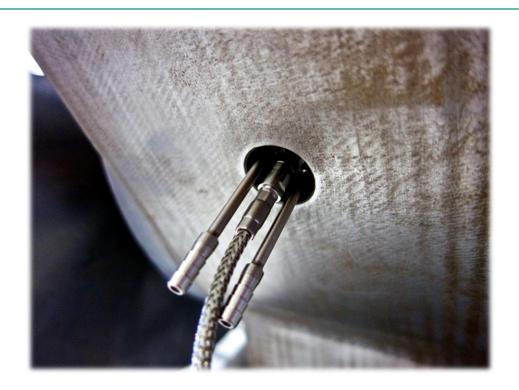
# **Pressure Indication of Expansion Devices**

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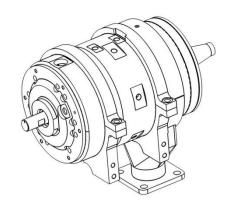
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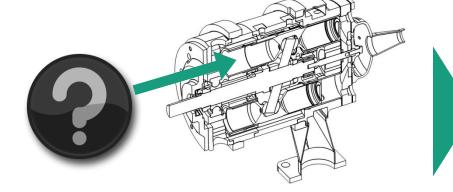
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#### **Motivation**





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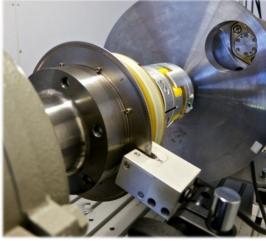


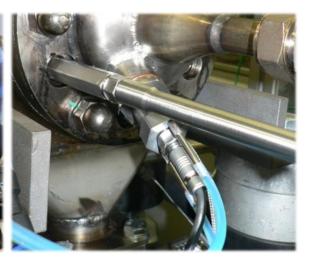
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- Gain knowledge of the expansion process
- Surveillance and analysis of engine valve timing and pipe dimensioning

### **Components required for indicating**







Pressure transducer

Rotation-angle measurement

**TDC-Determination** 

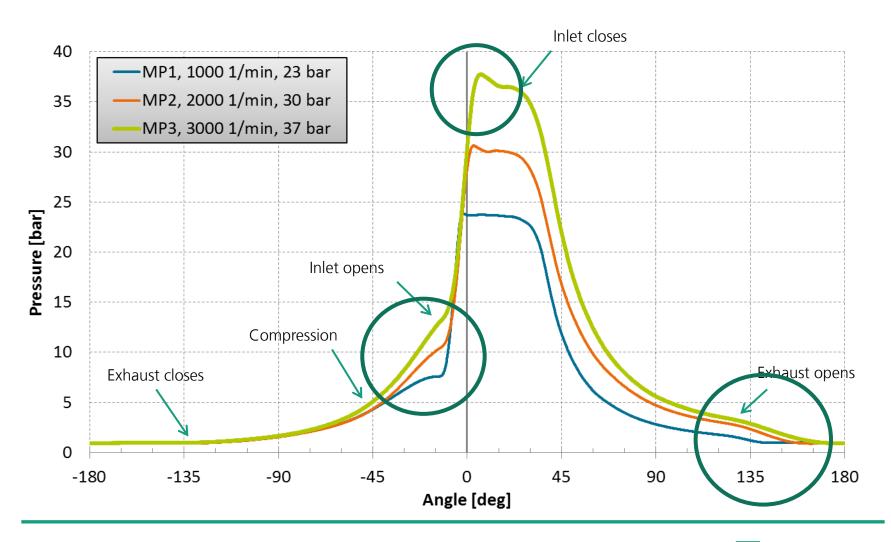
#### **Axial-piston expander**

- Measurement technology for indicating:
  - Piezoelectric pressure transducers
  - Piezoresistive pressure transducers
  - TDC-Sensor (capacitive)
  - Rotation-angle sensor
- Positioning of the Indicating-bores



#### **Axial-piston expander**

#### p,RA-diagram



# **Axial-piston expander**

Measuring point	3			
n <sub>Exp</sub>	3000			
$P_{Eff}$	4,6 kW			
$p_{Exp,in}$	37,2 bar	Fluid properties database	Measuring point	3
$T_{Exp,in}$	319,1 °C		$P_{is}$	18,4 kW
$p_{Exp,ex}$	1 bar	Mass flow WF		

### **Rotary-piston expander**

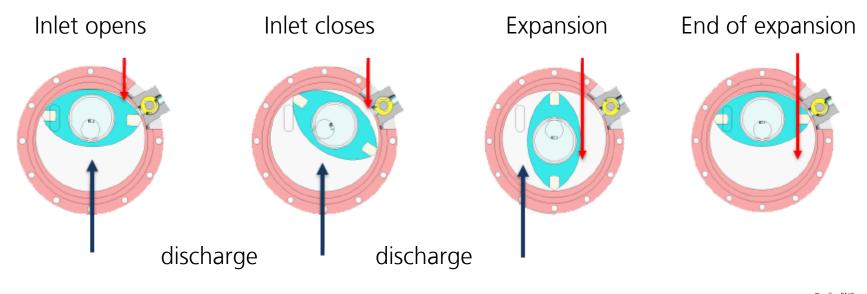
- Measurement technology for indicating:
  - Piezoelectric sensors
  - Piezoresistive sensors
  - Rotation-angle sensors
- Positioning of indicating-bores





#### **Rotary-piston expander**

#### Function principle



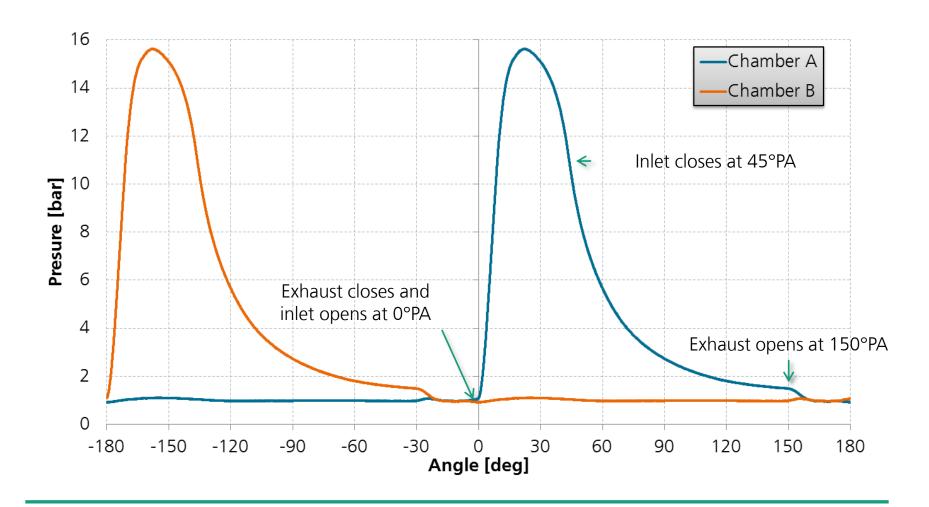
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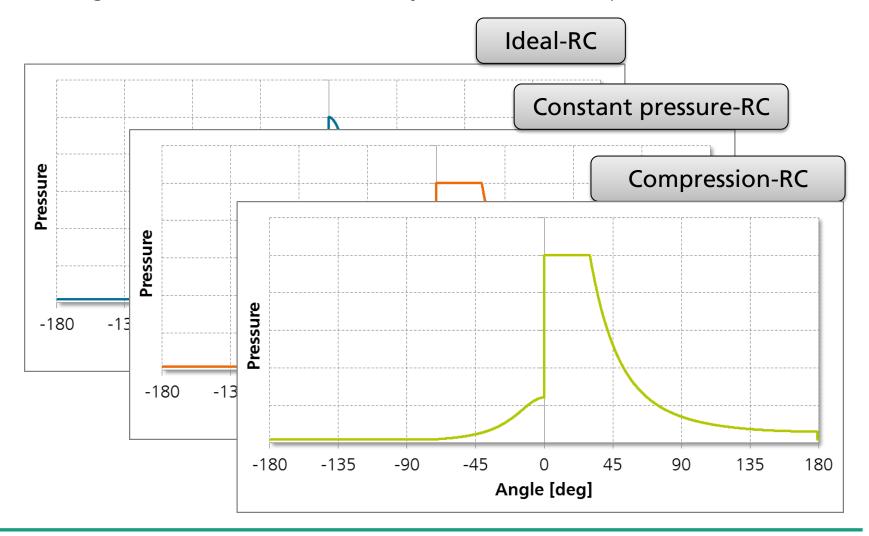
### **Rotary-piston expander**

### p,PA-diagram



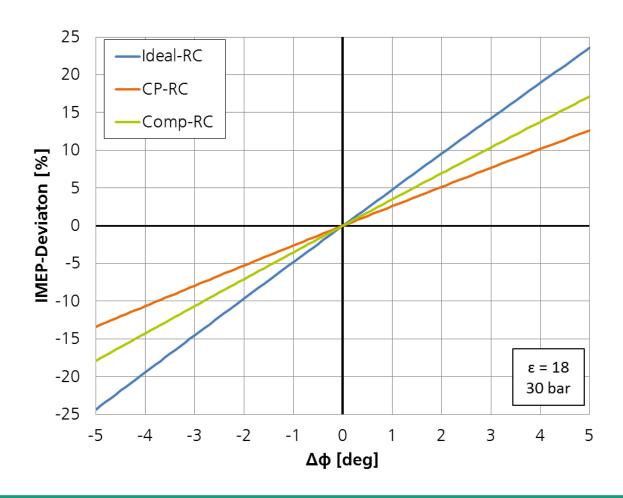
#### **Errors affecting indicating measurements**

TDC-alignment; Ideal reference cycles (RC) for expanders



#### **TDC-Alignment**

Error in IMEP-Calculation in consequence of TDC-offset



#### **Conclusion**

- Pressure indicating is a useful tool to evaluate the performance of expanders
- Create extended knowledge about internal processes of the expander
- TDC-Determination is the most common reason for errors affecting the measurement-accuracy



Pressure indicating is an essential tool in the research and development of expansion devices

## Thank you for your attention!

