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# **HWP modulator in Rome**

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# Polarization modulator

## QUBIC

Ground-Based

End of 2018

(T.D.)185 / (F.I.)400 mm

4K

Step

Type

Start

Hwp Diameter

Hwp Temperature

Rotation system

## LSPE

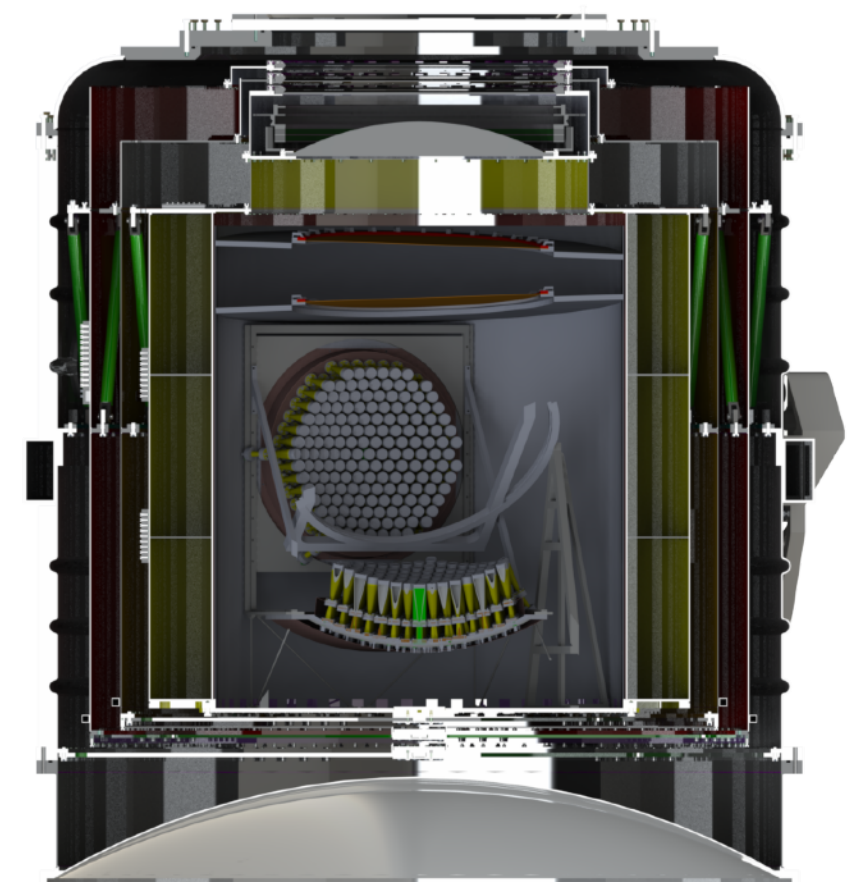
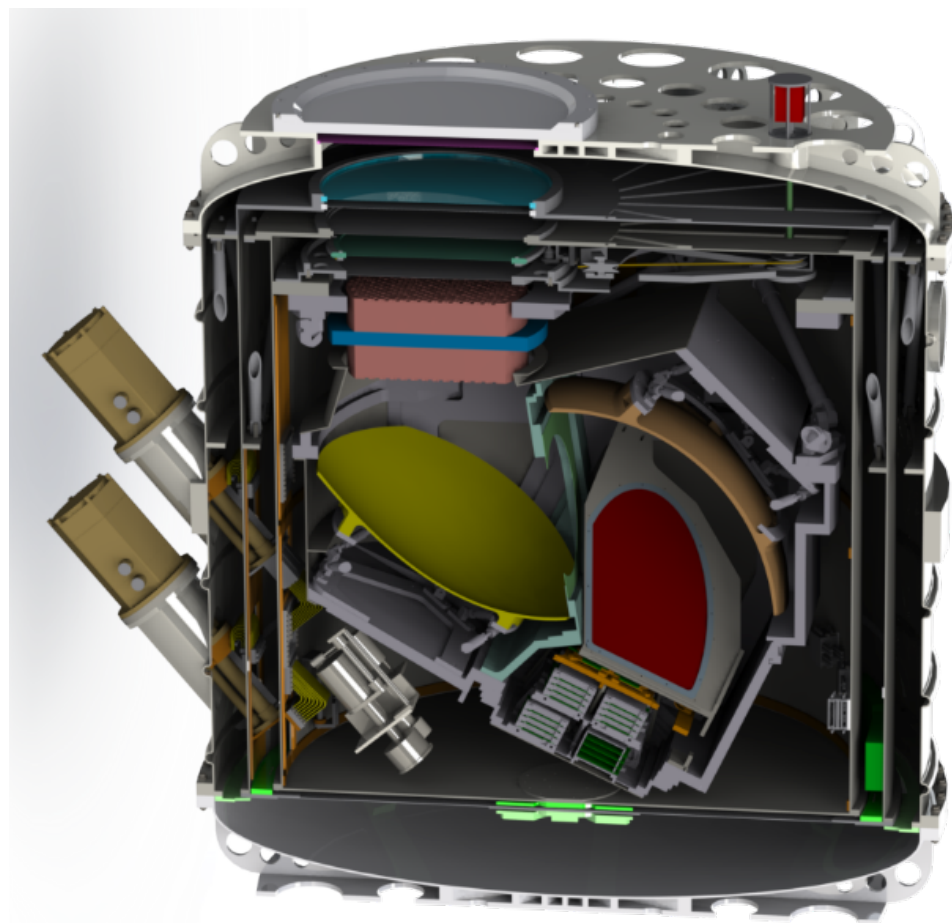
Balloon

2019

500mm

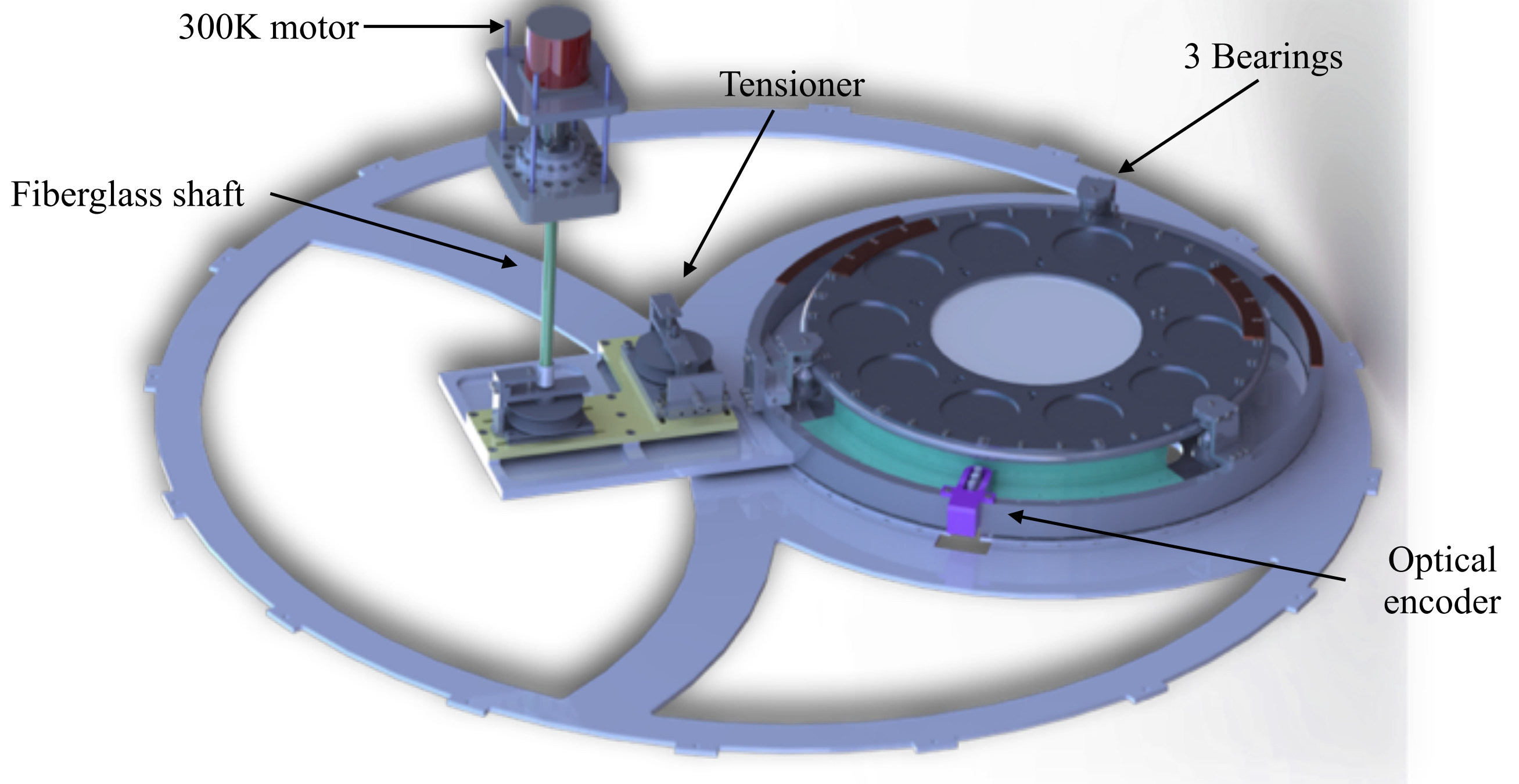
4K

Continuous



# QUBIC Hwp

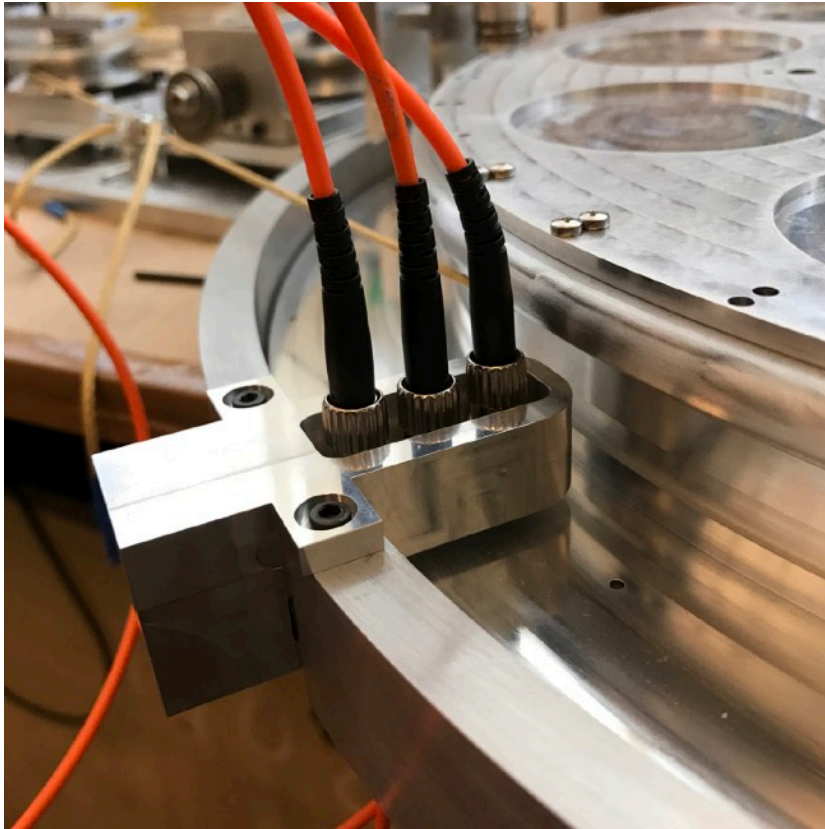
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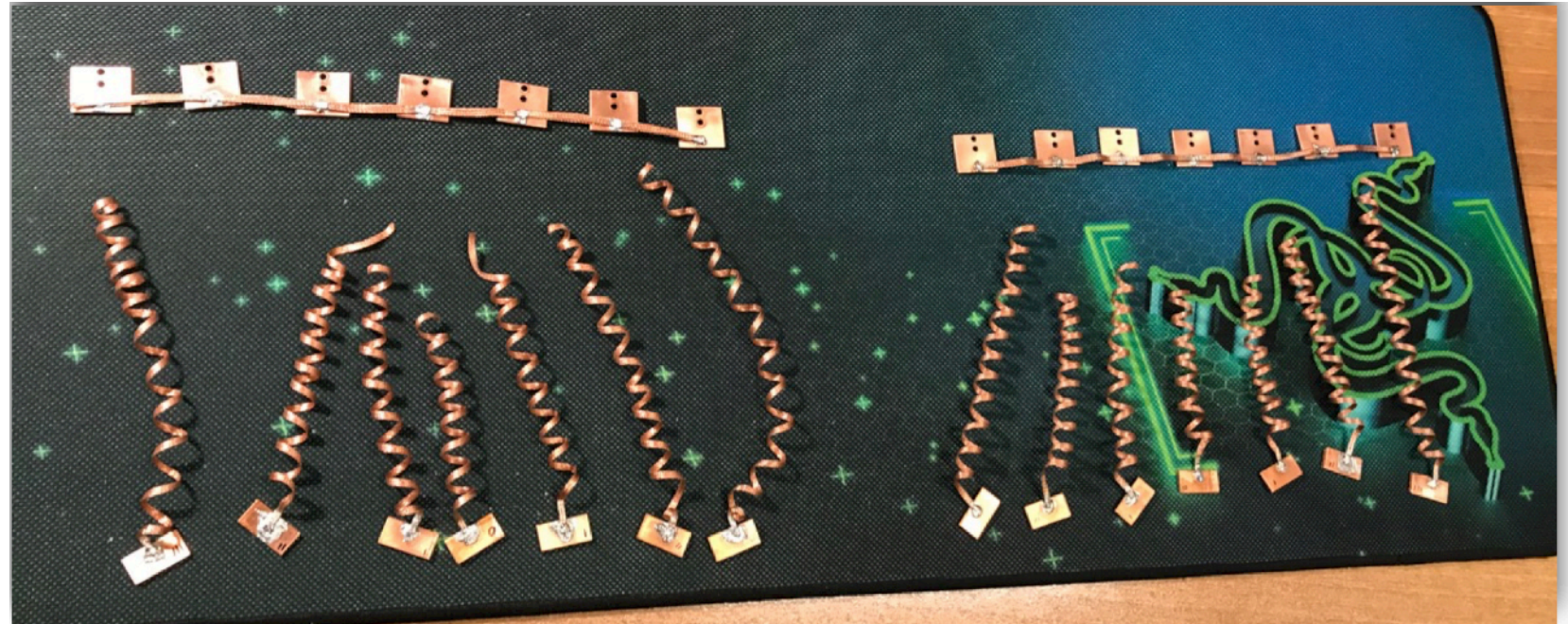


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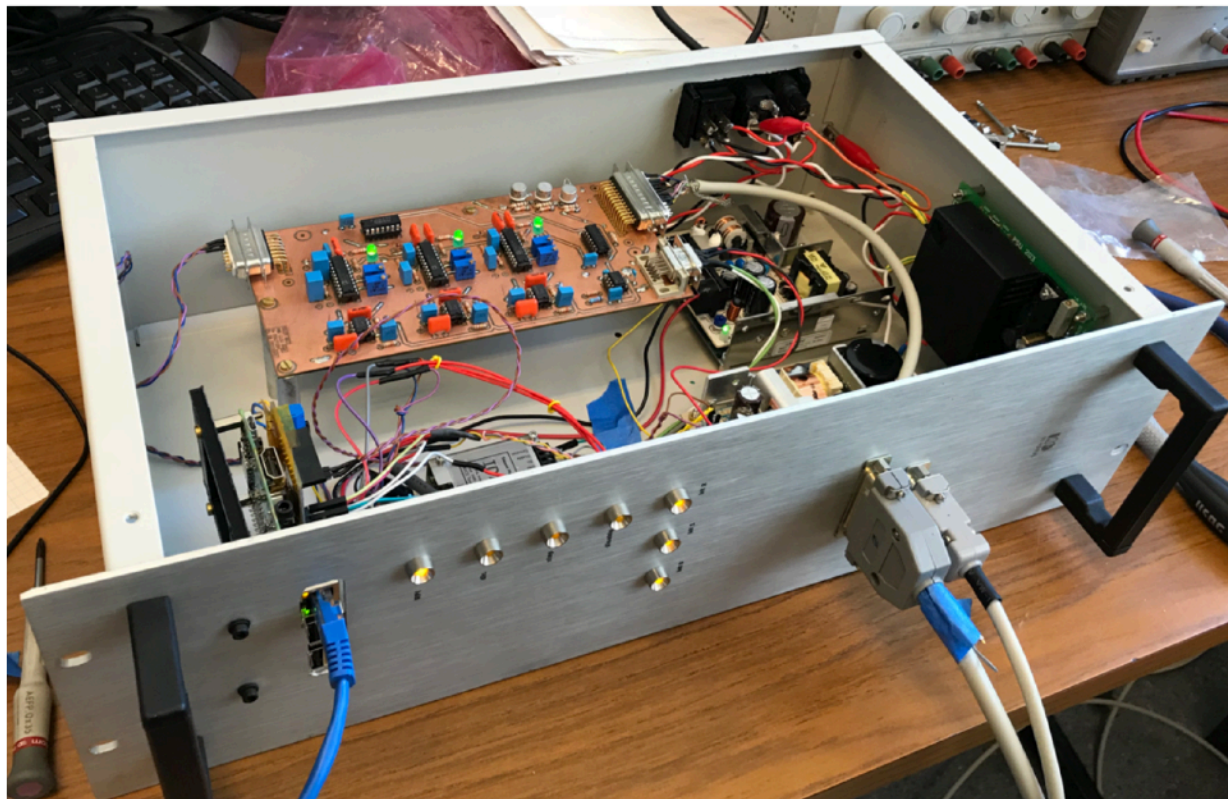
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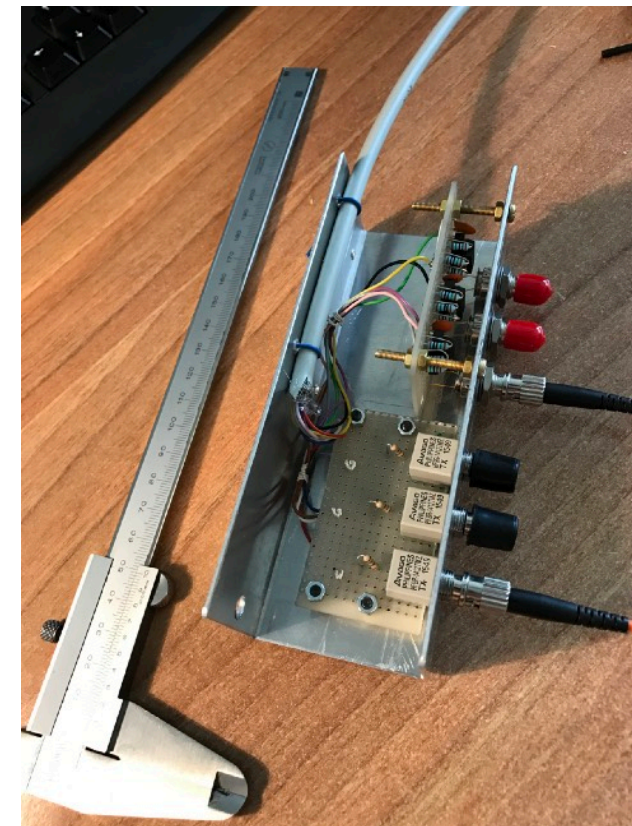
Elastic thermalization kit



External control box

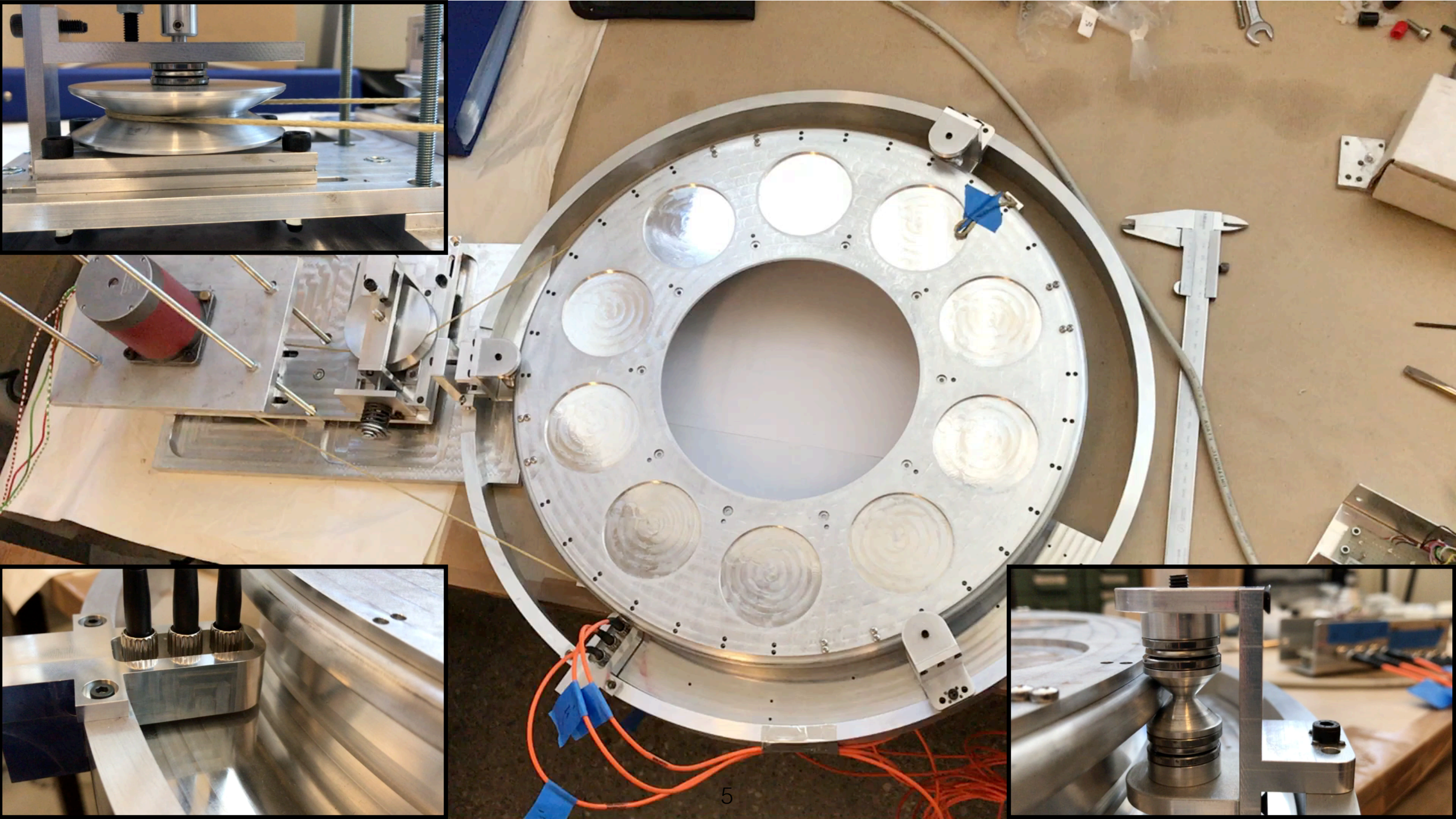


Transmitters and receivers box





# QUBIC Hwp





# Superconducting Magnetic Bearing



Permanent  
magnet ring

High Temperature  
Superconductors

## Pros

- NO stick-slip friction
- NO extra-effort to cool HTSs
- Passive stable levitation
- Low Coefficient of friction
- Continuous rotation (0-10Hz)

## Cons

- Variable magnetic field
- Clamp mechanism at 4K

*S. Hanany et al., IEEE Trans.Appl.Supercond. 13 (2003) 2128-2133*



# SMB prototype

REVIEW OF SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS **88**, 105102 (2017)

## A large-diameter hollow-shaft cryogenic motor based on a superconducting magnetic bearing for millimeter-wave polarimetry

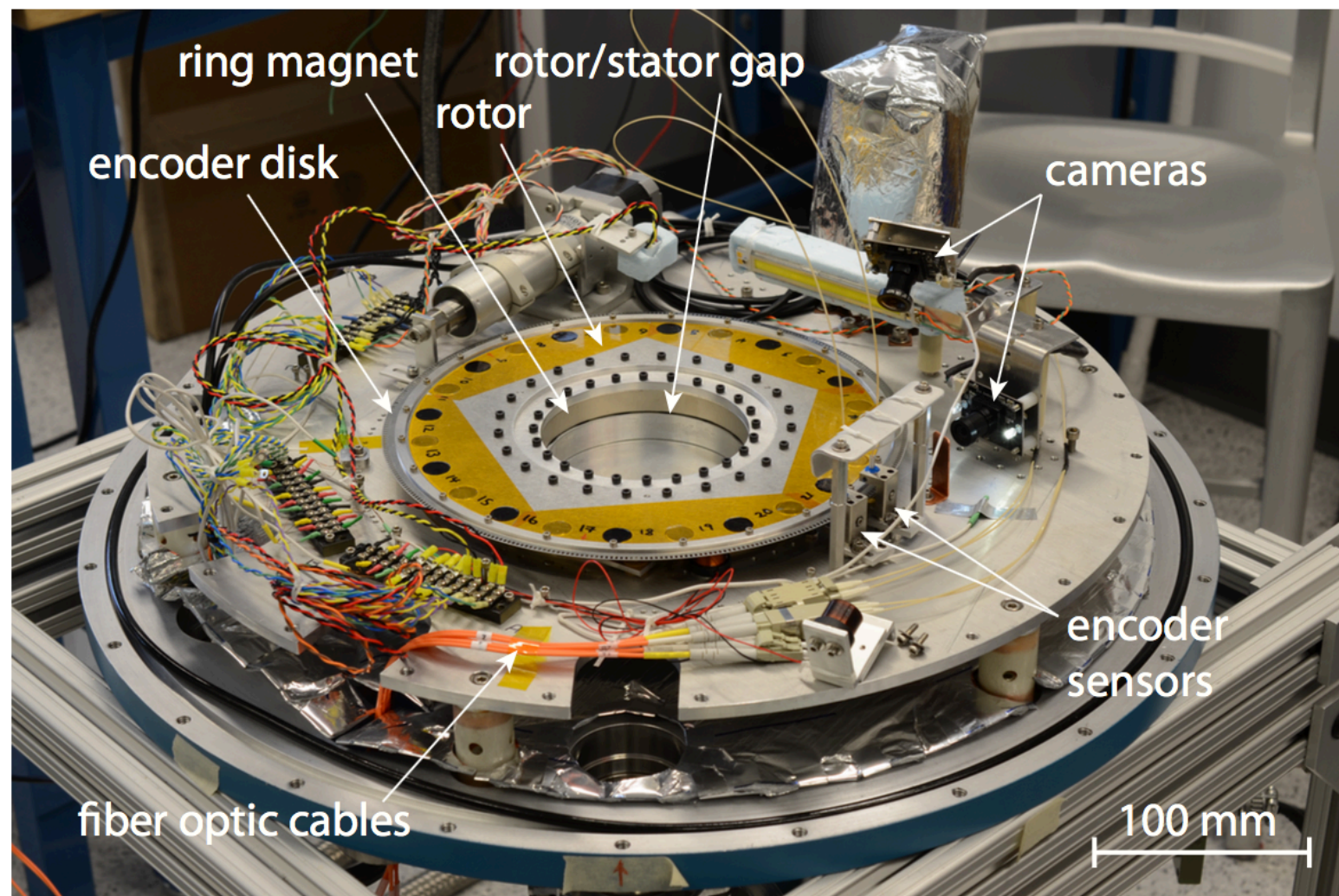
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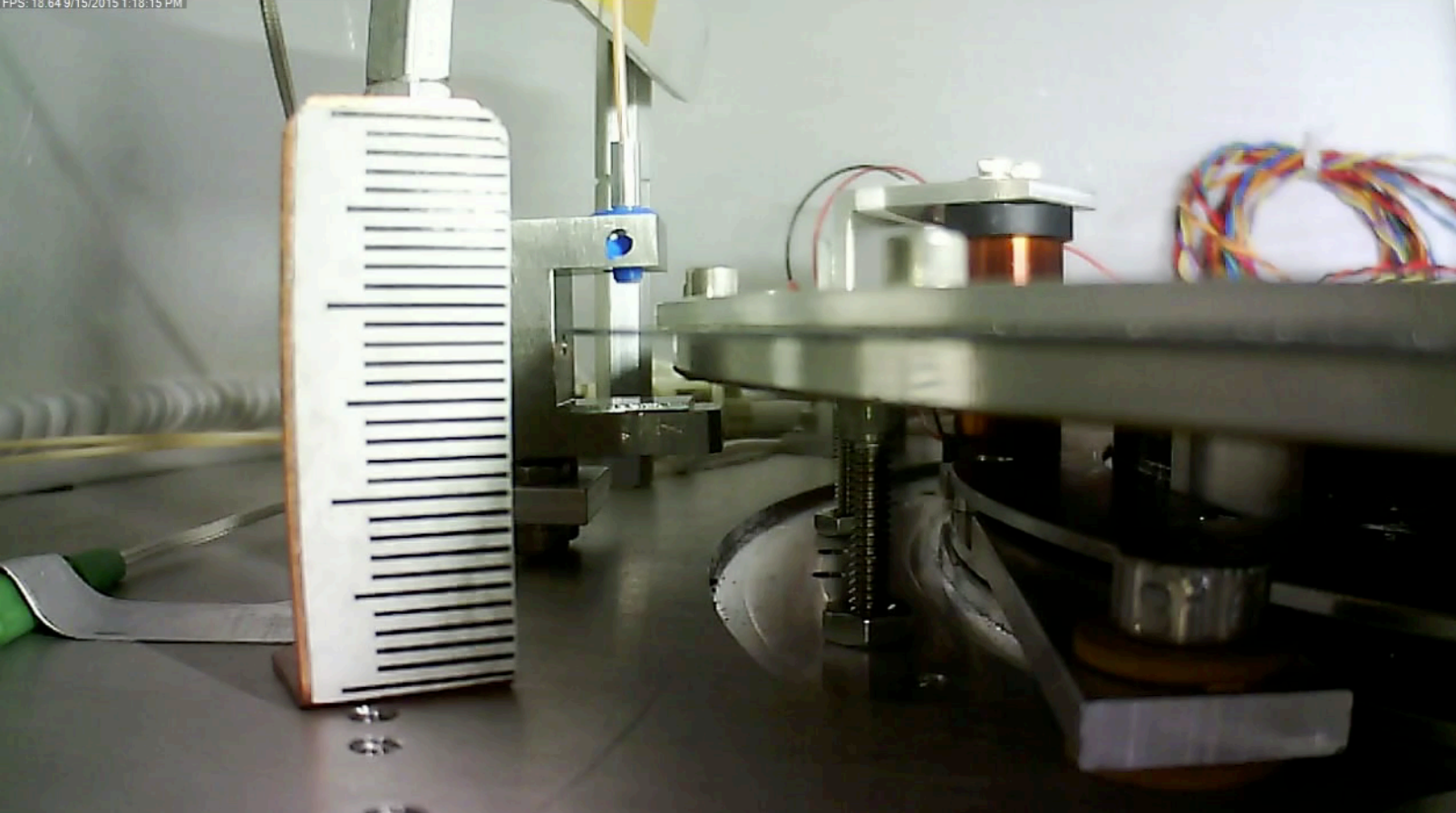
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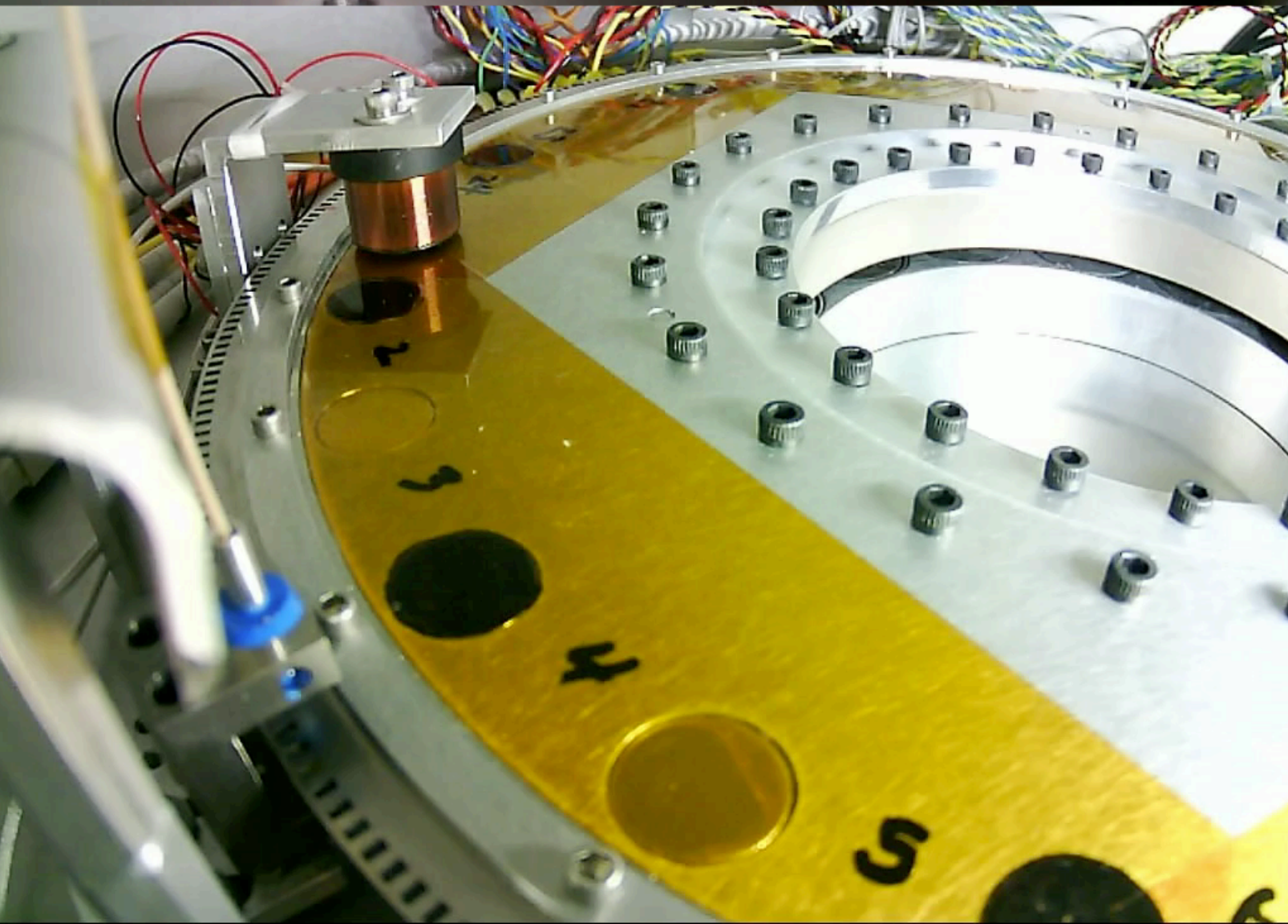
# SMB Prototype

$T \sim 60\text{K}$

Encoder diameter 250mm

Frequency 0-10Hz

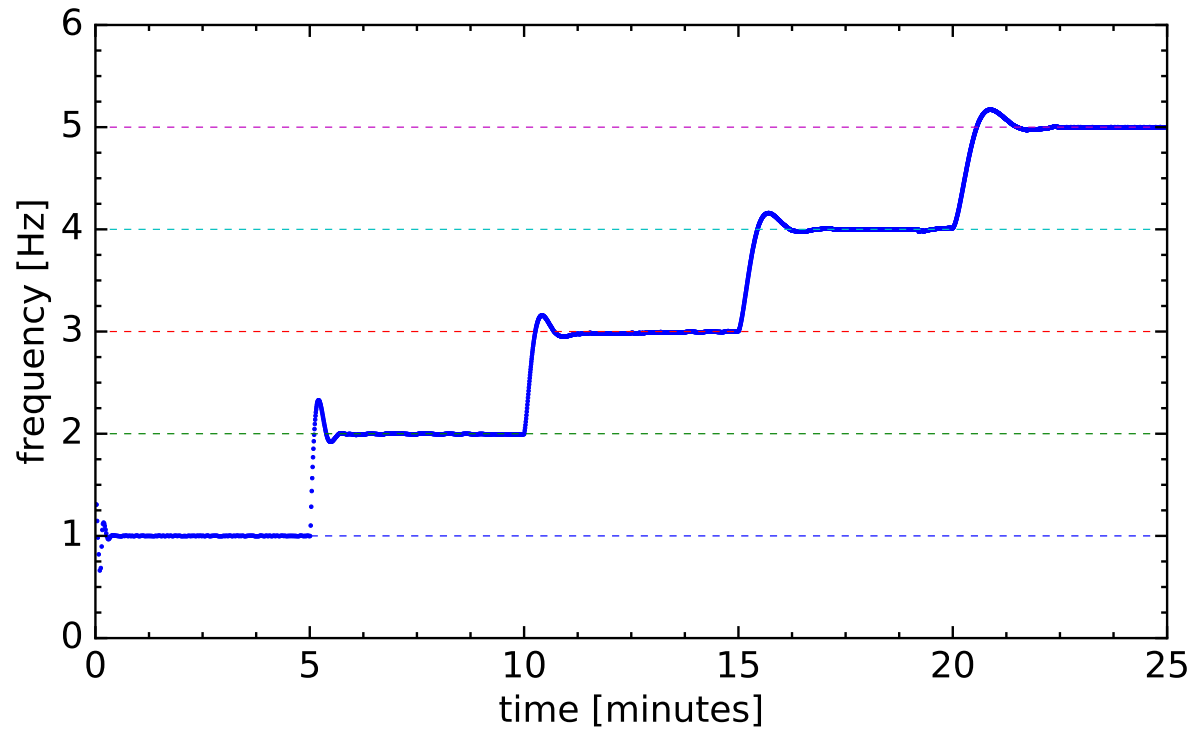
Angular position uncertainty  
 $<0.6''$



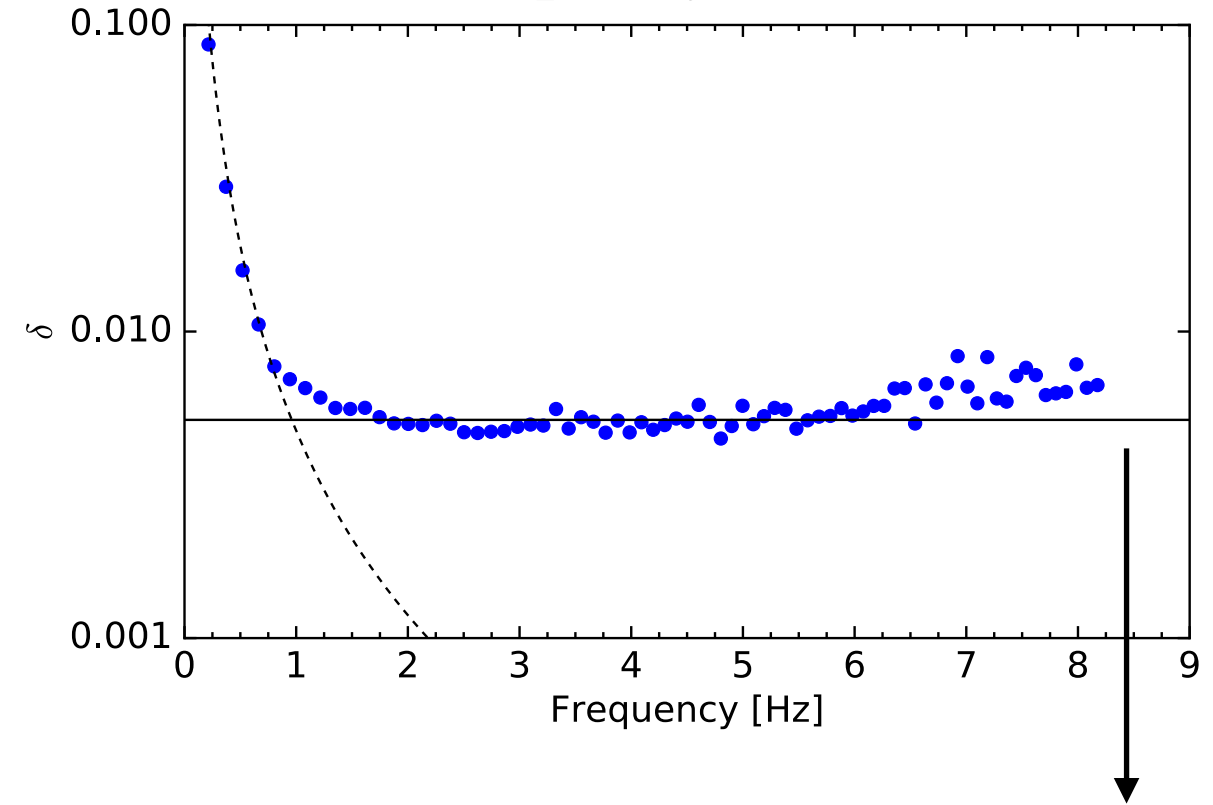


# SMB prototype

## PID

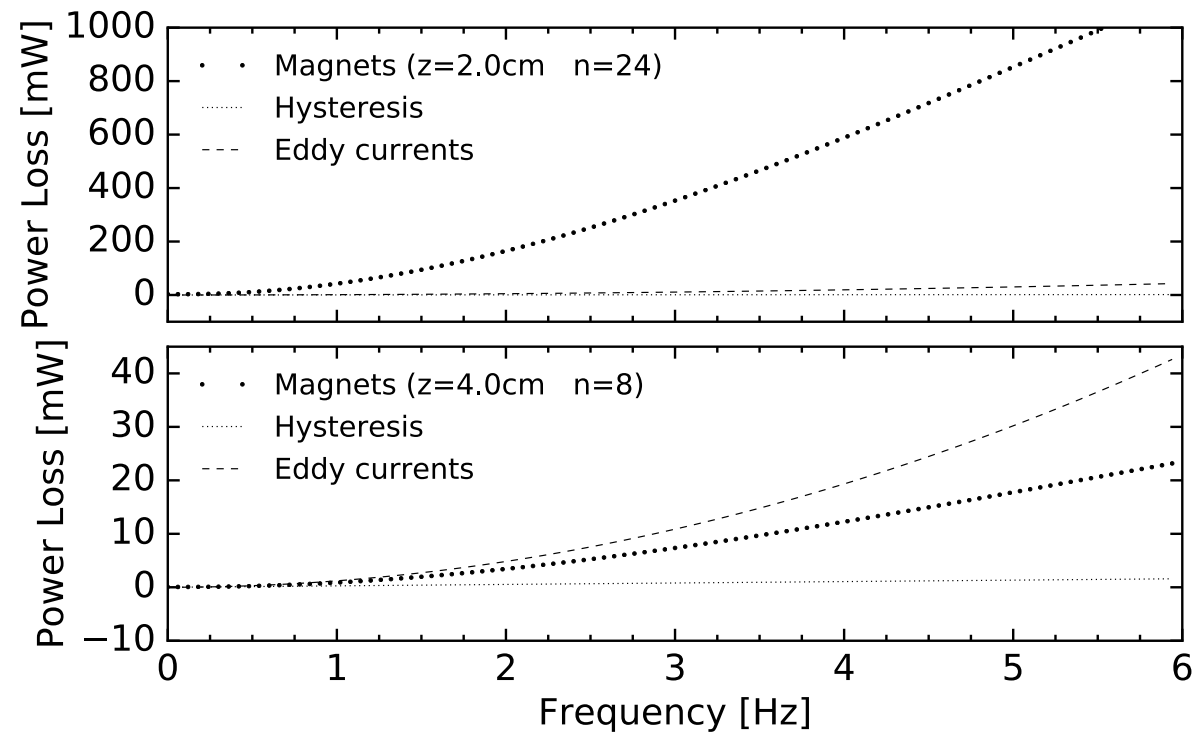


## Frequency Variation



$$\Delta\theta_{max} = 0.15 \text{ deg}$$

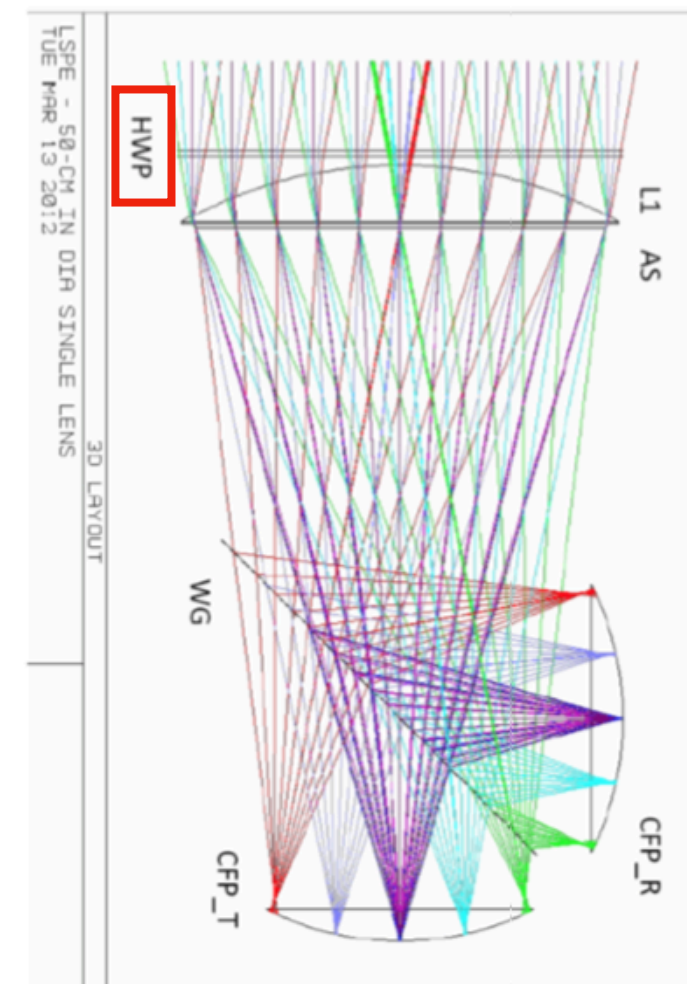
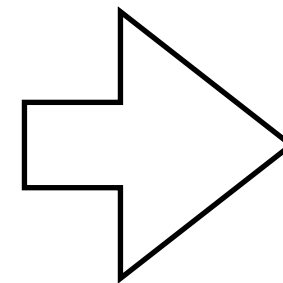
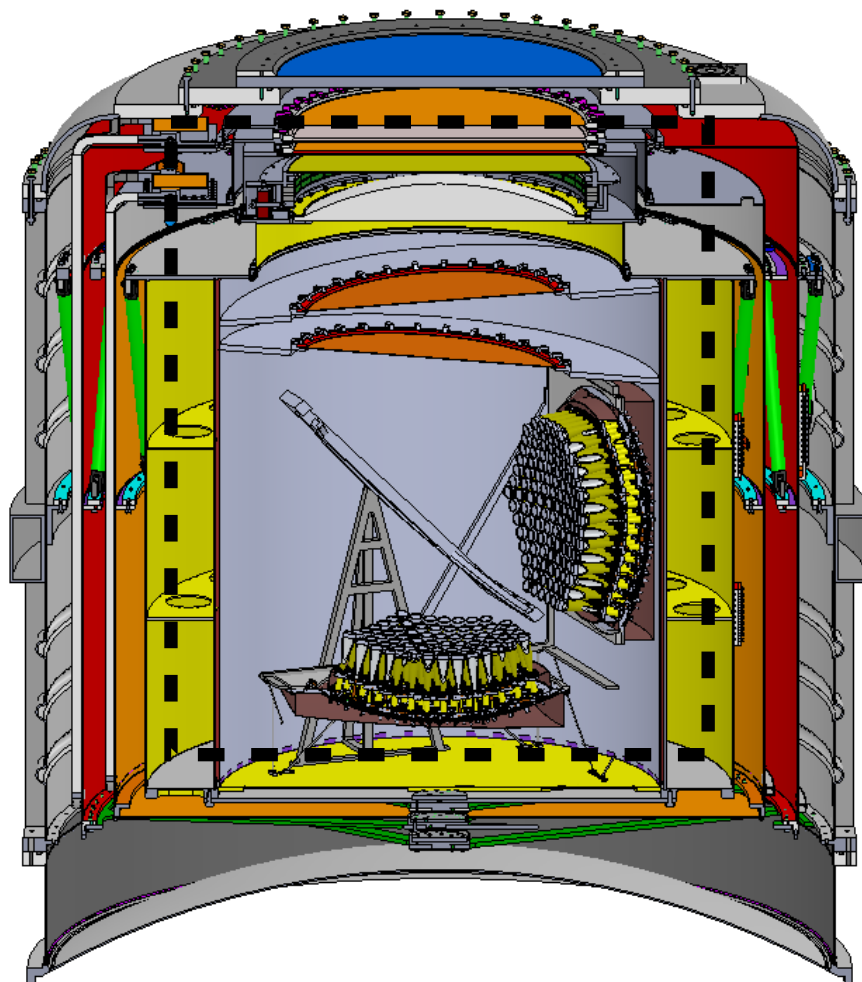
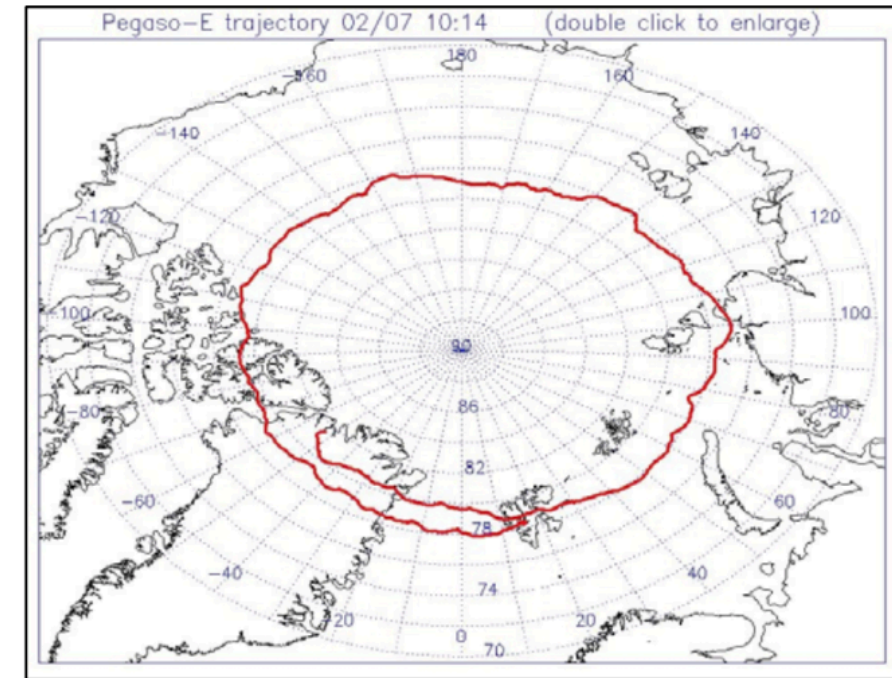
## Power Loss



# LSPE - SWIPE

The balloon will be launched from the Longyearbyen airport in Svalbard Islands in 2019. A demonstration flight was performed in 2011 shows the path of the test balloon to test the stratospheric circulation near the North Pole.

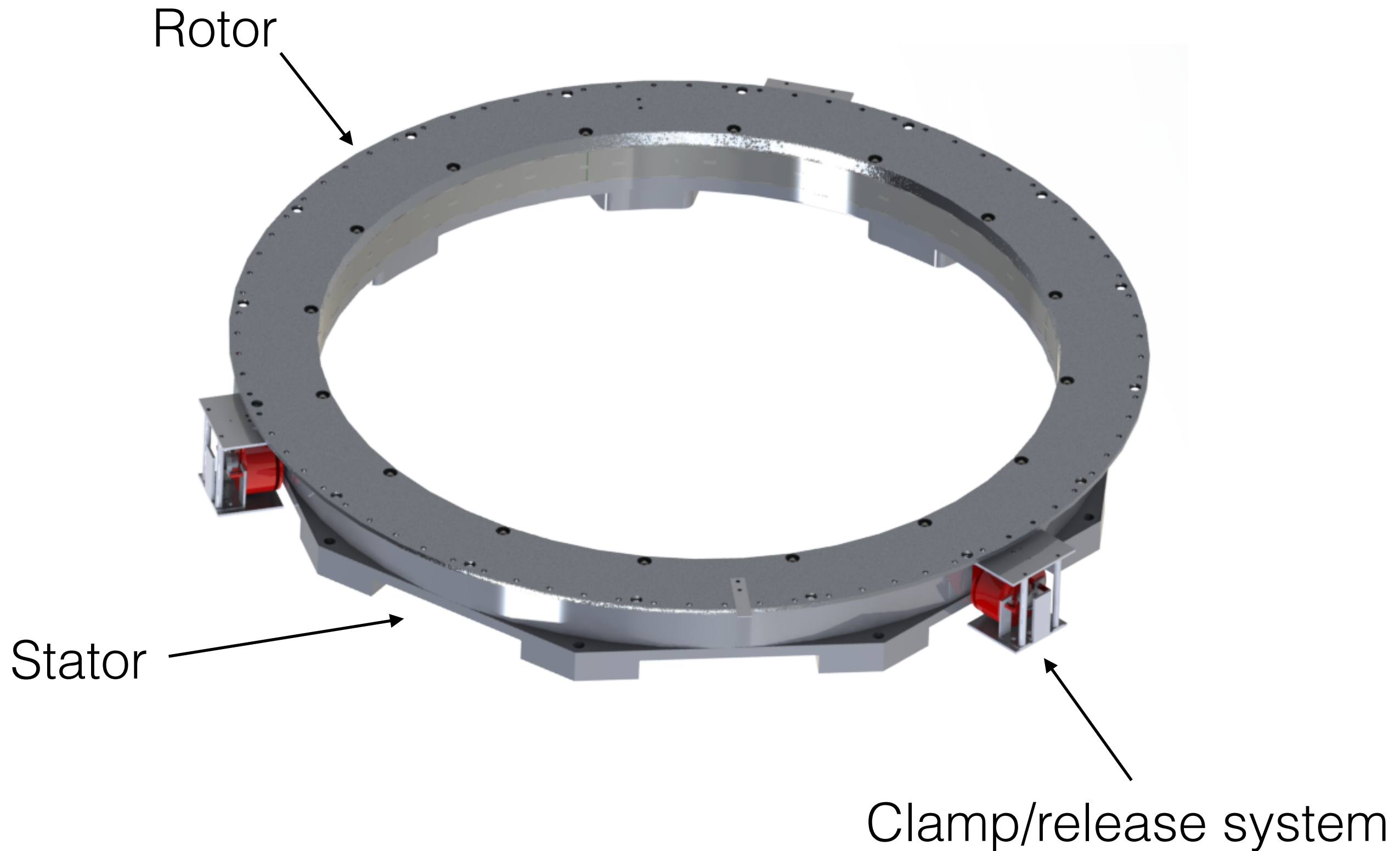
Target  $r = 0.03$





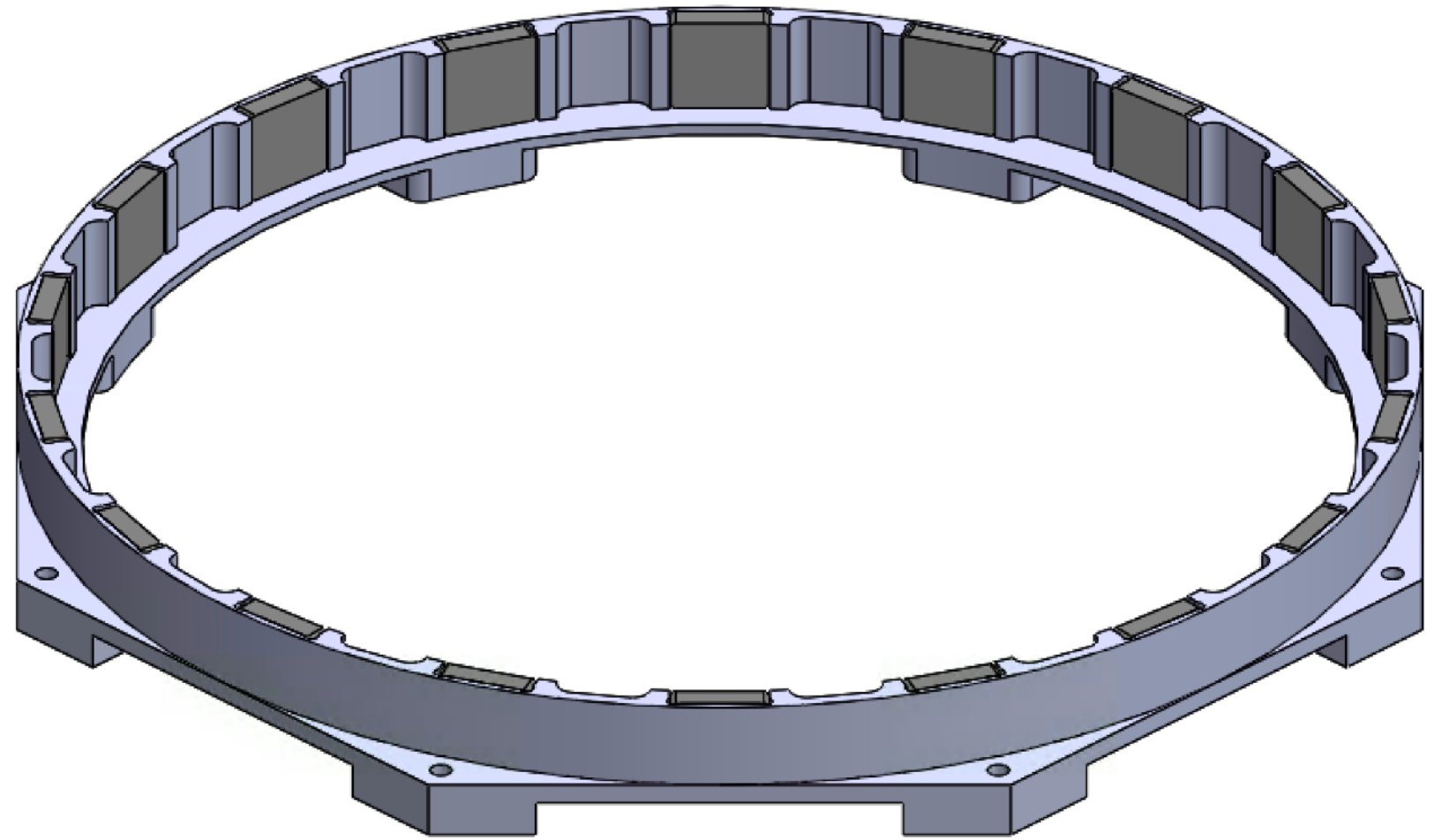
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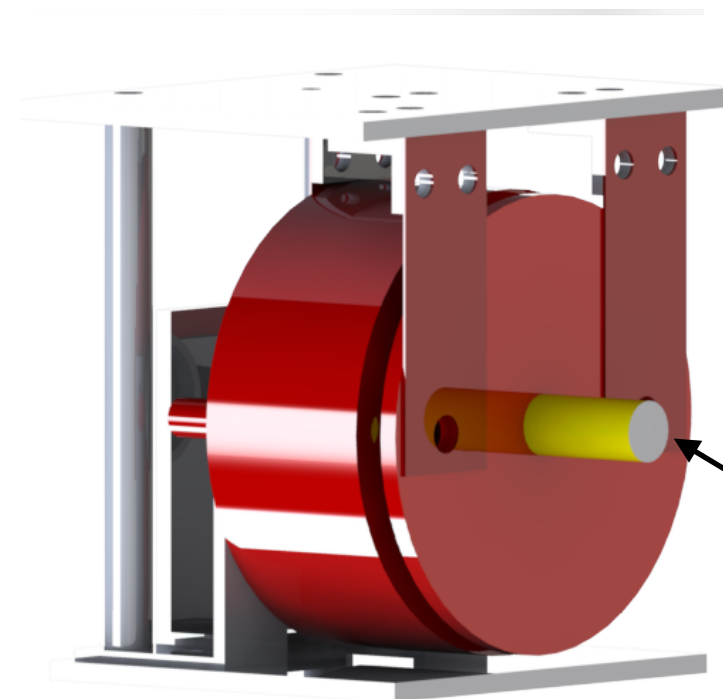
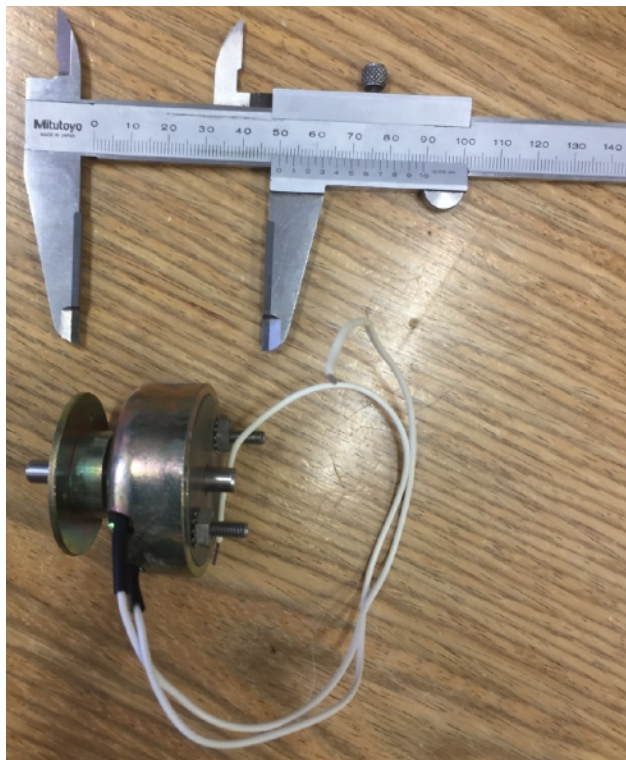


# SWIPE Hwp - Stator

18 high temperature  
superconductor  
bulks



Linear actuator produced  
by Ledex Solenoids

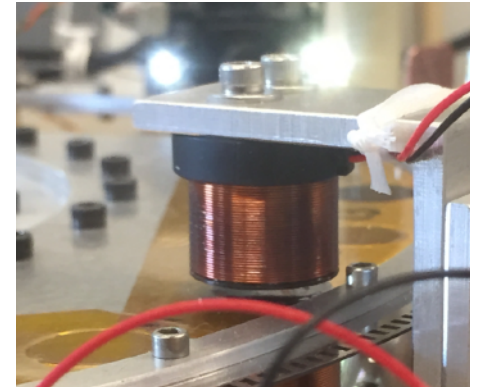


Shaft coupled with  
a groove in the rotor

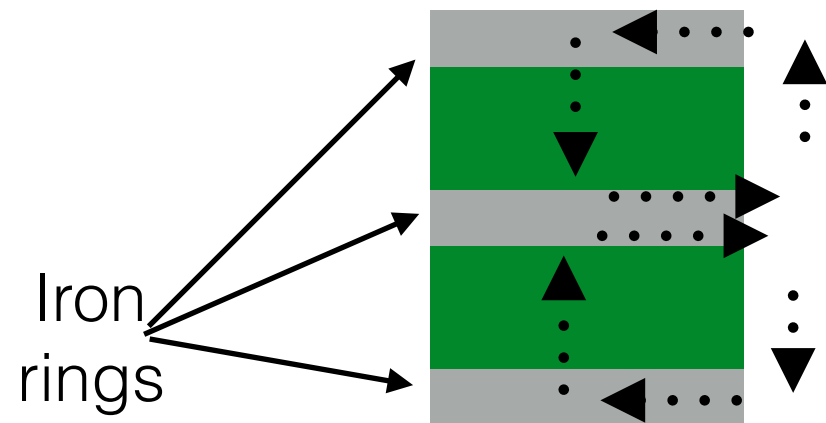
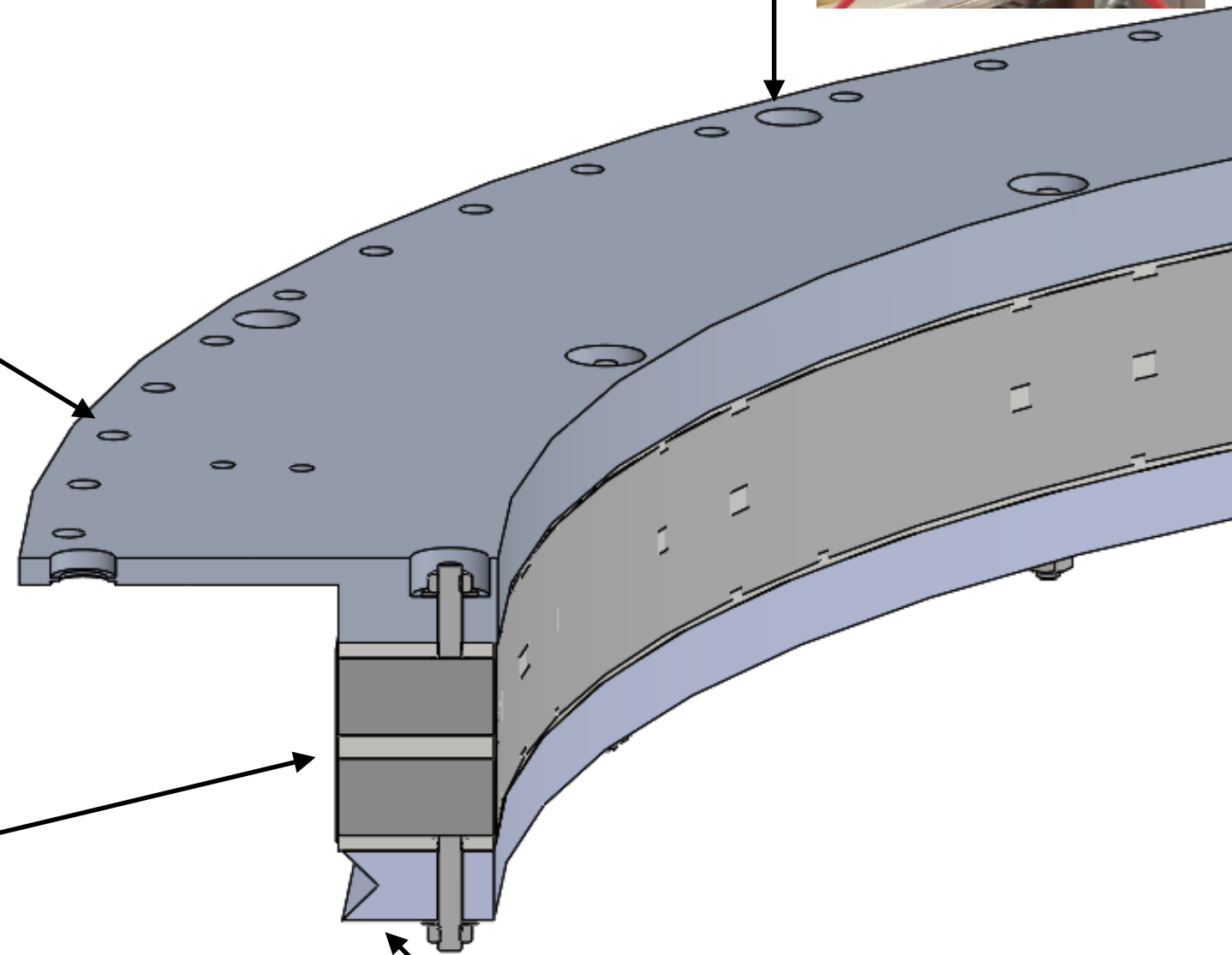
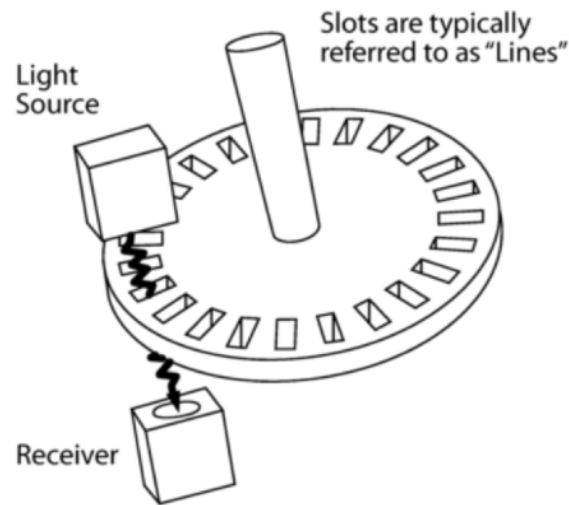


# SWIPE Hwp - Rotor

32 coils paired with  
8 small permanent  
Samarium magnets



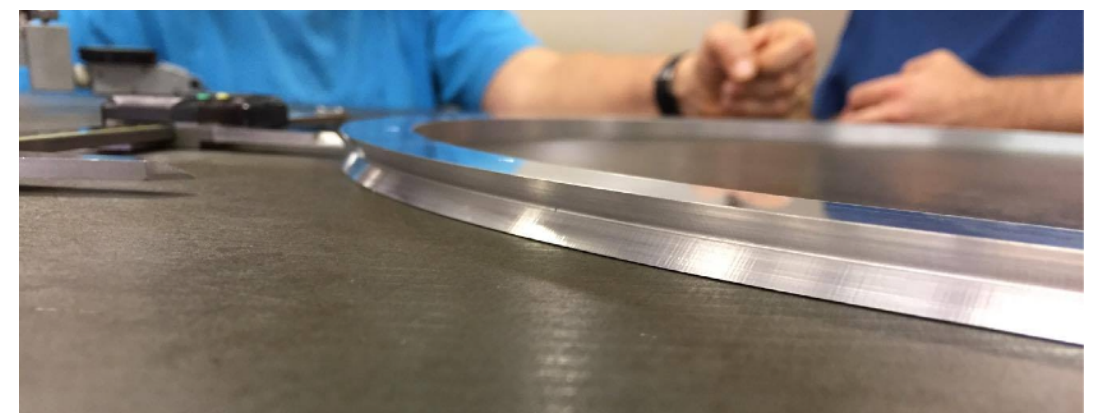
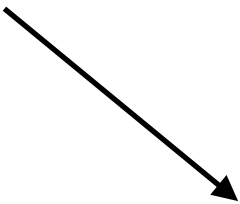
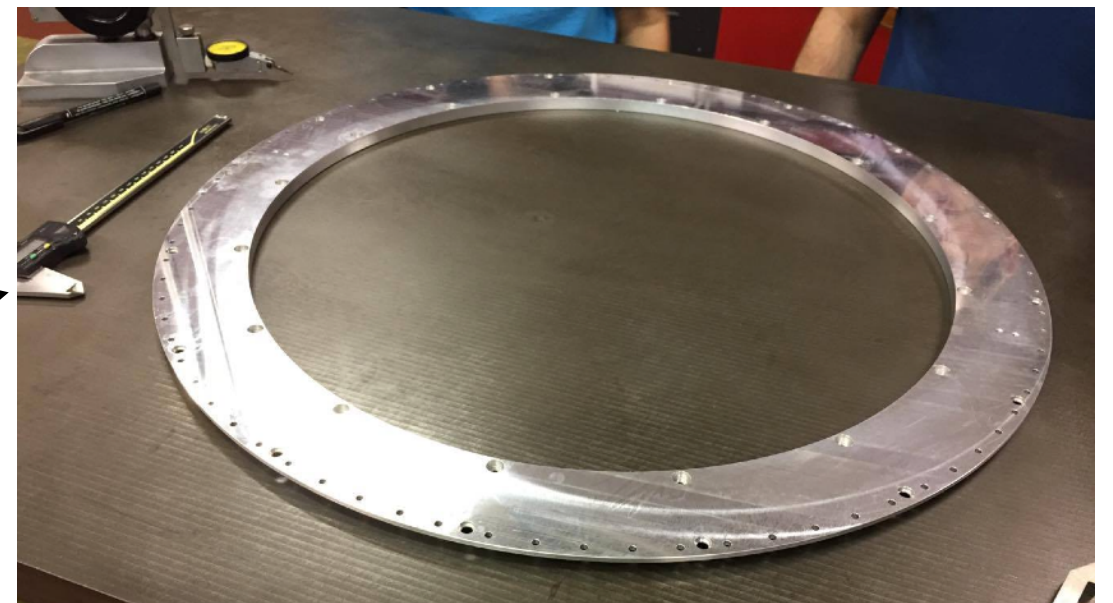
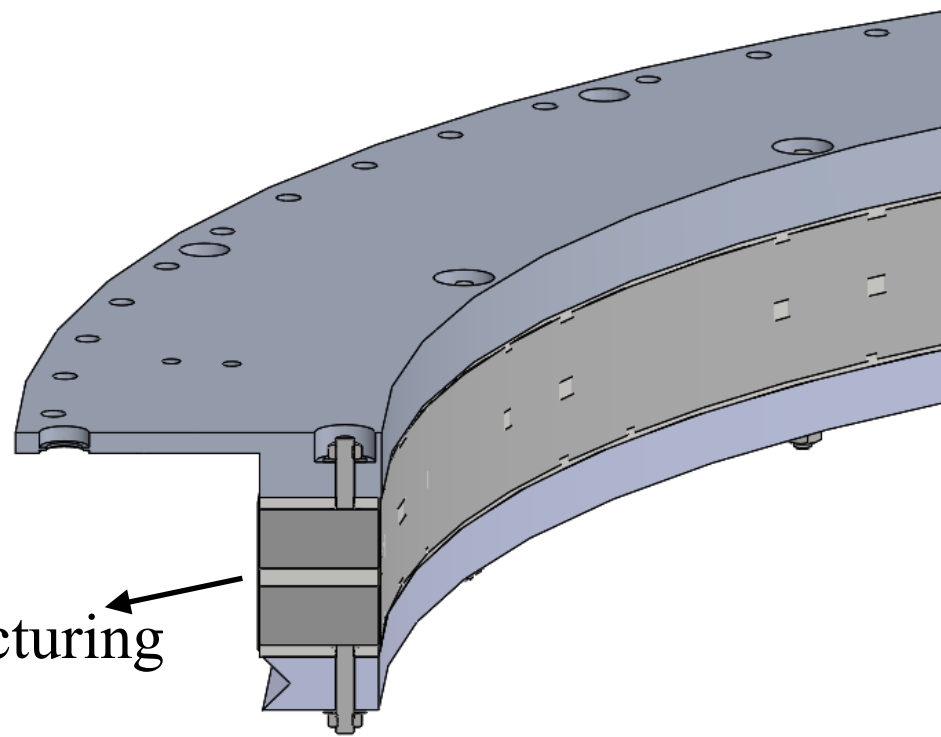
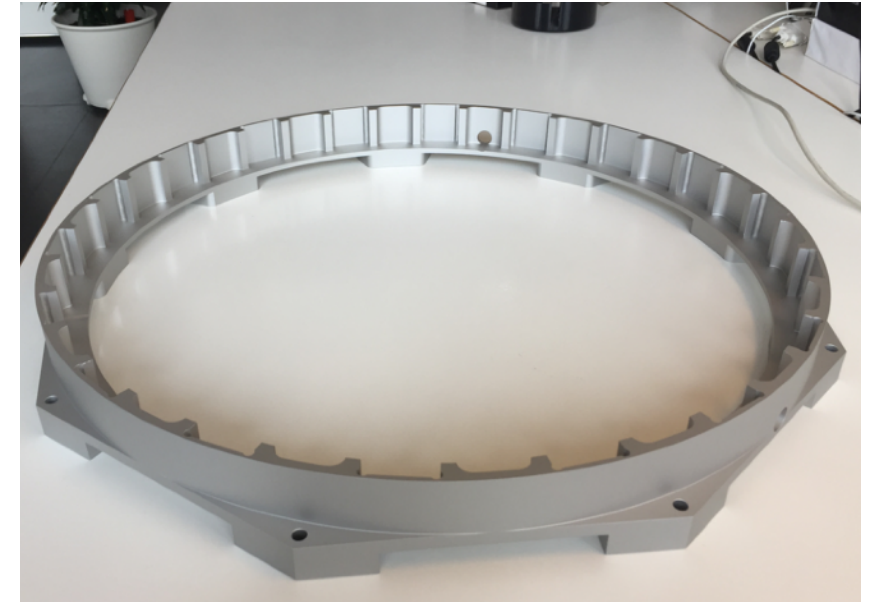
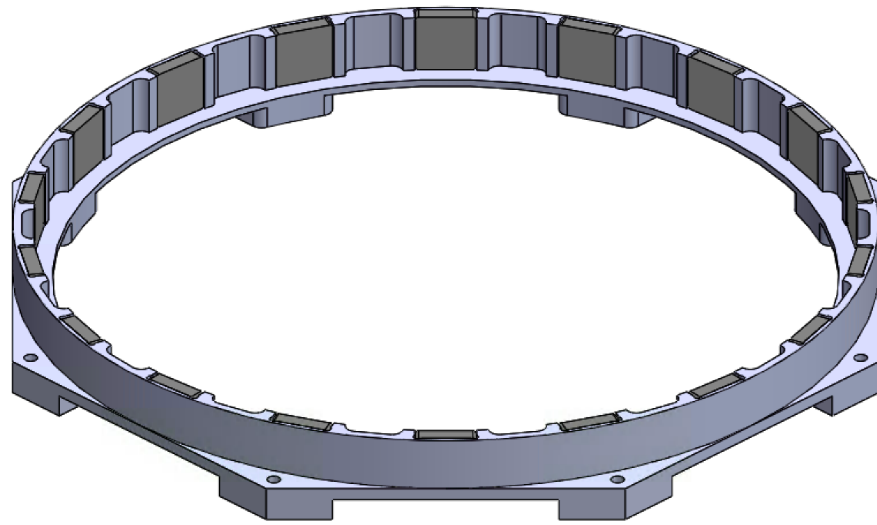
80 holes  
( $\Delta\theta=4.5^\circ$ )



Groove ring to hold the rotor



# SWIPE Hwp - Work in progress



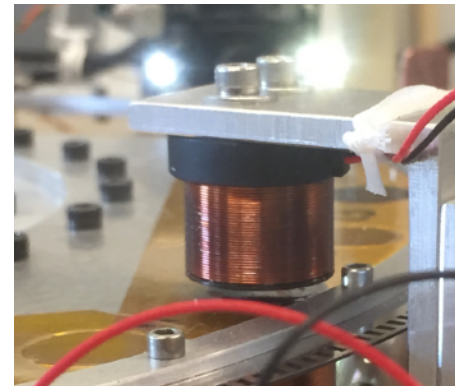
In manufacturing



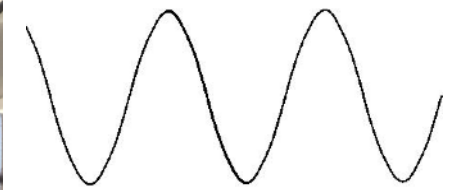
# HWP Heating

During operations the HWP rotates contactless, so the only way to exchange heat is the radiation!

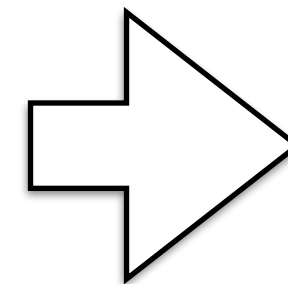
Variable magnetic field in each coil used to move the rotor dissipates power directly on it.



$$B(t) = B_0 \cos(\omega t)$$



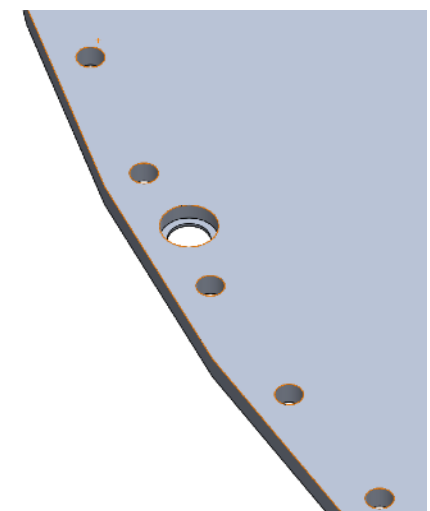
$$P = \frac{V^2}{R} \rightarrow \begin{cases} V = -\frac{d\Phi(B)}{dt} \propto \omega B a^2 \\ R = \rho \frac{h}{S} \end{cases}$$



$$P \sim 0,20 \text{ mW}$$

Load power upper limit

At the same radius of magnets there are 80 holes of relative encoder. They should reduce the typical length of eddy currents (like lamination).



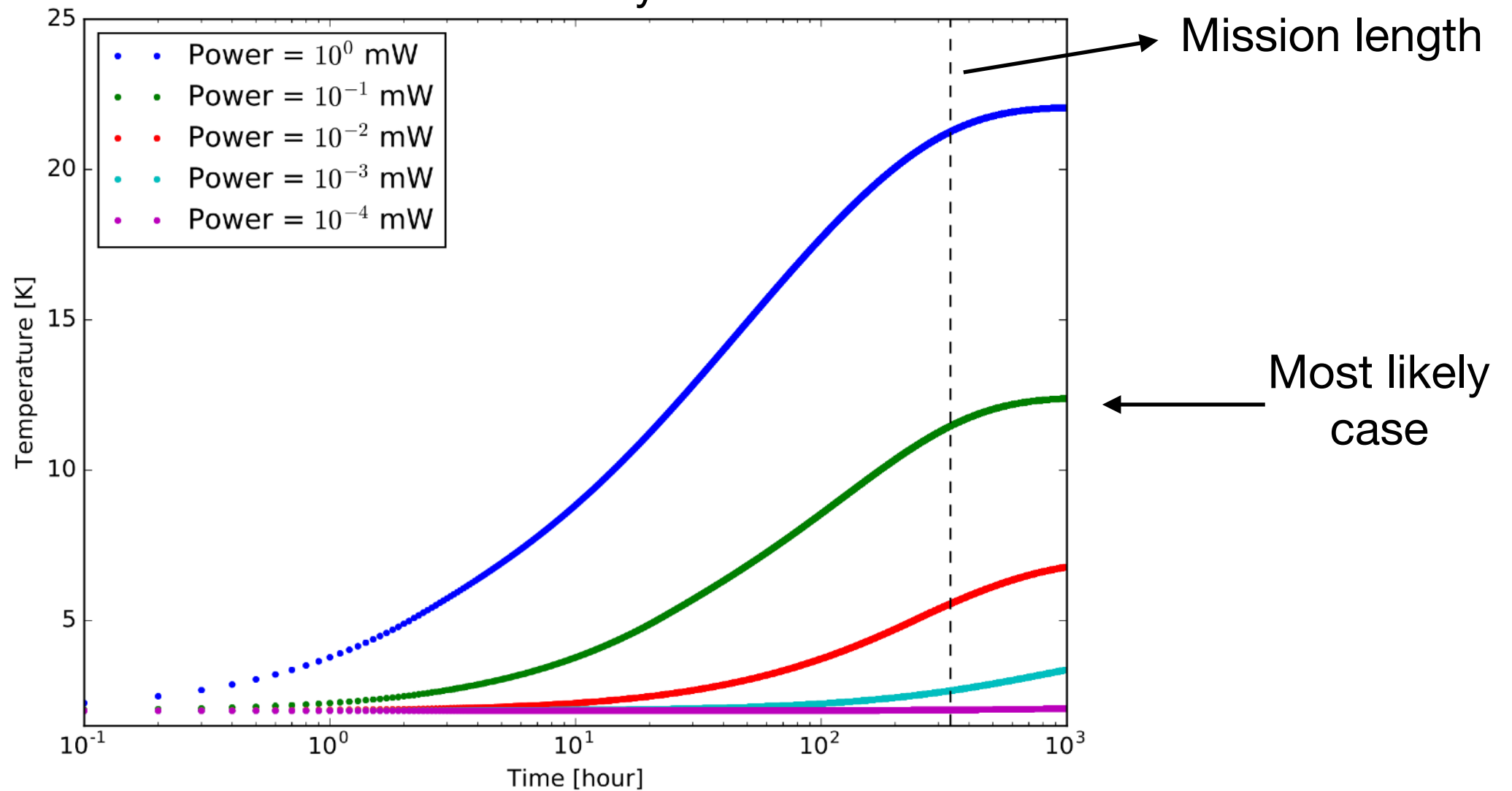


# HWP Heating

The main parameters are the emissivity of materials and the load power

Aluminum emissivity: 0.01

HWP emissivity: 0.01



- The drift in temperature can produce slight variations of the properties of the HWP and of its emission.
- However, this drift is ultra-slow, compared to the sky scan of the experiment
- Modern methods of polarized map-making easily remove ultra-slow drifts like this.

# Conclusions

- QUBIC rotation system has already tested successfully at room temperature and will be tested at 4K very soon
- Starting from SMB prototype test, the SWIPE polarization modulator was designed and optimized
- The missing parts of SWIPE polarisation modulator will be delivered before the end of 2017, tests will start in 2018
- Heating:  $\sim 10-15\text{K}$  is a reasonable value, the slow temperature drift is unpleasant but easily removable in the data analysis
- We plan to use the experience gained with LSPE-SWIPE in the preparation of the HWP rotator for the HFT on LiteBIRD





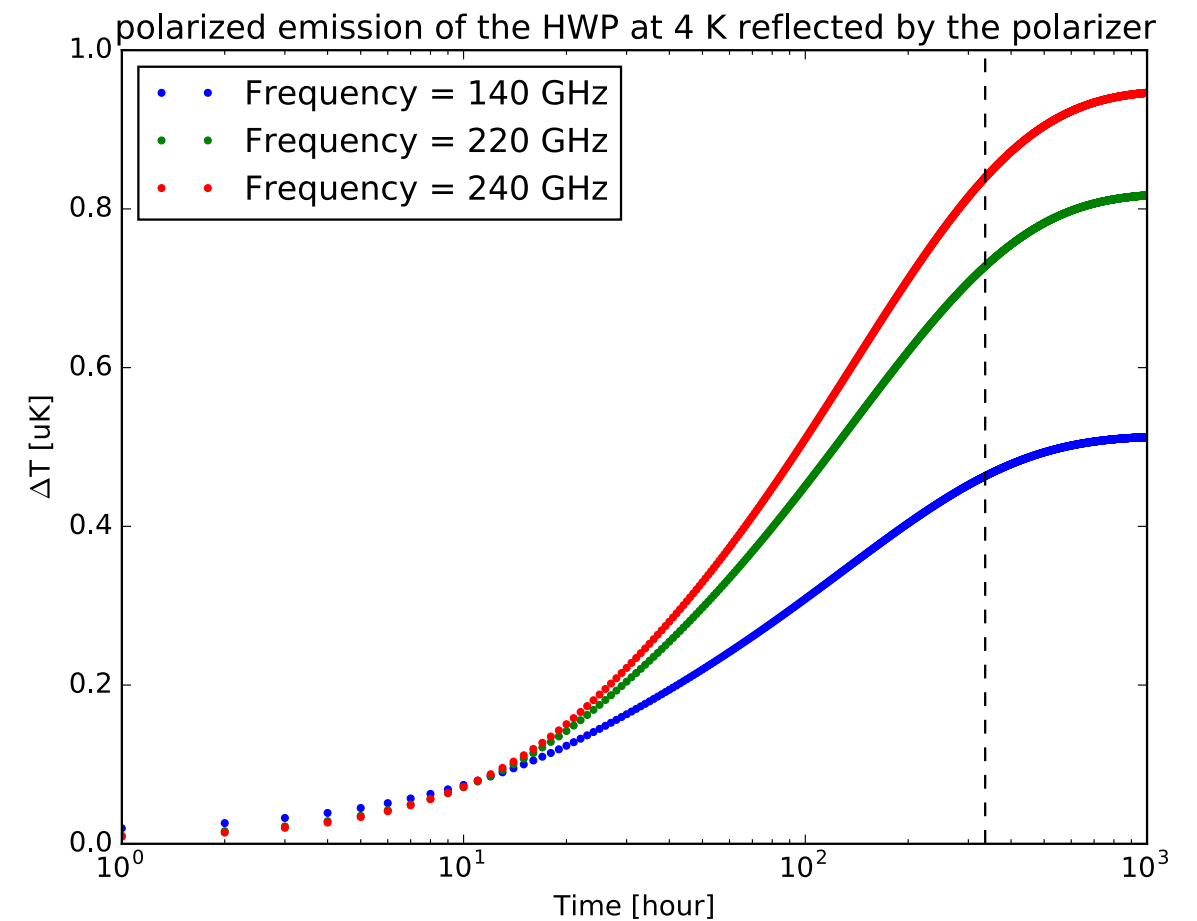
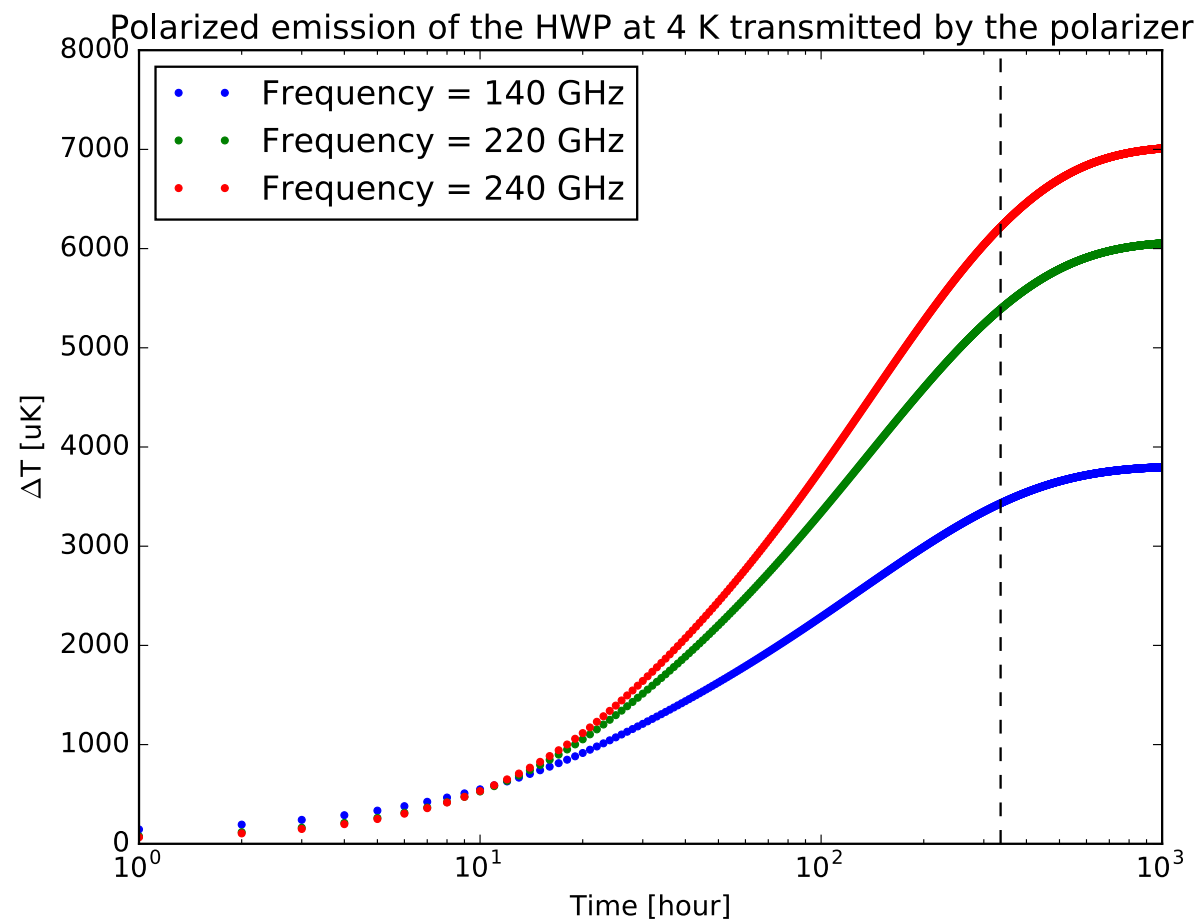
# **Backup Slides**



# Spurious signals (SWIPE)

There are lots of spurious signals which contribute to the total intensities on the detectors:

- Radiative background at 2.7 K (2f)
- Polarized emission of the polarizer at 2.5 K reflected by the HWP (2f)  $\rightarrow$  (1.1 0.7 0.6)  $\mu$ K
- Polarized emission of the HWP at 4 K transmitted by the polarizer (2f)
- Polarized emission of the HWP at 4 K reflected by the polarizer (4f)



# Friction

3 different contributions:

- **Hysteris**

The variation of the magnetic field of the ring magnet drags flux through the type II superconductor as the rotor spins, creating hysteresis loss.

$$F_{Hy} \propto \frac{\Delta B^3}{J_c}$$

- **Eddy currents**

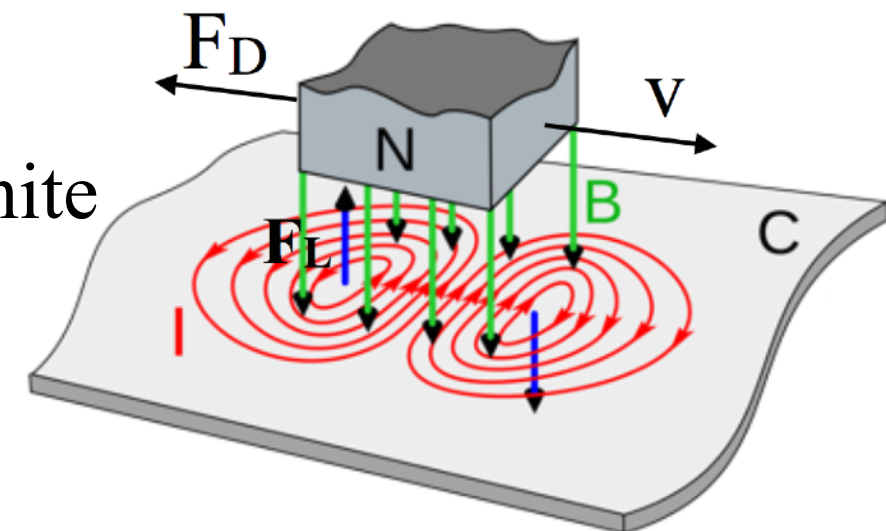
A time varying magnetic field  $\Delta B$  dissipates as Joule heat in the surrounding conductor.

$$F_{EC} \propto \sigma (\Delta B)^2 f$$

- **Magnets**

A magnet moving with constant velocity above an infinite conducting plate, will experience magnetic lift and drag forces from the eddy currents induced in the plate.

$$F_D = \frac{3n\mu_0 m^2}{32\pi z_0^4} \frac{w}{v} \left( 1 - \frac{w}{\sqrt{v^2 + w^2}} \right) \quad w = \frac{2}{\mu_0 t \sigma}$$



*J. R. Reitz, Journal of Applied Physics. 41 (1970)*