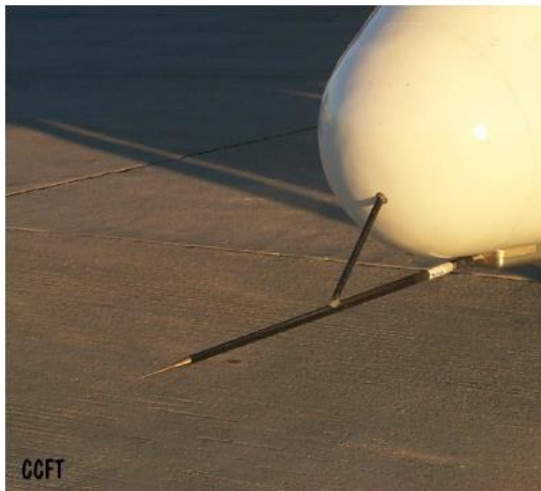
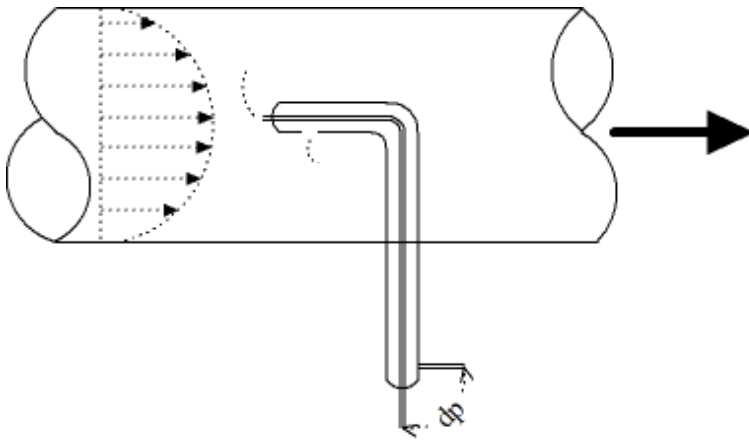
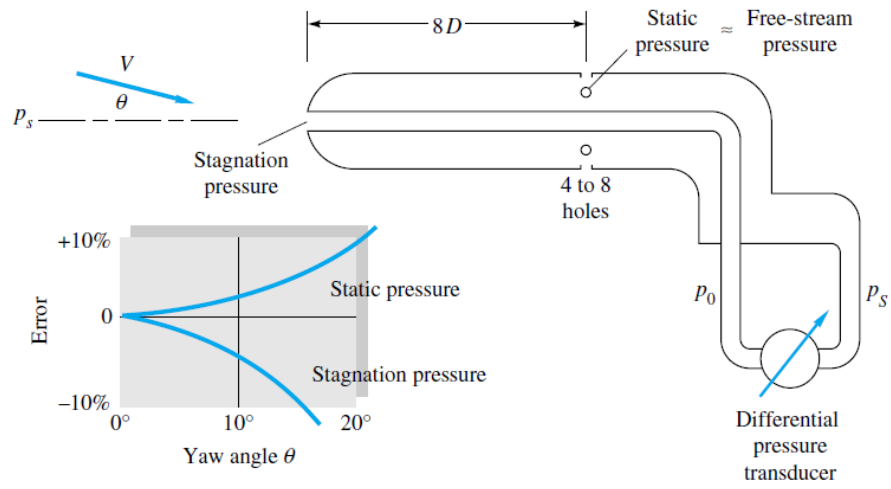


Local velocity measurement: Pitot's tube

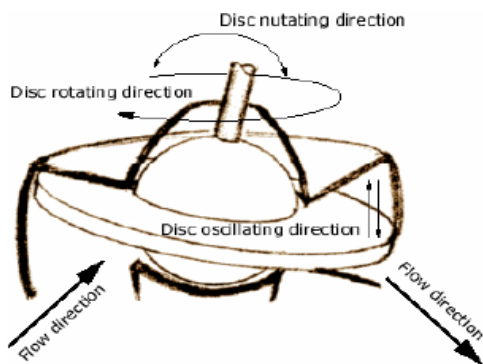


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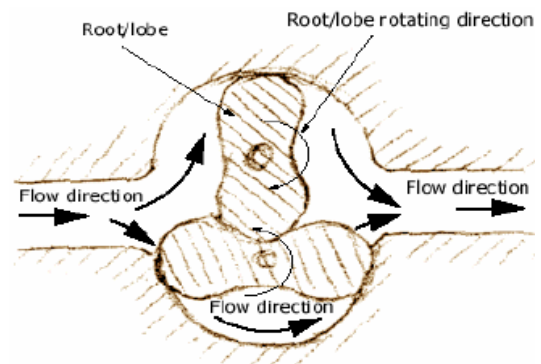
The mechanical instruments measure actual mass or volume of fluid by trapping it and counting it, i.e., *direct measurement*. The various types of measurement are:

1. Mass measurement
 - a. Weighing tanks
 - b. Tilting traps
2. Volume measurement
 - a. Volume tanks
 - b. Reciprocating pistons (*Positive displacement flowmeters*)
 - c. Rotating slotted rings
 - d. Nutating disk
 - e. Sliding vanes
 - f. Gear or lobed impellers
 - g. Reciprocating bellows
 - h. Sealed-drum compartments

The last three of these are suitable for gas flow measurement.



Nutating disk



Rotating lobe



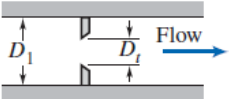
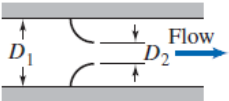
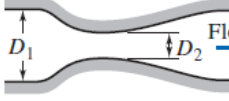
Household water meter

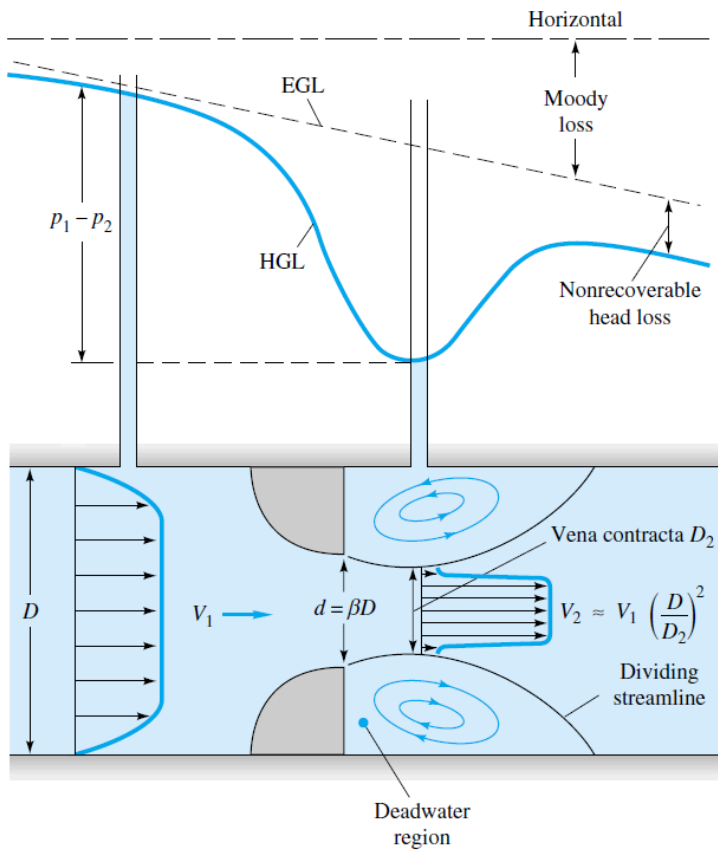


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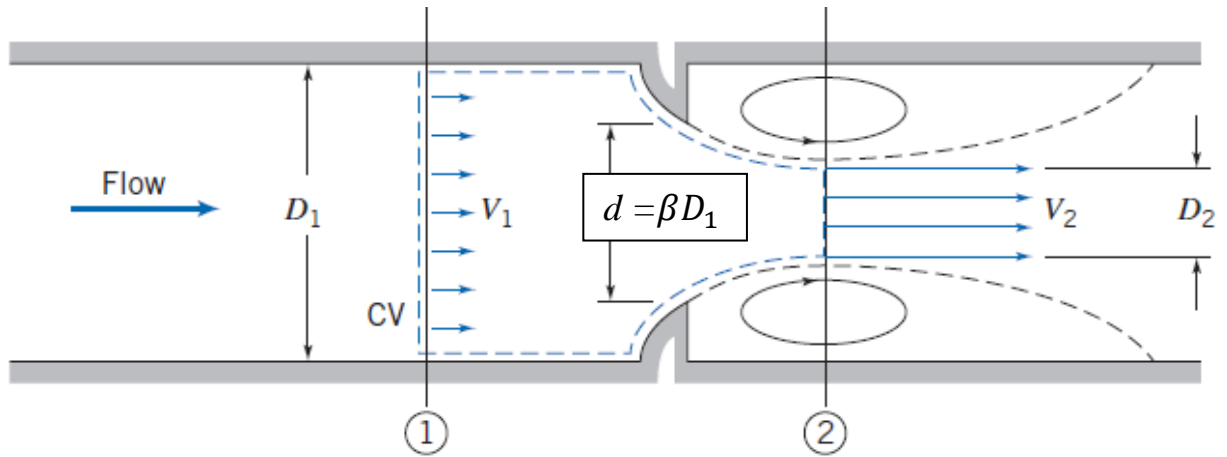
The head-loss devices obstruct the flow and cause a pressure drop which is a measure of flux:

1. Bernoulli-type devices
 - a. Thin-plate orifice
 - b. Flow nozzle
 - c. Venturi tube

Flow Meter Type	Diagram	Head Loss	Initial Cost
Orifice		High	Low
Flow Nozzle		Intermediate	Intermediate
Venturi		Low	High



Principle of operation Bernoulli restriction/obstruction meters:



Standard designs

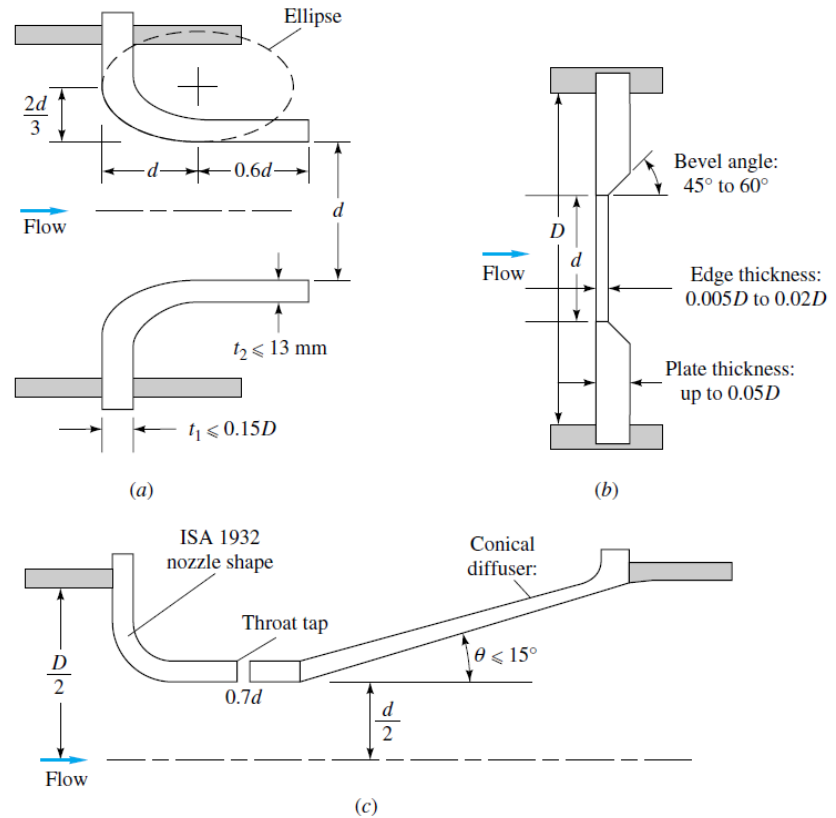


Fig. 6.39 International standard shapes for the three primary Bernoulli obstruction-type meters: (a) long radius nozzle; (b) thin-plate orifice; (c) venturi nozzle.

Correlations for C_D and β :

Concentric orifice:

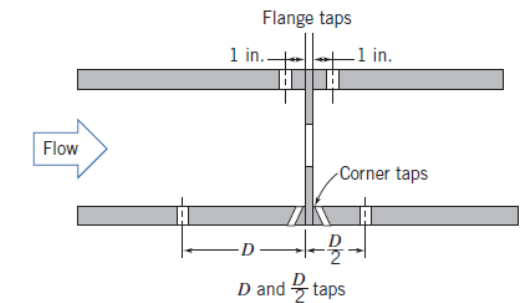
$$C_D = 0.5959 + 0.0312\beta^{2.1} - 0.184\beta^8 + 91.71\beta^{2.5}Re_D^{-0.75} + \frac{0.09\beta^4}{1-\beta^4}F_1 - 0.0337\beta^3F_2$$

1) **Corner taps:** $F_1 = 0; F_2 = 0$

2) **$D:\frac{1}{2}D$ taps:** $F_1 = 0.4333; F_2 = 0.47$

3) **Flange taps:**

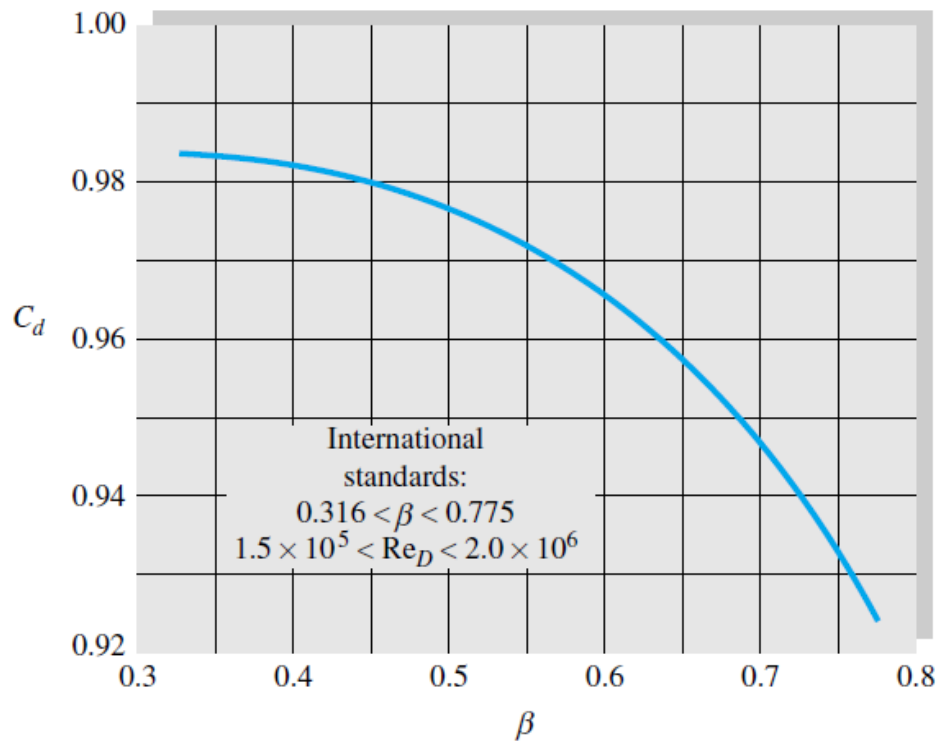
$$F_2 = \frac{1}{D \text{ (in)}} \quad F_1 = \begin{cases} 1 \\ D \text{ (in)} \\ 0.4333 \end{cases}$$



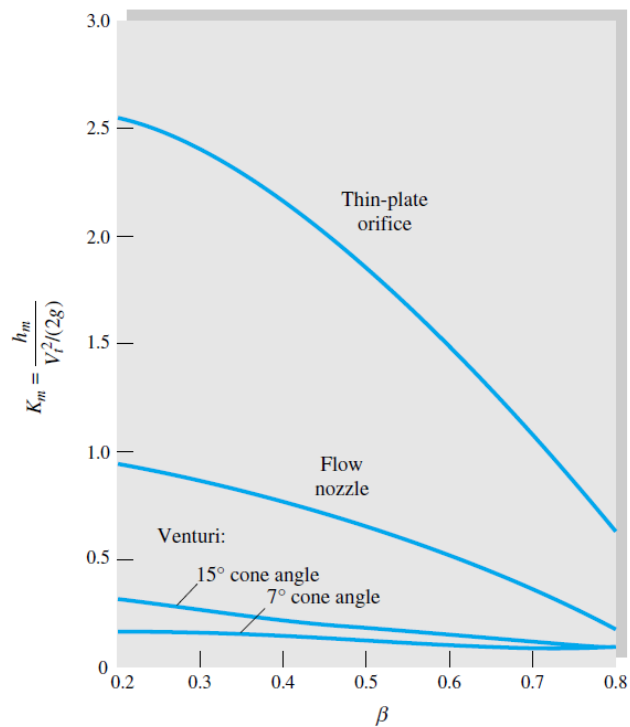
$$D > 2.3 \text{ in} \\ 2.0 \leq D \leq 2.3 \text{ in}$$

Long radius flow nozzle: $C_D = 0.9975 - \frac{6.53\beta^{0.5}}{Re_D^{0.5}}$

Venturi meter: $C_d \approx 0.9858 - 0.196\beta^{4.5}$



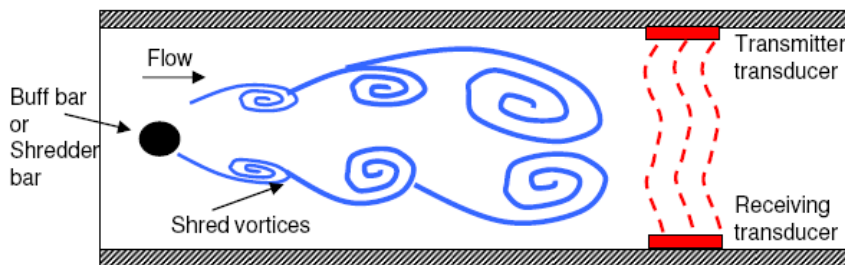
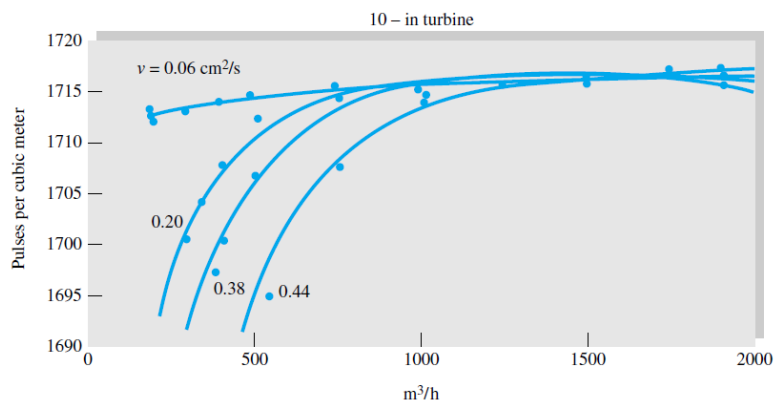
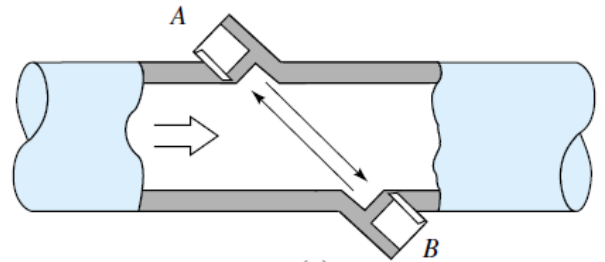
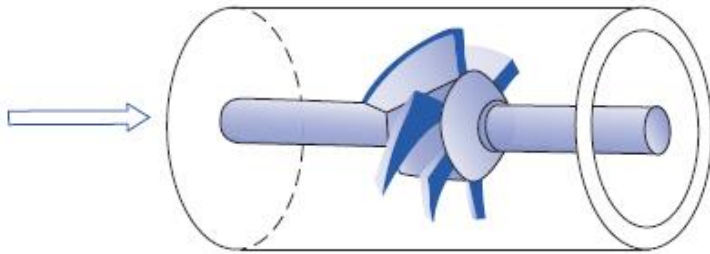
Non-recoverable Losses:

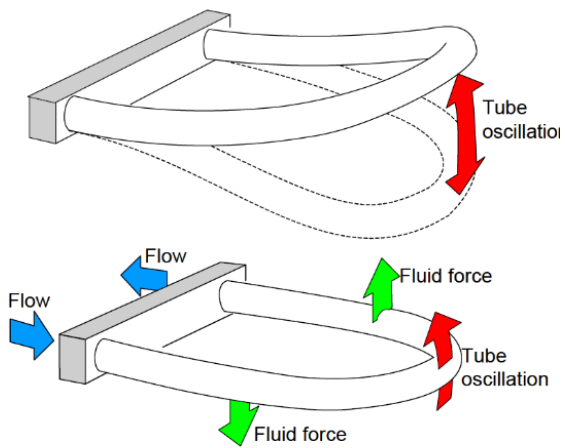


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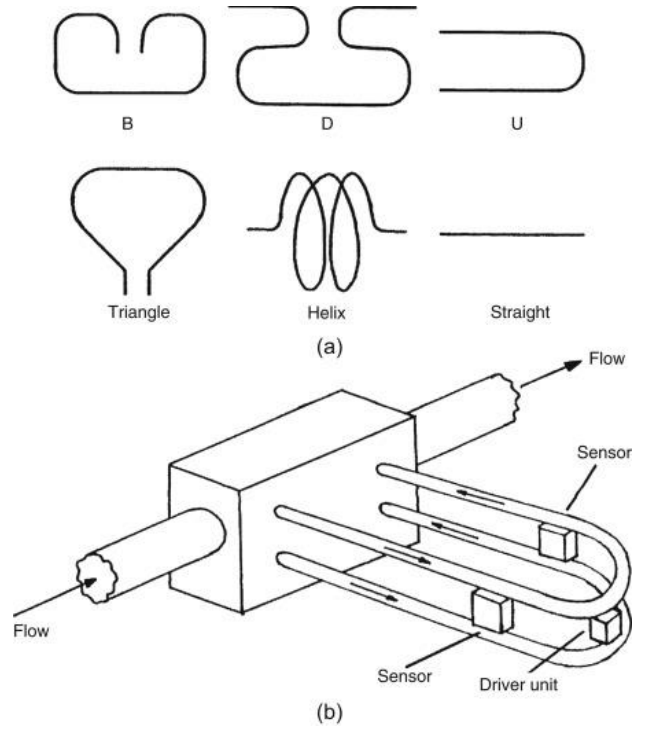
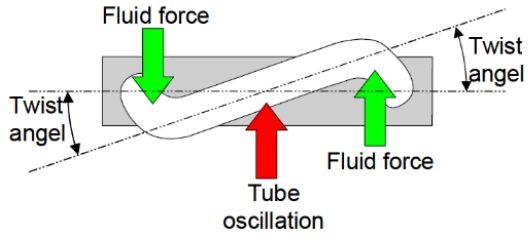
Six other widely used meters operate on different physical principles:

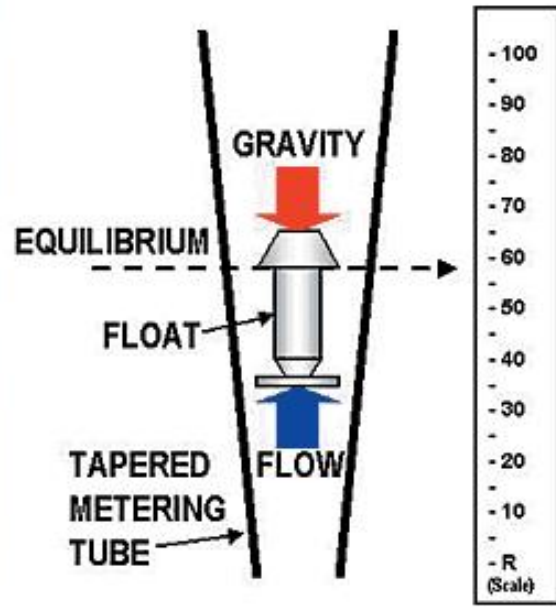
1. Turbine meter
2. Vortex meter
3. Ultrasonic flowmeter
4. Rotameter
5. Coriolis mass flowmeter
6. Laminar flow element

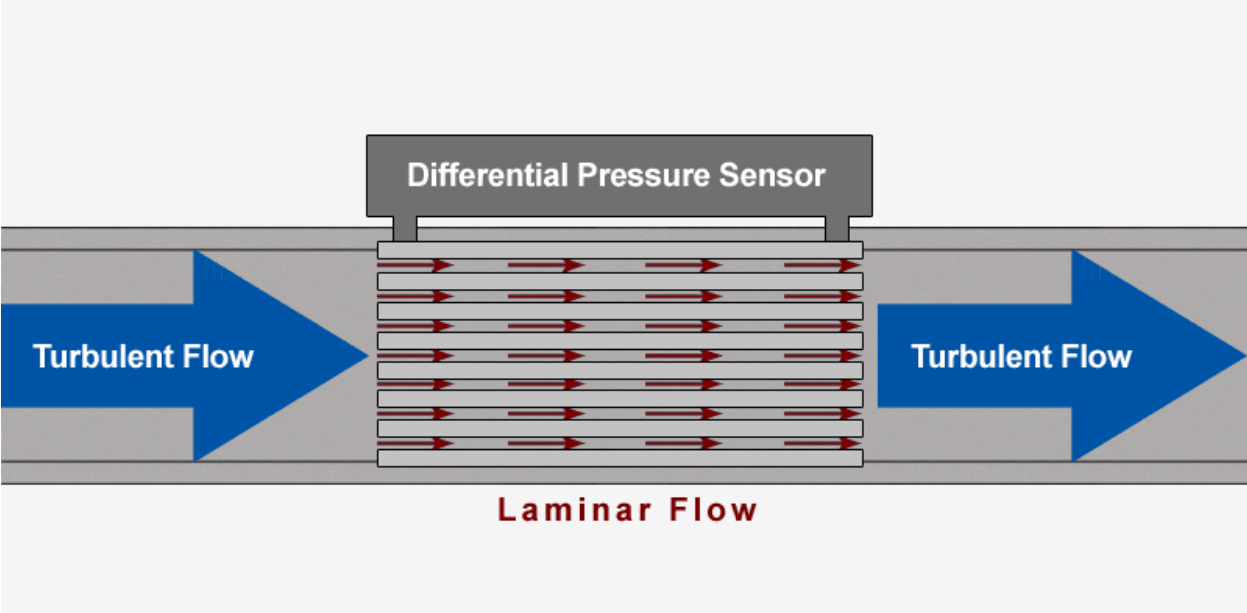




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