

Build instruction mechanics CNC v3.2.2

Its not a perfect description of the build process, nor complete to all details, but its free of charge ;-)

Turn on your brain before cutting parts!



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Please tell me EXACTLY what is missing (part number, page)!
And of course have a look at the project page:

www.homofaciens.de/technics-machines-cnc-v3-2-2_en.htm

and read ALL of the documentation!

The wooden parts are cut from 18mm chipboard,
almost all parts have a width of 300mm to make cutting easy.

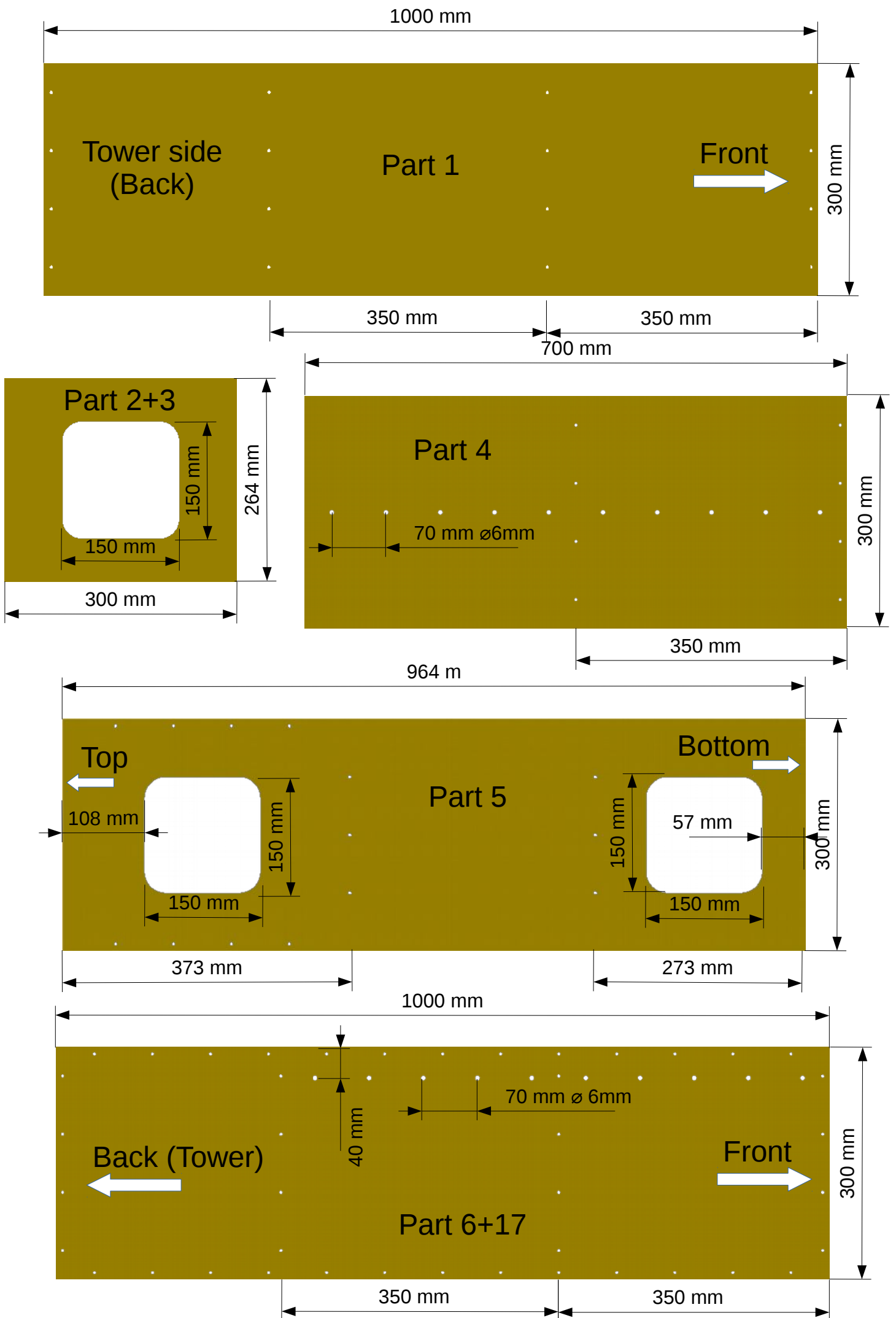
The square aluminum tubes have the dimensions
20x20mm with 2mm wall thickness.

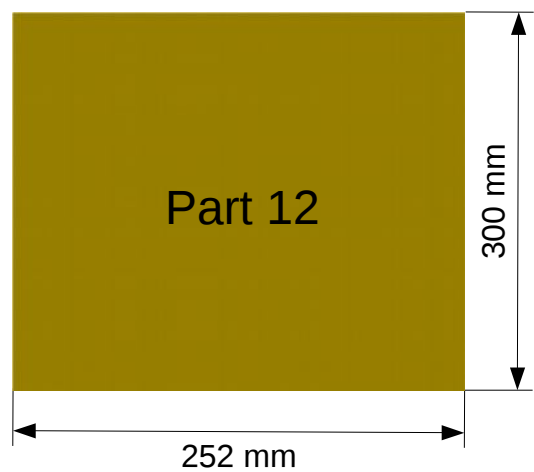
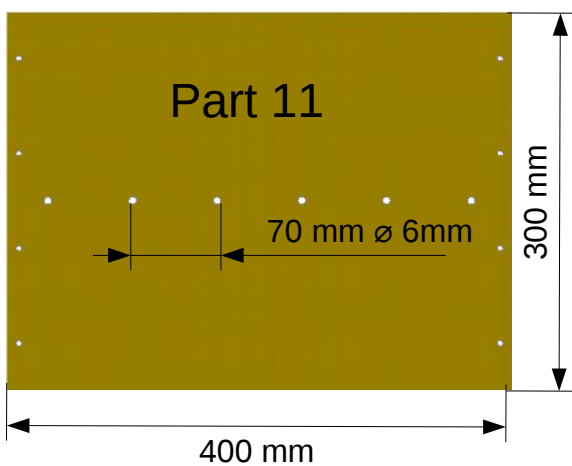
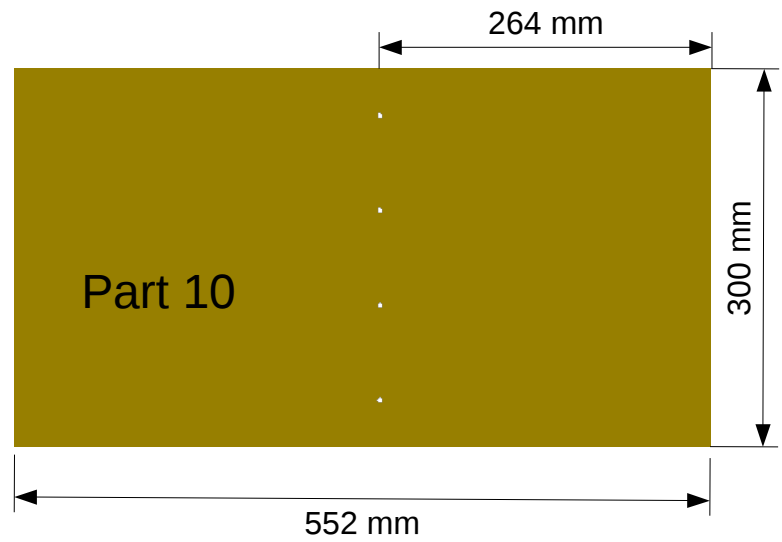
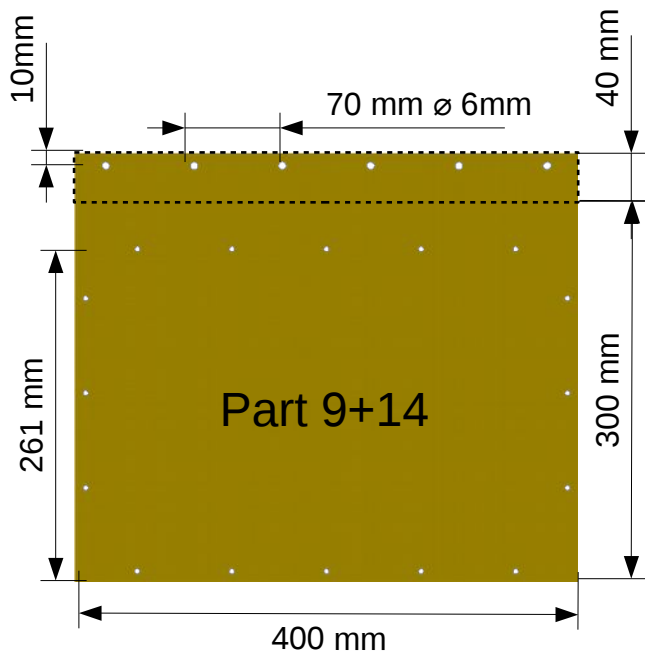
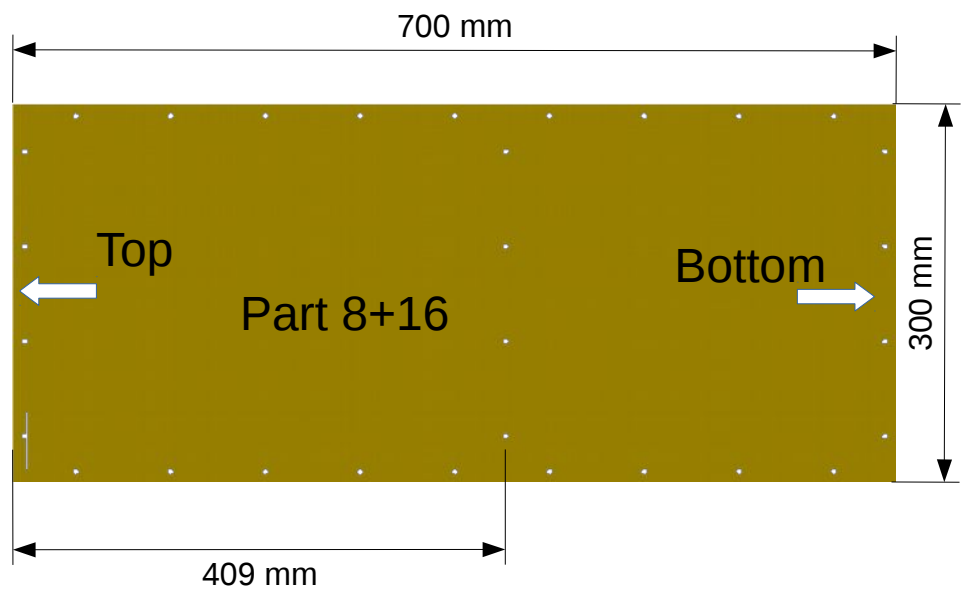
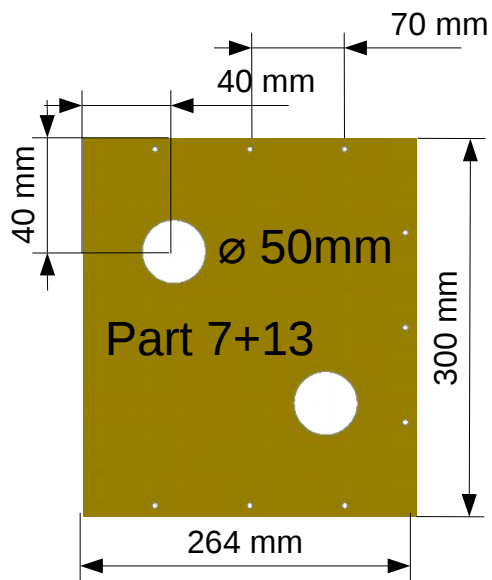
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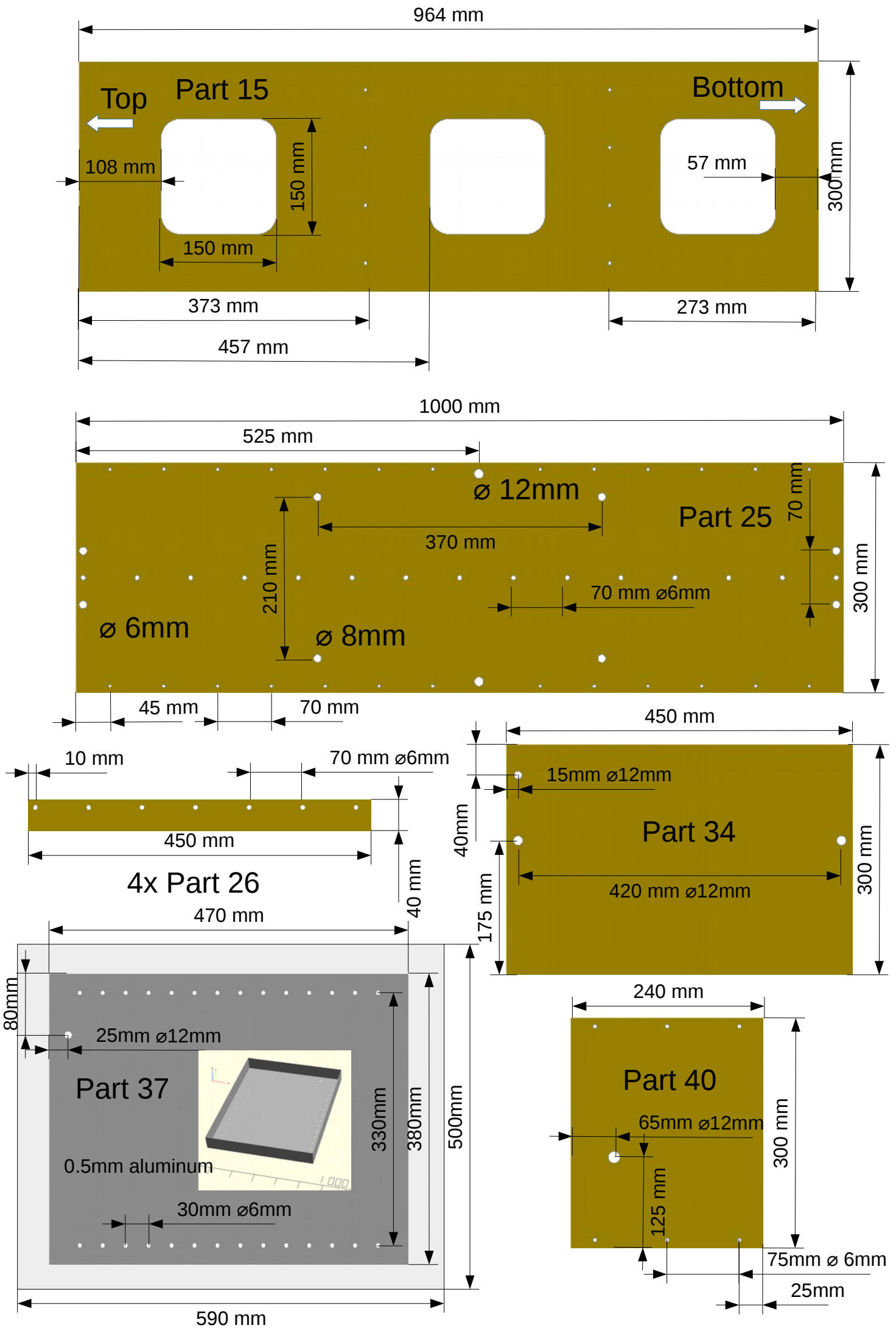
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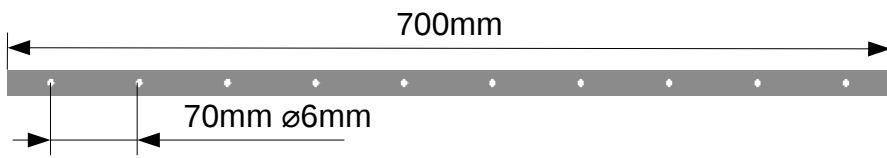
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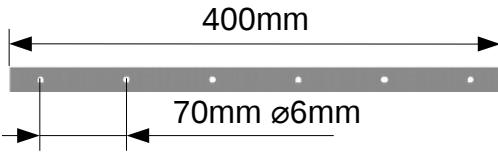




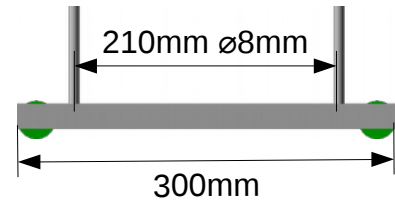


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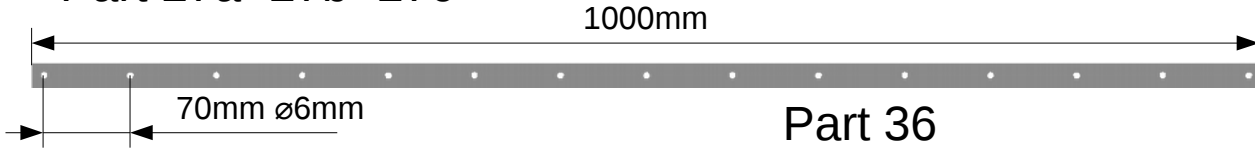
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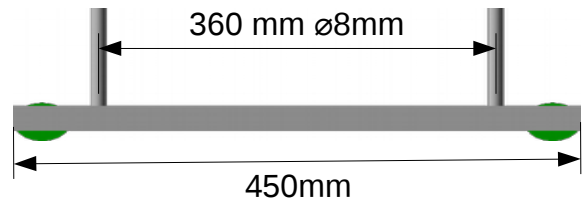
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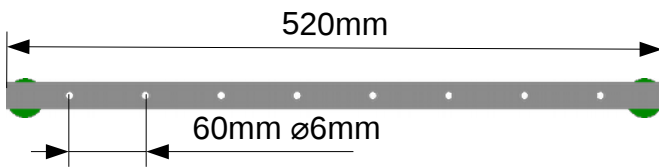
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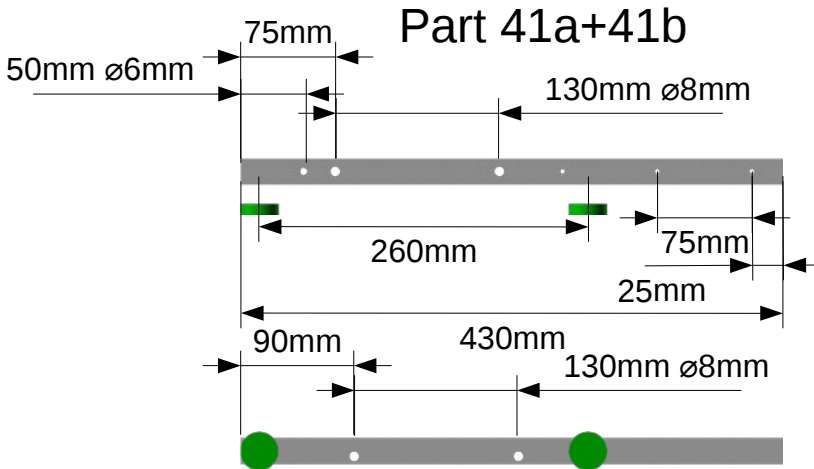
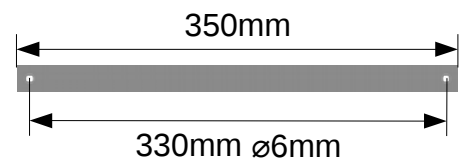
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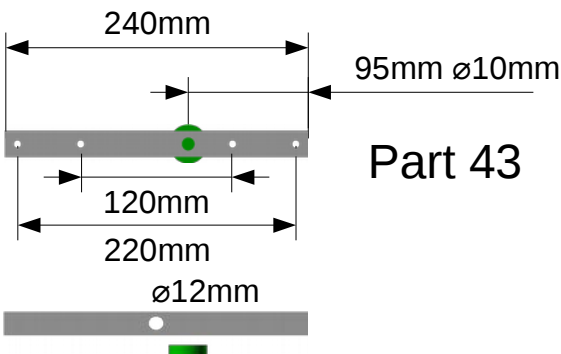
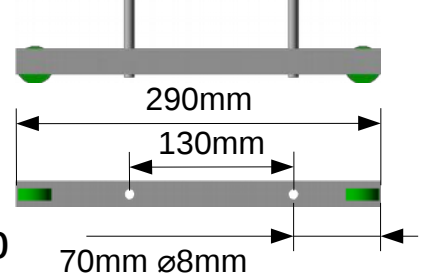
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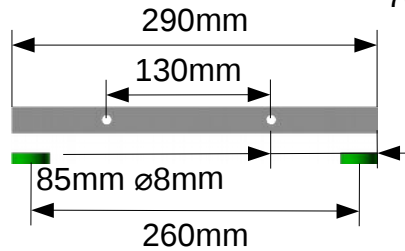
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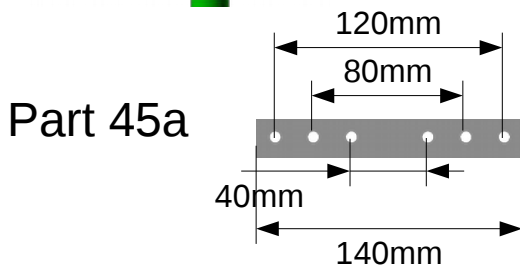
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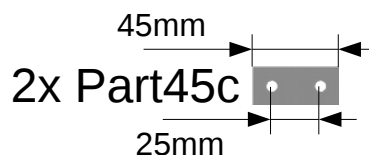
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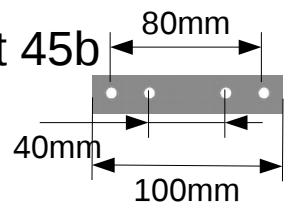
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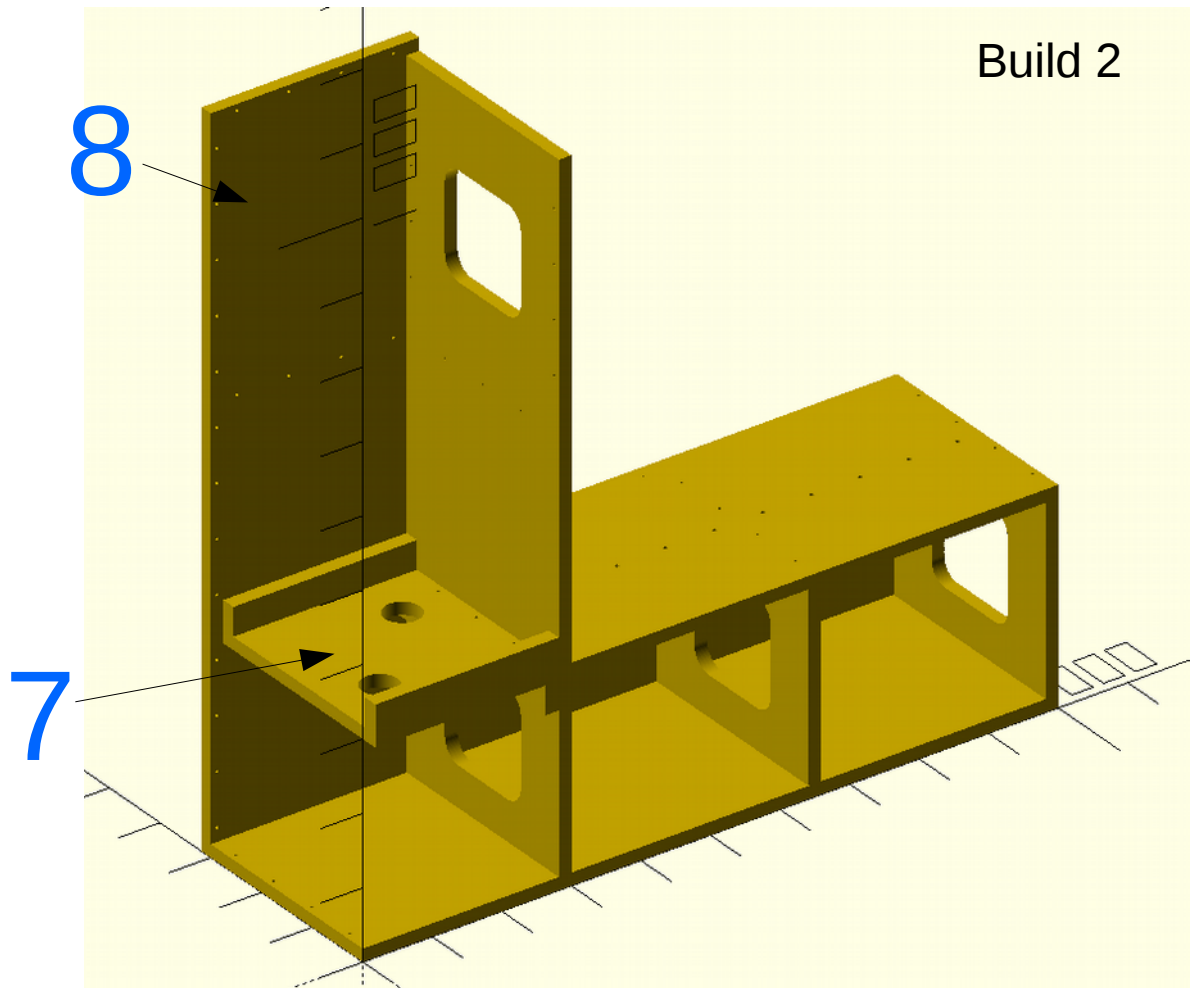
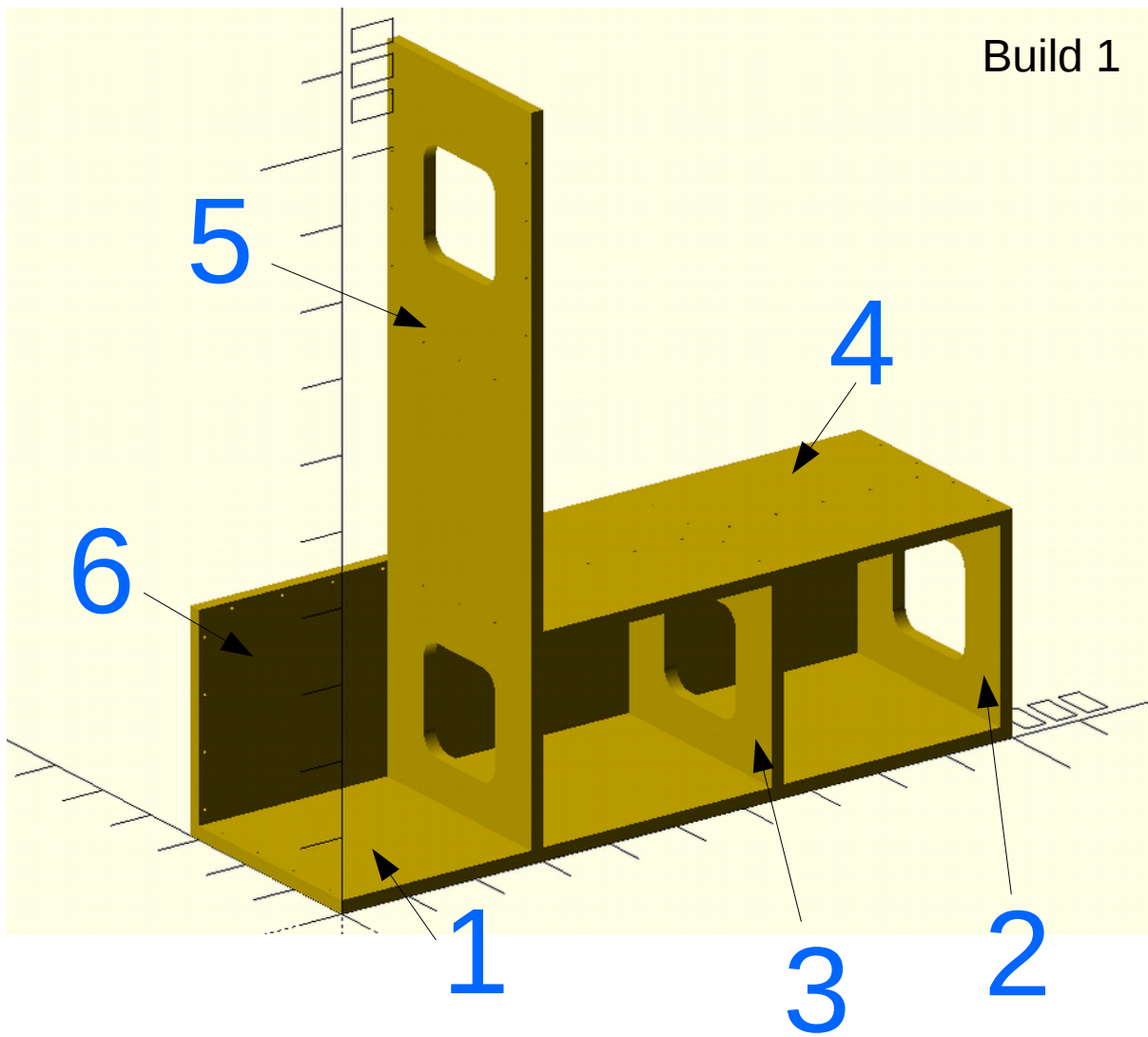


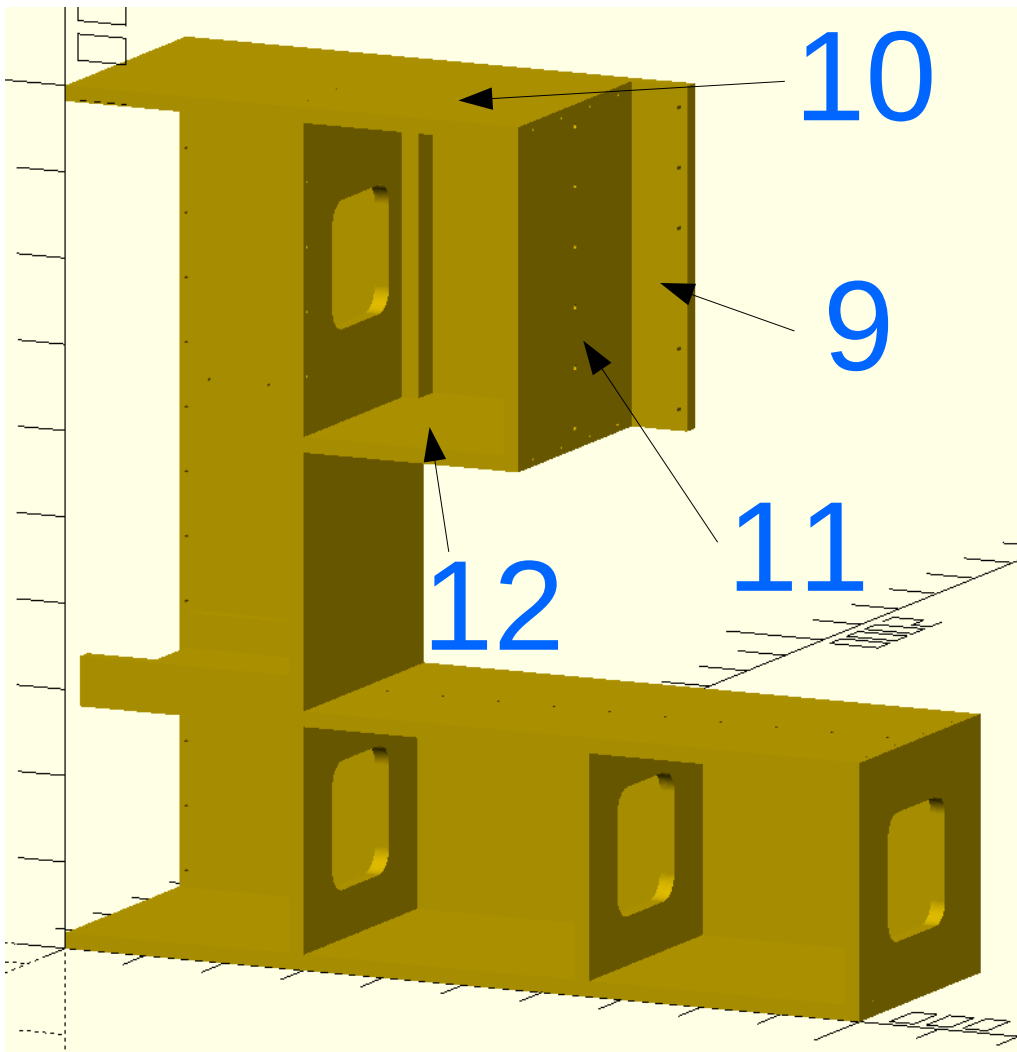
Parts 45 flat iron or aluminum 20x4mm



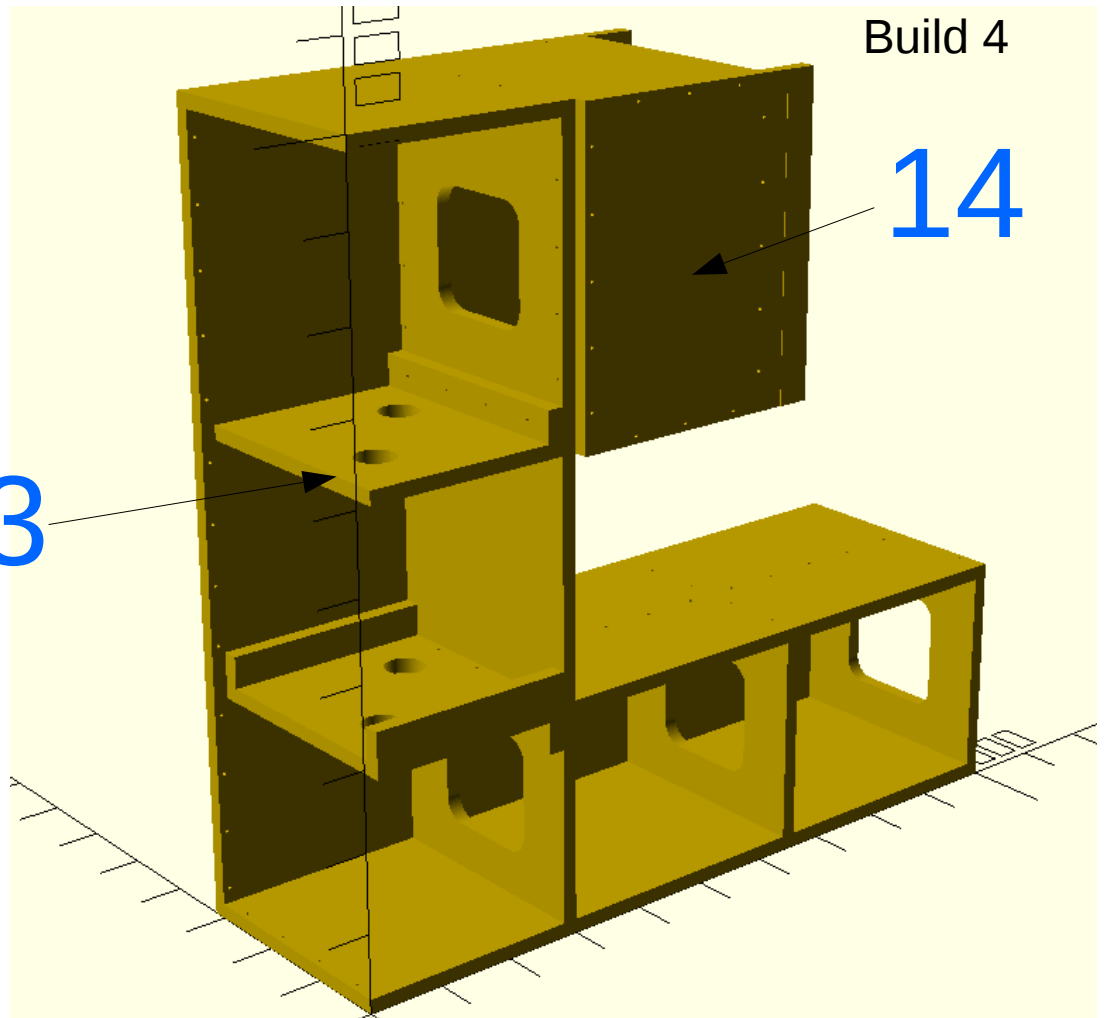
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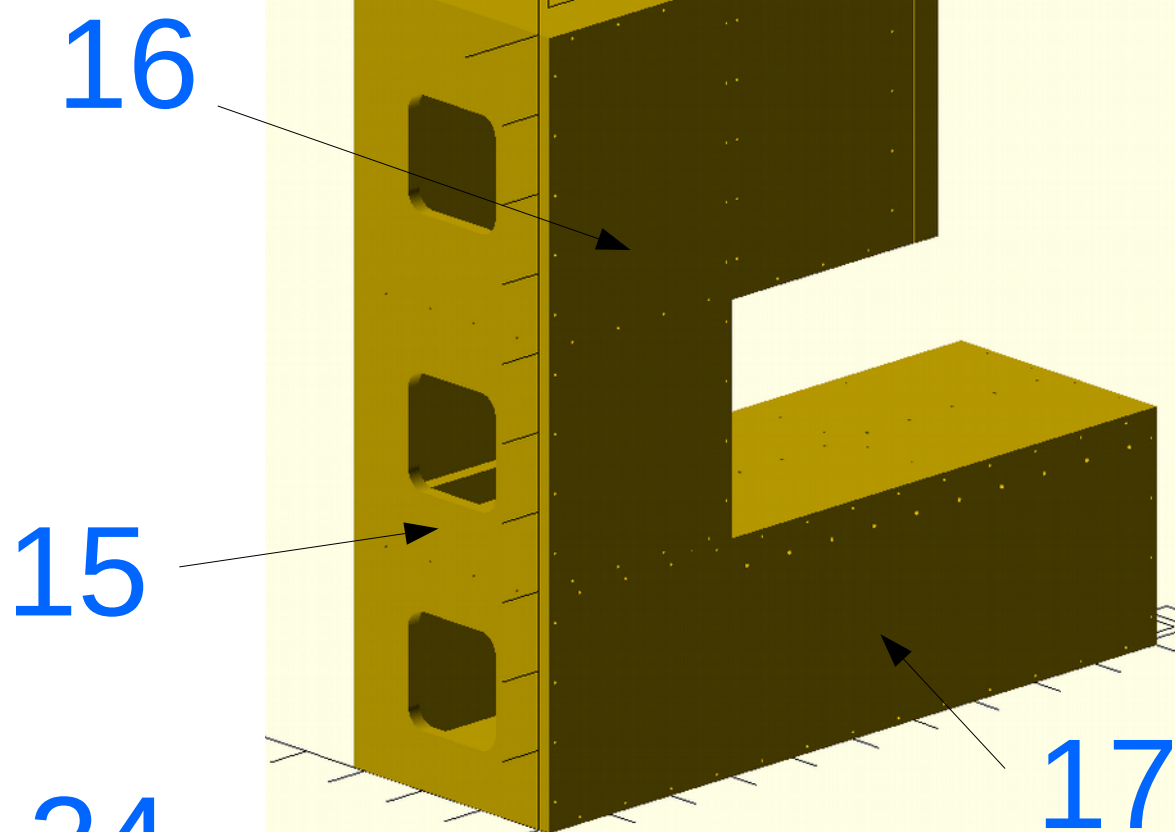


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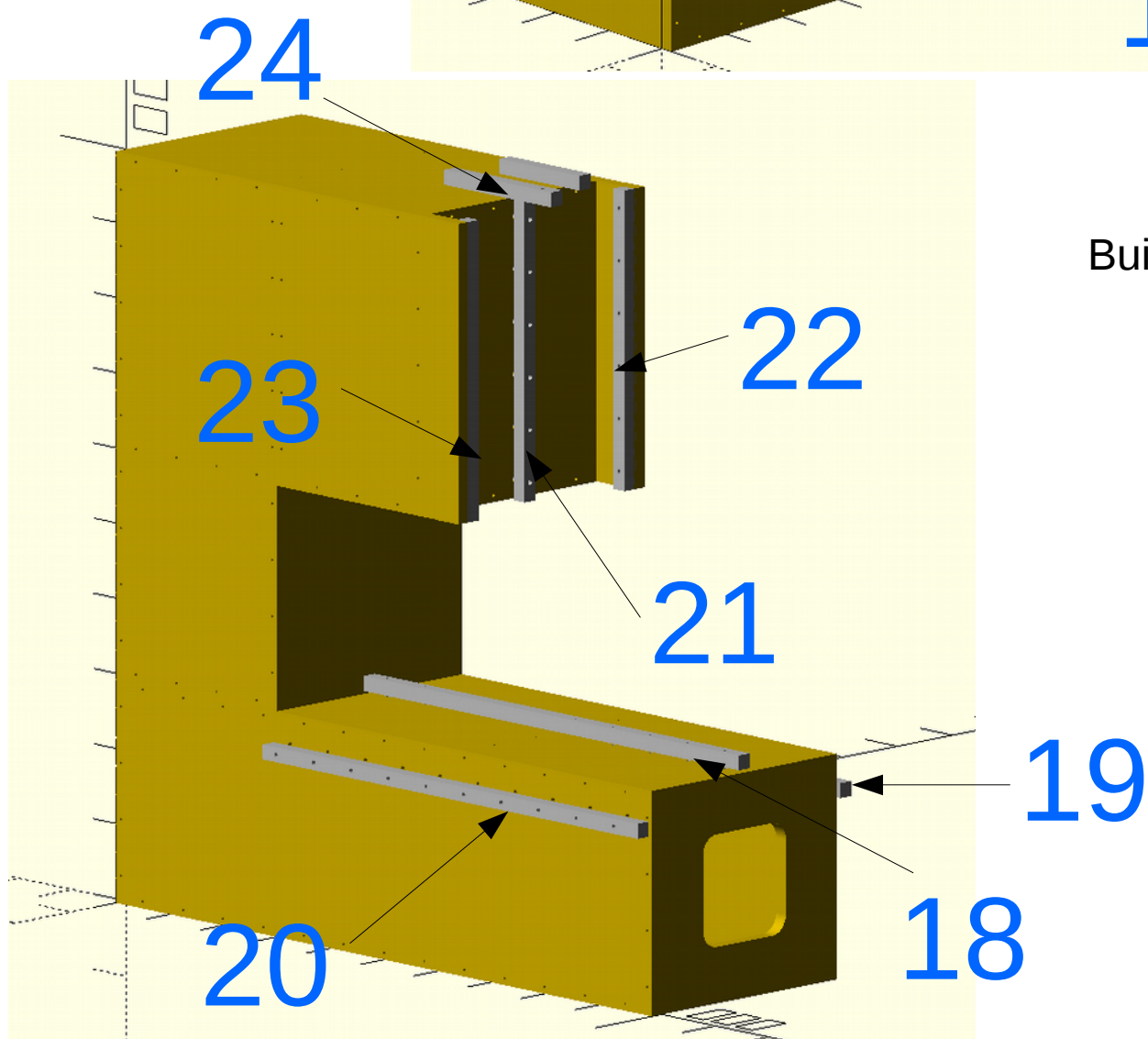


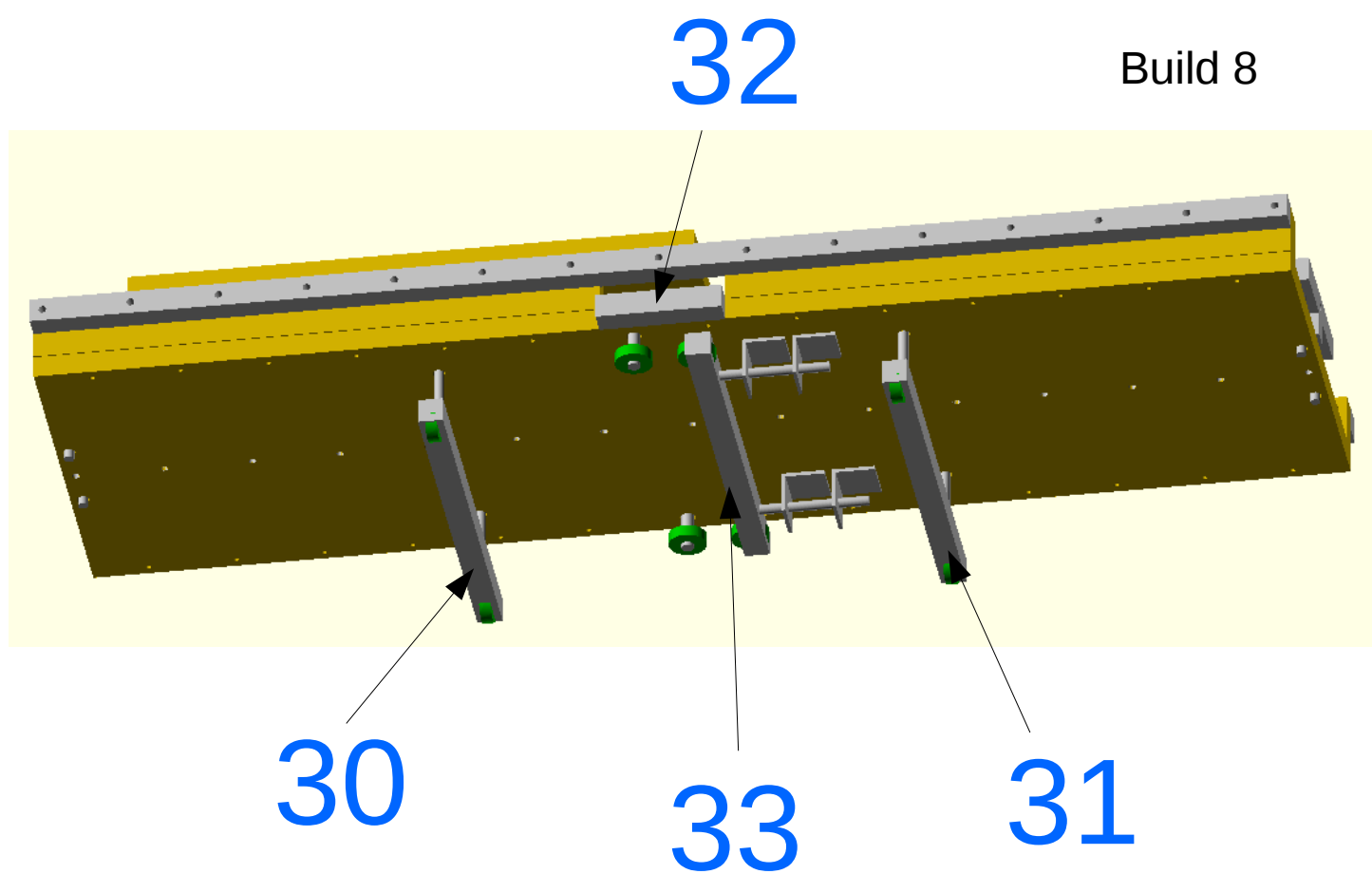
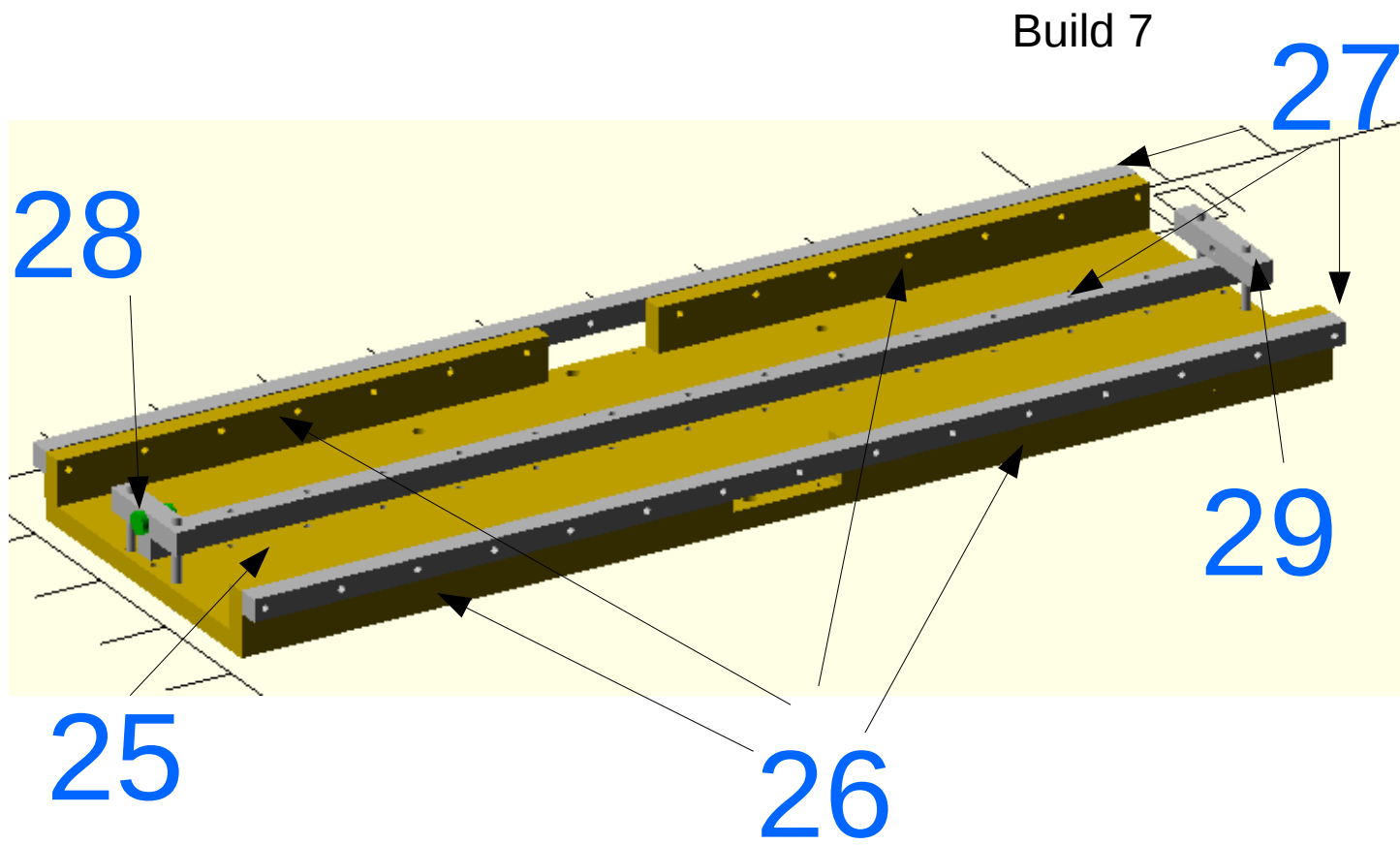
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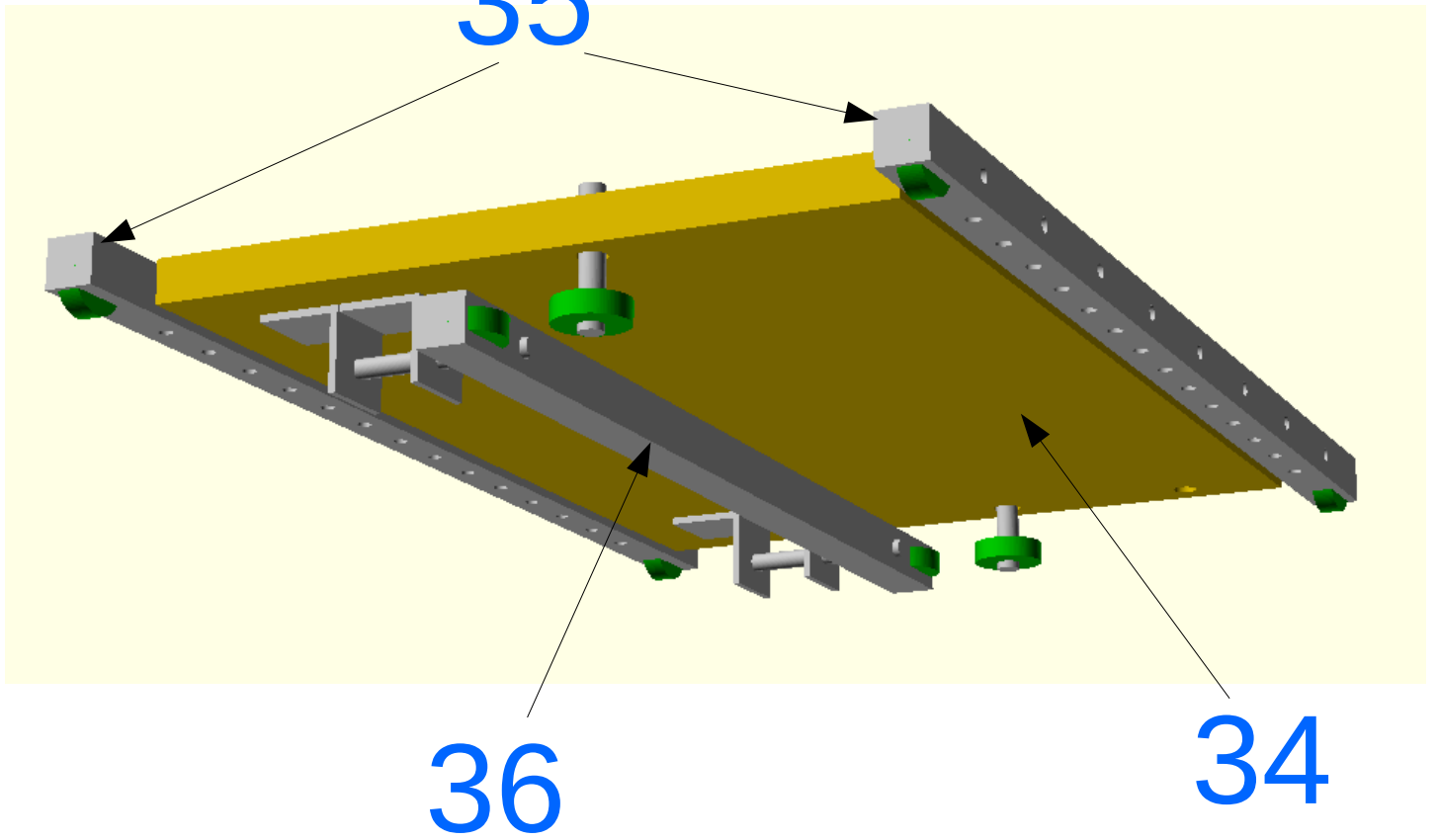


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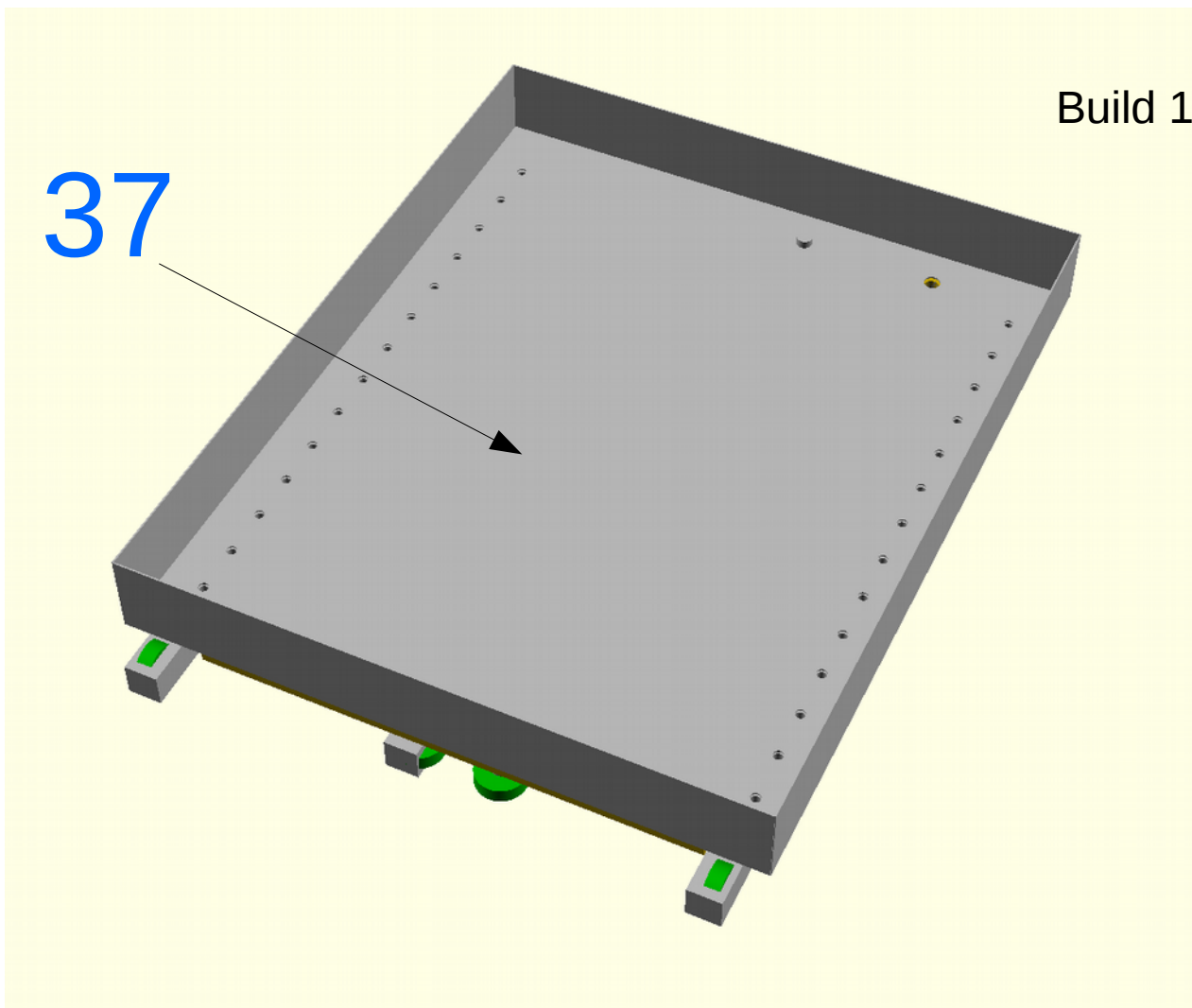




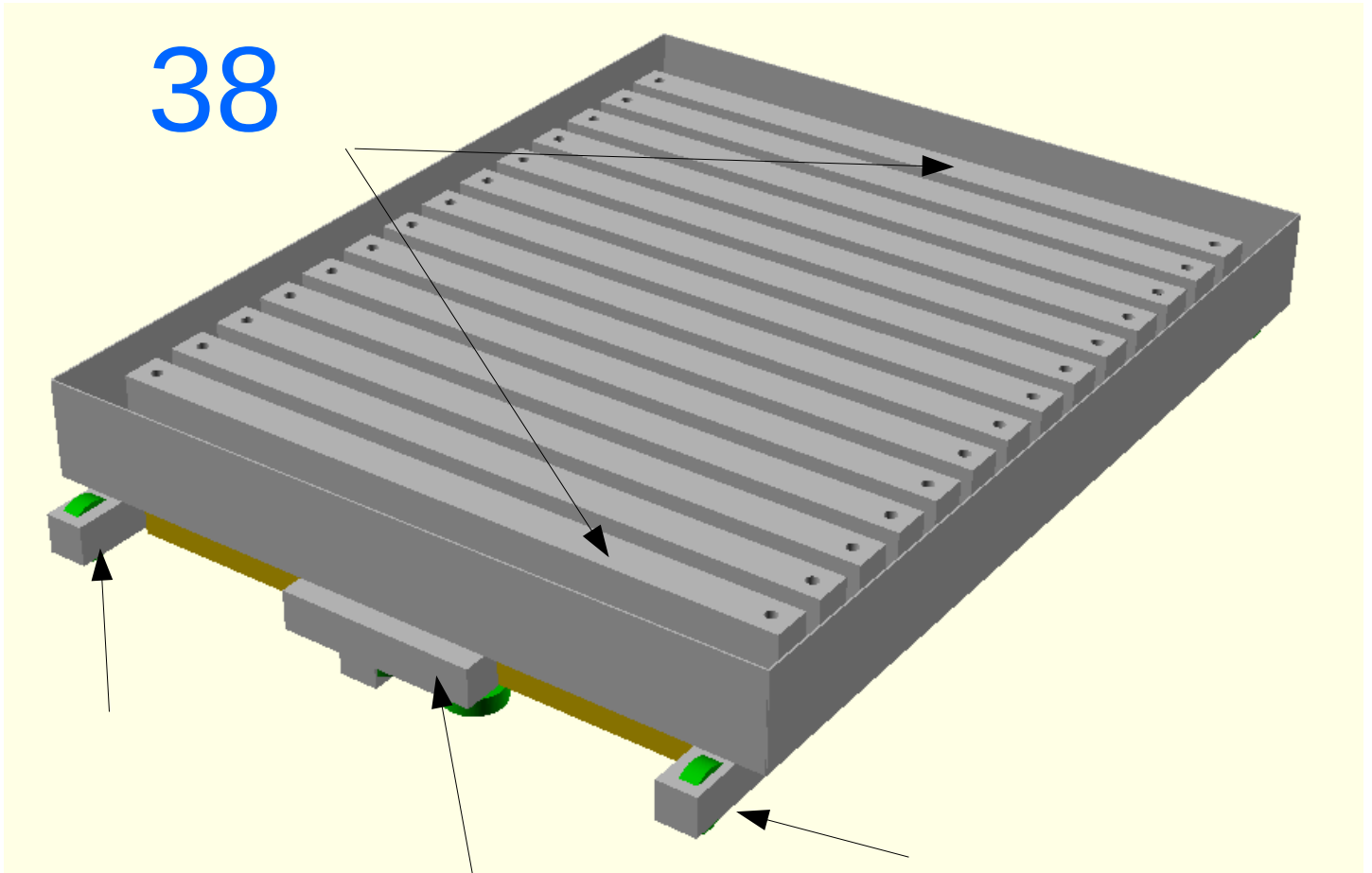
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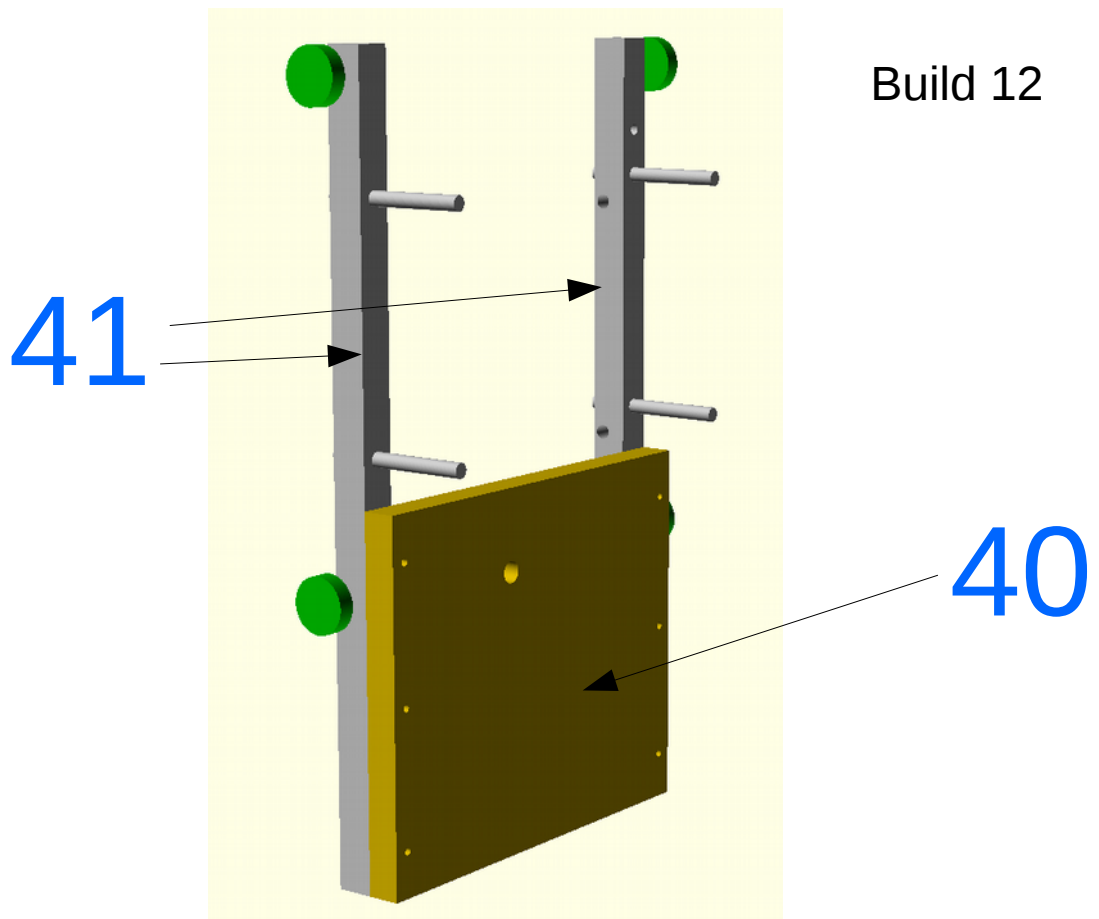
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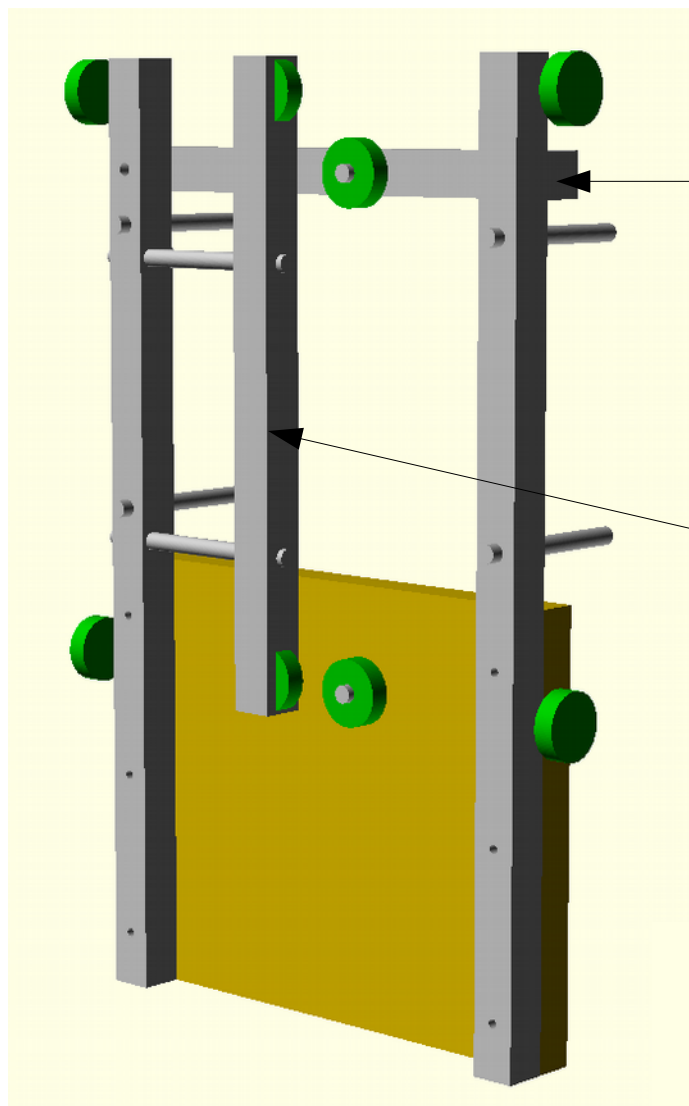
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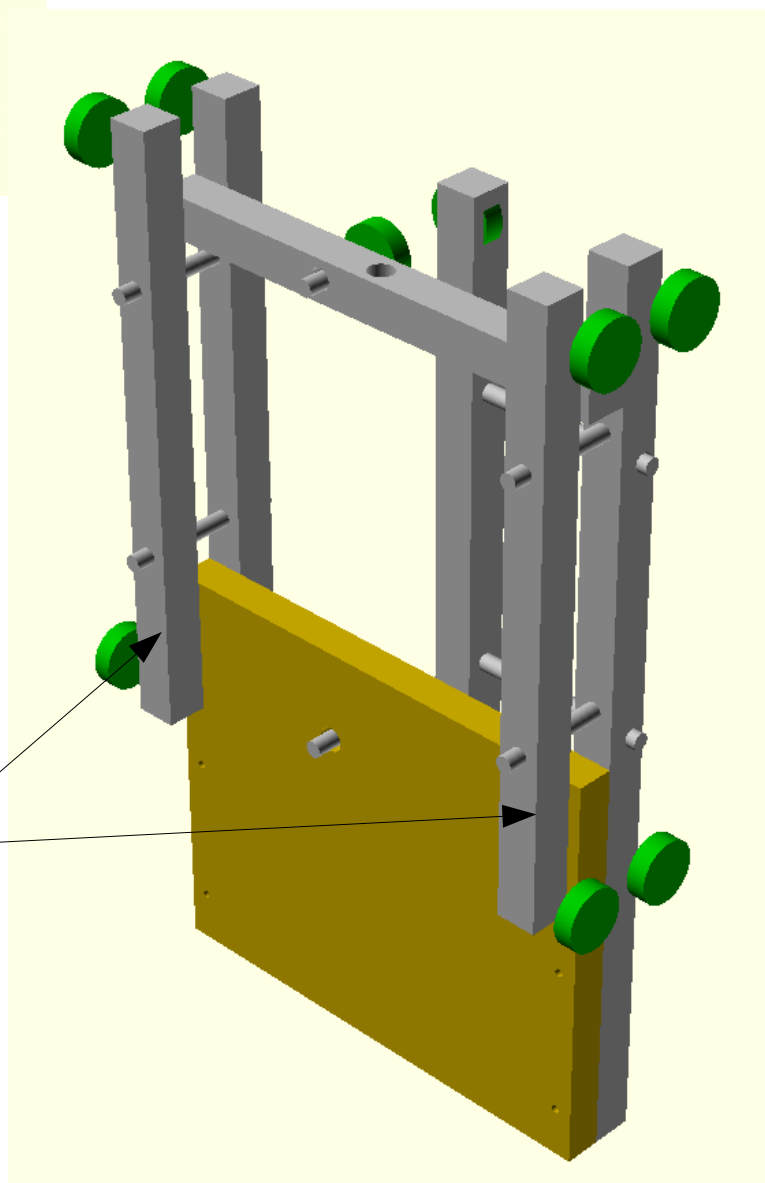


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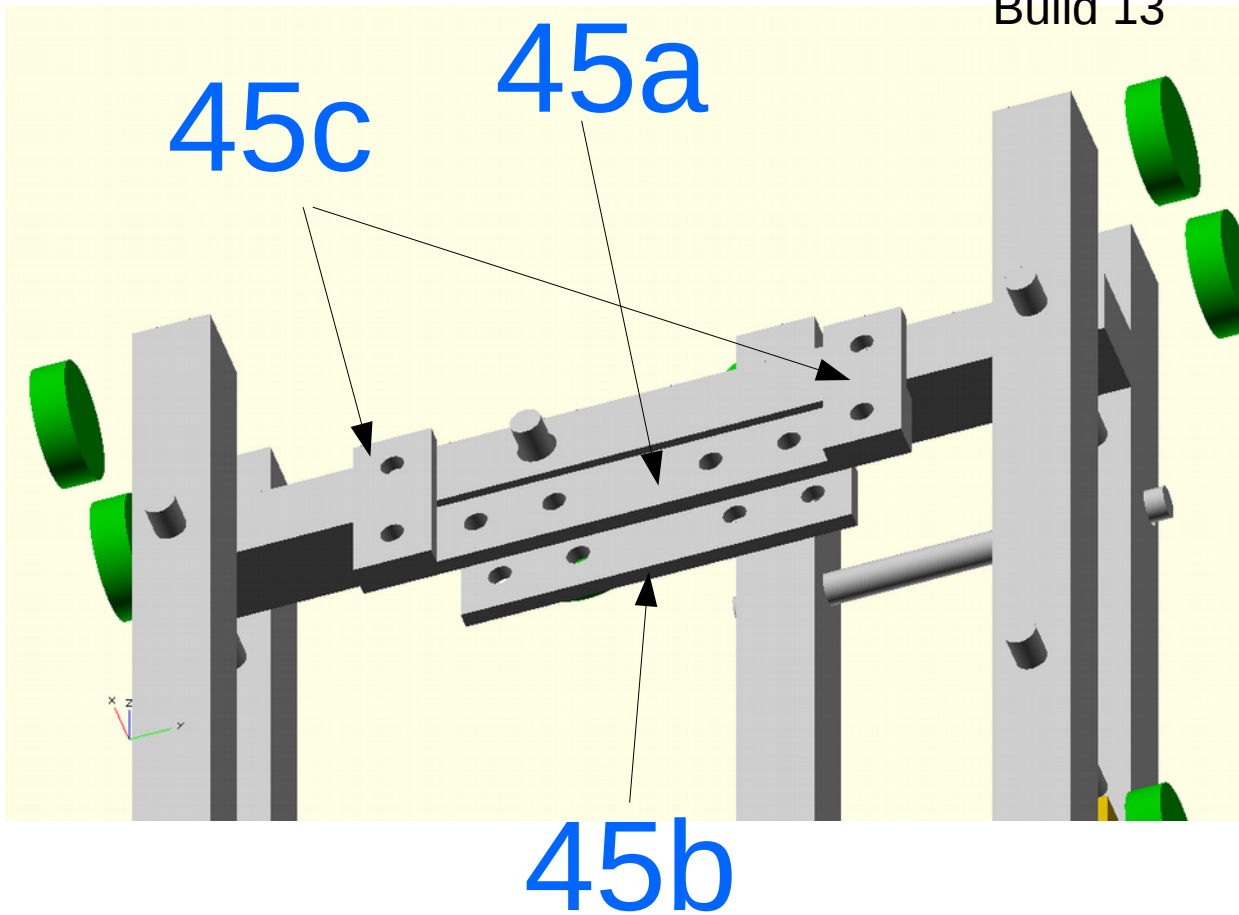


Photo 2

I have sealed the surface of the chipboard using candle wax and a hot air blower.



Photo 3

Approximately tea lights were needed in total for the mechanics. At this side view you can see that parts 9 and 14 "widened" by 20x40mm roof battens. (Almost) all parts of the mechanics are made from 300mm chipboard stripes to make cutting easy. Of course you can cut the two parts having a width of 340mm.



Photo 4

Some of the ball bearings are mounted at the ends of aluminum square tubes. To do so, I have drilled 12mm holes with a distance of 20mm from the edges and cut out the slots with a metal saw. Before that i have drilled 6mm holes for the axes of the ball bearings. The axes are at the bottom of the square tubes, not at the center.



Photo 5
The mount of the motor of the Z axis uses two gear wheels.
The motor could drive the threaded rod directly,...

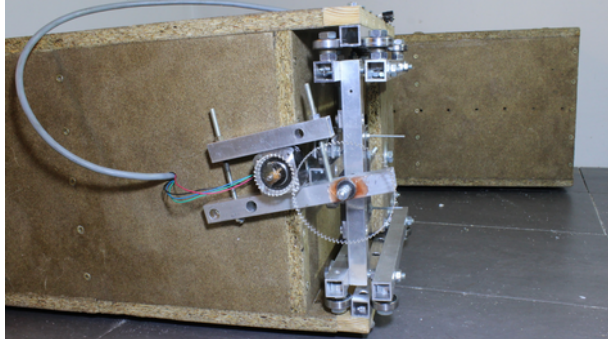


Photo 6
...however the low ceiling of my workshop doesn't allow that.

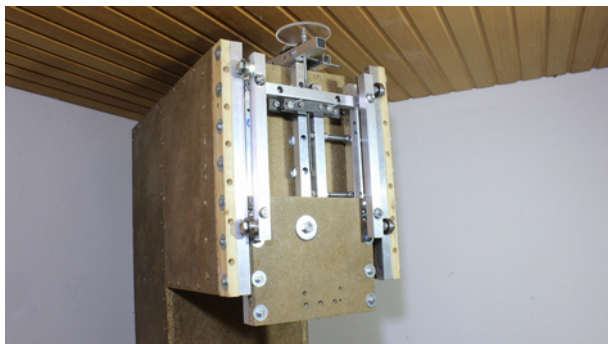


Photo 7
The guides of the Y axis.

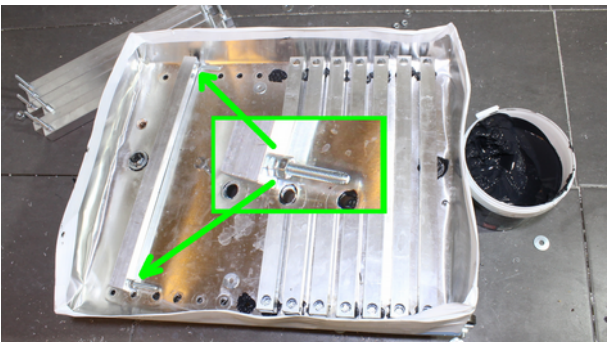


Photo 8
I have sealed all drill holes of the 0.5mm aluminum bowl
using silicone and washers. Two stacked M6 nuts are used
as spacers between the square tubes of the table and the bowl.



Photo 9
Bottom site of the X axis.

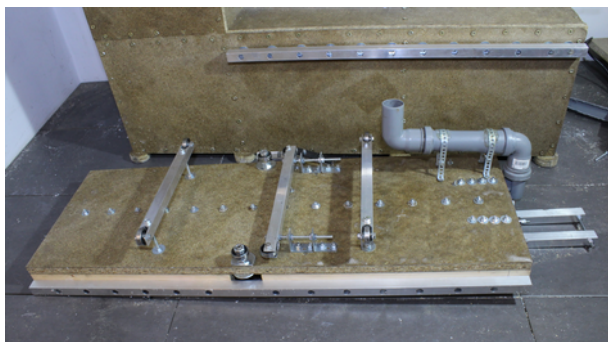


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Bottom side of the Y axis.

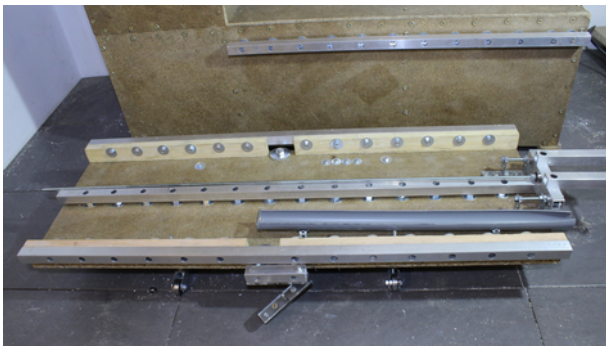


Photo 11
Top side of the Y axis.
M10 nuts are used as spacers at the center guide of the X axis.

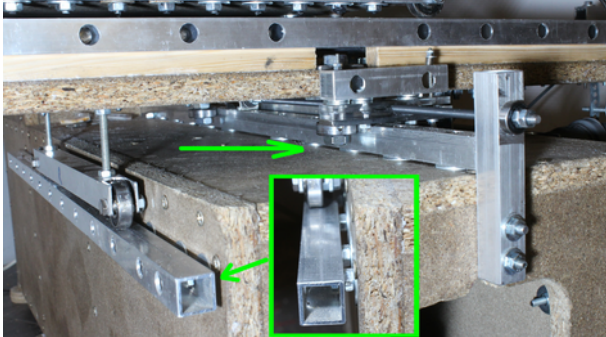


Photo 12
Two washers are used as spacers for the central guide of the X axis.
M8 nuts and washers are the spacers used at the two side guides.

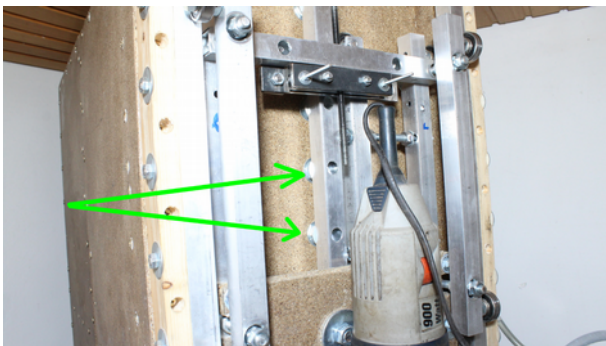


Photo 13
M10 nuts and washers are used as spacers
for the central guide of the Z axis.

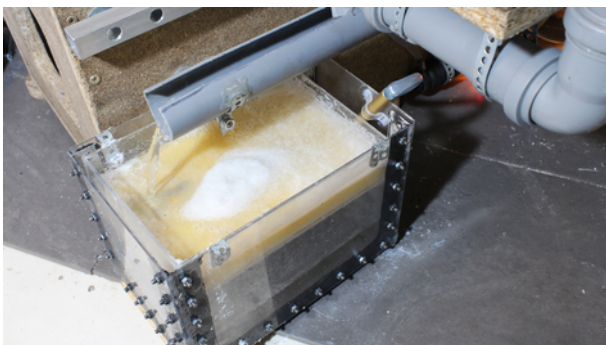


Photo 14
The reservoir of the coolant should have a capacity of at least 2L.
A piece of foam serves as filter.



Photo 15
The pump of a winscreen washer drives the coolant flow.
It's mounted on a deep point of the frame, because pressure
difference is low at the intake side. The hose on the outtake
must make a loop going below the level of the reservoir.
Otherwise the coolant level drops below the pump whenever
it is turned off and that type of pump doesn't work when it is dry.



Photo 16
The motor of the Y axis is clamped by two pieces of wood.
In a first attempt I was using weak stepper motors with
a piece of rubber tube as connector between motor shaft
and threaded rod.

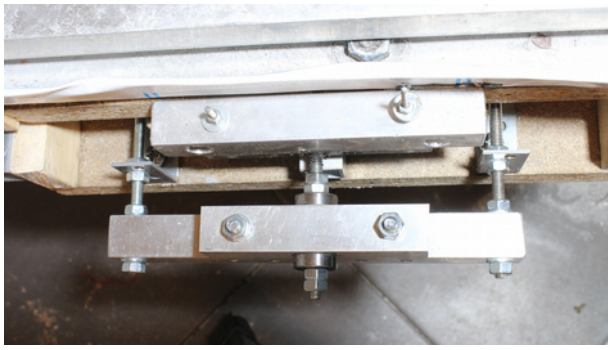


Photo 17

Mount of the X axis motor.

With the more powerful motors I am now using rubber tubes with steel enforcements, made for household water installations. The foam keeps motor vibrations away from the frame and so reduces noise clearly.

The motors are not connected tightly to the frame, but are able to move longitudinal and at right angles to the threaded rod.

The mechanics of this CNC is designed in such a way that you don't have to cut all parts with highest precision.

The motors form the "loose" end of the threaded rods.

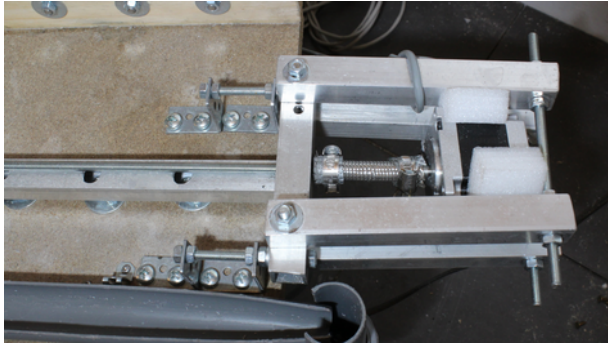


Photo 18

The fixed ends are connected with the mechanics through two ball bearings. Apply a bit of prestress to the bearings that are mounted on a square tube (x axis)...

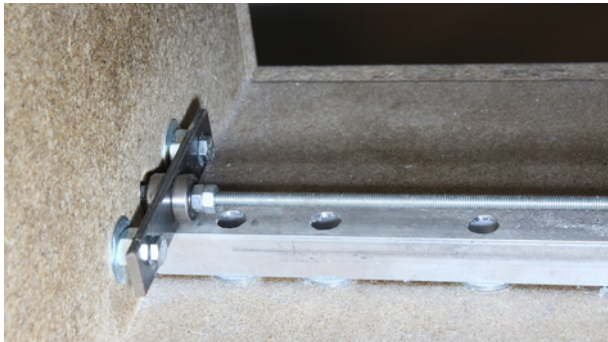


Photo 19

...or a 20x4mm flat steel bar.

Not enough prestress results in unwanted backlash, too much prestress means too high friction - its up to you to find the best balance.

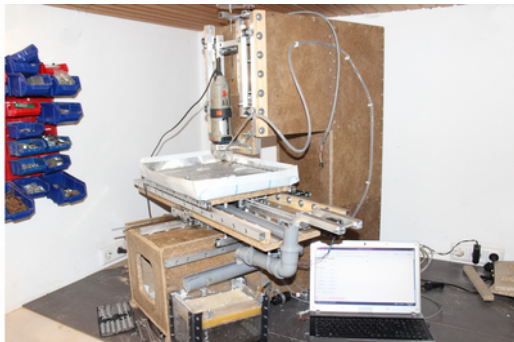


Photo 20

The frame is huge.

CNC v3.2.2 would not fit in my workshop if it was just a couple of centimeters higher.

It is also a heavy beast to move it to maker fairs...

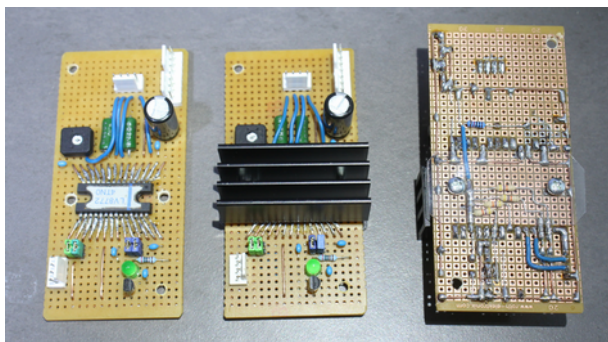


Photo 21

I am using ICs type LV8772 as motor drivers.