

## Decay vessel - alternative design

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# The worry

Tolerances - (weld deformations ) - **Will it fit ?**

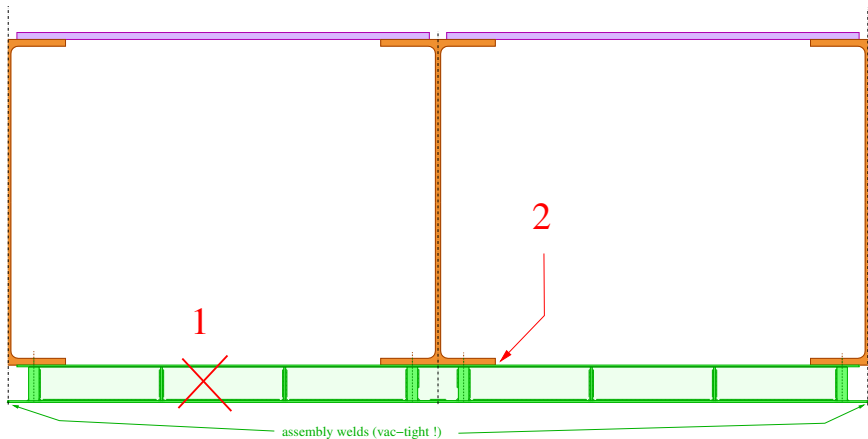
**Due to (personal view) requirements/challenges :**

- \* The bearing of a *liquid* scintillator
- \* Tank must be narrow (thus flexible, thus heavily loaded welds)

**This talk : alternative design :**

- \* Personal initiative ; unsolicited (.. and thus no CAD)
- \* Based on *hypothesis* : drop the 2 requirements
- \* Write-up : [CERN-SHiP-INT-2021-002](#)

## Already some ideas in 2017 ; what has changed ?



1. Vacuum liner no longer as sandwich, but as monolithic sheet.
2. Liner now welded to beam (still some studs, to pull liner compact).

# Philosophy

Sandwich of **sheets** to provide stiffness.

Skeleton of **beams** : starting base, spacing of sheets (shear-proof anchoring), corner moment.

Large spacing, generous stiffness : lower shear, connection to Spectrometer vactank.

Inner sheet = vacuum liner.

Void volume : for scintillator blocks/plates.

Outer sheet = cover, must be dismountable, so : bolted (to beams).

(Inner sheet connected to beam by – intermittent – welds.)

**Portals** (51 in total) of 4 beams erected in situ.

Frustum : portals increase in size , beams aligned “skew” .

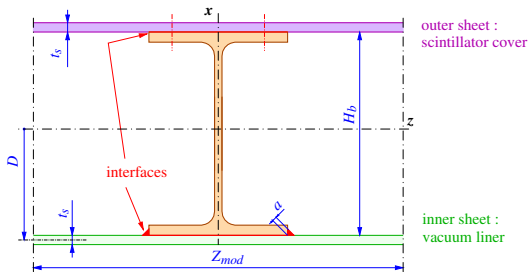
Vacuum liner sheet machined at edges , as wide as possible (  $\approx 2$  m).

Scint. cover sheet half as wide.

Cover sheets see unprecise beams : shimming, light tightness.

Vessel = **train wagon** on array of bogies :  $z$ -stroke , height adaptation, single  $z$ -constraining.

## Dimensioning 1/6 : modular bit of (side) wall



$$\text{mom. inertia : } I = I_b + 2 Z_{mod} t_s D^2$$

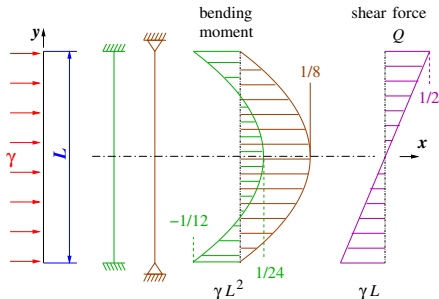
$$\text{static moment : } S = Z_{mod} t_s D$$

$$\text{line load : } \gamma = p Z_{mod}$$

$$\text{shear force : } Q(y) = \gamma y$$

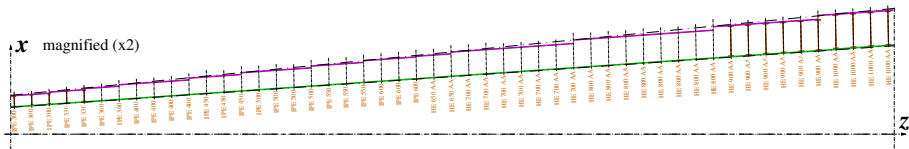
$$\text{shear flux : } f_{sh}(y) = Q(y) \frac{S}{I}$$

$$\text{(hinged-end) sagitta} = \frac{5 \gamma L^4}{384 E I}$$



## Dimensioning 2/6 : side wall of frustum

$$Z_{mod} = 0.99 \text{ m}$$



aperture (inner envelope) :  $x_{ap} = 0.0348 z + 0.76 \text{ m}$  (traditional)

outer envelope :  $x_{out} = 0.0492 z + 1.10 \text{ m}$  (shocking !)

Careful !  $z = 0$  at start of vessel

Beams : standard I/H , but lightweight

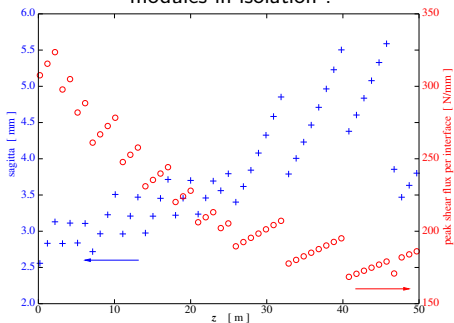
Sheets :  $t_s = 16 \text{ mm}$  ( 25 in the last 3 units )

# Dimensioning 3/6 : side wall : performance

Total free span  $L$  along  $y$  :

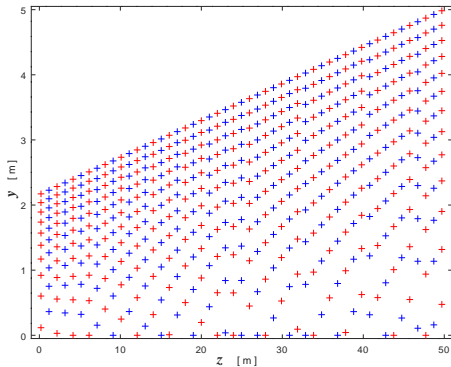
$$L = 2 y_{ap} \quad y_{ap} = 0.0568 z + 2.16 \text{ m}$$

modules in isolation !

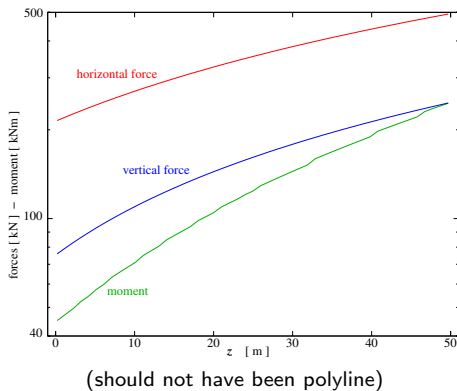
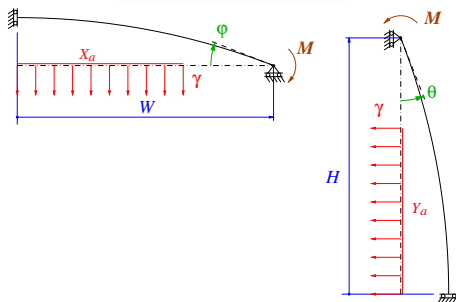
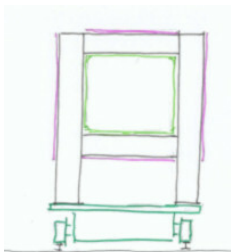


( 300 N/mm is a meaningful shear flux ! )

scintillator cover sheet : bolt pattern  
(assumptions in Note)

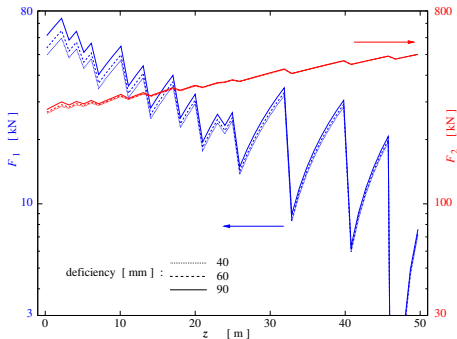
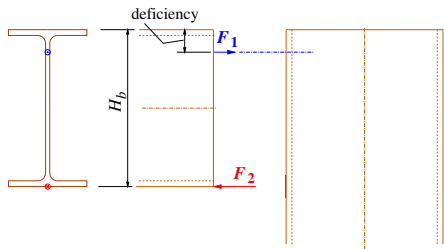


## Dimensioning 4/6 : portal : corner forces and moment





## Dimensioning 5/6 : portal corner : connector forces

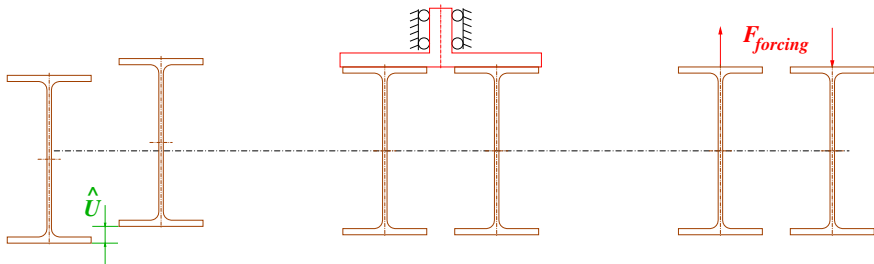


(should not have been polyline)

## Dimensioning 6/6 : various

See Note for details

**Elastic forcing** (beams are not precise). Is possible, but tooling must be prepared.



**Vacuum liner :**

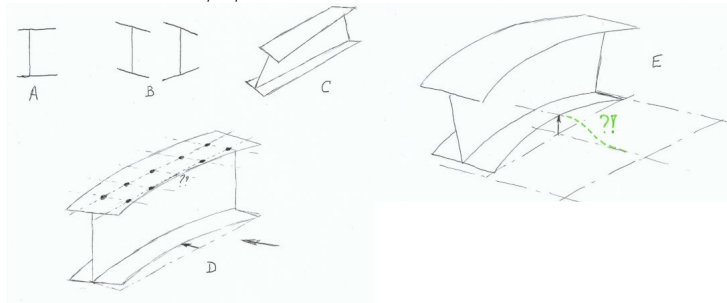
- ▶ tearing away from beam under “vacuum” load ?
- ▶ risk of buckling under axial compression ?

Mild problems. No need for *intense* stiffening / cross-bracing.

# Tolerances / machining

**Sheets** : machining (vacuum liner : welding lip!)

**Beams** : harmful : B, C, E



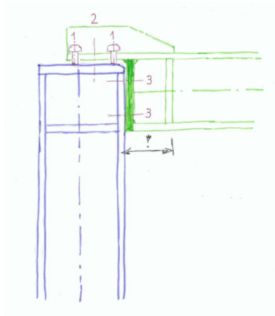
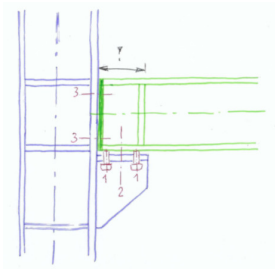
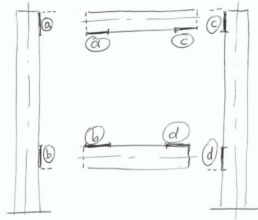
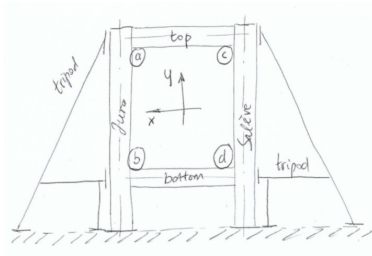
**Portal preparation :**

- ▶ Local stiffeners and flange plates : added by welding
- ▶ Machining : through holes (only ?? hopefully yes ; to be tested)

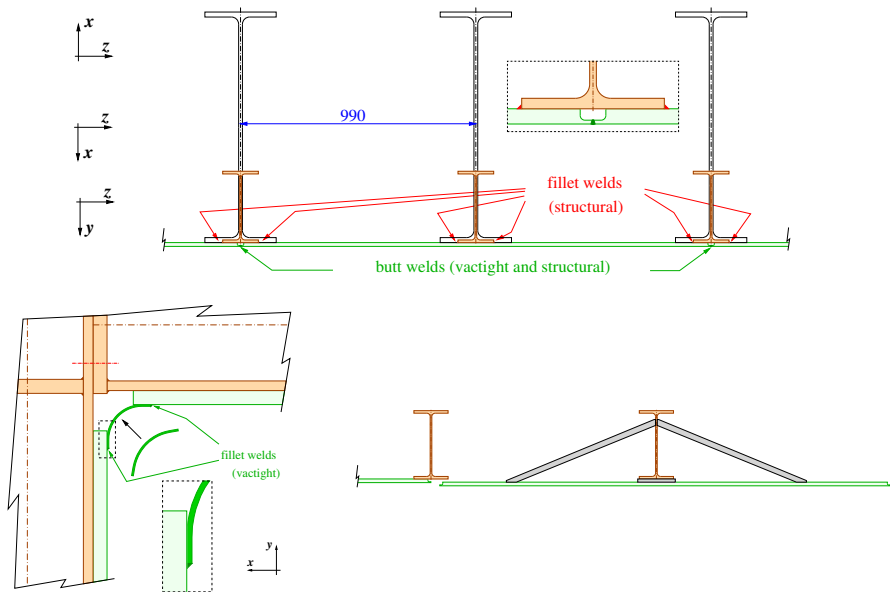
**Assembly and welding :**

- ▶ Items always positioned against absolute coordinates, by surveying. Never against arrest.
- ▶ Thus : no tolerance pile-up

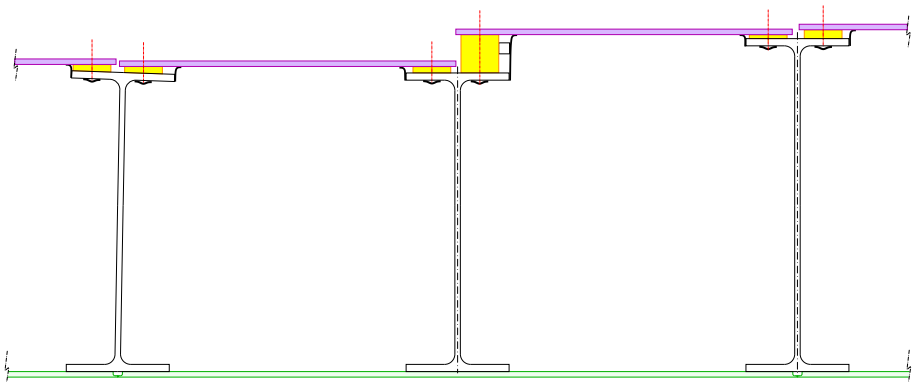
# Assembly 1/3 : Portal erection



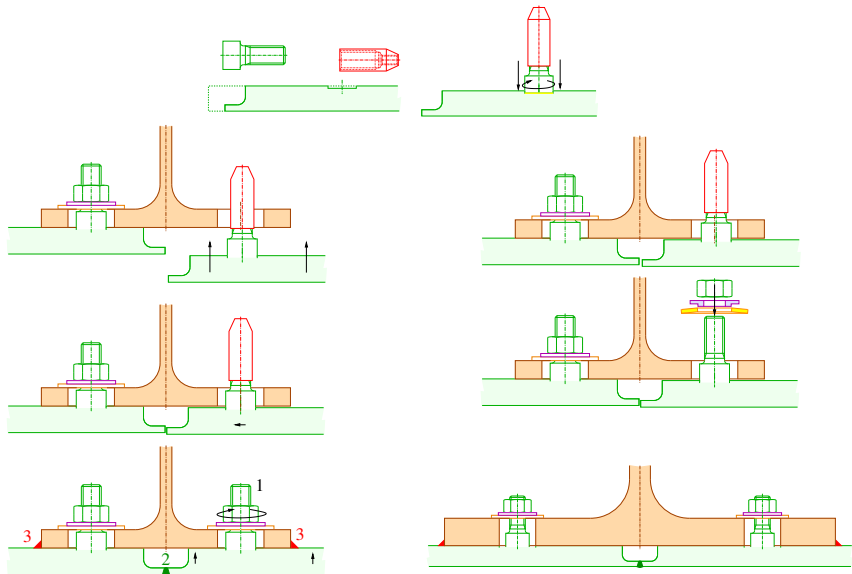
## Assembly 2/3 : Vacuum liner



## Assembly 3/3 : (Bolting of) scintillator cover

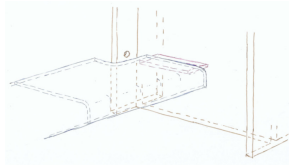
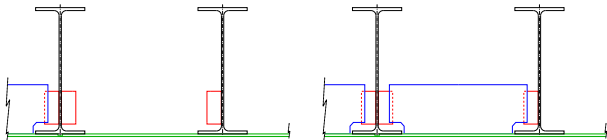


## Special topics 1/4 : pull vacliner compact (before welding..)

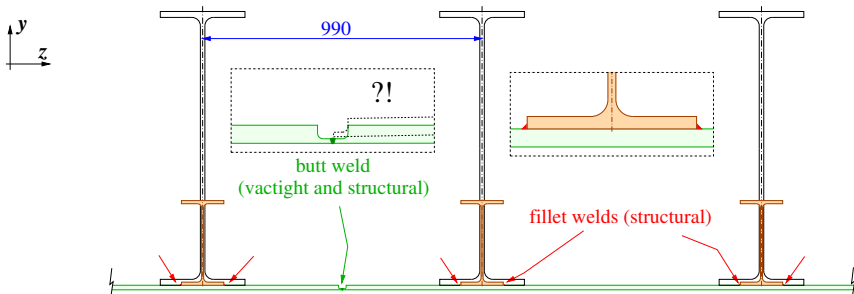


## Special topics 2/4

(some..) cross-bracing



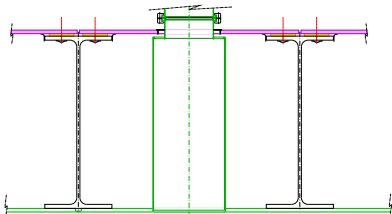
avoid over-the-head welding



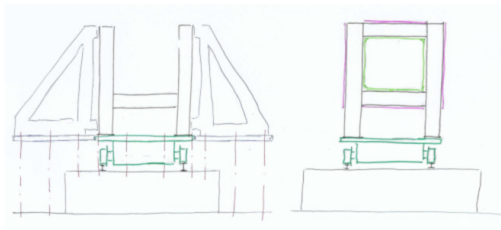


## Special topics 3/4

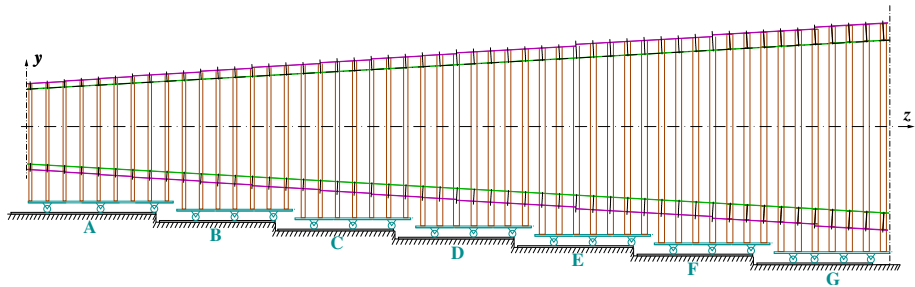
pumping stud (DN200)



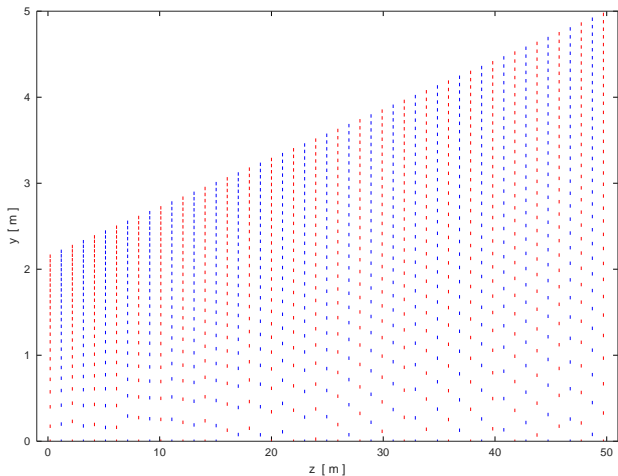
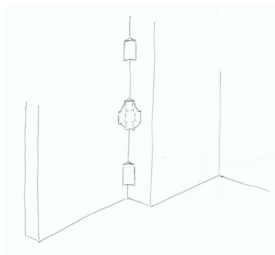
vessel parts on bogies (at height)



## Special topics 4/4 : vessel as a train (wagon)



## Appendix 1/3 : intermittent fillet welds vacuum liner to beam



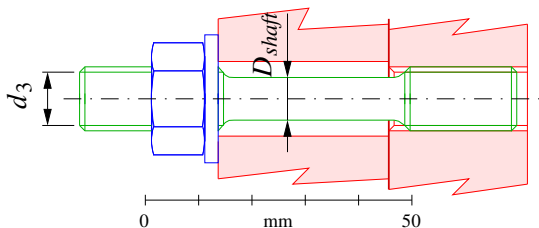
## Appendix 2/3 : mass/size inventory

assigned to bogie :	$y_{bogie}$ [ m ]	modules :	mass [ t ]
A	-4.30	1 - 9	39.8
B	-4.80	10 - 16	41.4
C	-5.29	17 - 23	52.5
D	-5.75	24 - 30	66.2
E	-6.25	31 - 37	78.0
F	-6.74	38 - 44	90.7
G	-7.25	45 - 51	122.1
<b>grand total</b>			<b>490.6</b>

### Largest/heaviest items

item	module	notes	length [ m ]	mass [ kg ]
top/bottom beam	51	HE 1000 AA	4.98	1106
side beam	51	HE 1000 AA	13.26	2944
vacliner sheet, top/bottom	50 & 51	25 mm , 1.98 m	avg. 4.95	1936
vacliner sheet, side	50 & 51	25 mm , 1.98 m	avg. 9.91	3875
scint.cover, top/bottom	51	25 mm , 0.99 m	4.98	974
scint.cover, side	51	25 mm , 0.99 m	11.96	2339

## Appendix 3/3 : pre-tensioned studs for scintillator cover



	<b>M12</b> ( $\times 1.75$ )	<b>M16</b> ( $\times 2$ )	<b>M20</b> ( $\times 2.5$ )
$d_3$ [ mm ]	9.853	13.546	17.933
$D_{shaft}$ [ mm ]	8.4	11.5	15.2
$F_{n,stud}$ [ kN ]	44.3	83.1	145.2

Hydraulic tensioning cylinder :  
[click here for demo video \(in Web browser\)](#)