

High Speed Inductive eRPS Sensor Error Reduction Using COMSOL Multiphysics®

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Outline

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Before starting, who we are... www.simtec solution.fr

SIMTEC : Fundamentals

- French Numerical modelling consultancy
- Leader in France of the COMSOL Certified Consultants, key partner worldwide
- 7 members Eng.D. + Ph.D.
- Main partners:
 - big international companies
 - laboratories
- Involved in the Research projects like EU FP (SHARK, SisAI)/ PhD supervision



I. Background – Motivations – Objectives

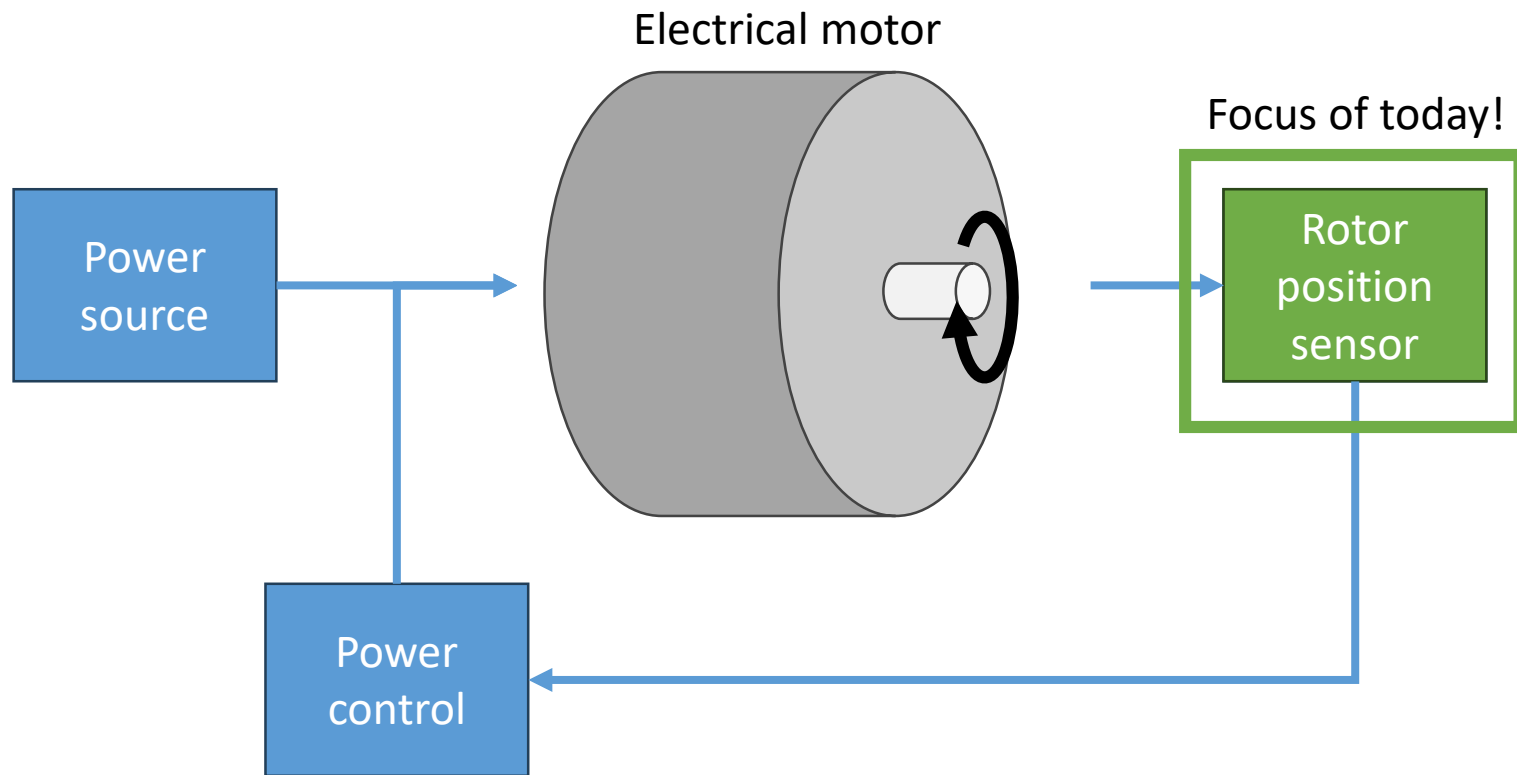
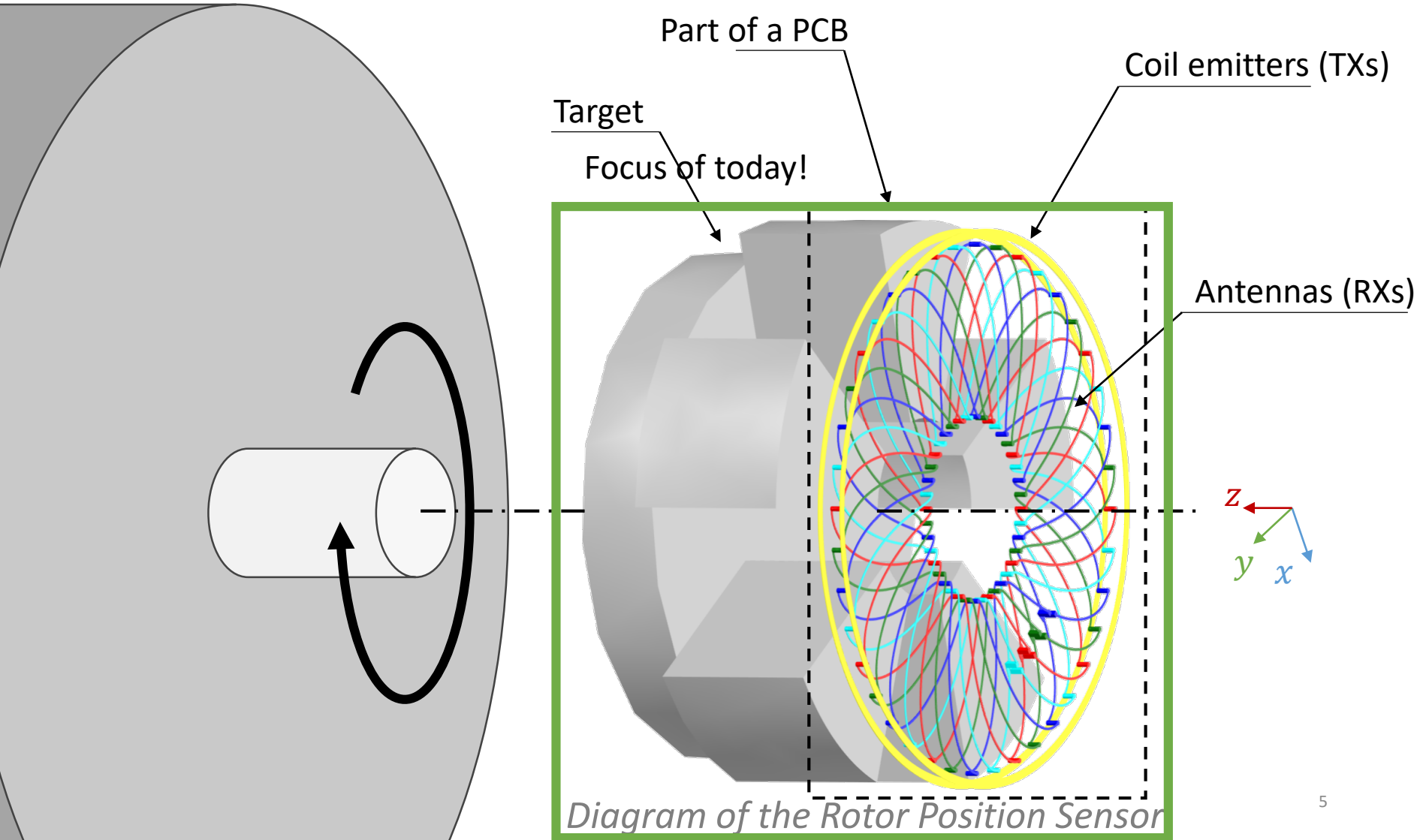


Diagram of an electrical motor and its control loop

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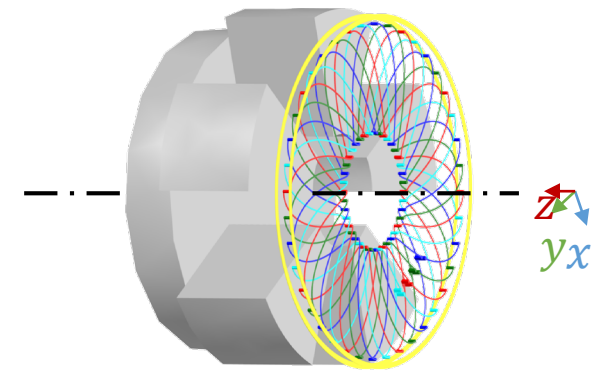
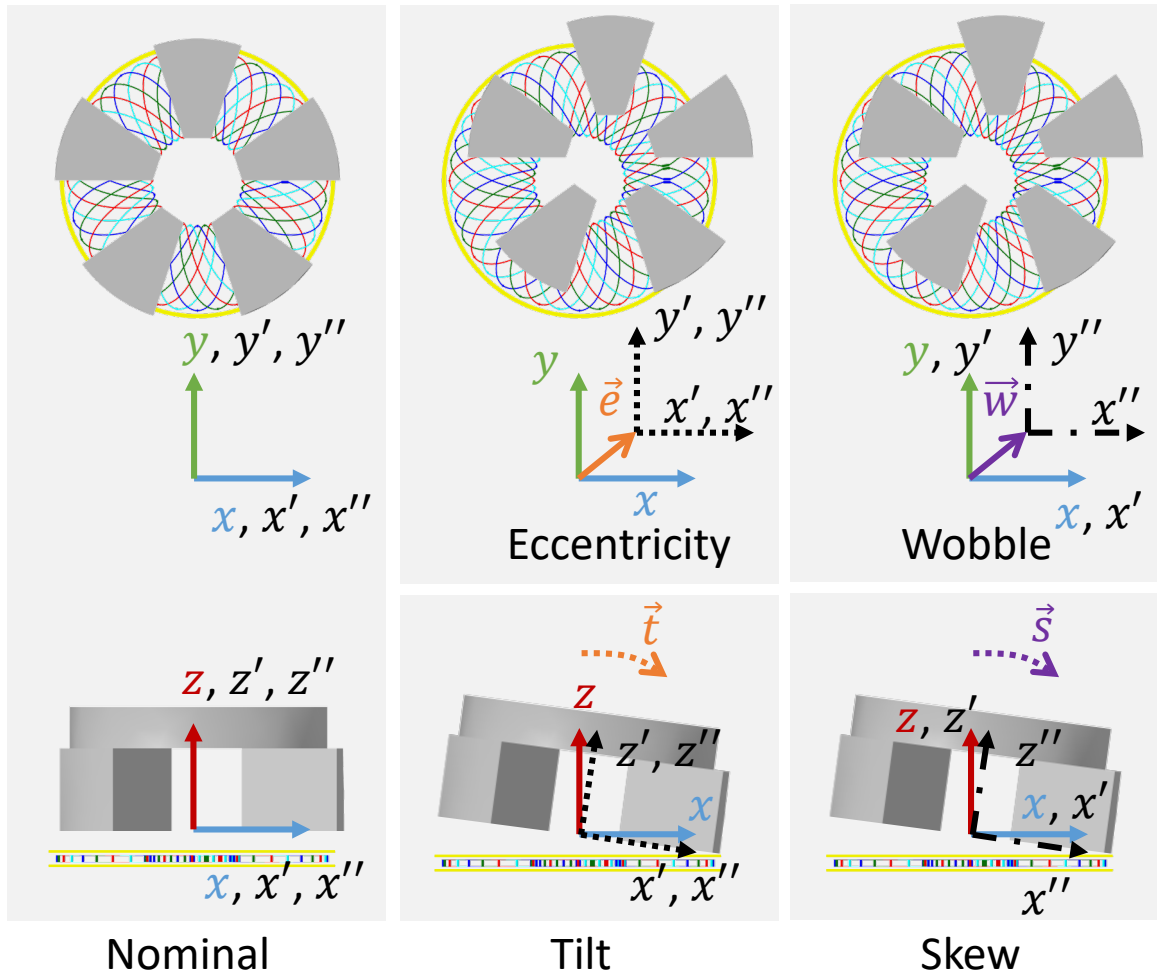
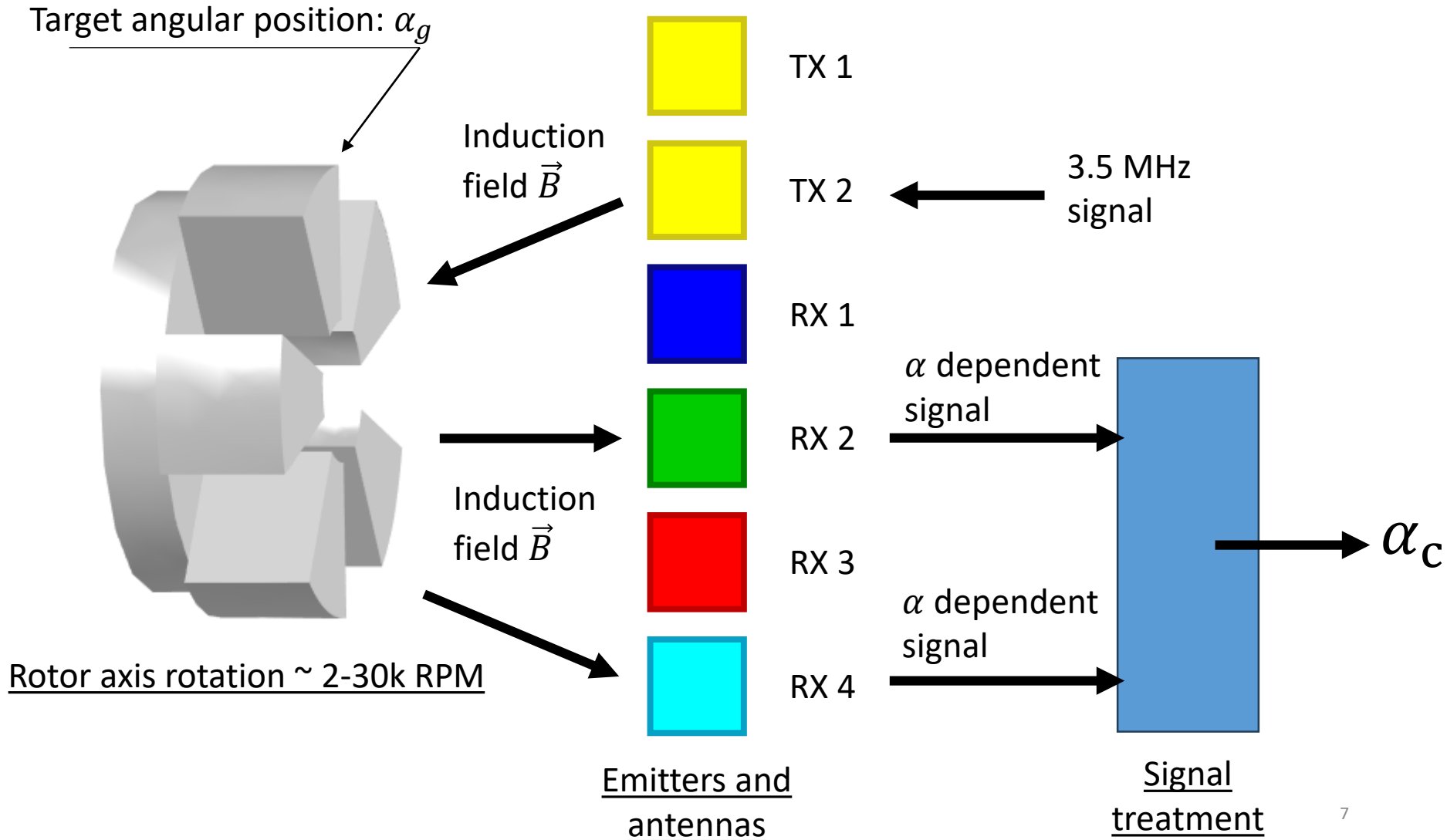


Diagram of the Rotor Position Sensor

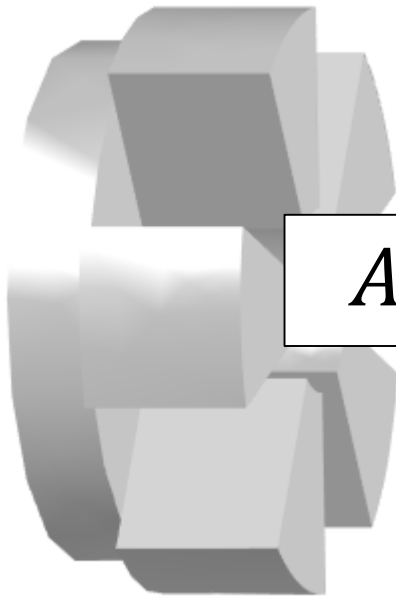
PCB and target alignment configurations

II. Modelling and Numerical Model



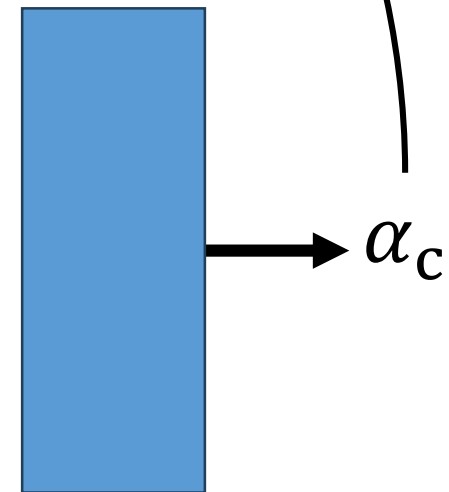
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Target angular position: α_g



$$\text{Angle error} = \alpha_g - \alpha_c$$

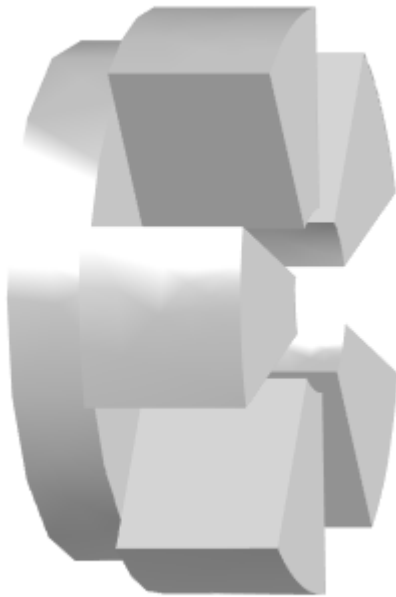
Rotor axis rotation ~ 2-30k RPM



Signal
treatment

II. Modelling and Numerical Model

Rotating domain



Rotor axis rotation ~ 2-30k RPM



TX 1



TX 2



RX 1



RX 2



RX 3



RX 4

Emitters and
antennas

Maxwell equations

Mixed formulation:

- Maxwell Ampère (Mag. Vec. Pot.)
- Maxwell Flux (Mag. Scalar. Pot.)

Excel post-treatment



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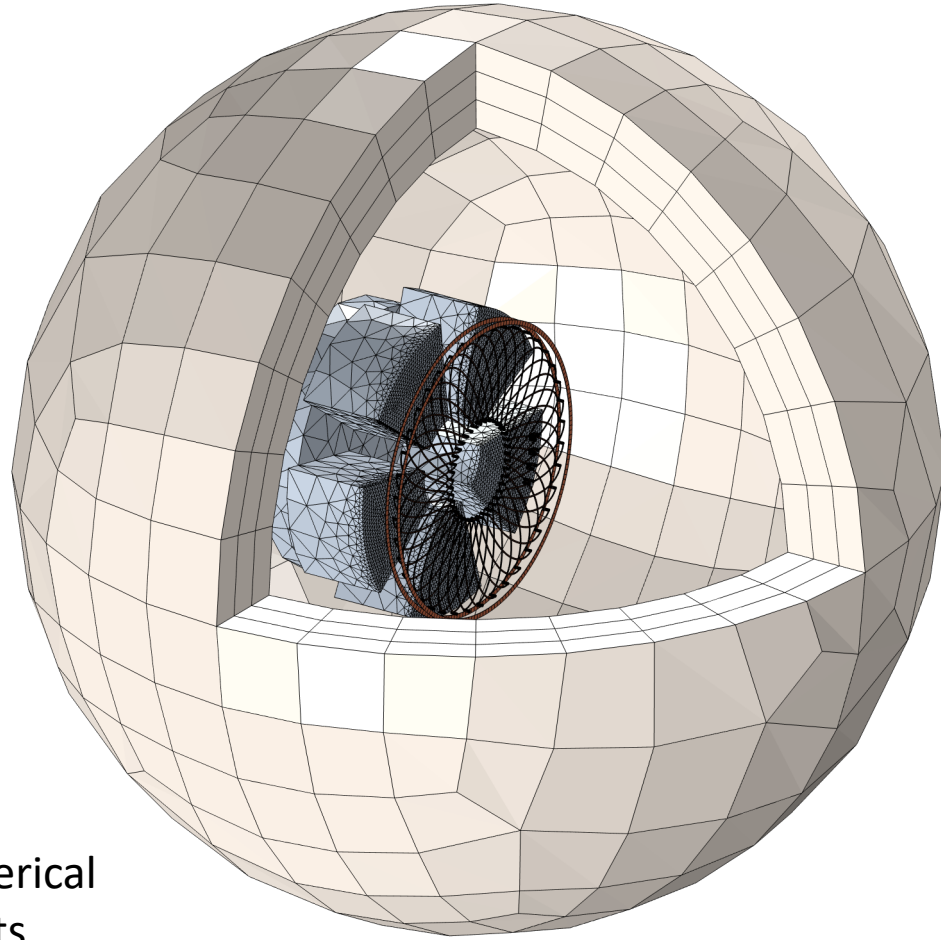
CONTINENTAL test bench

Experimental results



Comparison!

Numerical results

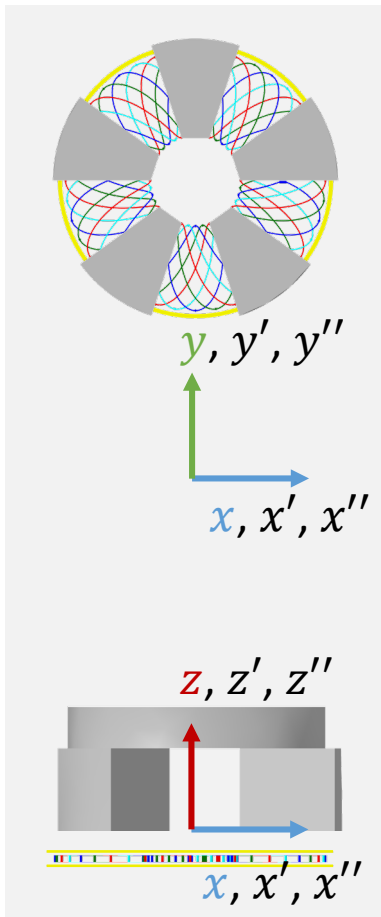


Mesh used for solving

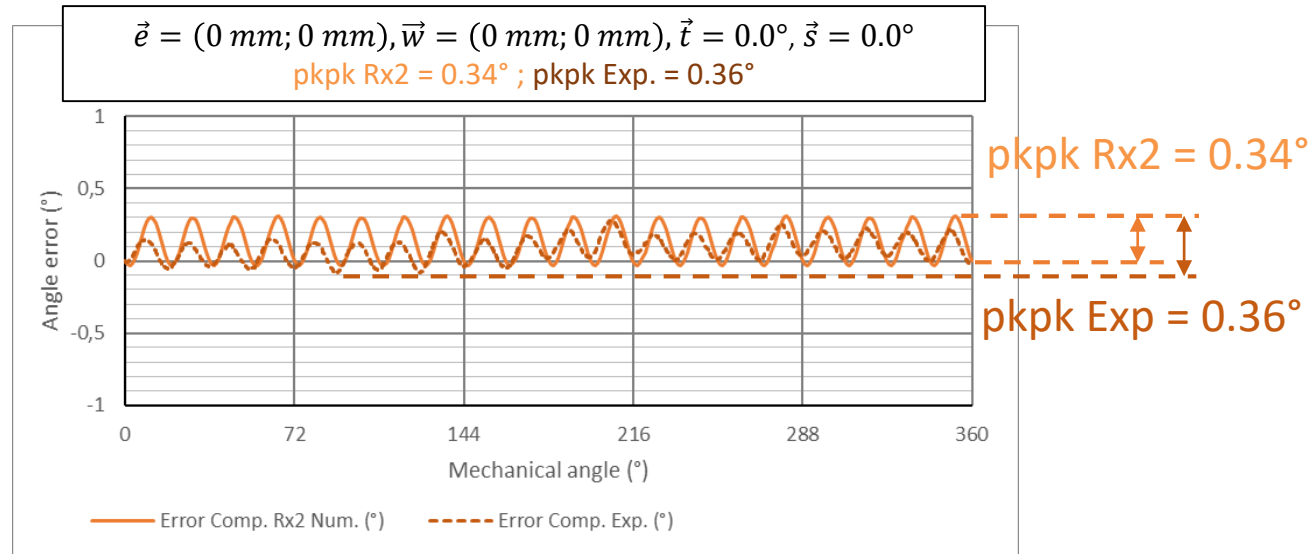
(3.3 M-elements, 50 Go RAM, 15h on 4 processors)

III. Main Results

$$\text{Angle error} = \alpha_g - \alpha_c$$



Nominal

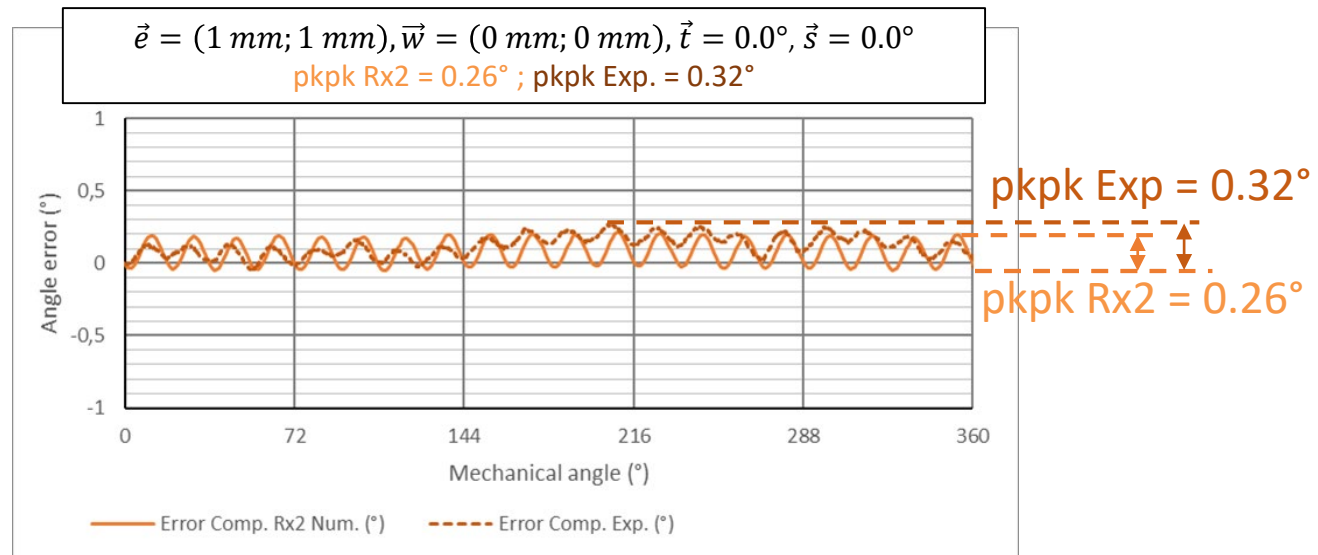
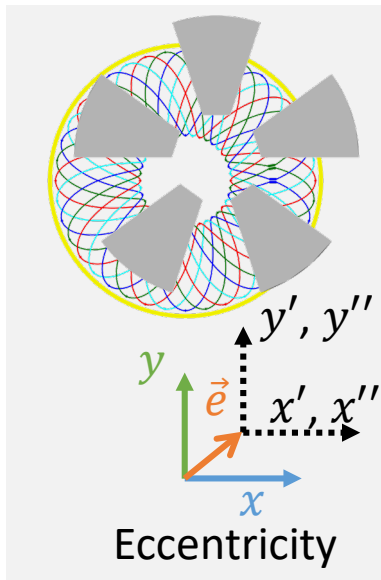


Angle error in **nominal** configuration

→ Very high precision!

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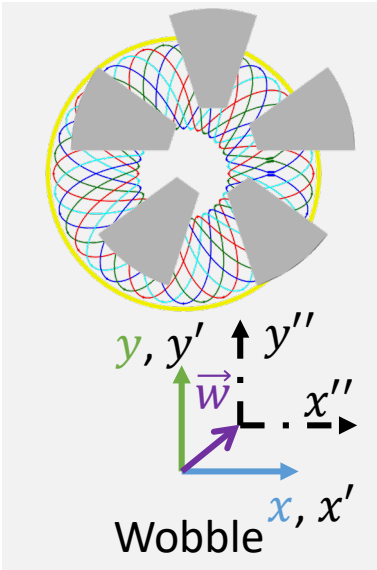
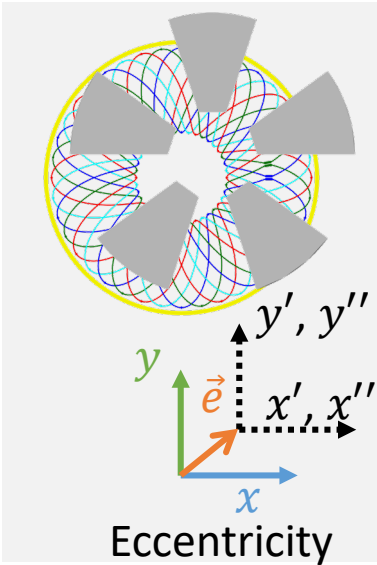


Angle error in **eccentricity** configuration

→ Very high precision!

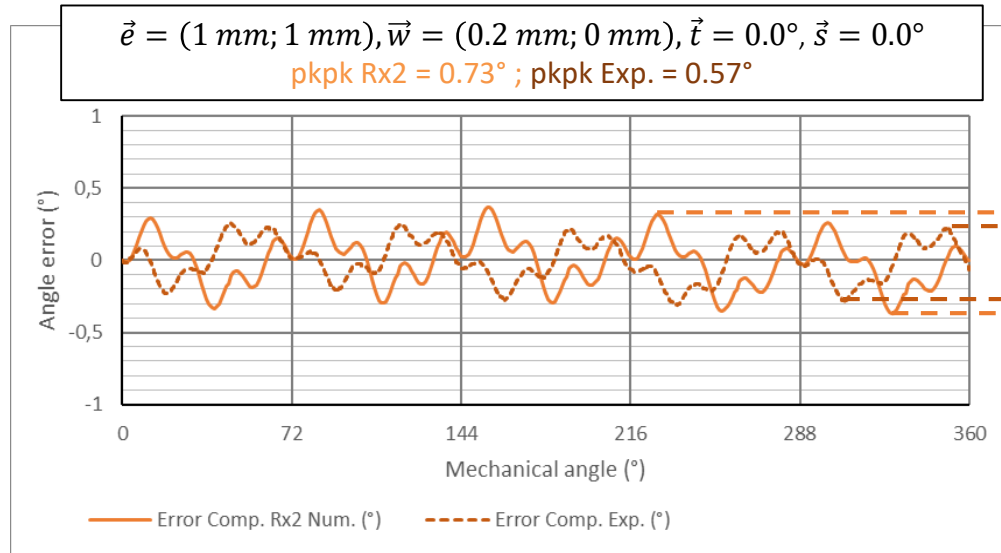
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$$\text{Angle error} = \alpha_g - \alpha_c$$



$$\vec{e} = (1 \text{ mm}; 1 \text{ mm}), \vec{w} = (0.2 \text{ mm}; 0 \text{ mm}), \vec{t} = 0.0^\circ, \vec{s} = 0.0^\circ$$

pkpk Rx2 = 0.73° ; pkpk Exp. = 0.57°

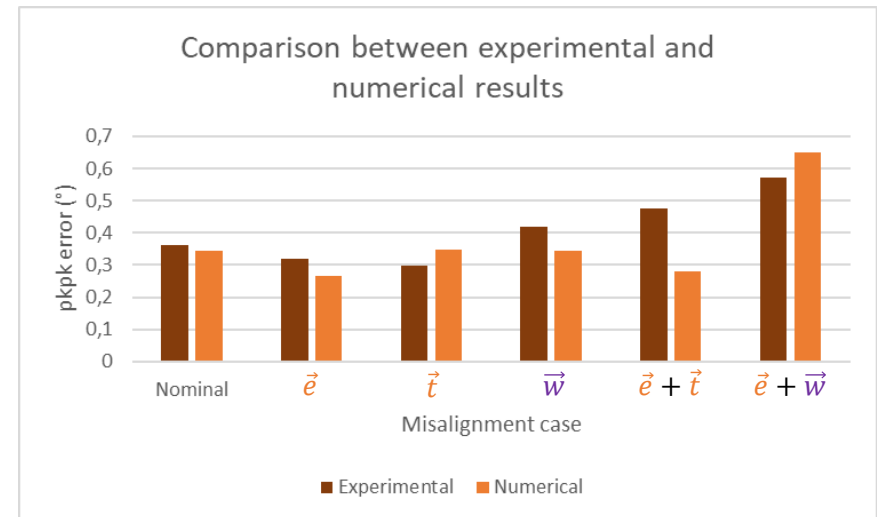


Angle error in **eccentricity + wobble** configuration

→ Very high precision!

IV. Conclusions - Perspectives

- COMSOL Electromagnetism model developed:
 - Maxwell equations (Vector magnetic potential + Scalar magnetic potential)
 - Rotating domain
 - Fine geometrical details
 - Demanding mesh requirements
 - High solver precision
- Experimental measurements performed
- Successful Numerical-Experimental comparison
 - New design numerical testing abilities: physics-based decision support!
 - Selection of the best designs



To finish...

Thank you!

Q&A?

Our question: What about a coffee
to discuss your topic? 😊



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