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Target Assembly: MUTS Installation & Checkout - Mechanical

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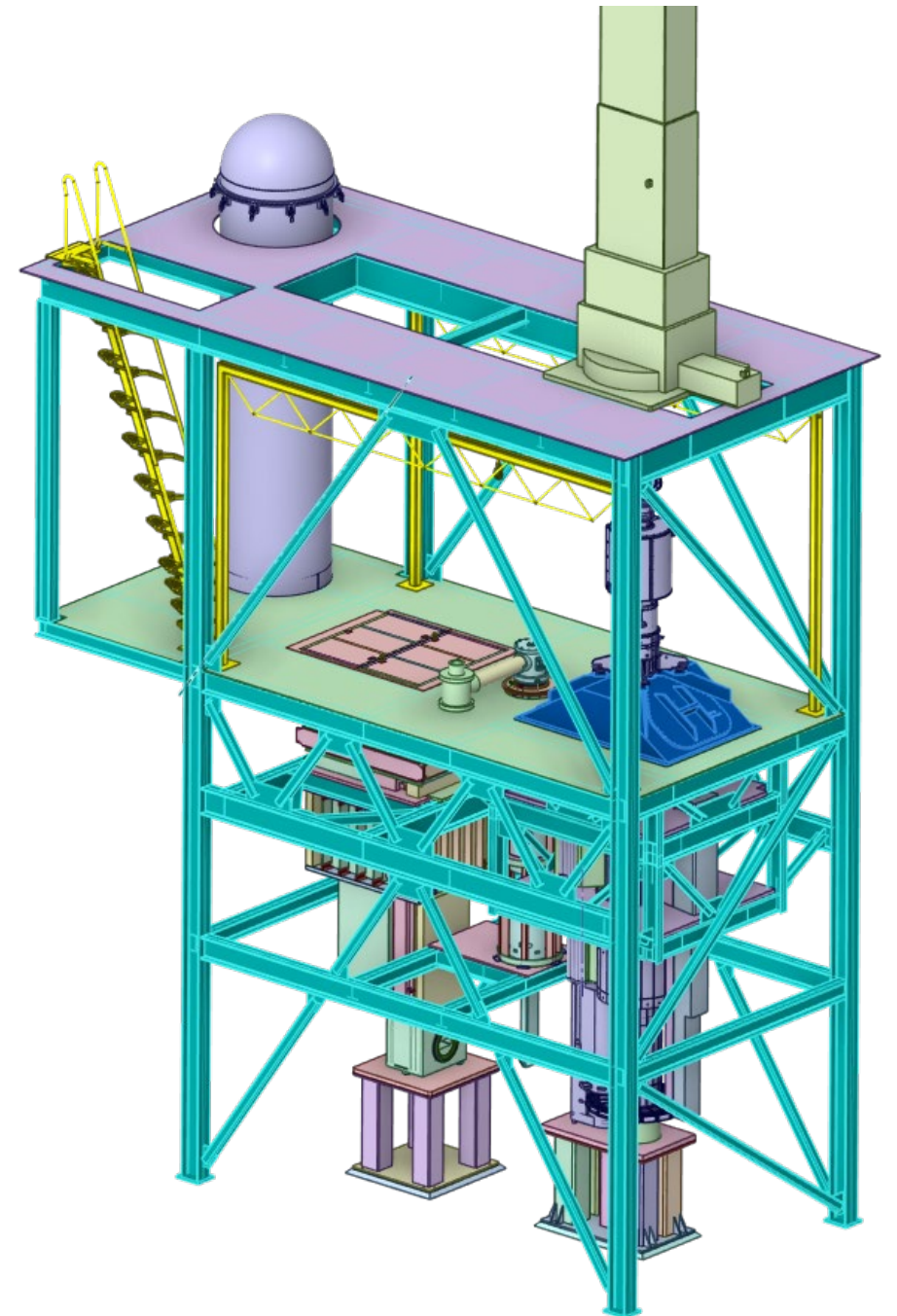


Charge Question 3: Do DACs and other supporting documentation adequately support the final design?

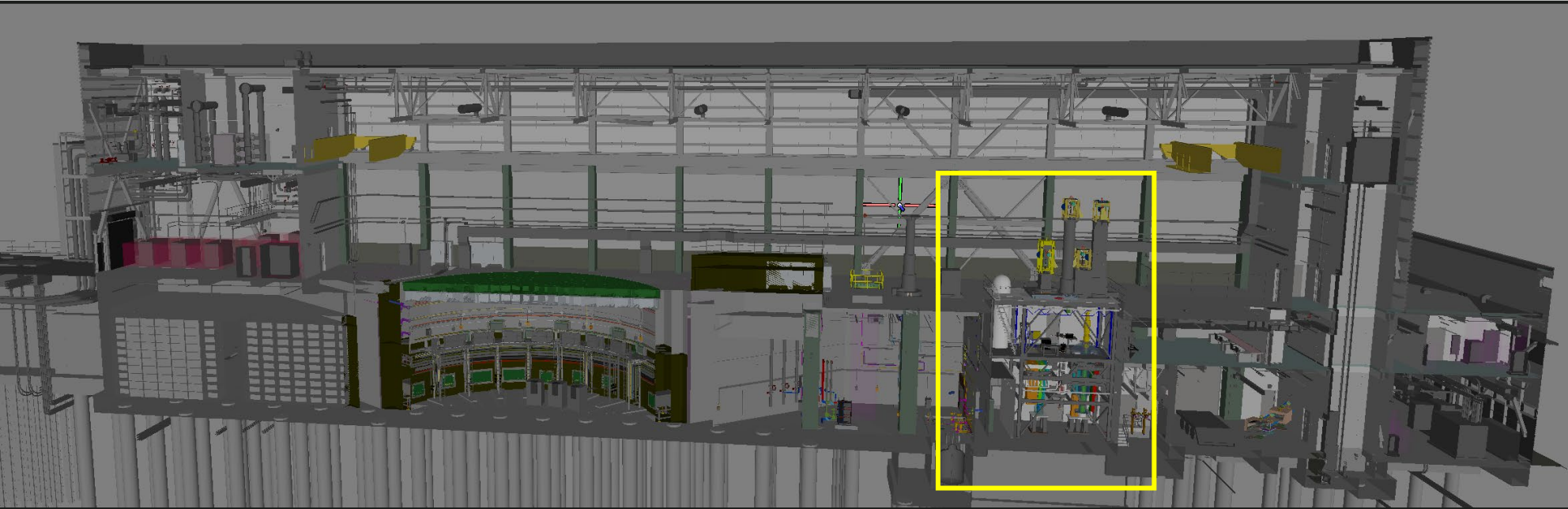
Overview

MUTS: MockUp Test Stand

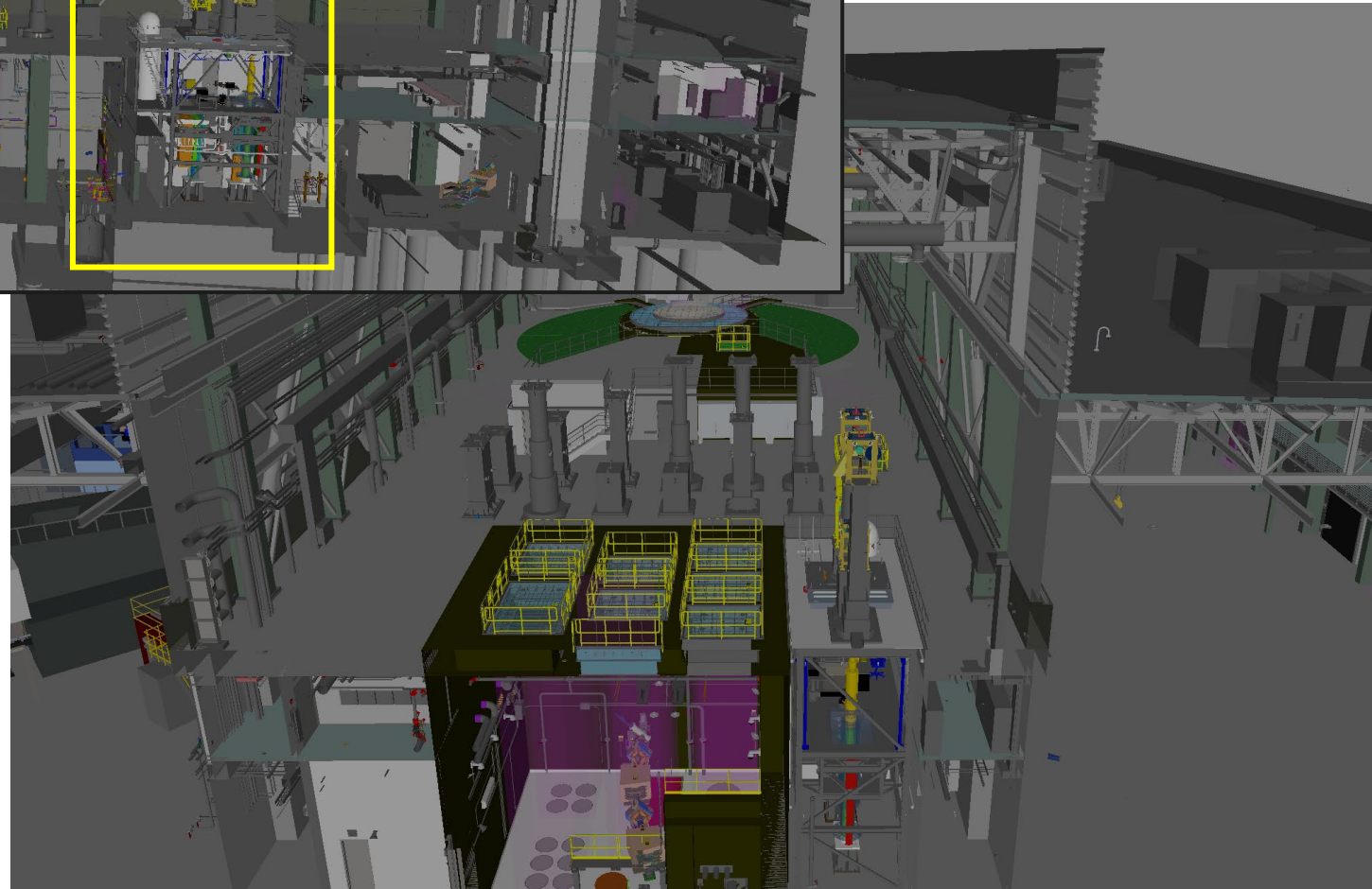
- Steel frame that represents all the primary mount features and locations of the Core Vessel.
- Location of shaft assembly work
- Location of Target Assembly initial assembly work and verification testing.
 - Rotation
 - Controls tuning
 - Alignment to MRA
 - Test alignment to TVP
 - Remote Handling verification and training



MUTS Context within Facility

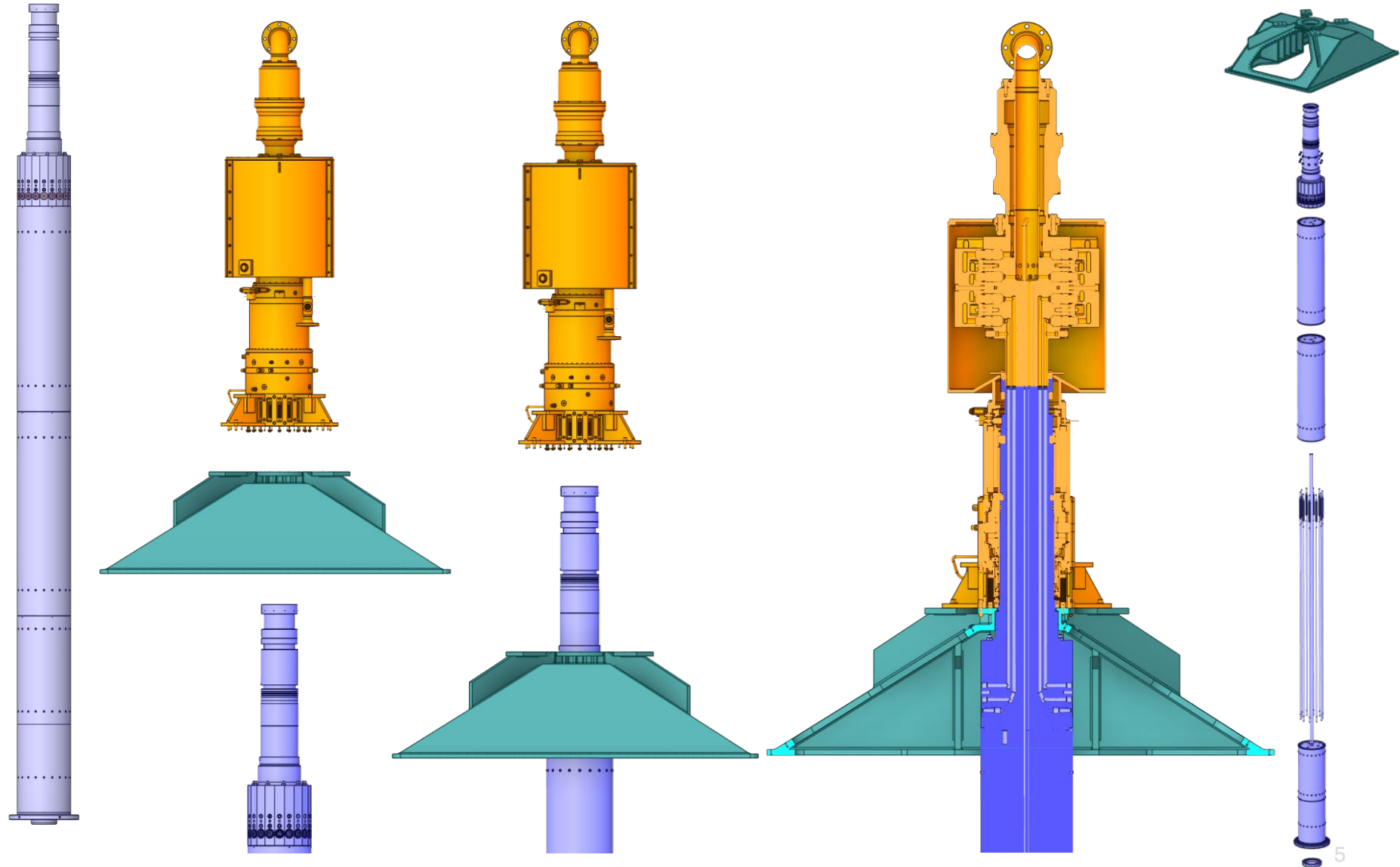


- Located downstream of beam and north of the service cell
- Top of MUTS approximately level with high bay
- Accessible via high-bay crane



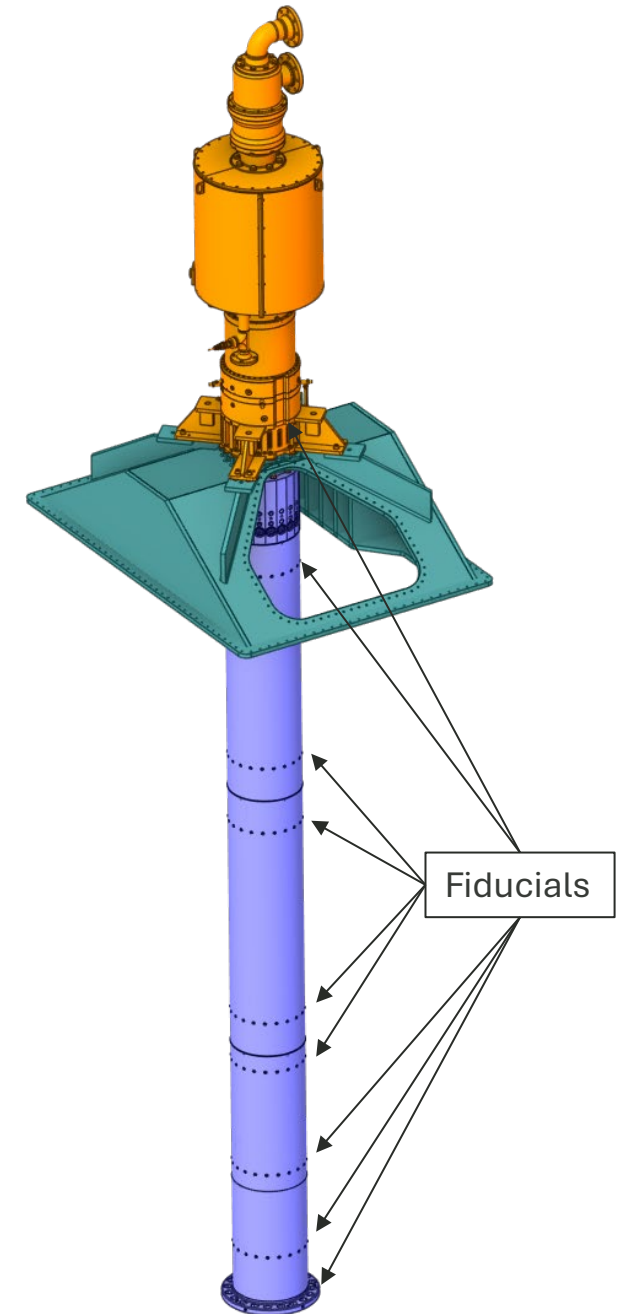
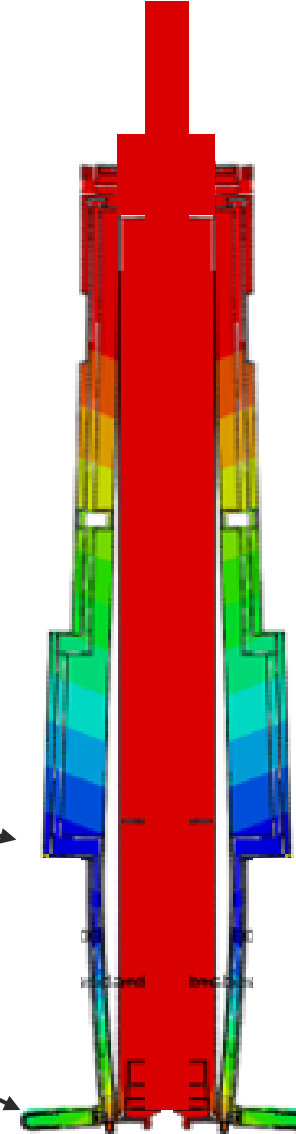
Assemble Shaft in MUTS → Add Tent and Drive

- Build shaft in-place in MUTS
- Install lid “Tent”
- Install Drive assembly and pull shaft up into assembly
- Finish Target Assembly Installation

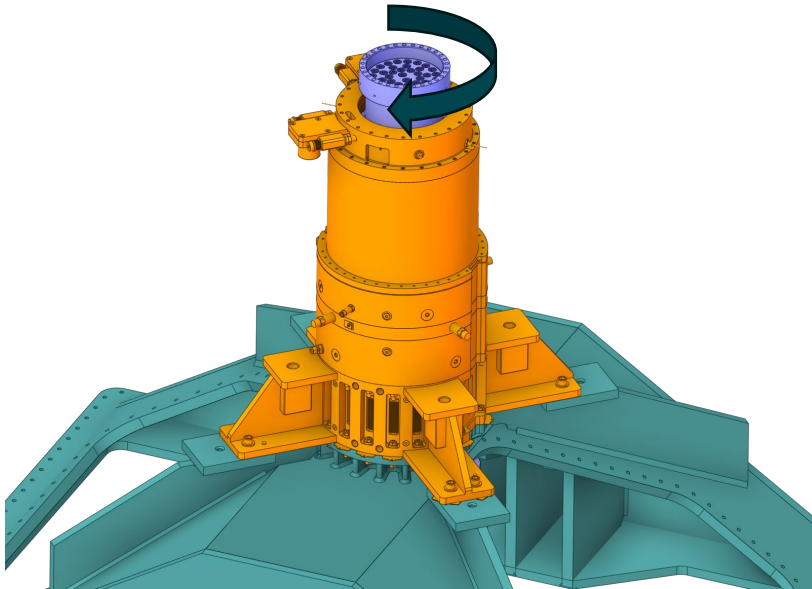
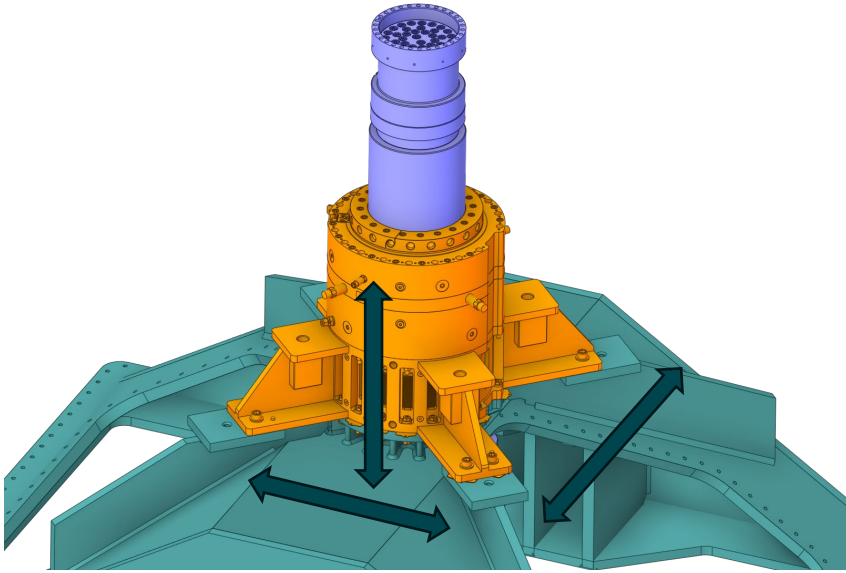


Metrology – Geometry Verification

- Fiducial map of entire shaft & drive without segments
- Fiducial map with segments
- Shaft runout
- Fiducial map with segments
- Segment rotation measurement
 - Donut radial deflection
 - Foot vertical deflection
- Pin Pocket clearance verification



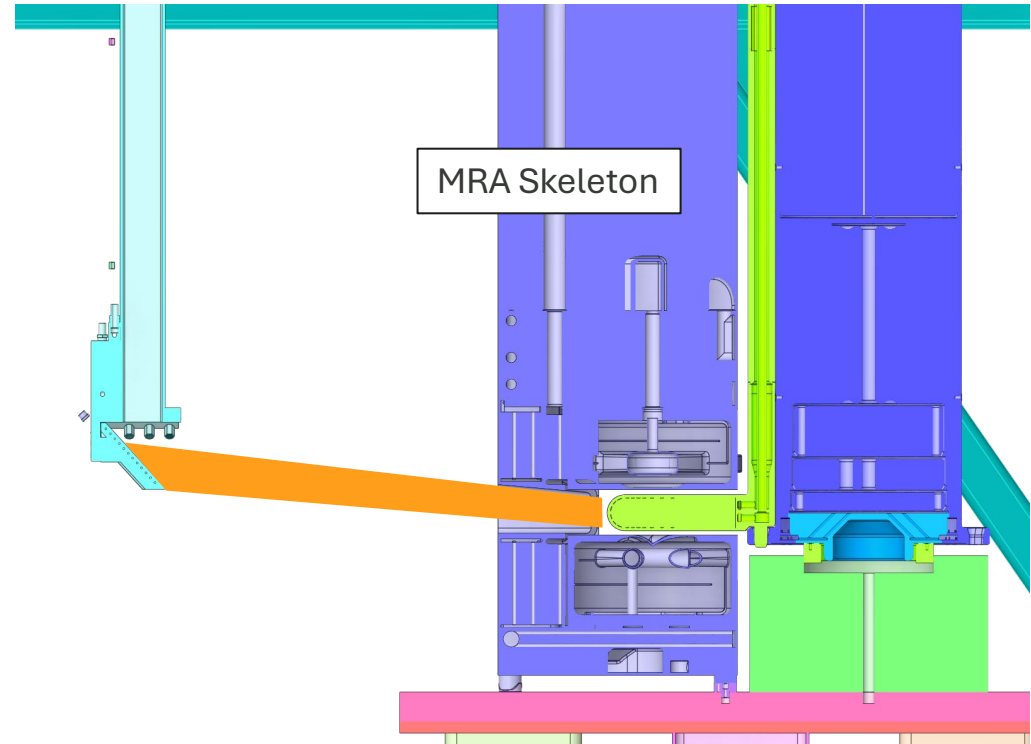
Function & Operation Verification



- Test drive leveling (vertical)
- Test drive position adjustment (horizontal)
- Rotation test
- Startup/shutdown speed
- Rotary seal leak rate test
- System pressure-drop test
 - Segments
 - Shaft
 - Assembly
- Remove-install segments
- E-stop test

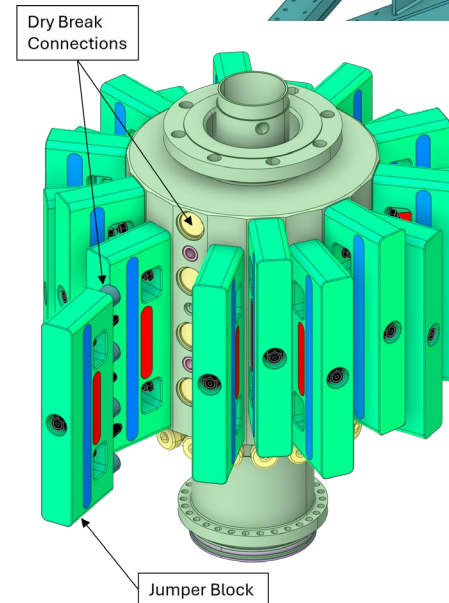
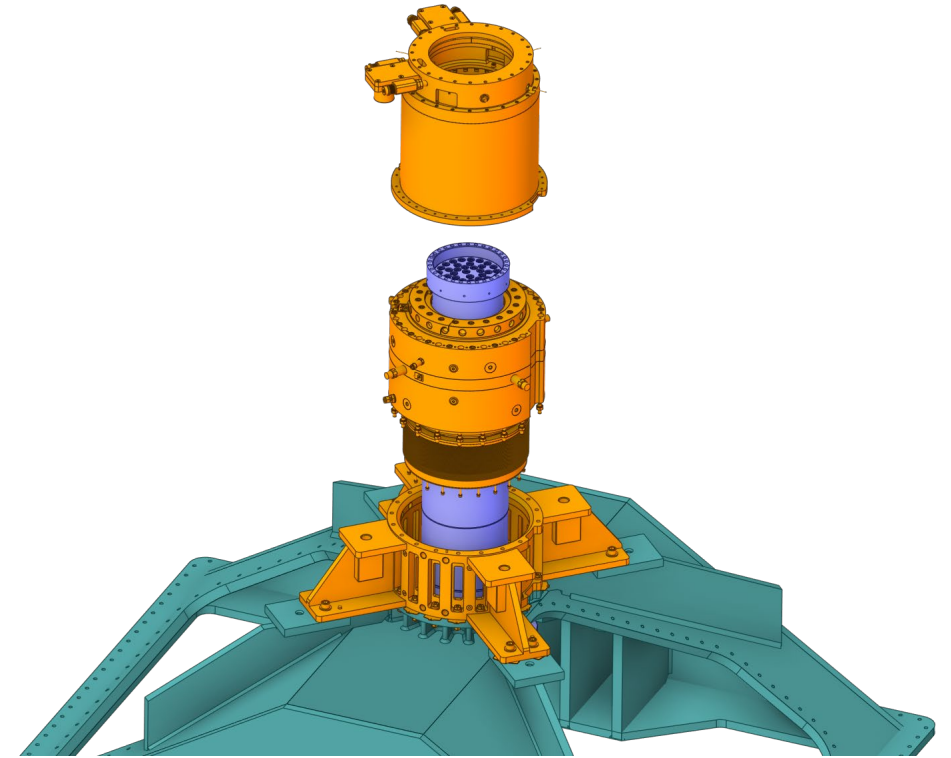
Cross-System Verification

- Test position, fit, and rotate with skeleton MRA
- Target “Nose” view from TVP



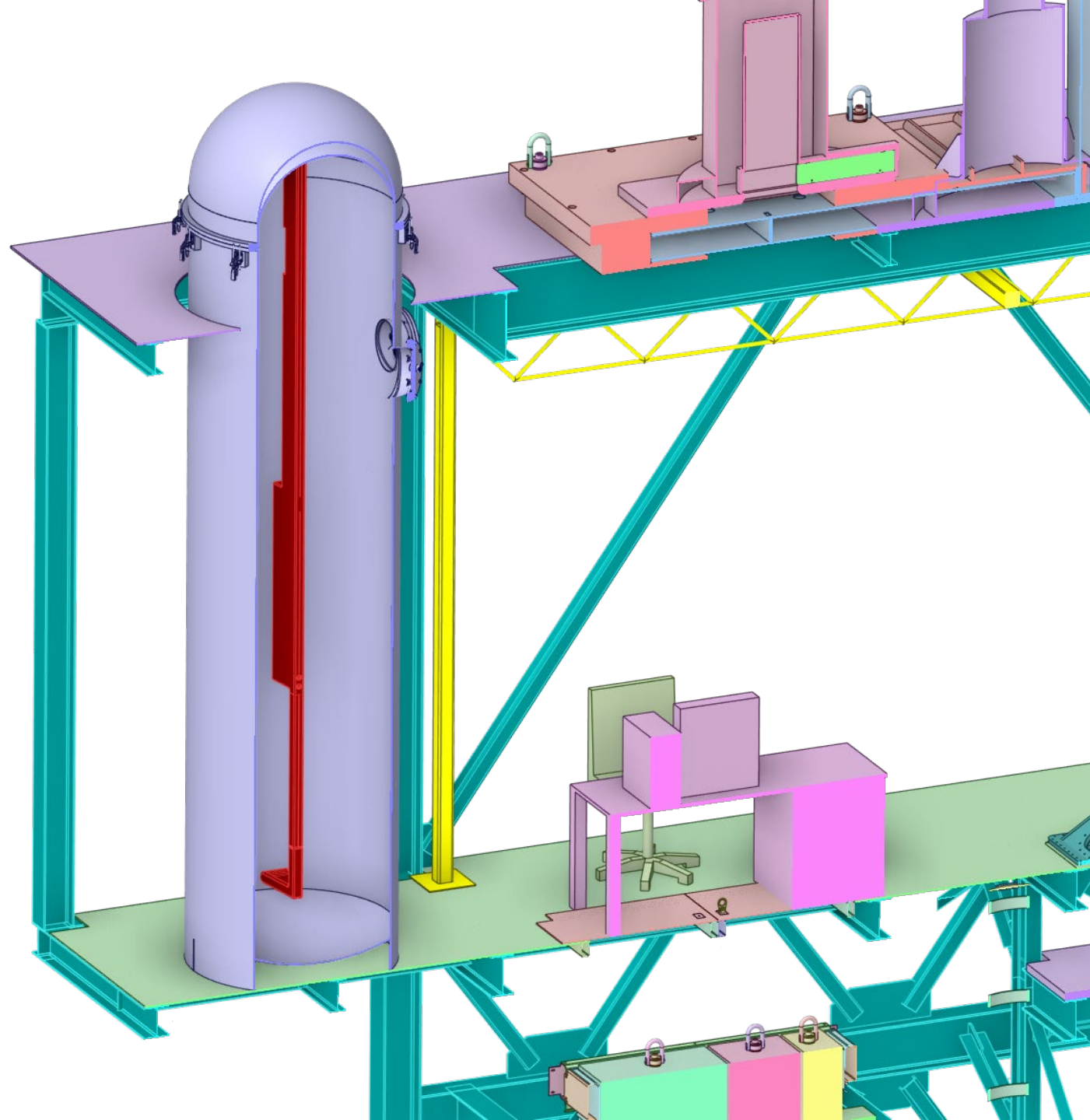
Maintenance

- Test each maintenance event
 - Motor replacement
 - Bearing replacement
 - Resolver replacement
 - Sensor replacement or adjustment
 - Segment replacement
 - Water jumper replacement
 - Water manifold and union replacement



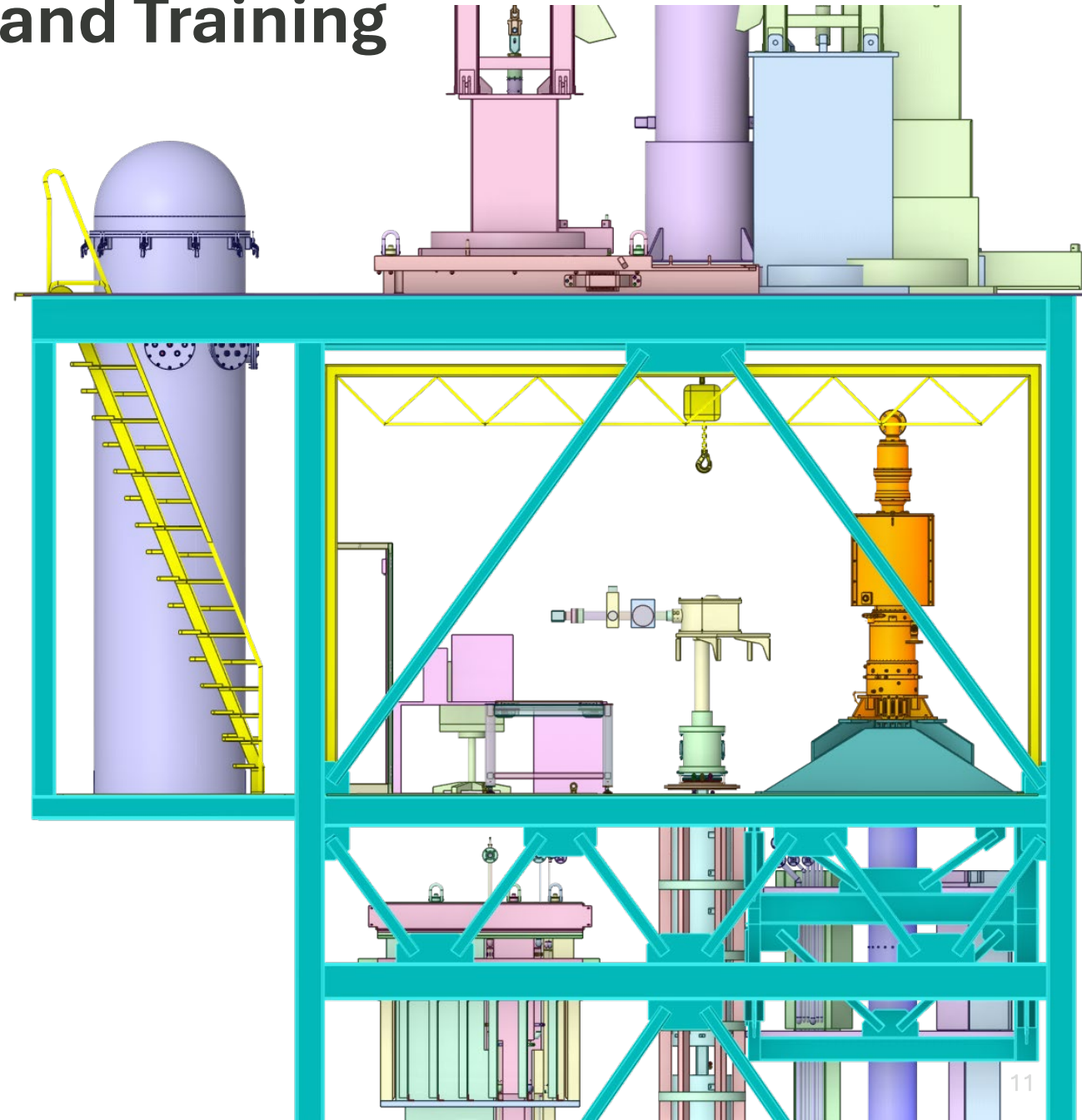
Future Possibilities

- Vacuum leak check Shaft
- Vacuum leak-check individual Segment



Remote Handling Verification and Training

- First segment(s) installed to Target Assembly in MUTS
- Removal process also practiced
- Install 20 segments to test run
 - Installation
 - Rotation
 - Balance
 - Operation/Controls refinement
- Remove 20 segments to move shaft from MUTS to CV
- Assembly and disassembly of Drive serves as a procedural practice of the operations. Further practice enabled by full assembly setup, and hoist/crane internal to MUTS
- Test maintenance access and procedures.





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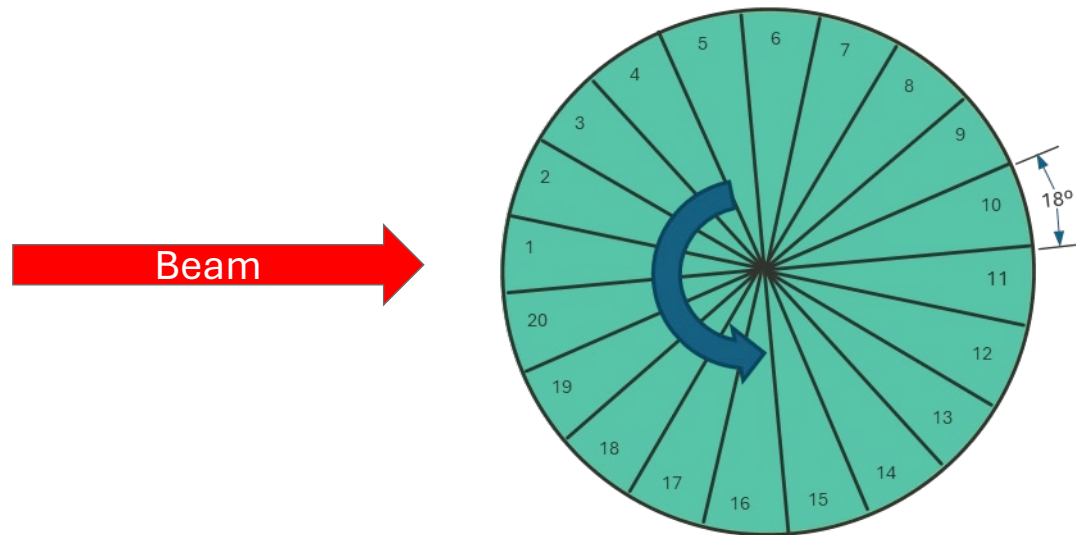


Target Rotation – Controls

- Convert the timing signal to a digital format and use it to coordinate the target's rotation.
- Analyze how to address movement if the timing signal is interrupted.
- Assess the resolver's performance and determine the best way to use it in the program.
- Characterize the signal performance of the eddy current sensors.
- Comprehend the operational principles of the AKD servo drive.
- Evaluate several motion control modes (jogging, electronic camming, S-curve, Torque—hold) to better control the target rotation.
- Mechanical performance of the target wheel, sensor mounting, vibration, etc.

SNS Timing Signal Synchronization

- Verify and validate the timing signal, which is essential for synchronizing the target's rotation with operational requirements.
- The timing signal is converted to a digital format, enabling precise coordination of the target's movement.
- Document and test scenarios where the timing signal might be interrupted, ensuring the system (target rotation) can respond safely and maintain control.
- Angular position will be controlled via the motion control system by monitoring position to ensure the target has rotated 18° per beam pulse and adjusted as necessary.



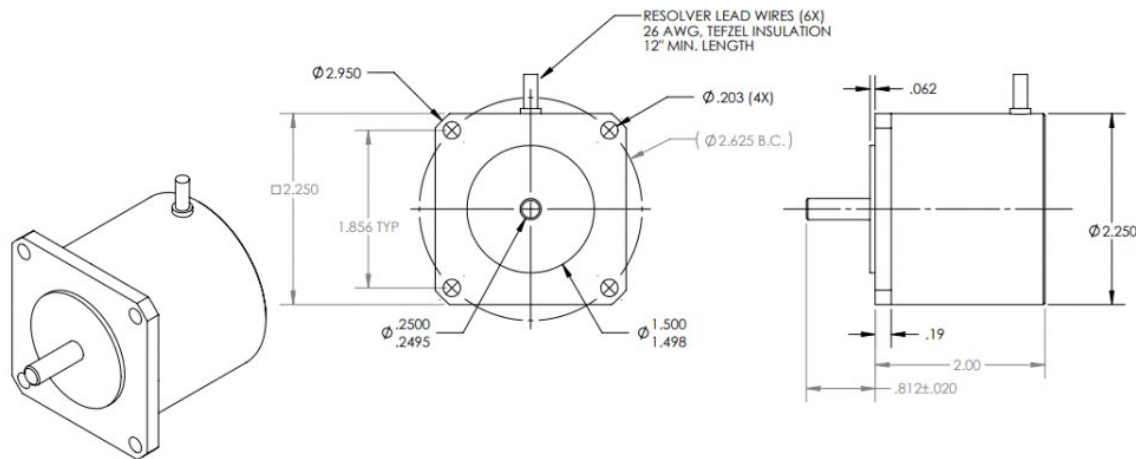
15 Hz beam pulse = pulse every 67ms

45 rpm = 0.75 rps = $360^\circ/\text{sec}$

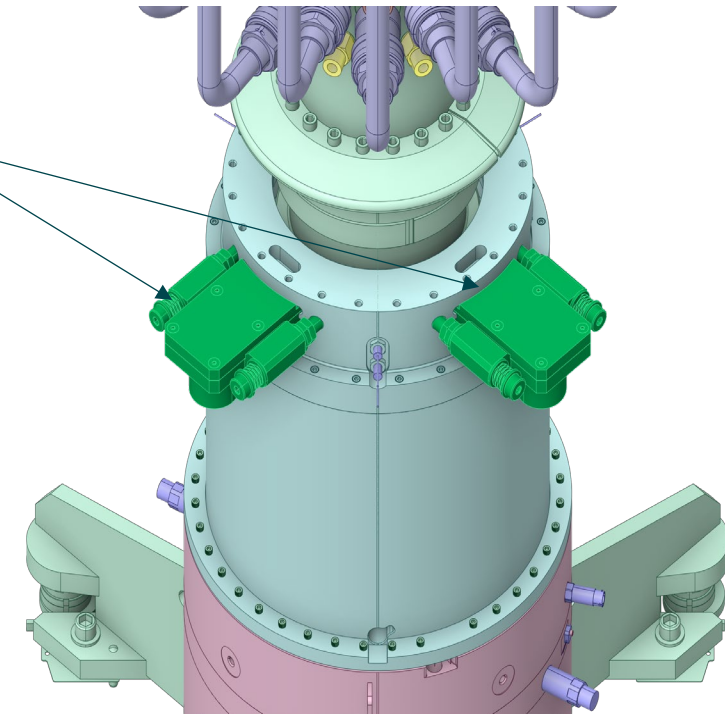
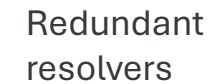
$360^\circ/20 \text{ segments} = \mathbf{18^\circ \text{ per pulse (67ms)}}$

Resolver Performance Validation

- Two resolvers used to measure rotational position will be evaluated for their performance and reliability.
- The best method for integrating the resolver into the control program is determined, ensuring accurate feedback for rotation control.



COTS - Resolver from Empire Magnetics

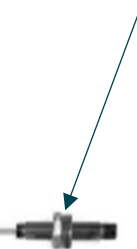


Eddy Current Sensor Characterization

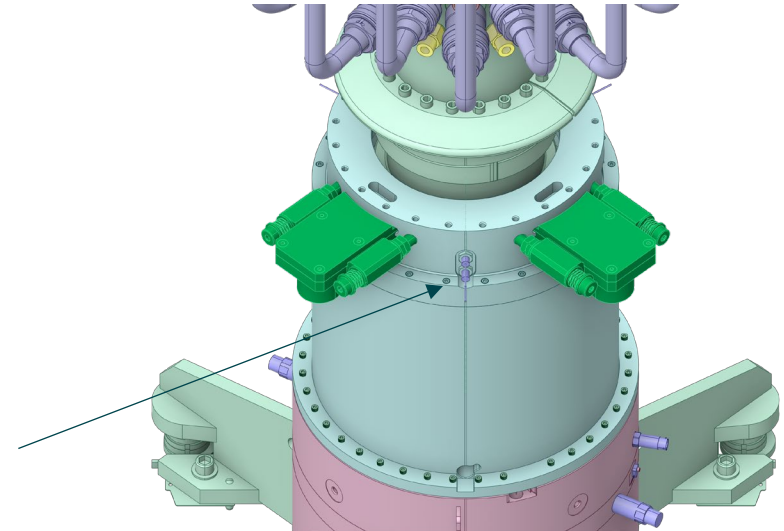
- The signal performance of the eddy current sensors is characterized.
- These sensors are used to detect the homing position, movement and contribute to precise control and monitoring of the target wheel.
- The homing sensors will also be used for target imaging and to track deposited energy per segment

Emerson AMS EZ 1000
Eddy current sensor converter

Eddy current sensor



2 x Homing Sensors
1 x at 0°
1 x 180°



AKD Servo Drive and Kollmorgen Controller Characterization

- The AKD servo drive is responsible for powering and controlling the rotation of the target wheel.
- Understanding its functions is crucial for optimal setup and troubleshooting during testing and production.
 - Tuning and optimizing the drives to the target
- Utilizes deterministic EtherCAT technology and is ready for analog Sine/Cos resolvers

1 x Kollmorgen Controller
2 x AKD Servo Drives
1 x group of remote I/O modules

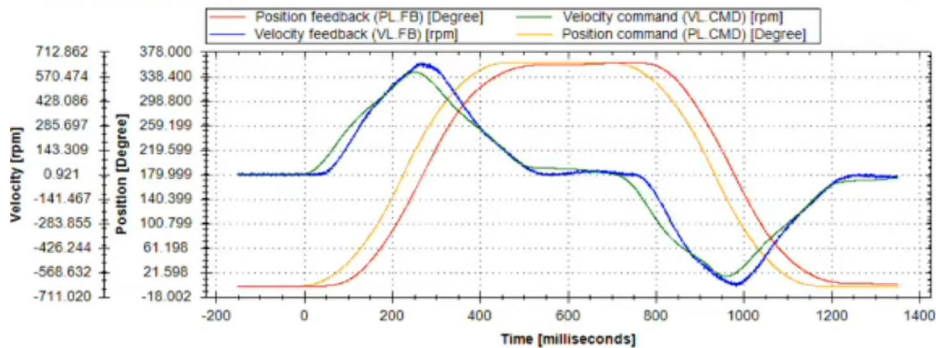
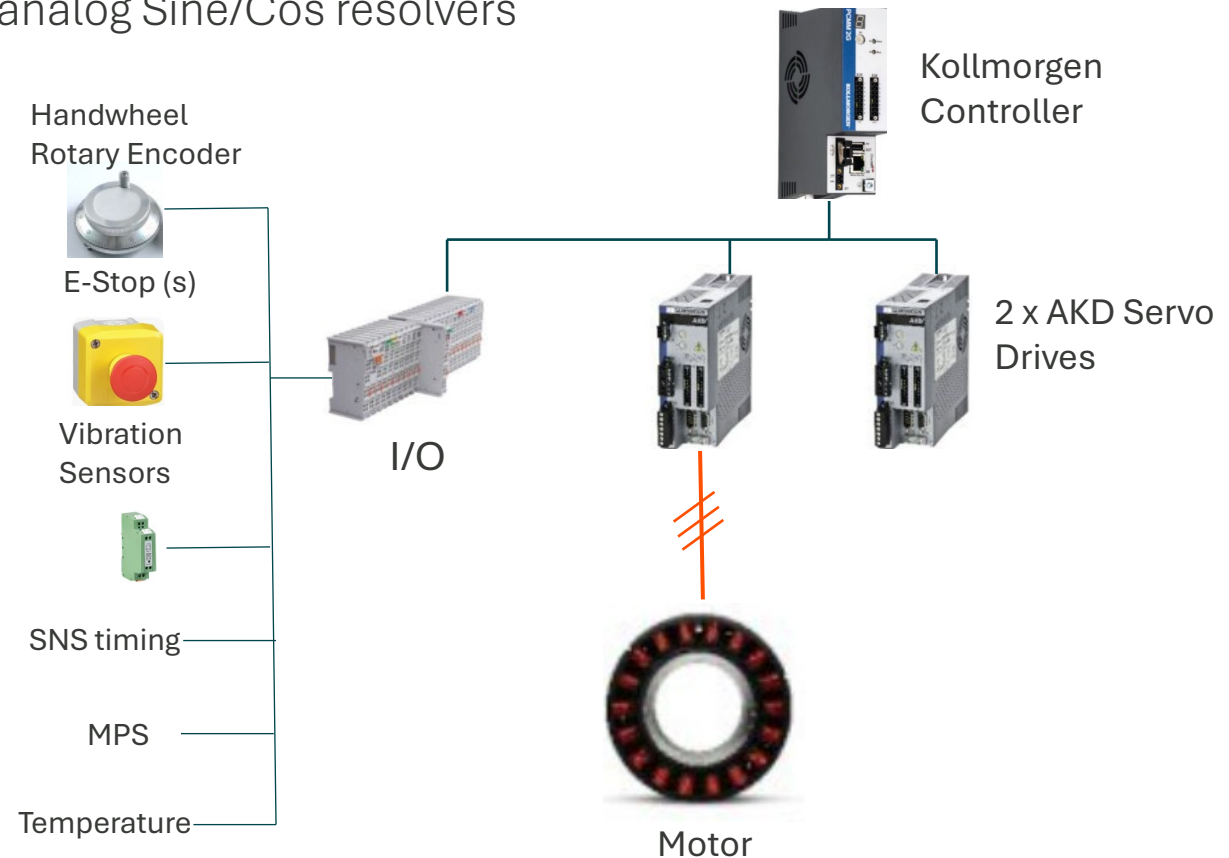


Figure by Kollmorgen - AKD Servo tuning example



Motion Control Modes Evaluation

- Several motion control modes are evaluated to optimize target rotation
- Jogging: Manual movement for setup and adjustment
- Electronic Camming: Synchronizes rotation with external signals or events
- S-Curve: Smooth acceleration and deceleration for reduced mechanical stress
- Torque-Hold: Maintains a specific torque to stabilize the target during operation

Each mode will be tested to determine the best approach for reliable and precise rotation

Why Do These Tests Matter?

- The mechanical and electrical performance of the target wheel is assessed, including sensor mounting and vibration analysis.
- The validation and verifications ensure that the physical components operate smoothly and that sensors provide accurate data for control systems.
- Safety and Reliability: By thoroughly testing controls and rotation, we ensure that the target assembly operates safely and reliably under most conditions.
- Precision: Accurate synchronization and feedback are critical for the success of experiments and operational integrity.
- Troubleshooting: Early identification of issues with sensors, drives, or control modes allows for proactive solutions before deployment.



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