

#### **Plans for a Detector-Positioning Robot** at 7-ID-C



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#### New time-resolved microscopy instrument at 7-ID-C

Local and in situ structural characterization and control







X-ray

Li, et al. J. Synchrotron Rad. 26, 1790 (2019)

## Our need and requirements

- Conceptual needs:
  - Move moderately sized area detector
  - Cover large 3D range of reciprocal space (pitch, yaw, sampleto-detector distance) while facing square to sample
  - Fully decouple motion from nanodiffractometer stages
- Desired diffraction operation:
  - Give pitch, yaw (delta, nu) and sample-detector distance and robot just goes there
- Robot Requirements:
  - DOF: 6 axis
  - Sample payload: 10 kg
  - Reach: 500 to 2000 mm





## **Chosen Solution**

Vendor: Stäubli TX90L Integrator: Square One Systems Design







#### The robot



Model	TX2-90L
Degrees of freedom	6
Nominal load capacity	5 kg
Maximum load capacity*	15 kg
Reach at wrist	1200 mm
Repeatability	±0.035 mm
Protection class (*wrist)	IP65 (*IP67)
Attachment methods	360° mounting possibility







# Safety

 Keep out sensors/light curtains not feasible in this crowded hutch



- Software-designed exclusion zones

   To not hit hutch walls, etc.
- Current sensors in joints and collision sensor on end of arm
- Robot will only move "full speed" when hutch is searched and secured
  - Actually quite slow for a robot
- When hutch door open, motion possible only when controlled by a "teach pendant" at greatly reduced speed





#### **Detector cage** Securely hold and protect detector









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#### Video of robot in action

Left: view of robot Right: view of "detector" (video camera) pointed at "sample" (tooling ball)

Detector Robot and Sample Tracking.MOV

Disclaimers:

- Video from December, so there have been further improvements
- Video camera attached with only one screw so may have shifted slightly during filming





### **Remaining tasks**

- Finalize robot position to optimize range of motion
- EPICS integration
- Installation
- Commission
- Use!





# Thank you's

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