Getting Control for Optimal Plant Control



Improving Processes. Instilling Expertise.











Agenda

- Feeding the crusher
- Automation





Feeding Arrangements

- The negative effects of poor feeding--how poor feeds cause extra costs to the operation and reduce productivity
- Some ideas how we can determine the source.
- Some ideas how to prevent and cure, reduce costs, increase plant and equipment utilisation and generally increase profitability.





Cone Crusher Function

- The CSS runs around the chamber so the action is basically rotational.
- Raw material enters the chamber on the OSS and is crushed one half revolution later by the CSS.
- This cycle takes place in most cone crushers 5 to 6 times per second.

Cone crushers have volumetric capacities.

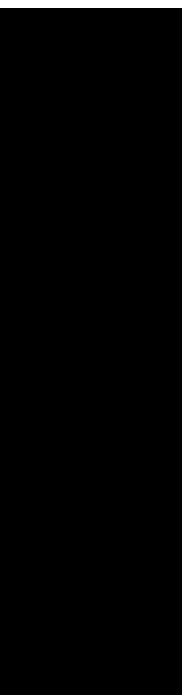


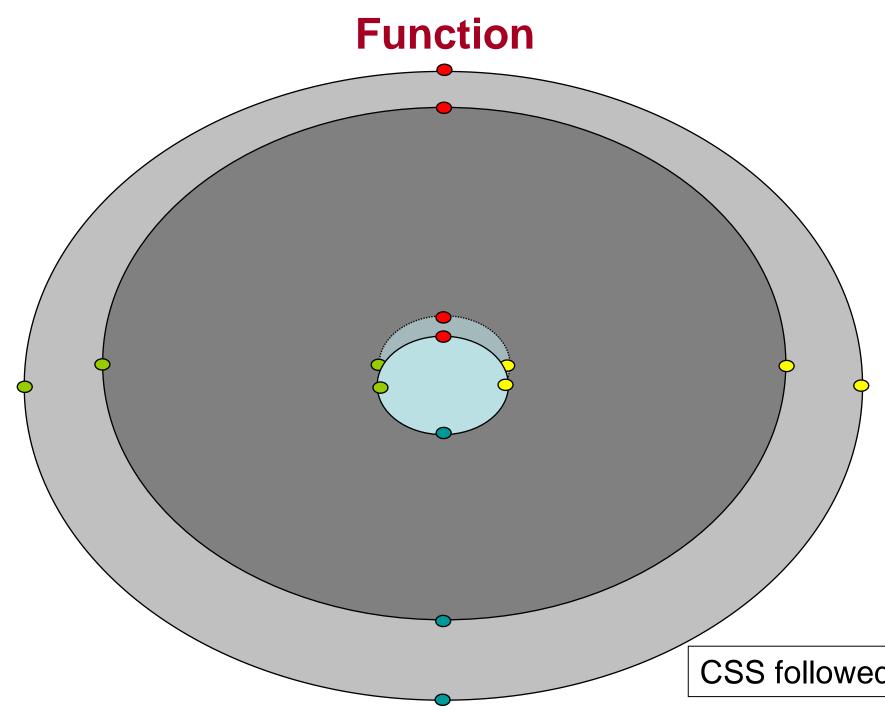


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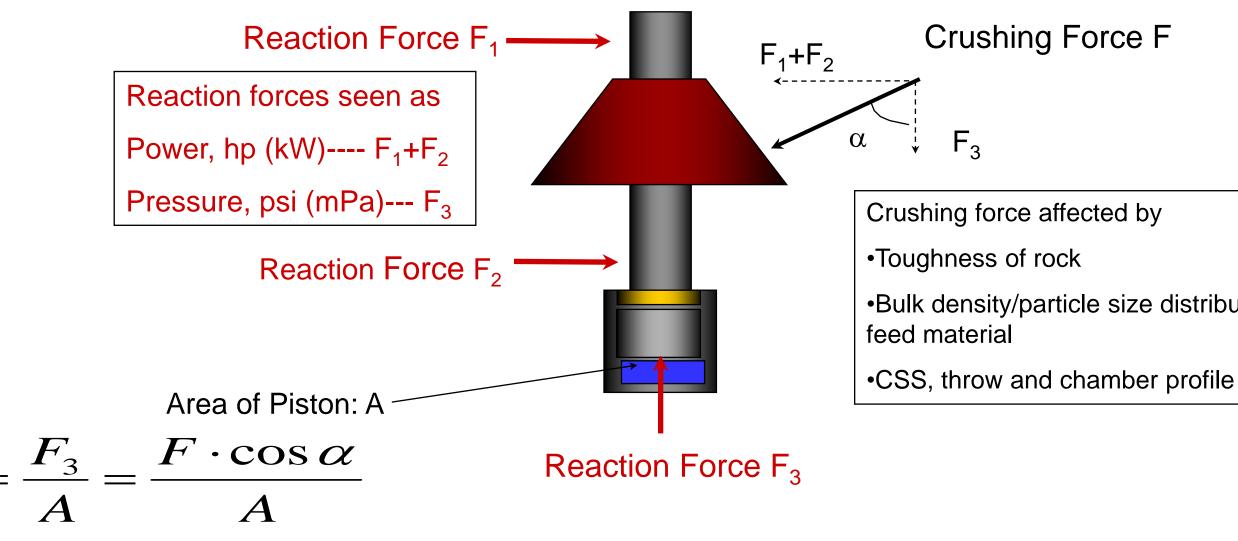


Concave

CSS followed 180⁰ later by OSS

Reaction to well distributed, unsegregated feed

A similar crushing force will be seen throughout each and every revolution





•Bulk density/particle size distribution of the

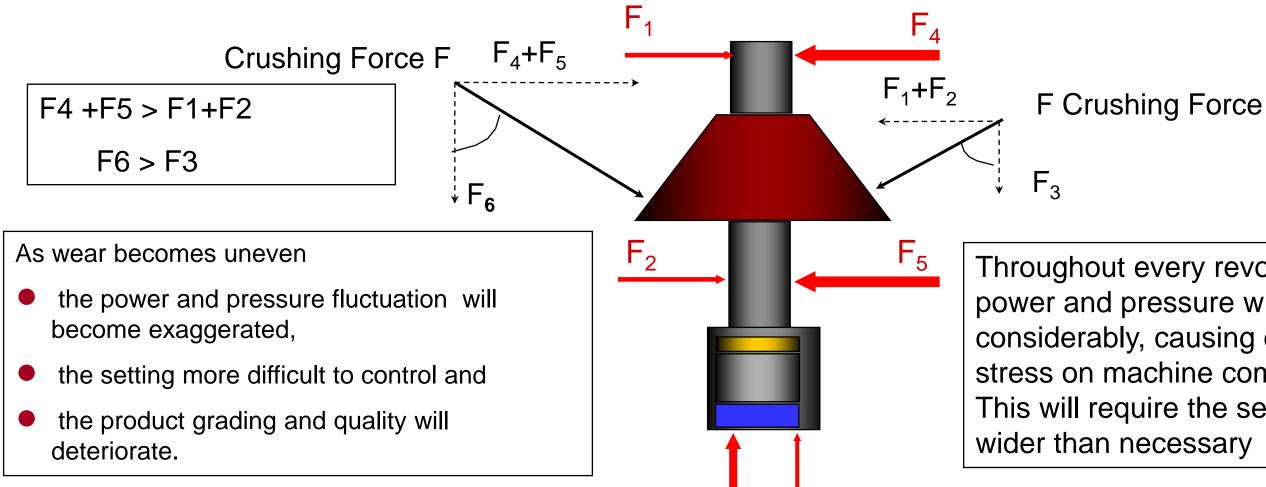




Possibly the greatest single factor in destroying crusher performance and process control.



Reaction to uneven, segregated feed



the chamber is empty



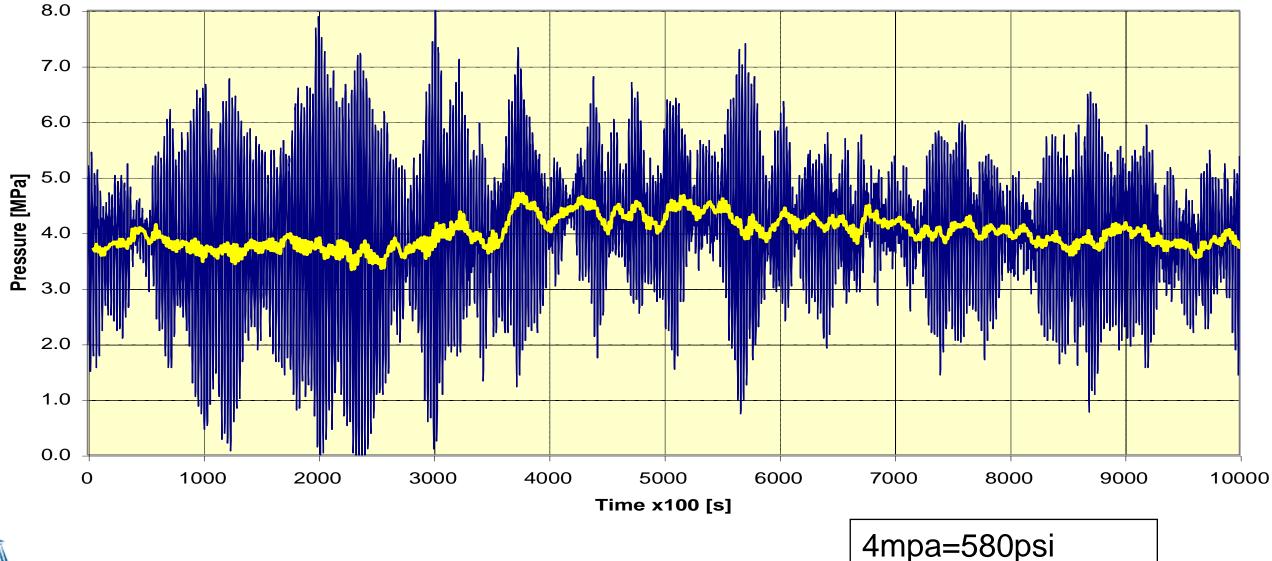
Zero reaction at any point during the revolution will suggest a portion of

Throughout every revolution both power and pressure will fluctuate considerably, causing extreme cyclic stress on machine component parts. This will require the setting to be run

CH880, tertiary application

Misaligned/segregated feed - High pressure amplitudes

Misaligned Feed

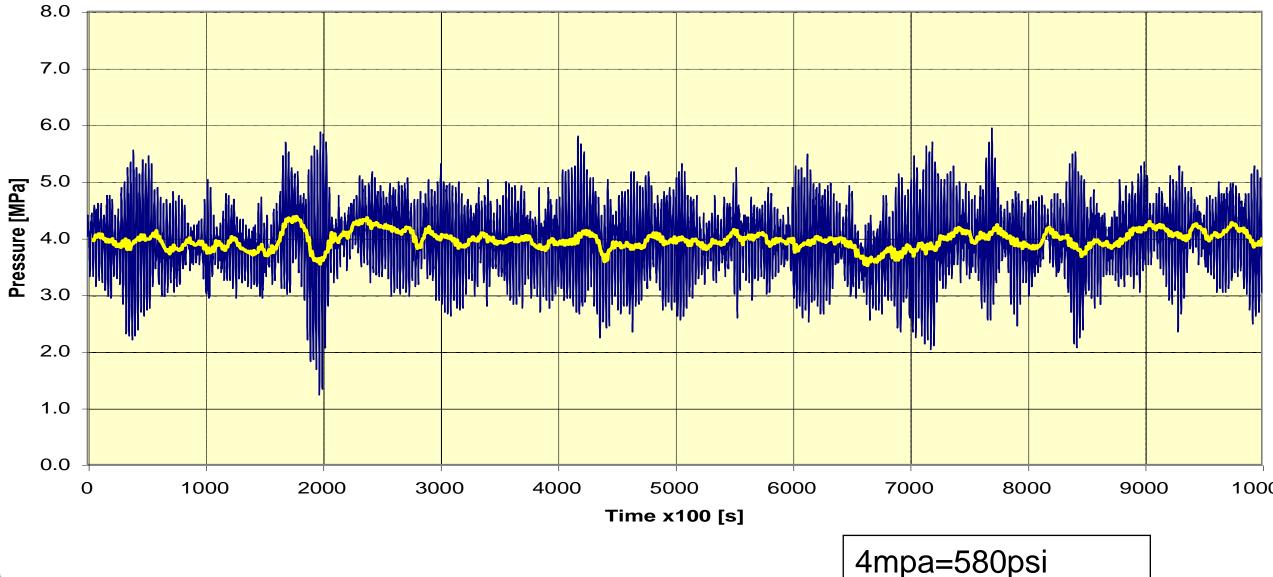






Improved segregation

Aligned feed- Low pressure amplitudes





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What are the negative effects?

High power and pressure will cause the crusher to be run at wider than necessary settings resulting in coarser product therefore higher recirculating loads with increased conveying, wear and crushing Costs.

Higher circulating loads leads to lower system feed, less product on the ground.

Occasionally the necessity for increased crushing will demand increased capital investment.

Segregated and poorly distributed feeds will cause the crusher liners to wear unevenly, again with deteriorating performance and associated Costs.

Product will become coarser and less cubical. Costs??



What are the negative effects?

Segregation and uneven wear will cause reduction in liner life through premature exchange. Costs??

Segregation and uneven wear will cause reduction in mechanical component life, often leading to traumatic failure and the costs of unplanned stoppages.

ALL IN ALL CONSIDERABLE COST TO THE OPERATION.



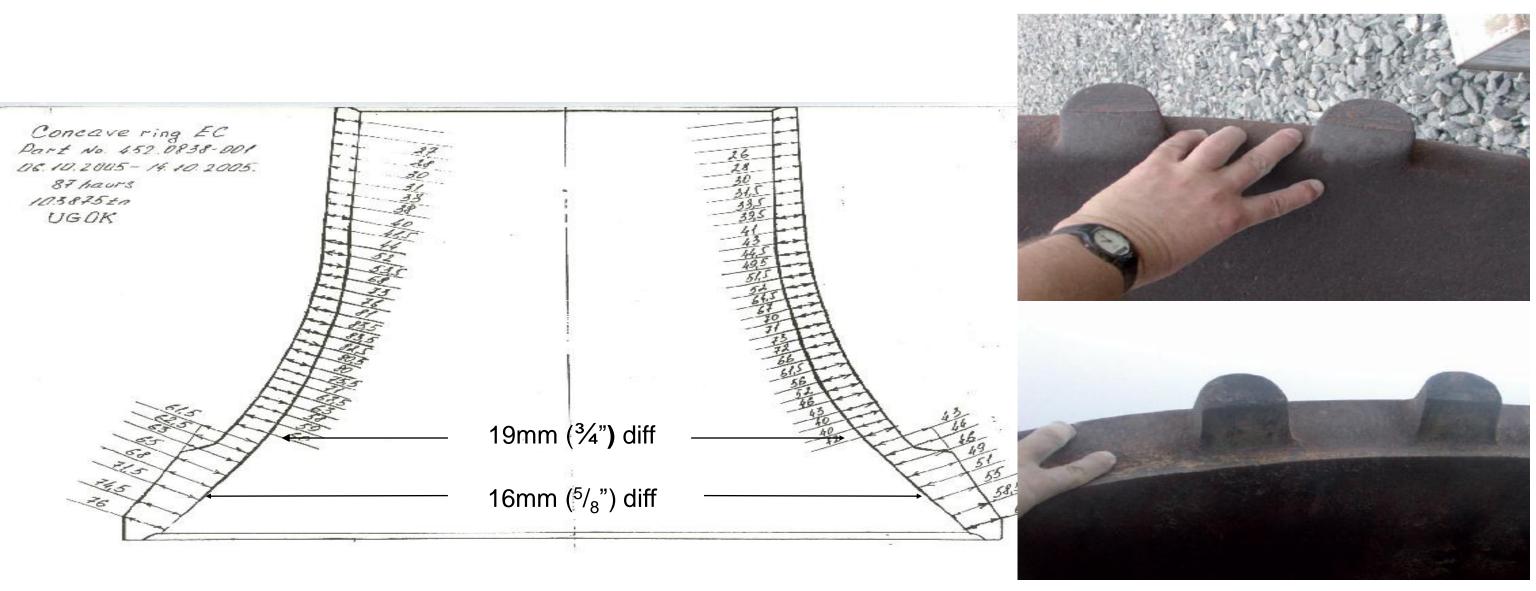
Case study Segregation



CH870 EC Iron ore



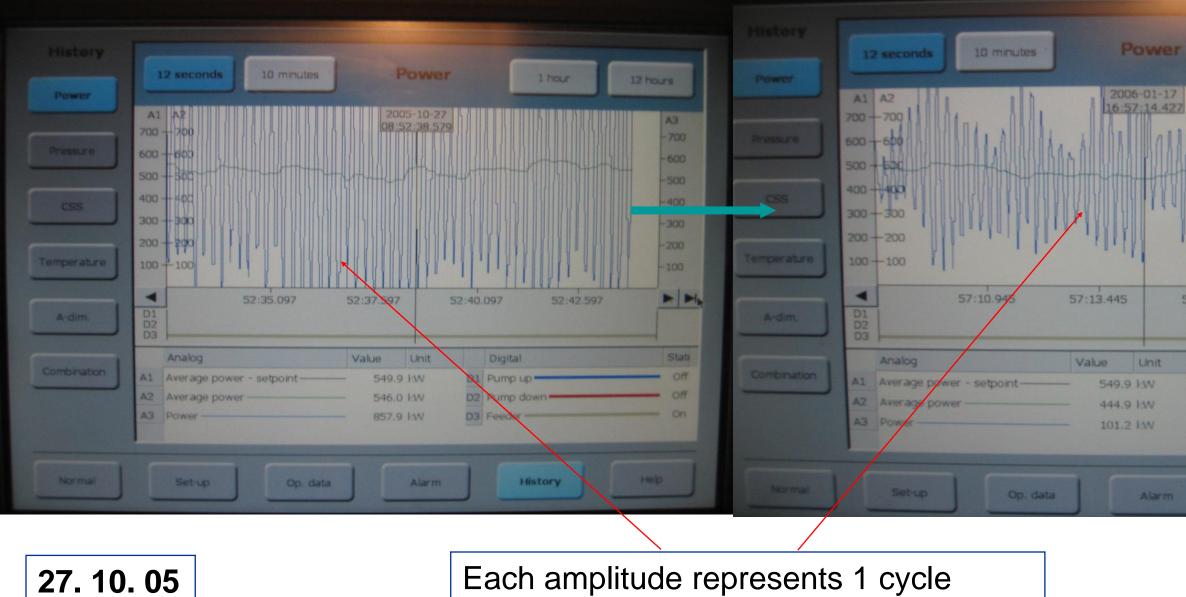
Negative effect of uneven wear



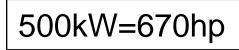
Demands much higher scrap weight----increased operating costs



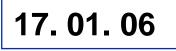
Improvements after fitting an RFD

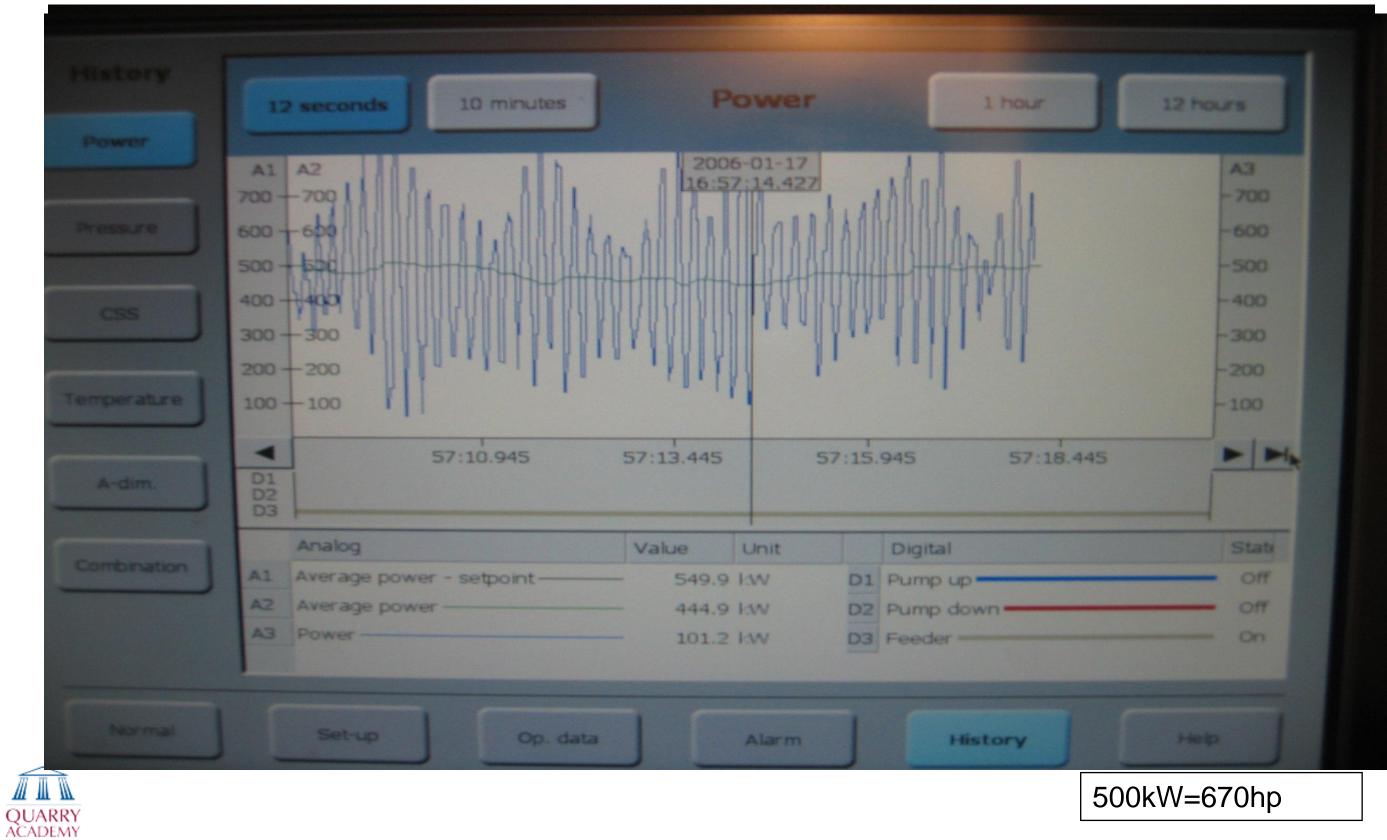




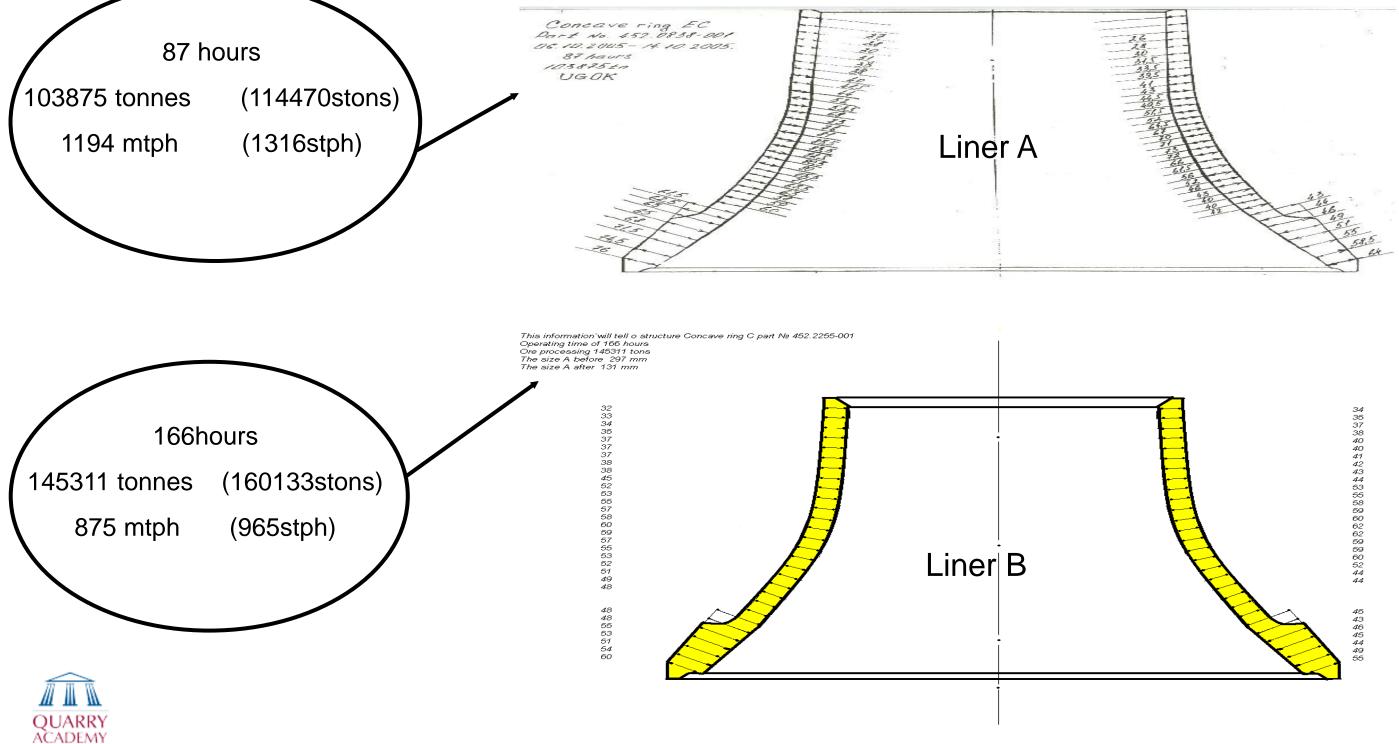


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Wear life improvement after fitting RFD





Cost comparison

	Liner A	Liner B
Hours	87	166
Tons	114470	160133
Tons/hr	1316	965
Average setting over liner lifetime	3 ³ / ₁₆ " (80mm)	2 ³ / ₈ " (60mm)
Differential wear	³ ⁄ ₄ " (19mm)	³ / ₁₆ " (5mm)
% oversize	47	22
Tons/hr oversize	619	212
Tons/hr product	697	753
Additional cost assuming \$0.5/ton	\$310/hour	\$106/hour
Wear cost	10000/(697 x 87)	10000/(753 x 166)
(assuming \$10000 per set)	=\$0.165/ton of product	=\$0.08/ton of produc





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Early Prevention

During the design stage, whether a <u>new plant</u> or <u>plant extension</u> or replacement crusher is being planned, careful consideration is required to the design of the feeding arrangement.

Material normally arrives in a stream, from a conveyor, feeder or chute—the need is for even full width distribution with no segregation.

Height can be an ally when available and employed to constrain material, change flow direction, combat segregation and remove impact, but a deadly enemy when working against us--too little height gives no opportunity.



Early Prevention

- Flexibility in design---e.g.... the opportunity to alter the position and speed of the material discharge point and trajectory.
- Each feed arrangement design is unique, can be complex and may require several compromises
- THE OPERATIONAL SUCCESS AND OVERALL **OPERATING COST OF THE INSTALLATION WILL DEPEND ON A SATISFACTORY DESIGN.**



Late cure

WHY segregation?

- In general conveyor belts.
- Narrow high speed belts.
- Elevated material fed with a trajectory.
- Transfer points discharging at angles
- Conveyors to bins



Belt width and speed







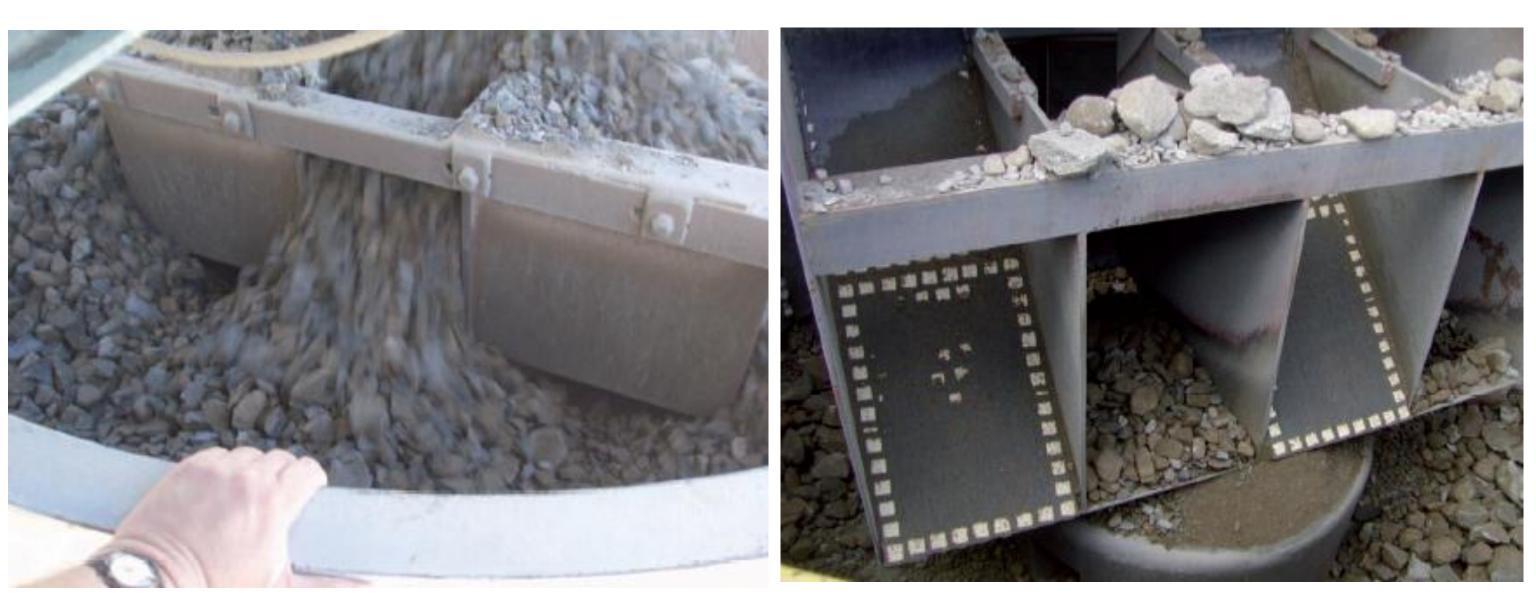
Belt width and speed







Static distributors and splitters













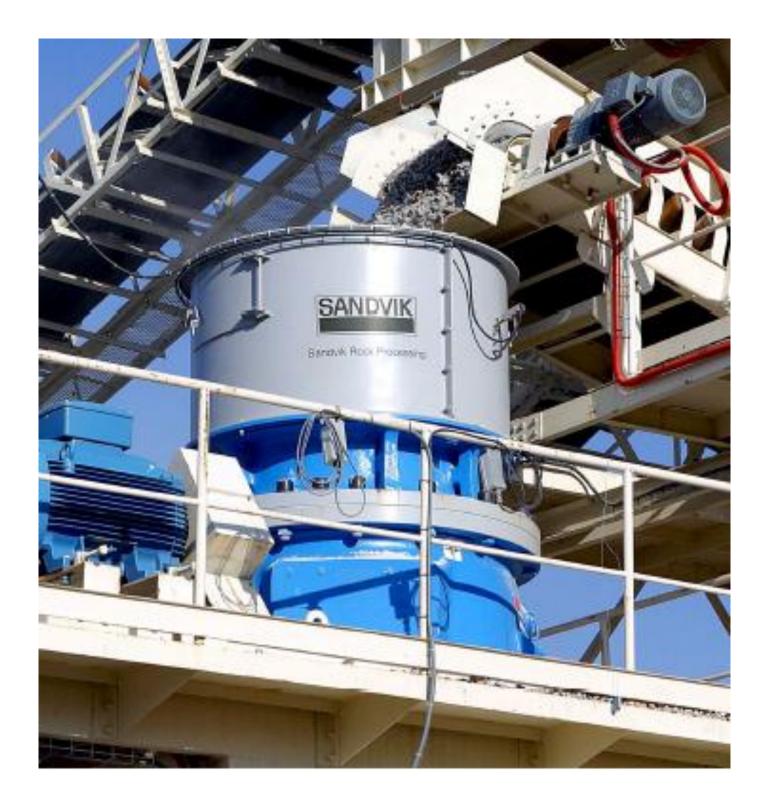
















Poorly designed crusher feeds leading to segregation or uneven distribution are extremely costly and often remain so for the life of the operation. These costs result from:

- 1. Re-crushing oversize through running crushers wider than necessary.
- 2. Detrimental effects on product quality.
- 3. In serious cases increased capital expenditure
- 4. Energy and wear costs as oversize is transported around the plant.





5.Poor utilisation of manganese liners through uneven wear.

6.Poor utilisation of component parts through extreme cyclic overloading.

7.In serious case traumatic unplanned mechanical failures.

8.Lost business opportunities.



Improved feeding

I hope we have given an insight into some causes, consequences and possible solutions to poor feeding.

Segregation and /or poor distribution, if they already exist can and should be improved.



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Automation - Control



- \succ How many of you have some form of automation in your plants today?
- How many of you have some form of automation on your cone crushers today?



Why Automation Control ?

- Repetitive conditions
- Free up man power
- Increase reaction time
- Control a system remotely
- Increase efficiency of a system
- Maximize efficiency of a piece of equipment
- Increase product quality
- Protect capital investment
- Optimize a particular product
- Monitoring operation
- Data gathering









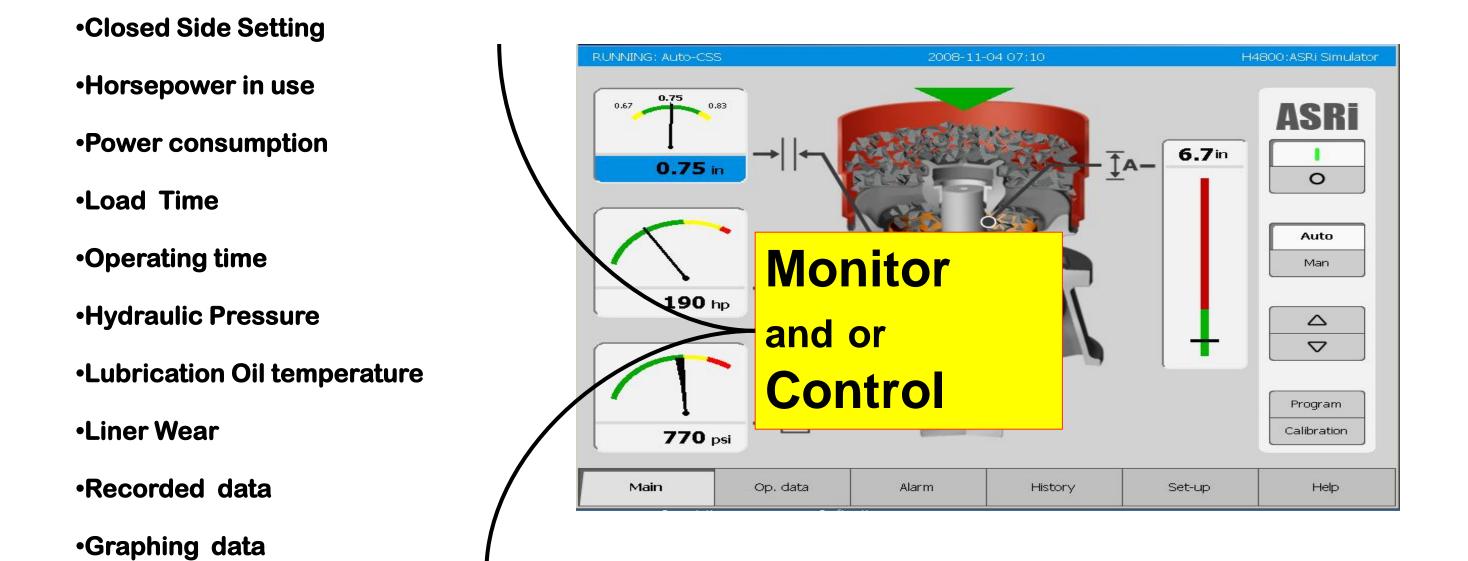
WHY AUTOMATE YOUR CONE CRUSHER ?

- Realize a higher return on your investment.
 - Higher net production of desired products
 - Optimum power utilization
 - Continuous generation of quality products
- Protection of your investment
 - Constant overload protection
 - Continuous adjustment compensating for changes in material characteristics
 - Ability to analyze operational data

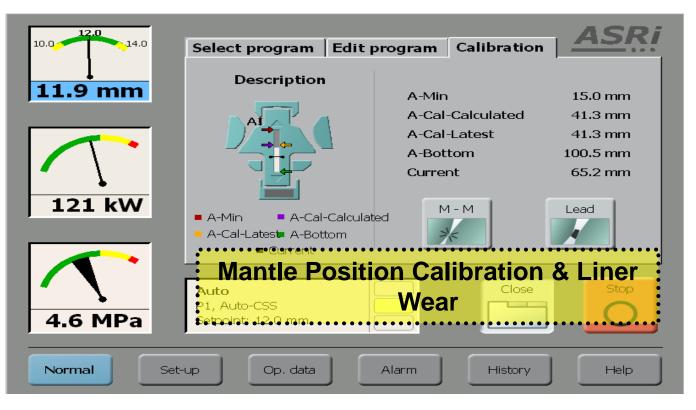


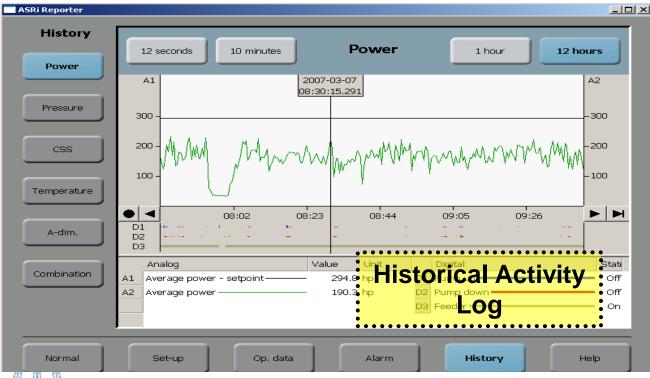


Monitor and Control Available at a push of a button

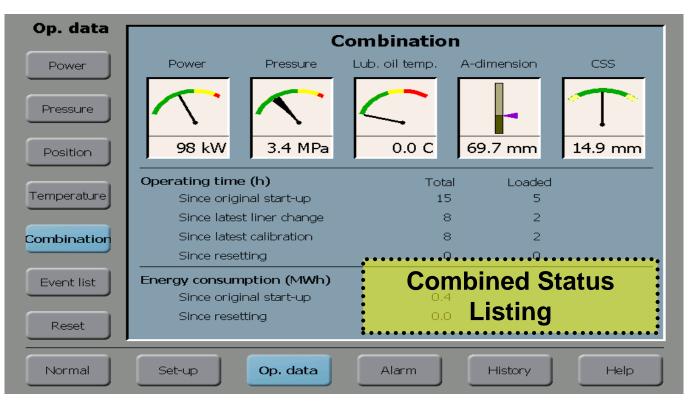


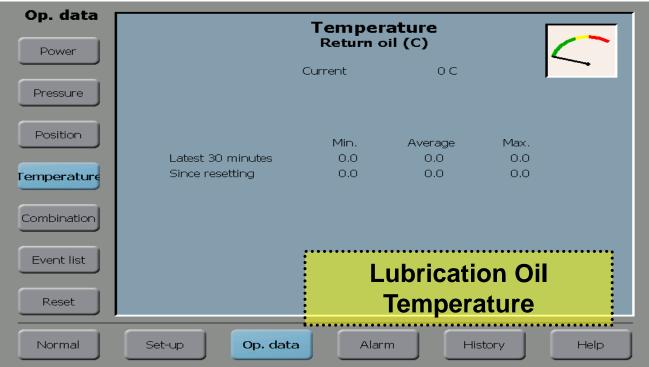


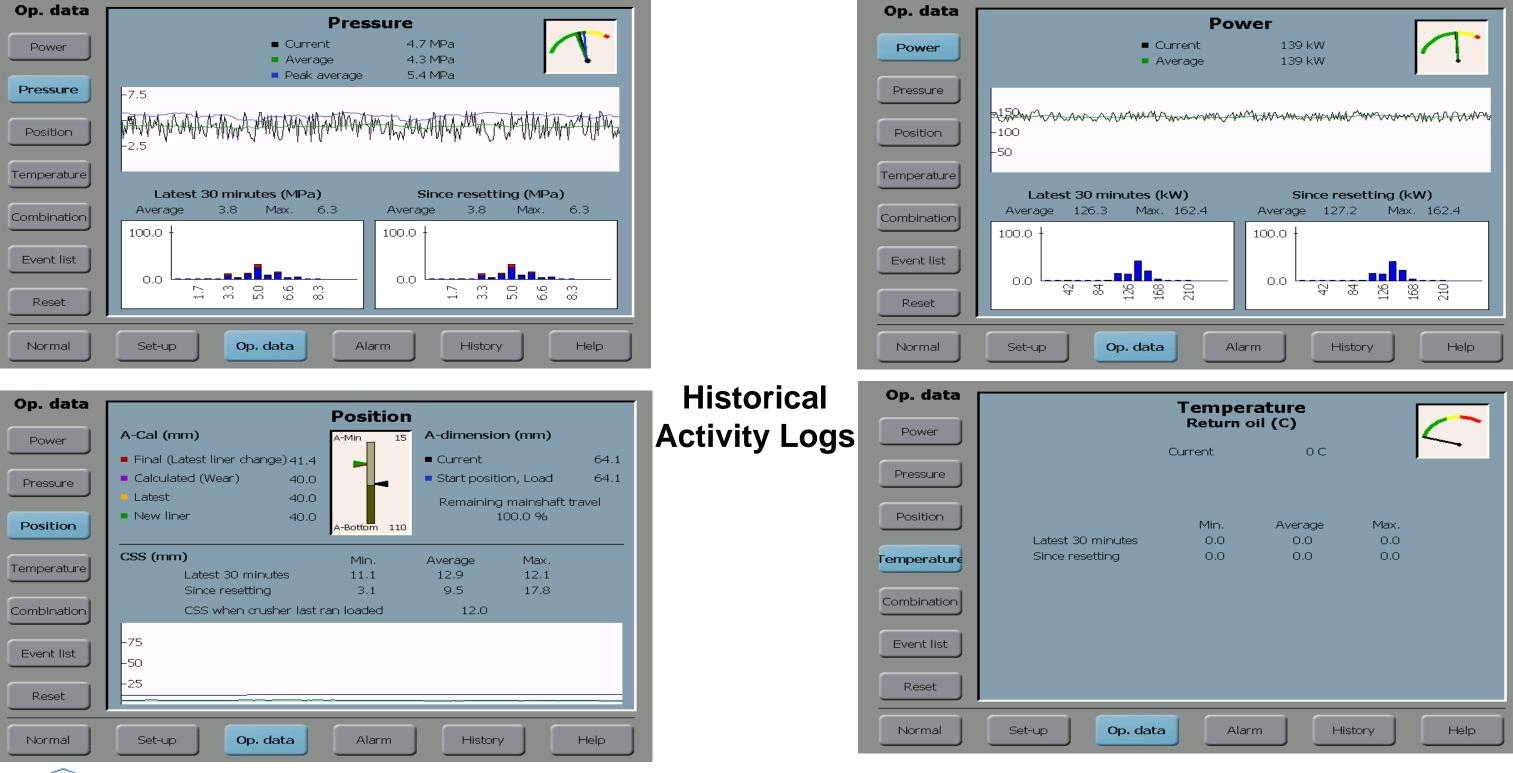




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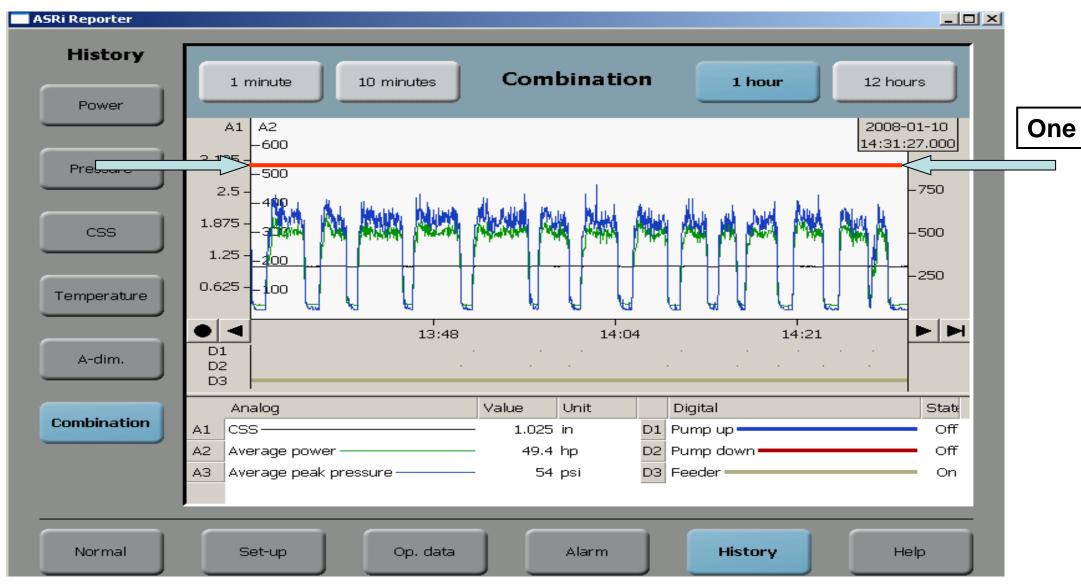






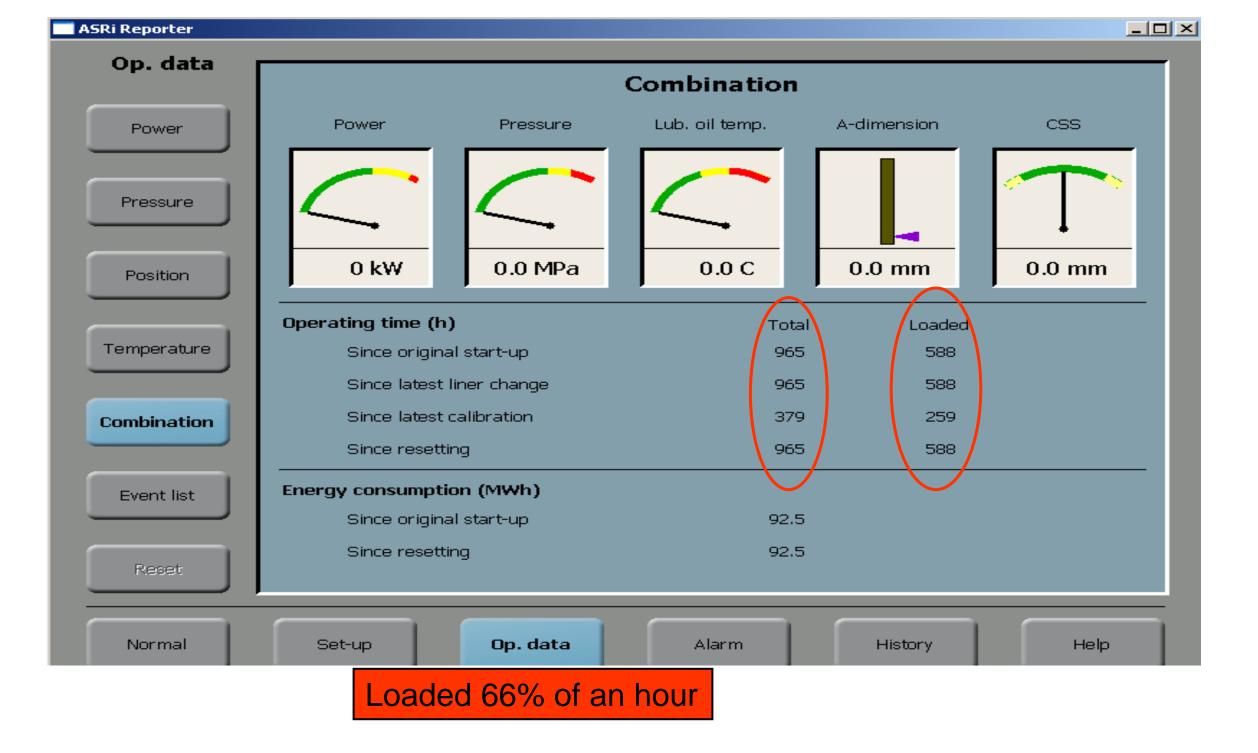


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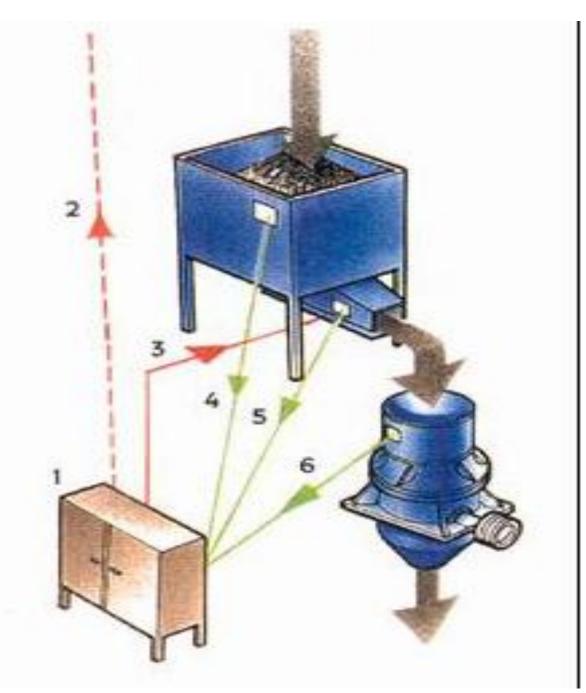
One Hour time span





System Automation & Control

- 1.Switch gear unit
- 2.Stop signal to feeder
- 3.Control signal to feeder
- 4.Max. level in surge bin
- 5.Min. level in surge bin
- 6.Max. level in crusher feed hopper





Automation

- Other things to consider
 - Automation mode vs Manual mode
 - Durability of use
 - Is the tool easily used



In summary automation of a compression crusher will provide:

- Higher net production of desired products •
- Optimum utilization of motor power •
- Continuous adjustment of setting to compensate for feed conditions. •
- Full utilization of the units capacity •
- Constant overload protection •
- The ability to analyze operating data
- The opportunity to monitor the unit from remote location.



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