

5.2.3 Two-phase Flow (continue)

5.2.3.2 Elevation Pressure Drop, ΔP_{elev}

- Two-phase down flow. There is *no* pressure recovery (increase) in two-phase down flow due to the strong tendency for annular flow.
- Two-phase up flow. Pressure drop for two-phase up flow is based on the method of Flanigan (Oil Gas J, 1958).

$$\Delta P_{elev} = \frac{\rho_F \cdot g}{C_{52}} \sum Z_{elev} \quad (5.10)$$

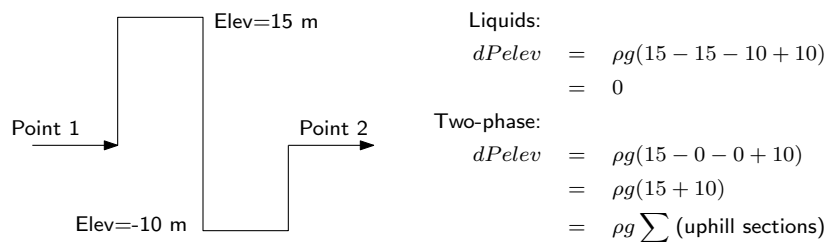
$$\begin{aligned} \rho_F &= R_F \cdot \rho_L + (1 - R_F) \rho_V \\ &= R_F \cdot \rho_L \quad (\text{assuming vapour elev changes cancel out}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_F &= \text{Flanigan liquid holdup} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + C_{55} v_{sg}} \quad (\text{curve fit}) \end{aligned}$$

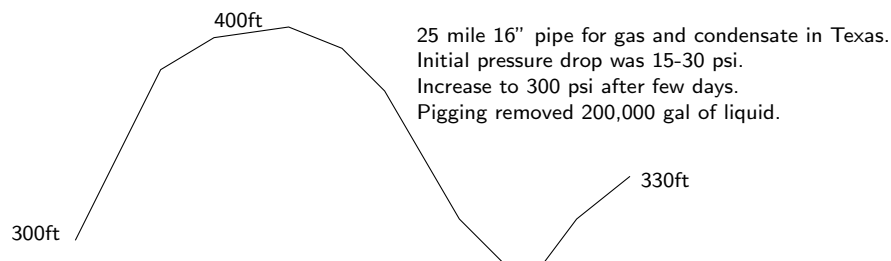
$$v_{sg} = \text{Superficial gas velocity (m/s)[ft/s]}$$

$$\sum Z_{elev} = \text{Sum of all uphill sections (m)[ft]}$$

$$C_{55} = (1.0151) \text{ or } [0.3094]$$



Example - Two-phase elevation pressure drop



Case - Flanigan pipeline (1954)