

RBTS' 28th Annual Seminar

May 13-16, 2024, PENN STATE Great Valley, Malvern, Pennsylvania, USA

28th Annual Seminar & Short Course On **ROTOR DYNAMICS & BEARINGS TECHNOLOGIES** *Lateral & Torsional Vibration Analysis / Fluid-Film Bearings*

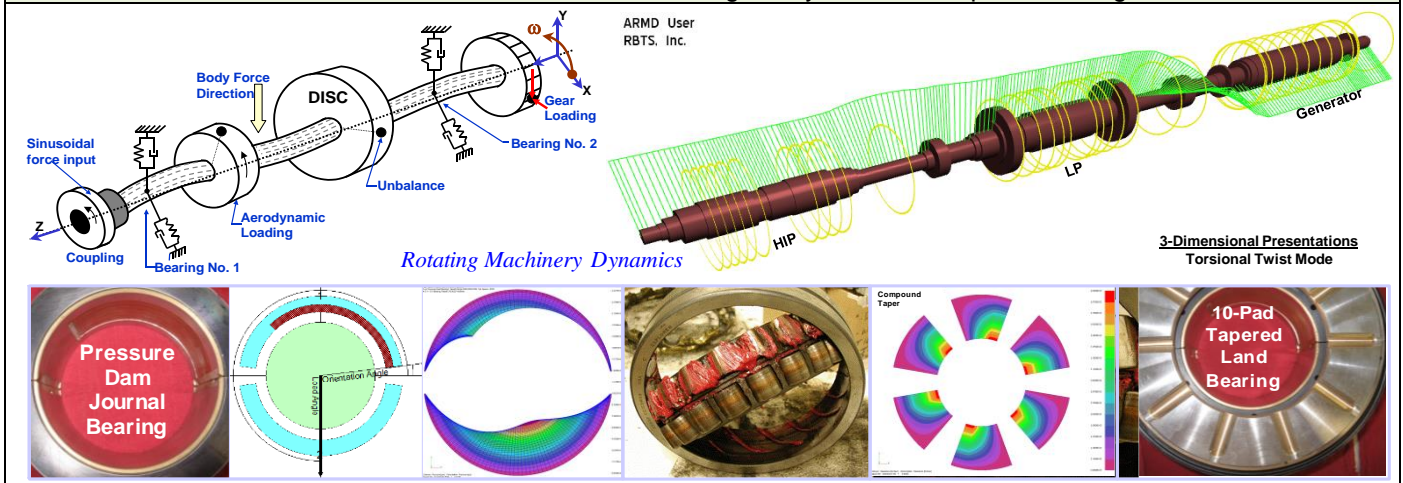
An in-person technology transfer seminar for engineers and technical managers involved in rotating machinery design, operation, maintenance, diagnosis, and troubleshooting, with emphasis on machinery **rotor dynamics**, drive train **torsional vibrations**, and **bearing systems (fluid-film)** that support, guide, and locate the rotating assembly. Detailed coverage of the field of fluid-film bearings and rotor dynamics includes the presentation of case histories and the application of advanced software for modeling, analyses, and troubleshooting real life bearing systems and vibration problems encountered in rotating equipment. *No previous experience is required.*

Flexible registration for any number of days

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- Day 1: **May 13, 2024** **FLUID-FILM BEARINGS**
- Day 2: **May 14, 2024** **ROTOR DYNAMICS Lateral Vibration**
- Day 3: **May 15, 2024** **TORSIONAL Vibration**

- Day 4: **May 16, 2024** **Workshop**
Advanced Rotating Machinery Dynamics "ARMD™" software demonstration, training and application to bearings, bearing systems, rotor dynamics and torsional vibration modeling, analyses and interpretation of generated results.



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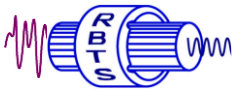
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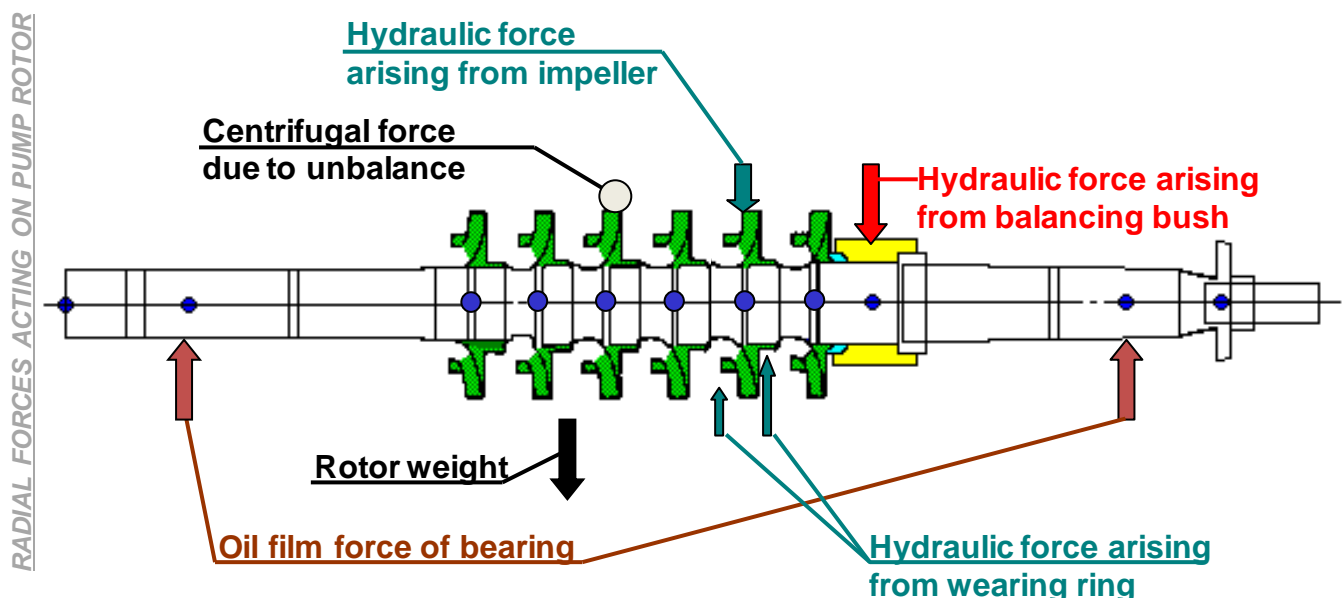
About The Course

This course is designed for engineers and technical managers who are involved in [rotating machinery design, operation, maintenance, diagnostics](#), and [troubleshooting](#), with emphasis on bearings and bearings systems, machinery [rotor dynamics](#), and drive train [torsional vibration](#).

The first session of the course will focus on bearings, the vital tribological element of rotating machinery, beginning with their fundamental principles of operation through computer-implemented evaluations of their operational performance characteristics and limitations. Design considerations and applications of fluid-film bearings will be discussed along with the presentation of numerous real life case histories to illustrate the technology and its application to rotating machinery failure analysis and troubleshooting of common, as well as, unique vibration problems. Following the fluid-film bearings, an introduction to rolling element bearings will be presented illustrating their various applications and their effects on system rotor dynamics.

The second and third sessions focuses on rotating machinery dynamics ([rotor dynamics & torsional vibration](#)). The interacting influence of bearings on the dynamic behavior of machinery will be reviewed and illustrated by the construction of analytical models, and evaluated by computerized solutions. Participants are encouraged to present problems to be discussed. Informal technical sessions and workshops are intended to provide participants with adequate time to describe problems they have encountered in bearings, bearing systems, rotor dynamics and torsional vibration.

ARMD™ software will be available at the seminar and workshop for problem solving, and for the application of [state-of-the-art computer-aided engineering of bearings and rotor dynamics](#). Participants will have access to RBTS' popular Advanced Rotating Machinery Dynamics software package ARMD™.



Representative Rotating Assembly Illustrating Various Applied Radial Forces



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Day 1 – Fluid-Film Bearings

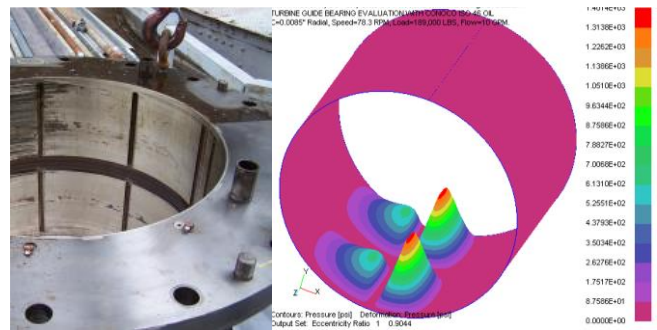
This session is presented in a simple way to understand the technology of sliding surface bearings so that participants with or without previous knowledge benefit from the presentation and can apply it immediately in their profession. The session is a full coverage of fluid-film BEARINGS (the vital tribological elements of rotating machinery that support, guide, and locate the rotating assembly) beginning with their fundamental principles of operation through computer-implemented evaluations of their operational performance characteristics and limitations. Design considerations and applications of sliding surface bearings with emphasis on HYDRODYNAMICALLY lubricated fluid-film bearings will be discussed along with presentations of practical examples and case histories. Topics include:

INTRODUCTION TO BEARINGS (Includes the presentation of a real life bearing failure problem and effective solution taking time and cost in to consideration)

- Functional Roll
- The Two Primary Classes
- Noteworthy Differences Between Bearing Classes

SLIDING SURFACE BEARINGS

- Fundamentals
- Distribution of Bearings Hardware/Demonstration
- Types and Definition
- Load Support Mechanisms
- Modes of Lubrication
- Frictional Response Characteristics
- Lubricant Temperature/Viscosity Dependent Properties and Heat Balance Effects
- Terms and Concepts of Hydrodynamic Lubrication and its requirements
- Terms and Concepts of Hydrostatic-Hybrid Lubrication and Its Requirements
- Turbomachinery Hydrodynamic Bearing Types, Performance, and Dynamic Characteristics
- Oil Whirl / Whip
- Advantages / Disadvantages
- Cost



Hydro-Turbine Guide Bearing & Oil Pressure Model

FLUID-FILM BEARING TYPES AND APPLICATIONS

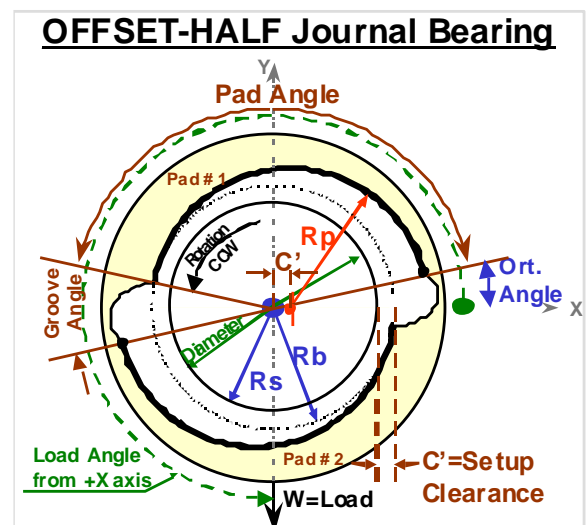
- Fixed & Tilting Pad Geometries
- Journal, Thrust & Conical

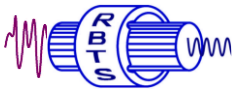
BEARINGS STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGY

- Advanced technology presentation & demonstration
- Application of Bearings Technologies

WORKSHOP

- Participants' systems
- Group discussion
- Course summary



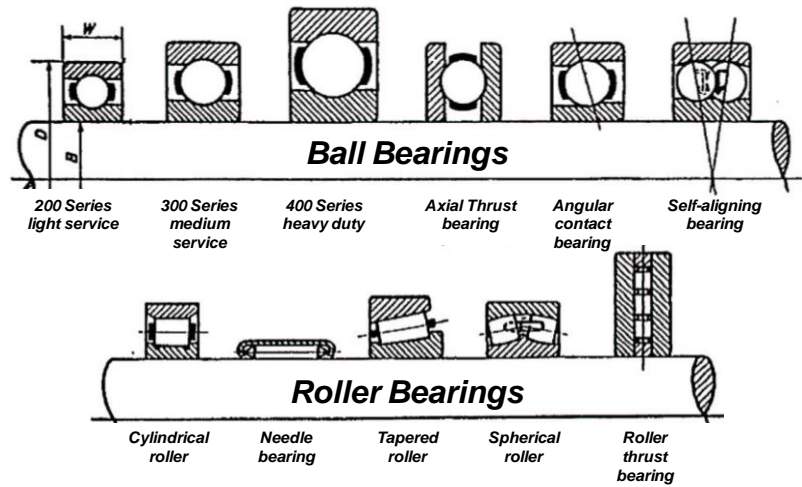


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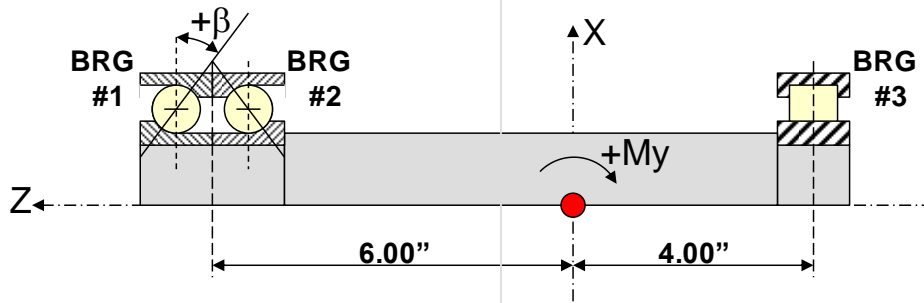
Day 2 – Rolling Element Bearings – A Two Hour Session

A brief introduction to Rolling Element Bearings (REB) presented in a 2 hour session.

Topics include REB types, geometries, applications, and Standards. Failure modes, bearing stress and fatigue life are addressed, followed by lubrication, kinematics and multi bearing systems. Modeling and analysis of a rolling element bearing sample is presented and results discussed.



ROLLING ELEMENT BEARING ANALYSIS SAMPLE PROBLEM



Bearing System:

Fan shaft with impeller loads

Fixed Bearing:

Back-to-Back duplex angular contact ball
 80mmx140mmx52mm per row
 15 – ¾ inch balls per row
 25 degree contact angle
 Zero operating end play

Conditions:

1500 RPM shaft speed
 2000 (lbs) radial load downward (-)
 1000 (lbs) thrust load to the left (+)
 500 (in-lb) moment clockwise (+)

Radial Bearing:

Cylindrical roller bearing
 100mmx150mmx24mm per row
 24 – 14mm diameter x 16mm long rollers
 0.0010" operating IDC (diametral clearance)



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Day 2 & 3

Rotor Dynamics & Torsional Vibration

Rotor dynamics and torsional vibration technologies presented in a simple way to participants, with or without previous knowledge, to be applied immediately in their profession. Commonly used terminology in the industry such as lateral and torsional **critical speeds**, **mode shapes** (rigid body & bending), **stability**, bearing **whirl/whip**, phase angle, critical damping, **gyroscopic** effects, **unbalance**, **API-amplification factors** & required **separation margins**, etc., will be discussed and illustrated throughout the course by the presentation of practical examples and case histories. The course handout includes sufficient details to be used as a reference including a tutorial section on rotor dynamic fundamentals and terminology. Topics include:

INTRODUCTION & OVERVIEW (Includes the presentation of a real life vibration problem and cost/time effective corrective actions taken as a solution)

BASICS OF MACHINERY VIBRATION – Introduction

- Vibration Theory – Single mass system, planar vibration.
- Response & Shaft Dynamics – Displacement, velocity & acceleration amplitude & phase.
- Forces in Rotating Equipment – Bearings, Cavitation, Imbalance, Hydraulic, Aerodynamic.

ROTOR DYNAMICS & TORSIONAL VIBRATION – Basics

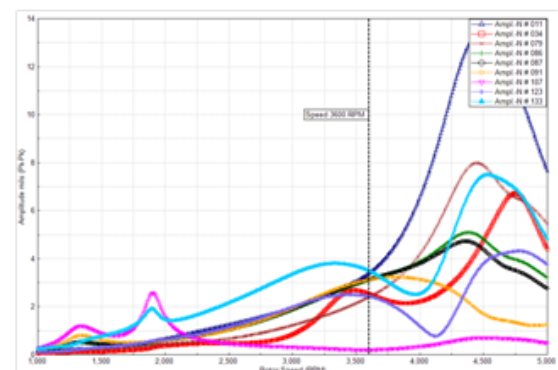
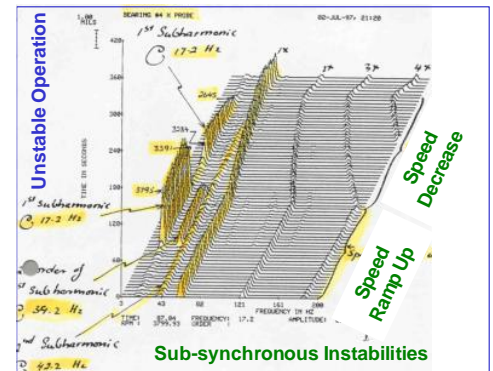
- Introduction & Application.
- Parameters of Interests.
- Vibration Analysis Types - Lateral, Torsional, & Axial.
- Stability & Response.

ROTOR DYNAMICS – THEORY

- Rigid Rotor – One degree of freedom free & forced vibration.
- Simplified Rotor System Behavior – Dynamic vectors (displacement & force), critical speed, phase angle, stability parameter and the effects of system mass, stiffness, and damping.
- Flexible Rotor – Multi degree-of-freedom system.

ROTOR DYNAMICS – Advanced

- Synchronous Steady-State Response.
- Non-Synchronous Time-Transient Response.
- Balancing Grades & Guidelines.
- API Standards & Guidelines - Amplification Factor, Critical Response Envelope. Required Separation Margins for Operation Below & Above Critical Speed, Shaft Vibration Orbit properties.

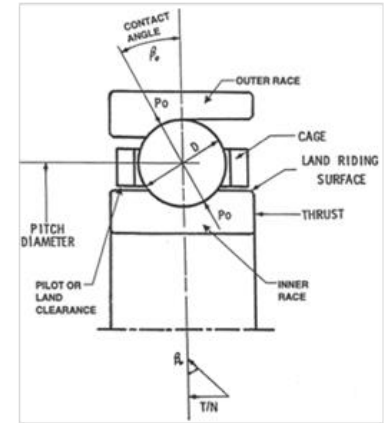


Response Amplitude Versus Speed

REQUIREMENTS FOR ROTOR DYNAMIC ANALYSES

Modeling

- Shafting.
- Disks – Impellers, Couplings, Thrust Collars, Blades, Balanced pistons, etc.
- Bearings – Fluid-Film & Rolling Element
- Seals – Wear-rings, Labyrinth.
- Housing/Pedestal.
- Aerodynamic, Steam Whirl, Hydraulic Effects.
- External Excitations.
- Gyroscopic Effects.



Analysis

- Damped & Undamped Rotor Stability, Natural Frequencies, Mode Shapes
- Stability & Critical Speed Maps, and Response.

ROTOR DYNAMICS DETAILED CASE HISTORY

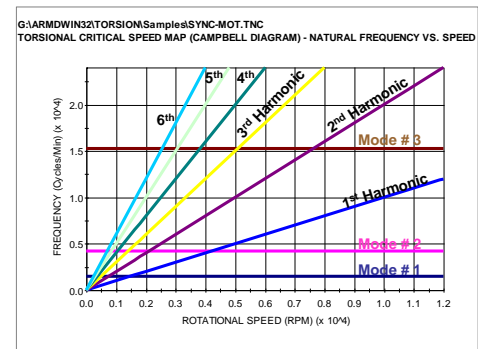
- **Step-by-Step Rotor-Bearing System Modeling**, Analysis, and Problem Solution by the Introduction of Rotor Dynamics Software and its Application to a Rotor-Bearing System.
- **Bearing Interaction** with the Rotating Assembly, Oil-Whirl/Whip Phenomena, Rotor-Bearing Response, and Stability Illustrations.

TORSIONAL VIBRATION – Advanced

- Modeling Considerations – Shaft, Inertia, Coupling, Bearings, Damping, etc.
- Analysis Types & Generated Results Interpretation.

TORSIONAL VIBRATION DETAILED CASE HISTORIES

- Simple Two-Disc System.
- Direct Drive Fixed Speed – 75kw Electric Motor Driven 4 Stage Gas Booster Centrifugal Compressor.
- Synchronous Motor–Gearbox–Compressor Drive Train Start-Up Simulation.
- Failure Analysis of 2000hp Electric Motor Driving a 4-Throw Reciprocating Compressor and Cost Effective Solution.



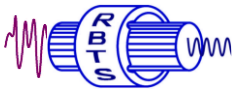
STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGY PRESENTATION & DEMONSTRATION

- Advanced Technology Presentation & Demonstration
- Summary of Course Content and Application of Rotating Machinery Dynamics Technologies

WORKSHOP

- Participants' Systems
- Group Discussion

During the session, numerous real life case histories will be presented to illustrate the technology and its application to rotating machinery failure analysis and troubleshooting of common, as well as unique, vibration problems.



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Day 4 – ARMD Users Workshop

Rotor Dynamics & Bearings Software Application

Session Ends at 3:00 p.m.

This workshop is planned for users/participants who are interested in the detailed modeling and analysis of bearings and rotor/bearing systems utilizing the **ARMD™ Software**. Participants can bring their own **rotating machinery** and **bearings** problems to be presented and discussed in an open session, watch a problem development and solution, or use the software and create their own models and perform the analysis of their interest. Time will be allocated to discuss FAQs and details of the ARMD software. The workshop will mainly cover the following subjects:

MODEL GENERATION

- Introduction & Problem Description
- Getting the "Right" Parameters
- Dividing the Rotating Machine Into Components for Modelling And Integration
- Verification of Constructed Model

ROTOR/BEARING SIMULATION

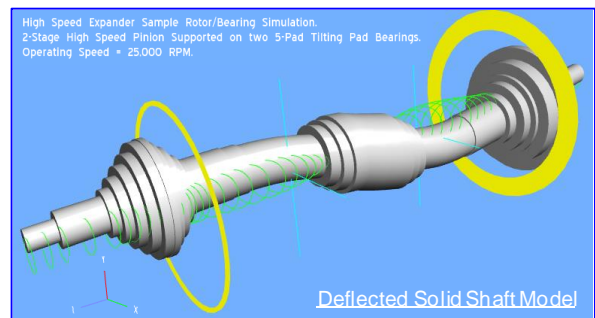
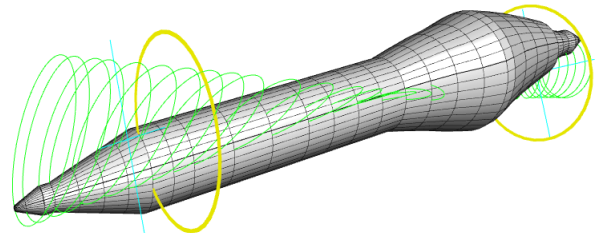
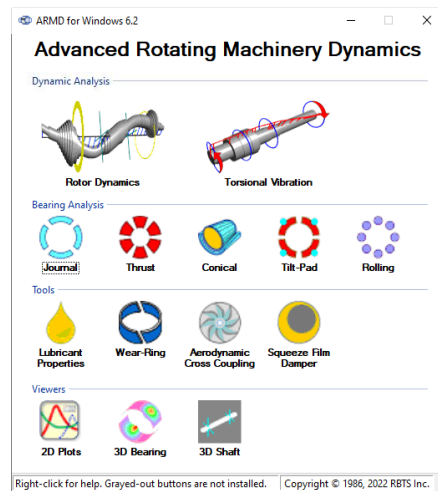
- Deflection & Load Calculations
- Bearing Performance and the Generation of Dynamic Coefficients (Stiffness and Damping)
- System Natural Frequency, Mode Shapes and Stability Calculations
- Critical Speed Map Generation
- Stability Map (CAMPBELL Diagram)
- Synchronous Unbalance Response
- Non-Synchronous Time Transient Response

INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

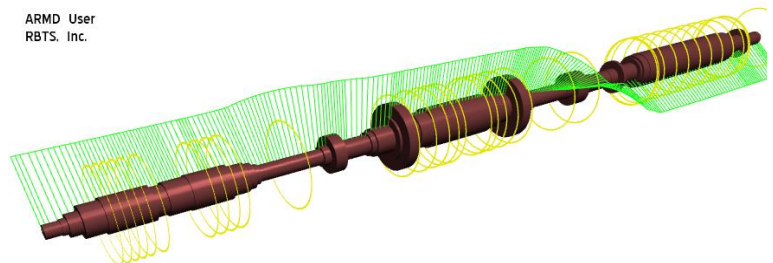
- Acceptable Bearing Performance
- Rotating Machinery Dynamic Performance and Cost Effective Corrective Action
- Comparison/Correlation of Calculated & Measured Machinery Dynamic Performance

APPLICATIONS

- Participants' Problems (if available and can be shared)
- Fixed & Tilting-pad fluid-film journal/thrust bearings
- Lateral/Torsional rotor dynamics



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Animated Mode Shapes



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Accommodations

PENN STATE Great Valley is 45 minute drive from Philadelphia (PHL) International airport.

It is suggested that attendees make their own hotel reservation at the following hotel (indicate that they will be attending RBTS course at **PENN STATE** Great Valley):

Homewood Suites by Hilton Philadelphia - Great Valley

12 E. Swedesford Road, Malvern, PA 19355

Phone: 610-296-3500

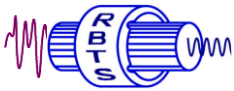
Fax: 610-296-1941

(adjacent to PSGV, 2 minute walk to class, **Ask for PSU rate**)

Room rate: **\$149** reflecting PSU rate. Rate includes buffet style hot/cold breakfast and dinner.



There are numerous hotels in the Malvern, Valley Forge, King of Prussia areas and within a short driving distance from the PENN STATE Great Valley. Feel free to find your own, or contact RBTS for extended listing. Alternatively, visit PENN STATE web site at "<http://www.sgps.psu.edu/conference>", there you can find [Directions & Parking](#) for maps, directions, hotels, etc., and to learn more about the many things you can do visiting the area.



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Speakers

◆ **VICTOR K. OBEID** has over 35 years of experience in the fields of rotor dynamics, fluid-film and rolling-element bearings, machinery vibration, failure analysis and troubleshooting. He is a pioneer in the development and application of PC based state-of-the-art computer aided design software for predicting the dynamics of complex rotor-bearing systems. A former Staff Engineer at the Franklin Institute Research Laboratories and a technical leader at RBTS, he directs government and industry sponsored projects involving design, analysis and trouble-shooting of rotating machinery systems and their components. He has been instrumental teaching and training in the fields of bearings and rotor dynamics, and their application to common as well as unique equipment design, operation, and failure analysis. He taught seminars and training sessions worldwide at rotating equipment OEM, end users, packagers, government agencies, and open seminars to machinery engineers. Mr. Obeid holds a Bachelor degree from Drexel University and Master of Science degree from Penn State University, both in Mechanical Engineering. Holds numerous US & Canadian patents on bearing designs & machinery elements.



◆ **CHARLES W. YEISER** has over 30 years of experience in the technical evaluation of structural and rotating machinery dynamics that encompasses application, design, software development, systems evaluation, failure analysis and trouble-shooting. He has extensive experience in developing linear and non-linear finite element and specialized fluid-film/rolling-element bearing applications, which included structural deformation and heat transfer. For the past 20 years he has developed and successfully applied advanced computational techniques to evaluate torsional vibrations in hundreds of mechanical drive systems. Mr. Yeiser holds a Bachelor of Arts in Physics from Franklin & Marshall College, as well as Bachelor and Master of Science degrees in Engineering from the University of Pennsylvania.



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