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A device called a "Ball Bearing Motor" uses electrical energy to create rotational motion. On what parameters do the motor *efficiency* and the *velocity* of the rotation depend?

#### INTRODUCTION

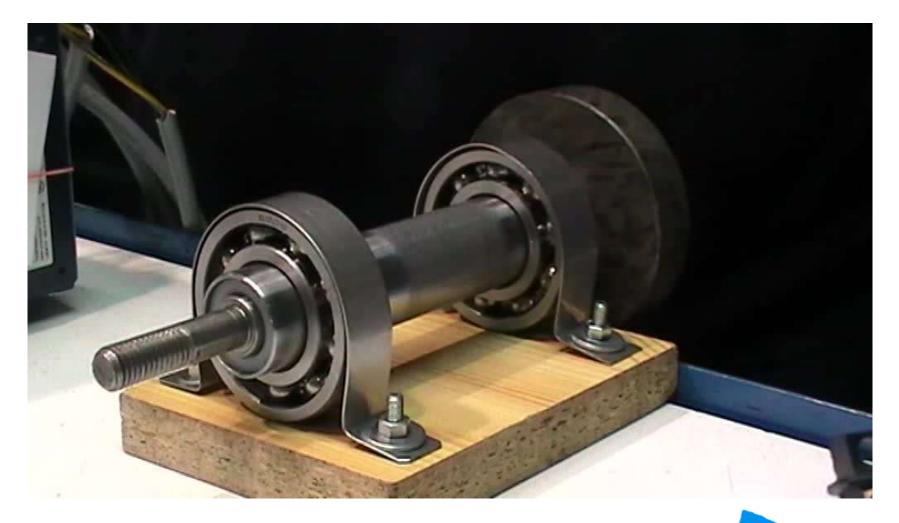
# What is a "Ball Bearing Motor"?



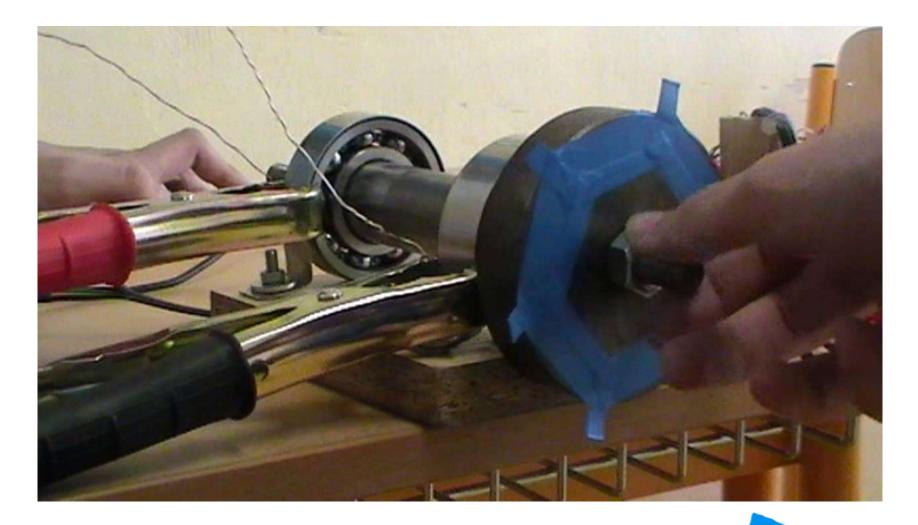








# It Works!





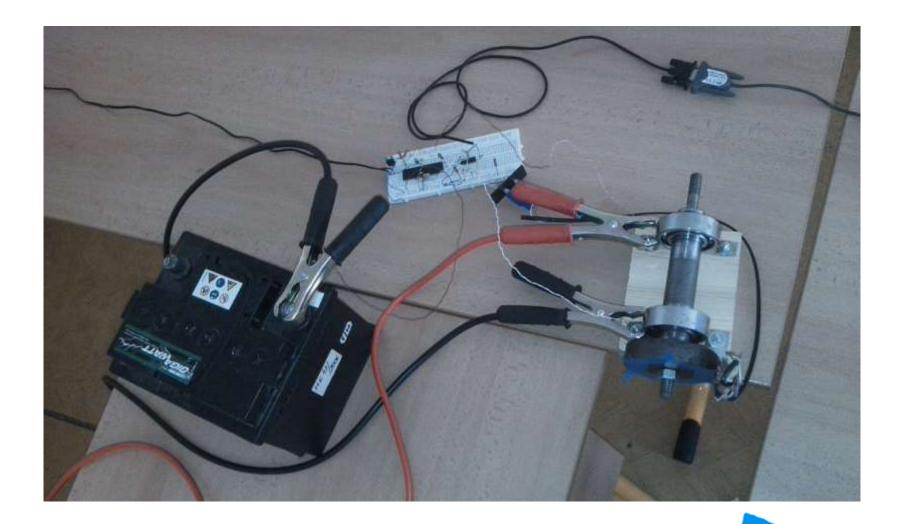
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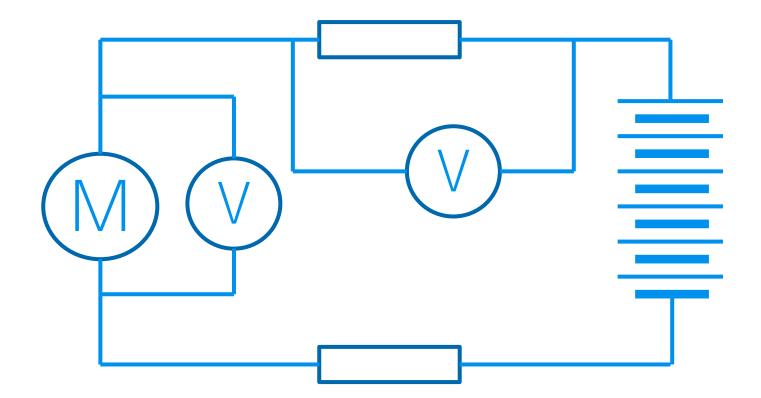
#### EXPERIMENTS

# Experimental apparatus



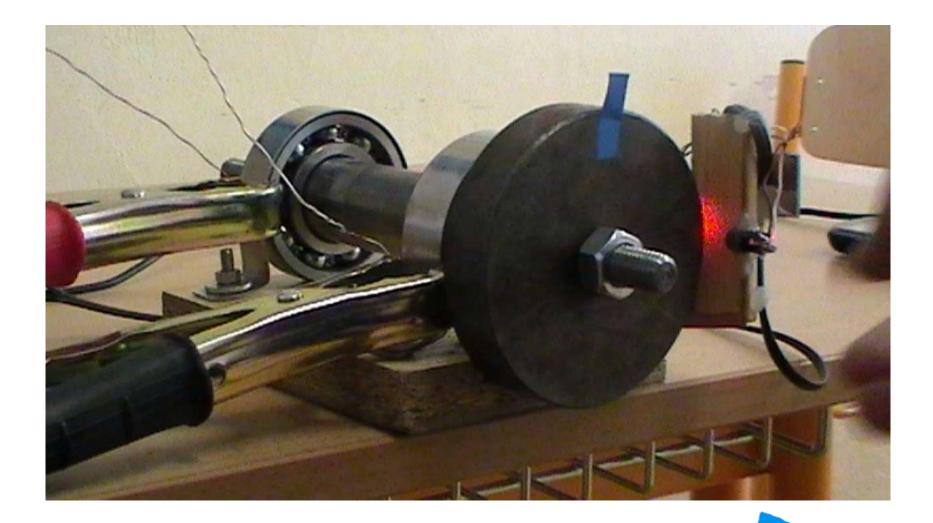
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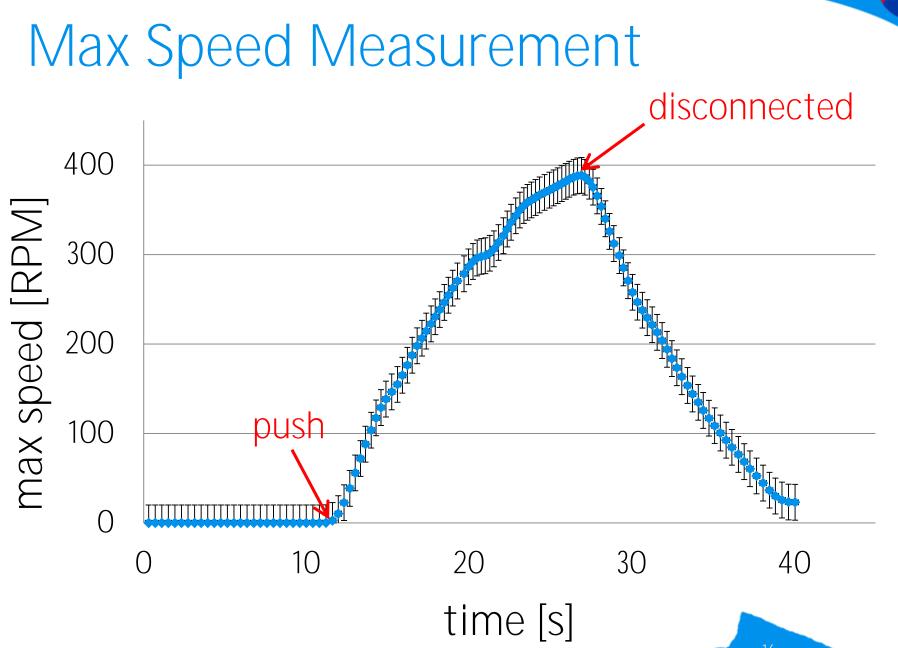




# Experimental Results

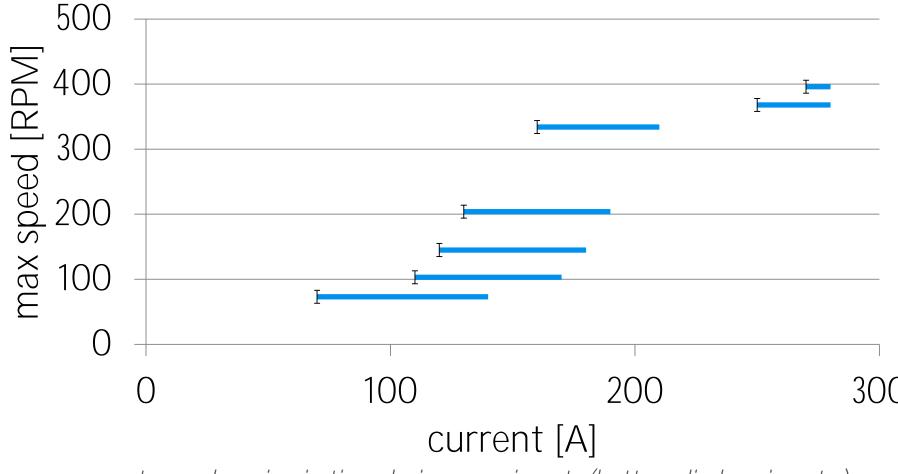
#### Max Speed Measurement



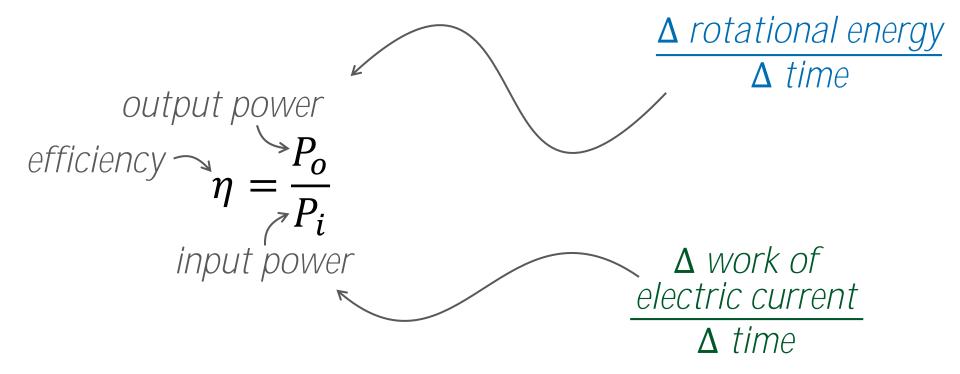


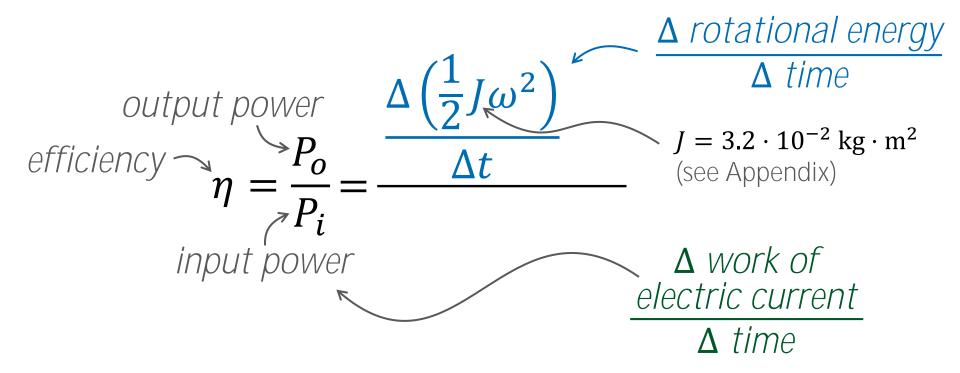
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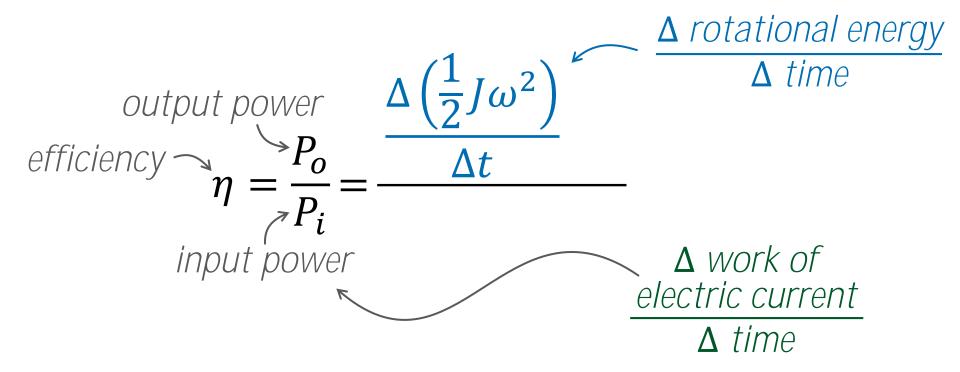
# Max Speed vs. Current

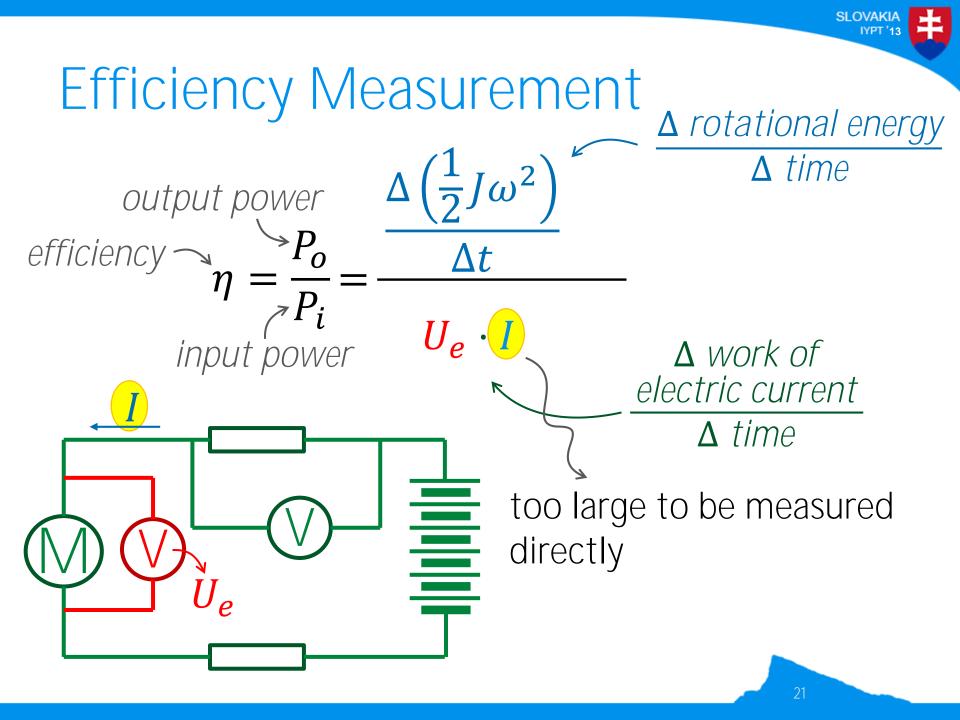


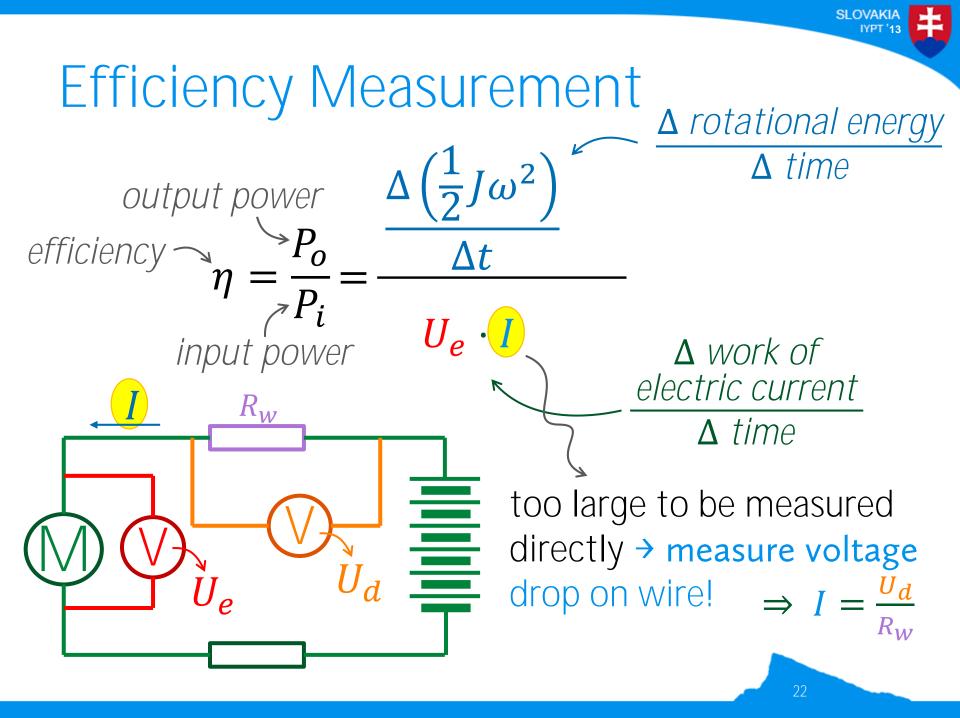
current was changing in time during experiments (battery discharging etc.)

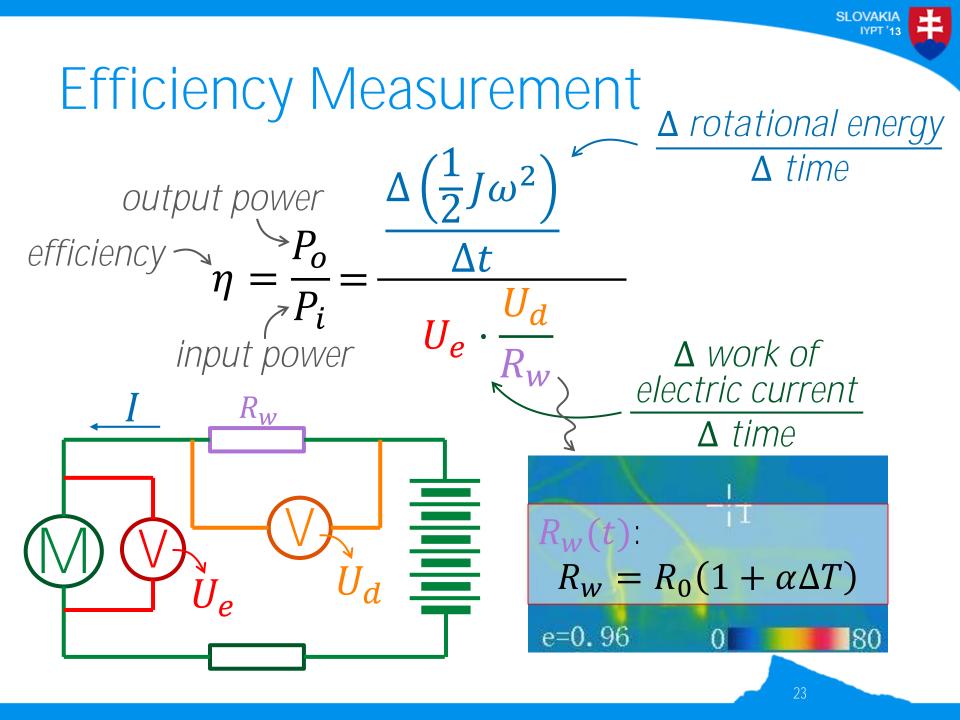


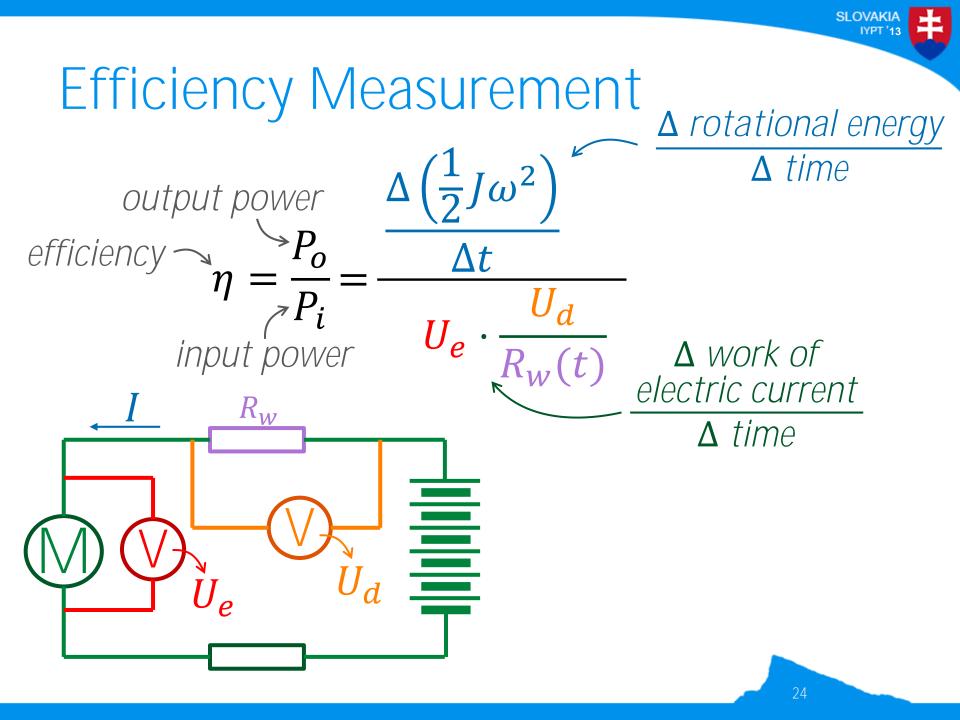


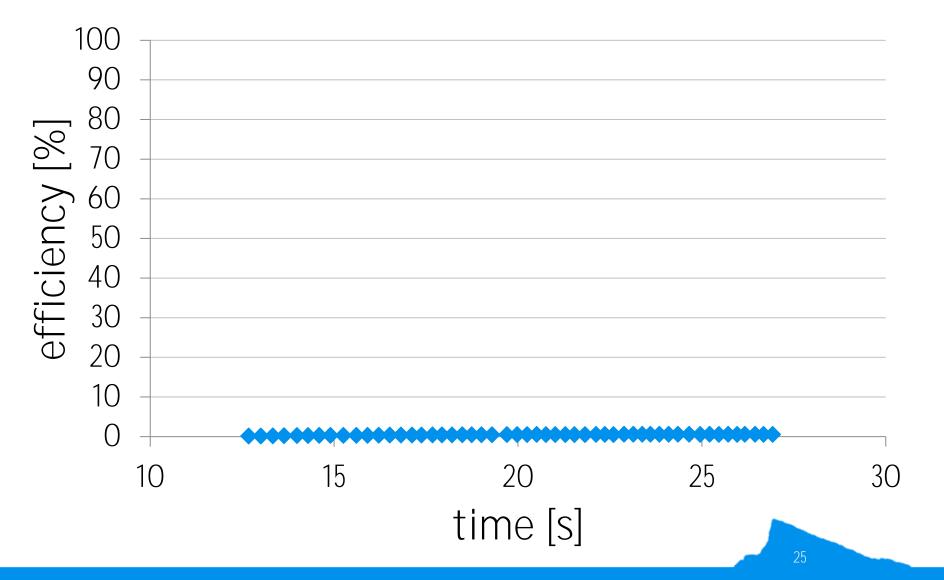


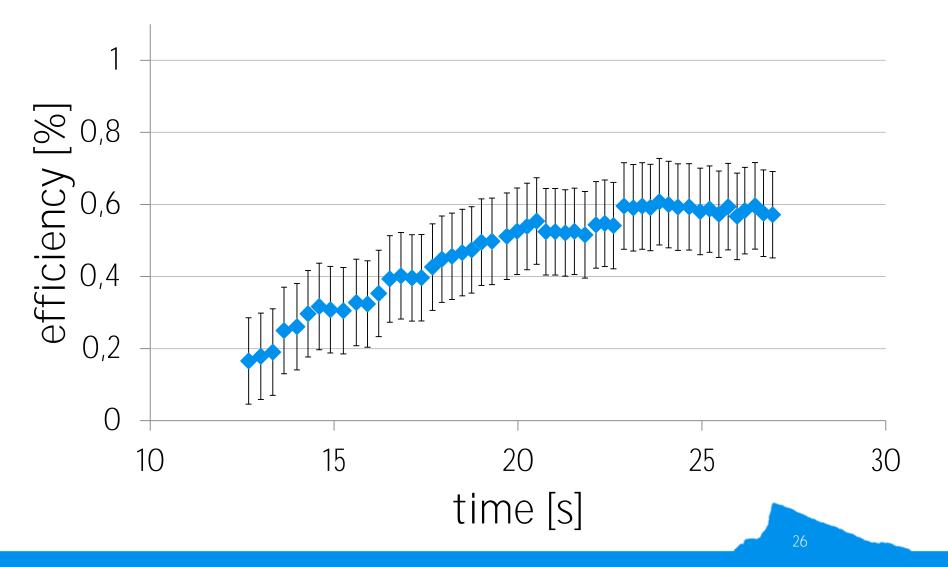


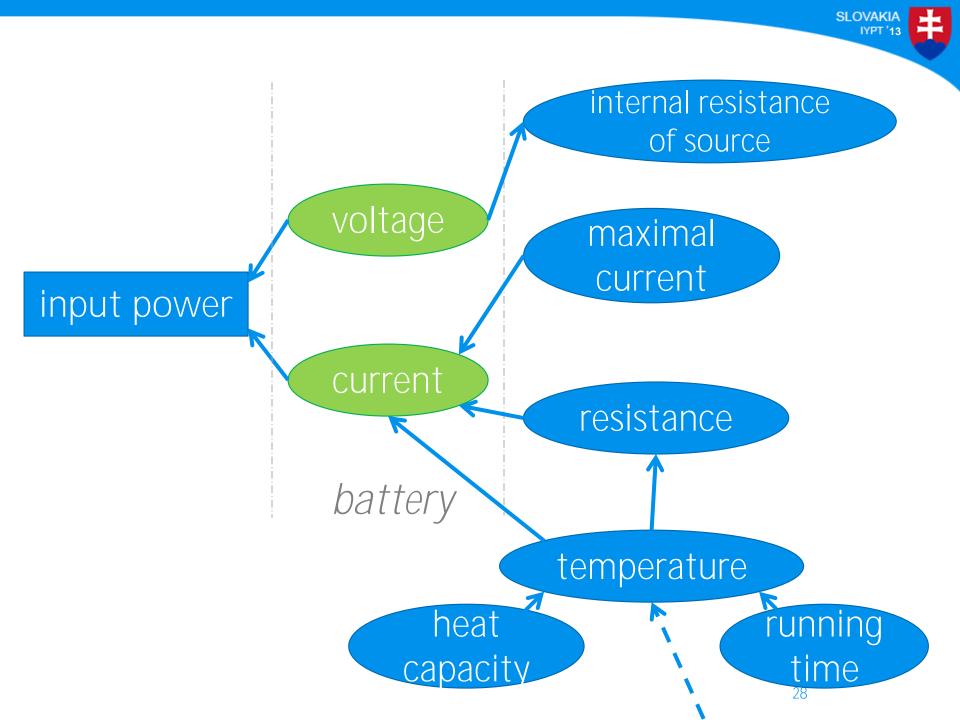


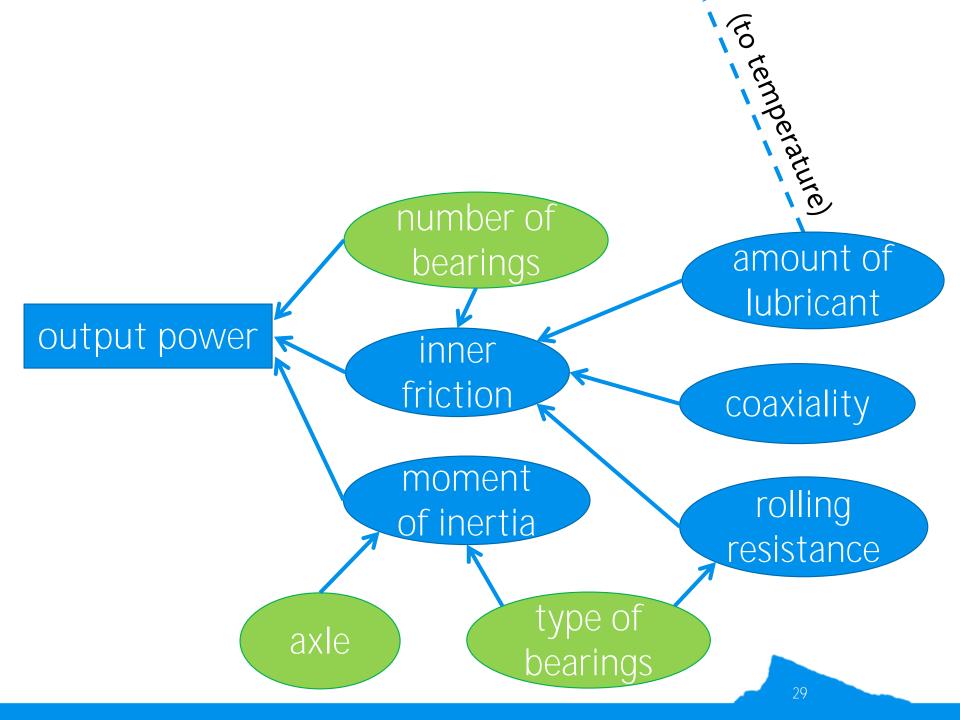










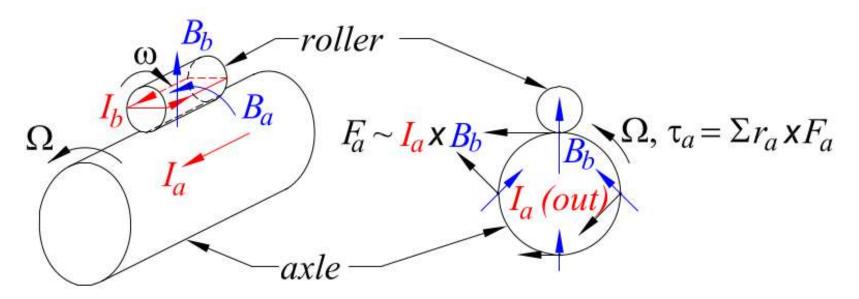




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Let us go a bit further...

#### #1: Magnetic Theory



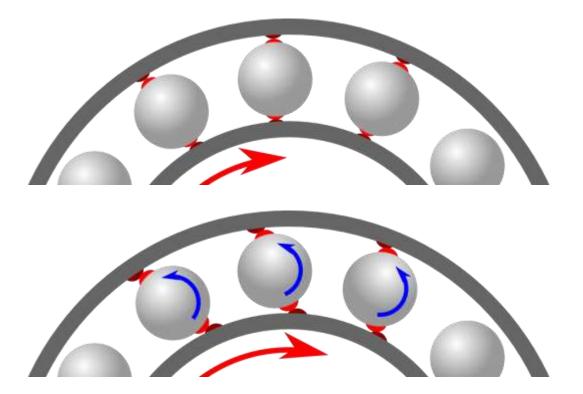
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# *explanation of rotation:* eddy currents in rollers/axle (several variations)

Kirk T. McDonald. Ball-Bearing Motor, Joseph Henry Laboratories, Princeton University, Princeton

#### #2: Thermal Theory



*explanation of rotation:* local deformations of surface caused by heating due to extreme current density

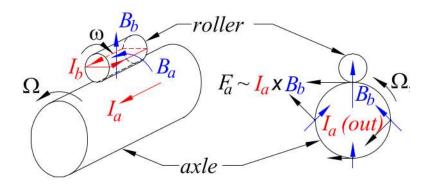
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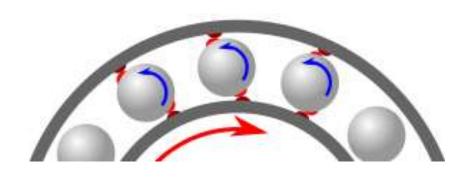
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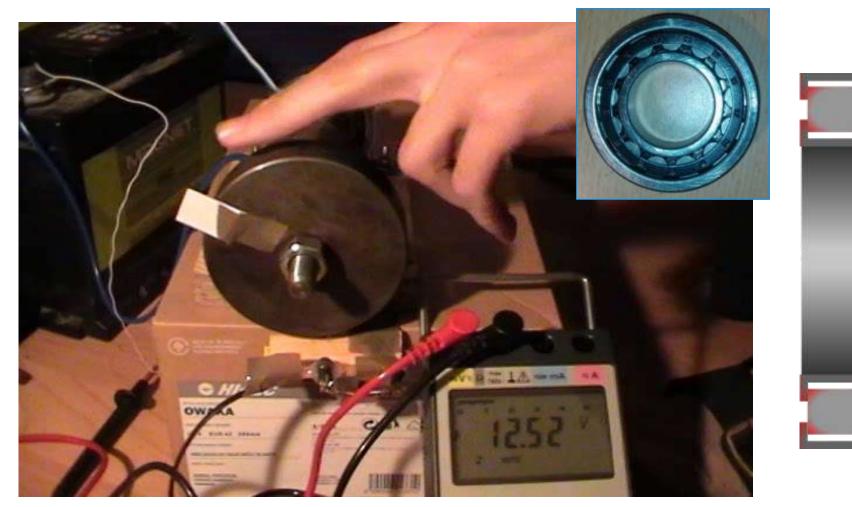
# should be qualitatively the same



could be different (different shape → different deformation)



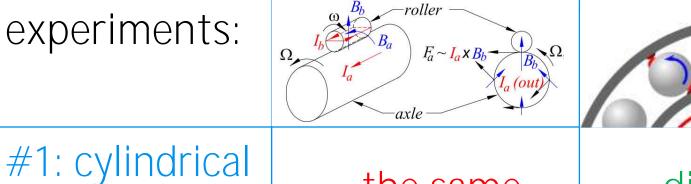
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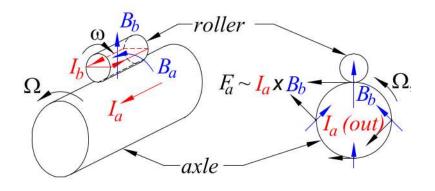


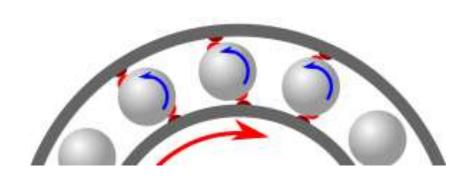
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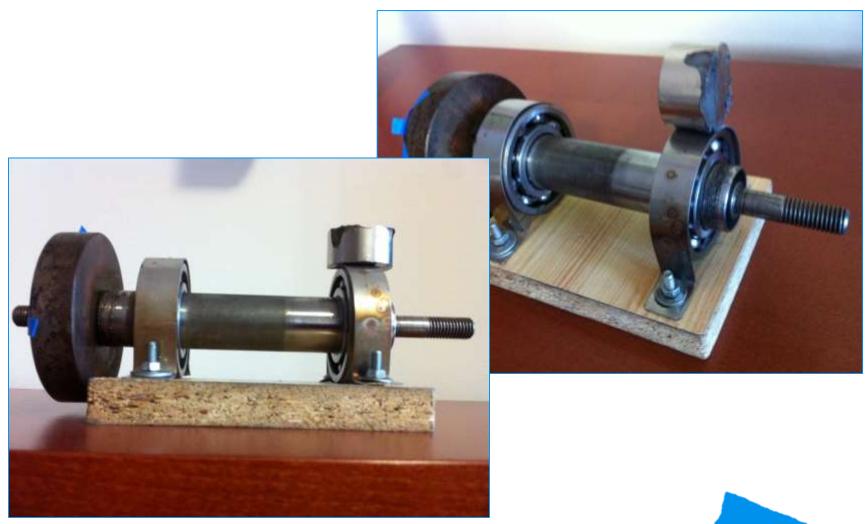
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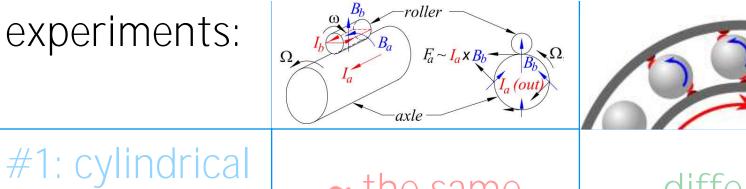


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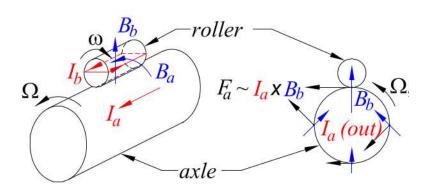
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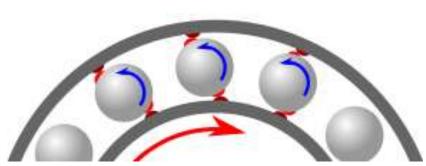
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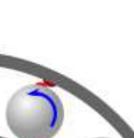




#### power decrease (greater friction)

#### power might increase (greater normal forces)



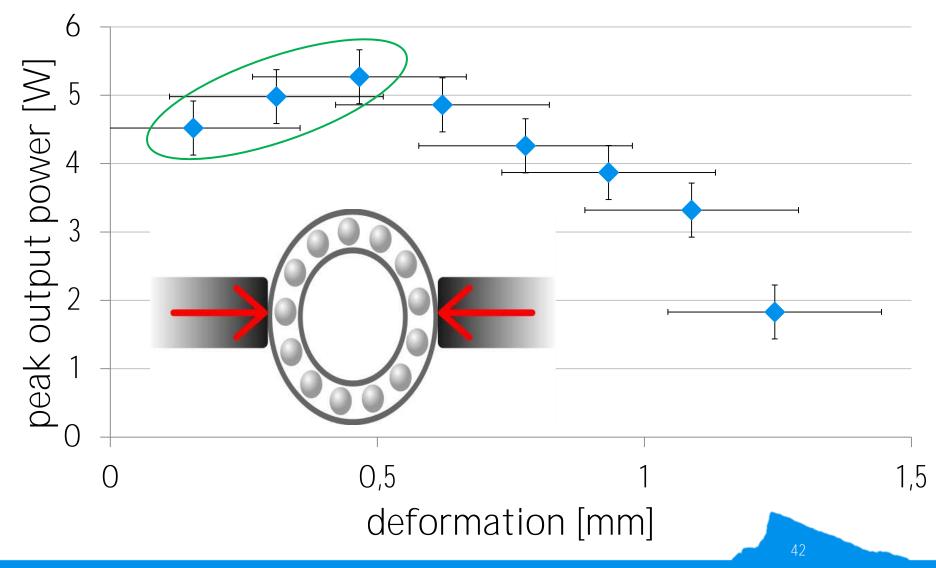


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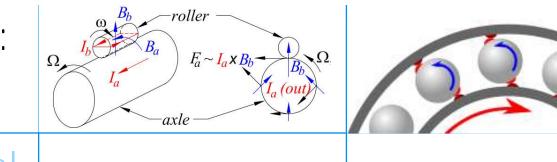
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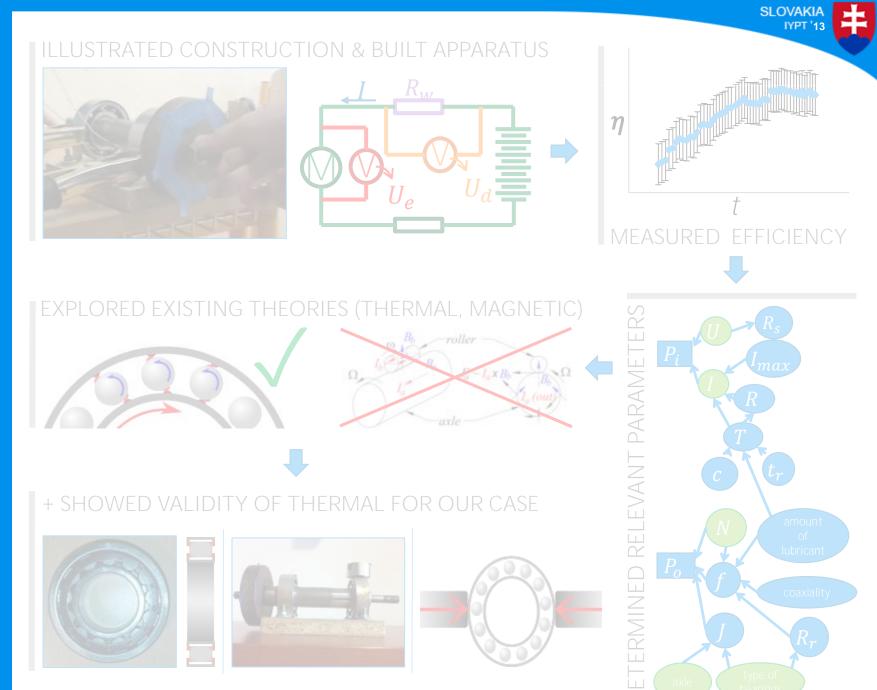
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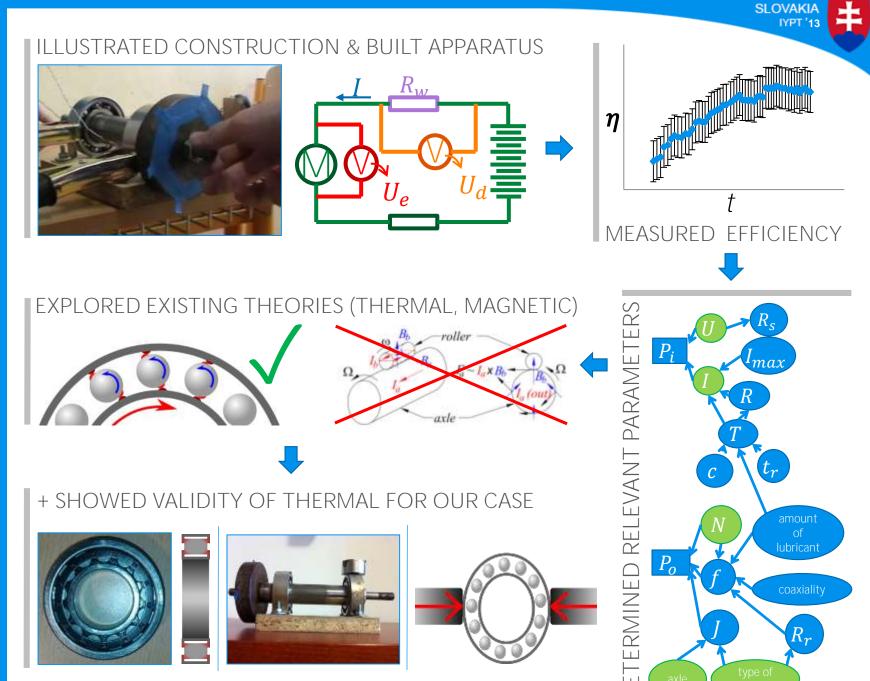
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experiments:	$\Omega = \begin{bmatrix} B_b & roller \\ I_b & B_a & E & I_a \times B_b \\ I_a & & I_a & (out) \\ axle & & & \\ \end{bmatrix}$	6333
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Appendices

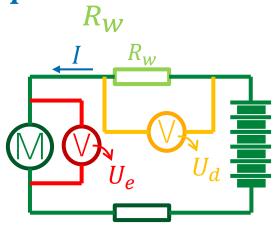
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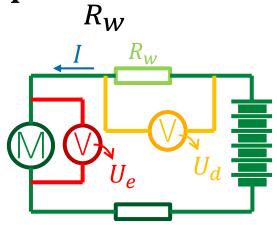
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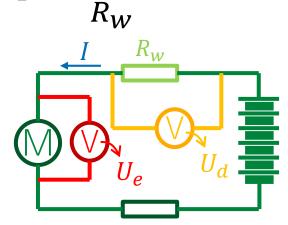
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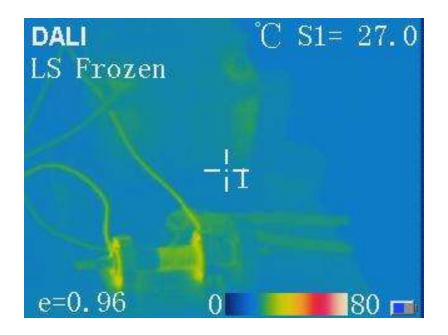


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#### $\rightarrow$ finding wire resistance R:

- discharge the battery so it sources measurable current (≈100A)
- 2. measure current & voltage drop simultaneously
- 3. calculate the resistance  $R_w = \frac{U_d}{I} = 0.0041 \Omega$

### Importance of temperature change



$$\Delta T = \frac{\int UI \, dt}{mc}$$
$$\Delta T \approx 80^{\circ}\text{C}$$
but it is also cooled by air

from  $R_w = R_0(1 + \alpha \Delta T)$ :  $\alpha_{Cu} = 4 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{K}^{-1} \Rightarrow 20\%$  resistance change

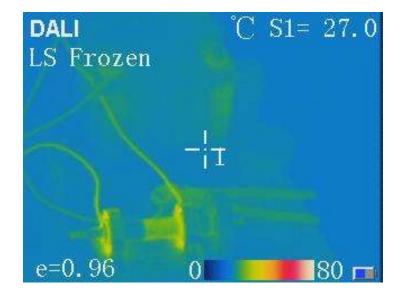


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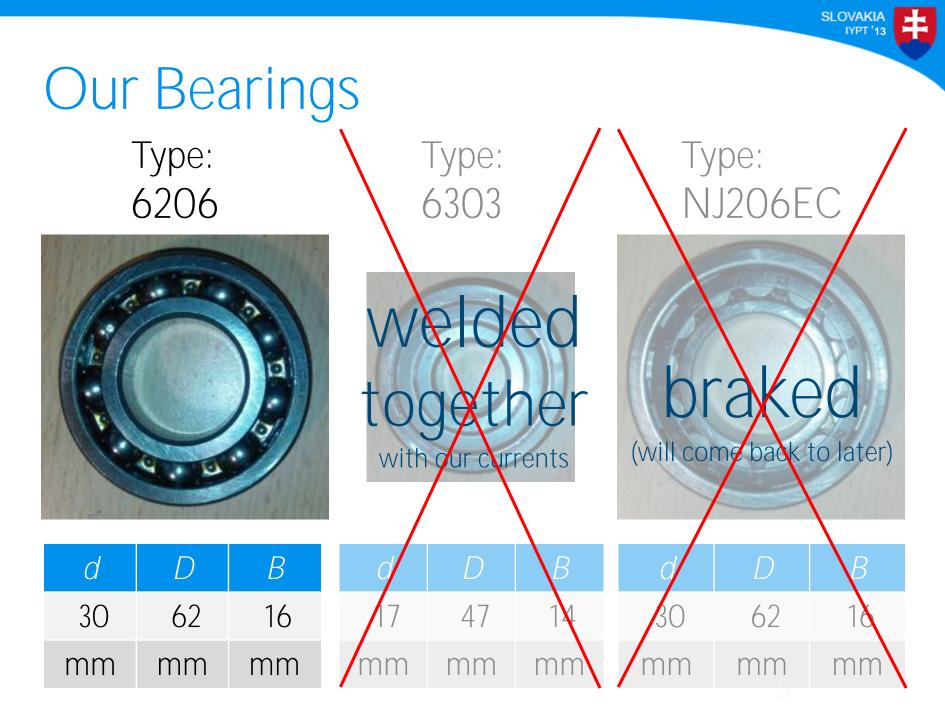
## Determining Wire Temperature

$$R_w = R_0(1 + \alpha \Delta T)$$

$$Q = mc\Delta T = \int P_w(t) dt$$
$$P_w = \frac{U_d^2}{R}$$



$$R_w(t) = R_0 \left( 1 + \alpha \frac{U_d^2 \Delta t}{R_{prev} mc} \right)$$



# Calculation of moment of inertia

- Inner race
  - 1 Main inner race
  - 2 Bearing holder
  - 3 Flyback wheel holder
- 4 Outer race
- 5 Flyback wheel

 $J = 3.2 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^2$ 

$$J_{1,2,3} = \frac{1}{2}mr^2$$

$$J_{4,5} = \frac{1}{2}m(r_2^2 - r_1^2)$$

## Small ball bearings



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