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- Model 3474-140 GMW water-cooled electromagnet
- Variable pole gap (0mm to 160mm)

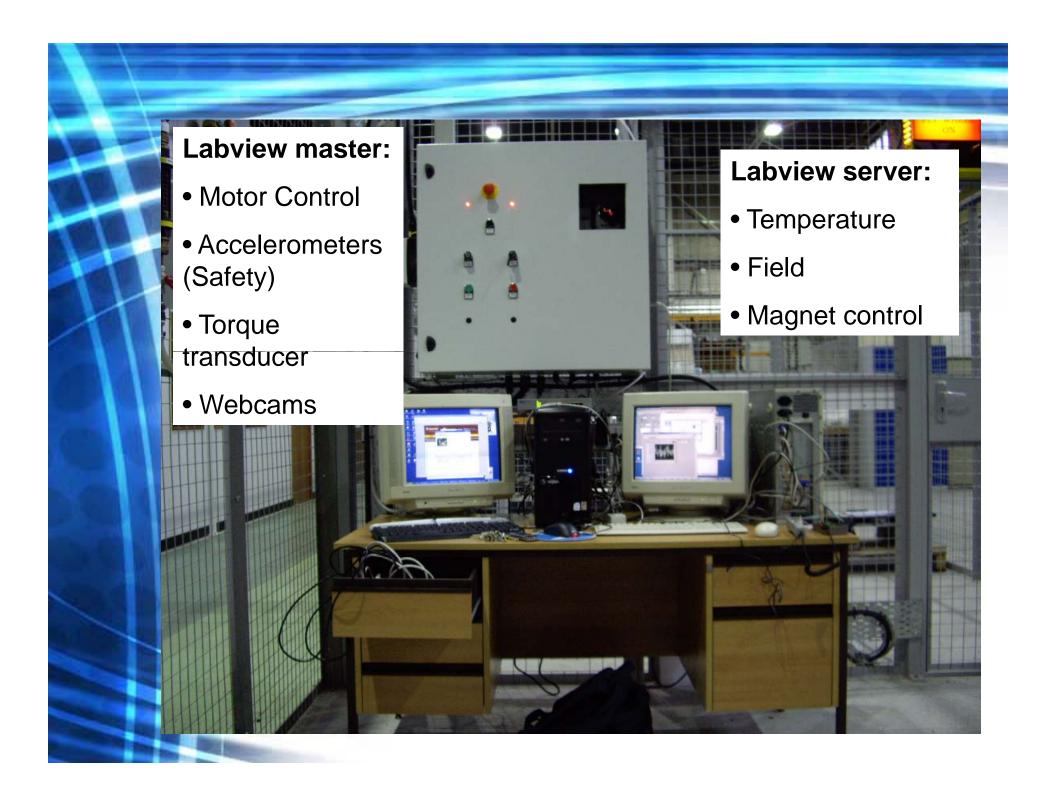
- Ti alloy wheel.
- Wheel support stand.
- 15 kW drive motor (Control Techniques)

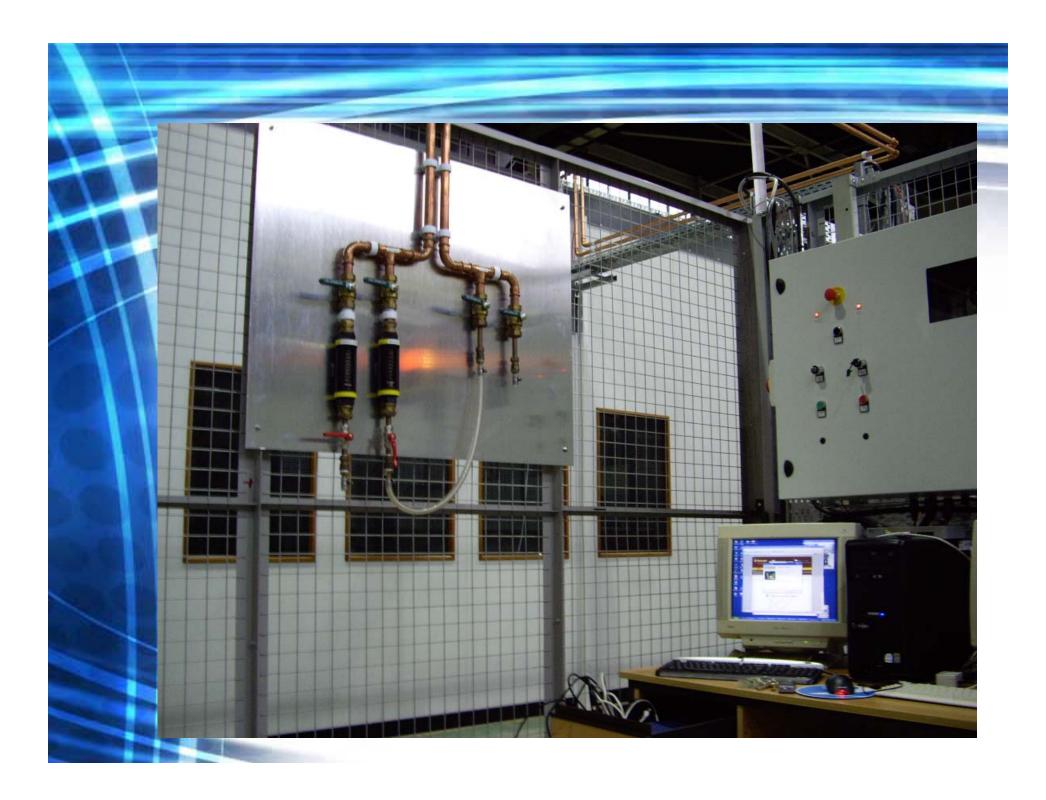
## Progress Since ANL Meeting (Sep '07)

- Electricity and water rerouted to caged area.
- Ti alloy wheel manufactured and installed.
- Torque transducer delivered (late) and installed.
- Motor power supply and interlocks complete.
- Magnet support stand manufactured.
- Torque transducer stand manufactured.
- Magnet guarding designed and manufactured.
- Preliminary local guarding design complete.
  - Awaiting quotes.
- DAQ design still being finalised.
  - Calibration underway.
- Cooling system not yet fully designed.
  - Main cooling fan ordered.

## **DAQ Overview**

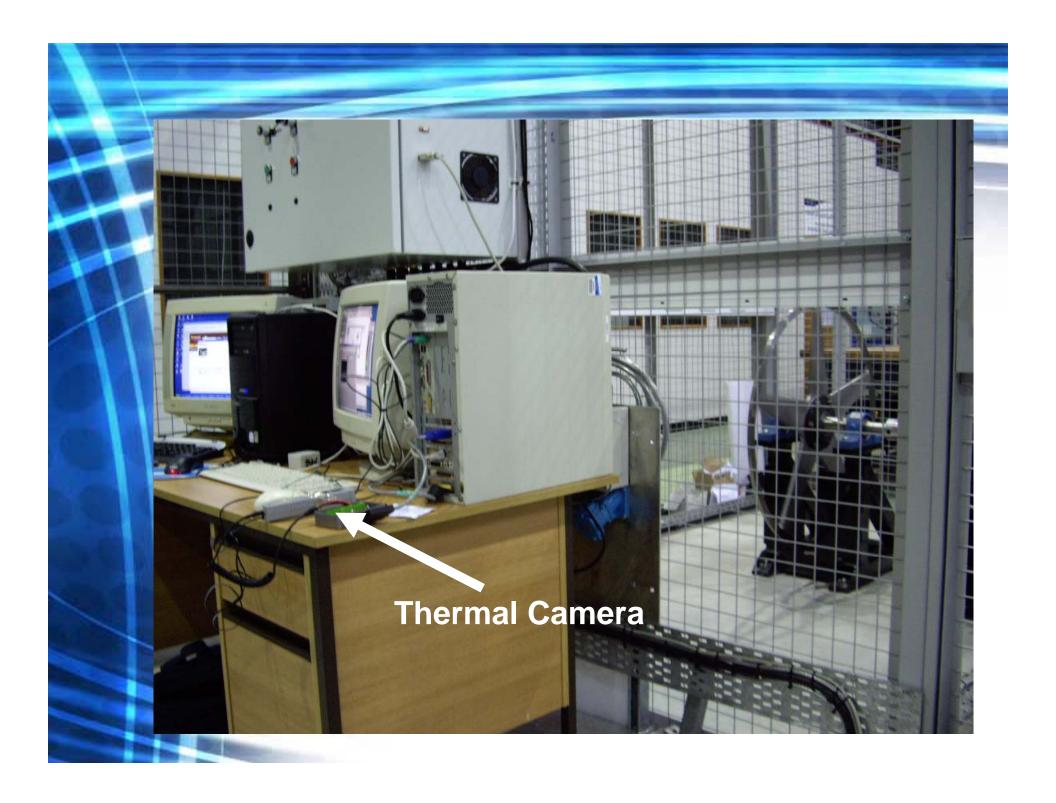
- Transducers interfaced to PC / LabView
- Torque transducer
  - Coupled to motor and drive shaft
    - Moduflex coupling
  - 0.1% accuracy
  - Sampling at ~3 kHz ⇒ at least one reading per spoke per revolution at 2000 rpm
- Accelerometers (one per bearing)
  - Require 1×10<sup>-3</sup> m"g" sensitivity at ~1 kHz
- Temperature transducers
  - Thermocouples (pole caps?, exhaust air, support structures)
  - IR sensors (pole caps?, shaft, wheel rim)
  - Black paint to reduce emissivity of metal surfaces?
  - Tests underway...
- Hall probe



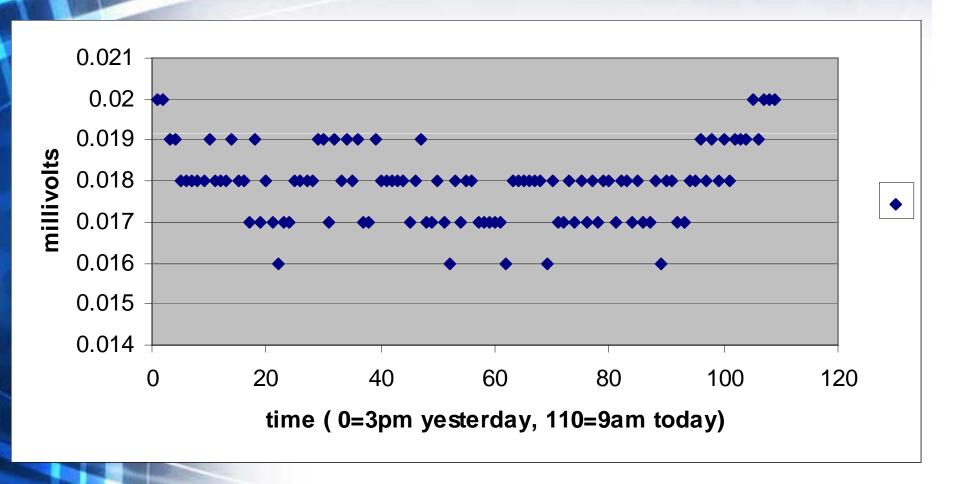




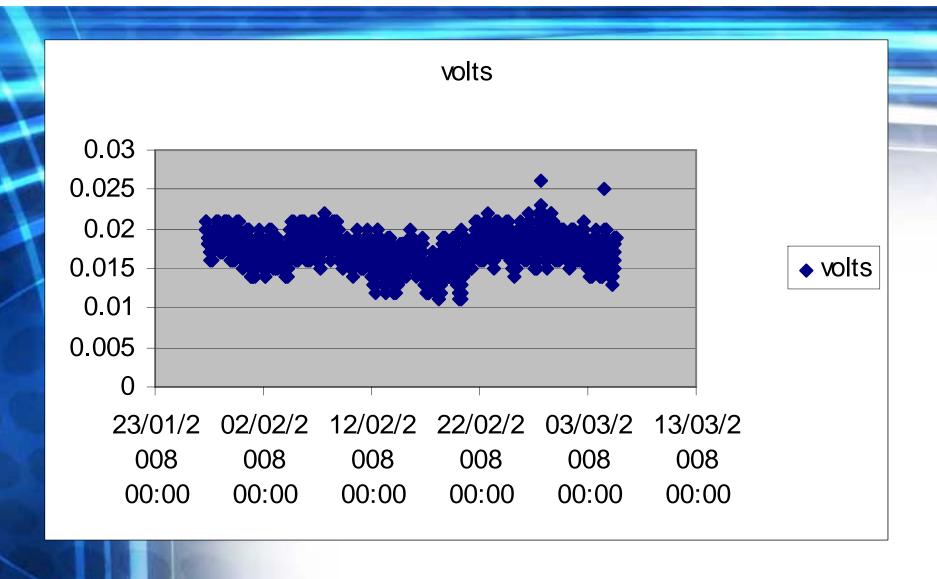




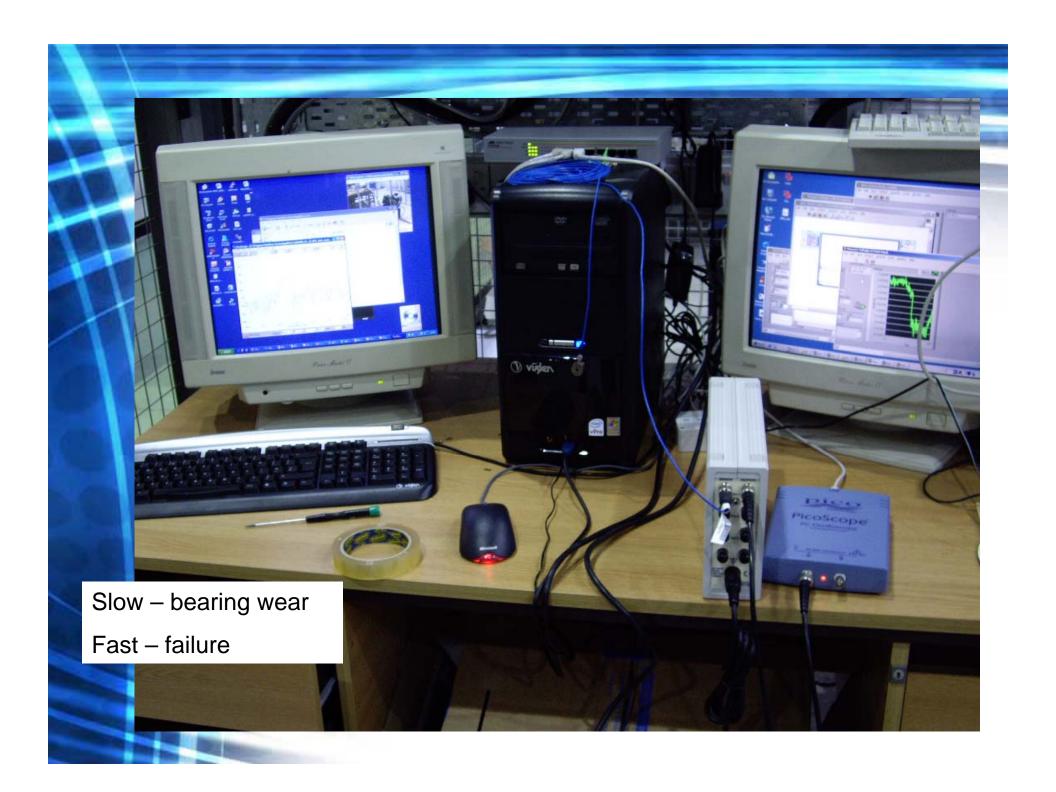


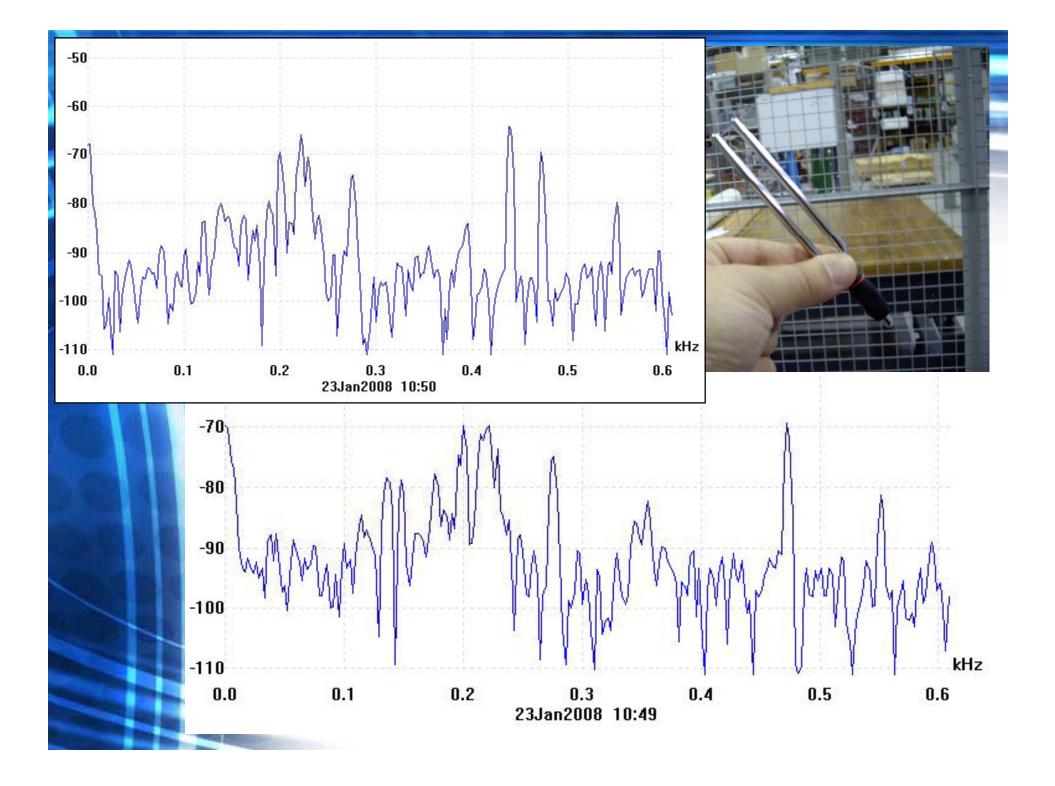


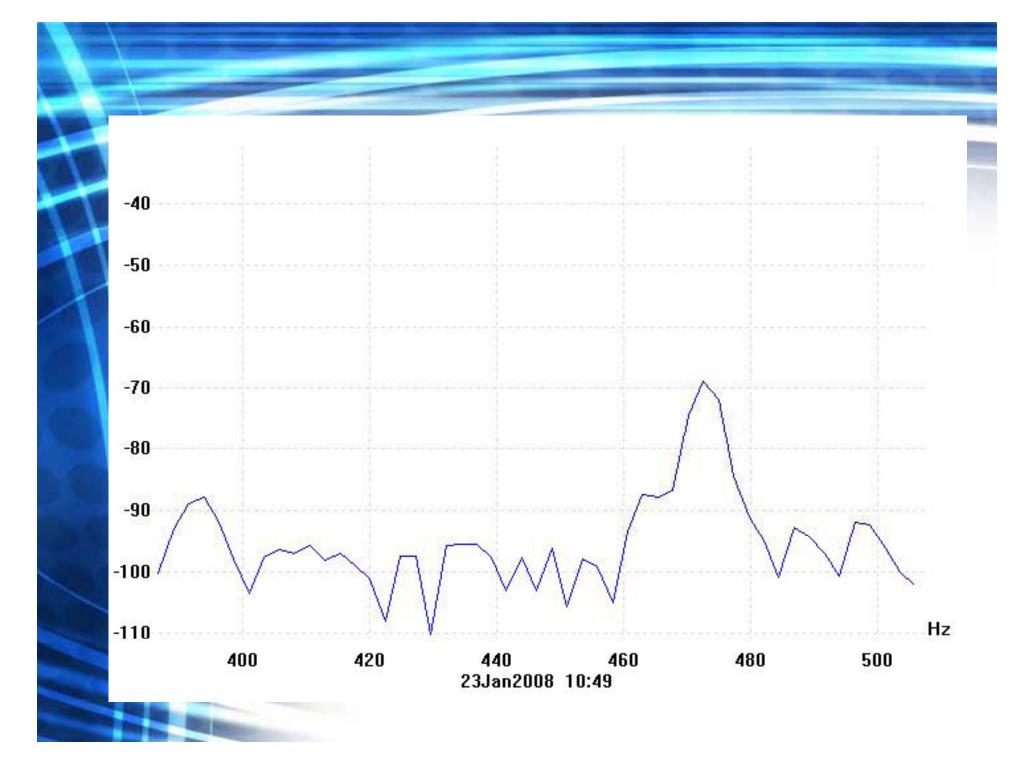
Wheel may reach 200 degrees...

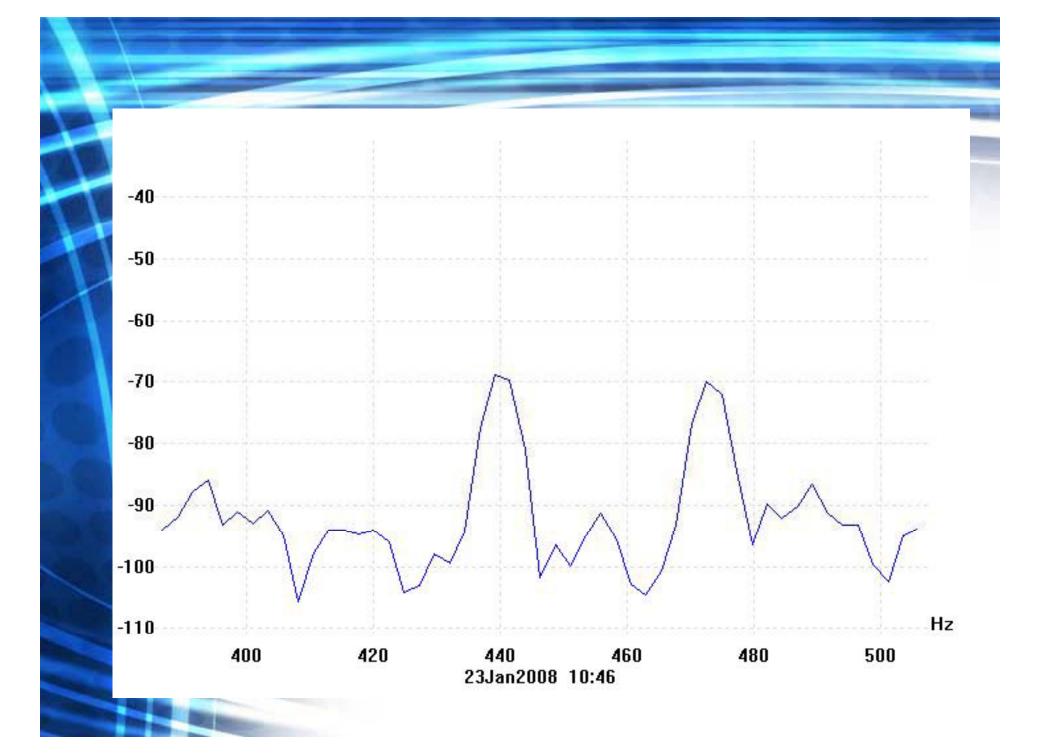


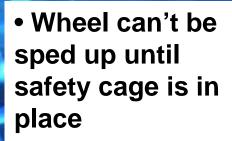
Ice and oven ready: calibration coming very soon...!



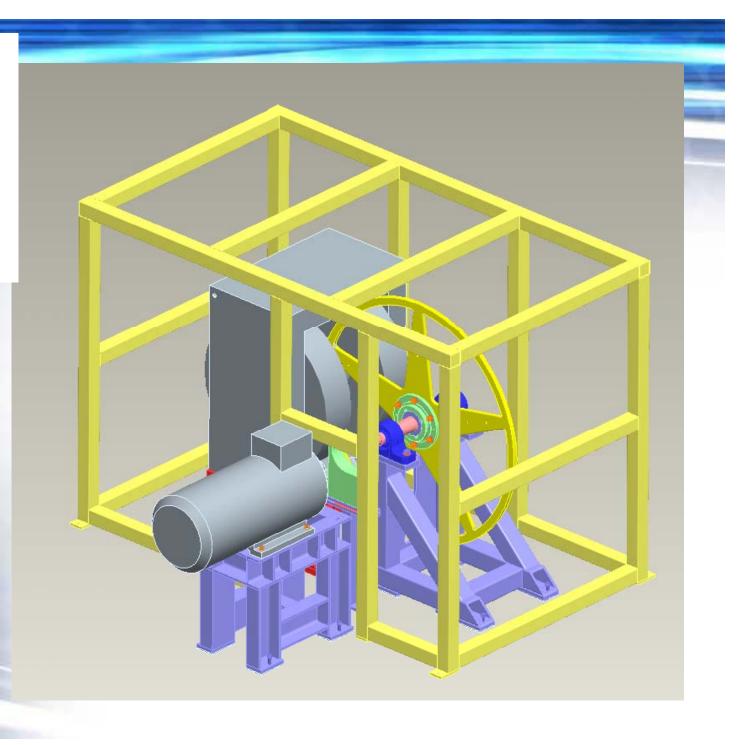


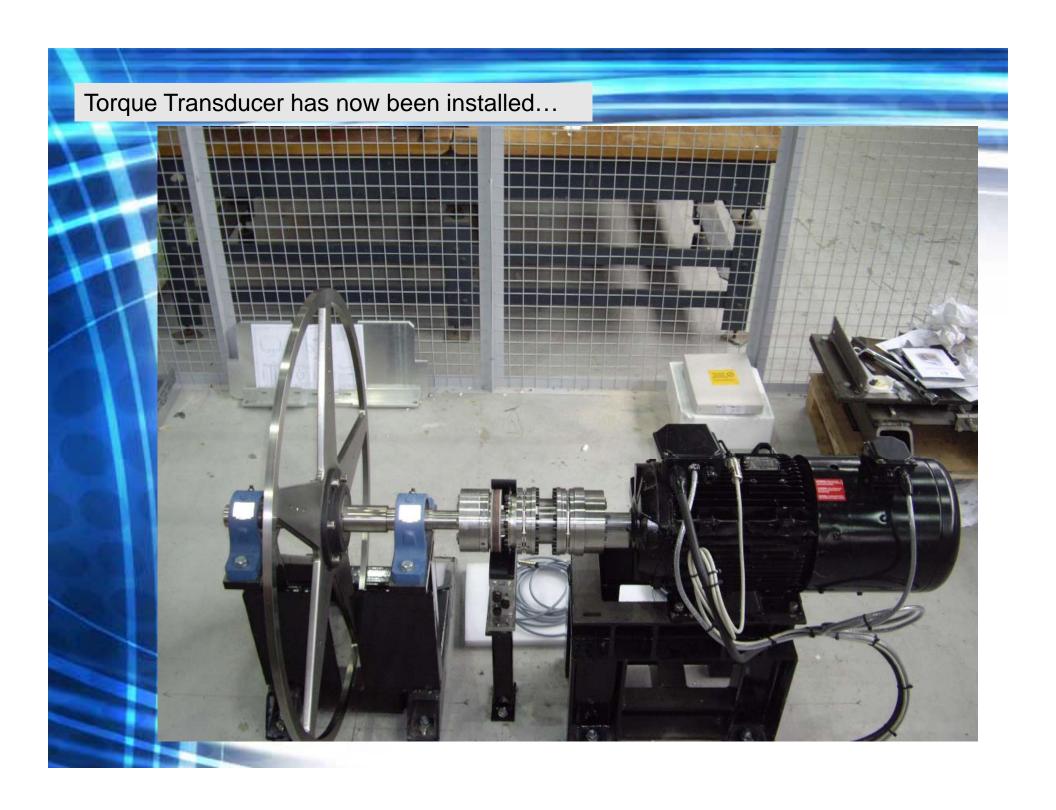


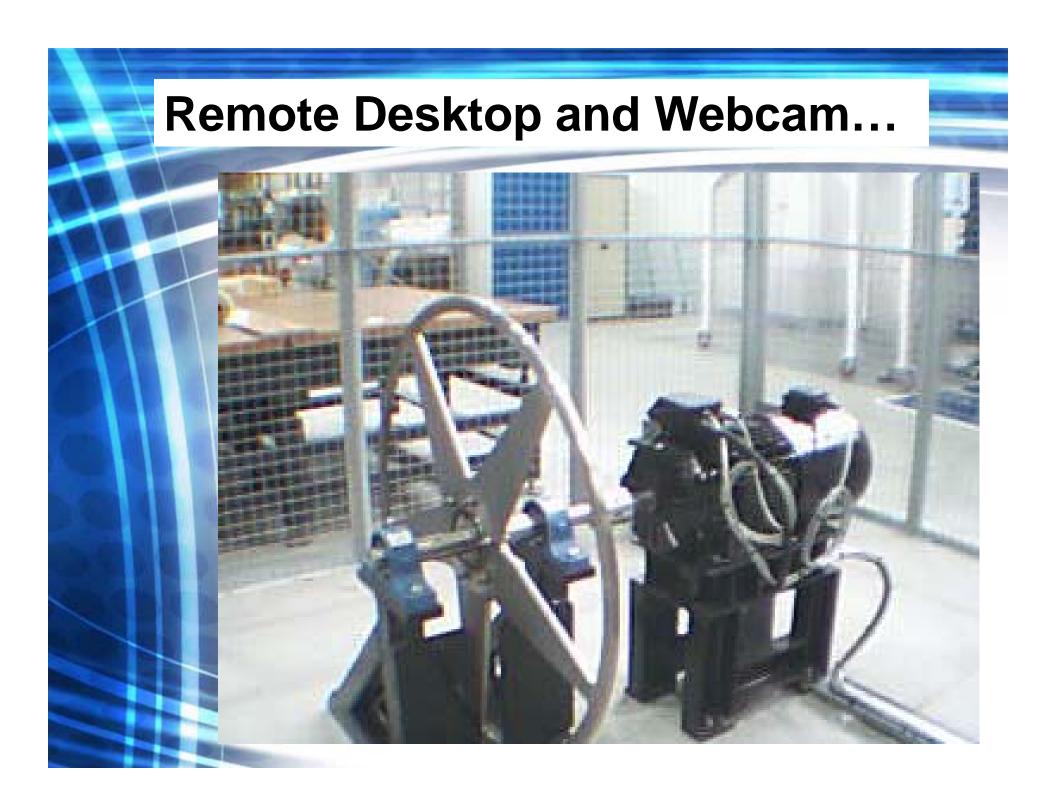




Mechanical design gone out to tender







## **Experimental Programme**

- Balancing and initial commissioning ~Nov 07
- Operation of wheel without magnet ~Dec 07 onwards
  - Calibrating transducers and DAQ
- Operation of wheel in magnetic field ~May to Jul 08
  - Was scheduled to start in Jan 08.
  - Systematic scan of field strength (0T to 1T in 0.2T steps)
  - Systematic scan of ang. vel. (0rpm ro 2000rpm in 50rpm steps) avoiding critical speeds.
  - Torque and temperature readings to be compared with the predictions of computer simulations.
  - Immersion depths?
- Long-term operation of wheel to monitor stability ~Aug 08
- Additional investigations using aluminium wheel or modifying conductivity of wheel rim also possible.
  - Very unlikely due to lack of funding.
- Experiment complete by Nov 08.

## Remaining Work

- Eddy current simulations
  - Need simulations to compare with data
  - Effects of spokes in field (~1% torque increase?)
  - Varying rim immersion
  - Hopefully from LLNL(?)
- Thermal and fatigue calculations
  - LLNL already provided.
  - Crosschecks ongoing at RAL
- Material tests
  - Hardness tests to gauge stress state of wheel
  - Was happening at LLNL...
- Finalise DAQ
  - Ongoing at DL/CI
- Guarding simulations
  - MoU between DL and LLNL being drafted
  - Also crosscheck at RAL
- Finalise guarding design and integrate with cooling fan.
  - Ongoing at DL

