

PRESENTATION ON

**“AUTO CONTROL
LOOP SYSTEM”**

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CONTROL SYSTEM

A **Control System** is a set of Electronic devices that regulates the behaviour of other systems.

Control system are used in industrial production for controlling equipment or machines.

Control System is depends upon measuring instrumentation in power plant ,which are based on:-

- Temperature sensing element (SH TEMP CONTROL)
- Pressure Transmitter (FURNACE DRAFT CONTROL)
- Level Transmitter (DRUM LEVEL CONTROL)
- Flow Transmitter (AIR FLOW CONTROL)

There are two types of control system-

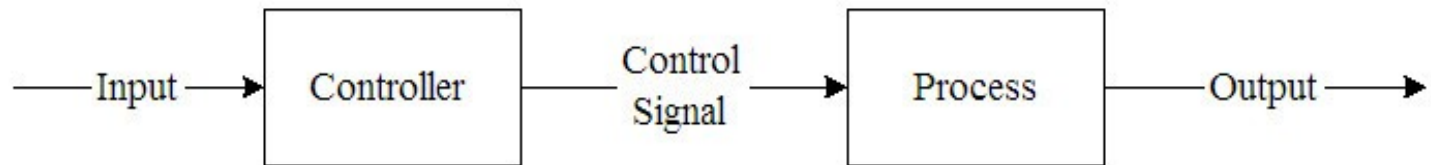
➤ **OPEN LOOP CONTROL SYSTEM :**

In open loop control system, controller output is generated based on inputs without monitoring feedback.

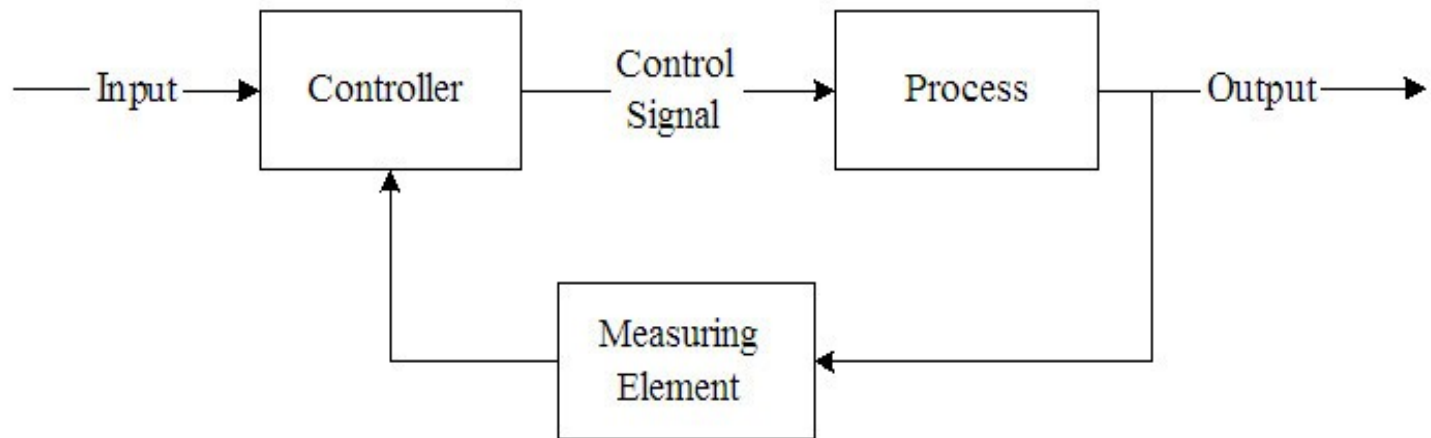
➤ **CLOSED LOOP CONTROL SYSTEM:**

In closed loop control system, controller output is taken into consideration and corrections are made based on feedback. A closed loop system is also called a feedback control system.

BLOCK DIAGRAM OF CONTROL SYSTEM



Open Loop System



Closed Loop System

AUTO CONTROL LOOP SYSTEM

When talking about automatic control theory certain standard terms are used.

BASIC AUTOMATIC CONTROL TERMS:-

➤ **PROCESS VALUE**

➤ **DESIRED VALUE(SET POINT)**

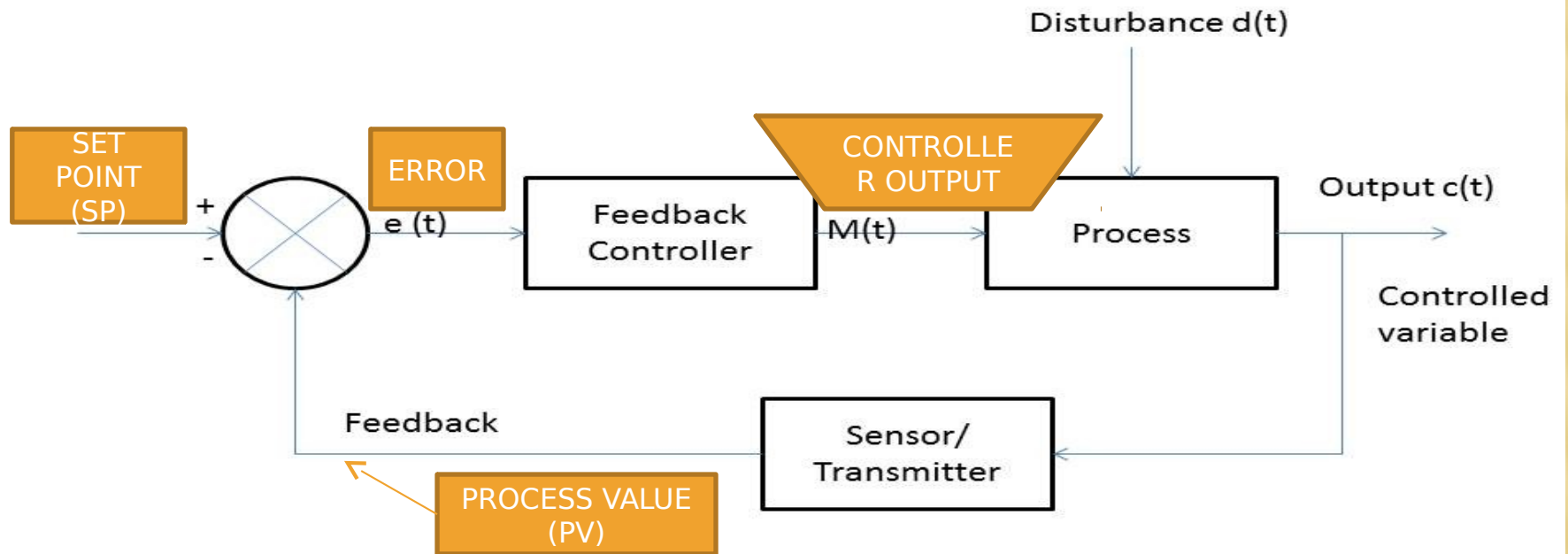
➤ **MEASURED VALUE(FEEDBACK VALUE)**

➤ **DEVIATION (ERROR)**

ERROR= SET POINT (SP) - PROCESS VALUE (PV)

➤ **CONTROLLER**

Feedback Control System



TYPES OF CONTROL ACTION

➤ PROPORTIONAL ACTION :

The Proportional controller output is directly proportional to the change in the error. If there is no process change, there is no change in output from the controller.

Controller output = Gain value(P) set from DCS X Error(e)

➤ INTEGRAL ACTION (RESET):

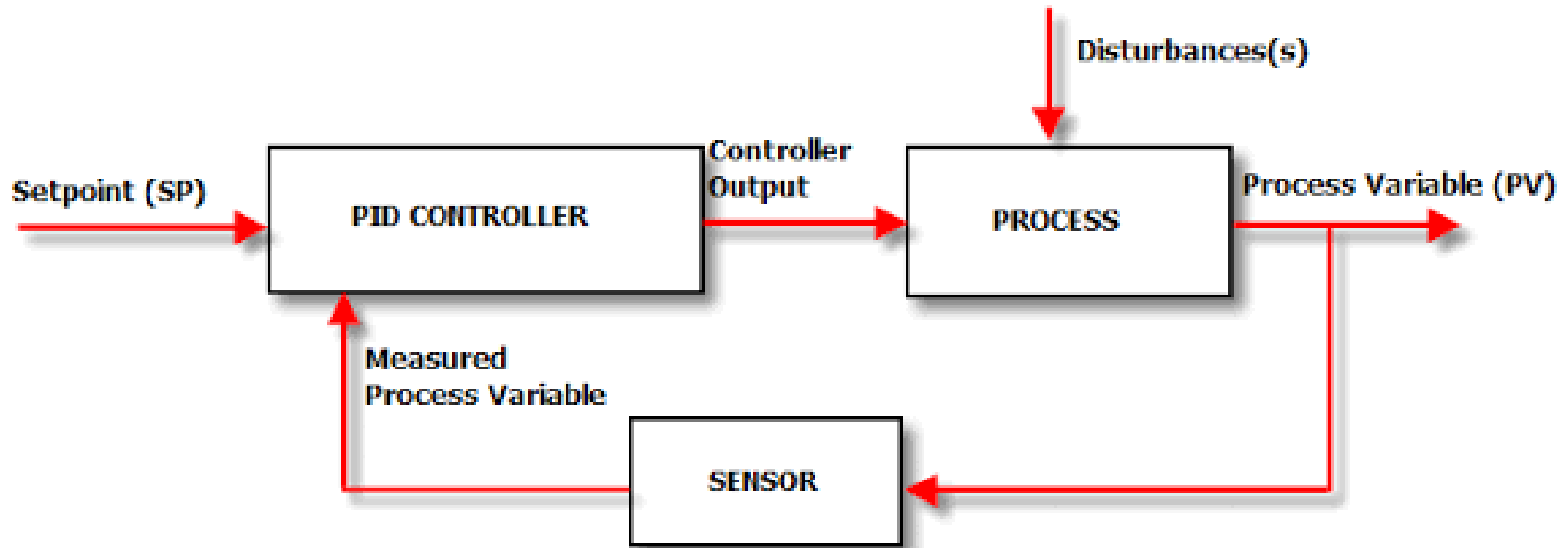
Integral controller is provided to eliminate the offset that resultant from the proportional controller. Integral action is a function of both time and magnitude of deviation. Reset action continues as long as there is a difference between the set point and process value.

➤ DERIVATIVE ACTION (RATE):

The Derivative action is directly related to how fast the process changes. Derivative action is the advanced action of the proportional controller. Derivative acts at the start of the process change, when the process change its rate.

We used these above control actions as per process requirement. The combination of all control actions is called a PID Controller.

PID CONTROLLER



A Proportional–Integral–Derivative controller (PID controller) is a control loop feedback mechanism commonly used in industrial control systems. A PID controller continuously calculates an error value $e(t)$ as the difference between a desired set point and a measured process variable.

$$\text{ERROR} = \text{SET POINT} - \text{PROCESS VALUE}$$

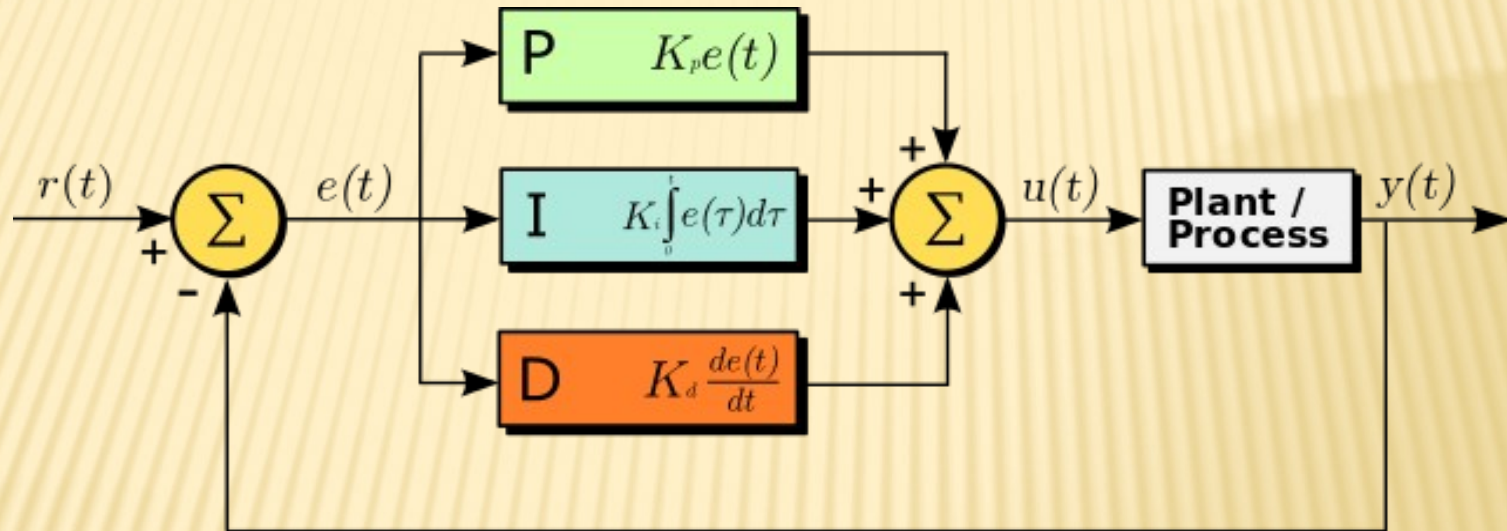
FUNCTION OF PID CONTROLLER

- To reduce errors by automatically adjusting the systems input.
- To improve stability of an unstable system.
- To increase or reduce the system's sensitivity.
- To enhance robustness against external disturbances to the process.
- To produce a reliable performance.

WHAT IS PID TUNING?

Tuning is adjustment of control parameters to the optimum values for the desired control response. Stability is a basic requirement. However, different systems have different behavior, different applications have different requirements, and requirements may conflict with one another.

MATHEMATICAL EXPRESSION OF PID CONTROLLER



Where,

K_p - Proportional gain,

K_d - Derivative gain,

e(t) - Error,

y(t) - Measured value

K_i - Integral gain

r(t) - Set point

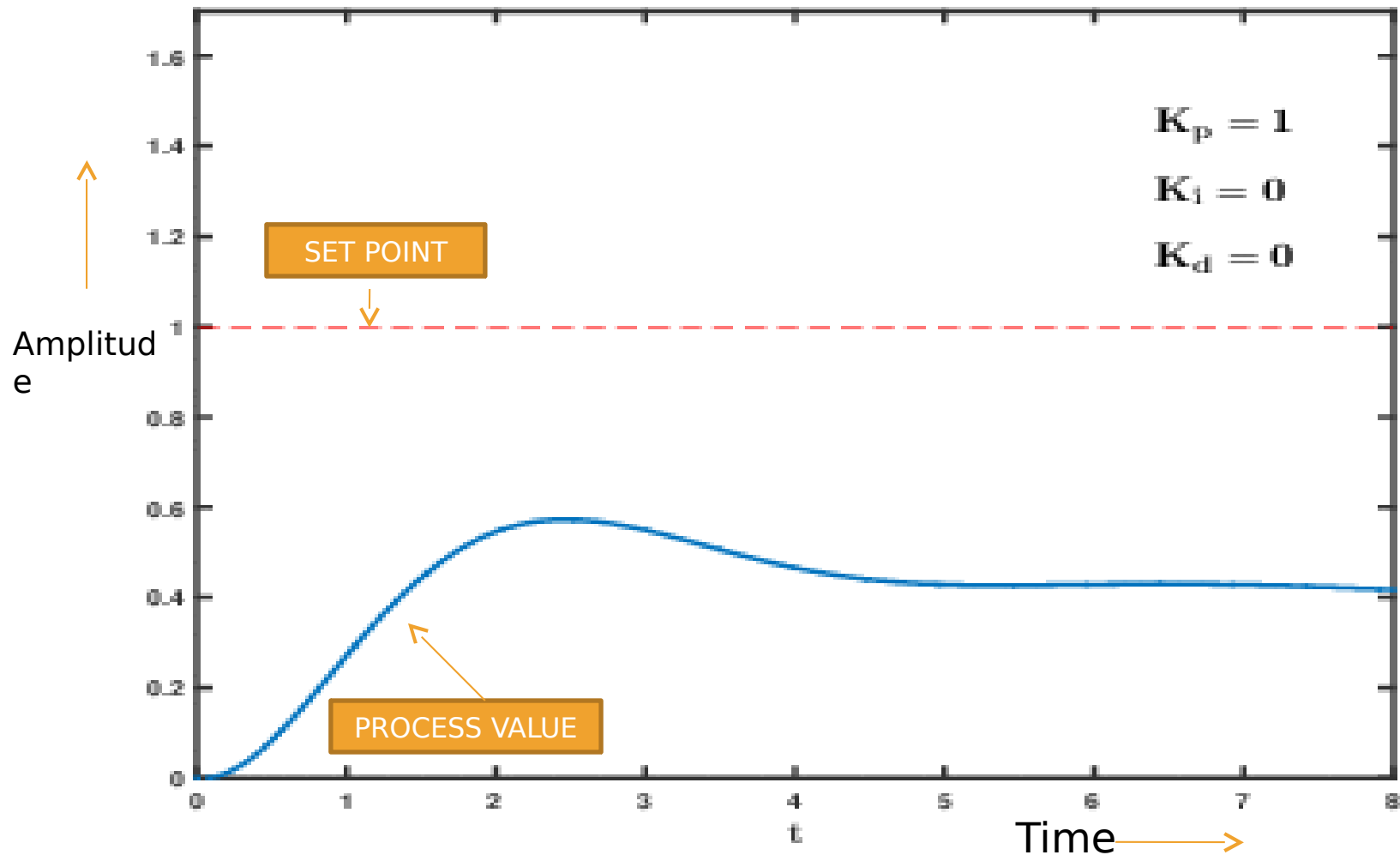
u(t) - Control output

As a PID controller relies only on the measured process variable, not on knowledge of the underlying process. By tuning the three parameters of the model, a PID controller can deal with specific process requirements.

Final controller output is calculated as-

$$u(t) = \overbrace{K_p e(t)}^{\text{Proportional}} + \overbrace{K_i \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau}^{\text{Integral}} + \overbrace{K_d \frac{d}{dt} e(t)}^{\text{Derivative}}$$

PID TUNING FOR PROCESS



BOILER AUTO LOOP CONTROL

- FURNACE PRESSURE CONTROL
- PA HEADER PRESSURE CONTROL
- DRUM LEVEL CONTROL
- AIR FLOW CONTROL
- FUEL FLOW CONTROL
- BFP SCOOP CONTROL
- SH TEMPRATURE CONTROL
- RH TEMPRATURE CONTROL
- LDO FLOW CONTROL
- LDO PRESSURE CONTROL
- HFO FLOW CONTROL
- HFO PRESSURE CONTROL
- HFO TEMPRATURE CONTROL
- BURNER TILT CONTROL
- ATOMISING STEAM PRESSURE CONTROL
- MILL AIR FLOW CONTROL
- MILL TEMPRATURE CONTROL
- CBD LEVEL CONTROL

TURBINE AUTO LOOP CONTROL

- CO-ORDINATED MASTER CONTROL (CMC)
- DEAREATOR LEVEL CONTROL
- DEAREATOR PRESSURE CONTROL
- HOTWELL LEVEL CONTROL
- HPH-5 LEVEL CONTROL
- HPH-6 LEVEL CONTROL
- LPH-2 LEVEL CONTROL
- LPH-3 LEVEL CONTROL
- CEP MINIMUM RECIRCULATION CONTROL
- GLAND SEALING PRESSURE CONTROL

AIR FLOW CONTROL

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this loop is to maintain the airflow required for combustion at the desired value by regulating the blade pitch control of FD fans A & B.

EXECUTION:

The secondary airflow is measured at left (2 nos. of flow transmitter) and right (2 nos. of flow transmitter) side of the secondary air ducts to wind box by means of aerofoils. Each flow will have temperature compensation. The flow is calculated by means of square root of differential pressure across the aerofoil.

AIR FLOW TRANSMITTERS



RIGHT SIDE

FLOW
TRANSMITTERS

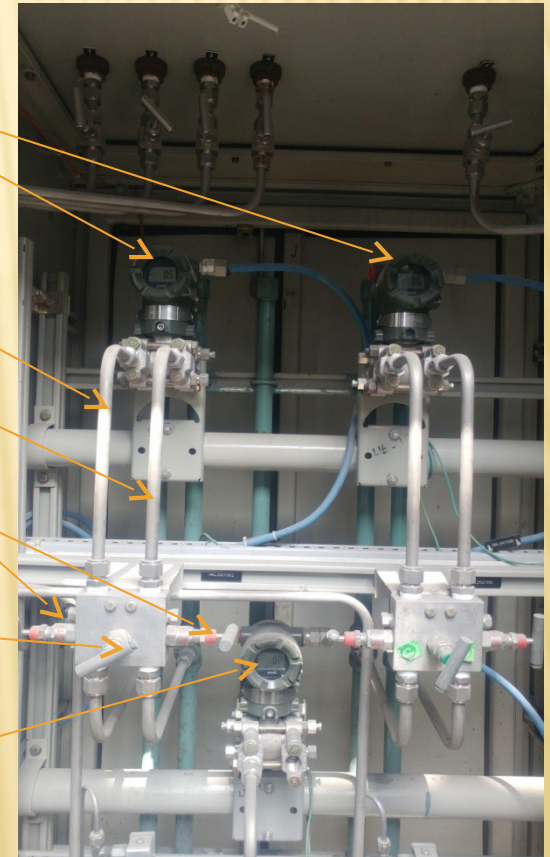
HP SIDE

LP SIDE

ISOLATING
VALVE

EQUALISING
VALVE

PRESSURE
TRANSMITTER



LEFT SIDE

DATA SHEET OF SECONDARY AIR FLOW ELEMENT



AIRFOIL FOR SECONDARY AIR

A)	<u>General Data</u>			
1.	Medium	:	Hot Secondary air	
2.	Location of airfoil	:	Hot Secondary air duct from AH outlet to wind box.	
3.	No. off per boiler	:	Two (One right + one left)	
B)	<u>Design Data</u>			
1.	Flow per airfoil	kg/h	:	291779
2.	Medium Pressure	mm wc	:	152
3.	Medium temperature	Deg. C	:	321
4.	Medium velocity in duct	m/s	:	14.5
C)	<u>Duct Data</u> (Internal dimensions)			
1.	Width, W	mm.	:	2500
	Depth, A	mm.	:	4000
	Duct equivalent dia., De	mm.	:	3568
D)	<u>Transmitter</u>			
1.	Transmitter DP	:	76 mmwc at 291779 kg/h.	
2.	Pressure drop across flow meter	:	19 mmwc at 291779 kg/h.	
E)	<u>Straight Length Requirement</u>			
	Upstream - Min. 2 De	mm.	:	7136
	Downstream - Min. 1 De	mm.	:	3568
	<u>Remarks</u>			
	If the above straight length requirement is not possible due to layout restrictions, duct design is to ensure 75% in upstream and 25% in downstream out of the total clear straight length available.			

PRIMARY AIR FLOW

The Primary Air flow for each mill in service is measured by venturi flow element across the PA mixed air duct.

Summation of all the primary air flow of individual mill is the total primary air flow to the boiler. We have installed 2 nos. of primary air flow transmitter with the range of 0-110 mmwc , which is converted into 0-90 TPH at DCS-end.

The total air flow required for the combustion in boiler is the summation of total secondary air flow and total primary air flow.

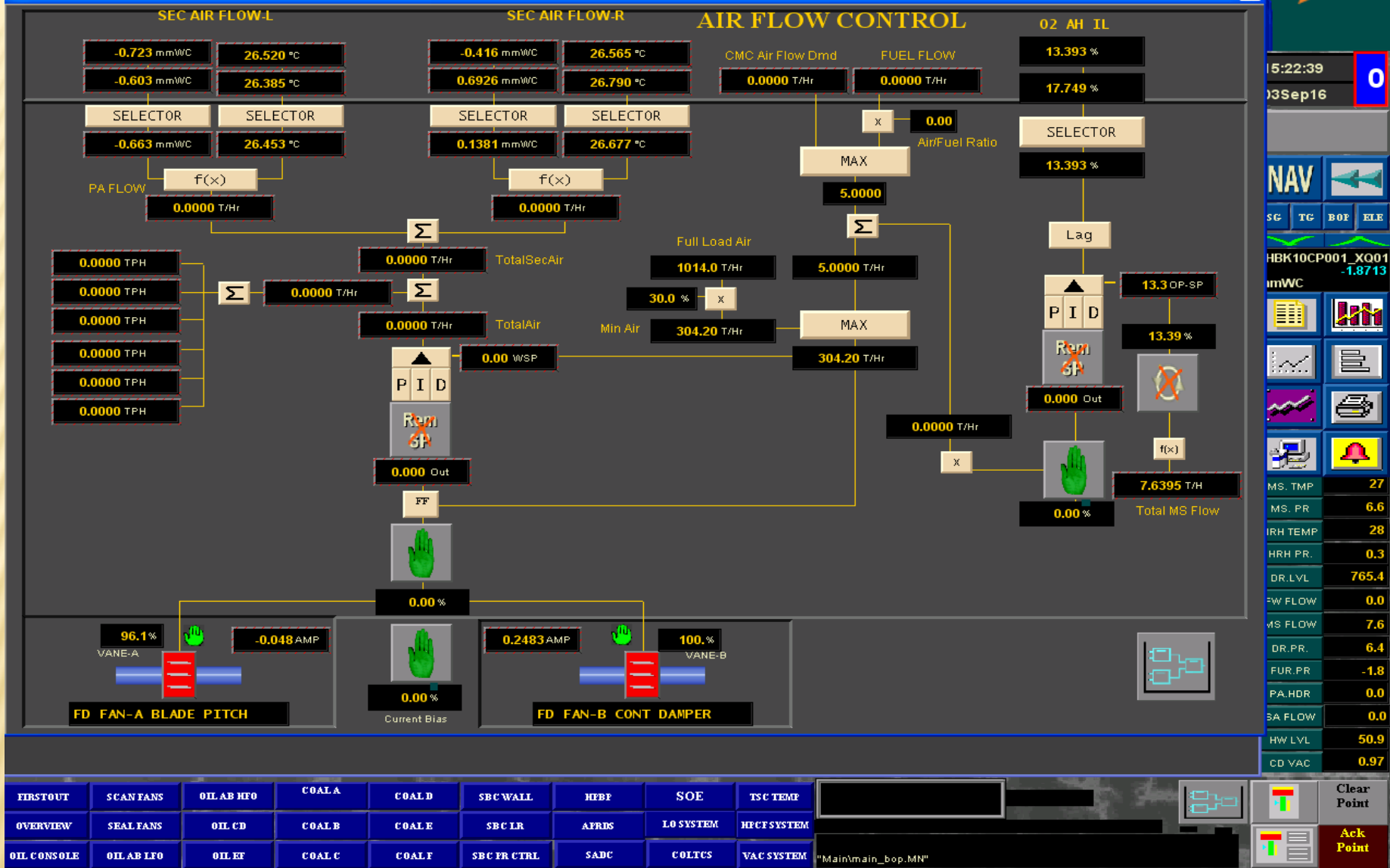
Total Air Flow = Secondary Air Flow + Primary Air Flow

DATA SHEET OF PRIMARY AIR FLOW ELEMENT



VENTURI FOR MILL AIR

A)	<u>General Data</u>			
1.	Medium	:		Hot Primary air to mill
2.	Location of Venturi	:		Mill inlet duct
3.	No. off per boiler	:		Six (One Per mill)
B)	<u>Design Data</u>			
1.	Flow per Venturi	kg/h	:	74768
2.	Medium Pressure	mm wc	:	731
3.	Medium temperature	Deg. C	:	267
4.	Medium velocity in duct	m/s	:	13.5
C)	<u>Duct Data (Internal dimensions)</u>			
1.	Width, W	mm.	:	1250
	Depth, A	mm.	:	2000
	Duct equivalent dia., De	mm.	:	1784
D)	<u>Transmitter</u>			
1.	Transmitter DP	:		76 mmwc at 74768 kg/h.
2.	Pressure drop across flow meter	:		20 mmwc at 74768 kg/h.
E)	<u>Straight Length Requirement</u>			
	Upstream - Min. 2 De	mm.	:	3568
	Downstream - Min. 1 De	mm.	:	1784



The air flow demand from coordinated control and actual fuel flow whichever is high (lead lag system) is selected to ensure enriched combustion air. The oxygen in the flue gas at the inlet of APH is measured as primary or redundant.

Transfer switch can be selected for either average value or individual value. This signal is compared with excess air set point and any error will have proportional and integral action to have better combustion efficiency.

Under any circumstance the air flow should not be less than 30% MCR flow. This signal is the developed set point and the air flow signal will have proportional and integral action in the air flow controller.

LIMITATIONS OF PID CONTROL

While PID controllers are applicable to many control problems, and often perform satisfactorily without any improvements. The fundamental difficulty with PID control is that it is a feedback control system, with constant parameters, and no direct knowledge of the process, and thus overall performance is reactive and a compromise.

Now PID controller introduced itself in the two categories:-

- **Feed-forward control**

- **Cascade control**

FEED-FORWARD CONTROL

The control system performance can be improved by combining the feedback control of a PID controller with feed-forward control. Knowledge about the system can be fed forward and combined with the PID output to improve the overall system performance. Feed forward can be based on the set point and on extra measured disturbances.

We can understand Feed-forward Control system through example of Furnace Draft control.

PURPOSE:

The main objective of this control is to maintain the furnace pressure constant at the desired set value at all loads. This is achieved by changing the flow of flue gas by modulating the inlet guide vane and varying the speed of the ID fan by VFD system.

EXECUTION:

Furnace pressure is measured by three transmitters. One signal is selected by mid value auto selection circuit for control. Furnace pressure is compared with set point and actual value. Generated deviation will have proportional and integral action.

Fuel demand signal is added as a feed forward feature. Feed-Forward feature is provided to minimise negative furnace pressure.

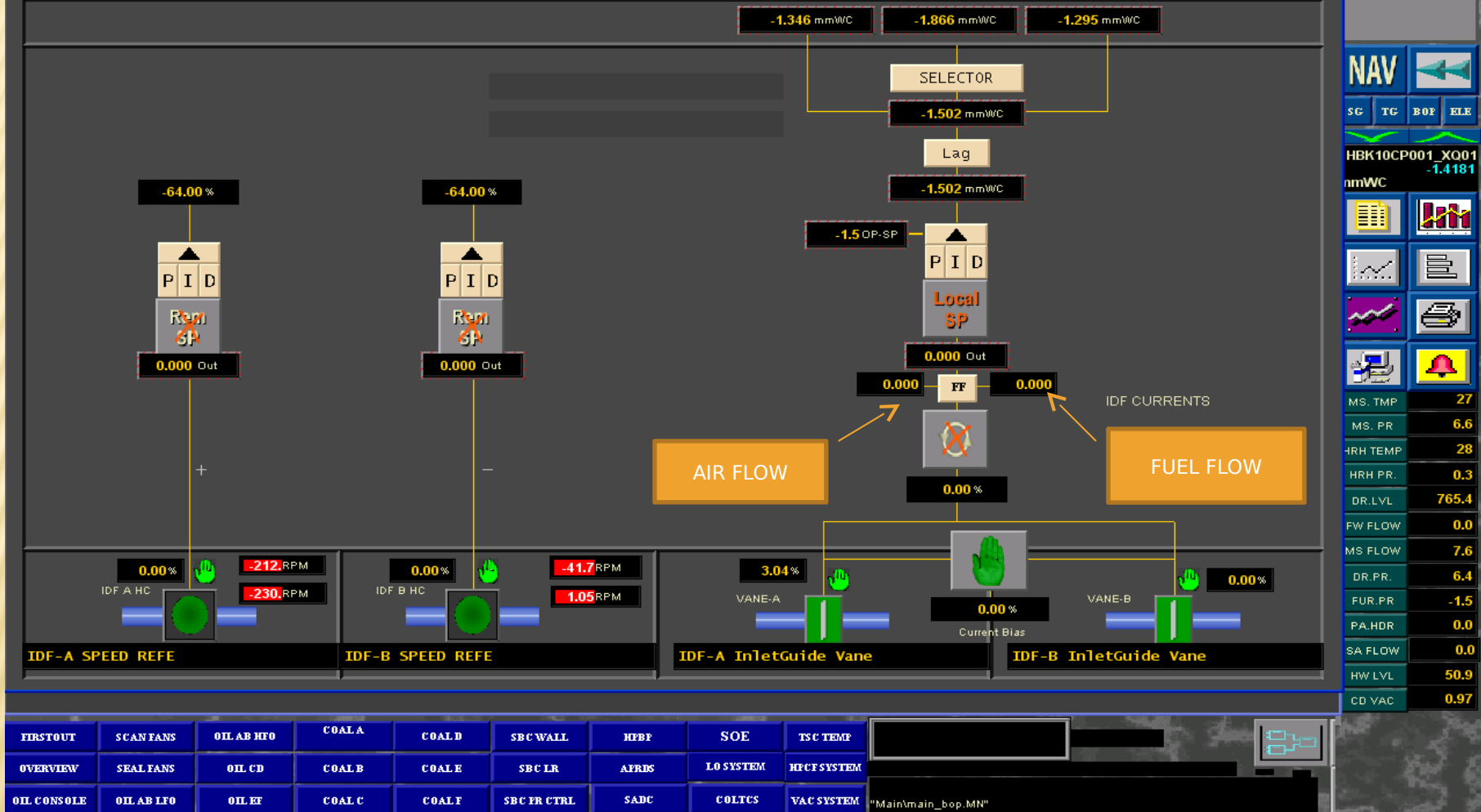
The ID fan inlet damper positions between a maximum and a minimum position limit for optimised control action. If ID fan position goes outside these limits, an error signal goes to a controller, whose output is used to vary fan speed to bring back the inlet damper within the set limits.

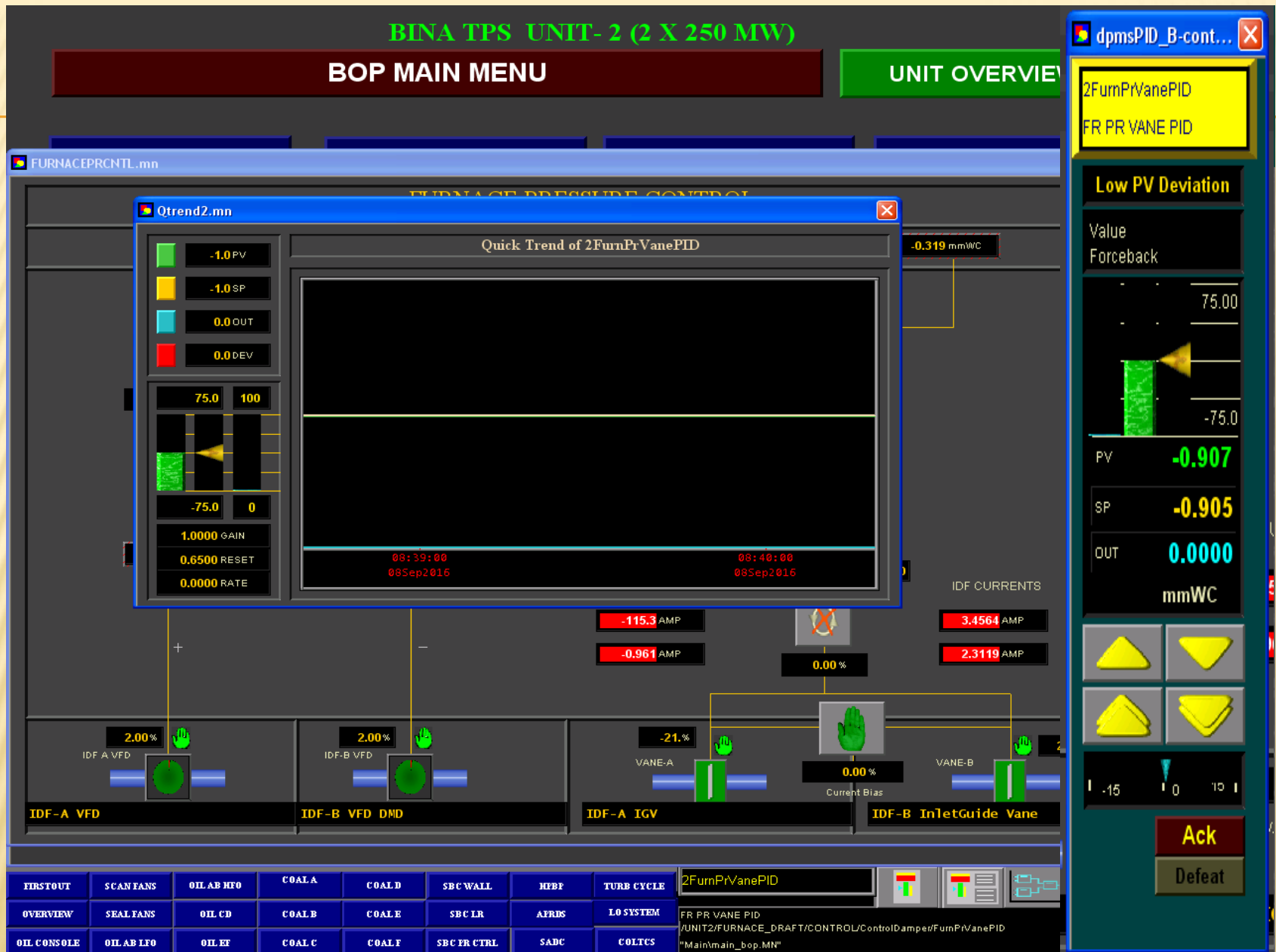
FURNACE PRESSURE CONTROL

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One additional advantage of PID controllers is that two PID controllers can be used together for better dynamic performance. This is called cascaded PID control. In cascade control there are two PIDs arranged with one PID controlling the set point of another.

Now we discuss the Cascade control loop with the help of Drum Level control.

DRUM LEVEL CONTROL

PURPOSE:

Boiler drum level is kept constant under all load conditions. For loads more than 30% control system acts on three elements control which utilizing **steam flow, feed water flow** and **drum level**. Under low load conditions, **drum level** is maintained by single element.

Execution:

At lower loads (less than 30% BMCR), the start up feed control valve(FD-20) will be used as final control element and at higher loads, full load control valve (FD-14/17) will be used. If the full load control valve is taken for maintenance, stand by feed control valve will be used.

➤ **SINGLE ELEMENT CONTROL**

- DRUM LEVEL

➤ **THREE ELEMENT CONTROL**

- 1.DRUM LEVEL

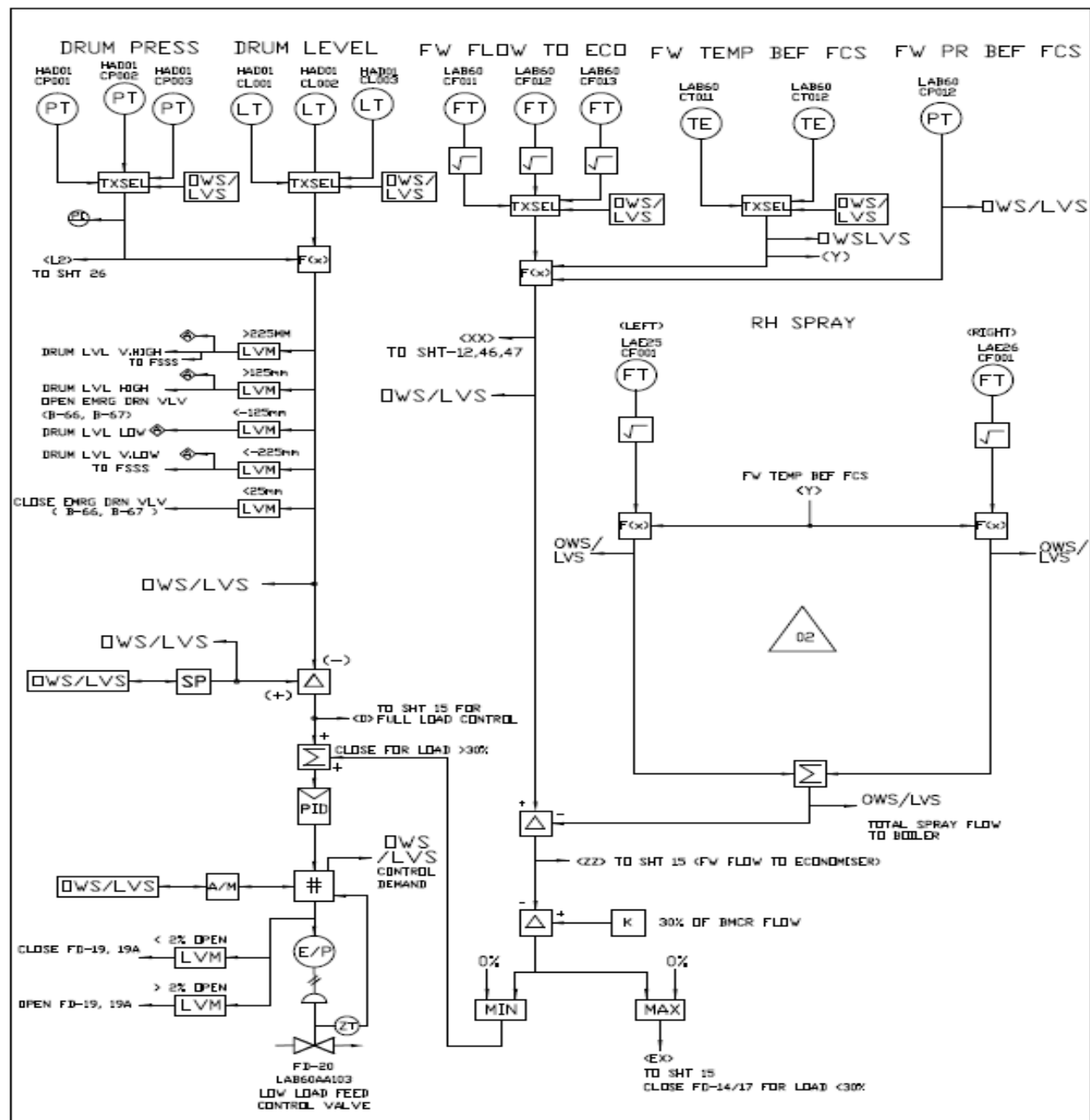
- 2.STEAM FLOW

- 3.FEED WATER FLOW

SINGLE ELEMENT CONTROL

The Drum level measured signal is compared with the drum level set point. The error signal will have a PI Controller.

The PI controller output will be the position demand signal for the 30% control valve to maintain the normal drum level. Auto/manual selection block is provided for operation.



THREE ELEMENT CONTROL

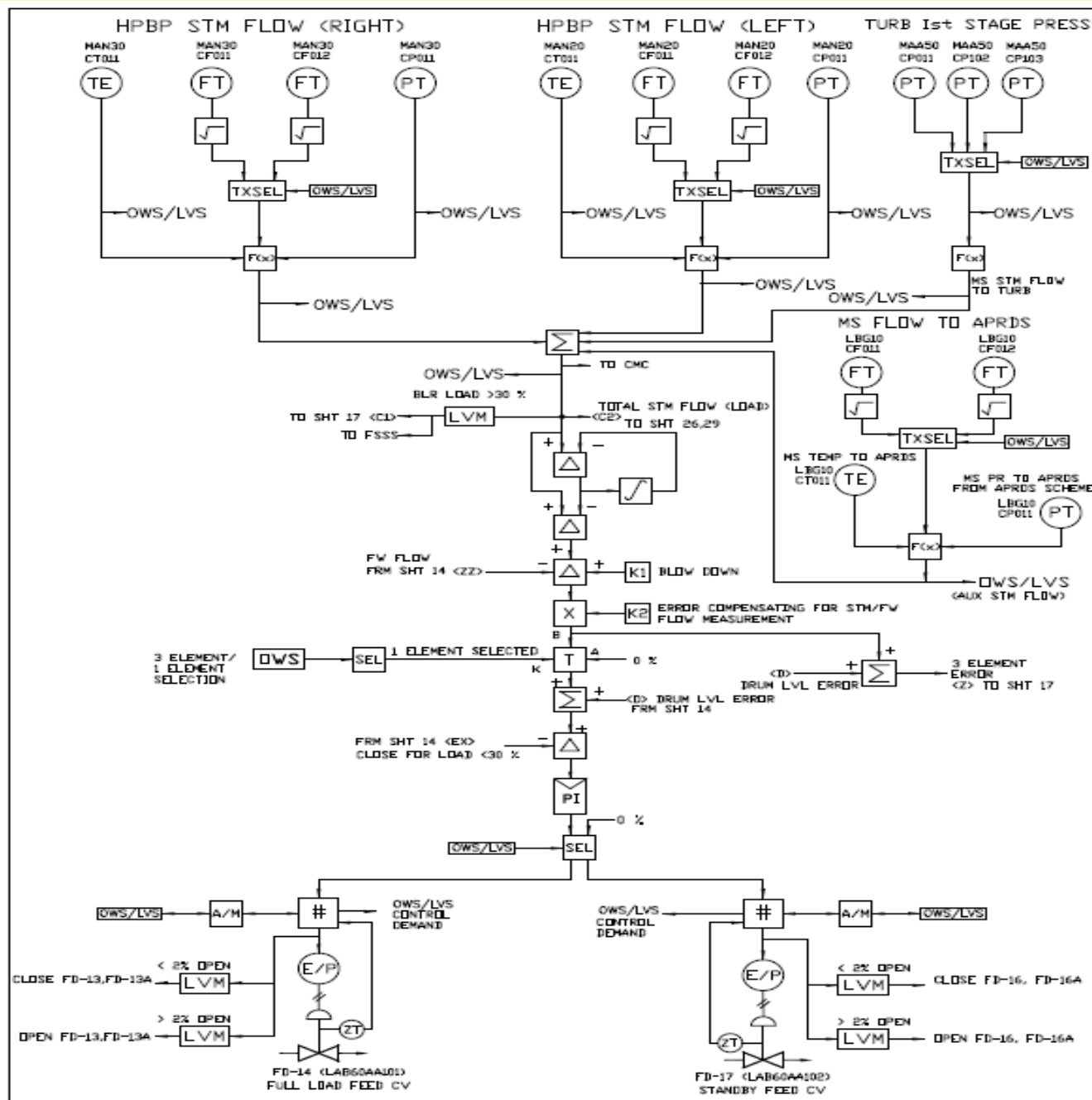
At higher loads the start up control valve shall be closed. The steam flow shall be measured. In order to prevent sudden response due to drum swell and shrink on load change, a time lag unit shall be included in the steam flow signal. The compensated feed water flow signal is computed by subtracting feed water flow at economiser inlet to Re-heater spray water flow.

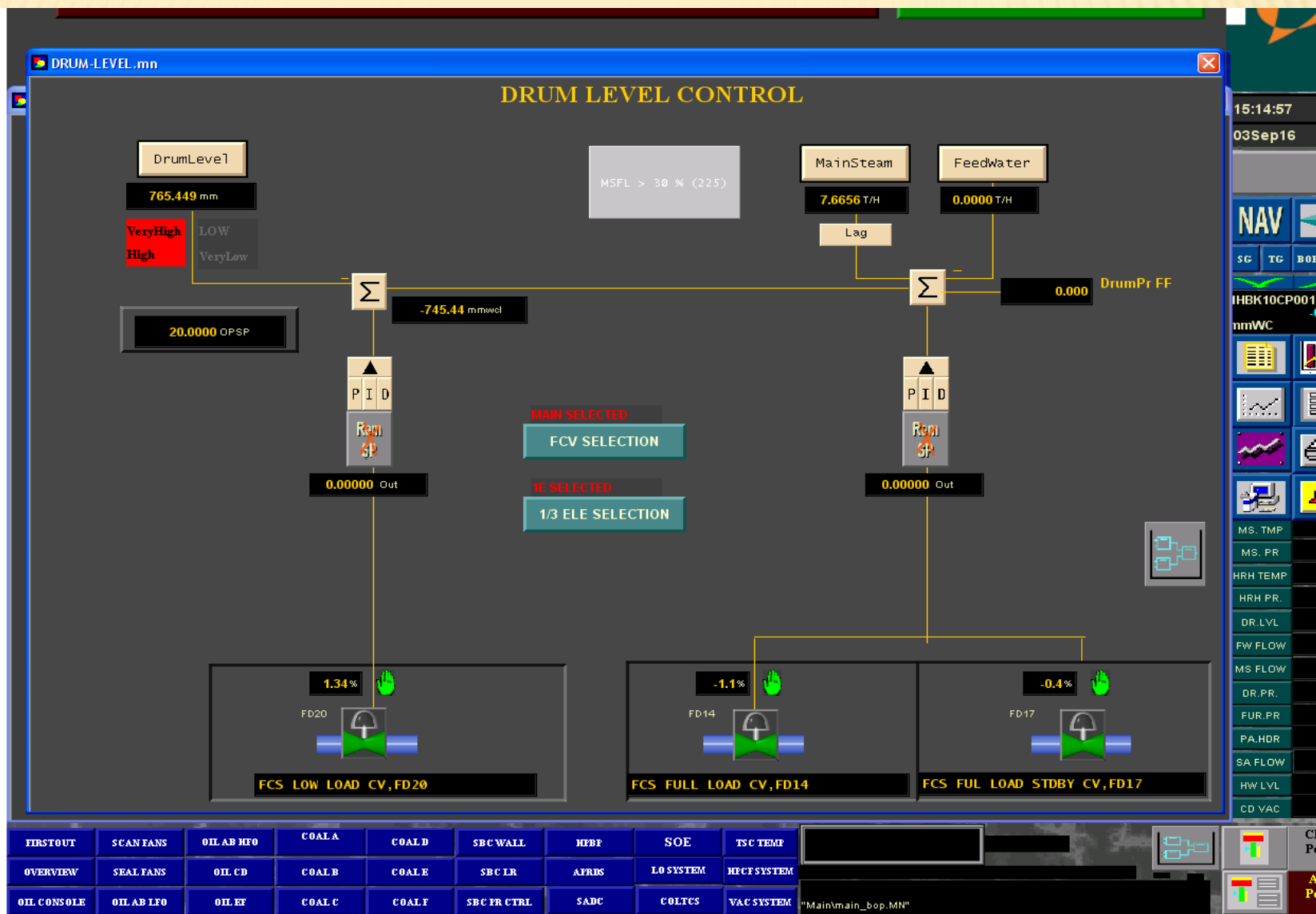
The error signal produced between drum level measured signal and drum level set point shall have proportional, integral and differential action in the three element drum level controller.

This will be added with steam flow signal which is the feed water flow demand signal (set point for feed water flow). This will be compared with the feed water flow in the feed water controller. Deviation if any will have a proportional and integral action in the feed water controller.

This controller output will be the position demand signal for the full load feed control valve.

Auto/manual selection is provided for operation.





PUT CONTROL LOOP IN AUTO

Desk engineers must follow the following parameters-

1. Deviation between set point and process value is minimum as possible.
2. Put the loop in auto under steady state condition.

CHANGEOVER OF LOOP FROM AUTO TO MANUAL MODE:

The auto loop shall be trip to manual under the following conditions-

1. in case of two nos. of transmitter fail the auto loop trip to manual.
2. If both transmitter is healthy but deviation is high ($\pm 10\%$).
3. If median is selected two transmitters fail.
4. Operator shall be able to put loop again in auto with 3rd transmitter selection through OWS.
5. In case of three transmitter median is selected and one of the transmitter fails the average of other two healthy transmitters is given as output to the PID controller.
6. If all the three transmitters fail.
7. Failure of transmitter are alarmed in each of the above cases on OWS.
8. The supervision of final control element shall be provided, in case there is deviation between demand and control element it is alarmed on OWS after the time delay(10 sec).
9. All auto loops, Auto to Manual changeover alarm has provided on LVS.

TROUBLESHOOTING AND MAINTENANCE

Now we understood, the main parameters of Auto Control System-

- Measure
- Compare
- Compute
- Correct

These four functions are completed by these elements: Controller , Final control element i.e. Control valve and position feedback Transmitters.

In auto control system measuring element and Final control element play a key role to controlling the process with in limit.

MEASUREMENT DEVICES

S.NO.	PROCESS TYPE	SENSOR
1.	TEMPERATURE	THERMO COUPLE(T/C) & RTDs
2.	PRESSURE	PRESSURE /DIFFERENTIAL PRESSURE (DP)
3.	FLOW	FLOW TRANSMITTERS
4.	LEVEL	LEVEL TRANSMITTERS

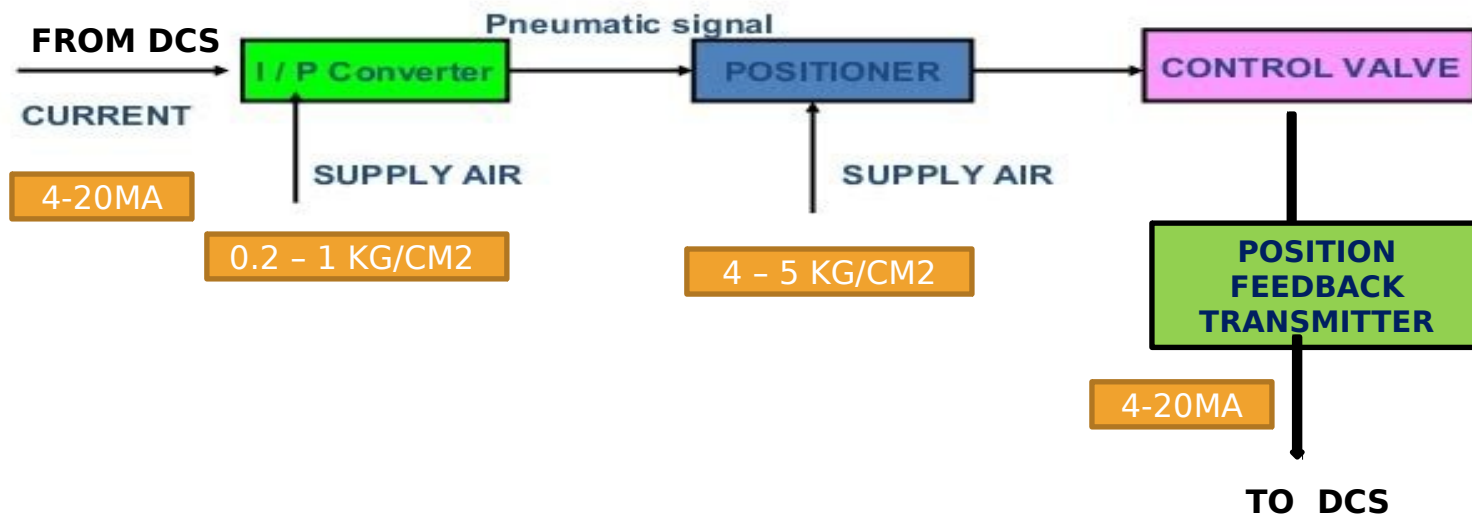
Final control element i.e. control valve, blade pitch control , IGVs, Hot air dampers , Cold Air dampers etc must be regulate in proper manner.

FINAL CONTROL ELEMENT

The control valve behavior has a major impact on the performance of the Control Loop.

CONTROL VALVES:

They are basically pneumatically operated valves which require around 4 to 5 kg/cm² of air pressure to operate the valve.



FEED STATION CONTROL VALVE

I/P- A “current to pressure” transducer (I/P) converts an analog signal i.e. 4-20 ma into pneumatic output i.e. 3-15 psi (0.2-1 kg/cm²)”

OPERATING
PRESSURE
REGULATOR

POSITIONER

Positioner – receives signal from controller & sends signal to actuator to move the valve.

LIMIT SWITCH
BOX

Limit Switches – provides **confirmation** signal to PLC or DCS.

POSITION
FEEDBACK
TRANSMITTER

PFT- convert control valve movement in electrical signal i.e. 4-20 ma.

I/P
CONVERT
ER

ALR-To lock existing air in case of supply failure.

AIR LOCK RELAY

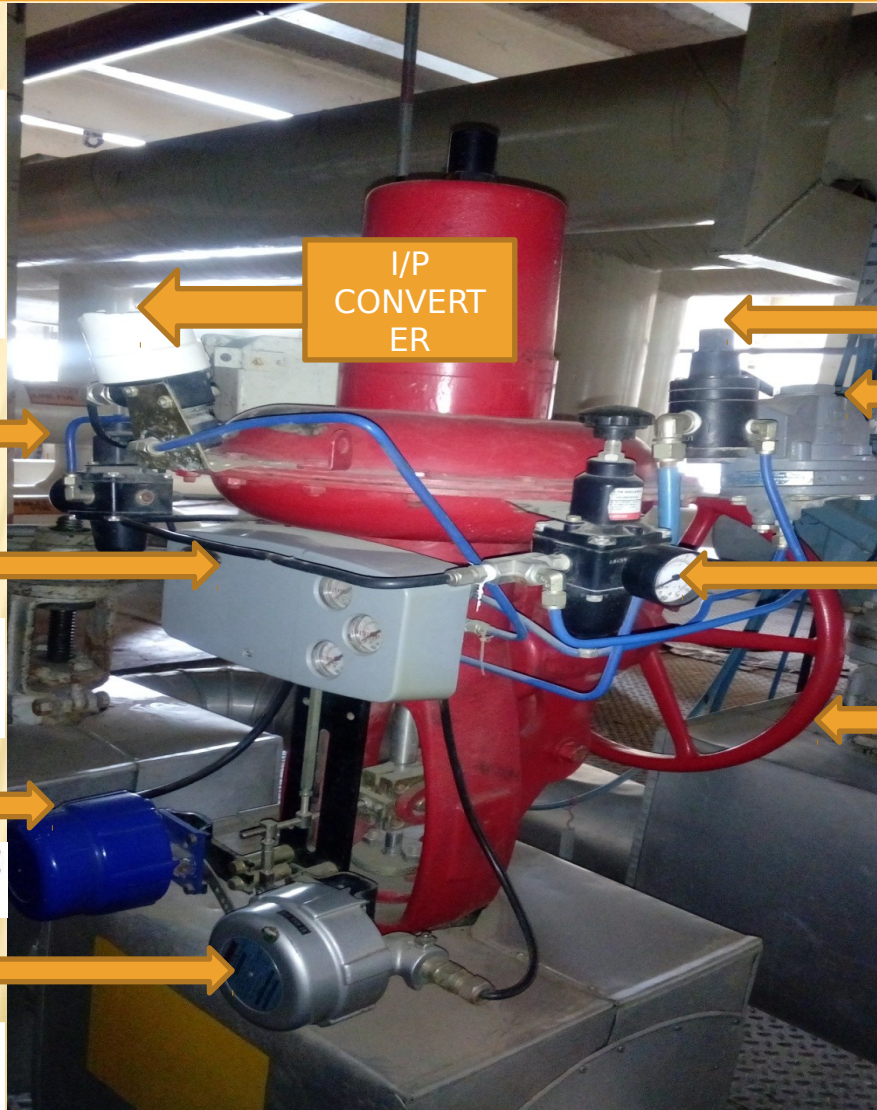
VOLUME
BOOSTER

Volume Boosters – supplies air to actuator when high stroking speed is required.

SUPPLY PRESSURE
REGULATOR

HAND WHEEL

Hand Wheel – used to manually open/close the valve.



CALIBRATION OF CONTROL VALVE

Functional test Procedure

- The valve, I/P positioner, current source generator, and instrument air supply are set up .
- Instrument air supply P is checked. It is set according to the I/P positioner requirements.
- 4 mA current signal is applied to the I/P positioner. The valve stem shall be in 0% travel. 20 mA current signal is applied to the I/P positioner; the valve stem shall be in 100% travel.
- If the valve stem travel indication didn't show correctly 0% or 100% travel, then travel is calibrated using the HART communicator

TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENT

Temperature Sensors

Thermocouples

Types of Thermocouple



□ Type J

- Iron / Constantan
 - White, Red
 - 0 to 760 °C
 - *Least Expensive*



□ Type K

- Chromel / Alumel
 - » Yellow, Red
 - » 0 to 1150 °C
 - » *Most Linear*



□ Type T

- Copper / Constantan
 - » Blue, Red
 - » -180 to 371 °C
 - » *Highly resistant to corrosion from moisture*

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TEMPERATURE BATH-

➤ To calibrate thermocouple temperature element



PRESSURE MEASUREMENT

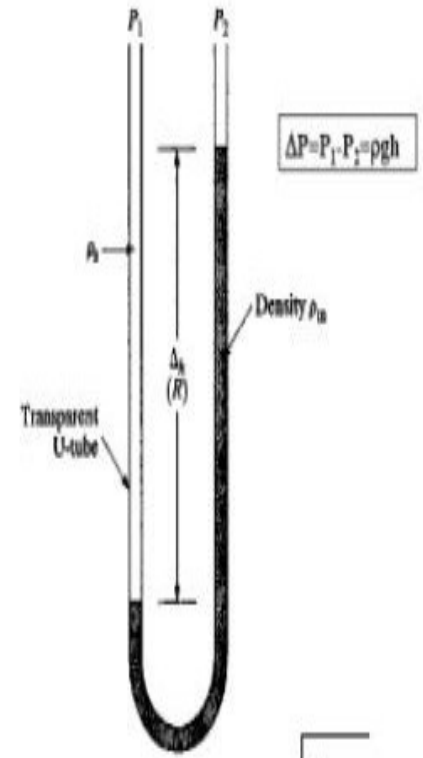
MANOMETER-

➤ To calibrate Differential type pressure and flow transmitter.



HART CALIBRATOR

Manometer



GOOD INSTRUMENTATION MEANS

**QUALITY PRODUCTION, OPTIMISED
OPERATION, LONGIVITY
AND SAFETY OF THE PLANT .**

WE MEAN:

TOTAL ECONOMY OF THE PLANT.

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