

4 Speed "Constant Mesh" Manual Transmission. 100% 3D Printed!



MW-Mechanical

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Summary

Fun mechanical project using nothing but your 3D printer!

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UPDATE: The main spacers were missing from the file list and have now been added. The hole in the hand crank has been adjusted to fit the input shaft.

This is my rendition of a "constant mesh" 4 speed manual transmission gearbox. A ball-joint based selector positions the racks which mate the dog clutch disks with the driven gears, transferring their energy into the output shaft. Progresses through gear ratios of 2.5:1, 2:1.5, 1.5:2, and 1:2.5. Post your makes and comments!! **Slicing orientations in photos.**

Slicing notes-

Use support material for the crank and selector. "Qty" relates to the number of instances for a given part. I don't recommend scaling this model due to its precise tolerances.

Assembly video through the following link-

Lego L motor attachment-

Output fan attachment-

Model files



housing.stl



main-spacer-qty2.stl



crank.stl

☐ use this hand crank if excluding L motor



selector.stl

☐ print-in-place! slice this file with the ball already seated in the socket



selector-shaft.stl



selector-snap-ring.stl

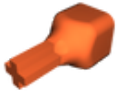


l-motor-housing.stl



l-motor-housing-clip.stl

☐ use this clip to install L motor housing



l-motor-adapter.stl



fan.stl

☐ output mechanism for displaying gear ratios



fan-spacer.stl



fan-output-shaft.stl

☐ use this shaft to include the output fan.



stand-alone-output-shaft.stl

☐ use this shaft to exclude any output mechanism



l-motor-input-shaft.stl

☐ use this shaft to include Lego L motor



hand-crank-input-shaft.stl

☐ use this shaft to include the crank



main-snap-ring-qty2.stl



guide.stl



rack-1.stl



rack-2.stl



clutch-qty4.stl

☐ 4 identical clutch disks

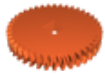


i-20.stl

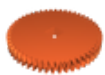
☐ 20 tooth input gear



i-30.stl



i-40.stl



i-50.stl

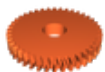


o-20.stl

☐ 20 tooth output gear



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