

Division of Engineering Programs

EGG 408_01 Senior Design Project I - Fall 2018

Mueller Phipps International - End of Arm Tooling (EOAT)

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Co-Advisor: Professor Otis

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Project Description

- Design an attachment a robotic arm to pick up wax moldings.
- The tool should pick up a multitude of different shaped objects.
- It must fit the multi-tool hook up of the robot that MPI uses.

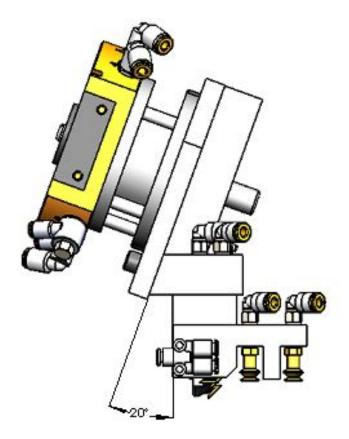


Figure 1: End of Arm Tooling Example

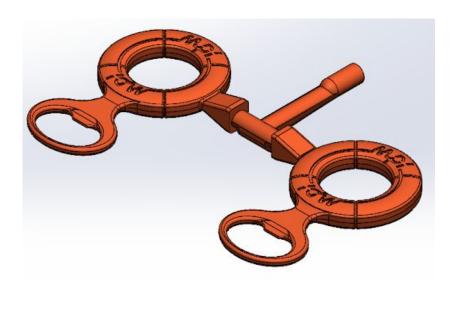
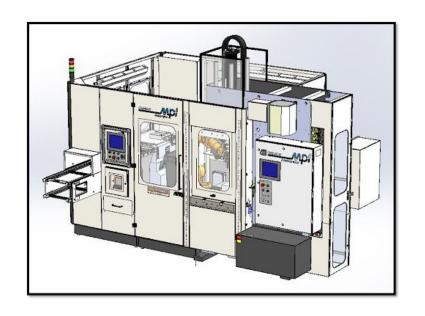


Figure 2: Example Wax Part



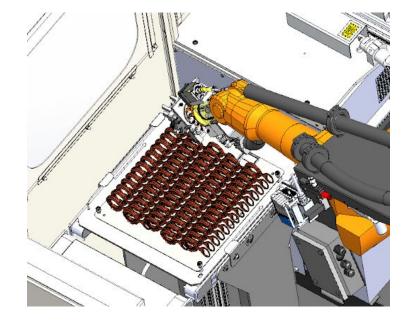


Figure 3: Automated Cell

Figure 4: Robotic Arm Transferring Sample to Tray

Project Need

- MPI currently uses a different attachment for each part.
- Attachments cost up to \$15,000 per unit.
- A multipurpose gripper would greatly reduce this cost factor.

Known Specifications & Constraints

- Range of geometry / size of objects
 (40mm to 200mm wide)
- EOAT cannot damage object
- Objects are made from wax (soft)
- Temperature of wax varies



Figure 5: Minimum and Maximum Sized Objects

Preliminary Plan

- Fall 2018 Demonstration of feasibility
 - Proof of proper sensor functionality
 - Successfully pick up a simple wax object without deformation
 - To be completed by Senior Design Expo December 2019
- Spring 2019 Working prototype
 - Complex range of motion to pick up complex objects
 - On-site demo
 - Presentation paper about findings
 - To be completed by Senior Design Expo May 2019

Roles & Responsibilities

| Team Member | Role / Responsibility |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| | CAD / Materials Testing / Sensors |
| George Dagis | Programming / Sensors |
| | Project Management / Documentation / Kinematic Analysis |
| | Materials Testing / CAD / Programming |
| | Kinematics Analysis / Documentation |

*Main Responsibility / Auxiliary Responsibility

Communications Plan

- Team Meetings
 - Mondays class time, Tuesdays 3:15 6:30
- Advisor Meetings
 - o Dr. Wang Thursdays 11:30 12:00
 - Professor Otis Thursdays 12:30 1:00
- MPI Meetings
 - Thursdays 11:30 12:00 (conference call with Dr. Wang & Aaron Phipps)
 - Company visits as necessary (testing)

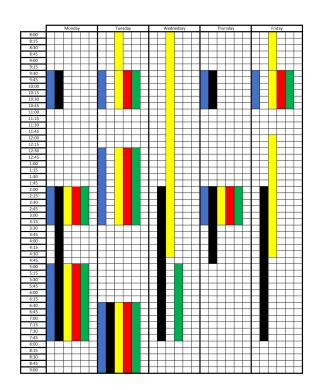


Figure 6: Schedule of Team Members

Summary

- Building a multipurpose gripper for MPI.
- Help them save time and money.
- Hope to learn a lot

Thank you very much for your attention!

Are there any questions?