



# **Average Pitot Tube**

Model: SAP-810



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### Introduction

Average pitot tube is a differential pressure flow meter suitable for liquid, gas and steam flow measurement.

Average pitot tube is low cost installation and low pressure loss into pipes and ducts.

Fluid passing around a Pitot tube generates a pressure difference between the front and rear of the tube that is proportional to the velocity of the flow.

The holes placed on the front and rear of the tube are used to sense the difference, which is needed to calculate the flow rate. Multiple sets of pressure-sensing holes give a distinct advantage in automatically averaging the nonuniform flow profile across pipe.



### **Principle**

Average Pitot tube can be used to indicate flow velocity by measuring the difference between the static and dynamic pressures in fluids.

The principle is based on the Bernoulli Equation where each term can be interpreted as a form of pressure.

 $p + 1/2 p v^2 + yh = constant along a streamline ----(1)$ 

p = static pressure (relative to the moving fluid) (Pa)

 $p = density (kg/m^3)$ 

v = flow velocity (m/s)

y = p g = specific weight (N/m<sup>3</sup>)

g = acceleration of gravity (m/s²)

h = elevation height (m)

### Flow Velocity

In a measuring point we regard the hydrostaic pressure as a constant, h1 = h2 and this part can be eliminated. Since v2 is zero, (2) can be modified to:

 $p1 + 1/2 p v_1^2 = p_2 ----(3) \text{ or } v_1 = [2 (p_2 - p_1) / p]^{1/2} ----(4)$ where

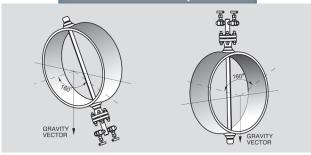
p<sub>2</sub> - p<sub>1</sub> =dp (differential pressure)

The pitot tube is a simple and convenient instrument to measure the difference between static total and dynamic pressure.

### Installation

Note: Other orientations are possible with additional considerations.

### **Horizontal Pipes**

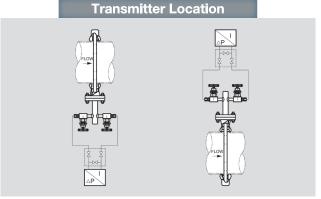


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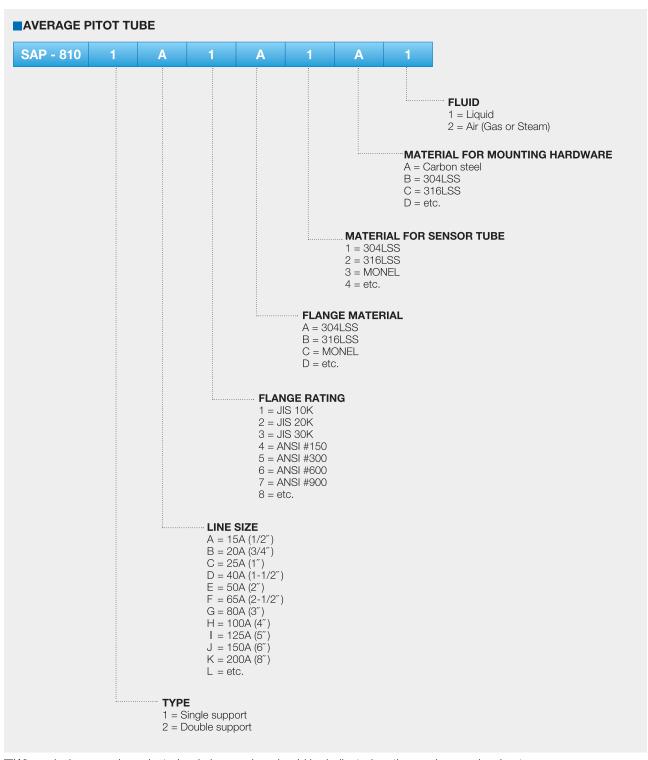
### **Straight Run Requirements**

Use of recommended straight pipe lengths of uniform diameter upstream and downstream ensures that flow measurement will be made in flow with fully developed characteristics. The flowing chart describes the minimum number of pipe diameters upstream and downstream of the SAP. Longer lengths are always preferred (if available) for accurate flow measurement.

Note: Straight runs listed below are for water. Multiply times 1.5 for gases or stream.

Minimum Diameters Straight Pipe	Upstream Dimension					Downstream Dimension
	Without Vanes		With Vanes			
	In Plane A	Out Plane A	A'	С	C'	В
A B B C C A C B B	8D	10D				- 4D
			8D	4D	4D	
A B B C A A B B C A A B B B C A A B B B C A A B B C B B C B C	11D	16D				- 4D
			8D	4D	4D	
A B D C' A' B B D	23D	28D				- 4D
			8D	4D	4D	
A B	12D	12D				- 4D
C' C B B			8D	4D	4D	
A B B	18D	18D				— 4D
C' C B B			8D	4D	4D	
A B	30D	30D				- 4D
C' - C - B - B -			8D	4D	4D	

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