Analysis of a basic vertical tube without and with gravity

This example is however not so obvious: the model is shown right:

- the two junctions have the same area (= section of diameter 0.01m)
- pressure up $P_{up} = 2$ bar ; pressure down $P_{down} = 1$ bar, tube length = 10 m

1. First effect of Tube diameter 0.1 m and 0.01 m, with frictionless tube and without any acceleration:

- Tube diameter of 0.1: the two junctions play the same role • between infinite volume: their zeta is around 1.5 : the expected result is that the pressure in the frictionless tube is $P_{tube} = P_{up}$ - 50% of the deltaP between P_{up} and P_{down} , so $P_{tube} = 1.5$ bar.
- Tube diameter of 0.01 : the two junctions have different zeta: Junction1 is from infinite volume to a continuation tube having same area: Junction1. $_{zeta} = 0.5$; Junction2 is from a tube having same area to infinite volume: Junction2. $_{zeta} = 1$. At first glance, an expected result could be that the pressure in the frictionless tube is $P_{tube} = P_{up} - 0.5/(0.5+1)$ so $= P_{up} - 0.5/(0.5+1)$ 33% of the deltaP between P_{up} and $P_{down} = 1.66$ bar. But this



is not correct because the pressure loss is an energy loss so between Total pressure! The dynamic pressure $(\frac{1}{2}\rho V^2)$ is significant (and in this case, the pressure loss in the junction is zeta x the same dynamic pressure because junction and tube have same section with D=0.01m) so:

- for Junction1: $(P_{up}+\frac{1}{2}\rho O^2)-(P_{tube}+\frac{1}{2}\rho V^2)=$ Junction1._{zeta} $\frac{1}{2}\rho V^2=$ **0.5** $\frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$ this lead to the static 0 pressure $P_{tube} = P_{up} - \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2 - 0.5 \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$ that is $P_{tube} = P_{up} - 1.5 \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$
- o for Junction2: $(P_{tube} + \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2) (P_{down} + \frac{1}{2}\rho 0^2) = Junction2_{zeta} \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2 = 1 \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$ this lead to the static pressure $P_{tube} = P_{down} + 1 \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2 - \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$ that is $P_{tube} = P_{down} = 1$ bar



Finally this is fully reproduced in the plot below where the change in diameter occur at 5s.

2. Effetc of Tube diameter, with frictionless tube but with acceleration of g=+9.8 m/s²:

Tube diameter of 0.1 : the two junctions play the same role between infinite volume: their zeta is around 1.5 : the expected result is that the pressure in the frictionless tube depends on the location in the tube: for the middle of the tube (Tube.P[3]) there are no changes wrt to the case without acceleration, so Tube.P[3]=1.5 bar, but for the exit at the bottom "Tube.Pn" the pressure is increased by +1 bar (=-pg(-10)) wrt the entrance "Tube.P1".

$$\frac{-pg(-10)}{Tube.Pn} = 1 \text{ bar}$$

$$(Tube.Pn+Tube.P1)/2=Tube.P[3]=1.5 bar$$

Hence Tube.Pn= Tube.P[3] +0.5 bar= 2 bar

Note that the right use of g on Earth is to put a positive value along an axis Z oriented to top (actually $g=+9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ is the reaction to the gravity acceleration, similar to acceleration due to a rocket engine)



- Tube diameter of 0.01 : Junction1 is from infinite volume to a continuation tube having same area: Junction1._{zeta} = 0.5 ; Junction2 from a tube having same area to an infinite volume: Junction2._{zeta} = 1. The dynamic pressure ($\frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$) is significant and Archimedes pressure too so:
 - for Junction1: $(P_{up}+\frac{1}{2}\rho O^2)-(P1+\frac{1}{2}\rho V^2)=$ Junction1._{zeta} $\frac{1}{2}\rho V^2=0.5 \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$ this lead to the static pressure P1= $P_{up}-\frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$ that is P1= $P_{up}-1.5 \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$
 - for Junction2: $(Pn+\frac{1}{2}\rho V^2)$ $(P_{down}+\frac{1}{2}\rho 0^2)$ = Junction2._{zeta} $\frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$ = $1\frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$ this lead to the static pressure $Pn = P_{down} + \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$ $\frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$ that is $Pn = P_{down} = 1$ bar Hence, from Pn-P1=1 bar (= $-\rho g(-10)$): P1= P_{down} -1 bar= 0 bar : that is well known.
- Finally this is fully reproduced in the plot above where the change in diameter occur at 15s.

3. Effect of Tube diameter with friction in the tube and without any acceleration:

- Tube diameter of 0.1 : idem as \$1) because the diameter is so large that the ΔP friction is very low
- Tube diameter of 0.01 : the mass flow rate reduce a lot due to friction in the 10 m of the small diameter tube (L/D=1000): the tube "eat" all the ΔP, the dynamic pressure become very low, thus the pressures in the tube from P1 (at the top) to Pn (at the bottom) are regularly spaced and decreasing. Note that between P1 and P[01] there is only half cell length, between P[01] and P[02]: one cell length.... and between P[05] and Pn there is only half cell length: this is shown in the plot below (where the change in diameter occured at 25s).



4. Effect of Tube diameter with friction in the tube and with acceleration:

- Tube diameter of 0.1 : idem as \S 2) because the diameter is so large that the Δ P friction is very low
- Tube diameter of 0.01 : very similar to the case above §3: the mass flow rate reduce a lot due to friction in the 10 m of the small diameter tube (L/D=1000): the tube "eat" all the ΔP , the dynamic pressure become very low, thus the pressures in the tube from P1 (at the top) to Pn (at the bottom) are regularly spaced and decreasing.



• Full plot with Pdynamic, mass flow rate, zeta, pressures and the cases acceleration g[], friction k f, diameter, length.



FLUID_PROPERTIES.noBurnGases, choked option = TRUE) Junction1(AbsorOption = noActive, nodes = 5. n bends = 1, scheme = centred) Tube(jun = 1, -- Non default value num = 1, init_option = INIT_PT, $P_o = 100000,$ $T_o = 293.15,$ x o = 0, $x_0 = 0,$ $rho_0 = 1,$ $x_nco = 0,$ Re_lam = 53 -- Non default value. $m_o = 0,$ rug = 5e-005, FLUID_FLOW_1D.Junction(burnerGasesOption = FLUID_PROPERTIES.noBurnGases, $k_f = 0$, -- Non default value. k d = 1,

 $fld_add = 0$,

burnerGasesOption

 $Gcr_ideal = FALSE$, Ao = 7e-005.

choked_option = TRUE) Junction2(

 $x_jun = 0,$ $y_jun = 0,$

zetaf = 0,

zetab = 0

m o = 0,

limiter = VanAlbada, preconditioner = unprecond. reconstructed_variables = primitive, central reconstruction = TRUE, source_upwind_smoothing = 0, xd_nco = 0, $Po_nc = 0$, UserDefSolubData = TRUE , A_coef_sol = -521, B_coef_sol = 2.3874, TI = 0.03, Cd = 2, Ca = 0.1, $tau_d = 0.3, tau_a = 2,$ Diff_Turb_Factor = 1, alfa = 3 / 16,

beta = 1 / 8,

FLUID_FLOW_1D.VolPT_TMD(burnerGasesOption FLUID_PROPERTIES.noBurnGases) VolPTup(xd nc = 0FLUID_FLOW_1D.WorkingFluid WorkingFluid(fluid = PfLiq_H2O, -- Non default value. fluid nc = NoFluid) CONNECT Junction 1.f2 TO Tube.fl CONNECT Junction1.f1 TO WorkingFluid.f1 CONNECT Junction2.f1 TO Tube.f2 CONNECT Junction2.f2 TO VolPTdown.f CONNECT WorkingFluid.f2 TO VolPTup.f CONTINUOUS pdyn1=0.5*Tube.f1.rho*Tube.f1.v**2 pdynn=0.5*Tube.f2.rho*Tube.f2.v**2 END COMPONENT