#### **LECTURE 21 – FLOW AND FORCE ANALYSIS OF VALVES**

### SELF EVALUATION QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1 A flow control valve is used to control the speed of the actuator as shown in the figure and the characteristics of the system are given in the following table. Determine the variable flow area Av, , the pressure downstream of the valve fixed orifice  $p_2$ , the valve displacement x, and the spring preload F for the given motor operating conditions.

	Parameters	Value	
	Valve flow constant ( $C_d$ )	0.6	
	Length h	7.8 mm	
	Valve area gradient for flow area	1.25 mm²/mm	
	$(A_v)$ , b		
	Fixed orifice flow area $(A_0)$	4.9 mm <sup>2</sup>	
	Valve face area	125 mm <sup>2</sup>	
	Spring constant	57 kN/m	
	Motor displacement ( $D_m$ )	40 cm <sup>3</sup> /rev	
	Motor torque	60 Nm	
	Motor speed	350 RPM	
	Motor Volumetric efficiency ( $\eta_{v}$ )	96 %	
	Motor mechanical efficiency ( $\eta_m$ )	97 5	
	System pressure ( $p_1$ )	14.5 MPa	
	Return pressure ( $p_4$ )	1 MPa	
	Fluid density	$840 \frac{kg}{m^3}$	
	VALVE WITH NO FLOW	VALVE WITH FLOW AND ACTUATOR OPERATING	
FLOW TO OTHER DEVICES	VALVE FACE AREA, A FLOW T OTHER DEVICE VARIABLE VALVE FLOW AREA, AV	$ \begin{array}{c}                                     $	

2 Leakage input flow  $Q = Q_1 + Q_2$  passes through the spool valve as shown in the figure. The oil flows past the two spool lands in annular passages as  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ . Write a set of equation, based on conventional fluid flow theory that can be solved for pressure  $p_s$  and the flow  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ .



Characteristics of flow division in a spool valve is given below

Spool diameter $d_{sp}$	20 mm
Land length $l_1$	93 mm
Land length $l_2$	73 mm
Spool radial clearance (centered)	0.025mm

3. Use the equations determined in the problem 2 to solve for numerical values of pressure  $p_s$ Leakage flow $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ , when the leakage input flow , $Q = Q_1 + Q_2$  equal to 0.01 L/s

### Q1 solution

Flow from pump divides as  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ . The pressure drop  $P_1 - P_2$  occurs acoss office  $A_0$ . This make valve to move to right against the spring force F. the area of orifice  $A_v$  then adjusts to control the flow to the motor.

$$h = \frac{7.8}{1000}m, w = \frac{1.25}{1000}mm. \ k = 57000N/m \ A_o = 4.9 \times 10^{-6}m^2 \ A = 125 \times 10^{-6}m^2$$
$$D_m = \frac{\frac{40}{100^3}m^3}{rev}, T = 60Nm. \ n = 350 \ RPM \ \rho = 840\frac{kg}{m^3}P_1 = 14.500 \times 1000N/m^2$$
$$\eta_V = 96 \ \% \ \eta_m = 97 \ \% \ , P_4 = 1000x1000 \ Pa \ \theta = \frac{2 \times \pi \times 350}{60} = 36.652 \ rad/s$$
$$Q_2 = \frac{\frac{40}{100^3}m^3}{0.96} \times \frac{350}{60} = 2.431 \times 10^{-4}m^3/s$$

$$p_3 = \frac{T}{0.97} \times \frac{2\pi}{\frac{40}{100^3}m^3} + p_4 = 1.072 \times 10^7 Pa$$

$$Q_2 = c_d A_o \sqrt{\frac{2}{840}} \times \sqrt{p_2} - p_1 = 2.431 \times \frac{10^{-4} m^3}{s}$$
, solving we get

$$p_2 = 1.163 \times 10^7 Pa$$

$$Q = c_{d}A_{V}\sqrt{\frac{2}{840}} \times \sqrt{p_{2}} - p_{3} = c_{d}(h-x)w\sqrt{\frac{2}{840}} \times \sqrt{p_{2}} - p_{3}, solving we get$$

 $A_V = 8.688 \times 10^{-6} m^2 \text{ or } 8.688 \ mm^2$ 

$$x = \frac{h \times w - A_V}{w} = 8.499 \times 10^{-4} m$$

 $p_1A = p_2A + KX + F$  solving we get F = 310.4 N

## Q2 solution

$$Q = \frac{0.01}{1000} LPS, d_p = \frac{20}{1000}, l_1 = \frac{93}{1000}, l_2 = \frac{73}{1000}, \mu = 0.01 \frac{Ns}{m^2}$$
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$$Q_L = -\frac{\pi D c^3 \Delta P}{12\mu L} \left[ 1 + \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{c}\right)^3 \right]$$
$$\left(\frac{\epsilon}{c}\right) = 1$$

Solving we get

$$Q_1 = = \frac{\pi D c^3 \Delta P}{12\mu l_1} [2.5]$$
$$Q_2 = = \frac{\pi D c^3 \Delta P}{12\mu l_2} [2.5]$$
$$Q = Q_1 + Q_2$$

# Q3 solution

$$Q_{1} = = \frac{\pi D c^{3} \Delta P}{12\mu l_{1}} [2.5]$$
$$Q_{2} = = \frac{\pi D c^{3} \Delta P}{12\mu l_{2}} [2.5]$$
$$Q = Q_{1} + Q_{2}$$

Use trial values of  $Q_1 = 10^{-5}$ ,  $Q_2 = 10^{-5}$  and  $p = 10^{5}$ 

Find 
$$Q_1, Q_2 p = \begin{cases} 4.398 \times 10^{-6} \\ 5.602 \times 10^{-6} \\ 2 \times 10^7 \end{cases}$$
  
 $Q_1 = 4.398 \times 10^{-6} \frac{m^3}{s}, Q_2 = 5.602 \times 10^{-6} \frac{m^3}{s}, p = 2 \times 10^7 Pa$