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# Modelling and simulation of Positive displacement machines with OpenModelica

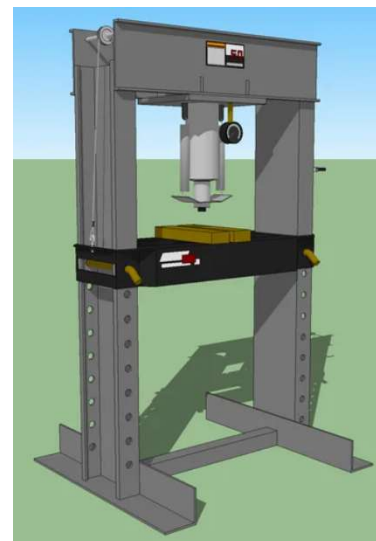
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# Modelling PD Vane Pumps with OpenModelica

Fluid Power for Industrial and Mobile Applications needs to:

- guarantee performances
- be safe and reliable
- be “low cost”
- be efficient
- be hybrid



To guarantee these features:

- combined use of virtual tools during the design of systems and components



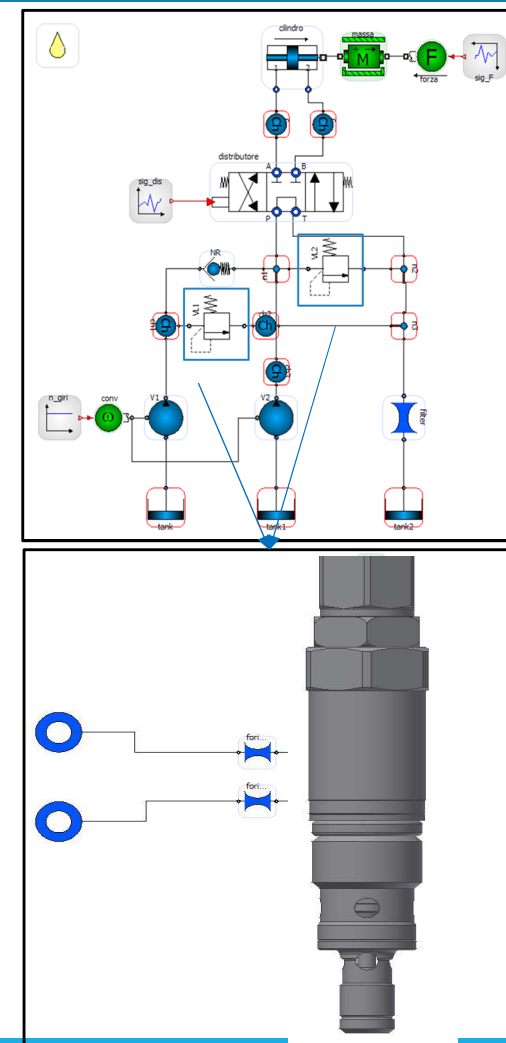
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The focus here is on dynamic behaviour of hydraulic systems and components

- physical modelling of components
- simplified models of components and modelling of entire systems
- integration of systems of different nature (hydraulic, pneumatic, mechanic, electric, control...)

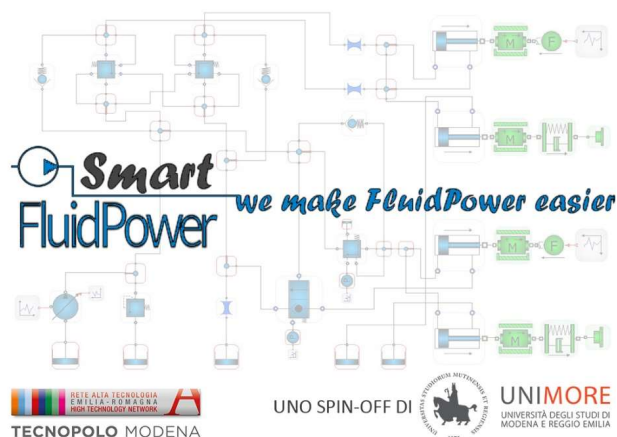
...commercial tools available to do that, but :

- you can't control, change ,adapt the mathematical models of each element
- it's more challenging to develop our own design instruments
- it's more challenging to spread the use of virtual simulation in the small-medium fluid power industry (expensive!)



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SmartFluidPower library is developed in order to ease the simulation of fluid power components and systems



H

Hydraulic package to model complex circuits with valves blocks, pipes, orifices, sensors, cylinders, motors and pumps

M

Package with translational and rotational mechanical elements, sources and sensors

HC

Package made by blocks that can model hydraulic components in detail, such as pistons, poppets, spools, leakages and seals

S

Package with signal blocks in order to introduce various inputs and make different operations, such as logical ones, conversions and interpolations



Other packages set the fluid characteristics and insert ports to interface different models

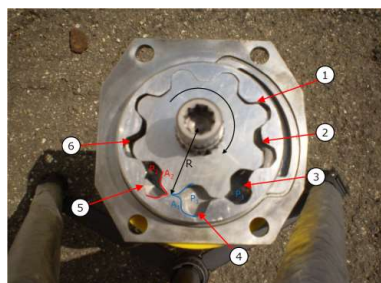
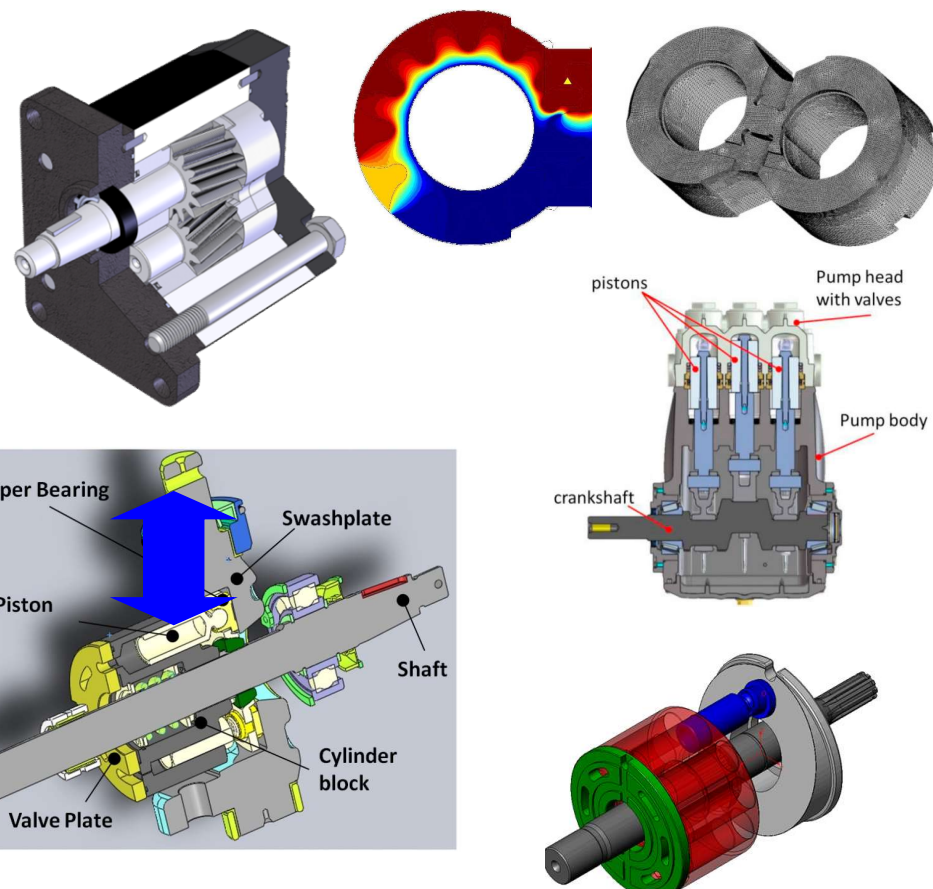


Logic library with ISO symbols for the components to draw hydraulic schemes and simulate their functionality in stationary conditions

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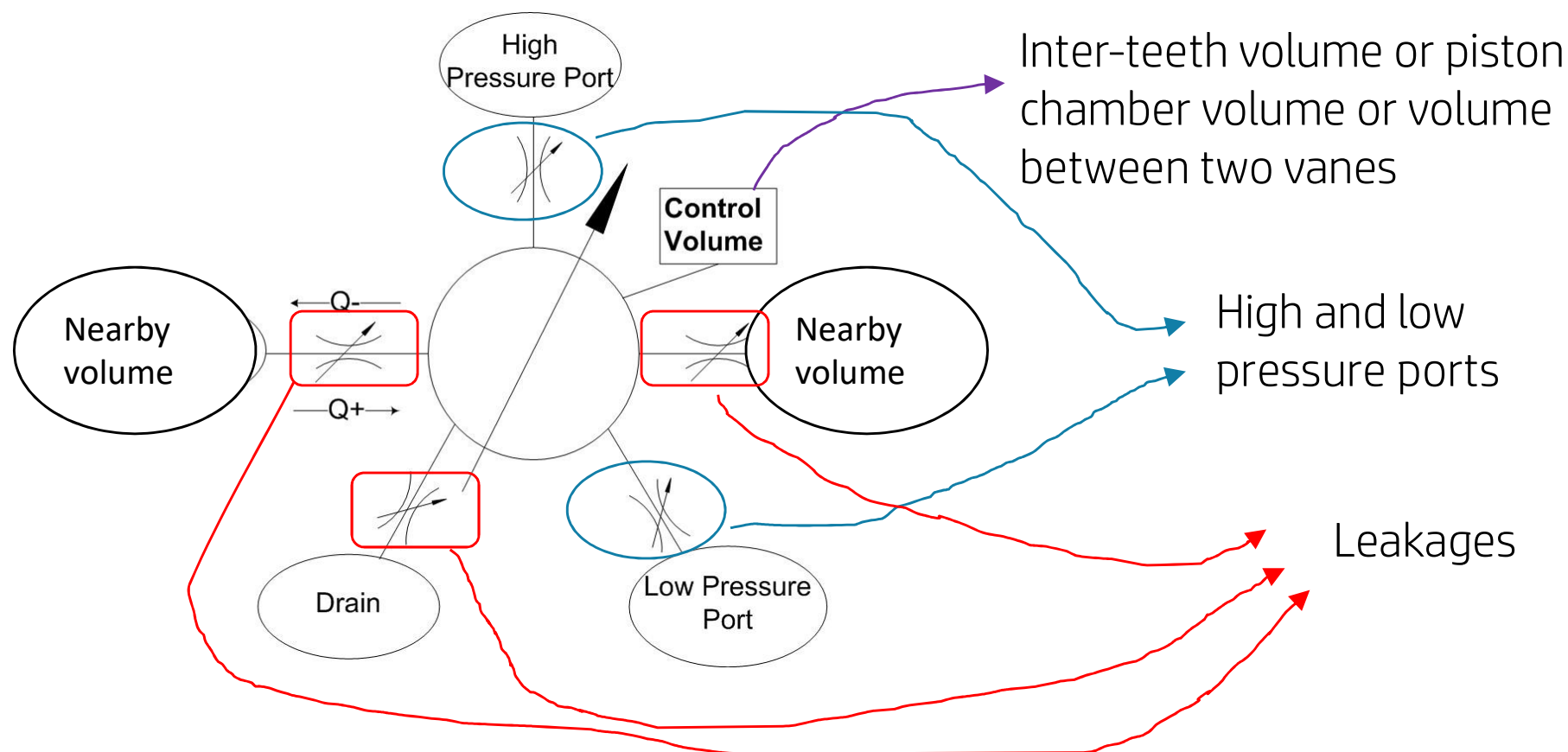
Today we speak about lumped parameter modelling of pumps and motors with our library

- Pressure transients (peaks, cavitation risk...)
- Instantaneous flow rate and torque → flow ripple, torque ripple pressure ripple
- Instantaneous forces on the internal elements (displacement control)
- Interface with the circuit



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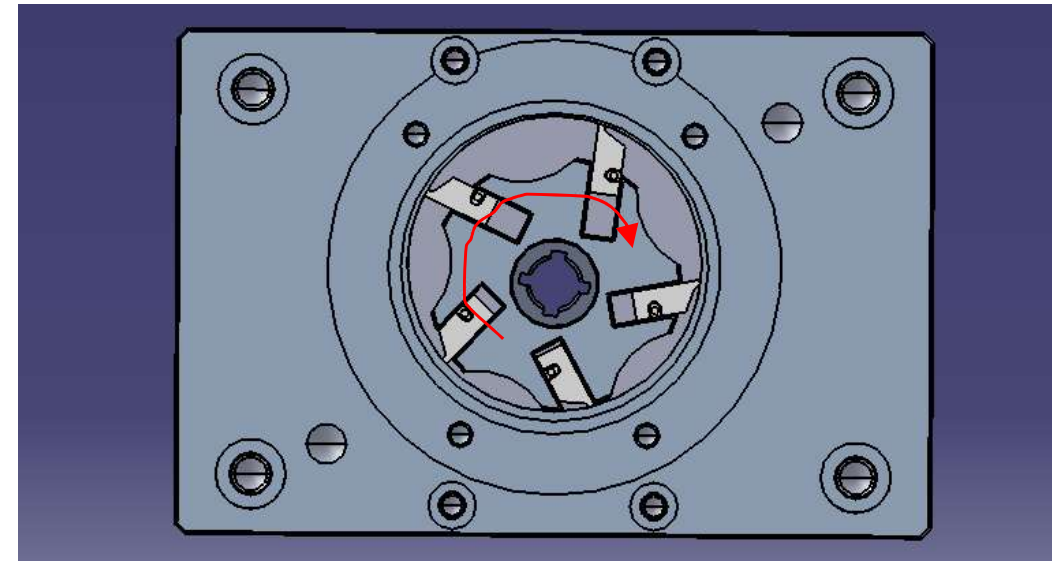
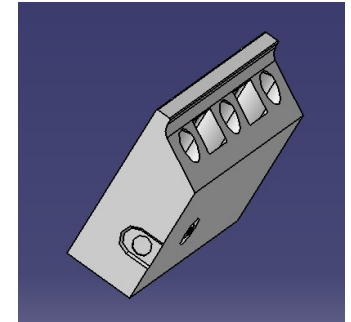
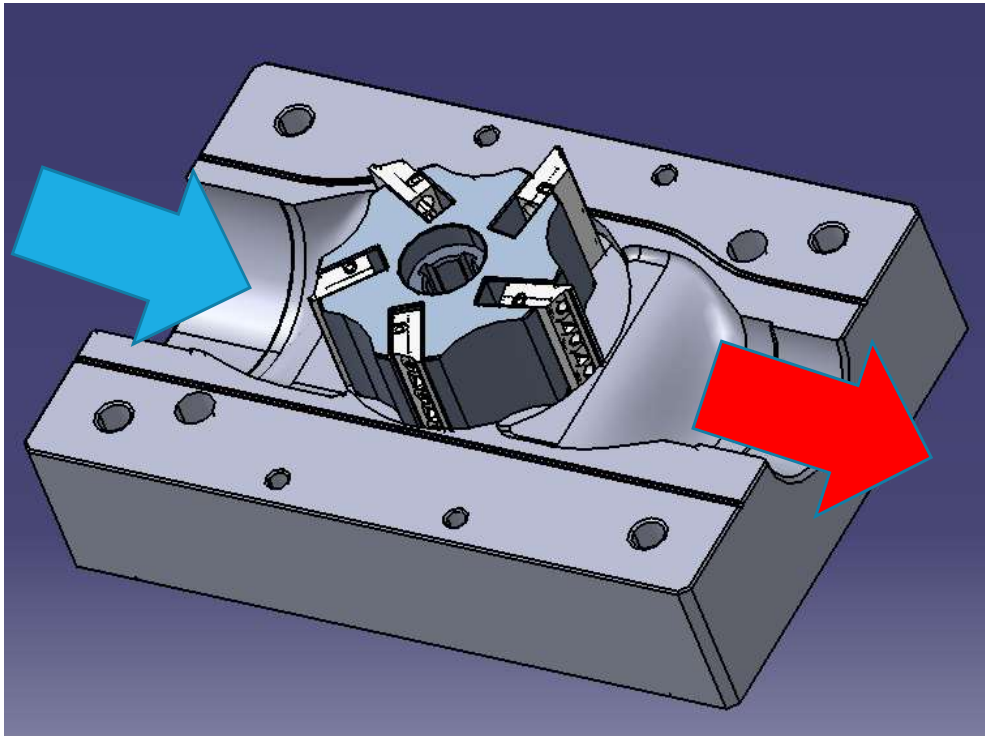
Based on the definition of a Variable Control Volumes within the pump/motor where the pressure transient happens





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Vane Pump for fuel filling applications (low pressure)

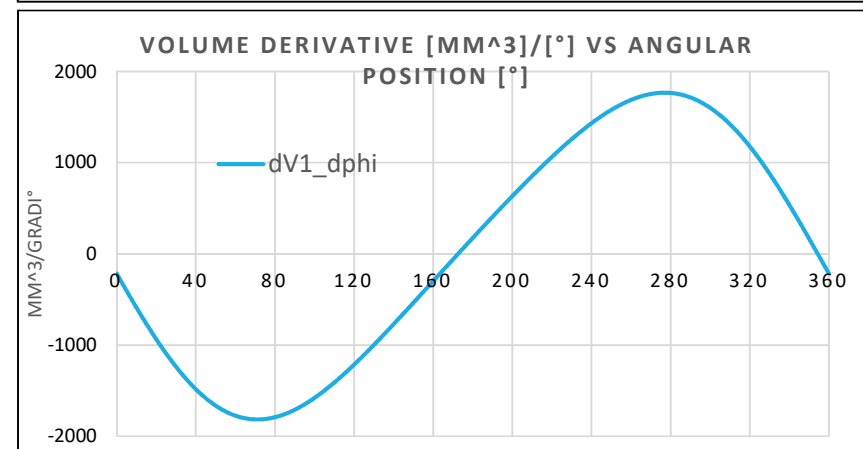
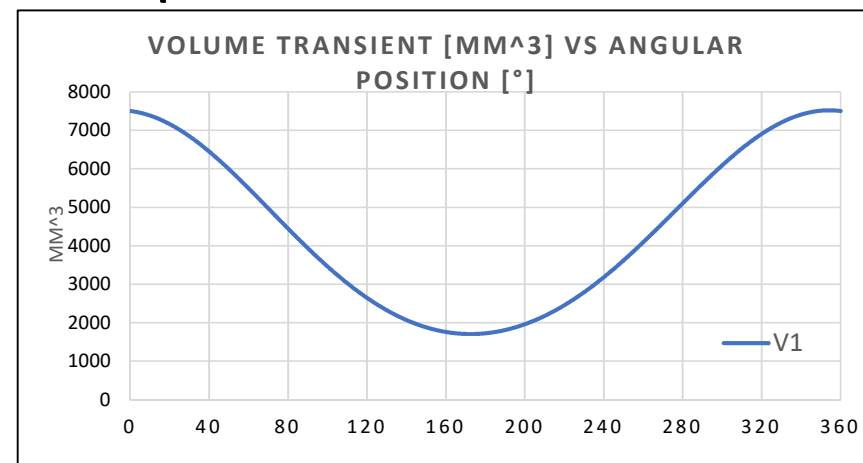
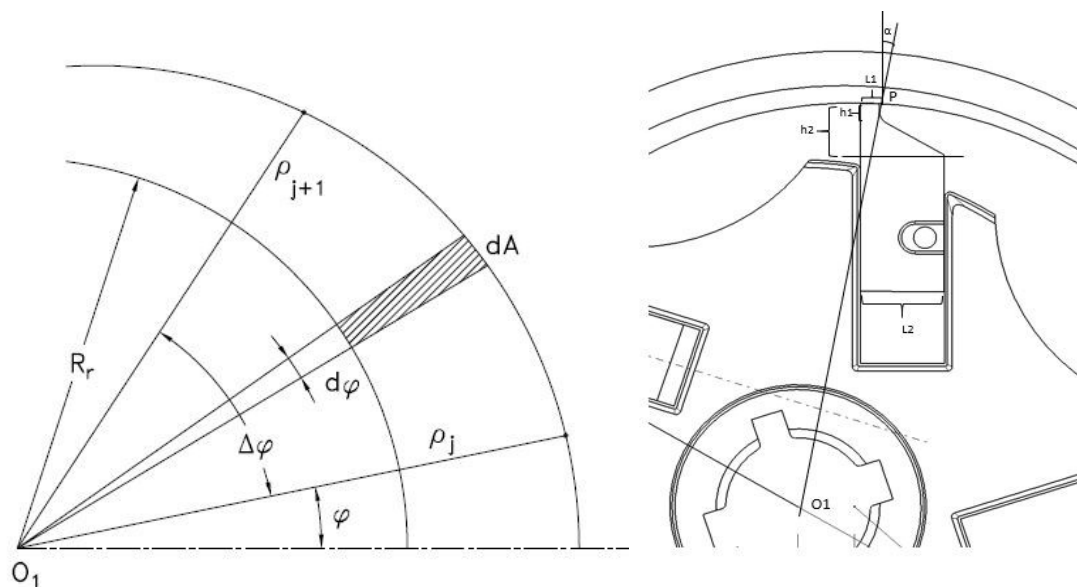


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## Vane Pump for fuel filling applications (low pressure)

Evaluation of the geometry (volume variation, flow areas) inside OpenModelica

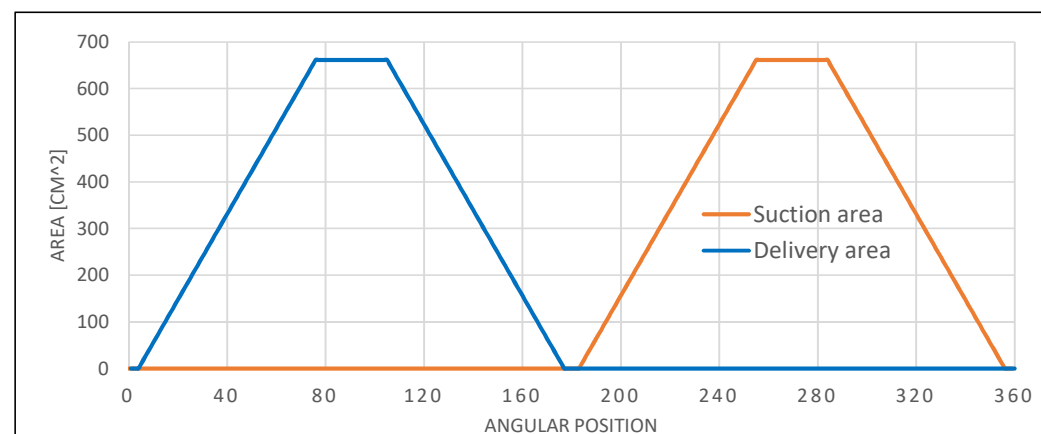
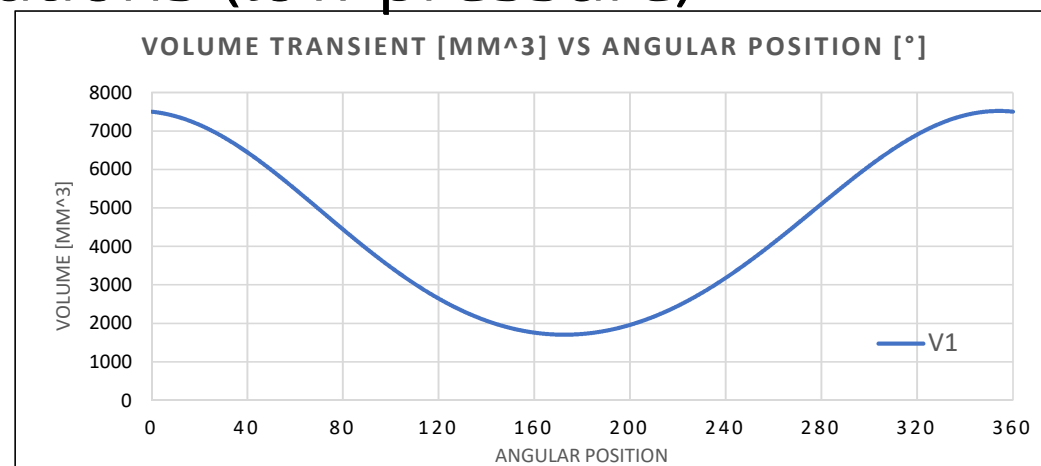
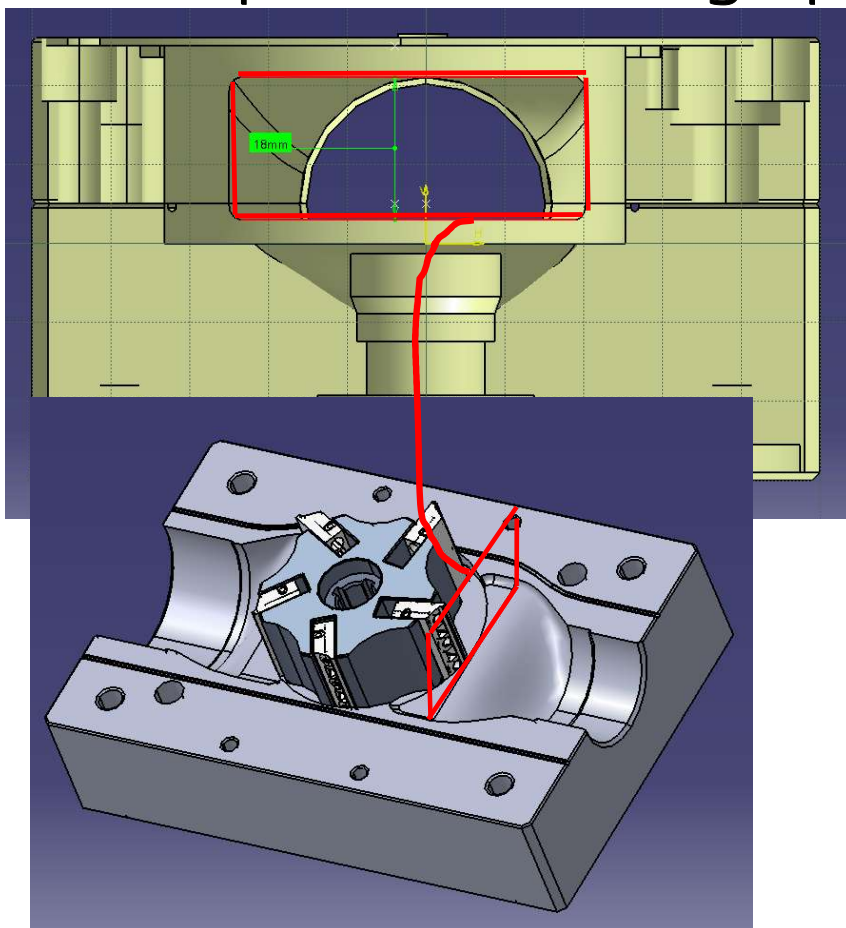
$$\frac{dV_j}{d\varphi} = \frac{1}{2} H \left[ \rho_{j+1}^2 - \rho_j^2 - 2 R_r \frac{dh_j}{d\varphi} \gamma_j - 2 R_r \left( \frac{L2}{R_r} - \gamma_j \right) \frac{dh_j}{d\varphi} \right]$$



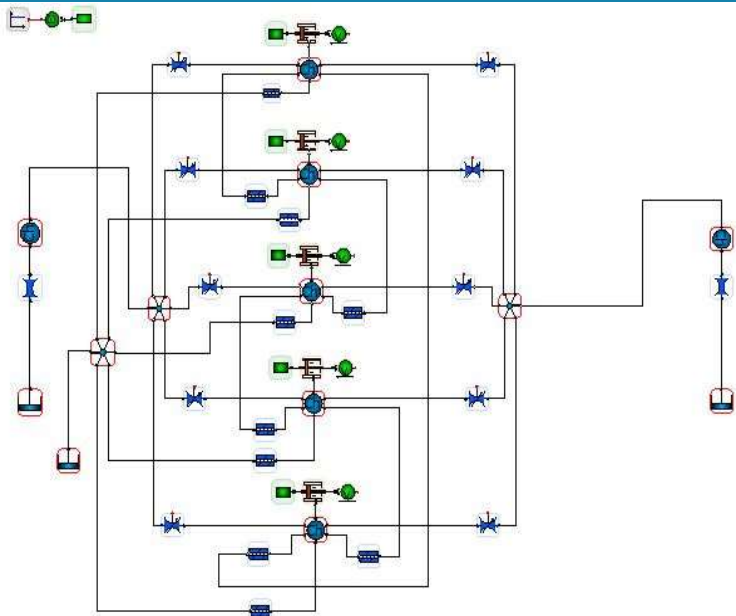


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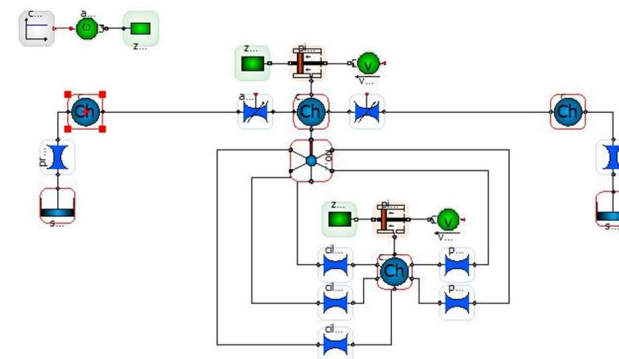
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Simplified model with input geometry coming from the routine written in OpenModelica



Advanced model with vane displacement and velocity as input



$$\frac{dp}{dt} = \frac{B}{V} \left[ \sum_{i=0}^n Q_i - \frac{dV}{dt} \right]$$

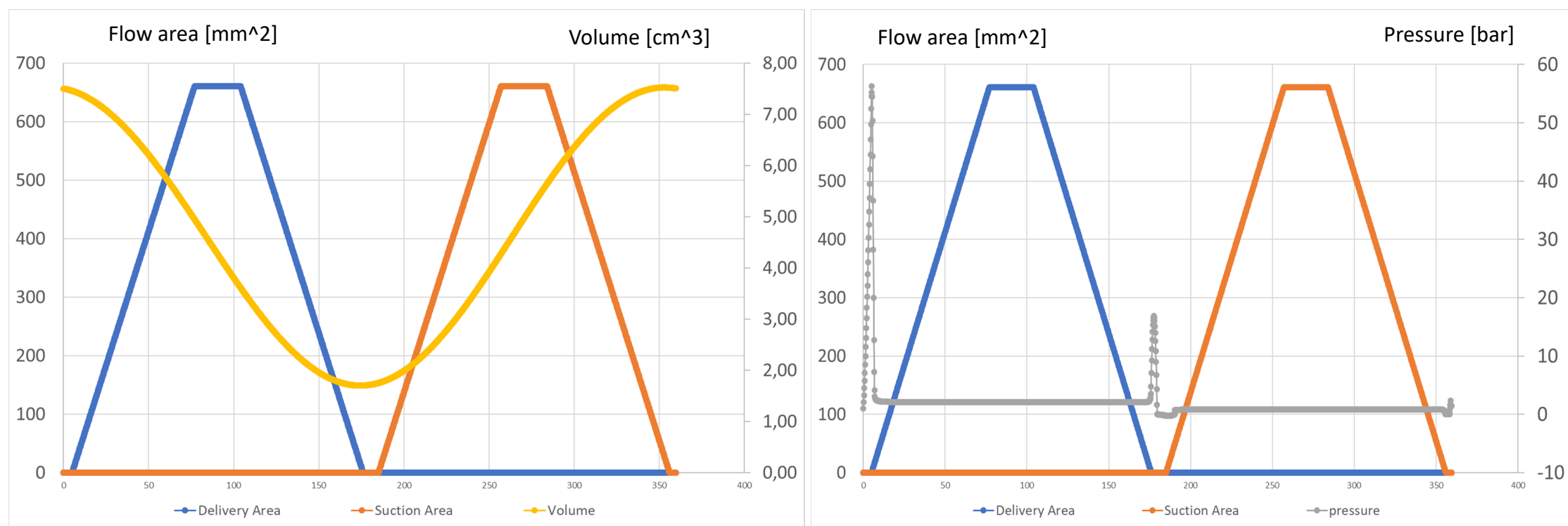
$$\omega = \frac{d\theta}{dt} \Rightarrow \frac{dp}{d\theta} = \frac{B}{V} \left[ \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{Q_i}{\omega} - \frac{dV(\theta)}{d\theta} \right]$$



Turbulent flow rate  
Laminar flow rate

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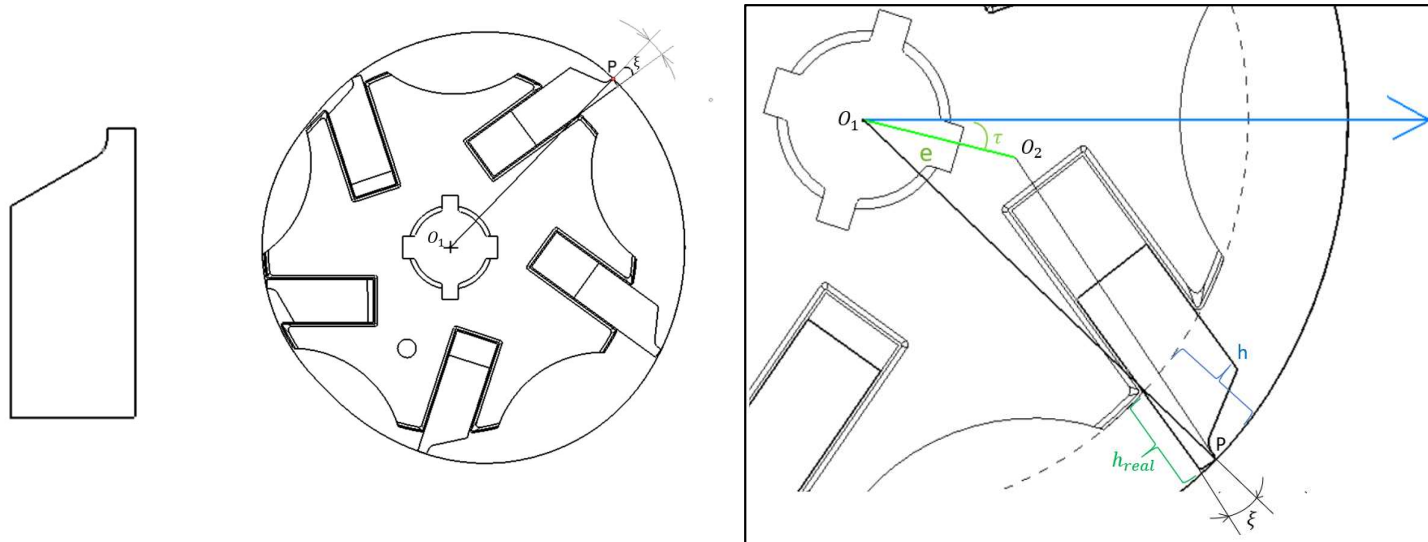
Results @ delivery pressure = 2 bar, rotational speed 3000 rpm



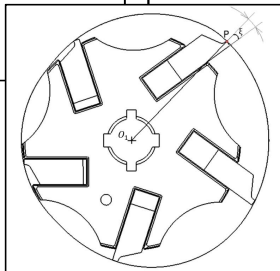
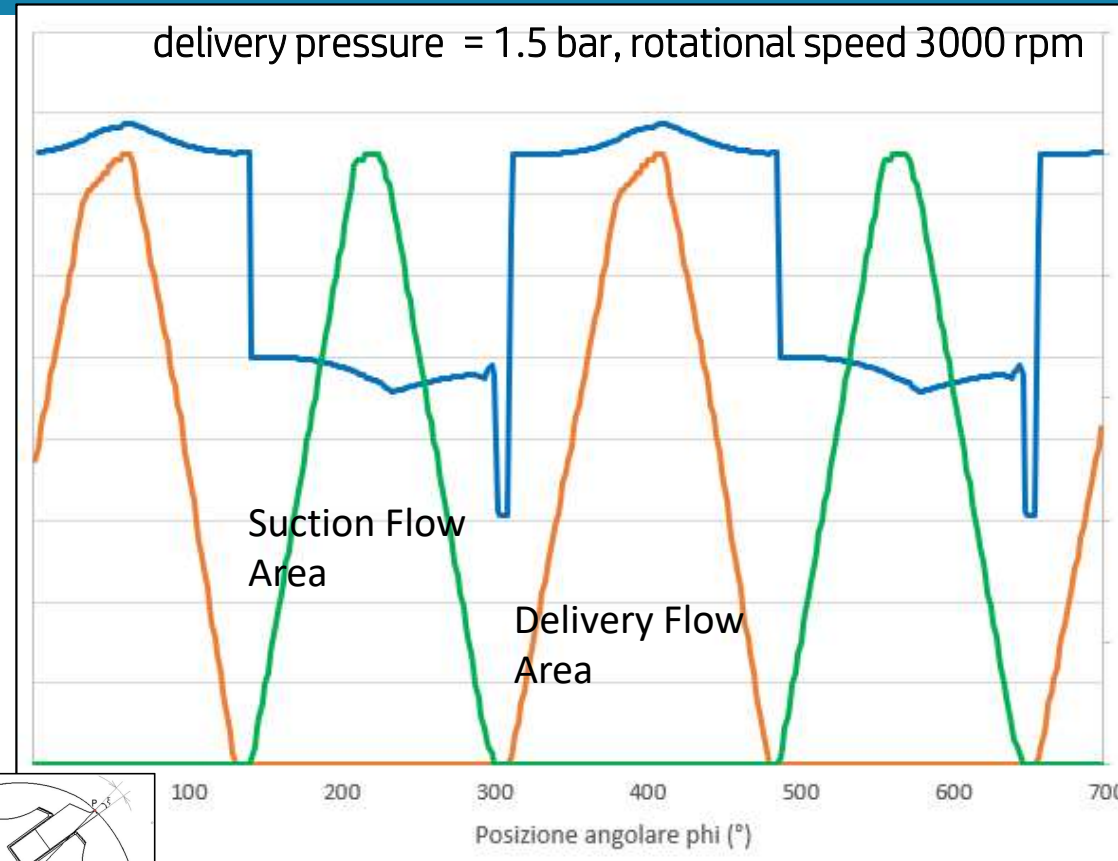
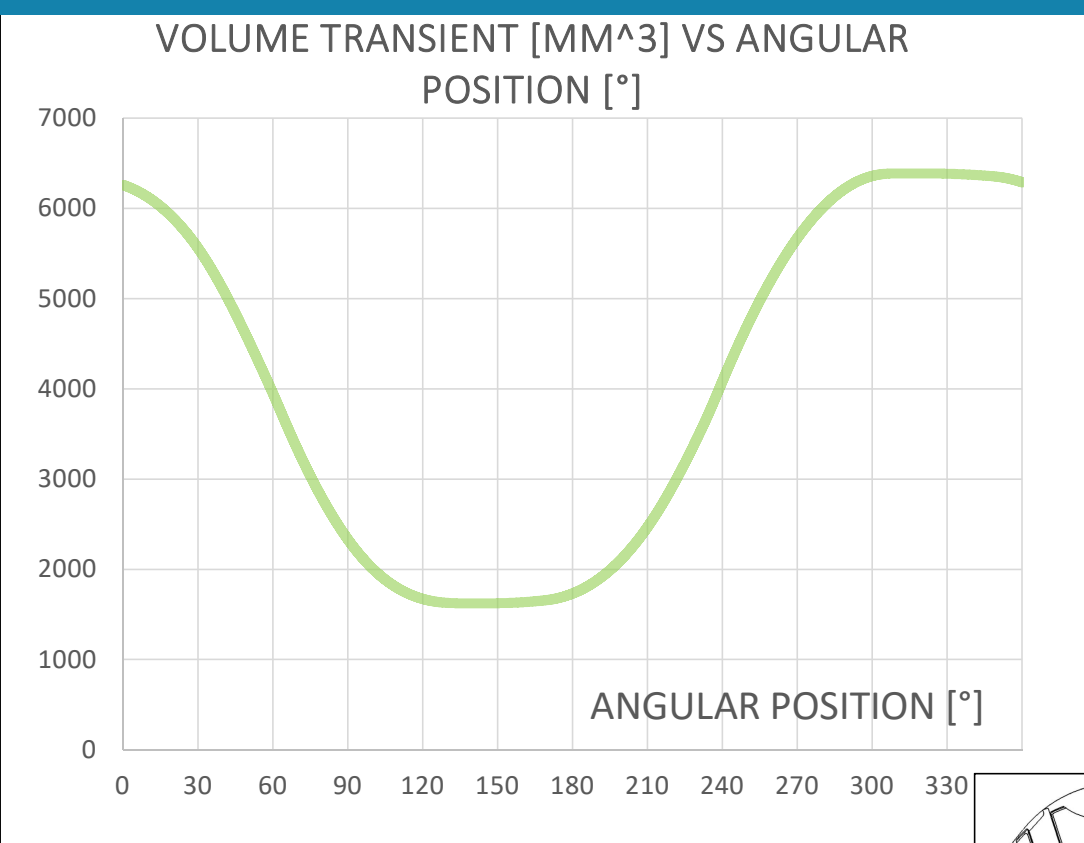
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## Design Analysis



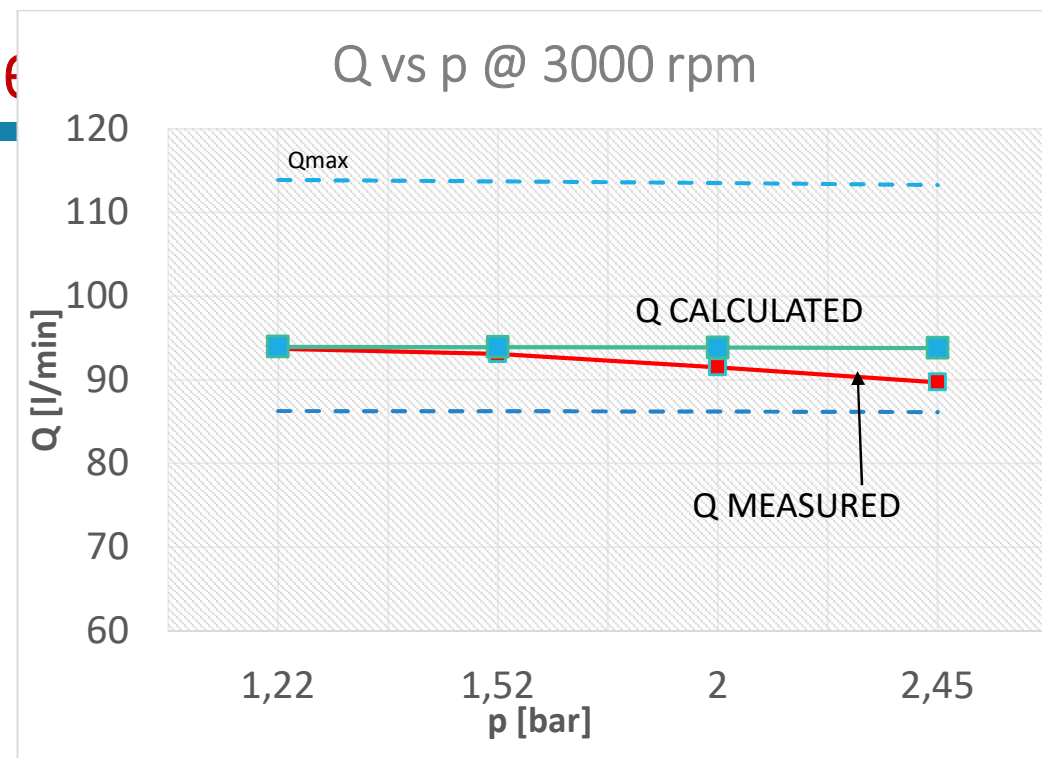
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## Remarks:

- Better identify leakages!
- Good design tool for geometry variation and pressure and flow rate transients evaluation
- Integration of the geometry and «hydraulic» performances evaluation within the same tool
- post-processing via VB or other tools





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Thank you for your  
kind attention