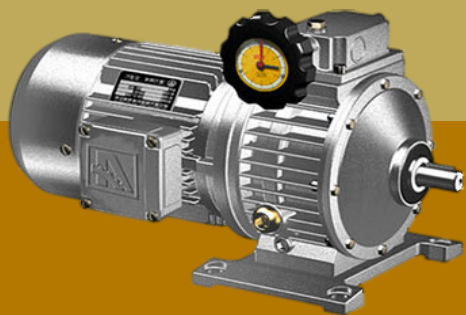




Infrared thermography is used to perform P/PM inspections on mechanical equipment because excess heat means excess friction. Before a mechanical component fails, it heats up. Thermography is used to see the excess heat so that maintenance personnel can act to correct the problem before the component fails and causes damage to the component, safety hazards and/or production downtime.



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Mechanical Equipment

Some examples of mechanical equipment where thermography is used:

Pumps (overheated connections, fuse problems, overloaded electrical cables etc)

Process valves (open, closed, leakage)

Storage tanks (sludge levels)

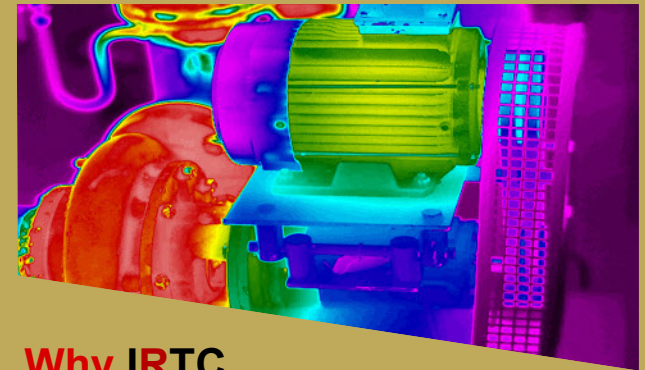
Pipelines (check if and where there are anomalies, for example locate build up of scale etc)

Motors (overheating bearings, misalignment, overheated windings)

Conveyor belts (overheated bearings)

Furnace inspections (ideal for monitoring all types of furnaces, heaters and boilers for refractory integrity and break down .)

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