

Pressure Measurement

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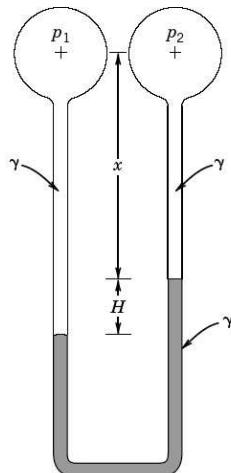
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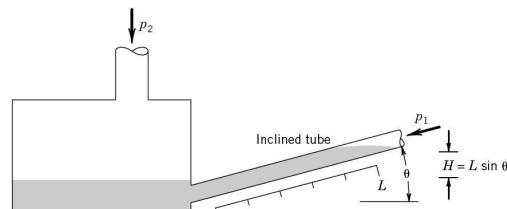
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Manometer



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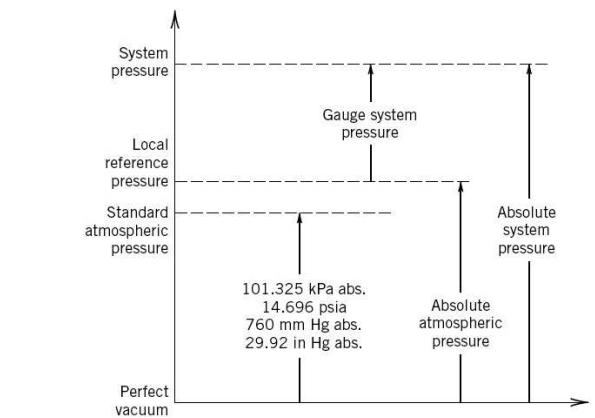
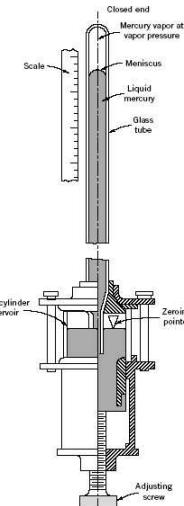


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$$P_1 - P_2 = (\gamma_m - \gamma)H = (\rho_m - \rho)gH$$

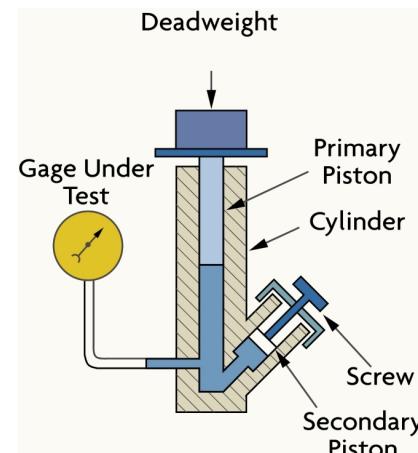


Barometer & Relative Pressure Scales



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Dead-Weight Tester for Static Calibration

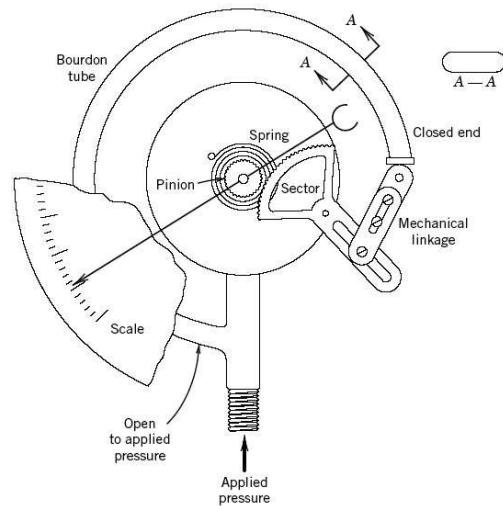


Sources of errors:

- Friction between the piston and the cylinder.
- Uncertainty of area of the piston.



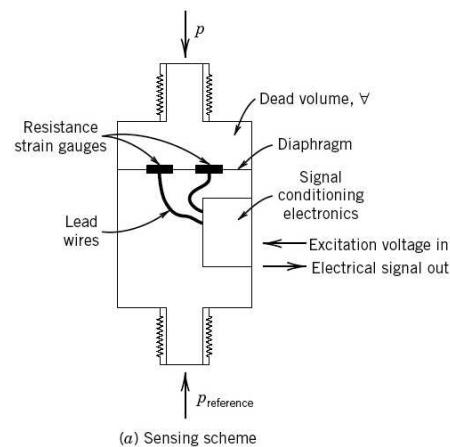
Bourdon Tube Pressure Gauge



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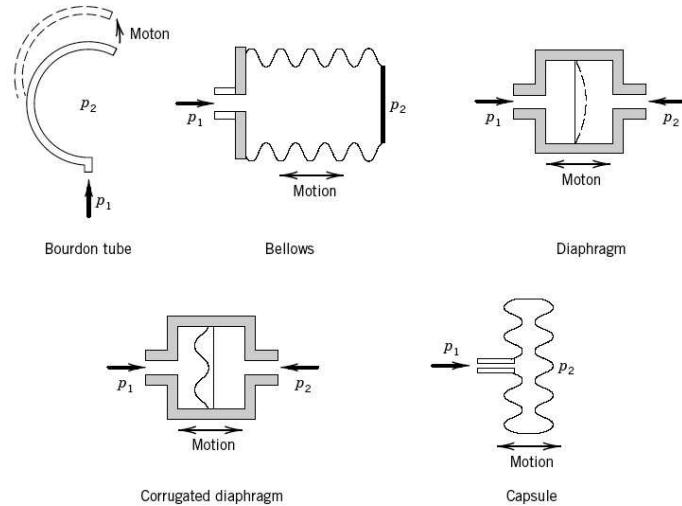


Diaphragm Pressure Transducer



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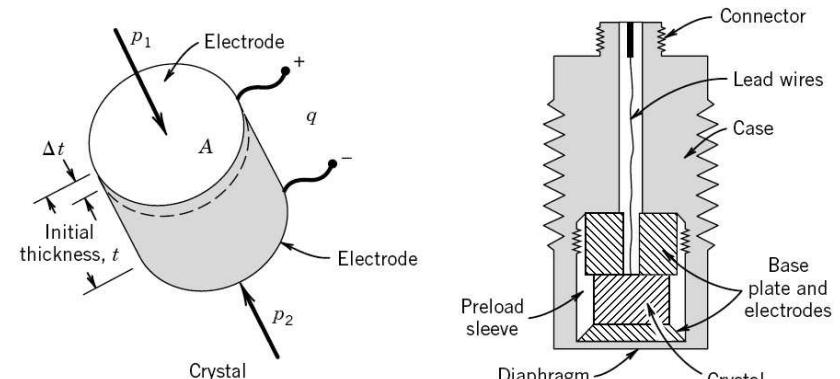
Elastic Elements Used as Pressure Sensors



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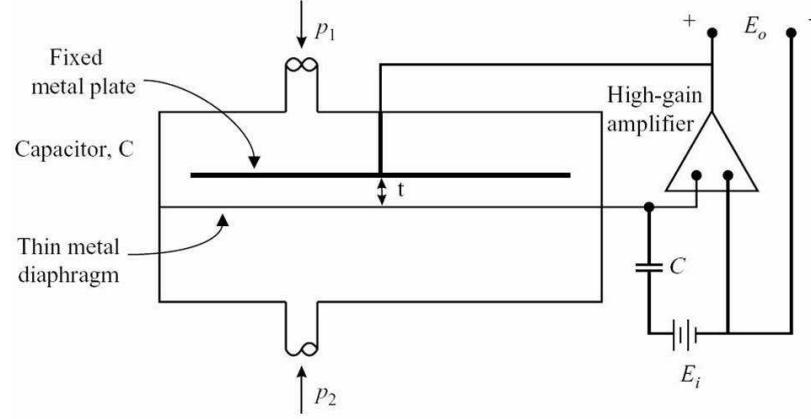
Piezoelectric Pressure Transducer



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Capacitance Pressure Transducer

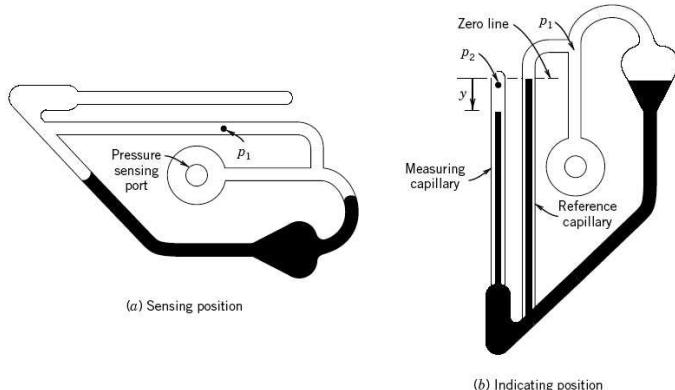


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Measurement of Low Pressure

McLeod Gauge ($0.1 \rightarrow 1.0$ torr)



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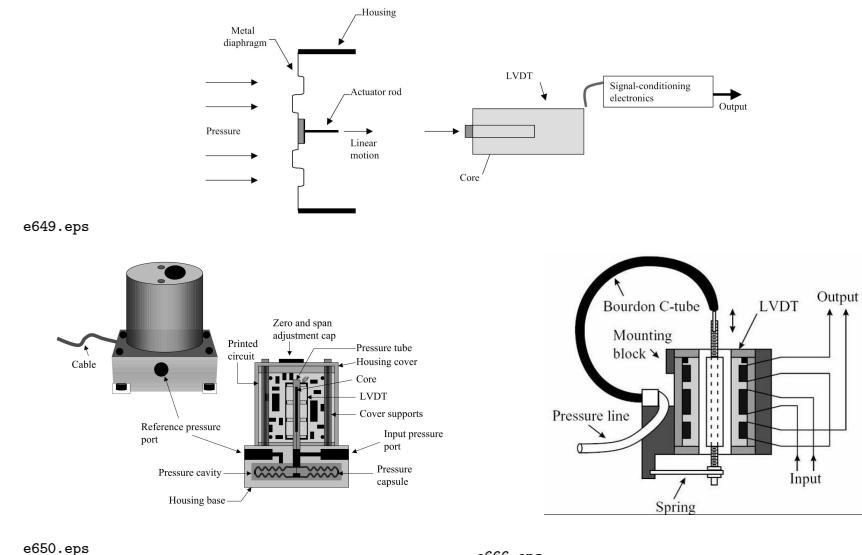
$$P = \frac{Ay^2}{V_b - Ay}$$

$V_b \equiv$ volume of capillary, bulb & tube down to the opening.

$A \equiv$ cross-section area of the capillary.



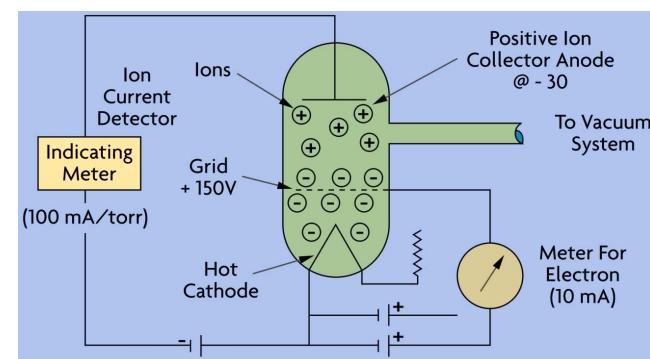
LVDT Pressure Transducer



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Measurement of Low Pressure

Ionization Gauge ($10^{-10} \rightarrow 10^{-2}$ torr)

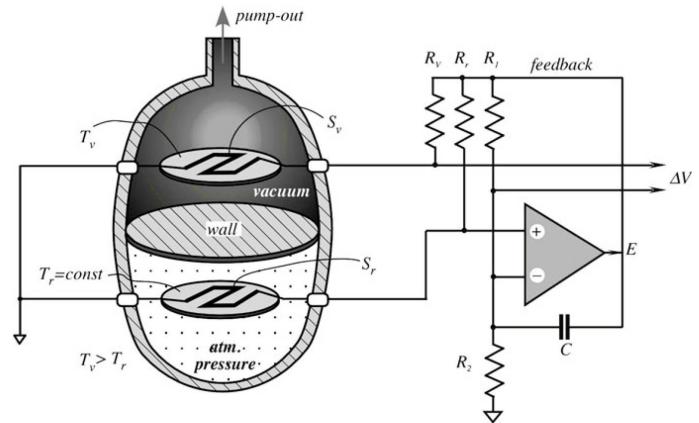


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Heated cathode emits electrons into the vacuum, where they collide with gas molecules to create ions. These positively charged ions are accelerated toward a collector where they create a current in a conventional ion gauge detector circuit. The amount of current formed is proportional to the gas density or pressure.



Pirani Thermal-conductivity Gauge ($10^{-2} \rightarrow 1$ torr)



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At low pressures the effective thermal conductivity of gases decreases with pressure. The Pirani gauge is a device that measures the pressure through the change in thermal conductance of the gas.

