

## Macro Yarn Machine Building Instructions

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Hey!

How exciting you want to build the Macro Yarn Machine. I have built this machine as part of my Master's project in 2024, and I would have never been able to build it without relying on published Open-Source Hardware projects and the community.

Therefor I want to credit:

1.) Circular Knitic by Varvara Guljajeva and Canet Sola, 2014.  
[https://github.com/var-mar/circular\\_knitic](https://github.com/var-mar/circular_knitic)

2.) HILO Spinning Machine. As I have been working with Sara Diaz Rodriguez closely for the past 2 years and learned about Open Textile Hardware from her.  
<https://www.hilotextiles.com/>

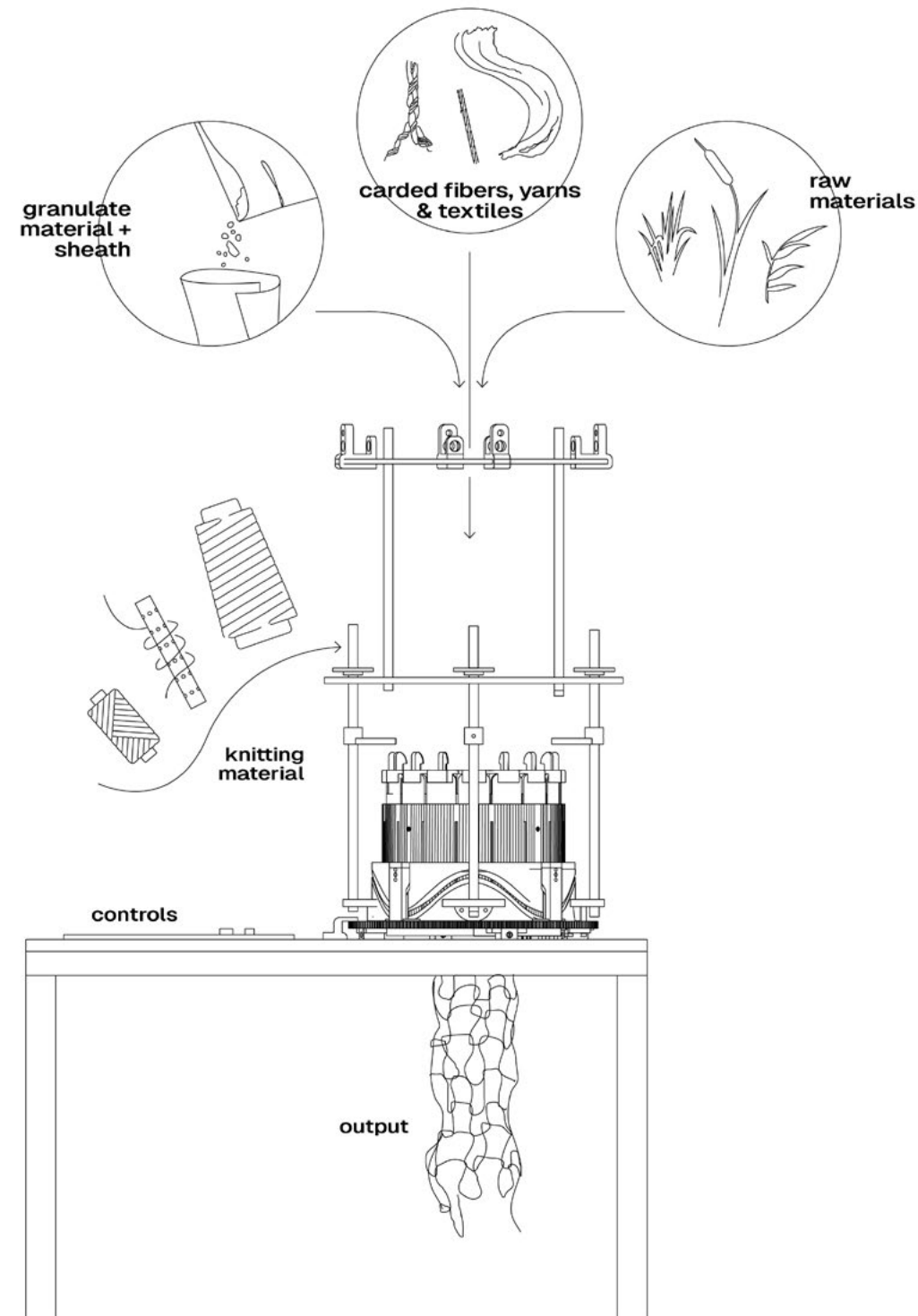
If you want to credit my machine, please use:

„Macro Yarn Machine“ by Jasmin Martinez, 2024  
further information:

Master Thesis: Martinez, Jasmin. Hacking Textile Tools. 2024.  
Kunsthochschule Weißensee (Weissensee Art Academy).  
Mentored by Prof. Christiane Sauer and Prof. Dr. Lucy Norris.

Note: I reverse-documented building the machine, which should explain why the parts are full of soil and grease.  
Please excuse this and let me know if it makes anything unclear to you.

Now – let's start building!







# Hardware (Machine Body)



8x Threaded Rods M8  
12x Wing Nuts M8  
20x Flange Nuts M8

4-16 Brother KH230 Needles  
4x Book Screws  
16 Ceramic Eyelets 5mm  
8x Deep Groove Ball Bearings 4x9x4mm

12x M3x6  
12x M3x12  
8x M3x8  
4x Thrust Ball Bearings F8-16M 8x16x5

3x M4x12  
4x M4x20  
4x M4 Nut

Bottom Gear

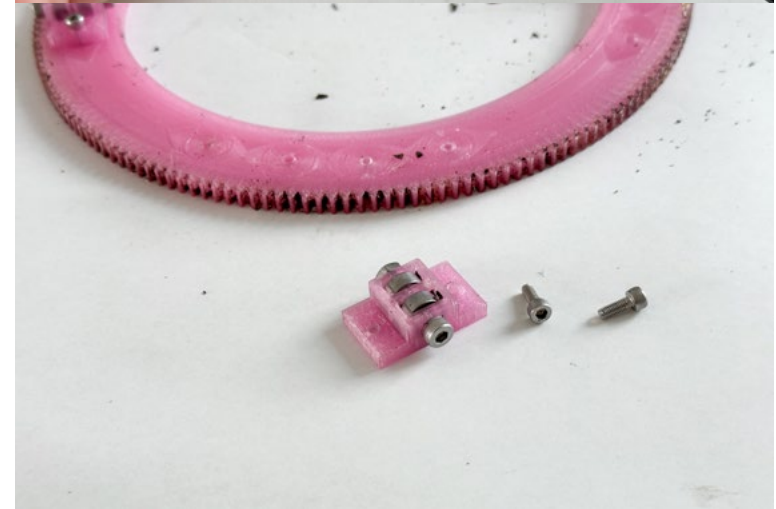
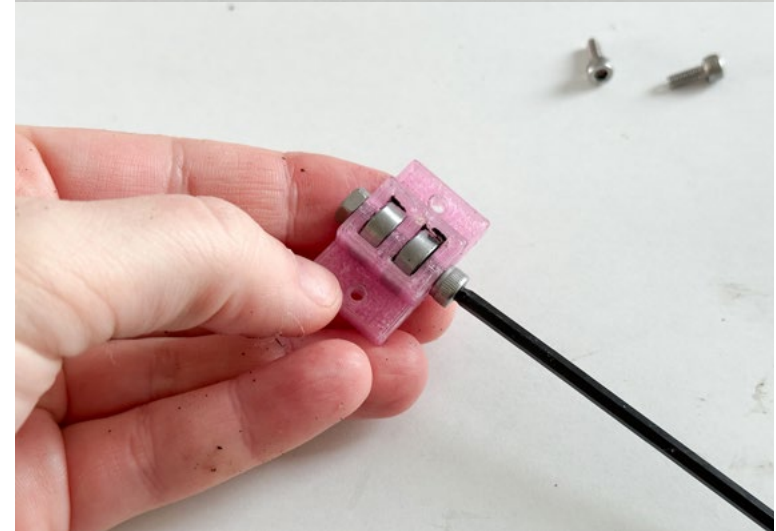
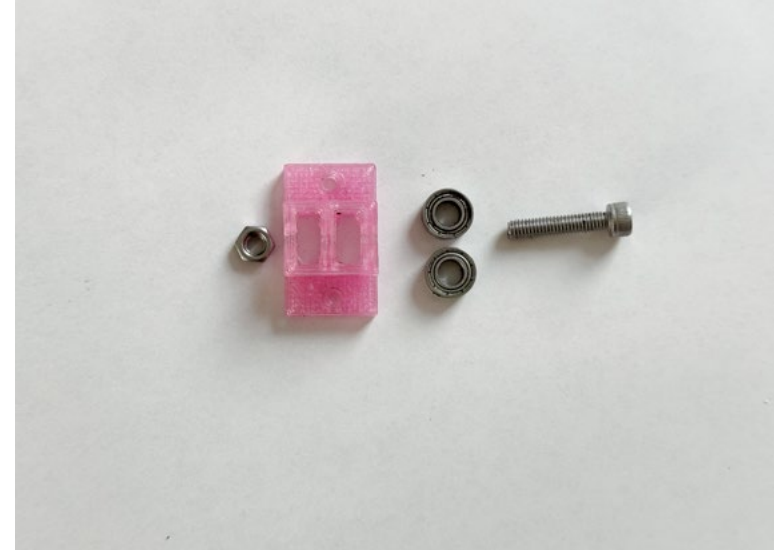




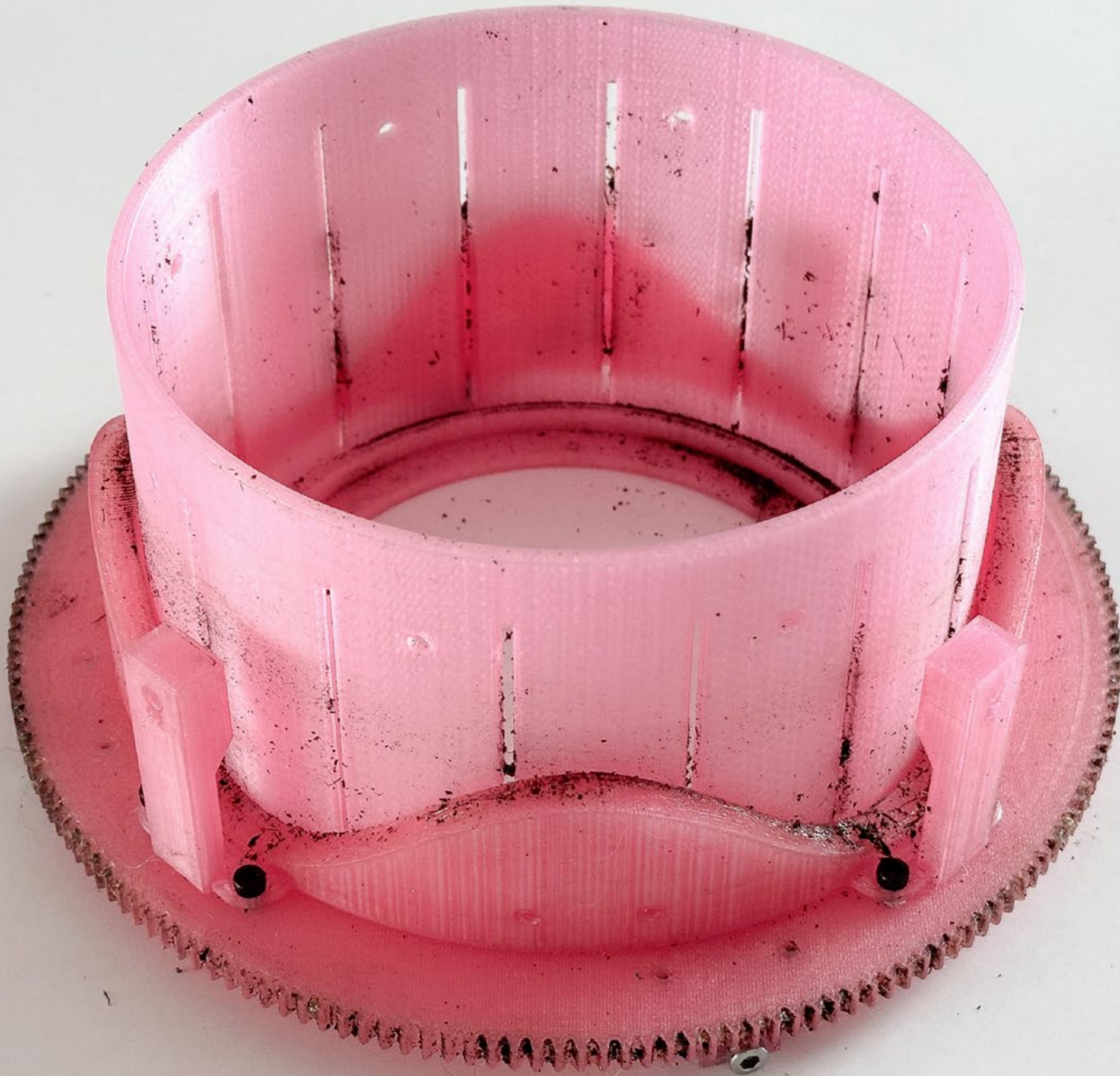


**3D Printed Parts:**  
 Bottom Gear  
 4x Bearings

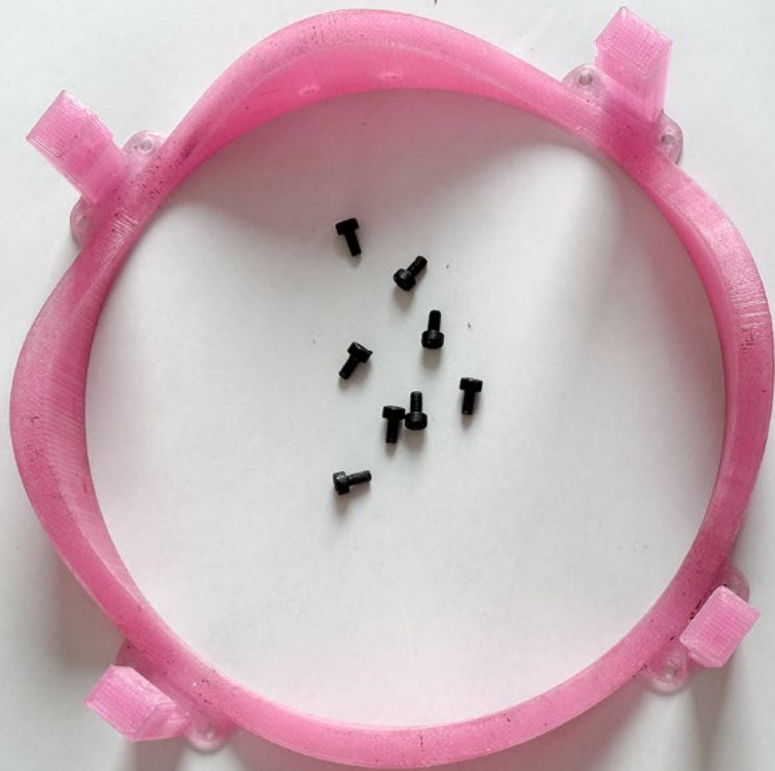
**Hardware:**  
 4x M4 Screw  
 8x Deep Groove Ball Bearings  
 4x M4 Nut



Bottom Gear  
Cylinder Bottom

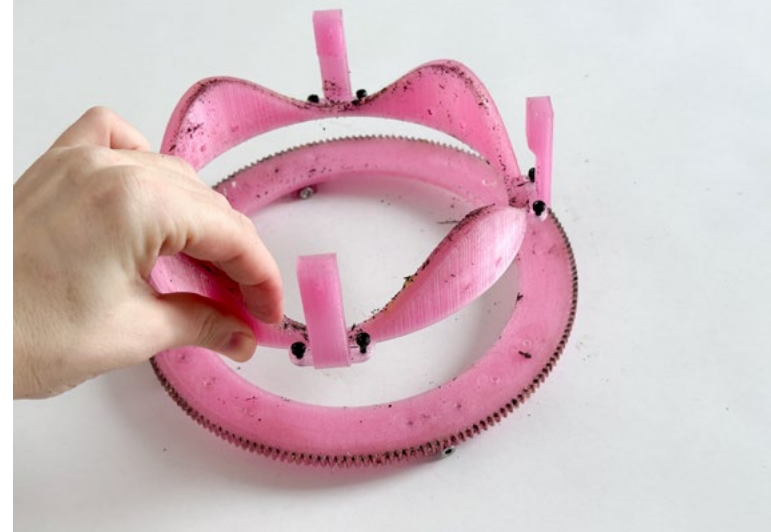






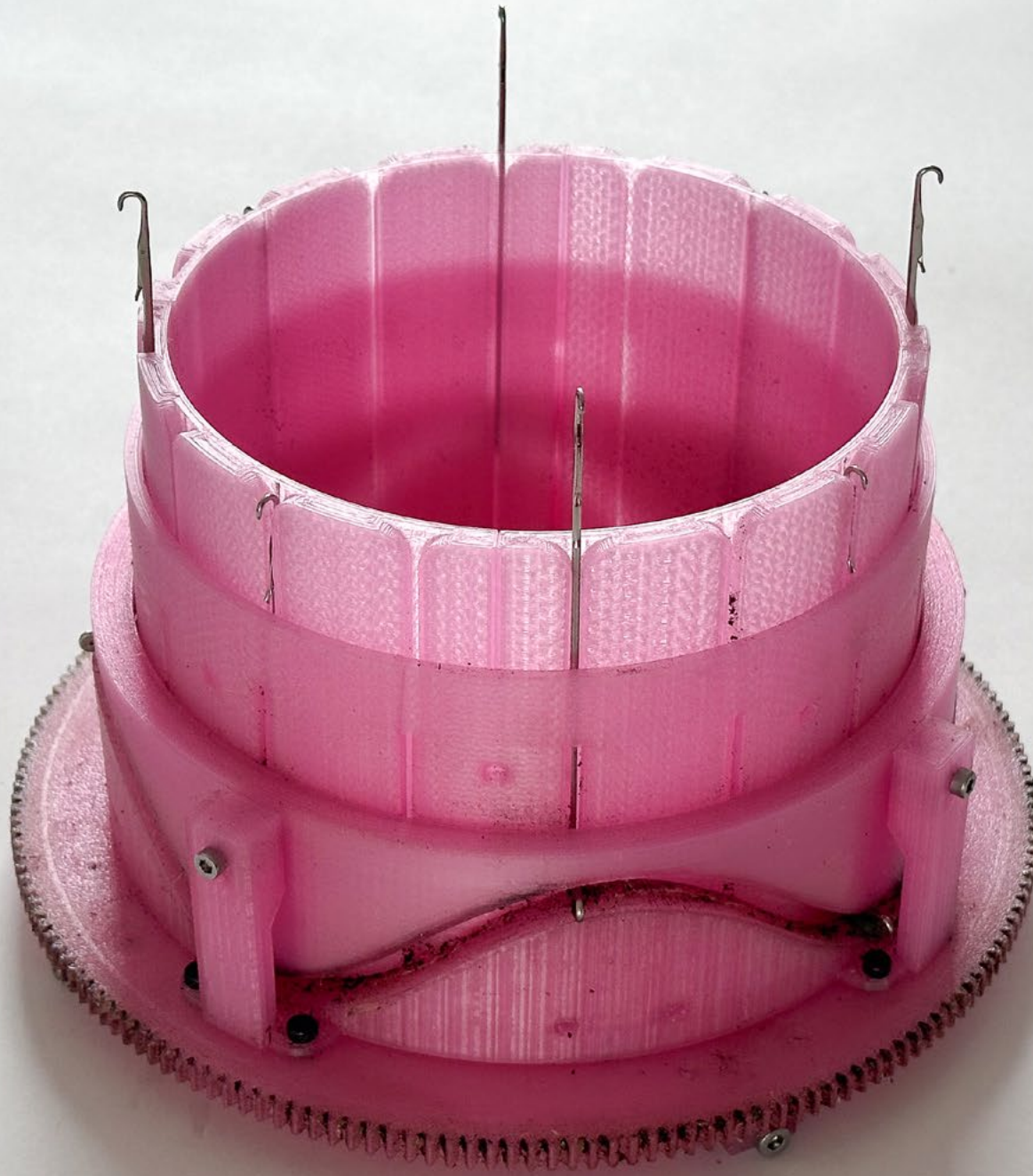
3D Printed Parts:  
Needle Guide Bottom  
Outer Cylinder

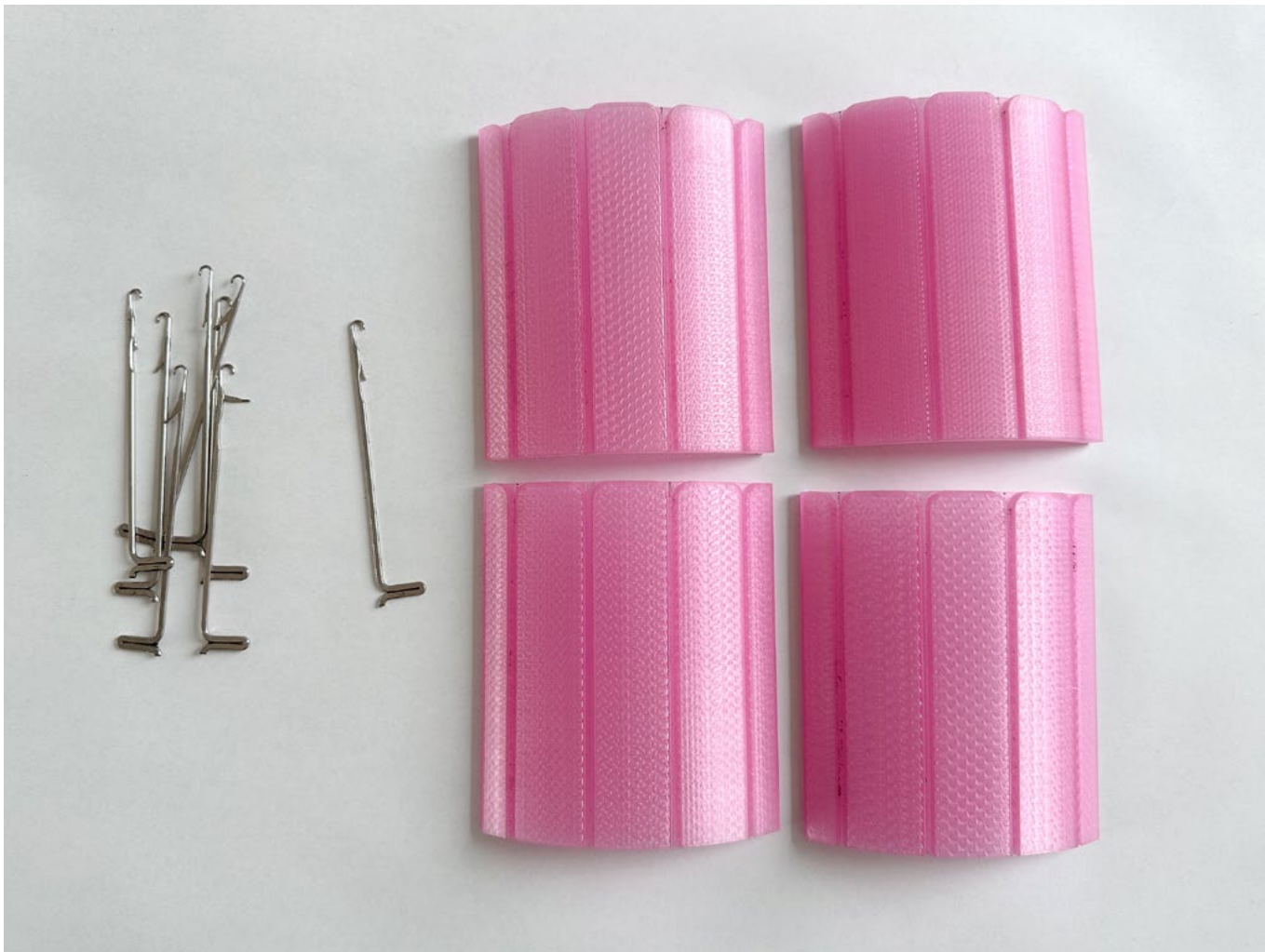
Hardware:  
8x M3x6 Screws





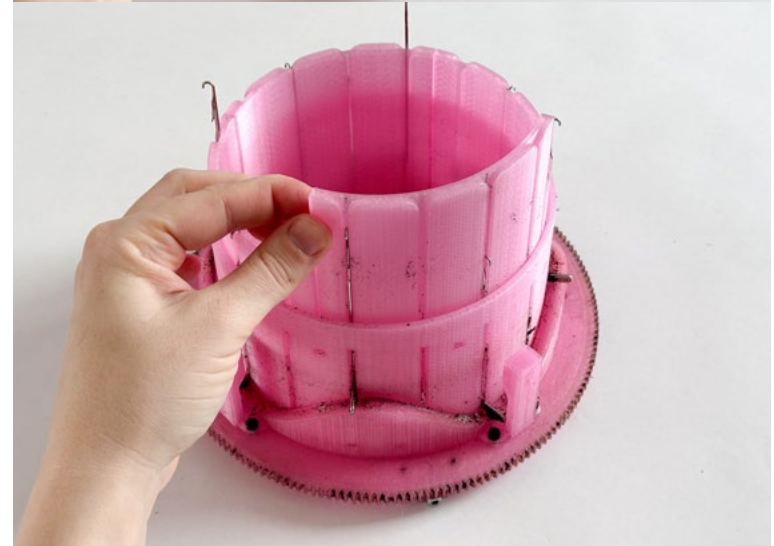
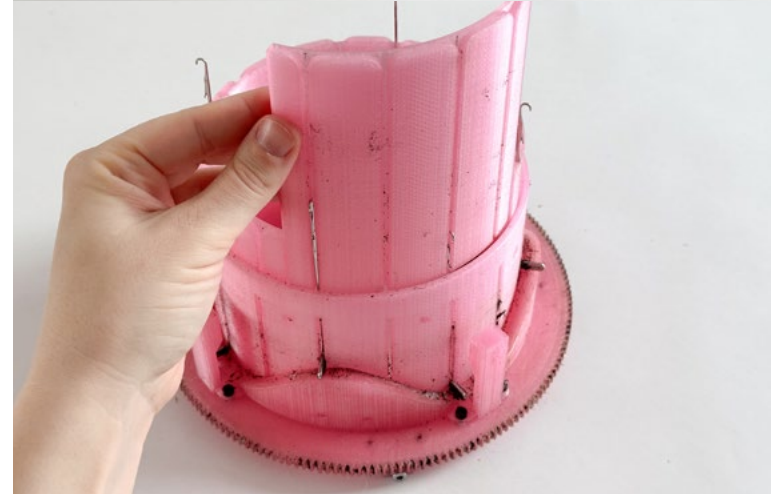
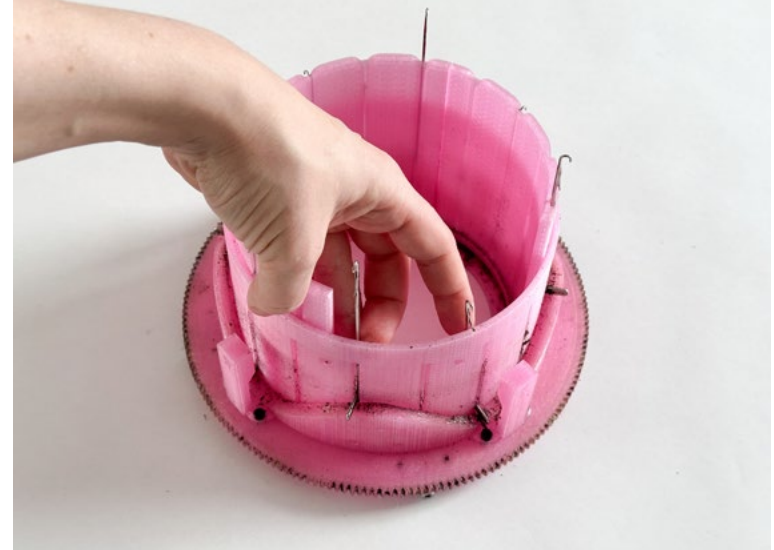
Bottom Gear  
Cylinder Bottom  
Cylinder Top





**3D Printed Parts:**  
**4x Inner Cylinder**

**Hardware:**  
**4-16x Brother Needles KH360**

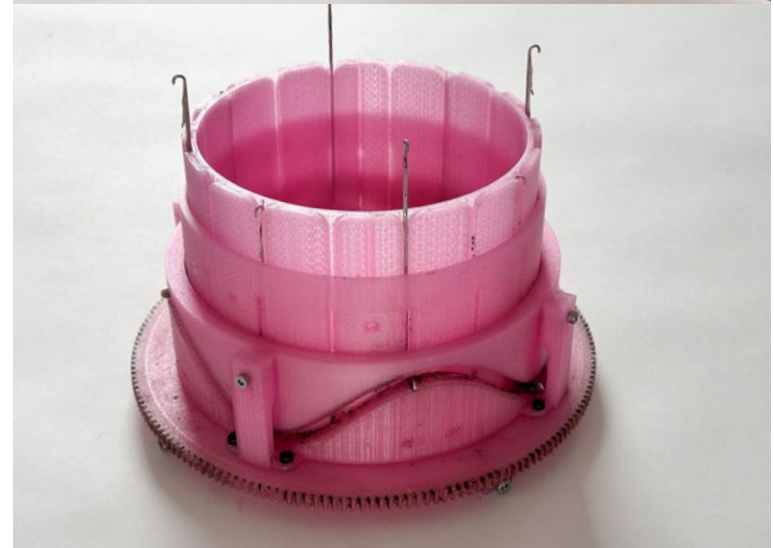
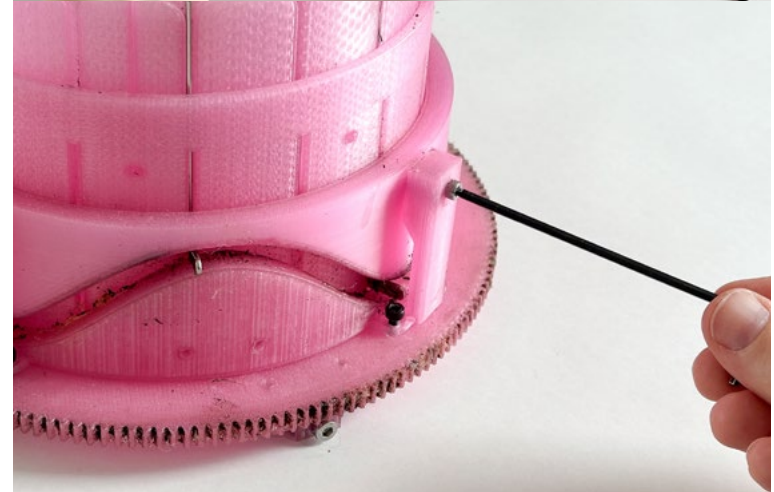






**3D Printed Parts:**  
**Needle Guide Top**

**Hardware:**  
**4x M3x12 Screws**



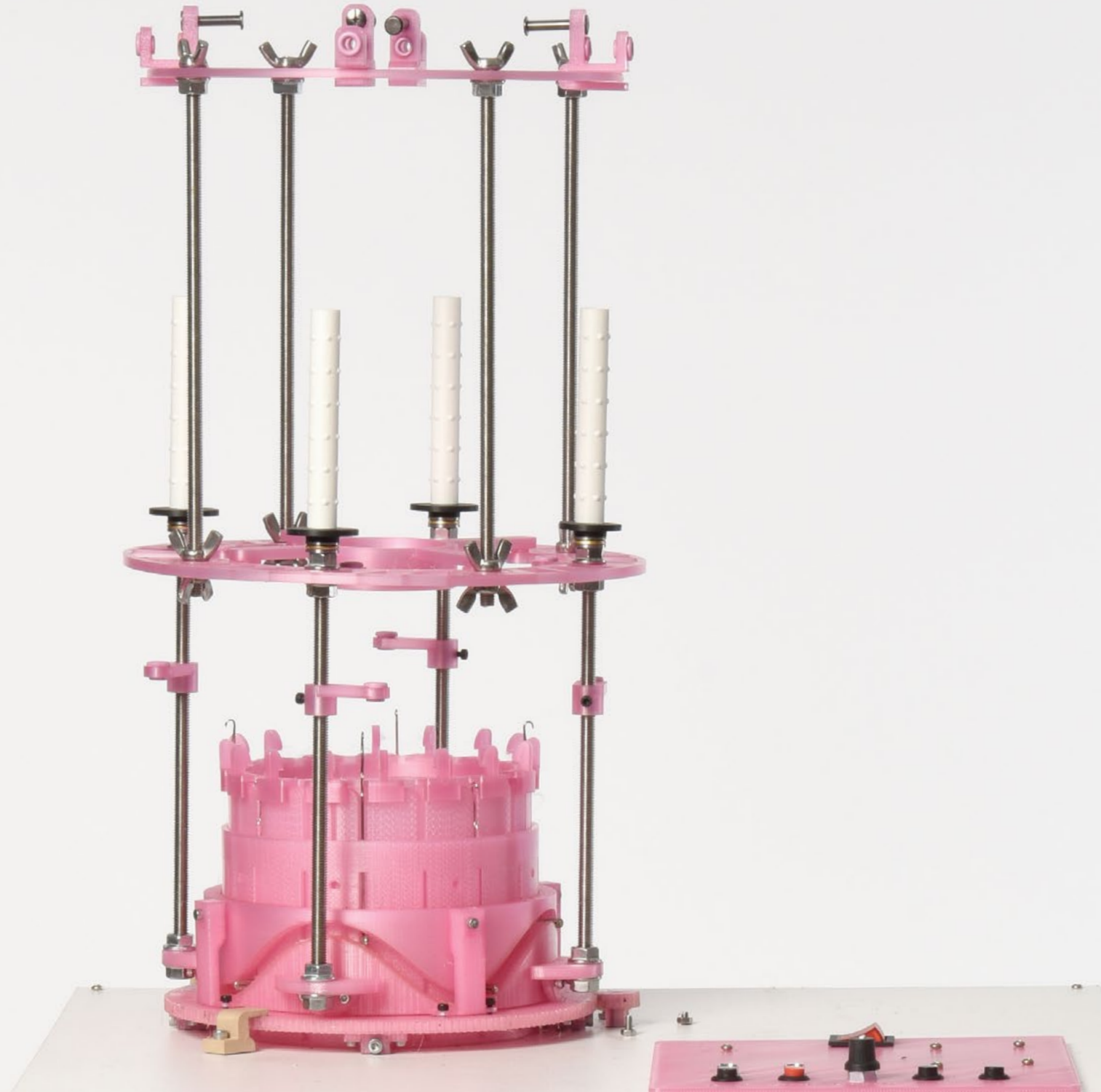


Attach on table!  
M3x12 Screws





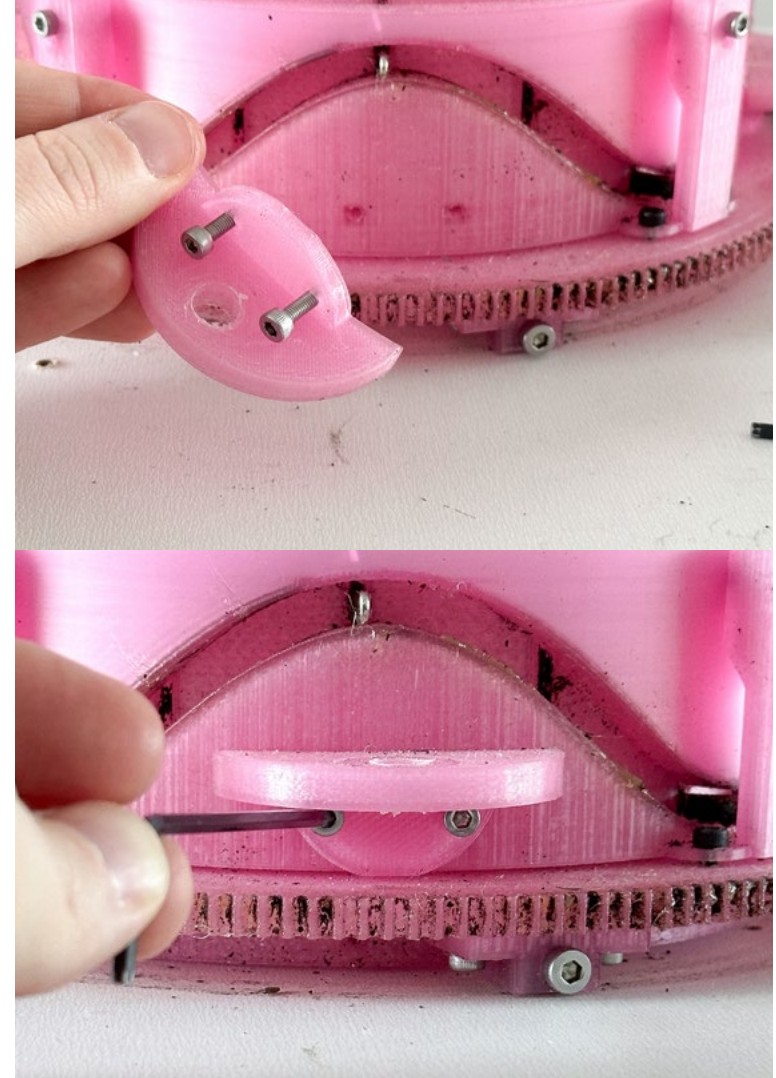
Bottom Gear  
Cylinder Bottom  
Cylinder Top  
Yarn System



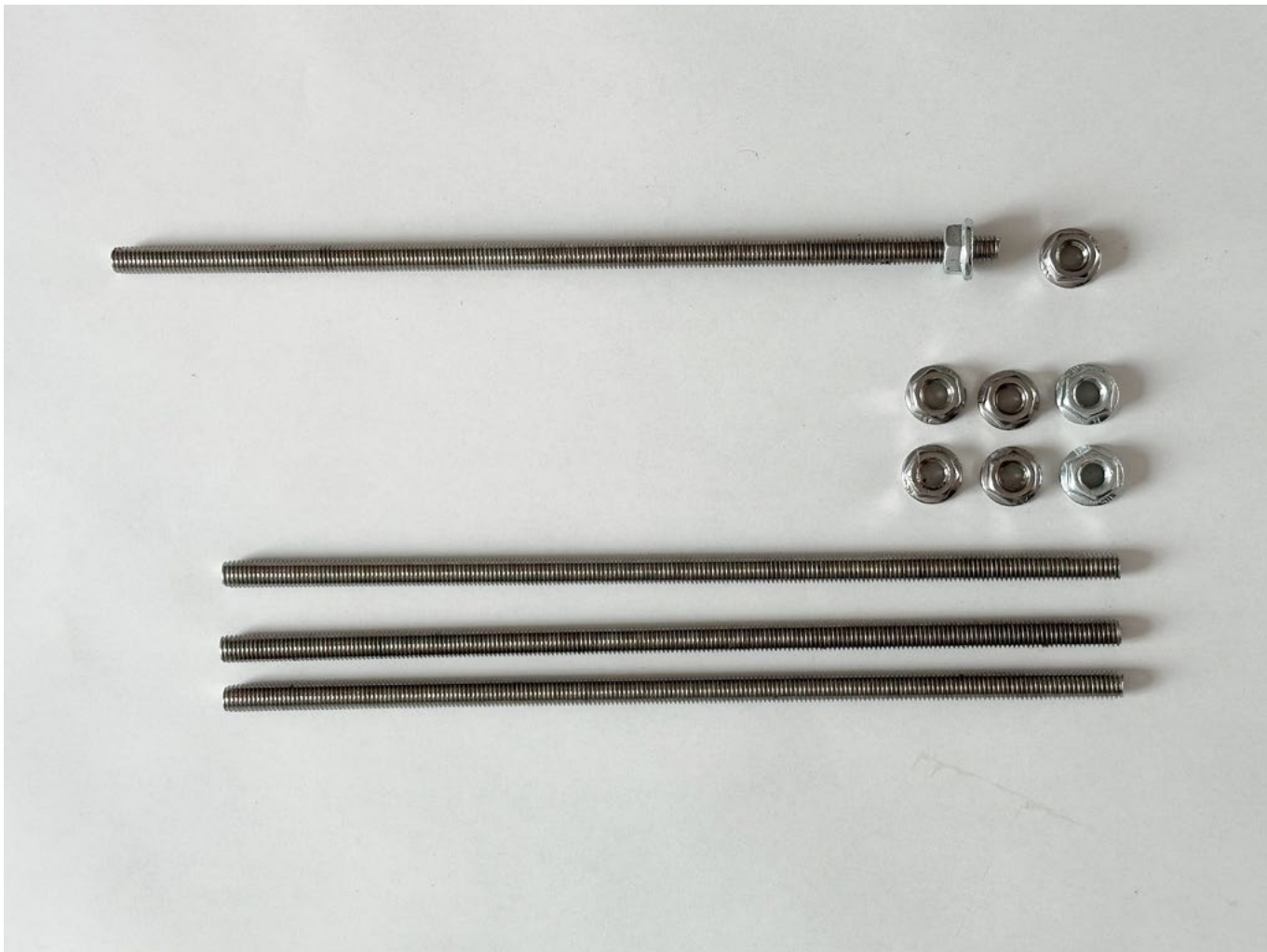


**3D Printed Parts:**  
**4x Threaded Rod Holder**

**Hardware:**  
**8x M3x8 Screws**

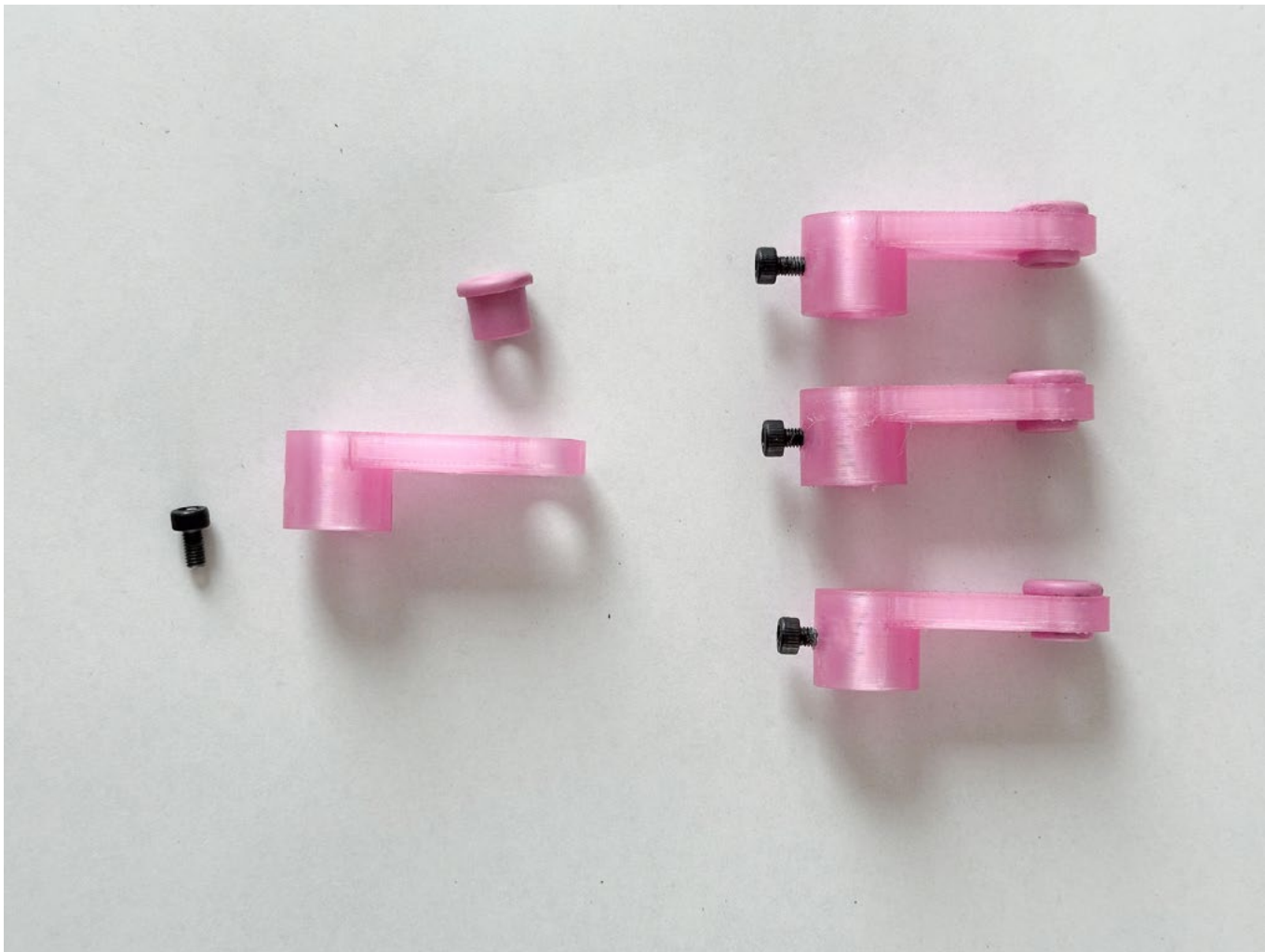






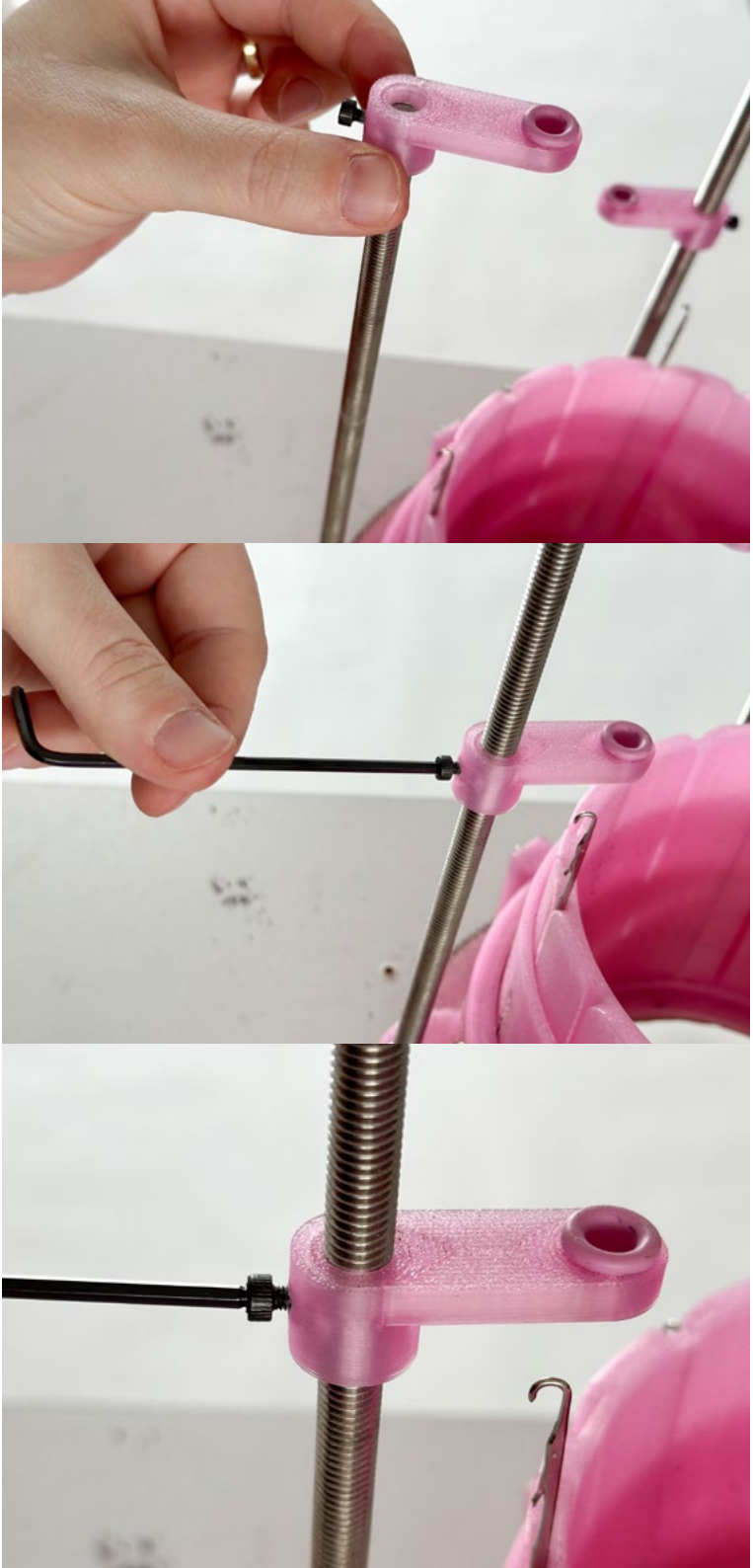
Hardware:  
4x Threaded Rods M8  
8x Flange Nuts M8





3D Printed Parts:  
4x Yarn Wing Guide

Hardware:  
4x M3x6 Screws  
4x Ceramic Eyelets 5mm

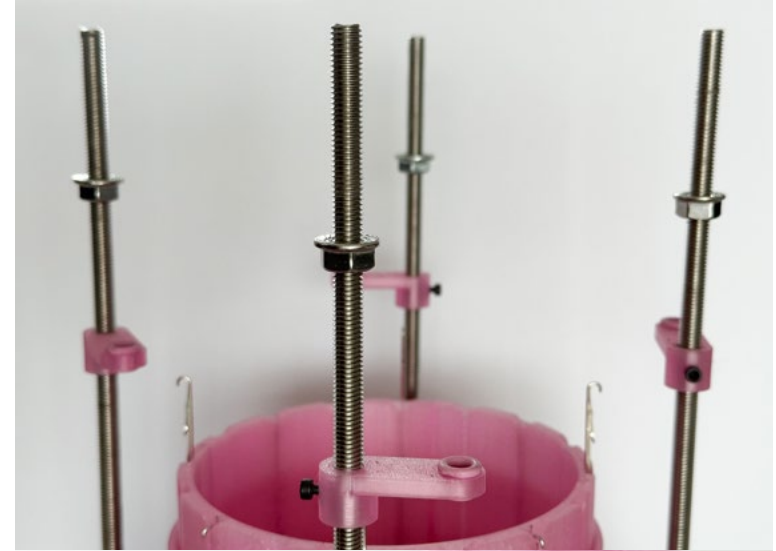






**3D Printed Parts:**  
**Middle Layer**

**Hardware:**  
4x Flange Nuts M8  
4x Ceramic Eyelets 5mm







Funnel attachment



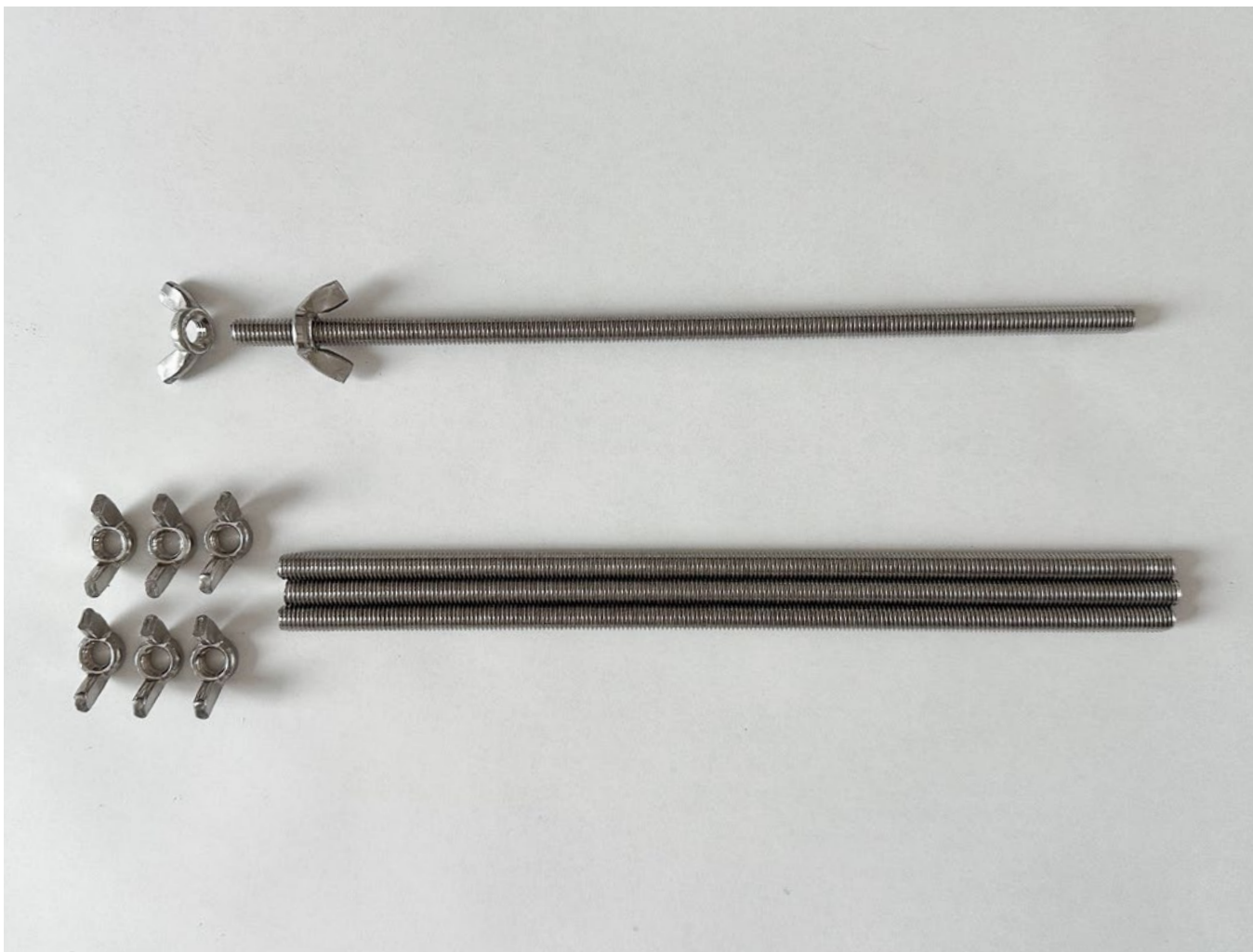


**3D Printed Parts:**  
Spool Holder

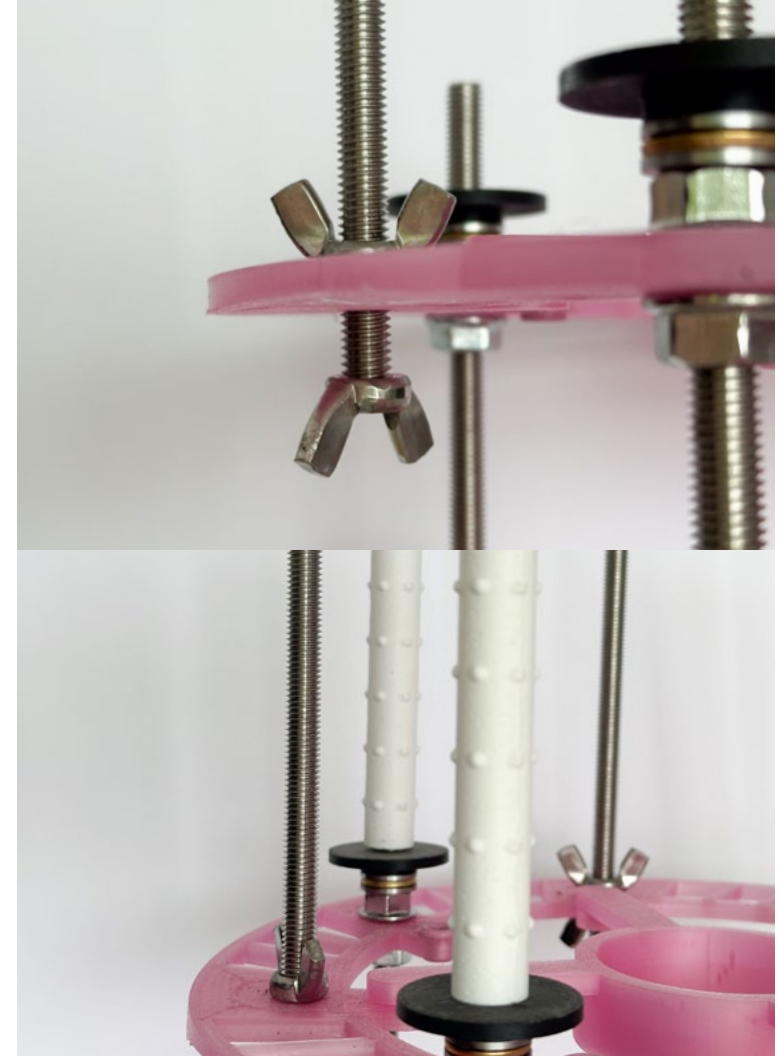
**Hardware:**  
4x Thrust Ball Bearings







Hardware:  
8x Wing Nuts M8  
4x Threaded Rods M8

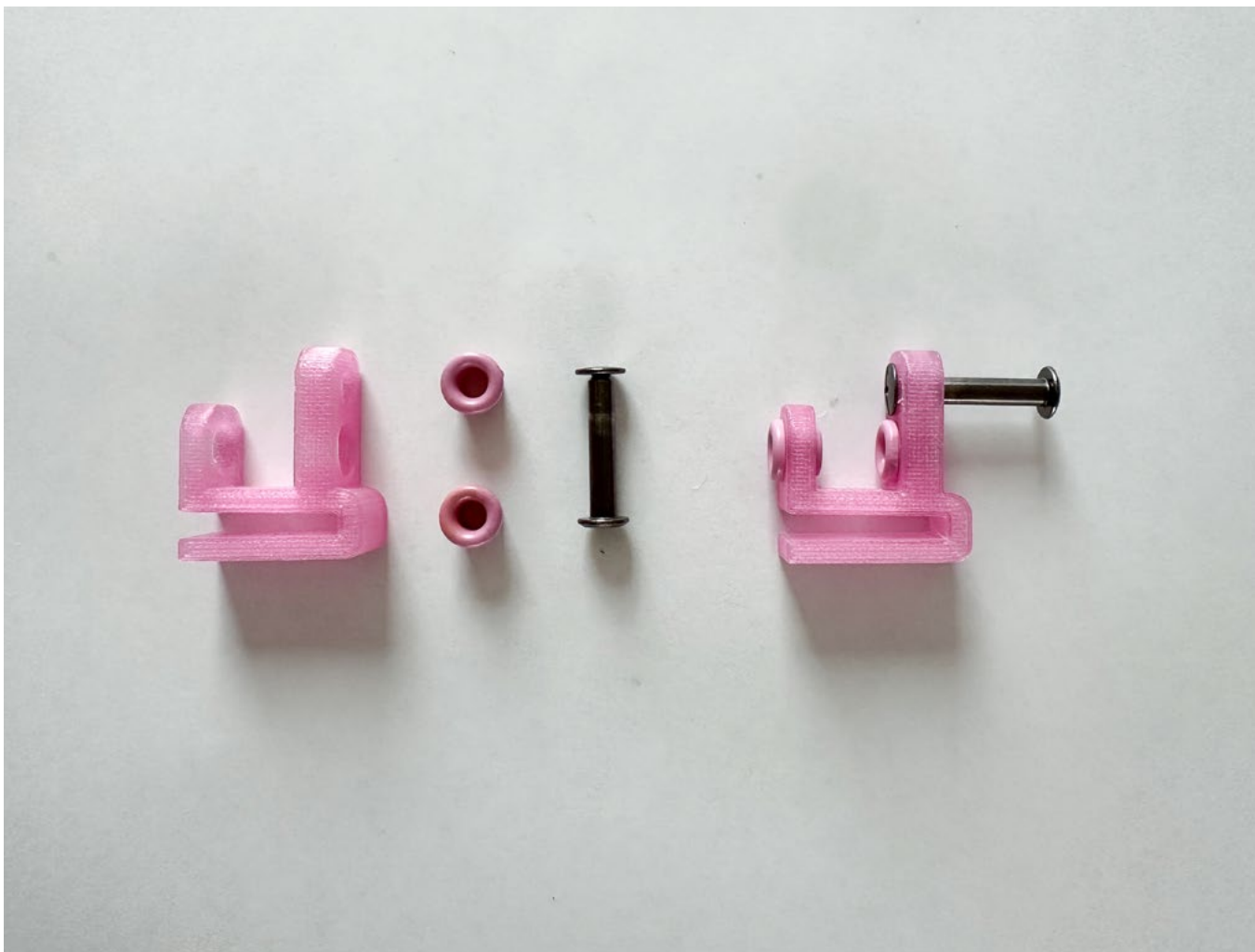




**3D Printed Parts:**  
**Top Layer**

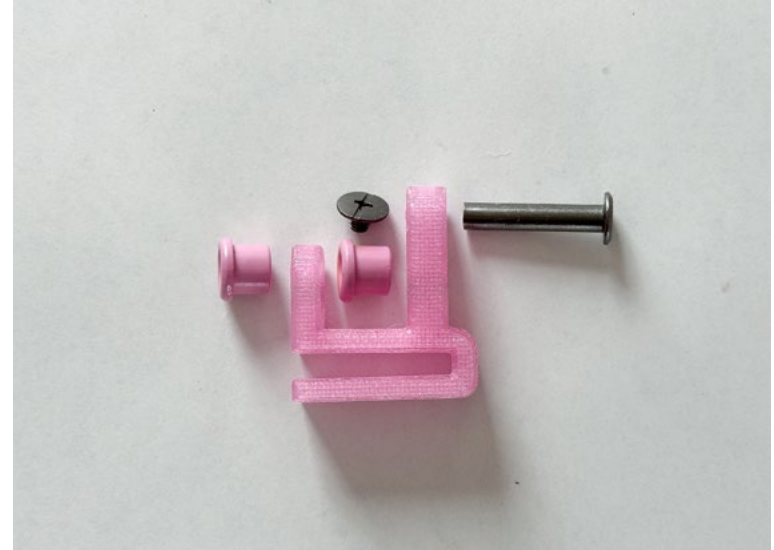
**Hardware:**  
**4x Flange Nuts M8**  
**4x Wing Nuts M8**





3D Printed Parts:  
Yarn Tension Holder

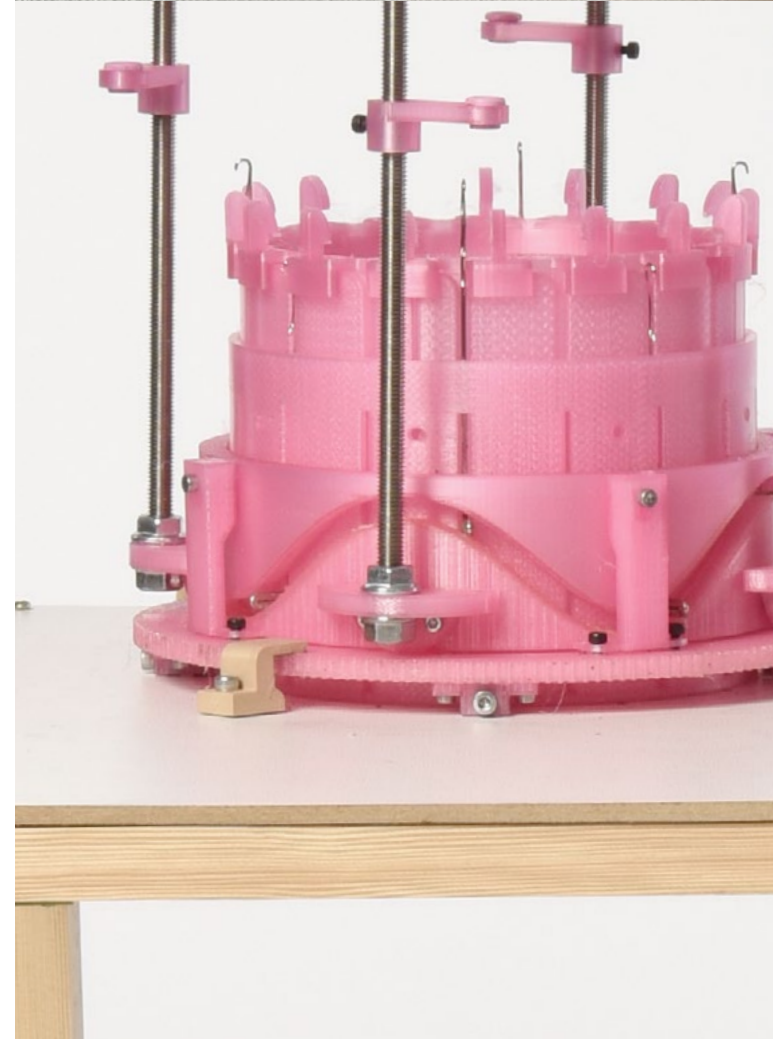
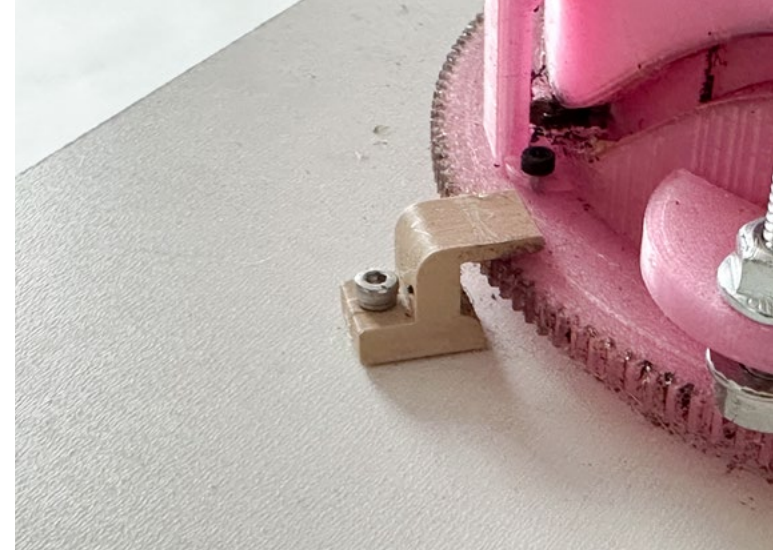
Hardware:  
8x Ceramic Eyelets 5mm  
4x Book Screw





3D Printed Parts:  
3x Bottom Gear Fix

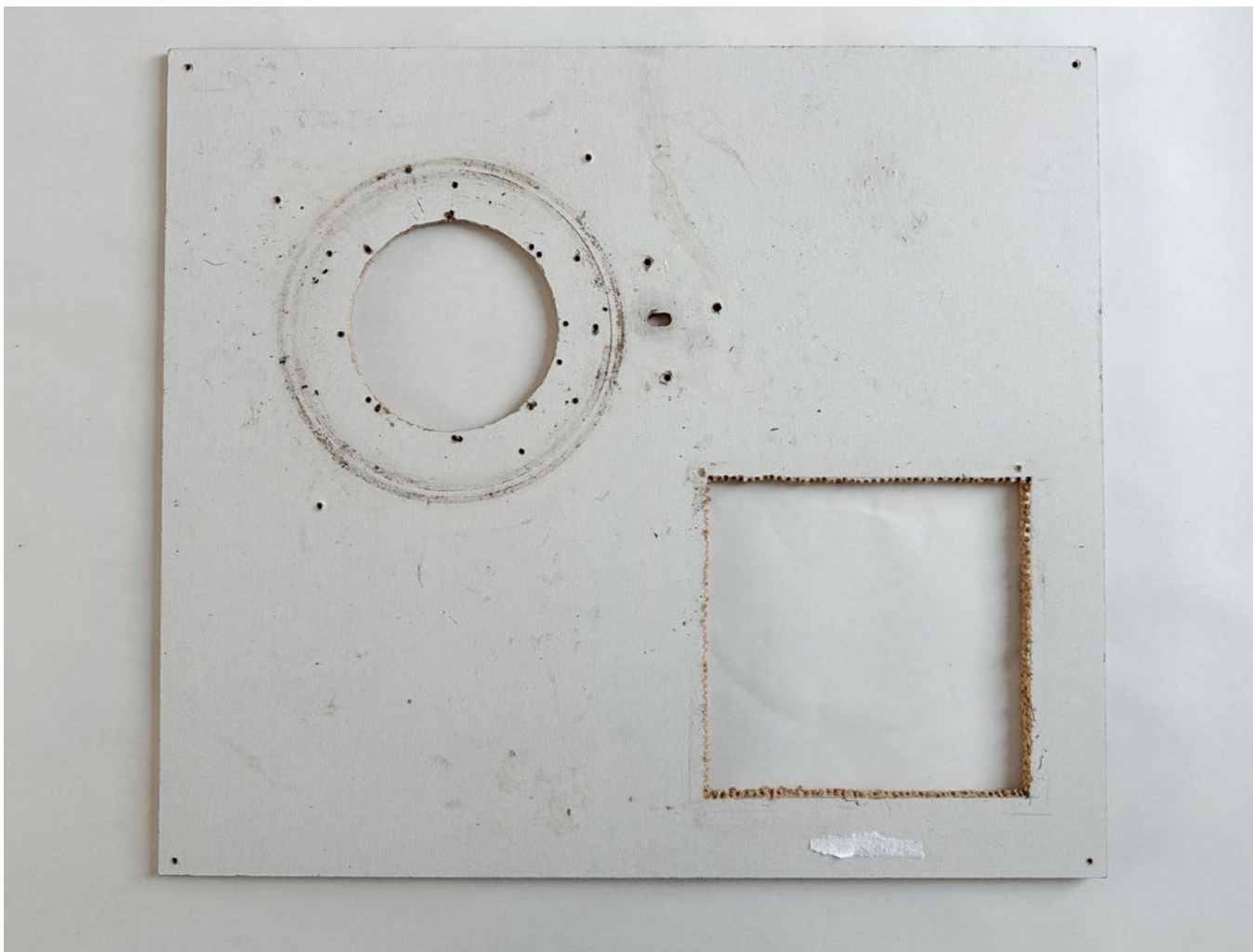
Hardware:  
3x M4x12 Screws





Bottom Gear  
Cylinder Bottom  
Cylinder Top  
Yarn System  
**Table**





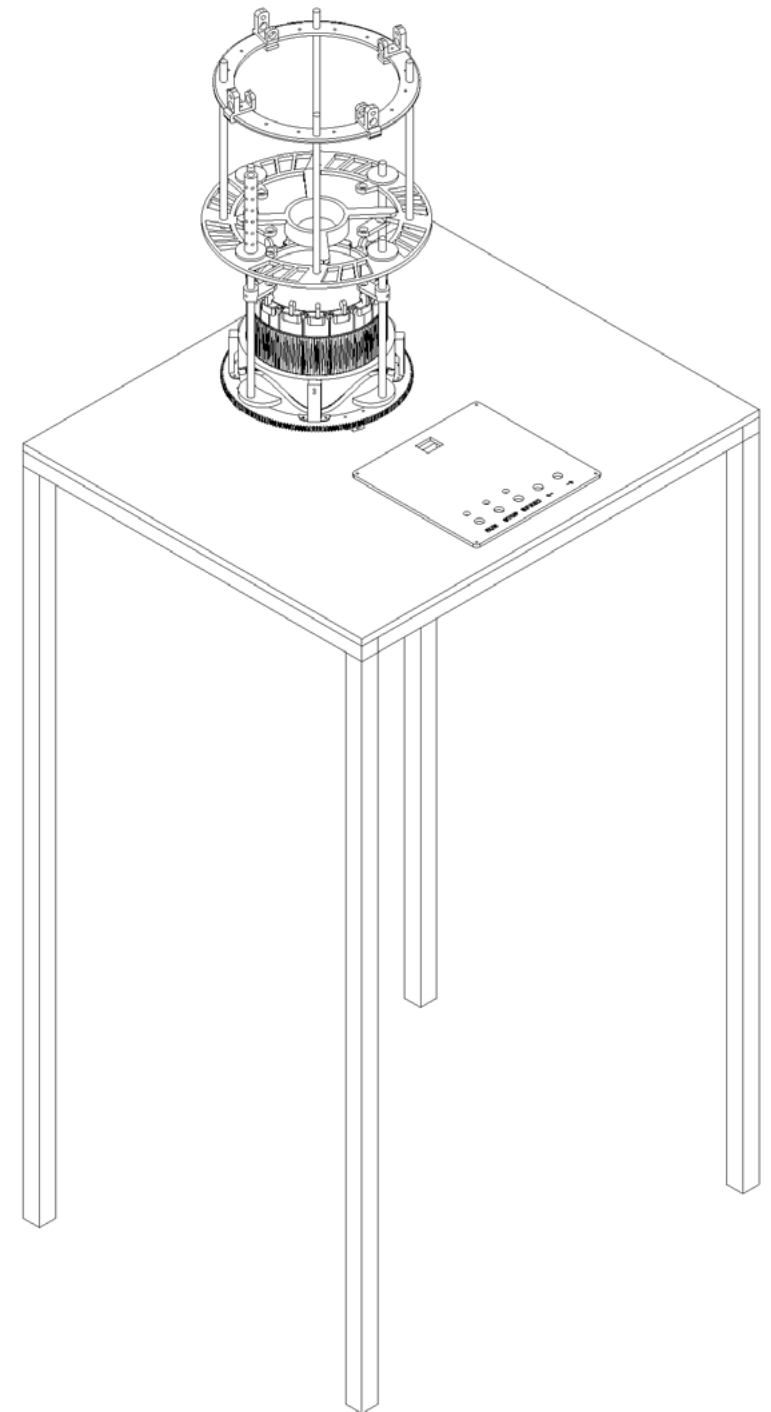
Note: You can design the table basically how you like: Adjusted to your height, bigger work station etc. Here you will find my measurements for a simple table.

Tabletop:  
610x520mm

Legs length: 1000mm  
Diameter leg bars: 25x25mm  
Connecting bars: 25x30mm

Round hole: I used the „Outer Cylinder“ to draw the holes of the screws and the outlet on the wood board. The diameter is 110mm.

Electronics:  
The square hole is 175x175mm







#### End Notes:

You will find a STL File named „Needle Holder“ – you can also print those but I had the feeling it doesn't quite work the way it should. Any feedback is welcome!

Anyway: You build your Macro Yarn Machine  
– congratulations!

I'm happy to collaborate for further developments, contact me via E-Mail: [studio.jasminmartinez@gmail.com](mailto:studio.jasminmartinez@gmail.com)

Let me and others find your process and developments via the hashtag #macroyarnmachine