



# How 'connected' thermography builds sustainable asset health management

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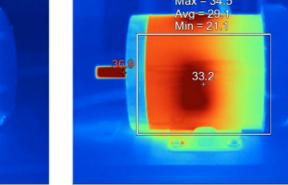
Thermal/Infrared Thermography
Level I certified



## **Agenda**

- Getting started with asset health management
- Program rights
- Qualitative asset screening
- Connected Thermography
- Sustainability
- Q&A







## **POLL QUESTION No. 1**



Are you currently using Thermography in your asset health management?

(Click only one answer)

- Yes, we are
- Not yet, but actively planning to use it in the future
- Still deciding on whether to use it
- No plans to use thermography



## The maintenance and reliability journey

#### Reactive

## Corrective work orders after failure

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Can be expensive

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Shorter asset life

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Appropriate for some assets

#### **Preventive**

#### Calendar & meterbased scheduling

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Increased efficiency

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Less downtime

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Can perform too much / too little maintenance



#### **Predictive**

## Work orders from real-time asset data

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Increased uptime

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More productivity

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Data-driven maintenance decisions

**Maintenance-centric** 

**Asset-centric** 



## Disruption in the year 2020







- 82% of organizations are considering how to add/increase digitalization technologies
- 35+% of organizations have seen at least a quarter drop in production
- Only 15% of organizations are operating as "normal"
- 80% of organizations actively determining how, where, and when to use connected data to drive maintenance activity



## **Asset health management with Connected Thermography**



#### **CHALLENGES**



#### SOLUTION



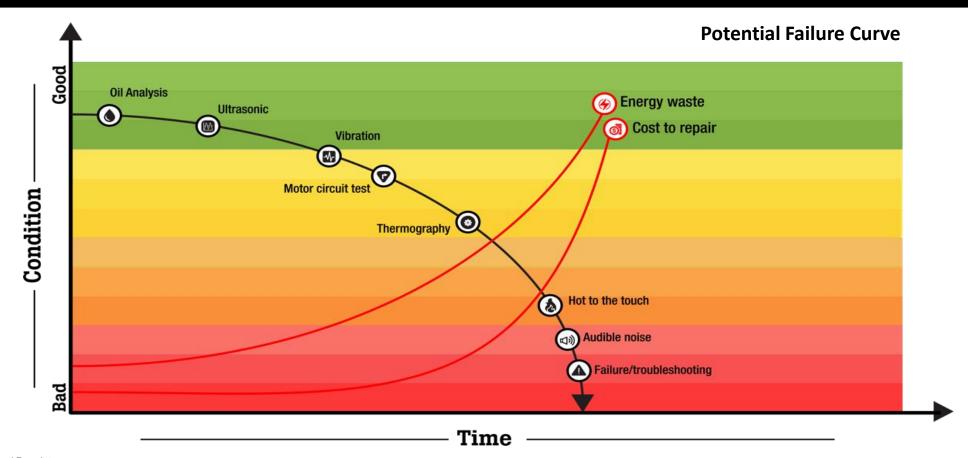
- Limited resources for planned maintenance and a desire to move to asset-centric condition-based maintenance
- Asset health management for building envelope, electrical cabinets, electrical motors, and mechanical components

- People
- Process
- Technology
- Culture



## **Condition-based maintenance with Thermography**

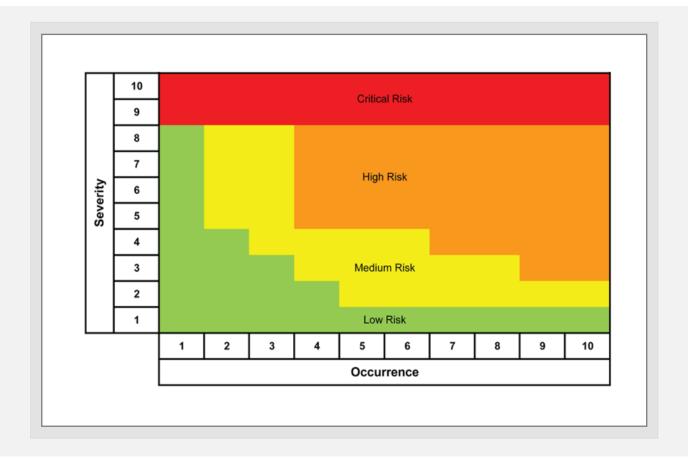
Why Thermography: Multiple failure modes will generate heat as the component degrades. Screening assets on a regular basis provide insight to asset condition





## **Launching a Thermography program**

- Asset criticality
- Failure modes
- Technology selection





## **Picking the right Thermography Camera**

An in-focus image is needed to see details and accurately measure temperatures— both of which are critical in identifying asset health.

- Distance accessibility
- What is object size of the component
- Safety PPE
- Fixed, manual, or auto focus
- Image storage
- Software for reports





## Fluke technology: full range of camera choices

#### TiS20+ IR Camera



- 120 x 90 IR resolution
- 752F Max temperature
- D:S 130:1 0.2"@ 5 ft
- Fixed Focus
- FC Connect
- MSRP \$1749

#### **Ti401 PRO IR Camera**



- 640 x 480 IR resolution
- 1202F Max temperature
- D:S 1065:1 0.06"@ 5 ft
- Laser sharp Auto Focus
- FC Connect
- MSRP \$6999

#### TiS60+ IR Camera



- 320 x 240 IR resolution
- 752F Max temperature
- D:S 532:1 0.12"@ 5 ft
- Fixed Focus
- FC Connect
- MSRP \$3499

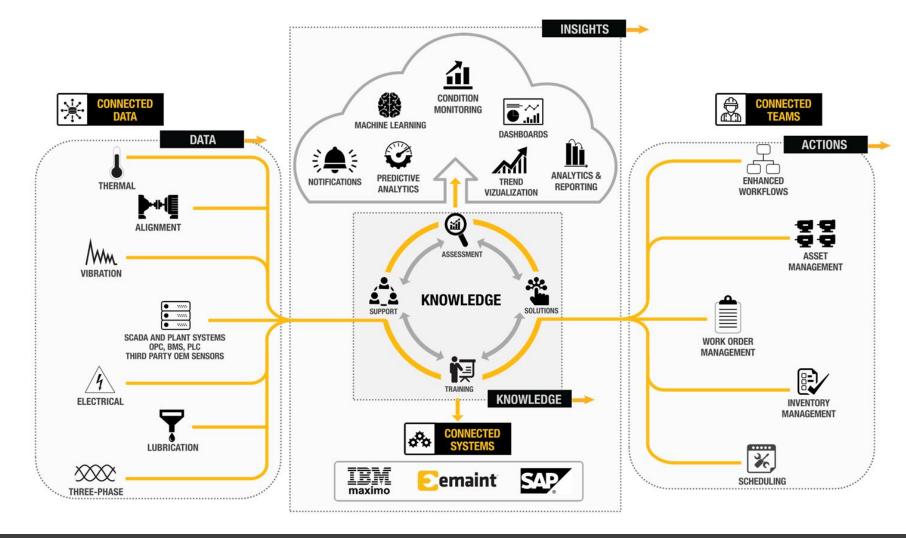
#### **Ti480 PRO IR Camera**



- 640 x 480 IR resolution
- 1832F Max temperature
- D:S 1065:1 0.06"@ 5 ft
- Multi sharp Auto Focus
- FC, Video capable
- MSRP \$9999



## **Our Connected Reliability ecosystem**



Enabling the Right Actions on the Right Assets at the Right Time



## People and processes of Fluke Connected Thermography



#### **People**

- Level II trained Reliability Engineer
- Trained Maintenance Technicians

#### **Route Based Asset Screening**

- Detailed Work Order
- Standard Work description and Procedures
- Markings on Assets

#### **Comparative Review**

- Baseline and compare to nameplate rating
- Alert with 10C increase, and Alarm with 20C increase

#### Build a program and scale



## Standard work in asset health management

- Detailed work order
- Standard procedures
- Ensure repeatability
  - Mark assets for Ti
  - Mark location
- Camera settings
- Emissivity
  - Paint marker on asset
- Tag image with asset ID and work order

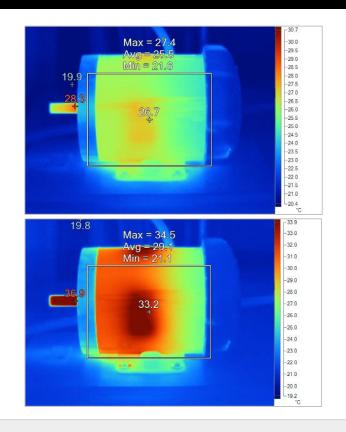




#### **Baseline asset condition**

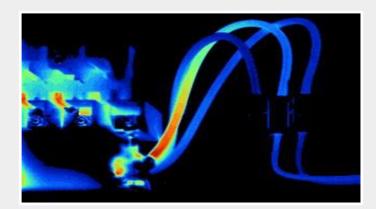
## Quickly measure and compare thermal condition for each asset in the inspection route without disrupting operations

- Measure bearing temperatures in motors or rotating equipment
- Identify "hot spots" in electronic equipment
- Identify leaks in sealed vessels
- Identify faulty insulation in process pipes or other insulated processes
- Find faulty terminations in high power electrical circuits
- Locate overloaded circuit breakers in a power panel
- Identify fuses at or near their current rated capacity
- Identify problems in electrical switchgear
- Capture process temperature values

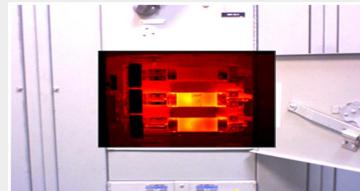




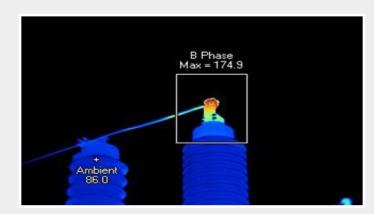
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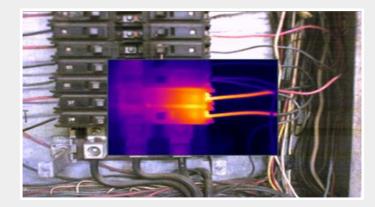
**Hot phase** 



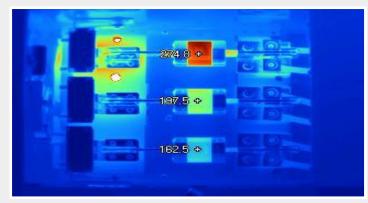
**Motor control center** 



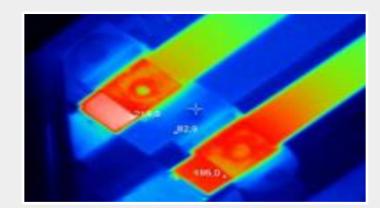
**Substation** 



**Lighting circuit** 



**Fuse disconnect** 

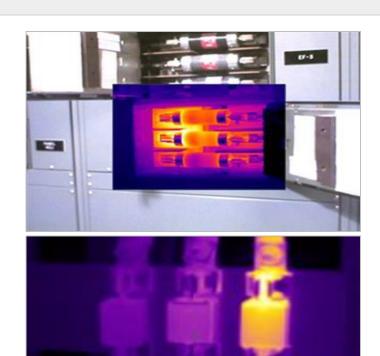


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## **Causes of electrical hot spots**

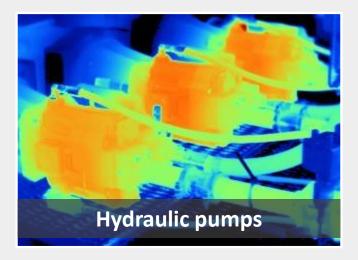
- Unbalanced loads
- Harmonics (third harmonic current in neutral)
- Overloaded systems/excessive current
- Loose or corroded connections increased resistance in the circuit
- Insulation failure
- Component failure
- Wiring mistakes
- Underspecified components



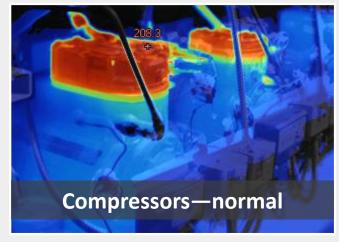


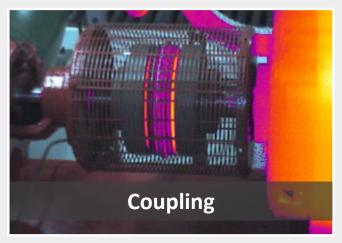
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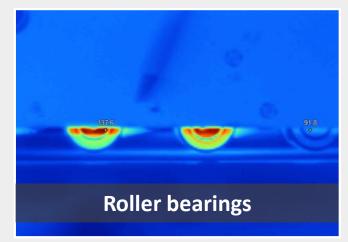














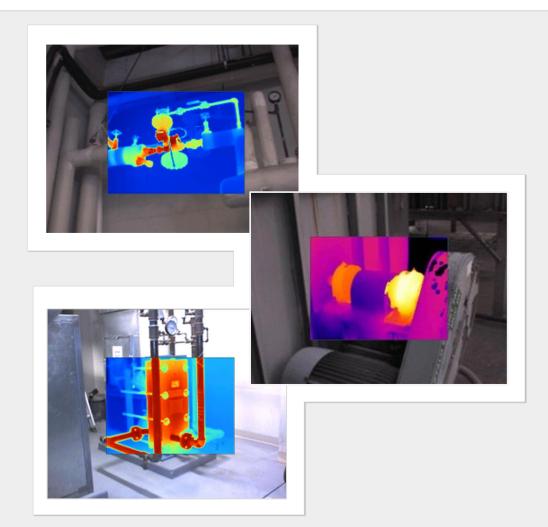
## Mechanical hot spot and issues

#### **Commonly inspected components**

- Motors
- Pumps
- Heat exchangers
- Steam traps
- Conveyors

#### Typical reasons for temperature hotspots or deviations

- Bad cooling -- due to reduced airflow
- PQ problems -- unbalance, overload, harmonics
- Bearings/misalignment
- Motor windings insulation resistance
- Undersized components



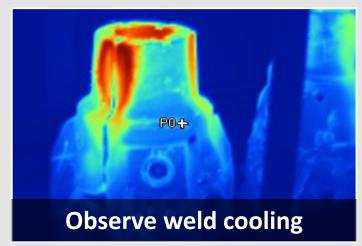


## **Process applications for infrared**

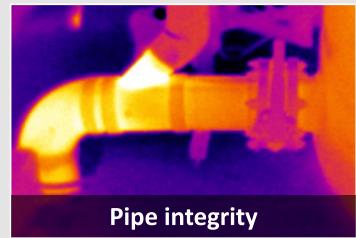














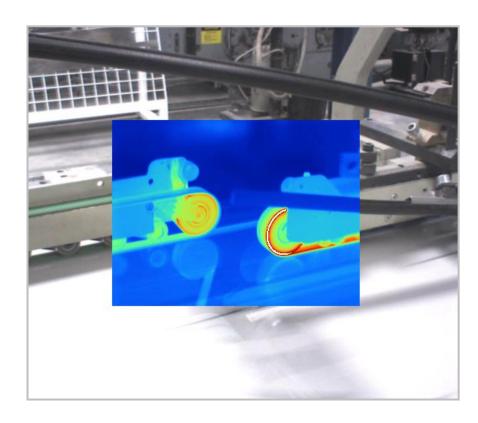
## **Process hot spot and issues**

#### **Commonly Inspected Components**

- Refractory insulation
- Tanks and vessels
- Steam systems/traps
- Pipes and valves
- Heaters/furnaces
- Manufacturing equipment
- Boilers and reactors

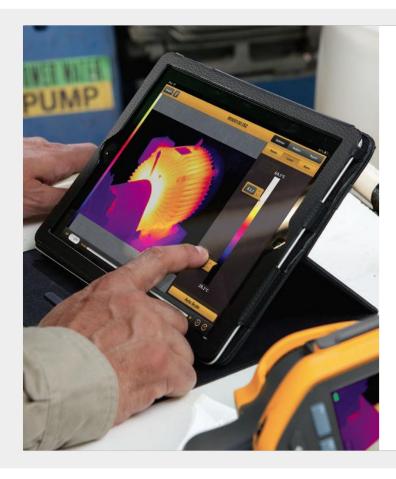
#### **Typical Reasons for Temperature Hotspots or Deviations**

- Damaged structures caused by worn pipes, etc.
- Abnormal heat flow/heat gradients
- Gas or steam leakage
- Failed components
- Corrosion





## Managing data and reports



#### All Fluke Infrared Cameras are Fluke Connect

- Cloud storage of images. Save it / Share it across organization
- Access images on any device using automatic FC cloud storage
- IR PhotoNotes voice or text notes attached to image
- Capture Digital and Infrared Image at once

#### **FC Desktop software for Analysis and Reports**

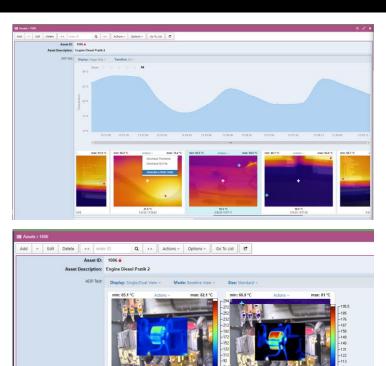
- FC Desktop Templates to drive report standardization
- Easily edit and optimize images to visualize equipment status
- Organize images and search by asset, severity, and title



## Fluke Connected Thermography data in eMaint CMMS

#### Fluke connected data with integration into eMaint CMMS enables qualitative asset health management.

- Asset Health View with Ti Images
  - History view of image thumbnails
  - Trend line graph of centerpoint temperature
  - Dropdown: Download image, or thumbnail
  - Action: Generate corrective work order
- Thermal Images in Asset View
  - Single image in asset view
  - Dual image of two most recent images
  - Most recent image and baseline image





## **Asset Health Management with Connected Thermography**



#### **Connected Data Workflow**

- Schedule route based thermal measurements of all critical equipment in order to capture thermal problems
- Integrate/Upload measurements in Fluke Connect Cloud software
- Provide a detailed report of thermal images captured during asset screening and provide actionable results for the maintenance team
- Develop asset health knowledge and continuously improve

#### Outcomes – avoid costly downtime by:

- Capturing "hot spots" during regular PM routes
- Extending the life of equipment
- Eliminating a misdiagnosis



## **POLL QUESTION No. 2**

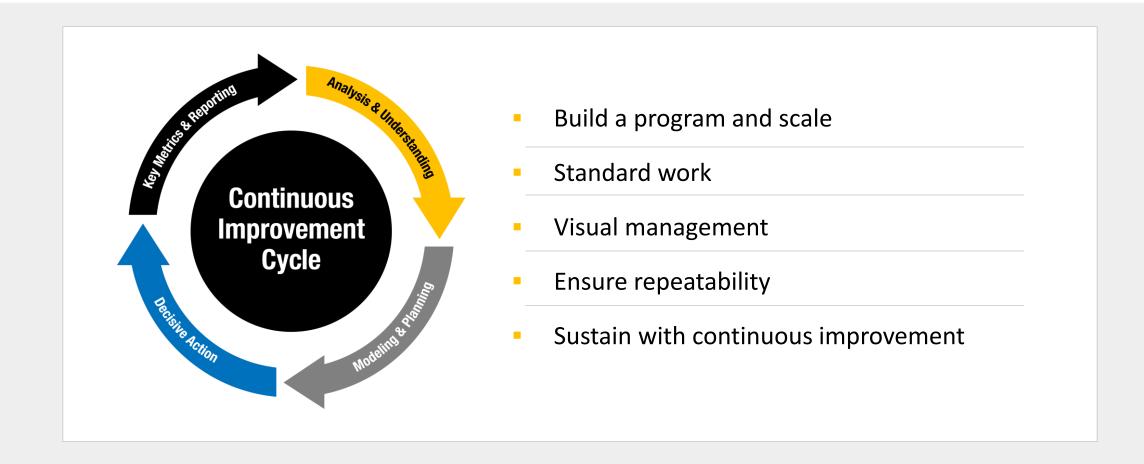


What is the biggest barrier you're facing in growing your asset management program? (Click only one answer)

- Lack of resources
- Lack of expertise in putting together such a program
- Lack of effective change management
- Complications because of the COVID-19 pandemic
- Something else



## Making the Connected Thermography program sustainable





## **Questions**

## **QUESTIONS?**



## Thank you!

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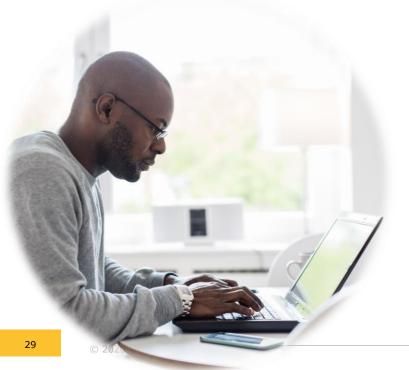




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