

Considerable Factors on Designing Dilute Phase Pneumatic Conveyors



1. Acceleration Length

by Rose & Duckworth

$$\frac{L_a}{D} = 5.7 \left(\frac{m_p}{\rho_g g^{0.5} D^{2.5}} \right)^{0.36} \left(\frac{d_p}{D} \right)^{-0.16} \left(\frac{\rho_p}{\rho_g} \right)^{0.18}$$

L_a : acceleration length, D : pipe inner diameter, m_p : solids mass flow rate, ρ_g : gas density, ρ_p : true particle density, d_p : particle diameter, g : gravitational constant

by Enick & Klinzing, Marcus

$$\frac{L_a}{D} = 0.527 \left(\frac{D}{d_p} \right)^{-1.26} (1 - \Phi) Re_d$$

Re_d : drag Reynolds number, Φ : loading ratio

2. Bend Pressure Drop

by Ito for Single Phase Flow

$$\Delta P = \left(\frac{0.029 + 0.304 De^{-0.25}}{\left(\frac{2}{D} r_b \right)} \right) \frac{L_b \rho_g v^2}{2D}$$

r_b : bend radius, L_b : bend length, $300 > De > 0.034$: $De = Re_d \left(\frac{D}{2r_b} \right)^2$

De : Dean Number

If $De < 0.034$, bend radius is considerably large as a stright length of pipe.

$$\Delta P = \Phi \rho_g \epsilon u_{sg} (u_{sa} - u_{so})$$

ϵ : polocity, u_{sg} : superficial solid velocity, u_{so} : bend outlet solid velocity, u_{sa} : re - accelerated solid velocity after bend

by Fischer

$$\Delta P = \Phi \frac{L_b f_{slide} \rho_g u_{sg}^2}{r_o}$$

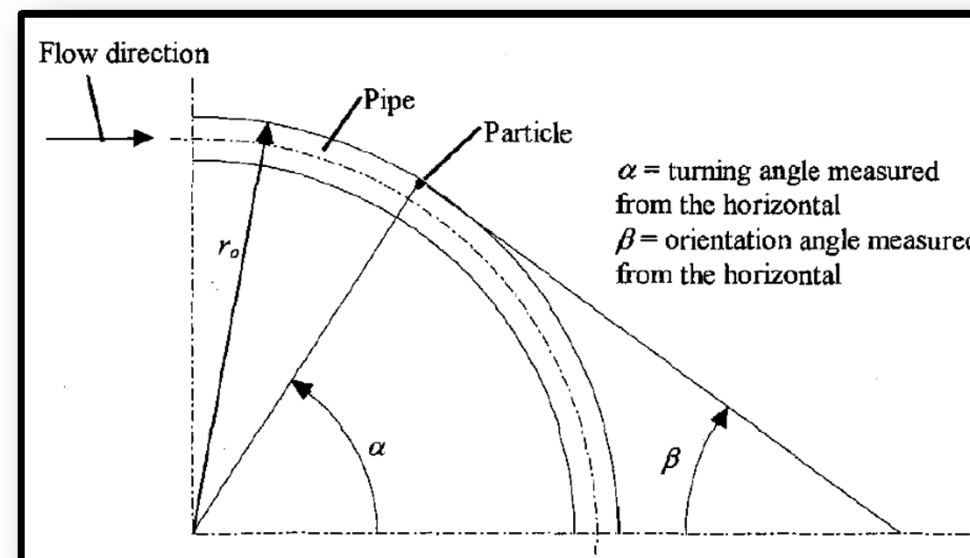
f_{slide} : sliding friction factor, r_o : bend radius to pipe outer wall

Solids Friction Factor for bend in the vertical plane

$$f_{bpv} = 2f_{sl} \left(1 - \frac{\rho_g}{\rho_p} \right) \frac{D}{u_{ig}^2} \left(\frac{u_{ig}^2}{r_o} - g \sin \alpha \sin \beta \right)$$

Solids Friction Factor for bend in the horizontal plane

$$f_{bph} = 2f_{sl} \left(1 - \frac{\rho_g}{\rho_p} \right) \frac{D}{r_o}$$



3. Particle Shape Definition

Volume Shape Factor defined by Heywood

$$Z = \frac{V_s}{d_p^3} \quad \text{for only spheric solid}$$

V_s : particle volume, d_p : projected diameter of particle

Volume Shape Factor defined by Govier & Aziz

$$\psi = \frac{d_{avg}}{\chi d_p} \quad \text{for non - spherical solid}$$

d_{avg} : average particle diameter from a mesh screen analysis
 χ : ratio of surface area per mass of particles

The Sphericity defined by Boothroyd

$$\psi = \frac{\pi \left(\frac{6V_s}{\pi} \right)^{2/3}}{A_{s,ns}}$$

= $\frac{\text{surface area of a sphere of equivalent volume}}{\text{particle surface area}}$

Material	Sphericity ψ	Shape of material	Sphericity ψ
Sand	0.534-0.861	Octahedron	0.847
Silica	0.554-0.628	Cube	0.806
Pulverised coal	0.696	Prisms	
		$a \times a \times 2a$	0.767
		$a \times 2a \times 2a$	0.761
$a \times 2a \times 3a$	0.725		
Bituminous coal	0.625	Cylinders	
		$h = 3r$	0.860
		$h = 10r$	0.691
$h = 20r$	0.580		
Celite cylinders	0.861	Discs	
		$h = r$	0.827
		$h = r/3$	0.594
		$h = r/10$	0.323
$h = r/15$	0.254		
Iron catalyst	0.578	$a = \text{length}, h = \text{height}, r = \text{radius}$	
Broken solids	0.63		

4. Drag Coefficient effected by particle shape

Modified Schiller and Naumann's Equation

$$C_{d,s} = \frac{24}{Re_{ds}} (1 + 0.15 Re_{ds}^{0.687}) + \frac{0.42}{1 + 4.25 \times 10^4 Re_{ds}^{-1.16}} \quad Re_{ds} < 100,000$$

$C_{d,s}$: Drag coefficient a single spherical particle at an infinite dilution
 $Re_{ds} = \frac{\rho_g u_{sg} d_p}{\delta_g}$, δ_g : dynamic gas viscosity, d_p : particle diameter, u_{sg} : superficial gas velocity

by Pettyjohn & Christiansen

$$C_{d,ns} = 0.843 \log \frac{\psi}{0.065} C_{d,s} \quad Re_{ws} < 0.05$$

$C_{d,ns}$: Drag coefficient of a single non - spherical particle at an infinite dilution

Drag Coefficient in the turbulent region

$$C_{d,ns} : 5.31 - 4.88\psi \quad 2,000 < Re_{ws} < 200,000$$

Marcus에 의해 $C_{d,s}$ 와의 비율로 표현한 $C_{d,ns}$

$$C_{d,ns} = \left(\frac{1}{0.8431 \log \frac{\psi}{0.065}} \right)^2 C_{d,s}$$

5. Drag Coefficient effected by Voidage(=Porosity)

$$C_{d,c} = C_{d,s} \varepsilon^{-4.7} \quad Re_p < 1,000$$

$C_{d,c}$: Drag coefficient of a single particle in a cloud of particles

6. Free fall velocity(or Terminal velocity) of Particles

$$u_t = \sqrt{\frac{4d_p g (\rho_p - \rho_g)}{3\rho_g C_{d,s}}} \quad \text{for spherical particles}$$

7. Solids Friction Factor for Various Models

Investigator	Solids friction factor, $\lambda_z^*/4$
Stemerding [27]	0.003
Reddy and Pei [28]	$0.046c^{-1}$
Van Swaaij, Buurman and van Breugel [29]	$0.080c^{-1}$
Capes and Nakamura [30]	$0.048c^{-1.22}$
Konno and Saito [31]	$0.0285(gD)^{1/2}c^{-1}$
Yang [32], vertical	$0.00315 \frac{1-\epsilon}{\epsilon^3} \left(\frac{(1-\epsilon)w_{fo}}{v_\epsilon - c} \right)^{-0.979}$
Yang [33], horizontal	$0.0293 \frac{1-\epsilon}{\epsilon^3} \left(\frac{(1-\epsilon)v_\epsilon}{(gD)^{1/2}} \right)^{-1.15}$
Stegmaier [34]	$0.52\mu^{-0.3} Fr^{-1} Fr^{*0.25} (d/D)^{-0.1}$

8. Total Pressure Drop detailed accurately

Advanced Design Equations by Barth

$$\Delta p_{tot} = \Delta p_g + \Delta p_a + \Delta p_s + \Delta p_{grav} + \Delta p_b + \Delta p_{sep} + \Delta p_{blower}$$

Fischer's Equation

$$\Delta p_{tot} = \Delta p_g + \Delta p_a + \Delta p_{horiz} + \Delta p_{grav} + \Delta p_b + \Delta p_{sep} + \Delta p_{blower}$$

Δp_{tot} : Total Pressure Drop

$$\Delta p_g = f_g \frac{\rho_g u_{sg}^2 L_{tot}}{2D} \quad \text{: Pressure Drop due to air alone}$$

$$\Delta p_a = \phi \frac{\rho_g u_{sg}^2}{2} = \phi u_{sg} \rho_g u_{sp} \quad \text{: Pressure Drop due to material acceleration at the feed point}$$

$$\Delta p_s = \phi f_{add} \frac{\rho_g u_{sg}^2 L_{tot}}{2D} \quad \text{: Additional Pressure Drop due to solids in both horizontal and vertical section}$$



$$\Delta p_{horiz} = \phi \rho_g g f_{slide} L_{horiz} \quad \text{: Pressure Drop due to horizontal conveying of solids}$$

$$\Delta p_{grav} = \phi \rho_g L_{vert} = (1-\epsilon) \rho_p g L_{vert} = \phi \frac{\rho_g}{u_{sp} u_{sg}^{-1}} g L_{vert} \quad \text{: Pressure Drop due to gravity for the vertical lift only}$$

$$\Delta p_b = \phi \frac{L_b f_{slide} \rho_g u_{sg}^2}{r_o} = \frac{0.029 + 0.304 D e^{-0.25}}{\left(\frac{2}{D} r_b\right)} \frac{L_b \rho_g u_{sg}^2}{2D} + 210 \left(\frac{2r_b}{D}\right)^{-1.15} \Delta p_s \quad \text{: Pressure Drop due to bends}$$

Δp_{sep} : Pressure Drop due to the separating equipment as Cyclone or Bag Filter, Δp_{blower} : Pressure Drop due to air alone from blower to pick up point or duct to vacuum blower after bag filter

f_{add} : Additional Pressure Drop Factor

Table : Available correlations to determine the additional pressure loss factor (ζ).



Equation	Remarks
$\zeta = \frac{\pi \lambda_s}{8 \lambda_a} \left(\frac{\rho_s}{\rho_a} \right)^{0.5} \mu$ [48]	λ_s is called as solid friction factor $\lambda_s = \frac{0.026}{Re^{0.85}} + \frac{0.0034}{Re^{0.6}}$
$\zeta = \frac{\lambda_s v_s}{\lambda_a v_a} \mu$ [49]	v_s is solid velocity
$\zeta = \frac{C_1 m_s}{v_s^2 u_T}$ [50]	C_1 is a factor depend on D and u_T is the free falling terminal velocity of solids
$\zeta = C_2 \frac{1}{Re} \left(\frac{D}{d} \right)^2 \frac{\rho_s}{\rho_a} \mu$ [51]	Re is gas phase Reynolds number and C_2 is a constant
$\zeta = \frac{C_3 m_s g}{\rho_a D v_s v_a u_T}$ [50]	A modification to the equation in 3 rd row