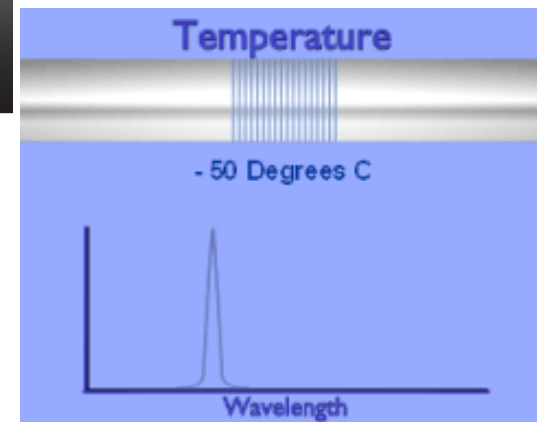
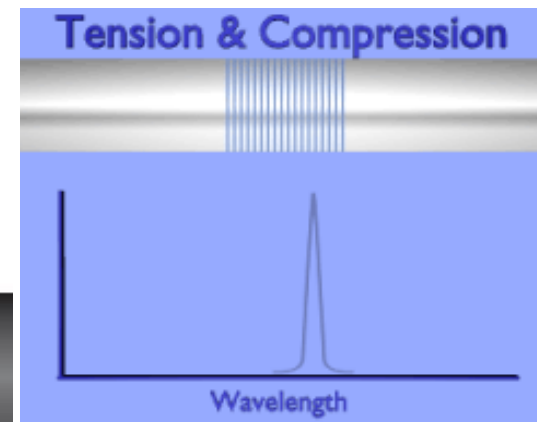
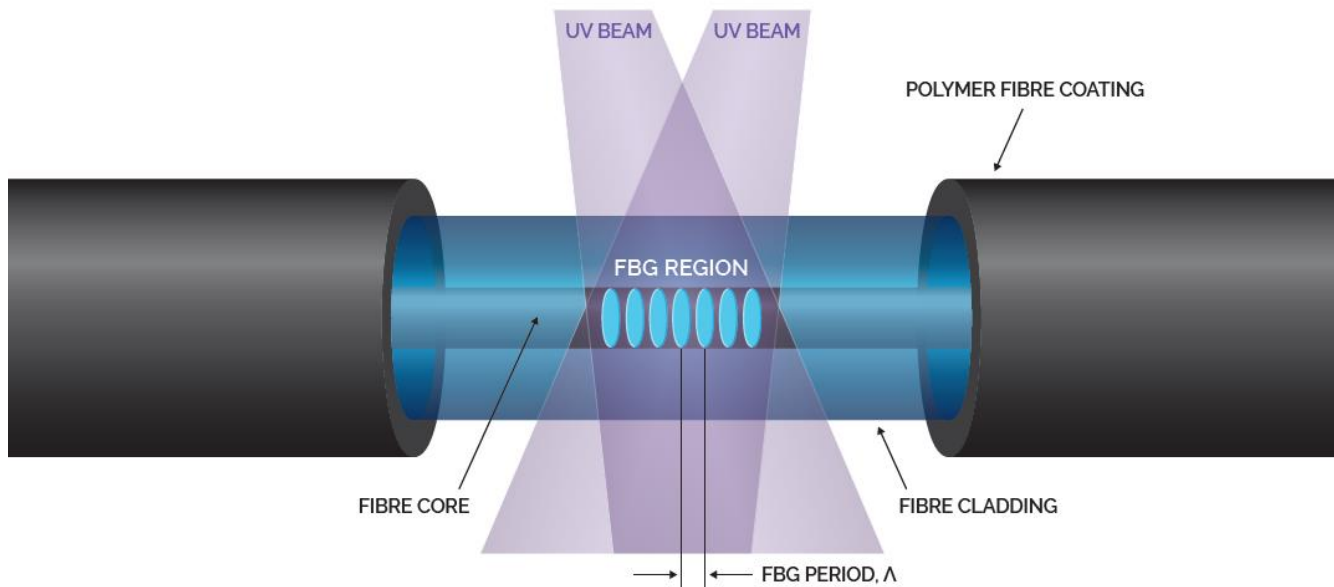


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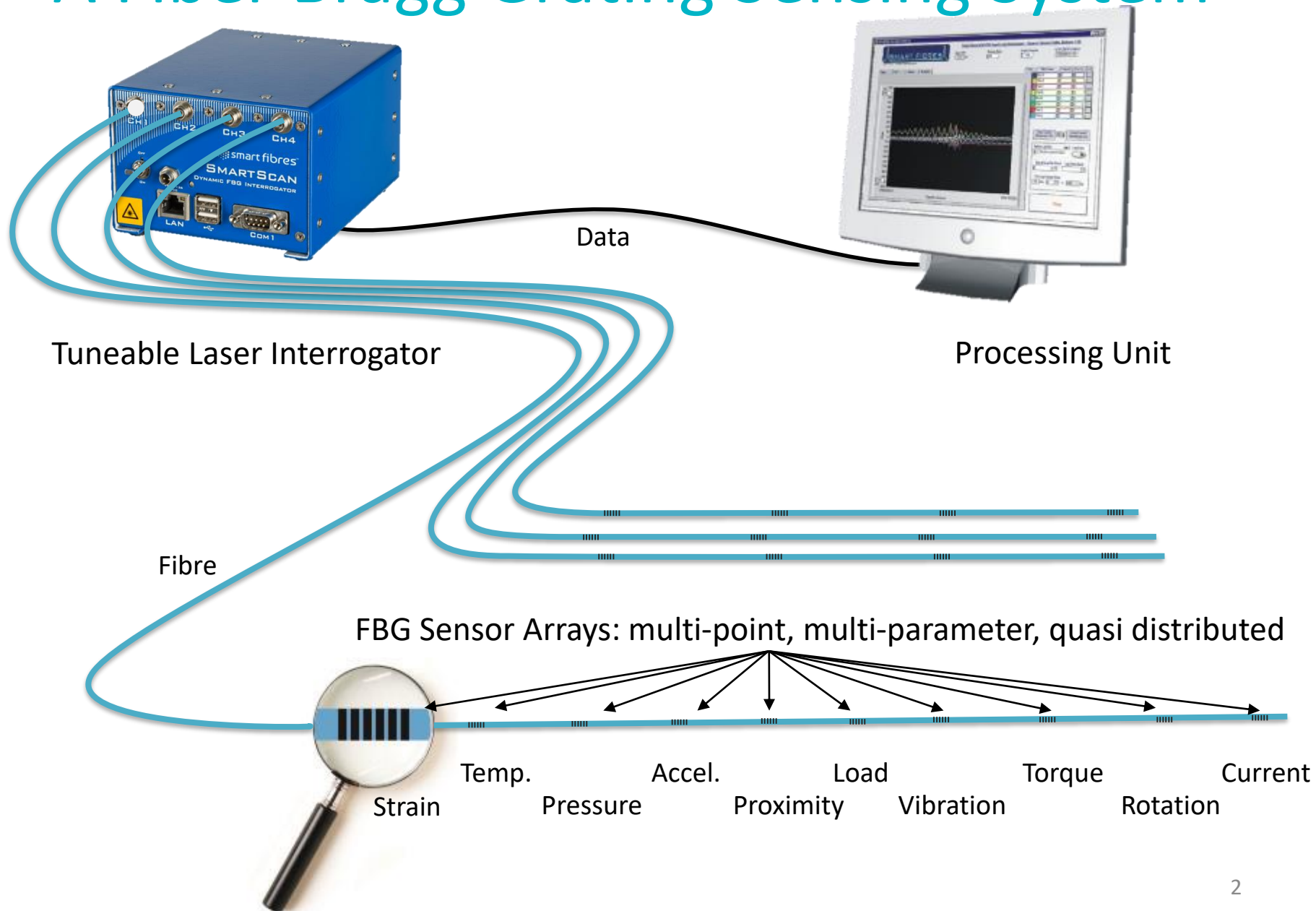
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# The Fibre Bragg Grating (FBG)

- A point fiber optic sensor that reflects light
- Recorded with UV laser light
- Reflected wavelength varies with strain and temperature



# A Fiber Bragg Grating Sensing System



# Pump condition monitoring case study



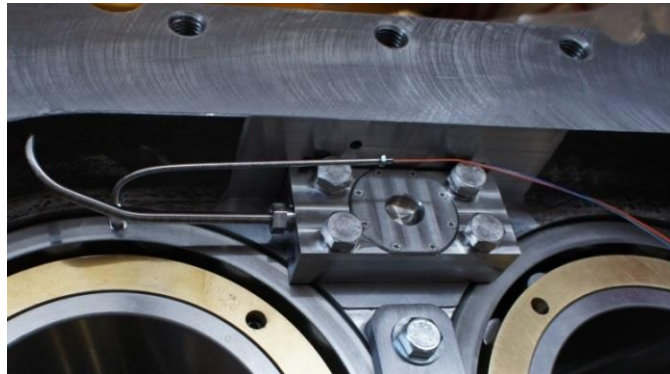
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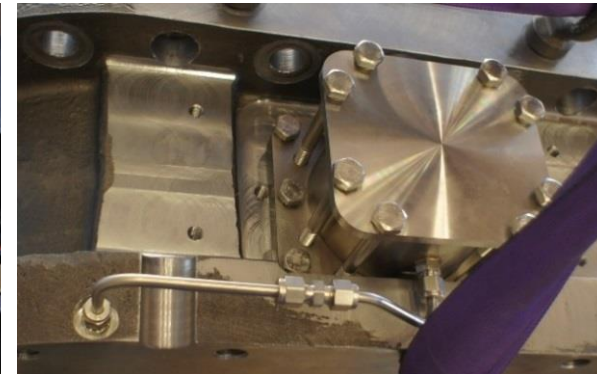
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Motor winding temperature



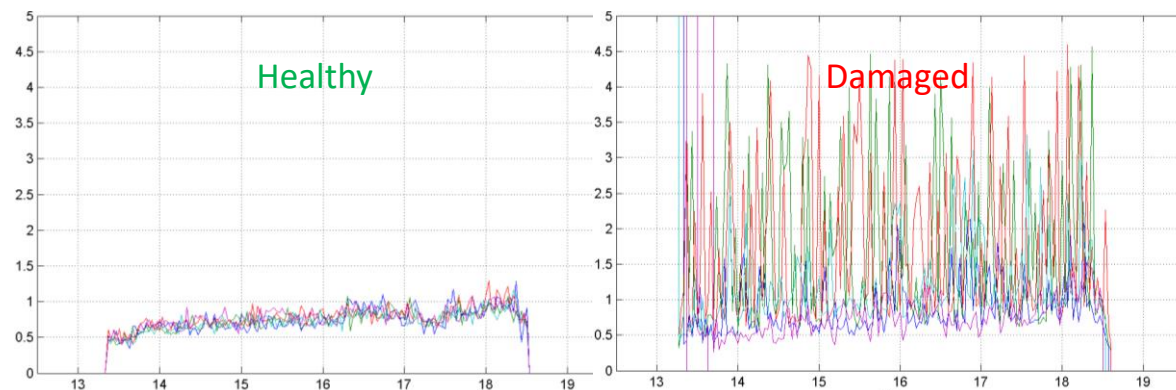
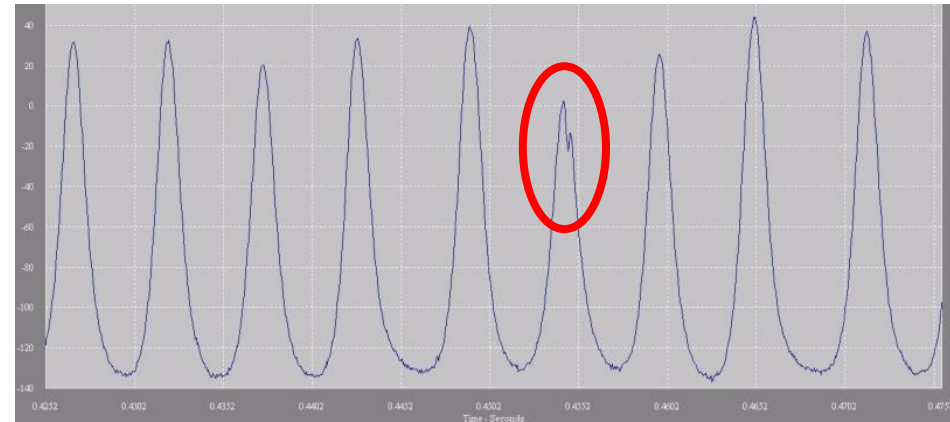
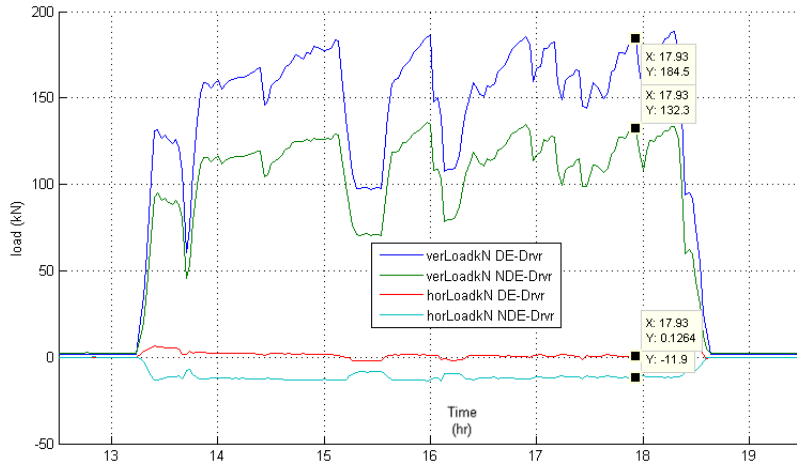
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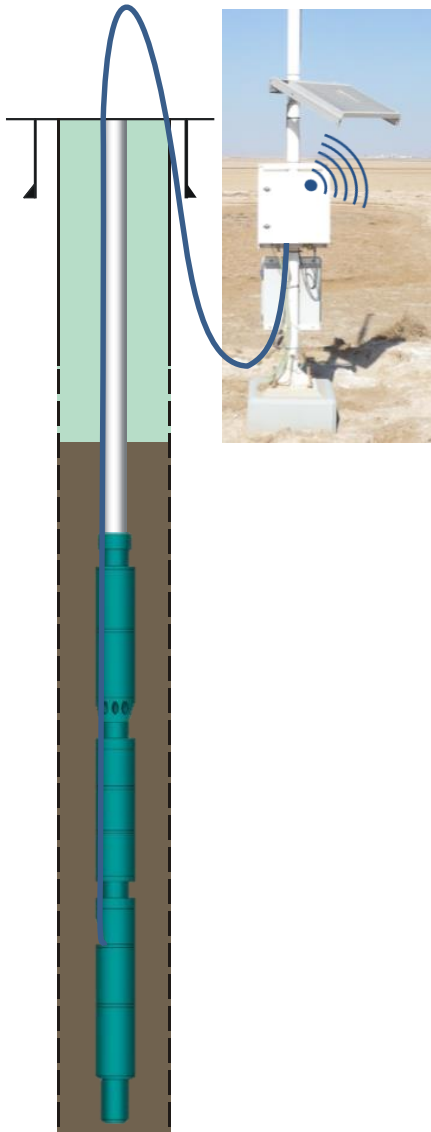
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# Why Monitor ESPs?

- Identify ESP faults as they develop
- Manage ESP deterioration with changes in operating parameters
- Keep ESP producing until a scheduled ESP exchange can be made

## Why use an FBG monitoring System?



FBG System Feature	Benefits for ESP Monitoring
Multiple measurands, single surface instrument	Fewer connections Simpler interface Lower cost
All optical data	Measurements immune to EMI Insensitive to cable impedance
Zero Power on fiber	ATEX certified for explosive environment use
No downhole electronics	Long survival in harsh environments i.e. monitoring system outlasts pump

# ESP Monitoring Potential

## Internal to ESP

### ➤ Motor winding temperature

- Motor oil temperature
- Motor oil pressure
- Motor current draw
- Radial bearing temperatures and loads
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*With loose tube FBG temperature sensors*



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*With diaphragm  
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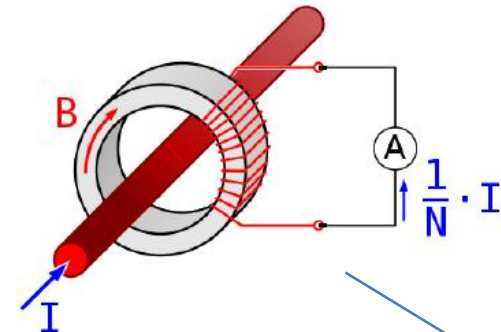
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*With FBGs measuring secondary current via temperature or magnetostrictive effect*



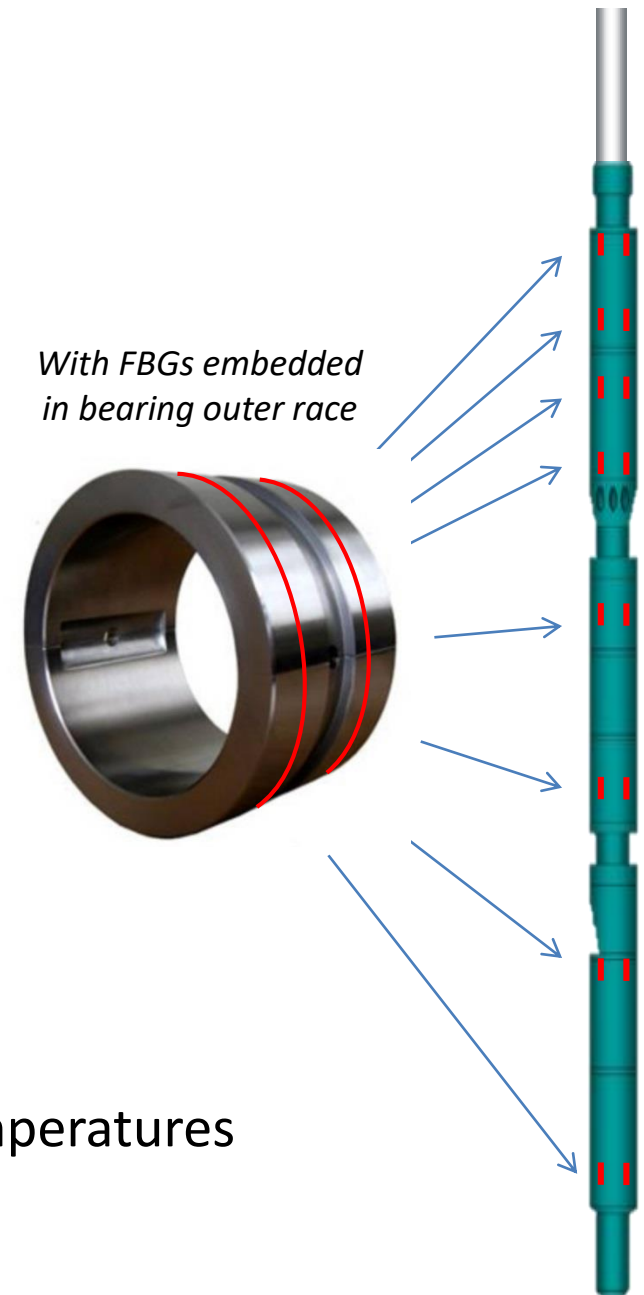
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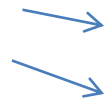
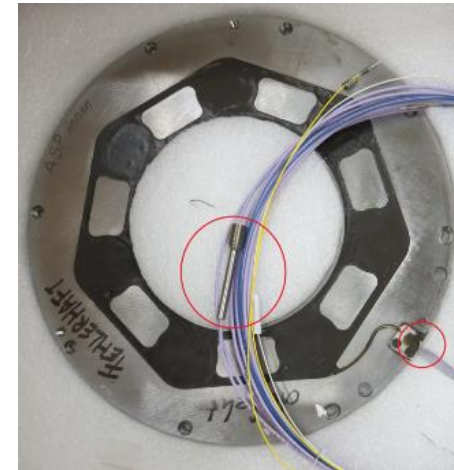
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*With strain FBGs on  
load bearing plate*



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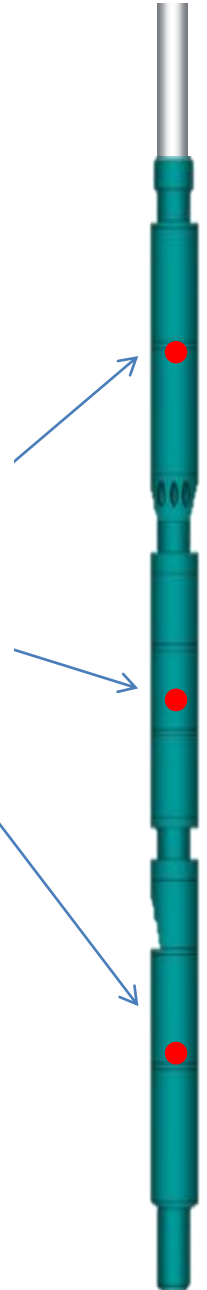
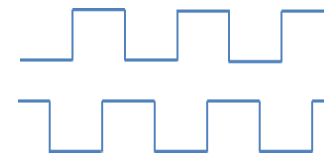
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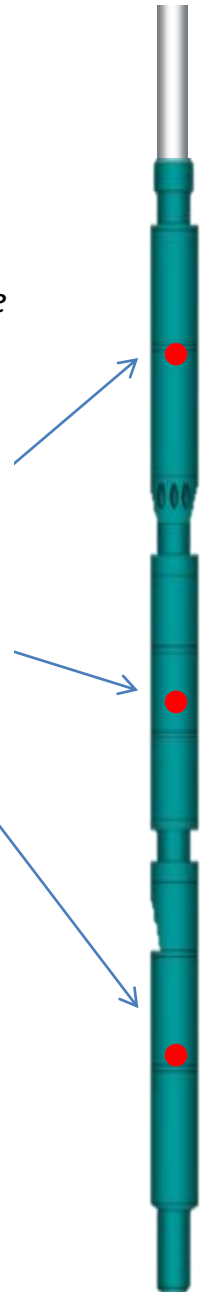
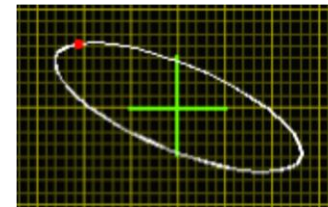
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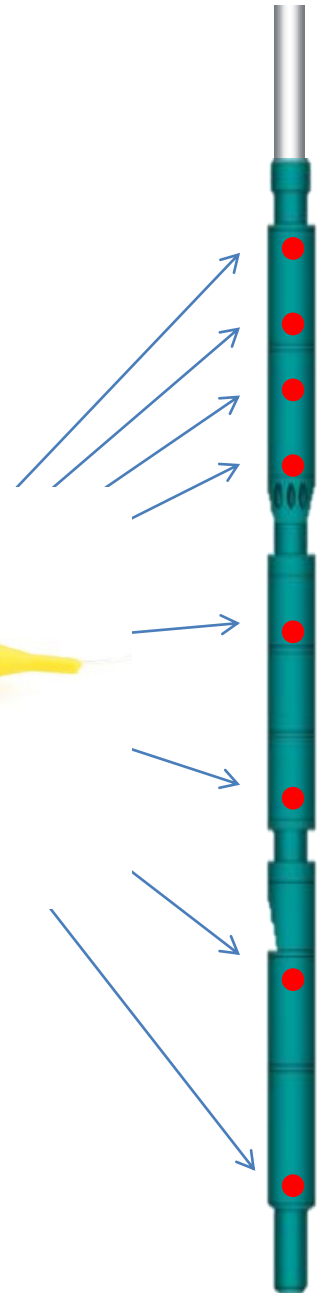
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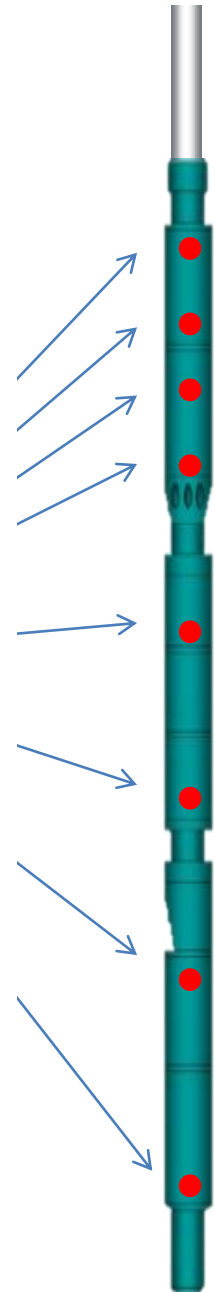
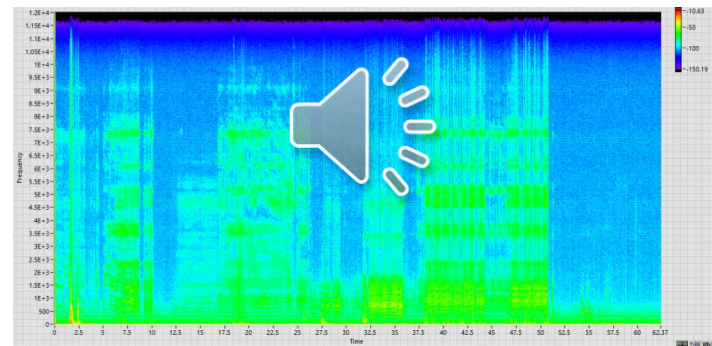
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*With quasi-distributed acoustic sensing (QDAS)*



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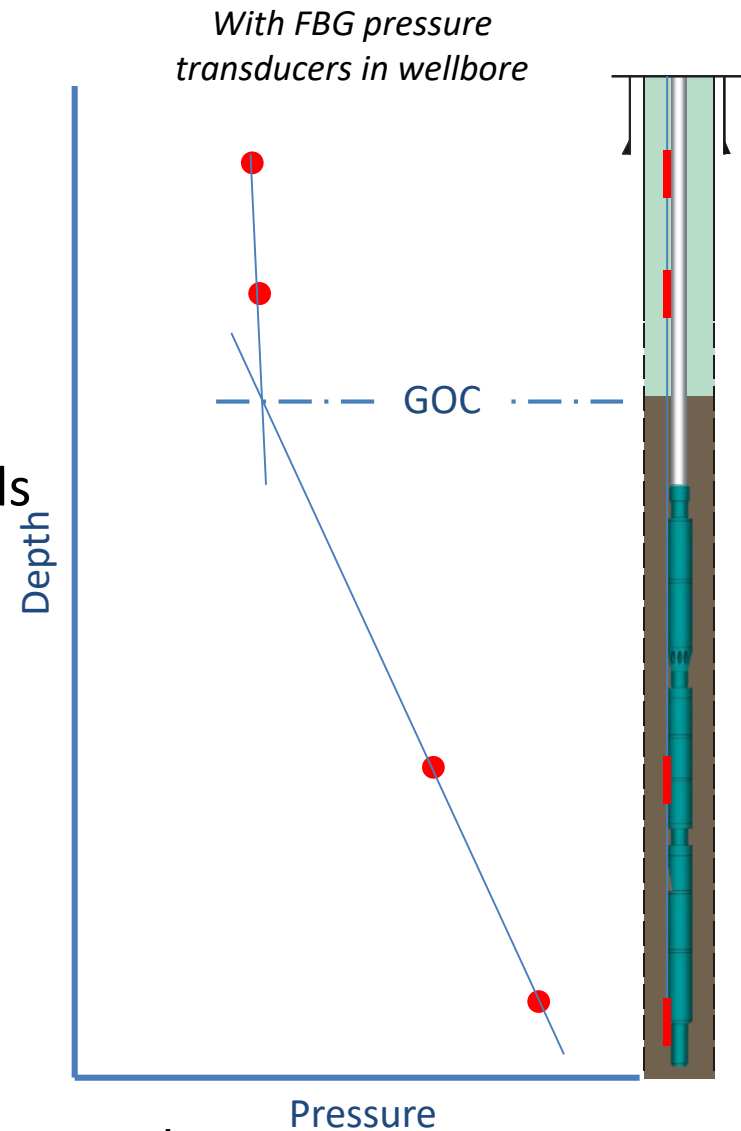
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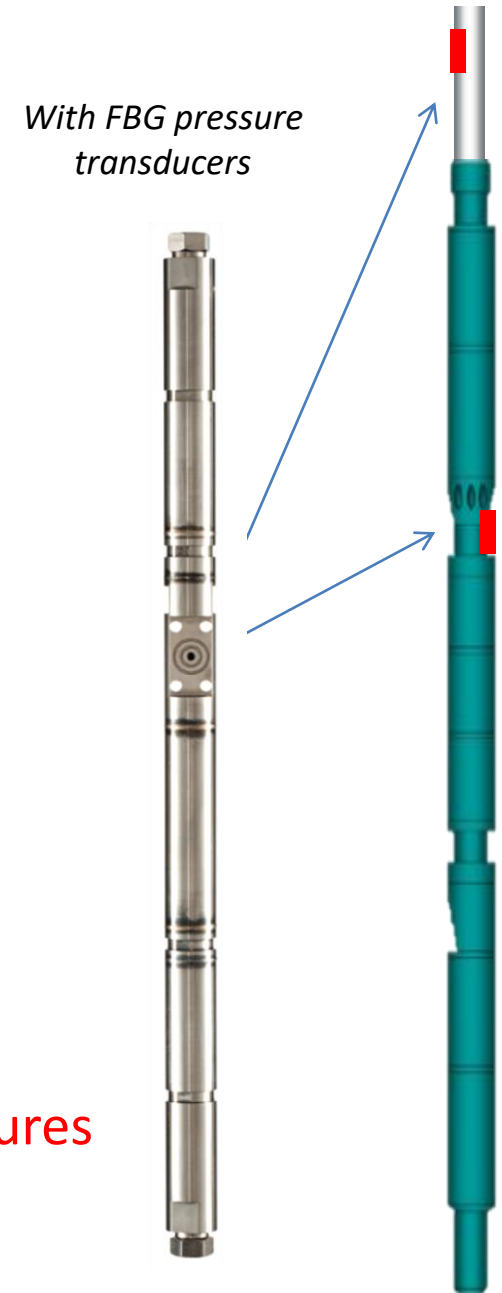
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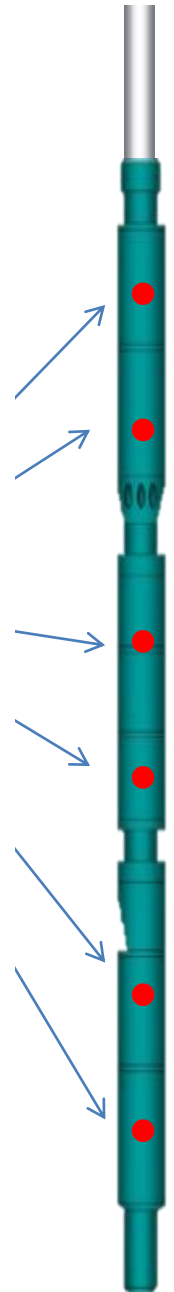
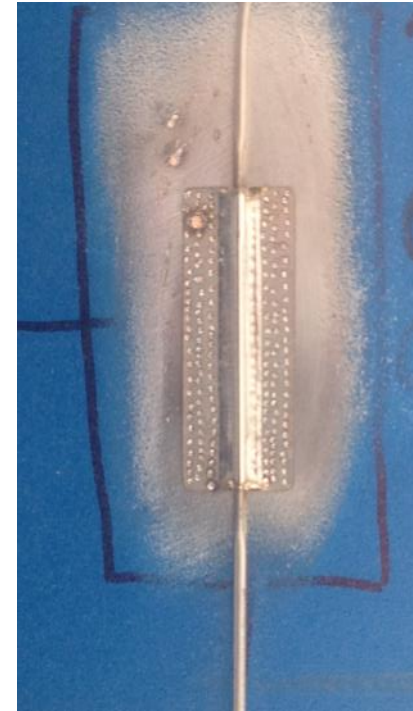
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➤ **Motor casing strain**

*With weldable FBG strain gauges*



# Conclusion

All the component parts exists to develop a fully integrated, multi-parameter ESP condition monitoring system using optical fiber Bragg grating technology

## Thank You



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