

PUMPS

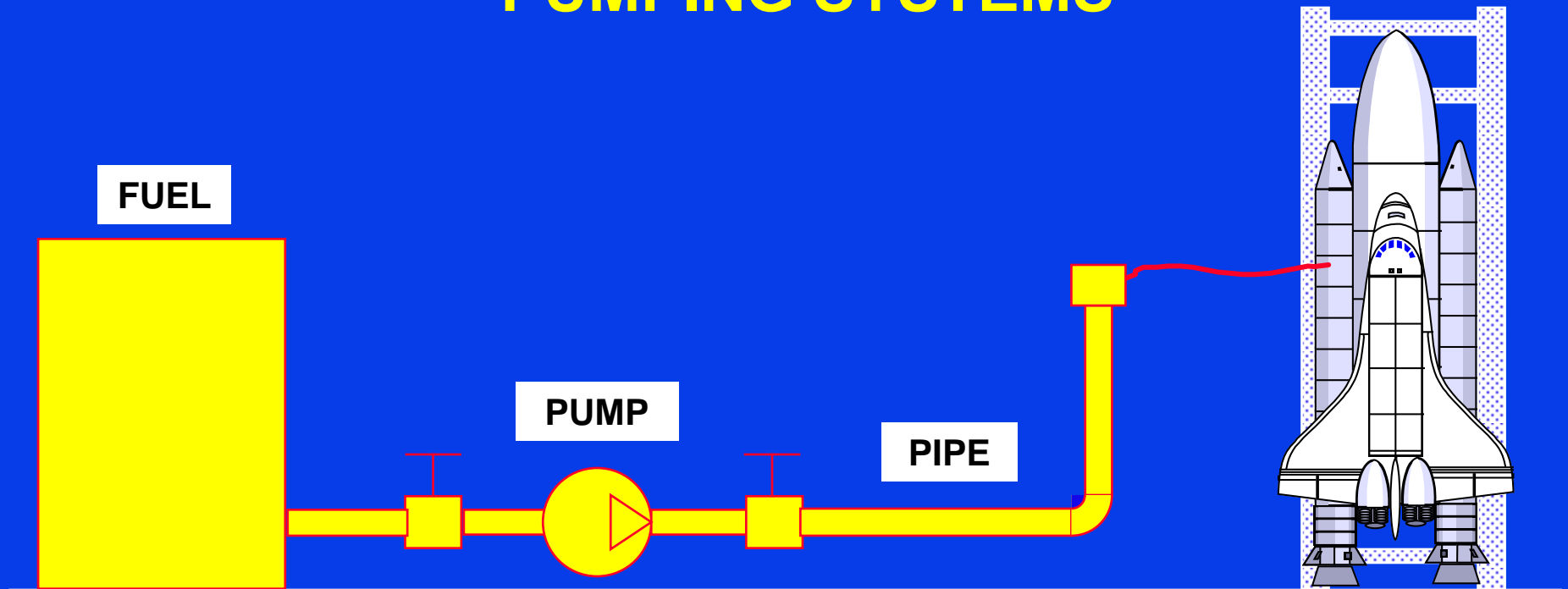
Theory and application



TERMS TO KNOW

- ◆ Pumping System
- ◆ Suction lift
- ◆ Suction head
- ◆ Capacity (Flow Rate)
- ◆ Total Dynamic Head
- ◆ Static Head
- ◆ Dynamic Head
- ◆ System Curve
- ◆ Pump hydraulics
- ◆ Head
- ◆ NPSH

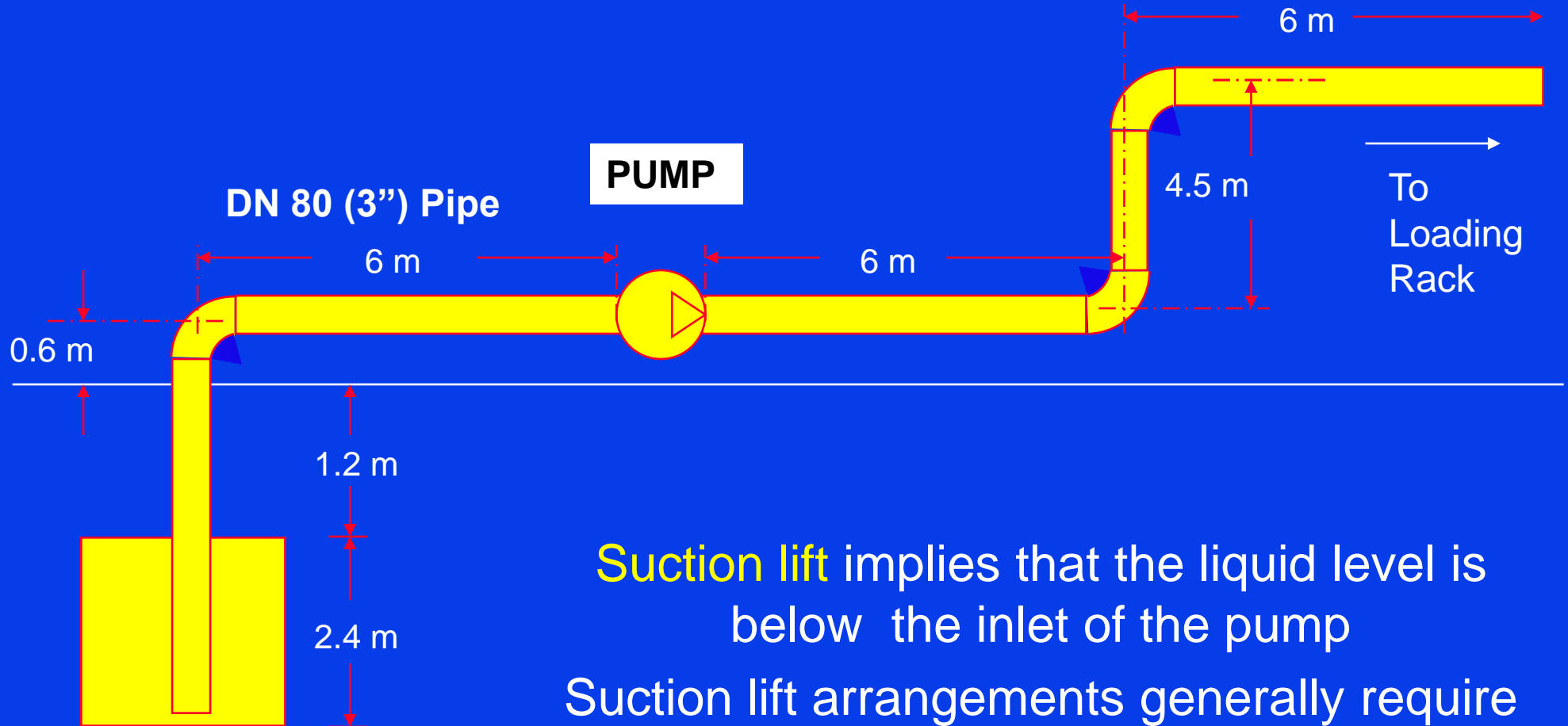
PUMPING SYSTEMS



- ◆ A **pumping system** consists of:
- ◆ all of the piping
- ◆ vessels
- ◆ and other types of equipment (valves, meters, elbows, etc.)
that are ultimately interconnected to form a path for liquid to flow

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“ SUCTION LIFT ”

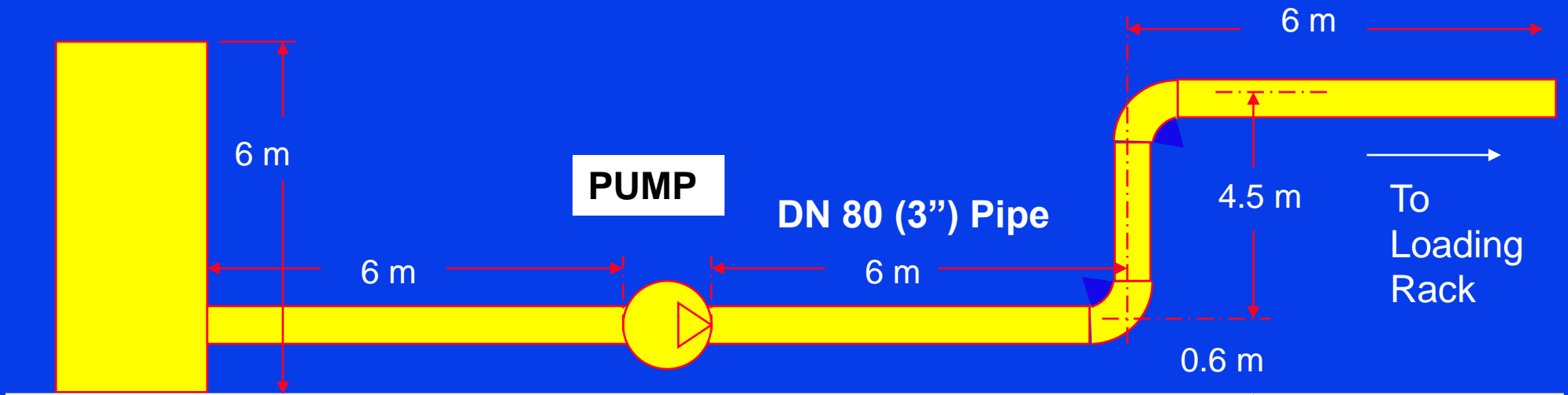


Suction lift implies that the liquid level is below the inlet of the pump

Suction lift arrangements generally require a self-priming pump or manual priming

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“ SUCTION HEAD ”



Suction head implies that the liquid level is above the inlet of the pump

Flooded suction arrangements can use a straight centrifugal pump
Self-priming pumps are often used to handle liquids with high vapor pressures to avoid “vapor lock”

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“ CAPACITY ”

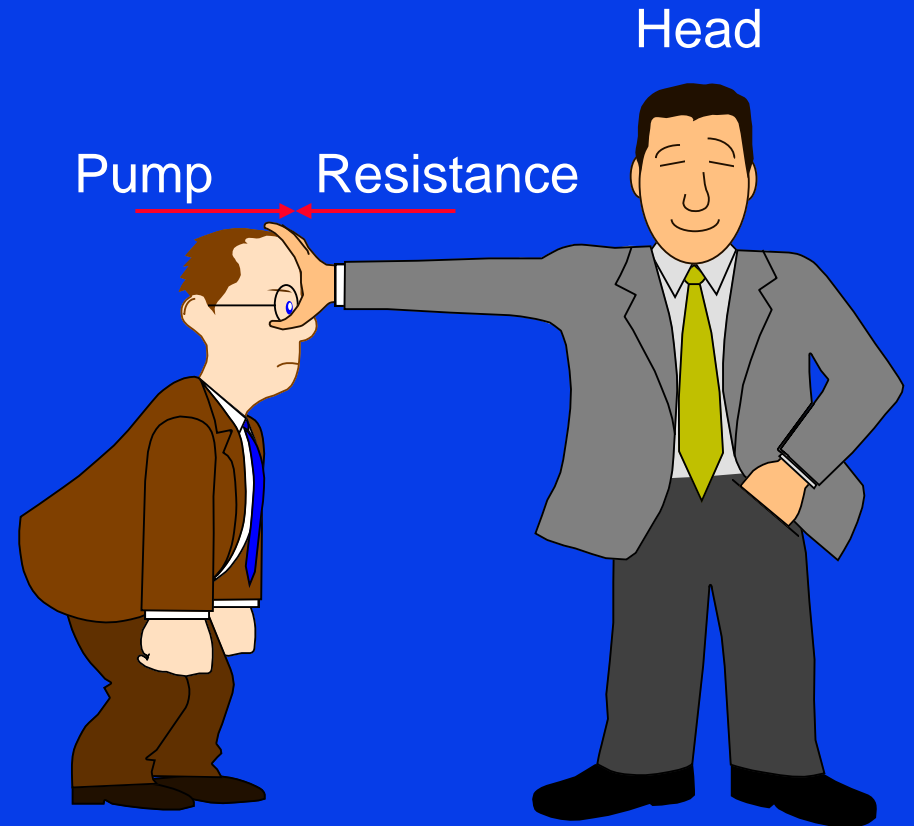
- ◆ The amount of liquid flowing through a pumping system is known as the **capacity** or **flow rate**



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“ TOTAL DYNAMIC HEAD ”

- ◆ A pump must overcome the **resistance** of a pumping system in order to cause a liquid to flow completely through the system
- ◆ Resistance to liquid flow is known as a pumping system's **Head**



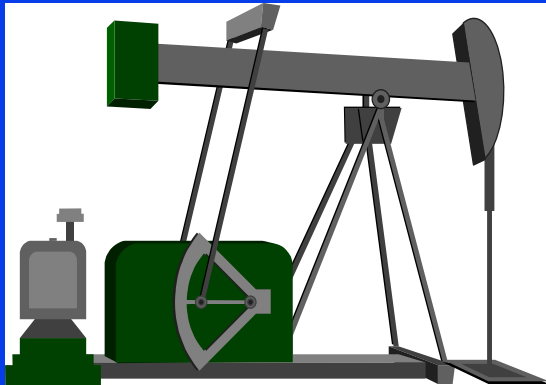
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“ TOTAL DYNAMIC HEAD ”

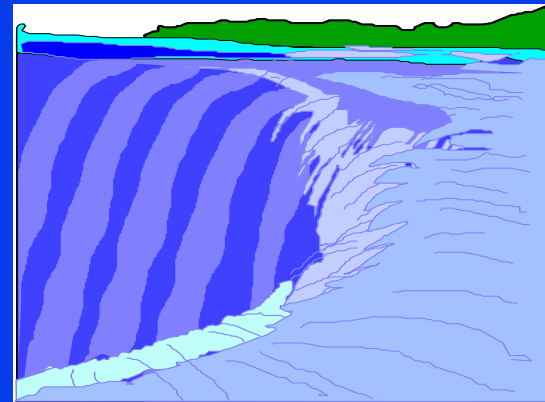
Total Dynamic Head is the sum of two parts:

$$\text{Total Dynamic Head} = \text{Static Head} + \text{Dynamic Head}$$

- ◆ **Static head** represents the resistance of a pumping system before the liquid is set into motion

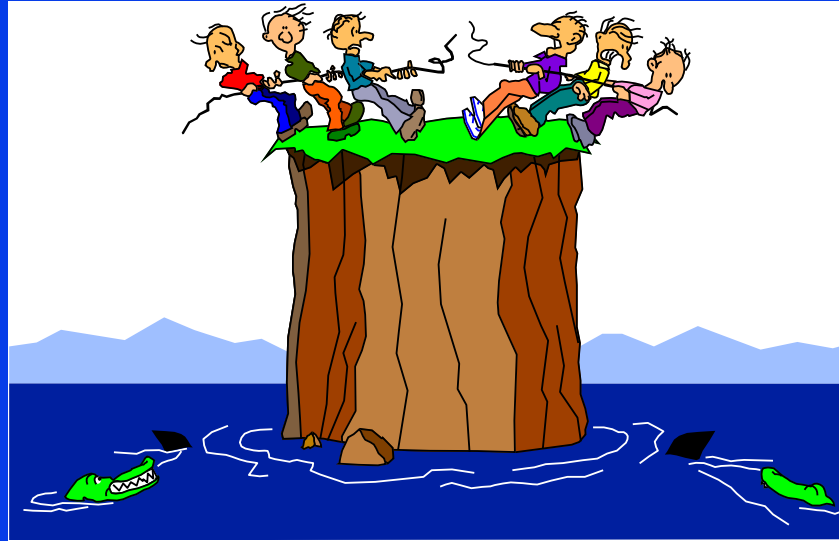


- ◆ **Dynamic head** represents the resistance of a pumping system while the pumped fluid is in motion



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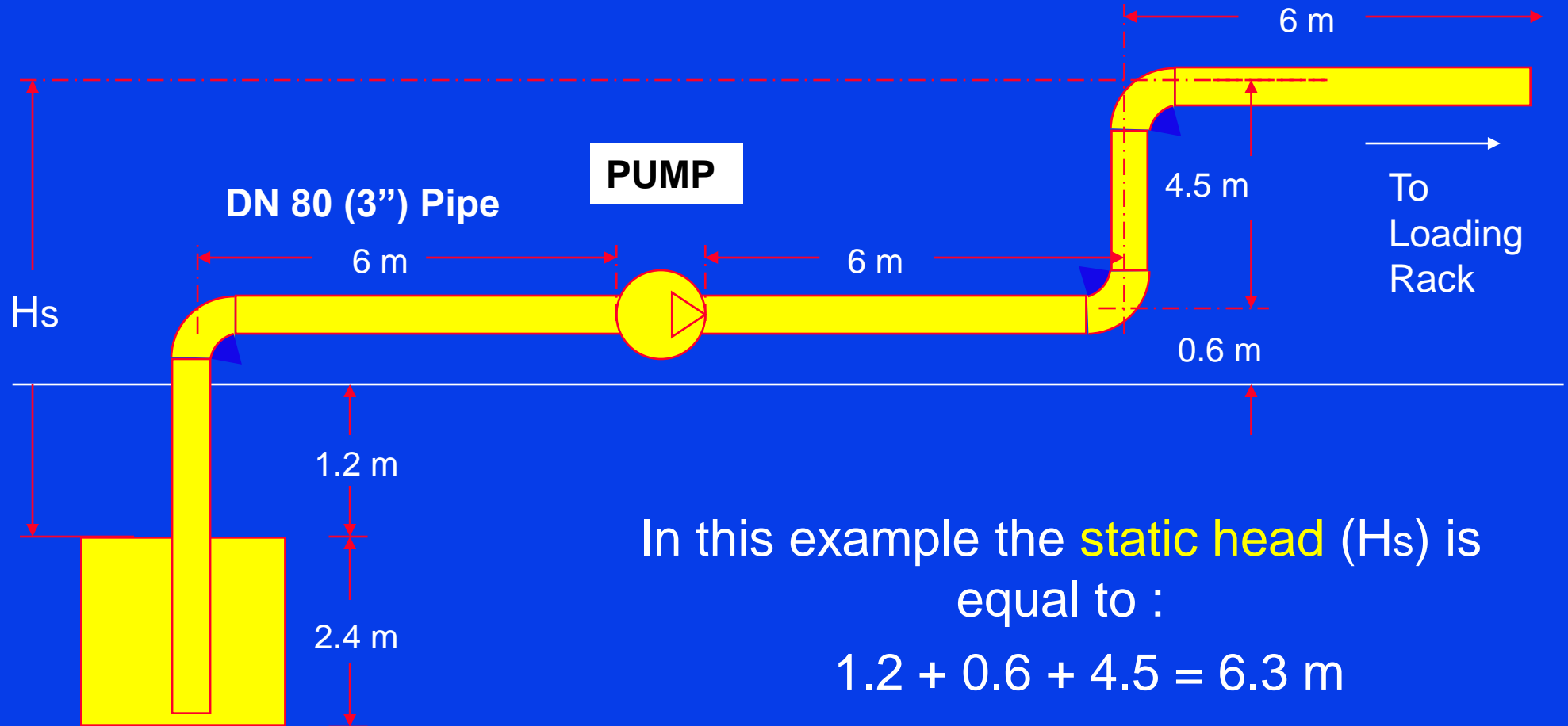
“ STATIC HEAD ”



- ◆ The primary component of **Static head** is the elevation difference between :
 - the surface of the liquid at the point of suction
 - the surface of the liquid at the point of discharge
- ◆ Static head also accounts for the pressure differential between the point of suction and the point of discharge
- ◆ **Static head does not vary with capacity**

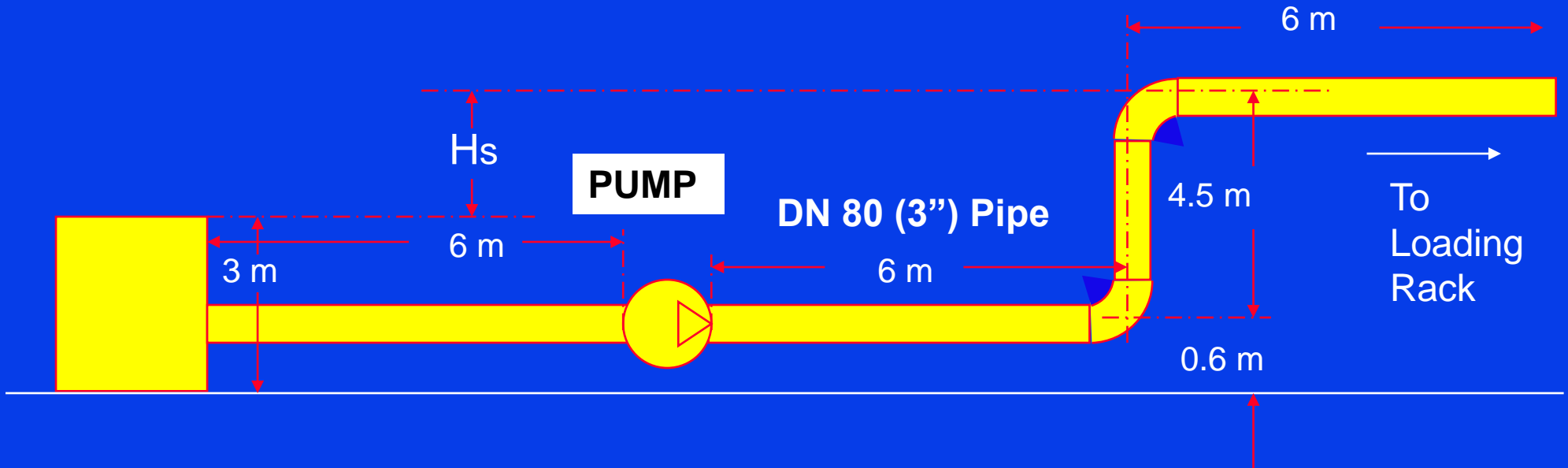
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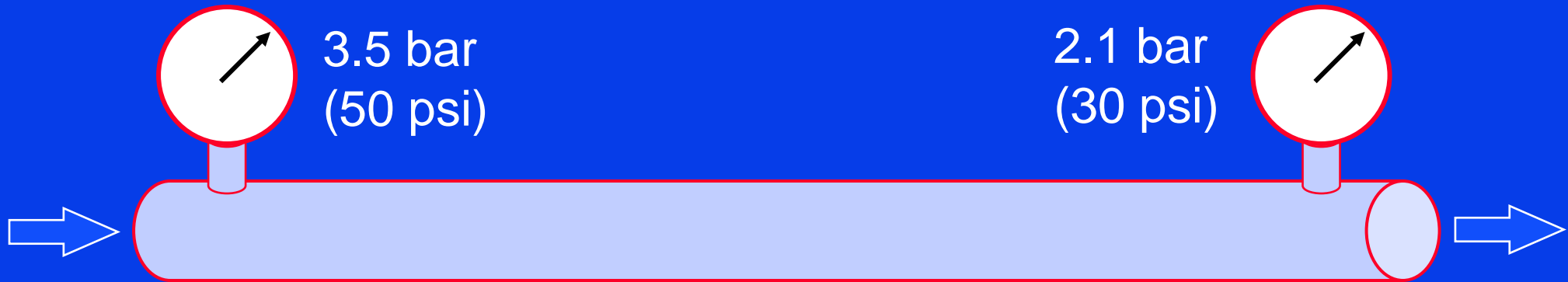


In this example the **static head** (H_s) is equal to :

$$4.5 + 0.6 - 3 = 2.1 \text{ m}$$

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“ DYNAMIC HEAD ”



- ◆ **Dynamic head losses** are those losses that are realized once fluid begins to flow through the pumping system
- ◆ **Dynamic head losses** are a function of capacity

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“ FRICTION HEAD LOSSES ”

- ◆ Every component of a pumping system has associated friction losses
- ◆ Friction loss tables can be obtained from the component manufacturer or various other reference sources
- ◆ Friction losses are a function of capacity and component size

Fittings and valves		diameter in mm (DN)											
		25	32	40	50	65	80	100	125	150	200	250	300
		equivalent length in m											
Elbow	45 °	0,3	0,3	0,6	0,6	0,9	0,9	1,2	1,5	2,1	2,7	3,3	3,9
	90°	0,6	0,9	1,2	1,5	1,8	2,1	3,0	3,6	4,2	5,4	6,6	8,1
	90° long radius	0,6	0,6	0,6	0,9	1,2	1,5	1,8	2,4	2,7	3,9	4,8	5,4
Fittings	Tee	1,5	1,8	2,4	3,0	3,6	4,5	6,0	7,5	9,0	10,5	15,0	18,0
	Cross	1,5	1,8	2,4	3,0	3,6	4,5	6,0	7,5	9,0	10,5	15,0	18,0
Gate valve		-	-	-	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,6	0,6	0,9	1,2	1,5	1,8
Non-return valve		1,5	2,1	2,7	3,3	4,2	4,8	6,6	8,3	10,4	13,5	16,5	19,5

This table considers fittings made in steel (coefficient C = 120) .

If you have different material , multiplied by :

1.38 if cast iron (C = 100)

0.76 if stainless steel or copper (C = 140)

**FITTINGS
AND
VALVES
FRICTION
LOSSES**

Friction losses (for 100 m of new straight cast iron pipes)

Flow		Nominal diameter in mm and inches															
m³/h	l/min		15 1/2"	20 3/4"	25 1"	32 1¼"	40 1½"	50 2"	65 2½"	80 3"	100 4"	125 5"	150 6"	175 7"	200 8"	250 10"	
3	50	V	4.72	2.65	1.7	1.04	0.66	0.42	V = Water speed (m/sec) hr = Friction losses (m/100 m of pipe) Multiply friction losses by : 0,8 for stainless steel pipes 1,25 for slightly rusty steel pipes 1,7 for encrusted pipes (in w hich scales reduce inner diameter) 0,7 for aluminium pipes 0,7 for PVC and PE pipes 1,3 for fiber-cement pipes								
		hr	246	58.2	21.1	5.6	1.75	0.61									
3.6	60	V		3.18	2.04	1.24	0.8	0.51									
		hr		82	30	8	2.48	0.86									
4.2	70	V		3.72	2.38	1.45	0.93	0.59									
		hr		110	40	10.8	3.33	1.14									
4.8	80	V		4.25	2.72	1.66	1.06	0.68									
		hr		141	51.5	13.9	4.3	1.46									
5.4	90	V			3.06	1.87	1.19	0.76		0.45							
		hr			64	17.5	5.4	1.82		0.46							
6	100	V			3.4	2.07	1.33	0.85		0.5							
		hr			79	21.4	6.6	2.22		0.56							
9	150	V				3.11	1.99	1.27		0.75	0.5						
		hr				47	14.2	4.74		1.21	0.43						
12	200	V				4.15	2.65	1.7		1.01	0.66						
		hr				82	24.5	8.1		2.1	0.74						
15	250	V				5.18	3.32	2.12		1.26	0.83	0.53					
		hr				126	37.5	12.3		3.2	1.12	0.36					
18	300	V					3.98	2.55		1.51	1	0.64					
		hr					53	17.3		4.5	1.58	0.51					
24	400	V					5.31	3.4		2.01	1.33	0.85					
		hr					92	29.5		7.8	2.7	0.89					
30	500	V					6.63	4.25	2.51	1.66	1.06	0.68					
		hr					140	44.8	12	4.13	1.36	0.48					
36	600	V						5.1	3.02	1.99	1.27	0.82					
		hr						63	16.9	5.8	1.93	0.68					
42	700	V						5.94	3.52	2.32	1.49	0.95					
		hr						84	22.6	7.8	2.6	0.9					
48	800	V						6.79	4.02	2.65	1.70	1.09	0.75				
		hr						108	29	10	3.35	1.16	0.43				
54	900	V						7.64	4.52	2.99	1.91	1.22	0.85				
		hr						134	36	12.5	4.2	1.45	0.54				
60	1000	V							5.03	3.32	2.12	1.36	0.94				
		hr							44.5	15.2	5.14	1.76	0.66				
90	1500	V							7.54	4.98	3.18	2.04	1.42	1.04			
		hr							96	32.6	11.2	3.77	1.42	0.68			
120	2000	V								6.63	4.25	2.72	1.89	1.39	1.06	0.68	
		hr								56	19.4	6.5	2.43	1.18	0.58	0.16	

V = Water speed (m/sec)
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Multiply friction losses by :
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PIPE FRICTION LOSS

Hazen-William’s formula :

$$p = \frac{6,05 \times Q^{1,85} \times 10^6}{C^{1,85} \times d^{4,87}} \times L$$

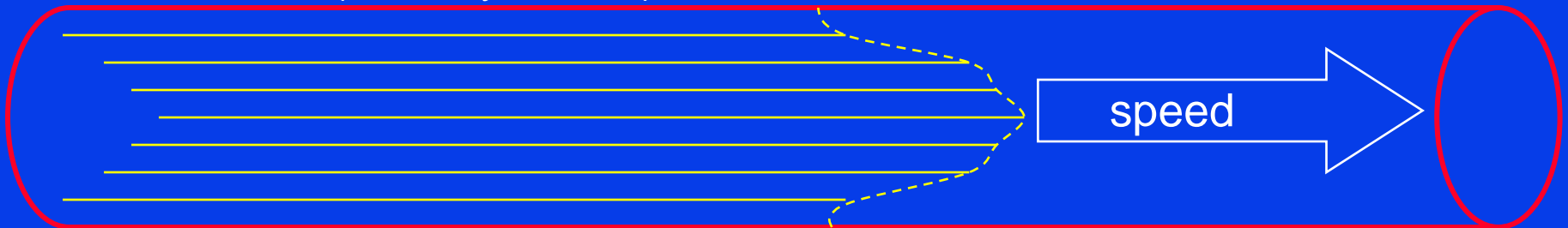
- P = friction loss (meter/1 meter of pipe)
Q = flow (litres/minute)
C = coefficient in according to type of pipe
for cast iron pipes = 100
for steel pipes = 120
for stainless steel and copper pipes = 140
d = inner diameter (mm)
L = pipe lenght (m)

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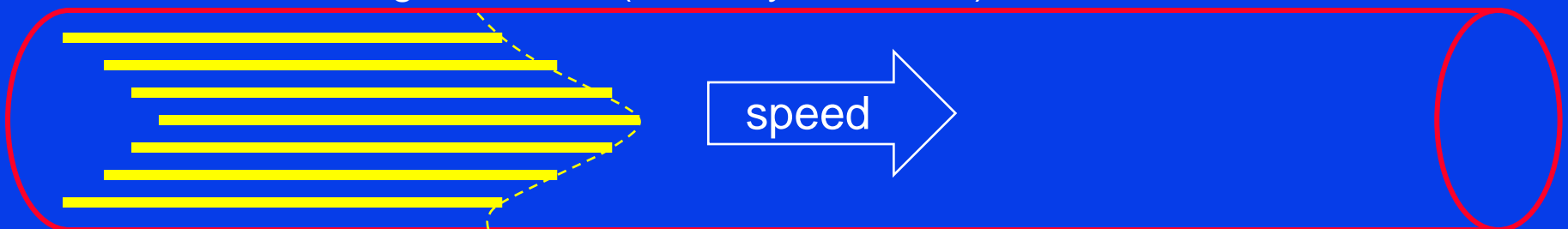
“ FRICTION HEAD LOSSES ”

- ◆ A typical friction loss table for piping illustrates friction losses as a function of capacity, pipe diameter, pipe length and viscosity

Water (viscosity = 1 cSt)

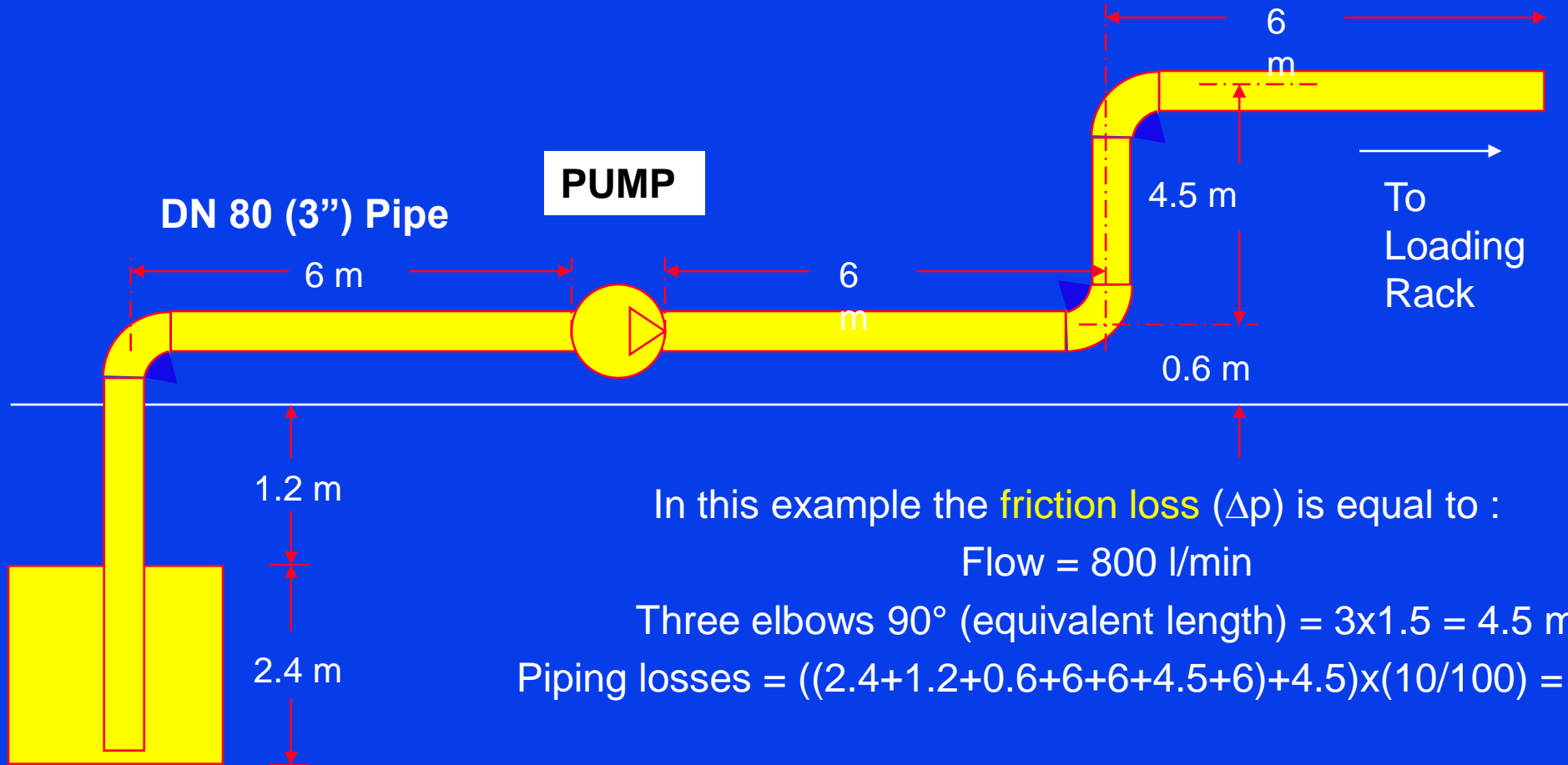


Lubricating oil SAE40 (viscosity = 150 cSt)



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“ FRICTION HEAD LOSSES ”



In this example the **friction loss** (Δp) is equal to :

Flow = 800 l/min

Three elbows 90° (equivalent length) = $3 \times 1.5 = 4.5$ m

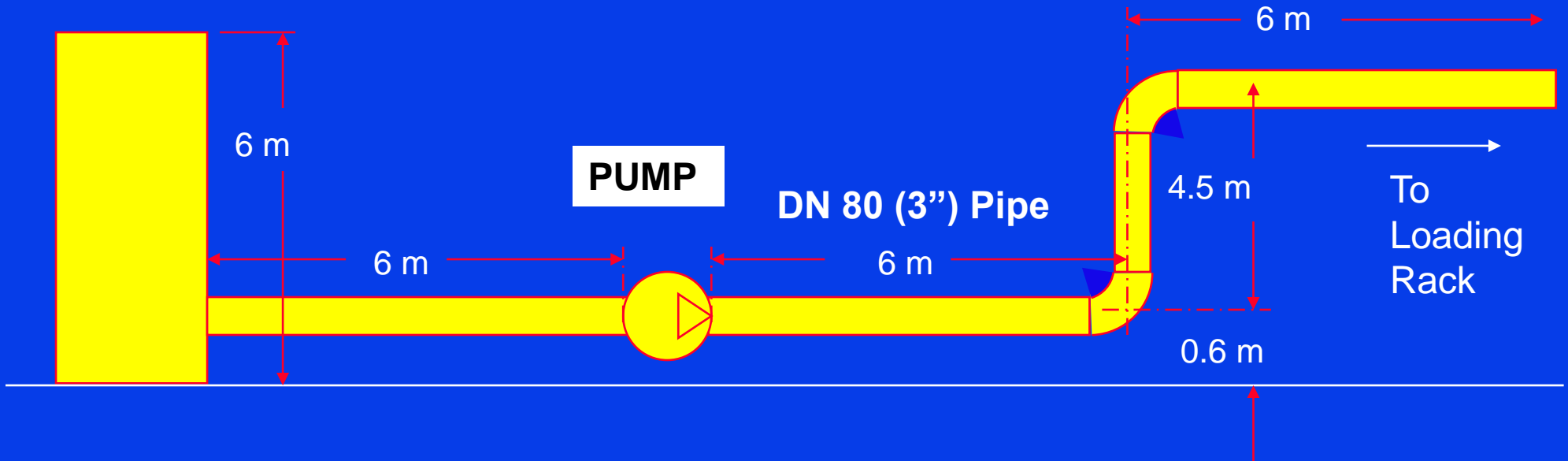
Piping losses = $((2.4 + 1.2 + 0.6 + 6 + 6 + 4.5 + 6) + 4.5) \times (10/100) = 3.12$ m

Loading rack = 2.8 m

Total friction losses = $3.12 + 2.8 = 5.92$ m

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Total friction losses = $2.55 + 2.8 = 5.35$ m

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“ TOTAL DYNAMIC HEAD ”

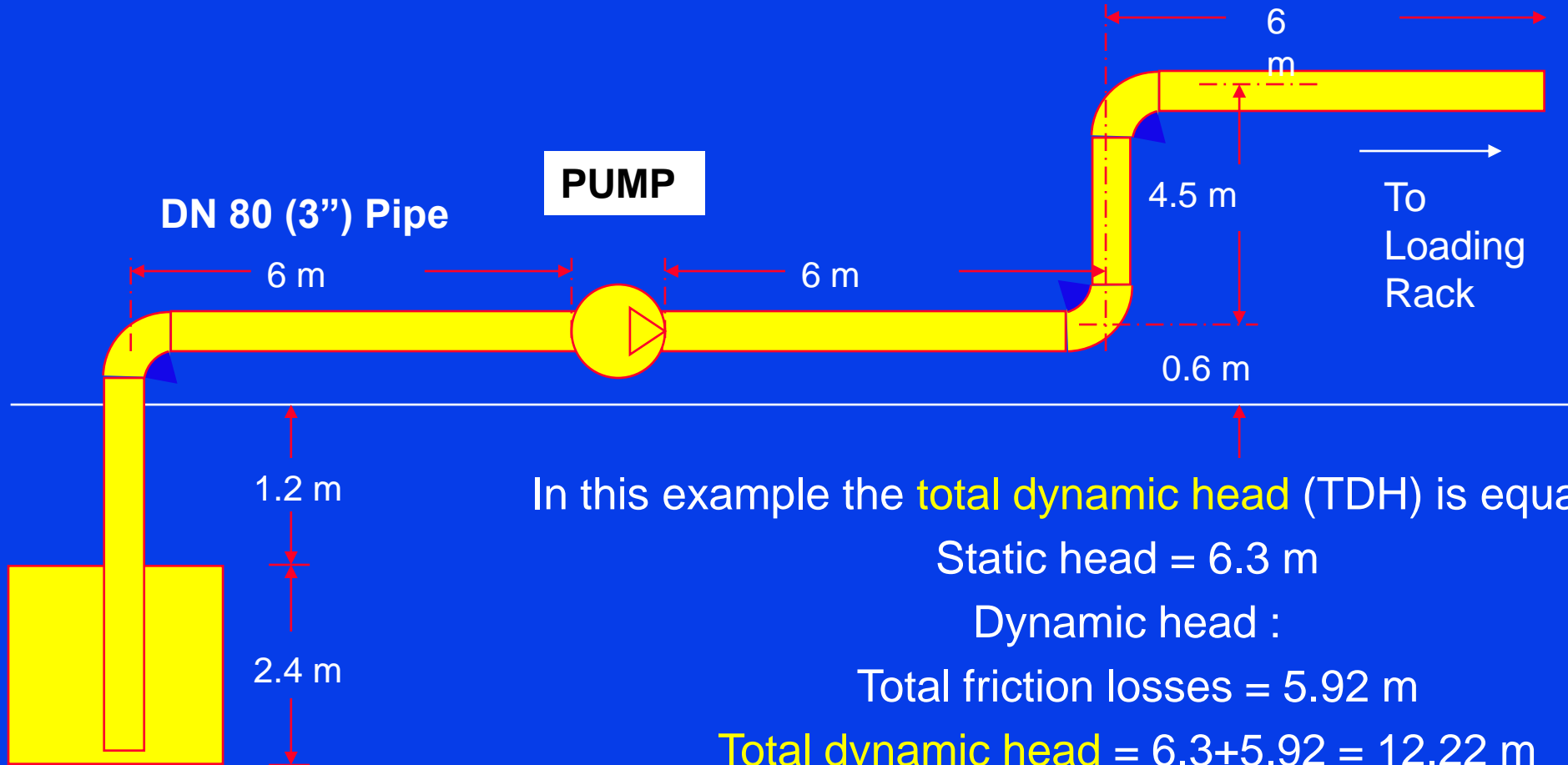
- ◆ The pumping system's **total dynamic head** is simply the **sum** of the system's static head and dynamic head

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Static Head} \\ + \\ \text{Dynamic Head} \\ = \\ \text{Total Dynamic Head} \end{array}$$



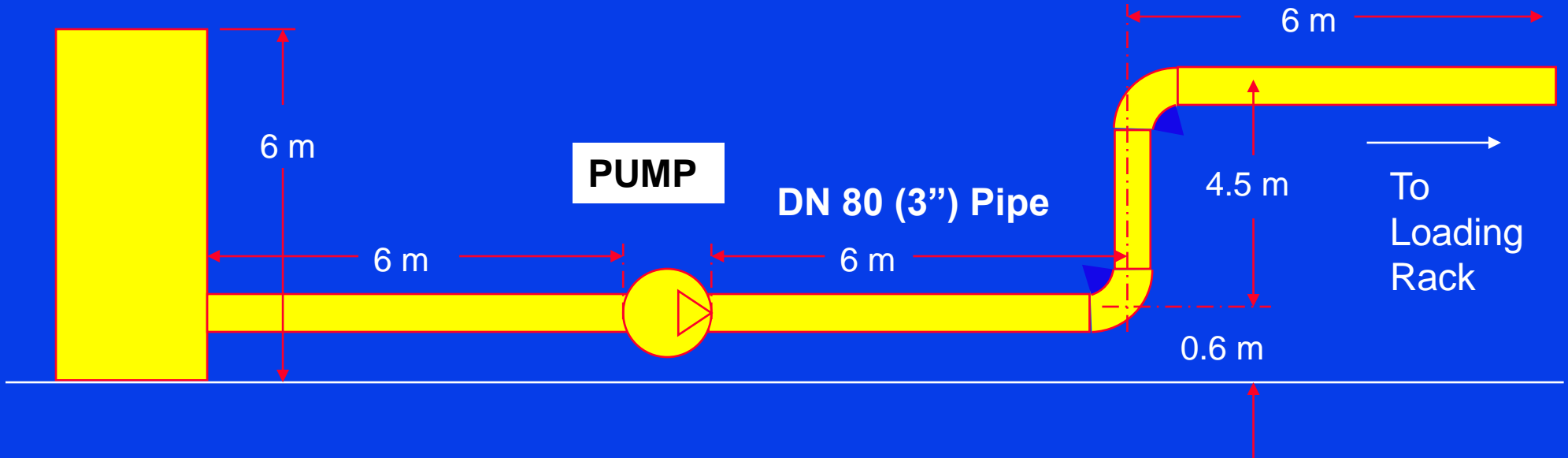
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“ TOTAL DYNAMIC HEAD ”



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In this example the **total dynamic head** (TDH) is equal to :

Static head = -0.9 m

Dynamic head :

Total friction losses = 5.35 m

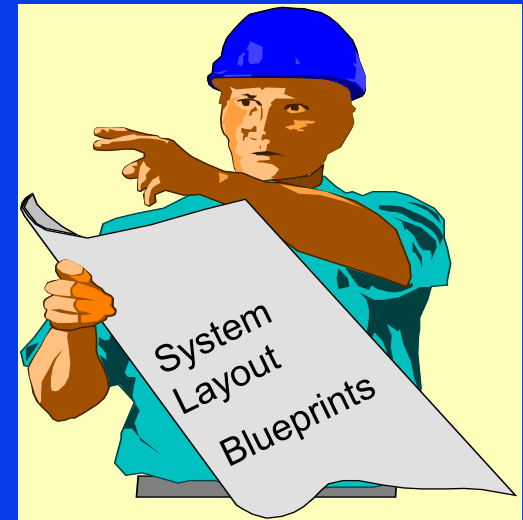
Total dynamic head = $-0.9 + 5.35 = 4.45$ m

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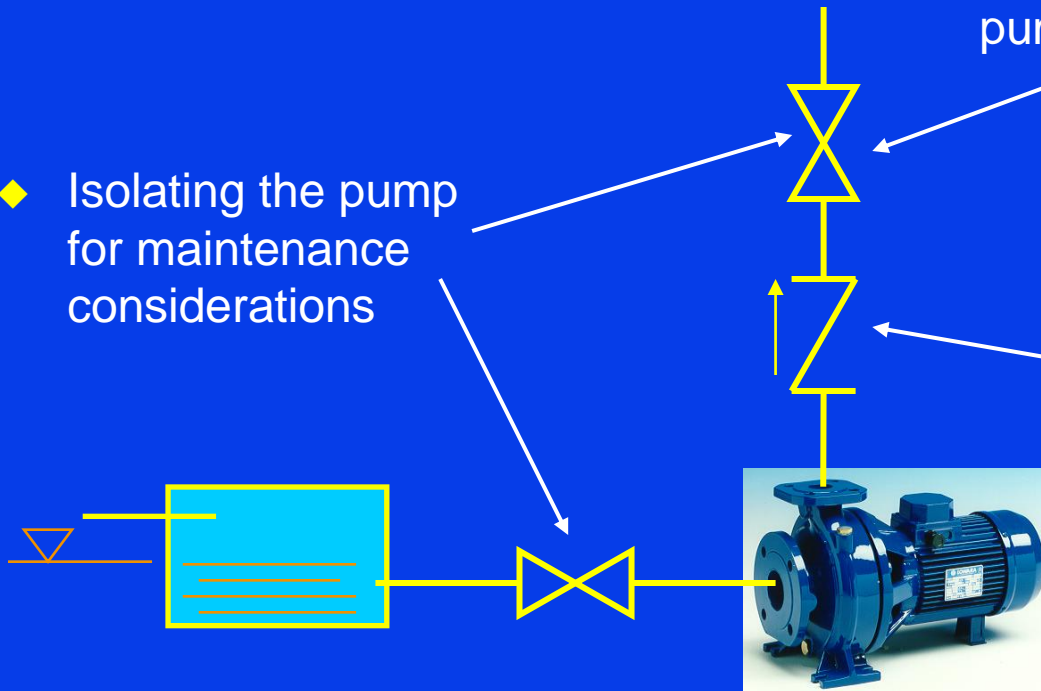
“ MENTAL NOTE ”

- ◆ It is a good system design practice to include suction and discharge valves in a pumping system.

- ◆ Using the discharge valve as a throttling valve to control the pump



- ◆ Isolating the pump for maintenance considerations

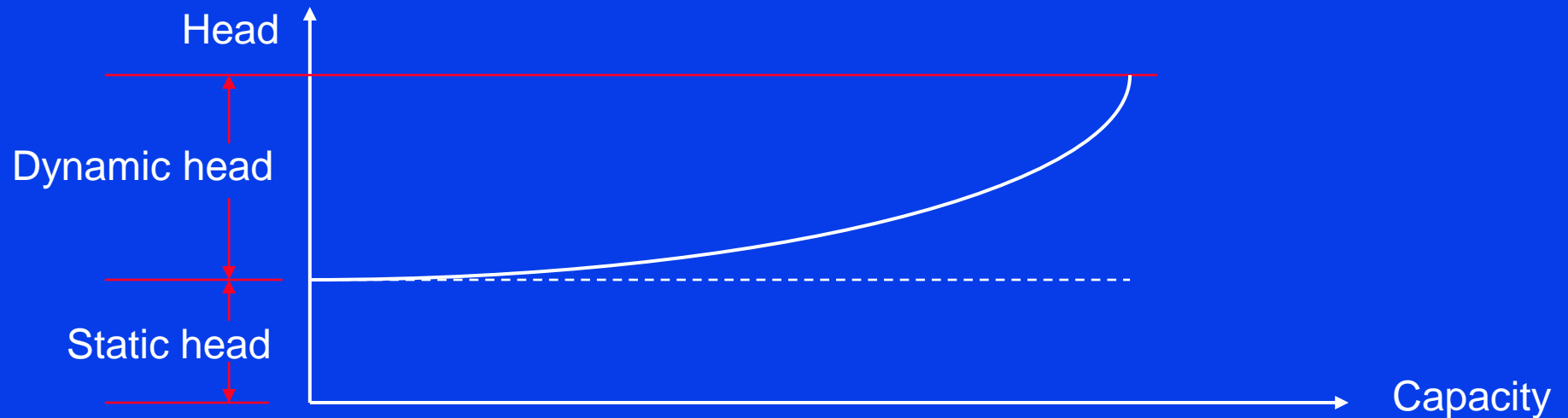


- ◆ A check valve may also be required in high discharge head applications (to prevent water flowing back through the pump)

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“ SYSTEM CURVE ”

A System Curve is a graphical representation of the resistance behaviour (TDH) of a piping system over it's entire capacity range



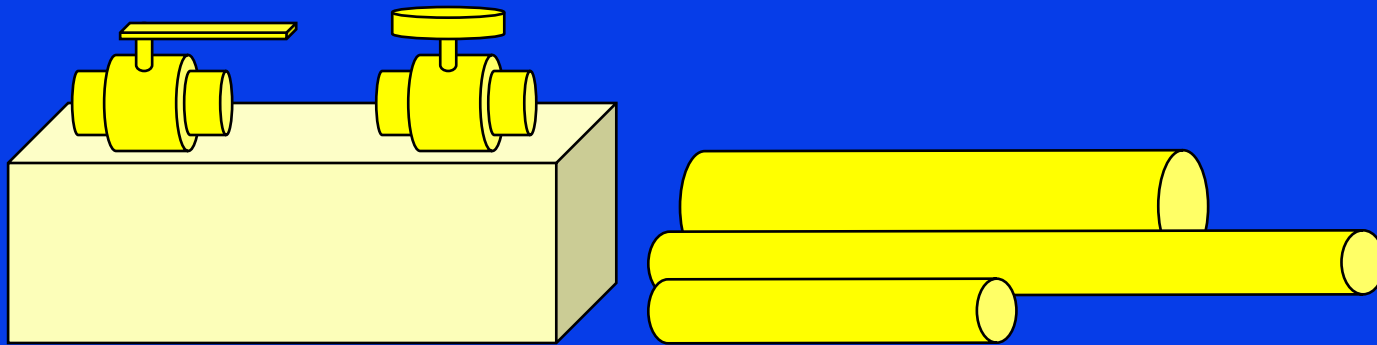
◆ A system curve shows:

- the static head component (which is constant over the entire capacity range)
- the dynamic head component (which increases with capacity)

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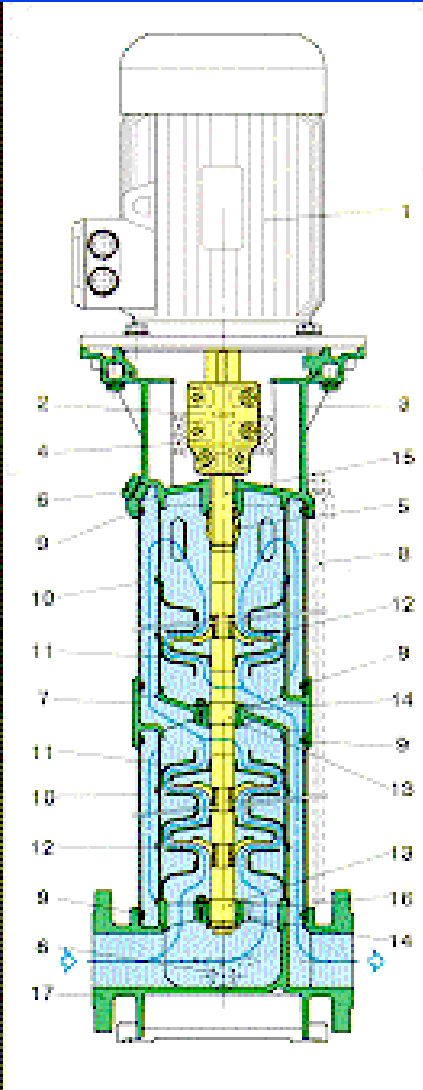
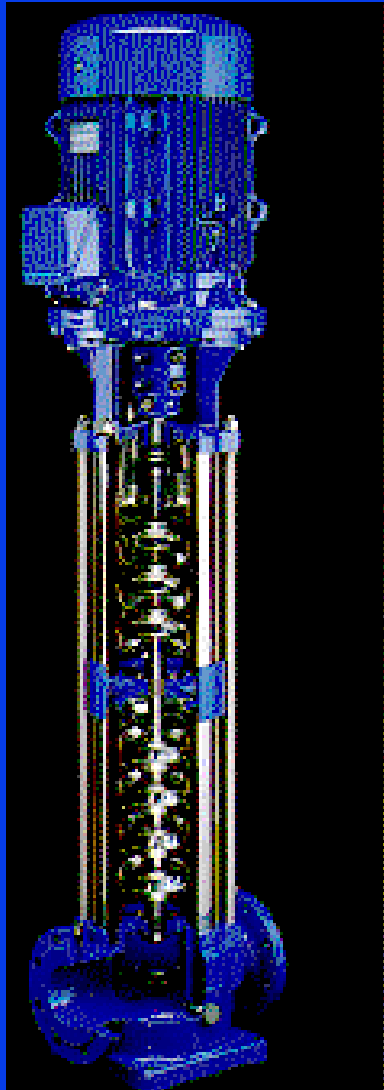
“ SYSTEM CURVE ”

The system designer can change the shape of the System curve by altering the size of piping, type of equipment, and physical layout of the pumping system



The end user can change the shape of the System curve by opening or closing system valves, changing equipment or piping layouts, and varying the liquid levels in the suction or discharge tanks

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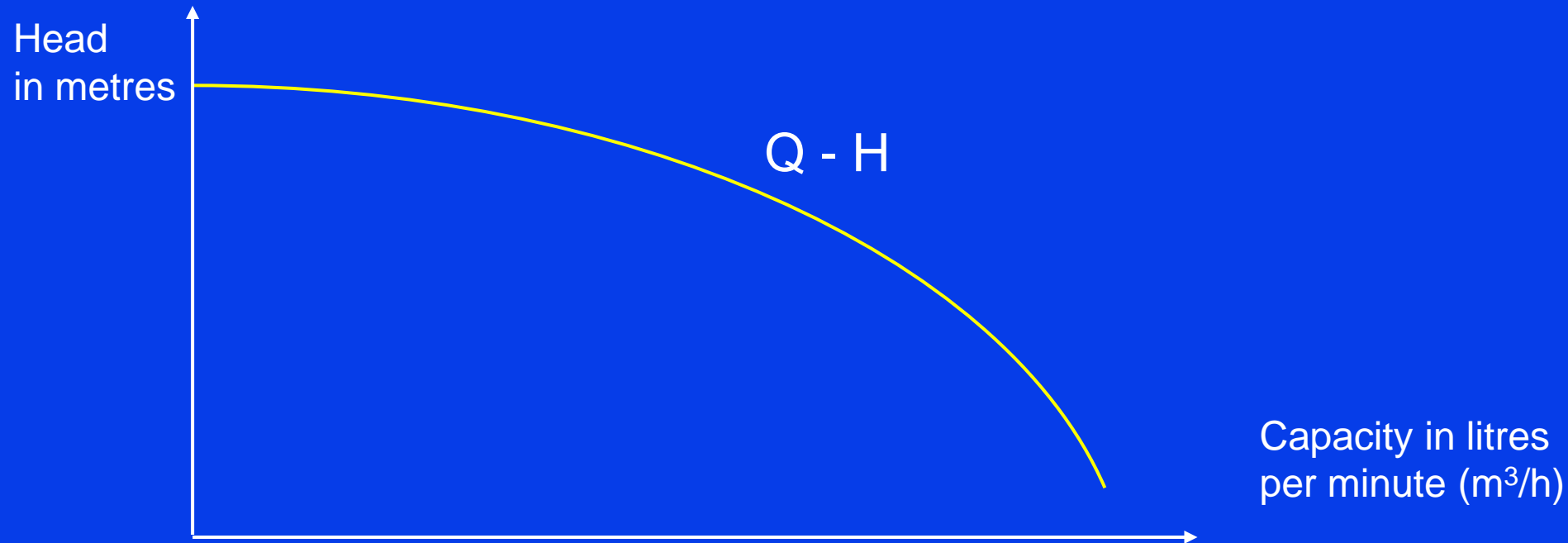


Now we know
the pump



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“ CENTRIFUGAL PUMP CURVE ”

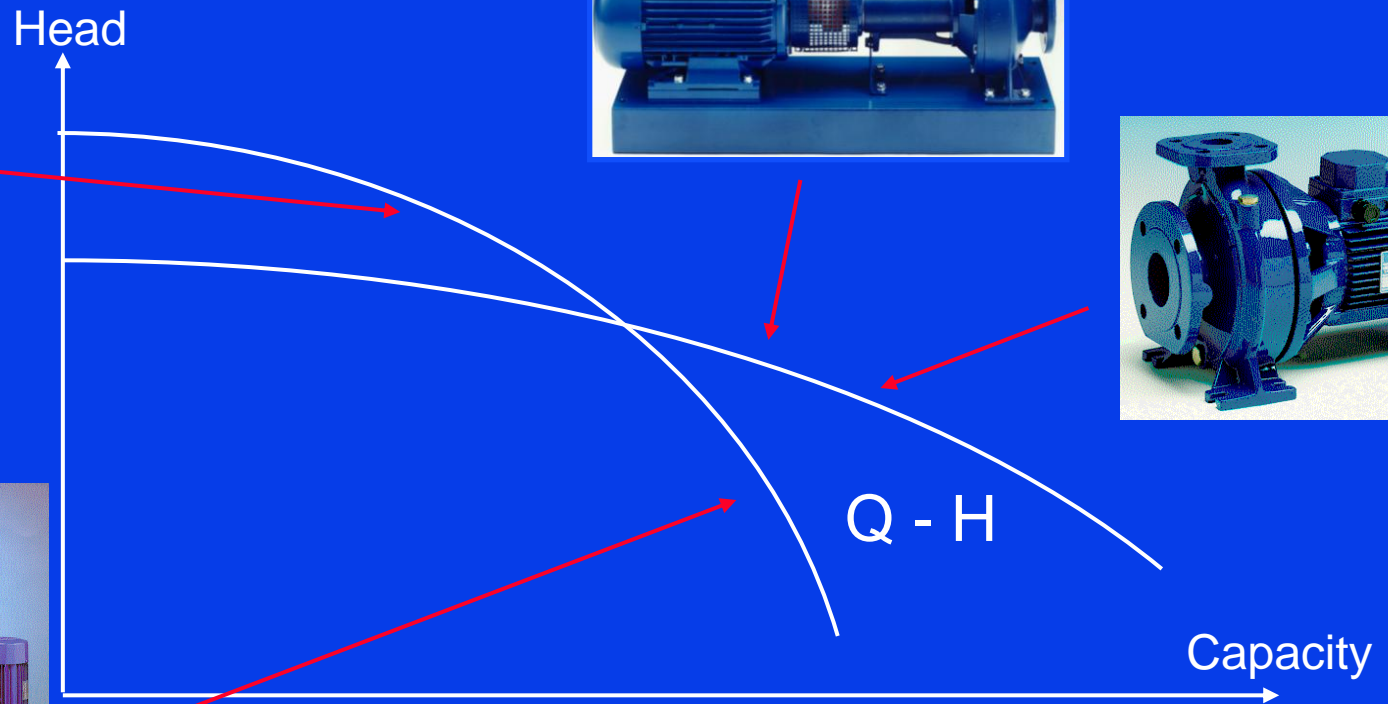
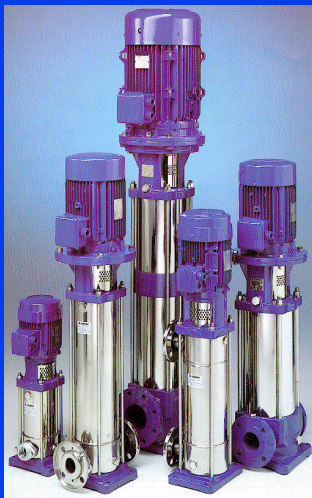
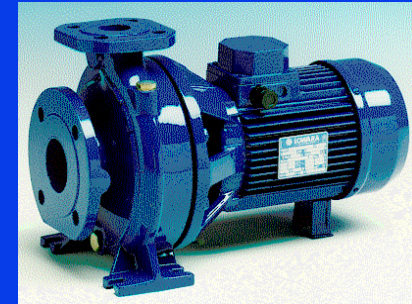
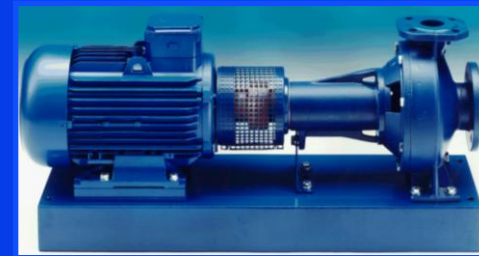


The performance of a centrifugal pump is graphically represented on a head-capacity curve

The shape of a Head-Capacity curve is a function of the size and design of the pump, the impeller diameter, and the speed of operation

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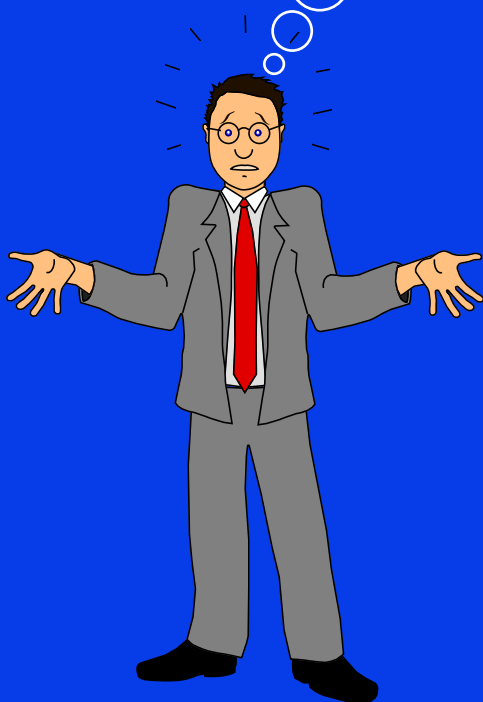
“ CENTRIFUGAL PUMP CURVE ”



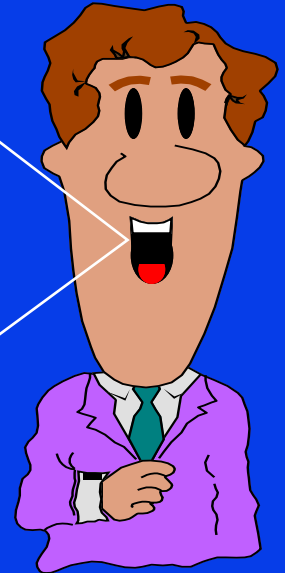
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“ CENTRIFUGAL PUMP CURVE ”

Why are pump curves given in terms of “metres of head” instead of kPa (PSI)?



- ◆ A given pump will generate the same “metres of head” regardless of the liquid being pumped but...
- ◆ ...the discharge pressure will vary with the specific gravity of the liquid!
- ◆ Centrifugal pumps develop **head - not pressure!**

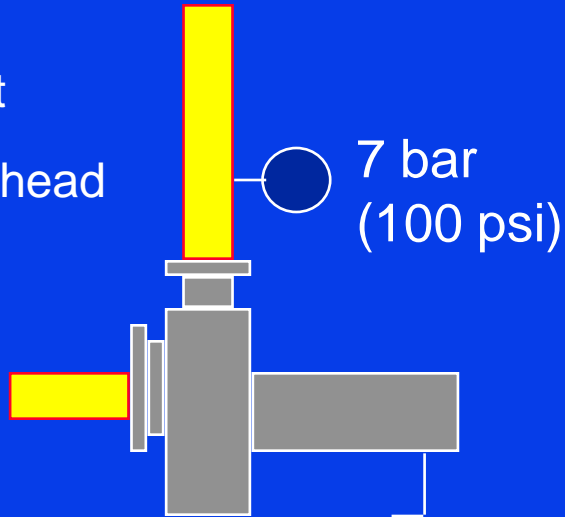


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“ HEAD - PRESSURE ”

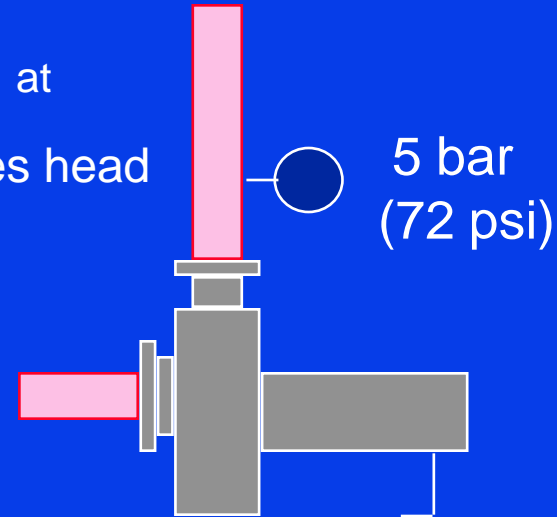
Water at

70 metres head



Petrol at

70 metres head

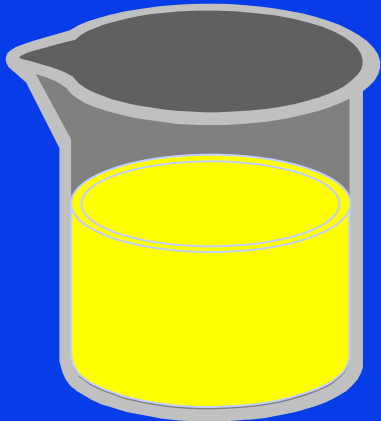


Two identical pumps operating in identical systems will develop the **same “head”** but...

discharge gauges will give **different** readings if the specific gravity of the liquids being pumped is different

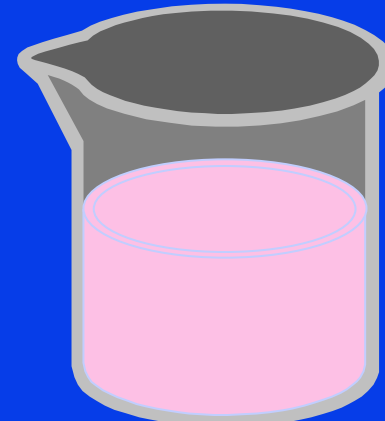
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“ SPECIFIC GRAVITY ”



Water

= 1 Kg/litre (8.33 lbs/gal)



Petrol

= 0.72 Kg/litre (6.0 lbs/gal)

- ◆ Specific gravity is the ratio of the weight of a liquid to its volume
- ◆ Relative specific gravity is the ratio of the weight of a liquid to the weight of water
- ◆ The relative specific gravity of gasoline is $0.72 / 1 = 0.72$

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“ SPECIFIC GRAVITY ”

◆ Is very important because :

It affects the absorbed power (brake horsepower) requirements of the pump

absorbed power by pump = capacity x head x specific gravity ÷ efficiency

All pressure information is converted to “metres of head “ by using the specific gravity of the liquid being pumped

More on this later...Now back to our show!

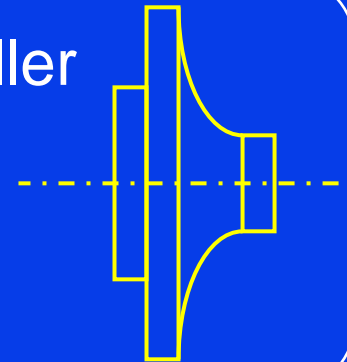
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“ CENTRIFUGAL PUMP CURVE ”

◆ The H-Q curve for a particular pump is a function of :

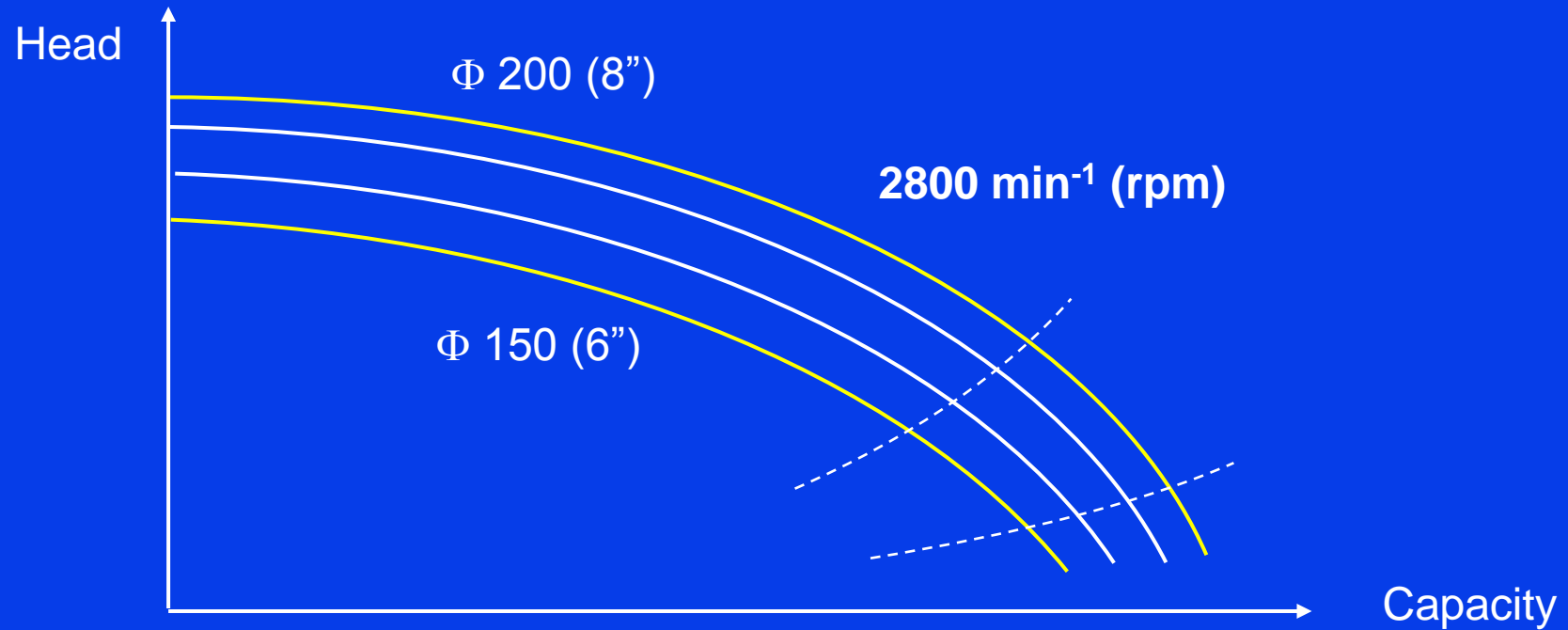
◆ And the speed of operation

◆ The impeller diameter



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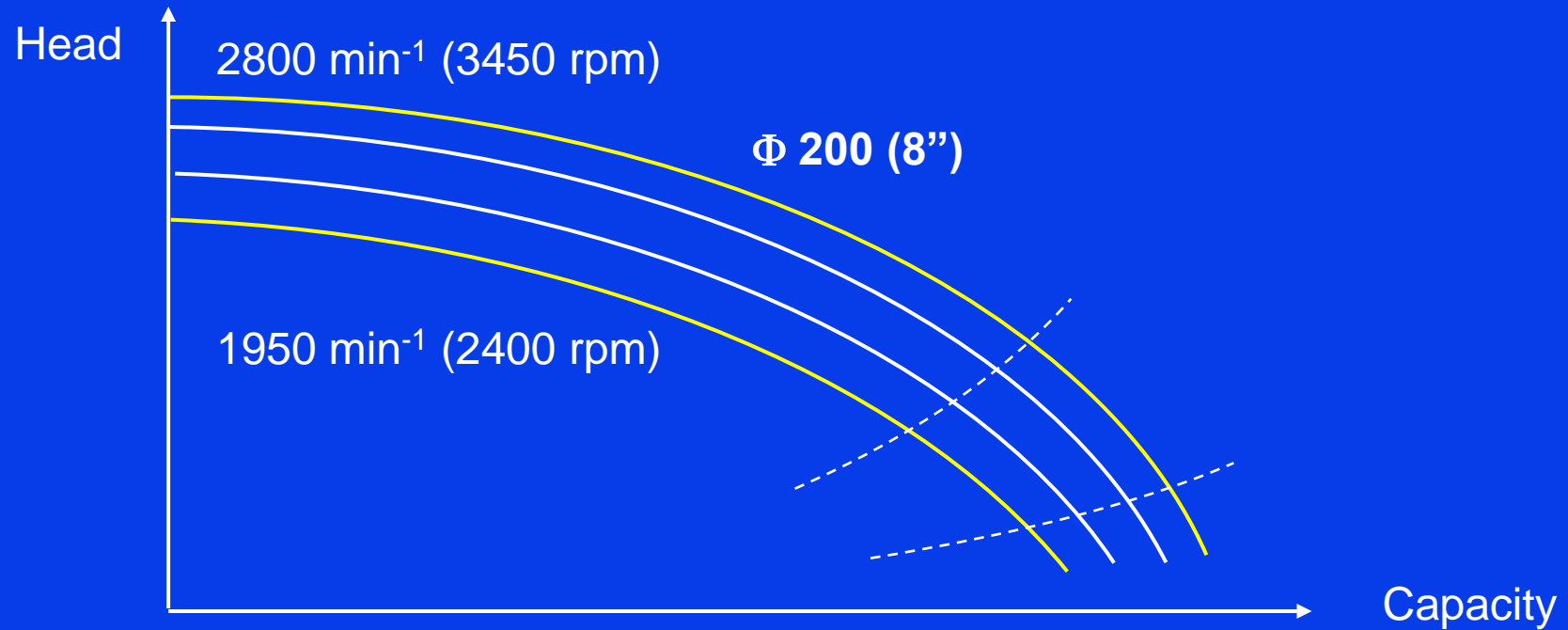
Holding speed constant, the H-Q curve for any given pump can be shifted by varying the impeller diameter

Affinity laws :

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{capacity} & Q_1 / Q_2 = d_1 / d_2 \\ \text{head} & H_1 / H_2 = (d_1 / d_2)^2 \end{array}$$

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“ CENTRIFUGAL PUMP CURVE ”



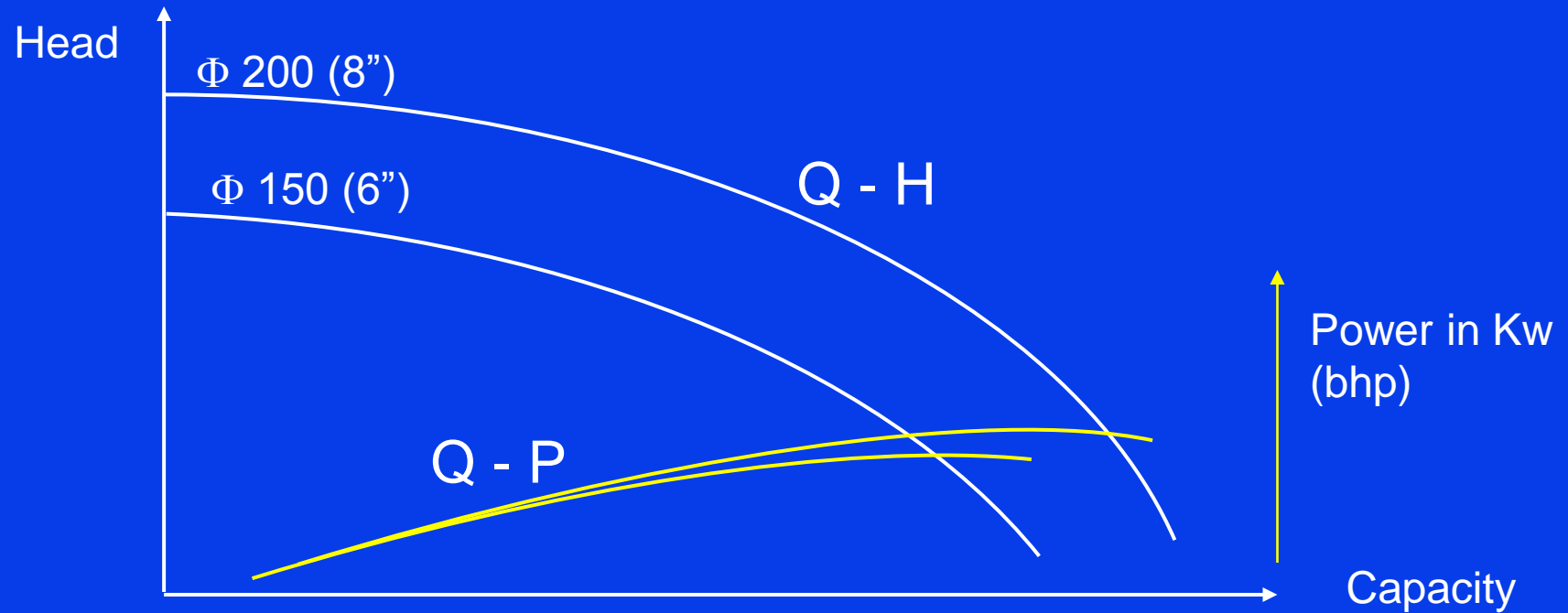
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“ CENTRIFUGAL PUMP CURVE ”



Pump curves typically show the “**absorbed power**” (brake horsepower) required to operate the pump at various points along its Head-Capacity curve

The absorbed power shown on the curve is based on pumping water (specific gravity = 1.0)

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“ CENTRIFUGAL PUMP CURVE ”

The actual absorbed power must be corrected for specific gravity

Absorbed power Correction

Simply multiply the absorbed power shown on the curve by the specific gravity of the liquid being pumped

For example, if it takes 4 Kw (5.5 Hp) to pump water it will take
 $4 \times 0.72 = 2.9 \text{ Kw (4 Hp)}$
to pump the same amount of petrol at the given head

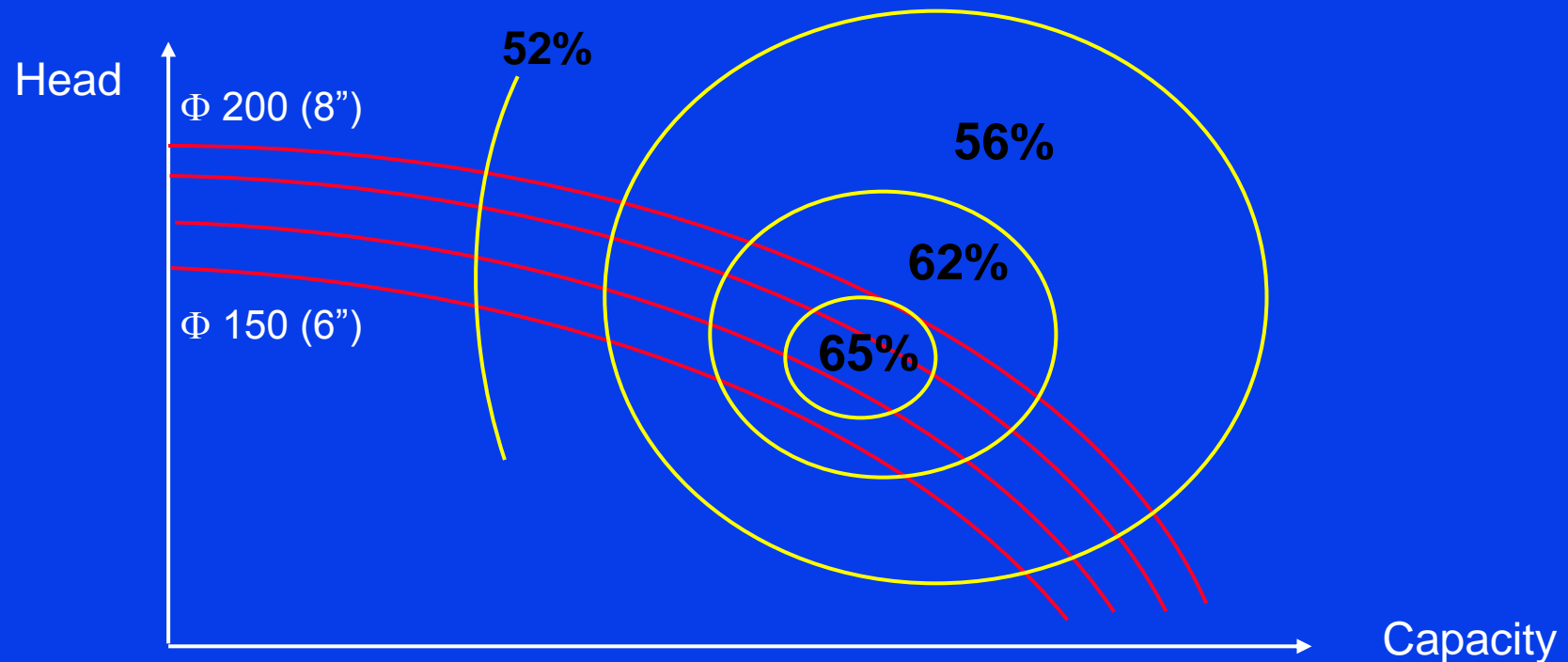
$$P \text{ (Hp)} = \frac{\text{Capacity (l/s)} \times \text{Head (m)} \times \text{Specific gravity (t/m}^3\text{)}}{75 \times \text{Efficiency}}$$

$$P \text{ (Kw)} = \frac{\text{Capacity (l/s)} \times \text{Head (m)} \times \text{Specific gravity (t/m}^3\text{)}}{102 \times \text{Efficiency}}$$

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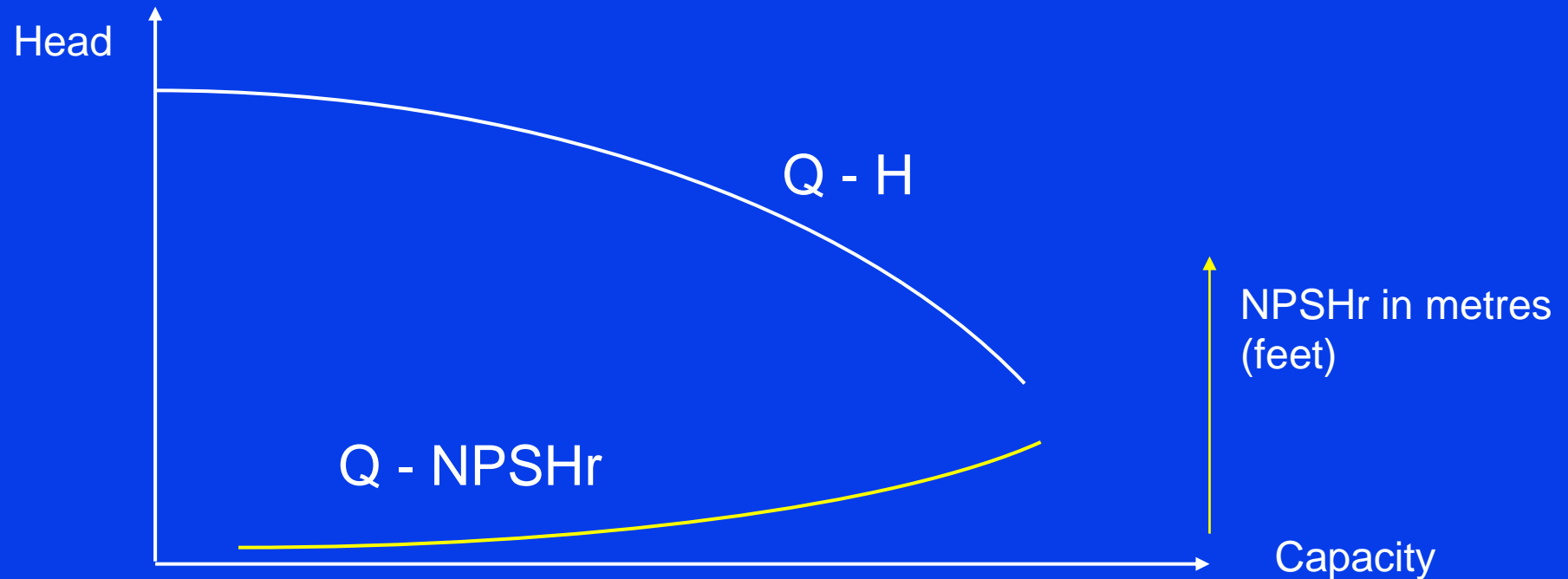
Centrifugal pump curves typically show hydraulic efficiency points



The best efficiency point (**BEP**) is the highest efficiency point on the curve

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“ CENTRIFUGAL PUMP CURVE ”



Pump curves typically show the **Net Positive Suction Head Required** to operate the pump at each point along its Head-Capacity curve

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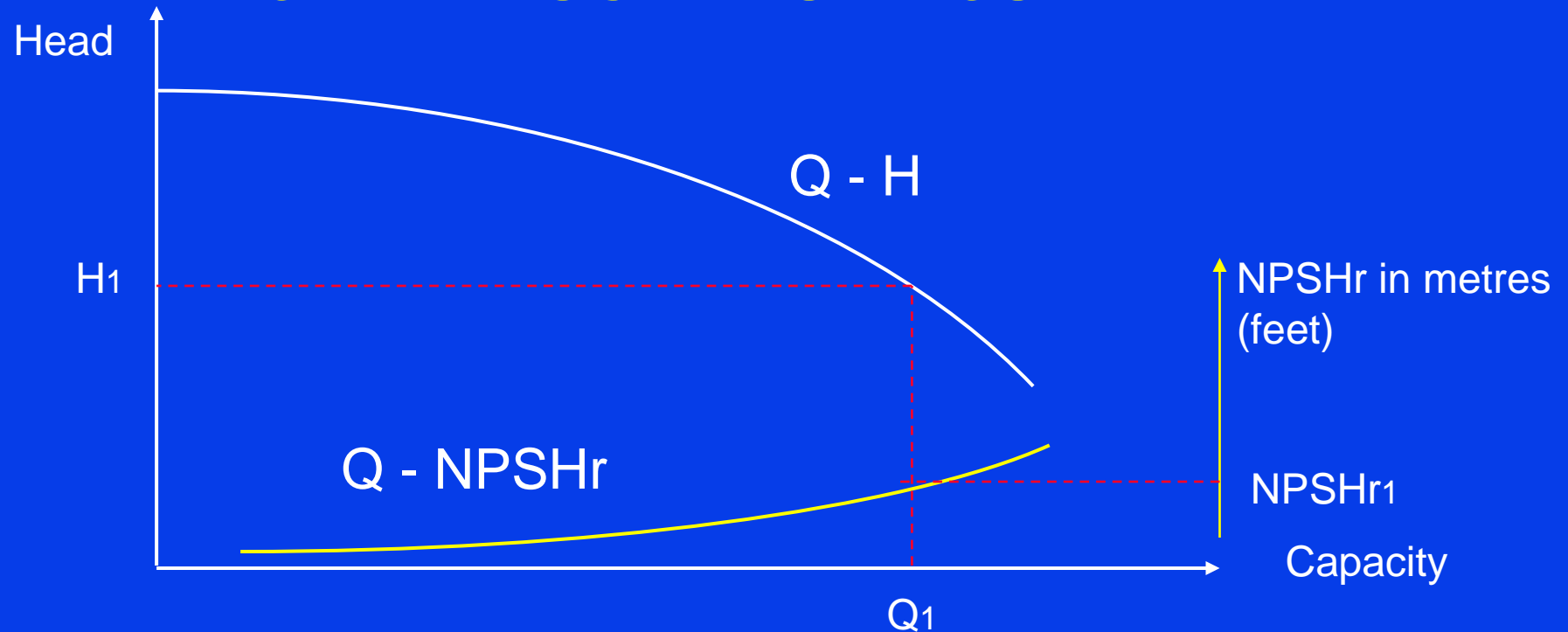
“ NPSH_r ”

Net Positive Suction Head Required

- ...is an extremely important parameter to consider
- ...refers to the internal losses of a centrifugal pump
- ...is determined by laboratory testing
- ...varies with:
 - each pump
 - with pump capacity
 - with pump speed

PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ CENTRIFUGAL PUMP CURVE ”



NPSHr increases with capacity

The NPSHr value for a particular application is determined at the designed flow rate

PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ MENTAL NOTE ”

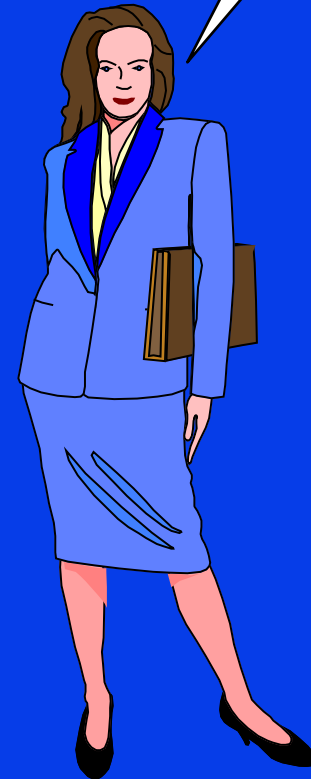
- ◆ **NPSH** Available from the system

MUST ALWAYS BE GREATER

than the **NPSH** Required by the pump

- ◆ More on NPSHa/NPSHr later...

Let's talk
NPSH baby

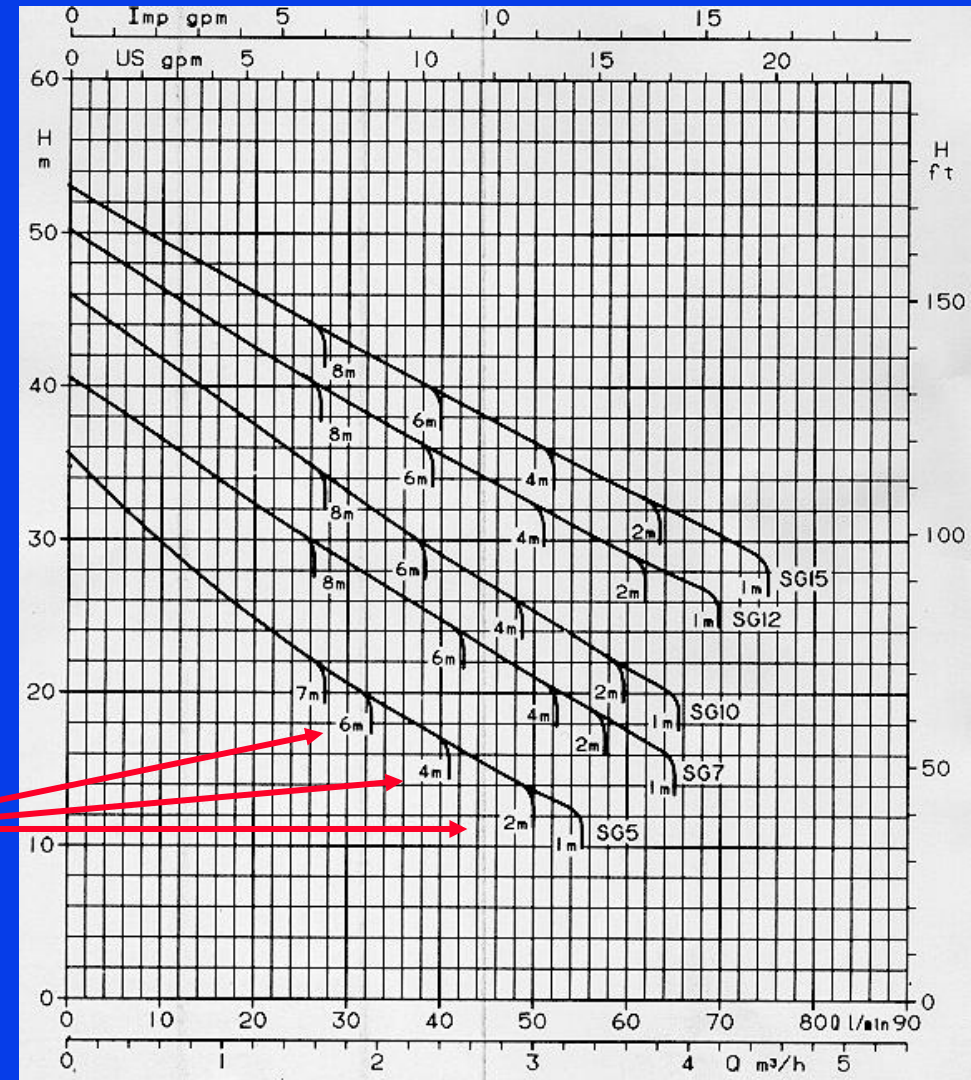


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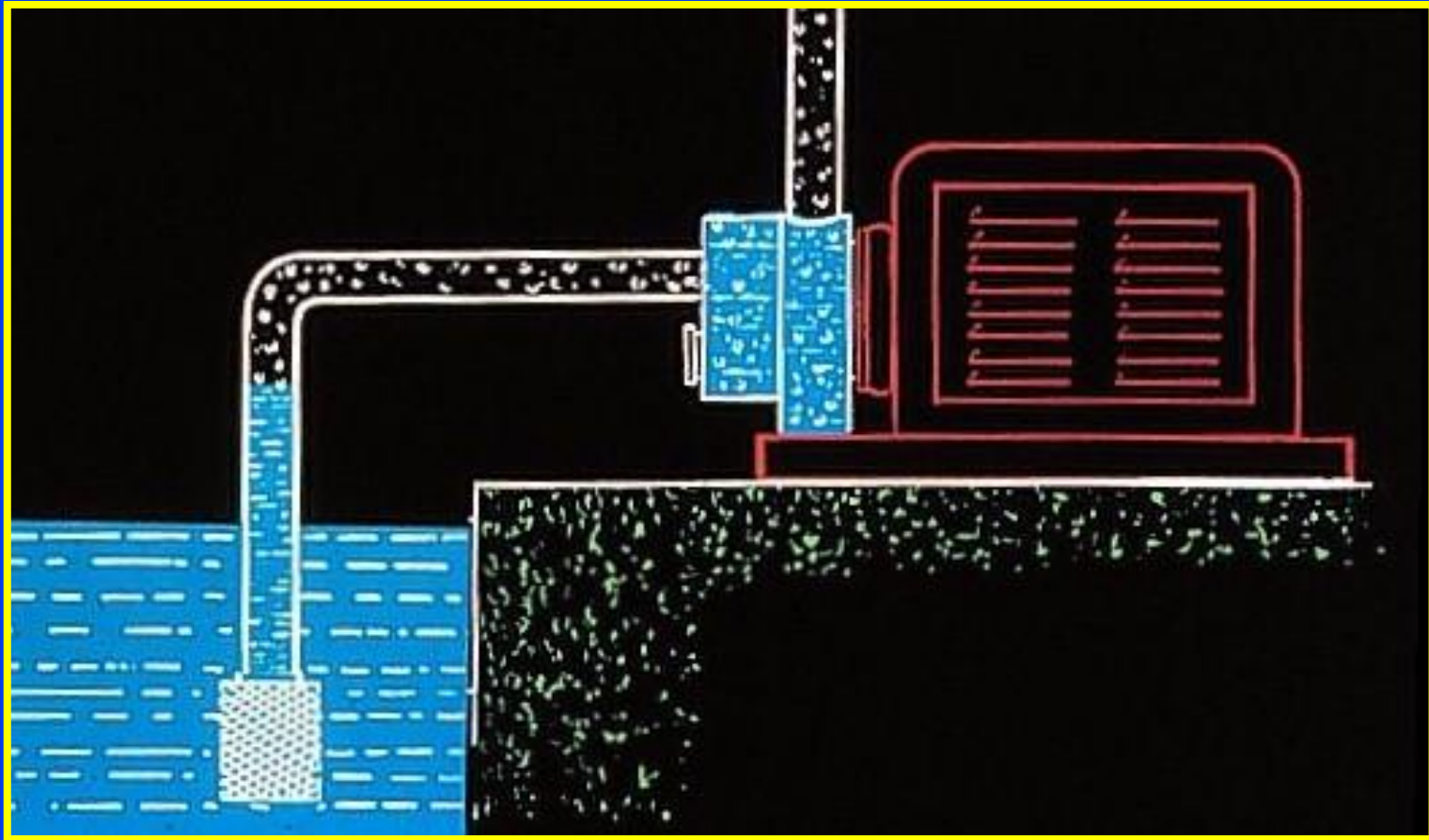


Self-priming pump curves typically provide information on the suction lift capability of the particular pump



PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ THE SUCTION SIDE ”



PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ THE SUCTION SIDE ”

◆ Suction Side Limitations

- ◆ The importance of keeping within the suction side limitations of any pump cannot be emphasized too greatly

KEEP IN MIND THAT...

...90% of all pump problems are due to poor suction conditions!

PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ NPSHa ”

Net Positive Suction Head Available

NPSH available is the term that describes whether the pressure on the suction side is adequate for proper pump operation

Self-priming applications must also consider the amount of air the pump is required to evacuate

PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ NPSHa ”

- ◆ Proper system design allows for the highest possible NPSHa

Factors affecting NPSH available include :

Pressure acting on the surface of the liquid

Relative elevation of the liquid

Friction losses in the suction piping

Velocity of the liquid in the suction piping

Vapor pressure of the liquid

These factors constitute a system's dynamic suction condition and **must be carefully considered** before a final pump selection can be made

PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ MENTAL NOTE ”

- ◆ Proper system design allows for the highest possible NPSHa
- ◆ NPSHa **must be sufficiently greater than** NPSHr in order to prevent:

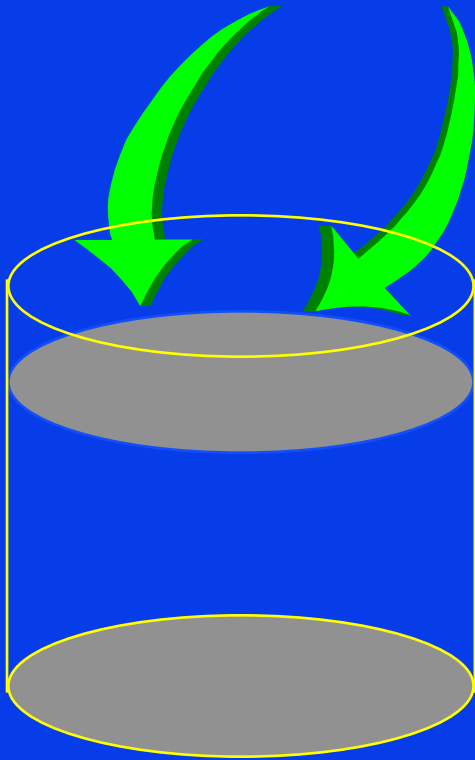
Poor pump performance
Excessive vibration
Noisy operation
Premature failure of components
Cavitation



PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ NPSHa ”

◆ Pressure Acting On The Surface Of The Liquid



- ◆ Pressure acting on the surface of a liquid “pushes” it into the pump

Atmospheric pressure

Pressurised tank

Vacuum tank

The pressure on the liquid is the major contributor to the NPSHa of a system

PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ MENTAL NOTE ”

Pressure values must be converted to “metres of head” using the following formula :

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Metres of head} &= (\text{bar} \times 10) / \text{specific gravity} \\ &= (\text{KPa} \times 0.01 \times 10) / \text{specific gravity}\end{aligned}$$

Atmospheric pressure at sea level = 1 bar (14.7 psi)

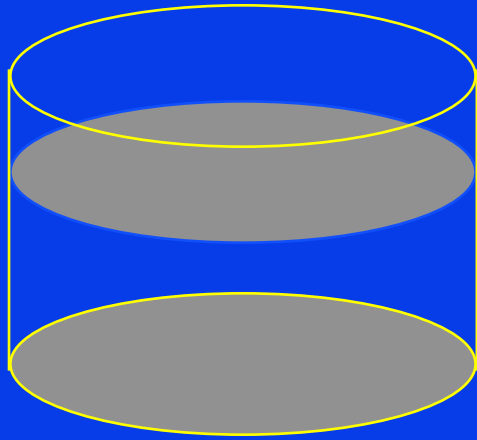
Pressurised vessel = Absolute pressure gauge reading

Vacuum vessel = Vacuum gauge reading



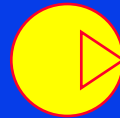
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“ NPSHa ”



- ◆ Static suction head implies that the liquid level is above the inlet of the pump

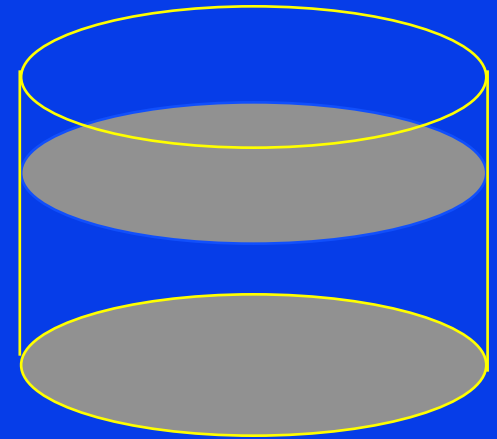
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- ◆ Static suction lift implies that the liquid level is below the inlet of the pump

Static suction head **increases** NPSHa because gravity helps pull liquid into the pump

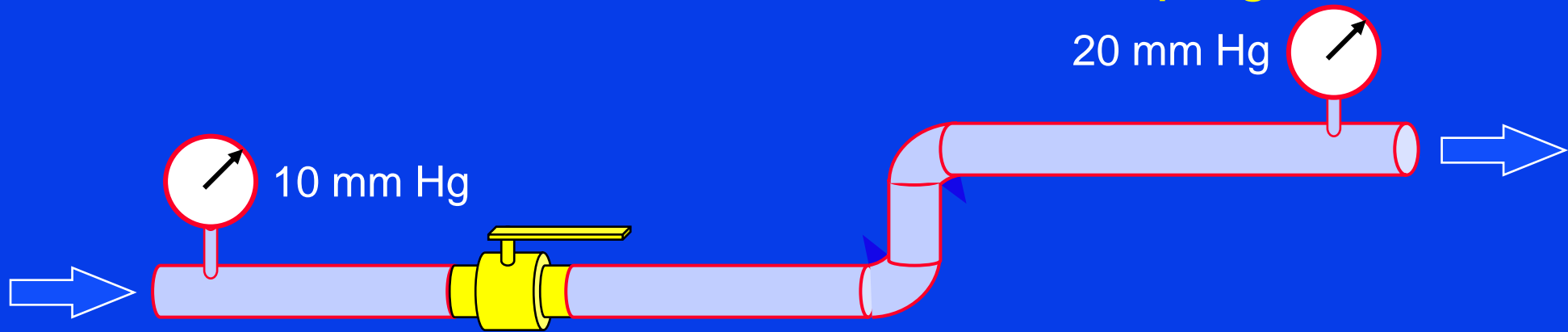
Static suction lift **decreases** NPSHa because the pump must work against gravity



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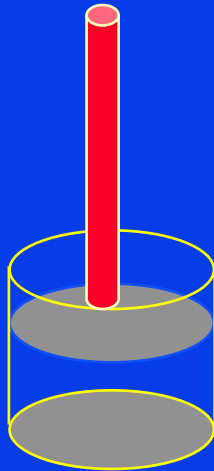
“ NPSHa ”

◆ Friction Losses In The Suction Piping



- ◆ Friction losses in suction piping **decreases** NPSHa
- ◆ Factors affecting friction losses include :
 - ◆ Size of piping
 - ◆ Length of piping
 - ◆ Fittings and equipment

$760 \text{ mm Hg} = 1 \text{ atm} = 10.33 \text{ m H}_2\text{O} = 1.013 \text{ bar} = 1013 \text{ mbar}$

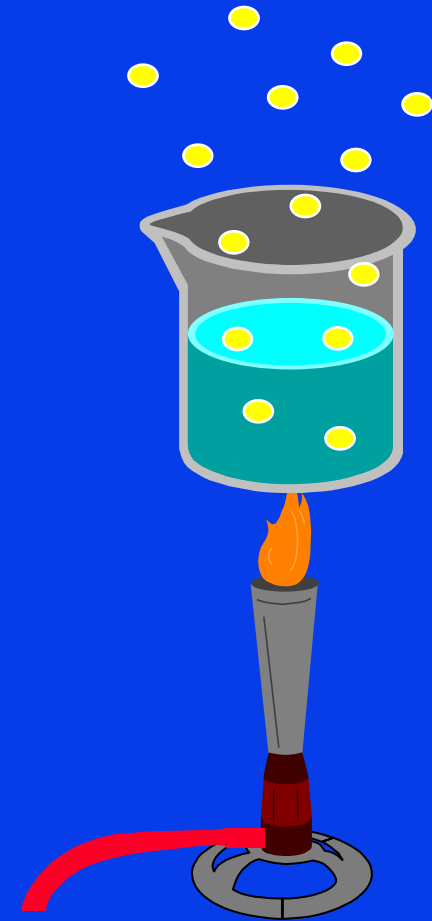


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“ NPSHa ”

◆ Vapor pressure of the liquid

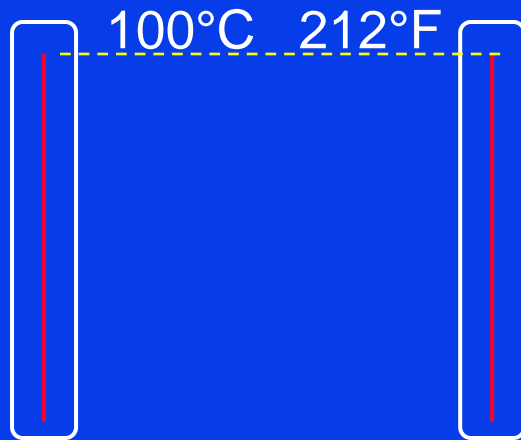
- ◆ The vapor pressure of the liquid **must be carefully considered** to insure proper pump operation
- ◆ Vapor pressure indicates the dividing line between a liquid and its gaseous state
- ◆ Vapor pressure typically varies with temperature
- ◆ The pressure in the suction line **must never** fall below the vapor pressure of the liquid



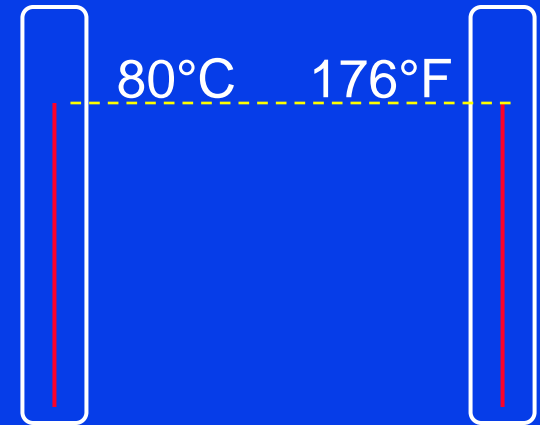
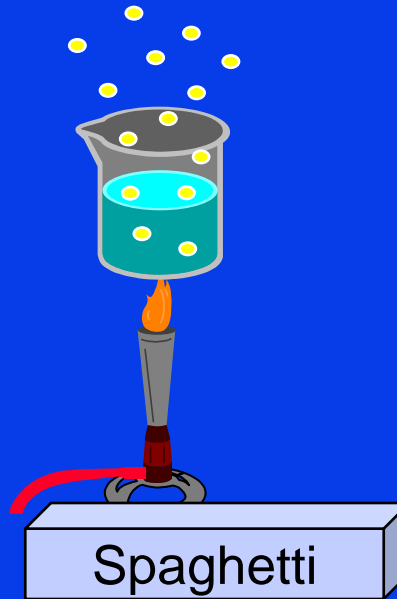
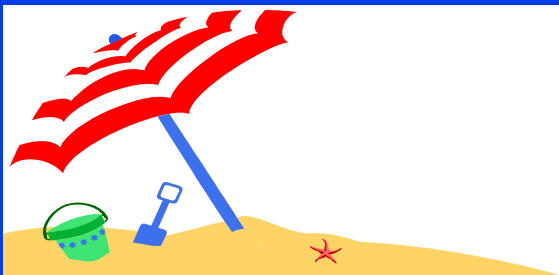
PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ NPSHa ”

◆ Vapor pressure of the liquid



◆ At sea level



◆ On the mountain



PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ NPSHa ”

◆ Vapor pressure of the liquid

A liquid with a vapor pressure of 0.56 bar (8 psi) @ 38°C (100°F) requires at least 0.56 bar (8 psi) of pressure acting on it's surface to stay a liquid

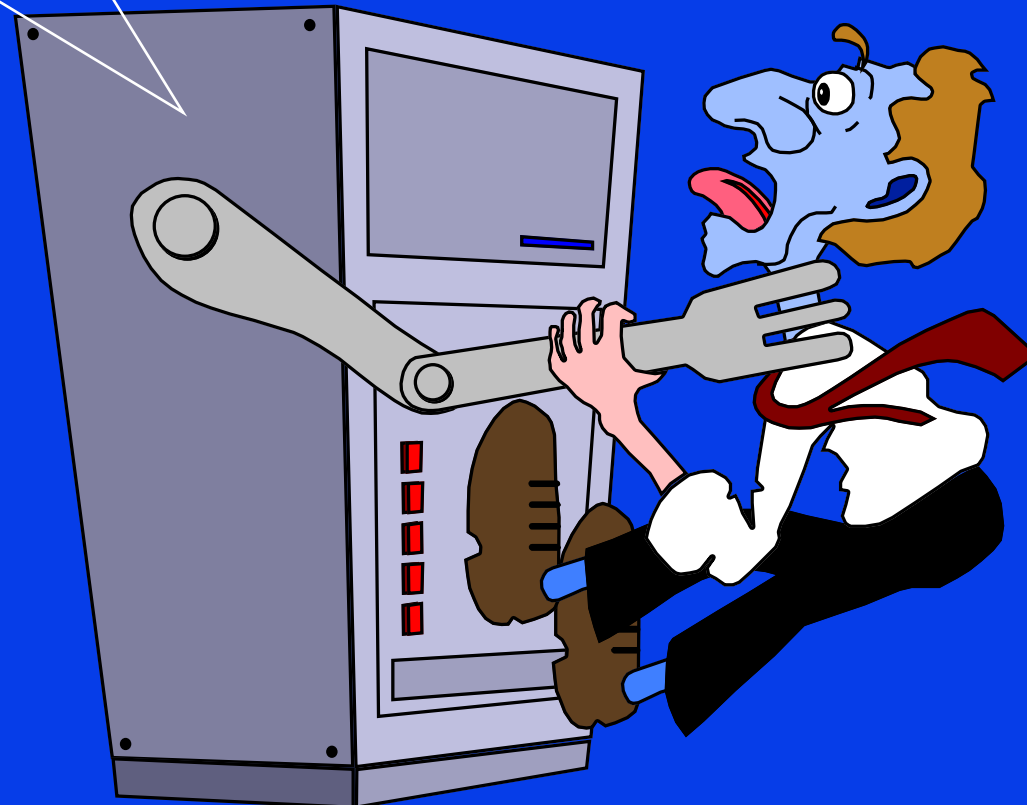
The pressure in a fluid handling system must be equal to or greater than the vapor pressure of the liquid at every point throughout that system

Without sufficient pressure the liquid will flash into a gas and become unpumpable.

PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ NPSHa ”

Just Give Me
The Formulae



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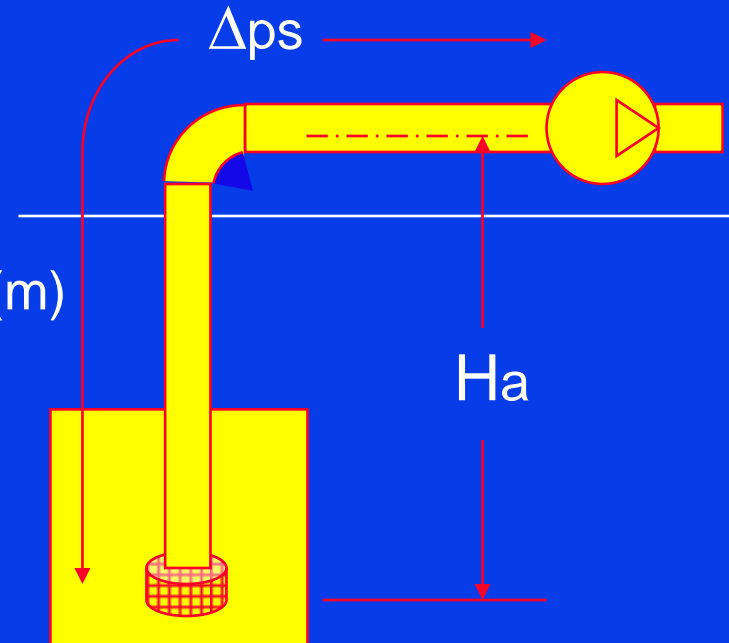
“ NPSHa ”

◆ QUICK FORMULA

$$H_a = 10.33 - (NPSH_r + 0.5) - \Delta p_s - K_t - K_h$$

Where :

- H_a = Suction height (m)
- 10.33 = Maximum suction limit (m)
- $NPSH_r$ = NPSH required by pump (m)
- 0.5 = Safety margin (m)
- Δp_s = Friction losses of the suction piping system (m)
- K_t = Reducing coefficient due to temperature (m)
- K_h = Reducing coefficient due to altitude (m)

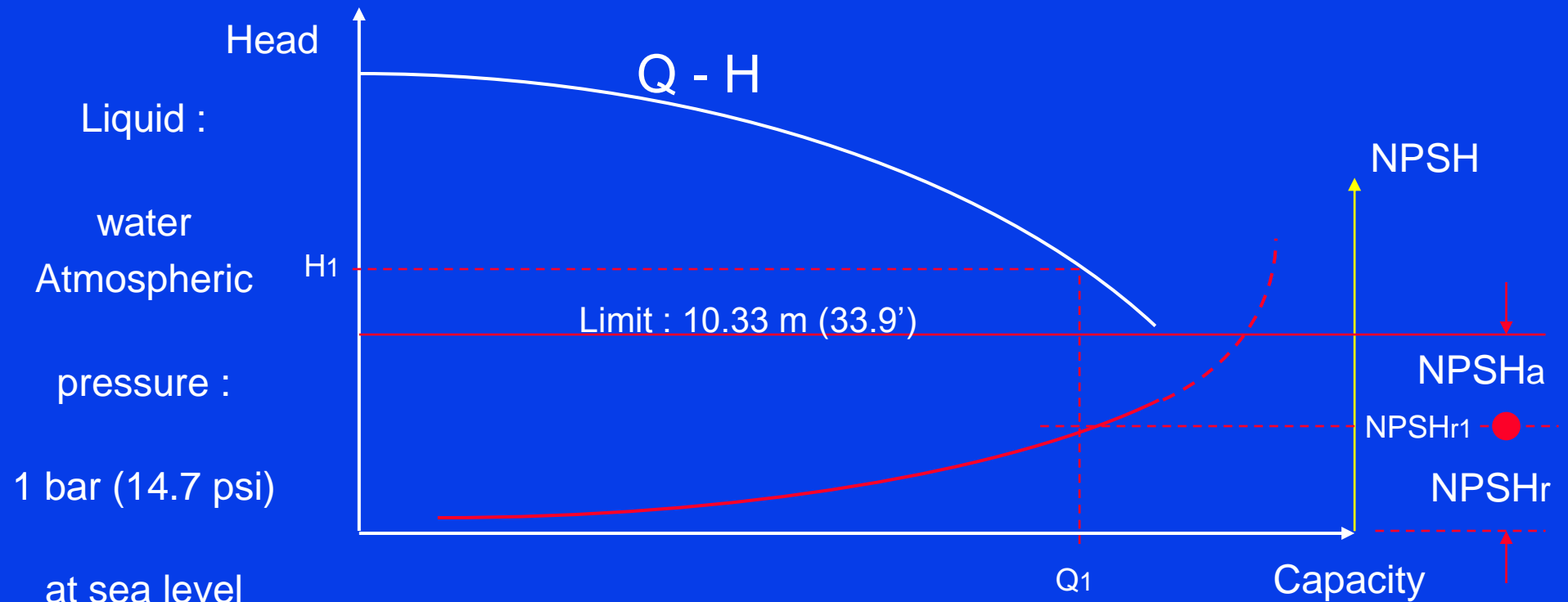


PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ NPSHa & NPSHr ”

$$\text{NPSHr} < \text{NPSHa}$$

$$\text{NPSHa} + \text{NPSHr} < 10.33 \text{ m (33.9')}$$



◆ If $\text{NPSHa} + \text{NPSHr} > 10.33 \text{ m} \longrightarrow \text{CAVITATION !!}$

PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ NPSHa & NPSHr ”

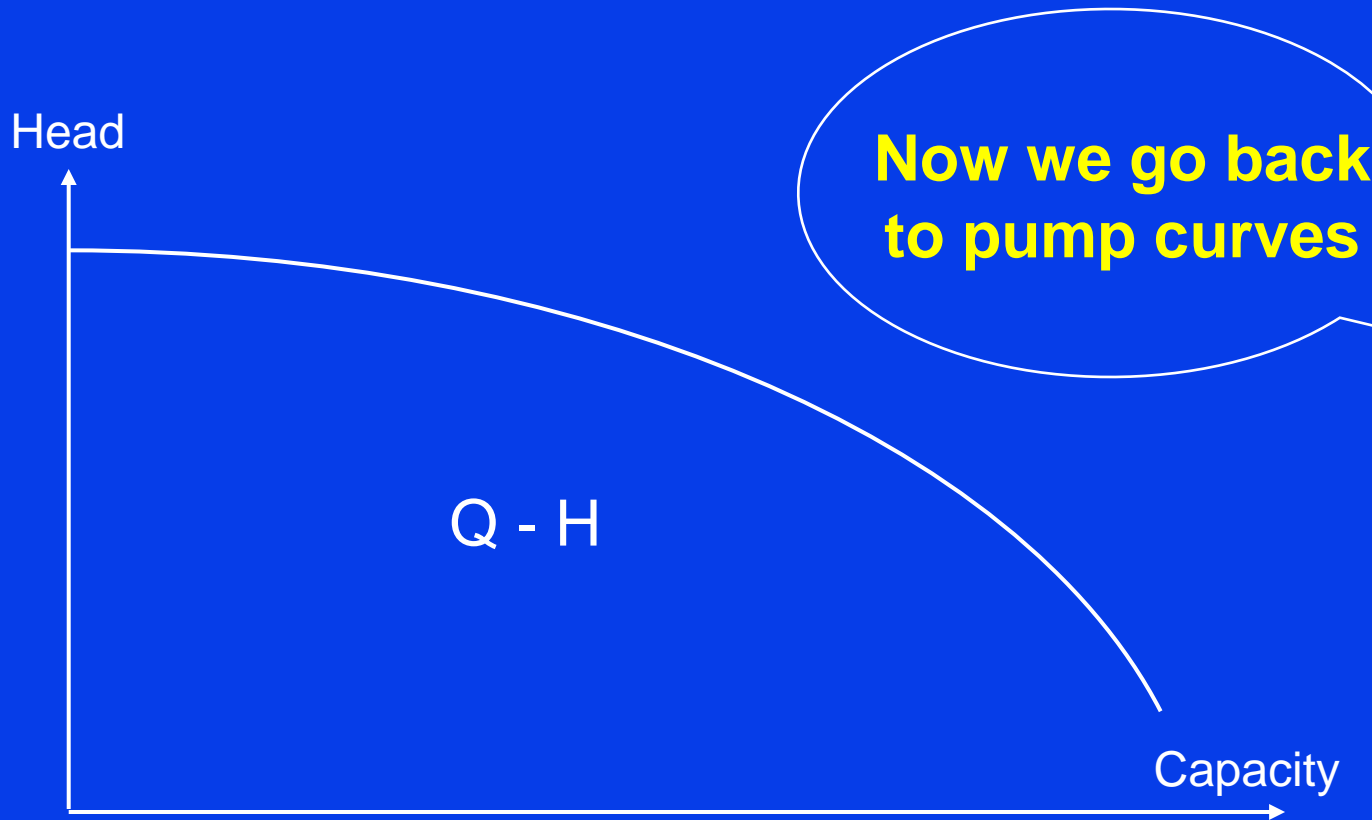
◆ Reducing coefficients

Temperature		Coefficient Kt (m)
°C	°K	
30	86	0.4
40	104	0.8
50	122	1.3
60	140	2.0
70	158	3.2
80	176	4.8
90	194	7.1

Altitude m	Coefficient Kh (m)
0	0.00
500	0.55
1000	1.10
1500	1.65
2000	2.20
2500	2.75
3000	3.30

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“ CENTRIFUGAL PUMP CURVE ”



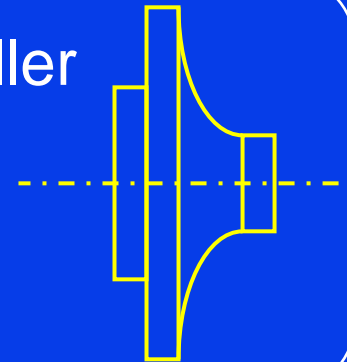
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“ CENTRIFUGAL PUMP CURVE ”

- ◆ The NPSH-Q & Power-Q curves for a particular pump are a function of :

- ◆ And the speed of operation

- ◆ The impeller diameter



PUMP HYDRAULICS

“CENTRIFUGAL PUMP CURVE”

AFFINITY LAWS

FLOW

Example

$$Q_1 / Q_2 = n_1 / n_2$$

$$1/2$$

HEAD

$$H_1 / H_2 = (n_1 / n_2)^2$$

$$1/4$$

NPSH

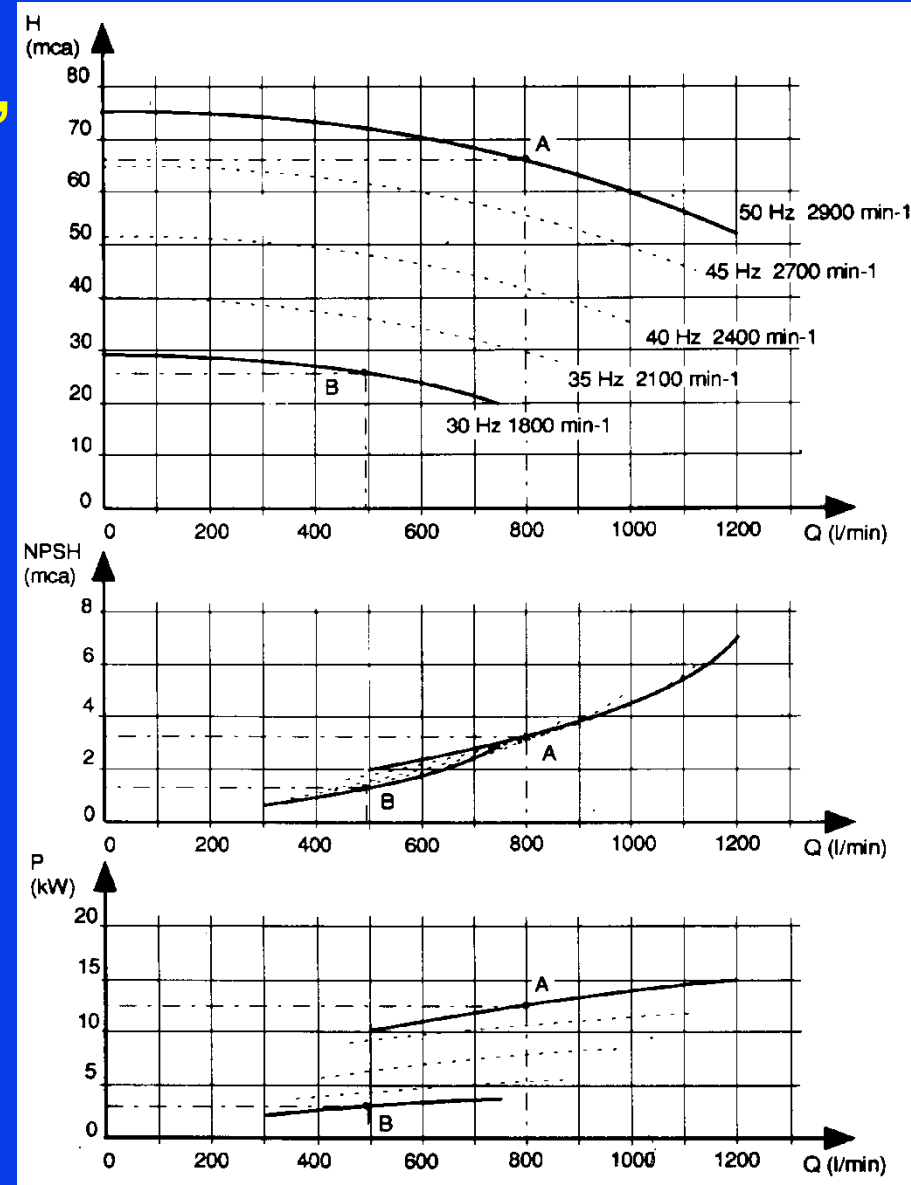
$$NPSH_1 / NPSH_2 = (n_1 / n_2)^2$$

$$1/4$$

POWER

$$P_1 / P_2 = (n_1 / n_2)^3$$

$$1/8$$

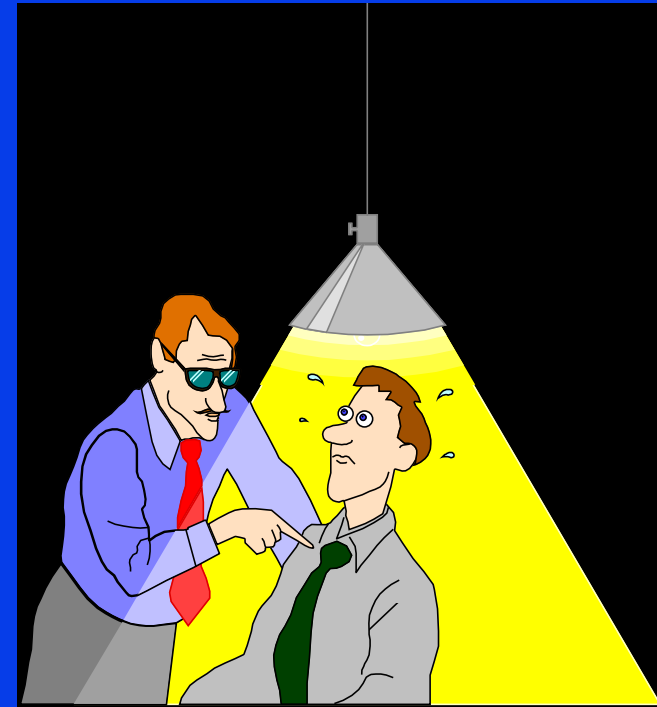
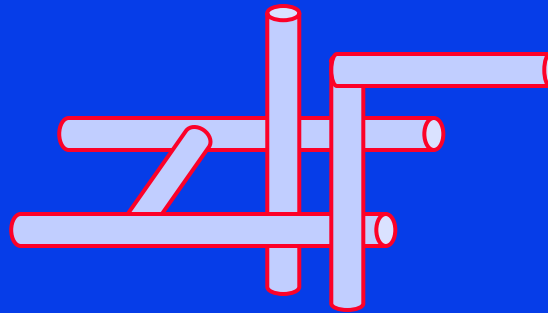


PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ SELECTING A PUMP ”

◆ In order to properly select a pump you need to know the facts :

- ◆ Liquid characteristics
- ◆ Pumping system design
- ◆ TDH
- ◆ Capacity
- ◆ NPSHa



PUMP HYDRAULICS

“ MENTAL NOTE ”



The first rule of centrifugal pump selection:

◆ **Head determines Capacity**

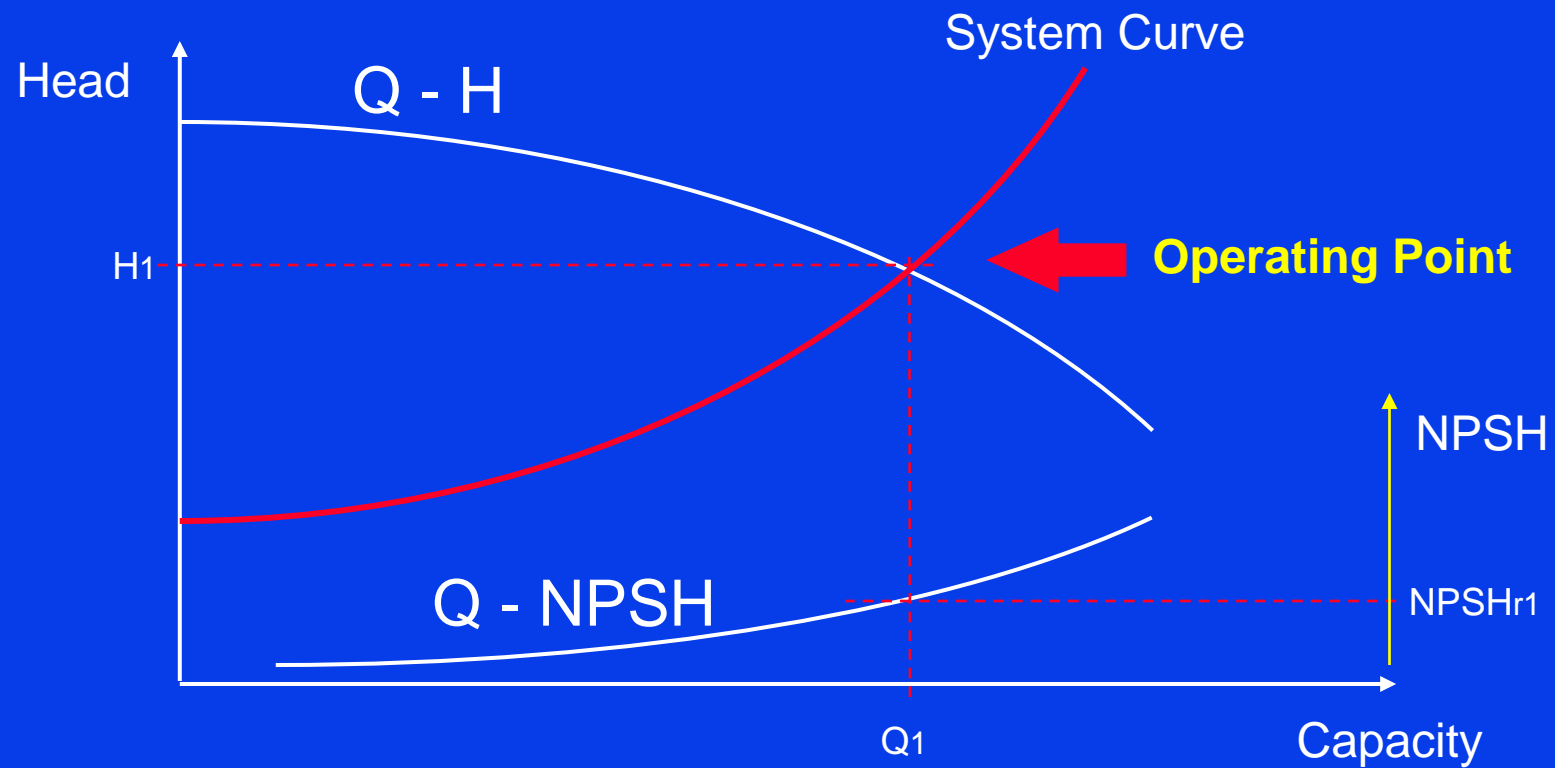
The second rule of centrifugal pump selection:

A centrifugal pump will operate at the point of intersection between the pump's H-Q curve and the System curve

(Providing $NPSH_a$ is greater than $NPSH_r$)

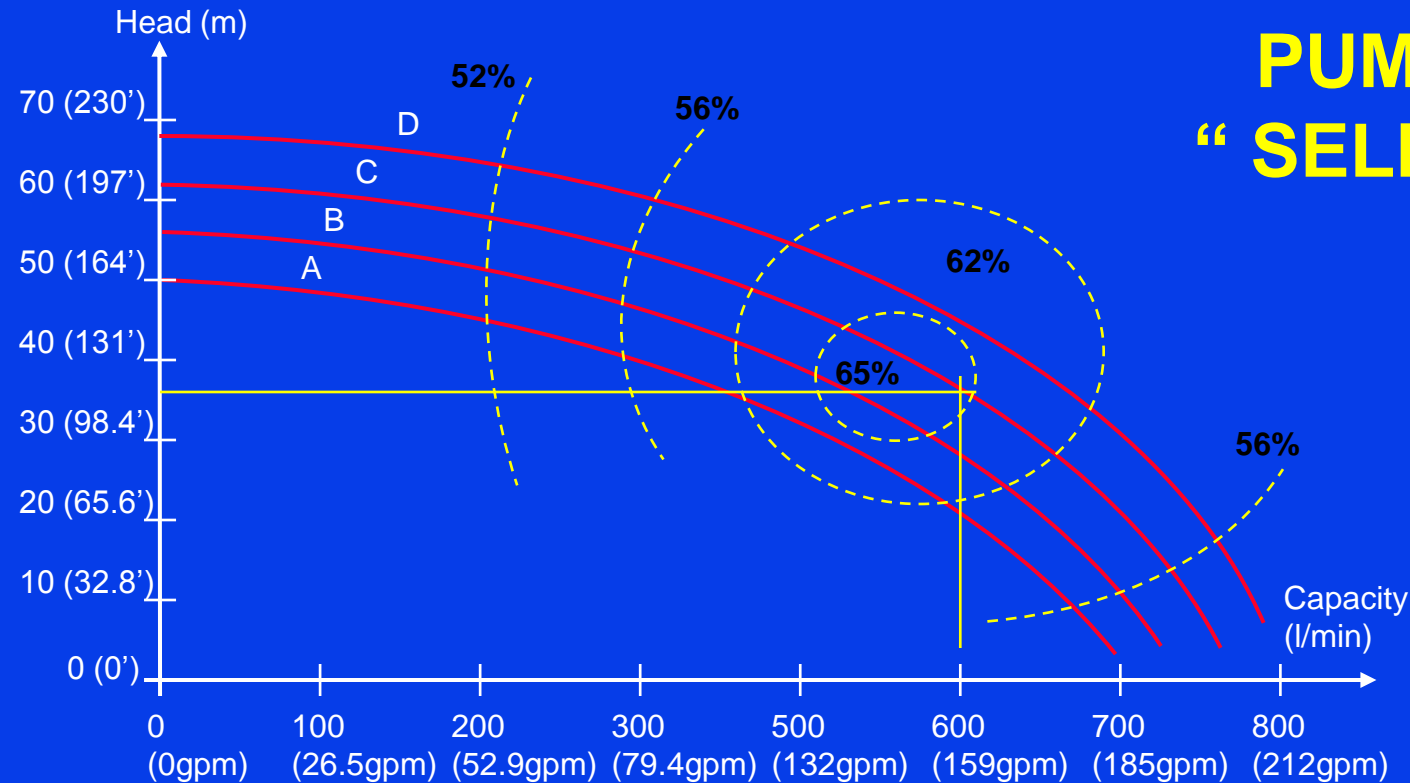
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“ SELECTING A PUMP ”



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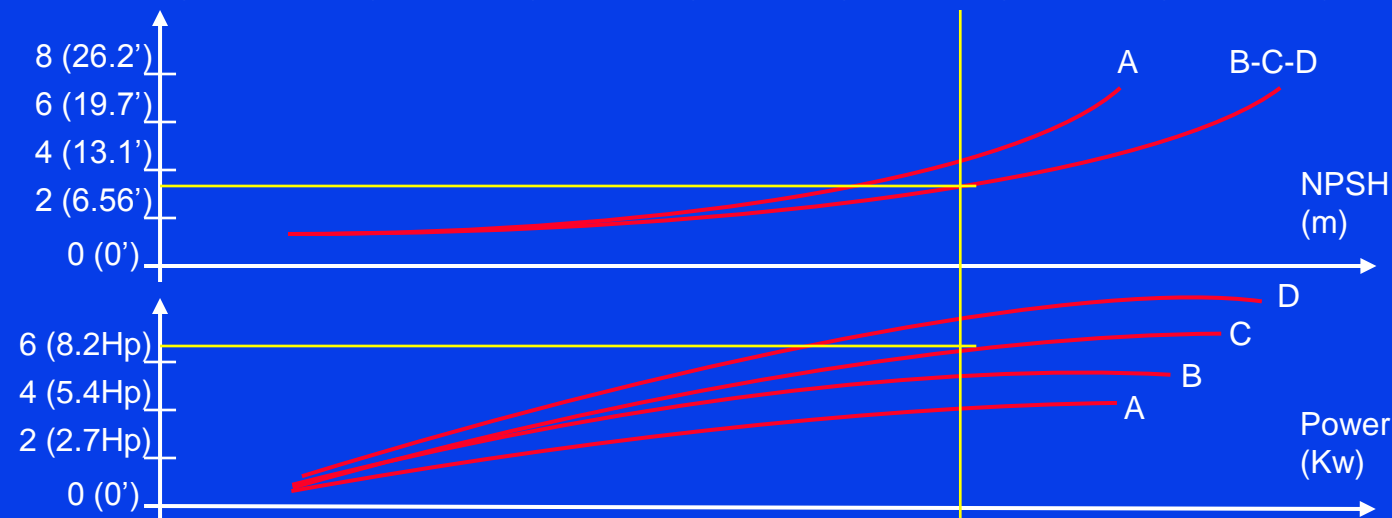
“ SELECTING A PUMP ”



- ◆ Capacity requested : 600 l/min
- ◆ TDH requested : 35 m

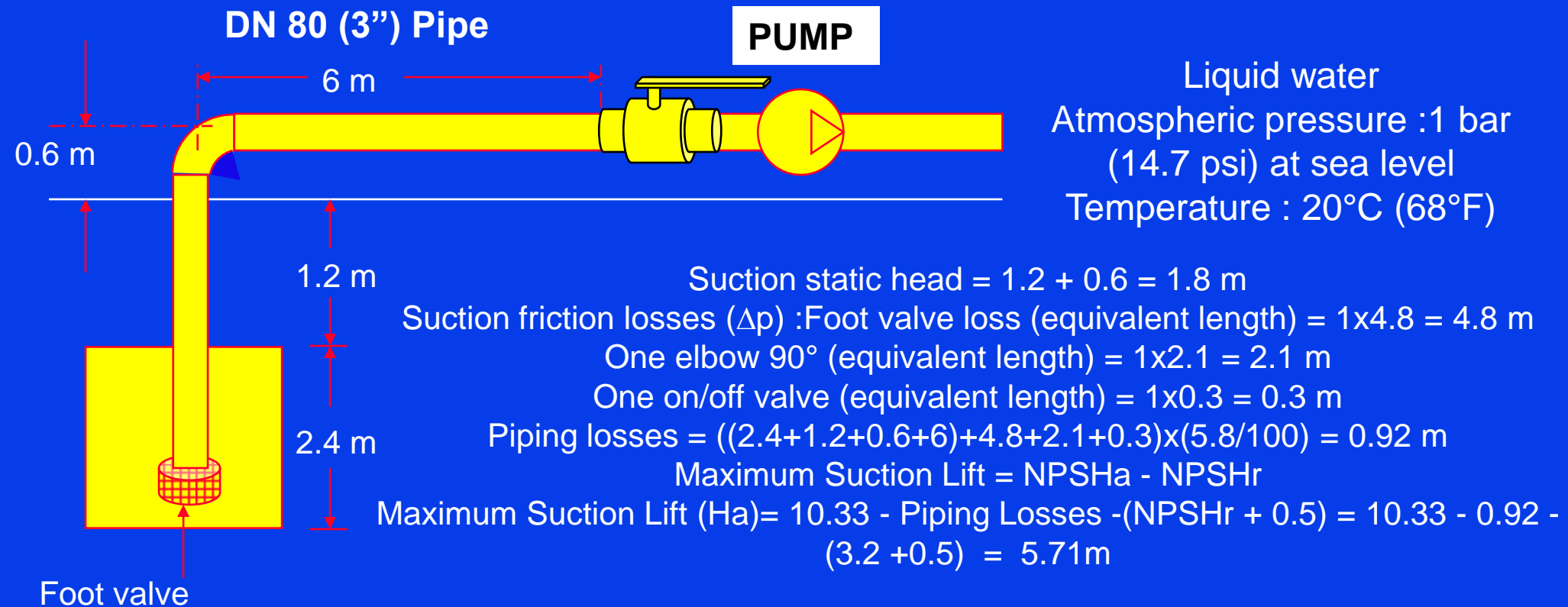
Pump performances

- ◆ Capacity : 600 l/min
- ◆ Head : 35 m
- ◆ NPSHr : 3.2 m
- ◆ Absorbed power : 6.5 Kw



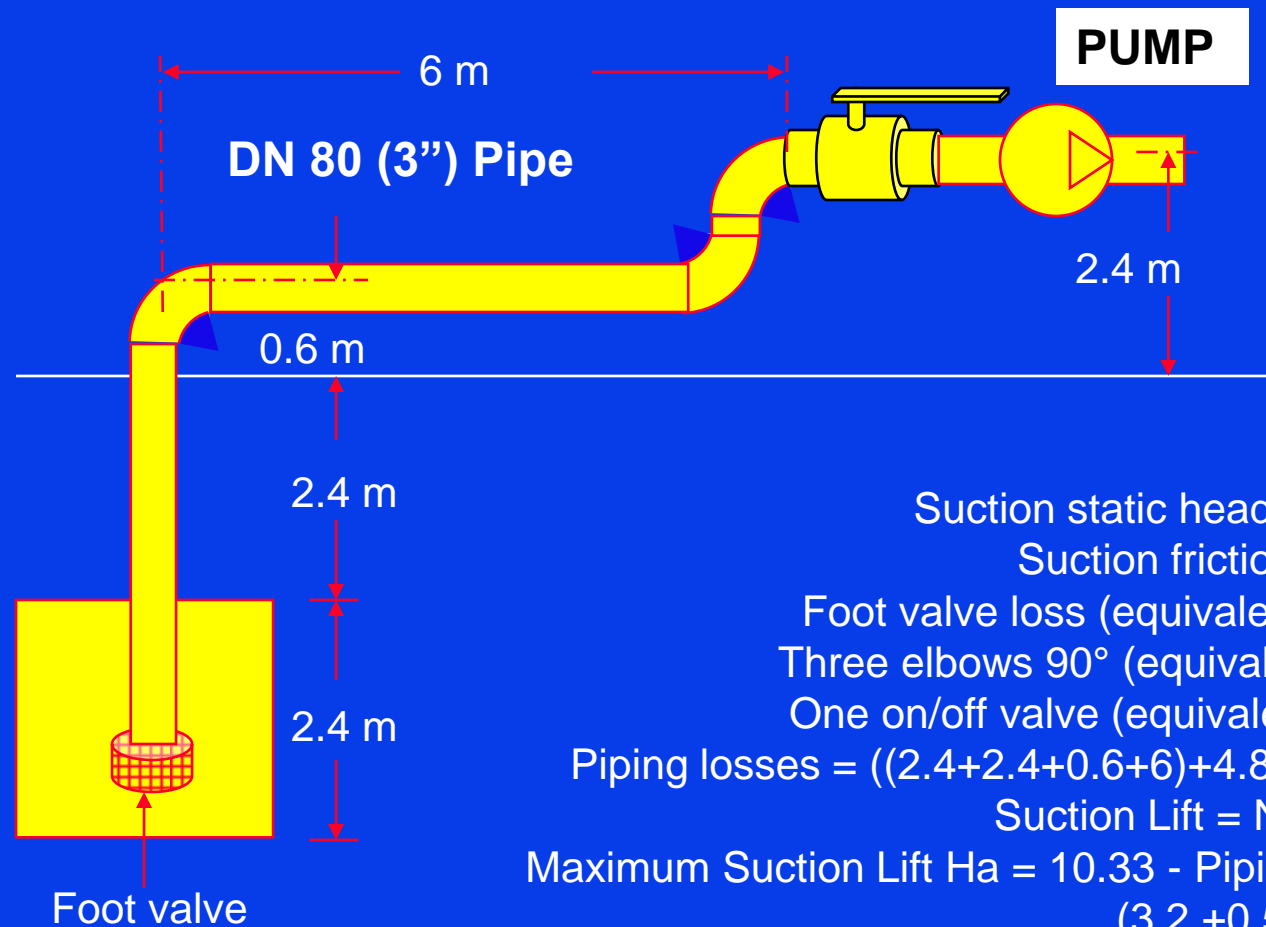
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“ CENTRIFUGAL PUMP CURVE ”



We can use this pump

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Liquid : water

Atmospheric pressure : 1 bar
(14.7 psi) at sea level

Temperature : 20°C (68°F)

Suction static head = 2.4 + 2.4 = 4.8 m

Suction friction losses (Δp) :

Foot valve loss (equivalent length) = 1x4.8 = 4.8 m

Three elbows 90° (equivalent length) = 3x2.1 = 6.2 m

One on/off valve (equivalent length) = 1x0.3 = 0.3 m

Piping losses = ((2.4+2.4+0.6+6)+4.8+6.2+0.3)x(5.8/100) = 1.3m Maximum

Suction Lift = NPSHa - NPSHr

Maximum Suction Lift Ha = 10.33 - Piping Losses -(NPSHr + 0.5) = 10.33 - 1.3 -
(3.2 + 0.5) = 5.3m

We can use this pump but carefully