

Alternative Module Drives for Mobile Working Machines



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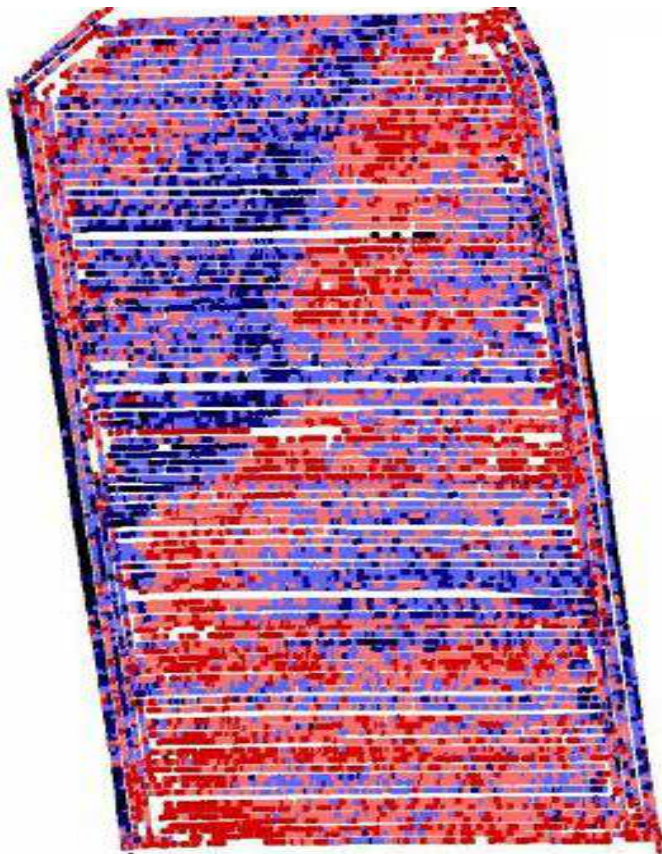
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Requirements resulting from material processing

Yield map of sugar beets,
field Hergern (Germany)
October 2001



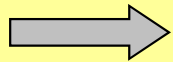
	Relative flow variability [%]	Standard deviation of yield [kg/ha]
Combine `02	78	96,2
Combine `03	120	181,1
Mower `01	29	15,8
Mower `02	78	32,8
Beet harvester `02	71	260,7
Maize Chopper `02	134	235,0
Maize Chopper `03	41	108,9

Increased machine efficiency by:

- Dynamic machine adaptation (KUTZBACH) → closed-loop module speed control
- Closed loop module control systems (BÖTTINGER)
- Increased driveline efficiency

Problem:

Which technology fits future demands?

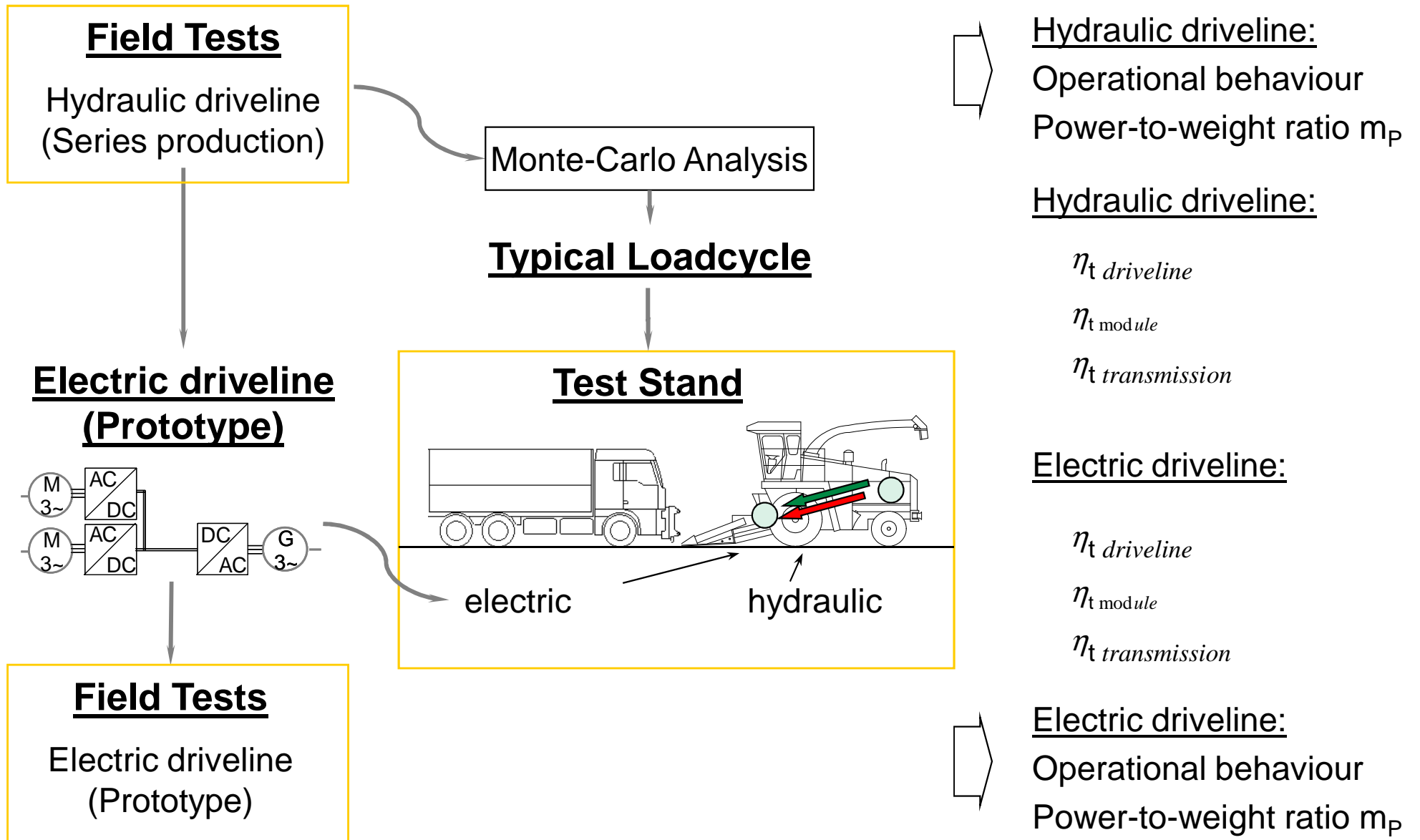


Assessment of alternative drive line concepts for usability in mobile working machines

Criteria:

- satisfying future requirements
- overall efficiency
- power to weight ratio
- overall size of the module drive and the peripheral equipment
- design aspects
- costs

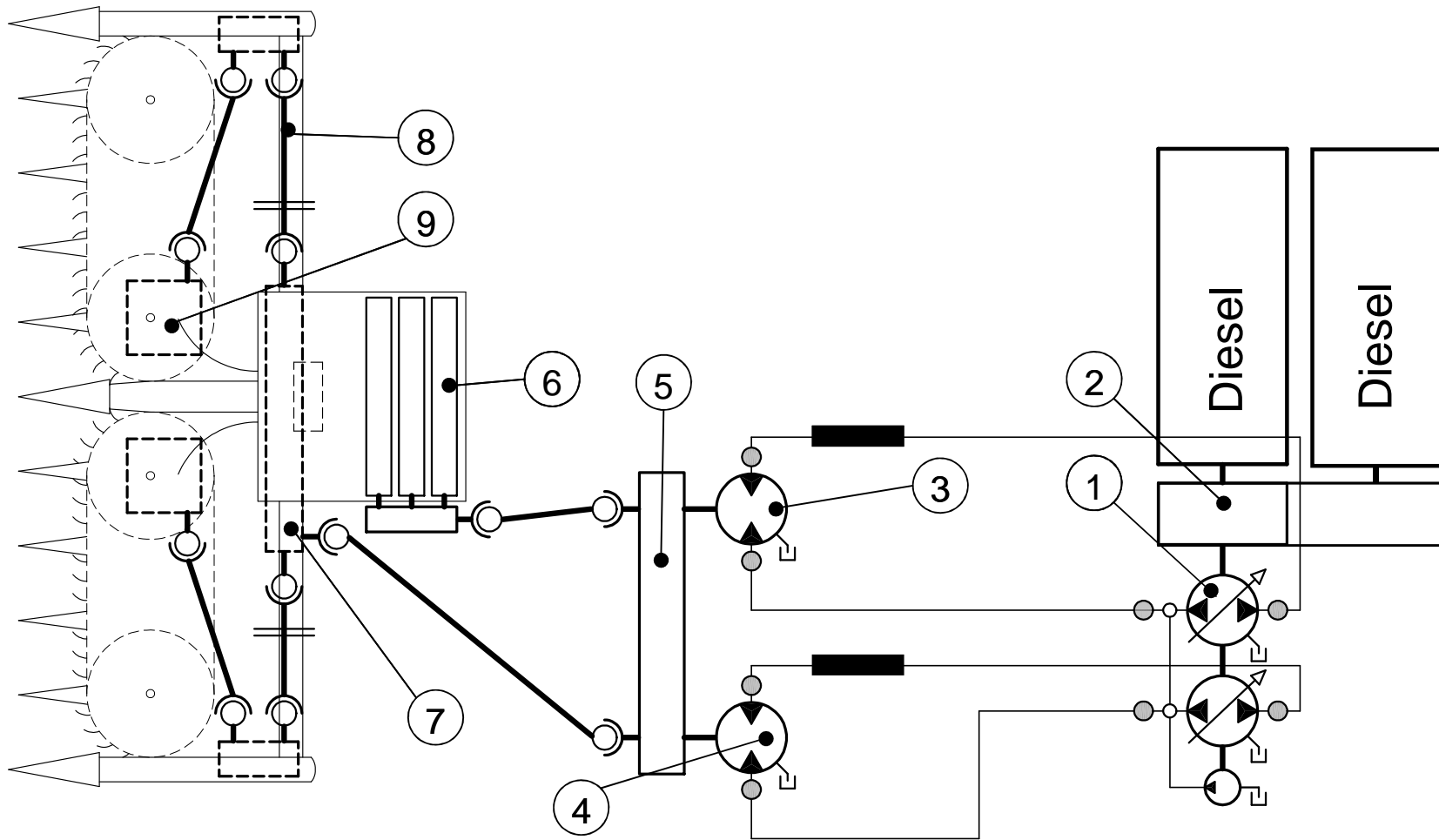
Method



Carrier Big-X with easyCollect



Hydraulic Header and Intake Drive

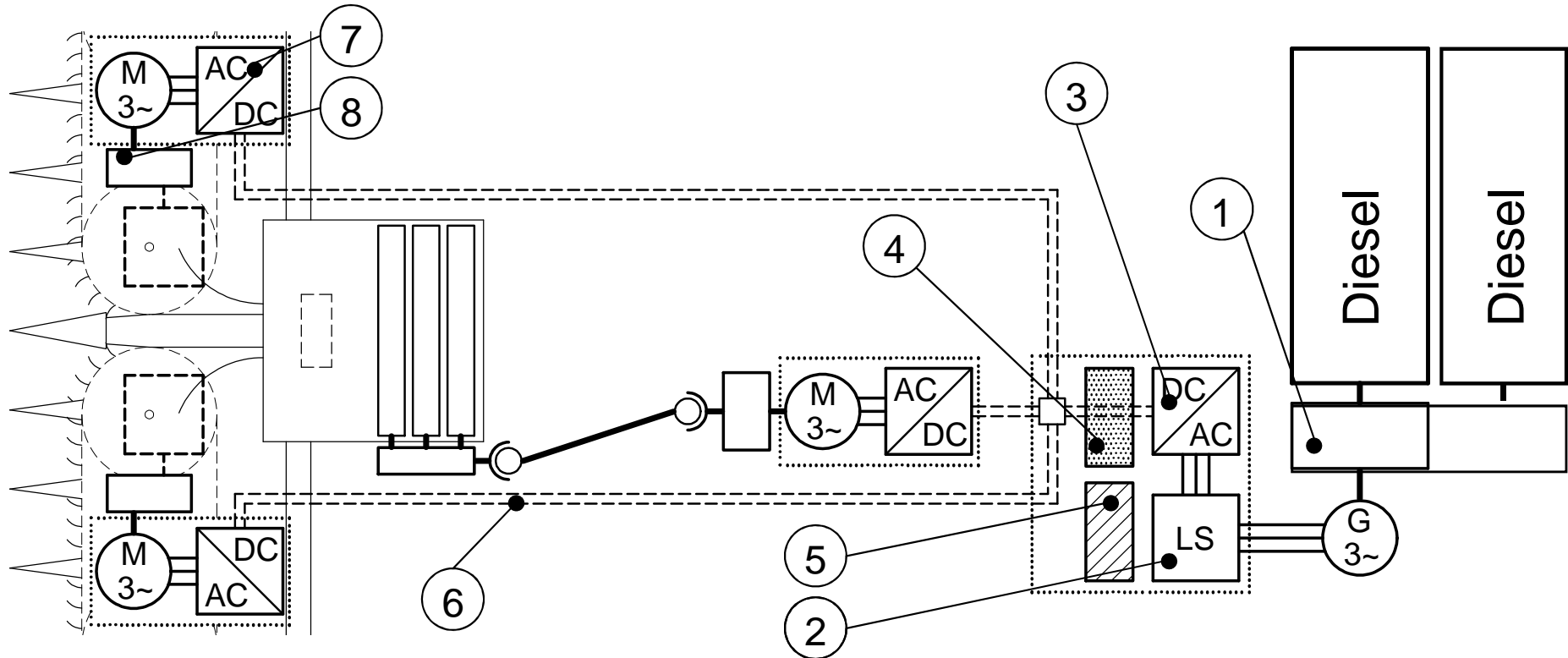


- 1. Pumps
- 2. Motorgearing
- 3. Hydr. Intake Drive
- 4. Hydr. Header Drive

- 5. Gearing
- 6. Intake Module
- 7. Split Gearing Header

- 8. Mech. Driveline Header
- 9. Chaindrive Gearing
- Pressure Sensor
- Flow rate Sensor

Diesel-electric Header and Intake drive (without Cooling System)



- 1. Synchronous Generator
- 2. Power switch
- 3. Rectifier

- 4. Capacitors DC-Link & Braking resistors
- 5. Control and Safety

- 6. DC-Link (400-750 V)
- 7. Motor with Converter
- 8. Planetary Gearing

Diesel-electric Solution

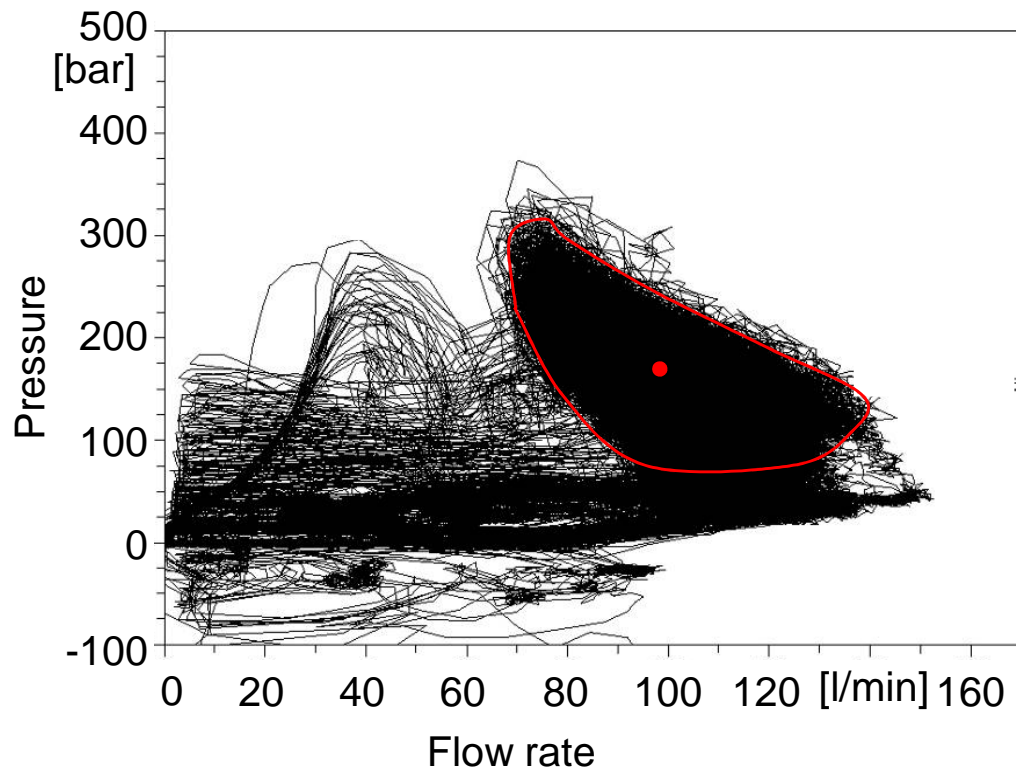


Results

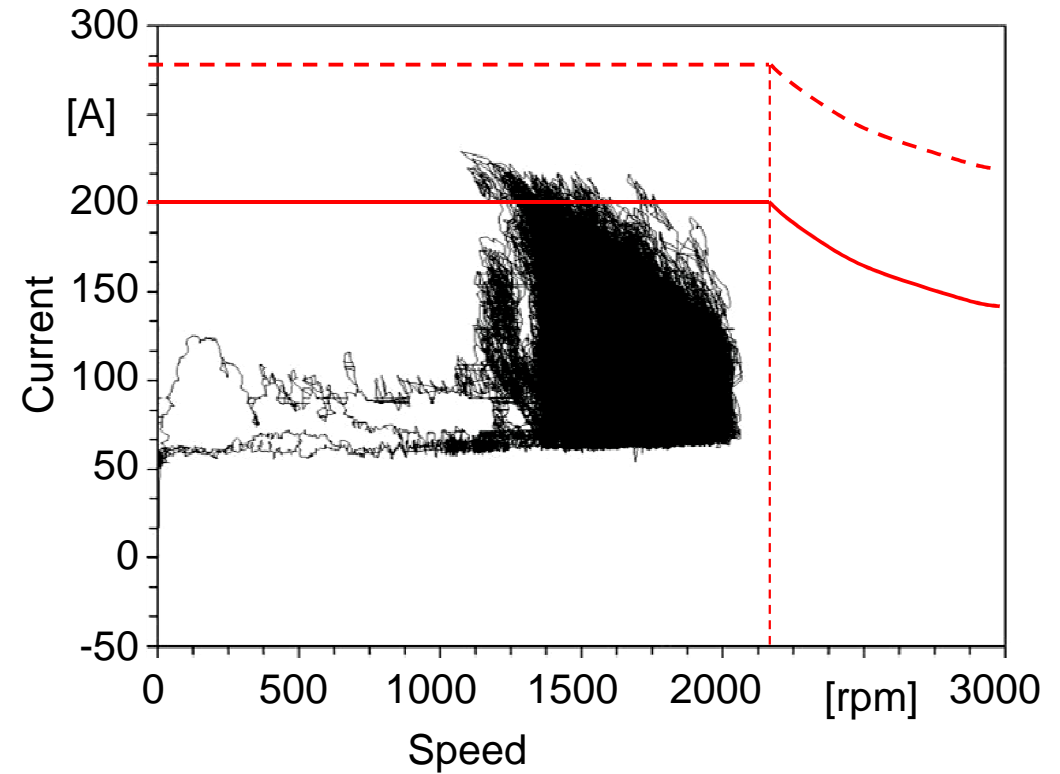
- ⇒ Operational behavior during field tests
- ⇒ Efficiency during stationary operation
- ⇒ Efficiency during dynamic operation
- ⇒ Power-to-weight ratio
- ⇒ Power density
- ⇒ Costs

Operational Behavior

- Hydraulic and Electric Intake Drive during **Field Tests** -



● Most common operation point

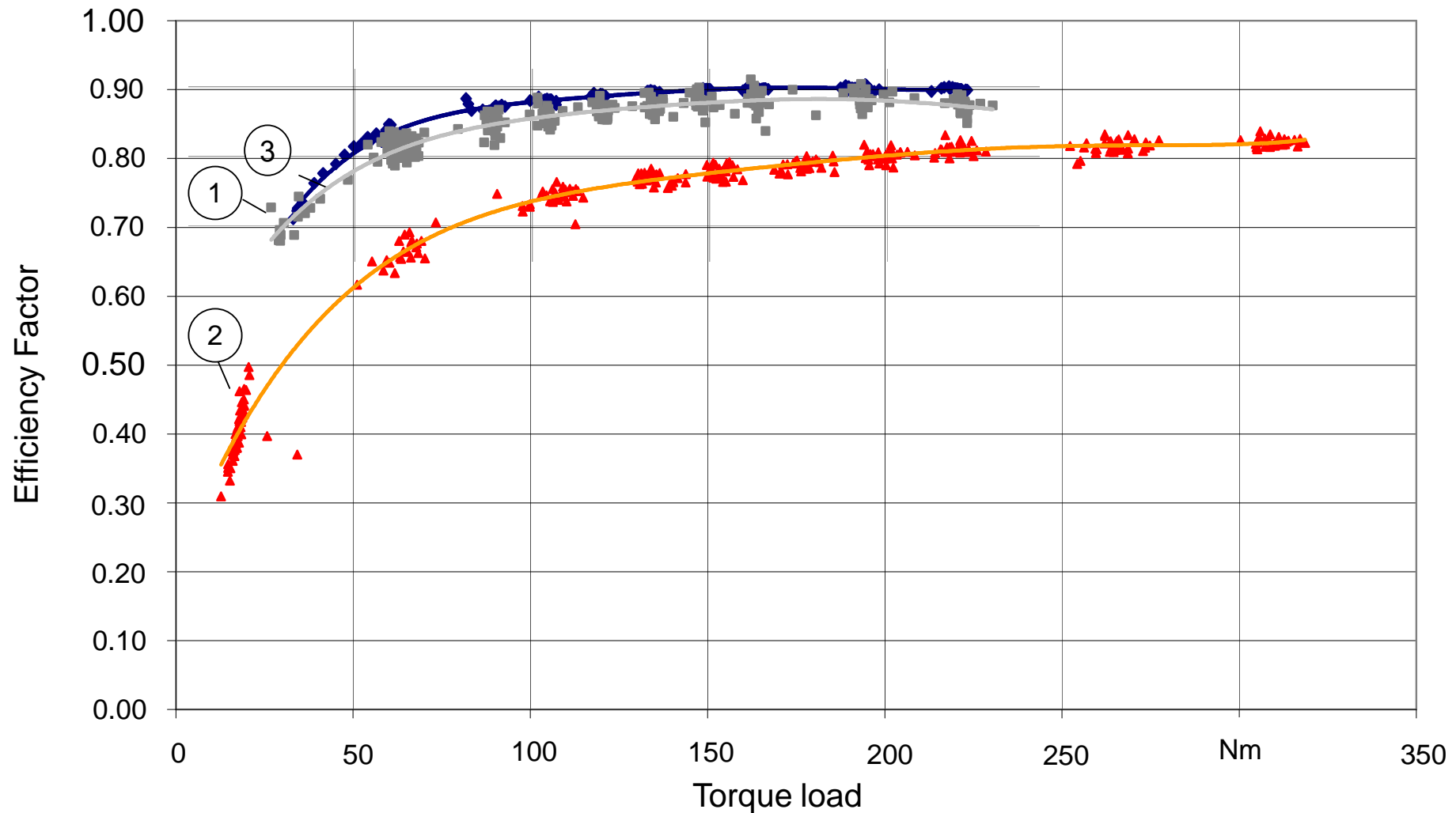


— I_N

- - - I_{max}

Efficiency of module Drives depending on load

($n_{\text{Diesel}}=1750$ 1/min; $x_{\text{th}} = 8$ mm)

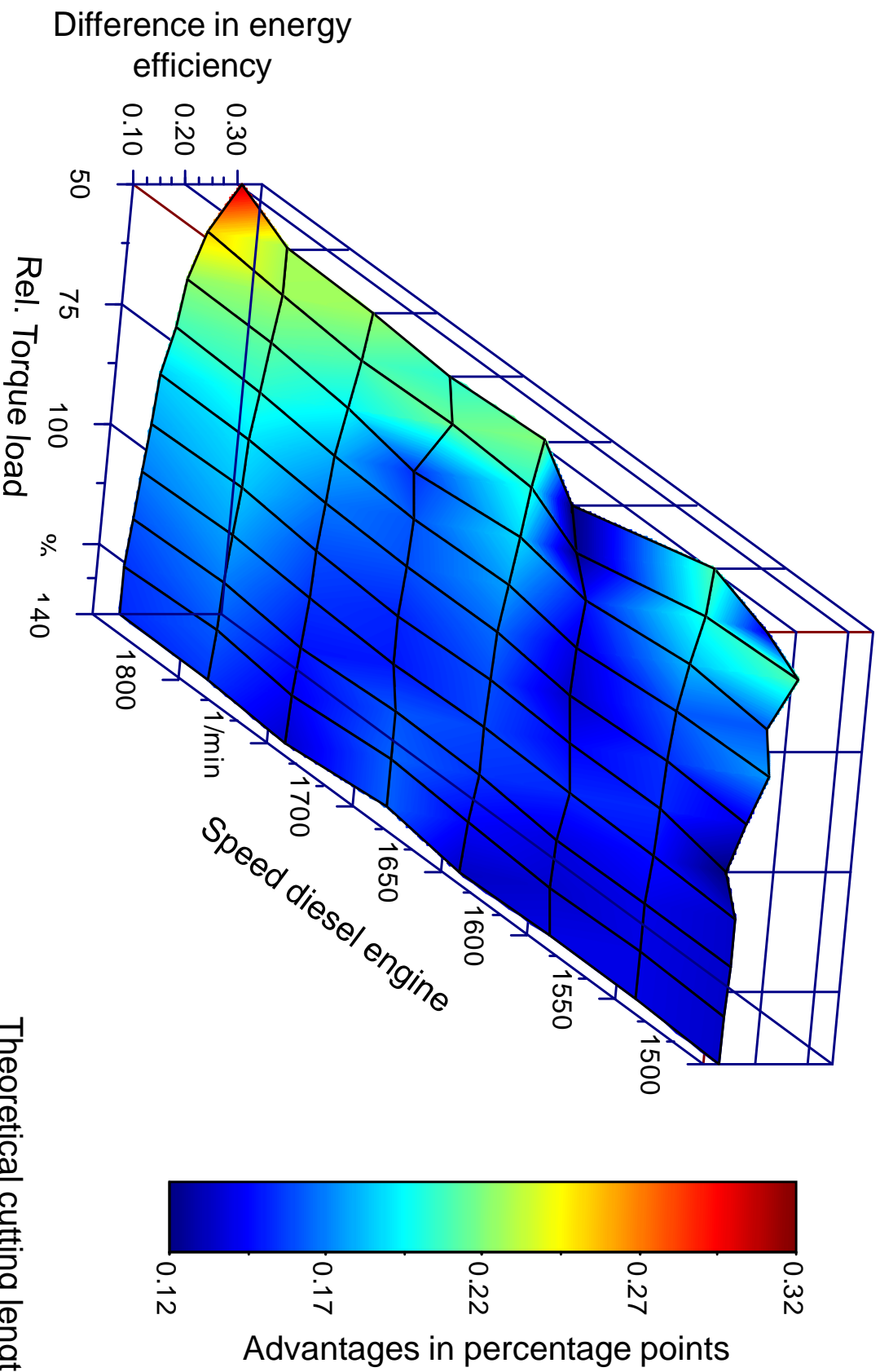


① Hydraulic intake drive

② Hydraulic header drive with mechanic transmission

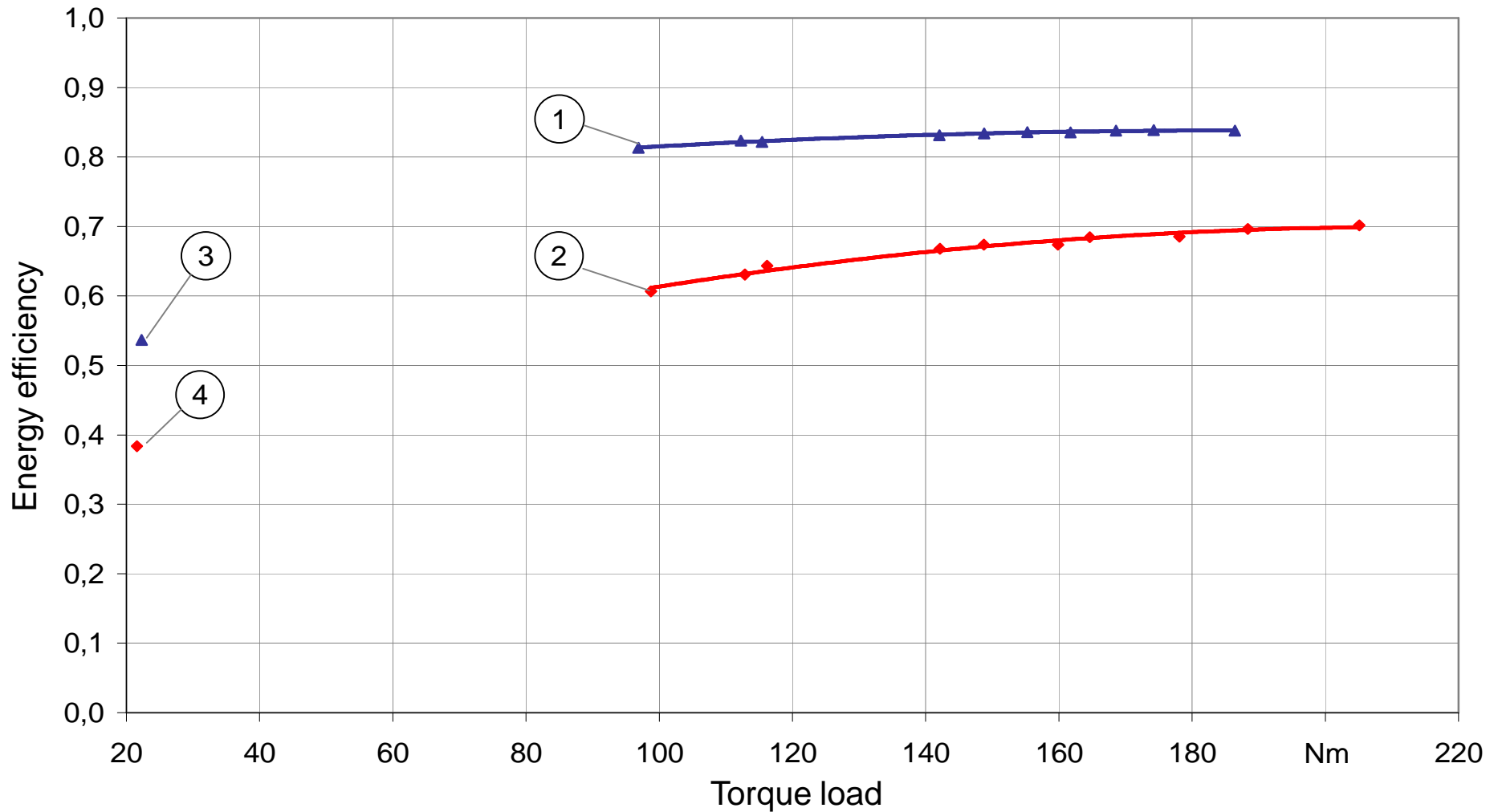
③ Electric header drive

Efficiency Benefits of the electric driveline



Theoretical cutting length: 8 mm

Energy efficiency during typical load cycles



① Electric driveline

② Hydraulic driveline

③ Non-load operation electric driveline

④ Non-load operation hydraulic driveline

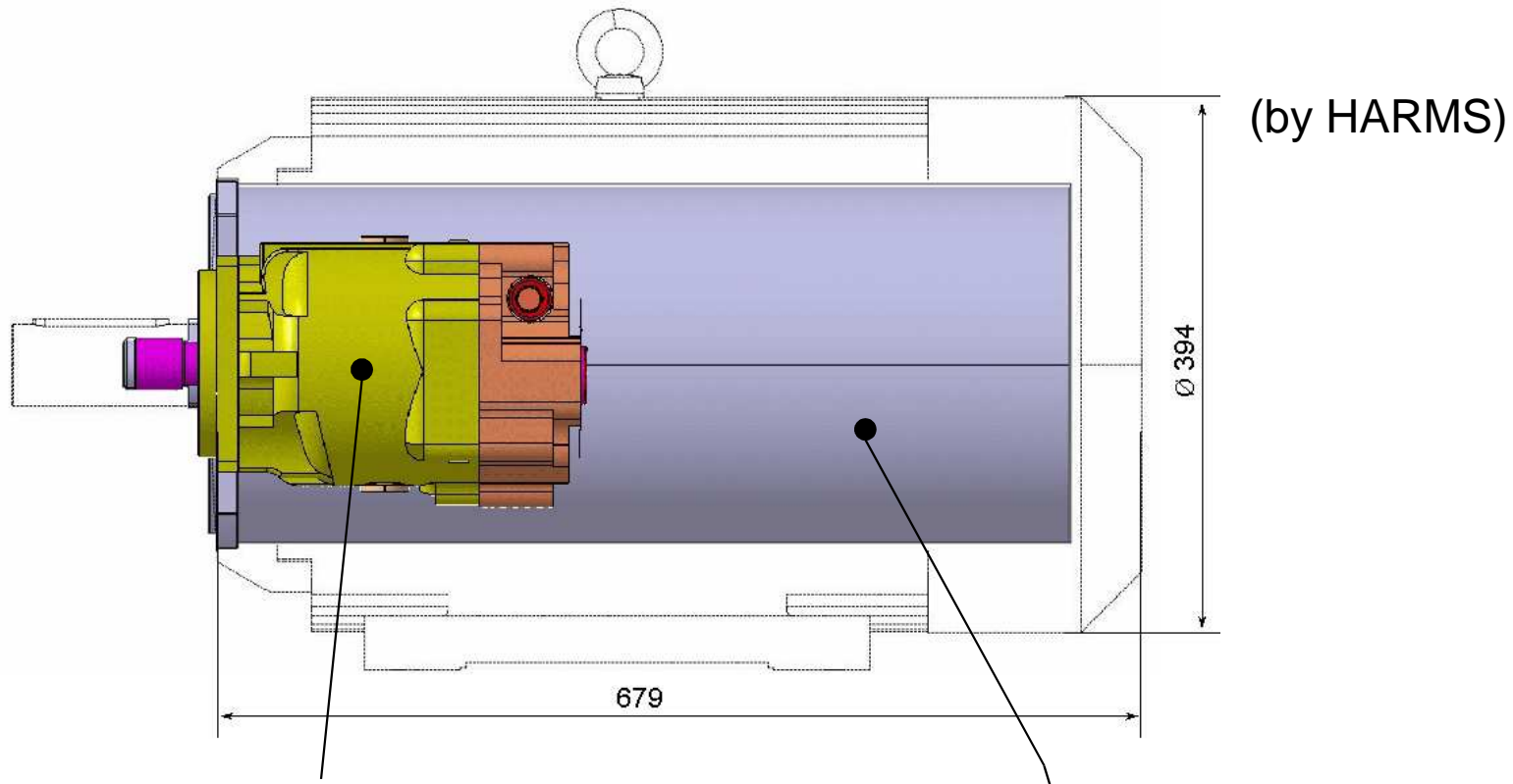
Power-to-weight ratio of modules and drivelines

- Obvious disadvantages at the electric module drives:
 - ⇒ Averaged electric drives 3 times heavier than hydraulic ones
- New approaches enable advantages for the driveline at a glance :
 - ⇒ electric header drive: 11.3 kg/kW
 - ⇒ hydraulic-mechanic header drive: 15.9 kg/kW
- the powertrain for header and intake at a glance:
 - ⇒ diesel-electric approach: 689.6 kg 17.2 kg/kW
 - ⇒ hydraulic approach: 565.6 kg 14.1 kg/kW

But: comparability of the used systems is limited

⇒ Series Production vs. Prototype

Size and Power Density of electric motors



Hydraulic Motor (Series production)

→ 7.6 dm³

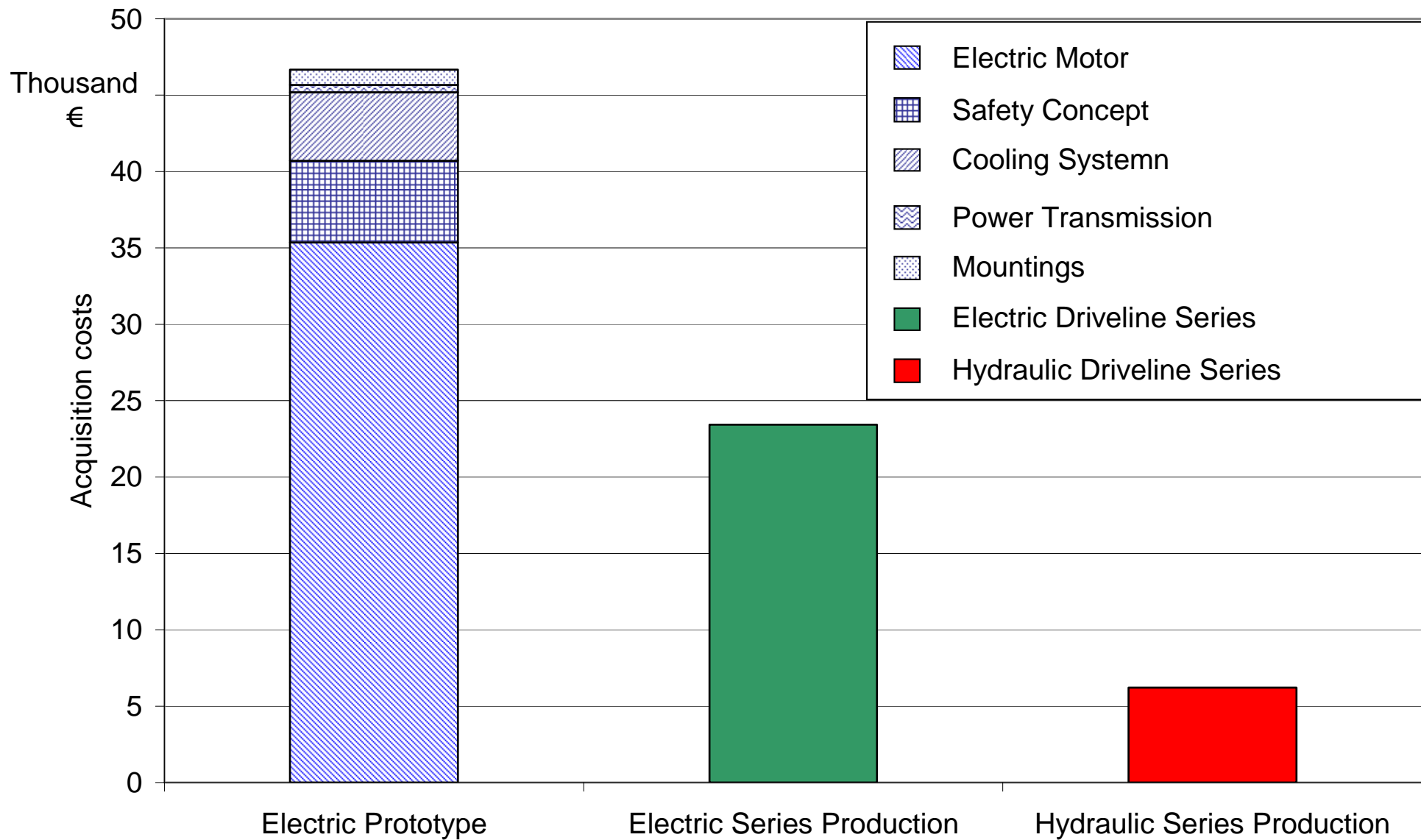
→ 3.566 kW/dm³

Electric Motor (Prototype)

→ 29.6 dm³

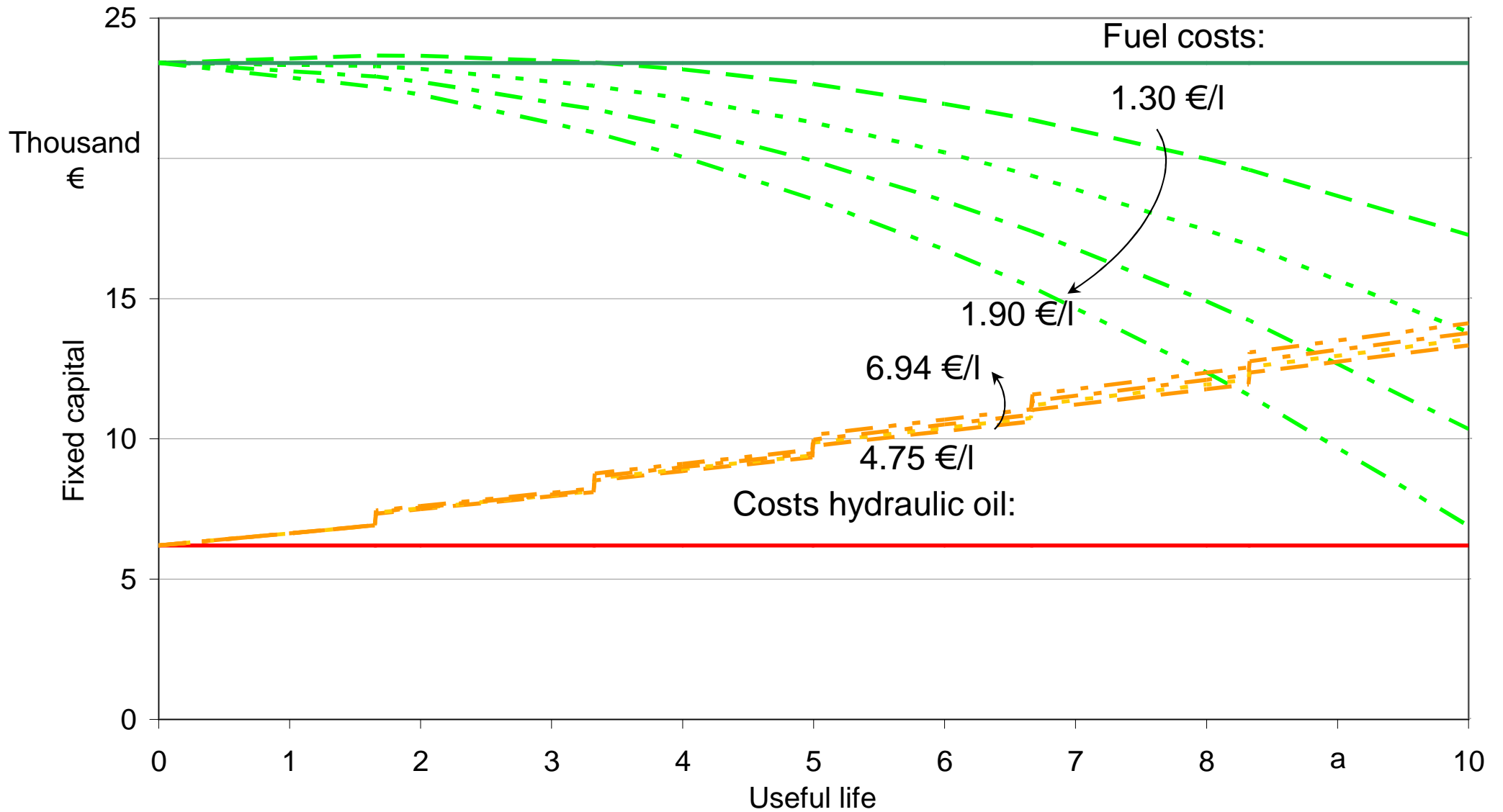
→ 0.916 kW/dm³

Costs of acquisition



*) estimated

(Careful) Costs of Operation



Summary

Advantages of the diesel-electric driveline:

- Closed loop control of the drives and feedback of the process parameters enables easy integration into driveline managements system
- Efficiency benefits at a wide range of the operation map of about 16 percentage points (between 13.5 to 30 percentage points)
- Efficiency benefits during typical load cycles between 14 to 20 percentage points

Disadvantages of the diesel-electric driveline

- Power-to-weight ratio of the total driveline is about 22 % higher
- Power Density is about 3.9 times inferior
- Amortization or increased acquisition costs after the total useful life

Conclusions

Diesel-electric drivelines

- are an additional alternative in mobile working machines
- show high efficiency even under low work load
- improve control and adjustment
- have highest benefit in systems with very large variable requirements
- allow direct use of electricity from solar and fuel cells

Thank you for your attention !

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