



#### VidéoBalisomètre

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# First, a little bit of history



- 2003 : Audemars Piguet starts looking for new measurement technologies
- 2005 : The VidéoBalisomètre project starts with QUALIMATEST
- 2007: The concept is presented at Chronometry International Congress
- 2009 : The fully functional VidéoBalisomètre is exposed at EPHJ
- 2010 : Final deliverly to Audemars Piguet
- 2011 : Audemars Piguet R&d Lab is asking for evolutions





### **Presentation summary**



What's the <u>regulating organ</u>... breefly

 The challenge submitted by Audemars Piguet

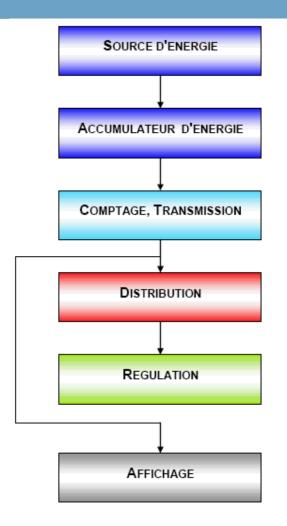
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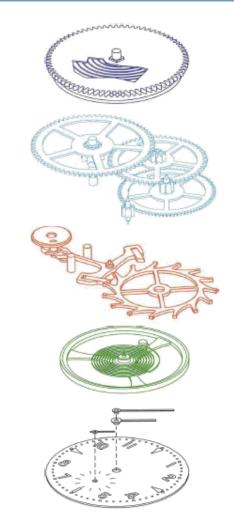
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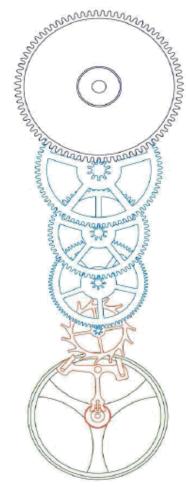




# The regulating organ in the watch





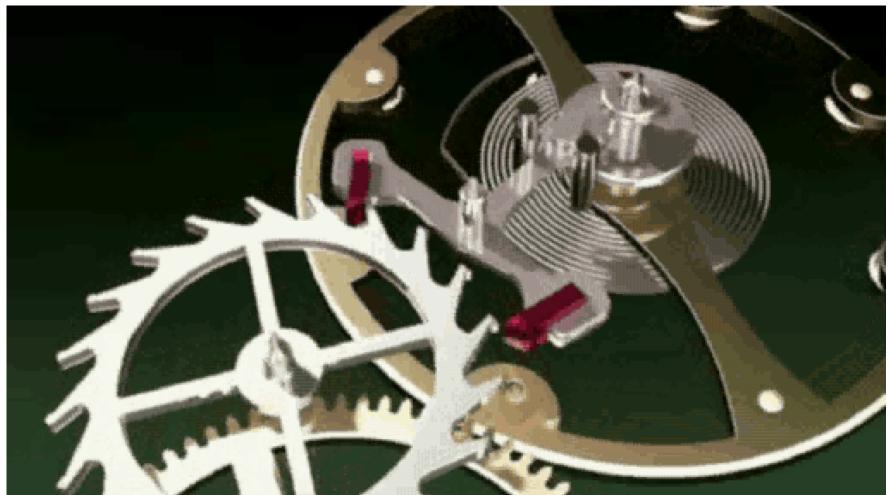






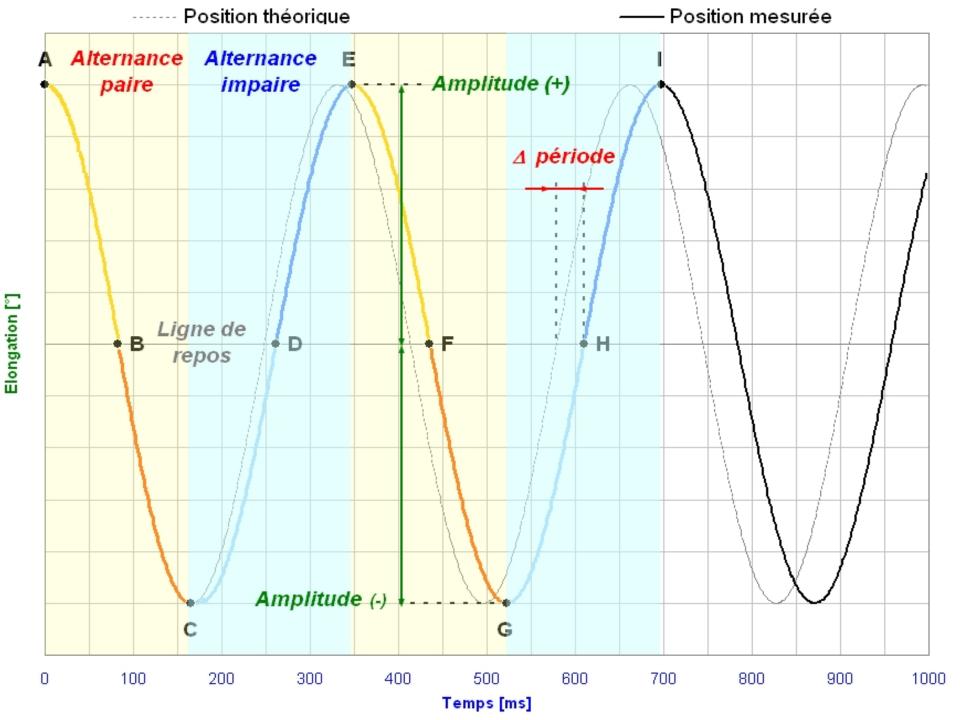
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- Measures to perform <u>continuously</u>:
  - Balance wheel amplitude from 400° to 0° with 0.5° accuracy
  - Balance wheel max speed with 1°/ms accuracy
  - Frequency accuracy in seconds/day with 1s/d accuracy

If we measure T=333.0 ms then the watch gains 86.4 seconds each day

If we measure T=333.337 ms then the watch loses 1 seconds each day

- The measures can last from 60 seconds up to 10 days
- The watch can be placed in any orientation

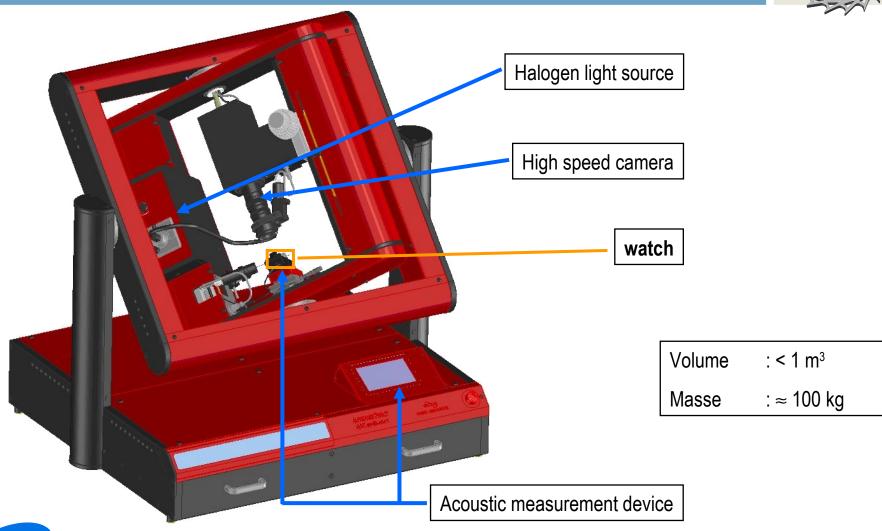




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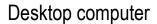






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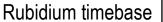


Vision measurement

High speed camera









Acoustic measurement

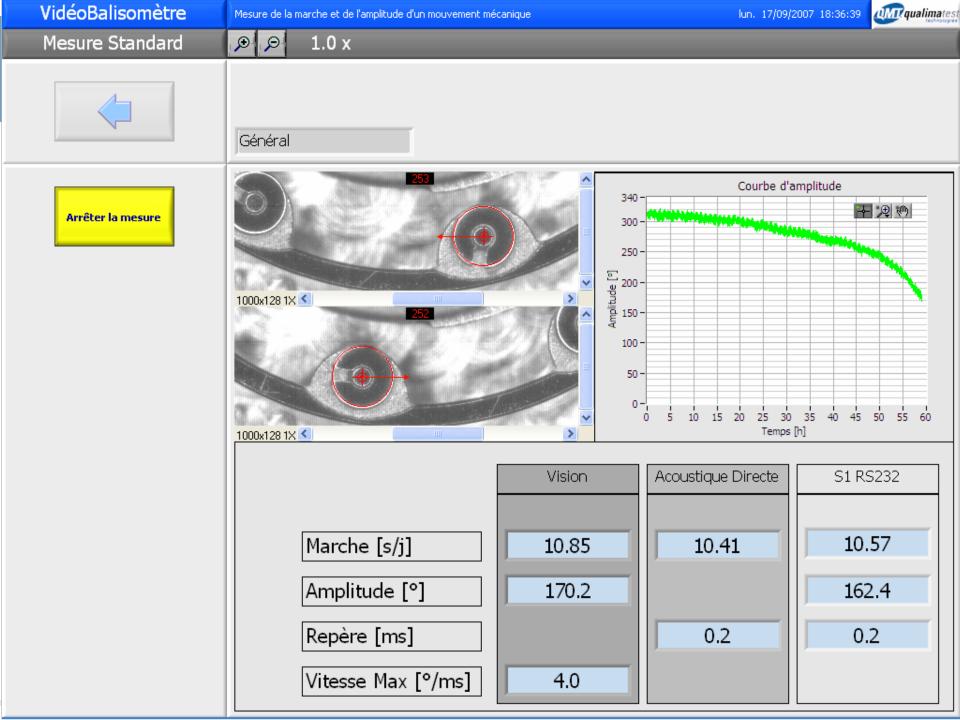


High accuracy Synchronisation

Acoustic measurement device

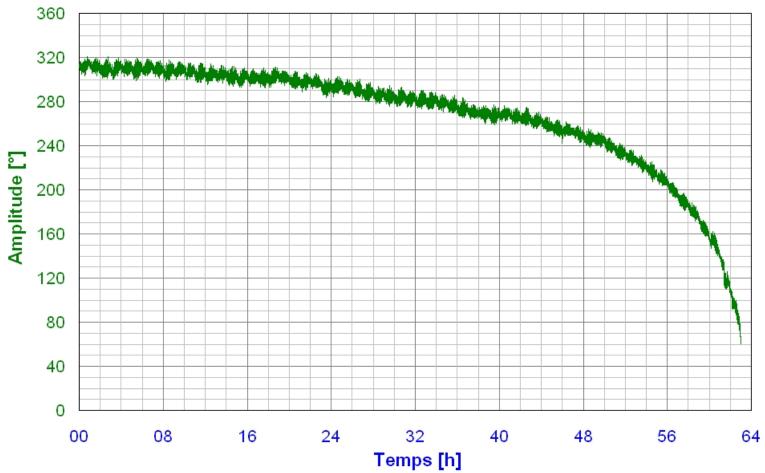






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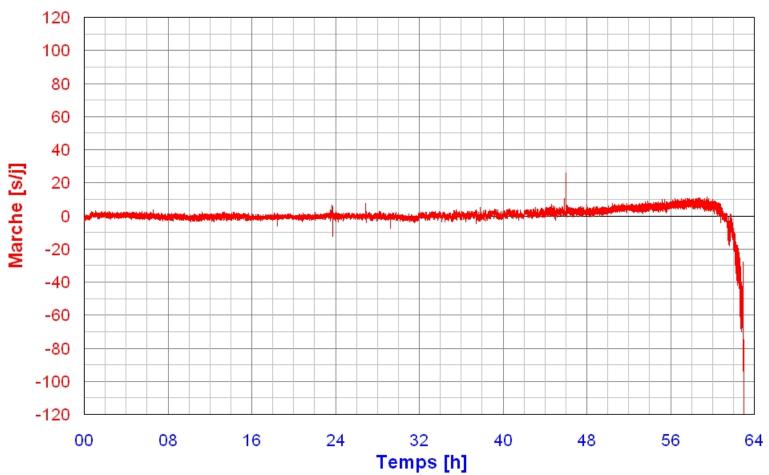






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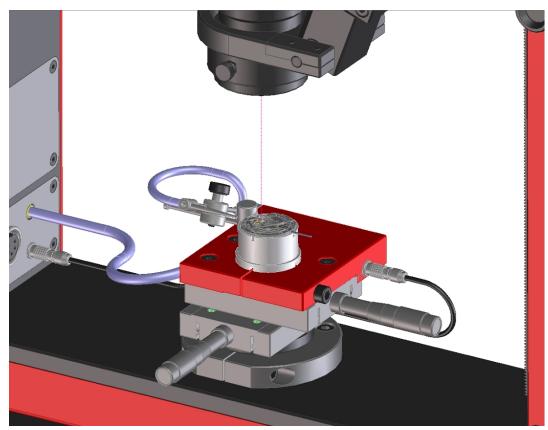




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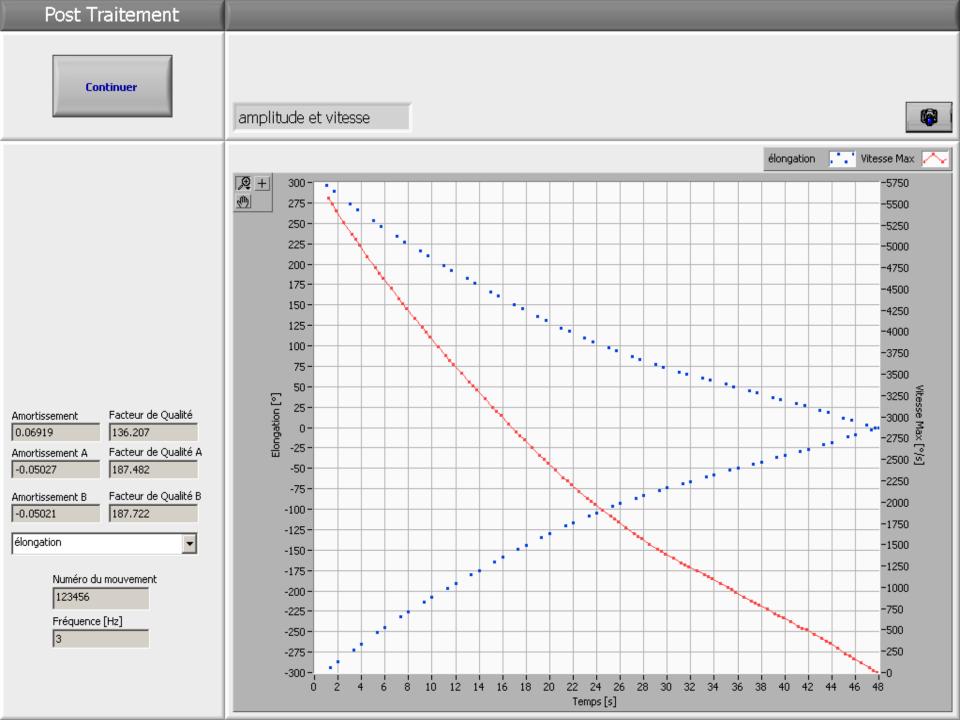


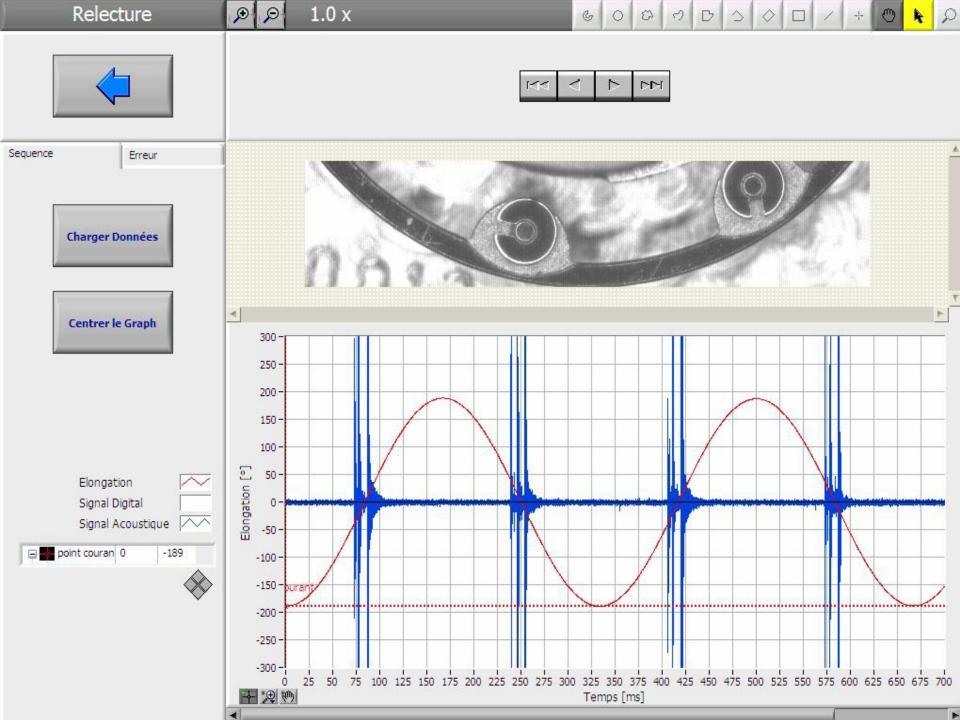
- The regulating organ is a free oscillating system
- A triggered pneumatic system will start the oscillation
- Only the vision measurement are possible
- Measure will last between 30 and 90 seconds only











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