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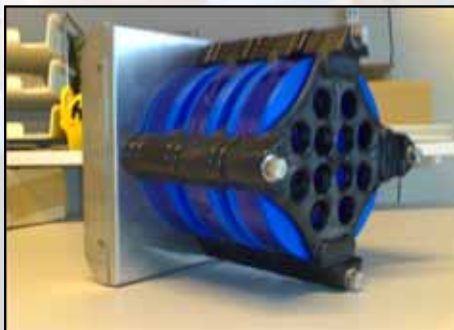
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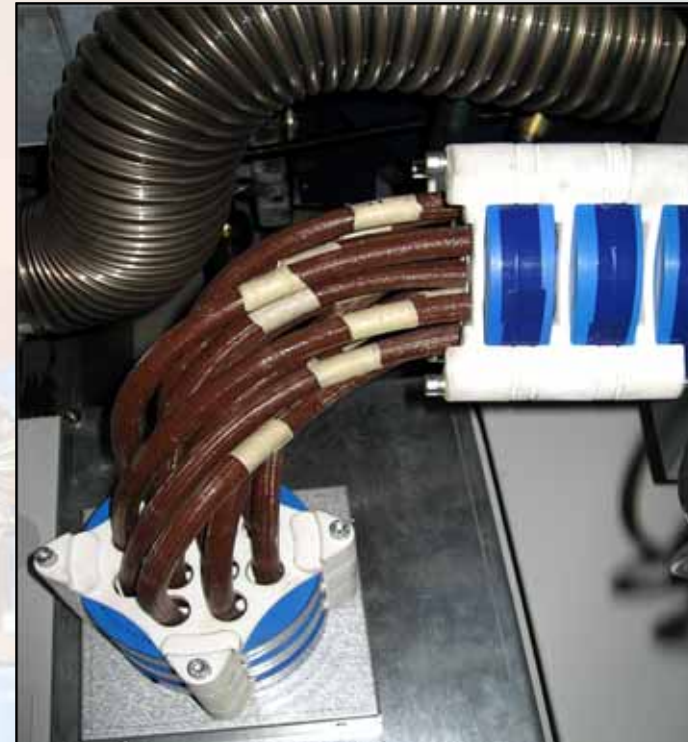
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## Application 1: Wind Turbines in the MW range



Typical set  
of cores with  
cable fittings



Mounting example of absorber  
cores as part of the DFIG

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## Application 2: big Inverters for Photovoltaic Power Plants



typical  
configuration of  
absorber cores in  
central PV inverter  
for 500kW

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## Application 3: big industrial Drives, e.g. Paper Industry



Positioning of absorber cores in a 250kW paper producing machine

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## What is the Problem?

Reduced lifetime or early failures due to destroyed shaft bearings of motors or generators create increased maintenance spendings or even costly downtimes due to bearing damages



1 MW asynchronous generator



shaft of rotor

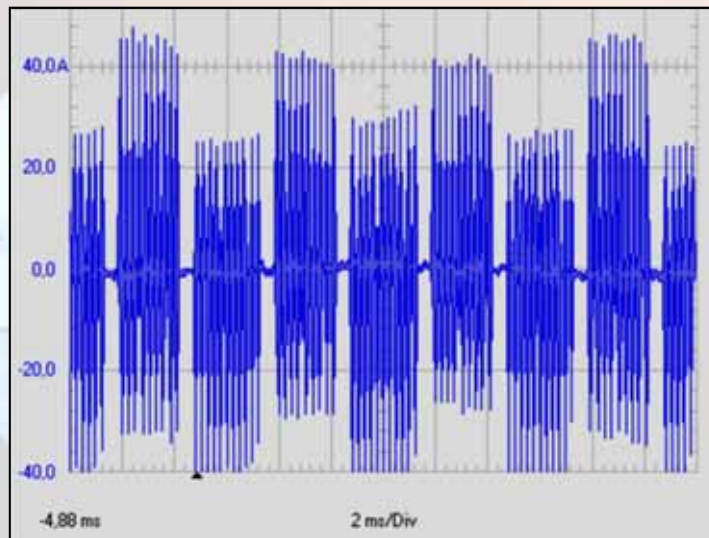


erosion damage

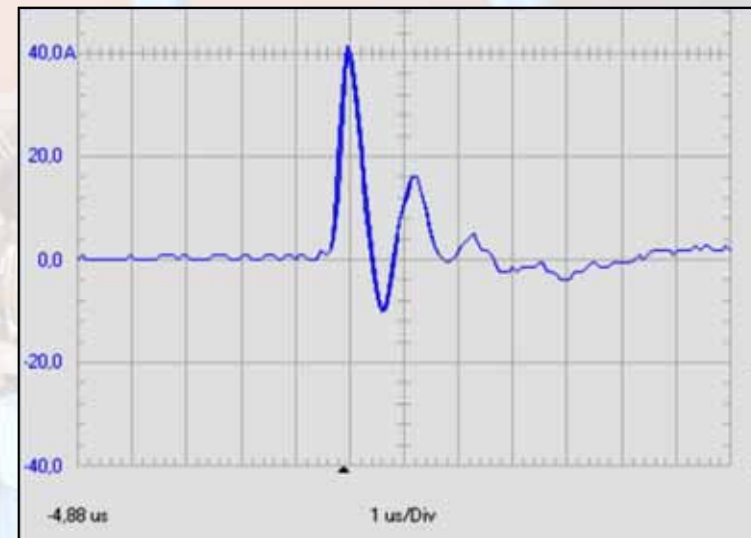
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## What causes the Problem?

Modern IGBT inverters create unwanted destructive radio frequency common mode bearing/shaft currents  $I_{CM}$   
typical example below:  $I_{CM} = 40 \text{ A (!)}$  ,  $f_{typ} \sim 1 \dots 5 \text{ MHz}$



shaft common mode current  $I_{CM}$



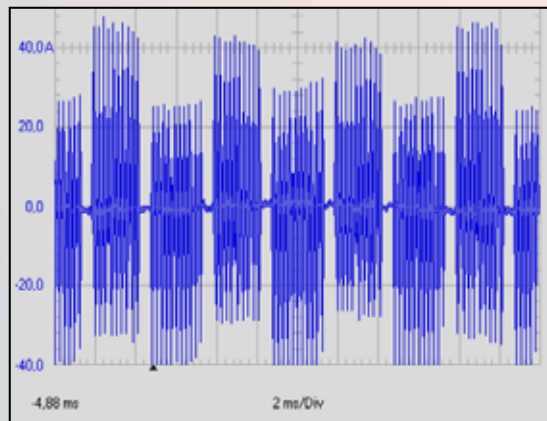
high frequency high current pulse

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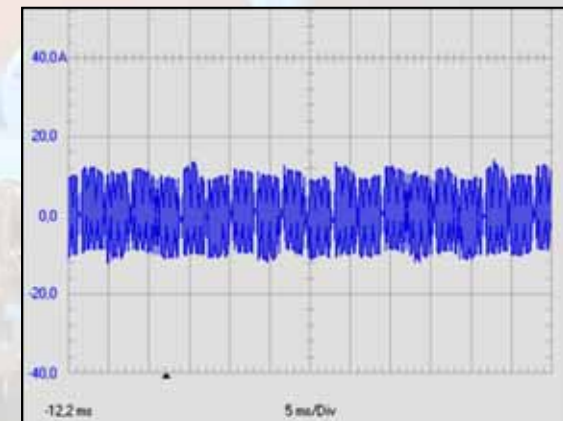
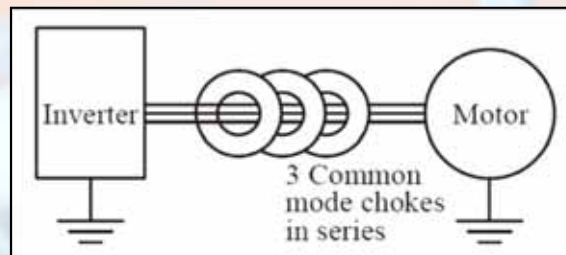
## What solves the Problem?

Eliminate the root cause of the destructive radio frequency common mode currents by pulling **Cool Blue**<sup>®</sup> softmagnetic cores commonly over the motor cables as shown below



**without** filter cores

$$I_{CM} = \text{up to } 40\text{A}$$



**with** filter cores

$$I_{CM} \sim 10\text{A}$$

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## Which solution to the Problem?

In the given configuration **Cool Blue**<sup>®</sup> softmagnetic cores work as a single turn common mode suppression choke. They do not affect the symmetrical power currents but efficiently damp the asymmetrical radio frequency noise currents.

**Cool Blue**<sup>®</sup> softmagnetic cores are superior to other softmagnetic materials like ferrites because of significant advantages concerning their magnetic properties. As a consequence only about 20% of 'magnetic mass' is required – i.e. a significantly reduced number of cores is suitable.

An alternative solution is provided by costly ceramic hybrid bearings but those are much more expensive and limited in size.

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## How to approach a concrete Solution? - **option 1** -

- 1) measuring of the common mode shaft current  $I_{CM}$
- 2) select a set of suitable standard **Cool Blue**<sup>®</sup> cores
- 3) install the cores as shown at pg.8 and repeat the measurement

Type	Abmessungen/Dimensions		$l_{fe}$ [cm]	$a_{fe}$ [cm <sup>2</sup> ]	$A_L$ @ 10kHz [μH]	Peak $I_{CM}$ [A]	Web-shop
	nominal $d_a \times d_i \times h$	[mm] physical $D_a \times D_i \times H$					
<b>M-112</b>	63 x 50 x 30	68 x 43 x 36	17,7	1,4	23,3 - 46,6	4	
<b>M-113</b>	80 x 63 x 30	85 x 57 x 35,5	22,4	1,9	24,1 - 48,2	6	
<b>M-283</b>	80 x 63 x 30	OVAL	22,4	2,0	24,1 - 48,2	6	
<b>M-114</b>	100 x 80 x 30	105 x 75 x 35	28,2	2,3	22,5 - 45,0	8	
<b>M-284</b>	100 x 80 x 30	OVAL	28,2	2,3	22,5 - 45,0	8	
<b>M-142</b>	130 x 100 x 20	OVAL	37,0	2,1	16,0 - 32,0	9	
<b>M-115</b>	130 x 100 x 30	135 x 94 x 34	35,9	3,3	24,6 - 52,9	9	
<b>M-116</b>	160 x 130 x 30	165 x 123 x 34	45,4	3,2	20,9 - 45,0	12	
<b>M-302</b>	160 x 130 x 30	OVAL	45,4	3,2	20,9 - 45,0	12	
<b>M-117</b>	200 x 175 x 30	208 x 166 x 37	58,8	2,8	12,3 - 24,6	16	
<b>M-111</b>	240 x 200 x 30	OVAL	69,6	4,3	14,5 - 29,9	20	
<b>M-248</b>	300 x 254 x 30	OVAL	87,1	5,2	15,8 - 31,5	22	
<b>M-205</b>	300 x 250 x 30	304 x 246 x 34	86,2	5,9	18,0 - 36,0	23	
<b>M-503</b>	500 x 450 x 30	513 x 437 x 37	149,1	5,6	8,0 - 20,0	40	



standard range of available cores

sets of stacked filter cores

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## How to approach a concrete Solution? - **option 2** -

According to 5 years experience with many hundreds of existing installations we recommend the following simple procedure:

1: select a set of suitable standard **Cool Blue®** cores according to the **necessary inner core diameter** to fit over inverter cables

2: use min. 2 cores per MW for **asynchronous DFIG systems**  
or

use up to 10 cores per MW for **synchronous generators with permanent magnetic excitation**

The cores should be located between Inverter and Generator

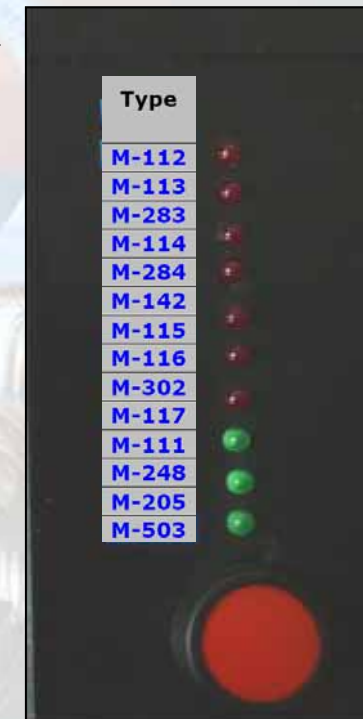
**Cool Blue®** cores can easily be retrofitted to existing installations

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**MAGS** is a simple tool for the measurement of  $I_{CM}$

MAGS 1.0 is a easy-to-use radio frequency Rogowski-type shaft current measuring device with a direct indication of the suitable **Cool Blue®** absorber core solution

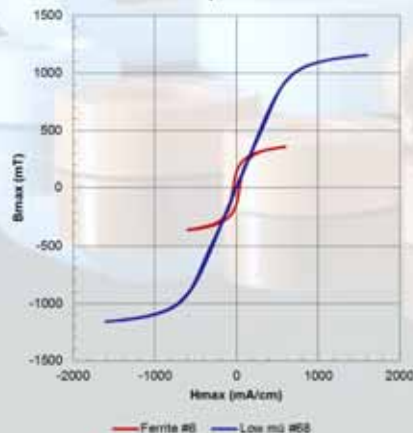


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## How does it work? **NANOPERM**<sup>®</sup> compared to **Ferrite**

alloy	permeability $\mu_r$ (10 / 100kHz)	saturation induction $B_s$ [T] (25 / 100°C)	Curie-temp. $T_c$ [°C]	working temp. $T_{max}$ [°C]
<b>Ferrite a</b>	15.000 / 12.000	0,38 / 0,21	>130	95
<b>Ferrite b</b>	10.000 / 10.000	0,38 / 0,23	>130	95
<b>NANOPERM</b> <sup>®</sup>	100.000 / 20.000 30.000 / 20.000 1.500.... 8.000	} 1,2 / 1,18	600	up to 180

Comparing B-H loops  
T=25°C  $\mu \sim 10000$

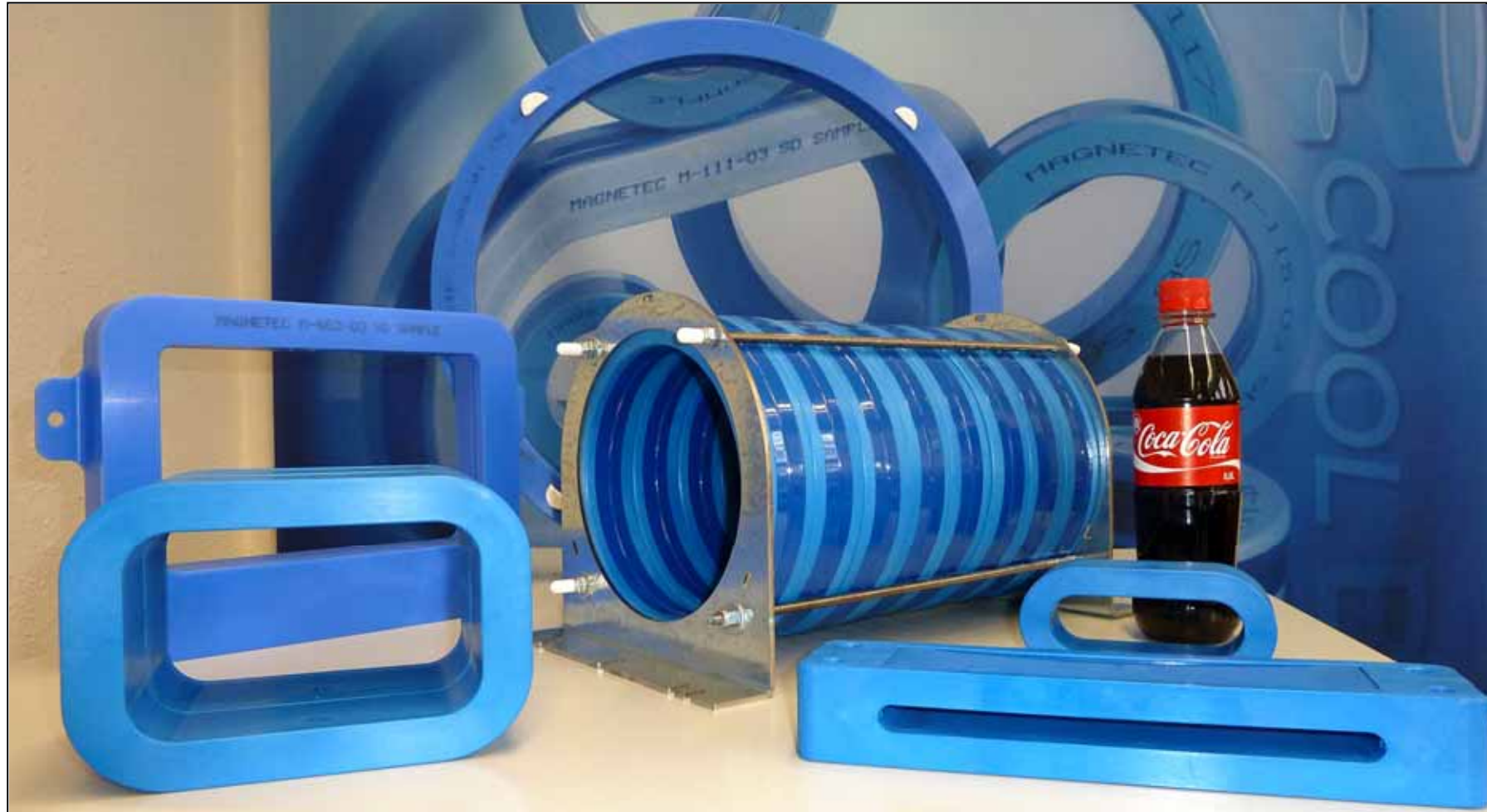


**Advantages of NANOPERM**<sup>®</sup> :

- higher **permeability** - up to a factor of 10 (!)
- higher **saturation induction** factor 3
- higher **linearity** of all parameters
- higher working **temperature** - up to 180°C (!)

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## Available geometries of **Cool Blue**<sup>®</sup> absorber cores



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## Availability of **Cool Blue**<sup>®</sup> absorber cores

**MAGNETEC**<sup>®</sup> is the **Manufacturer** of **Cool Blue**<sup>®</sup> cores.

Products are available from stock in Germany and they can be purchased online via our **Webshop** on

**[www.magnetec.de/shop](http://www.magnetec.de/shop)**

**Please visit our booth 432 here in Hall 12 for more information.**

**Thank you for your attention!**

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