

Power Quality Notes 3-2 (MT)

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Power Quality Measurements

- Motivation for measuring power quality
- Commercial equipment
- Case studies

IEEE Std. 1159

• Wealth of information on power quality terminology and measurement techniques

IEEE Std 1159-1995

IEEE Recommended Practice for Monitoring Electric Power Quality

Comment on "Harmonics"

- In common usage, "harmonics" has come to mean multiples of line frequency
- However, a typical line current or voltage could have harmonics at other frequencies as well, e.g. from switching power converters, drive PWM frequencies, etc.
 - Often called "interharmonics"

Motivation for Monitoring Power Quality

- Diagnose incompatibilities between source and load
- Develop power quality baseline needed
- Predict future performance
- Economic especially if critical loads are present

Possible Effects on Equipment of Power Quality Events

- Transients --- dielectric failure, insulation breakdown, reduced MTBF
- Sags --- shutdown due to undervoltage
 Can be mitigated by UPS
- Swells --- reduced equipment life

Power Quality Events

Table 1. Summary of Power Quality Variation Categories

			Example	
Power Quality	Method of		Power Conditioning	
Variation Category	Characterizing	Typical Causes	Solutions	
	Peak magnitude,	Lightning,	Surge Arresters,	
	Rise time,	Electro-Static Discharge,	Filters,	
Impulsive Transients	Duration	Load Switching	Isolation Transformers	
	Waveforms,	Line/Cable Switching,	Surge Arresters,	
	Peak Magnitude,	Capacitor Switching,	Filters,	
Oscillatory Transients	Frequency Components	Load Switching	Isolation Transformers	
			Ferroresonant Transformers,	
	RMS vs. time,		Energy Storage Technologies*,	
Sags/Swells	Magnitude, Duration	Remote System Faults	UPS	
		System Protection	Energy Storage Technologies*,	
		(Breakers, Fuses)	UPS,	
Interruptions	Duration	Maintenance	Backup Generators	
Undervoltages/	RMS vs. Time,	Motor Starting,	Voltage Regulators,	
Overvoltages	Statistics	Load Variations	Ferroresonant Transformers	
	Harmonic Spectrum,		Filters (active or passive),	
	Total Harm. Distortion,	Nonlinear Loads,	Transformers (cancellation or	
Harmonic Distortion	Statistics	System Resonance	zero sequence components)	
	Variation Magnitude,	Intermittent Loads,		
	Frequency of Occurence,	Motor Starting,		
Voltage Flicker	Modulation Frequency	Arc Furnaces	Static Var Systems	

* Note: Energy Storage Technologies refers to a variety of alternative

energy storage technologies that can be used for standby supply

as part of power conditioning

(e.g. superconducting magnetic energy storage, capacitors, flyw heels, batteries)

Reference: C. J. Melhorn et. al., "Interpretation and Analysis of Power Quality Measurements," *IEEE 1995 Annual Textile, Fiber and Film Industry Technical Conference*, May 3-4, 1995, pp. 1-9

Power Quality Measurement Instruments

• From voltmeters to spectrum and power quality analyzers and dataloggers ... there is a wide range of equipment used for measuring power quality

AC Voltage Measurement

- Voltmeter
 - Line-neutral and line-line measurements
 - Gives no information as to harmonic content, waveshape, etc.

Methods of Determining RMS Value

- Peak method: take peak value and divide by 1.4
 - Works for sinusoids but has errors for nonsinusoidal
- Average method: takes average of rectified waveform and multiplies by a constant
- True RMS

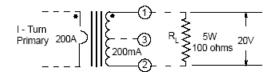
- Thermal detectors or digital methods

AC Current Measurement

- Resistive shunt
 - Simplest, oldest technology
 - Requires voltage metering and non-inductive resistor
- Current transformer (CT)
 - Low frequency bandwidth limit
- Hall probe
 - Works down to DC, but can drift

200A Current Transformer (CT)





Applications

- Sensing Overload Current
- Ground fault detection
- Metering
- Analog to Digital Circuits

Electrical Specifications @ 20°C ambient

Electrical Specifications				
Primary Current		200A nom., 500A max.		
Turns Ratio	1000:1 nominal			
lo%a/dlt per Amp Ratio at 200A fo	0.100 V/A			
Volt per Amp Ratio at 20A for	0.0991 V/A			
DC Resistance at 20°C	11 ohms			
Dielectric Withstanding Voltage (Hi-pot)		4KVrms		
Mechanical Specifications				
Case	Polycarbonate			
Encapsulant		Ероху		
Flammibility Co		orms to UL94-VO		
Terminals	s P			
Marking	TALEMA Date Code (W/Y) AC1200, Dot at start pin			
Approximate Weight	150 grams			
Tolerance		±0.2mm		

Reference: http://rocky.digikey.com/WebLib/Amveco-Talema/Web%20Data/AC1200.pdf

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Clamp on AC Current Probe

i1000s AC Current Probe



Large AC Current Probe

The Fluke i1000s is a clamp-on ac current probe designed to expand oscilloscope applications in industrial and power environments. The Current Probe (shown in figure) provides the following features: Ideal for measuring distorted current waveforms and harmonics.

- Allows accurate measurement of currents from 100 mA to 1000 A rms, 5 Hz to 100 kHz without breaking into the circuit
- A passive filter eliminates noise and ring on rapidly rising di/dt waveform, ensuring accurate screen displays
- Connects directly to an oscilloscope through a reinforced coaxial cable and an insulated BNC connector
- Can be used with Multimeters with optional PM9081/001 BNC/Banana adapter
- · One year warranty

Reference: www.fluke.com

Clamp on Hall Effect Current Probe

i1010 AC/DC Current Clamp



AC/DC Current clamps for DMM's

Fluke Current clamps are the ideal tools to extend the current ranges of Fluke tools.

- Battery-powered Hall-effect probe measures 1 A to 1000 A
- Two ranges: 100 A & 1000A, 1 mV/ Amp output
- Take accurate current readings without breaking the circuit
- Maximum conductor Ø 32 mm
- CAT III 600V safety rating
- Also available with softcase for DMM and clamp (i1010 kit)
- · One year warranty

Reference: www.fluke.com

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Power Quality Handheld Analyzer

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Fluke 43B Power Quality Analyzer



Get control of power problems

The Fluke 43B Power Quality Analyzer combines the most useful capabilities of a power quality analyzer, scope and multimeter in a single easy-to-use instrument. The user interface is selectable in English, German, French, Italian and Spanish.

Reference: www.fluke.com

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Power Quality Recorder

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Reliable Power Meters Power Recorder



Every measurement, every event, on every cycle, all the time – without thresholds

From set-up to finished reports, the RPM Power Recorder is the complete solution to your portable power monitoring needs. The Power Recorder analyzer is all you need to monitor, study and document:

- Loading and load interaction
- Power consumption and demand
- Sags, swells, flicker or transient events
- Ground currents
- Phase relationships, including phase imbalance
- Frequency stability
- Harmonics and noise

Reference: www.fluke.com

Power Quality Monitor Equipment Specs.

Watthours, varhours (supplied,

and delivered), thermal demand

250 nanosecond w/ 4 MHz peak

To 63rd voltage, current and power,

Pst, Plt, instantaneous, meets IEC

0.1% of full scale (VA, VAR, Watt, PF)

RECORDING RATE AND

· Adjustable from one cycle up to

one week, multiple rates per

10 GB Hard Drive, 64 MB RAM

THD, meets IEC61000-4-7

61000-4-15, IEC 868

MEASUREMENT

+ 0.05% of full scale

0.1 % of full scale

DATA STORAGE

measurement type

Recording Rate

Data Storage

Continuous, or by Exception

ACCURACY

Voltage, Current

Resolution

14 bit

Power

Enerav

Energy/Demand

Transient

detect

Harmonics

Flicker

INPUTS

Voltage

 Four voltage inputs, phase A, B, C, neutral to ground voltage

Current

 Four current inputs, phase A, B, C, and neutral current

Circuit Type

 Single phase, split phase, independent channels, 3-phase wye, 3-phase delta

Input Impedance

5 Megohm

Digital

 8 selectable inputs and 8 outputs through external I/O (optional)

MEASUREMENT RANGE AND CAPABILITY

Voltage

 5-750 VAC and 0-800 VDC, 6 Kv impulse

Current

 0-10,000 amps through external current clamps (0-3 VAC input)

Frequency

• DC, 45 to 65 Hz, and 400 Hz

Sample Rate

 256 samples per cycle, (15.3 KHz @ 60 Hz, 12.8 KHz @ 50 Hz), 32 samples per cycle (400 Hz)

Peak Detector

 4 MHz (duration greater than 250 nsec and with a frequency content greater than 5 KHz)

Reference: www.ametekpower.com



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COMMUNICATIONS

Ethernet

TCP/IP, 10Base2

Modem

- 56 kBps, V.90 (optional internal or external)
- Serial
- RS232
- Parallel
- · Centronics for local printer

REAL TIME CLOCK

Internal

 1 sec/day at 77°F (25°C), 4 seconds per day over temperature, keeps time on loss of power

POWER SUPPLY

Input

 80 to 230 VAC, 50-60 Hz: 125 to 250 VDC (self or externally powered)

Battery (optional)

5 minute ride through

PHYSICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL

Enclosure

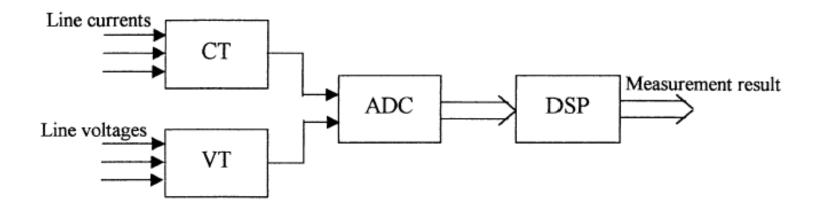
Weatherproof

Operating Temperature

 32° to 122°F (0° to 50°C) option for -22° to 122°F (-30° to 50°C)

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DSP-Based Power Quality Monitor



Reference: A. Ferrero et. al., "A Calibration Procedure for a Digital Instrument for Electric Power Quality Measurement," *IEEE Transactions on Instrumentation and Measurement*, vol. 51, no. 4, August 2002, pp. 716-722

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Case Study 1: Wind Power Power Quality Measurements

- Power quality on a 10 kV grid with 2 wind power turbines
- Two 225 kW pitch controlled wind turbines
- Pole-changing generators, 6/8 poles rated at 225 kW at higher speed, 50 kW at lower speed

Reference: T. Thiringer, "Power Quality Measurements Performed on a Low-Voltage Grid Equipped with Two Wind Turbines," *IEEE Transactions on Energy Conversion*, vol. 11. No. 3, September 1996, pp. 601-606

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Measurement Setup

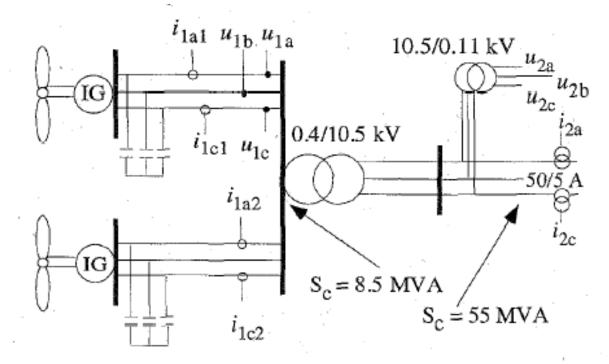


Fig. 1. The wind park and the location of the measurement modules.

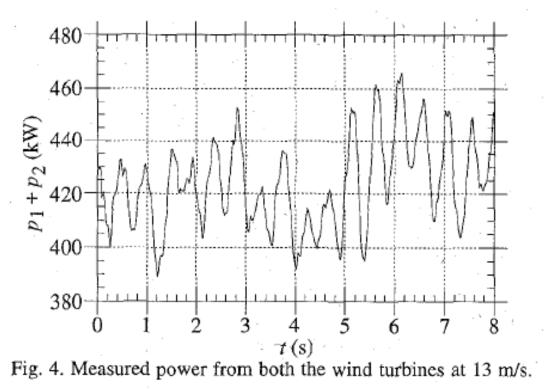
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Power Measurement: Both Turbines Operating

• Power measured at a wind speed of 13 m/s

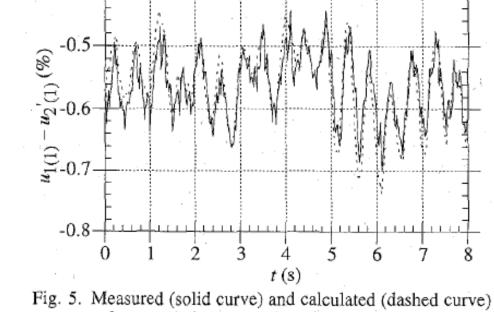


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Voltage Variation on Grid

• Measured and calculated at a wind speed of 13 m/s

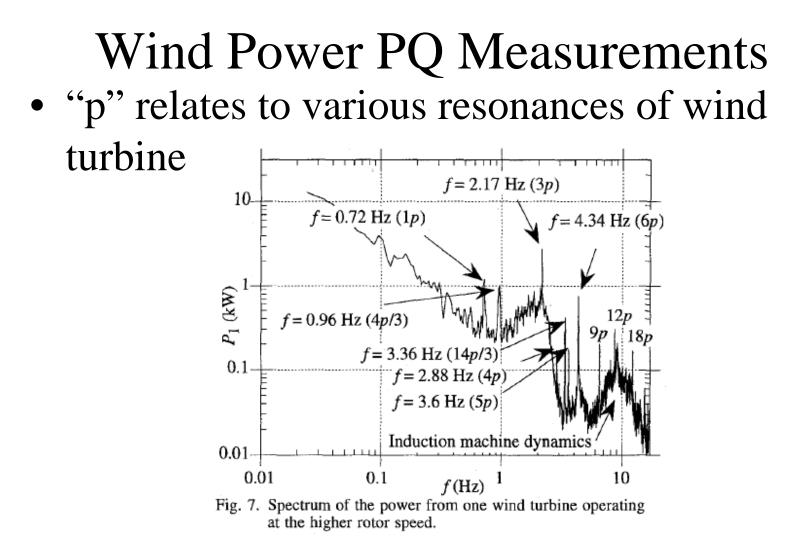


voltage variations caused by the wind turbines.

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Wind Power PQ Measurements • Solid line is IEC 555-3 voltage fluctuations limit 0.1 ΔU (%) 0.01 X/R = 5X/R = 0.50.001 0.01 0.110 f (Hz) Fig 8. Average voltage spectrum and IEC voltage fluctuation limit, together with some extreme points, the 3p-frequency and the steady-state voltage variation caused by the wind turbines

Reference: T. Thiringer, "Power Quality Measurements Performed on a Low-Voltage Grid Equipped with Two Wind Turbines," *IEEE Transactions on Energy Conversion*, vol. 11. No. 3, September 1996, pp. 601-606

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Phase Current and Voltage

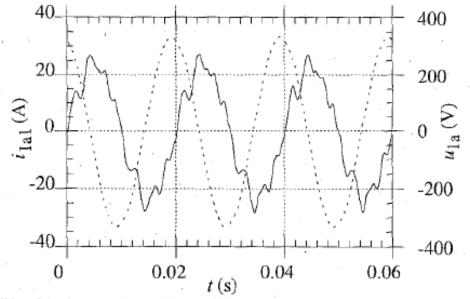


Fig. 9. Measured current (solid) and voltage (dashed) at 5 m/s.

Table 1. Relative harmonic content of the voltages.

order n	5	7	-8	9	11	13	15
frequency (Hz)	250	350	400	450	550	650	750
$U_{I(n)}(\%)$	1.1	0.72	0.11	0.072	0.097	0.056	0.018
$U_{2(n)}(\%)$	1.0	0.54	0.09	0.048	0.047	0.016	0.008

Reference: T. Thiringer, "Power Quality Measurements Performed on a Low-Voltage Grid Equipped with Two Wind Turbines," *IEEE Transactions on Energy Conversion*, vol. 11. No. 3, September 1996, pp. 601-606

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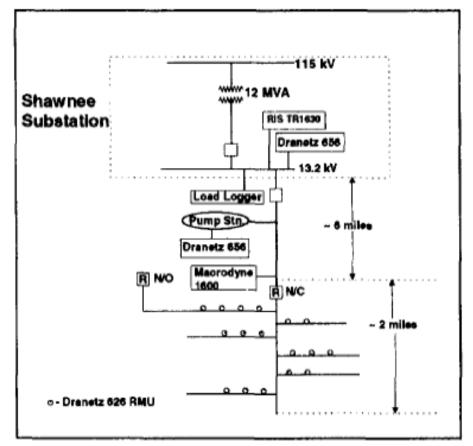
Case Study 2: Niagara Mohawk Study

- 2-year study (1989-1991) on power quality in 17 residences
- Equipment:
 - Dranetz 658 disturbance analyzers
 - Dranetz 626 remote monitoring
 - Telog 800 linecorders

Reference: C. Warren and C. Burns, "Home Power Quality - The Niagara Mohawk Study," *Proceedings of the 1994 IEEE Power Engineering Transmission and Distribution Conference*, April 10-15, 1994, pp. 634-638

Niagara Mohawk Study

• 17 residences were monitored

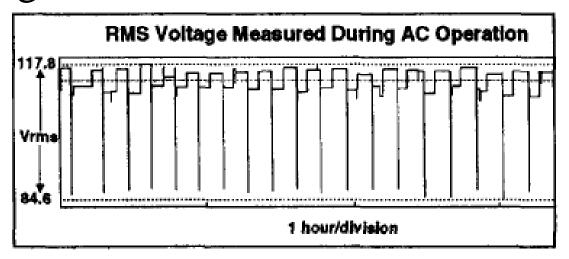


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Voltage Drops due to Air Conditioner Cycling

- 3V drop at service entrance to house
- 33V drop at the air conditioner due to house wiring

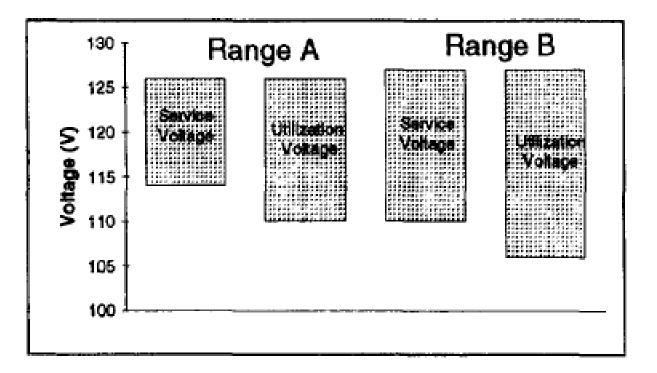


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ANSI C84.1 Voltage Limits

• No time limits associated with these standards

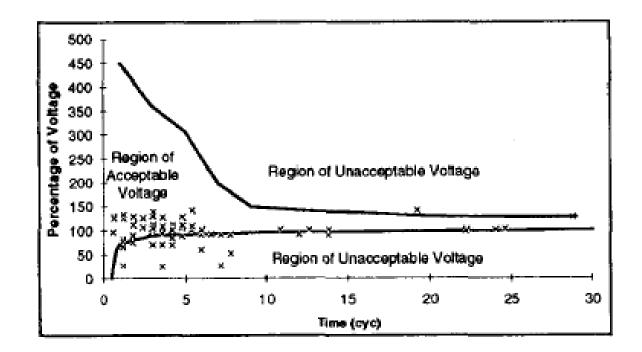


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CBEMA Curve --- One Year Period

• Measured at one home



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Reported Cause of Events

- Factors affecting events
 - House wiring
 - Stiffness of the utility supply

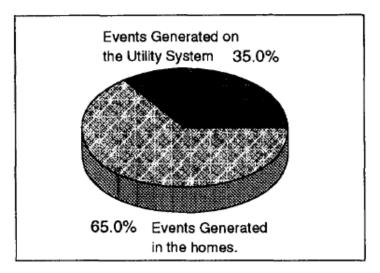


Fig. 5. Utility vs. Home Generation of Power Quality Events.

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Harmonics

Table 1. Maximum Voltage Distortion per IEEE 519				
	System Voltage			
Maximum Distortion	<69 kV	69-138	>138	
(%) (>1 hr)		kV	kV	
Individual Harmonic	6	3	2	
Total Harmonic	10	5	3	

Table 2. Harmonic Measurements					
Device	%THD %THD Avg Max		% Significant Individual Harmonic		
Fan (V)	5-6%	8.8%	2nd - 4.2%		
Fan (I)	150%	222%	6th - 64.5%		
TV (V)	4-6%	6.6%	2nd - 4%		
TV (I)	25%	142%	2nd - 69%		
Stereo (V)	3-4%	4.1%	3rd - 3.3%		
Stereo (I)	40%	102%	3rd - 68%		
Microwave (V)	2-4%	3.9%			
Microwave (I)	30-40%	62.9%	2nd - 59%		
Vacuum (V)	6-7%	7.6%			
Vacuum (V)		45.1%			

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Stereo Operation

• Slight dip in voltage at the crest of 2nd cycle

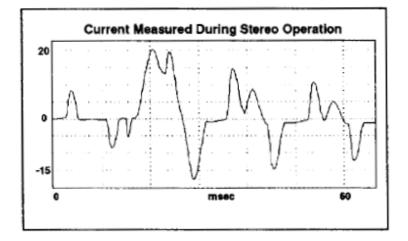


Fig. 6. Current Measured During Stereo Operation.

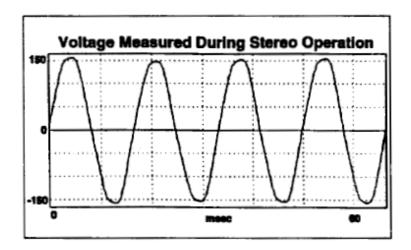


Fig. 7. Voltage Measured During Stereo Operation.

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Case Study 3:

Effects of High Efficiency Lighting

- New York Power Authority study (c. 1995) to determine effect of retrofitting electronic lamp ballasts to replace magnetic ballasts
- Used power quality monitoring equipment from BMI
- CTs used for current measurements on 3 phase power
- Baseline data collected before retrofitting

Reference: C. J. Melhorn et. al., "Effect of High Efficiency Lighting on Power Quality in Public Buildings," *Conference Record of the 1995 Industry Applications Conference*, October 8-12 1995, pp. 2069-2075

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THD Study on Phase A Before Retrofit

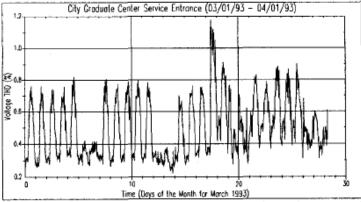


Figure 1: Total Harmonic Voltage Distortion Trend for One Month Before Retrofits.

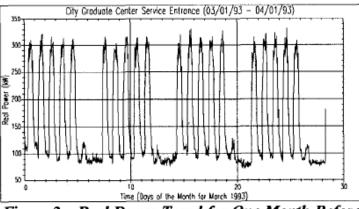


Figure 2: Real Power Trend for One Month Before Retrofits.

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THD Study on Phase A After Retrofit

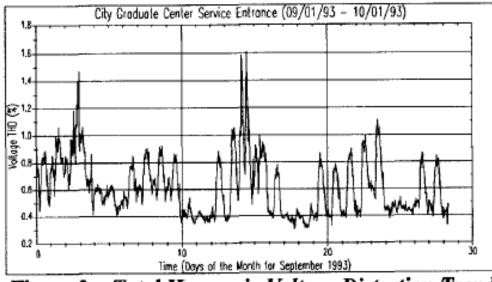


Figure 3: Total Harmonic Voltage Distortion Trend for One Month After Retrofits.

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THD Study on Phase A After Retrofit

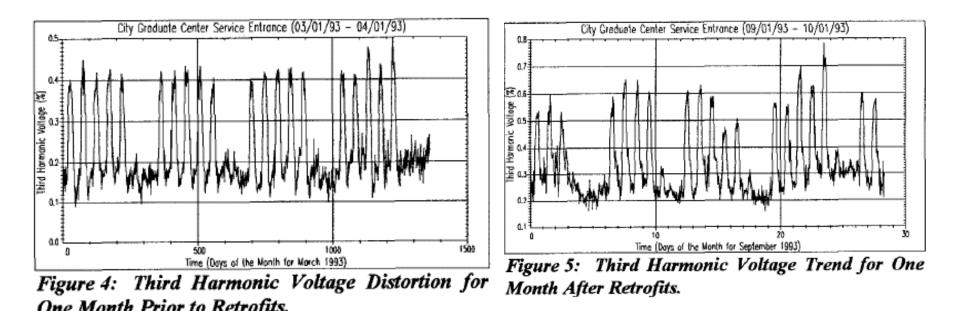
- Voltage THD increases after retrofit
 - Prior to retrofit: average THD = 0.49%
 - After retrofit: average THD = 0.62%
 - Within IEEE 519-92 limits in both cases. IEEE recommends voltage distortion at point of common coupling (PCC) to be < 5%

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3rd Harmonic Before and After Retrofit

• 3rd harmonic distortion increases after retrofit



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5th Harmonic Before and After Retrofit

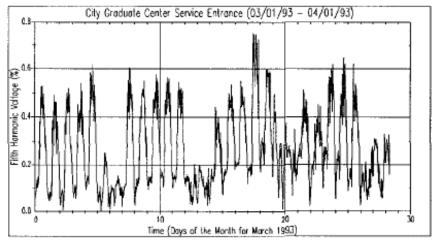


Figure 6: Fifth Harmonic Voltage Trend for One Month Before Retrofits.

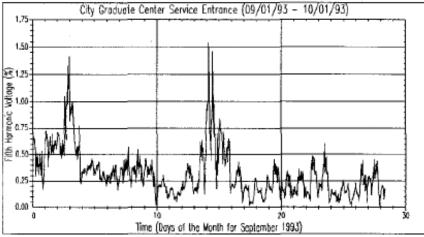


Figure 7: Fifth Harmonic Voltage Trend for One Month After Retrofits.

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Magnetic Ballast Input Current

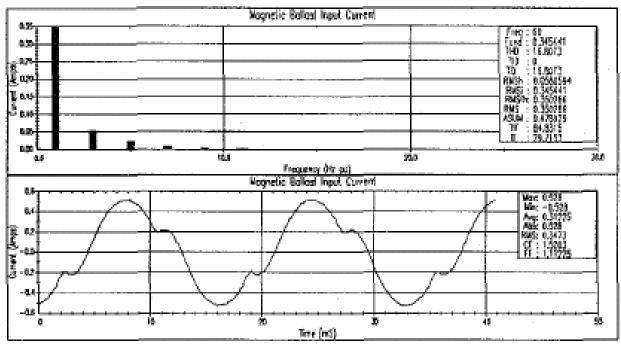
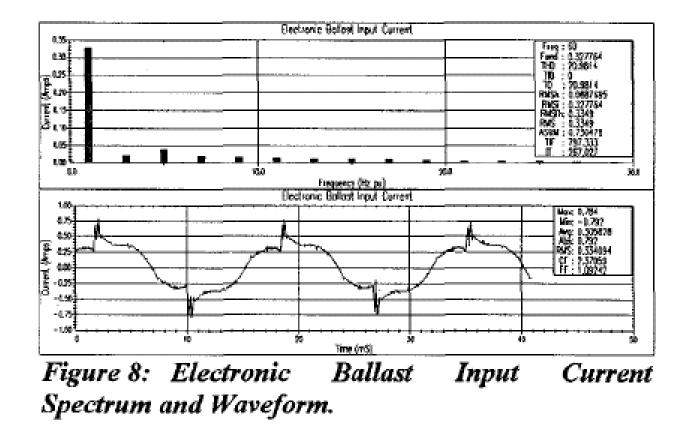


Figure 9: Magnetic Ballast Input Current Spectrum and Waveform.

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Electronic Ballast Input Current



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Case Study 4:

Effects of Measurement Accuracy on Power Quality Measurements
Study to determine effects of of non-ideal measurement components (CTs, voltage transformers) on power quality measurements on an arc furnace

• Authors added compensation filters to correct for nonideal frequency response of

measurement components

Reference: B. Boulet et. al., "The Effect of Measurement System Accuracy on Power Quality Measurements in Electrical Arc Furnaces," *IEEE Industry Applications Society Annual Meeting*, October 5-9 1997, pp. 2151-2155

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Power Quality Measurement System

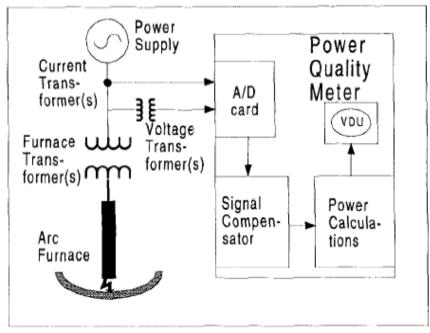


Figure 1: Power quality measurement system

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Accuracy of Instrument Transformers

- Standards (e.g. IEEE Std. C12.1 -1988 "American National Standard Code for Electricity Metering and IEEE Std C57.13-1993 "Standard Requirements for Instrument Transformers") specify only accuracy of 60 Hz measurement
- At frequencies higher than 60 Hz, there will be gain and phase errors

Reference: B. Boulet et. al., "The Effect of Measurement System Accuracy on Power Quality Measurements in Electrical Arc Furnaces," *IEEE Industry Applications Society Annual Meeting*, October 5-9 1997, pp. 2151-2155

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Accuracy of Instrument Transformers

• Measured freq. response of a voltage instrument transformer shows phase lead

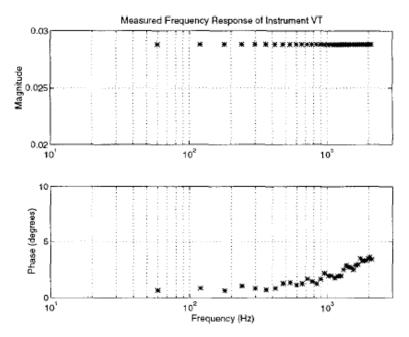


Figure 2: Measured frequency response of an instrument voltage transformer

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Other Causes of Error in PQ Measurement Systems

- Sampling adds phase shift
- Nonlinear phase response of antialiasing filters
- Phase shift doesn't affect RMS measurements
 - Phase shift can significantly affect power calculations

Reference: B. Boulet et. al., "The Effect of Measurement System Accuracy on Power Quality Measurements in Electrical Arc Furnaces," *IEEE Industry Applications Society Annual Meeting*, October 5-9 1997, pp. 2151-2155

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Effects of Nonideal Transformers

• Comparison of results with and without compensation filters

unbalance	without	with	difference
parameter	filters	filters	(%)
pos. seq.	193.6307	193.5505	0.0414
neg. seq.	25.3534	25.5983	-0.9567
zero seq.	26.7959	27.0302	-0.8668
% unbalance	13.1261	13.2586	-0.9994

Table 1: Unbalance calculation results

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Effects on Power Factor Calculations

• This waveform has 0.47 power factor

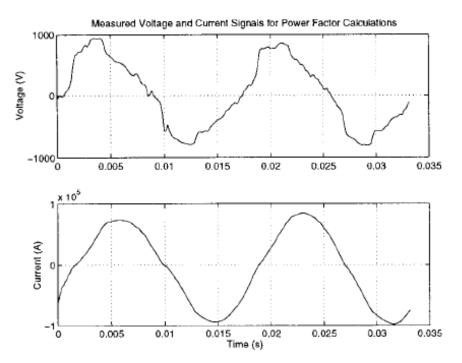


Figure 6: Voltage and current waveforms used for power and power factor measurements

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Effects on Power Factor Calculations

• With and without compensation filters

power calculation	without filters	with filters	diff. (%)
power factor	0.47468	0.46555	1.9611
active power (MW)	11.9858	11.7535	1.9764
react. power (MVAR)	21.9551	22.0741	-0.5391
app. power (MVA)	25.0137	25.0082	0.0220

Table 2: Calculation results for 0.47 power factor

Table 3: Calculation results for 0.75 power factor

power calculation	without filters	with filters	diff. (%)
power factor	0.75819	0.75196	0.8285
active power (MW)	25.1472	24.9377	0.8401
react. power (MVAR)	20.8277	21.0769	-1.1823
app. power (MVA)	32.6523	32.6516	0.0021

Table 4: Calculation results for 0.83 power factor

power calculation	without filters	with filters	diff. (%)
power factor	0.84045	0.83499	0.6539
active power (MW)	16.9889	16.8757	0.6708
react. power (MVAR)	10.7982	10.9729	-1.5921
app. power (MVAR)	20.1302	20.1294	0.0040

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