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Target Assembly Drive Design

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Second Target Station



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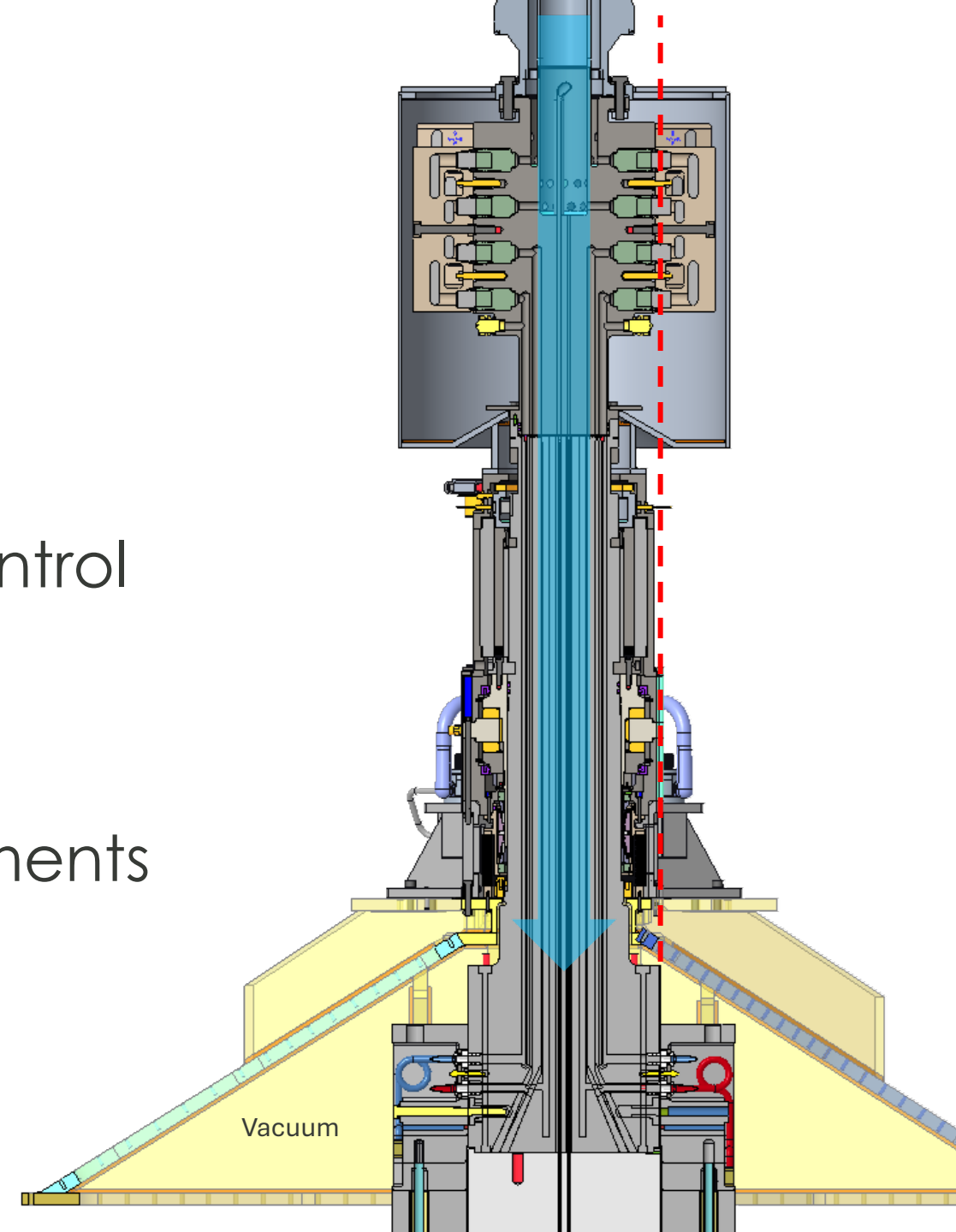
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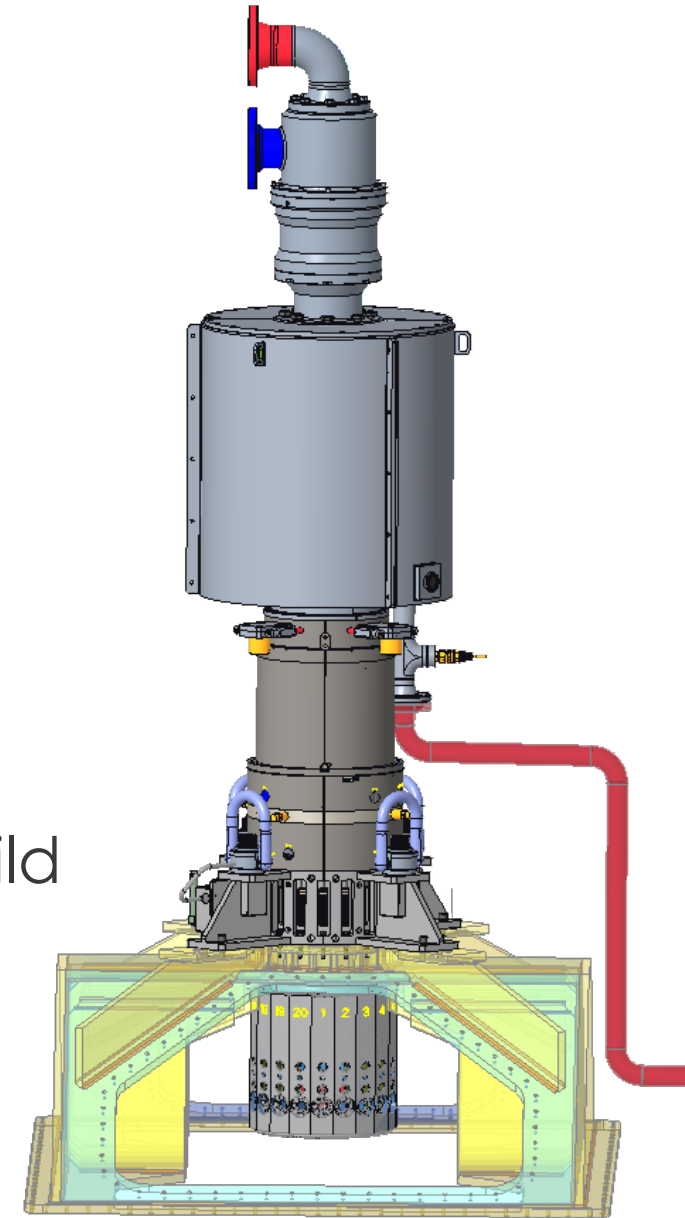
Requirements – Design Basis

- Rotates segments at 45 rpm
- Vertical segment removal
- Rotate targets
- Provides position knowledge for control system
- Shielding & seismic support
- Distribute and isolate water to segments
- Leak detection capability
- Provide fast access to components



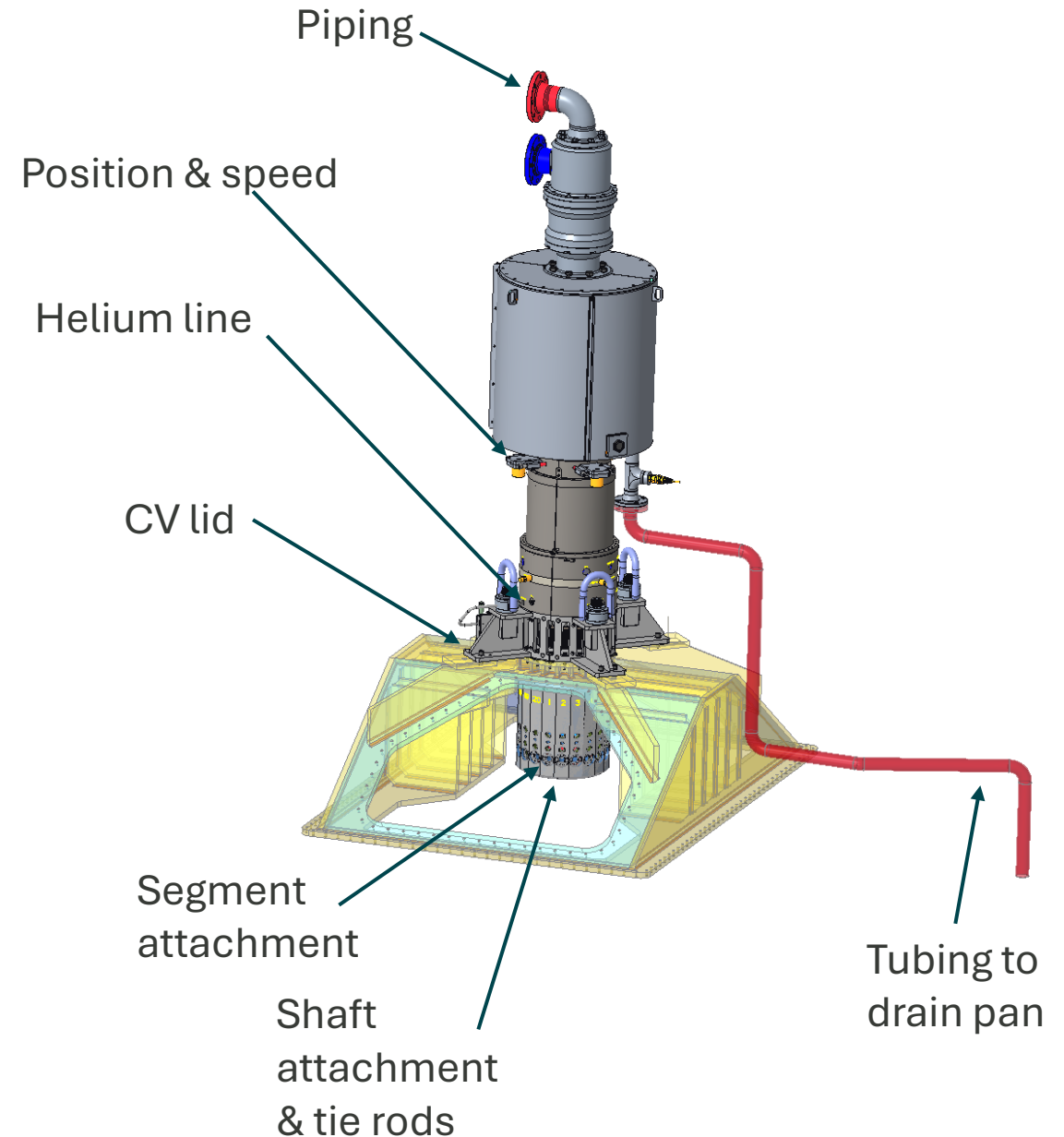
Key parameters

- Operating Speed: 45 rpm
- Torque required: 365/490 Nm
- Water flow: 158 gpm, 25 psi, 32.5°C
- Vacuum: 1 Torr
- Radiation Environment:
- Seismic role: Resist lateral forces & moment
- Replacement philosophy: fast swap in field; bench rebuild
- Alignment requirement: <1mm to STS world center
- Replacement interval: ~ Pieces every 6 years

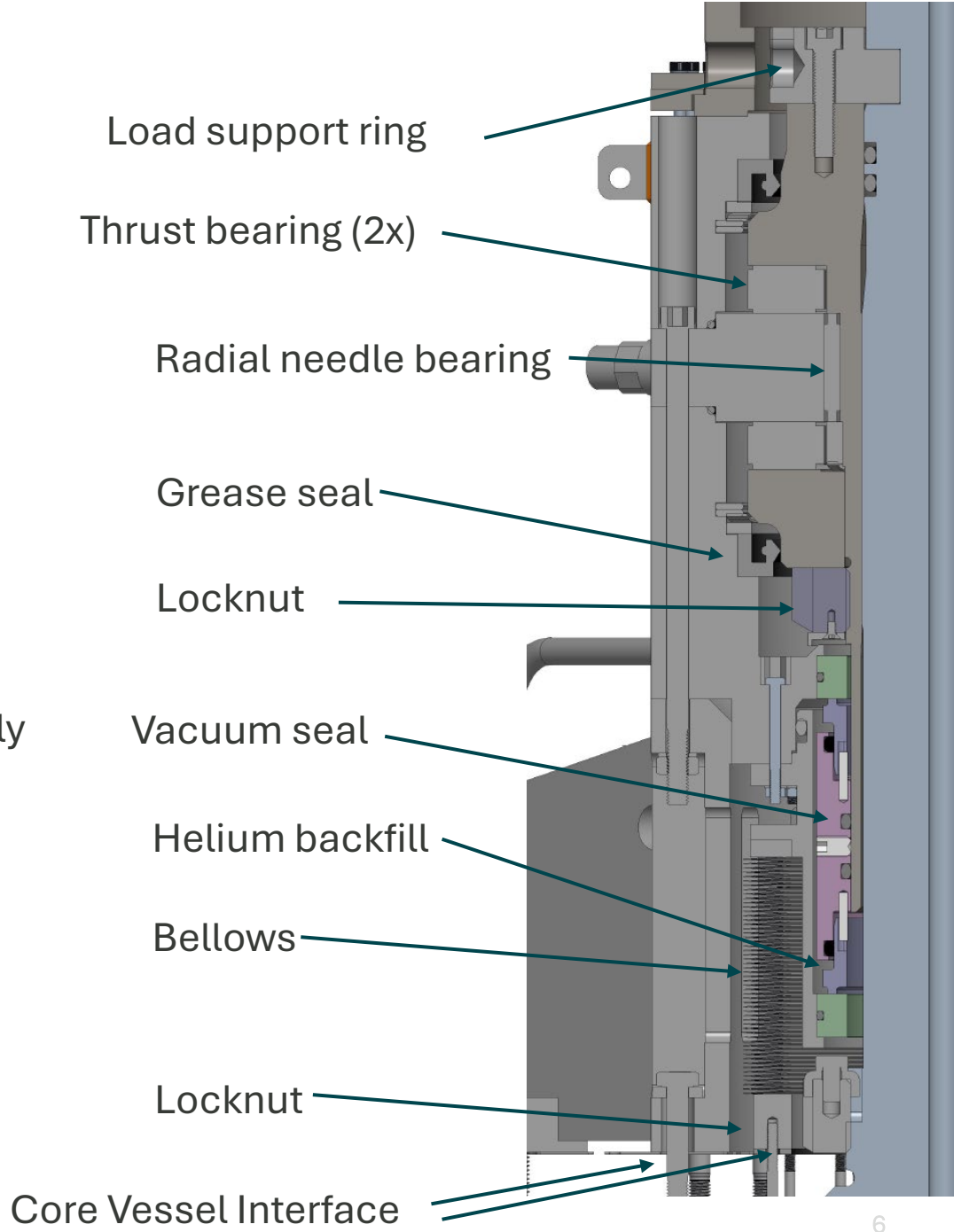
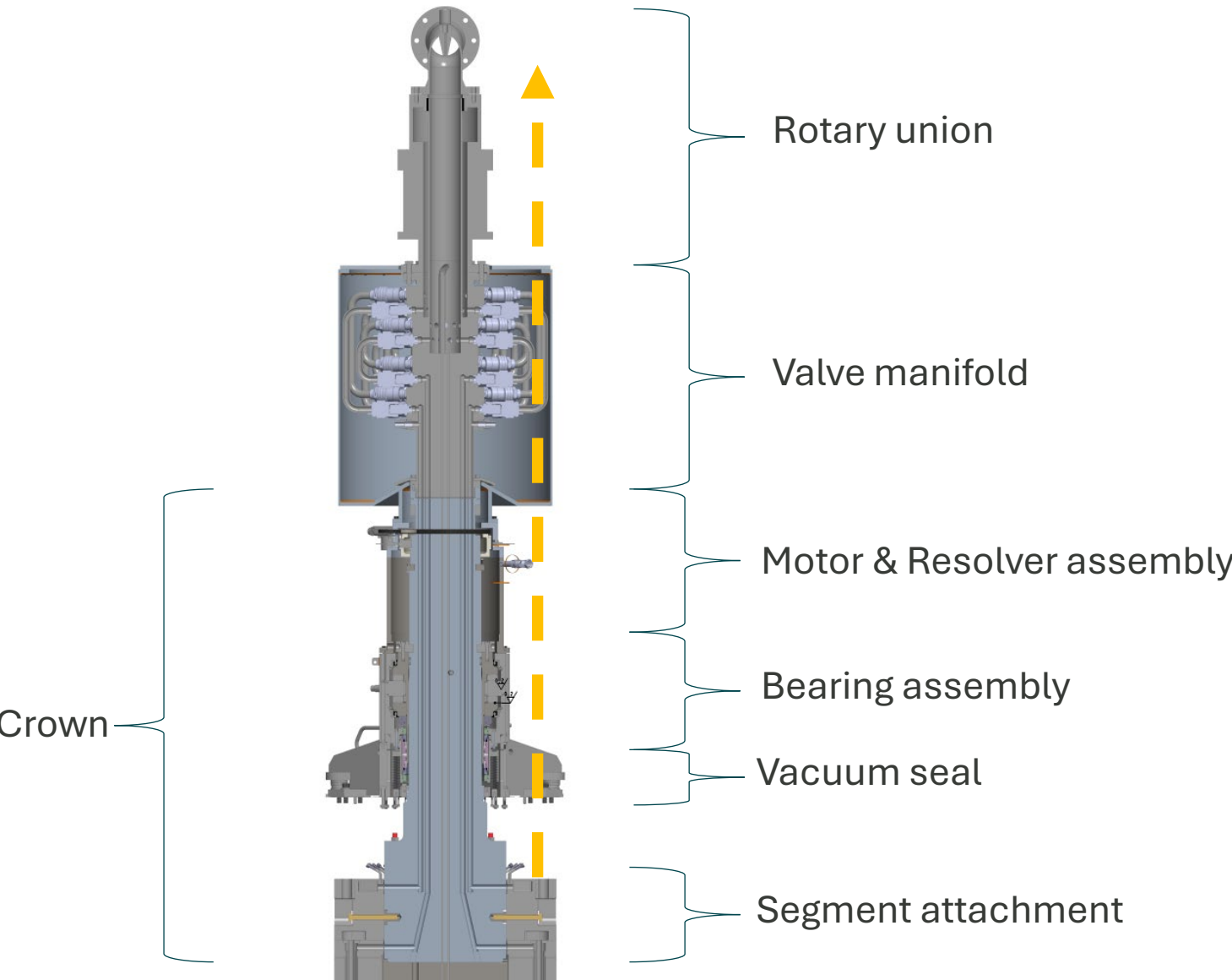


Drive Interfaces

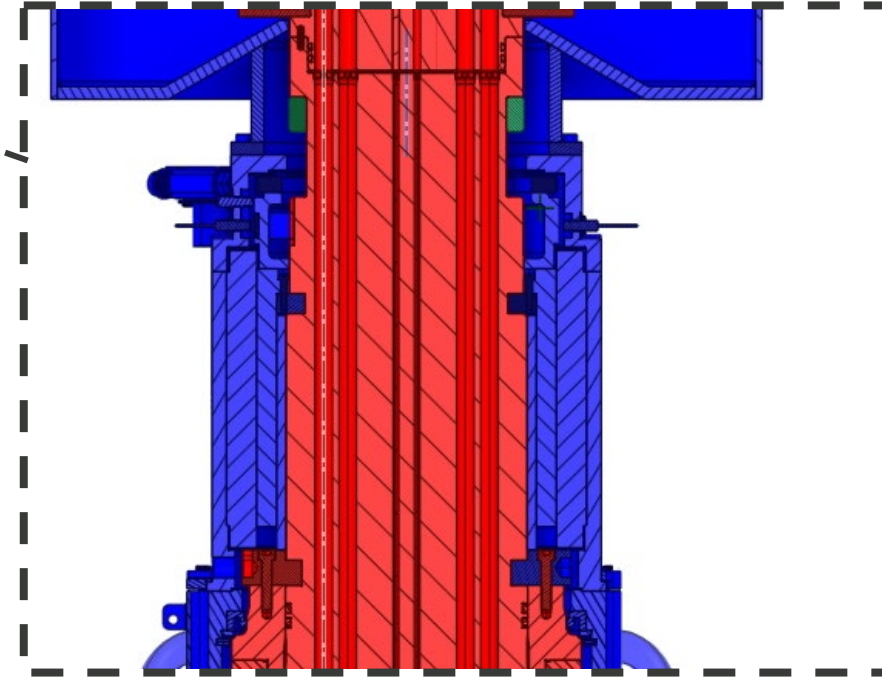
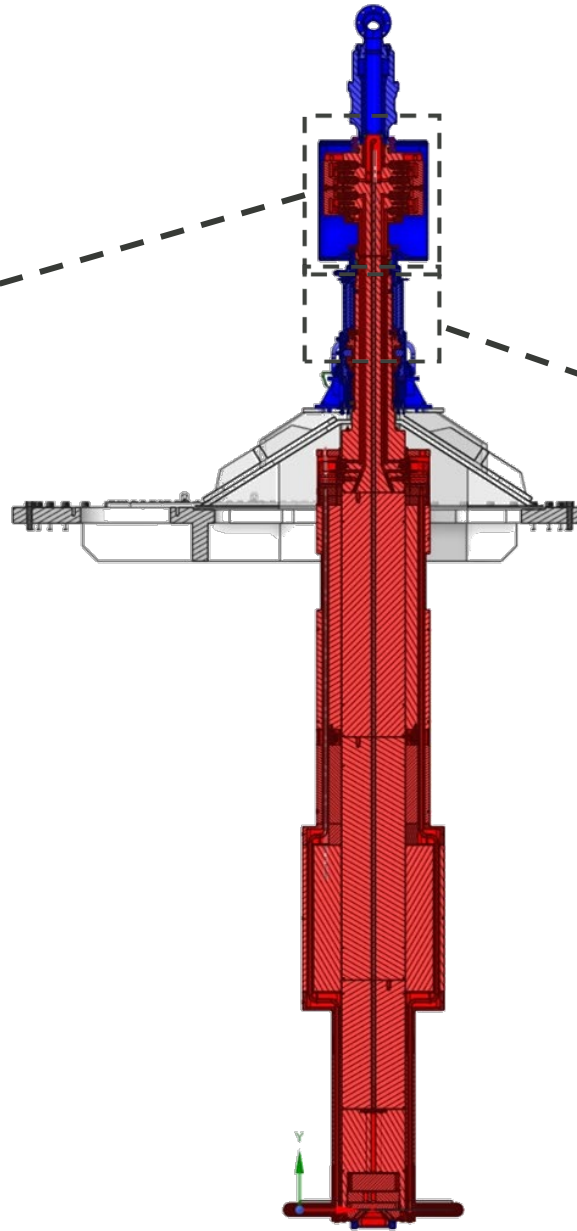
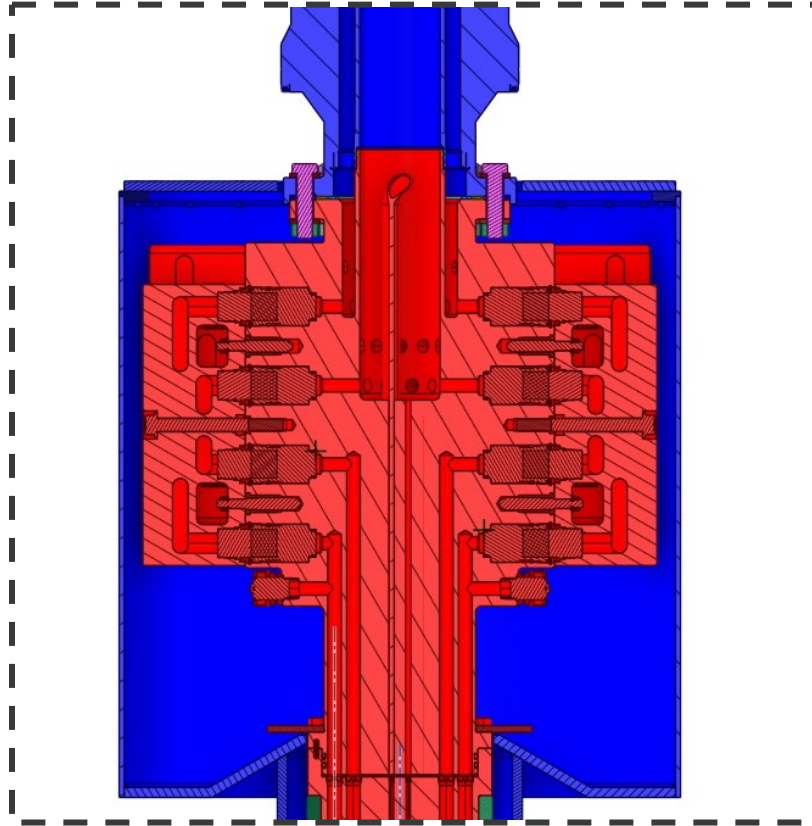
- Shaft
- Segments
- Core Vessel Lid
- Control System
- Vacuum environment
- Maintenance personnel



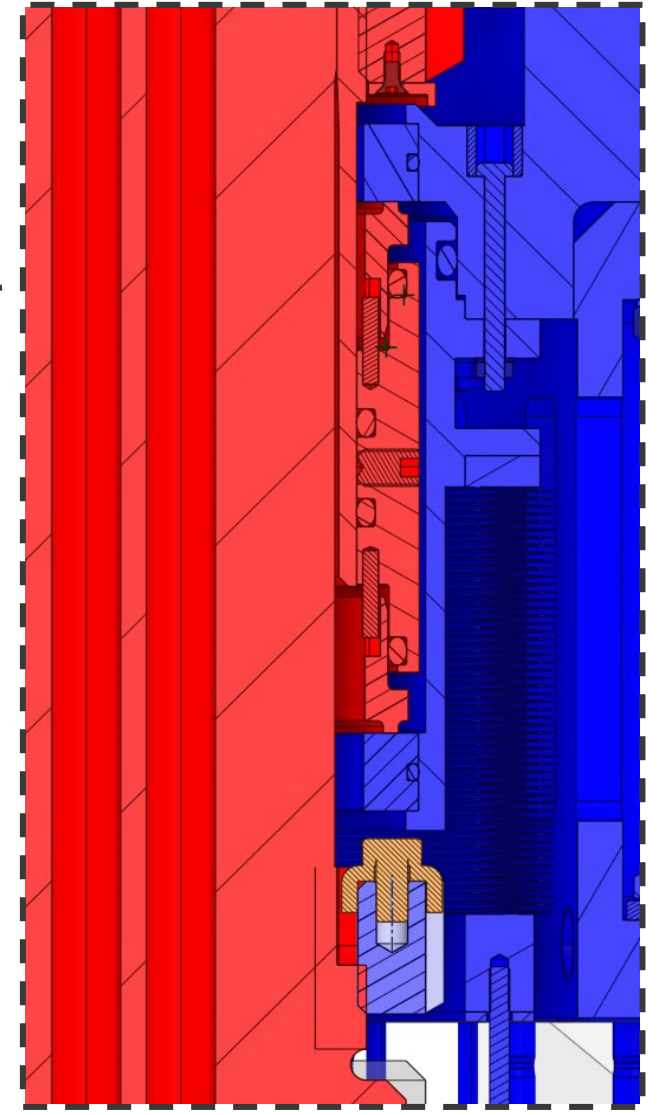
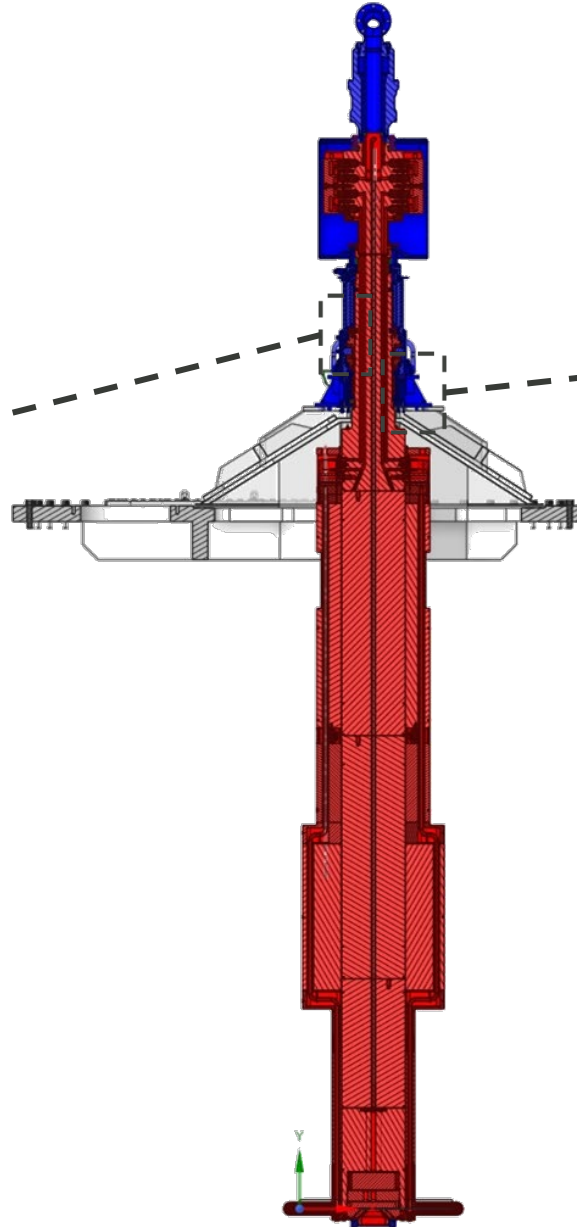
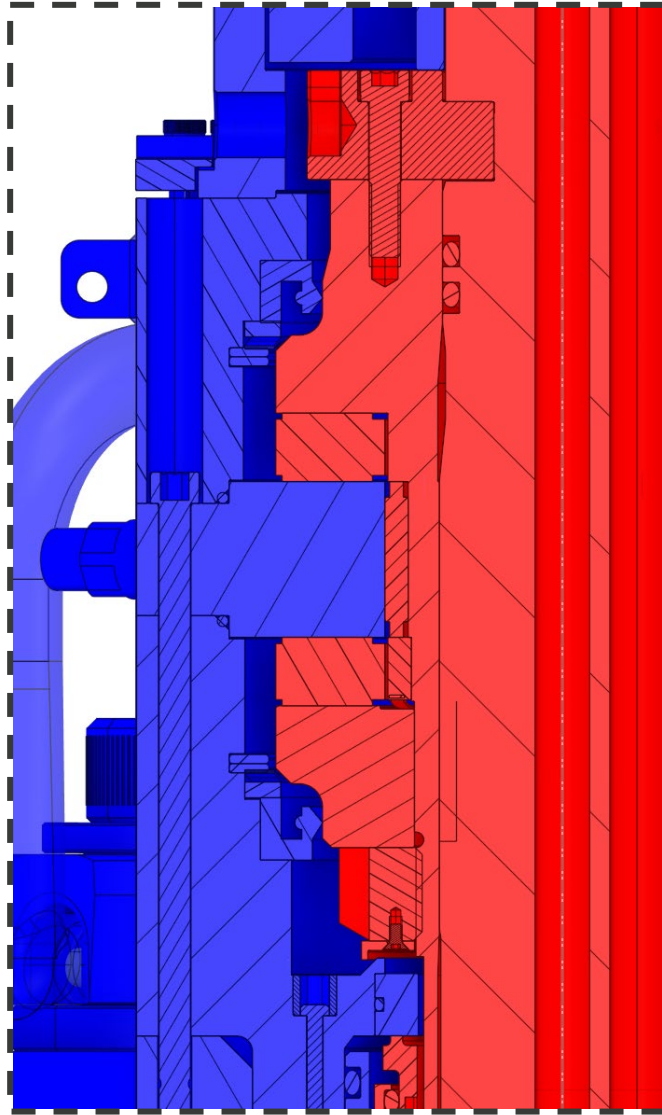
System Boundary & Architecture



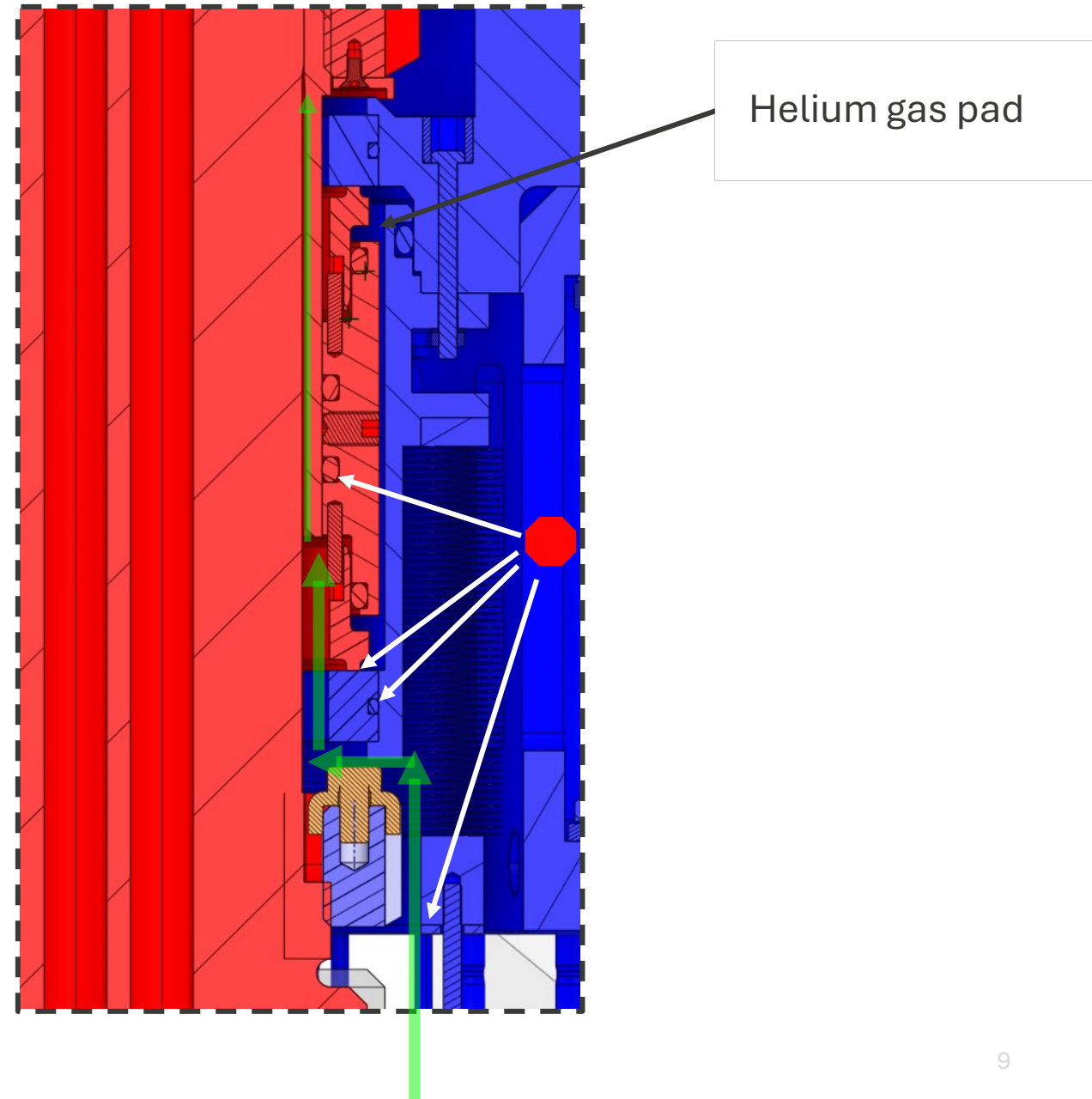
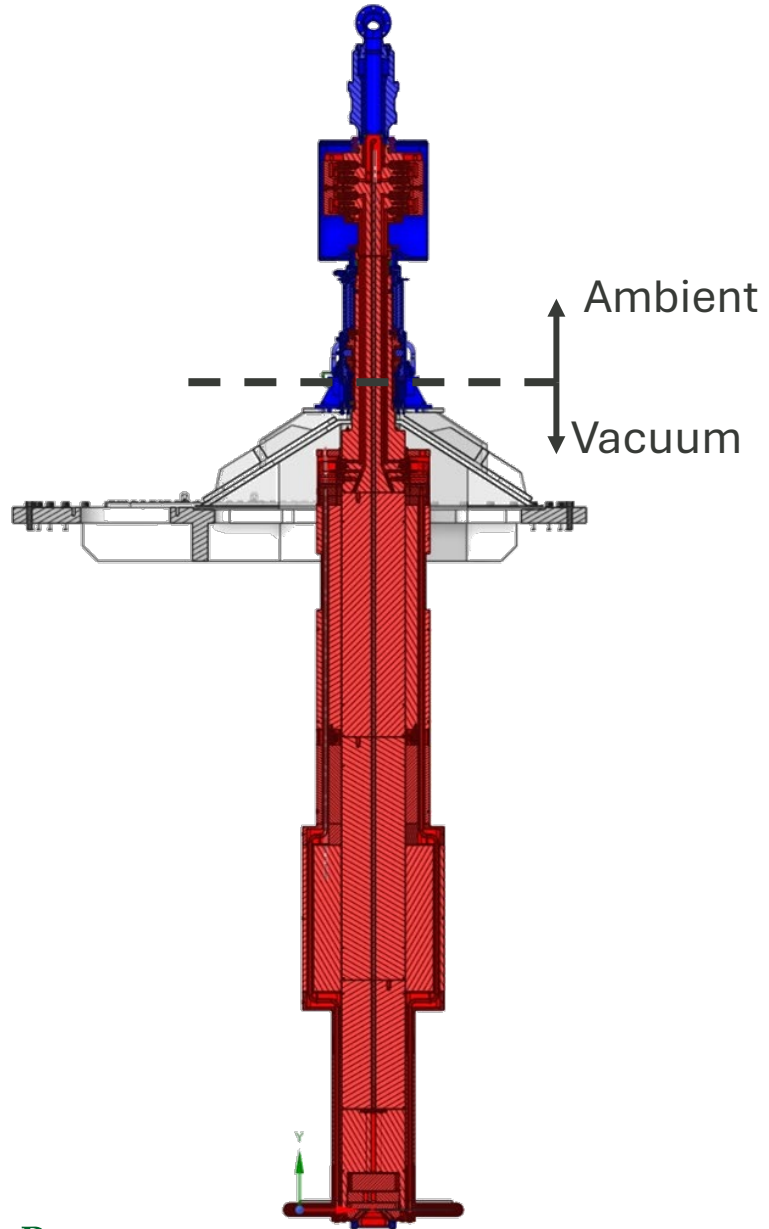
Rotating and stationary



Rotating and Stationary (Continued)

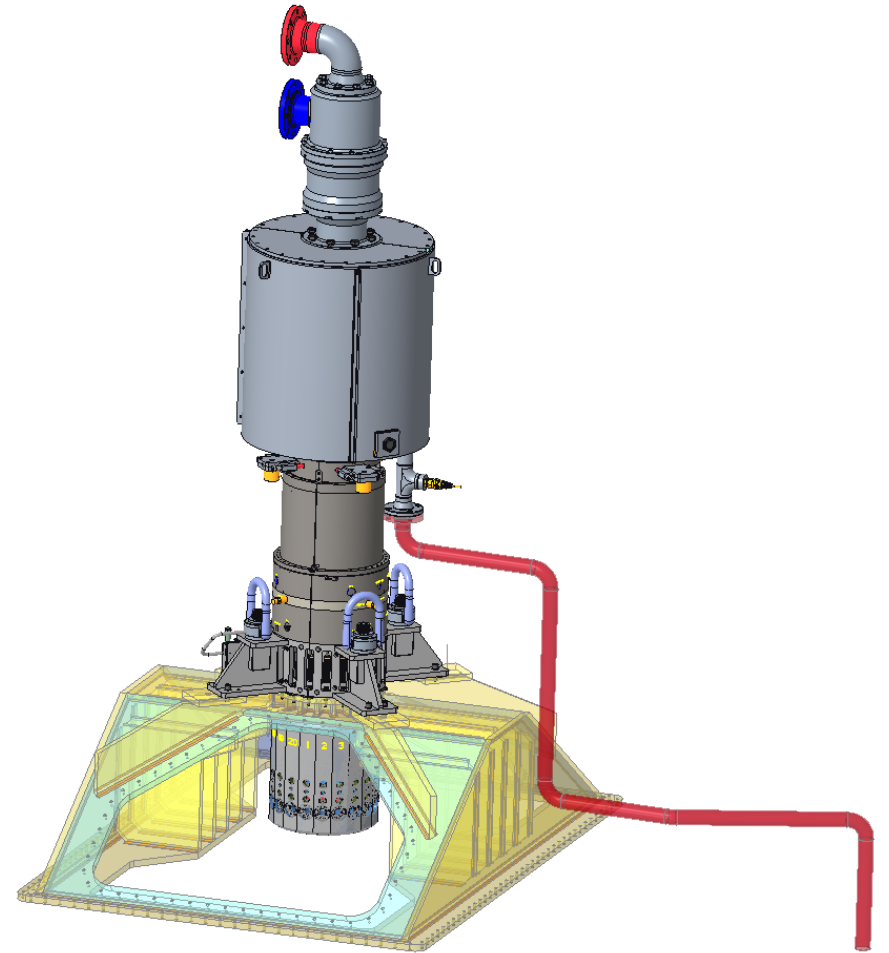


Vacuum Break

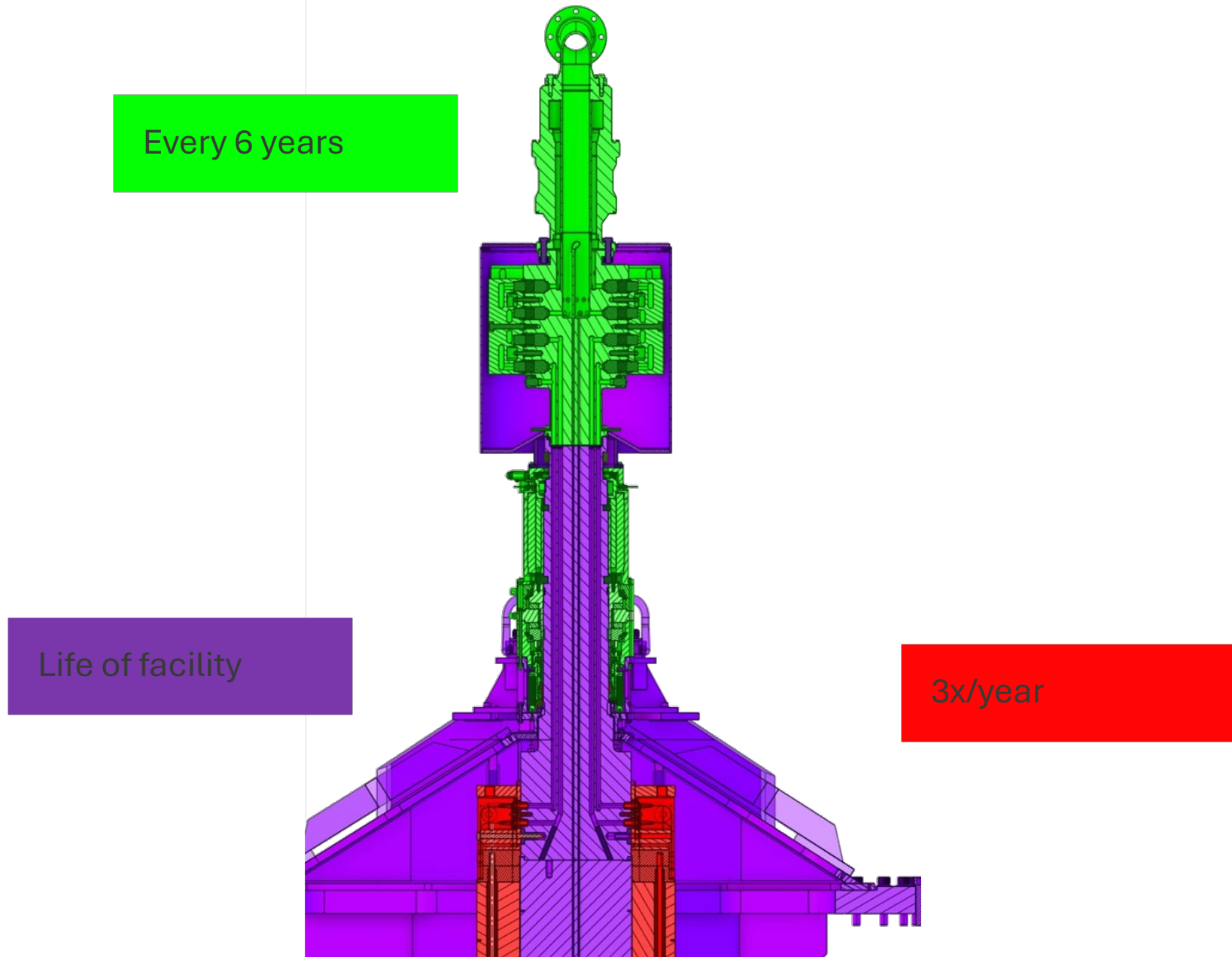


Field Replaceable Units

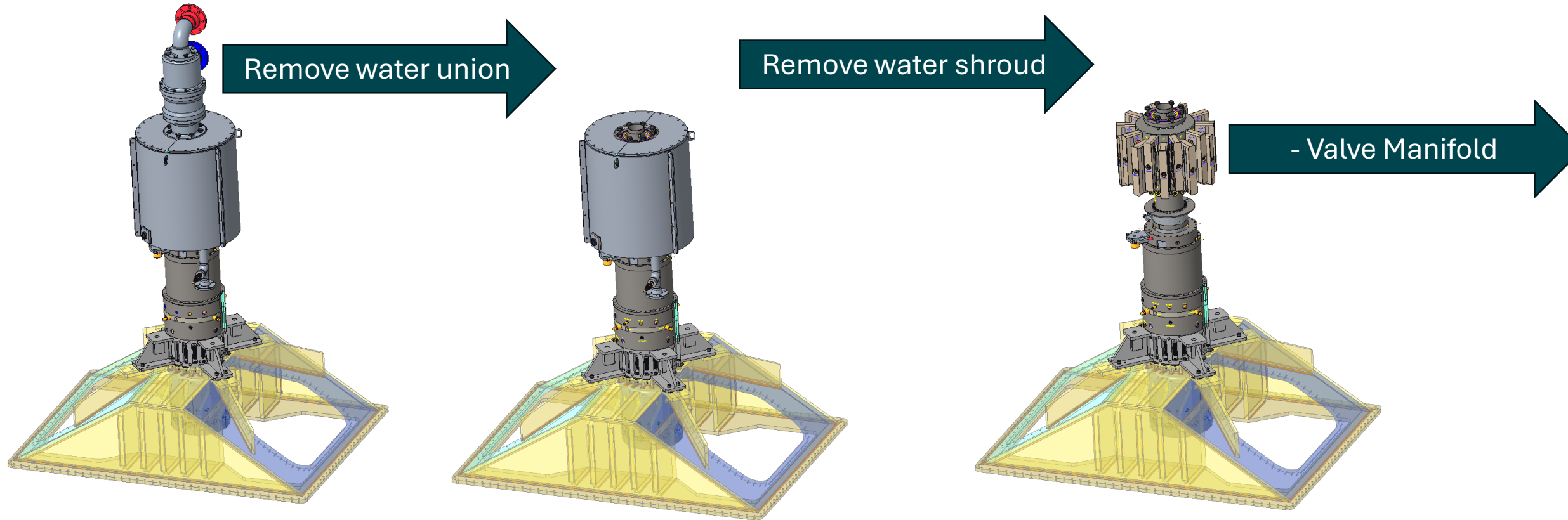
- The target drive is intended to be serviced in modules installed in the field
- Modules are built, repaired, replaced offline (bench)
- Reduces dose and downtime
- Preventative maintenance philosophy



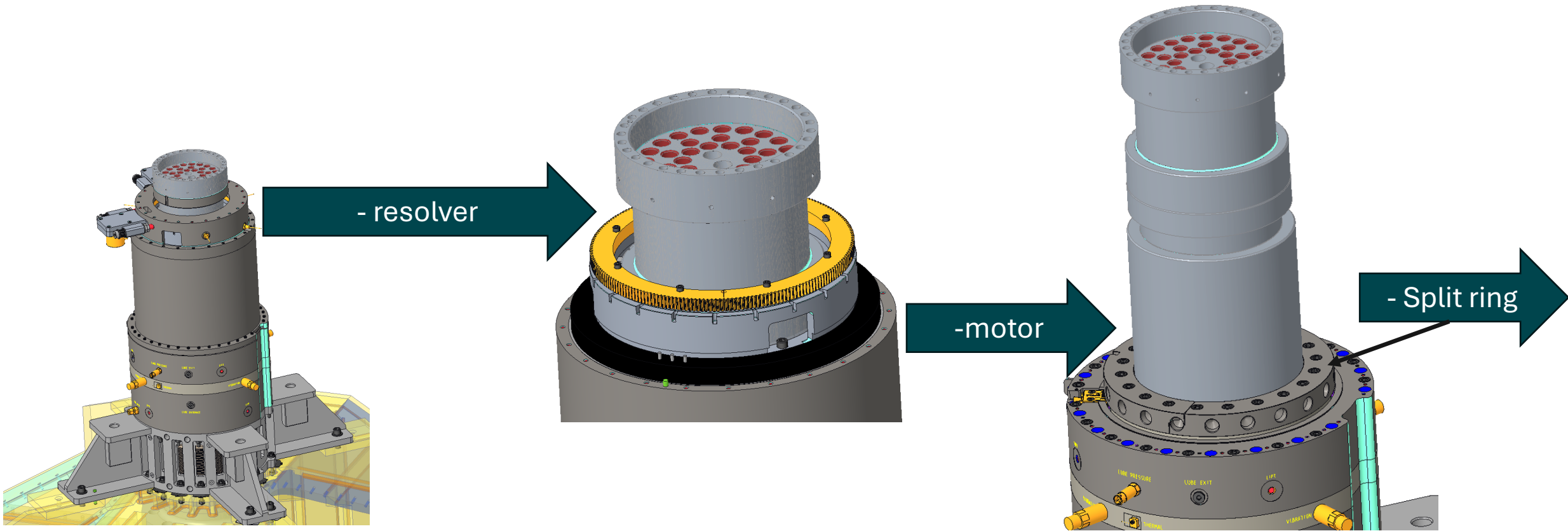
Planned Replacement Intervals



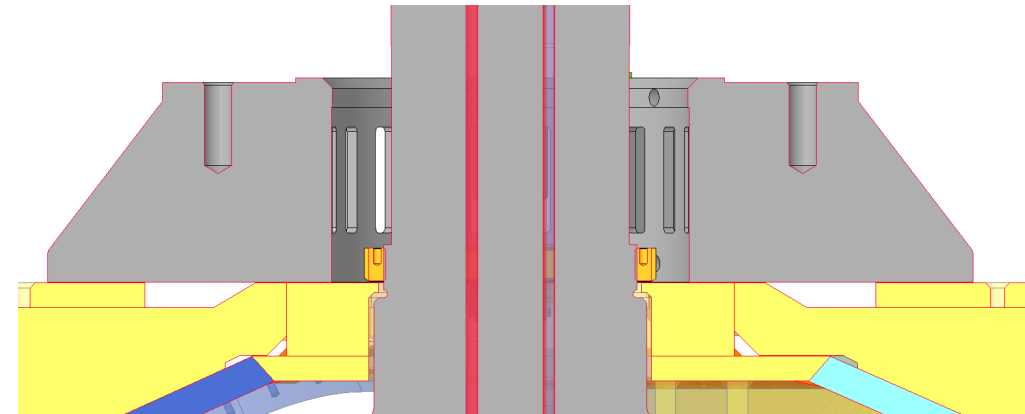
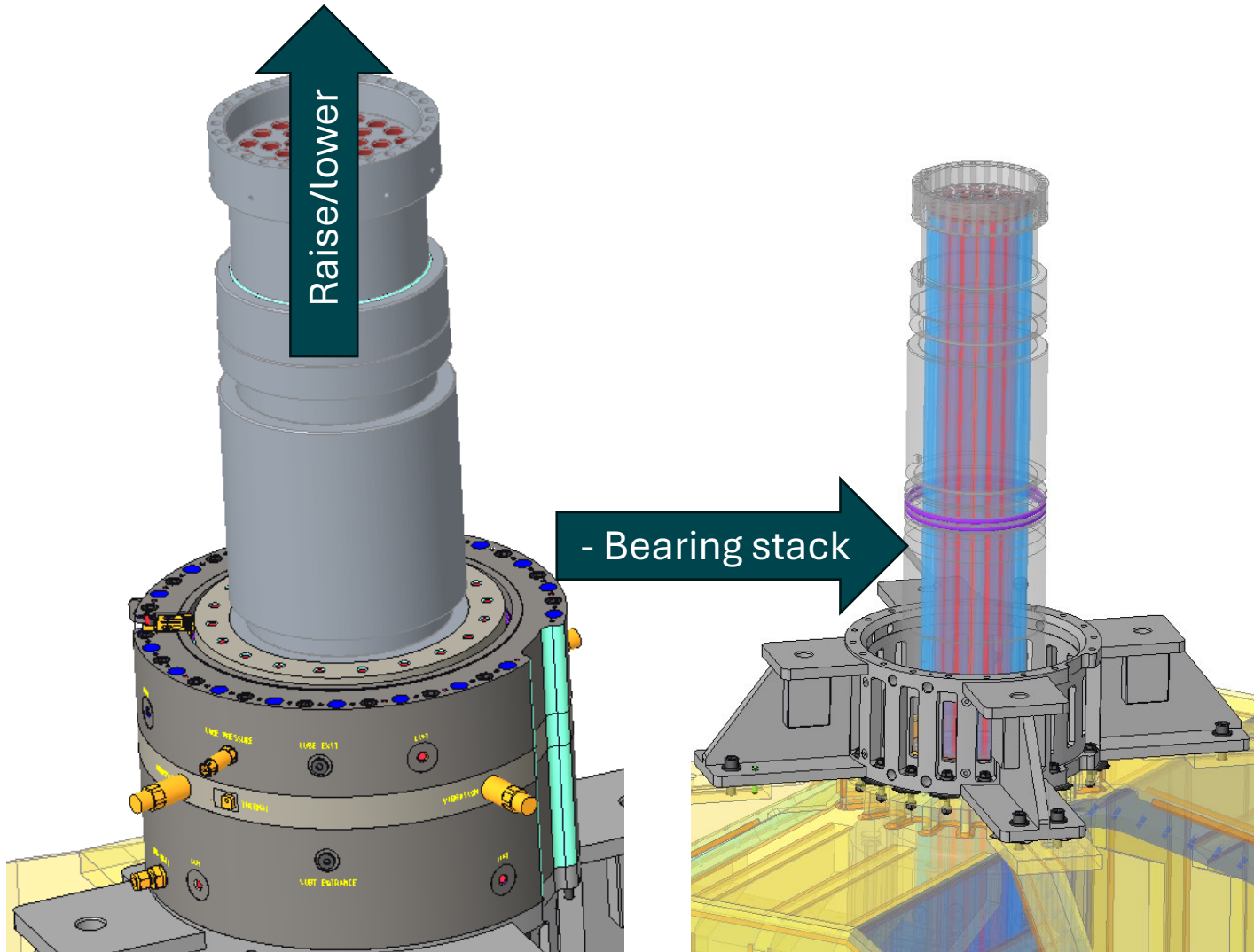
Disassembly sequence



Disassembly sequence (cont)



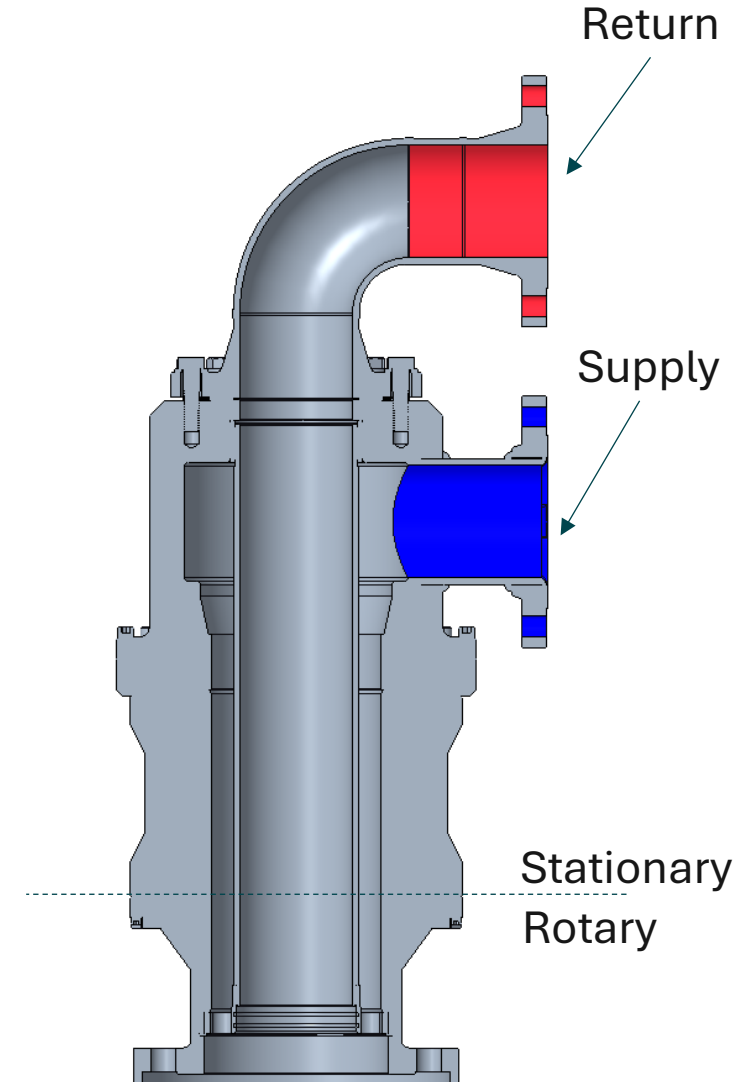
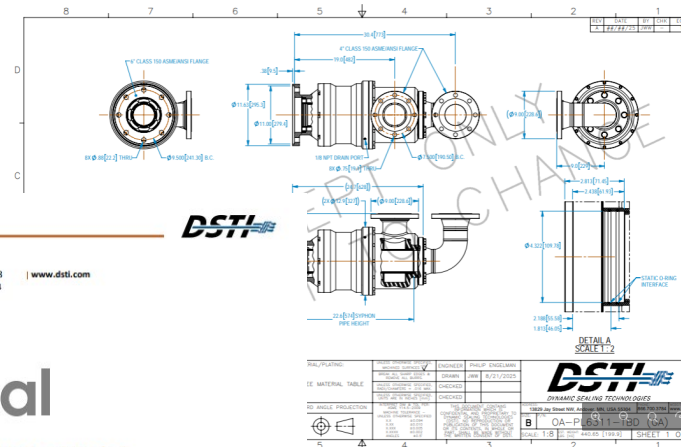
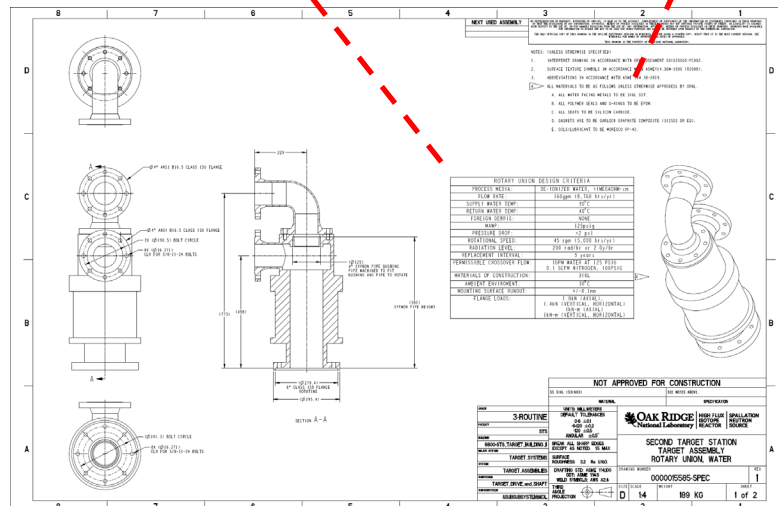
Disassembly sequence (cont)



The rotary union is supplied by DSTI in a tailored configuration based upon their standard offering

ROTARY UNION DESIGN CRITERIA	
PROCESS MEDIA:	DE-IONIZED WATER, >IMEGAOHM-cm
FLOW RATE:	160gpm (8,760 hrs/yr)
SUPPLY WATER TEMP:	30°C
RETURN WATER TEMP:	40°C
FOREIGN DEBRIS:	NONE
MAWP:	125psig
PRESSURE DROP:	<2 psi
ROTATIONAL SPEED:	45 rpm (5,000 hrs/yr)
RADIATION LEVEL:	200 rad/hr or 2 Gy/hr
REPLACEMENT INTERVAL:	3 years
PERMISSIBLE CROSSOVER FLOW:	1GPM WATER AT 125 PSIG 0.1 SCFM NITROGEN, 100PSIG
MATERIALS OF CONSTRUCTION:	316L
AMBIENT ENVIRONMENT:	30°C
MOUNTING SURFACE RUNOUT:	+/-0.1mm
FLANGE LOADS:	1.8kN (AXIAL), 1.4kN (VERTICAL, HORIZONTAL) 1kN-m (AXIAL) 1kN-m (VERTICAL, HORIZONTAL)

4. ALL MATERIALS TO BE AS FOLLOWS UNLESS OTHERWISE APPROVED BY ORNL.
- A. ALL WATER FACING METALS TO BE 316L SST.
 - B. ALL POLYMER SEALS AND O-RINGS TO BE EPDM.
 - C. ALL SEATS TO BE SILICON CARBIDE.
 - D. GASKETS ARE TO BE GARLOCK GRAPHITE COMPOSITE (3125SS OR EQ).
 - E. OILS/LUBRICANT TO BE MORESCO RP-42.



Rotational drag is reacted by
the attached piping 15

Proposal

Oak Ridge National Laboratories
+ Fluid Rotary Unions

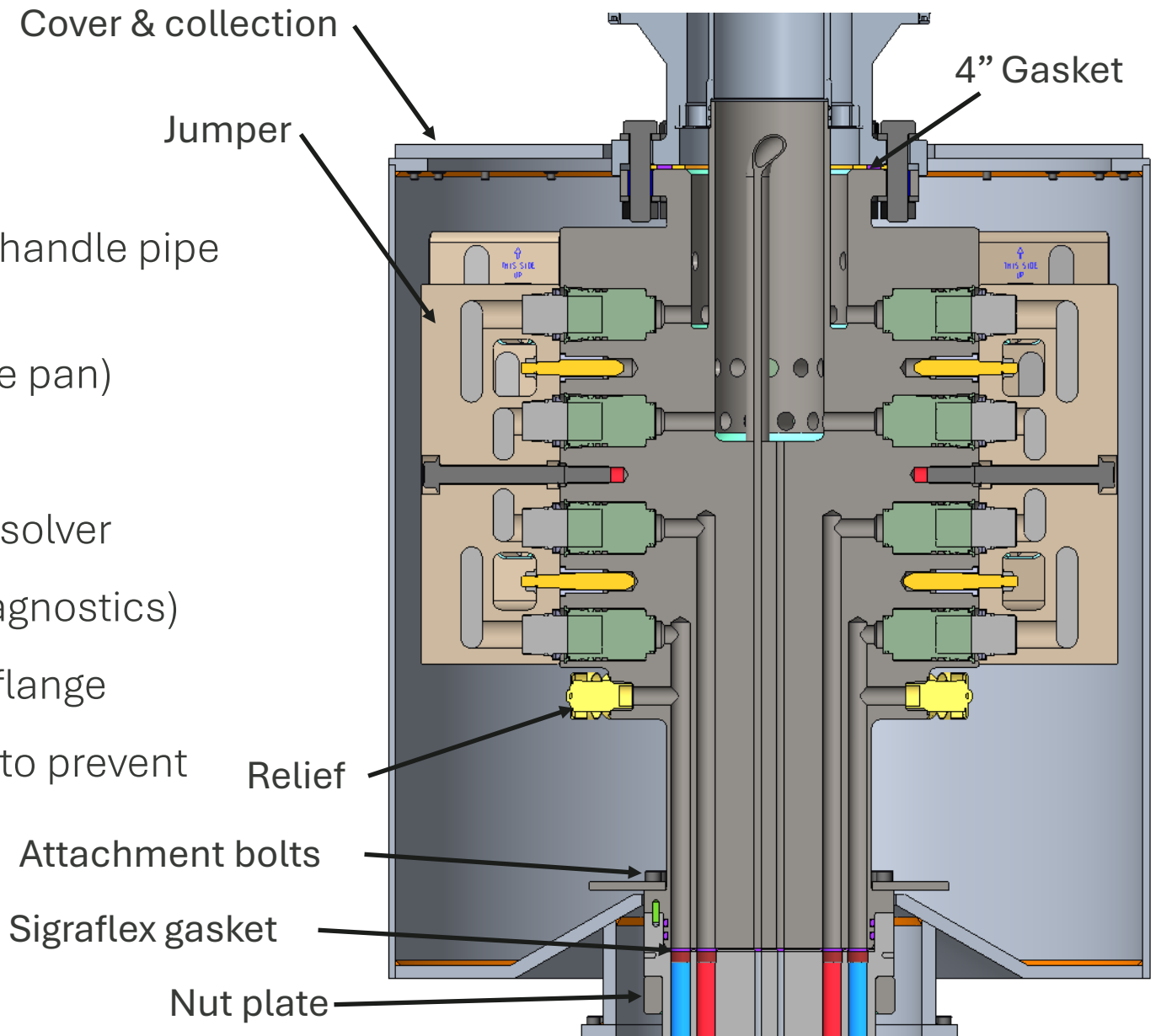
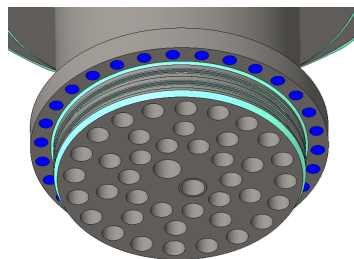
Compliance Matrix

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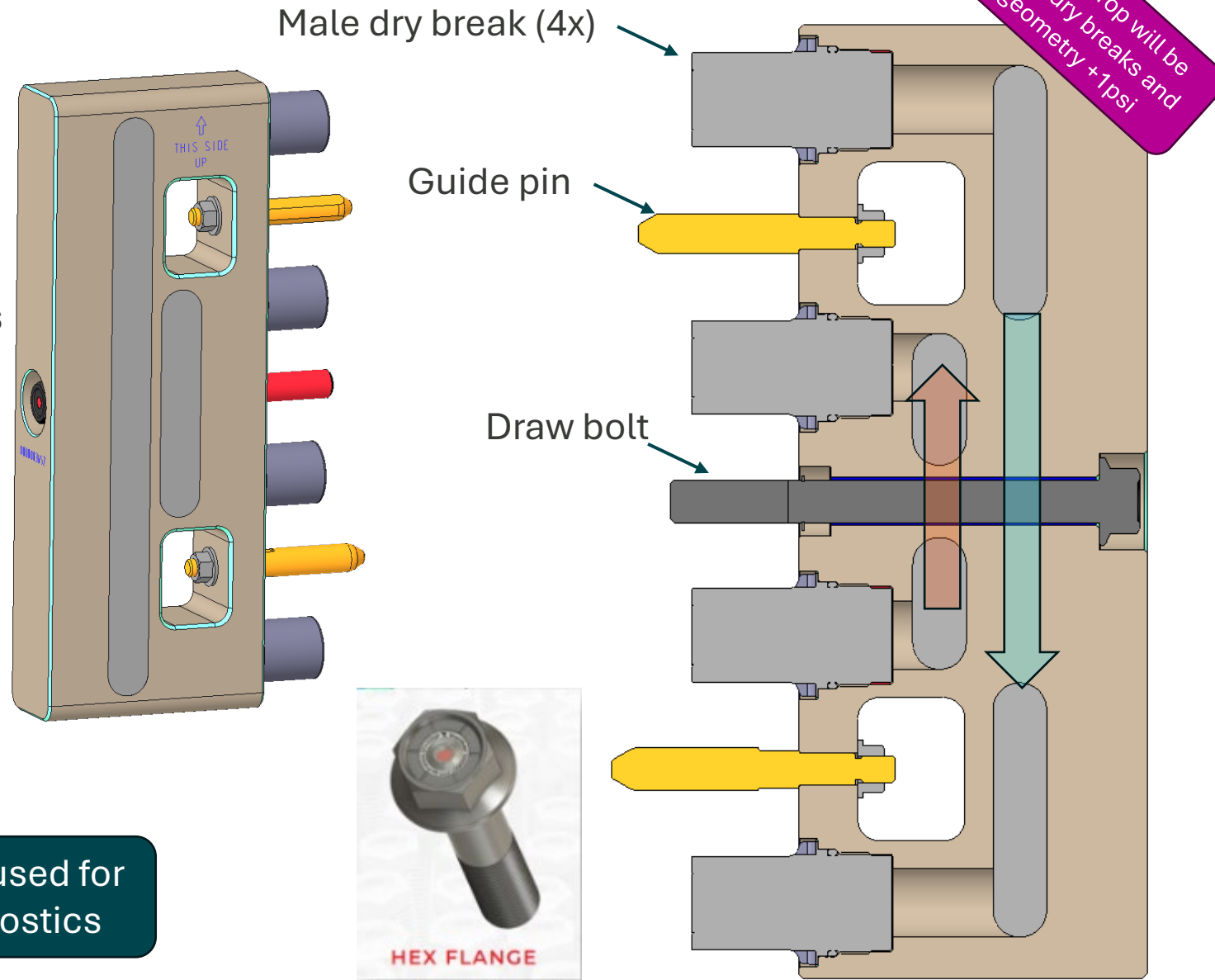
The manifold distributes the primary flow into segment and shaft circuits

- Relief set point = 110 psi
- Material: 316L
- Bolts directly to crown (high preload to handle pipe interface loads)
- Water shroud for leak collection (to pipe pan)
- Staubli double dry break connections
- Prevents water leaks onto motor and resolver
- High clamping to prevent cross talk (diagnostics)
- Credited filter part of process systems flange
- Individual screens for circuits are used to prevent maintenance debris



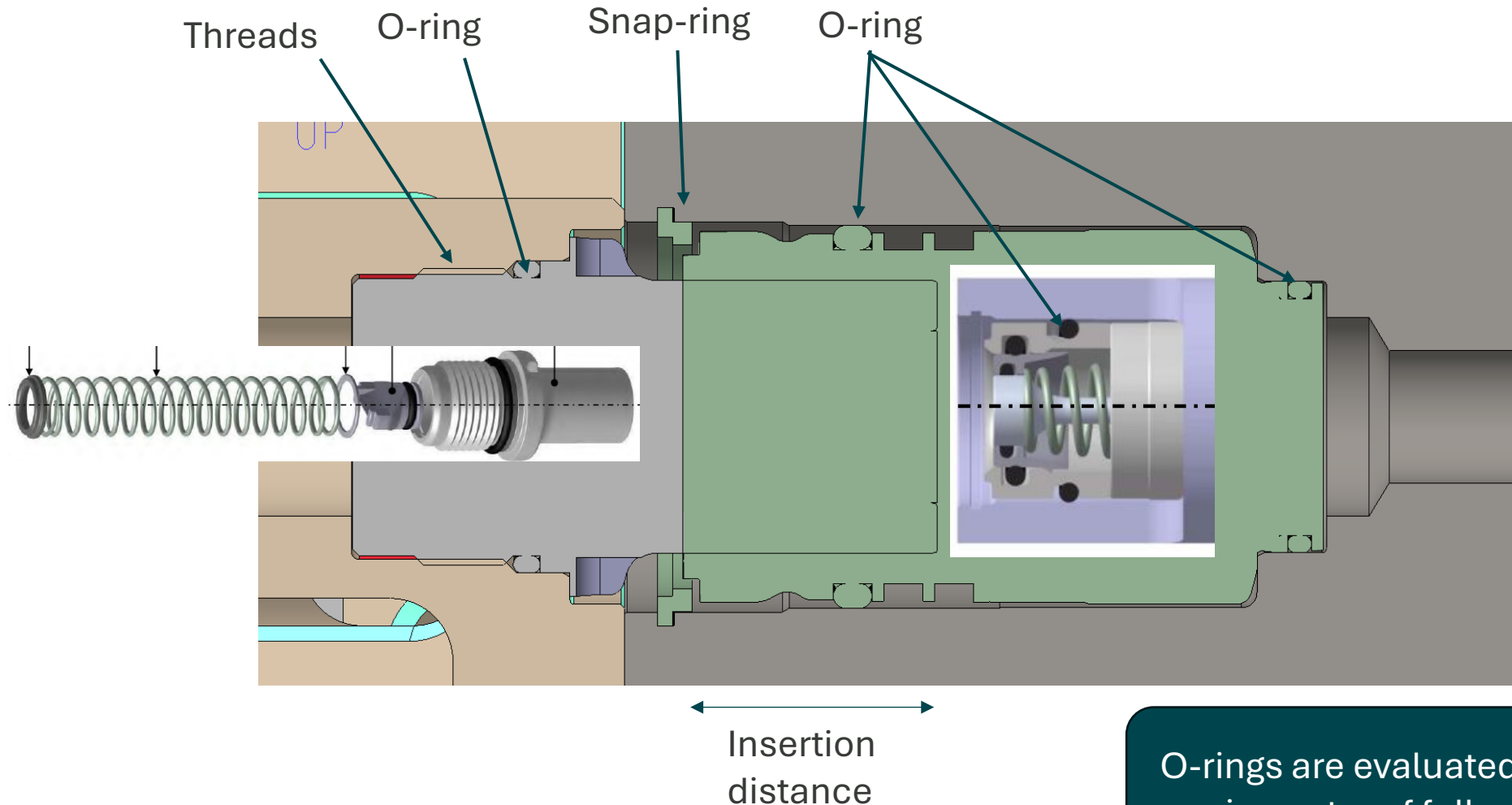
The jumper houses 4 valves and provides status of the connection

- Breaks create 0.25 psi drop (ea)
- Material: 316
- Draw bolt with indicator used to verify status
- Torque status is well beyond connection status
- Indicator only relevant at install
- Mass: 17kg
- Jumper removed to permit vertical install
- Can be rebuilt



Maintenance jumper used for
blowdown and diagnostics

The Staubli fittings are off the shelf fittings that allow flow during maintenance and can be easily replaced



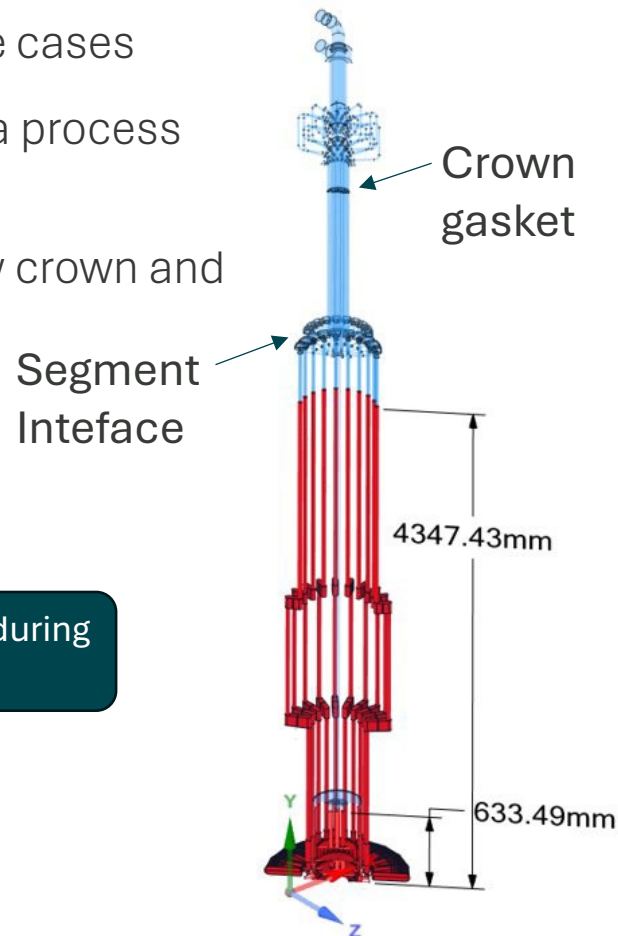
O-rings are evaluated as fully immersed
in center of fully activated water

There are two blowdown procedures to remove water for maintenance safety

System blowdown

- Used for all maintenance cases
- Blowdown automated via process systems
- Water surface well below crown and segment interface

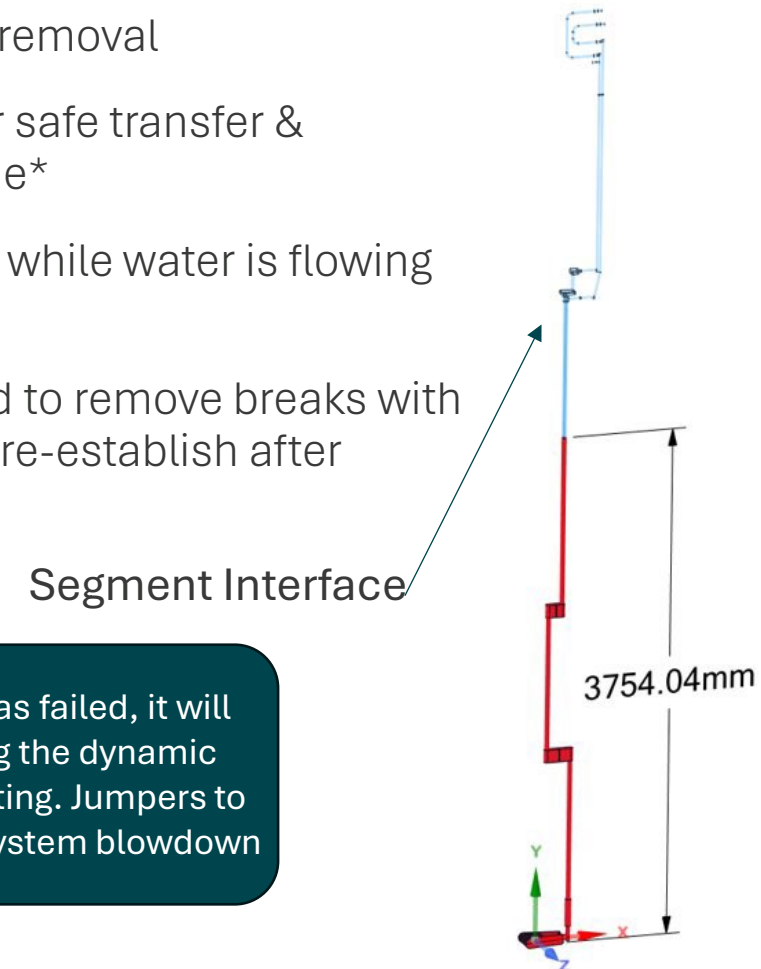
Forced air cooling to be running during and after blowdown



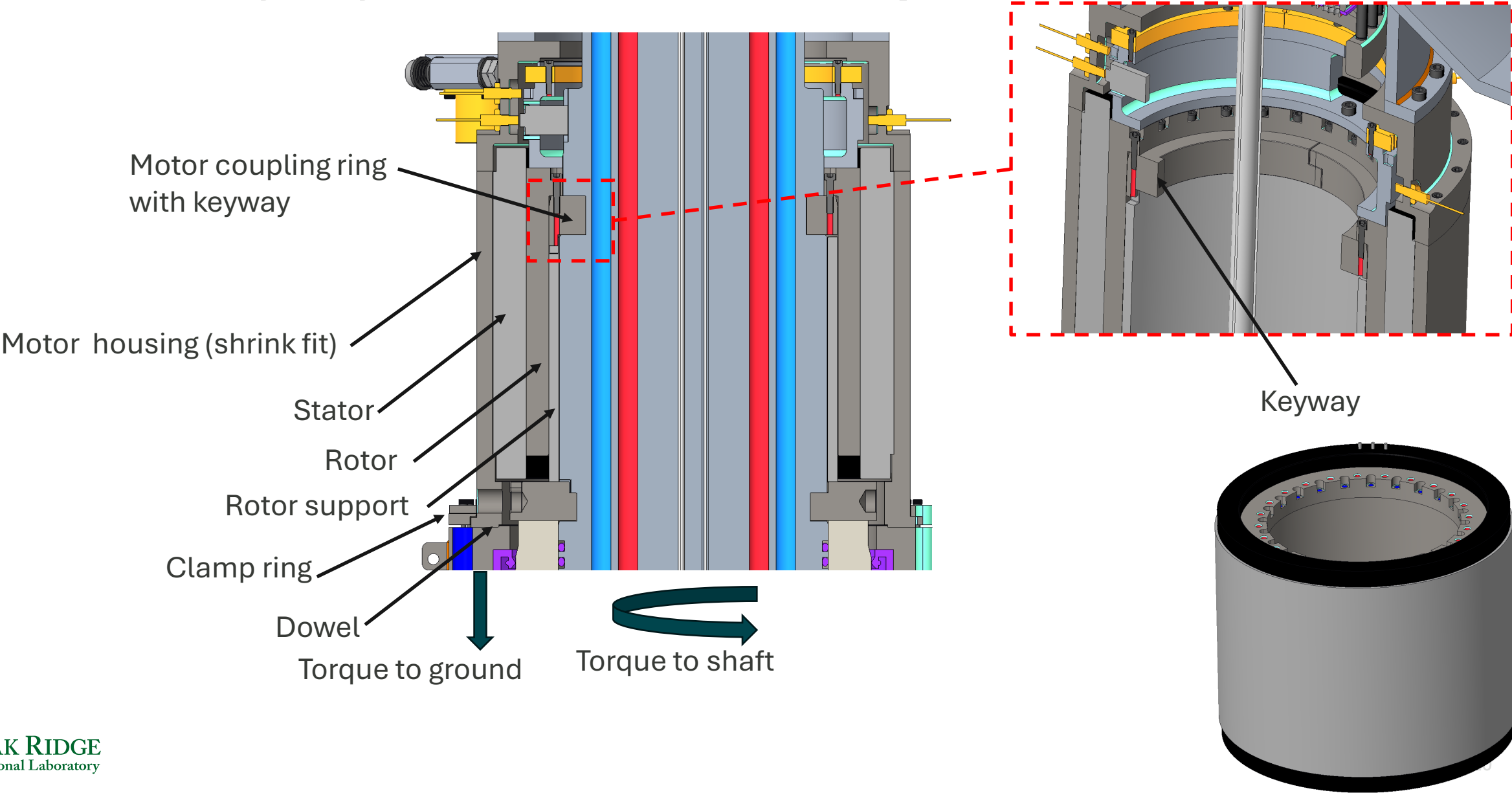
Isolated segment blowdown

- Used for segment removal
- Removes water for safe transfer & reduces drying time*
- May be performed while water is flowing to 19 segments
- Not recommended to remove breaks with full/flowing water (re-establish after removal)

If a dry break o-ring has failed, it will manifest itself during the dynamic event of mating/demating. Jumpers to be manipulated after system blowdown



Rotational load path from the motor into the drive housing involves a keyway, shrink fit, and multiple dowels



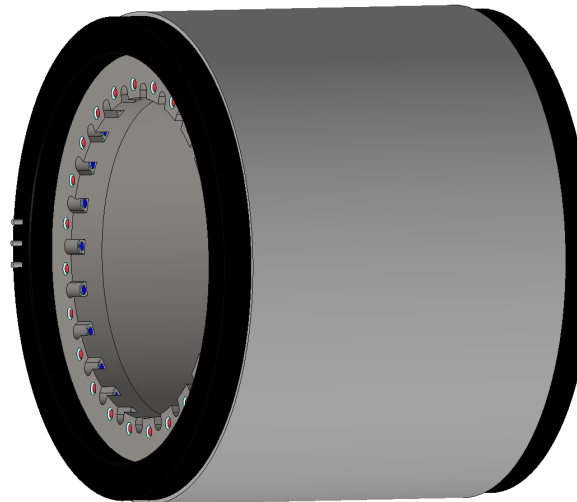
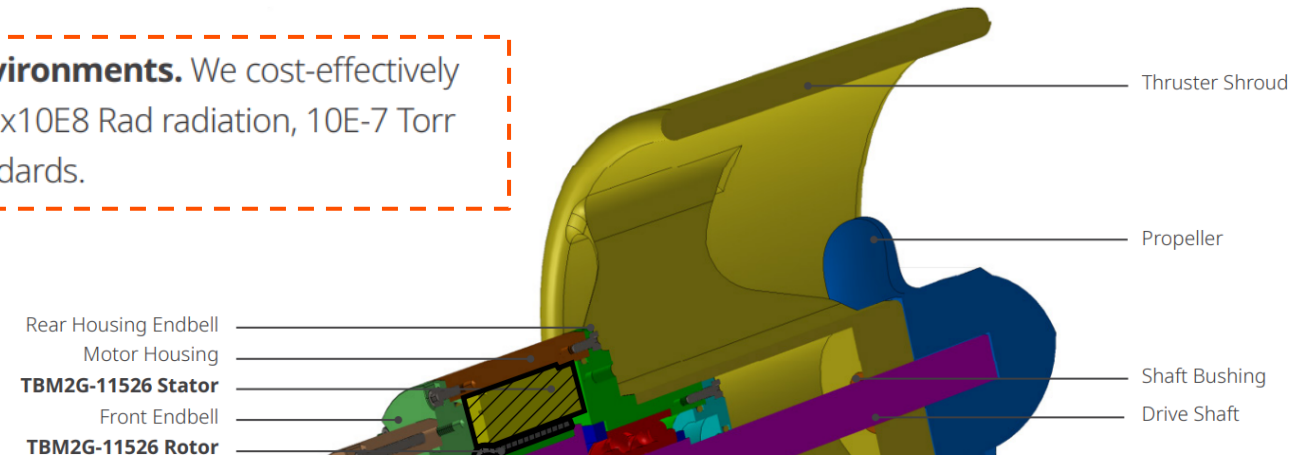
The motor is a modified variant of an off the shelf item from a vendor with experience in radiation design and materials

We offer many housed motors that are specialized for use in extreme environments — such as the submersible Goldline S Series, washdown-ready AKMA and AKMH Series, radiation-hardened motor variants, and more. However, for the most compact, lightweight machine design, another compelling option is to embed a frameless motor directly within the structure of the machine.

- **Adapted for near-earth and deep-space environments.** We cost-effectively modify our standard motor platforms to meet 1×10^8 Rad radiation, 10^{-7} Torr vacuum, and NASA-STD-6016A outgassing standards.

Modifications:

Bore diameter
Bolt circle diameter
Rad-hard materials of construction

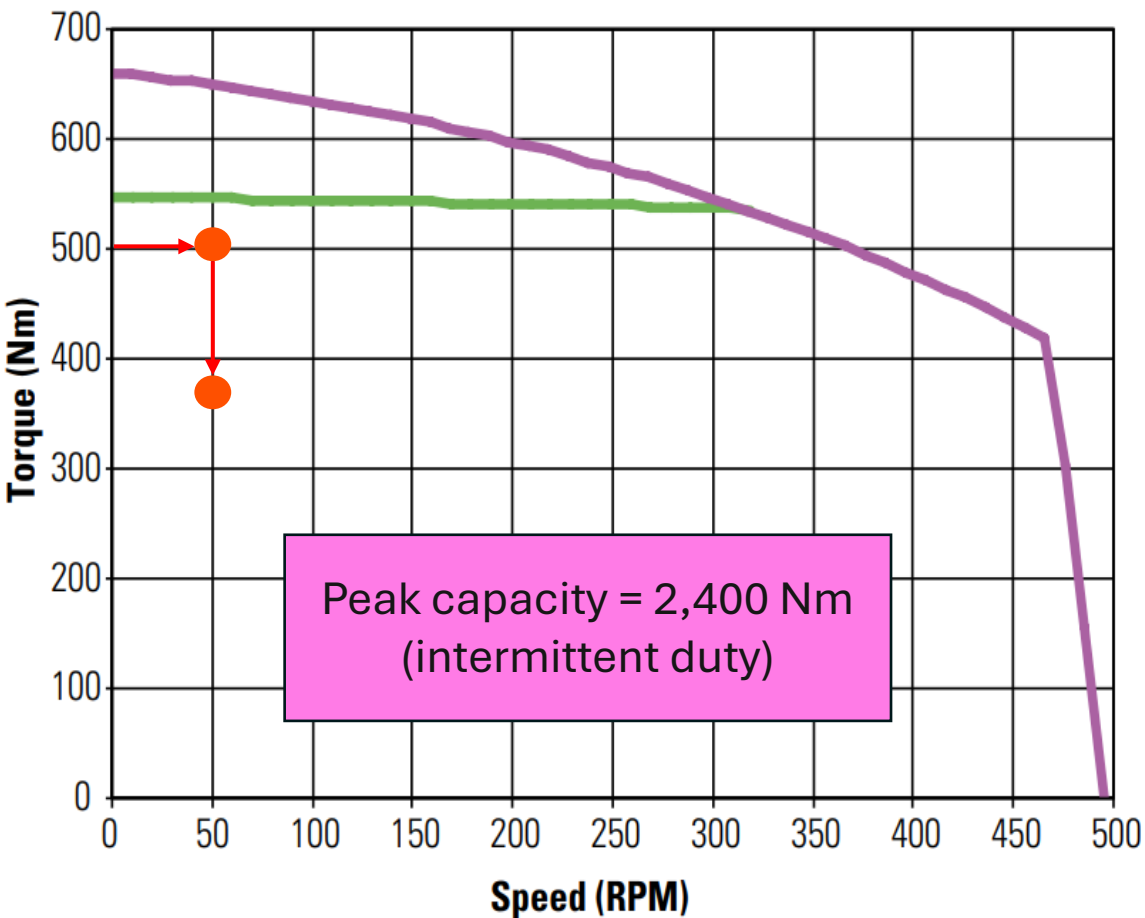


The motor has margin at steady state and startup

Friction (Nm)	Contributor
70x2=140	Thrust bearing friction (2)
5	Radial needle bearing
75	Vacuum seal
30	Grease seals
75	Water rotary union
10	Unforeseen
365	Total- Steady state
490	Start-up

Inertia=1.6x10³ kg-m²
 $\alpha=4.5 \text{ deg/s}^2$ (1 minute)
=125 Nm

KBM(S)-118X04
ContinuousTorque



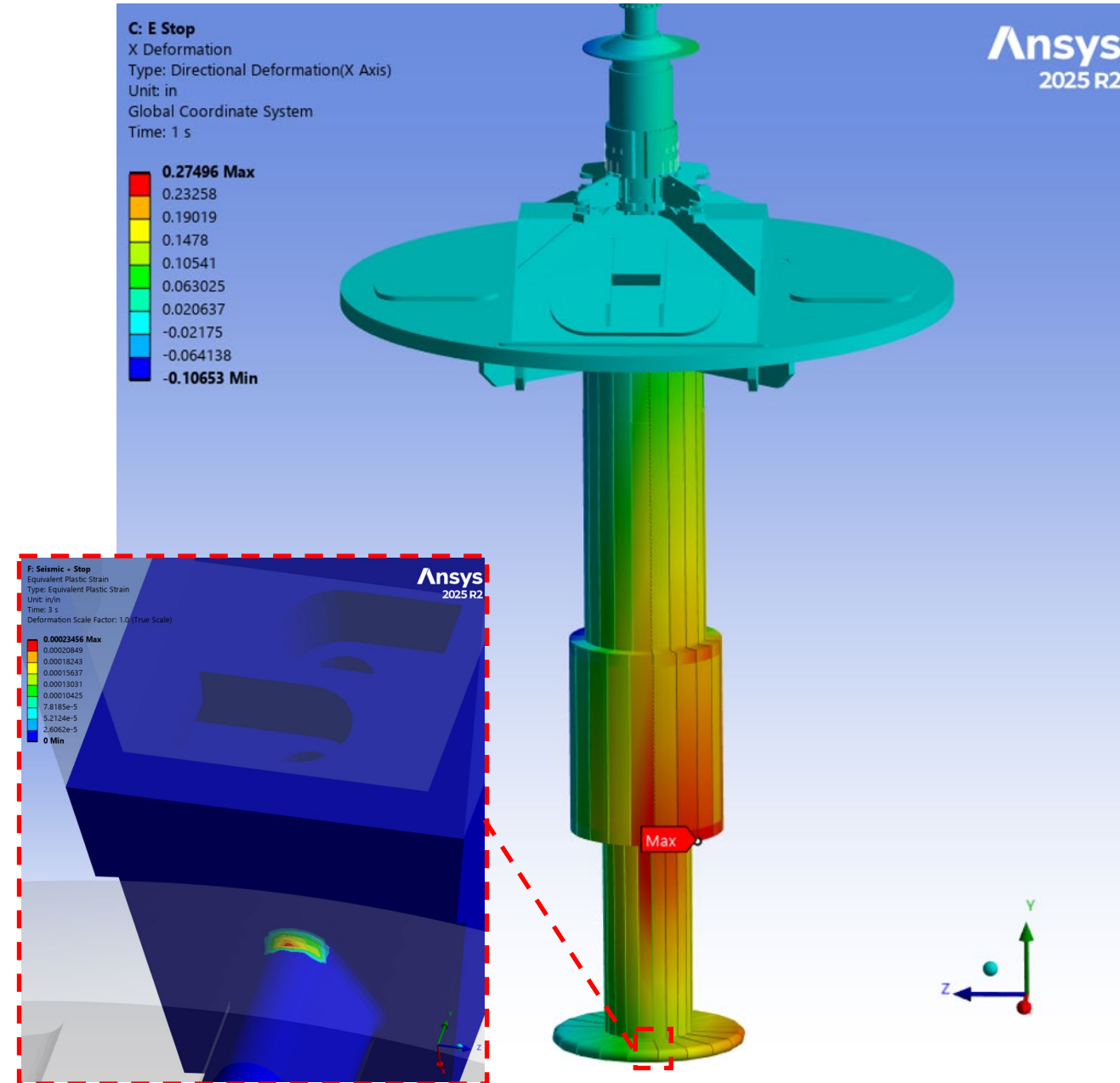
— A Winding-480 Vac / B Winding-400 Vac — C Winding-240 Vac

An oversized motor can also abruptly stop

Items that survive a peak torque stop:

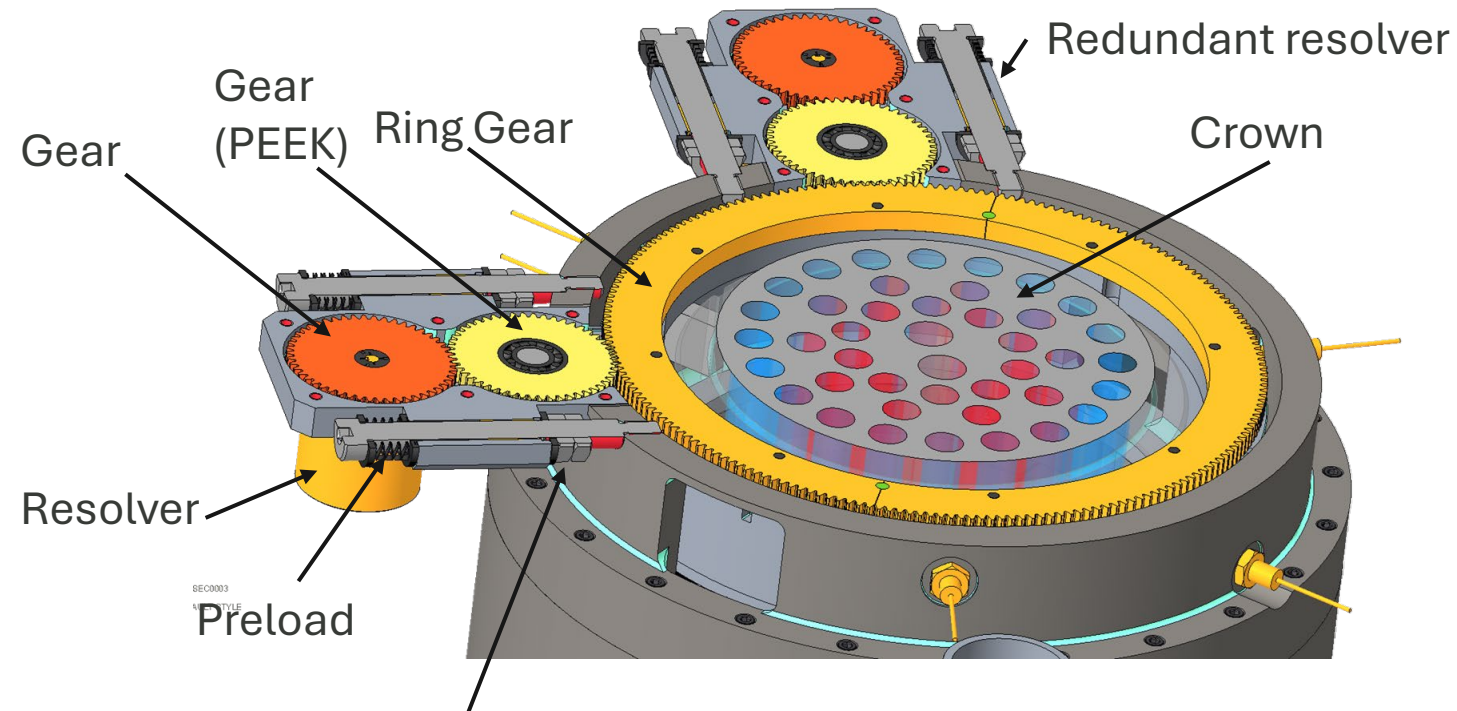
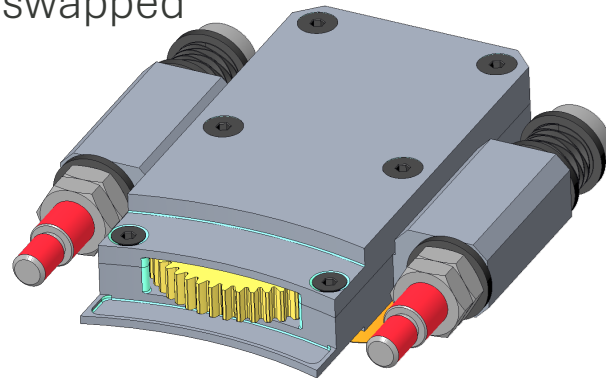
- Keyways
- Shaft (S0302000-DAC10002) ✓
- Segment(S0302000-DAC10002)
- Segment pin (S0302000-DAC10002)
- Bolted connections (S0302000-DAC10002 & S03020000-DAC10005)
- Dowels (S03020000-DAC10005)

Peak capacity = 2,400 Nm
(intermittent duty)

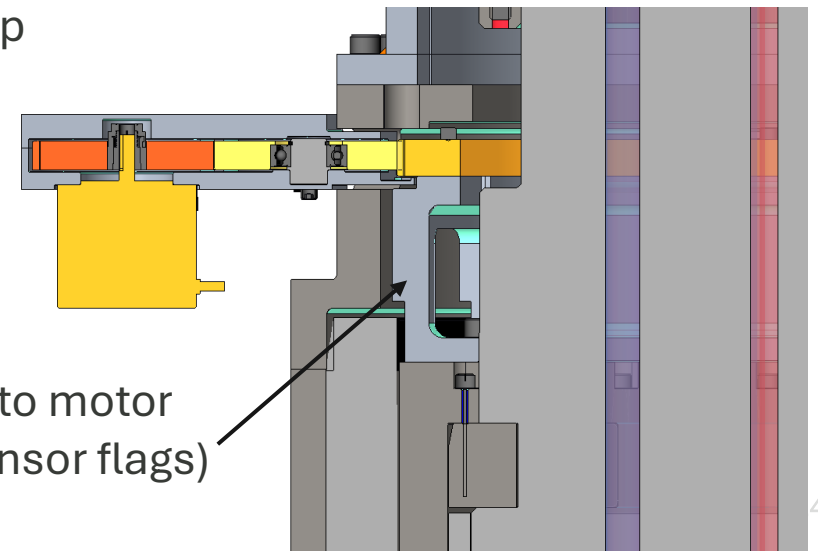


The resolver provides rotational feedback to the control system

- Resolver for radiation environment (2 Mgy)
- Accuracy: 10 arcmin (0.016 deg)
- Redundant for additional reliability
- Coupled with homing flag for precise positioning (relative & absolute position knowledge)
- Modified bushings and bores from COTS gearing
- PEEK gearing to avoid hard or magnetic schwarf from falling into rotor/stator gap
- Resolver can be easily swapped



Min engagement stop

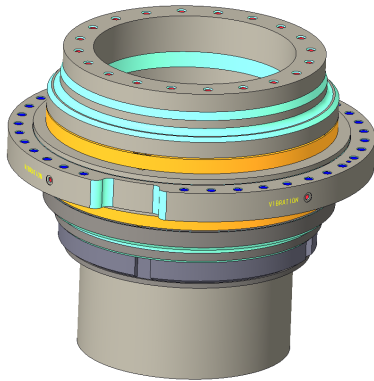


Feedback ring bolts to motor
(resolver ring and sensor flags)

Bearings have increased in precision as the design moved into tolerancing and drawings

CAD Modeling and Analysis

- Can it carry the loads?
- Is the lifetime adequate?
- Does it fit within the envelope?
- Can it be built?
- Radiation tolerance? ✓

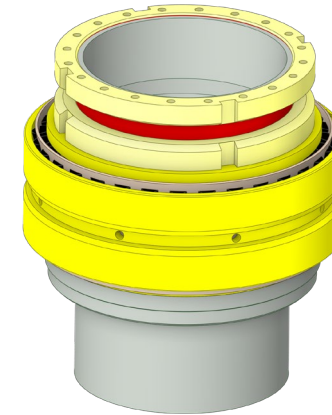


Can it be built, toleranced, preloaded, and kept lash-free with predictable stiffness?

Drawing Detailing

What are appropriate:

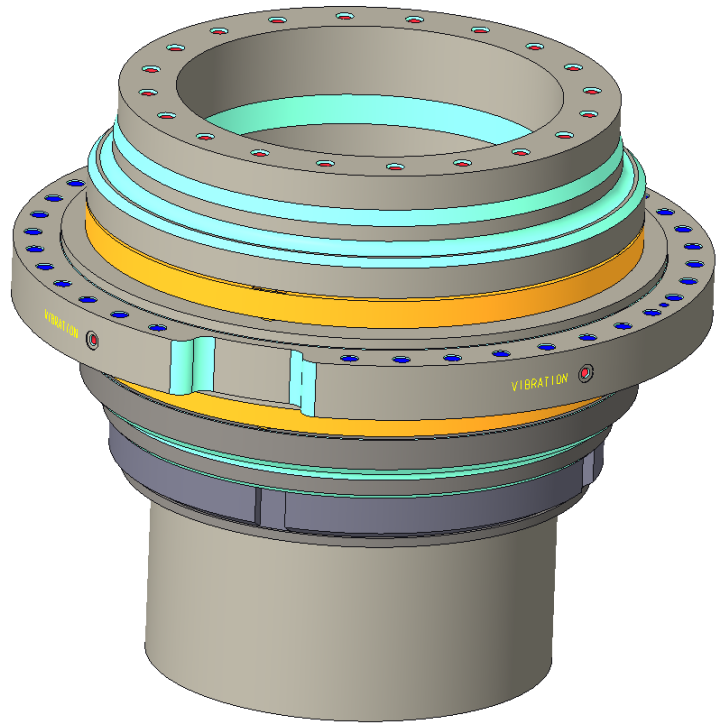
- Tolerances?
- Surface roughness?
- Fits?
- Clearances?
- Preload values?



Precision occurs during drawing detailing

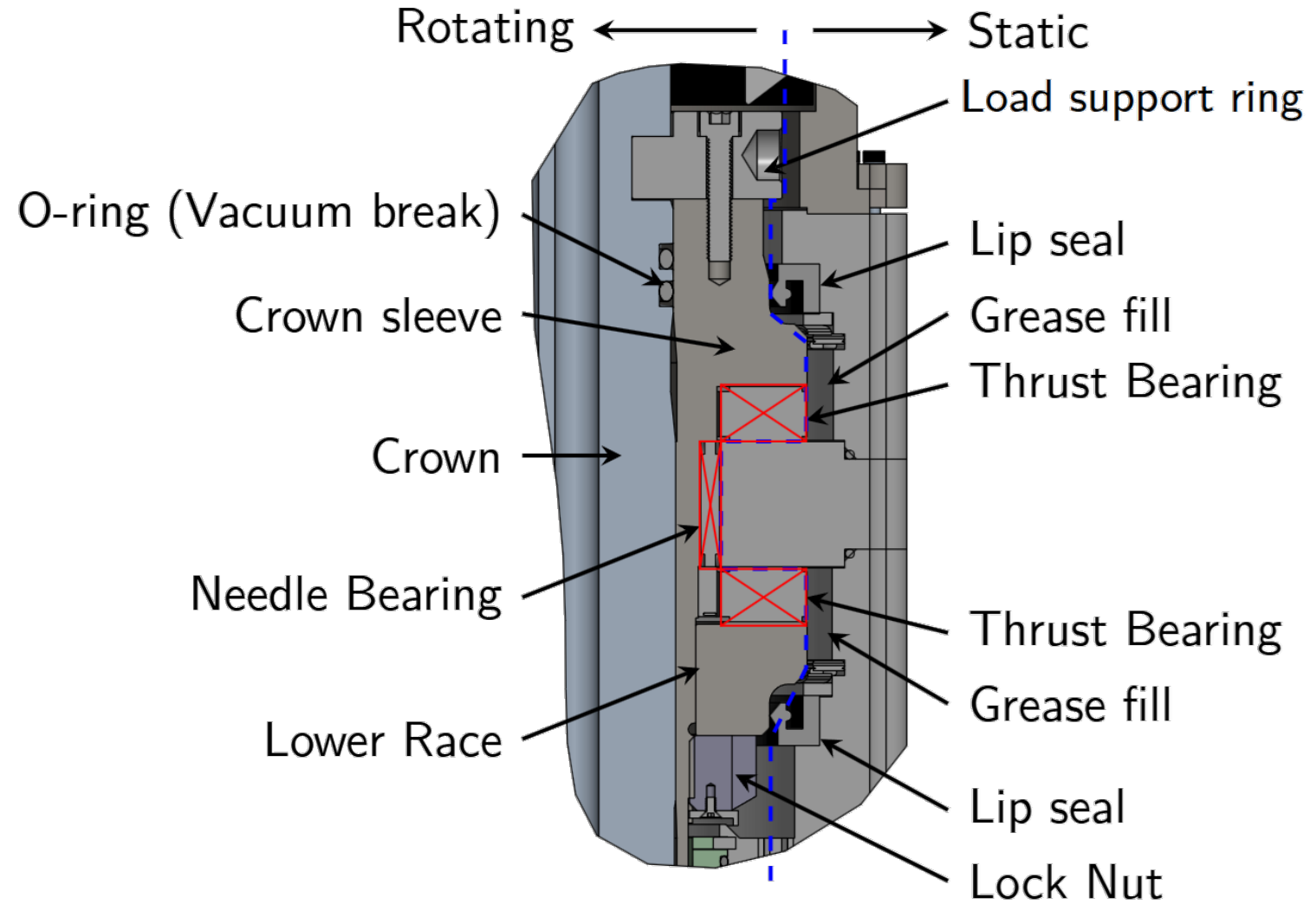
- **The documentation package reflects the current baseline**
- **Since that package was frozen for FDR documentation additional detailing work has been completed beyond FDR expectations**
- **Today's presentation will**
 - Summarize what is in current documents
 - Present recommended update & impacts

Baseline - Bearing General arrangement



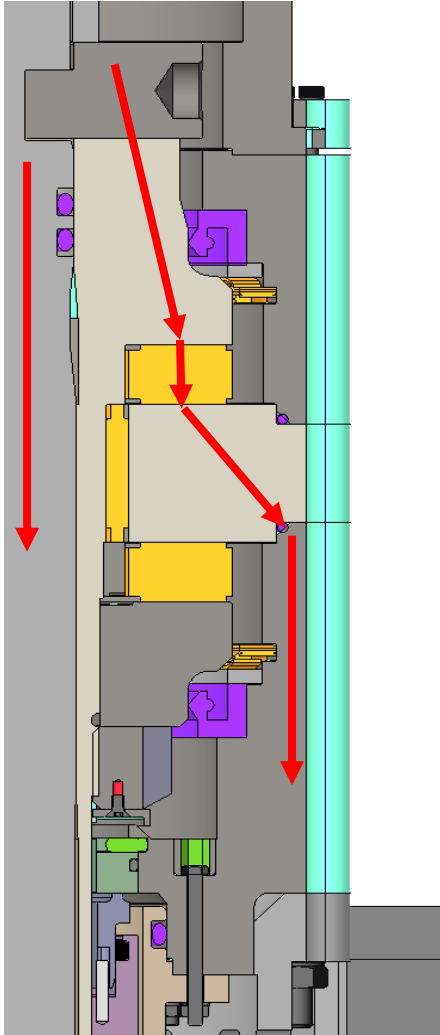
Current bearing arrangement in

- Design Description
- Machine Design Calcs
- Preliminary Drawings

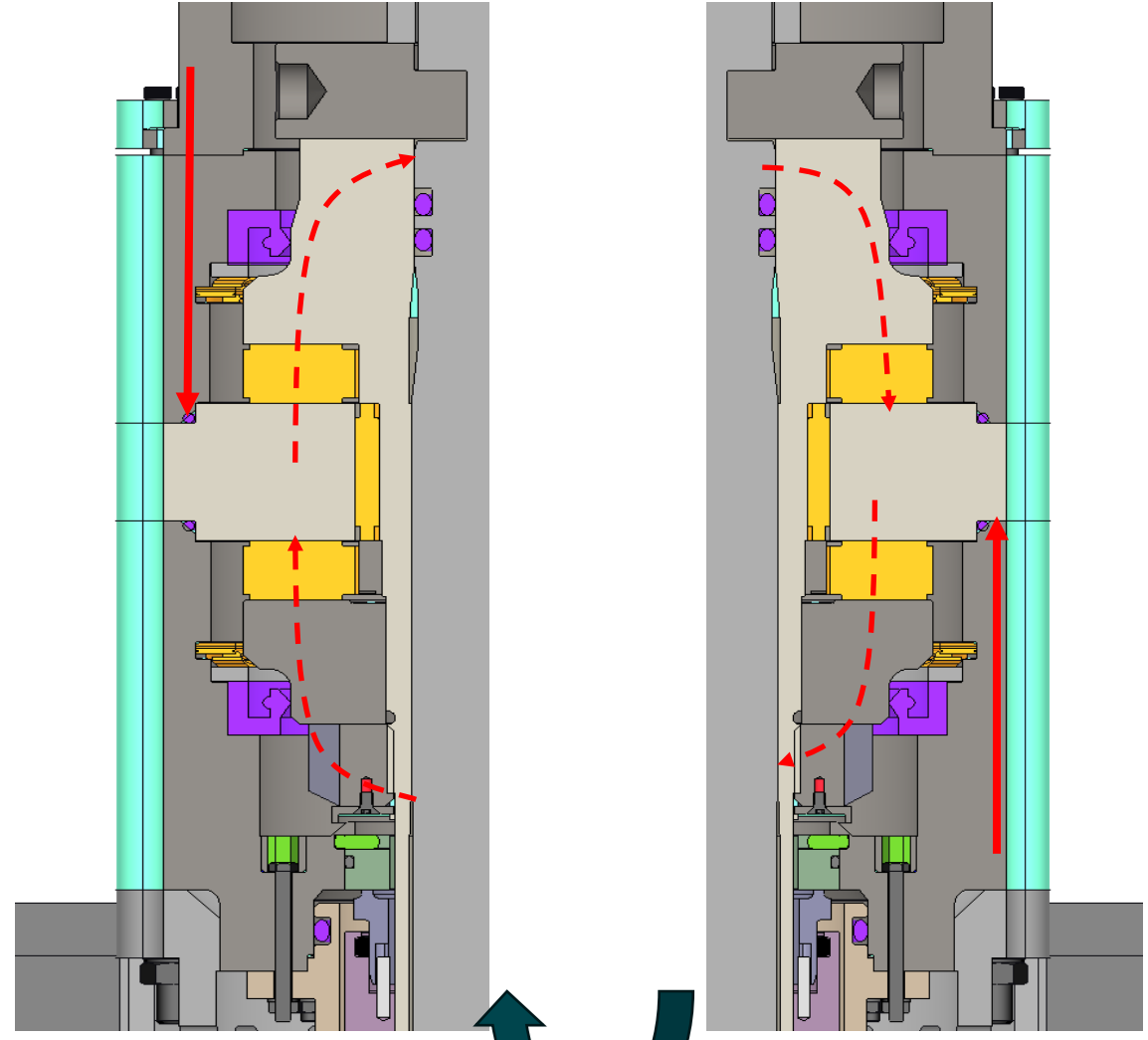


Baseline - Load paths through the bearing set

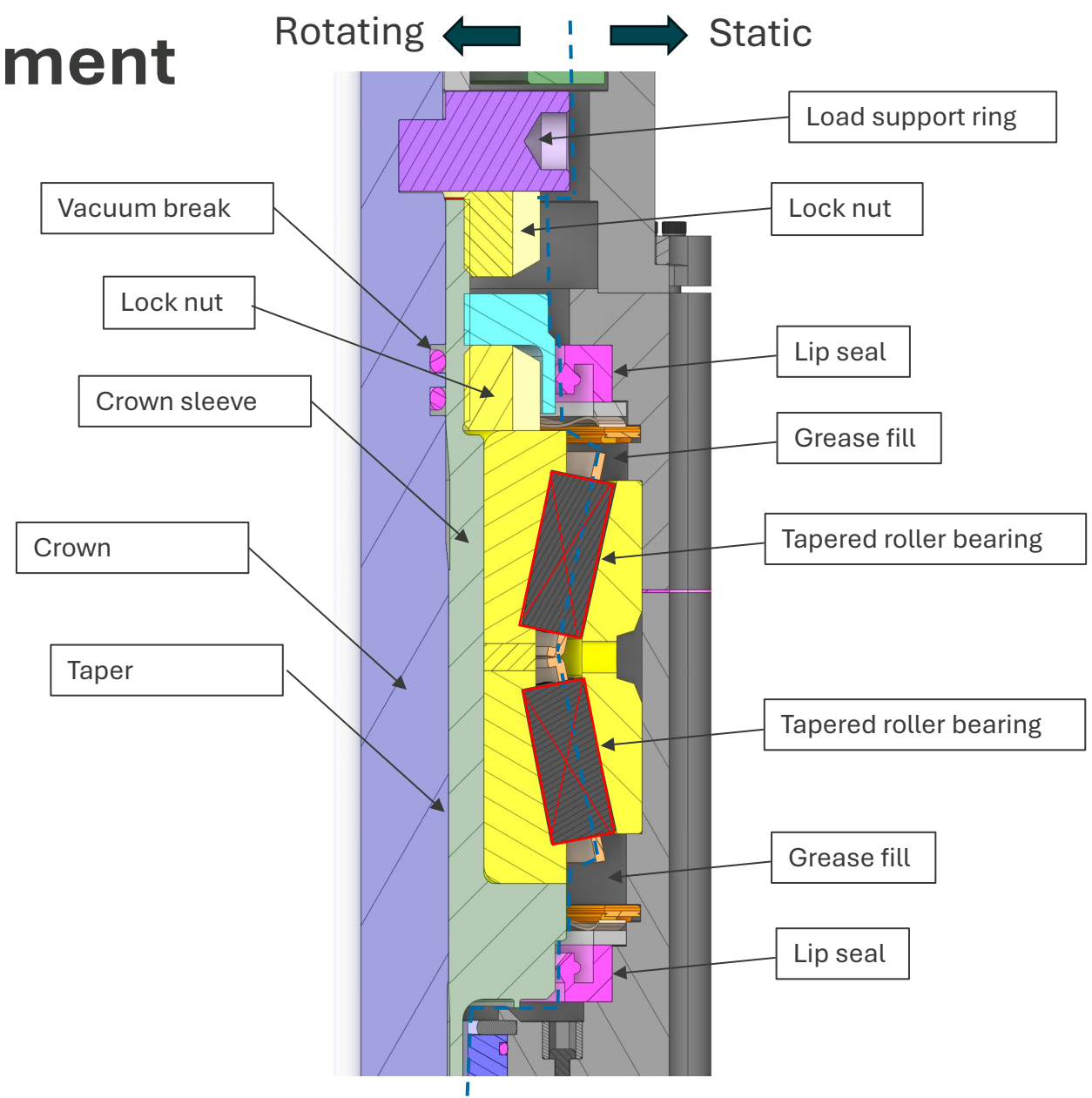
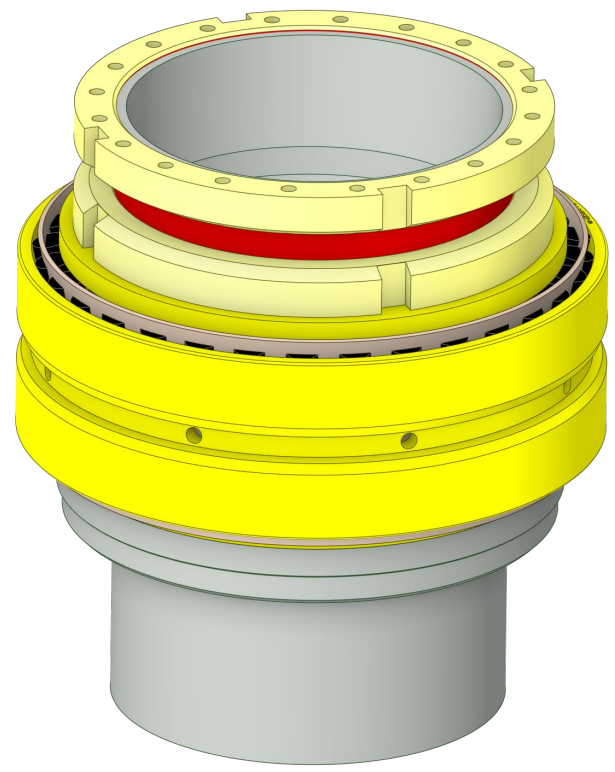
Gravity (thrust load)



Couple (Imbalance & seismic)

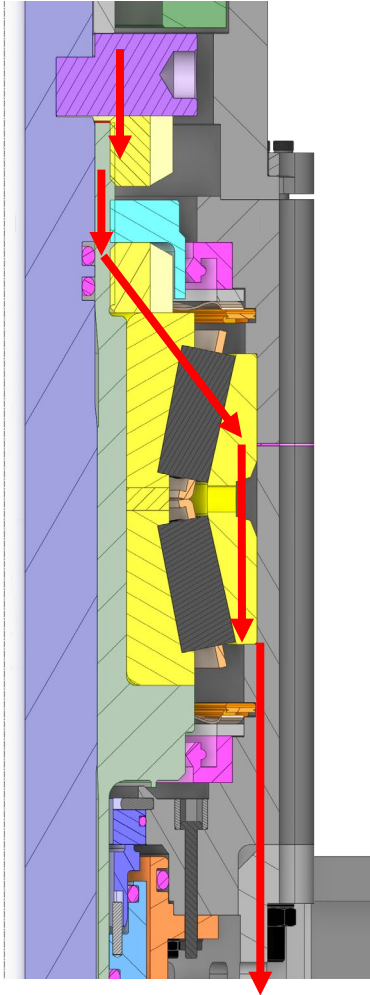


Recommended bearing arrangement for drawing release

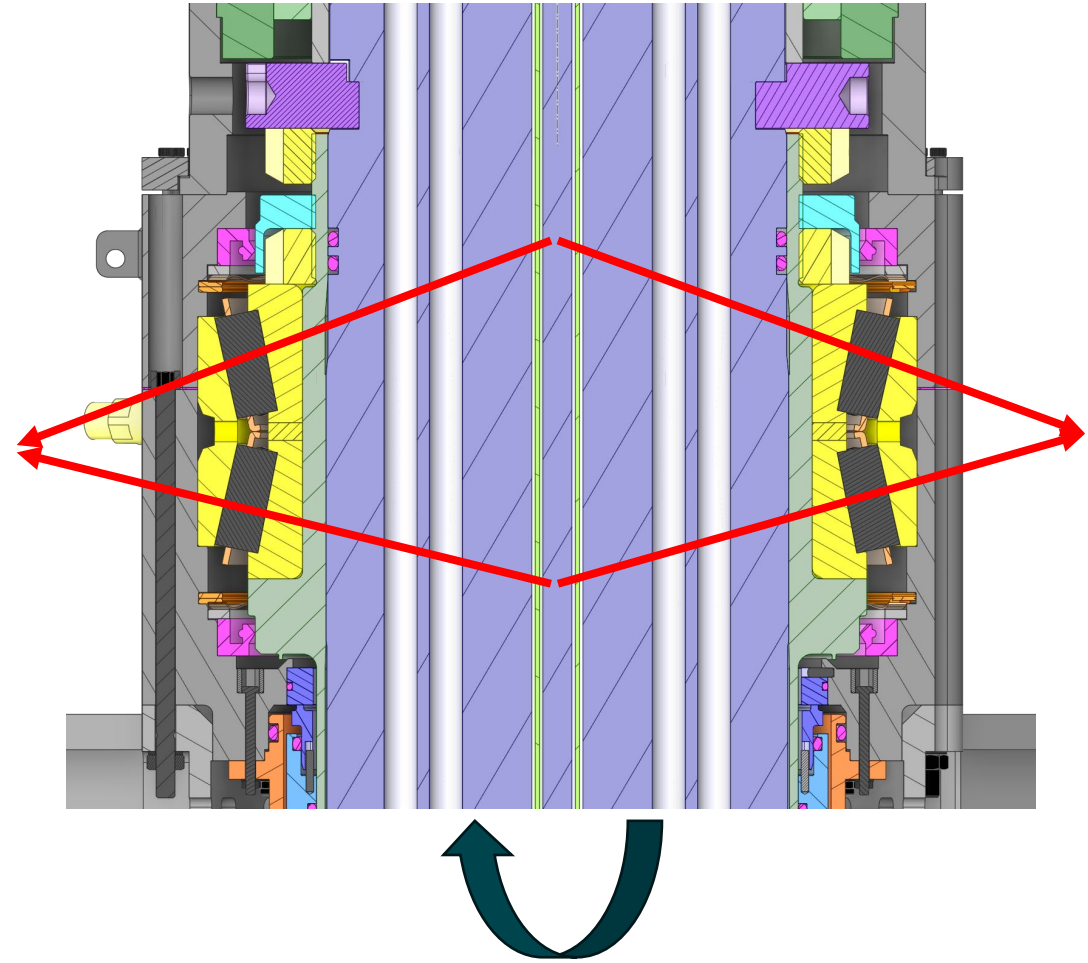


Recommended bearing improves imbalance load path and tolerances while maintaining thrust capacity

Gravity



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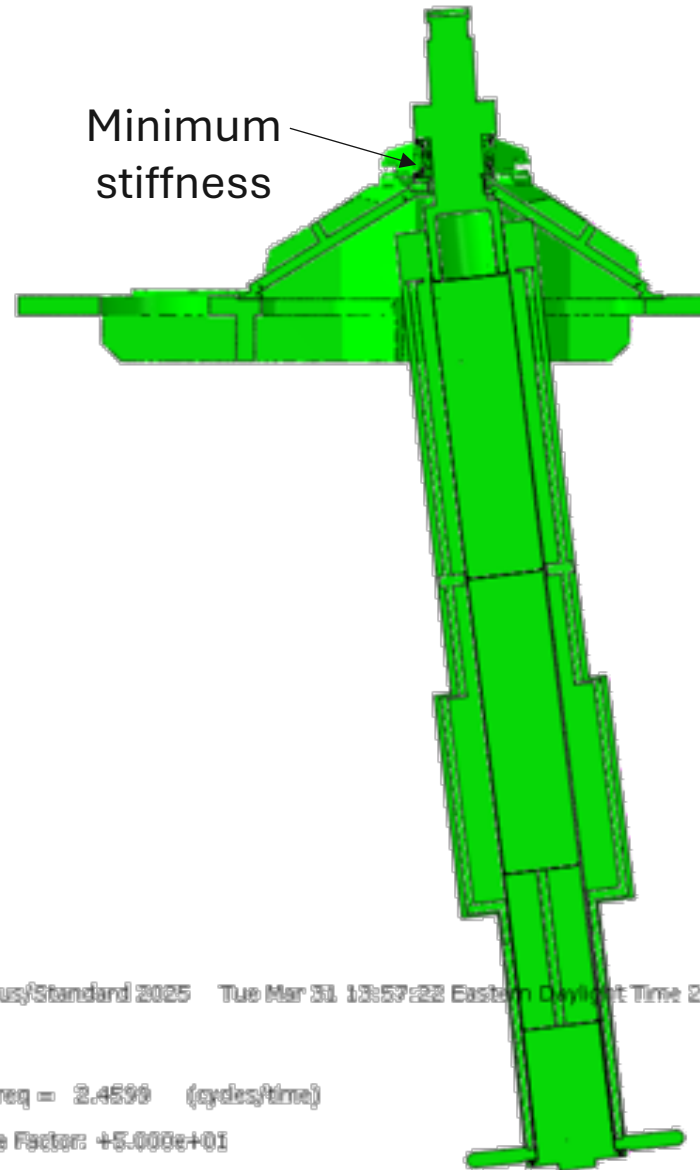


System stiffness is dominated by tolerances along load paths

Mode 1 = 2.5 Hz

Excitation=0.75 Hz (45 rpm)

- 35 kg-m eccentric: deflection <0.5mm
- Assumes bearing are perfectly rigid
- Lower shaft and lid are quite stiff
- Reduction in cross section for bearings and seals reduces stiffness
- How stiff is the load path between the lid and the shaft?

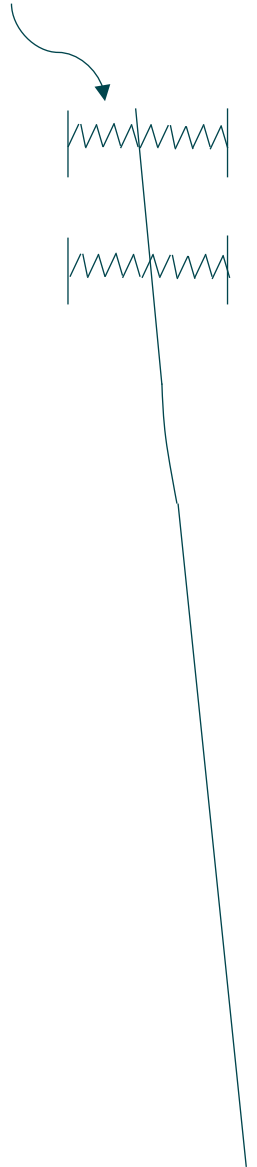
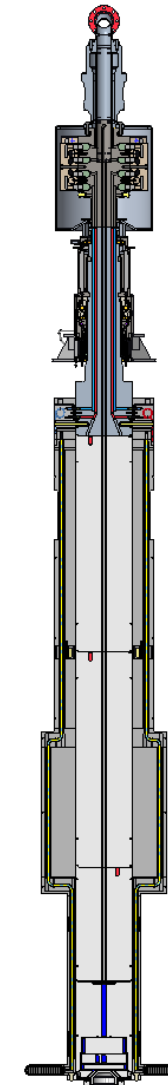


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38 Freq = 2.4596 (cycles/time)

39 Scale Factor: +5.000e+01

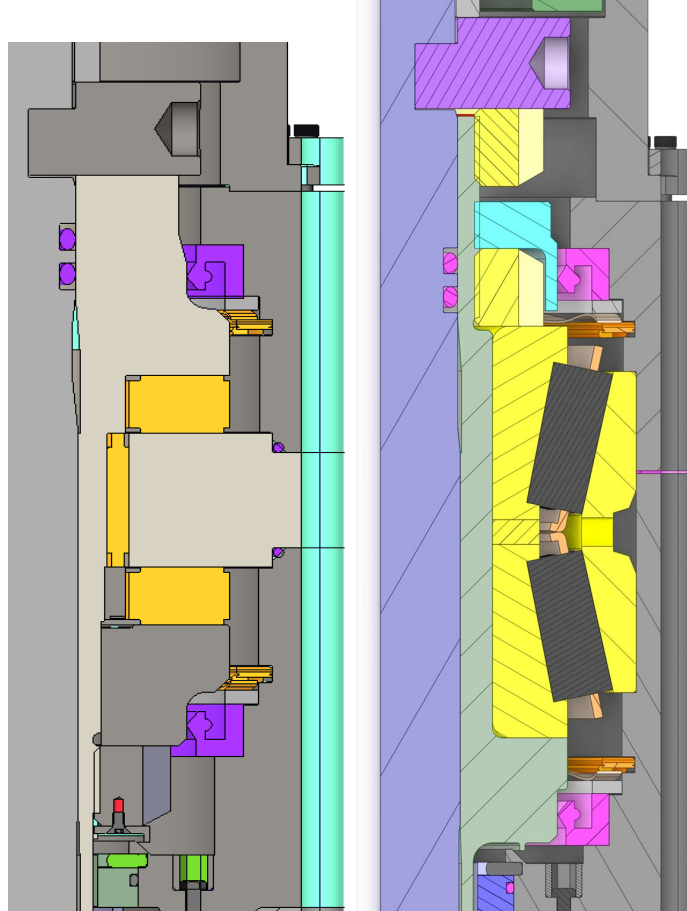
Stiffness – depends upon clearances and bearing stiffness
 $K_{\text{gap}}=0!$



Recommended arrangement for drawing release will improve stiffness and reduce time to prepare drawings

Baseline - Thrust & Radial

- Excellent thrust capacity and axial load path
- Chosen for thrust capacity, stack height, and radial envelope
- Detailing and providing the bearing races will be an enormous task
 - Hardness & flatness of the races are difficult to specify without bearing vendor knowledge (not readily available or common conversation)
 - Deflection limits are not published or available for races (limited/no vendor support)



Not quite drop-in replacement,
but close!
Both require taper

Drawing Release - Tapered Roller

- Excellent shaft stability & thrust behavior
- Assembly (w/ races) provided by bearing vendor
- Excellent vendor support for system (common bearing)
- Clear load path (thrust AND radial)
- Stiffer arrangement to resist imbalance
- Easier & faster to detail

Deployment

- CAD update (off-line model)
- Machine design calcs (rough draft complete)
- Timken internal review

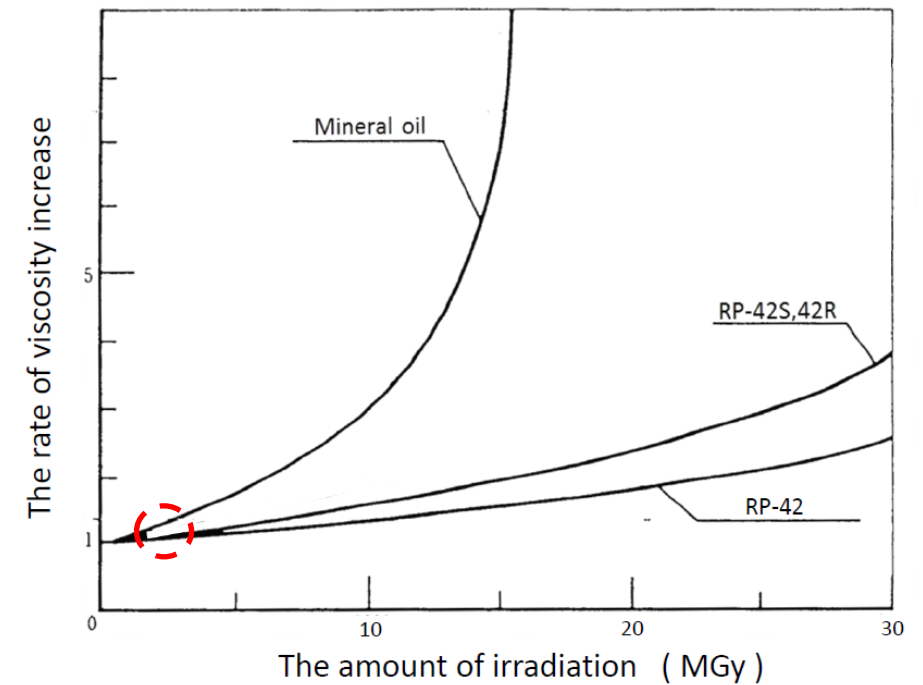
Grease selection

Select: Moresco RG-42-1

- Must be compatible with selected polymers
- Must have adequate viscosity for bearing protection
- Must have viscosity for reducing friction
- Must be compatible with radiation resistant seals

The Range of The Grease Types Products

Product name	MORESCO-HIRAD RG-42-0	MORESCO-HIRAD RG-42-1	MORESCO-HIRAD RG-42-2	MORESCO-HIRAD RG-42R-0	MORESCO-HIRAD RG-42R-1	MORESCO-HIRAD RG-42R-2	MORESCO-HIRAD RG-42S-0	MORESCO-HIRAD RG-42S-1	MORESCO-HIRAD RG-42S-2
Consistency number of NLGI	0	1	2	0	1	2	0	1	2
Consistency	355~385	310~340	265~295	355~385	310~340	265~295	355~385	310~340	265~295
Oil Separation (%) 100 dC x 24 h	No data	< 4	< 1	No data	< 4	< 1	No data	< 4	< 1
Dropping point dC	No data	>300	>300	No data	>300	>300	No data	>300	>300
Base oil		RP-42			RP-42R			RP-42S	
Thickener	Inorganic								
Type of packing	1kg can								



	Ethylene propylene	Nitrile	High-Nitrile	Fluorine	Chloroprene	Silicon
RP-42	○	×	×	○	×	○
RP-42R	×	○	no data	○	×	○
RP-42S	×	×	×	○	×	○
A Mineral oil (Paraffinic)	×	○	○	○	○	○

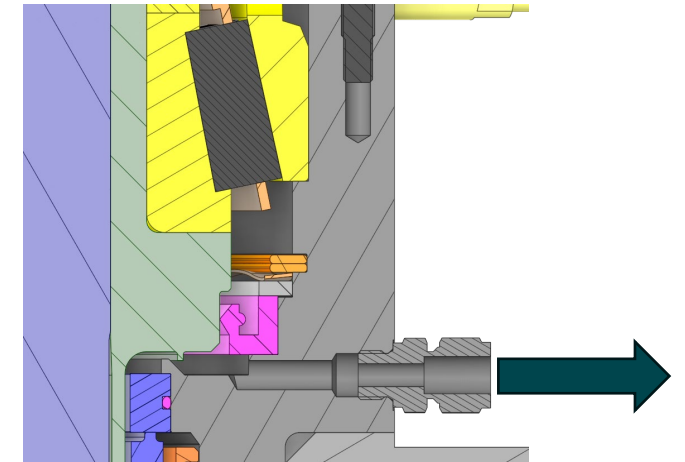
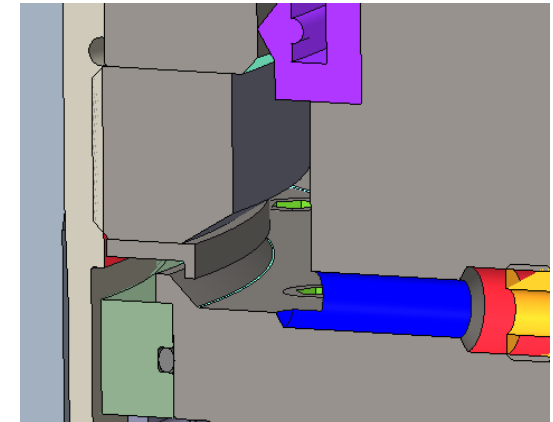
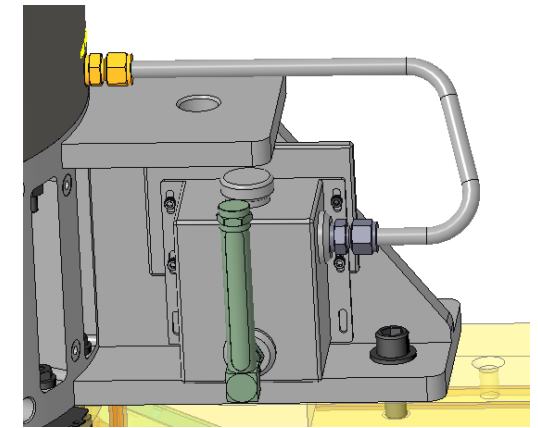
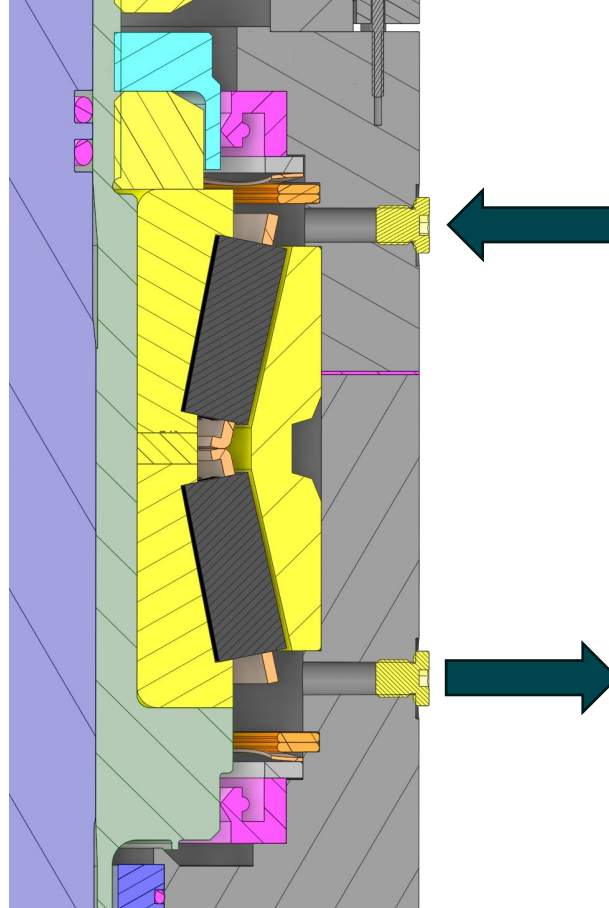
○ = Compatible × = Incompatible

Grease containment & replacement

- Grease packed in bearings prior to install
- Push grease into housing
- Drain or Push old degrease out
- Configured for oil circulation upgrade
- Catch drain for visual monitoring and disposal
- Care must be taken during fill or purge not to exceed pressure of seals
- Oil “umbrella” prevents ingress of lubricant into vacuum seal

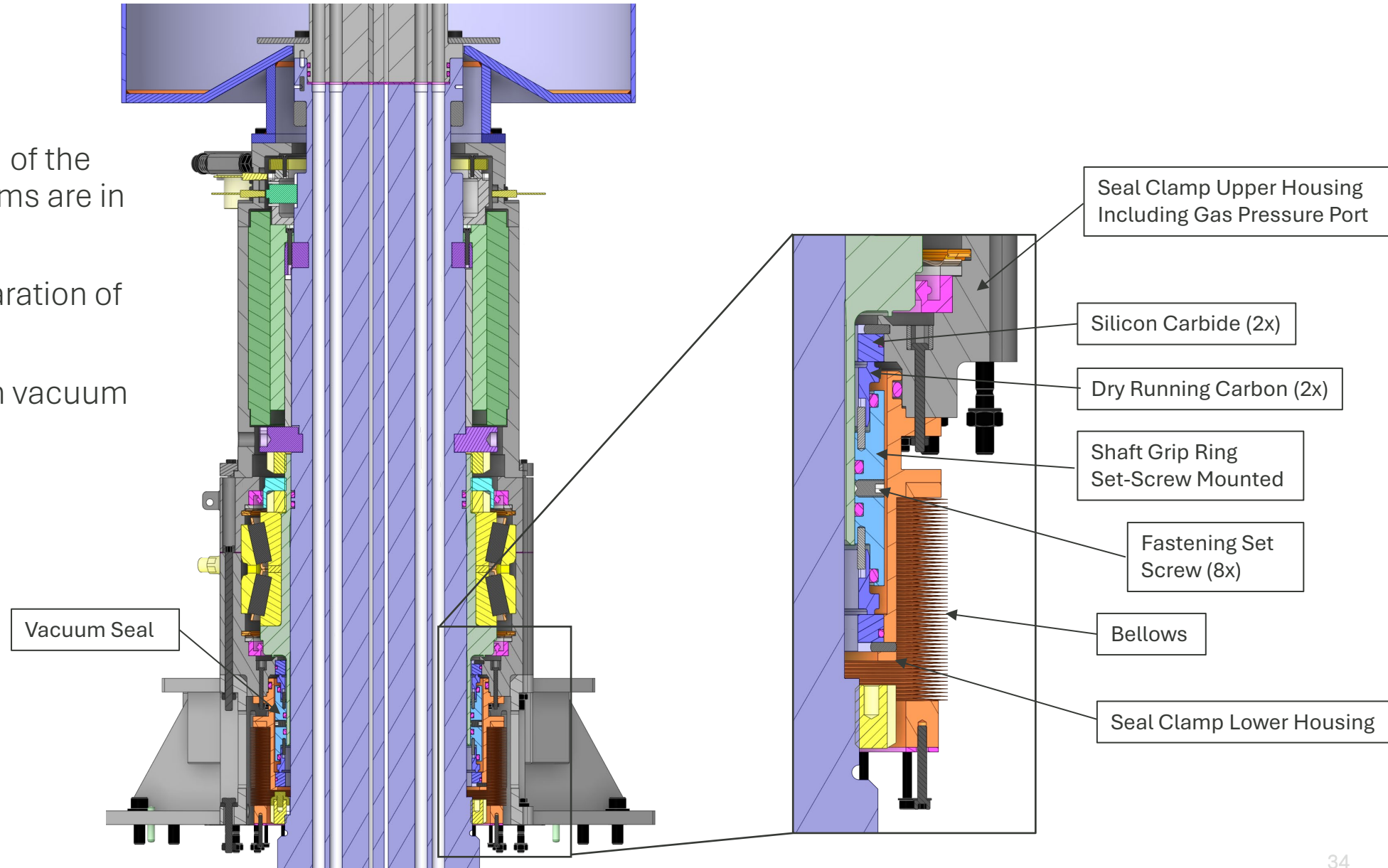


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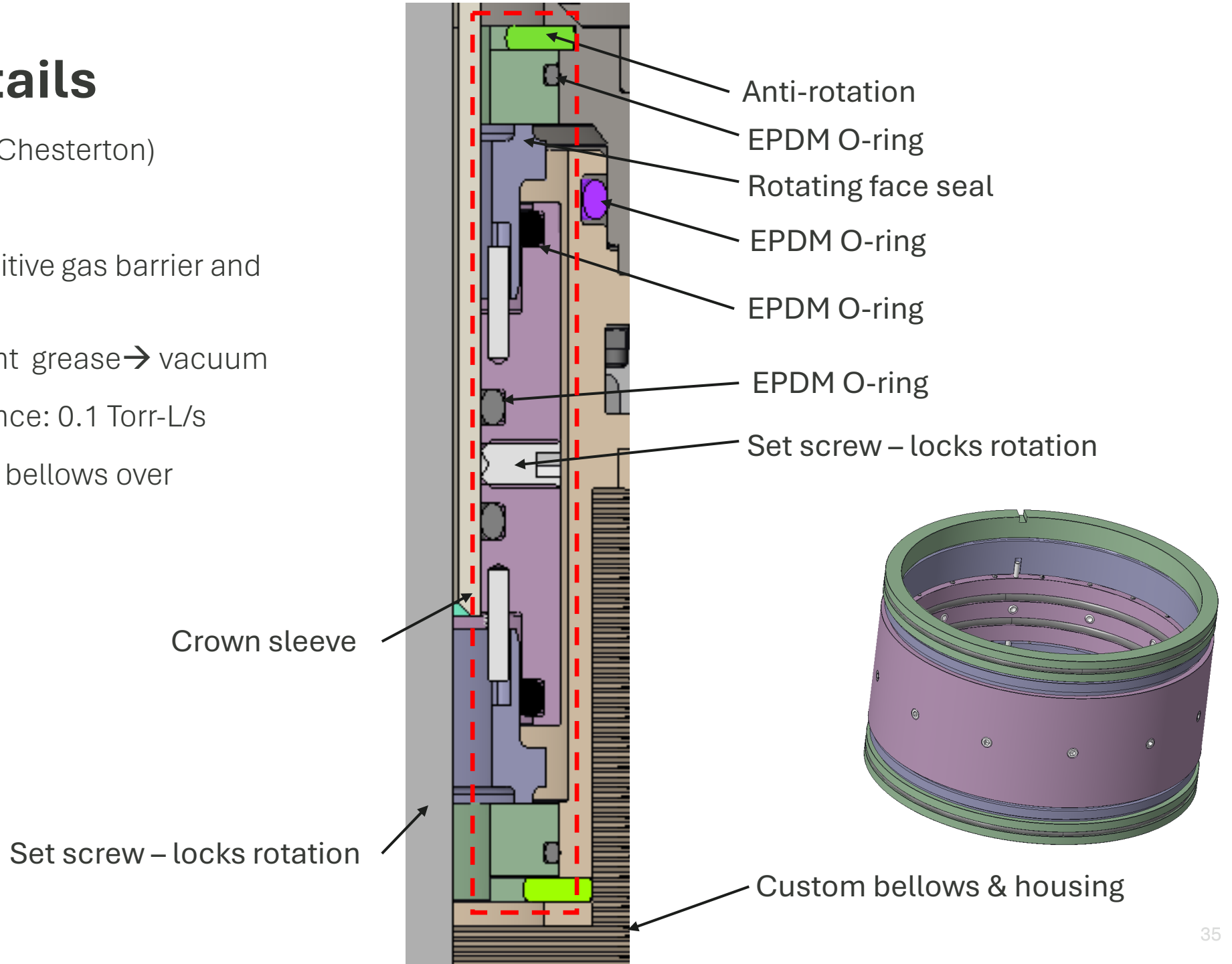
Rotary vacuum seal – general location

- Located at the bottom of the stack to ensure all items are in ambient
- Gas pad ensures separation of grease from vacuum
- Provides seal between vacuum and rotary sections



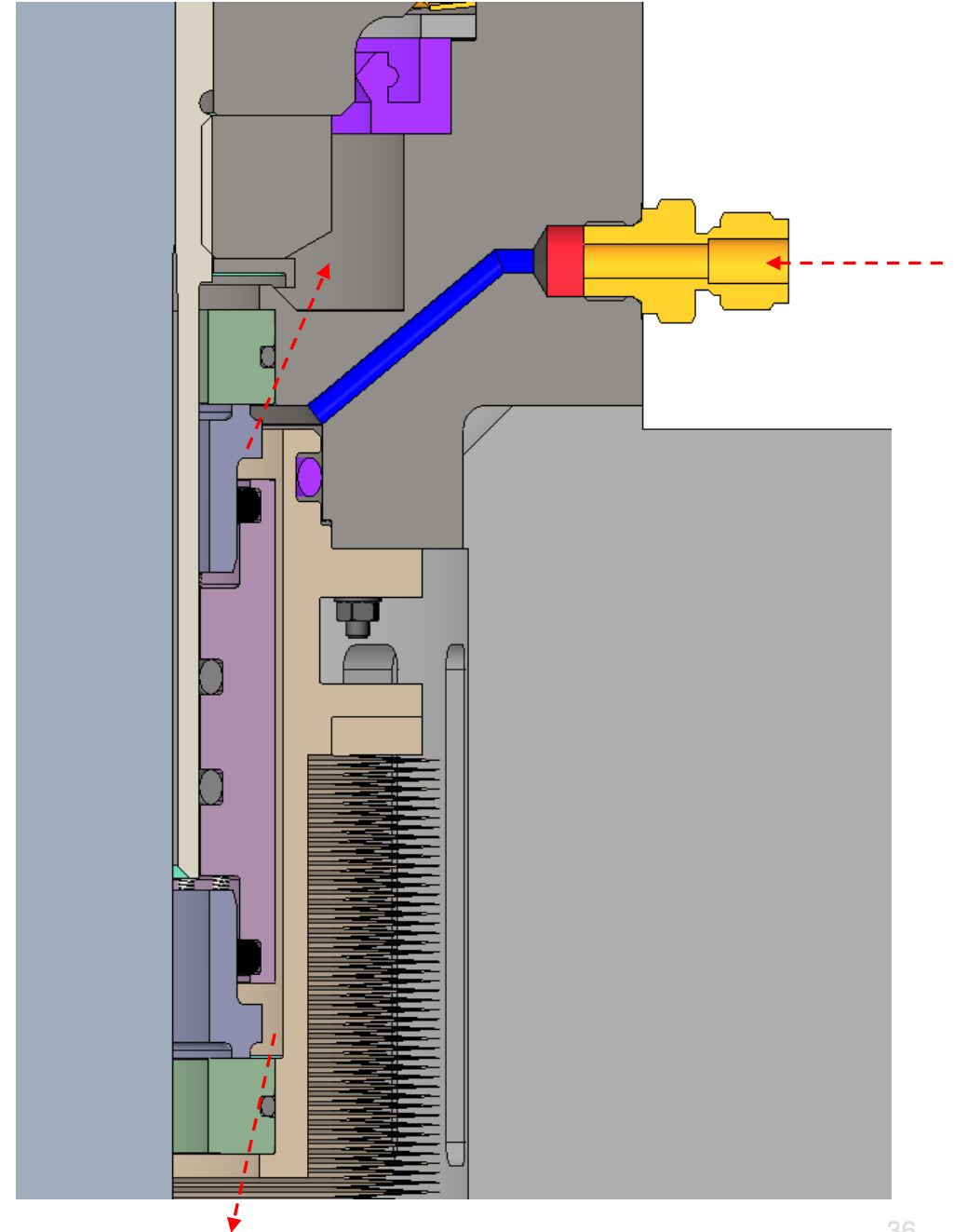
Rotary seal details

- Off the Shelf component (Chesterton)
- Dry running face seal
- Double seal to provide positive gas barrier and redundancy
- Helium gas purge to prevent grease → vacuum
- Generous leak rate allowance: 0.1 Torr-L/s
- Installed on Crown Sleeve, bellows over



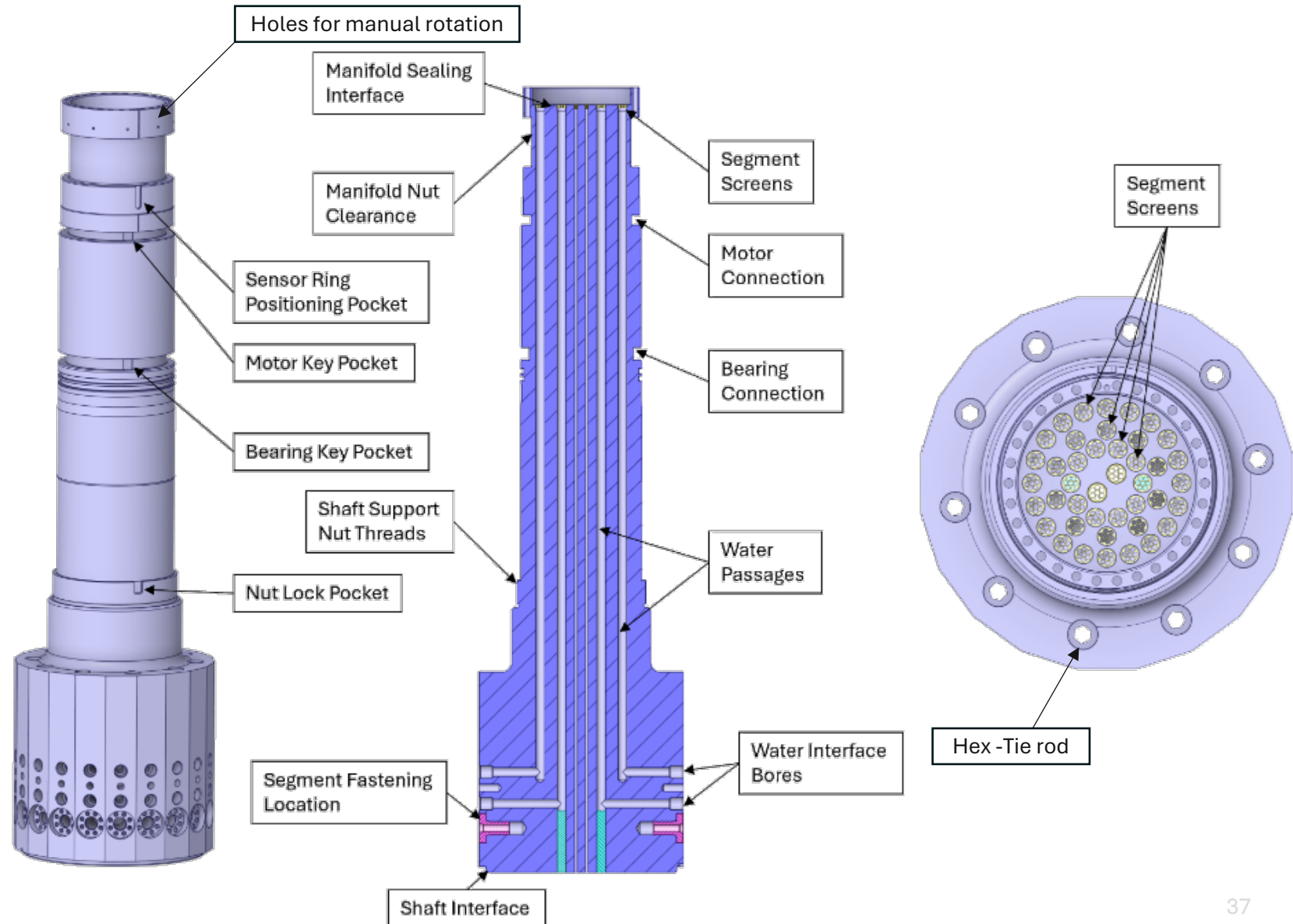
Helium pathway

- Helium pressure: 7 psig
- Control pressure; monitor mass flow rate
- Helium into drive
- Helium into core vessel
- Prevent grease into the core vessel
 - Vent if loss of helium

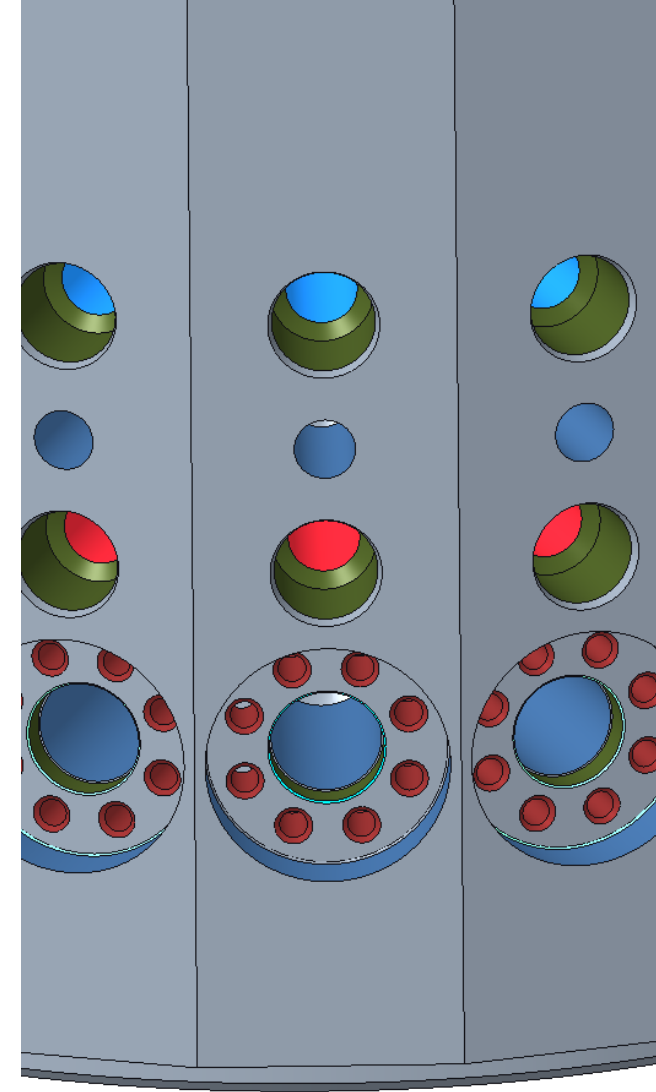
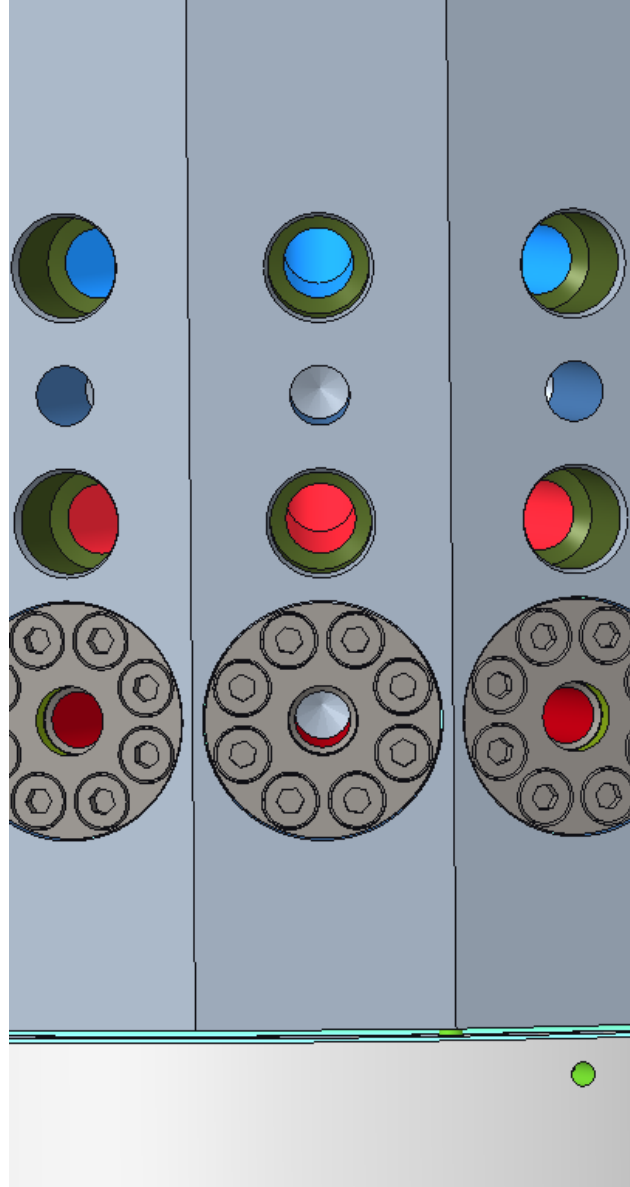
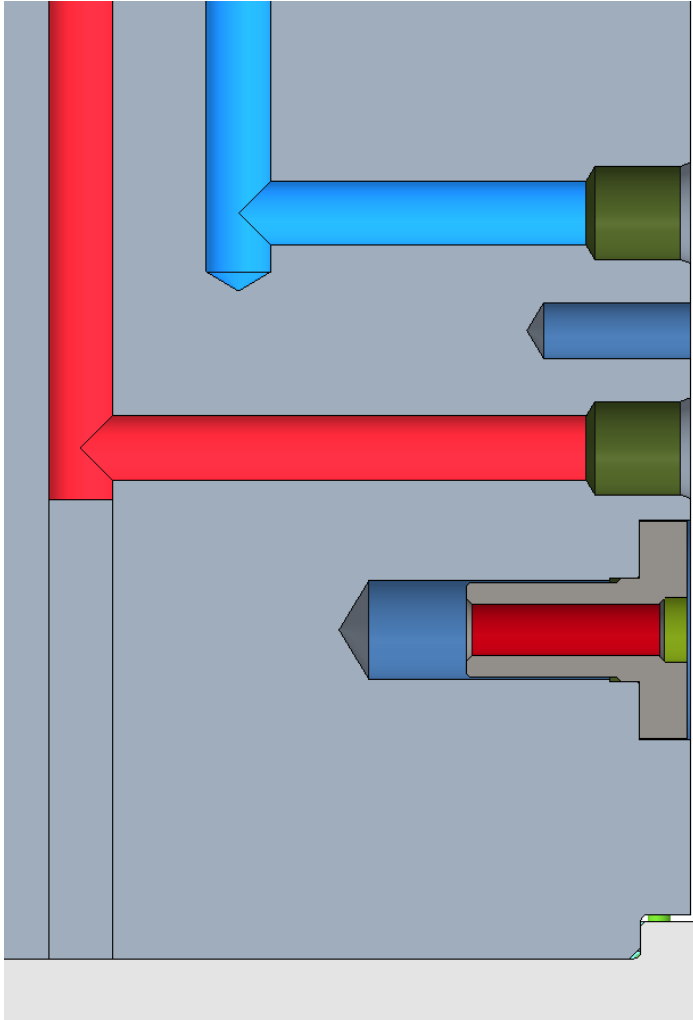


The crown houses multiple features for the drive and shaft

- Material: Inconel 625 (corrosion resistance & ductility)
- Involves accuracy deep drilling for water passages
- Fit-up will be important to minimize fretting during operation and maintenance
- Large turning
- Replacement possible in-situ

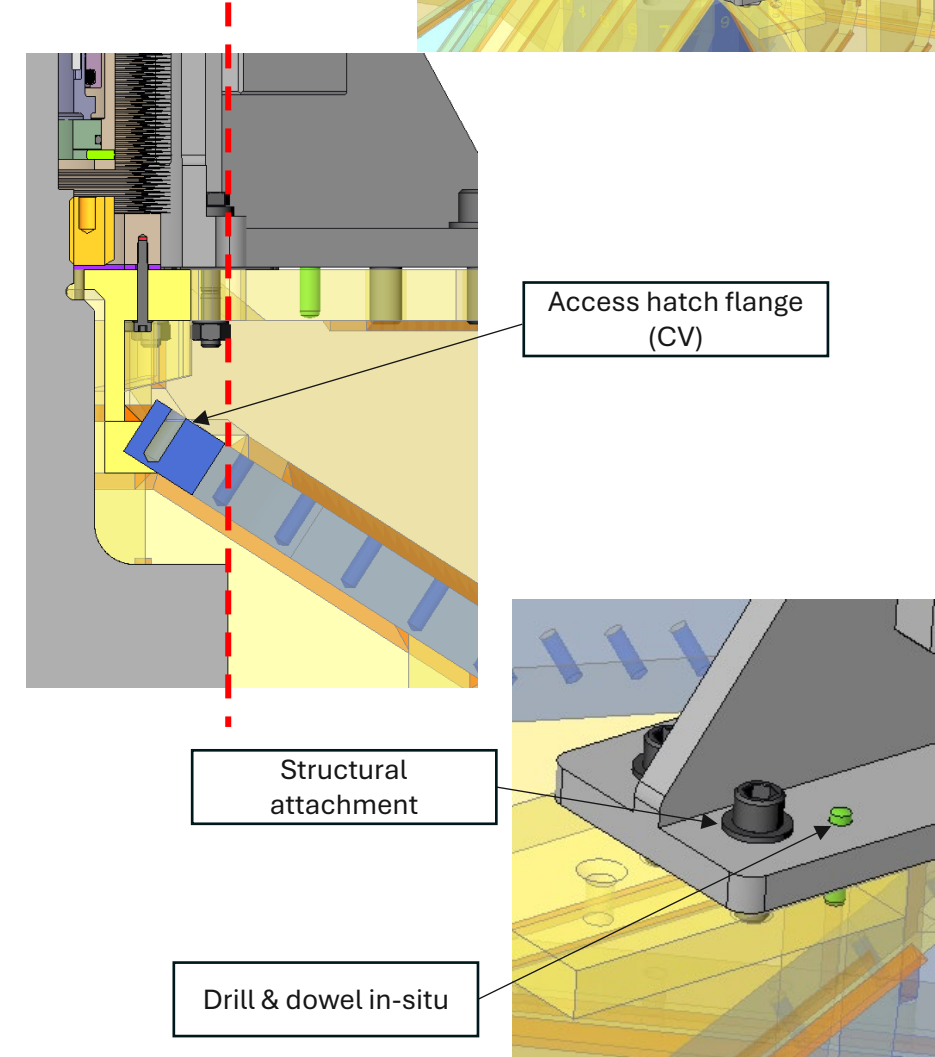
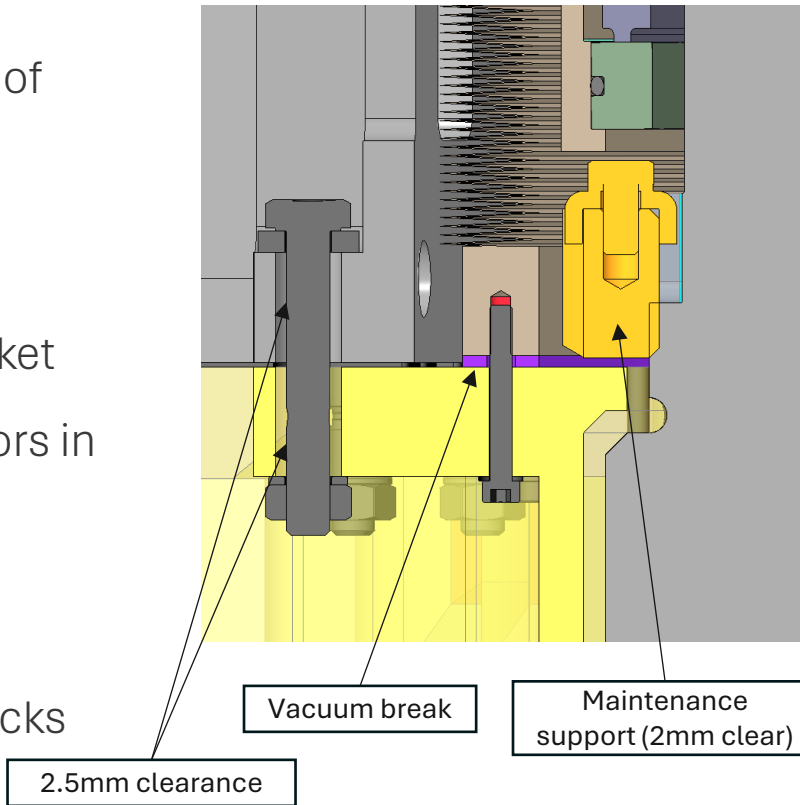


The segment attachment threads are replaceable in-situ



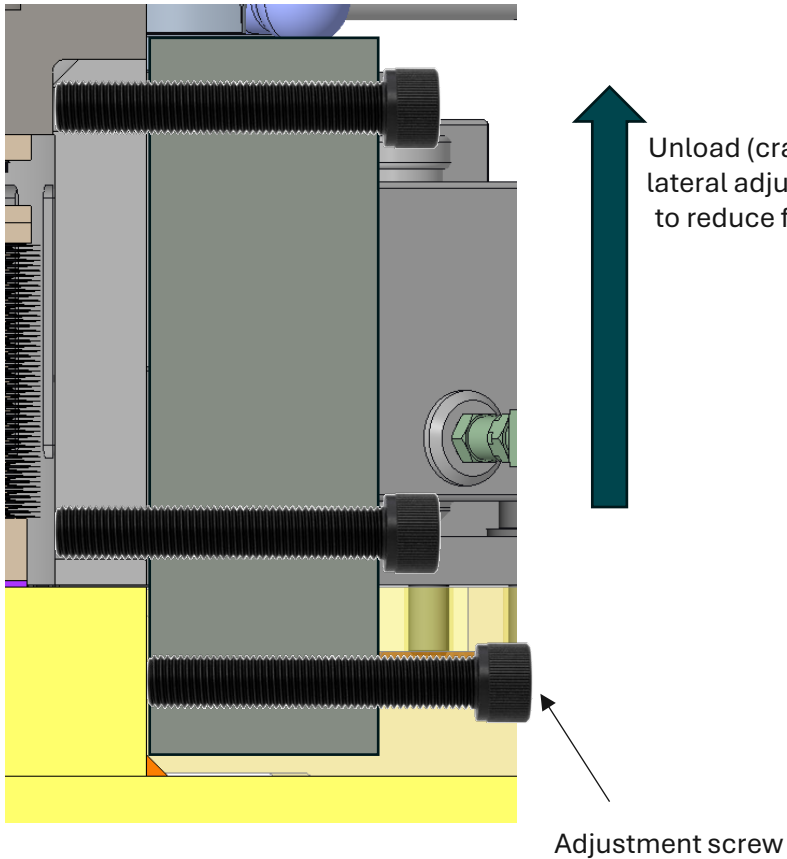
Lid – Target assembly interface

- Maintains repeatable alignment of target for maintenance events
- Ribs increase stiffness of lid (vacuum)
- Static vacuum boundary via gasket
- Must account for +/-5mm of errors in the CV lid. (all directions)
- Provides vertical support during bearing removal
- Initial alignment with pusher blocks
- Dowel in-situ
- Access hatch removal is tight!

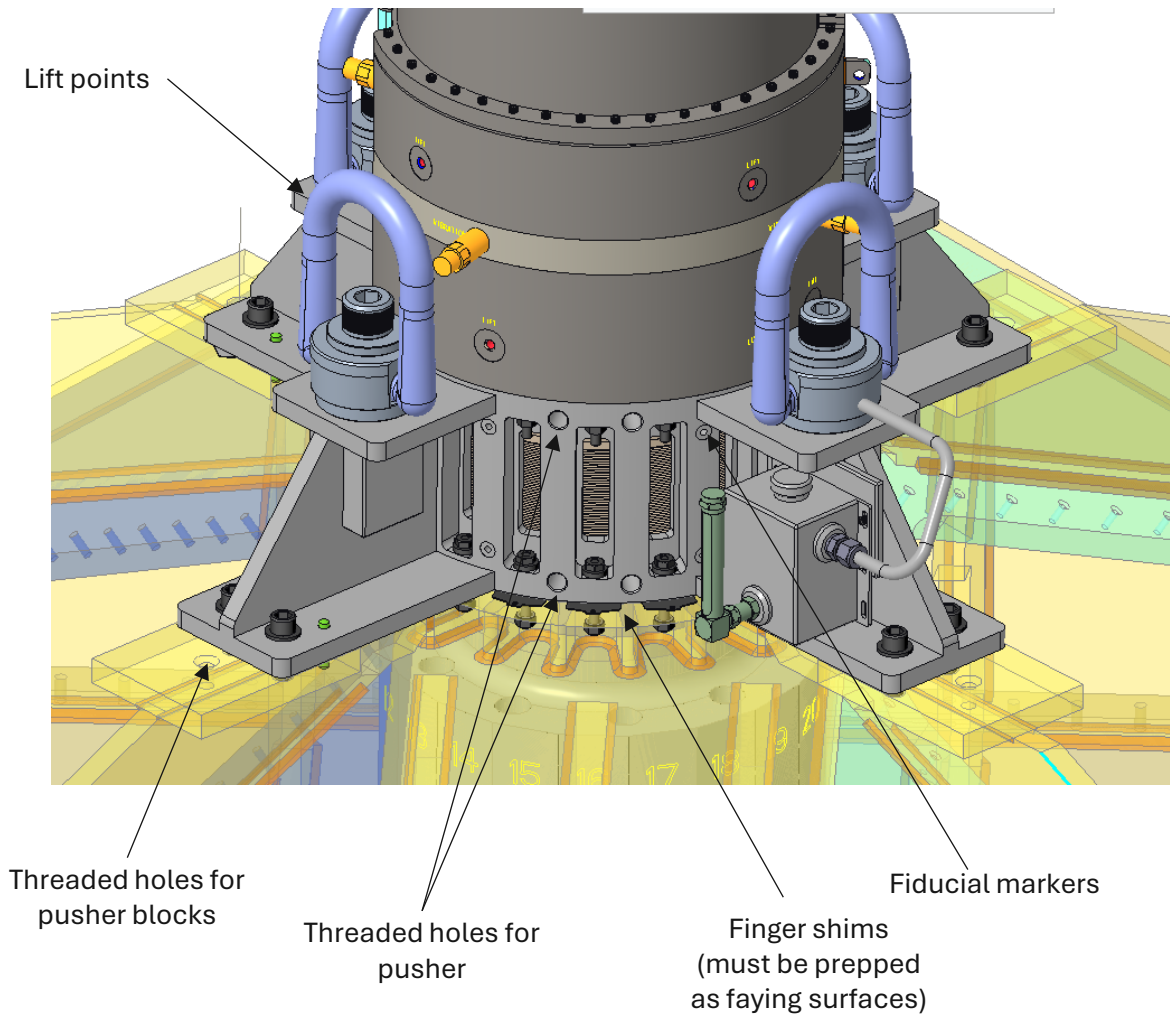


Initial positioning features – alignment within 1mm using shim and pusher blocks

Pusher block installation tool



Unload (crane) for lateral adjustment to reduce friction

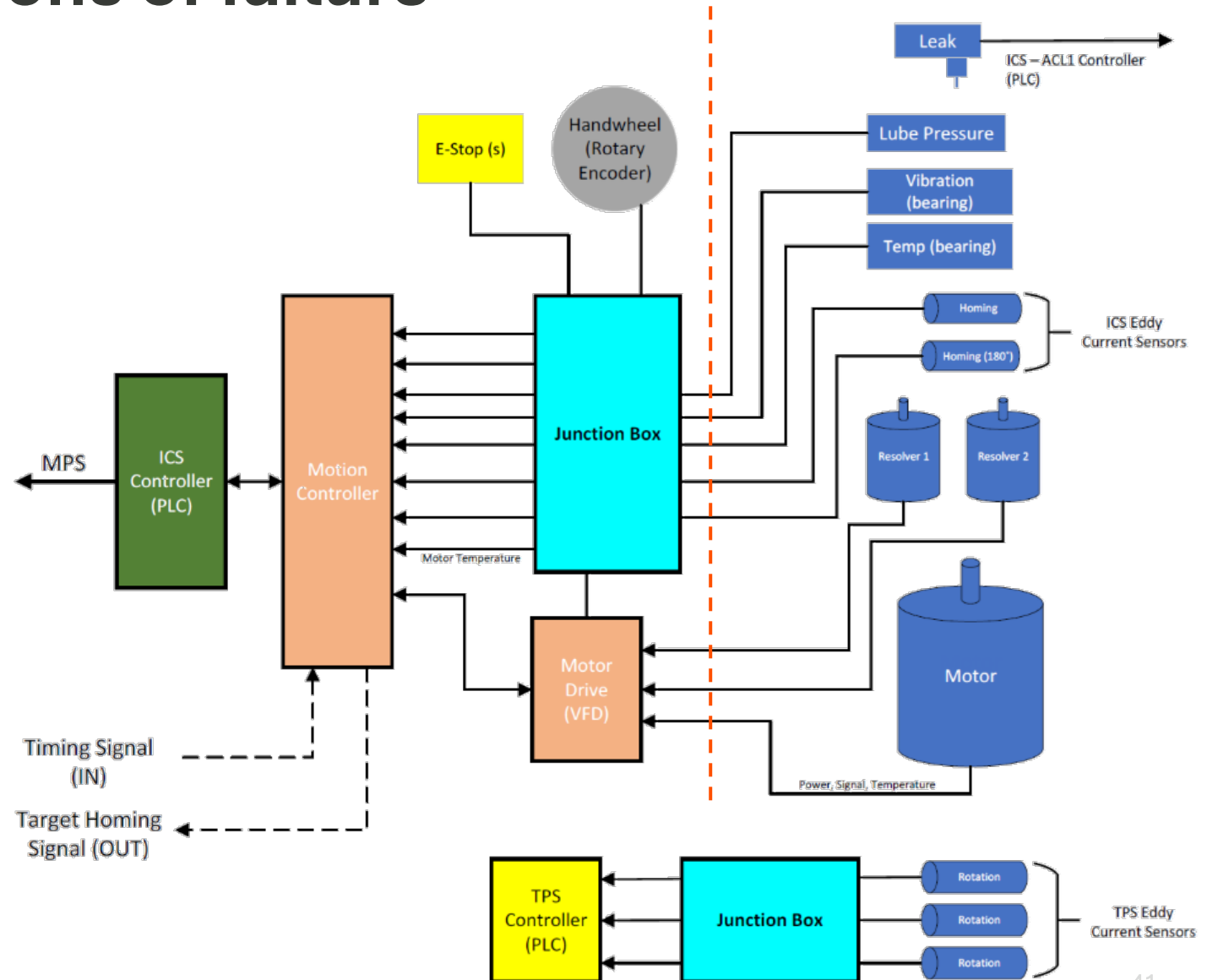


The integrated control system controls motion and monitors key parameters for indications of failure

- Motion Control loop:
 - Resolver (with homing flag)
 - Motion controller
 - Motor
- Synchronize to timing signal (TTL)
- Sequence
 - Spin to 45 rpm
 - Adjust phase
 - Lock Phase

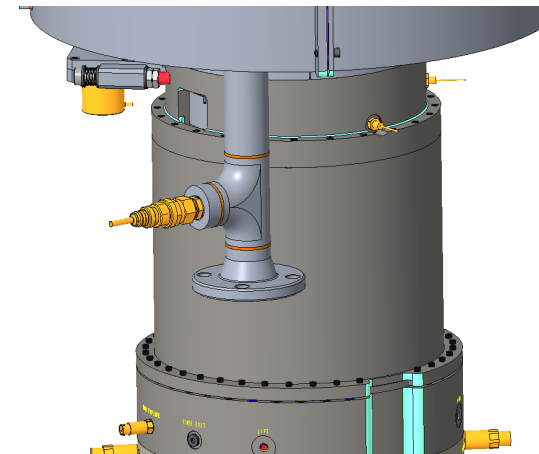
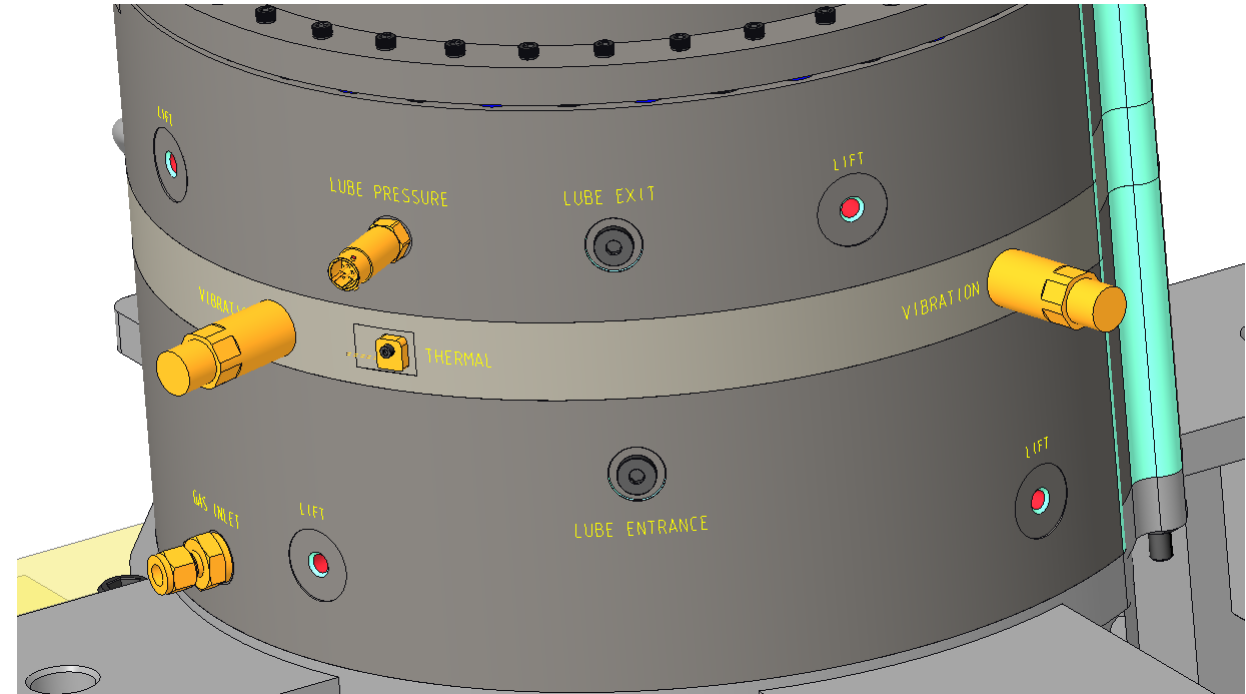
Overall goal: position target within <1 degree offset at target face

Resolver measures 100x closer than desired precision

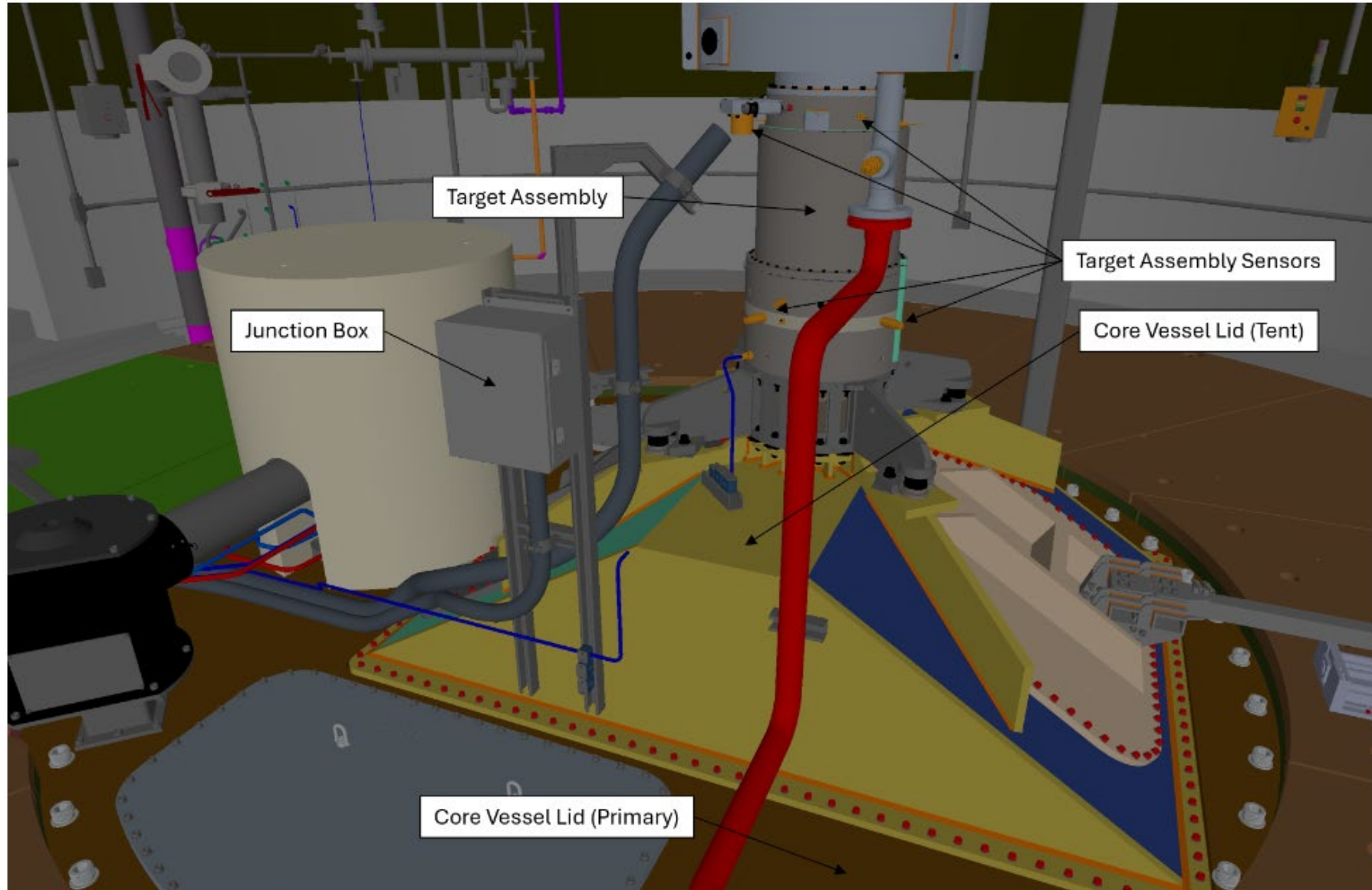


The drive and process system has several sensors for monitoring and diagnostics

- Motor drive (Torque monitoring, others)
- Bearing Vibration (Monitor for Freq – Amplitude shifts over time)
- Bearing temperature (monitor for shifts over time)
- Lubrication pressure
- Leak detection (Shroud)
- Seal gas pressure – is the gas pad on the seal adequate?
- Seal gas flow – Monitor the leak rate of the seal for degrading life
- Pressure drop across system



Conceptual wire routing and conduit (by ICS)



Components in the drive have high confidence of withstanding radiation levels

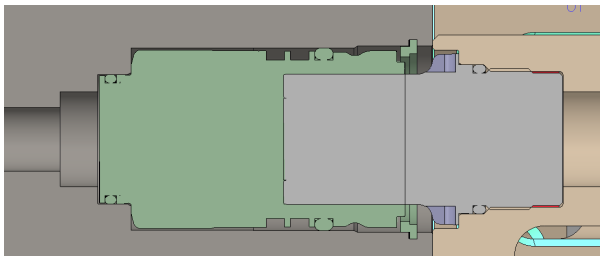
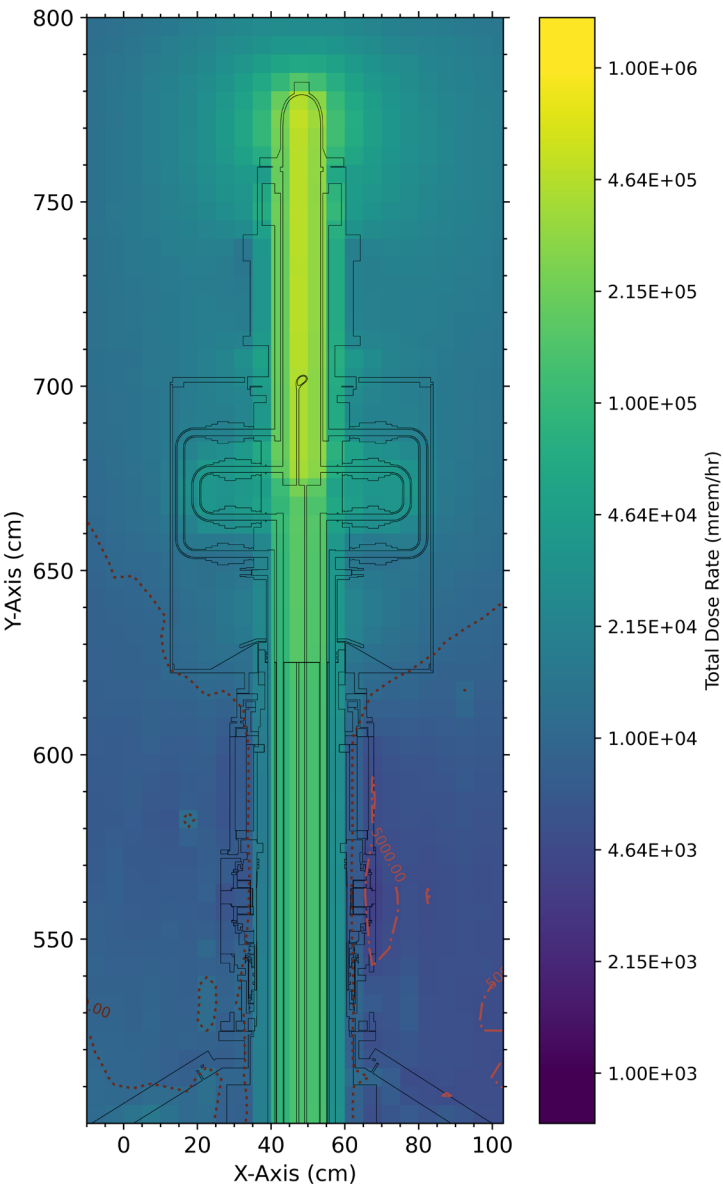


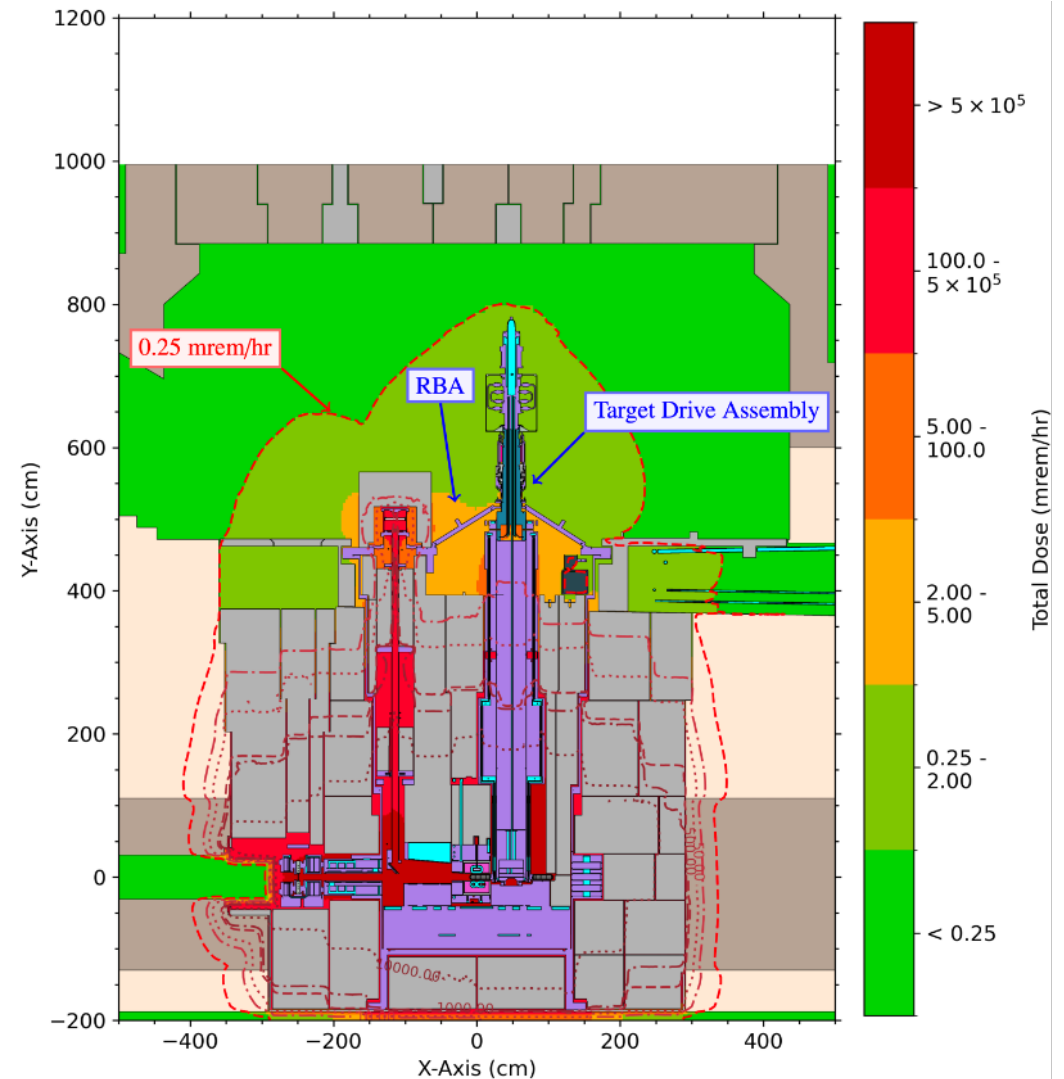
Table 13. Drive Critical Component Dose & Life

Polymer	Location	Life (kGy)	6 yr Dose (kGy)	10 yr Dose (kGy)	Factor of Life	Vendor
EPDM O-rings	Rotary Union	320	310		1.03	James Walker
EPDM O-rings	Segment Attachment	320		330 ^b	0.97	James Walker
EPDM O-rings	Jumper Fittings	100 ^a	62.4 ^b		1.6 ^a	Stäubli ^a
EPDM O-rings	Bearing & Vacuum Seal	80 ^a	14.6 ^c		5.48 ^a	Generic ^a
FKM (Viton) Lip Seal	Bearing Grease Seal	20	6.8		2.9	SKF
PEEK	Motor/Resolver	2000	4.2		476	NA
Silicon Carbide	Vacuum Seal	NA	3.3		NA	A.W. Chesterton
Dry-Running Carbon	Vacuum Seal	NA	36		NA	A.W. Chesterton
RG-42-1 (grease)	Bearing	7,800 ^c	1.74		4500	MORESCO-HIRAD
Vibration Sensor	Bearing	100 ^f	4.2		23.8	Wilcoxon
Temperature Probe	Bearing	Not Listed ^g	4.2		NA	Lake Shore Cryotronics
Eddy Current Sensor	Motor/Resolver	80 ^h	6		13.3	Emerson
Resolver	Motor/Resolver	2000 ⁱ	4.72 ^k		424	Empire Magnetics
Motor	Motor/Resolver	1000 ^j	4.72 ^k		212	Kollmorgen
Motor Fast Neutron Fluence ^m	Motor/Resolver	1 × 10 ¹³ n/cm ²	7.52 × 10 ¹² n/cm ²		1.33	Kollmorgen



The drive can be accessed for maintenance after 8 hours of decay.

- The drive is well shielded from activated materials
- Body dose is <3mrem/hr (Rad worker)
- All target drive components are designed to be maintained with hand tools(no remote tooling).
- Long Life products or metals trapped, plated or lodged in the drive would compromise hands-on maintenance.
- Target drive components are disposable*
- Segment maintenance involves more shielding from targets



Drive Subsystem status

- The drive architecture, interfaces, controls, water-routing, and maintenance concepts are established.
- A **tapered roller bearing arrangement** provides a more standard, lower-risk, and more closeable release configuration.
- Remaining work includes:
 - Completing an overall drawing package
 - Updating the bearing package CAD/detailing

The remaining drawing effort is better spent closing the tapered roller configuration than trying to mature the custom bearing arrangement