#### Vibration Sources in Electric Motors

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#### **Electrical Sources of Pulsating Force**

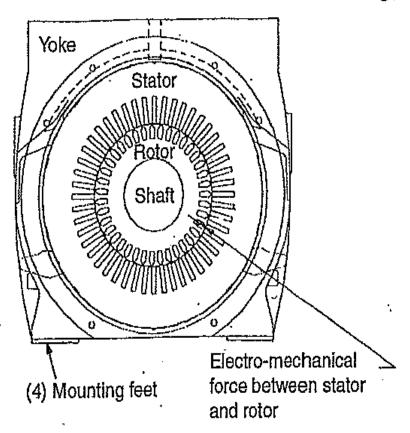
- Rotational Sources
- Radial Forces
- Axial Forces
- Winding Failures
- Power Supply/ Drives





#### **Rotational - Tangential Force**

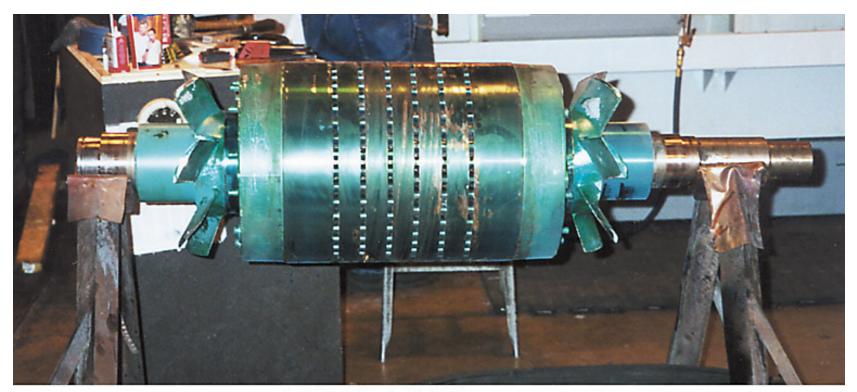








#### Rotor



800 HP AC Motor ID# 80-00019H





#### **Brake**







#### **Radial Forces**

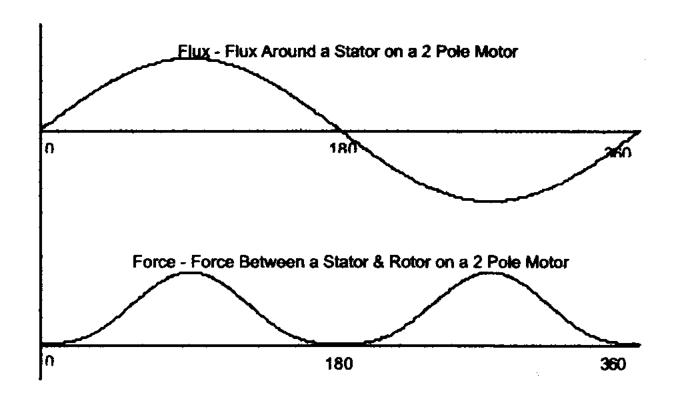
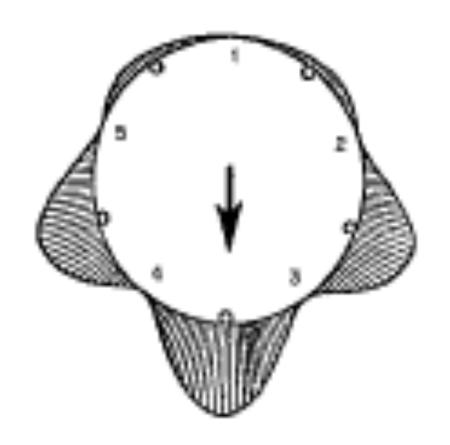


FIG. 2. One Period Flux Wave & Magnetic Force Wave





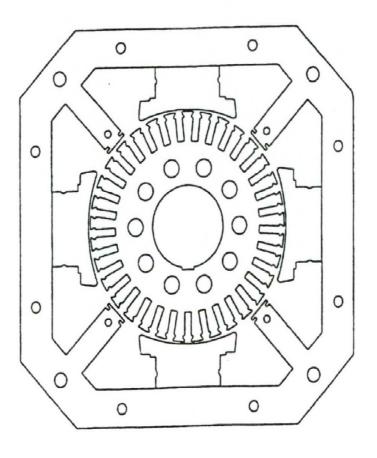
### **Unbalanced Magnetic Fields**







#### Radial Forces - Frequency of Supply- Poles

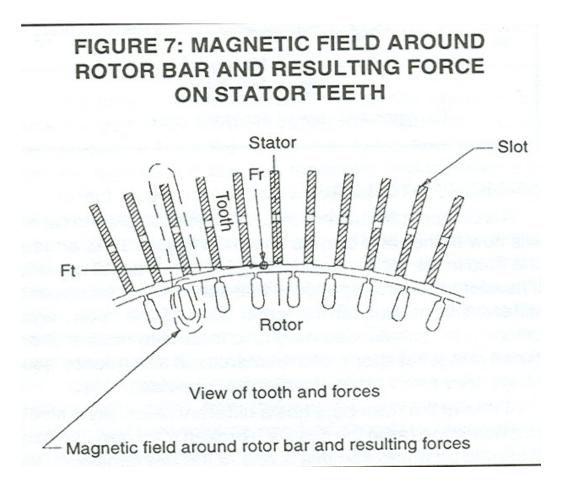


DC Motor Typical Four Pole Lamination





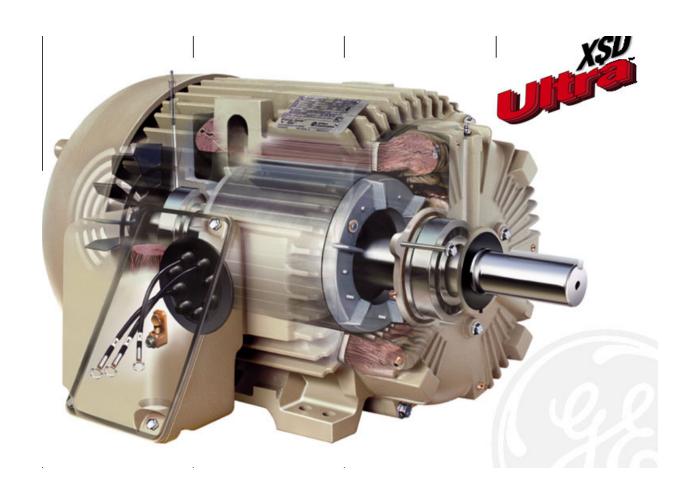
#### Radial Forces - Slot Passing







#### **Axial Forces - Magnetic Center**







### **Axial Forces - Air Passages**



300 HP Synchronous Motor ID#80-00008AJ





### **Axial Forces – Rotor Cage**

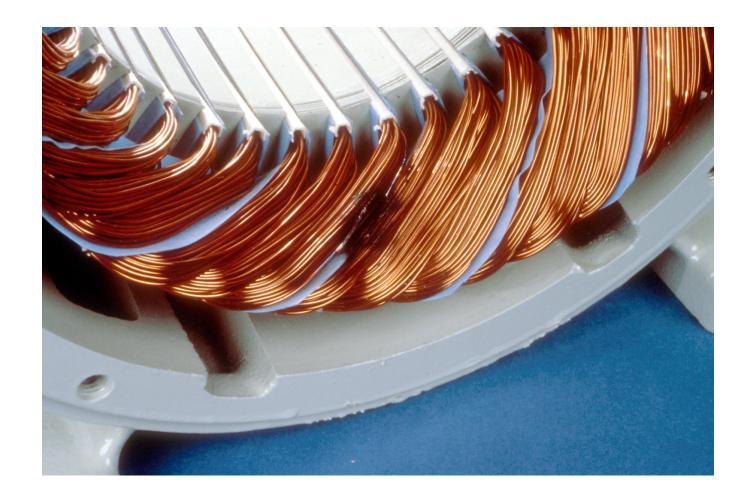


Rotor w/Shaft ID# 90-00015B





#### Winding Failures - Inter-phase Fault







#### **Ground Fault**

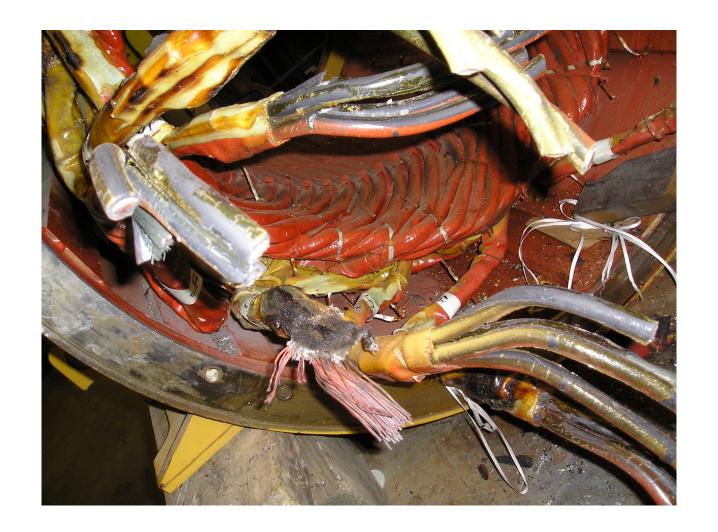








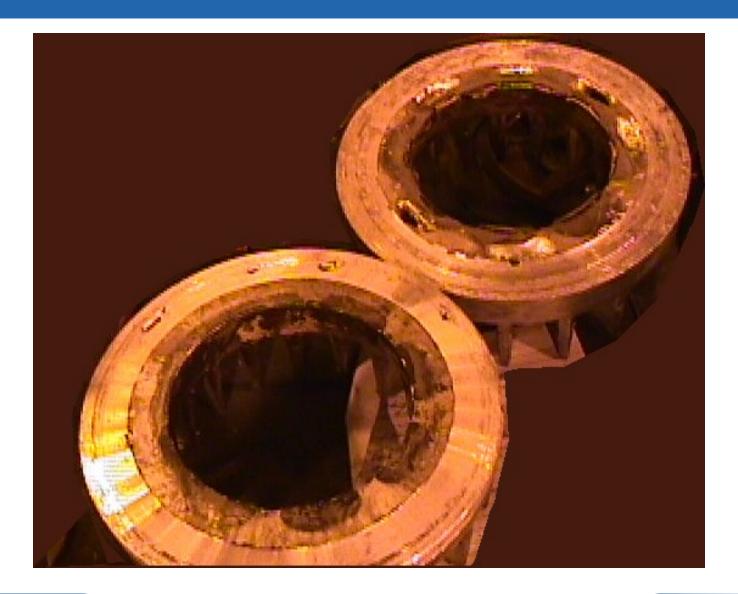
### **Open Sections**







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#### **Broken Rotor Bars**







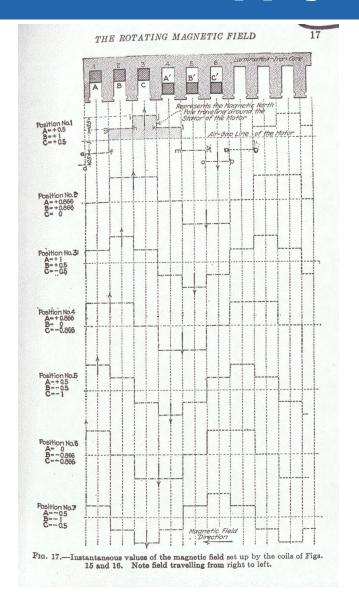
#### **Power Supply and Drives**

- Unbalanced Voltage Supply
- Intermittent Connections
- Pulsing from the Drive
- Harmonics from the Drive
- Encoder/Feedback Devices





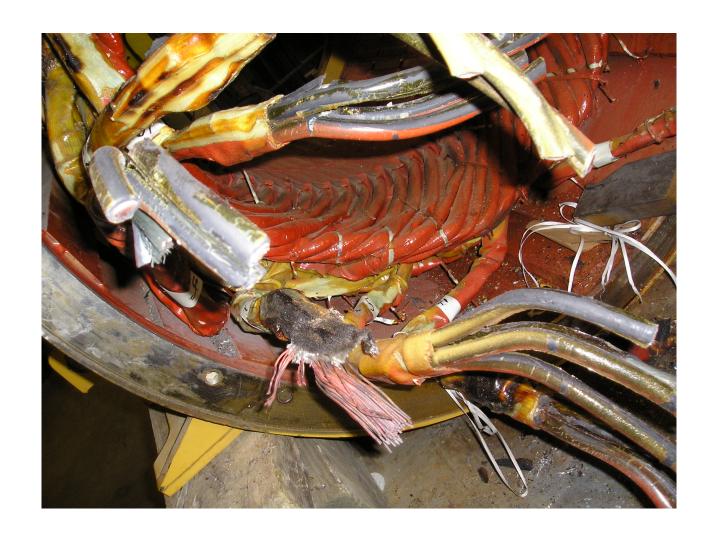
### **Unbalanced Supply Voltage**







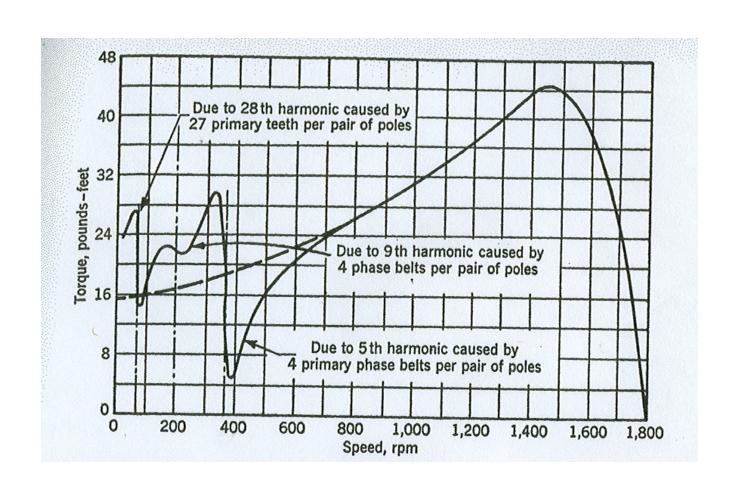
#### **Intermittent Connections**







#### **Harmonics from Drive**







# Power Supply/Drives - Encoder/ Feedback faults









#### **Mechanical Sources**

- Rotating Mass
- Eccentricity
- Roughness
- Load
- Rubbing
- Misalignment
- Distortion/Strain
- Oil Whirl





### **Rotating Mass**







### **Coupling and Key**







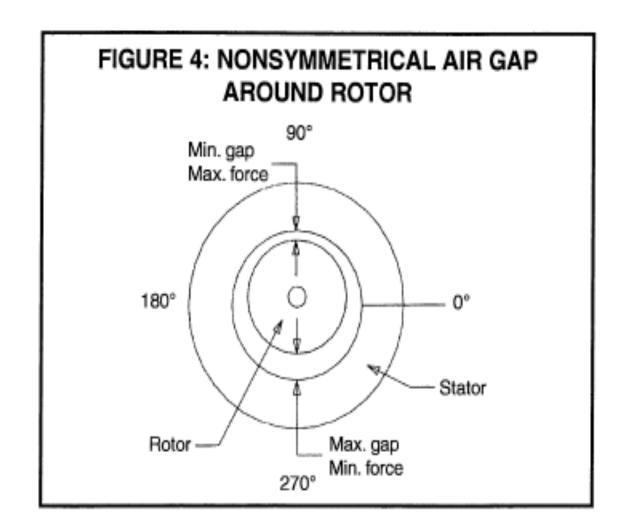
### **Rotating Mass – Fan Blade**







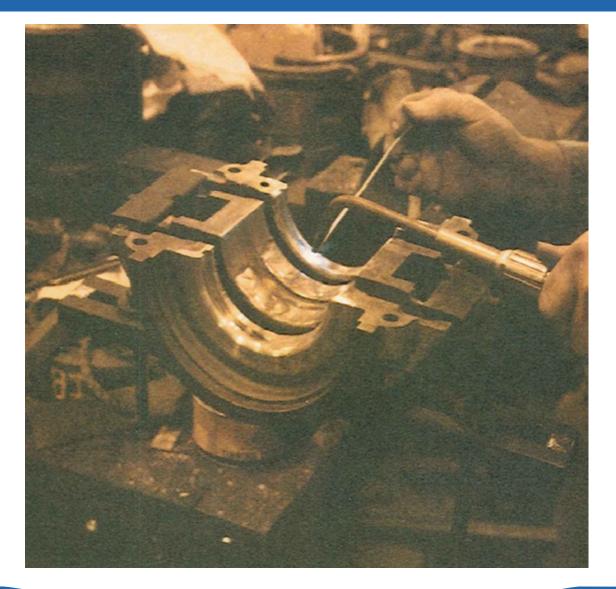
### **Eccentricity – Rotor Air Gap**







### **Eccentricity – Bearing**







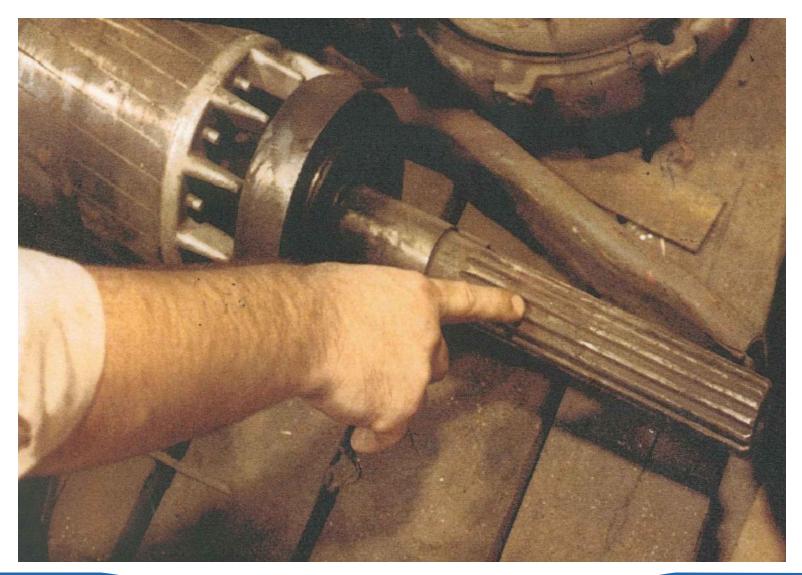
### **Roughness in Bearing**







### **Roughness in Gears**







### Load

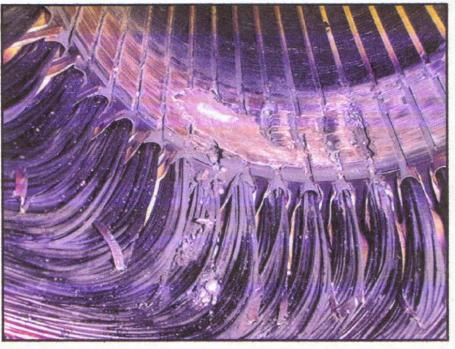






# Rubbing









# **Rubbing - Bearing**

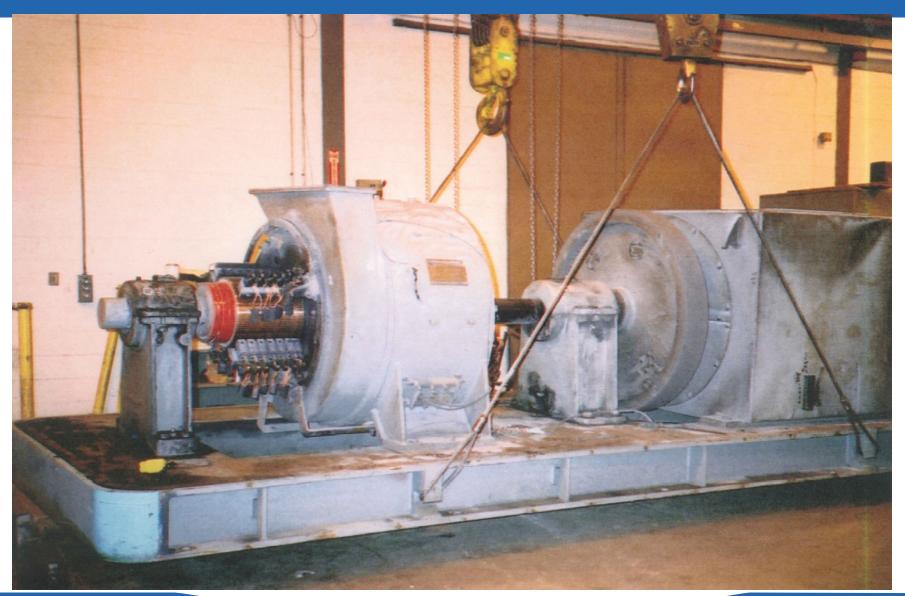








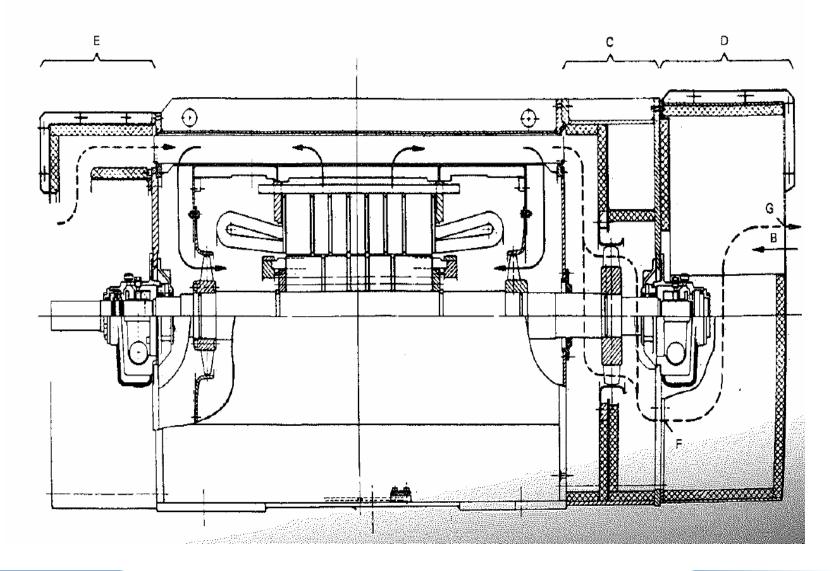
# Misalignment







### **Air Passages in Stator and Rotor**







### **Warped Frame**

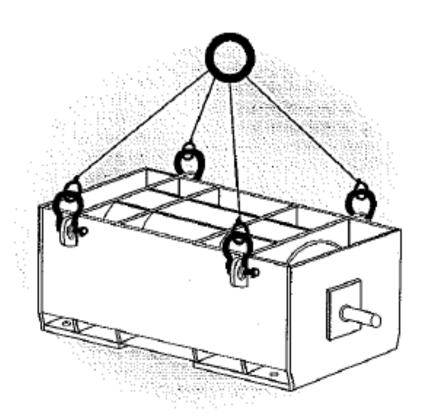


Figure 1. <u>Always</u> use the manufacturer provided lifting points.





# Water or Electric Supply Piping

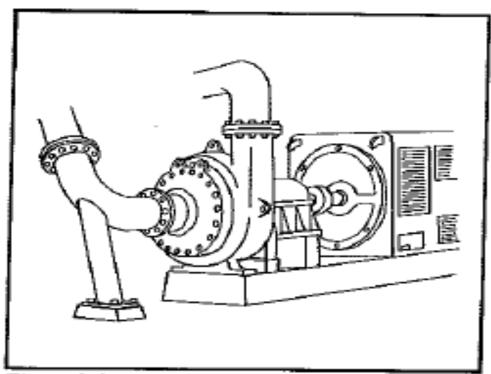


Figure 9-17. One type of support used to minimize drive vibration transmitted to a pump from the external piping.





### **Amplifier Effects**

- Resonance
- Soft Foot Rocking
- Looseness





# **Amplifier Effects - Resonance**







### **Amplifier Effects – Soft Foot**







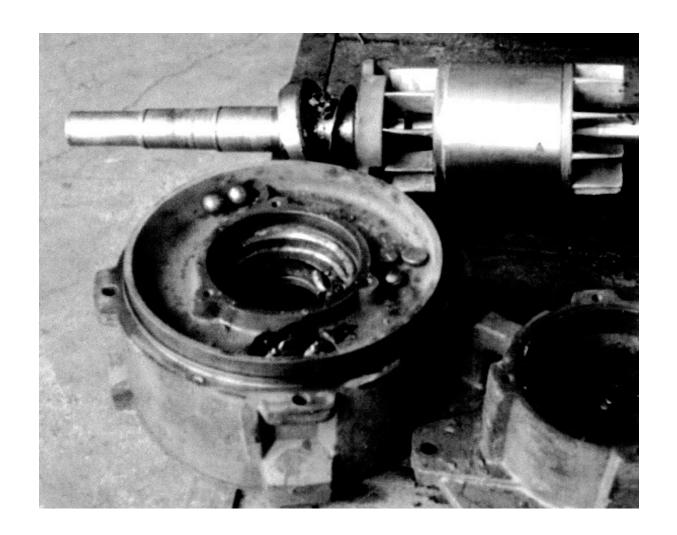
# Amplifier Effects – Looseness Bearing Journal







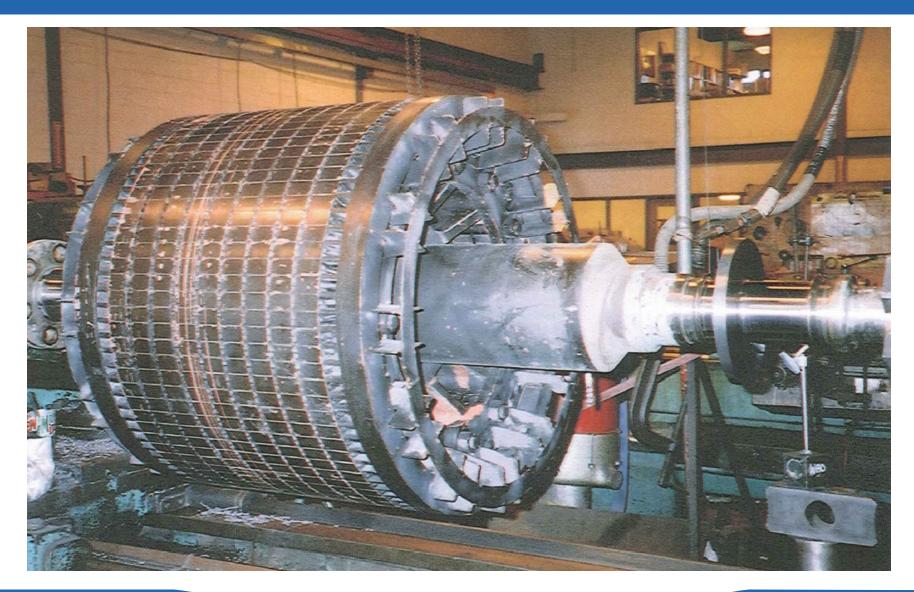
# **Amplifier Effects – Looseness Bearing Housing**







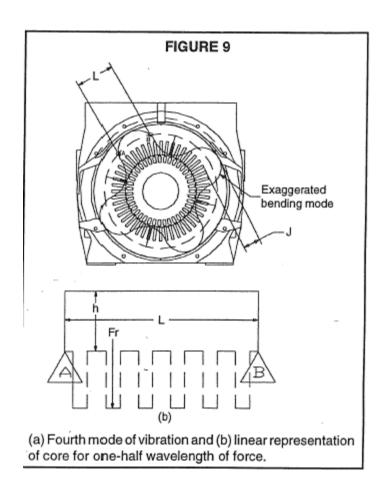
#### **Rotor and Sleeve Journal**







#### **Amplifier Effects - Looseness - Stator Core**

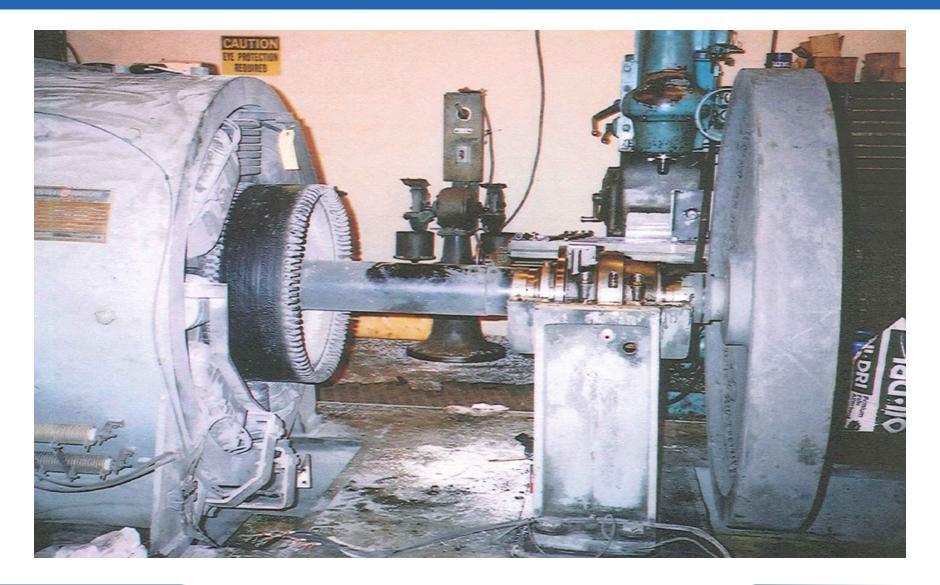


$$L = \frac{\pi D_s}{2M}$$





#### **Amplifier Effects - Looseness - Pedestal**



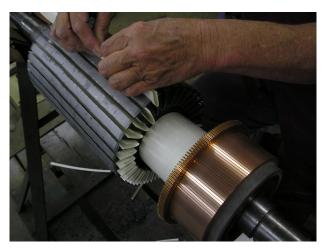


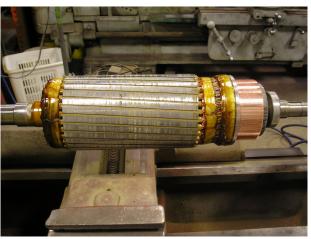


# **Armature Winding**













#### **Inside Out Motor**









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