Initial DIRC Support Structure Concept







Developing Design – Opposed Oil Boxes





Adjustability in bulkheads



Proposal to replace cam and roller assemblies

The existing cams and rollers on the bar boxes engage the track sections a very minor amount, around .125 in or ~3 mm. From the aspect of lifting the bar boxes into place head-on with the overhead crane, rather than rolling the box in from the end, this minimal engagement is an issue to consider. To increase the amount of engagement, we propose replacing the cam and roller assemblies with brass posts, attached to the bar boxes with two screws as are currently used. These posts will have a taller overall dimension than the bearing assemblies and thus will provide more engagement within the tracks.





By replacing the cam and roller assemblies with the brass posts, the boxes all become symmetric. This allows for a wider choice of boxes, as we do not have to rely on specific boxes with the proper cam/roller orientations. Since the boxes are not being rolled or moved long distances in the tracks, the need for the free rolling bearings is diminished. The brass posts can also be adjusted in situ if binding within the track becomes a problem, by means of a stone or fine file.