

L1 – Hydraulic Machines Introduction and Fields of applications

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Itaipu hydropower plant, China

EPFL Topics of the lecture

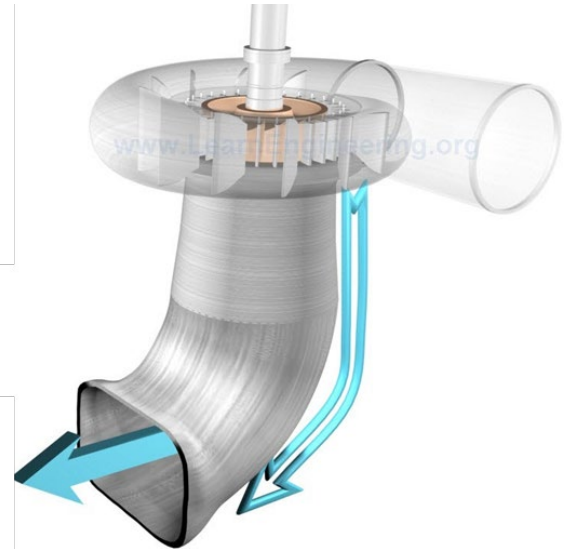
- Definitions
- Introduction to specific hydraulic energy
- Turbomachines Classification
- Fields of applications
 - Hydropower plants
 - Industrial Pumps Applications

EPFL Turbomachines definition

- Turbomachines are machines including stator and rotor elements that transfer energy between a rotor and a fluid.
- Energy transfer consists in the conversion between hydraulic energy and mechanical work

Remember! Mass and energy transfer are evaluated through:

- Mass balance equation
- First thermodynamic principle
- Second thermodynamic principle



EPFL Turbomachines definition



ROTOR

BLADES + CROWN +
SHROUD



TURBOMACHINES

STATOR

DIFFUSER

VOLUTE with or
without VANES



EPFL Turbomachines definition

ROTOR:

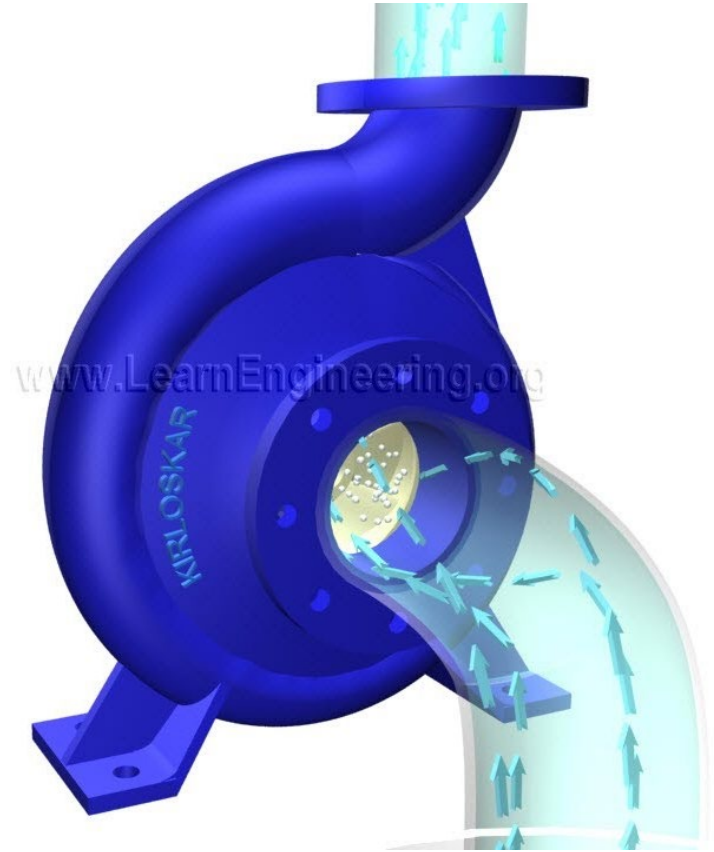
- it varies the momentum of the fluid → it varies the static and kinetic energy of the fluid
- In pumping mode, it transforms mechanical energy into fluid energy, while in generating mode, it converts fluid energy into mechanical energy available to the shaft.

DIFFUSER:

- Transforms the energy of the fluid
- In generating mode, it collects the fluid that comes out of the rotor and conveys it to the delivery pipe, converting kinetic energy into pressure energy
- In pumping mode, it directs the fluid towards the impeller, transforming its pressure energy into kinetic energy

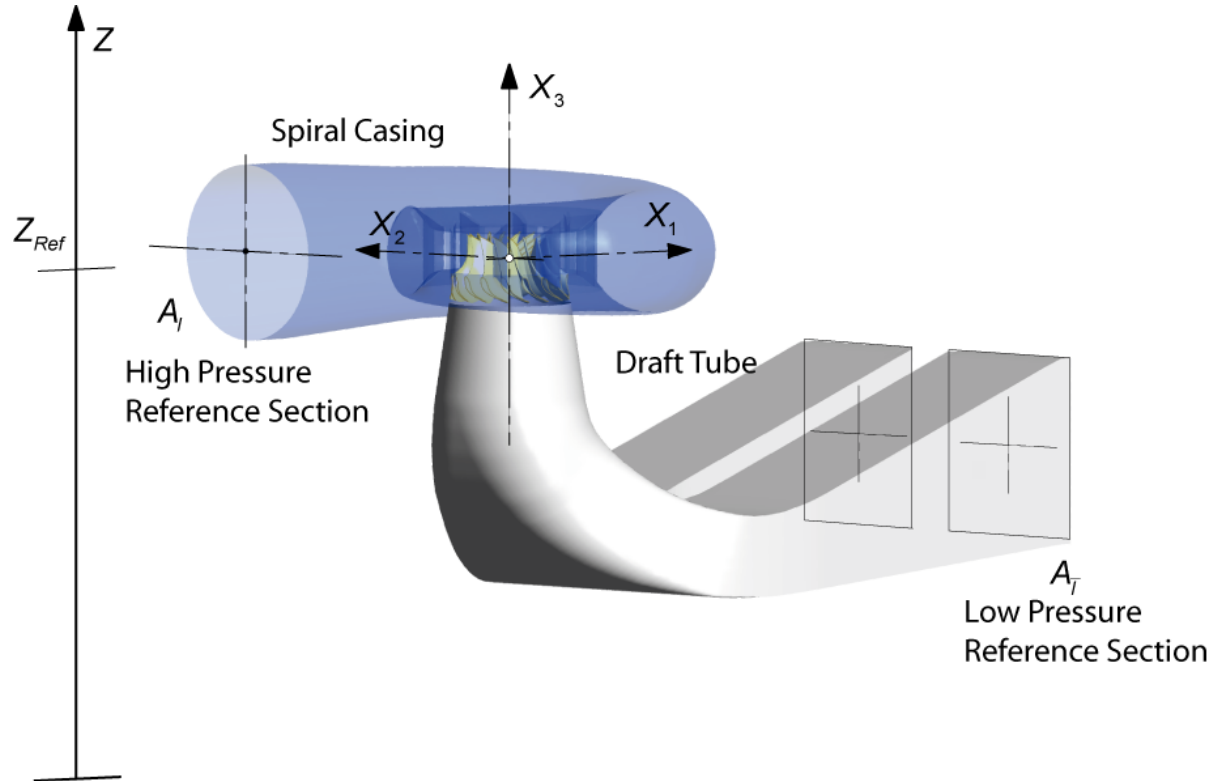
Turbomachines definition

- In turbomachines, the system is represented by a **mass flow**
- The exchange of energy occurs continuously through an always **open system**
- The **interaction between the flow and the walls** through which the fluid passes is evaluated
- The exchange of energy is based on the **change in the momentum imposed on the fluid by the machine**



Turbomachines definition

Frame of reference



Specific Hydraulic Energy

Specific Energy Balance

- Local Mean Flow Specific Energy: Flow Property

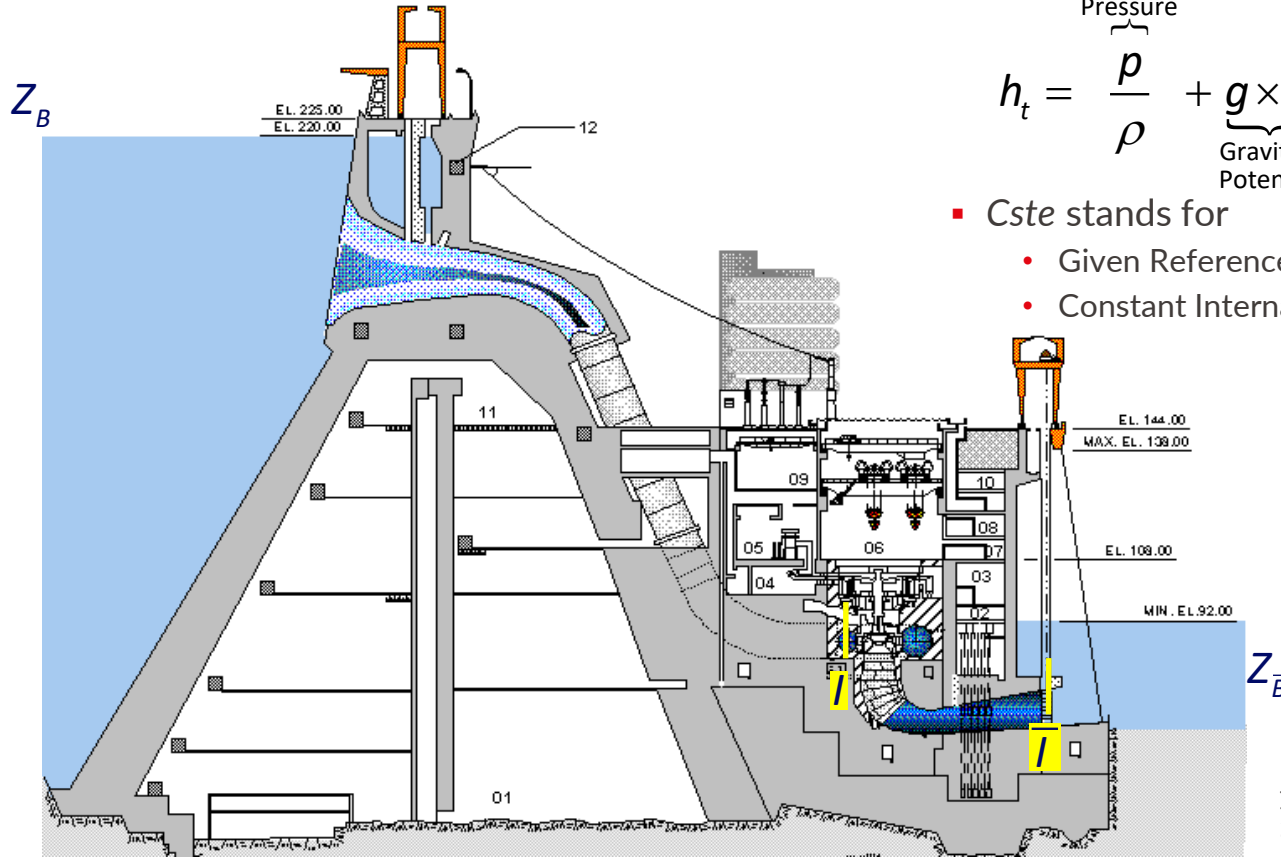
$$h_t = \underbrace{\frac{p}{\rho}}_{\text{Pressure}} + \underbrace{g \times Z}_{\substack{\text{Gravity} \\ \text{Potential}}} + \underbrace{\frac{\bar{C}^2}{2}}_{\text{Kinetic}} + Cste \quad (\text{J} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1})$$

- $Cste$ stands for
 - Given Reference Elevation Z_{ref} (e.g. Sea Level)
 - Constant Internal Specific Energy

Available Specific Hydraulic Energy

$$E \triangleq gH_I - gH_T$$

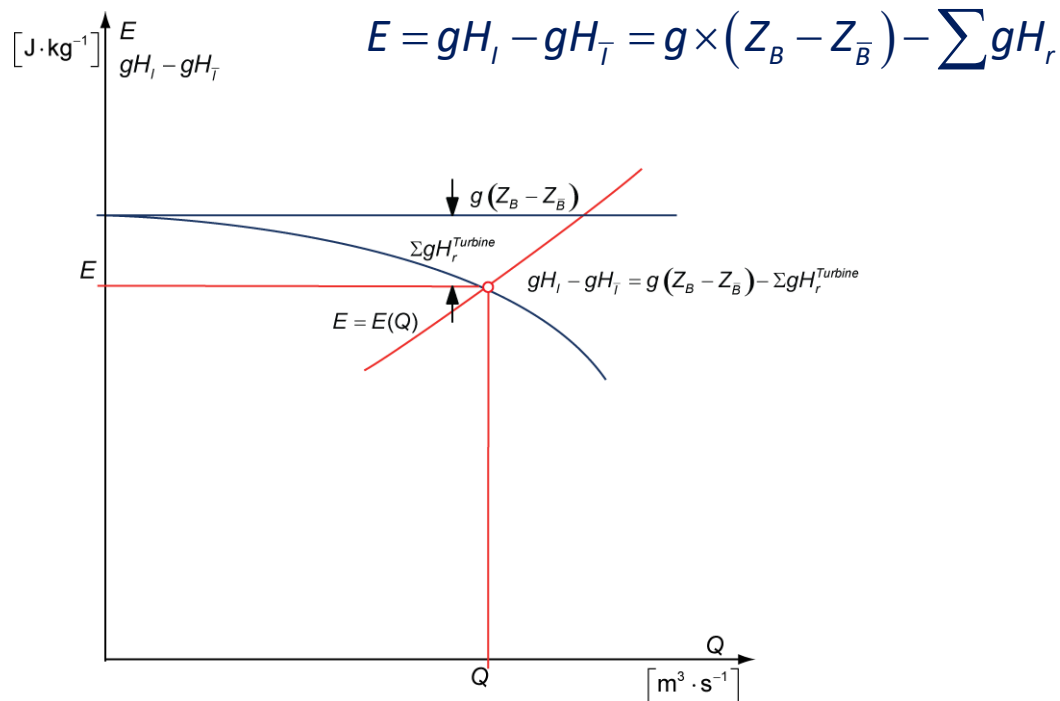
$$= g(Z_B - Z_{\bar{B}}) - \sum gH_r^T$$



Itaipú, Brazil/Paraguay
20 x 740 MW Francis

Specific Hydraulic Energy

Hydraulic Characteristics : generating mode



Specific Hydraulic Energy

Hydraulic Drive : generating mode

- Available Hydraulic Power

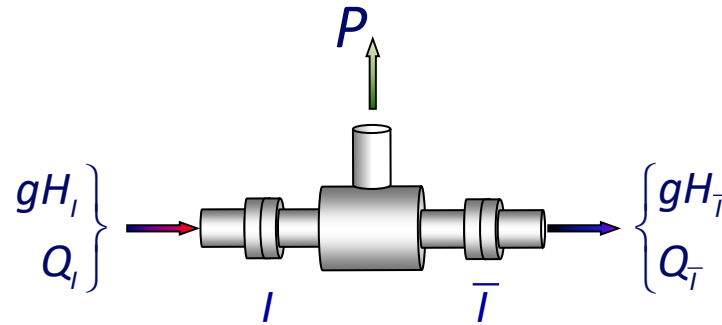
$$P_h = \underbrace{\rho Q}_{\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \times \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}} \times \underbrace{E}_{\frac{\text{J}}{\text{kg}}} \quad (\text{W})$$

- Machine Power Output
 P (W)

- Turbine Efficiency

$$\eta^T = \frac{P}{P_h} ; \eta^T \leq 100 \%$$

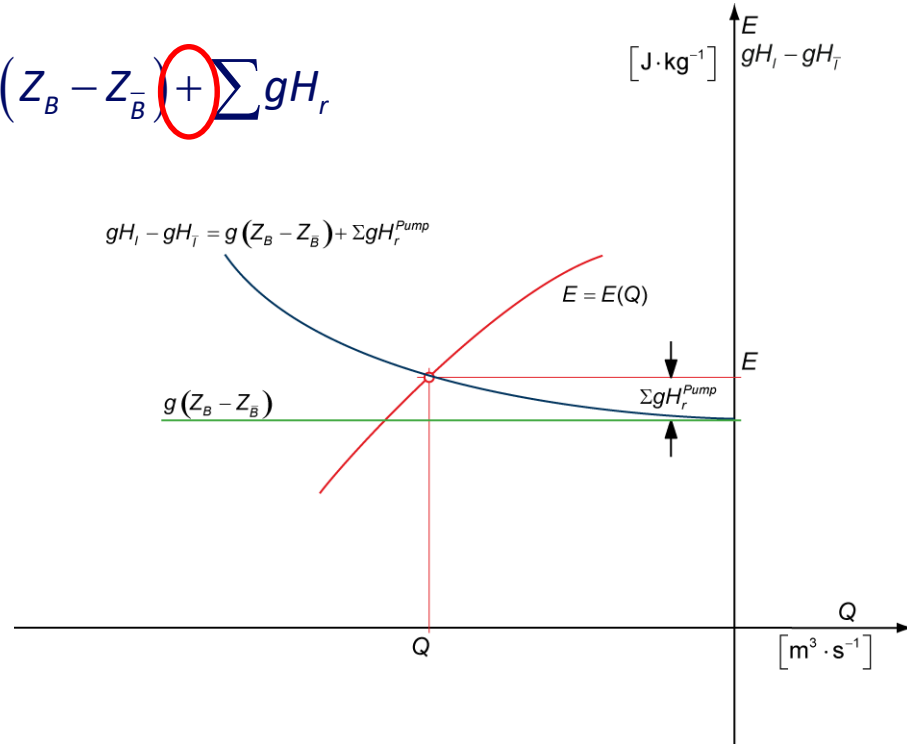
- Discharge and Driving Power Defined as Positive : $P \geq 0$



Specific Hydraulic Energy

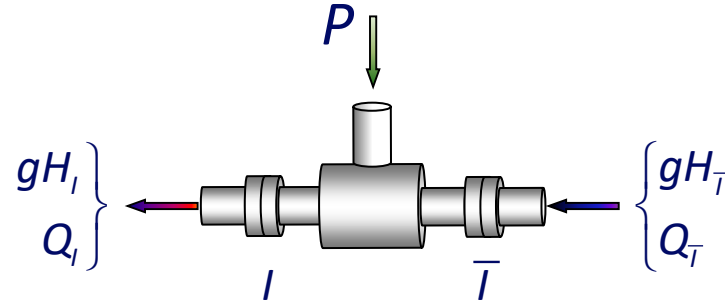
Hydraulic Characteristics: pumping mode

$$gH_I - gH_I = g(Z_B - Z_{\bar{B}}) + \Sigma gH_r$$



Specific Hydraulic Energy

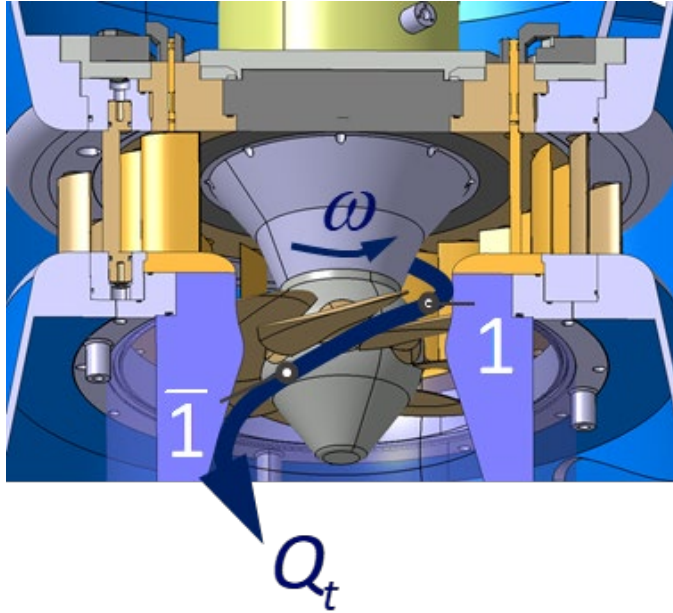
Hydraulic Brake : pumping mode



- Discharge and pumping power defined as negative $P \leq 0$
- Hydraulic Power Output $P_h = \rho \times Q \times E$ (W)
- Power Input P (W)
- Pump Efficiency $\eta^P = \frac{P_h}{P}$

Classification of Hydraulic Runners

Runner/impeller specific energy transfer



- Traversing Discharge

$$Q_t \quad (\text{m}^3 \cdot \text{s}^{-1})$$

- Transferred Specific Energy

$$gH_1 - gH_{\bar{1}} = E_t \pm E_{rb} \quad (\text{J} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1})$$

- Power Transfer

$$P_t = \rho Q_t E_t \quad (\text{W})$$

Brilliant Extension Project, British Columbia,
Canada, Kaplan Turbine CAD Model, PF2 EPFL Test
Rig

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- Specific Energy

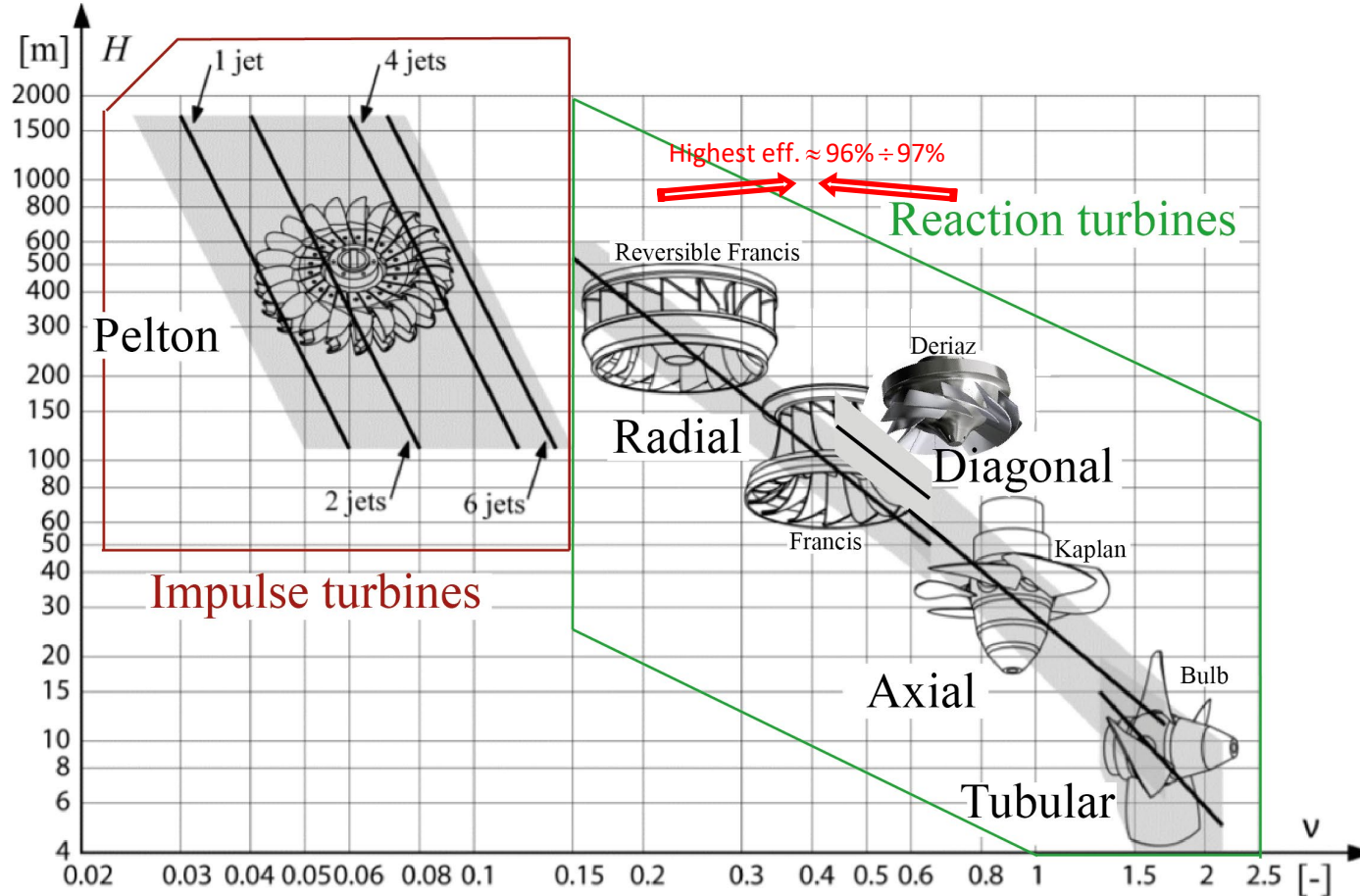
$$gH = \frac{p}{\rho} + gZ + \frac{C^2}{2} \quad (\text{J} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1})$$

- Specific Energy Balance:

$$E_t = \underbrace{\left(\frac{p_1}{\rho} - \frac{p_{\bar{1}}}{\rho} \right)}_{\text{Displacement}} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{C_1^2}{2} - \frac{C_{\bar{1}}^2}{2} \right)}_{\text{Impulse}} + \underbrace{\left[gZ_1 - gZ_{\bar{1}} \right]}_{\text{Water Wheel}} \pm \underbrace{E_{rb}}_{\text{Loss}} \quad (\text{J} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1})$$



Classification of Hydraulic Runners



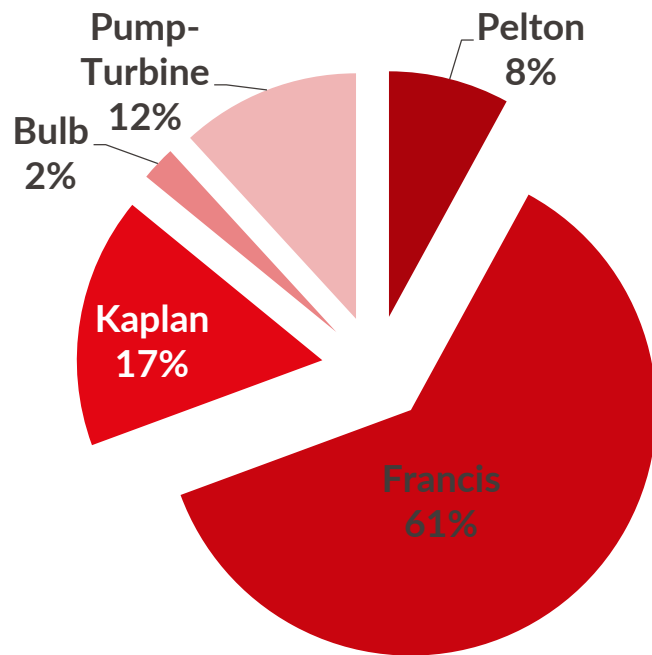
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Head} &= H \quad (\text{m}) \\ \text{Discharge} &= Q \quad (\text{m}^3 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}) \\ \text{Speed} &= N \quad (\text{min}^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

$$v = 2^{\frac{1}{4}} \pi^{\frac{1}{2}} \times n \times \frac{Q^{\frac{1}{2}}}{E^{\frac{3}{4}}}$$

Classification of Hydraulic Runners

Hydropower International market in 2010

- Breakdown by Types of Turbines
 - 1'038 GW Installed Capacity in 2010
 - 1'000 GW to be built before 2050 Greenfields Project



Hydropower Plants

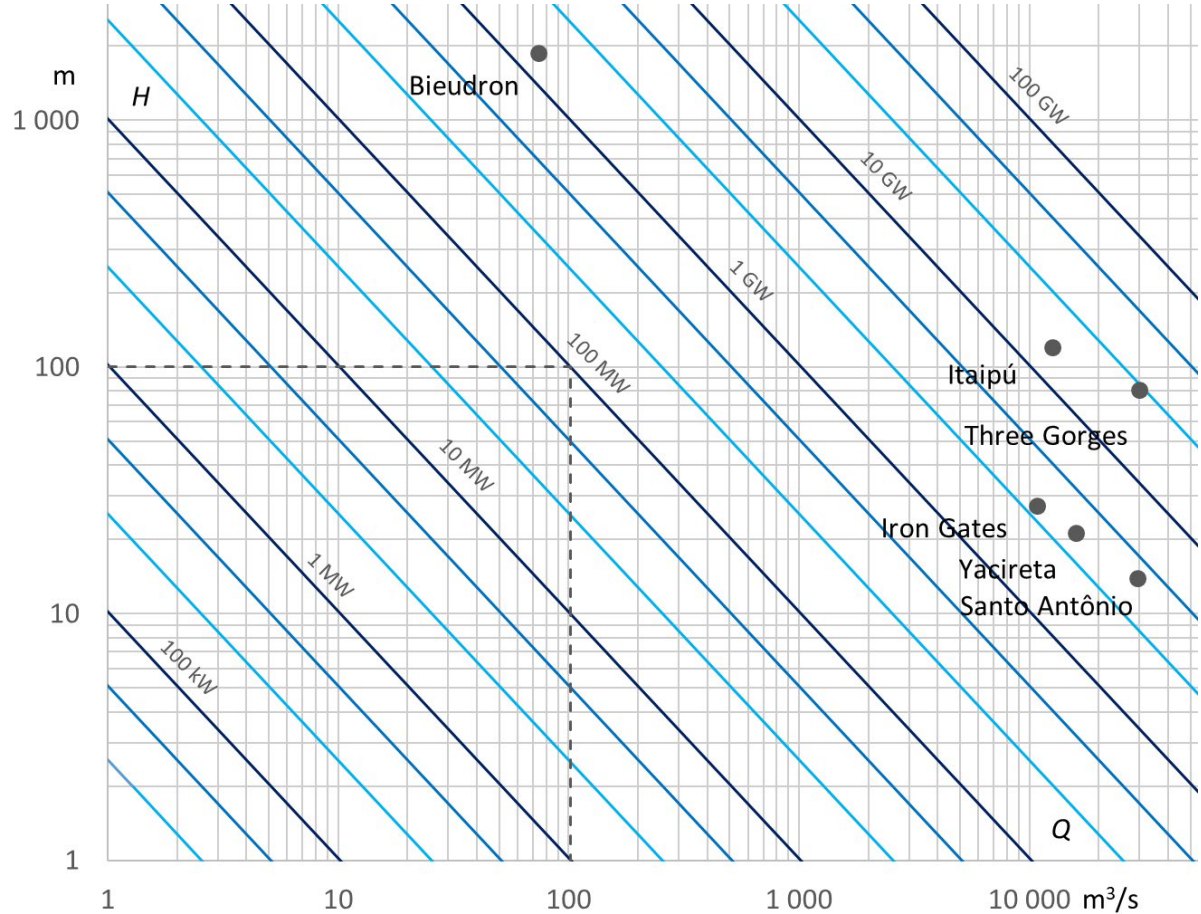
A hydropower plant transforms the hydraulic energy of a watercourse, whether it is natural or artificial, into renewable electricity.

Classification		
Power Capacity: - Large > 100 MW - Medium 25 – 100 MW - Small 1 – 25 MW - Mini 100kW – 1 MW - Micro < 100 kW	By Head: - High > 300 m - Medium 30 – 300 m - Low < 30 m	By Types: - Storage - Pumped-storage - Run of river - Offshore

Hydropower Plants

$$P_h = \rho Q \times gH$$

Hydraulic Power (W) = Mass Flow (kg·s⁻¹) × Specific Energy (J·kg⁻¹)



Hydropower Plants

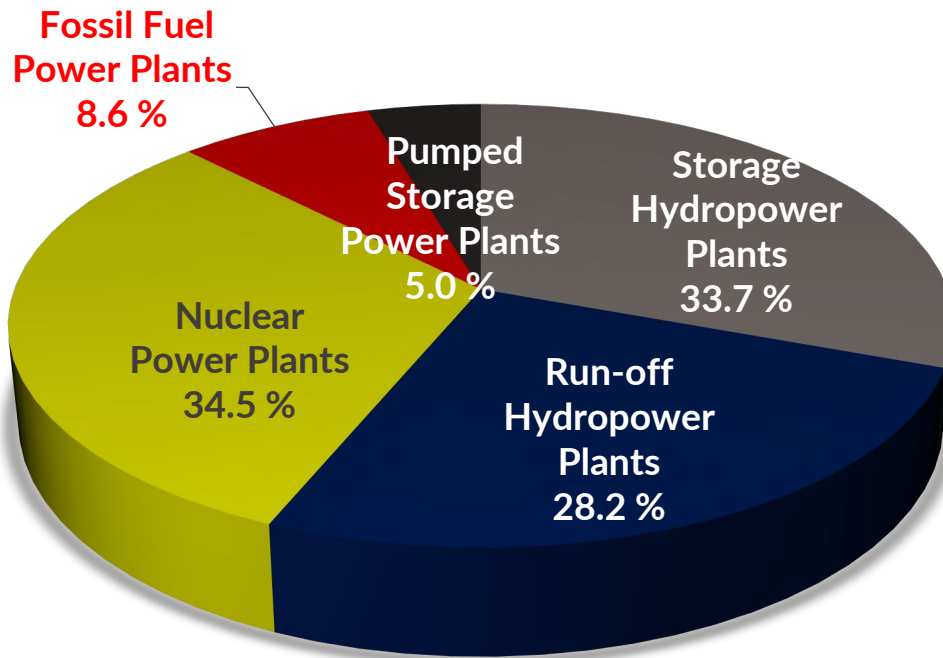
Types

There are four main types of hydropower plants:

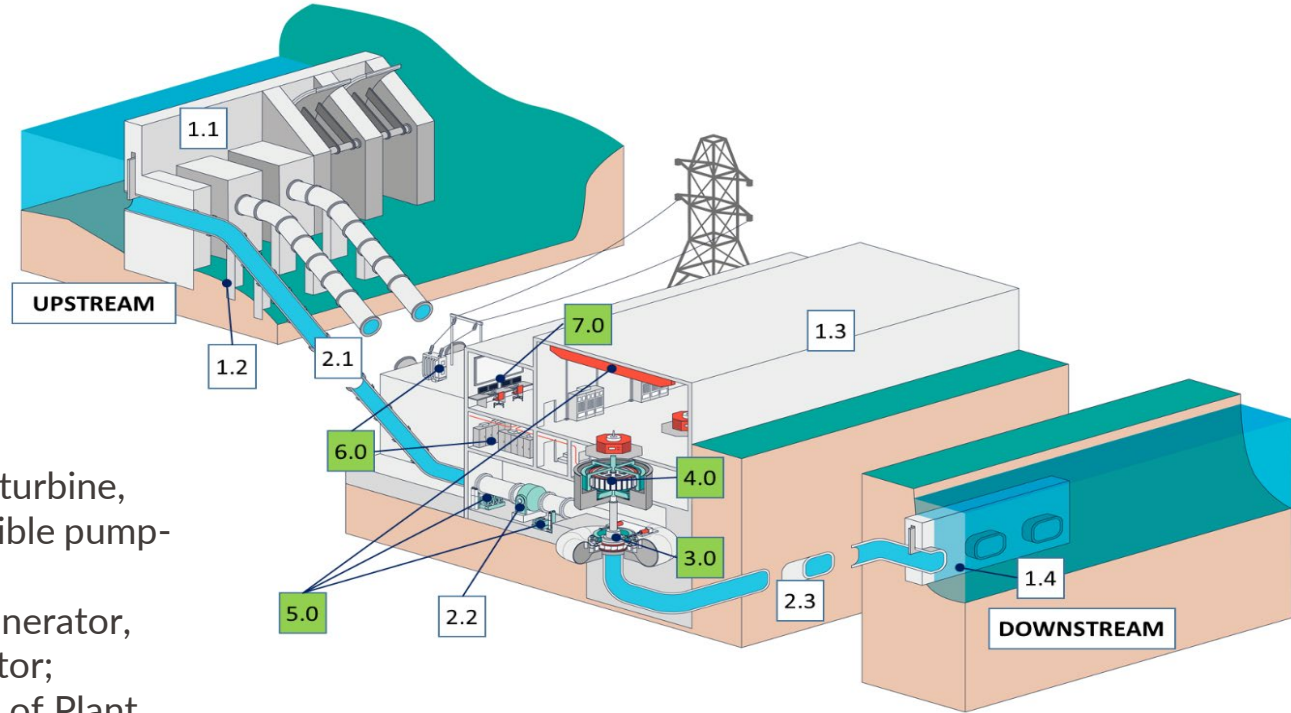
- **Storage hydropower:** typically a large system that uses a dam to store water in a reservoir.
- **Pumped storage hydropower:** similar to storage hydropower but with pumping capability.
- **Run-of-river hydropower:** a facility that channels flowing water from a river through a canal or penstock to spin a turbine (little or no storage facility).
- **Offshore hydropower:** a less established but growing group of technologies that use tidal currents or the power of waves to generate electricity from seawater.

Types of Hydropower Plants

Swiss Scenario

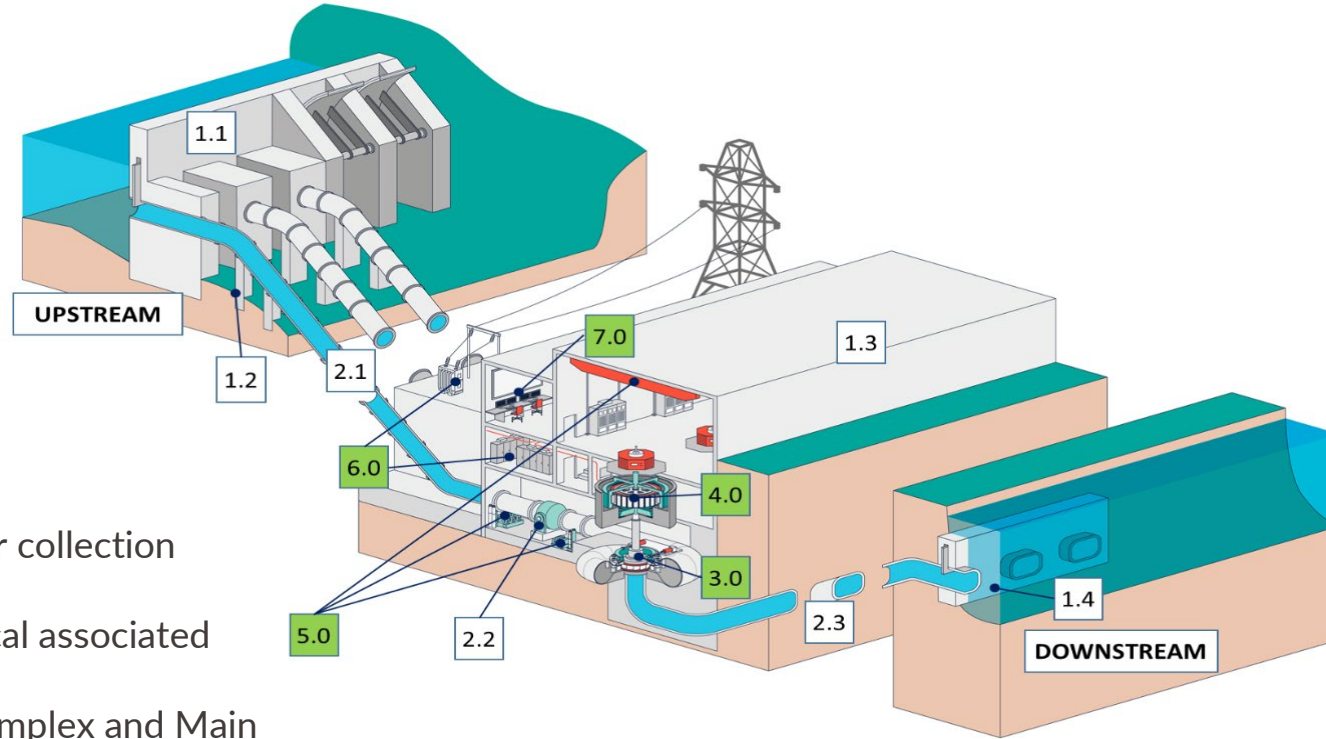


Overview of a storage hydropower plant



- 1.0 Water ways;
- 2.0 Hydromechanical;
- 3.0 Hydraulic machine, turbine, storage pump or reversible pump-turbine;
- 4.0 Electric machine, generator, motor or motor-generator;
- 5.0 Mechanical Balance of Plant (MBoP);
- 6.0 Electrical Balance of Plant (EBoP);
- 7.0 Control Systems.

Overview of a storage hydropower plant

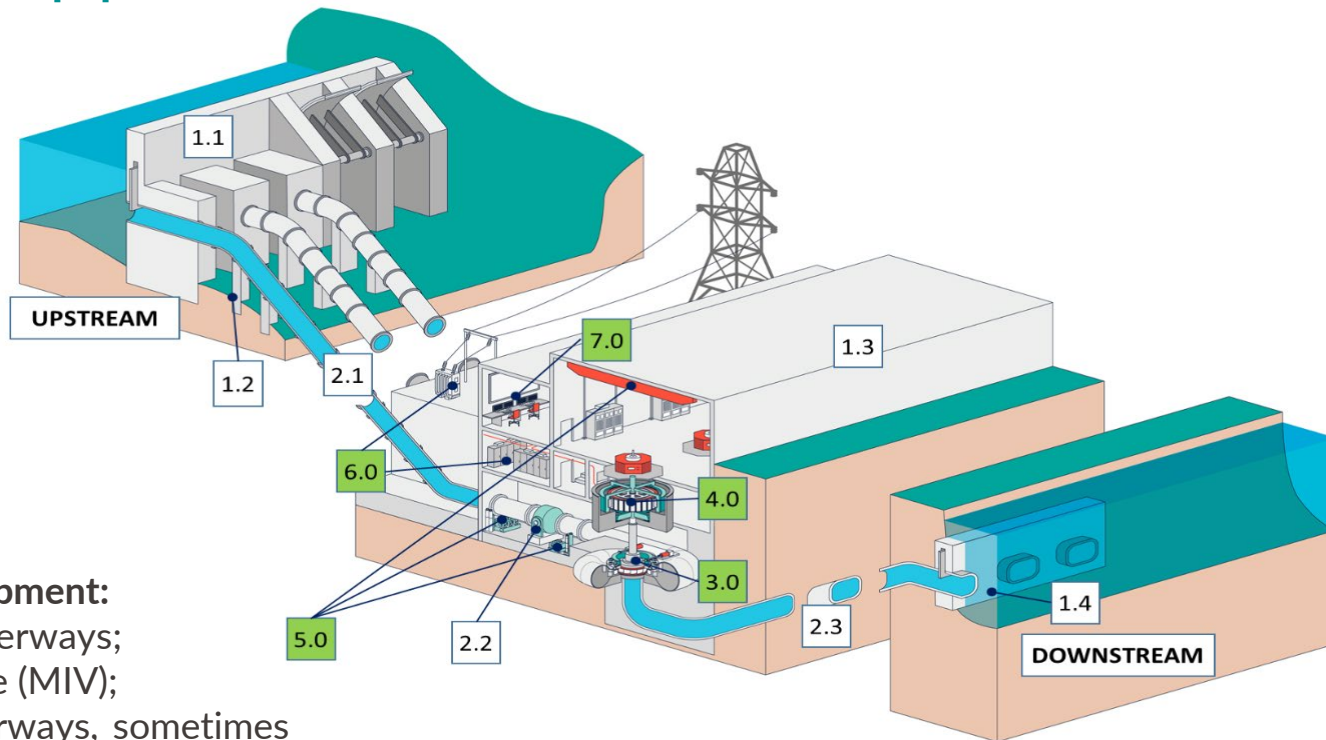


Water ways

- 1.1 Upstream water collection structures;
- 1.2 Hydromechanical associated works;
- 1.3 Powerhouse complex and Main structures/foundations;
- 1.4 Downstream water discharge structures.

Overview of a storage hydropower plant

Hydro mechanical equipment



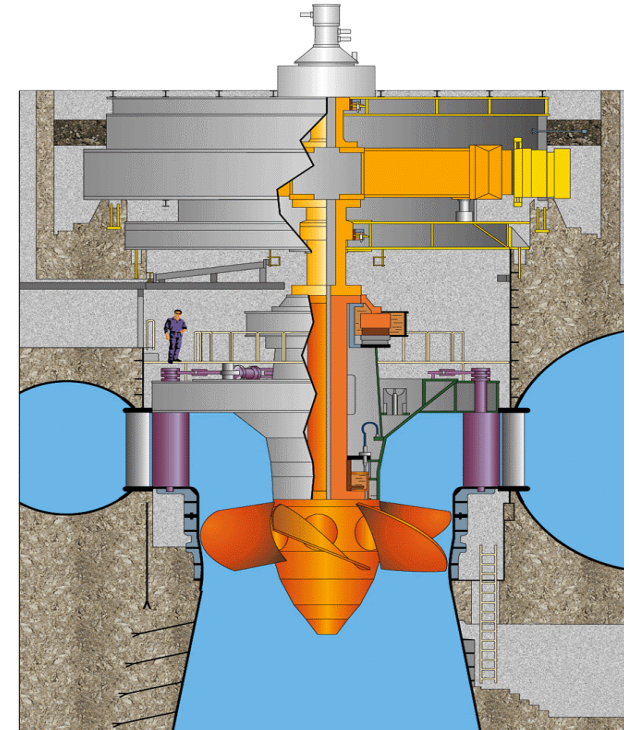
Hydro Mechanical equipment:

- 2.1 Headwater waterways;
- 2.2 Main Inlet Valve (MIV);
- 2.3 Tailwater waterways, sometimes designated just as “Tailrace”).

Overview of a storage hydropower plant

Power unit

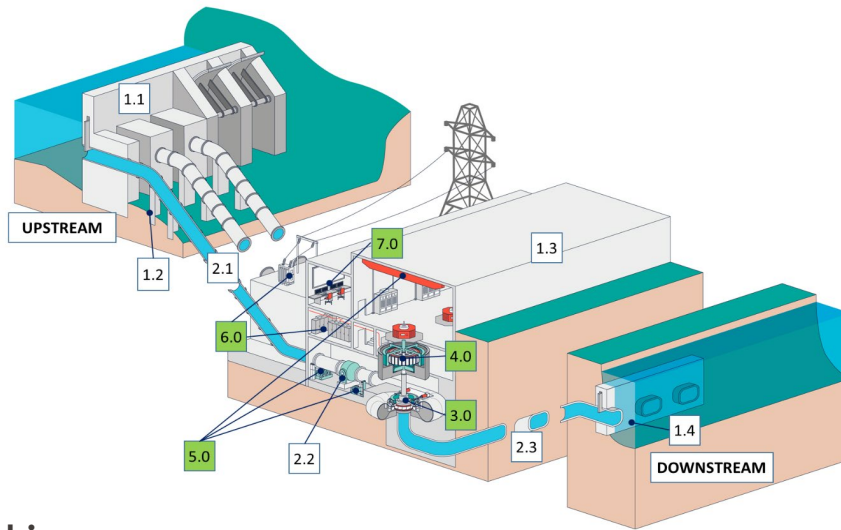
- Generator
 - Synchronous or Asynchronous machine
 - Excitation, Voltage Regulator
 - Cooling
 - Thrust Bearing
- Drive
 - Turbine
 - Speed Control (Governor)
 - Guide Bearings



Cachoeira Dourada, Br
115 MW - 34 m - 103 min-1

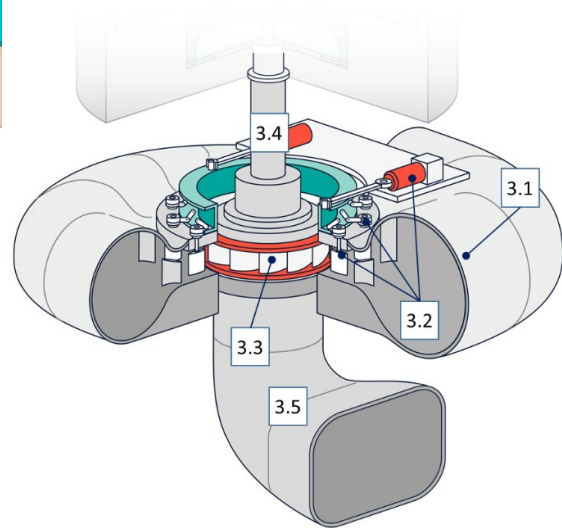
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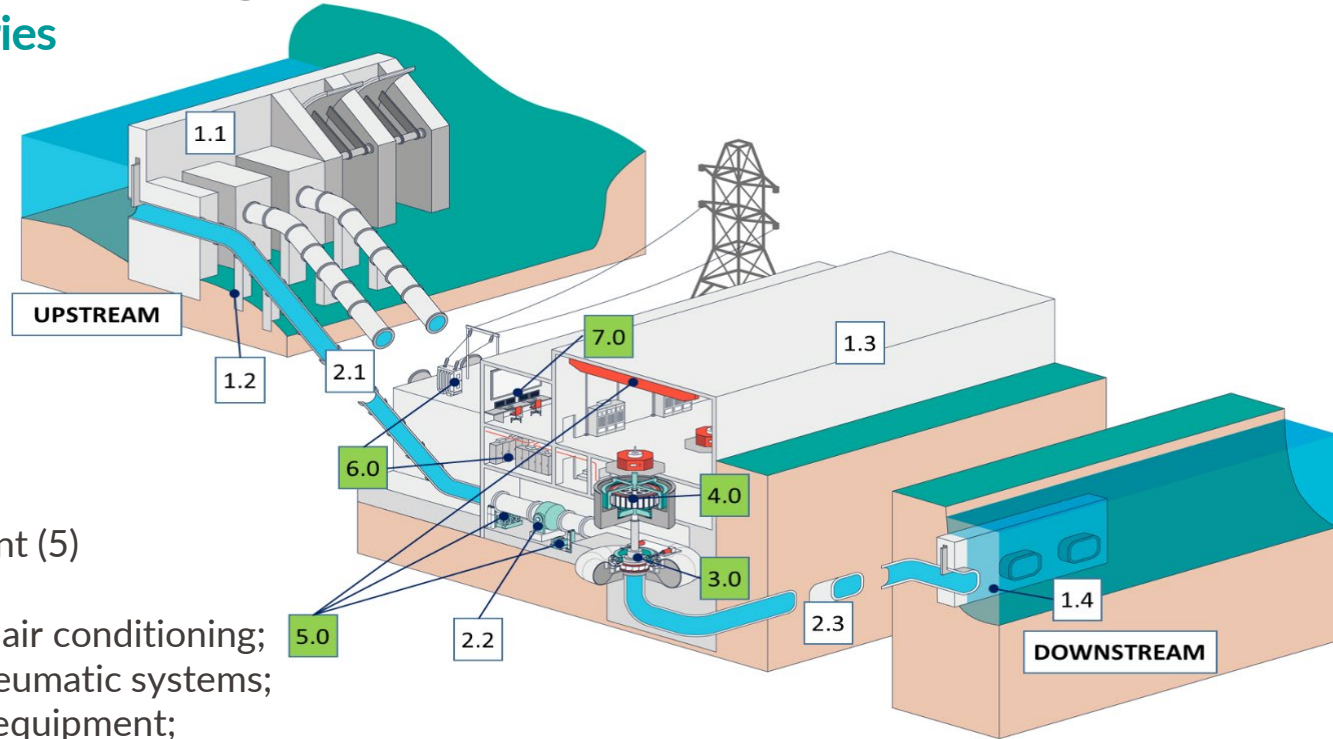
Hydraulic Machine

- 3.1 High-pressure case and pit liner;
- 3.2 Distributor;
- 3.3 Runner, Impeller;
- 3.4 Main shaft and bearings;
- 3.5 Draft tube;
- 3.6 Auxiliaries.



Overview of a storage hydropower plant

Mechanical Auxiliaries

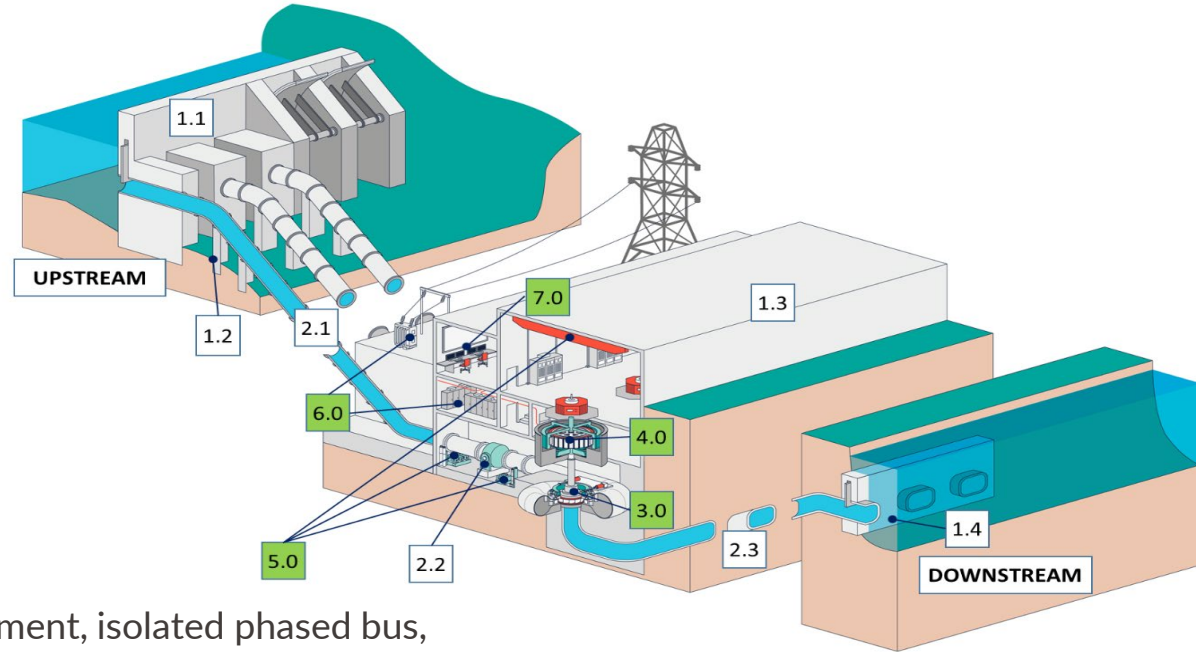


Mechanical Auxiliaries of Plant (5)

- Water cooling;
- Heat ventilation and air conditioning;
- Compressed air / pneumatic systems;
- Lifting and handling equipment;
- Lubrication and pressurized oil supply;
- Auxiliary systems including general powerhouse drainage, service and potable water, fire extinction systems.

Overview of a storage hydropower plant

Electrical Auxiliaries



Electrical Auxiliaries (6)

- High Voltage Equipment, isolated phased bus, switchyard, unit voltage transformers;
- Auxiliary Systems, power frequency converter, voltage source inverter type with control and backup.

Control System (7)

Example of field of application: Three Gorges Hydropower plant (China) is the largest hydropower project

- 14 + 12 Francis Turbines
 - 700 MW Unit Max Power: 22.5 GW in total
- Biggest hydropower plant in the world
- 110m Head



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Spiral case →



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Runner (inlet section)→



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Draft tube cone →



Centrifugal Pumps

Centrifugal pumps are widely used to move water from one location to another or circulate water within a circuit. They are also used to provide high-pressure jetting of water or other liquids or chemicals.

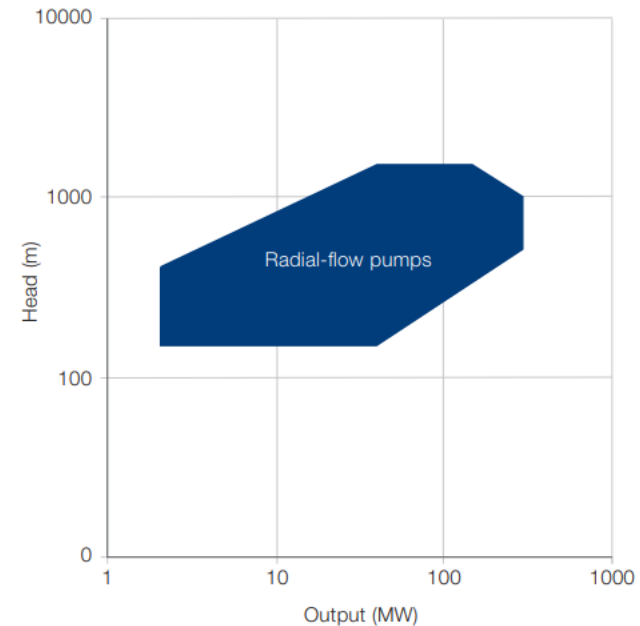
Classification	
Flow orientation: - Radial - Mixed-flow - Axial	Number of stages: - Single stage - Two stage - Multistage

Pumps types are very numerous and with specific characteristics depending on the use, the liquid or multiphase mixing, temperature and the required energy.

Centrifugal Pumps

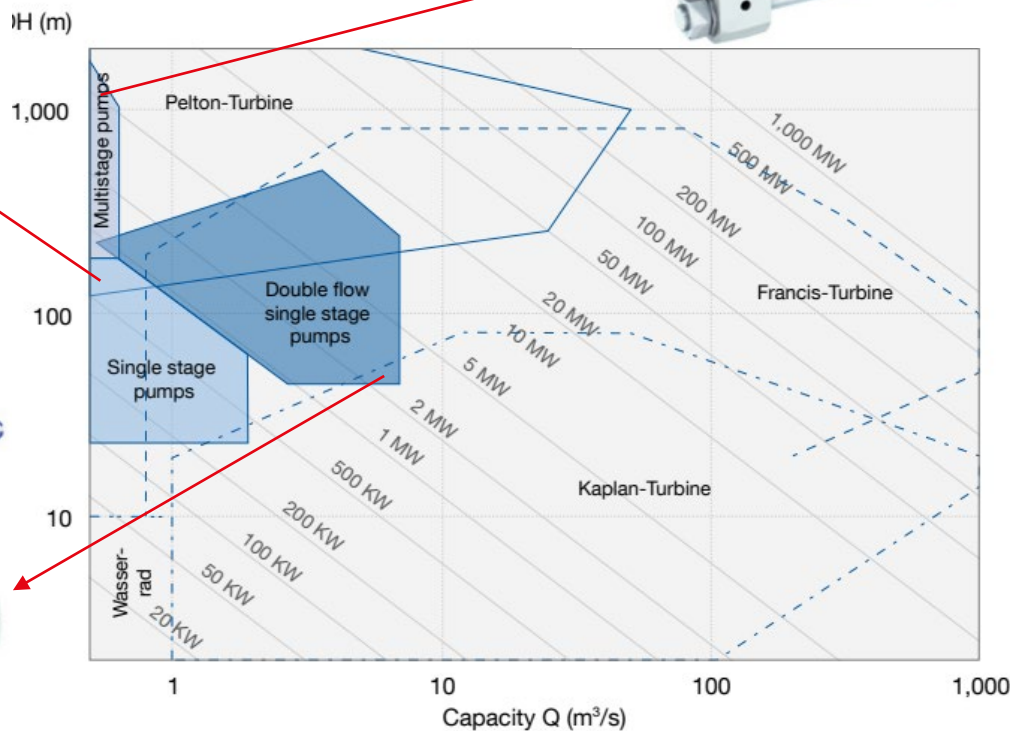
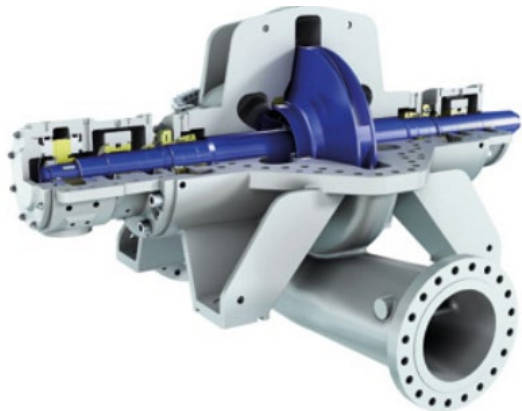
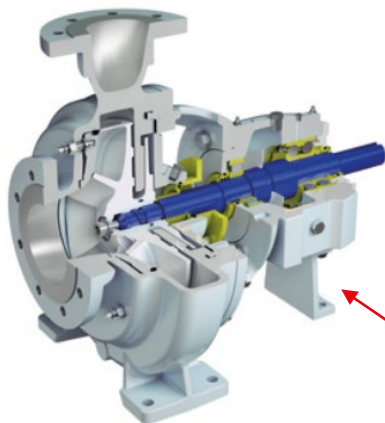
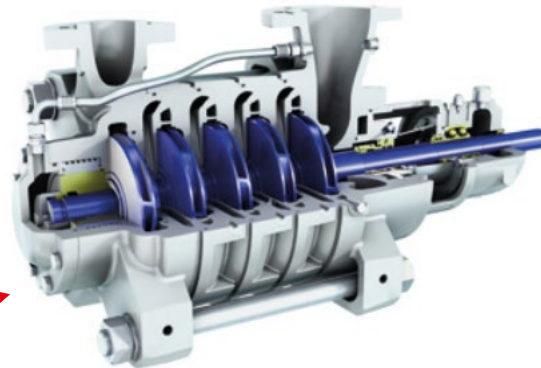
Radial flow pumps as Storage pumps

Pumps for storage applications are mainly of the radial-flow type. Depending on the application conditions the construction, can be a single or double-flow, single- and multi-stages



Centrifugal Pumps

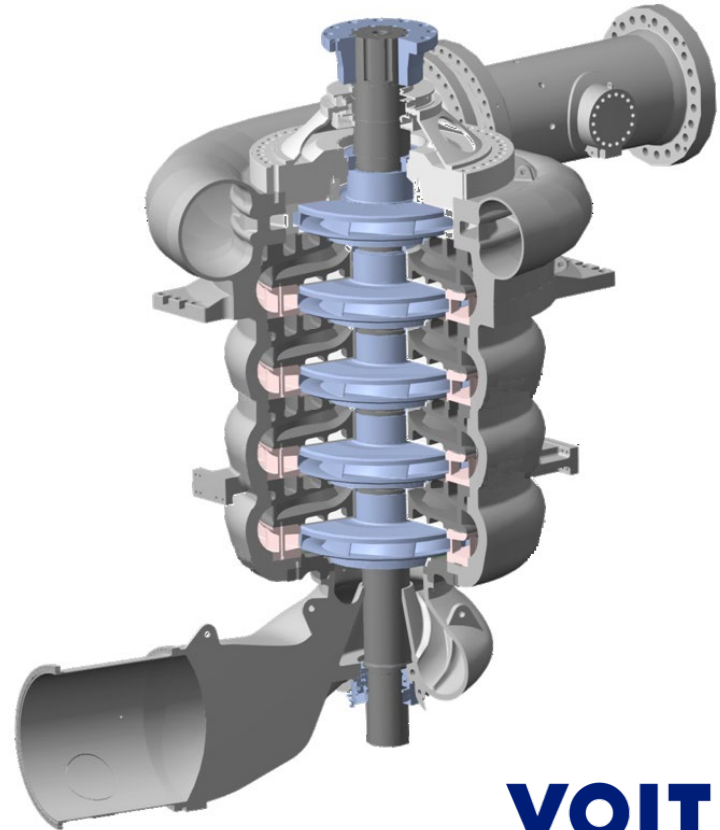
Radial flow pumps as Storage pumps



Centrifugal Pumps as storage pumps

FMHL +, Veytaux II pumped storage plant (Switzerland)

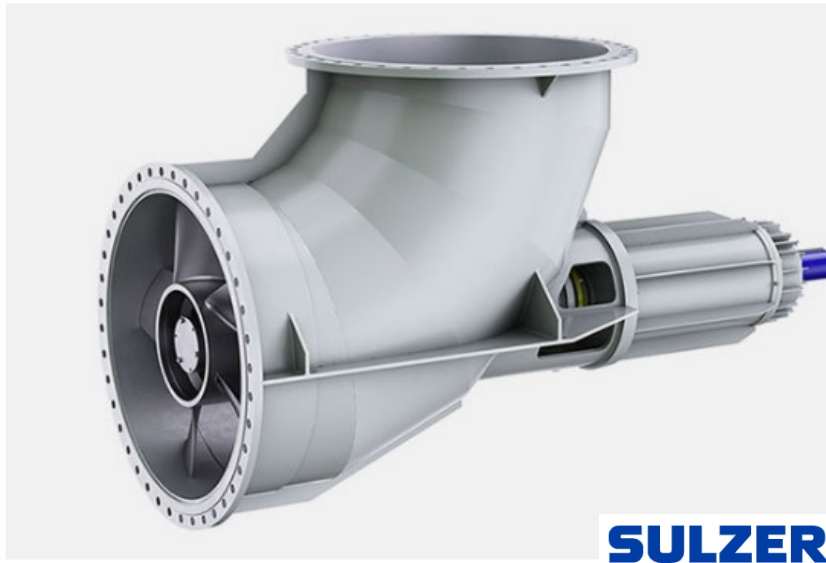
- 2 vertical multistage pumps
- 5 stages radial flow pump
- 120 MW Unit Power

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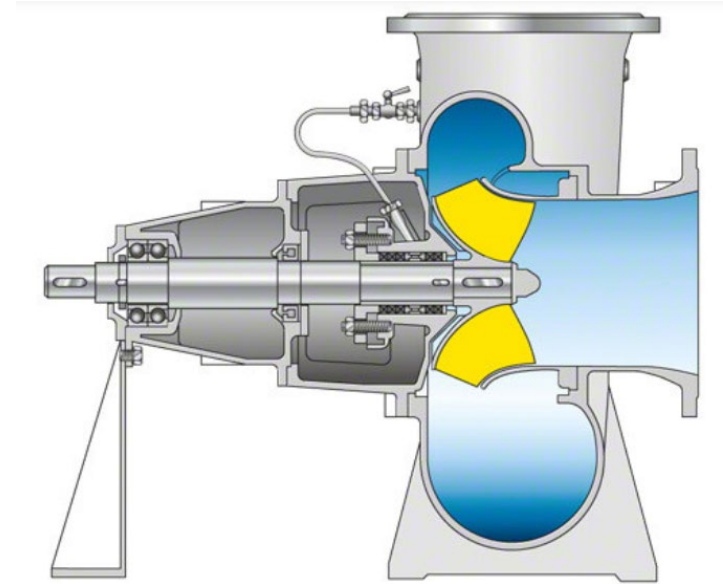
Centrifugal Pumps

Mixed-flow and axial flow pumps

Axial flow pumps



Mixed-flow pumps



Low head pumping applications, typically up to 15m

Small- Medium head pumping applications, typically up to 60m

Industrial Pumps applications

- Power Plants: auxiliaries
- Chemical Industry
- Oil & Gas
- Paper Mills
- Food Processing
- Irrigation
- Water Treatment Plants
- Mining
- Waste and recycling
- Military (aircraft fuel systems, shipboard hydraulic systems, and ground support equipment.)

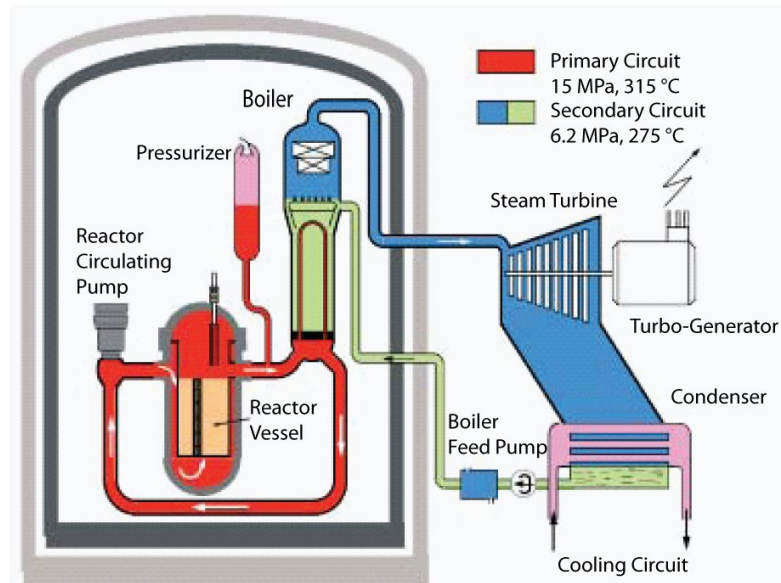


Industrial Pumps applications

Nuclear power plants

Auxiliaries pumps:

- Main Circulating Pumps
- Reactor Cooling Pumps
- Boiler Feed Pumps



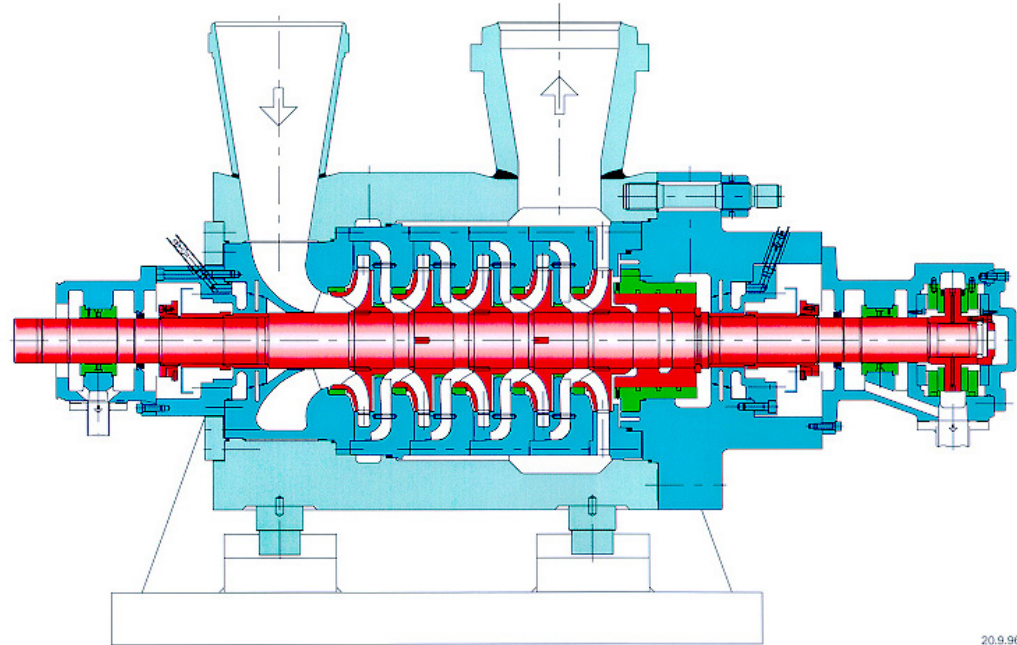
Gösgen, PWR 950 MW

Industrial Pumps applications

Nuclear power plants



**Boiler Feed Pump:
multistage radial pump**



Industrial Pumps applications

Oil & Gas

- Water Injection Pumps
- Sea Water Lift Pumps
- Multiphase Pumps
- Pipeline Pumps
- Fire Fighting Pumps
- Process Pumps
 - High density fluids and solids particles
- Auxiliary Pumps (e.g. cooling or recirculation)



Industrial Pumps applications

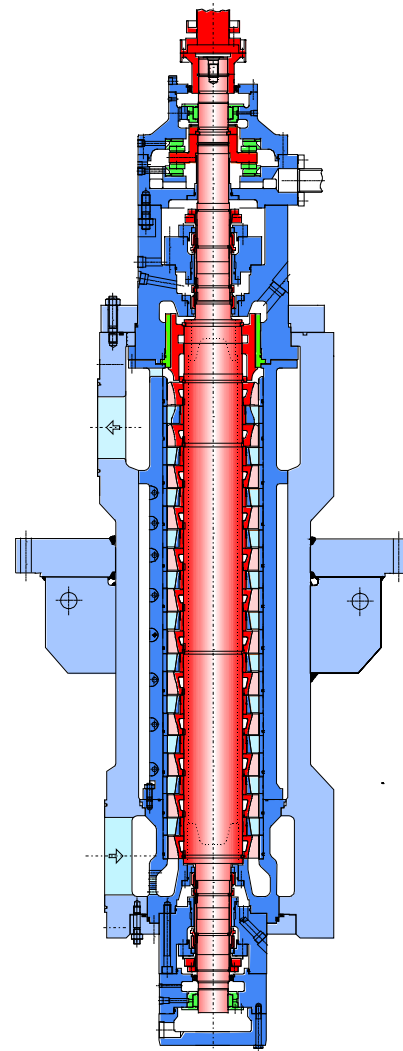
Oil & Gas

Multiphase Pump

- Total volume flow up to 4000 m³/h
- Differential pressure up to 80 bar
- Gas liquid ratio up to 95 %
- Power up to 5000 kW



Installation on Dunbar platform





THANK YOU

**For your kind
attention**