

CHAPTER II

MATHEMATICAL MODEL

2.1 Liquid Flow in Pipelines

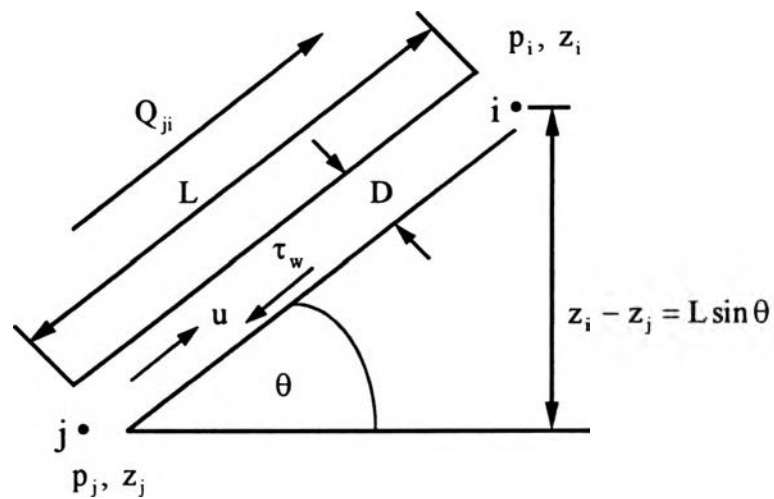


Fig. 2.1 Pressure drop in an inclined pipeline for flow from node j to node i .

A steady state momentum balance in the direction of flow from node j to node i in the pipeline gives:

$$(p_j - p_i) \frac{\pi D^2}{4} - \tau_w \pi D L - \frac{\pi D^2}{4} \rho L g \sin \theta = 0 \quad (2.1)$$

The Fanning friction factor is defined as:

$$f_F = \frac{\tau_w}{\frac{1}{2} \rho u^2} \quad (2.2)$$

Eqn. (2.1) can be rewritten as:

$$p_j - p_i = 2f_F \rho u^2 \frac{L}{D} + \rho g (z_i - z_j) \quad (2.3)$$

Since:

$$u^2 = \frac{16Q^2}{\pi^2 D^4} \quad (2.4)$$

Eqn. (2.3) gives:

$$p_j - p_i = \frac{32f_F \rho Q^2 L}{\pi^2 D^5} + \rho g(z_i - z_j) \quad (2.5)$$

Rearrangement of Eqn. (2.5) gives:

$$(p_j - p_i) + \rho g(z_j - z_i) = \frac{32f_F \rho Q^2 L}{\pi^2 D^5} \quad (2.6)$$

Subscripts are now inserted to emphasize that the flow is from node j to node i , so Eqn. (2.6) becomes:

$$(p_j - p_i) + \rho g(z_j - z_i) = \frac{32f_{F_{ji}} \rho Q_{ji}^2 L_{ji}}{\pi^2 D_{ji}^5} \quad (2.7)$$

The corresponding relation for flow from node i to node j is:

$$(p_j - p_i) + \rho g(z_j - z_i) = -\frac{32f_{F_{ji}} \rho Q_{ij}^2 L_{ji}}{\pi^2 D_{ji}^5} \quad (2.8)$$

Note that we always consider node i as the second or receiving node since the simultaneous nonlinear equations are generated from nodal material balances on every node i in the whole network.

All constant quantities are in consistent units. Equation (2.7) can be rewritten as:

$$(p_j - p_i) + \beta(z_j - z_i) = \alpha_{ji} f_{F_{ji}} Q_{ji}^2 \quad (2.9)$$

Here:

$$\alpha_{ji} = \frac{32\rho L_{ji}}{\pi^2 D_{ji}^5} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta = \rho g \quad (2.10)$$

If we define:

$$y = p_j - p_i + \beta(z_j - z_i) \quad (2.11)$$

from Eqn. (2.9), the flow rate from node j to node i is given by:

$$Q_{ji} = \sqrt{y/\alpha_{ji} f_{F_{ji}}} \quad \text{for } y > 0 \quad (2.12)$$

and from Eqn. (2.8), the flow rate from node i to node j is given by:

$$Q_{ij} = -\sqrt{-y/\alpha_{ji} f_{F_{ji}}} \quad \text{for } y < 0 \quad (2.13)$$

2.2 Liquid Flow across a Pump with Elevation change

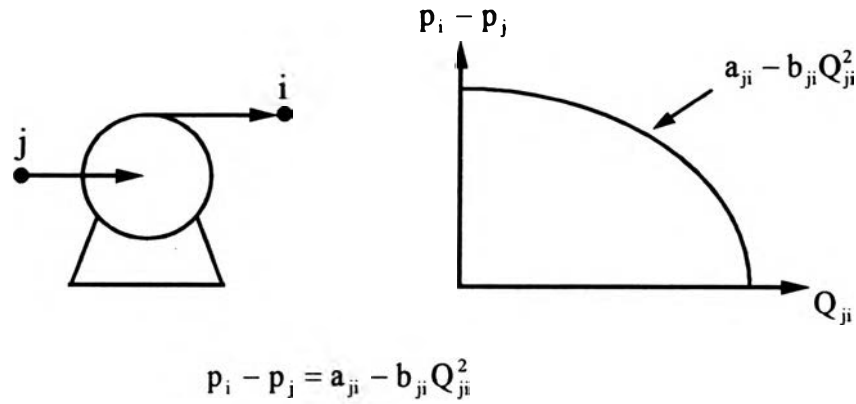


Fig. 2.2 Centrifugal pump and performance curve.

There are two separate cases to be considered for each of three possibilities, as follows:

1. $Q_{ji} > 0$, for flow across the pump from node j to node i:

$$Q_{ji} = 0 \quad \text{for } p_i + \beta z_i > p_j + \beta z_j + a_{ji} \quad (2.14)$$

$$Q_{ji} = \sqrt{a_{ji}/b_{ji}} \quad \text{for } p_j + \beta z_j > p_i + \beta z_i \quad (2.15)$$

$$Q_{ji} = \sqrt{(p_j - p_i + a_{ji} + \beta(z_j - z_i))/b_{ji}} \quad \text{otherwise} \quad (2.16)$$

Note that Q_{ij} can not be negative, even if $p_i > p_j + a_{ij}$, because the pump is equipped with a check valve.

2. $Q_{ij} < 0$, for flow across the pump from node i to node j :

$$Q_{ij} = 0 \quad \text{for } p_j + \beta z_j > p_i + \beta z_i + a_{ij} \quad (2.17)$$

$$Q_{ij} = -\sqrt{a_{ij}/b_{ij}} \quad \text{for } p_i + \beta z_i > p_j + \beta z_j \quad (2.18)$$

$$Q_{ij} = -\sqrt{(p_i - p_j + a_{ij} + \beta(z_i - z_j))/b_{ij}} \quad \text{otherwise} \quad (2.19)$$

2.3 Compressible Gas Flow in Pipelines

2.3.1 Inclined Flow ($z_i \neq z_j$):

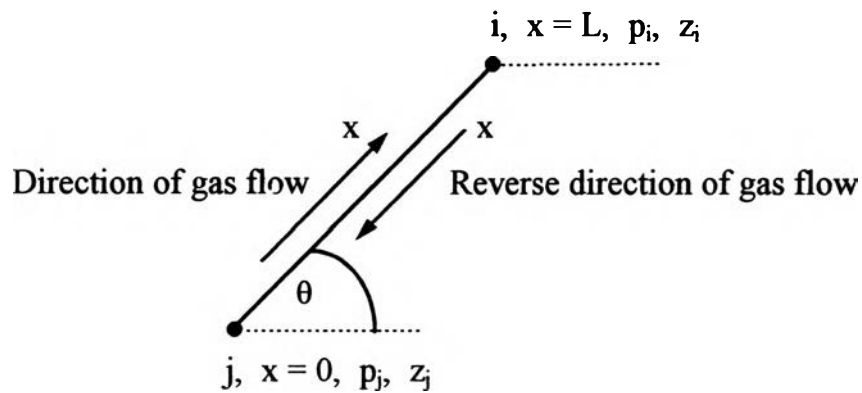


Fig. 2.3 Inclined compressible gas flow from node j to node i .

Consider the inclined steady flow of compressible gas in a long-distance pipeline of length L and diameter D , with inlet and outlet pressures and elevation change, flowing from node j to node i as shown in Fig. 2.3. If the flow is upward, both θ and $\sin\theta$ will be positive and if it is downward,

both θ and $\sin\theta$ will be negative. The pipeline is assumed to be sufficiently long in relation to its diameter so that it comes into thermal equilibrium with its surroundings; thus, the flow is isothermal.

In the absence of useful work effects, such as a compressor or turbine, an energy balance on a differential length dx results in:

$$gdz + d\left(\frac{u^2}{2}\right) + \frac{dp}{\rho} + dF = 0 \quad (2.20)$$

In which frictional dissipation of energy per unit mass flowing is:

$$dF = 2f_F u^2 \frac{dx}{D} \quad (2.21)$$

Expansion of the differential $d\left(\frac{u^2}{2}\right)$, substitution of Eqn. (2.21) for dF , and

division by u^2 , transforms Eqn. (2.20) into:

$$\frac{gdz}{u^2} + \frac{du}{u} + \frac{dp}{\rho u^2} + 2f_F \frac{dx}{D} = 0 \quad (2.22)$$

The cross-sectional area of the pipeline is:

$$A = \frac{\pi D^2}{4} \quad (2.23)$$

Because of continuity, the mass velocity $G = \rho u$ does not vary, so that:

$$dG = 0 = \rho du + u d\rho \quad (2.24)$$

Assuming an ideal gas and noting that absolute pressures must be used:

$$\frac{du}{u} = -\frac{d\rho}{\rho} = -\frac{dp}{p} \quad (2.25)$$

Also note that:

$$\frac{1}{\rho u^2} = \frac{\rho}{G^2} \quad (2.26)$$

The following relation exists between the elevation and length differential increments:

$$dz = dx \sin\theta \quad (2.27)$$

Making the appropriate substitutions and collecting terms in Eqns. (2.22) results:

$$-\frac{dp}{p} + \frac{\alpha pdp}{G^2} + \frac{2f_F}{D} dx + g dx \frac{\alpha^2 p^2}{G^2} \sin \theta = 0 \quad (2.28)$$

in which:

$$\alpha = \frac{M}{Z_{avg} RT}$$

Rearrangement gives:

$$\left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{\alpha p}{G^2} \right) dp = \left(\frac{2f_F}{D} + g \frac{\alpha^2 p^2}{G^2} \sin \theta \right) dx \quad (2.29)$$

The variables are now separated and integration is performed from the inlet node j to the outlet node i as follows:

$$\int_{p_j}^{p_i} \frac{\frac{1}{p} - \frac{\alpha p}{G^2}}{\frac{2f_F}{D} + g \frac{\alpha^2 p^2}{G^2} \sin \theta} dp = \int_0^L dx = L \quad (2.30)$$

$1/p$ in the numerator of the first integral is relatively small and can sometimes be neglected. In this case, the integration can be performed as follows. Let:

$$\beta = \frac{2f_F}{D} \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma = \frac{\alpha^2 g}{G^2} \sin \theta \quad (2.31)$$

so that:

$$\frac{-\alpha}{G^2} \int_{p_j}^{p_i} \frac{p dp}{\frac{2f_F}{D} + g \frac{\alpha^2 p^2}{G^2} \sin \theta} = \frac{-\alpha}{G^2} \int_{p_j}^{p_i} \frac{p dp}{\beta + \gamma p^2} = L \quad (2.32)$$

$$\frac{-\alpha}{G^2} \int_{p_j}^{p_i} \frac{p dp}{\beta + \gamma p^2} = \frac{1}{2\alpha g \sin \theta} \ln \left(\frac{\beta + \gamma p_j^2}{\beta + \gamma p_i^2} \right) = L \quad (2.33)$$

Therefore:

$$\frac{-\alpha}{G^2} \int_{p_j}^{p_i} \frac{p dp}{\frac{2f_F}{D} + g \frac{\alpha^2 p^2}{G^2} \sin \theta} = \frac{1}{2\alpha g \sin \theta} \ln \left(\frac{\beta + \gamma p_j^2}{\beta + \gamma p_i^2} \right) = L \quad (2.34)$$

Noting that:

$$\frac{\beta}{\gamma} = \frac{2f_F G^2}{\alpha^2 g D \sin \theta} = \delta G^2 \quad (2.35)$$

in which:

$$\delta = \frac{2f_F}{\alpha^2 g D \sin \theta} = \frac{2f_F L}{\alpha^2 g D (z_i - z_j)} \quad (2.36)$$

Eqn. (2.34) gives:

$$\left(\frac{1}{2\alpha g \sin \theta} \right) \ln \left(\frac{\delta G^2 + p_j^2}{\delta G^2 + p_i^2} \right) = L \quad (2.37)$$

$$\ln \left(\frac{\delta G^2 + p_j^2}{\delta G^2 + p_i^2} \right) = 2\alpha g L \sin \theta \quad (2.38)$$

Rearrangement of Eqn. (2.38) gives:

$$\frac{\delta G^2 + p_j^2}{\delta G^2 + p_i^2} = \exp(2\alpha g L \sin \theta) \quad (2.39)$$

$$G^2 = \frac{p_j^2 - p_i^2 \exp(2\alpha g L \sin \theta)}{\delta \exp(2\alpha g L \sin \theta) - 1} \quad (2.40)$$

$$G^2 = \frac{p_j^2 - p_i^2 \exp[2\alpha g (z_i - z_j)]}{\delta \exp[2\alpha g (z_i - z_j) - 1]} \quad (2.41)$$

Thus, the square of the mass velocity in the pipeline with subscripts inserted to indicate the gas flow from node j to node i is:

$$G_{ji}^2 = \left(\frac{M}{Z_{\text{avg}} RT} \right)^2 \left(\frac{g D_{ji} (z_i - z_j)}{2f_{F_{ji}} L_{ji}} \right) \frac{p_j^2 - \phi_{ji} p_i^2}{(\phi_{ji} - 1)} \quad (2.42)$$

in which:

$$\phi_{ji} = \exp \left(\frac{2Mg(z_i - z_j)}{Z_{\text{avg}} RT} \right)$$

The corresponding relation for flow from node i to node j would be:

$$G_{ij}^2 = \left(\frac{M}{Z_{avg} RT} \right)^2 \left(\frac{gD_{ji}(z_j - z_i)}{2f_{F_{ji}} L_{ji}} \right) \frac{p_i^2 - \phi_{ij} p_j^2}{(\phi_{ij} - 1)} \quad (2.43)$$

in which:

$$\phi_{ij} = \exp\left(\frac{2Mg(z_j - z_i)}{Z_{avg} RT} \right)$$

Since:

$$m = GA,$$

where m = mass flow rate and A = cross sectional area of pipeline, the mass flow rate from node j to node i is:

$$m_{ji} = A \left(\frac{M}{Z_{avg} RT} \right) \sqrt{\left(\frac{gD_{ji}(z_i - z_j)}{2f_{F_{ji}} L_{ji}} \right) \frac{p_j^2 - \phi_{ji} p_i^2}{(\phi_{ji} - 1)}} \quad (2.44)$$

in which:

$$\phi_{ji} = \exp\left(\frac{2Mg(z_i - z_j)}{Z_{avg} RT} \right)$$

Likewise, the mass flow rate from node i to node j is:

$$m_{ij} = -A_{ij} \left(\frac{M}{Z_{avg} RT} \right) \sqrt{\left(\frac{gD_{ji}(z_j - z_i)}{2f_{F_{ji}} L_{ji}} \right) \frac{p_i^2 - \phi_{ij} p_j^2}{(\phi_{ij} - 1)}} \quad (2.45)$$

in which:

$$\phi_{ij} = \exp\left(\frac{2Mg(z_j - z_i)}{Z_{avg} RT} \right)$$

Note that:

$$\phi_{ij} = \frac{1}{\phi_{ji}} \quad (2.46)$$

As usual, all constant quantities are in consistent units. Therefore, the mass flow rate from node j to node i is:

$$m_{ji} = \lambda_{ji} \sqrt{\frac{p_j^2 - \phi_{ji} p_i^2}{\delta_{ji} (\phi_{ji} - 1)}} \quad (2.47)$$

and the mass flow rate from node i to node j is:

$$m_{ij} = -\lambda_{ji} \sqrt{\frac{p_j^2 - \phi_{ji} p_i^2}{\delta_{ji} (\phi_{ji} - 1)}} \quad (2.48)$$

Here:

$$\lambda_{ji} = \left(\frac{M}{Z_{\text{avg}} RT} \right) \left(\frac{\pi D_{ji}^2}{4} \right) \quad (2.49)$$

$$\delta_{ji} = \left(\frac{2f_{F_{ji}} L_{ji}}{gD_{ji} (z_i - z_j)} \right) \quad (2.50)$$

$$\phi_{ji} = \exp \left(\frac{2Mg(z_i - z_j)}{Z_{\text{avg}} RT} \right) \quad (2.51)$$

If we define:

$$w = p_j^2 - \phi_{ji} p_i^2 \quad (2.52)$$

the flow rate from node j to node i is given by:

$$m_{ji} = \lambda_{ji} \sqrt{\frac{w}{\delta_{ji} (\phi_{ji} - 1)}} \quad \text{for } w > 0 \quad (2.53)$$

The flow rate from node j to node i is given by:

$$m_{ji} = -\lambda_{ji} \sqrt{\frac{-w}{\delta_{ji} (\phi_{ji} - 1)}} \quad \text{for } w < 0 \quad (2.54)$$

The mass flow rate from node j to node i can be converted to a volumetric flow rate at standard conditions:

$$Q_{\text{sc-}ji} = \frac{Z_{\text{sc}} RT_{\text{sc}}}{p_{\text{sc}} M} \lambda_{ji} \sqrt{\frac{w}{\delta_{ji} (\phi_{ji} - 1)}} \quad \text{for } w > 0 \quad (2.55)$$

In the same manner, the volumetric flow rate from node i to node j at standard conditions is:

$$Q_{sc-ji} = -\frac{Z_{sc}RT_{sc}}{p_{sc}M} \lambda_{ji} \sqrt{\frac{-w}{\delta_{ji}(\phi_{ji}-1)}} \quad \text{for } w < 0 \quad (2.56)$$

2.3.2 Horizontal Flow ($z_i = z_j$):

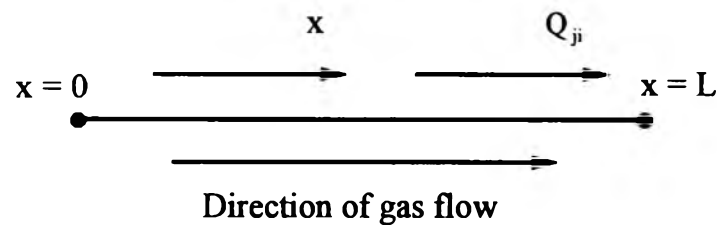


Fig. 2.4 Horizontal compressible gas flow from node j to node i.

For Eqn. (2.41), if the elevation change becomes zero or $\theta = 0$, there is no definite value, because there is no effect for hydrostatic pressure in the horizontal flow. Therefore, it is necessary to consider separately horizontal steady flow from node j to node i as shown in Fig. 2.4. Thus, for $\theta = 0$, Eqn. (2.29) gives:

$$\left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{\alpha p}{G^2} \right) dp = \frac{2f_F}{D} dx \quad (2.57)$$

in which:

$$\alpha = \frac{M}{Z_{avg}RT}$$

The variables are now separated and integration is performed from the inlet node j to the outlet node i as follows:

$$\int_{p_j}^{p_i} \left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{\alpha p}{G^2} \right) dp = \int_0^L \frac{2f_F}{D} dx = \frac{2f_FL}{D} \quad (2.58)$$

$1/p$ in the first term of integration is often relatively small and can be neglected, in which case integration of Eqn. (2.58) results in:

$$\frac{\alpha}{2G^2}(p_j^2 - p_i^2) = \frac{2f_F L}{D} \quad (2.59)$$

$$G^2 = \frac{\alpha D}{4f_F L}(p_j^2 - p_i^2) \quad (2.60)$$

$$G^2 = \frac{M}{Z_{avg} RT} \left(\frac{D}{4f_F L} \right) (p_j^2 - p_i^2) \quad (2.61)$$

Thus, the square of the mass velocity in the pipeline with subscripts inserted to indicate the gas flow from node j to node i is:

$$G_{ji}^2 = \frac{M}{Z_{avg} RT} \left(\frac{D_{ji}}{4f_{F_{ji}} L_{ji}} \right) (p_j^2 - p_i^2) \quad (2.62)$$

The corresponding relation for flow from node i to node j would be:

$$G_{ij}^2 = \frac{M}{Z_{avg} RT} \left(\frac{D_{ji}}{4f_{F_{ji}} L_{ji}} \right) (p_i^2 - p_j^2) \quad (2.63)$$

In the same manner, since $m = GA$, the gas flow from node j to node i is:

$$m_{ji} = \left(\frac{\pi D_{ji}^2}{4} \right) \sqrt{\frac{M}{Z_{avg} RT} \left(\frac{D_{ji}}{4f_{F_{ji}} L_{ji}} \right) (p_j^2 - p_i^2)} \quad (2.64)$$

The gas flow from node i to node j is:

$$m_{ij} = - \left(\frac{\pi D_{ji}^2}{4} \right) \sqrt{- \frac{M}{Z_{avg} RT} \left(\frac{D_{ji}}{4f_{F_{ji}} L_{ji}} \right) (p_j^2 - p_i^2)} \quad (2.65)$$

As usual, all constant quantities are in consistent units. The mass flow rate from node j to node i is:

$$m_{ji} = A_{ji} \sqrt{\xi_{ji} (p_j^2 - p_i^2)} \quad \text{for } p_j > p_i \quad (2.66)$$

and the mass flow rate from node i to node j is:

$$m_{ij} = -A_{ji} \sqrt{-\xi_{ji} (p_j^2 - p_i^2)} \quad \text{for } p_j < p_i \quad (2.67)$$

Here:

$$A_{ji} = \frac{\pi D_{ji}^2}{4} \quad (2.68)$$

$$\xi_{ji} = \frac{M}{Z_{avg} RT} \left(\frac{D_{ji}}{4f_{F_{ji}} L_{ji}} \right) \quad (2.69)$$

The mass flow rate from node j to node i can be converted to a volumetric flow rate at standard conditions:

$$Q_{sc-ji} = \frac{Z_{sc} RT_{sc}}{p_{sc} M} A_{ji} \sqrt{\xi_{ji} (p_j^2 - p_i^2)} \quad \text{for } p_j > p_i \quad (2.70)$$

and, the volumetric flow rate from node i to node j at standard conditions is:

$$Q_{sc-ij} = -\frac{Z_{sc} RT_{sc}}{p_{sc} M} A_{ji} \sqrt{-\xi_{ji} (p_j^2 - p_i^2)} \quad \text{for } p_j < p_i \quad (2.71)$$

2.4 Compressible Gas Flow across a Compressor with Elevation change

According to the energy equation, the theoretical work required to compress a unit mass of gas from node j to node i is given by:

$$dw_c = vdp + d\left(\frac{u^2}{2}\right) + gdz + dF \quad (2.72)$$

Neglecting the friction losses and the change in kinetic energy, performing the integration from the inlet node j to the outlet node i gives:

$$w_c = \int_{p_j}^{p_i} vdp + g(z_i - z_j) \quad (2.73)$$

For isentropic compression:

$$pv^k = c = \text{constant} \quad \text{and} \quad k = \frac{c_p}{c_v} \quad (2.74)$$

Therefore:

$$w_c = c^{1/k} \int_{p_j}^{p_i} p^{-1/k} dp + g(z_i - z_j) \quad (2.75)$$

where c is a constant. Upon integration, Eqn. (2.75) becomes:

$$w_c = \frac{k}{k-1} c^{1/k} [p_i^{(k-1)/k} - p_j^{(k-1)/k}] + g(z_i - z_j) \quad (2.76)$$

$$w_c = \frac{k}{k-1} p_j \left(\frac{c}{p_j} \right)^{1/k} \left[\left(\frac{p_i}{p_j} \right)^{(k-1)/k} - 1 \right] + g(z_i - z_j) \quad (2.77)$$

$$w_c = \frac{k}{k-1} p_j v_j \left[\left(\frac{p_i}{p_j} \right)^{(k-1)/k} - 1 \right] + g(z_i - z_j) \quad (2.78)$$

Since:

$$p_j v_j = \frac{Z_{\text{avg}} RT_j}{M} \quad (2.79)$$

Eqn. (2.78) becomes:

$$w_c = \frac{k}{k-1} \frac{Z_{\text{avg}} RT_j}{M} \left[\left(\frac{p_i}{p_j} \right)^{(k-1)/k} - 1 \right] + g(z_i - z_j) \quad (2.80)$$

Conversion of the theoretical work required per unit mass to compression power gives:

$$W_c = m_{ji} \left\{ \frac{k}{k-1} \frac{Z_{\text{avg}} RT_j}{M} \left[\left(\frac{p_i}{p_j} \right)^{(k-1)/k} - 1 \right] + g(z_i - z_j) \right\} \quad (2.81)$$

Thus, the compression power with subscripts inserted to emphasize that the power is required to compress gas from node j to node i is:

$$W_{c-ji} = m_{ji} \left\{ \frac{k}{k-1} \frac{Z_{\text{avg}} RT_j}{M} \left[\left(\frac{p_i}{p_j} \right)^{(k-1)/k} - 1 \right] + g(z_i - z_j) \right\} \quad (2.82)$$

The mass flow rate across the compressor from node j to node i is given by:

$$m_{ji} = \frac{W_{c-ji}}{\left\{ \frac{k}{k-1} \frac{Z_{avg} RT_j}{M} \left[\left(\frac{p_i}{p_j} \right)^{(k-1)/k} - 1 \right] + g(z_i - z_j) \right\}} \quad (2.83)$$

The corresponding relation for the mass flow rate across the compressor from node i to node j would be:

$$m_{ji} = \frac{-W_{c-ij}}{\left\{ \frac{k}{k-1} \frac{Z_{avg} RT_i}{M} \left[\left(\frac{p_j}{p_i} \right)^{(k-1)/k} - 1 \right] + g(z_j - z_i) \right\}} \quad (2.84)$$

The mass flow rate across the compressor can be converted to a volumetric flow rate at standard conditions as follows:

$$m = \frac{p_{sc} M}{Z_{sc} RT_{sc}} Q_{sc} \quad (2.85)$$

Thus, the volumetric flow rate across the compressor at standard conditions for flow from node j to node i is:

$$Q_{sc-ji} = \frac{Z_{sc} RT_{sc}}{p_{sc} M} \frac{W_{c-ji}}{\left\{ \frac{k}{k-1} \frac{Z_{avg} RT_j}{M} \left[\left(\frac{p_i}{p_j} \right)^{(k-1)/k} - 1 \right] + g(z_i - z_j) \right\}} \quad (2.86)$$

and the volumetric flow rate at standard conditions across the compressor from node i to node j is:

$$Q_{sc-ij} = \frac{Z_{sc} RT_{sc}}{p_{sc} M} \frac{-W_{c-ij}}{\left\{ \frac{k}{k-1} \frac{Z_{avg} RT_i}{M} \left[\left(\frac{p_j}{p_i} \right)^{(k-1)/k} - 1 \right] + g(z_j - z_i) \right\}} \quad (2.87)$$

Here:

W_{e-ij} is the compression power for flow from node i to node j

W_{c-ji} is the compression power for flow from node j to node i