



**DESIGN OF**



**LHB SHELL**



# CAR BODY SHELL

## DESIGN FEATURES

1. LIGHT WEIGHT

2. SPEED : OPERATIONAL SPEED = 160 KMPH

TEST SPEED = 180 KMPH

3. DIMENSIONS :

# TRACK GAUGE : 1676 mm

# OVERALL MOVING DIMENSIONS AS PER

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# DIMENSIONS RELATED TO S.O.D. – 1939

# SHARPEST CURVE – 175 MTRS. RADIUS

# SUPER ELEVATION - 165 mm

# CLEARANCE ABOVE RAIL LEVEL – 102 mm

# BODY SHELL

THE BODY SHELL BE OF INTEGRAL LIGHT WEIGHT

CONSTRUCTION CONSISTING OF SEPARATE ASSEMBLY GROUPS FOR U/F, SW, ROOF & END WALL.

# WHOLE CAR BODY SHELL CONSISTS OF THREE TYPES OF STEEL.

# THE INDIVIDUAL ASSEMBLIES ARE JOINED TO EACH OTHER BY WELDING

## OVERALL DIMENSIONS OF THE COACH

A	LENGTH OVER BODY	23540 mm
B	BUFFER CENTRES	1956 mm
C	MAXIMUM WIDTH OVER BODY	3250 mm
D	HEIGHT OF CENTRES OF COUPLER FROM RAIL LEVEL	1105 mm
E	HEIGHT OF COMPT. FLOOR FROM RAIL LEVEL	1303 mm
F	MAX. DIST. BETWEEN INNER WHEELS	12345 mm
G	MAX. HEIGHT OF CENTRES OF BUFFERS ABOVE RAIL LEVEL	1105 mm

# TYPES OF STEELS USED IN LHB SHELL

S. No.	TYPE OF STEEL	APPLICATION
1.	1.4301(Austenitic) 1.25 mm X5 Cr Ni 18 10	Trough floor & roof sheet
2.	1.4003(Ferritic) Carline -2mm. Roof beam -2mm. Side wall -2mm. Window Sill -2.5mm. Body Pillar -2.5mm. Cant Rail - 4mm.	Restructure including carlines, roofbeam, body pillar, end wall structure, side wall sheets, etc.
3.	Corten-A	All Parts of under frame except trough floor including Sole Bar.

# SIDEWALL



- **TIG WELDING OR LASER WELDING OF SIDEWALL SHEETS**
  - **LOW HEAT INPUT**
  - **LESS DISTORTION**
  - **NEGLIGIBLE SHRINKAGE**

# SIDE WALL

# THICKNESS OF SIDE WALL : 2mm

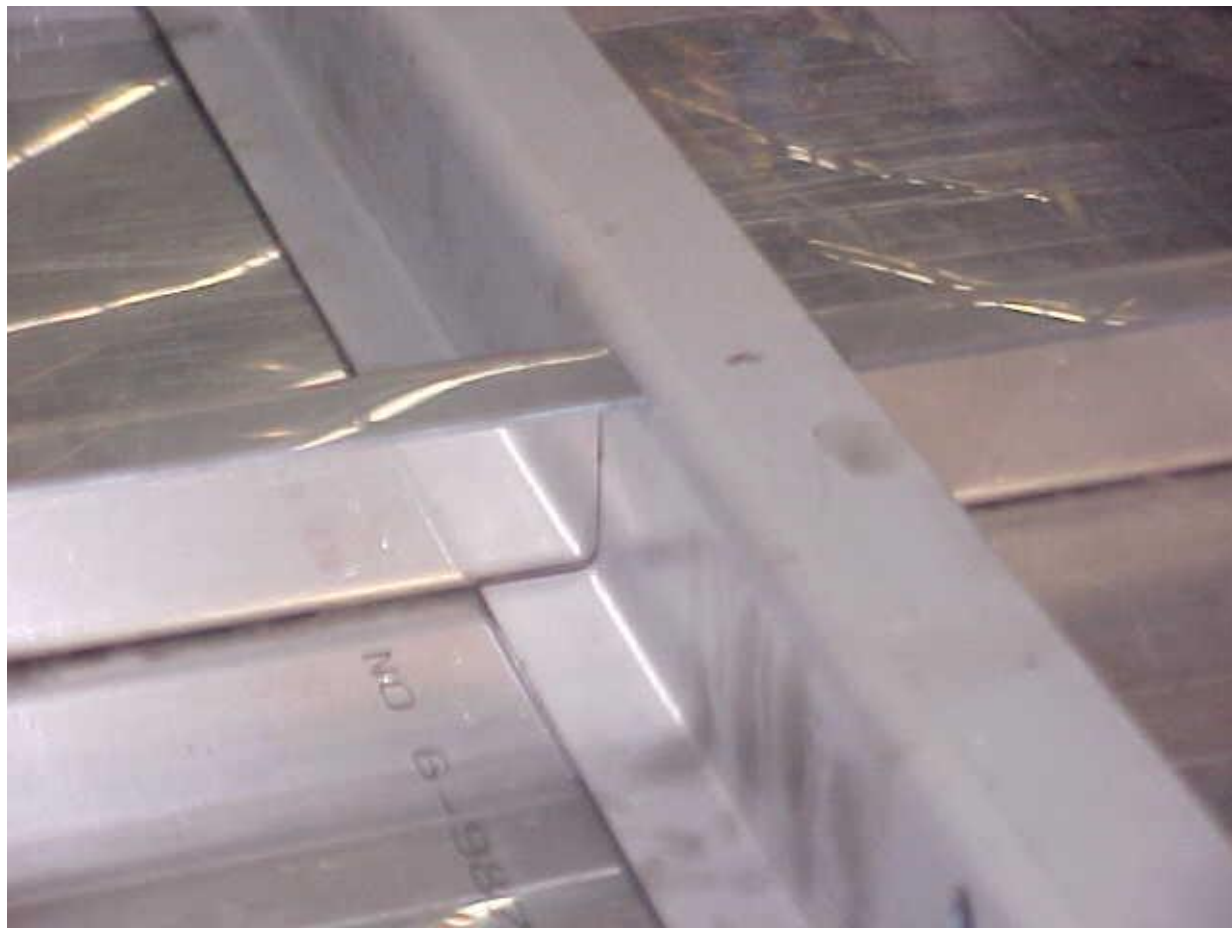
# LASER CUT, BUTT JOINT TIG WELDING OR LASER WELDING, SPOT WELDING

# DOOR FRAMES IS A PART OF SUB ASSEMBLY OF SIDE WALL, BUT FABRICATED SEPERATELY

# THICKNESS OF DOOR FRAME : 4mm

DOOR FRAMES ARE DESIGNED IN A MANNER TO ENABLE THE COMPENSATION OF TOLERANCES IN WHOLE SIDE WALL

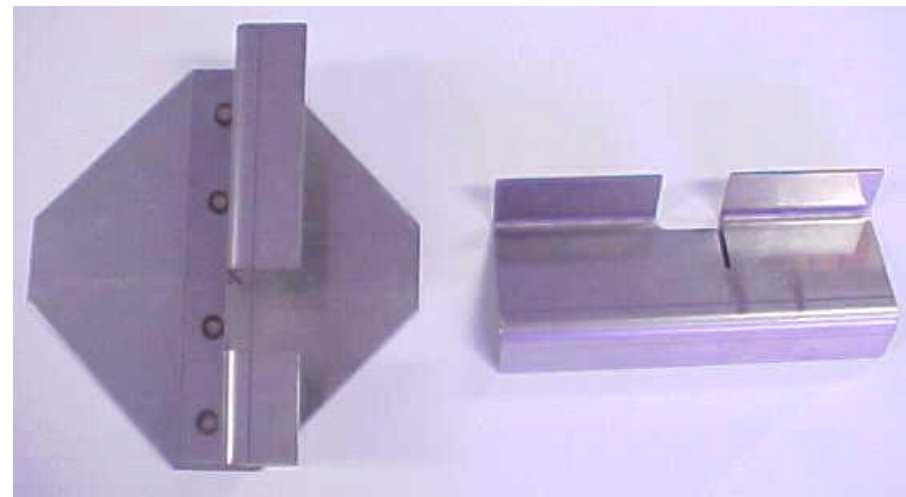
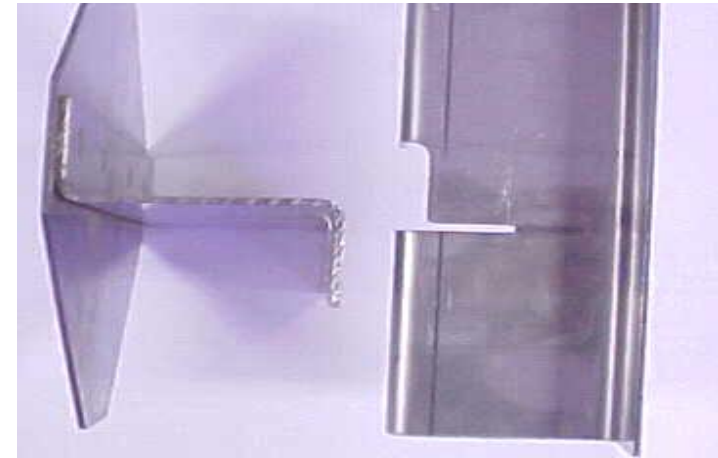
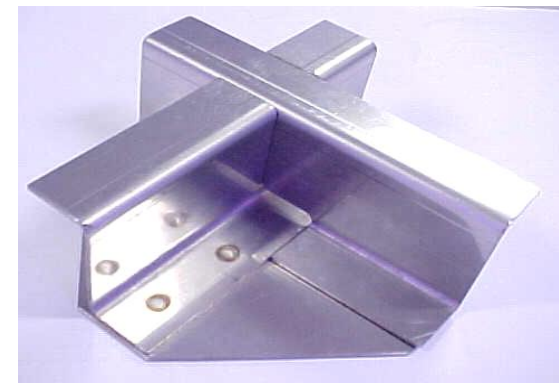




- POSITIVE INTERLOCKING BETWEEN ALL HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL MEMBERS
  - BETTER STRENGTH,
  - REDUCTION OF SIDE WALL THICKNESS TO 60MM FROM 90 MM,
  - BETTER GEOMETRICAL INTEGRITY



# Sidewall-Interlocking



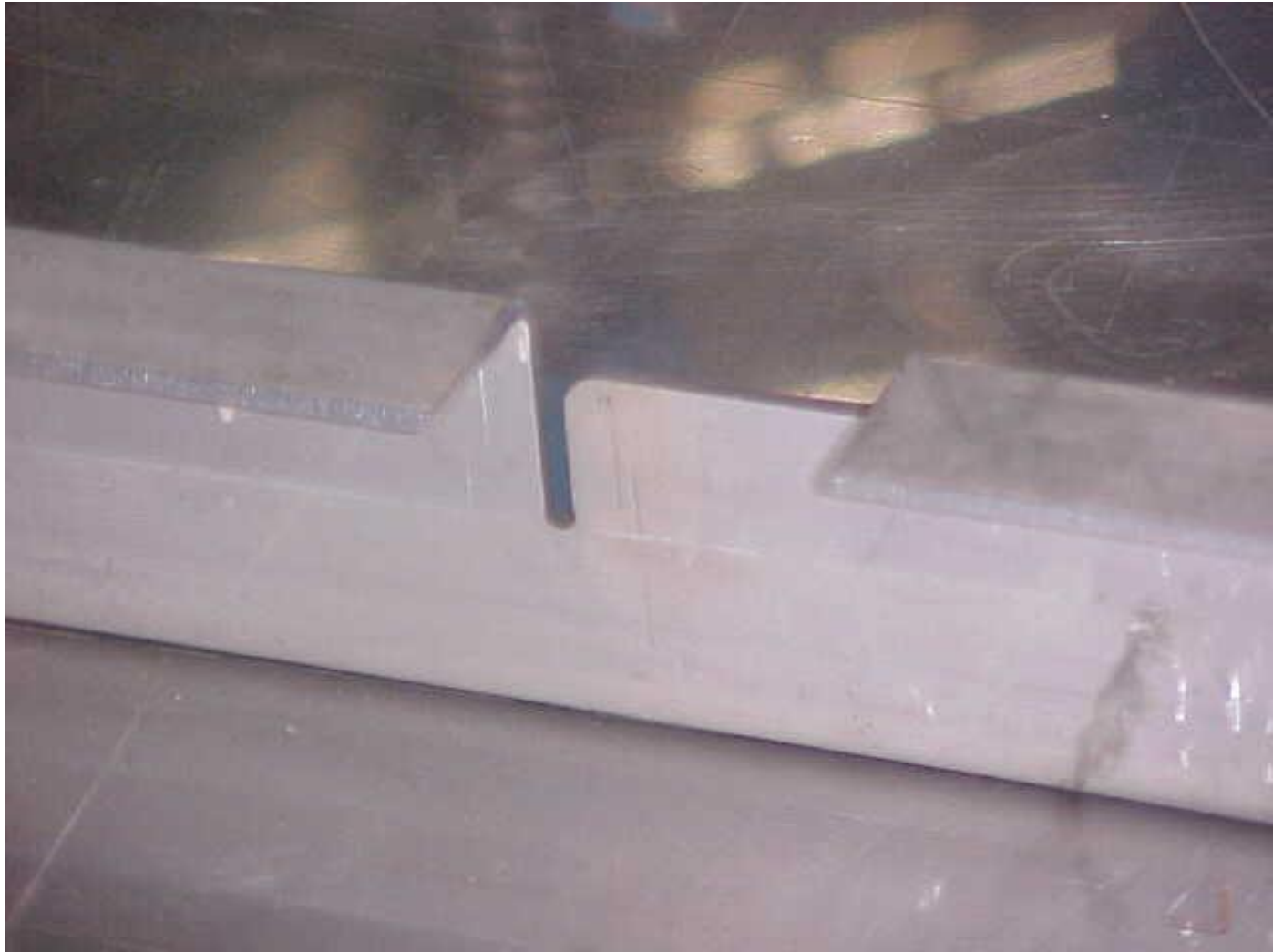
➤ Interlocking between the horizontal and vertical stiffening members of sub-assemblies like sidewall, endwall, underframe, etc.

➤ Aligned stress flow  
➤ Better strength

➤ Reduction of side wall width from 90 mm to 60mm

# SITUATION BEFORE INTERLOCKING TECHNIQUE

IN THE PAST, A LOT OF ROLLED PROFILES HAVE BEEN USED IN FRAME WORK OF SIDE WALL, END WALL AND UNDER FRAME, WHICH RESULTS A LOT OF WELD JOINTS, STRAIGHTENING AND REWORKING. THIS CAUSED A QUALITY REDUCTION AND INCREASE OF COST.



**CUT PROVIDED IN S/W MEMBER FOR INTERLOCKING**



COMPLETE SIDEWALL



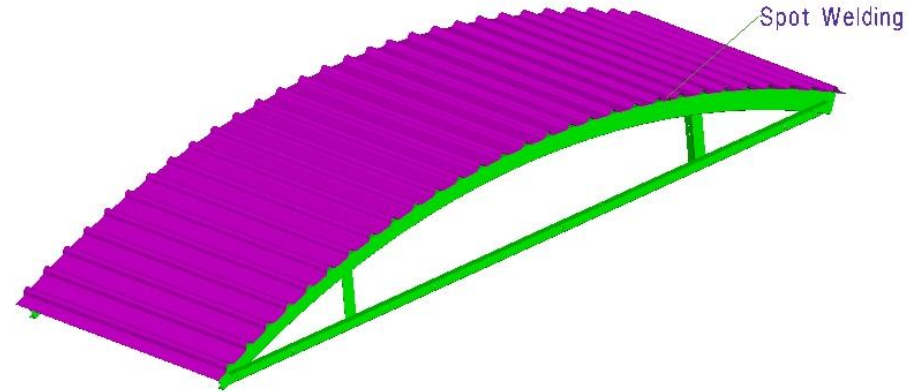
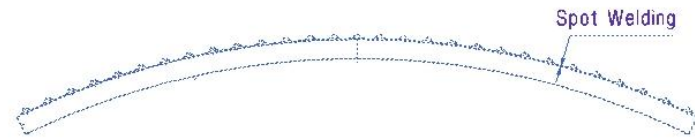


•CARLINE (CANT RAIL IN CONV. COACHES) IS PART OF THE SIDE WALL, UNLIKE CONV. COACHES WHERE IT IS A PART OF ROOF

- BETTER RIGIDITY OF SIDE WALL
- POSITIVE LOCATION OF ROOF

# Roof

- ❑ Corrugated roof sheet spot welded to z-section roof arches
- ❑ Uniform height of arches along its length
- ❑ Roof weighs only about 1000kg
- ❑ Spot welded austenitic steel cladding
- ❑ Pocket free





# END WALL

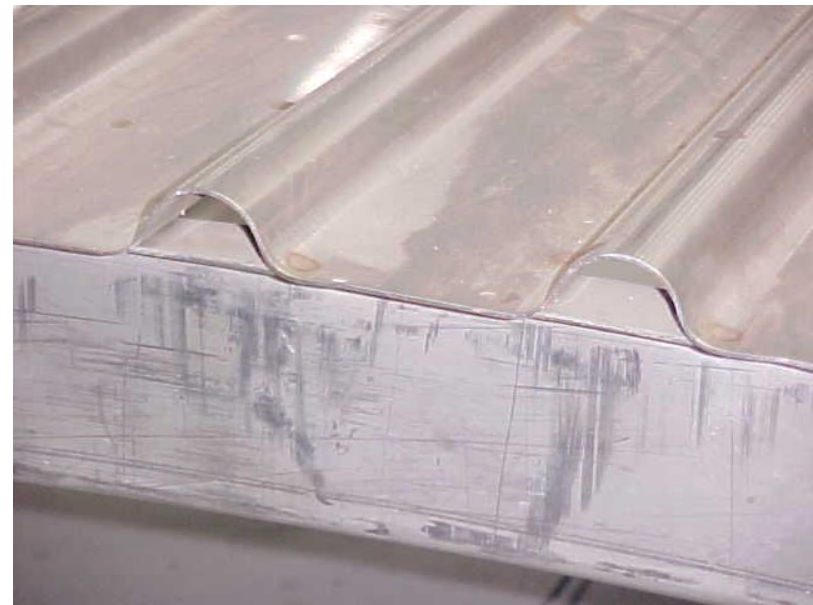
HOLES PROVIDED IN  
ALL STIFFENERS OF  
END WALL TO  
REDUCE WEIGHT





# ROOF

- CORRUGATED ROOF SHEET SPOT WELDED TO Z-SECTION ROOF ARCHES
- UNIFORM HEIGHT OF ARCHES ALONG IT'S LENGTH
- ROOF WEIGHS ONLY ABOUT 1000KG



# ROOF

- MIDDLE PART:
- CORRUGATED SHEET 1.25 mm THICK  
AUSTENITIC STAINLESS STEEL
- # ROOF ARCHES : Z SECTION 30x80x30x2
- # HORIZONTAL CROSS BRACES : Z  
SECTION 30x50x30x2
- END PARTS : THESE ARE PREPARED FOR  
MATCHING THE TAPERING AT ENDS

# UNDERFRAME

UNDERFRAME FRONT  
PART IS MADE BY  
JOINING TOGETHER  
HEAD STOCK...



...AND BODY BOLSTER



# UNDER FRAME

## MAIN COMPONENTS OF UNDER FRAME

# TWO SIDE SILS (SOLE BAR) W SECTION 220x65x8

# TWO MAIN CROSS MEMBERS - BOX TYPE 6 mm THICK  
SITUATED IN A REGION OF BOGIES

# FRAME WORK – CROSS MEMBERS MADE OF FOLDED  
CHANNEL SECTIONS 140x50x4 FORM THE MAIN PART OF THE  
FRAME WORK OF U/F

# FRONT PART – IT IS HEAD STOCKS CONSISTS OF SHEETS  
WITH THICKNESS OF 10mm, 6mm & 4mm

# FLOOR – IT CONSISTS OF CORRUGATED  
SHEETS OF 1.25 mm THICK



- UNDER FRAME CORRUGATED TROUGH FLOOR IS PLUG WELDED FROM TOP WITH THE CROSS MEMBERS
- ALUMINIUM BASED WELDABLE PRIMER USED FOR WELDING CORTEN STEEL TO SS TO PREVENT BI-METALLIC CORROSION



PROVISION FOR CBC AS WELL  
A SIDE BUFFER MOUNTING IN  
HEAD STOCK

FLOORING SUPPORT MEMBERS ON UNDERFRAME



WATER TANK MOUNTING  
BRACKETS WELDED ON  
THE UNDER FRAME



YAW DAMPER  
(CONNECTED BETWEEN  
UNDERFRAME AND  
BOGIE FRAME)  
BRACKETS WELDED ON  
THE UNDERFRAME



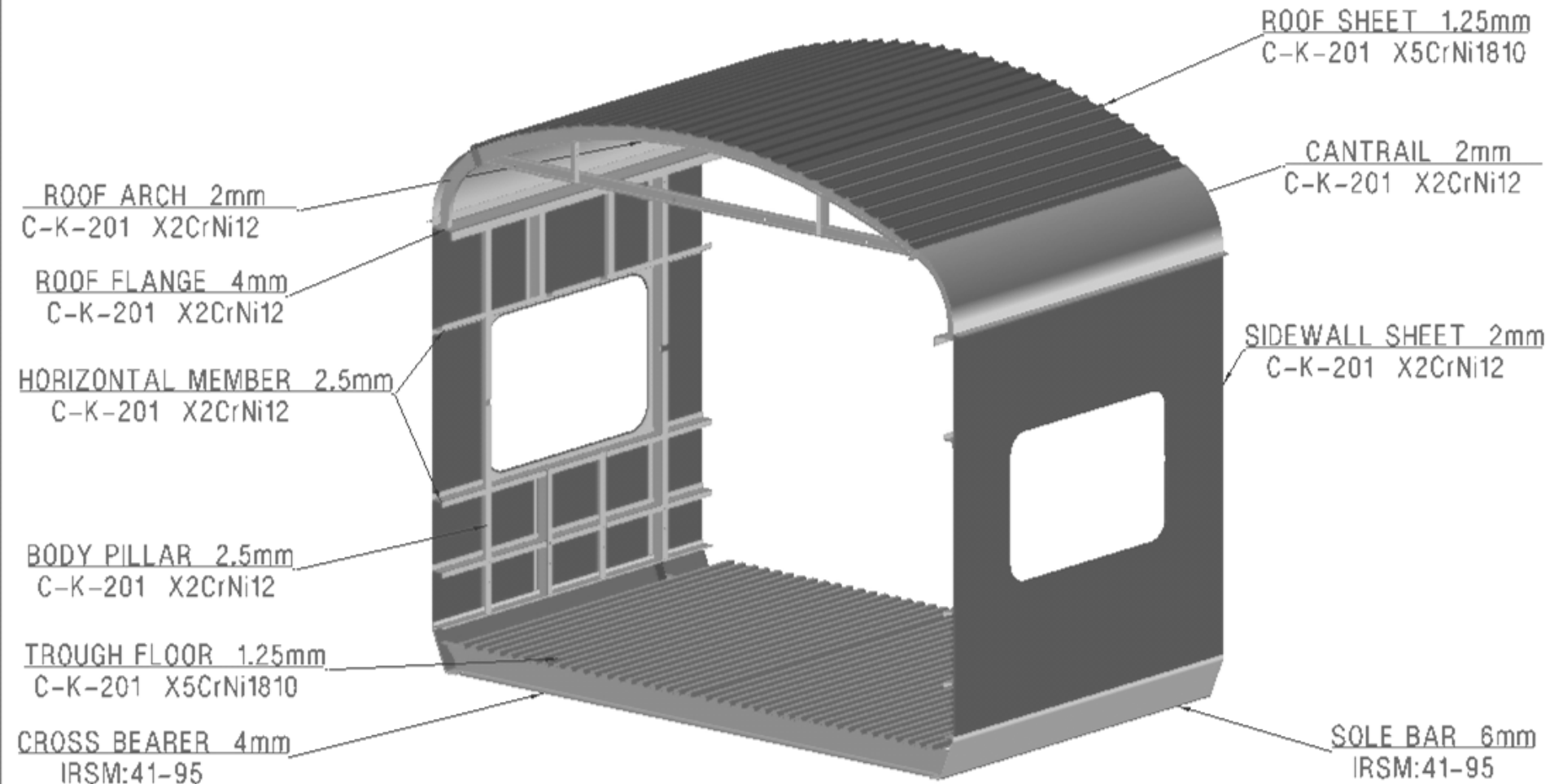


# Steels used in LHB Coach Shell

Shell Assemblies	Steels used and their %age compositions	UTS N/mm <sup>2</sup>	Yield Stress N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Side wall, End wall and Roof structure	X2 Cr8 Ferritic Steel (SS 409M) ( C < .03%, Cr 10-12%, Si 1%, Mn 1.5%)	450-600	320
Roof sheet and Trough floor	X5 CrNi 18 10 Austenitic Steel (SS 304) ( C < .07%, Cr 18%, Ni 10 % Si 1%, Mn 2%)	700-850	235
Underframe	IRS M-41 / CortenSteel ( C < .01%, Cr .35 -.6%, Ni .2 - .4% Cu .3 - .6% Si .3 - .7%, Mn .25%)	440-480	320

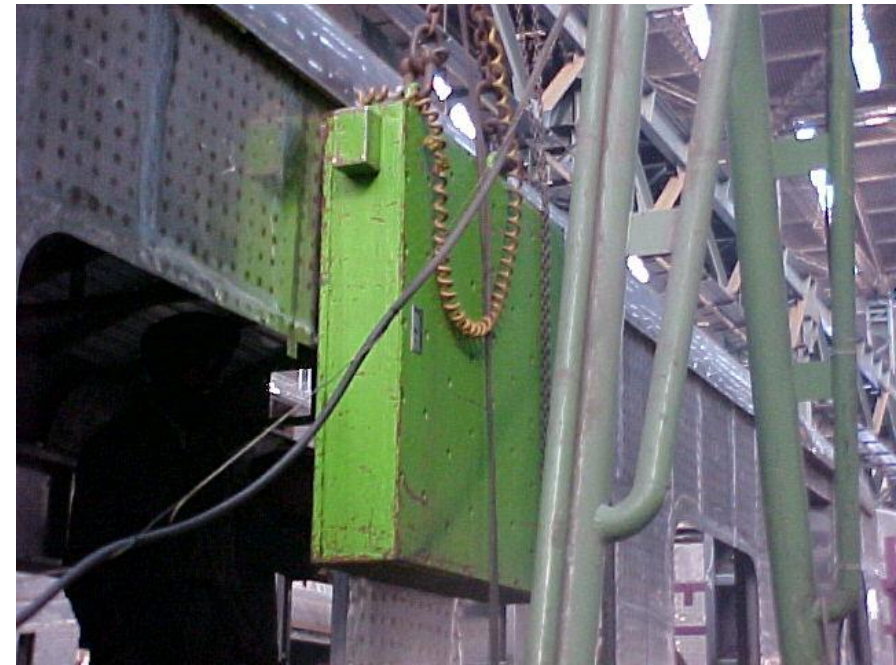
SS 409M is a modified version of SS 409 offering higher strength abrasion resistance and weldability

# Shell structure



# Manufacturing Techniques

- ❑ Laser Profile Cutting Of Components
- ❑ Sidewall/Roof Spot Welding
- ❑ Magnetic Skin Tensioning Of Shell



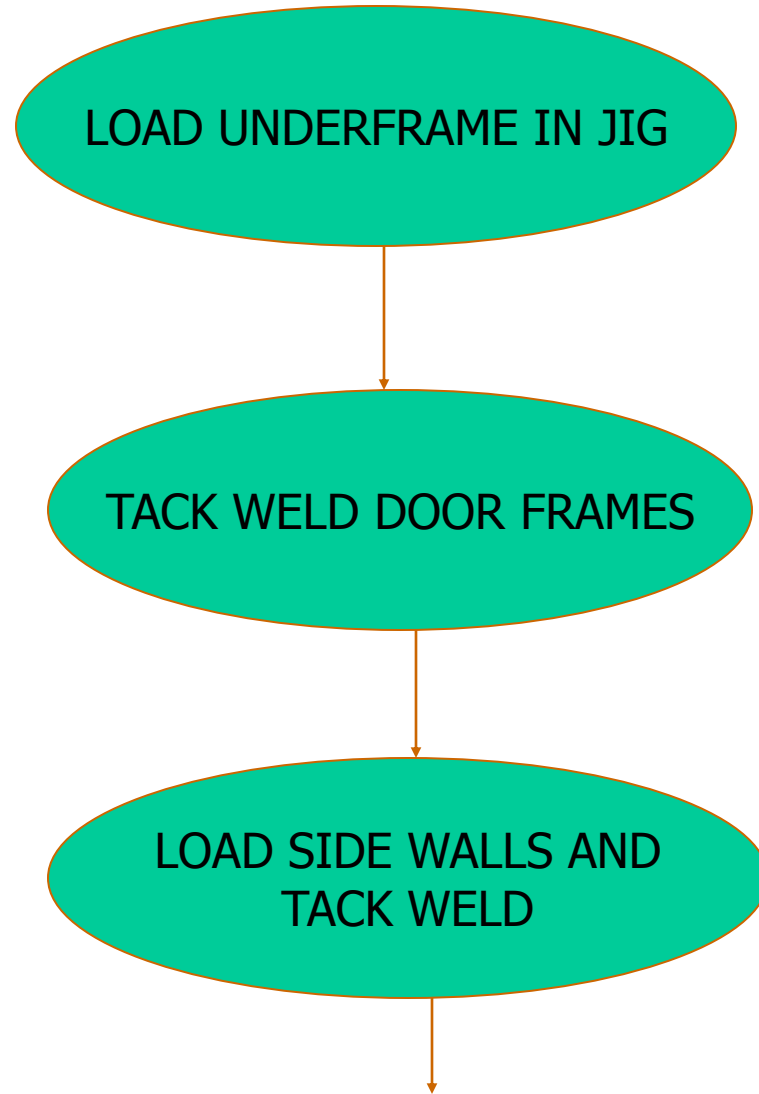
# JIGS & FIXTURES

<i>S.NO.</i>	<i>DESCRIPTION</i>
<i>1.</i>	<i>BODY SHELL ASSEMBLY JIG</i>



# PROCESS CHART

## STAGE 1



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graph TD; A[TACK WELD LAV. SIDE WALLS] --> B[LOAD ROOF & TACK WELD]; B --> C[END WALLS ARE TACK WELDED WITH U/F];
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TACK WELD LAV.  
SIDE WALLS

LOAD ROOF &  
TACK WELD

END WALLS ARE TACK  
WELDED WITH U/F

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graph TD; A[ROOF ELEMENT IS TACK WELDED] --> B[COMPLETE WELDING FROM INSIDE OF SHELL]; B --> C[CROSS BRACES ARE WELDED WITH ROOF INSIDE PART];
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ROOF ELEMENT IS  
TACK WELDED

COMPLETE WELDING FROM  
INSIDE OF SHELL

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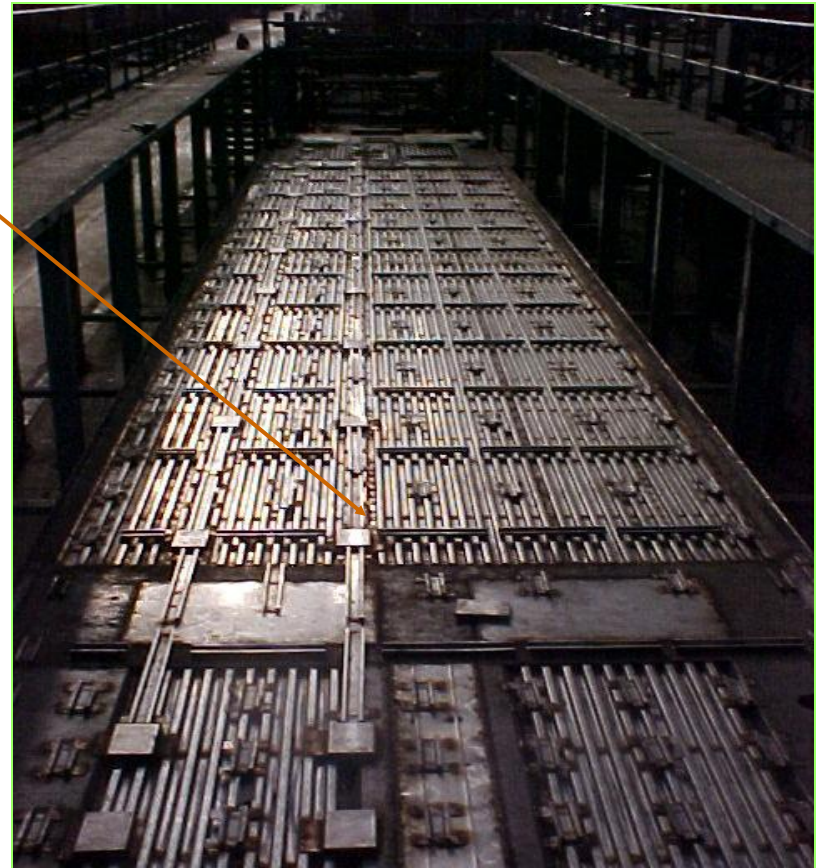


PROCESS

*STAGE - 1*

# CONTD...

1. *CLEAN THE JIG FROM SPATTERS AND LOAD UNDER FRAME ON IT. CENTRE THE UNDERFRAME AND CLAMP IT.*



# CONTD...

2. *DOOR FRAMES ON ONE SIDE  
ARE LOADED AND TACK  
WELDED.*



TIE RODS

# CONTD...

3. *SIDE WALLS ARE LOADED IN THE JIG ON BOTH SIDES AND TACK WELDED. INTERNAL DIMENSIONS ARE MAINTAINED.*



# CONTD...

*4. AGAIN DOOR FRAMES ARE LOADED ON THE OTHER END OF UNDERFRAME. TIE RODS ARE USED TO MAINTAIN THE INTERNAL DIMENSIONS.*





# CONTD...

5. *LAVATORY SIDE WALLS ARE LOADED AND TACK WELDED WITH UNDERFRAME AND DOOR FRAMES.*



# CONTD...

6. *ROOF IS MOUNTED OVER  
SIDE WALLS AND TACK  
WELDED.*





# CONTD...

7. *END WALL ASSEMBLIES  
ARE LOADED ON THE  
HEAD STOCK OF THE  
UNDER FRAME AND TACK  
WELDED.*



# CONTD...

8. *ROOF ELEMENT IS LOADED OVER LAV. SIDE WALLS ON BOTH SIDES AND TACK WELDED. IT IS USED FOR FITTING OF AIR CONDITIONER ASSEMBLY.*



ROOF ELEMENT

# CONTD...

9. *COMPLETE WELDING OF FOLLOWING PARTS IS DONE FROM INSIDE.*
  - (i) *ROOF WITH SIDE WALL.*
  - (ii) *SIDE WALL WITH UNDERFRAME.*
  - (iii) *SIDE WALL WITH DOOR FRAME.*
  - (iv) *LAV. SIDE WALL WITH END WALL.*
  - (v) *ROOF ELEMENT WITH DOOR FRAME.*
  - (vi) *UNDERFRAME WITH END WALL.*

# CONTD...

*10. CROSS BRACES ARE WELDED WITH ROOF INSIDE SHELL FOR AIR CONDITIONER'S DUCT. THEN THE SHELL IS MOVED TO STAGE 2.*

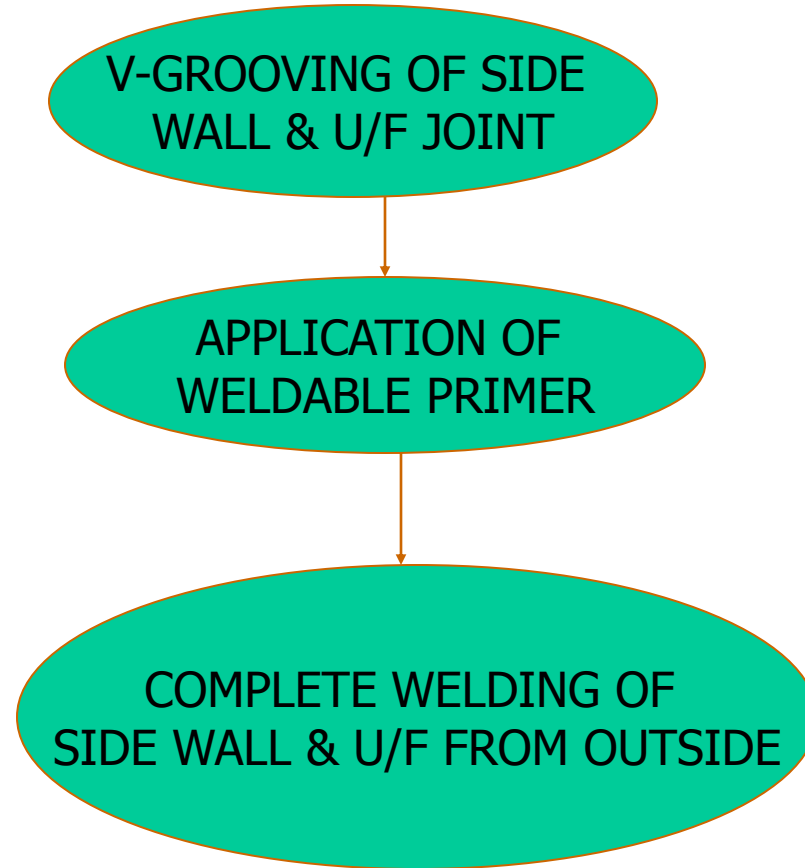


CROSS BRACE

**STAGE II**

# PROCESS CHART

## STAGE 2



- 1. V- GROOVING OF UNDERFRAME SOLE BAR WITH SIDE WALL JOINT IS DONE FROM OUTSIDE THE SHELL BY USING ANGLE GRINDER ON BOTH SIDES OF SHELL.*
- 2. 'META COT 'SILVER GREY WELDABLE PRIMER IS APPLIED TO AVOID BIMETALLIC CORROSION.*



CONTD....

3. *SOLE BAR AND SIDE WALL ARE WELDED FROM EXTERIOR OF SHELL USING MAGNETIC TRACK WELDING MACHINE.*
4. *GRINDING OF WELDED JOINTS OF SOLE BAR AND SIDE WALL IS DONE.*



WELDING JOINT

# WELDING PARAMETER FOR MAG CO2 WELDING

MAT. THICKNESS	NO. OF LAYERS	WIRE DIA mm	WELDING CURRENT (AMP)	ARC VOLTAGE	WIRE FEED M/MIN	TRAVEL SPEED CM/MIN	THROAT THICKNESS (a mm)
1.6*1.6	1	0.8	100-120	22-24	5.0	50	1.2
2.0*2.0	1	0.8	100-120	22-24	5.0	45	1.6
2.0*5.0	1	1.2	100-120	22-24	5.0	45	2.5
5.0*5.0	1	1.2	200-220	26-27	6.5	40	3.2

# **STAGEWISE ACTIVITIES OF SHELL** **ASSEMBLY**

## **SAS-I**

**ACTIVITIES :- CLAMPING OF U/F BY CLAMPS.**

- # ALIGN WITH PIANO WIRE AT THREE LOCATIONS**
- # LOADING OF 5 INTERNAL JIGGING FRAME**
- # DOOR FRAME FITMENT**
- # MIDDLE SIDE WALL FITMENT**
- # TACKING OF SIDE WALL SHEET TO U/F FLANGE**
- # STRAIGHTNESS IS CHECKED WITH PIANO WIRE**
- # PLACEMENT OF ROOF**
- # ROOF CROSS BRACES FITMENT**
- # PLACEMENT OF FINAL ROOF ELEMENT**
- # END WALL FITTING**

# STAGES OF SHELL ASSEMBLY

## SAS-II

# WELDING OF SIDE WALL WITH SOLEBAR BOTH SIDES FROM OUTSIDE WITH TRACTOR WELDING. GRINDING OF ALL THE HORIZONTAL & VERTICAL WELDING JOINTS FOR PROPER OUTER FINISH

# **STAGES OF SHELL ASSEMBLY**

- **SAS-III**
- **SENDER GRINDING TO REMOVE HIGH SPOTS**
- **COLD STRAIGHTENING THE SIDE WALL & END WALL**
- **SKIN TENSIONING BY HEATING OF SIDE WALL FROM INSIDE THROUGH PERFORATED PLATE HOLES WITH MULTI HEAD TORCH BY USING OXY ACETYLENE SET.**
- **CHECK THE SURFACE FINISH BEFORE & AFTER SKIN TENSIONING.**
- **PIN WELDING ON ROOF (660 Nos ) BY PIN WELDING MACHINE TO HOLD GLASS WOOL.**



# **STAGES OF SHELL ASSEMBLY**

## **SAS-IV**

**# FITTING OF PARTITION FRAME  
WHERE REQUIRED**

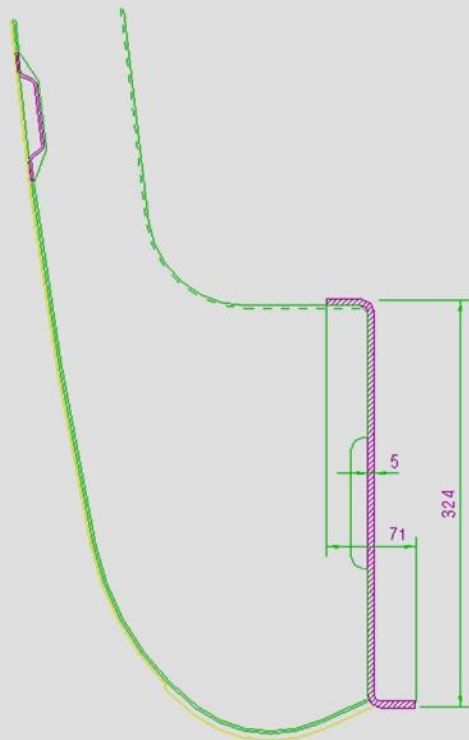
**# WELDING PARTS CAR BODY  
SHELL PP END & NPP END**

**# CBC FITMENT**

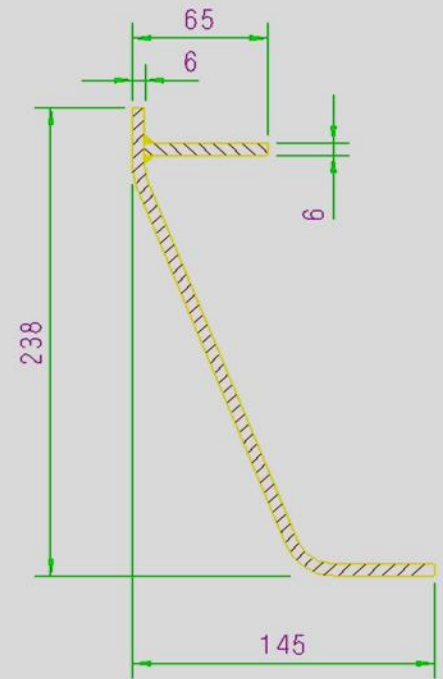
# **STAGES OF SHELL ASSEMBLY**

- **CHECKING & INSPECTION**
- **# ALL DIMENSIONAL INSPECTION OF THE SHELL**
- **# DPT TEST FOR SIDE WALL JOINTS**
- **# TWIST CHECK**
- **# PLACING ON DIPLORY FOR SHIFTING TO NEXT STAGE**

**COMPARISION**



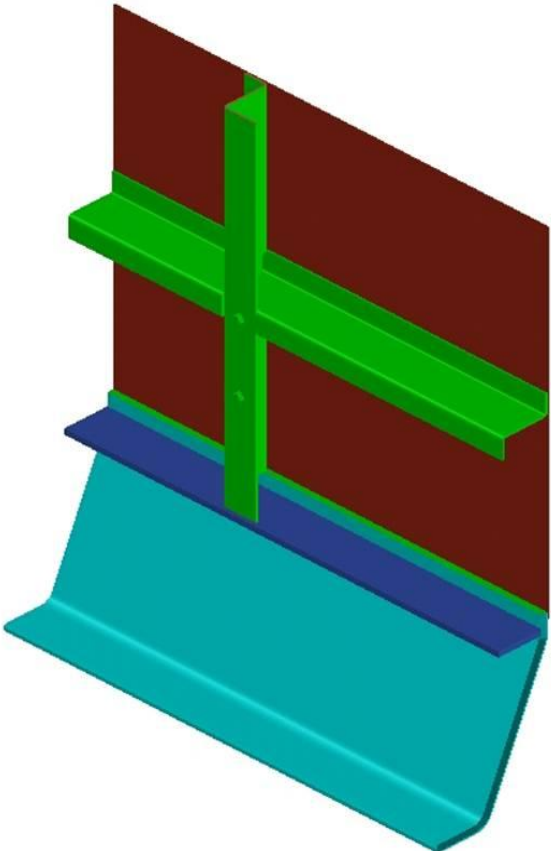
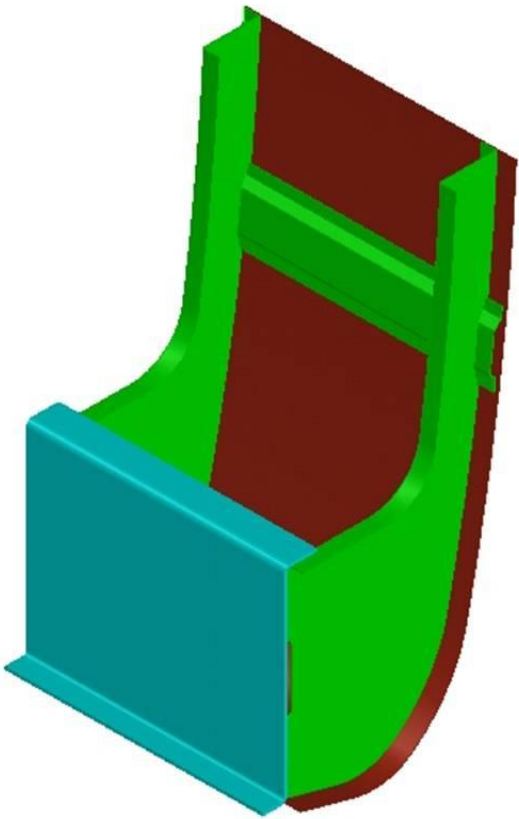
SOLE BAR (ICF TYPE)



SOLE BAR (LHB TYPE)

- TURN UNDER HAS BEEN ELIMINATED
- CLEAR APPROACH FOR SAND BLASTING AND PAINTING
- NO ACCUMULATION OF WATER AND MUCK
- PILLAR RESTS ON SOLEBAR AS COMPARED TO LOAD TRANSFER THROUGH A VERTICAL WELDED JOINT IN CONV. COACHES

# SIDEWALL TO UNDERFRAME JOINT, CONV. VS.LHB





END WALL  
OVERHANGS  
BEYOND HEAD  
STOCK

-RELEASING  
MORE SPACE  
INSIDE

-REDUCING SPACE  
AND HENCE WIND  
RESISTANCE DUE  
TO TURBULENCE  
BETWEEN  
COACHES.

-GAP BETWEEN END WALLS OF TWO COUPLED COACHES IS  
300 MM ONLY





SEPARATE DOOR FRAME  
FITTED BEFORE  
SIDEWALLS IN LHB, NO  
PROBLEM OF DOOR  
SIZE/SQUARENESS ETC.



NO DOOR FRAME, DOOR  
OPENING SQUARENESS  
MAINTAINED BY FITTING  
ONE SIDE'S DOOR CORNER  
SHEET AFTER SIDE WALL



**•WEIGHT PER METER LENGTH OF LHB COACHES IS APPROXIMATELY 10% LESS THAN THE CONVENTIONAL COACHES. BETTER PAYLOAD TO TARE WT RATIO.**

**•NO CHANGE REQUIRED IN SHELL DESIGN FOR SPEEDS OF 200KMPH**

<b>•DIMENSIONAL COMPARISON</b>	<b>ICF</b>	<b>LHB</b>
<b>LENGTH OVER BODY</b>	<b>21770</b>	<b>23540</b>
<b>LENGTH OVER BUFFER</b>	<b>22280</b>	<b>24700</b>
<b>WIDTH OVER BODY</b>	<b>3245</b>	<b>3240</b>
<b>INNER WIDTH</b>	<b>3065</b>	<b>3120</b>
<b>WINDOW OPENING (ac sleeper)</b>	<b>1220x610</b>	<b>1180x760</b>

# WINDOWS





# Sealed window Glass Units

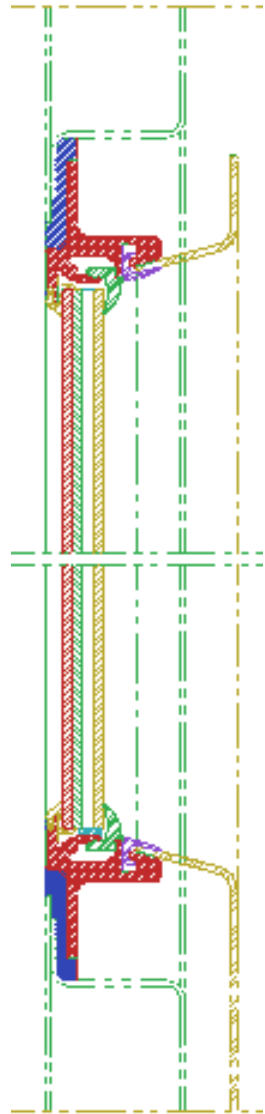
- The window glass unit characteristics are:

- K value not less than  $1.6 \text{ W/M}^2\text{K}$
- Transparency  $> 39 \%$
- Reflection  $> 40$
- Total energy absorption  $< 21\%$

- The sealed window units consists of 8.4 mm outer laminated and 4 mm tempered inner glass with 6 mm Krypton/Argon gas filling

- Window glass is secured to Al extrusions by rubber profiles

- The Al frame is glued to the car body with the help of PU, elastic gap filling structural adhesive (Sikaflex-264 T & eq.). Capable of withstanding high dynamic stresses



# Emergency openable window



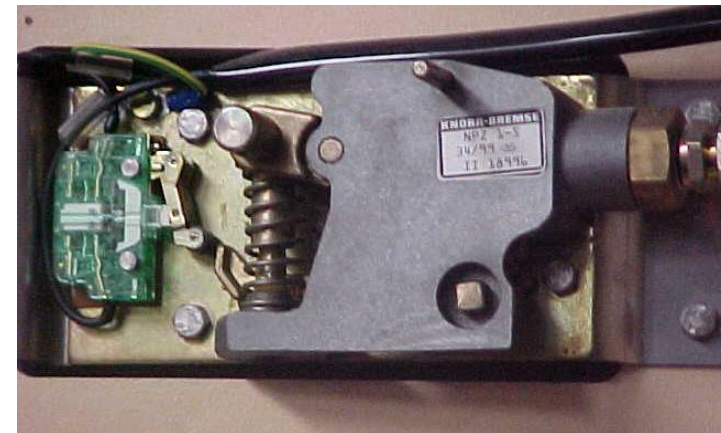
- It is similar to the fixed unit
- Four units are provided each coach to allow emergency evacuation of passengers
- A handle connected to the rubber profile opens the glass unit of the emergency window



**HOPPER WINDOW FOR LAVATOTRY**

# Passenger Emergency Alarm

- 5 passenger emergency alarms per coach in chair car have been provided at following locations:
  - 2 in passenger compartment
  - 3 in lavatories
- There is no mechanical linkage like a chain and these handles directly operate a valve venting the brake pipe
- Designed to stop the train not just warn the driver







**THANK YOU**