

Discourse on the Dissertation Thesis

Identification of Changes of Acoustic Emission Parameters as a Result of Mechanical Damage of Machinery Components

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"Swim against the stream! It's hard, but it is a way, how to reach more than the others."

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INTRODUCTION – THEME

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Identification of changes of acoustic emission signal parameters as a result of mechanical damage of construction



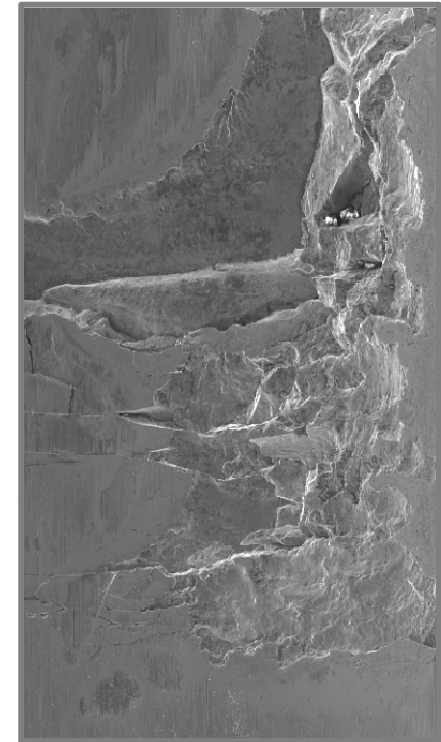
INTRODUCTION

- Limit state of surface damage (contact fatigue)
- Parameter analysis – traditional method
- Time × Frequency × Time-frequency domain

Aim of dissertation: simple evaluation of contact fatigue

Contact fatigue:

- Contact fatigue tests (specimen)
- Bearing testing
- Gearbox testing



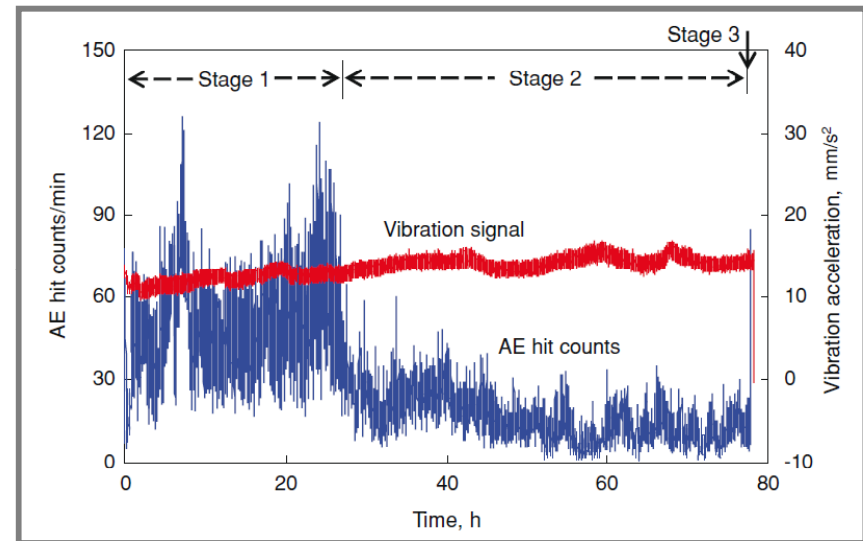
Pitting

STATE OF ART - Contact fatigue test

A study on incipient damage monitoring in rolling contact fatigue process using acoustic emission

RAHMAN, Z. et al. 2008

- RCF tests
- Counts rate, energy parameters
- AE, vibration, FFT, temperature, Torque, Load
- Stage 1 - running-in state
- Stage 2 – steady-state condition
- Stage 3 - surface degradation state



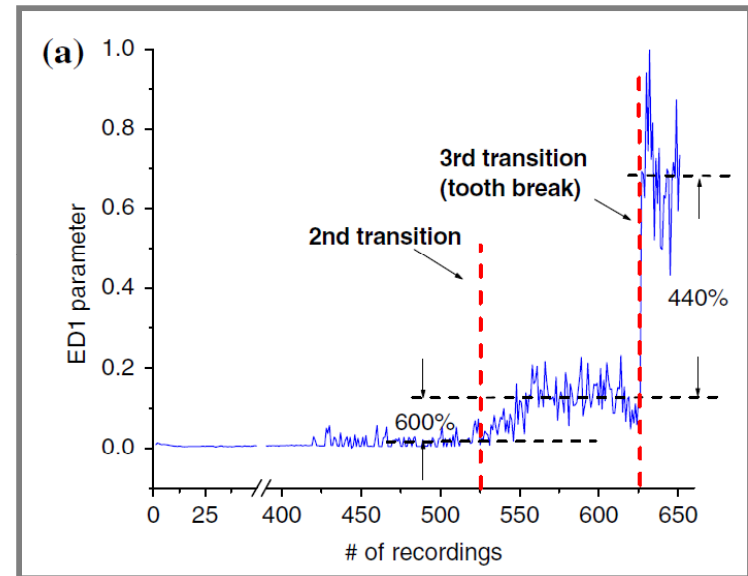
AE hit counts rate and its corresponding vibration signal

STATE OF ART - Gearbox testing

Condition monitoring of a single-stage gearbox with artificially induced gear cracks utilizing on-line vibration and acoustic emission measurements

LOUTAS, T. H. et al. 2009

- AE, vibration, temperature
- Discrete wavelet transform (db10)
→ wavelet-based parameters
- 24 Conventional parameters (frequency and time domain)
- Early stages of the test - AE



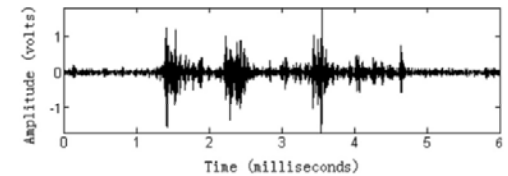
Parameters evolution during the test

STATE OF ART - Bearing testing

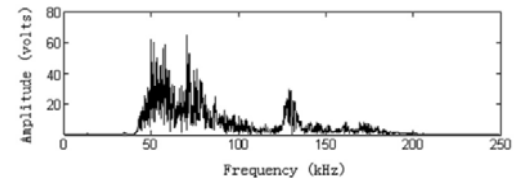
Observation of time-frequency characteristic of the acoustic emission from defects in rolling element bearings

HE, Y. et al. 2010

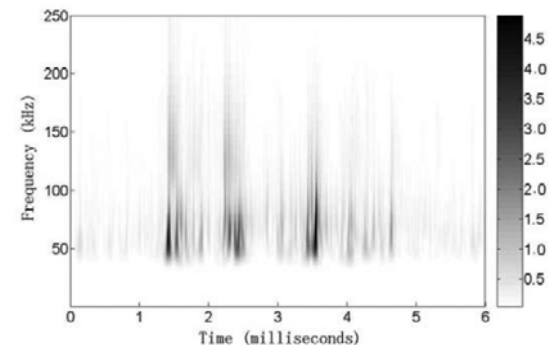
- Deep-groove ball bearing
- Continuous wavelet transform - qualitative analysis (Morlet)
- Discrete wavelet transform - quantitative analysis.
- Time-frequency characteristics
- Energy distribution analysis (DWT)



(a)



(b)

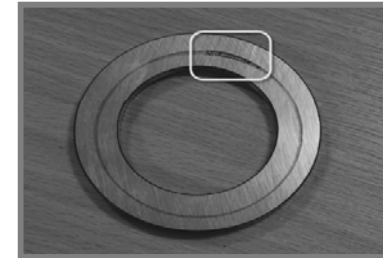


(c)

(a) original AE; (b) FFT spectrum; (c) scalogram

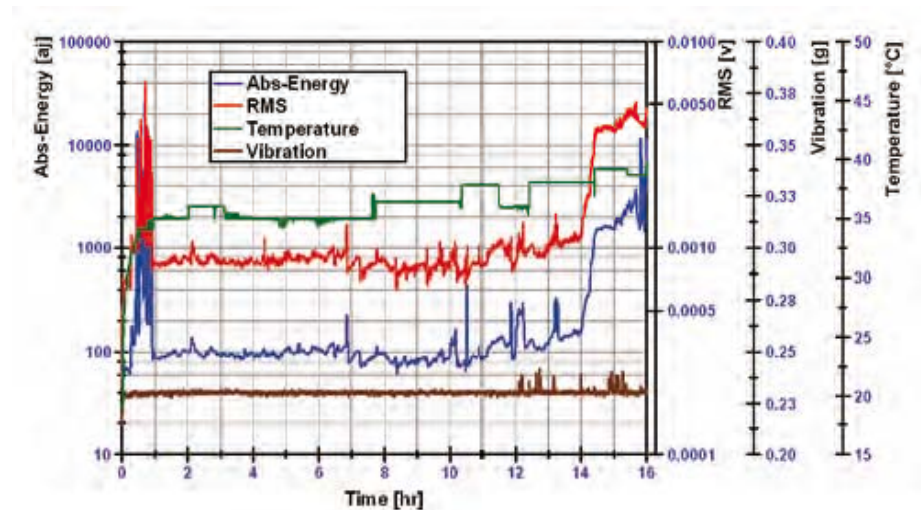
STATE OF ART - Bearing testing

Detecting the onset, propagation and location of non-artificial defects in a slow rotating thrust bearing with acoustic emission



ELFORJANI, M. and MBA, D.; 2008

- AE; Vibration; Temperature
- AE = [Abs-Energy, RMS, ASL, Amplitude, Counts]
- Correlating AE and natural defect
- 1 type of material



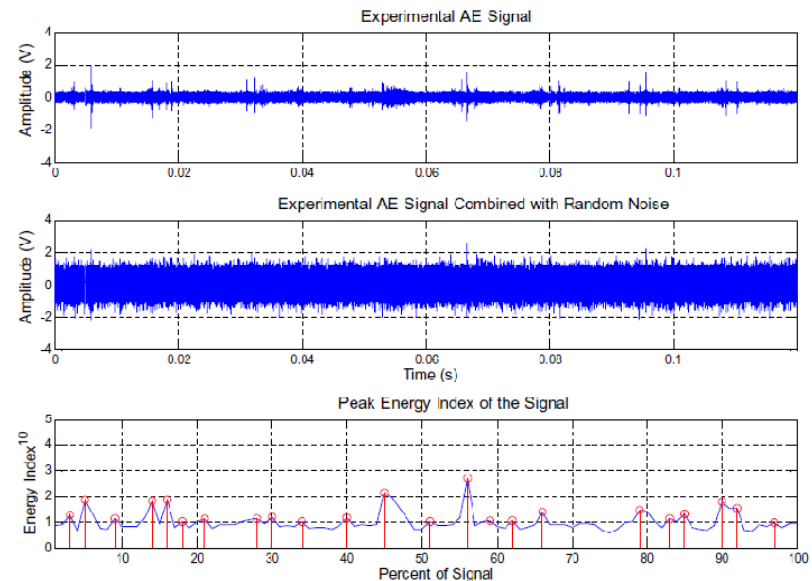
Observations of a run-to-failure bearing test

STATE OF ART - Bearing testing

Energy Index technique for detection of Acoustic Emissions associated with incipient bearing failures

KHAMIS, R. et al. 2010

- Energy Index (EI) technique
- Kurtosis \times EI
- Minimum SNR = 0.25
- Burst signal identification



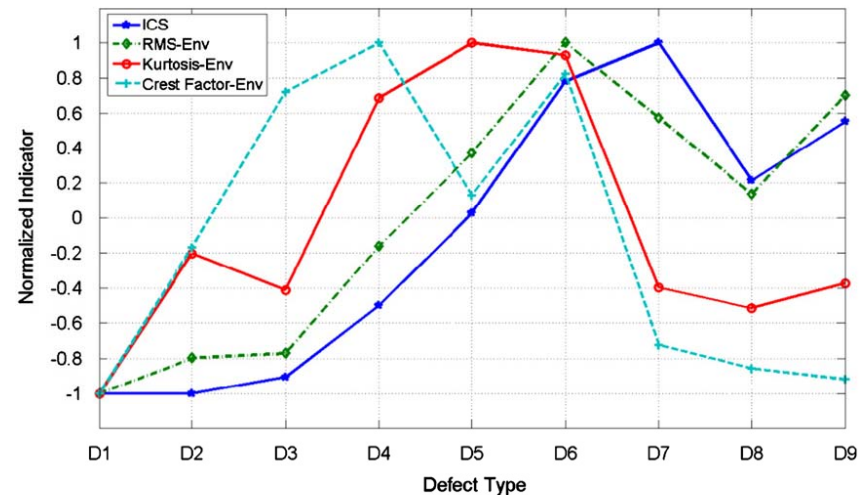
EI and signal

STATE OF ART - Bearing testing

Cyclostationarity of acoustic emissions (AE) for monitoring bearing defects

KILUNDU, B. et al. 2009

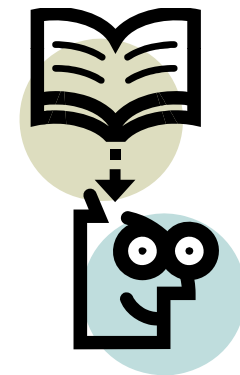
- Cylindrical roller
- Envelope spectrum × Cyclostationarity
- Effective envelope analysis = larger defect
- ICS indicator × RMS, Kurtosis, Crest factor
- Outer race defect



Comparison of normalized values from the envelope signals

CRITICAL ANALYSIS

- Basic parameter RMS
- Transient and Non-stationary signals → time-frequency analysis
- Wavelet transform, Hilbert-Huang transform, STFT, statistical methods
- AE - more sensitive to environmental condition
- Novel parameters of acoustic emission signal
- AE suitable for detection of incipient defect



GOALS OF RESEARCH AND METHODOLOGY

Determination of AE parameters suitable for the identification of formation and propagation of contact damage and build an advanced evaluation algorithm

Methodology

- ❖ AXMAT unit
- ❖ Tests of specimens (various material) → bearings
- ❖ Continuous sampling technology
- ❖ Parameters selecting (AE, vibration, temperature)

CURRENT STAGE OF PROJECT

Theoretical part:

Literature review and evaluation

Formulation of objectives

Definition of experiments

Methods and tools selection - parameters

Practical part:

Conduct experiments

Processing measured data - algorithm

Final part:

Formulation of conclusion

Publishing the dissertation

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