



An Introduction to Design for Manufacture (DFM)

and our core manufacturing
processes:

- Plastic Molding
- Sheet Metal
- Rapid Prototyping/3D Printing
- Bar & Tube Fabrication
- Metal Casting
- Machining

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Understanding Manufacturing Cost of Consumer Products

– predominantly Sheet metal and Injection Molded Plastic

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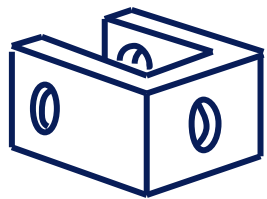
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Design for Manufacture (DFM) Overview

- ❖ **Product Development teams need to know cost early in design to do what-if analysis and explore alternative designs before expensive hard tooling decisions finalized**
- ❖ **aPriori's integrated CAD/DFM software utilizes 3D CAD's mathematical definition of the part/assembly to provide instant cost estimates as you create geometry.**
- ❖ **Necessary today due to high overseas competition and overseas sourcing opportunities**
- ❖ **Need to know early if cost targets are being met - redesign if necessary before its too late.**

Design for Manufacture (DFM) Example

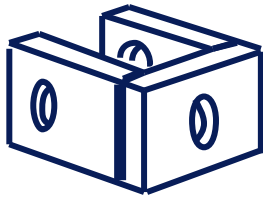
A simple fork end for Pneumatic Piston



*Machine
from Solid*



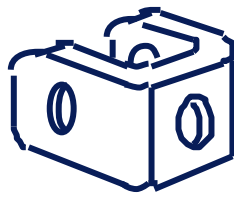
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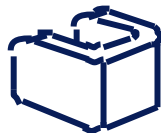
*Welded
Assembly*



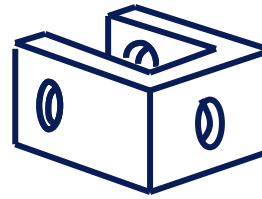
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Casting



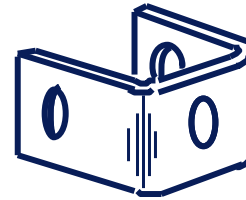
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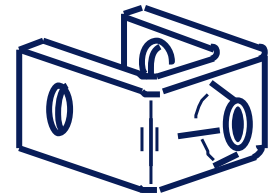
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Sheet Metal



\$1.20



Injection Mold



\$0.30

Piece-part costs

\$10

\$100

\$400

\$8

\$5,000

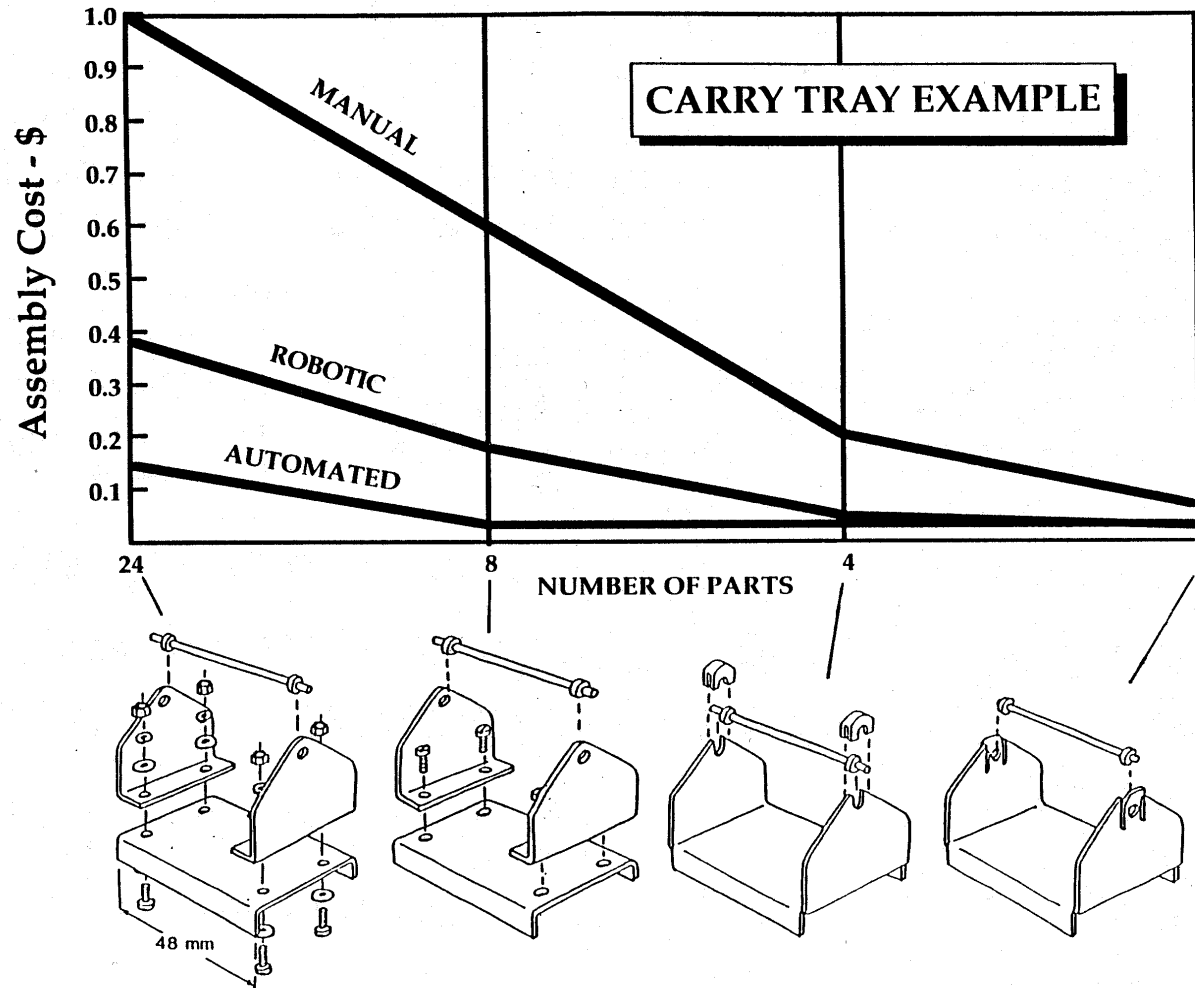
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Tooling costs

Production Volume: Recurring Costs versus Non-Recurring Costs

Design for Assembly (DFA)

Fewer Parts generally means lower overall mfg.cost



Number of Parts: 24

8

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Assembly Time (s): 100

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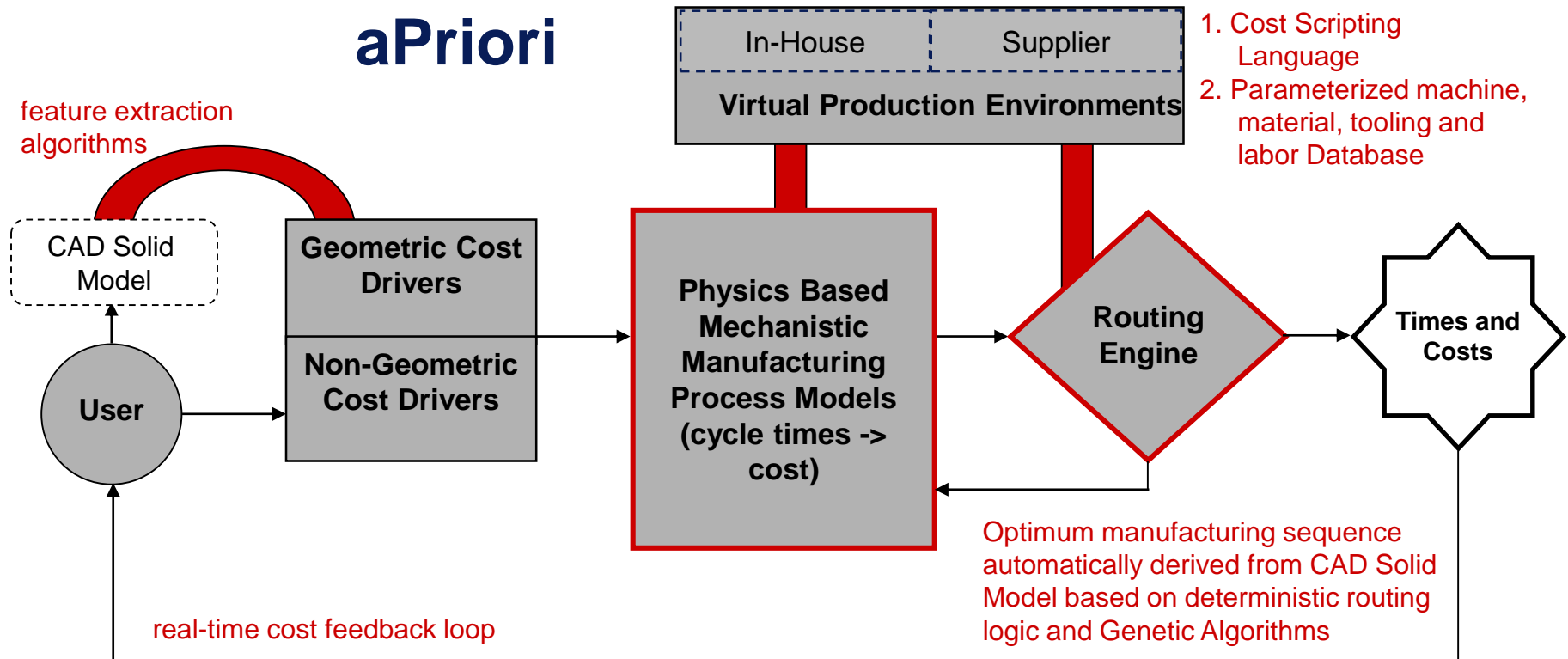
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Feature Based Costing (FBC) Research

- CAD-integrated feature recognition and extraction methodology to provide engineers with accurate real-time cost feedback during design.
- Industry/University Collaborative research project: Started in 1992 with UIUC / John Deere Collaboration - now commercialized www.aPriori.com*

aPriori



* Philpott, M.L., "Integrated Real-Time Feature Based Costing (FBC)," U.S. Patent No. 7,065,420, June 20, 2006

Cost Accounting

Insights and Cost Reduction Opportunities

Cost Statement - Calculated Results (one process, one part)

Direct Variable Costs:

Material Cost	\$1.22	=	Part Weight * Raw Material Cost Per Kg / Material Utilization
Labor Cost	\$0.36	=	Labor Time * Labor Rate
Direct Overhead	<u>\$0.47</u>	=	Cycle Time * Labor Rate* Overhead Rate
Subtotal	\$6.00	=	Material Cost + Labor Cost + Direct Overhead

Expendable Tooling	\$0.11	=	Expendable Tooling Cost
Set-up costs	\$0.27	=	Set-upTime * LaborRate / (AnnualVolume * NumberOfParts / BatchesPerY
Additional Direct Costs	<u>\$0.00</u>	=	Additional Direct Costs (none)
Other Direct Costs	\$0.38	=	Expendable Tooling + Set-up Costs + Additional Direct Costs

Piece Part Cost \$6.38 = Material Cost + Labor Cost + Direct Overhead + Other Direct Costs

Direct Fixed Costs:

AmortizationVolume =
AnnualProductionVolume*NumberOfParts*ProductLife = 5,000

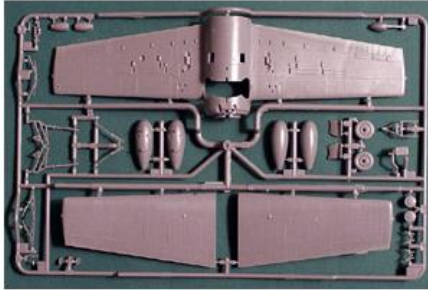
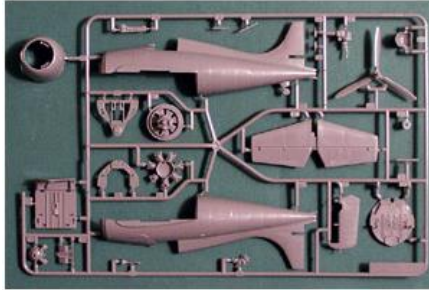
Direct Fixed Costs:

Hard Tooling	\$3.00	=	CapitalTooling / (AmortizationVolume)
Fixtures and Jigs	\$0.00	=	CapitalFixtures&Jigs / (AmortizationVolume)
Programming Cost	<u>\$0.03</u>	=	ProgrammingTime * LaborRate / (AmortizationVolume)
Amortized Investment	\$3.03	=	Hard Tooling + Fixture and Jigs + Programming Cost

Total Cost \$9.42 = Piece Part Cost + Amortized Investment

Plastic Molding

Injection Molding: Standard IM, Structural Foam Molding.
Reaction Injection Molding (RIM)



KEY COST DRIVERS

- *Wall Thickness (typical: 1- 2mm)*
- *Undercuts - side Actions in the mold*
- *Number of cavities in the mold*

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Presto 02910 Salad Shooter Electric Slicer/Shredder

by Presto

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Amazon's Choice for "salad shooter electric"

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Package Quantity: 1

Size: NULL

- Presto 02910 Salad Shooter
- One ingredient after another can be added without cleaning in between
- Shoots food right into a salad bowl, onto a pizza, or into soup
- Interchangeable slicing and shredding cones easily attach
- The product is from China. Wattage Output: 125 watts
- The fast and convenient way to slice or shred vegetables, fruits, and cheese for delicious salads, soups, pizzas, tacos, desserts and more.
- Grate chocolate, chop nuts, and make bread and cracker crumbs quickly and easily. Shoot ingredients right where you want, with no extra bowls to clean!

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COMPANY NEWS

COMPANY NEWS; PRESTO IS AWARDED \$2.35 MILLION IN PATENT LAWSUIT

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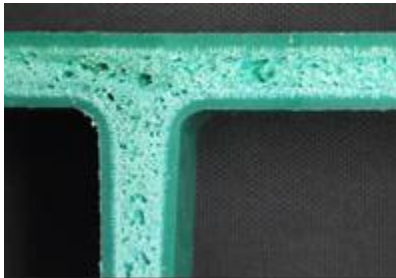
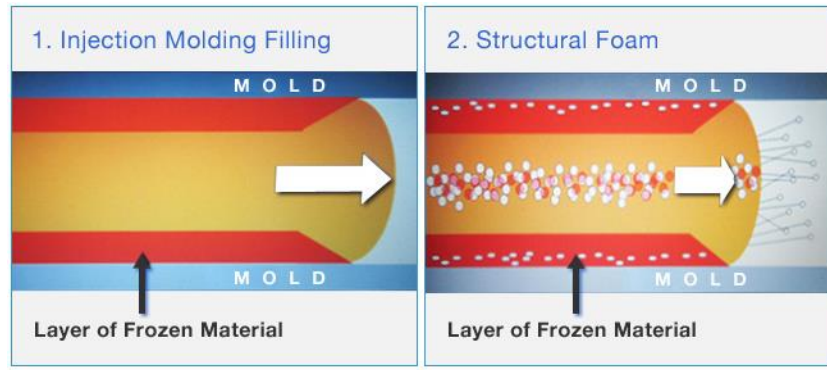
June 9, 1992



A Federal jury in Chicago has ordered the Black & Decker Corporation to pay \$2.35 million to National Presto Industries for infringing Presto's Salad Shooter patent. Presto, based in Eau Claire, Wis., filed the lawsuit in 1989, contending that Black & Decker's Handy Slice 'N' Shred infringed the patent for Salad Shooter, an electric slicer and shredder, which is one of Presto's most popular products. In March, the jury said that Black & Decker infringed the patent, that Black & Decker's patent was invalid and that Presto was entitled to \$2.35 million. Presto did not announce the award until Friday, after several Black & Decker motions were denied. A spokesman for Black & Decker, based in Towson, Md., said the company planned to appeal the ruling.

Structural Foam Molding

Thick parts => ¼ inch (6mm)



Blow Molding and Rotational Molding



Blow molding

Bottles and small disposable containers

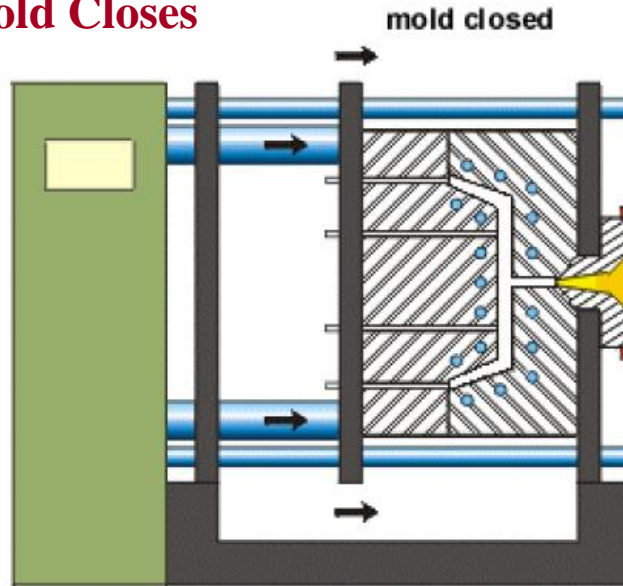


Rotational molding

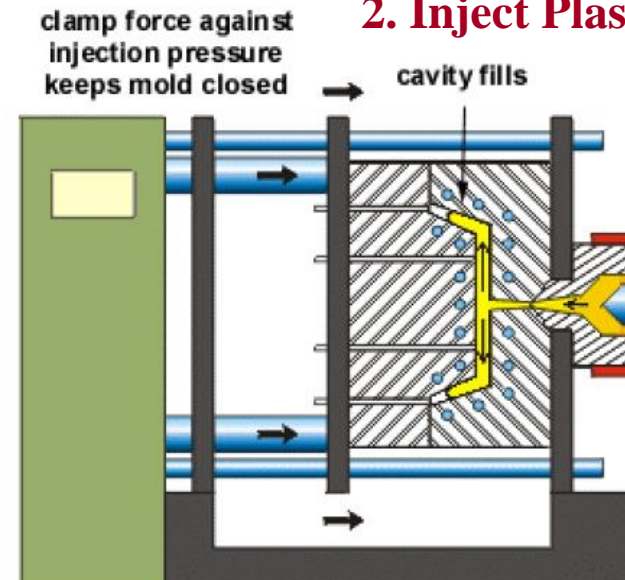
larger hollow shapes.

Injection Molding

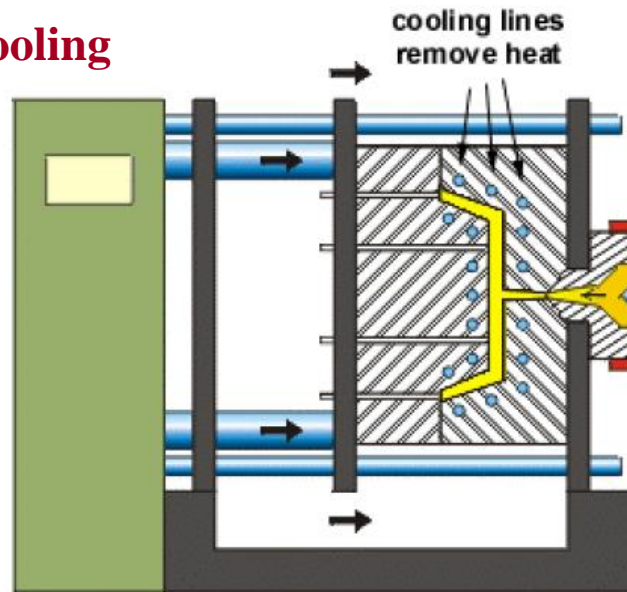
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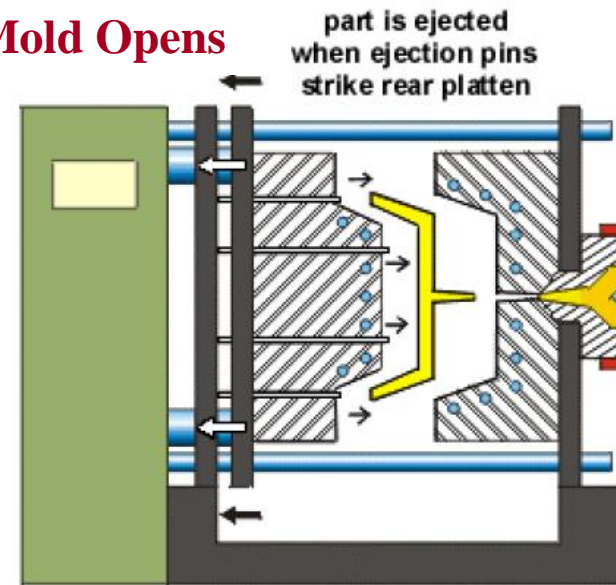
2. Inject Plastic



3. Cooling

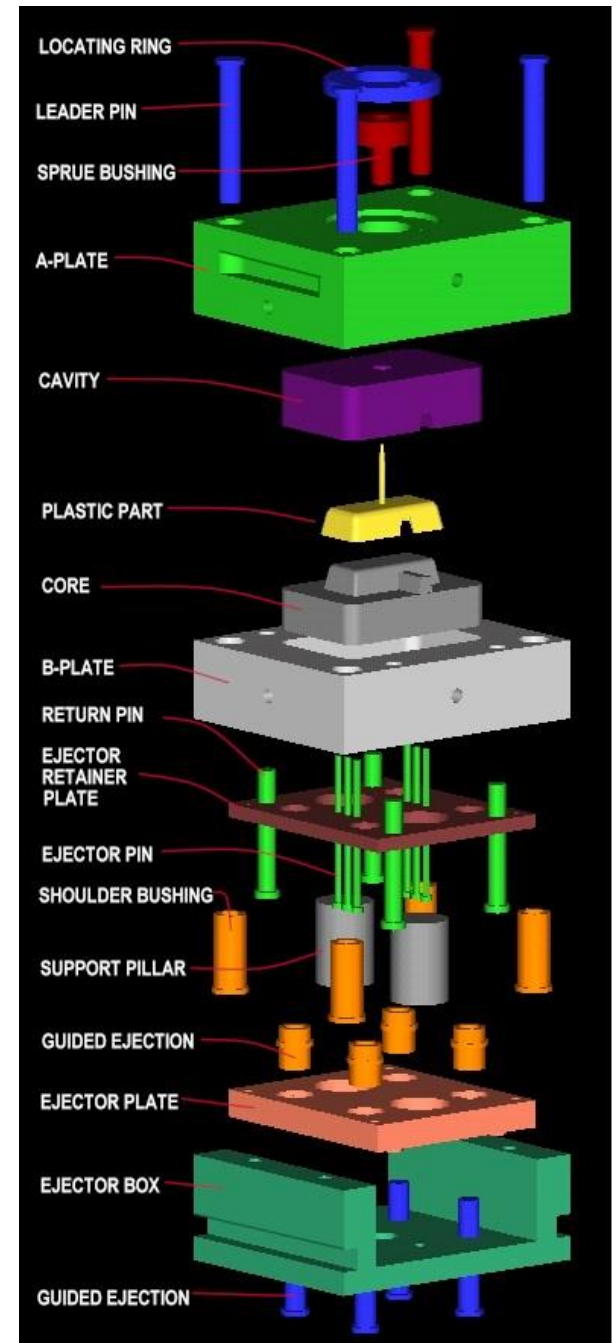
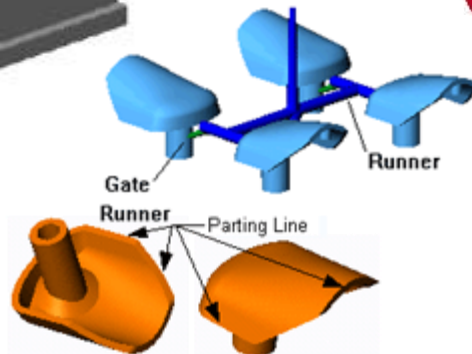
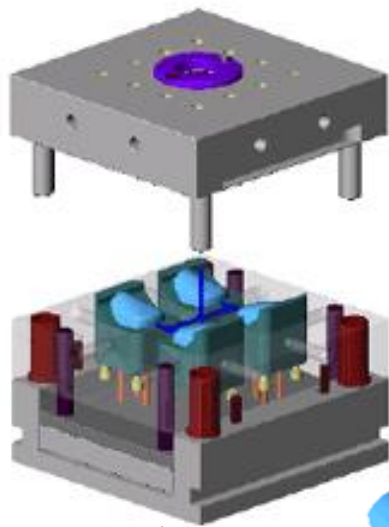


4. Mold Opens

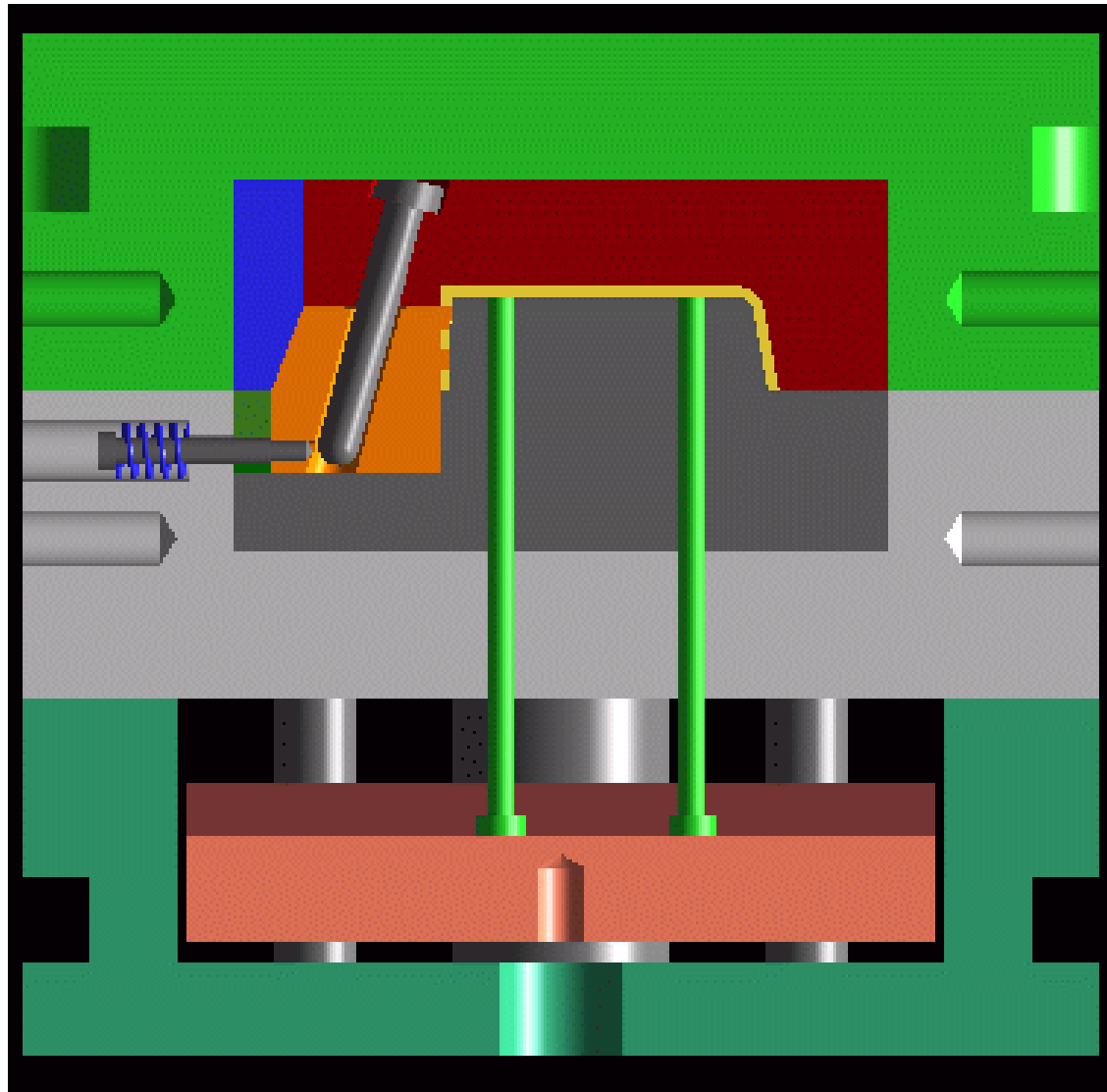


Labor Cost = (Mold Close time + Injection Time + Cooling Time + Mold Open time) * \$/hr rate

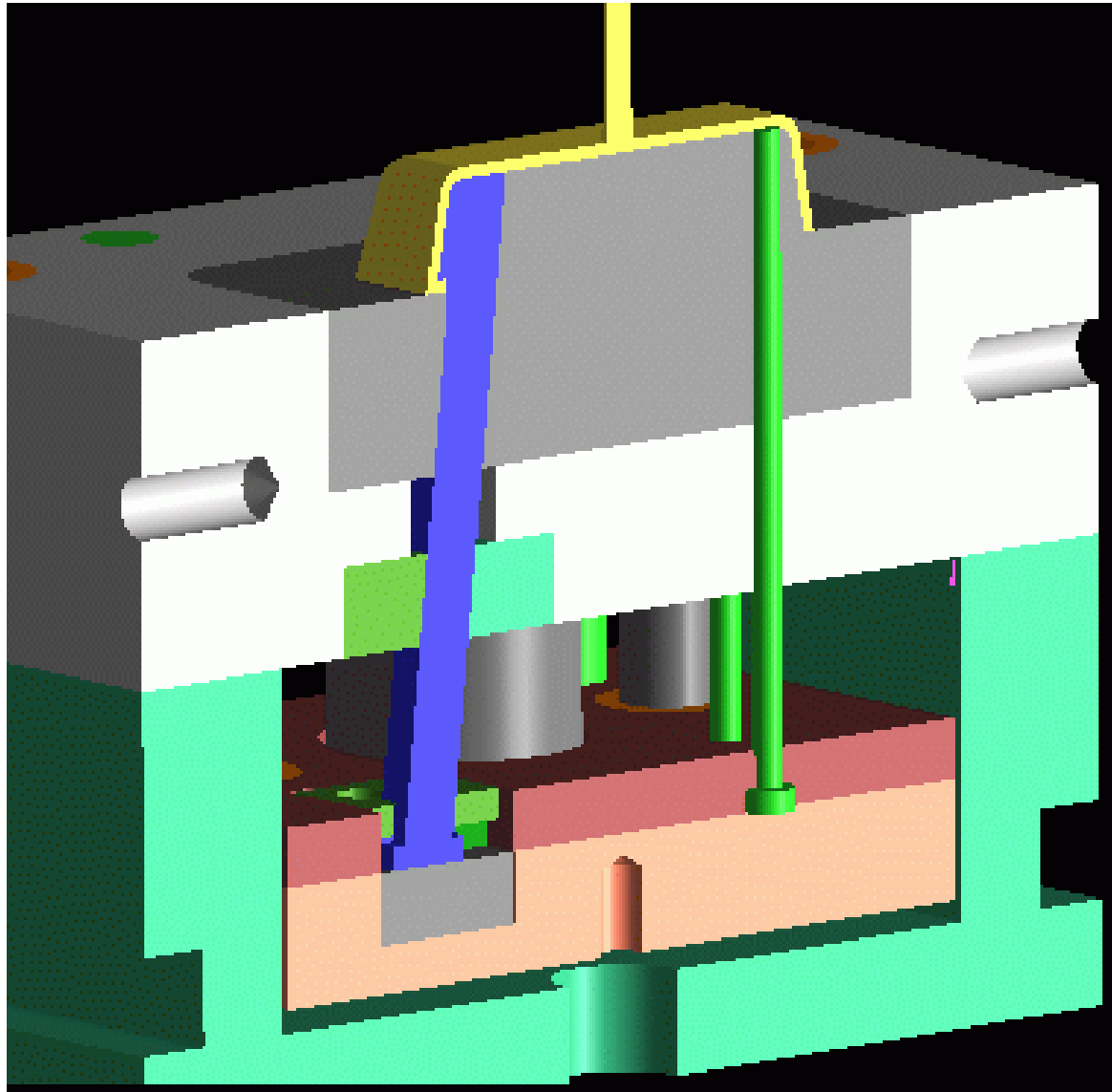
The Mold (Tooling)



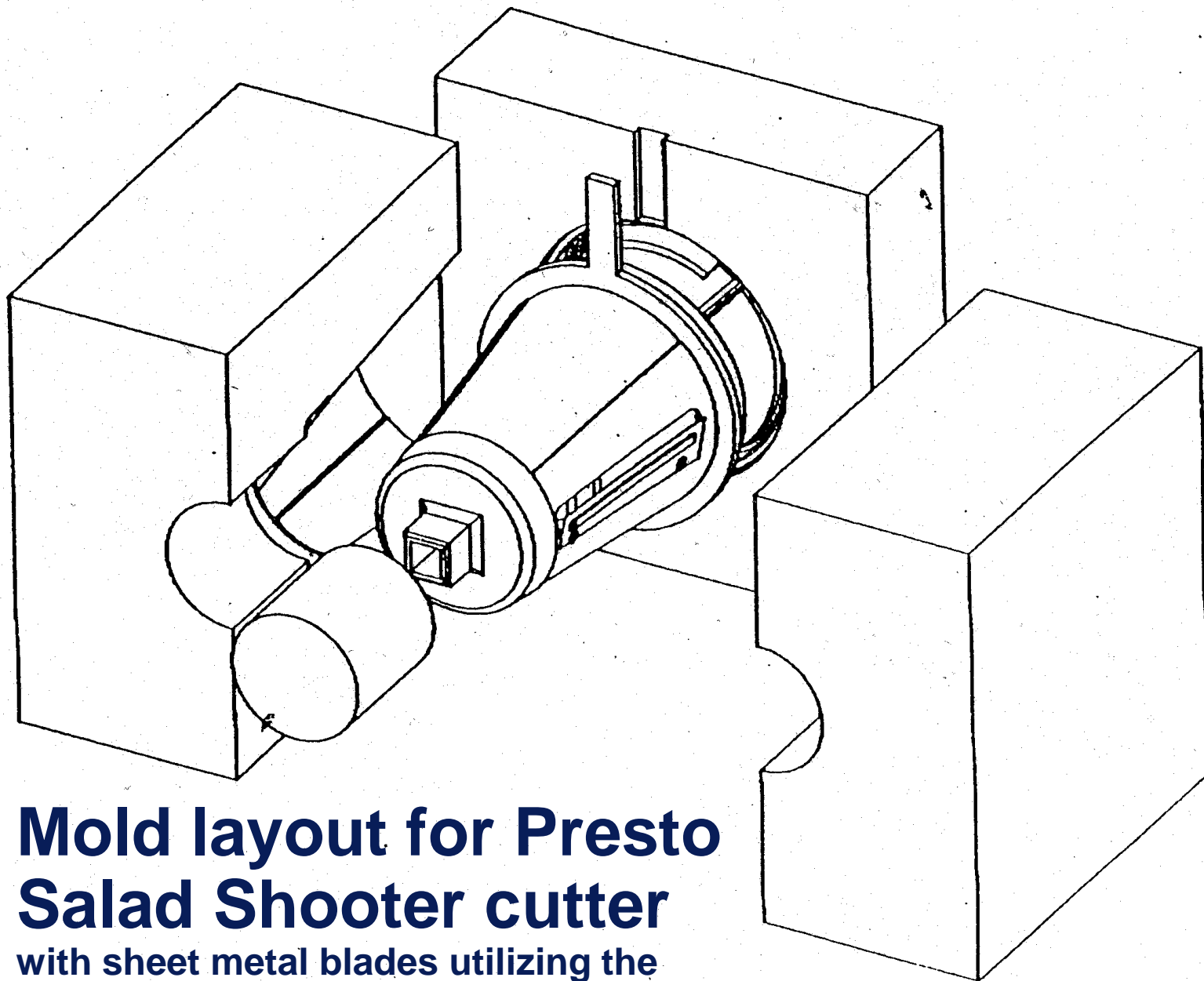
Tooling Cost = Cost to design and build this mold tool



Moving Side Cores or 'Slides'



Moving Internal Cores or 'Lifters'

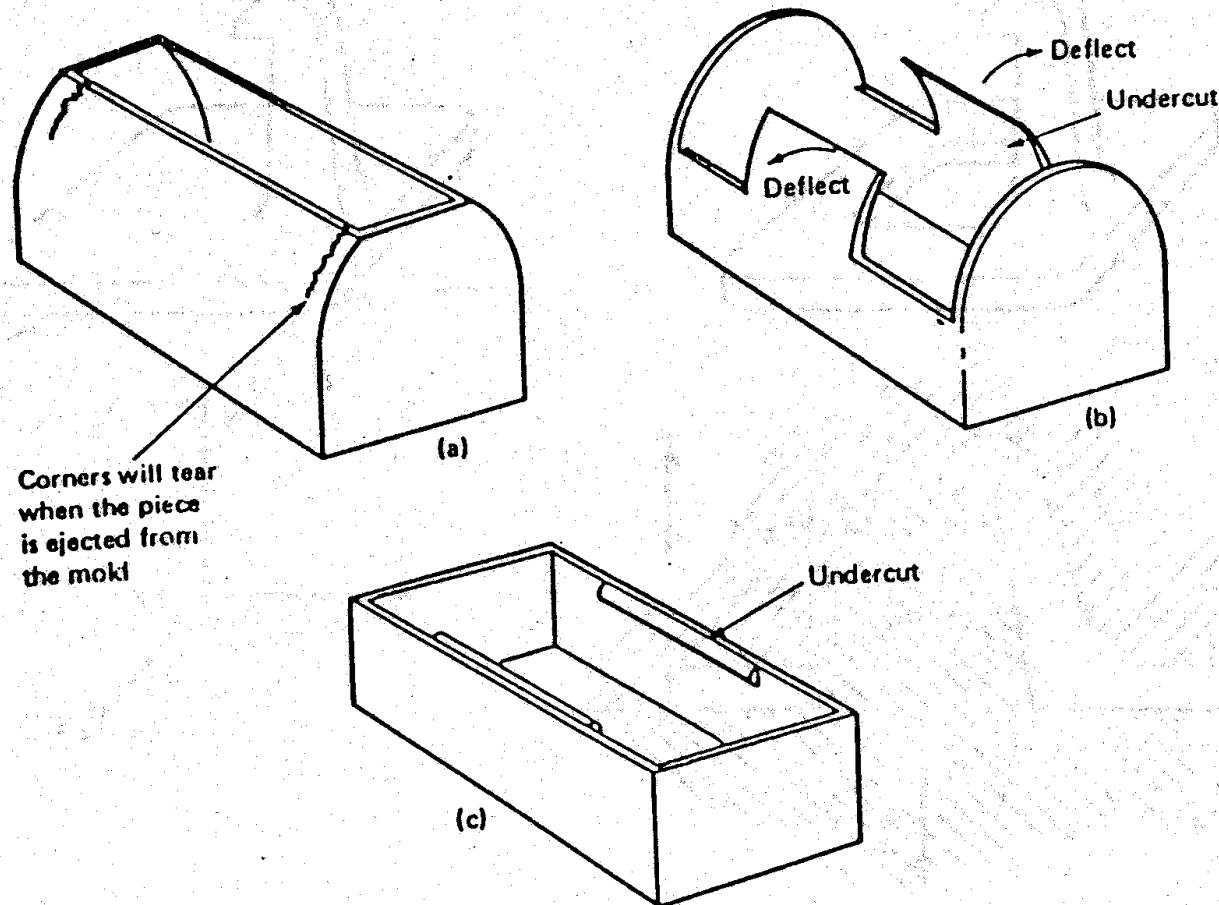


Mold layout for Presto Salad Shooter cutter

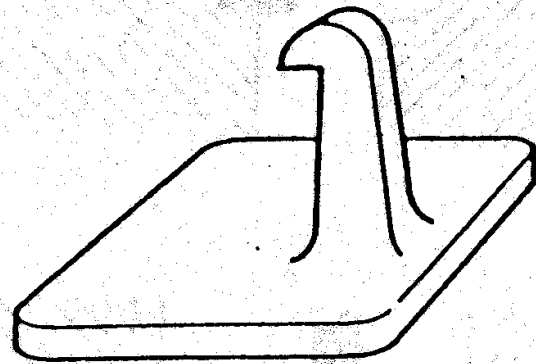
**with sheet metal blades utilizing the
“Insert Molding” process**

Avoiding Moving Side Cores and Lifters

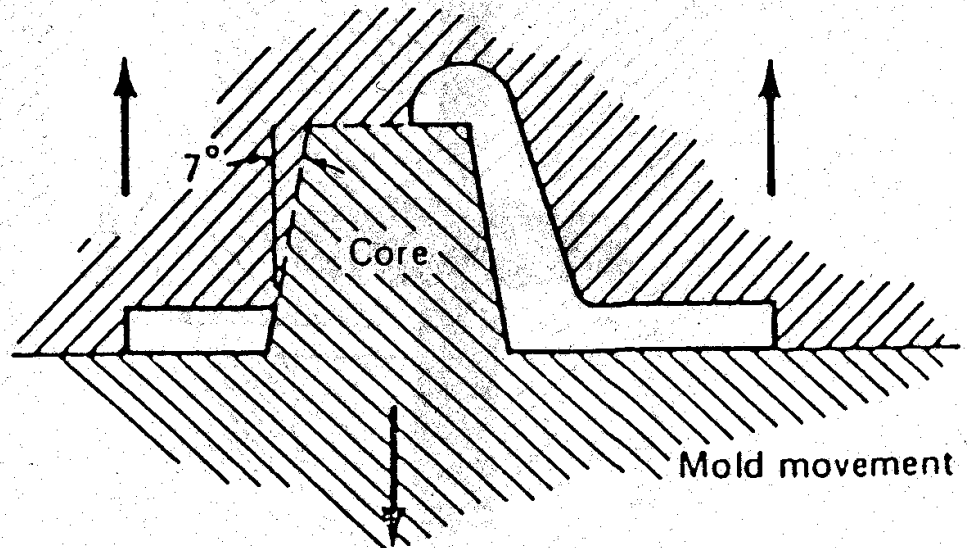
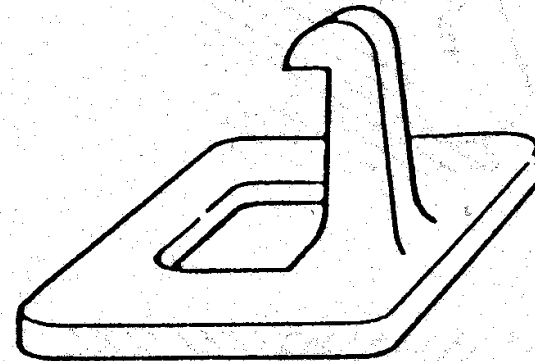
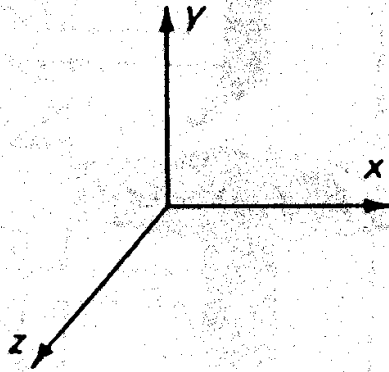
(1) – allow feature to deflect as part is ejected from the mold



Avoiding Moving Side Cores and Lifters (2) – provide relief hole for core



Flat surface
uniform in
thickness



Off-the Shelf Screw-on Hinges v. Molded-in hinges

Off-the-shelf screw-on hinges are rarely an economic in consumer products as not economic; too many parts. Long assembly times screwing fasteners in etc.



Molded-in hinges, snap fits, living hinges...more cost effective

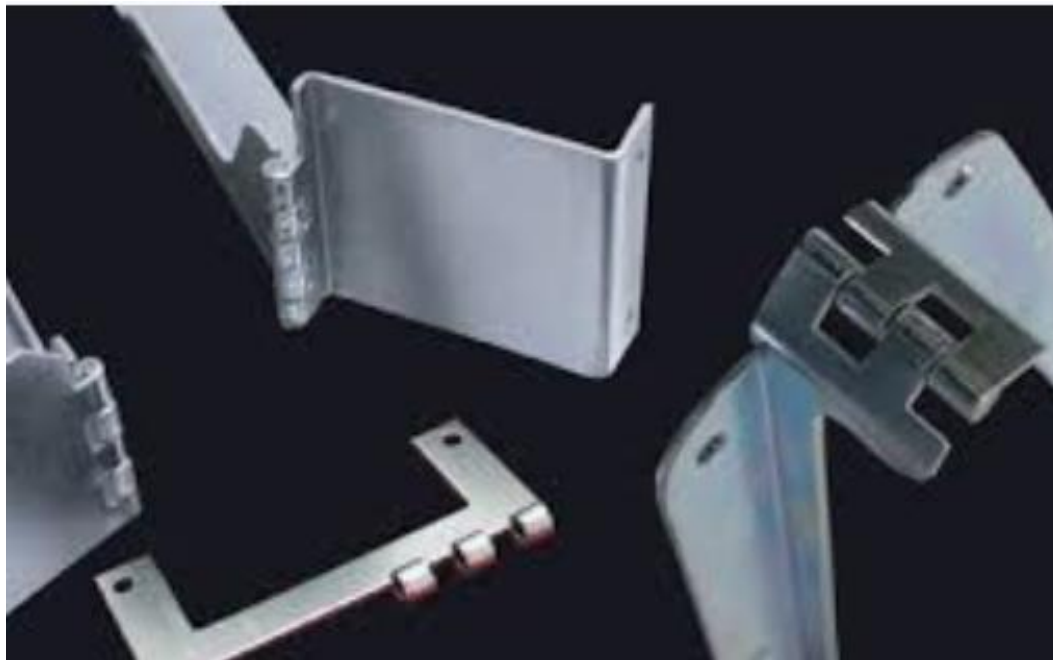
Molded-in Hinges

and Flexible Straps



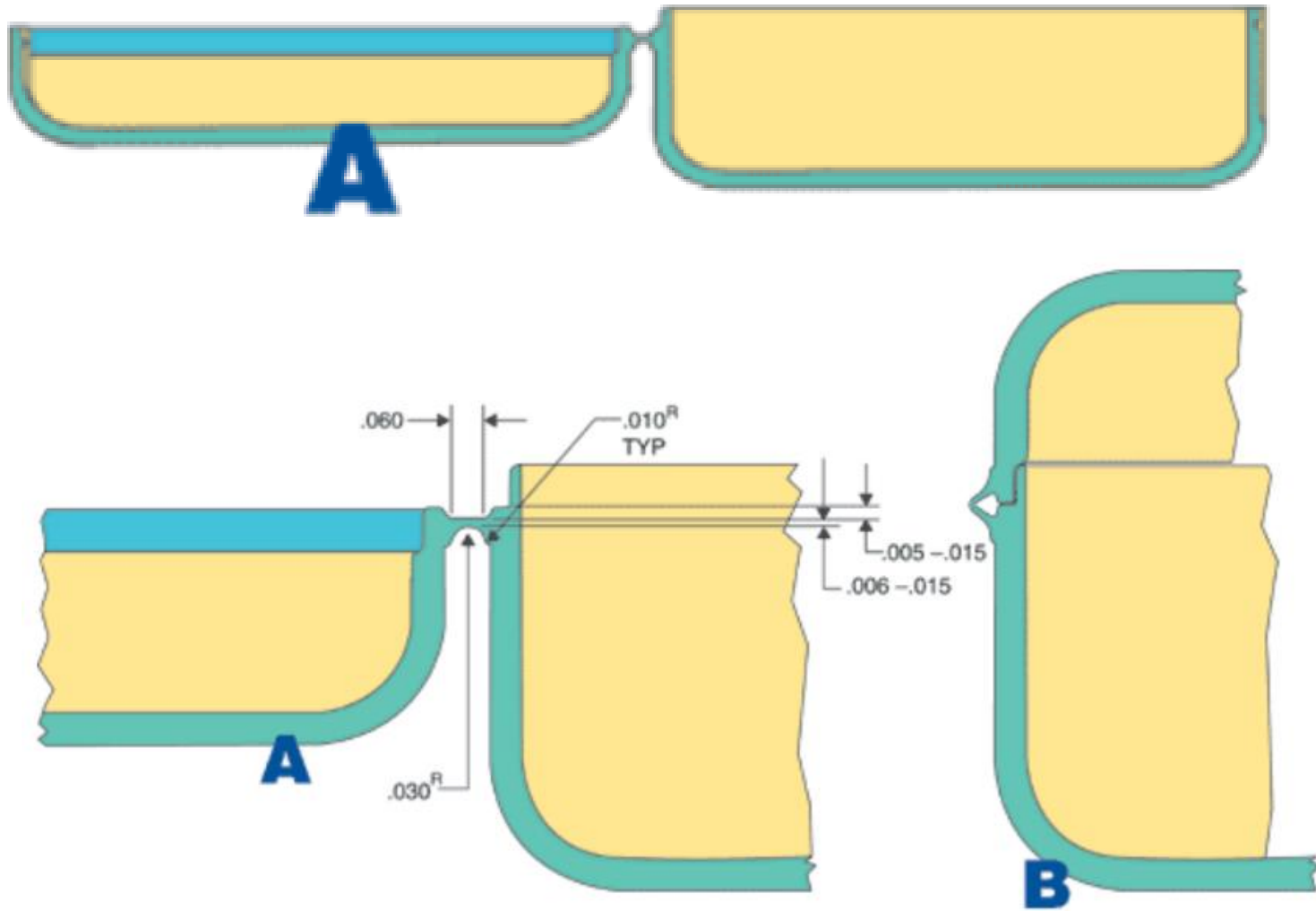
Integral Hinges – not just in plastics!

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Living Hinges

Single mold rather than two....limited to polypropylene for durable hinge life



<https://www.plasticstoday.com/materials/design-polypropylene-part-design-part-2-living-hinges/2085268932270>

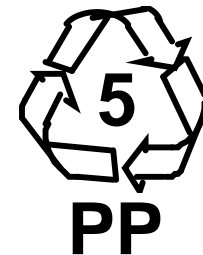
Common Thermoplastic Materials (1)

Polyethylene - HDPE & LDPE (1.2¢/cu. in)

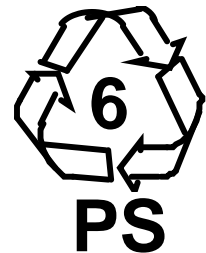
Lightweight, easy to process, low cost material. Poor dimensional stability and heat resistance. Excellent chemical resistance and electrical properties.










Polypropylene (1.5¢/cu. in): Outstanding resistance to flex and stress cracking. Excellent chemical resistance and electrical properties., Good impact strength above 15⁰F. Good thermal stability, light weight, low cost. Some grades can be electroplated.



Polystyrene (1.7¢/cu. in): Low cost, easy to process, rigid, crystal-clear, brittle. Low moisture absorption, and heat resistance. Poor outdoor stability.



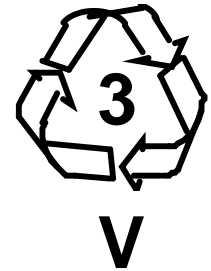
Resin Plastic Recycling Codes

Resin Code	Technical Name	Typical Uses
 1 PETE	PETE, Polyethylene Terephthalate	soft drink bottles, deli trays, Mylar film, clear shampoo bottles, mouthwash bottles.
 2 HDPE	HDPE, High-Density Polyethylene	Tupperware, milk jugs, dishwashing detergent containers, juice containers, opaque shampoo bottles, oven cleaner bottles, insecticide bottles, yogurt containers
 3 V	PVC, Polyvinyl Chloride	plumbing pipes, construction materials, vinyl records, opaque shampoo bottles,
 4 LDPE	LDPE, Low-Density Polyethylene	grocery bags, dry cleaning bags, aquarium tubing.
 5 PP	PP, Polypropylene	appliance parts, Tic Tac hinge lids, drinking glasses, mustard squeeze bottles, margarine containers, pudding containers
 6 PS	PS, Polystyrene	styrofoam cups.
 7 OTHER	Other plastics, including acrylic, polycarbonate, nylon, Kevlar, fiberglass.	compact discs, DVDs.

Common Thermoplastic Materials (2)

PVC (2.2¢/cu. in):

Rigid grades are hard, tough, and have excellent electrical properties, outdoor stability, and resistance to moisture and chemicals. Flexible grades are easier to process but have lower properties. Heat resistance is low, and low cost.



ABS (2.9¢/in³): Very Tough, hard, and rigid. Fair Chemical resistance. Low Water absorption and good dimensional stability. High abrasion resistance. Some grades are easily electroplated.

Acrylic (3.1¢/cu. in) Hard , glossy surface and high optical clarity. Fair Chemical resistance. Excellent resistance to outdoor weathering. Available in brilliant, transparent colors. Excellent electrical properties.

Common Thermoplastic Materials (3)

PETE (4.9¢/cu. in)

Crystal clear and hard. Used widely for shampoo bottles. Good moisture, and chemical resistance. Good dimensional stability.



Acetal (5.8¢/cu. in)

Very Strong, stiff, and low tendency to stress crack. High resistance to chemicals. Retains most properties when immersed in hot water. Exceptional dimensional stability. High abrasion resistance. Low coefficient of Friction.



Polyurethane (6.1¢/cu. in)

Tough, extremely abrasion and impact-resistant. Good electrical properties and chemical resistance. UV exposure causes brittleness, lower properties, and yellowing.

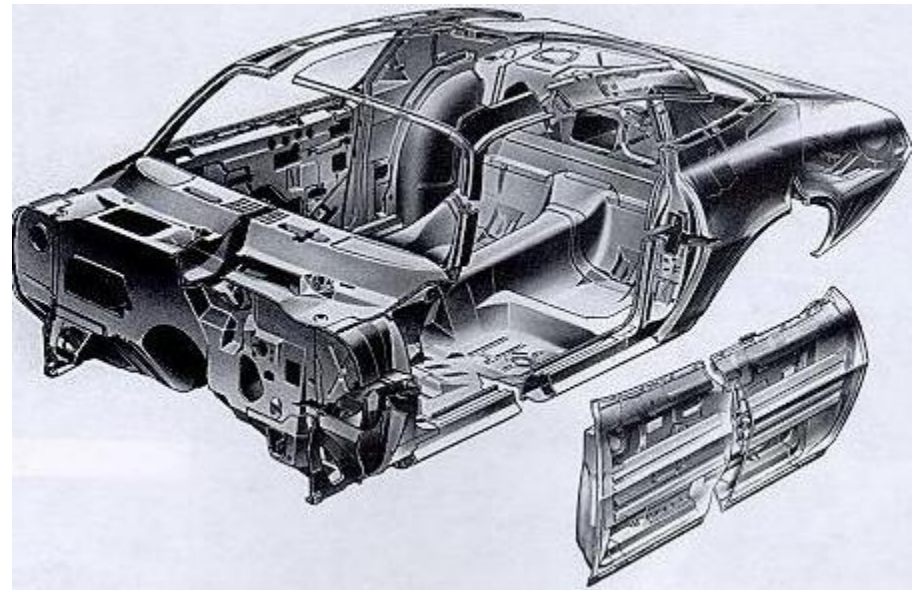
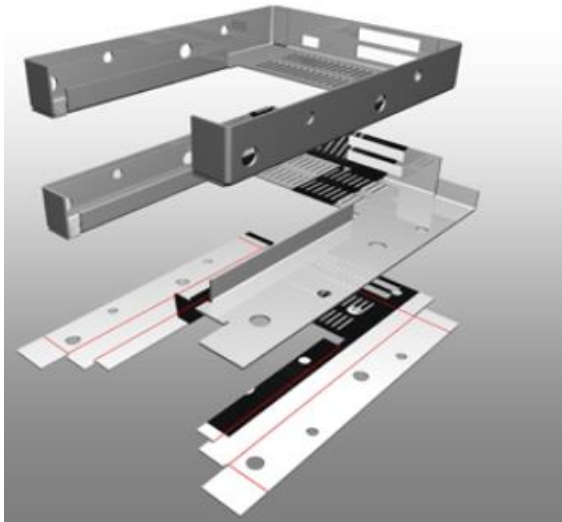
Common Thermoplastic Materials (4)

Nylon (6/6-5.9 ¢/cu. in; 6/12 - 9.0 ¢/cu. in; +glass -16.3¢/cu. in): Family with outstanding toughness and wear resistance. Low Coefficient of Friction. Excellent chemical resistance and electrical properties. Hygroscopic; dimensional stability is poor. Some grades are electroplatable.

Polycarbonate (6.3 ¢/cu. in): Highest impact resistance of any rigid, transparent plastic. Excellent outdoor stability and resistance to creep under load. Fair chemical resistance. Some aromatic solvents cause stress cracking.

Fluoroplastics (30 - 65¢/cu. in): PTFE, FEP, PVDF etc. Family of high cost, low-to-moderate strength. Excellent chemical resistance. Low Friction. Outstanding stability at high temperatures.

Sheet Metal Process Group



Sheet Metal – Common Production Processes

Soft Tooling - general purpose programmable machines with low-cost expendable tooling

Typical Routings: (as in aPriori)

Sheet Stock \Rightarrow Laser cut \Rightarrow [Bend Brake]

Sheet Stock \Rightarrow Plasma cut \Rightarrow [Bend Brake]

Sheet Stock \Rightarrow Water Jet \Rightarrow [Bend Brake]

Sheet Stock \Rightarrow Turret Press \Rightarrow [Bend Brake]

Hard Tooling (aka Stamping) - Processes requiring custom made high-cost molds or die sets

Production Rate ↓	Sheet Stock \Rightarrow	Standard Press	
	Sheet Stock \Rightarrow	Stage Tooling (aka Tandem die)	
	Sheet Stock \Rightarrow	Transfer Press	Large Stampings (eg car Body Panels)
	Coil Stock \Rightarrow	Progressive Die	Small Stampings

Laser Cutting



Bend Brake Process

‘Soft Tooling’ for straight bends – No Custom Tooling (ie no Hard Tooling)



Bend Brake (aka Press Brake)

Turret Press Process

‘Soft Tooling’ for straight bends – No Custom Tooling (ie no Hard Tooling)



Turret Press

Bend Brake – safety!



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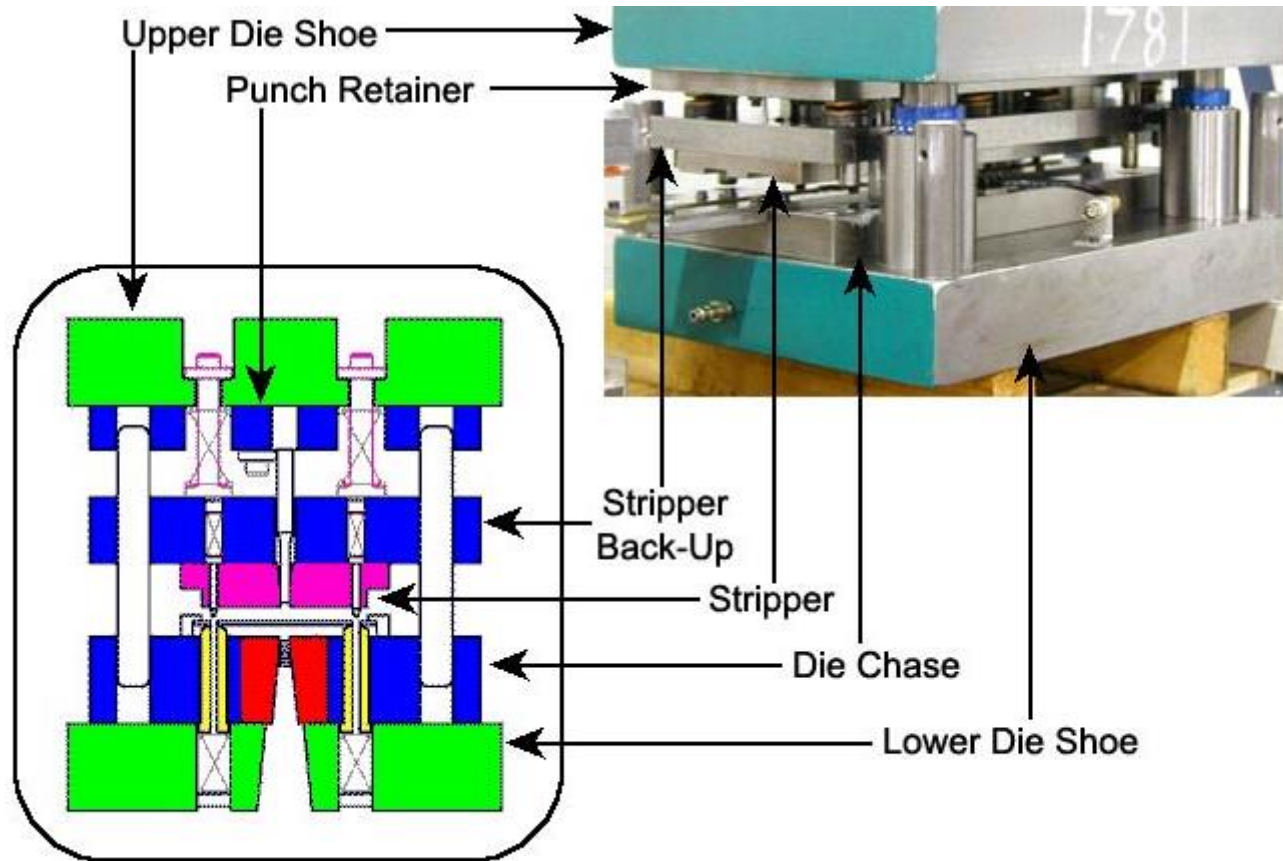
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Progressive Die – coil fed, automatic, high-speed single press with multiple stations; coil strip transfers the part



Sheet Metal - Progressive Die Set



Progressive Die Tool – a tool custom designed and built to produce stamped metal parts at high speed on a Progressive Die Press (a reciprocating press)



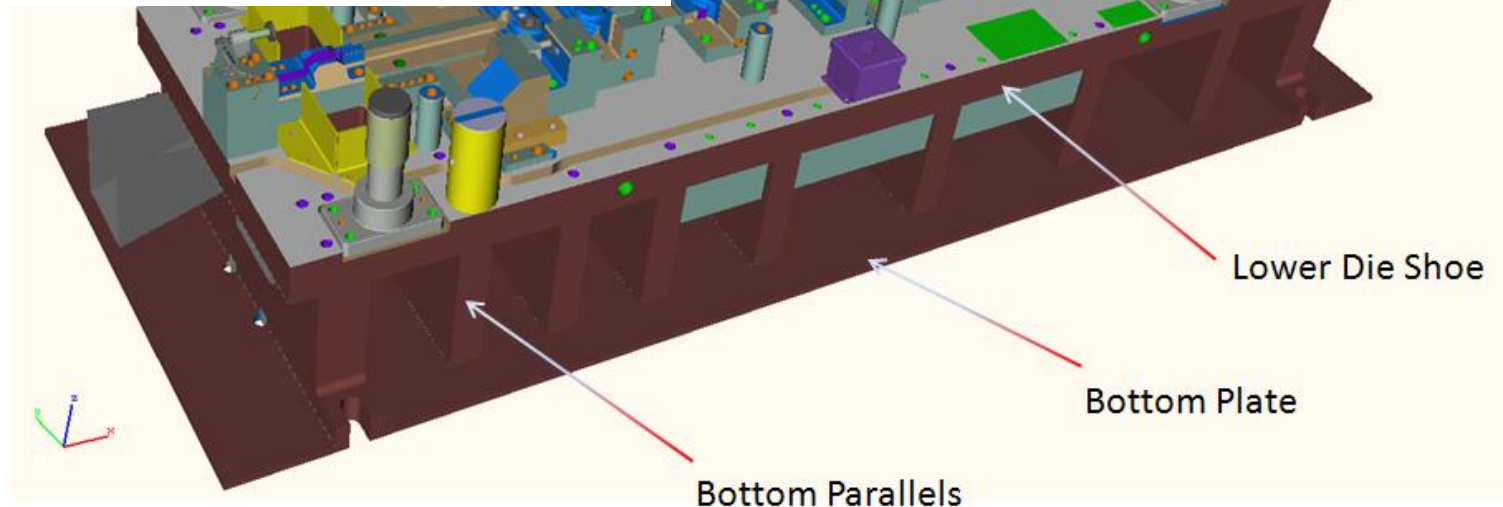
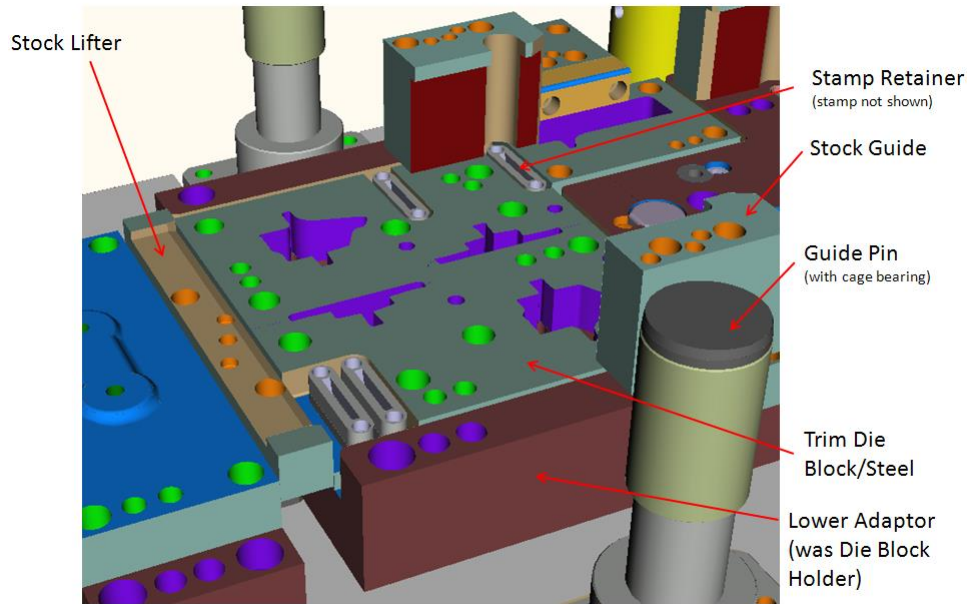
Progressive Die in Operation – 30 ppm



Progressive Die in Operation – 100 ppm

Used for Small High-Volume Stampings

Stamping Die (i.e. Tooling) Example



Standard Press

- manual presses operated in batch mode, typically low-to-medium volume applications



Stage Tooling – manual presses organized in a production line with manual transfer of parts between presses (popular in low labor cost



Manual Transfer inside a Press!



Tandem Die - manual or automatic presses organized in a production line
manual or robotic transfer of parts between presses (often a mix of manual or robotic)



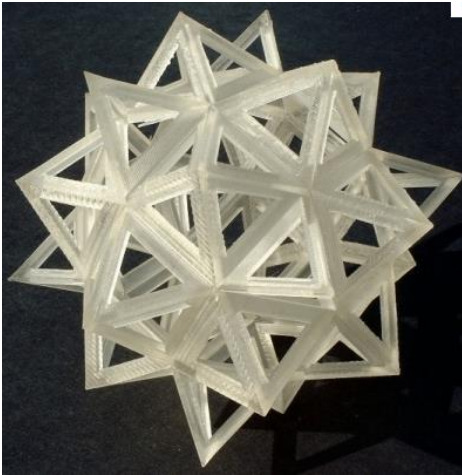
Transfer Press – sheet fed, single press action with multiple dies attached to platen and transfer mechanism





Transfer Press in Operation

Used for Large High-Volume Stampings

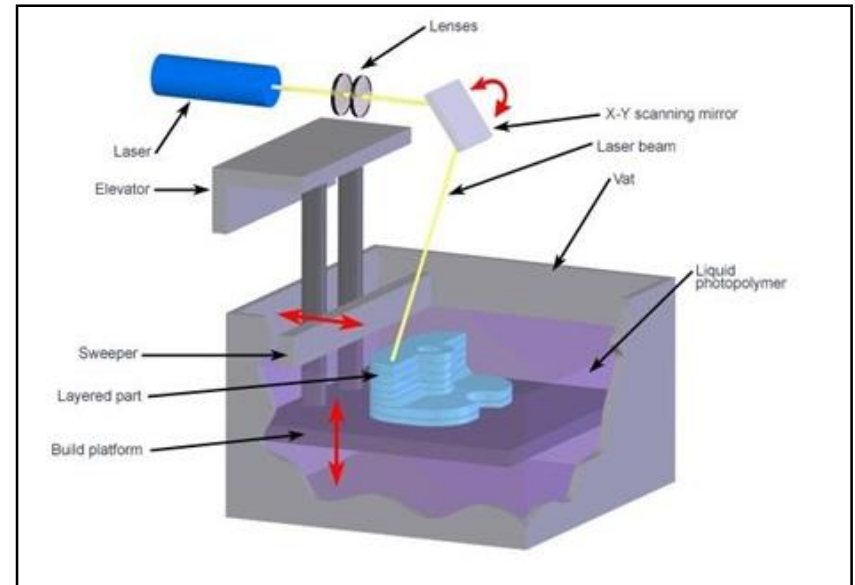


Rapid Prototyping Process Group

SLA

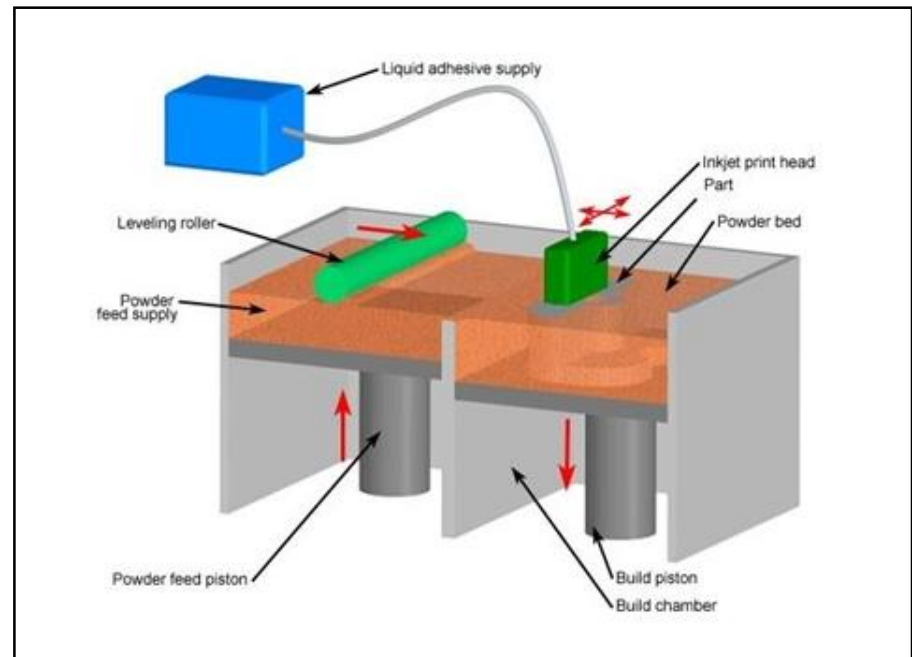
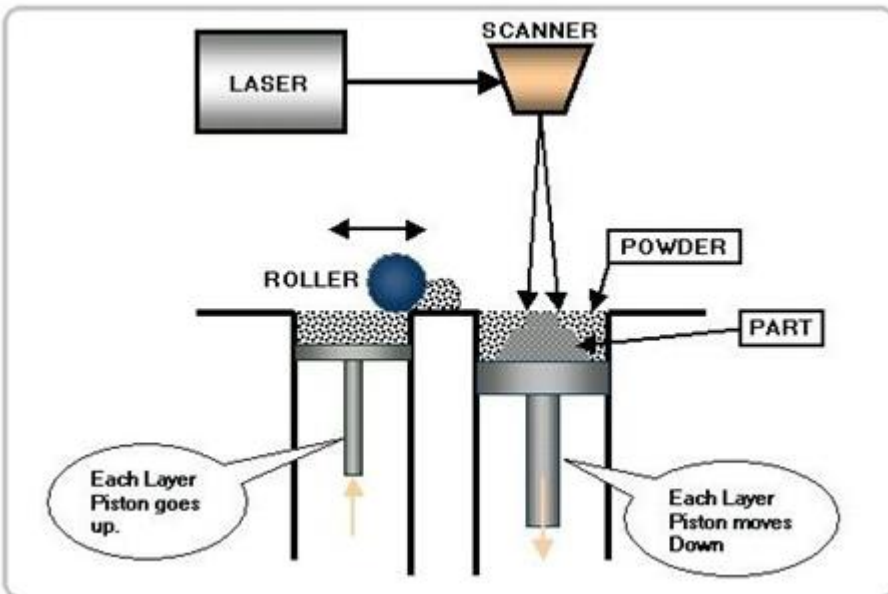
Rapid Prototyping Principles

<http://www.quickparts.com>
MechSE Rapid Prototyping Lab



3D Printing

SLS



Rapid Prototyping Systems

- **StereoLithography (STL)**
- **Selective Laser Sintering (SLS)**
- **Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM)**
- **Polyjet - 3D Printer**
- **Composite 3D printer**
- **Direct Metal Laser Sintering (DMLS) – *on order***
- **Laminated Object Manufacturing**
- **Hot Plot**
- **Solid Ground Curing**
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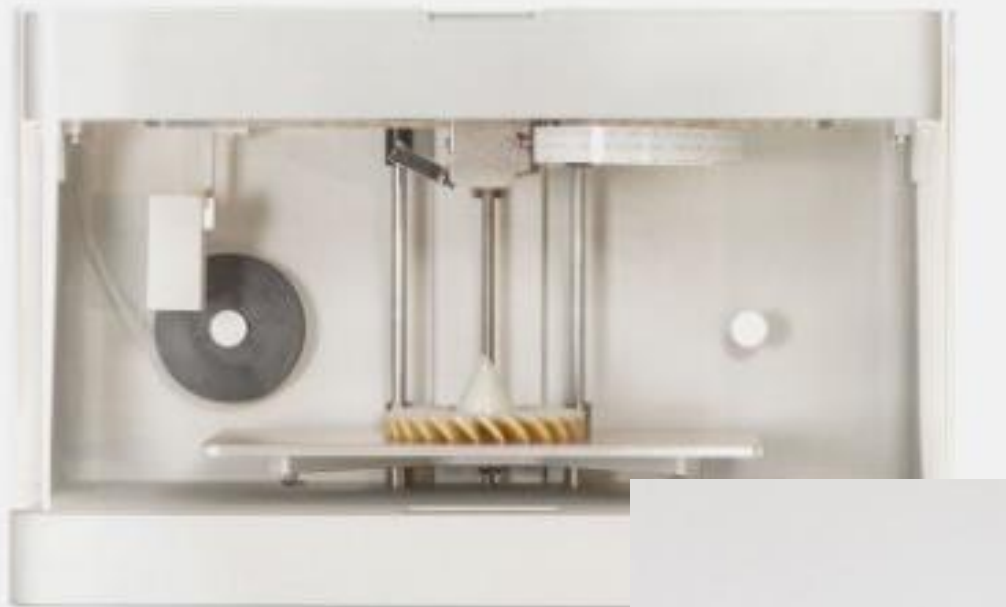
Rapid Prototyping at BMW



Cool video (click on pics)

*Rapid Prototyping
MechSE Ford Lab*





Meet the Mark One: the world's first Carbon Fiber 3D printer ...

Stereo-Lithography Apparatus (SLA)



Polyjet Process



SLS - Sintered Laser System



EOS – Direct Metal Laser Sintering



3D Scanning & FDM – Fused Deposition Modeling



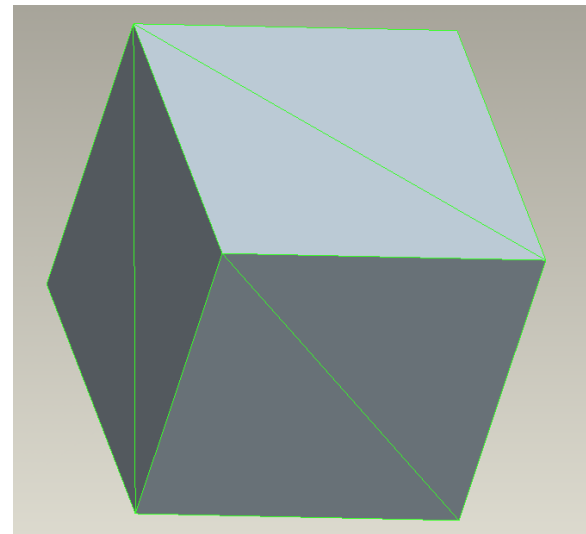
STL Format: B-rep, solid object

- ❖ *An STL file is saved with the extension “.stl,” case-insensitive.*
- ❖ *STL is a triangular facet based representation that approximates surface and solid entities only. Entities such as points, lines, curves, and attributes such as layer and color will be ignored during the output process*
- ❖ *An STL file consists of a list of facet data.*
- ❖ *Each facet is uniquely identified by a unit normal (a line perpendicular to the triangle and with a length of 1.0) and by three vertices (corners).*
- ❖ *The normal and each vertex are specified by three coordinates each, so there is a total of 12 numbers stored for each facet.*

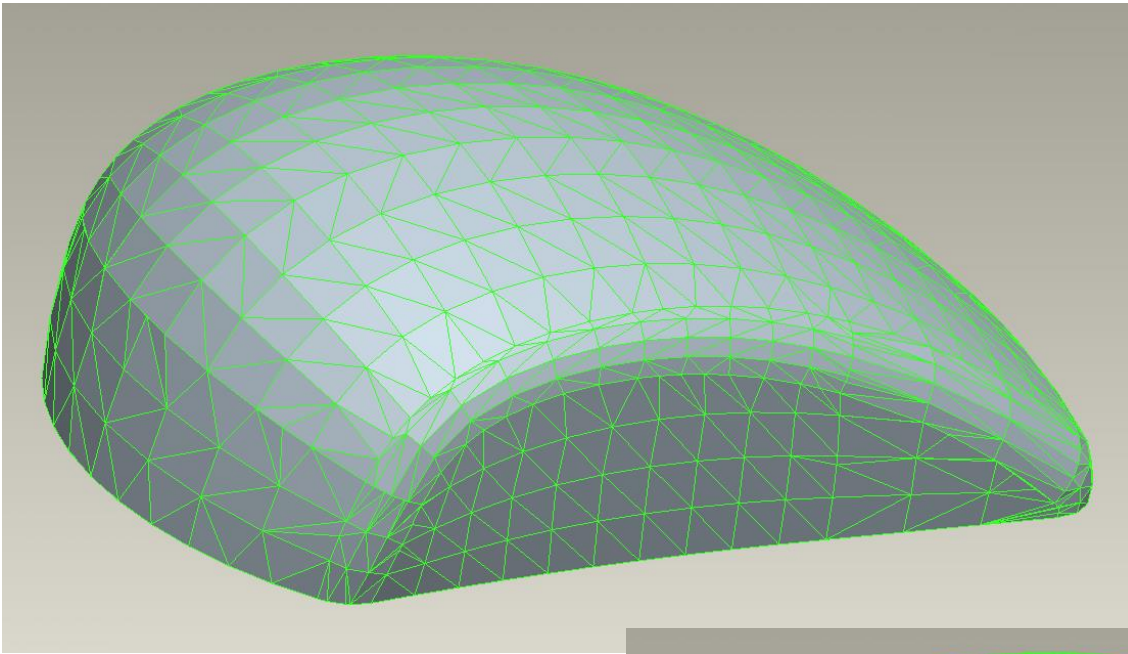
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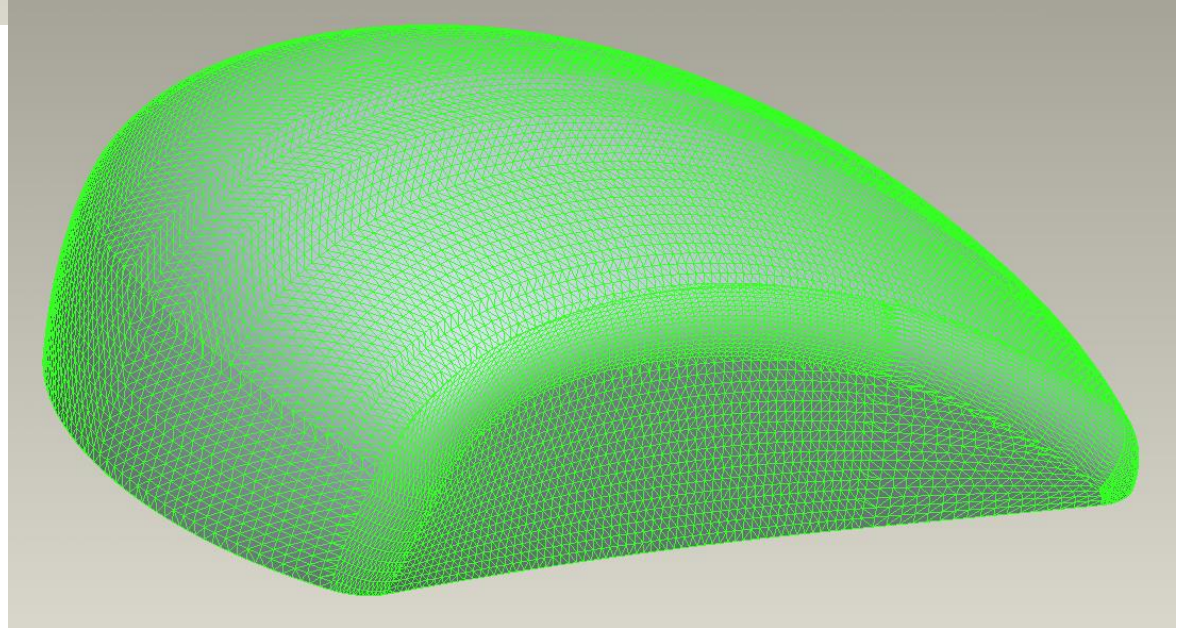


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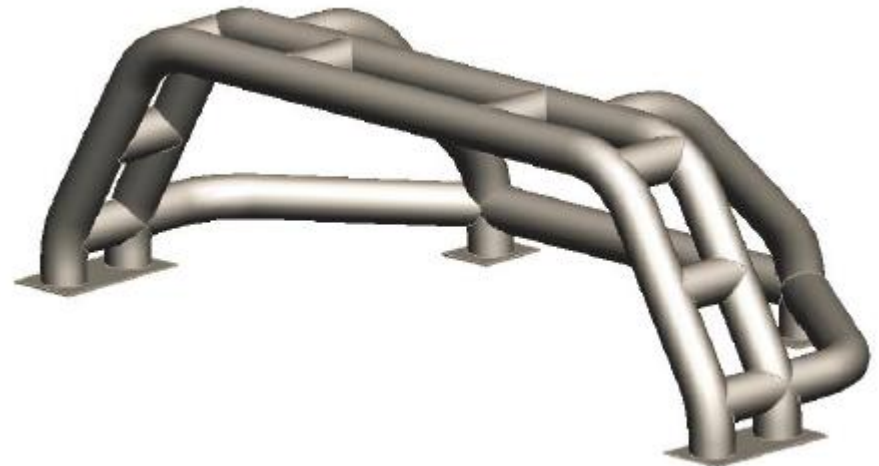


*The density of
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change according
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*And it Changes
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Height affecting
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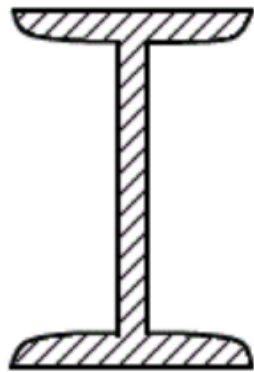


Bar and Tube Process Group

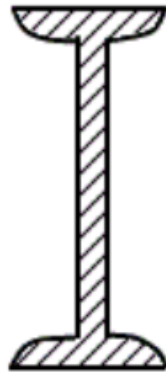


Standard Structural Steel Shapes

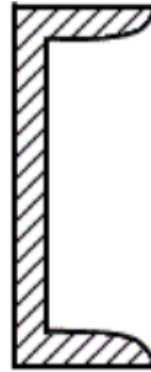
Industry standard forms used in “Bar & Tube” process group



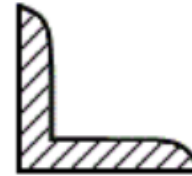
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(a) Wide-flange
Shape



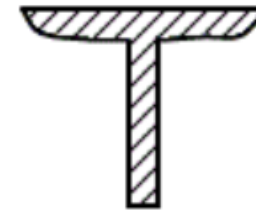
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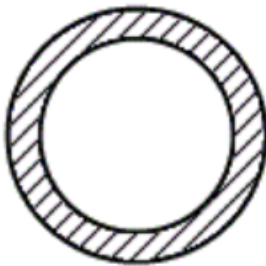
C
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L
(d) Angle



WT or ST
(e) Structural
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(f) Pipe
Section



(g) Structural
tubing



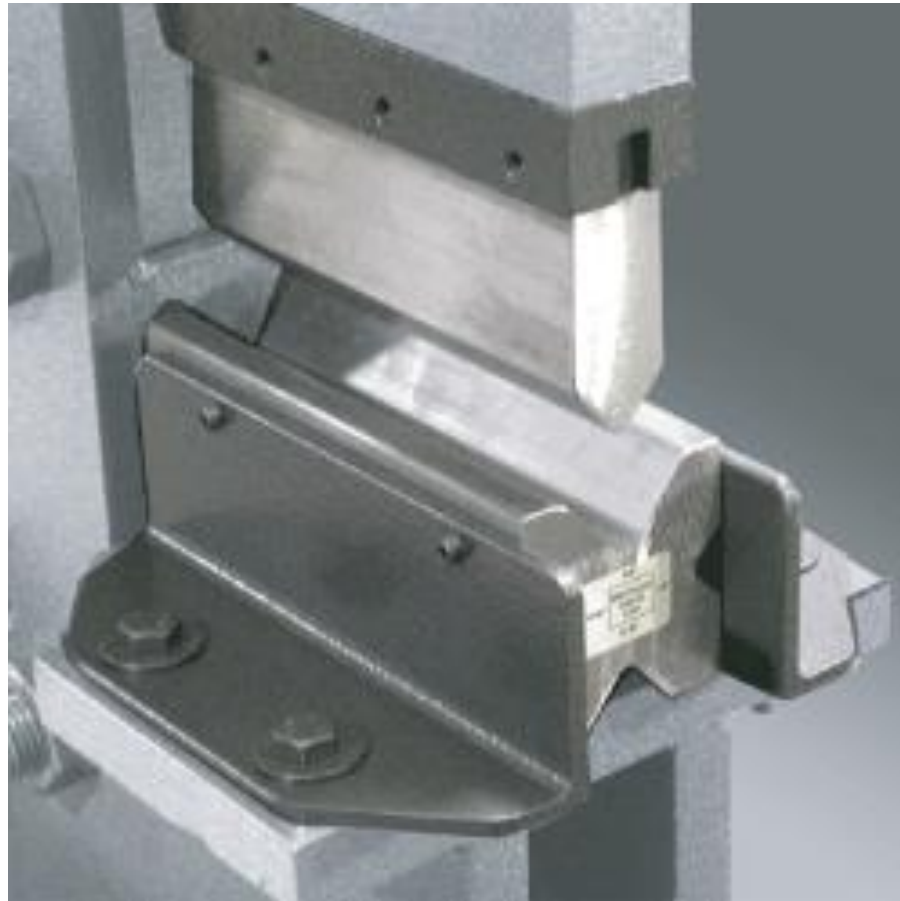
(h) Bars



(i) Plates

Tube/Bar Bending Processes

Bend Brake (aka Press Brake)



Not suitable for Tube, only solid bar forms

Rotary Draw Bending

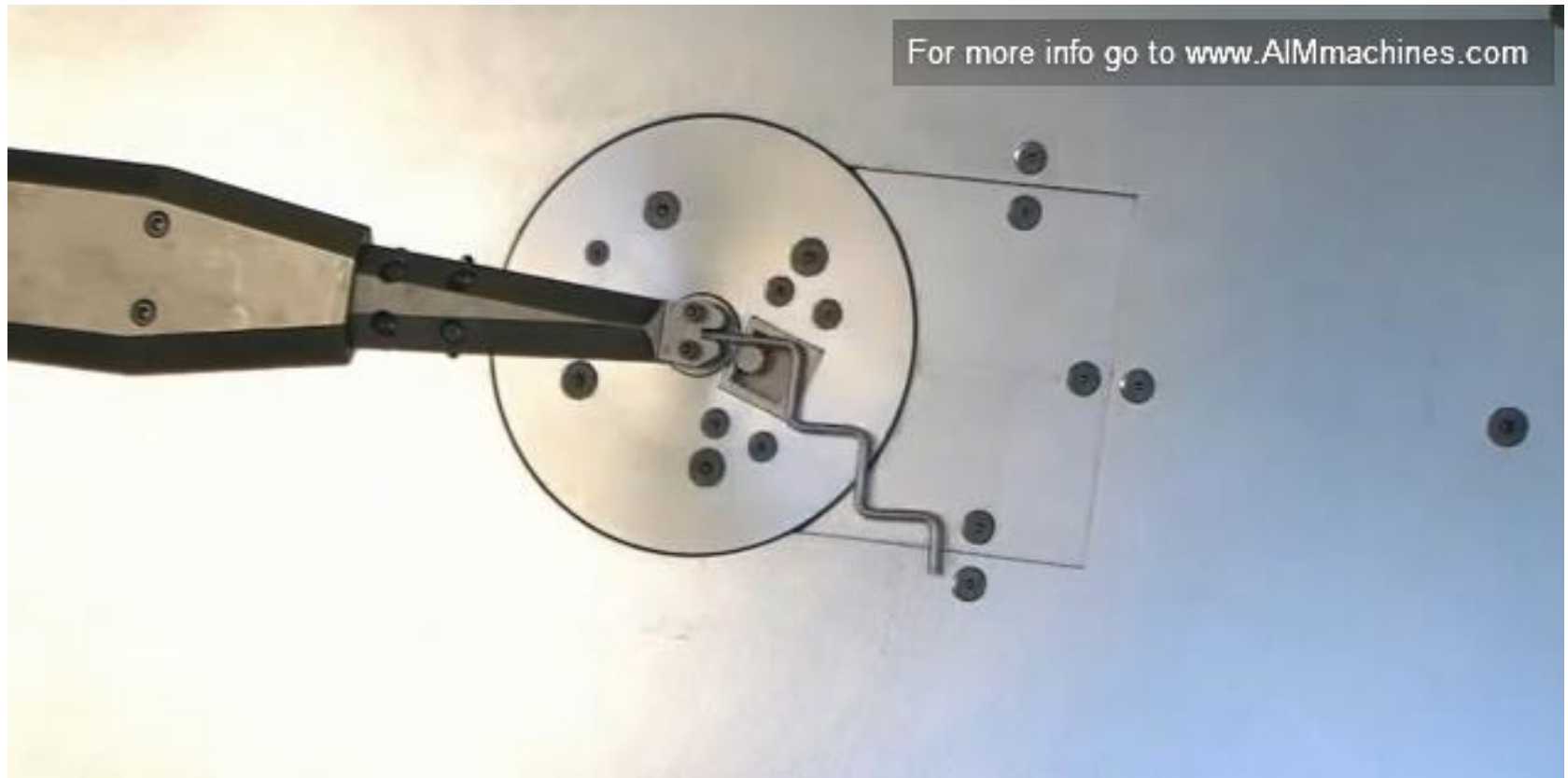


Rotary Draw Bending with Mandrel

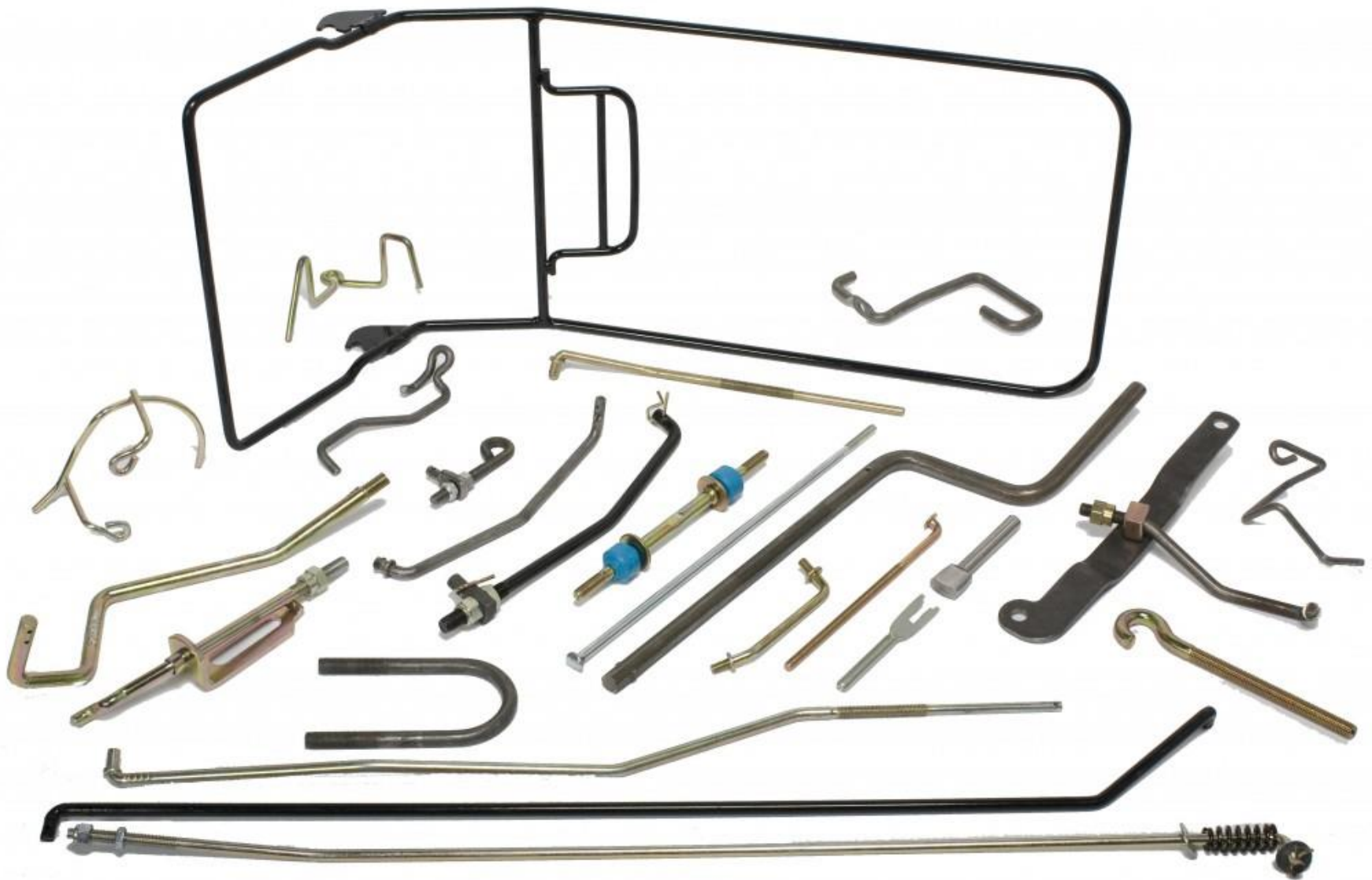


Reduces crushing of inner bend radius

High Speed Wire Forming



Wire Form Examples

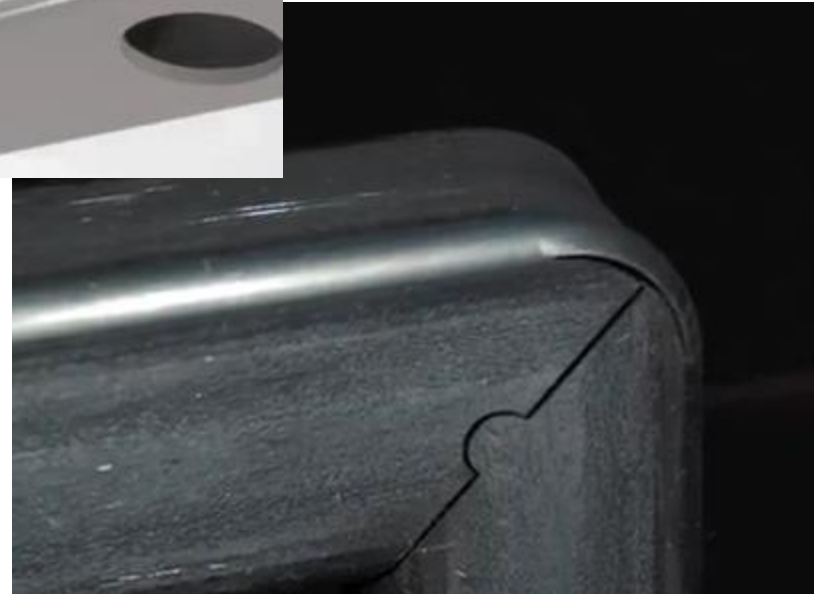


Tube Laser Process



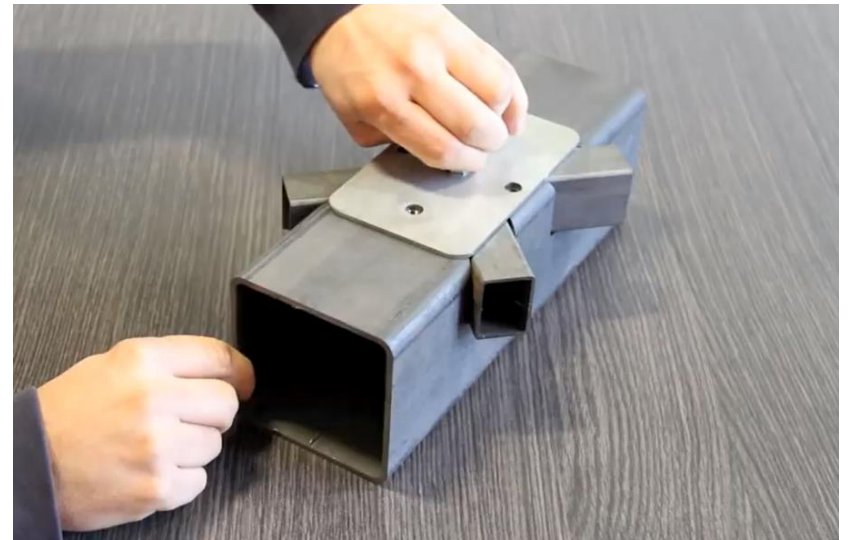
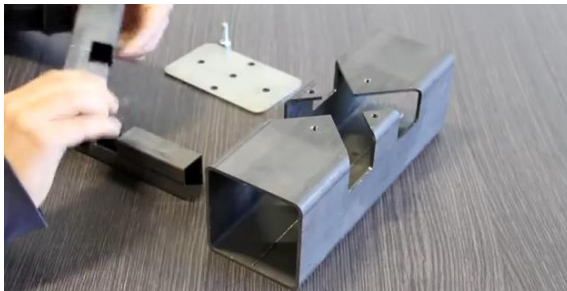
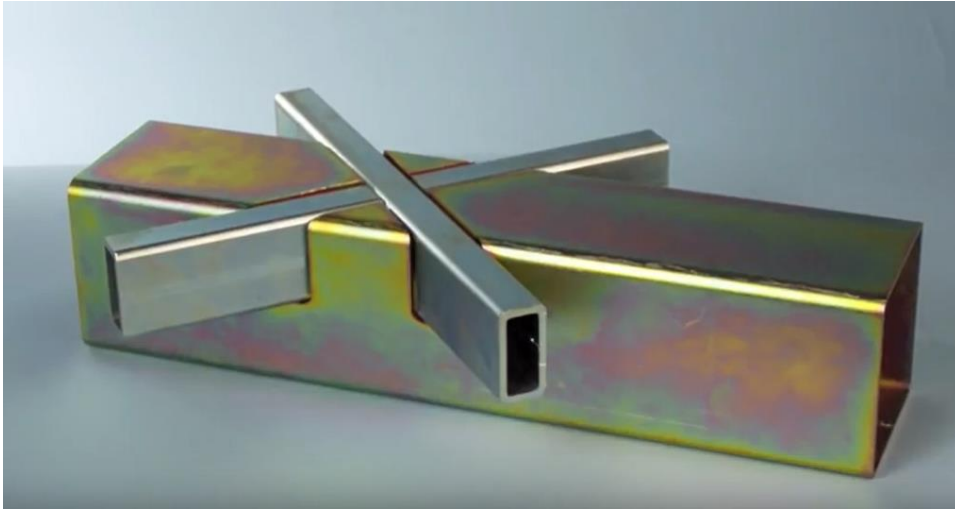
Rectangular/Square Tube

laser cut hand bending



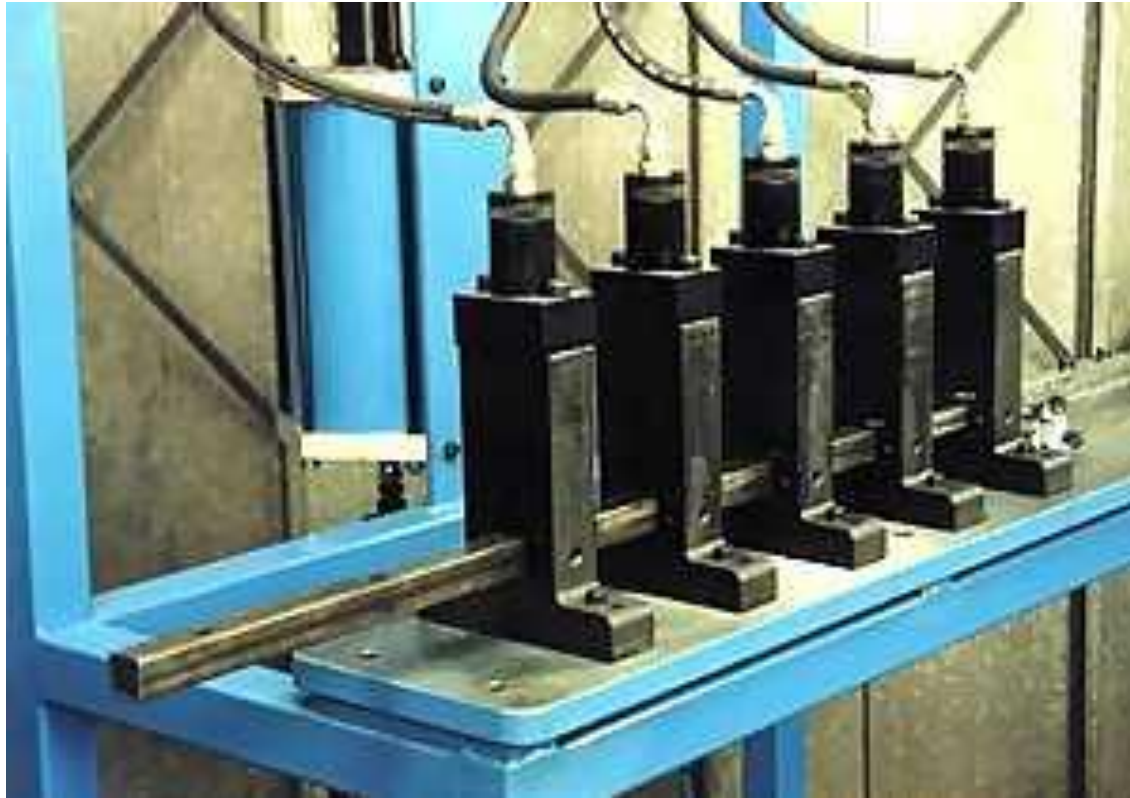
Rectangular/Square Tube

Laser Cut - Creative Weldless Connections



Punching Process

Tube Punching



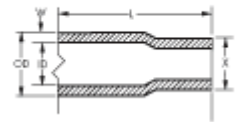
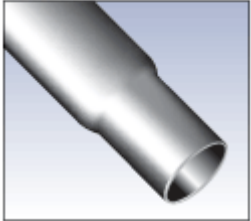
Punching Process

Bar Punching

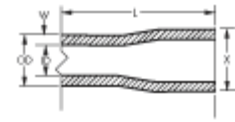
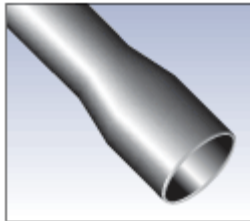


End Forming Processes

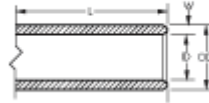
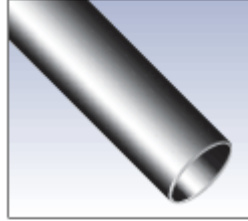
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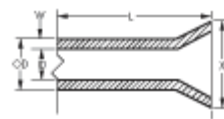
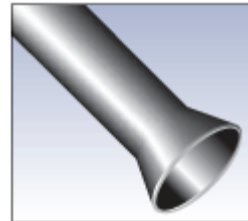
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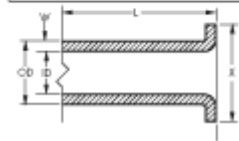
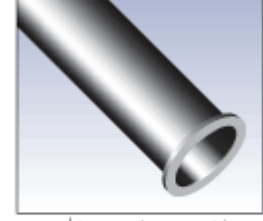
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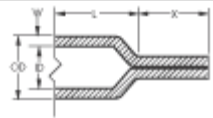
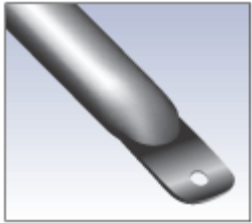
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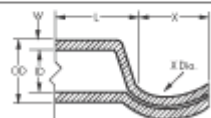
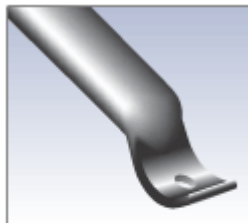
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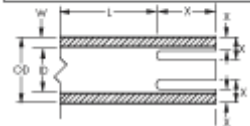
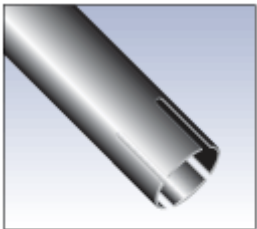
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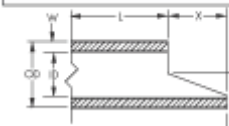
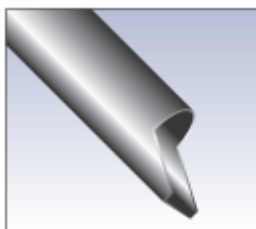
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Slotting



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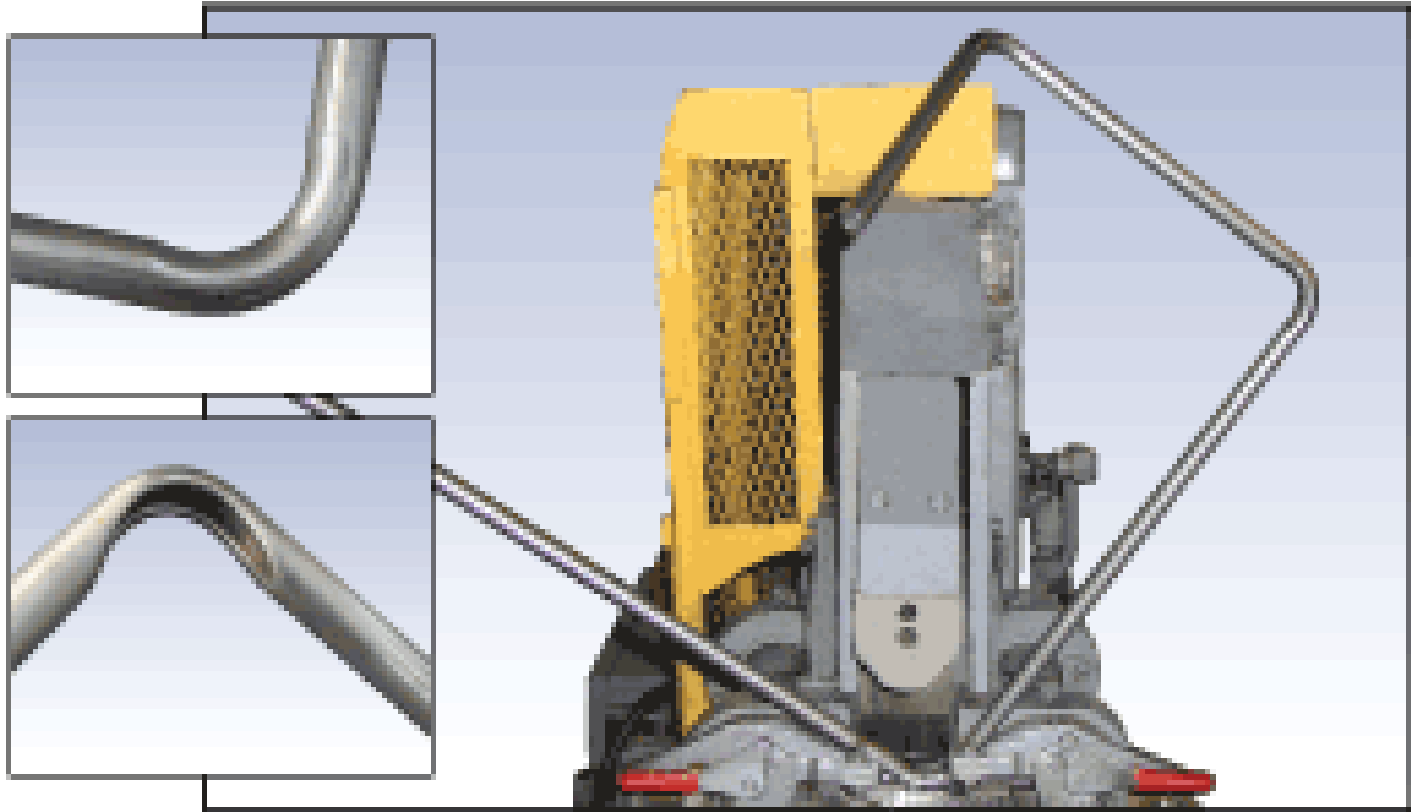
Circular Sawing Video

Multiple Parts - Bundling



Tube/Bar Bending Processes

Compression/Ram Bending



Primary Metal Casting Processes

- 1. Die Casting**
- 2. Sand Casting**
- 3. Permanent Mold Casting**
- 4. Investment Casting**

Die Casting

A non-ferrous metal is injected into a metal mold cavity under high pressure

- **Pressure is maintained during solidification, then mold is opened and part is removed, often by robotic manipulator**
- **Use of high pressure to force metal into die cavity achieves high production rates**

[Die Casting Animation Video Clip](#)

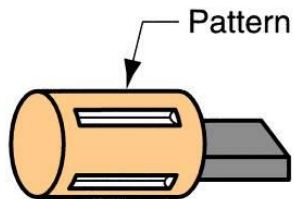


Sand Casting – Patterns required

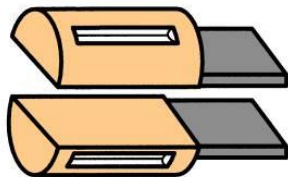
Pattern – a model of the part, slightly *enlarged to account for shrinkage and machining allowances*

Types of patterns used in sand casting:

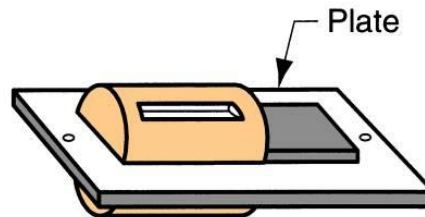
(a) solid pattern, (b) split pattern, (c) match-plate pattern
(d) cope and drag pattern



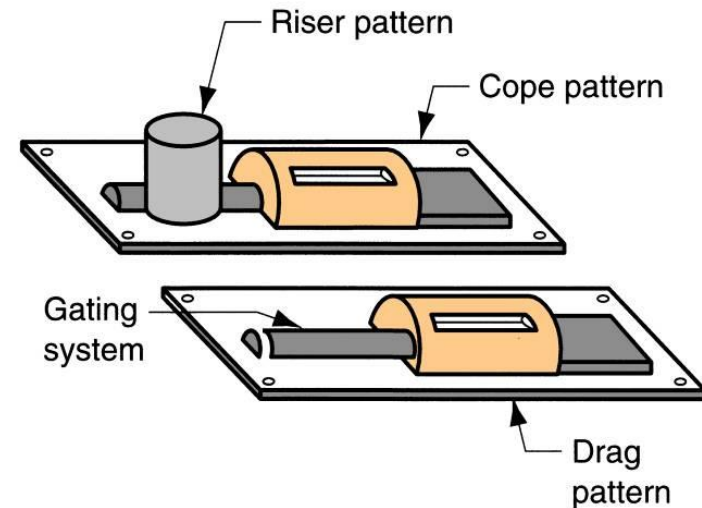
(a)



(b)



(c)

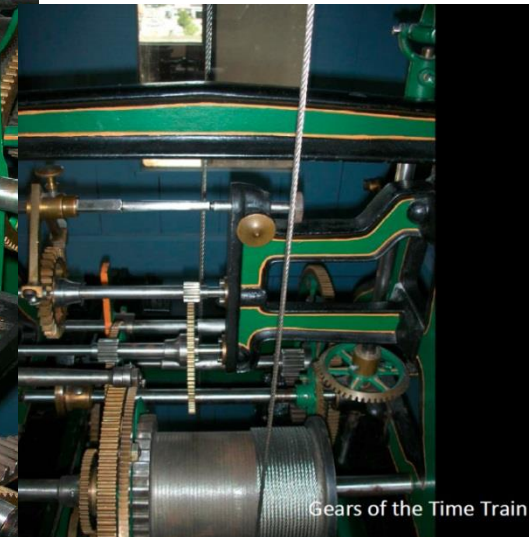
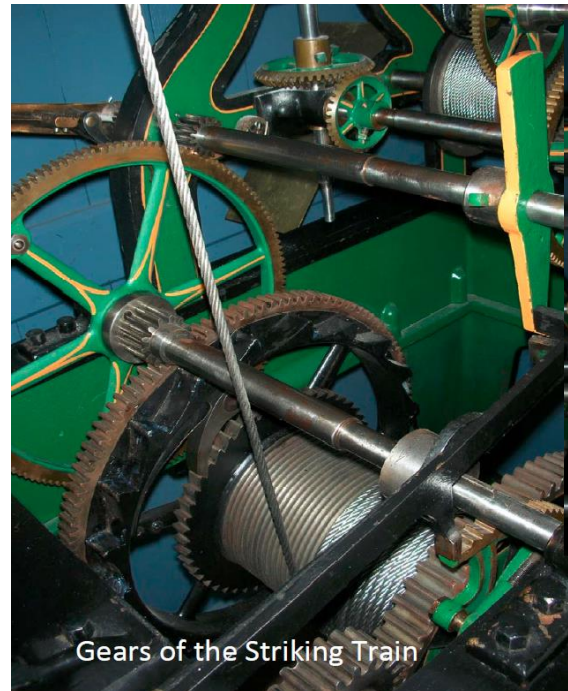
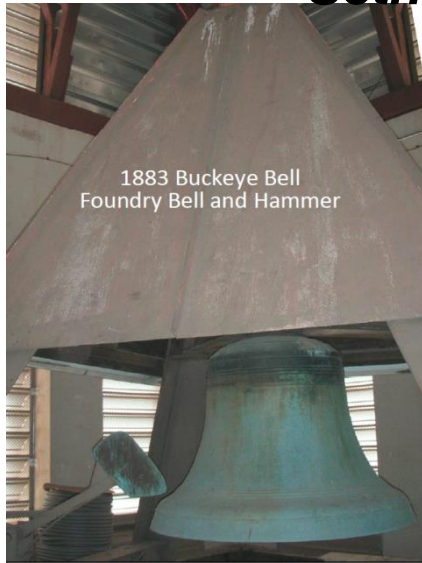


(d)

Urbana Courthouse Clock Tower Renovation - 2009



Seth Thomas Mechanical Clock - 1876



Restoration: 2002 - 2009

Horizontal Automatic Sand Casting

- **Vertical or Horizontal Mold Making Machines**
 - 200 to 600 parts/hr
 - Patterns and cores placed in by robotic device

*Horizontal
Molding
Machine
video*



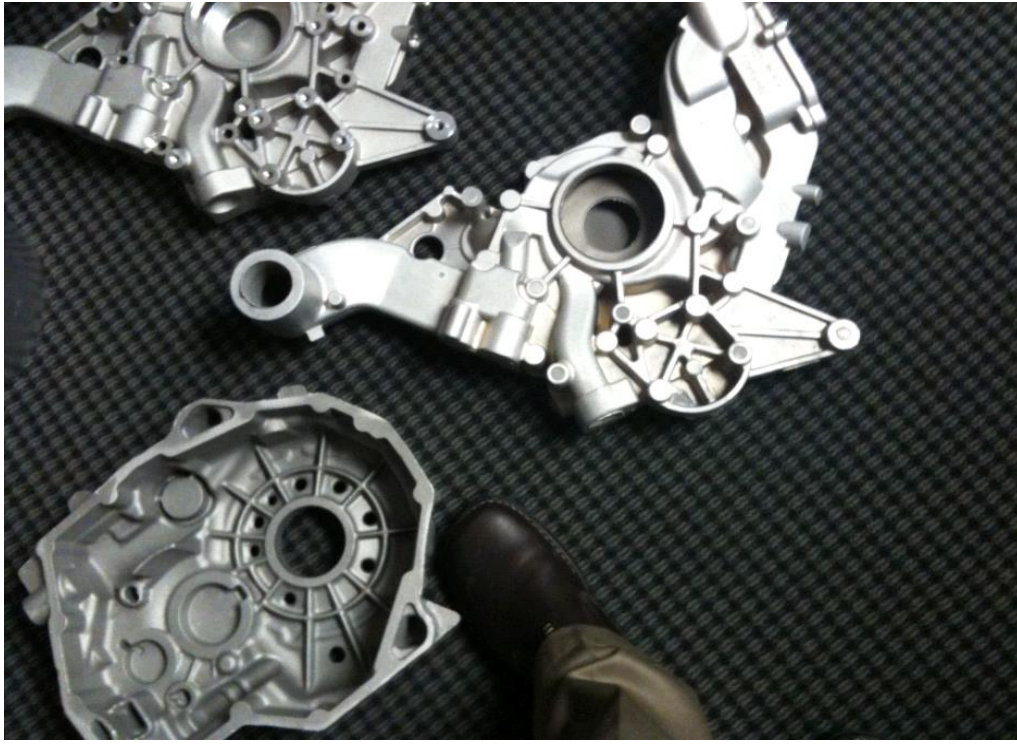
Investment Casting (Lost Wax Process)

A pattern made of wax is coated with a refractory material to make mold, after which wax is melted away prior to pouring molten metal

- "Investment" comes from a less familiar definition of "invest" - "to cover completely," which refers to coating of refractory material around wax pattern**
- It is a precision casting process - capable of producing castings of high accuracy and intricate detail**

[*Lost Wax Video*](#)

Permanent Mold Casting



Product Design Considerations

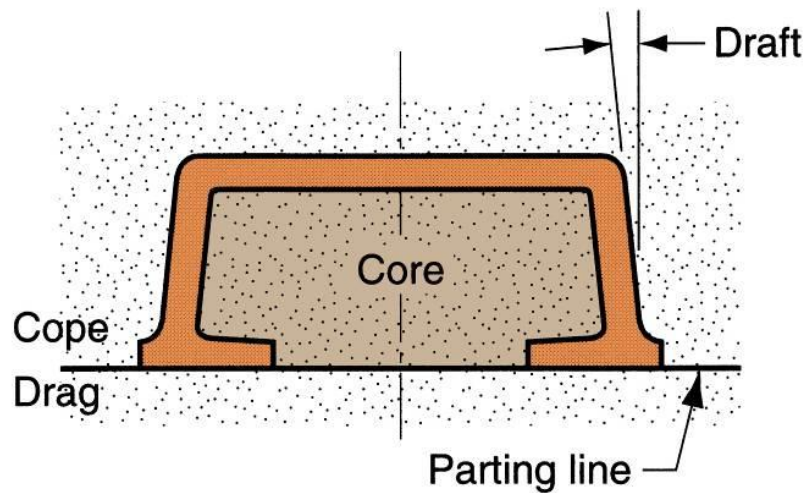
- 1. Geometric simplicity that allows for shrinkage and reduces the need for cores.**
- 2. Reduce sharp angles by rounding corners and reducing stress concentrations areas that may cause hot tearing and cracks.**
- 3. Increase draft angles (interior and exterior).**

Minimums:

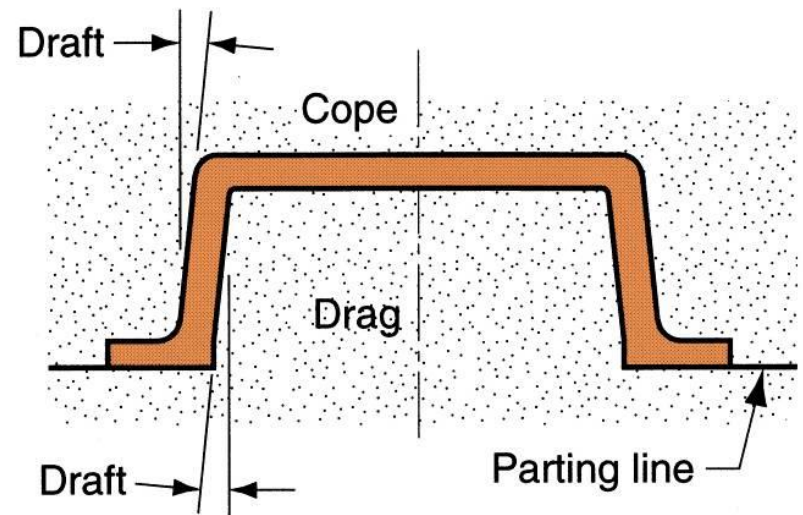
- Draft = 1° for sand casting**
- Draft = 2° to 3° for permanent mold processes**

Draft

- Minor changes in part design can reduce need for coring



(a)



(b)

Design change to eliminate the need for using a core: (a) original design, and (b) redesign.

Product Design Considerations - Cont

4. Dimensional Tolerances and Surface Finish:

- Sand casting: poor dimensional accuracies and finish
- Die casting and investment casting: better dimensional accuracies and finish

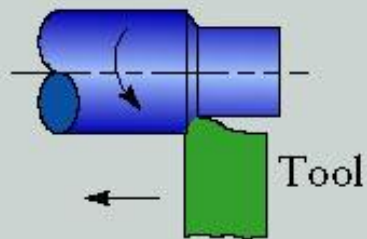
5. Machining Allowances:

- Additional material, called the *machining allowance*, is left on the casting in those surfaces where machining is necessary

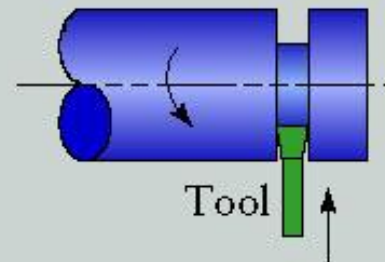
Introduction to Machining

Common Machining Operations

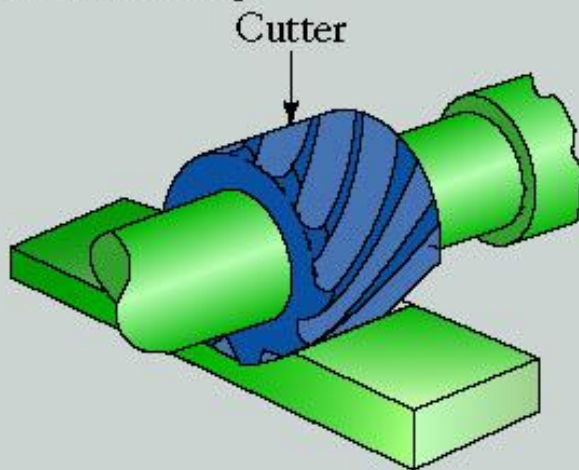
(a) Straight turning



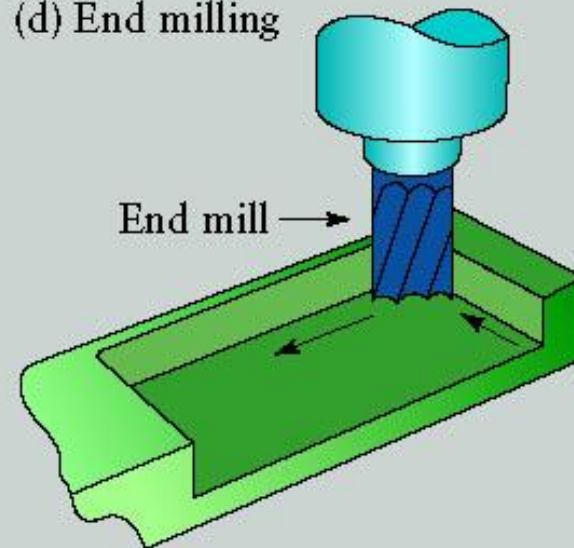
(b) Cutting off



(c) Slab milling



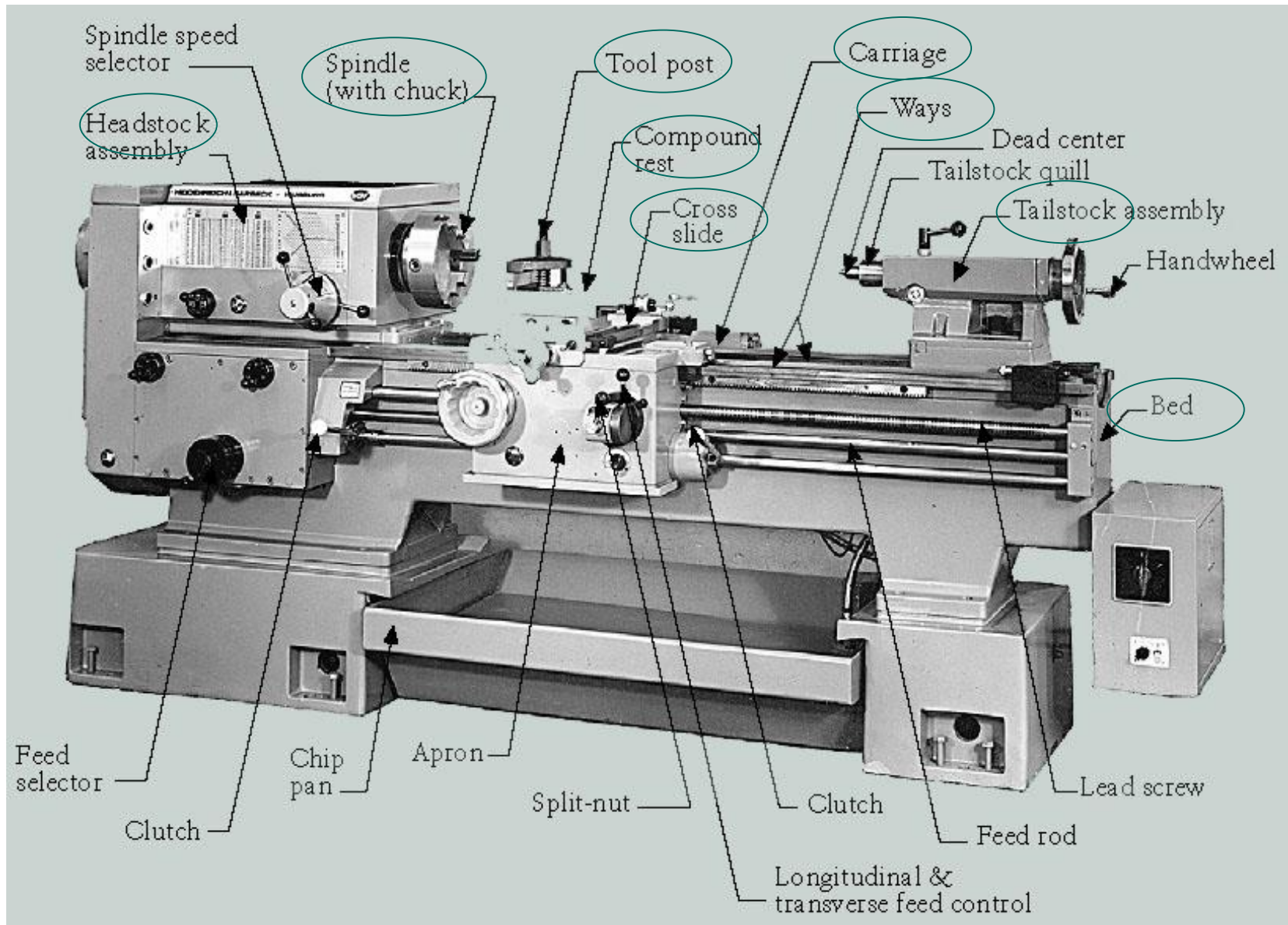
(d) End milling



Aka: Material Removal Processes

Kalpakjian

Parts of an “Engine” Lathe



Watchmaker's lathe



Typical "Engine" Lathe



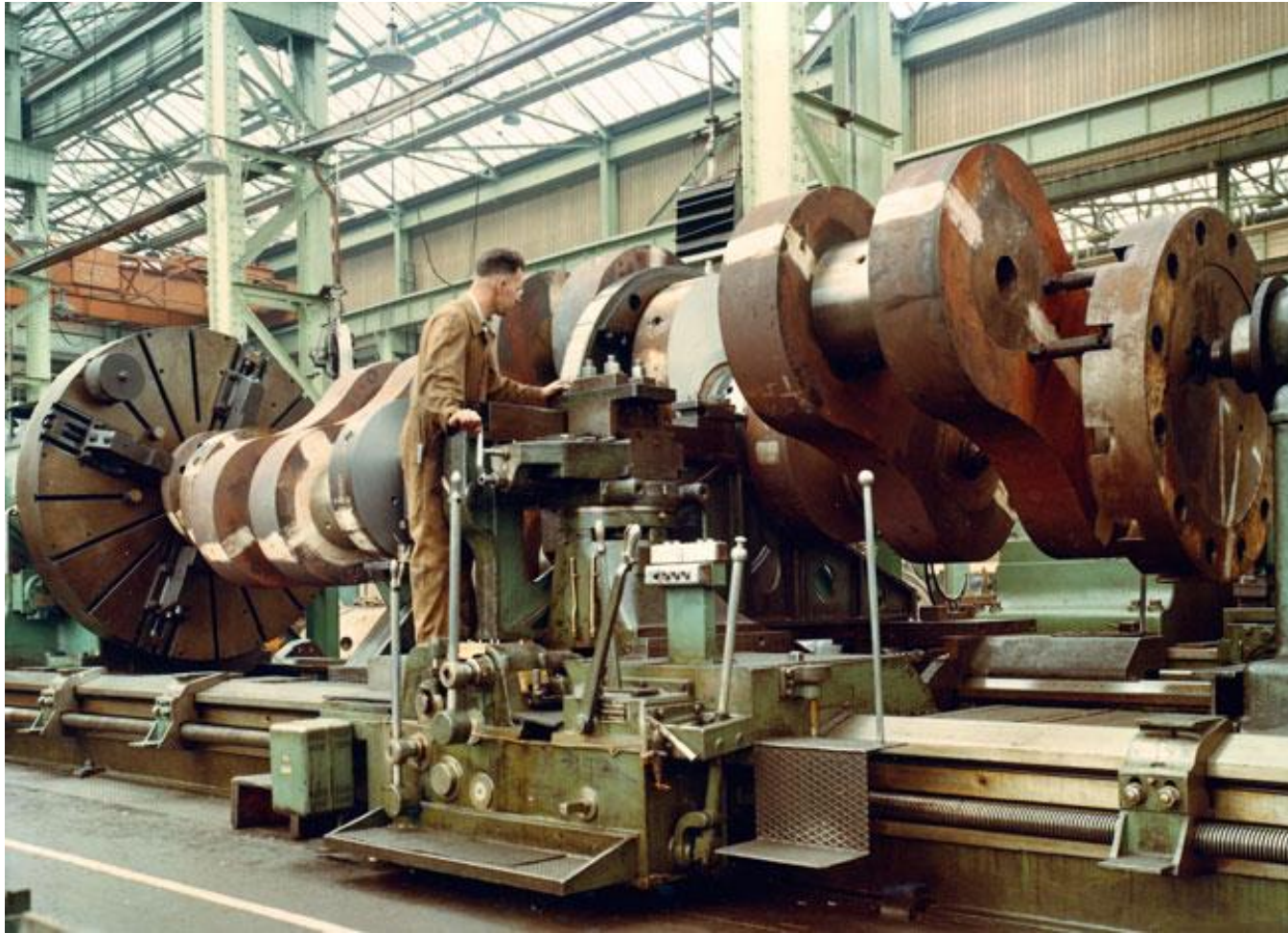
Turret Lathe



Big "Engine" Lathe



Really Big “Engine” Lathes



*CNC Lathe: aka “Turning Center”
(carriage is mounted toward back, “upside down”)*



www.machineryvalues.com

CNC = Computer Numerical Control (features are machined to size and location by a computer)

CNC MILL or “Machining Center”



Links:

CNC machining engine block from solid
Milling an Impeller