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**TECHNICAL NOTE
EXPERTISE**

RESUME/SUMMARY:
 The aim of this document is to present the conclusions of the expertise performed on five AW139 – M/R Elastomeric Bearings after a “hard landing”.
 S/N 0481 to 0485.
 The expertise has been witnessed by the BEA.

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1 – INTRODUCTION

The target of this document is to present the conclusions of the expertise performed by **PAULSTRA** on five AW139 – M/R Elastomeric Bearings.

In April 2013, PAULSTRA has been informed that five AW139 – M/R bearings have been removed from an aircraft after a “hard landing” occurred in October, 22^{sd} 2012.

Those bearings have been sent back to **PAULSTRA** for expertise.



The expertise has been witnessed by the BEA (Marc LEVER & Stéphane OTIN) and AW (Luigi CANDIANI).

Concerned parts: **P/N 3G6220V00154** (PA P/N: 579126 01) – **S/N 0481** to **0485**

2 – APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

2-1 – AGUSTA

139G6220E002	Rev. E	AB139 – Elastomeric Spherical Main Rotor Bearing Technical Specification
3G6220V00154	Rev. D	Drawing
Delivery Documentation (Cf. <i>Appendix 1</i>)		

2-2 – PAULSTRA

579126 01	Iss. C	Drawing
PAQ E26 D7	Iss. F	Quality Plan
ATP E26 D9	Iss. G	Acceptance Tests Procedure
ATP E26 D9	Iss. K	Acceptance Tests Procedure (New Mould)
13-054		Quality Record

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3 – EXPERTIZE

The expertise has been performed at PAULSTRA’s facilities in Etrepagny (F-27150) on June, 3rd and 4th 2013.

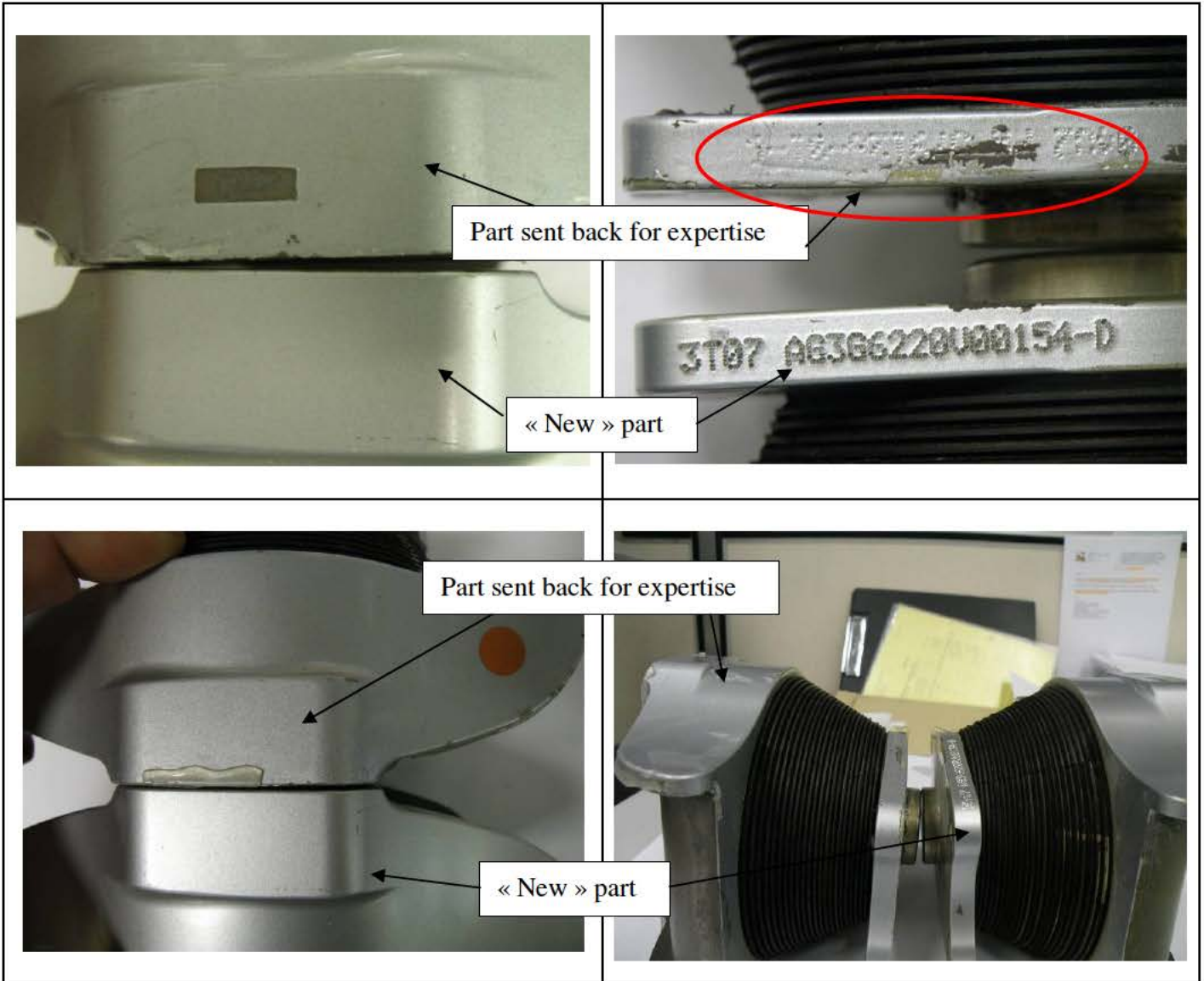


S/N	Manufacturing Date	Delivery Date	Service Life (Hours)	Returned	Blade Colour
0481	10/07/07	} 19/07/07	} 2063.3	} 22/05/13	Black
0482	} 11/07/07				Orange
0483		Blue			
0484		Red			
0485					White

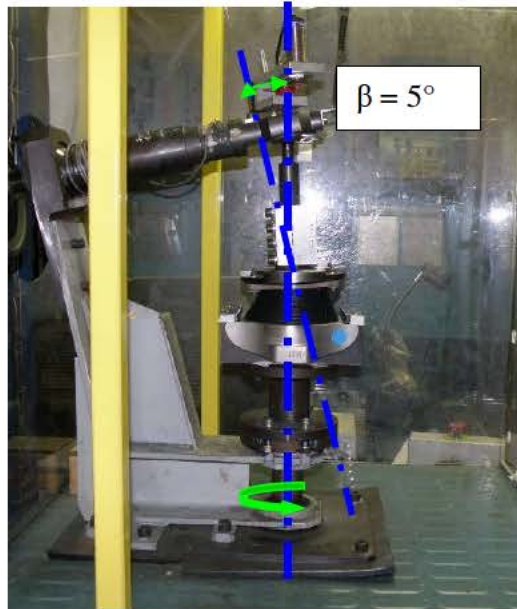
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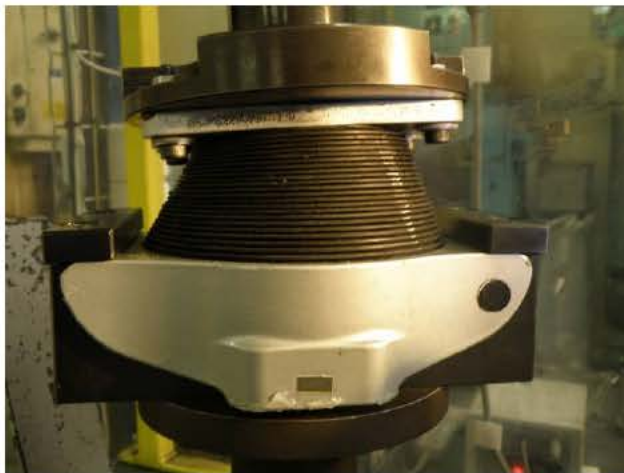
First of all, PAULSTRA mentioned that the marking is not more legible and that the final coating is not the original one.



For the visual inspection, a specific test rig is used. It allows to apply a cocking angle in order to open the cracks, if there are any.



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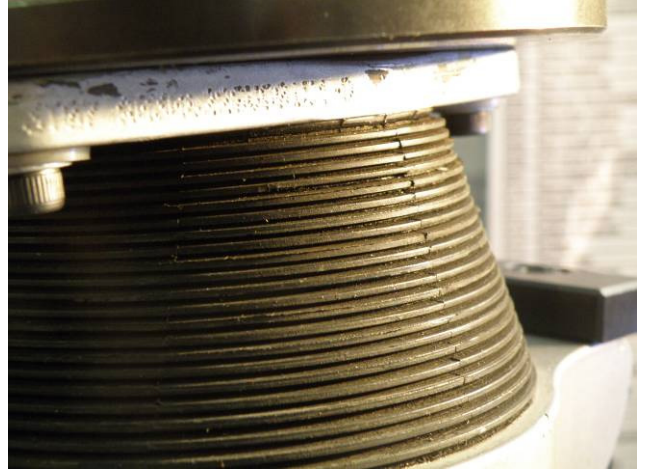
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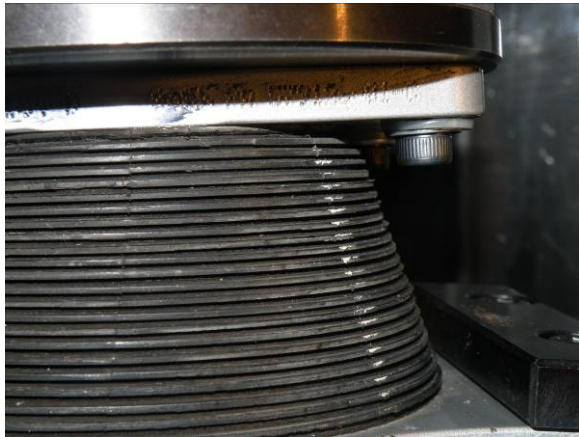
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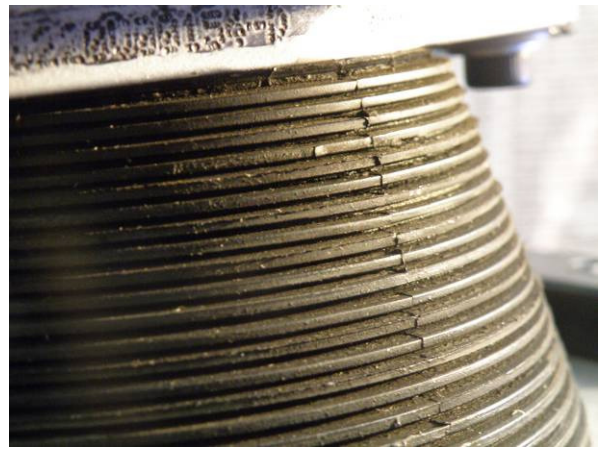
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No crack detected on any bearing.

The five parts have the same aspect: a fold on the 1st layer in the lead-lag direction

3.2 – Acceptance Tests

Before the delivery, the bearings have been controlled according to **ATP E26 D9 iss.J**

S/N	Cocking Proof Test	Axial Stiffness (kN/mm)	Torsion Stiffness (mN/°)	Cocking Stiffness (mN/°)	Tensile Stiffness (kN/mm)	Height (mm)	Weight (g)
Specif.		276 ± 10%	7.2 ± 20%	24.5 ± 20%		105 ± 0.5	3845 ± 40
0481	OK	299.6	7.54	25.2	3142	104.85	3860
0482	OK	292.0	7.02	23.5	3147	104.86	3860
0483	OK	298.5	7.53	24.5	3328	104.88	3860
0484	OK	289.9	7.32	24.1	3138	104.88	3858
0485	OK	298.5	7.36	23.7	3080	104.90	3860

Before the delivery, the bearings have been controlled according to **ATP E26 D9 iss.K**

S/N	Cocking Proof Test	Axial Stiffness (kN/mm)	Torsion Stiffness (mN/°) (*)	Cocking Stiffness (mN/°) (**)	Height (mm) (***)
Specif.		290 ± 10%	7.2 ± 20%	24.5 ± 20%	105 ± 0.5
0481	OK	297.1	9.82	33.2	-
0482	OK	291.8	9.54	32.0	-
0483	OK	284.3	9.78	32.8	-
0484	OK	295.6	9.70	32.6	-
0485	OK	297.8	9.84	33.0	-

(*) : Due to the ageing of the elastomer, the torsion stiffness increased and the required angle ($\pm 20^\circ$) for the measure couldn't be respected because of the limitation of the test rig. The measure has been done between $\pm 14^\circ$. As the elastomer has a non linear behavior versus displacement, the impact of this deviation has been validated on a new part. (Cf. table 1).

(**): Due to the ageing of the elastomer, the cocking stiffness increased and the required angle ($\pm 6^\circ$) for the measure couldn't be respected because of the limitation of the test rig. The measure has been done between $\pm 5.5^\circ$. As the elastomer has a non linear behavior versus the displacement, the impact of this deviation has been validated on a new part. (Cf. table 1).

Table 1:

	Torsion		Cocking	
	$\pm 20^\circ$	$\pm 14^\circ$	$\pm 6^\circ$	$\pm 5.5^\circ$
Stiffness (mN/°)	6.83	7.31	24.79	25.22
Variation		+7%		+1.75%

If we take into account this coefficient, we can extrapolate the stiffness according to the ATP requirements and then conclude on the angular stiffness' evolution.

S/N	Torsion Stiffness (mN/°) Measure	Torsion Stiffness (mN/°) Extrapolation	Δt_0	Cocking Stiffness (mN/°) Measure	Cocking Stiffness (mN/°) Extrapolation	
Specif.		7.2 \pm 20%			24.5 \pm 20%	
0481	9.82	9.13	+21.1 %	33.2	32.6	+29.4 %
0482	9.54	8.87	+26.3 %	32.0	31.4	+33.6 %
0483	9.78	9.09	+20.7 %	32.8	32.2	+31.4 %
0484	9.70	9.02	+23.2 %	32.6	32.0	+32.8 %
0485	9.84	9.15	+24.3 %	33.0	32.4	+36.7 %

The stiffening of the parts is induced by the ageing of the elastomer. According to internal data base, the mean stiffening after 71 months of storage at ambient temperature is around +26%.

The data base is available upon request at PAULSTRA's facilities.

The elastomer has not the same ageing behavior in compression (axial stiffness) and in shear (torsion and cocking stiffness). The shear behavior is more affected by the ageing parameters (mainly time and temperature).

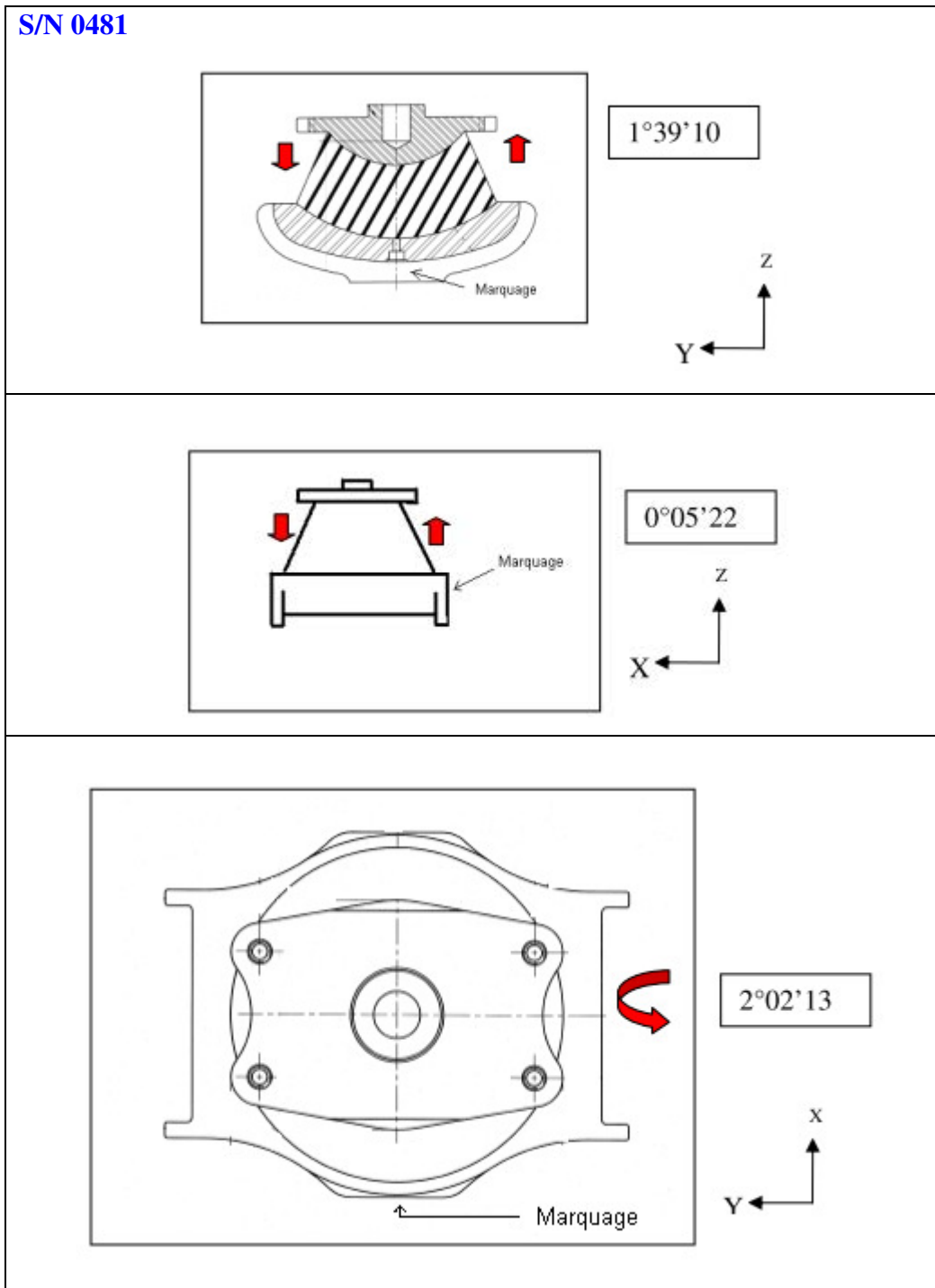
Curves and pictures of the ATP are given in *Appendix 2, 3 & 4*.

(***): As each bearing has a permanent deformation, it is not more possible to measure the height. A specific dimensional inspection has been then performed (Cf. § 3.3)

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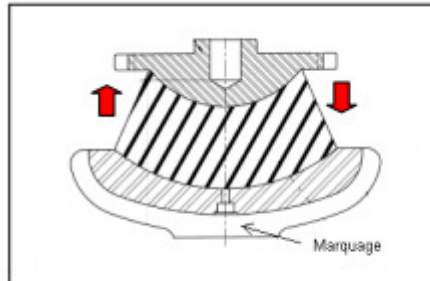
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For each bearing, angular permanent deformations have been measured

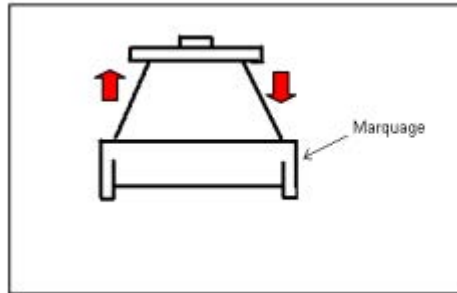
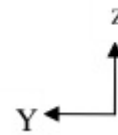




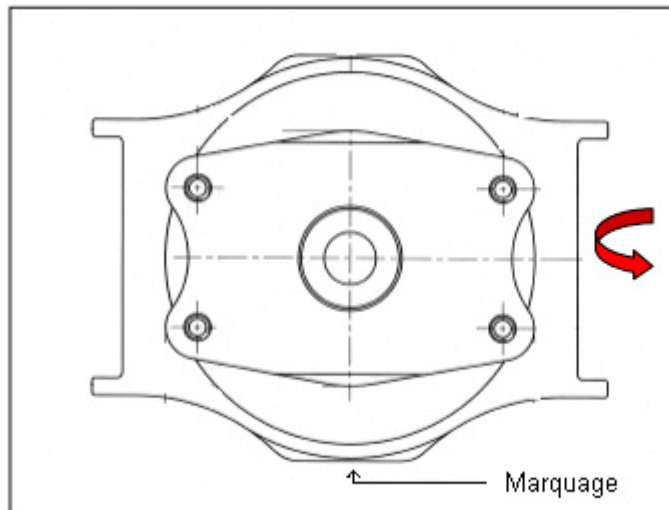
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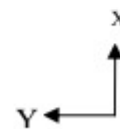
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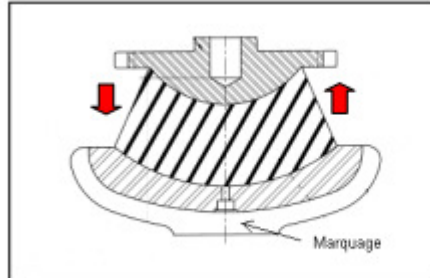
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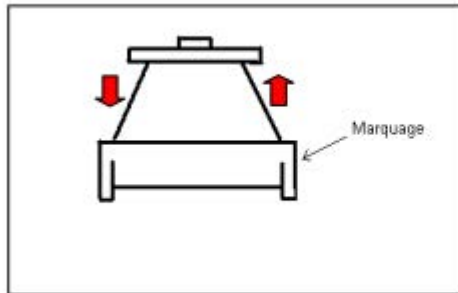
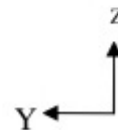
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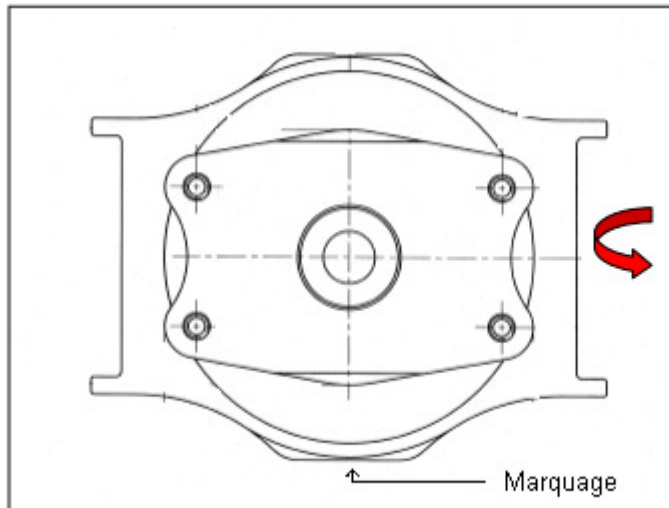
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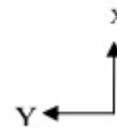
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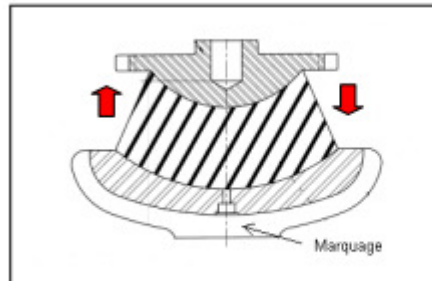
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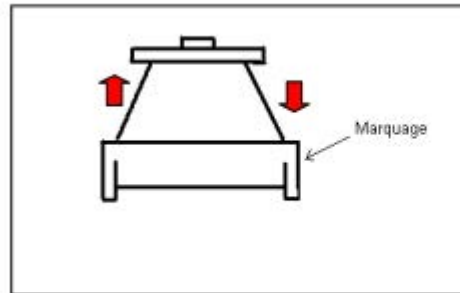
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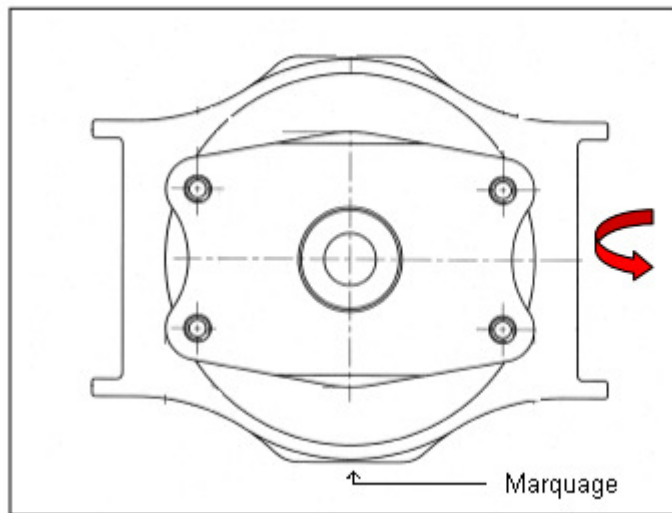
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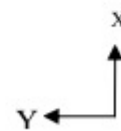
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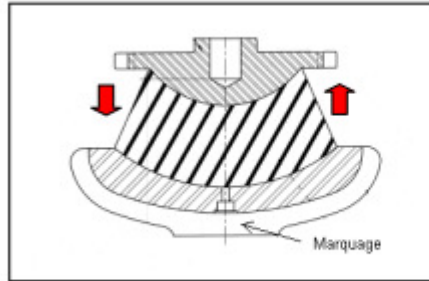
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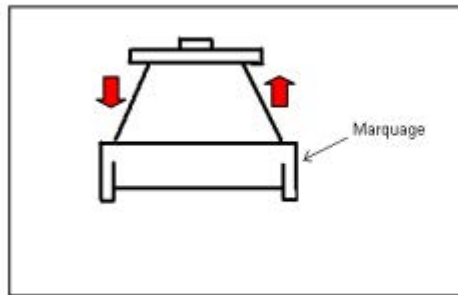
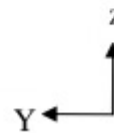
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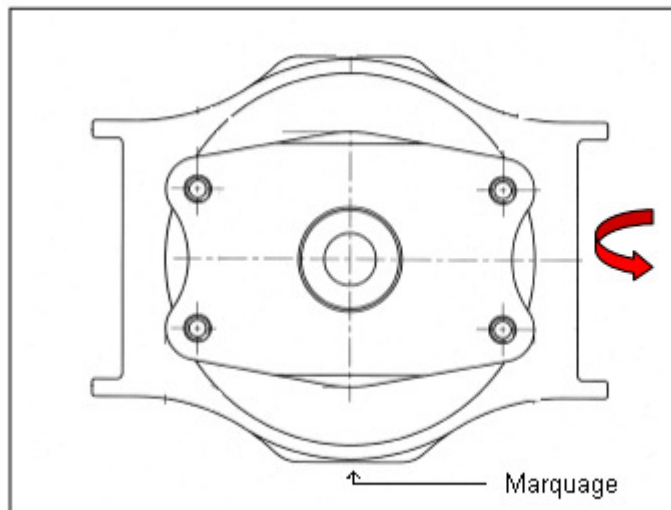
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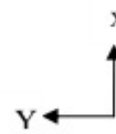
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4– CONCLUSION

The expertise has been successfully performed.

The five bearings do not present any anomaly after 2063.3 flight hours and a hard landing.


- None crack has been detected on any bearing
- The measured stiffnesses are compliant with the expected values, taking into account the ageing of the elastomer.
- There are angular permanent deformations, mainly in cocking and pitch directions, compatible with 2063.3 flight hours in hot environment. These deformations are more important on the bearings installed on the black, blue and white blades.

Notes:

- The marking is not more legible.
- The final coating is not more conform to the delivered configuration

The parts will be sent back to HELI WORKS as requested by Shin Chihoon in his mail dated June, 10th 2013.

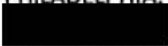
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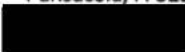
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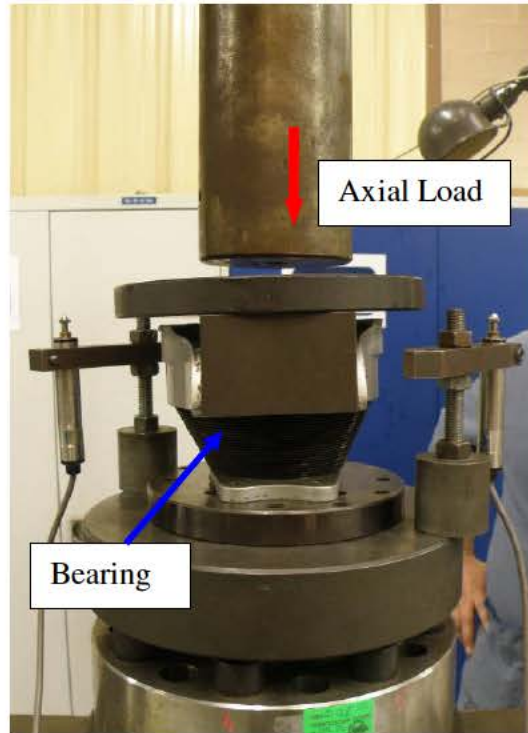
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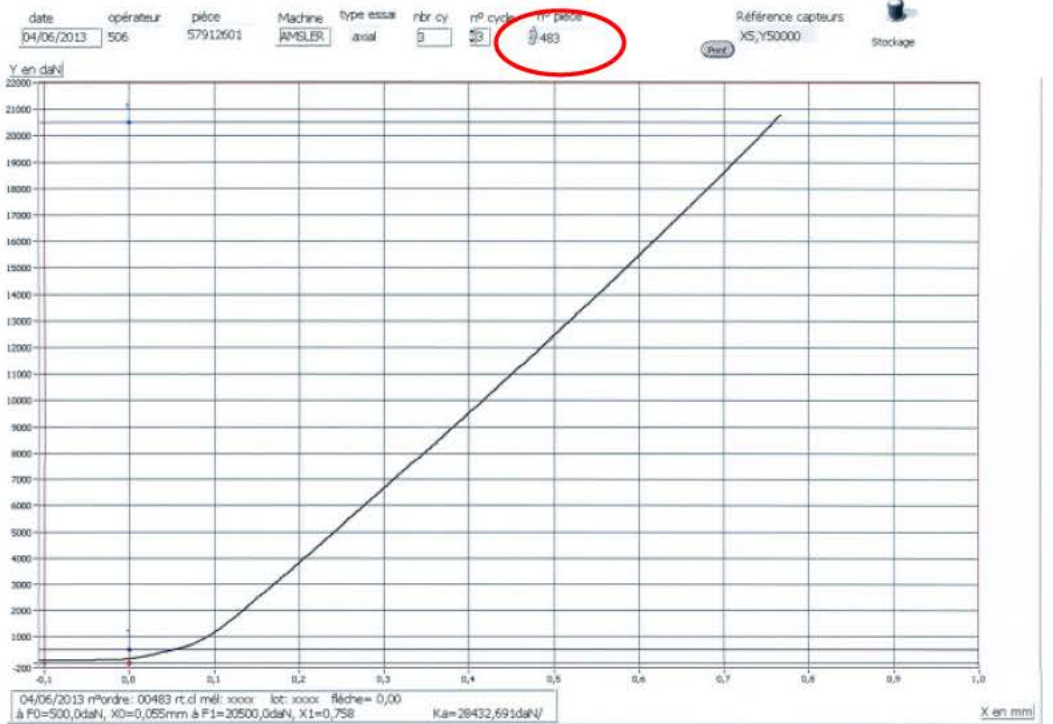
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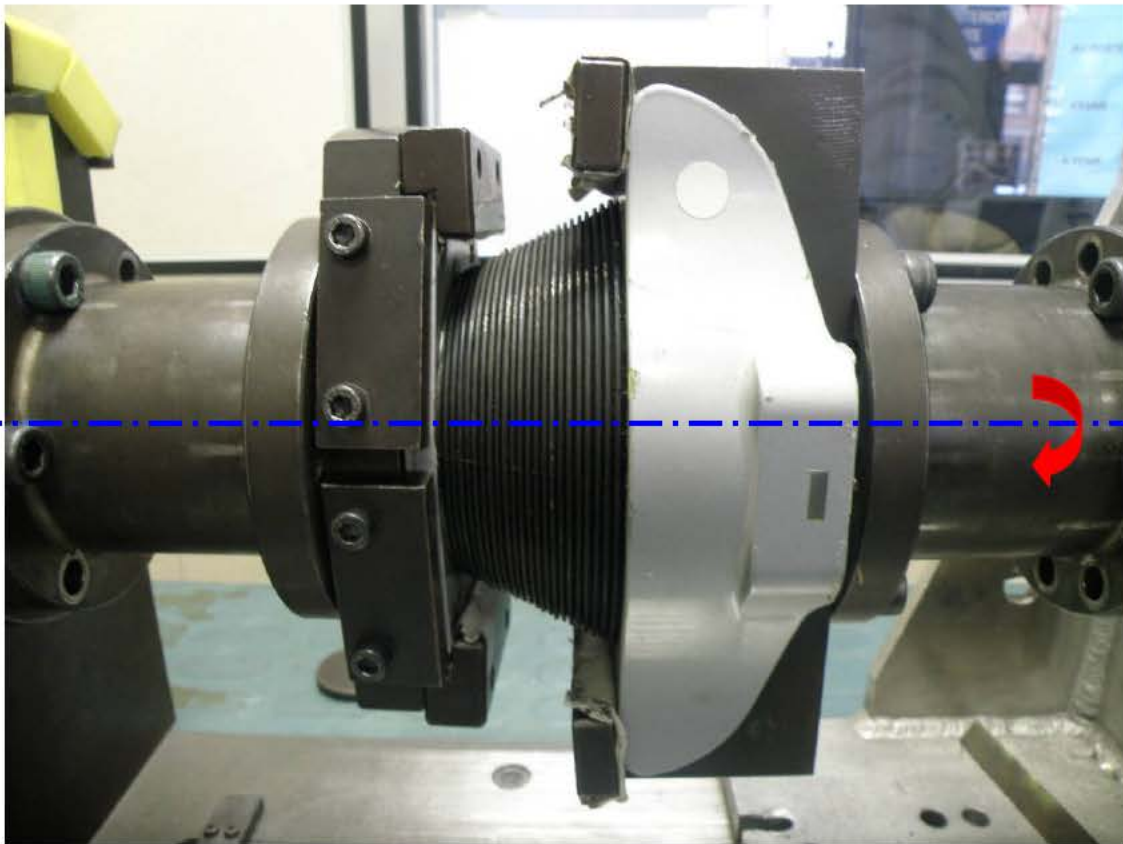
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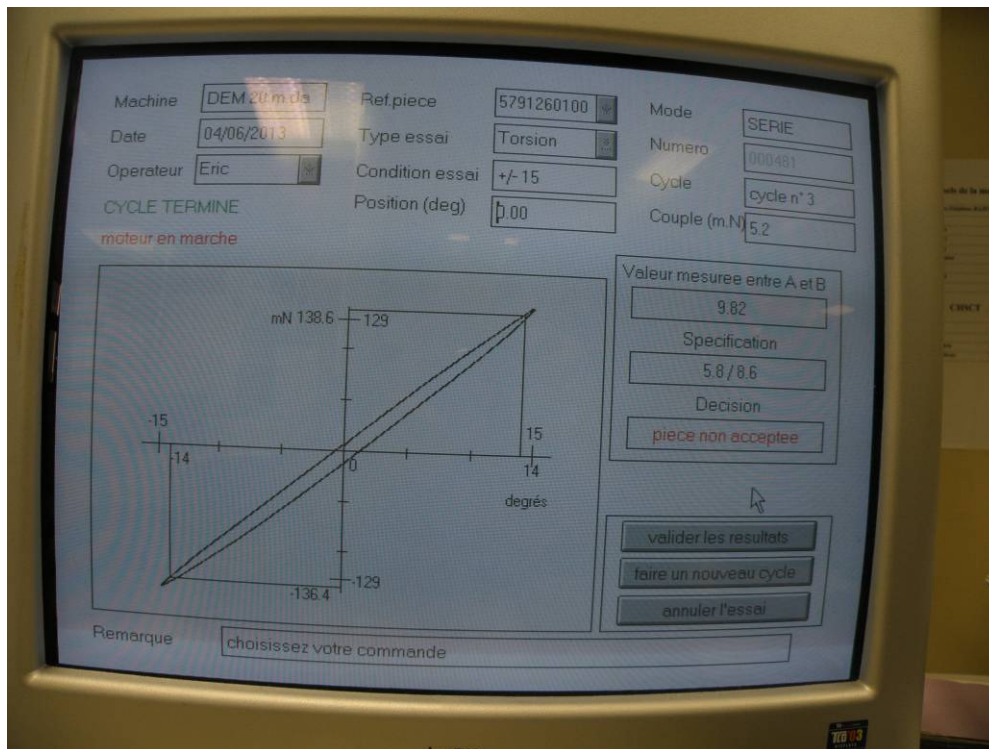
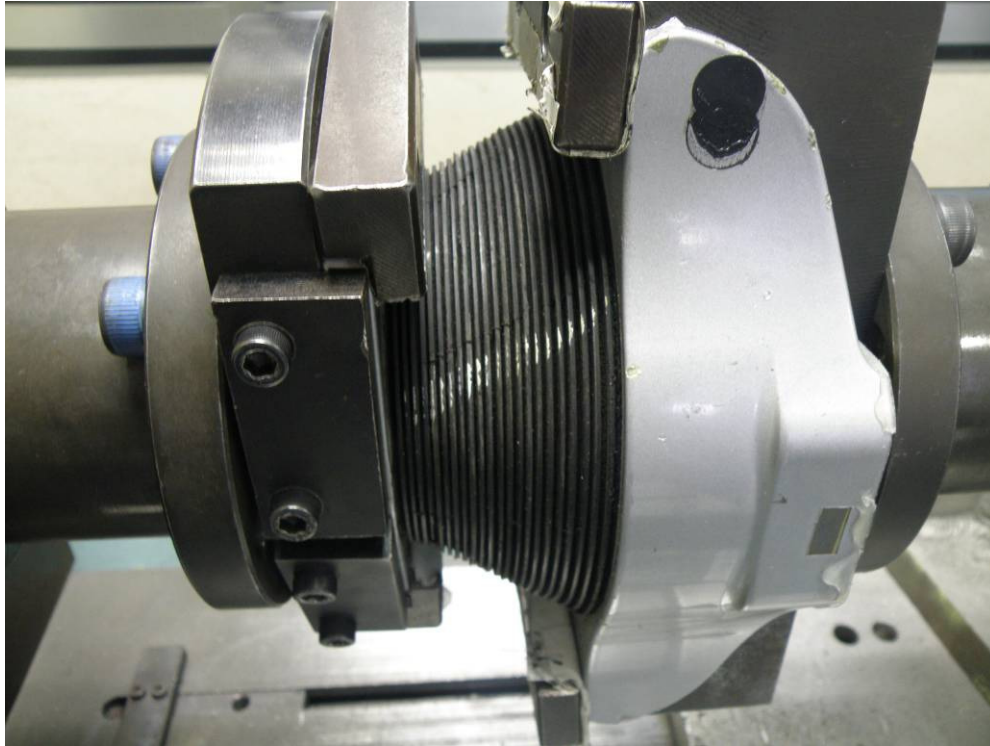
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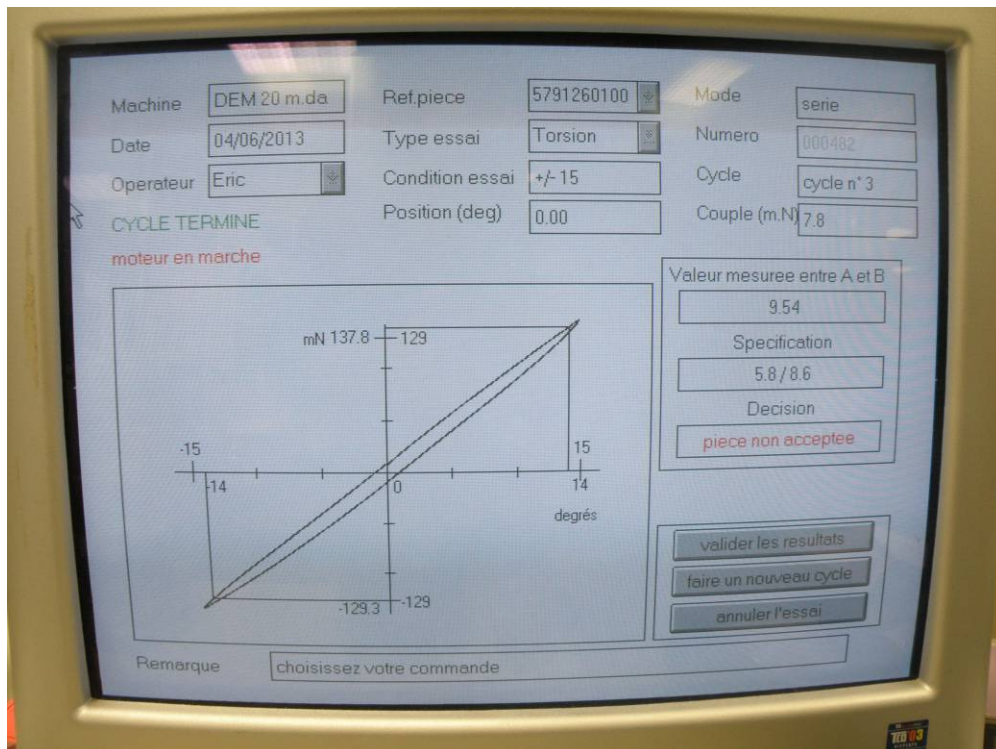
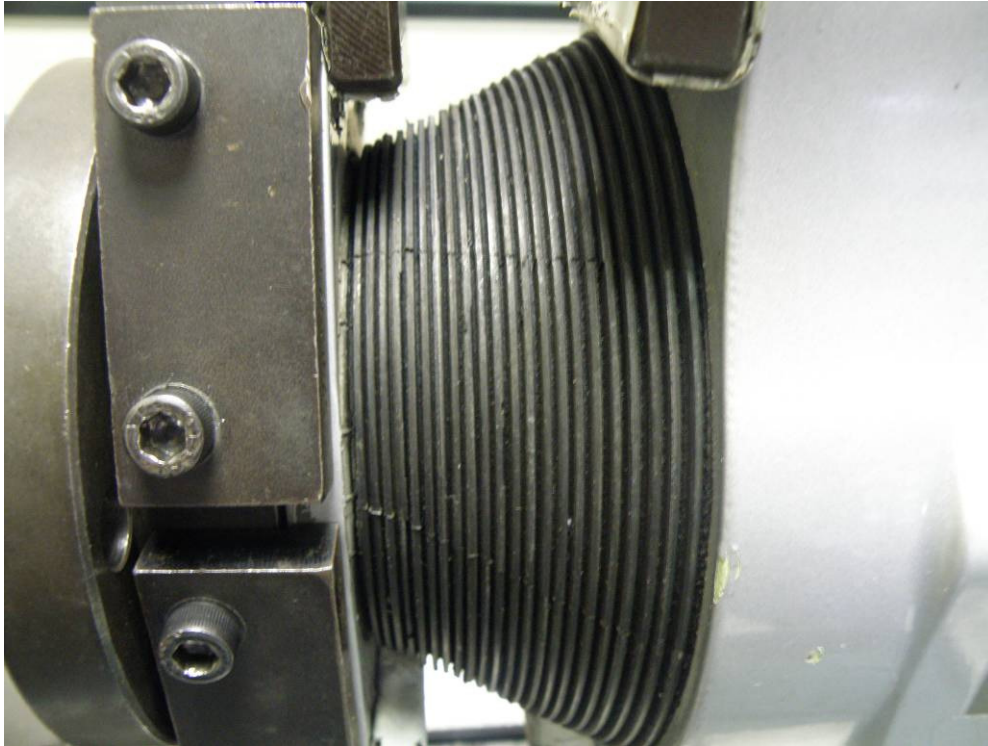
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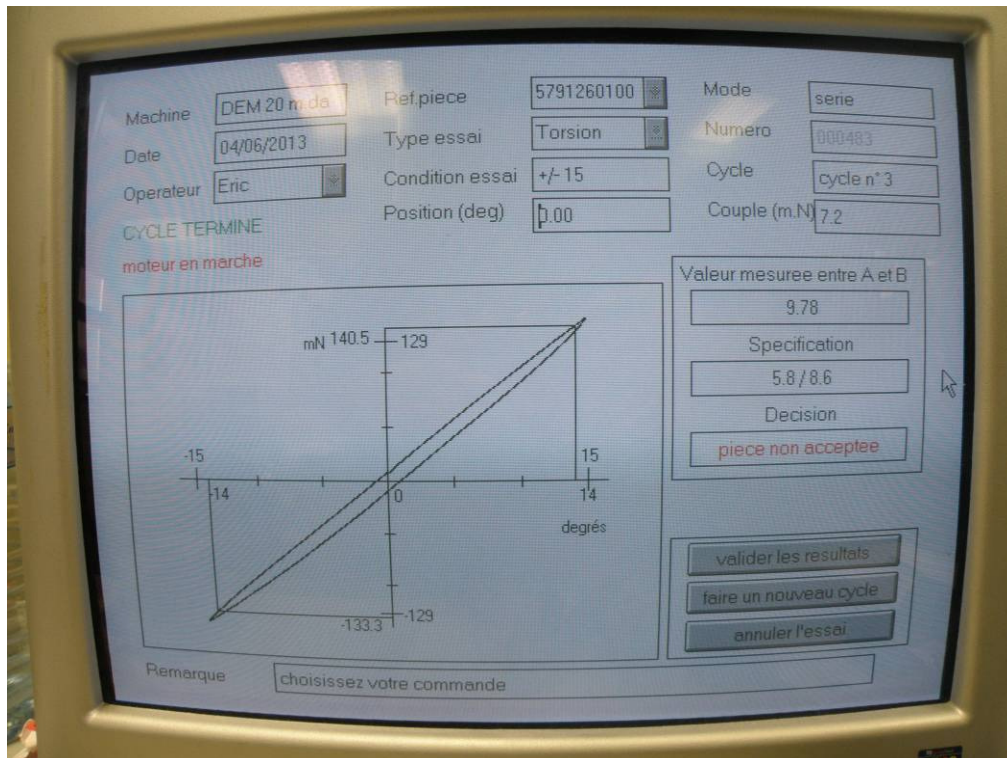
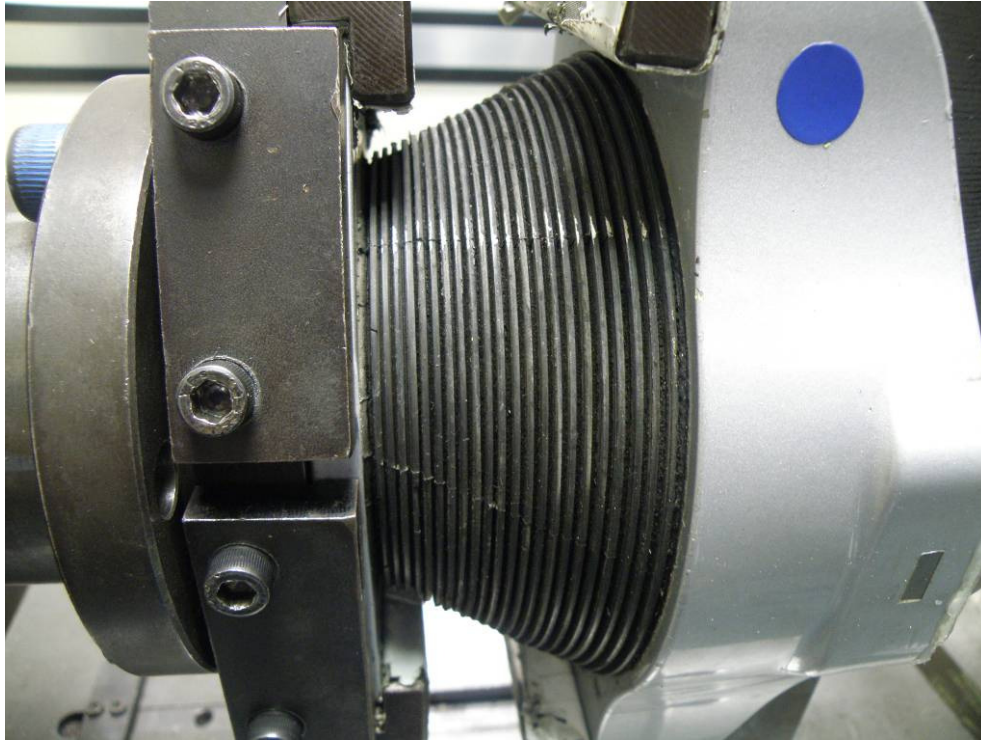
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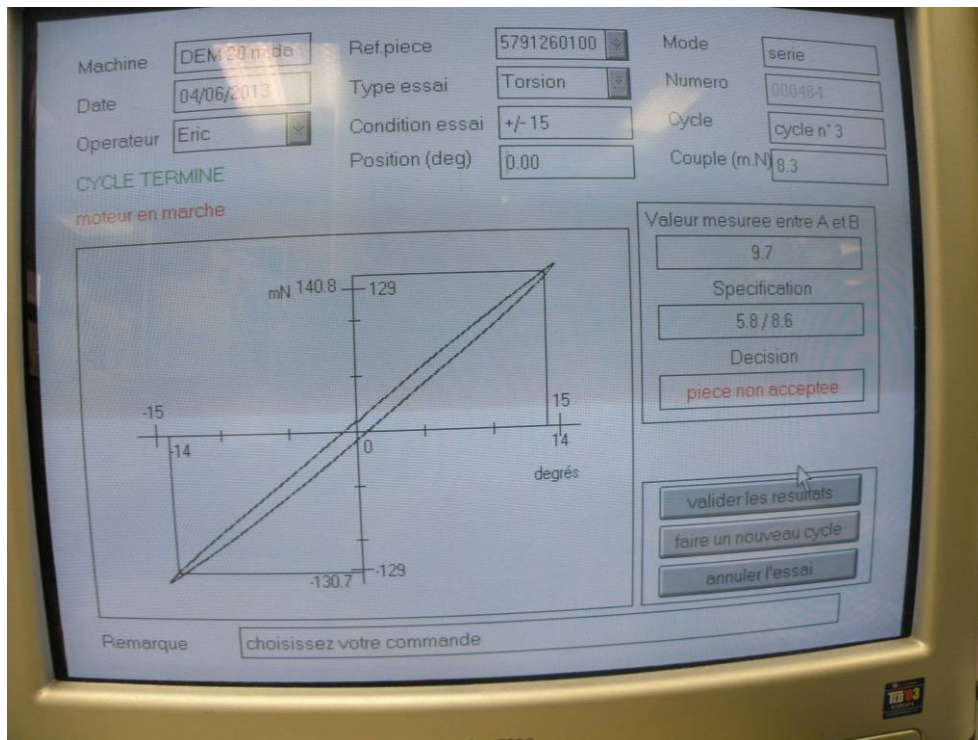
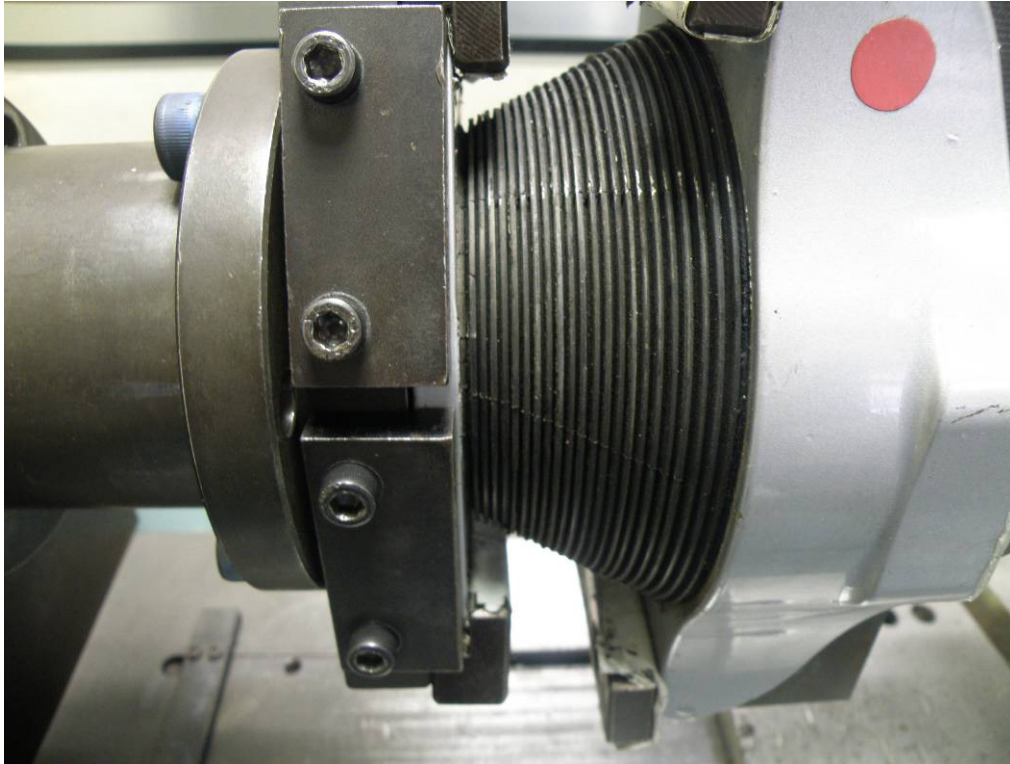
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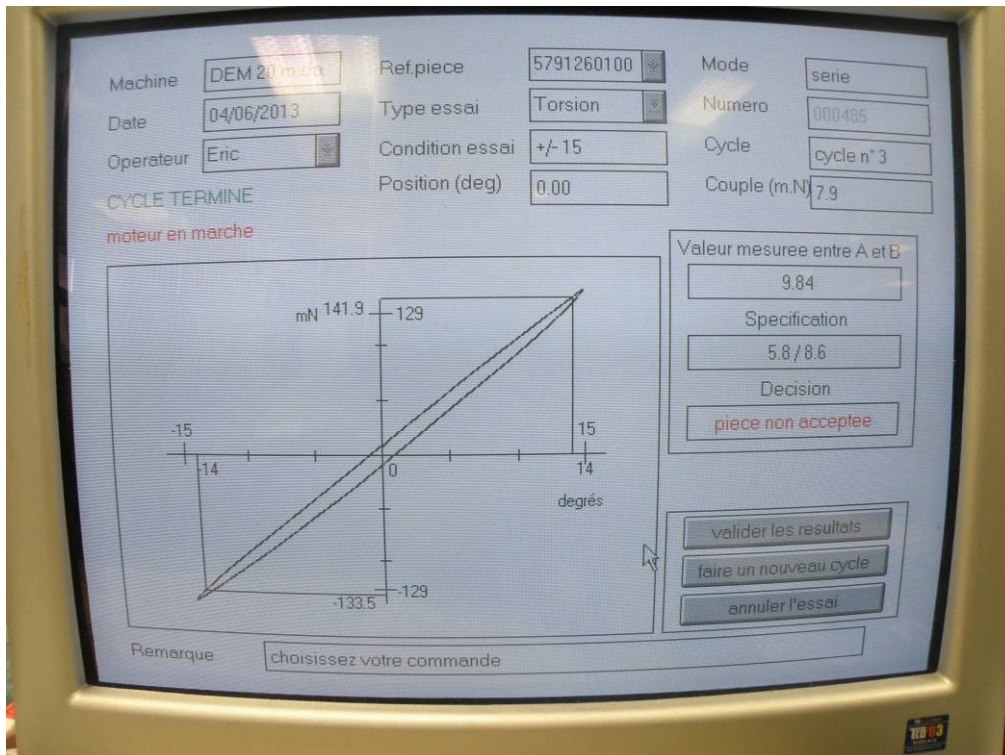
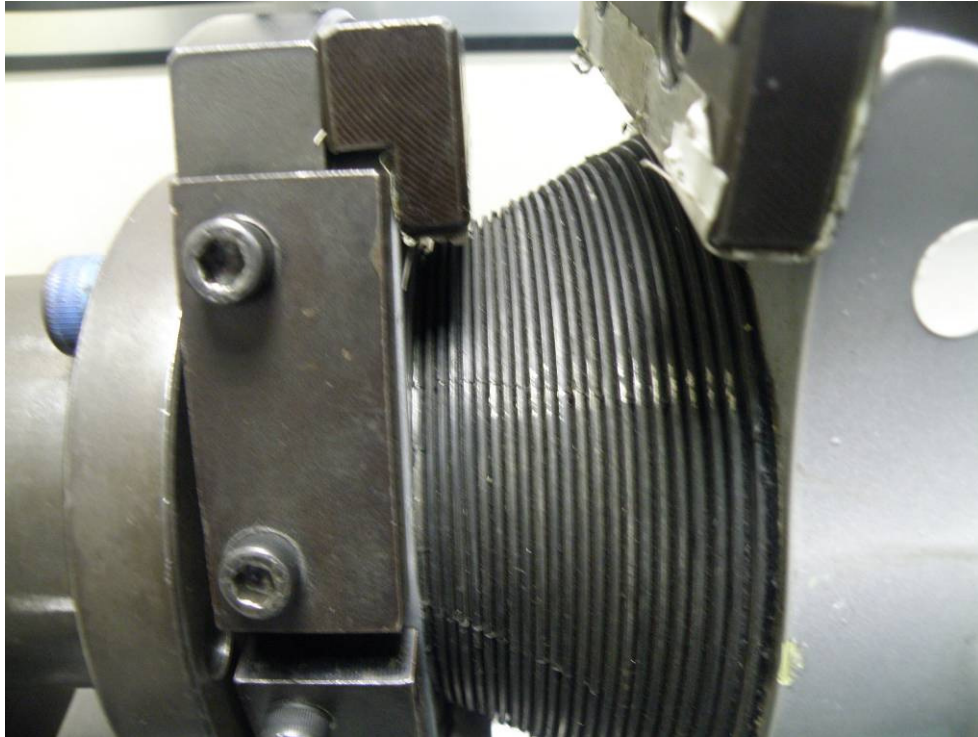
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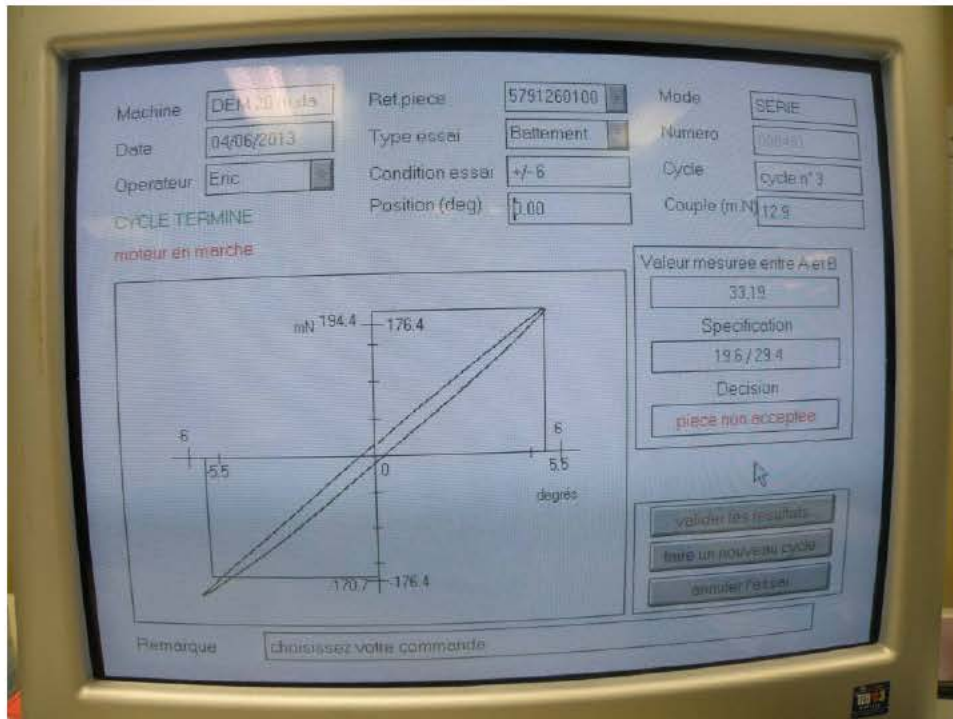
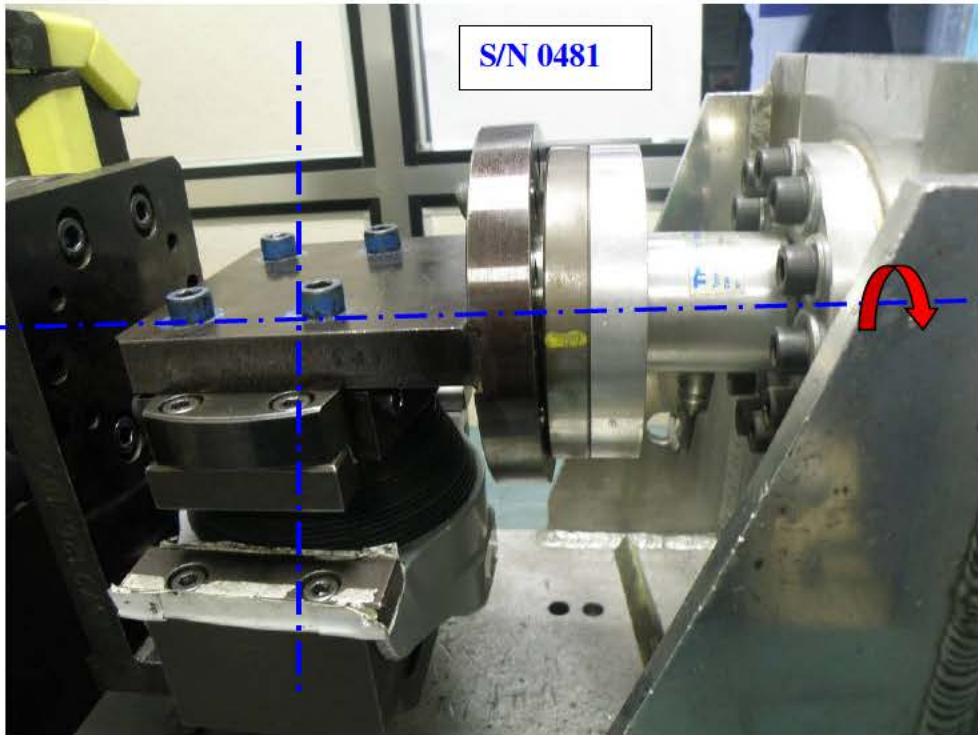
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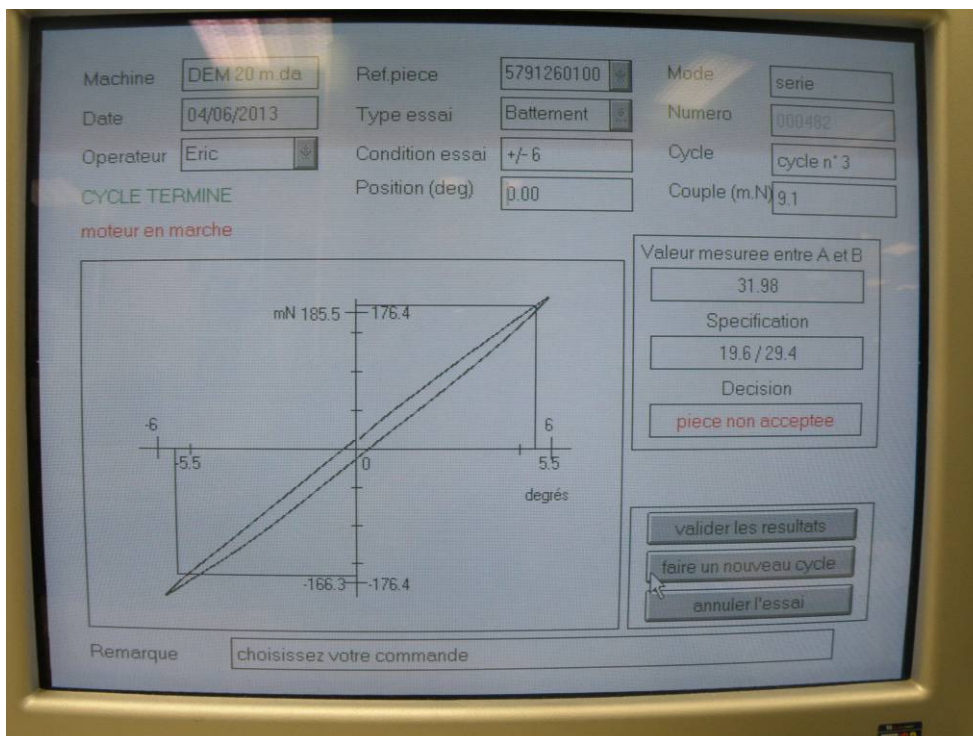
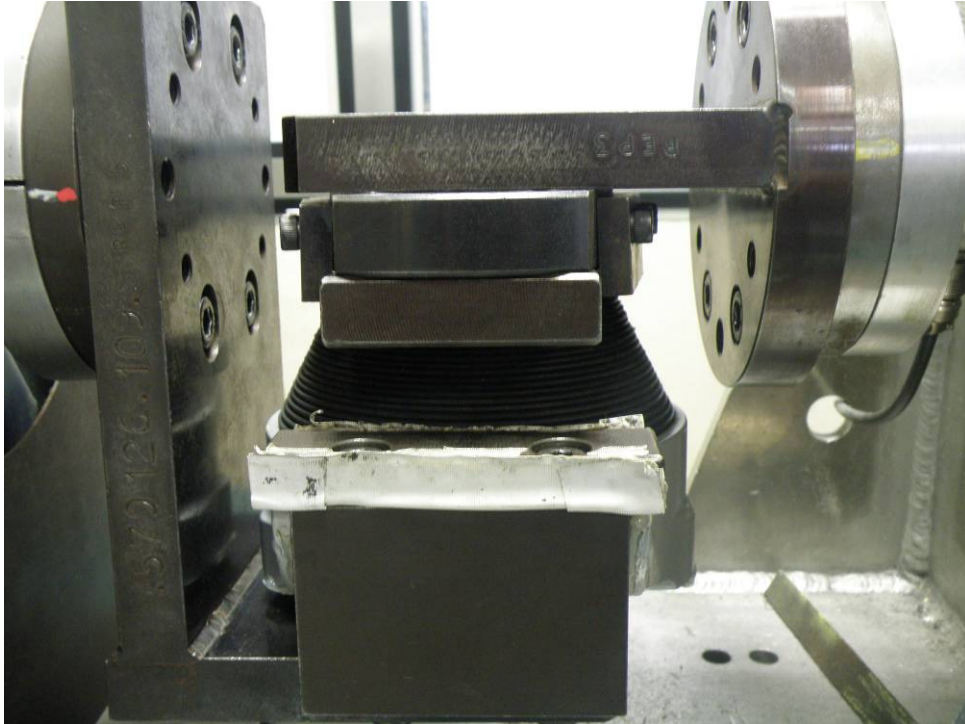
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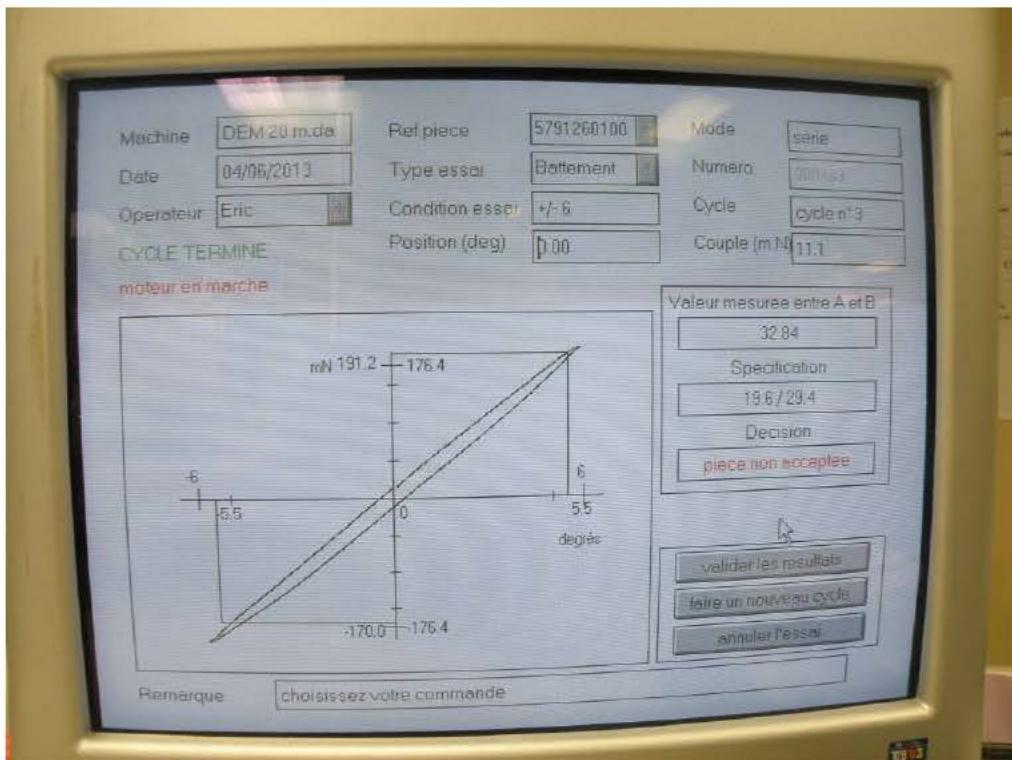
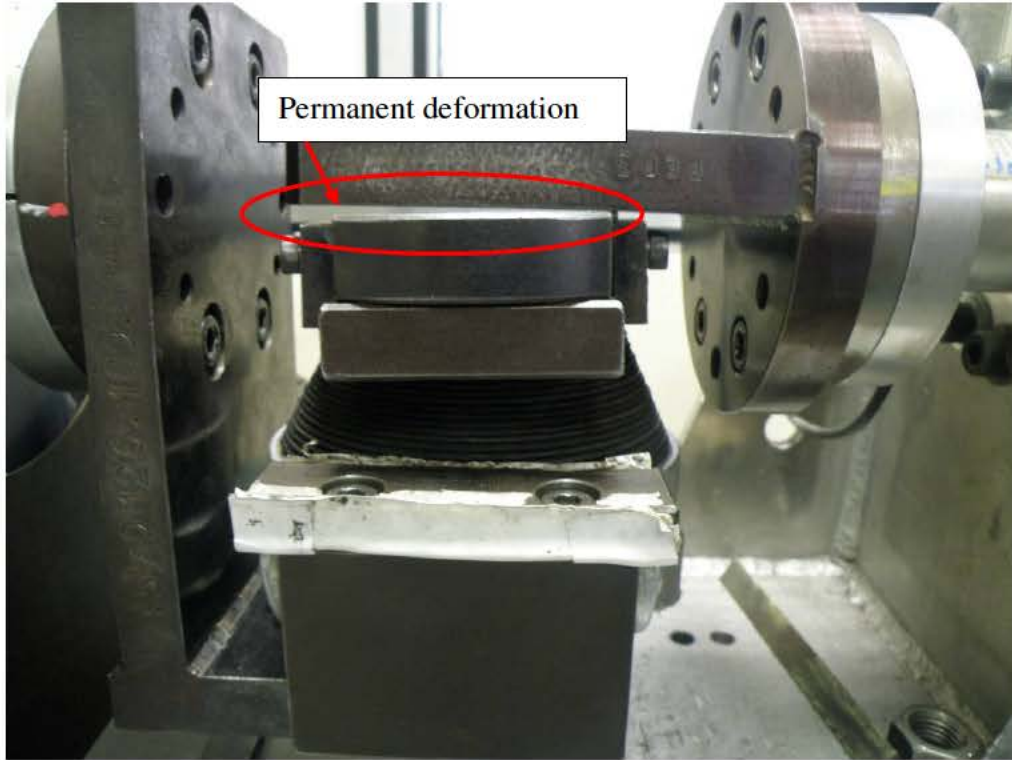
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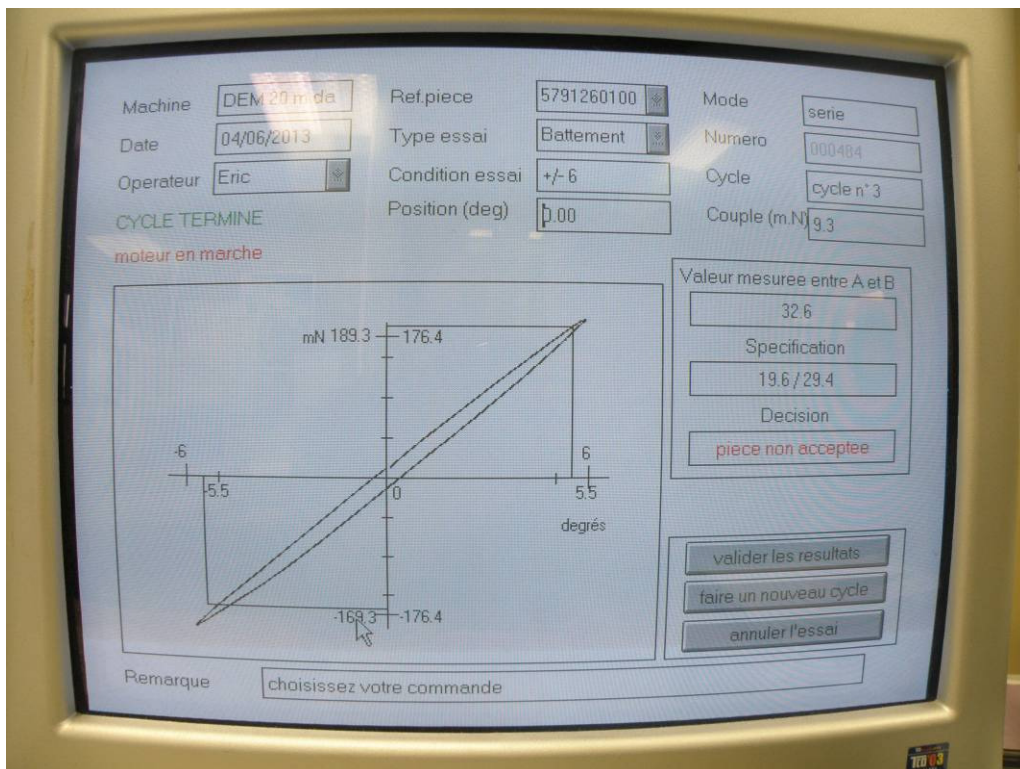
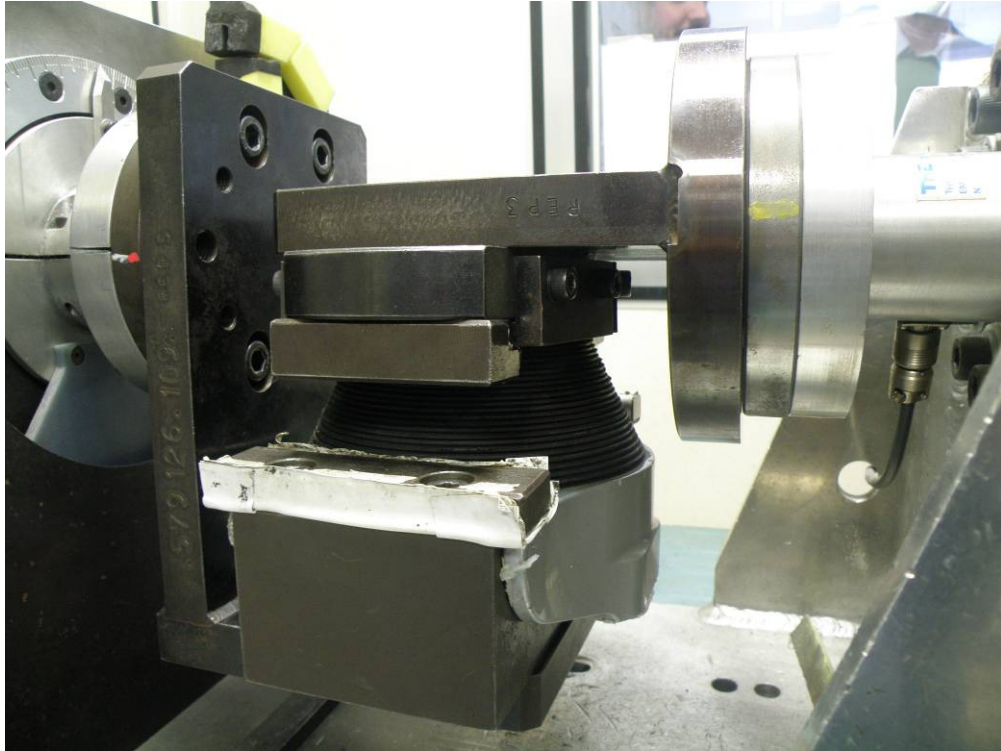
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