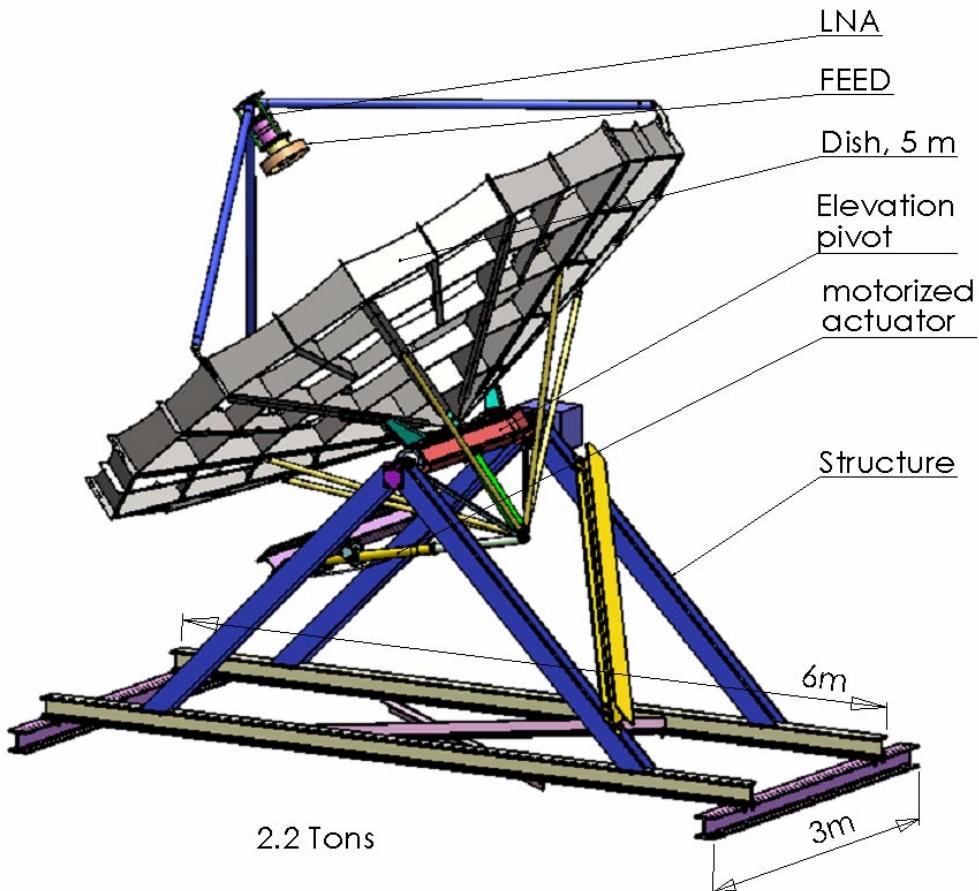


The prototype project PAON-4 (PAraboliques à l'Observatoire de Nançay) is designed to evaluate the feasibility and means to implement the mapping of BAO. It consists of four antennas of 5 m (motorized elevation).



Goal of PAON-4 antennas:

Lambda /50 @ 21 cm
Dish diameter : 5 m
F/D : 0,4

motorized elevation:
15°N to 38°S

Time of life :
10 years

The deployment of PAON-4

Before

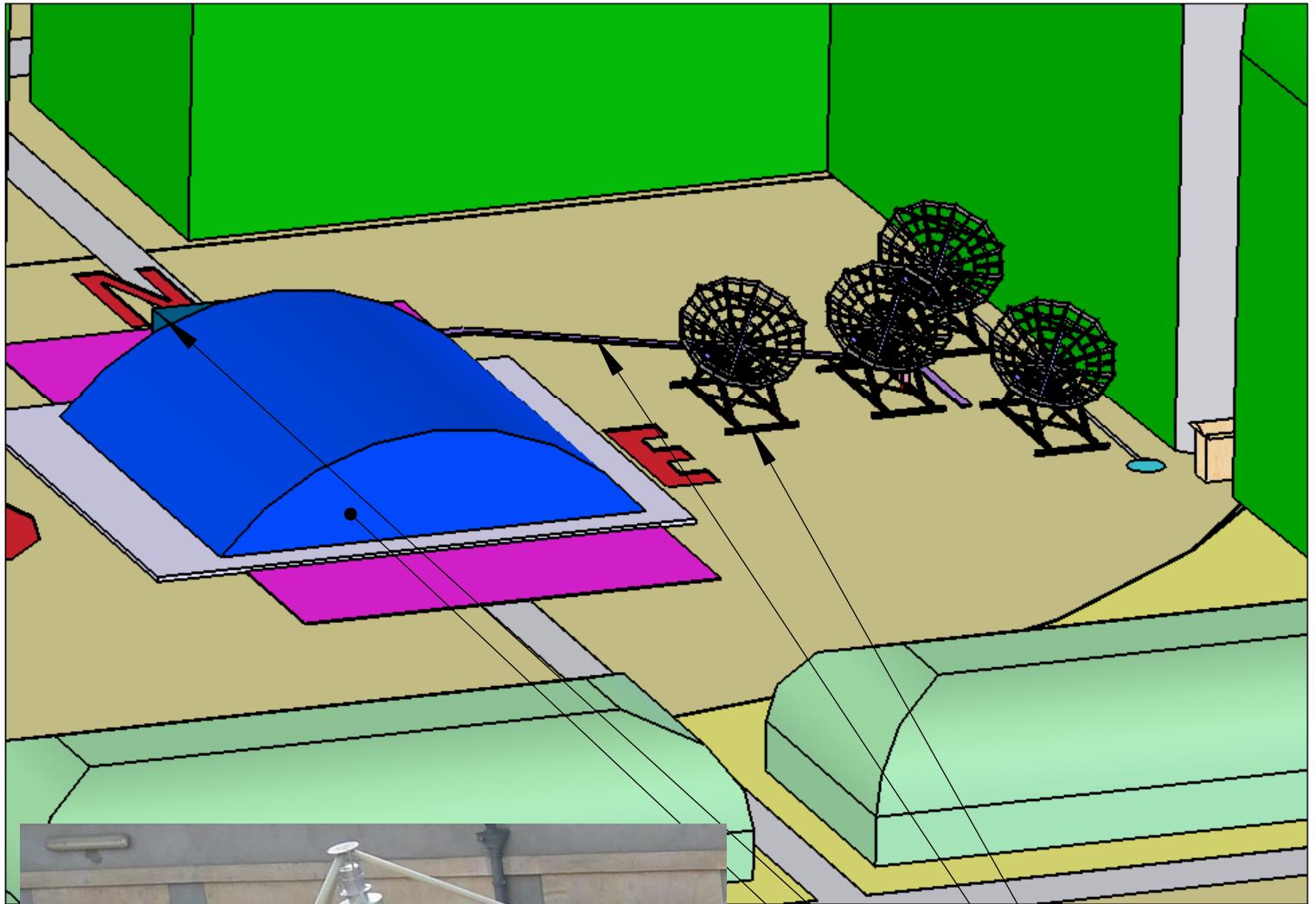


Fig. 1 : The goal,
september 2013

PAON antenna
Trench
Lan and electrical power
Embrace



Antenna prototype,
at Meudon, August 2013,

- mechanics,
- electronics
- embedded software
4 PAON antennas are
totally debugged at this time

PAON-4,
September 2013,
The first task of the deployment :

I need
A BIG team! NOW!

October 2013,
the mechanical assembly team :

Montage, AIT :

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PAON-4,

21 September 2013 to 13 december 2013

The deployment



Building the Structure



go up the pivot



truck part of the dish.

F. Rigaud, GEPI, Observatoire de Paris

PAON-4,

21 September 2013 to 13 december 2013

The deployment



It has rained all week



biting cold (-8°C, 17.6 Fahrenheit)

**Nothing can stop
a very good
team!**

in the dark

F. Rigaud, GEPI, Observatoire de Paris

PAON-4,
10 december 2014
State of the deployment



3 antennas (mounts, dishs, motorised actuator) are assemble finished

Next tasks:

- **To mount the last dish. (5 days)**
- **To adjust location and angle of the mount. (2 days)**
- **To excavate a Trench to lay the cables. (2 days)**
- **To plug lan and electrical power**
- **and playing**