

AC LV Controls & Drives

Considerations for Energy & Process Upgrades



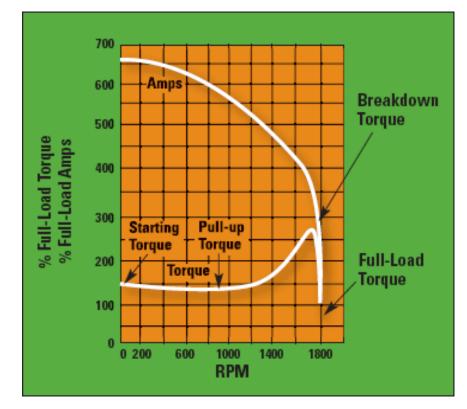
Control Considerations

Squirrel Cage AC Motors





NEMA Design B Motor Curves



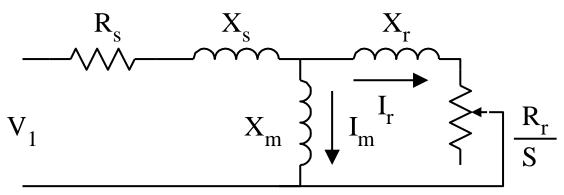


Putting Amps to Work!



Where Does Torque Come From ?

- Torque is the product of magnetizing flux and rotor current
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- Rotor current is the current flowing through the rotor bars, I_r



Torque (T) ~ Air Gap Flux (F) ~ (V/Hz)²

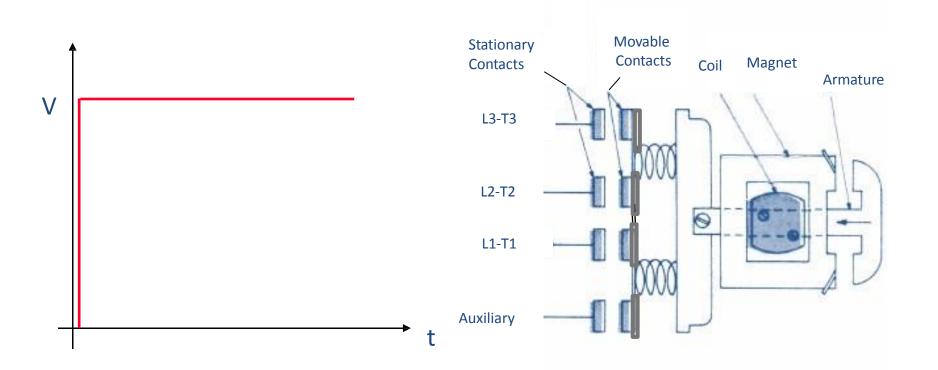


There are four basic methods for starting & controlling squirrel cage motors:

- Full Voltage Across the Line or Direct On Line
- **Reduced Voltage** Electro mechanical methods
- **Reduced Voltage** Electronic methods
- **Reduced Voltage/Frequency** Electronic methods

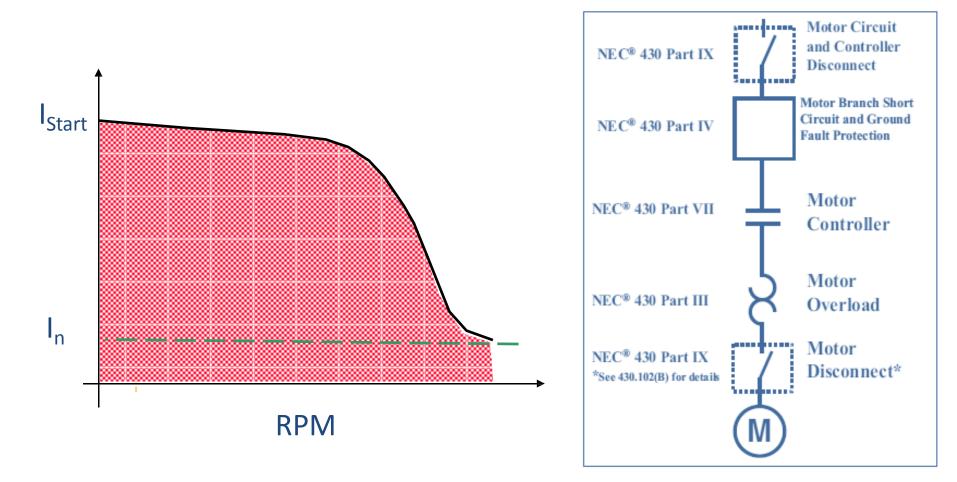


Starting Voltage - Across the Line or Direct On Line starting at 100% Voltage with NEMA or IEC Electro-Mechanical Contactor



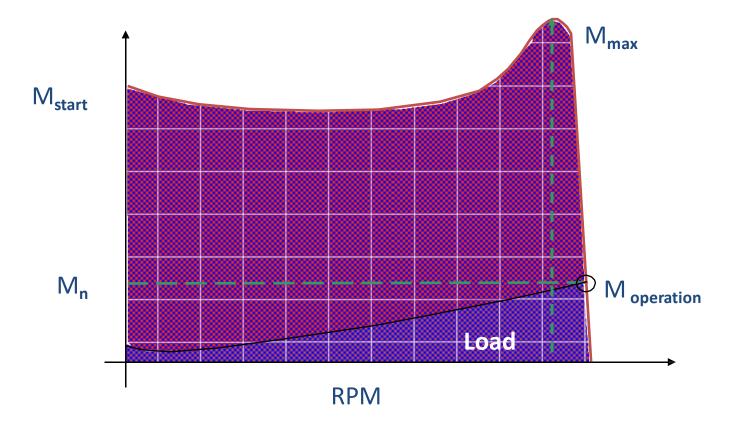


Starting Current - Typically 500-850% nominal current, depends on motor design

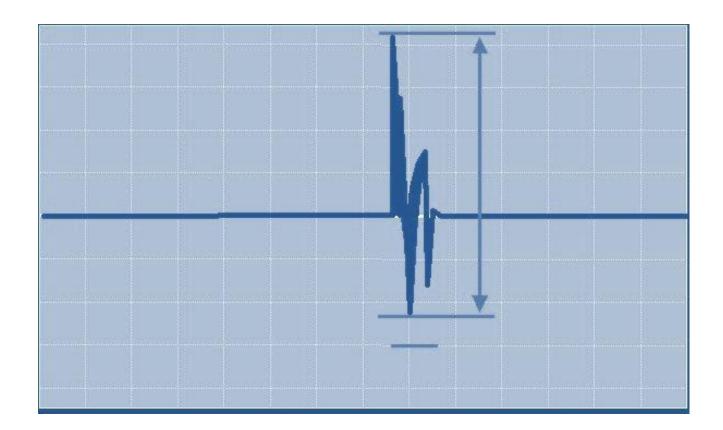




Starting Torque (M_{start}) - Typically 150 - 180% Max Torque (M_{max}) - Break Down Torque can reach 220%







Mechanical Shock



Advantages:

- ✓ Simple
- ✓ Small size
- ✓ Low price

Disadvantages:

- ✓ High inrush current 500-850% In which may cause voltage drops in supply system, nuisance tripping & light dimming
- ✓ High starting torque 150-250% Min. which may cause mechanical damages to gears, transmissions and fragile loads



Reducing Starting Current & Torque

Reducing Inrush Current is Essential :

- •When starting from weak power supplies like fully loaded transformers, long motor cables, diesel generators, etc.
- To reduce peak energy demand

Reducing mechanical shock is essential :

- To increase life expectancy of belts, gears, shafts and motors
- To reduce maintenance requirements
- To prevent damage to fragile loads



Reducing Starting Current & Torque

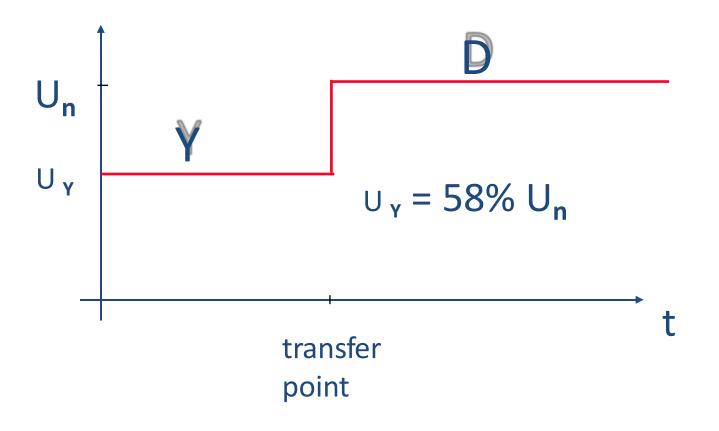
✓ Reducing Inrush Current & Mechanical Shock in squirrel cage motors can be done by reducing motor voltage during starting

✓ Reducing voltage during starting can be done by the traditional electro-mechanical systems like Star-Delta, Auto-transformer, Part winding, Starting Resistors or by Electronic Reduced Voltage Soft Starters

- ✓ When Starting Voltage is reduced:
 - Starting torque is reduced in square proportion to voltage reduction
 - Starting current is reduced in direct or square proportion to voltage reduction - depending on starting method



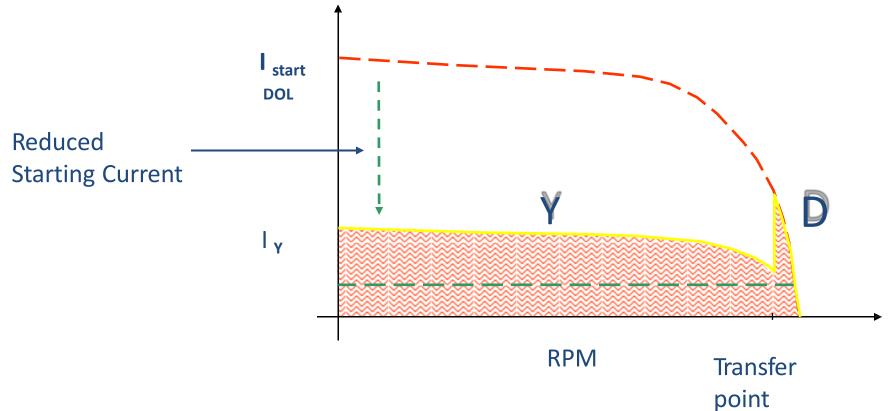
Starting Voltage - Wye connected (58% Un), transfer to Delta (100% Un) by timer - Open Loop Control





WYE/Delta Starters

Starting Current - Typically 250% In, current is reduced in square proportion to voltage reduction

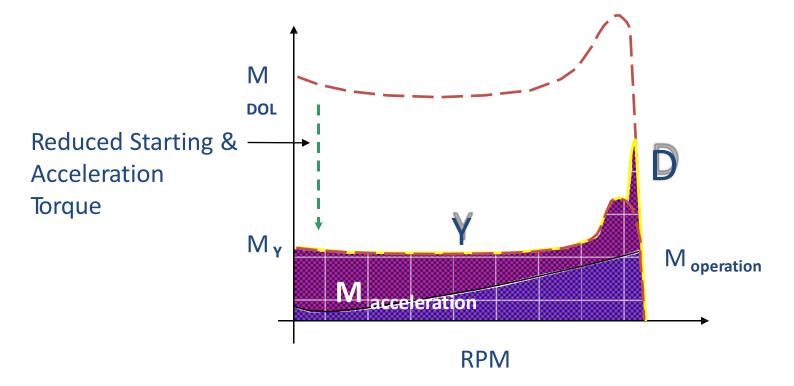




WYE/Delta Starters

Starting Torque - Reduced by the square proportion to voltage reduction, the voltage remains constant during most of the starting time

 $M_{\text{start Y}} = (0.58)^2 \times M_{\text{start (DOL)}} = 0.33 \times M_{\text{start (DOL)}}$





WYE/Delta Starters

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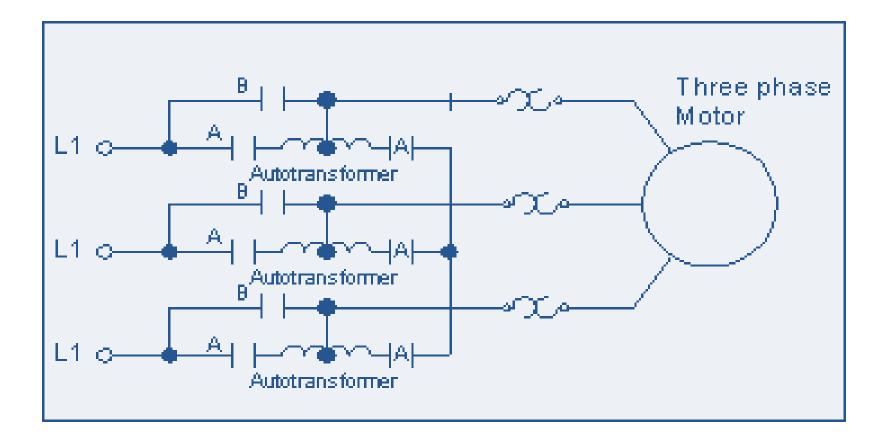
- ✓ Simple
- ✓ Small size
- ✓ Inexpensive (in lower ratings)
- ✓ Lower starting currents

Disadvantages:

- ✓ Non-adjustable starting characteristics
- Possible high switching current & torque (expensive closed transition option)
- ✓ Open loop control
- ✓ 6 wires to the motor
- ✓ No optional features (only soft start)
- ✓ Only Thermal Overload protection



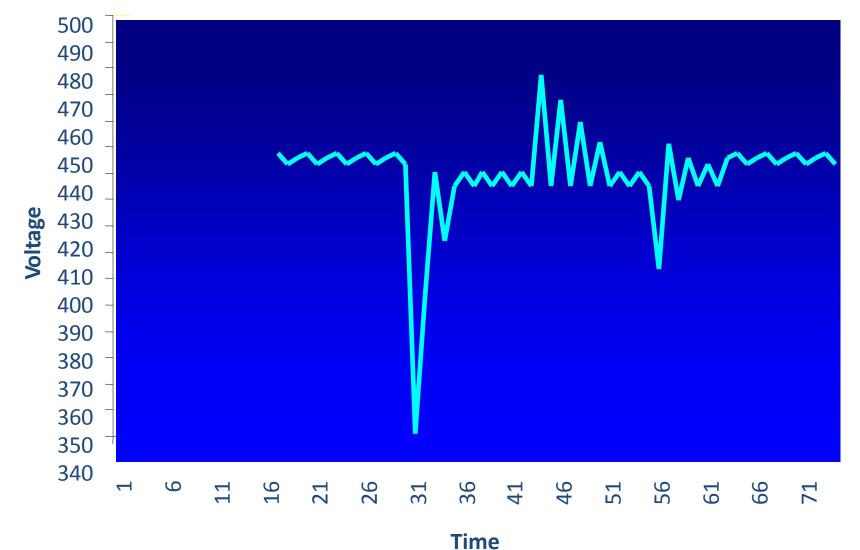
Auto-Transformer Starters





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Voltage drop as viewed below by Oscilloscope





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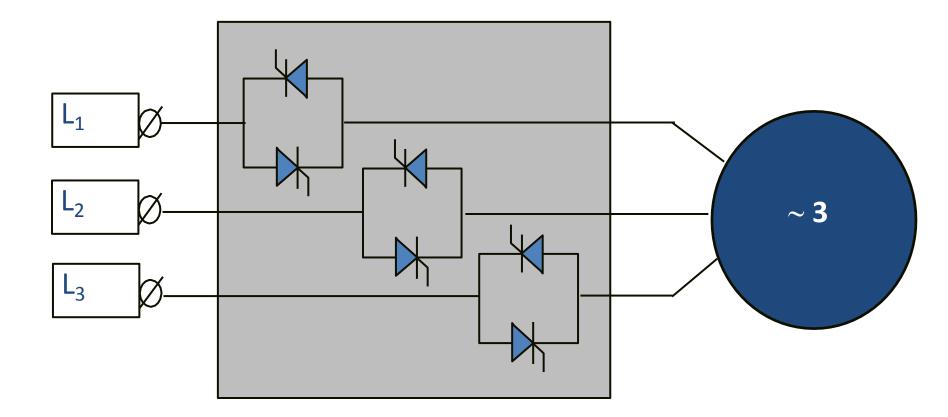
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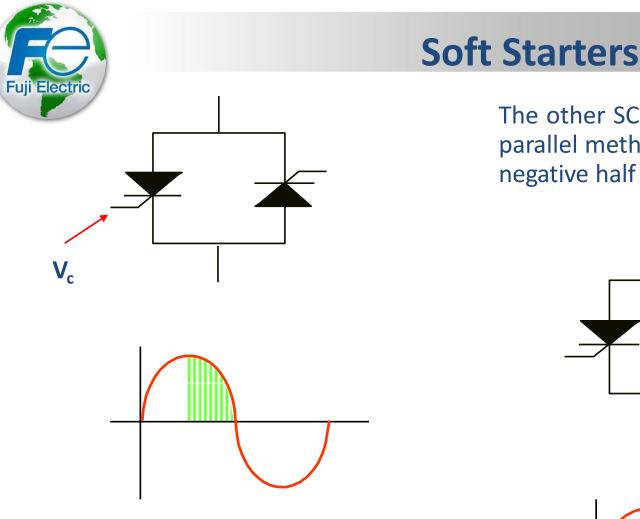
Disadvantages:

- ✓ 25% Voltage Drop during start (previous slide)
- ✓ Bulky
- ✓ Expensive
- ✓ Limited number of operations per hour
- ✓ Inability to soft-stop (major disadvantage in pumps)
- ✓ Complicated change of starting parameters
- ✓ Switching transients expensive closed transition



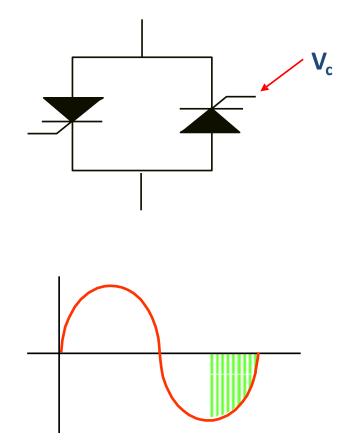
Using 6 SCR's, 2 per phase, in a back to back connection





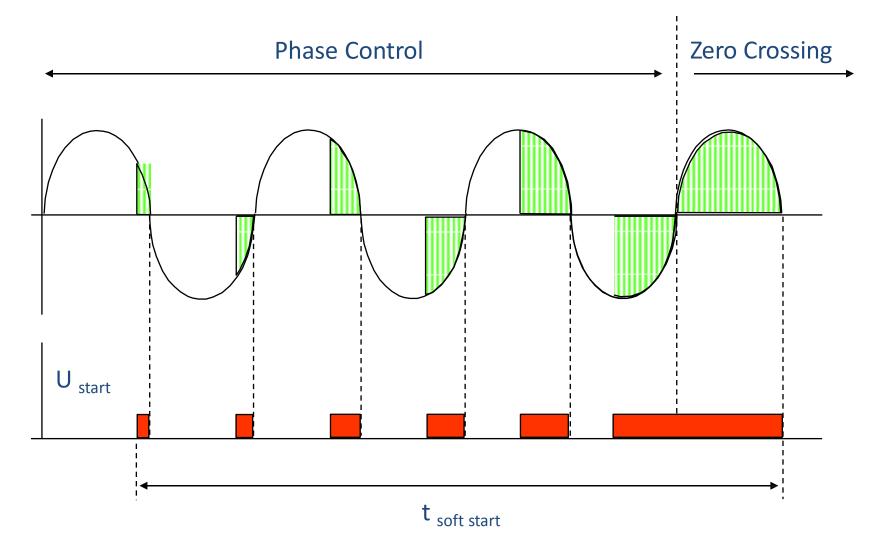
The left SCR conducts during the positive period of the sine wave, when V_c is On and can be turned Off when the current is at zero crossing

The other SCR is coupled in an antiparallel method and conducts in the negative half cycle



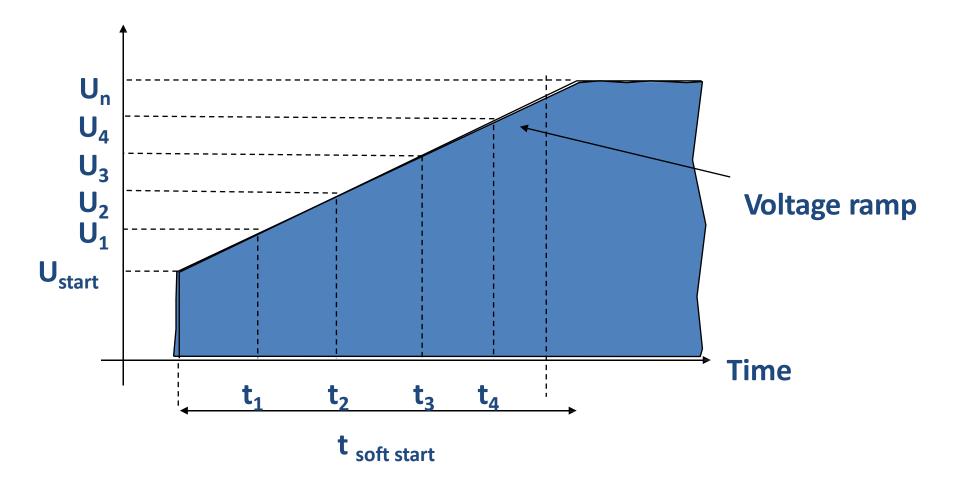
SCR firing controls the soft starter output voltage

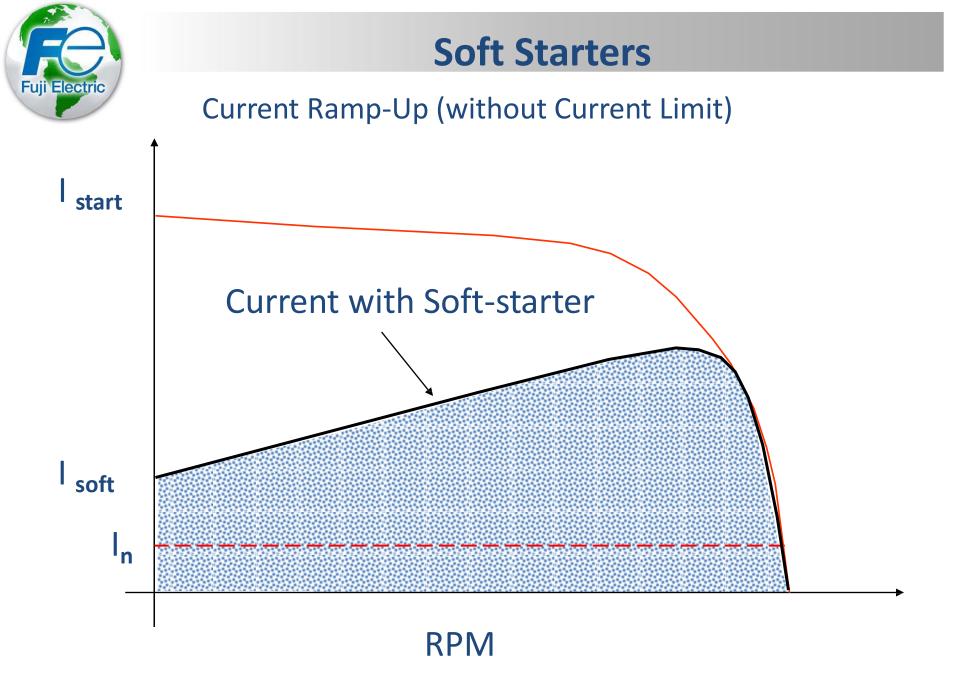
Fuji Electric





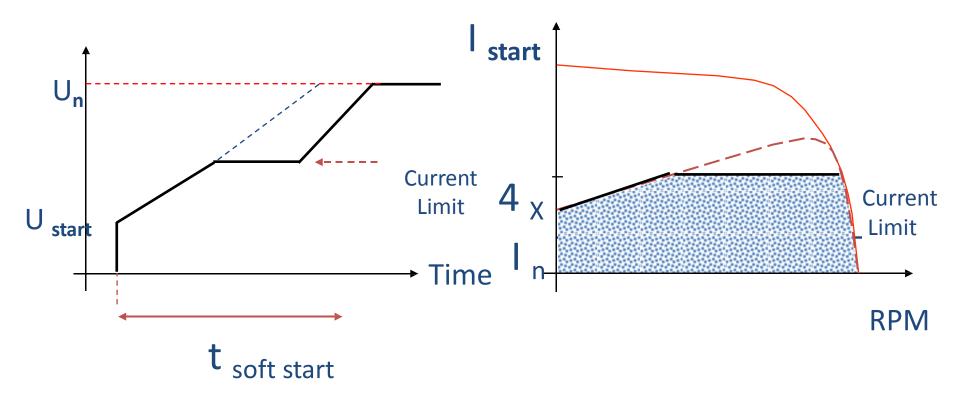
Voltage ramp-up (without Current Limit)





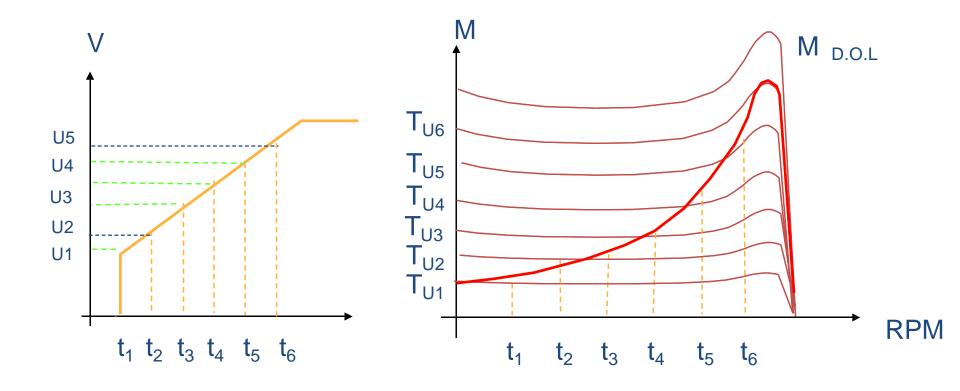


Voltage & current increases until the current reaches Current Limit. The Voltage will not increase until current begins reducing, as the motor approaches nominal speed





Motor Voltage / Torque Ratio





Disadvantages:

✓ Relatively expensive✓ Higher sophistication

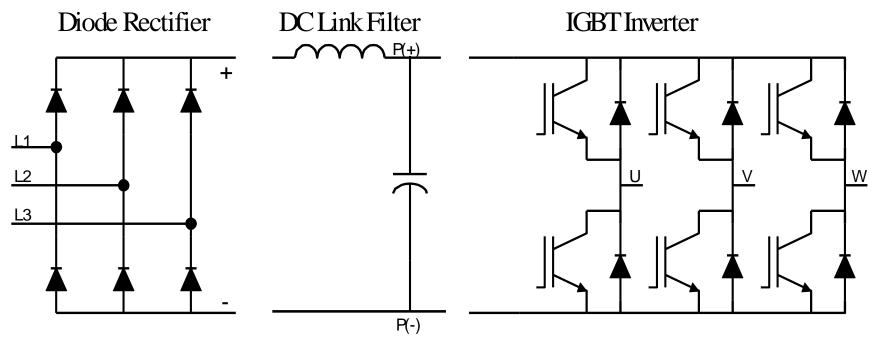
Advantages:

✓ Solid state - no moving parts, less maintenance
 ✓ Reduced starting current & mechanical shock
 ✓ Smooth, step less acceleration & deceleration
 ✓ Closed current loop starting
 ✓ Easy adjustments for all applications
 ✓ Comprehensive motor protection package



LV AC Drives

Consider the basic IGBT AC LV Drive - 6 pulse Drive The Best in AC Motor Control! Torque & Speed Control

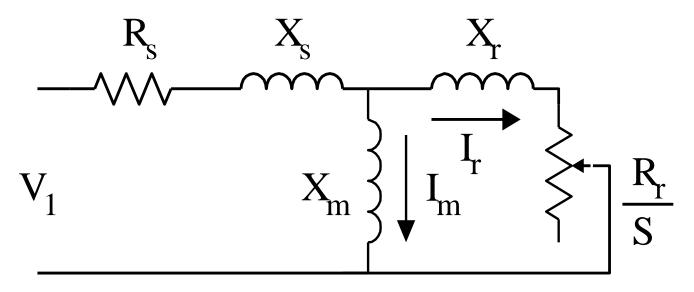


Basic IGBT Drive



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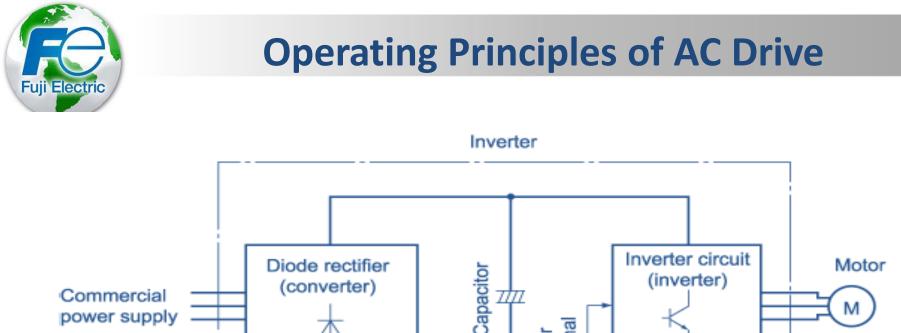


The rotor speed depends on two things:

The rotational speed of the magnetic field is

 $n_0 = \frac{f \times 120}{p}$ where f = applied frequency p = number of motor poles

> (for a 2 pole motor at 60Hz, $n_0 = 3600$ rpm) (for a 4 pole motor at 60Hz, $n_0 = 1800$ rpm)



DC voltage

Converter

3-phase commercial

power supply (input)

1 fs Transistor drive signal

Control circuit

Inverter



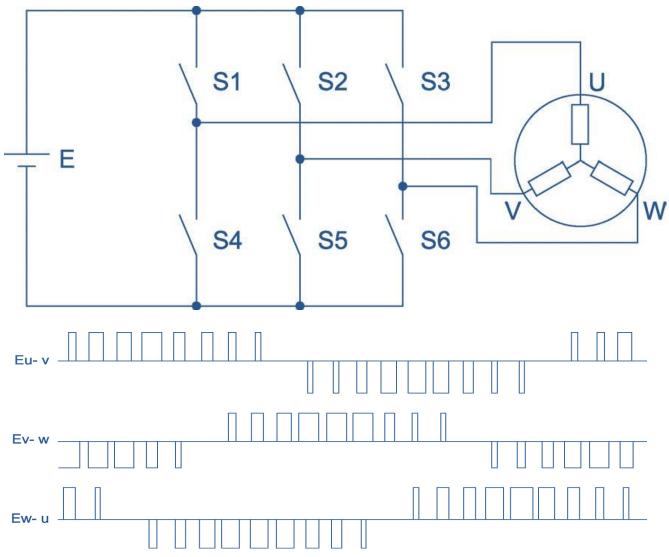
Approximate sine wave voltage

with arbitrary frequency (output)

T=

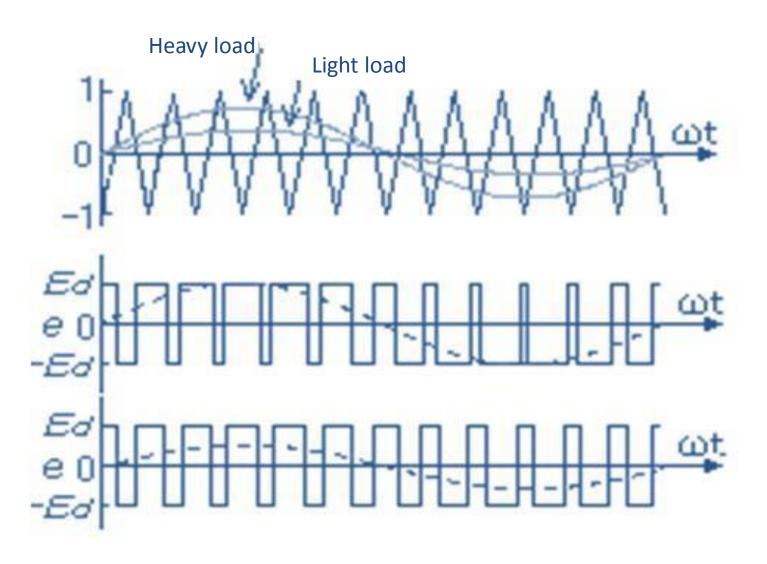


IGBT Switching





PWM Control





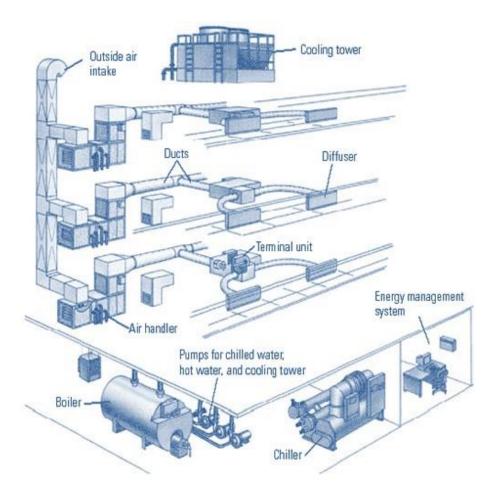
Why AC LV Drives

Energy savings

• Pump Systems alone account for an estimated 22% of the World's Electric Motor Energy Demand

•It makes sense to adjust motor operating speed to demands of the load. Would you regulate your car's speed with just the brakes?

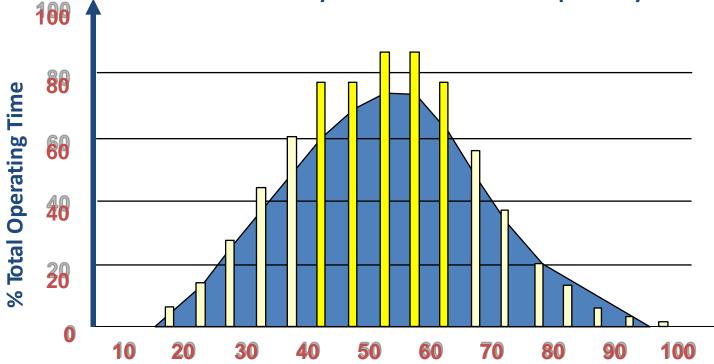
•Varying load applications like centrifugal pumps and fans in particular benefit from ASDs. For example, when pump speed can be cut in half, resulting power consumption is reduced by a factor of eight!





Why AC LV Drives for Flow Control?

HVAC systems are designed for "worst case" situations. Most of the time they have excess capacity



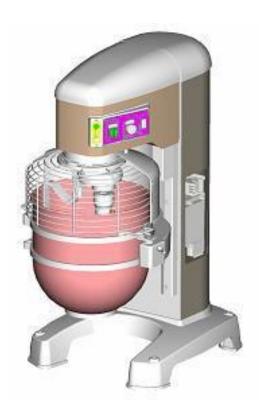
% Flow Volume – Typical Pump/Fan Application



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Process Improvements

AC Drives provide the right speed for the 'job,' allowing a production process to be optimized. Ability to easily make process changes increase productivity and increases Profitability



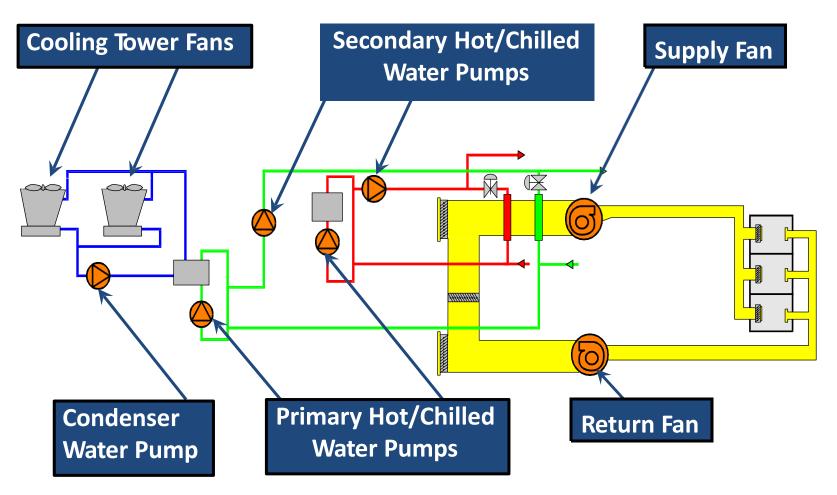


Decrease Machine Down Time

High starting currents of ac motors (6-10 times full-load amps) stress windings, generate heat, and shorten motor & machine life. AC Drives start at zero frequency and voltage, extending Motor & Machine life

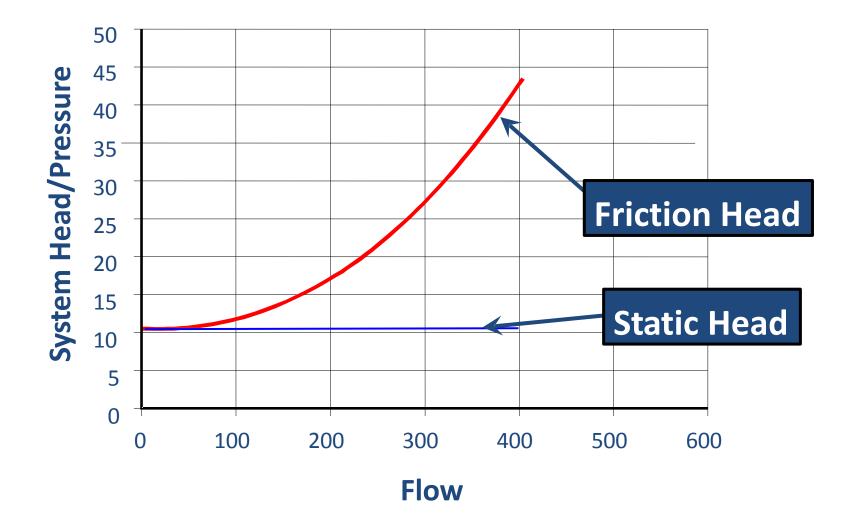


Opportunities Variable Torque Applications



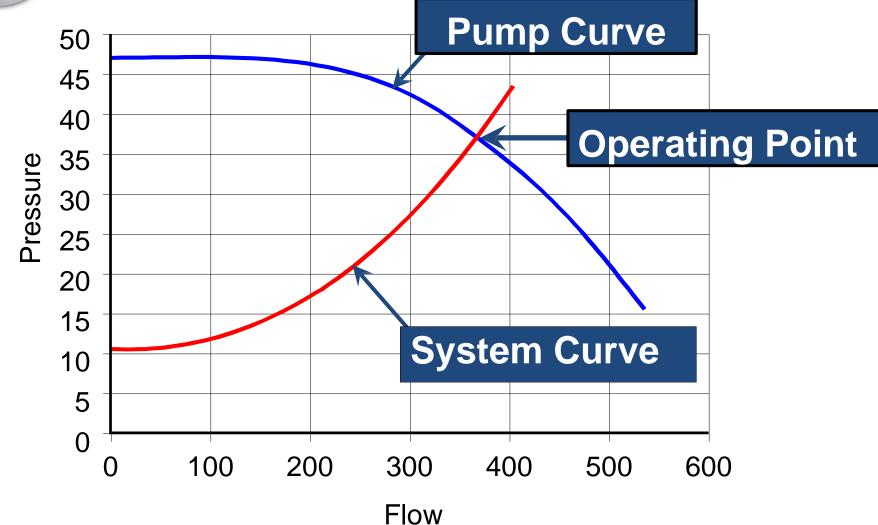


Mechanical - System Curves



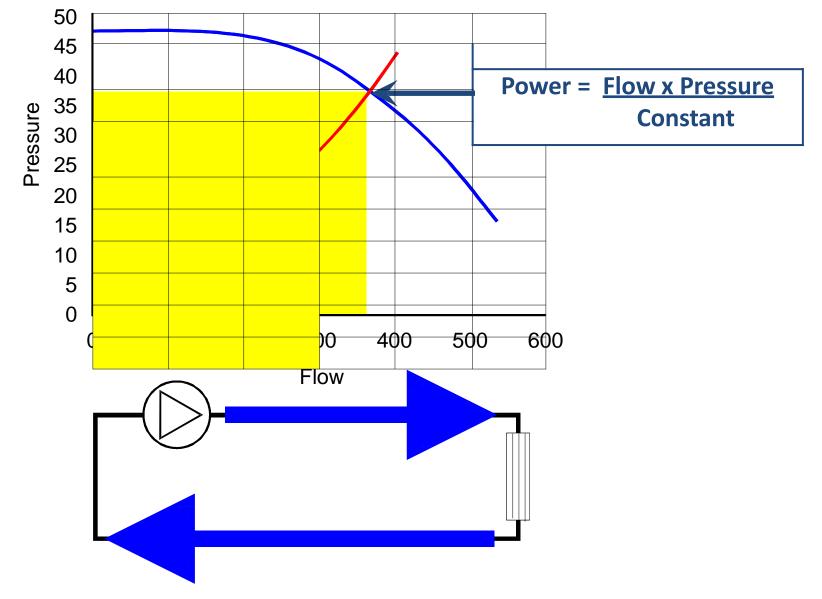


Mechanical – And Pump Curves

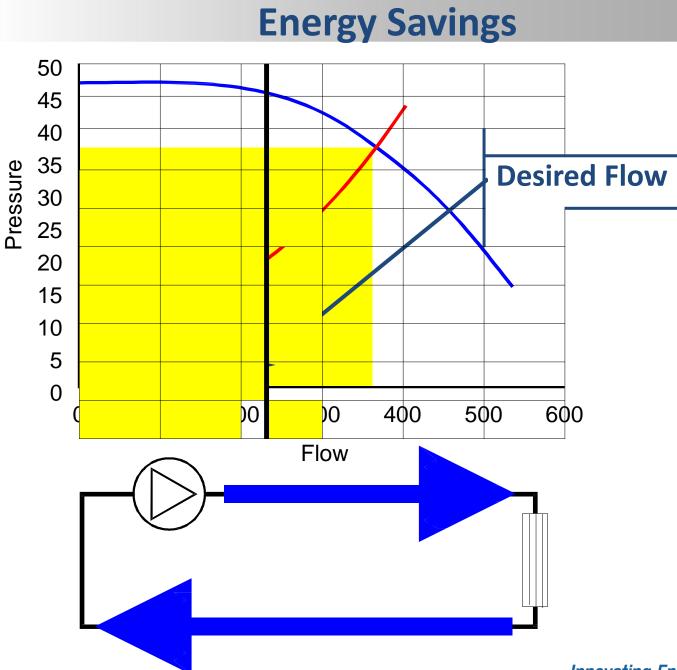




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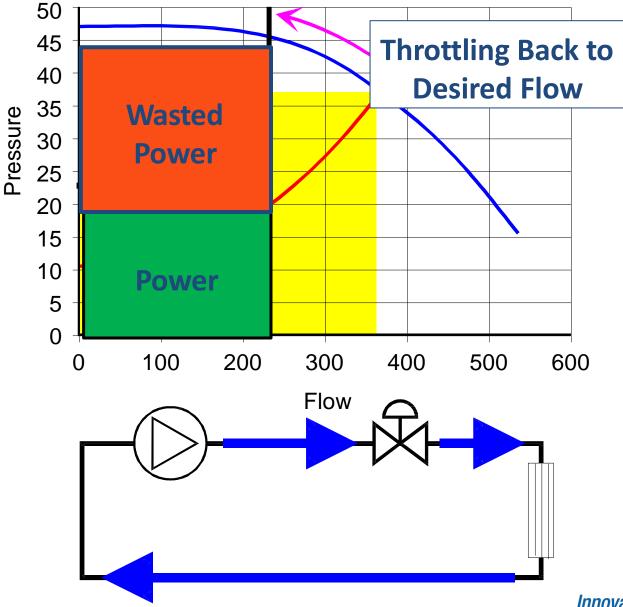


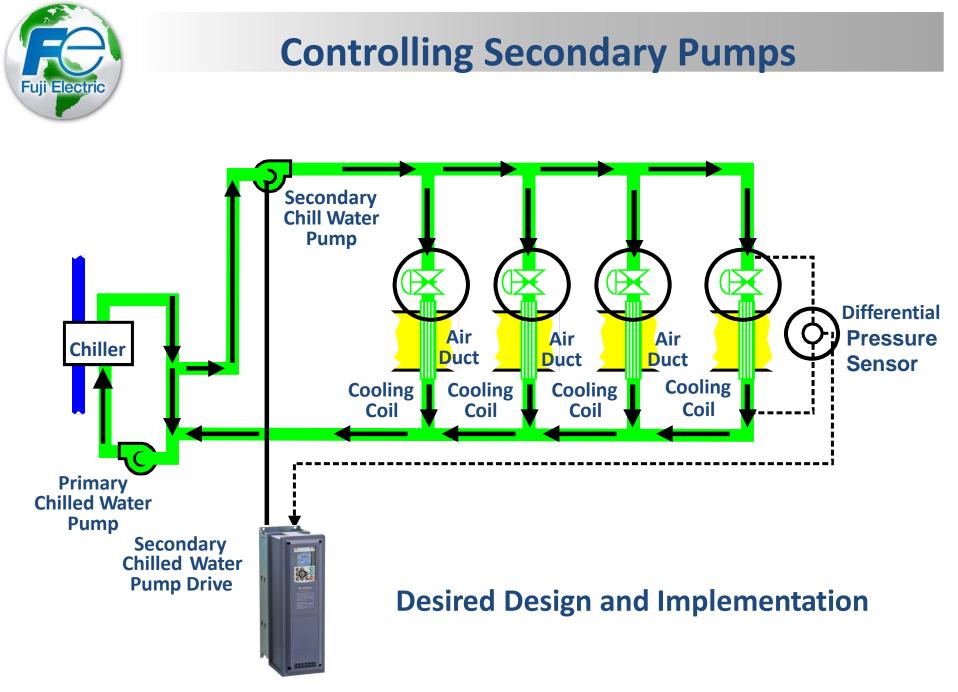






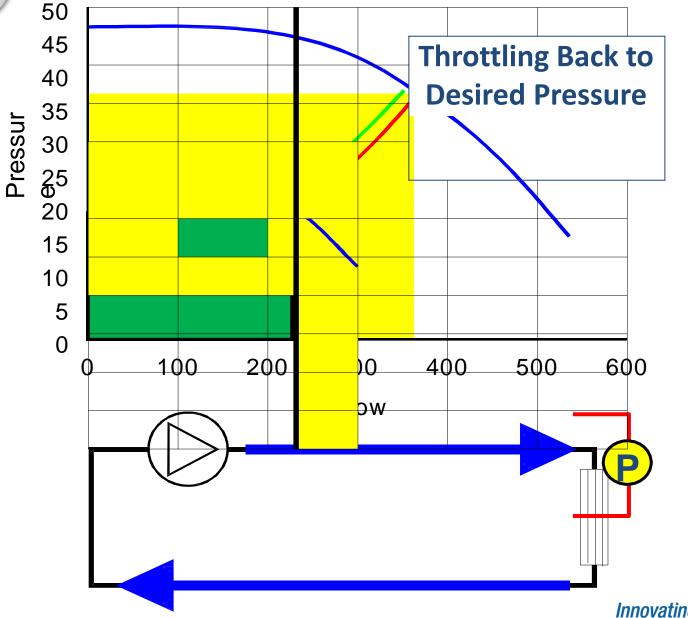
Energy Savings – Throttling



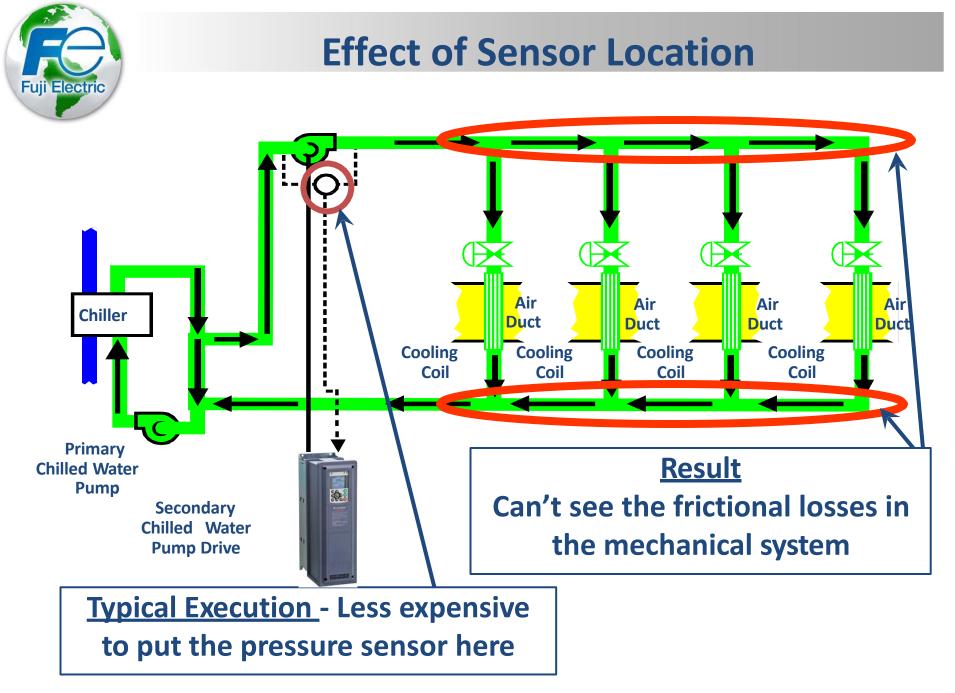




Energy Savings – Adjustable Speed

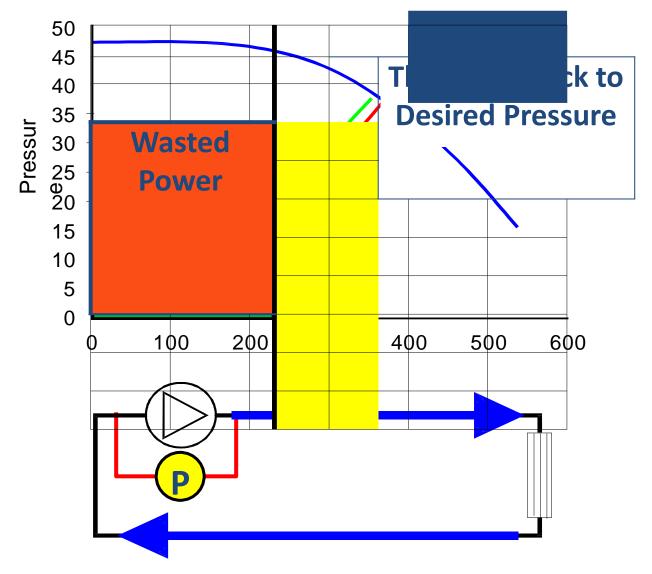


Innovating Energy Technology



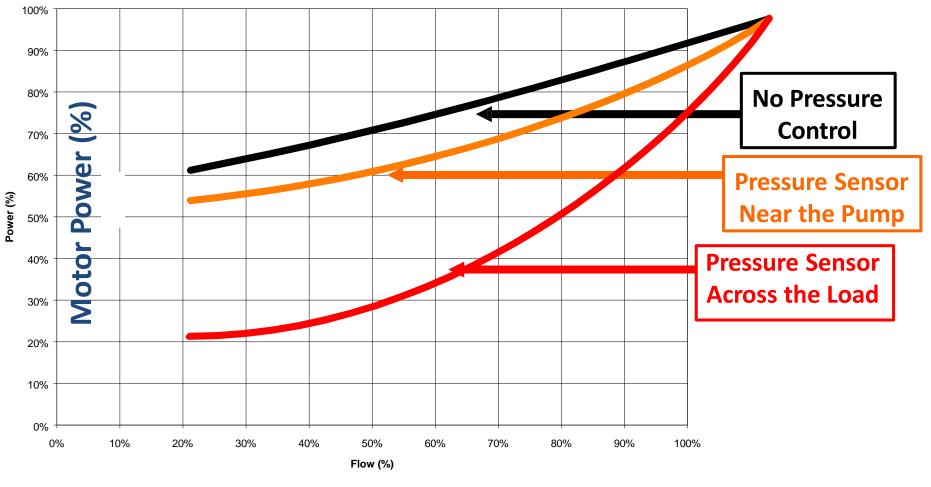


Effect of Sensor Location





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Flow (%)



Fluid Distribution System Protection

• Pipelines usually break because of too much pressure. If a pipe breaks, then there is a risk of pump damage: material losses around the break are also likely

•A pressure-sensing device to stop the pump avoids both of these possible outcomes. Pipeline protection can also be achieved by monitoring the pump output

•Adjustable Speed Drives mitigate the risk of rapid valve operation which is a leading cause of failures



Effect of Wear and Corrosion

The three main types of physical deterioration are:

- 1. abrasion
- 2. corrosion
- 3. cavitation

The rate of deterioration depends on:

- material type
- fluid quality
- temperature
- mechanical design
- maintenance schedule
- suitability of pump for the duty
- cavitation susceptibility

All of which are significantly Impacted by Pump Speed



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- ✓ Special functions for Fan & Pump Control



Questions?

Thank you for your Time