



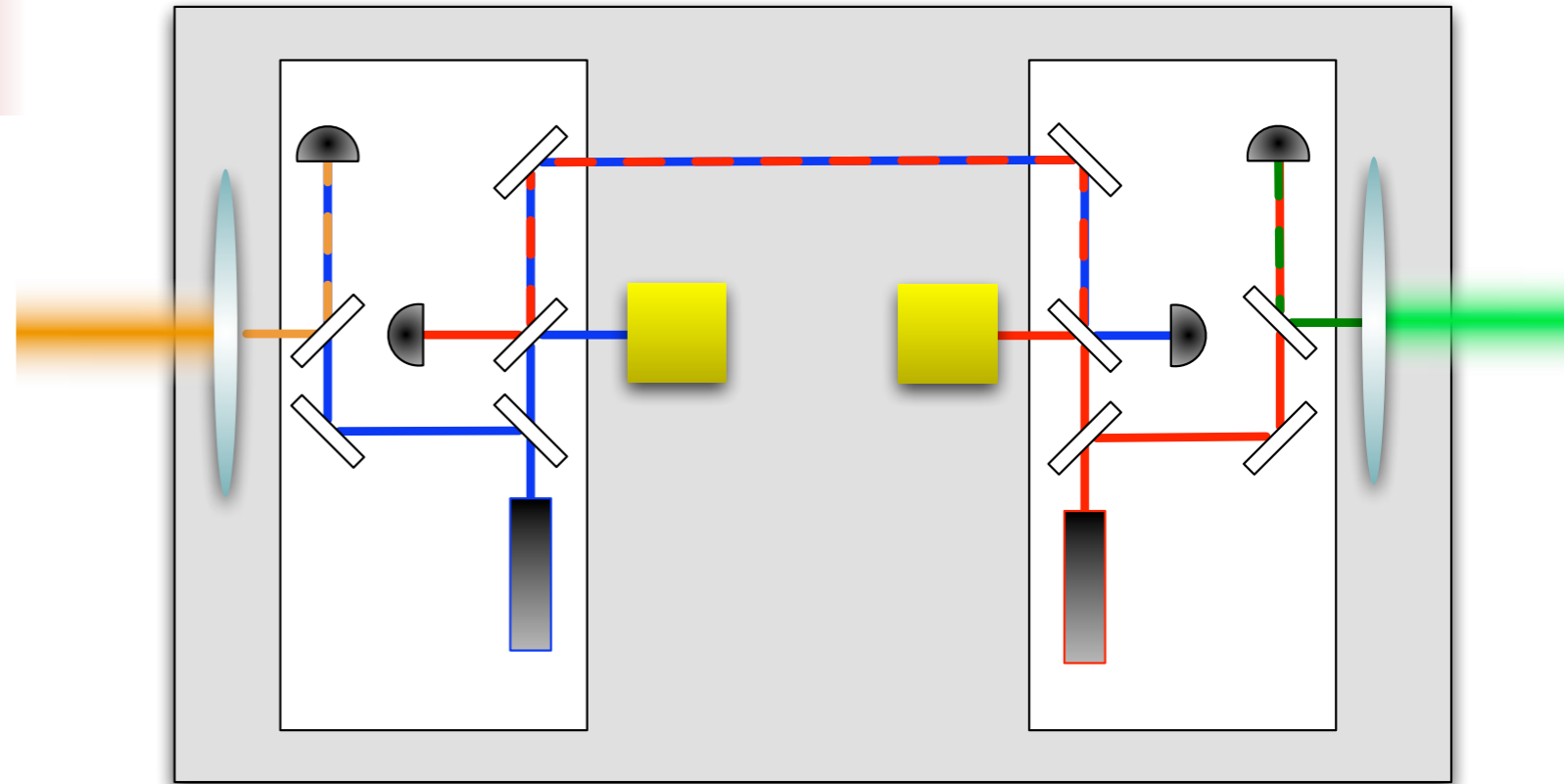
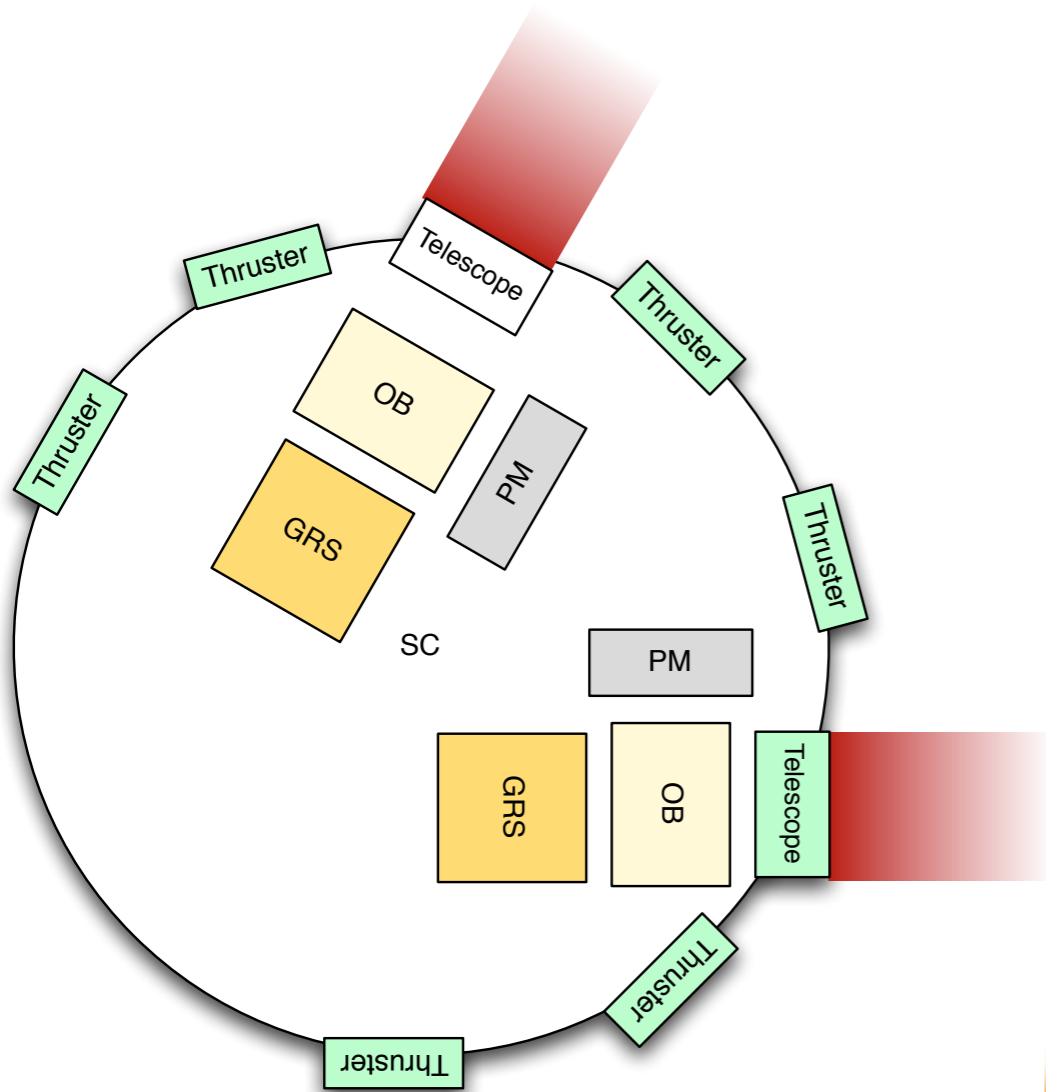
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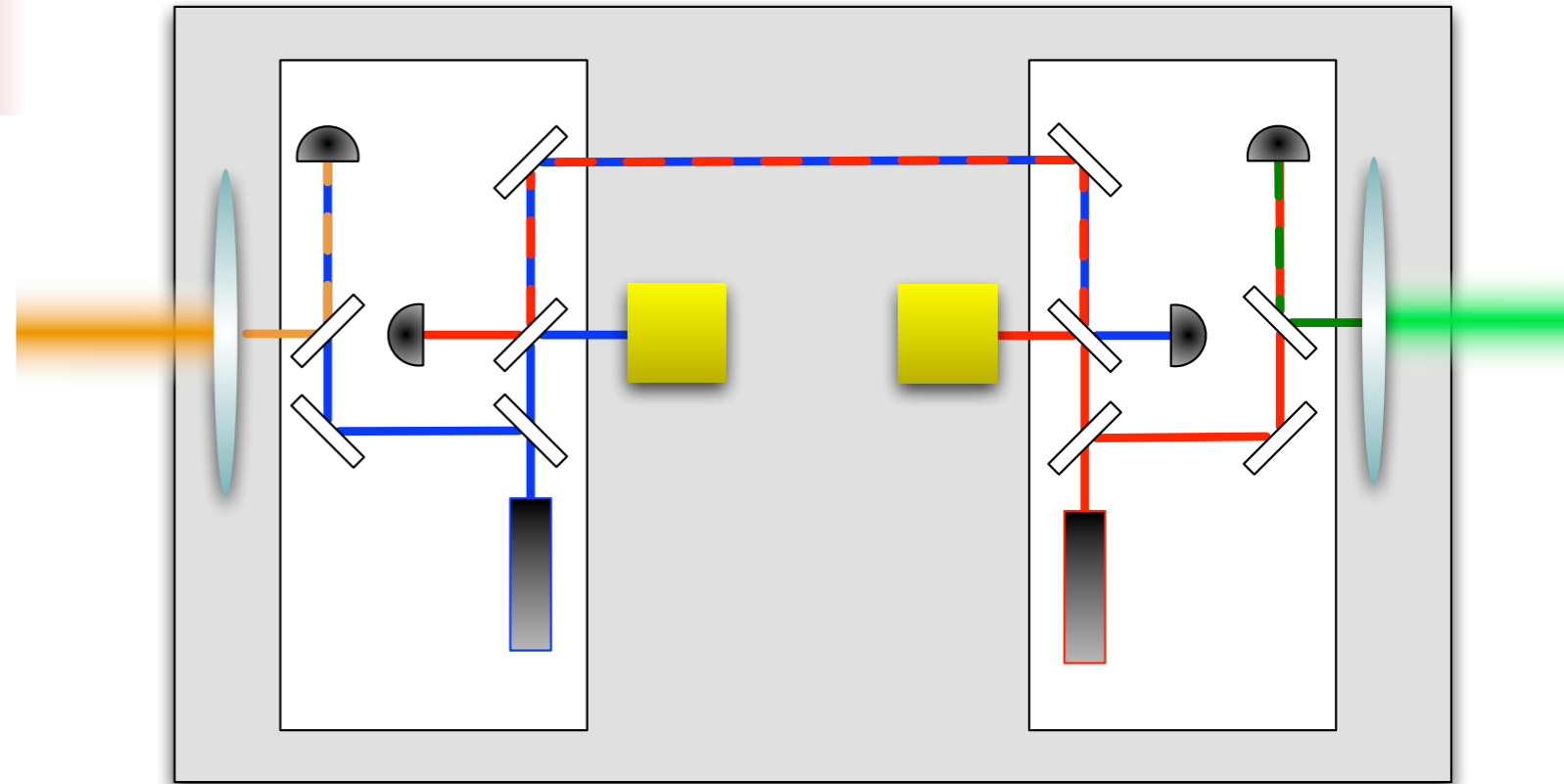
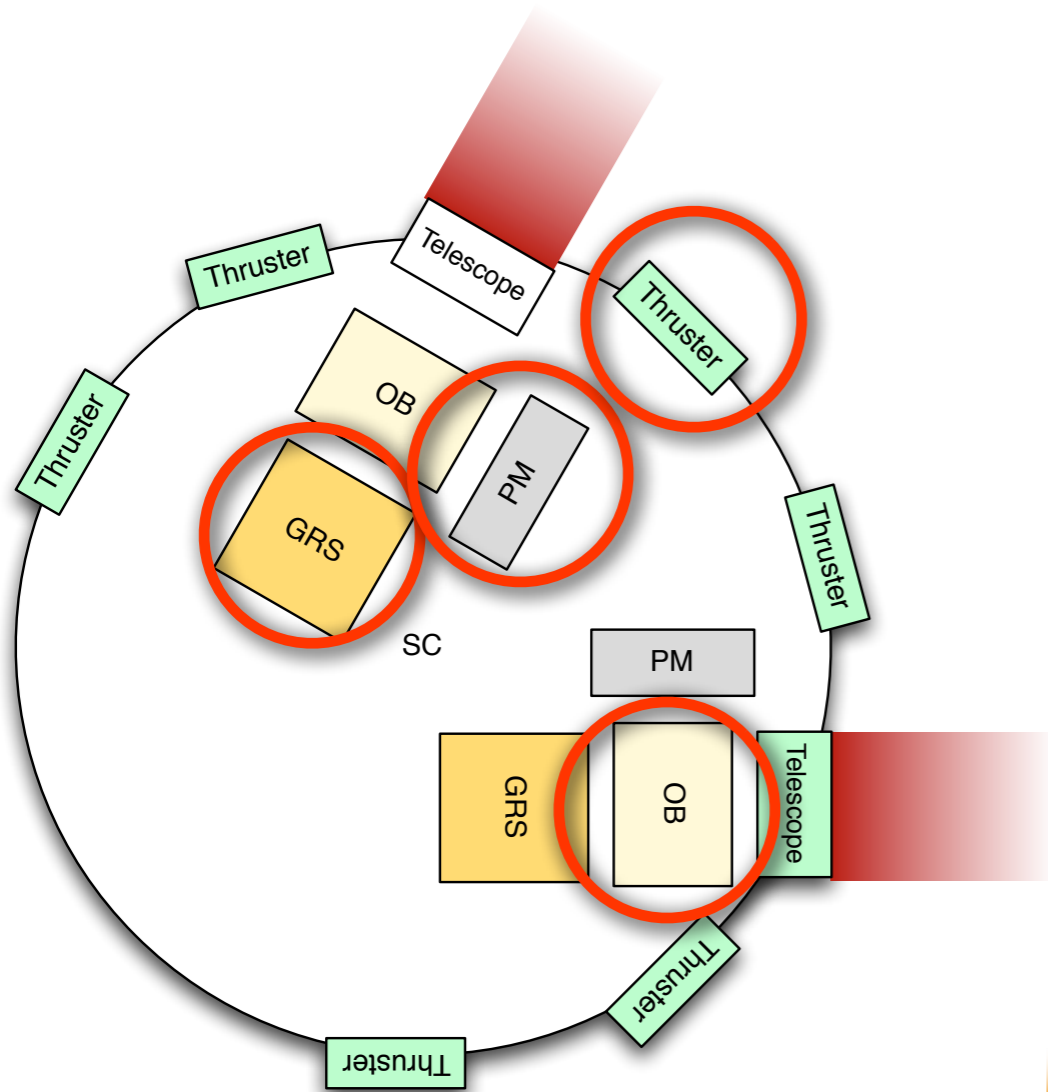
LISA Pathfinder

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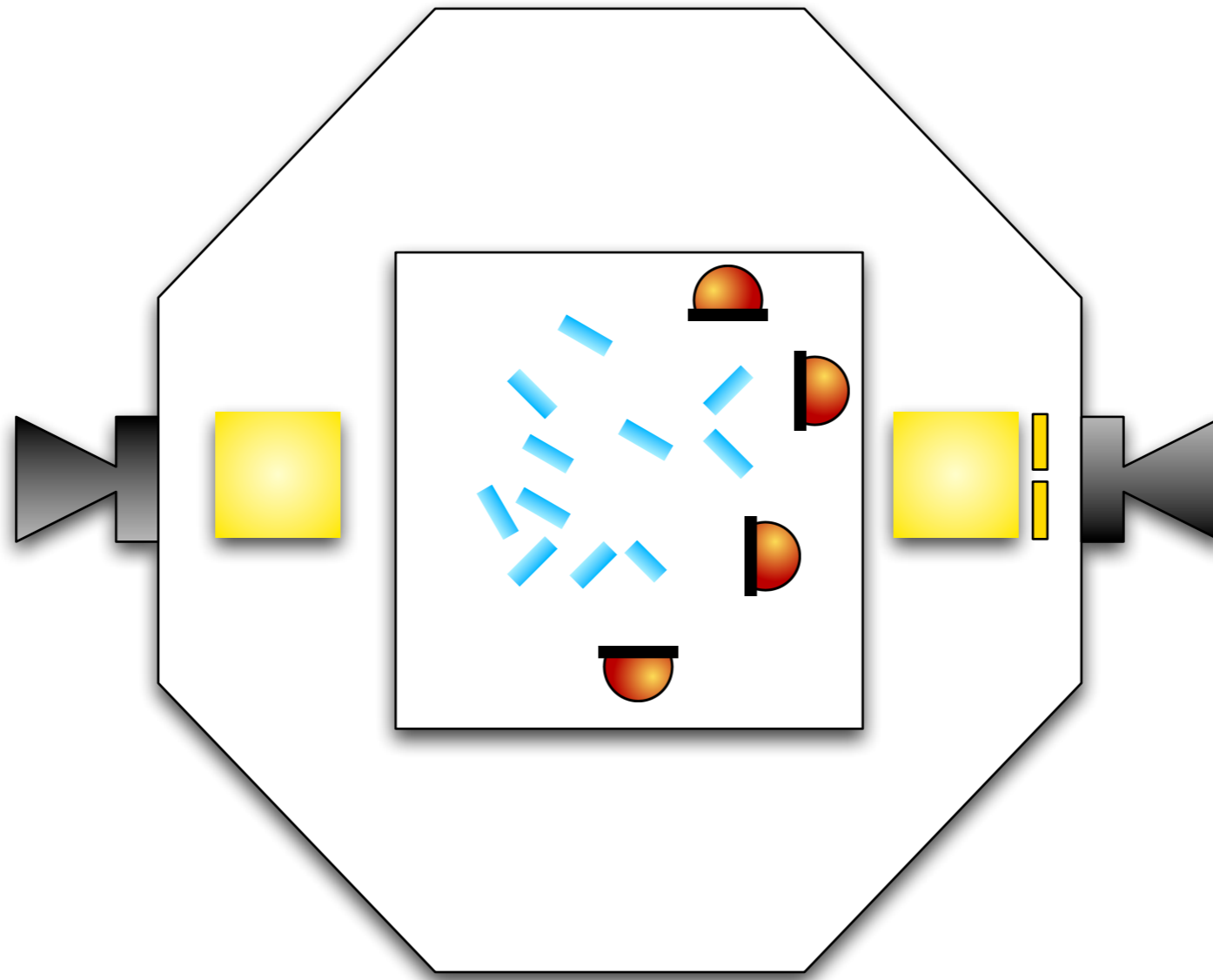
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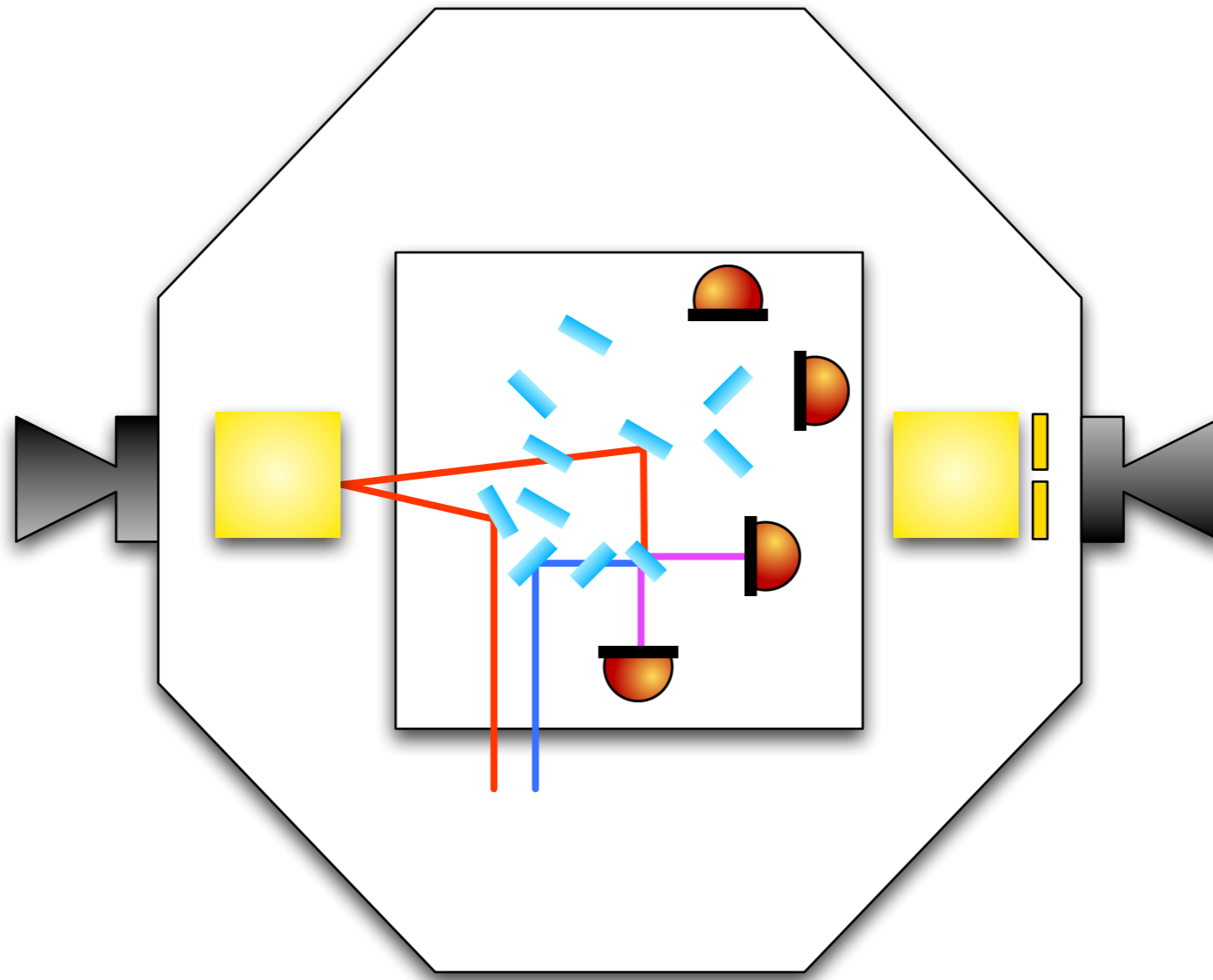
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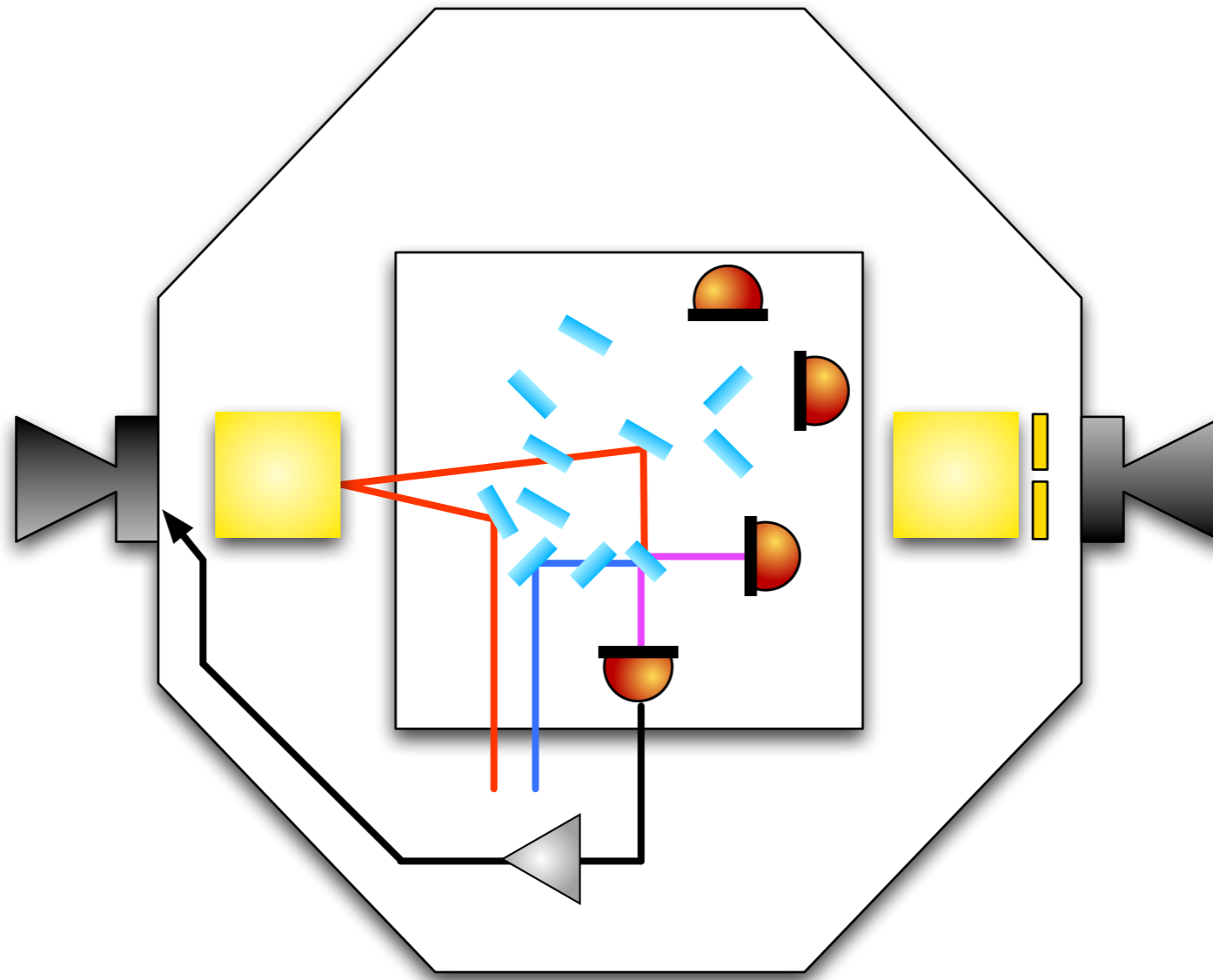
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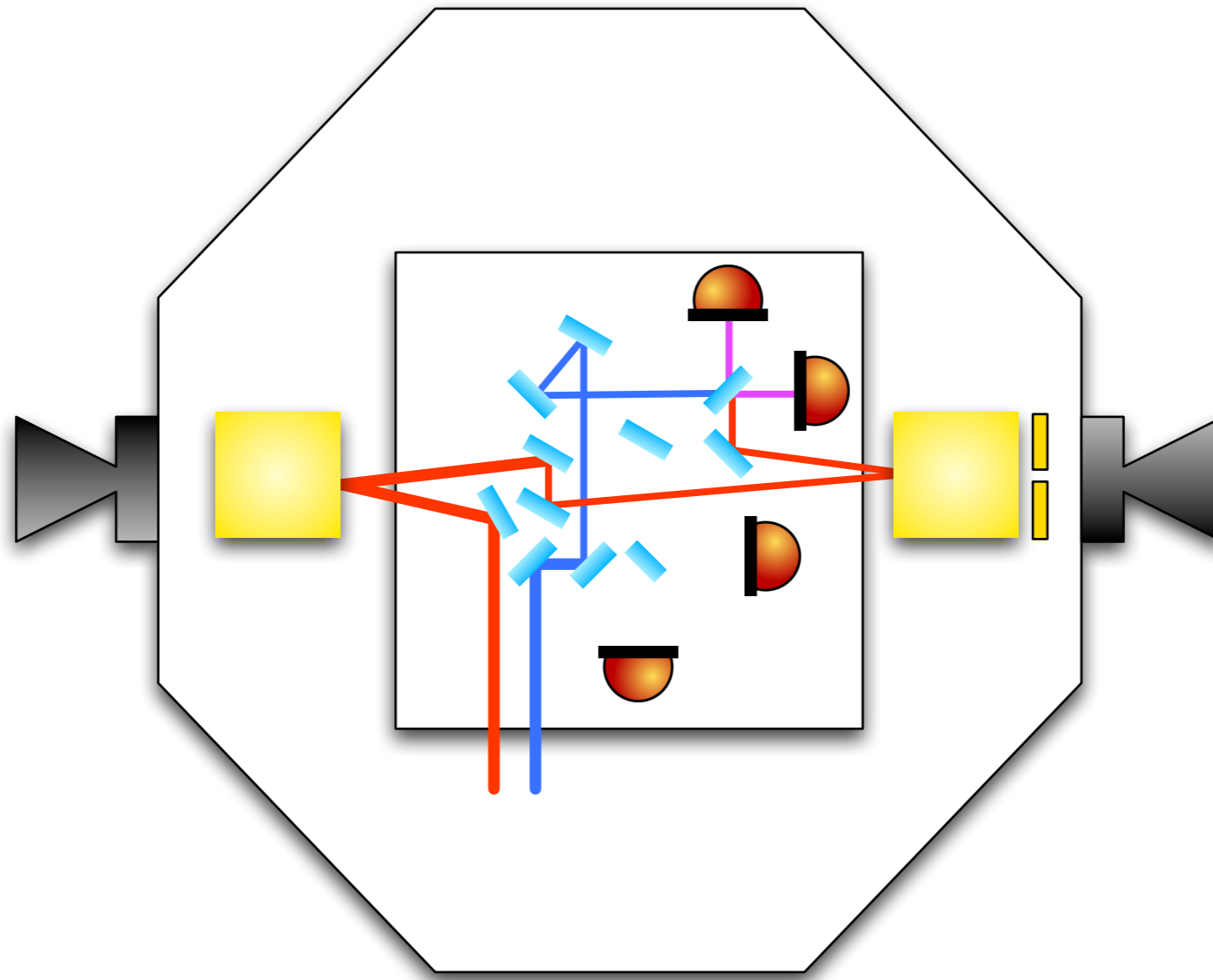
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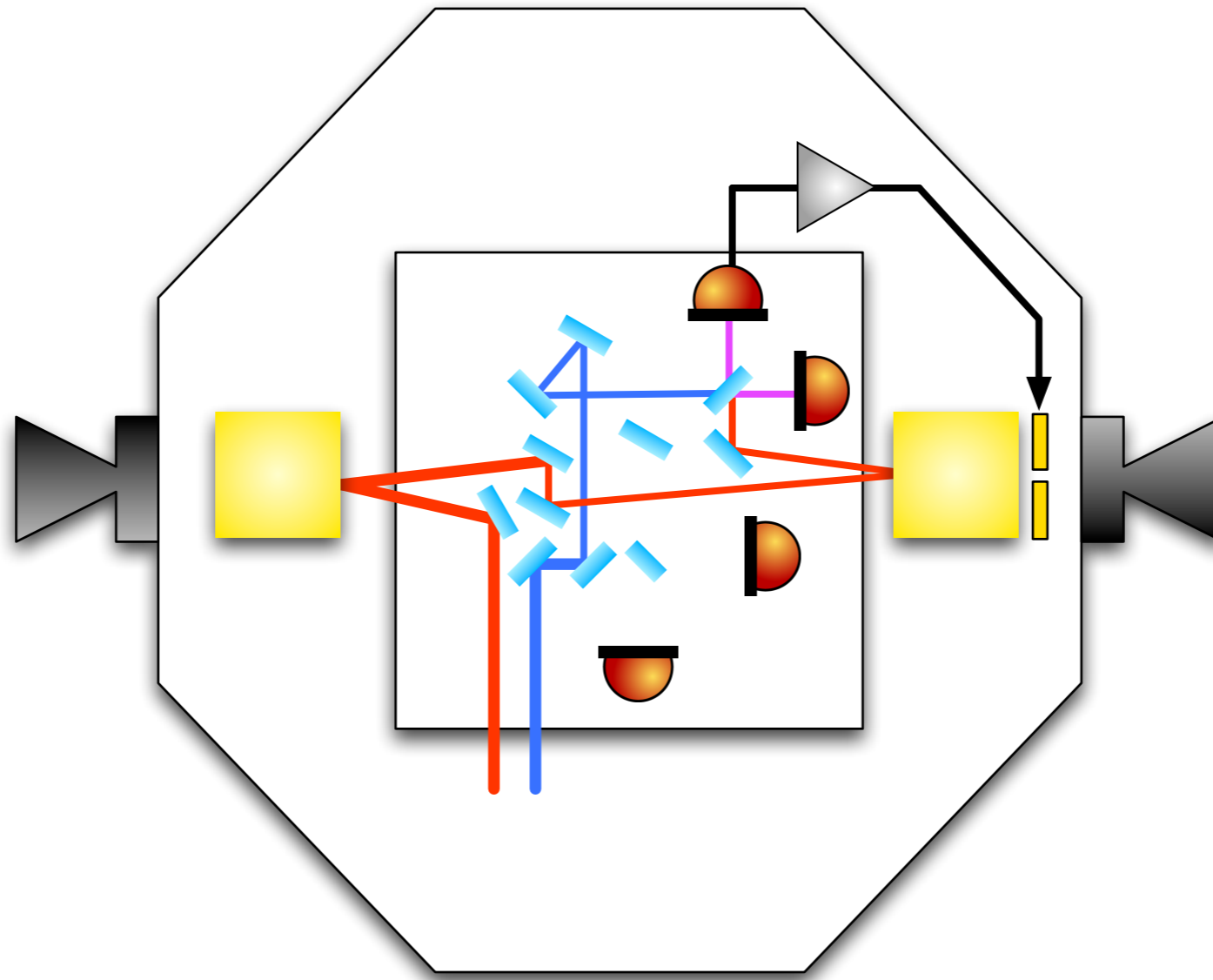
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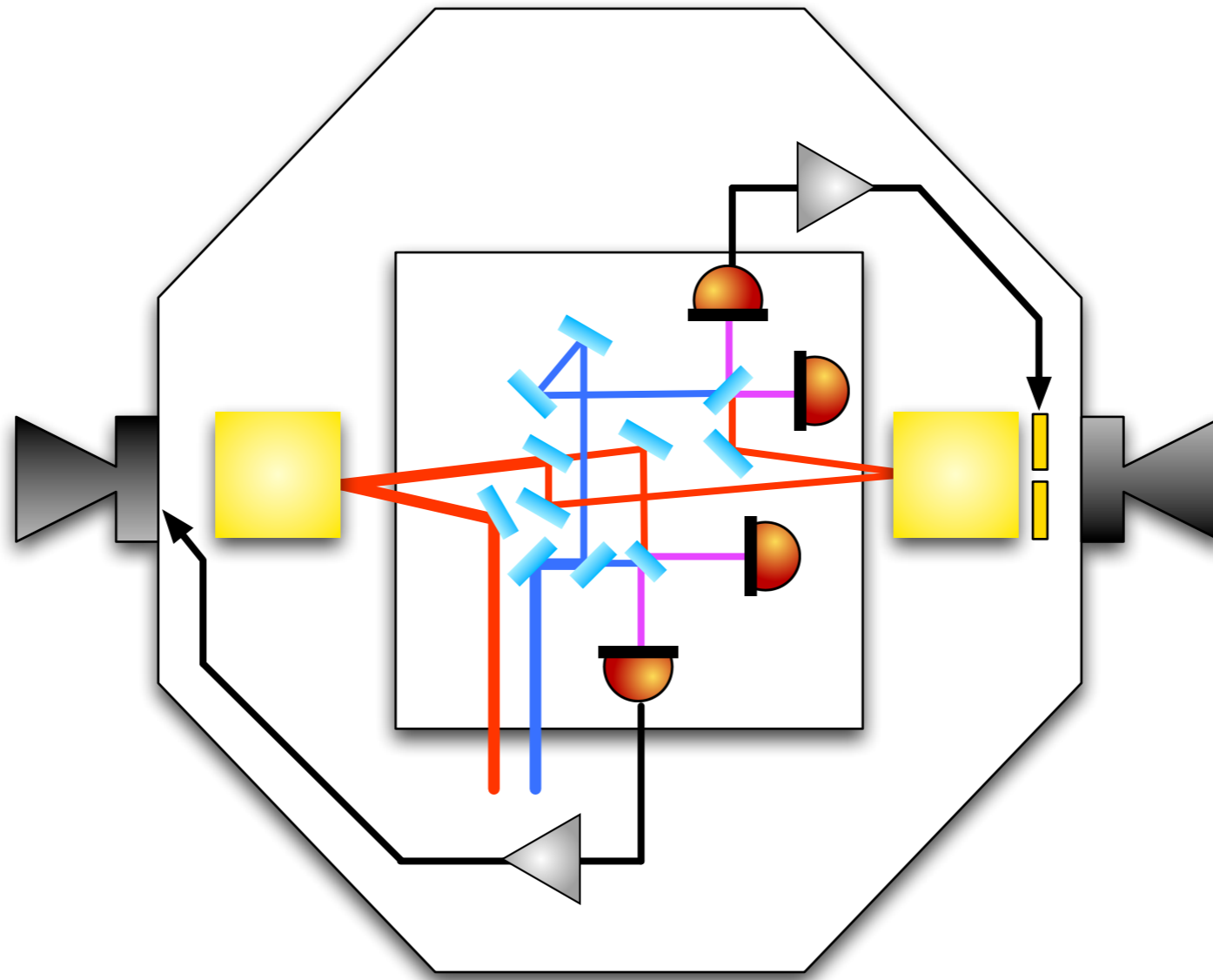
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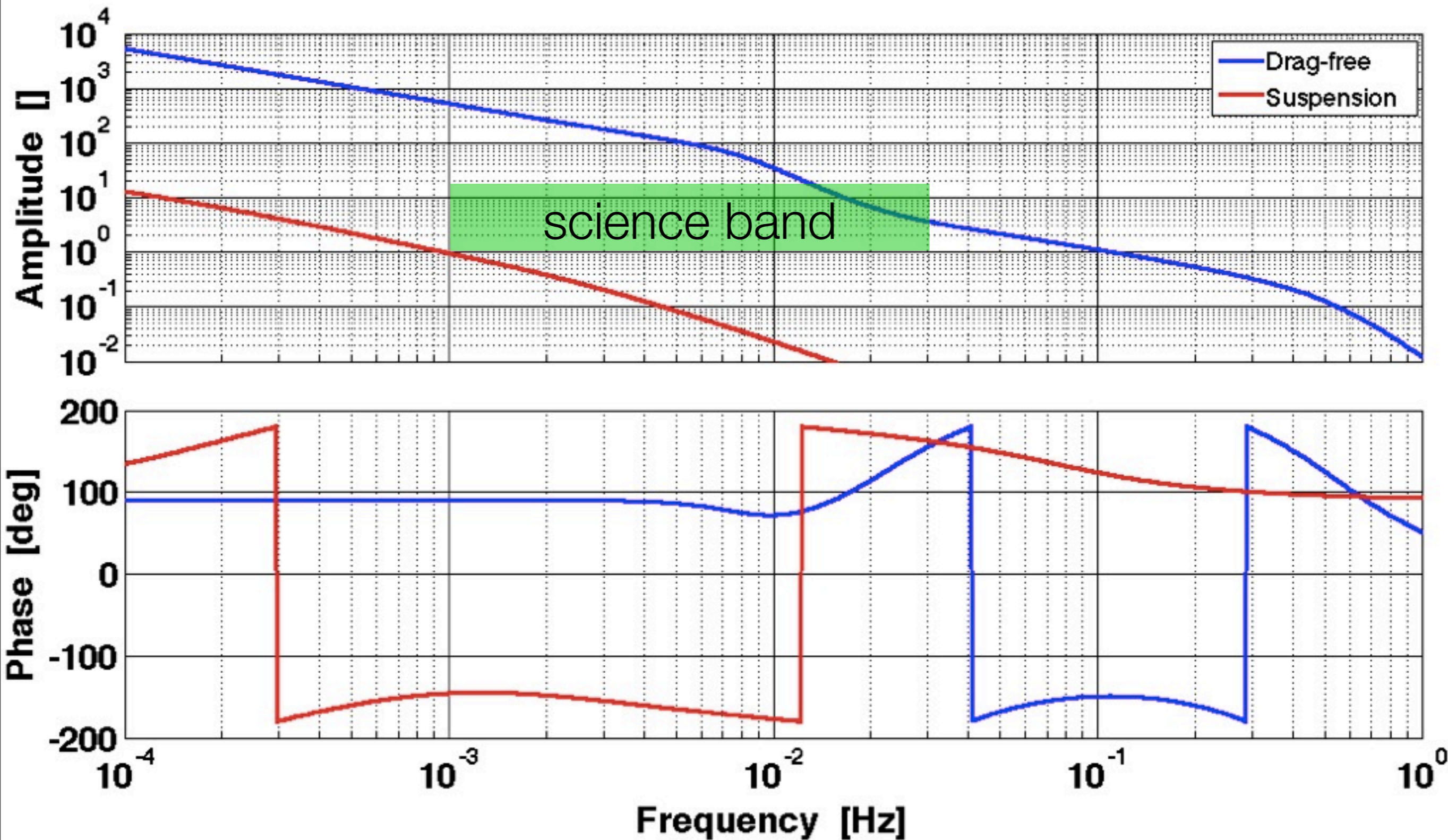
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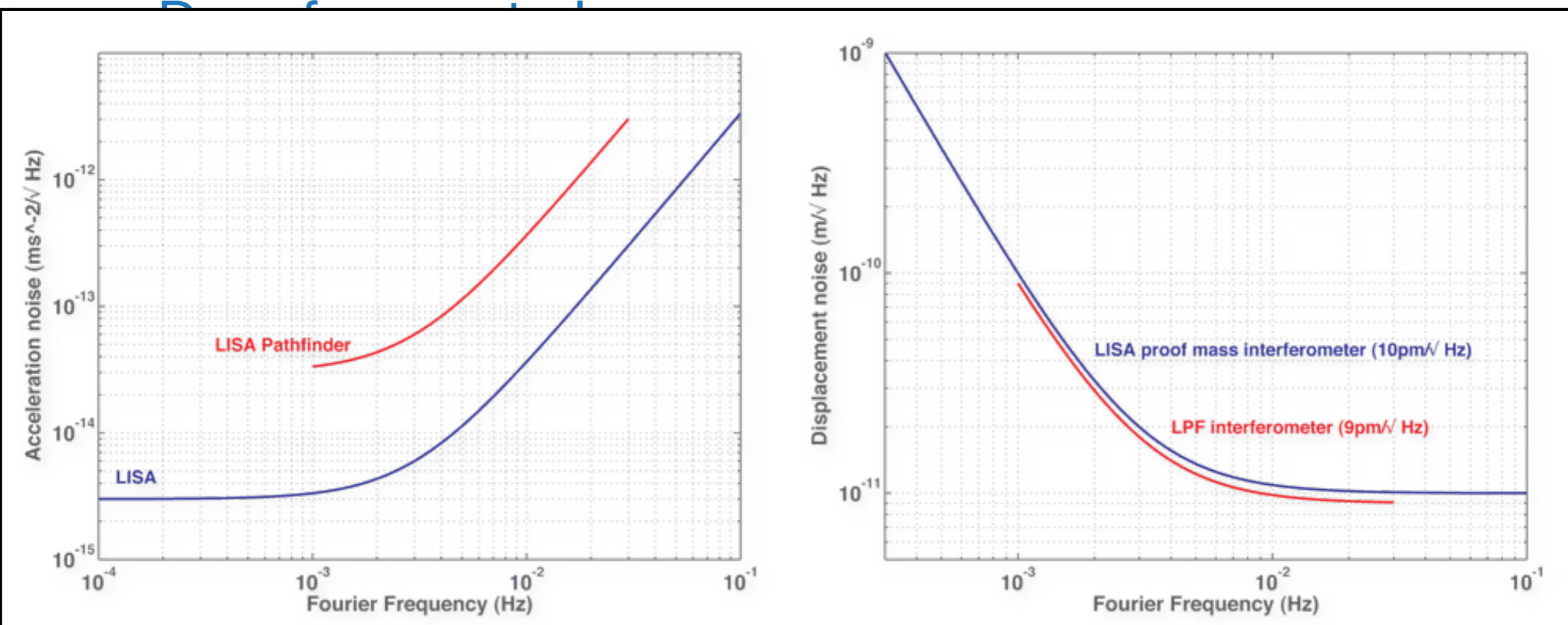


- Technology demonstrator for LISA:
 - micro-Newton propulsion
 - Gravitational Reference Sensor
 - Interferometric techniques
 - Drag-free control
- Requirements relaxed
 - 1 order of magnitude in differential acceleration
 - 1 order of magnitude higher frequency

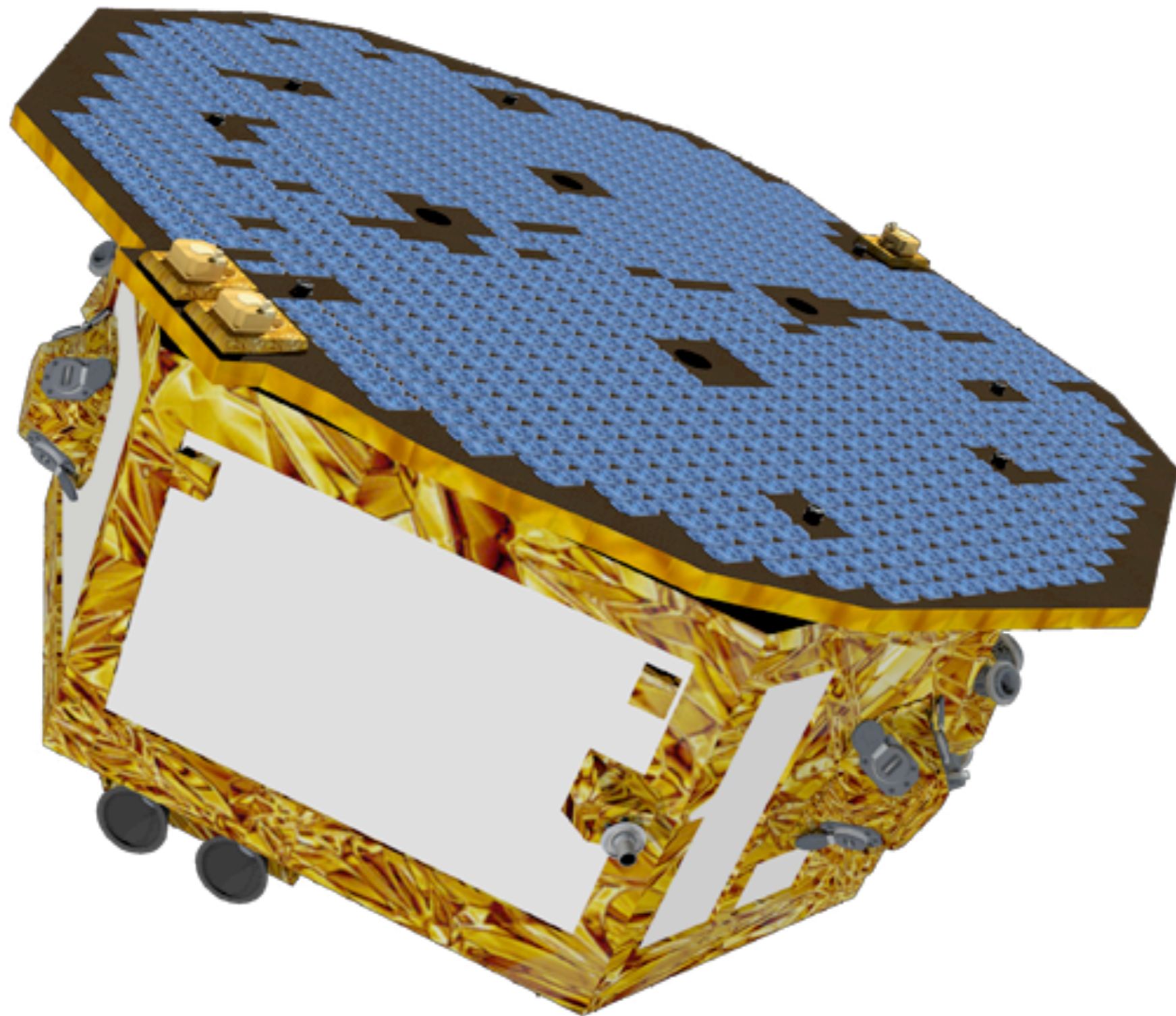


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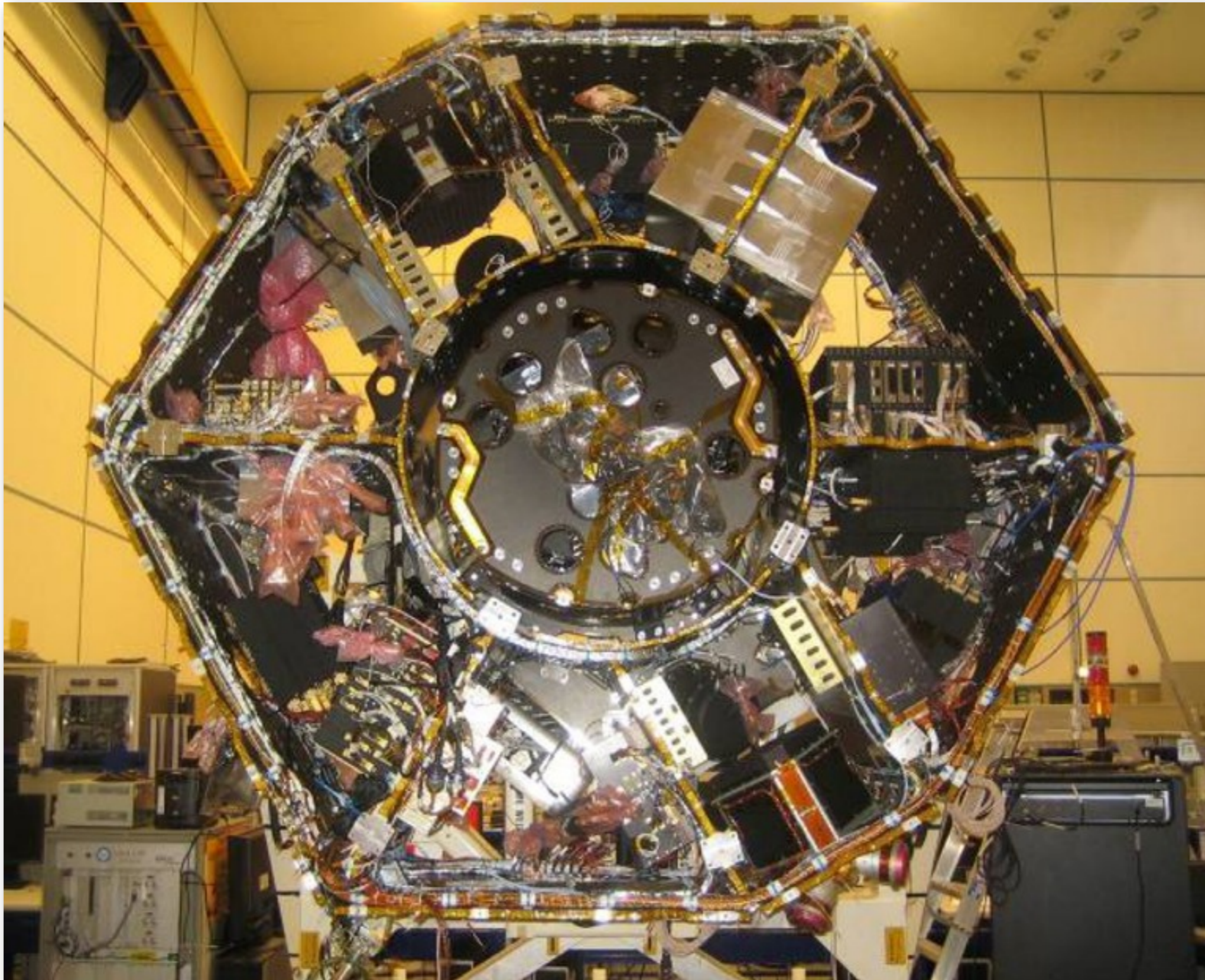
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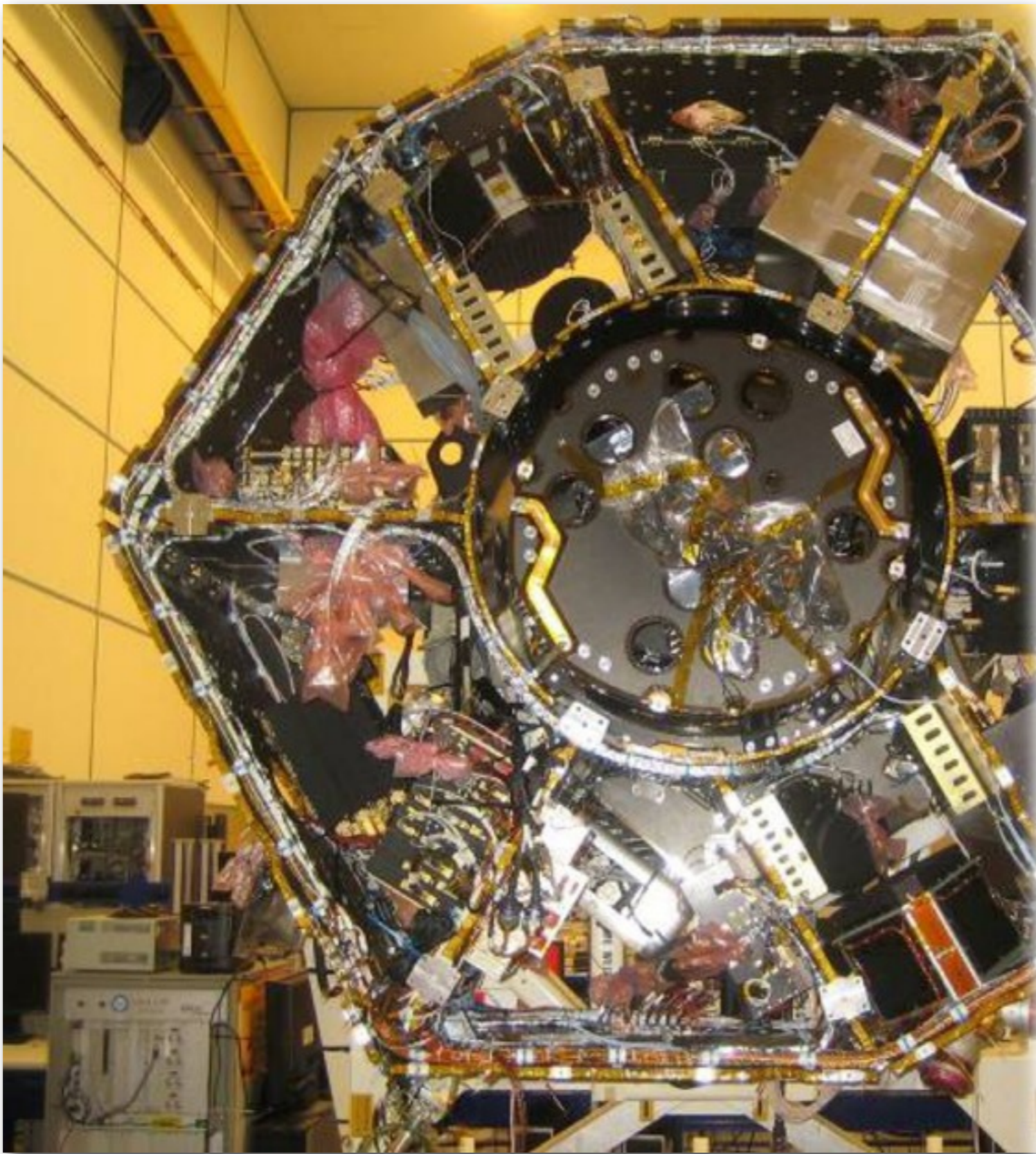
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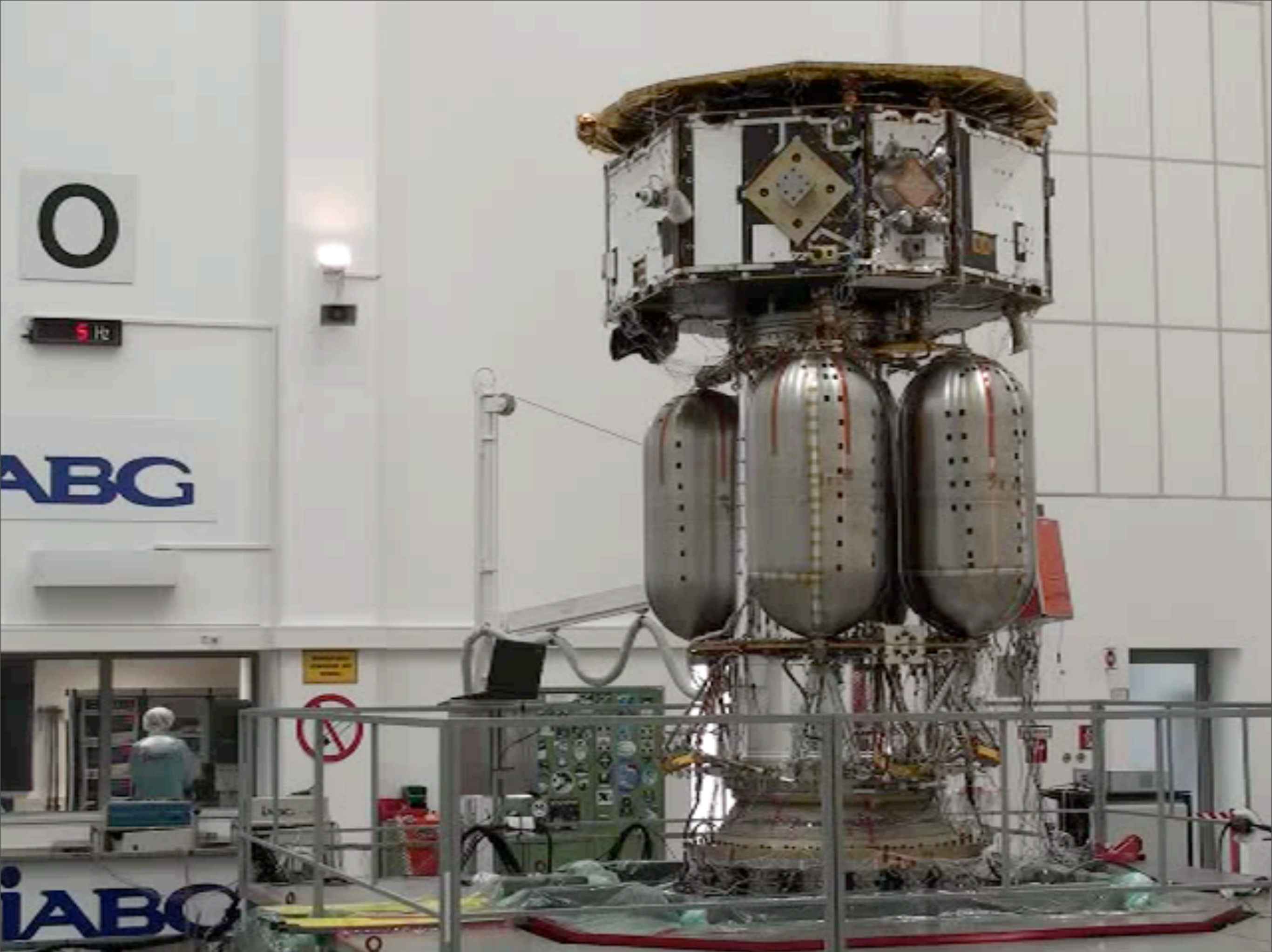


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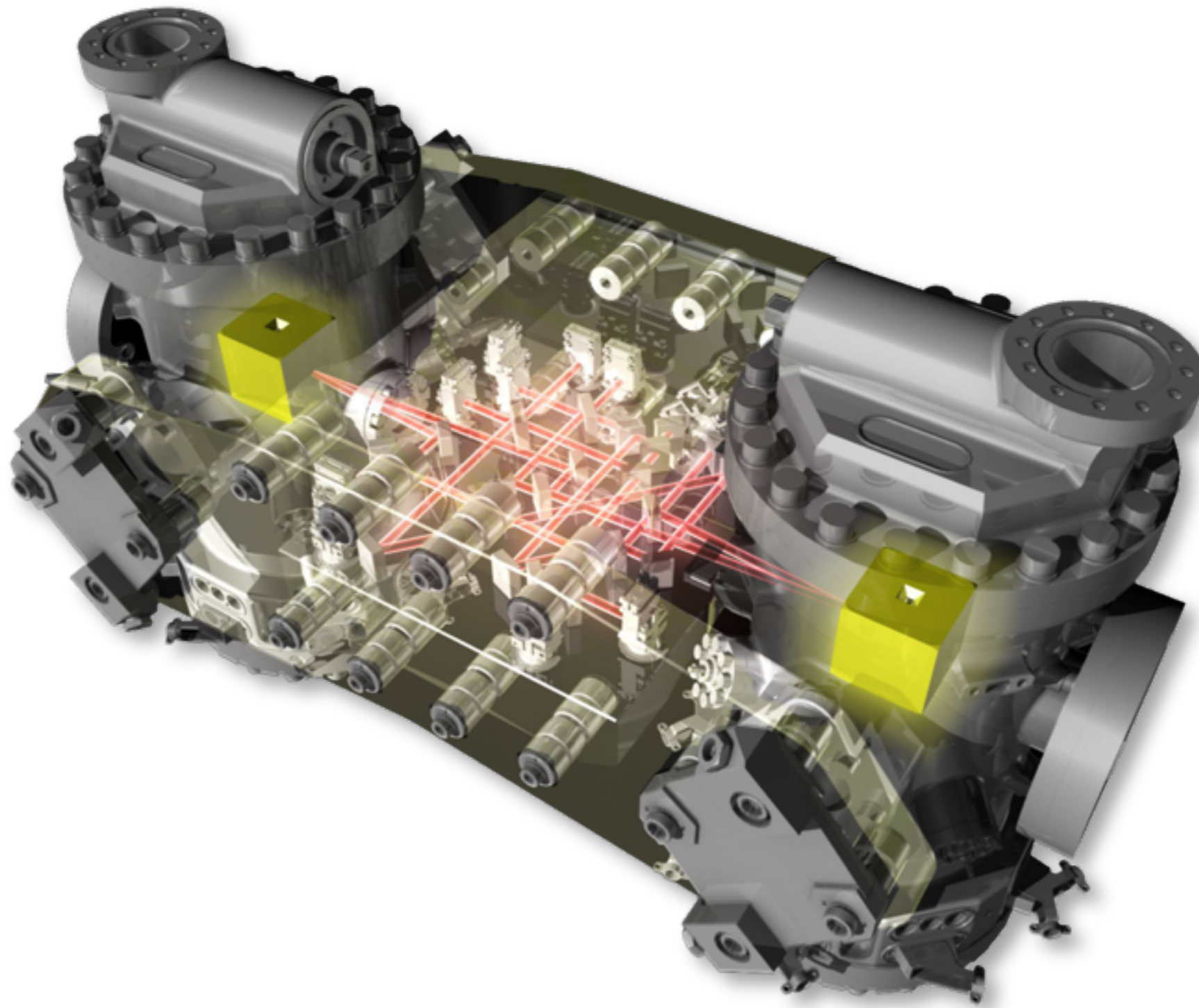




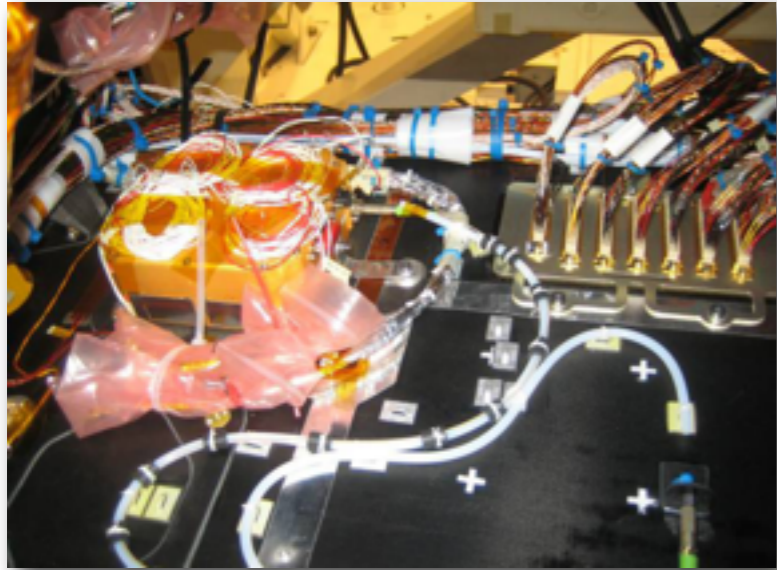


- The LISA Technology Package
 - European payload
 - Full system
 - thrusters, test-masses, inertial sensor, interferometers, etc
- The Disturbance Reduction System
 - NASA payload
 - Alternative thrusters
 - Alternative drag-free control

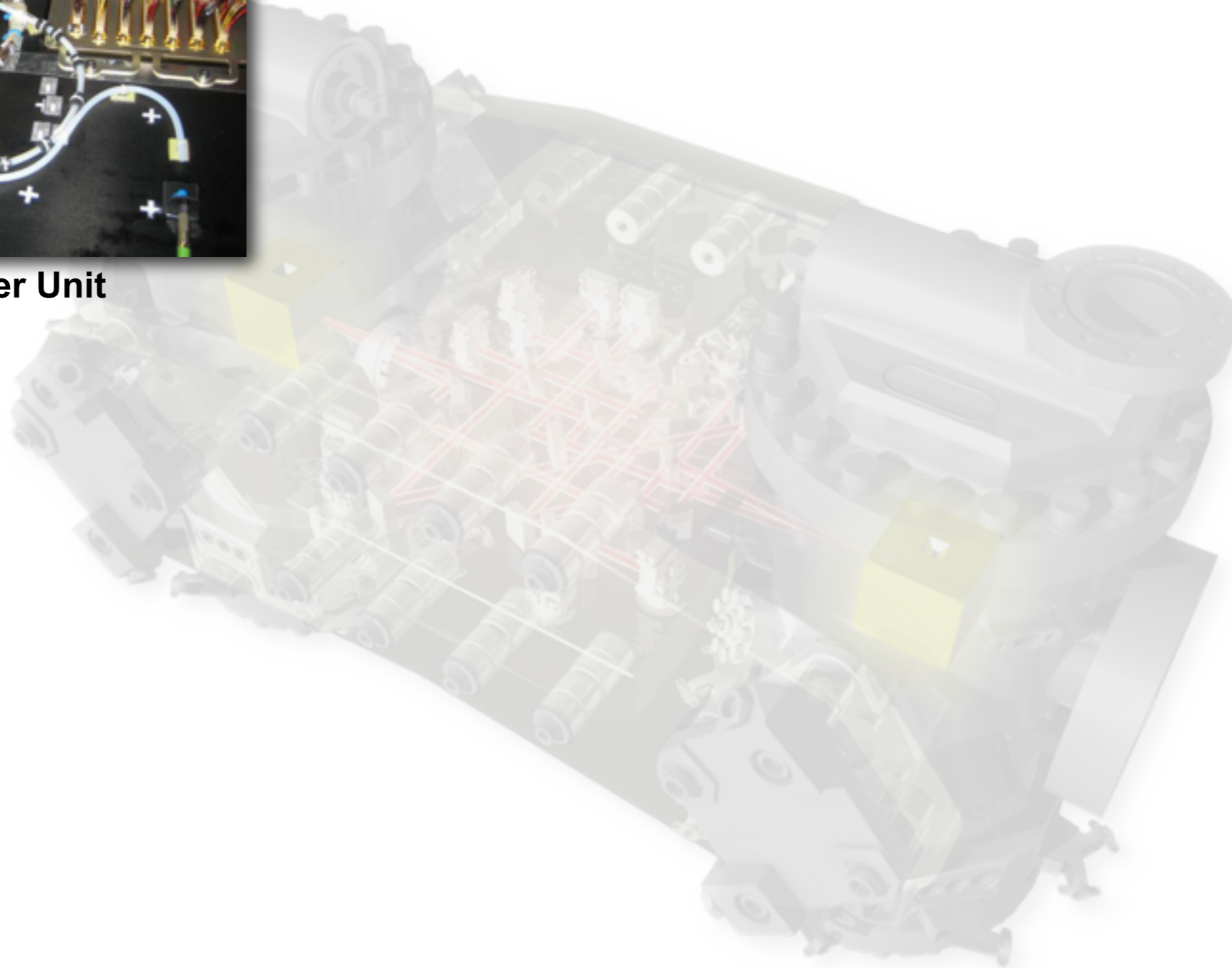
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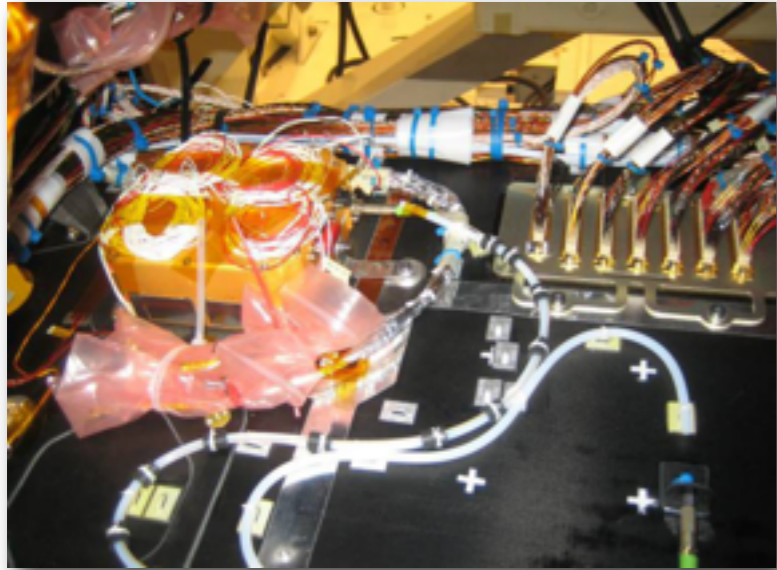
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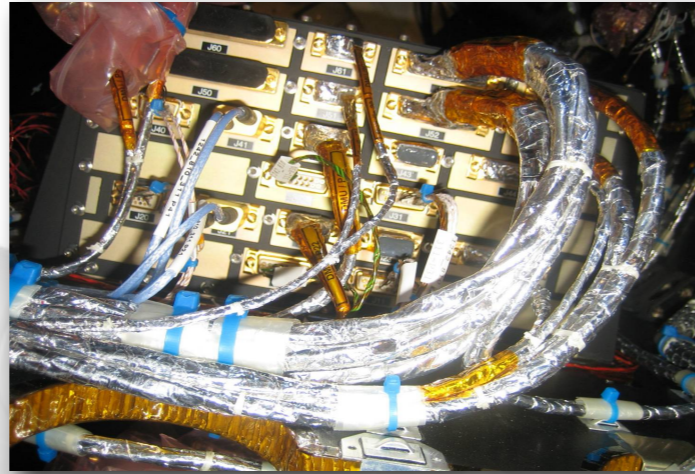
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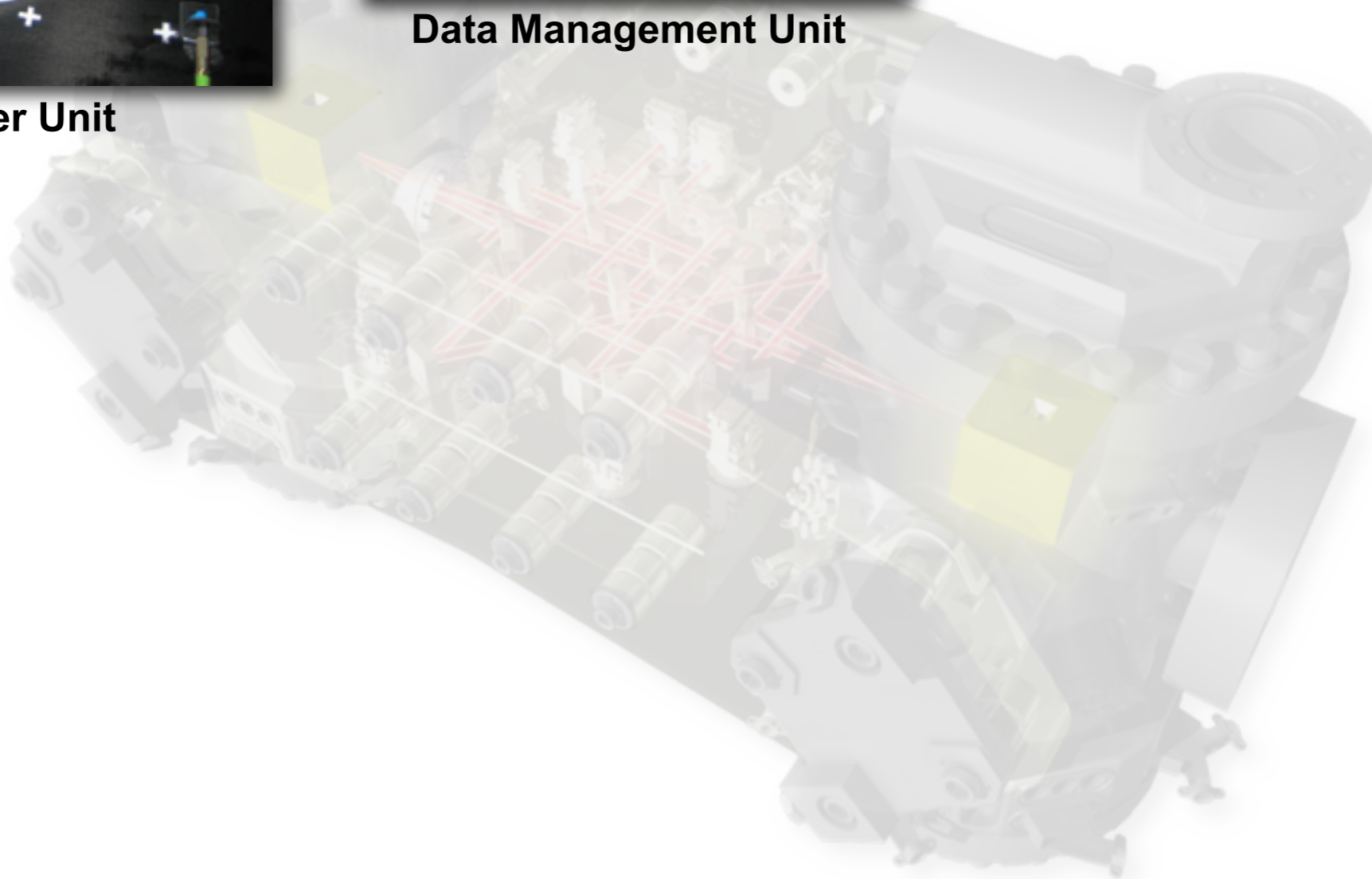
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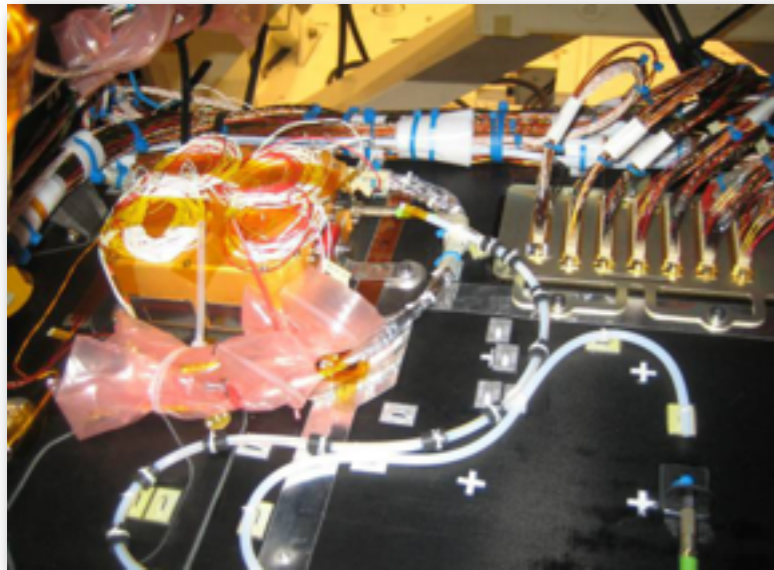
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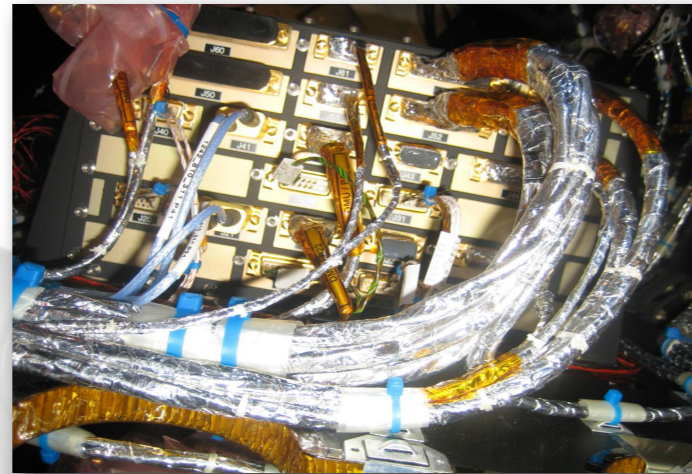
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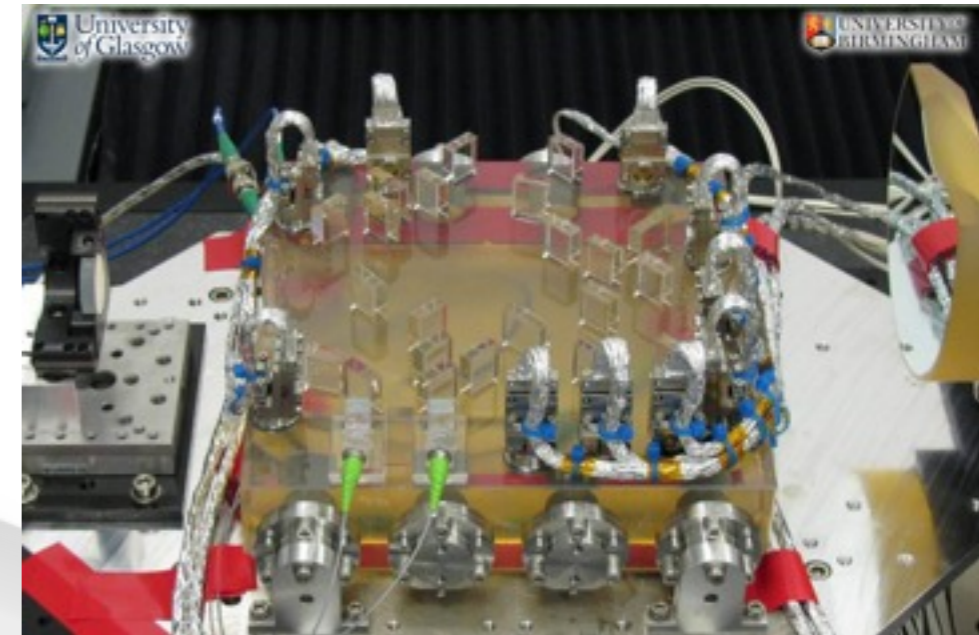
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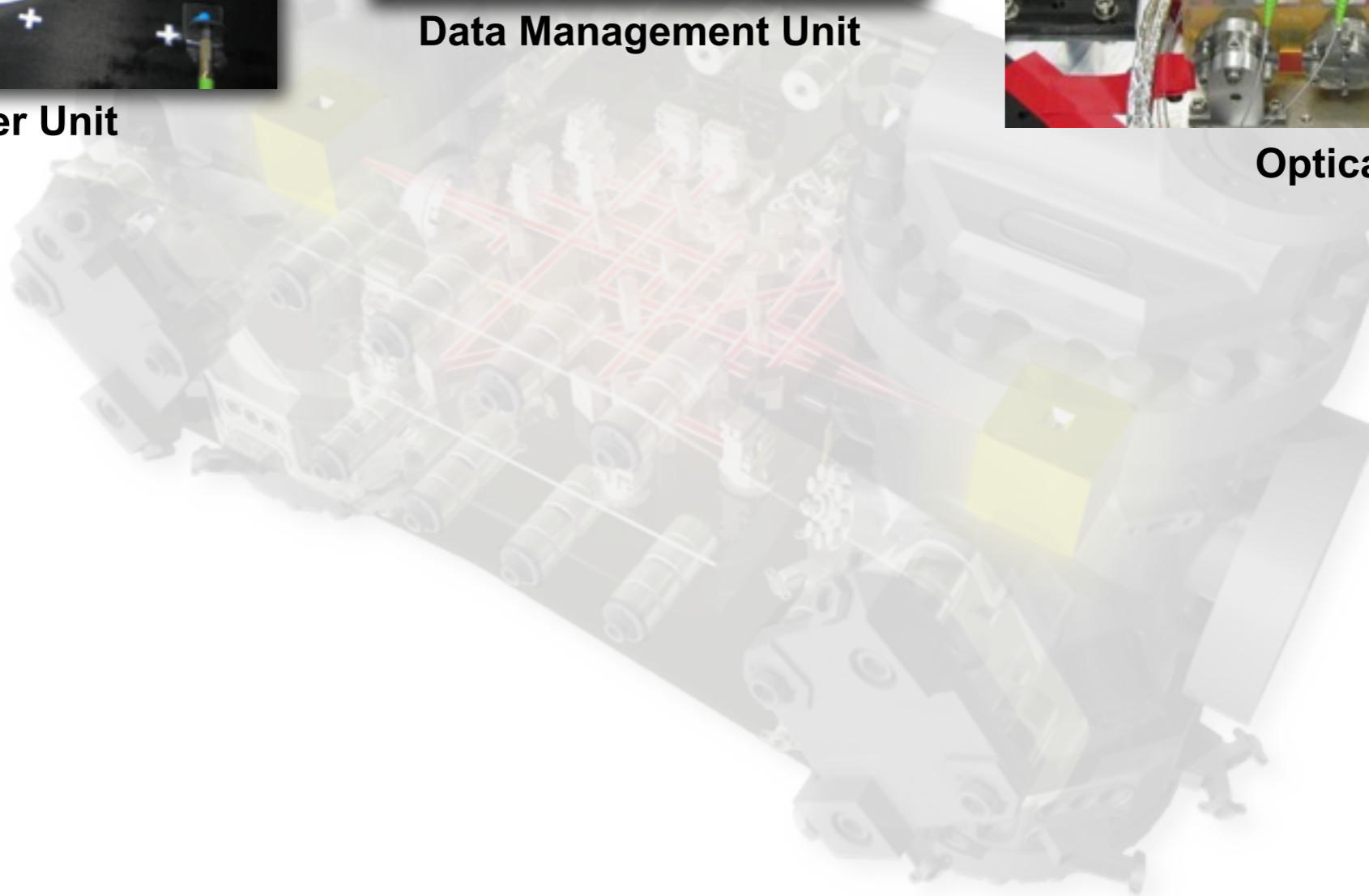
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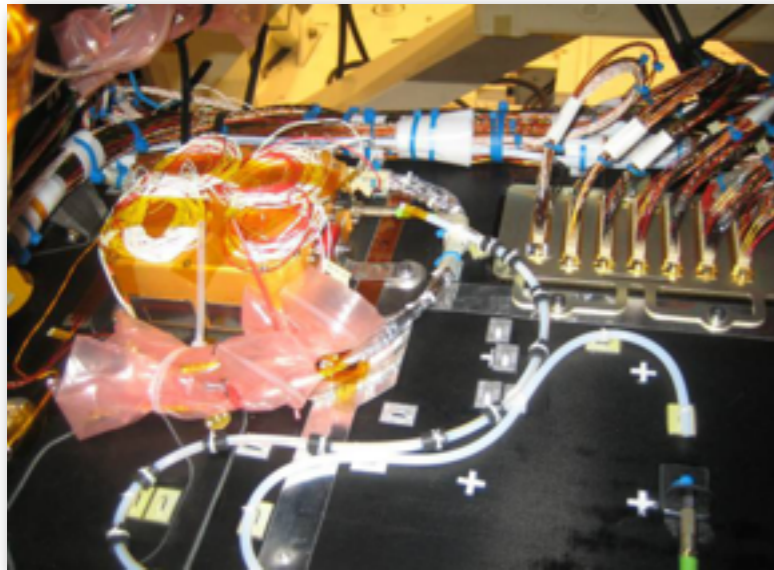
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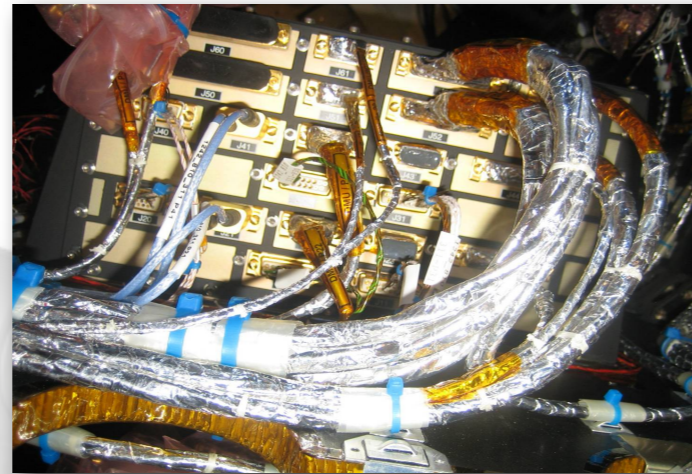
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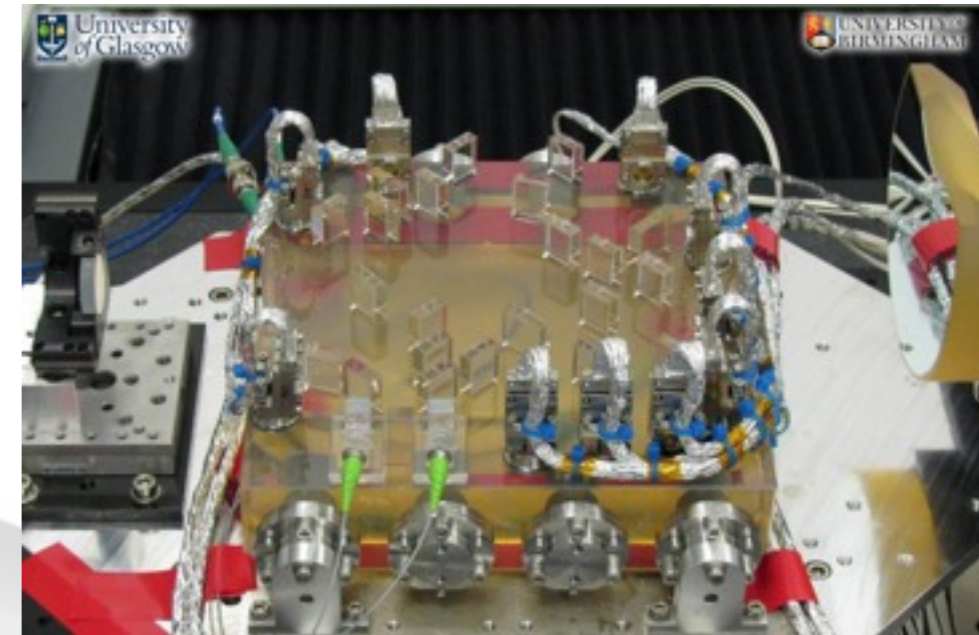
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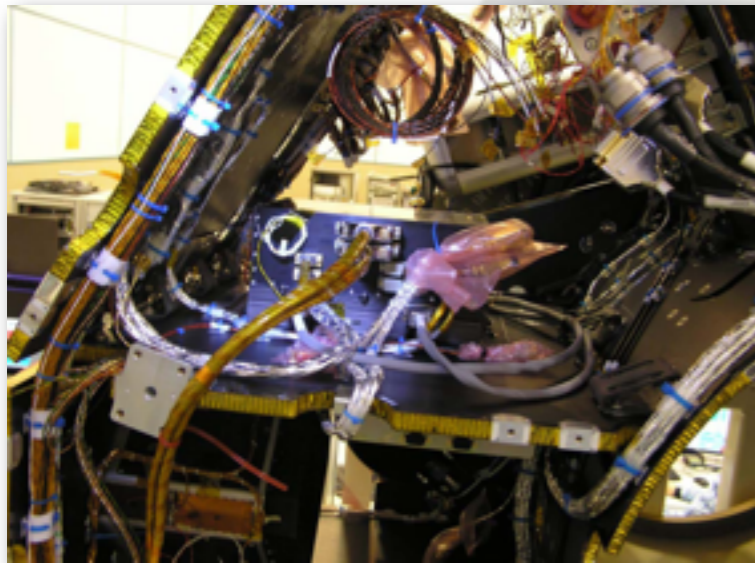
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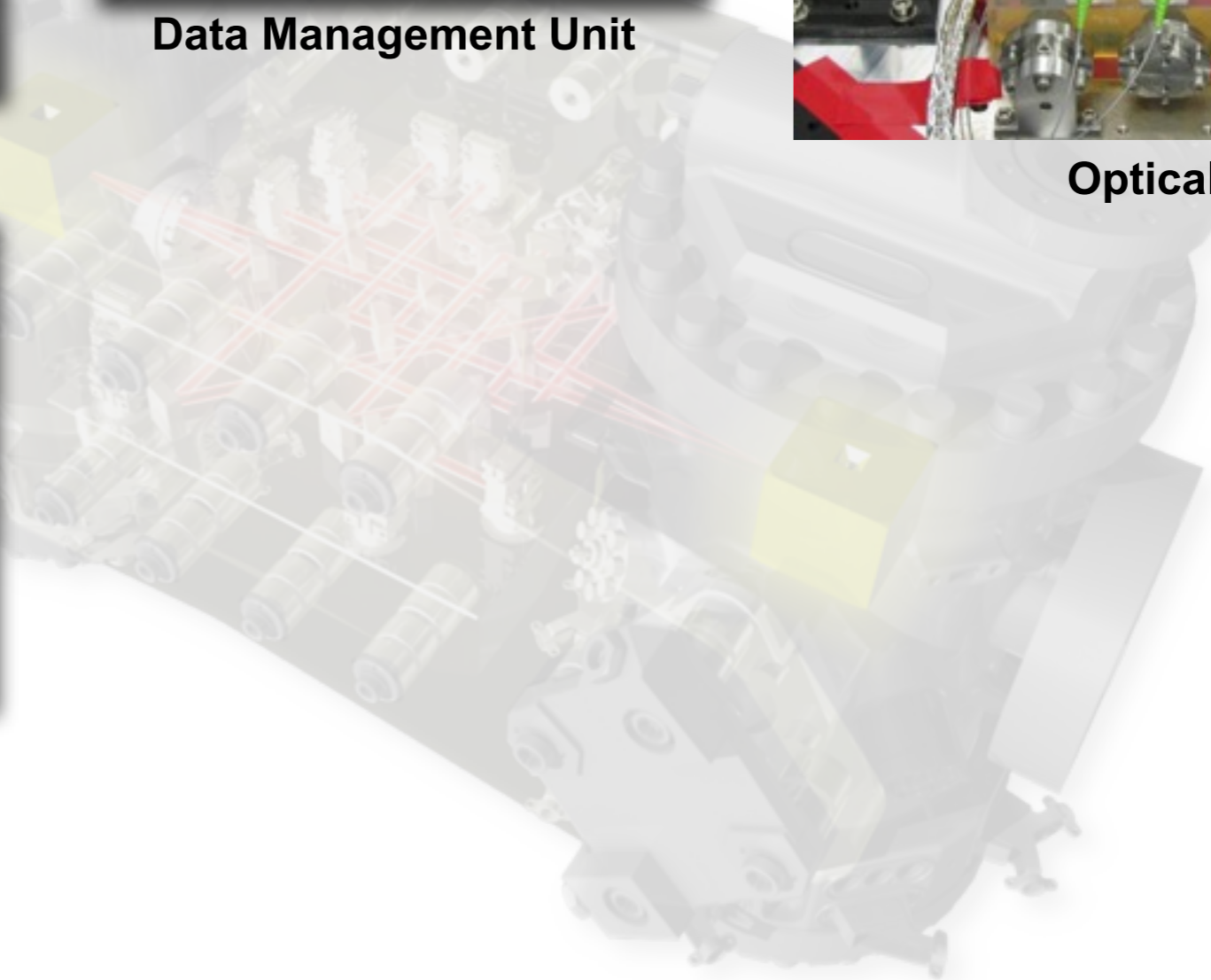
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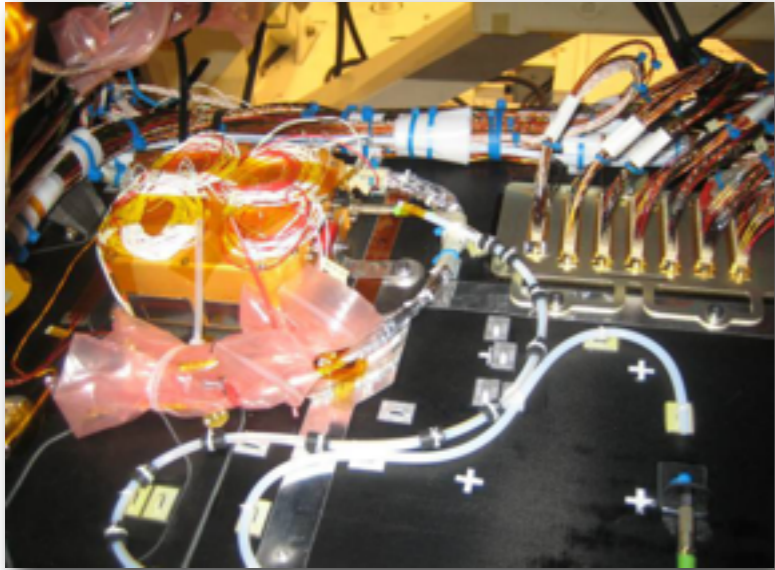
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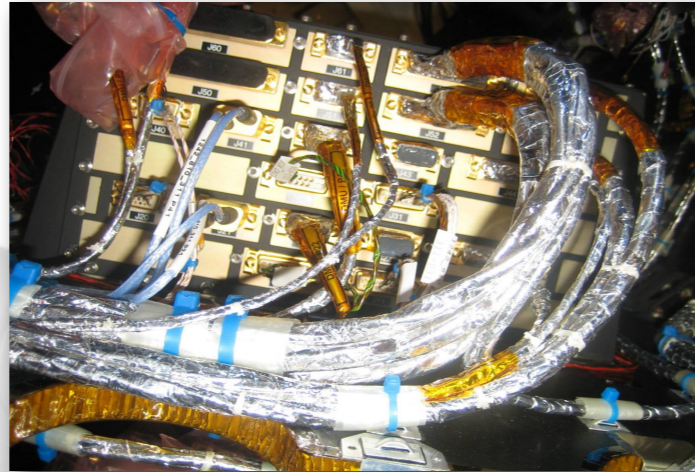
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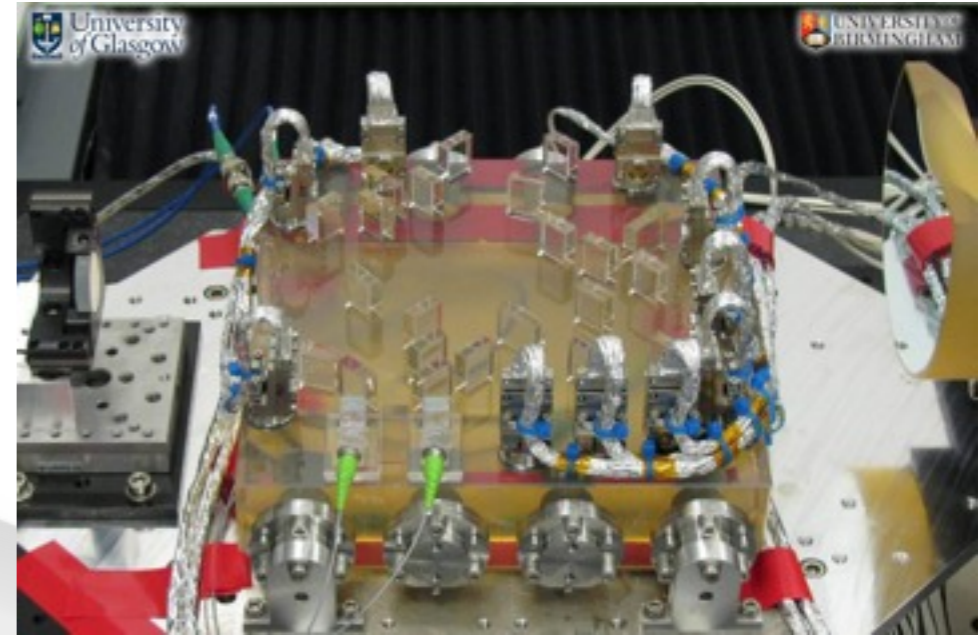
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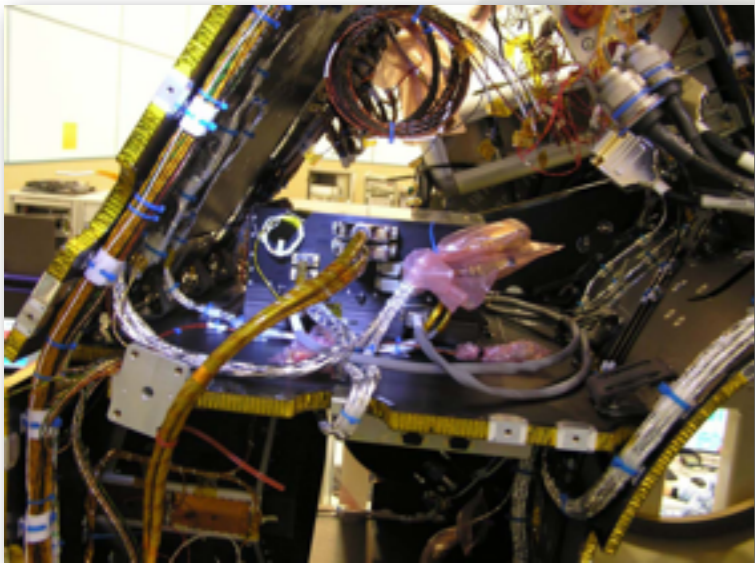
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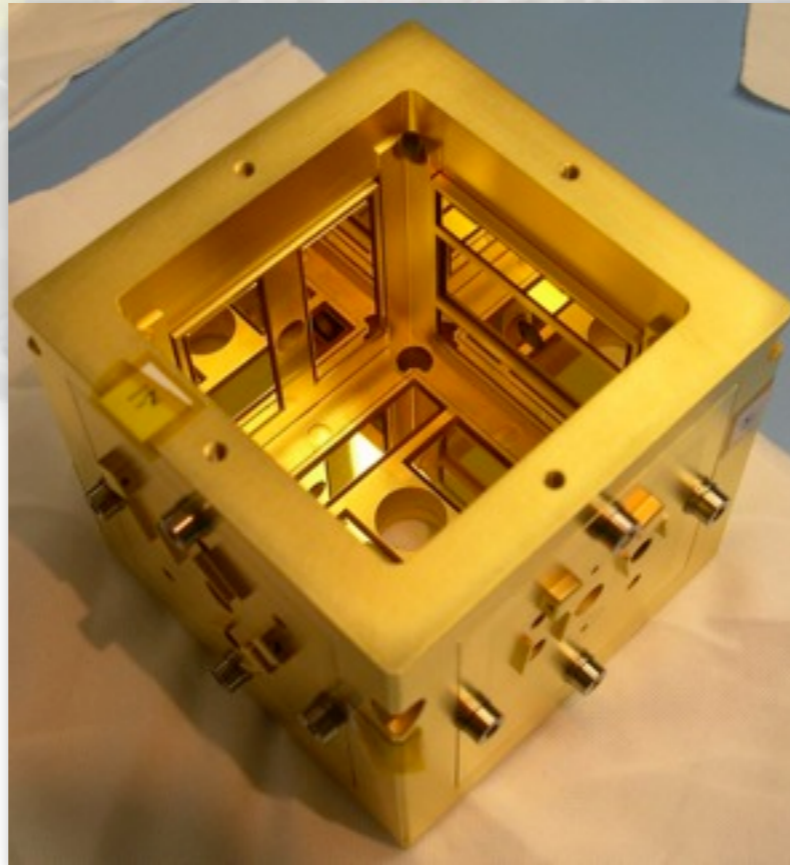
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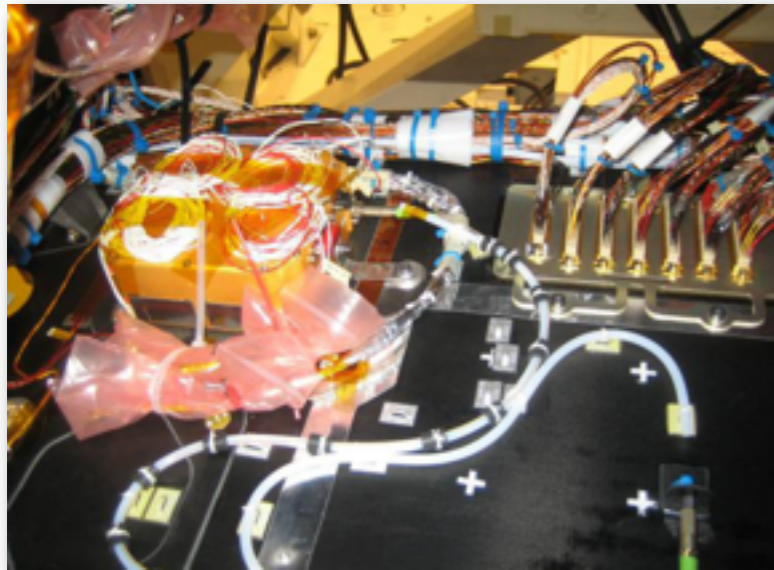


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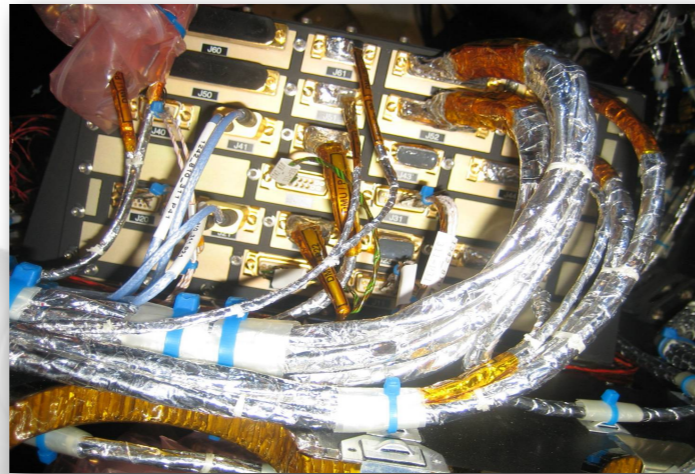


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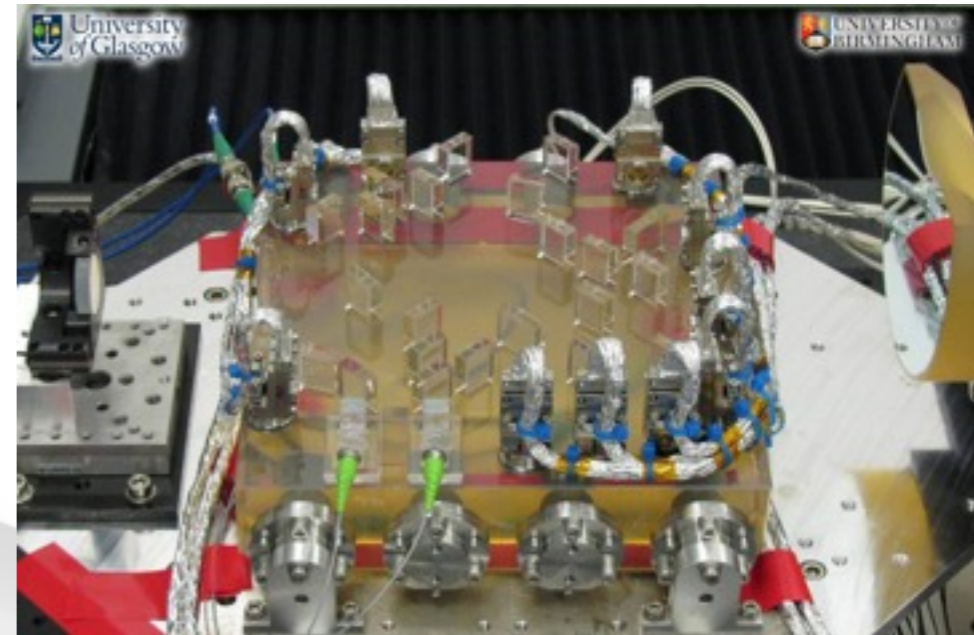
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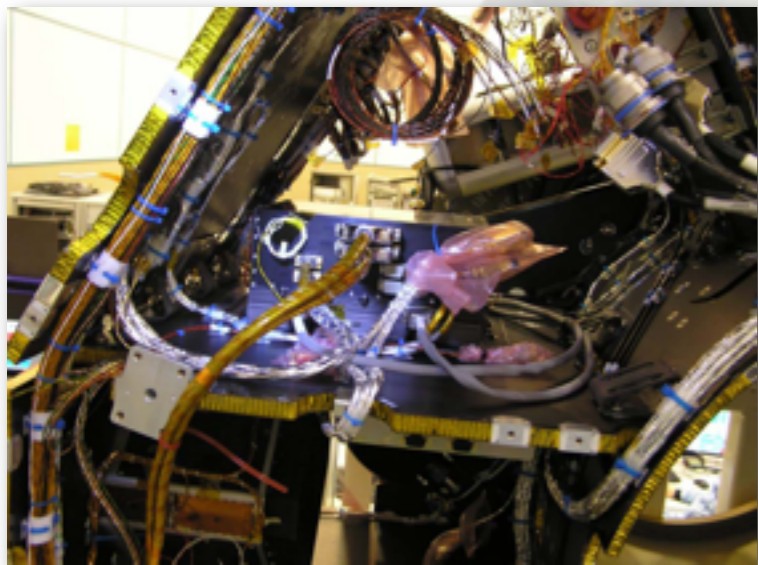
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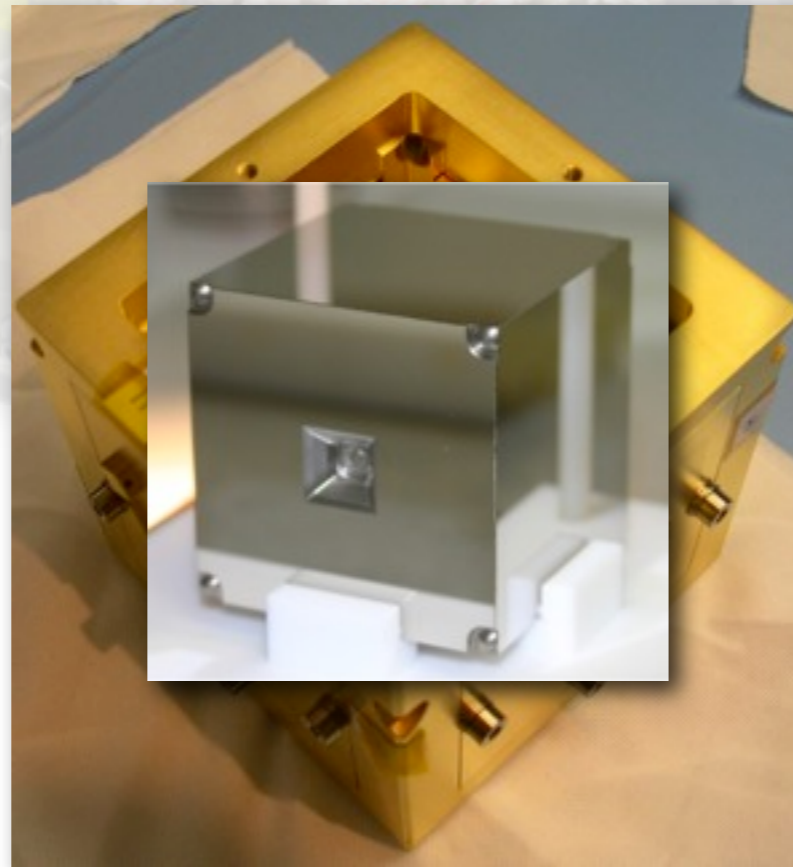
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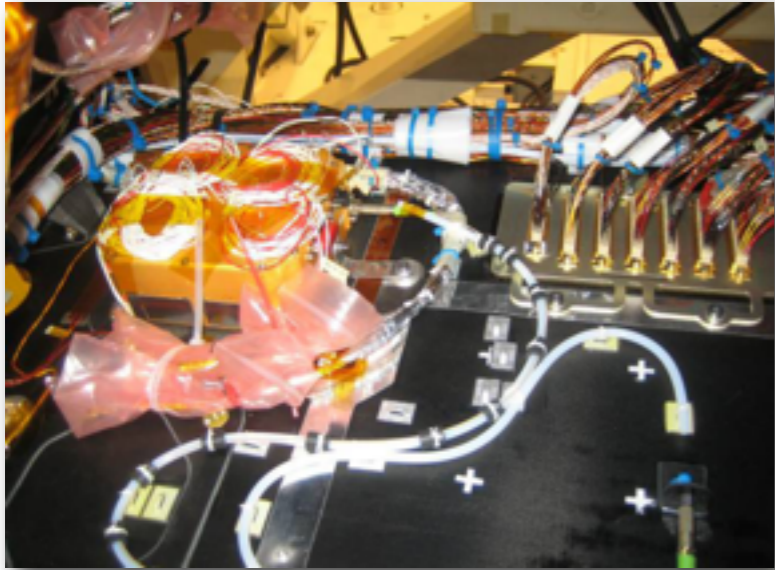


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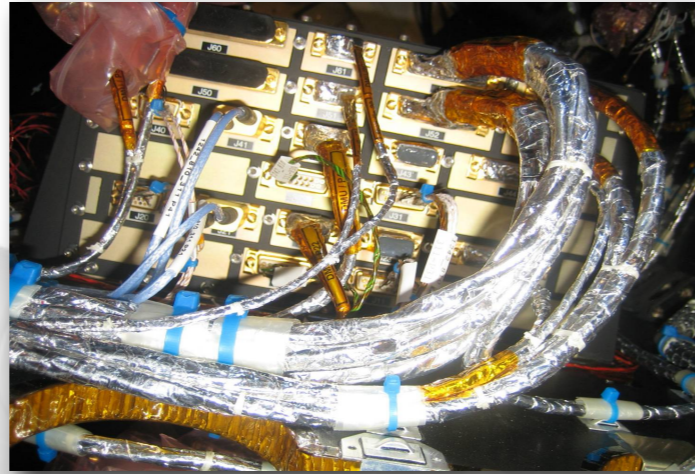


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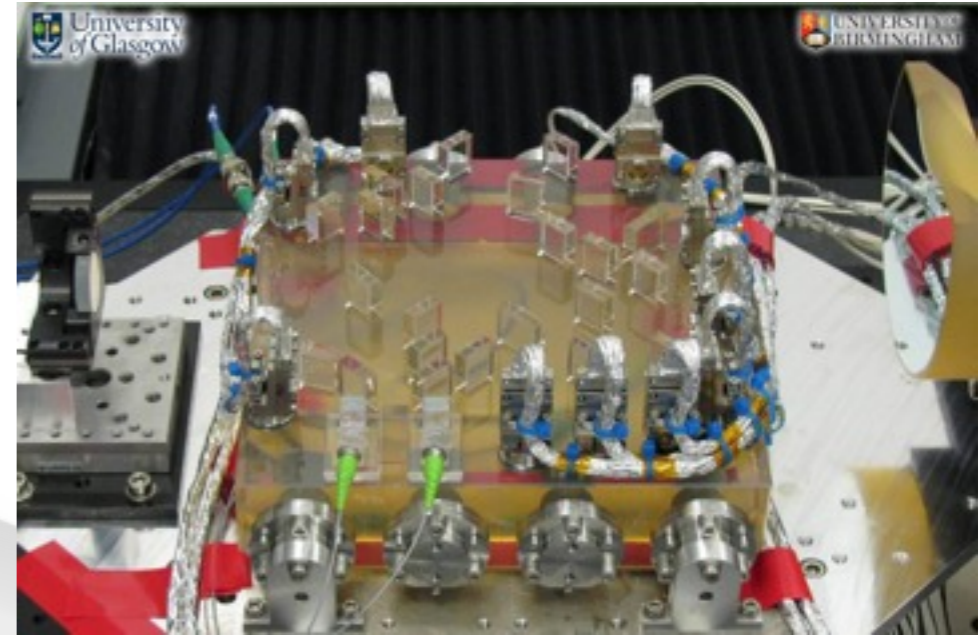
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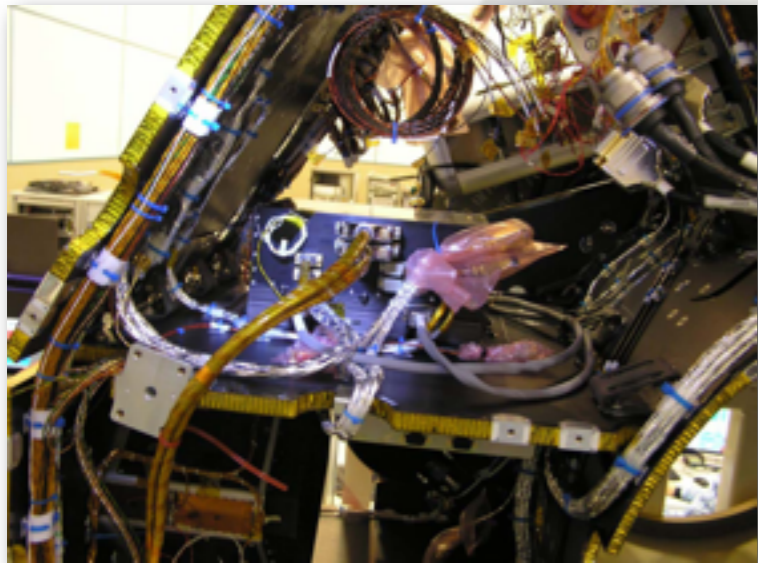
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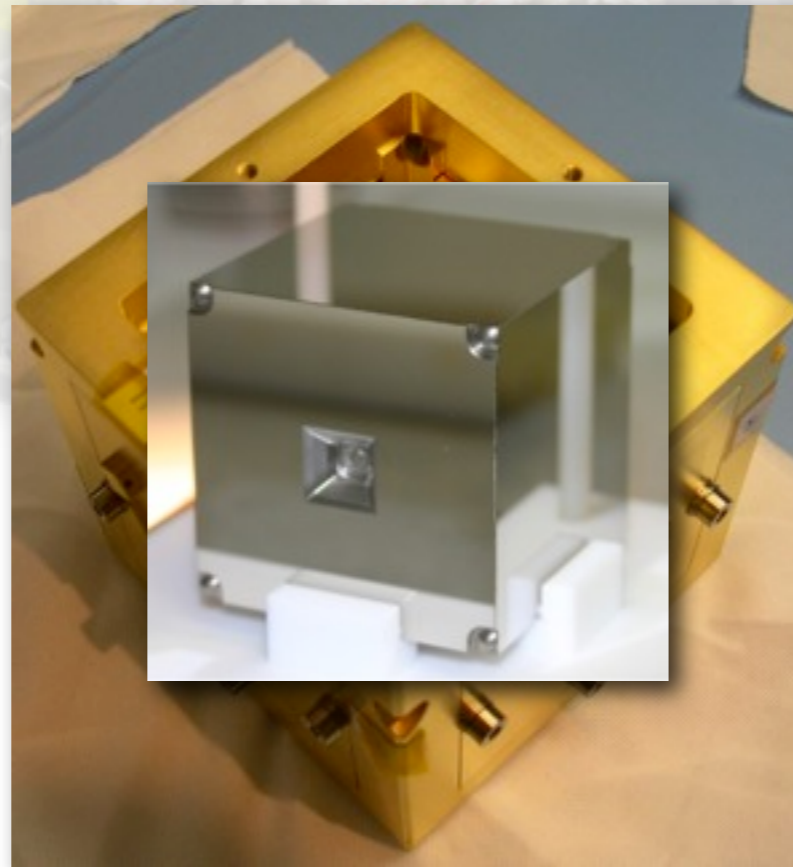
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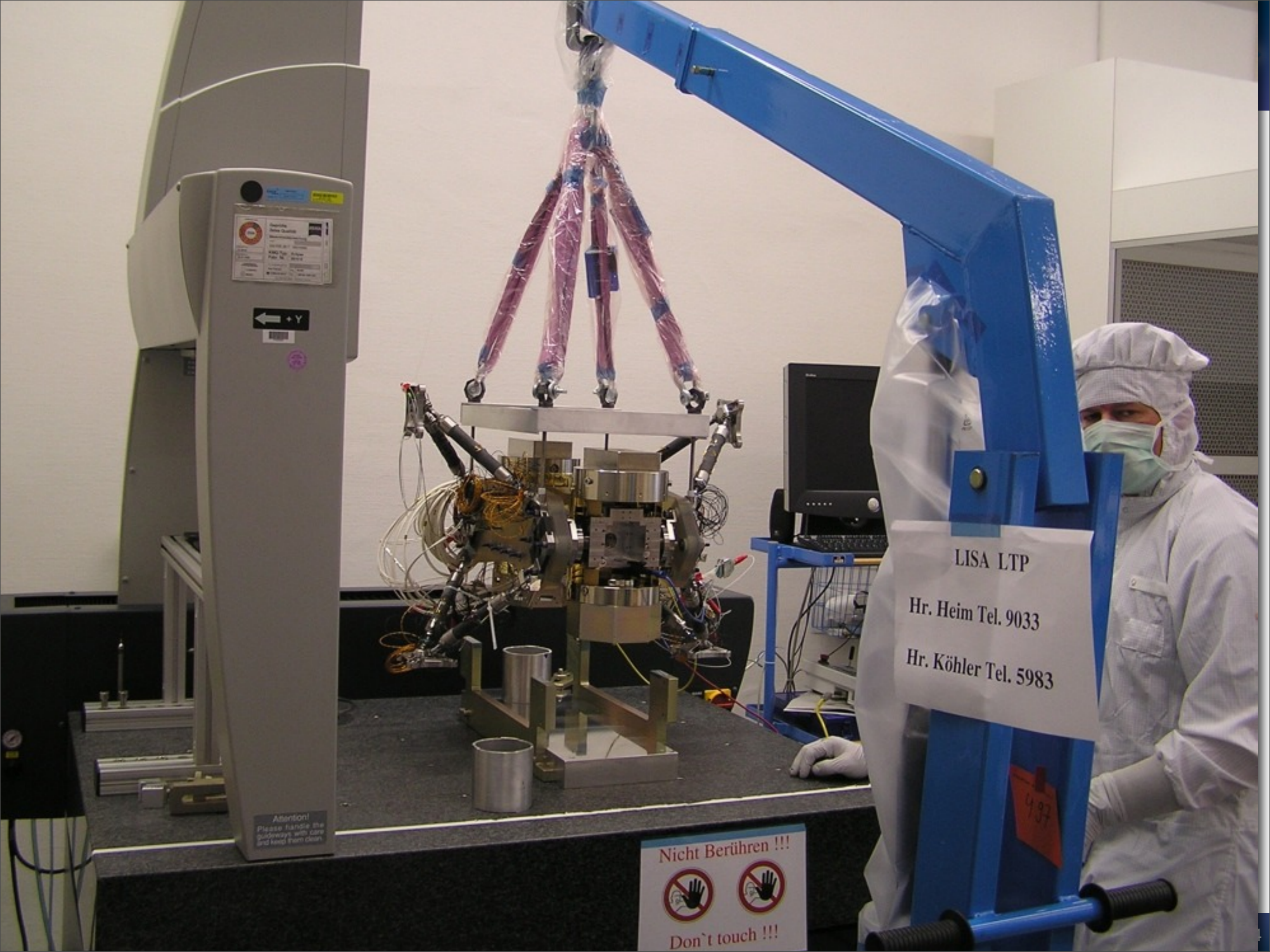
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Vacuum Enclosure



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Please handle the guideways with care and keep them clean.

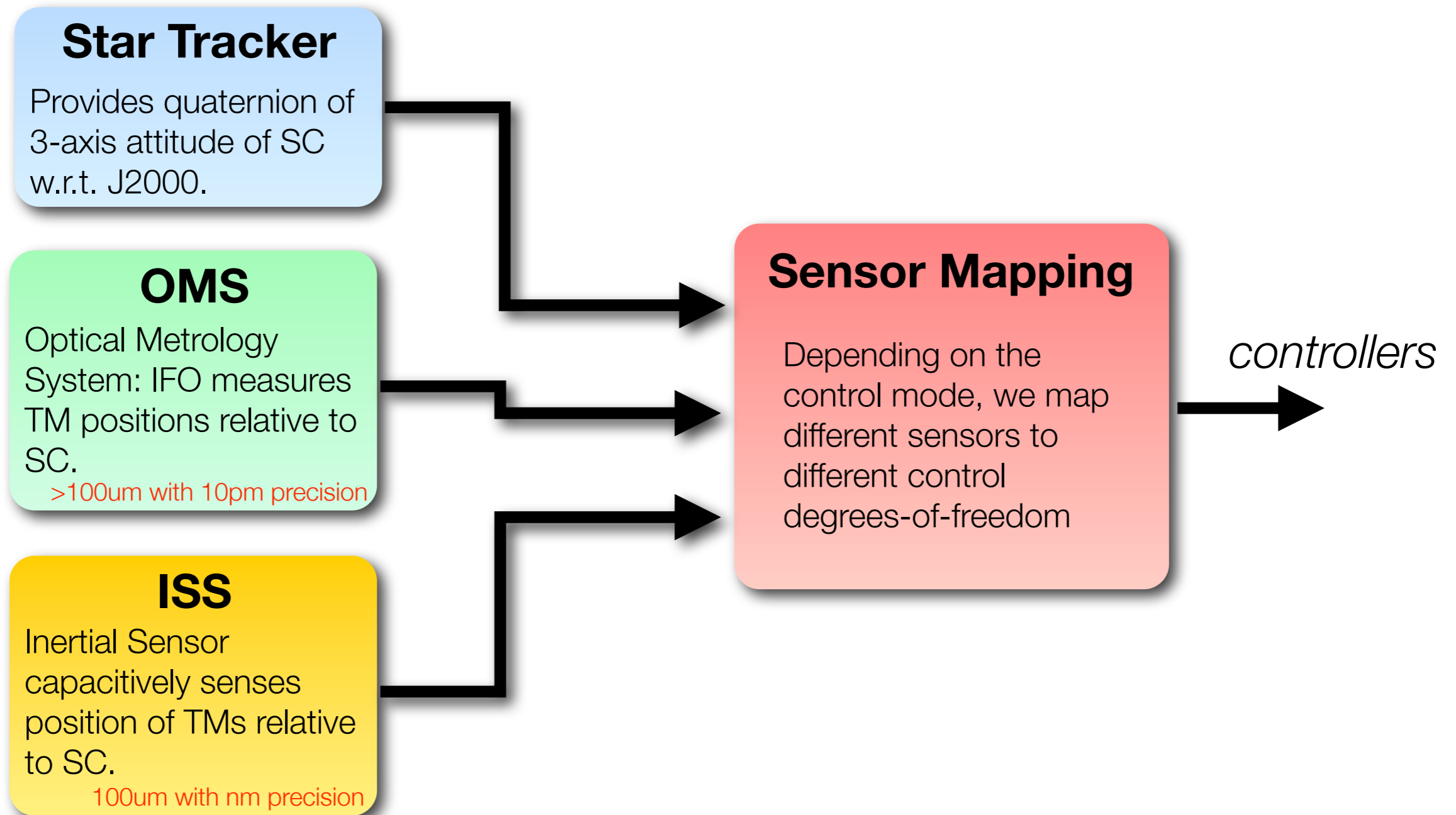
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Don't touch !!!

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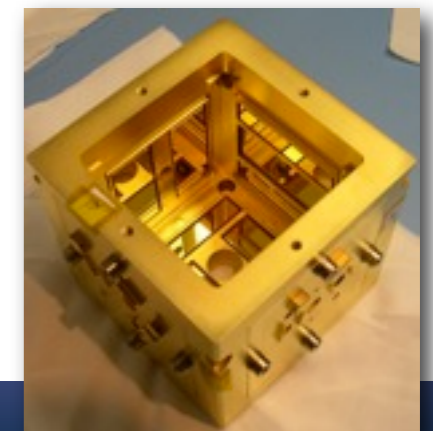
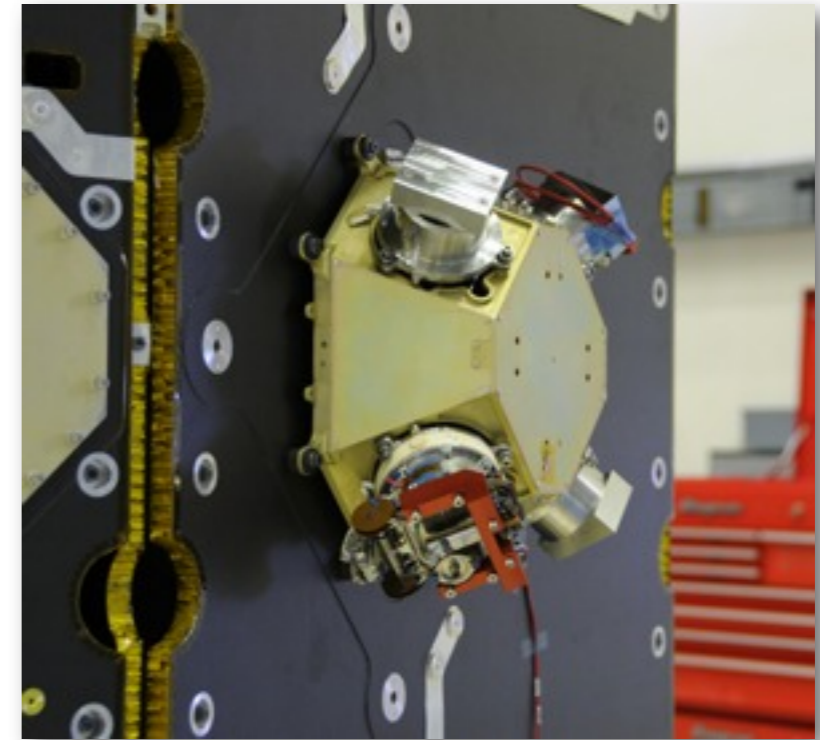
- Micro-propulsion system
 - problems with FEEPs in the past
 - may now be solved
 - ESA currently looking at alternative systems
- Caging mechanism
 - Construction of original launch-lock proved challenging
 - ESA investigating alternatives



Actuation



- Micro-propulsion (FEEPs)
 - 6 d.o.f. of SC
 - 100 μ N thrust with μ N accuracy
- Inertial Sensor
 - capacitive actuation
 - 6 d.o.f. per test-mass
 - wide-range: μ N force with pN accuracy
 - high res.: nN force with fN accuracy



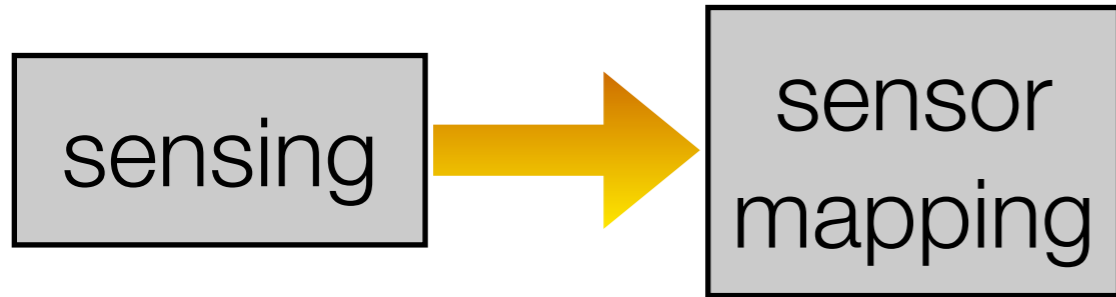
FEEP == Field Emission Electric Propulsion

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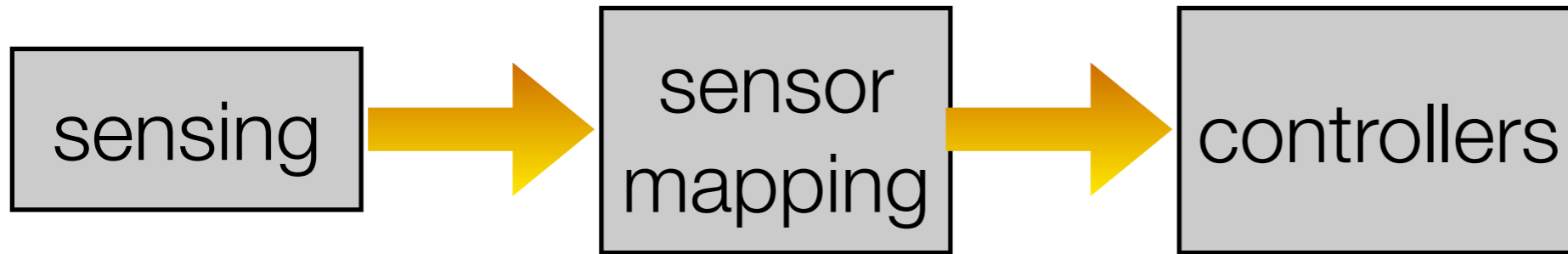


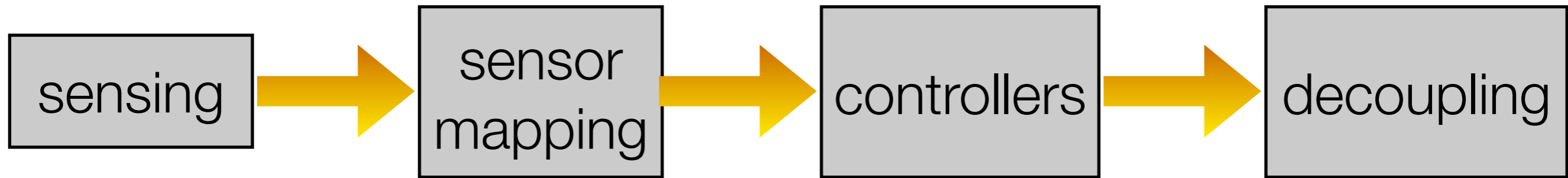
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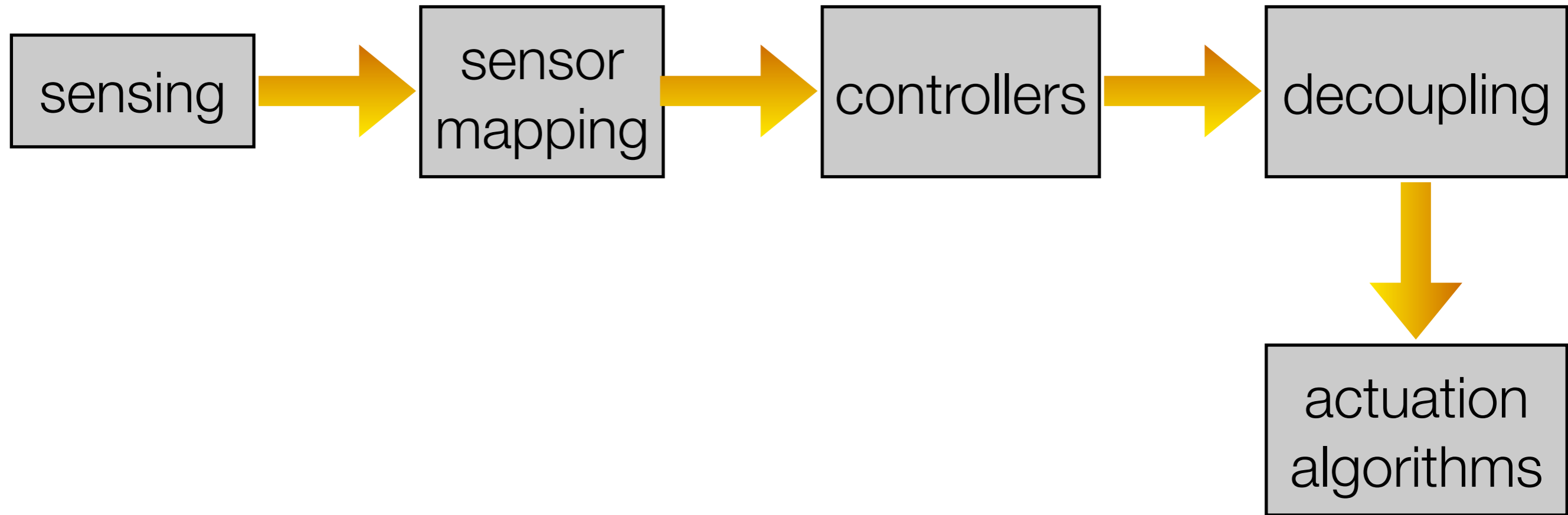
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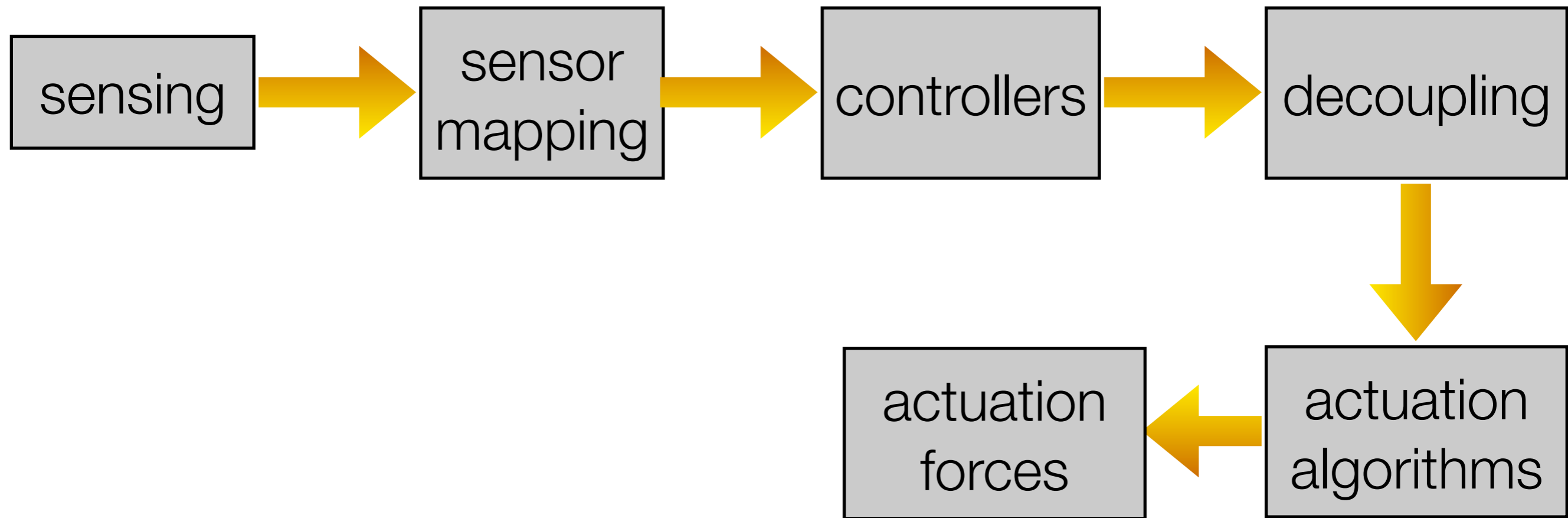


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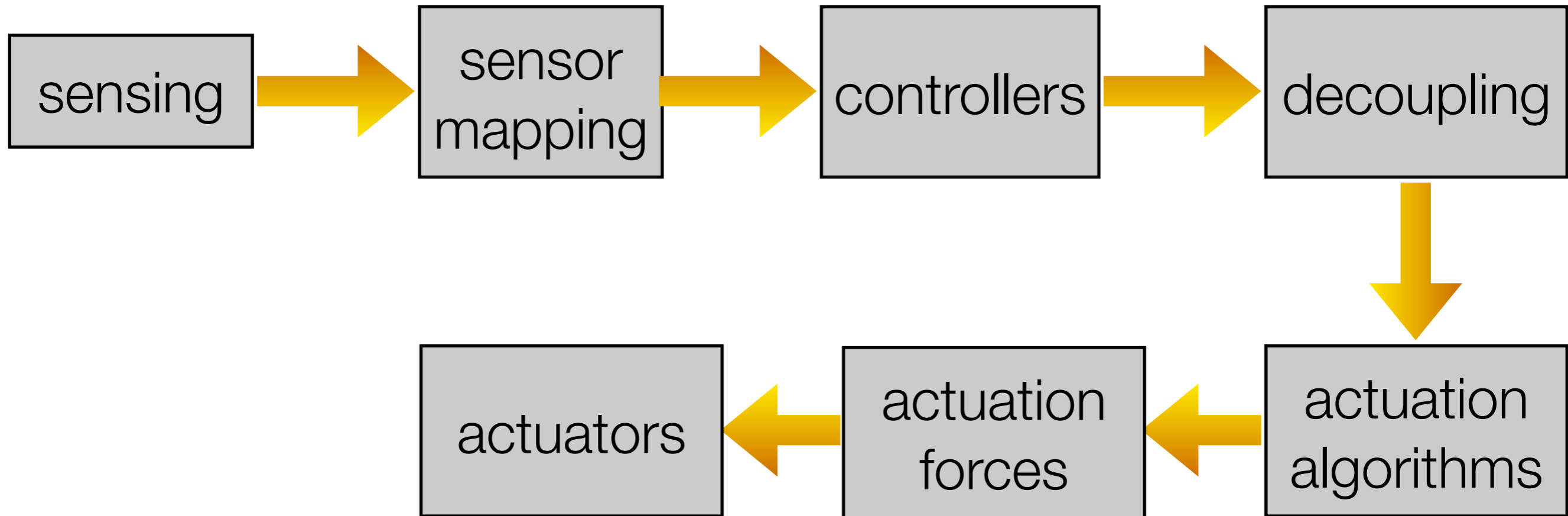




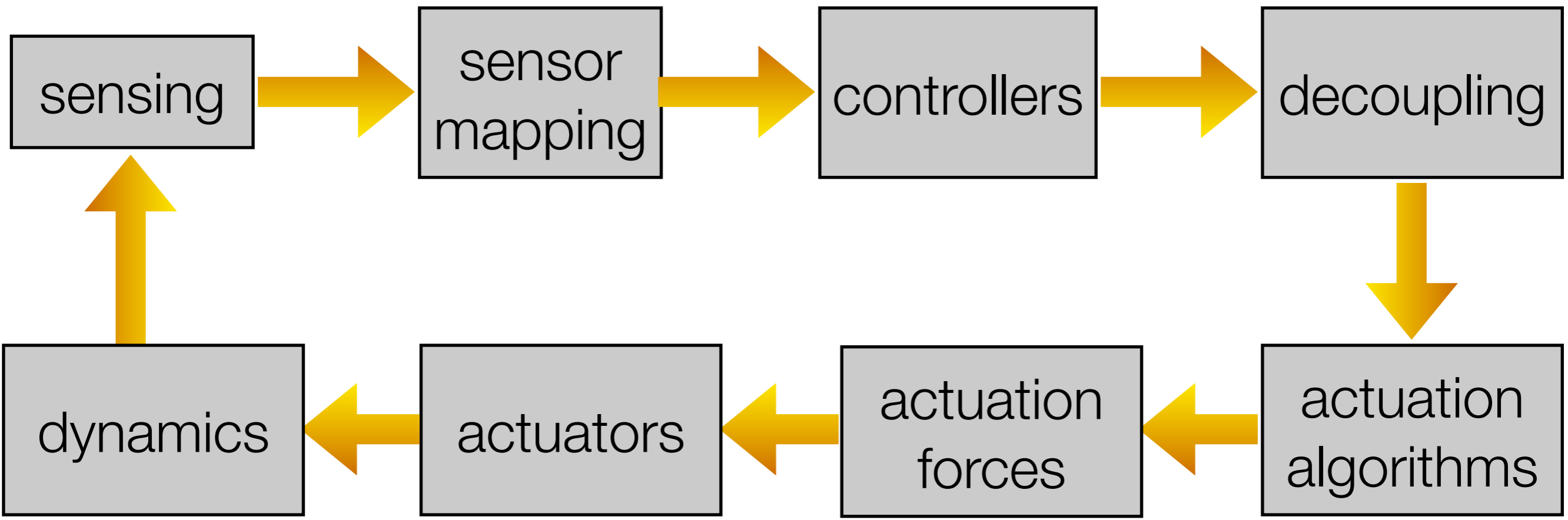




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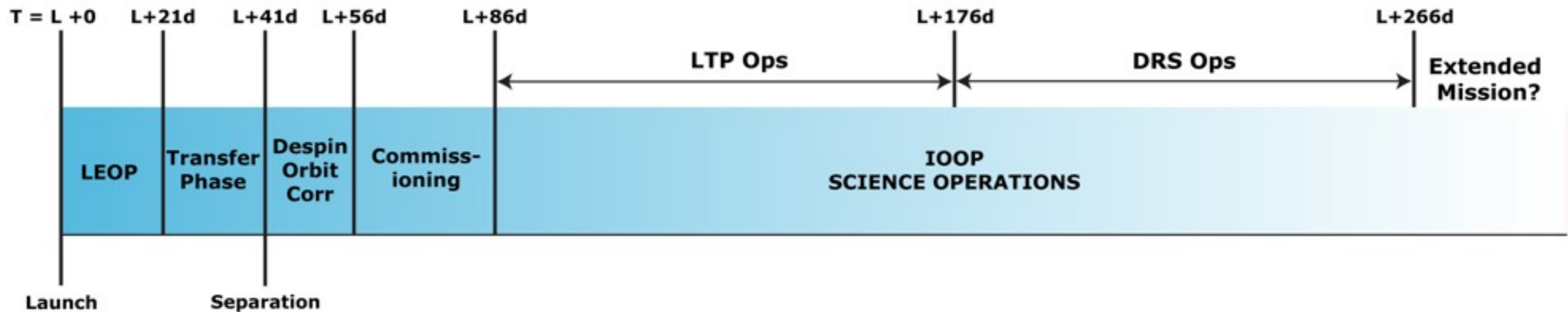


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- Develop a noise model of the system
 - allows the projection of the performance of technologies to LISA

Mission Operations



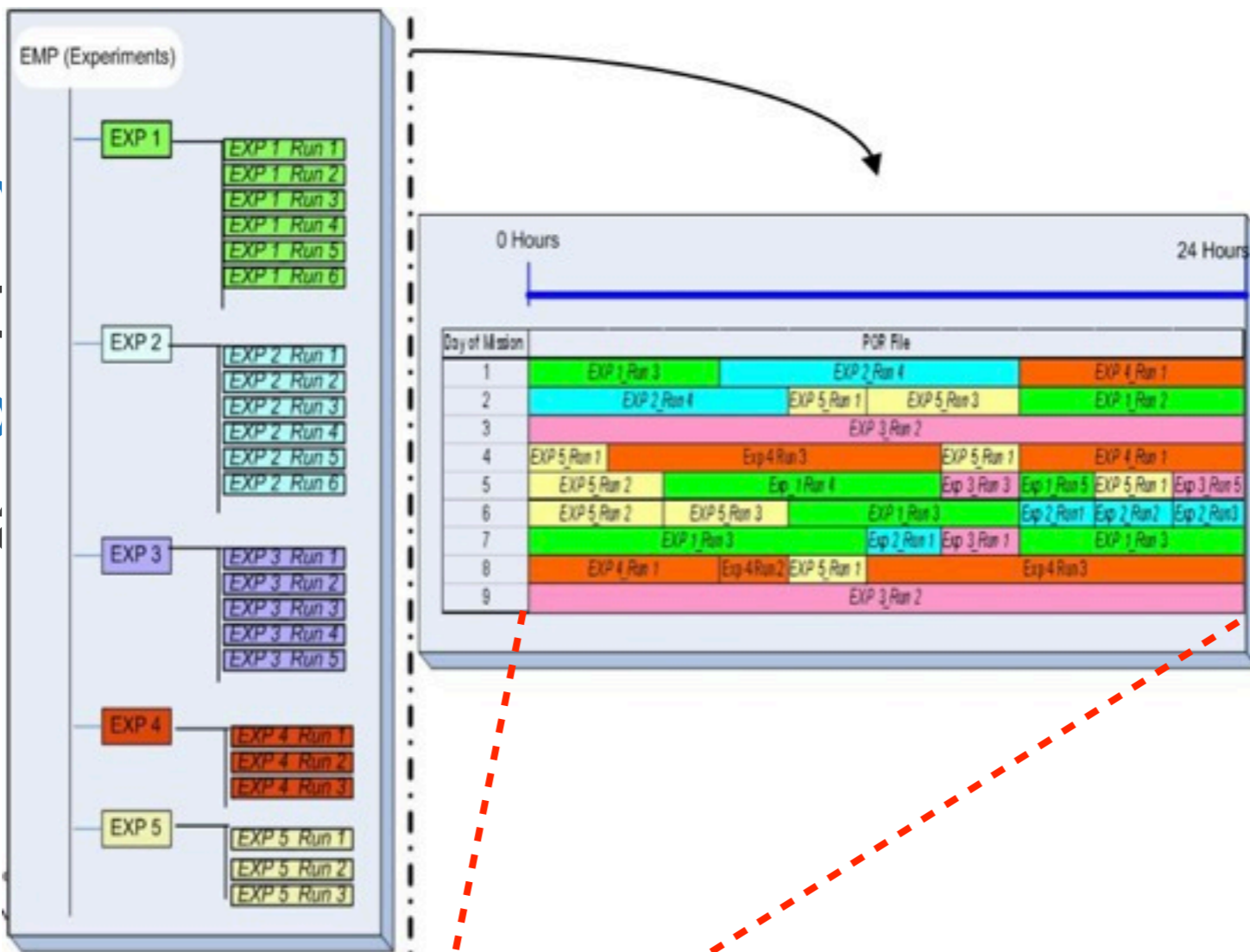
- We have 90 days to achieve the goals
 - characterise and optimise the system
- All days are filled with pre-planned experiments
 - some flexibility is built-in
- Data analysis of the experiments will be done in real-time



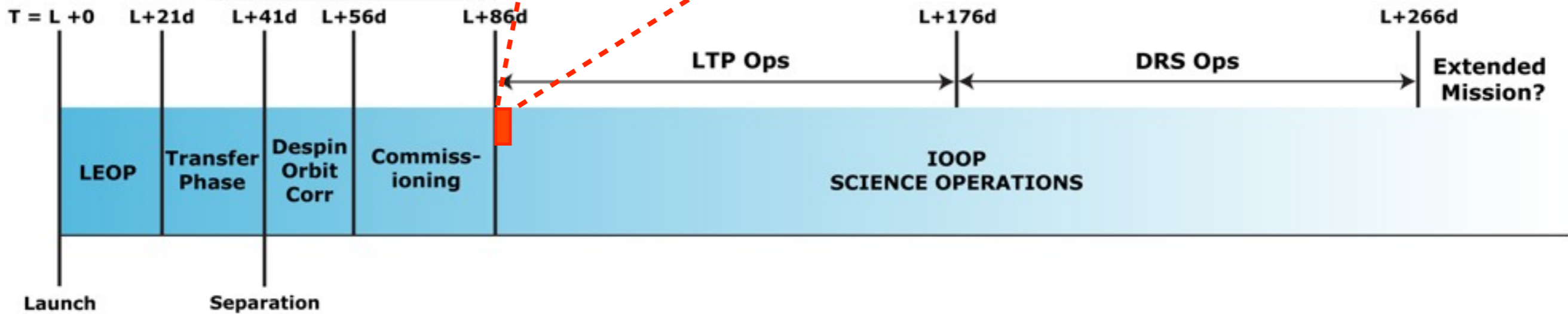
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Experiments



- Technical studies are broken down in to investigations
- These investigations are then packed in to the time-line

Measurement of Parasitic Voltages
Measurement of differential acceleration noise on LISA Pathfinder
Measurement of cross-talk between the y-axis and the x-axis on the LTP
Measurement of LTP dynamical coefficients by system identification
Analysis of Data from the Radiation Monitor on LISA Pathfinder
Thermal experiments on board the LTP
Magnetic experiments on board the LTP
OPD noise investigations for LTP
Laser frequency noise characterisation for LTP
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The Drift Mode for LISA Pathfinder

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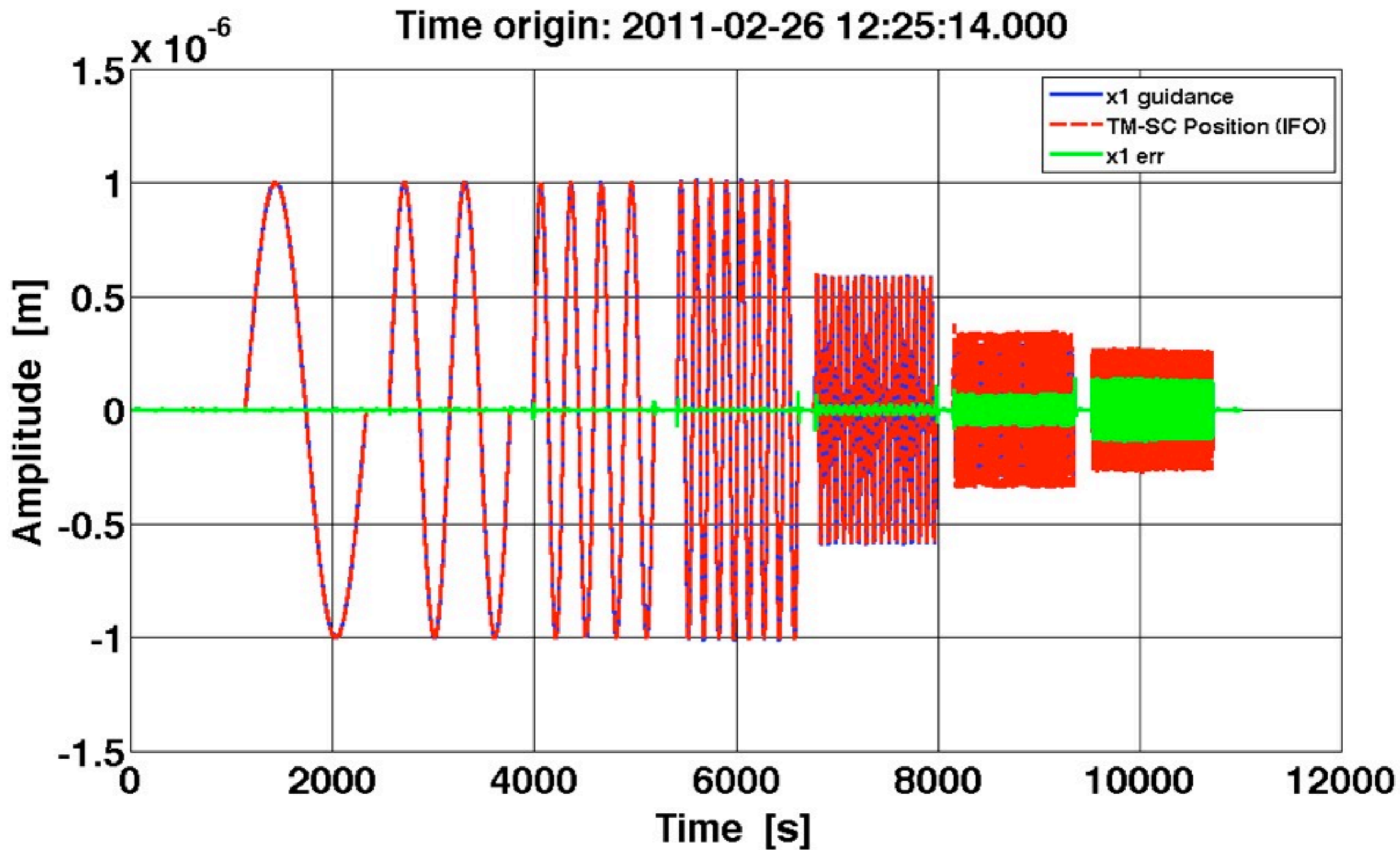
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- Example: x -axis system identification
 - injecting signals in x -axis control loops we can measure:
 - stiffness of the two test-masses, actuator gains, IFO X-talk, loop delays

Guidance signals on drag-free



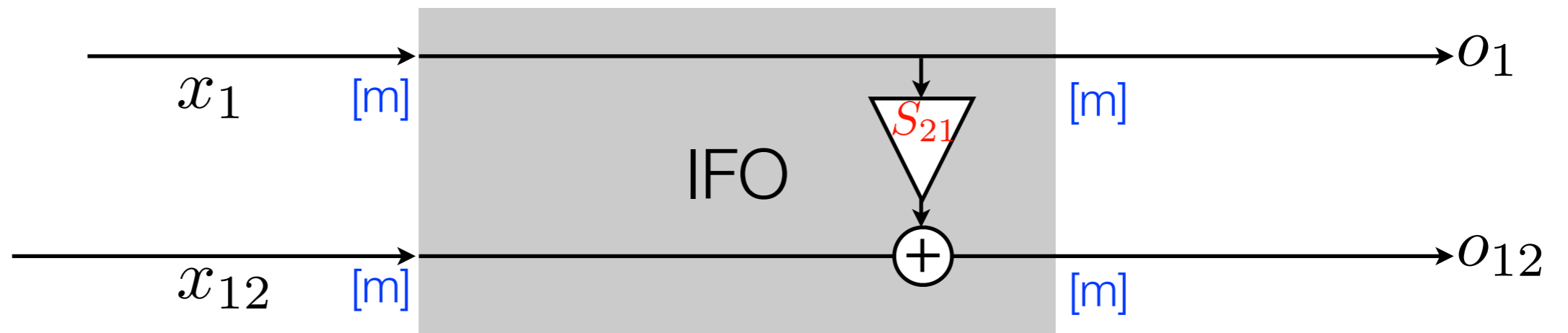


- We have explored three methods:
 - linear least squares
 - non-linear least squares
 - Markov Chain Monte Carlo
- All methods work with multiple inputs, multiple outputs
- All methods require a parametric model of the system

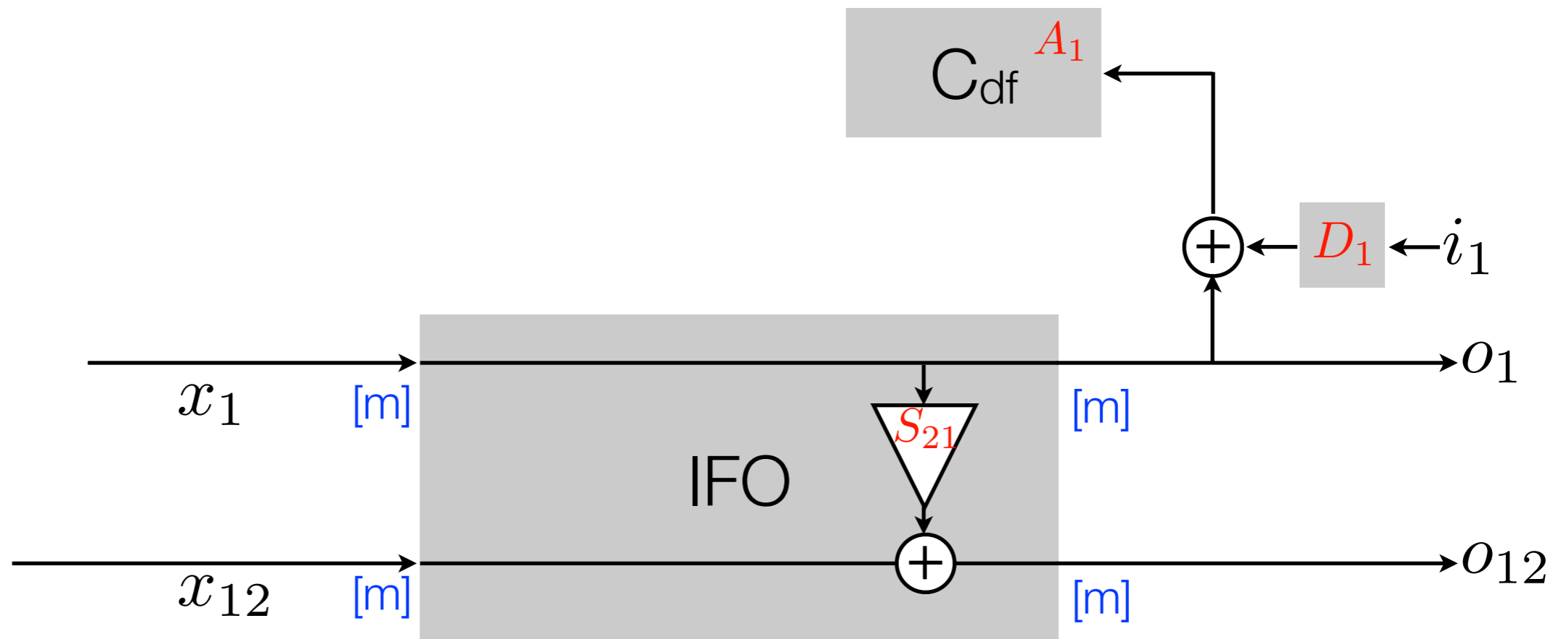
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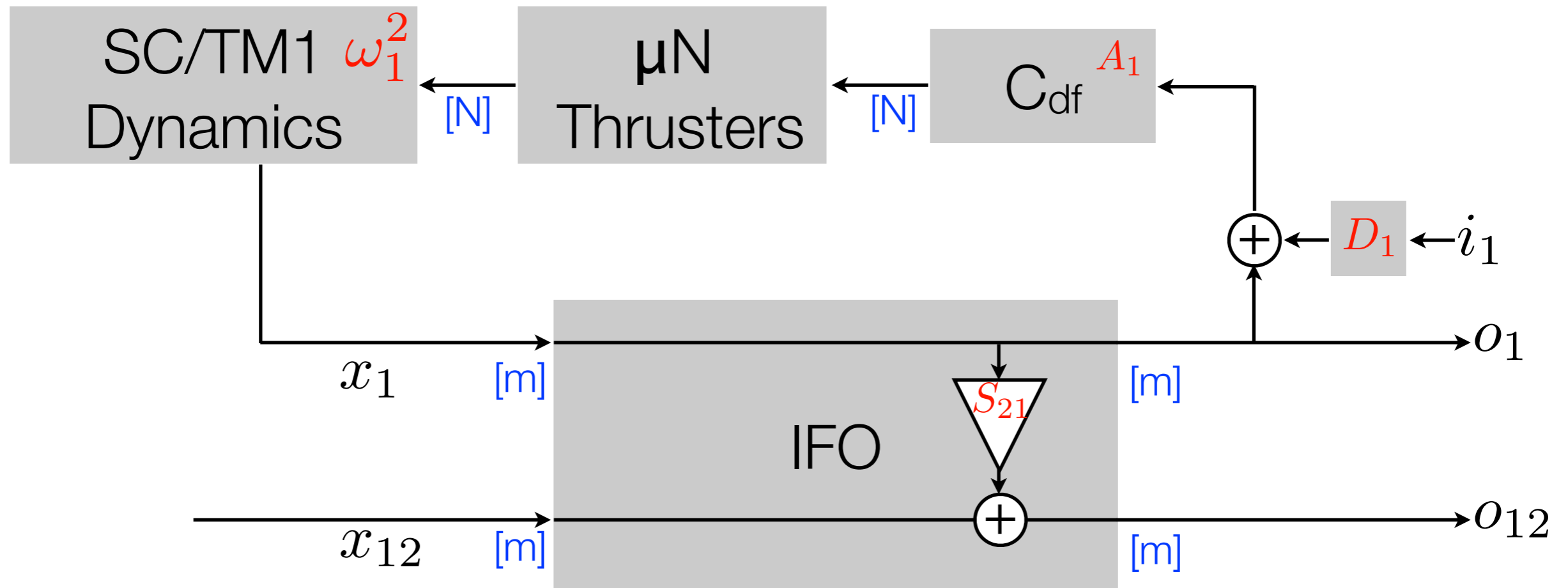
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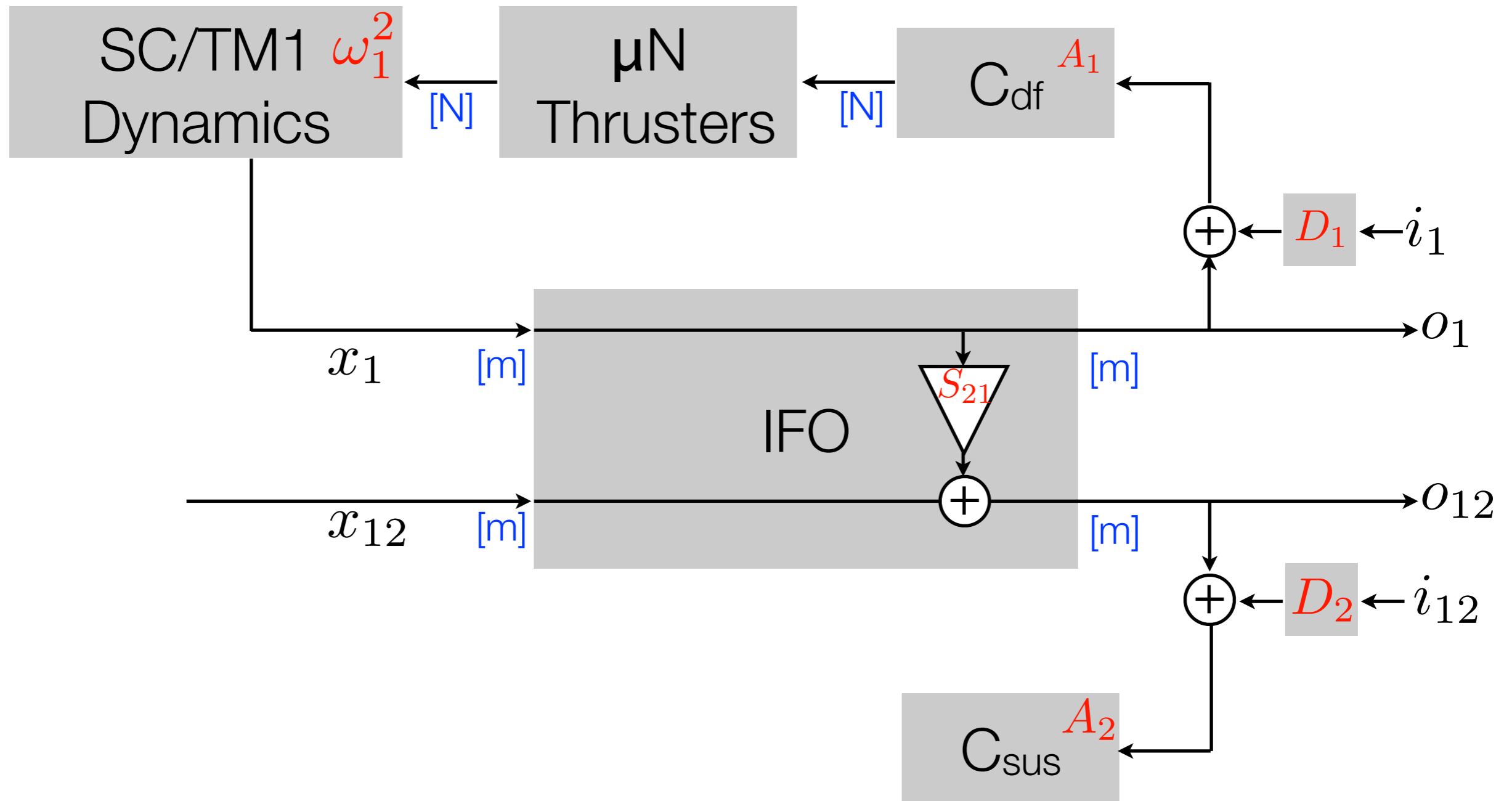
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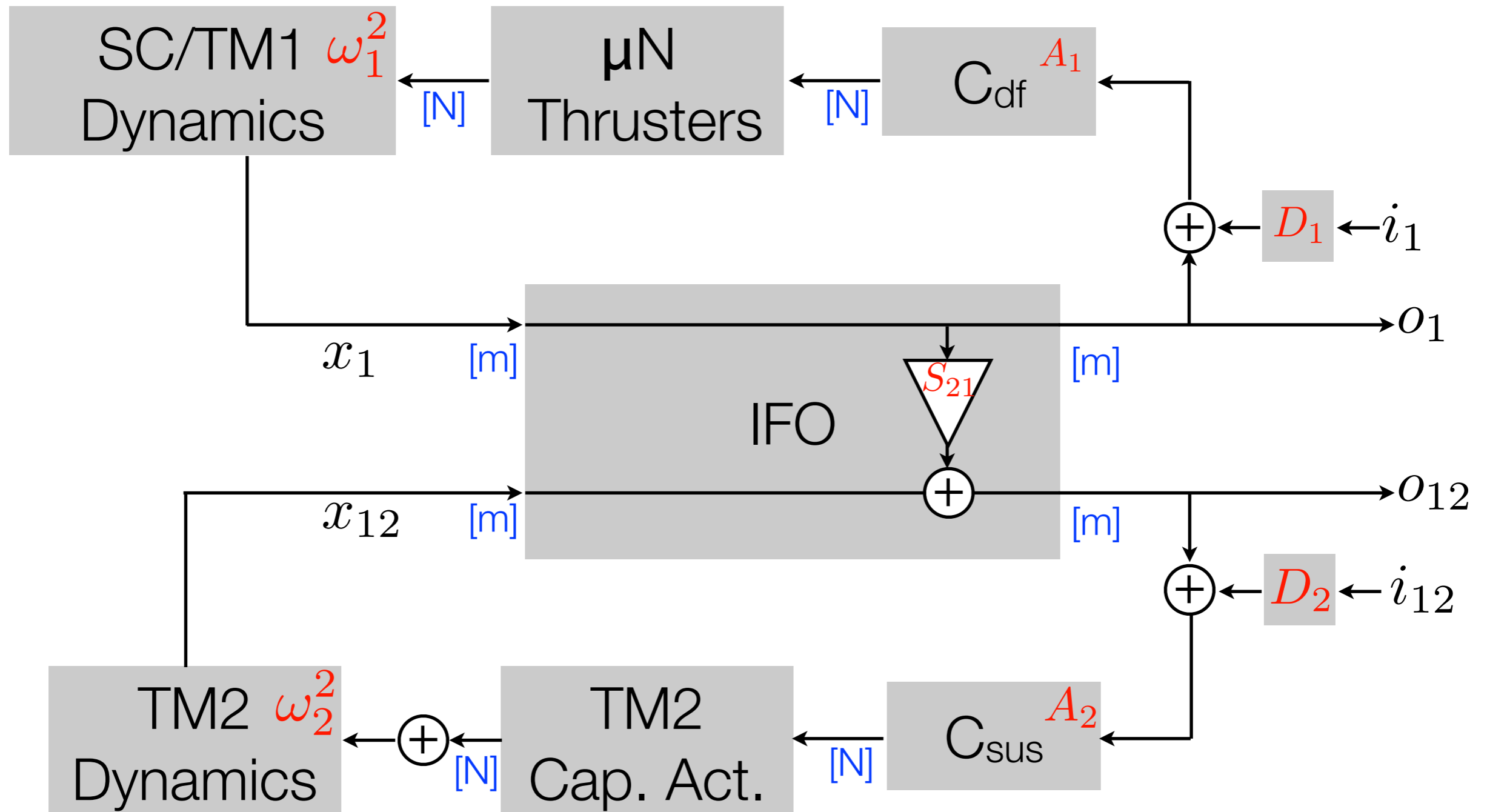
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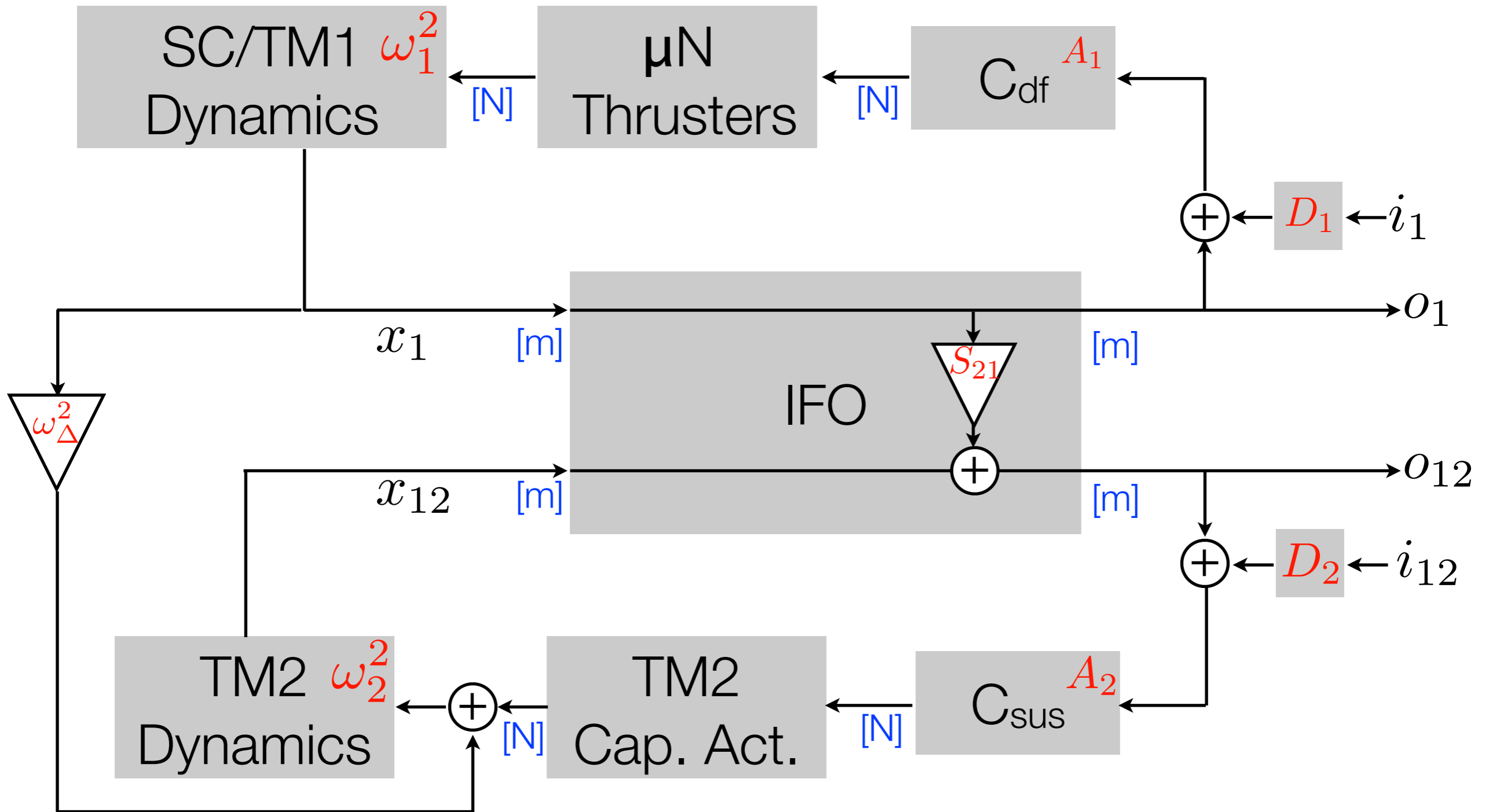
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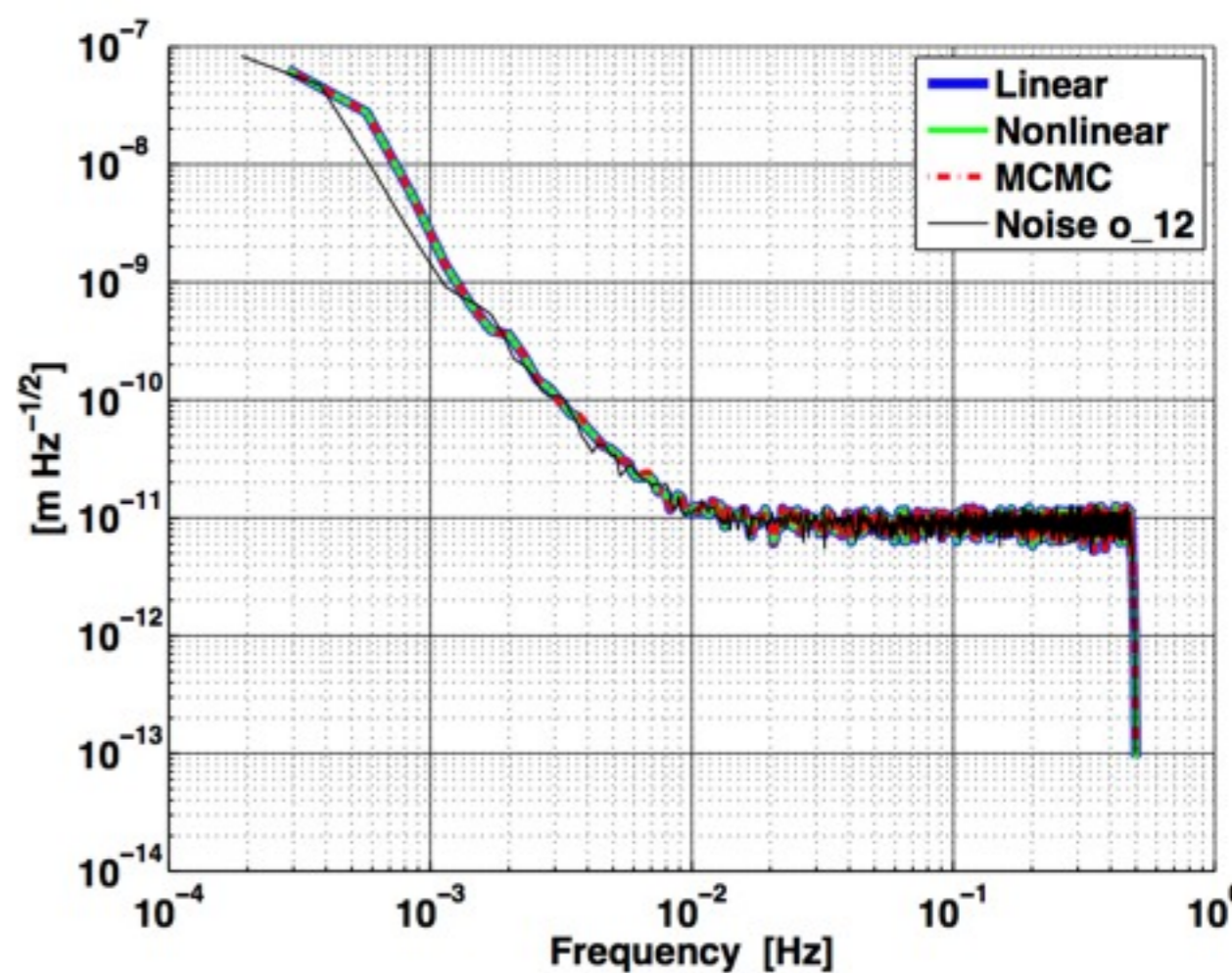
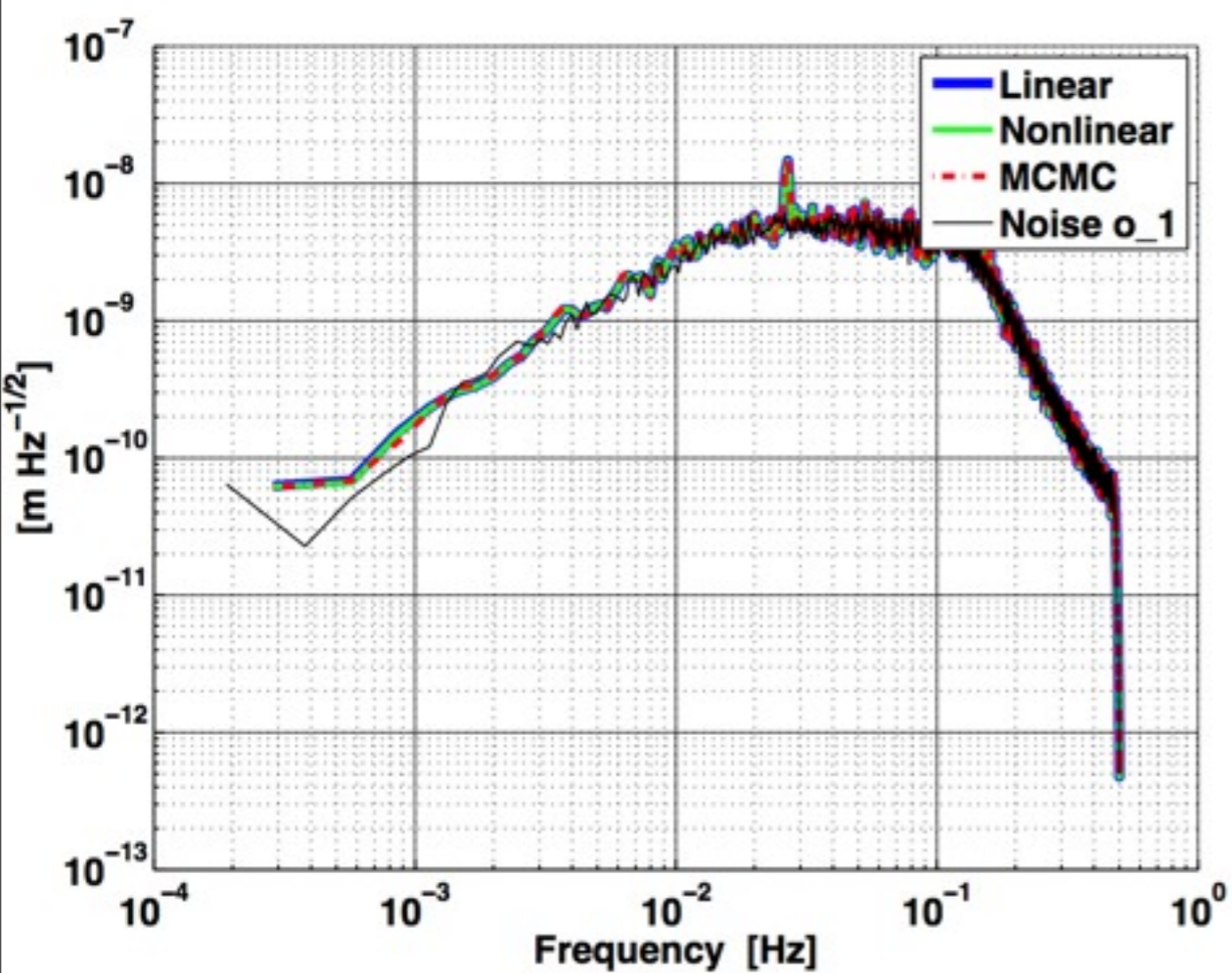
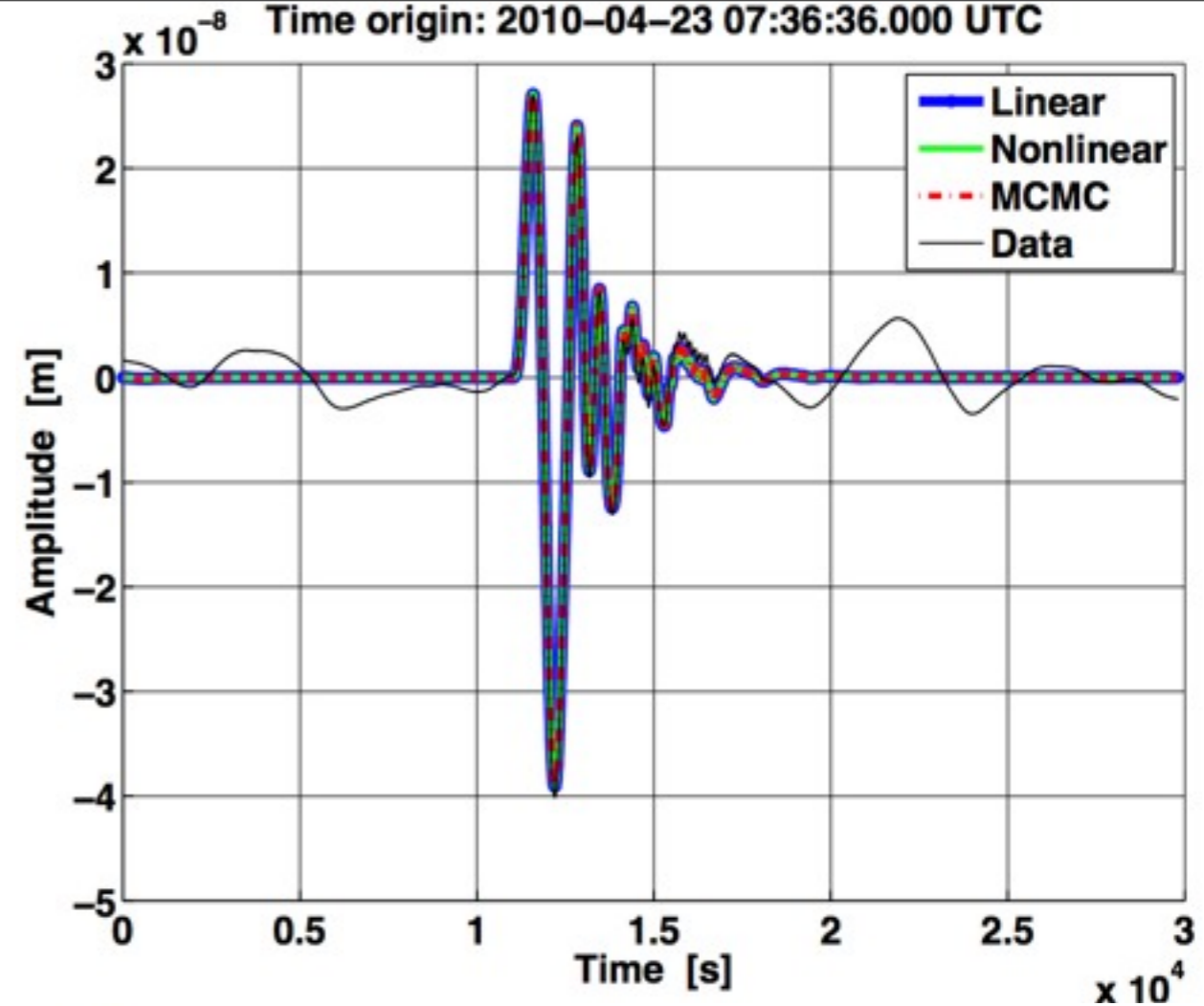
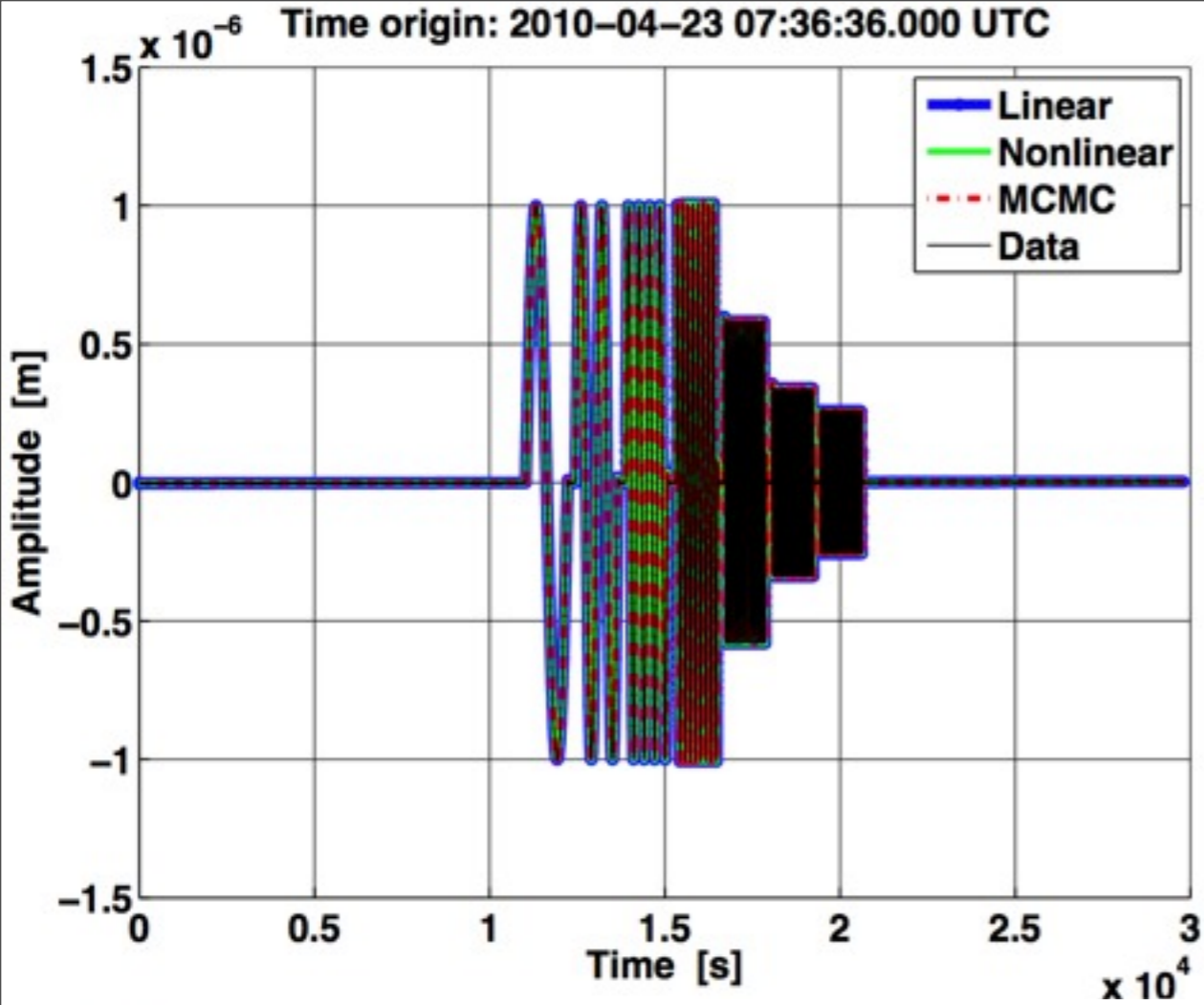


Results using mission simulator



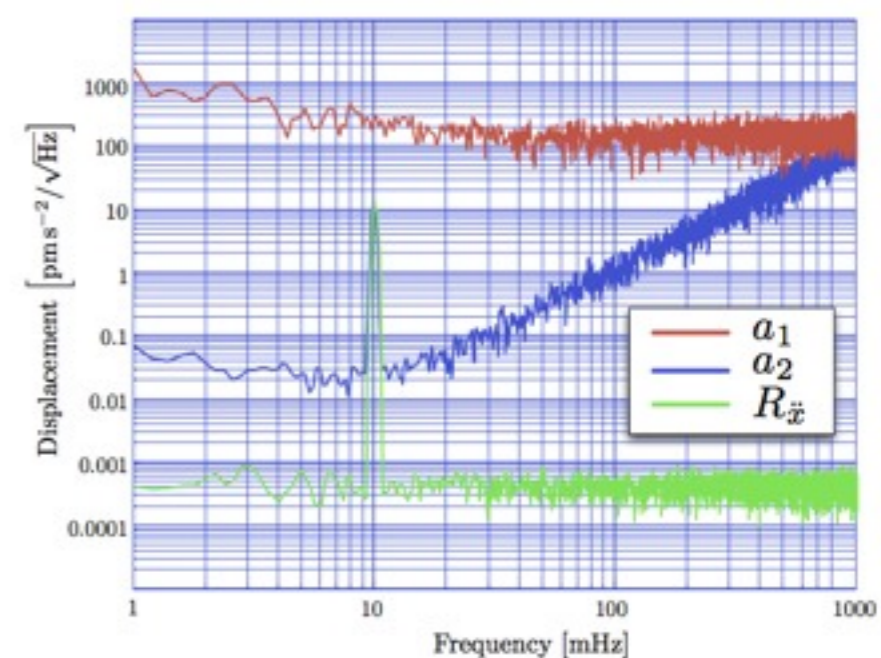
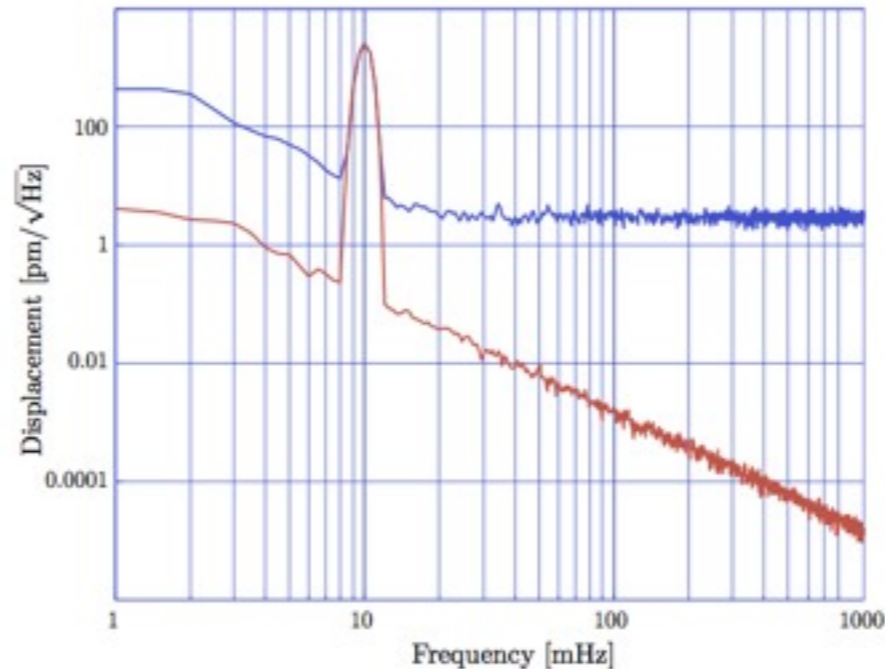
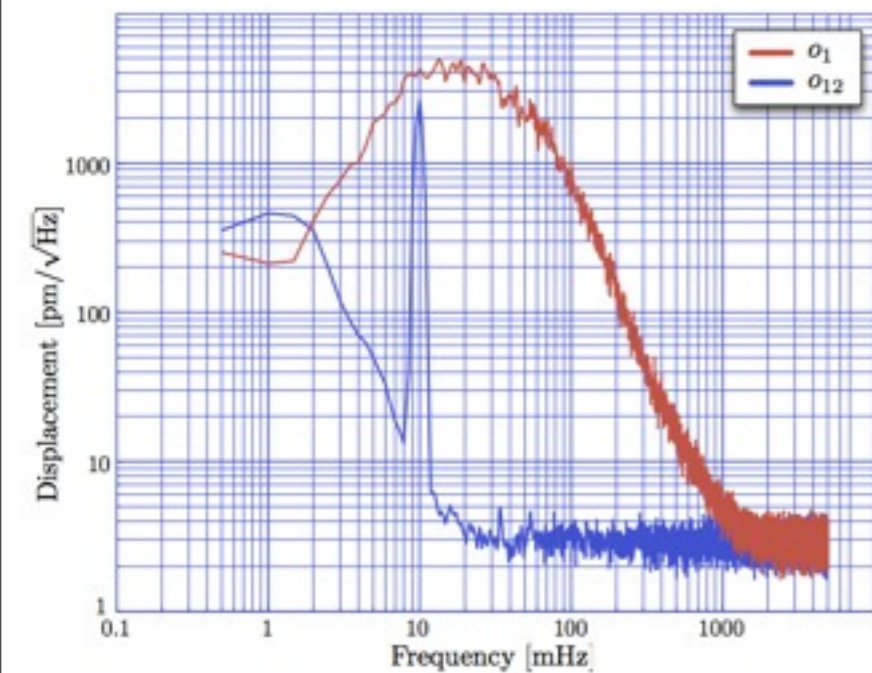
- We can simulate experiments using the mission simulator
 - 3D, non-linear, time-domain simulation
- We can recover the parameters with high precision
 - very dependent on having a good model

Parameter	Linear $\hat{x} \pm \sigma$	Non-linear $\hat{x} \pm \sigma (\sigma/\sigma_{CR})$	MCMC $\hat{x} \pm \sigma (\sigma/\sigma_{CR})$
A1	1.0699 ± 0.0005	1.0705 ± 0.0006	1.0701 ± 0.0003
A2	0.99998 ± 0.00003	0.99998 ± 0.00003	0.99997 ± 0.00002
S21	$(1.2 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-6}$	$(1.2 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-6}$	$(2.0 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-6}$
del1	-0.1982 ± 0.0005	-0.1985 ± 0.0005	-0.2020 ± 0.0001
del2	-0.199 ± 0.001	-0.199 ± 0.001	-0.1995 ± 0.0008
ω_2^1	$(-1.319 \pm 0.002) \times 10^{-6}$	$(-1.319 \pm 0.002) \times 10^{-6}$	$(-1.320 \pm 0.001) \times 10^{-6}$
$\omega_2^2 - \omega_1^2$	$(-7.160 \pm 0.006) \times 10^{-7}$	$(-7.160 \pm 0.006) \times 10^{-7}$	$(-7.148 \pm 0.006) \times 10^{-7}$



Laser amplitude noise

- If the laser stabilisation fails, the force noise on the TM from fluctuations in radiation pressure can become significant
- Experiment:
 - modulate laser power at 1mHz
 - measure coupling of RIN to TM displacement
 - depends on power, TM reflectivity, photodiode calibration

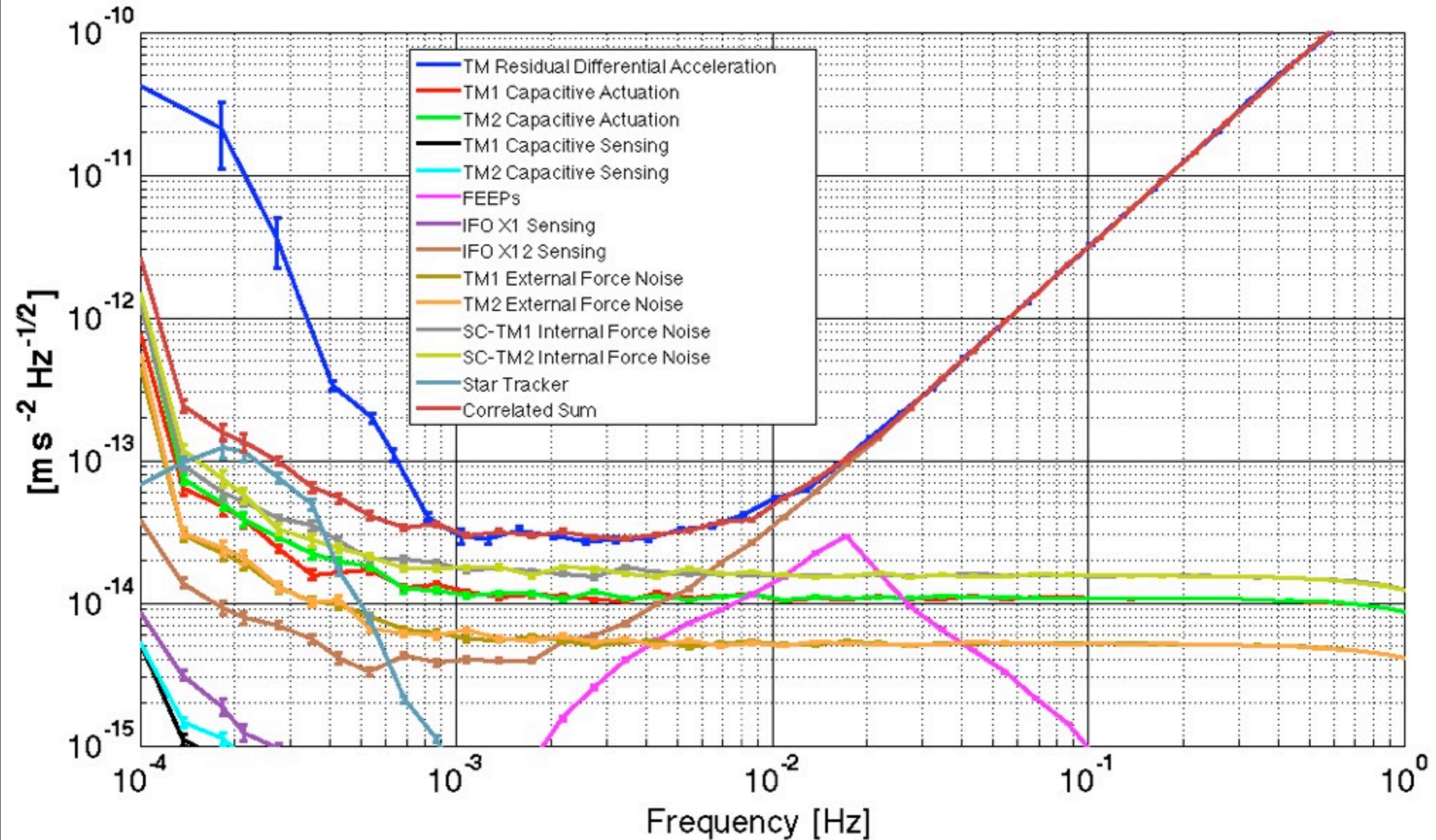




Noise budget

- Various noise contributions can be directly measured
- Some noise sources can be measured
- Some noise couplings must be modelled
 - using estimates of physical parameters together with a system model
- Some noise contributions must be estimated/modelled from design

Noise budget



Free-flight experiment





Free-flight experiment

- Capacitive actuation will be close to limiting around 1mHz



Free-flight experiment

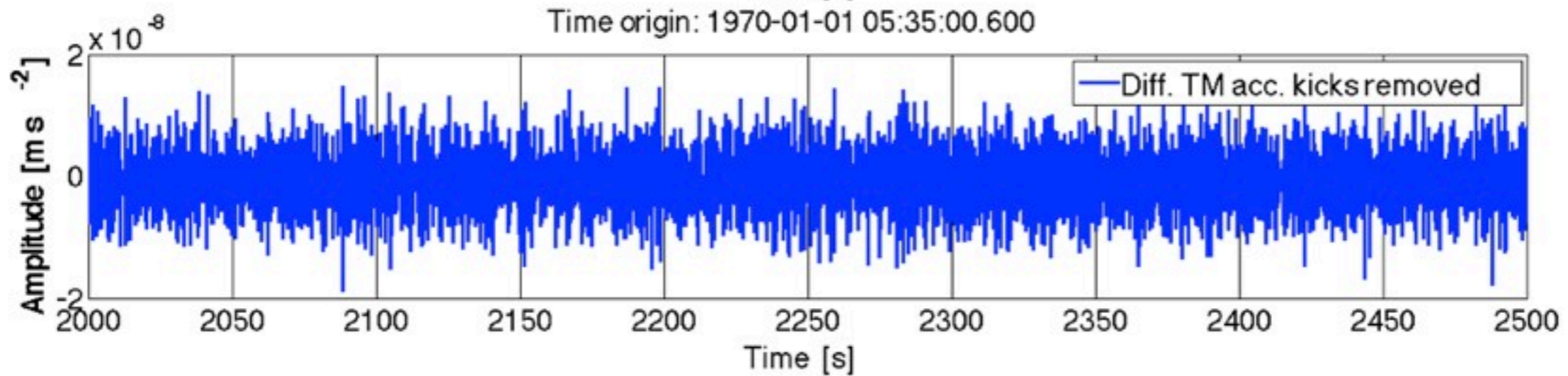
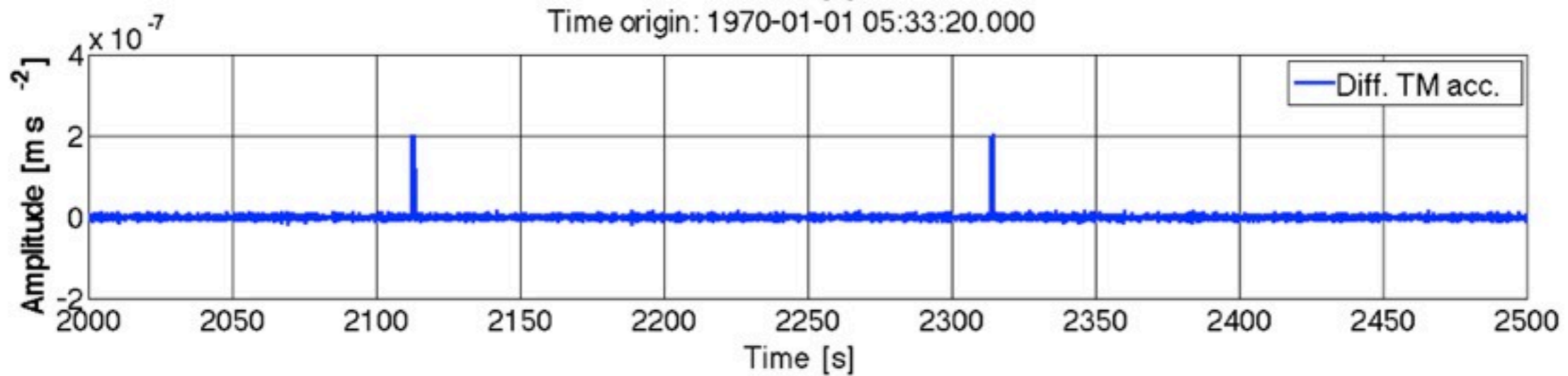
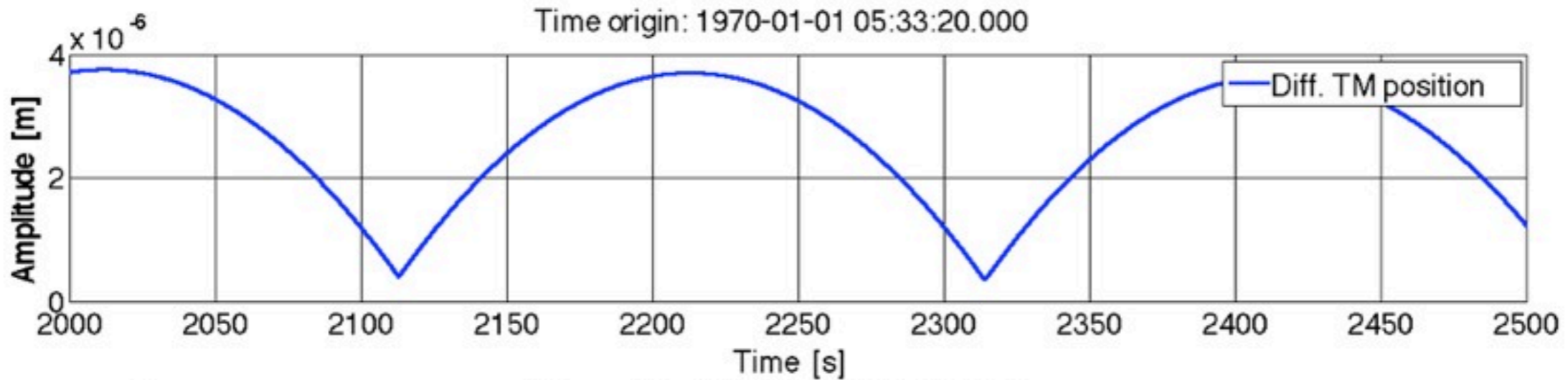
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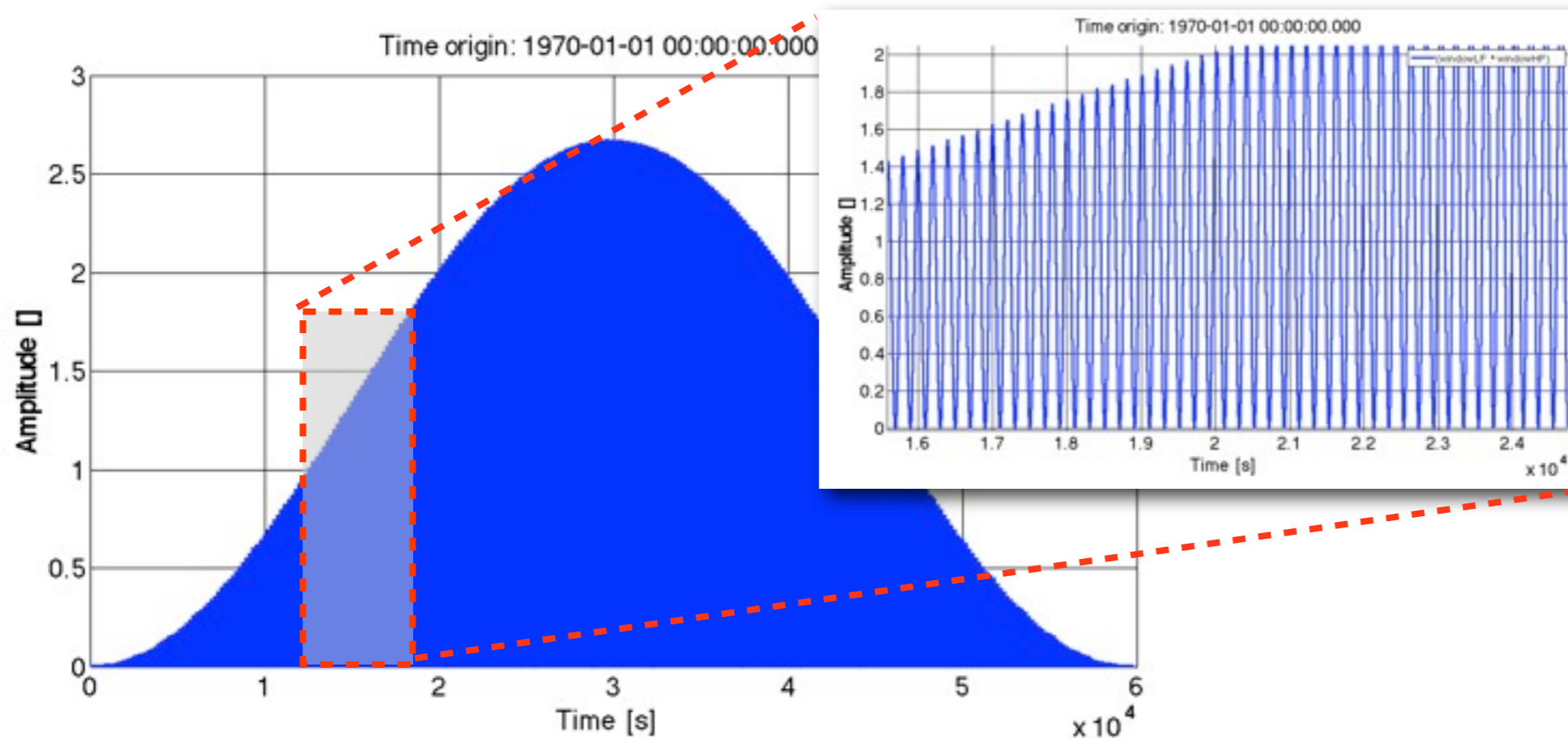
Free-flight experiment

- Capacitive actuation will be close to limiting around 1mHz
- Do an experiment with the actuation off
 - must be short otherwise the TM will drift too far
 - repeat many times
- Experiment:
 - kick test-mass away
 - turn off actuation
 - let the test-mass drift (in parabola)
 - repeat

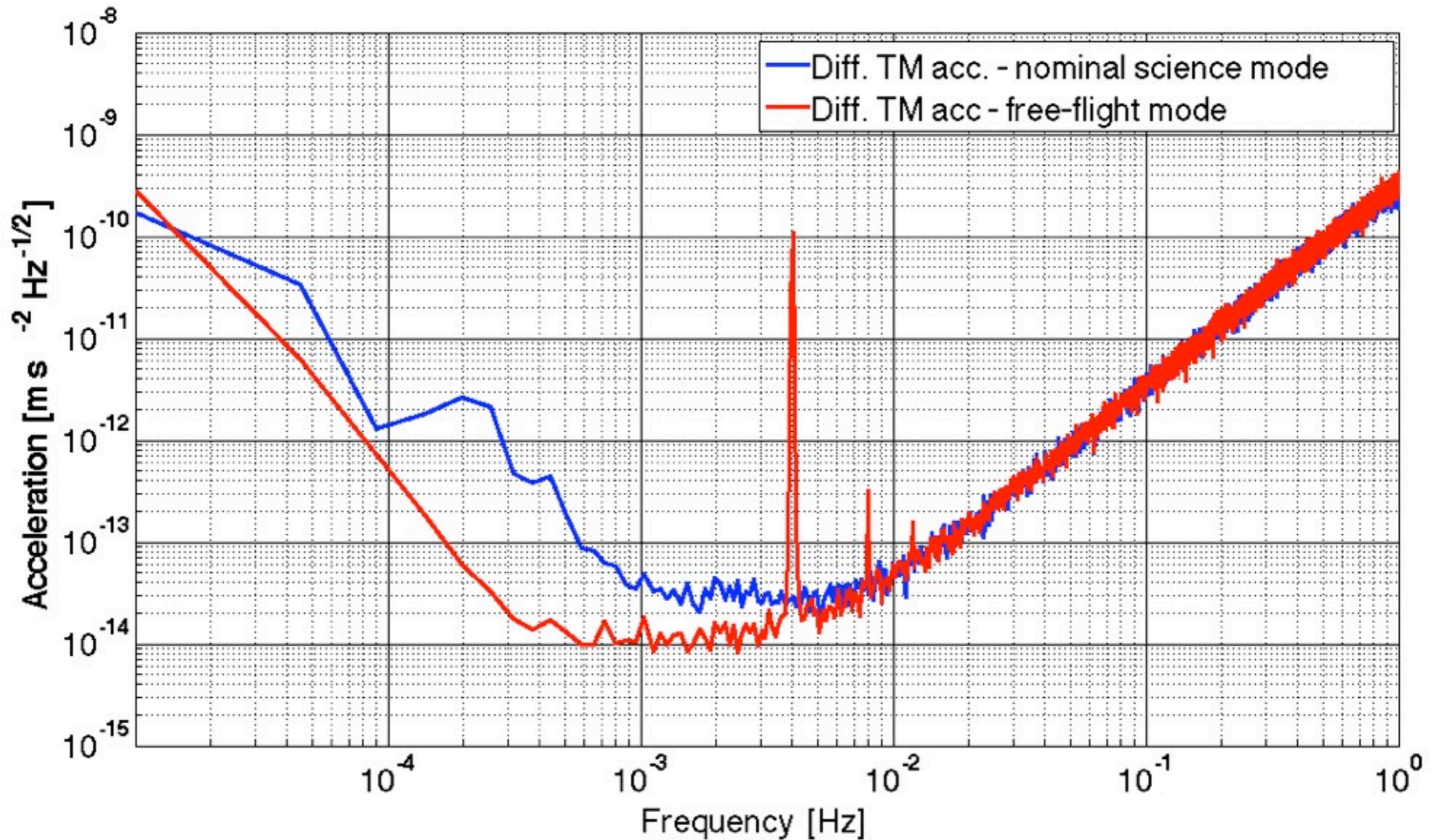
Simulation



- Need to analyse the multiple short (200s) drift segments to estimate the spectrum at 1mHz
- First approach: window the data, and proceed with normal PSD estimate

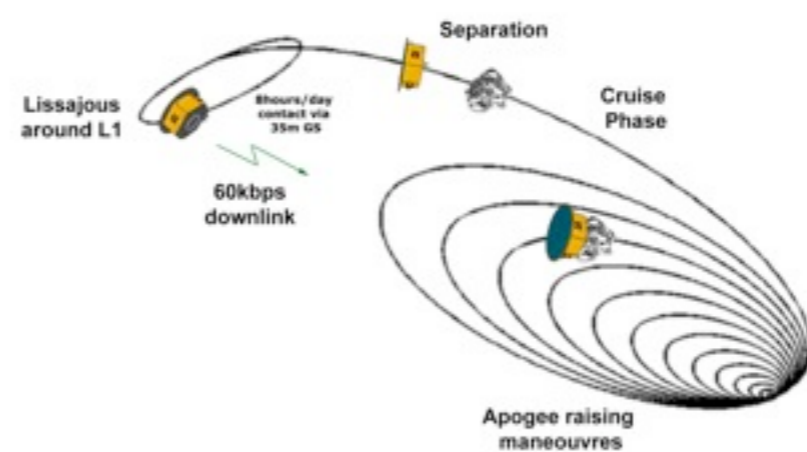
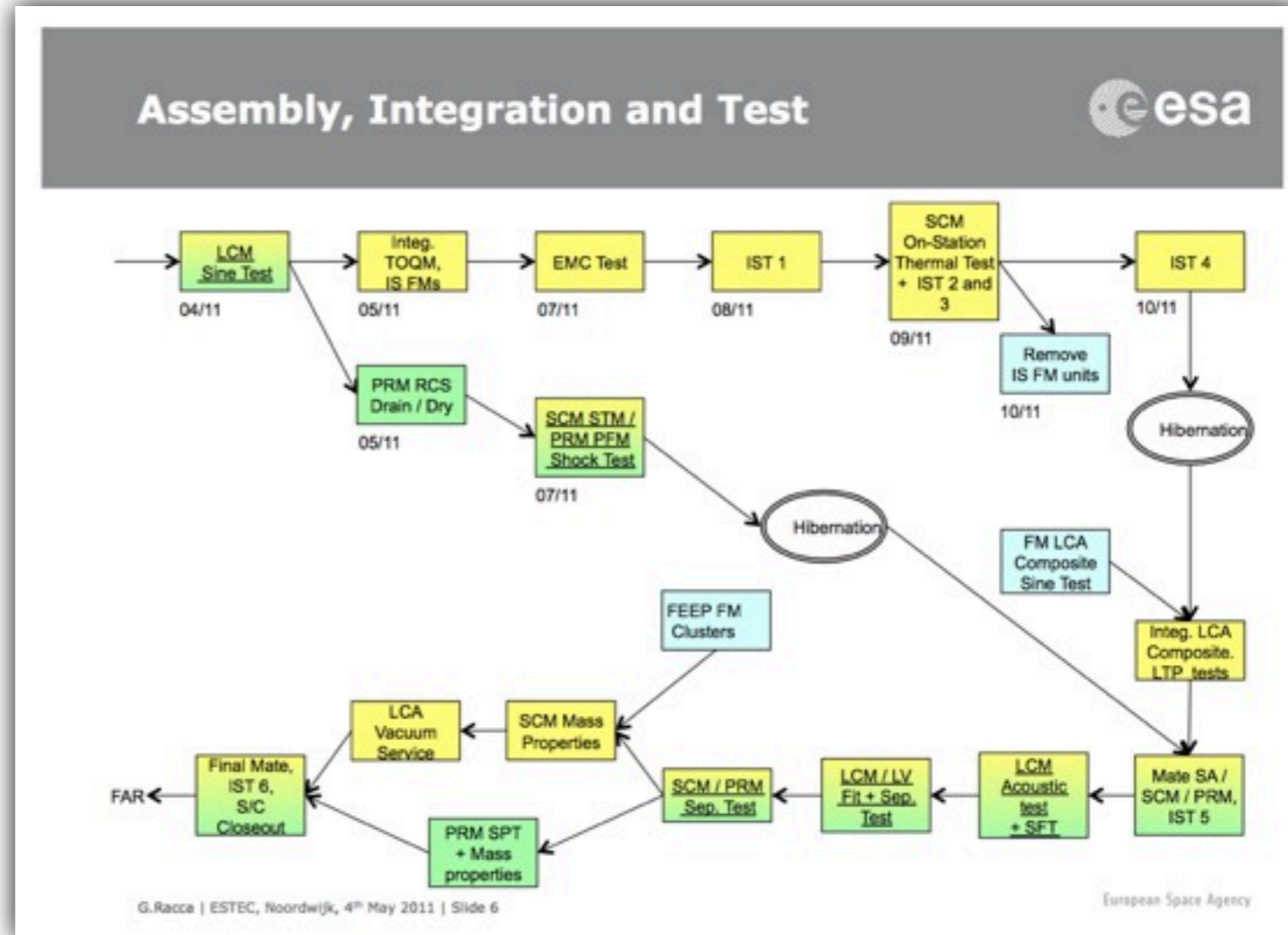


PSD Estimate



Conclusion

- LPF is well on its way!
 - Most of the hardware is there
 - awaiting thrusters and launch lock
 - Most of the experiments are already defined
 - many are even tested with DA in place
 - We have a clear path to launch
- Launch in 2014





Thank you