Choice of materials

After have taken vision of the supplied documentation, about the job to realize, we began the study with the choice of the appropriate materials to use.

The choice of materials have also been conditioned by the Clean Room (class 10.000) requirements in which the assembly of the detectors will be done.

For the Plate, aluminum ALCOA Alca Plus has been choosen because it has a good dimensional stability also after machining; the ALCOA slabs are obtained from fusion and then they go through a thermal process in furnace in order to get the stresses relief, after the slabs are grinded on the two surfaces to obtain an exceptional flatness, its



lightness offers a remarkable advantage in the realization of equipments.

Stainless-steel rods (to avoid rust) of AISI-304 diameter 12h6 x 30mm, grinded and calibrated are used to position the tubes.

After a market survey on industrial vacuum systems we choose our suckers from Vuototecnica catalog, those are bellow shaped in silicones rubber, because they better attach on the aluminum tubes, the force applied is 6N.

The remaining parts are in aluminum Anticorodal (Al Si 1 Mg Mn) in agreement to lightness and mechanical strength needed.



The choice of adhesive was driven from the kind of metals to join together aluminum/stainless-steel and the request to have a very low shrinkage 1-2% and was on ARALDITE 2014 (epoxy bicomponent); also duration on time mechanical strength and viscosity were correct.



Dimensioning of the Precision Comb

On the base of the given dimensions of the Plate driven from the dimensions of the Suckers that we have to put inside the plate ,we have to fix what is the best position of the feet to obtain the minimal sagitta of the comb .

We consider the plate like a supported beam ; first of all we calculate the Inertia momentum and the the sagitta putting the feet at the extremities of the plate , this calculation will be done with the software Autocad 2000 Power Pack and will be checked with hand calculation based on the Vademecuum L.Baldassini, and the handbook Cremonese .

Own weight= 26 N Alcoa Plate = 0.046 N/mm Steel Rods Ø12x30 = 0.3 N x 19 = 5.7 N = 0.010 N/mm AISI 304 MDT tubes weight (19 tubes) on comb = 8.2 N = 0.015 N/mm





the result is around 1.4×10^{-3} mm.

Now we try to improve the sagitta putting the feet in the Bessel Points that we can get from the Scienze of Construction book Vol.1 - O.Belluzzi

page 337 exercise 214 - case "g"; the calculated distance between feet is 314 mm, and the sagitta is :





We see that there is a nice improvemt of the sagitta 0.03×10^{-3} mm the gain factor is : $1.4 \times 10^{-3} / 0.03 \times 10^{-3} = 46$ so we plan to realize the Precision Comb in this situation.

Drawings of the Precision Comb

We realize the assembly and the detail drawings using Autodesk Inventor 5, a 3D parametric CAD softare.





Comb construcion

Here two short animation of the construcion procedure in .mpeg





Some photos

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