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# MSMA LATERAL LOADING DEVICE

## PROJECT PROPOSAL

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# Overview

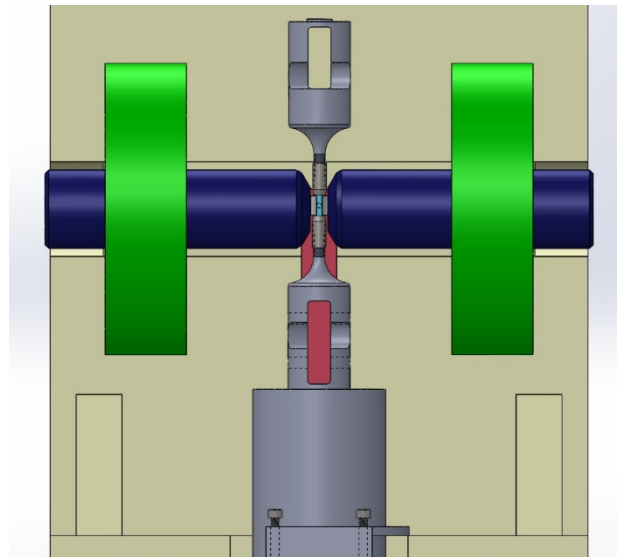
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## Problem Identification

- Dr. Ciocanel
  - Associate Professor at Northern Arizona University
  - Conduct research on Smart Materials
  - Wants to expand his testing process to include compressive force in the third dimension
  - Operates at room temperature in a laboratory setting

Solidworks Model of Instron Machine

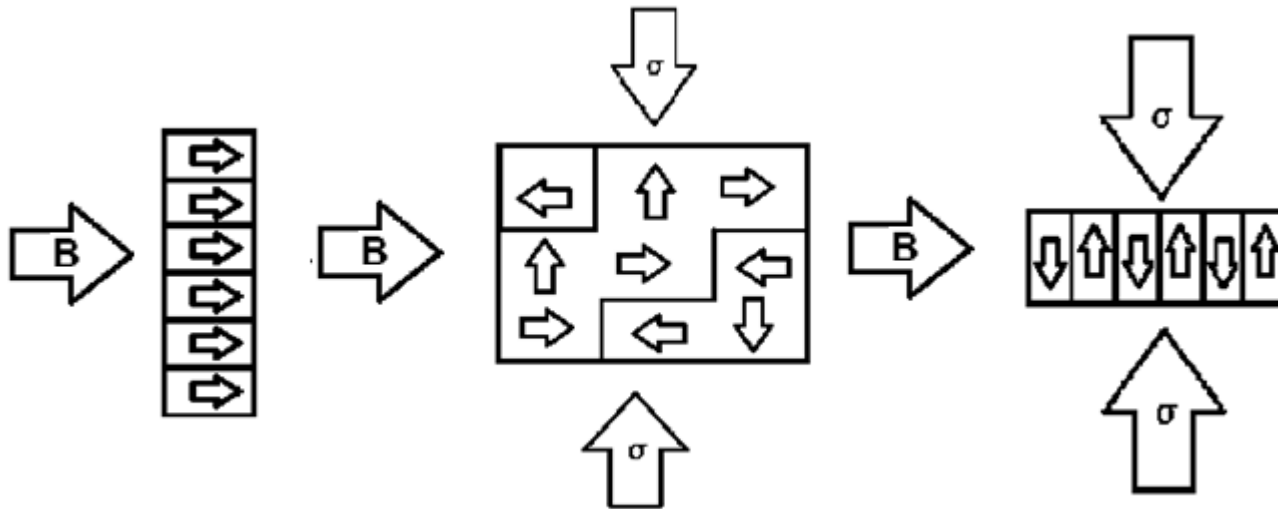




## Magnetic Shape Memory Alloy (MSMA)

- $\text{Ni}_2\text{MnGa}$
- Magnetization variant rotation
- Actuating vs. power harvesting

Variant Reorientation Model

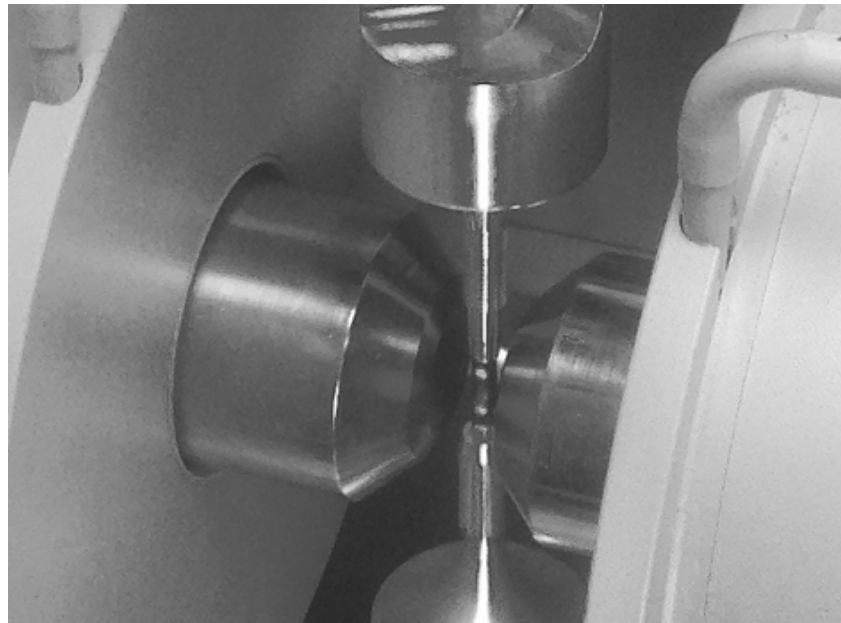




## Project Description

- Construction of a device capable of laterally loading up to 200 N
- Work within a \$2500 budget
- Fit within 10mmx12mm area under a magnetic field
- Provide feedback control

Experimental Setup for MSMA Testing

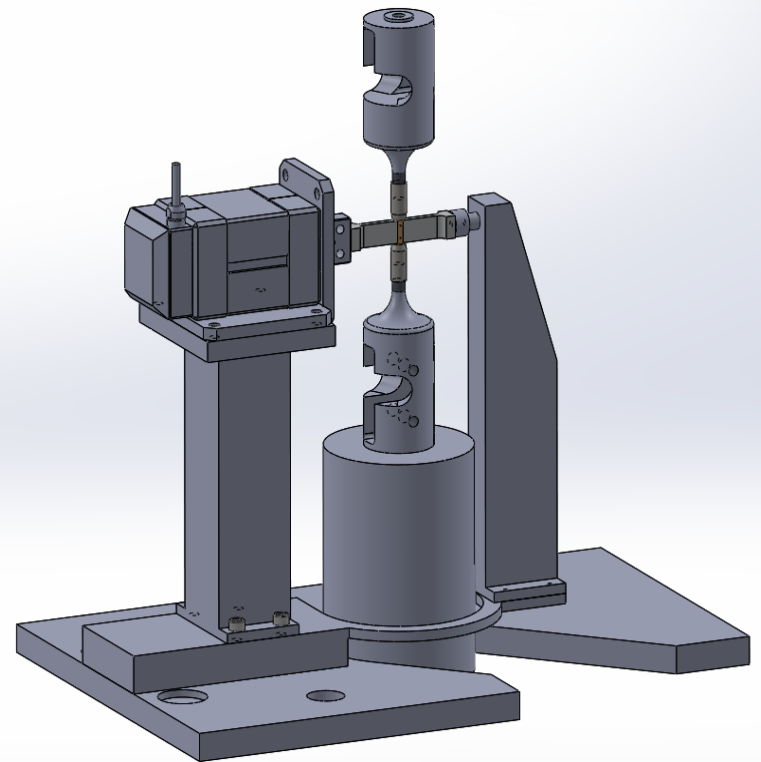




## Design Concepts

- Space limitations require design to be outside 10mmX12mm area
- Similar setup so focus shifts to
  - Actuation
  - Force Sensing

Basic System Apparatus [2][3]

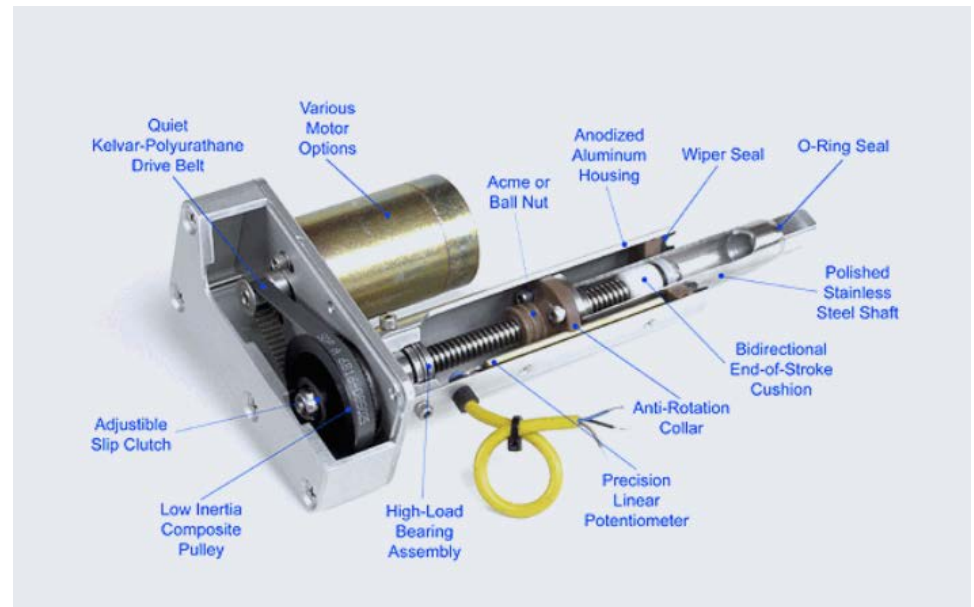




## Electromechanical Actuation

- Motor driven screw
- Pros
  - High precision
  - Available force feedback
- Cons
  - Large in size
  - Large operating range

Electromechanical Actuator Design [4]

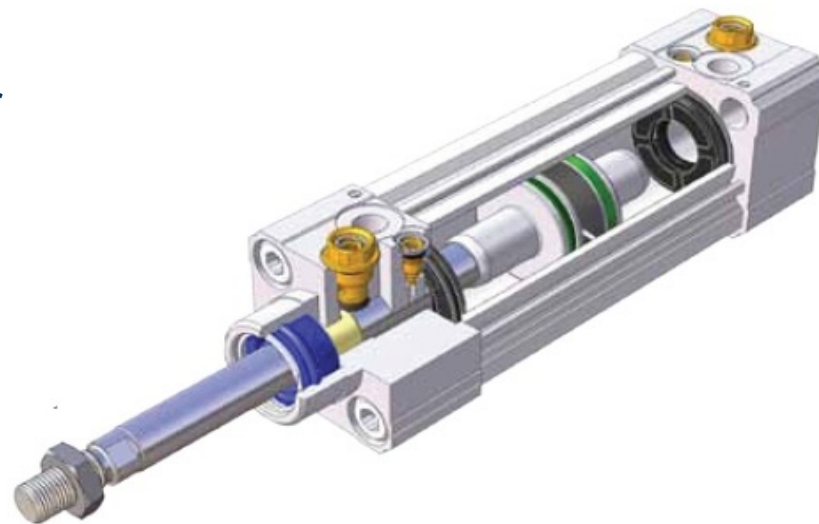




## Pneumatic Actuation

- Piston cylinder or hose powered by air
- Pros
  - Fits within allowable space
  - Lower in cost
- Cons
  - Lacks precision
  - Needs compressed air

Pneumatic Actuator Schematic [5]

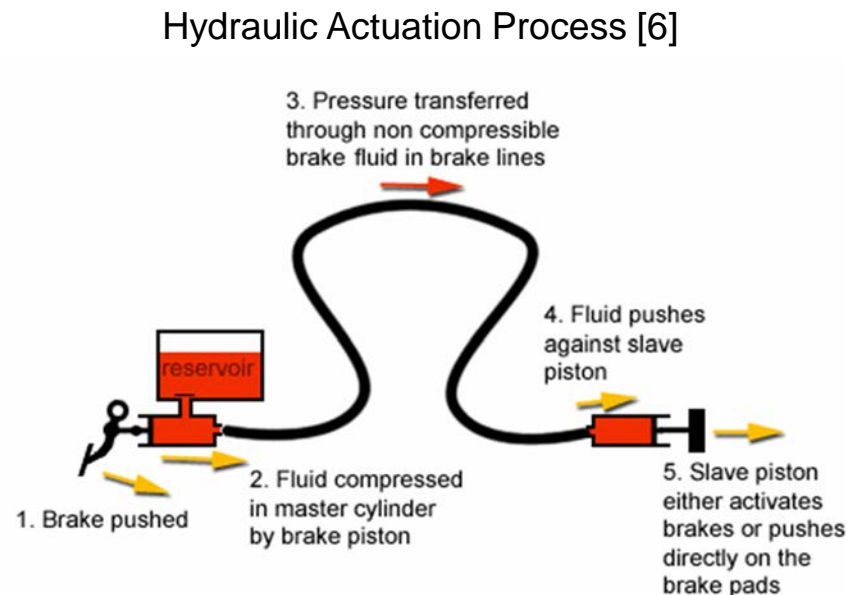






## Hydraulic Actuation

- Computerized piston and hose or cylinder design
- A hose attached to actuators on either side of the specimen
- Pros
  - Flexible, fits in allowed space
  - Incompressible flow; finer control
- Cons
  - Less precise than electromechanical
  - Needs more components

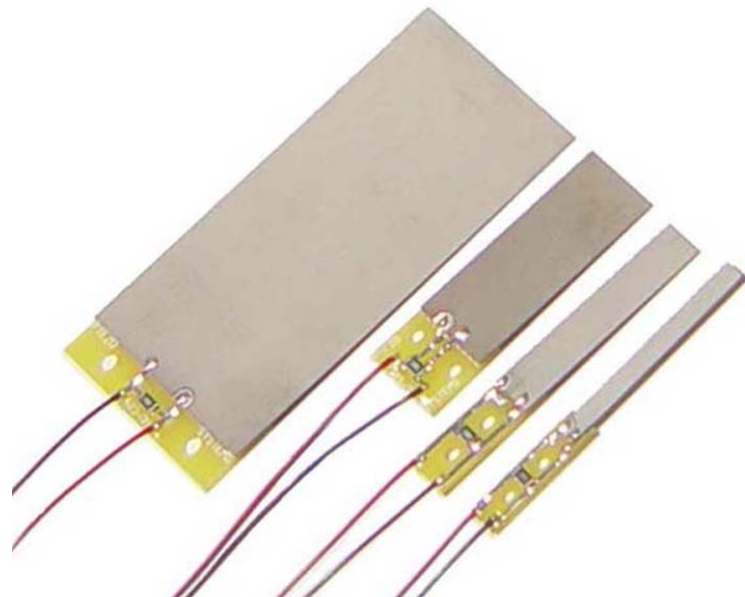




## Piezoelectric Force Sensor

- Deflection outputs a voltage
  - Due to material properties
- Pros
  - Excellent sensitivity
  - Small size
- Cons
  - Fragile
  - Expensive

PZT sensor in various sizes [7]





## Strain Gauge Force Sensor

- Measures strain through voltage
- Pros
  - Low cost
  - High sensitivity
- Cons
  - Size could be an issue

Basic Strain Gauge Design [8]

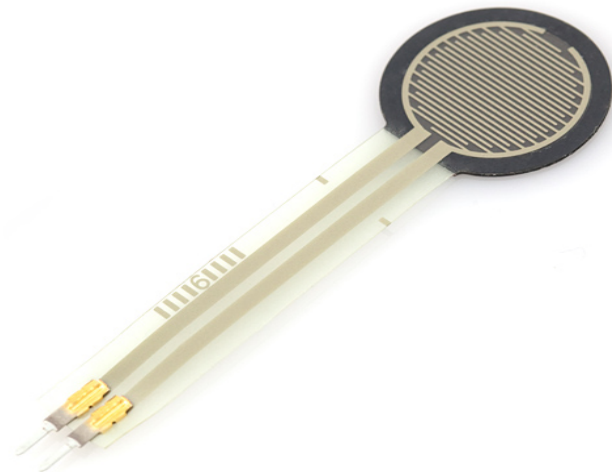




## Force Sensing Resistor

- Compression changes electrical resistance
- Can be setup to measure a voltage drop
- Pros
  - Inexpensive
  - High durability
- Cons
  - Low sensitivity

Basic Force Sensing Resistor [9]





## Concept Selection and Decision Matrix for Actuation

- Move forward with electromechanical and hydraulic actuators
  - Client requested piezoactuators over hydraulic

	Weight	Piezoelectric	Strain Gage	Force Sensing Resistor
Sensitivity	4	8	7	4
Cost	1	4	7	9
Size	3	9	5	5
Effectiveness in a magnetic field	5	6	7	7
Durability	3	4	6	7
Total	n/a	105	103	96



## Concept Selection and Decision Matrix for Force Sensing

- Move forward with Piezoelectric and Strain Gauges

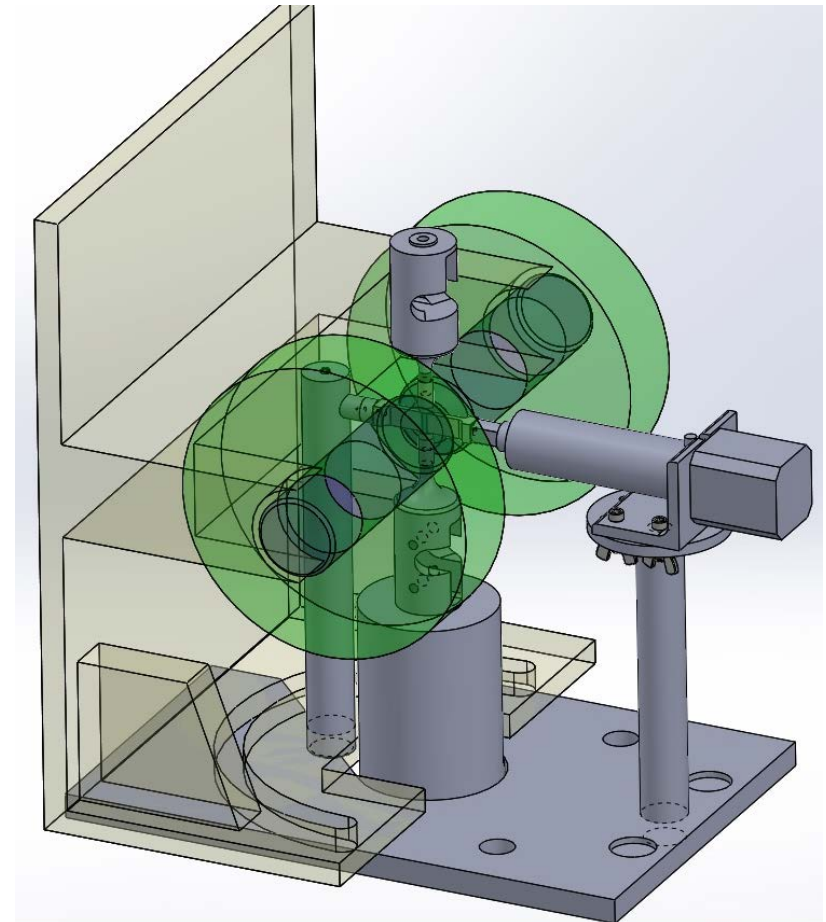
	Weight	Electromechanical	Hydraulic	Pneumatic
Controllability	5	9	7	4
Cost	1	3	5	3
Precision	5	6	7	3
Amount of Applied Force	2	5	8	8
Size	3	4	8	6
Total	n/a	100	115	72



## Engineering Analysis

- Force Sensor [1] [5]
  - Similar size
  - Similar mounting position
  - Capable of handling fatigue
- Actuator
  - Similar forces
  - Similar cyclic fatigue
- Mounting
  - Different geometries
    - Towers, Screws

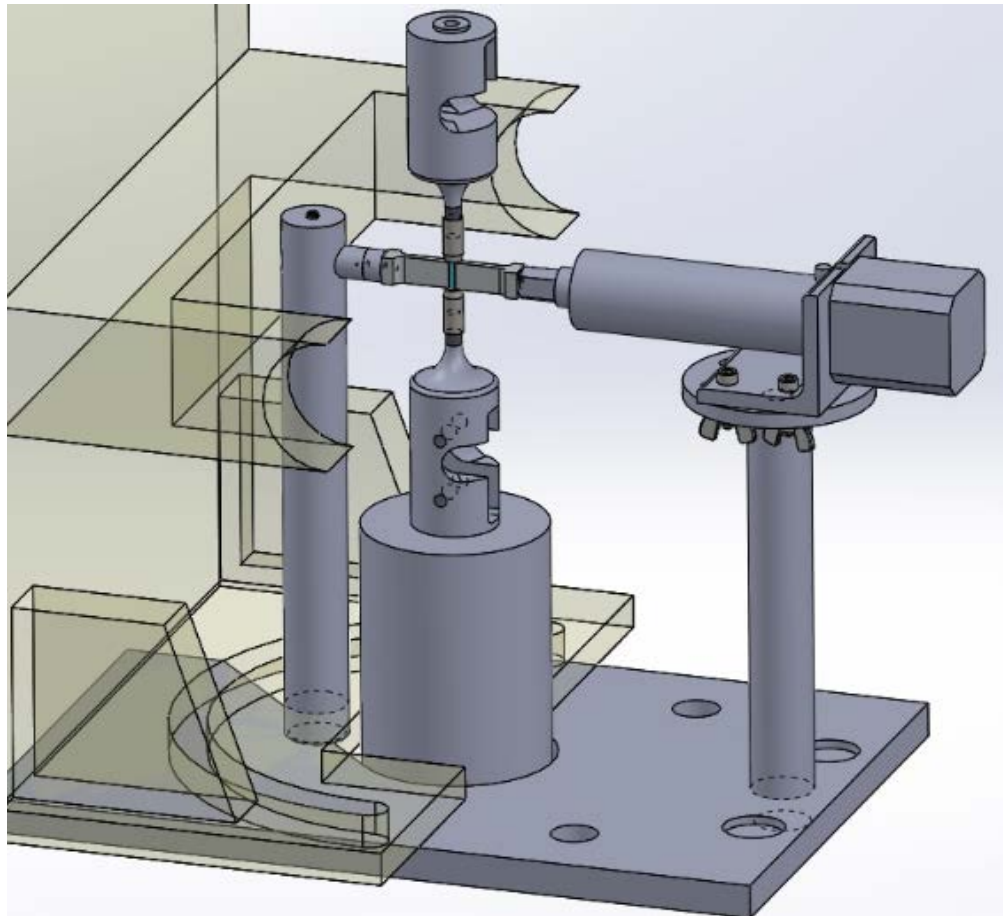
Solidworks Model of Instron Machine [2] [10]





- **Electromechanical Design Setup**

Solidworks Model of Electromechanical Mounting Design [2] [10]

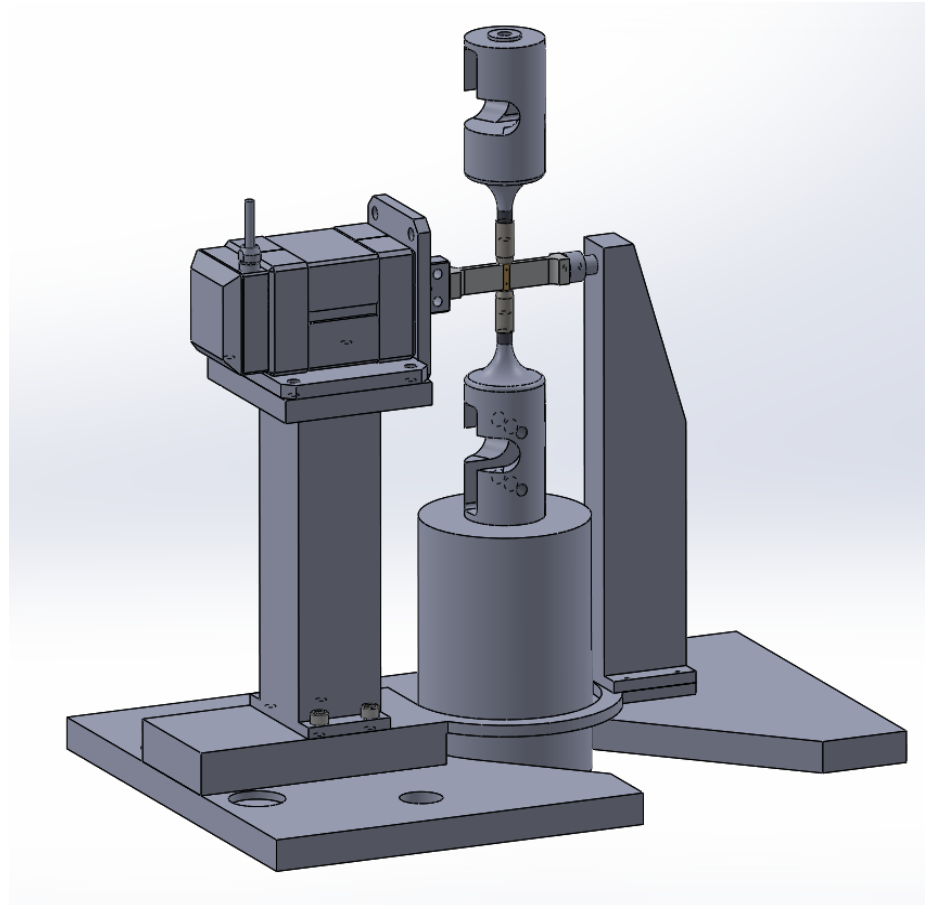






- **Piezoelectric Stack Design Setup**

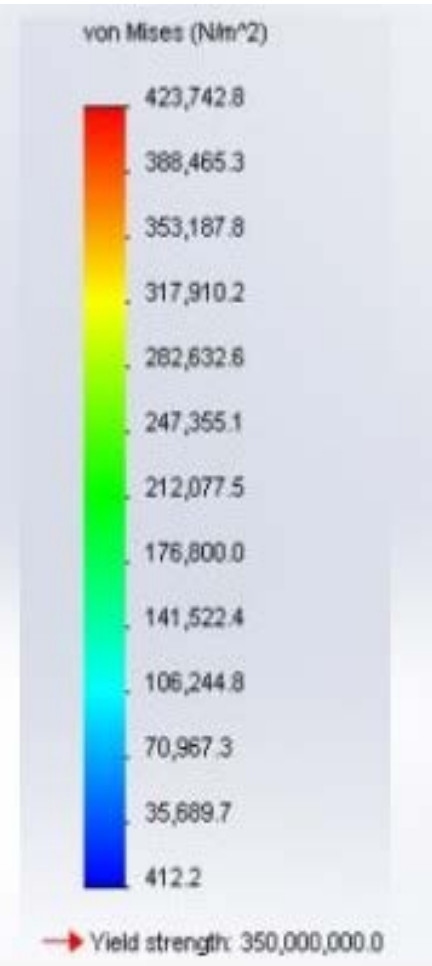
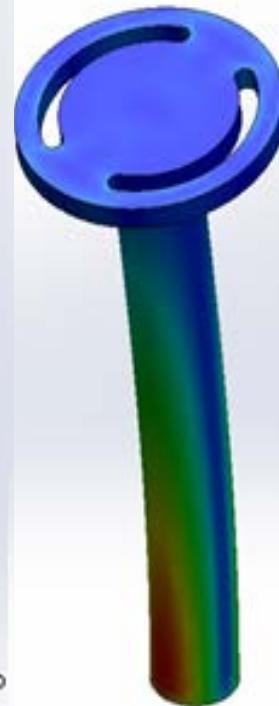
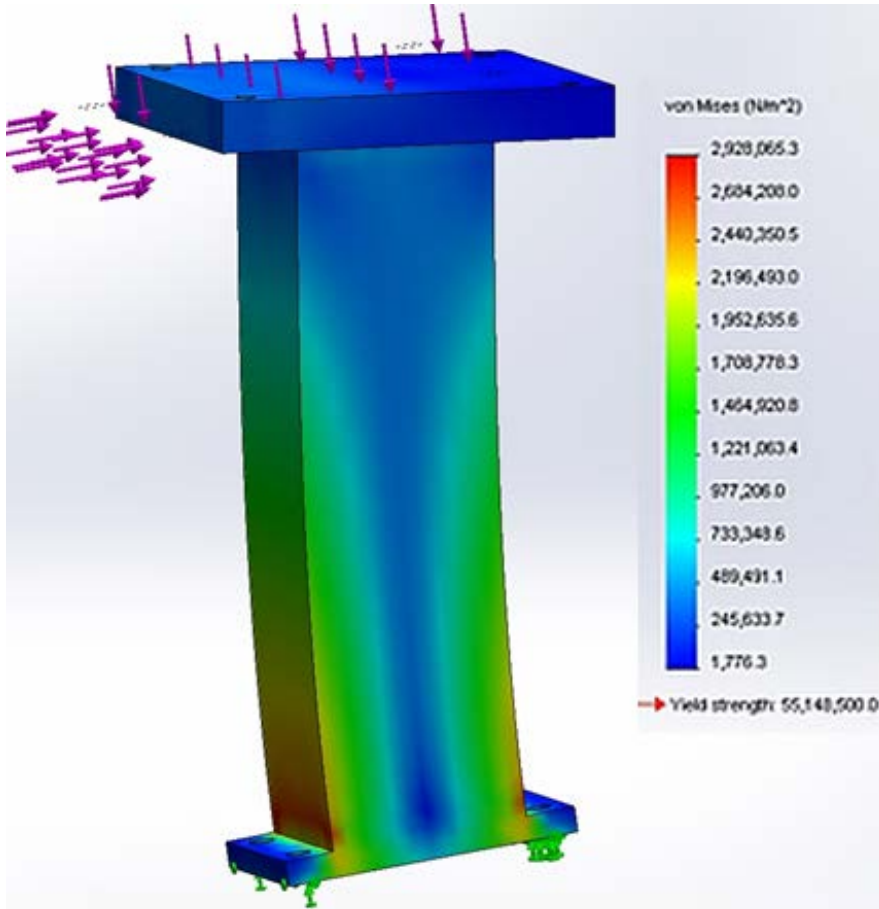
Solidworks Model of Piezoactuator Mounting Design [2] [3]





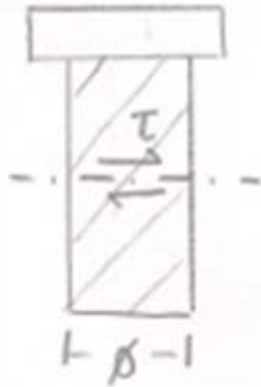
## Analysis of Towers

$$\sigma_{max} = 8.4Mpa$$





## By-Hand Analysis of Screws



$$\tau = \frac{F_{max}}{A} = \frac{F_{max}}{\frac{\pi D^2}{4}} \approx 70 \text{ Mpa}$$



## •Material Selection

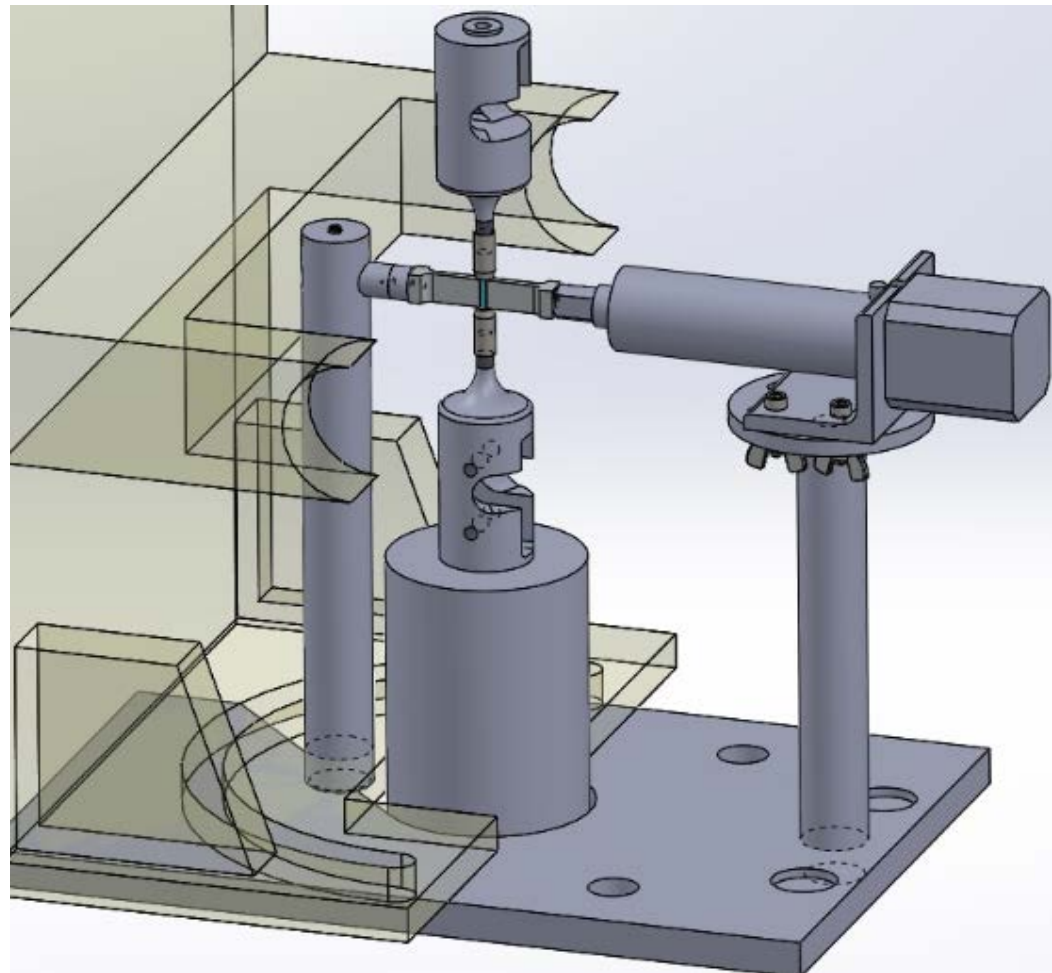
- Base/Towers: 1018 Low-Carbon Steel or 6061 Aluminum Alloy
- Screws: Type 316 Stainless Steel
  - Cheap, common material
  - Yield strength exceeds maximum stress
  - Not present in magnetic field/ non-magnetic
  - Good machinability (base/towers)



## Proposed Design

- Electromechanical
  - Ultra Motion Digit NEMA 17 Stepper
- Strain Gauge
  - Honeywell Model 11 load cell
- Lower costs
- Ease of manufacturing

Solidwork Model of Proposed Design [2][10]



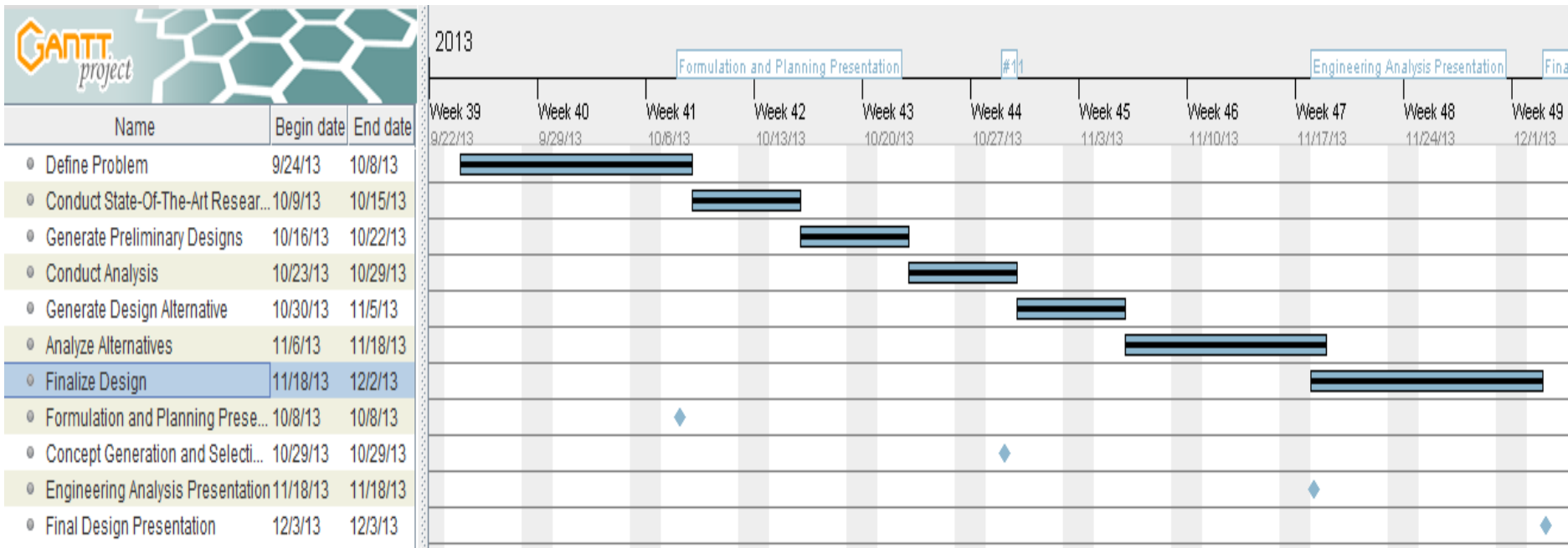


## Cost Analysis

<b>Component</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Digit NEMA 17 Stepper	1	\$620.00
ST5-S Stepper Drive	1	\$302.00
Model 11 Load Cell	1	\$771.00
Low-Carbon Steel Rod, 1", 3' Length	1	\$26.71
Low-Carbon Steel Bar, 3"-6"-1/4"	1	\$7.67
Flathead Screw, 5 pack	1	\$5.24
Wing Nuts, 25 pack	1	\$7.21
Socket Head Cap Screw, 25 pack	1	\$5.61
Set Screw, 25 pack	1	\$3.76
<b>Total Cost</b>		<b>\$1,749.20</b>



## MSMA Lateral Testing Project Timeline

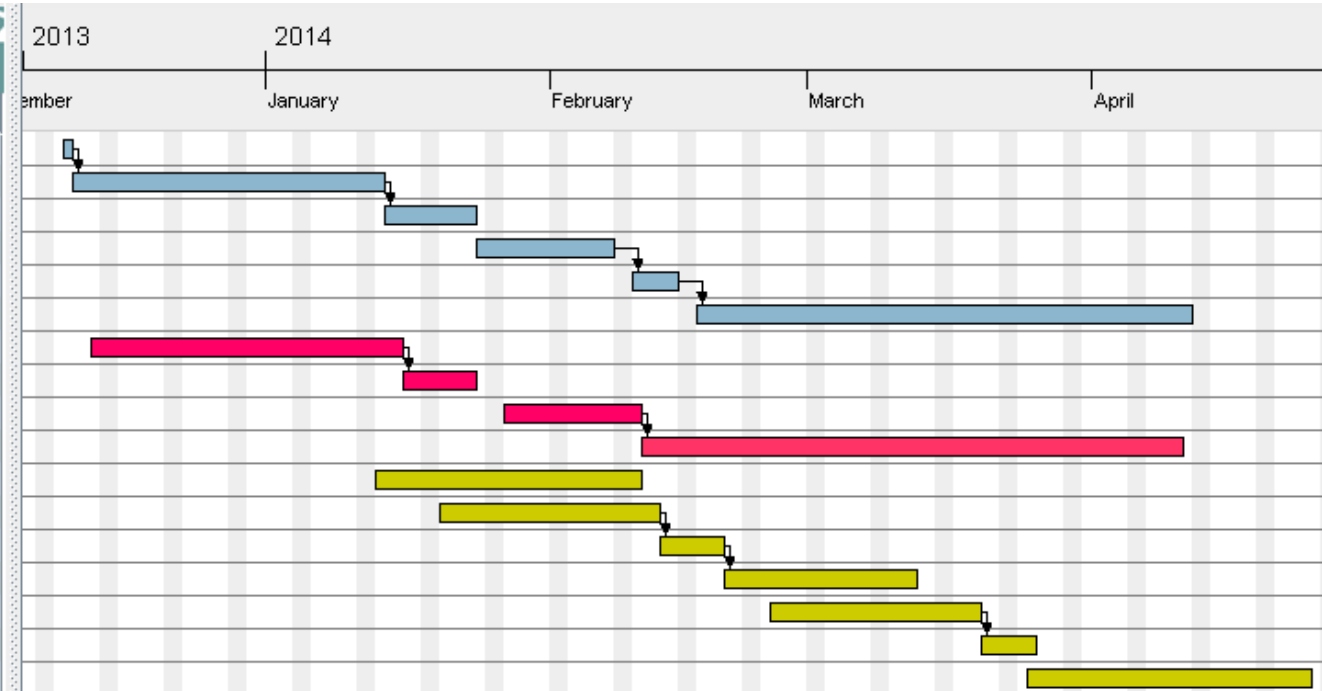




## MSMA Lateral Testing New Project Timeline



Name	Begin date	End date
Final Design Completion	12/10/13	12/10/13
Initial Part Acquisition	12/11/13	1/13/14
Machining/construction	1/14/14	1/23/14
First Stage of Testing (stru...	1/24/14	2/7/14
Examination of Results	2/10/14	2/14/14
Improve Existing Features	2/17/14	4/11/14
Acquisition of Actuator	12/13/13	1/15/14
Installation of Actuator	1/16/14	1/23/14
Actuator Testing	1/27/14	2/10/14
Improvements on Actuatio...	2/11/14	4/10/14
Initial Development of Forc...	1/13/14	2/10/14
Testing of Force System	1/20/14	2/12/14
Examination of Results	2/13/14	2/19/14
Fine Tuning (Force System)	2/20/14	3/12/14
Testing of Force System	2/25/14	3/19/14
Examination of Results	3/20/14	3/25/14
Improvement of Force Syst...	3/25/14	4/24/14







## Conclusion

- Must create a feedback controlled device that laterally loads a MSMA up to 200 N within a small area for under \$2500.
- Initial analysis resulted in further development using electromechanical vs. Piezo actuators and piezoelectric vs. strain gauge force sensing.
- Engineering analysis was conducted to determine minimum material properties required in the fixtures.
- Final design selected to propose to client after manufacturing and cost consideration.
- Timeline for next semester has been established, and our team will begin ordering products.



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