

**What it means in technical terms  
- the work done so far with Ecopump -**



TECHNISCHE  
UNIVERSITÄT  
DARMSTADT

**Presented at the EUROPUMP roundtable  
Brussels, October 6, 2011  
by Prof. Dr. Bernd Stoffel**

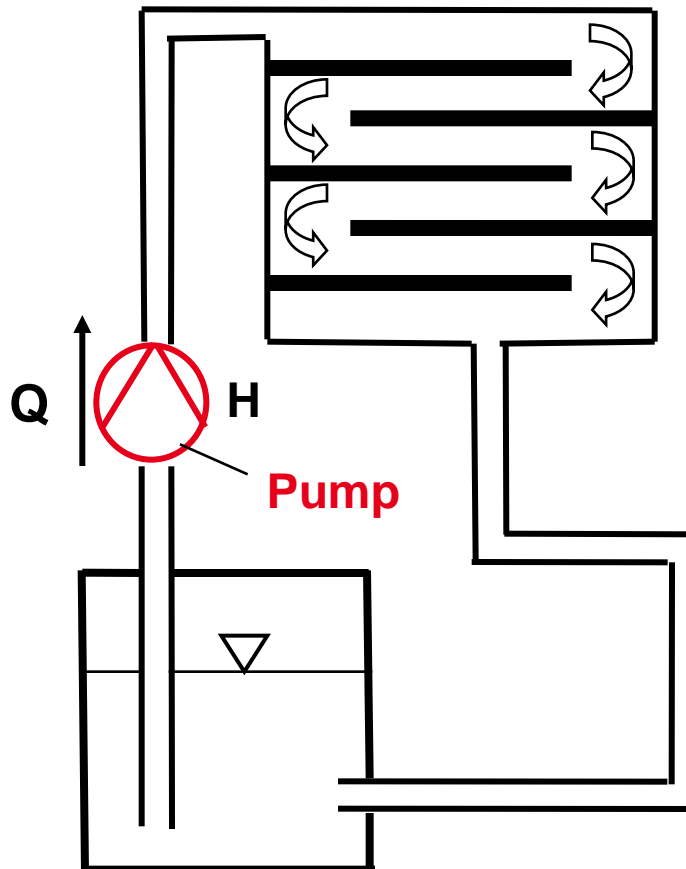
# Outline



- **The role of pump systems for energy consumption**
- **Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) for pumps**
- **Extended Product Approach for pumps**

# Types of pump systems

closed loop



Process:  
circulation of liquid

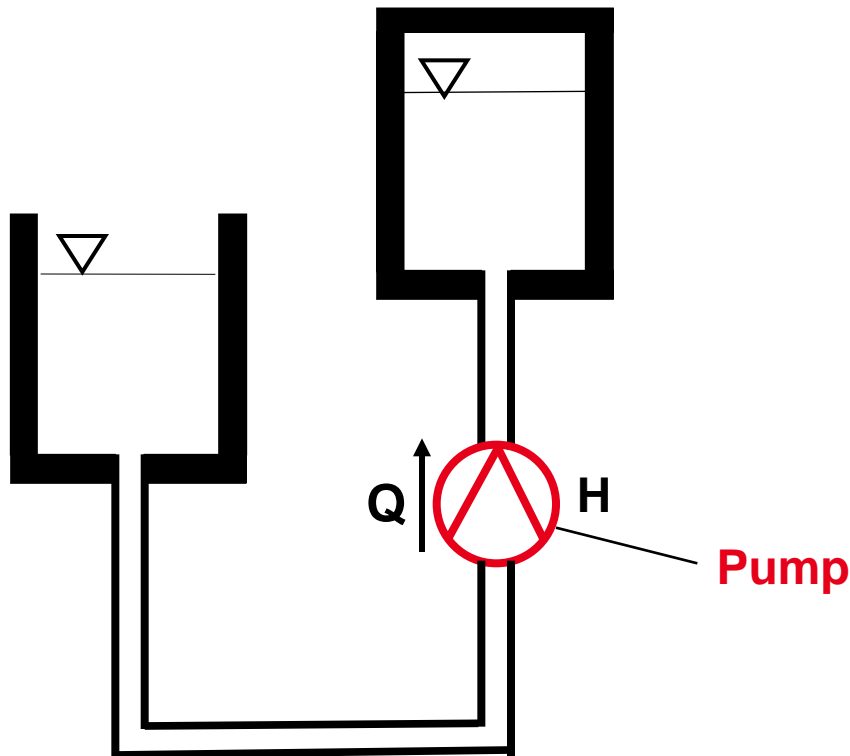


Need of the process:  
➤ flow rate  $Q$  ,  
➤ pump head  $H^*$ )

\*) pump head  $H$ : measure for the usable energy transferred to the liquid

# Types of pump systems

open loop



**Process:**  
Transport of liquid to

- other location,
- higher elevation
- and/or higher pressure



**Need of the process:**

- flow rate  $Q$
- pump head  $H$

# Power need of pump systems

Need of the process:

- flow rate  $Q$
- pump head  $H$



hydraulic power

$$P_{\text{hyd}} \sim Q \cdot H$$



pump efficiency  $\eta_{\text{pump}}$



pump power input

$$P_{\text{pump}} \sim (Q \cdot H) / \eta_{\text{pump}}$$



electric drive efficiency  $\eta_{\text{drive}}$



electric power input

$$P_{\text{el}} \sim (Q \cdot H) / (\eta_{\text{pump}} \cdot \eta_{\text{drive}})$$



## **EUROPUMP / Ecopump work**

- **already done**
- **presently in progress**

**focuses on**

- **pump types**
- **pump applications**

**with**

- **highest contribution to energy consumption**
- **highest potential for energy saving**



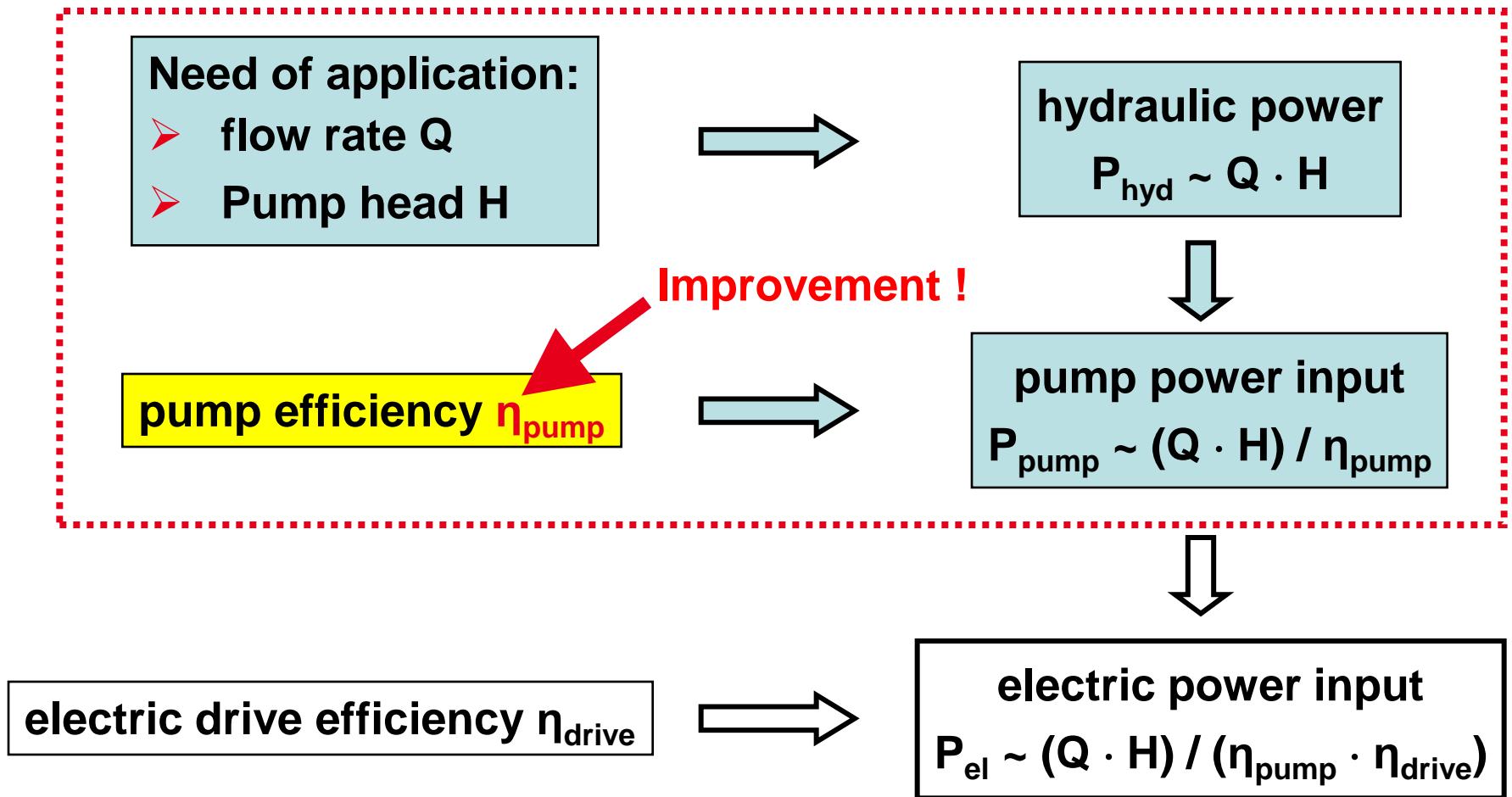
## Pumps in the focus:

- circulators
- water pumps

## Examples of **relevant applications**:

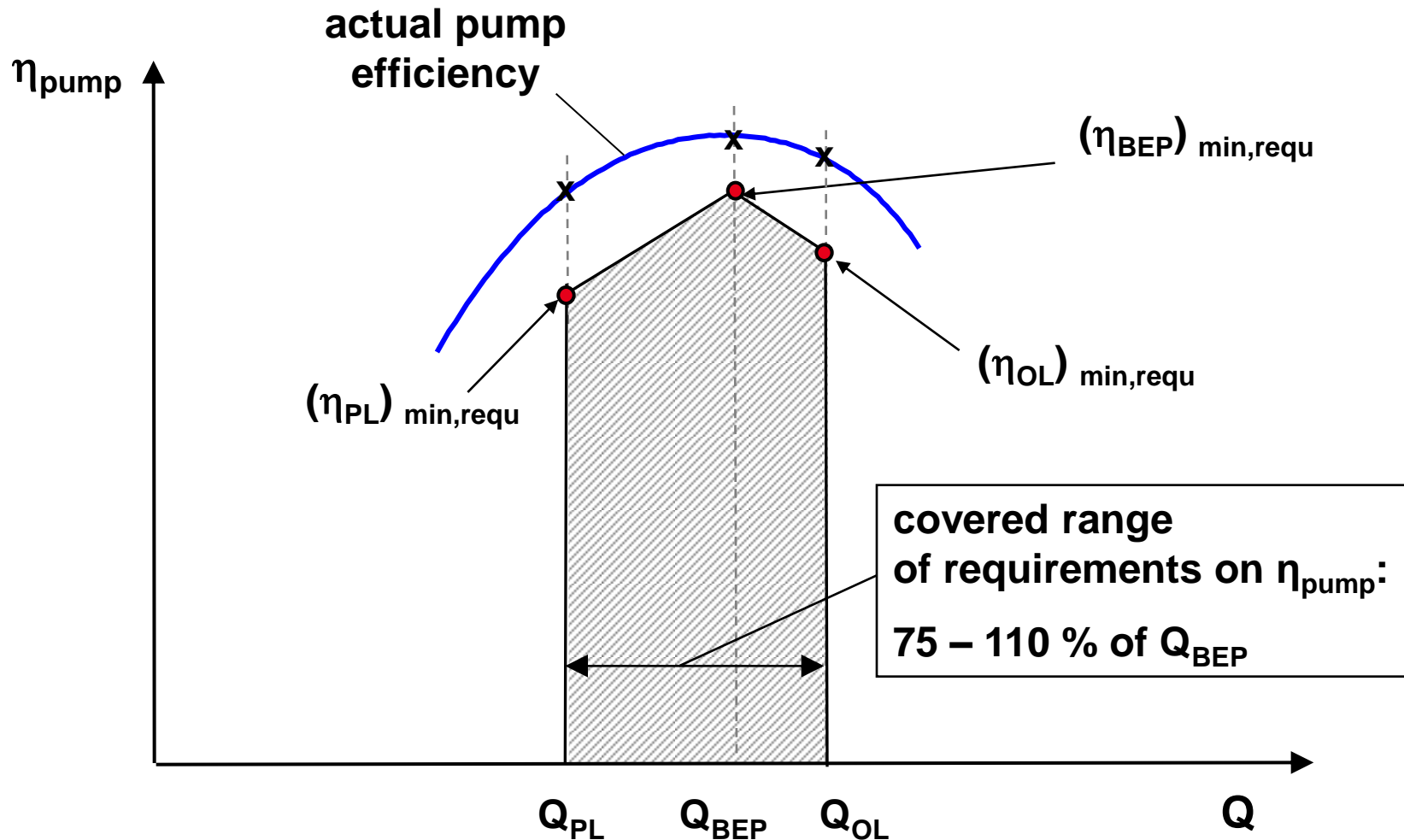
- Commercial buildings, drinking water supply, agriculture
- Heating, ventilation, air condition (HVAC)
- Water distribution, pressure boosting in high buildings

# Pumps as EuP's





# Requirements on pump efficiency



# Minimum required pump efficiency



## Values of minimum required pump efficiency

- were elaborated by a study at TU Darmstadt
- are based on
  - statistical evaluations of data of nearly 2.400 „state of the art“ pumps of European manufacturers
  - general fluiddynamic laws and technological aspects

# Minimum required pump efficiency



## Values of minimum required pump efficiency

- are dependent on
  - pump type (ESOB, ..... )
  - pump nominal speed  $n_N$
  - pump size ( $Q_{BEP}$ )
  - pump specific speed  $n_s$  (characterizing impeller shape)
  - the **Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI)**

# Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI)



## MEI

- is a decimal number  $< 1.0$
- serves for EU regulation on water pumps
- has a competitive effect on the market
- quantifies the „cut-off effect“

# Minimum required pump efficiency

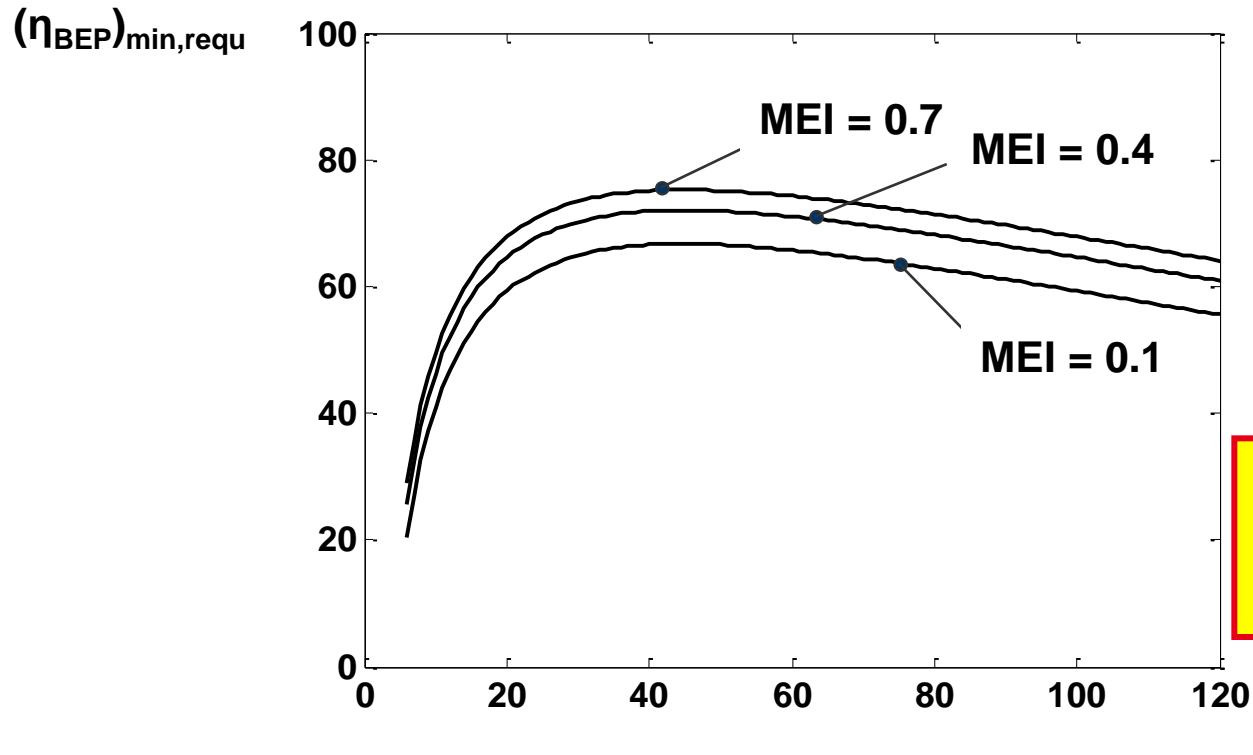
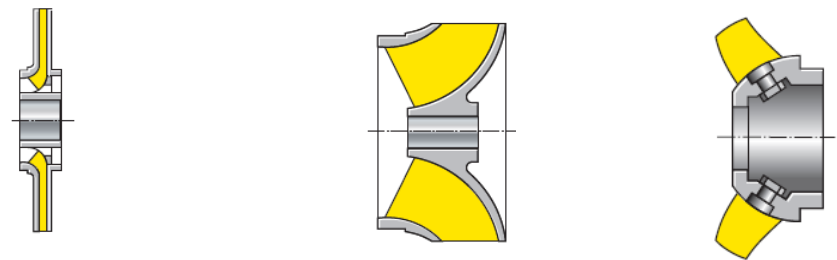


Diagram valid for:  
 pump type ESOB  
 $n_N = 2900 \text{ rpm}$   
 $Q_{BEP} = 32 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$



**MEI = 0.1 → MEI = 0.4:**  
 $\Delta\eta \approx 5 \%$

corresponding  
Impeller shape:





## Standardization for MEI

- **Draft Standard elaborated by EUROPUMP WG**
  - **defines MEI**
  - **describes methodology of qualification and verification**
- **EN standard**
  - **procedure in progress**
  - **publication expected in 2012**

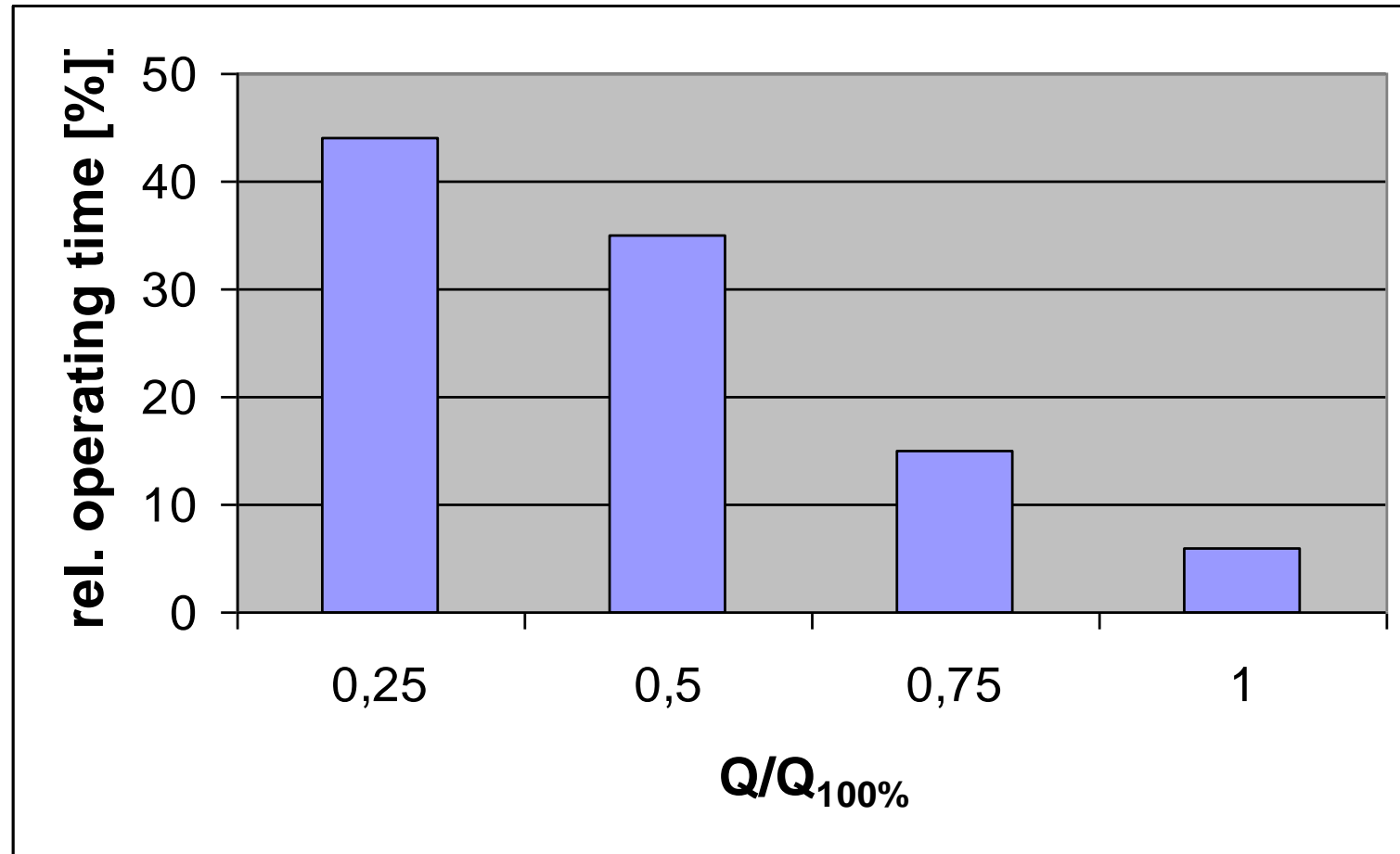
# Typical features of relevant applications



## For applications in the focus

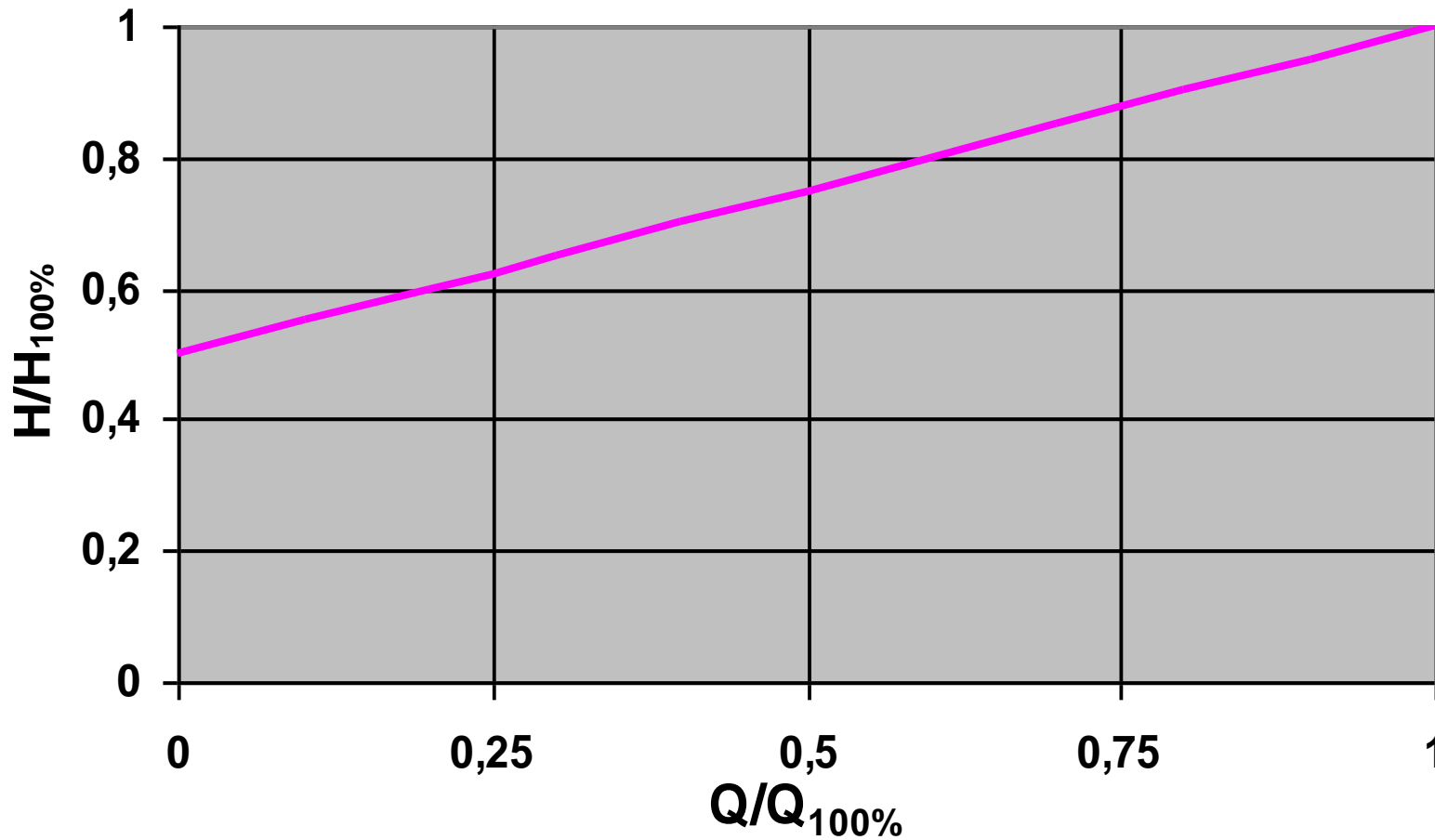
- at most part of operating time, the needed flow rate  $< Q_{100\%}$
- the head  $H_{\text{process}}$  needed by the process decreases with decreasing flow rate  $Q$
- representative „load profiles“ (time fractions at  $Q/Q_{100\%}$ ) can be defined
- representative „control curves“  $H_{\text{process}} = f(Q)$  can be defined

# Load profile representative for HVAC



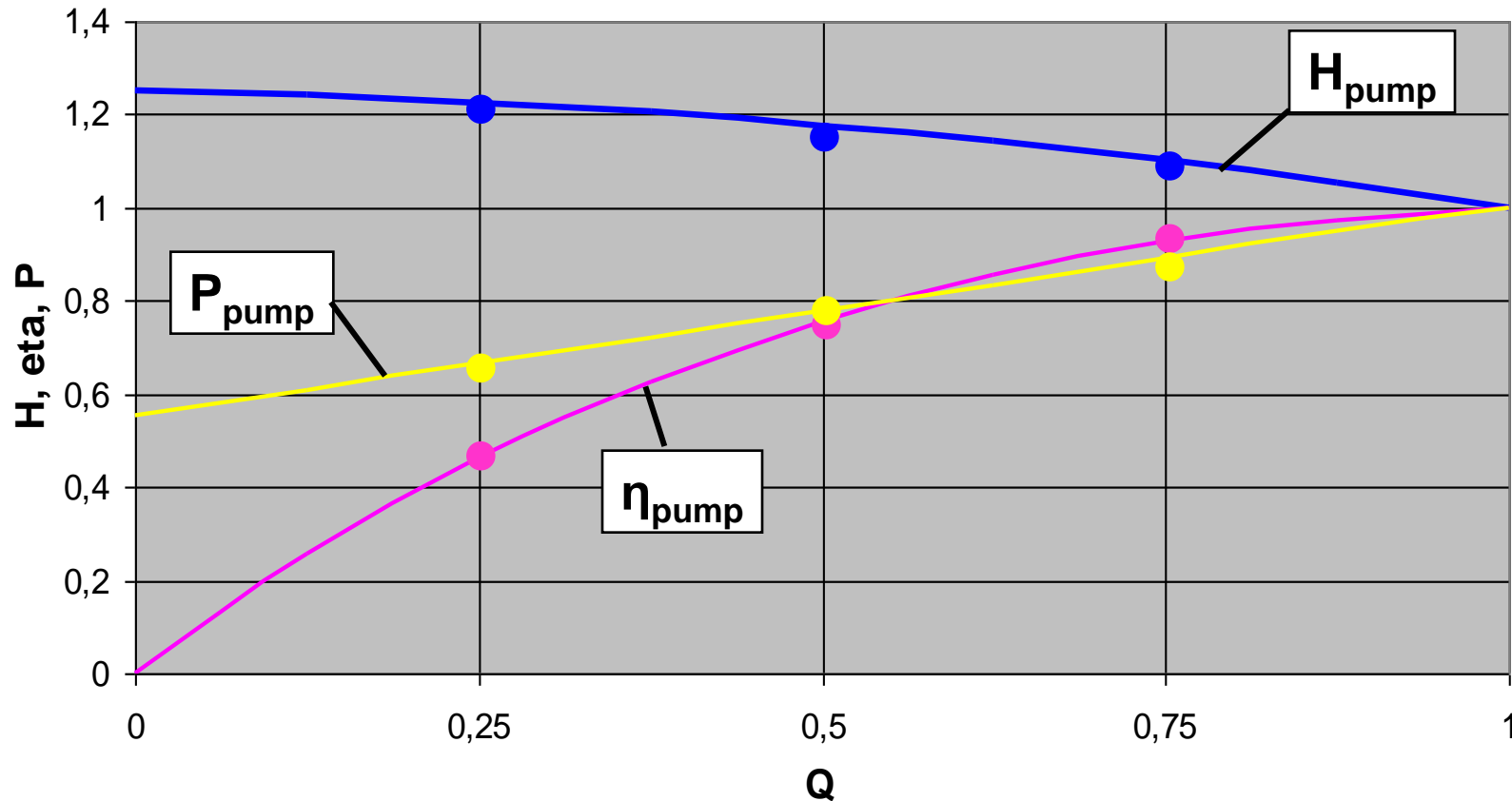


# Process control curve representative for HVAC



# Typical pump characteristics

## Typical pump characteristics at constant rotational speed (related values)



# Extended Product Approach (EPA)

Need of application:

- flow rate  $Q$
- pump head  $H$



hydraulic power

$$P_{\text{hyd}} \sim Q \cdot H$$



pump efficiency  $\eta_{\text{pump}}$



pump power input

$$P_{\text{pump}} \sim (Q \cdot H) / \eta_{\text{pump}}$$

Reduction !



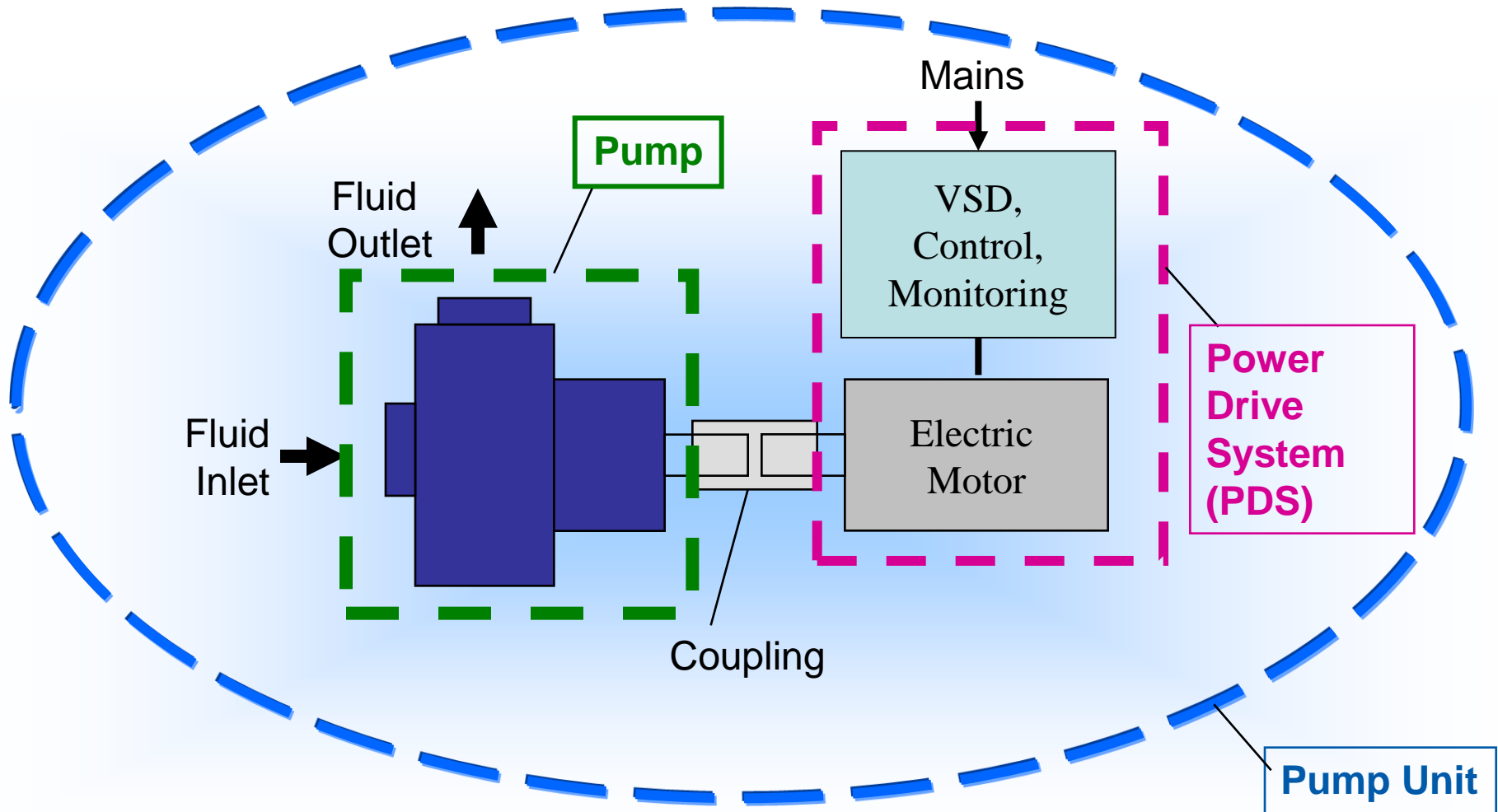
electric drive efficiency  $\eta_{\text{drive}}$



electric power input

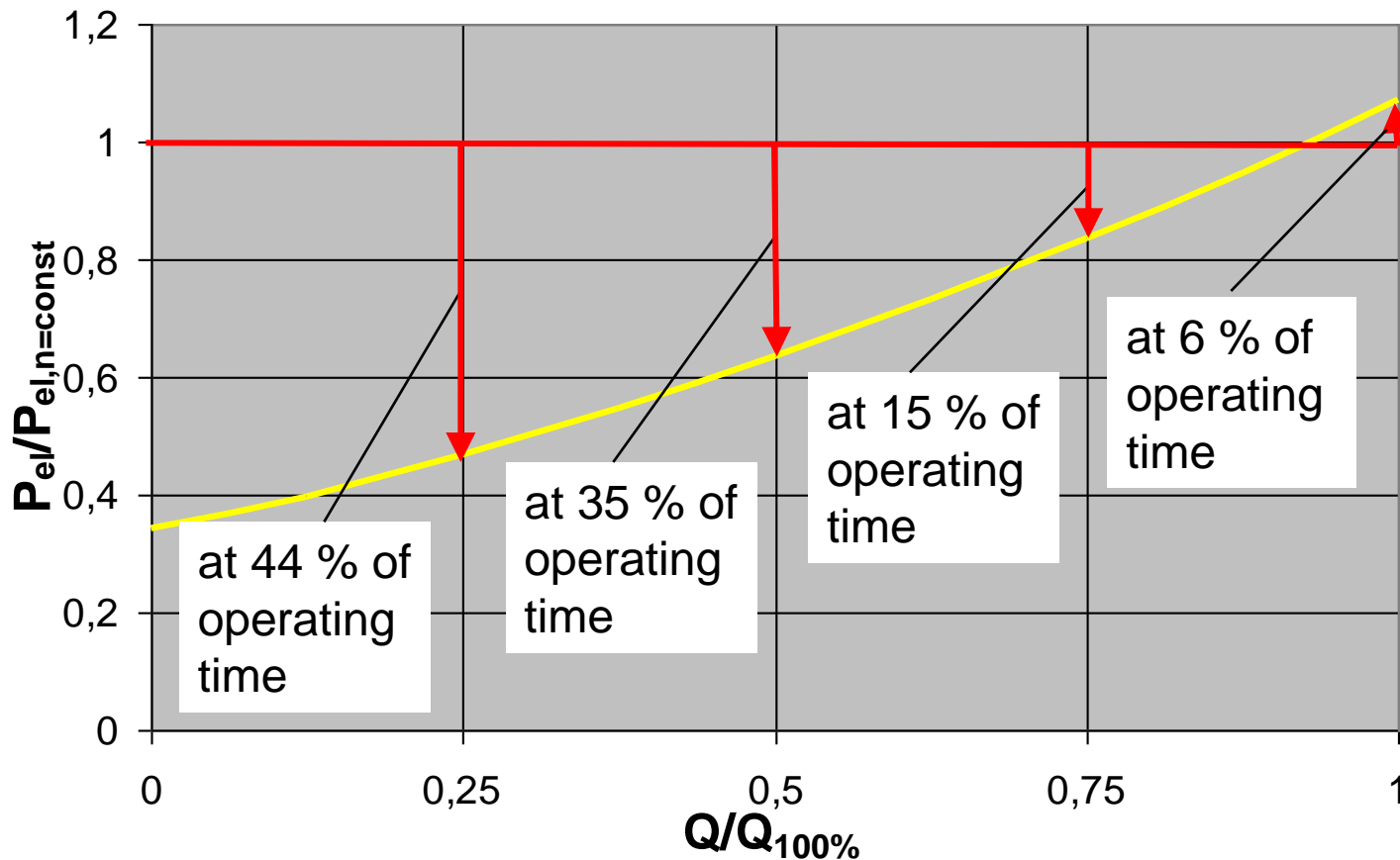
$$P_{\text{el}} \sim (Q \cdot H) / (\eta_{\text{pump}} \cdot \eta_{\text{drive}})$$

# Pump units as Extended Products



## Ratio of electrical power input

### Ratio of electrical power input $P_{el}/P_{el,n=const}$



typical example  
for HVAC  
applications of  
water pumps

# Energy Efficiency Index (EEI)



Quantification of energy efficiency of **pump units**:

**Energy Efficiency Index**

$$\mathbf{EEI} = \frac{P_{el,avg}}{P_{el,ref}}$$

- **EEI already established in EN-Standardization and EU-Regulation for **circulators****
- **determination of  $P_{el,avg}$ ,  $P_{el,ref}$  for **pump units** to be standardized**



**Project of EUROPUMP Working Group with TU Darmstadt  
on development and validation of EEI methodology for water pump  
units**

- **started Jan. 2011**
- **shall be finished end of 2013 with Draft Standard**

Thank you for your attention