

PQDIF File Viewer Utility

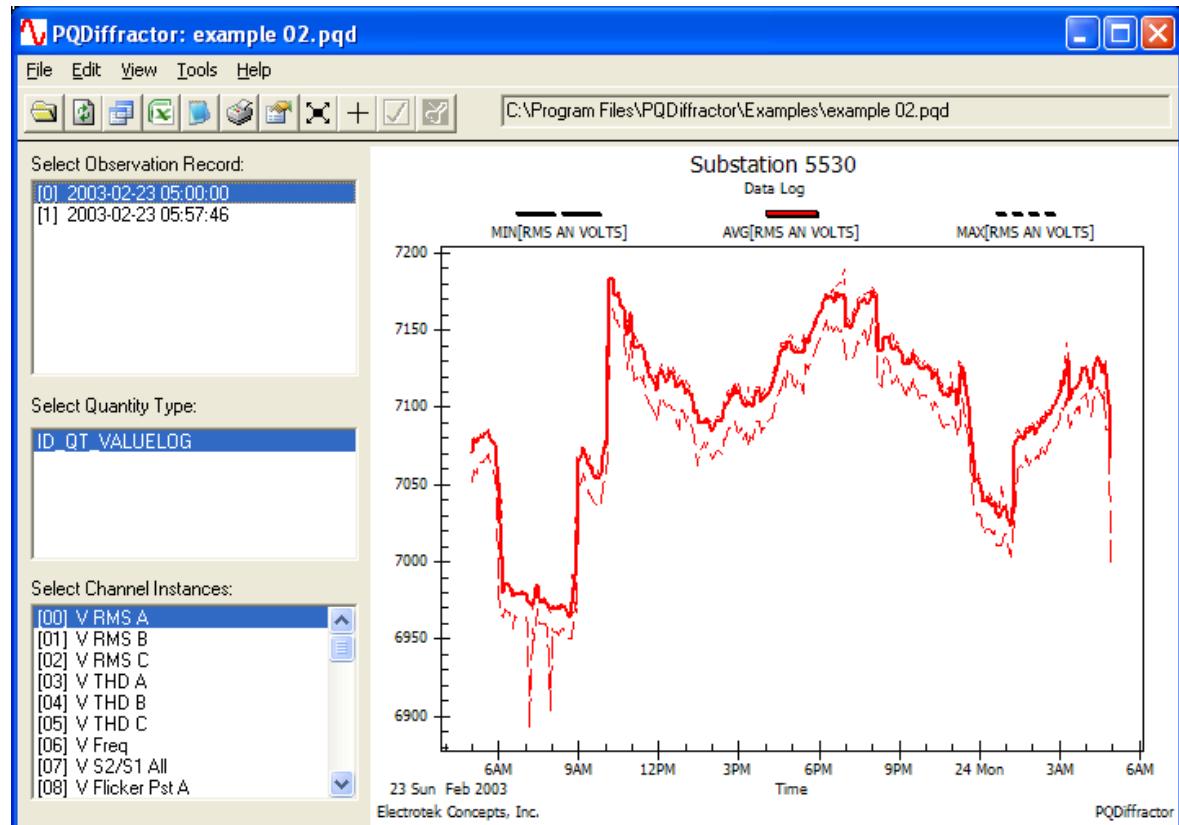
# **PQDIFFRACTOR**

# IEEE Std 1159.3

- A 2003 standard written by the IEEE P1159 Working Group on Power Quality Monitoring that specifies a very precise way for exchanging data between software applications using a binary data file format.
- Structured Format
  - Container Record
  - Channel Settings Record
  - Monitor Settings Record
  - Observation Record
- GUIDs and IDs identify the data stored in the records
  - GUID: Globally Unique Identifier

# PQDiffraction

- PQDiffraction is a free PQDIF file viewer utility developed by Electrotek Concepts for browsing, diagnosing, and converting PQDIF files.

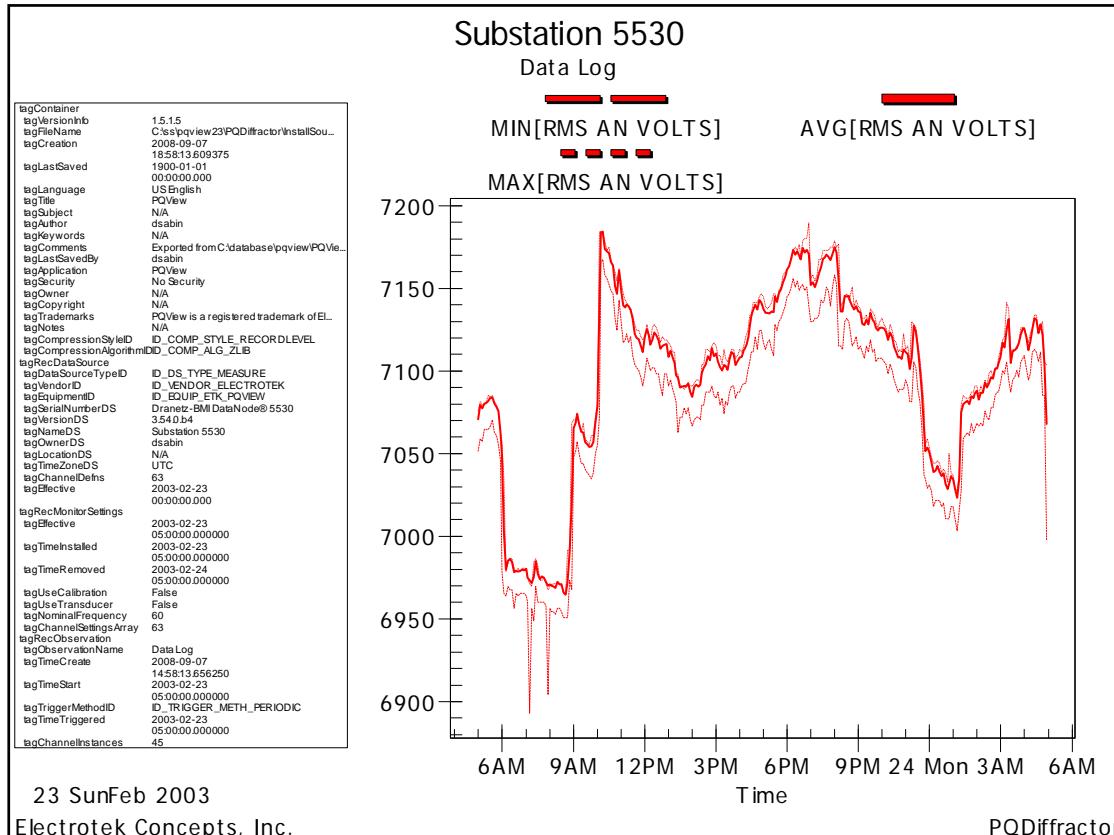


# PQDiffraction Functions

- Read binary PQDIF Files
- View lists of data source records in each PQDIF file
- View list of observation records stored in each PQDIF file
- View lists of quantity types associated with each observation record
- View list of channel instances associated in each observation record
- View tags and values from records, definitions, and instances stored in PQDIF files as tables

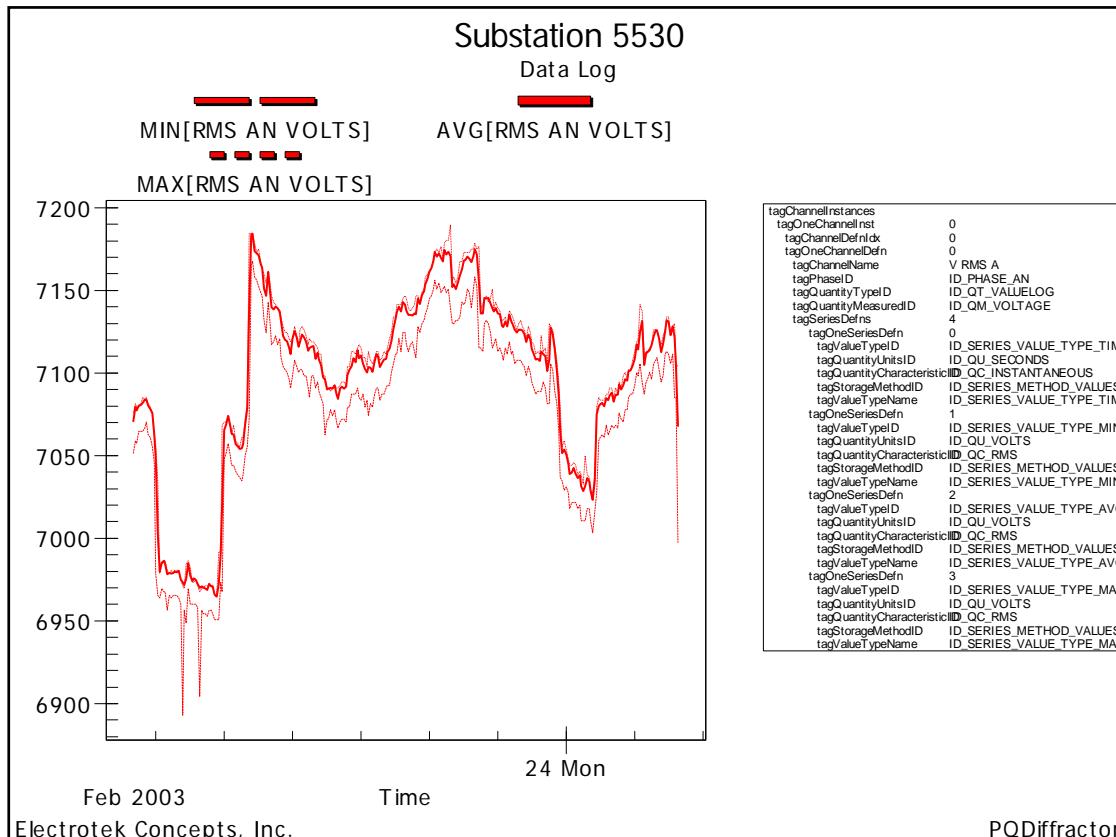
# PQDiffraction Functions

- View container, record source, and monitor settings record in a summary table by using menu command **View | Record Table**.



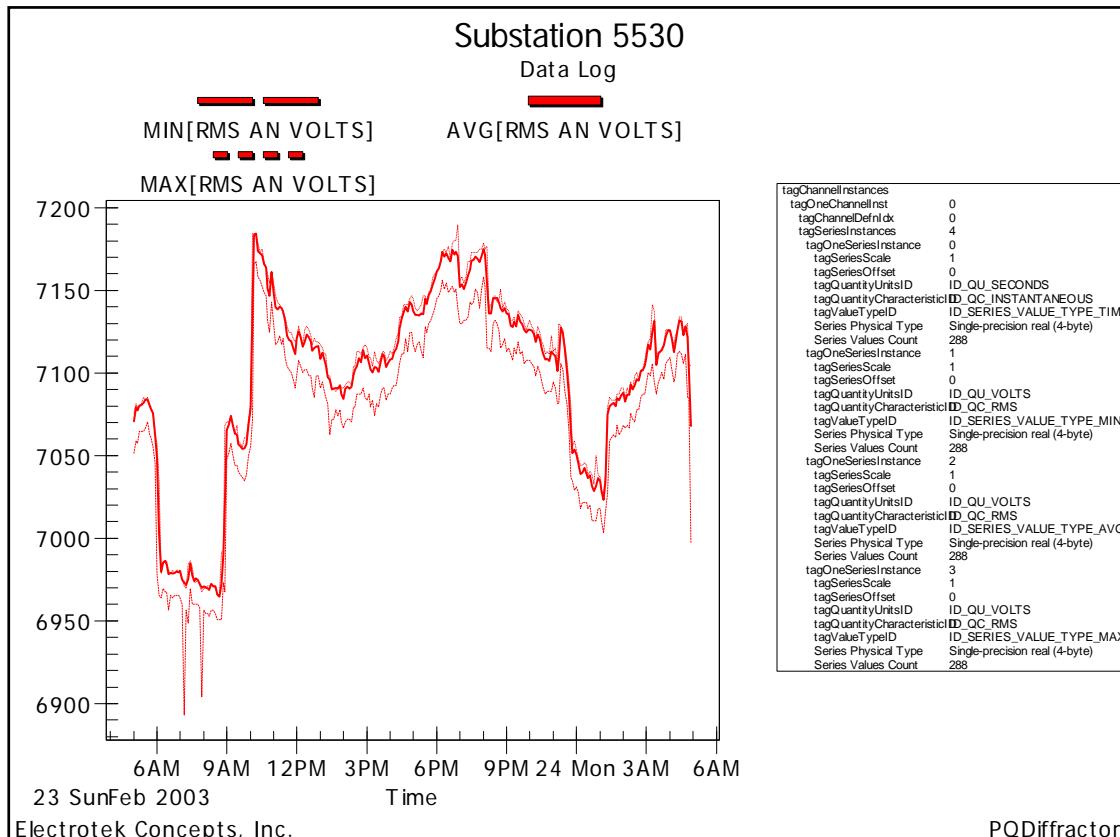
# PQDiffraction Functions

- View channel definition and series definitions by using the menu command **View | Channel Definitions**.



# PQDiffraction Functions

- View channel definition and series instances by using the menu command **View | Channel Instances**.

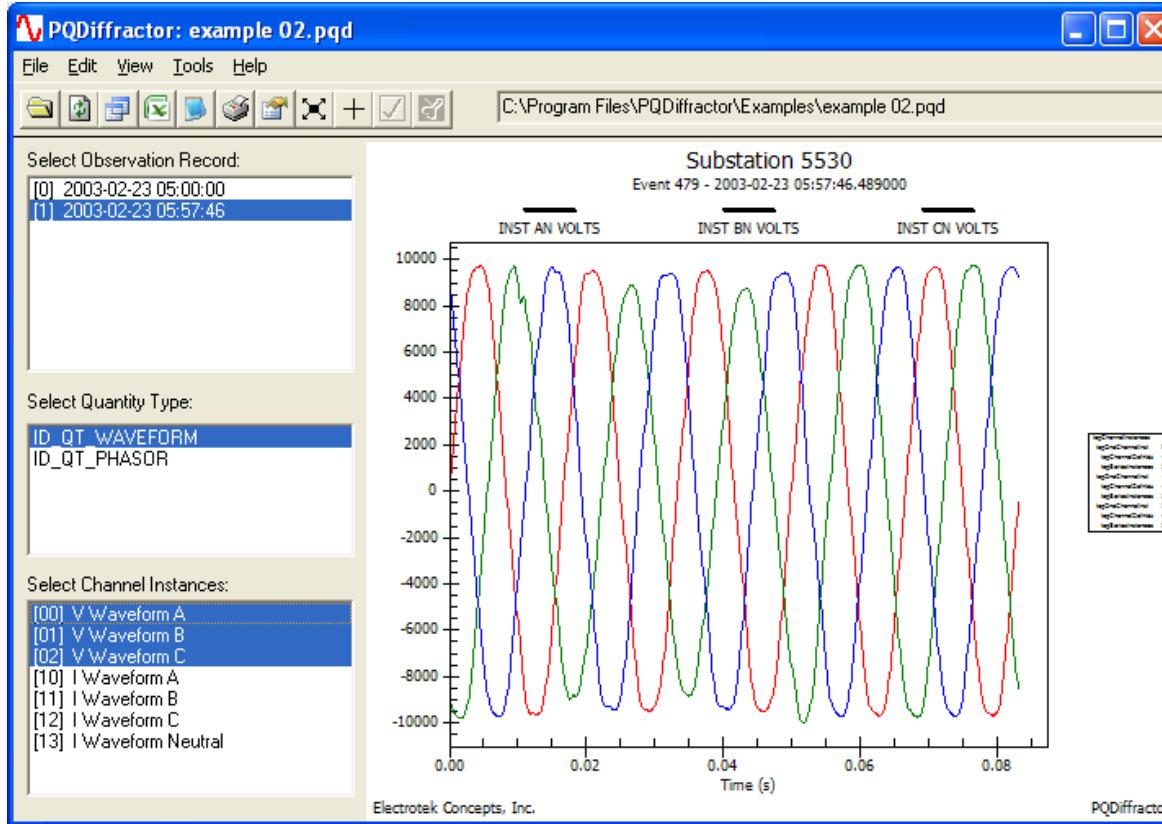


# PQDiffraction Charting Functions

- Create interactive charts from observations with channels of any quantity type
  - value logs, waveforms, phasors, mag-dur-time, mag-dur, response, X-Y, X-Y-Z, flash density, cumulative probability frequency, histogram, 3D histogram

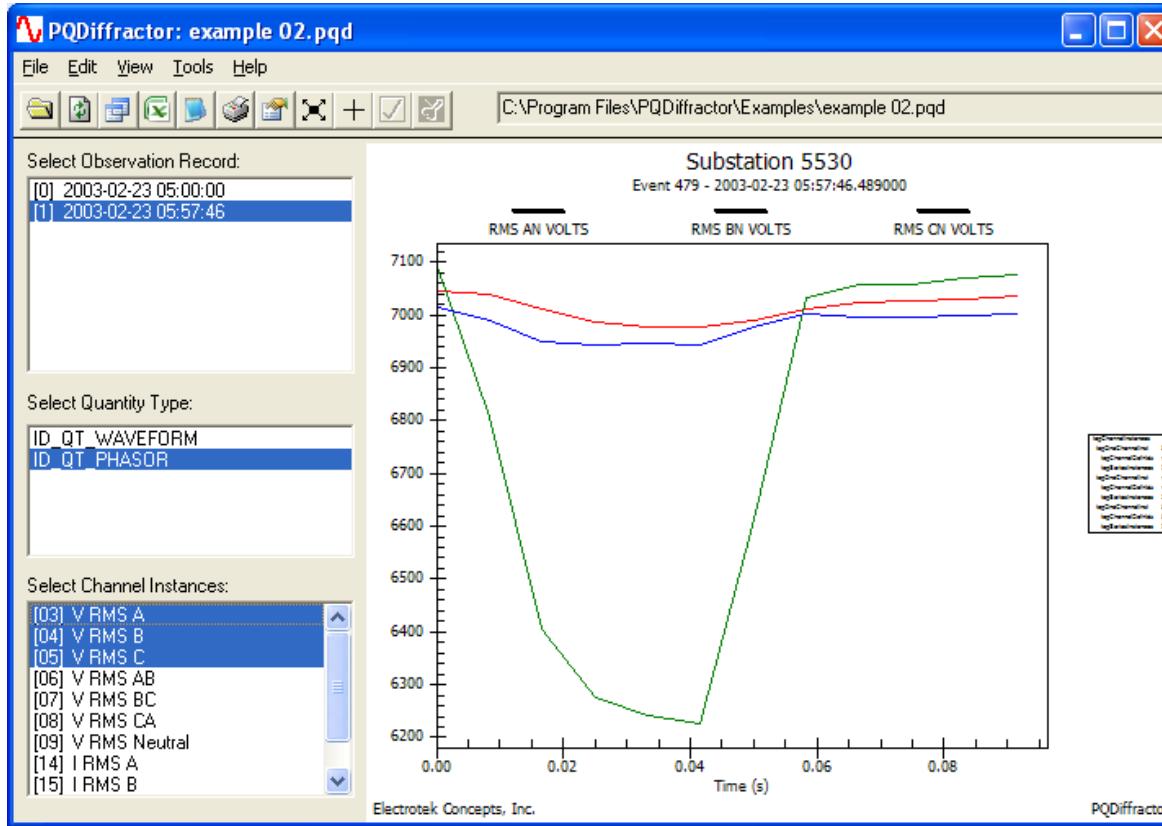
# PQDiffraction Charting Functions

- Example chart showing three channel instances of an observation tagged as a waveform quantity type



# PQDiffraction Charting Functions

- Example chart showing three channel instances of an observation tagged as a phasor quantity type

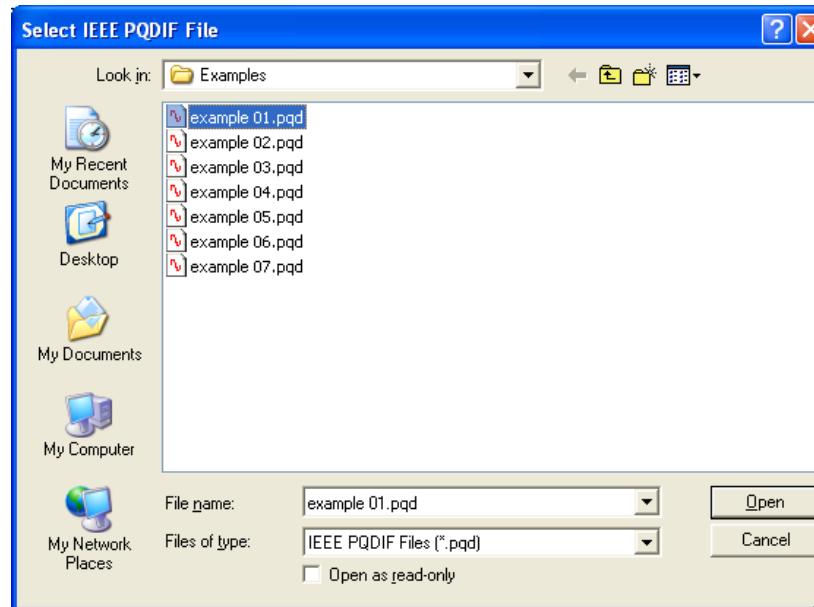


# PQDiffractor Export Functions

- Export charts to numerous graphical formats
  - Enhanced metafile (EMF)
  - Windows metafile (WMF)
  - Windows bitmap (BMP)
  - JPEG Image (JPG)
  - Portable Network Graphics (PNG)
- Export displayed observations as text files
  - Direct export to Microsoft Excel
  - Export as CSV file

# PQDiffraction Tool Strip Commands

- Opens a file dialog box to select an existing PQDIF file



# PQDiffraction Tool Strip Commands

- Reloads the PQDIF File and rebuilds the chart



# PQDiffraction Tool Strip Commands

- Copies the chart to the Windows Clipboard as a metafile



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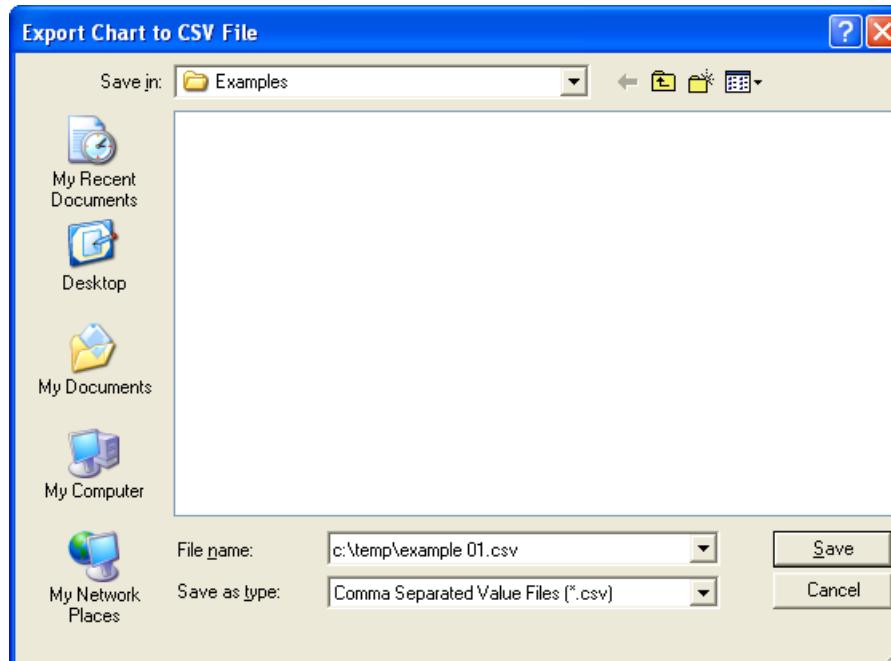
- Exports the data from the current chart of Microsoft Excel

A screenshot of Microsoft Excel showing a data table. The title bar reads 'Substation 5530'. The table has four columns: 'Time (s)', 'INST AN VOLTS', 'INST BN VOLTS', and 'INST CN VOLTS'. The data starts at row 4 and continues through row 10. Row 1 contains the header 'Substation 5530'.

	A	B	C	D
1	Substation 5530			
2				
3	Time (s)	INST AN VOLTS	INST BN VOLTS	INST CN VOLTS
4	0	37.3396492	-8856.138672	8953.740234
5	0.000130191	485.4154358	-9080.723633	8680.876953
6	0.000260383	940.9591675	-9230.447266	8369.939453
7	0.000390574	1366.631104	-9372.68457	8014.581543
8	0.000520766	1822.174927	-9462.518555	7614.804199
9	0.000650957	2247.846924	-9544.866211	7246.755371
10	0.000781148	2703.390625	-9589.783203	6834.286621

# PQDiffraction Tool Strip Commands

- Exports the data from the current chart to a CSV file



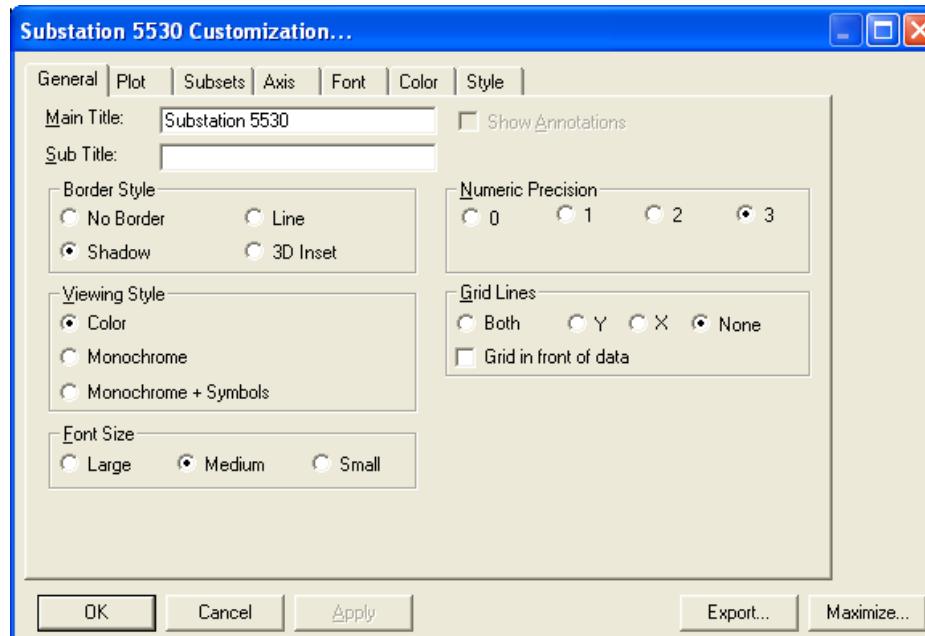
# PQDiffraction Tool Strip Commands

- Prints the current chart



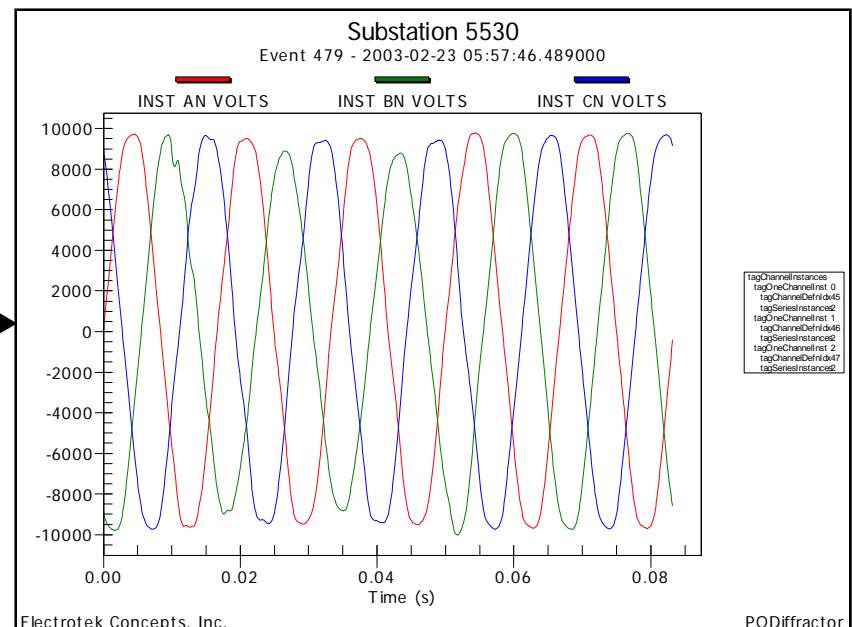
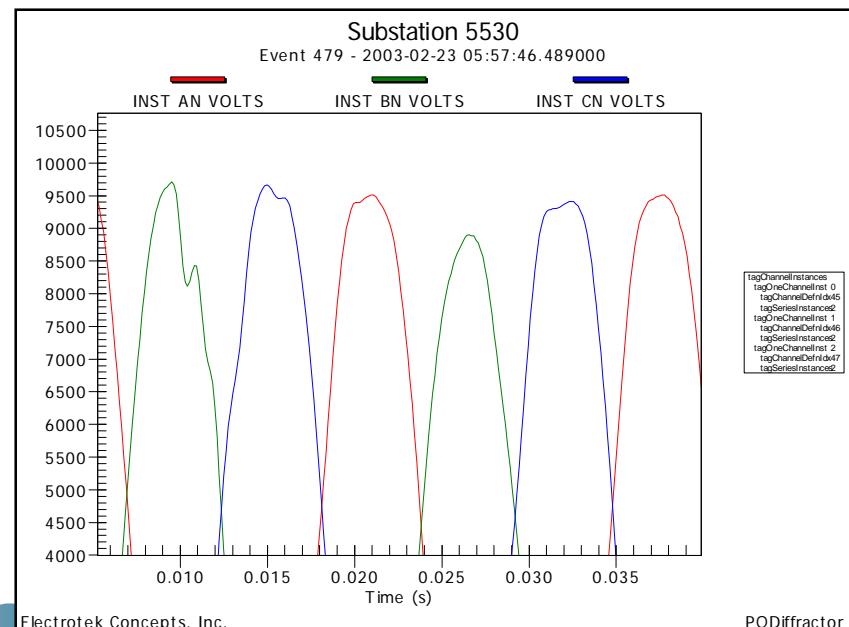
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- Opens a Chart Properties Dialog box



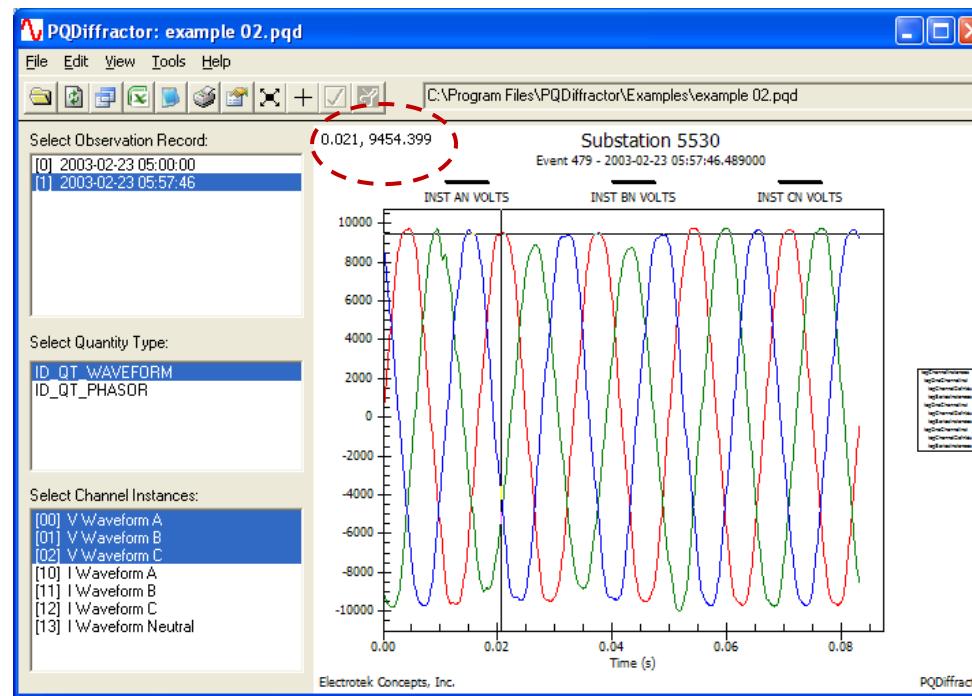
# PQDiffractor Tool Strip Commands

- Unzooms the current chart



# PQDiffraction Tool Strip Commands

- Adds a crosshair cursor to the chart

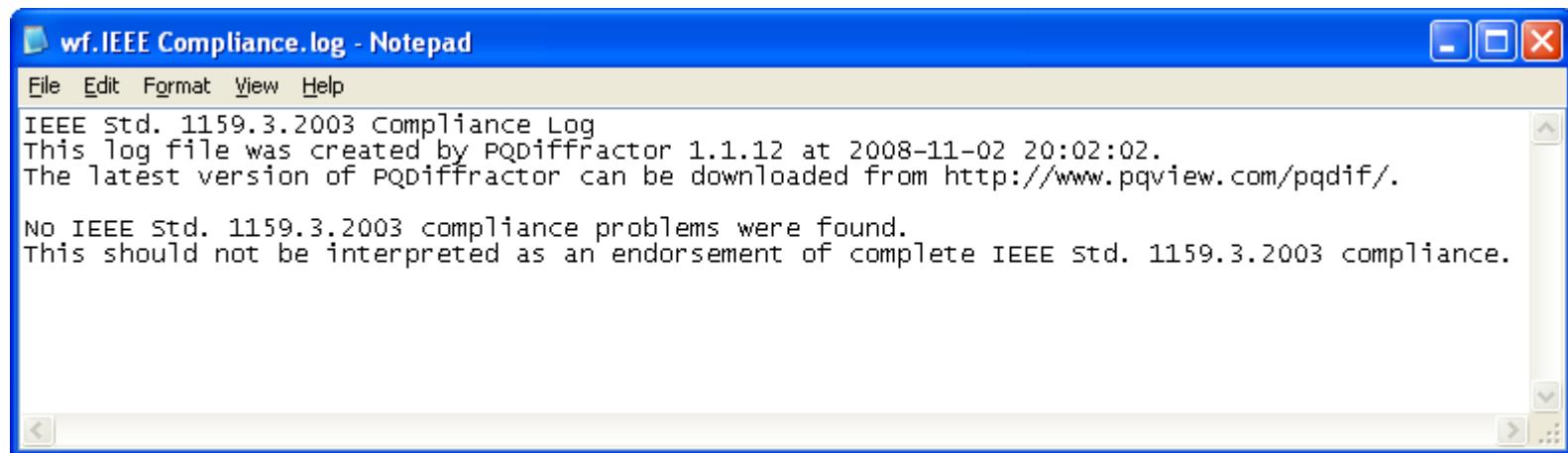


# PQDiffraction Conversion Functions

- Convert from native binary PQD to XML
  - Use the menu command **File | Save As | XML**.
  - This allows you to read or browse a PQDIF file using a text or XML parser.
- Convert from native binary PQD to XML Structure
  - Use the menu command **File | Save As | XML Structure**.
  - Export the structure and definitions of the PQDIF file, but only a maximum of three sample values per series instance
- Future Planned Development
  - convert from XML to native binary PQD

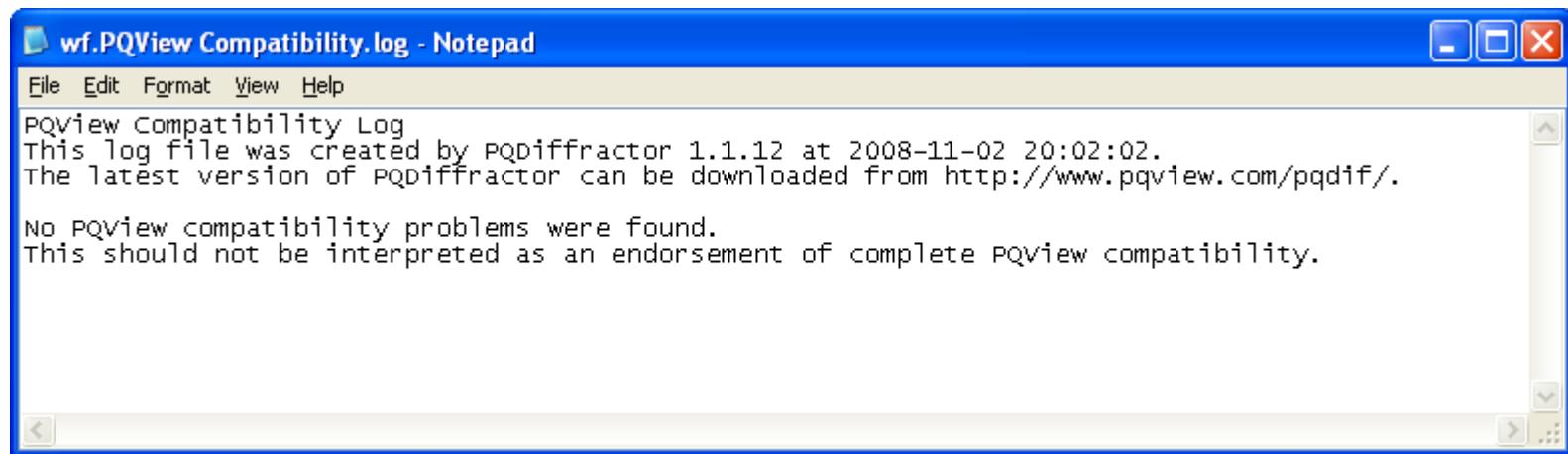
# Determine IEEE 1159.3 Compliance

- Determine numerous IEEE Std 1159.3 compliance issues
  - Mark the check box menu option under **Tools | Log IEEE Compliance** when reading a file.
  - Make sure that you have write access to the folder where the PQDIF file is located in order to allow a LOG text file to be created.



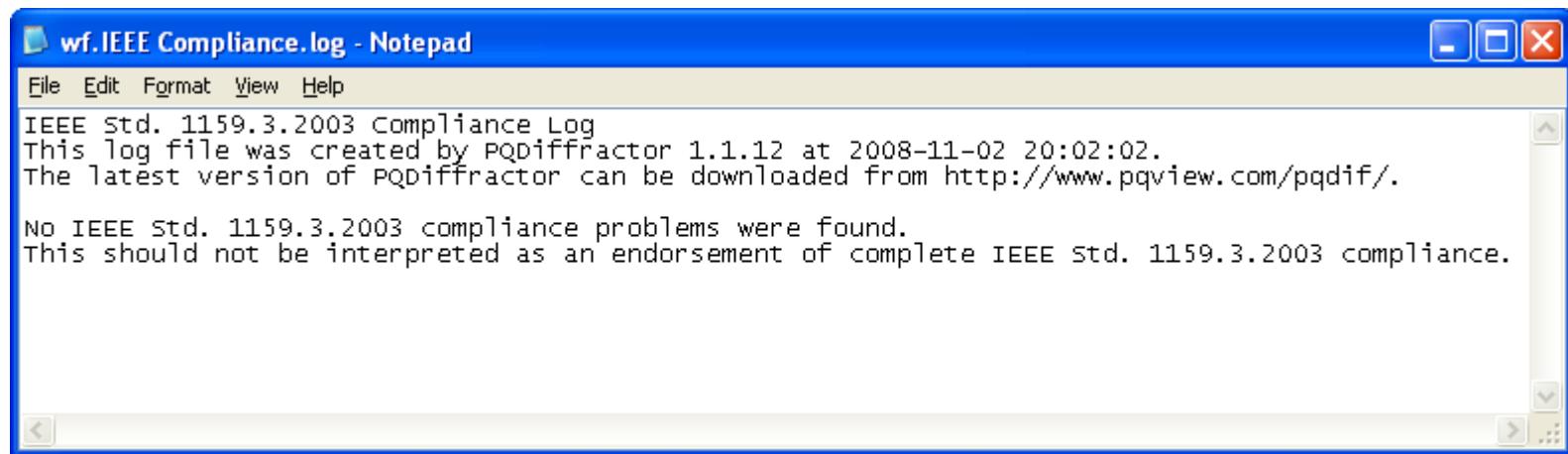
# Determine PQView Compatibility

- Determine numerous PQView compatibility problems
  - Mark the check box menu option under **Tools | Log PQView Compatibility** when reading a file.
  - Make sure that you have write access to the folder where the PQDIF file is located in order to allow a LOG text file to be created.



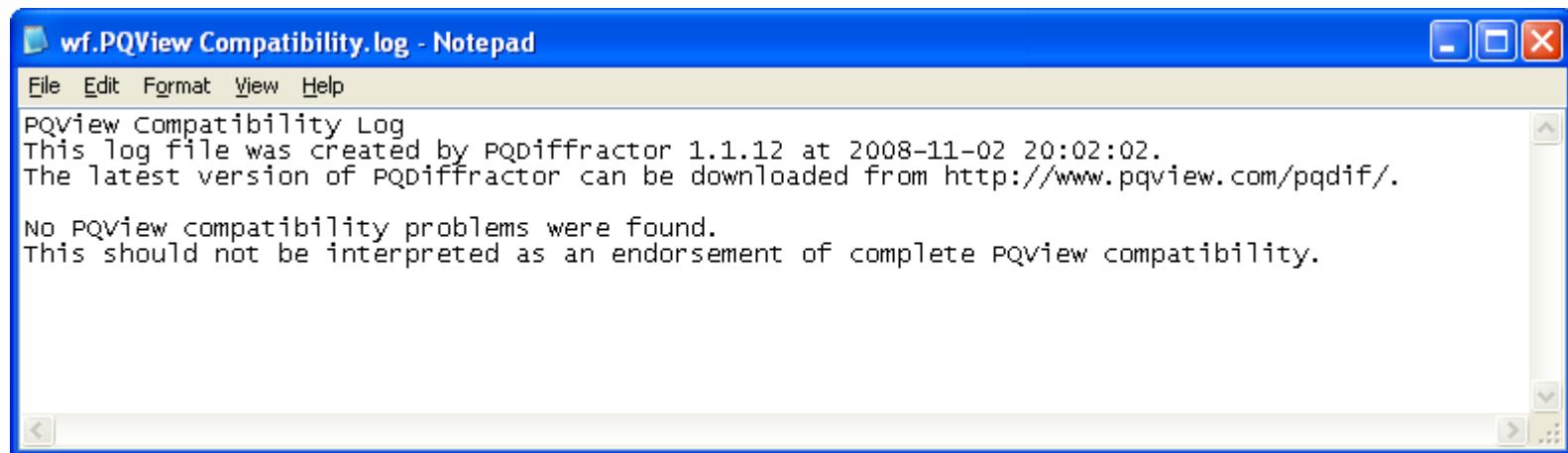
# More PQDiffractor Tool Strip Commands

- Opens the IEEE 1159.3 Compliance Log Text file if created by using the menu command **Tools | Log IEEE Compliance** when the file was read.



# More PQDiffractor Tool Strip Commands

- Opens the IEEE PQView Compatibility Log Text file if created by using the menu command **Tools | Log PQView Compatibility** when the file was read.



# Associate PQD Files with PQDiffraction

- When PQDiffraction opens a PQDIF file, if the PQD file extension is not associated with a program already, then PQD files will become associated with PQDiffraction automatically.
  - This will allow you to double-click on a PQD file in Windows Explorer to launch PQDiffraction automatically.
- If you want to manually associate PQD files with PQDiffraction, then use the menu command **Tools | Options**.

# Drag and Drop from Windows Explorer

- PQDiffractor supports OLE drag and drop, which means that you can drag one or more files from Windows Explorer onto an open PQDiffractor application window.
- Dragging multiple files is most useful when trying to determine IEEE compliance or PQView compatibility for more than one file.

# PQDiffraction Configuration File

- The user can edit a configuration file named PQDiffraction.ini in PQDiffraction application folder.
- The user can modify the numerous chart defaults:
  - desk color, back color, fore color, text color, shadow color
  - font
  - Bitmap gradient mode, quick style
  - Grid line control, grid style,
  - Subset colors 0 to 15

# PQDiffractor Availability and Installation

- PQDiffractor is developed by Electrotek Concepts. The latest installation program can be downloaded from the following PQView web sites:
  - [www.pqview.com](http://www.pqview.com)
  - [www.pqview.net](http://www.pqview.net)
- PQDiffractor is installed using an installation program named PQDiffractorSetup.exe.
- It has been tested with Microsoft Windows 2000, Windows XP, Windows 2003, and Windows Vista.
- For support or feedback, send an e-mail message to the following address:
  - [pqdif@electrotek.com](mailto:pqdif@electrotek.com)