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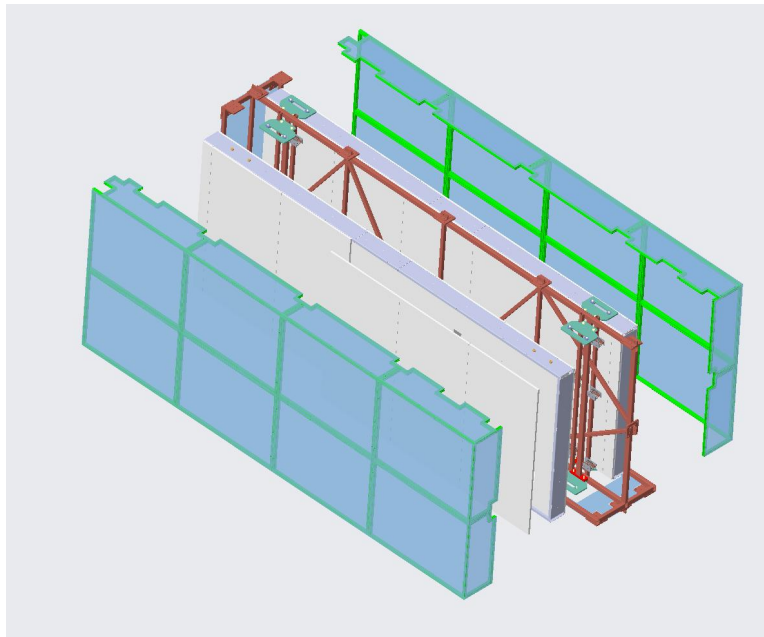
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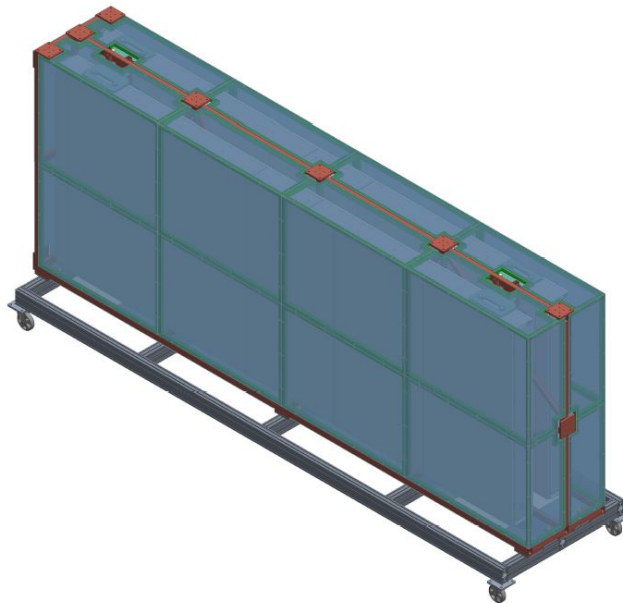
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26 **1 Introduction**

27 The APA shipping frame has an extensive list of requirements to protect two APAs positioned end-to-  
28 end (one top and one bottom) on their journey from the factory into the clean room in the detector hall.  
29 The size of the package and rigging hardware is modestly constrained by the headframe at the Ross  
30 Shaft and more significantly constrained by US/UK/EU over-road shipping and below-the-hook fixture  
31 standards. The current design of the shipping frame and packaging is shown in Figure 1.



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34 **Figure 1 - The current design (top) of the APA shipping frame (rust color), APAs, removable side frames (green) and covers**  
35 **(grey) with two APAs covered with protective panels (light grey).<sup>1</sup> A frame mounted on a horizontal transport cart as used in**  
36 **the factories and the drafts at SURF. (Peter Sutcliffe and George Stavrakis)**



37 Motion during shipping and possible handling conditions will be the source of the largest acceleration on  
38 the load, and that a spring system is required to dampen the maximum anticipated acceleration to 4g to  
39 avoid damage to the APA frames.<sup>4</sup> The natural frequencies of the loaded frame should be sufficiently  
40 different from the repeated driven vibrations expected from shipping so as to not induce large  
41 amplitude oscillations of the mounted APAs or the shipping frame. Another plausible source of  
42 acceleration to the load would be an accidental drop of modest height during handled or a similar  
43 impact. Note that the maximum emergency braking deceleration in the Ross Shaft is 2g, so handling and  
44 shipping are expected to be the limiting operations.

45 The US APA production will be packed individually on pallets and shipped via truck from the APA  
46 factories, to temporary warehouses, and eventually shipped the South Dakota Warehouse Facility  
47 (SDWF) near Rapid City when that site is available for APA use. The shipping frames from the UK will be  
48 packed in pairs inside wooden crates for shipping; they then will be stored in a warehouse before being  
49 trucked to the port of Liverpool, eventually transported by ship to the port of Baltimore, and then  
50 shipped by truck to SDWF.

51 Upon arrival in South Dakota the crates will be visually inspected for damage and logging devices  
52 checked for excessive accelerations by APA consortia-designated personnel or SD-based laboratory staff.  
53 We also want to allow for tests of the APA in the SDWF warehouse that would involve removing a  
54 portion of the removable side frames, a portion of the hermetic wrapping, and a protection panel at the  
55 head for each APA. The APAs are tested inside the crates, the APAs are then resealed, and the covers  
56 replaced. This inspection will require a basic class 100,000 clean room large enough for a UK crate plus  
57 sufficient working space. They are then placed for long-term storage in appropriately controlled  
58 conditions (only modest temperature/pressure swings to avoid condensation within the wrapped APAs)  
59 and until needed underground. In some cases they could be stored for three years or longer.

60 When required underground, the UK frames will be stripped of their wooden crating, placed on a pallet,  
61 tarped, and then transported via flatbed trailer to the Ross Headframe. At the headframe the truck will  
62 be backed into the shaft enclosure. The APA frame will be lifted by a monorail-mounted hoist and  
63 spreader beam, turned, moved to a position with one end below the cage, and set on the floor. The end  
64 of the frame under the cage (upper end) will be attached to the hooks below the cage and will be used  
65 to lift the crate from horizontal to vertical and pull it into the shaft until vertically slung below the cage.  
66 The shipping frame must be designed to clear the headframe during this operation. The other end  
67 (lower end) will be will be hung from a telescoping (boom) truck that controls the frame as is it rotated  
68 to vertical and into the shaft. This will be very similar to the rotation operation performed with the  
69 ProtoDUNE-SP APAs at CERN. When in the shaft, fixturing on the sides of the crate must engage the  
70 wooden guides in the shaft to provide control against swinging or rotating during lowering.

71 Upon arrival underground, the rigging operation will be reversed and the frame will be pulled out of the  
72 shaft and landed on the opposite long edge of the frame than what was used on the surface. The crate  
73 will be placed on a transport cart and rolled down the drift to the cavern. The loaded frame and cart  
74 must be stable while moved down the drift, which has some inclined surfaces.

75 When in the cavern, the APAs will be rotated to vertical, mounted on a vertical cart, inspected, and  
76 temporarily stored in the cavern for up to a few weeks.

77 At the SAS, outer layers of plastic sheeting will be removed and the carts wheels are cleaned. The APAs  
78 are then rolled into the clean room and integrated with photon detectors (PDs) and tested. The APAs  
79 are then unloaded from the frames and mounted onto the integration workstation. The vertical cart  
80 must allow a single APA to be removed from the frame and still remain stable.

81 The shipping frames are then returned to the surface, then to the SDWF, and finally are possibly shipped  
82 back to the APA factories for the second module's production in the US if the first installation happened  
83 while the factories are still in production. Cost effectiveness for a similar operation is still to be  
84 determined for the UK frames. Any frames not designated for reused will be cut up, and brought to the  
85 surface inside the cage (instead of slung) allowing for more efficient use of the shaft.

## 86 **2 Use cases**

### 87 **Use case 1: Loading APAs at the factory**

88 At the factory, APAs are covered in protective panels. Two APAs are individually loaded onto the  
89 shipping frame with an overhead crane or forklift. The APAs are loaded end-for-end swapped for  
90 balance and eventual top-bottom mating. The shipping frames must be stable while loaded with a single  
91 APA, which is be aided by securing to a "horizontal" cart with a wider wheel base than the frame itself  
92 (Figure 1). The carts also ease movement within the factory sites. APA pairs are mounted into the  
93 frame's mounts and secured. The outer removable covers (green parts in Figure 1) must be able to be  
94 efficiently installed with protection in place to ensure that they and cannot damage the APAs during  
95 their installation. Then the shipping frame is covered in plastic sheeting covered except for locations to  
96 access pick and bearing points.

97 The loaded frame is then packaged for shipping. In the UK two shipping frames are placed on a pallet  
98 and then surrounded with wooden panels to form a shipping crate with exposed sling/fork pockets. The  
99 crate is then covered with a tarp.<sup>3</sup> In the US the frames are loaded onto a pallet. They are then covered  
100 (current model is they are sealed with plastic sheeting and/or a plywood skin – blue-grey in Figure 1)  
101 and secured.

### 102 **Use case 2: Shipping the APAs to load warehouses and eventually to South Dakota**

103 The packaged frame is loaded onto a trailer for shipment with either a forklift or slings from an overhead  
104 crane depending on the site.

105 In the US, the packaged frame is shipped covered (either roll-sided trailers or tarped on a flatbed trailer)  
106 and transported to a local warehouse. When the SDWF (a TBD location regional to SURF) has availability  
107 for APA occupancy (currently estimated to be late 2023) the crates are then covered in the same way  
108 and transported to the SDWF.

109 In the UK, the crated frames are similarly moved a local warehouse. When space is available in the US,  
110 they will be loaded onto a ship in Liverpool and delivered to Baltimore. The crates are then covered  
111 (either roll-sided trailers or tarped on a flatbed trailer) and transported to the SDWF.

112 The frame and crating must be designed for the maximum expected dynamic loads during shipping. This  
113 is anticipated to define the design for the acceleration damping system. The crates must incorporate a  
114 spring system that will lower the expected accelerations to no more than 4g to ensure that the APAs are  
115 not damaged in transport.<sup>4</sup> The crates and transport frames will need to incorporate multi-dimensional  
116 monitoring instrumentation to verify the crates and APAs have not undergone excessive acceleration  
117 during transport.

### 118 **Use case 3: Testing and storage in the warehouse**

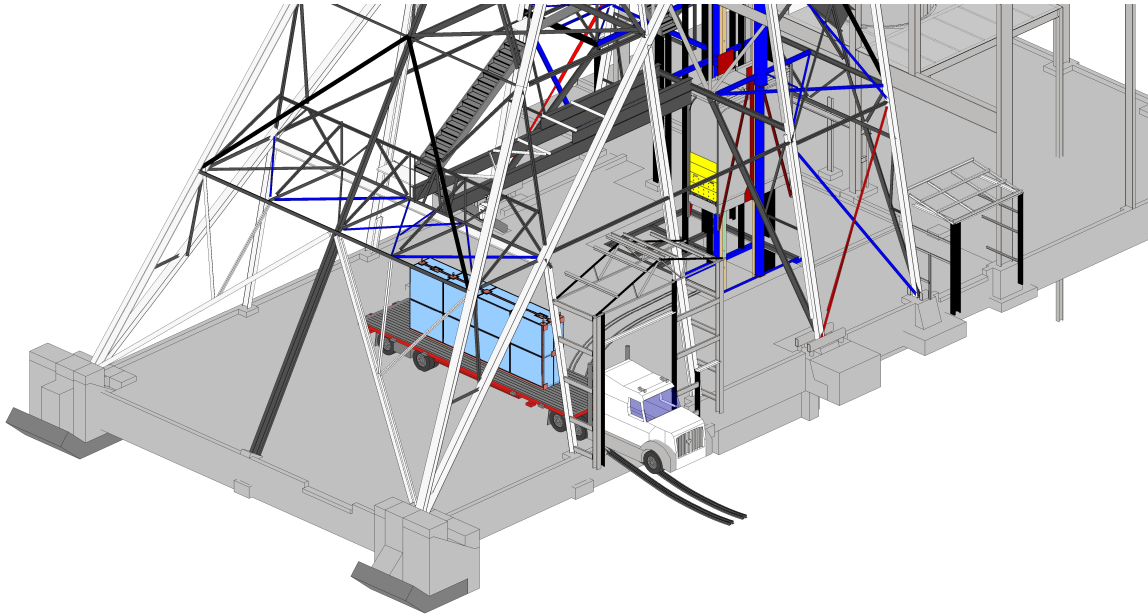
119 Upon arrival to the local warehouses and to the SDWF the crates are visually inspected for damage and  
120 any logging devices checked for excessive accelerations in transit.

121 The crating and frame designs should allow for efficient continuity and isolation tests of the APAs in the  
122 warehouse by APA consortium members. We may also tension test the initial APAs if the electrical  
123 stimulation method is viable. At some point we may decide that experience renders these tests as no  
124 longer valuable, but the capabilities must be in place for at least the initial phases of shipping. The tests  
125 involve removing a portion of the shipping crate, cutting the plastic wrap, and removing a protective  
126 panel for each APA to expose the head boards. The APAs are tested inside the crates, the protective  
127 covers replaced, and the frame is resealed. This inspection will require a basic clean room (class  
128 100,000) large enough for a UK crate and work space around the crate to remove sides and access head  
129 boards (roughly 7m by 5m). The APAs are then placed in long-term storage at SDWF until needed  
130 underground. In some cases they maybe be stored for three years or longer. We do not intend for  
131 loaded crates to be tilted or stacked, and the crating should be labeled accordingly.

132 The environmental specifications are intended to ensure that temperature swings are limited to keep  
133 relative humidity low enough to avoid condensation within the wrapped APAs. A 50% relative humidity  
134 at 20C (68F) the temperature would have to drop to about 8C (46F) before the humidity would hit the  
135 condensation point. 50% relative humidity in summer and 40% in winter are fairly ordinary household  
136 conditions so they should obtainable. If this turns out to be unrealistic or expensive due to the type of  
137 warehouse, other combination of temperature and humidity specifications can be found (depending on  
138 what *can* be maintained within the warehouse).

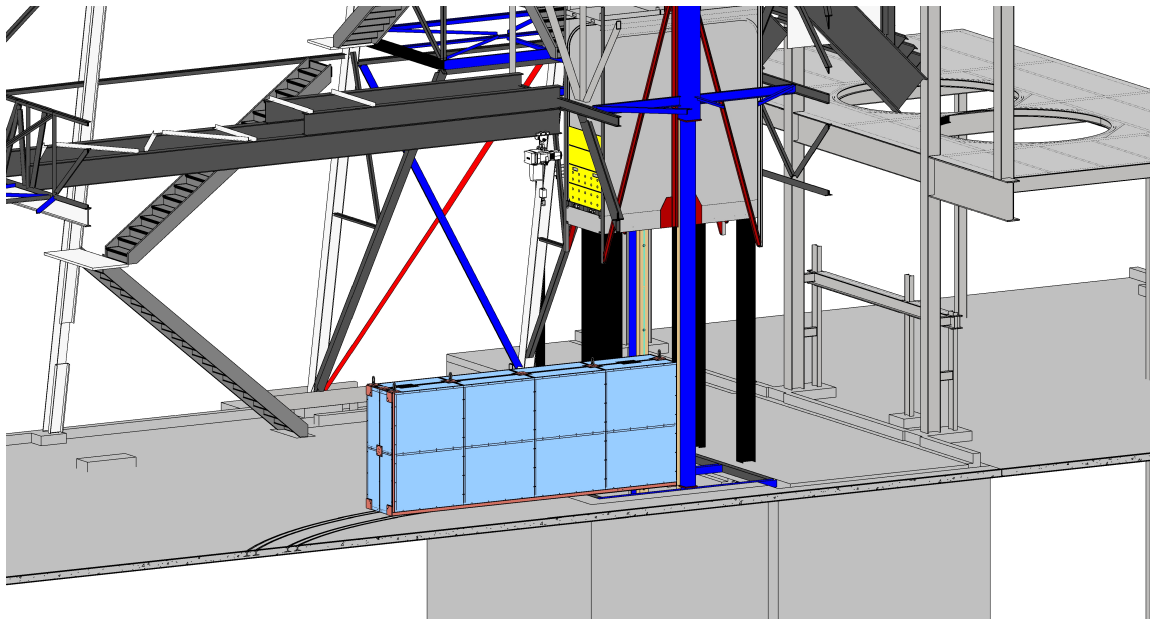
### 139 **Use case 4: Transport to the Ross Shaft**

140 Prior to transport to the Ross Shaft, the exterior wooden shipping box for the UK frames is removed in  
141 the warehouse and discarded and the frames are placed on US-style pallets. Frames are loaded onto a  
142 trailer by forklift or craned onto a flatbed trailed, covered, and driven for a couple-hour drive to the Ross  
143 Shaft. The trailer backs into the lift door at the headframe (Fig 2). The APAs packages are uncovered,  
144 with a spreader beam mounted on a hoist on the overhead rail and are rotated to be in line with the  
145 cage and placed at the shaft (Figure 3).



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147 **Figure 2 – An APA shipment being delivered to the shaft station. (Justin Freitag)**

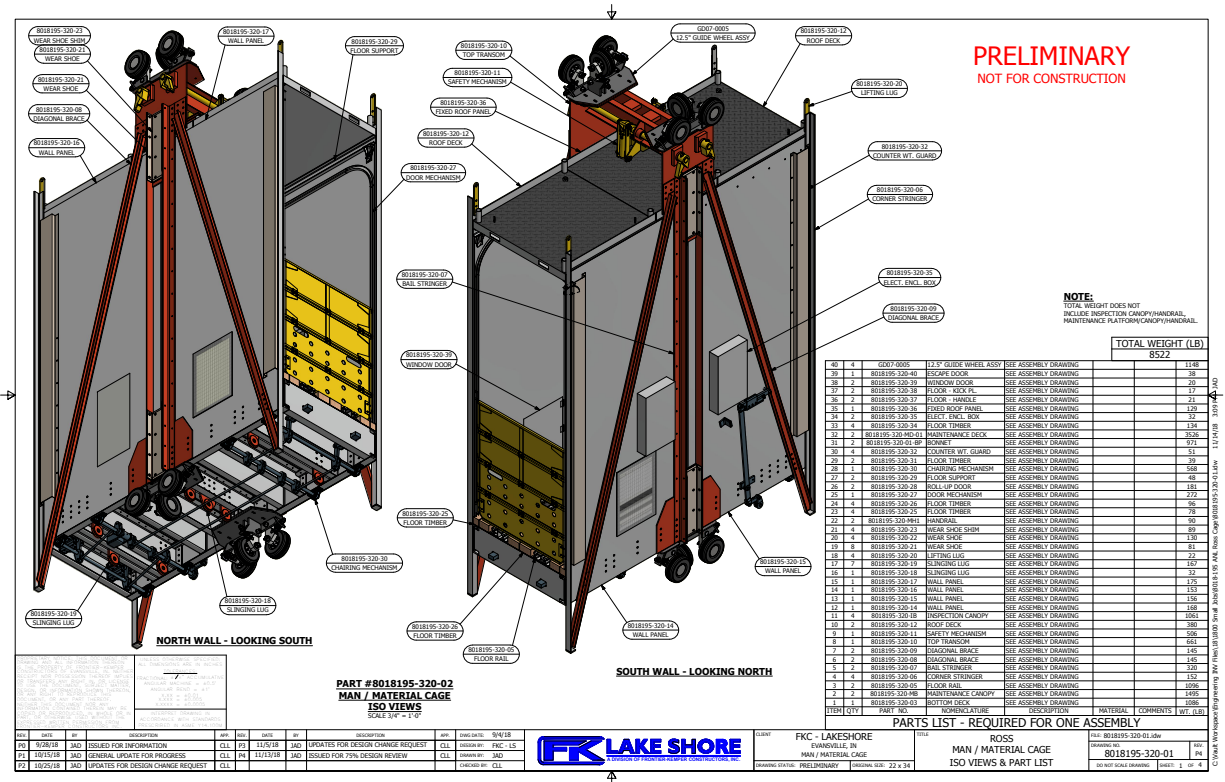


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149 **Figure 3 - The shipping frame is rotated 90 degrees and moved to that shaft with "upper" end located below the hooks**  
 150 **underneath the cage. (Justin Freitag)**

151 **Use case 5: Loading into, transport down, and unloading out of, the Ross Shaft**

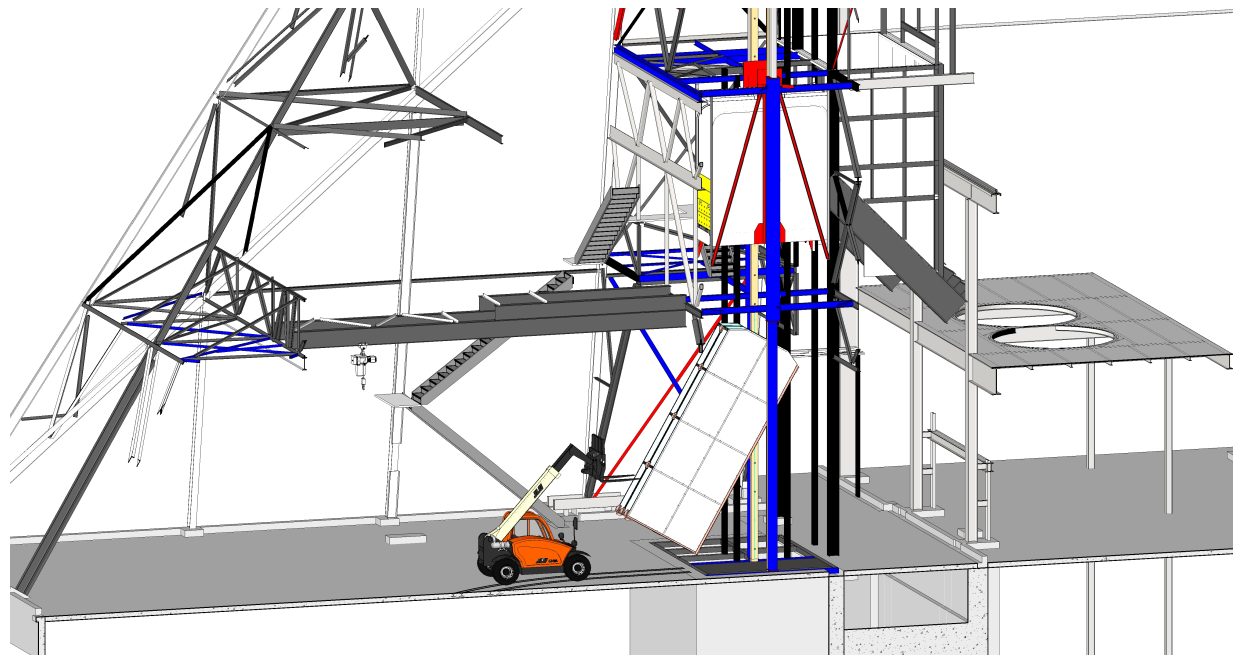
152 The shipping frames are delivered laying on their long skinny edge (so-called landscape orientation as  
 153 shown in Figure 3). The upper end of the frame will be attached to the mount points underneath the  
 154 cage with two (or possibly four) cables (Figure 4). These hook points should be along the frame's center  
 155 of gravity when hung vertically and the minimum allowed cable length is 12ft.<sup>5</sup> The lower end of the  
 156 frame will be slung from telescopic handler (telehandler or boom truck) as depicted in Figure 5. After  
 157 both ends are attached the spreader and hoist are backed away from the cage area.



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Figure 4 – Current cage design (75% drawing from Fall, 2018). Hook points are shown in red on the left panel.

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Figure 5 - A APA frame being rotated into the slung load position at SURF. (Justin Freitag)



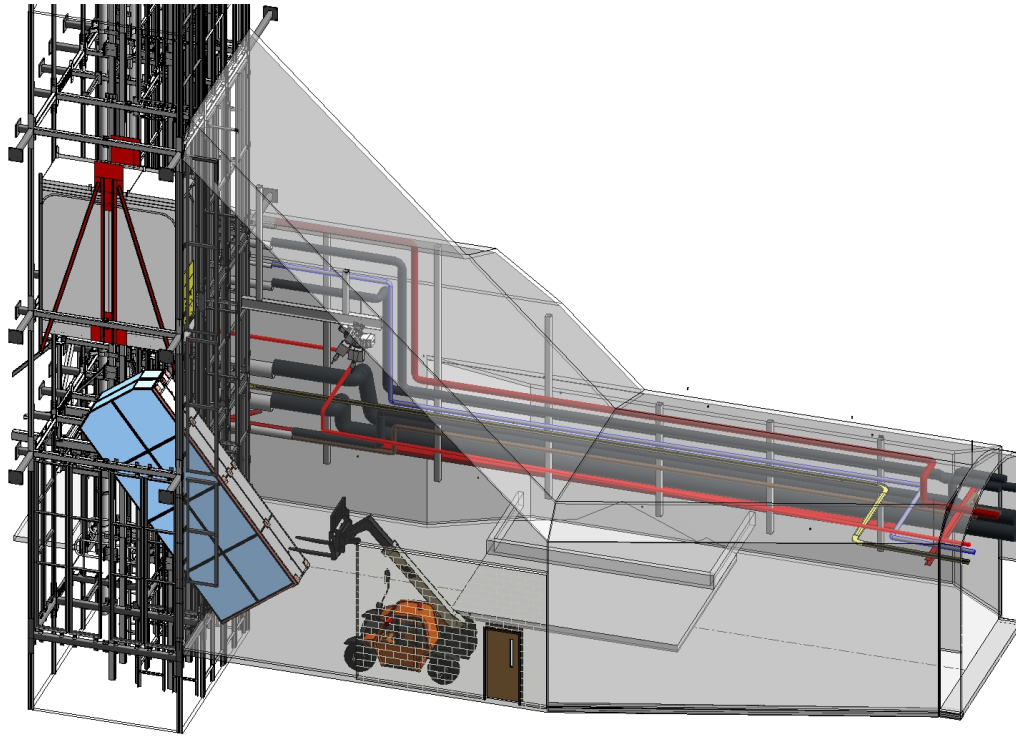


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Figure 6 - A ProtoDUNE-SP APA being rigged from horizontal to vertical using a similar technique at CERN.

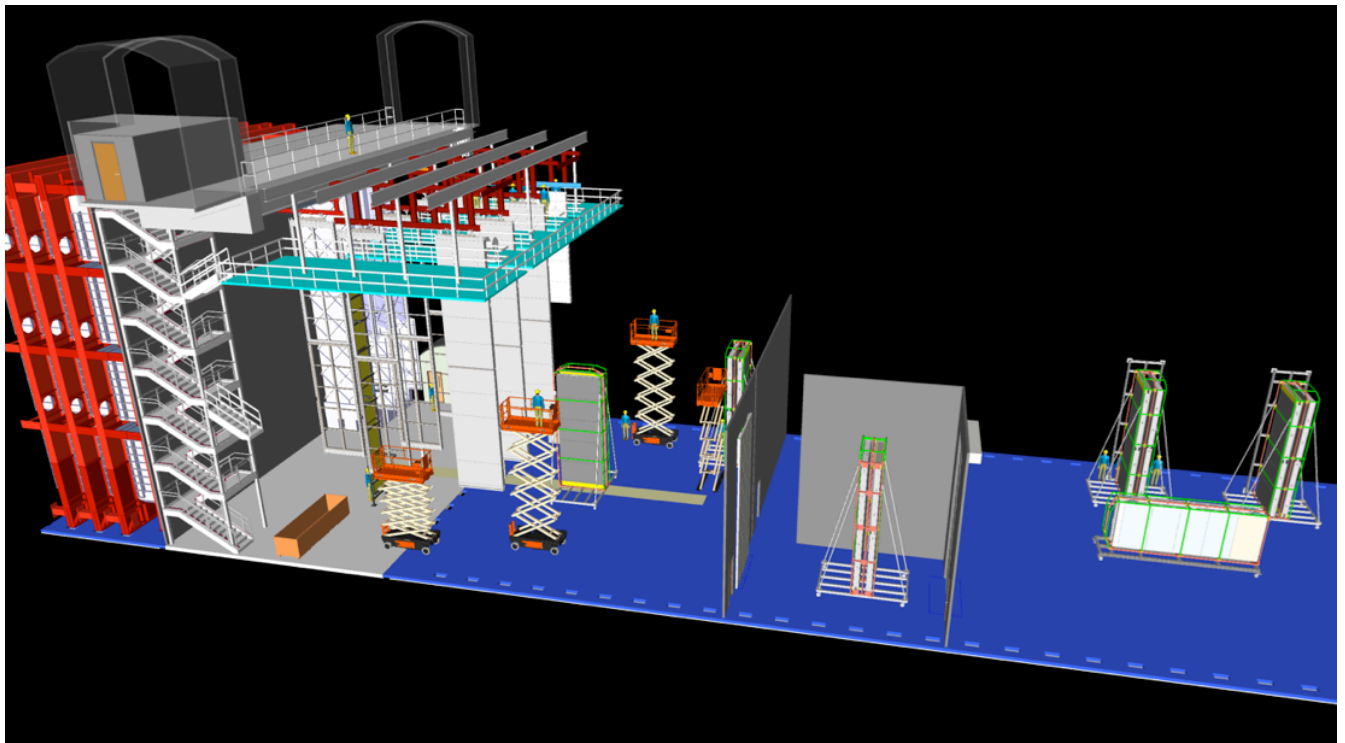
164 Using the cage as a hoist and slowly adjusting the position of the boom of the telehandler as the cage  
165 raises, the frame is pulled into vertical and hangs as a slung load below the cage.<sup>7</sup> The crate includes  
166 mount points (swivel eyes) for the spreader beam, the cage cables, and the telehandler. The center of  
167 gravity of the loaded shipping frame is safely below the imaginary line between the two hook points so  
168 the load will be stable throughout this operation. This operation is nearly identical that that successfully  
169 used for rotating the ProtoDUNE-SP APAs into their vertical orientation at CERN (Figure 6). This  
170 operation needs to be repeated 75 times per detector module.

171 The lower cables stay with the load, will be hooked by the shaftman at the 4850 Level, and then  
172 attached to another telehandler to begin the unloading process. The loading process is reversed to  
173 remove the crate from the shaft (Figure 7). Note that underground the shipping frame is extracted on  
174 from the back of the cage inverted from its orientation on the surface. The shipping frame will be loaded  
175 onto a horizontal cart and secured.



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177 **Figure 7 - unloading the APA frame at the lower shaft station. (Justin Freitag)**



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179 **Figure 8 - Layout of the cavern and installation spaces indicating APA frames being stored vertically on carts, being moved into the SAS on a cart, readied and tested in the clean room, and being assembled after being removed from their frames. (Bill Miller)**

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## 180 **Use case 6: transport to the cavern**

181 The APA frames are hauled along the drift to the cavern using a powered vehicle that is still to be  
182 specified. They are then hooked to the cavern bridge crane with a spreader beam, the cart is released,  
183 and they are lowered to the 4910 level (hall floor). At this time they are rotated to the vertical position,  
184 landed on vertical APA carts, and secured. The rotation to vertical will be accomplished in an operation  
185 using two cranes using the same mounting locations as used in the cage loading and unloaded  
186 operations. The frames must allow for efficient and secure connections to the vertical carts (Figure 8).  
187 The APA frames are then moved by pallet jack into a storage area in the cavern. Approximately one  
188 month of APAs should be stored as a buffer (12 APA shipping frames). The floor space required for  
189 storage will be determined by the final size of the vertical APA cart.

## 190 **Use case 7: transport to the SAS, testing, APA integration, and APA mating**

191 When needed for installation, the APAs (on their carts) will be rolled through a door into the SAS. Their  
192 outer packaging (side frames) is removed and the carts (esp. wheels) are cleaned. The APA shipping  
193 frame is then moved to the clean room's assembly area (Figure 9). The APAs will be tested for  
194 continuity, isolation, and wire tension in the clean room by removing small sections of the protective  
195 covers that expose the head boards during testing but continuing to protect the rest of the APA. The  
196 frames are designed so there is access to all of photodetector (PD) slots. The PDs are installed and cable  
197 management work is completed with the protection covers in place.

198 The two individual APAs are unloaded from the frame one at a time and loaded onto the assembly  
199 tower using the cavern bridge crane. The first APA is lifted from the frame using a lifting fixture by a  
200 monorail-mounted hoist and placed on a lower rail. The second APA is lifted from the frame using a  
201 lifting fixture by a monorail-mounted hoist and placed on an upper rail. This completes the APA  
202 operations with the shipping frame.

203 Except for at the very top, we are assuming that the protective covers stay on until the final steps of  
204 integration and photogrammetry/survey prior to insertion into the cold box. The design of the  
205 protective covers should not allow dropped objects to slip between the protective covers and the APA  
206 whilst the upper covers are removed.

## 207 **Use case 8: Frames transported to the surface and to the warehouse**

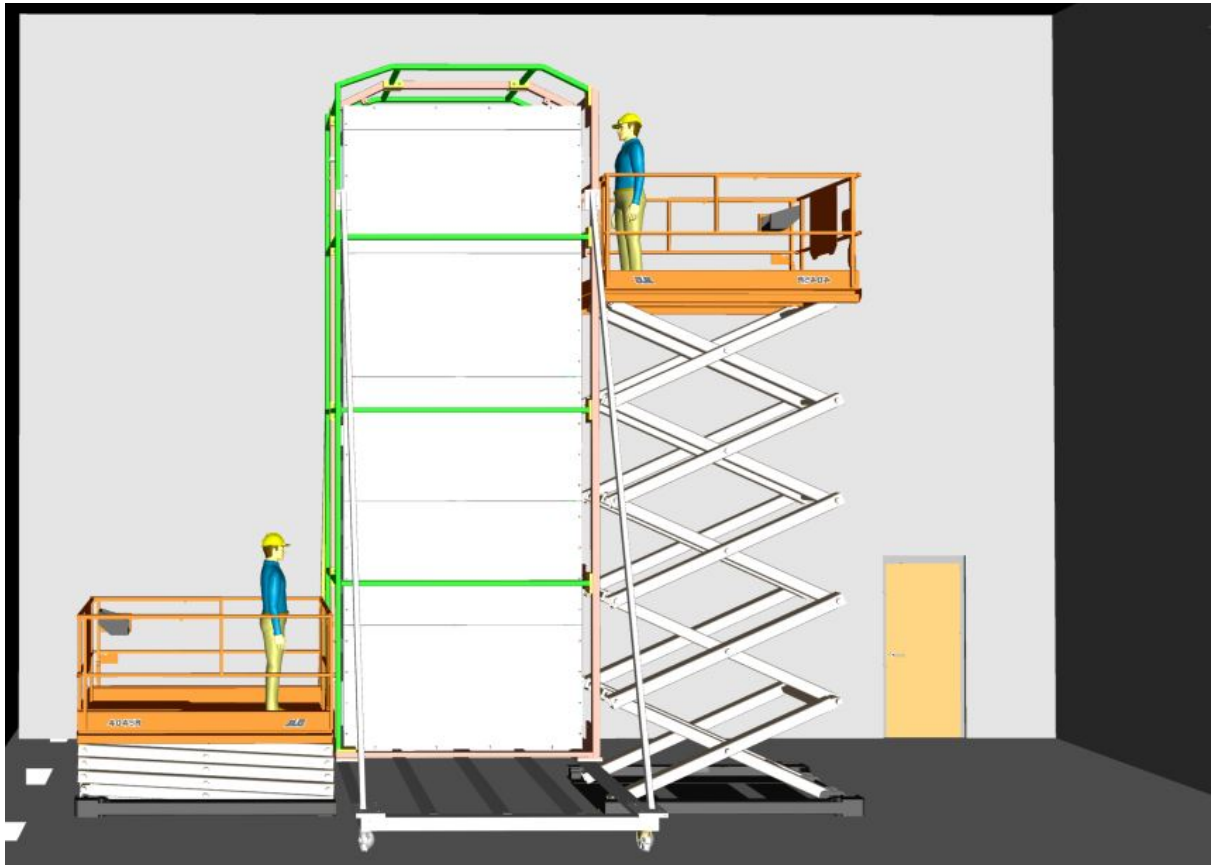
208 The protective covers from a number of APAs will be packed (e.g. in wire cages or bins) and periodically  
209 shipped to the surface in bulk. The wrapping materials will be bailed and shipped to the surface with  
210 other waste packaging. The removable side frames are reattached to the frames. The frames will be  
211 returned to the surface in the reverse of the operation that brought them underground and trucked  
212 back to the warehouse. Up to 25% of the pallets, shipping frames, and protective covers will be shipped  
213 back to the US APA factories for use on the second module. The remainder will be cut prior to transport  
214 to surface for loading into cage and scrapped for salvage.

## 215 **Use case 9: Sampled above-ground cold testing at PSL**

216 We will fully test the first 5 APA pairs from each factory at PSL including cold tests and wire tension  
217 tests. PSL modules they will be double shipped to/from SURF prior to these initial tests. During steady-

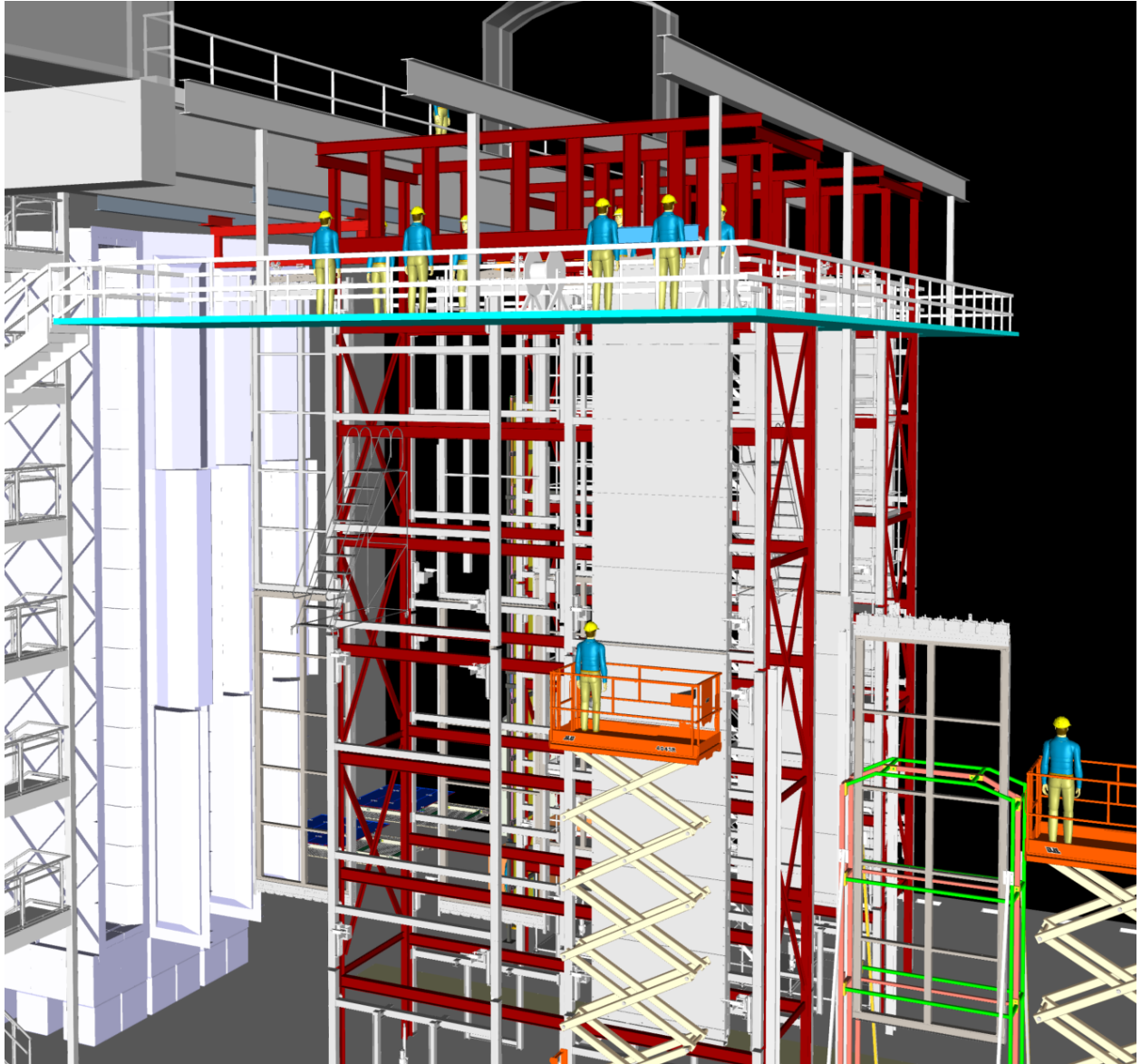


218 state operations, 1 in every 10 APA pairs will also be sample tested at PSL. The APAs will be unloaded  
219 and completely stripped of packaging material for the cold tests. They must be repackaged and reloaded  
220 onto the frames for eventual shipping to SURF.



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222 **Figure 9 - APA shipping box located in cleanroom for testing and integration of PDs. (Bill Miller)**



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224 Figure 10 - An APA (shown without panels or wire planes) being removed from the shipping frame (shown in pink/green).  
225 (Bill Miller)

## 226 3 APA Shipping Frame Requirements

### 227 APA transport frame requirements derived from factories and shipping

- 228 • The transport frame should hold 2 APAs positioned end for end (a top and a bottom APA).
- 229 • The transport frame, in horizontal orientation, should allow transfer of a completed APA to the  
230 frame at the factories. It should be stable while secured to a horizontal cart when only one APA  
231 is installed.
- 232 • The transport frame must be sufficiently cleaned after fabrication and transportation to the  
233 factory prior to entry to the APA factory floor. Steel surfaces should be painted to facilitate  
234 cleaning.
- 235 • The side frames that wrap around the APAs should be made of aluminum (currently considering  
236 T-channel hardware), must be able captured by pockets to help mate to the frames while  
237 protecting the APA panels, and must be relatively efficient to secure in place.
- 238 • Frame must be designed with lifting points (or pockets) for slings and side-loading forklift  
239 pockets to allow loading onto flat bed trailers. The frames should also have end pockets to allow  
240 a fork truck or jack to engage and move the frames while on carts. Alternatively, these end  
241 pockets could be integrated in the two different cart designs.
- 242 • The transport frame should isolate the APAs from shock and vibration due to transportation and  
243 handling to as low as reasonably practicable. Note that the shaft's emergency braking system  
244 can give 2g in the vertical orientation, which should be considered as a static load on the  
245 isolation system.
- 246 • The APAs structures must not undergo more than 4g. As a minimum requirement the  
247 transmitted acceleration should be less than 4g peak measured at the APA for 7.6g for 11ms  
248 input in all 3 directions. This input is the maximum value taken from MIL-STD-810H Table 516.8-  
249 VII *Procedure II – Transportation shock test sequence*.
- 250 • For resilience to handling conditions the isolation system should be designed to minimise  
251 acceleration experienced by the APAs to less than 4g peak when exposed to a transit drop of at  
252 least 114mm (which equates to an instantaneous velocity change of 1.5m/s). A target transit  
253 drop value of 460mm is required to be in accordance with MIL-STD-810H, however, it is  
254 understood this may not be achievable within the allowable space constraints. Therefore the  
255 system should be designed to allow resilience to the highest drop possible up to this value. The  
256 drop should be assessed for all configurations of the lift sequence, i.e. drops on the long and  
257 short faces and the corner between them.
- 258 • Stresses within the transportation frame should be assessed such that they are within  
259 acceptable limits considering the maximum reaction forces applied by the isolation system (e.g.  
260 a spring system) for each load condition, as it likely these will be the highest forces experienced

- 261 by the frame. There should be no yielding of the system under any transportation or handling  
262 loads. Fatigue effects should be considered for vibration loads taken from suitable norms, for  
263 example MIL-STD-810H Paragraph 514.8.
- 264 • Sufficient internal clearances should be designed to accommodate the full stroke of the selected  
265 isolators in all 3 directions. This is critical to avoid collision between the APAs and the transport  
266 frame.
  - 267 • The frame must meet appropriate requirements in the UK, EU, and US. Fermilab and CERN have  
268 classified the central structural frames as below-the-hook lifting fixture (ASME B30.20 code  
269 category A, service class 0 fixture). UK it is covered by *Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment*  
270 *Regulations* 1998 (LOLER). As such, each frame will need its welds individually inspected and will  
271 be subject to specified load testing.
  - 272 • The shipping frames should have instrumentation to indicate if the APAs were subjected to  
273 more than 4g during shipping.
  - 274 • The first modes of the transportation frame/system should be computed and compared to the  
275 lowest modes of the APA frames. The design should incorporate in as much separation between  
276 transport frame modes and APA modes to ensure isolation.
  - 277 • The removable side frames and protection panels must be designed to allow one panel to be  
278 removed to provide access to the head boards for testing and must be able to be reinstalled  
279 while the APA is mounted on the frame, with side frames in place, while oriented either  
280 horizontally or vertically. It must not be possible for hardware released in this process to  
281 accidentally fall inside the APA volume.
  - 282 • The loaded frames must be able to be installed in wooden shipping crates (UK) or wrapped on  
283 pallets (US). The UK crates need to be less than 2.44m (8ft) in width to allow shipping without  
284 wide-load permitting in the US.
  - 285 • The frames will be stored long-term in the SDWF and their shipping packaging should allow  
286 them be stable while stored on their sides in the warehouse. Consider desiccant within the  
287 plastic wrap to control for condensation during temperature extremes during shipping.

## 288 **APA transport frame requirements derived from transport underground and to the** 289 **cavern**

- 290 • At the headframe, the shipping frame must be able to be unloaded from trailer by a spreader  
291 beam from an overhead crane (as in the factories).
- 292 • The frame must follow SURF shipping requirements as shown in DocDB-4781. Drawing  
293 F10071028 shows the maximum box size. The shaft is controlled by SDSTA and they approve all  
294 loads transferred into the shaft. Load specifications are shown documented in DocDB 4781  
295 (Figure 11).<sup>9</sup>

- 296 ○ Maximum slug load weight not to exceed 13,000 lbs (5,896 Kg).
- 297 ○ Maximum length with 5'-6" curved radius on top corner is 22'-11 7/16" (6996).
- 298 ○ Maximum width is 4'-8" (1422)
- 299 ○ Maximum depth is 11'-0"
- 300 ○ Load must maintain center of gravity
- 301 ○ Suspension points will be determined and approved by SDSTA

302 • The frame must be able to withstand rotation from landscape (up-side up) to vertical in the  
303 shaft, and be pulled out to landscape (up-side down) and loaded onto transport carts at the  
304 underground shaft station.

305 • The frame or cart must have mount points for a forklift to guide the crate down the drift to the  
306 cavern.

### 307 **Transport frame requirements derived from underground storage, testing, integration**

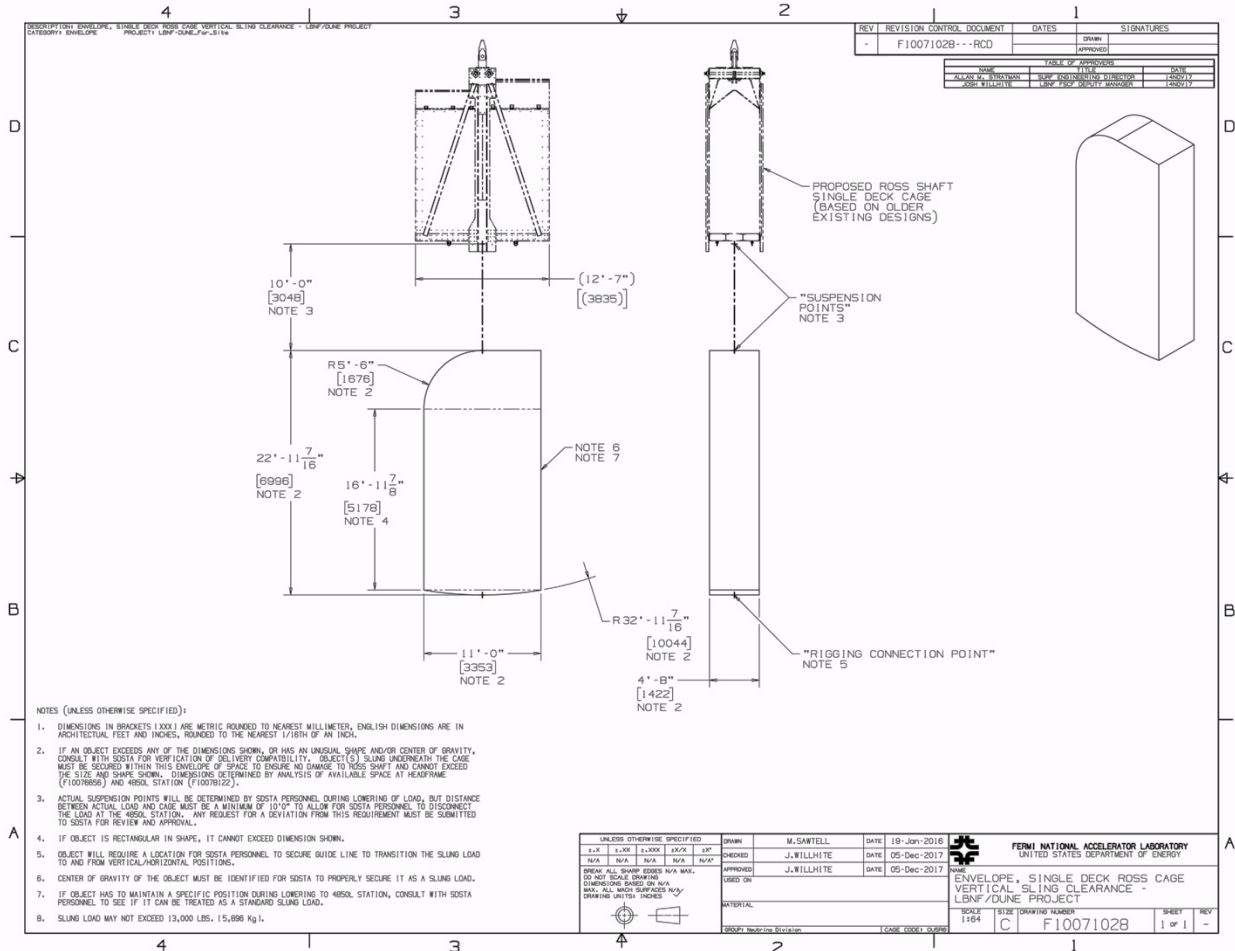
308 • Outside side protection panels must be removable. We assume a seal (plastic wrapping) over  
309 the side frames to protect the APA outside the cleanroom/SAS. We must be able to remove  
310 individual protection panels over the head boards during testing, and integration of PDs and  
311 cold electronics.

312 • The frame sides must be able to be removed from the frame while the crate is in the vertical  
313 orientation and allow the APAs to be lifted out of the frame.

314 • The APA shipping frame must be able to be rotated from horizontal to vertical using two  
315 independent cranes in the cavern.

316 • The frame will be stored in the main cavern in a vertical orientation attached to carts. It must be  
317 able to stable when stood on end and mounted to a rolling cart that brings the APA shipping  
318 frame into SAS and Cleanroom.

319 • Must be able to remove a single APA while the shipping frame is vertical in the cart and have the  
320 APA+cart remain stable.



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Figure 11 - Drawing F10071028 showing the maximum slung-load dimensions. (SDSD)

<sup>1</sup> Crate drawing: <https://edms.cern.ch/document/2157225/1>

<sup>3</sup> The version of this used for the SBND APAs is described in the SBND-docdb-8886. <https://sbn-docdb.fnal.gov/cgi-bin/private/ShowDocument?docid=8886>

<sup>4</sup> A study by Jacob Nesbit and Dan Wenman (PSL) showed that above 4g the welds on the frames reach their available strength limit. This was presented at <https://indico.fnal.gov/event/18815/contribution/10/material/slides/1.pdf>

<sup>5</sup> Typical slung load procedures: <https://indico.fnal.gov/event/18435/contribution/19>

<sup>7</sup> Cage drawing: <https://edms.cern.ch/document/2054597/1>

<sup>9</sup> DocDB 4781-v13, "Drawings and Analysis of Vertical Slung Loads in the Ross Cage Shaft for SURF," Matt Sawtell (drawing F10071028).