

A 3D CAD model of a MICE Diffuser, showing a complex, multi-layered structure with various components and a central cylindrical section. The model is rendered in a light gray color.

Status of the MICE Diffuser

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Tasks:

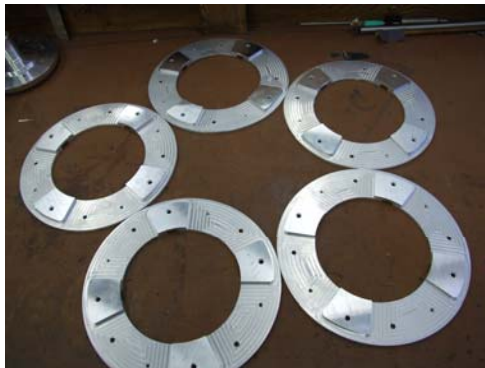
- **mechanics:** (j. & m. tacon)
 - cutting parts
 - build stand
 - assembly
 - test
- **control system:** (ma, m. dawson)
 - design logic
 - design air system
 - build air system (valves + front panel)
 - test motor + air system
- **air system:** (p. lau, m. dawson, t. handford)
- **electronics** (m. dawson)
 - design
 - construction (circuit + control/front panel ...)
 - test
- **integration** (all together ...)



1) parts cutting goes on (~60% completed, m. tacon), feb 08

1 FTE effort

2) stand is designed and will be built after (1)

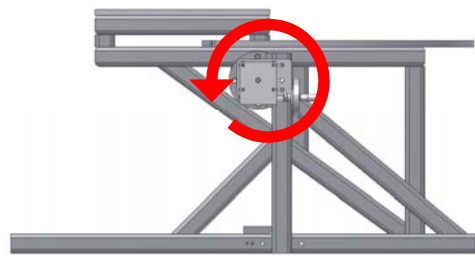


J. Tacon



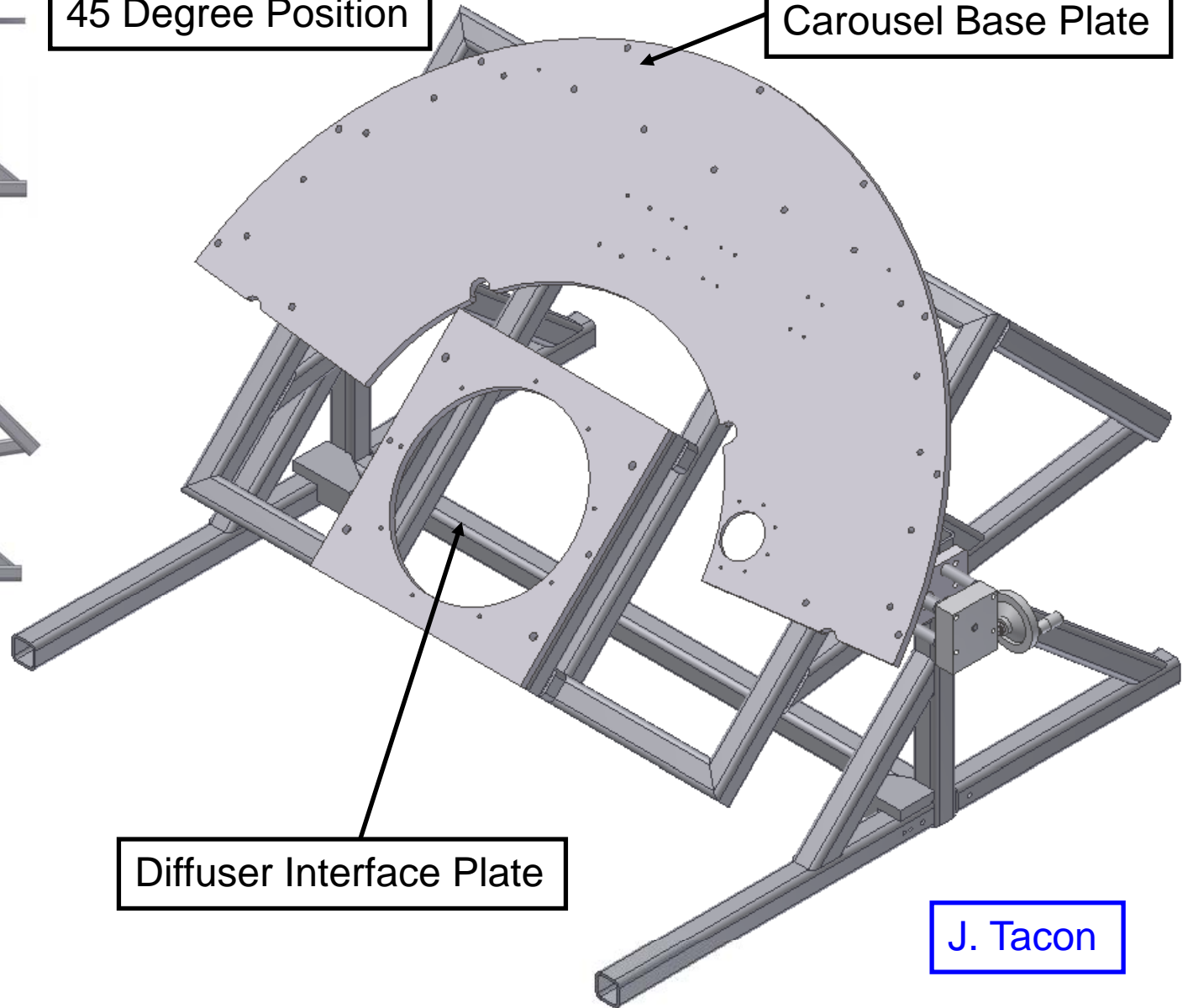
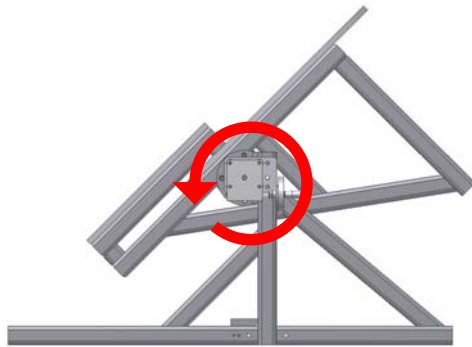
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45 Degree Position

Carousel Base Plate



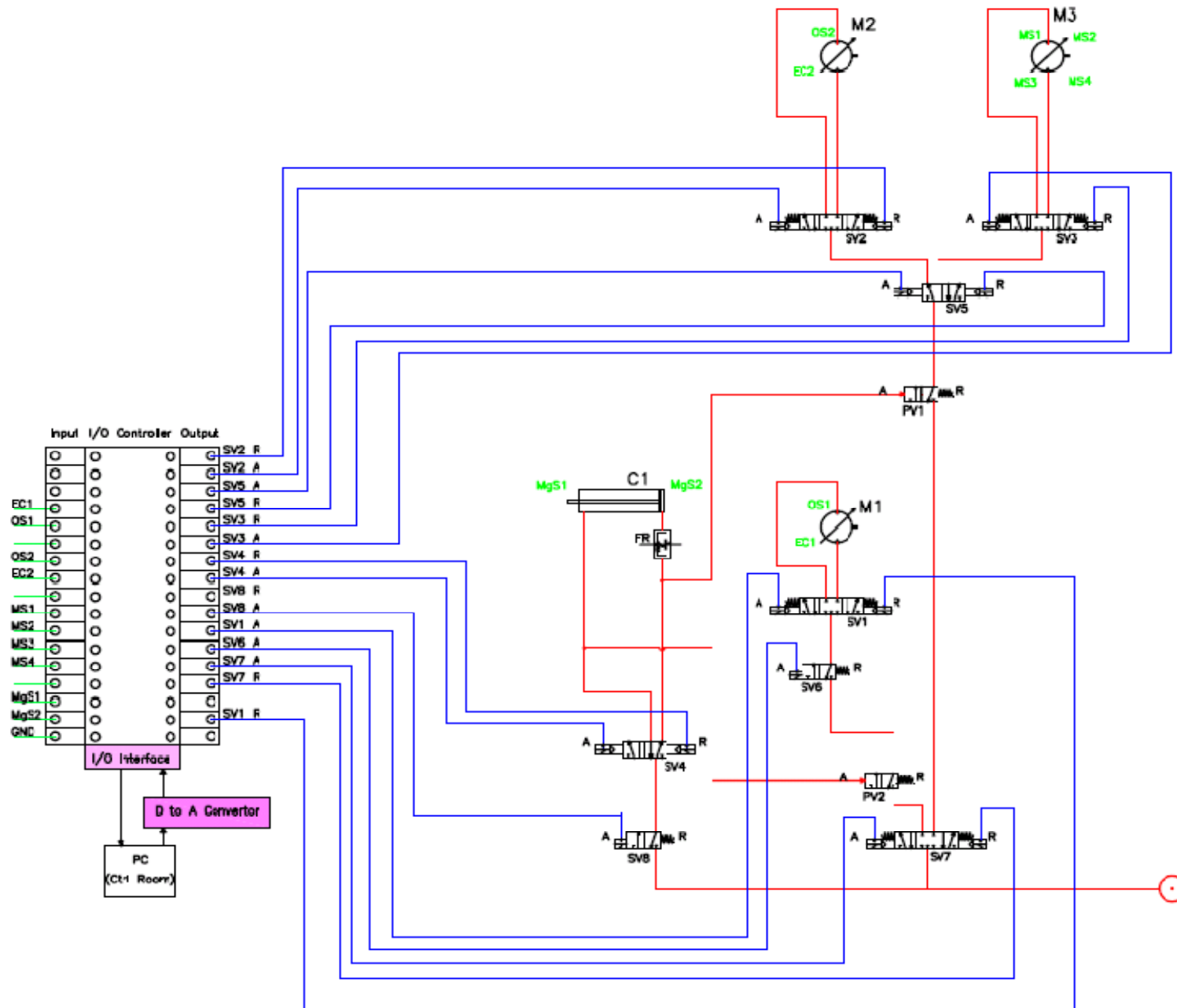
Diffuser Interface Plate

J. Tacon

air supply in MICE Hall

- Normal Air supply would be provided to MICE Hall (10 bar line)
- Additional air required in case of power failure
- Air volume required for safety parking of lead disc is **0.7 cubic meter @ ~10 bar**

P. Lau



P. Lau
T. Handford
M. Dawson

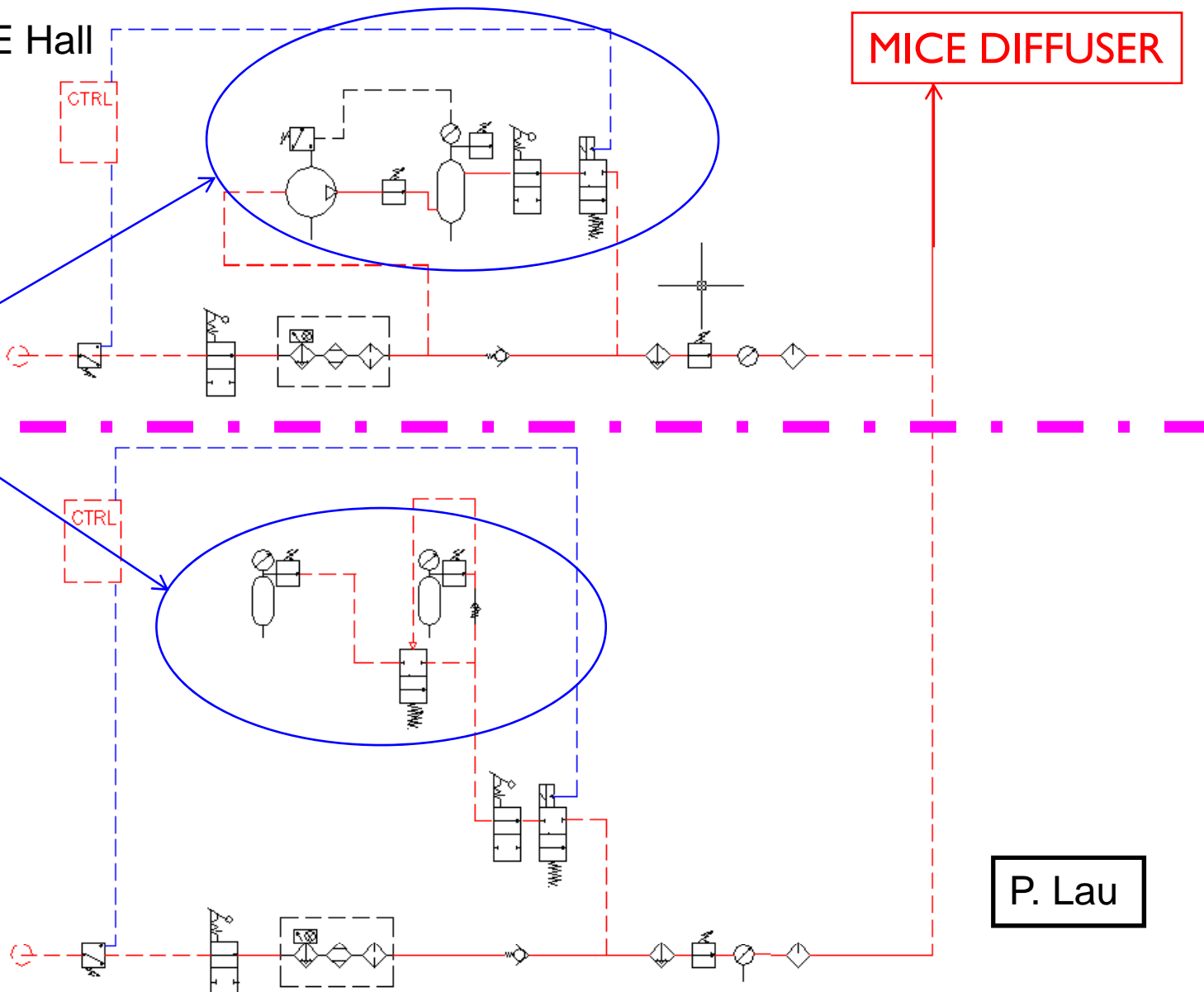
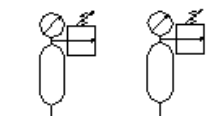
Air Supply in MICE Hall

MICE DIFFUSER

Option 1

extra air for power failure

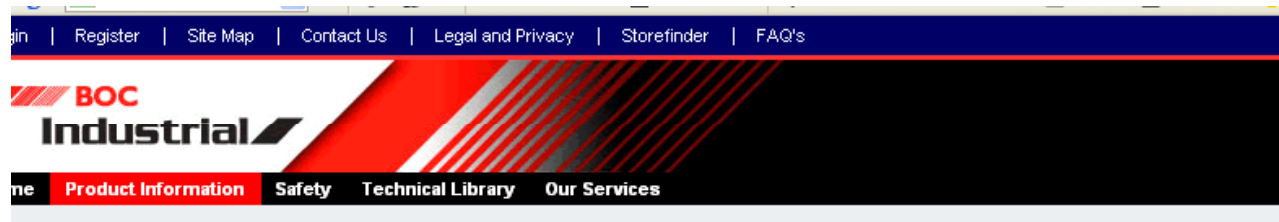
Option 2



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Option 1	Option 2
Compressor plus an Air tank: size for 1m ³ @ 40 bar: 800 mm dia x 2700 mm height	Bottles of 200 bar compressed air (by BOC)
<u>Advantage</u> Completely independent	<u>Advantage</u> Less Space, Less Cost, Not Noisy
<u>Disadvantage</u> Space, Costly and Noisy Required regular maintenance (drainage)	<u>Disadvantage</u> Inventory, and require regular check on the bottle's pressure



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Compressed Air Cylinder Sizes

- Industrial Gases**
- Inert Gases
- Fuel Gases
- ▶ **Oxidant Gases**
- Shielding Gases
- Laser & Assist Gases
- Refrigeration Gases
- Supply Options
- Equipment**
- Cryogenic Products**
- Dry Ice**
- Foodfresh**
- Balloon Gas**
- Safety Data Sheets**



Size Reference	V	S	N
Approx. Dimensions (cm)	94x14	87x20	146x23
Approx. Gross Weight (kg)	19	34	82
Approx. Nominal Contents (m ³)	1.8	3.5	8.9
Fill Pressure (bar)	200	200	200

Oxidant Gases



[Compressed Air](#)
Technical information, applications and packages available



[Oxygen \(O₂\)](#)
Technical information packages available

= 0.89 m³ @ 10 bar

MCP Size

Size Reference	WN (15xN)	QN Quad* (12xN)
Approx Dimensions (cm)	129x181x84	109x110x200
Approx Gross Weight (kg)	1500	1200
Approx Nominal Contents m ³	133	107

*Offshore customers only
▲ **Top**

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Control:

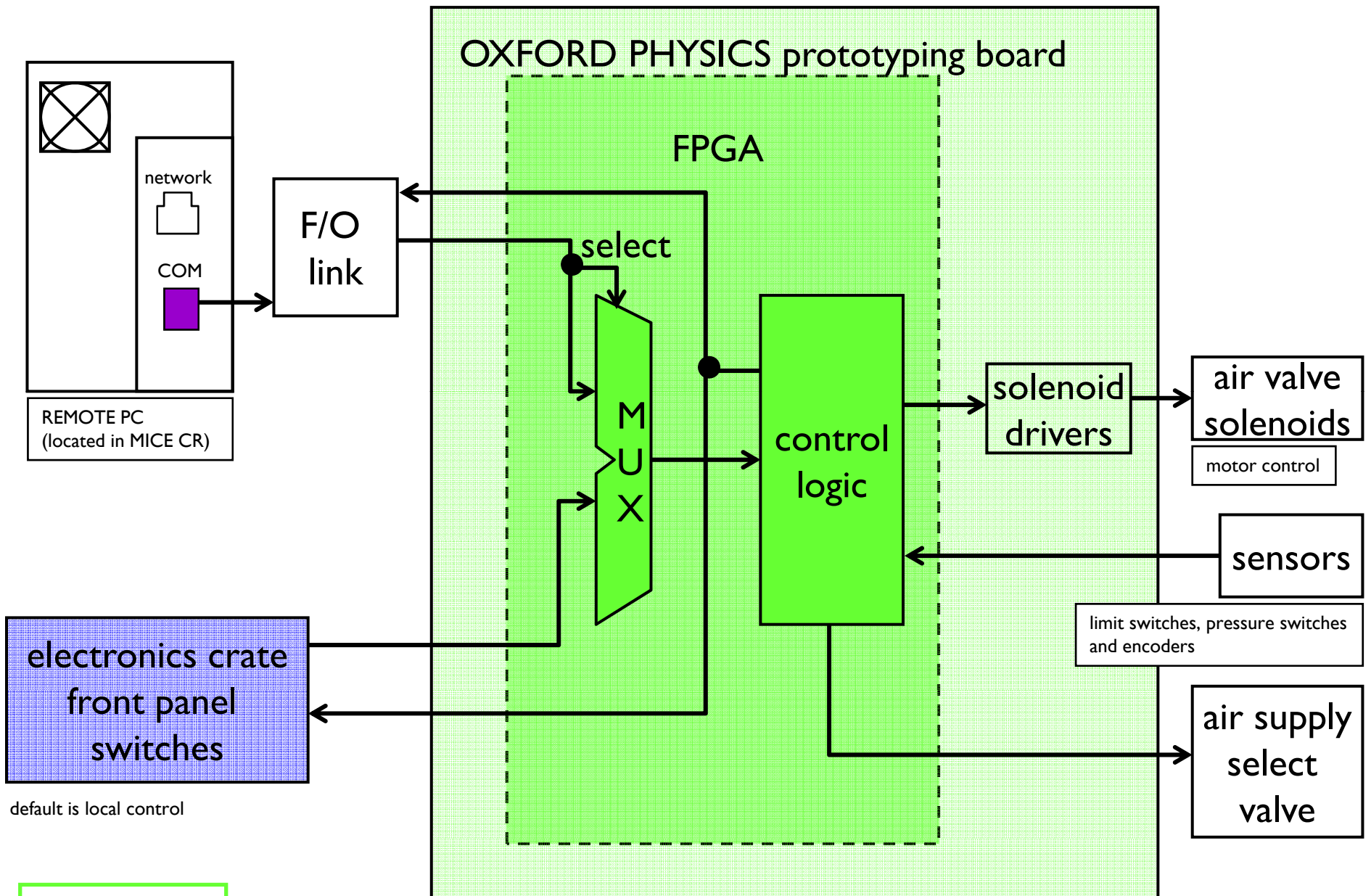
1) define the state diagrams for

- normal operations
- escape sequence (= power failure)

2) implement in verilog for FPGA

Electronics:

- circuit design
- realisation
- test functions



M. Dawson

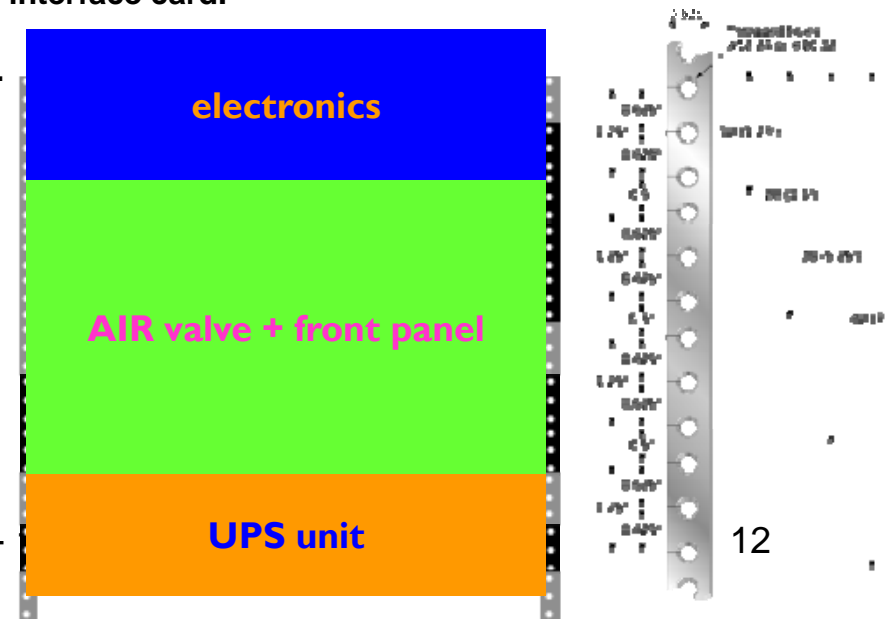
PROPOSED DIFFUSER CONTROL SYSTEM

CONTROL SYSTEM COMPRISING OF:

- PC situated in control room for remote control and monitoring running Labview.
 - **A half height 19" cabinet (approx 60cm x 66cm x 60cm)** situated **close to Diffuser** containing 2 - 3 individual 19" crates.
 - Top crate - Electronics.
 - Middle crate - Air valve assemblies.
 - Bottom crate – UPS.
 - UPS unit** to maintain control of diffuser in the event of an **electrical power loss.**
 - Emergency Air supply** via storage **bottles 2x(146 x 23 cm).**
 - Remote communications via Fibre Optic link between the Electronics crate and the remote PC.
- For initial setup and testing of the control system and mechanical components, the operation of the diffuser will be in local mode from the electronics crate front panel push buttons.

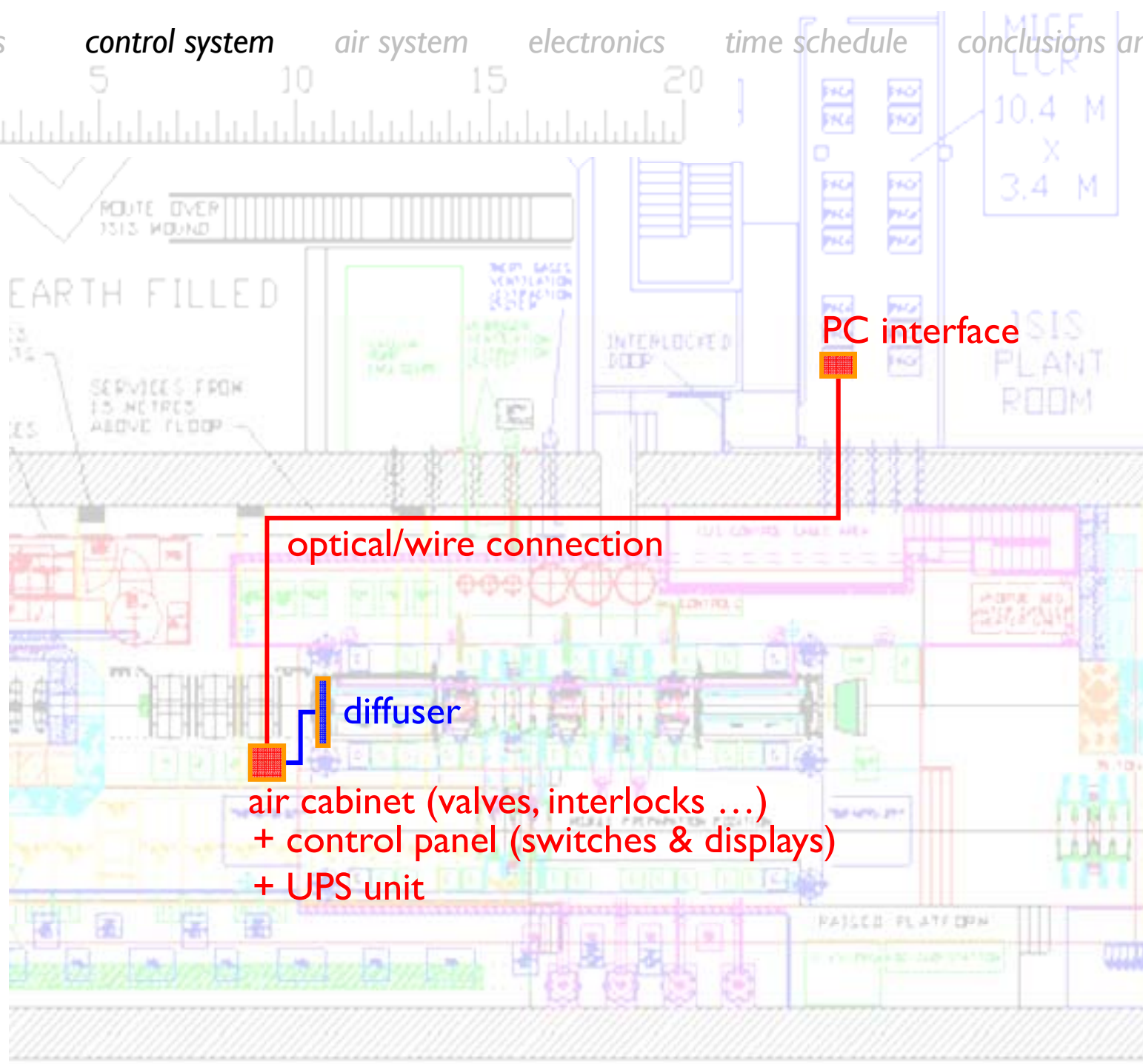
HALF HEIGHT CABINET (12U – 15U):

- Top crate (3U - 4U) containing:
 - Diffuser control software held on a Xilinx field programmable gate array (FPGA) mounted on a standard Oxford Physics prototyping interface card.
 - Interface electronics – signal conditioning.
 - Fibre Optical link for remote control and status monitoring.
 - Front panel for control via push buttons and status indication.
 - Single phase AC supply input power.
 - Air valve solenoid drivers.
- Middle crate (4U - 6U) containing:
 - Kuhnke solenoid operated Air valves for motor control.
 - Front panel legend for system status display.
 - Air supply control valve to select Air source between:
 - Building air supply.
 - Emergency Bottles supply.
- Bottom crate (2U – 3U) UPS.



MICE CM20 - RAL -

mechanics control system air system electronics time schedule conclusions and plans



PROVISIONAL MICE DIFFUSER CONTROL SEQUENCE

Initialisation (first power up):

- Unlock carousel (Retract piston – check mechanical switch pos).
- Rotate Carousel (ACW) to encoder 1 ref point (blank finger aligned with position 0).
- Lock Carousel (piston extended).
- Stop (air OFF to carousel drive motor).
- Zero Carousel counter (clocked by counter 1).
- Park position set (blank finger in position 0).
- Write counter 1 value to file.
- Return to start state.

Load disc:

- Select required disc position.
- Write disc selection (disc position number – counter 3) to file.
- Unlock Carousel (piston retracted).
- Air ON to carousel drive motor.
- Rotate selected disc position to disc check position (position 1).
- Lock Carousel.
- Stop (air OFF to carousel drive motor).
- Write counter 1 value to file.
- Check disc sensor.
 - No Disc present unlock carousel & return to park position & flag error. Return to start state.
 - Disc present, unlock carousel & continue to carrier position (position 0).
- Selected disc position in carrier position (counter 1 reading).
- Lock Carousel.
- Stop (air OFF to carousel drive motor).
- Write counter 1 value to file.
- Rotate disc holder to align disc loading pins on carrier (opto electronic sensor).
- Reset counter 2 (clocked by encoder 2).
- Write counter 2 to file.
- Drive carrier up to insert pins (micro switches 1 & 2).
- Rotate disc holder (ACW) 30 degrees (counter2) to release disc from holder and load into carrier.
- Drive carrier to bottom of top hat (micro switches 3 & 4).
- Unlock carousel.
- Air ON to carousel drive motor.
- Rotate carousel to park position.
- Lock carousel.
- Stop (air OFF to carousel drive motor).
- Write counter 1 to file.
- Return to start state

Unload disc:

- Read current disc selection position from file (counter 3).
- Unlock Carousel.
- Air ON to carousel drive motor.
- Rotate carousel disc selection position to position 0.

- Lock Carousel.
- Stop (air OFF to carousel drive motor).
- Write counter 1 value to file.
- Rotate disc holder to align disc loading pins on carrier (opto electronic sensor).
- Reset counter 2 (clocked by encoder 2).
- Rotate disc holder (ACW) 30 degrees (counter 2) ready to receive disc from carrier.
- Drive carrier up to insert pins (micro switches 1 & 2).
- Rotate disc holder (CW) 30 degrees (counter 2) to lock disc into holder.
- Drive carrier to bottom of top hat (micro switches 3 & 4).
- Unlock carousel.
- Air ON to carousel drive motor.
- Rotate carousel to park position.
- Lock carousel.
- Stop (air OFF to carousel drive motor).
- Write counter 1 to file.
- Reset selected disc position counter (counter 3).
- Return to start state.

Disc change:

- Select required disc position.
- Write disc selection (disc position number – counter 3) to file.
- Read counter 1 from file.
- Unlock Carousel.
- Air ON to carousel drive motor.
- Rotate selected disc position to position 3.
- Lock carousel.
- Stop (air OFF to carousel drive motor).
- Write counter 1 to file.
- Reset selected disc position counter (counter 3).
- Return to start state.
- Wait for return to park command.

Return to park position:

- Read counter 1 from file.
- Unlock carousel.
- Air ON to carousel drive motor.
- Rotate carousel to park position.
- Lock carousel.
- Stop (air OFF to carousel drive motor).
- Write counter 1 to file.
- Return to start state.

TIME to reach a safe position

STATE diagram + ESCAPE sequence

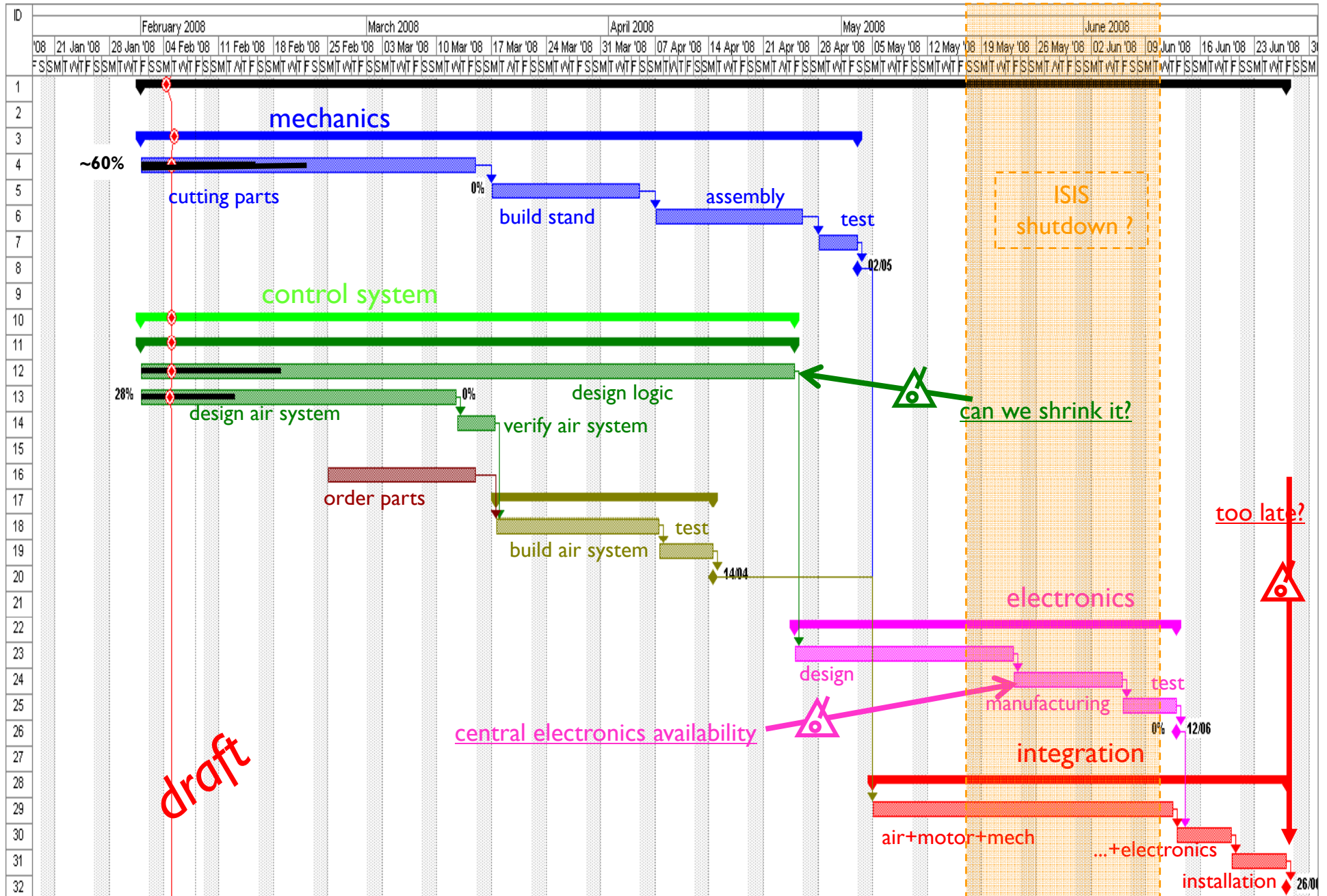
DISC CHANGING SEQUENCE (disc a to disc b)				
STATE	description [NSC: Next Safe Configuration]	INPUTS: S(n+1)=F(S(n); I(n))	COMMENTS	TIS [Time In State] (s)
1..				
1	1.0.1 piston IN [E]	remove_piston&&piston_IN&&!rotate	disc a in situ	0
2	1.0.2 piston OUT [E2]	rotate_CARO==(signal_rotate&&!piston_IN); rotate_CARO&&!search_zero		5
3	1.1.1 move CARO @ full speed to final POS [E1]	close_to_final_position		270
4	1.1.2 hinge CARO when close to final POS [E1]	final_position_reached		30
5	1.0.2 piston OUT: CARO in still mode @ final POS [E2]	insert_piston&&!signal_rotate&&!piston_IN		5
6	1.0.1 piston IN: CARO locked and still [E]	1-->3		5 5.25
7	3.0.1 CAR in still mode (bottom) [E]	signal_OUT	remove disc a	0
8	3.2. pull CAR out [E3]	US1 + US2		166
9	3.0.2 CAR in still mode (top) [E]	3-->2 CAR		0 2.7667
10	2.2. CAR engaged mode [E]	rotate -	CARrier engaged	0
11	2.1.2 rotate - mode [E4]	15_deg_reached		13
12	2.1. free disc state [E4]	rotate -		0
13	2.0.2 rotate - mode [E4]	0_deg_reached		13
14	2.0. HOL engaged [E4]	2-->3 HOL	HOLder engaged	0 0.4333
15	3.0.2 CAR in still mode (top) [E]	signal_IN	move CARrier to bottom	0
16	3.1. push CAR in [E3]	US3 + US4		166
17	3.0.1 CAR in still mode (bottom) [E]	3-->1		0 2.7667
18	1.0.1 piston IN [E]	remove_piston&&piston_IN&&!rotate	move to next disc	0
19	1.0.2 piston OUT [E2]	rotate_CARO==signal_rotate&&!piston_IN; rotate_CARO&&!search_zero		5
20	1.1.1 move CARO @ full speed to final POS [E1]	close_to_final_position		270
21	1.1.2 hinge CARO when close to final POS [E1]	final_position_reached		30
22	1.0.2 CARO in still mode @ final POS [E2]	insert_piston&&!signal_rotate&&!piston_IN		5
23	1.0.1 piston IN: CARO locked and still [E]	1-->3	prepare to insert next disc	5 5.25
24	3.0.1 CAR in still mode (bottom) [E]	signal_OUT	move CARrier to new disc	0
25	3.2. pull CAT out [E3]	US1 + US2		166
26	3.0.2 CAT in still mode (top) [E]	3-->2 HOL		0 2.7667
27	2.0. HOL engaged [E]	rotate +		0
28	2.0.1 rotate + mode [E5]	15_deg_reached		13
29	2.1. free disc state [E5]	rotate +		0
30	2.1.1. rotate + mode [E5]	0_deg_reached		13
31	2.2. CAR engaged mode [E5]	2-->3 CAR	disc b engaged on CAR	0 0.4333
32	3.0.2 CAR in still mode (top) [E]	signal_IN		0
33	3.1. push CAR in [E3]	US3 + US4		166
34	3.0.1 CAR in still mode (bottom) [E]	3-->1	disc b in bottom position	0 2.7667
35	1.0.1 piston IN [E]	remove_piston&&piston_IN&&!rotate		0
36	1.0.2 piston OUT [E2]	rotate_CARO==signal_rotate&&!piston_IN; rotate_CARO&&!search_zero		5
37	1.1.1 move CARO @ full speed to final POS [E1]	close_to_final_position	move to EMPTY station	270
38	1.1.2 hinge CARO when close to final POS [E1]	final_position_reached		30
39	1.0.2 CARO in still mode @ final POS [E]	insert_piston&&!signal_rotate&&!piston_IN		5
40	1.0.1 piston IN: CARO locked and still [E]	1-->3	ready for NEW RUN	5 27.683

ESCAPE configurations

E1	move CARO to next available position	E1-->E
E2	piston IN	E2-->E
E3	push CAR in	E3-->E
E4	complete [2.1.2 --> 2.0]	E4-->E
E5	complete [2.0.1 --> 2.2]	E4-->E
E6		
E	HALT	

0.7 m³ @ 10 bars

1/2 hr to change a disc



CONCLUSIONS & PLANS

Progress

Mechanics:

- 60% of parts done
- test stand designed

Air System:

- basically designed (external review?)
- all valves + interlocks defined
- safety (emergency) systems proposed
(OK with RAL?)

Control:

- state diagram in progress

To be done (see chart for times)

Mechanics:

- complete cuttings, first mech tests
(by end of february)
- build stand
- mount mechanics and test

Air System:

- build valve box + front panel
- connect to diffuser (motors)
- test

Control:

- state diagram → circuit
- build circuit + front panel
- connect to air system and test

DOCUMENTATION !!!