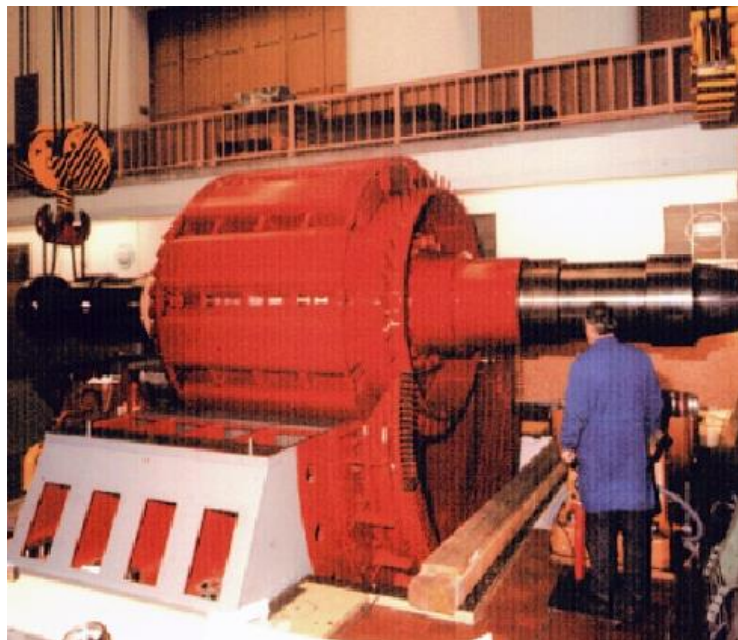


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Inhalt der Vorlesung

- 1. Allgemeines über den Elektromaschinenbau

Von den Anfängen zum „state-of-the-art“ - Ausblick

- 2. Hochleistungskühlung:

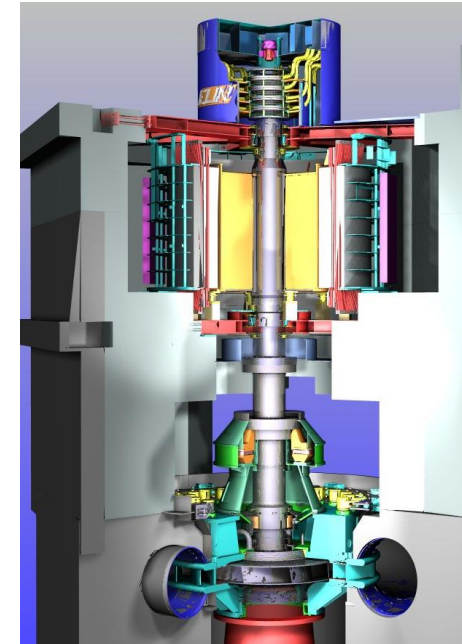
Hohlleiterkühlung, Wasserstoff- und Wasserkühlung, Topair-Luftkühlung

- 3. Wirkungsgradoptimierung:

Wirbelstromverluste verlustarme Maschinenbemessung, Sonderwerkstoffe, Zusatzverluste bei Umrichterspeisung

- 4. Erregerbedarf von Synchronmaschinen

Erregersysteme, Ermittlung des Erregerbedarfs



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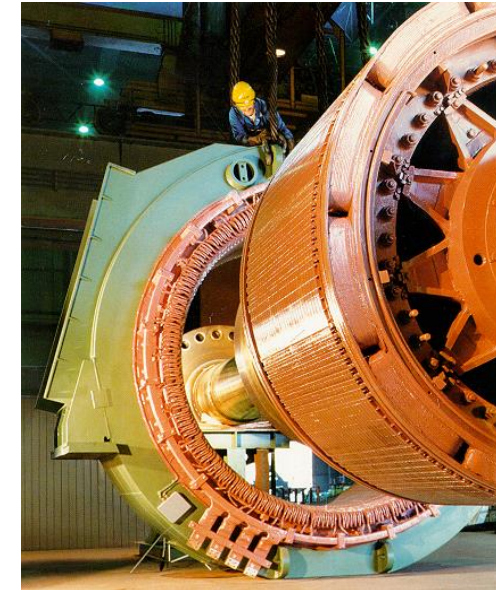
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- 5. Große Synchronmaschinen elektrische Energieerzeugung: Turbogeneratoren für thermische Kraftwerke, Schenkelpolgeneratoren für Hydro-Kraftwerke
- 6. Windgeneratoren und Hochleistungsantriebe: Doppeltgespeiste und getriebelose Windgeneratoren, Stromrichter-motoren und große Permanentmagnetmaschinen (Schiffsantriebe, Verdichter, Rohrmühlen, Drehöfen, Großgebläse)
- 7. Kräfte und Schwingungsanregungen: Elektrodynamische Parasitärkräfte, Vibrations- und Geräuschanregung, einseitiger magnetischer Zug, Kurzschlusskräfte und Gegenmaßnahmen



Organization

- **Down-load** of slides (pdf)
- **Paper copy: Text book & Tutorial**
- **Demo videos** via Moodle platform **link**
- **Excursion** offered



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Type of examination

Written examination

1 hour

Ca. Six questions with about 10 min. per question

2 dates per year

List of questions: see text book



Learning outcomes

Understanding of **manufacturing and design processes**

- of large salient pole and cylindrical rotor synchronous machines

Knowledge of **cooling for large electrical machines up to highest rated power**

- Hollow conductors, flow distribution, different coolant types

Knowledge of **loss mechanisms, especially additional eddy current losses**

- Special winding arrangements to reduce additional losses

Understanding of **calculating the magnetic circuits and field current excitation**

Knowledge on **large inverter-fed synchronous and induction machines**

Detailed knowledge **on forces in large electrical machines**

Calculation examples for better insight on technical details



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1. Manufacturing of Large Electrical Machines

1.1 History and significance of electric machinery

1.2 State-of-the art of medium and high power machines

1.3 Trends in large generators and high power drives



Source: Andritz Hydro, Austria



1.1 History and significance of electric machinery

- First electric machines in the second half of the 19th century. Main focus on DC machines and permanent magnet excitation.

1866: Discovery of self-excitation of shunt-wound DC generators, based on iron remanence ("dynamoelektrisches Prinzip") by *Werner v. Siemens, Germany*

→ Strong development of DC-machines: 1881 Int. Ele. Exhibition, *Paris!*

1885: *Prof. Ferraris (Torino, Italy)* describes rotating magnetic field principle

→ Strong development of AC synchronous and induction machines

1888: First cage induction machines, *Michael v. Dolivo-Dobrowolsky, AEG, Berlin, Germany*

1901: First cylindrical rotor synchronous machines, *Charles E. Brown, Brown-Boveri-Company, Mannheim, Germany*

→ strong development of high speed AC synchronous generators for steam turbine operation

1912: Invention of twisting of copper strands to reduce AC eddy current losses in copper conductors, *Ludwig Roebel, BBC, Mannheim, Germany*



1.1 History and significance of electric machinery

- First electric transformers:

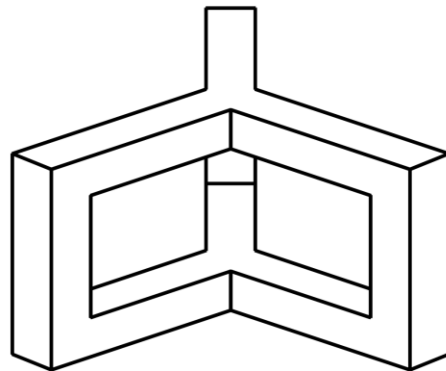
1830: Discovery of law of induction by *Michael Faraday, London, England*

1856: *S. Varley, England*, constructs a transformer with a closed iron core

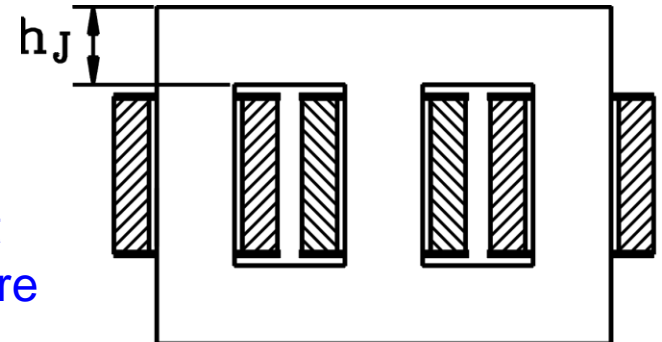
1881: *Blathy, Deri and Zipernovský* build at the *Ganz factories, Budapest, Austrian-Hungarian Empire*, the first modern single phase transformer with iron core and separated low and high voltage winding

1890: *Michael v. Dolivo-Dobrowolsky* constructs and builds the first three-phase transformer with three-leg iron core, first in the so-called „temple type” construction, at *AEG, Berlin, Germany*

Temple type:
Magnetically symmetric iron-core for 3-phase transformers



Modern flat three-leg type:
Magnetically asymmetric, but cheaper iron-core for 3-phase transformers



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Proof of **economically feasible transport of high power electric energy**:

1886 DC-line with a power of 30 kW, 2500 V via 8 km from *Kriegstetten to Solothurn, Switzerland*, manufactured by *Maschinenfabrik Oerlikon*

1891 Three-phase AC transmission of an apparent power of 210 kVA via 175 km from *Lauffen/Neckar to Frankfurt/Main, Germany* (Ch. Brown, M. v. Dolivo-Dobrowolsky)

- Advantages of AC transmission by high voltage and power transformers clearly understood.

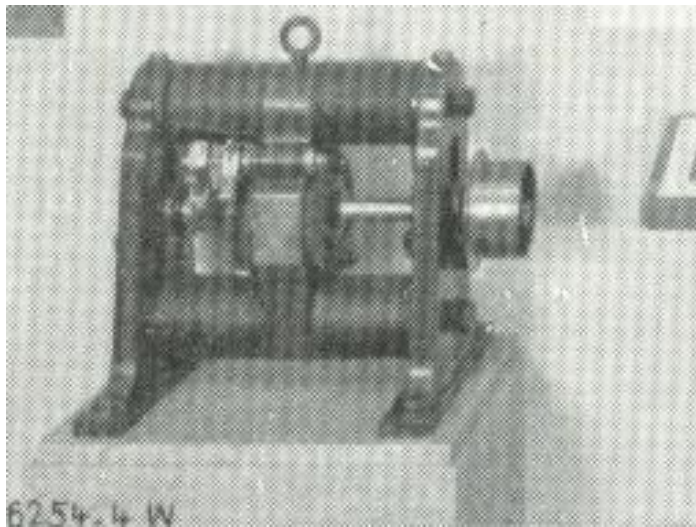
- End of the quarrel between DC and AC protagonists (DC: *Th. A. Edison*, AC: *N. Tesla*) in favor of AC transmission

- With the advent of the power thyristor in 1955 the high voltage DC transmission becomes a interesting alternative (HV DC). Only real power is transmitted, no travelling waves, no capacitive AC loading current. Pioneers e.g. *Robert Joetten, TU Darmstadt* (1970-ties).

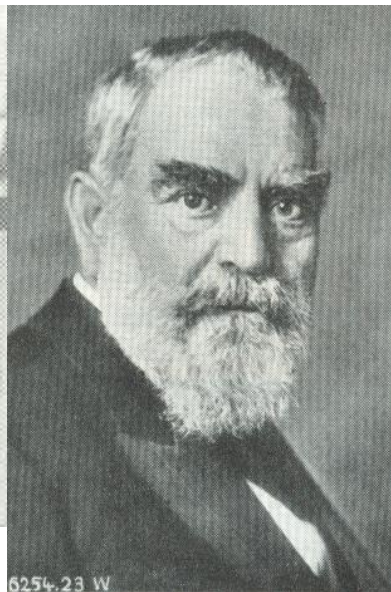


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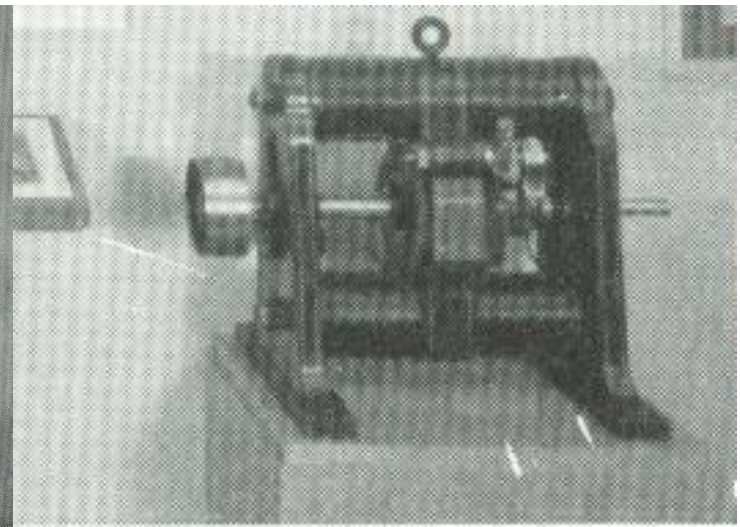
1882: *M. Deprez*: First DC electrical power transmission: From *Miesbach* to *Munich* via 57 km a power of ca. 1000 W, 2000 V was transmitted, based on an idea of *Oskar v. Miller*



Two-pole DC Generator



Oskar von Miller

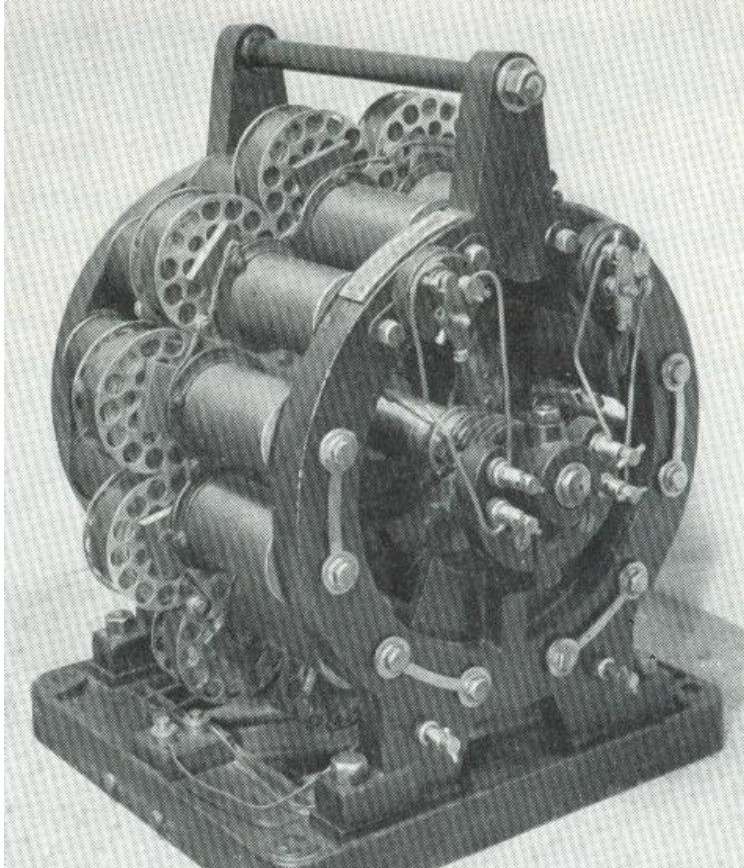


Two-pole DC Motor

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Early salient pole synchronous generators



Hefner-Alteneck's salient pole synchronous generator

1878: Hefner-Alteneck, Siemens & Halske, Nuremberg, Germany

12-pole salient-pole synchronous generator with rotating coils as a two-phase system

Fixed stator permanent magnets as excitation

Axial-flux type machine

No iron core to avoid eddy currents as iron losses

Source: ETZ-A, Elektrotechn. Zeitschrift

Similar salient-pole synchronous generators with rotating DC excitation, iron core and stator ring coils by **Gramme in Belgium**: Four phase system

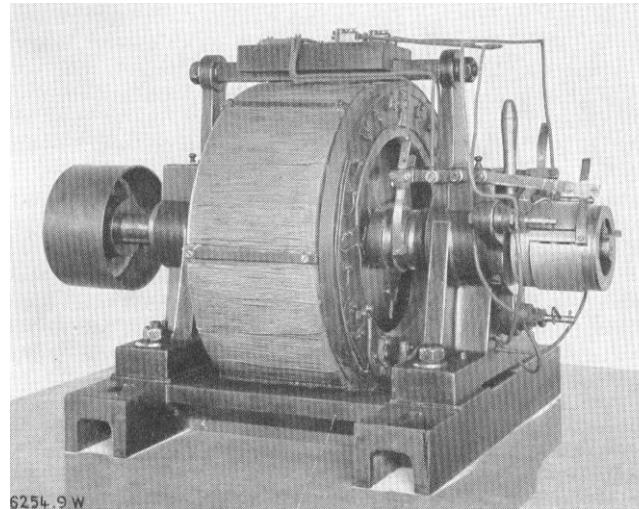
Multi-phase systems used only as separate single phase systems for electric lighting!

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Early salient pole synchronous motors

1882 – 1888: Patents and prototypes of two-phase synchronous salient pole generators and motors by

- *Nicola Tesla, USA, Charles Schenk Bradley, USA, Friedrich A. Haselwander, Germany*



Friedrich A. Haselwander: His synchronous generator
The machines feature *Gramme's* ring coils a stator winding.

His synchronous 4-pole motor

Source: *ETZ-A, Elektrotechn. Zeitschrift*



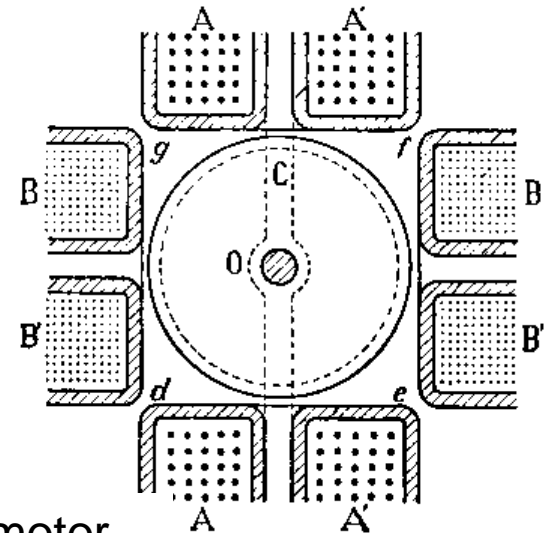
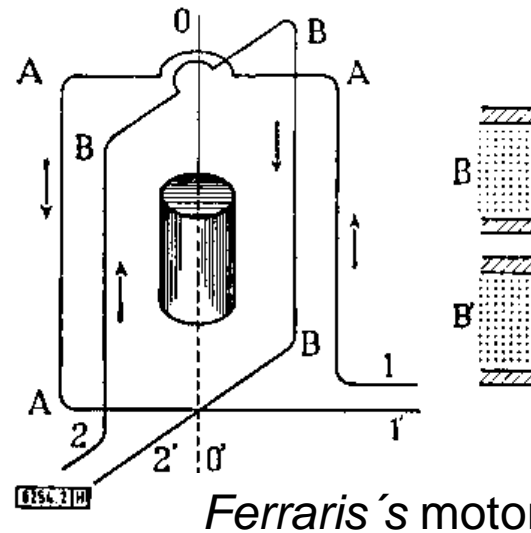
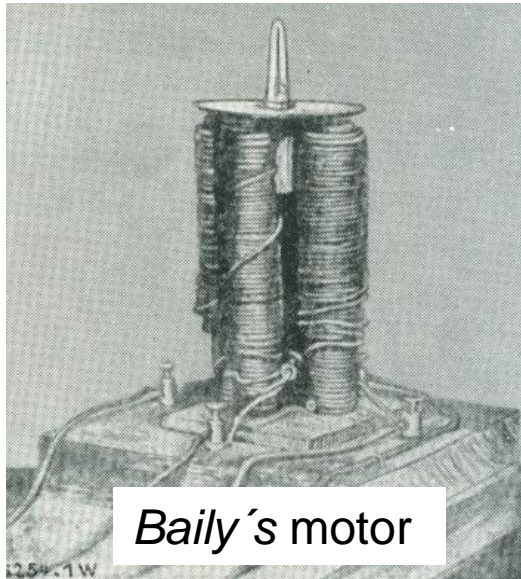
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1824: *L. Arago, Paris, France*: A rotating magnet induces eddy currents in a copper disc, which also starts to rotate.

1879: *Walter Baily, London, England*: The rotating magnet field is generated by four coils on iron cores, where a DC current is switched from coil to coil.

1885: *Galileo Ferraris, Torino, Italy*: The rotating field is generated by two 90° shifted coils A, B, fed by a two-phase current system. Published in 1888, *G. Ferraris* predicts a maximum efficiency of 50%, which is wrong.

History of rotating field

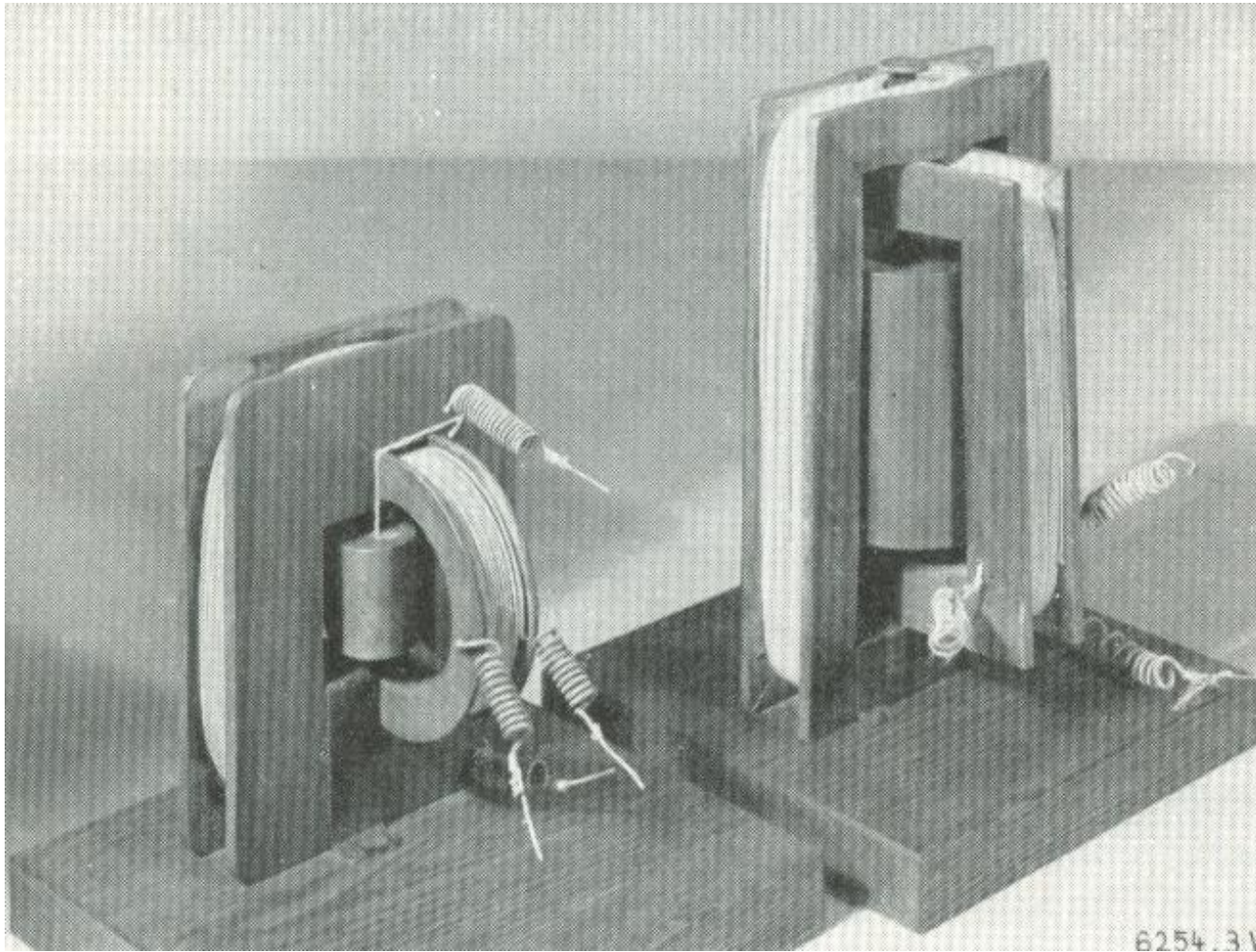


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Early induction motors: Replicas of *Ferraris*'s motors (1885)



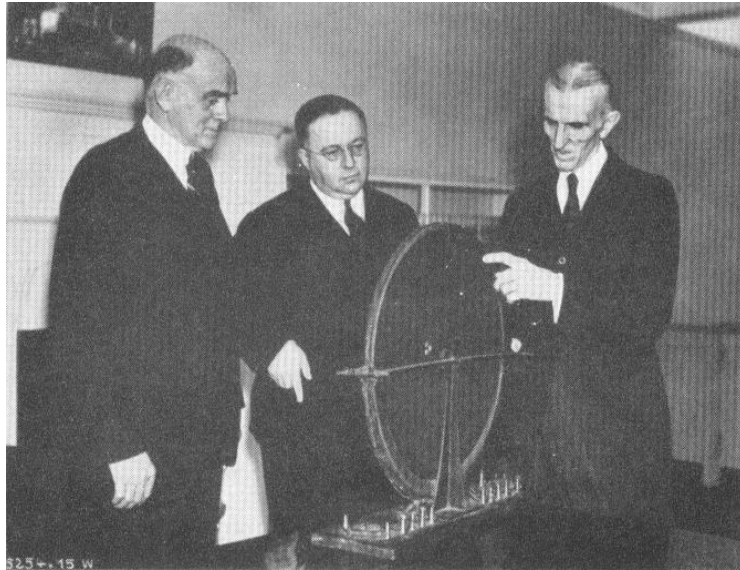
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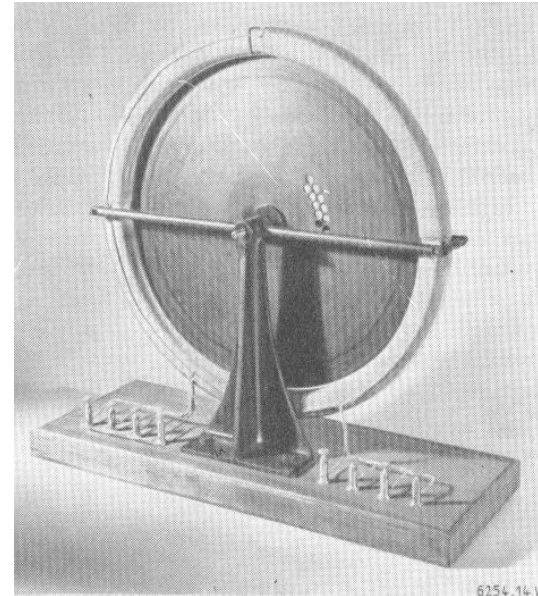


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Nicola Tesla's early induction motor (1887)



N. Tesla (right) presents his first iron disc induction motor in a later meeting. Photograph from *Tesla-Museum, Belgrade, Serbia*.



Source: ETZ-A, *Elektrotechn. Zeitschrift*

Replica of N. Tesla's iron disc induction motor of 1887. Two-phase stator winding with Gramme's ring coils

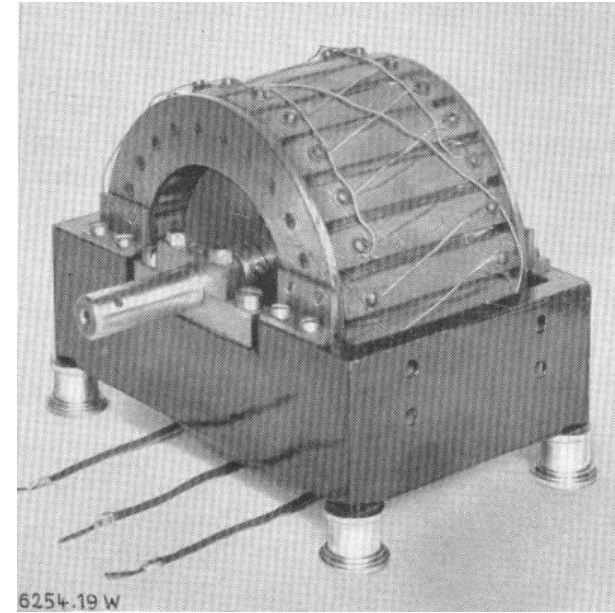
$\frac{1}{2}$ PS, 50% efficiency

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Michael v. Dolivo-Dobrowolsky's first multi-phase cage induction motor (1889), rotor similar to modern motors



- Stator: 24 Gramme ring coils, switchable to different phase numbers
- Rotor:
 - a) 24 copper bars with end rings in closed slots
 - b) 25 slots to minimize cogging
- Power 1/10 PS, efficiency 80%, operated with 3 stator phases



Michael v. Dolivo-Dobrowolsky's first cage induction motor of 1889.

Michael v. Dolivo-Dobrowolsky
1862-1919

Source: Neidhöfer, G.; VDE-Verlag

Source: ETZ-A, Elektrotechn. Zeitschrift



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Patent drawings of the squirrel rotor cage of *Michael v. Dolivo-Dobrowolsky's* cage induction motor (1889), built at *AEG, Berlin*

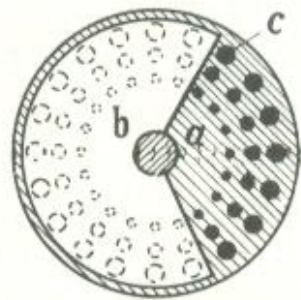


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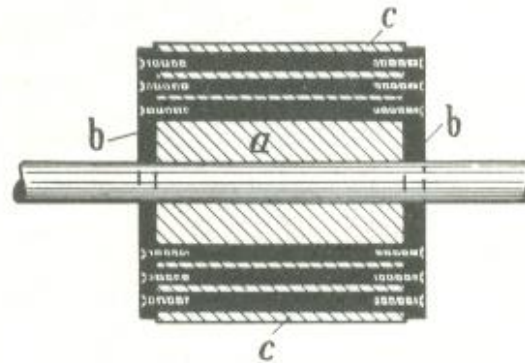
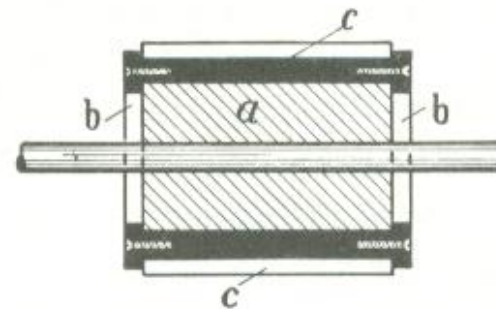


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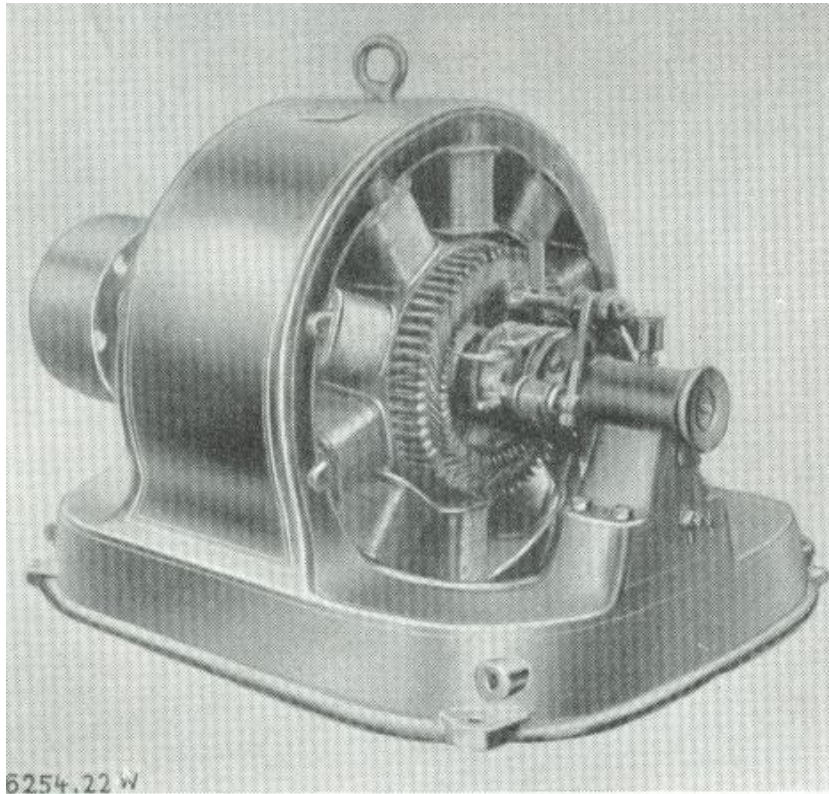
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Jonas Wenström's first three-phase salient pole synchronous generator (1889), built at ASEA, Sweden

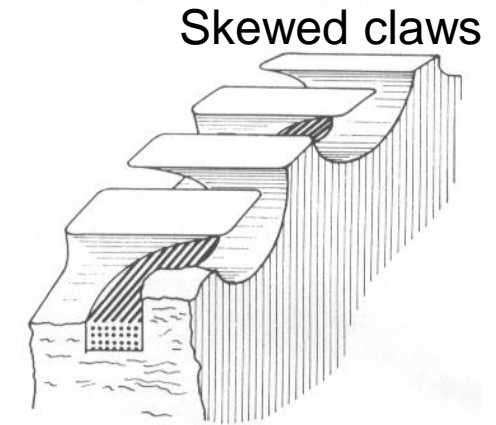
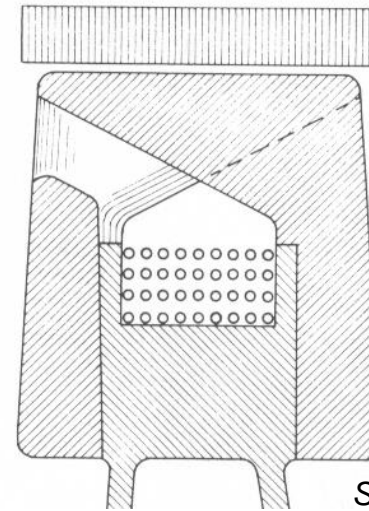
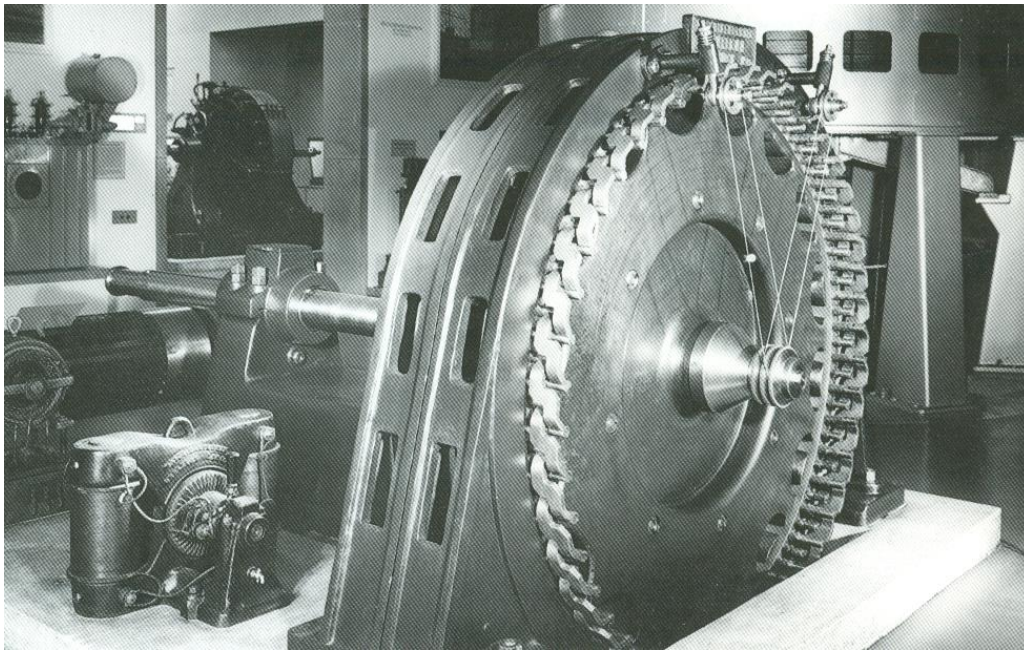


- 10 kVA, 10 poles, 420/min, 60 Hz
- Stator: Fixed electrically excited ten poles,
- Rotor: 3-phase distributed winding in slots, three slip rings to transmit the electrical power

Source: ETZ-A, Elektrotechn. Zeitschrift

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1891: *Ch. Brown, M. v. Dolivo-Dobrowolsky*: First three-phase AC electrical power transmission: From *Lauffen/Neckar* to *Frankfurt/Main* via 175 km a power of 300 PS, 30 kV, 40 Hz was transmitted, based on an idea of *Oskar v. Miller*



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Claw-pole rotor, 32 poles formed by 32 claws, ring coil as excitation

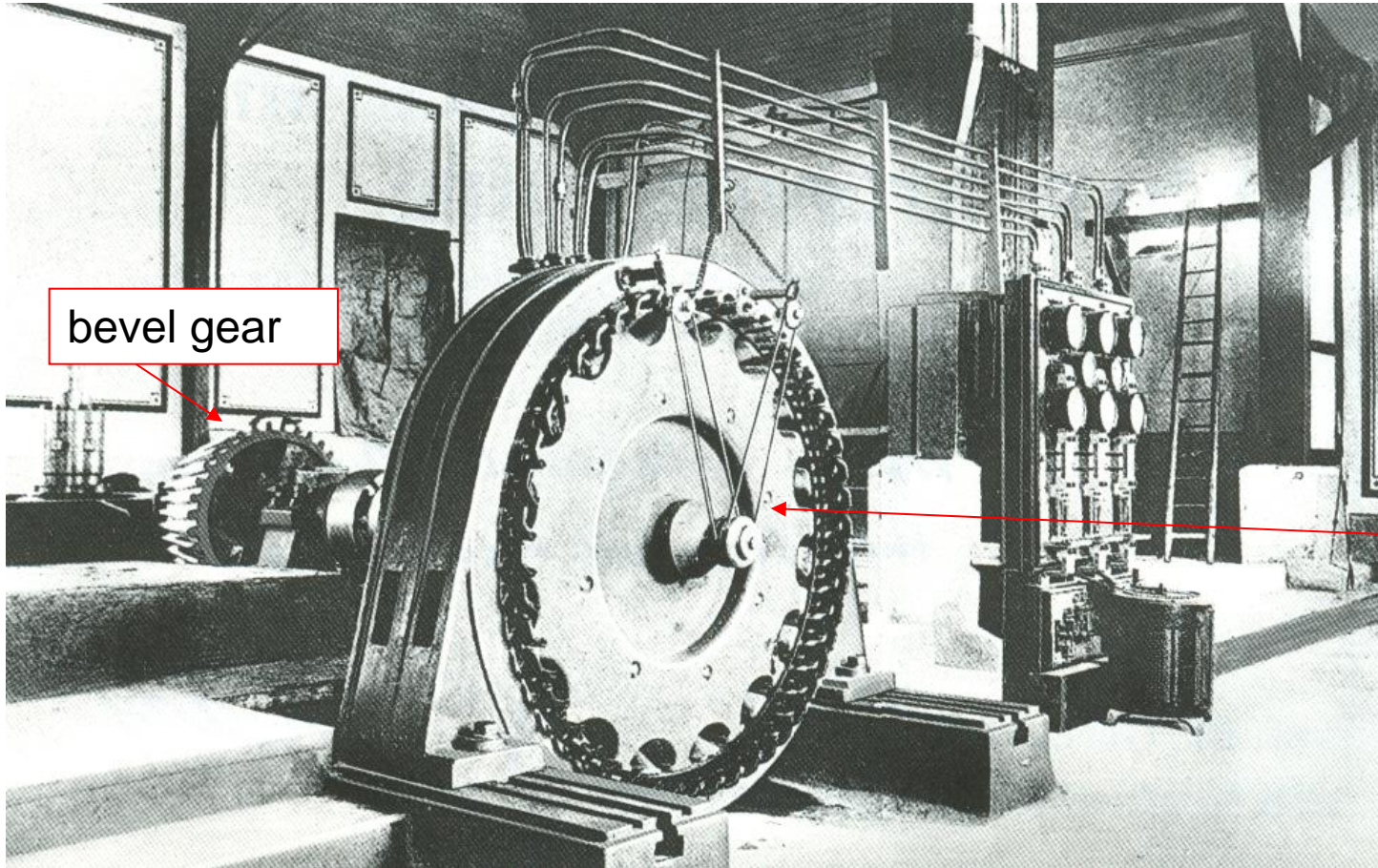
Synchronous claw-pole generator, 210 kW, 95 V line, 1400 A, 150/min, 40 Hz, 32 poles, distributed stator winding, 3 phases, $q = 1$ slot per pole and phase, efficiency 96.5%

Generator design:
Ch. Brown, Maschinenfabrik Oerlikon, Switzerland



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Lauffen/Neckar power station 1891



- Generator driven by a bevel gear
- Generator rotor excitation via metal rolls and metal ropes

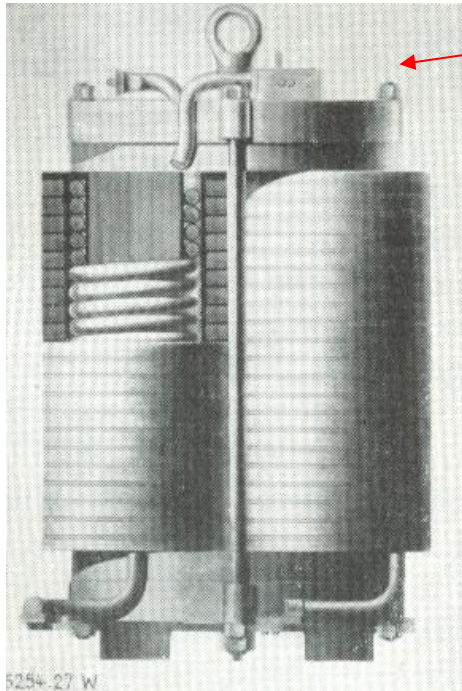
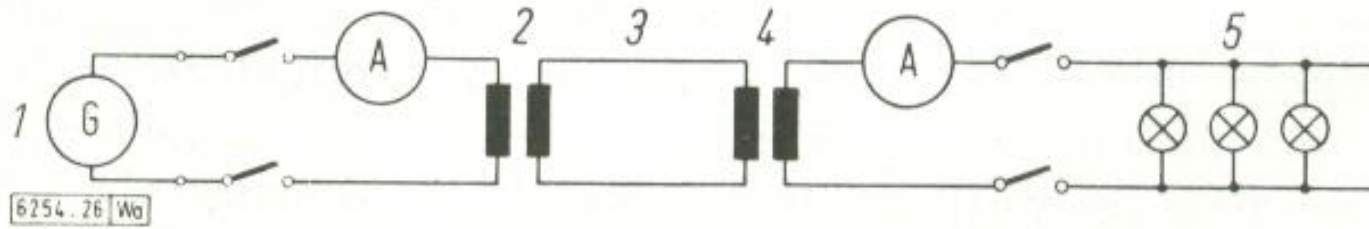
Metal rolls & ropes

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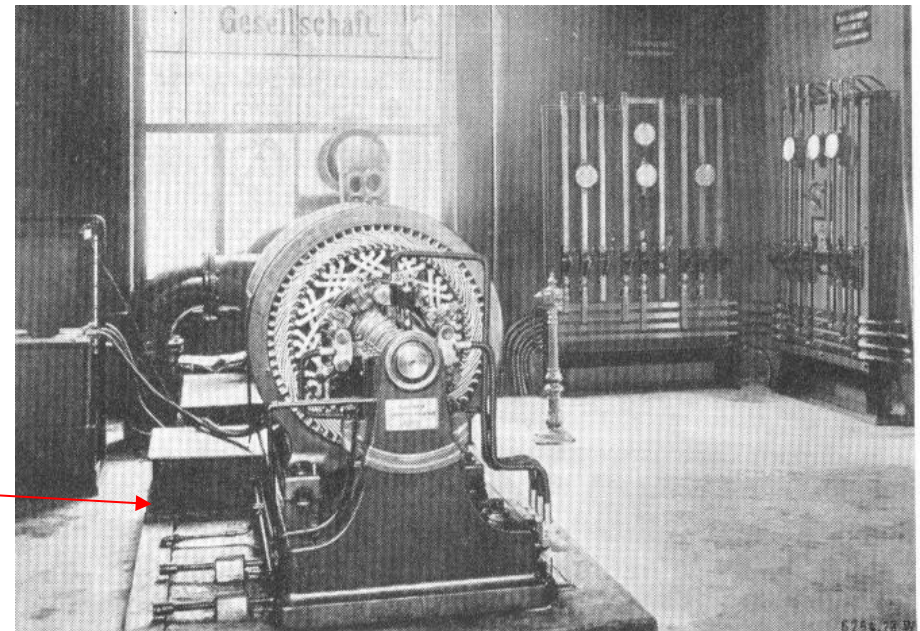
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First 3-phase AC electrical power transmission: *Lauffen/Neckar to Frankfurt/Main*



(4): Oil-insulated temple-type 150 kVA/30 kV-transformer (AEG) at *Frankfurt*

(5): 100-PS-Slip ring induction motor (AEG) at *Frankfurt*, left: transformer



Source: Neidhöfer, G., VDE-Verlag



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First 3-phase AC electrical power transmission:

Lauffen/Neckar to Frankfurt/Main

Operation results:

At 25 kV and 24 Hz a power of 180 PS was transmitted at an overall efficiency of 75%



Visit of the *Lauffen*
power station at the river
Neckar (1891)

Source: *ETZ-A, Elektrotechn. Zeitschrift*



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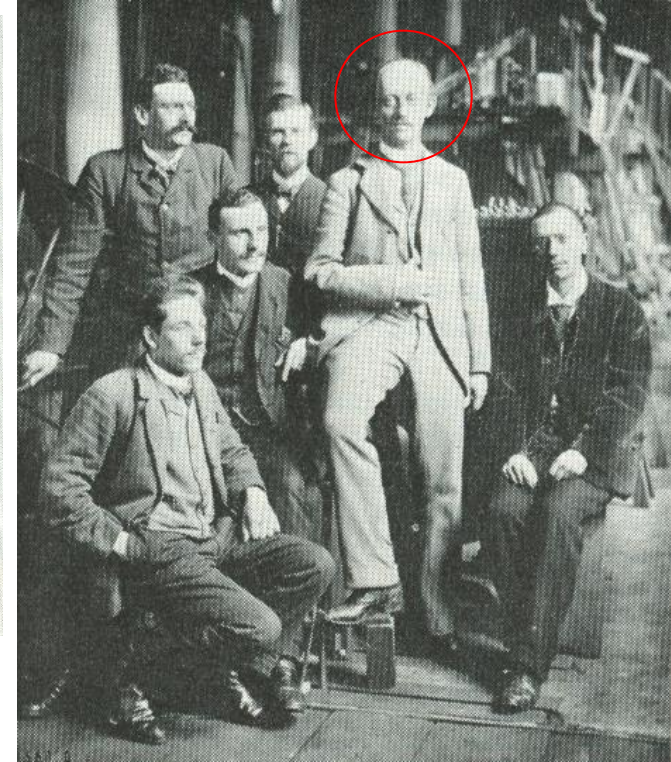
Michael von Dolivo-Dobrowolsky (1862-1919)



1885: With *Prof. Erasmus Kittler* at TH Darmstadt (now TU Darmstadt)



1900: At the age of 38 at AEG, Berlin

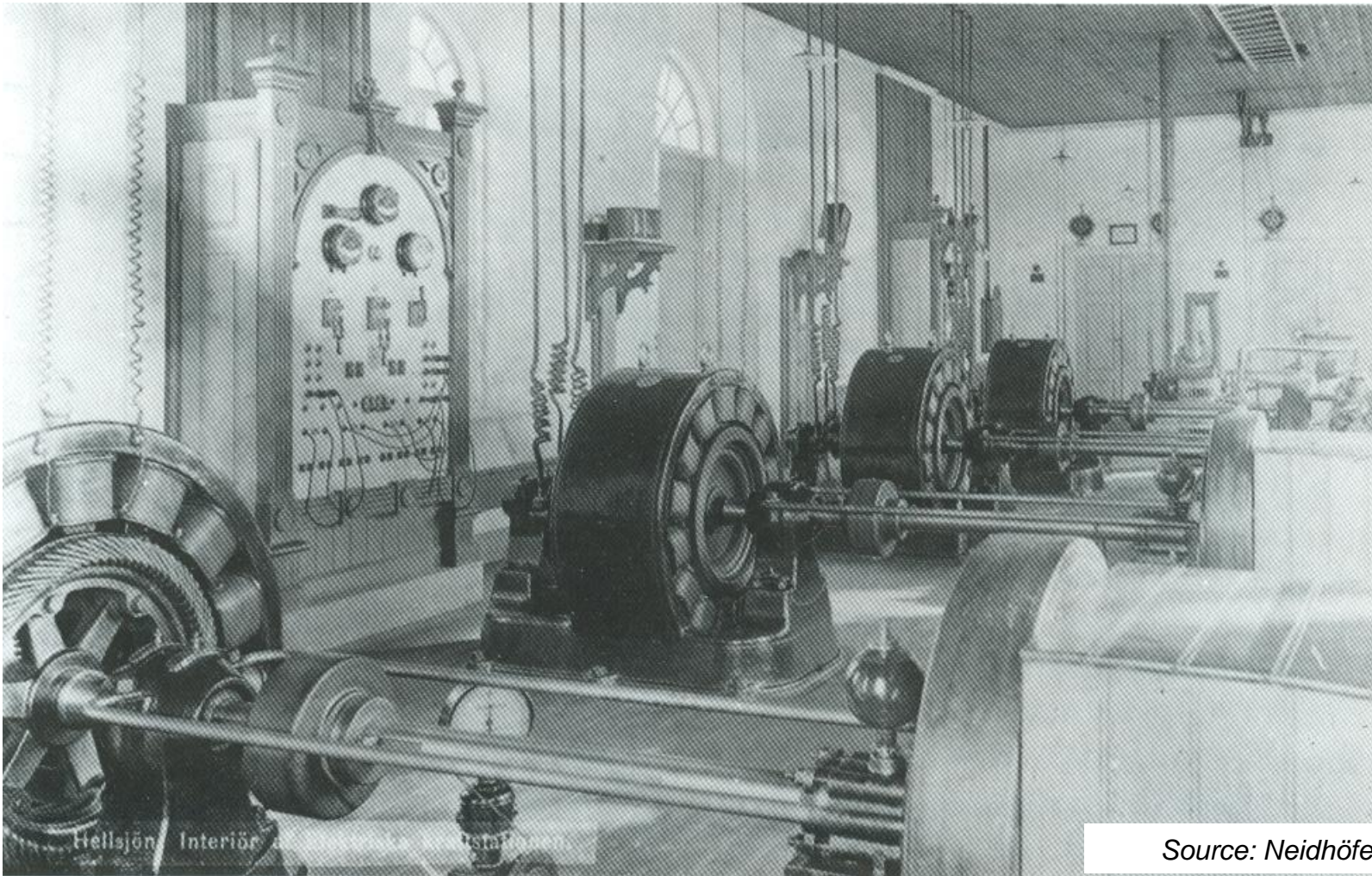


As director at AEG-Factory, Berlin, with colleagues

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Hydro power plant *Hellsjön, Sweden, 1893*



Salient 16-pole synchronous generators

- Outer pole excitation
- Inner rotating two-layer three-phase distributed winding

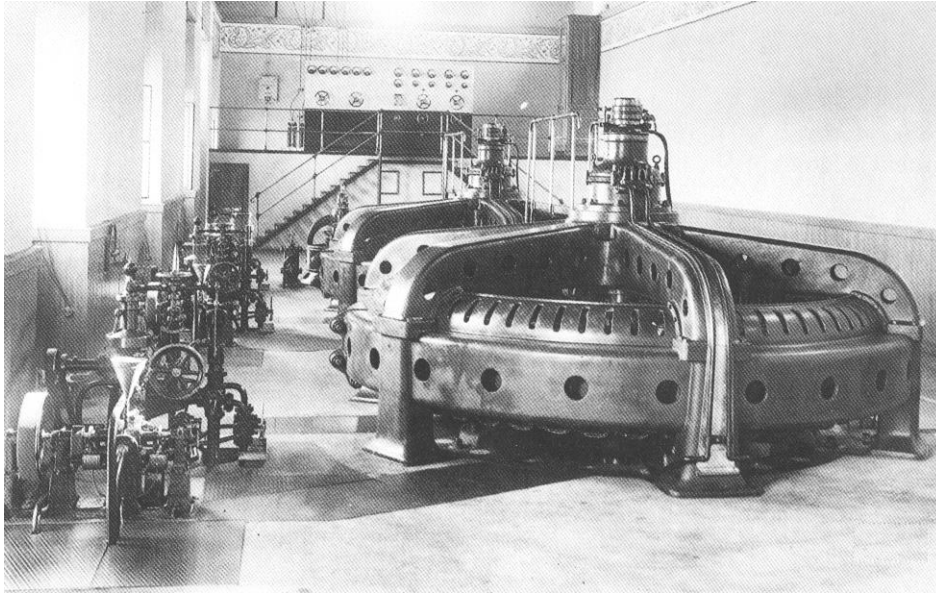
- 344 kVA:
High voltage transmission with 9.5 kV via 13 km to *Grängesberg*

Source: Neidhöfer, G.; SEV-Bulletin



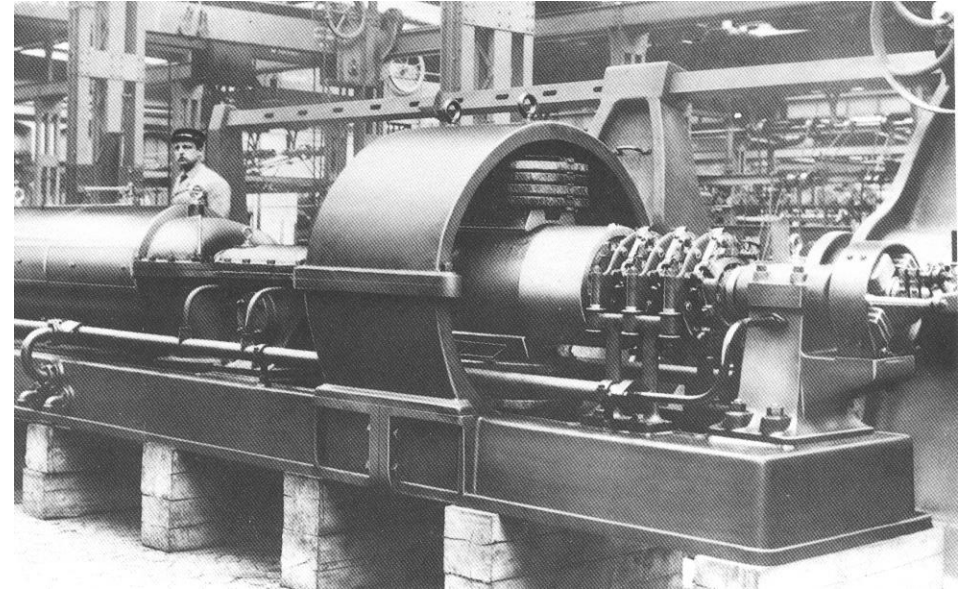
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Early commercial synchronous generators



1903: **Hydro power plant Festi-Rastini, Milano, Italy**: Vertical shaft inner rotor salient 60-pole synchronous generators 600 kW, 84/min, 42 Hz

Vertical shaft generators first developed by Ch. E. Brown since ca. 1895

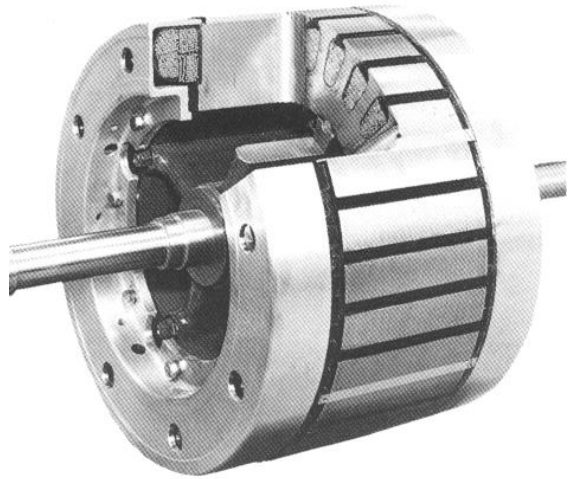


1901: **Steam power plant**: Horizontal shaft 2-pole synchronous generator, outer excitation, 3 slip-rings for rotating stator winding, 250 kW, 3000/min, 50 Hz, built by *Wild & Abegg, Torino, Italy*

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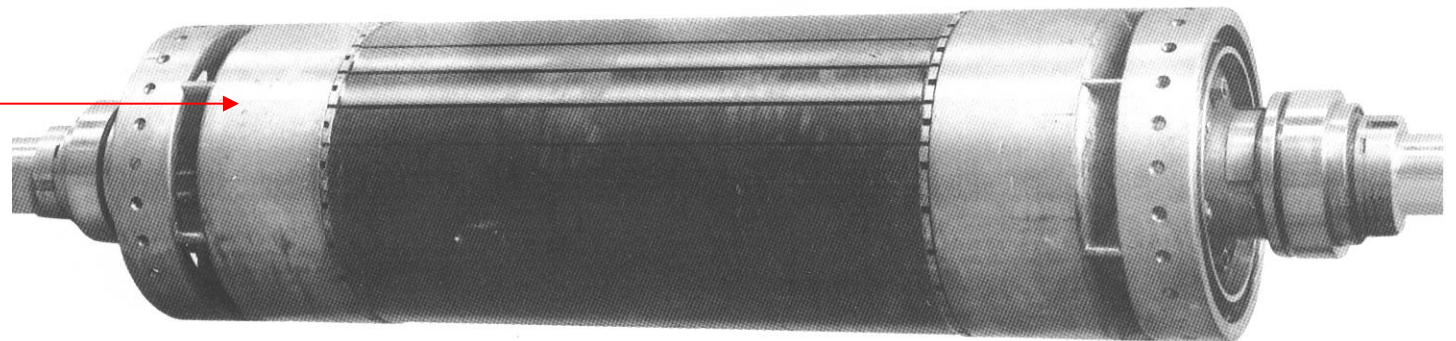
World's first turbine synchronous generators (cylindrical rotor)



1898: World's first cylindrical synchronous rotor with six rotor poles, laminated iron core, 100 kVA, by *Ch. E. Brown*

1901: World's first two-pole cylindrical synchronous massive rotor, 250 kW, 3900/min, 65 Hz, by *Ch. E. Brown*

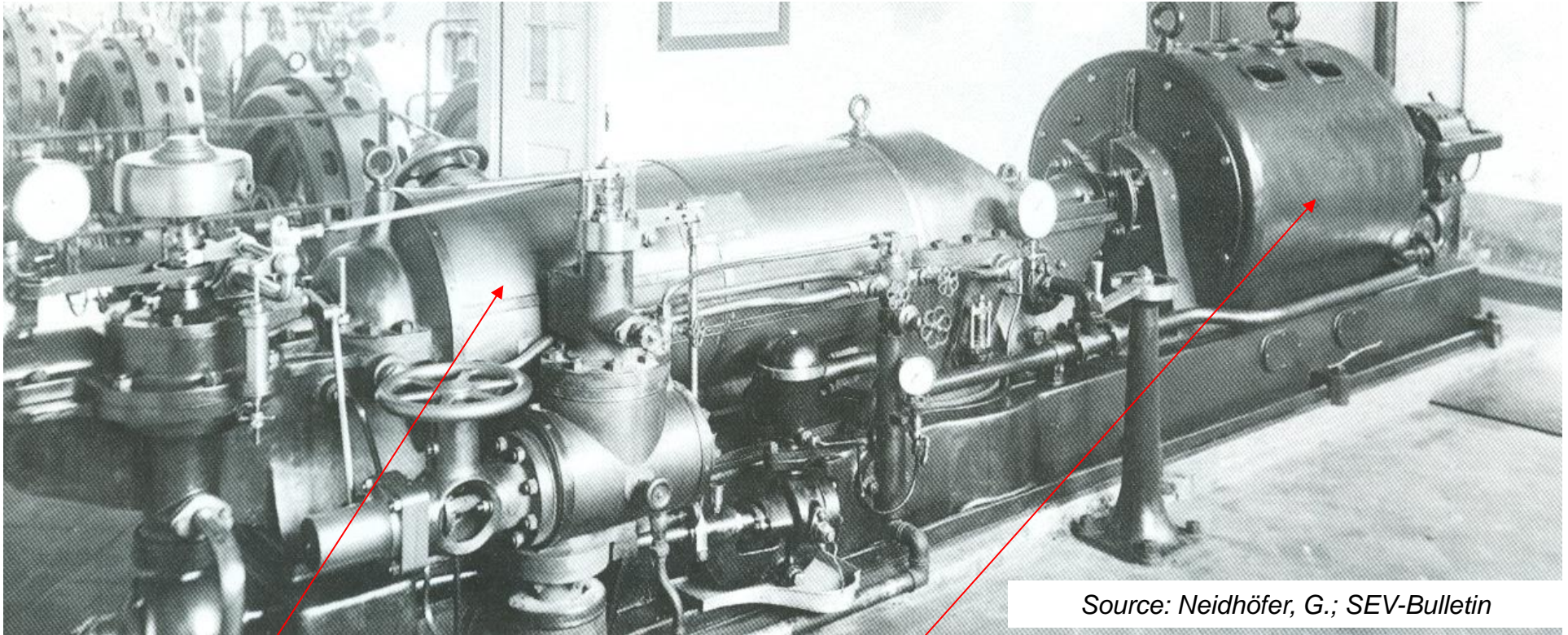
Non-magnetic retaining end caps for the rotor winding overhang



Source: Neidhöfer, G.; ABB-review special print

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World's first two-pole turbine synchronous generator with cylindrical massive rotor, *Ch. E. Brown*

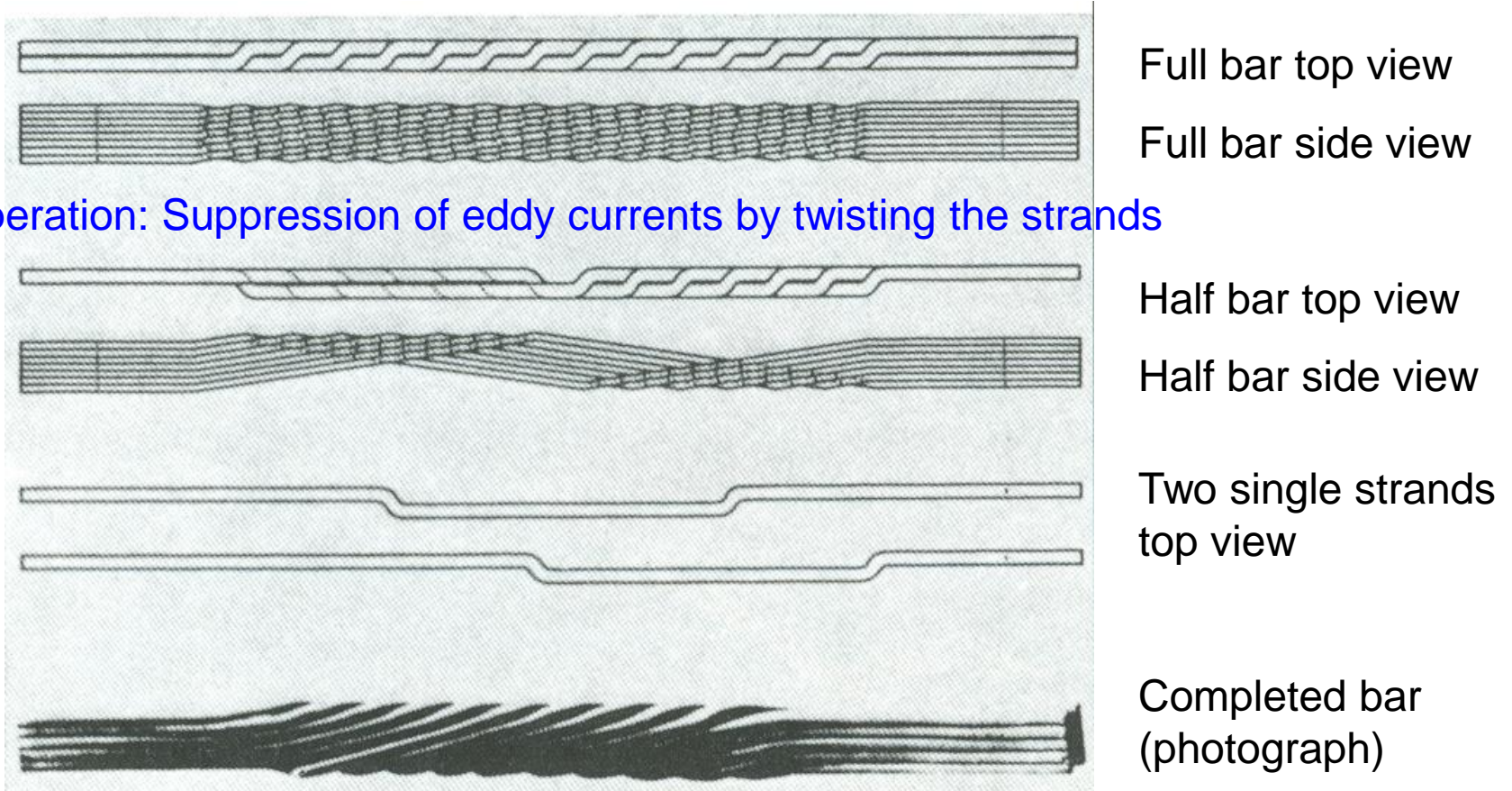


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1901: Steam turbine (*Parson*) and two-pole synchronous generator with cylindrical massive rotor, 250 kW, 3900/min, 65 Hz, *Chur* power station, *Switzerland*, by *Ch. E. Brown*

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Twisted strands to form a rectangular bar, by *Ludwig Roebel*, 1912, *BBC, Mannheim, Germany*



AC operation: Suppression of eddy currents by twisting the strands

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Unification of grid frequency

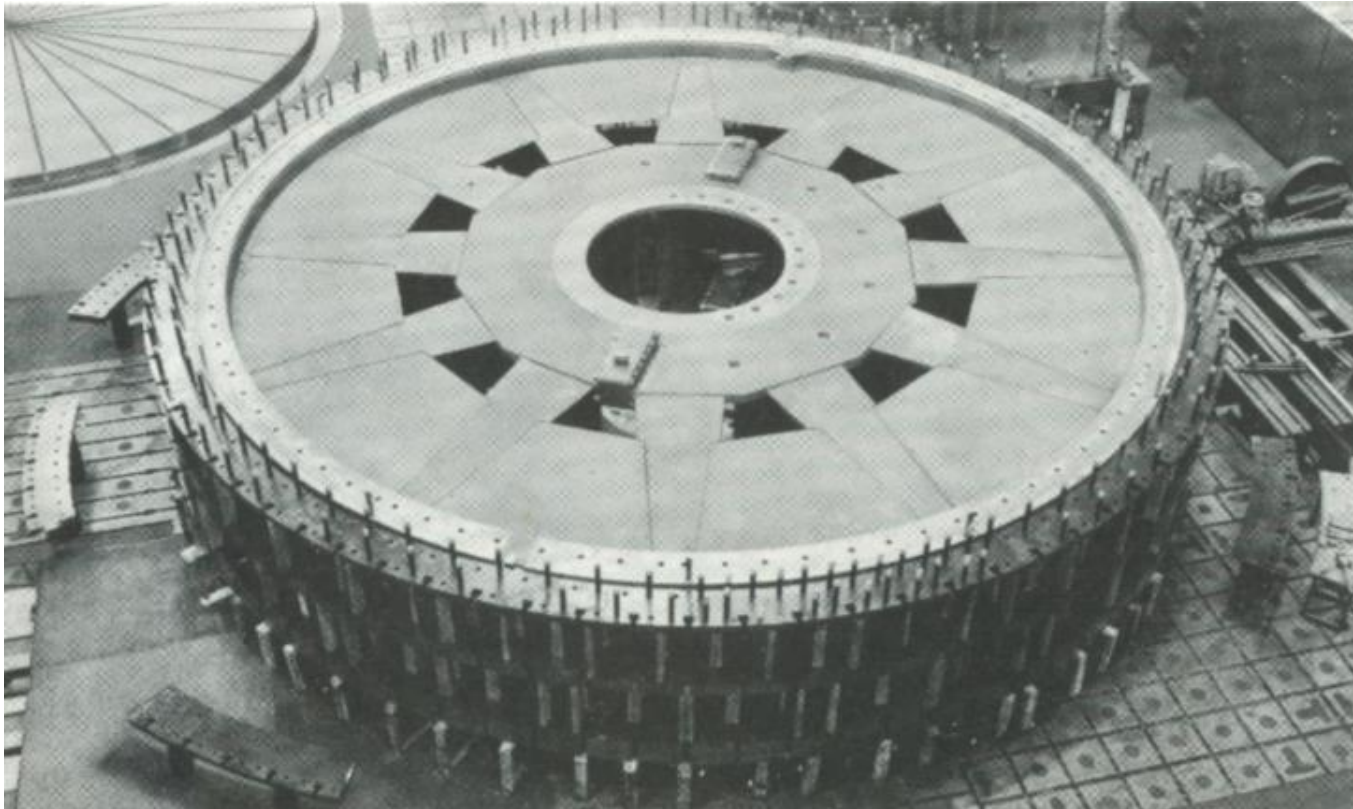
- Grid frequencies differing very much until ca. 1920: 25 Hz ... 60 Hz
- 41.7 Hz = 5000 changes of polarity per minute: $5000/(60 \times 2) = 41.6667$ Hz
- **Concentration in Europe:** Compromise 50 Hz (recommended by Austrian board of Electrical Engineers)
- Retrofit of older units with different frequencies lead to final unification
- **United States, Japan:** Compromise 60 Hz:
 - Example: Power plant **Niagara Falls:**
Canadian side generators operated for long at 25 Hz, later mostly retrofit to 60 Hz
 - Example: **Itaipu** power plant, river Parana: Border line between *Brazil* (50 Hz), *Paraguay* (60 Hz): Half of the 18 generators operate with 50 Hz, and half with 60 Hz.



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Mid-1920's: Development of the first laminated, uniformly stressed rotor rim construction for vertical shaft hydro generators at *GE, USA*

Source: General Electric, Schenectady, USA



Laminated rotor rim construction (mid-1950's):

(“Blechkettenläufer”)

This removed many restrictions for the size of low-speed synchronous generators

All manufacturers have followed since this type of rotor design for large machines

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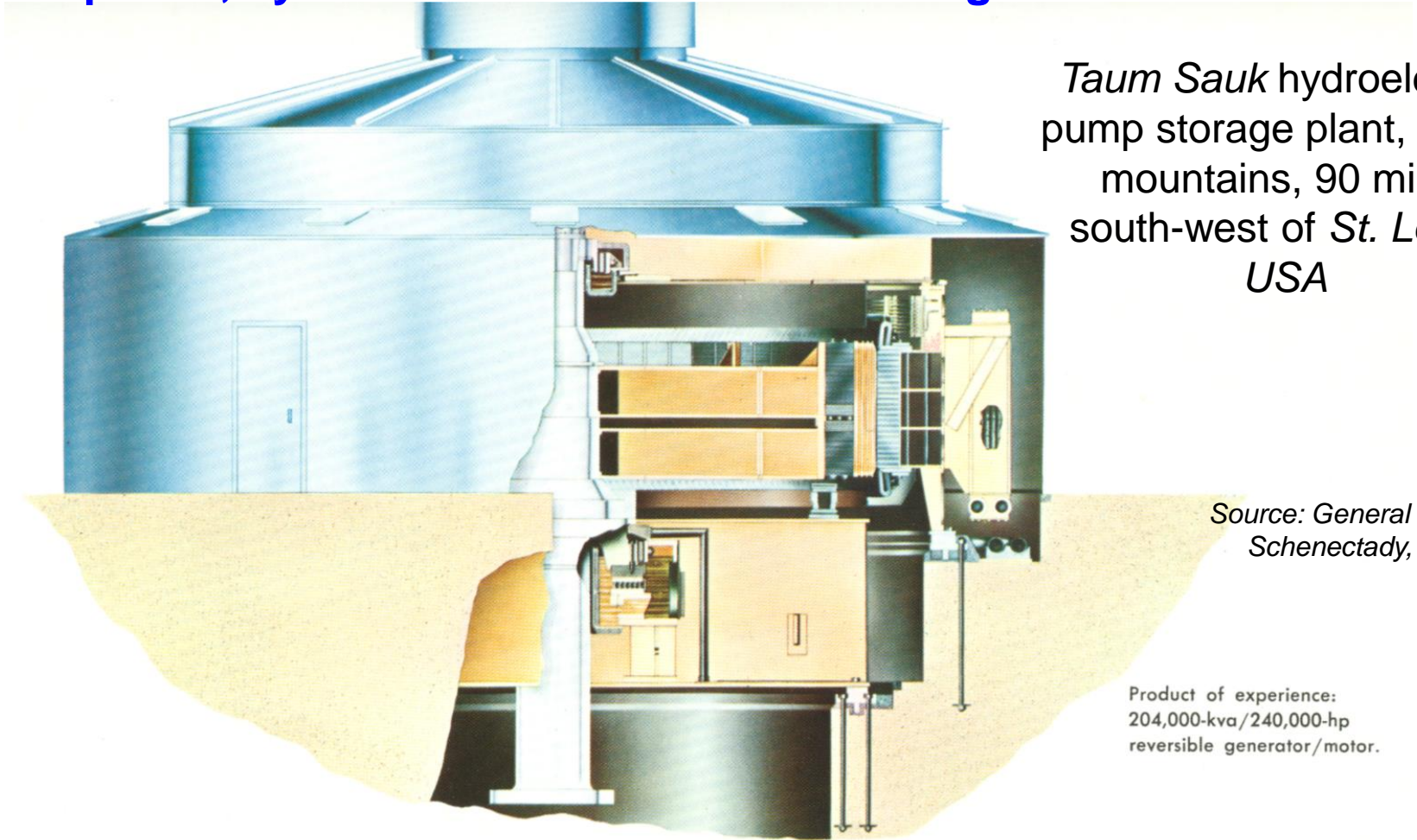
Development of big power synchronous generators

- Steadily **increasing need** of electrical power due to increasing world population and increasing degree of electrification
- **World War II** gives big draw back to European technology progress, but US is booming
- **Mid-1950s**: Cold strip mill manufacturing of **low loss steel sheets** with grain orientation for power transformers developed in the USA
- **Large power plant projects** in the USA (hydro, thermal) set into operation: *Boulder Dam, Grand Coulee, Tennessee Valley Authority*
- Big machine units need **special bearing constructions** especially for vertical shaft hydro generators, which are the largest concerning rated torque and size
- **Mid-1950's**: Development of civil use of **nuclear power** with power plants of steadily increasing size: Demand of big fast rotating two-pole and four-pole synchronous generators, driven by steam turbines
- **New cooling methods** necessary: Direct water cooling, direct hydrogen gas cooling



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Ca. 1955: 204 MVA salient pole reversible motor-generator for pump storage plants, by that time one of the worlds largest machines



Taum Sauk hydroelectric pump storage plant, Ozark mountains, 90 miles south-west of St. Louis, USA

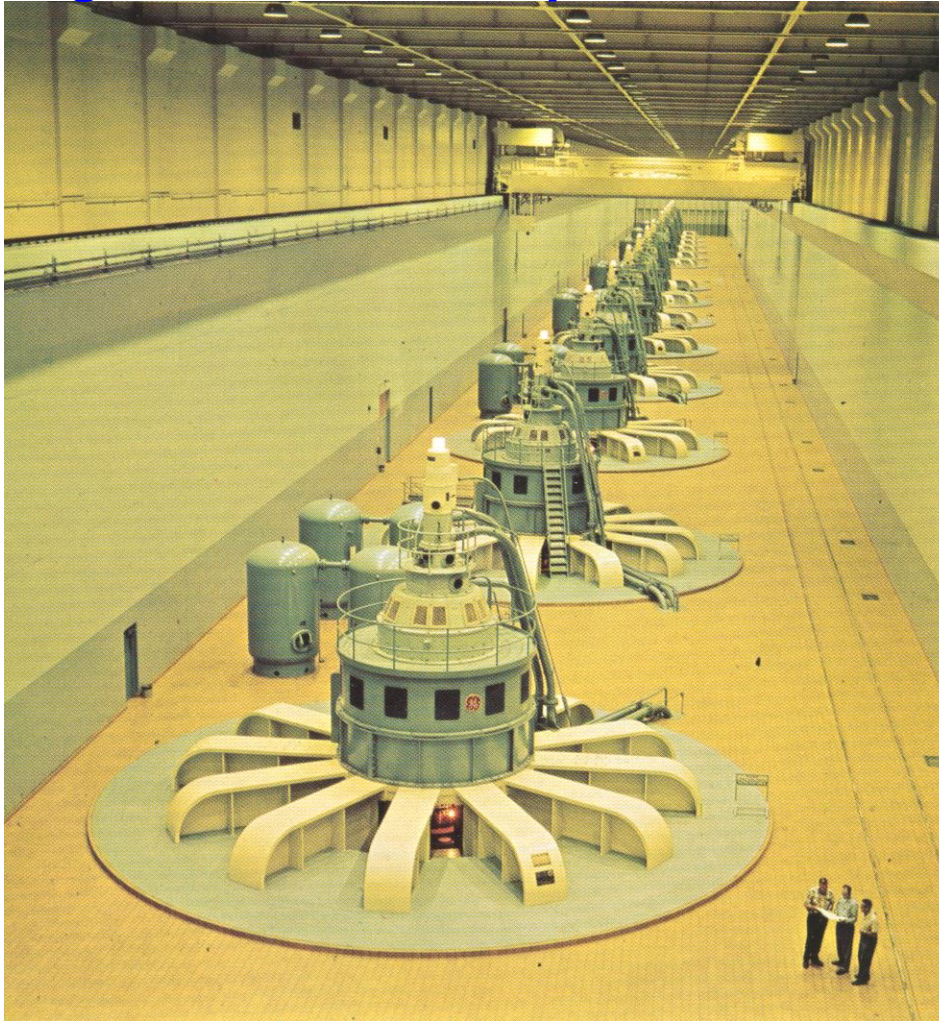
Source: General Electric, Schenectady, USA

Product of experience:
204,000-kva/240,000-hp
reversible generator/motor.



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Ca. 1955: 82.1 MVA salient pole vertical shaft hydroelectric synchronous generators with *Kaplan* turbines at *Columbia* river

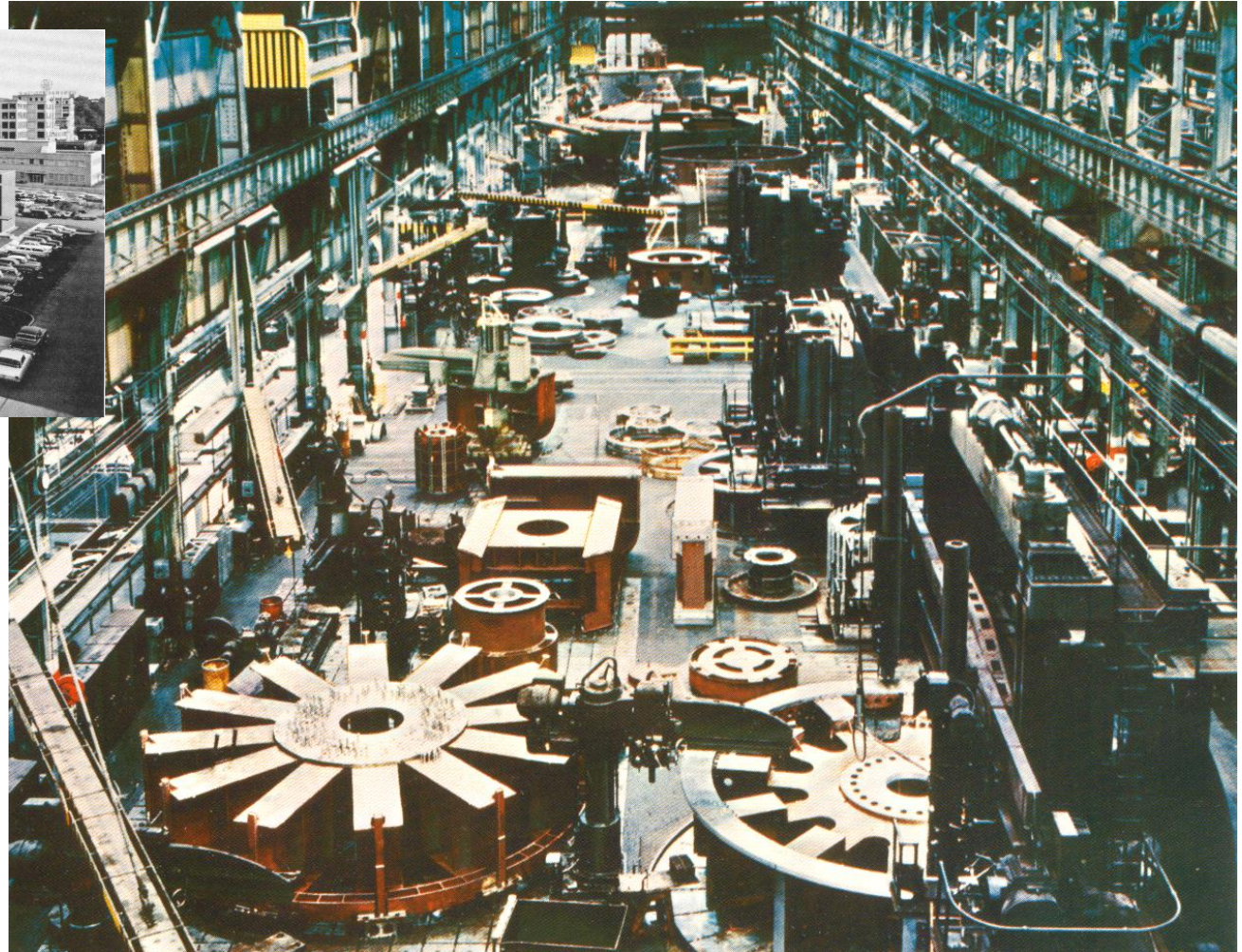


The *Dalles* hydroelectric power station, *Columbia* river, *USA*:
14 units, each 82.1 MVA, 60 Hz,
85.7/min, 84 poles

Source: General Electric, Schenectady, USA

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Ca. 1960: Manufacturing of salient pole vertical shaft hydroelectric synchronous generators at *General Electric Company*

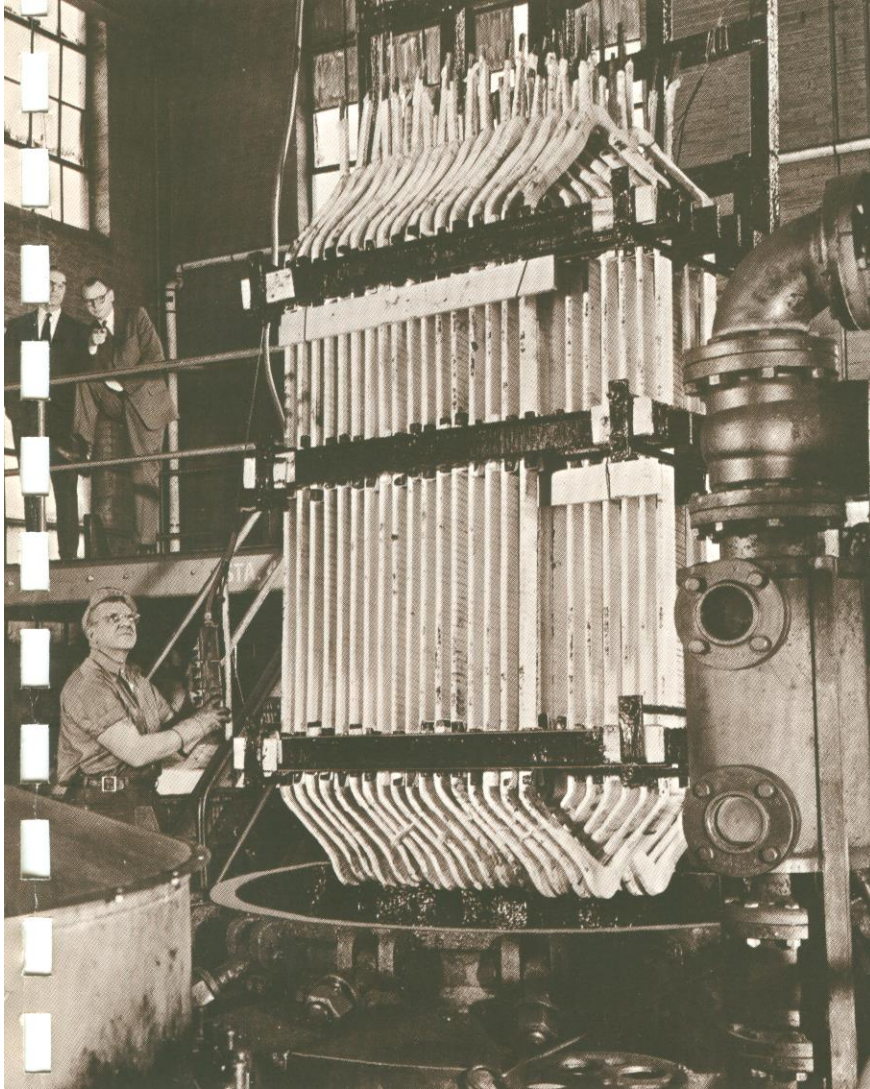


Material & process laboratory,
GE, Schenectady, ca. 1960

*Source: General Electric,
Schenectady, USA*



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First vacuum and pressure-type compounding with applied mica tape for complete insulation of high-voltage coils at *GE, USA*

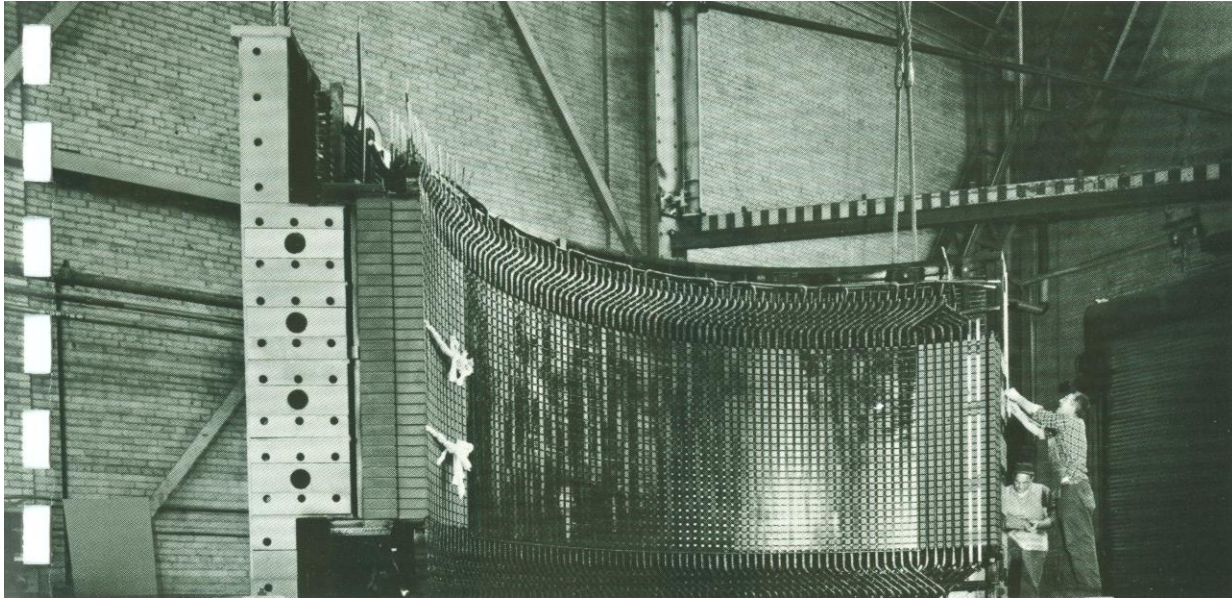
Vacuum and pressure-type compounding of coil insulation, *GE, USA*, mid-1950's

Source: General Electric, Schenectady, USA

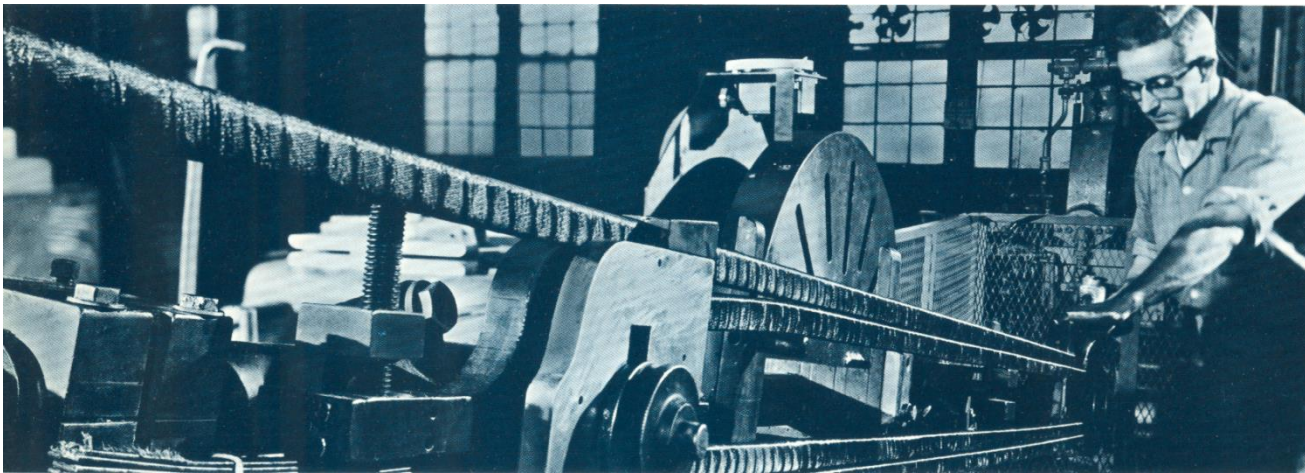


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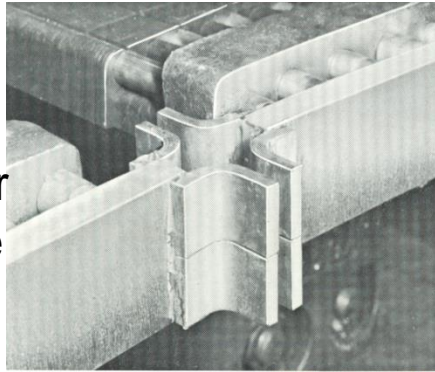


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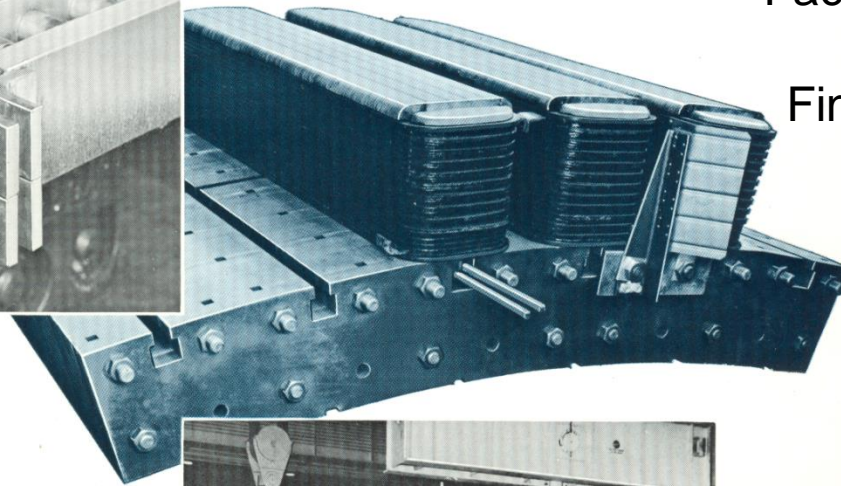


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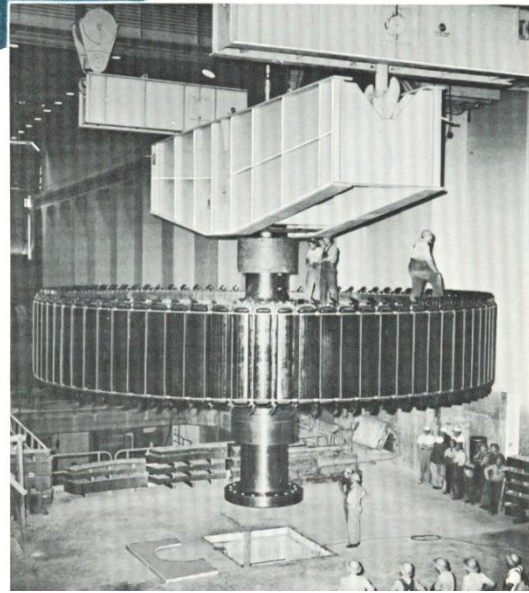
Ca. 1955: Manufacturing of salient pole vertical shaft synchronous generators



Heavy duty amortisseur winding = starting cage for starting pumped-storage units



Factory trial assembly of rim, poles, fans:
Final assembly on site



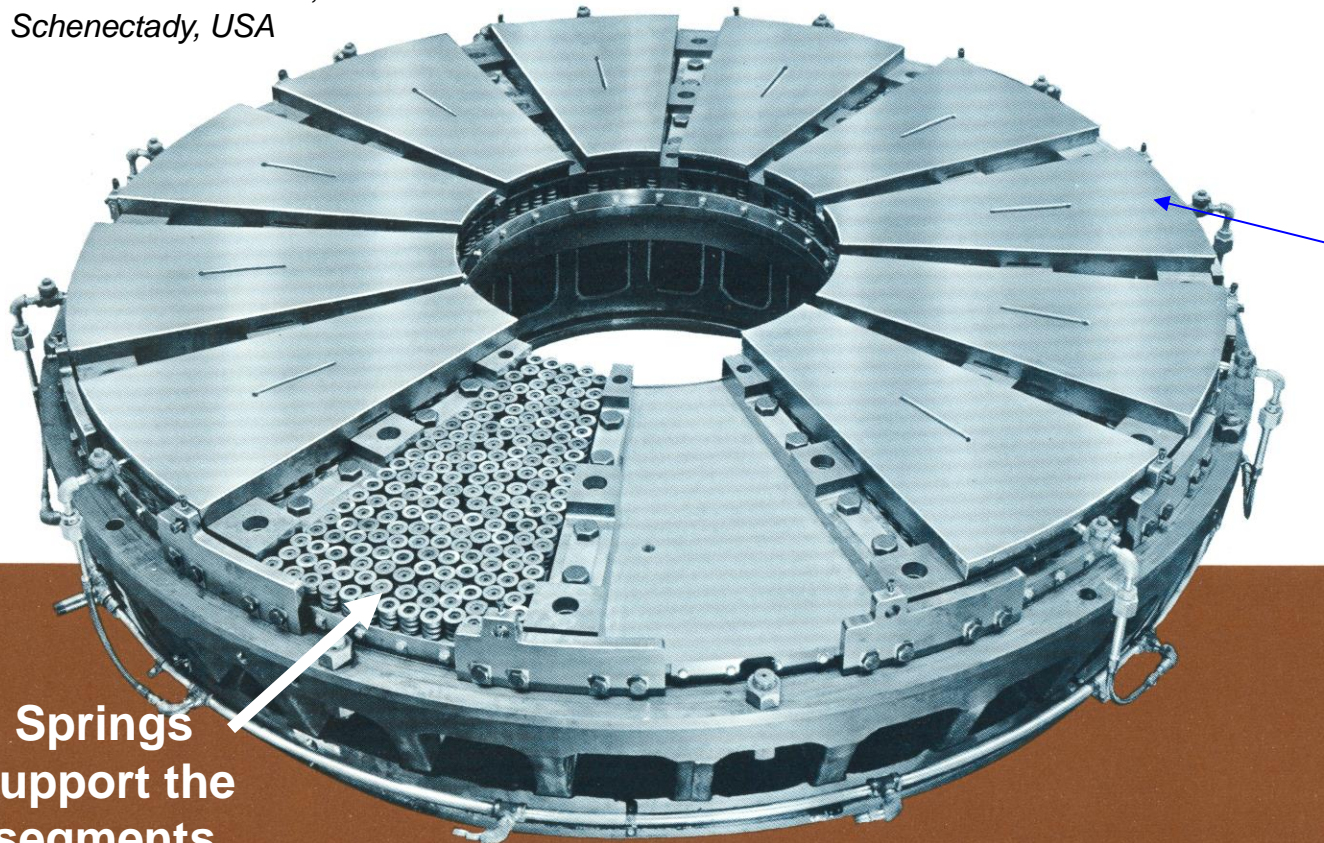
Field assembly of completed rotor on-site

Source: General Electric, Schenectady, USA

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1953: First 4 000 000 pound thrust bearing operation at *McNary* dam (Columbia river) for vertical shaft synchronous generators

Source: General Electric,
Schenectady, USA



Stationary portion of 4,000,000-pound bearing equipped for high-pressure oil starting.

Spring-supported thrust bearing invented in 1916, GE, USA

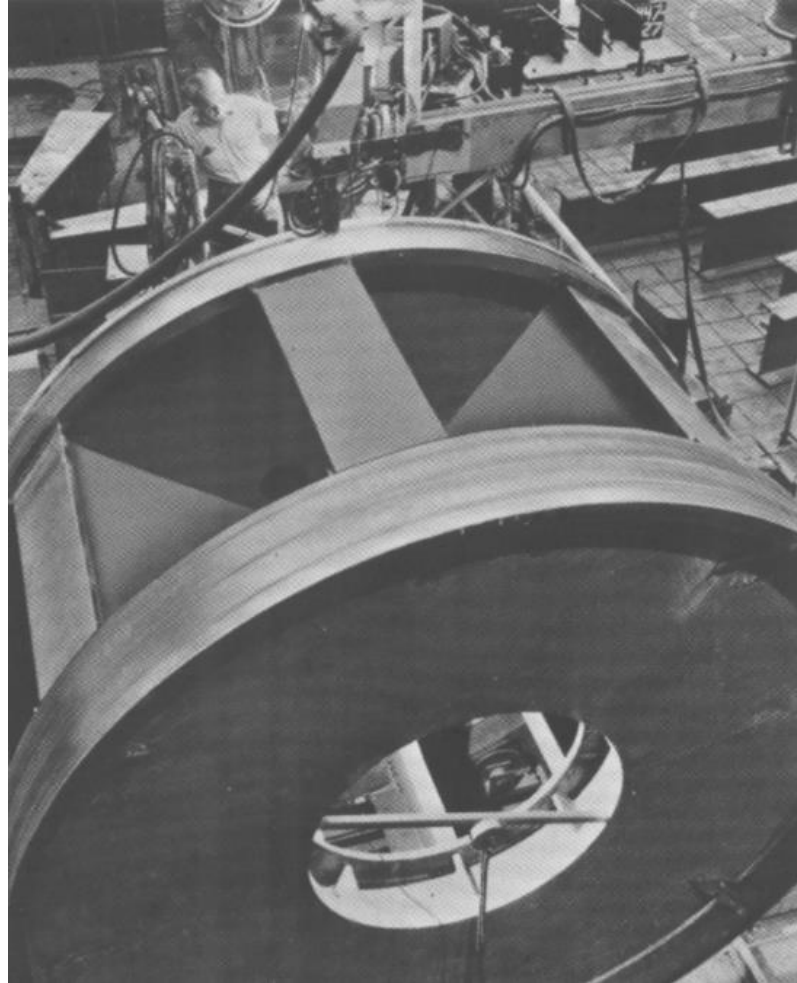
Stationary portion of the 4 Mio. Pds. oil-lubricated segment thrust bearing for high pressure oil starting 73.6 MVA, 60 Hz, 85.7/min, 84 poles, *Kaplan* turbines

- Development of first high pressure self-starting thrust bearing at GE
- High-pressure-oil system reduces breakaway torque to very low values



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Submerged arc welding of upper bearing bracket hub, ca. 1960

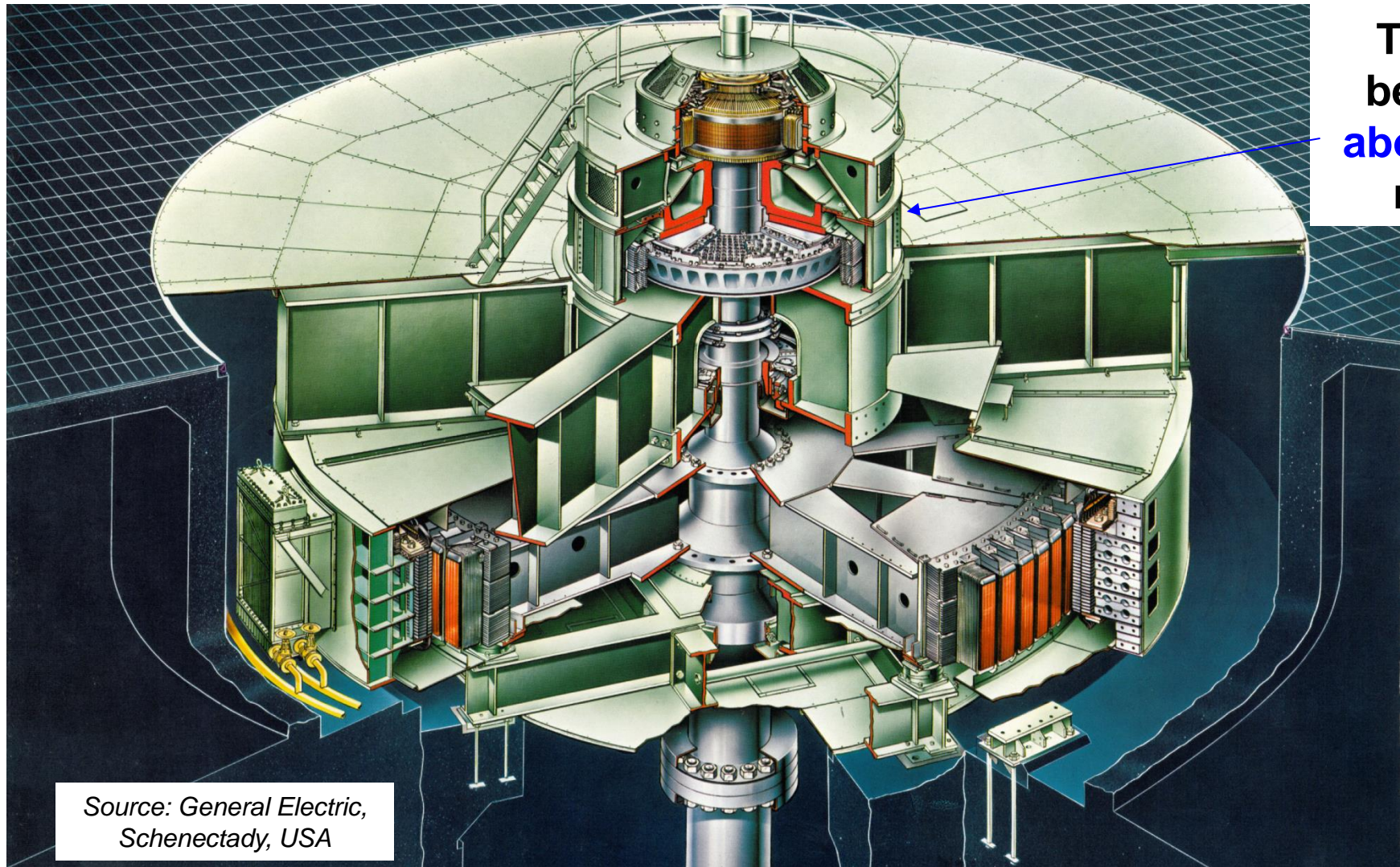


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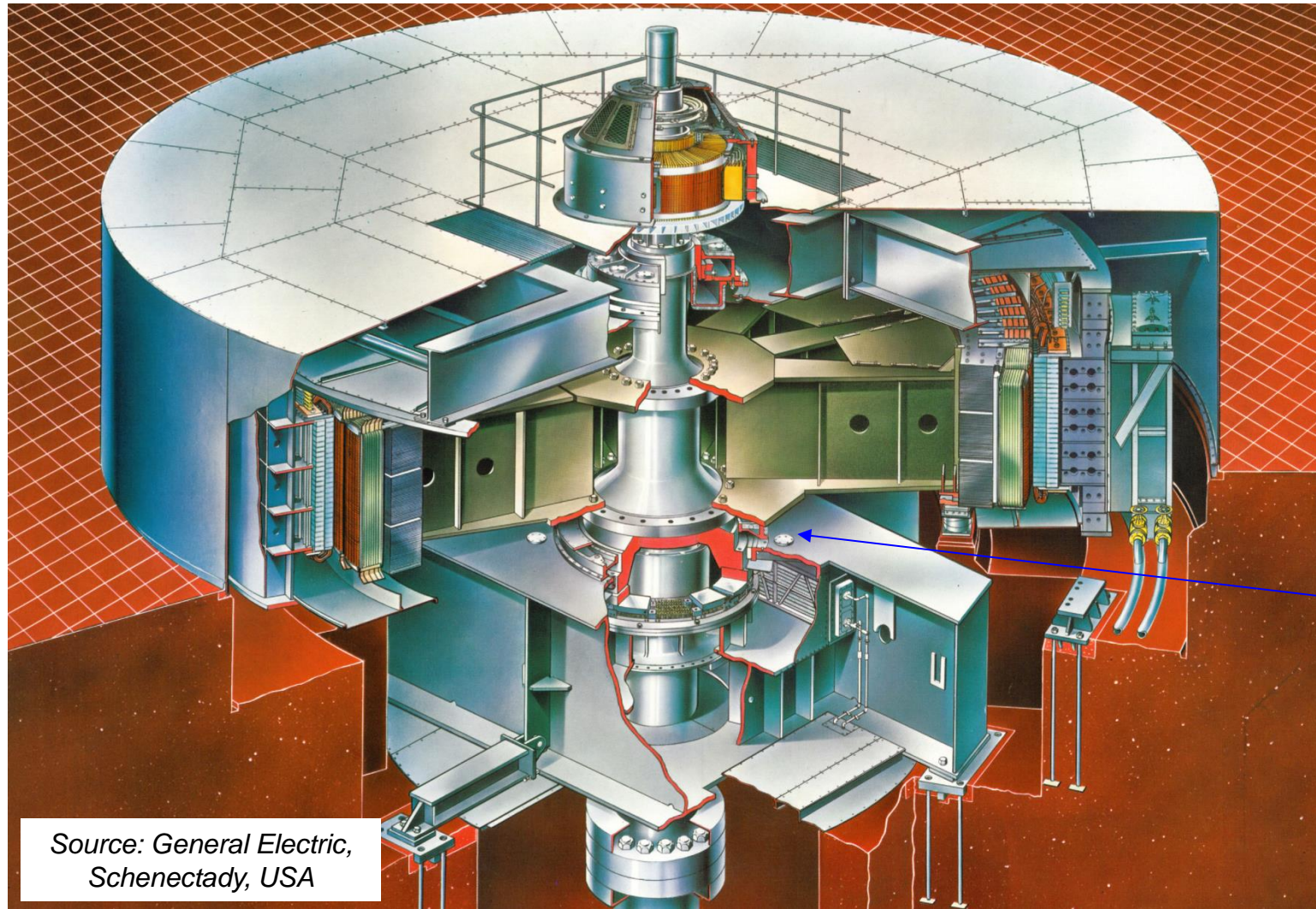
Thrust bearing
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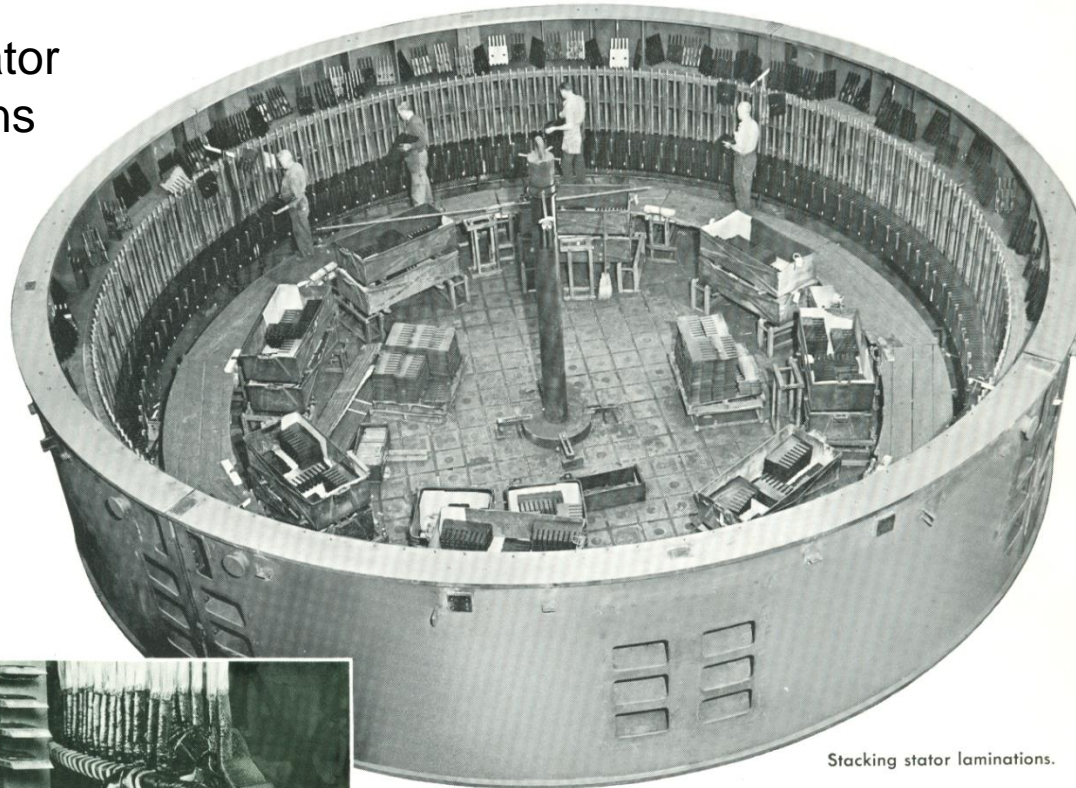
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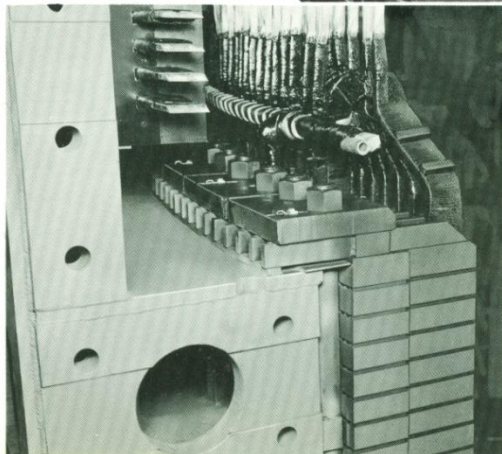
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Ca. 1960: Manufacturing of the stator core and winding

Stacking the stator core laminations



Source: General Electric,
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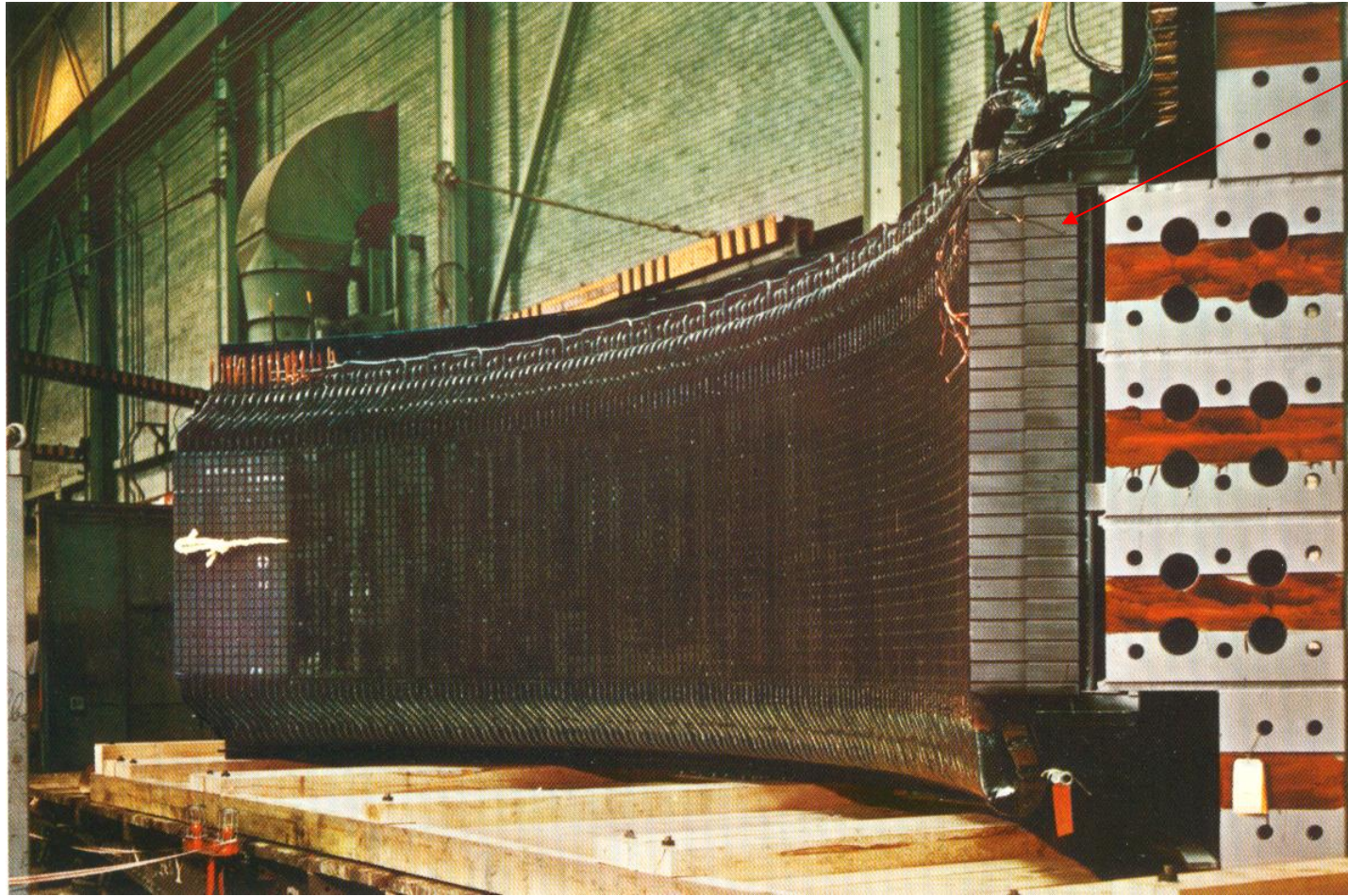


Clamping flange
assembly



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Ca. 1960: The big stator has to be manufactured in sections for sake of transportation



Completed stator sections

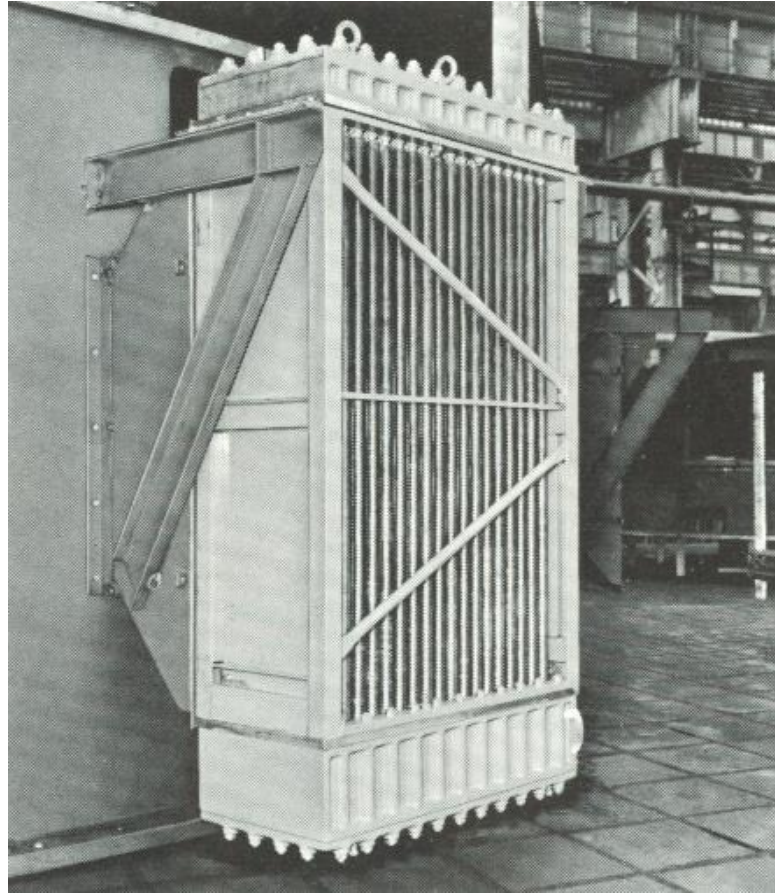
The sections are welded to form the stator ring directly at the site

Source: General Electric, Schenectady, USA



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Ca. 1960: Surface air cooler for closed re-circulating cooling system



*Source: General Electric,
Schenectady, USA*



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Post-war development of large synchronous generators

- **Concentration** of large synchronous machinery in several big companies:
 - Siemens AG* takes over parts of the collapsed *AEG*, buys *Westinghouse* generator division, sells later hydro branch to *Voith*
 - ASEA* and *BBC* unite to *ABB*. The branch *ABB Power* is sold later to *Alstom*
 - Alstom* takes over *ABB* power and *GEC* in United Kingdom
 - Andritz Hydro* takes over *VA Tech Hydro*, which includes also *ELIN* generator business
- *Siemens* and *BBC* build the **world's largest hydro generators** (e.g. 824 MVA, 90.9/min, 50 Hz, 66 poles) for *Itaipu*, *Parana* river (borderline between *Brazil* and *Paraguay*)
- **Three Gorges Project, China**, is the world's biggest hydro power plant (18 GW). *Voith-Siemens* and *Alstom* deliver the first generators. The technology is taken over big *Chinese* companies (e.g. at *Harbin*)
- *Siemens* delivers the **world's largest 4-pole turbine generator (2 GW)** for the nuclear power plant *Olkiluoto*, *Finland*



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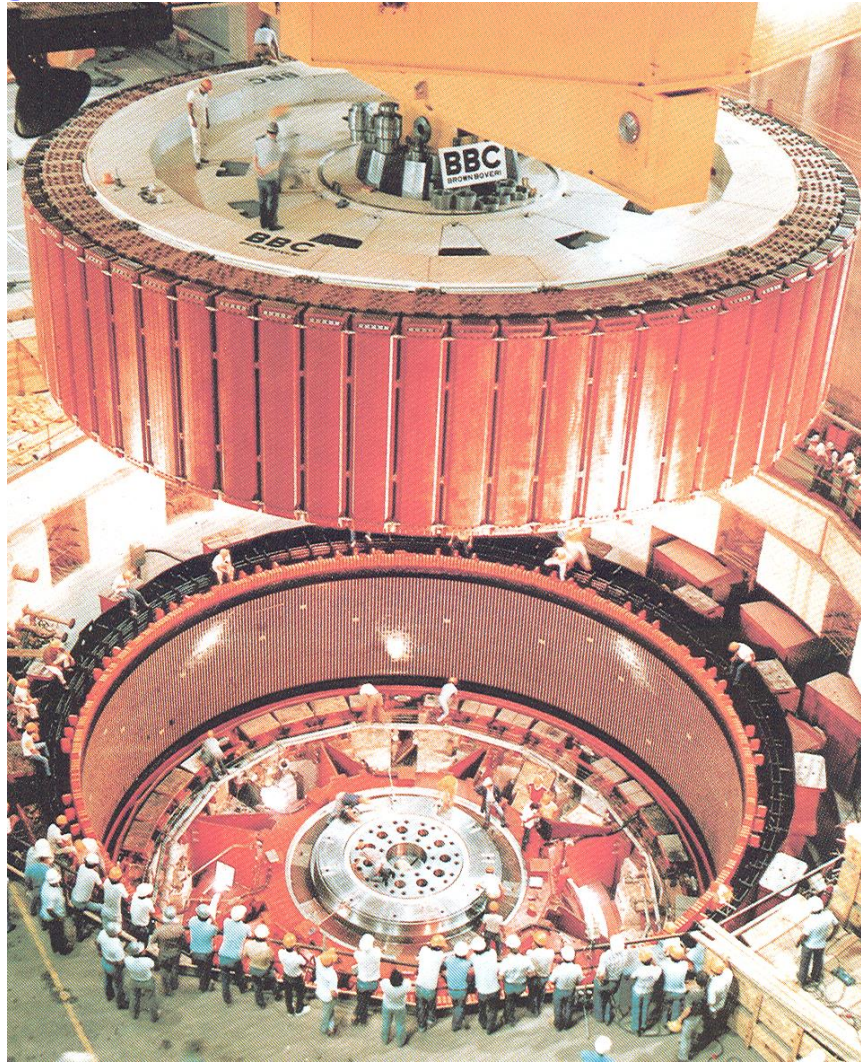
Largest hydro synchronous generators: *Itaipu, Parana river, 14 GW*

	<i>Paraguay</i>	<i>Brazil</i>
Grid frequency	50 Hz	60 Hz
Generator power	823.6 MVA	737 MVA
Speed / Stator voltage	90.9/min / 18 kV	92.3/min / 18 kV
Pole count / Torque	66 / 74.59 MNm	78 / 73.46 MNm
Power factor	0.85 over-excited	0.95 over-excited
Generator efficiency	98.6 %	98.6 %
Mech. input power	710 MW	710 MW
Generator transformer	825 MVA	768 MVA
Transformer voltage	18 kV / 525 kV	18 kV / 525 kV
<i>Francis</i> turbine	715 MW / 700 m ³ /s	715 MW / 700 m ³ /s
Turbine efficiency	93.8 %	93.8 %
Number of units	10	10



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Mounting the rotor into the stator at *Itaipu, Parana river, 14 GW*



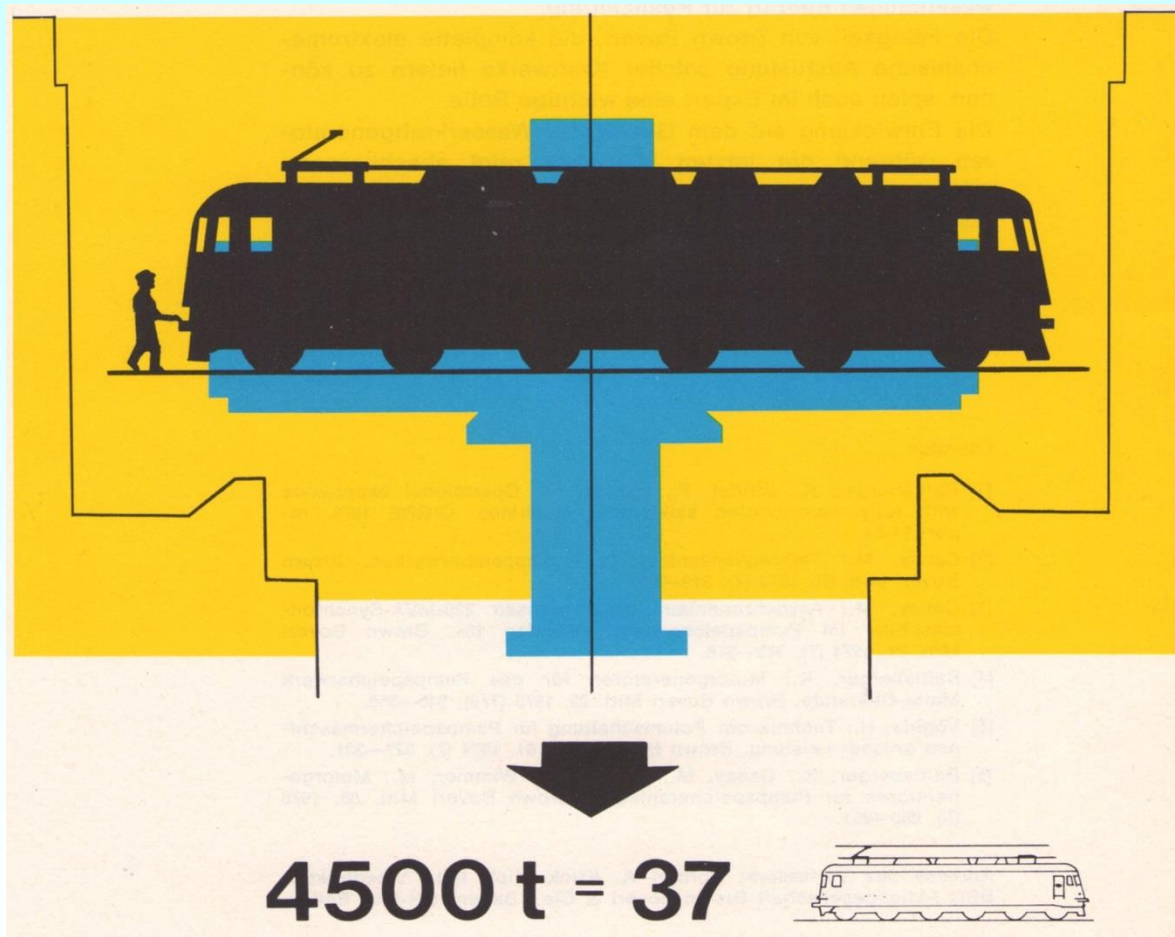
Hydro generator for 50 Hz,
66 poles, 824 MVA,
90.9/min, *Francis* turbine

Source: BBC (now Alstom Power),
Switzerland



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Rotor mass of the *Itaipu*-generators



1985 *ITAIPU*

The mass of one salient-pole rotor is 4500 tons (!) and needs special thrust and guiding bearings

Source:
BBC (now Alstom Power)
Birr, Switzerland



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Total view of *Itaipu* hydro power plant, *Parana* river, 14 GW



Left part:

Spillway for water overflow

Power station in the center

Source: Wikipedia



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Ca. 1980: View of *Itaipu* hydro power plant under construction, *Parana* river



On top of the 7.6 km long dam

12.8 Mio. m³ of concrete were used for the project

Source: Wikipedia



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View of barrage lake of hydro power plant *Itaipu, Parana river*



Size of barrage lake:

Area: 1350 km²

Length: 170 km,

Average width: 7 km

Maximum height: 112 m

29 billion tons of water

*Source: S. Krauter,
Wikipedia*



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Dam view of *Itaipu* hydro power plant, *Parana* river, 14 GW



Source: S. Krauter,
Wikipedia

At the bottom of the dam: dam height 196 m, white water intake tubes of the 18 (now 20) *Francis* turbines (715 MW each)



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Stored potential energy in the barrage lake of *Itaipu* hydro power plant

$$W_{pot} = \left(\frac{h_{ul} + h_{ip}}{2} - h \right) \cdot \gamma_{H_2O} \cdot g \cdot A \cdot (h_{ul} - h_{ip})$$

$$W_{pot} = \left(\frac{222 + 187}{2} - 86 \right) \cdot 1000 \cdot 9.81 \cdot 1350 \cdot 10^6 \cdot (222 - 187) = 54.93 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ J}$$

W_{pot} : potential water energy relative to lower water level

h_{ul} : upper lake level: 222m above sea level

h_{ip} : penstock inlet height above sea level: 187m, h : lower water level: 86 m

A : lake area: 1350 km², γ_{H_2O} : mass density of water

$\eta_T = 0.938$ turbine efficiency, water flow: 700 m³/s

$$P_T = \left(\frac{h_{ul} + h_{ip}}{2} - h \right) \cdot \gamma_{H_2O} \cdot g \cdot \dot{V} \cdot \eta_T = 118.5 \cdot 1000 \cdot 9.81 \cdot 700 \cdot 0.938 = 763 \text{ MW}$$

$$P_{T,real} = 715 \text{ MW}$$

Source: S. Krauter, Wikipedia



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View of hydro generator shaft, *Itaipu* power plant, *Parana* river, 14 GW



Stator bore diameter:
16 m,
active iron length 3.5 m

Source: S. Krauter,
Wikipedia



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View of generator hall and control center, *Itaipu* power plant, *Parana* river



Size of the machine hall:

Length: 986 m, Width: 99 m, Maximum height: 112 m

Source: Wikipedia

Red Line: Border between *Paraguay* and *Brazil*



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Two of the three single-phase transformer units per generator, *Itaipu*



Three single phase transformers give a 3-phase unit:

Single phase:
18 kV / 525 kV

- a) 825 MVA, 50 Hz
(*Paraguay*)
- b) 768 MVA, 60 Hz,
(*Brazil*)

Source: S. Krauter,
Wikipedia



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Power transmission to *Brazil* via AC and DC lines, *Itaipu, Parana river*



Furnas AC-DC rectifier: 6000 MW:
500 kV/ 50 Hz from Paraguay generators to
DC +/- 500 kV

Back conversion to AC/60 Hz at *Ibiuna* near *Sao Paulo, Brazil*



AC transmission to *Sao Paulo, Brazil*:
6300 MW, 60 Hz, 750 kV, from *Brazil*
generators, 891 km

Source: S. Krauter, Wikipedia



Large Generators and High Power Drives

Summary:

History and significance of electric machinery

- 19th mid-century: Strong progress in DC machines
- Late 19th century: String progress in AC machinery and transformers
- Early 20th century: Large scale electric power systems are AC-systems
- Unification of frequencies: 50 Hz, 60 Hz, (16 2/3 Hz)
- Fast expanding AC grids and large generator & transformer units till mid-century
- After 2nd world war: Large power plants above 1 GW need big generators
- New direct cooling systems with water and hydrogen gas
- Now 2 GW per AC synchronous generator possible

