

Infrastructure of  
Thin Films Laboratory in  
Institute of Molecular Physics  
Polish Academy of Sciences

# Outline

- Sample preparation
  - Magnetron sputtering
  - Ion-beam sputtering
  - Pulsed laser deposition
  - Electron-beam lithography
- Structural characterization
  - SEM – Scanning Electron Microscopy
  - XRR – X-ray Reflectometry
  - XRD – X-ray Diffraction
  - XRF – X-ray Fluorescence
  - Profilometer

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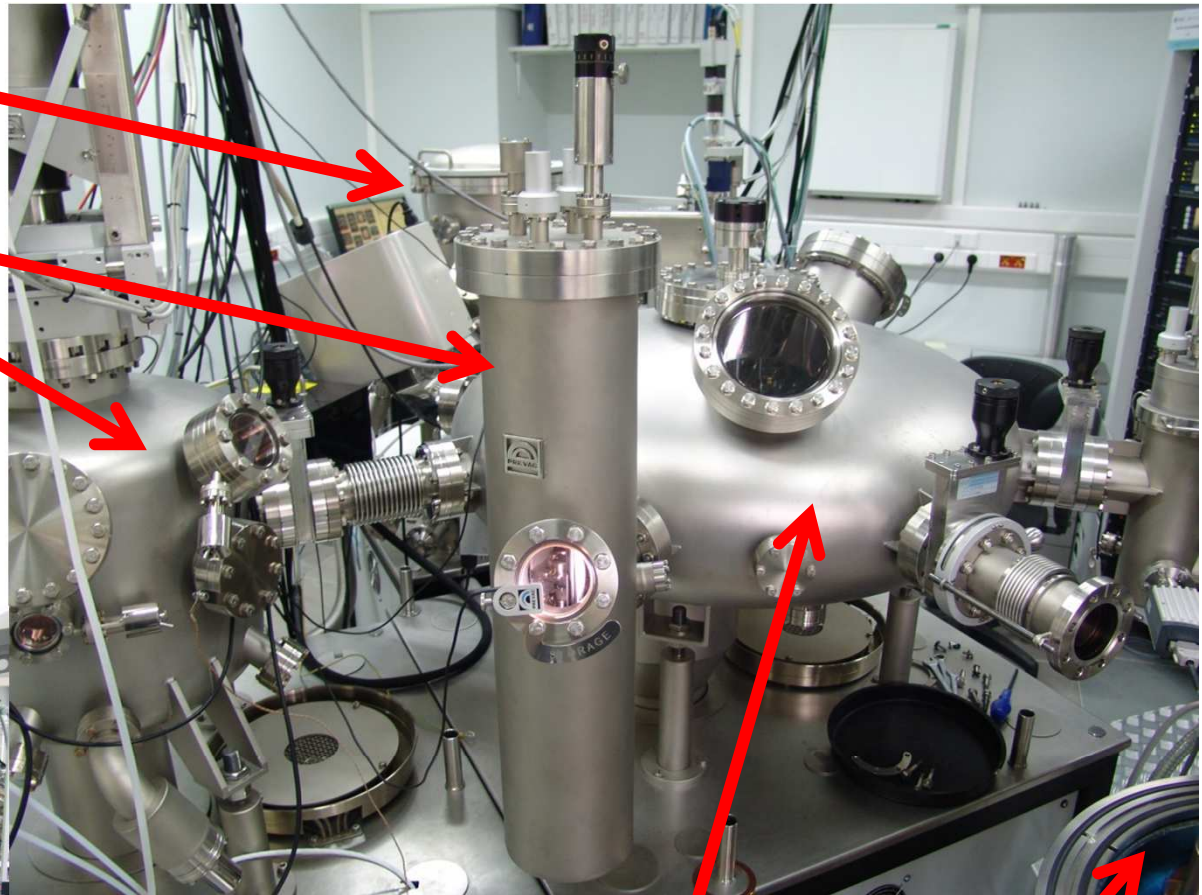
- Static magnetic measurements
  - VSM – Vibrating Sample Magnetometer
  - GMR – Giant Magneto Resistance
  - P-MOKE Magnetometer
  - P-MOKE Microscopy
- Dynamic magnetic measurements
  - VNA-FMR – Vector Network Analyzer – Ferromagnetic Resonance
  - FMR – Ferromagnetic Resonance
  - PIMM – Pulsed inductive microwave magnetometer

# UHV system

**Ion-beam sputtering**

**Sample storage**

**Pulsed laser deposition**

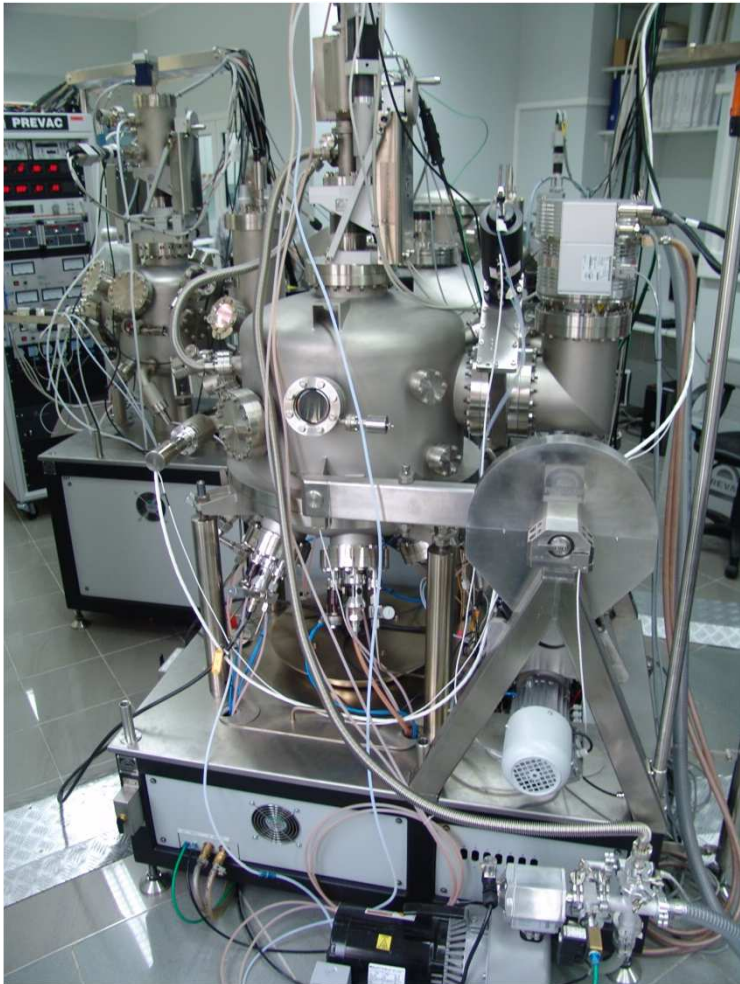


**Distribution chamber**

**Magnetron sputtering**



# Magnetron sputterings

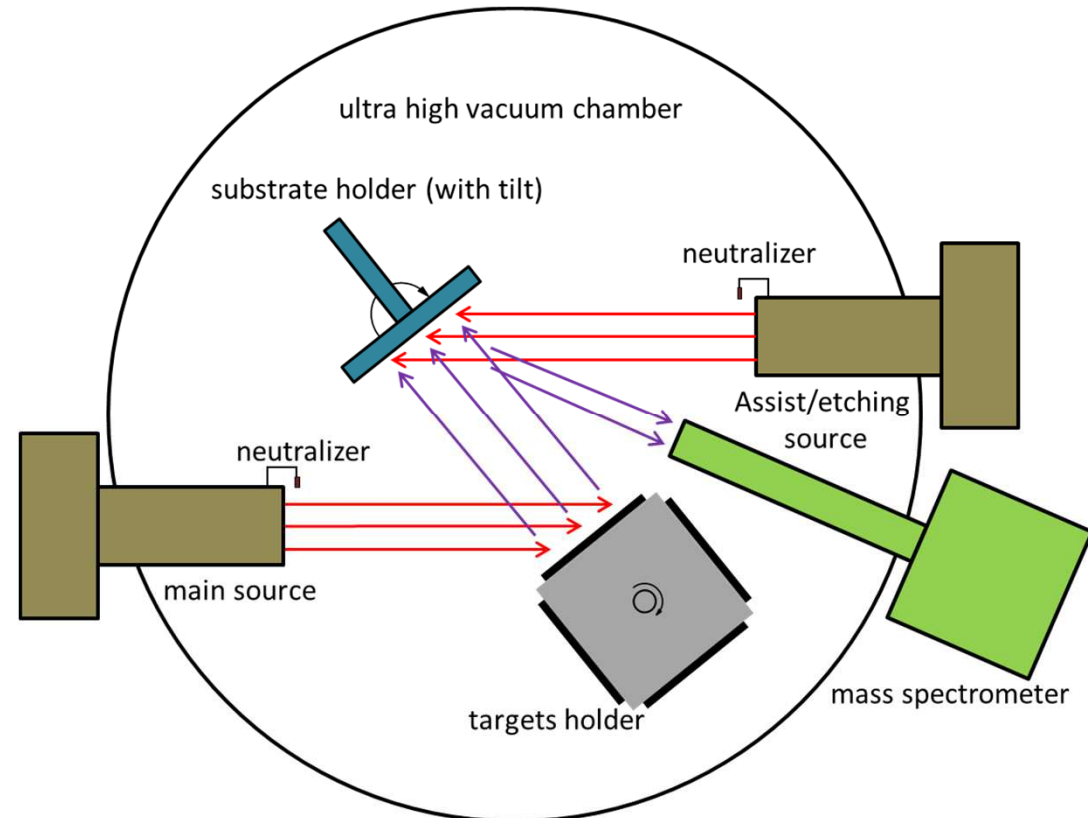
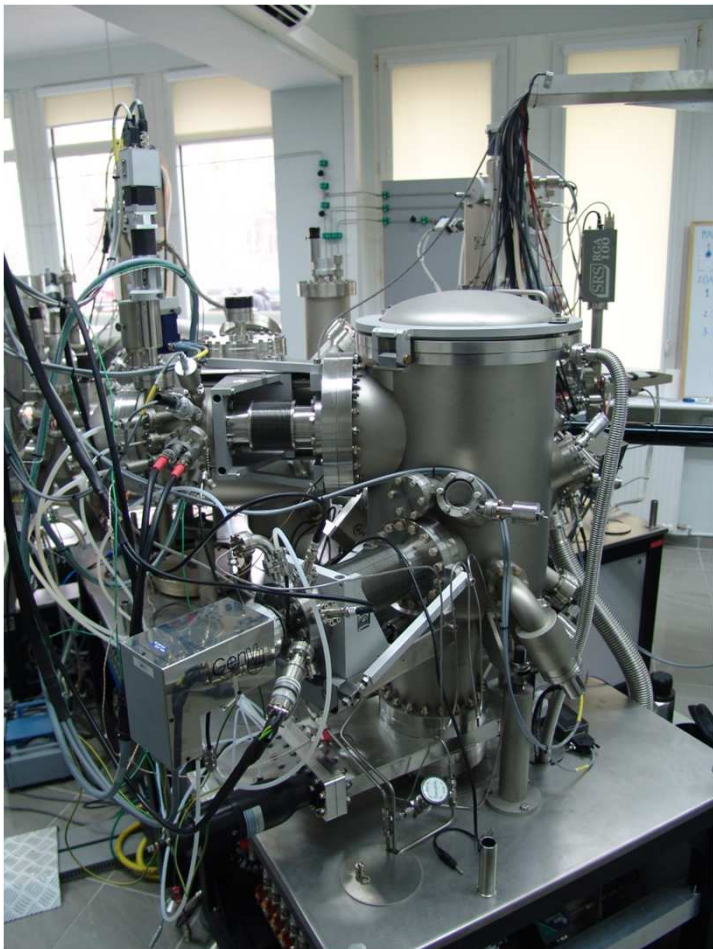


- Base pressure  $<5 \times 10^{-9}$  mbar
- Up to 6 ultrapure 2 inch targets
- Possibility to prepare multilayer systems or alloys (confocal setup)
- Possible to make wedge layers
- Sample size - up to 15x20mm



# Ion-beam sputtering

- Base pressure  $<5 \times 10^{-9}$  mbar
- Up to 4 ultrapure 2 inches targets
- Sample size up to 15x20mm
- Two ion sources – for sputter and etching
- Mass spectrometer



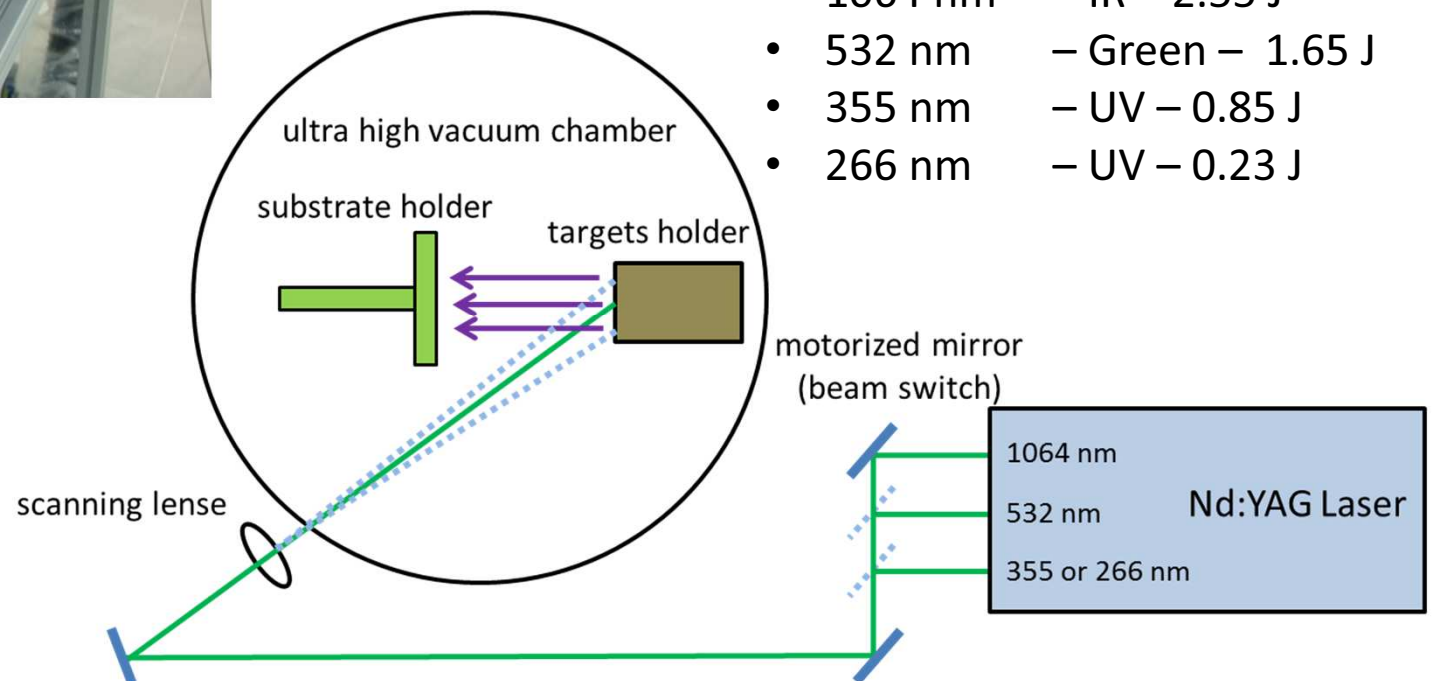
# Pulsed laser deposition



- Base pressure  $<5 \times 10^{-9}$  mbar
- Up to 6 ultrapure 1 inch targets
- Sample size up to 15x20mm
- Ion source – for etching

## Laser:

- 1064 nm – IR – 2.55 J
- 532 nm – Green – 1.65 J
- 355 nm – UV – 0.85 J
- 266 nm – UV – 0.23 J



# Electron-beam lithography



- Preparation of samples in CleanRoom class 1000
- PMMA and MMA electron resists in thickness range from  $\sim 50\text{nm}$  to a few microns
- Max. wafer size - 150mm (6in.)





# SEM



## **With FEI Nova NanoSEM 650 we can:**

- Expand our research capabilities by handling a wider range of sample types
- Perform high resolution imaging - low voltage [1kV] resolution is 1.8nm in low vacuum mode and 1.4 nm in high vacuum mode, so we can still use all the benefits offered by low vacuum imaging without having to sacrifice resolution in images
- Both a high current beam (essential for rapid EDS/EBSD/CL/analytical research) and high resolution at high and low voltage which is essential for image quality across a wide range of sample type are available

## **Moreover our system includes:**

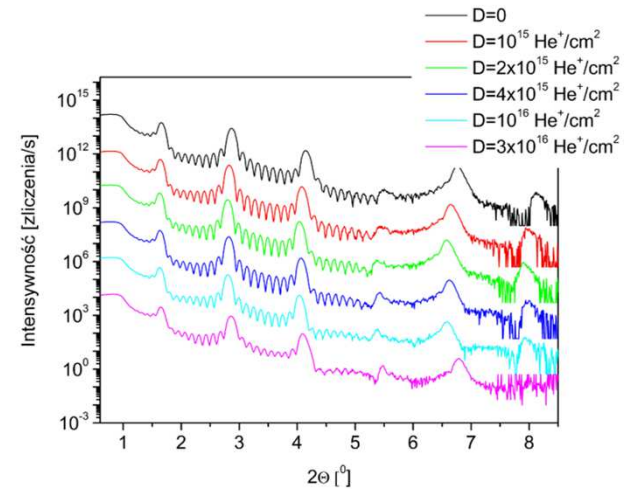
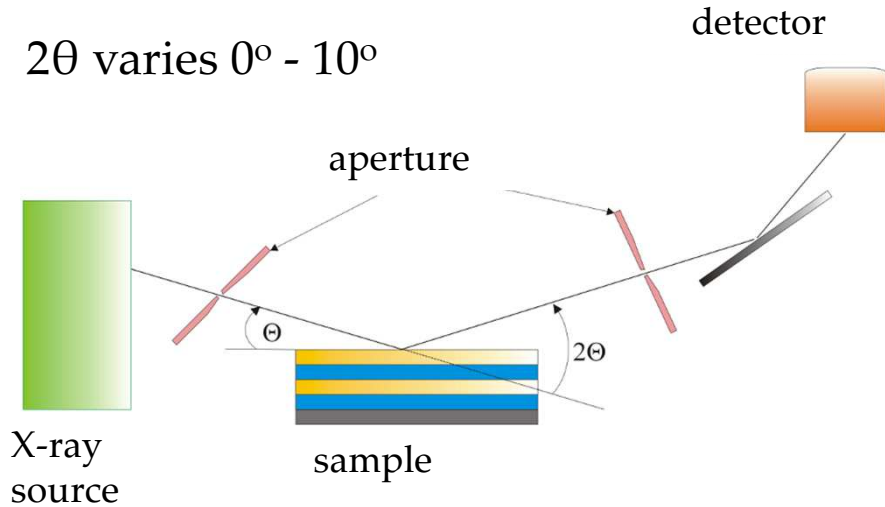
- Bruker EDS system
- Raith lithography system

# XRR/XRD

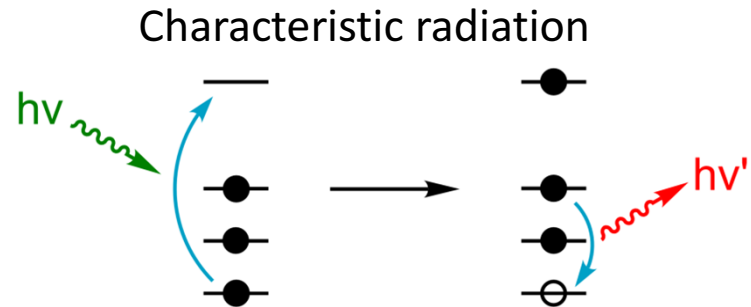
Seifert, model XRD 3003,  
X-ray source Cu-K (wavelength  
 $\lambda=0.15419$  nm)

Interference of the wave reflected from  
surface of the film and the surface of the  
substrate results in **Kiessig fringes**.

Allows to measure thickness and  
structure of thin films

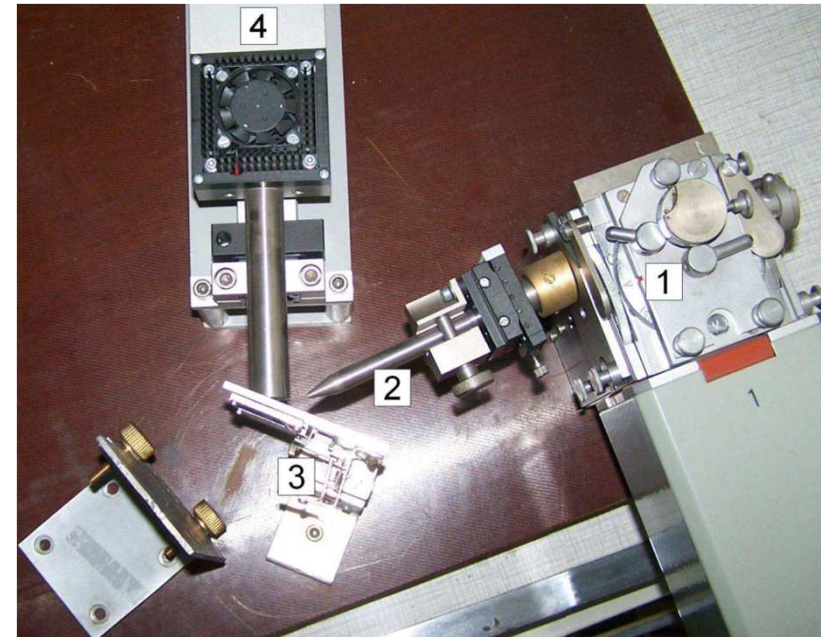


# XRF



Multichannel analyzer 10 keV / 1024 channels

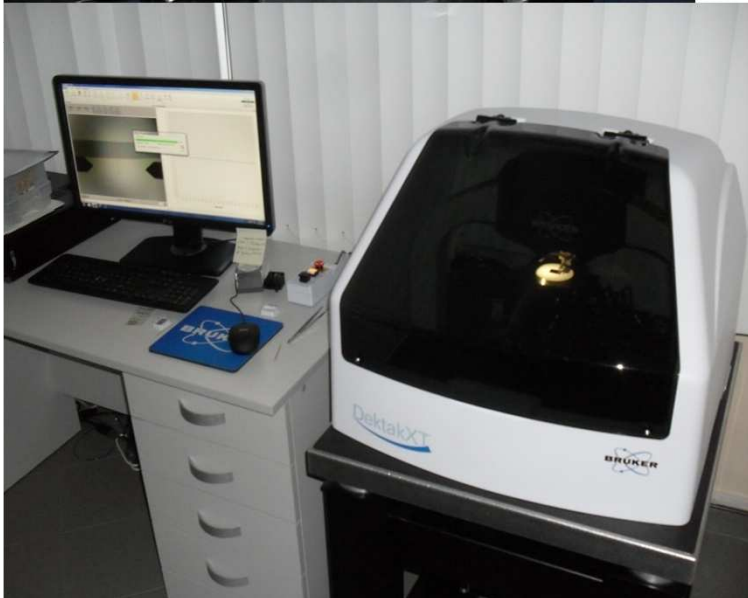
- We can measure:
  - Thickness of thin films (up to 200 nm)
  - Chemical composition



1 – X-ray source, 2 - collimator,  
3 – sample holder, 4 - detector

$$t_{\text{sample}} = \frac{I_{\text{sample}}}{I_{\text{reference}}} \cdot t_{\text{reference}}$$

# Profilometer

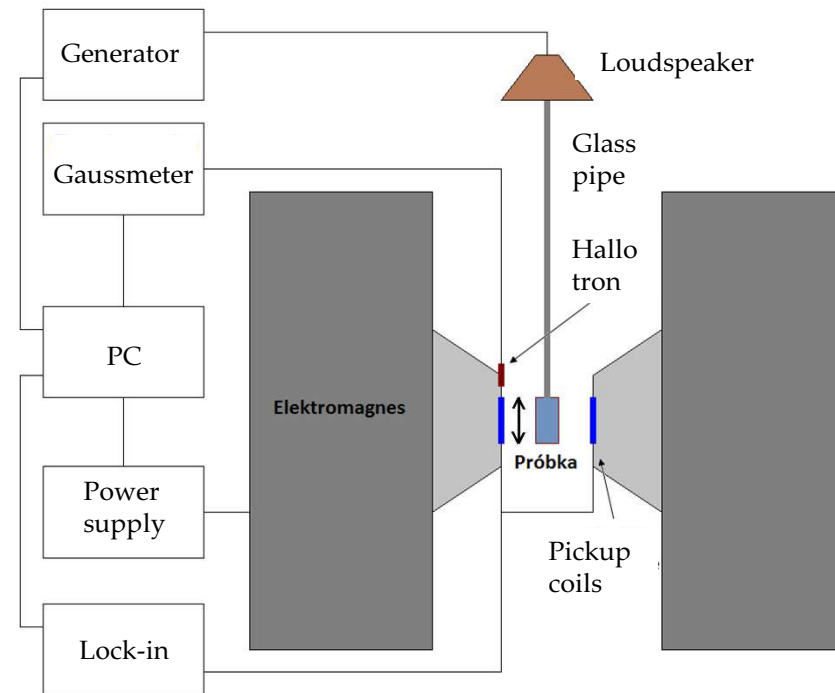


## BRUKER – Dektak XT

- Measurement Technique - Stylus profilometry (contact measurement)
- Measurement Capability - Two-dimensional surface profile measurements
- Stylus Force – 0,03 to 15 mg with LIS 3 sensor
- Stylus Options - Stylus radius from 50nm to 25 $\mu$ m
- Scan Length Range - 55mm (2 in.)
- Max. Sample Thickness - 50mm (1.95 in.)
- Max. Wafer Size - 200mm (8 in.)
- Step Height Repeatability <math><5 \text{ \AA}</math>, 1 sigma on 0.1  $\mu$ m step
- Vertical Resolution – 1  $\text{\AA}$  max. (@ 6.55  $\mu$ m range)

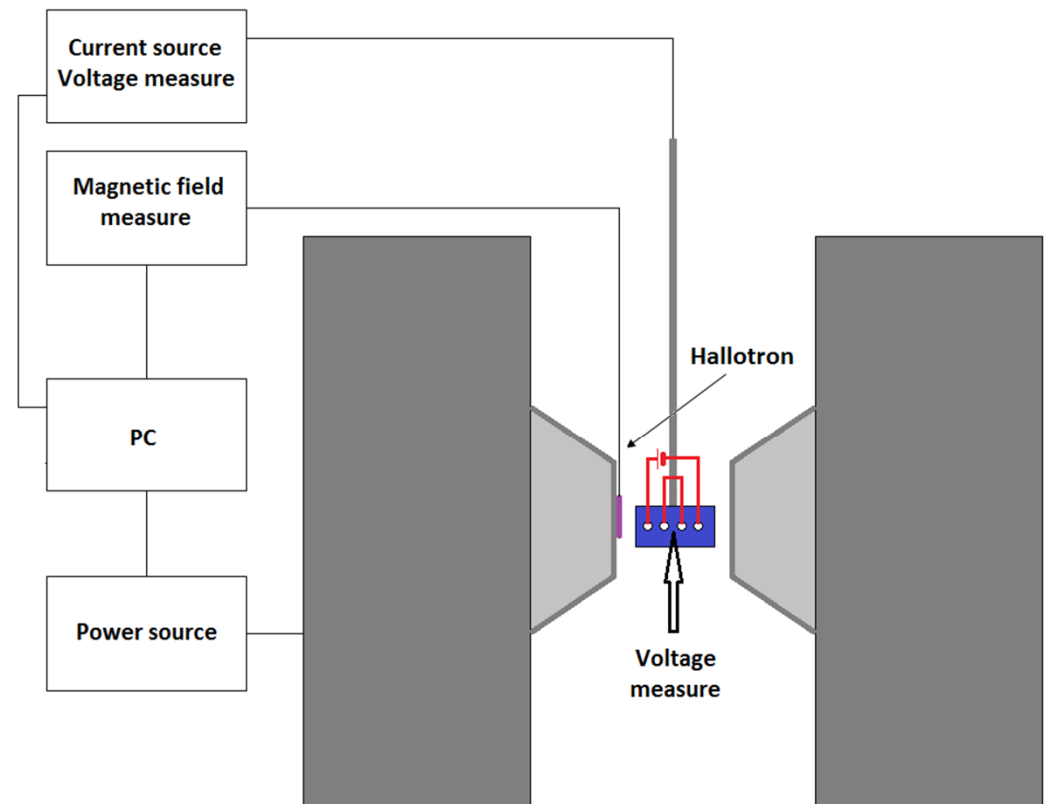
# VSM

- Frequency: 35 Hz
- Dual pickup coils
- Magnetic field: up to 16 kOe
- Temperature: -100°C to 250°C

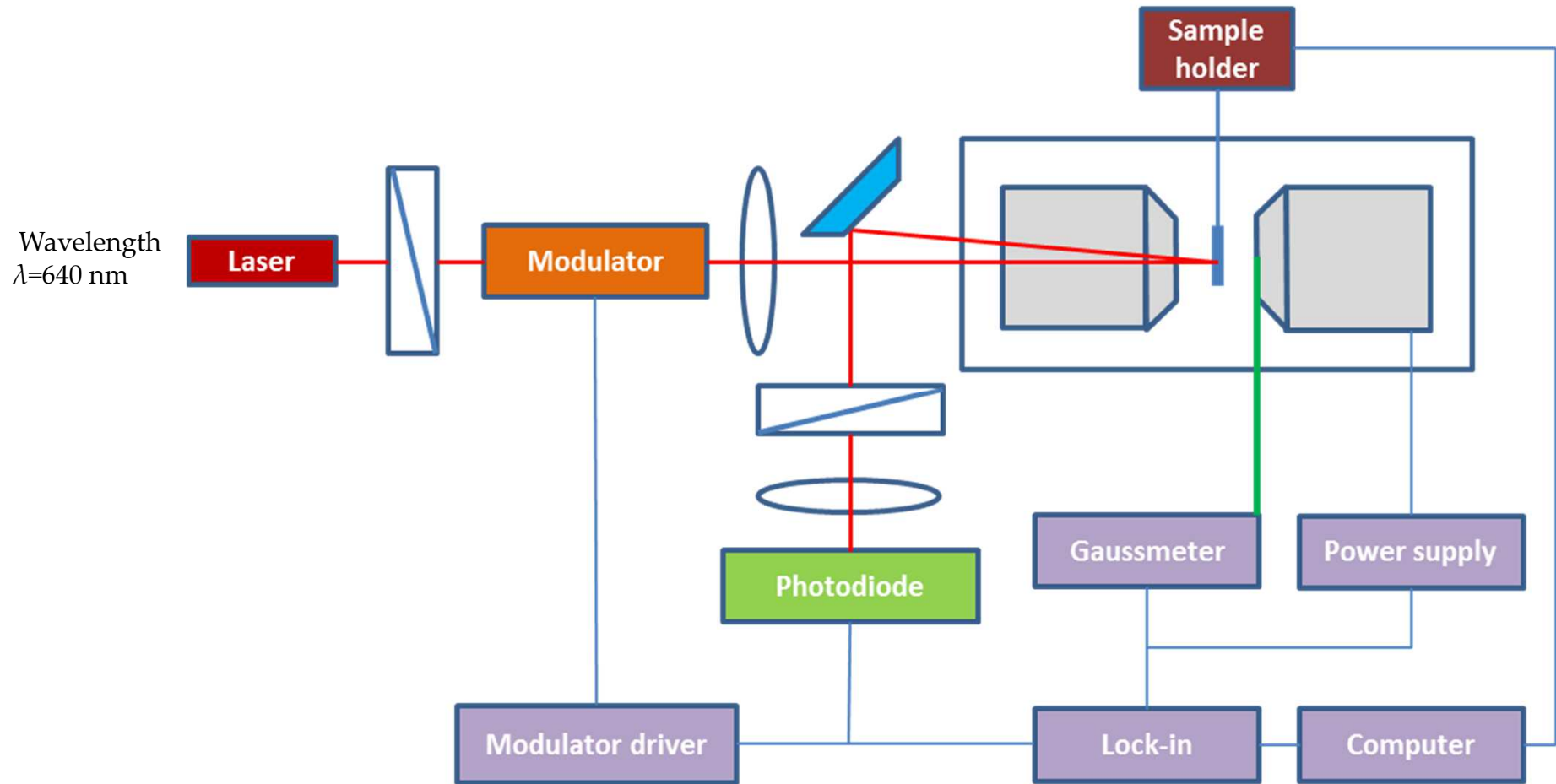


# GMR

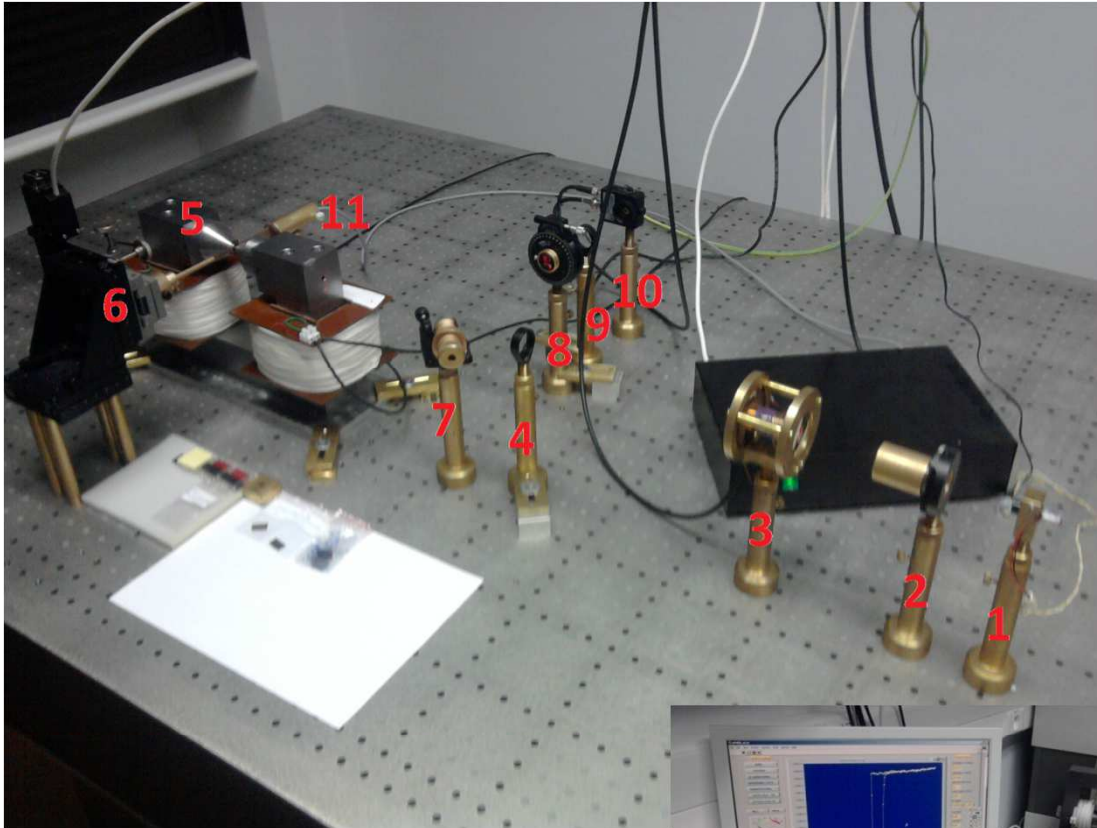
- Four point probe (4 pins) resistivity measurements (2 current / 2 voltage) with magnetic field up to 16 kOe
- Possibility to measure in coils using 11 points (2 current / 9 voltage) with magnetic field up to 0.3 kOe
- Current source 100 nA – 100  $\mu$ A



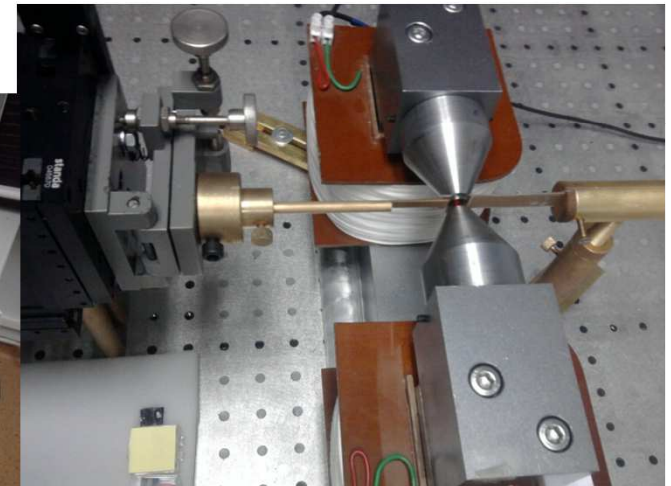
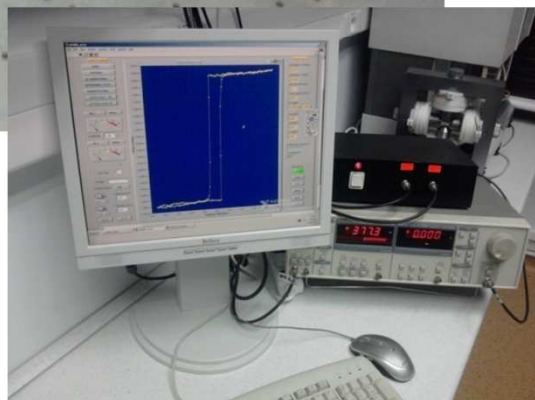
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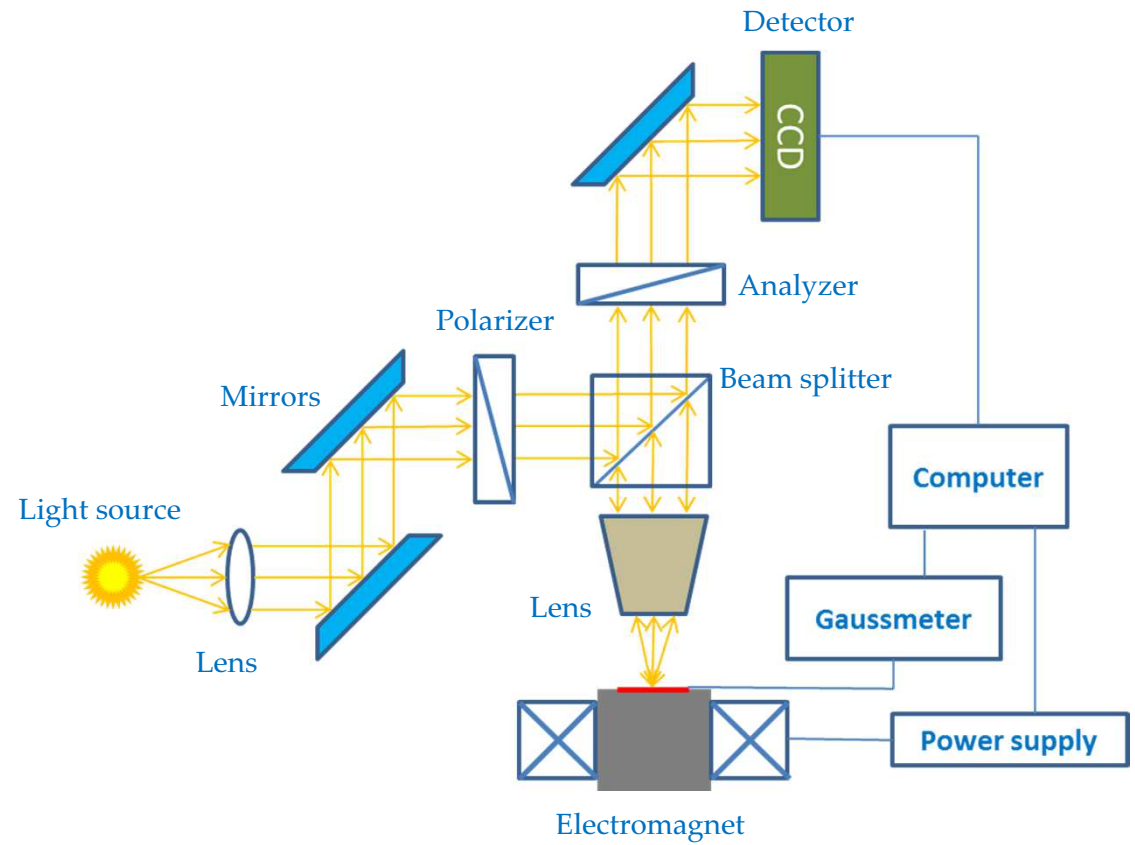


1. Laser diode
2. Polarizer
3. Modulator
4. Lens
5. Electromagnet
6. Sample holder and table
7. Mirror
8. Analyser
9. Lens
10. Detector (fotodiode)
11. Magnetic field sensor

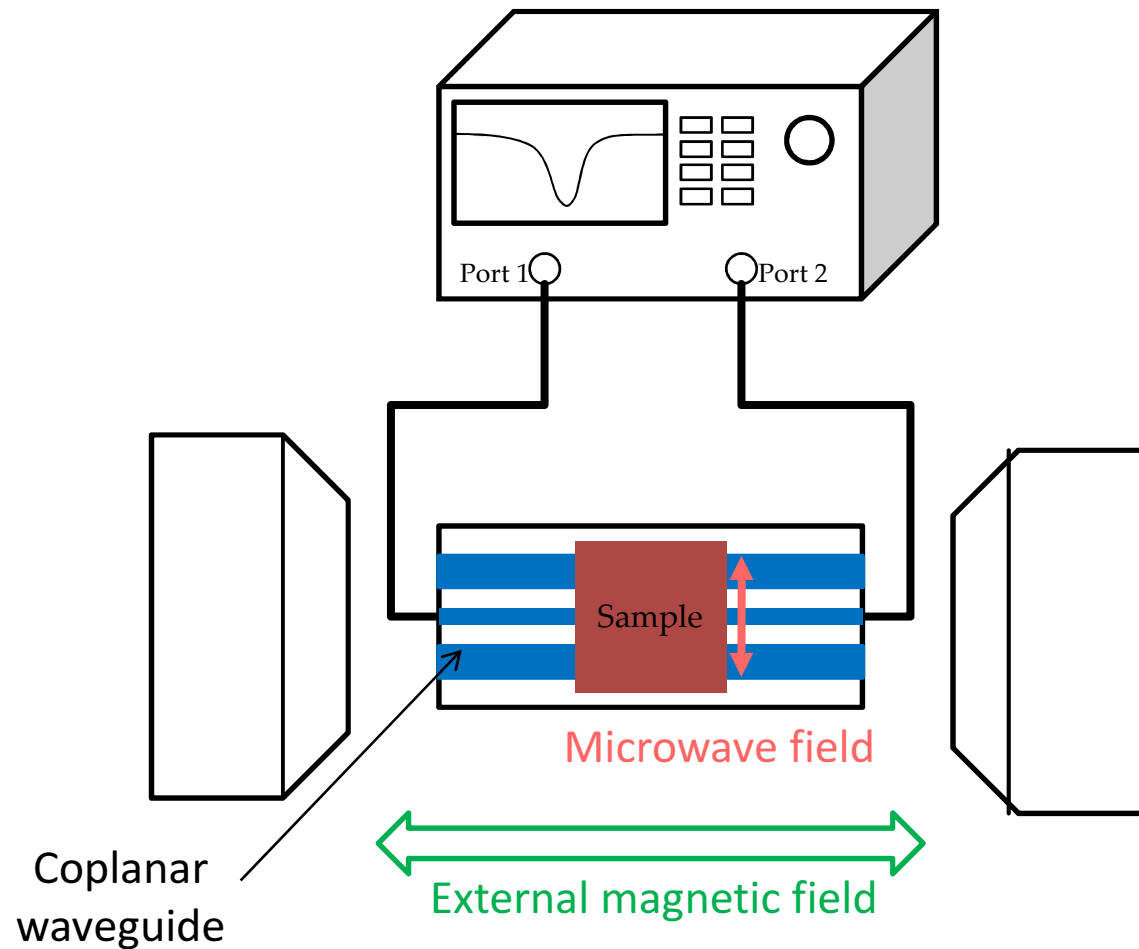




# MOKE - Microscopy



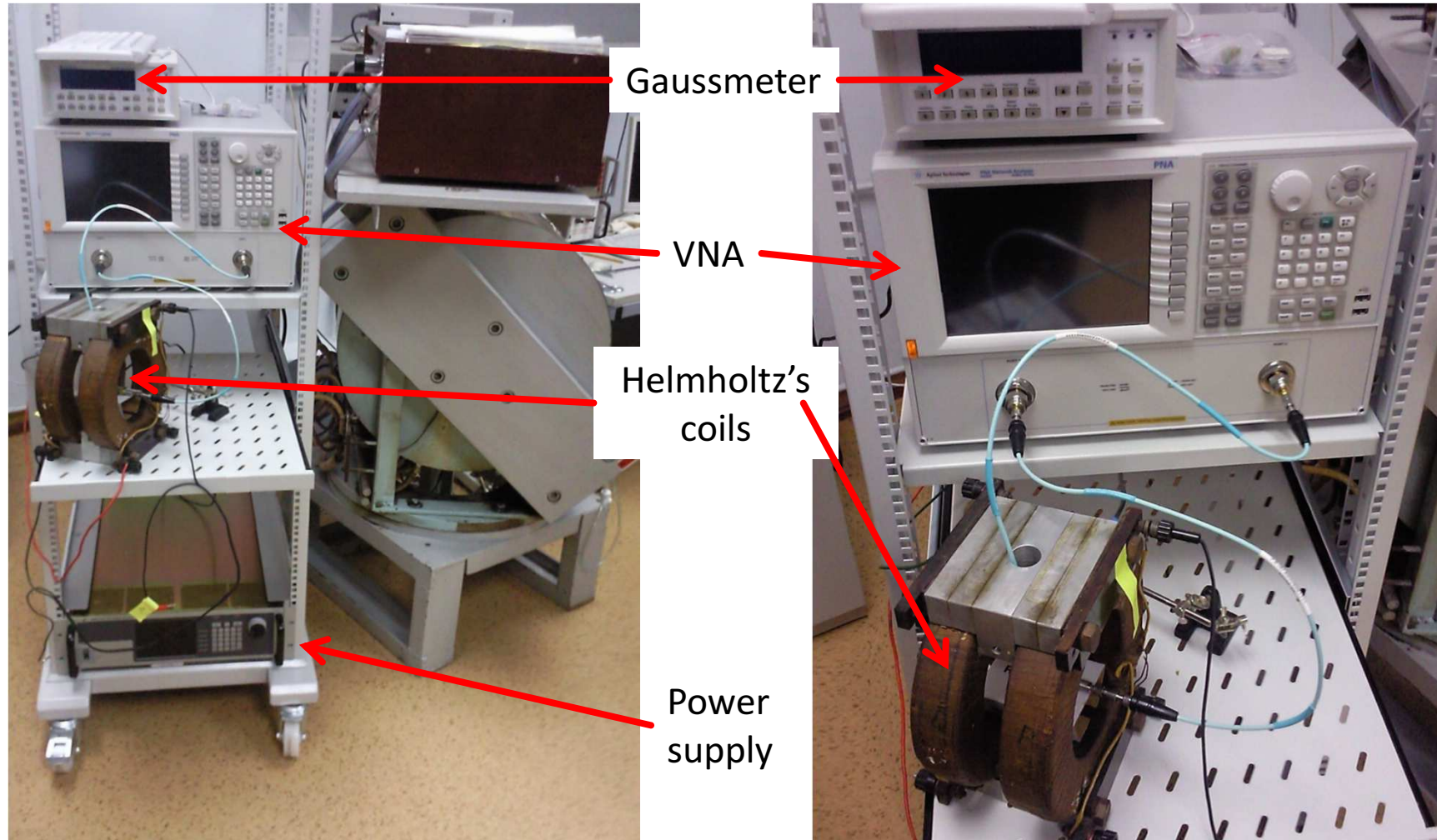
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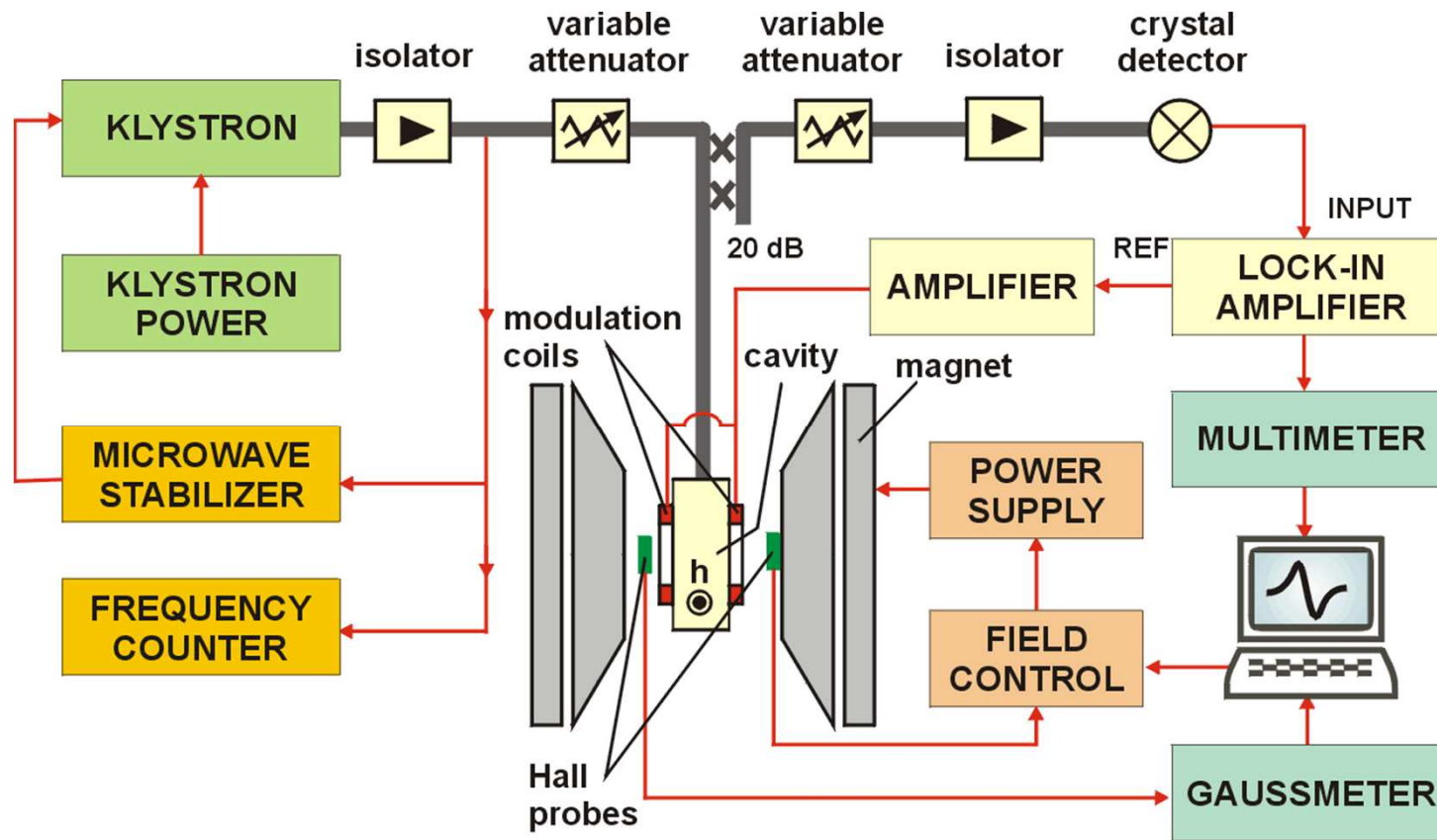
On frequency sweep  
FMR experiment  
magnetization vector  
does not change its  
direction

Frequency up to 40 GHz

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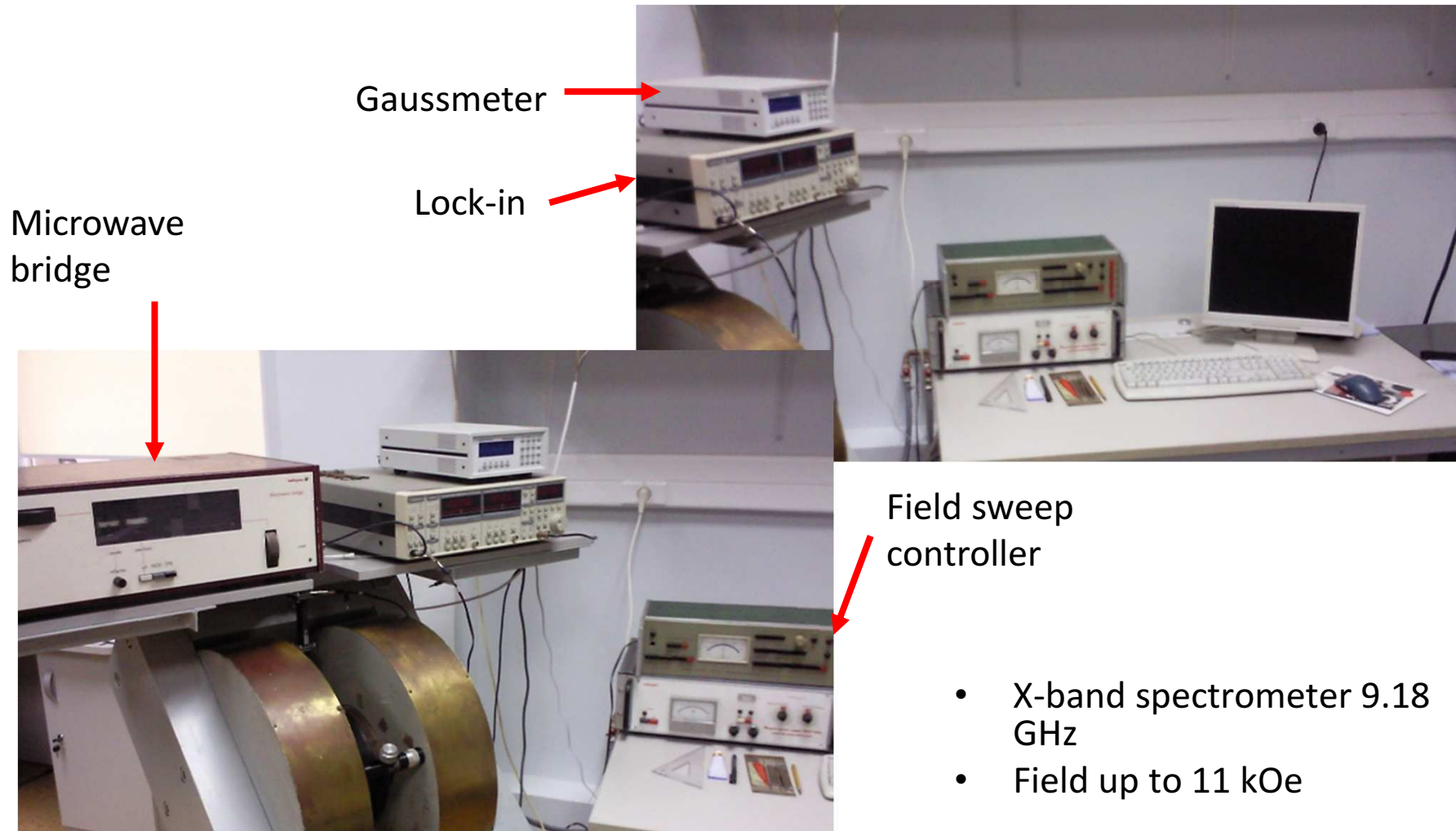


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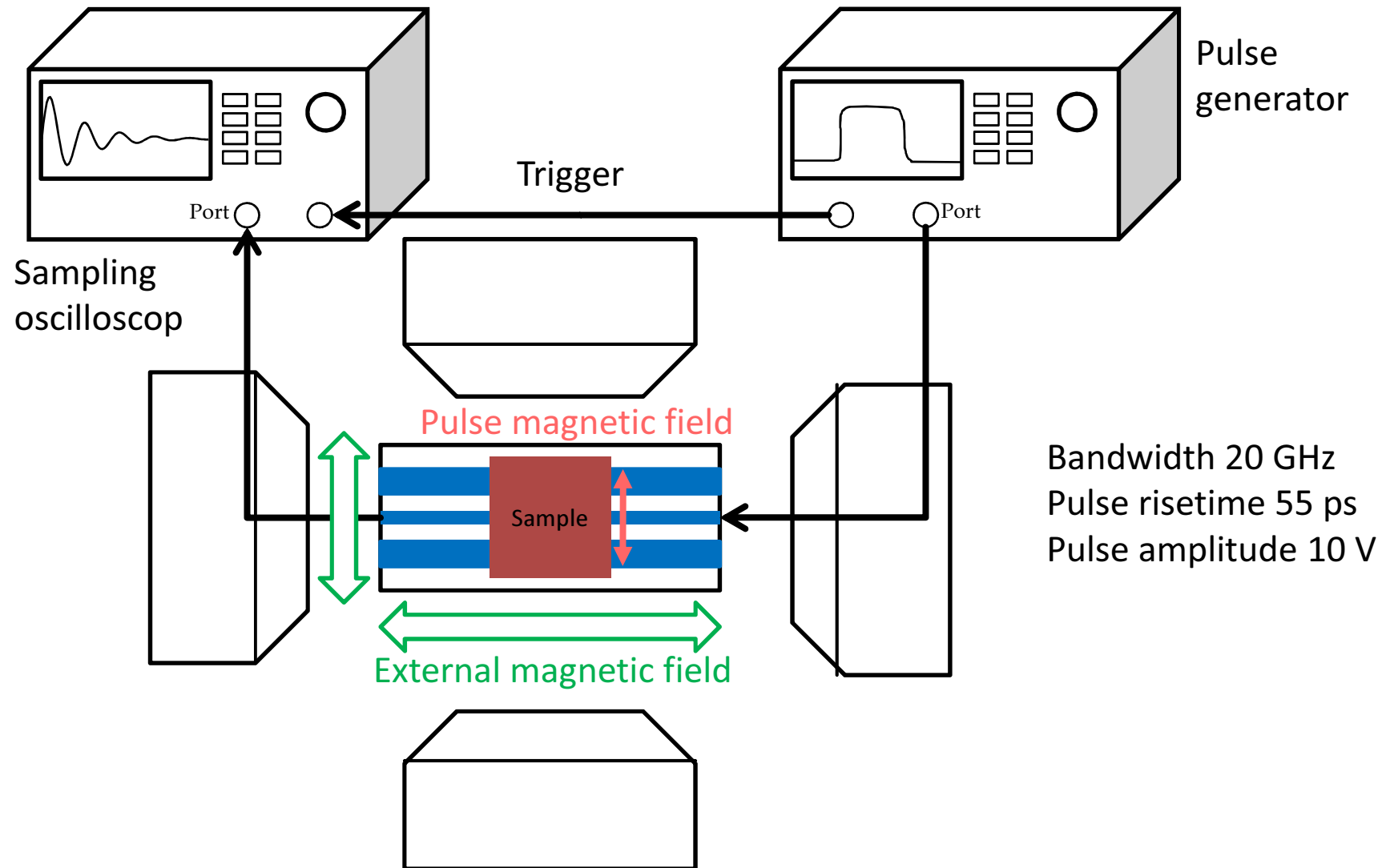


During field sweep FMR experiment magnetization vector changes its direction

# FMR



# PIMM



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Pulse generator

Oscilloscop

Helmholtz's coils

Power supply

