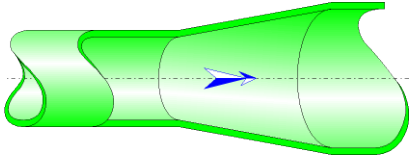




## Gradual Expansion Circular Cross-Section (IDELCHIK)



### Model description:

This model of component calculates the head loss (pressure drop) generated by the flow in a gradual expansion.

The head loss by friction in the inlet and outlet piping is not taken into account in this component.

### Model formulation:

Top angle of cone (°):

$$\alpha = 2 \cdot \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{D_1 - D_0}{2 \cdot l} \right)$$

Minor cross-sectional area (m<sup>2</sup>):

$$F_0 = \pi \cdot \frac{D_0^2}{4}$$

Major cross-sectional area (m<sup>2</sup>):

$$F_1 = \pi \cdot \frac{D_1^2}{4}$$

Cross-sections ratio:

$$n_0 = \frac{F_0}{F_1}$$

Mean velocity in minor diameter (m/s):

$$w_0 = \frac{Q}{F_0}$$

Mean velocity in major diameter (m/s):

$$w_1 = \frac{Q}{F_1}$$

Mass flow rate (kg/s):

$$G = Q \cdot \rho$$

Fluid volume in the truncated cone (m<sup>3</sup>):

$$V = l \cdot \frac{\pi}{3} \cdot \left( \left( \frac{D_0}{2} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{D_1}{2} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{D_0}{2} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{D_1}{2} \right) \right)$$

Fluid mass in the truncated cone (kg):

$$M = V \cdot \rho$$

Reynolds number in minor diameter:

$$Re_0 = \frac{w_0 \cdot D_0}{\nu}$$

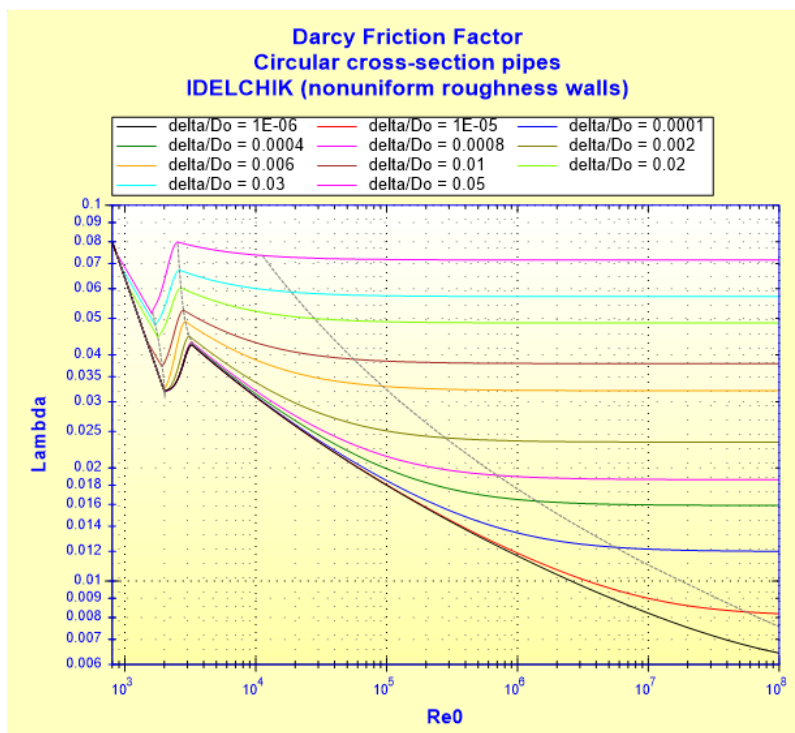
Reynolds number in major diameter:

$$Re_1 = \frac{w_1 \cdot D_1}{\nu}$$

Darcy friction factor:

$$\lambda = f \left( Re_0, \frac{\Delta}{D_0} \right)$$

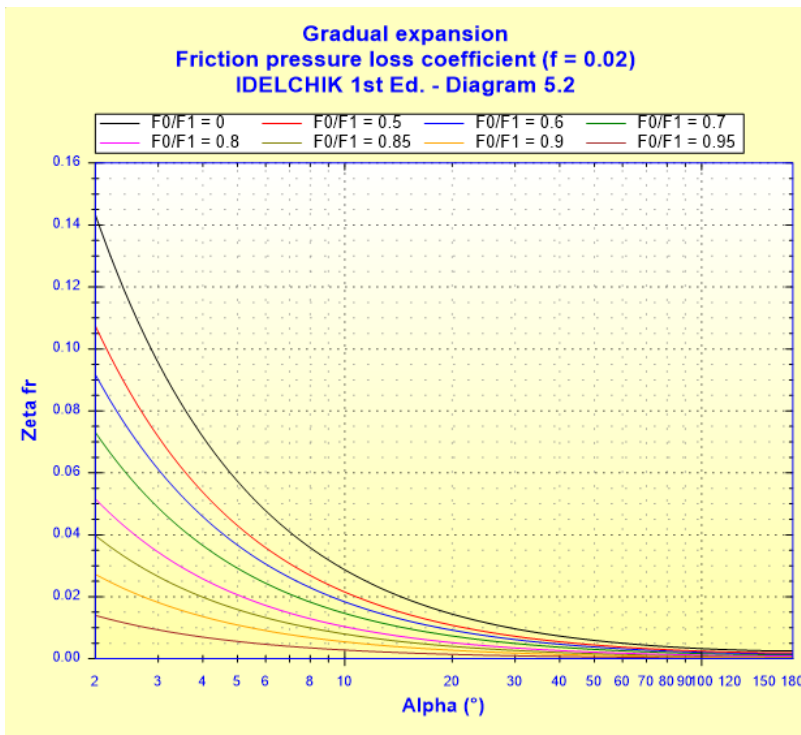
See [Straight Pipe - Circular Cross-Section and Nonuniform Roughness Walls \(IDELCHIK\)](#)



Friction resistance coefficient:

$$\zeta_{fr} = \frac{\lambda}{8 \cdot \sin(\alpha / 2)} \cdot \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{F_0}{F_1} \right)^2 \right]$$

([1] diagram 5.2)

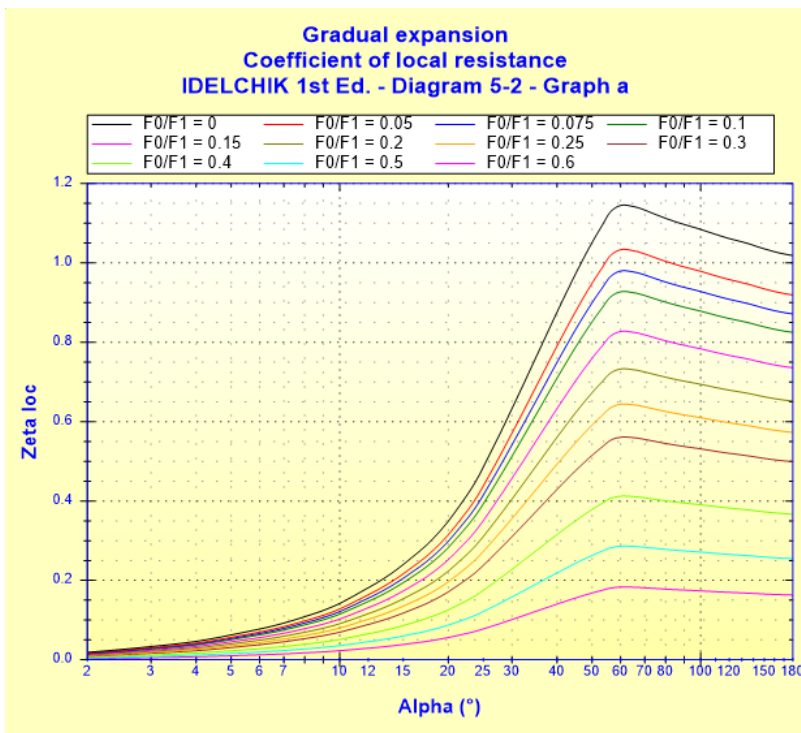


([1] diagram 5.2 with  $\lambda = 0.02$ )

Local resistance coefficient:

$$\zeta_{loc} = f\left(\alpha, \frac{F_0}{F_1}\right)$$

([1] diagram 5.2 graph a)



Total pressure loss coefficient (based on mean velocity in minor diameter):

$$\zeta = \zeta_{loc} + \zeta_{fr}$$

Total pressure loss (Pa):

$$\Delta P = \zeta \cdot \frac{\rho \cdot w_0^2}{2}$$

Total head loss of fluid (m):

$$\Delta H = \zeta \cdot \frac{w_0^2}{2 \cdot g}$$

Hydraulic power loss (W):

$$Wh = \Delta P \cdot Q$$

### Symbols, Definitions, SI Units:

$D_0$	Minor diameter (m)
$D_1$	Major diameter (m)
$\alpha$	Top angle of cone (°)
$l$	Truncated cone length (m)
$F_0$	Minor cross-sectional area (m <sup>2</sup> )
$F_1$	Major cross-sectional area (m <sup>2</sup> )
$n_0$	Cross-sections area ratio ( )
$w_0$	Mean velocity in minor diameter (m/s)
$w_1$	Mean velocity in major diameter (m/s)
$Q$	Volume flow rate (m <sup>3</sup> /s)
$G$	Mass flow rate (kg/s)
$V$	Fluid volume in the truncated cone (m <sup>3</sup> )
$M$	Fluid mass in the truncated cone (kg)
$Re_0$	Reynolds number in minor diameter ( )
$Re_1$	Reynolds number in major diameter ( )
$\Delta$	Absolute roughness of walls (m)
$\bar{\Delta}$	Relative roughness of walls ( )
$\lambda$	Darcy friction factor ( )
$\zeta_{loc}$	Local resistance coefficient ( )
$\zeta_{fr}$	Friction resistance coefficient ( )
$\zeta$	Total pressure loss coefficient (based on mean velocity in minor diameter) ( )
$\Delta P$	Total pressure loss (Pa)
$\Delta H$	Total head loss of fluid (m)
$Wh$	Hydraulic power loss (W)
$\rho$	Fluid density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )
$\nu$	Fluid kinematic viscosity (m <sup>2</sup> /s)
$g$	Gravitational acceleration (m/s <sup>2</sup> )

### Validity range:

- turbulent flow regime in minor diameter ( $Re_0 \geq 10^5$ )

## Example of application:

HydrauCalc 2018b - [Gradual expansion - IDELCHIK (1st Ed.)]

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Fluid characteristics

Fluid : Water @ 1 atm [HC]  
Ref.: IAPWS IF97

Temperature : T 20 °C  
Pressure : P 1.013 bar

Density :  $\rho$  998.2061 kg/m<sup>3</sup>  
Dynamic Viscosity :  $\mu$  0.00100159 N.s/m<sup>2</sup>  
Kinematic Viscosity :  $\nu$  1.00340E-06 m<sup>2</sup>/s

Density  Dyn. Visc.  Kn. Visc.

Geometrical characteristics

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G 4.9910 kg/s  
Q 0.005 m<sup>3</sup>/s  
3.427 m/s (Turbulent)  $w_0$

Pressure loss  $\Delta P$  0.02483769 bar  
 $\Delta H$  0.2537 m of fluid

Complementary results

Designation	Symbol	Value	Unit
Diameters ratio	$D_0/D_1$	0.6130868	
Minor cross-section area	$F_0$	0.001458963	m <sup>2</sup>
Major cross-section area	$F_1$	0.003881508	m <sup>2</sup>
Cross-sections area ratio	$F_0/F_1$	0.3758754	
Internal truncated cone volume	$V$	2.573391E-05	m <sup>3</sup>
Mass of fluid in the truncated cone	$M$	0.02568774	kg
Minor diameter Reynolds number	$Re_0$	147207.5	
Major diameter Reynolds number	$Re_1$	90251	
Relative roughness	$\Delta$	0.0002320186	
Top angle of cone	$\alpha$	107.3464	°
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Darcy Friction Factor	$\lambda$	0.01948662	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Friction pressure loss coefficient	$\zeta_{fr}$	0.002596271	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coefficient of local resistance (Diagram 5-2)	$\zeta_{loc}$	0.4211148	
Pressure loss coefficient (based on velocity in minor diameter)	$\zeta$	0.4237111	
Hydraulic power loss	$Wh$	12.41884	W

## References:

[1] Handbook of Hydraulic Resistance, 1st Edition, I.E. Idelchik