

Summary V2

Preview

- Ferrari to support IIT to design and simulate a ventilator for sub-intensive patient use in emergency: low cost is one of main goals.
- Simulink model have been created from scratch which includes:
 1. Three mathematical model of human lungs (stiff, avgm soft) → *Respiratory Mechanics Derived From Signals In The Ventilator Circuit*
 2. Air/Oxygen mixing device (to reach O2 target %) and pressure regulator to allow inlet valve to operate in controlled pressure
 3. Main flow line with controlled valves, safety check valves, quick disconnect, pipes (capacitive and resistive).
- Main outcome from the model is to validate hardware layout in terms of component selection and operating pressure level across the entire system.

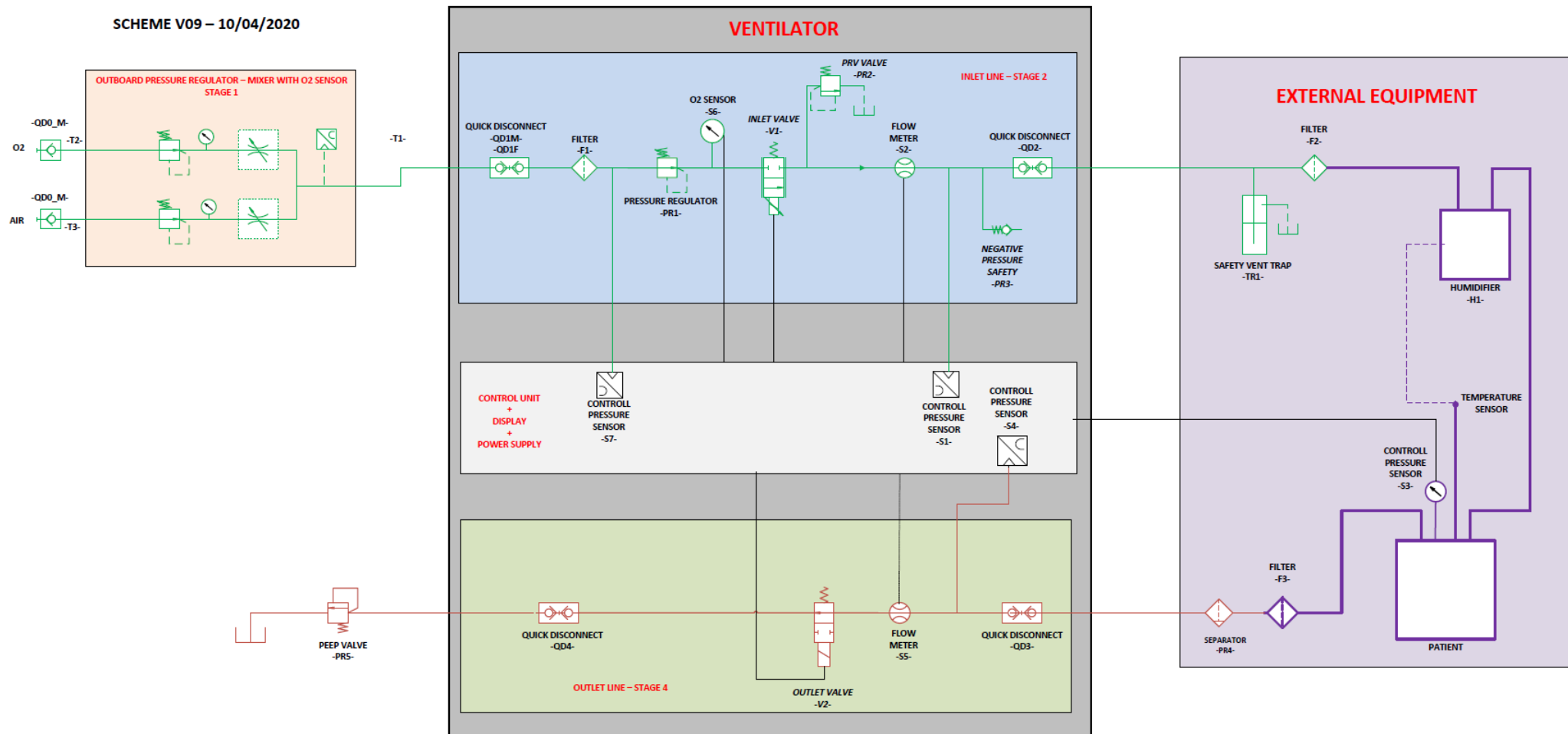
Main results

- Inlet valve
 - Camozzi CP valve operating at 750mbar of inlet pressure will match all usage requirement.
 - Camozzi AP valve are currently out of target having too low maximum flowrate at its maximum permeability setting (low preload spring) and its maximum pressure (1 bar)
- Outlet valve CFB-D24M-R1 is the target valve to evacuate air flow from lungs without affecting any exhalation dynamics. For the proto is ok to run with CFB-D22G-W1
- Permeability scan to asses robustness of the system does not highlight any criticalities.
- Pressure changes using helmet instead of mask (+8L) lead to a **100cc of tidal volume lost. Increasing V1 command current by 4-5%** is possible to recover entirely lungs tidal volume matching mask-like pressure dynamics.
- Inlet mixing volume is not needed if the mixer is inherently pressure compensated (as most of the ones on the markets).
- To reduce the CO2 rebreathing, the duty of both valve has to be increased significantly. Will be tested strategy to wash the volume without affecting valve max duty.
- FMEA results
 - If water bottle vent valve is fitted no issue in evacuating exceeding air flowrate. Maximun calculated mouth pressure will be **safely equal to the vent cranking pressure.**
 - Without water vent valve, mechanical check valve needs to be permeable to not increase consistently patient's mouth pressure. Considering 100 mbar of max mouth pressure allowed, check valve permeability target will be **of 110 lpm at 160mbar.**

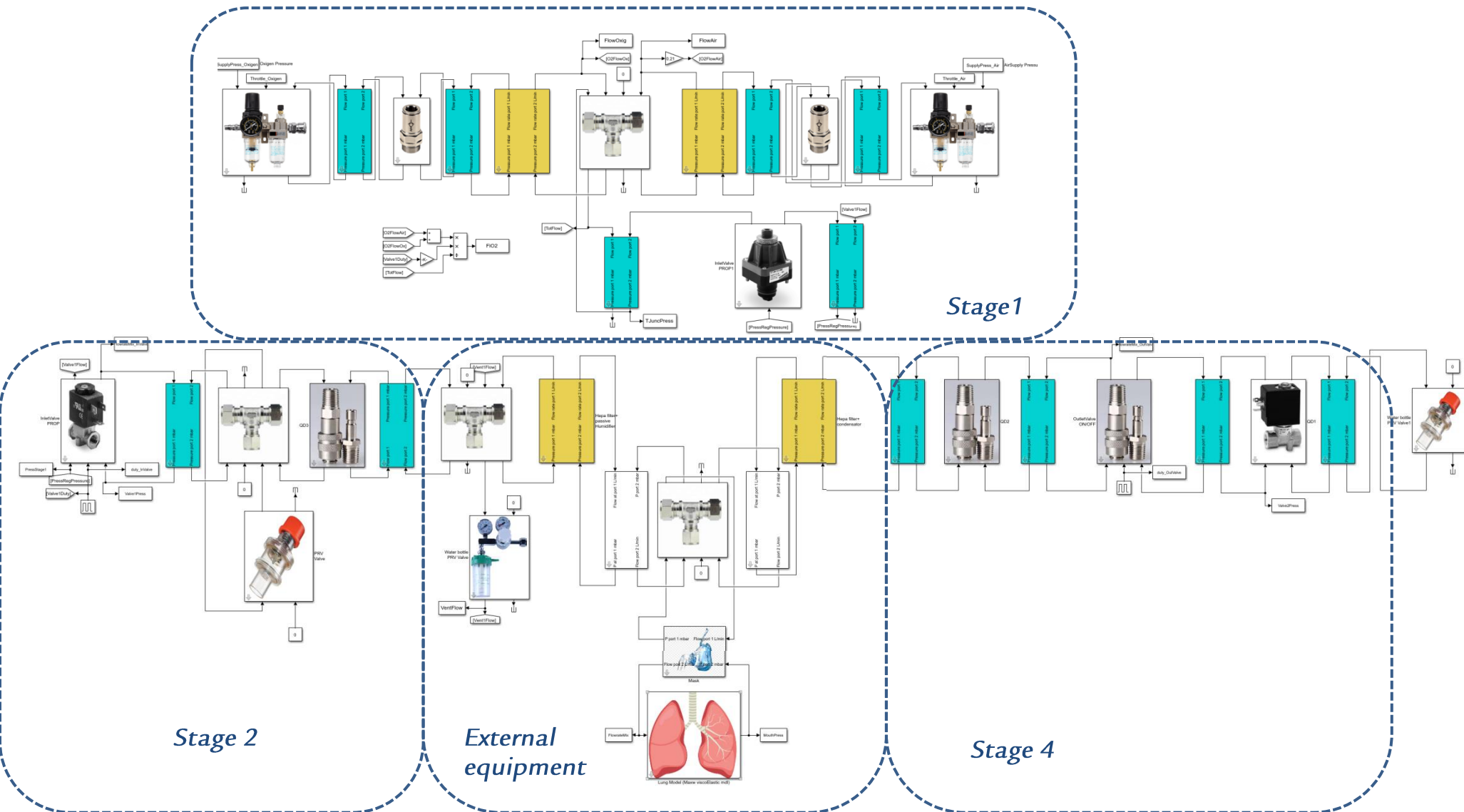
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Schematic layout of the BSF system



Simulink model scheme



Lung compliance characteristics

On «Respiratory mechanics derived from signals in the ventilator circuit» are reported different human lung with three different compliance (tidal volume is identical for all three).

We replicated the three flowrate curves into the model to compare derived pressure curves with the lung model originally used (**blu line**) and comes out that **it's pretty similar to an high compliance lung**.

Assuming that the spread in the picture is real (waiting for medical confirmation) simulation need to consider in any condition **the worst possible characteristic** to define a reasonable worst case.

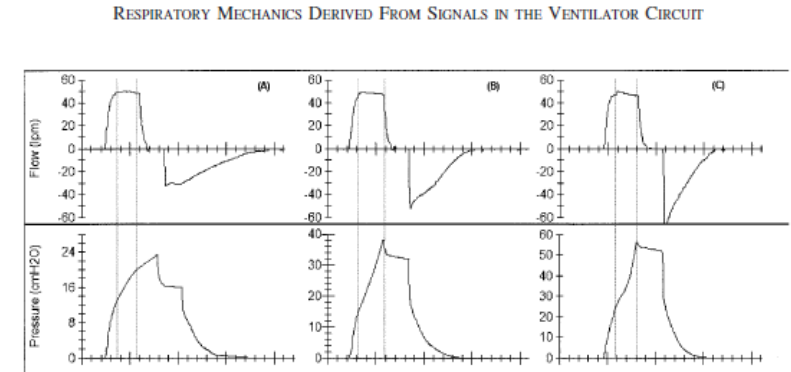
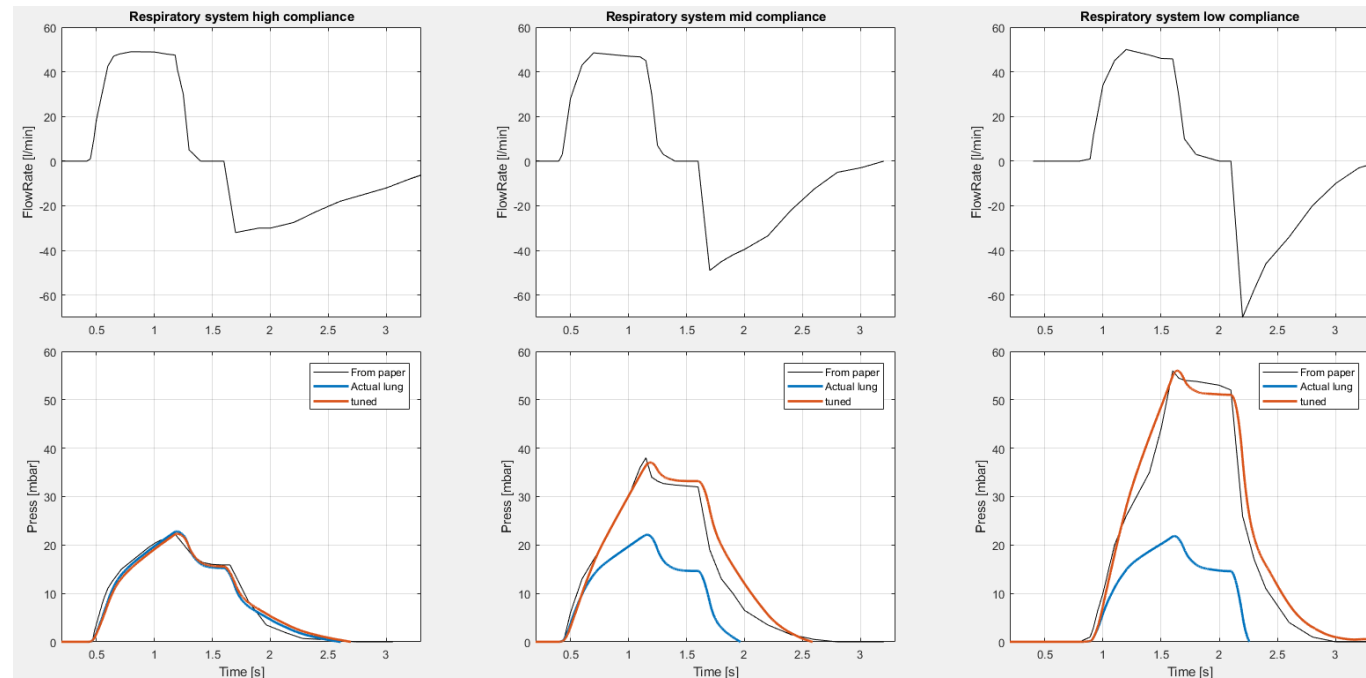


Fig. 2. Time-course of static airway pressure, flow, and volume during volume-controlled ventilation. From panel A to panel C, respiratory system compliance decreases. The constant-flow phase is defined by the dotted lines, which show the elastic load on the pressure curve. As peak inspiratory pressure increases, the morphology of the curve changes, turning from concave to linear to convex.

High compliance lungs (line the old modeled) **will be worse for V1 valve** dimensioning because it clearly request more flowrates for a given mouth pressure, while a **low compliance one results worse for V2 valve** because it releases higher flow peak when the valve starts opening.

Lung parameter have been manually tuned to match all three pressure curves to allow always to simulate the desired lung characteristic each case.



PR1 & V1: AP valve permeability target

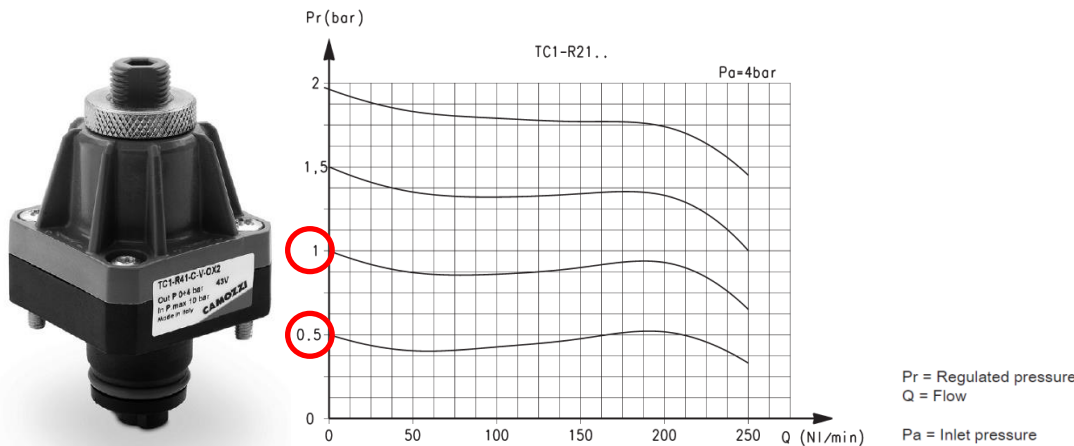
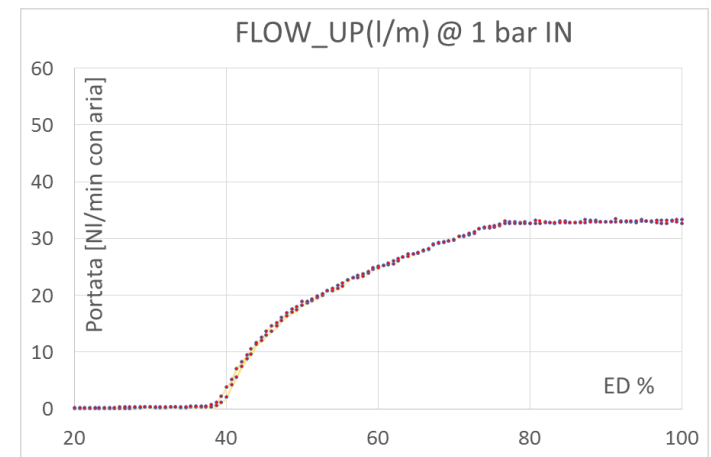
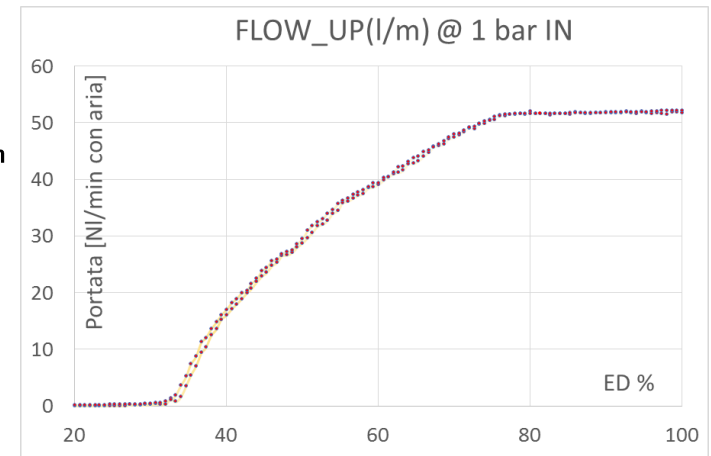
Target is to reduce as much as possible the operating pressure of PR1 due to safety reson. Camozzi's max AP valve (*taglia 22 ugello 2.4mm*) cannot guaranteed target flowrate even at 1.5 bar of inlet pressure. **Reducing valve internal spring preload** is possible to increase valve permeability reaching the value in the plots below. Desired valve must satisfy target air flow rate with high compliance lung characteristic (*25mbar mouth pressure*) at 50% of it's FS current to have margin to include components scatter and to reach strong dynamics in pressure control.

PR1 @1000 mbar

- minimum preload spring leads to results on top right figure. Usual working point will be at 50% of FS current but flowrate strongly saturate from 78% onward due to the small orificiet at the exit of the valve. **This valve will be tight to guarantee sufficient margin** for air deliver in high pressure dynamics and CO2 reduction using helmet s.

PR1 @500 mbar

- Curve from Camozzi (bottom right figure) shows too low flowrate in all operating condition.



PR1 & V1: CP valve

CP valve, due to the presence of an ugello of 4.4 mm, is inherently more permeabile. CP flushing test have been performed in Camozzi on 10/04/2020 and the results have been used to feed the model.

750 mbar of PR1 pressure will be ideal case due to the reduced maximum flow delivered at 100% FS current and normal condition at 46% of FS current. 1 bar will provide too high flowrate in fully open condition while 500 mbar of pressure start to become tight for max delivered flowrate.

PR1 @1000 mbar

- minimum %FS current to satisfy target pressure is **45%**. **Too high flow rate** level if running @100%FS current (>100 lpm), such high flow could be challenging to be evacuated in check valves

PR1 @750 mbar

- minimum %FS current to satisfy target pressure will be pretty similar to 1bar pressure, **46%**, **due to the similarity of the two curves at the beginning** Flow rate @100%FS current become less dangerous (around 88lpm) running this pressure level.

PR1 @500 mbar

- minimum %FS current to satisfy target pressure is **51%**. Flow rate @100%FS will be slightly higher tha 50lpm which could beacome limiting factor to follow desired dynamics on pressure target.



Diametro nominale 4.4 mm

Q = portata (Nl/min)

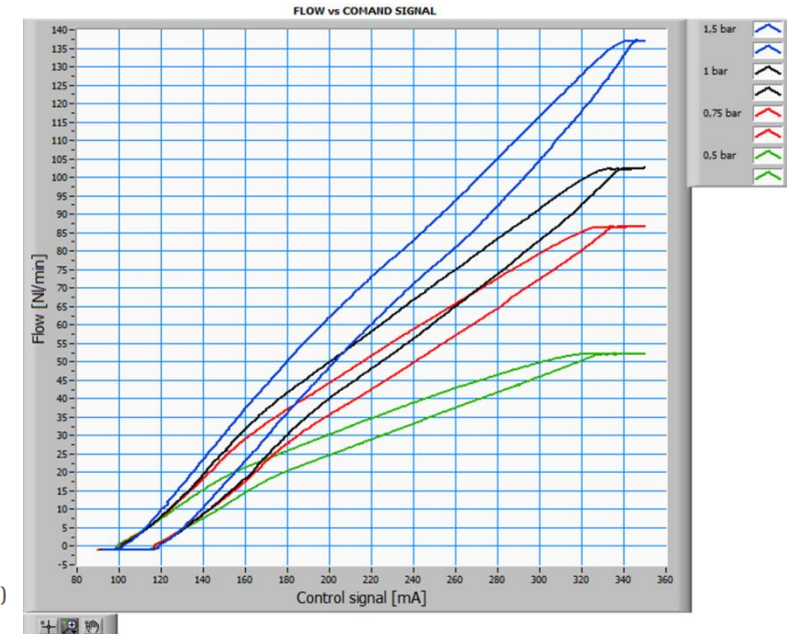
I = corrente (A)

P1 = pressione in carico (bar)

P2 = 0 [pressione a flusso libero] (bar)

FS = fondo scala

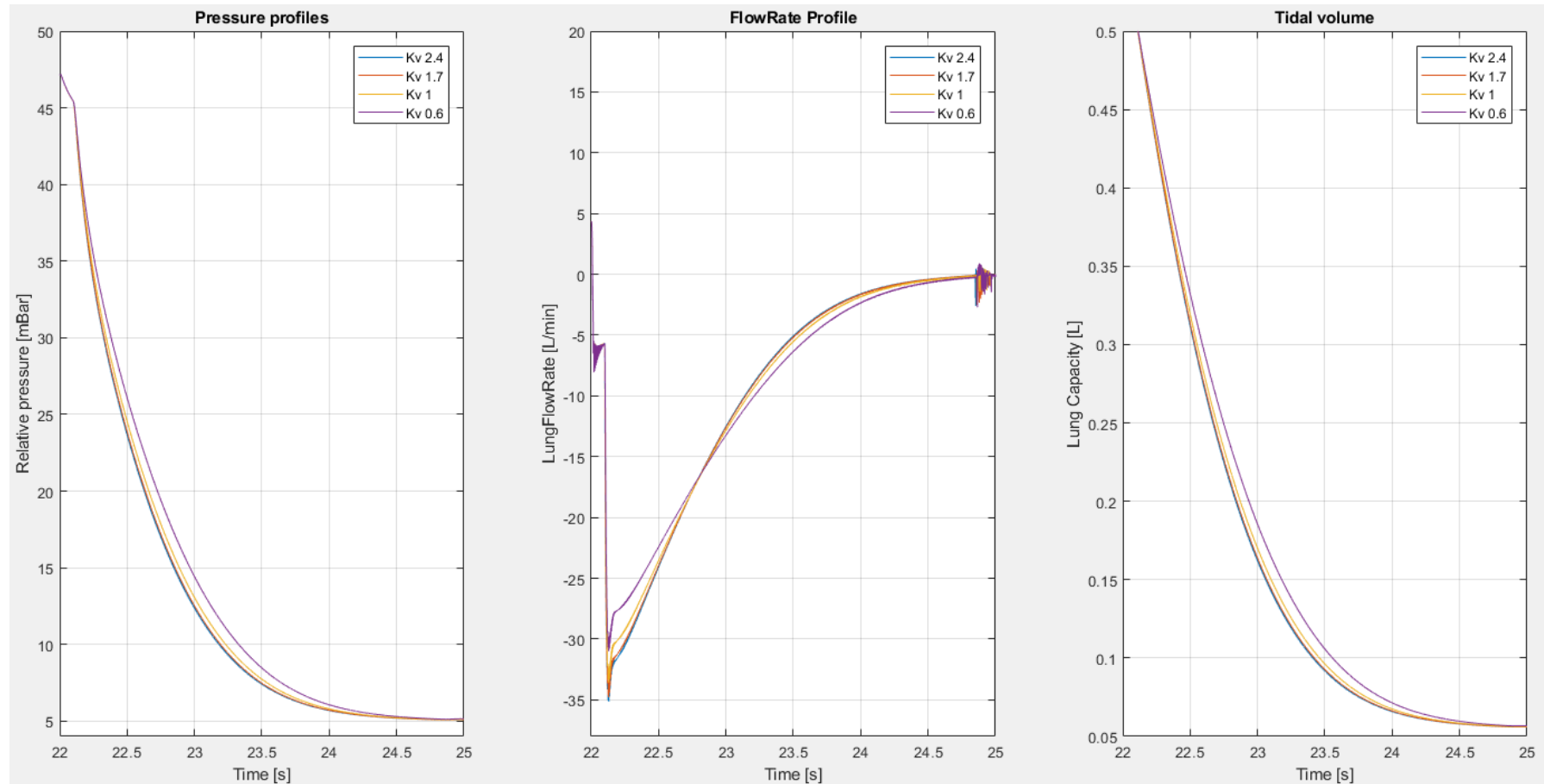
A feedback from a doctor will clarify max valve requirement.



V2 valve permeability threshold

Here below you can find a scan of outlet valve permeability with the following values of Kv: 0.6, 1, 1.7 and 2.4 considering the **stiffest lung** characteristic.

The system is saturated for Kv around 1.7 and the 0.6 (cod. CFB-D22G-W1) seems not critical because will reduce by 5lpm the peak flow. Since a Kv =2.4 is available (cod. CFB-D24M-R1) we would choose that one. That said, the CFB-D22G-W1 could be good enough for testing.

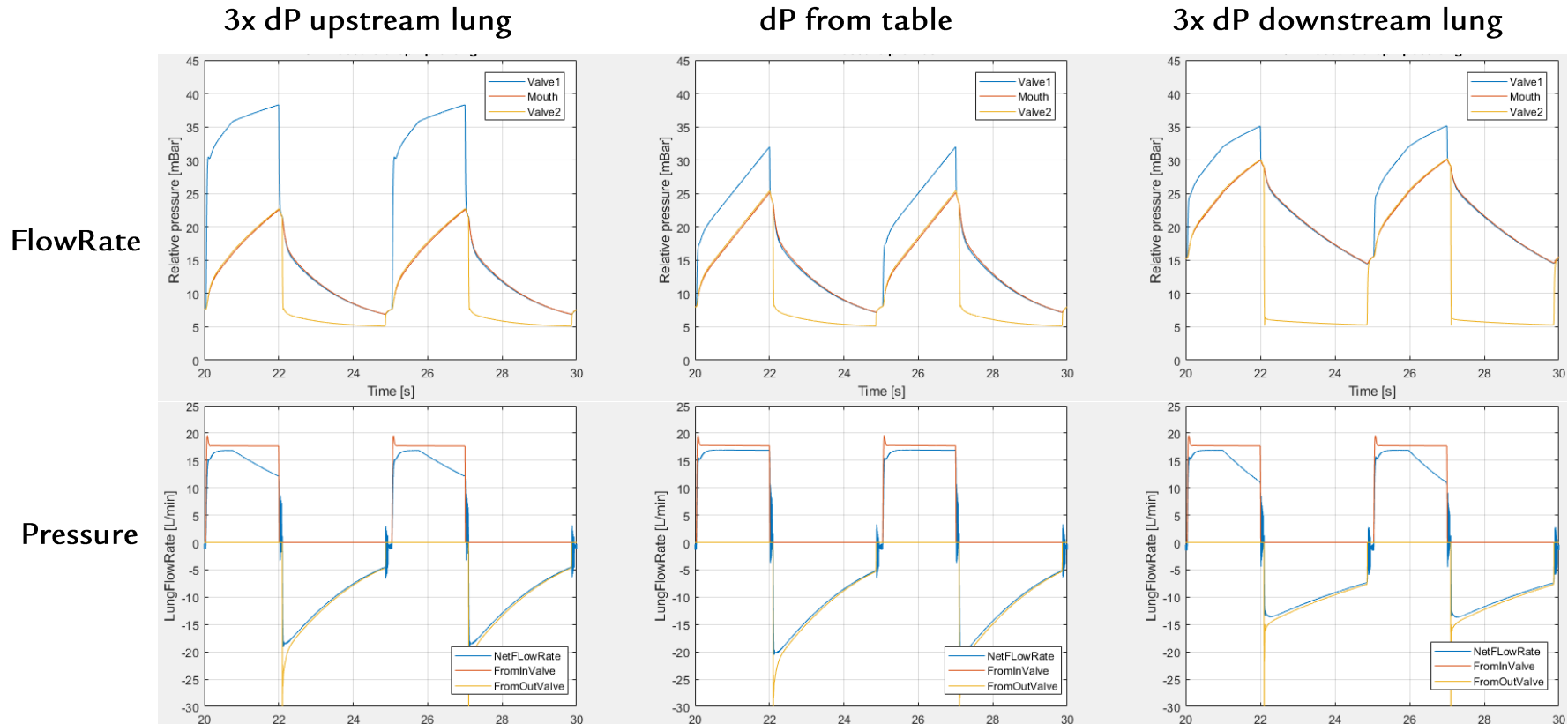


Flow line pressure drop and permeability scan

Table shows system main source of pressure drop: main one comes from filters and flowmeter. For the device which are not in the line (like vent and check valve) the value reported are a target of permeability to satisfy requirements (see FMEA section). In line permeability scan have been performed to asses the robustness of the results on this parameters.

- Increasing 3x dP upstream of the lung does not affect much mouth pressure (as expected), control is expected to compensate this effect completely. Water must be added to prevent air flow on vent valve.
- Increasing 3x dP downstream of lung will increase mouth pressure curves. The effect will be the same of fit less permeable peep valve.

Name	INLine / Deriv	Note	Flow [Lpm]	dP [mbar]
Pipe	inline	22mm Din, 1.5mt long, corrugated	20	0.04
QD	inline	Conical connection	20	0.1
Flowmeter	inline	Honeywell datasheet	20	2.44
Filter	inline	"used" HEPA	20	5
Humidifier	inline		20	0.2
PEEP	inline	averaged from customers	20	1.76
Check valve	deriv	cranking press 80mbar	106	80
Vent valve	deriv	30-50 mbar of water press	10	5

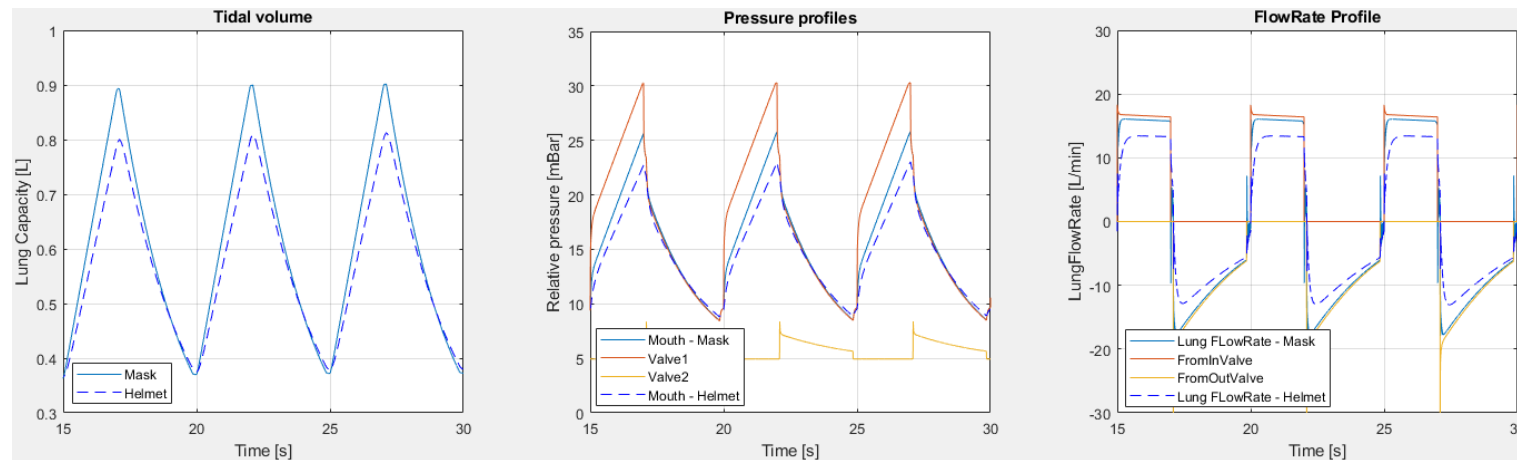


Effect on pressure dynamics helmet VS mask

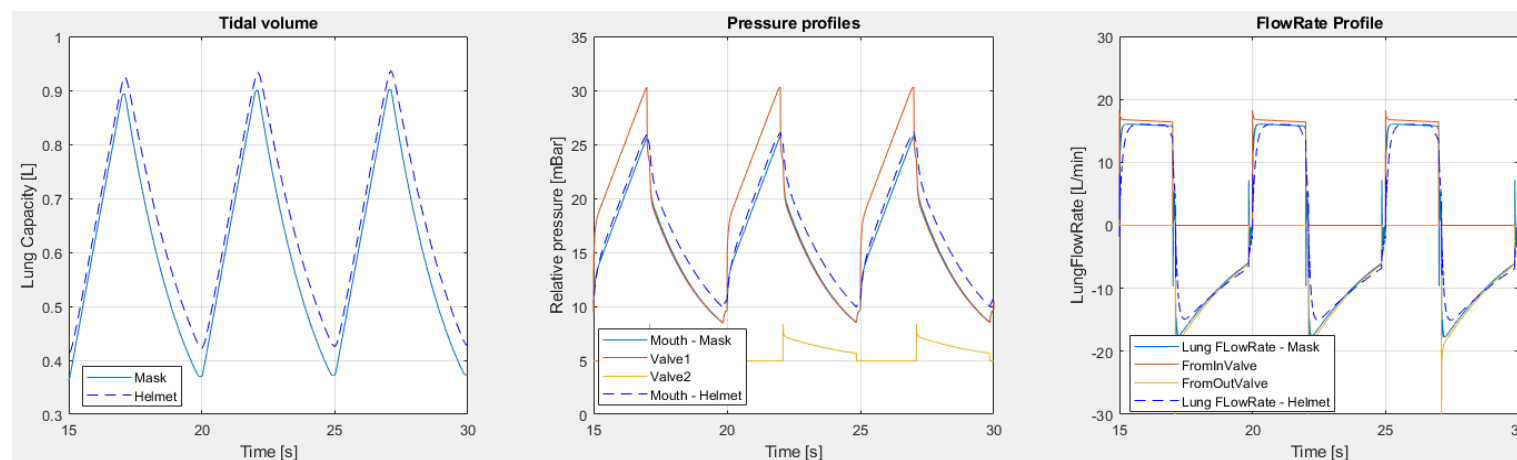
A volume of 0.5L for mask and 8L for helmet have been considered for this calculation; please note that no air leakage have been modeled in helmet case (although probably there is). Dotted line in following graph represent case with helmet.

With almost +8L volume before patient muth pressure dynamics changes a significantly.

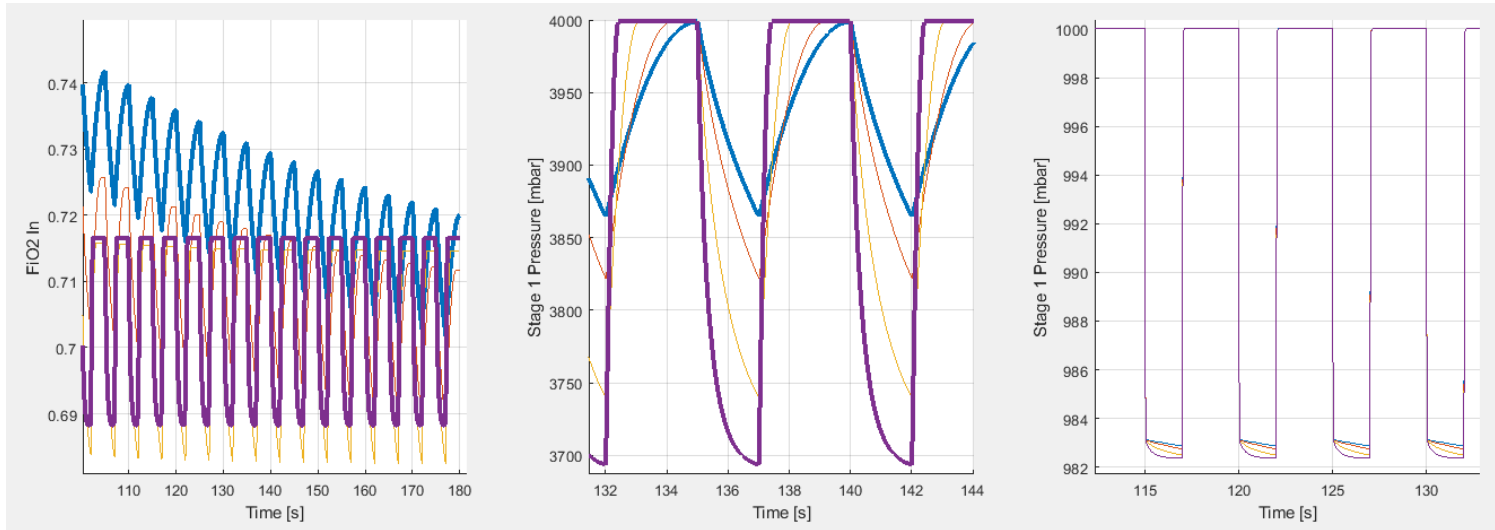
100cc of tidal volume will be lost due to the reduction of either 3 mbar mouth pressure and 4l/min of lungs inflation flowrate.



Increasing V1 command current by 4-5% is possible to recover entirely lungs tidal volume matching mask-like pressure dynamics. Expiration phase is driven by lungs dynamics and cannot be replicated using helmet.



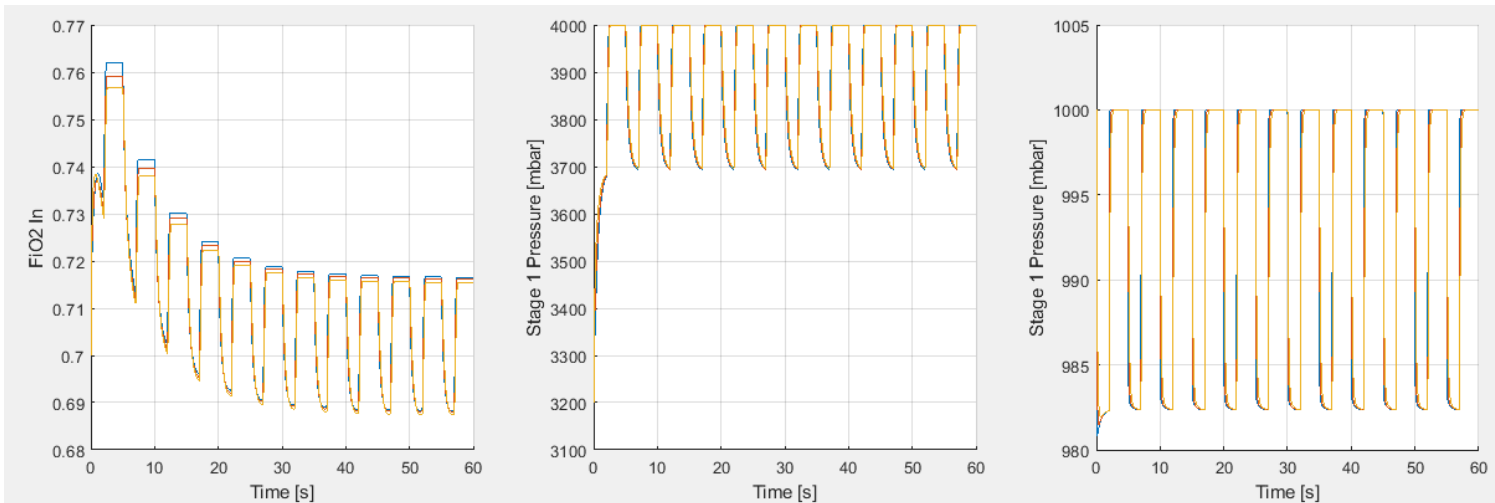
System volumes stage1 and 2 (4 bar O2 supply, 4 bar Air supply)



The curves are plotted for different gas volumes of stage 1 (upper graphs) and 2 (lower graph):

0.1 L
1 L
3 L
5L

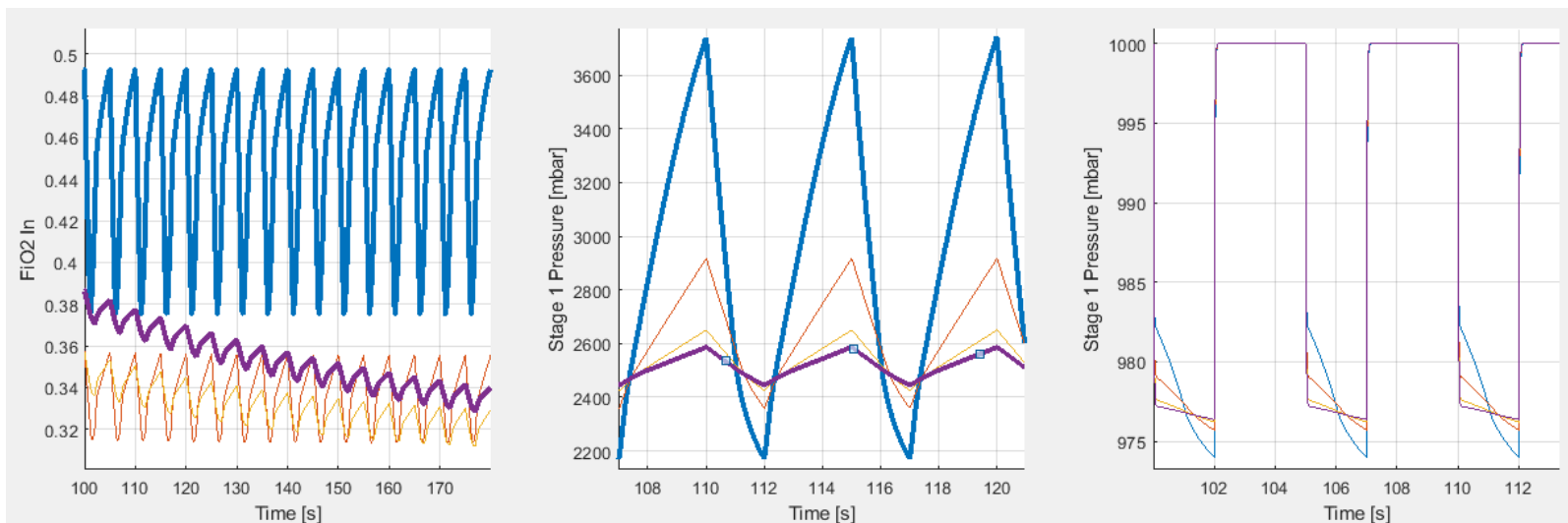
Influence of stage 1 volume on FiO2, stage 1 P and stage 2 P.



The effect of the stage 2 volume is negligible as expected from the ideal behaviour of the pressure regulator. Increasing the stage 1 volume stabilize pressure, but even in the worst case the dynamics are quite slow and should be handled by the pressure regulator. The FiO2 is stable (within a 3% band)

Influence of stage 2 volume on FiO2, stage 1 P and stage 2 P.

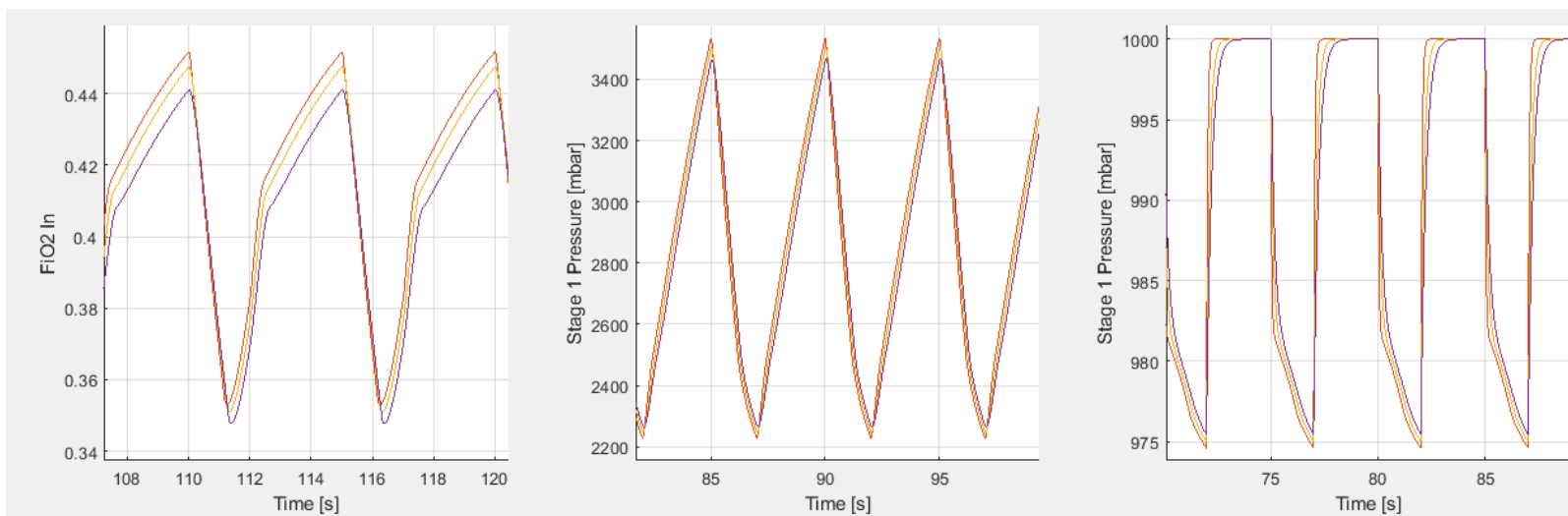
System volumes stage1 and 2 (2.5 bar O2 supply, 4 bar Air supply)



The curves are plotted for different gas volumes of stage 1 (upper graphs) and 2 (lower graph):

0.1 L
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5L

Influence of stage 1 volume on FiO2, stage 1 P and stage 2 P.



The effect of the stage 2 volume is negligible, while the stage 1 volume has quite a big effect and at least 3L are needed to stabilize pressures and FiO2.

Influence of stage 2 volume on FiO2, stage 1 P and stage 2 P.

Commercial mixer scheme

Sechrist Air / Oxygen Gas Mixers - Model 3600 & Model 3601

Provides for precise mixing of air and oxygen for many clinical applications. Models 3600 and 3601 are high flow mixers designed for general applications. 3601 utilizes a wall mount configuration and 3600 provides for pole mounting.

- Accuracy*: $\pm 3\%$ • Flow at 60% FIO₂ and 50 psig • Supply Pressure: 100 LPM
- Bleed Flow: 8 - 10 LPM @ 16 LPM Flow Rate • FIO₂ Range: 0.21 \pm 0.01 to 1.0-0.1
- Gas Supply Range: 50 psig \pm 20 psig



Model 3600

Standard Accessories:
Water Trap Assembly

Optional Accessories:
14ft air hose/14ft oxygen hose,
both with DISS fittings

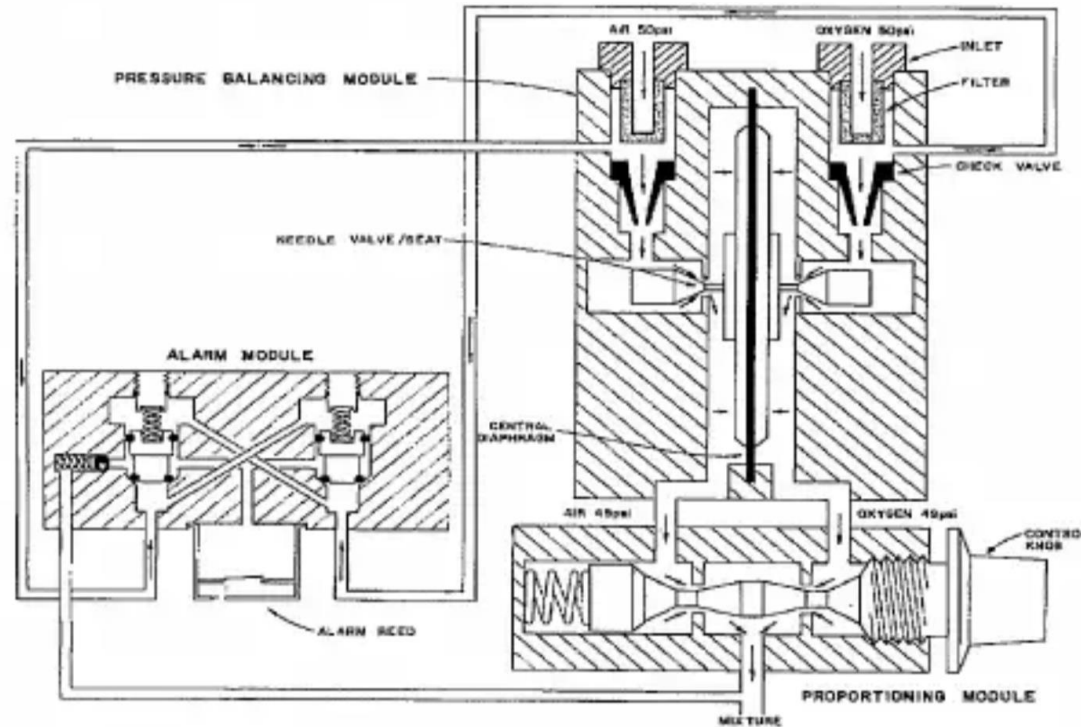
Model 3601

Standard Accessories:
Water Trap Assembly

Optional Accessories:
14ft air hose/14ft oxygen hose,
both with DISS fittings



Commercial mixers are designed to compensate for the different pressures in the feeding lines, and in this way there is no need of a mixing volume.

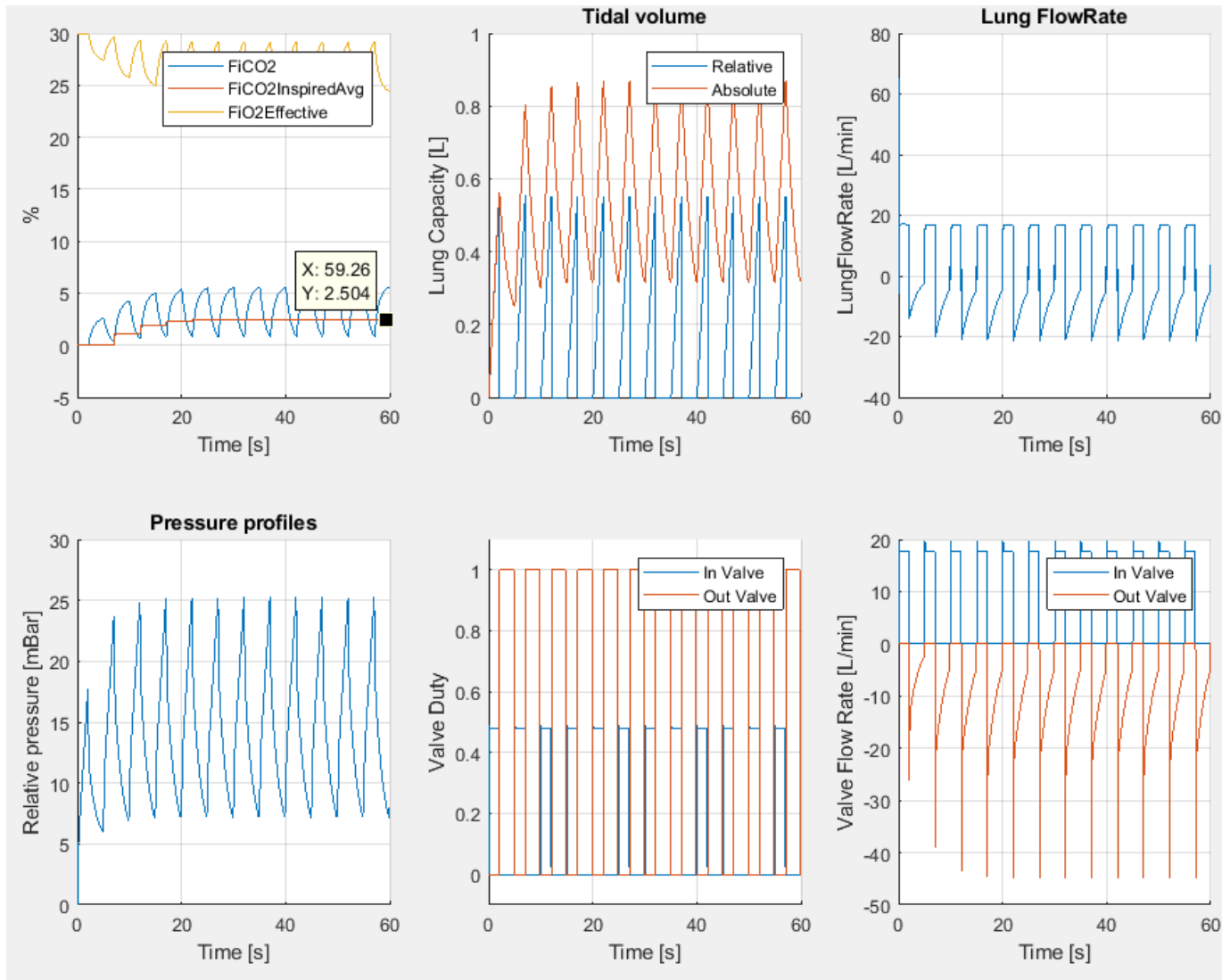


Co2 rebreathing

CO ₂ concentration in air	Symptoms and effects of inhaling CO ₂
1% - 1.5%	Effetto leggero sul metabolismo dopo l'esposizione di diverse ore
3%	Il gas è debolmente narcotico a questo livello, dando luogo a respirazione più profonda, ridotta capacità uditiva, accoppiato con mal di testa, un aumento della pressione sanguigna e della frequenza cardiaca
4 - 5%	La stimolazione del centro respiratorio si verifica con conseguente respirazione più profonda e più rapida. I segni di intossicazione diventeranno più evidenti dopo l'esposizione di 30 minuti
5 - 10%	La respirazione diventa più faticoso con mal di testa e perdita dei sensi
10 - 100 %	Quando l'anidride carbonica concentrazione aumenta superiori al 10%, perdita di coscienza si verifica in meno di un minuto e se non si interviene pronta, ulteriore esposizione a questi alti livelli finirà per provocare la morte

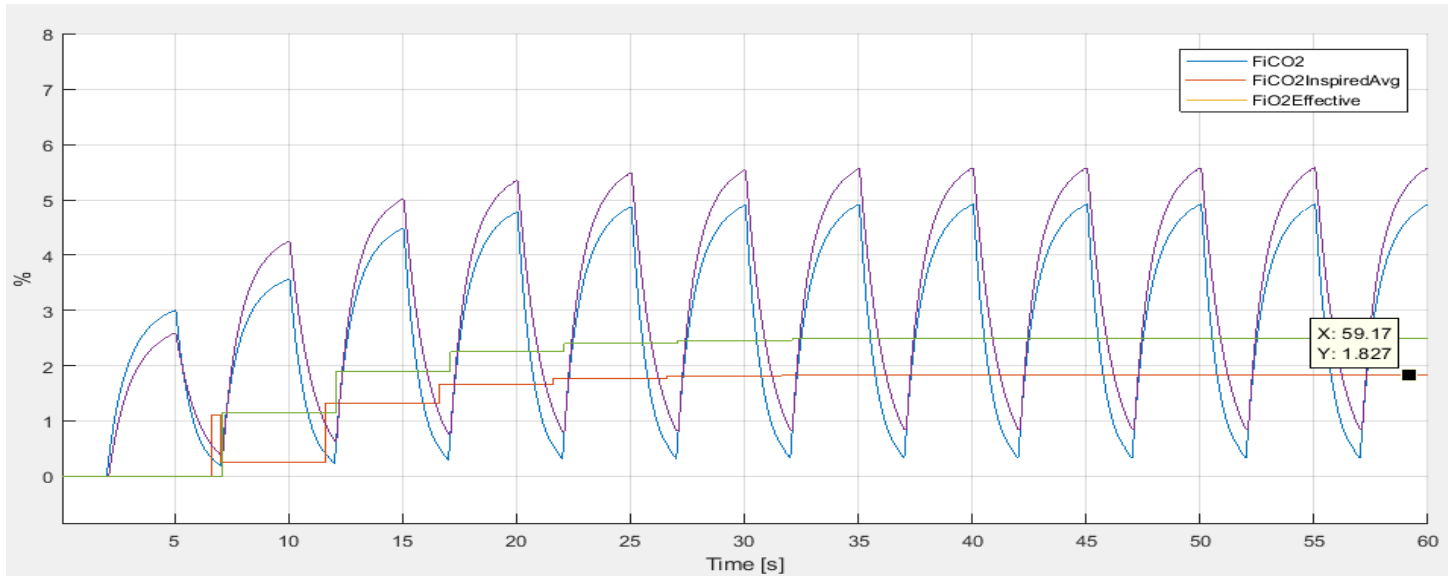
In normal condition the CO₂ rebreathing could be a serious issue (see table above, a medical advice is need on this item). If we have to keep it under control, the ventilator operation has to be changed.

Co2 rebreathing - Mask



With the cycle we assumed up to now, the CO₂ concentration stabilizes quickly around 2.5%. Even if its not exceeding the 3% treshold, it's still not negligible.

Co2 rebreathing - Mask



In order to reduce the CO₂ rebreathing significantly (from 2.5% to 1.8%) with similar tidal volume and pressure profile both input valve duty and outlet valve opening time have to be increased:

Base:

In duty 48%

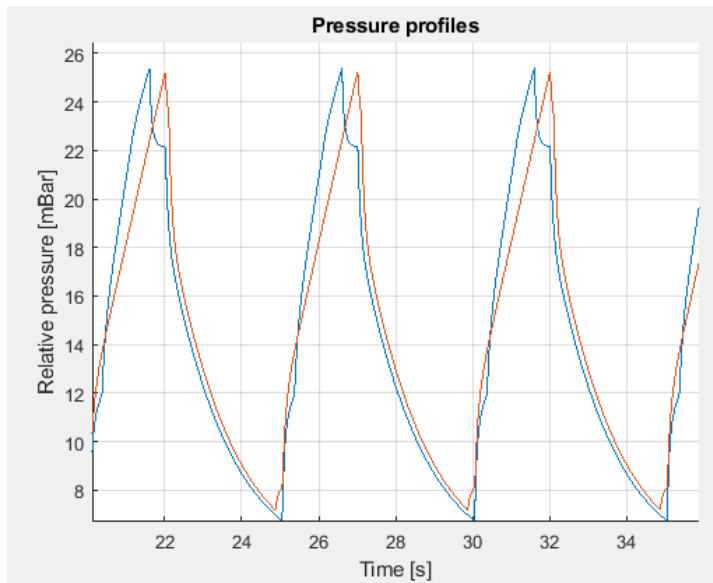
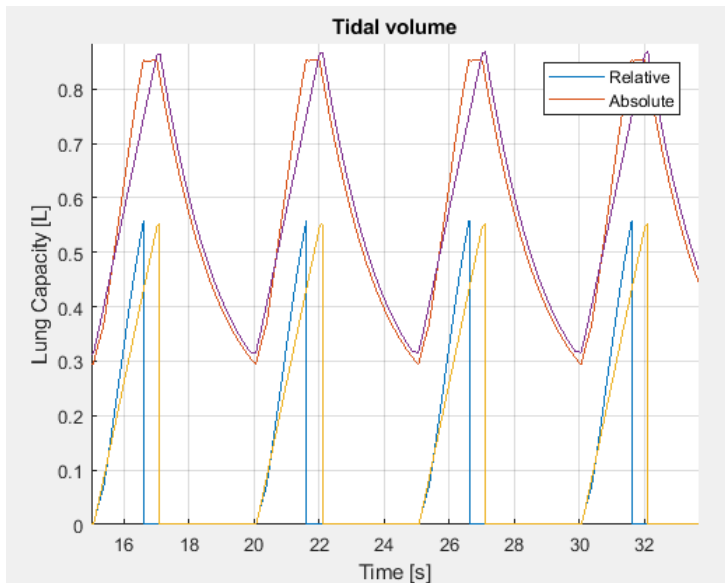
Out opening time: 55%

Reduced CO₂:

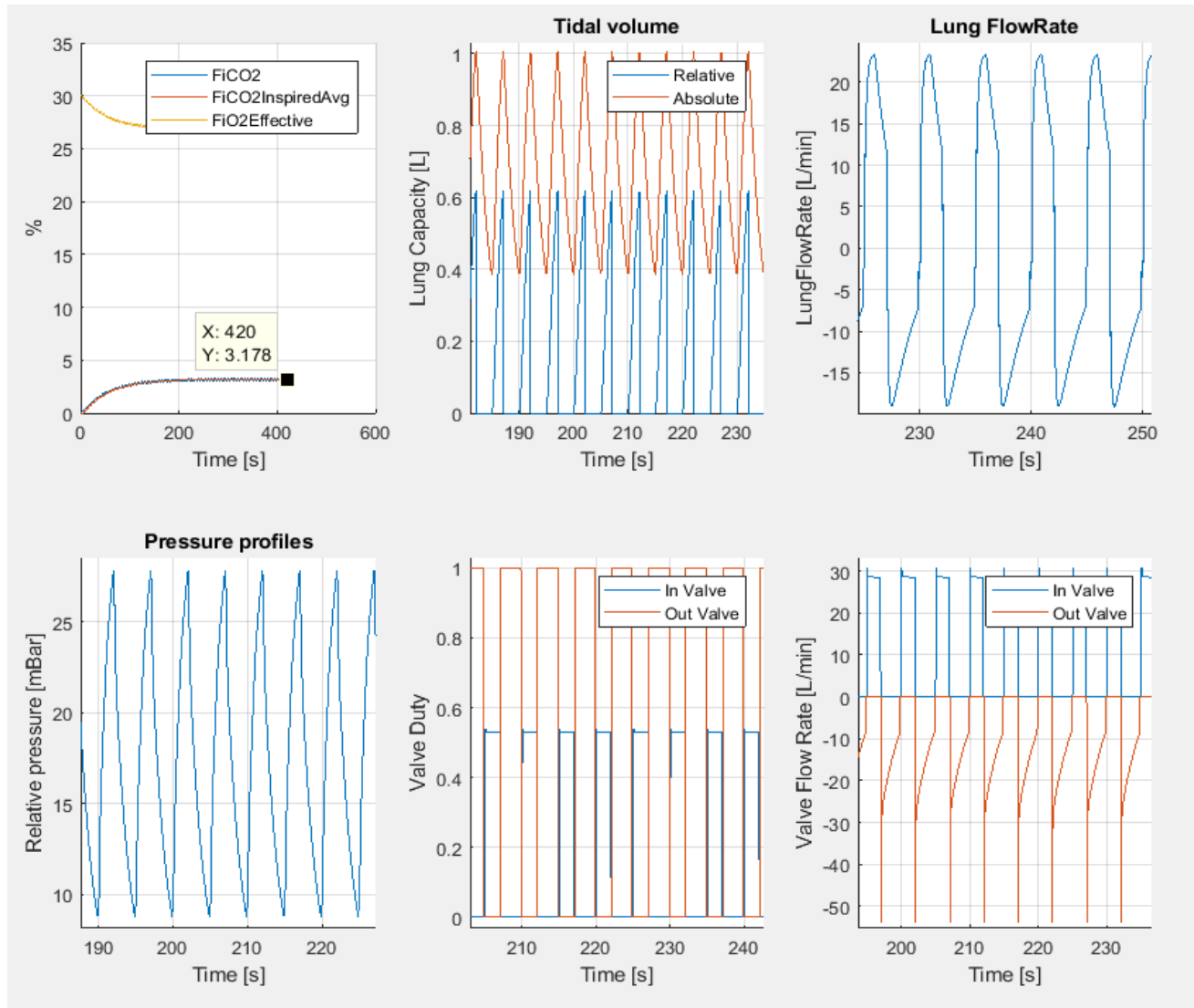
In duty 52%

Out opening time: 75%

Medical feedback was to target a CO₂ concentration below 2%.

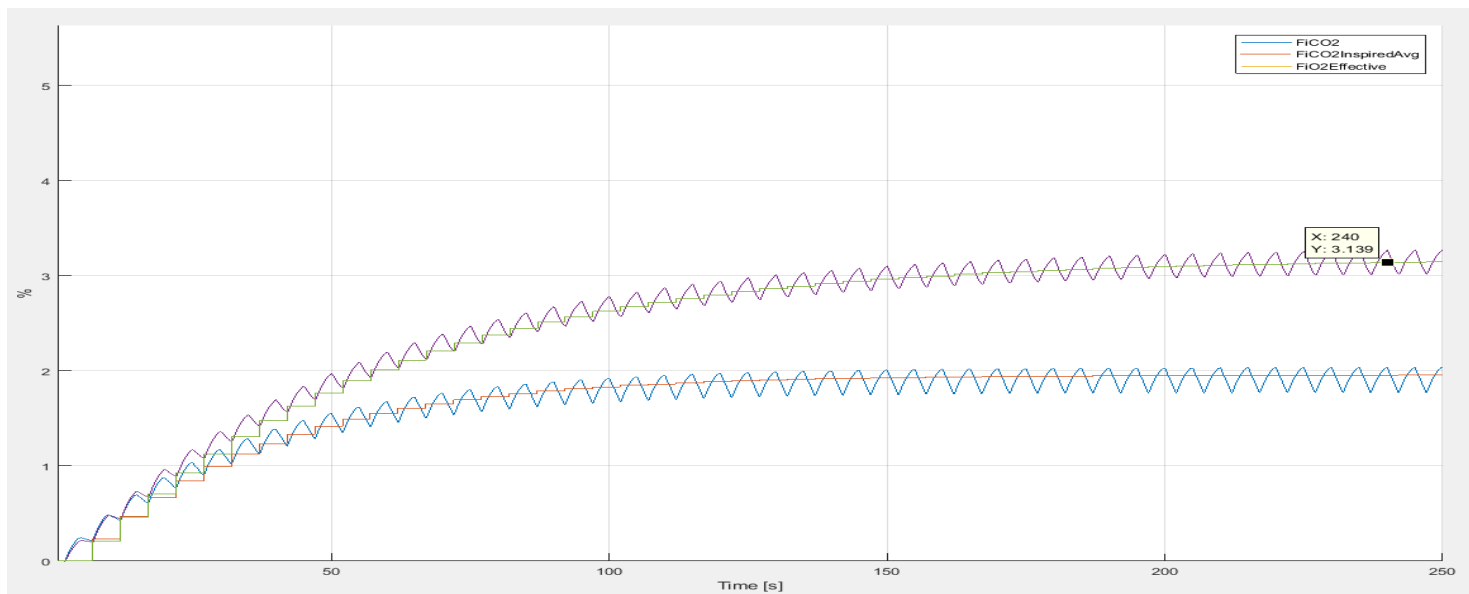


Co2 rebreathing - Helmet



As expected, with the bigger volume of the helmet, the CO₂ concentration is higher (3.2% vs 2.5%).

Co2 rebreathing - Helmet

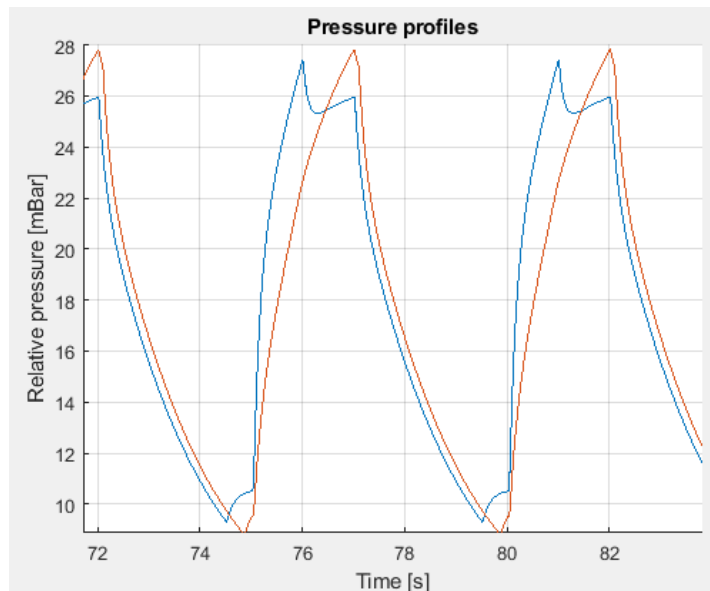
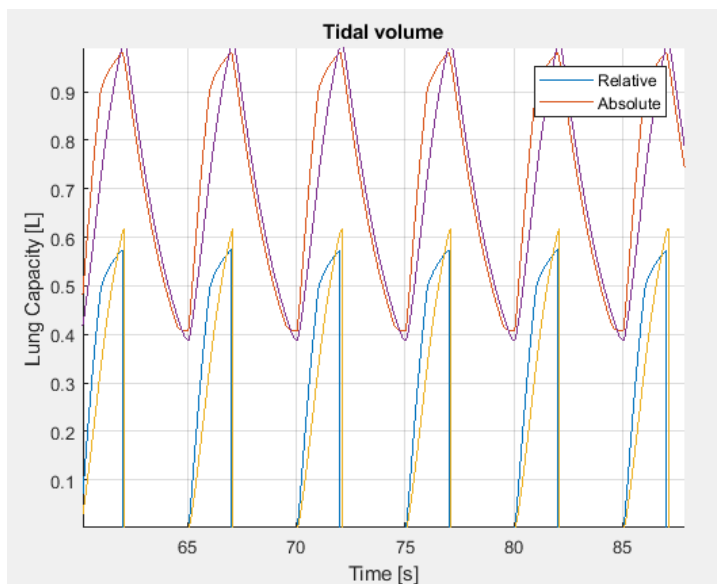


In order to reduce the CO2 rebreathing significantly (from almost 3.2% to less than 2%) with similar tidal volume and pressure profile both input valve duty and outlet valve opening time have to be increased quite a lot:

Base:
In duty 53%
Out opening time: 55%

Reduced CO2:
In duty 80%
Out opening time: 70%

Medical feedback was to target a CO2 concentration below 2%.































FMEA

Four mechanical device will define the flow/pressure level on patient's mouth. **PR1** which is setted to 1000 mbar, **V1** proportional valve, **check** valve setted to a cranking pressure of 80mbar and a **vent** valve setted from 30 to 50mbar.

We have simulated a single failure inside the ventilator assemblies (*NB. Vent Trap valve is an external devices*). Worst case have been simulated in order to verify and asses the minimum level of permeability of those valves to be safe.

Failure combination

- Vent valve fitted and operative
 - If V1 will not work properly due to control or the valve itself, vent valve will evacuate all flowrate without triggering check valve → **simualted (next slide)**
 - If PR1 will stop working part of the problem will be solved from the control which will reduce valve duty in order to match taret pressure → **no need of sim if point above is ok**
 - If check valve is broken but all other device is working properly will not affect the behaviour of the system → **ok, no need of sim**
- Vent valve NOT fitted or blocked
 - If V1 will not work properly check valve must evacuate all flowrate → **critical, simualted (next slide)**
 - As before If PR1 will stop working part of the problem will be solved again from the control → **simulation TBD once control is completed**
 - If check valve is broken and vent is not operative there will be no issue if control operates fine and other components have not a failure

FMEA analysis				
PR1	V1	Check	Vent	Note
				All ok
				Vent to evacuate all exceeding flow
				TBD control authority in helping vent evacuate
				Vent is sufficient to not trigger check
				Check to evacuate all exceeding flow
				TBD control authority in helping check evacuate
				No issue if control/v1 and PR works correctly

FMEA Simulation results

All this simulation have been performed using the stiffest lung characteristics (worst case) and most permeable V1 valve (CP) running with 750mbar of pressure on inlet valve; this case produce an air flow rate through valve of **88 lpm**. Calculating vent trap pressure drop like a pipe of 0.3mt long with 10mm diam (pessimistic) **we got a loss of 0.1 mbar each 20lpm**.

VentValve fitted

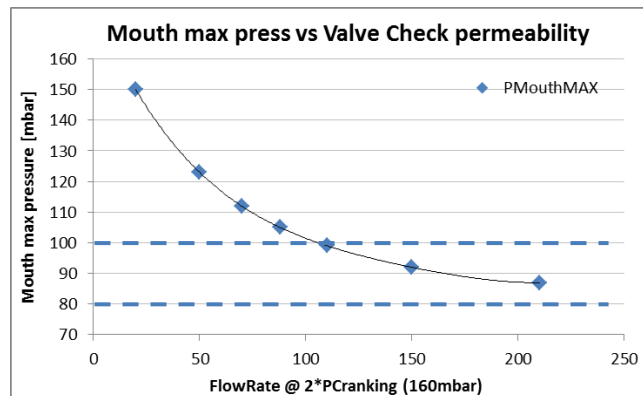
Vent valve with it's high permeability will evacuate all excess of air without triggering mechanical check valve. Flowmeter pressure drop (almost 20mbar) help increasing operating pressure on mechanical check valve without still reaching 80mbar of cranking pressure.

In this condition **mouth pressure tend to 31mbar**.

VentValve not fitted

The only protection will be the 80 mbar mechanical valve. Permeability target of this valve will be defined considering **+20mbar of mouth pressure** in evacuating all exceeding flow rate **(Medical feedback need still to confirm this!)**.

We need a valve that can evacuate around **100 lpm** of air at **160mbar pressure (+80 wrt cranking)**. Mouth pressure will be **100mbar** in this condition.



← Pmouth MAX

← PCrank

