

Danfoss Turbocor **Magnet Insertion Process**



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Background

- Pioneer and world leader of the oil-free centrifugal compressor
- World's most efficient commercial refrigerant compressors
- World's first totally oil-free compressor
 - Magnetic bearings result in a levitated rotating shaft





Brief Review

Problem Statement:

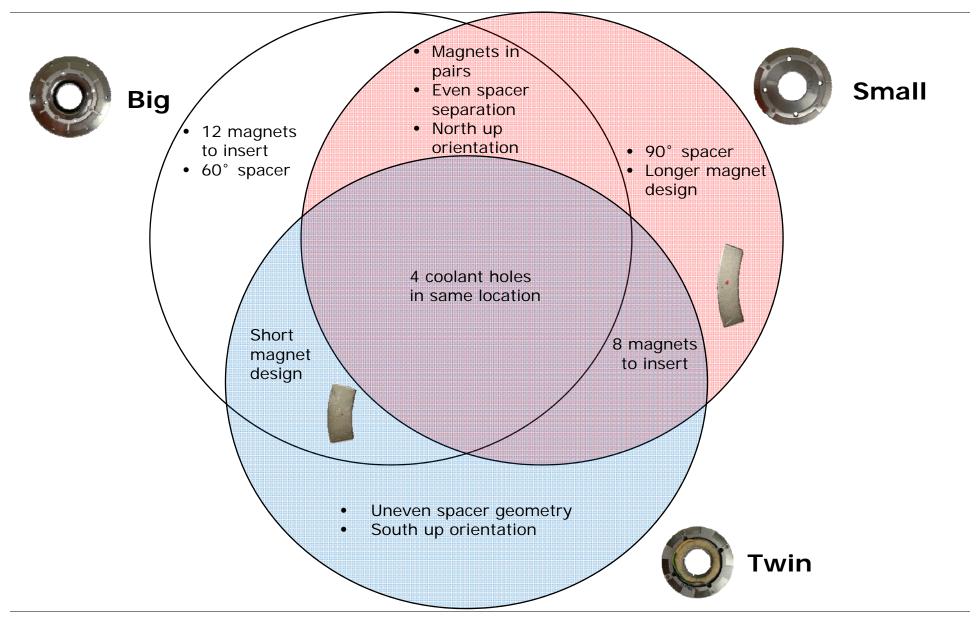
"There is a need for an ergonomic and efficient magnet insertion process for properly placing magnets on axial bearings."

Project Scope:

- Currently a technician inserts the magnets manually
- Issues with quality, operator fatigue, operator downtime
- There is an existing insertion machine, currently not in operation due to many issues

Bearing Compatibility

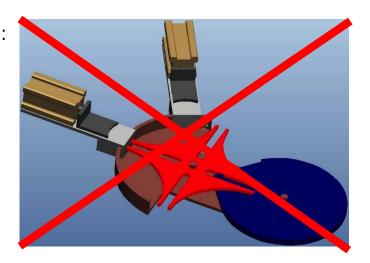






Original Selection and Changes

■ First selected design:



- Turbocor issues with design:
 - Mechanical system cannot accommodate for bearing geometry changes
 - Turbocor is always evaluating design changes to improve compressors
 - Suggested use of a stepper motor



Final Selected Design

- Combination of 2 project paths:
 - 1. Creating a simple insertion mechanism
 - 2. Repair of existing automated magnet insertion machine
- Rotary indexing of bearing accomplished by stepper motor
- Inserting magnets accomplished by pneumatic actuators
- Many details to consider to construct this system
 - Safety
 - System ergonomics
 - Sensors
 - Logic board
 - Pneumatics
 - Material Wear
 - Assembly



Basic Operational Flow



Rotational Indexing Bearing Selection & Magnet Insertion **Placement** Close Door Polarity Check: Finding & **Inserted Magnets Home Position Press Start** Polarity Check: **Completion Light** ON Magnet Stack



Sensors

- 10 sensors:
 - 6 proximity sensors:
 - 3 to detect nests
 - 2 to identify actuator retraction
 - 1 for door open/close status
 - 3 magnetic polarity checker sensors:
 - 2 to detect magnet stack polarity
 - 1 to detect inserted magnet polarity
 - 1 magnetic sensor:
 - Finding home position

Buttons/Switches/LED's

- 2 buttons:
 - Start
 - Emergency shutoff
- Triple throw switch:
 - Magnet insertion
 - Polarity check
 - Fully automated
- 4 LED's
 - Error
 - Complete
 - 2 empty magnet stack indicators



Programmable Logic Controller

- Siemens S7-200 series
 - CPU 224XP
 - 14 digital & 2 analog inputs
 - 10 digital & 1 analog outputs
 - 7 expansion module capability
 - 8 channel analog input module
 - Position module
- Mounted on Din Rail
- Programmed using Ladder Logic







Actuators & Pneumatic Accessories

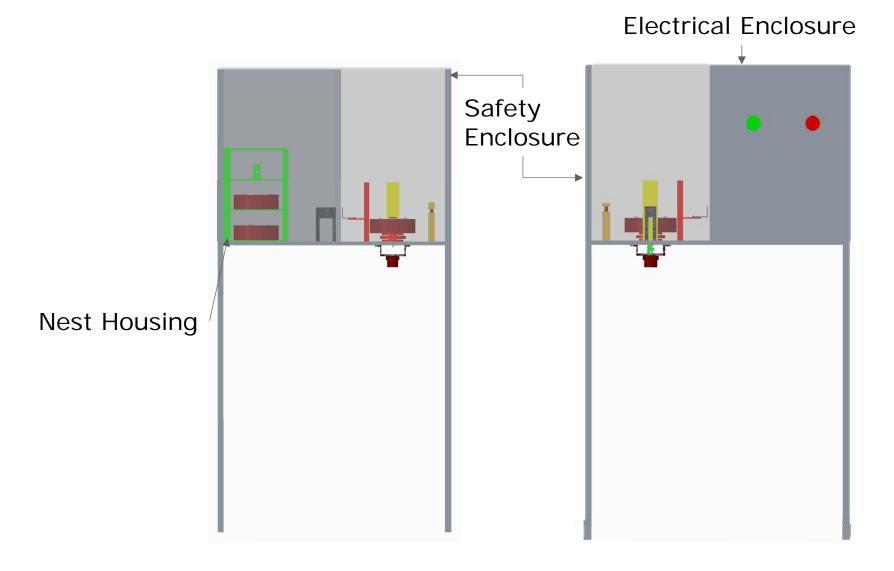
- Nonrotating pancake aluminum tie rod air cylinder
 - 38 pound force @ 100 psi
 - Nonrotating
 - Switch ready
 - 4" stroke length
 - Double action
- Pressure regulator valves
- Air hoses & connections
- Air blow-off nozzles



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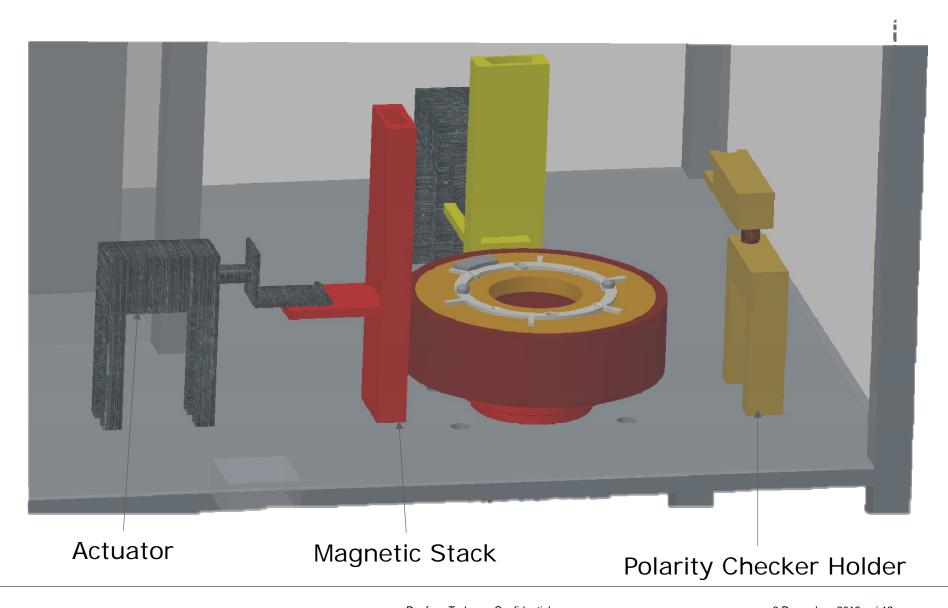
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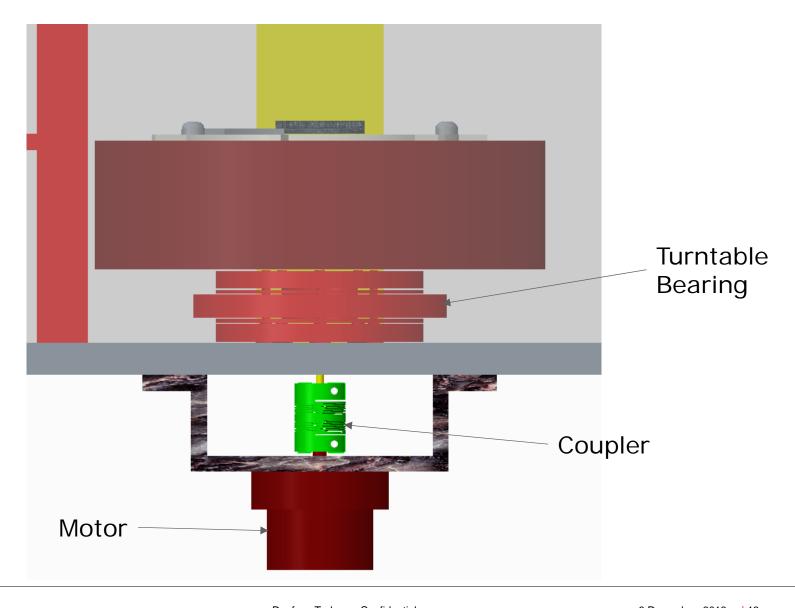
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Assembly







#	Item	Quantity	Price	Vendor
1	Aluminum Baseplate	1	\$335.83	McMaster Carr
2	Plain Bearing Turntable	1	\$215.27	McMaster Carr
3	Flexible Coupling	2	\$71.48	McMaster Carr
4	Nest Material	2	\$398.04	McMaster Carr
5	Power Supply	1	\$63.50	Automation Direct
6	Actuators	2		McMaster Carr
7	Magnet Stack Material	1	\$6.91	McMaster Carr
8	Sensors	12		
	Proximity Sensor	8	\$32.56	Digikey
	Magnetic Sensor	1	\$61.61	Mouser
	Polarity Checker	3	\$300.00	Unknown
9	Wiring/Electronics	1	\$40.00	Unknown
10	Dinrail Mount	2		Grainger
11	80/20	1	\$164.40	8020
12	80/20 Acrylic	2	\$300.00	8020

	In House			
13	Machining Hours	16	\$640.00	Turbocor
14	Motor	1	\$30.00	Turbocor
15	Pneumatic Equipment	1	\$50.00	Turbocor
16	Mounting	1	\$5.00	Turbocor
	Electrical Cabinet			
17	Housing	1	\$60.00	Turbocor

Total	\$2,968.20
Actual Total	\$2,183.20

Bill of Materials, Cost and Procurement

- Interim estimate of cost of full insertion machine
- Some costs are included that are covered by Turbocor
- This benefit reduces the overall cost
- Budget: \$2000
- Bottom line cost could reduce:
 - Shipping discounts on bulk orders,
 - Turbocor discounts with suppliers

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Future Work

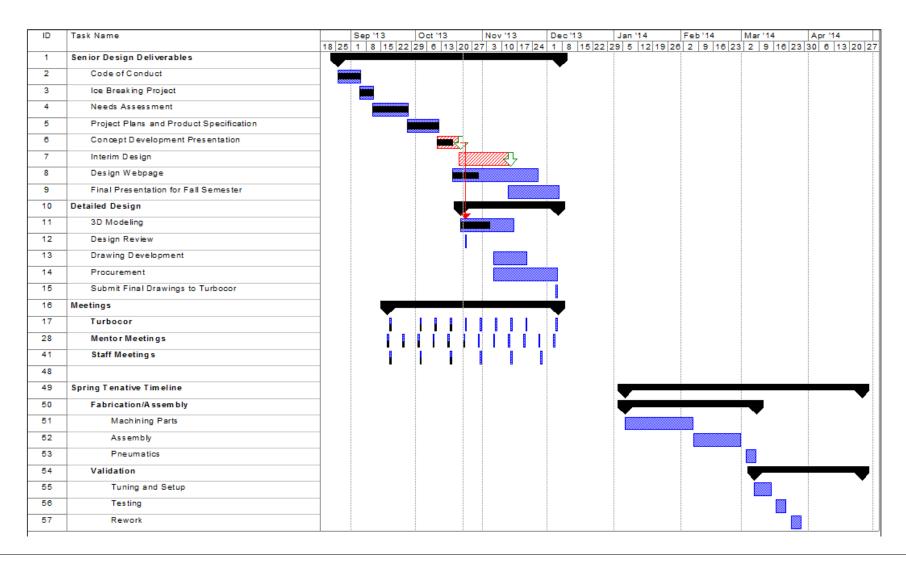
- Purchase Materials & Parts
 - Cast Aluminum
 - Baseplate
 - Other machined parts
 - Sensors
 - Buttons
 - Bearing
 - Logic controller
 - Actuators
 - Power supply
 - Electronic & Pneumatic connections
 - 80/20
 - Polycarbonate
- Finalize CAD drawings







Gantt Chart





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