



How today's advanced electric motor testing technologies expose motor failure

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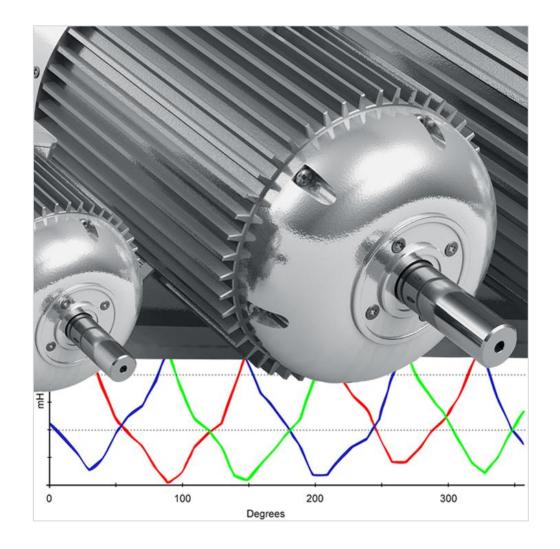


Electric Motor Testing Technologies





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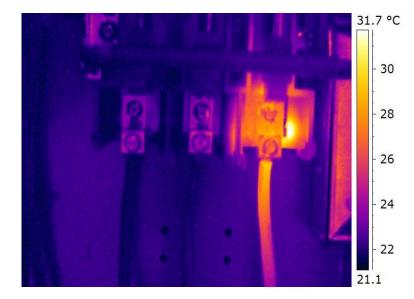


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The world's leading experts on using Infrared Thermography and Electrical Motor Testing

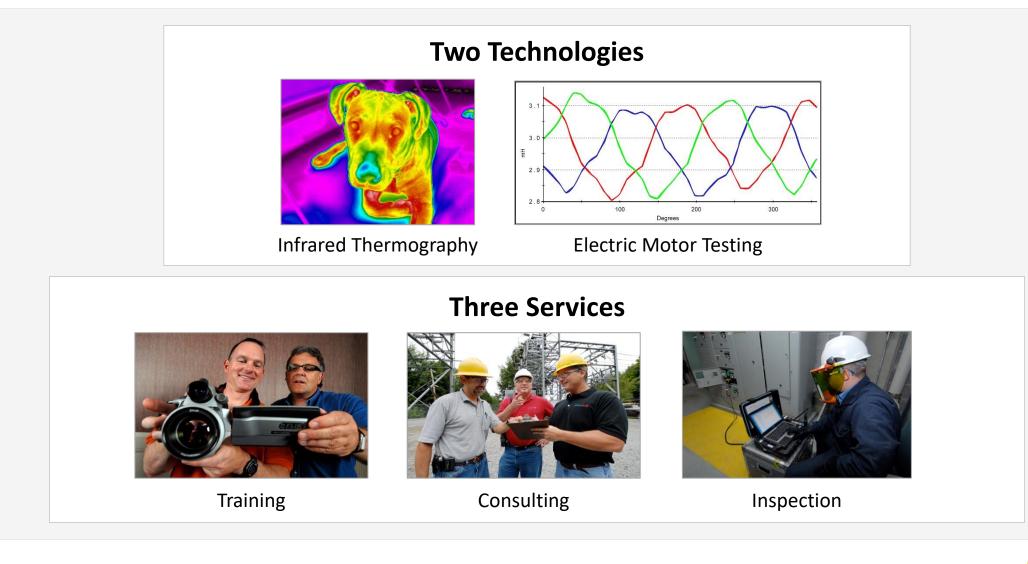


- Established in 1986
- Offices in Vermont and Missouri
- We are a knowledge-base company
- Two major condition-based technologies and three service platforms



Who is The Snell Group?







POLL QUESTION No. 1





How much experience does your company have conducting motor tests? (Click only one answer)

- Advanced
- Intermediate
- Beginner
- Never tried it
- Not sure



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Why Test Electric Motors



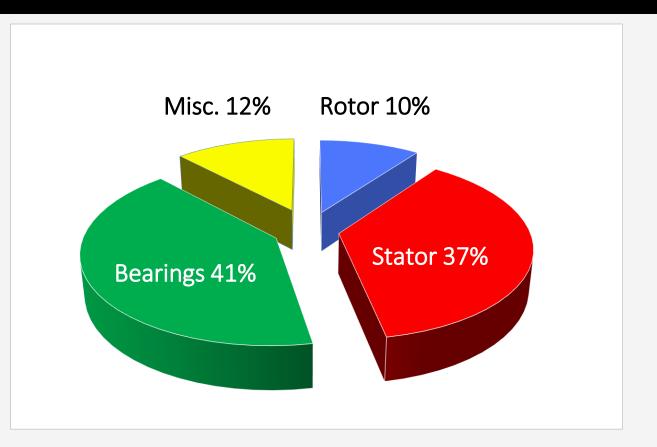
- In the United States electric motors consume close to 25% of the electricity
- Depending upon industrial process they can consume 60% to 90% of the electricity.
- Motor's cost 5 to 12 times their initial purchase cost in energy the first year
 - 25hp motor, running continuously: about \$15,000 per year to operate
 - 100hp motor, running continuously: about \$56,000 per year to operate
- Motor Energy Consumption should be a concern for everyone
- Motors are like roofs; we don't think about them until.....
- All mechanisms that lead to motor failure cause increased operating temperature, which leads to insulation failure
- Motor testing identifies those failure mechanisms.



Motor Circuit Data Analysis



1986 EPRI / GE Motor Failure Study





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More Interesting Facts



- Each year, more motors are repaired than are sold new
 - For every new motor sold, approximately 2.5 motors are repaired.
- It is estimated that motors are repaired on average every 5 to 7 years.
- Motors are frequently operating for 20 to 30 years
- The U.S. Department of Energy says greater attention to motor system management can reduce motor energy costs by as much as 18 percent, while helping to boost motor productivity and reliability.
- According to EPRI, "The efficiencies of mechanical equipment in general can be increased typically 10 to 15 percent by proper maintenance."



Types of Electric Motor Testing



De-Energized:

- Motor is shut down
- Provides the safest means of testing
- Provides the least opportunity for testing
- Enables assessment of insulation

Energized:

- Most common means of testing
- Power Quality snapshot
- Current and Electrical Signature
- Torque Analysis
- Requires specialized equipage for insulation testing. (Limited)



De-energized Motor Testing



Excellent Testing Method for identifying:

- Circuit Connection Faults
- Cable Faults
- Motor Winding Issues
- Rotor Anomalies
- Protective and Auxiliary Circuitry
 - Surge Protection
 - Power Factor Correction

Excellent Tool for:

- Motor Acceptance (into inventory)
- Equipment Troubleshooting
- Equipment Commissioning
- Condition Monitoring

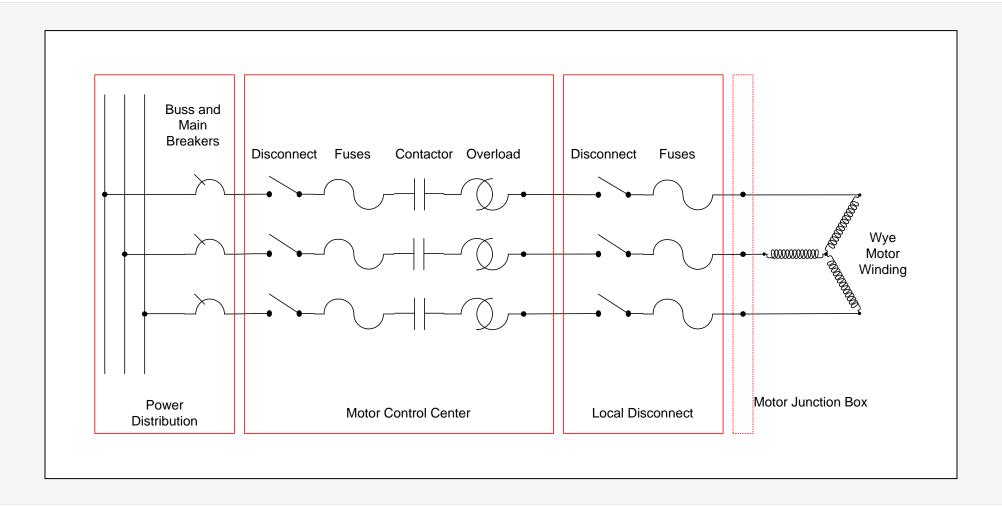
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Sample Circuit







Measurement Capabilities



- Resistance
- Inductance
- Impedance
- Phase Angle
- Fault Localization
- Current Frequency Response I/F
- Rotor Influence Check

- Capacitance to Ground
- Resistance to Ground(RTG)
- Surge Testing
- Hi Potential Testing
- Step Voltage
- Timed Resistance Testing
 - Polarization Index
 - Dielectric Absorption



Resistance Analysis

Motor Data Analysis

- High Resistance Connections
 - Loose/Overtightened Connection
 - Poor Crimps
 - Frayed Conductor Strands
 - Improper wire size/lug
 - Corrosion
 - Multiple conductors under one lug.

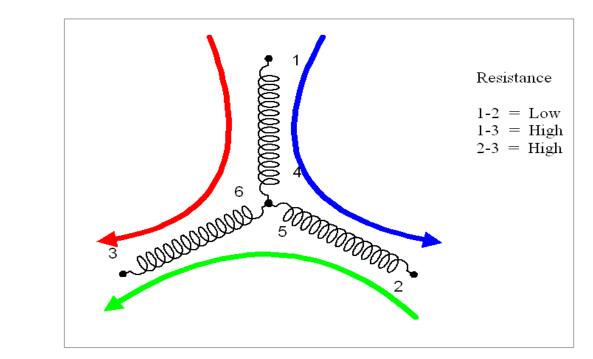






Resistance Case Study





Test Date	07/05/2001	04/01/2003
Test Time	05:25:24 PM	07:30:14 PM
	Baseline	
Frequency	1200	1200
Mohm Ph 1 to Gnd		
Charge Time	15	15
Voltage	500	500
Motor Temp	35	35
Measured Mohm	119.0	2299.0
Corrected Mohm	84.1	1600.0
pFPh1toGnd	14000	12500
ohm Ph 1 to 2	9.55000	8.93000
ohm Ph 1 to 3	9.55000	9.83000
ohm Ph 2 to 3	9.57000	9.84500
mH Ph 1 to 2	77.450	76.600
mH Ph 1 to 3	82.350	81.400
mH Ph 2 to 3	85.000	83.700
Avg. Inductance	91.690	80.567
% Res. Imbalance	0.14	6.35
% Ind. Imbalance	5.09	4.92
\$ Power Loss	0.26	11.90
Test Location	T-Leads	T-Leads
MCE #	030522	030602HV
User		
Notes	No	No



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Inductance



Inductance (milli-henrys)

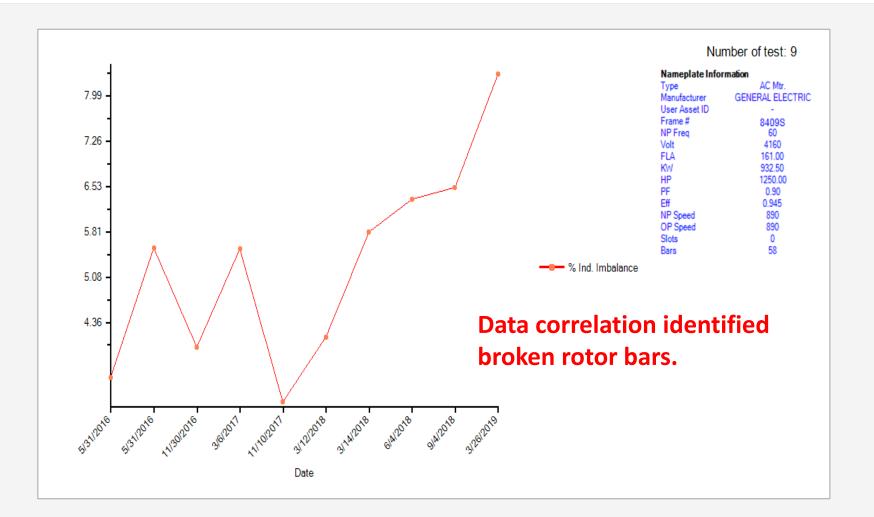
- Opposition to changes in circuit current
- Affected by virtually everything in the motor
- Power Factor Capacitors





Trending Inductance Case Study





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Impedance and Phase Angle

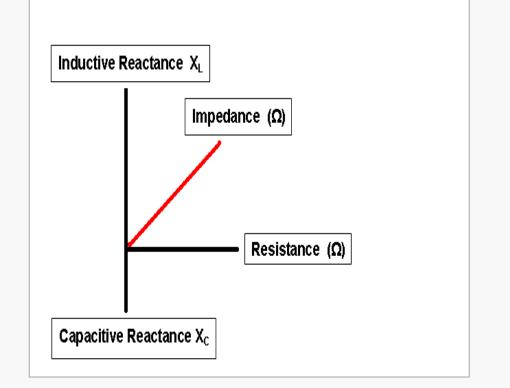


Impedance

- Vectoral Sum of Resistance, Inductive and Capacitive Reactance
- Total Opposition to AC Current

Phase Angle

- Angular displacement of the Impedance vector from the Resistance
- Represents the angular displacement of Voltage and Current on an energized circuit



Phase angle correlates to voltage and current phase angle.



Current Frequency Response



Motor circuit Reactance measurement requires an AC test signal

- Virtually no capacitance between phases
- Doubling test frequency can double X_L
- Doubling X_L will almost half Ix_L
- Measurement of Reactance Current ideally would be 50%
- Core material magnetic properties will have affect
- Ultimately looking for balanced current response

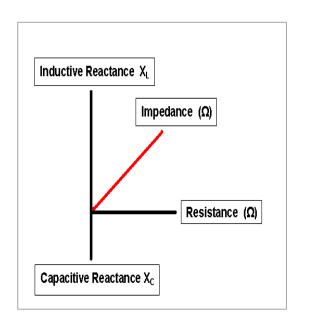


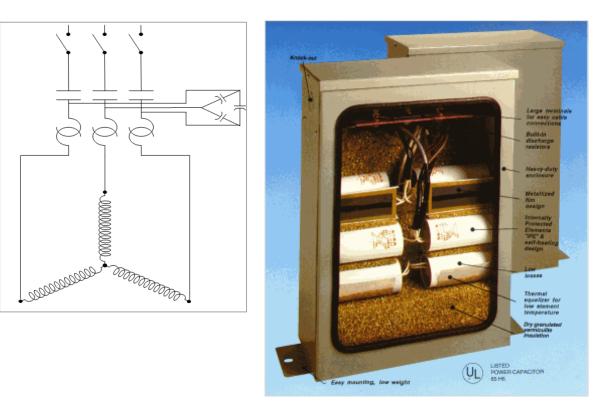
Capacitance



Power Factor Correction Capacitor

- High Unbalanced Inductance
 - Bulk Correction*
 - External Box
 - Internal Motor Connection Box





* Will see affects on Power Quality



Motor Fault Localization



Resistance Unbalance	Inductance Unbalance	Impedance Unbalance	Analysis
Low	Low	Low	Normal
Low	Moderate	Moderate	Rotor Anomaly
Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Stator Fault
Low	High	High	Defective PF Capacitor

Note: If you exhibit an inductance unbalance and balanced resistance with the rotor removed; look for incorrect wiring, such as a reversed coil.



Rotor Influence Testing

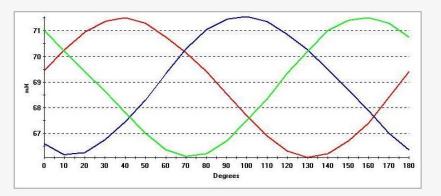


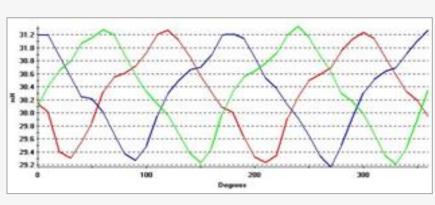
Rotor Influence Check (RIC)

- Inductance is plotted over arc of Pole Group
 - Perform before any other testing
 - Start at "keyway" up
 - Perform Initial test plus 18 additional tests
 - Best results are obtained when motor was run at load, prior to testing

Rotor Influence Check

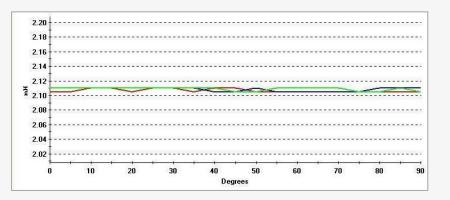






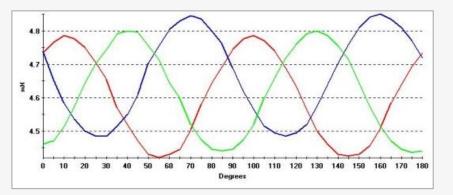


Normal



Low Influence Rotor

Rotor Anomaly

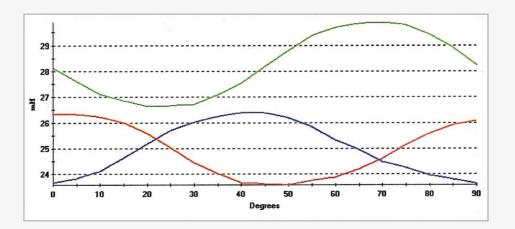


Concentric Wound

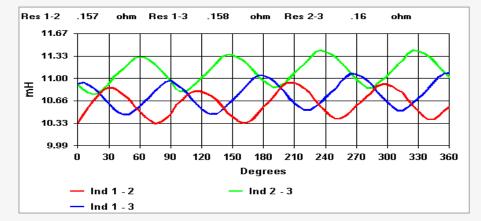


Rotor Influence Rotor



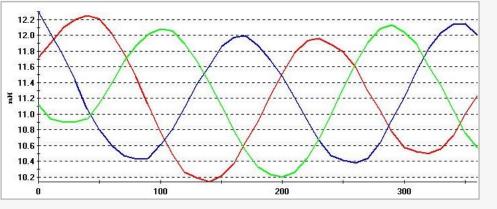


Turn or Coil Fault in one phase

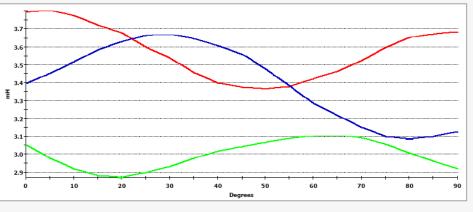




Turn or Coil Fault in one phase



Eccentricity



Phase to Phase Short 2-3

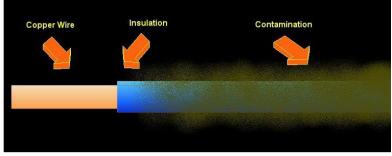




Capacitance (pico-farads)

- Primarily occurs between conductors and Stator Slots
- When measured to ground
- Increases as contamination accumulates on windings
- Early Waring System for Insulation







Insulation Testing



Insulation Testing

- RTG
- Hi-Pot AC and DC
- Surge Tester
- Timed Resistance Testing
 - Polarization Index
 - Dielectric Absorption



Surge Testing

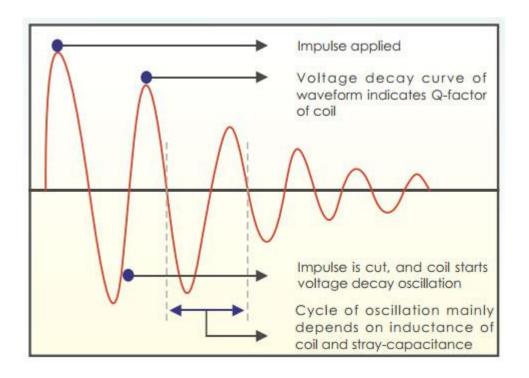


Application of Surge Test Signal

- Pass/Fail (potentially destructive test)
- Produces a waveform
- Analyzed by comparison of phase to phase
- Subject to interpretation
- Manual operation

Mid 90's provided computer control

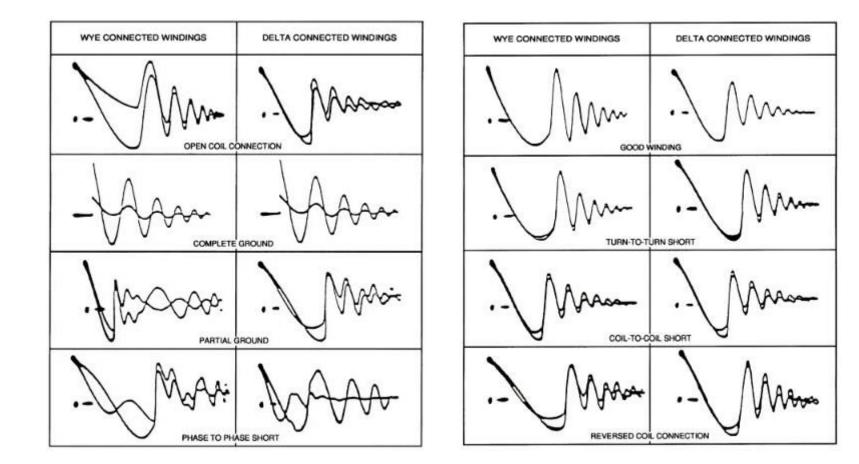
- Real time analysis
- Sensitive triggering (not destructive)
- Automated analysis
- Provided a platform for RCM





Surge Waveforms





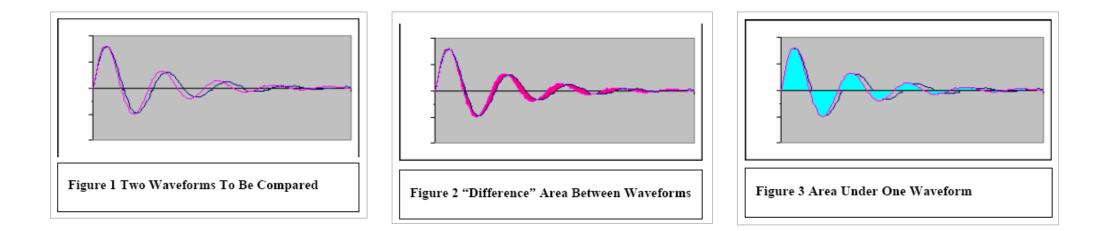


Surge Testing



Pulse to Pulse Error Area Ratio (ppEAR)

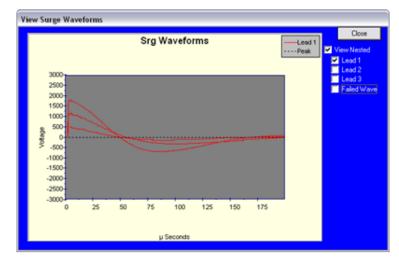
- Successive pulses of increasing potential
- Difference between each pulse is determined
- A change in EAR indicates possible early stage of breakdown.
- Rotor can be installed for this testing

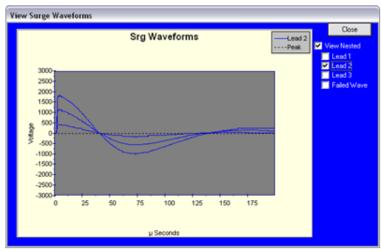


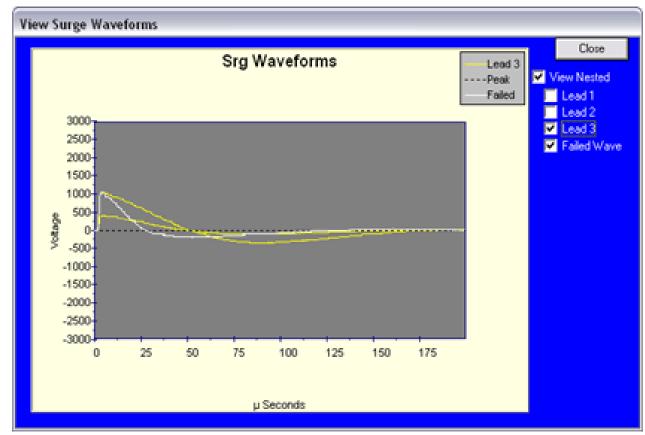


Weak Insulation Turn to Turn











High Potential Testing



High Voltage Test (HiPot)

- Tests insulation to a maximum limit
- Computer controlled
 - Non-destructive
 - Used for RCM
- Both AC and DC
 - AC High Voltage distribution
 - DC Motor and Motor Circuits

Vline	New	In Service
	3.4*Vline+1700	65% of New
480	3332	2165.8
575	3655	2375.75
600	3740	2431
2300	9520	6188
4160	15844	10298.6
6900	25160	16354
13800	48620	31603



Timed Resistance Testing



Polarization Index Profile

- Graphing Timed Resistance Test Results will provide unique patterns or profiles
- The resultant pattern is indicative of differing anomalies
- Profiles can be separated into five basic patterns



POLL QUESTION No. 2





How applicable is motor testing to your plant or facility?

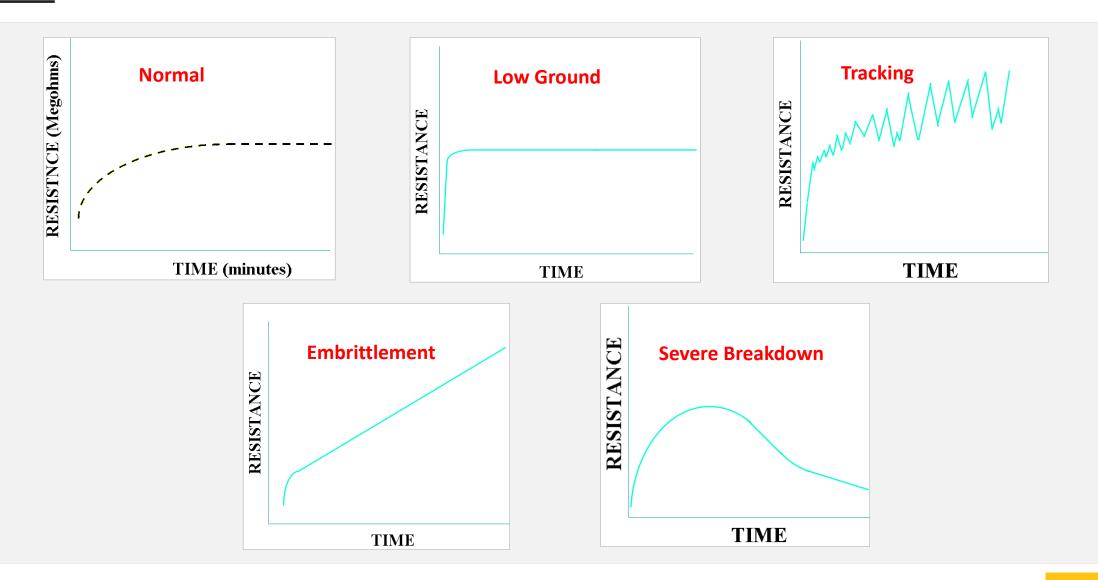
(Click only one answer)

- Highly applicable
- Somewhat applicable
- Not very applicable
- Not sure







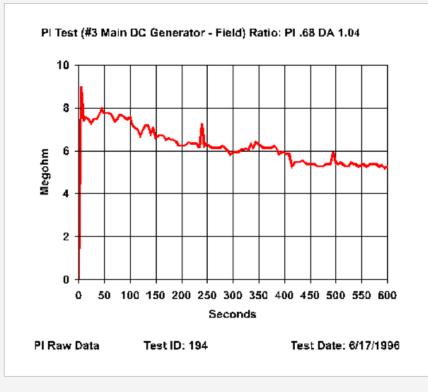


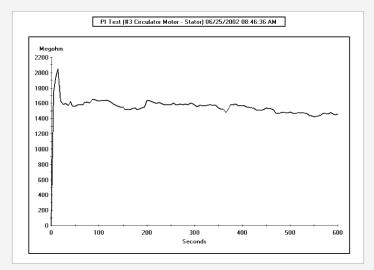


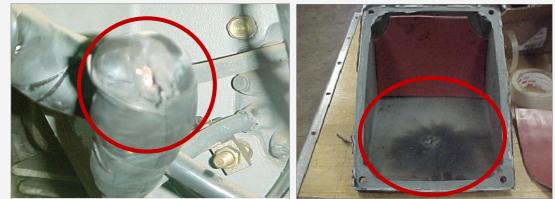
PI Case Studies



DC Generator - unit failed within 1 day after start.





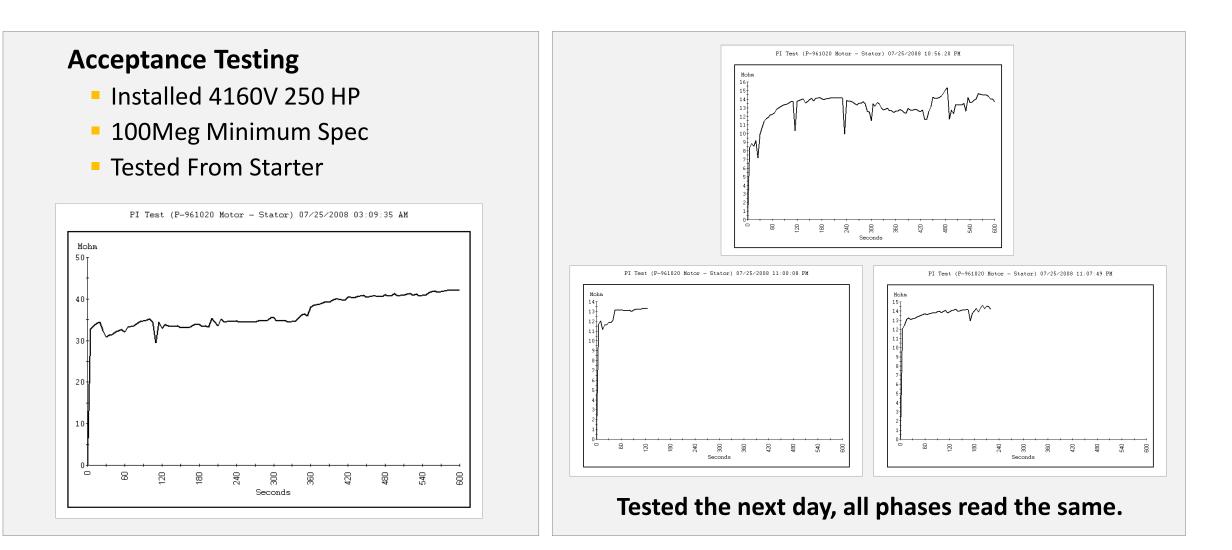


Indoor pump motor.



PI Case Study







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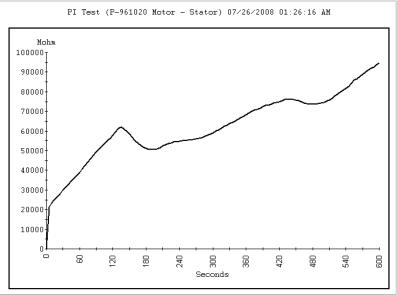
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PI Case Study

- One phase lead was removed from the insulator terminal in the starter cabinet
- Resistance to ground immediately went to 21,200 Meg in 5 seconds
- 94,649 Meg 2.43 Pl

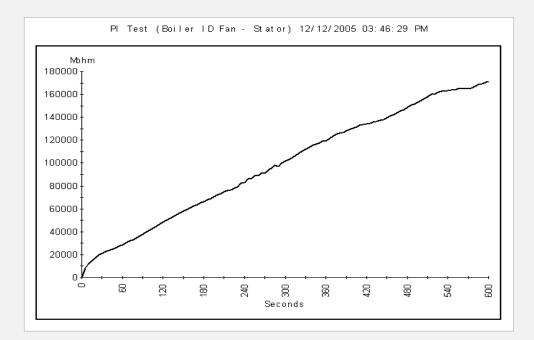








Rejected Cabling



Boiler ID Fan Embrittled Cabling





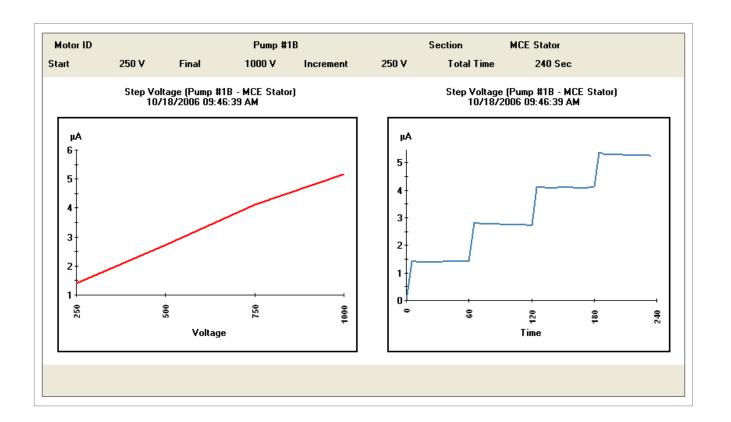
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Step Voltage Testing



Timed Resistance Test

- Displays:
 - Voltage
 - Current
- Step's voltage incrementally at user defined duration
- Monitor current at each step
- Observe for a jump in current
- Perform at baseline and when PI is unstable





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Energized Electric Motor Testing



- Entails connection of voltage leads and amp probes to the motor leads or secondary circuits (CTs, PTs) on medium and high voltage motors
- Provides a means of assessing Power Quality, current, and electrical signature analysis (MCSA, ESA)
- Provides a means of identifying many mechanisms that lead to motor failure.
- Most OEM instruments cannot assess insulation integrity.
- More opportunity to conduct energized testing
- Can be incident-free, if safe practices and procedures are followed

Energized Electric Motor Testing



Expedient Testing Method for identifying:

- Power Quality Problems
- Motor and Motor Circuit Electrical Issues
- Motor and Drive Train Mechanical Issues
- Most Failure Mechanisms that lead to motor insulation breakdown

Excellent Tool for:

- Equipment Troubleshooting
- Equipment Commissioning
- Condition Monitoring
- Power Quality Fault Isolation / Localization







Power Quality Problems



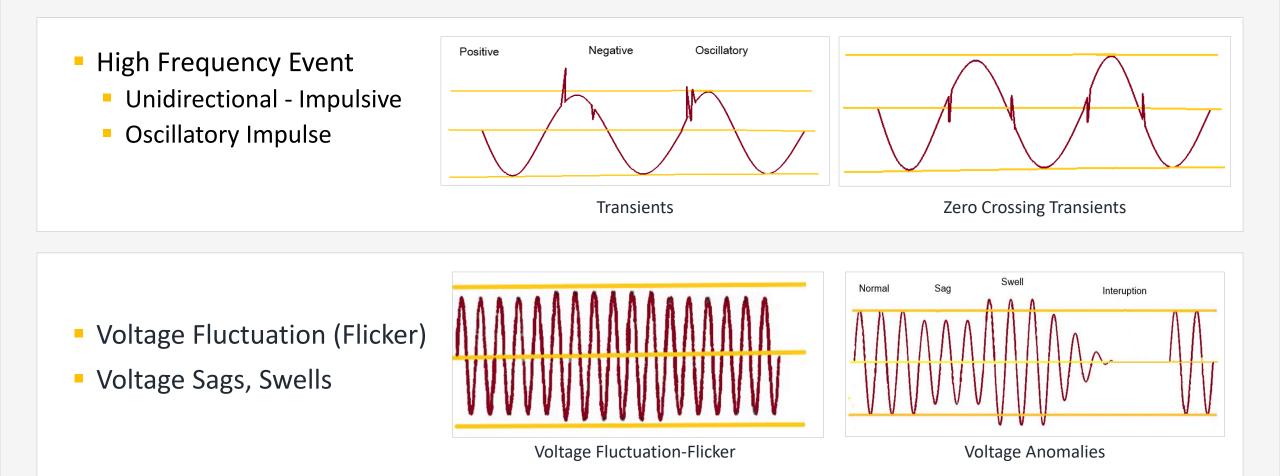
- High Frequency Event
 - Unidirectional
 - Oscillatory Impulse
- Voltage Fluctuation (Flicker)
- Voltage Sag
- Voltage Swells
- Notching Zero Voltage Crossing
- Transient Over Voltages
- Unbalanced Voltage
- Unbalanced Current
- Reactive Current Unbalance

- Power Factor
- Harmonics
 - Even Harmonics
 - Odd Harmonics
 - Zero Harmonics
 - Mechanical Harmonics
 - Sequence currents
- Frequency Deviation
- Ground Anomalies



Power Quality Problems





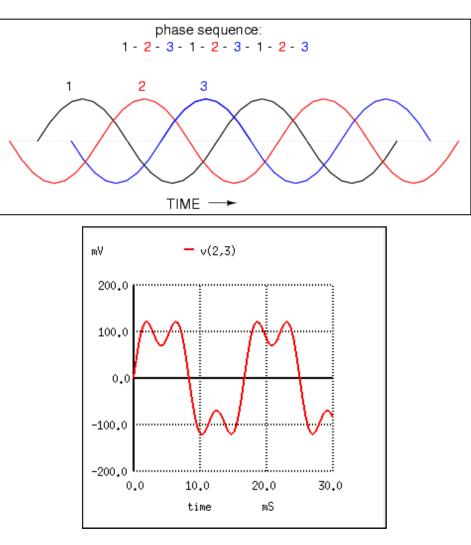


Power Quality Problems



Harmonics

- Multiples of the fundamental frequency
 - US 60Hz
 - Europe 50Hz
- Differing schools of thought:
 - Harmful
 - Not Harmful
 - It's prudent to believe they are and monitor accordingly.
 - Produce heat at the square of the number given equal value of the first





Harmonic Sequence



1	60	Pos	9	540	Zero Triplen	17	1020	Neg
2	120	Neg	10	600	Pos	18	1080	Zero
3	180	Zero Triplen	11	660	Neg	19	1140	Pos
4	240	Pos	12	720	Zero	20	1200	Neg
5	300	Neg	13	780	Pos	21	1260	Zero Triplen
6	360	Zero	14	840	Neg	22	1320	Pos
7	420	Pos	15	900	Zero Triplen	23	1380	Neg
8	480	Neg	16	960	Pos	24	1440	Zero

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Power Quality Analysis



Voltage Analysis

- Check Balance:
 - Phase to Phase
 - Phase to Neutral
- Harmonic Distortion

• NEMA Derating

- Voltage Balance
- Harmonic Voltage Factor

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	[Hz] 60.0	Pow [kW]	0.4 0.53 0.18	XXXX		Machine <u>P</u> erf.
	MA Volt Onb MA Derating [RPM]	Factor	1.00 2.97-	Torque - Speed		Current
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	Phs-1	Phs-2	Phs-3	Total	Units
Power factor	0.875	0.020	0.883	0.597	
Real Pwr.	25.2	0.6	25.8	51.6	HP
Reactive Pwr.	14.0	28.3	13.7	56.0	HP
Apparent Pwr.	28.9	28.3	29.2	86.3	HP
Running Cnt.	77.05	76.20	78.51	77.25	Amp
Line Voltage	482	480	481	481	Volt

	Fund RMS	Tot RMS	C.F	THD
Voltage 1-2	478.65	479.07	1.42	0.87
Voltage 2-3	483.86	484.28	1.43	0.77
Voltage 1-3	487.66	488.08	1.43	0.91
Average	483.39	483.81		
% Imbalance	0.98	0.98	HVF	0.00
%NEMA Derating	99.52	%NEMA	Derating	100.00
Voltage 1	279.13	279.39	1.39	1.30
			1.00	1.00
Voltage 2	276.75	277.00	1.40	1.20
Voltage 2 Voltage 3	276.75 281.38	277.00 281.64		
-			1.40	1.20
Voltage 3	281.38	281.64	1.40	1.20

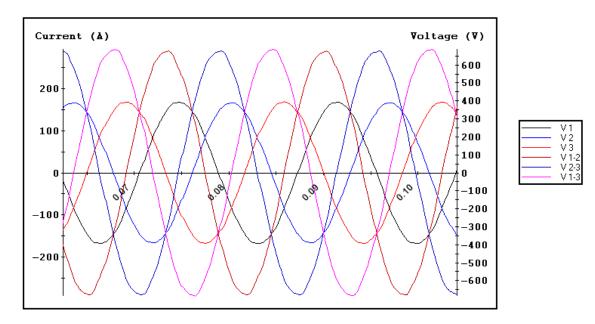


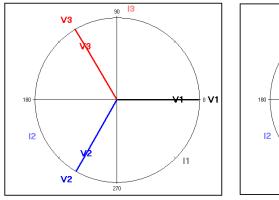
Power Quality Analysis



Voltage Analysis

- Should be reviewed first
- Most important parameter
 - Must be balanced
 - Proper phasing
 - Will affect all other PQ values
 - Can have deleterious affects
- A 3%-5% Phase to Phase voltage unbalance will half motor life







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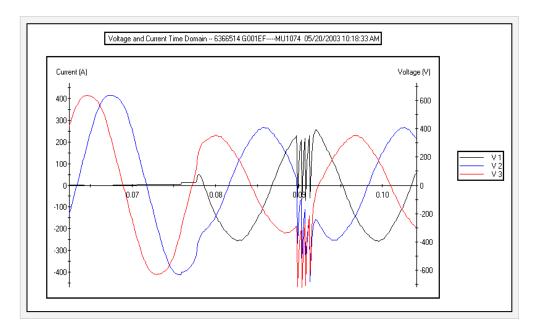
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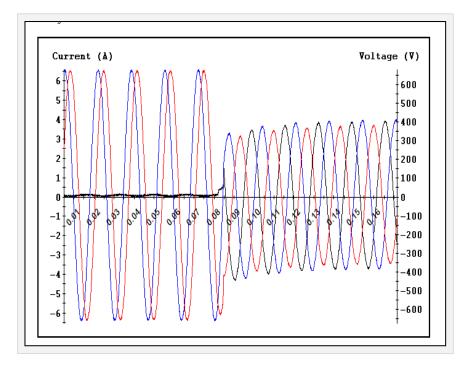
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Ground Fault

Voltage to Neutral

- Useful for identifying grounds on un-grounded systems
- Phase with the low voltage is the affected phase
- Unaffected phase voltage increases





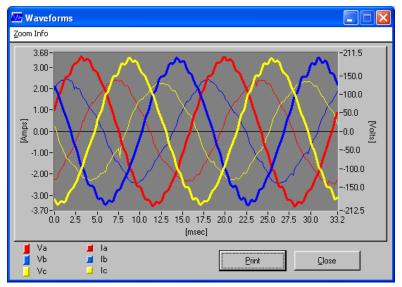


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Power Quality Analysis



- Current Analysis
- Balanced Voltage does not mean you will have balanced current
- Current should be:
 - Balanced with loading
 - Should exhibit proper phasing
 - Should be free of distortion



		Current		
Current 1	200.27	200.42	1.46	1.79
Current 2	198.65	198.78	1.44	1.49
Current 3	192.60	192.74	1.46	1.65
Average	197.18	197.31		
% Imbalance	2.32	2.32		
% FLA	80.48	80.54		
		Impedance		
		Impedance		
	Real	Impedance Magnitude	Angle	
Phase 1			Angle 41.83]
Phase 1 Phase 2	Real	Magnitude	_]
	Real 1.03	Magnitude 1.39	41.83	



Data Correlation

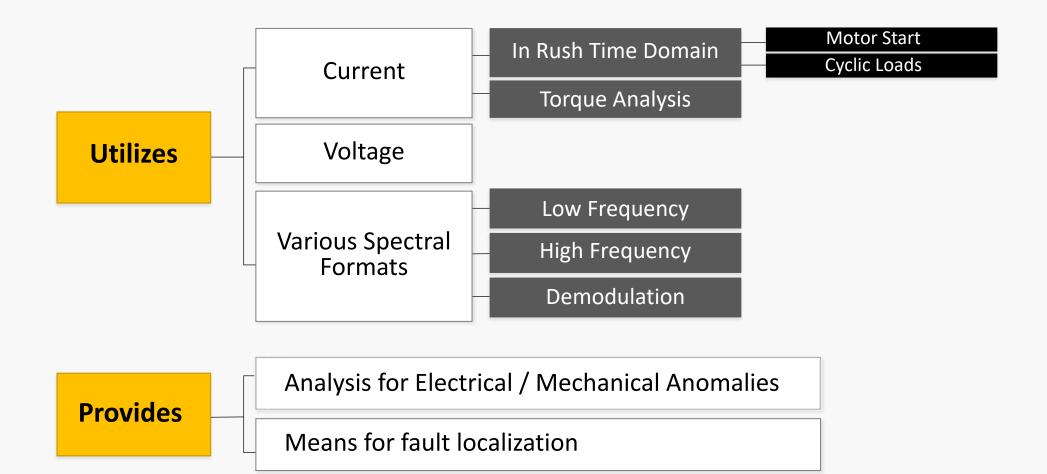


Current Unbalance	Impedance Unbalance	Analysis
Low >3-5%	Low >3-5%	Normal
Moderate (Example 8%)	Comparable (Example 8 – 15%)	High Resistance Connection
Moderate (Example 8%)	2x Current % or > (Example 18 –30%)	Stator Fault (Shorted Turns, Coils)
Moderate (Example 8%)	High (Example 50 –80%)	Defective PF Capacitor

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Electrical Signal Analysis







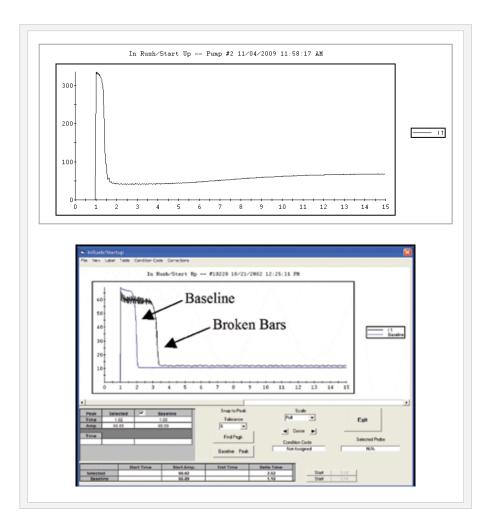
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Monitoring Motor Starts



Importance of Monitoring Motor Starts Provides:

- Monitoring of In-Rush
- Transition Timing
- Rotor Bar Correlation
- Load Evaluation
- Timing Circuit Verification
- Start Circuit Evaluation
- Trending





Starting Profile Analysis

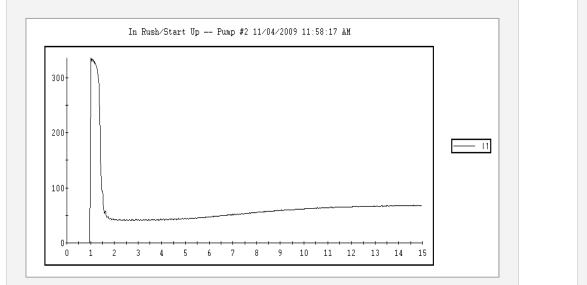


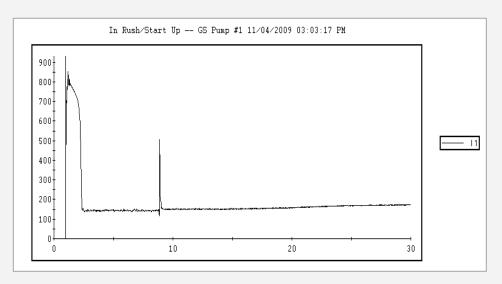
Current Peak Trend	Transition to Run Time	Analysis
Normal	Normal	Normal
Lower in one channel	Longer	High Resistance Connection
Higher in all channels	Longer	Mechanical Load Problem
Lower in one or more channels	Longer	Rotor Fault (May also have ripple)



Starting Circuits







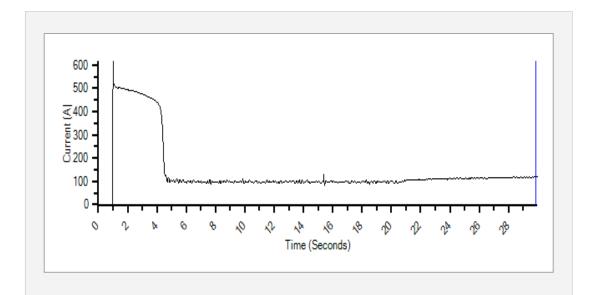
75 Horsepower Across Line

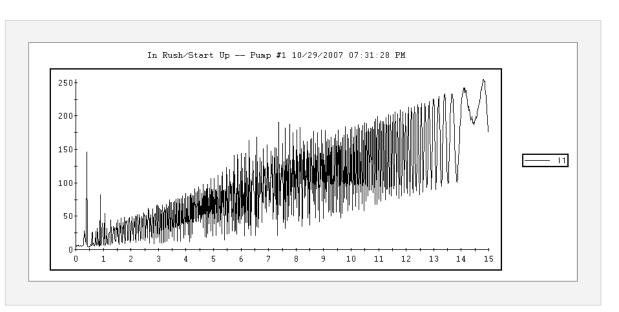
400 Horsepower Soft Start



Starting Circuits







4000 HP Start Reactor (Variable Transformer Taps)

VFD Start

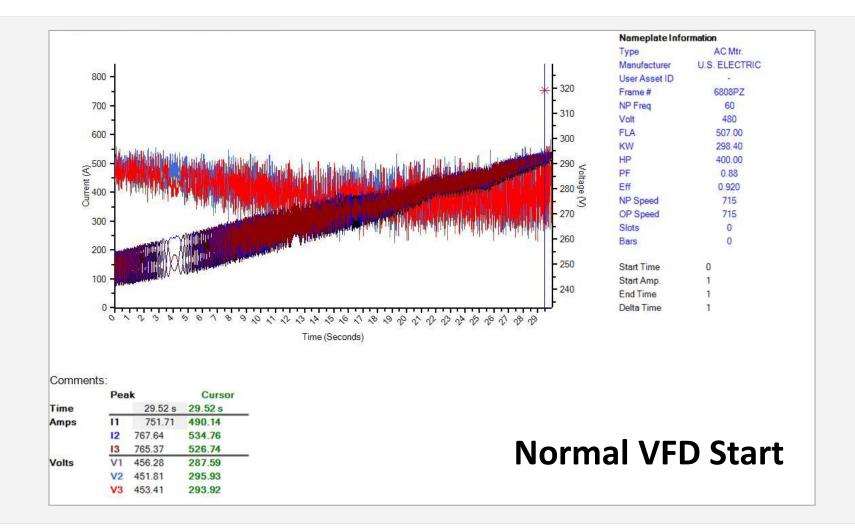


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Starting Circuit Case Study

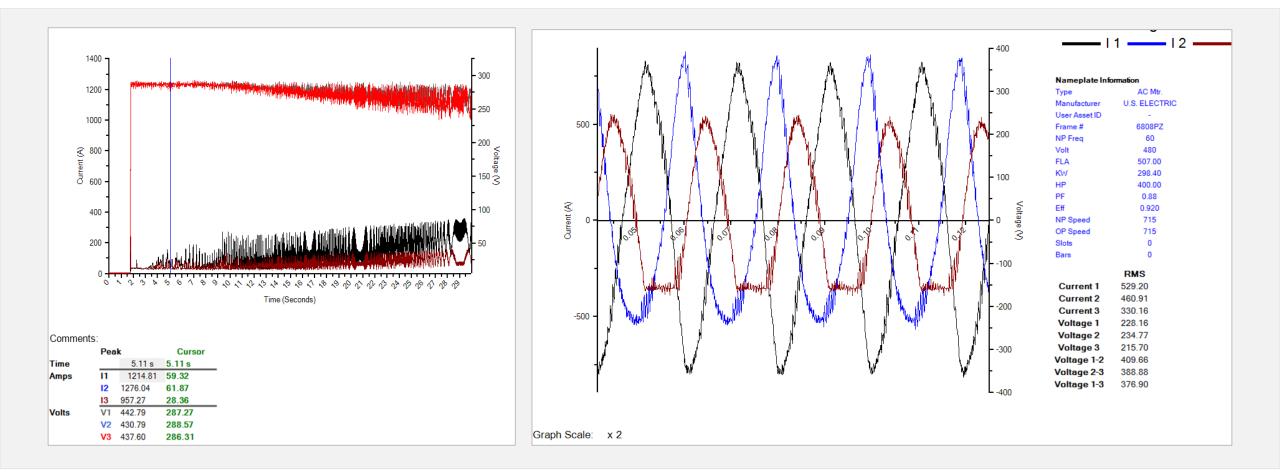






In Rush on a Defective VFD





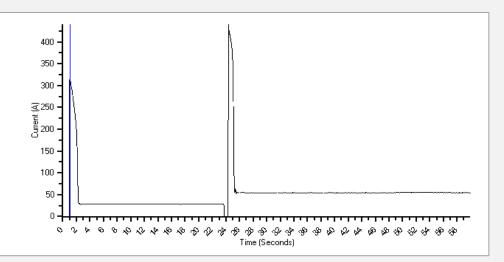


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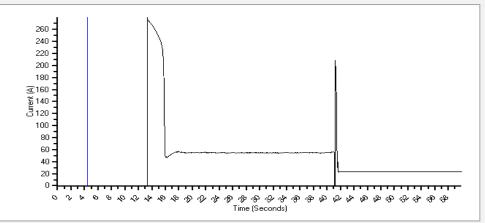
50HP 2 Speed Fan

- Normal Start
- Start in Slow
- Shift to Fast



50HP 2 Speed Fan

- Contactors wired backwards
- Started in Fast, Shifted to Slow



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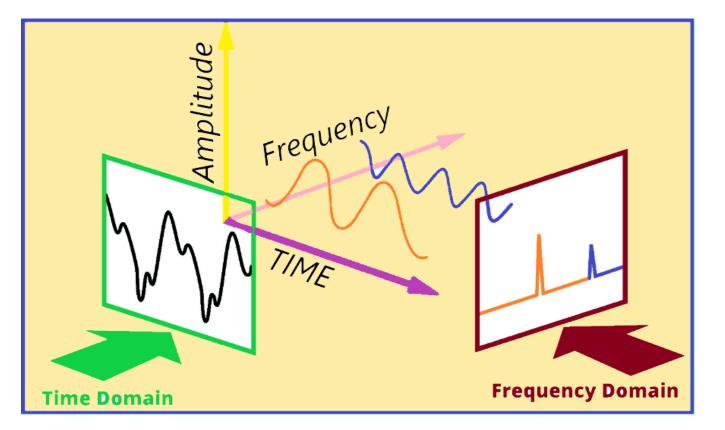
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ESA, MCSA - FFT



Fourier Transform- Time Domain to Frequency

- Signal Processing
- Prolonged Calculations
- All Frequencies present are caused by something

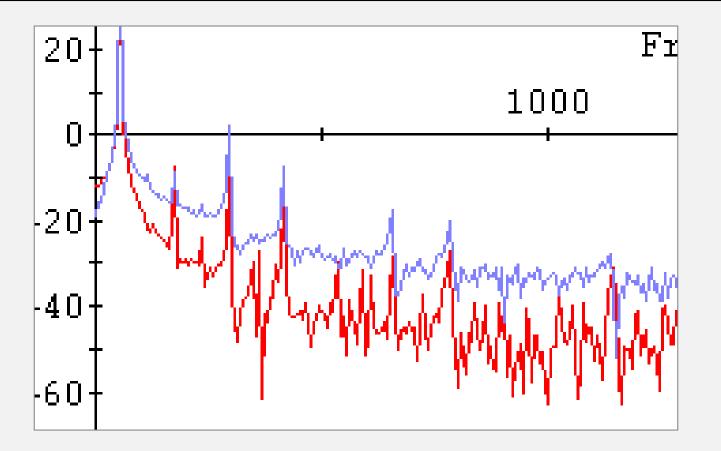




Fault Localization



Overlay of Voltage and Current FFTs

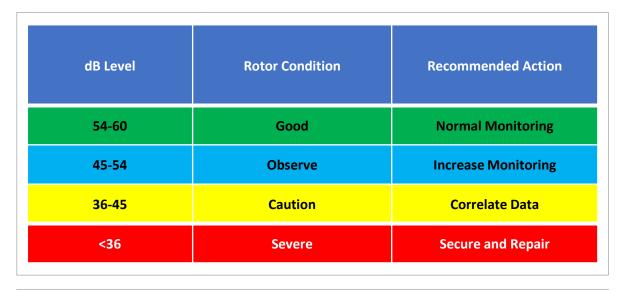


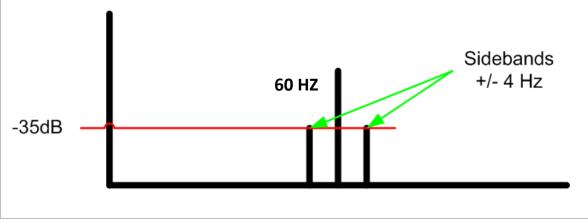




Identifying broken Rotor Bars

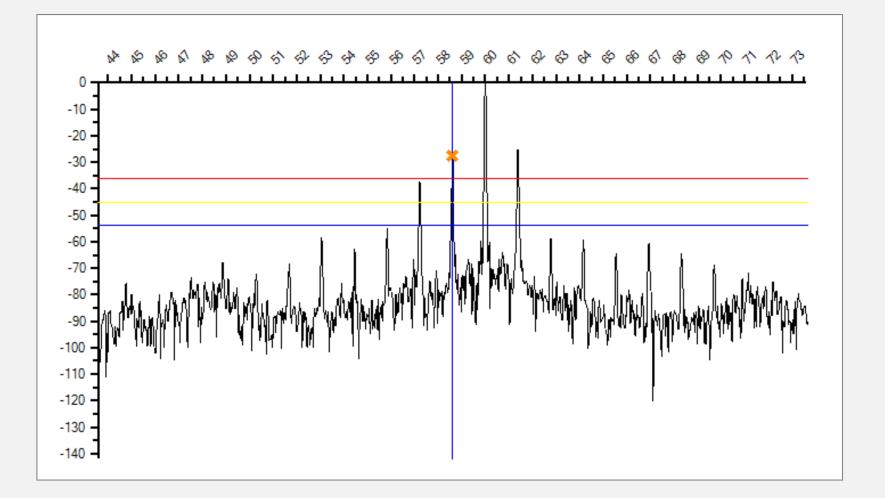






Broken Rotor Bars



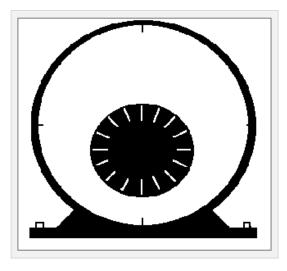


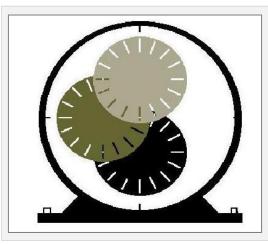




Eccentricity

- Rotor is not running in magnetic center
 - Radially
 - Axially
 - Combination of both
- Types
 - Static Constant offset from centerline
 - Dynamic Variable off set from centerline



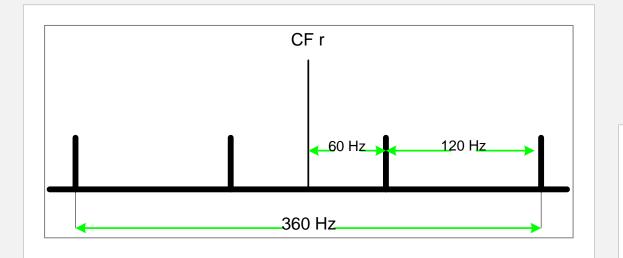






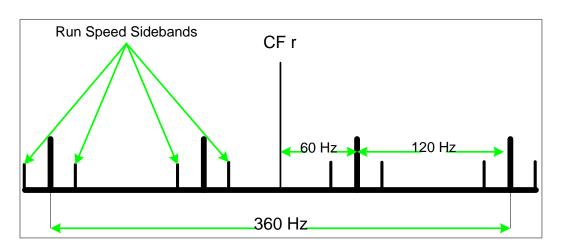
Eccentricity causes <u>non-harmonic</u> peaks

Based on (Rotor Speed) x (# of Rotor Bars) / 60



Dynamic Eccentricity

Pole Pass sidebands are present



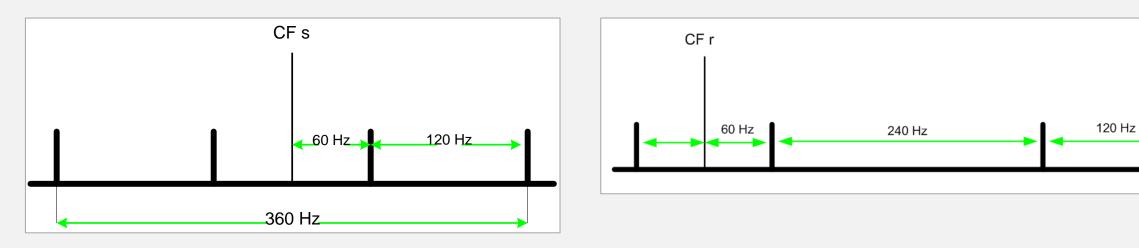




Stator Mechanical Fault

- Core movement
- Loose coils

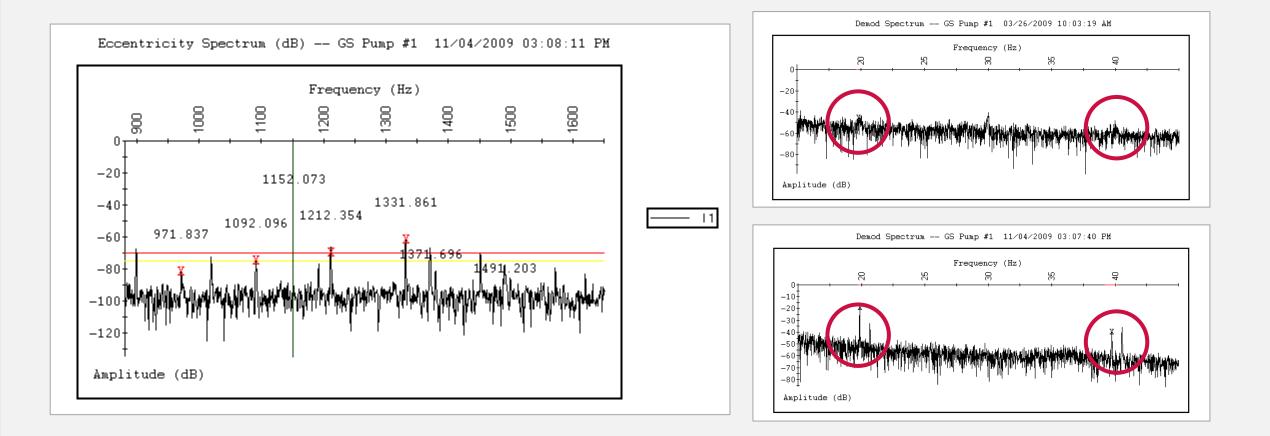
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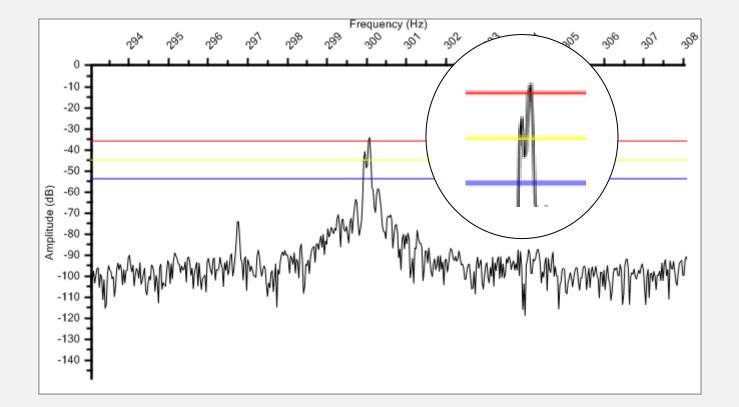






Rotor Axial Movement

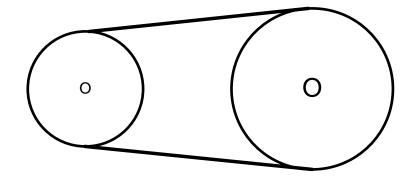


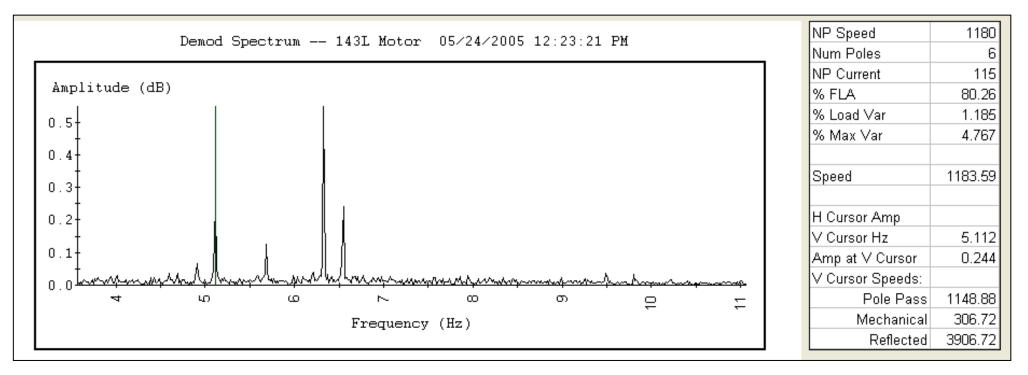




Belt Frequencies









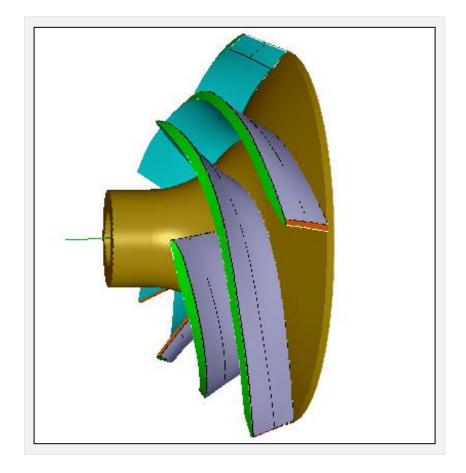
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Mechanical Fault Analysis



Blade Pass Frequencies

- Multiply the number of blades times the pole pass frequency. (electrical)
- Multiply the RPM of the pump shaft times the number of blades on the impeller (mechanical)
- For belt driven fans multiply the RPM of the driven sheave, times the number of fan blades

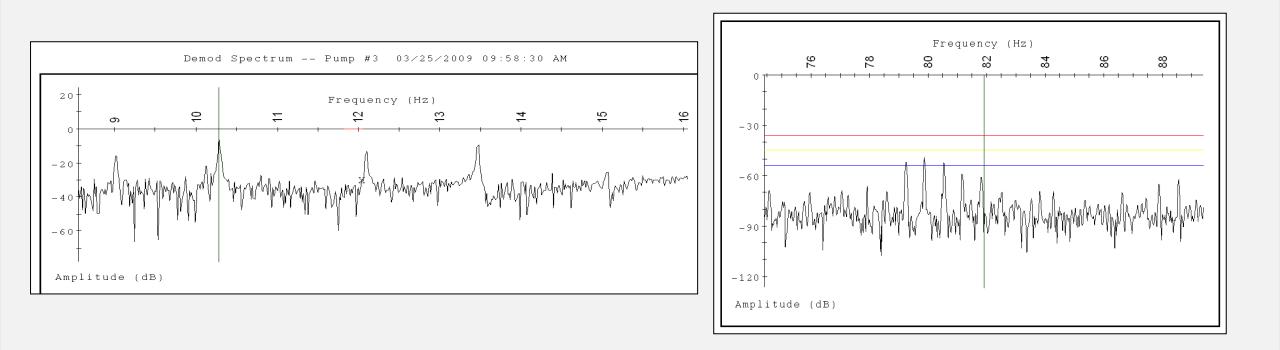




Mechanical Fault Analysis



Bearings in final stages display non-integer peak pairs at lower frequencies





Motor Testing Overview



Electric Motor Testing provides a considerable number of tests to evaluate and trend critical motor parameters

- This presentation was meant to be a brief introduction into these capabilities
- Additional, more involved and detailed presentations are available for this venue, that break down many of the individual evaluation methods discussed





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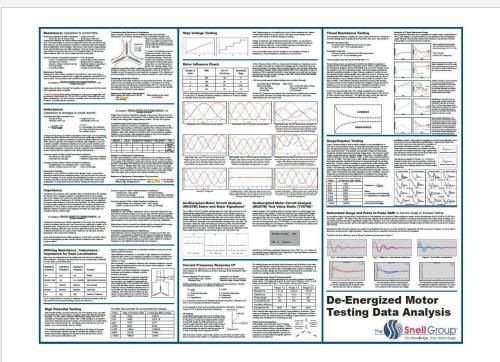
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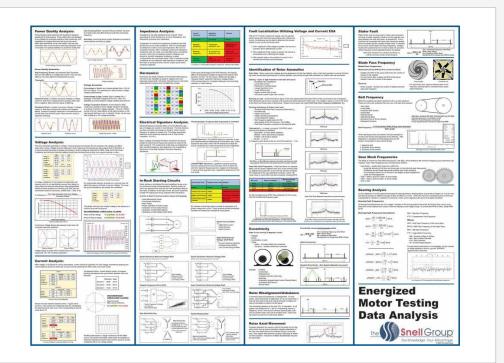


Motor Testing Wall Charts

Laminated 36" x 48"



De-Energized Data Analysis



Energized Data Analysis

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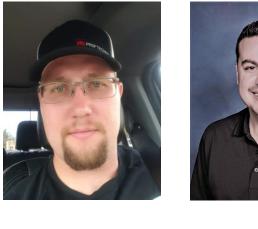


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Industrial machine alignment: Tips for getting precise measurements in demanding conditions

Mines, sawmills, and pulp and paper plants represent some of the toughest environments to maintain machine alignment. **Matt Joinson**, the owner and operator of Jaffray Millwright and Welding, located in Jaffray, British Columbia, knows this well. He's got many stories to tell as well as advice for alignment professionals across sectors.

Joining him in this webinar is **Payam Assadi**, Fluke Reliability sales manager for Pruftechnik Canada, as they discuss how to get precise measurements in challenging conditions, how to avoid downtime and high maintenance costs, and the best alignment tools for the job.



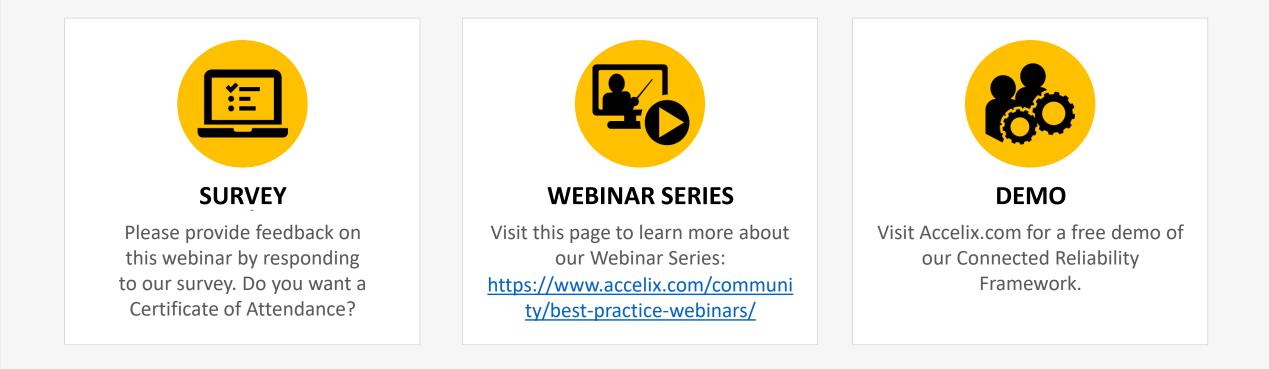
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