

QUICK DISCONNECTS FOR LIQUID COOLING – Design, Specification & Implementation

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- Introduction to Liquid Cooling
 - Technology scope and benefits
 - Key components
- Quick Disconnects
 - Anatomy and design
 - Performance and implementation





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WHY LIQUID COOLING?



Energy savings

Cost savings

Liquid cooling can provide:

Density increases

Noise reduction

of hot server components
has a long and storied
history; IBM water-cooling
in 1964, Cray FC cooling in
1980's, and even more

Liquid cooling

today!

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ADVANCED COOLING SYSTEMS ARCHITECTURE





RDHx



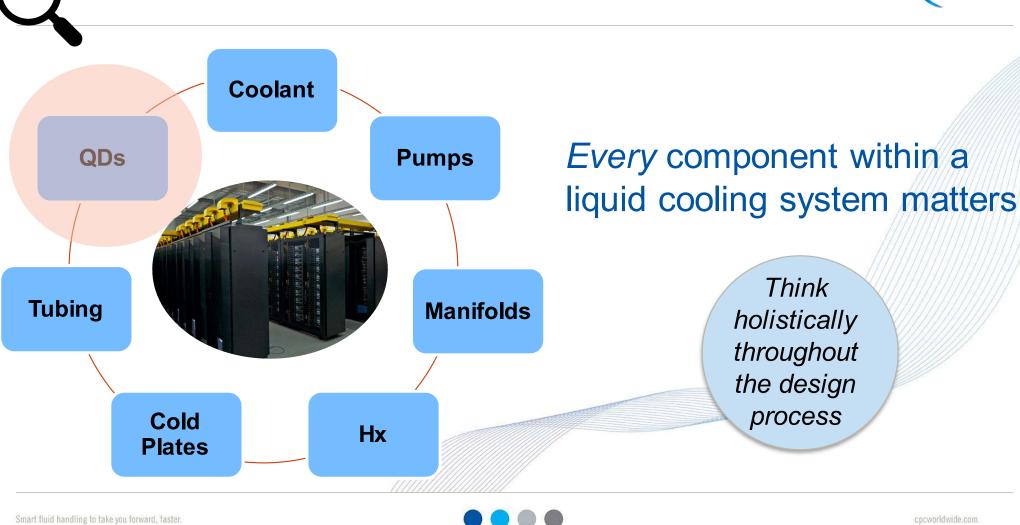
Cold Plate



Immersion

SYSTEM COMPONENT SELECTION

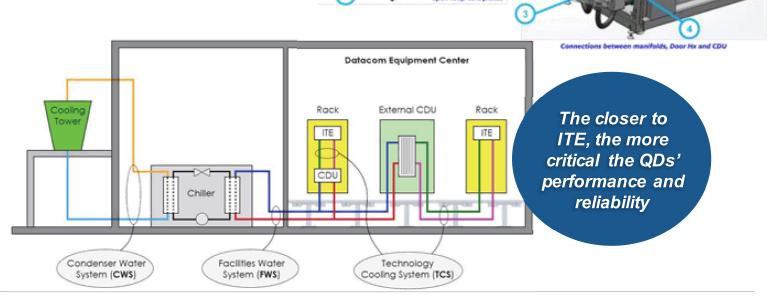




QD POINTS OF CONNECTION



- •FWS Facilities Water System
- TCS Technology Cooling System
 - RDHx
 - Cold Plate
 - Immersion





Ref: ASHRAE TC9.9 - Water Cooled Servers

GPU chassis with

ANATOMY OF A QD



Materials

- Structural
- Wetted

Configurations

- Mating
- Mounting

Valves and Shutoff

Nonspill

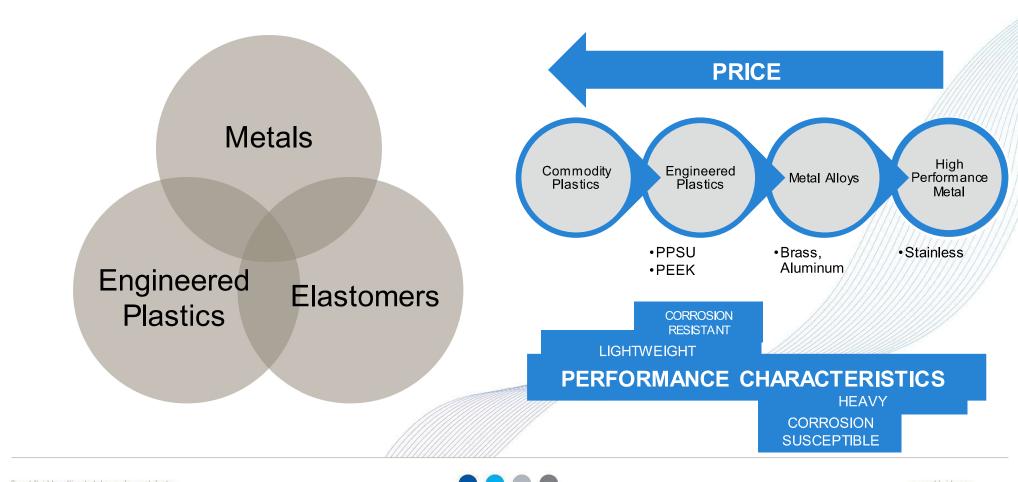
Flow sizing

SMALL component with

BIG influence

MATERIALS OF CONSTRUCTION





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Chemical compatibility, corrosion, erosion

- Coolant compatibility
 - Elastomeric seals
- Galvanic corrosion
- Flow path erosion
- Environmental exposures





Configurations



- Blindmate vs. handmate
- Ball vs. latch
- Non-spill vs. wet break
- Terminations

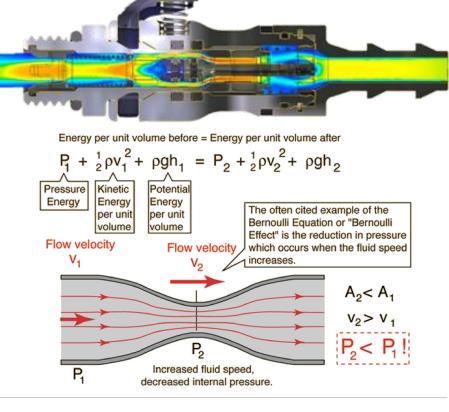


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QD flow sizing

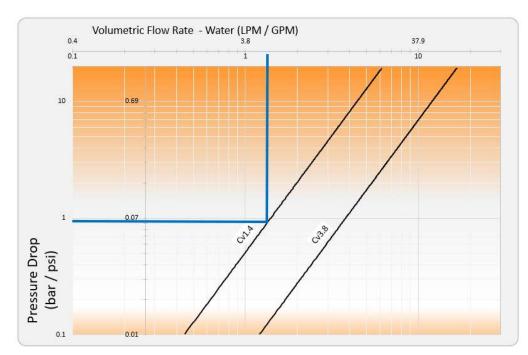
- Achieve increased cooling efficiency with properly spec'd devices throughout the system
- Sizing a QD for optimal performance – reduce pressure loss, consider physical size





VID FLOW & PRESSURE LOSS





Flow coefficient - Cv

Volumetric flow rate for 1psi loss

Balance flow and pressure for optimal performance and efficiency

$$Q = C_v \sqrt{\frac{\Delta P}{SG}}$$

Published and catalog Cv is typically reported with water (SG = 1)
Use correction factors and correct SG when using coolants other than water

QD FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS



Spillage

Volume of fluid upon disconnect

Inclusion

 Volume of air introduced into fluid loop on connection

Leaks

- Unintentional fluid discharge
- Potentially catastrophic

Multi-lobed seals (vs. standard o-rings) for redundant protection against leaks

QD FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS



Temperature

Resistance and stability

Flammability

• UL94V

Conductivity

Metal QDs can be hot to the touch

Consider location and operator interaction

Chemical Compatibility

Wetted materials in fluid loop

• Long-term service and exposure

Flammability rating UL 94 V			
Test Criteria	V-0	V-1	V-2
Burning time of each specimen (s) (after the first and second flame applications)	≤ 10	≤ 30	≤ 30
Total combustion time (s) (10 ignition time)	≤ 50	≤ 250	≤ 250
Burning and afterglow times after the second ignition time (s)	≤ 30	≤ 60	≤ 60
Dripping of burning specimens (specimens completely burned)	NO	NO	YES
Combustion up to holding clamp (specimens completely burned)	NO	NO	NO

*PPSU is flame retardant – UL94 V-0 Rating



SUMMARY

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Parameter	Metrics	
Flow Rate	L/min, gpm	
Flow Coefficient	Kv, Cv	
Operating Pressure	Pa, psi	
Burst Pressure	Pa, psi	
Pressure drop	Pa	
Spillage (liquid expunction)	mL,cc	
Inclusion (air introduction)	mL,cc	
Temperature – Operating, Storage / Shipping	°C, °F	
Connection Force	N, lbf	
Connection Cycles	Mechanical cycles / connect and disconnect	
QD style and hydraulic diameter	Inches (eg. Blind mate, hand mate, threaded, mounting configuration)	
Terminations	Barbed, compression style, threaded	

Parameters of Importance – ref OCP ACS Cold Plate Liquid Cooling Requirements

- Recommendations
- System requirements locked
- Engage with experts early

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What questions do you have?



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