GE Energy Energy Harvesting used for Wireless Condition Monitoring



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Bently Nevada* Asset Condition Monitoring



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 - Size of CM market
 - RCM approach
 - Data types and freq (p/f curve)
- 3. Role of wireless in CM
 - Sweet spot for use case studies
 - Haz Area use in plant (Z0)
 - Power usage leads into battery issues lead-in to E-Harvesting
- 4. Energy harvesting in support of wireless nodes
 - Vibration Energy scavenging
 - Solar, Line emf scavenging, thermopile
 - Direct line
- 5. Product Demonstration



GE's Bently Nevada Product Line

A Leader in Machinery Protection and Condition Monitoring



The Bently Nevada name has been synonymous with machinery protection and condition monitoring for over 50 years. Our expertise delivers you advanced, high-quality machinery monitoring solutions for optimum plant safety, uptime and efficiency.

Industry spend on condition monitoring is ~\$1.8B annually GE provides technology leadership for the industry

Our Mission

"To be our customers' partner for innovation that enhances their business performance."



What is Condition Monitoring ?



- CM: Determines an assets' operating condition
 - Predicts the development of this operating stage
 - Then, determines possible failure, required maintenance and/or repair times.

Condition Monitoring example





- 1. Historical data shows increasing vibration on higher frequencies.
- 2. Spectral analysis pinpoints a bearing outer ring failure
- 3. Physical inspection verifies diagnostics





Condition Monitoring

Online (wired):

Protection is needed

Every sensor has its own processor

Centralized or distributed systems

Data collected continuously

Scanning (wired & wireless):

P-F not suitable for PDC

One processor covers serveral sensors

Centralized or distributed systems



PDC:





Most common way to collect CM data

Data typically collected once / month



Role of Wireless in CN

Wireless enables:

- Overall RCM plan covering the 70% o the mid- to low-criticality equipment to augment PDCs and wired solutions.
- Monitoring where manpower, cost, or hazardous areas constraints make traditional methods impractical.

Application scenarios:

Wireless usage is best suited where failure mode for:

- 1/2 P-F life is 15 minutes to 30 days
- Detection being done using
 - ✓ Case vibration
 - ✓ Temperature



Application Solution: Tank Farm Pumps

Ourrent Practice: Walk-arounds @3 week intervals

Failure Modes: Undetected Failure occurs between rounds.

Our solution: System 1 Monitoring of vibration at key points several times per day with Essential Insight .mesh





Drivers for Wireless systems

- Installation cost of Wired systems
- Installation time of Wired systems
- Safety ۲
- Flexibility
- Data quality
- Covers both ends of P-F curve
- Can be applied to Zone 0 (EX) areas



Barriers for Wireless Adoption



Typical Power Source Capacity



Lithium Thionyl Chloride Battery packs @ 19,000 mA-hour

Vibration Energy Harvester (VEH)



Delivers 0.5mA average @ 3.6V for 4 yearsDelivers at least 0.5mA @ 3.6V indefinite

- Variations in environment, duty cycle, and configuration causes uncertainty to begin at 2-3 years.
- Unpredictable maintenance logistics.
- Fit it and forget it Life Cycle Independ



Motors available to Harvest vibration

Test show 100mg must be available from motor vibration on a 50 Hz, 60Hz, 100Hz, 120Hz horizontal AC motor with REBs (harvester was casing, pedestal, or machine mounted)





^{ima} 50%-75% motors produced 0.5+mA across 3 user sites

Power Harvester assisted battery life

Battery life @ 2mW constant power consumption and 1%/yr self-discharge. Graphs show varying degrees of harvester usage/availability.





Drivers for Energy Harvesting

Available (battery) Power limits:

- Wireless transmission rates
- Sampling rates
- Data processing
- Temperature extremes shorten battery life

Hazardous material:

• Depleted lithium thionyl chloride batteries are hazardous material and creates a potential disposal issue (cost and logistics)

Maintenance cost

• Battery changes require scheduling, disposal, and labor expense

Logistics

- Even NEW lithium thionyl chloride batteries are regulated material that can NOT be transported on passenger airplanes
 - -> Causes shipping delays and creates logistical issues



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These issues ultimately limit wireless deployment applications

Energy Harvesting in Wireless CM

GE Bently Nevada's harvesting solution is designed to accommodate a full range of harvesting technologies (5VDC, 0.5mA input):

- Solar
- Thermopile
- Vibration
- emf
- ... as well as accommodate External Line Power to enable:
 - Higher level functions
 - Optimal reporting rates without battery depletion worries



Harvesting enables deployments without requiring an electrician



Figure: VEH with wSIM

Deployment Guidelines

 Mount the VEH at the optimum location to provide current required (e.g. 0.5mA). using the supplied magnetic mounting hardware.

2. Locate the optimized location for the Wireless Sensor Interface Module (wSIM).

3. Attach the VEH to the wSIM (using the supplied cable)

4. Power up the wSIM & start monitoring.







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Drivers for Energy Harvesting

- Available (battery) Power limits:
 - Wireless transmission rates
 - Sampling rates
 - Data processing
- Depleted lithium thionyl chloride batteries are hazardous material
 -> Disposal and shipping is onerous
- Lithium Thionyl Chloride batteries cannot be transported on passenger airplanes
 - -> Causes shipping delays and creates logistical issues
- Temperature extremes shortens battery life
 -> Causes frequent battery replacement

These issues limit wireless deployment applications

