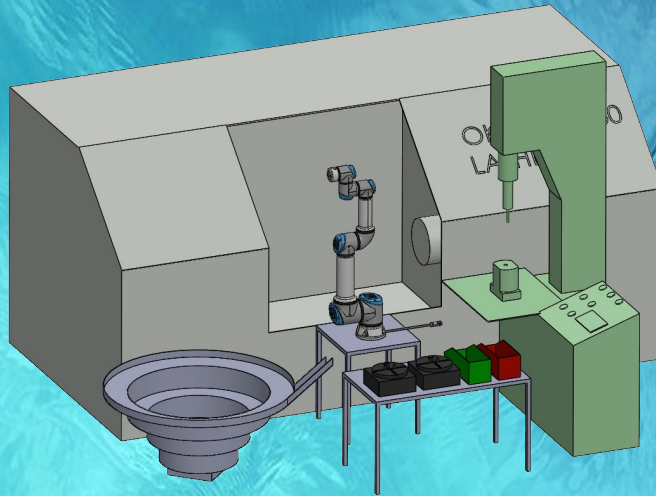


# MEM/ECE 493 : Final Senior Design Spring 2023

## Automating Bolt Manufacturing



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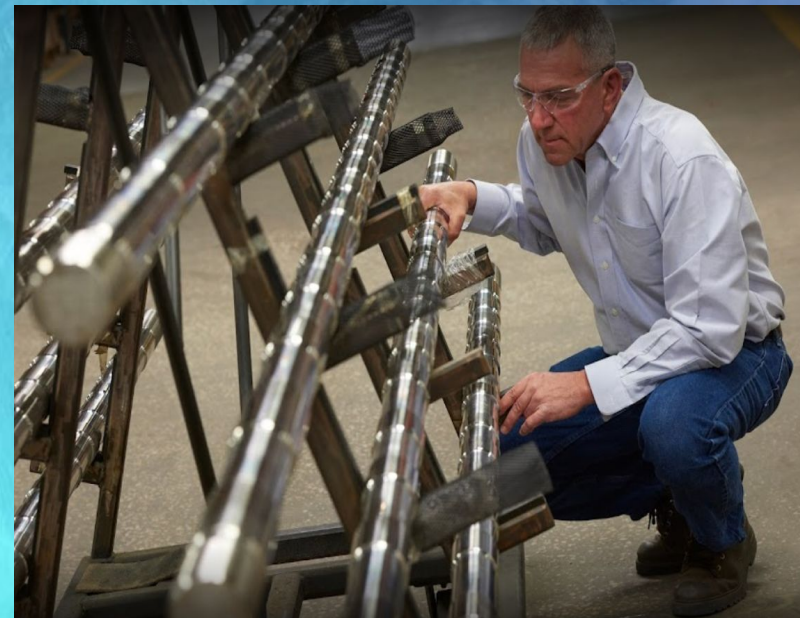
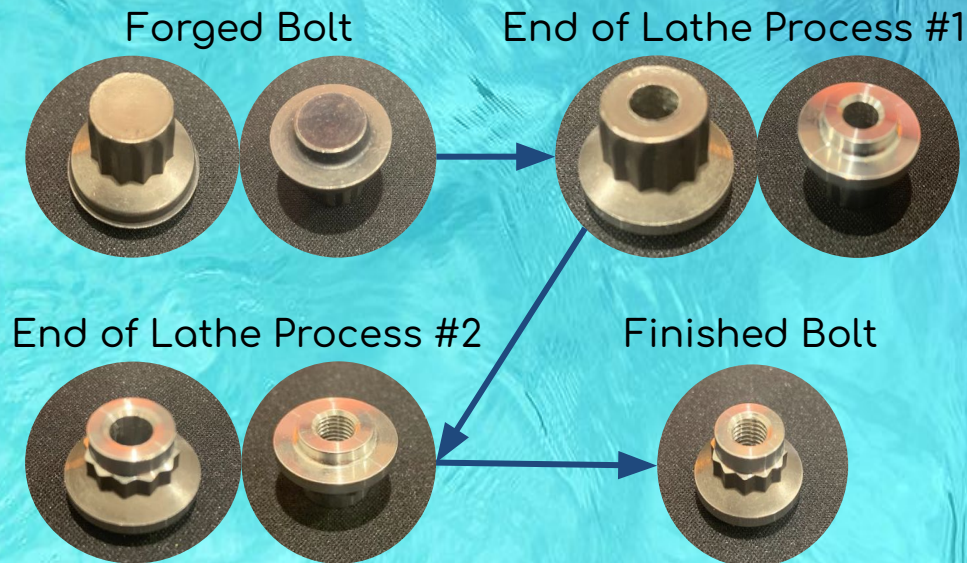
# Introduction

- Motivation

- High volume production
- Unique manufacturing processes
- Collaborative robot/new system

- Stakeholder needs

- Save cost
- Increase efficiency
- Accuracy processing





# Problem Statement

Process 1

Process 2

Process 3

Process 4

## Tumbler

Feed the small components such as bolts and nuts to automated processing



## Lathe Machine

The stock part will be loaded into the lathe for rough turning the part just outside the dimensional tolerances



## Threader Machine

Threading and inspection system process using a collaborative robot to ensure all operations are completed as efficiently as possible

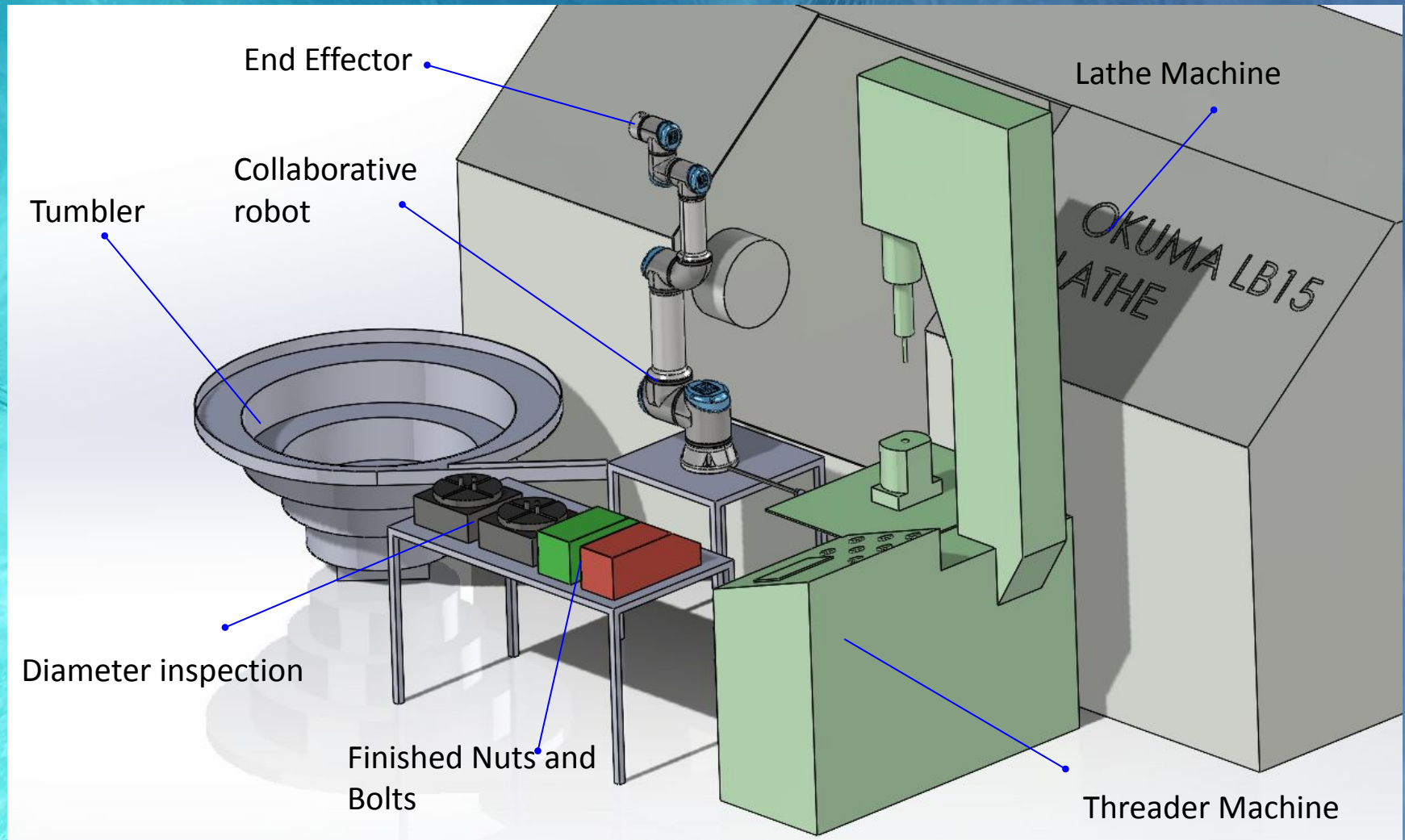


## Good and Bad Part Bin

Classify good and bad parts into 2 bins.



# Design Approach





# Pseudocode Flowchart

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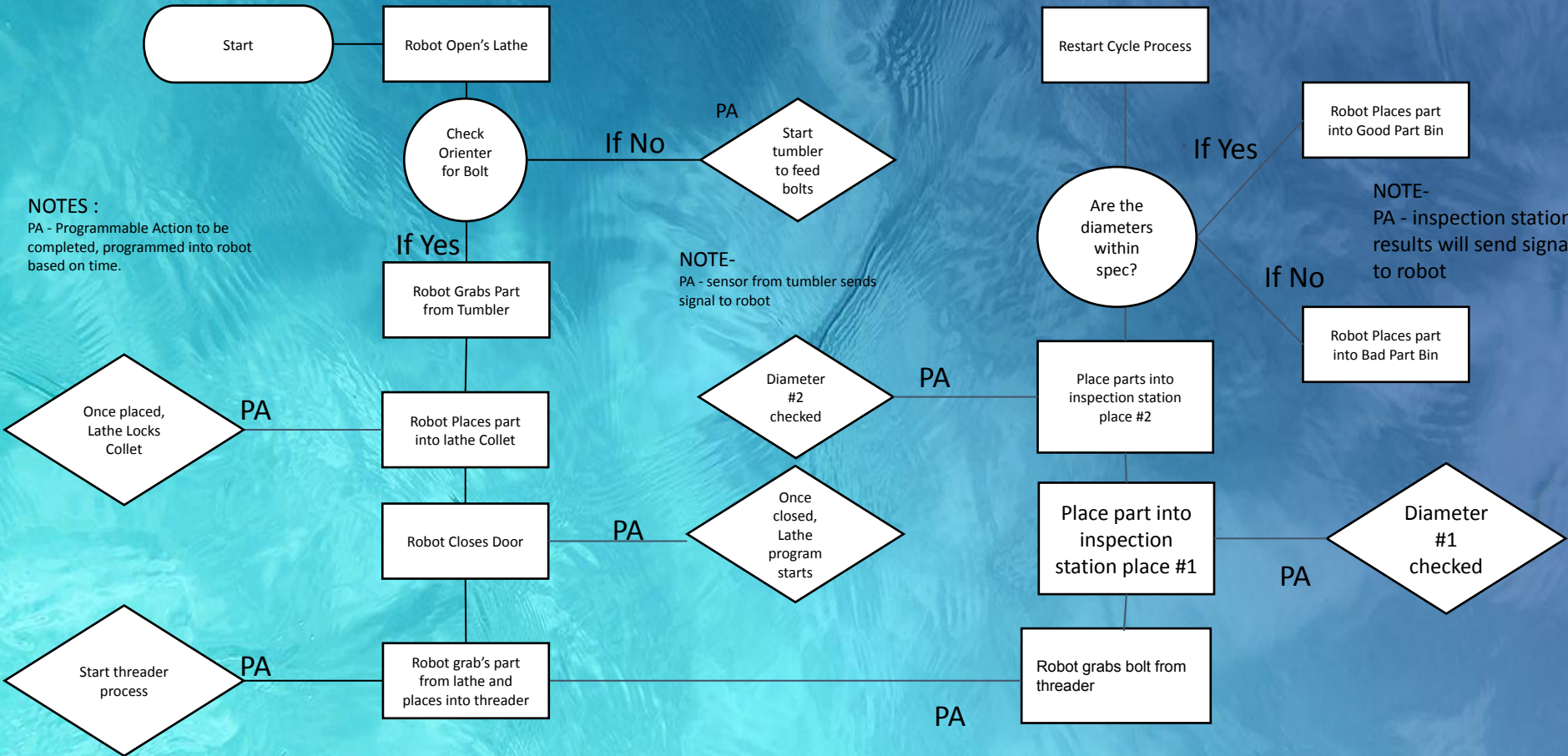
PA - Programmable Action to be completed, programmed into robot based on time.

## NOTE-

PA - sensor from tumbler sends signal to robot

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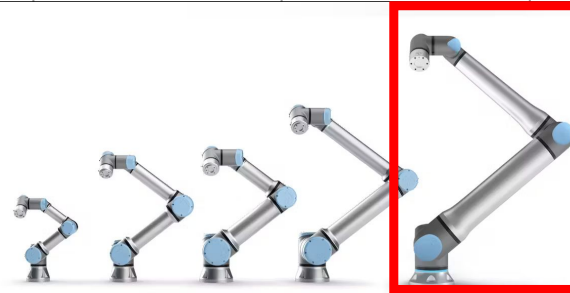
PA - inspection station results will send signal to robot



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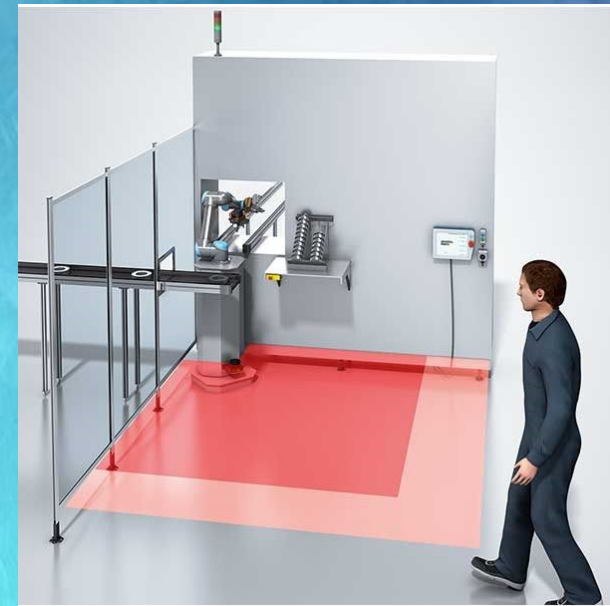
## Specifications

| Metric No. | Metric                        | Units                  | Impact | Marginal Value     | Ideal Value                   |
|------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1          | Total Bot Travel Distance     | Inches                 | 5      | 19.7" - 68.9"      | 60"                           |
| 2          | Measurement Accuracy          | Thousandths of an Inch | 5      | .0005" - .0001"    | .00005" - .00001"             |
| 3          | Efficiency                    | Parts per hour         | 3      | 20-100%            | 60-100%                       |
| 4          | Weight of Part                | Oz                     | 1      | 1oz - 2lb          | Current Part - 2oz            |
| 5          | Overall Length/Height of Part | Inches                 | 2      | 0.5" - 2"          | Current Part - 1.01" , 0.675" |
| 6          | Weight of Bot                 | Lbs                    | 1      | 24.7 lb - 141.1 lb | 141 lb                        |
| 7          | Accessibility Time            | minutes                | 2      | 5 - 10 minutes     | less than 1 - 2 minutes       |
| 8          | Payload                       | lbs                    | 1      | 6.6 lb - 44.1 lb   | 44.1 lb                       |

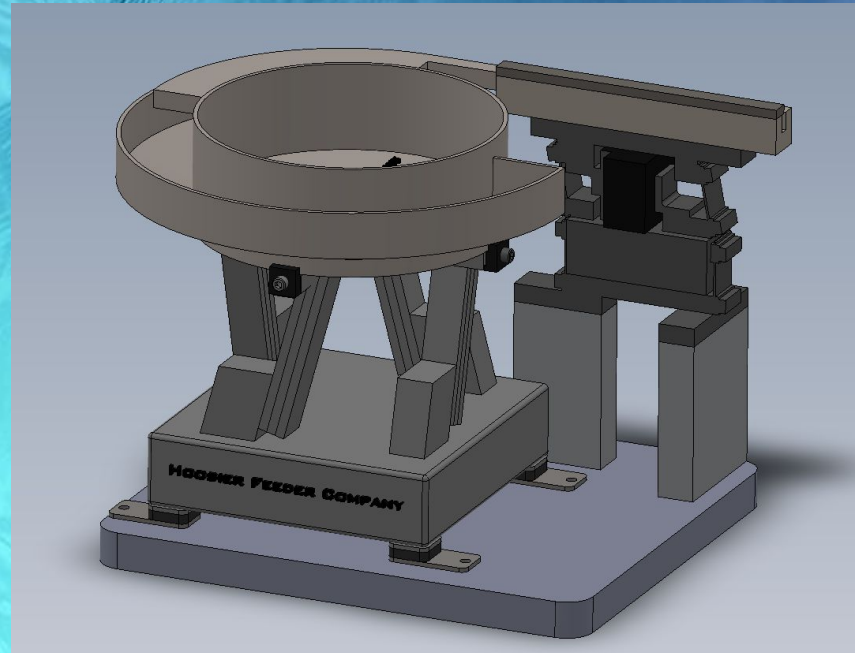
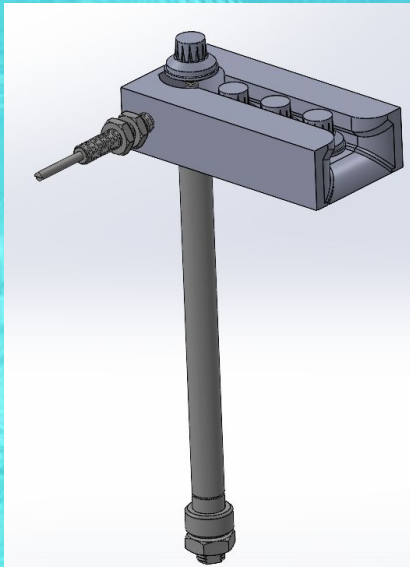




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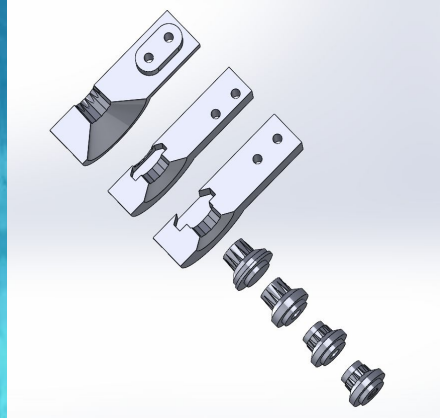
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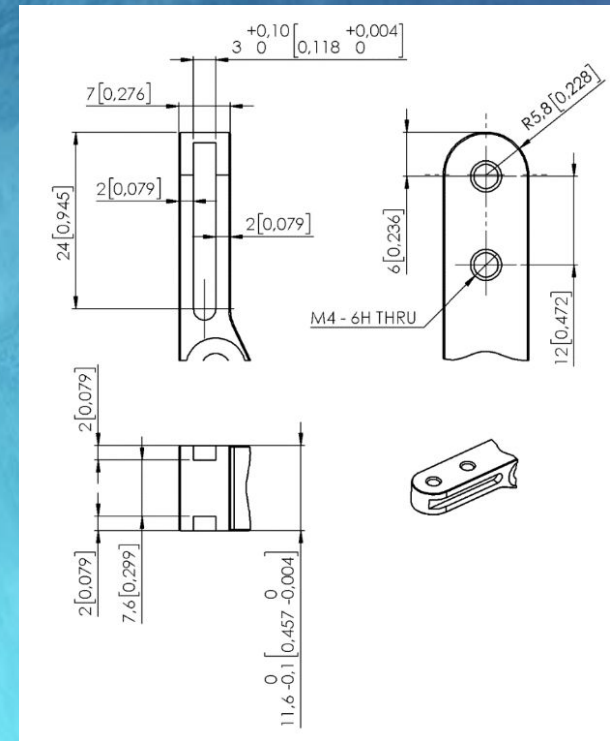
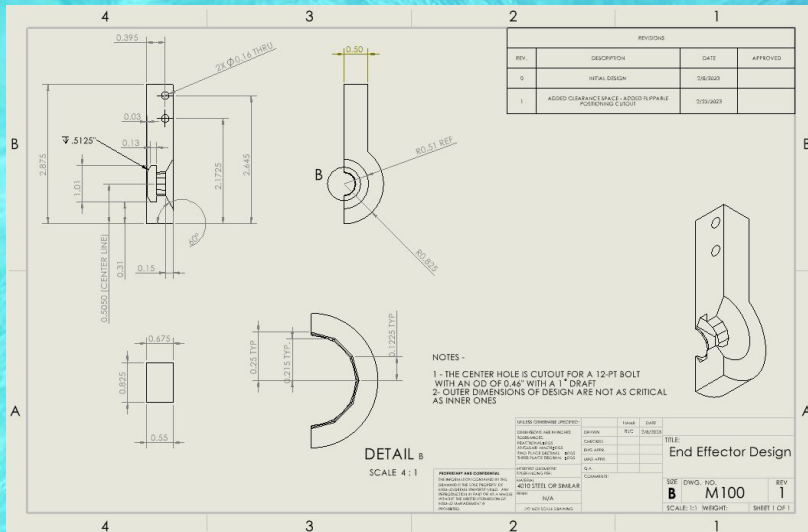


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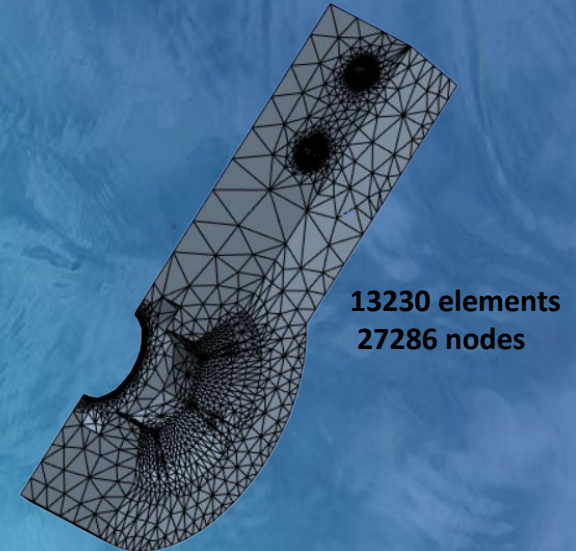
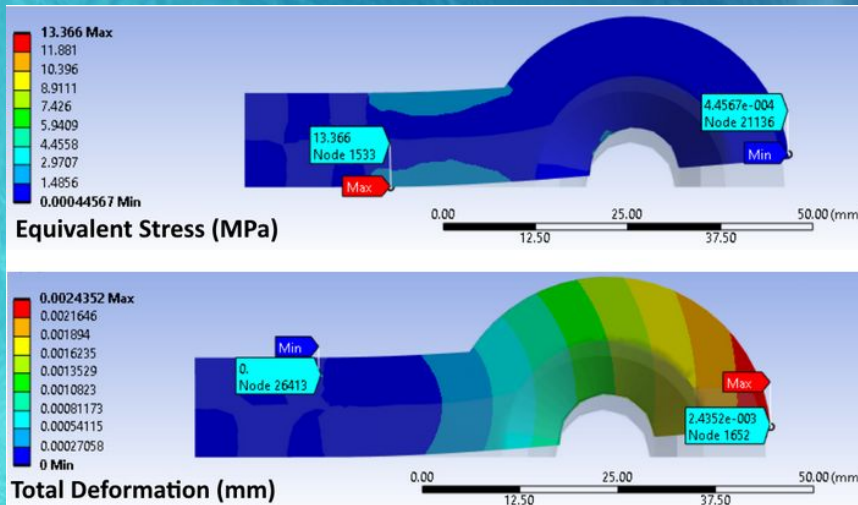
# R2- Gripper



# Standard End-Effector



# Final Design FEA



| End Effector Materials  |        |         |
|-------------------------|--------|---------|
| Material                | ABS    | Steel   |
| Cycles                  | 18,830 | 18,830  |
| Young's Modulus (MPa)   | 3200   | 200,000 |
| Poisson's Ratio         | 0.37   | 0.30    |
| Yield Strength (MPa)    | 48     | 250     |
| Ultimate Strength (MPa) | 74     | 460     |

| End Effector ANSYS Testing |         |         |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| Material                   | ABS     | Steel   |
| Deflection (mm)            | 0.15196 | 0.00244 |
| Equivalent Stress (MPa)    | 14.81   | 13.366  |



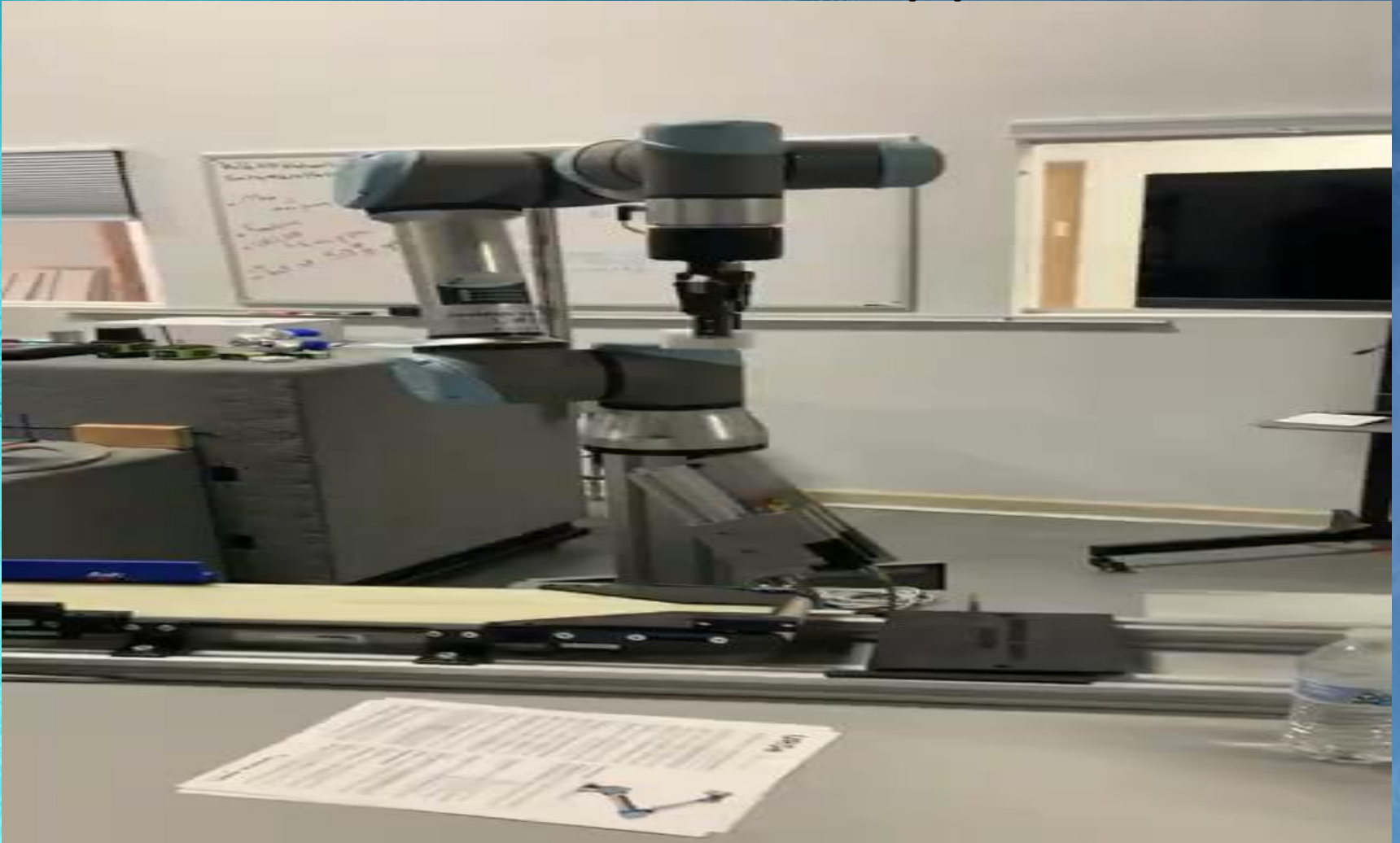
# Final Design Description Prototypes (Continued)

| Process Step                        | Potential Failure Mode           | Potential Failure Effect                  | SEV | Potential Causes                           | OCC | Current Process Controls                               | DET | RPN | Action Recommended                                 |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-----|--|-----|--|-----|-----|--|
| Robot moves bolts in/out of machine | End Effector Deforms/ Widens     | Attachment no longer able to lift bolt    | 5   | Deformation caused by overuse              | 8   | Robot allows switching gripper when max deform occurs  | 10  | 400 | Print/Construct duplicate End Effector             |
| Robot moves bolts in/out of machine | End Effector snaps at connection | Proper operation of Robot is not possible | 10  | Fracture caused by applied force over time | 2   | Maximum stress over 10K cycles below material fracture | 10  | 200 | Print/Construct duplicate End Effector             |
| Grab part from Orienter             | Arm unable to lift               | Proper operation of Robot is not possible | 10  | Bolt being worked with is too heavy        | 1   | Current bolt is under 1 oz                             | 10  | 100 | Keep manufactured bolts under max weight of 44 lbs |

## Failure Mode and Effect Analysis (FMEA)

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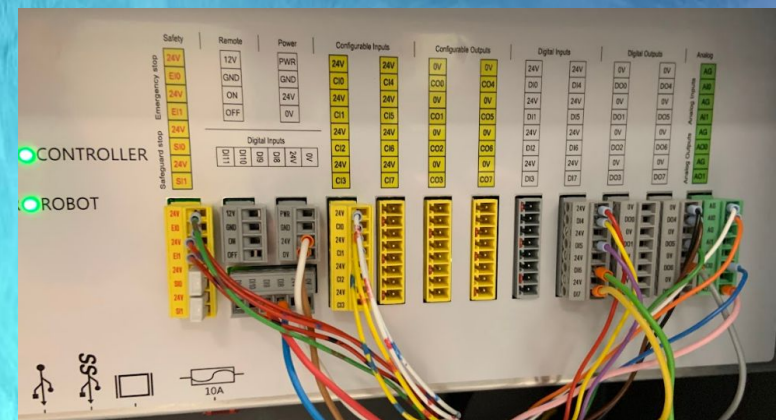
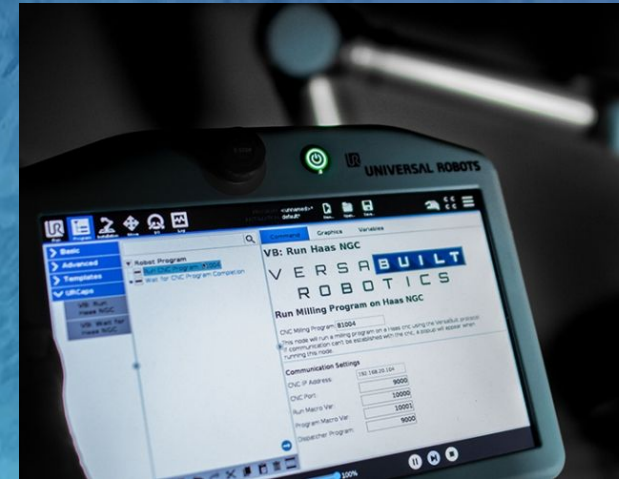
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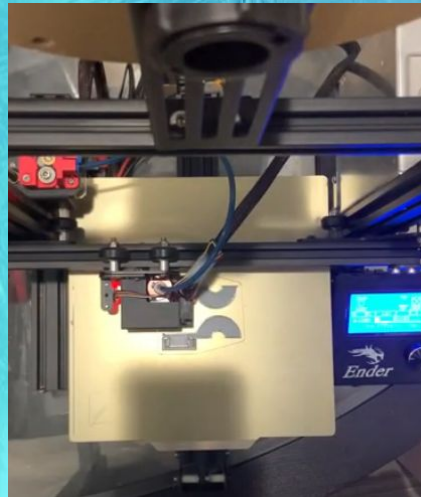
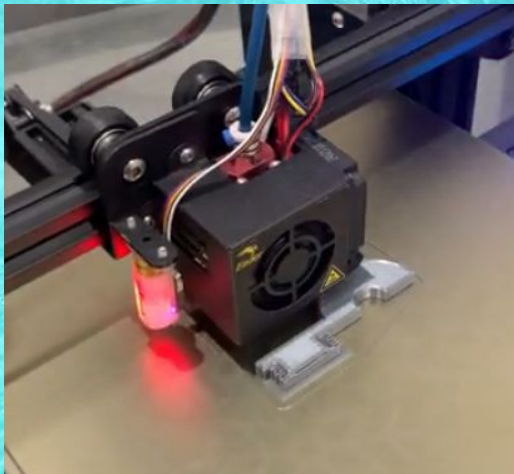
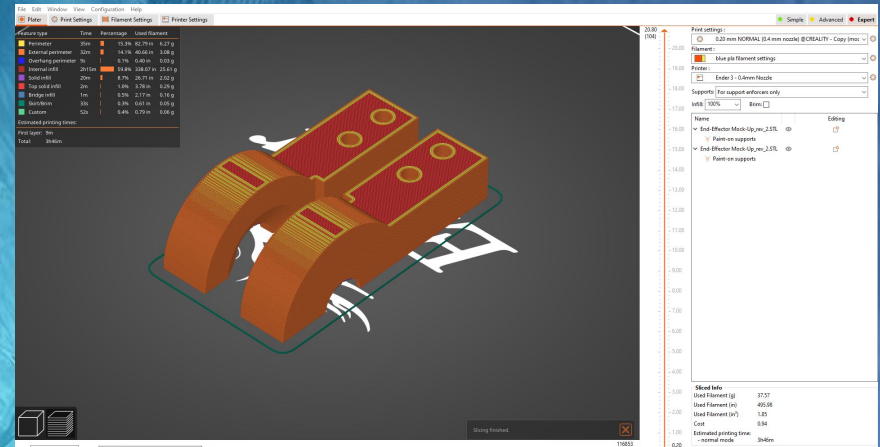
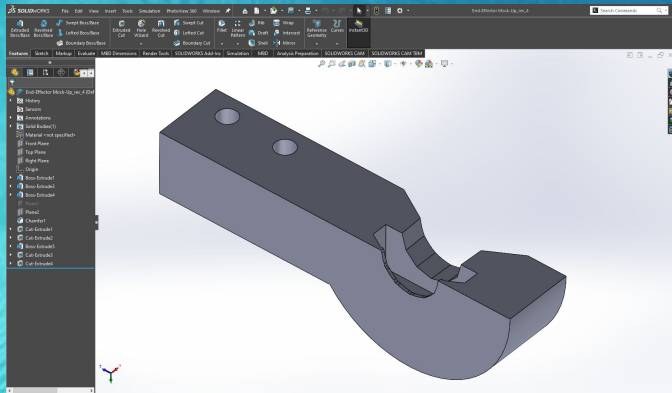
# Programming/Fabrication

- o Software
  - UI system - Polyscope
    - Robot arm speaks to all other systems in process by sending 24V signal (ex. foot pedal to lock collet when placing in bolt)
- o Interactions
  - Tumbler Process
  - Lathe Process
  - Threading Process
  - Diameter Inspection





# ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING FOR PROTOTYPING





# RESULTS

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| Important Notes             | Units       |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Worker yearly Salary (\$)   | \$80,000.00 |
| Worker yearly working weeks | 48          |
| Worker Weekly Cost (\$)     | \$1,666.67  |
|                             |             |
| Estimated System Cost (\$)  | \$74,406.93 |
| Amount of Day Saving's      | 38.00%      |

# Future bolts and options



**Bolts and Screws**



**Orthopedic Implants & Components**



**Rods, Pins, and Studs**

## Grinding Process?

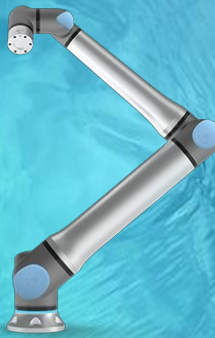




# Impact Statements

- Economic Analysis

- Long-term cost savings to the company
- Higher efficiency



- Environmental Analysis

- Increased energy usage
- Decreased errors -> less waste

- Social Impact Analysis

- Improve Operator Skill
- Worker Safety
- Unemployment low skill work



- Ethical Analysis

- Upholding ethical standards
- health & happiness prioritized

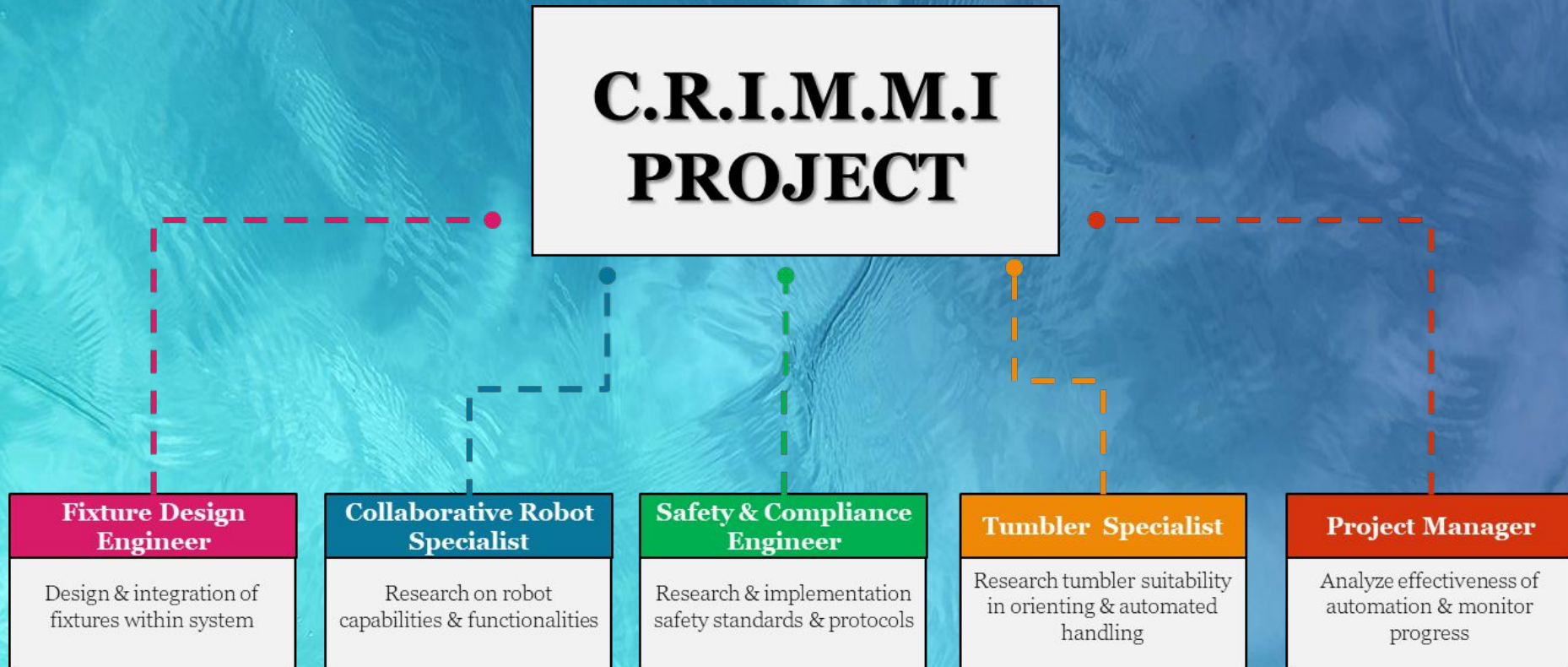
# Project Management

## Timeline

| TASK NAME                                      | DURATION<br>(WEEKS) | STATUS | FALL |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     | WINTER |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     | SPRING |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
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| Milestone 1 - Project Proposal                 |                     |        |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
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| 1.2 Project Proposal - Draft                   | 6                   | C      |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
| 1.3 Project Proposal Presentation              | 2                   | C      |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
| 1.4 Project Proposal Submission to B&G         | 3                   | C      |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
| Milestone 2 - Bill of Materials                |                     |        |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
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| 3.2 Submit Proof of Ordering Test Parts to B&G | 4                   | C      |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
| Milestone 4 - Prototyping                      |                     |        |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
| 4.1 Abstract - Draft                           | 3                   | C      |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
| 4.2 Video Pitch Presentation                   | 3                   | C      |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
| 4.3 Automated Cell - Design & 3D Modeling      | 5                   | C      |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
| 4.4 End Effector - Design & Assembly           | 5                   | C      |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
| 4.5 Feeder Bowl - Design & Assembly            | 5                   | C      |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
| Milestone 5 - Final Proposal/Report            |                     |        |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
| 5.1 Poster Session Presentation                | 3                   | C      |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
| 5.2 Prototype Interim Report                   | 2                   | C      |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
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| 5.4 Prototype Revisions + Testing              | 4                   | C      |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
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| 5.6 Final Presentation                         | 2                   | I-P    |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |  |  |
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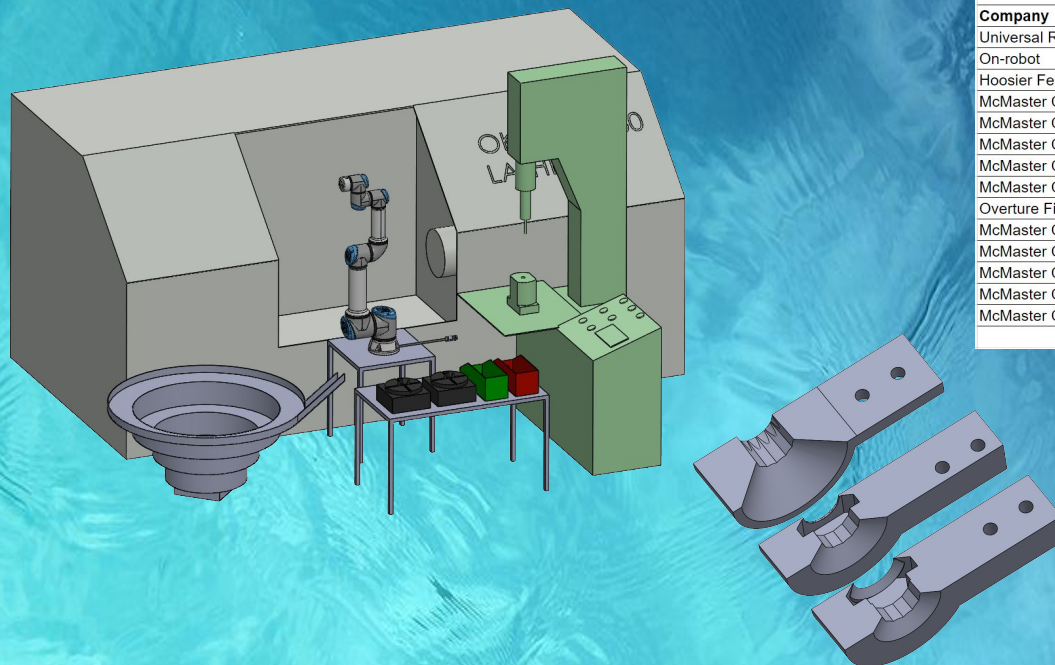


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PROPOSAL

AUTOMATING BOLT MANUFACTURING





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