



GEM Rotator Design Progress

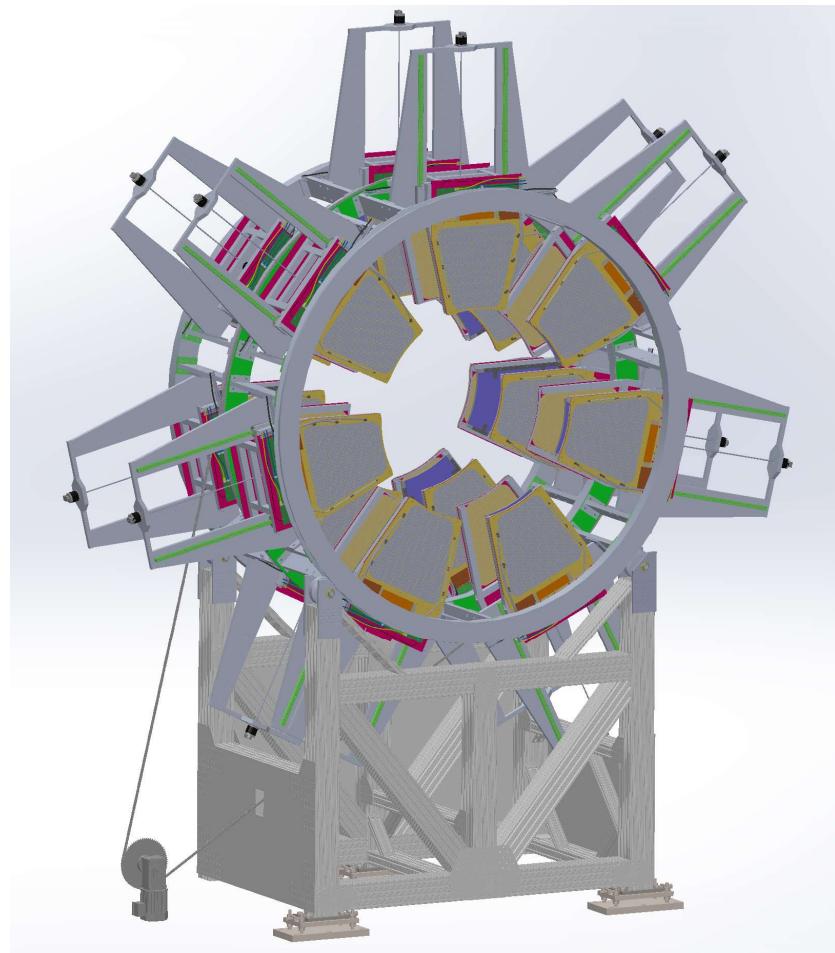
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Outline

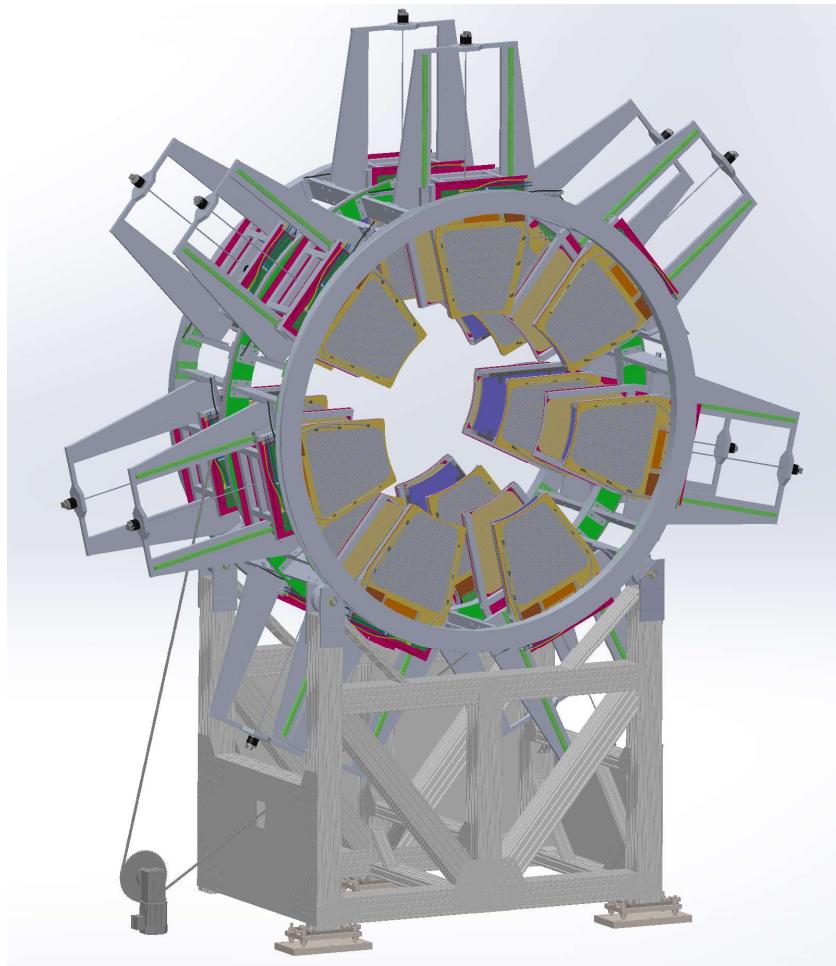
- Subsystem overview
- Radial motion
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- Simulations
- Stand adjustors
- Cable arrangements
- Assembly procedure
- Summary

Subsystem Overview

- Rotator to support 28 GEM modules (4 layers of 7 modules) and 2 layers of trigger scintillators (2 layers of 7 scintillators) for Counting Mode measurements
- Must rotate system to cover full azimuth in sequential measurements (Rotation of 360 degrees/7 = 51.4 degrees, with at least three stopping positions)
- Must move radially to extract GEMs and Trigger scintillators fully from scattered electron flux for main Integrating Mode measurements
- Minimize mass in the path of scattered electrons
- Minimize use of ferrous materials



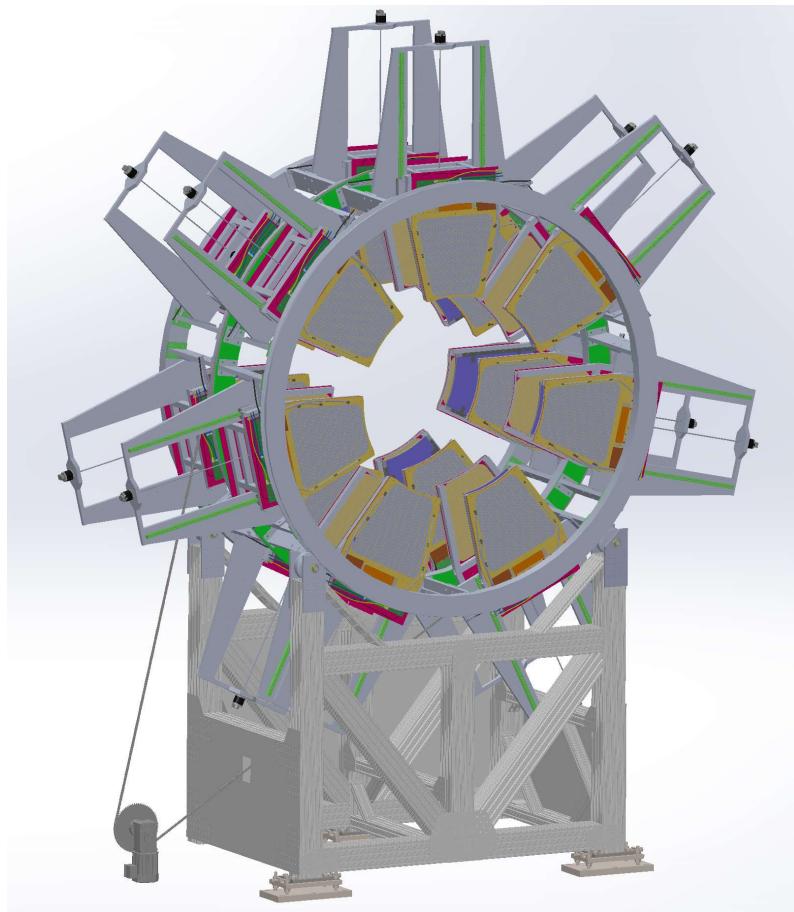
GEM Rotator – Current design



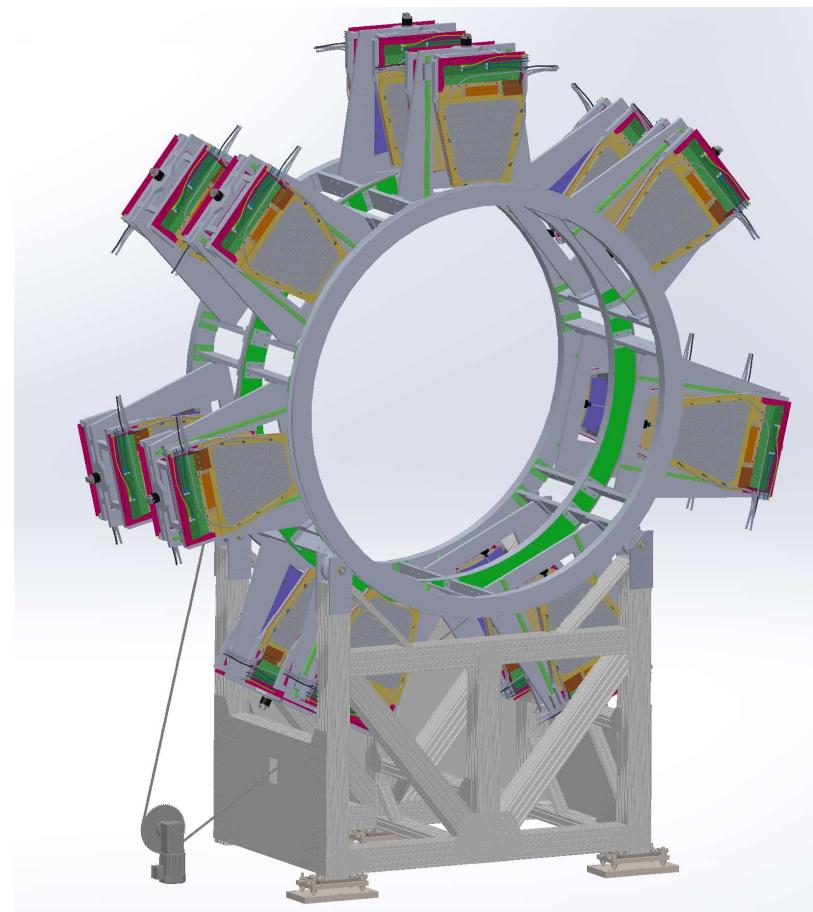
- Three 2.65 m diameter Al wheels
- Rotational motion via chain drive, sprockets on center wheel. Two rollers per wheel.
- V-groove on front wheel, simple roller on back wheel.
- Al (Bosch 80/20 6105-T5) support stand: minimizing Ferrous materials. Bolted not welded.
- Rotational motion: 2-sector (103°) swing, 2 intermediate stops to cover full azimuth.
- Total mass – ~2100 kg
- Stand – ~460 kg

GEM Rotator – Radial motion

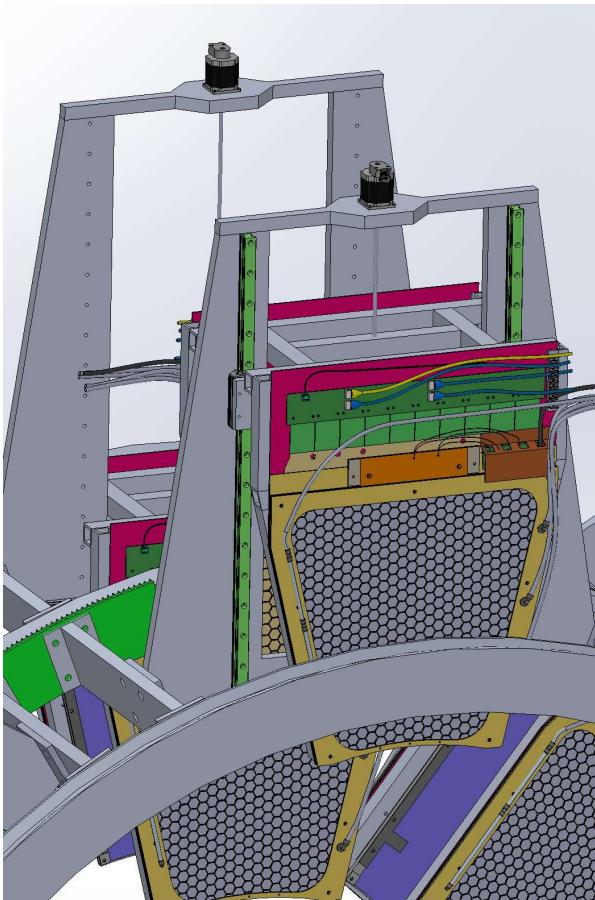
Measurement position



Parked position



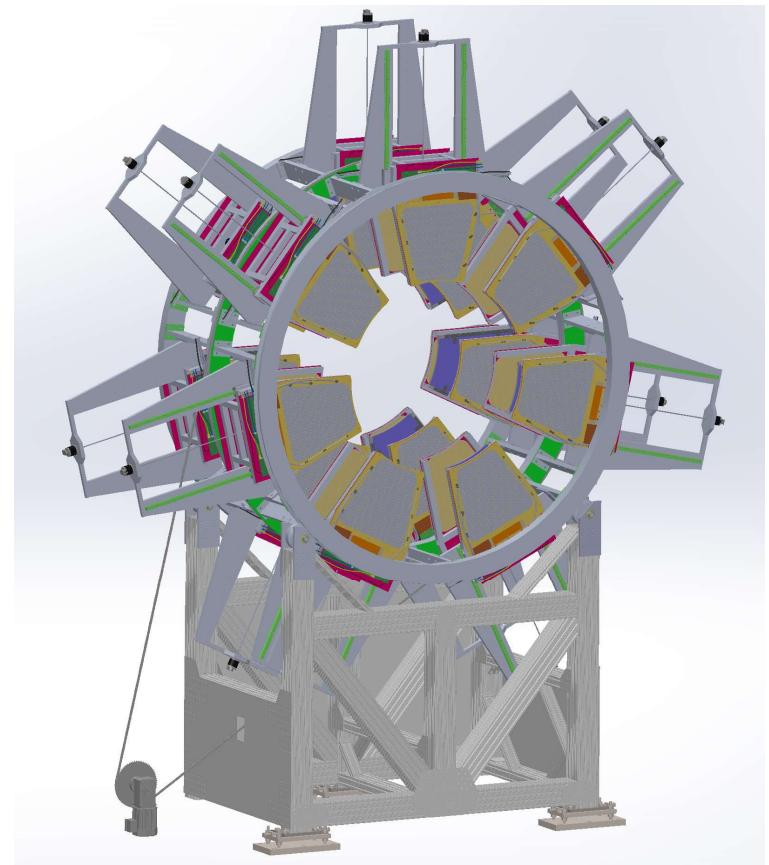
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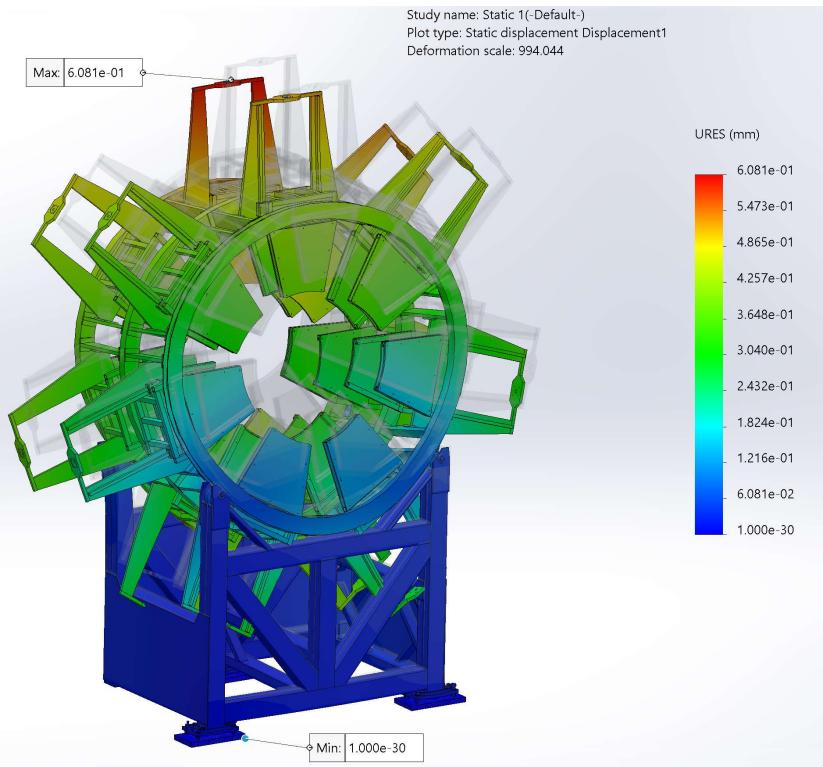
- Radial motion: 14 stepper-motor linear actuators.
- Each moves pair of GEMs and a single trigger scintillator along non-magnetic linear guide rails (Franke FDD guides).
- GEM pair + Scintillator \approx 25 lbs
- Trapezoidal frames supporting the linear motors and guide rails: 6061-T6 aluminum.
- Stepper Motor Linear Actuator : stainless steel screw.
- Radial motion stroke: 760 mm (GEM layers 1&2) and 720 mm (GEM layers 3&4), limited by hard stops at both extremes.
- The 14 linear actuators operate independently:
allows insertion of single pair of GEM detectors in a particular semi-septant, for study of any backgrounds in the main detectors caused by the tracking system.
- The holder frame for the GEM and scintillator modules: aluminum & carbon fiber.

GEM Rotator – Rotational motion

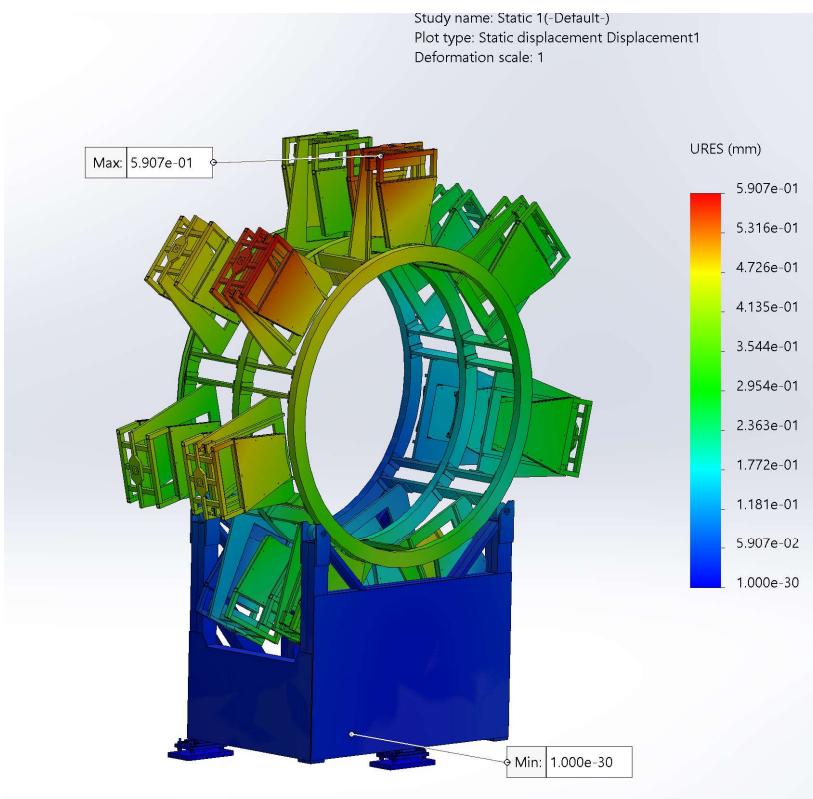
- Chain drive
- Max chain tension to hold max unbalance load (GEM holder + 2 GEMs + scintillator)
 - Measurement position \approx 40 lbs
 - Parked position \approx 70 lbs
- ANSI Number 50-SS, 316 Stainless Steel, Working load 150 lbs



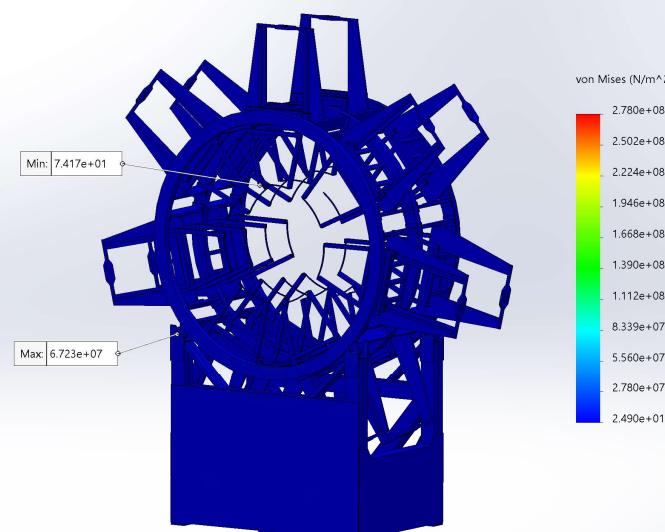
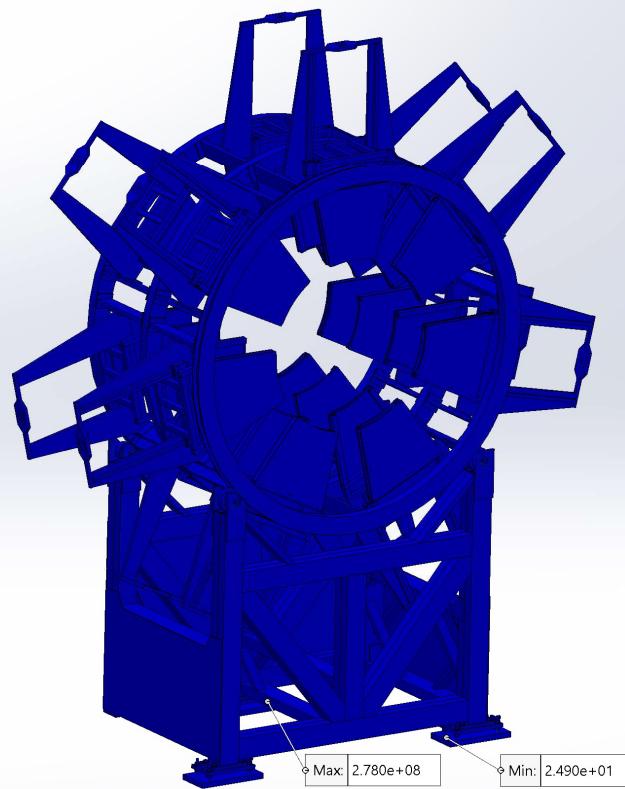
GEM Rotator – FEA displacements



Largest displacement:
< 0.7 mm
- Meets specs (< 3 mm)
(was ~1.7 mm in earlier design)

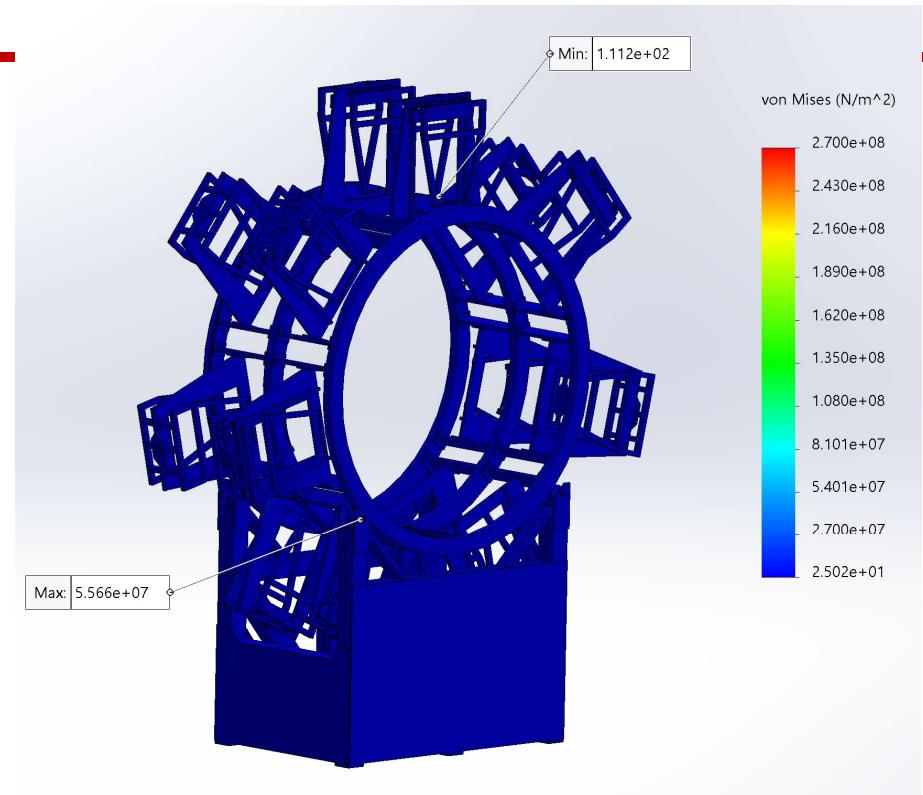
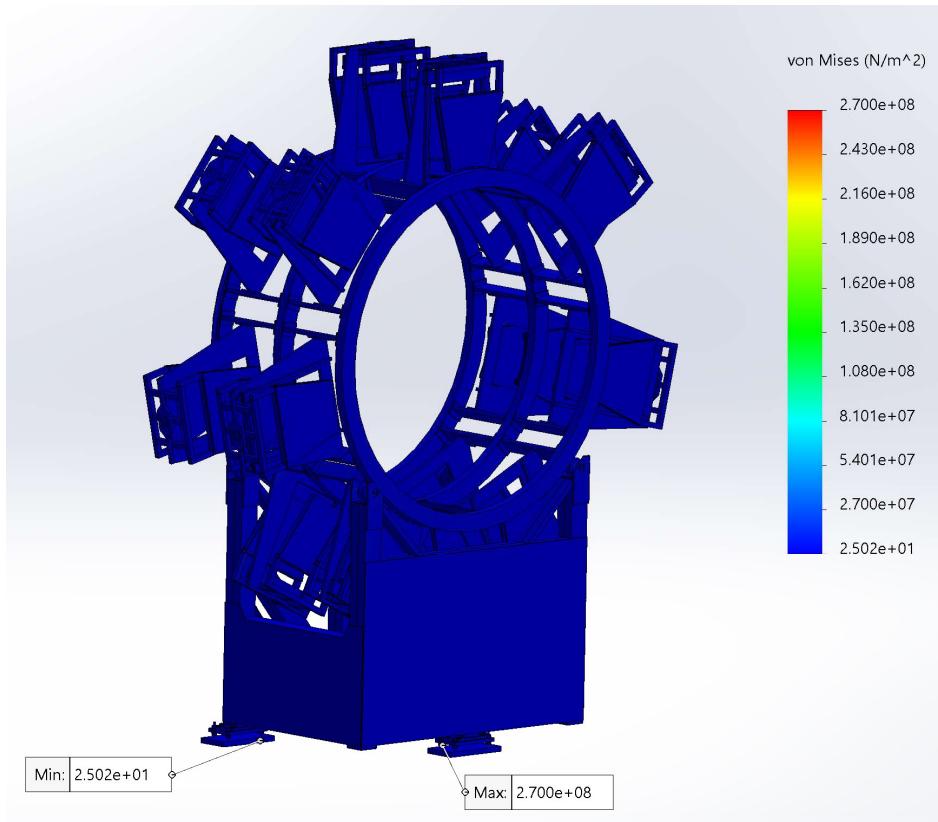


GEM Rotator – FEA Stresses



- 6061-T6 Al - Tensile Strength 3.10e+8 N/m²
- 6105-T5 Al - Tensile Strength 2.21e+8 N/m²
- Alloy steel -Tensile Strength – 7.23e+8 N/m²

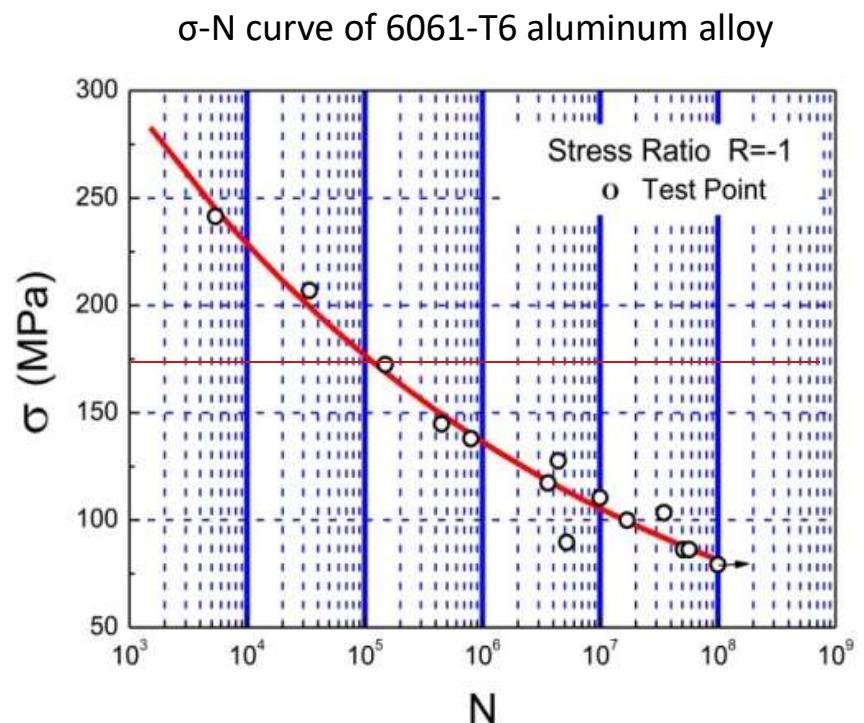
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GEM Rotator – Hertzian stress at roller contacts

- Hertzian stress analysis at roller contacts:
- Flat roller
 - Max contact pressure 141 Mpa
- V roller
 - Max contact pressure 170 Mpa
- For 6061-T6 Al: fatigue limit: 10^5 repetitions expect < 200 repetitions



0.1 g seismic analysis

- 0.1 g seismic analysis worst cases
 - Seismic forces in +x (beam direction): deflection 0.9534 mm in +x (0.9023 mm parked)
 - Seismic forces in +x (beam direction): deflection 0.5422 mm in -y
 - Seismic forces in -y (downward): deflection 0.5622 mm in y (0.5496 mm parked)

(-) - Parked	Max Stress on Base leg – (Alloy Steel) (MN/m ²)	Max Stress on Roller support (Al) (MN/m ²)	X (mm)	Y (mm)	Z (mm)	
+x (beam direction)	303.8 (306.7)	77.03 (65.56)	0.9534 (0.9023)	-0.5422 (-0.4645)	0.1869 (-0.1883)	- 6061-T6 Al - Tensile Strength 310 MN/m ²
-x	326.9 (325.7)	57.44 (51.25)	-0.4482 (-0.5612)	-0.4044 (-0.3489)	0.1472 (-0.2201)	- Alloy steel -Tensile Strength 723 MN/m ²
+z	366.3 (360.7)	72.53 (60.28)	0.5115 (0.5029)	-0.5204 (-0.5344)	0.2836 (0.3509)	
-z	205.0 (197.6)	65.51 (51.96)	0.5107 (0.4964)	-0.4743 (-0.4272)	-0.2403 (-0.2707)	
+y	250.2 (243.0)	60.50 (50.10)	0.4600 (0.4497)	-0.4260 (-0.3660)	0.1498 (-0.1838)	
-y (Downward)	305.8 (297.0)	73.95 (61.23)	0.5622 (0.5496)	-0.5207 (-0.4474)	0.1830 (-0.2246)	

Buckling analysis

- $1 < \text{BLF}$, Buckling not predicted. The applied loads are less than the estimated critical loads. Buckling is not expected.
- $\text{BLF} < -1$, Buckling not predicted. Buckling is not expected even if you reverse all loads.

List Modes-□X

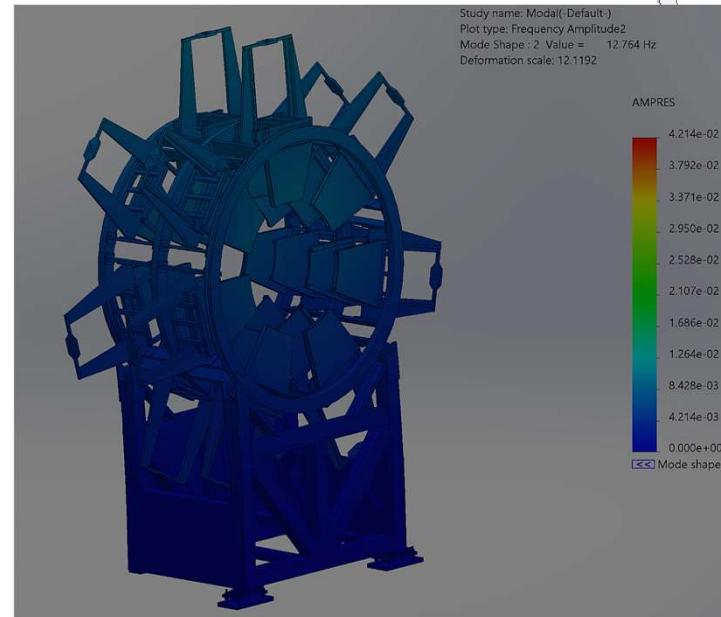
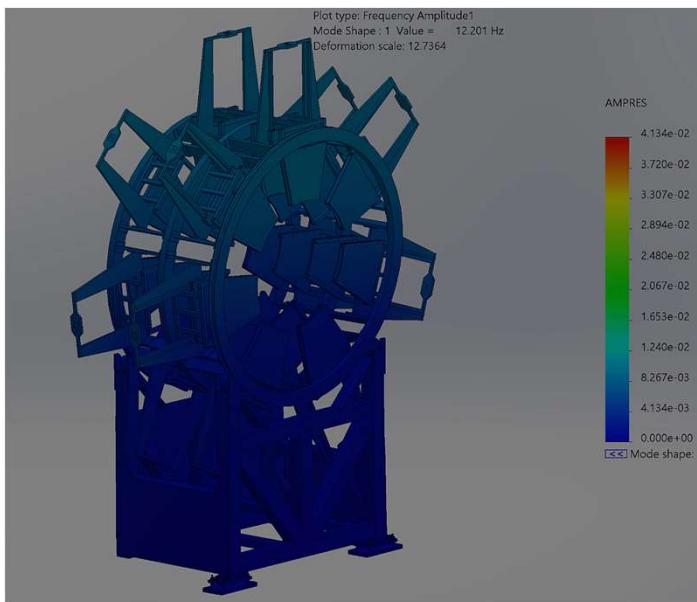
Study name:Buckling

Mode No.	Buckling Factor of Safety
1	-1,148.2
2	-1,078.6
3	-534.41
4	-507.13
5	786.67
6	838.95
7	935.26
8	979.26
9	1,015.5
10	1,024.7
11	1,038
12	1,115.9
13	1,137.1
14	1,171.5
15	1,199.6

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GEM Rotator – Modal analysis

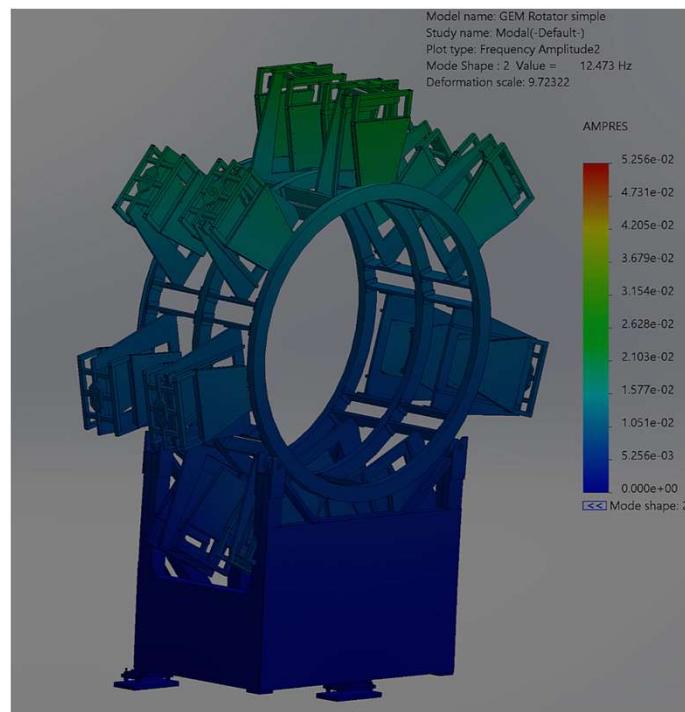
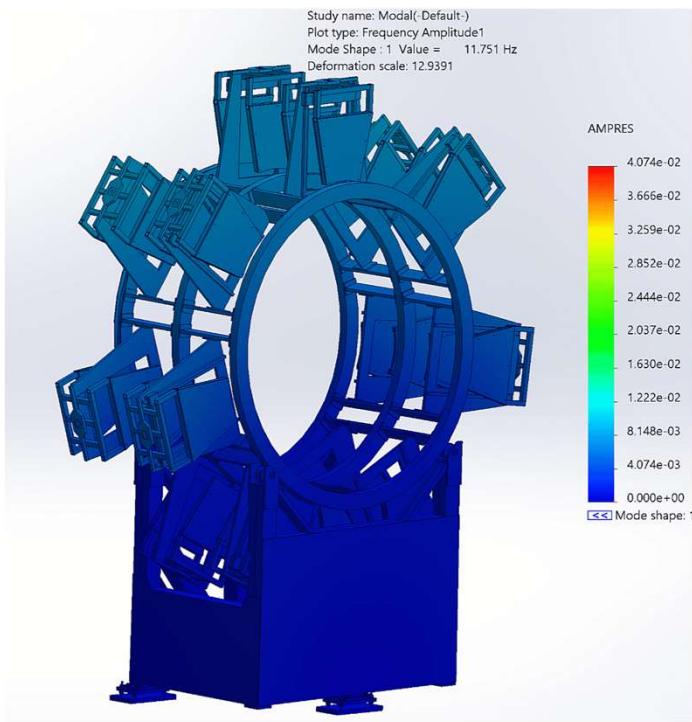
- Lowest resonant frequency is 12.201 Hz > 10 Hz target value



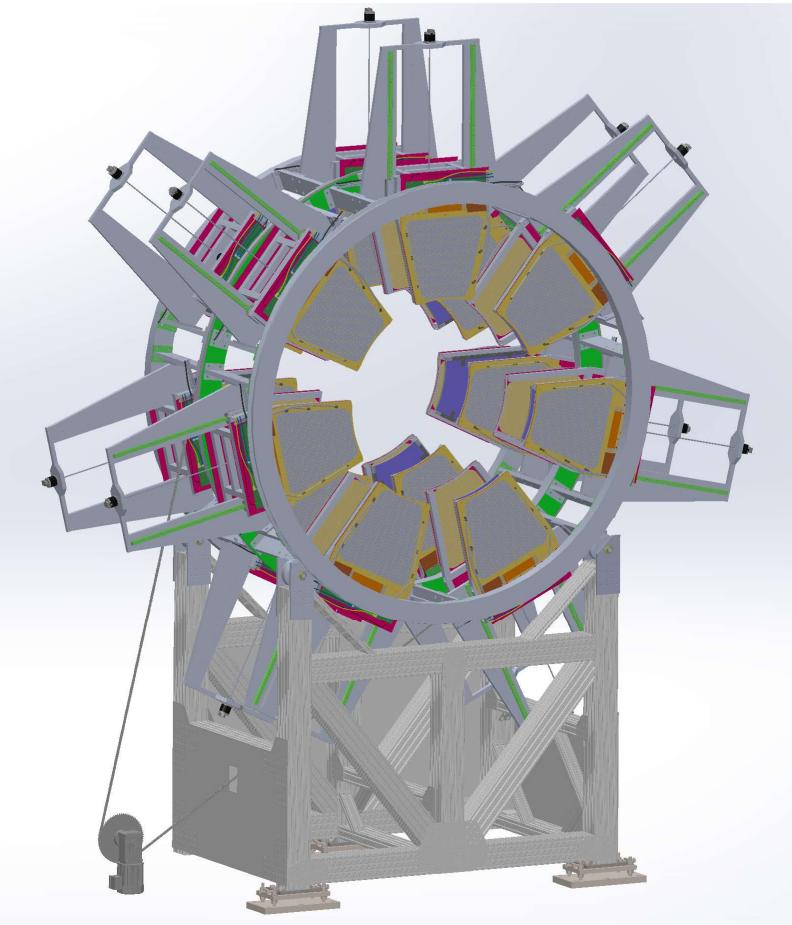
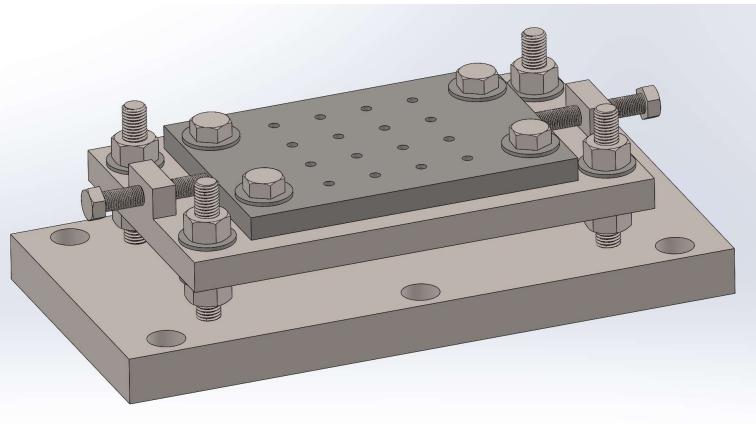
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Study name:Modal			
Mode No.	Frequency(Rad/sec)	Frequency(Hertz)	Period(Seconds)
1	76.658	12.201	0.081964
2	80.201	12.764	0.078343
3	135.5	21.565	0.046371
4	158.89	25.288	0.039544
5	163.35	25.998	0.038465
6	163.91	26.086	0.038334
7	164.12	26.12	0.038285
8	164.82	26.231	0.038122
9	164.98	26.257	0.038086
10	165.41	26.326	0.037986
11	165.65	26.364	0.037931
12	165.99	26.418	0.037853
13	166.43	26.488	0.037753
14	167.38	26.639	0.037538
15	167.83	26.711	0.037438

GEM Rotator – Modal analysis

- Lowest resonant frequency is 11.751 Hz > 10 Hz target value



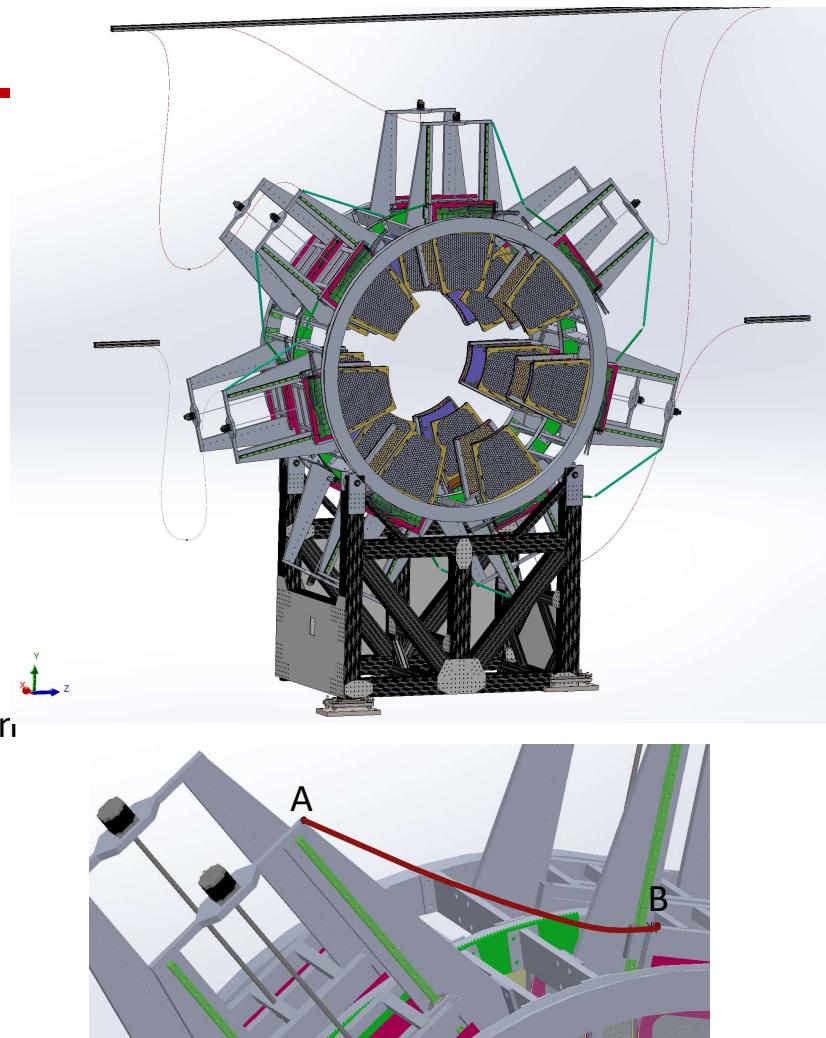
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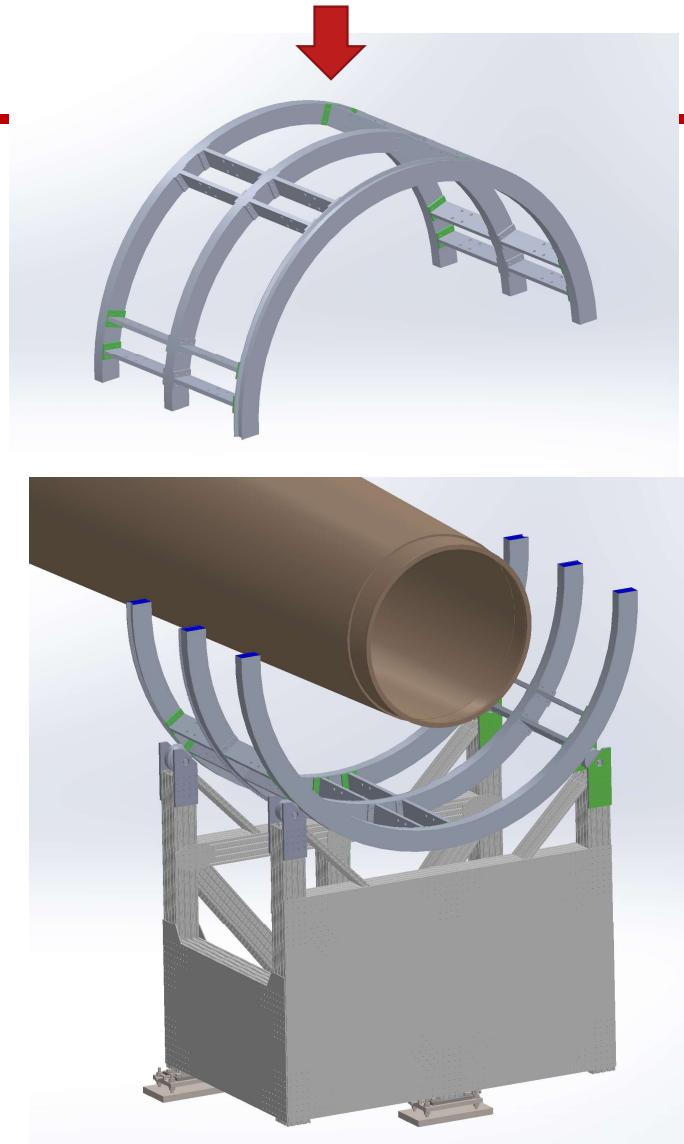
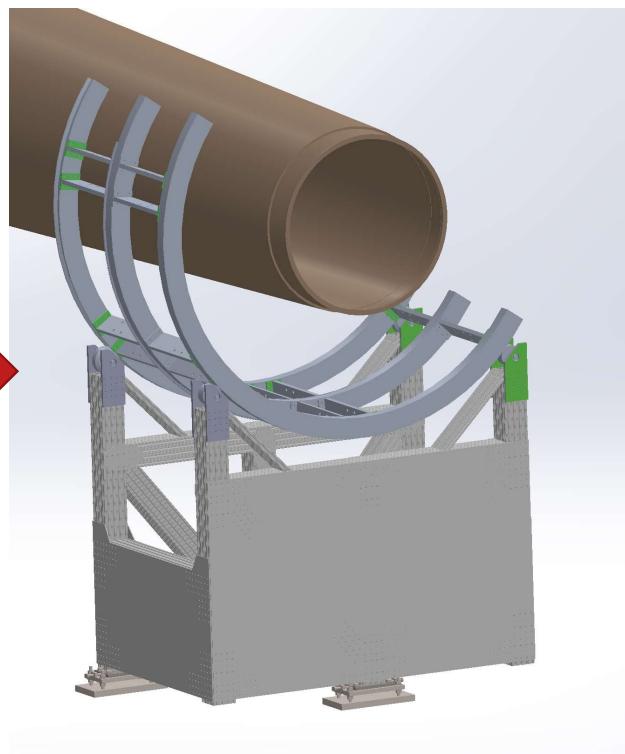
- Two at the upstream side, and one at the downstream side, grouted to Hall A floor
- ± 15 mm adjustment in the y direction (vertical) and ± 7.8 mm in the x direction. Give Pitch and Yaw adjustment.
- Location of the Rotator in z (beam direction) not critical.
- Roll angle for the GEMs is adjustable by the rotation mechanism.
- The base-leg adjusters follow designs commonly used in Hall A at JLab for adjustable mounting of heavy equipment.

Cable arrangements

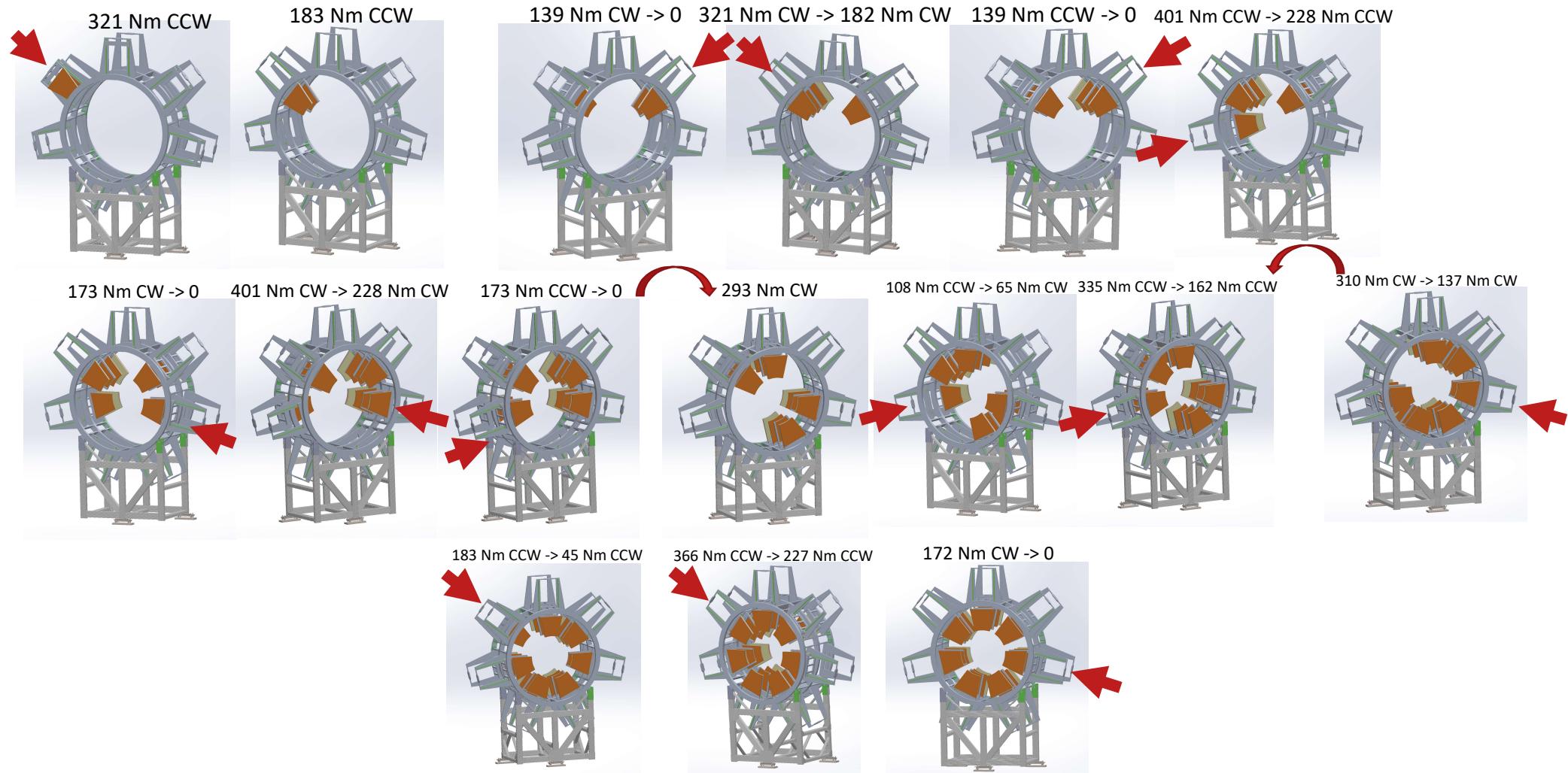
- Cables per GEM module
 - 4 HDMI cables (OD 7mm).
 - 1 gas lines (OD 6.35mm).
 - 1 High Voltage(HV) cable (OD 6mm).
- Cables per Trigger scintillator
 - 1 HV cable (OD 6mm).
 - 1 signal cable (OD 6mm).
- Radial motion
 - Option 1: Cable and hose carriers (Loop Ht. 14.4" or 22.2") - Nylon.
 - Option 2: Wire bundle attached on two points
- Rotational motion
 - Cable System suspend from above



Assembly procedure



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Summary

- GEM rotator
 - Mechanical design is mostly done.
 - Analysis (Static, seismic, Modal, Buckling) are completed.
 - Need to add connection details to the rotator wheel and complete the drawing package.
 - Support stand use commercially available parts other than base leg, side plates and bearing support.
- Radial and rotational motion
 - Stepper motor linear actuator is selected.
 - Radial motion motor and chain selected.
 - Need to select the drive controllers.
- Need to finalize the cable arrangements