

# ELECTRIC VEHICLE MOTOR AND CONTROLLER TEST

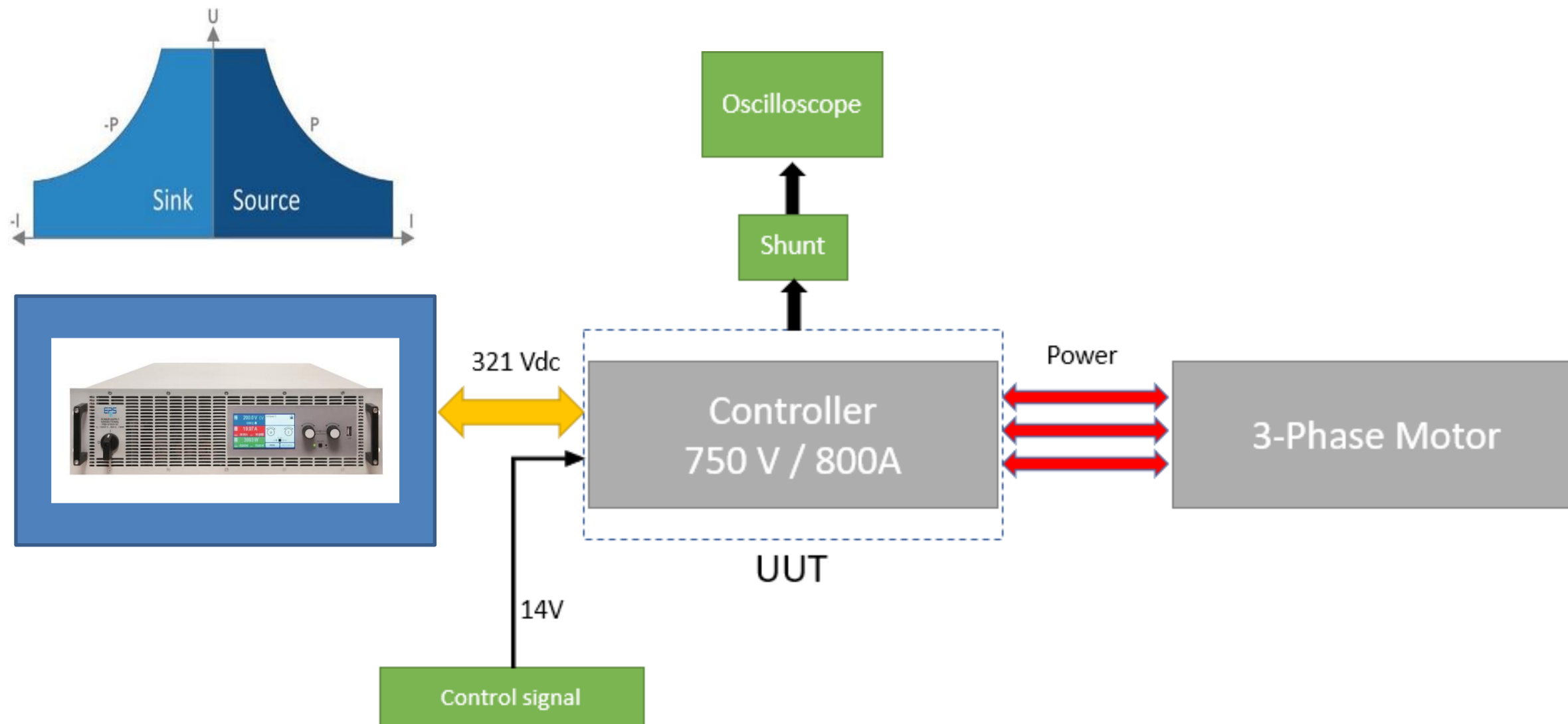
This application note provides an example of testing an E-Motor and Controller for electric vehicles.



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- Electric Motor and Drive-train (Electric Mobility) Testing is a critical part of bringing any electric drive-train into production.
- Here the requirements for an electric drive-train test cell are discussed.
- The implementations of such test cells are described, and examples of test results are provided.
- The energy and power requirements for three- phase motor and controller, Unit Under Test (UUT) connected through a common dc bus are described.
- The data used represents various steady state load conditions during durability test cycles.
- This “Smart Green Technology” concept not only reduces the energy requirement from the grid but also eliminates the inefficiencies by putting energy back on the grid.
- Traditional test setups require a dedicated DC source and Load in parallel to deal with bi-directional energy flow. This can require a complex test setup to coordinate energy flow and to avoid damaging expensive test equipment.
- The PSB 9000 is a bi-directional DC source and electronic load which simplifies the test setup, avoids catastrophic damage and decreases test times. This electronic load has the unique option of back-feeding converted energy into the grid.

# Test Setup



- \* **Bi-Directional DC Source and regenerative Electronic Load:** EPS Electronic Power Supply is a bidirectional power supply that meets multiple requirements and solves multiple tasks. First and foremost, the system is a power supply. It also meets the function of an electronic load by absorbing energy and feeding it back into the grid. The parameters for the power supply as well as for those for the electronic load can be adjusted flexibly. The integrated functions include a battery test mode, an arbitrary generator and a vehicle start-up curve. As the internal resistance is adjustable, the functioning of batteries, fuel cells can also be reproduced. Ideal to be used to return the energy in test processes, for example on a **drive** test rig, to the supply source.

This example provides a block diagram of the simplified test setup using the EPS /PSB 9000 Series Power Supply.

- DSO-scope and shunt used for measurements. Digital signal for controller adjustments.

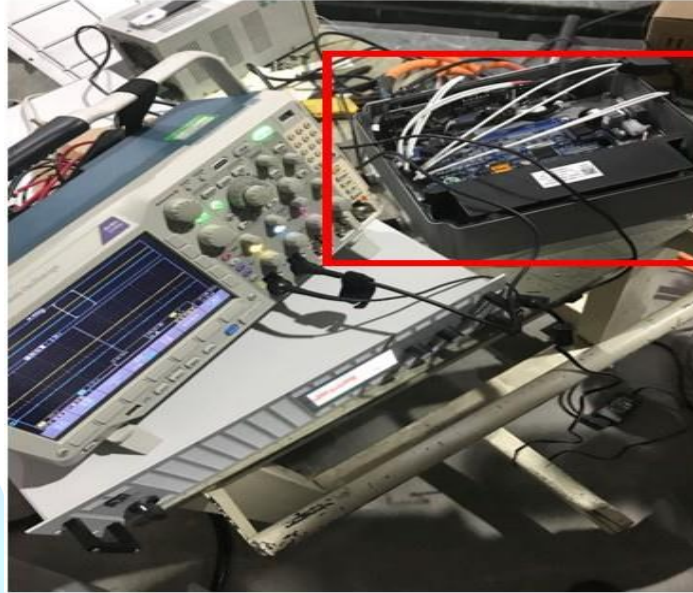


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**TEST Condition Example:**

UUT: Controller maximum power: 750 Vdc / 800 Adc (the test below provides 320 Vdc and programmed to 10 Adc.



The motor RPM is approximately 6,000 RPM, Clockwise and Counter-Clockwise at no-load condition

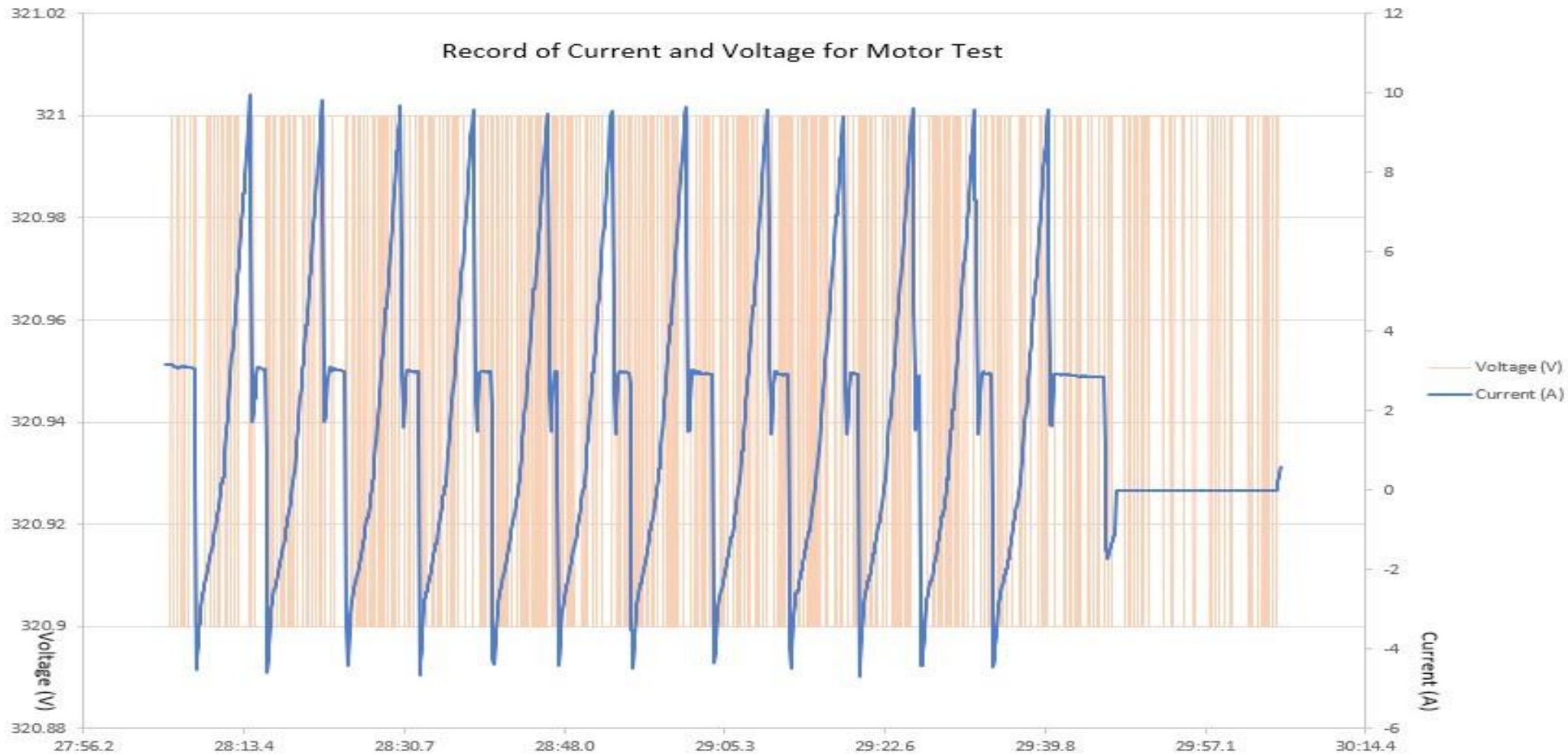


## Test Method:

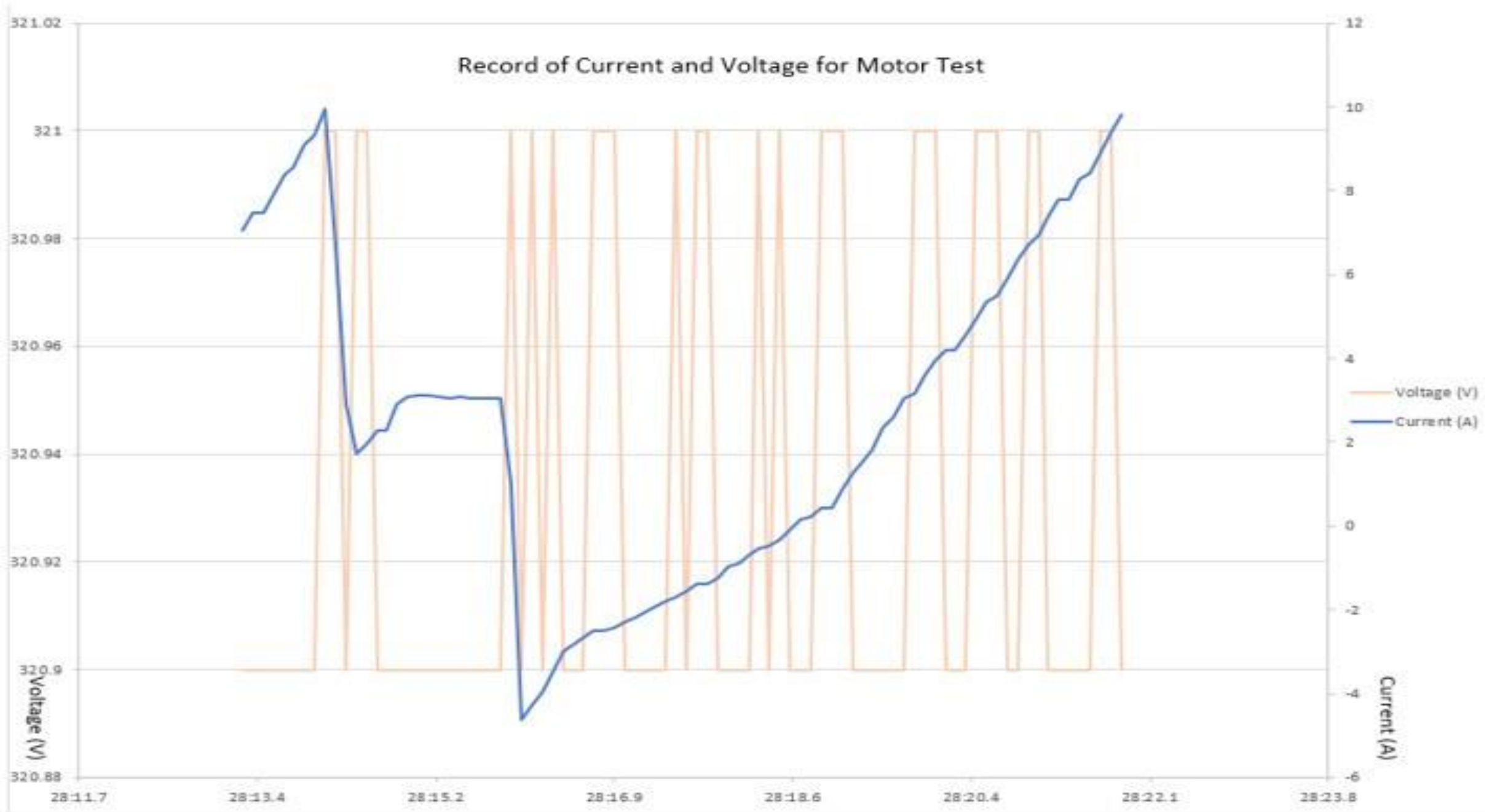
The E-Motor runs at 6,000 RPM in clockwise direction, pulling positive current up to 10 Adc (Source).

After approximately 100msec, the control controller turns voltage to the motor OFF and the current quickly dissipates into the PSB 9000 at approximately -5 Adc (Sink).

Voltage is re-applied and the motor spins back up to steady state current of 10 Adc



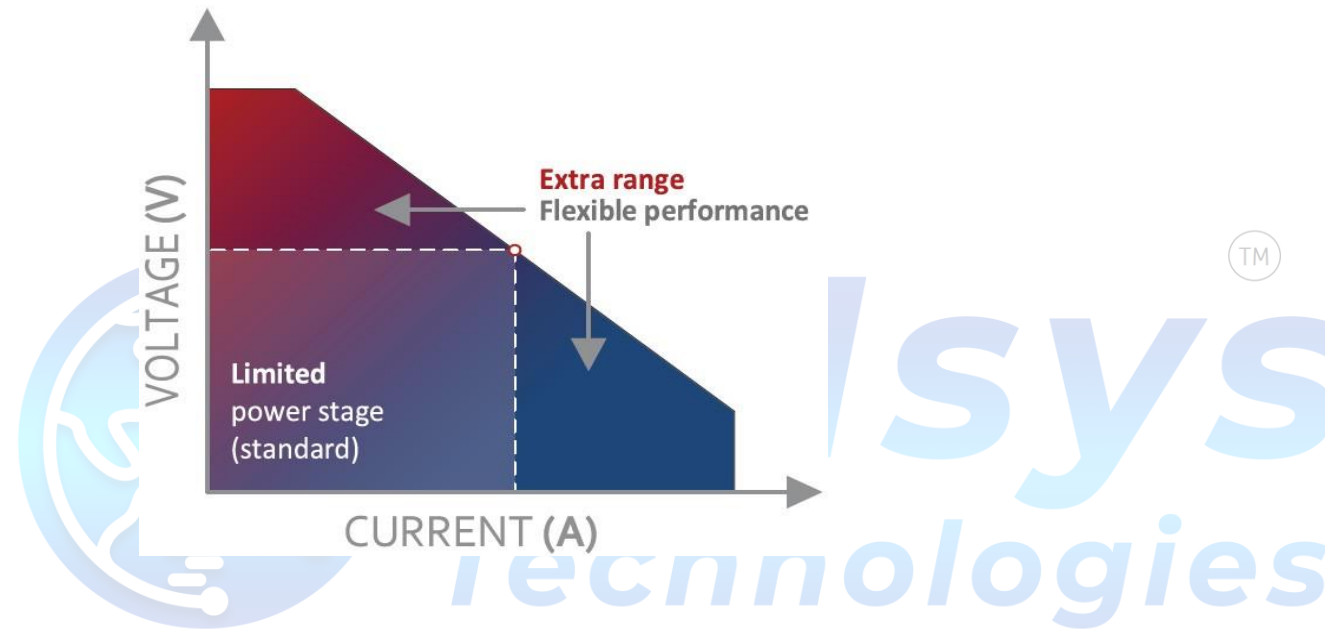
Above Fig: Voltage and current trace, 100msec sample rate



**Above Fig: Zoom in**

As the EPS Bidirectional Power supply do sources and sinks. Voltage stability maintains at 320.9 Vdc even during the transition of positive to negative current flow

Additional Benefit of EPS Power Supply: an Auto-Ranging output stage. Typical programmable DC sources offer full output power at maximum voltage so at reduced voltages, the available power is greatly reduced. Auto-Ranging dynamically adjusts available output current at reduced voltages, maintaining full power from 33% to 100% of full-scale voltage. This is particularly useful when testing wide- ranging input products.



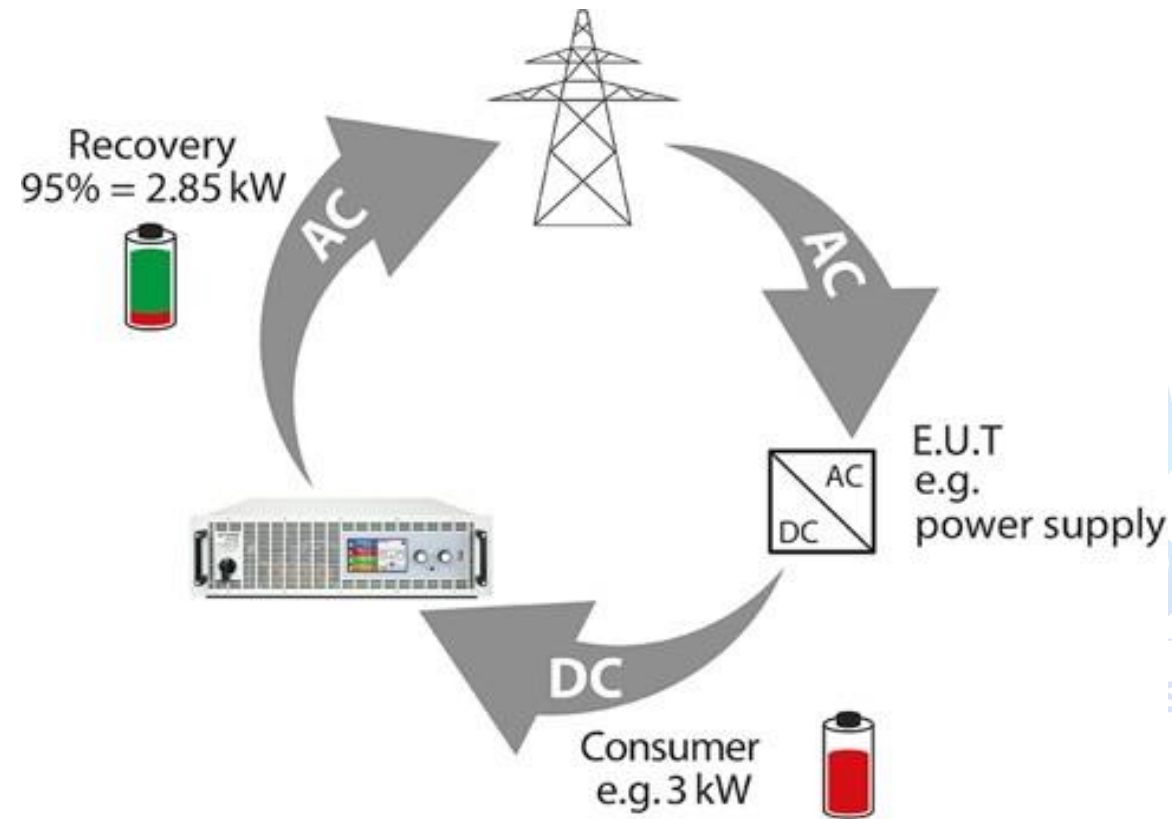
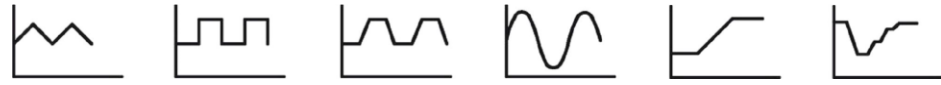
- available from 5 kW up to 480 kW in a per- configured chassis. Remote interface options include Ethernet, CAN Profibus, ProfiNet, ModBus, USB, RS232 or GPIB to make integration even easier.

Digital interface modules





- another added benefit is the PSB's ability to recycle the loaded energy back to the grid at approximately 95% efficiency. This results in operational energy cost savings and since the unit only dissipates 5% of the energy in the form of heat, the power density is industry leading at 15- kW in a single 3U rack mount chassis.



The screenshot displays a software interface for a power supply unit. At the top, the device is identified as "PSI 5040-10 A - 2740000714 @COM9" with a range of "[40V - 104 - 160 W]". The main display area is divided into four colored sections: Voltage (blue), Current (red), Power (green), and Resistance (brown). The Voltage section shows 20,01 V (setpoint 20,00 V). The Current section shows 0,000 A (setpoint 10,000 A). The Power section shows 0 W (setpoint 163 W). The Resistance section shows N/A Ω (setpoint N/A Ω). To the right, operational parameters are listed: Mode: CV, OP Mode: UIP, Access: rem-usb, Alarm: none, and a Remote Off button with a green indicator light.

Below the main display, there are control parameters: OVP: 44,00 V, OCP: 11,000 A, and OPP: 176 W. A "Hide command" button is also present. The interface includes a terminal window with a "Send" button and a list of commands on the left. The terminal output shows the following data:

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*IDN?  
30.07.2015 11:31:04.058 [TX] - *IDN?  
30.07.2015 11:31:04.078 [RX] -  
PSI 5040-10 A, 2740000714, V2.04 31.10.14 V2.06 20.07.2015 V1.0.18,
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The command list on the left includes:

- \*IDN?
- \*STB?
- SYStem:ERRor?
- SYStem:ERRor:All?
- MEASure:VOLTage?
- MEASure:CURRent?
- MEASure:POWer?
- MEASure:ARRay?
- VOLTage?
- CURRent?
- POWer?
- SYStem:LOCK:ON?
- SYStem:LOCK ON
- SYStem:LOCK OFF

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Thanks & Regards

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