data, k_s (continued)

Pressure: 2 - 40 bar (abs) — Temperature: Saturated - 280 °C

PRESS bar (abs)	SAT Temp C	Sat. Steam	140	150	160	170	180	190	200	210	220	230	240	250	260	270	280
2	120,2	1,838	1,844	1,840	1,840	1,862	1,884	1,906	1,928	1,950	1,971	1,992	2,013	2,033	2,054	2,074	2,094
3	133,5	1,860	1,865	1,868	1,866	1,861	1,880	1,902	1,924	1,945	1,967	1,988	2,009	2,030	2,051	2,071	2,091
4	143,6	1,876	-	1,881	1,885	1,883	1,878	1,897	1,919	1,941	1,963	1,985	2,006	2,027	2,048	2,068	2,088
5	151,8	1,888	-	-	1,894	1,897	1,896	1,893	1,915	1,937	1,959	1,981	2,002	2,024	2,045	2,065	2,086
6	158,8	1,898	-	-	1,899	1,906	1,908	1,905	1,910	1,933	1,955	1,977	1,999	2,020	2,041	2,062	2,083
7	165,0	1,906	-	-	-	1,911	1,916	1,916	1,912	1,928	1,951	1,973	1,995	2,017	2,038	2,059	2,080
8	170,4	1,913	-	-	-	-	1,921	1,924	1,922	1,924	1,947	1,969	1,991	2,013	2,035	2,056	2,077
9	175,4	1,919	-	-	-	-	1,923	1,929	1,930	1,927	1,943	1,965	1,988	2,010	2,032	2,053	2,075
10	179,9	1,924	-	-	-	-	1,924	1,932	1,936	1,934	1,938	1,961	1,984	2,006	2,028	2,050	2,072
11	184,1	1,928	-	-	-	-	-	1,934	1,940	1,941	1,937	1,957	1,980	2,003	2,025	2,047	2,069
12	188,0	1,932	-	-	-	-	-	1,934	1,943	1,945	1,944	1,953	1,976	1,999	2,022	2,044	2,066
13	191,6	1,936	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,944	1,949	1,949	1,949	1,973	1,996	2,018	2,041	2,063
14	195,0	1,939	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,944	1,951	1,953	1,950	1,969	1,992	2,015	2,038	2,060
15	198,3	1,942	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,944	1,953	1,956	1,955	1,965	1,988	2,012	2,034	2,057
16	201,4	1,944	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,953	1,959	1,959	1,961	1,985	2,008	2,031	2,054
17	204,3	1,946	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,953	1,960	1,962	1,960	1,981	2,005	2,028	2,051
18	207,1	1,949	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,952	1,961	1,965	1,963	1,977	2,001	2,025	2,048
19	209,8	1,950	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,951	1,962	1,966	1,966	1,973	1,998	2,021	2,045
20	212,4	1,952	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,961	1,968	1,969	1,970	1,994	2,018	2,041
21	214,9	1,954	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,961	1,968	1,971	1,969	1,990	2,014	2,038
22	217,3	1,955	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,959	1,969	1,973	1,972	1,987	2,011	2,035
23	219,6	1,956	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,957	1,969	1,974	1,974	1,983	2,008	2,032
24	221,8	1,957	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,968	1,975	1,976	1,979	2,004	2,029
25	224,0	1,958	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,967	1,975	1,978	1,977	2,001	2,025
26	226,1	1,959	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,965	1,975	1,979	1,978	1,997	2,022
28	230,1	1,961	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,974	1,980	1,981	1,990	2,015
30	233,9	1,962	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,971	1,980	1,983	1,984	2,008

Table 2 (continued)

PRESS bar (abs)	SAT Temp C	Sat. Steam	140	150	160	170	180	190	200	210	220	230	240	250	260	270	280
32	237,5	1,963	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,967	1,979	1,984	1,985	2,002
34	240,9	1,964	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,977	1,985	1,987	1,995
36	244,2	1,964	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,974	1,984	1,988	1,989
38	247,3	1,964	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,969	1,982	1,988	1,989
40	250,4	1,964	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,979	1,987	1,990

NOTE 1 Use linear interpolation for intermediate values of temperature and pressure.

NOTE 2 The temperature increment was selected in such a way to limit the maximum error from linear interpolation to 1 %.

Table 2 — Steam pressure coefficient data, k_s (continued)

Pressure: 2 - 40 bar (abs) — Temperature: 280 °C – 750 °C

PRESS bar (abs)	280	290	300	310	320	340	360	380	400	450	500	550	600	650	700	750
2	2,094	2,114	2,133	2,153	2,172	2,210	2,248	2,285	2,321	2,410	2,497	2,580	2,662	2,741	2,819	2,894
3	2,091	2,111	2,131	2,150	2,170	2,208	2,246	2,283	2,320	2,409	2,496	2,580	2,661	2,741	2,818	2,894
4	2,088	2,109	2,128	2,148	2,168	2,206	2,244	2,282	2,318	2,408	2,495	2,579	2,661	2,740	2,818	2,894
5	2,086	2,106	2,126	2,146	2,165	2,204	2,242	2,280	2,317	2,407	2,494	2,578	2,660	2,740	2,817	2,893
6	2,083	2,103	2,124	2,144	2,163	2,202	2,241	2,278	2,315	2,406	2,493	2,577	2,659	2,739	2,817	2,893
7	2,080	2,101	2,121	2,141	2,161	2,200	2,239	2,277	2,314	2,404	2,492	2,577	2,659	2,739	2,817	2,893
8	2,077	2,098	2,119	2,139	2,159	2,198	2,237	2,275	2,312	2,403	2,491	2,576	2,658	2,738	2,816	2,892
9	2,075	2,095	2,116	2,136	2,157	2,196	2,235	2,273	2,311	2,402	2,490	2,575	2,657	2,738	2,816	2,892
10	2,072	2,093	2,114	2,134	2,154	2,194	2,233	2,272	2,309	2,401	2,489	2,574	2,657	2,737	2,815	2,892
11	2,069	2,090	2,111	2,132	2,152	2,192	2,232	2,270	2,308	2,400	2,488	2,573	2,656	2,737	2,815	2,891
12	2,066	2,087	2,108	2,129	2,150	2,190	2,230	2,268	2,306	2,399	2,487	2,573	2,656	2,736	2,814	2,891
13	2,063	2,085	2,106	2,127	2,148	2,188	2,228	2,267	2,305	2,397	2,486	2,572	2,655	2,735	2,814	2,890
14	2,060	2,082	2,103	2,124	2,145	2,186	2,226	2,265	2,303	2,396	2,485	2,571	2,654	2,735	2,814	2,890
15	2,057	2,079	2,101	2,122	2,143	2,184	2,224	2,263	2,302	2,395	2,484	2,570	2,654	2,734	2,813	2,890
16	2,054	2,076	2,098	2,119	2,141	2,182	2,222	2,262	2,300	2,394	2,483	2,570	2,653	2,734	2,813	2,889
17	2,051	2,073	2,095	2,117	2,138	2,180	2,220	2,260	2,299	2,393	2,482	2,569	2,652	2,733	2,812	2,889
18	2,048	2,070	2,093	2,114	2,136	2,178	2,219	2,258	2,297	2,391	2,481	2,568	2,652	2,733	2,812	2,889
19	2,045	2,067	2,090	2,112	2,133	2,176	2,217	2,257	2,296	2,390	2,480	2,567	2,651	2,732	2,811	2,888
20	2,041	2,064	2,087	2,109	2,131	2,174	2,215	2,255	2,294	2,389	2,479	2,566	2,650	2,732	2,811	2,888
21	2,038	2,062	2,084	2,107	2,129	2,171	2,213	2,253	2,293	2,388	2,478	2,566	2,650	2,731	2,810	2,887
22	2,035	2,059	2,082	2,104	2,126	2,169	2,211	2,251	2,291	2,386	2,477	2,565	2,649	2,731	2,810	2,887
23	2,032	2,056	2,079	2,101	2,124	2,167	2,209	2,250	2,290	2,385	2,476	2,564	2,648	2,730	2,809	2,887
24	2,029	2,052	2,076	2,099	2,121	2,165	2,207	2,248	2,288	2,384	2,476	2,563	2,648	2,730	2,809	2,886
25	2,025	2,049	2,073	2,096	2,119	2,163	2,205	2,246	2,286	2,383	2,475	2,562	2,647	2,729	2,809	2,886
26	2,022	2,046	2,070	2,094	2,116	2,161	2,203	2,245	2,285	2,382	2,474	2,562	2,646	2,729	2,808	2,886
28	2,015	2,040	2,064	2,088	2,111	2,156	2,199	2,241	2,282	2,379	2,472	2,560	2,645	2,727	2,807	2,885
30	2,008	2,034	2,058	2,083	2,106	2,152	2,195	2,238	2,279	2,377	2,470	2,558	2,644	2,726	2,806	2,884

Table 2 (continued)

PRESS bar (abs)	280	290	300	310	320	340	360	380	400	450	500	550	600	650	700	750
32	2,002	2,027	2,053	2,077	2,101	2,147	2,191	2,234	2,275	2,374	2,468	2,557	2,643	2,725	2,805	2,883
34	1,995	2,021	2,046	2,071	2,096	2,143	2,187	2,230	2,272	2,372	2,466	2,555	2,641	2,724	2,805	2,883
36	1,989	2,014	2,040	2,066	2,090	2,138	2,183	2,227	2,269	2,369	2,464	2,554	2,640	2,723	2,804	2,882
38	1,989	2,007	2,034	2,060	2,085	2,133	2,179	2,223	2,266	2,367	2,462	2,552	2,639	2,722	2,803	2,881
40	1,990	2,000	2,027	2,054	2,079	2,129	2,175	2,220	2,262	2,364	2,460	2,551	2,637	2,721	2,802	2,880

NOTE 1 Use linear interpolation for intermediate values of temperature and pressure

NOTE 2 The temperature increment was selected in such a way to limit the maximum error from linear interpolation to 1 %.

Table 2 — Steam pressure coefficient data, k_s (continued)

Pressure: 40 - 220 bar (abs) — Temperature: Saturated - 420 °C

PRESS bar (abs)	SAT Temp C	Sat. Steam	280	290	300	310	320	330	340	350	360	370	380	390	400	410	420
40	250,4	1,964	1,990	2,000	2,027	2,054	2,079	2,104	2,129	2,152	2,175	2,198	2,220	2,241	2,262	2,283	2,304
50	263,9	1,962	1,986	1,991	1,995	2,023	2,051	2,078	2,104	2,129	2,154	2,178	2,201	2,224	2,246	2,268	2,289
60	275,6	1,956	1,967	1,982	1,989	1,992	2,020	2,049	2,078	2,105	2,131	2,156	2,181	2,205	2,228	2,251	2,274
65	280,9	1,953	-	1,972	1,984	1,989	2,004	2,034	2,064	2,092	2,119	2,145	2,171	2,195	2,219	2,243	2,266
70	285,8	1,949	-	1,959	1,977	1,985	1,989	2,019	2,049	2,079	2,107	2,134	2,160	2,186	2,210	2,234	2,258
75	290,5	1,944	-	-	1,966	1,979	1,984	2,002	2,035	2,065	2,095	2,123	2,150	2,176	2,201	2,226	2,250
80	295,0	1,939	-	-	1,952	1,971	1,980	1,986	2,019	2,051	2,082	2,111	2,139	2,166	2,192	2,217	2,241
85	299,3	1,933	-	-	1,936	1,960	1,974	1,979	2,003	2,037	2,069	2,099	2,128	2,155	2,182	2,208	2,233
90	303,3	1,927	-	-	-	1,947	1,966	1,974	1,987	2,022	2,055	2,086	2,116	2,145	2,172	2,199	2,224
95	307,3	1,921	-	-	-	1,931	1,955	1,968	1,973	2,006	2,041	2,074	2,105	2,134	2,162	2,189	2,215
100	311,0	1,915	-	-	-	-	1,942	1,960	1,967	1,990	2,026	2,060	2,092	2,123	2,152	2,180	2,207
105	314,6	1,908	-	-	-	-	1,926	1,950	1,961	1,973	2,011	2,046	2,080	2,111	2,141	2,170	2,198
110	318,1	1,900	-	-	-	-	1,908	1,938	1,953	1,961	1,995	2,032	2,067	2,100	2,131	2,160	2,188
115	321,4	1,892	-	-	-	-	-	1,924	1,944	1,953	1,979	2,017	2,054	2,088	2,120	2,150	2,179
120	324,7	1,884	-	-	-	-	-	1,906	1,934	1,946	1,962	2,002	2,040	2,075	2,108	2,140	2,170
125	327,8	1,876	-	-	-	-	-	1,886	1,921	1,938	1,948	1,987	2,026	2,063	2,097	2,129	2,160
130	330,9	1,867	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,906	1,928	1,938	1,971	2,011	2,049	2,085	2,118	2,150
135	333,8	1,857	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,888	1,917	1,931	1,954	1,996	2,036	2,073	2,107	2,140
140	336,7	1,847	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,865	1,904	1,922	1,936	1,981	2,022	2,060	2,096	2,129
145	339,5	1,837	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,840	1,889	1,912	1,922	1,965	2,008	2,047	2,084	2,119
150	342,2	1,826	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,871	1,901	1,912	1,948	1,993	2,034	2,072	2,108
155	344,8	1,814	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,849	1,888	1,905	1,930	1,978	2,020	2,060	2,097
160	347,4	1,802	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,823	1,874	1,895	1,912	1,963	2,007	2,047	2,086
165	349,9	1,789	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,793	1,857	1,884	1,897	1,946	1,993	2,034	2,074
170	352,3	1,775	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,836	1,872	1,886	1,929	1,978	2,022	2,062
175	354,7	1,761	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,811	1,859	1,877	1,910	1,963	2,008	2,050
180	357,0	1,745	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,782	1,843	1,867	1,891	1,947	1,994	2,038

Table 2 (continued)

PRESS bar (abs)	SAT Temp C	Sat. Steam	280	290	300	310	320	330	340	350	360	370	380	390	400	410	420
185	359,3	1,728	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,740	1,824	1,855	1,874	1,930	1,980	2,025
190	361,5	1,709	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,801	1,842	1,860	1,913	1,965	2,012
195	363,6	1,689	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,775	1,828	1,847	1,895	1,950	1,999
200	365,7	1,665	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,743	1,811	1,836	1,876	1,935	1,985
205	367,8	1,638	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,698	1,791	1,824	1,857	1,919	1,971
210	369,8	1,605	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,616	1,768	1,811	1,839	1,902	1,956
215	371,8	1,559	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,742	1,795	1,823	1,885	1,942
220	373,7	1,459	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,710	1,778	1,807	1,866	1,926

NOTE 1 Use linear interpolation for intermediate values of temperature and pressure.

NOTE 2 The temperature increment was selected in such a way to limit the maximum error from linear interpolation to 1 %.

Table 2 — Steam pressure coefficient data, k_s (continued)

Pressure: 40 - 420 bar (abs) — Temperature: 380 °C - 750 °C

PRESS bar (abs)	380	390	400	410	420	440	460	480	500	520	550	600	650	700	750
40	2,220	2,241	2,262	2,283	2,304	2,344	2,384	2,422	2,460	2,497	2,551	2,637	2,721	2,802	2,880
60	2,181	2,205	2,228	2,251	2,274	2,317	2,359	2,400	2,439	2,478	2,534	2,624	2,710	2,793	2,873
80	2,139	2,166	2,192	2,217	2,241	2,288	2,333	2,376	2,418	2,459	2,517	2,611	2,699	2,784	2,865
100	2,092	2,123	2,152	2,180	2,207	2,258	2,306	2,352	2,396	2,439	2,500	2,597	2,688	2,774	2,857
120	2,040	2,075	2,108	2,140	2,170	2,226	2,278	2,327	2,374	2,419	2,483	2,583	2,676	2,765	2,849
140	1,981	2,022	2,060	2,096	2,129	2,191	2,248	2,300	2,350	2,397	2,464	2,568	2,665	2,755	2,841
160	1,912	1,963	2,007	2,047	2,086	2,154	2,216	2,273	2,326	2,376	2,446	2,553	2,653	2,745	2,833
180	1,867	1,891	1,947	1,994	2,038	2,115	2,182	2,244	2,300	2,353	2,427	2,538	2,641	2,736	2,825
200	1,811	1,836	1,876	1,935	1,985	2,072	2,147	2,213	2,273	2,329	2,407	2,523	2,628	2,726	2,817
210	1,768	1,811	1,839	1,902	1,956	2,050	2,128	2,197	2,260	2,317	2,397	2,515	2,622	2,721	2,813
220	1,710	1,778	1,807	1,866	1,926	2,026	2,109	2,181	2,246	2,305	2,386	2,508	2,616	2,716	2,809
230	1,611	1,737	1,776	1,828	1,895	2,002	2,089	2,165	2,232	2,293	2,376	2,500	2,610	2,711	2,804
240	1,311	1,682	1,744	1,789	1,861	1,976	2,069	2,148	2,217	2,280	2,366	2,492	2,603	2,705	2,800
250	1,183	1,607	1,704	1,750	1,825	1,950	2,048	2,130	2,202	2,267	2,355	2,484	2,597	2,700	2,796
260	1,087	1,481	1,655	1,708	1,785	1,922	2,027	2,112	2,187	2,254	2,344	2,476	2,591	2,695	2,792
270	0,990	1,327	1,594	1,670	1,741	1,892	2,004	2,094	2,172	2,241	2,333	2,467	2,584	2,690	2,788
280	0,926	1,194	1,513	1,623	1,697	1,861	1,981	2,076	2,157	2,228	2,322	2,459	2,578	2,685	2,783
290	0,881	1,089	1,402	1,567	1,656	1,829	1,957	2,057	2,140	2,214	2,311	2,451	2,571	2,680	2,779
300	0,849	1,017	1,273	1,499	1,608	1,796	1,932	2,037	2,124	2,200	2,300	2,442	2,565	2,674	2,775
320	0,805	0,928	1,102	1,332	1,501	1,723	1,879	1,997	2,091	2,172	2,277	2,425	2,552	2,664	2,766
340	0,778	0,877	1,012	1,192	1,380	1,647	1,823	1,954	2,056	2,143	2,254	2,408	2,538	2,653	2,758
360	0,761	0,844	0,954	1,097	1,270	1,566	1,765	1,909	2,021	2,113	2,230	2,391	2,525	2,643	2,749
380	0,750	0,822	0,916	1,036	1,186	1,485	1,706	1,862	1,984	2,082	2,206	2,373	2,511	2,632	2,741
400	0,743	0,808	0,890	0,995	1,124	1,409	1,645	1,815	1,946	2,051	2,181	2,355	2,498	2,621	2,732
420	0,740	0,798	0,872	0,965	1,079	1,343	1,585	1,768	1,908	2,019	2,156	2,337	2,484	2,610	2,723

NOTE 1 Use linear interpolation for intermediate values of temperature and pressure.

NOTE 2 The temperature increment was selected in such a way to limit the maximum error from linear interpolation to 1 %.

Table 4 — Theoretical capacity correction factors for sub-critical flow (K_b)

$k >$	0,4	0,5	0,6	0,7	0,8	0,9	1,001	1,1	1,2	1,3	1,4	1,5	1,6	1,7	1,8	1,9	2,0	2,1	2,2	$< k$	
p_h/p_0																					p_h/p_0
0,45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	0,999	0,999	0,999	0,45
0,50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	0,999	0,998	0,996	0,994	0,992	0,989	0,989	0,50
0,55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	0,993	0,989	0,983	0,978	0,972	0,967	0,961	0,955	0,950	0,971	0,971	0,55
0,60	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	0,999	0,997	0,993	0,989	0,983	0,978	0,972	0,967	0,961	0,955	0,950	0,945	0,945	0,60
0,65	-	-	-	-	0,999	0,999	0,995	0,989	0,982	0,974	0,967	0,959	0,951	0,943	0,936	0,929	0,922	0,915	0,909	0,909	0,65
0,70	-	-	0,999	0,999	0,993	0,985	0,975	0,964	0,953	0,943	0,932	0,922	0,913	0,903	0,895	0,886	0,878	0,871	0,864	0,864	0,70
0,75	-	1,000	0,995	0,983	0,968	0,953	0,938	0,923	0,909	0,896	0,884	0,872	0,861	0,851	0,841	0,832	0,824	0,815	0,808	0,808	0,75
0,80	0,999	0,985	0,965	0,942	0,921	0,900	0,881	0,864	0,847	0,832	0,819	0,806	0,794	0,783	0,773	0,764	0,755	0,747	0,739	0,739	0,80
0,82	0,992	0,970	0,944	0,918	0,894	0,872	0,851	0,833	0,817	0,801	0,787	0,774	0,762	0,752	0,741	0,732	0,723	0,715	0,707	0,707	0,82
0,84	0,979	0,948	0,917	0,888	0,862	0,839	0,818	0,799	0,782	0,766	0,752	0,739	0,727	0,716	0,706	0,697	0,688	0,680	0,672	0,672	0,84
0,86	0,957	0,919	0,884	0,852	0,825	0,800	0,778	0,759	0,742	0,727	0,712	0,700	0,688	0,677	0,677	0,658	0,649	0,641	0,634	0,634	0,86
0,88	0,924	0,880	0,842	0,809	0,780	0,755	0,733	0,714	0,697	0,682	0,668	0,655	0,644	0,633	0,624	0,615	0,606	0,599	0,592	0,592	0,88
0,90	0,880	0,831	0,791	0,757	0,728	0,703	0,681	0,662	0,645	0,631	0,617	0,605	0,594	0,584	0,575	0,566	0,558	0,551	0,544	0,544	0,90
0,92	0,820	0,769	0,727	0,693	0,664	0,640	0,619	0,601	0,585	0,571	0,559	0,547	0,537	0,527	0,519	0,511	0,504	0,497	0,490	0,490	0,92
0,94	0,739	0,687	0,647	0,614	0,587	0,564	0,545	0,528	0,514	0,501	0,489	0,479	0,470	0,461	0,453	0,446	0,440	0,434	0,428	0,428	0,94
0,96	0,628	0,579	0,542	0,513	0,489	0,469	0,452	0,438	0,425	0,414	0,404	0,395	0,387	0,380	0,373	0,367	0,362	0,357	0,352	0,352	0,96
0,98	0,462	0,422	0,393	0,371	0,352	0,337	0,325	0,314	0,305	0,296	0,289	0,282	0,277	0,271	0,266	0,262	0,258	0,254	0,251	0,251	0,98
1,00	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	1,00

7.4 Estimating chart for compressibility factor, Z

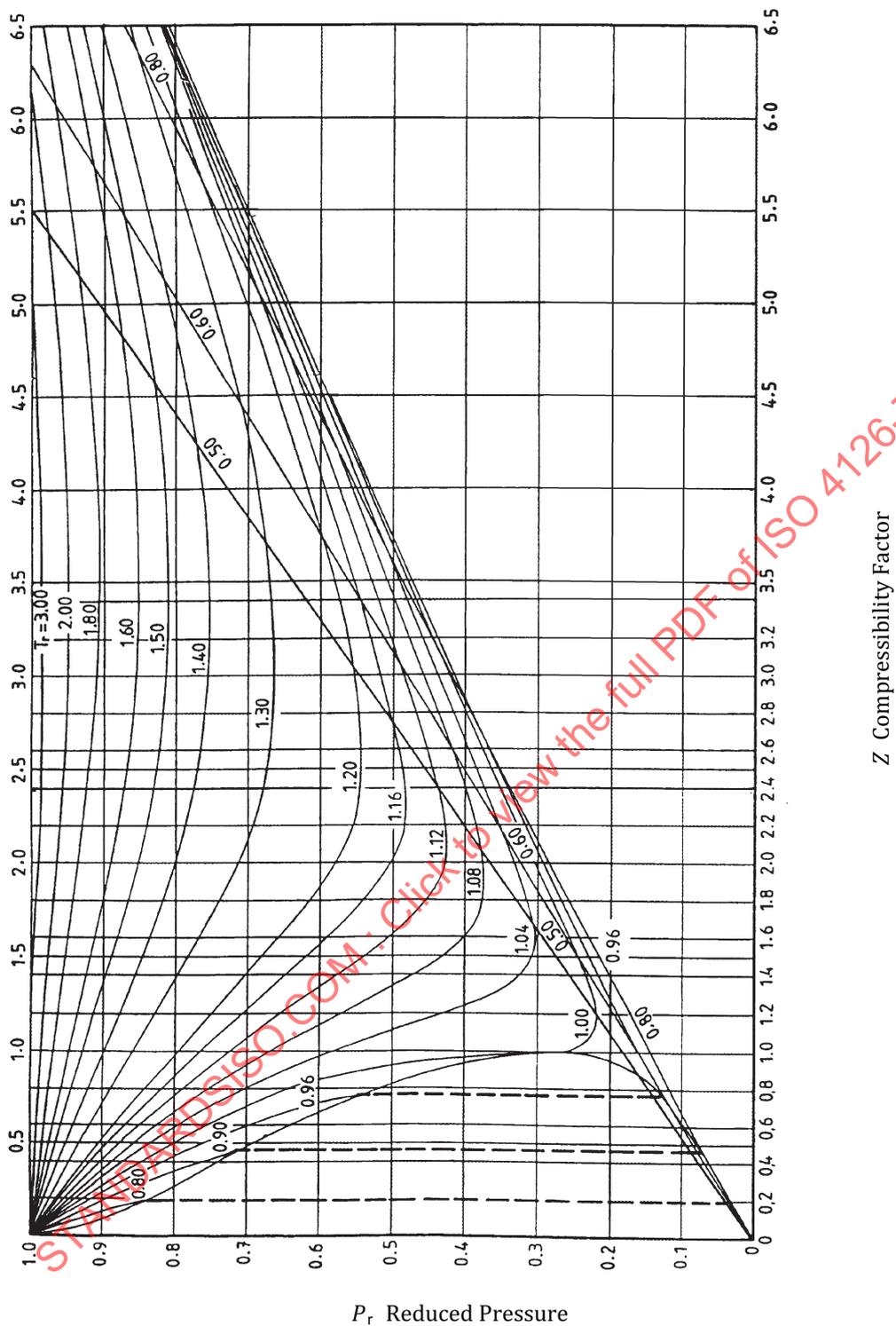
The estimating chart which shows the compressibility factor Z depending on the reduced pressure is given in [Figure 1](#).

The reduced pressure and reduced temperature can be calculated using Formula (27) and Formula (28) respectively.

$$p_r = \frac{p_o}{p_c} \quad (27)$$

$$T_r = \frac{T_o}{T_c} \quad (28)$$

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Key

- P_r Reduced pressure
- T_r Reduced temperature
- Z Compressibility factor

Figure 1 — Estimating chart for compressibility factor, Z

7.5 Capacity correction factor for viscosity, K_v

7.5.1 The capacity correction factor for viscosity, K_v is shown in [Figure 2](#).

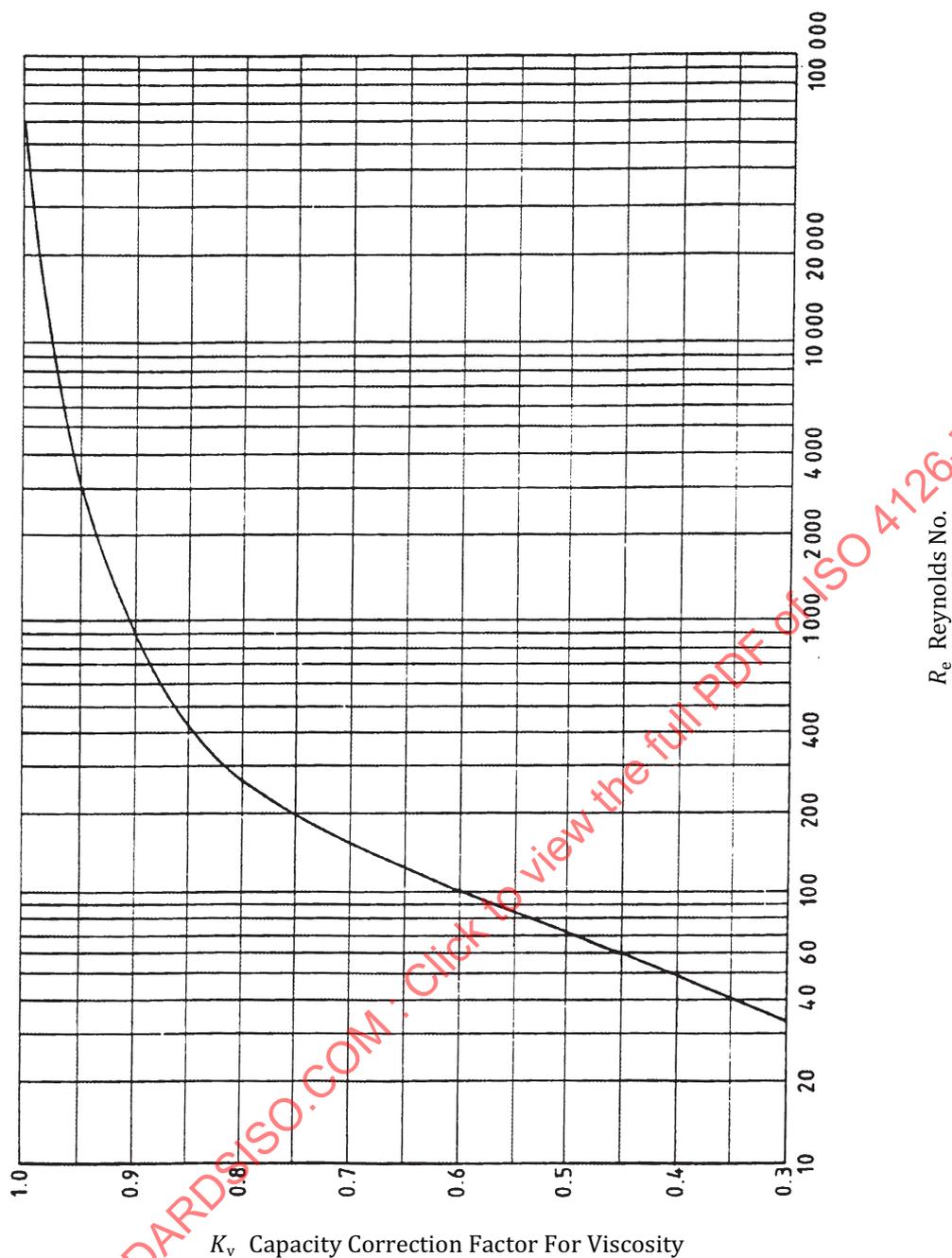
7.5.2 The following equation can also be used to determine K_v . It is an approximate curve fit for the graph in [Figure 2](#) and users should check the results for agreement with the curve. The equation should not be used to extrapolate data beyond the curve axes' limits.

$$K_v = \left(0,9935 + \frac{2,878}{Re^{0,5}} + \frac{342,75}{Re^{1,5}} \right)^{-1,0} \quad (29)$$

7.5.3 Formula (30) can be used to calculate Reynolds Number.

$$Re = \left(\frac{Q_m}{3,6\mu_o} \right) \sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi A}} \quad (30)$$

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Key

- K_v Capacity correction factor for viscosity
- R_e Reynolds number

Figure 2 — Capacity correction factor for viscosity, K_v

7.6 Properties of gases

The properties of gases are given in [Table 5](#).

Table 5 — Properties of gases

Gas	Symbol	Molecular mass, M kg/kmol	Isentropic exponent, k at 1,013 bar (abs) and 15°C	Critical pressure, p_c Pressure bar (abs)	Critical temperature, T_c	Critical pressure ratio
					K	
Acetylene	C ₂ H ₂	26,02	1,26	62,82	309,15	0,553
Air	-	28,96	1,40	37,69	132,45	0,528
Ammonia	NH ₃	17,03	1,31	112,98	405,55	0,544
Argon	A (or Ar)	39,91	1,66	48,64	151,15	0,488
n-Butane	C ₄ H ₁₀	58,08	1,11	36,48	426,15	0,583
Carbon dioxide	CO ₂	44,00	1,30	73,97	304,25	0,546
Carbon monoxide	CO	28,00	1,40	35,46	134,15	0,528
Chlorine	Cl ₂	70,91	1,35	77,11	417,15	0,537
Chlorodifluoromethane (R-22)	CHClF ₂	86,47	1,18	49,14	370,15	0,568
Ethane	C ₂ H ₆	30,05	1,22	49,45	305,25	0,561
Ethylene	C ₂ H ₄	28,03	1,25	51,57	282,85	0,555
Hydrogen	H ₂	2,015	1,41	12,97	33,25	0,527
Hydrogen chloride	HCl	36,46	1,41	82,68	324,55	0,527
Hydrogen sulphide	H ₂ S	34,08	1,32	90,08	373,55	0,542
Isobutane	CH(CH ₃) ₃	58,08	1,11	37,49	407,15	0,583
Methane	CH ₄	16,03	1,31	46,41	190,65	0,544
Methyl chloride	CH ₃ Cl	50,48	1,28	66,47	416,25	0,549
Nitrogen	N ₂	28,02	1,40	33,94	126,05	0,528
Nitrous oxide	N ₂ O	44,02	1,30	72,65	309,65	0,546
Oxygen	O ₂	32,00	1,40	50,36	154,35	0,528
Propane	C ₃ H ₈	44,06	1,13	43,57	368,75	0,578
Propylene	C ₃ H ₆	42,05	1,15	46,60	365,45	0,574
Sulphur dioxide	SO ₂	64,07	1,29	78,73	430,35	0,548

8 Minimum requirements for helical compression springs

8.1 General

The spring manufacturer shall, if requested, supply a certificate stating that the springs have been made from the prescribed material, and have been tested in accordance with ISO 4126-7.

The allowable stresses shall be based on previous satisfactory experience and the current understanding of the behaviour of spring materials taking into consideration the temperature of the spring, the environment and the amount of relaxation, which is permissible in service.

8.2 Materials

Safety valve spring materials shall be suitable for the intended service conditions.

8.3 Marking

Springs shall be marked by suitable means to ensure positive identification. When the identification method is metal stamping or etching, it shall be confined to the inactive coils.

In the case of stock springs, when the above is not practicable, identification shall be by a tag or other suitable method.

8.4 Dimensions

Subclause 8.4 provides dimensional requirements for helical springs. Deviations to these requirements are permitted if the springs design can be proven fit for service.

8.4.1 Proportion

The proportion of the unloaded length to the mean diameter of the spring shall not exceed five to one.

8.4.2 Spring index

The spring index, i.e. the mean diameter of the coil divided by the diameter of the section, shall be within the range 3 to 12.

8.4.3 Coil spacing

The pitch of the coils shall be regular. The spring compression shall be no greater than 80 % of the nominal (calculated) deflection from the free length to the solid length.

8.4.4 End coils

Springs with nominally parallel ends shall have both ends of each spring closed against the adjacent full coils, and ground.

The ends of the springs shall present a flat bearing surface of between 270° and 300° of the circumference at right angles to the axis [see [Figure 3 e](#)], so that when placed on end on a horizontal plane the springs shall be within the limits shown in [Figures 3 a](#)) and [3 c](#)).

Smooth consistent tapers to smooth edges shall be provided with a coil tip thickness approximately equal to one quarter of the section (bar/wire) diameter.

The end coils shall not encroach upon the specified inside and outside diameters [see [Figure 3 e](#)].

Springs with other than nominally parallel ends are allowed if the criteria for springs with nominally parallel ends are met when the spring plate(s)/button(s) is (are) fitted [see [Figures 3 b](#)) and [3 d](#)].

8.5 Spring plates/buttons

The spring plates/buttons shall have a location, which allows the spring to rotate freely.

8.6 Inspection, testing and tolerances

8.6.1 Permanent set

All springs shall be tested for permanent set. The permanent set of the spring is defined as the change in the spring's free length as a result of a series of compression cycles to solid in accordance with the safety valve manufacturer's specification or other appropriate standard. The spring shall be compressed to solid at least three times before determining the initial free length. The spring shall then be compressed to solid at least three more times before measuring the final free length. The permanent set shall not exceed 0,5 % of the initial free length.

8.6.2 Dimensional checks

Each spring shall be subjected to the following minimum checks:

- a) load/length at the maximum compression at which the spring will be used, or the spring rate over a given range below 80 % of the calculated total deflection, in the linear range;
- b) dimensional check of coil diameter and free length;
- c) dimensional check for end squareness; by standing the spring on a surface plate against a square and measuring the maximum deviation between the top end coil and the square;

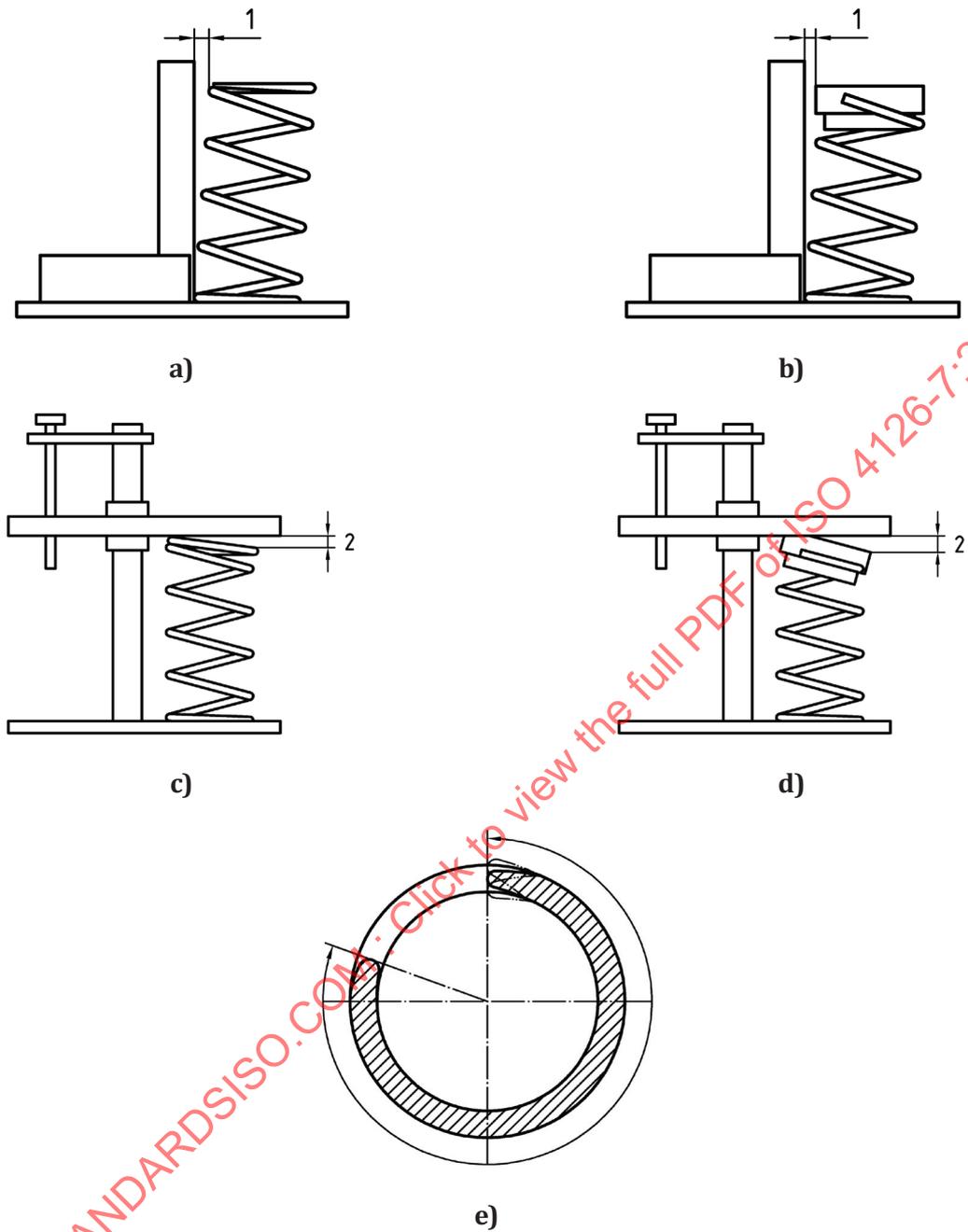
With springs having nominally parallel ends this shall be repeated with the spring reversed end for end [see [Figures 3 a\)](#) and [3 b\)](#)].

- d) dimensional check for end parallelism, where appropriate; by standing the spring on a surface plate and measuring the difference between the levels of the lowest and highest points of the surface of the upper end.

These measurements shall be repeated with the spring reversed end for end where applicable [see [Figures 3 a\)](#) and [3 b\)](#)].

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The constants 'e' and 'f' in [Figure 3](#) are to be determined by the valve manufacturer.



Key

- 1 = $e \times$ free length
- 2 = $f \times$ mean diameter of spring

NOTE 1 When the end coil of the spring toes out from the spring outside diameter or into the inside diameter, the toe in or out portion shall be ground to match the spring outside diameter or inside diameter as applicable.

NOTE 2 The flat bearing surface at the end of the spring shall be between 300° and 270° of the circumference.

Figure 3 — Illustration of an end coil