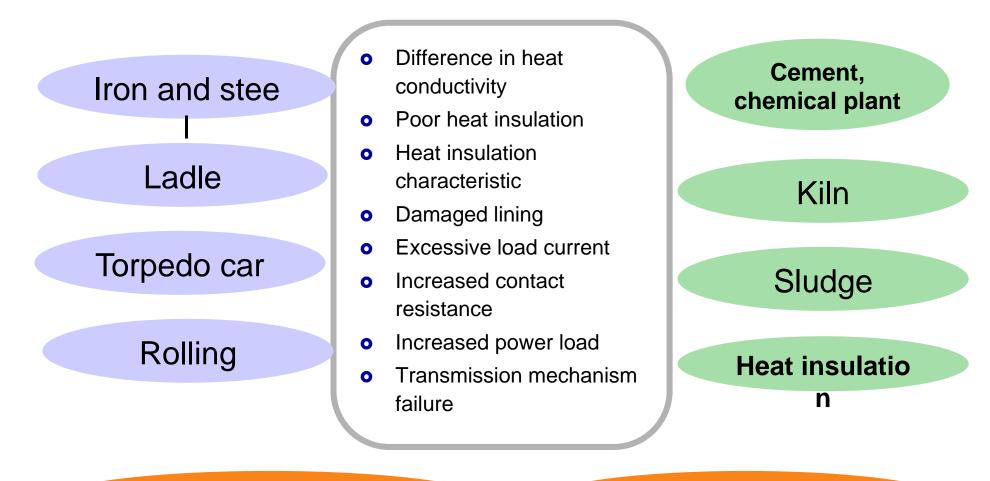


Applications in facility maintenance



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Electric power facility

Motor power facility







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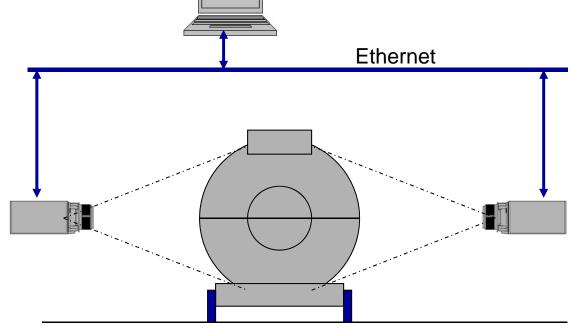
Torpedo car is a container to transport m elted iron (pig iron), and its shell is protect ed by a fire-proof material. Degradation 1 evel of this fire-proof material is inspected to conduct appropriate repair.

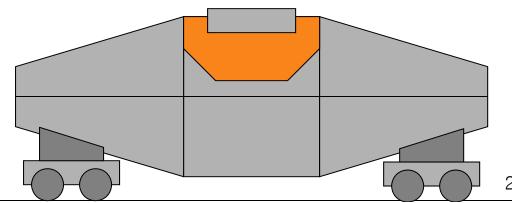
Application example 0

Temperature distribution of the shell surfa ce is measured using a thermography to understand the degradation level.

If abnormality is found from the surface te mperature, detailed inspection of the fireproof material at the suspected area is co nducted.

Because the thermography inspection is conducted during operation, thermal imag es are taken from the left and the right sid e of a torpedo car simultaneously, and th e captured images are transferred to a co mputer via Ethernet. The images are stor ed and history controlled by the computer









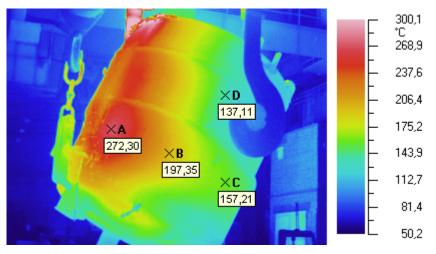


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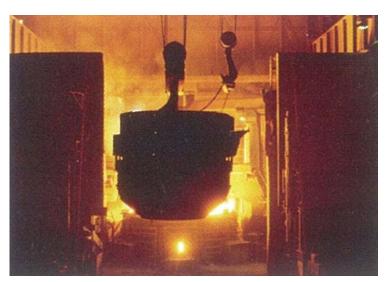
 Ladle is a container for melted iron (pig iron), and its shell is protected by a fire-proof material. Degradation level of this fire-proof material is inspected.

• Application example

- Temperature distribution on the shell surface is captured by a thermography to understand the state of the fire-proof material.
- If abnormality is found from the surface temperature, detailed inspection of the fire-proof material at the suspected area is conducted.



Degradation diagnosis of fire-proof material

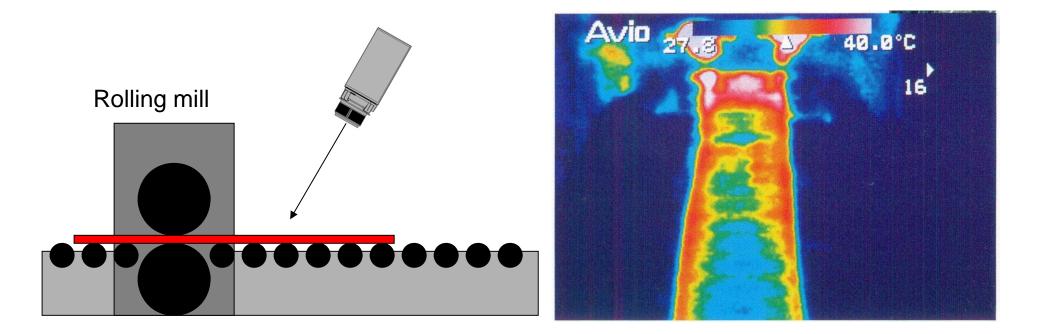




Rolling process



- Background
 - Temperature of rolled plate in the rolling process is controlled.
- Application example
 - Temperature distribution of rolled plate in the rolling process is maintained to be the same in the width direction for stable product quality.
 - Temperature distribution of rolled plates is measured by a thermography, and the result is fed back to the rolling process.





Rotary kiln

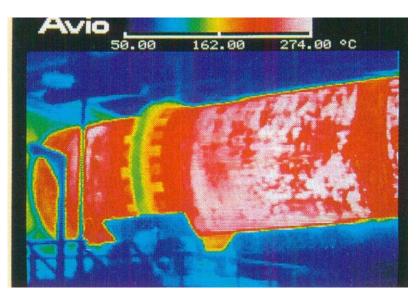


• Background

- Rotary kiln is a machine to bake blended raw material for cement.
- Fire-proof bricks are attached on the inner wall of the rotary kiln to protect the shell, and there is a need to understand the degradation level of the fire-proof bricks in the early stage.

• Application example

- Temperature distribution on the shell surface is measured using a thermography to understand the degradation level of the fire-proof material.
- If abnormality is found from the surface temperature, detailed inspection of the fire-proof material at the suspected area is conducted.









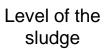
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The amount of sludge in oil tanks is measured.

• Application example

- Because the side wall of an oil tank is very thin comparing to the amount of o il inside and its thermal conductivity is good, the surface temperature of a tan k is almost identical to the temperatur e of oil or sludge inside.
- If there is a temperature difference because of the sludge accumulated in the bottom of a tank, the height of sludge will appear on a thermography, and the amount of sludge can be estimated.

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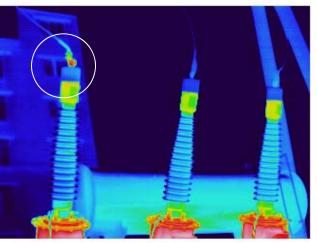
Electric power facility



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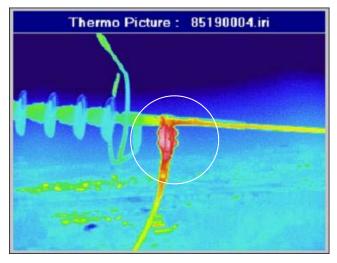
- Inspection of electric power facility which is operational with high voltage and located at a high elevation position is required to be conducted efficiently.
- Application example
 - When electric current flows through a resistor, a heat will be generated.
 - Abnormal heat is an evidence for excessive load-current or
 - excessive resistance.
 - If the load condition can be somehow verified, the reason can be identified.

Abnormal overheating at a transformer facility

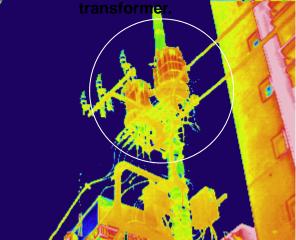




Overheating of a power line clamp/sleeve.

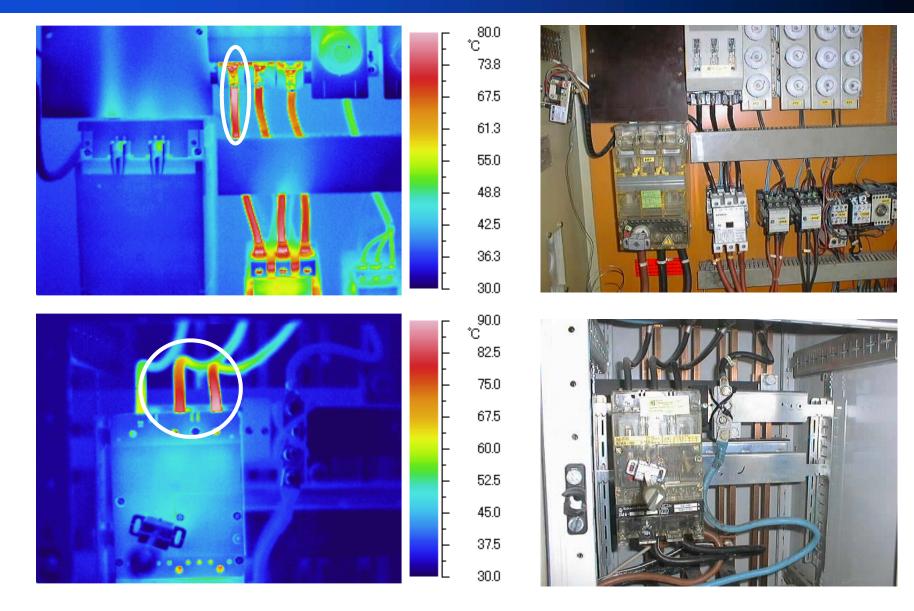


Overheating of distribution line insulator or high voltage









InfraRed Camera Electric power facility (transformer facility) Avio

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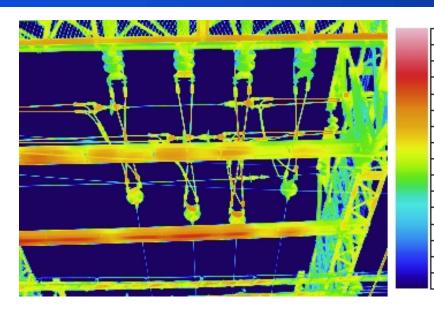
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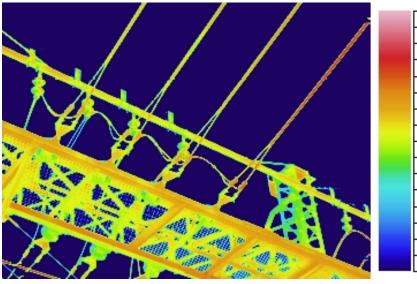
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Motor power facility

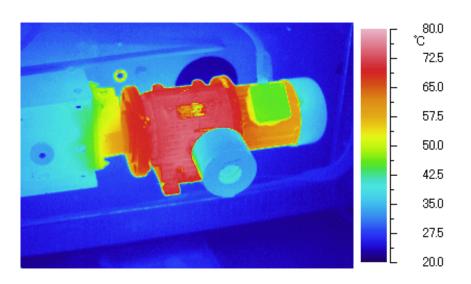


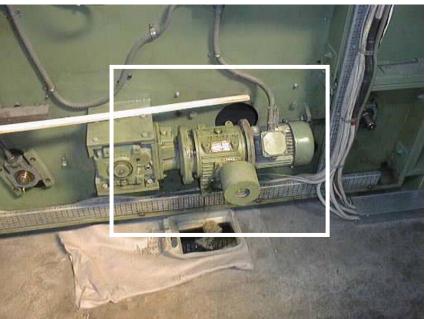
• Background

Understand the state of a motor power facility.

• Application example

- Excessive load to a motor will result in heat generation.
- If there is an overload to the motor, naturally there will be a heat generation. There will also be a heat generation if the re is a defect in the motor or if there is a defect in the transmission mechanism which takes out the load (such as the bearing).
- If the load status can be understood by some means, the reason for the heat generation at the motor can be identified.







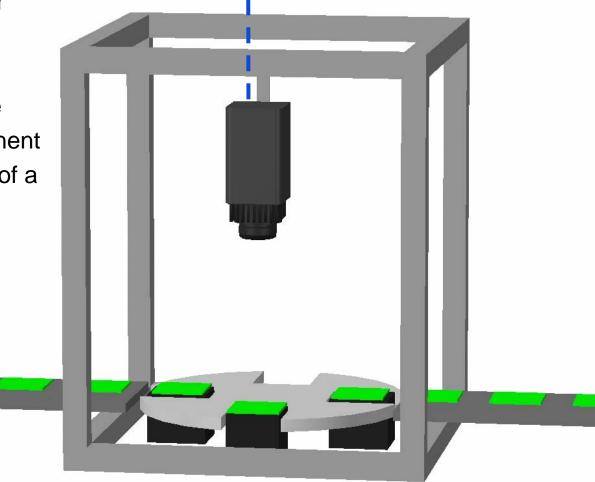
Factory Automation(FA)



• FA

Because it is a thermography for monitoring control of simple configuration by eliminating all unnecessary functions, it can be installed in an electronic component inspection machine or at the tip of a robot arm. RS-232C, IEEE1394, Ethernet, video signal, alarm contact signal, remote control signal

Images can be transferred at the rate of 60 frames per second using IEEE1394.

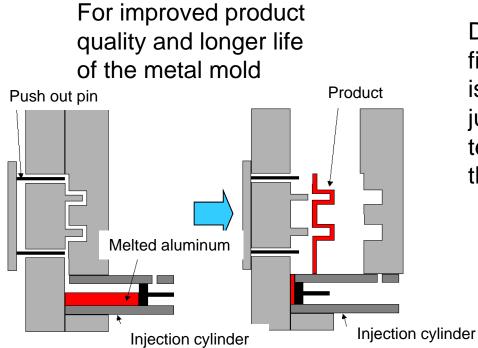




Process Control

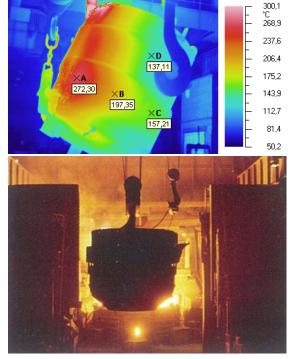


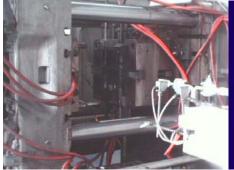
• Temperature control of die casting metal mold



• Monitoring for degradded firep roof material of a ladle

Degradation of fireproof material is monitored and judged by the temperature of the shell.









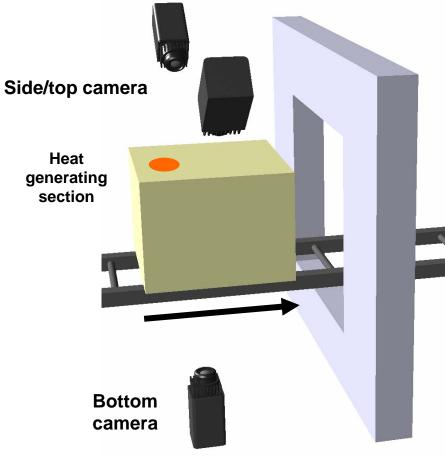


Disaster Monitoring



• Automated warehouse

- Goods are measured by three monitoring control thermographies before entering the automated warehouse.
- •Alarm is sent out when the temperature of the goods exceeds the preset temperature.



• Garbage pit

•Natural fire on garbage is detected, and water is sprinkled.

