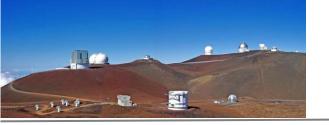


Domes & Shutters Preventative/Predictive Maintenance Tools John Baldwin W.M. Keck Observatory





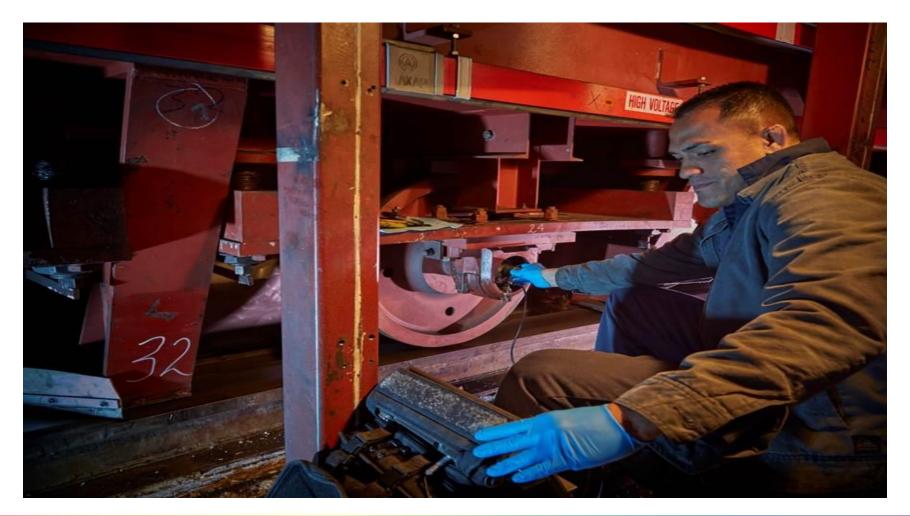


- Keck Observatory utilizes the following tooling to assist us in better maintenance practices:
 - KrautKramer Ultrasound
 - Flir E60 Infrared Camera
 - UE 10000 Ultrasonic Tool

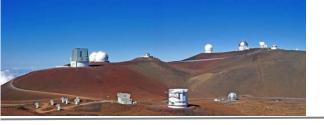




KrautKramer Ultrasound







KrautKramer Ultrasound

Approximately every 6 weeks all 42 bogie shafts in each dome are inspected with the KrautKramer Ultrasound tool.

- This tool tells us if a crack has begun, its depth, and how large it is.
- We archive this information and trend log cracks over time.
- Allows us to plan for replacement of Bogie Wheels before they fail



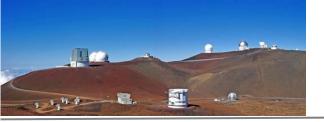


Flir E60 Infrared Camera





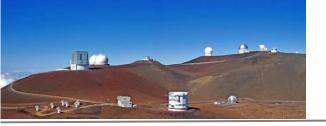




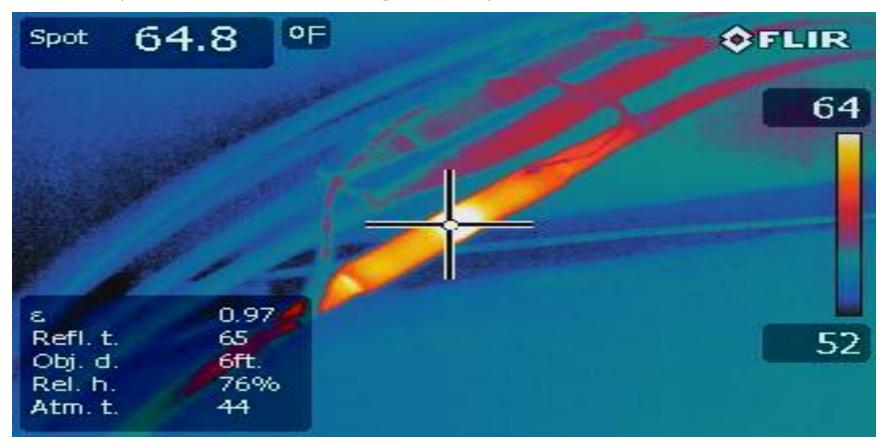
- The Flir camera has been an excellent tool for our electrical maintenance program.
 - Easily scan panels to look for hot spots
 - Safer for the electrician
 - Is more efficient than checking each circuit with a multi-meter
 - Can locate loose wires and connections
 - Can be used to scan facility equipment controls as well
 - Can detect serious electrical hazards within large voltage plant mains



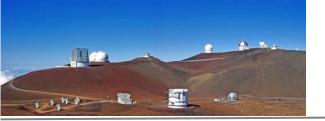




One phase of our building main splice is much warmer.



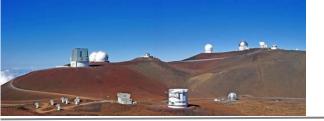




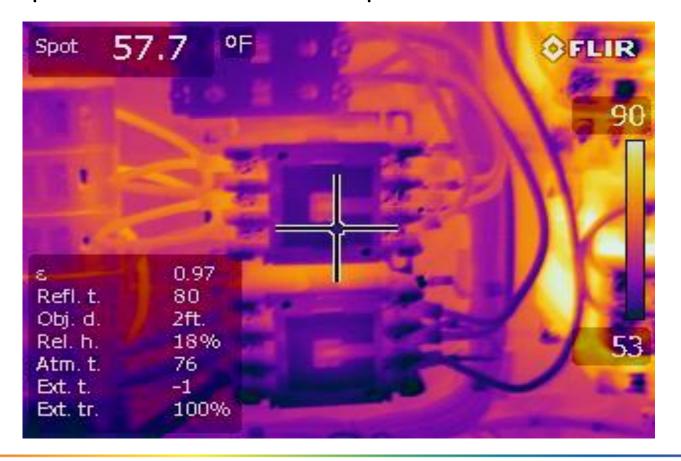
The brighter orange connections indicate a possible problem.



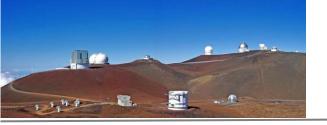




After repair all connections are equal in color

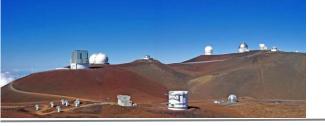








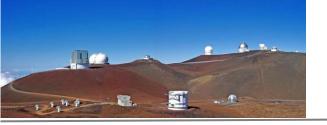


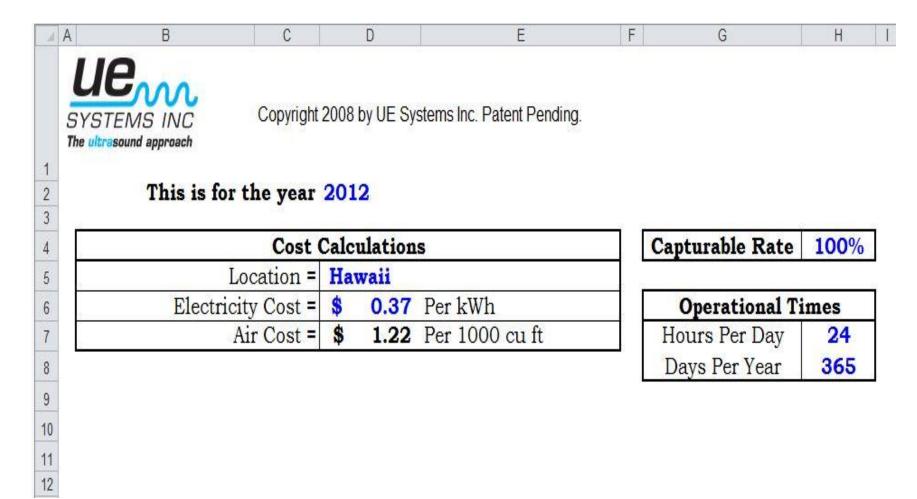


- The UE 10000 Ultrasonic tool is our newest addition to our maintenance program. Using airborne and structure borne ultrasound we can:
 - Can detect small compressed air leaks which otherwise would go undetected.
 - Can detect electrical issues such as corona, tracking, and arcing
 - Allows you to begin a world class lubrication program for bearings
 - Detect Vacuum leaks

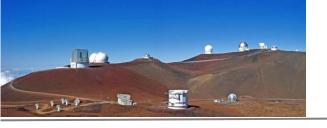


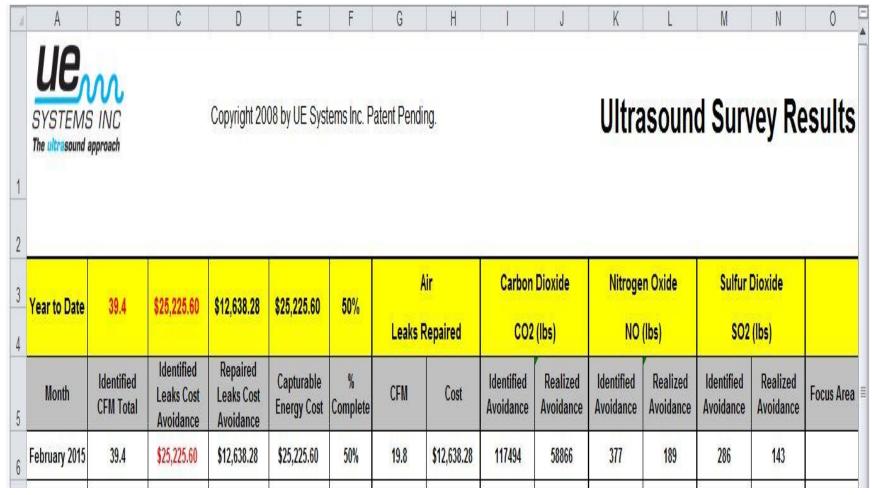


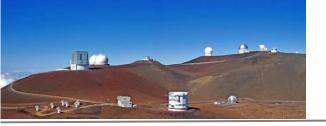






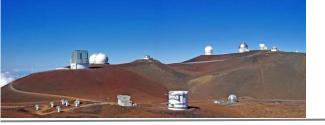




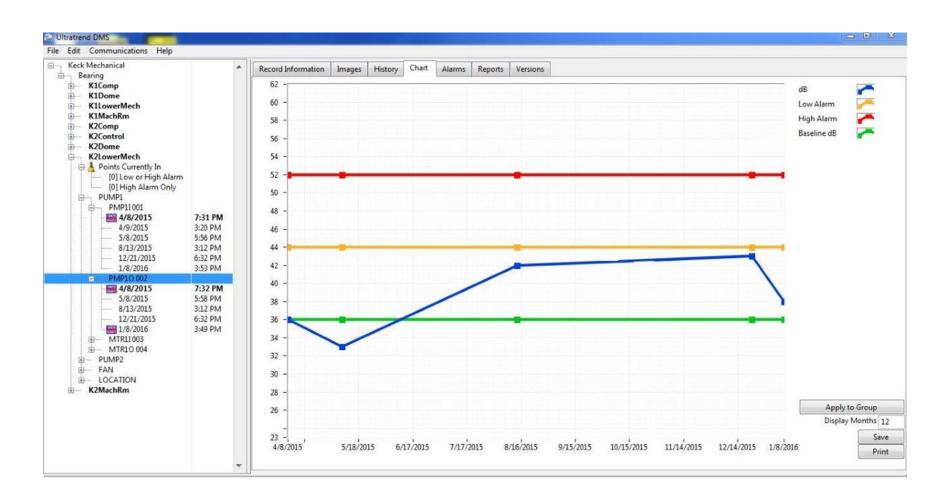


- Bearing lubrication. How much grease to use?
- Ultrasonic inspection reads a decibel level for each bearing tested.
- UE software, Ultratrend DMS, trend logs these readings and compares them to the original baseline.
- Once the bearing reads 8dB higher than its baseline its time to lubricate.
- Lubricate until the reading comes down to original baseline level.
- Slow moving bearings cannot utilize this trend log feature.





UE 10000, Ultratrend DMS Software





- Remote Access Sensors can be installed in hard to reach places.
- This removes the need for the technician to spend time taking readings.
- Safer for the technician as these can be installed in systems which would otherwise be dangerous for taking readings.
- Remote Ultrasonic Sensors allow for connection to a Building Automation System
 - These allow the system to read in real time and can alert the maintenance team of the need to lubricate



