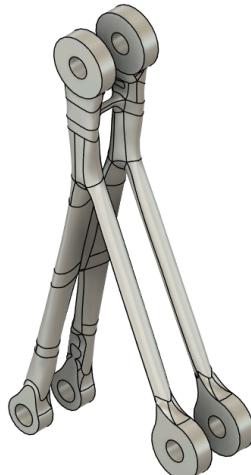
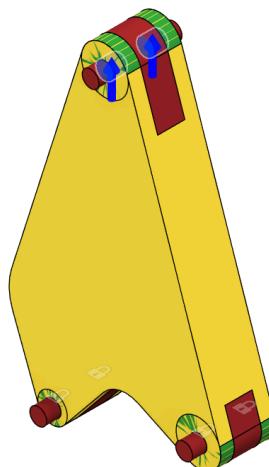
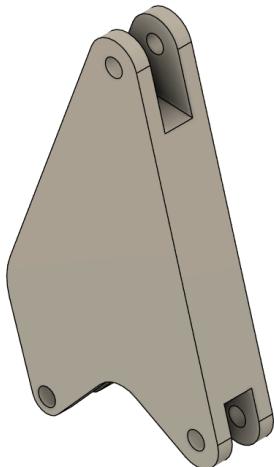


## OPTIMIZATION OF AERO-BRACKET FOR LASER POWDER BED FUSION



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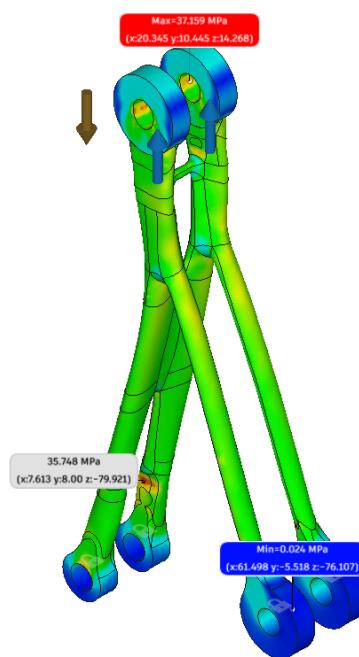
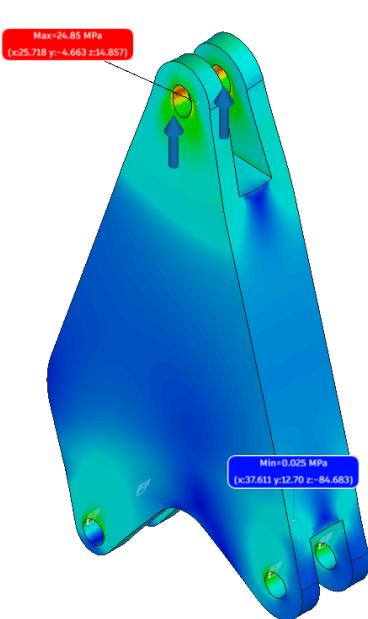
- Optimized an aerospace bracket for **LP-PBF** manufacturing
- Aimed to minimize mass while ensuring safety under a **1600 N** tensile load

### How?

- Used Fusion 360 **Generative Design** to create an optimized AlSi10Mg structure
- Validated FEA results using hand calculations and physical tensile testing

### Results

- Achieved **86%** mass reduction (223g to 31g) with a **Safety Factor of 6.5**
- Withstood **9018 N** without failure, confirming a **safety factor greater than 5.6**
- Calculations confirmed peak stress (~**209 MPa**) remained safely below the **460 MPa** limit

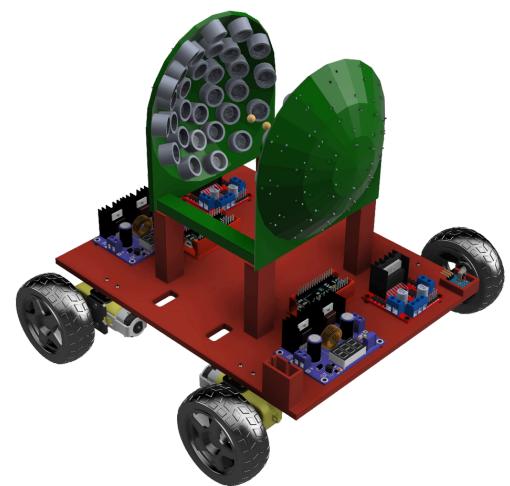
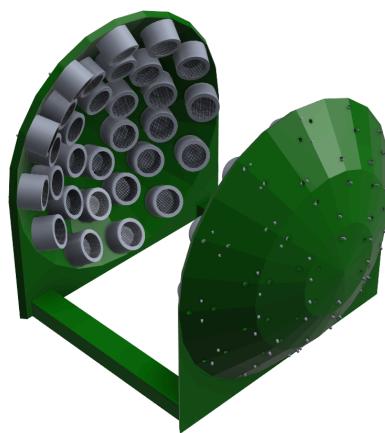
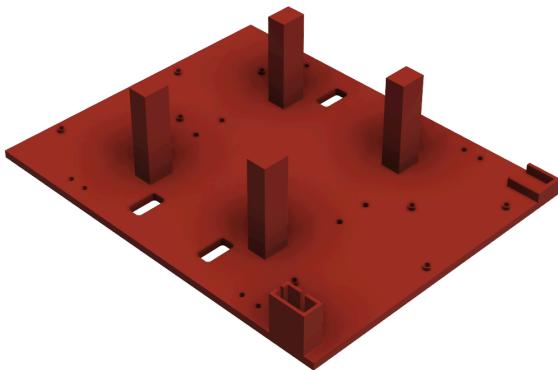


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## TRANSPORTATION VIA ULTRASONIC LEVITATION SYSTEM



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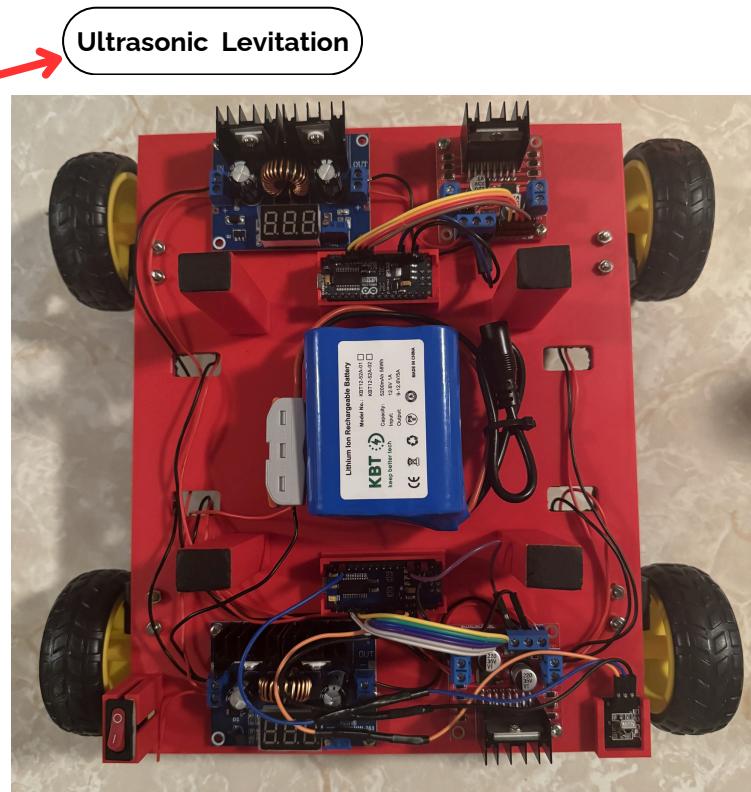
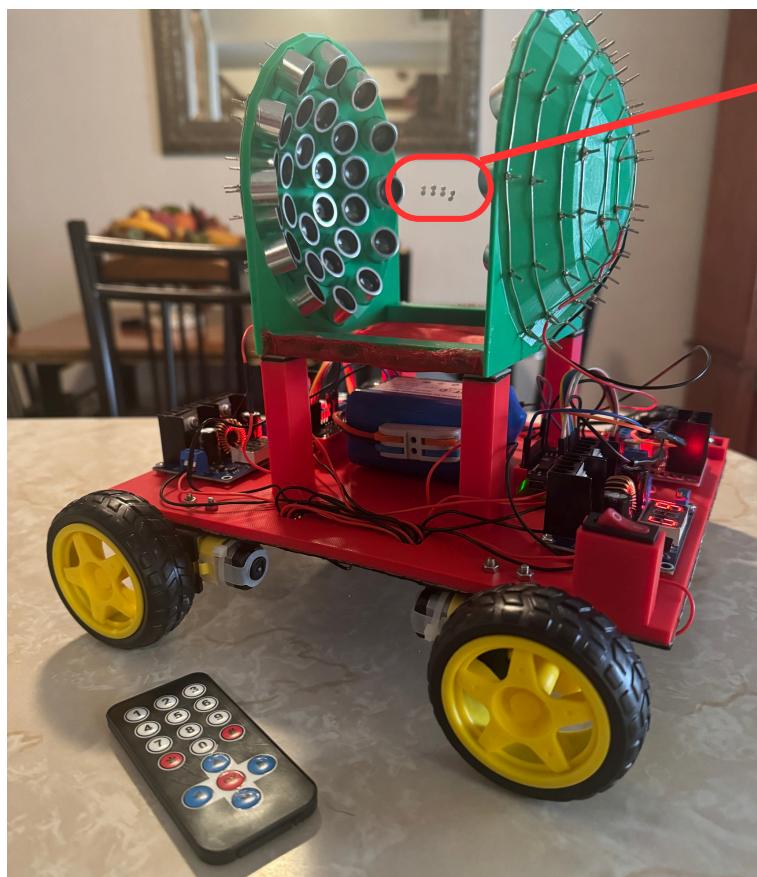
- Created a transport system using **ultrasonic levitation**
- Aimed to move small particles of styrofoam without any physical contact
- Focused on demonstrating non-contact object handling

### How?

- Utilized Arduino Nanos to control the systems
- Integrated transducers, buck converters, H-bridges, IR sensor and motors for levitation and transportation
- Used Fusion 360 to design and **3D-print** a custom base for stability and transportation of the systems

### Results

- Achieved stable levitation of small particles of styrofoam using ultrasonic waves
- Enabled precise remote control for object movement
- Demonstrated effective non-contact transport capabilities

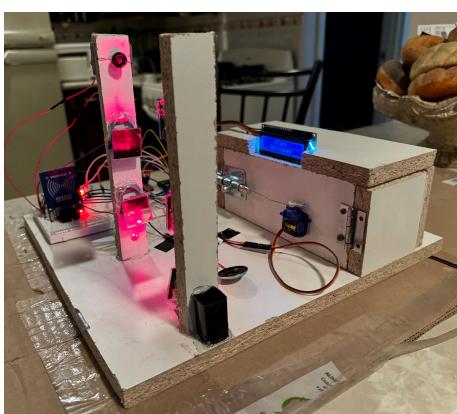
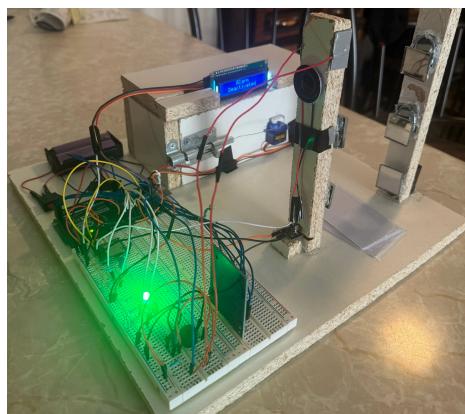
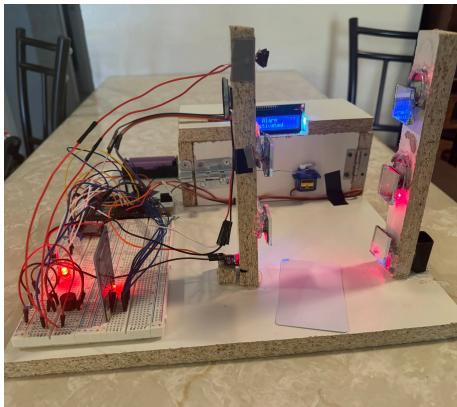
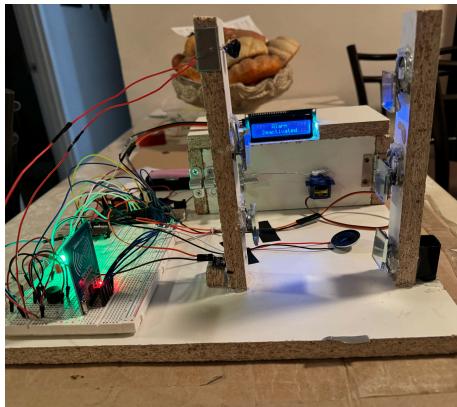


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## LASER SECURITY ALARM SYSTEM



### What?

- Designed a **Laser Security Alarm System** for enhanced vault security.
- Aimed to detect unauthorized access

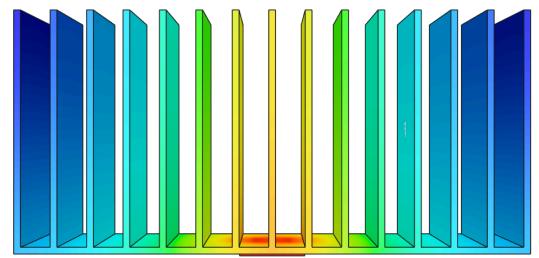
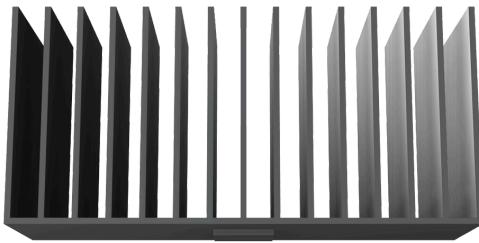
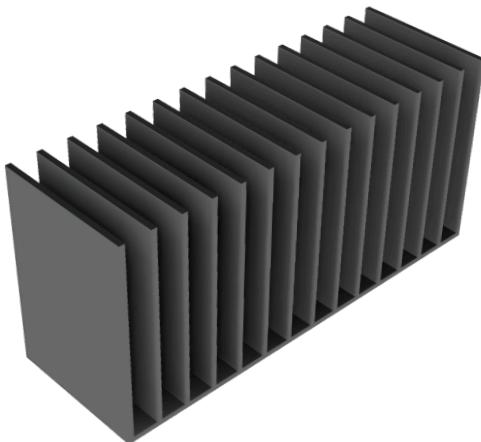
### How?

- Integrated a laser with strategically placed mirrors to form a detection grid.
- Utilized mirrors, alarms, laser, servo, photoresistor, LCD display, and **RFID and I<sub>2</sub>C technology**
- Connected **audiovisual components** to trigger an alarm when the laser beam was interrupted
- Implemented an RFID sensor for key card access for authorized entry

### Results

- Achieved accurate detection of obstacles breaking the laser grid
- Successfully integrated RFID access control for user convenience
- Delivered a reliable, effective security solution for sensitive areas

## HEAT SINK DESIGN



### What?

- Design a heat sink that lowers a simulating CPU surface by **22±1°C**
- Performed a natural convection-cooled thermal simulation

### How?

- Used Fusion 360 to design the heat sink and perform the **thermal simulations**
- Used **heat transfer formulas** to determine characteristics

### Results

- The design fulfilled its purpose by reducing the temperature of the surface from **85°C to 64.3°C**