# Individual heat pumps combined with industrial NH<sub>3</sub>-refrigeration systems

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- Nationwide working family-owned company located in Bremen
- > Serving the market for more than 60 years
- > Approx. 170 employees, 50% of whom are fitters and service technicians
- > Comprehensive Know-how enables developing refrigeration systems and heat pumps
- > Industrial refrigeration plant construction and service
  - Use of natural refrigerants, like ammonia, propane and carbon dioxide, is core competency









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- Motivation
- To remember!
- Examples of standardized solutions of the refrigeration industry
- Findings when upgrading a refrigerant plant by a heat pump
- Suggestions and Ideas
- Real-world example
- Summary
- Questions

#### **Motivation**

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- Reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (greenhouse effect)
- Scarcity of fossil fuels
- Increasing costs of using fossil fuels
- Fluorinated gases regulation as an accelerator ۲







Fluorinated gases regulation 2014 Regulation European Parliament Proposed by the Commission

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- Every refrigerant plant is also a heat pump!
- The waste heat from the refrigeration system is relevant in total.
- The temperature level of waste heat from a refrigeration system is too low.
- Waste heat must be tapped as needed.
- Waste heat from the refrigeration system is not always available.
- Heat source and heat sink are individually different.
- Heat consumption must be guaranteed and matched to the cooling capacity.



## Examples of standardized solutions of the refrigeration industry

• Examples of standardized heat pumps



#### GEA-Heat-Pump, open Type

(literature source: Homepage GEA 12.06.2023)

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#### SABROE HeatPAC

(literature source: Homepage Sabroe 12.06.2023)



#### Mayekawa Heat pump,

(literature source: Homepage Mayekawa 12.06.2023)

- A lot can be covered with standard solutions.
- But not everything!!!

## Findings when upgrading a refrigerant plant by a heat pump

Characteristics of Heat Pump with piston compressor

| LP - Stage    |            |            |            |            |
|---------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| V700          |            |            |            |            |
| to            | -10 °C     | -10 °C     | -10 °C     | -10 °C     |
| tc            | 18 °C      | 25 °C      | 35 °C      | 42 °C      |
| Qo RE         | 217,1 kW   | 274,5 kW   | 366,6 kW   | 338,8 kW   |
| Ре            | 30,3 kW    | 50,3 kW    | 92,1 kW    | 100,7 kW   |
| Speed         | 604 min-1  | 810 min-1  | 1200 min-1 | 1200 min-1 |
| EER           | 6,56       | 5,23       | 3,98       | 3,36       |
|               |            |            |            |            |
| Qom           | 247,4      | 324,8      | 458,7      | 439,5      |
|               |            |            |            |            |
| HP - Stage    |            |            |            |            |
| HP65          |            |            |            |            |
| to            | 16 °C      | 23 °C      | 33 °C      | 40 °C      |
| tc            | 65 °C      | 65 °C      | 65 °C      | 65 °C      |
| Qo HP         | 247,5 kW   | 324,8 kW   | 458,4 kW   | 439,4 kW   |
| Pe            | 65,1 kW    | 68,8 kW    | 68,7 kW    | 48,6 kW    |
| Speed         | 1500 min-1 | 1500 min-1 | 1495 min-1 | 1145 min-1 |
| EER           | 3,8        | 4,72       | 6,67       | 9,04       |
| СОР           | 4,80       | 5,72       | 7,67       | 10,04      |
|               |            |            |            |            |
| HP Total      |            |            |            |            |
| Qo            | 217,1 kW   | 274,5 kW   | 366,6 kW   | 338,8 kW   |
| Pe RE + Pe HP | 95,4 kW    | 119,1 kW   | 160,8 kW   | 149,3 kW   |
| Qh total      | 312,6 kW   | 393,6 kW   | 527,1 kW   | 488,0 kW   |
| Σ СОР         | 3,3        | 3,3        | 3,3        | 3,3        |



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## Findings when upgrading a refrigerant plant by a heat pump

Characteristics of Heat Pump with screw compressor





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### **Suggestions and Ideas**

• How simple it is to integrate a Heat Pump in an existing NH<sub>3</sub>-Circuit.



- Consider partial load on the cold side
- Cool weather influences condensing pressure
- Ensure uniform heat dissipation at Heat Pump

## **Suggestions and Ideas**



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#### **Real-world example**

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• A complex integration of Heat Pump in a NH<sub>3</sub>-Circuit





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- Simple Heat-Pump concepts by using standardized chiller and heat pumps of suppliers.
- Individual concept require know-how by design, realizing and operation.
- For standard requirements are existing optimized solution on the market.
- The Efficiency of a full load heat pump is independent of the interstage temperature.
- Be careful by selection of tm when the heat pump is designed for a part of the waste heat.
- It is simple to integrate a desuperheater and a heat pump in an existing refrigeration plant.
- Energy storage on cold and warm side reduces electricity costs and increase flexibility.
- Individual heat pump concepts allow optimal adaptation to the requirements.
- NH<sub>3</sub> heat pumps offer a wide range of applications up to currently approx. 95°C hot water.

#### Questions

- Are any points unclear to you?
- Any more questions?



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