

PRODUCT NOTE

# **ABB Ability™ Smart Sensor**

# Condition monitoring for low voltage motors



ABB Ability™ Smart Sensor is a condition monitoring solution that makes predictive maintenance possible for low voltage motors. By monitoring and analyzing data on motor operating parameters, motor users can avoid unexpected downtime, optimize efficiency and improve safety.

## **Enabling predictive maintenance for LV motors**

In the past, permanently installed condition monitoring was too expensive to use with the majority of LV motors. As a result, most of these motors were run until they failed. ABB's new cost-efficient solution changes all that. With a payback time estimated at less than one year, it makes remote monitoring possible for practically all LV motors – plants can even implement condition monitoring for their entire LV motor fleet. Condition monitoring means that maintenance activities can be planned in advance, which reduces downtime and supports longer motor lifetimes.

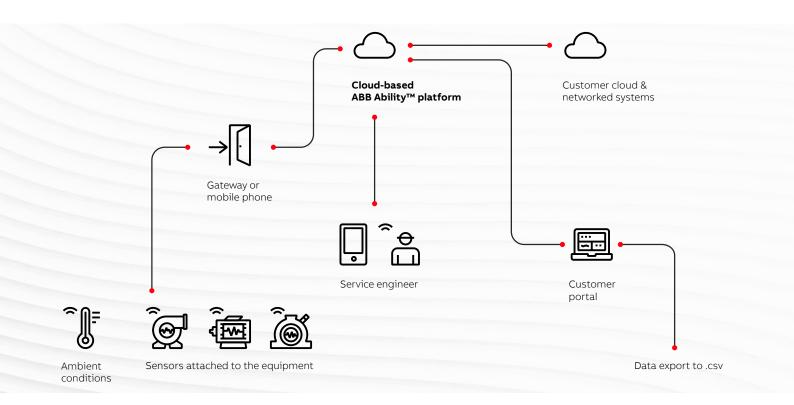
At the same time the solution generates 'big data' on the status of large numbers of motors, paving the way for predictive maintenance and plant-wide optimization of operations and energy consumption.

## Easy-to-fit smart sensing technology

At the heart of the solution is a compact sensor unit that is easily attached to motors without the need for wiring. Selected ranges of ABB LV motors can be factory fitted with the sensors as an option. For already installed motors, retrofit kits are available that enable motors to be field upgraded with sensors. Mounting and configuring the sensors takes only a few minutes. They are compatible with almost all LV motors, whether new or old, from ABB or other vendors.

The sensor monitors signals from the motor, accurately measuring key parameters at regular intervals. It transfers the data using built-in Bluetooth® Low Energy technology to a smartphone or gateway and to a secure cloud-based server. Data communications use industry standard encryption protocols, and all data are stored in the cloud in an encrypted form.

Advanced algorithms based on ABB's extensive know-how analyze the data and produce meaningful information. The server sends this information directly to the user's smartphone and to a dedicated ABB Ability<sup>TM</sup> Smart Sensor portal. Data is also tracked over time for trend analysis.



01 ABB's condition monitoring solution for LV motors: The ABB Ability™ Smart Sensor transmits data via a smartphone or gateway to a secure cloud service. Algorithms analyze the data and convert it into meaningful information, which is sent to the user's smartphone and customer portal.

#### Intuitive interface

Users can check the status of their motors at any time with their smartphone via the ABB Ability™ Smart Sensor app. The interface includes a 'traffic light' display to give a quick overview of all the motors that are being monitored. Users also receive clear recommendations on how to optimize maintenance and save costs.



## RED

Critical issue – failure likely soon. Take action as soon as possible.



#### **YELLOW**

Operation can continue but the motor should be watched closely and serviced at the next possible opportunity.



### GREEN

Motor fine - operation can continue.

## Smart motors and intelligent maintenance

ABB Ability™ Smart Sensor converts machines that have always been rather simple into smart, wirelessly connected devices. It provides meaningful information on motor condition and performance, enabling users to put intelligence into their maintenance. Plants can now plan maintenance according to actual needs rather than on the basis of time intervals or operating hours alone. This cuts maintenance costs and reduces or even eliminates unplanned stops.

There are also opportunities to optimize motors' energy consumption. By combining data on the energy consumption levels of individual motors with plant operating information, it is possible to select the most appropriate motors to cut energy costs. The solution supports plant operators' efforts to reduce their overall cost of motor ownership.

### Factory of the future with digital powertrains

Smart, connected factories are the future of manufacturing. ABB Ability™ connects users to the power of the Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT). ABB Ability™ can combine data collected by the motor sensor with data from other connected equipment, such as variable-speed drives and pumps. This data can be accessed and analyzed remotely, providing deeper insight into the health of the entire process. ABB offers a unique digital advantage by combining connectivity and data analytics with industrial expertise to make operations efficient, predictable and safe.

Parameters	Description	Availability
Measured parameters		
Vibration: axial, radial, tangential	mm/s or inch/sec, rms	•
Skin temperature	°C or °F	•
Magnetic field	(Data not shown; used in calculations)	•
Accoustic signals	(Data not shown; used in calculations)	•
Гime	MM:dd:hh:mm:ss	•
/ibration fft and time waveform	Special report	•
Calculated health parameters		
Overall motor condition	Traffic light for consolidated status	•
Overall vibration	Traffic light, mm/s or inch/sec, rms	•
Bearing condition	Traffic light, integer value	•
Misalignment	Traffic light, %	•
Jnbalance	Traffic light	•
Bent shaft	Traffic light	•
Rotor winding health	Traffic light	•
Calculated operating parameters		
Output power	kW	•
Operating hours	Hours	•
Number of starts	Integer value	•
Speed	Revolutions per minute (rpm)	•
Motor supply frequency	Hz	•
oading	% of name plate full load power	•
Torque	Nm	•
Direction of rotation	Clockwise / counterclockwise	•
Maintenance advice		
Alerts, alarms, reminders	In app, per e-mail, push, webhook	•
Regreasing	Remaining hours until next regreasing	•
Sensor unit and battery status		•
Certifications		
P 66		•
CE		•
FCC, UL, C-UL		•
NEC Intrinsically Safe	Class 1, Div. 2	
ECEx Intrinsically Safe	Ex iB IIB T4 Gb, -40 °C to +80 °C	•
Compatibility	·	
nduction motors	Frame sizes: 140-440 (NEMA), 56-450 (IEC)	•
Permanent magnet/synchronous reluctanc		•
Safe area motors		•
Hazardous area motors		•
Continuous and intermittent duty		•
Fixed speed and variable speed		•
Old and new motors		•
ABB and non-ABB motors		•

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