Hydraulics A320

The Airbus A320 has three different hydraulic systems called GREEN, BLUE and YELLOW system. Each system has its own Reservoir and the normal system pressure is 3000 psi.

Green System: Is being pressurized by an Engine Driven Pump (EDP) which is connected to Engine N°1. Hence the Green EDP can only produce pressure when the engine is running.

Blue System: Is being pressurized by an electric pump. In an emergency the blue system can also be pressurized by the Ram Air Turbine (RAT).

Yellow System: Is being pressurized by an Engine Driven Pump (EDP) which is connected to Engine N°2. As a backup power source, an electric driven pump is also available on ground and is used for short term usage only. If this pump also fails, there is a handpump with which the cargo doors can be opened.

Power Transfer Unit: Is built in to allow system pressure transfer (not fluid transfer!) from the yelow to green system and vice versa.

