

Basics & Design for Ultra Clean Vacuum

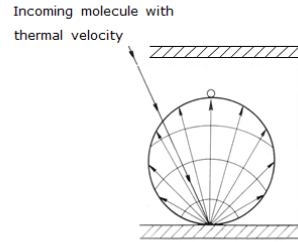
Why use vacuum?

- Generate force
 - Sucking cup
 - Clamping
- Prevent heat conduction/convection
 - Thermos
- Evaporate metals
 - Coating
- Avoid contamination
 - Loss of reflection of mirrors (EUV)
 - Contaminating samples (TEM/SEM)
- Avoid absorption of energy
 - EUV
 - Electron- / Ion beams / X-rays

0,3 – 1 mbar
Vacuum: specification

10^{-2} – 10^{-10} mbar
Vacuum: system requirement

Molecular flow



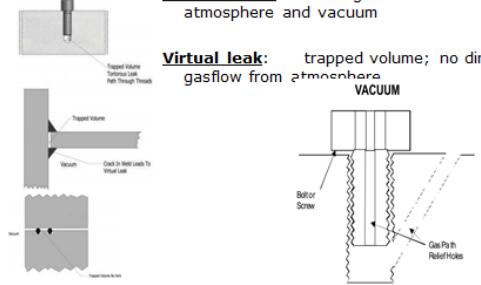
Hybrid Molecular Pump Siegbahn principle



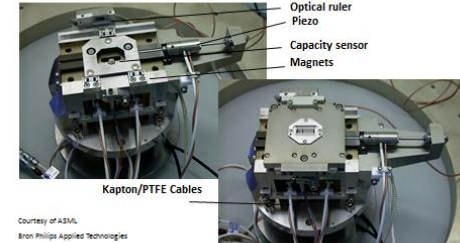
'Normal' & virtual leaks

Normal leaks: direct gasflow between atmosphere and vacuum

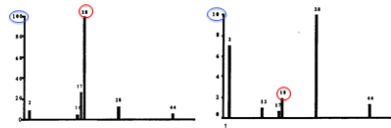
Virtual leak: trapped volume; no direct gasflow from atmosphere



Example: Mechatronic system Closed loop Piezostepper



Examples of spectra 2 Residual gas spectra of a non-baked vacuum system



Ultimate pressure (U)HV system

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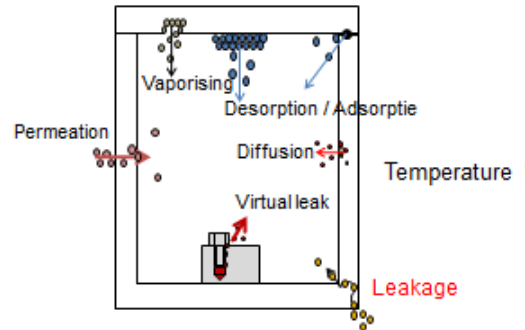
Q (mbar ltr / sec)
S_{eff} (ltr/sec)

Sources of gas:

- Q_{desorption}
- Q_{permeation}
- Q_{virt.leak}
- Q_{leak}

leakage:

- Q_{leak} = p_{min} / S_{eff}

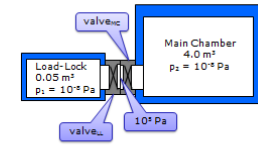


O-ring seal



Exercise 1, question

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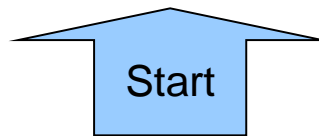
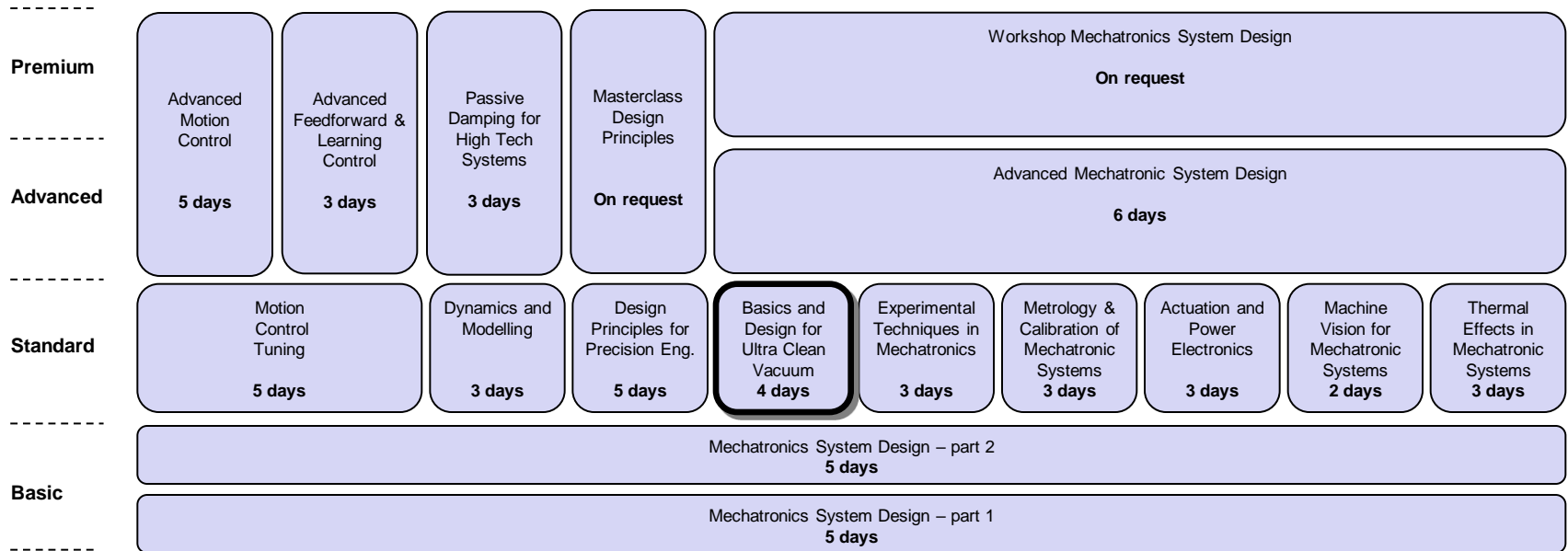


What is the pressure in the main chamber after opening the indicated valve?

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Mechatronics Training Curriculum



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Applied Optics, Electronics for non-electrical engineers, System Architecture, Soft skills for technology professionals, ...*

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Mechatronics Academy

- In the past, many trainings were developed within Philips to train own staff, but the training center CTT stopped.
- **Mechatronics Academy B.V.** has been setup to provide continuity of the existing trainings and develop new trainings in the field of precision mechatronics. It is founded and run by:
 - Prof. Maarten Steinbuch
 - Prof. Jan van Eijk
 - Dr. Adrian Rankers
- We cooperate in the **High Tech Institute** consortium that provides sales, marketing and back office functions.

Basics & Design for Ultra Clean Vacuum

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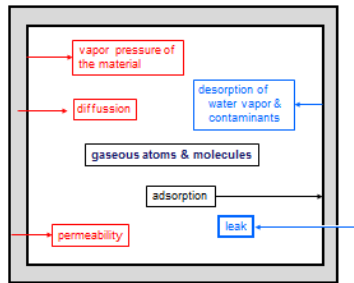
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Program

Day	Topic	Presenter
1	09.00 Fundamentals / Flow of gases 12.30 Lunch 13.30 Total & Partial Pressure 17.00 End of day	Gesa Welker Dick van Langeveld
2	09.00 Pumps / Applied RGA 12.30 Lunch 13.30 Leak Tightness (Theory & Practice) 17.00 End of day	David Schijve + Dick van Langeveld David Schijve
3	09.00 Engineering Aspects 12.30 Lunch 13.30 Mechatronic Aspects 17.00 End of day	Dick van Langeveld Mark Meuwese
4	09.00 Design for Qualification 12.30 Lunch 13.30 Vacuum Budgetting 17.00 End of day	Thom Bijsterbosch / Sven Pekelder Sven Pekelder + Mark Meuwese

Day 1 (morning)

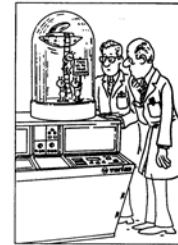
Sources of gases to take care of



Determined in the design phase (materials selection),
Key-role: storage and assembly.

Air is a mixture of gases

Composition of dry air:			
%	gas	Symbol	AMU
78.08	nitrogen	N ₂	28
20.95	oxygen	O ₂	32
00.93	argon	Ar	40
3.3x10 ⁻²	carbon dioxide	CO ₂	44
1.8x10 ⁻³	neon	Ne	20
5.0x10 ⁻⁴	helium	He	4
1.0x10 ⁻⁴	krypton	Kr	84
5.0x10 ⁻⁵	hydrogen	H ₂	2
	?		



What more could be there??

The mean free path, λ, of molecules 3

Transport properties of a gas depend on the length of λ as related to the characteristic dimensions of the part through which the gas flows.

This ratio is known as the **Knudsen number**, $Kn = \lambda/d$

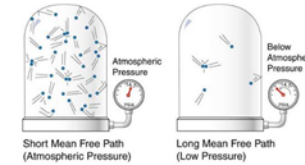
One can discriminate different regimes:

$Kn \ll 1$: 'high' p, high density, **viscous flow**

$Kn \gg 1$: 'low' p, low density (diluted gases), **molecular flow**

Consequence:

We need to use different physical models to describe the flow of gases in the different regimes.

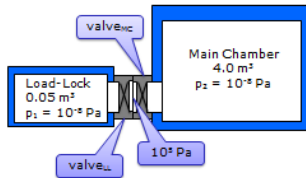


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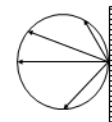
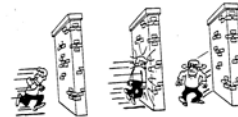
What is the pressure in the main chamber after opening the indicated valve?

A few basic things about sorption

Number of colliding molecules N_c on a surface A

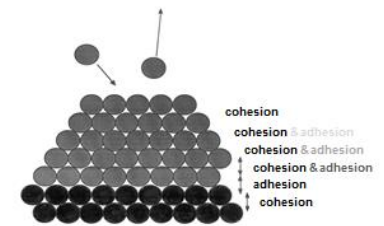
$$\Delta N_c / \Delta t = 0.25 \times (N/V) \times A \times \bar{v}$$

A gas molecule loses its original impulse and temperature upon contact with the surface of a solid and adopts the temperature of the surface 'instantaneously'.



When desorbing, the molecule preferentially leaves the surface perpendicular to it.

Condensation



Condensation only occurs at sufficiently low T, when the cohesion between the layers is stronger than the thermal energy

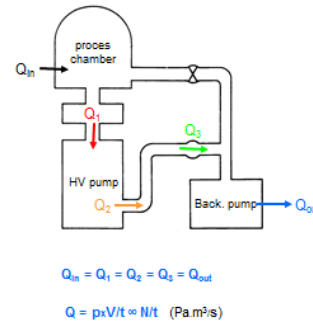
Example: water on windows in wintertime, or ice in the freezer.

Day 1 (afternoon)

Flow of gases



Flow of gas through a system



Summary conductances

Opening	C_{mot} $C_{air} [\text{m}^3/\text{s}] @300\text{K}$	C_{clam} $C_{air} [\text{m}^3/\text{s}] @300\text{K}$
Opening	117A	-
Aperture (circular)	$92d^2$	-
Long cylindrical tube	$123 \frac{d^3}{l}$	$1.33 \times 10^3 \frac{d^4}{l} \bar{p}$
Rectangular tube	$737 \frac{a^2 b^2}{(a+b)l} g$	$1.92 \times 10^3 \frac{a^2 b^2}{l} \bar{p} f$

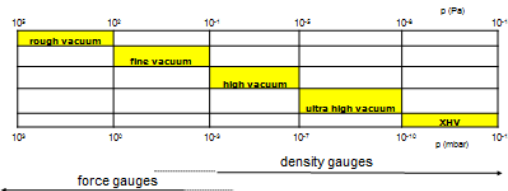
Where:
 A: surface Area (m²)
 d: diameter (m)
 l: length (m)
 a: short side rectangle (m)
 b: long side rectangle (m)
 f: shape factor 1
 g: shape factor 2
 p: average pressure (Pa)

for laminar flow, the conductance is a function of the average pressure in the tube

Vacuum regimes

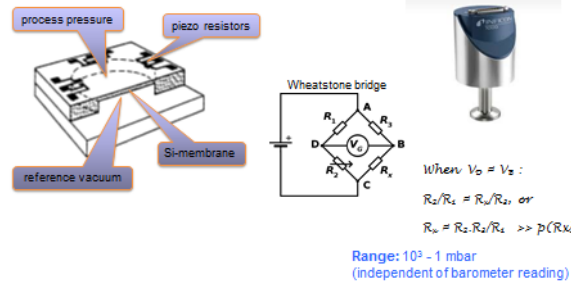
All calculations standard in SI units:

$1 \text{ atm} = 760 \text{ Torr} = 760 \text{ mm Hg} \approx 1000 \text{ mbar} = 10^5 \text{ Pa}$

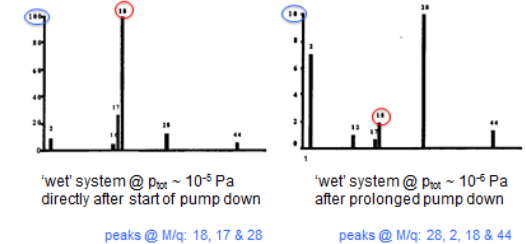


Piezoelectric pressure gauge

Working principle:
 Si-membrane deforms due to pressure differences;
 stretch of semiconductor (piezo)resistors affects their resistance;
 which is measured in a Wheatstone bridge.

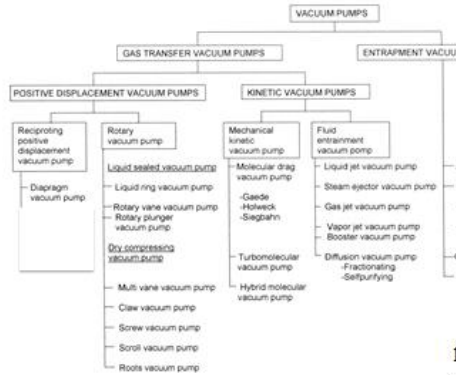


Examples of spectra 2 Residual gas spectra of a non-baked vacuum system



Day 2 (morning)

Overview Vacuum pumps



Types of compression

Isothermal compression:

Heat of compression is dissipated by the pump and its pumpmedium.

$$T_{\text{gas in}} = T_{\text{gas out}} \quad \text{So: } p_1 \times V_1 = p_2 \times V_2 \quad (\text{Boyle's law})$$

With $p_1 = 10 \text{ mbar}$, $V_1 = 100 \text{ cm}^3$ and $V_2 = 1 \text{ cm}^3$ it follows
 $p_2 = 1000 \text{ mbar}$

Adiabatic compression:

Heat of compression is fully transferred to the gas.

$$T_{\text{gas out}} > T_{\text{gas in}} \quad \text{So: } p_1 \times (V_1)^{1.4} = p_2 \times (V_2)^{1.4}$$

With $p_1 = 10 \text{ mbar}$, $V_1 = 100 \text{ cm}^3$ and $V_2 = 1 \text{ cm}^3$ it follows
 $p_2 = 6309 \text{ mbar}$

Multistage Diaphragm Pump



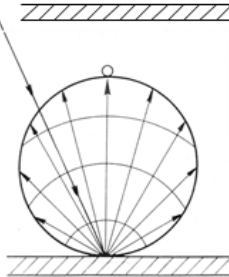
MV2,
4-stages, 4 cylinders

MD8,
3-stages, 8 cylinders



Molecular flow

Incoming molecule with thermal velocity



Hybrid Molecular Pump Siegbahn principle



Summary turbomolecular pump

A TMP needs always a backing pump

Critical backing pressure of 10 Pa (10^{-1} mbar)

Compression ratio increases with increasing molecular mass

As long as the oil- or grease lubricated TMP is in operation:
no backstreaming of hydrocarbons

If an oil- or grease lubricated TMP is not in operation:
TMP should always be vented

Day 2 (afternoon)

Ultimate pressure (U)HV system

$$p_{\min} = Q/S_{\text{eff}} \quad Q \text{ (mbar ltr / sec)} \\ S_{\text{eff}} \text{ (ltr/sec)}$$

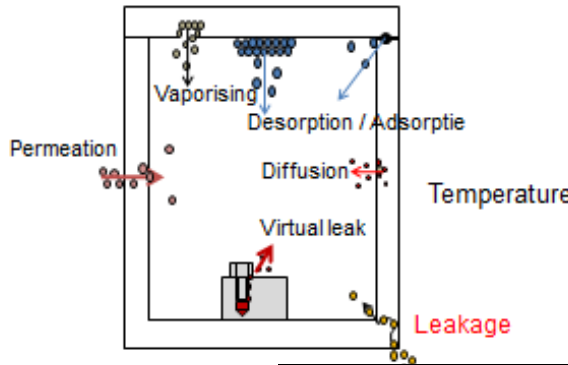
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$$Q_{\text{leak}}$$

leakage:

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Leaktesting

Why?

- R&D: (U)HV systems Lowest possible pressure !
- Industry: Quality certification !

Example:

Gas cylinder Airbag need 10 yrs operation
Qualification: pressure-drop less < 0,5

$$Q_{\text{leak}} = V \cdot \Delta p / \Delta t \\ = 0,2 \text{ ltr} \cdot 500 / 10 \cdot 365 \cdot 24 \cdot 3,6 \\ = 3,2 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ mbar ltr / sec}$$

Residual Gas Analysis

- (high)vacuum systems
- analysing the gas composition divided by molecular mass
- measuring partial pressures
- possibly leaktesting:
 - peak for N2 and O2 at 4:1
 - use helium peak



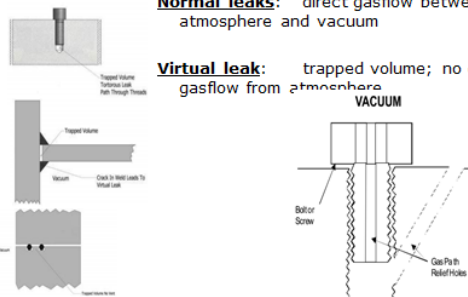
Leaktesting methods

- **Pressure-rise test** 10^{-2} mbar l/s
 - Simple, direct, no location
- **Soap or foam** 10^{-2} mbar l/s
 - overpressure, location, low sensitivity
- **Alcohol/acetone/helium/argon with pirani** 10^{-3} mbar l/s
 - underpressure, location, low sensitivity
- **Overpressure test, specific gas** 10^{-5} mbar l/s
 - overpressure, location, medium sensitivity
- **Helium leaktesting** 10^{-11} mbar l/s
 - underpressure, location, very high sensitivity
- **Residual Gas Analysis** 10^{-11} mbar l/s
 - highvacuum, gas spectrum, very high sensitivity

'Normal' & virtual leaks

Normal leaks: direct gasflow between atmosphere and vacuum

Virtual leak: trapped volume; no direct gasflow from atmosphere



Leak calculation

Leaks generate gasflow Q:

Round hole:

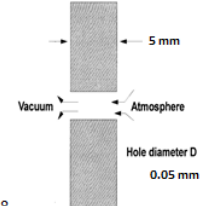
- Assume molecular or laminar flow
- $C = 123 \cdot d^3/L$
- Hair: $d = 0,05 \text{ mm}$
- Wall thickness 5 mm

$$C_{\text{mol, air}} = 123 \cdot (5 \cdot 10^{-5})^3 / 5 \cdot 10^{-3} = 3,1 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

$$C_{\text{lam, air}} = 1340 \cdot (100 \cdot 000/2) \cdot (5 \cdot 10^{-5})^4 / 5 \cdot 10^{-3} = 8,4 \cdot 10^{-8}$$

$$Q_{\text{mol, air}} = C_{\text{air}} \cdot \Delta p = 3,1 \cdot 10^{-9} \cdot 1 \cdot 10^5 = 3,1 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ Pam}^3/\text{sec} = 3,1 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ mbar l/s}$$

$$Q_{\text{lam, air}} = 8,4 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ mbar l/s}$$



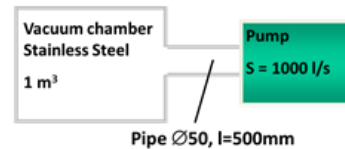
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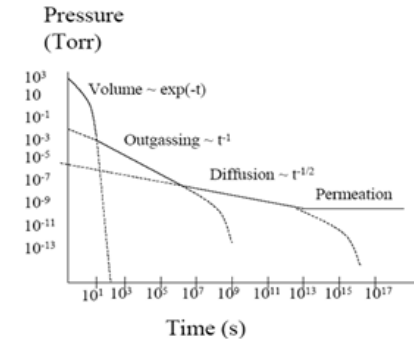
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- } 10⁻² – 10⁻¹⁰ mbar
Vacuum: system requirement

Pumping speed

- What will be the effective pumping speed at the entrance of the chamber?
- What will be the end pressure, when $Q=10^{-3}$ mbar.L/s
- What will be the pump-down time to reach 10^{-4} mbar?

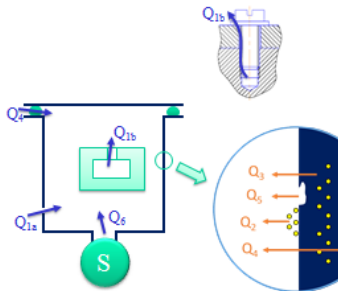


Theoretical pump down curve



Gasloads

1. Leaks
 - a. Real leaks
 - b. Virtual leaks
2. Desorption / Outgassing
3. Diffusion
4. Permeation
5. Evaporation
6. Back streaming pump

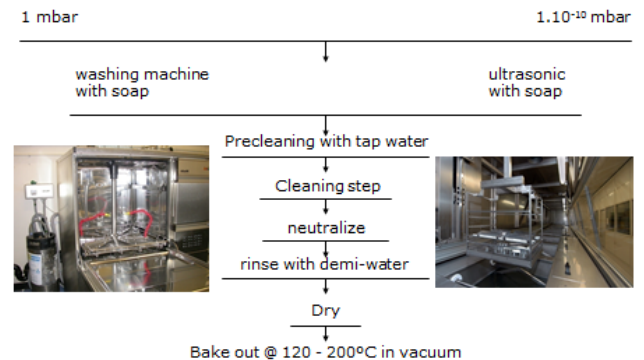


O-ring seal

O-ring
Why here?



Cleaning procedures, removing oil & grease with water & soap



Day 3 (afternoon)

Feedthroughs

- Electrical feedthrough
- Mechanical feedthrough
- Fluid feedthrough

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Example: Mechatronic system Closed loop Piezostepper

- Optical ruler
- Piezo
- Capacity sensor
- Magnets
- Kapton/PTFE Cables

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Adhesives

Glue connection, Araldite 2011
~1.2 e-8 mBar

Bolt connection
~7e-8 mBar

Pumping speed: 73 l/sec.
after one hour pumping
temperature: 45 °C

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Differential pumped airbearing

EUV α-tool Reticle Stage Long Stroke

Slider | Gap

End pressure
2 diff vacuum level
1 diff vacuum level
Exhaust atm

Airbearing pressure

Airbearing

Atmosphere
First Diff. Vacuum
Sec. Diff. Vacuum

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E-beam recorder

- only SEM in vacuum
- airbearing vacuum interface (limited by resist)
- 130 Gbyte on cd-size disk (DVD 5Gb)

10⁹ mbar

Translation

10³ mbar

Bearing gap 10 μm

Master disc

10 mbar 10¹ mbar 10² mbar Air bearing 6 bar

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Example actuators I: actuator coils

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Electronics in vacuum

- Voltage breakdown during pump down
- Atmospheric pressure ~ 1kV/mm
- High vacuum ~ 10 kV/mm
- Insulator surface ~ 1 kV/mm

"hopping" electrons

Breakdown Voltage vs. Pressure (Air-0.1 Inch Gap)

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Example mechanical feedthrough

- pressure 1040 hPa → 970 hPa
- diameter below 50 mm
- Comingspur = 1 N/μm
- Calculate displacement sample

70 hPa = 7000 N/m²
ΔF = Δp · A = 7000 · (π/4) · 50² · 10⁻⁶ = 14N
displacement = 14 μm

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Example: SoCo magnets

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Day 4 (morning)

Qualification

- Medium RGA qualification system Philips Apptech
- Typical application: (sub)assemblies
- Background $\approx 1\%$ of product specification
 - $p_{H_2O} \approx 10^{-10} \text{ mbar}$



Checks

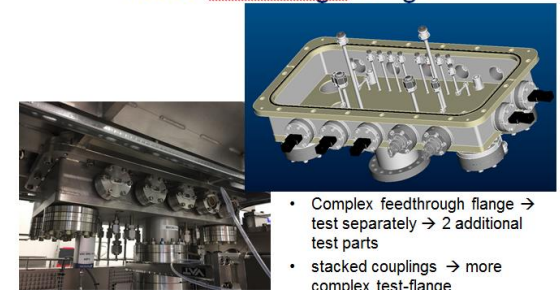
- Check $0.5 < \frac{PRGA}{P_{external}} < 2$
- Typical ratios

$$\frac{Q_{H_2O}}{Q_{C_xH_y, v}} = 100$$

$$\frac{Q_{H_2O}}{Q_{C_xH_y, nv}} = 1000$$
- Compare with estimations for outgassing rates [$\text{mbar} \cdot \text{l} / \text{s} \cdot \text{cm}^2$]

Material	Mat. Code	Surface treatment	EUV Application area				Testtemp. [°C]	Outgassing rate at 10 hours (mbar.l/s.cm²)		
			EUV Light path	EUV Mask	EUV Photo Vacuum	EUV (BCCOM)		Q H2O (mbar.l/s.cm²)	Q CxHy (mbar.l/s.cm²)	Q CxHy (nv) (mbar.l/s.cm²)
PT-100 304L Pickled and/or Passivated and/or electroplated	1.4308	2DOR18 10	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Outgassing (mbar.l/s.cm²)	2.00E-10	1.54E-11	1.54E-11
PT-100 316L Pickled and/or Passivated and/or electroplated	1.4844	2DOR1817 13	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Outgassing (mbar.l/s.cm²)	2.00E-10	1.54E-11	1.54E-11

Case: feedthrough flange

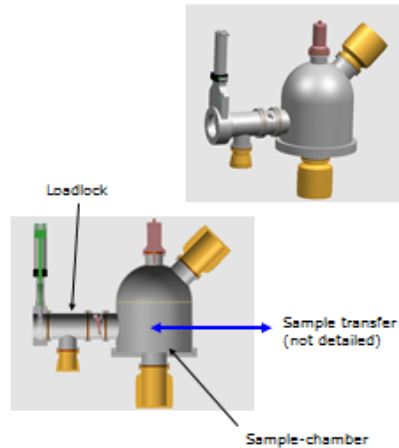


- Complex feedthrough flange → test separately → 2 additional test parts
- stacked couplings → more complex test-flange
- finding a leak very complex and time consuming

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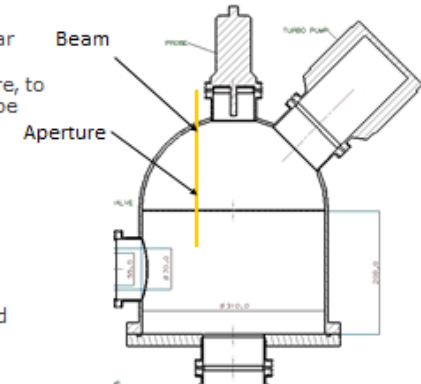
Overview vacuum system

- Qualification-chamber for materials testing
- Loadlock for entering and exiting samples
- Sample size 30x30x30 mm max
- Sample chamber 10^{-5} - 10^{-7} mbar depending on sample
- Required end pressure in loadlock 10^{-5} mbar
- Measuring device to be kept on 10^{-7} mbar
- Operating temperature 20 °C



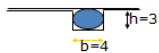
Main chamber

- Beam diameter 0,1 mm
- Lower chamber 10^{-5} - 10^{-7} mbar depending on gasload sample
- Upper chamber, above aperture, to be kept on 10^{-7} to protect probe electronics
- Pump lower chamber 200 l/s
- Outgassing of probe:
 $Q_{probe} = 6 \times 10^{-8}$ mbar.l/s
- Determine required pump at aperture diameter of 2 mm
- (neglect probe attachment and pump attachment)



Loadlock: O-rings

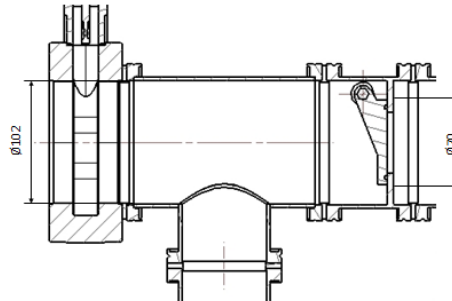
- O-ring diameter 3.53 mm, Viton
- Calculate permeation for one type based on following assumption:
Permeation length is the length of the O-ring groove.



- For other O-rings compensate for different length (all diameters taken equal for simplicity)

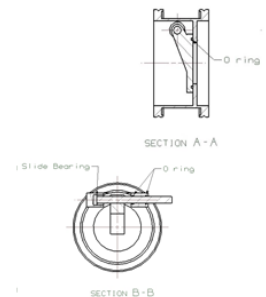
Loadlock: What determines the gasload?

VAT series 12 12140-PA44



Inner valve

- Does it work?
- Determine force required to compress the O-ring
- Would the compression be enough to limit leakrate at initial pumpdown of main chamber?
- What would be better solutions for the valve-construction?



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