



EQUINOX POWER SOLUTIONS
Redefining Assets Reliability



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– Enhancing Network Reliability with Advanced Testing & Monitoring

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What we do:



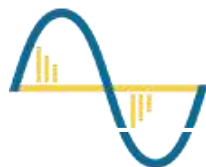
We specialize in testing, diagnostics and online monitoring systems for electrical equipment in Medium and high voltage substations and Rotating Machines. We are the African most trusted partner.



Portable Test and Diagnostic Equipments



Advanced Online monitoring system



Professional Field Services & Training

Our Technical Partners



About us

- | **History:** founded in 2015
- | **Experience:** More than 10 years experience in the field of high voltage electricity
- | **Clients:**
 - *Electrical network managers (production, transport et distribution)*
 - *Manufacturers of high voltage electrical equipment*
 - *Industries*
- | **Branches :** Cameroun, Rwanda and Namibia
- | **Logistic Office:** London , UK



Field Service available in selected countries
Cameroon, South Africa and Namibia

Our Portfolio Segmentation

**Sensing
Technology**



**Test &
Diagnostic**



TECHIMP



**Conditions
Monitoring**



**Industrial
Technologies**



Our Energy Business Unit



The Benefits of Connected Reliability



Moves Maintenance from Reactive to Proactive



Saves Costs and Boosts Productivity



Encourages a Strategic Approach to Adopting New Tech & Systems



Moves the Needle on High-Impact KPIs

Growth Drivers

- Aging infrastructure and drive for Grid Automation
- Condition based maintenance replacing traditional methods.



Target Market and Portfolio Offering



Market Segments



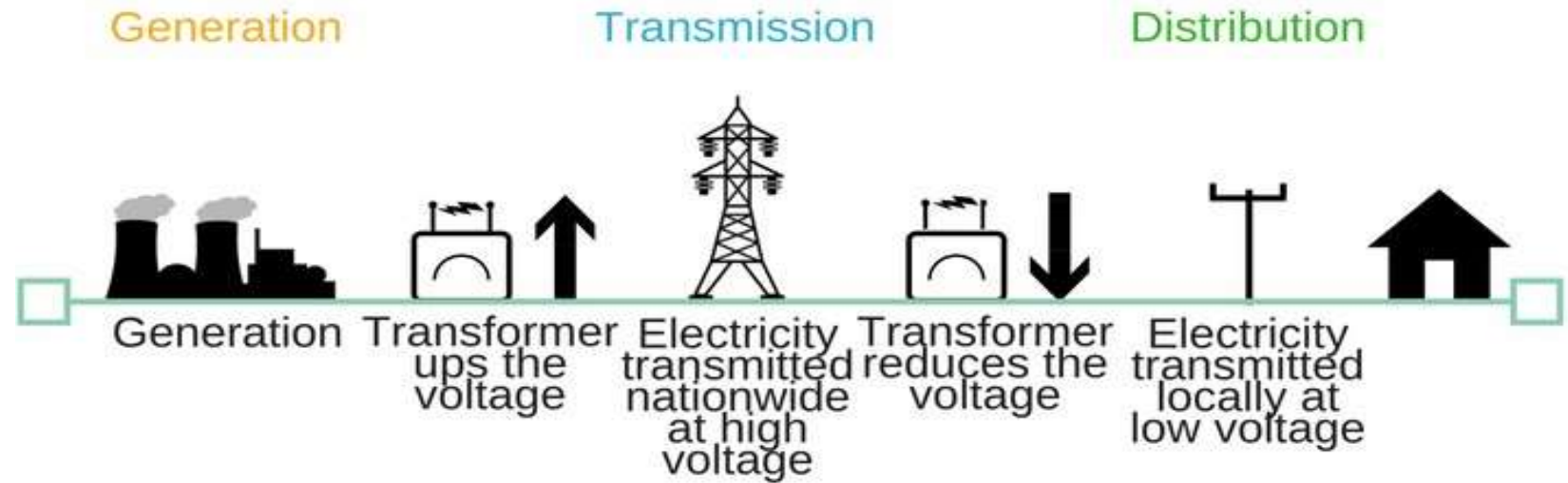
- Utilities
- Mining
- Petrochemical
- Industry
- Transport
- Renewables



Solutions for the entire Power System



Power systems



- Customers:**
- Power plants
 - Transmission & Distribution utilities
 - EPCs, integrators, services providers, testing service companies
 - OEM's
 - Industrials
 - Other: university, research lab, equipment rental companies

Electrical Test Equipment

Essential for day-to-day maintenance tests of electrical assets. Useful in specific phases of the asset lifecycle:

- Procure
- Operate
- Maintain
- Decommission.

Professional Services

Diversified offer according to the electrical asset lifecycle:

- Installation and commissioning
- Diagnostic test
- Data analysis
- Consultancy
- Training.



Monitoring Systems

Shift from a time-based maintenance to a condition-based maintenance.

Focus on predictive maintenance and shift in focus from electric asset value cost to network outage costs.

Strong evolution of digitalization trend in the power industry.

Portable Test Equipment



Power Transformers



Current and Voltage Transformer



Batteries



HV Breakers



VSD



Surge Arrester



GIS



MV Switchgear



Ground grid



Relays, meters and transducers



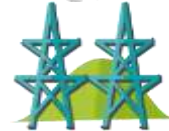
Rotating machines



Isolators



HV & MV Cable



Line impedance





Protection Relays

Single-phase secondary injection



1 U / 1I

T1000+

- 1 I up to 250A
- 1 V up to 250 V (1I 40 A)
- Vdc Aux..
- 2 digital inputs
- 2 digital outputs
- Local control



3U / 1I

RELTEST1000

- 15 I up to 15 A
- 3 V up to 400 V
- Vdc Aux...
- 2 digital inputs
- 4 digital outputs
- Local or remote control
- TDMS software, manual control
- Option: 6 low-level outputs



1 U / 1I

Vanguard RFD-200 S3

- 1 I up to 250A
- 1 U up to 250 VAC
- 1 U up to 300 VAC
- 3 AC current output ranges, 0-10, 40 and 100A, up to 250A for 1s
- Local control



Protection Relays

Three-phase secondary injection



3 U / 3I and +

DRTS

3I3U or 3I4U or 6I4U or 6I6U
 Up to 32A by I output and 300V by U output
 Automatic simulation on all types of relays

Aux Vdc (for relay power)
 12 inputs and 4(+4) digital outputs
 2 analog inputs

Local or remote control
 TDMS Pro software with manual control
 and automatic test modules.

Options: 6 low-level outputs,
 Synchronization, Disturbance recorder,
 Current amplifier, Polarity meter, CEI61850-
 8 / CEI61850-9



3U / 3I and +

F6150

Injection up to 6 voltages and 6
 currents
 Automatic simulation on all types of
 relays
 Local control via web interface
 (option)
 (control by PC, tablet, smartphone)

Possibility of use in amplifiers for
 real-time simulators (RTDS®, OPAL-
 RT,® ...)
 High precision and power

IEC 61850 option



3 U / 3I and +

F8000

Model F8200: 4 modules to choose from
 Model F8300: 7 modules to choose from
 Possible modules:
 Current 2 x 25 A at 150 VA each
 Voltage 2 x 150V to 150VA each
 Binary Inputs/Outputs: x 4

+ 1 control module: communications (3x
 Ethernet ports, 2 SFP ports, 2 USB ports),
 IRIG-B SYNCHRONIZATION, IEEE 1588 /
 IEC 61850-9-3 Protocol (PTP), GPS,
 CEI61850-8, IEC 61869-9 & IEC 61850-9-
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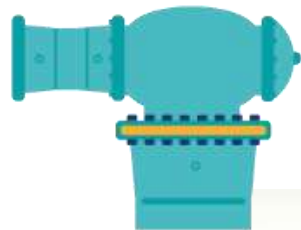
Protection Relay Digital Network Analyzer CEI61850



F6880 DNA

Digital Network Analyzer:
Detects and responds to problems
in IEC 61850 networks
3 x RJ-45 10/100/1000 Mbps ports
2 x 1 Gbps Copper/Fiber SFP Ports
2 x USB 3.0 Type-A & B ports





HV Circuit Breakers

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CBA1000

2 chambers per phase
4 auxiliary contacts
Local or remote control

Base :

Time & Sync Opening/Closing
Peak/shape/values Current of the coils
interlocking/tripping (up to 4)

Options :

- Double-ground test clamp set
- 1 μ Ohmmeter for statiq./dynam.
- Speed and motion analyzer
- Min. voltage (missing coil)
- Motor current, SF6 density

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CBA3000

8 or 16 or 24 inputs for Main and auxiliary contacts
+ Local or remote control

Base :

Time & Sync Opening/Closing
Peak/shape/values Current of the coils
engaged/tripped (up to 6)

Options :

- Set of double-ground test clamps
- 3 μ Ohmmeters for statiq./dynam.
- Speed and motion analyzer
- Min. voltage (missing coil)
- Motor current, SF6 density





Power Transformer



T2000 T3000

CT, VT, Power Transformer:

- Ratio and polarity (CT/VT)
- Load (CT/VT)
- Saturation curve (CT)
- Impéd. Short Circuit (PT)
- Resistance (PT)
- Relay Testing (T3000 only)

Primary Injection: 800A, 2kV
 Second injection. : 800, 40 or 10A

Local control

Option Ext : 400A dc

STS5000

CT, VT, Power Transformer:

- Ratio and polarity (CT/VT)
- Load (CT/VT)
- Saturation curve (CT)
- Impéd. Short Circuit (PT)
- No-load current (PT)
- SRM/DRM Resistance (PT)

Options : One-wiring test

- Ten Delta 12kV + chokes (for rotating machines)
- Current amp (up to 5kA)
- Line Printing and Ground Tests
- Demagnetization
- 800Aac,400Adc ,2kV,140V,6° dc/ac
- Local or remote control

M7100

Three-phase Power Transformer Tester

- Ratio and polarity
- Tan Delta
- Imped. short circuit
- Demagnetization
- SRM/DRM Resistance (PT)
- 12kVac, 250Vac, 35A dc/ac
- Local or remote control



Power Transformer



M5500

Frequency Response Analyzer (SFRA): Detects mechanical faults or winding deformations related to short circuit, mechanical stress, or transportation.

Fast field instrument for high-quality measurements

- Very easy to use
- Delivers accurate results in seconds
- Industry's Benchmark



MYRKOS

Portable Chromatograph for Measuring Gases Dissolved in Oil

- Measures the 9 key gases
- Lab or field version
- Most accurate technology on the market
- Ease of use
- Reliable and robust even in daily use on site



INSIDEVIEW

Insulating oil diagnostic software, to manage a complete fleet of transformers, load adjusters, oil circuit breakers and oil cables.

- Comprehensive dissolved gas and oil quality analysis
- Data centralization
- Integration of laboratory or other data



Measurement



T2000 T3000

CT, VT, Power Transformer:

- Ratio and polarity (CT/VT)
- Load (CT/VT)
- Saturation curve (CT)
- Short Circuit Impedance (PT)
- Continuity Resistor (PT)
- Relay Testing (T3000 only)

Primary Injection: 800A, 2kV
Secondary injection: 800, 40 or 10A

Local control

Ext. Opt: 400A dc

STS5000

CT, VT, Power Transformer:

- Ratio and polarity (CT/VT)
- Load (CT/VT)
- Saturation curve (CT)
- Short Circuit Impedance (PT)
- No-load current (PT)
- Continuous Socket Resistance (PT)

Options :

- Tan Delta + chokes (for Tan Delta rotating machines)
- Current amplifiers (up to 5kA)
- Line Impedance, Ground Resistivity, Ground Resistance, Step&touch Voltage
- 800° ac, 400° dc, 2kVac, 140V & 6Aac/dc
- Local or remote control

iCT1

CT, VT. Tests of up to 5 simultaneous takes:

Ratio (up to 1:20000) and phase error

- Excitation curve (up to 2 kV or 30 kV option)
- Winding Resistance
- Secondary charge
- Accuracy and ALF/ISF
- Demagnetization functions
- Nominal Value Search Function

6 Aac/dc, 2k Vac, accuracy class 0.1

Local or remote control

Option: 30 kV – DC method



Surge arresters



SCAR10

On-line diagnostic of metal oxide surge arresters

- Leakage Current Recording
- Cost-effective solution for metal-oxide surge arrester monitoring
- Harmonic analysis with compensation
- Battery Powered Instrument
- In-Service Diagnostic Solution



LCM500

On-line diagnostic of metal oxide surge arresters

- Leakage Current Recording
- Industry-leading solution for metal-oxide surge arrester monitoring
- Harmonic analysis with compensation
- Wireless Sensors
- Battery-powered instrument
- In-Service Diagnostic Solution



Batteries

BTS200 Battery Tester

Measurement of:

- Battery voltage
- Current discharge test
- Battery capacity

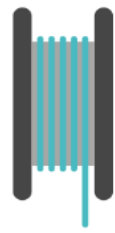
Test in:

- Constant Current
- Constant power
- Load Profile

For a battery up to 240 V
and current up to 130A

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Partial Discharges Analyzer



AQUILA - Portable PD analyzer

- One device for condition-based maintenance of HV and MV cables, transformers, rotating machines and switchgears
- Innovative instrument for Partial Discharge testing (recording & processing)
- Ultra-Wide Band, fast integrated processing capability
- PD Pulse detector and waveform analyser
- Multiple Connectivity (Wi-Fi, Fibre Optics, USB, Bluetooth)
- NEW PD Pro software – the integrated software for Partial Discharge testing and reporting – IEC60270 compliant
- TECHIMP's patented T/F Map technology able to differentiate between noise signals and different multiple PD signals.



Spark P3 - Universal PD & EMI analyzer

Spark P3 is a universal partial discharge (PD) and electromagnetic interference (EMI) analyzer that uses a software defined radio signal detector to identify characteristics of insulation system deterioration that could lead to the failure of high voltage equipment. It detects signals from suitable sensors in a frequency range between 9 kHz to 2 GHz for PD and EMI, and DC to 500k Hz for acoustic and reference voltage measurements. covering a wide range of test objects and usable sensors, including:

- Rotating machines (PD couplers, HFCT sensors)
- Power transformers (HFCT sensors, UHF antennas, acoustic microphones)
- Instrument transformers (HFCT sensors)
- Switchgear (GIS and AIS – TEV sensors, UHF antennas, HFCT, acoustic sensors, spacer sensors, window sensors)
- Cables and accessories (HFCT, UHF sensors, acoustic sensors)

Advanced Online Monitoring System: EDS MKIII Expert Diagnostic System



MAIN APPLICATIONS

EDS – Expert Diagnostic System – is an Overall Condition Monitoring System designed to monitor the main substation assets: current transformer, voltage transformer, power transformers, circuit breakers, surge arresters and GIS switchgear, which integrates all the real time conditions from all relevant substation assets in a single system.

MEASUREMENT MODULES

- Individual modules depending on the application and configuration chosen: AGD, bush monitoring, partial discharge, etc.
- Compatibility with any type of instrument, sensor or other data source

SYSTEM TURNKEY

- Project-by-project system architecture design
- System supply (sensors, data acquisition unit boxes, central unit, software, etc.)
- Commissioning

COMMUNICATION

IEC62541/IEC61850/ IEC60870/DNP3/MODBUS/...

Ethernet, USB, RS485, CEI61850, Modbus, DNP3

ENTERPRISE EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

TiSCADA

- Detailed analysis (unique predictive system for failure and consequence analysis)
- A single platform for all monitored equipment

DOBLEARMS

- Detailed analysis (unique predictive system for failure and consequence analysis)
- Instant update of risks (reliability, availability, customer impact, environmental, security, finance)

Comprehensive Transformer Monitoring



Analysis of HV transformers failures

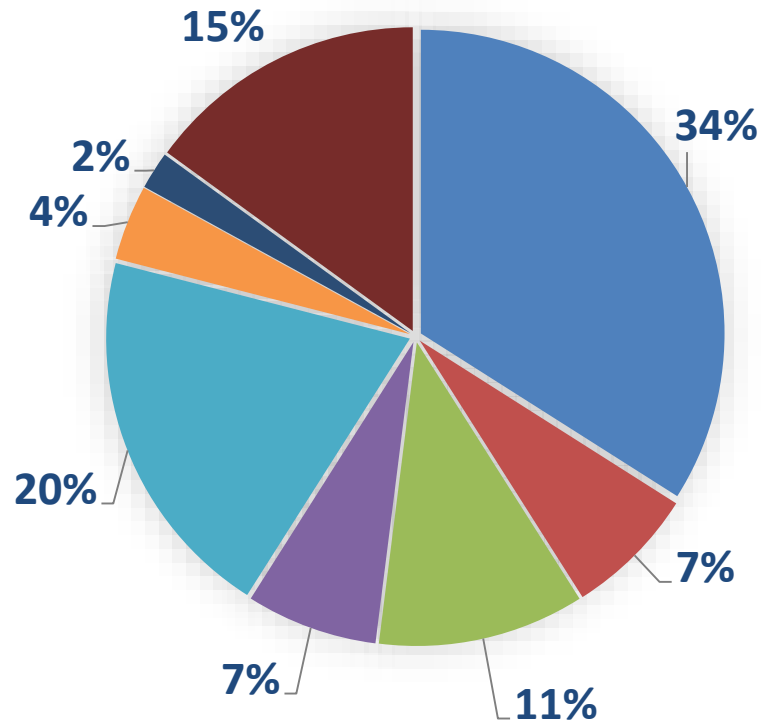
HV transformer faults in CELG (Brasil) 1979..2007



Windings and bushing failures represent about 50% of the overall failures, while tanks and cooling system add and other 15% approximately. Winding failures are basically due to the lack of insulation inside the tank

80% coverage

The most part of the components that generate failures are monitored by Equinox Power Solutions



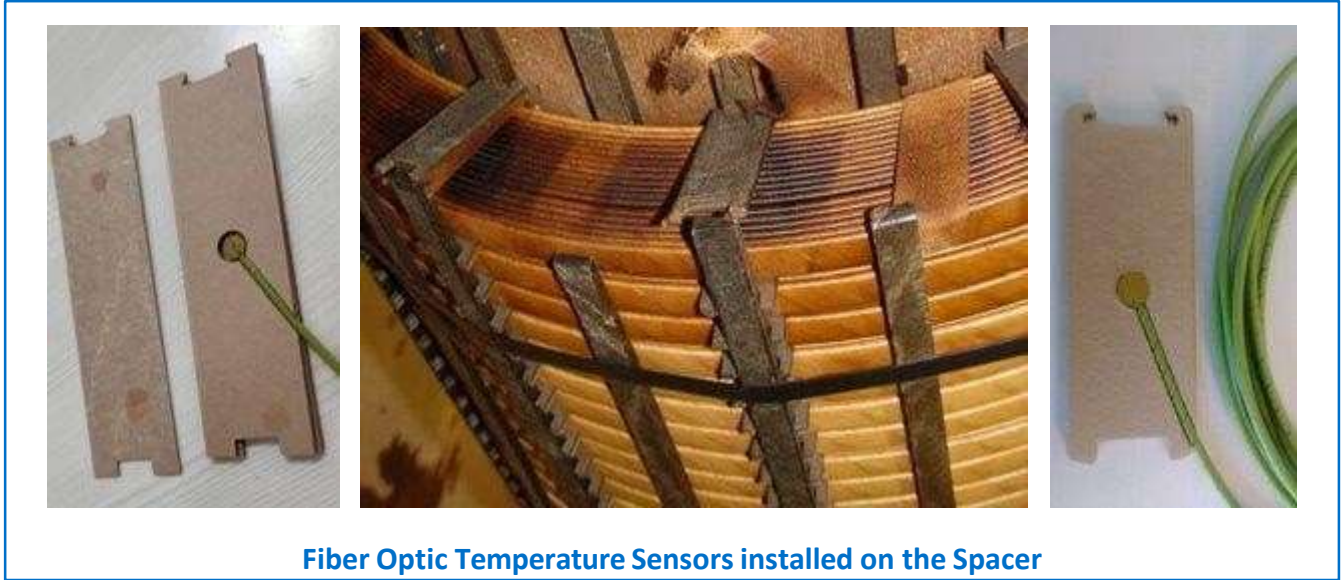
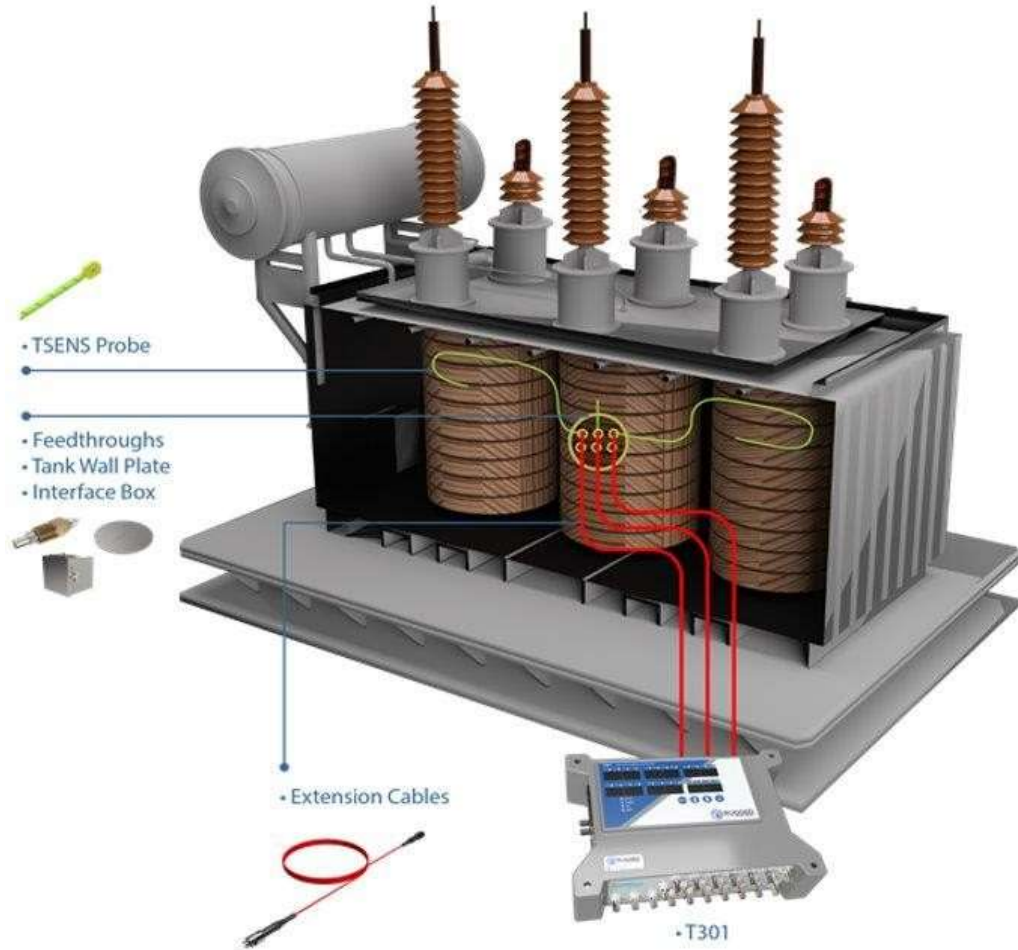
- Winding
- Cooling system
- Unidentified components
- Tanks and accessories
- OLTC+DTC
- Oil (insulating)
- Core
- Bushings

Ref. : Cacilda de Jesus Ribeiro; André Pereira Marques and others. Faults and Defects in Power Transformers – A Case Study

Transformer Fiber Optic Temperature



Sensor and Monitor



Fiber Optic Temperature Sensors installed on the Spacer



Calisto - Introduction

“The most accurate online DGA monitor solution”

Condition Monitoring Solution

- Precise and accurate DGA analysis
- Protects your transformer in between oil samples.
- The Calisto takes the recognised laboratory technology and brings it to your transformer.

Designed to fit your monitoring program

- The Calisto monitor can operate as a standalone DGA monitor or as part of our Enterprise Condition Monitoring Platform.

Calisto models

- Fault detection monitors.
- Fault diagnostic monitors.



Calisto
DGA Family

Monitoring modules and parameters

GTMS is a modular and configurable monitoring system that can also be combined according to the customer requirements. GTMS allows to monitor the following parameters:



Generic transformer parameters

- ^ Line currents
- ^ Oil temperatures (bottom, top, cooling system)
- ^ Core and windings temperatures
- ^ Cooling system current consumption (fan and pumps)
- ^ Hot spot temperature according to IEC 60076-7
- ^ Loss of life

Partial discharge monitoring

- ^ Partial Discharge
- ^ PRPD Pattern
- ^ Pulse shape



Bushing monitoring

- ^ Absolute Tan Delta (6 bushings HV & LV)
- ^ Relative Tan Delta
- ^ Bushing Capacitance measurement
- ^ Leakage current of each bushing
- ^ Tandelata degradation over time
- ^ The fast change in bushing capacitance
- ^ Measure the temperature of the bushing
- ^ Bushings currents and current imbalance
- ^ HV or LV Voltage (for TD calculation)

Dissolved gas monitoring

- ^ Hydrogen (H2)
- ^ Oxygen (O2)
- ^ Methane (CH4)
- ^ Carbon Monoxide (CO)
- ^ Carbon Dioxide (CO2)
- ^ Ethylene (C2H4)
- ^ Ethane (C2H6)
- ^ Acetylene (C2H2)
- ^ Nitrogen (N2)
- ^ Moisture-in-Oil
- ^ Oil Temperature



All the measurements have a warning and alarm threshold in order to highlight the problem to the SCADA system and prevent failures.

Monitoring layout

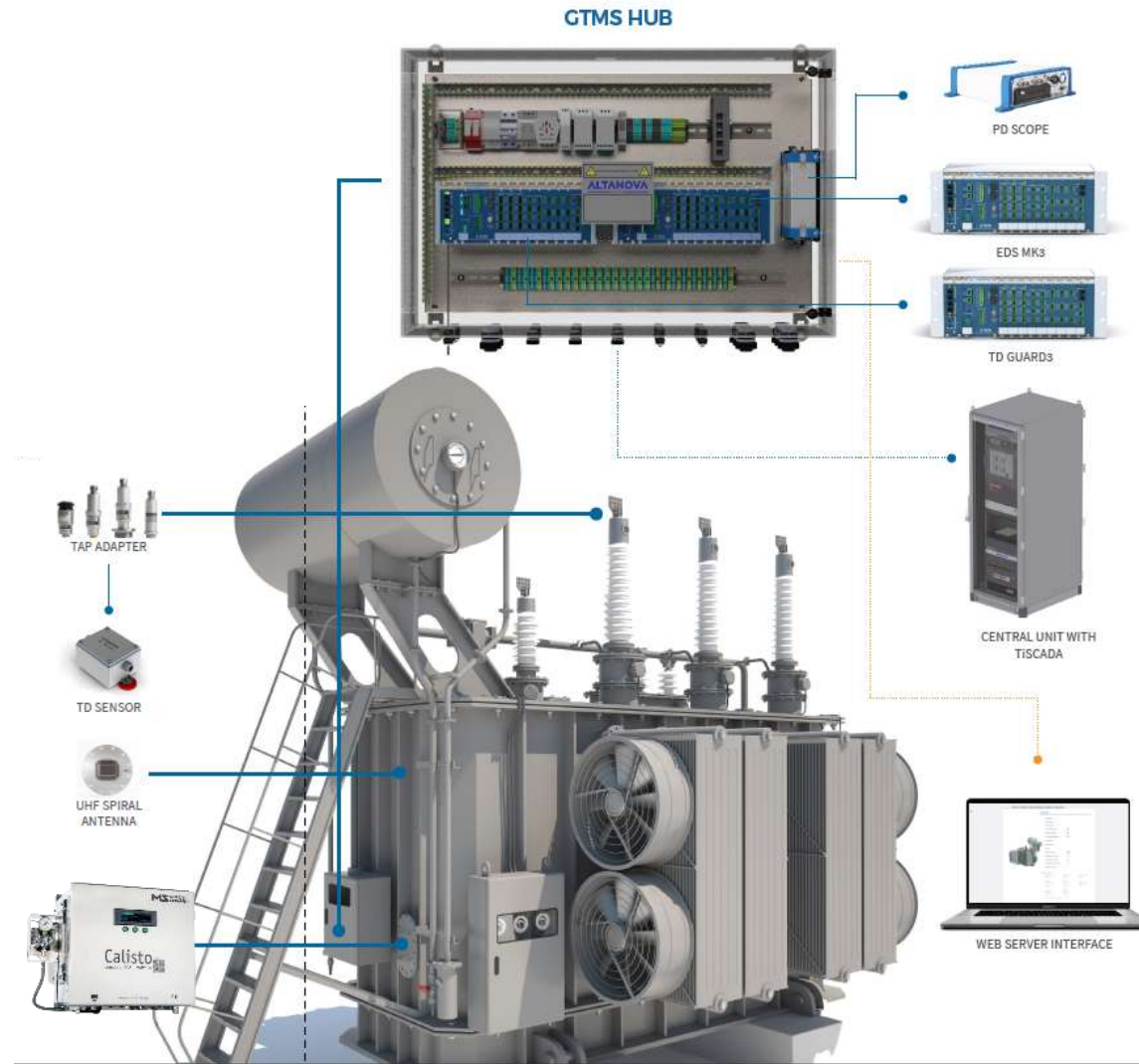
The modules can be used all together, for a global monitoring system, individually or in combination.

Generic transformer parameters

Bushing monitoring

Dissolved gas monitoring

Partial discharge monitoring



PD & TD Monitoring

- Partial Discharge
- Tap adaptors
- UHF sensors (window or drain-valve)
- 3 / 6 channel Acquisition Units PDHub
- Unsurpassed T/F-Map Technology

- Bushing Monitoring
- Capacitance
- Tan- δ
- Δ tan- δ



Monitoring of MV Switchgear



Monitoring of MV Switchgear



Global Monitoring Systems for MV Switchgear

- Partial Discharge Monitoring

- 1 – 40 channel DAUs
- HFCT, TEV, TEM US & FMC sensors

- Circuit Breaker Monitoring

- Parameters similar to HV CBM

- Temperature

- Passive SAW Technology
- PT1000

- Humidity



Partial Discharge Monitoring

Sensors

- HFCT – High Frequency Current Transformer
- TEV – Transient Earth Voltage
- TEM – Transversal Electromagnetic Waves
- UHF – Ultra High Frequency
- US - Acoustic



- TEV Sensor
- Contact Temperature Sensor
- Contact Ultrasonic Sensor
- ➔ Installed below AIS Panel in cable floor

AIS Panel

Temperature & Humidity

Sensors

- Passive SAW Technology
- Laser cut CMOS technology
- PT1000



- HFCT Sensor
- Airborne Ultrasonic Sensor
- ➔ Installed below GIS Panel

- Contact Temperature Sensor
- ➔ Installed above GIS Panel

GIS Panel

Critical Asset Monitoring (CAM) Platform



Real-time, Continuous Monitoring for the 3 Primary Failure Modes of Electrical Power Critical Assets

SENSORS



PASSIVE (Addresses overheating)

- sensor modules – NO power wiring or battery required
- 20+ year sensor life expectancy



Partial Discharge

Addresses conductor insulation breakdown



Humidity

Addresses air dielectric breakdown

MONITORING UNITS



CAM-5

- Touch panel HMI
- Monitoring capabilities: SAW
 - SAW & Ambient Temp,
 - PD (Trend)
 - Humidity
- Display and log data for up to 9 external Readers. Onboard data storage
- Multiple communication protocols



Reader

- Remote Monitoring
- Modbus RTU (RS485)

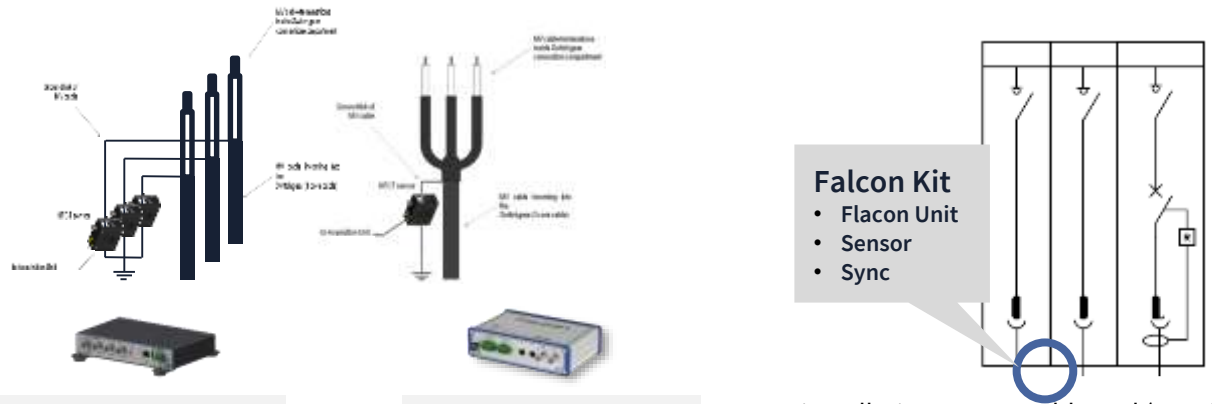
Medium Voltage CABLES



MV Monitoring System solutions



Typical installations on MV cable termination





FALCON 4 channels


FALCON 1 channel


system installation on one cable end (as reference)

Falcon Family measure, storage, analysis and alarms

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MEASURE
Automatic detection of partial discharges through sensors located on a cable termination
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STORAGE
Historical archive of measures up to two years
- 

ANALYSIS
Automatic recognition of critical issues in evolution
- 

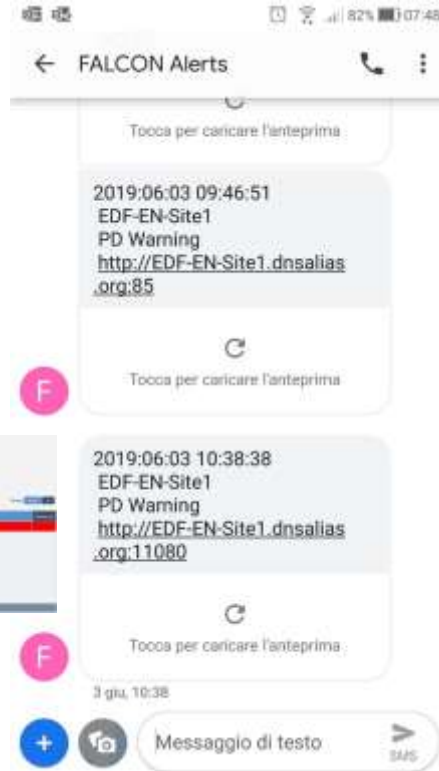
ALARMS
Maintenance work only where necessary and before failure event

Plug & Play
FALCONS are Plug & Play devices that can be installed with a few simple operations. It configures itself automatically, and once powered, it is immediately operational.

Embedded User interface



Local HMIs – no SW installation is required



SMS & emails

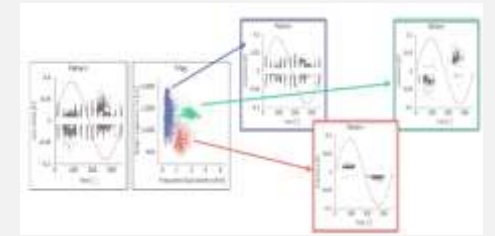
Challenges and Technology Highlight

Ensuring accurate measurements in harsh environments.

Focus on quality and data processing

Integrating monitoring systems into existing infrastructure.

Focus on IoT and Modularity



TF-MAP®

Future-proof:

- ✓ Multi protocols (MQTT/IEC61850/Modbus/etc)
- ✓ Scalable and cost-effective monitoring solutions
- ✓ Maintenance free & Wireless Sensor Networks





TFS 2100E Travel fault locator system

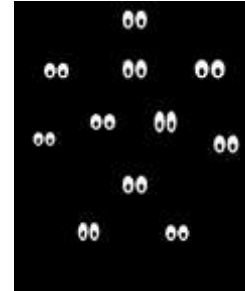
Enhancing Power Lines Reliability and Efficiency

Travelling wave fault location system

- INTRODUCTION – Why ?

Why use fault location?

- Reducing costs related with “out of order” condition of transmission lines
- **Monitoring** the faults for natural events (wind, storm, lightning)
- **Locating** the faults with a very high accuracy
- **Distinguishing** between random faults caused by lightnings or fire under the line, and **predictable discharge** due to contaminated insulator, a swaying or growing tree
- **Finding and repairing** trouble spots in time to prevent other discharges for repetitive faults, increasing the line reliability.



Travelling wave fault location system

INTRODUCTION - Methods

Fault location methods used

WAVEFORMS ANALYSIS

old method in non-digital time

when the oscillograph fault recorder were used

IMPEDANCE CALCULATION

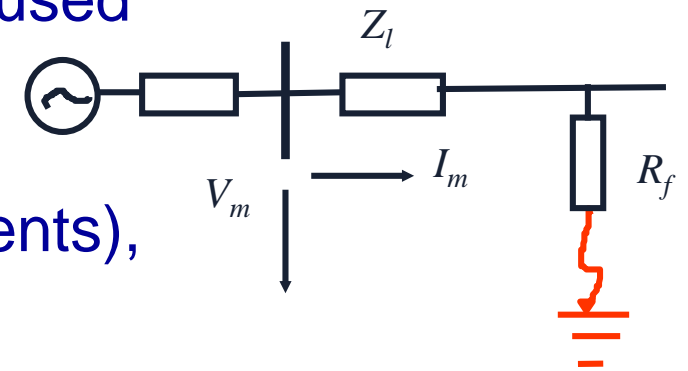
widely used (based on sequence components),

Cost effective, but

poor accuracy

(errors > 10%, affected by remote fault in-feeding,
resistance fault, CT / VT errors, line parameters, ...)

& only for normal AC power line



Travelling wave fault location system



INTRODUCTION - Methods

Fault location methods used
TRAVELLING WAVE METHOD:
The best solution



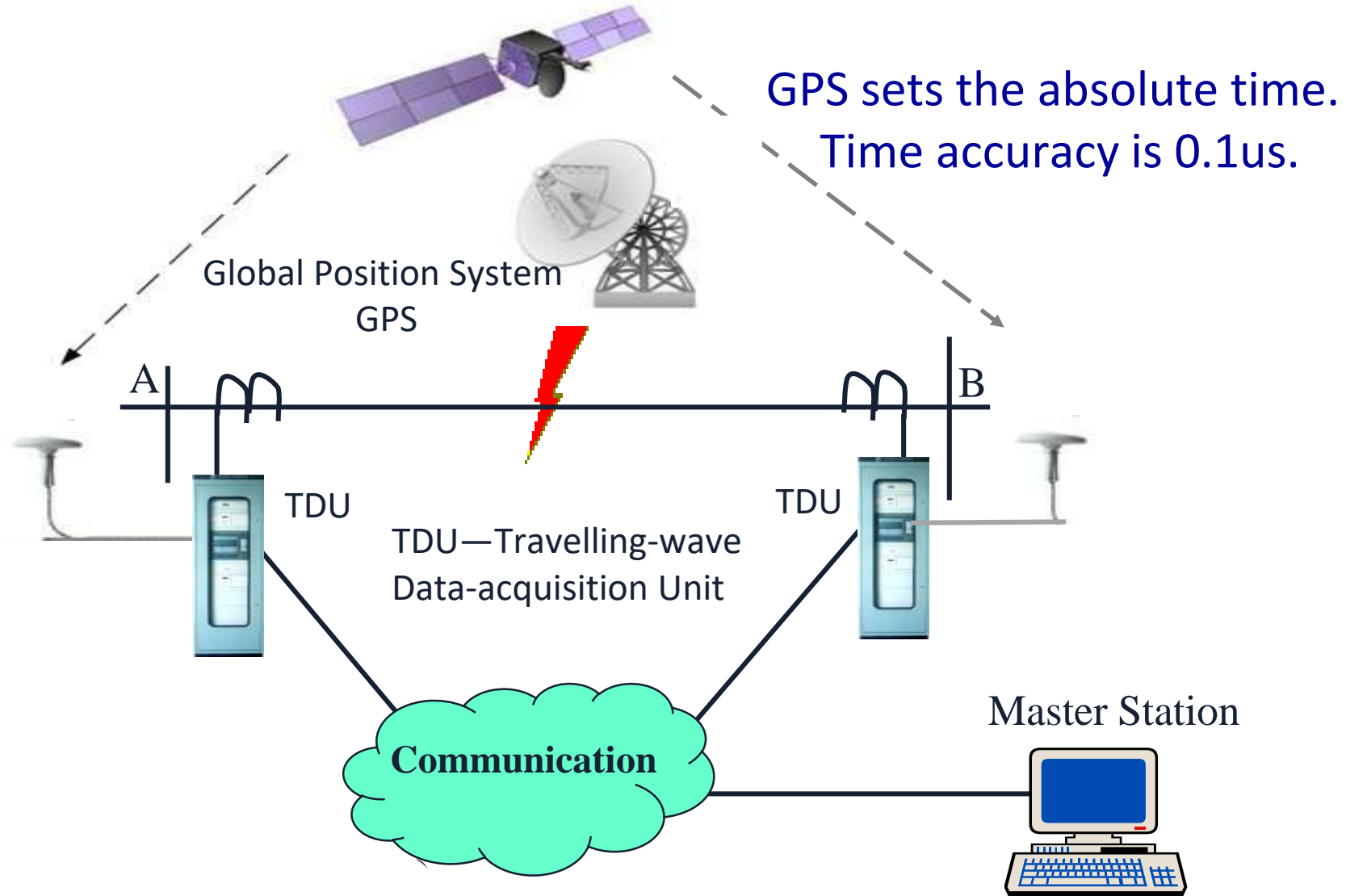
Determine the **DISTANCE TO FAULT** by
MEASURING THE TIME for a surge to travel from fault to
busbar

EXCELLENT ACCURACY as the velocity of TW are free from
influences such as Fault resistance, VTs/CTs errors, inaccurate
line parameters

Can be applied for **ALL kinds of POWER LINES**
(HVDC, double circuit, T-branch, seriously compensated,
overhead and cable mixed lines)

Travelling wave fault location system

- TFS2100E System – Overall view



Travelling wave fault location system



- TFS2100E System – Overall view

What does TFS2100E do?

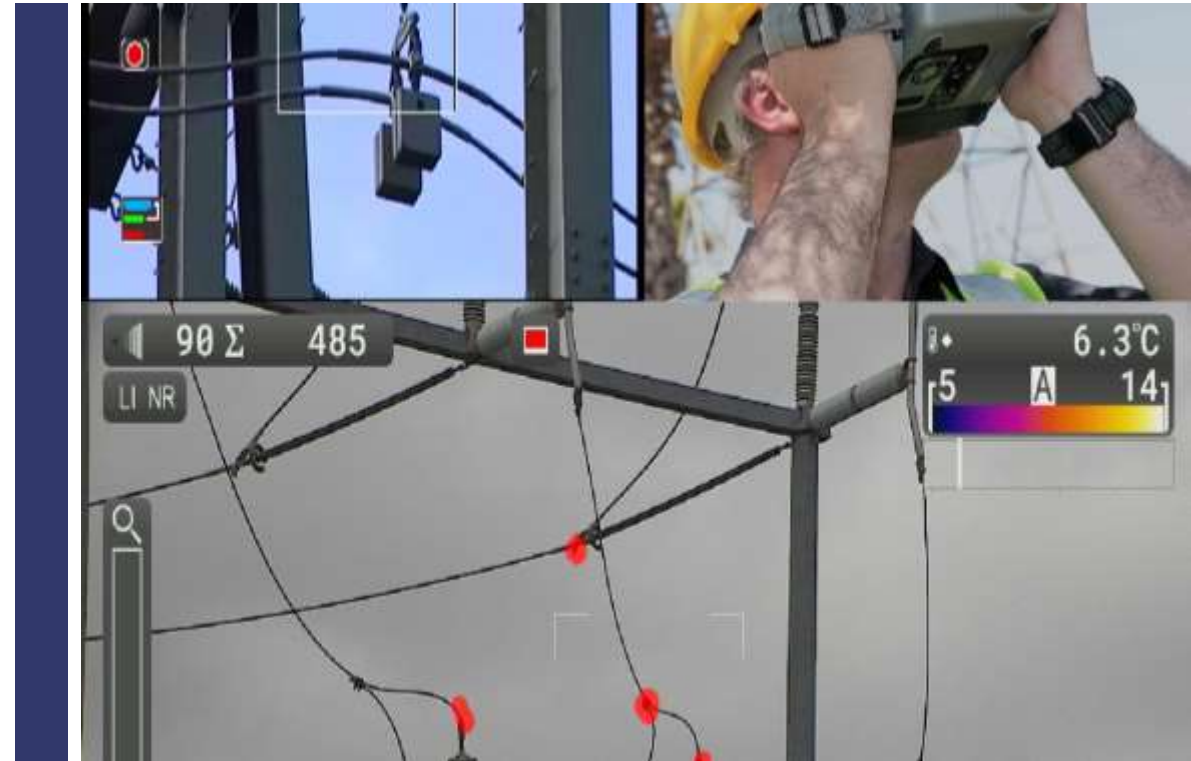
1. CATCHES THE TRAVELING WAVE SIGNAL: TDU-100E
2. TAGS THE TIME STAMP: TDU-100E with internal GPS
3. GETS THE FAULT RECORDS FROM REMOTE SUBSTATIONS:
TAS 2100E MASTER UNIT SOFTWARE
4. ANALYZES RECORDS TO GET FAULT LOCATION:
TAS 2100E MASTER UNIT SOFTWARE

COROCAM 8HD

- Multi-Spectral (UV, LWIR & Vis)
- High Resolving Power (HD + Zoom)
- High UV Sensitivity
- Viewfinder and LCD
- Ergonomic Design
- Advanced User Interface
- Day and Night operation
- Commercial batteries
- Spotlight



12 Month Warranty
I/O connectors (Ethernet, USB, RS232.485)



INSPECTING THE ELECTRICAL SUPPLY CHAIN

Thermal inspections allow the operator to locate hot spots resulting from:

- Thinned conductors
- Unbalanced phases
- Some types of damage

Hot spots occur only when there is current flow.

False positives are possible, usually due to thermal reflections.

Effective thermal inspections require suitable resolving power.

If the hot object is smaller than the area projected onto one pixel, then its temperature is averaged with the surrounding "cold" area projected onto that pixel. When the hot area is too small it will make an unnoticeable difference to the pixel temperature relative to its surrounds.



INSPECTING THE ELECTRICAL SUPPLY CHAIN

The Ultraviolet (C-band) is used to detect the emissions from electrical discharges, which occur due to:

- Excessive field intensities resulting from:
 - Bad design
 - Bad installation
 - Damage
- “Wet” pollution, resulting in surface arcing activity.



Electrical discharges can occur anywhere where there is a suitably large electric field (due to voltage applied).

False positives are rare.

The electrical discharge just indicates where the problem is, visual inspection is needed to determine what the problem is.

“...Condition Monitoring is like insurance.....”



***Everybody** agrees its prudent to have it, but **nobody** wants to pay for it.
Anybody could see the benefits, and **Somebody** always asks why it was not fitted when its allgone wrong.....”*



THANK YOU!