

Dynamics of rotors on hydrodynamic bearings

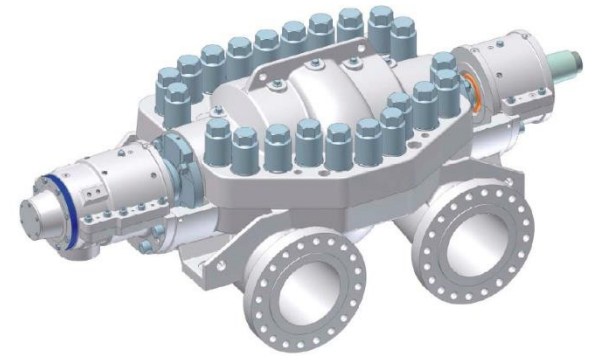
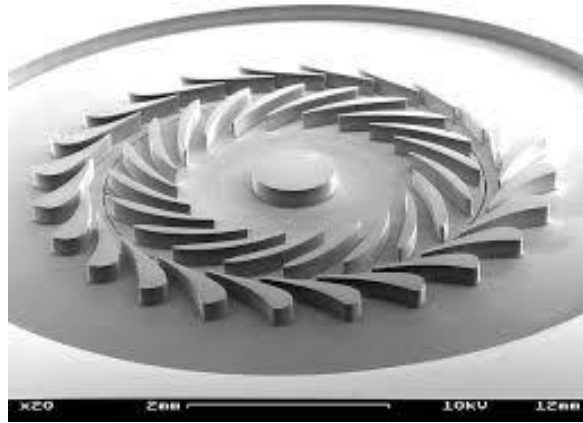
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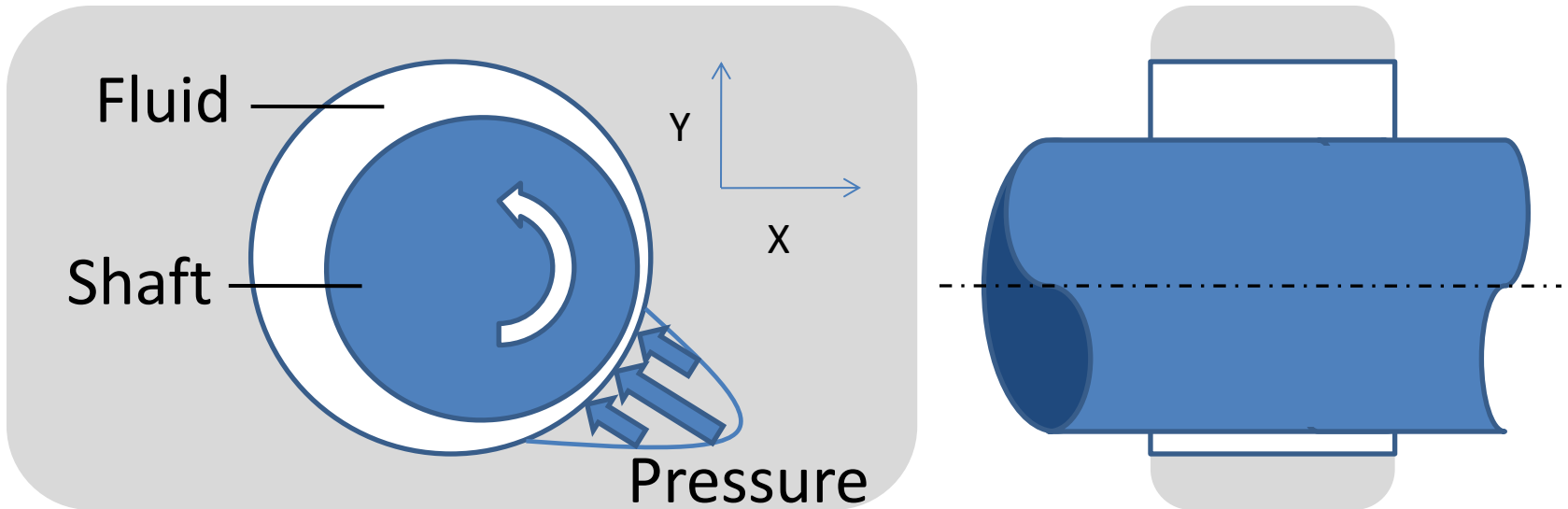
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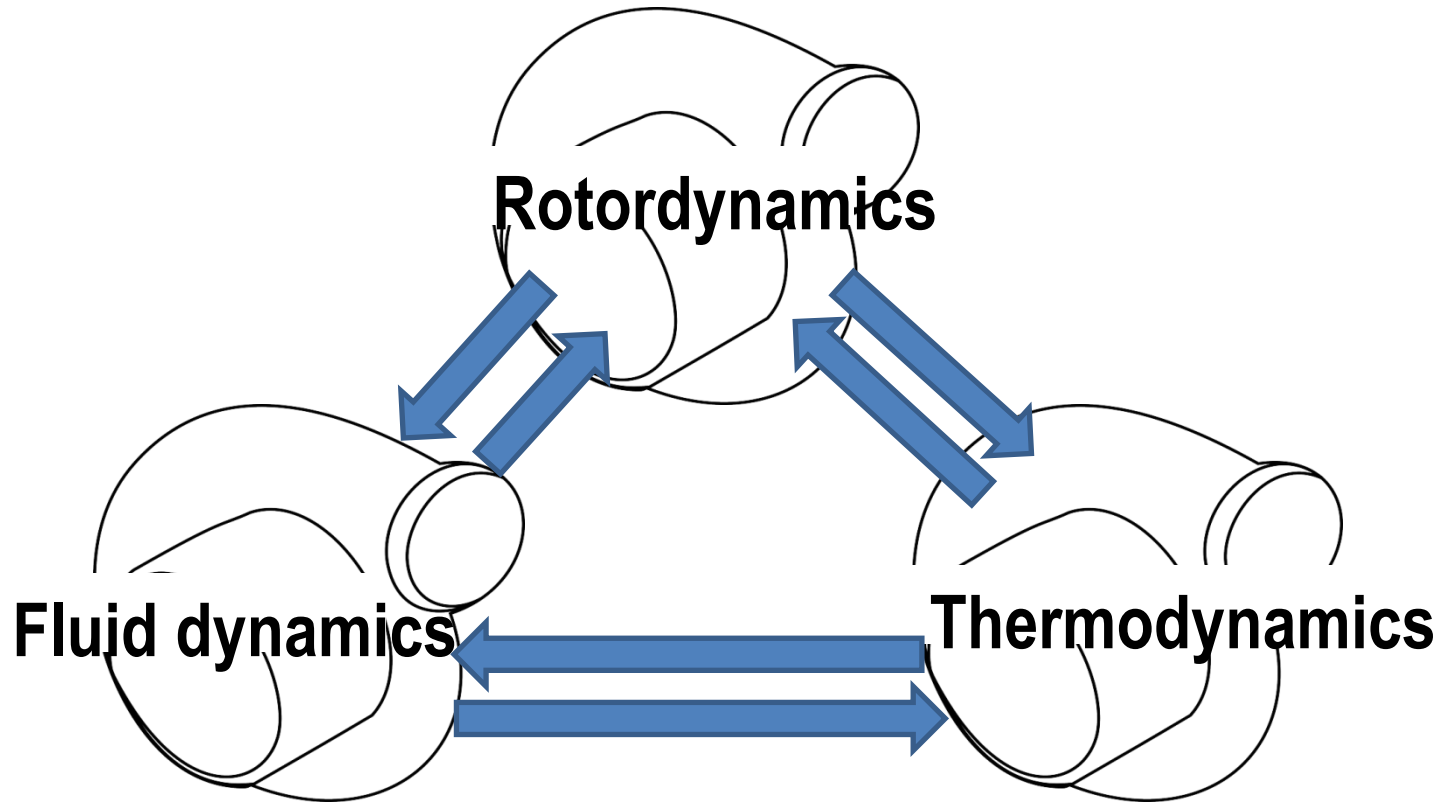


The problem: instability of the rotor-bearing system



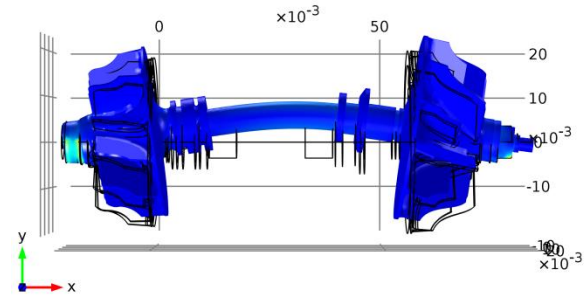
$$\begin{bmatrix} K_{xx} = \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial X} & K_{xy} = \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial Y} \\ K_{yx} = \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial X} & K_{yy} = \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial Y} \end{bmatrix} \square \begin{bmatrix} + & + \\ - & + \end{bmatrix}$$

Modeling approach

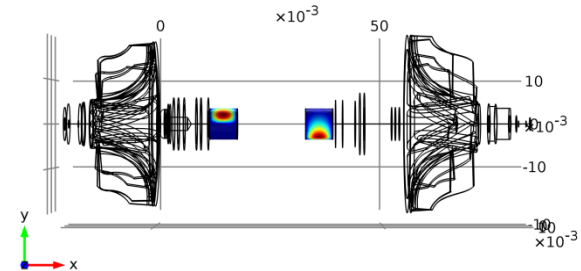


Modeling approach

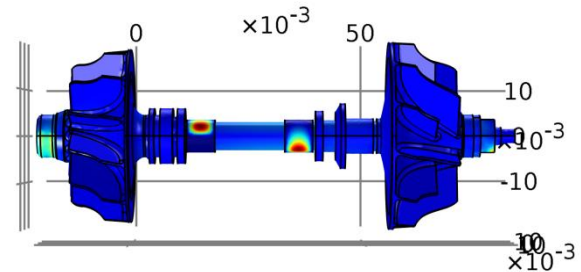
 Analysis of the rotor



 Analysis of the hydrodynamic bearings

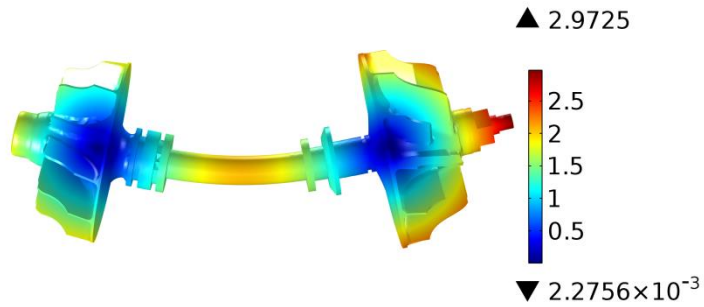


 Analysis of the coupled rotor-bearing system

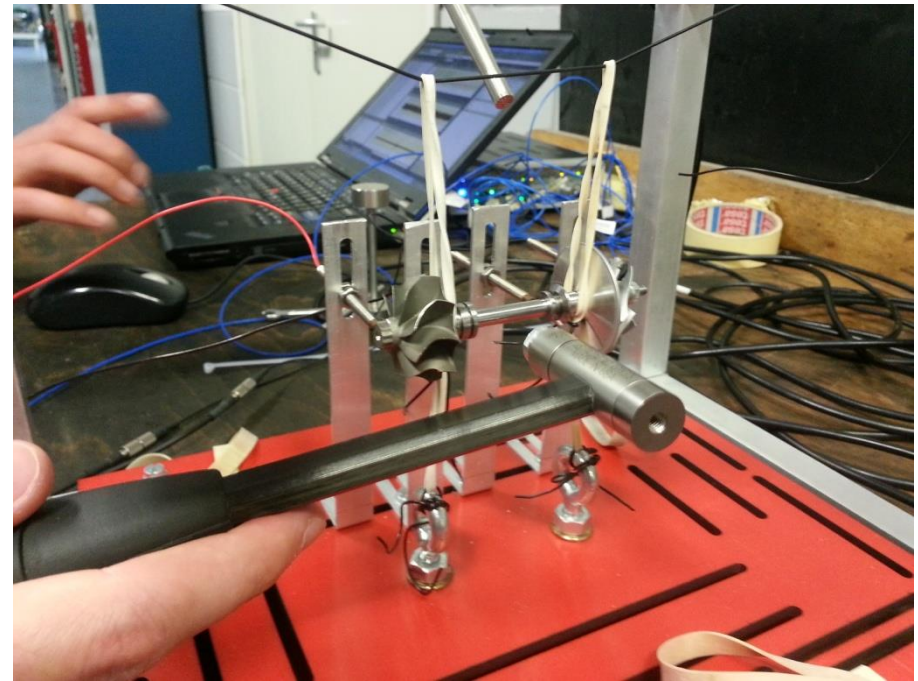
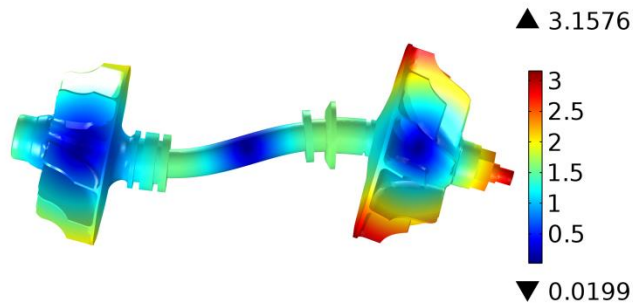


Analysis of the rotor: modal analysis

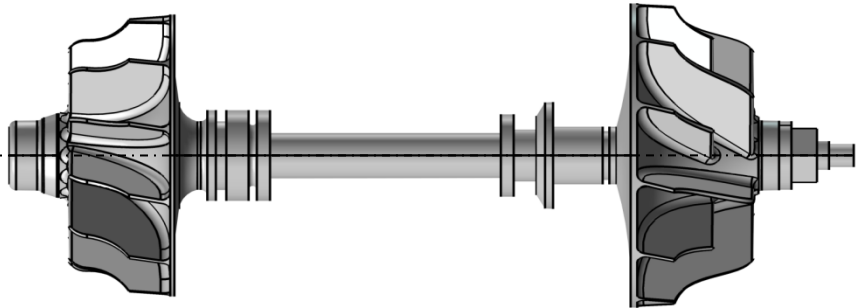
Eigenfrequency 1=2009.24Hz Surface: Displacement, RMS (m)



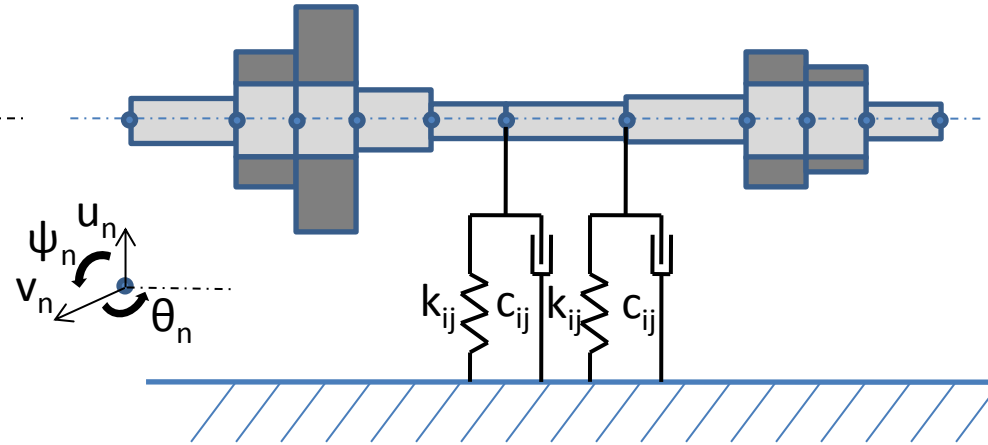
Eigenfrequency 2=5875.77Hz Surface: Displacement, RMS (m)



Analysis of the rotor: reduction



75.000 volume elements



10 beam elements

Analysis of the bearing: thin film approach

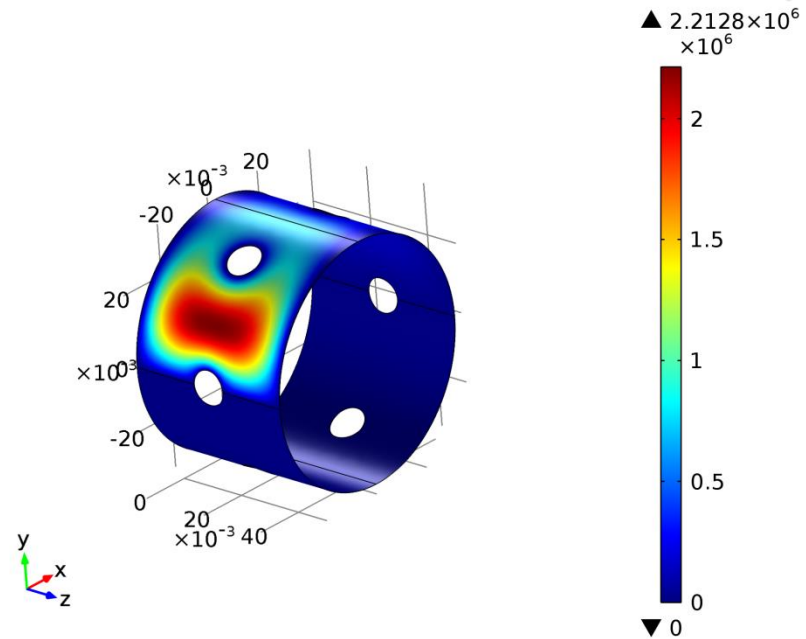
CFD analysis:

$$\rho \mathbf{g} - \nabla p + \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} = \rho \frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt}$$

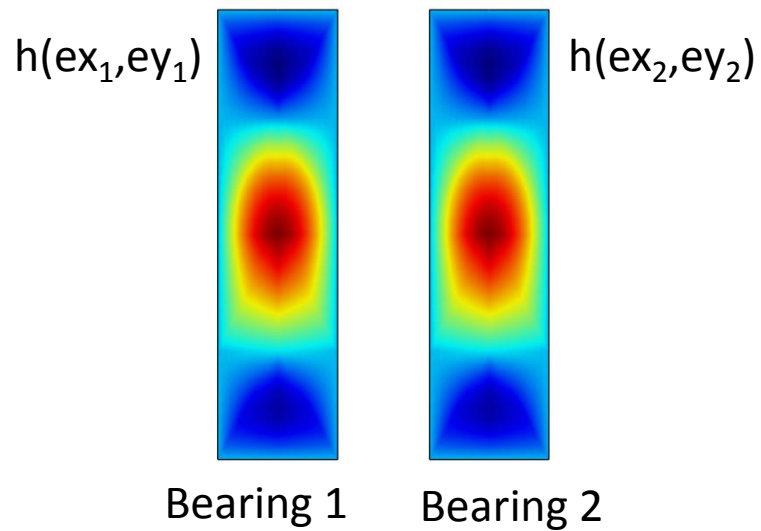
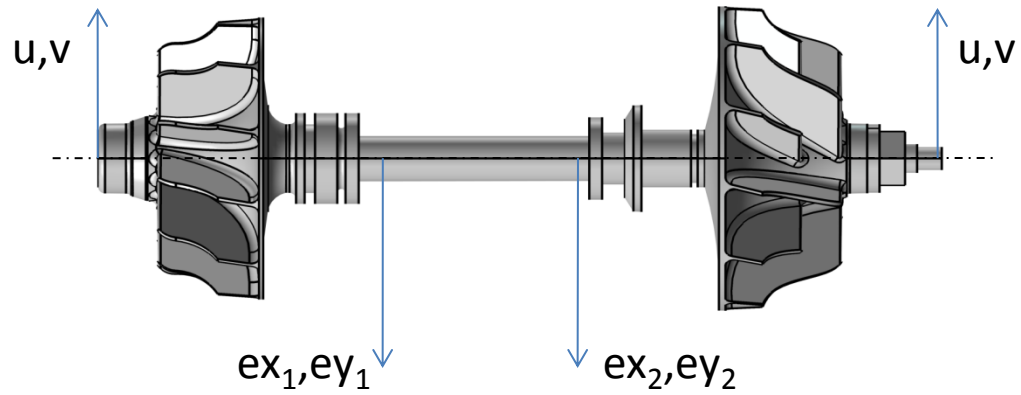
Comsol Thin Film Module:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho h) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \rho h U = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left\{ \frac{\rho h^3}{12\mu} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right\} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left\{ \frac{\rho h^3}{12\mu} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \right\}$$

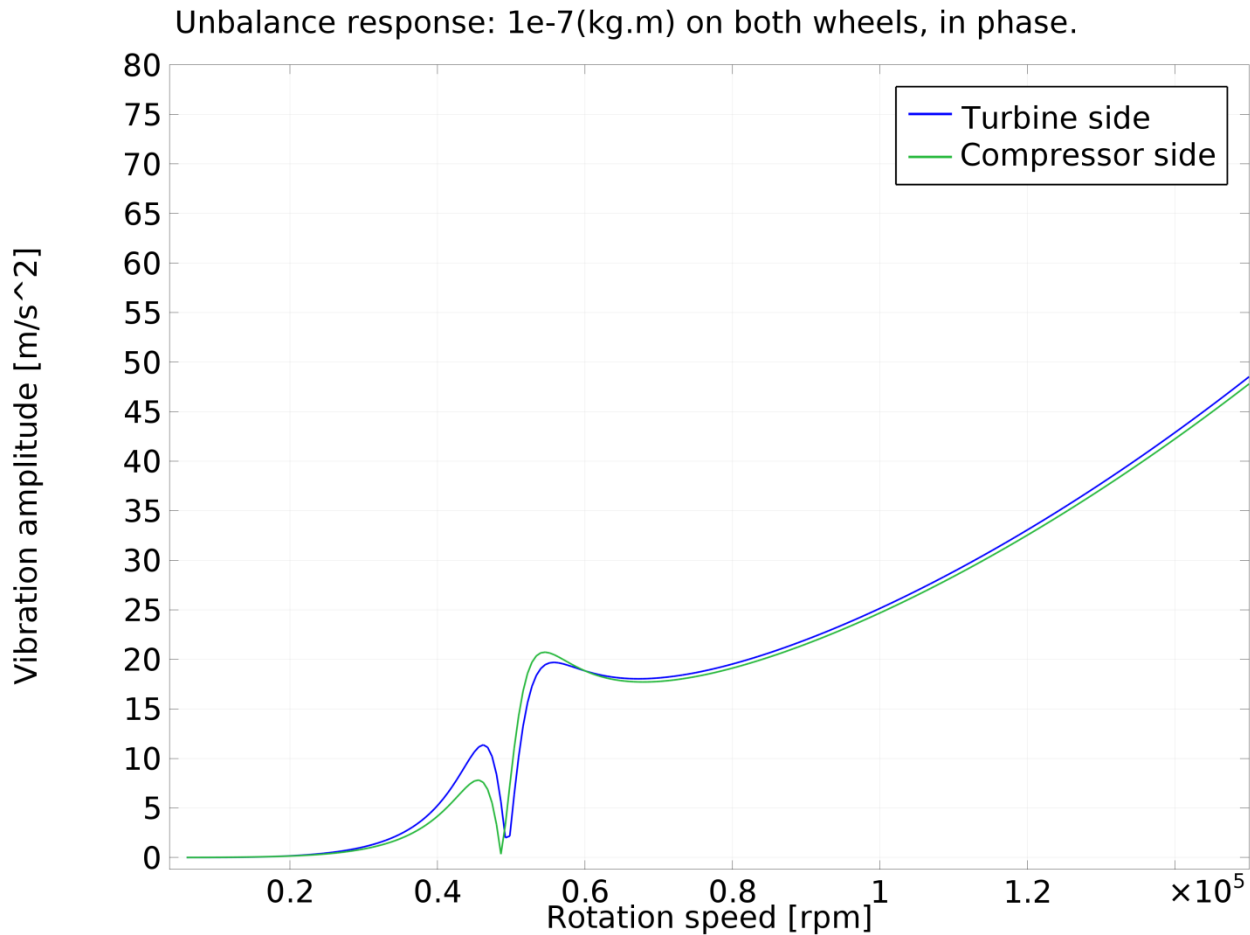
Assumptions always need to be checked



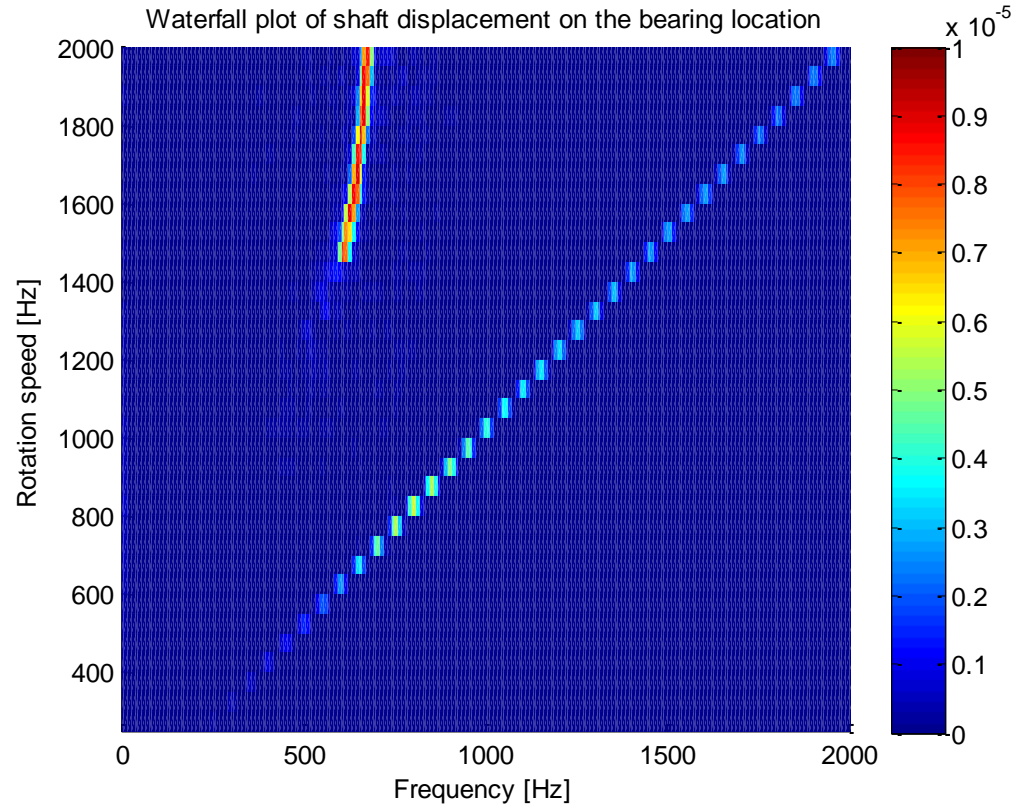
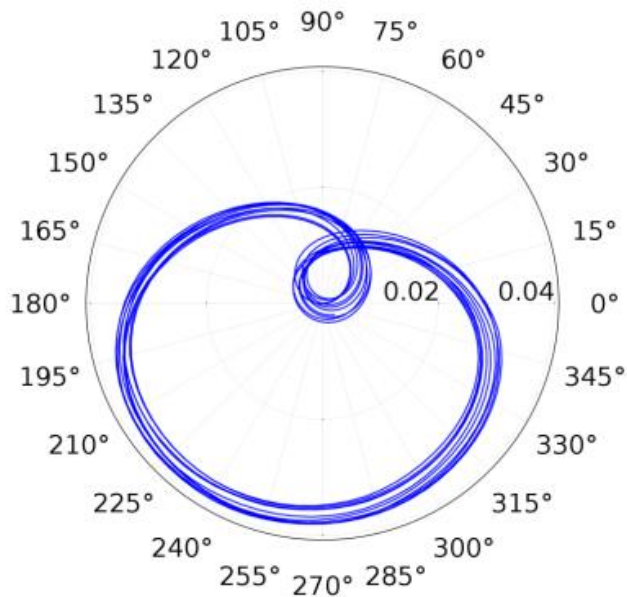
Coupling



Analysis of the coupled rotor-bearing system: the effect of unbalance



Analysis of the coupled rotor-bearing system: sub-synchronous vibrations



Conclusions

- Rotors on hydrodynamic bearings show self-induced vibrations due to fluid-structure interaction
- The response of the non-linear rotor-bearing system can be analyzed using run-up simulations over the full operating range, and shows many interesting/dangerous non-linear vibration phenomena

