

# 4-DOF Video Jib System



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## Opportunity

Growth of self-media, e.g. Youtubers, creates a rising demand for reliable and affordable videography equipment.

- Existing equipment does not offer 3 degrees of motion in one device.
- Market lacks a balanced option meeting both affordability and versatility

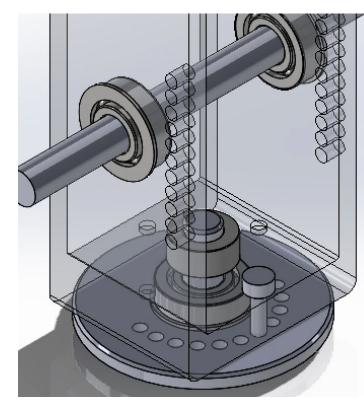
## **Design Solution**

Our balanced solution blends the advantages of tripods, jibs, dollies, sliders, camera head mounts and gimbals into one Jib arm system with three degrees of motion for professional shots.

### **Additional Subsystems**

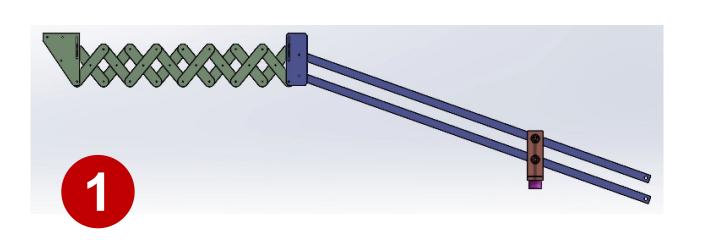


**Chain-Sprocket and Rack-Pinion Extension System** 

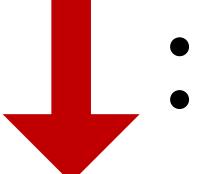


**Locking System** 

# **Prototype Evolution**







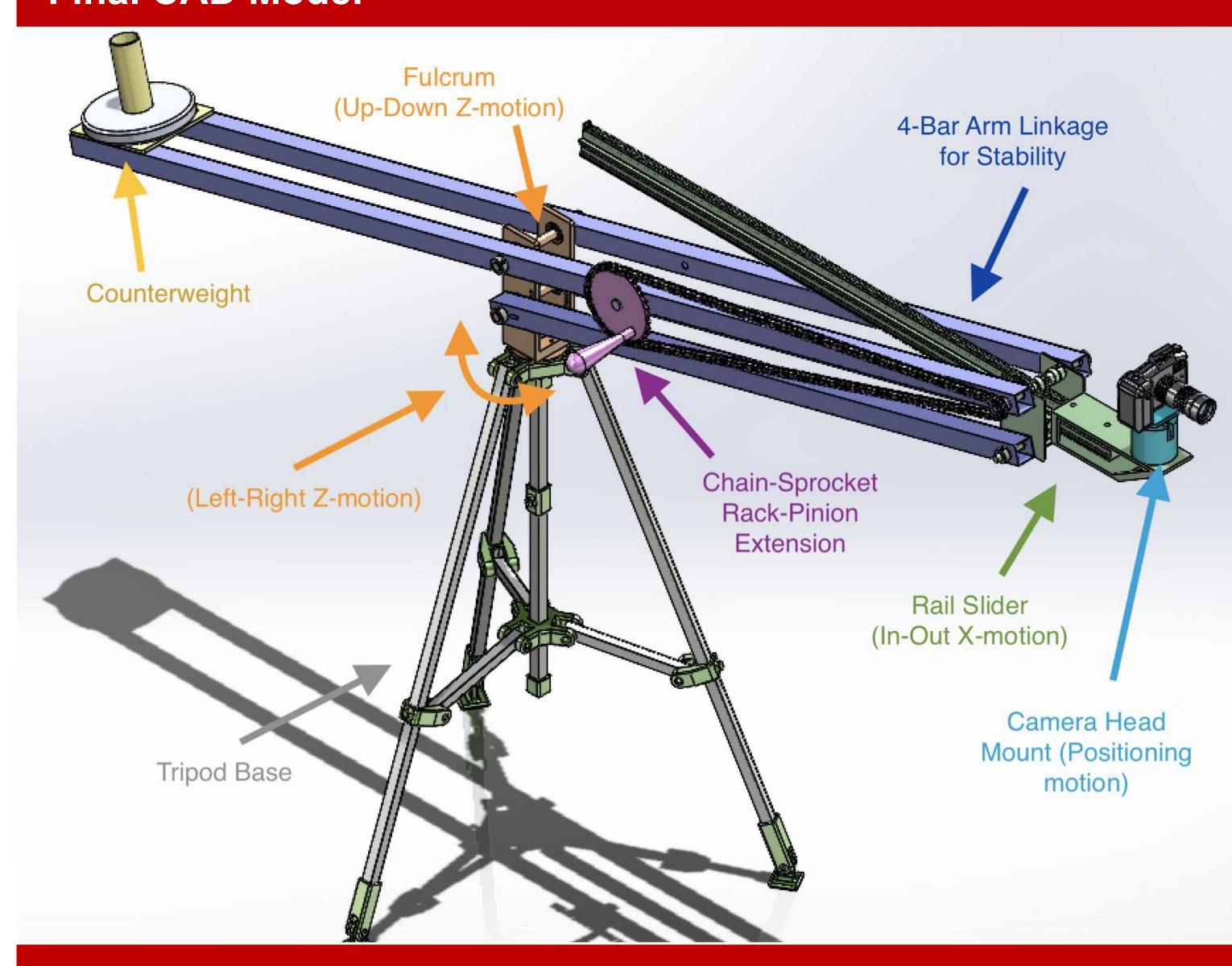
- Scissor for X-motion
- Fulcrum and stabilizing 4-bar linkage



- Rail Slider for X-motion
- Counterweight
- Locking System



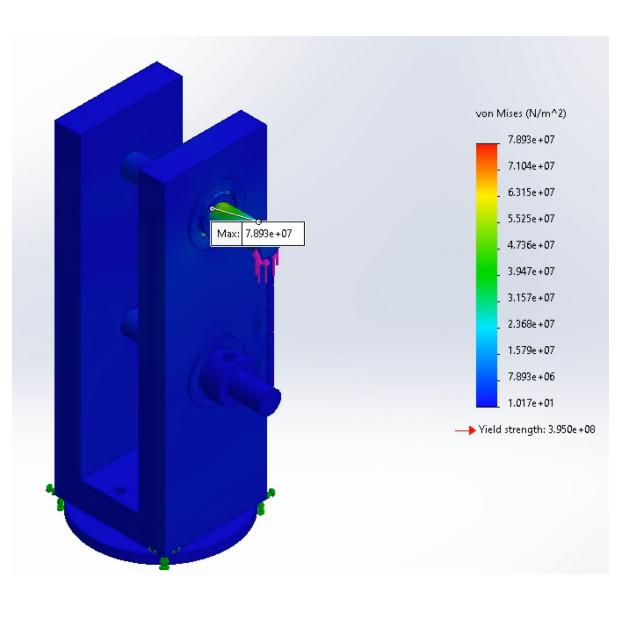
# Final CAD Model



# **Engineering Analysis**

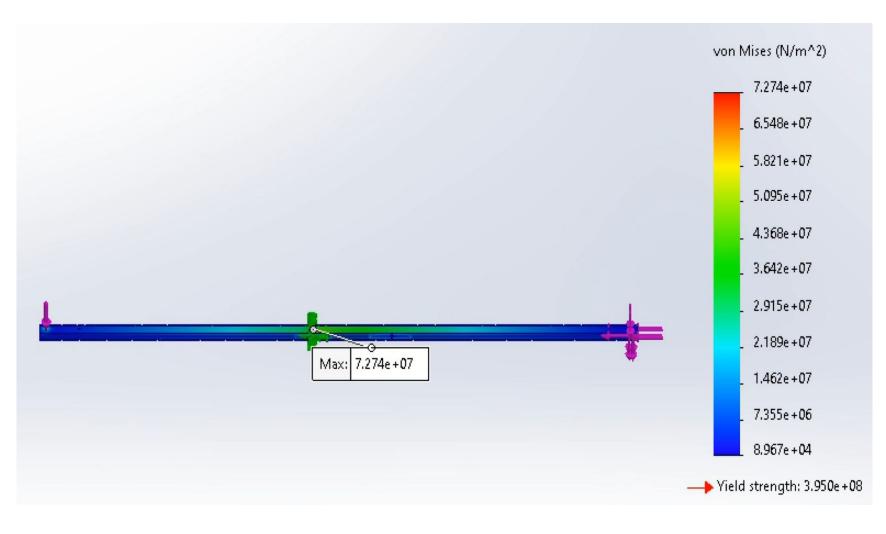
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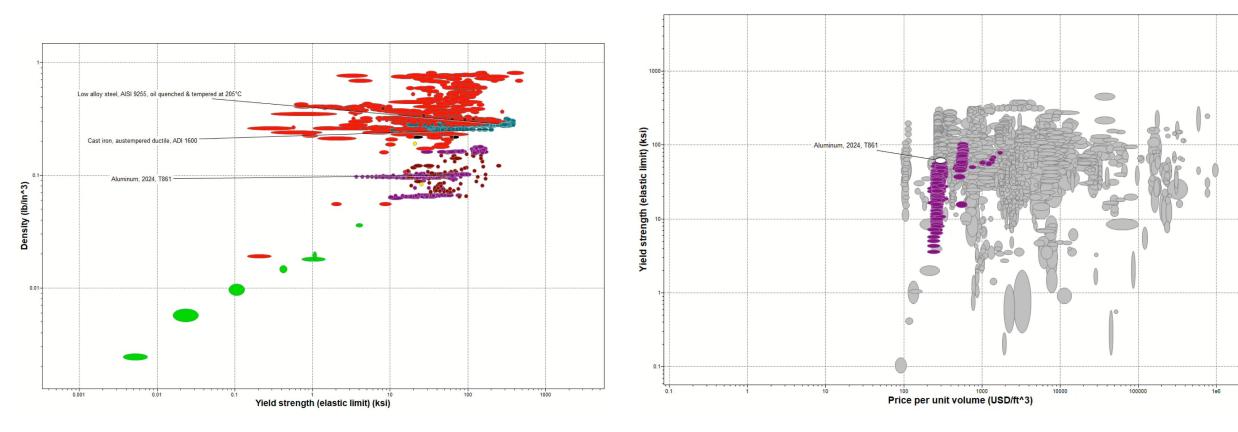


# **Custom Top Arm**

FEA gives Factor Of Safety (FOS) of 5.2 with Aluminum. This abides by OSHA's FOS for Hoisting and Rigging.



# **Material** <u>Selection</u> Aluminum, 2024, T861



### **Market Research**

- Each of six standard equipments, i.e., tripods, jibs, dollies, sliders, camera head mounts and gimbals are designed only for a specific kind of motion
- Lack of affordable options with multiple motion capabilities

#### Interviewed Stakeholders:

- a professional filmmaker
- three amateur photographers
- a student filmmaker
- For amateur stakeholders, the cost to purchase all types of equipment is prohibitive

## Benchmarking

### Jib Proaim

Pros: stability, durability, affordability, and transportability

Cons: no in-and out camera motion

### Tripod Dolly

Pros: adjustability, lightweight, and compactness

Cons: no vertical movement

### Camera Gimbal

Pros: extendibility and lightweight Cons: stability and payload

### Jib Tripod

Pros: adjustability and compatibility

Cons: affordability

# Video Stability Results

Using an Optical Flow Algorithm we compared shots from our Jib System with a hand-held camera to get a roughness value.

Shot Type	Our Jib	Hand-held Camera
Left - Right	0.83	4.00
Up - Down	1.13	1.44
In - Out	3.56	4.12

Requirement	Check
Pan 6 ft Person	Yes
Under 30 min assembly	Yes
Holds 10 pounds	Yes