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Digital Storage Oscilloscope Tools

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- Common "store bought" tools
 - Amp clamp
 - Inductive pick-ups (secondary ignition)
 - Pressure transducer
 - PV350
 - WPS
 - Pulse sensor
 - First look

- Shop made tools
 - Pressure transducers
 - Amazon/ebay
 - Transmissions on hand
 - Map sensor
 - FTP sensor
 - Pulse sensor
 - Piezo microphone/buzzer
 - Noise/Vibration
 - Chassis Ear
 - Ardurino
 - Knock sensor
 - Speed sensor/trigger
 - Temp Sensor
 - NTC

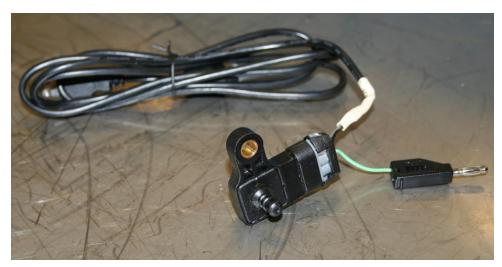
Pressure Transducers

- Store Bought
 - PV350 \$400
 - WPS \$780 \$1500
- Shop made
 - Search Amazon/Ebay for "500 psi transducer"
 - \$16 will get you a sensor and pigtail
 - These will test vac and pressure
- Transmissions on hand
 - 545rfe transmissions have a 500psi transducer for line pressure
- MAP sensor
- FTP sensor









Amazon transducer

- Wire to USB cable
- Use quick disconnect fittings
- Use ¼" HDPE Tubing (300psi)



Amazon transducer

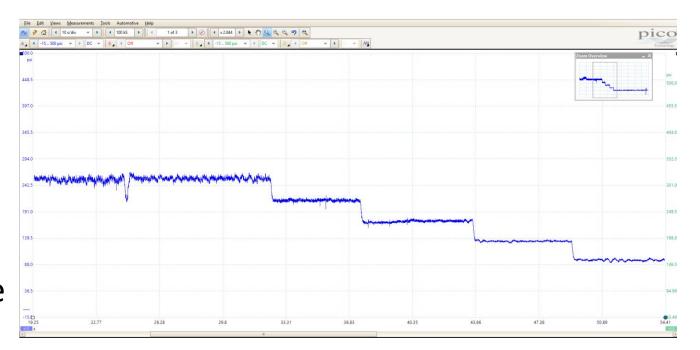
$$0v = 30$$
 in Hg

$$.5v = 0 psi$$

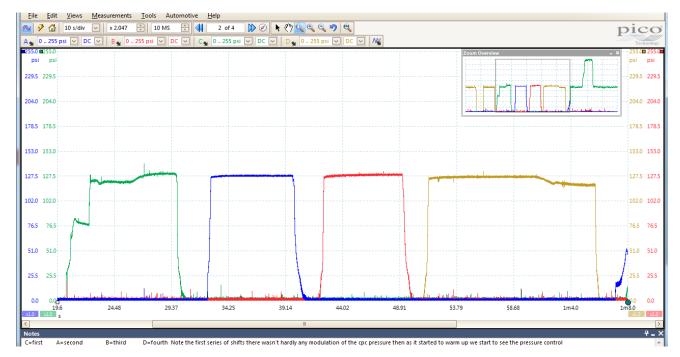
$$2.5v = 250 psi$$

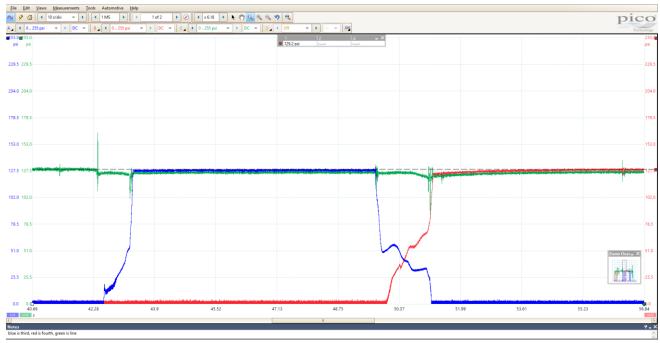
$$4.5v = 500 \text{ psi}$$

 Set up a custom range in the scope to display the correct pressures



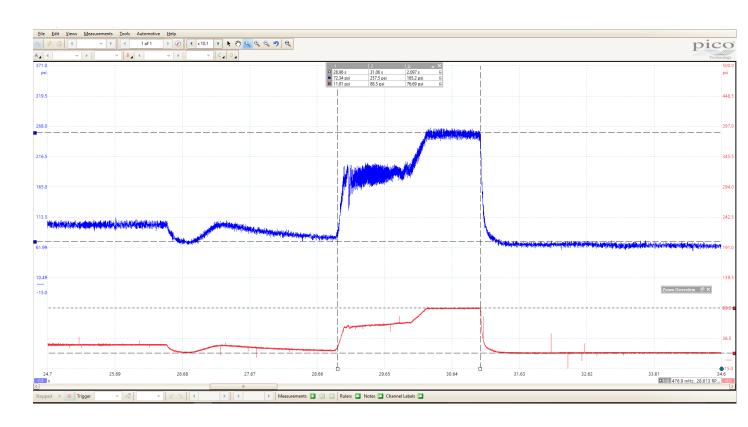
- Example
 - Honda transaxle
 - Top scope image is prerepair
 - Notice the gaps between gears
 - This transmission had flares during shifts
 - Bottom scope image
 - Rebuilt transmission, with new pressure switches and cleaned cpc solenoids
 - Notice the overlap between 3rd and 4th (blue and red)



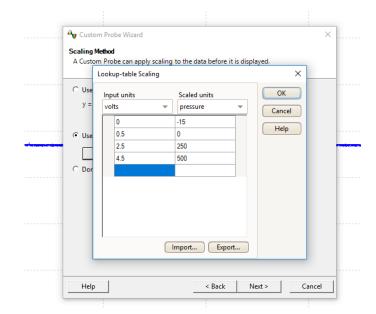


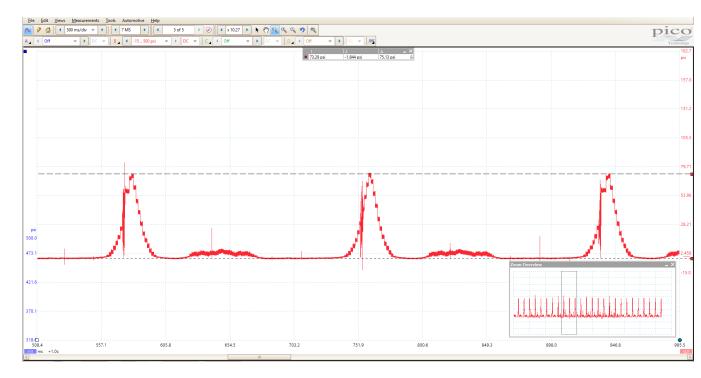
Pressure Example

- - Ford transaxle
 - Shift into second, then short flare
 - Trans is adapting to slippage and adjusting pressures to the max during the shift



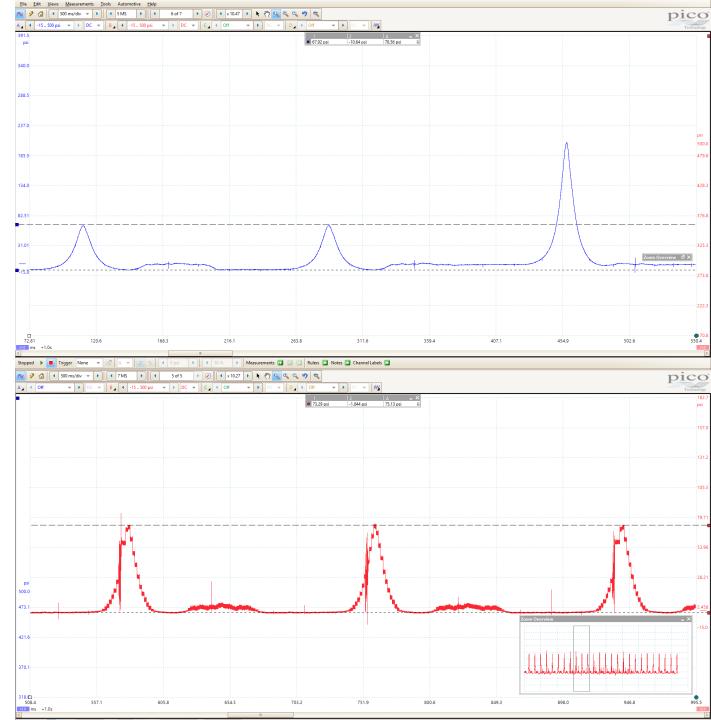
- China transducer
- Pros
 - Cheap
 - Small
 - Wide range of pressures available (5psi to 1600psi)
- Cons
 - .5v = zero makes it hard to use unless you can set custom ranges
 - Needs power supply (usb work fine)
 - Slower response rate than a PV350 or WPS, so it won't work as well when checking combustion events



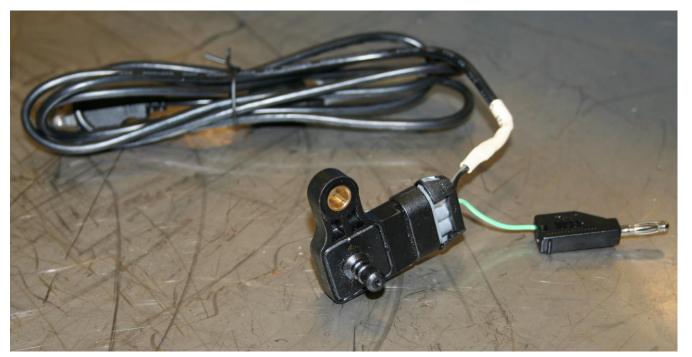


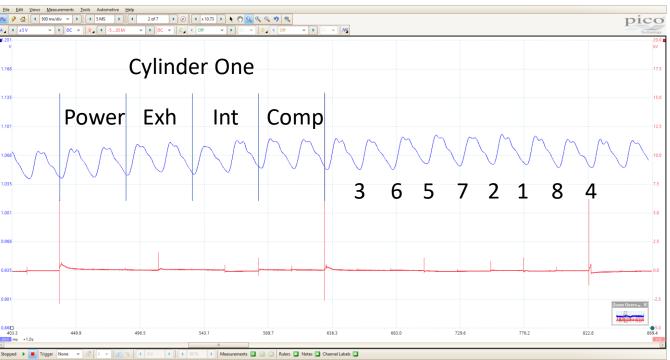
PV350

Amazon -



- MAP Sensor
 - Digital vacuum gauge
 - Measure cylinder pumping contribution





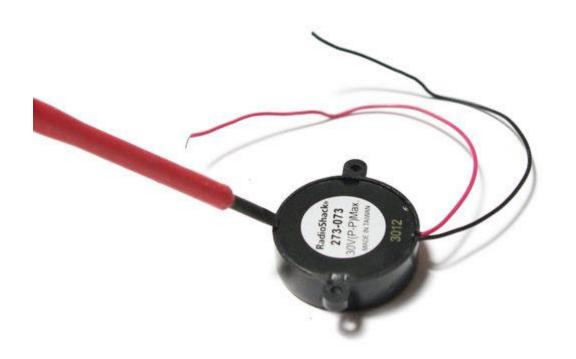


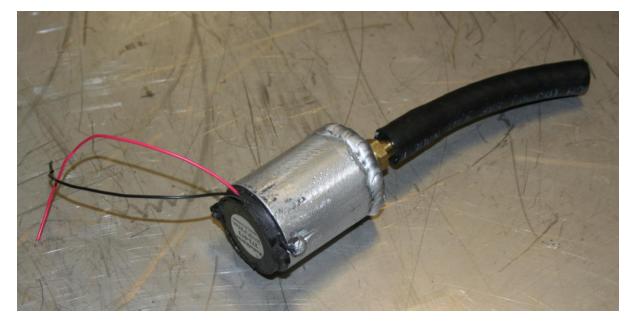
Pressure Transducers

Pulse sensor



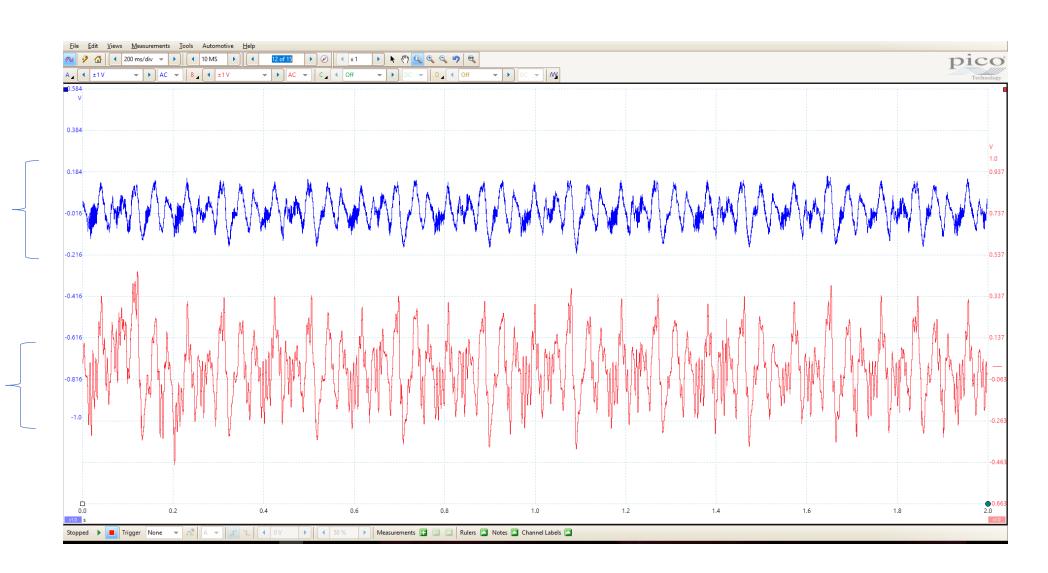
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- Shop made tools
 - Pulse sensor
 - Piezo speaker/microphone



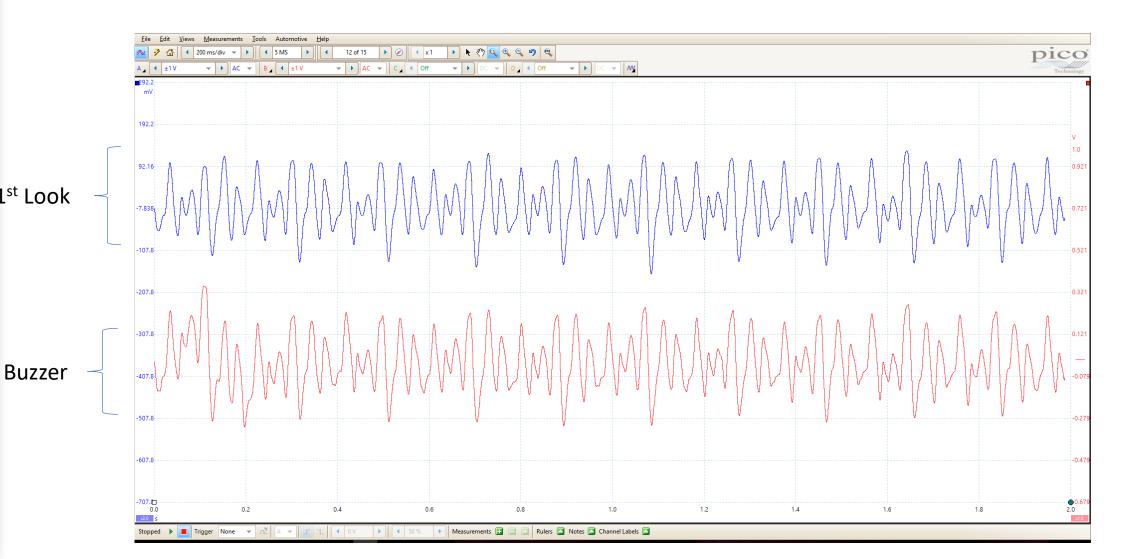


1st Look Buzzer

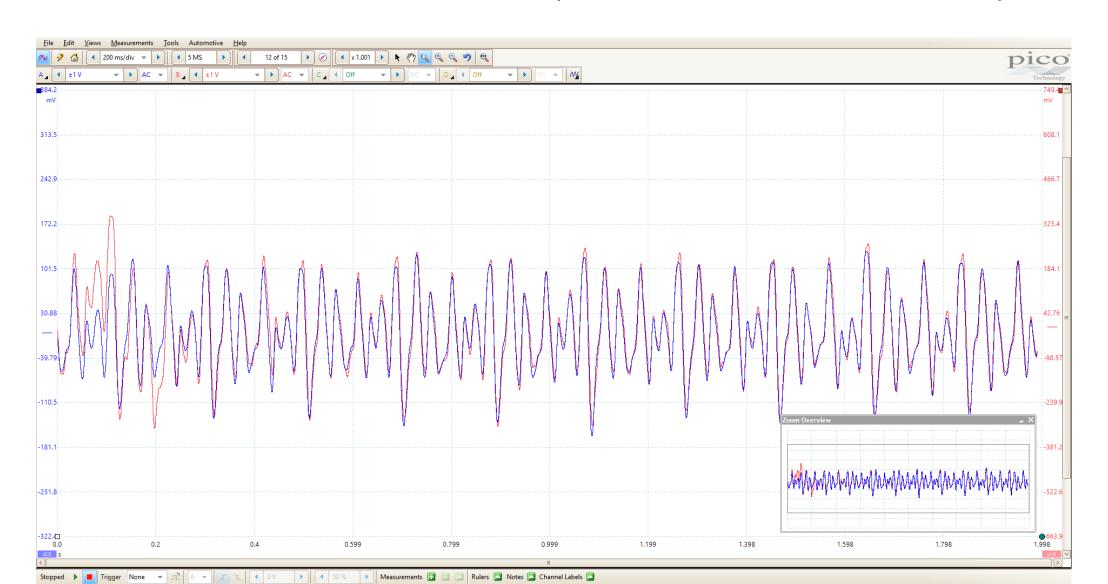
Pulse sensor- exhaust



Pulse sensor- exhaust (filtered)



Pulse sensor- exhaust (filtered and overlaid)

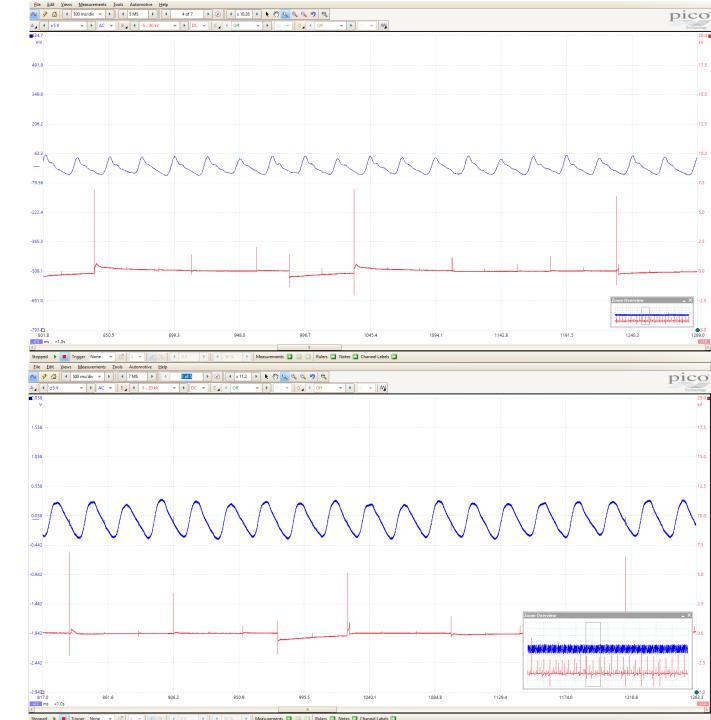




• Intake

• Idle

1st Look -

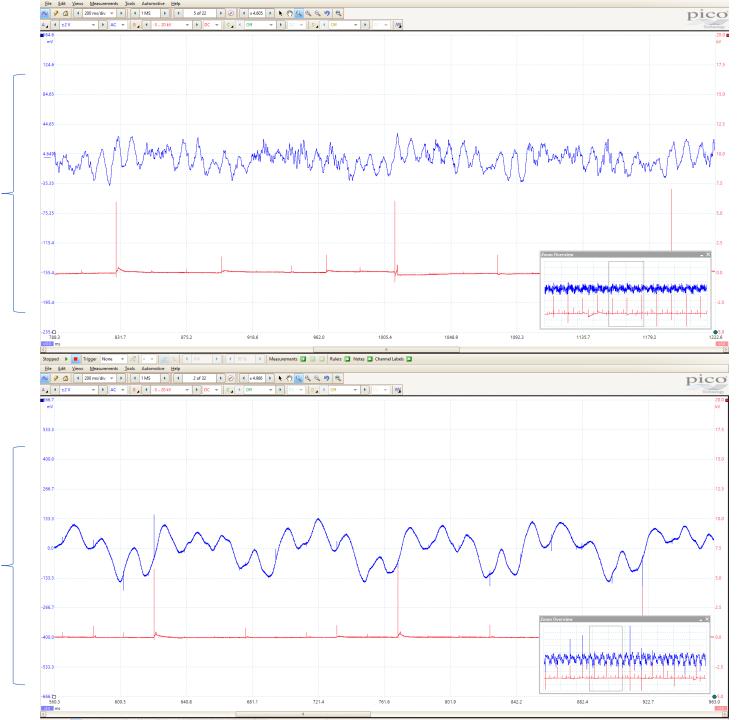




Crankcase

• Idle

1st Look -

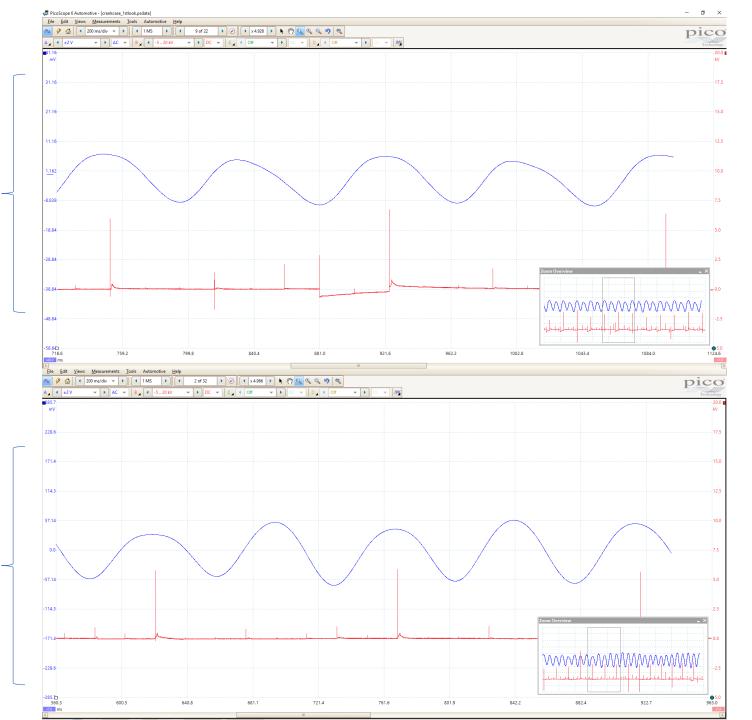




• Crankcase

• Idle

1st Look -

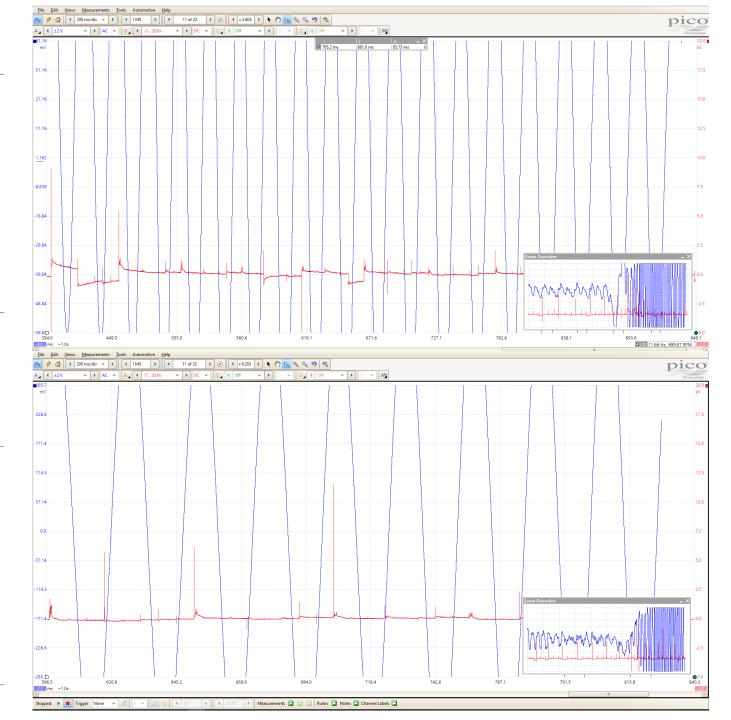




• Crankcase

• Idle

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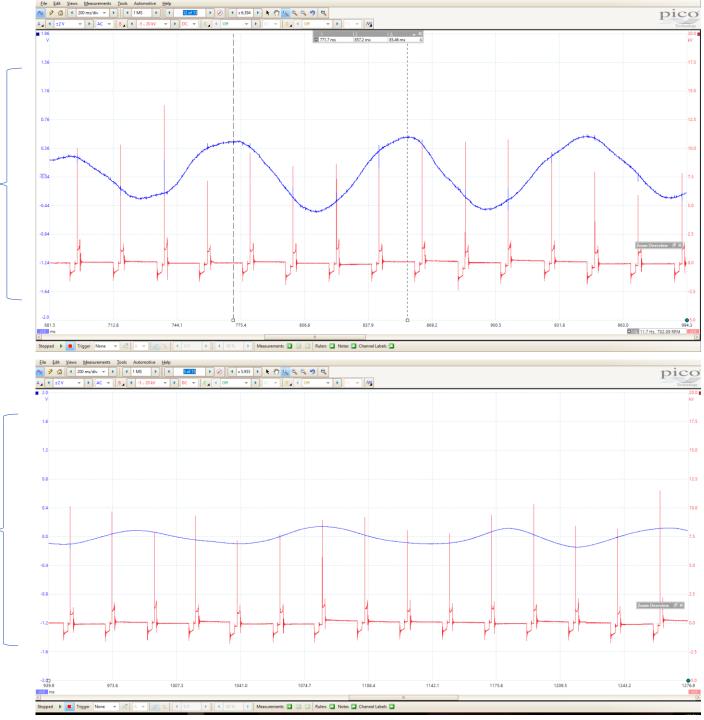




Piezo Buzzer -

- Cooling system
 - Check for combustion pulses

1st Look

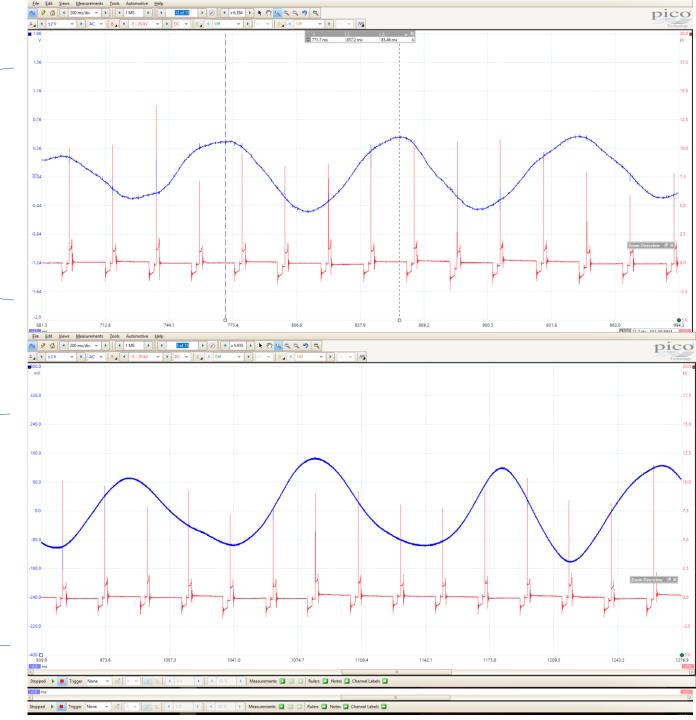




Piezo Buzzer -

- Cooling system
 - Check for combustion pulses

1st Look zoomed in





Noise, Vibration, and Harshness



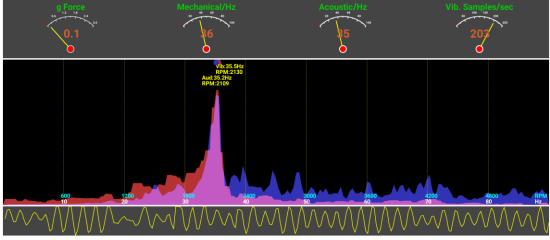
- Noise/Vibration
 - Store bought
 - Low tech
 - Reed tach
 - Electronic
 - EVA on ebay for \$350 +
 - MTS4100 \$4800
 - Pico NVH \$778
 - Smart phone
 - Shop Made
 - Chassis Ear
 - Reuse an old Chassis Ear clip and wire it to the scope
 - Knock sensor
 - Ardurino
 - \$15 accelerometer chip













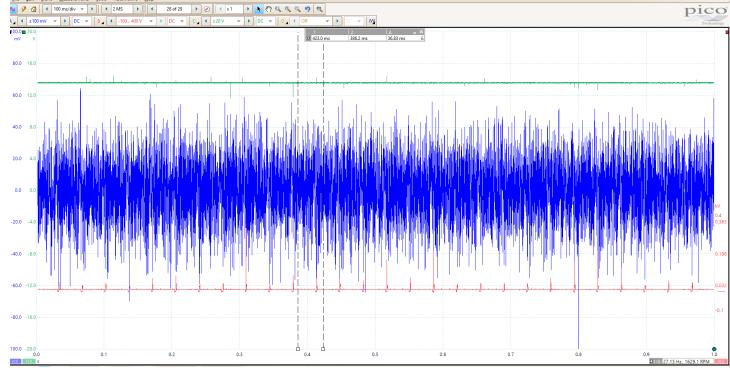
Noise, Vibration, and Harshness

Noise Analysis



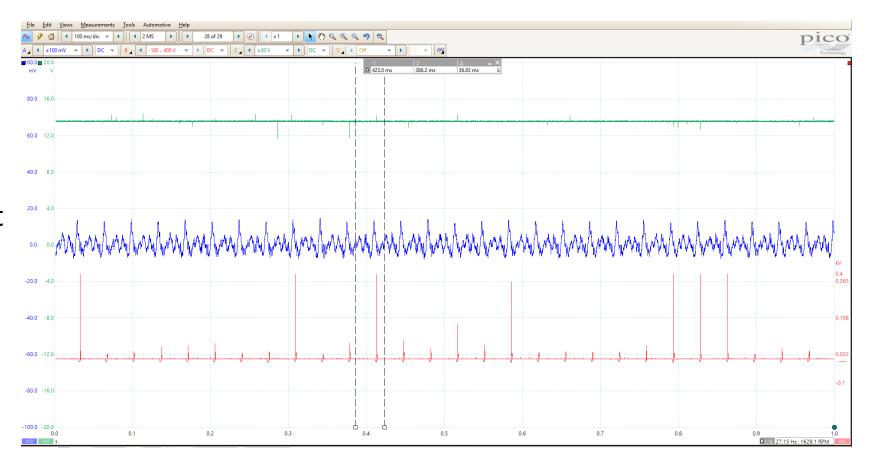
- Chassis Ear
- Engine noise example
 - A lot of interference





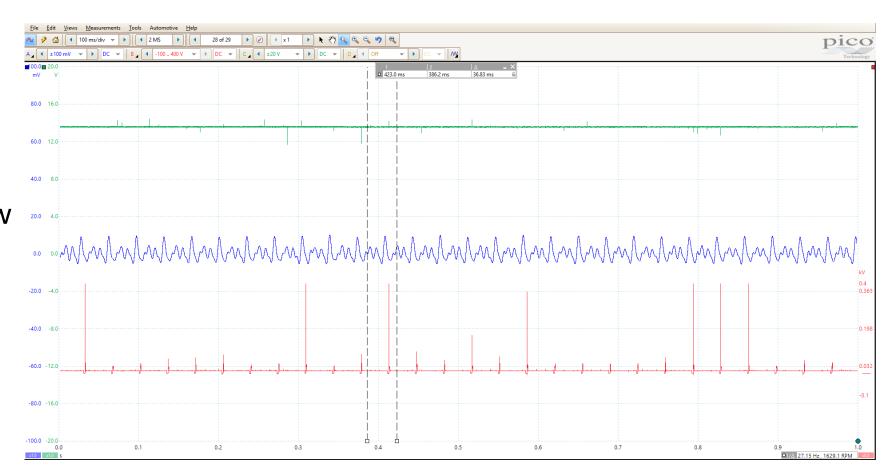


- Chassis Ear
- Engine noise example
 - Filter with 16 bit resolution



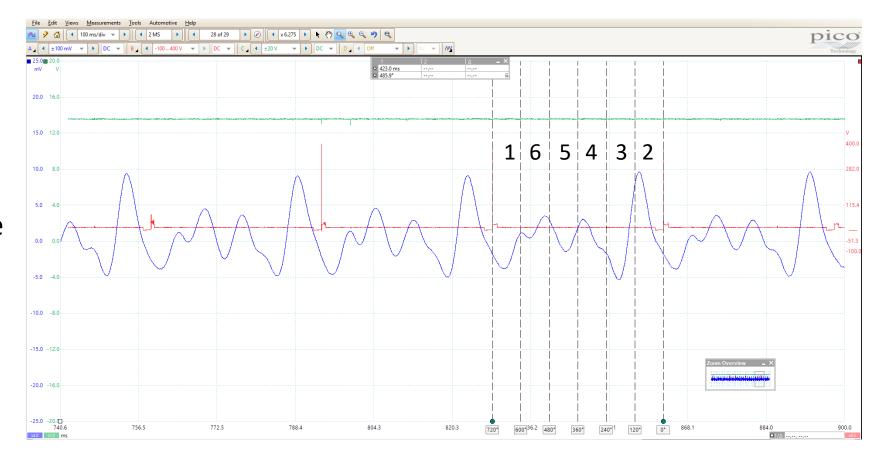


- Chassis Ear
- Engine noise example
 - Filter with "low pass filtering" at 80Hz



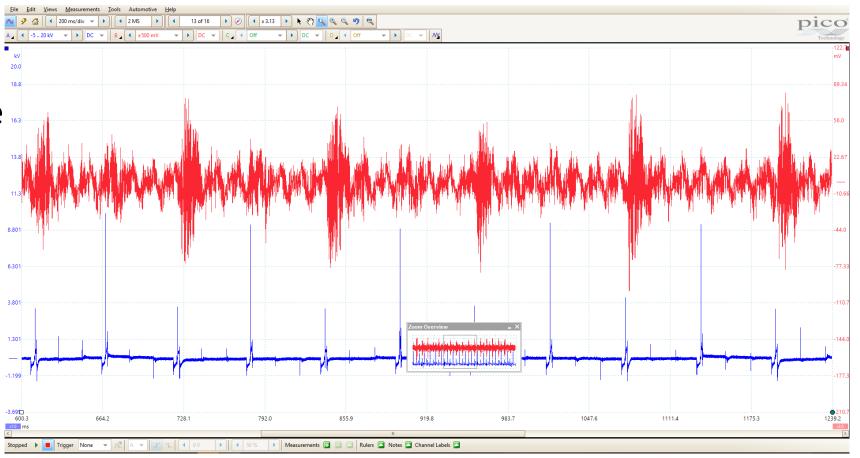


- Chassis Ear
- Engine noise example
 - Zoom in 4X on noise and move primary over noise pattern
 - Put a ruler overlay indicating ignition events for all 6 cylinders



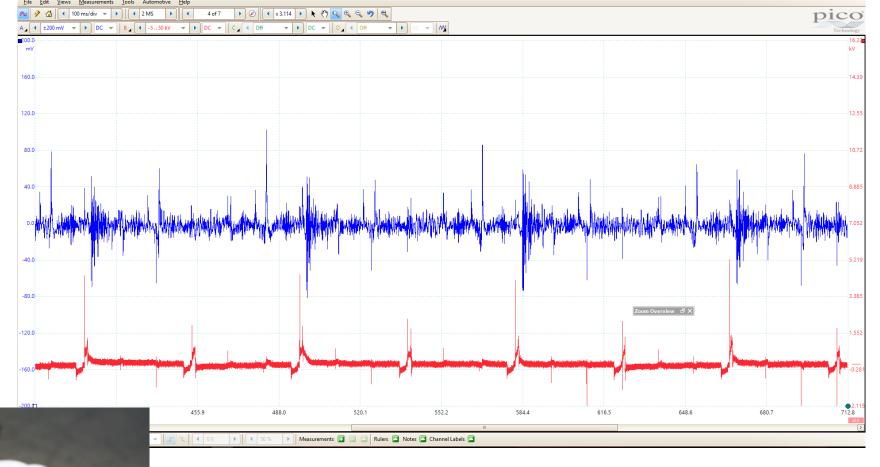


- Chassis Ear
- Another example
 - Piston slap





- Same vehicle
- Knock Sensor





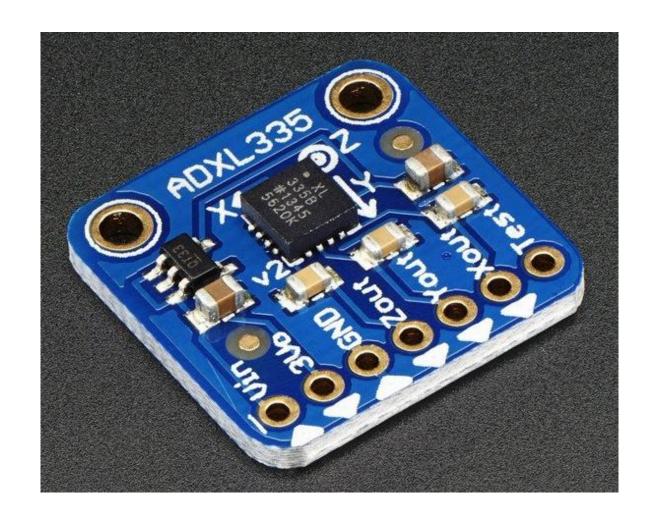


Noise, Vibration, and Harshness

Vibration Analysis

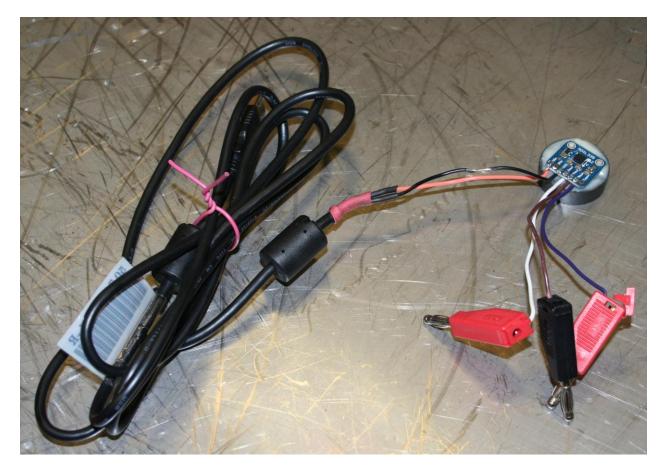


- Vibration
 - ADXL335 5V ready tripleaxis accelerometer (+-3g analog out) (\$15)
 - Adafruit.com



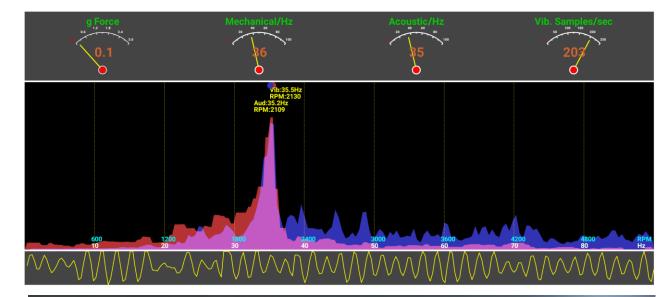


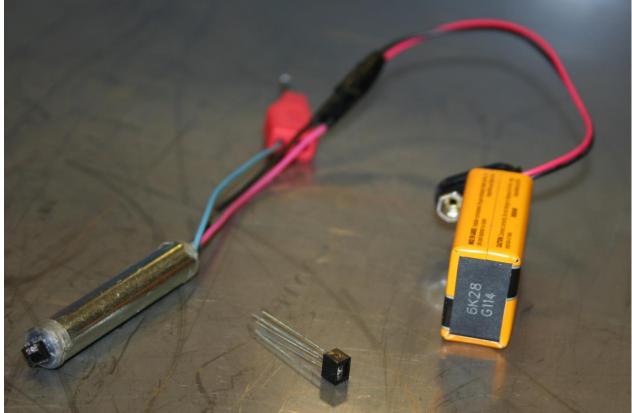
- Vibration
 - Wire the sensor to a USB for 5v supply
 - Wire three leads for the X, Y, and Z axis





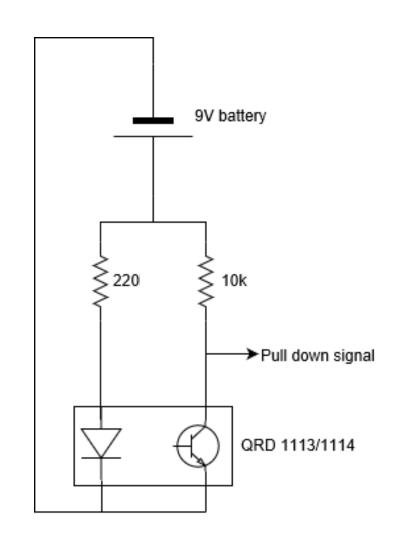
- Vibration
 - Assigning a frequency is simple through a reed tach, accelerometer, vibration app
 - Discovering the location of imbalance is the difficult part
 - Optical sensor with vibration sensor





Optical Sensor

- Experiment
 - Infrared sensor qrd1113/1114 (1.90 per sensor)
 - I haven't tried an optical LED type sensor, but I assume it might work as well





Shop made vibration analyzer

- Pros
 - Cheap (\$20 total)
 - Great teaching tool
 - Forces you to do the math

Cons

- Experience needed to determine the actual FORCE of the vibration
- Need a solid understanding of what you are doing
- Forces you to do the math!



Tire and Wheel Frequency

- 1. Vibration occurs at ____ MPH divided by 5 = increments of 5 MPH
- 2. # of inc of 5 MPH ____ X Tire Revs per Sec @ 5 MPH ____ = 1st Order Tire/Wheel Frequency ____ Hz
- 3. 1st order X 2 = ____ = 2nd Order Tire/Wheel Frequency ____ Hz

Driveshaft Frequency

- Tire/Wheel Frequency 1st order Hz _____X Axle Ratio _____ = driveshaft frequency
- 2. 1st order driveshaft freq X 2 = 2nd order driveshaft frequency

Engine Frequency

Engine Speed rpm divided by 60 = Engine Vibration 1st order Hz

**Tire Diameter Formula

2(aspect ratio X tire size) + Wheel Diameter = Tire Diameter**
2540

*Revolutions per Second @ 5 MPH Formula

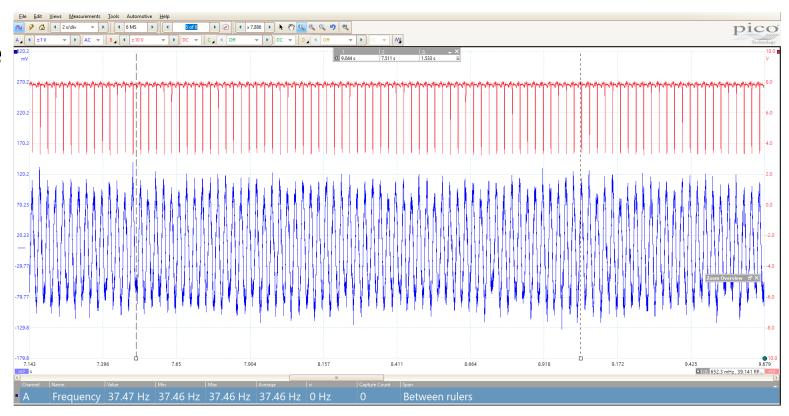
$$\frac{20800}{tire\ diameter}$$
 \div 3600 \times 5 = Revolutions per Second @ 5 MPH

1 mph = 1.6 km/h 1inch = 25.4 mm



Vibration – driveline example

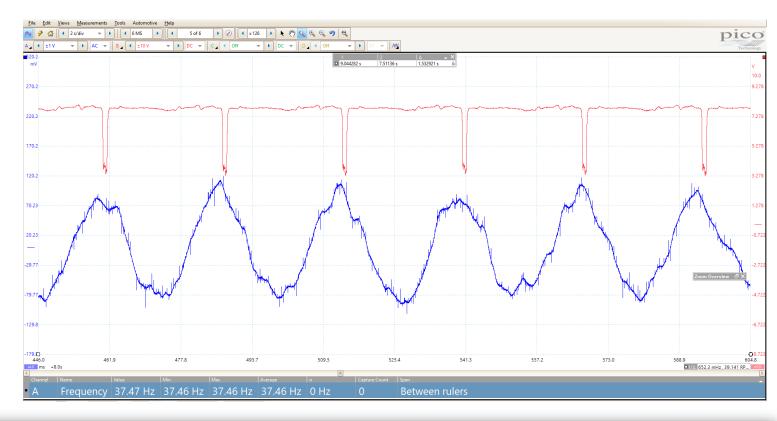
- 2wd truck with vibration at 67mph
- Red channel is optical pulse
- Blue is z-axis vibration





Vibration — driveline example

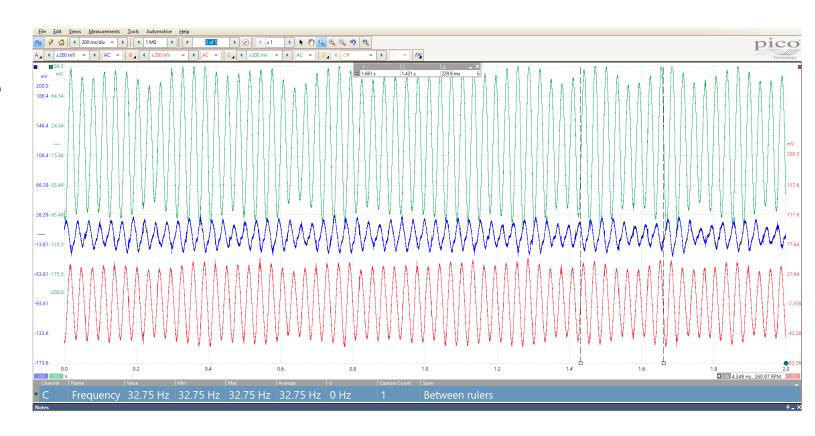
- Zoomed in
- 2wd truck with vibration at 67mph
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Vibration — engine example

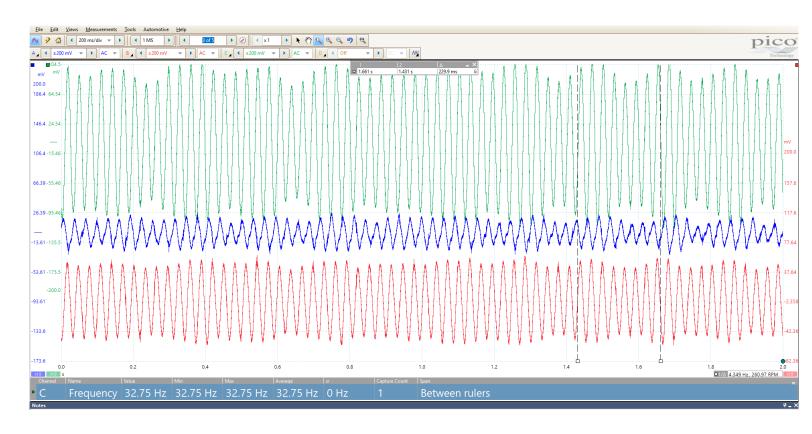
- V-6 Engine is idling around 650 RPM
- Vibration is felt in steering wheel
- Sensor is placed on steering wheel





Vibration — engine example

- 32.75 x 60 = 1965 pulses per minute
- 1956/3 = 655
- 650 rpm engine has a 1950 pulse 3rd order vibration
- Bad engine mounts





The End!

Questions???

