## Strain Gauge Correlation

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Finite Element Analysis vs Strain Gauge correlation of Utility Boom System:
Strain gauge locations along with strain values were identified in Finite Element

model with required uniaxial and rosette vectors.

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- Loading positions are identified to carry out static analysis and physical testing.
- Hand calculations were performed to determine all the pin reactions, cylinder forces.
- Slew Bearing model with all bolts in FEA at their respective locations to simulate the effect of bearing & to account the bolt preloads.
  - Static analysis was carried out with friction contact method and evaluated of all forces with respect to hand calculations.
- Participated in strain gauge activity to mount the gauges and capture the strain values.

FEA to physical testing correlation achieved in the range of 75% at weld zones and 85% at away from weld zones