



Objective

Ensure operability and reliability of wet gas compressor concepts through;

- *Specification;*
 - Fluid variation and behaviour
 - Performance flexibility,
 - Mechanical robustness
- *Testing;*
 - Inert versus actual fluid,
 - Performance range and stability
 - Mechanical integrity
- *Operation;*
 - Variation in operating conditions
 - Condition monitoring
 - Stability, Surge and Performance Control



PhD Projects

- *Multiphase Pump Performance, Viscous Fluid and Stability*
- *Wet Gas Pressure Recovery - Diffuser Performance*
- *Compressor Integration - Transient Behaviour at Trip*
- *Gas Turbine Online Water Wash (Wet Compression)*
- *Wet Gas Compressor Performance (HC fluid)*
- *Optimum Gas Compression and Transportation*
- *Wet Gas Surge Stability and Range*
- *Gas Turbine Intake Filters Performance*
- *Wet Gas Compressor Transient Analysis**
- *Turbo Expander Performance and Control**
- *Wet Gas Compressor Performance Correction**



Impeller Rig Design



Impeller Rig

Rig main data

- *Variable speed electric motor; 450 kW, 500 – 11000 rpm*
- *Adjustable components for testing different impeller and diffuser geometries and configurations*
- *Impeller tip diameter range 300 – 500 mm*
- *Diffuser window for visual observation*
- *Vibration and fast response dynamic pressure sensors*
- *Digital torque meter integrated with the coupling*
- *Injection module: up to 50 kg water/s – single annular nozzle*



Impeller Rig

Operating Conditions

- **Fluid; Air and water**
Future; Exxol and nitrogen
Future; Reduced density ratio. New gas and liquid
- **Dry and wet at atmospheric condition**
Future; 4 bar suction, 8 bar discharge
- **Temperature** **15 to 35 C**
- **Gas mass fraction** **1.0 – 0.5**
- **Gas volume fraction** **1.0 – 0.99 (0.97)**
- **Gas volume flow** **0.9 – 1.7 m³/s**
- **Rotational speed** **5.000 - 11.000 rpm**
- **Liquid flow regime at inlet; Dispersed, annular, and segregated**



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Instrumentation

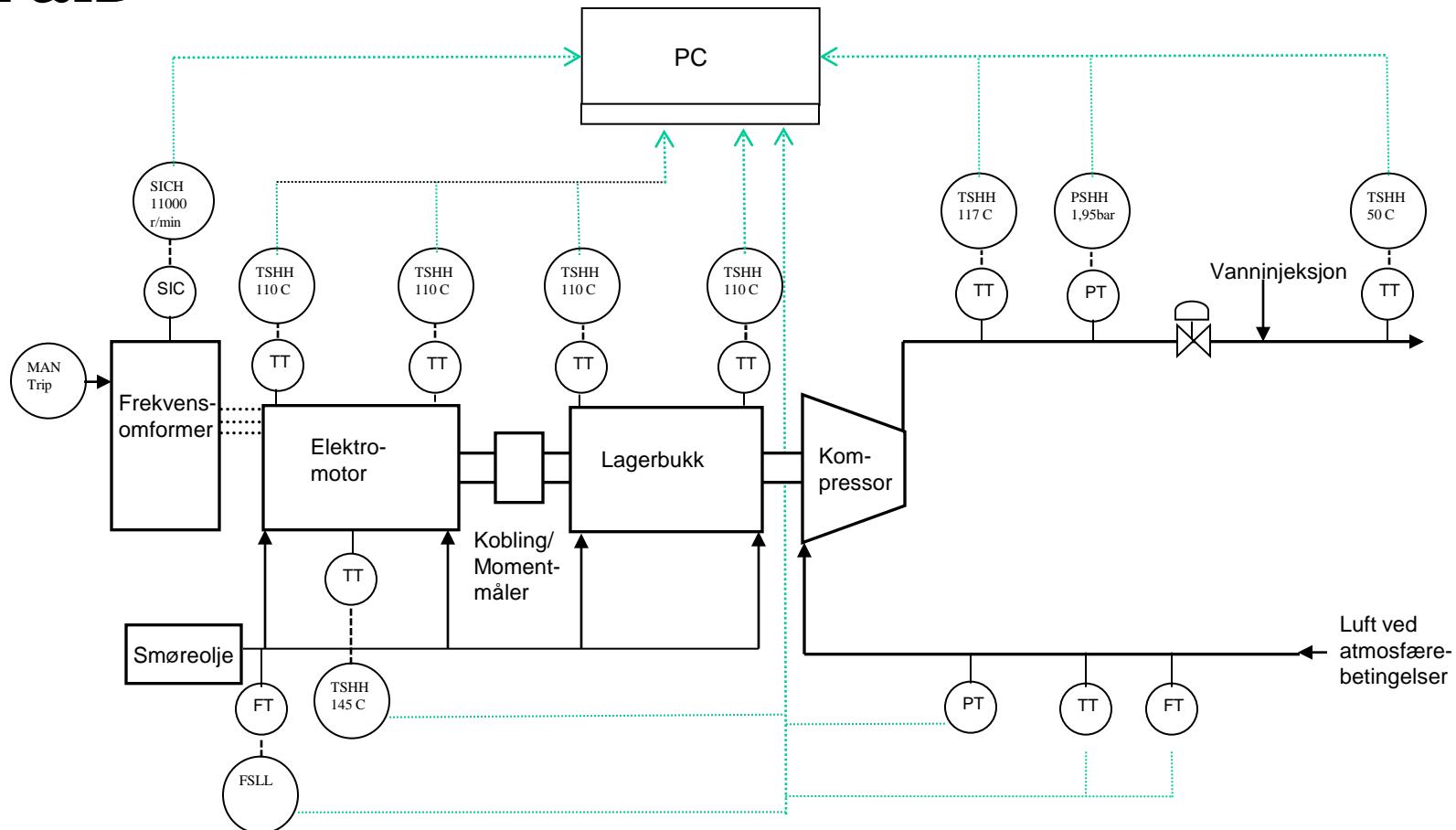
- *Instrumentation according to ASME PTC10*
- *Static to static, suction to discharge pressure and temperature measurements*
Future; Stagnation and total conditions
- *PXI system for data sampling*
- *Basic performance instrumentation (1 Hz sampling)*
- *Vibration and fast response dynamic pressure sensors*
 - *Accelerometers for machinery protection and experimental investigation and 4 FRDP sensors located at inlet, outlet and diffuser*
 - *20 kHz synchronous sampling*





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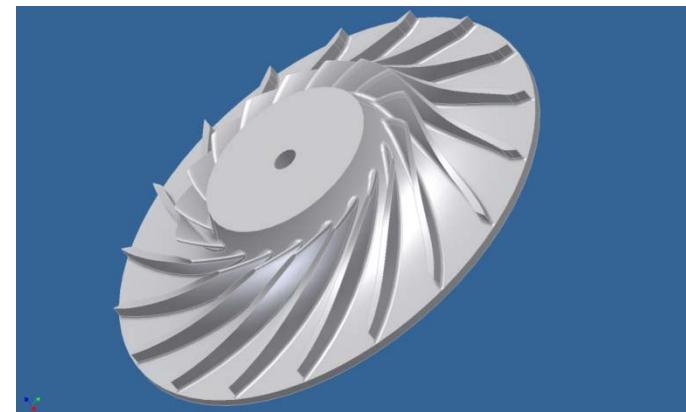




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Impeller design I

- *NTNU impeller;*
 - *Designed, fabricated and tested*
 - *Removable shroud*
 - *Prepared for visualisation slots*
 - *Diffuser visualisation slots installed*
 - *Design data;*
 - *Tip diameter* 0.455 mm
 - *Inlet hub diameter:* 173.9 mm
 - *Tip width:* 14 mm
 - *Diffuser ratio:* 1.7





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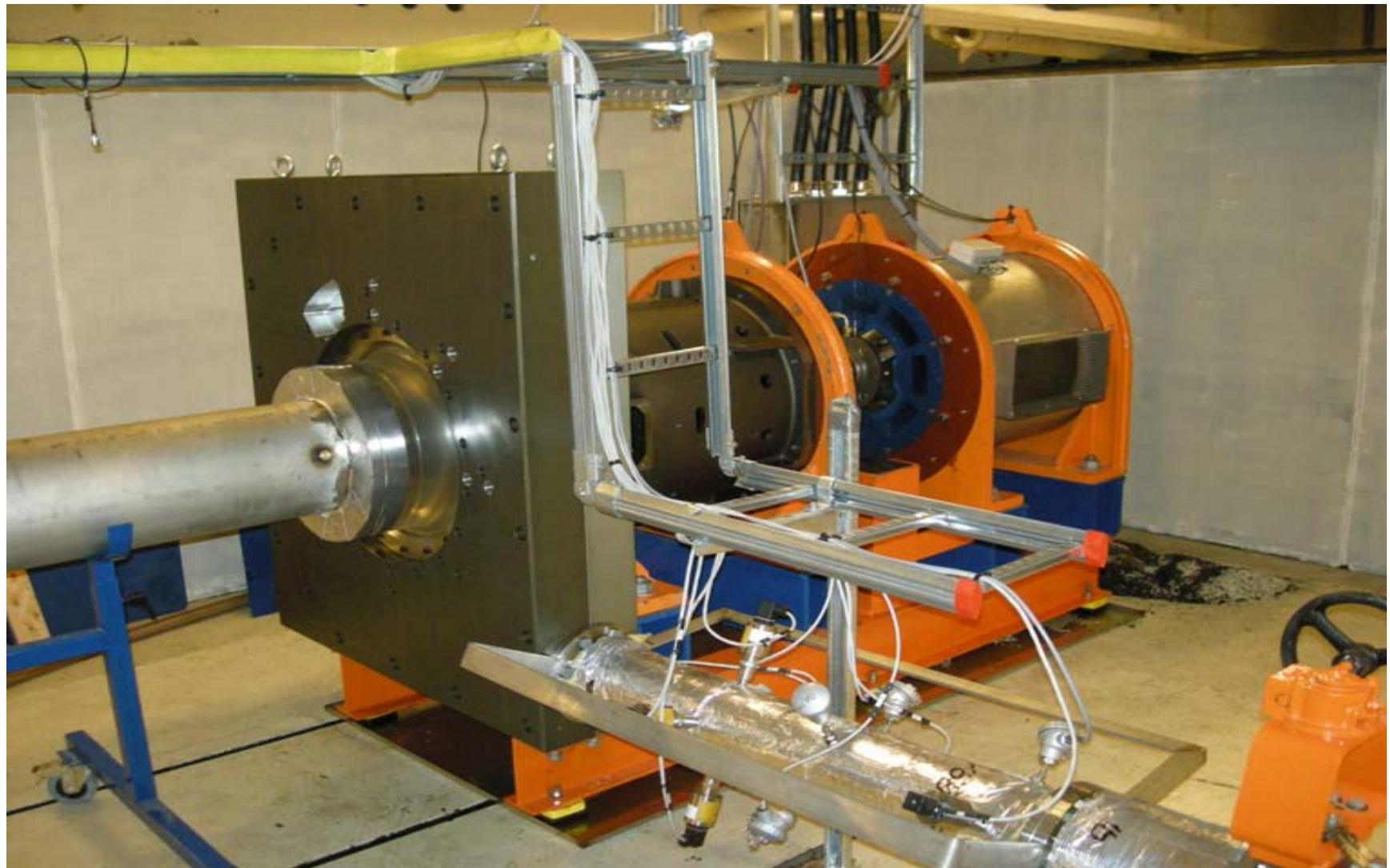
Impeller design II

- *Industrial impeller;*
 - *Designed, fabricated and tested at 11 000 rpm*
 - *Removable shroud*
 - *Prepared for visualisation slots*
 - *Diffuser visualisation slots installed*
 - *Design data;*
 - *Hub diameter* 146 mm
 - *Shroud diameter* 195 mm
 - *Tip diameter* 384.6 mm
 - *Tip width* 7.18 mm
 - *Diffuser ratio* 1.93





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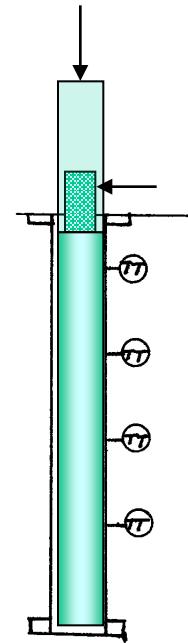




Research Activities



*Wet Gas Thermal Equilibrium
Flow visualisation
Wet Gas Cascade Tests
Thermodynamic and Fluid Property Fundamentals
Performance Correction
Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD)
Wet Gas Surge and Stability*



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