

## Lecture 12 Notes

### Chapter 11:

#### Goals for today - Lecture 12

1. What is a pump and its applications
2. Discussion of different types of pumps and their characteristics
3. Best Efficient Operating point (BEP) for pumps

#### Sec 11.1

##### *Pumps:*

- 1) Positive Displacement Pump (PDP)- pushes the liquid by compressing it against a cavity, with an opening suddenly becoming available.
- 2) Rotodynamic Pump(RP): Pushes the fluid by adding momentum to it by means of a fast moving blade

##### *PDP advantage:*

- works with any liquid (viscos or not, Newtonian or not)
- has constant (almost) flow for any system head

##### *PDP disadvantage:*

- usually low Q
- pulsating/unsteady flow (unless a settlement tank is used)

##### *RD advantage:*

- steady flow
- high flow rates compared to PDP
- variable flow depending on the system head

##### *RD disadvantages:*

- Needs “priming” unlike PDP. Priming means that the pump needs to be filled with liquid to start, i.e, to suck liquid
- Moderate pressure
- High viscous liquids (or shear thickening) will degrade the pump performance, significantly.

#### Types of Pump Video:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wsm5zzsBI4s&ab\\_channel=LearningEngineering](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wsm5zzsBI4s&ab_channel=LearningEngineering)

#### Video for working Centrifugal Pump:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BaEHVpKc>

#### Good video to watch to understand how different pumps work!

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1huJZ1XChYE&ab\\_channel=PipingAnalysis](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1huJZ1XChYE&ab_channel=PipingAnalysis)

See Figs. 11.1-11.3 & 11.6 & 11.7 & 11.3

Fig 11.6 7 11.7:

- Pump curves are strictly for a given fluid
- At low  $Q \rightarrow H_p \approx \text{Const.}$  (but pump is inefficient)
- Max  $\eta$  is at  $\sim 0.6Q_{max}$
- Max  $\eta$  point is called BEP (Best Efficiency point) and one should aim for running the pump at BEP.