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The Brazilian Spherical Detector: Progress & Plans

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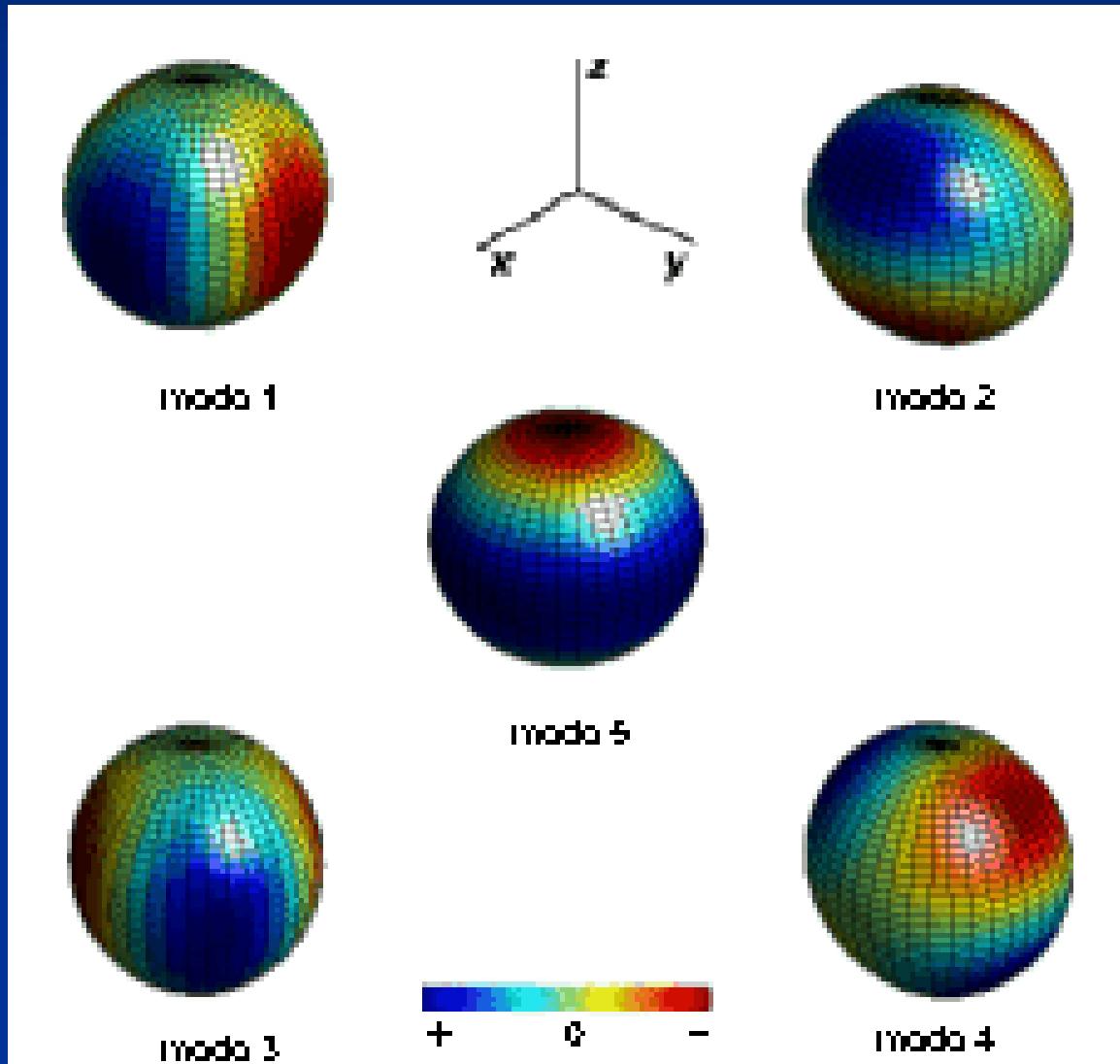
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Antenna quadrupole modes



From the output of 6 transducers
tuned to the antenna quadrupole modes

$$\Psi(\theta, \phi, \omega) = \sum_i^5 a_i(\omega) \Psi_i(\theta, \phi)$$

i ↴ 5

spherical harmonics

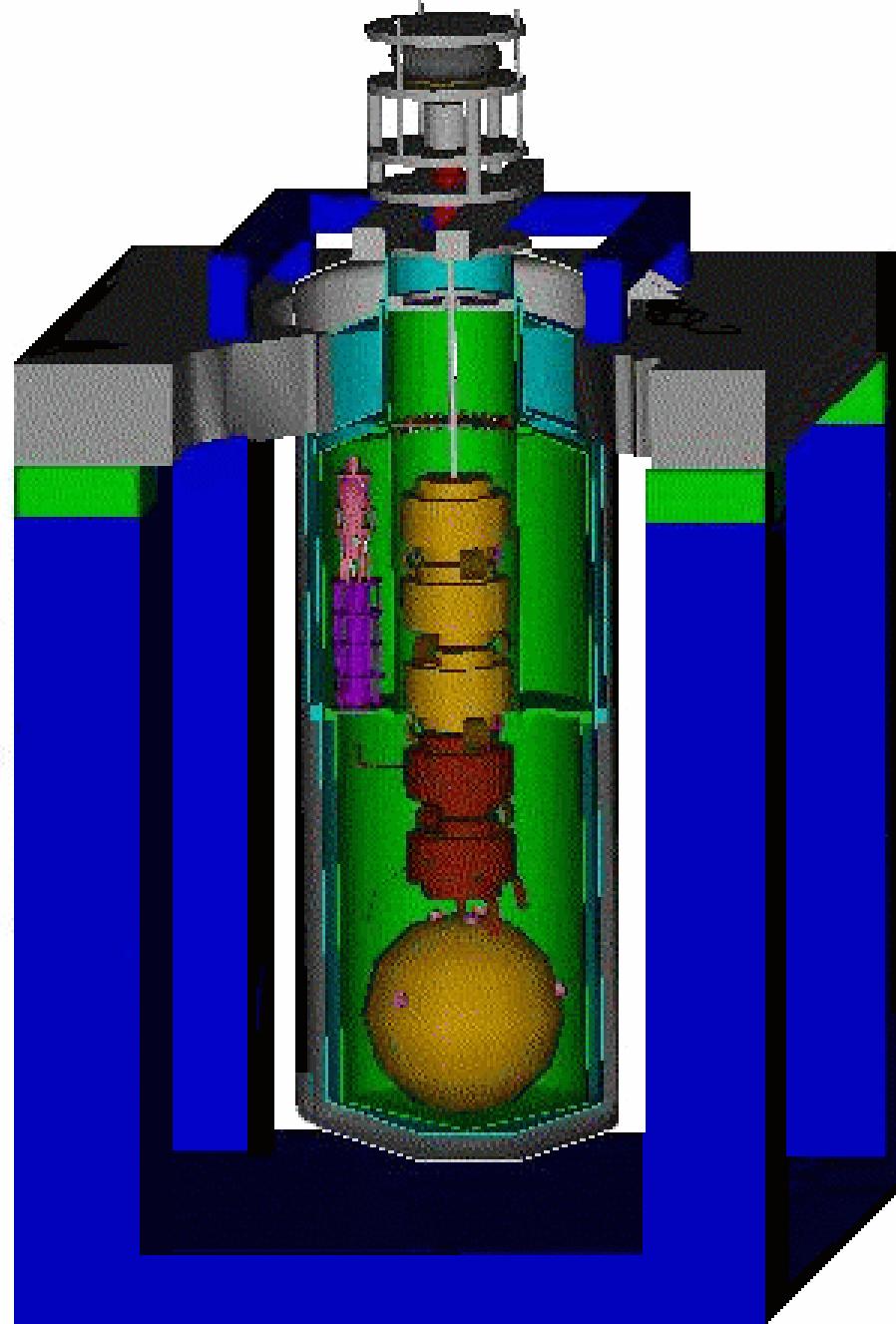
$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$$

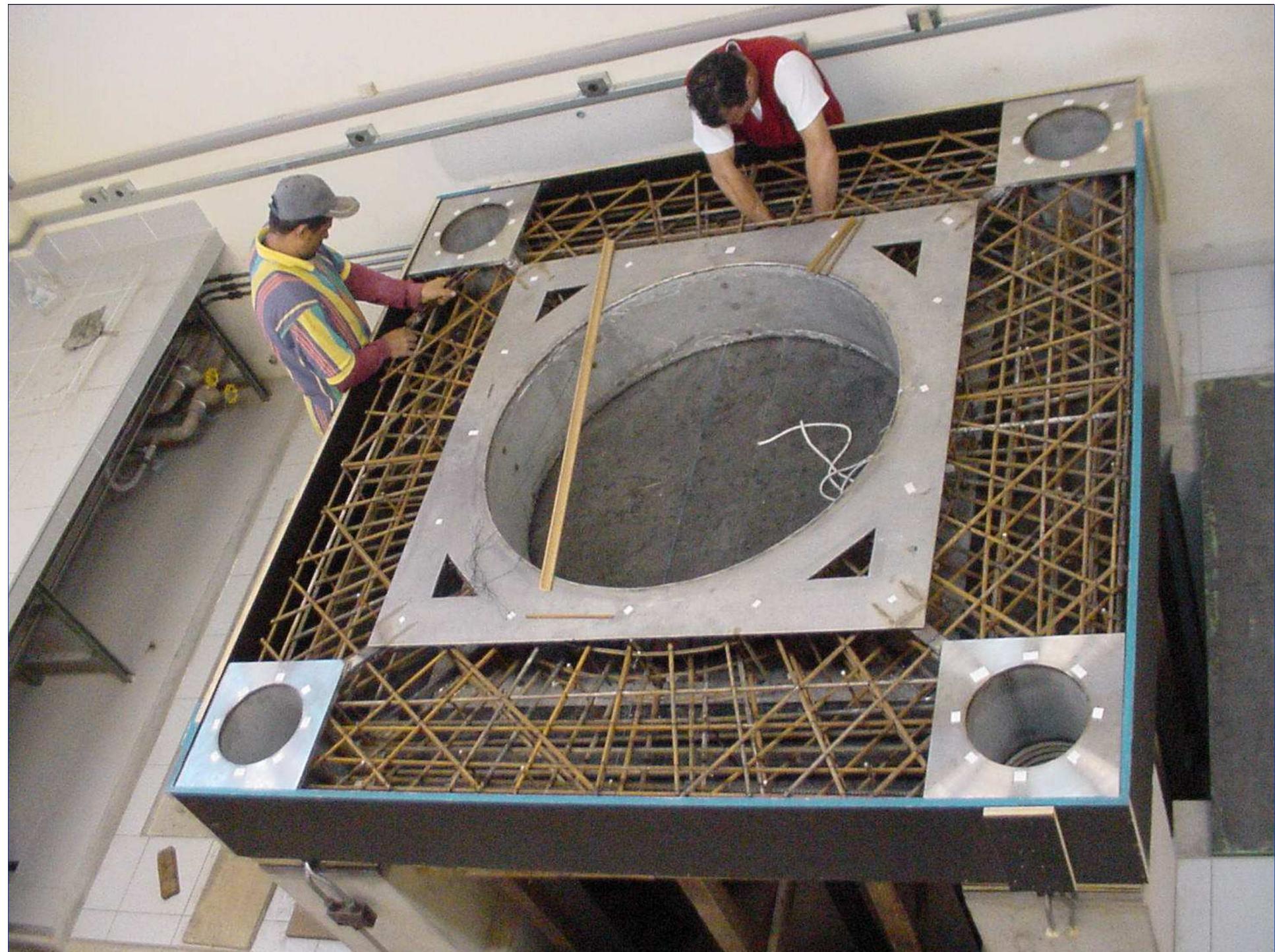
$$h_{xx} + h_{yy} + h_{zz} = 0$$

$$h = \begin{bmatrix} h_{xx} & h_{xy} & h_{xz} \\ h_{yx} & h_{yy} & h_{yz} \\ h_{zx} & h_{zy} & h_{zz} \end{bmatrix}$$

5 independent components











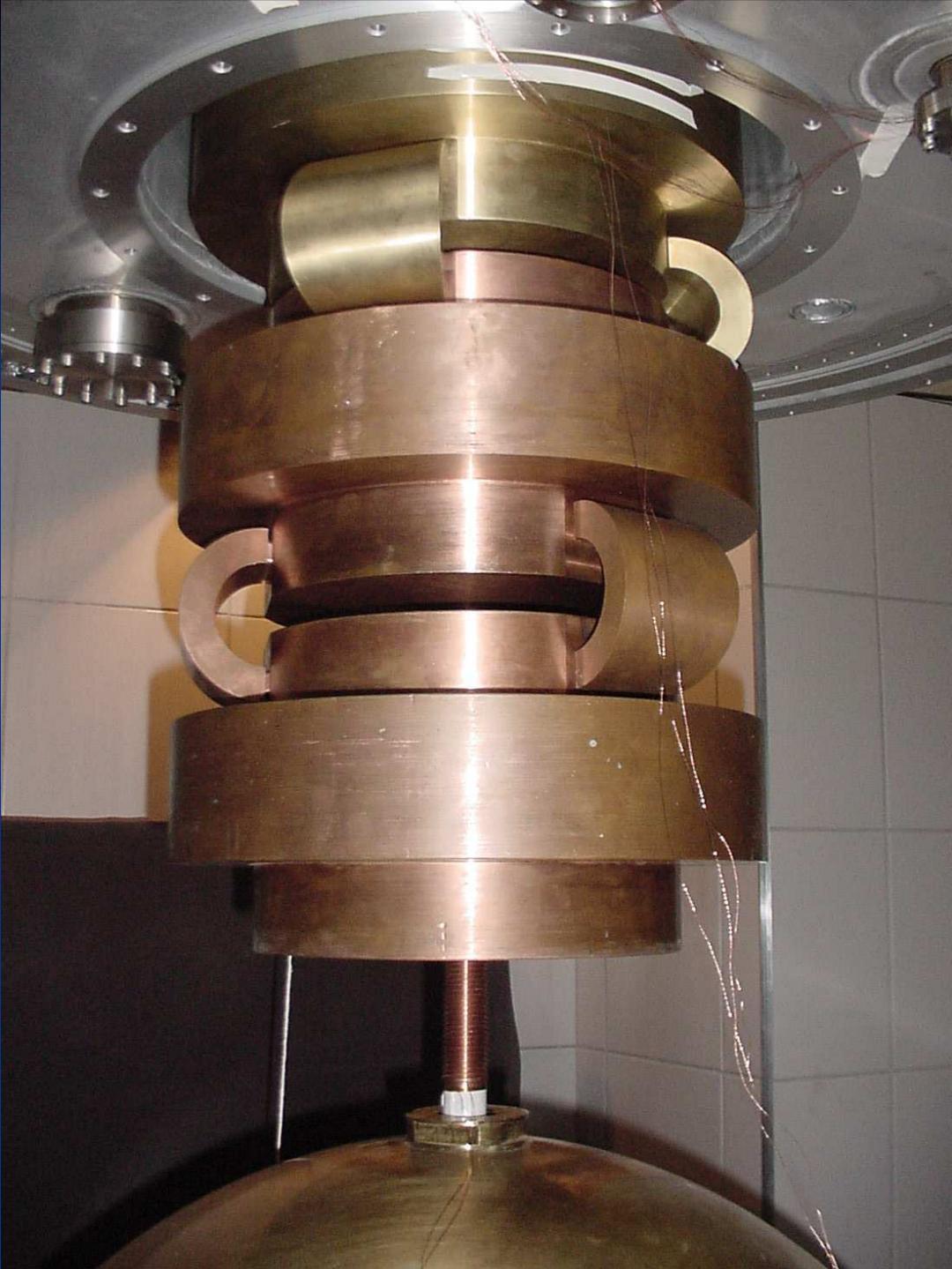




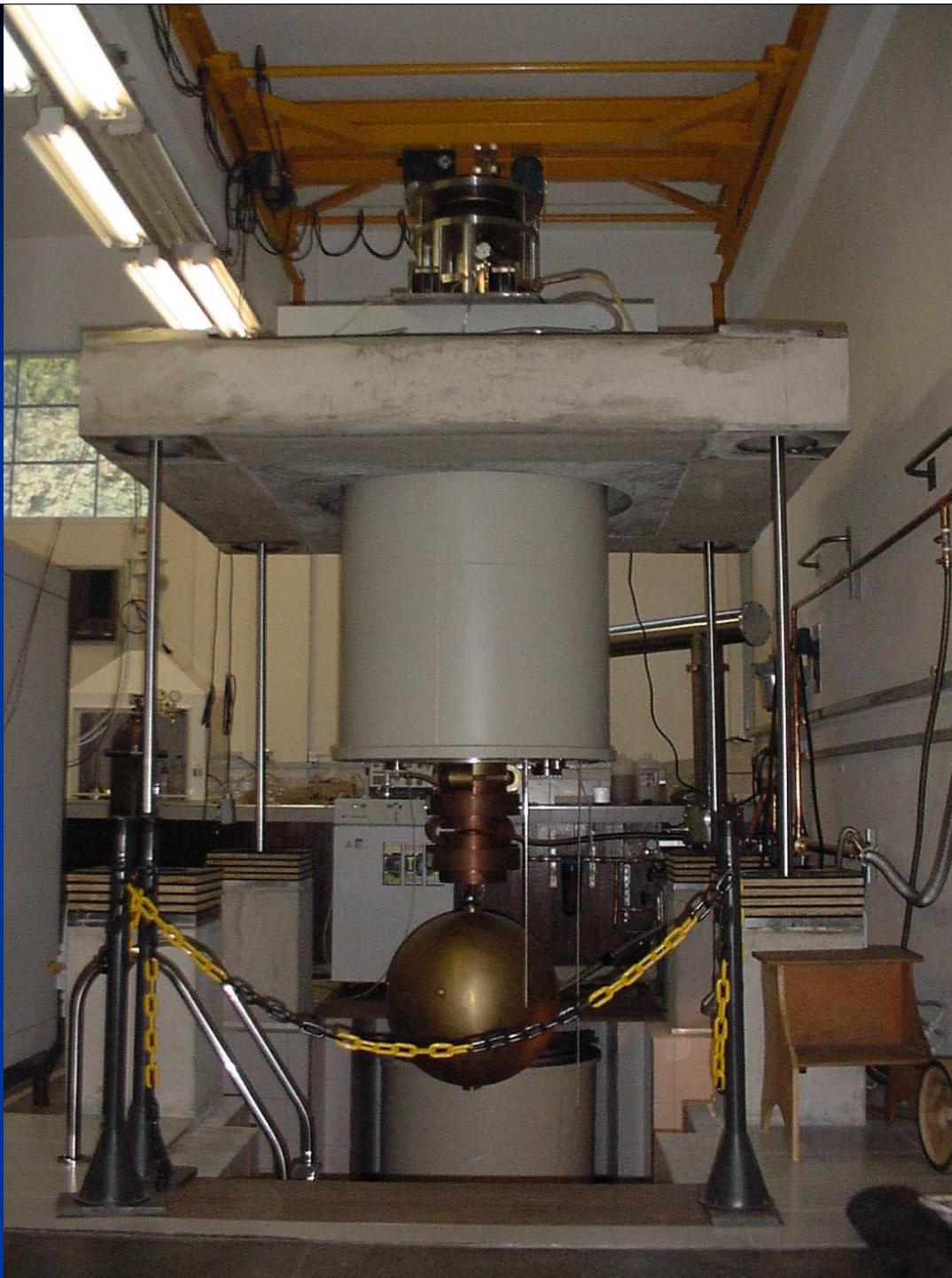






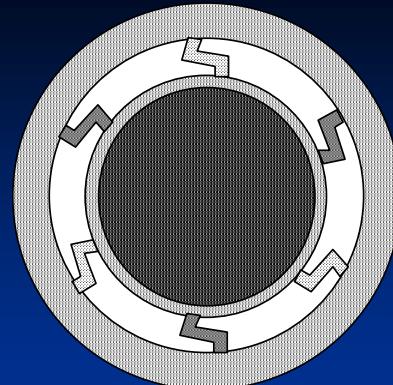






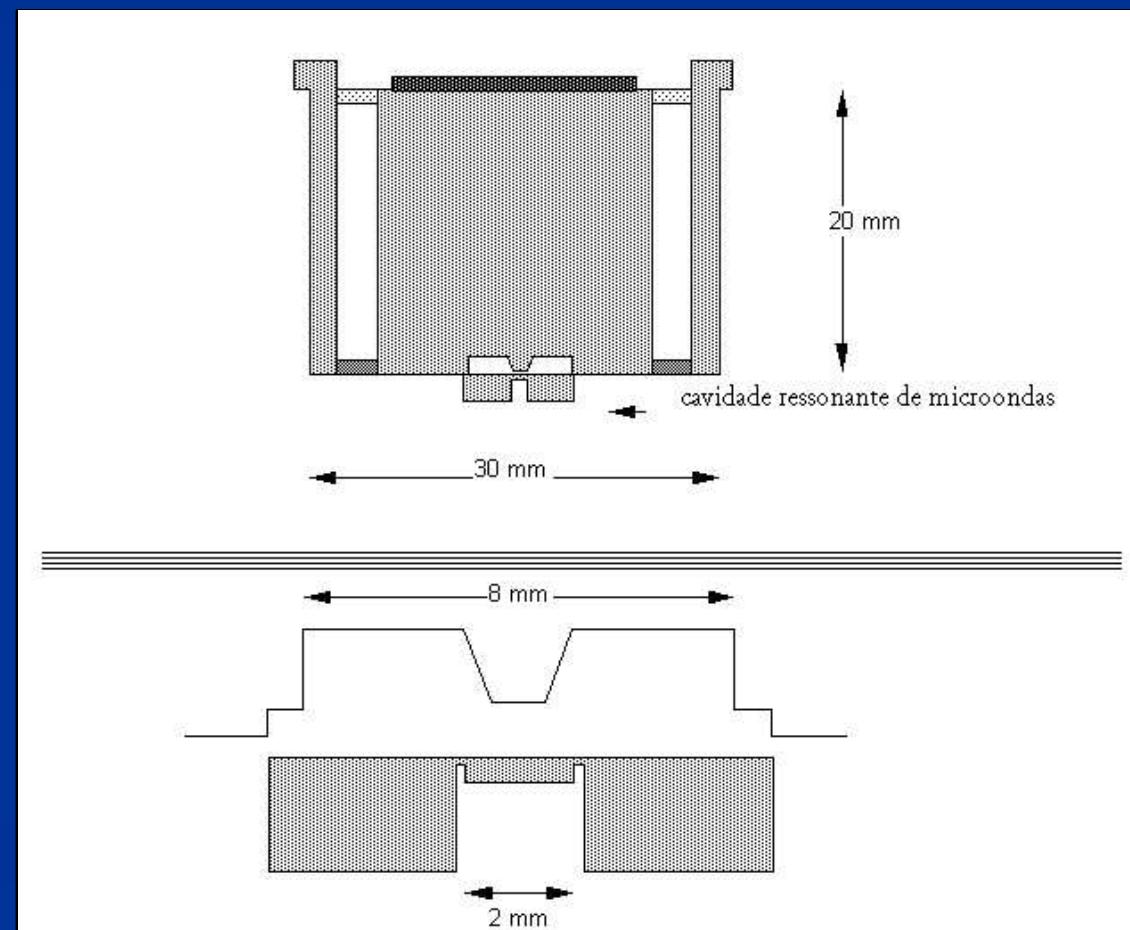


- Non-contactin (microstrips)
2 → 6 parametric transducers

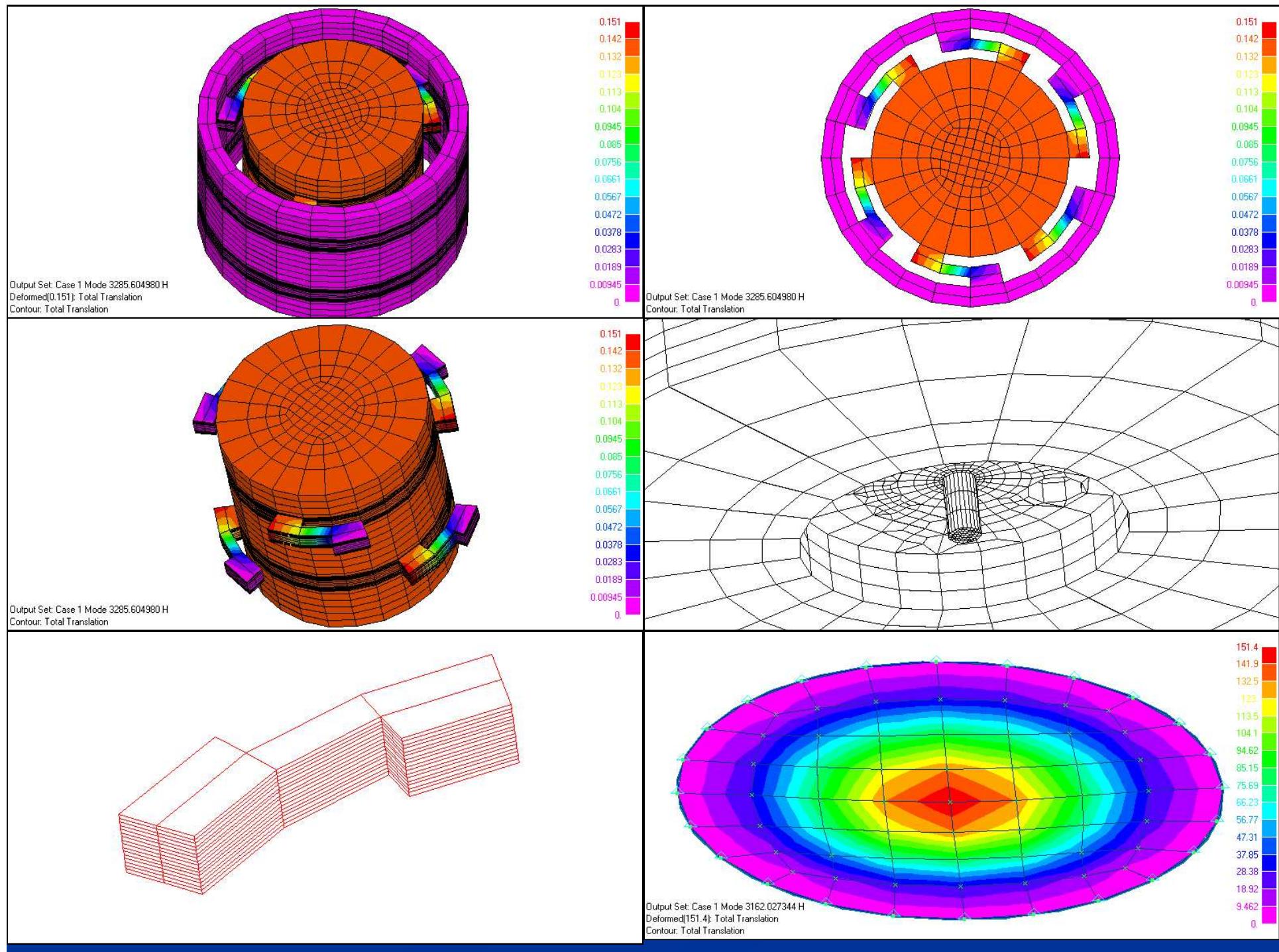


- 2-mode CuAl6% resonators
(53 g and 10 mg)

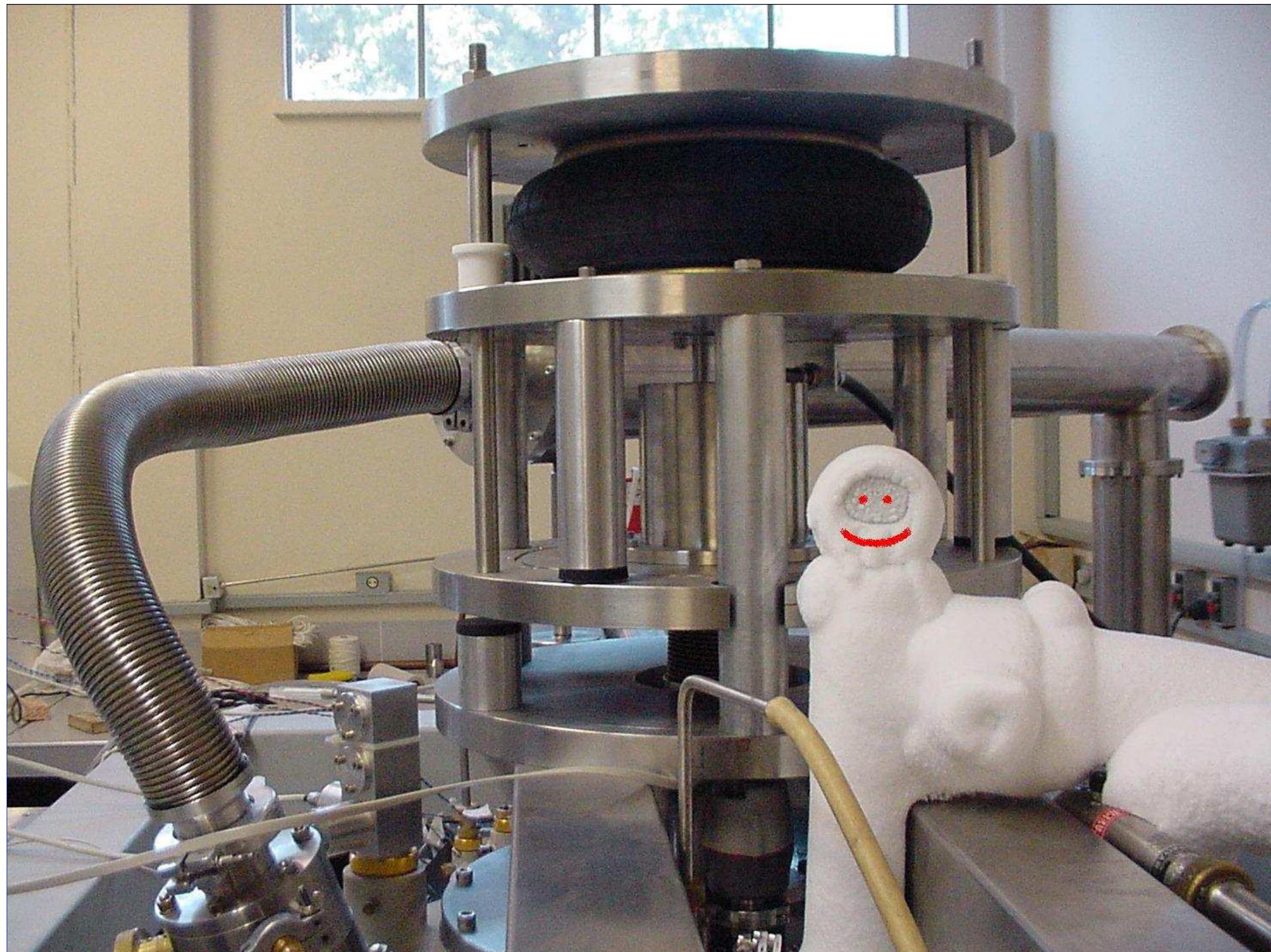
- closed reentrant cavity
pumped at ~10 GHz
($Q_e = 1k \rightarrow 30$ million)



- HEMTs pre-amplifiers
($T_n \sim 10K \sim 14\text{ K}$)

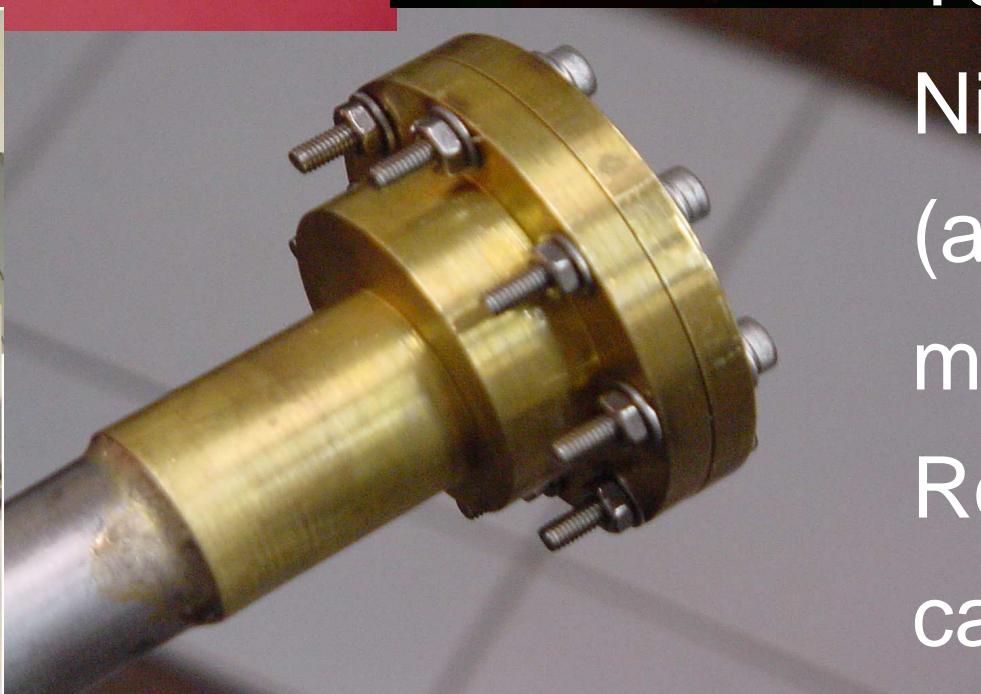
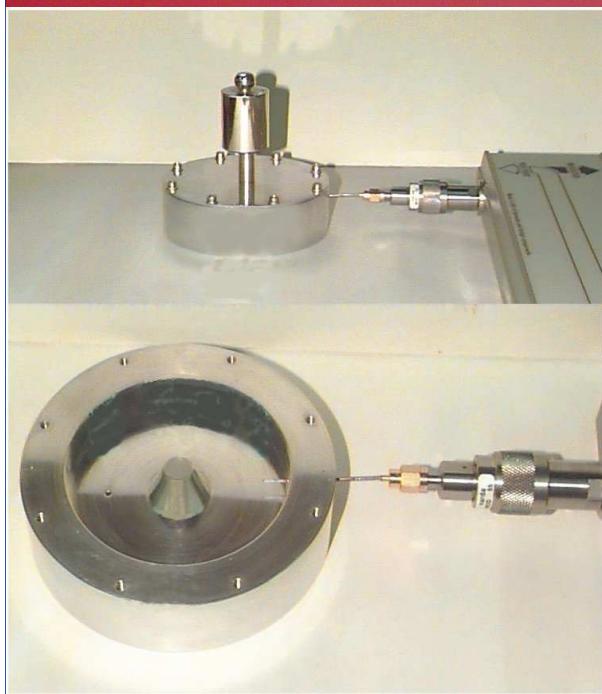


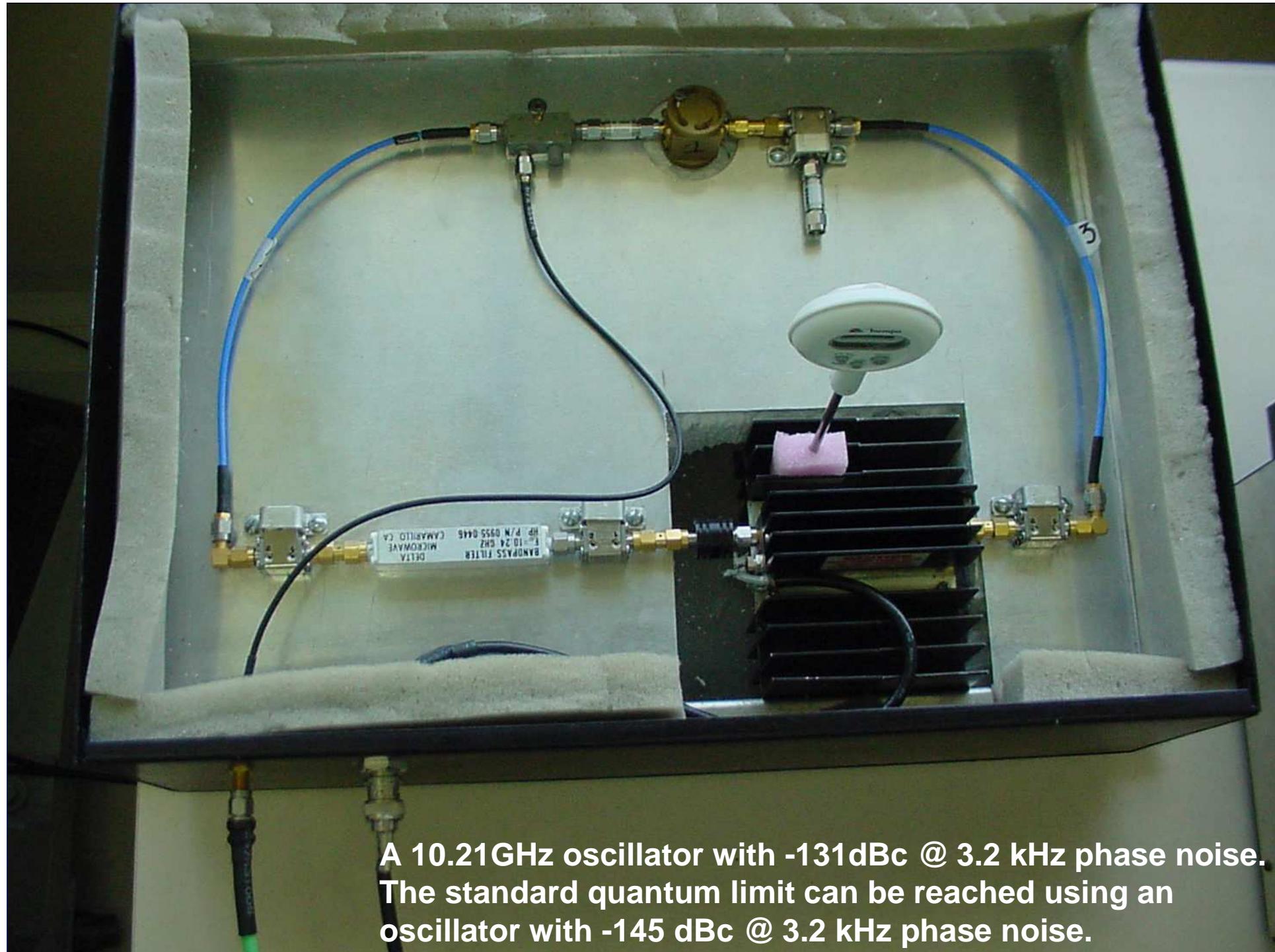




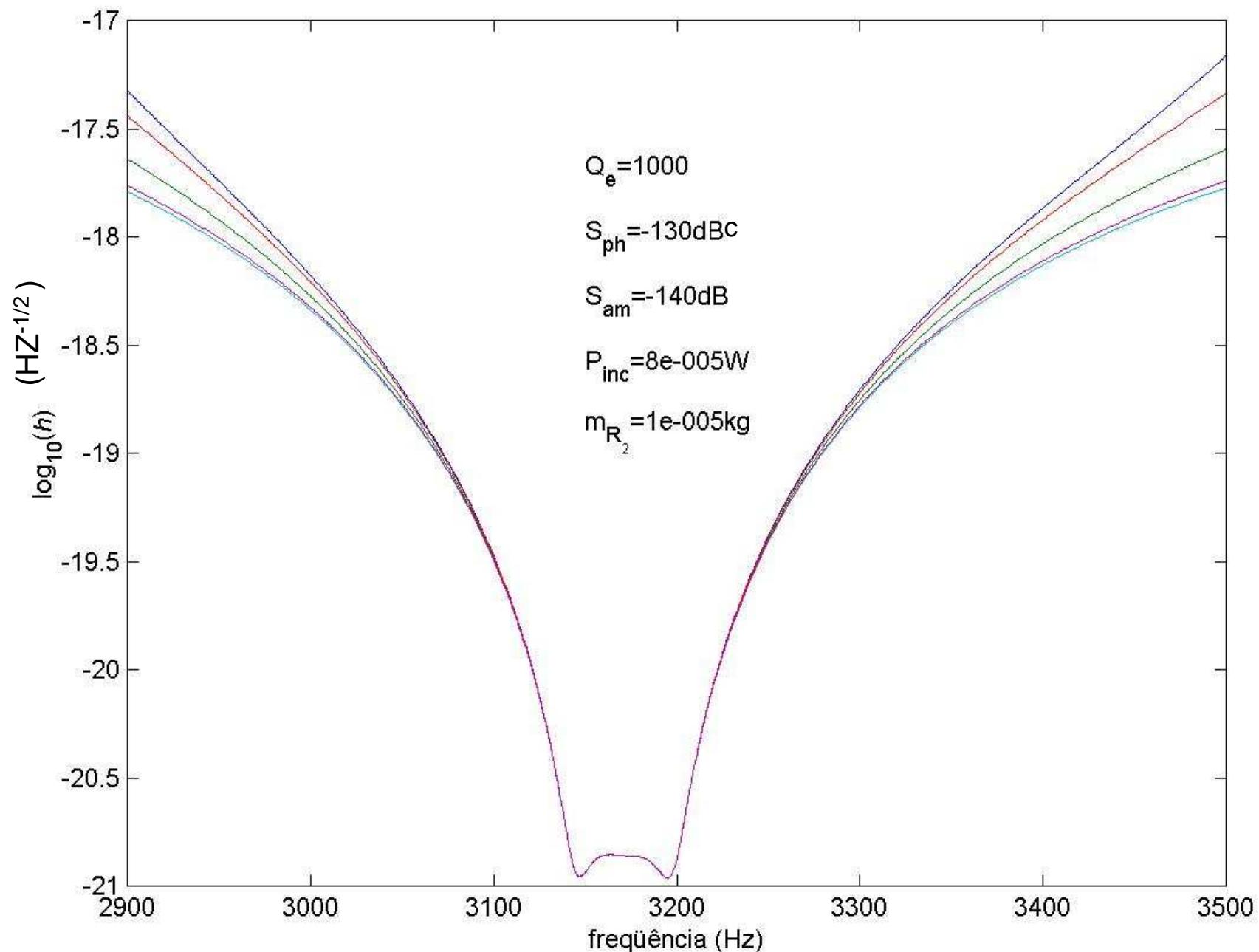
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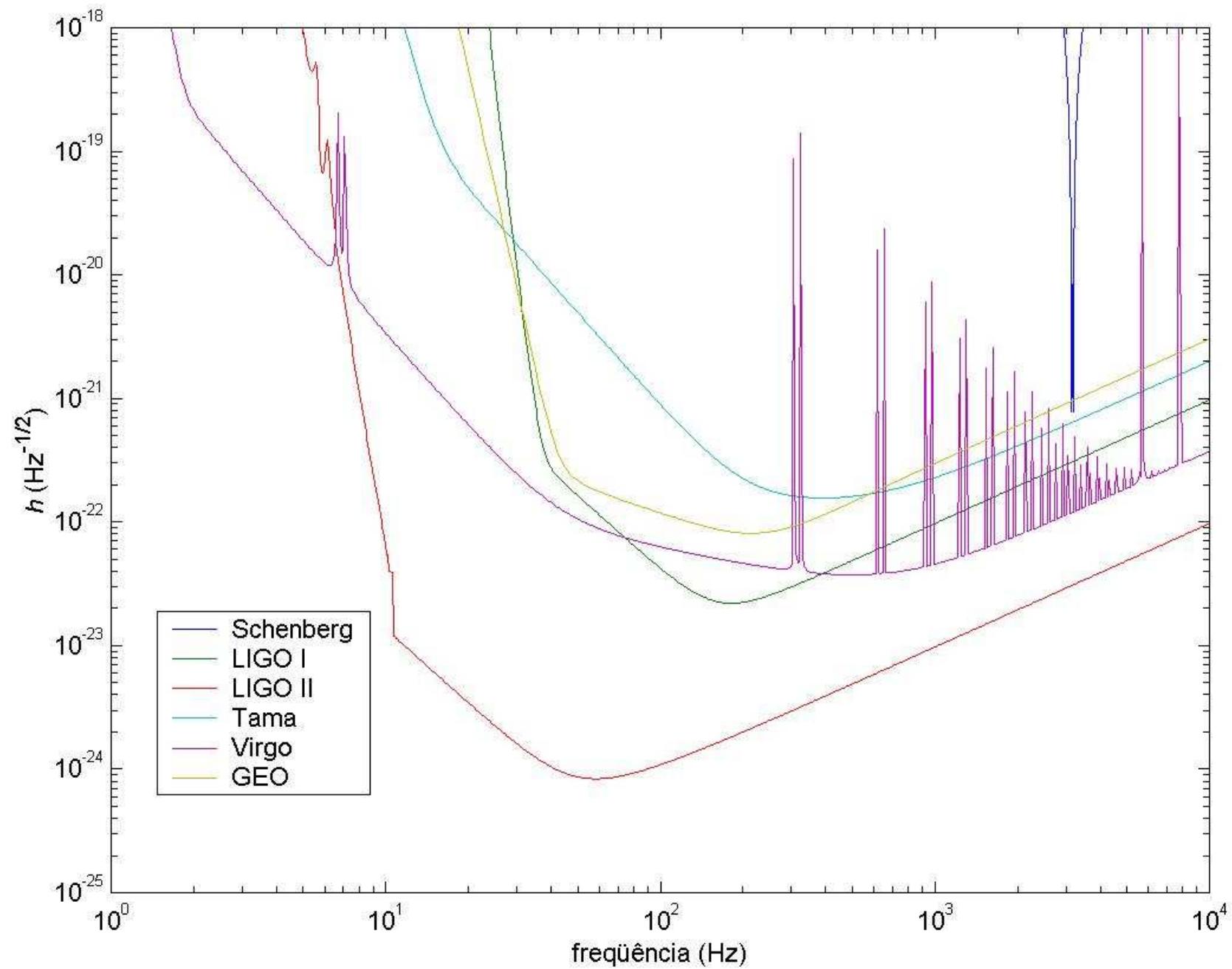
Tests with Niobium (and other metals) Reentrant cavities

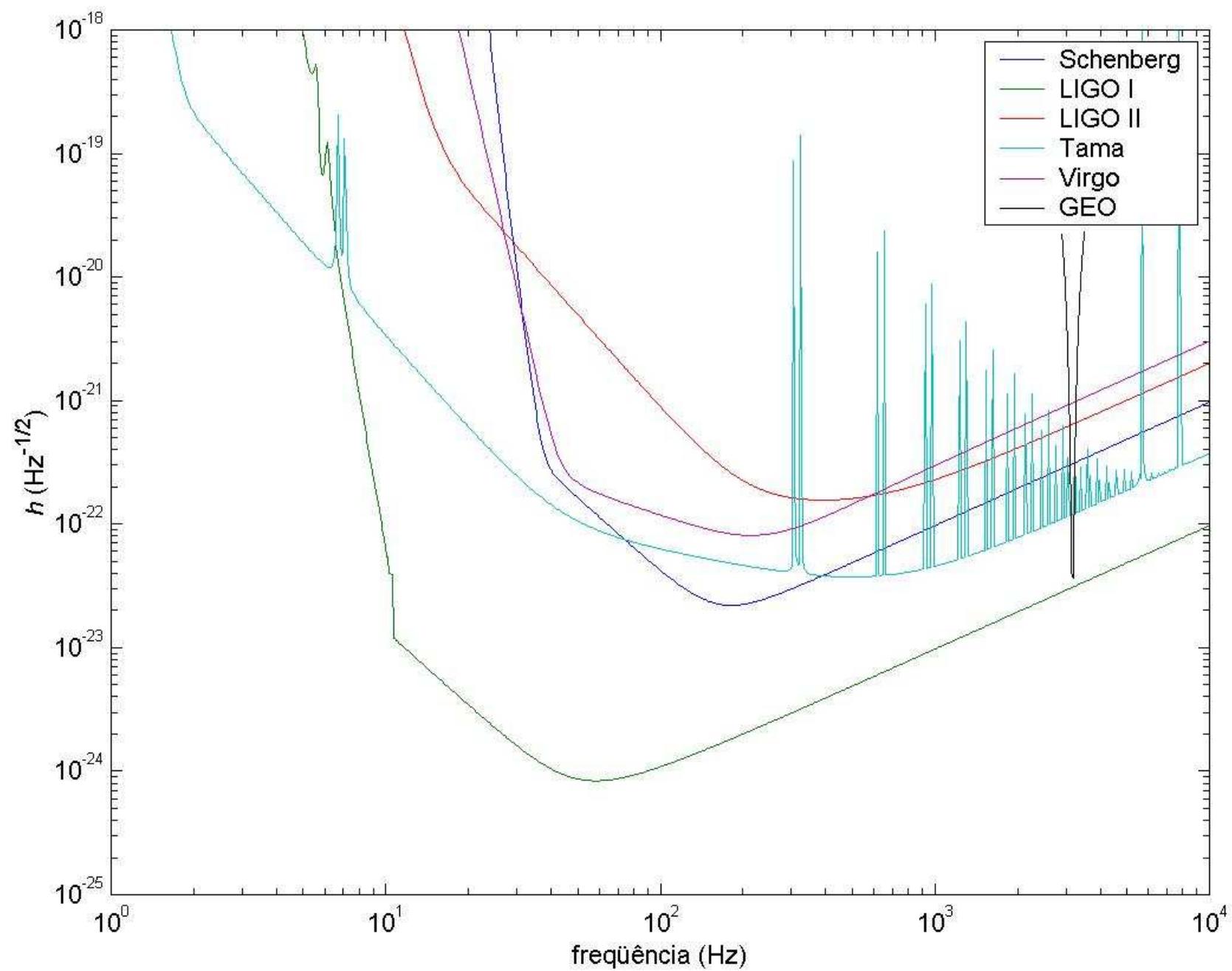




A 10.21GHz oscillator with -131dBc @ 3.2 kHz phase noise.
The standard quantum limit can be reached using an
oscillator with -145 dBc @ 3.2 kHz phase noise.







We have been constructing the gravitational wave detector Mario Schenberg at the Physics Institute of the University of São Paulo with the support of FAPESP, the São Paulo Science Foundation. The antenna and its vibration isolation system are already built, and we have cooled it down for a first cryogenic test and mechanical Q (figure of merit) measurement (the Q was ~ 1.5 million at 4.2 K). We also have built a 10.21GHz oscillator with -131dBc@3.2kHz phase noise performance to pump an initial CuAl6% two-mode transducer. We plan to prepare this spherical antenna for a first operational run at 4.2K with a single transducer and an initial target sensitivity of $h \sim 10^{-21} \text{ Hz}^{-1/2}$ in a 50Hz bandwidth around 3.2kHz soon.