

# Harmonics Assessment in Real Time Printing Industry

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**Abstract**— The harmonics assessment in every industry is necessary for the reliability and quality of the product. In this paper the harmonic measurement in a printing industry, which is done by the instrument in accordance with IEC 61000-4-7 is presented. The harmonics level in various circuit conditions considered and explained in this paper. The permitted level of which are verified with IEEE 519 - 1992 and the richness of the harmonics are highlighted. The Total Harmonics Distortion and Individual Harmonics Distortion are measured at specified locations in the consumer distribution network with four different circuit conditions. The power factor variation due to change in the circuits also highlighted in this paper. This paper gives wide scope for readers to understand the typicality of the harmonics pattern and it's interaction with consumer distribution network.

**Index Terms**— Total Harmonics Distortion, Individual Harmonics Distortion, Power Factor, Harmonic Analysis, Printing Industry

## I. INTRODUCTION

The printing industry has seasonal variations in energy consumption and different harmonics characteristics of load demanded by the processes. It includes exclusive processes such as offset printing, glueing, folding, lamination, pinning and packing etc.,. The utility is levying charges for low power factor compensation and demand charges for exceeding permitted demand. Hence the industry needs to monitor the average power factor and to maintain 0.98 by power factor controllers. Interaction of these capacitors with harmonics at PCC are also presented in this paper, furthermore the utility is notified of the harmonics distortion with variation of the load at the MV bus if it exceeds the limit imposed. The industry uses harmonic filters to bring down the level of distortion to that recommended by the utility. The interaction of the filter at various operating conditions of the plant is observed. This paper helps the user find the Total Harmonics Distortion level, Individual Harmonics Distortion at maximum THD and the pattern of harmonics corresponding

to the load, furthermore, it also helps validate the THD corresponding to loading with respect to IEEE 519 – 1992.

## II. POWER SYSTEM

### A. Description of Power System

The Industry's outdoor sub-station has 11 kV power supply from a utility grid. An outdoor transformer of 11 kV / 433 V, 500 kVA transformer connected to a MV indoor Sub-station where a number of feeders are connected to various loads such as composite loads harmonics loads, capacitor loads and active filters as shown in Fig.1, 100 kVAR capacitors are used to improve power factor. Composite loads of 320 kW are used for

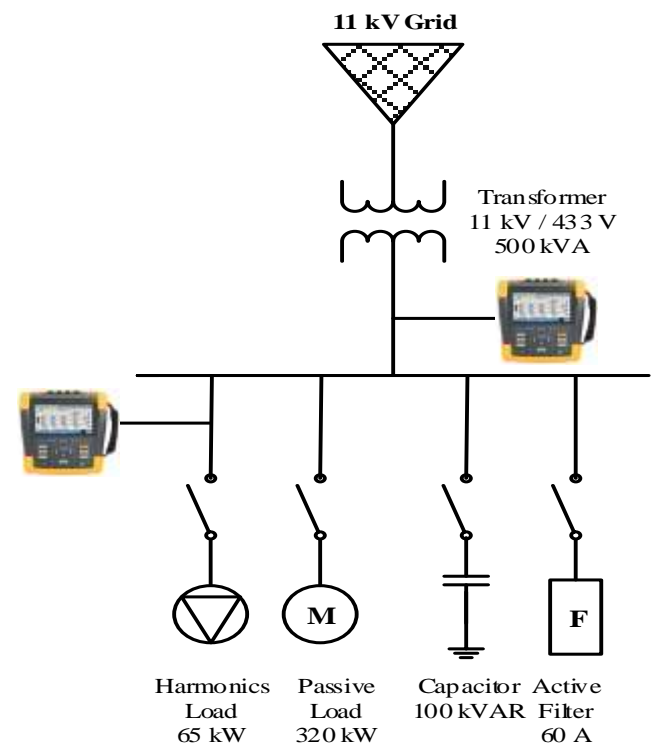


Fig.1 Single Line Diagram

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various machines and static loads. Harmonics load of 65 kW is used for offset printing and other allied processes. An active filter, rated 65 A is used for filtering harmonics.

*B. Description of circuit Conditions*

Harmonic measurement was done using a Fluke 434 Series 2 Power Quality and Energy Analyser. The harmonic measurement was done at two points in the industry. The meter was connected in two different locations (i.e. M.V. side of substation and individual harmonics loads) The data logged are V (rms), I (rms), THD, IHD, Power Factor, and % Unbalance. The measurement is done in all four test conditions (as in Table.1) in respective interval of measurement. The measurement is taken for every 10 seconds.

**Table.1 Circuit condition**

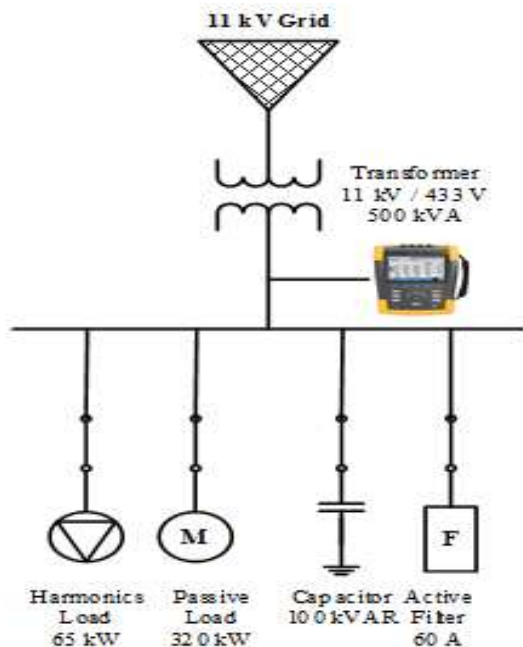
Circuit Condition	100 Kvar Capacitor	60 A Harmonics Filter
1	ON	ON
2	OFF	ON
3	ON	OFF
4	OFF	OFF

The harmonics measurements are calculated from 10/12 cycles harmonic group measurements on Voltage and Amps according to IEC 61000-4-7.

The voltage unbalance is evaluated using the method of symmetrical components according to IEC 61000-4-30

**III HARMONICS ASSESSMENT IN CIRCUITS**

*Circuit Condition: 1*



**Fig.2 Single Line Diagram ( Circuit Condition -1)**

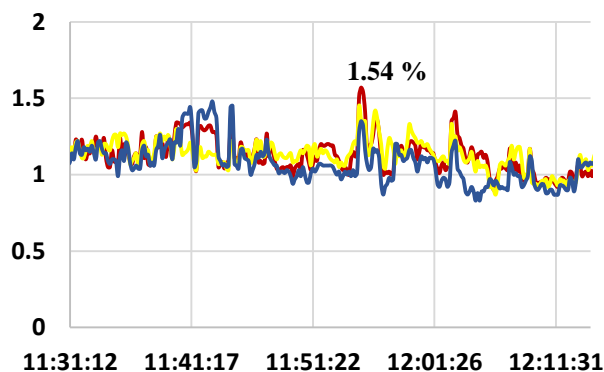
The measurements are taken at the LV side of transformer. All the loads which are ON are considered as condition – 1. The measurements on power factor, THD for current and voltage and IHD for the corresponding THD are taken. The waveform for voltage and current are also shown in Fig. 6.

The phase colours used are Red, Yellow and Blue for the reference. In spectrum plot, the 100 % fundamental is removed for clarity of displaying other individual harmonics. The harmonics order 0 is considered as DC quantity in harmonics spectrum format.

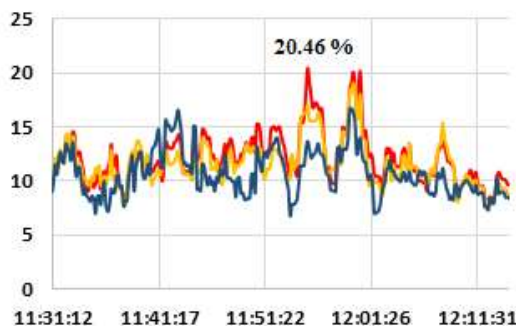


**Fig 3. Power factor trend in Circuit - 1**

The average power factor varies between 0.83 and 0.99 due to power factor controller. The utility is recording the average power factor for the assessment period of one month. The average power factor over a period may get maintained if the correction is appropriate.



**Fig 4. Voltage THD trend in circuit - 1**



**Fig 5. Current THD trend in circuit - 1**

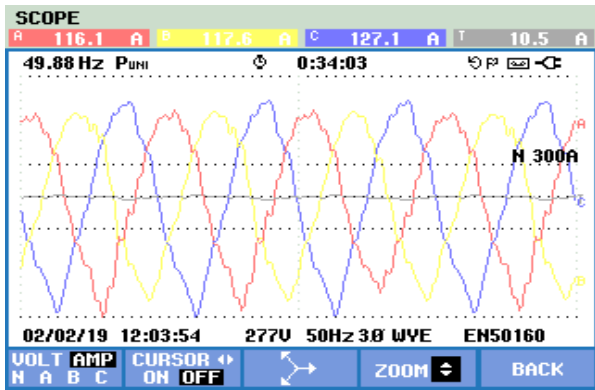


Fig 6. Three-phase Current waveforms in circuit - 1

The distorted current waveforms in the three-phases are obtained as above for the THD of 20.46 % ( R – Phase ). The voltage THD recorded as low as 1.54 %. The R – phase predominantly has THD in both voltage and current harmonics as shown in Fig. 4 & 5. The individual harmonics distortion with respect to the corresponding occurrence of THD for voltage current are shown below. The current THD 20.46 % is observed high and needs to be validated with IEEE 519-1992.

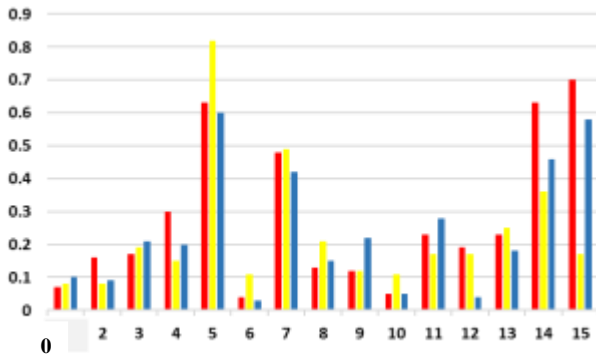


Fig 7. Voltage harmonics spectrum for circuit - 1

The voltage harmonics order of 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 14 and 15 predominantly above 0.1 % high comparing other harmonics.

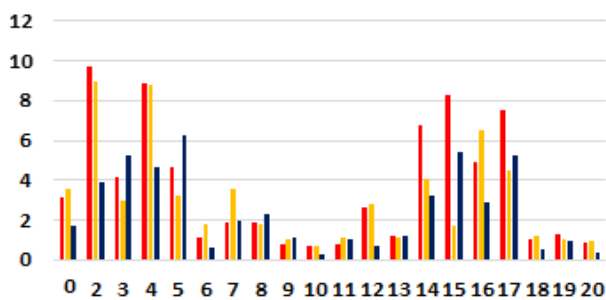


Fig 8. Current harmonics spectrum for circuit - 1

The current harmonics order of 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 14, 15, 16, 17 predominantly above 4 % high comparing other harmonics.

Circuit Condition: 2

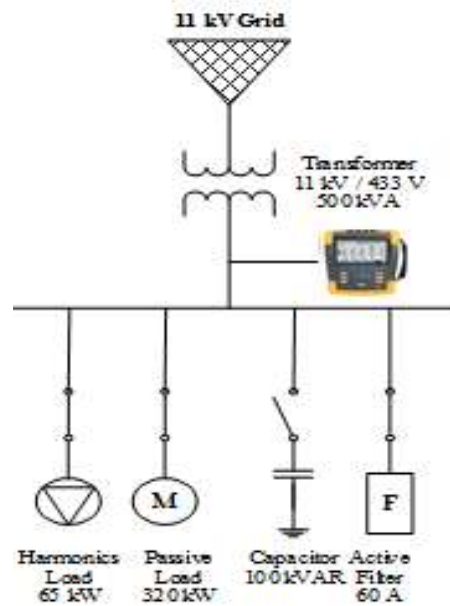


Fig.9 Single Line Diagram ( Circuit Condition -2)

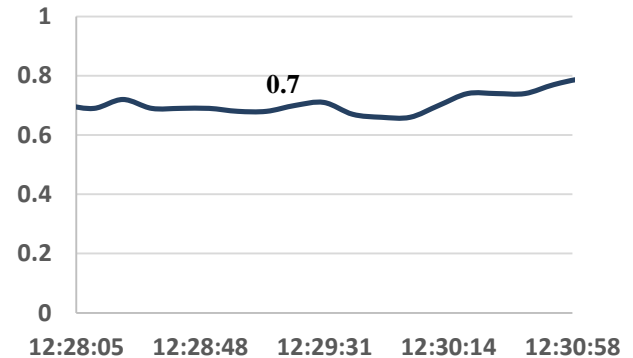


Fig 10. Power factor trend in circuit - 1

The power factor is reduced from 0.99 in circuit – 1 to 0.8

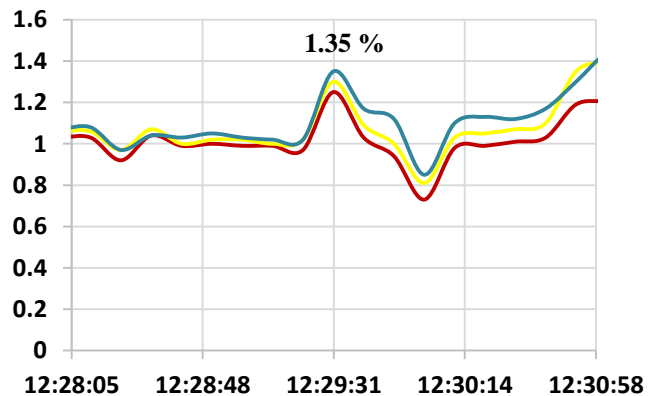


Fig 11. Voltage THD trend in circuit – 2

Circuit Condition: 3

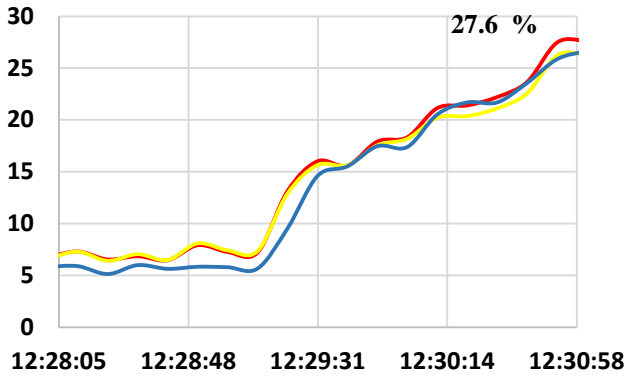


Fig 12. Current THD trend in circuit - 2

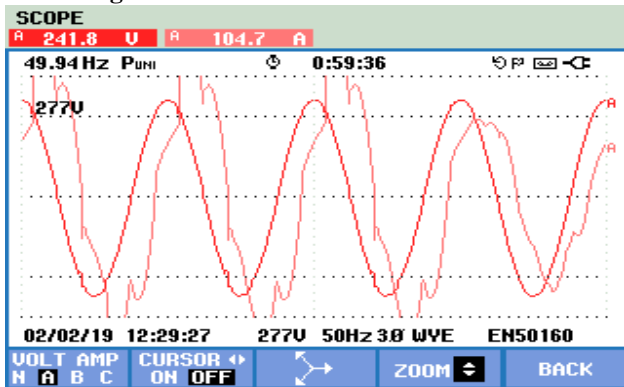


Fig 13. Voltage and Current waveform in circuit - 2

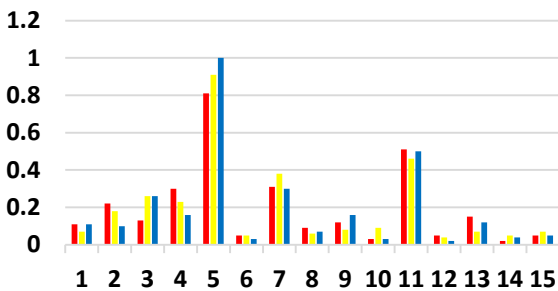


Fig 14. Voltage harmonics spectrum in circuit - 2

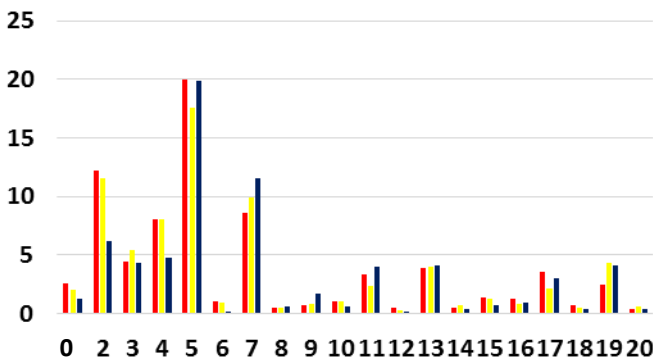


Fig 15. Current harmonics spectrum in circuit - 2

The current THD is increased from 20.46 % in circuit -1 to 27.6 %. The voltage THD is decreased closely from 1.54 % to 1.35 %. The individual harmonics order is following the same in circuit -1. The harmonics order predominantly present in current are 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 11 and 13 and above 4 %.

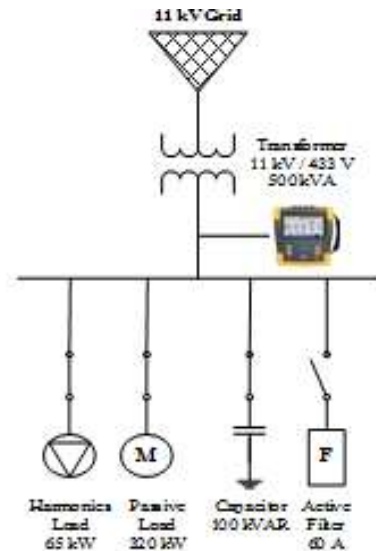


Fig 16. Single Line Diagram for circuit - 3

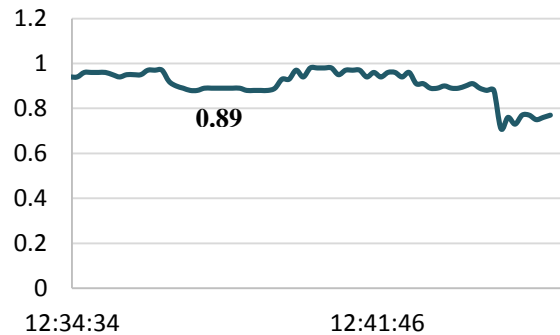


Fig 17. Power factor trend in circuit - 3

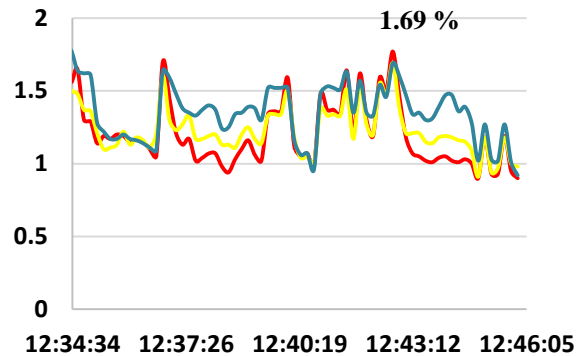


Fig 18. Voltage THD trend in circuit - 3

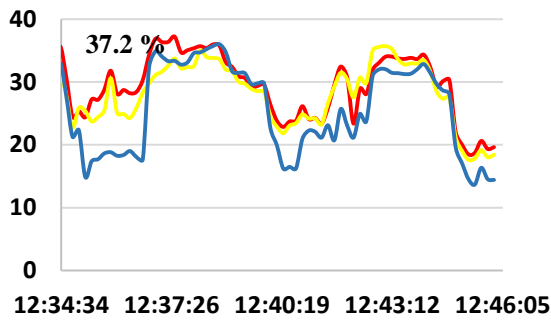


Fig 19. Current THD trend in circuit - 3

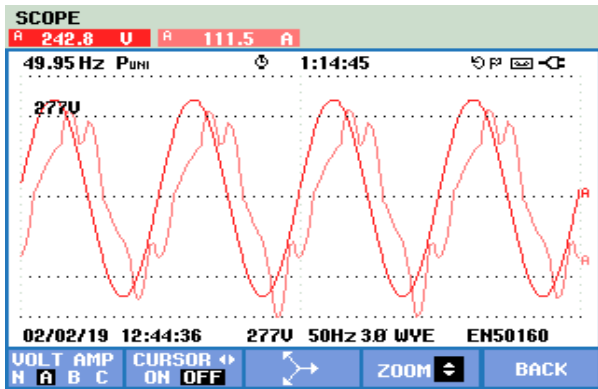


Fig 20. Voltage and Current waveform in circuit - 3

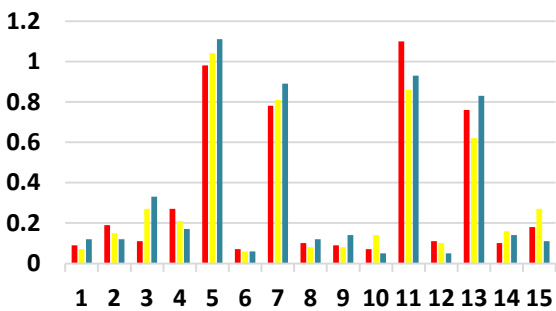


Fig 21. Voltage harmonics spectrum in circuit - 3

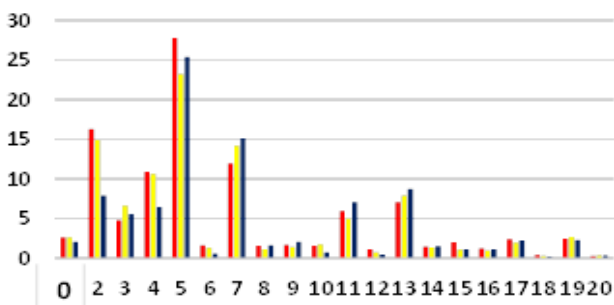


Fig 22. Current harmonics spectrum in circuit - 3

The voltage THD and current THD are increased to 1.69 % and 37.2 % due to filter is OFF. The current waveform is highly distorted. The harmonics orders are 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 11, 13 are above 5 %.

Circuit Condition:4

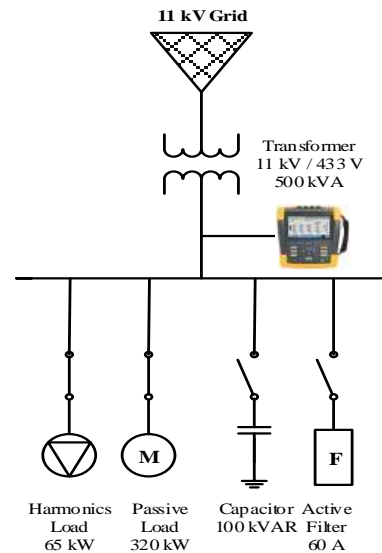


Fig 23. Single Line Diagram for circuit - 4

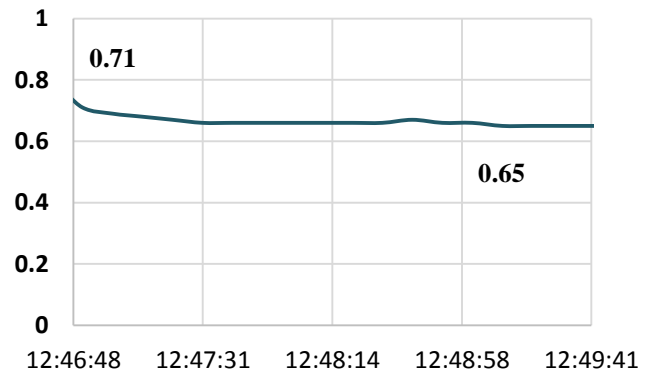


Fig 24. Power factor trend in circuit - 4

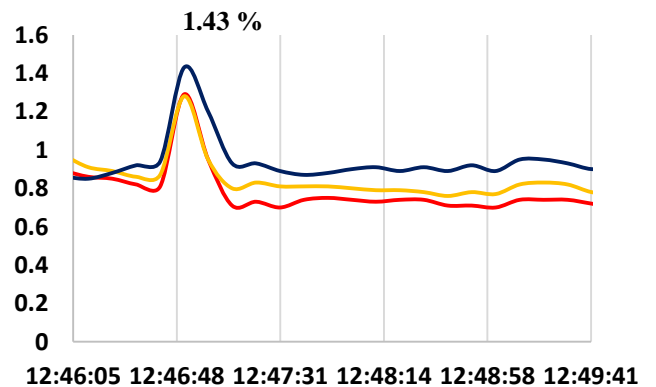


Fig 25. Voltage THD trend in circuit - 4

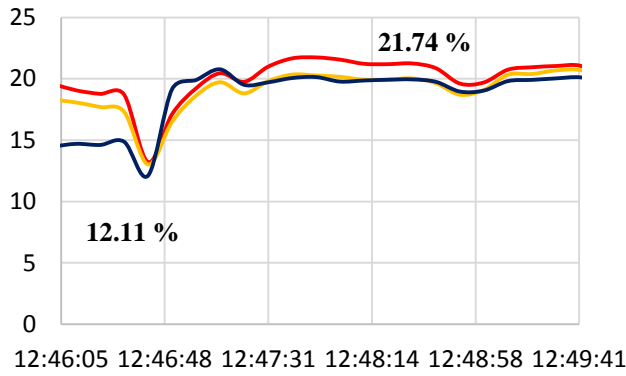


Fig 26. Current THD trend in circuit - 4

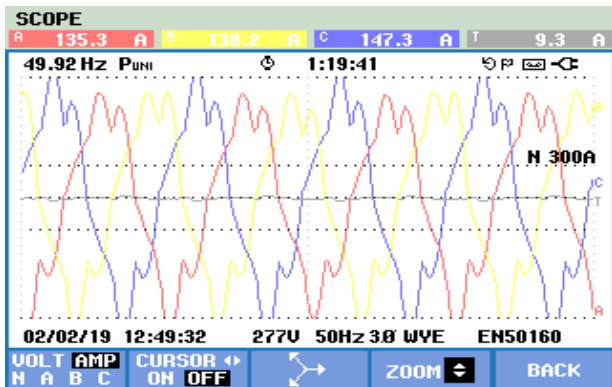


Fig 27. Three-phase current wavefrom in circuit - 4

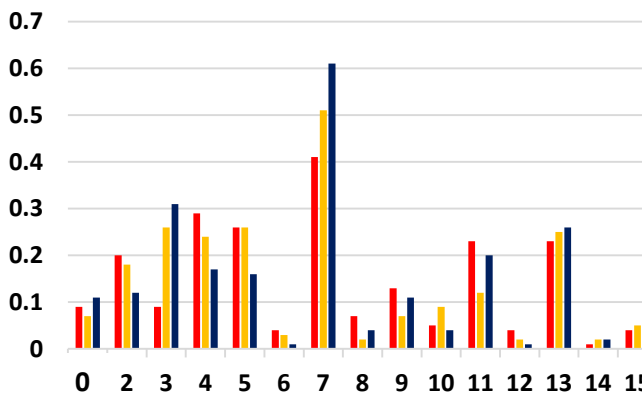


Fig 28. Voltage spectrum in circuit - 4

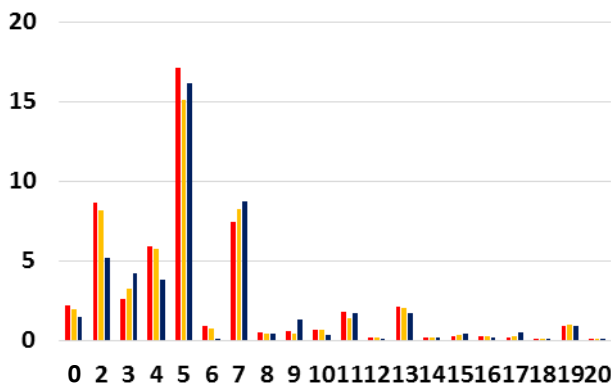


Fig 29. Current spectrum in circuit - 4

Fig.23 shows the power factor is highly fluctuating between 0.63 and 0.75 due to both the capacitor and filter being OFF. From Fig 24 & 25, the voltage THD is similar to the circuit where capacitor OFF was observed. And the current THD is varying between 20.12 % and 5.32 % as the active filter and capacitor are both OFF. The individual harmonics orders found to be 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 are above 4 % from Fig 28. Fig. 26 shows that the three-phase current waveforms are highly distorted as the active filter is OFF.

*Unbalanced current*

The Unbalanced analysis was done and the results are displayed.

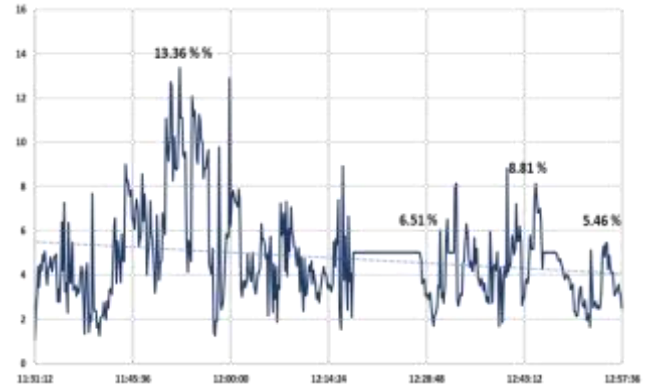


Fig 30. Unbalanced Current at four circuit conditions

The amount of unbalance current under normal circuit condition -4 is 10.42 %. This is due to the number of single phase loads connected into the circuit at the moment. At circuit condition - 3 the harmonics filter reduce the unbalance by 7 % as a result of dynamic compensation of reactive power. The circuit condition - 2 increased due to capacitors aggravating the unbalance by charging current. The circuit condition - 1 is 4.74 % when the filter and capacitors are OFF.

**IV HARMONICS LOAD**

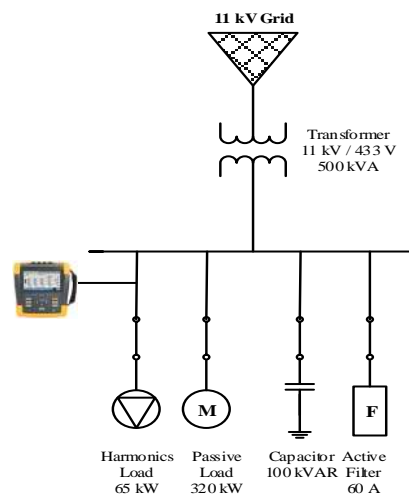


Fig 31. Harmonic Load Measurement

Linomatic NOVA RB104



Fig 32. Linomatic RB104 installed at the industry

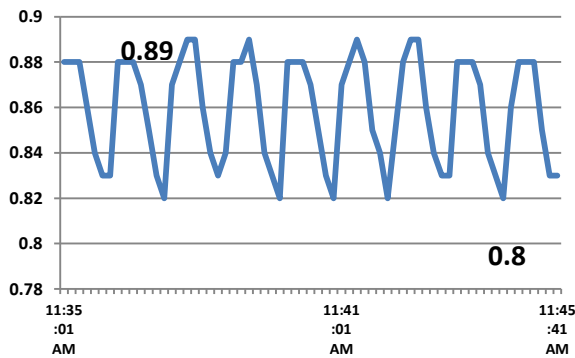


Fig 33. Power Factor Trend

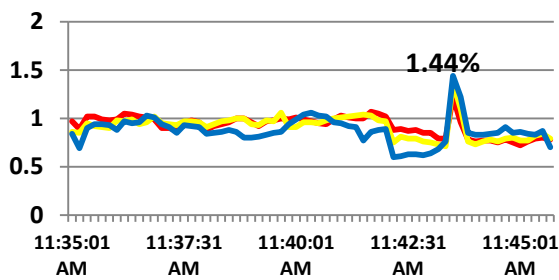


Fig 34. Voltage THD Trend

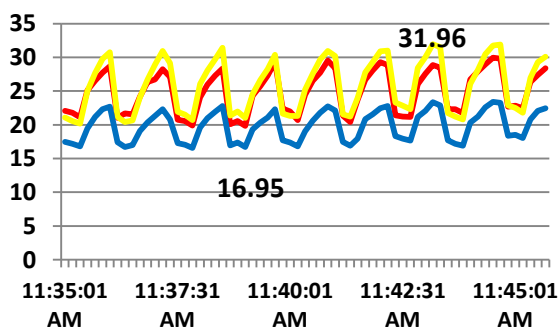


Fig 35. Current THD Trend

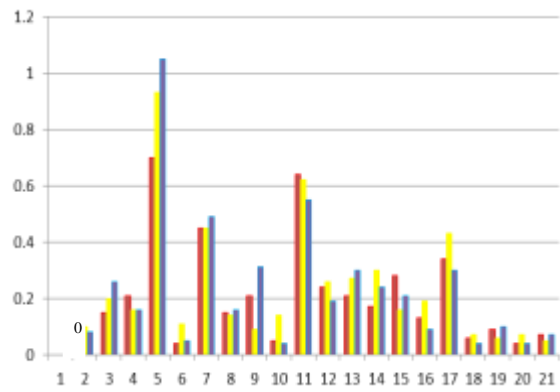


Fig 36. Voltage Harmonics Spectrum

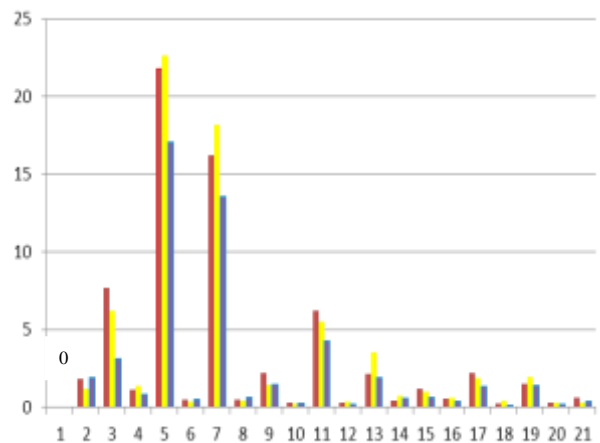


Fig 37. Current Harmonics Spectrum

The power factor varies at loading from 0.82 to 0.89. The Voltage THD and Current THD are recorded as 1.44% and 31.96% respectively. The predominant Harmonic Orders are found to be 3,5,7,9,11,13.

Heidelberg SM74



Fig 38. Heidelberg SM74 installed at the industry

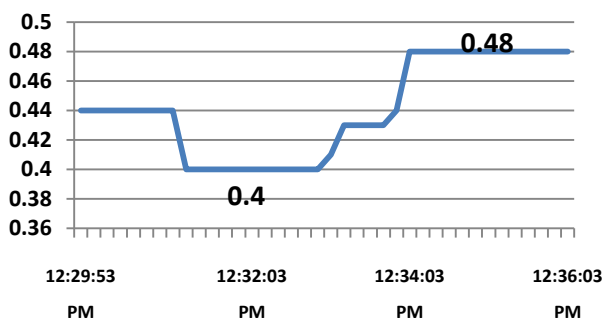


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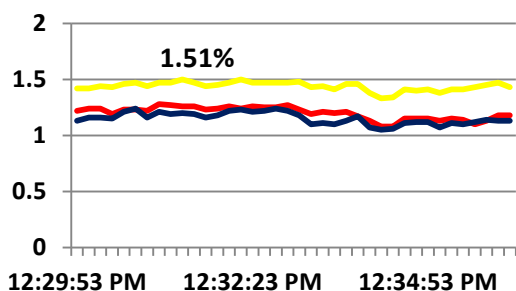


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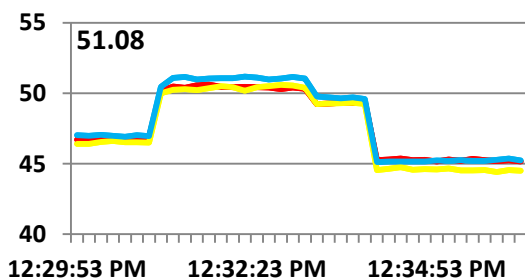


Fig 41. Current THD Trend

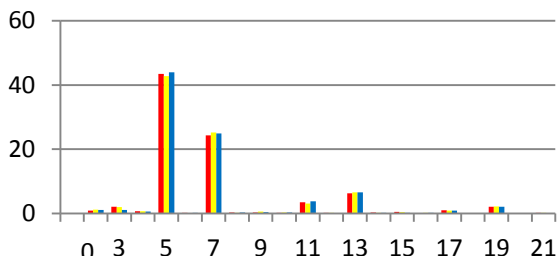


Fig 42. Current Harmonics Spectrum

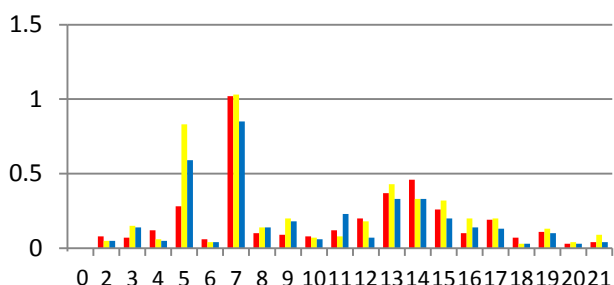


Fig 43. Voltage Harmonics Spectrum

The power factor varies at loading from 0.4 to 0.48. The Voltage THD and Current THD are recorded as 1.51% and 51.08% respectively. The predominant Harmonic Orders are found to be 3,5,7,9,11,13.

V. VERIFICATION OF IEEE 519-1992 & RESULTS

$I_{sc}$  Calculation was done based on the maximum demand reached in the industry for the past one year as 132 KVA.

$I_L$  is noted from the current reading at the time of circuit condition 1 as 127 A.

The corresponding  $I_{sc}/I_L$  is referred in IEEE-519-1992 [5] table for current distortion limits. This is referred in the first row of the table for TDD (Total Demand Distortion, which is defined by the ratio of total harmonic distortion current and the fundamental harmonic current [4]) as 5%. Because of the difference between  $I_1$  and  $I_L$ , it is determined as 7.5% as a THD limit with respect to the standard. The richness of the current harmonics noticed as 20.46 % in circuit condition - 1 which is more than the the permitted level. The voltage harmonics are well within the limit.

Maximum Harmonic Current Distortion in Percent of $I_L$						
Individual Harmonic Order (Odd Harmonics)						
$I_{sc}/I_L$	<11	11< $i$ <17	17< $i$ <23	23< $i$ <35	35< $i$	TDD
<20*	4.0	2.0	1.5	0.6	0.3	5.0
20<50	7.0	3.5	2.5	1.0	0.5	8.0
50<100	10.0	4.5	4.0	1.5	0.7	12.0
100<1000	12.0	5.5	5.0	2.0	1.0	15.0
>1000	15.0	7.0	6.0	2.5	1.4	20.0

Even harmonics are limited to 25% of the odd harmonic limits above.  
 Current distortions that result in a dc offset, e.g. half-wave converters, are not allowed.  
 \* All power generation equipment is limited to these values of current distortion, regardless of actual  $I_{sc}/I_L$ .

Where  
 $I_{sc}$  = maximum short-circuit current at PCC.  
 $I_L$  = maximum demand load current (fundamental frequency component) at PCC.  
 TDD = Total demand distortion (RSS), harmonic current distortion in % of maximum demand load current (15 or 30 min demand).  
 PCC = Point of common coupling.

Table .2 IEEE-519-1992 for current harmonics

VI. CONCLUSION

The Harmonic characteristics of the specific loads used in the printing industry are studied. They are compared with the harmonic readings taken at LV side of the transformer. It is found to be having the same Harmonic Orders (3,5,7,9,11,13). The Harmonic patterns are verified with LV side measurement and found to be equivalent. The capacitors used for improving Power Factor are intensively aggravating the individual harmonics. The rating of active filter installed is inadequate to compensate for the varying harmonic loads. The 2<sup>nd</sup> order harmonics recorded, is due to the partial loading of transformer resulting in an increase in reactive current. This increase also needs to be compensated by the suitable selection of harmonics to be eliminated by the active filter.

This paper will present an idea about the unique harmonic pattern of large capacity offset machines used in printing industry and also these datas will help to perform harmonic analysis with respect to source impedance.





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