



With no flow condition: pressure in Tank A is 260000Pa Tank B and pipe is 250000Pa as shown above

Then activated solenoid valve fully open, compressed air will flow from A through Pipe to B

My goal is to calculate flow rate from Tank A to B for selecting size of two pressure control device (pressure regulator and pressure relief) to keep constant of pressure in the two tanks

Density: For $dP = 10000$ Pa then the pressure drop is $(10000/260000) \times 100 = 3.8\%$

The density used for fluid can based upon either the upstream or downstream conditions.(page12 in pipe-flo pro)

From ideal gas law with constant volume

$$P = \rho R_{\text{air}} T$$

$$(260000 + 101326) = \rho (287.04)(300)$$

So $\rho = 4.196 \text{ kg/m}^3$

Reynolds's number

$$Re = \rho v D / \mu$$

for air, $\mu = 1.98e^{-5}$

So $Re = 4.196(0.0508) v / 1.98e^{-5}$

$Re = 10765.5v$

From Darcy-Weisbach Eqn. (Eq1 in pipe-flo pro with gravitational cancel out)

$$dP = f\rho(L/D)v^2/2$$

$$10000 = f (4.196) (2/0.0508) v^2 / 2$$

$$f = 121.0677/ v^2$$

$f^{1/2} = 11.003/v$

Assume $Re > 2100$

Calculate for Colebrook Eqn. (Eq.6 in pipe-flo pro)

$$1/ (f^{1/2}) = -0.869 \ln [(e/D)/3.7 + 2.523/ (Re f^{1/2})]$$

For copper tube type M, roughness (e) = 0.0015 mm

Pipe Diameter=50.8mm

$$v / 11.003 = -0.869 \ln [(0.0015/3.7(50.8)) + 2.523/(10765.5v)(11.003/v)]$$

Then $v = 99.77 \text{ m/s}$

$$f = 121.0677/v^2 = 0.0122$$

$$Re = 10765.5v = 1.07e^{06}$$