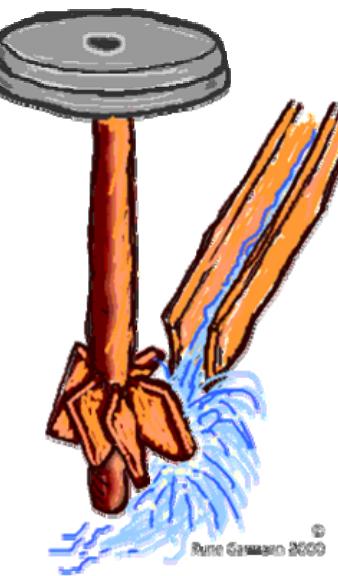
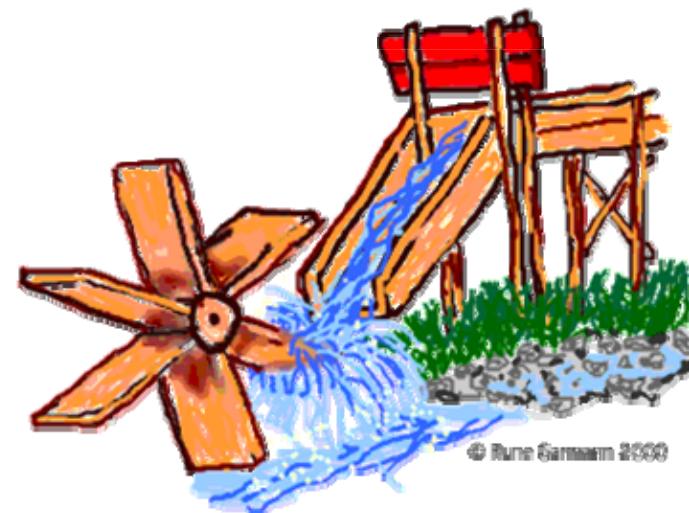
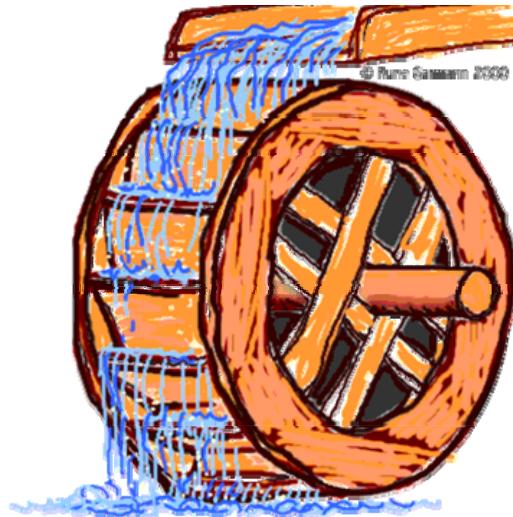
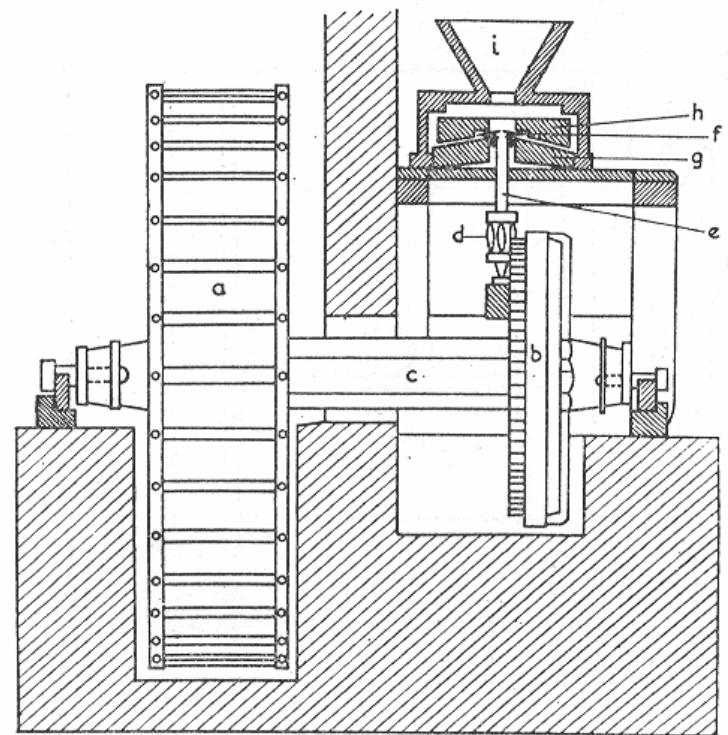


# Turbines for very low head



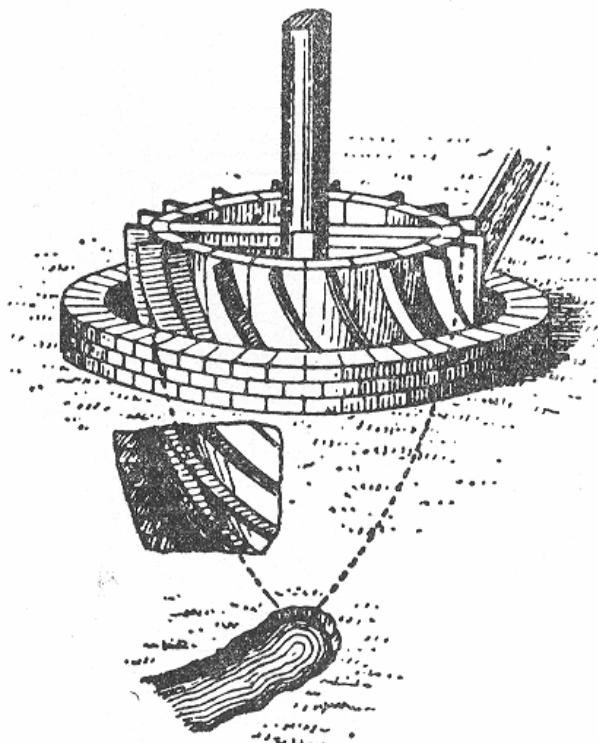
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- The oldest known text that mentions a water-powered machine is over 2000 years old
- Norse mills had then already been used for a long time in the mediterranean countries

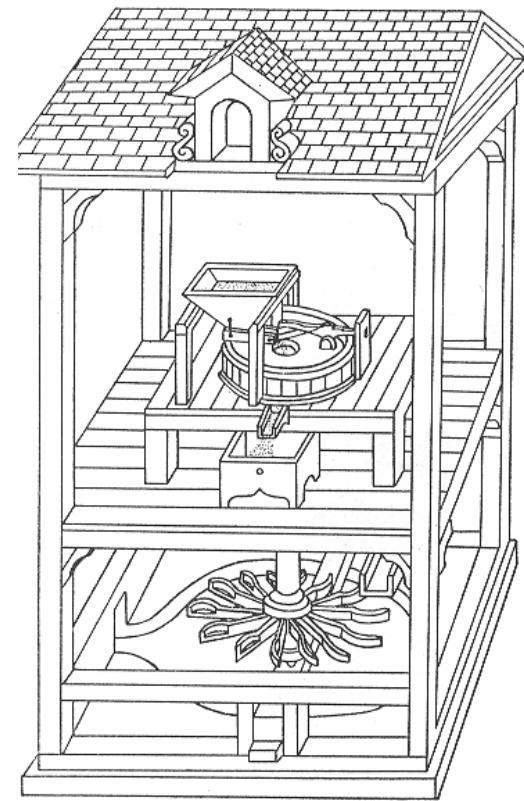


Vitruvius mill with gear

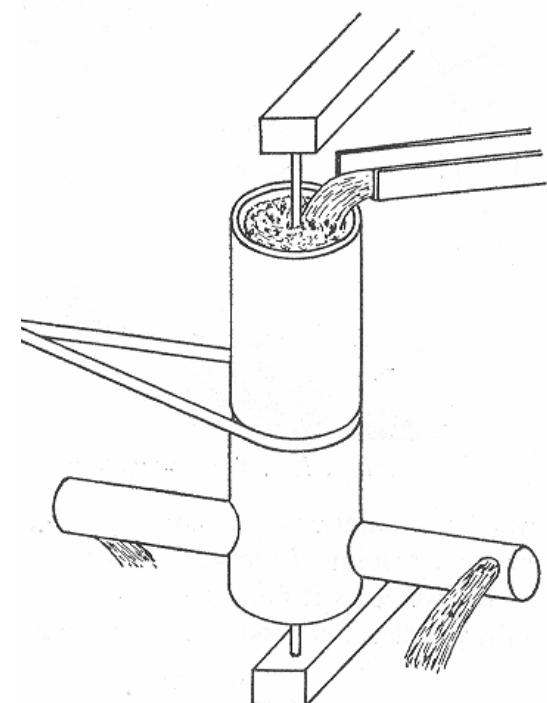
Besson 1568



Ramelli 1588



Barker 1740  
Segner 1750

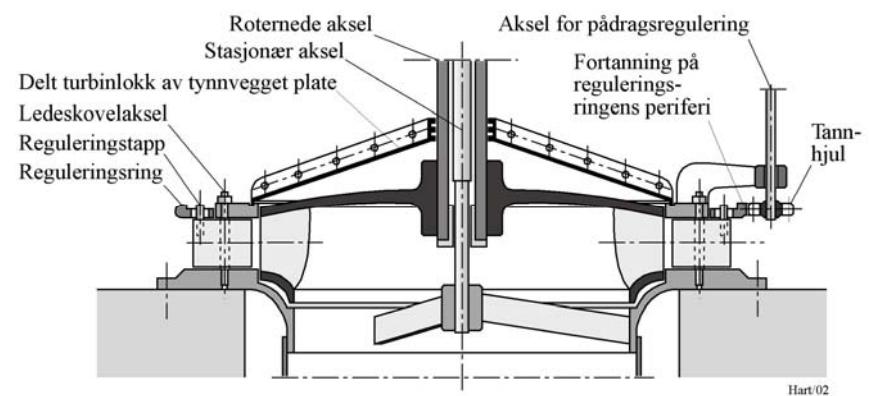
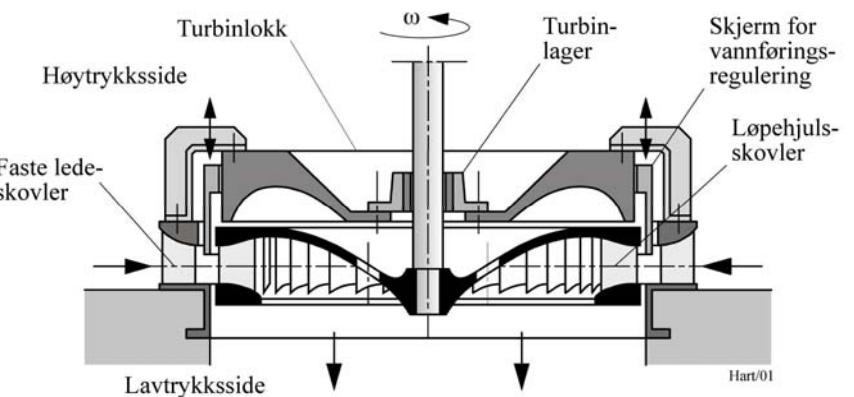


## Turbine development – modern time

- 1750 J.A.Segner – reaction turbine
- 1750-54 Euler develops the turbine theory
- 1827 Forneyron - radial turbine, 30 – 40 hp, D = 0.5 m
- 1840 Henschel/Jonval – aksial turbine  
Jonval – draft tube
- 1849 Francis – Francis turbine  
Fink – Load regulation with guide vanes
- 1890 Pelton – Pelton turbine, impilse turbine
- 1913 Kaplan – Kaplan turbine, propeller

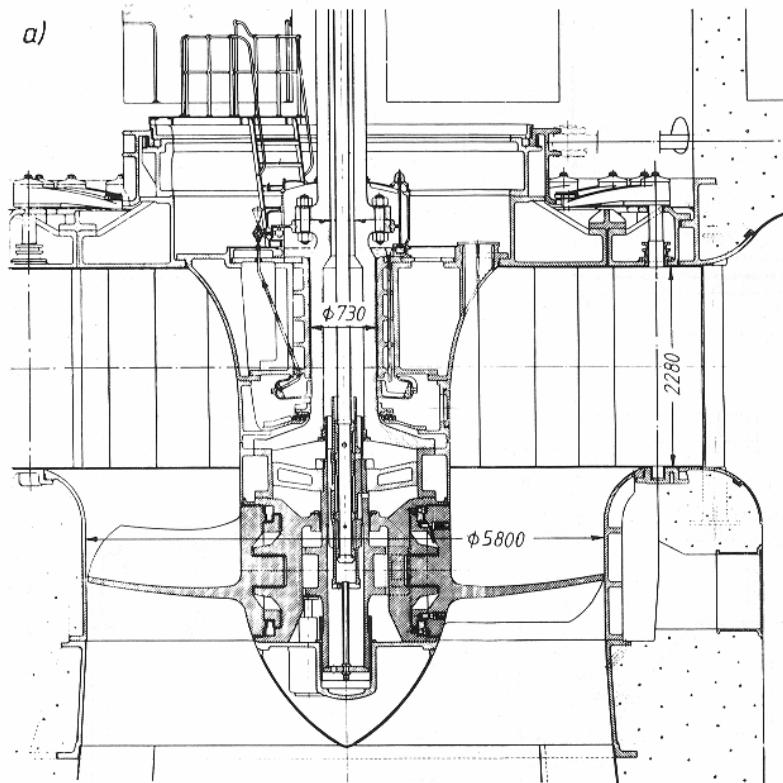
# Francis turbin

- 1855: J. B. Francis presents a inward-flow turbine
- Hydraulically well-shaped vanes and blades
- Efficiency equal to Fourneyron and Jonval turbines
- 1873: Voith and Kankelwitz add adjustable guide vanes

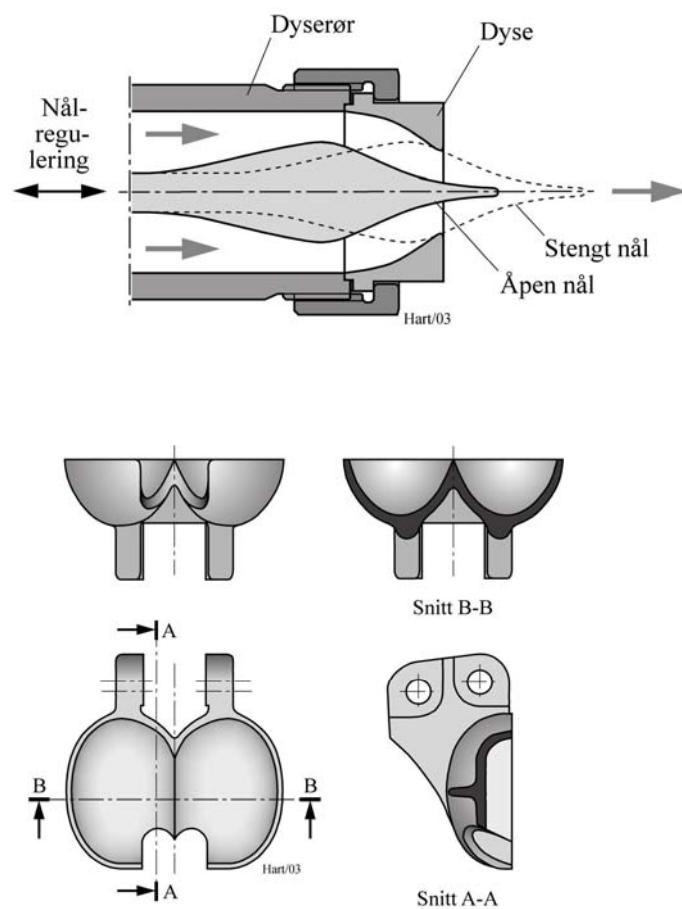
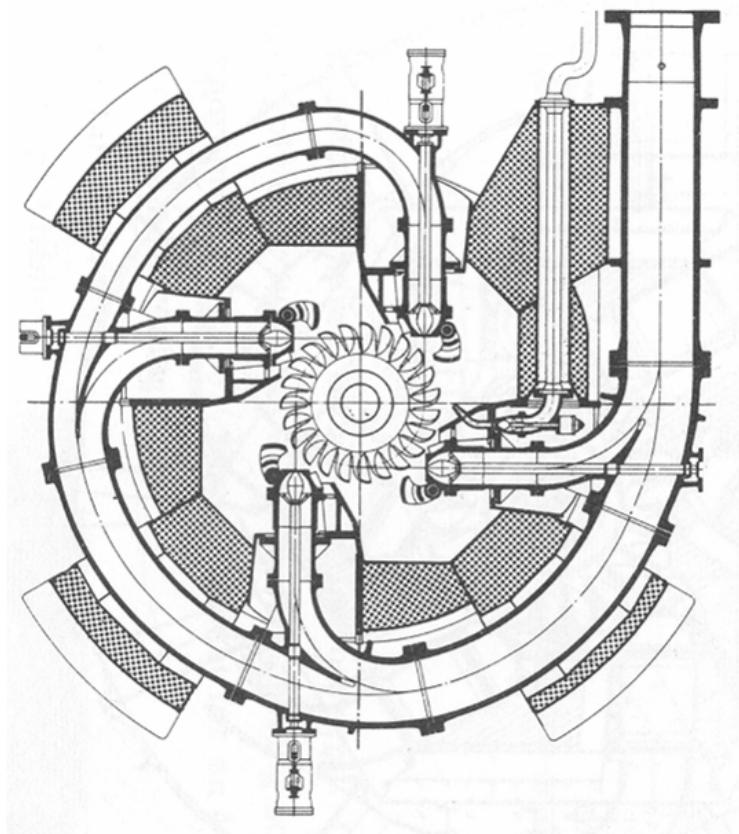


# Kaplan

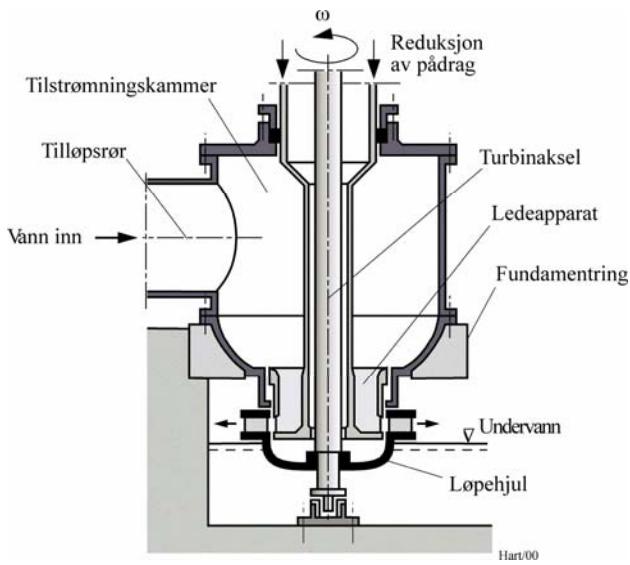
- 1926: First large Kaplan turbine installed at Lilla Edet
- Efficiency up to 92,5%
- Part load efficiency above 83%
- Final breakthrough for Kaplan turbines



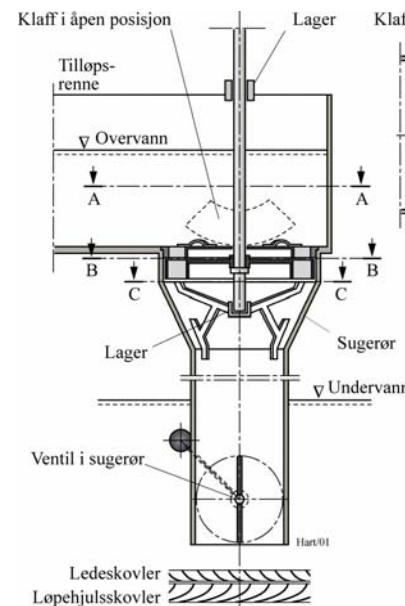
## Pelton turbine – impulse turbine



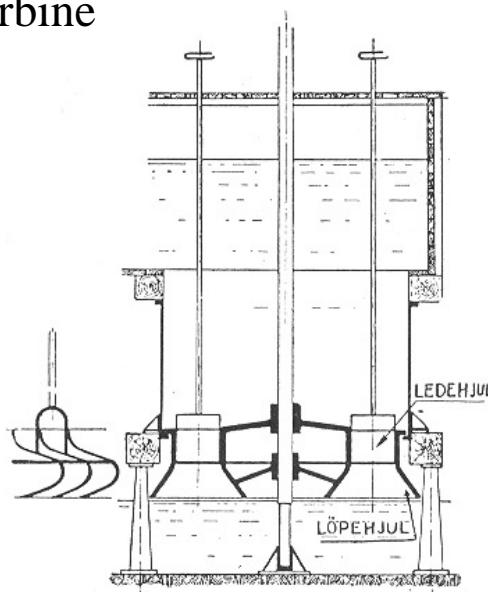
## Fourneyron turbine



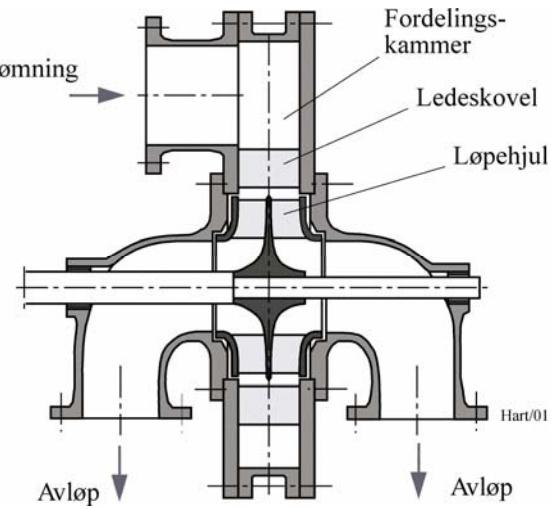
## Jonval-Henschel turbine



## The Girard turbine

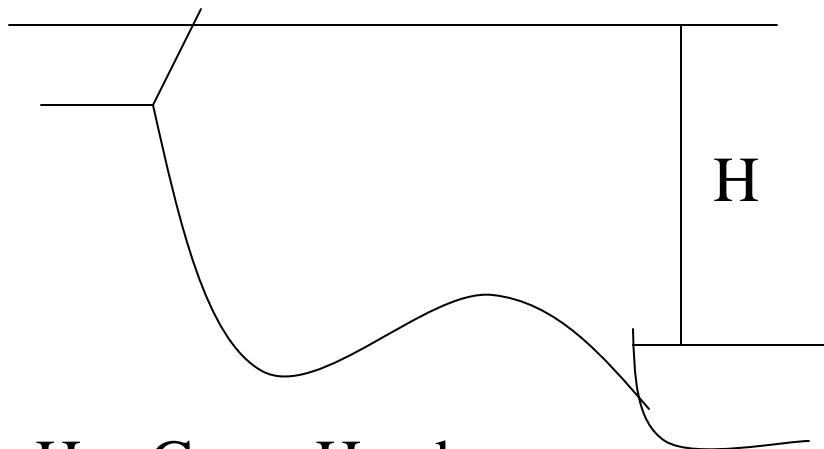


## Thomson



# Hydraulic energy

Available from nature



$H$  = Gross Head

$Q$  – Flow

$\rho$  – density

$g$  – gravitation

$$P = \rho g Q H$$

$$\left[ \frac{\text{kg m m}^3}{\text{m}^3 \text{s}^2 \text{s}} \text{ m} \right]$$

$$= \left[ \frac{\text{Nm}}{\text{s}} \right] = [\text{W}]$$

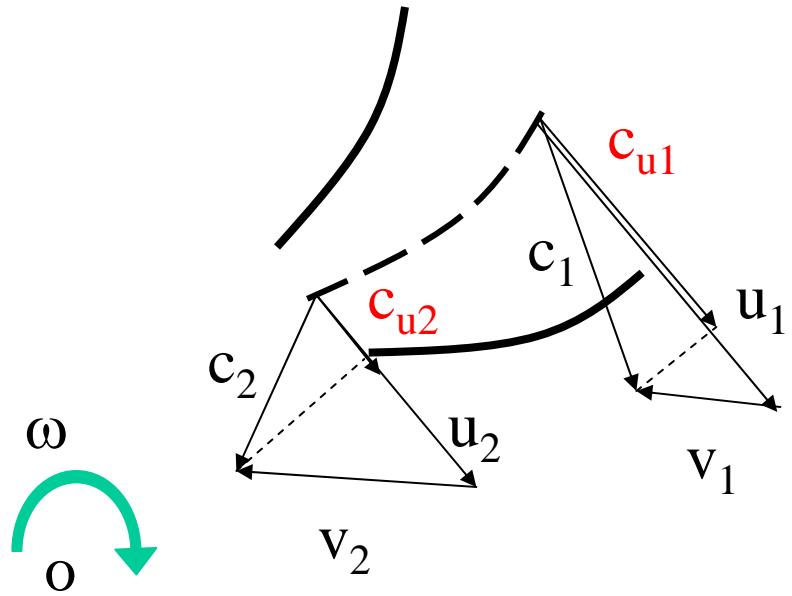
# Power transformation

Hydraulic power

⇒ Mechanical rotating power

⇒ Electric energy

$$\rho g Q H \xrightarrow{\text{Turbine}} M\omega \xrightarrow{\text{Generator}} UI$$



## Velocity components

$u$  – peripheral velocity

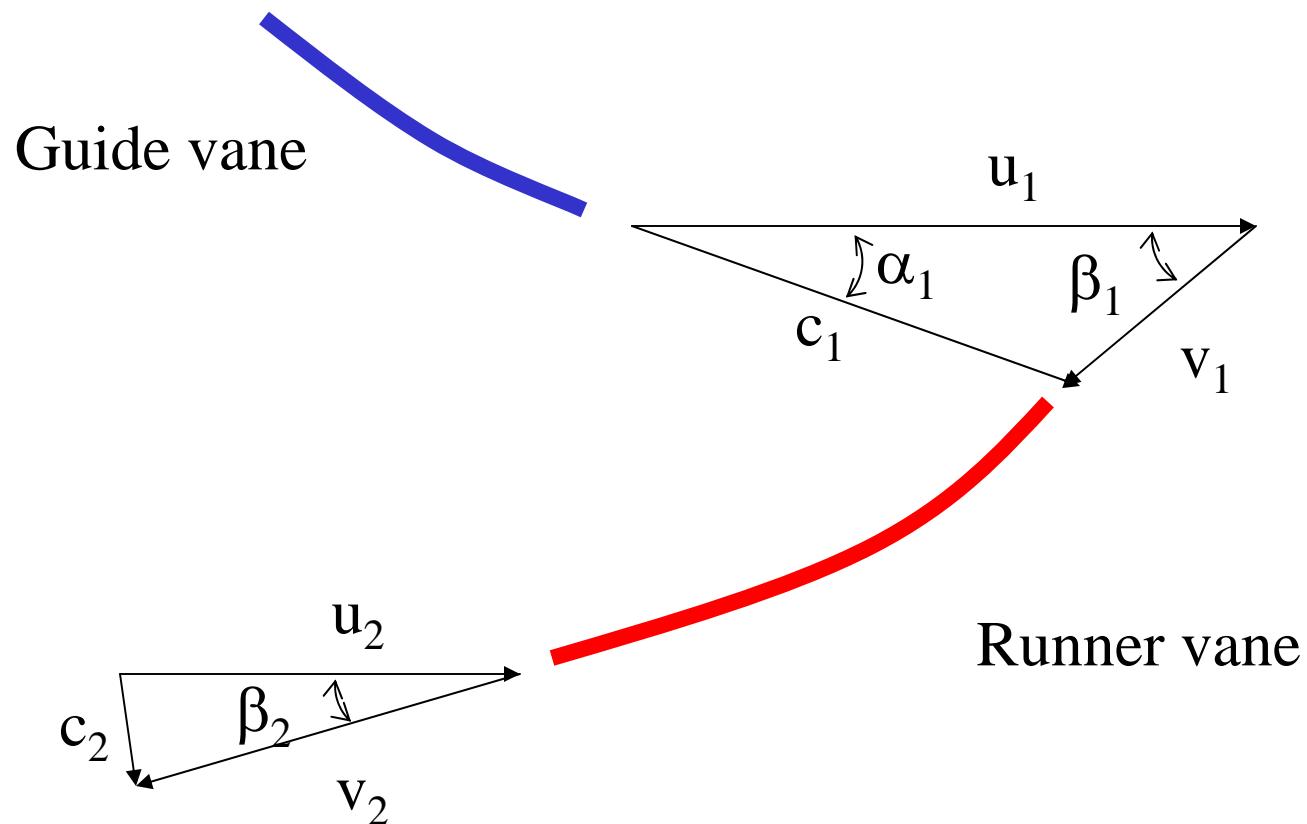
$v$  – relative velocity

$c$  – absolute velocity

$$P = \rho Q(u_1 c_{u1} - u_2 c_{u2})$$

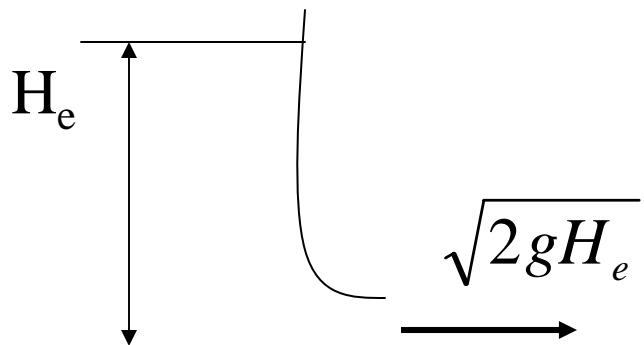
$$\bar{c} = \bar{u} + \bar{v}$$

# Inlet – and outlet velocity triangle



## Dimensionless velocities

All velocities are scaled related to the velocity of  
"Toricellis theorem" - Reduced velocities:



$$\underline{c} = \frac{c}{\sqrt{2gH_e}}$$

$$\underline{u} = \frac{c}{\sqrt{2gH_e}}$$

$$\underline{v} = \frac{c}{\sqrt{2gH_e}}$$

Hydraulic efficiency:

$$\eta_h = \frac{P}{P_{natur}}$$

$$P = T\omega = \rho Q(u_1 c_{u1} - u_2 c_{u2})$$

$$P_{natur} = \rho g Q H_e$$

$$\eta_h = \frac{\rho Q(u_1 c_{u1} - u_2 c_{u2})}{\rho g Q H_e} = \frac{(u_1 c_{u1} - u_2 c_{u2})}{g H_e}$$

Or:

$$g H_e = \eta_h (u_1 c_{u1} - u_2 c_{u2})$$

Introducing reduced velocities:

$$\eta_h H_e = \frac{1}{g} (u_1 c_{u1} - u_2 c_{u2}) \quad \left| \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2gH_e}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2gH_e}}$$

$$\frac{\eta_h H_e}{2gH_e} = \frac{1}{g} \left( \frac{u_1 c_{u1}}{\sqrt{2gH_e}} - \frac{u_2 c_{u2}}{\sqrt{2gH_e}} \right)$$

$$\eta_h = 2(u_1 c_{u1} - u_2 c_{u2})$$

Reduced flow:

$$\underline{Q} = \frac{Q}{\sqrt{2gH_e}} \quad [m^2]$$

Reduced angular speed:

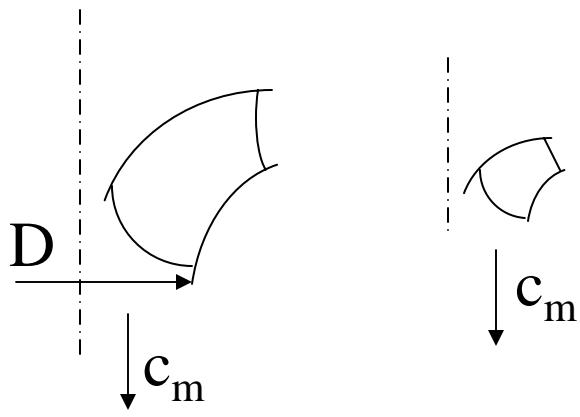
$$\underline{\omega} = \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{2gH_e}} \quad \left[ \frac{1}{m} \right]$$

Then the following equations still applies:  $\underline{Q} = A\underline{c}$

$$\underline{u} = \underline{\omega}$$

# Speed number – classification of turbines

Geometric similar turbines but different in size,  
Shall have the same specification – a speed number



Two geometric similar turbines has the same reduced velocity triangles:

$$1) \quad \underline{c}_m = \frac{\underline{Q}}{\frac{\pi}{4} D^2} \Rightarrow \frac{\underline{Q}}{D^2} = konst_1$$

$$2) \quad \underline{u} = \underline{\omega} D \Rightarrow \underline{\omega} D = konst_2$$

From eq. 2:  $\frac{1}{D} = \frac{\underline{\omega}}{konst_2}$

Put in eq. 1:  $\frac{\underline{Q} \underline{\omega}^2}{konst_2} = konst_1$

}

$$\underline{\omega} \sqrt{\underline{Q}} = konst$$

$$\underline{\Omega} = \underline{\omega} \sqrt{\underline{Q}}$$
 Speed number

The turbine must be designed optimal for a given operational point defined by:  
Q, H og w (or RPM) \* - denotes BEP :

$$*\underline{\Omega} = *\underline{\omega} \sqrt{*\underline{Q}}$$

Another classification number is "specific speed":

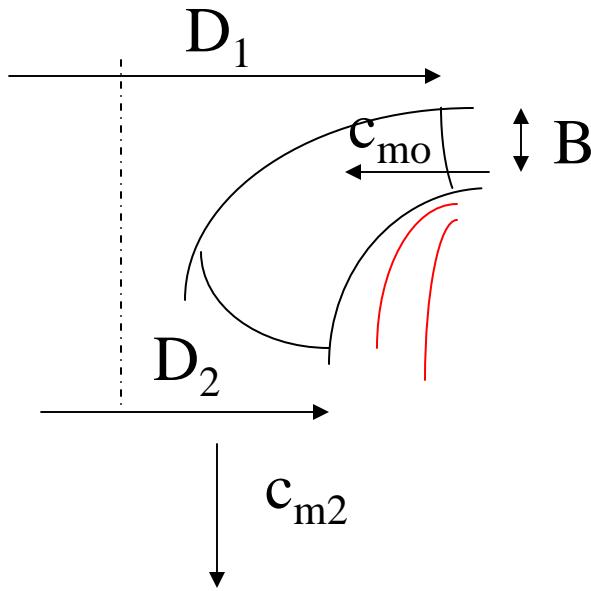
$$n_q = \frac{n\sqrt{Q}}{H^{3/4}}$$

$$n_q = 89 \underline{\Omega}$$

## How the form of a turbine changes with the speed number:

Speed number:  $\underline{\Omega} = \underline{\omega} \sqrt{Q}$

eller:  $\underline{\Omega} = \frac{\underline{\omega}}{\sqrt{2gH_e}} \sqrt{\frac{Q}{\sqrt{2gH_e}}}$



$$\underline{c}_{m2} = \frac{\underline{Q}}{\frac{\pi}{4} D_2^2} \Rightarrow D_2^2 = \frac{\underline{Q}}{\frac{\pi}{4} \underline{c}_{m2}}$$

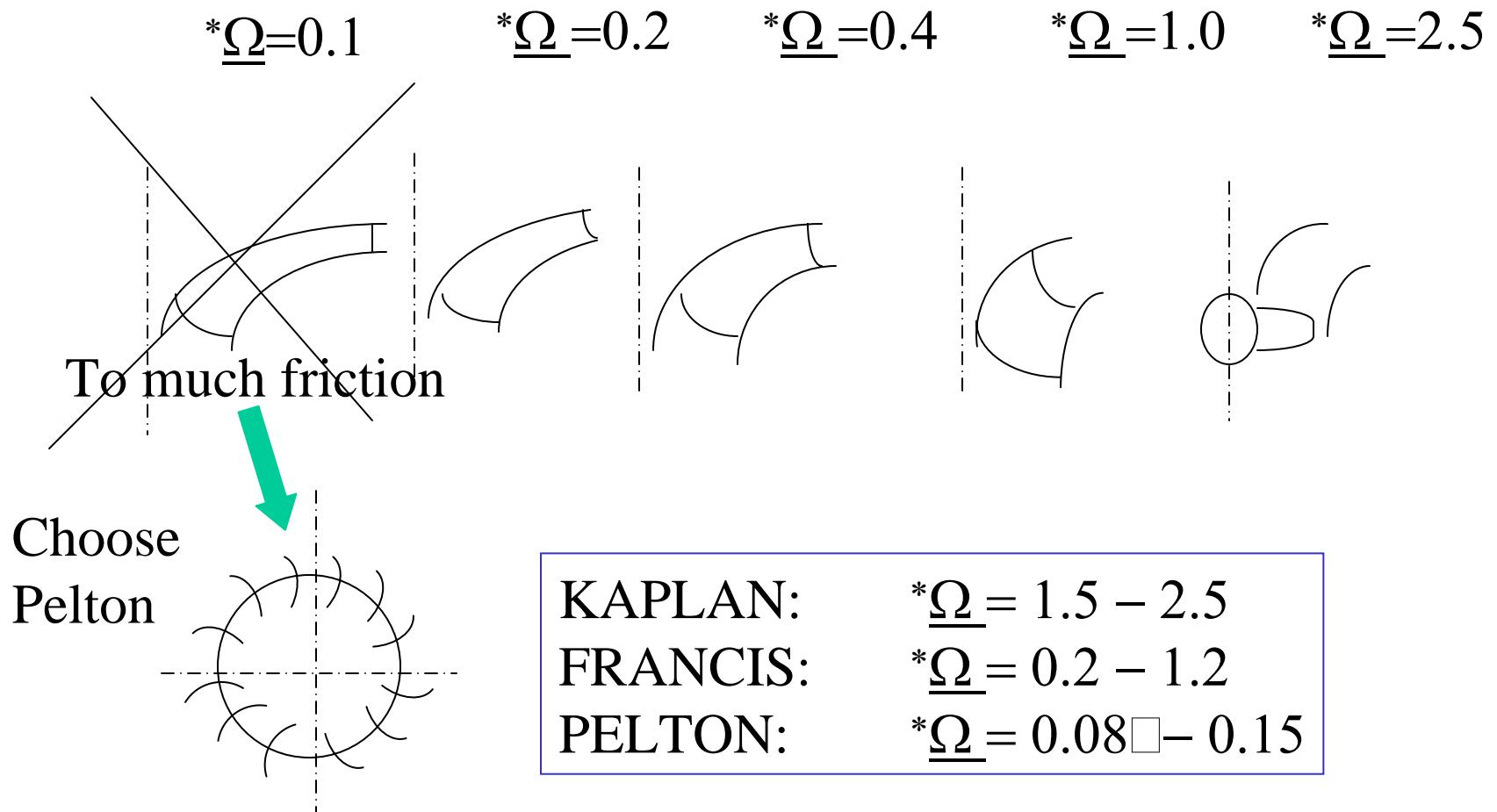
$$\underline{u}_1 = \underline{\omega} \frac{D_1}{2} \Rightarrow D_1 = \underline{u}_1 \frac{2\sqrt{2gH_e}}{\underline{\omega}}$$

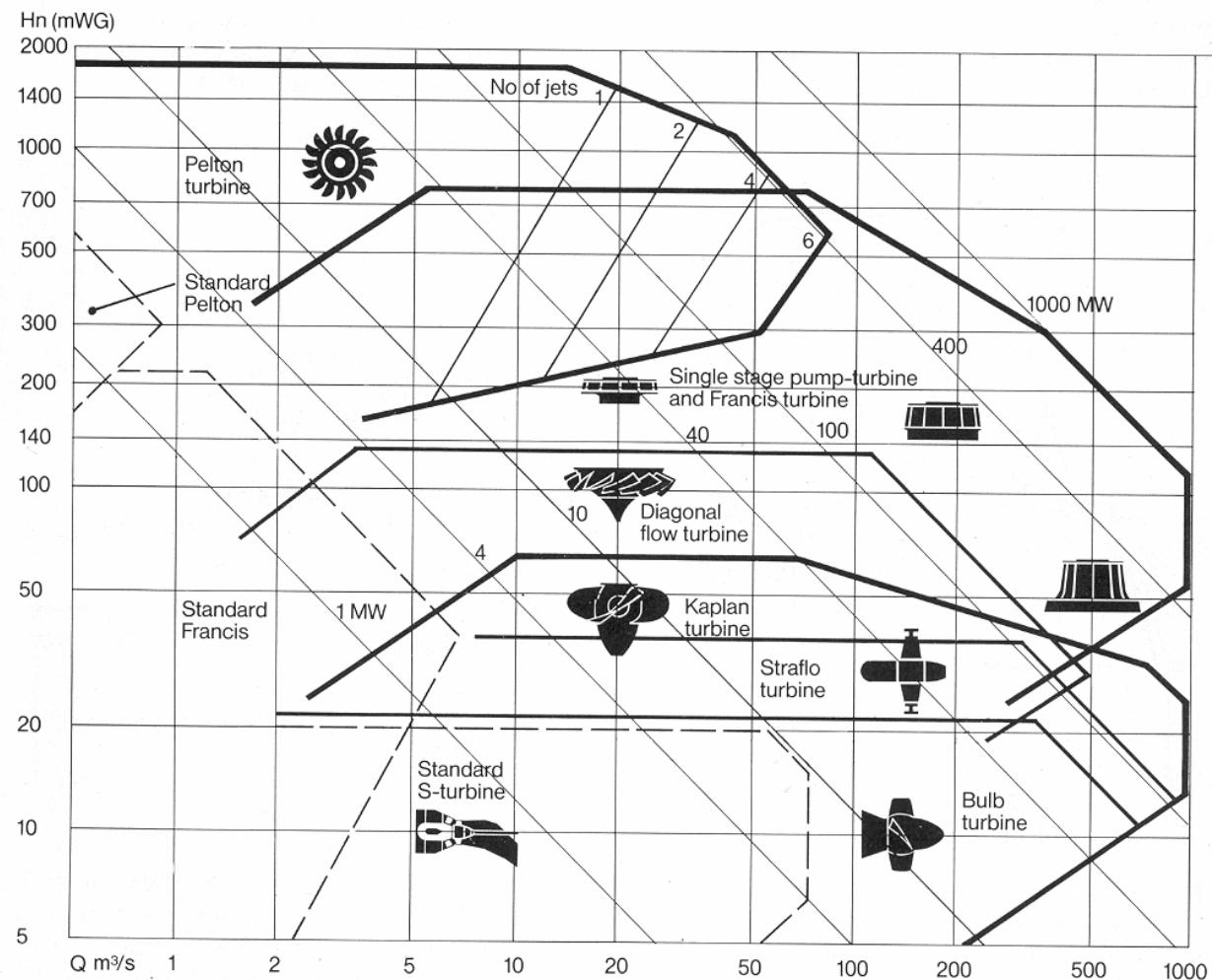
$$\underline{Q} = \pi D_1 B \underline{c}_{mo} \Rightarrow B = \frac{\underline{Q}}{\pi D_1 \underline{c}_{mo}}$$

The reduced velocities are approximate constant

Increased speed number:  $D_2$  and  $B$  increases

# Turbine types





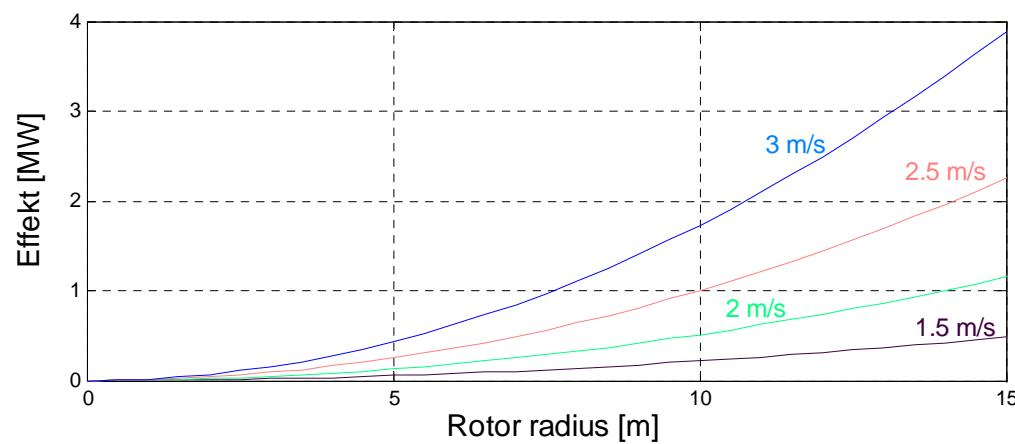
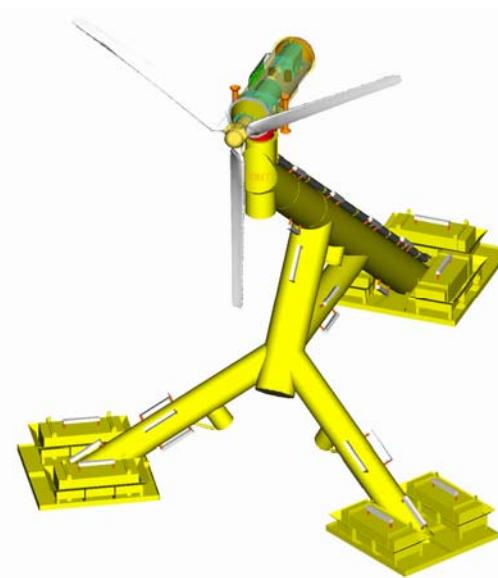
# Turbindimensjoner

|                  |               |               |              |              |                   | Lavtrykks vannkraft: |                   |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| H                | 3             | 3             | 5            | 5            | m                 | 35                   | m                 |
| Q                | 5             | 10            | 10           | 100          | m <sup>3</sup> /s | 80                   | m <sup>3</sup> /s |
| Polpar           | 15            | 20            | 14           | 40           |                   | 10                   |                   |
| n                | 200           | 150           | 214,2857     | 75           | RPM               | 300                  | RPM               |
| eta              | 0,8           | 0,8           | 0,8          | 0,8          |                   | 0,8                  |                   |
| <b>Effekt</b>    | <b>117,84</b> | <b>235,68</b> | <b>392,8</b> | <b>3928</b>  | <b>kW</b>         | <b>21996,8</b>       | <b>kW</b>         |
|                  |               |               |              |              |                   |                      |                   |
| w                | 20,94         | 15,71         | 22,44        | 7,85         | rad/s             | 31,42                | rad/s             |
| sqrt(2gH)        | 7,67          | 7,67          | 9,90         | 9,90         | m/s               | 26,20                | m/s               |
|                  |               |               |              |              |                   |                      |                   |
| Qred             | 0,65          | 1,30          | 1,01         | 10,10        |                   | 3,05                 |                   |
| wred             | 2,73          | 2,05          | 2,27         | 0,79         |                   | 1,20                 |                   |
|                  |               |               |              |              |                   |                      |                   |
| <b>Fartstall</b> | <b>2,20</b>   | <b>2,34</b>   | <b>2,28</b>  | <b>2,52</b>  |                   | <b>2,09</b>          |                   |
|                  |               |               |              |              |                   |                      |                   |
| u2               | 40,00         | 40,00         | 40,00        | 40,00        | m/s               | 40,00                | m/s               |
| <b>D2</b>        | <b>3,82</b>   | <b>5,09</b>   | <b>3,57</b>  | <b>10,19</b> | <b>m</b>          | <b>2,55</b>          | <b>m</b>          |
|                  |               |               |              |              |                   |                      |                   |
|                  |               |               |              |              |                   |                      |                   |
|                  |               |               |              |              |                   |                      |                   |

# Turbin i fri strøm

$$P = C_P \frac{\rho_V}{2} A_R \cdot V^3$$

$$C_p \approx 0.4$$

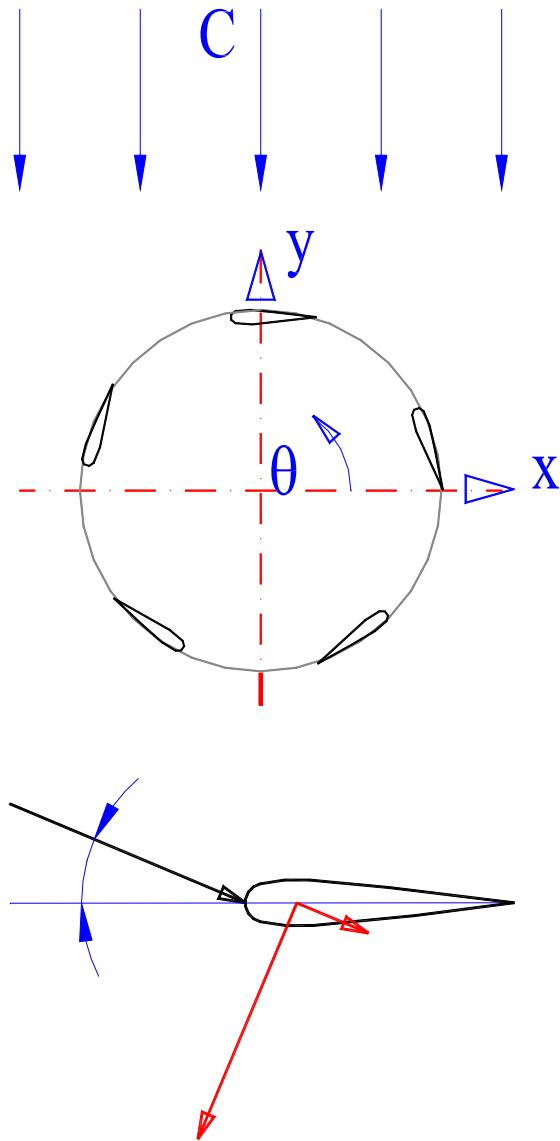


# Wells turbinen

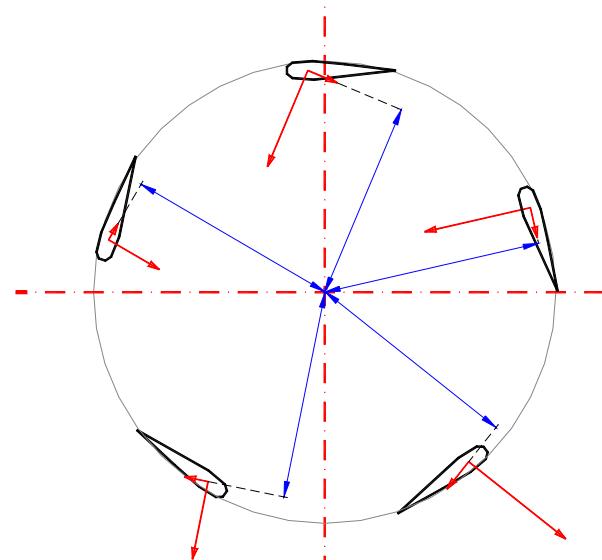
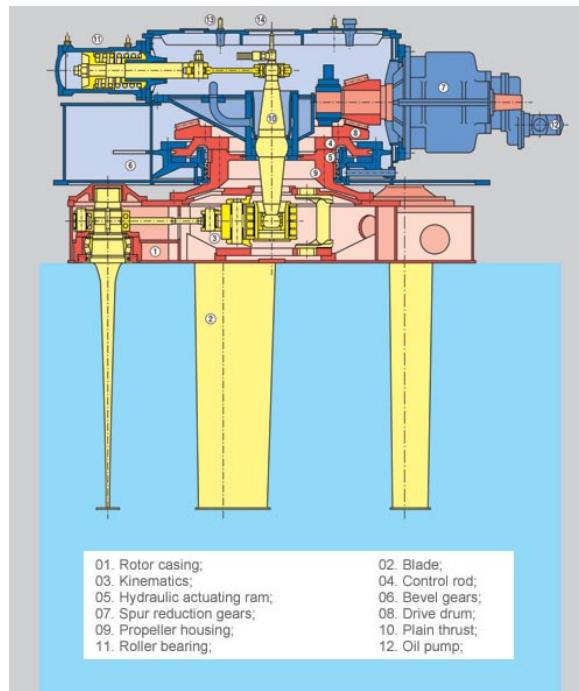


- Luftturbin
- Roterer samme vei uansett retning på strømningen
- Negativt startmoment

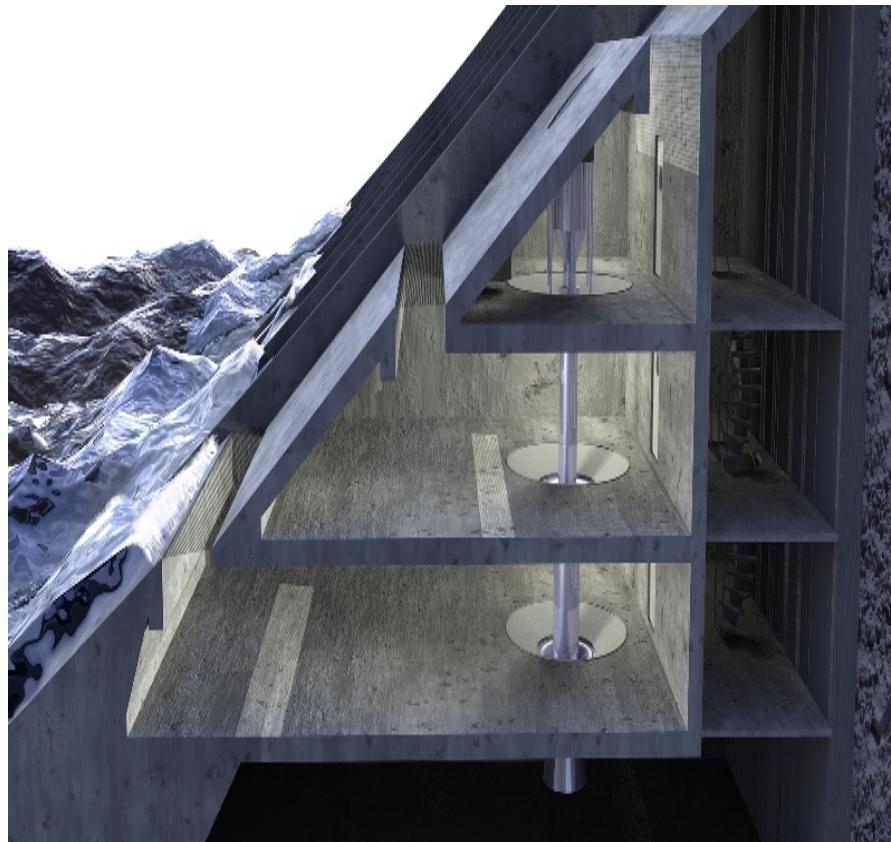
## Darrius turbin



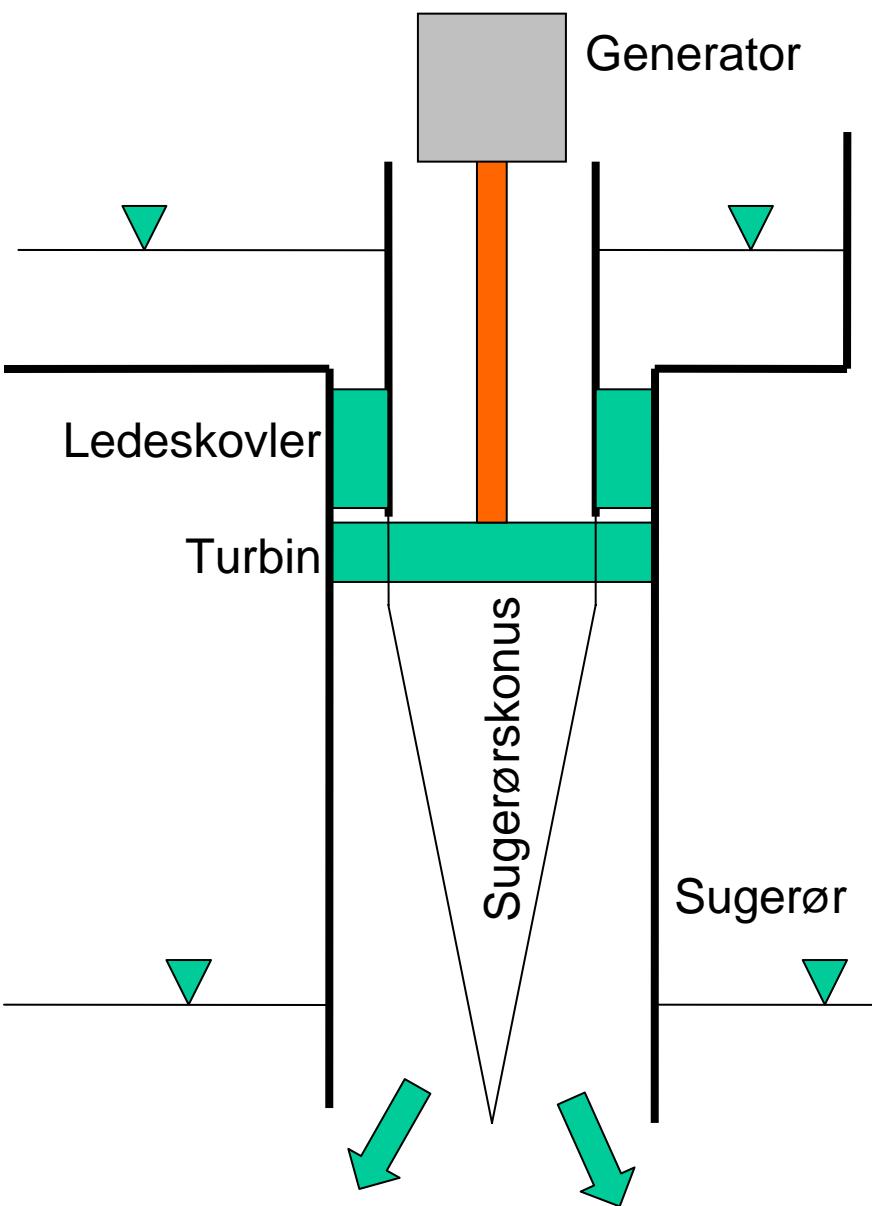
## Voith-Schneider propell



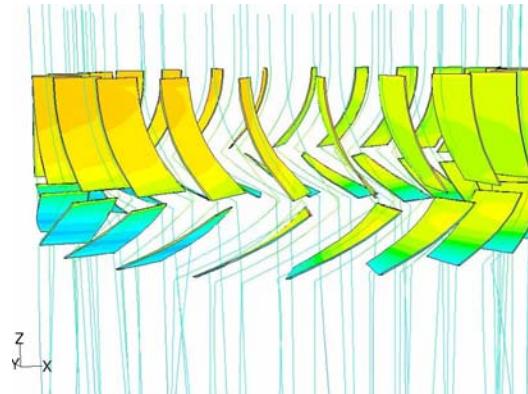
## Seawave Slot-Cone



- Turbin:  
1-3 m fallhøyde
- Flertrinns



Utgangspunkt: Jonval turbin



- Uten sugerøret avløpstap:
- $$\Delta h = \frac{c^2}{2g} = \frac{3,5^2}{19,62} = 0,62m$$
- Gjenvinnes i sugerøret

- Low head gives
  - low speed of rotation
  - huge dimensions on turbine and generator
  - High torque
- How to increase head?
  - Amplification
  - Displacement pump

