

COURSE OVERVIEW PE0531
Flare, Blowdown & Pressure Relief Systems
Operation, Maintenance & Troubleshooting

Course Title

Flare, Blowdown & Pressure Relief Systems:
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Course Reference

PE0531

Course Duration/Credits

Five days/3.0 CEUs/30 PDHs



Course Date/Venue

Session(s)	Date	Venue
1	January 14-18, 2024	Kizkulesi, Crown Plaza Istanbul Asia Hotels & Convention Center, Istanbul, Turkey
2	February 25–29, 2024	Oryx Meeting Room, Doubletree By Hilton Doha-Al Sadd, Doha, Qatar
3	March 03-07, 2024	Boardroom 1, Elite Byblos Hotel Al Barsha, Sheikh Zayed Road, Dubai, UAE

Course Description



This practical and highly-interactive course includes various practical sessions and exercises. Theory learnt will be applied using our state-of-the-art simulators.



The flare, blowdown and pressure relief systems are the most important elements for emergency and operational discharge of flammable substances in the process facilities. Safety relief and flare systems control vapors and liquids that are released by pressure-relieving devices and blowdowns. Pressure relief is an automatic, planned release when operating pressure reaches a predetermined level. Blowdown normally refers to the intentional release of material, such as blowdowns from process unit start-ups, furnace blowdowns, shutdowns, and emergencies. Vapor depressuring is the rapid removal of vapors from pressure vessels in case of fire. This may be accomplished by the use of a rupture disc, usually set at a higher pressure than the relief valve.



The principal elements of the safety relief and flare systems are the individual pressure relief devices, the flare piping system, the flare separator drum, and the flare (including igniters, tips, sealing devices, purge and steam injection for smokeless burning). Application of relief devices must comply with appropriate ASME Vessel Codes and API 520/521 standards.

Design of relief devices must comply with applicable national codes and laws as well as the requirements of the insurance covering the plant or installation. National regulations not only cover safety but also environmental considerations such as air and water pollution and noise abatement.

This course presents a convenient overview of relief system details based on the full scope of API, ASME, and other code and specification requirements. It covers all aspects of relief flare systems from the emergency relief sources through the valving and flare network right to the stack and flare tip. Descriptions and design criteria will be outlined for flare tips, seals, stacks, knockout drums, header systems, relief valves, depressurization systems and basic hazard analysis. Alternative design methods will be also described with reference to the specific nature of relief and flare systems worldwide.

Course Objectives

Upon the successful completion of this course, each participant will be able to:-

- Apply an in-depth knowledge and skills in the design, operation and maintenance of flare, blowdown and pressure relief systems
- Discuss product specification and identify the different types of flow measurement
- Review the various instrumentation and sensing devices used in flare, blowdown and pressure relief systems
- Carryout installation, troubleshooting and calibration of the control systems used in plant
- Determine the components and function of the relief systems and practice the sizing and installation of the relieving devices
- Identify the types, features and application of flare systems
- Determine the applicable codes, standards and recommended practices for flare, blowdown and pressure relief systems
- Acquire knowledge on product storage and tanks and recognize the importance of product recovery
- Evaluate the scope of waste heat recovery and explain its role in flare and pressure relief systems

Who Should Attend

This course provides systematic techniques on the design, operation and maintenance of flare, blowdown and pressure relief systems. Operations personnel, supervisors, engineers, maintenance personnel, senior plant supervisors, operations process support engineers, design engineers and process engineers will gain an outstanding knowledge from the practical and operational aspects of the course.

Training Methodology

All our Courses are including **Hands-on Practical Sessions** using equipment, State-of-the-Art Simulators, Drawings, Case Studies, Videos and Exercises. The courses include the following training methodologies as a percentage of the total tuition hours:-

- 30% Lectures
- 20% Practical Workshops & Work Presentations
- 30% Hands-on Practical Exercises & Case Studies
- 20% Simulators (Hardware & Software) & Videos


In an unlikely event, the course instructor may modify the above training methodology before or during the course for technical reasons.

Course Certificate(s)

Internationally recognized certificates will be issued to all participants of the course who completed a minimum of 80% of the total tuition hours.

Certificate Accreditations


Certificates are accredited by the following international accreditation organizations: -

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The International Accreditors for Continuing Education and Training (IACET - USA)

Haward Technology is an Authorized Training Provider by the International Accreditors for Continuing Education and Training (IACET), 2201 Cooperative Way, Suite 600, Herndon, VA 20171, USA. In obtaining this authority, Haward Technology has demonstrated that it complies with the **ANSI/IACET 2018-1 Standard** which is widely recognized as the standard of good practice internationally. As a result of our Authorized Provider membership status, Haward Technology is authorized to offer IACET CEUs for its programs that qualify under the **ANSI/IACET 2018-1 Standard**.

Haward Technology's courses meet the professional certification and continuing education requirements for participants seeking **Continuing Education Units (CEUs)** in accordance with the rules & regulations of the International Accreditors for Continuing Education & Training (IACET). IACET is an international authority that evaluates programs according to strict, research-based criteria and guidelines. The CEU is an internationally accepted uniform unit of measurement in qualified courses of continuing education.

Haward Technology Middle East will award **3.0 CEUs** (Continuing Education Units) or **30 PDHs** (Professional Development Hours) for participants who completed the total tuition hours of this program. One CEU is equivalent to ten Professional Development Hours (PDHs) or ten contact hours of the participation in and completion of Haward Technology programs. A permanent record of a participant's involvement and awarding of CEU will be maintained by Haward Technology. Haward Technology will provide a copy of the participant's CEU and PDH Transcript of Records upon request.

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British Accreditation Council (BAC)

Haward Technology is accredited by the **British Accreditation Council for Independent Further and Higher Education** as an **International Centre**. BAC is the British accrediting body responsible for setting standards within independent further and higher education sector in the UK and overseas. As a BAC-accredited international centre, Haward Technology meets all of the international higher education criteria and standards set by BAC.

Accommodation

Accommodation is not included in the course fees. However, any accommodation required can be arranged at the time of booking.

Course Instructor(s)

This course will be conducted by the following instructor(s). However, we have the right to change the course instructor(s) prior to the course date and inform participants accordingly:



Mr. Mervyn Frampton is a **Senior Process Engineer** with over **30 years** of industrial experience within the **Oil & Gas, Refinery, Petrochemical** and **Utilities** industries. His expertise lies extensively in the areas of **Process Troubleshooting, Distillation Towers, Fundamentals of Distillation** for Engineers, **Distillation Operation and Troubleshooting, Advanced Distillation Troubleshooting, Distillation Technology, Vacuum Distillation, Distillation Column Operation & Control, Oil Movement Storage & Troubleshooting, Process Equipment Design, Applied Process Engineering Elements, Process Plant Optimization, Revamping & Debottlenecking, Process Plant Troubleshooting & Engineering Problem Solving, Process Plant Monitoring, Catalyst Selection & Production Optimization, Operations Abnormalities & Plant Upset, Process Plant Start-up & Commissioning, Clean Fuel Technology & Standards, Flare, Blowdown & Pressure Relief Systems, Oil & Gas Field Commissioning Techniques, Pressure Vessel Operation, Gas Processing, Chemical Engineering, Process Reactors Start-Up & Shutdown, Gasoline Blending** for Refineries, **Urea Manufacturing Process Technology, Continuous Catalytic Reformer (CCR), De-Sulfurization Technology, Advanced Operational & Troubleshooting Skills, Principles of Operations Planning, Rotating Equipment Maintenance & Troubleshooting, Hazardous Waste Management & Pollution Prevention, Heat Exchangers & Fired Heaters Operation & Troubleshooting, Energy Conservation Skills, Catalyst Technology, Refinery & Process Industry, Chemical Analysis, Process Plant, Commissioning & Start-Up, Alkylation, Hydrogenation, Dehydrogenation, Isomerization, Hydrocracking & De-Alkylation, Fluidized Catalytic Cracking, Catalytic Hydrodesulphuriser, Kerosene Hydrotreater, Thermal Cracker, Catalytic Reforming, Polymerization, Polyethylene, Polypropylene, Pilot Water Treatment Plant, Gas Cooling, Cooling Water Systems, Effluent Systems, Material Handling Systems, Gasifier, Gasification, Coal Feeder System, Sulphur Extraction Plant, Crude Distillation Unit, Acid Plant Revamp and Crude Pumping.** Further, he is also well-versed in HSE Leadership, Project and Programme Management, Project Coordination, Project Cost & Schedule Monitoring, Control & Analysis, Team Building, Relationship Management, Quality Management, Performance Reporting, Project Change Control, Commercial Awareness and Risk Management.

During his career life, Mr. Frampton held significant positions as the **Site Engineering Manager, Senior Project Manager, Process Engineering Manager, Project Engineering Manager, Construction Manager, Site Manager, Area Manager, Procurement Manager, Factory Manager, Technical Services Manager, Senior Project Engineer, Process Engineer, Project Engineer, Assistant Project Manager, Handover Coordinator and Engineering Coordinator** from various international companies such as the **Fluor Daniel, KBR South Africa, ESKOM, MEGAWATT PARK, CHEMEPIC, PDPS, CAKASA, Worley Parsons, Lurgi South Africa, Sasol, Foster Wheeler, Bosch & Associates, BCG Engineering Contractors, Fina Refinery, Sapref Refinery, Secunda Engine Refinery** just to name a few.

Mr. Frampton has a **Bachelor degree** in **Industrial Chemistry** from **The City University** in **London**. Further, he is a **Certified Instructor/Trainer, a Certified Internal Verifier/Trainer/Assessor** by the **Institute of Leadership & Management (ILM)** and has delivered numerous trainings, courses, workshops, conferences and seminars internationally.

Course Fee

Istanbul	US\$ 6,000 per Delegate + VAT . This rate includes Participants Pack (Folder, Manual, Hand-outs, etc.), buffet lunch, coffee/tea on arrival, morning & afternoon of each day.
Doha	US\$ 6,000 per Delegate. This rate includes H-STK® (Haward Smart Training Kit), buffet lunch, coffee/tea on arrival, morning & afternoon of each day.
Dubai	US\$ 5,500 per Delegate + VAT . This rate includes H-STK® (Haward Smart Training Kit), buffet lunch, coffee/tea on arrival, morning & afternoon of each day.

Course Program

The following program is planned for this course. However, the course instructor(s) may modify this program before or during the course for technical reasons with no prior notice to participants. Nevertheless, the course objectives will always be met:

Day 1

0730 – 0800	<i>Registration & Coffee</i>
0800 – 0815	<i>Welcome & Introduction</i>
0815 – 0830	PRE-TEST
0830 – 0930	Product Specification <i>LP-Gas Specification Parameters • Vapor Pressure • Moisture Content • Sulfur Content • Volatile Residue • Non-Volatile Residue • Non-Specification Contaminants • Odorization</i>
0930 – 0945	<i>Break</i>
0945 – 1100	Flow Measurement <i>Flow Calculation Guide • Gas Measurement & Pipe Rupture • Liquid Measurement • Mass Measurement • Steam Measurement • Miscellaneous Measurement Devices • Auxiliary Equipment and Common Terms</i>
1100 – 1230	Instrumentation & Sensing Devices <i>General Instrumentation Considerations • Identification • Pneumatic Power Supplies • Electronic Power Supplies • Pressure Sensors • Level Sensors • Temperature Sensors • Flow Sensors • Signal Transmitters • Pneumatic Transmitters • Electronic Transmitters • Signal Converters • Recorders and Indicators</i>
1230 – 1245	<i>Break</i>
1245 – 1420	Control Systems <i>Control Concepts • Control Modes and Controllers • Controller Tuning • Control Valves • Liquid Service • Sizing Calculation Procedure • Installation, Troubleshooting, and Calibration • Digital Computers • Digital First-Level Control Systems • Analytical Instruments</i>
1420 – 1430	Recap <i>Using this Course Overview, the Instructor(s) will Brief Participants about the Topics that were Discussed Today and Advise Them of the Topics to be Discussed Tomorrow</i>
1430	<i>Lunch & End of Day One</i>



Day 2

0730 – 0930	Relief Systems Relief Device Design • Blocked Discharge • Fire Exposure • Tube Rupture
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1115	Relief Systems (cont'd) Control Valve Failure • Thermal Expansion • Utility Failure
1115 – 1230	Relieving Devices Safety Relief Valves • Rupture Disk • Sizing of Relief Devices
1230 – 1245	Break
1245 – 1420	Relieving Devices (cont'd) Relief Valve Installation • Relief System Piping Design • Knockout Drums
1420 – 1430	Recap
1430	Lunch & End of Day Two

Day 3

0730 – 0930	Flare Systems Types of Flare Systems • Thermal Radiation • Smokeless Operation • Pilots and Ignition
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1115	Flare Systems (cont'd) Seals • Location and Regulations • Special Relief System Considerations • Low Temperature Flaring
1115 – 1230	Applicable Codes, Standards & Recommended Practices ASME Codes • ANSI Codes • API Publications
1230 – 1245	Break
1245 – 1420	Applicable Codes, Standards & Recommended Practices (cont'd) NFPA Publications • OSHA Publications • CGA (Compressed Gas Association) Publications
1420 – 1430	Recap
1430	Lunch & End of Day Three

Day 4

0730 – 0930	Product Storage & Tanks Storage Classification • Working Pressures • Types of Storage • Materials of Construction • Protective Coatings • Insulation • Appurtenances • Site Preparation and Installation • Cathodic Protection
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1100	Product Recovery Product Losses • Vapor Recovery Systems • Separators and Filters • Fired Equipment • Hot Oil System
1100 – 1230	Waste Heat Recovery Heat Exchangers Overview • Heat Balances • Shell and Tube Exchangers • Fouling Resistances • Film Resistances • Performance Evaluation with Sensible Heat Transfer • Condensers





1230 – 1245	Break
1245 – 1420	Waste Heat Recovery Reboilers and Vaporizers • Selection of Exchanger Components • Nomenclature • Shell Size and Tube Count Estimation • Operating Characteristics • Inlet Gas Exchanger • Hairpin Heat Exchangers
1420 – 1430	Recap
1430	Lunch & End of Day Four

Day 5

0730 – 0930	Operation, Maintenance & Troubleshooting
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1100	Operation, Maintenance & Troubleshooting (cont'd)
1100 – 1230	Operation, Maintenance & Troubleshooting (cont'd)
1230 – 1245	Break
1245 – 1345	Operation, Maintenance & Troubleshooting (cont'd)
1345 – 1400	Course Conclusion
1400 – 1415	POST-TEST
1415 – 1430	Presentation of Course Certificates
1430	Lunch & End of Course

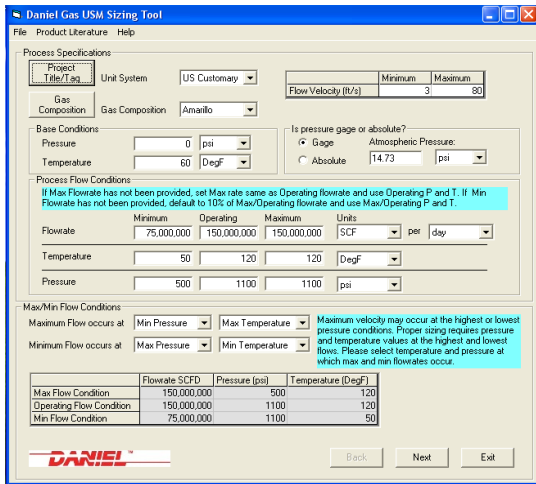




Simulators (Hands-on Practical Sessions)

Practical sessions will be organized during the course for delegates to practice the theory learnt. Delegates will be provided with an opportunity to carryout various exercises using our “Valve Demo Kit”, “Gas Ultrasonic Meter Sizing Tool”, “Liquid Turbine Meter and Control Valve Sizing Tool”, “Liquid Ultrasonic Meter Sizing Tool” and “Orifice Flow Calculator” simulators “Valve Sizing Simulator”, “Valve Simulator 3.0”, “Valvestar 7.2 Simulator” and “PRV²SIZE Simulator”.





Daniel Gas USM Sizing Tool

Process Specifications

Unit System: US Customary

Gas Composition: Amairlo

Flow Velocity (ft/s): Minimum 3, Maximum 80

Base Conditions

Pressure: 0 psi

Temperature: 60 DegF

Process Flow Conditions

Flowrate: Minimum 75,000,000, Operating 150,000,000, Maximum 150,000,000 SCF per day

Temperature: 50, 120, 120 DegF

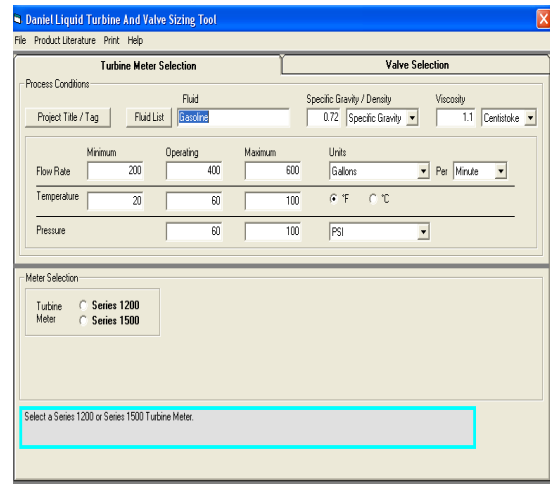
Pressure: 500, 1100, 1100 psi

Max/Min Flow Conditions

	Flowrate SCFD	Pressure (psi)	Temperature (DegF)
Max Flow Condition	150,000,000	500	120
Operating Flow Condition	150,000,000	1100	120
Min Flow Condition	75,000,000	1100	50

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Gas Ultrasonic Meter (USM) Sizing Tool Simulator



Daniel Liquid Turbine And Valve Sizing Tool

Process Conditions

Fluid: Gasoline

Specific Gravity / Density: 0.72

Viscosity: 1.1 Centistoke

Flow Rate: Minimum 200, Operating 400, Maximum 600 Gallons Per Minute

Temperature: 20, 60, 100 °F °C

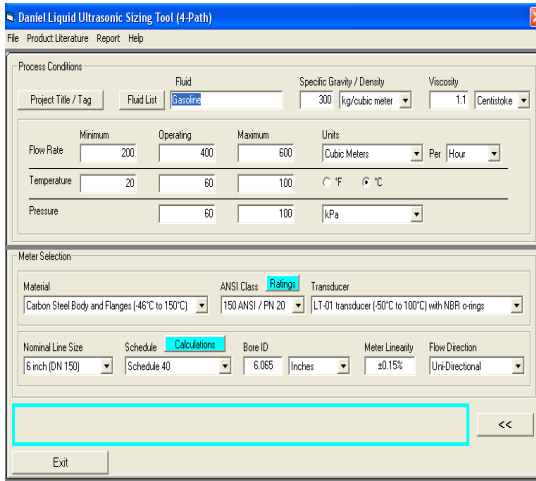
Pressure: 60, 100 PSI

Meter Selection

Turbine Meter: Series 1200, Series 1500

Select a Series 1200 or Series 1500 Turbine Meter.

Liquid Turbine Meter and Control Valve Sizing Tool Simulator



Daniel Liquid Ultrasonic Sizing Tool (4-Path)

Process Conditions

Fluid: Gasoline

Specific Gravity / Density: 300 kg/cubic meter

Viscosity: 1.1 Centistoke

Flow Rate: Minimum 200, Operating 400, Maximum 600 Cubic Meters Per Hour

Temperature: 20, 60, 100 °F °C

Pressure: 60, 100 kPa

Meter Selection

Material: Carbon Steel Body and Flanges (46°C to 150°C)

ANSI Class: Ratings

Transducer: LT-01 transducer (50°C to 100°C) with NBR o-rings

Nominal Line Size: 6 inch (DN 150)

Schedule: Schedule 40

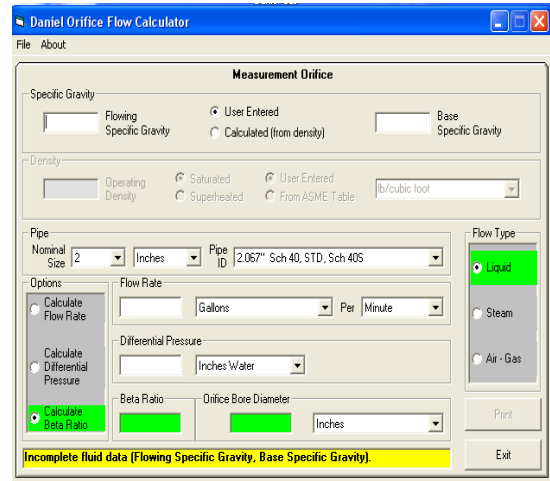
Bore ID: 6.065 inches

Meter Linearity: ±0.15%

Flow Direction: Uni-Directional

Buttons: Exit

Liquid Ultrasonic Meter Sizing Tool Simulator



Daniel Orifice Flow Calculator

Measurement Orifice

Specific Gravity: User Entered / Calculated (from density)

Density: Operating / Saturated / Superheated / From ASME Table

Pipe: Nominal Size 2 Inches, Pipe ID 2.067" Sch 40, STD, Sch 40S

Options: Calculate Flow Rate, Calculate Differential Pressure, Calculate Beta Ratio

Flow Type: Liquid, Steam, Air - Gas

Flow Rate: Gallons Per Minute

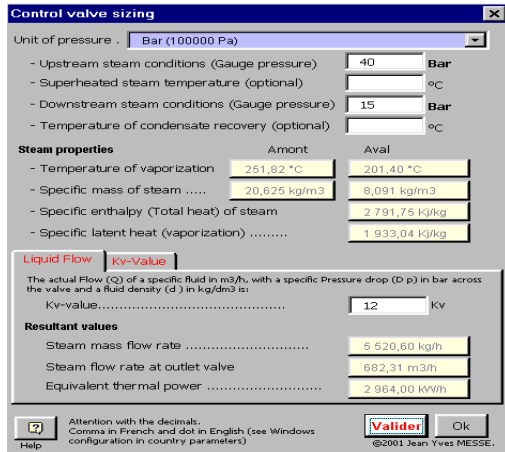
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Beta Ratio: Orifice Bore Diameter

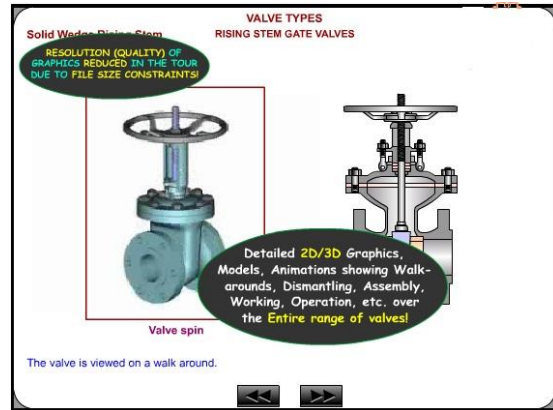
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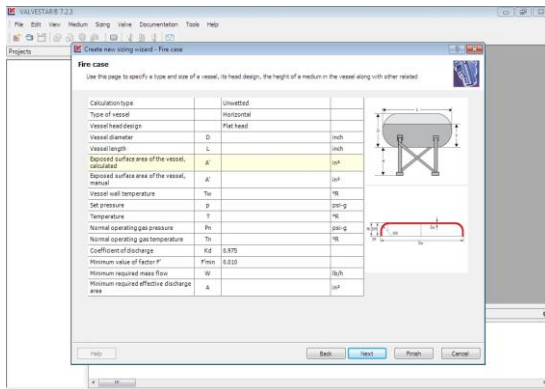
Orifice Flow Calculator Simulator



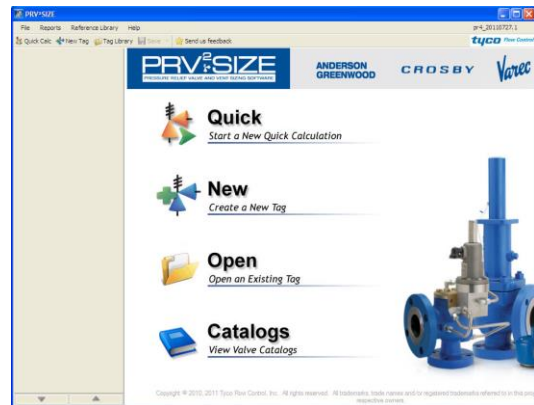
Valve Sizing Simulator



Valve Simulator 3.0



Valvestar 7.2 Simulator



PRV²SIZE Simulator

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