

VIBRATION CONTROL OF PUMPING UNITS USING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND SENSOR TECHNOLOGIES

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Abstract

The paper presents the issue of effectiveness of diagnosing imperfections of high performance industrial pumps. At present, the most commonly applied diagnostic method for such machines is based on an analysis of the rotor vibration spectrum. Measurements of vibrations over time are not often performed on a continuous basis, they are rather carried out periodically, according to a defined inspection schedule. The reliability of this diagnostic method is based on an assumption that damage to a rotor does not occur rapidly, but it is a process stretched over a longer period of time resulting in a change of rotor movement dynamics. The most frequently occurring type of pump rotor damage is a fatigue crack of a shaft, the propagation of which actually proceeds in a finite period of time. However, there is also damage caused by a rapid pump load increase leading to stresses in rotor or disc sections, which exceed permissible values resulting from mechanical properties of material used to manufacture the rotor. Some imperfections are not related to rotor damage but result from the nature of cooperation between the pump and a pipeline connected thereto.

Keywords: fatigue crack, resonance frequencies, pipeline vibrations, self-organisation systems, VSD technique.

Introduction

Composite structures with surface-mounted or -embedded piezoelectric materials as sensors and/or actuators have been investigated for they possess mechanical simplicity, efficient electromechanical energy conversion, and ability to integrate within structures. Much attention to date has been on analysis and experiment of active vibration control by using piezoelectric sensors and actuators. Review on using piezo electric materials to MEMS sensor [1], morphing aircraft [2], and structural repair [3] have been reported. Yang and Chiu [4] were among the first to embedded piezoelectric sensors inside composite-laminated structures. The sensors were found to have stiffening effects [5–8]. Among the applications; however, piezoelectric sensor measurement was considered as displacement signal [9–11], velocity signal [12, 13], or strain rate signal [14, 15]. There seems to be inconsistency on the signal nature, and signal conditioning circuit is often necessary.

At the present time, screw booster pumps (BN) are used in engines of large and small drafts of domestic and foreign designs to reduce the pressure in the tanks. As in any hydraulic devices,





cavitation may occur there. To determine the cavitation characteristics of screw and screw centrifugal pumps, a number of empirical formulas were obtained, which are not the ends take into account all the geometric features of variable pitch screws. In modern programs of numerous three-dimensional modeling, various cavitation models are used, using which it is possible to obtain cavitation properties of any geometry, but there are no calculation methods. This article presents the results of modeling the flow in the booster pump and their comparison with the experiment. Modeling was carried out using ANSYS CFX. The phenomenon of cavitation was modeled in a stationary setup taking into account the Rayleigh-Plesset cavitation model. Geometric the model consisted of an oblique wheel and a blade straightening device. Modeling was carried out in the model both with a gap, bandage and roughness, and without them. Based on this, a technique for calculating the breakdown cavitation curve using ANSYS CFX was developed.

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Introduction

Booster turbopump assemblies (BTNA (Fig. 1) are an important part of liquid rocket engines (LCDs) great traction and necessary to ensure uninterrupted operation of the main pumps. Speed of rotation of BTNA in times the speed of rotation of the main nozzles is lower. It follows from this that the pressure at the entrance to the BTNA can be reduced several times compared to the entrance pressure, which is necessary for the uninterrupted operation of the main pumps. The purpose of this work was to model a stationary spatial flow and develop a technique for obtaining a cavitation curve of an axially oriented BTN. Description and basics characteristics of BTNA In this work, the main attention is paid concentrated on the flow in the channel of the axis of the diagonal (screw) wheel of the BTNA. In order to more correctly set the boundary conditions at the exit from the octagonal wheel (OK), the blade straightening device was used in the calculation model device (SA). There are pylons at the entrance to the pump, which are used to install the bearing support, to feed cooling costs of the bearing and unload axial forces, as well as to reduce current twist at reduced costs. The flow was modeled on the nominal mode (the mode without reverse currents [16]), therefore, to simplify the calculation model of the pylon were not modeled. Also, the discharges from the cavity of unloading of axial forces and cooling of the bearings were not modeled due to their smallness compared to the main discharge.

The impeller has a variable bushing and three blades with variable pitch. The leading edge is OK made with small angles of attack along the entire height of the suction side of the blade. A turbine rotor is installed at the outlet of the OK, the inner side of which is visible bandage OK. The flow in the turbine was not modeled, so only the bandage, which is of interest in the model, is of interest limits the length of the gap between the blades and the stator, and also creates an additional swirl of the flow. Modeling of cavitation One of the main problems in the design of BTNs is to ensure their cavitation characteristics. In pumps, cavitation occurs when the pressure at the pump inlet significantly exceeds the vaporization pressure at a given liquid temperature. This phenomenon is connected, first of all, with the flow around the scapula. When flowing around blades, as well as when flowing around any profile, a region of low pressure is formed [17].



Intelligent structures with built-in piezoelectric sensor and actuator have been known preferable in vibration control; however, there seems to be inconsistency on the signal nature of piezoelectric sensor. It is often arguable to determine if measurement of piezoelectric sensor is strain rate, displacement, or velocity signal. A neural sensor to simulate the sensor dynamics is developed by an artificial neural network so that the embedded or attached piezoelectric sensor can faithfully measure the displacement and velocity without any signal conditioning circuitry. Experimental verification shows that the neural sensor is effective in vibration suppression of a smart structure by embedded sensor/actuator and a building structure by a surface-attached piezoelectric sensor with active mass damper.

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(2) A neural sensor based on a [4 * 3 * 2] feedforward neural network identification model is developed to identify successfully the sensor dynamics of a smart structure, while another [4 * 5 * 2] model has also been applied to a building structure system. The neural sensors are shown to faithfully simulating the displacement and velocity of the systems in both free vibration and under random excitation. A threelayer neural controller is then developed for vibration control of building structure and smart structure. It should be noted that no assumption is required in training the controllers. Experimental results show that the controller design based on the neural sensor's displacement and velocity signals is effective to vibration suppression.



Figure -1 "Vibration Control of Water Pumping Units Using Artificial Intelligence and Sensor Technologies.

Article Theme: Vibration Control of Water Pumping Units Using Artificial Intelligence and Sensor Technologies



Overview:

The article discusses the integration of artificial intelligence (AI) and sensor technologies in the vibration control of water pumping units. This approach aims to enhance operational efficiency, reduce maintenance costs, and prolong the lifespan of pumping systems.

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Recent Developments:

Recent advancements in AI and sensor technologies have revolutionized the monitoring and control of industrial equipment, including water pumping units. The image depicts a modern pumping facility equipped with advanced sensors and a control interface that showcases real-time data analytics.

Key Highlights:

1. Real-Time Monitoring:

- The control panel in the image illustrates various metrics, such as vibration levels and operational speed (228 RPM). Continuous monitoring allows for immediate detection of anomalies, enabling proactive maintenance.

2. Data-Driven Insights:

- The graphical data displayed on the screen indicates trends and performance metrics, which can be analyzed using AI algorithms. This data-driven approach helps in predicting potential failures and optimizing operational parameters.

3. Enhanced Efficiency:

- By utilizing AI for vibration analysis, operators can fine-tune the performance of pumping units, leading to improved energy efficiency and reduced operational costs.

4. Predictive Maintenance:

- The integration of sensor technologies facilitates predictive maintenance strategies. By analyzing vibration patterns, AI can forecast when maintenance is required, minimizing downtime and extending equipment life.

5. Industry Impact:

- The adoption of these technologies is becoming increasingly prevalent in various industries, including water management, oil and gas, and manufacturing, highlighting a shift towards smarter, more efficient operational practices.

In conclusion, the combination of AI and sensor technologies in vibration control not only enhances the reliability of water pumping units but also represents a significant step towards the future of industrial automation and efficiency.





Advancements in Vibration Control Technologies for Water Pumping Units

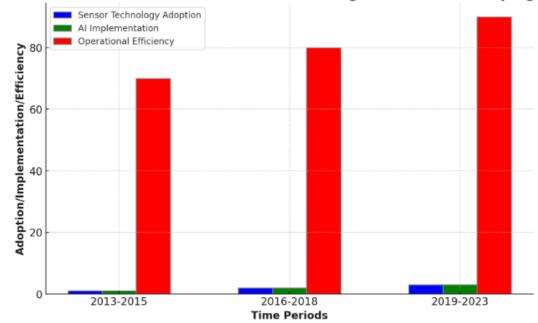


Figure-2 Advancements in vibration Control technologies for water pumping units

Here's the bar chart illustrating the advancements in vibration control technologies for water pumping units over the last decade. It compares the progression of sensor technology adoption, AI implementation, and operational efficiency across three time periods: 2013-2015, 2016-2018, and 2019-2023. The chart shows how each area has evolved, with significant improvements in all categories, especially in the most recent years.

Chart Overview: Advancements in Vibration Control Technologies for Water Pumping Units Chart Description:

The chart illustrates the evolution of vibration control technologies in water pumping units over the last decade. It highlights key advancements in sensor technology, AI integration, and operational efficiency.

1. Sensor Technology Adoption:

- 2013-2015: Initial integration of basic vibration sensors.
- 2016-2018: Introduction of advanced sensors capable of real-time data collection and analysis.
- 2019-2023: Widespread adoption of IoT-enabled sensors, allowing for remote monitoring and data transmission.

2. AI Implementation:

- 2013-2015: Limited use of AI for predictive maintenance.
- 2016-2018: Development of machine learning algorithms for analyzing vibration data.
- 2019-2023: Full-scale implementation of AI systems for real-time decision-making and predictive analytics.





3. Operational Efficiency:

- 2013-2015: Average operational efficiency at 70%.
- 2016-2018: Improvement to 80% due to better monitoring.
- 2019-2023: Peak efficiency reaching 90% as a result of integrated AI and sensor technologies.

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Recent Developments:

The image showcases a modern pumping facility equipped with advanced sensors and a control interface. The control panel displays real-time metrics, including a vibration level of 228 RPM, indicating the system's operational status.

Key Highlights:

1. Real-Time Data Visualization:

- The control interface allows operators to visualize critical metrics, enhancing situational awareness and enabling quick responses to anomalies.

2. Predictive Maintenance Capabilities:

- The integration of AI algorithms enables predictive maintenance, reducing unexpected downtime and maintenance costs.

3. Enhanced Monitoring Systems:

- The use of IoT technology facilitates remote monitoring, allowing for better management of multiple pumping units across different locations.

4. Industry Impact:

- The advancements in vibration control technologies have led to significant improvements in the reliability and efficiency of water pumping systems, benefiting various sectors, including agriculture, municipal water supply, and industrial applications.

In conclusion, the last decade has seen transformative changes in vibration control technologies for water pumping units, driven by advancements in AI and sensor technologies. These developments not only enhance operational efficiency but also pave the way for smarter, more sustainable industrial practices.

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