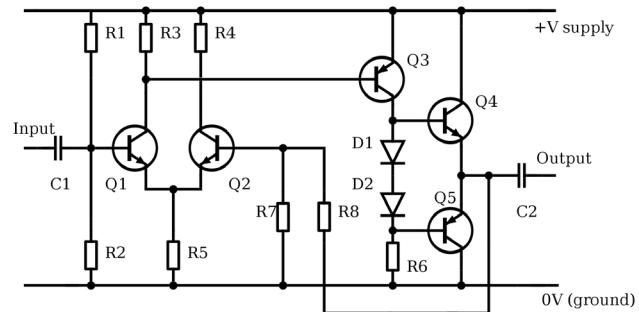


Lecture 3 – Technical drawings and laser cutting

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3D modelling/printing discussion

Technical drawings

Introduction flat sheet cutting

Laser cutting

How it works

Cutting/engraving

Techniques

3D modelling/printing discussion

Find a person who is not in your group

Open your motor holders in Fusion 360

Show your 3D models

Operations that you used

Problems that you found

Did you remember to create a component?

How many bodies do your parts have?

All your sketches are in the right component?

Show your 3D printed parts and discuss

How it works (How it clamps the motor)

Measure some dimensions and compare them to
their value in the 3D model (Tolerances)

Common pitfalls using Fusion 360

No create a new component for a new part

In multipart documents, make changes in one part without activating that component

Have several bodies for a component

Usually, 1 component -> 1 body

For advanced users:

<https://designandmotion.net/new-post/when-to-use-fusion-360-bodies-and-components/>

Use the box/cylinder/hole command

Make copies of bodies and move them around

Good practices in Fusion 360

Think before start 3D modelling

Draw a sketch on paper

Keep your model clean

Create a new component for a new part

1 component -> 1 body

Rename all sketches (or at least the critical ones)

Minimize the number of operations to avoid long
design histories

When extruding, use “to object” instead of “to
distance”, if appropriate

Use symmetry and linear/circular patterns

A 2D representation of a 3D part.

Purposes:

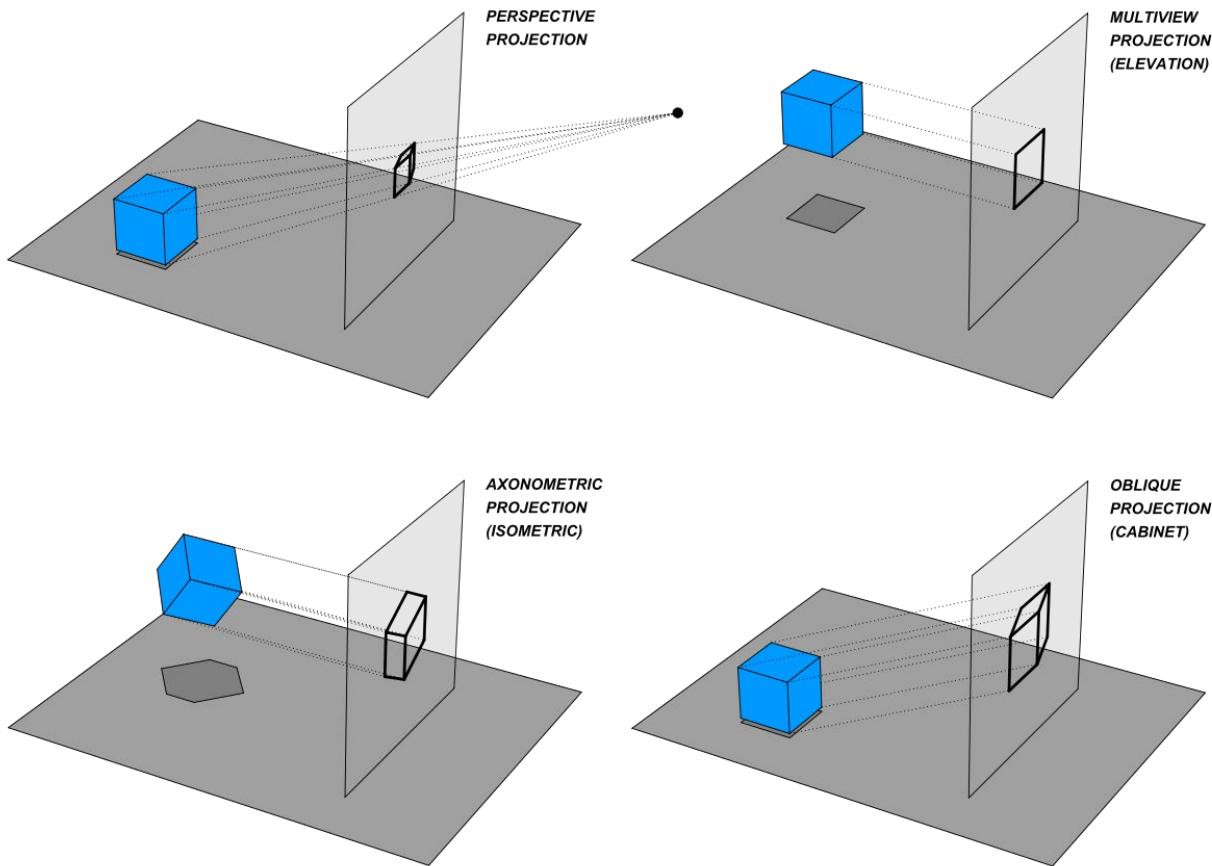
Illustrative

Documentation

Manufacture parts in workshops

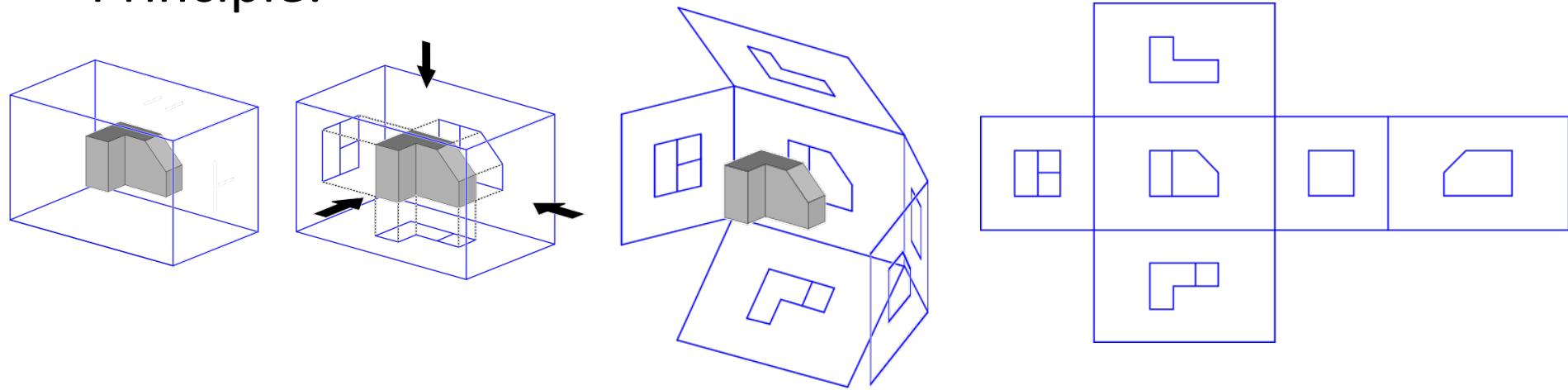
Drawings – methods

One part, several representations

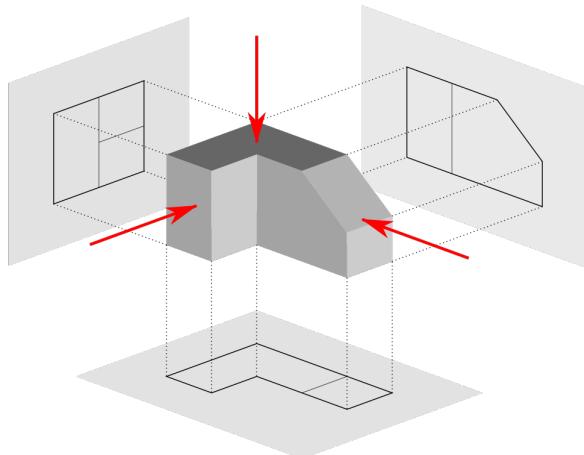


Multiview projection

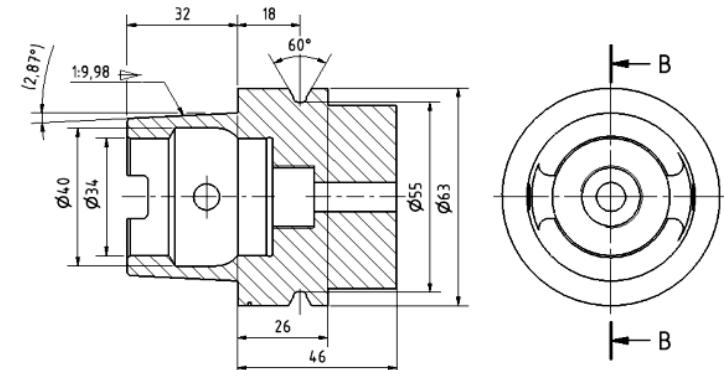
Principle:



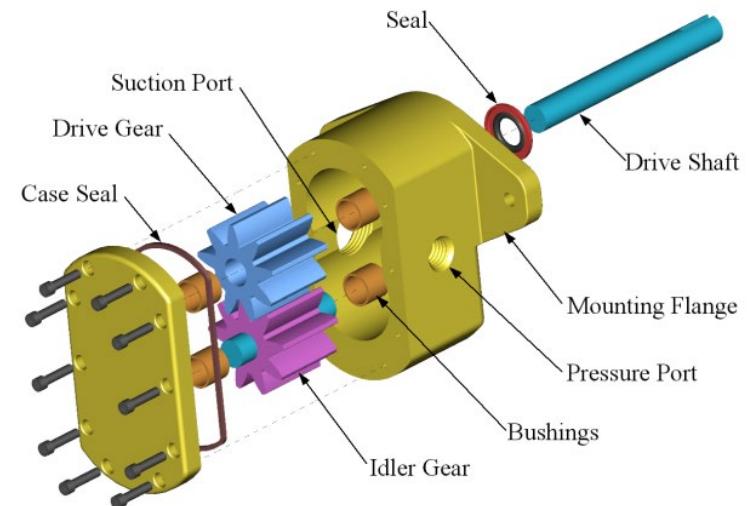
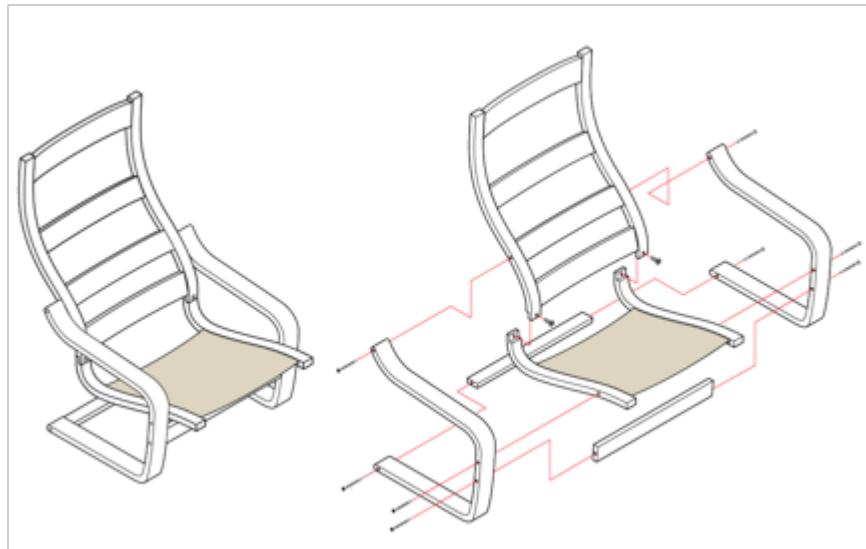
3 views



Sections



Exploded-view drawing



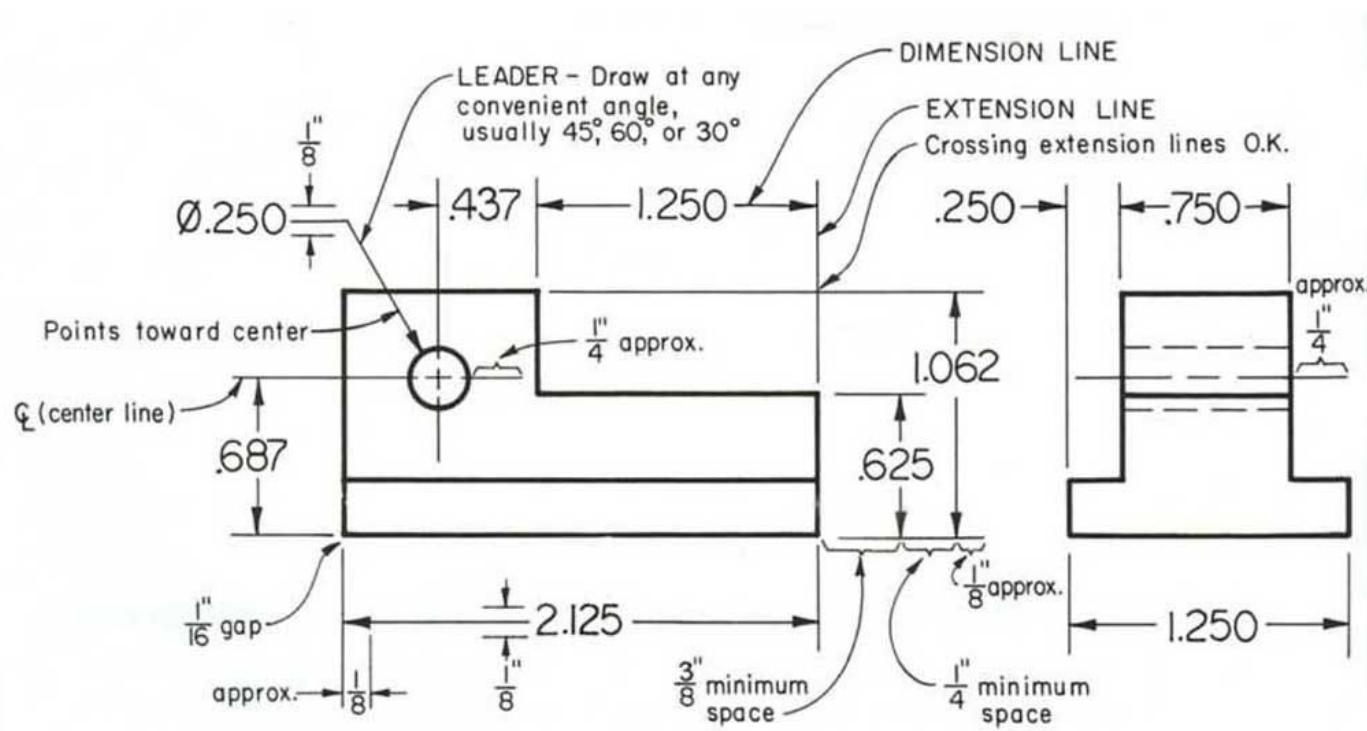
Dimensioning Rules

Give all the dimensions of the part

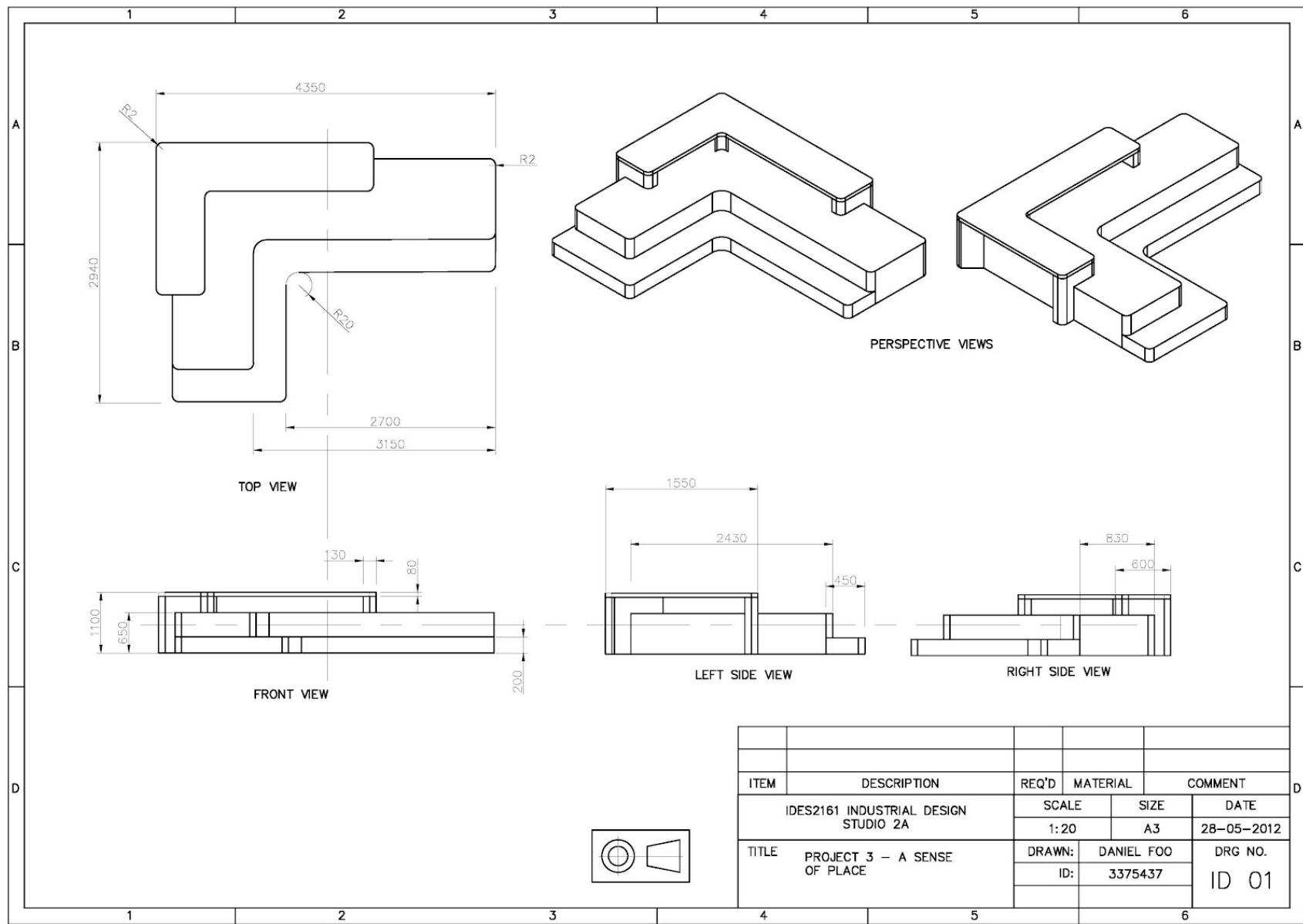
Do not duplicate dimensions on a drawing

Place dimensions on the most descriptive view

Dimension lines should not cross any other line



Title block



Generating a drawing

Change to Fusion 360!

Introduction flat sheet cutting

How it works

There is a flat material (sheet)

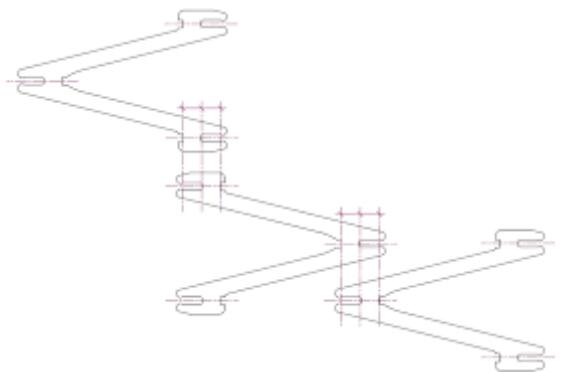
A machine cuts/engraves the sheet

Methods to cut the material:

Method	Cuts	Speed	Quality	Max .thickness	Other
Plasma cutting	Only metals	Fast	Low	< 20mm	Fumes
Water jet	Everything	Slow	Good	< 250mm	No heat
Laser cutting	some materials (depends on the laser)	Medium	Good	< 12mm	Fumes

Ugh, a 2D technique...

From flat to 3D by Philip Beesley



Ugh, a 2D technique...



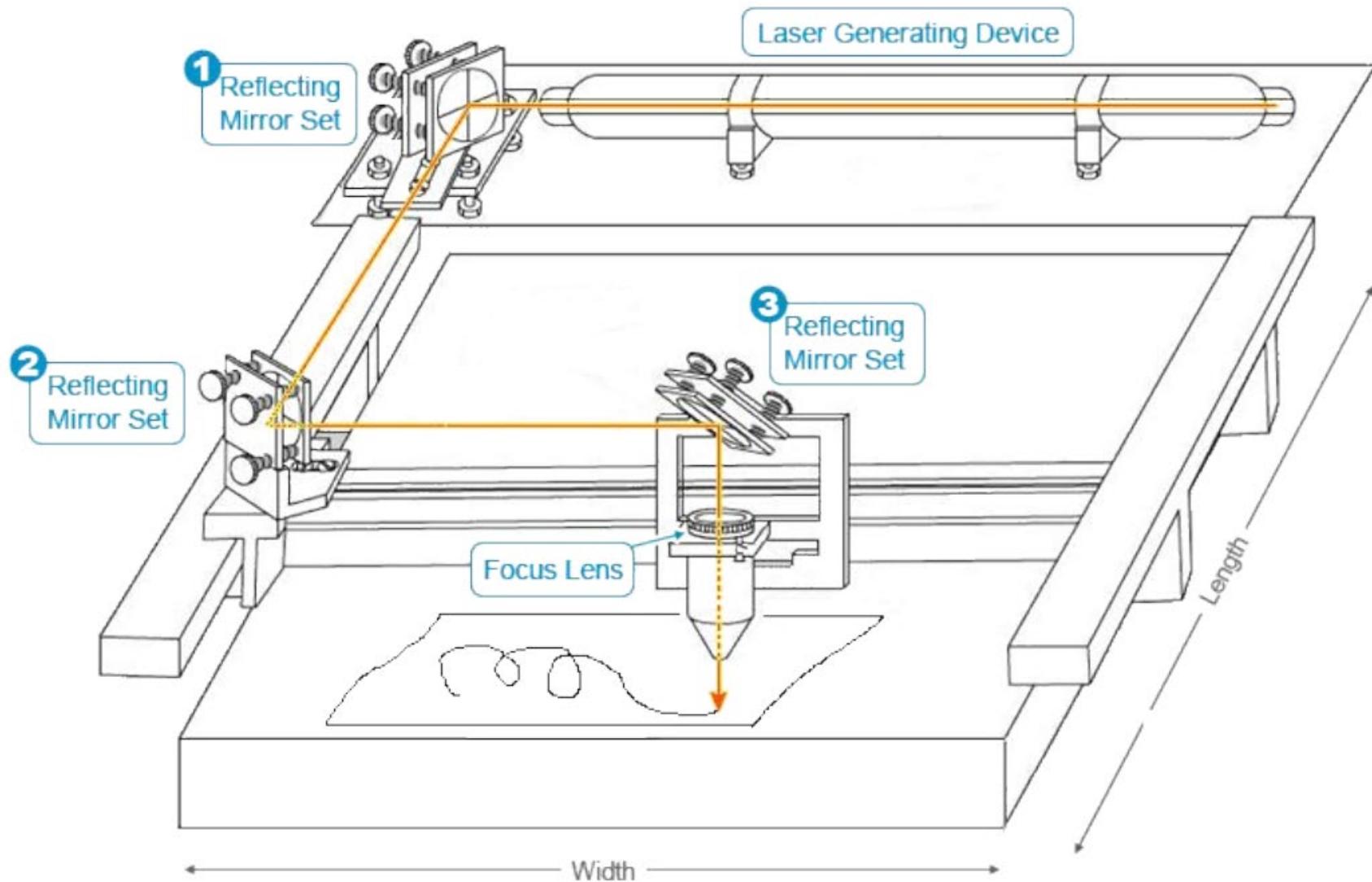
Dermoid - CITA, KADK 2011 - Lasercut plywood slotted together - no glue or bolts

Ugh, a 2D technique...



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UA_bXPRdhw&t=21s

Laser cutting - How it works



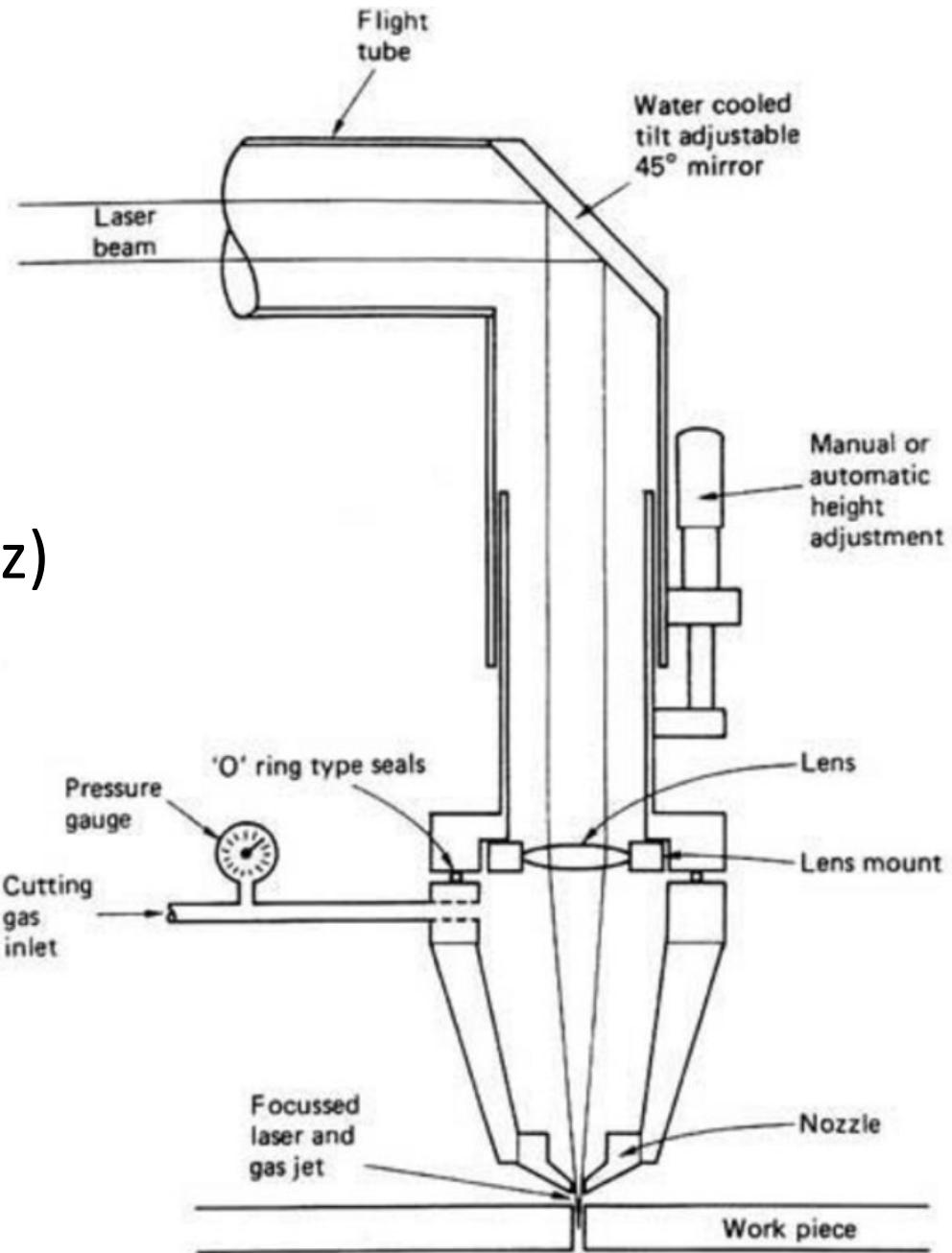
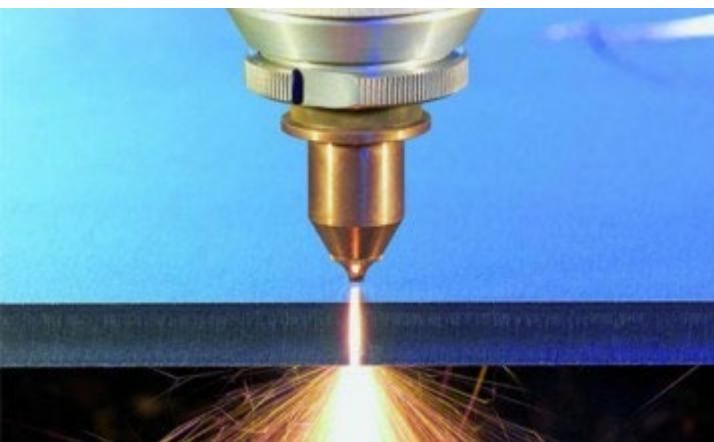
Laser cutting - How it works

Basic parameters

Power (0-100%)

Speed (0-100%)

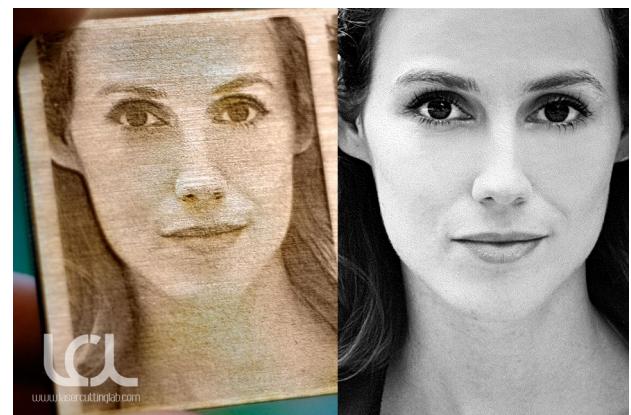
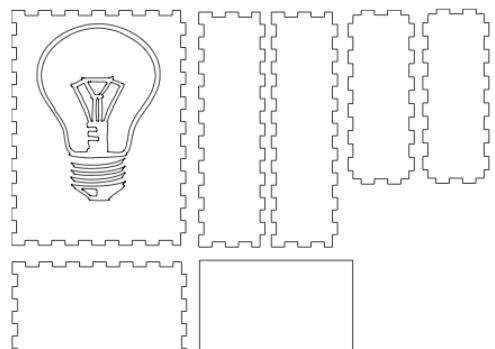
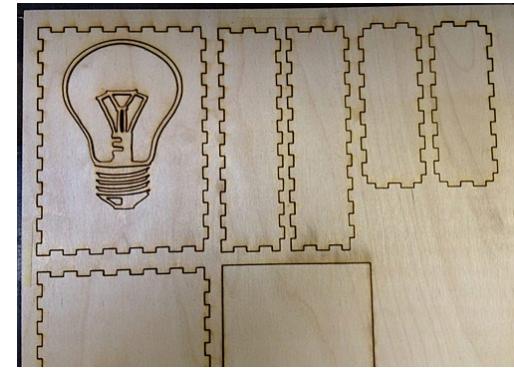
Frequency (0-5000Hz)



Laser cutting – Cutting/Engraving

Vector cutting:
cut through the material
following a line pattern

Engrave:
Etch the surface of the material
using an image



Laser cutting - Cutting/Engraving parameters

Depend on the material

Power :

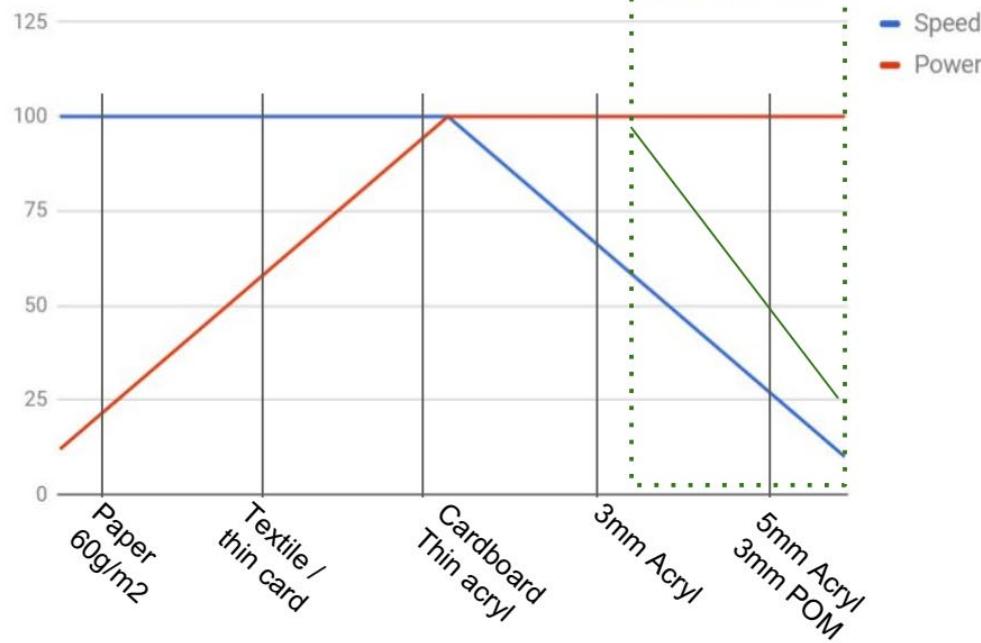
-Linearly dependent on speed

Speed : -linearly dependent on power

Frequency : mostly relevant at slow speed

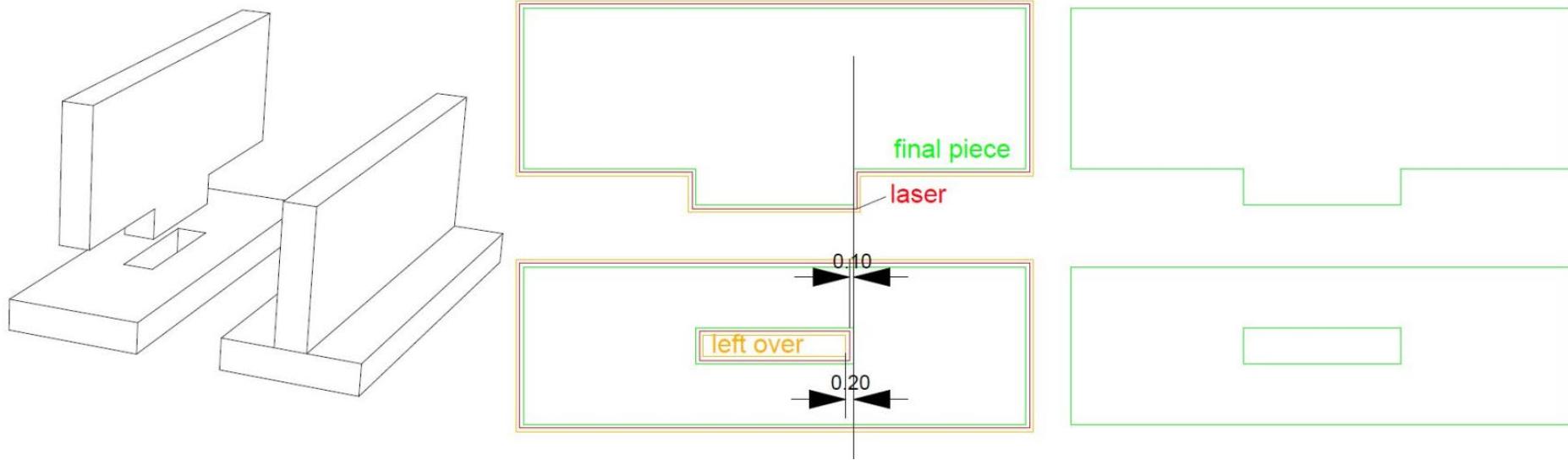


Speed and Power
Thin paper -> Thick wood



Laser cutting – Kerf or cut away

Depend on the material, but
Cut Away for a lasercutter is typically 0.2mm



Laser cutting – Bending

Metals

Bending deformation

Plastics

Heat bending

Acrylic good

POM difficult

Paper/Cardboard

Folding

Engrave the folds

No suitable for wood

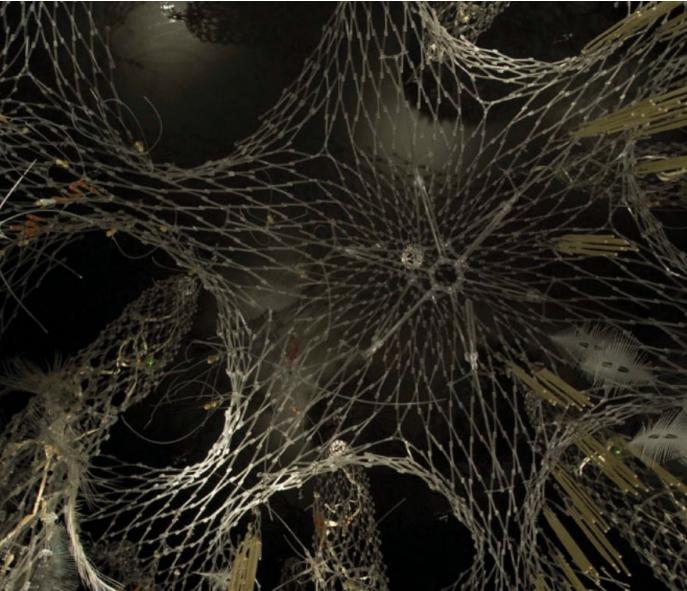
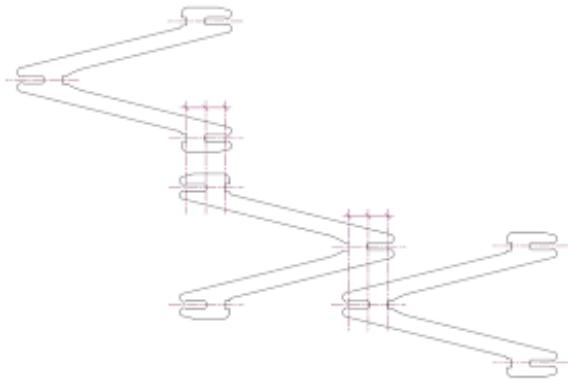


Laser cutting – Bending



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nEjFMYNGY4g>

Laser cutting – Slotting and snap fit

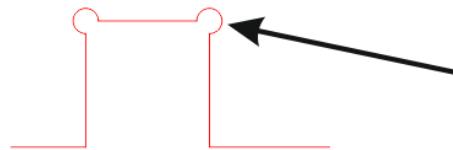


Laser cutting – Finger joints

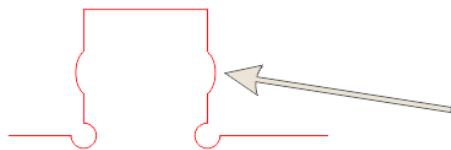
Easy to build

Remember that the laser removes material

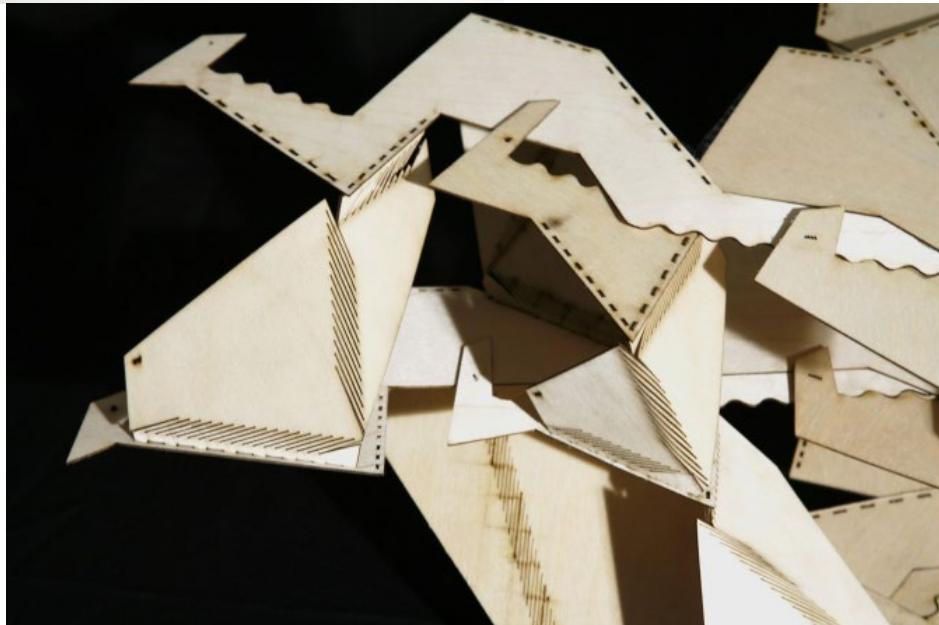
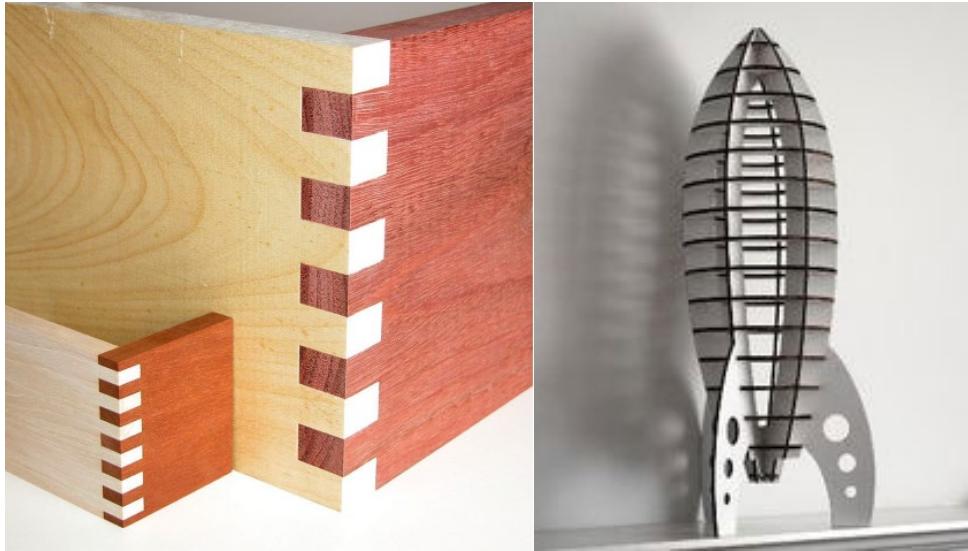
Compensate that if
you want a tight fit



Overcut for
laser cutters
Обработка углов
для лазеров



Lock on finger
Замок на шипе



Laser cutting – Finger joints

Making boxes:

<https://makeabox.io/>

<http://www.makercase.com/>

<http://boxdesigner.connectionlab.org/>

<http://www.instructables.com/id/The-Ultimate-Guide-to-Laser-cut-Box-Generators/>

<https://www.thingiverse.com/thing:255013>

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Laser cutting – Finger joints



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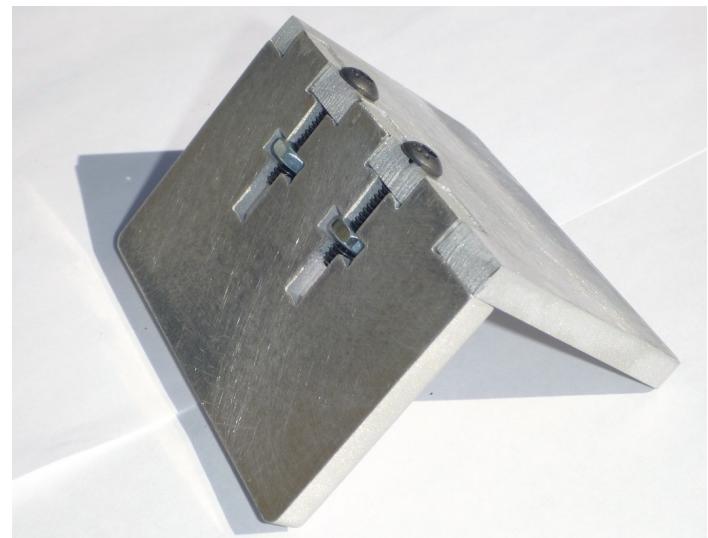
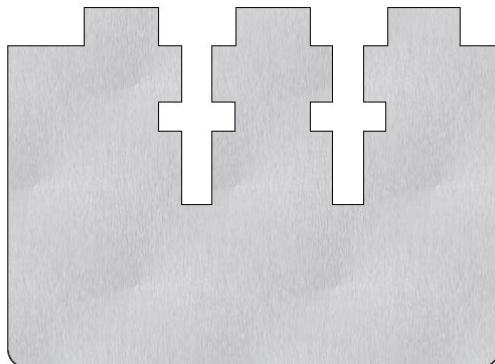
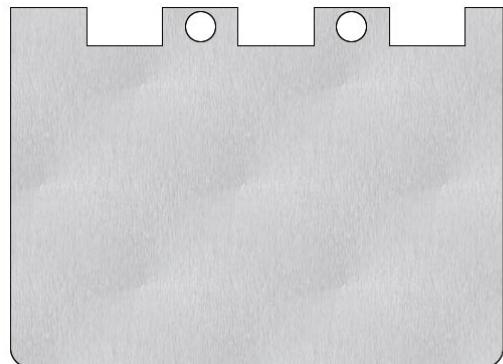
Laser cutting – Other techniques



Engraved acrylic + light



Living hinges



Finger joints + Tnut

Laser cutting– Safety

Never laser cut PVC!

Very toxic fumes

Damage the machine

Never laser cut a material that you don't know what is

Never open the lid of the laser cutter while it is working

Reflections of the laser can damage your eyes easily

Always use the fume extractor and the air pump

Automatically you switch on the laser, but double check

Do not try to use it with materials not suitable to laser cut

Ask for supervision the first time!

Today's plan

Design a key-ring (20 min max.)

Use constraints in the sketch

Design it in Fusion 360 using constraints

Export sketch to DXF (or drawing to pdf)

Open in in Illustrator or Inkscape

Remove construction and auxiliary lines

Change line thickness to 0.0125mm

Add an image to engrave

Cut and engrave the key-ring (Dirty lab)

Learn to use a drill press (Dirty lab)

Learn to bend acrylic (REAL lab)

Learn to use a drill press (REAL lab)

While you wait:

Work on the MA

Ask your doubts about modelling !



Mandatory activity

Design a base for the robot to support
(mandatory: laser cut):

Chassis (motor and motor holder)

Arduino

Breadboard

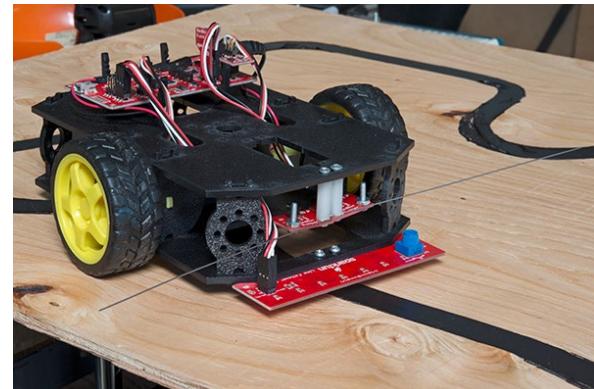
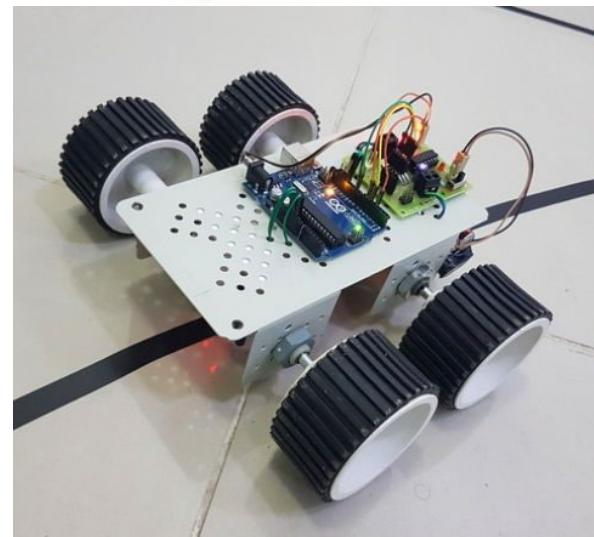
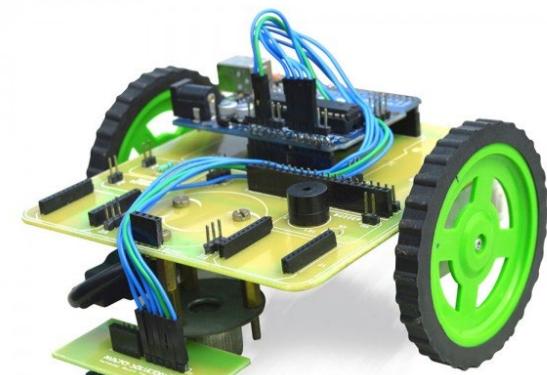
Sensors (leave some free space)

Design the wheels for the robot

3D printed or laser cut

Make a technical drawing with the basic dimensions of the robot

Laser cut/3D print them and come to next lecture with them



Mandatory activity tips

Do not spend too much time designing the wheels

Easiest -> laser cut them + rubber band

Your 3D models can be rough

Not model irrelevant features, e. g. resistors on Arduino

Model only important features, e. g.

- mounting holes

- overall dimensions

- connectors that should go through cases

Make an assembly to get the right dimensions of the base

Be creative, try to avoid rectangular bases

Think in the functionality of the part

Dirty lab (IxD)

Room:

5A54

Resources:

Laser cutter (Supervision 1st and 2nd time)

Ask for materials in REAL lab

Drill press (1st and 2nd time under supervision)

Sander (1st and 2nd time under supervision)

Milling machine (Only under supervision)

Opening hours :

Dirty lab is usually open

If not, ask to Halfdan (IxD, 5A58)

Ready?

Let's cut!

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