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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) remove details about hydrostatic test but state that to be performed according to valve design code;
- b) include mandatory test for valve packing;
- c) put in evidence limits of reduced differential pressure seat leakage test procedure;
- d) introduce details about low temperature seat leakage test;
- e) extend dimensional range for leakage class VI to less than 25 mm and over 400 mm seat diameter;

f) include stroking time tests.

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Part 4: Inspection and routine testing

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60534 specifies the requirements for the inspection and routine testing of control valves manufactured in conformity with the other parts of IEC 60534.

This document is applicable to valves with pressure ratings not exceeding Class 2500. The requirements for actuators apply only to pneumatic actuators.

This document does not apply to the types of control valves where radioactive service, fire safety testing, or other hazardous service conditions are encountered. If a standard for hazardous service conflicts with the requirements of this document, the standard for hazardous service should take precedence.

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3.1

bench range

range of pressures to the actuator within which the nominal travel is performed in both directions, with no pressure in the valve, but including friction forces

Note 1 to entry: The actuator operating range, i.e. when the valve is installed under actual process conditions, will be different from the bench range.

3.2

dead band

finite range of values within which reversal of the input variable does not produce any noticeable change in the output variable (see Figure 1)