

MOTOR TEST RIG:

Improving Alignment and Incorporating Torque Transducer

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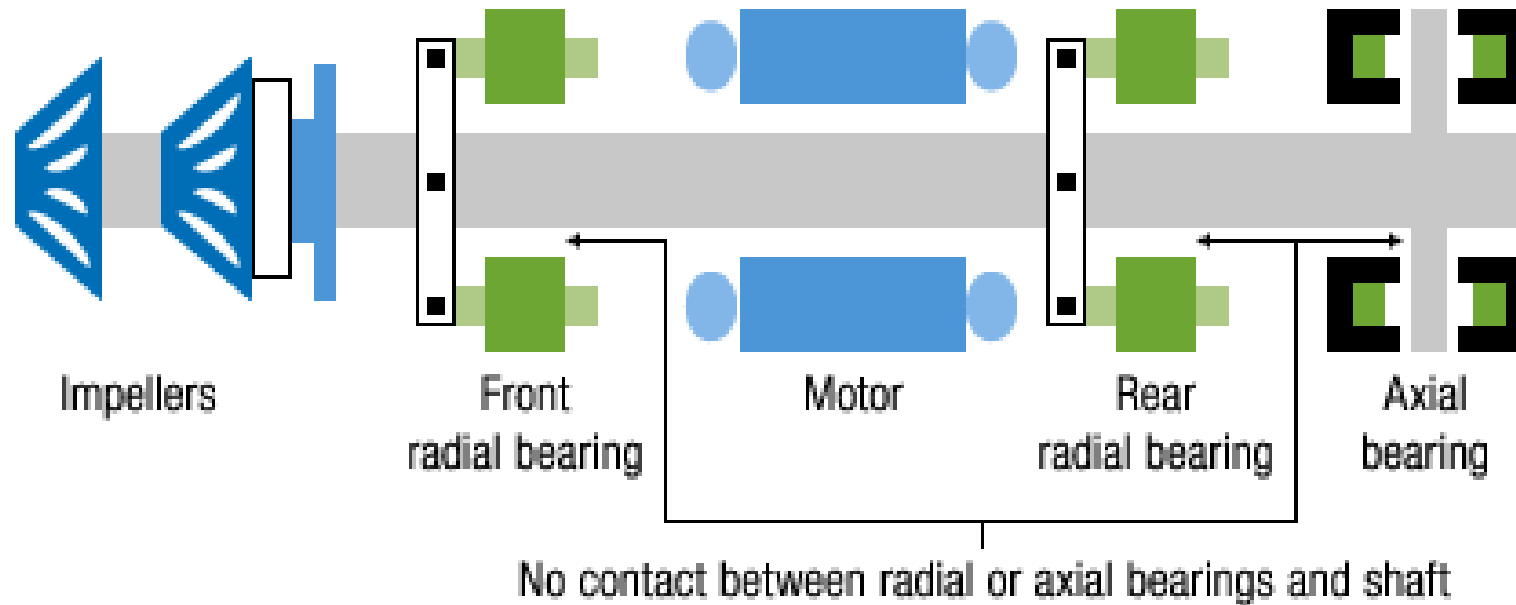
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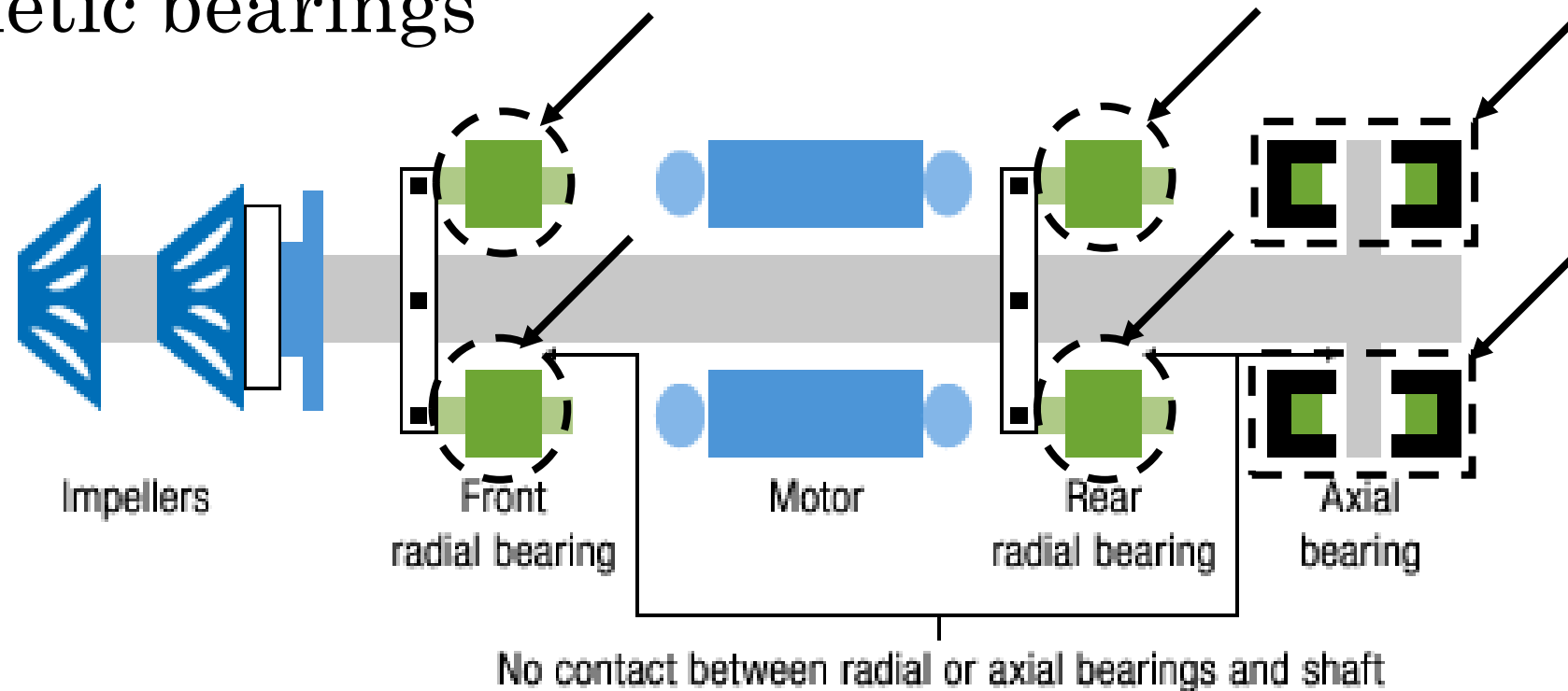


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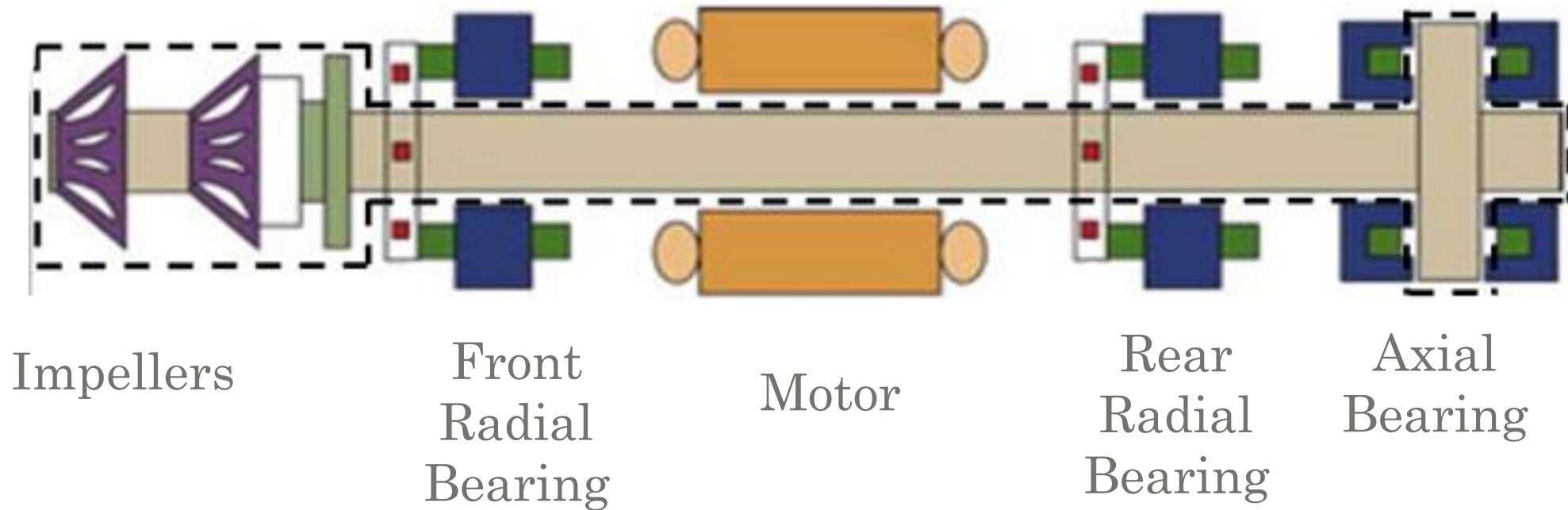


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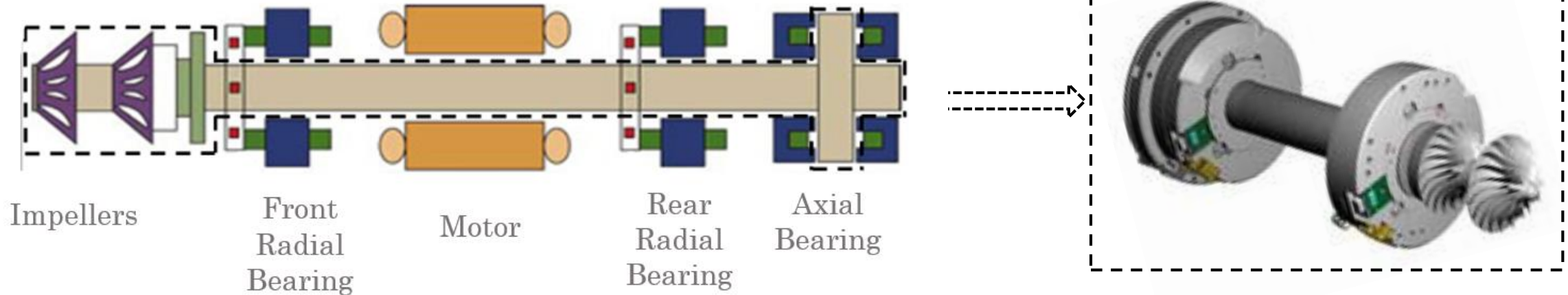


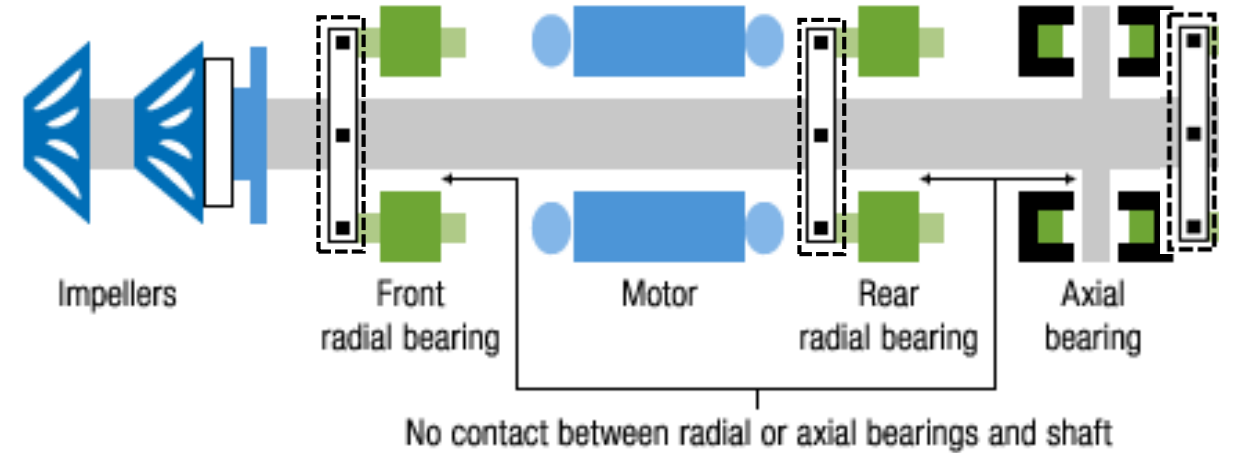
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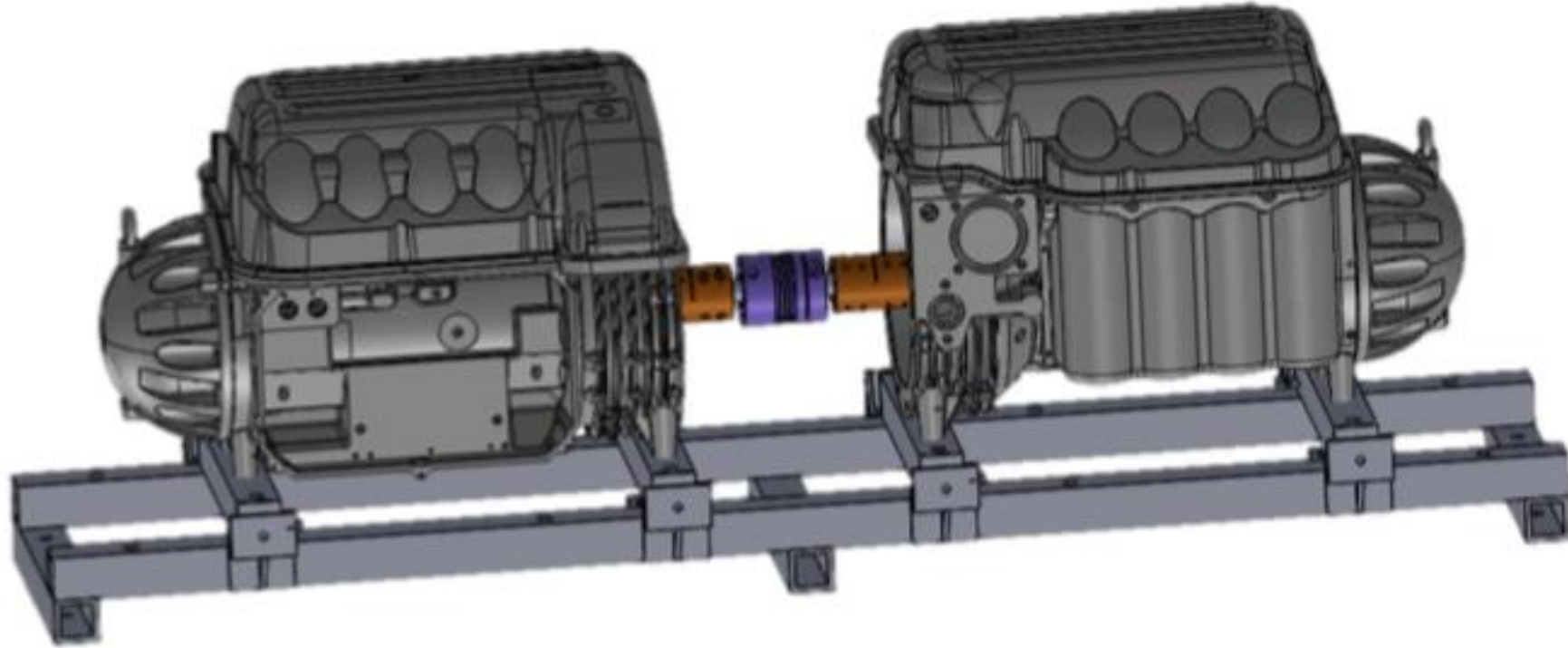


Fig. 6 Last Year's Final Design

DIAL ALIGNMENT (LAST YEAR)

- Costs less
- Subject to human error

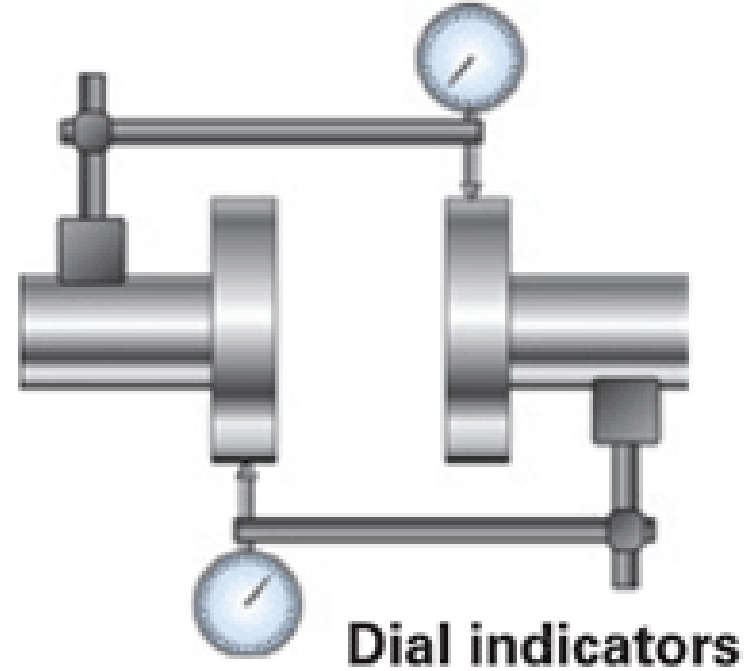


Fig. 7 Human Dial Alignment

LASER ALIGNMENT (THIS YEAR)

- Quite expensive – \$3,250
- Has a high level of accuracy

Fig. 8 Laser Alignment



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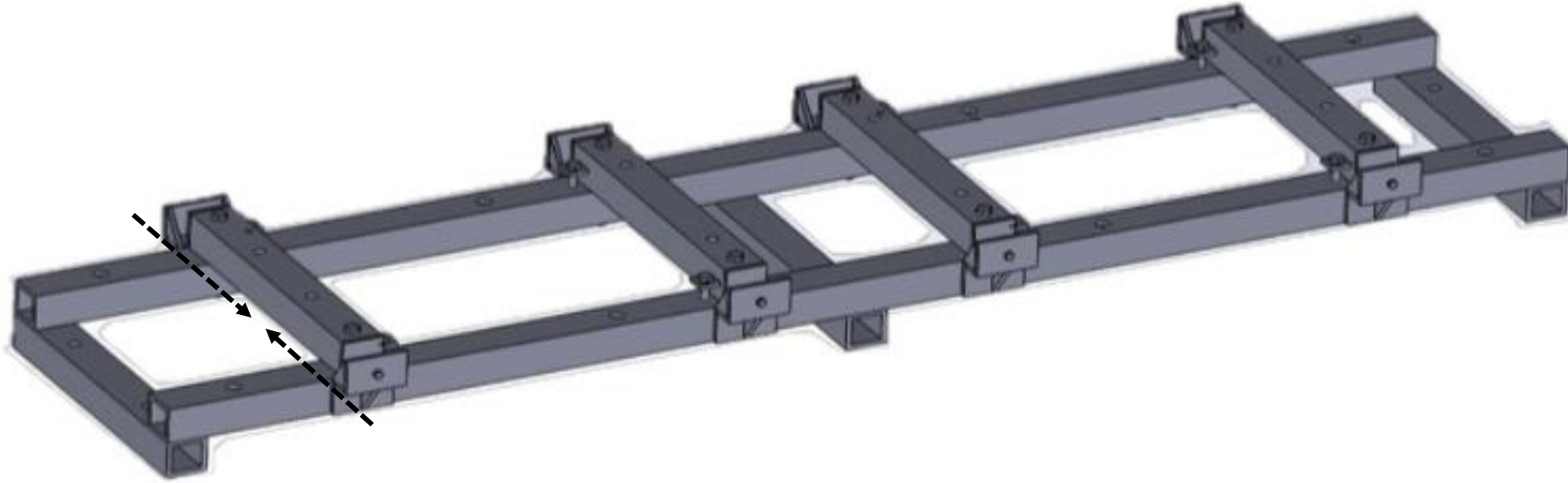


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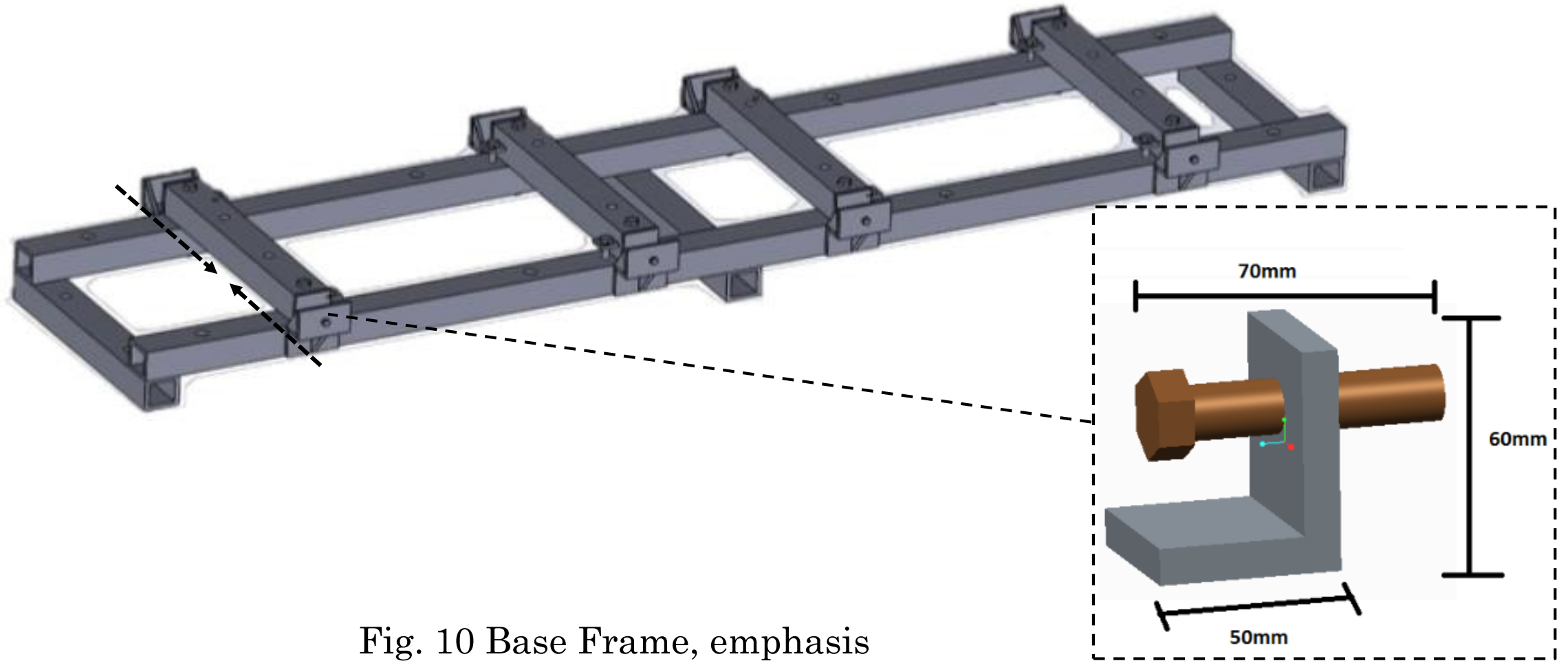


Fig. 10 Base Frame, emphasis on Lateral Screw

FLEXIBLE COUPLING

- Last year's senior design team went ahead with the flexible coupler for the following reasons:
 1. Backlash free due to the frictional clamp connection
 2. Ability to cope with the high rotational speeds
 3. Be tolerant of misalignment
 4. Lightweight
- Cons of using a flexible coupler:
 1. At high speed, the least eccentricity would lead very high levels of vibration which could be detrimental to the system as a whole.



Fig. 11 Flexible Coupling

JAW COUPLING

- Jaw designs are considered "failsafe" because the coupling is not necessarily destroyed or rendered inoperable if the spider breaks away
- Simple design with only three parts -- a spider housed between two metal hubs -- allows easy installation, disassembly and visual inspection
- No metal-to-metal contact between driving/driven parts
- Greater radial softness due to material of the elastomer spider

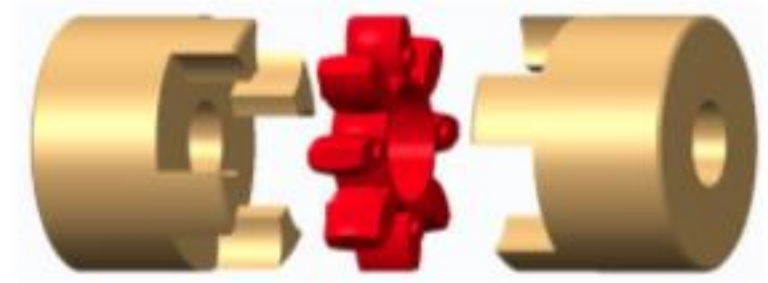


Fig. 12 Jaw Coupling Cad Drawing

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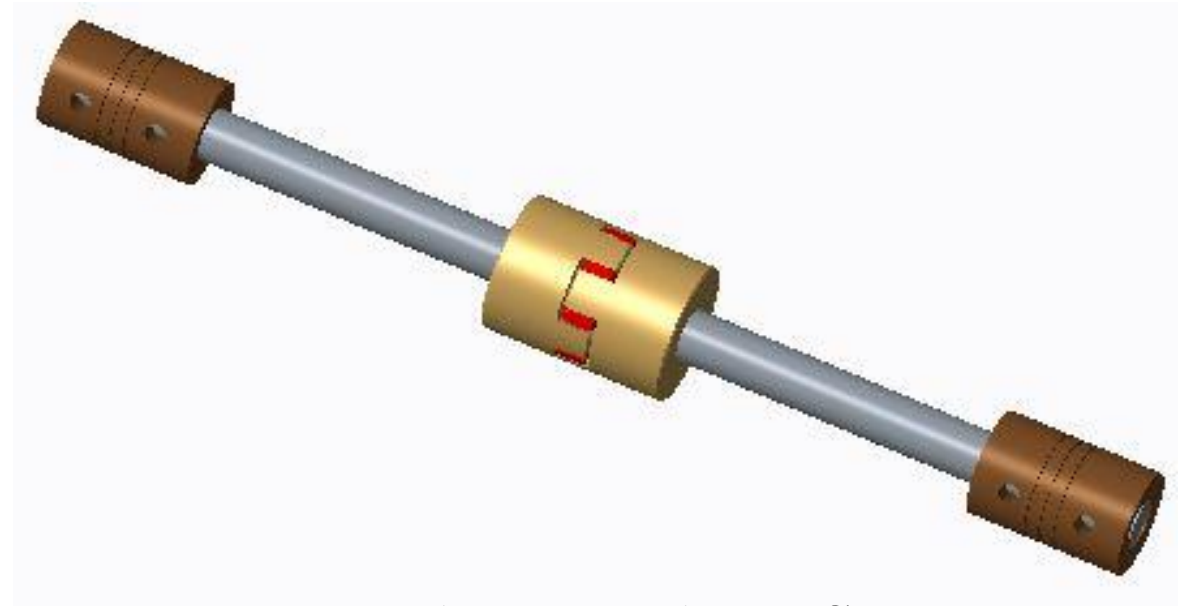
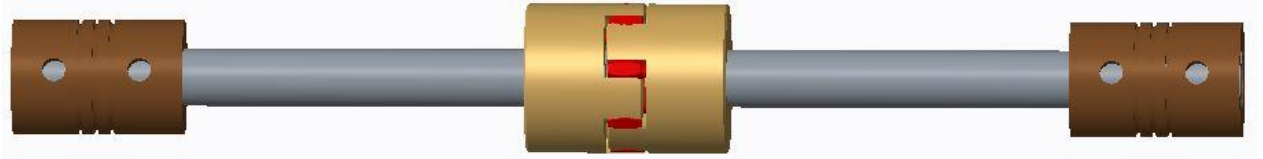


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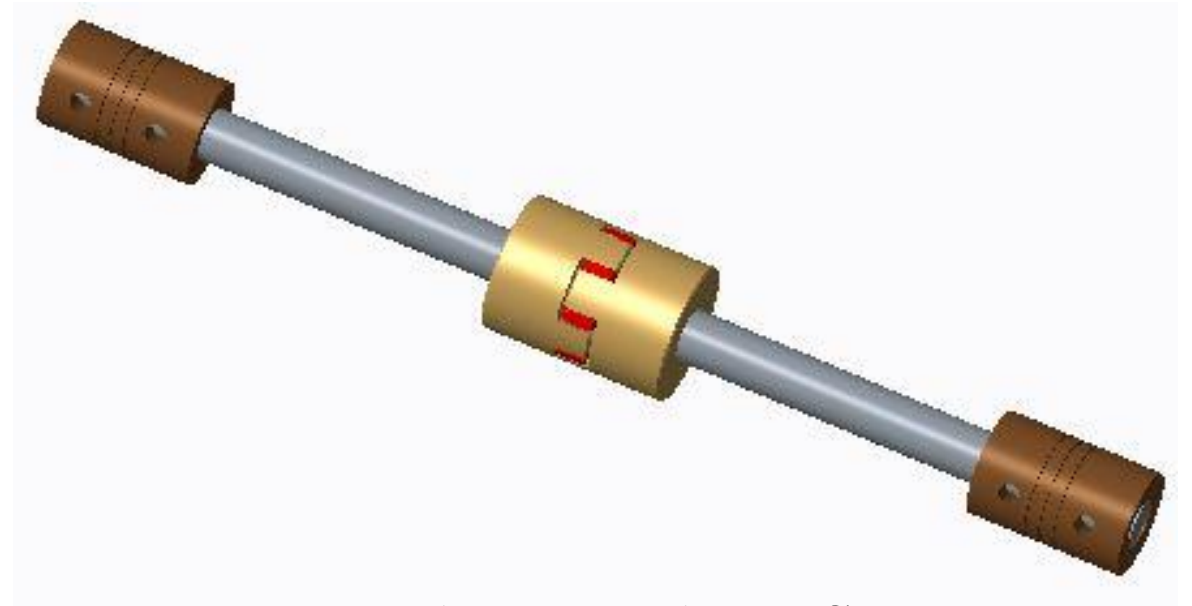
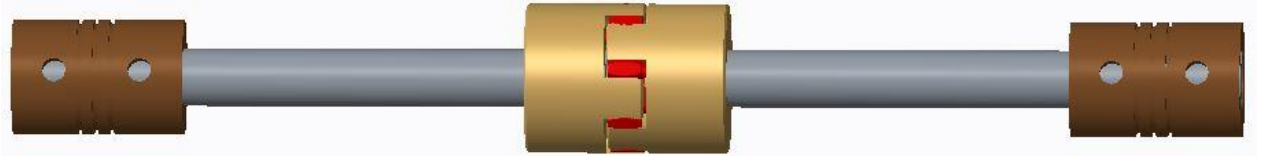


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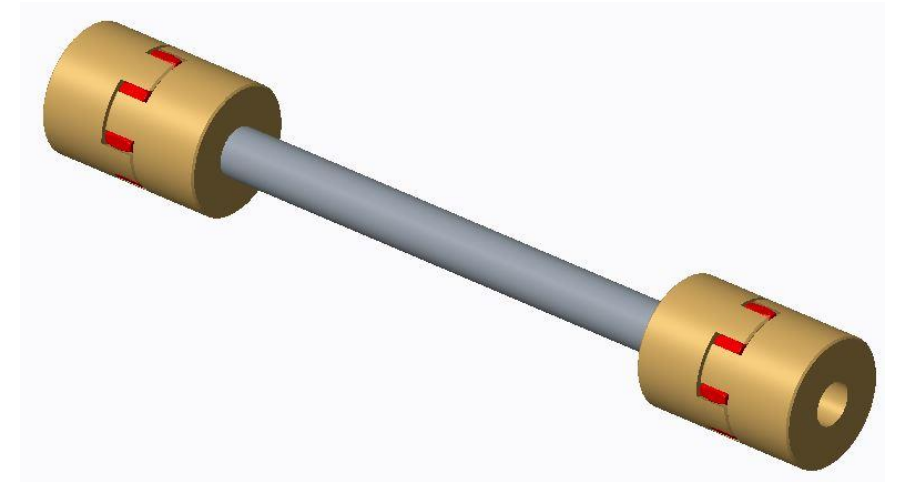


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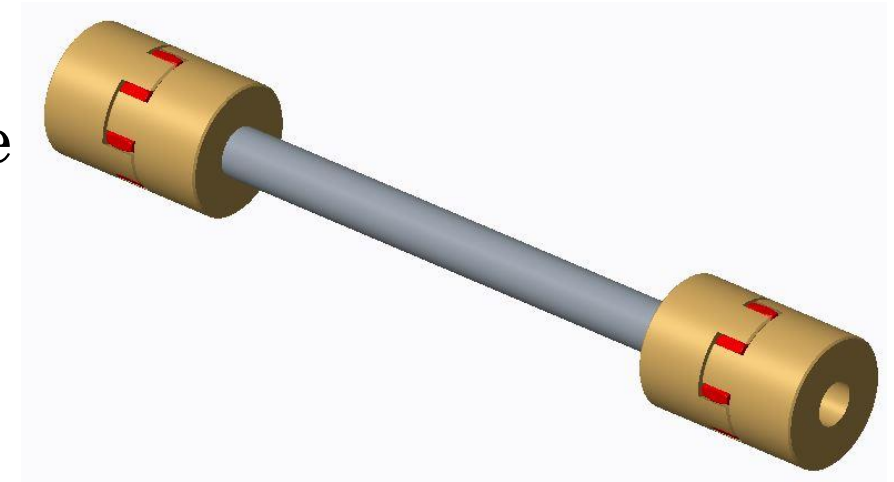


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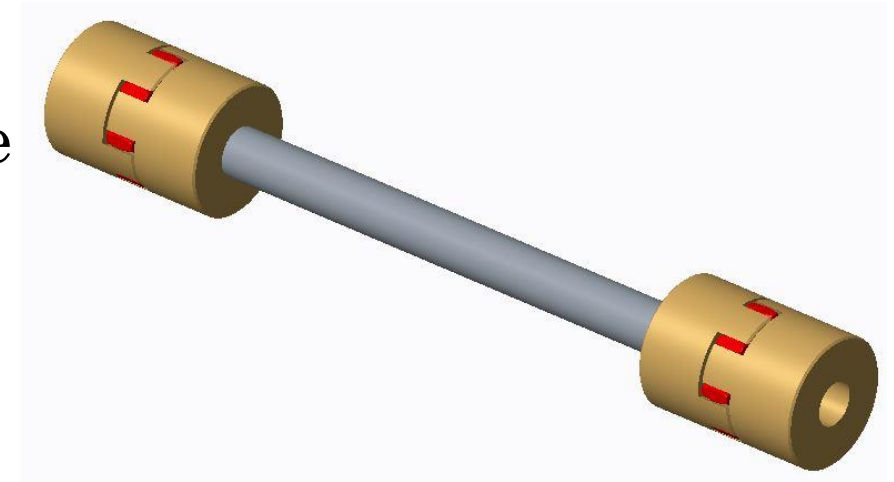


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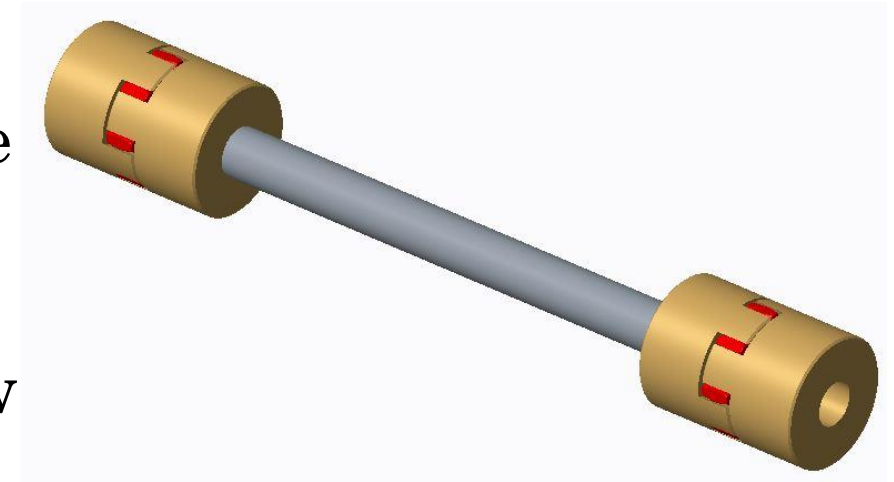


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- Potential to just replace the shaft with the transducer when going into phase two.

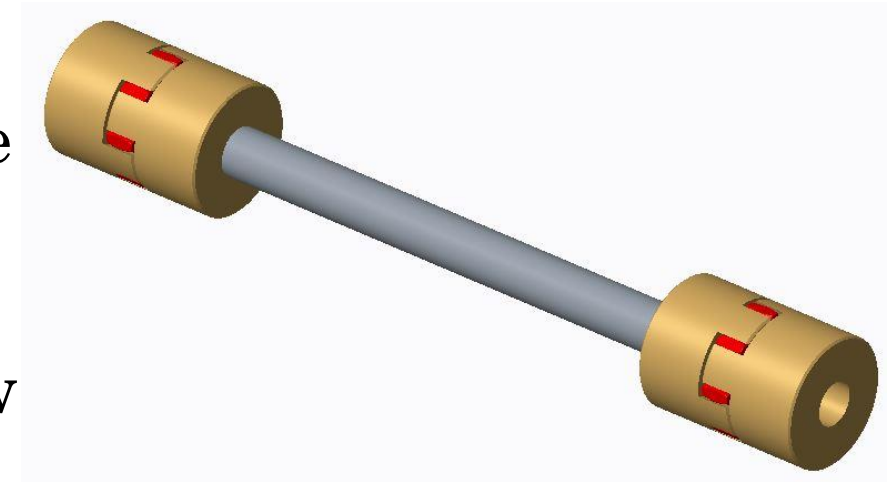


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TT-500 Danfoss TurboCor Compressor

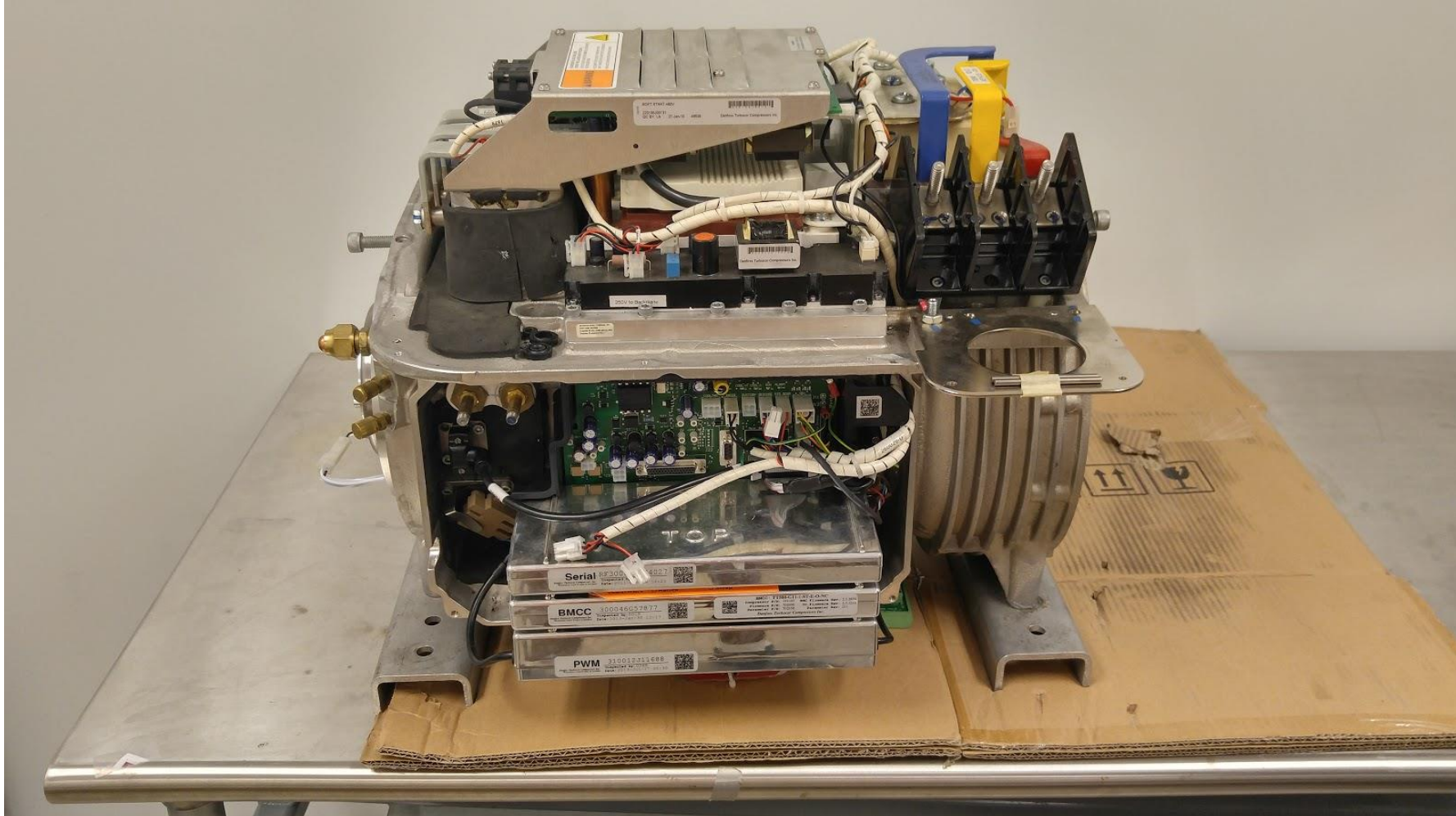


Fig. 15 Compressor

MAGTROL TORQUE TRANSDUCER

- Torque Rating: 20 N·m to 500 N·m
- High Speed Applications: up to 32,000 rpm
- Stainless Steel Shaft

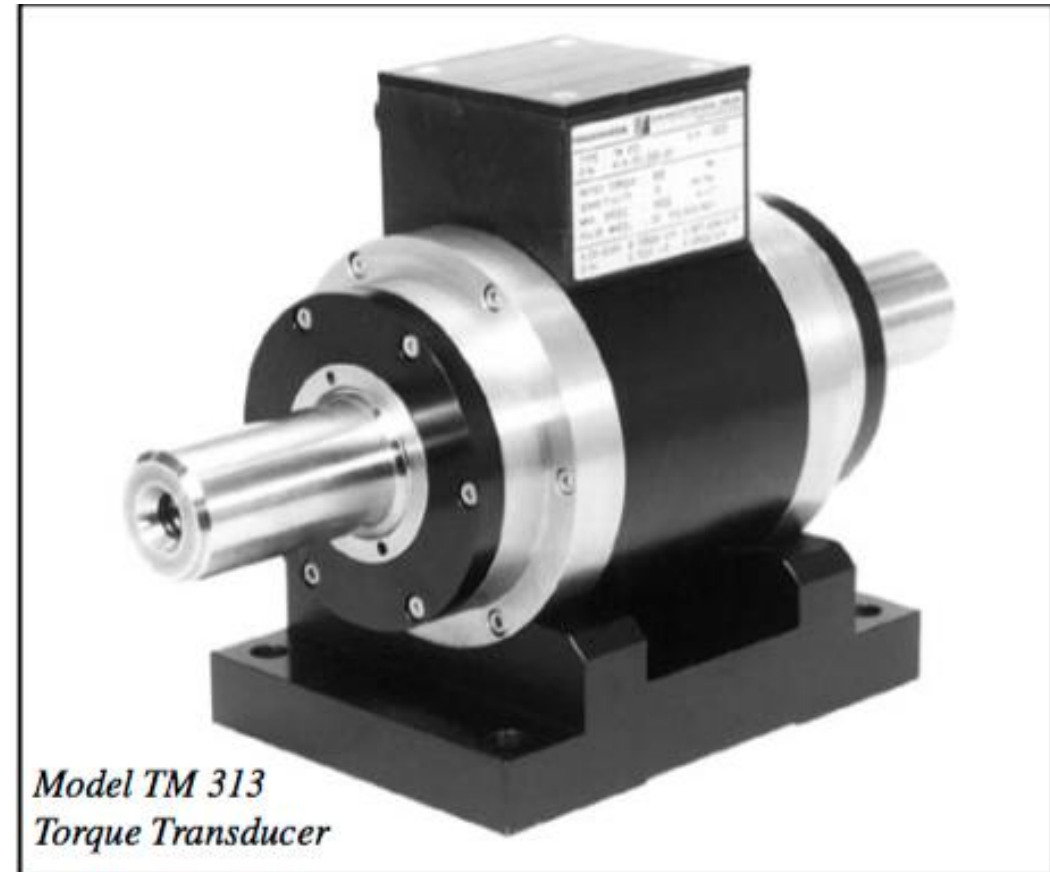


Fig. 16 Torque Transducer

DOUBLE-FLEX DISC COUPLING

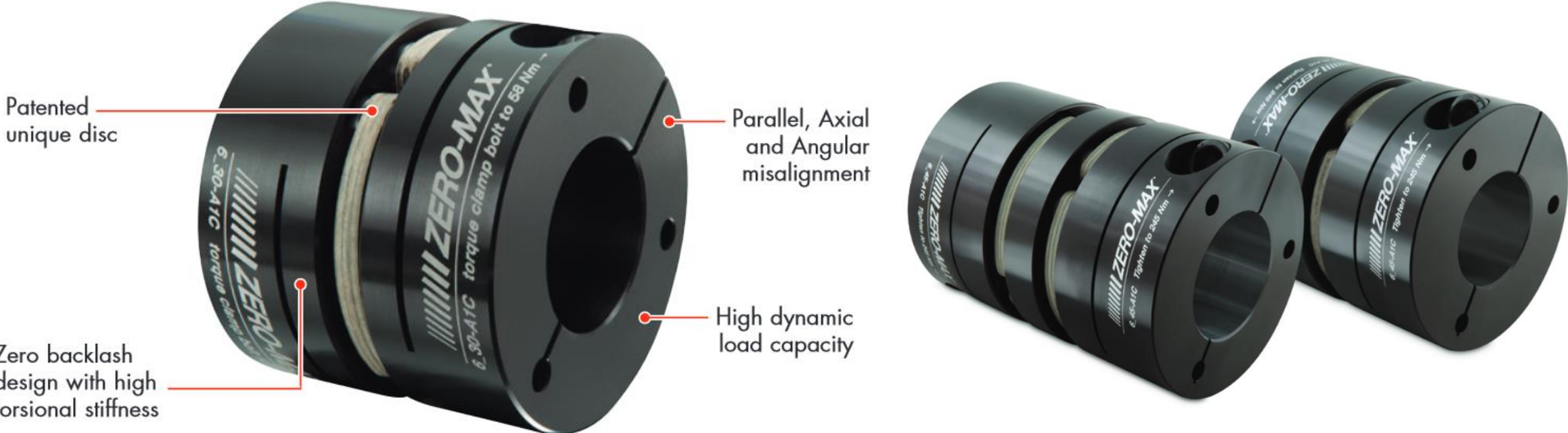
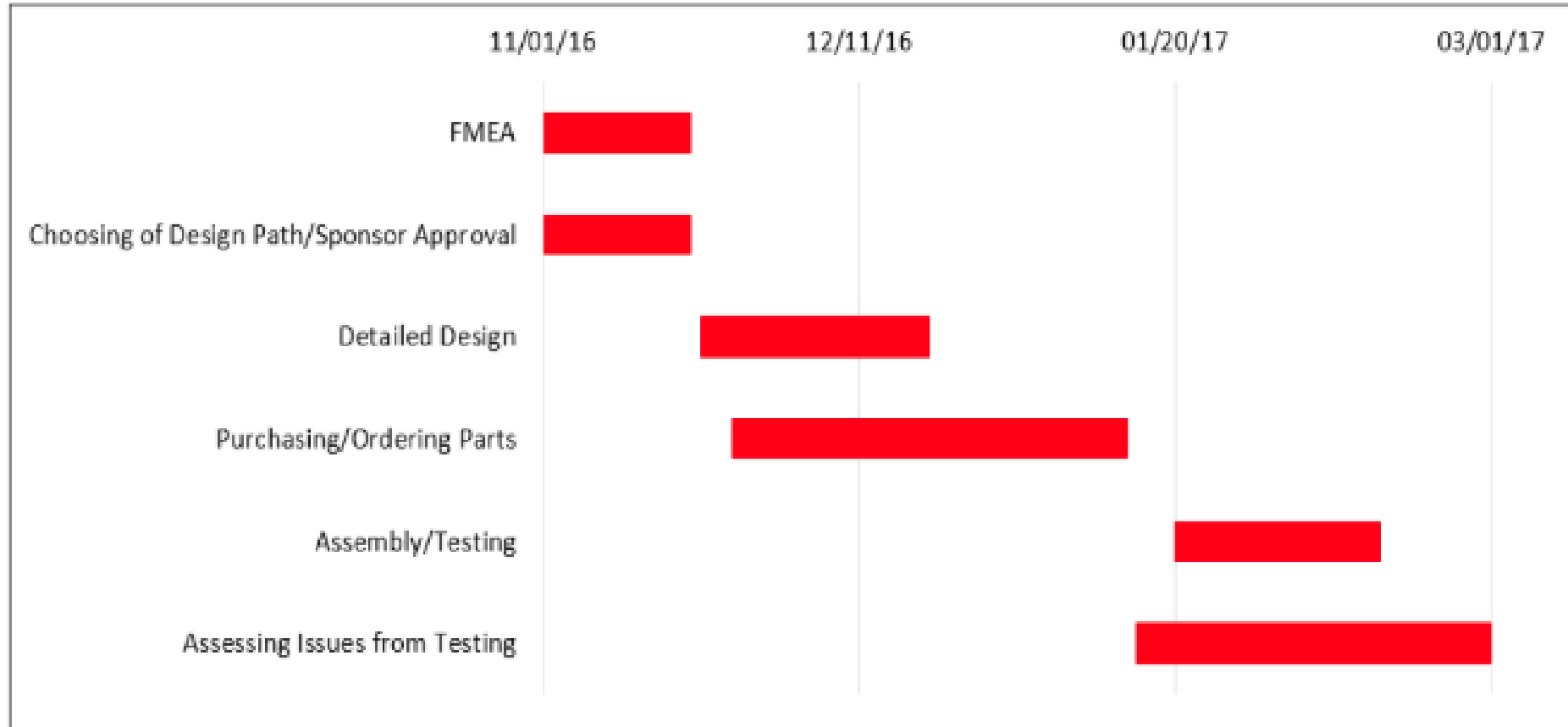


Fig. 17 Double-Flex Disc Coupling

Gantt Chart

Table 1: Future Schedule



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