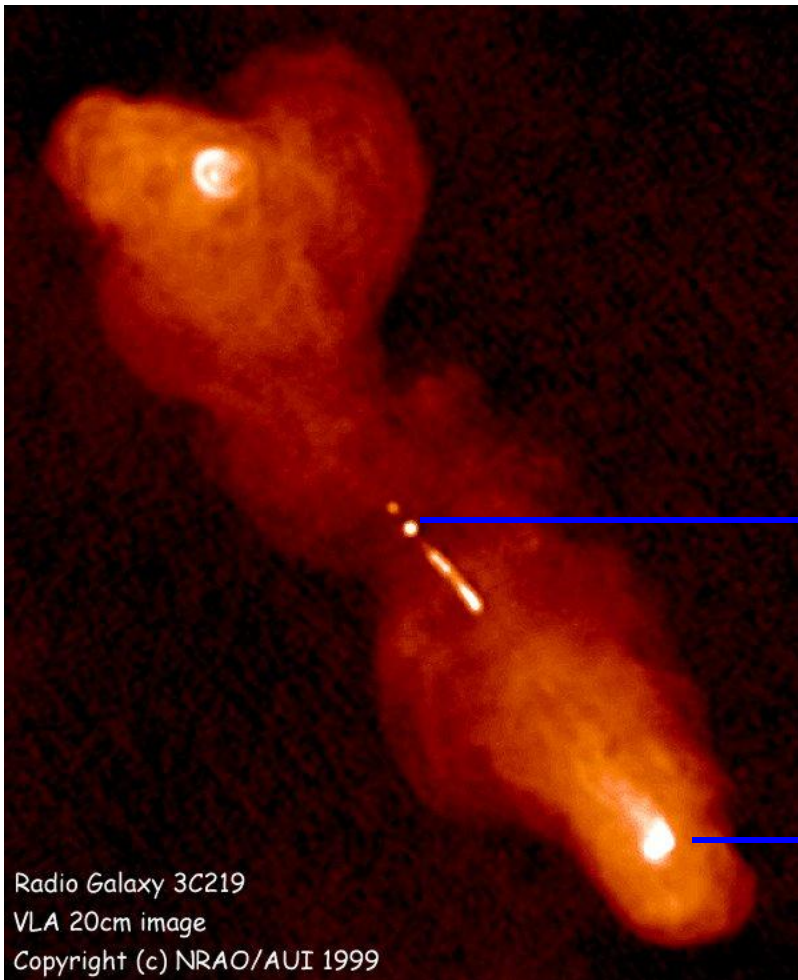


Data Acquisition System in High-Speed Rotating Frame for New Mexico Alpha-Omega Liquid Sodium Dynamo Experiment

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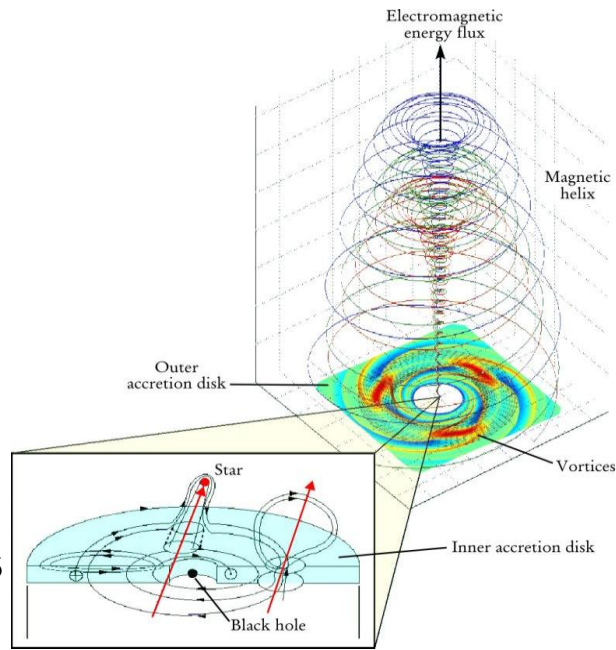
3C219 Radio Lobe, (intergalactic)
~ 1% of free energy of black hole, $\sim 10^{60}$ ergs.



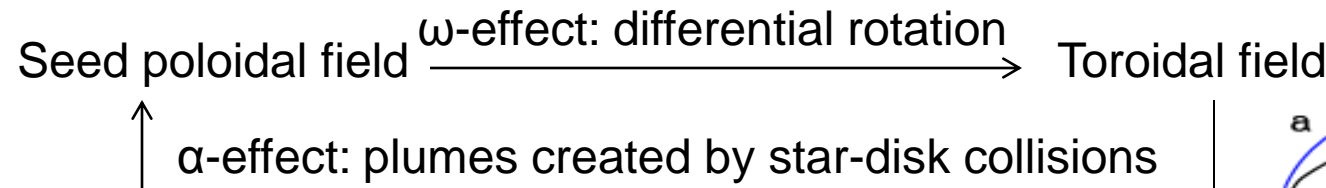
The accretion disk dynamo
(plumes and differential rotation)
and helical jet.

the dynamo

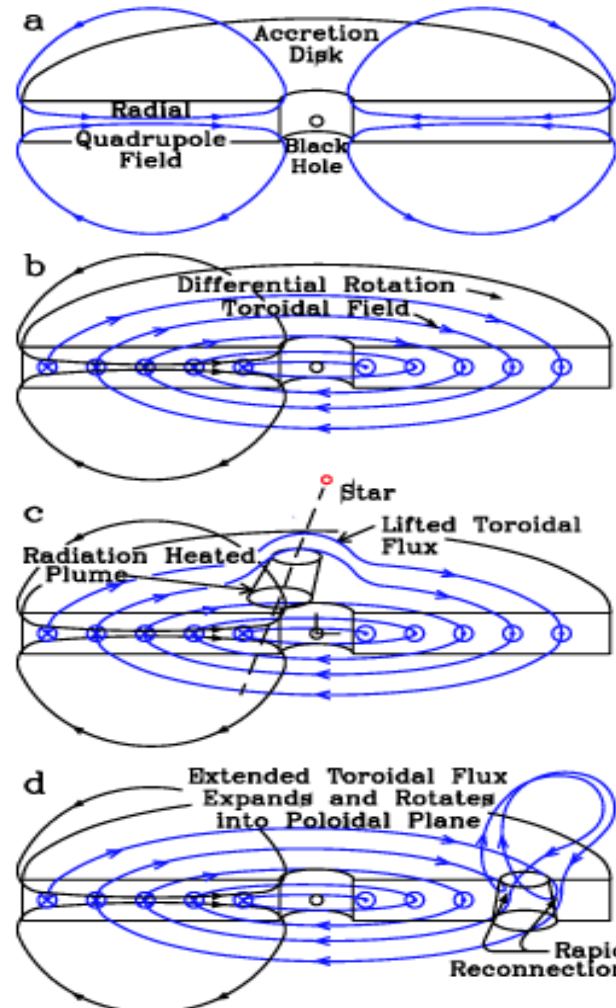
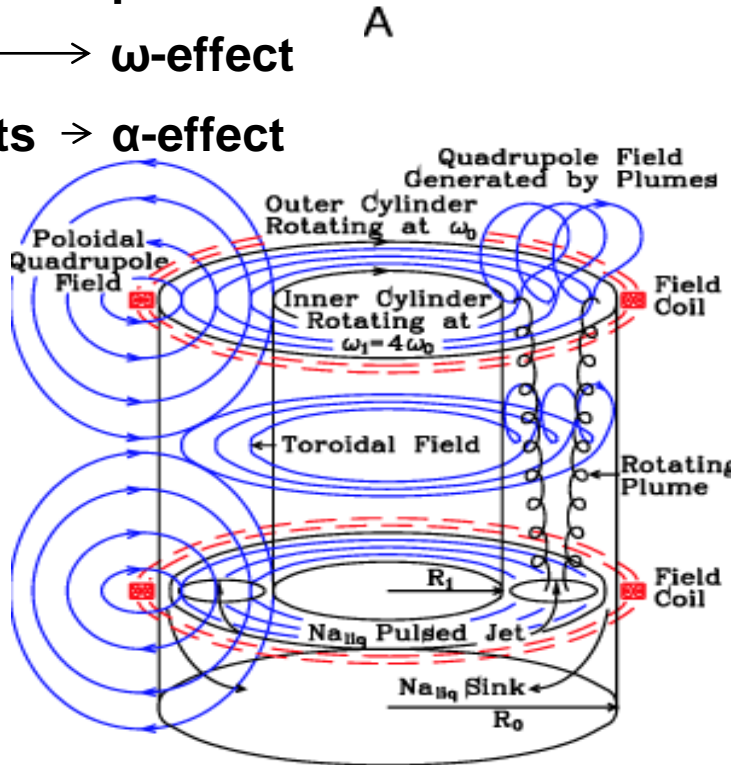
the radio lobes



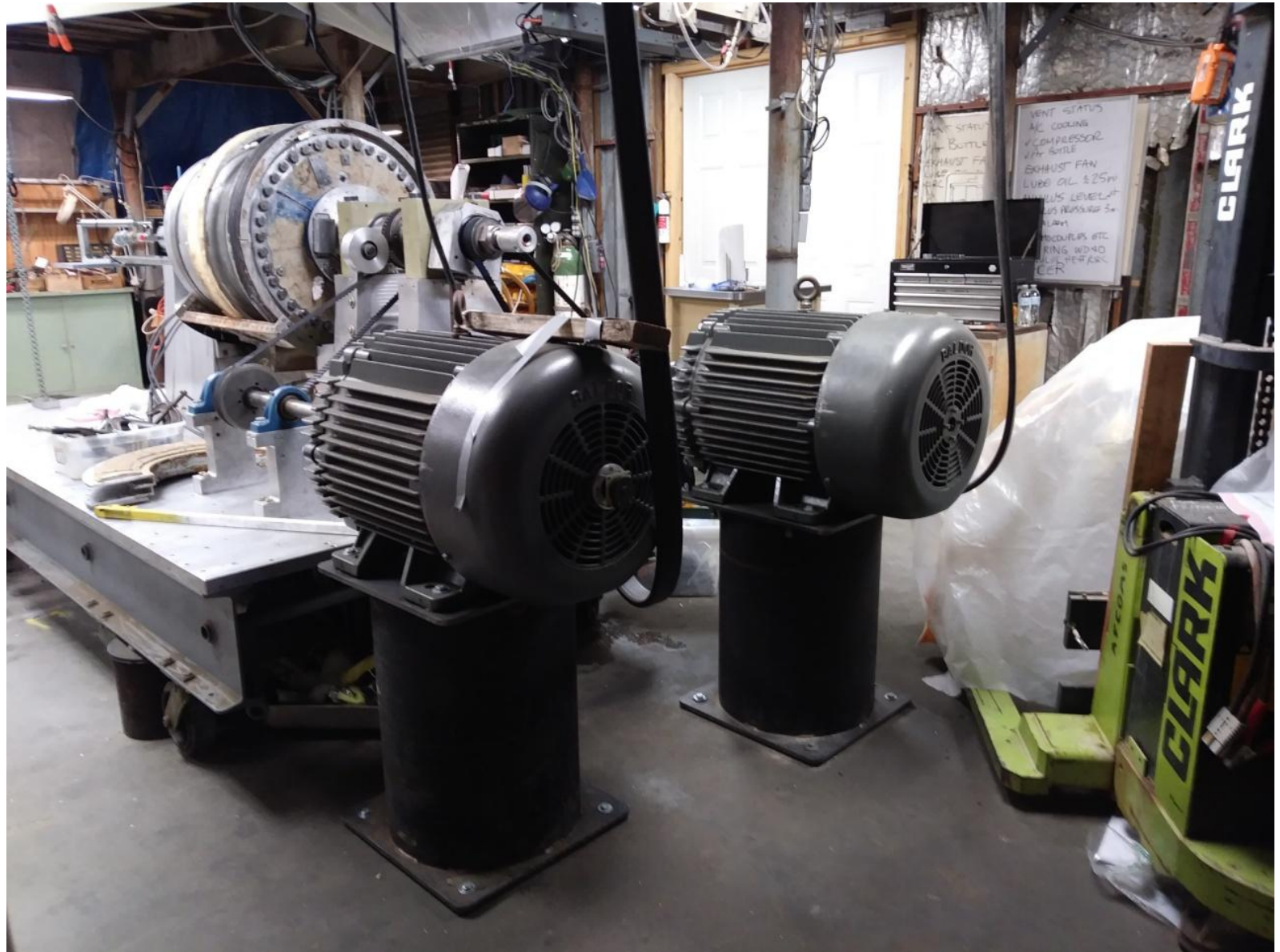
New Mexico Liquid Sodium Experiment is for demonstrating how magnetic field is generated by flowing conducting fluids base on a Star-disk collision model



- Liquid Sodium \longrightarrow plasma
- Taylor-Couette flow \longrightarrow ω -effect
- Plumes created by Jets \rightarrow α -effect



New Mexico Liquid Sodium Dynamo



Key parameters of the NM dynamo experiment

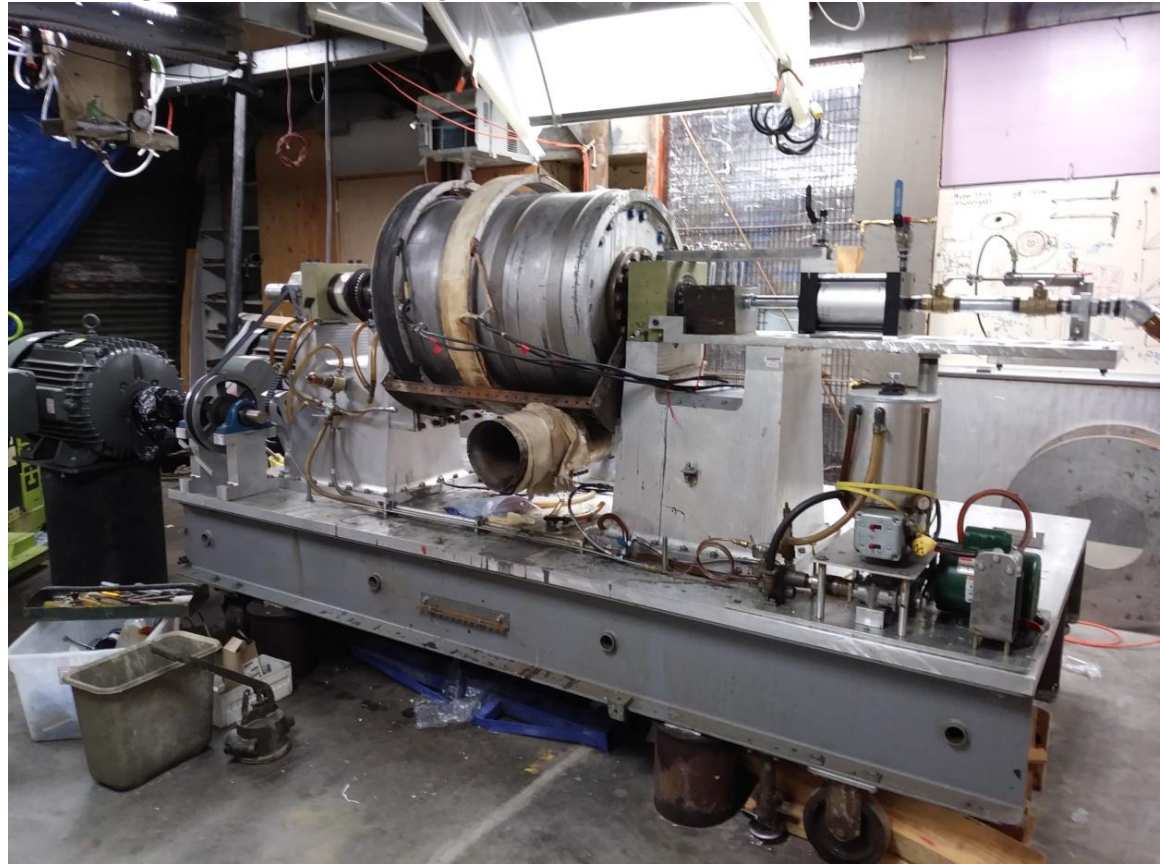
Outer cylinder: 0.6 m
Inner cylinder: 0.3 m
(in diameter)

Working fluid: liquid
sodium.

Speed: 17.5 (inner) & 70
Hz (outer)

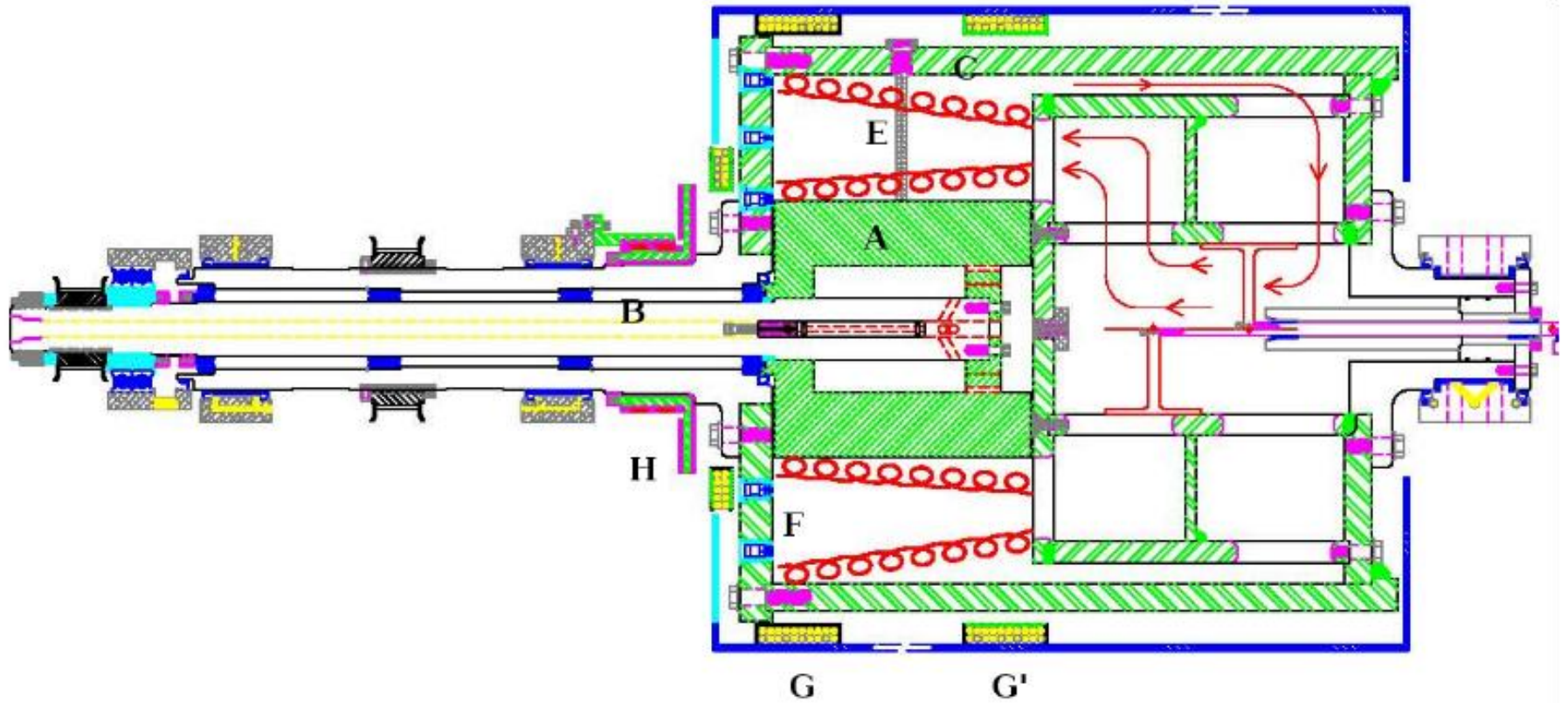
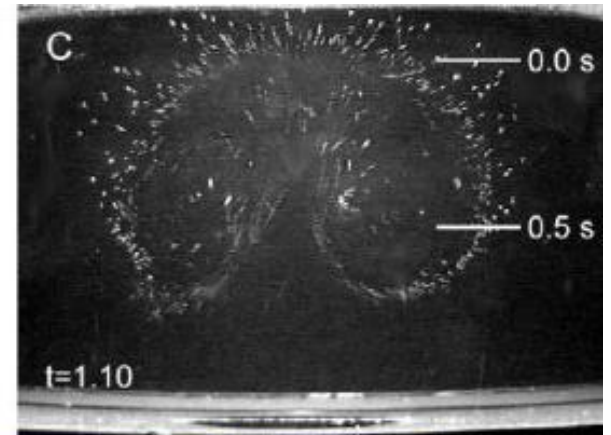
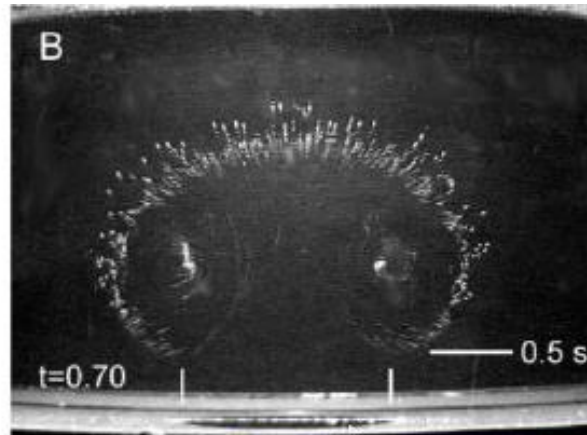
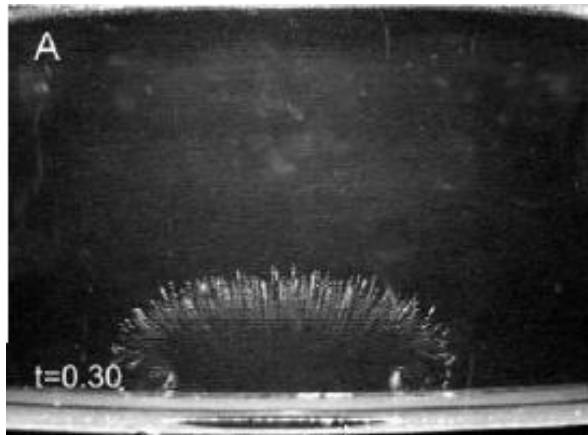
Stable Couette flow, $Re =$
 1.0×10^7 ,

$Rm = 94$ at $T = 110^\circ\text{C}$.

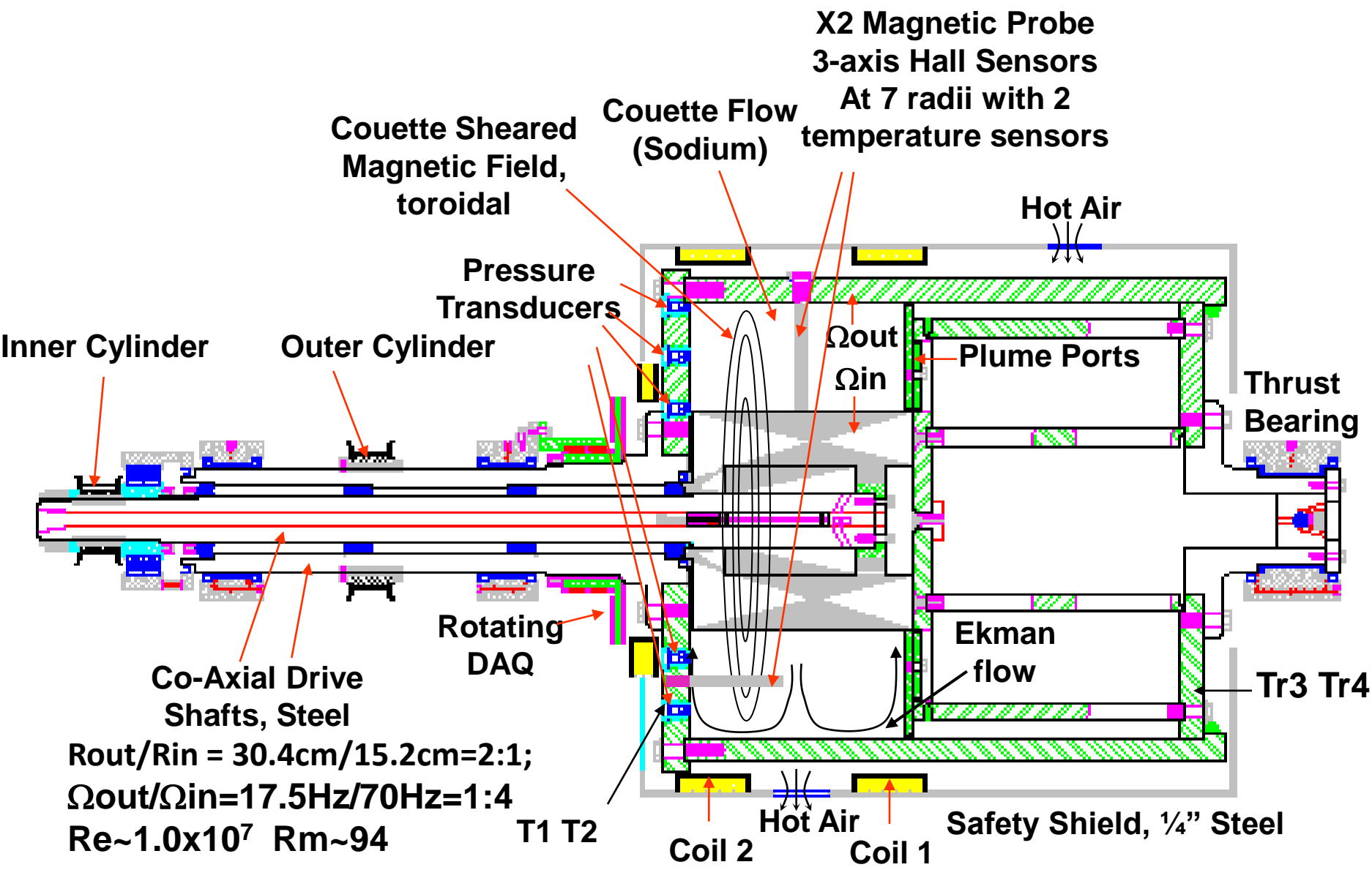


$$Re = (\omega_{in} - \omega_{out})(R_{in} - R_{out})^2 / \nu \quad Rm = (\omega_{in} - \omega_{out})(R_{in} - R_{out})^2 / \eta_m$$

α -phase



Sensors in Rotating Frame



Data Acquisition for rotating frame will use WiFi technique to obtain 160kS/sec overall sampling rate

20VDC in stationary frame



Or

Power module with ± 12 , +5V output



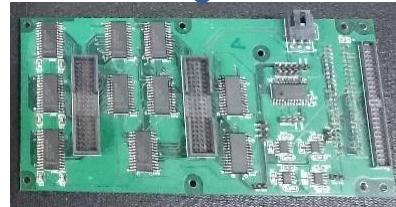
X10 AA Li Battery

Rotating Frame



Interconnection board
~54 magnetic sensors
~8 temperature sensors
~9 pressure sensors
~3 voltage input
~Optocoupler to turn on/off sensors

Mounted on



Multiplexing daughter board
With 80 analog channels

Mounted on



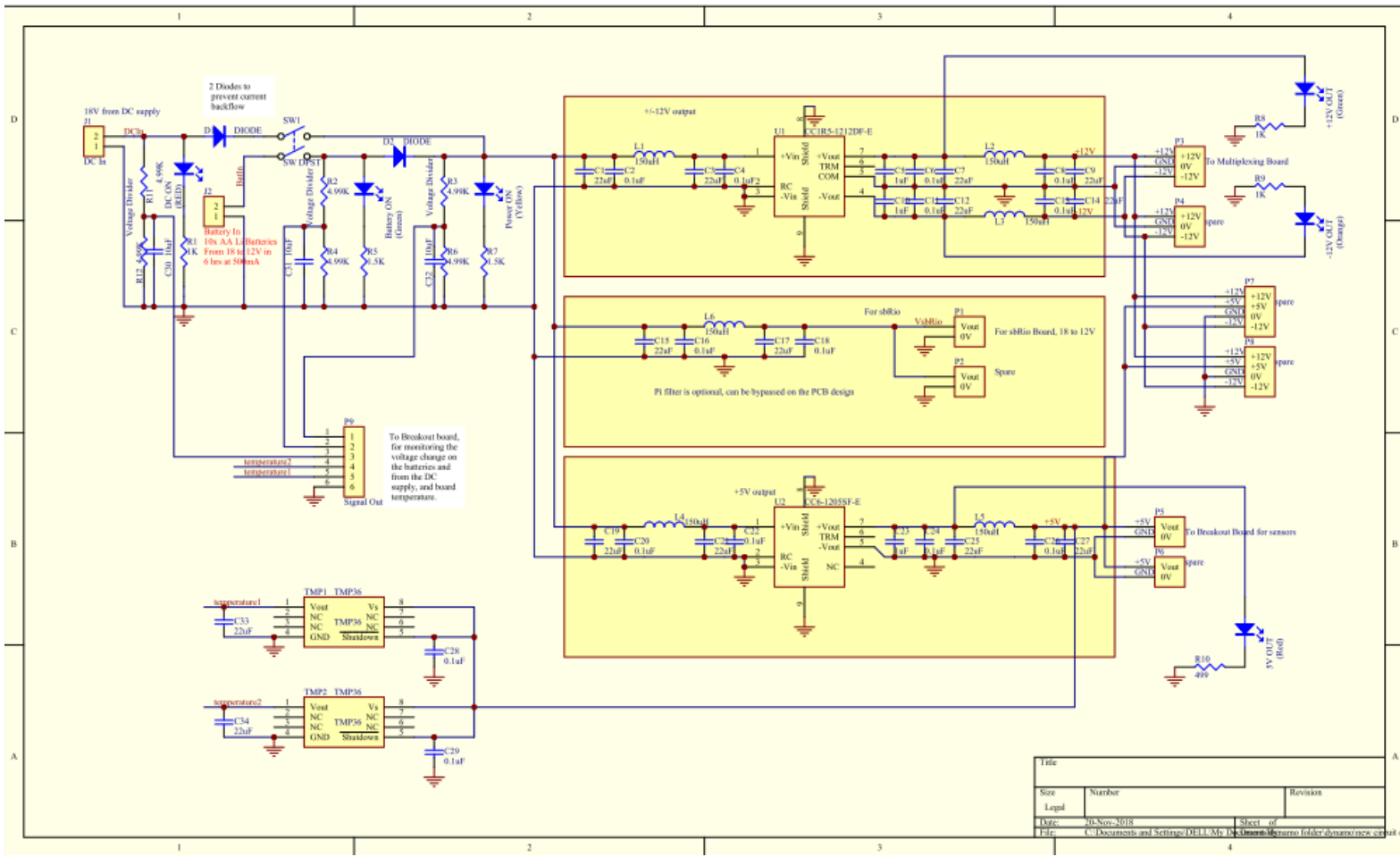
NI sbRio-9637 single board computer
with Real-Time Linux OS

Wifi Module
Transmitting data to
DAQ computer through
Router

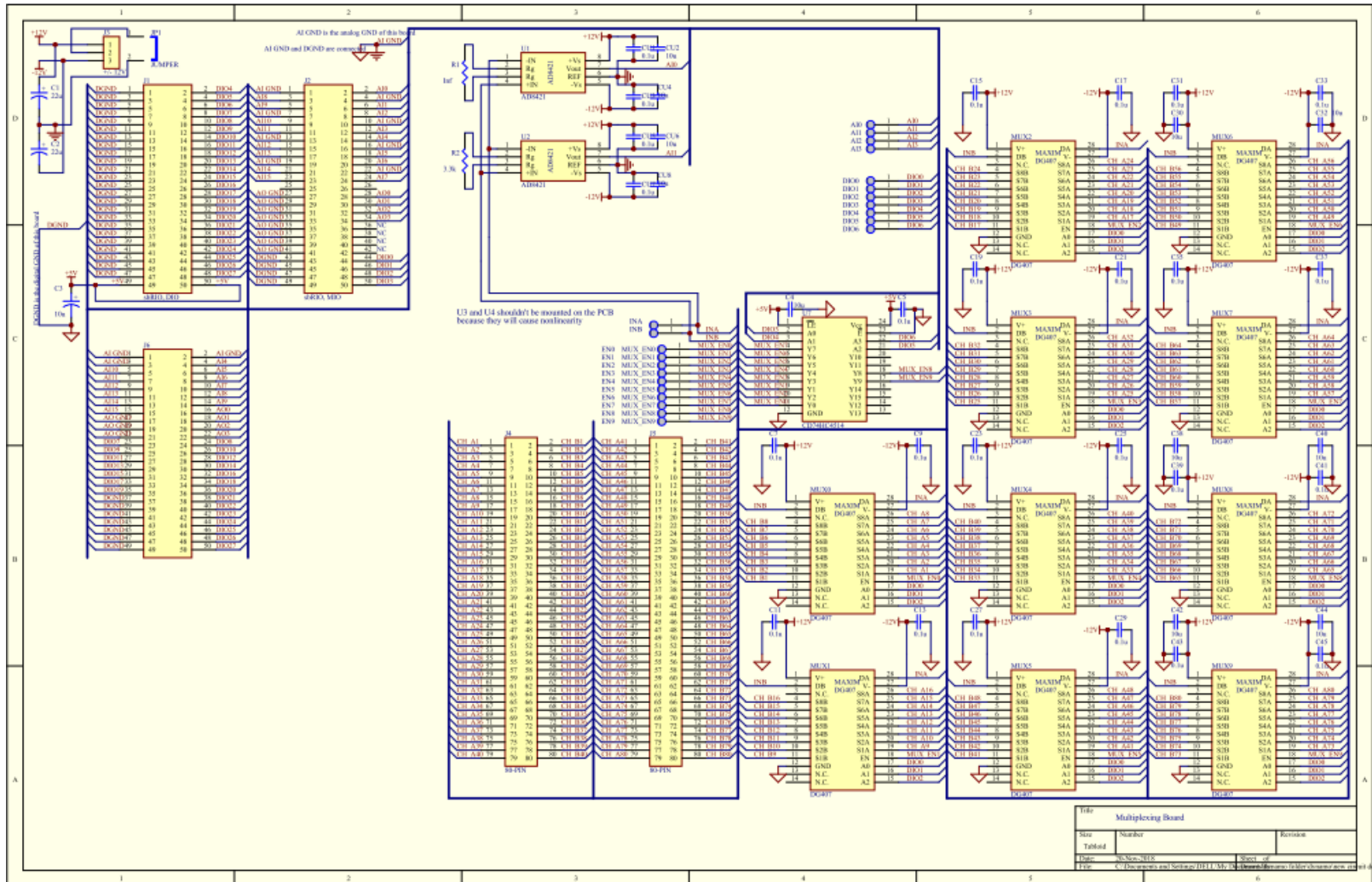
Cables



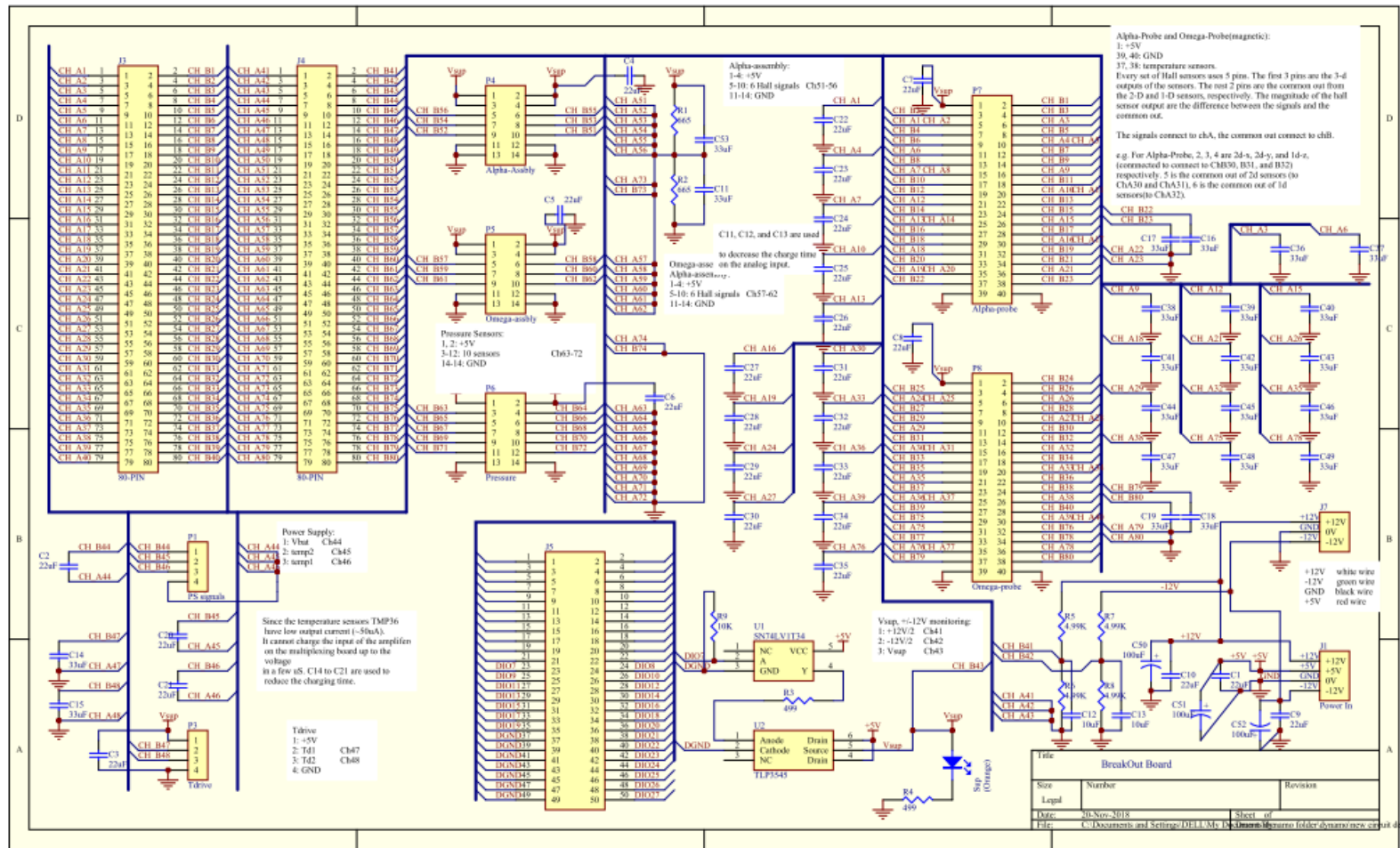
Switch-mode power modules are used to convert voltage of 10xAA Li Battery to +/-12V, +5V for electronics



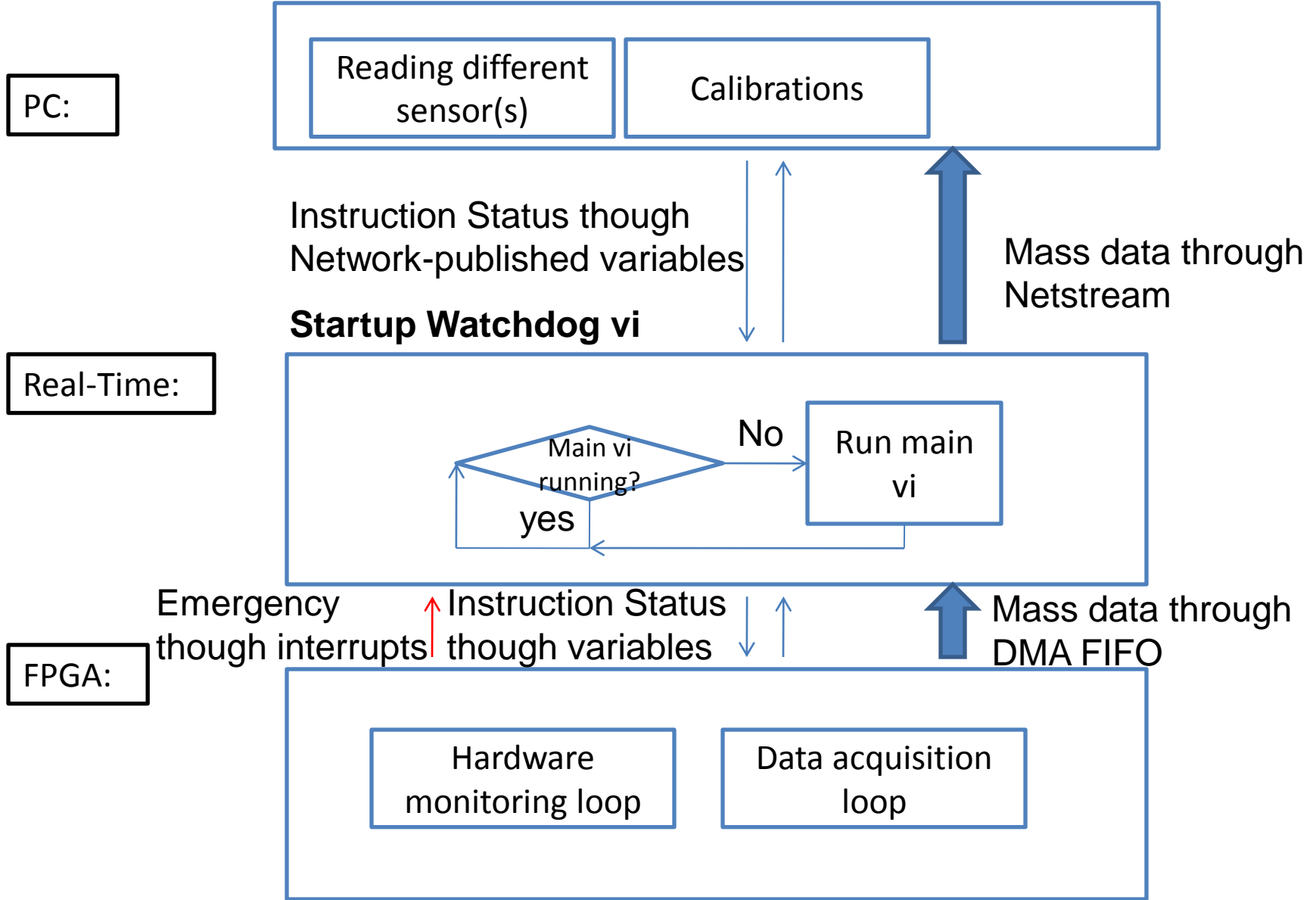
80 channels of analog inputs are multiplexed by a daughter board to the analog input of sbRio single-board computer



An interconnection board provides connectivity to sensors.

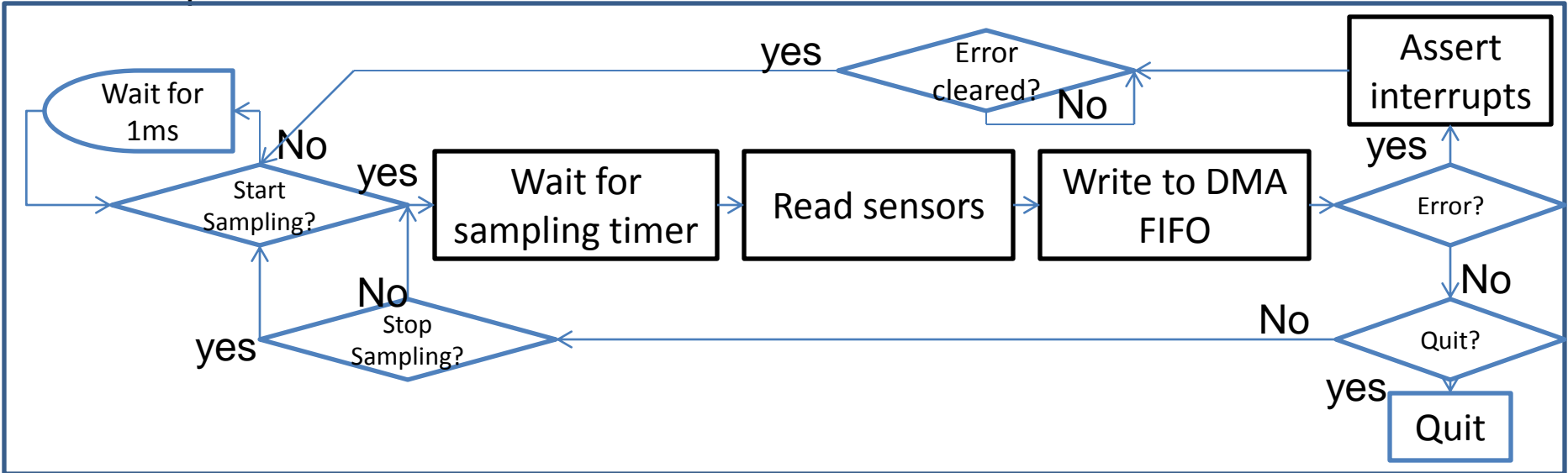


DAQ software is written in NI labview

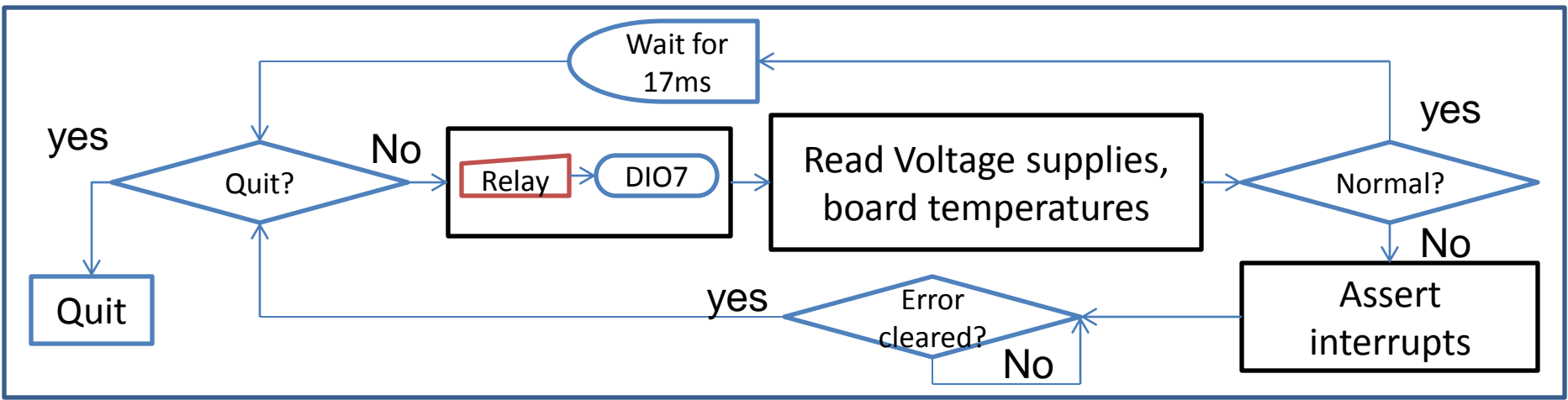


FPGA module

DAQ Loop



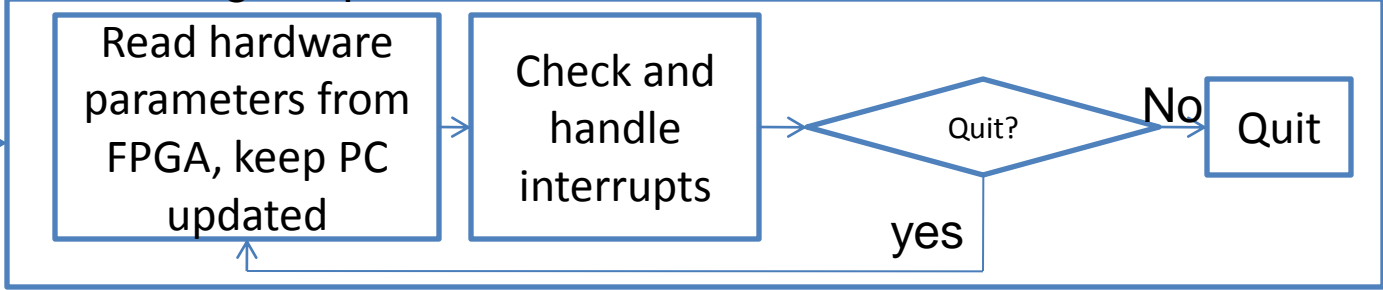
Monitoring Loop



•When any interrupts is asserted, both loops will be suspended until it is cleared by host VI.

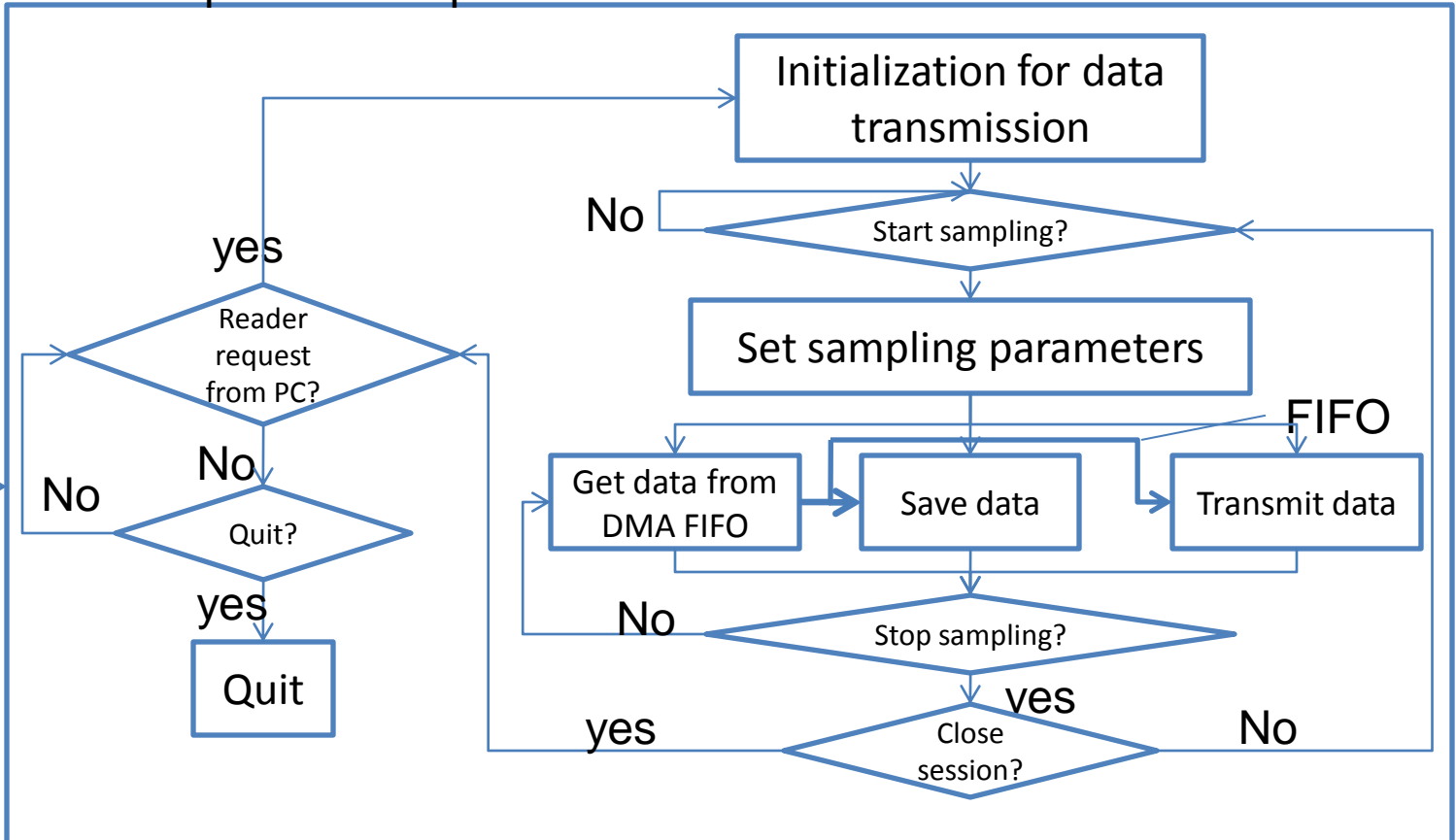
Real-Time DAQ

Monitoring Loop



Data Acquisition Loop

Initialization



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