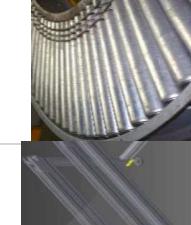
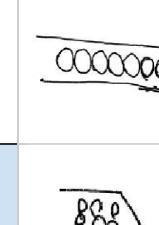
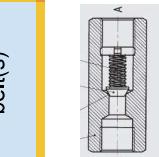
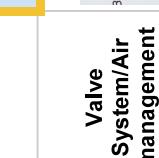
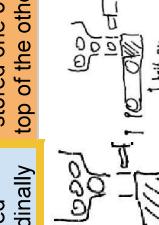
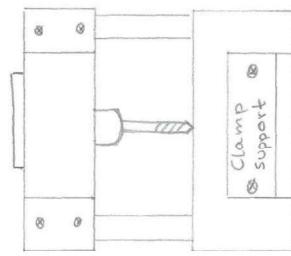
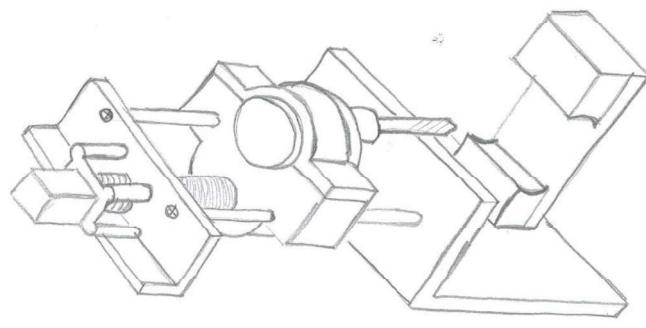


## APPENDIX A: Morphological Chart

| FUNCTION        | CONCEPT   | FUNCTION                                 | CONCEPT   | FUNCTION                     | CONCEPT   |
|-----------------|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|
| Linear Actuator |    | Clamping                                 |  LEHS, Electric Gripper                        | Description                  |  3 jaw gripper electric                          |
| Description     | Pneumatic   | Hydraulic                                |  Pneumatic Schunk PZH-SF                       | Spindle with chuck           |  Magnetic gripper                                |
| Support         |    | Angular Position                         |  Stepped DC servomotor                         | Longitudinal simple supports |  Ball spline rotary actuator                     |
| Description     | Concave   | Bearings                                 |  Conveyor belts                                | Description                  |  Ball spline actuator (tube/drill)             |
| Chip Removal    |    | Air Blow Gun, 6 bar                      |  Pneumatic Cold Air Gun                      | Linear carriage (drill)      |  Linear Motion Roller(tube)                    |
| Buffer Storage  |  | Tubes vertically stored                  |  Funnel + actuator to align tube before exit | Ejection                     |  Transverse ejection through turning lever arm |
| Description     | Separated sections  | Tubes horizontally stored longitudinally |  Conveyor belt(s)                            | Description                  |  Valve System/Air management                  |
| Intake          |  |  |  Linear actuator                             |                              |    |

## DRILL CONFIGURATION N 1

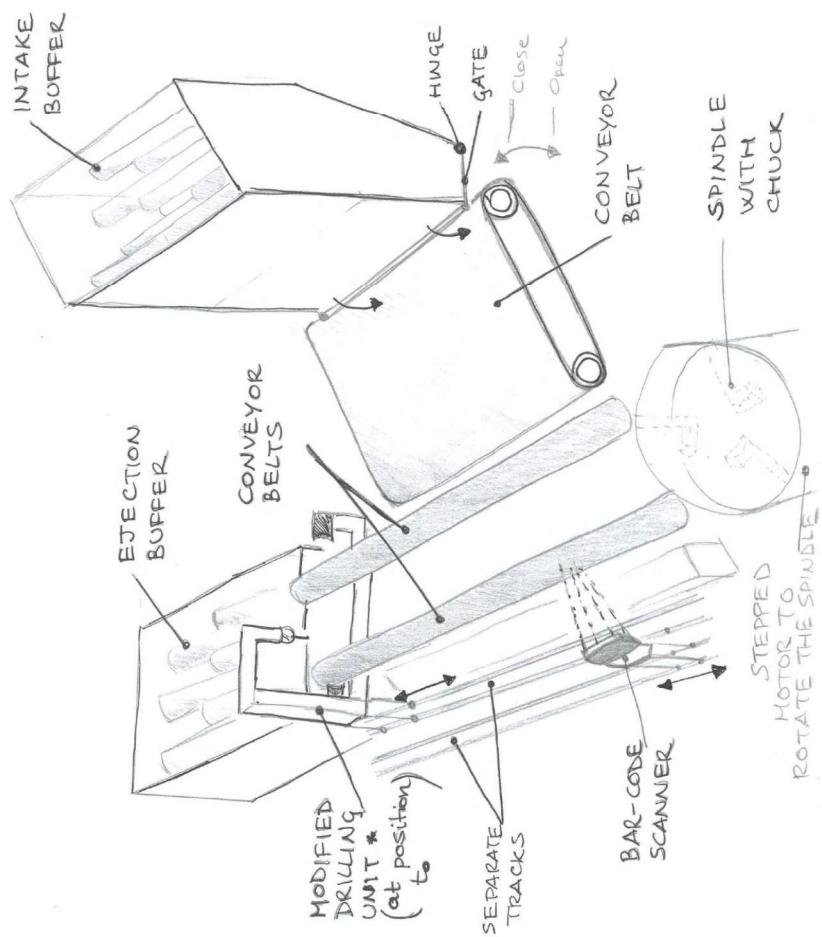
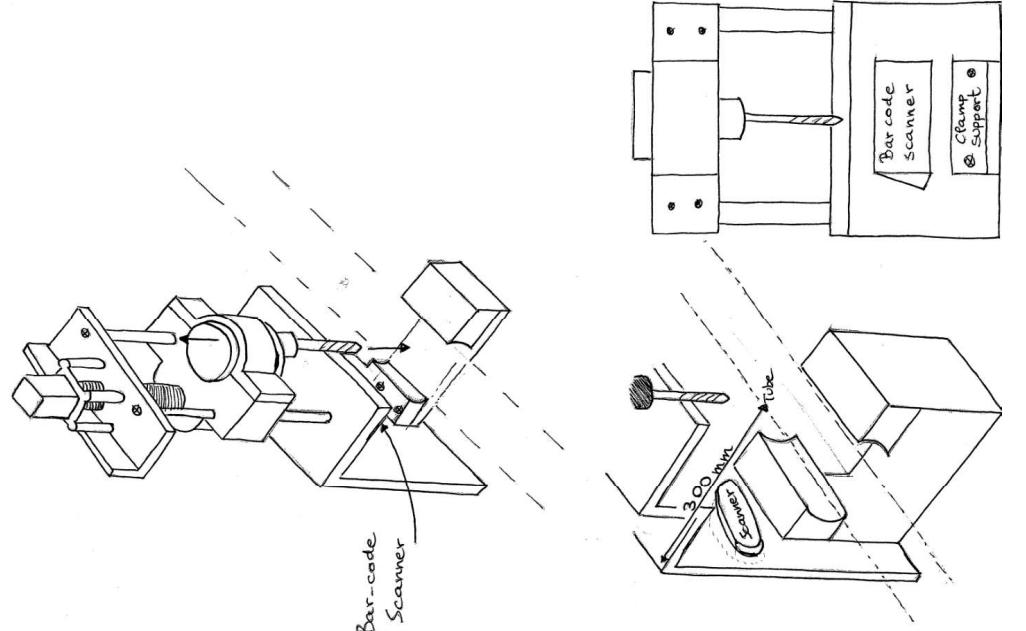
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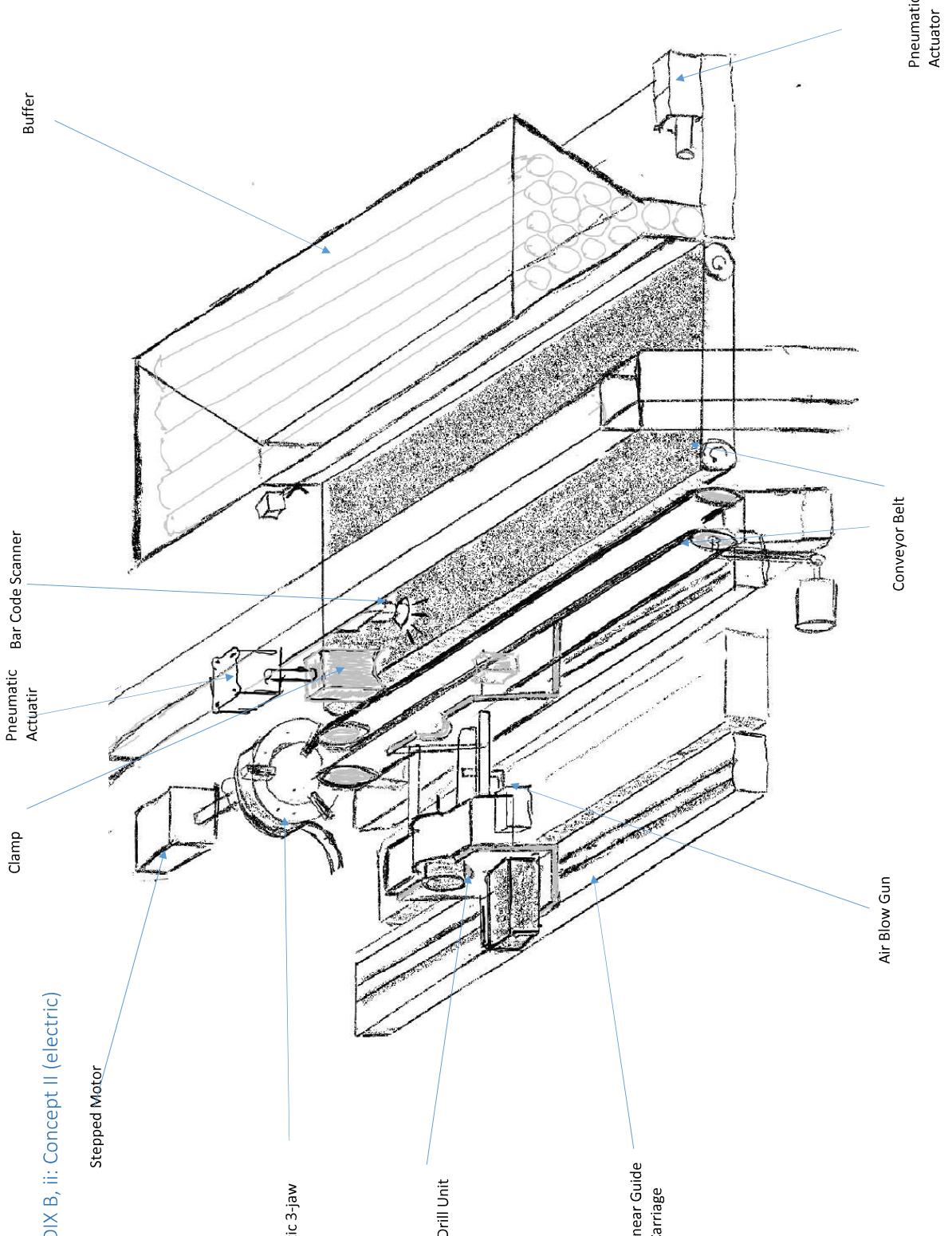
## APPENDIX B, i: Concept I

## DRILL CONFIGURATION N 2

Additional clamp support and bar code scanner  
separate tracks to move bar code are not required)



**APPENDIX B, ii: Concept II (electric)**

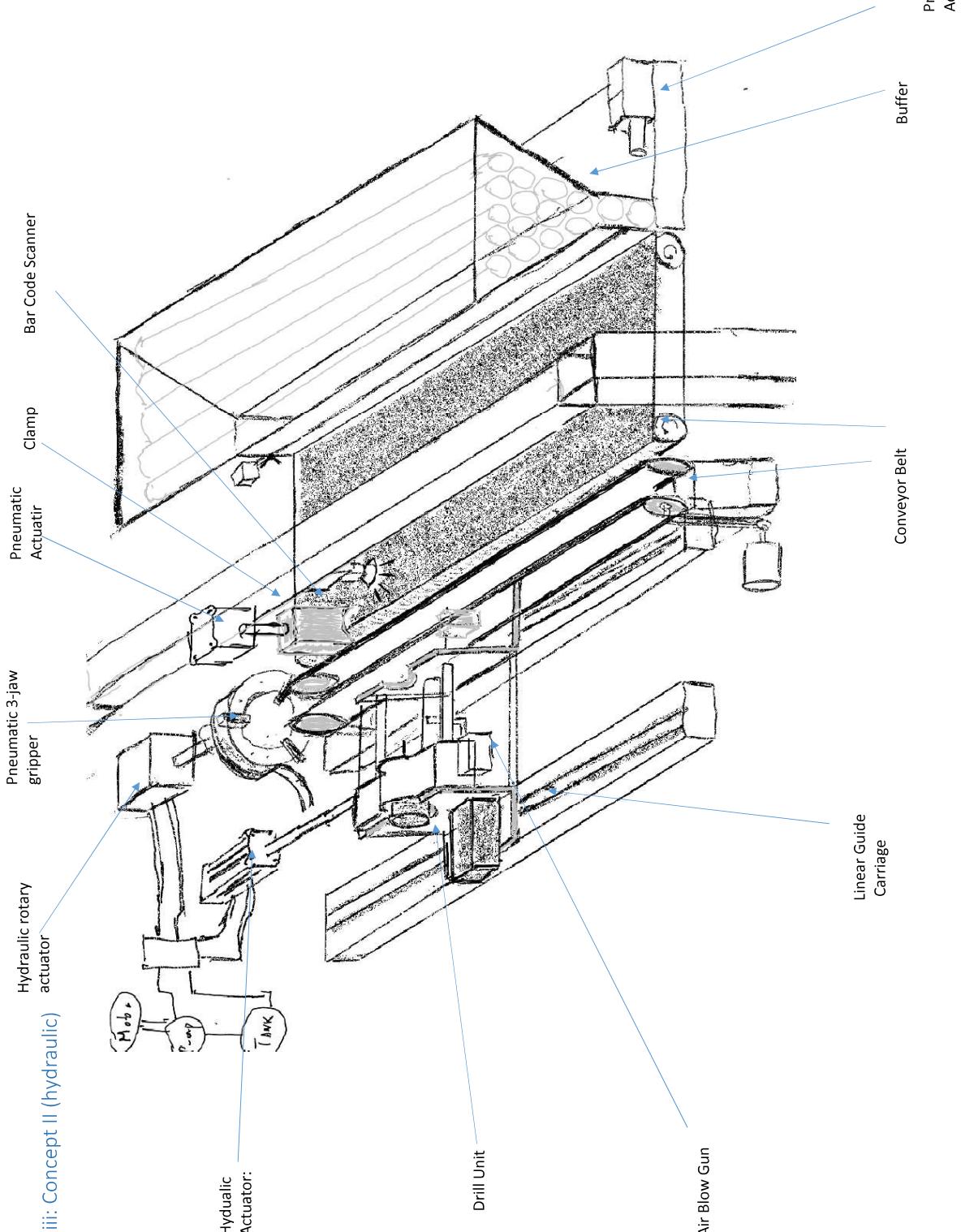


In this concept, the tube exits the **buffer** through the funnel shaped end. A servo motor turns the hinge connected to the gate opening a passage and the **pneumatic actuator** pushes the tube to the first conveyor belt. Here, the tube is transported to the edge where it falls into the second **stranded conveyor belt** which acts as a support. The conveyor slides the tube into the pneumatic **3 jaw gripper** which clamps the object firmly. At this stage, the tube is rotated through the **stepped motor** at fixed angular changes. At each angular rotation, the **bar code scanner** moves along the vertical top frame scanning for the code. The process is repeated until the code is found. Next, the **drilling unit** is actuated in synchrony with the **clamp** on the vertical frame through a **linear guide carriage**. The clamp is moved down using a pneumatic actuator and holes are drilled at different positions along the length of the tube.

Finally, the tube is ejected at the end in the end into a secondary buffer.

Pneumatic  
Actuator

## APPENDIX B, iii: Concept II (hydraulic)



In this concept, the tube exits the **buffer** through the funnel shaped end. A servo motor turns the hinge connected to the gate opening a passage and the **pneumatic actuator** pushes the tube to the first conveyor belt. Here, the tube is transported to the edge where it falls into the second **stranded conveyor belt** which acts as a support. The conveyor slides the tube into the pneumatic **3 jaw gripper** which clamps the object firmly. At this stage, the tube is rotated through the **angular actuator** at fixed angular changes. At each angular rotation, the **bar code scanner** moves along the vertical top frame scanning for the code. The process is repeated until the code is found. Next, the **drilling unit** is actuated in synchrony with the **clamp** on the vertical frame through **hydraulic linear actuator**. The clamp is moved down using a pneumatic actuator and holes are drilled at different positions along the length of the tube.

Finally, the tube is ejected at the end in the end into a secondary buffer.

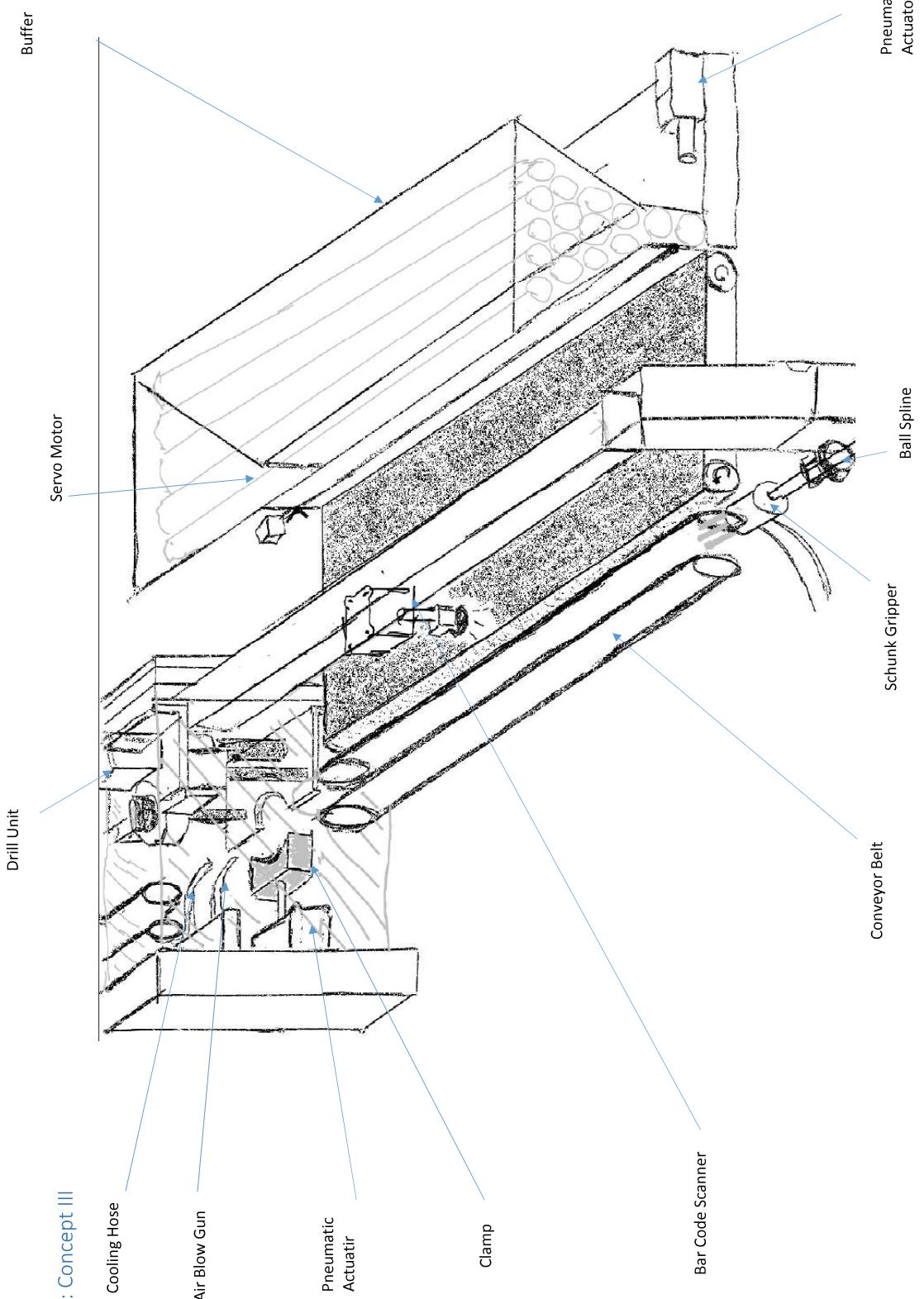
Pneumatic  
Actuator

Buffer

Conveyor Belt

Linear Guide  
Carriage

## APPENDIX B, iv: Concept III



In this concept, the tube exits the **buffer** through the funnel shaped end. A servo motor turns the hinge connected to the gate opening a passage and the **pneumatic actuator** pushes the tube to the first conveyor belt. Here, the tube is transported to the edge where it falls into the second **stranded conveyor belt** which acts as a support. The conveyor slides the tube into the pneumatic **Schunk Gripper** which clamps the object firmly. At this stage, the tube is rotated at fixed angular changes and moved axially through the **ball spine**. As the tube is moved through the ball spine the **bar code scanner** is fixed in one position on the top vertical frame. The process is repeated until the code is found. Next, the tube is moved also using the ball spine into the **drilling unit** area and fixed using the **clamps** on the vertical frame through a **pneumatic actuator**. The process is repeated to drill holes at different positions along the length of the tube.

Finally, the tube is ejected at the end into a secondary buffer.

Pneumatic  
Actuator

Ball Spine

Schunk Gripper

Conveyor Belt

Drill Unit

Servo Motor

Buffer

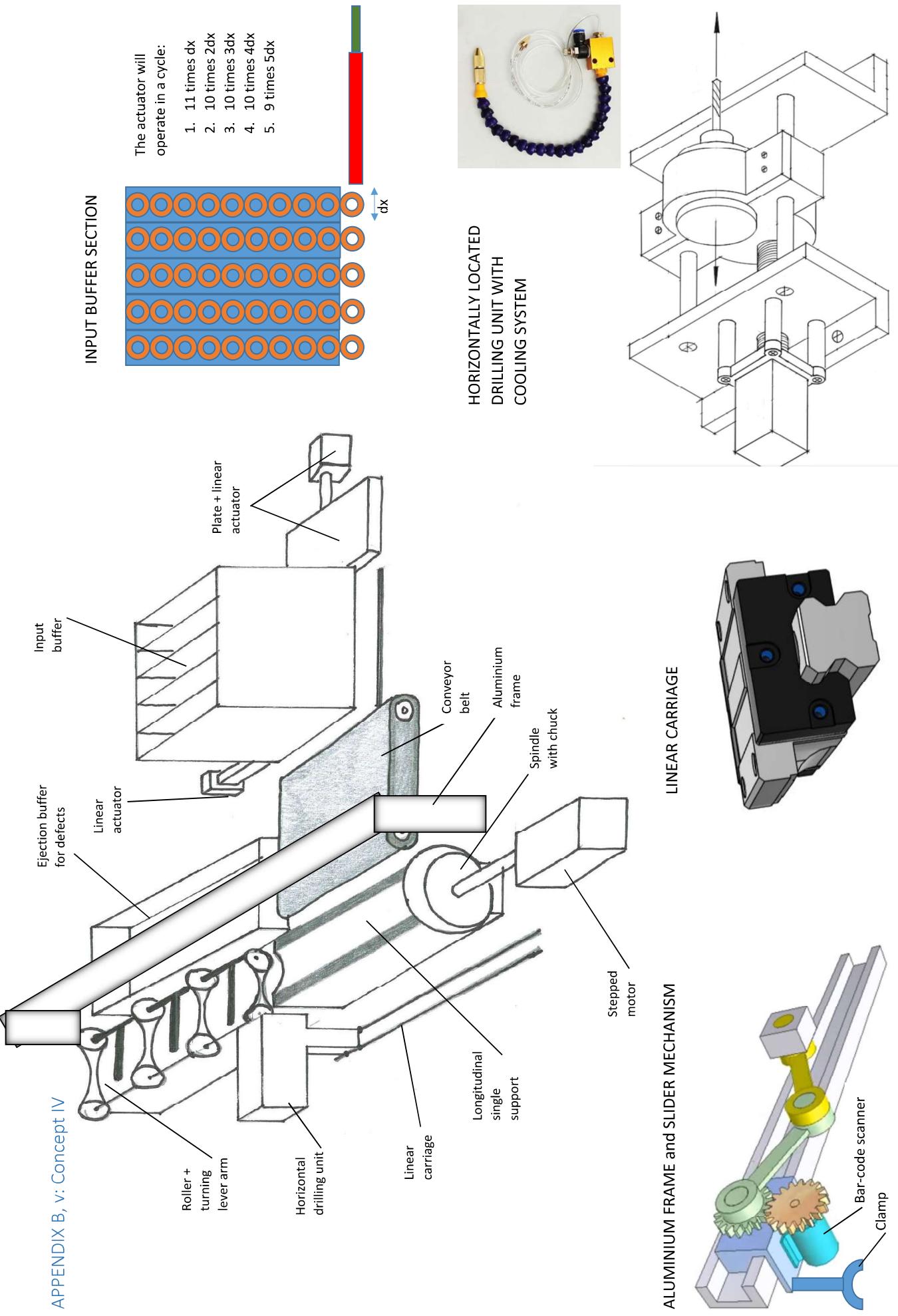
Cooling Hose

Air Blow Gun

Pneumatic  
Actuator

Clamp

Bar Code Scanner



*APPENDIX B, vi: Concept V*

Drill Unit

Linear Carriage

Stepper motor

Pneumatic Gripper

Clamp with pneumatic actuator

Cooling Hose and Air Gun

Clamp with pneumatic actuator

Faulty tubes Buffer

Intake Buffer

Electric Actuator

Servo Motor for lever arm and AC motor for conveyor

Ejection lever arm

