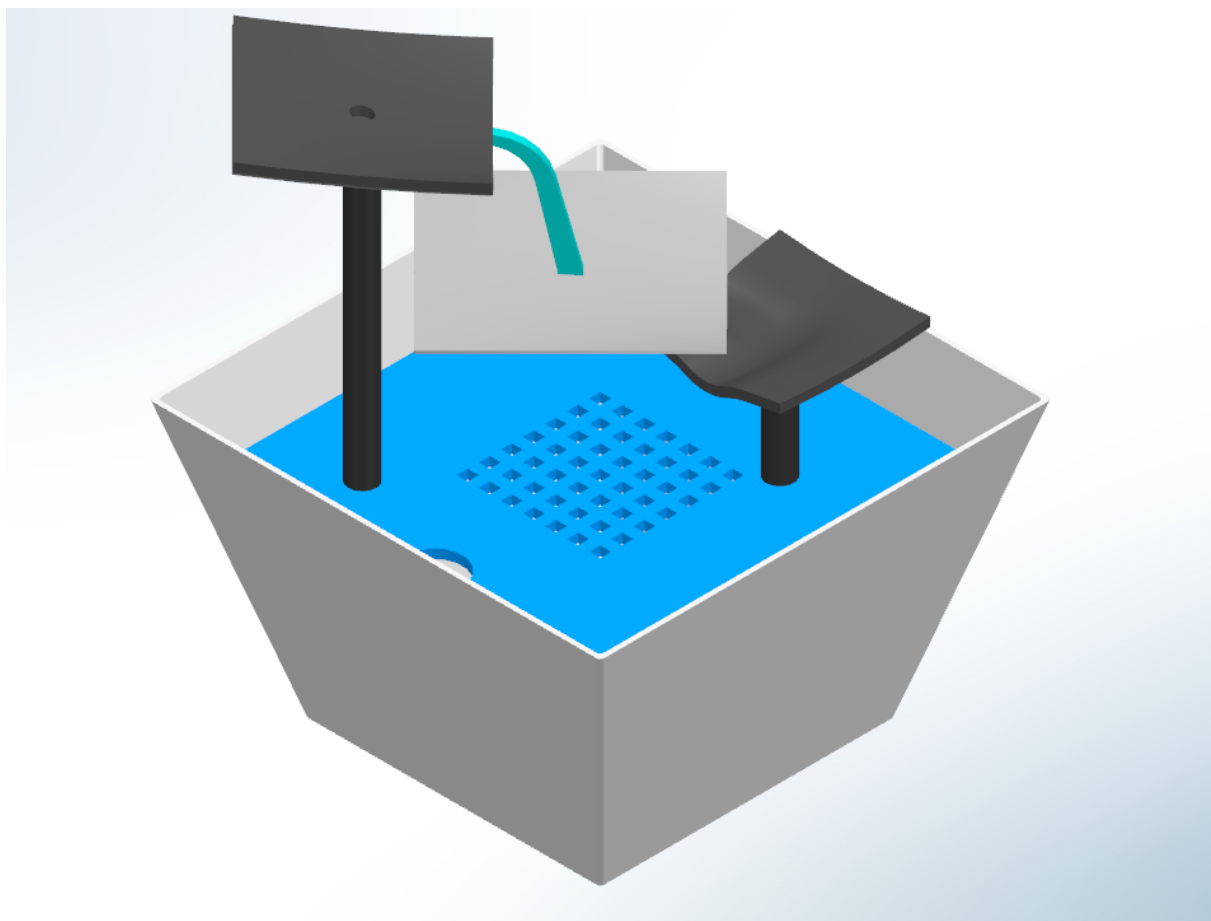


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## **Section 1: Executive Summary**



## 1.1 Executive Summary

The following Technical Data Package (TDP) contains the design, manufacturing, and assembly process of the *Magic Fountain* product. This TDP was created as a part of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute's Manufacturing Processes and Systems Laboratory course (MPS), which gives students hands-on manufacturing engineering experience in a real-world setting.

This course allows students to work as a team to design a manufacturing product concept. The team will apply a variety of manufacturing and assembly processes to complete this goal over the course of a semester. Given a budget of \$3,250 and all the tooling available in the Manufacturing Innovation Learning Laboratory (MILL), the team was tasked to make 300 copies of their product.

MPS Team C is the group of 10 students overseeing the *Magic Fountain's* development and production. They consist of mechanical, industrial and electrical engineers, both undergraduate and graduate students, with a wide variety of manufacturing experiences and leadership skills.

The *Magic Fountain* is a decorative desktop fountain with three bowls that allow water to cascade down. The product features a "floating bowl" concept that will grab the customer's attention. A clear bridge piece hangs from the top water bowl, supporting the middle bowl. When the fountain is powered, the bridge is surrounded by flowing water, giving the impression that the bowl is floating. The fountain is powered by a 5V submersible water pump with a USB connection. Each fountain should cost around \$10.11 to make, for a total of \$3,033.89 for all 300 copies.

The *Magic Fountain* has both manufactured and purchased parts. Manufactured parts include the basin, the water collection bowls, the pipes, the pump connector, the grate, and the bridge. The basin is vacuum-formed out of ABS plastic. The top bowl and end bowl that will be assembled onto the pipes are made out of injection-molded plastic. The bridge and grate are made out of laser-cut acrylic plastic. The middle bowl is made out of stainless steel. The pipes are made out of acrylic tubing. The pump connector is 3D printed out of ABS plastic via fused deposition modeling. Purchased parts include the USB connector, water pump, and decorative rocks.

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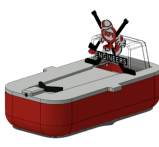


## **Section 2: Product Engineering**

## 2.1 Product Selection and Background

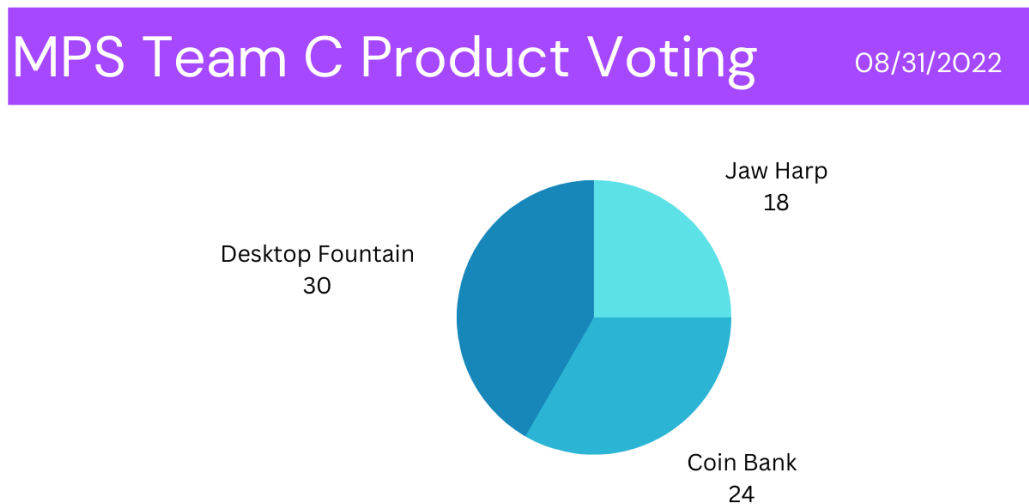
### 2.1.1 Product Selection

Out of many products proposed, MPS Team C voted on three in particular: the Hockey Coin Bank, the Desktop Fountain (which would later become the *Magic Fountain*), and the Jaw Harp & Case. The team used the Product Selection Matrix shown below (Table 2.1.1) to guide their discussion. To ensure that all the course learning objectives are met, the team's product selection matrix included the diversity of manufacturing methods as a key criterion. For each proposed idea, the manufacturing processes were assigned either a 1, meaning the process can be applied to the product, or a 0, meaning the process cannot be applied to the product. The team also included a section on the matrix for other key design factors, and gave them a numerical value ranging from 1 to 5. For the assembly, quality control, and design criteria, a rating of 1 meant the factor would be simple and easier to achieve and a rating of 5 meant higher complexity and more challenging.

**Table 2.1.1 Product Selection Matrix**

| Concept Name                                  |                       | Hockey Coin Bank  | Desktop Fountain   | Jaw Harp  |
|---|-----------------------|---|--|---|
| Concept Image                                 |                       |  |  |  |
| <b>Criterion 1:<br/>Manufacturing Methods</b> | Injection Molding     | 1   | 1  | 1   |
|   | Punching              | 0   | 0  | 1   |
|   | Machining             | 1   | 1  | 1   |
|   | Waterjet              | 1   | 1  | 1   |
|   | Metal Forming         | 0   | 1  | 1   |
|   | Vacuum Forming        | 1   | 1  | 0   |
|   | Electronics           | 1   | 1  | 0   |
| <b>Criterion 2:<br/>Key Design Factors</b>    | Assembly (1-5)        | 4   | 3  | 2   |
|   | Quality Control (1-5) | 2   | 3  | 4   |
|   | Design (1-5)          | 4   | 3  | 2   |
|   | Budget (1-5)          | 3   | 3  | 3   |
|   | Interest (1-5)        | 5   | 4  | 3   |

The team used the results from the Product Selection Matrix to support the final selection voting process, the results of which are presented in Figure 2.1.1 below.



**Figure 2.1.1 Product Voting Results**

Each team member gave their favorite idea 3 votes, their second favorite idea 2 votes, and their least favorite idea 1 vote. As seen in Figure 2.1.1, the final concept choice was the Desktop Fountain with 30 total votes.

### **2.1.2 Product Background**

A desktop fountain provides calming white noise and an appealing sight in what might otherwise be a dreary workspace. MPS Team C based their product design around aesthetics, functionality, cost, and ease of manufacture.

## **2.2 Benchmarking**

Desktop or tabletop water fountains exist in many different variations. They are widespread and readily available via both online and physical retailers. Amazon alone pulls over 500 results when searching ‘desktop water fountain’ on their online market. Retailers such as Walmart and Target also stock similar products. Retail prices of desktop fountains range from \$30 to over \$300. The price point affects the materials used and the complexity of the features.

Figures 2.2.1 to 2.2.3 show some of the team's benchmarking efforts. The team tried to identify key features of existing products that could be implemented into their final design.

Many of the lower price fountains contained a three tier or three bowl design which the team liked for its symmetry. All the basins were similar, having either a square or round bowl shape. The bowls were most commonly supported by either sticks or posts (see Figure 2.2.1). In other designs, they were connected to pillars or ledges (see Figure 2.2.2). The team also had interest in an arch with a waterfall design (see Figure 2.2.3) and a staircase design around a post or up a wall.



**Figure 2.2.1 HoMedics Indoor Tabletop Water Fountain**

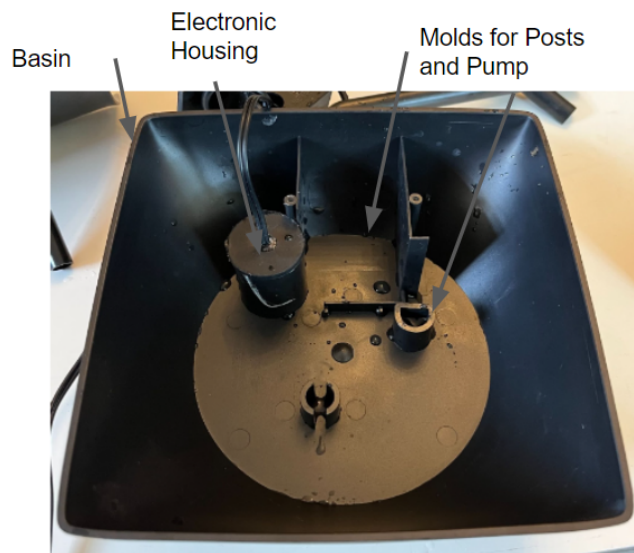
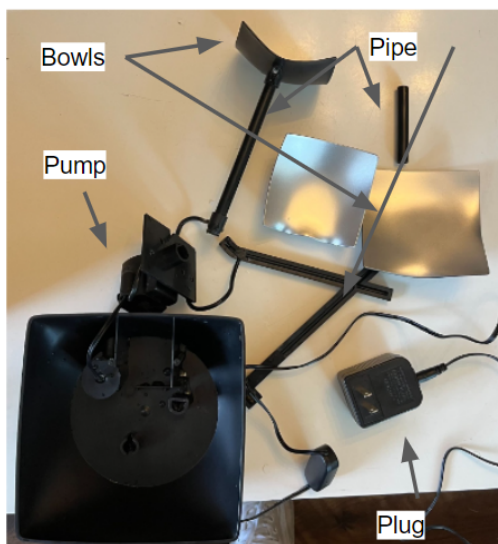


**Figure 2.2.2 Durmmur 4-Tier Tabletop Small Water Fountain**



**Figure 2.2.3 Nature's Mark 10" H Mirrored Waterfall Light Show Tabletop Water Fountain**

To better align their benchmarking efforts with the planned product and budget, the team kept the benchmarking products in the \$30 to \$40 range. The fountain shown in Figure 2.2.1 was available on Amazon. The team bought it to deconstruct and to better understand the internal mechanisms. All of the fountain parts are made entirely out of plastic, most likely via multiple plastic injection molds. Figure 2.2.4 shows the disassembled fountain.



**Figure 2.2.4 Disassembled HoMedics Indoor Tabletop Water Fountain (Figure 2.2.1)**

Multiple pieces fit together via press fit. Molds in the bottom of the basin fit the pipes and house the pump. The team liked the idea of implementing press fit and molded fittings in their basin. Table 2.2 breaks down a few of the metrics of the benchmarked fountains.

**Table 2.2: Benchmarking Features of *Magic Fountain***

|                                     | <b>RPI <i>Magic Fountain</i></b>         | <b>HoMedics Indoor Tabletop Water Fountain</b> | <b>Durmmur 4-Tier Tabletop Small Water Fountain</b> | <b>Nature's Mark 10" H Mirrored Waterfall Light Show Tabletop Water Fountain</b> |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| <b>Features</b>                     | Floating bowl design, metal plate, rocks | 3 curved plates, 2 LEDs, and rocks             | 4 bowls, LEDs, rocks, adjustable flow rate          | Mirror with water flowing down it, LEDs with changing colors                     |
| <b>Price</b>                        | \$34.99                                  | \$34.99  | \$27.99   | \$39.99  |
| <b>Assembled Product Dimensions</b> | 6 x 6 x 8 inches                         | 8.1 x 7.25 x 8.25 inches                       | 6 x 5 x 8 inches                                    | 6 x 4 x 10.1 inches  |
| <b>Prominent Materials Used</b>     | Plastic, metal, Stones                   | Plastic  | EPMC, plastic                                       | Plastic  |
| <b>Power Source</b>                 | USB power supply                         | Power cord                                     | USB power supply                                    | Power cord   |



## 2.3. Design and Features

### 2.3.1 Overview

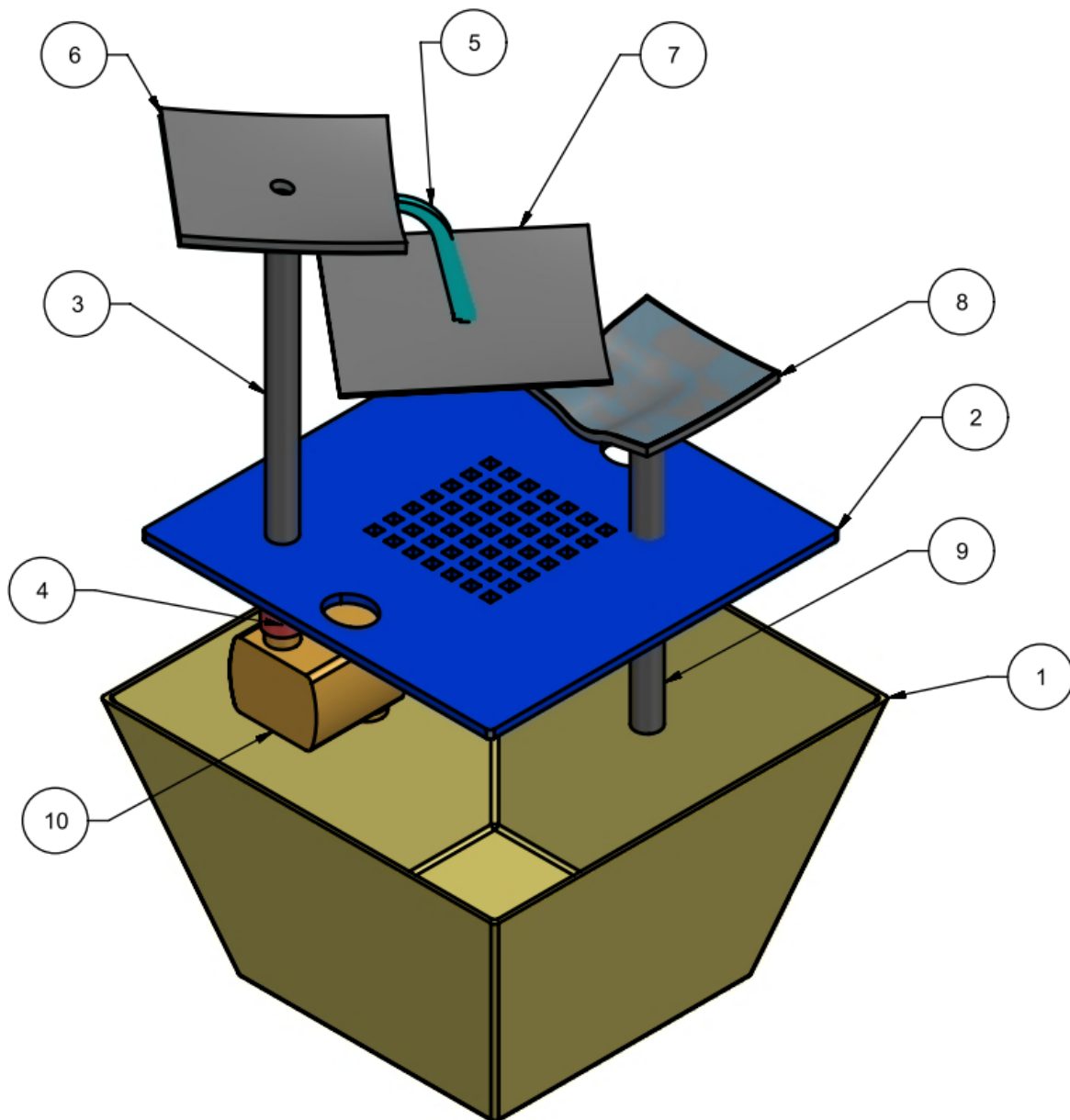


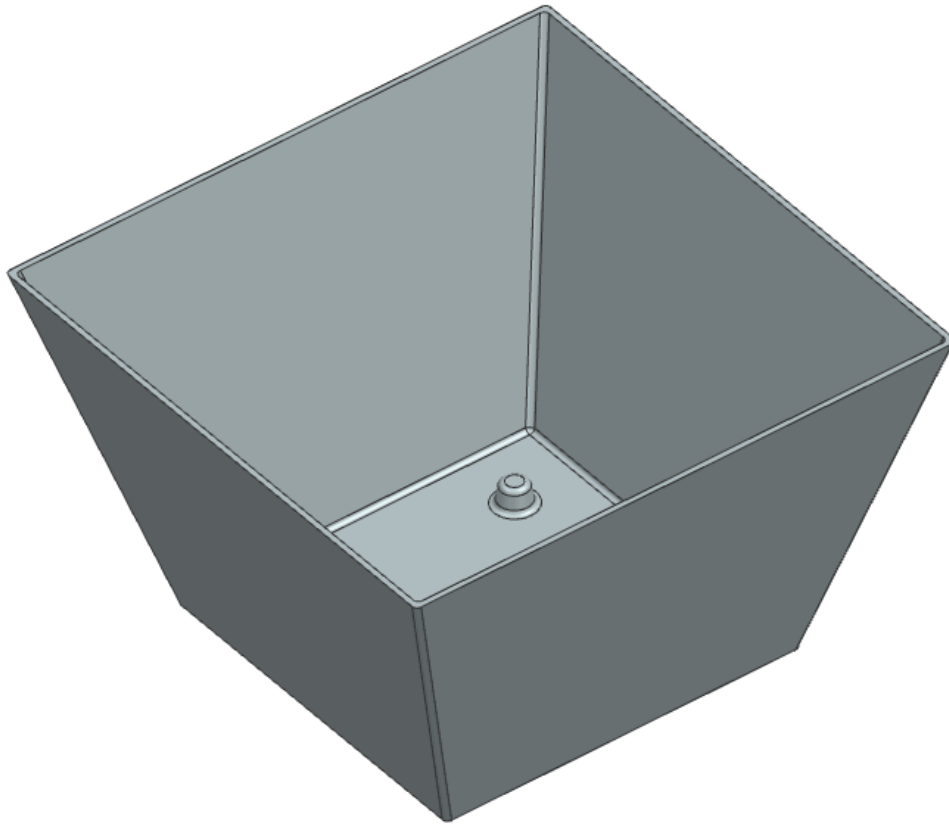
Figure 2.3.1 Exploded View of *Magic Fountain*

**Table 2.3.1 Guide to Exploded View of *Magic Fountain***

| Part |                |    |             |
|------|----------------|----|-------------|
| 1    | Basin          | 6  | Top Bowl    |
| 2    | Grate          | 7  | Middle Bowl |
| 3    | Tall Pipe      | 8  | End Bowl    |
| 4    | Pump Connector | 9  | Short Pipe  |
| 5    | Bridge         | 10 | Pump        |

The *Magic Fountain* is a desktop-sized water fountain, roughly 6 x 6 x 8 inches in size. The fountain consists of a basin, a grate, two pipes, a bridge, three bowls, a pump, and a pump connector. The basin of the fountain is watertight and holds all the other components. A grate rests inside the basin, which secures two pipes and the pump in place. Three bowls cascade the water down. The top and end bowls are attached to the two pipes, which in turn are held in place by the holes in the grate and a dimple in the basin. The middle bowl is attached to the top bowl via a clear plastic bridge. The pump draws water from the basin through the pump connector, which has a hole to bleed off excess water pressure. The water travels up the taller of the pipes and expels it into the top bowl. The water then cascades through the three bowls, returning to the basin. Aesthetic features of this product include a plaque displaying product sponsors and rocks that sit on top of the grate.

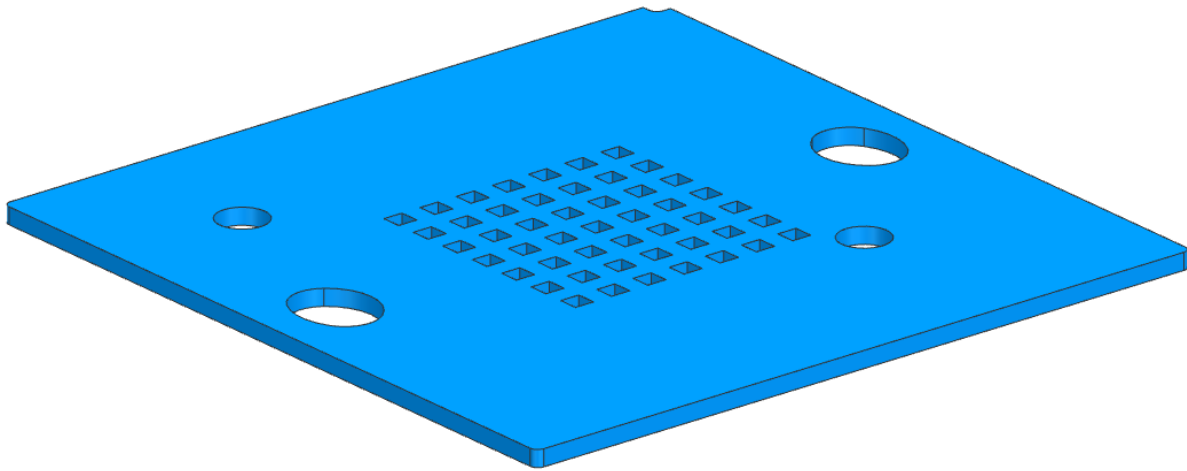
### 2.3.2 Basin



**Figure 2.3.2 Basin**

The basin holds all the components, along with the water. It is a tapered square bowl made from textured black ABS plastic with a side length of 6 inches at the top and 4 inches at the bottom and a height of 3.5 inches. A dimple in one corner of the basin supports the short pipe.

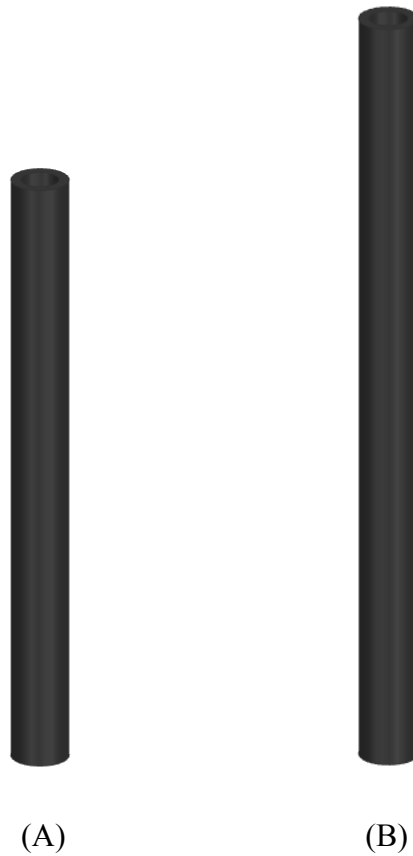
### 2.3.3 Grate



**Figure 2.3.3 Grate**

The grate holds the pipes and the pump in place. It is made of clear acrylic plastic with a side length of 5 inches. It sits halfway down in the basin. Water passes through the grate holes into the bottom of the basin where the pump rests. The pipes fit through two holes in the grate and are stabilized by the grate, the pump, and a dimple in the bottom of the basin. Two large finger holes are used to lift out the grate for cleaning purposes.

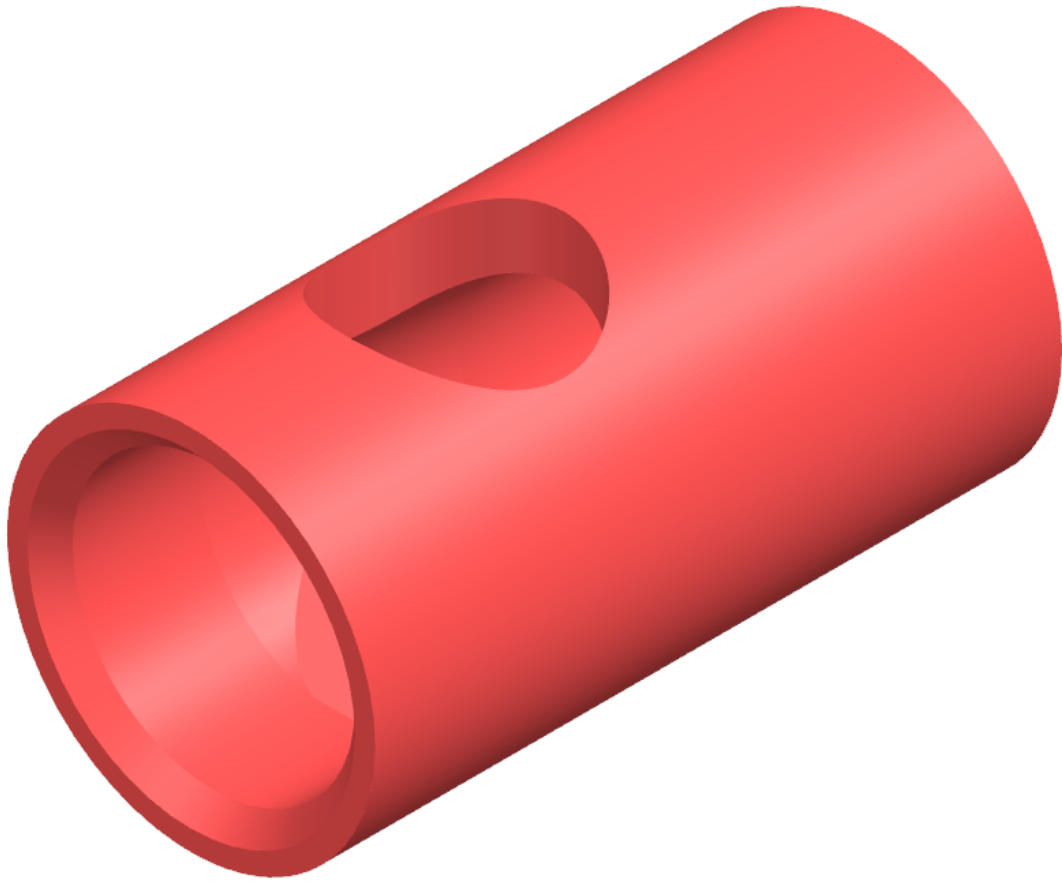
### 2.3.4 Pipes



**Figure 2.3.4 Short Pipe (A), Tall Pipe (B)**

The pipes are made of black acrylic pipe that is cut to length and chamfered. Tall Pipe (B) has a height of 5.5 inches, and Short Pipe (A) has a height of 3.9875 inches. Tall Pipe (B) is attached to the pump via the pump connector, and water is pumped up through it. Stainless steel pipes were also a considered option, but plastic pipes are lighter and cheaper while also avoiding corrosion issues.

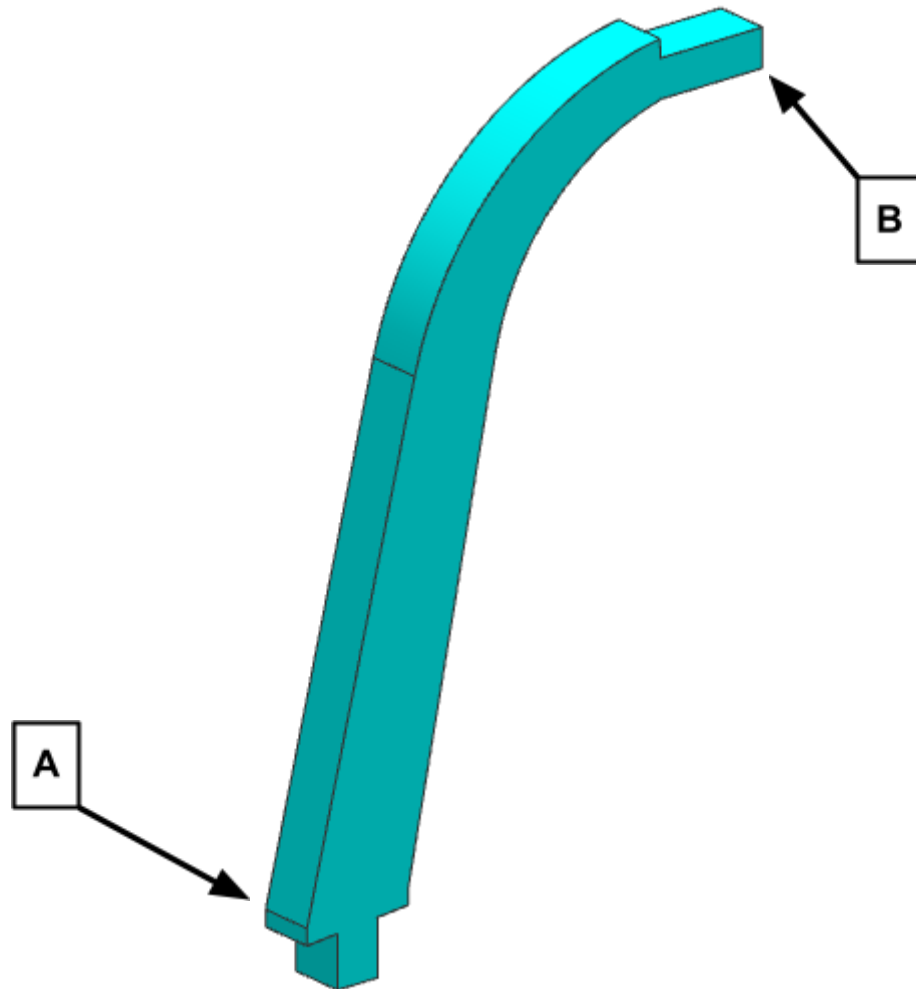
### 2.3.5 Pump Connector



**Figure 2.3.5: Pump Connector**

The pump connector connects the pump to the tall pipe. It has a bleed-off hole through which excess water pressure is relieved such that water reaching the top of the fountain does not shoot out forcefully. It is composed of fused deposition modeling 3D printed black ABS plastic.

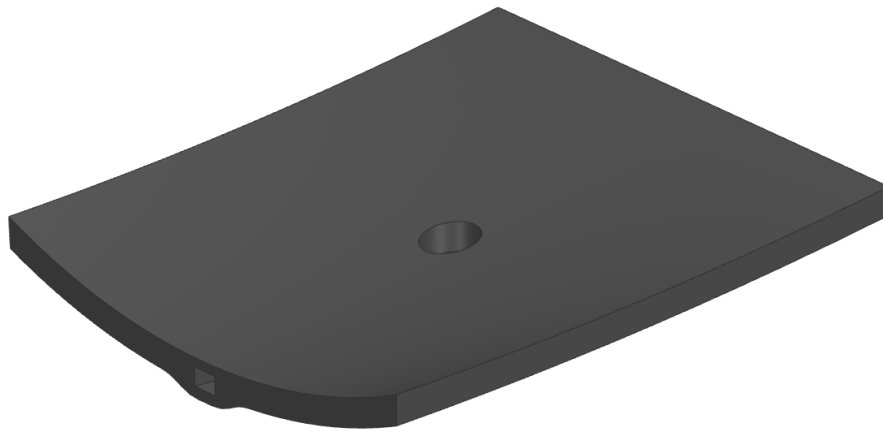
### 2.3.6 Bridge



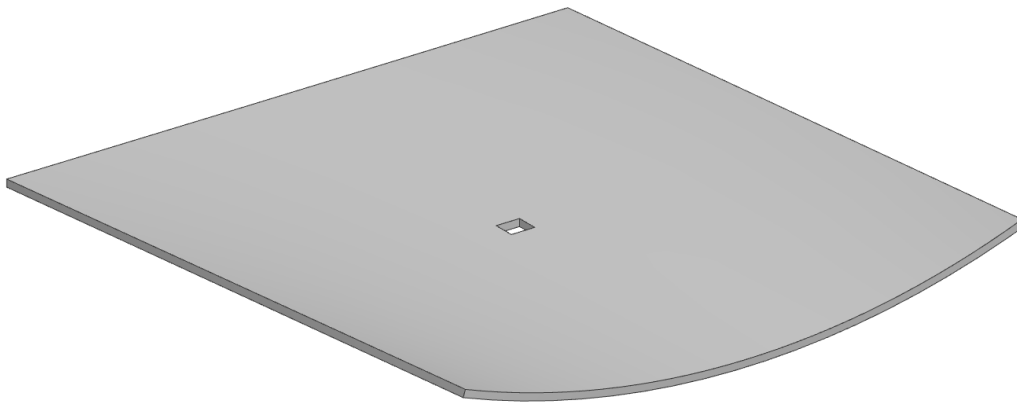
**Figure 2.3.6 Bridge**

The bridge is a piece of clear acrylic plastic with a peg at each end to attach it to the top and middle bowls. Water runs around the bridge and obscures it from view, making it appear as though the middle bowl is floating. Bridge end B attaches to the top bowl (bowl A, see Figure 2.3.7) via overmolding of the top bowl around the pre-existing bridge. Bridge end A fits into a slot in the middle bowl (bowl B, see Figure 2.3.7) that is then heat-staked to attach it to the middle bowl. The bridge is laser cut from clear acrylic plastic.

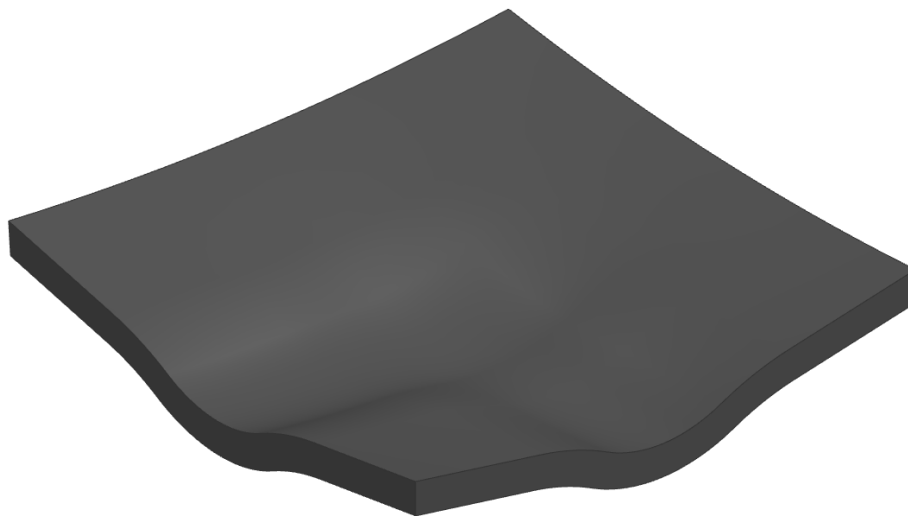
### 2.3.7 Bowls



(A)



(B)



(C)

Figure 2.3.7 Top Bowl (A), Middle Bowl (B), End Bowl (C)



The three bowls carry the water down the fountain. The middle (Figure 2.3.7 B) bowl is made of stainless steel, whereas the top (Figure 2.3.7 A) and end (Figure 2.3.7 C) bowls are made of silver plastic. The top bowl has a hole through which water is pumped. Water cascades over the edges of the bowls.

### **2.3.8 Electronics**

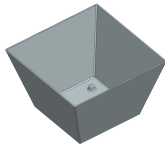
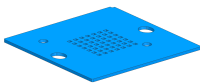

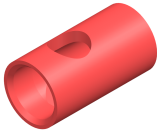



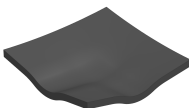
The electronics package for the *Magic Fountain* consists of a purchased submersible water pump powered by a USB cord. The pump draws water directly up the tallest pipe and out of a hole in the center of the topmost bowl.

## 2.4. Proposed Manufacturing Methods

### 2.4.1 Overview

The *Magic Fountain* consists of multiple parts. In the proposed design, both sheet metal and plastics are manufactured by a variety of different methods to meet the course requirements.

Table 2.4: Manufacturing Overview

| Part |                |   | Material                        | Proposed Manufacturing Method |
|------|----------------|---|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1    | Basin          |    | ABS Plastic                     | Vacuum Forming                |
| 2    | Grate          |   | Acrylic Sheet                   | Laser Cutting                 |
| 3, 9 | Pipes          |  | Acrylic Tube                    | Cutting with Bandsaw          |
| 4    | Pump Connector |  | ABS Plastic                     | 3D Printing                   |
| 5    | Bridge         |  | Acrylic Sheet                   | Laser Cutting                 |
| 6    | Top Bowl       |  | ABS Plastic                     | Plastic Injection Molding     |
| 7    | Middle Bowl    |  | 20-Gauge<br>304 Stainless Steel | Sheet Metal Forming           |
| 8    | End Bowl       |  | ABS Plastic                     | Plastic Injection Molding     |

### **2.4.2 Basin**

The basin is an integral piece of the design. It is the structural foundation of the fountain and houses the pump and reserve water. Multiple manufacturing methods were discussed, such as plastic injection-molding, sheet metal forming, milling, and vacuum formed ABS plastic. Plastic injection-molding was rejected due to the size of the potential mold as well as the need of more than a single mold which would jeopardize budget. Milling was rejected due to wasted material and high cost. Sheet metal forming was a close second but was ultimately found to be too expensive. Therefore the proposed manufacturing method for this part is vacuum formed sheets of ABS plastic. Vacuum forming was selected due to its cheap implementation and low material cost.

### **2.4.3 Grate**

The grate holds the two pipes in place. It is a flat plate with holes for the pipes and water to pass through. Since the grate is thin and flat, it is composed of laser-cut acrylic. Laser cutting allows for fast and accurate cuts in thin material and will allow many components to be made in quick succession.

### **2.4.4 Pipes**

The pipes are cut from acrylic tubing. A hydraulic band saw is used to quickly cut the pipe to length, and a jig quickly positions the stock at the proper length between cuts. Initially, sleeves were part of the design to help support the pipes, but they were deemed unnecessary and removed.

### **2.4.5 Pump Connector**

The pump connector is 3D printed out of ABS plastic using fused deposition modeling. The shape of the connector, particularly the notch inside of it, could not be easily machined from preexisting tubing. 3D printing allows for internal features to be added easily, and the part is small enough for many to be printed simultaneously.

### **2.4.6 Bridge**

The bridge secures the middle water bowl to the top bowl. The manufacturing methods proposed for this part were plastic injection molding and laser cutting. Laser cutting would allow many parts to be made quickly, but would lack the ability to add nuanced features. Plastic injection molding could create parts with curved 3D geometry. Ultimately, laser cutting clear acrylic plastic was chosen as the part is not overly complex and can be represented by an extrusion of a 2D geometry. Acrylic plastic was chosen because it can be laser cut without issue and is easy to heat-stake.

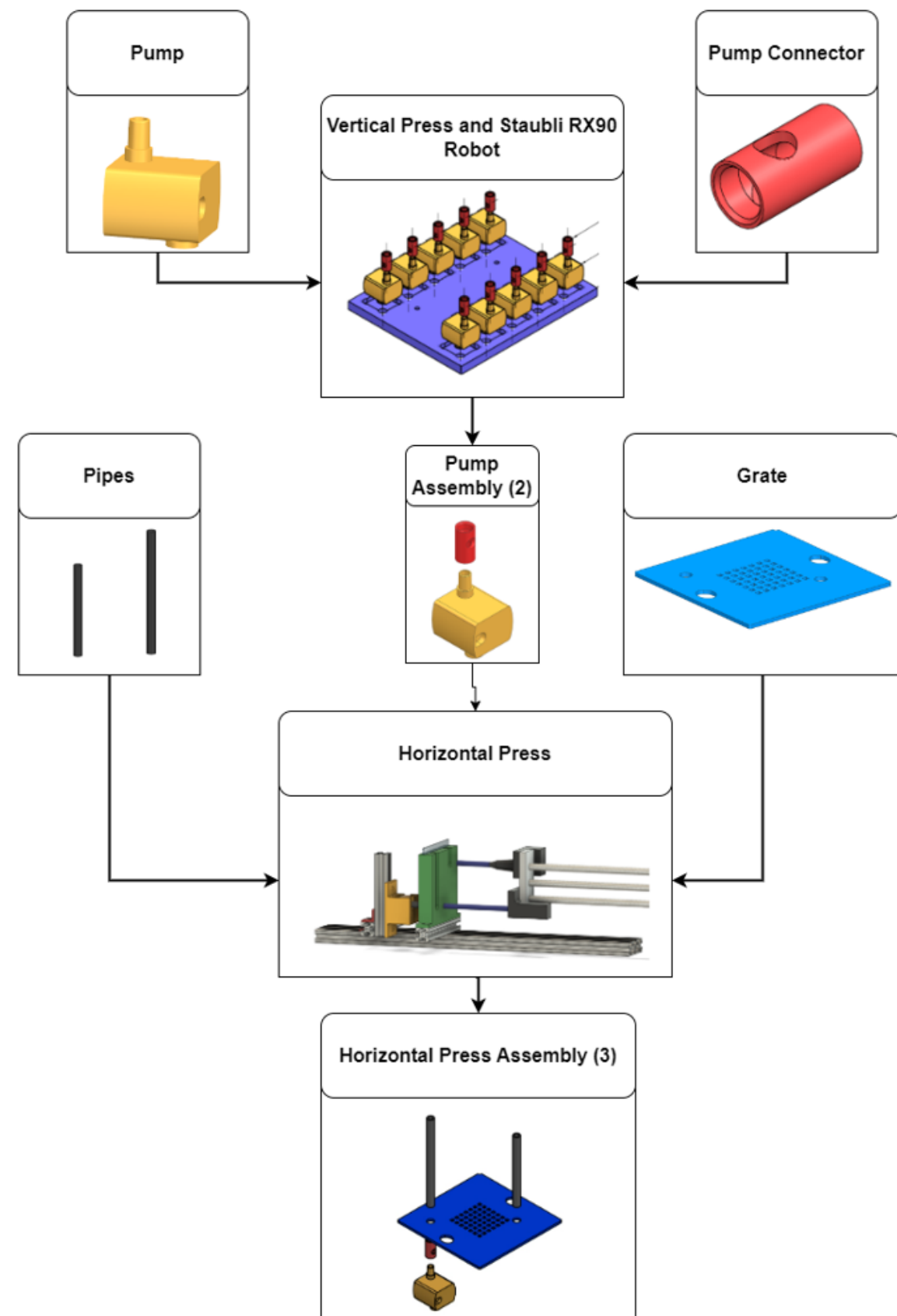
#### **2.4.7 Top and End Bowls**

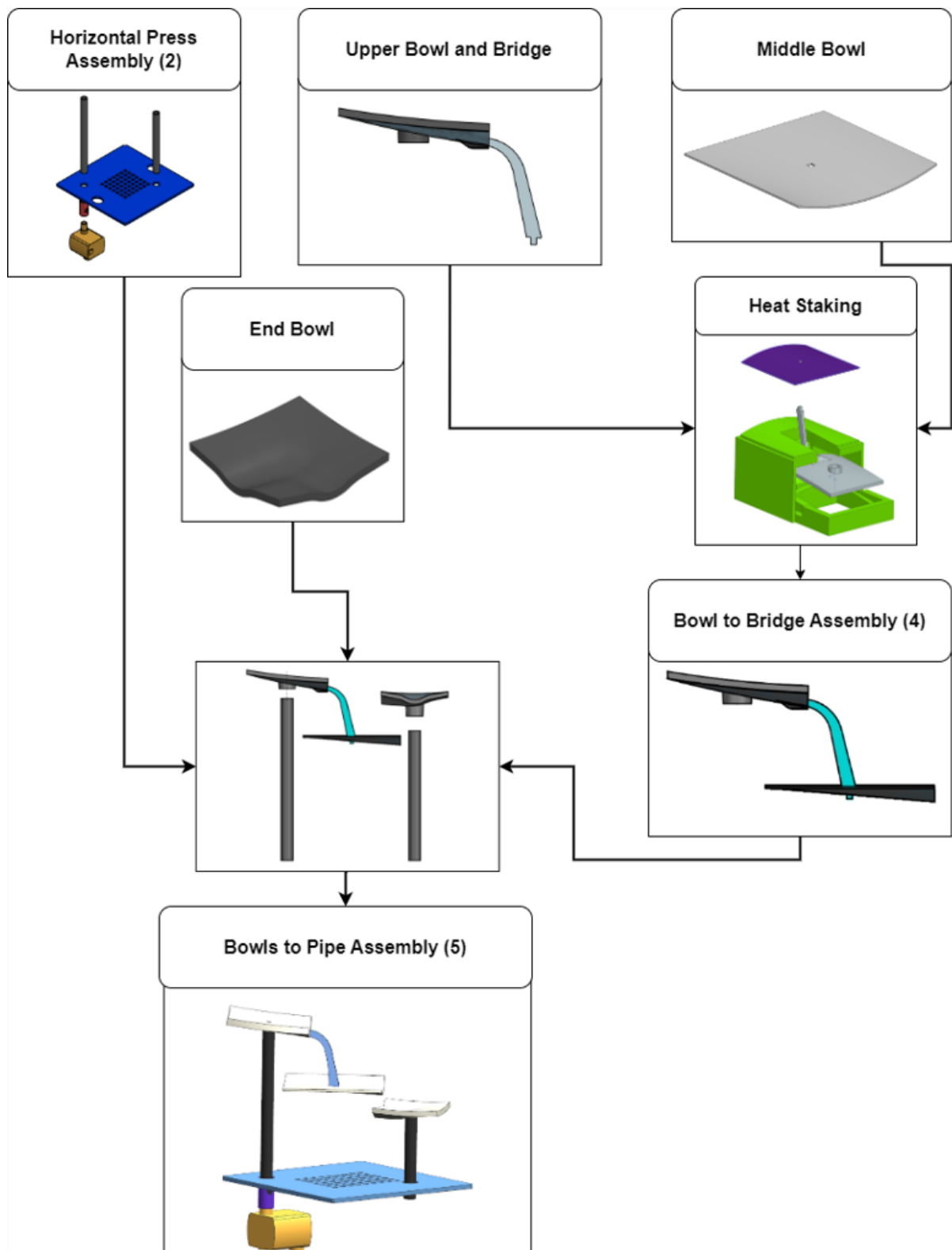
The manufacturing methods proposed for these parts were sheet metal stamping and plastic injection molding. Sheet metal stamping initially seemed like a great idea as the team loved the aesthetic of metal bowls. The inability to easily attach the sheet metal to the plastic piping and lack of budget for more metal ultimately led to the method being rejected. Therefore, plastic injection molding will be employed to manufacture these parts. Plastic injection molding with ABS plastic allows for an intricate design at a low cost, and the bowls will be press fit to the support columns. The team switched from using a metallic-colored plastic to a variety of red, brown and a mixture of pellets that produces a rust color. This matches the color of the rocks and adds to the product's aesthetics.

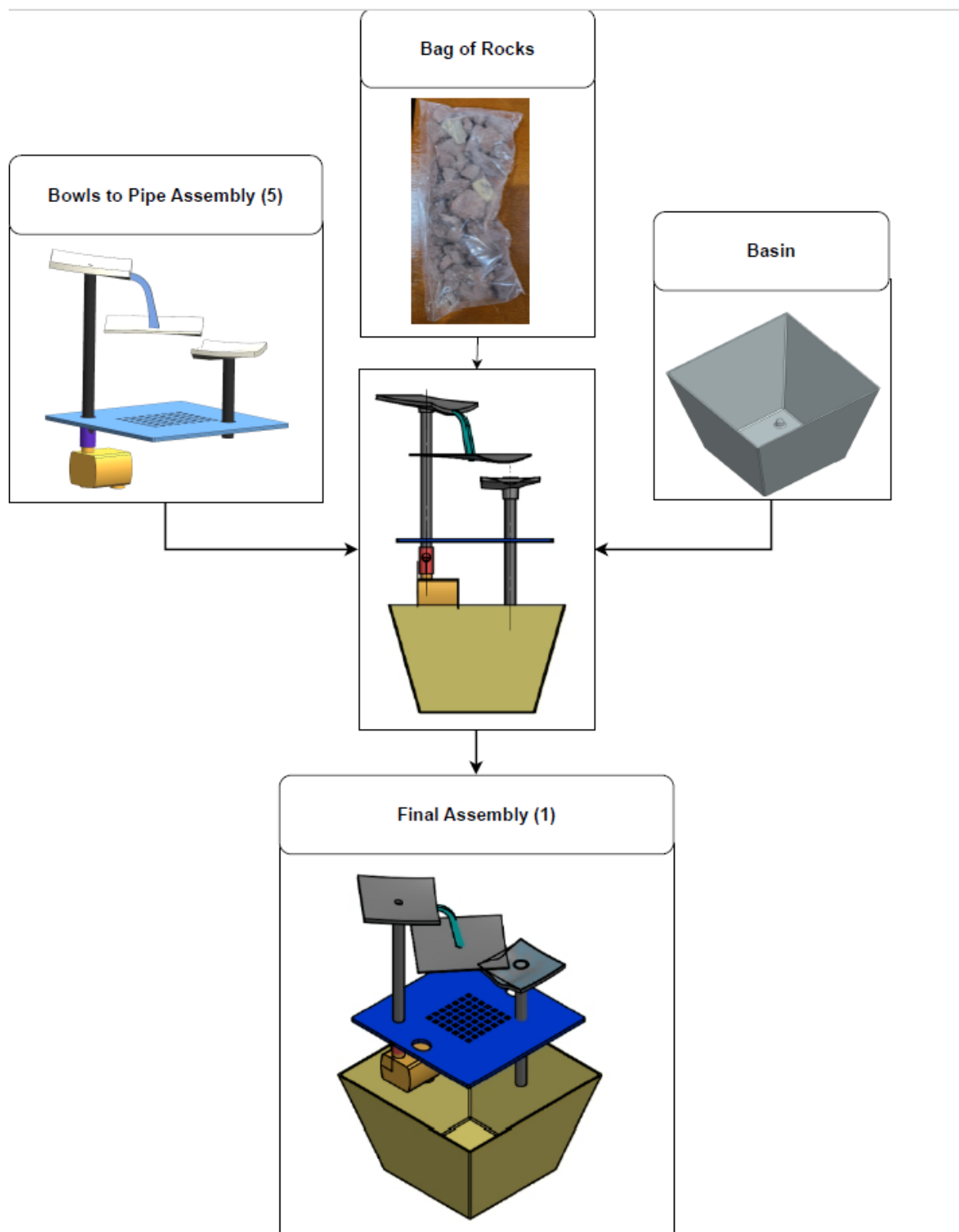
#### **2.4.8 Middle Bowl**

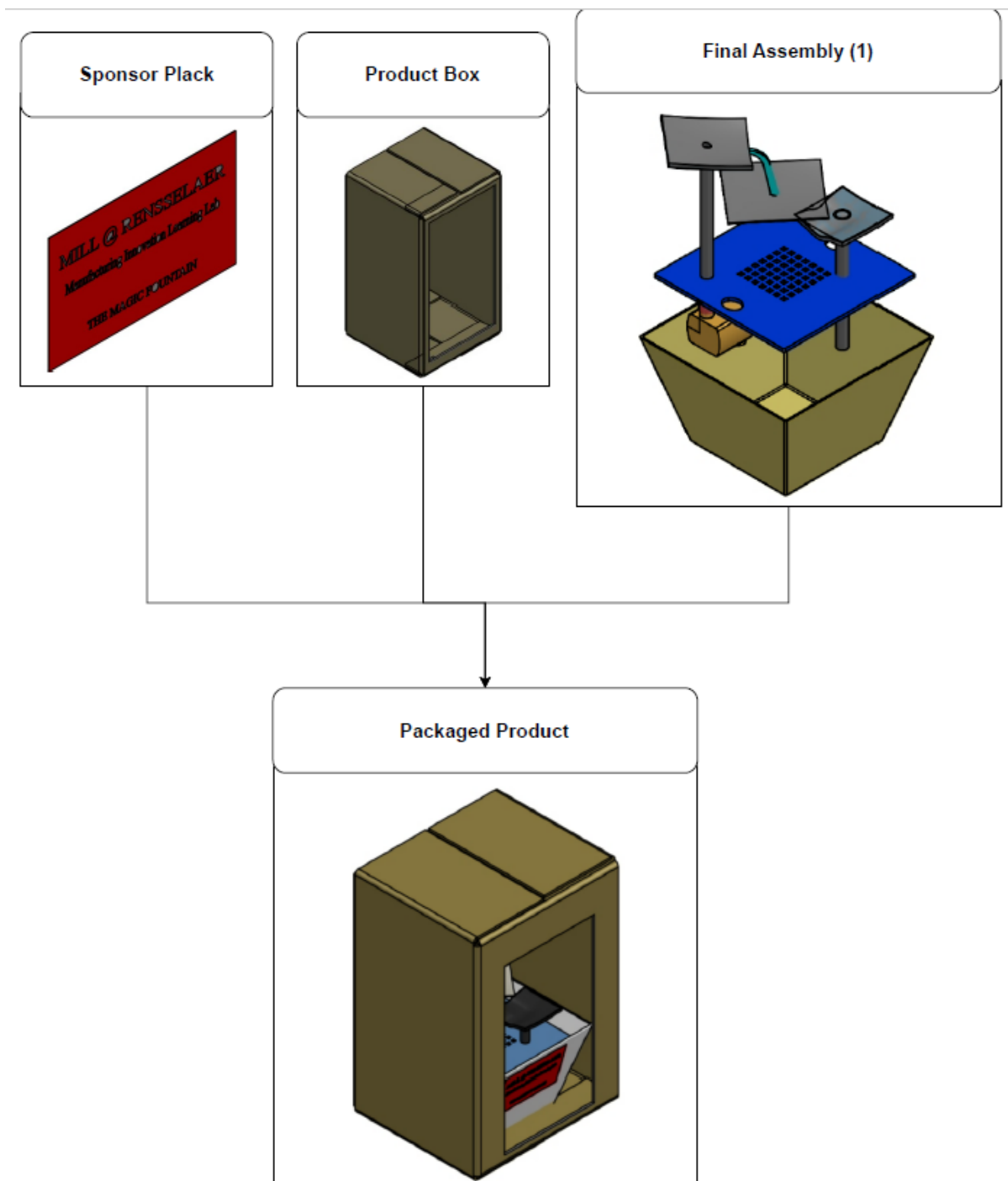
As was mentioned in section 2.4.2, sheet metal forming was a potential manufacturing process for both the basin and bowls. Hence, it could be used on the middle bowl. This bowl was the perfect candidate for sheet metal forming due to its small size and its being the focal point of the fountain. The bowl is supported by the bridge, so connecting it to a pipe is not an issue. The team wanted to diversify manufacturing processes, so plastic injection molding was rejected. A metal bowl in the middle will indicate that the fountain is well-crafted and will add an aesthetic focal point to the design. Hence, the middle bowl is formed from 20-gauge 304 stainless steel. Manual kick-shearing cuts the stock metal roll into blanks that are later formed in the compound die.

## 2.5 Assembly Overview and Flow Chart









**Figure 2.5.1 Assembly Flow Chart**

The *Magic Fountain* is separated into 5 main assemblies. These assemblies include pressing the pump connector onto the pump, pressing the pipes through the grate, pressing the tall pipe onto the pump connector, pressing the bowls onto the pipes, and heat staking the bridge onto the middle bowl. The final assembly includes placing all previously mentioned parts into the basin along with a bag of rocks as an aesthetic piece for the end user. Pressing the pump connector onto the pump is performed automatically using the Staubli RX90 robot and the



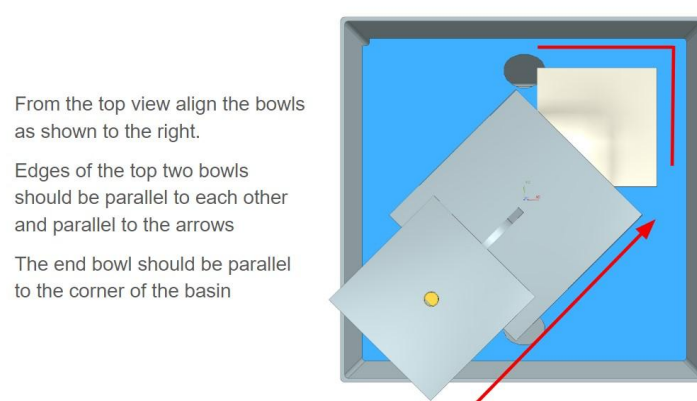
attached vertical press. Slide fitting the pipes through the grate and into the pump connector uses a custom horizontal press.

The first step is Pump Assembly (2). First the operator loads the pump connectors into the vertical gravity feeder and the pumps onto the connector fixture, making sure to keep the wires on top of the fixture. The Staubli robot then uses a custom gripper end effector to move the pump connectors from the feeder onto the pumps which are loaded on the connector fixture. The fixture then moves via conveyor to the vertical press where the two pieces are pressed together. This operation can be done with 5 pumps and pump connectors at once. Before the Pump Assembly takes place, every 10 pumps are tested to ensure that water passes through them properly and that they are not deformed.

For Horizontal Press Assembly (3), a press horizontally slides the two pipes through the grate. The tall pipe slides into the Pump Assembly (2). The parts must be manually loaded onto the machine.

The Bowl to Bridge Assembly (4) entails heat staking the bridge to the middle bowl. The top bowl has already been overmolded onto the bridge. The middle bowl is manually placed onto the bridge, and all three parts are loaded manually onto the heat staking fixture. The heat staking device then automatically heats the bridge such that it forms a secure connection with the middle bowl. The components will not fit in the heat staking fixture if they are not oriented correctly.

For the Bowls to Pipe Assembly (5), the Bowl to Bridge Assembly(4) and the end bowl are pressed manually onto the pipes. A visual aid shown below in Figure 2.5.2 ensures that the bowls are oriented correctly, as proper orientation is very important.



**Figure 2.5.2 Visual Aid for Bowls to Pipe Assembly**

Finally, the Final Assembly (1) takes place. This step consists of manually placing a bag of rocks and all previously mentioned and assembled parts into the basin. The pump and pipes automatically align themselves in the basin thanks to the dimple in the bottom of the basin.

## 2.6 Packaging

The packaging for the *Magic Fountain* consists of a cardboard box with a window on the front panel of the box to allow customers to view the product without disrupting the packaging. The *Magic Fountain* is fully supported inside the box with bubble wrap and packing paper. The box is provided by the MILL and has dimensions of 6" by 6" by 10". The thickness of the box is 1/16" or 1.0-1.8 mm. The front panel has a cutout made via laser cutting to create a viewing window for visibility of the product. This packaging method balances the need to be able to safely transport the *Magic Fountain* with the aesthetic value of being able to see the product clearly and allowing the design to grab the consumer's attention without needing to open a box.



**Figure 2.6.1 Packaging Concept**

The design of the package is shown in Figure 2.6.1 above. The cutout is a rectangle with dimensions of 5" x 9" (127 mm x 228.6 mm). The assembly of the box is simple: laser cutting the cutout, assembling the box, and placing the fountain within the box with the rocks under the grate, resting in the basin. A small plastic bag holds the assorted rocks that are to be added to the bowl for decoration. The plastic bag is a perforated plastic bag sourced from the MILL.

The sponsors are represented by a plastic sticker bearing all of the sponsor logos added to the right side of the packaging. The sticker design is shown in Figure 2.6.2.

There is also an individualized plaque for each sponsor's *Magic Fountain* onto which the sponsor name is engraved. This plaque is located on the front of the basin and is a piece of

anodized aluminum with dimensions of approximately 3.14” by 2.13” and a thickness of 0.02”. These are custom-made for the *Magic Fountains* sent to the sponsors and are not present on most of the *Magic Fountains* produced.

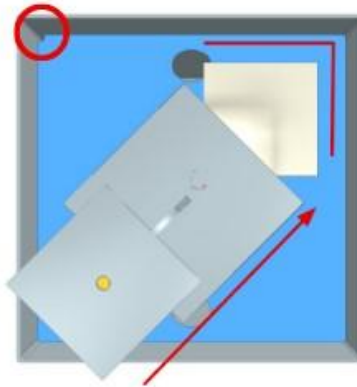


Figure 2.6.2 Sticker Design (3” x 4”) to be placed on right side of the box

In each package with a fountain, we also included an “Instruction Manual” for the end-user. This includes any information needed for the user to set up their fountain including washing the rocks and putting them over the grate, how much water to put in the basin, the proper alignment for bowls and the pump, and how to keep your fountain running smoothly. There is also a note about how to clean your fountain. The instruction manual is displayed below in Figure 2.6.3.

**Enjoy your new Fountain! Here are a few things that you should know:**

- We washed the rocks, but before you take them out of the bag and pour them over the grate, it would be good to give them another good wash!
- Please fill the basin of your fountain with water up to grate- level
- To clean your fountain, take rocks off the grate and use finger holes in the grate to remove from the basin. You can now dump the water and wipe the basin clean
- To improve the water flow, run your finger over the clear bridge piece
- Circled below is a cutout for the pump cord to run through
- Here is a picture of our “ideal” bowl alignment, but feel free to make your fountain unique!



**Figure 2.6.3 Instruction Manual**



## 2.7 Budget

Table 2.7 Budget

| Part Description       | Material                                      | Supplier       | Quantity Per Unit | Cost Per Unit | Total Cost |
|------------------------|---|----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|
| Basin                  | 1/16" Black ABS Sheet                         | Home Depot     | 1                 | \$1.92        | \$577.10   |
| Pump                   | 5V USB submersible pump (Jovtop JT-1020)      | Ali Baba       | 1                 | \$3.83        | \$1,150.00 |
| Grate                  | 1/8" acrylic sheet                            | Piedmont       | 1                 | \$0.58        | \$174.00   |
| Pipes                  | 3/8"x3' acrylic pipe x82                      | Canal Plastics | 1x5", 1x4"        | \$1.48        | \$443.33   |
| Middle Bowl            | 0.036" T-410 coiled stainless steel           | Mill           | 1                 | \$0.00        | \$0.00     |
| Bridge                 | 1/8" acrylic sheet                            | MILL           | 1                 | \$0.00        | \$0.00     |
| Top and End Bowl       | Supplied colored plastic (Mold cost)          | MILL           | 2                 | \$0.00        | \$0.00     |
| Plastic Injection Mold | 6061 Aluminum                                 | MILL           | 0                 | \$1.67        | \$500.00   |
| Forming Die            | Composite 3D Print                            | MILL           | 0                 | \$0.00        | \$0.00     |
| Rocks                  | Autumn Red Stone                              | Lowe's         | 1 lb              | \$0.17        | \$51.10    |
| Pump Connector         | ABS filament                                  | Marlin         | 2.55 g            | \$0.09        | \$27.00    |
| Packaging for Rocks    | Plastic bags (heat sealed tube roll)          | MILL           | 1                 | \$0.00        | \$0.00     |
| Packaging Sticker      | Sticker paper (6 per page)                    | Uline          | 1                 | \$0.12        | \$36.00    |
| Package Box            | 6x6x12 cardboard box                          | MILL           | 1                 | \$0.00        | \$0.00     |
| Plaque                 | Anodized aluminum sheet and double sided tape | Donated        | 60 total          | \$0.00        | \$0.00     |
| Water Jetting          | Aggregate                                     | MILL           | 0                 | \$0.01        | \$2.50     |
|                        |   |                | Total             | \$10.11       | \$3,033.89 |

The current project total is \$3,033.89, \$216.11 below the \$3,250.00 budget given for production. The pump chosen, although significantly more expensive than the other pump options considered, allows for a higher quality end product due to lower operating noise. The cost of pumps increased due to overseas shipping fees of \$370. In the real world, production costs would be significantly greater when manufacturing labor costs are included. Certain materials are provided by the MILL. These materials include injection molding pellets, stainless steel for the middle bowl, packaging boxes, and material for the forming die. This allowed for significant cost savings. Using an excess 20 ga steel roll from a previous project

in the MILL, the group was able to save on a major cost associated with the middle bowl material.

## **Section 3: BOM and Drawings**



### 3.1. Bill of Materials

| Product Main Assembly (Parts, Subassemblies, Main Assembly) |   |  |                   |
|---|---|--|-------------------|
| Number  | BOM/3D Model Name                             | Drawing Title                                    | Quantity per Unit |
| 1A  | Full Fountain Assembly Labeled                | Final_Assembly_1A                                | 1                 |
| 1A  | Final Assembly Pressfit                       | Final_Assembly_1A_Pressfit_Exploded              |                   |
| 1.1A  | Final Assembly                                | Final_Assembly_1.1A                              | 1                 |
|   |   |  |                   |
| 2A  | Pump to Connection Assembly                   | Pump_2A  | 1                 |
| 2A  | Pump to Connection Assembly Press Fit         | Pump_2A_Press_Fit                                |                   |
|   |   |  |                   |
| 3A  | Horizontal Press Assembly                     | Horizontal_Press_Assembly_3A                     | 1                 |
| 3A  | Press Assembly Exploded                       | Horizontal_Press_Assembly_3A_PressFit_Exploded   |                   |
| 3A  | Horizontal Press Assembly Detailed Dimensions | Horizontal_Press_Assembly_3A_Dims.               |                   |
|   |   |  |                   |
| 4A  | Bowl to Bridge Assembly                       | Bowl_to_Bridge_Assembly_4A                       | 1                 |
| 4A  | Bowl to Bridge Exploded                       | Bowl_to_Bridge_Assembly_Heat_Staking_Exploded_4A |                   |
|   |   |  |                   |
| 5A  | Bowls to Pipe Assembly                        | Bowls_Pipe_Assembly_5A                           | 1                 |
| 5A  | Bowls to Pipe Exploded                        | Bowls_Pipe_Assembly_5A_Pressfit_Exploded         | 1                 |
|   |   |  |                   |
| 1C  | Basin   | Basin_1C   | 1                 |
|   |   |  |                   |
| 2C  | Bridge  | Bridge_2C  | 1                 |
|   |   |  |                   |
| 3C  | End Bowl                                      | EndBowl_3C                                       | 1                 |

|   |                               |   |   |
|---|-------------------------------|---|---|
|   |                               |   |   |
| 4C  | Middle Bowl                   | MiddleBowl_4C                           | 1 |
| 4.1C  | Middle Bowl Blank             | MiddleBowl_Blank_4.1C                   | 1 |
|   |                               |   |   |
| 5C  | Top Bowl                      | TopBowl_5C                              | 1 |
|   |                               |   |   |
| 6C  | Grate                         | Grate_6C                                | 1 |
|   |                               |   |   |
| 7C  | Pump Connector                | PumpConnection_7C                       | 1 |
|   |                               |   |   |
| 8PC   | Tall Pipe                     | TallPipe_8PC                            | 1 |
|   |                               |   |   |
| 9PC   | Short Pipe                    | ShortPipe_9PC                           | 1 |
|   |                               |   |   |
| 10PC  | Pump                          | Pump_10PC                               | 1 |
|   |                               |   |   |
| 11PC  | Rocks                         | Autumn_Red_Stone_11PC                   | 1 |
| <b>Manufacturing Process Tooling</b>                      |                               |   |   |
| 100T  | PIM Mold Half Stationary      | PIMMoldHalfStationary_100T              | 1 |
| 100.1T  | PIM Mold Half Moving          | PIMMoldHalfMoving_100.1T                | 1 |
|   |                               |   |   |
| 200T  | Middle Bowl Punch and Die     | MiddleBowlPunchandDie_200T              | 1 |
| 200.1T  | Middle Bowl Die               | MiddleBowlDie_200.1T                    | 1 |
| 200.2T  | Middle Bowl Punch             | MiddleBowlPunch_200.2T                  | 1 |
| 200.3T  | Middle Bowl Punch Guide Plate | MiddleBowlPunchandDieGuidePlate__200.3T | 1 |
| 200.4T  | Shearing Pin                  | ShearPin_200.4T                         | 1 |
|   |                               |   |   |
| 300T  | Vacuum Forming Mold           | BasinMold_300T                          | 1 |
| 300.1   | Laser Cutting Fixture         | BasinFixture_300.1T                     | 1 |
| <b>Assembly Fixtures, End Effectors, Pallets, Feeders</b> |                               |   |   |
| 1000F   | Middle Bowl Fixture           | MiddleBowlFixtureAssembly_1000F         | 1 |

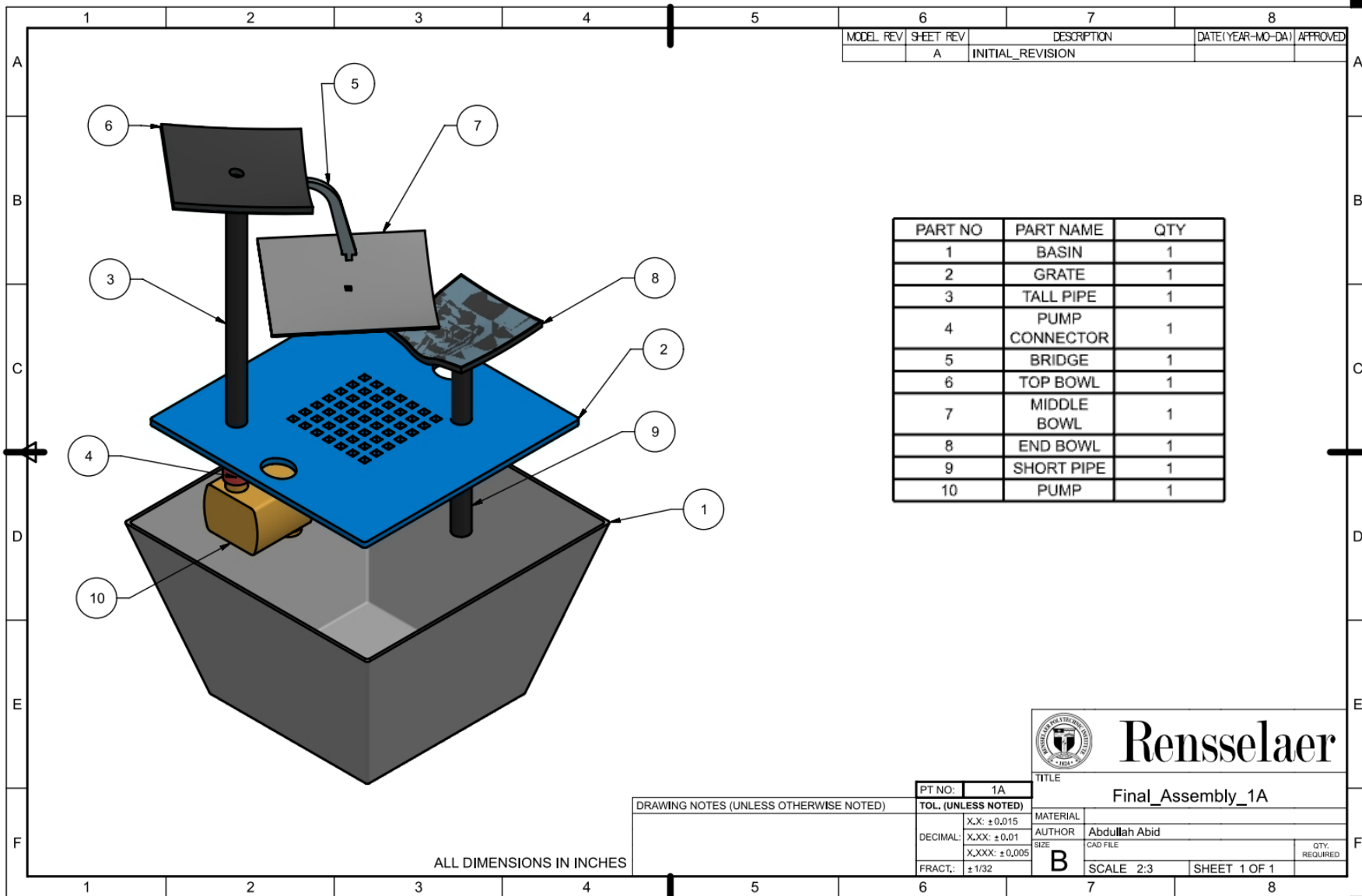
|                  | Assembly                 |                                |   |
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| 1000.1F          | Heat Staking Fixture     | MiddleBowlFixturing_1000.1F    | 1 |
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| 2000F            | Pump Fixture Assembly    | PumpFixtureAssembly_2000F      | 1 |
| 2000.1F          | Connector Fixture        | ConnectorFixture_2000.1F       | 1 |
| 2000.2FE         | Connector Feeder         | Connector_Feeder_2000.2FE      | 1 |
| 2000.4E          | Gripper                  | Gripper_2000.4E                | 1 |
|                  |                          |                                |   |
| 3000F            | Horizontal Press Fixture | Horizontal_Press_Fixture_3000F | 1 |
| 3000.1F          | Grate Fixture            | Grate_Fixture_3000.1F          | 1 |
| 3000.2F          | Press End Fixture        | Press_End_Fixture_3000.2F      | 1 |
| 3000.3F          | Press Pump Fixture       | PressPump_Fixture_3000.3F      | 1 |
| <b>Packaging</b> |                          |                                |   |
| 1PD              | Package Box              | Packaging_Design               | 1 |
| 2PD              | Plastic Rock Bag         | Rock_Bag                       | 1 |

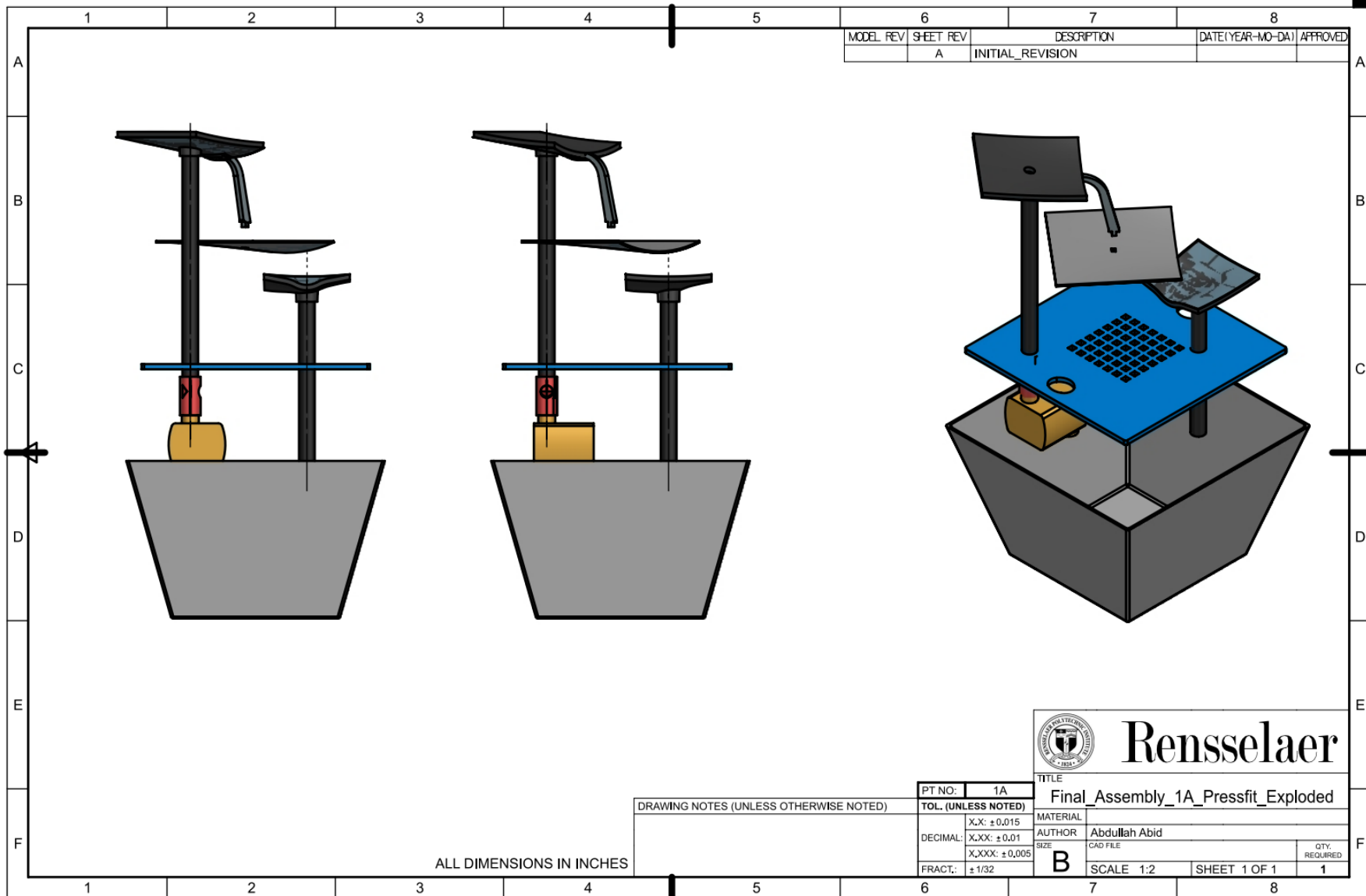
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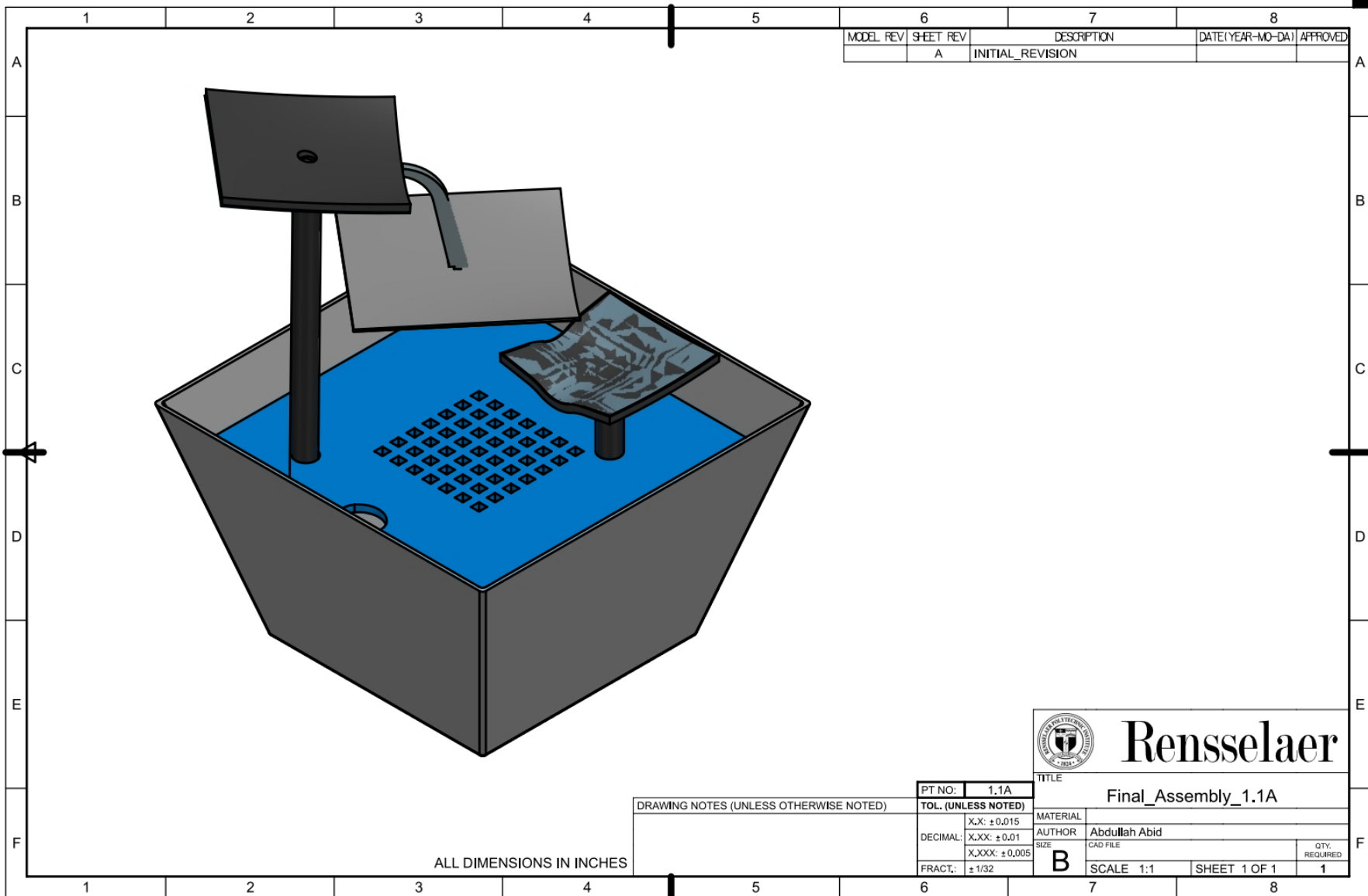
| Abbreviation | Category                   |
|--------------|----------------------------|
| <b>C</b>     | <b>Component</b>           |
| <b>PC</b>    | <b>Purchased Component</b> |
| <b>A</b>     | <b>Assembly</b>            |
| <b>T</b>     | <b>Tooling</b>             |
| <b>F</b>     | <b>Fixturing</b>           |
| <b>P</b>     | <b>Pallet</b>              |
| <b>E</b>     | <b>End Effector</b>        |
| <b>PD</b>    | <b>Packaging</b>           |

### **3.2. Drawings**

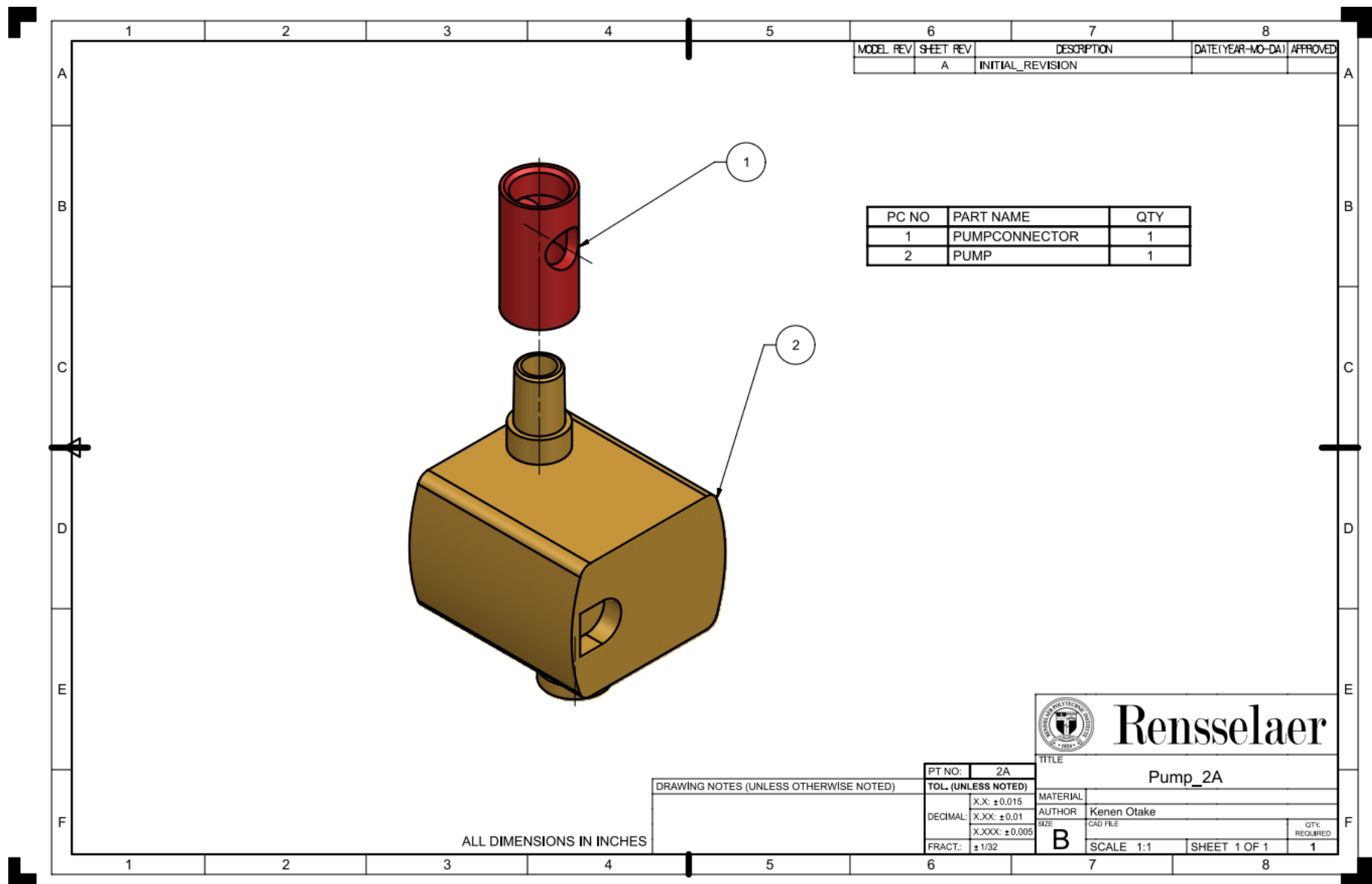
# **Assembly Drawings**

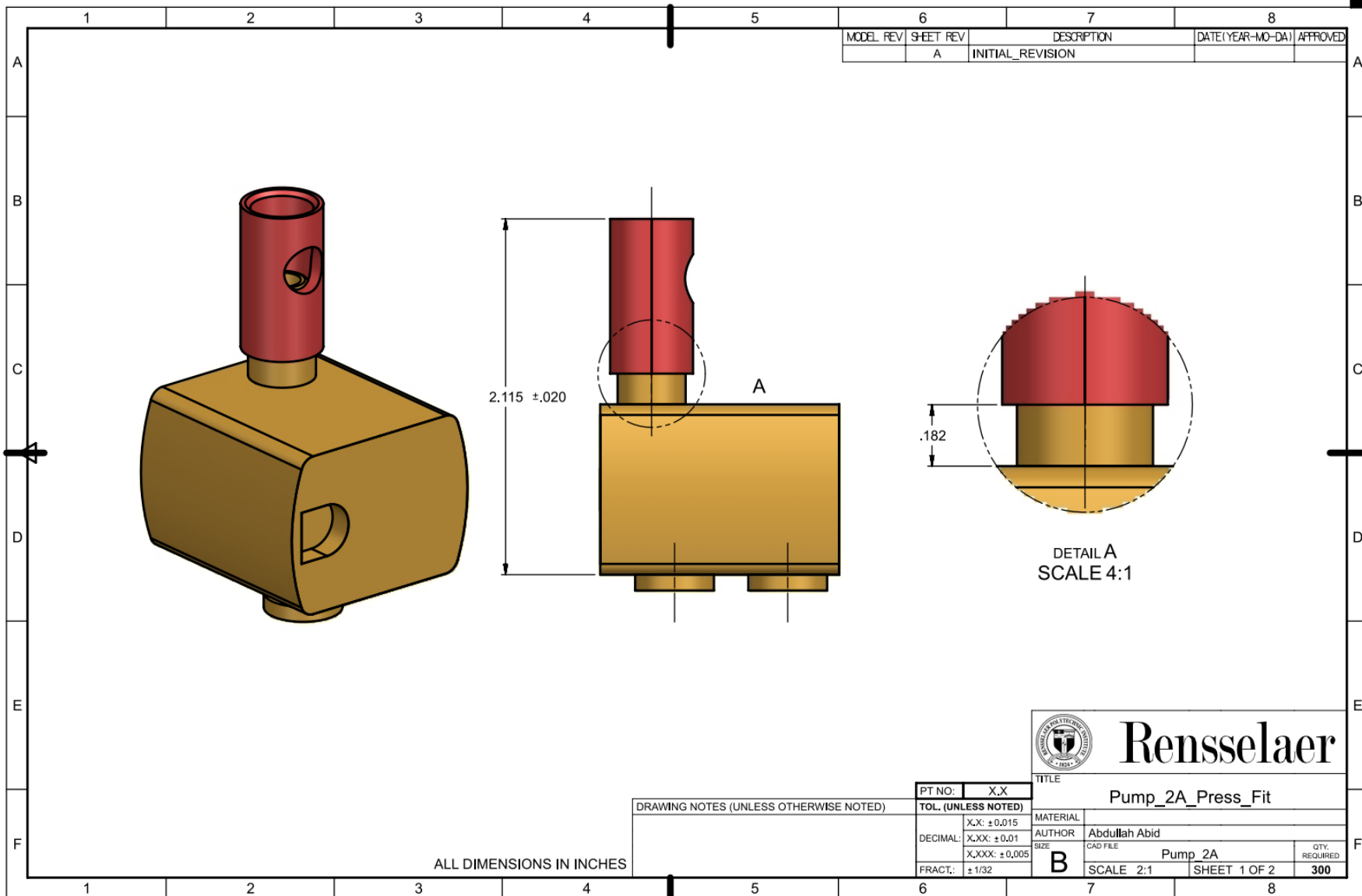


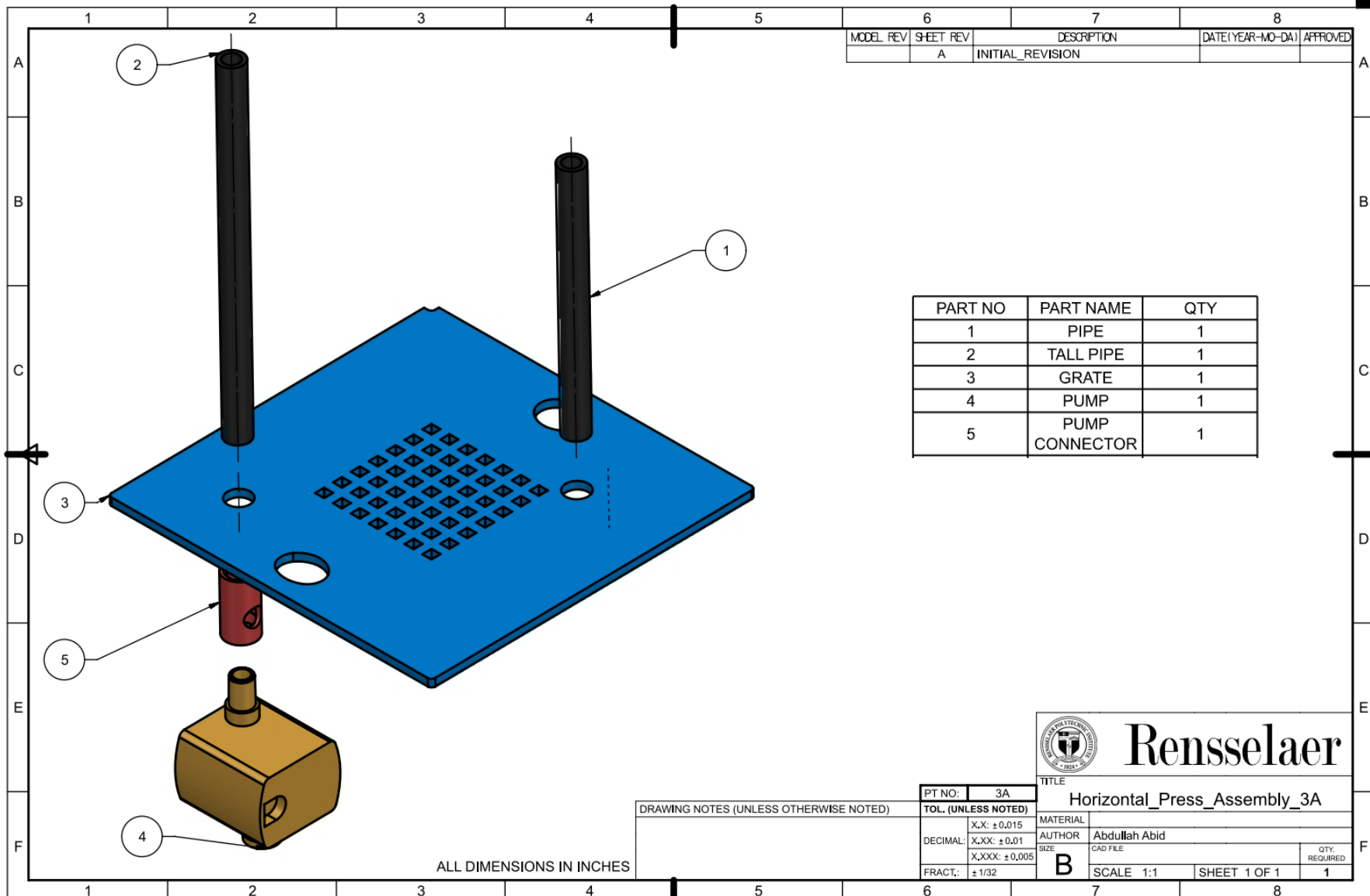


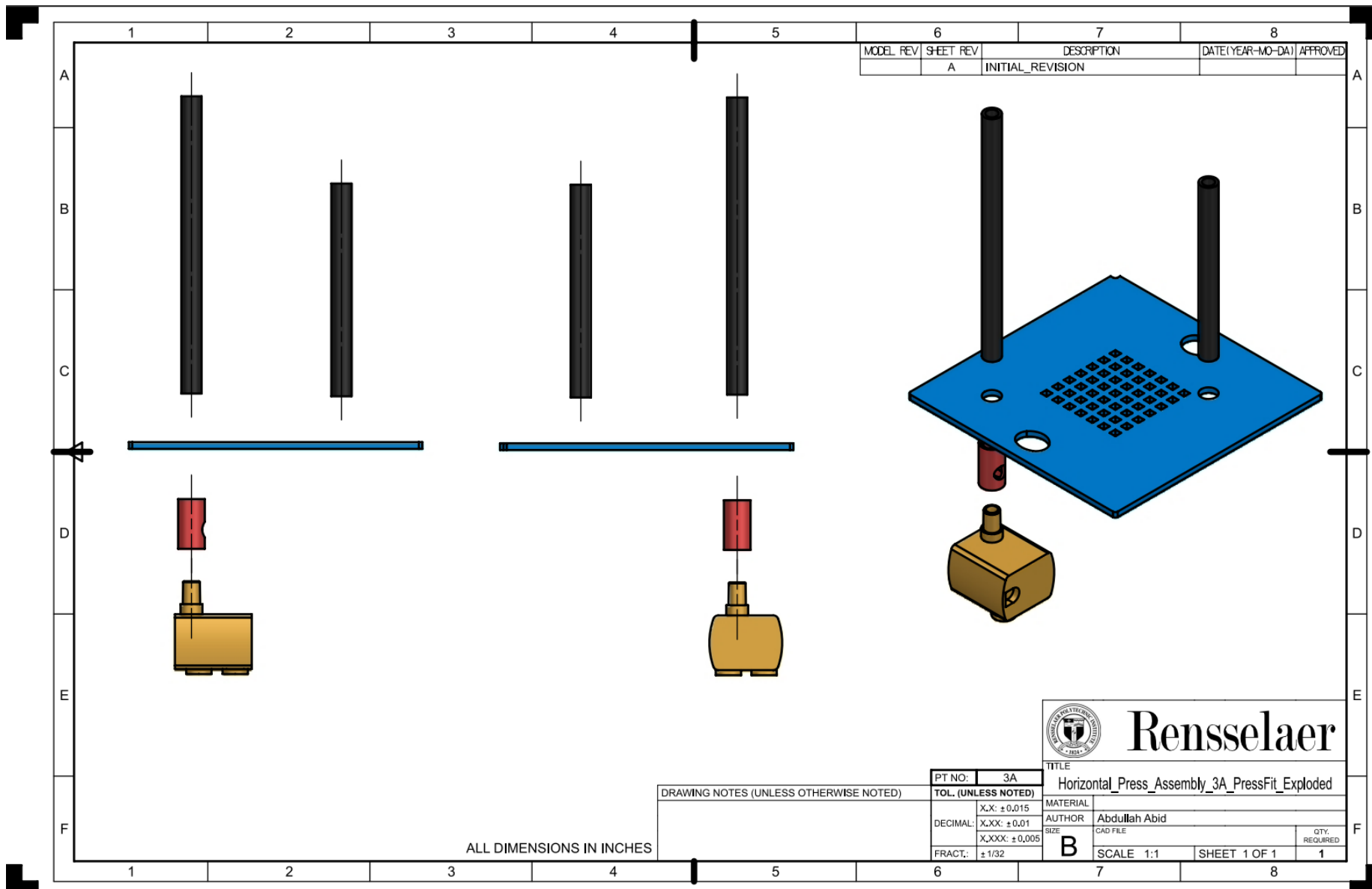


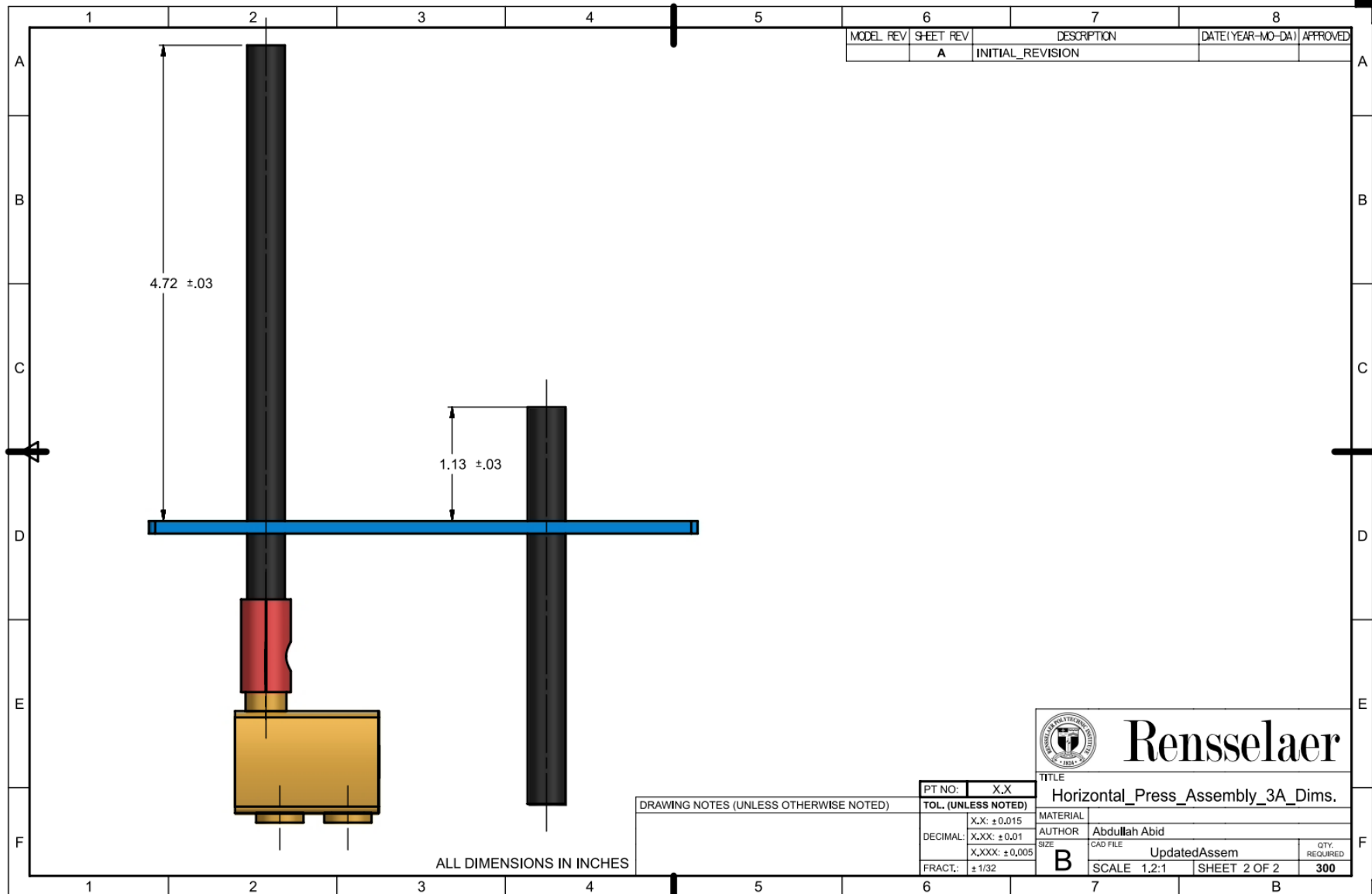


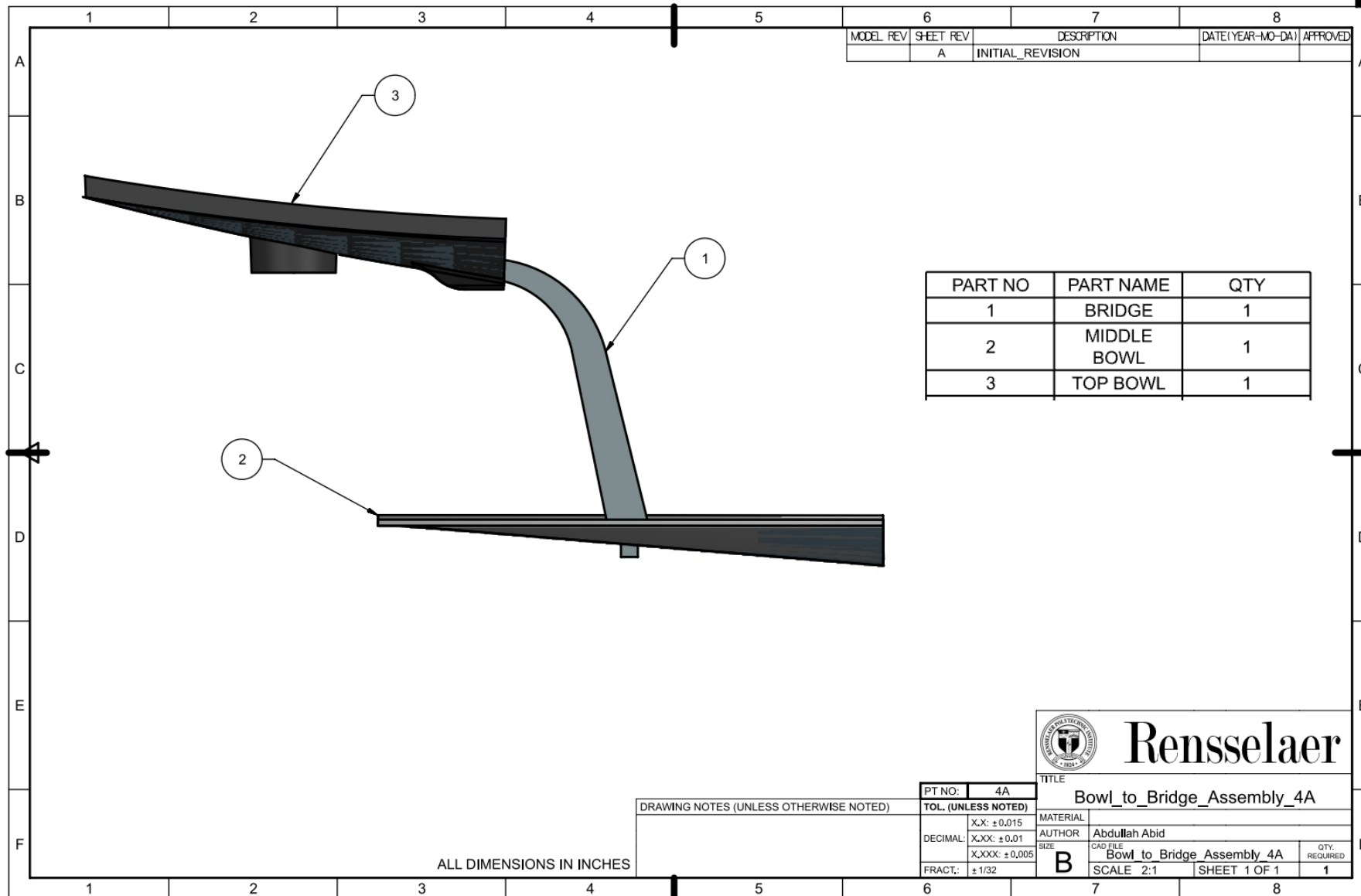


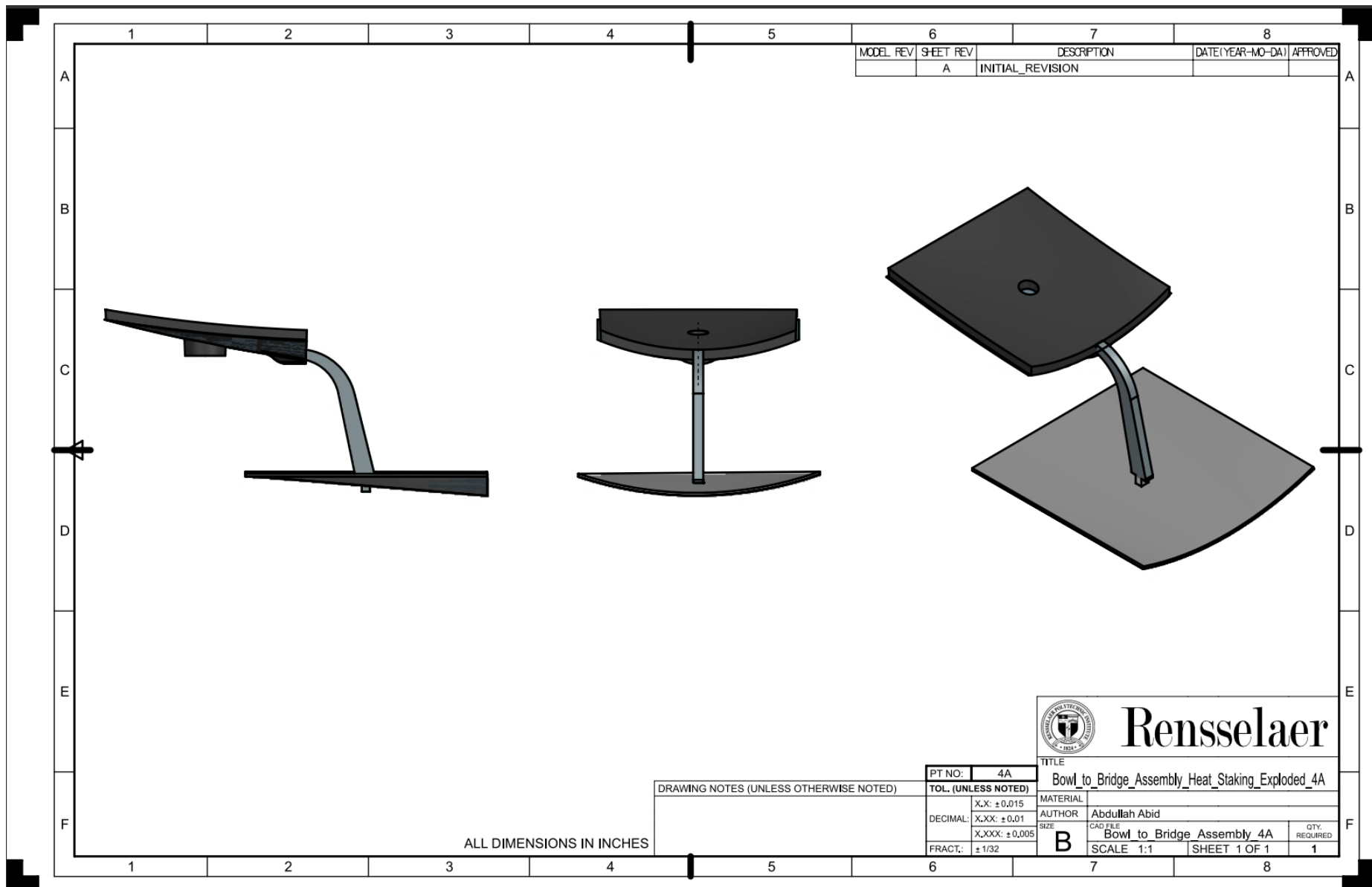


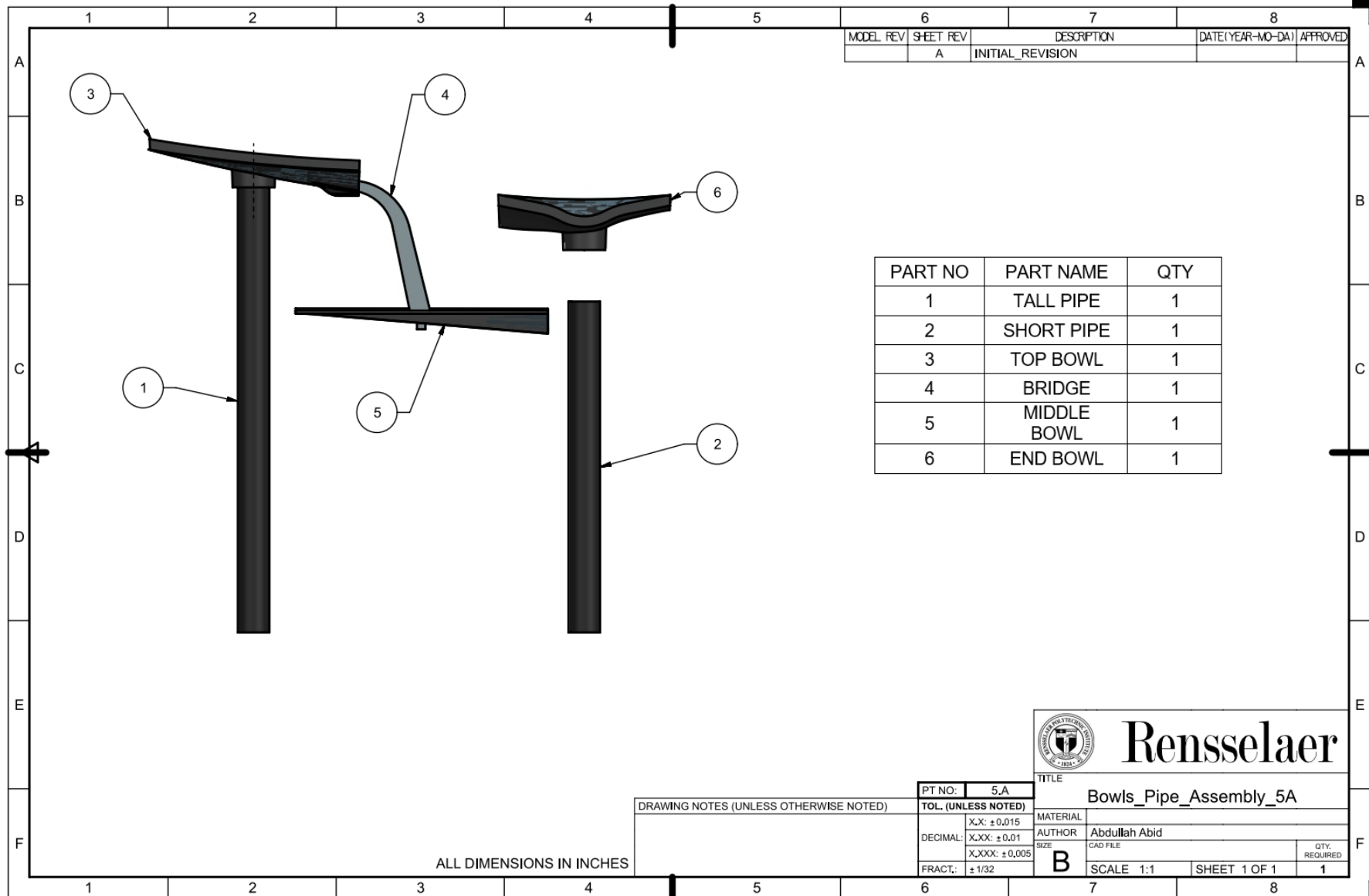




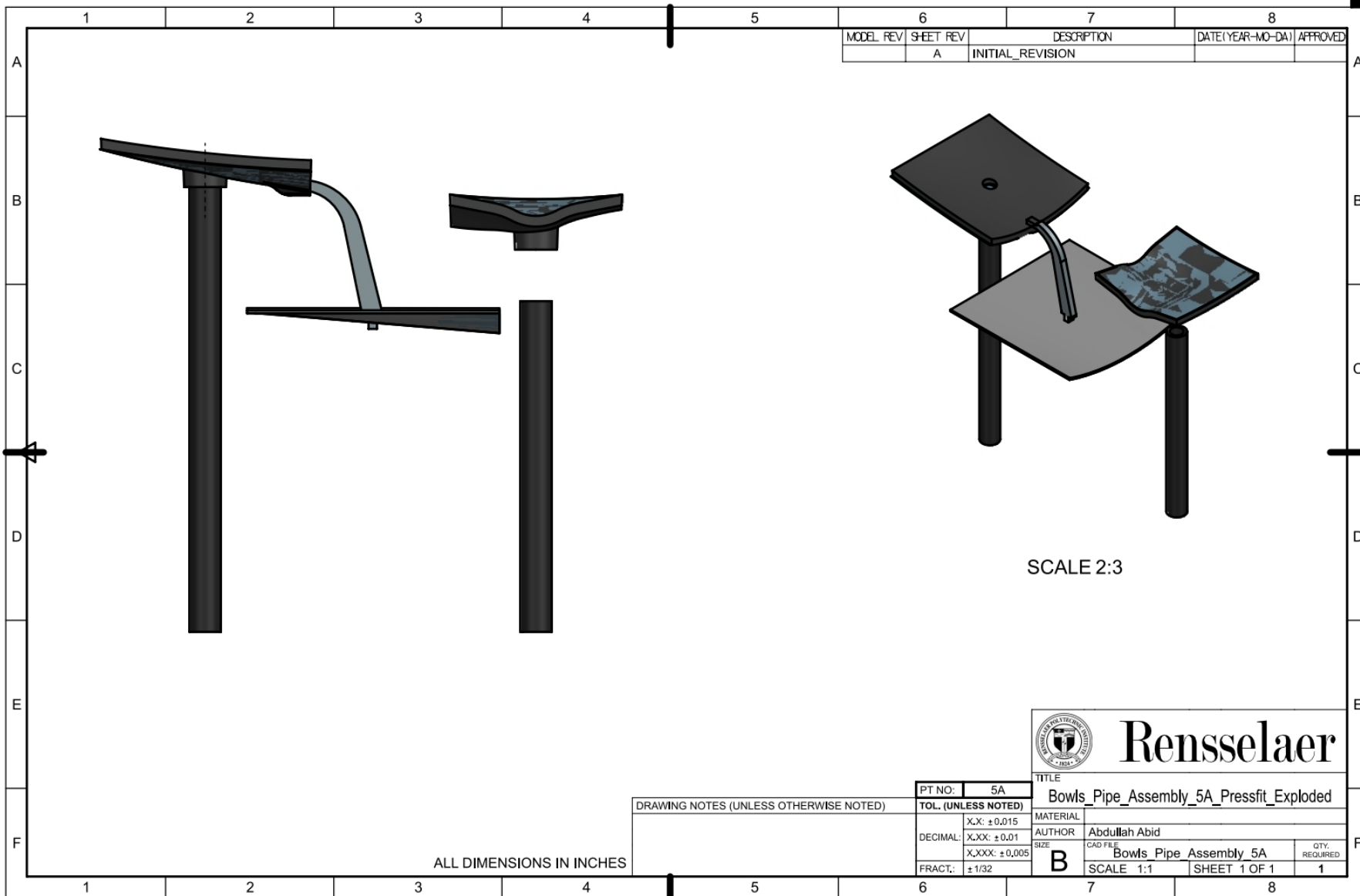




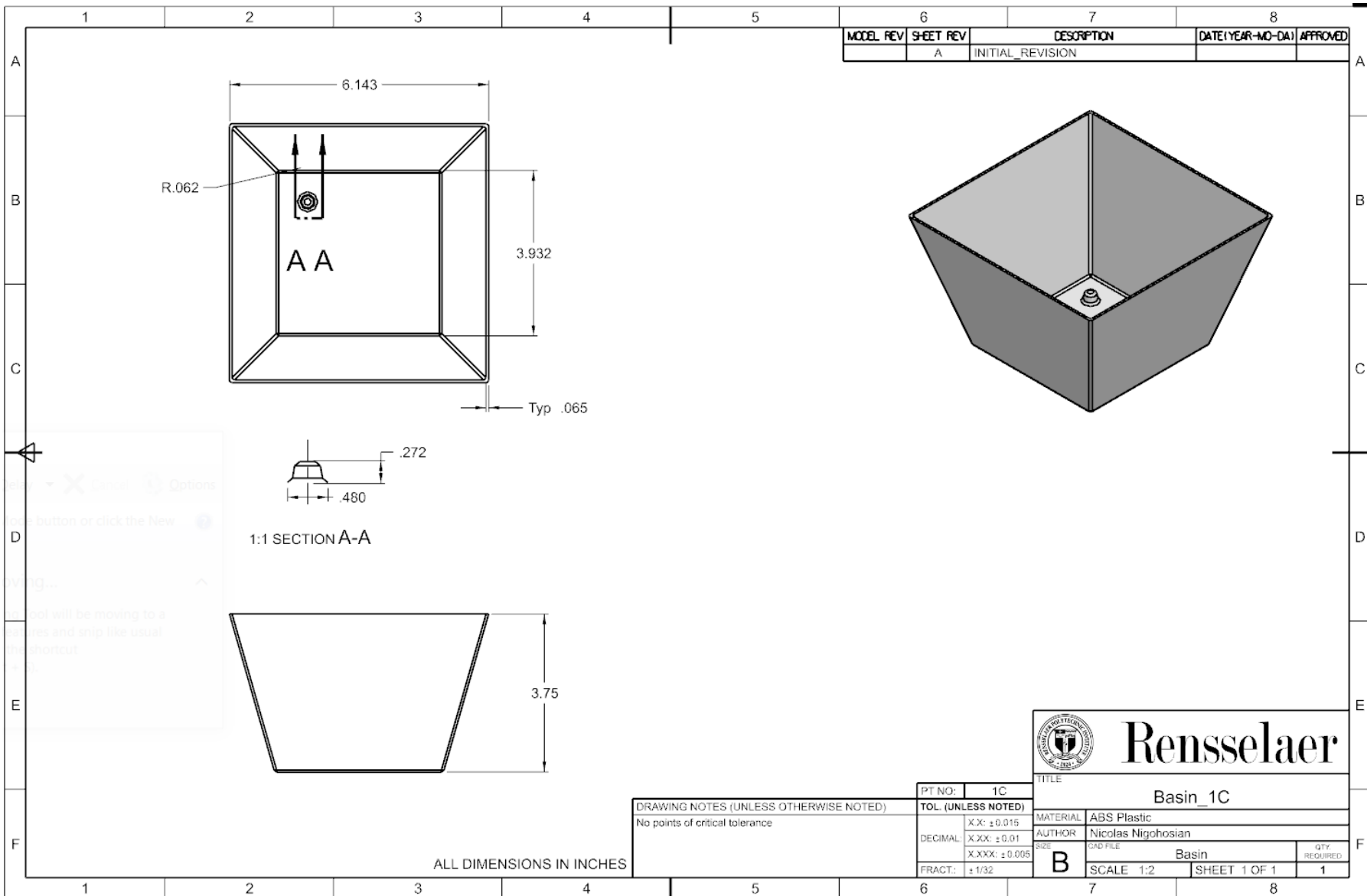


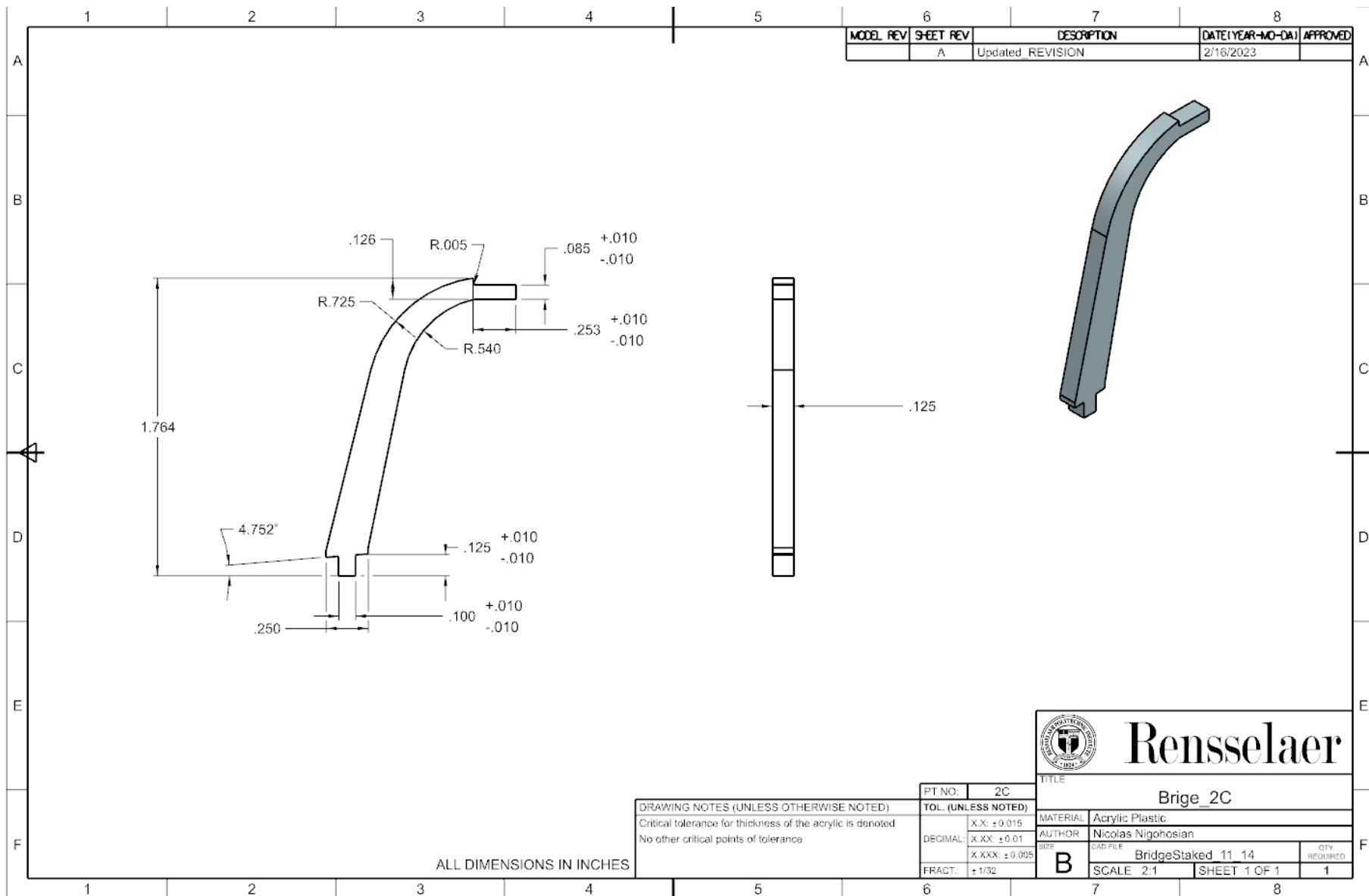


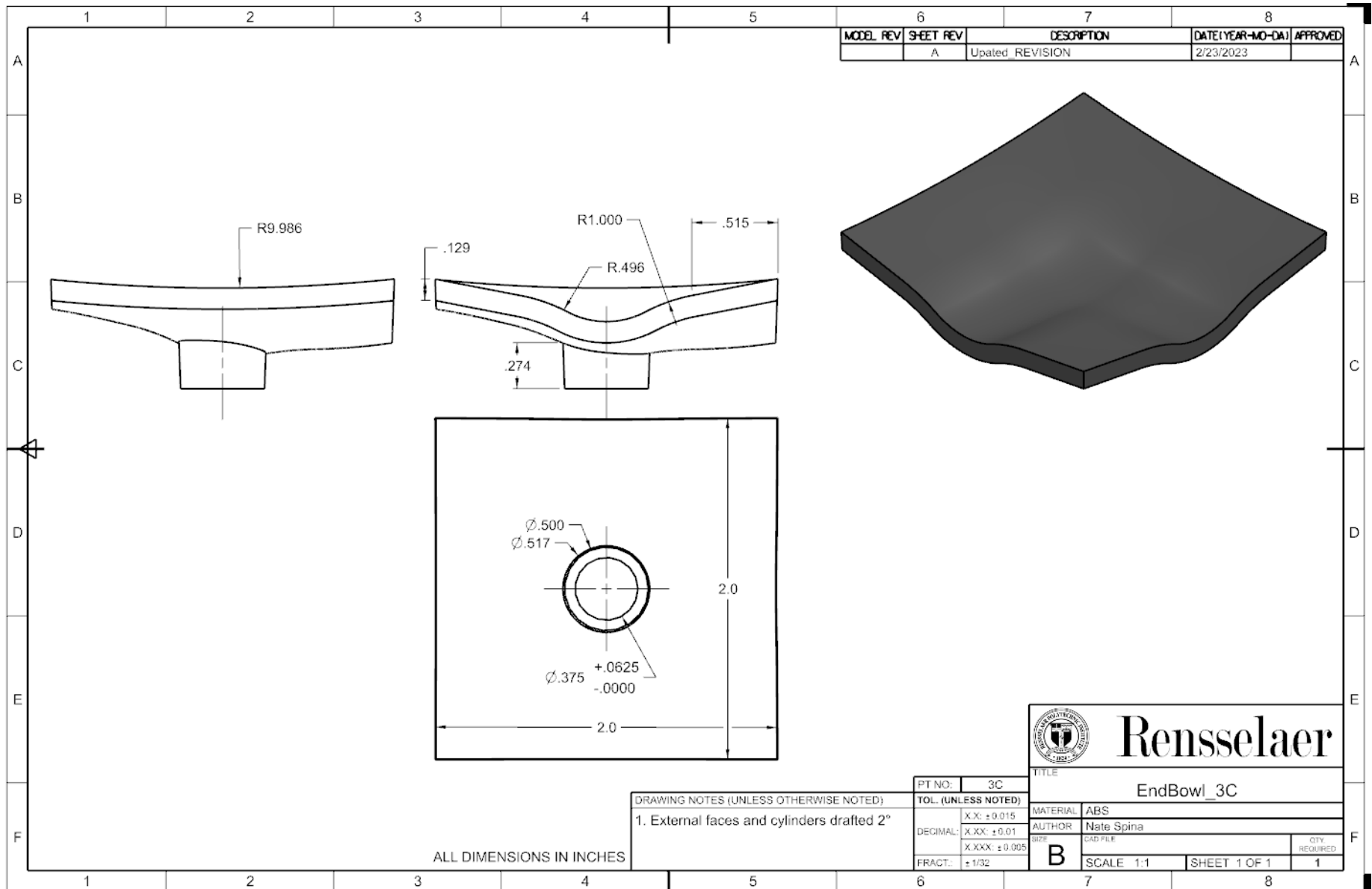


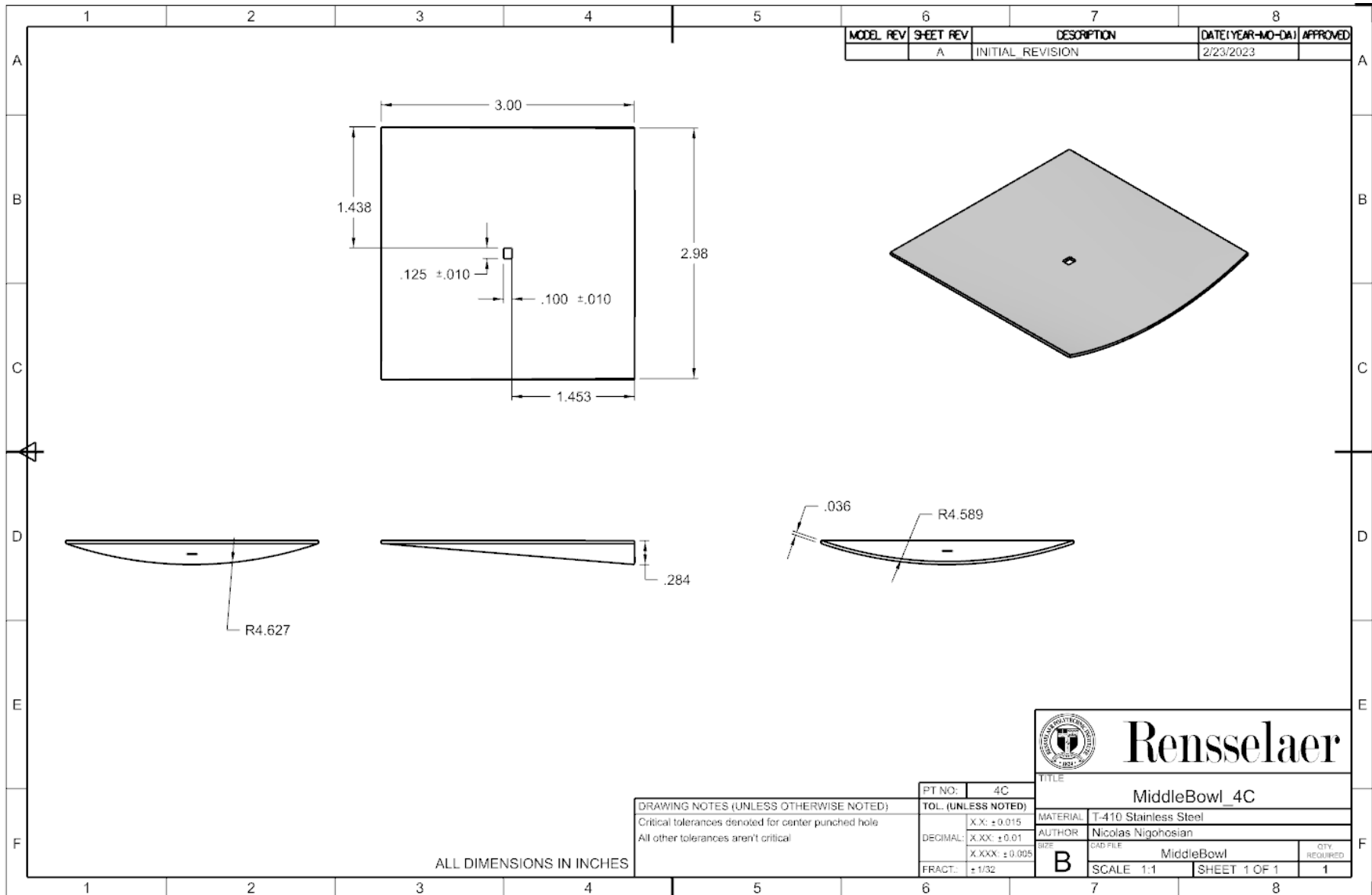


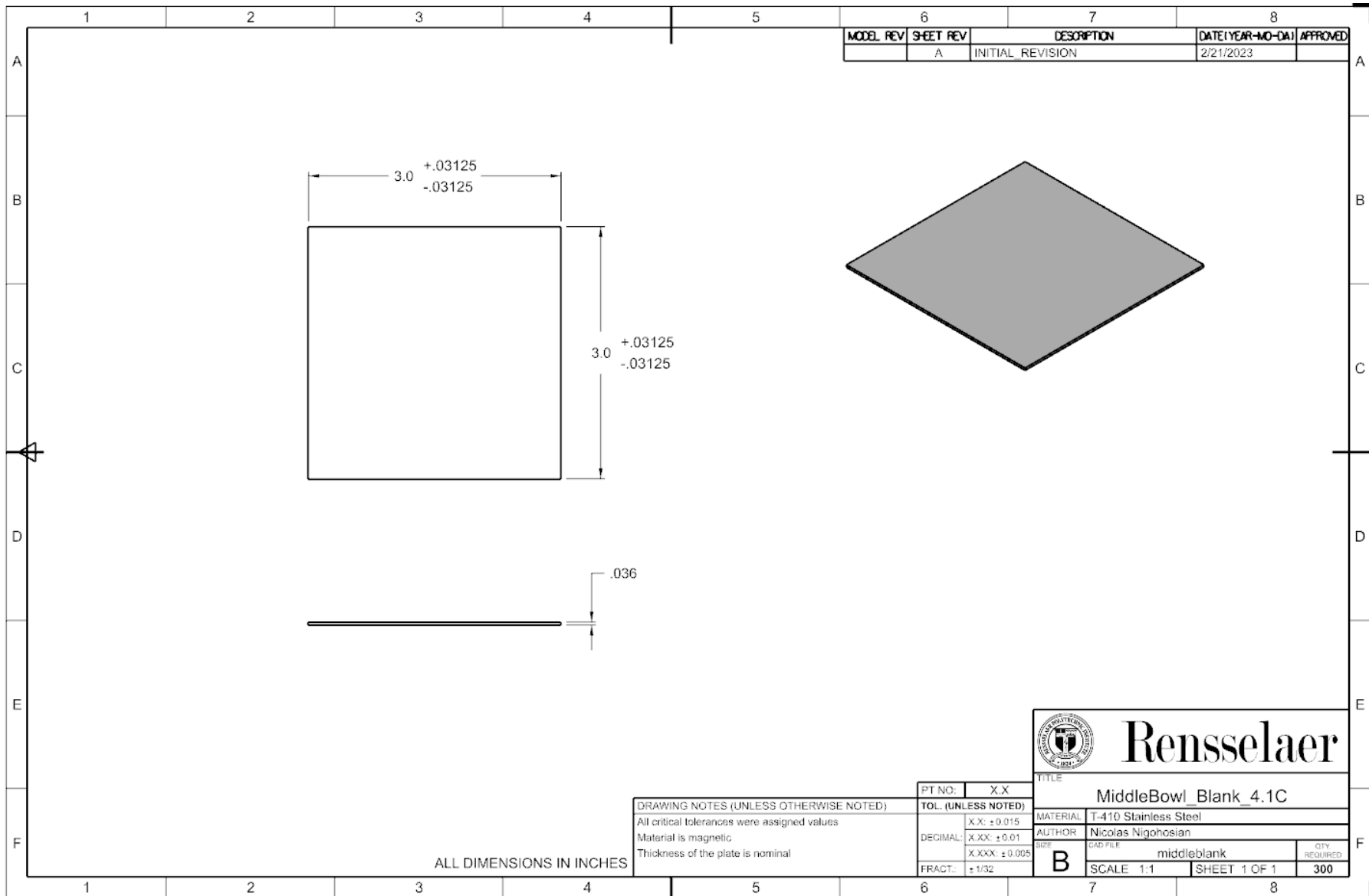
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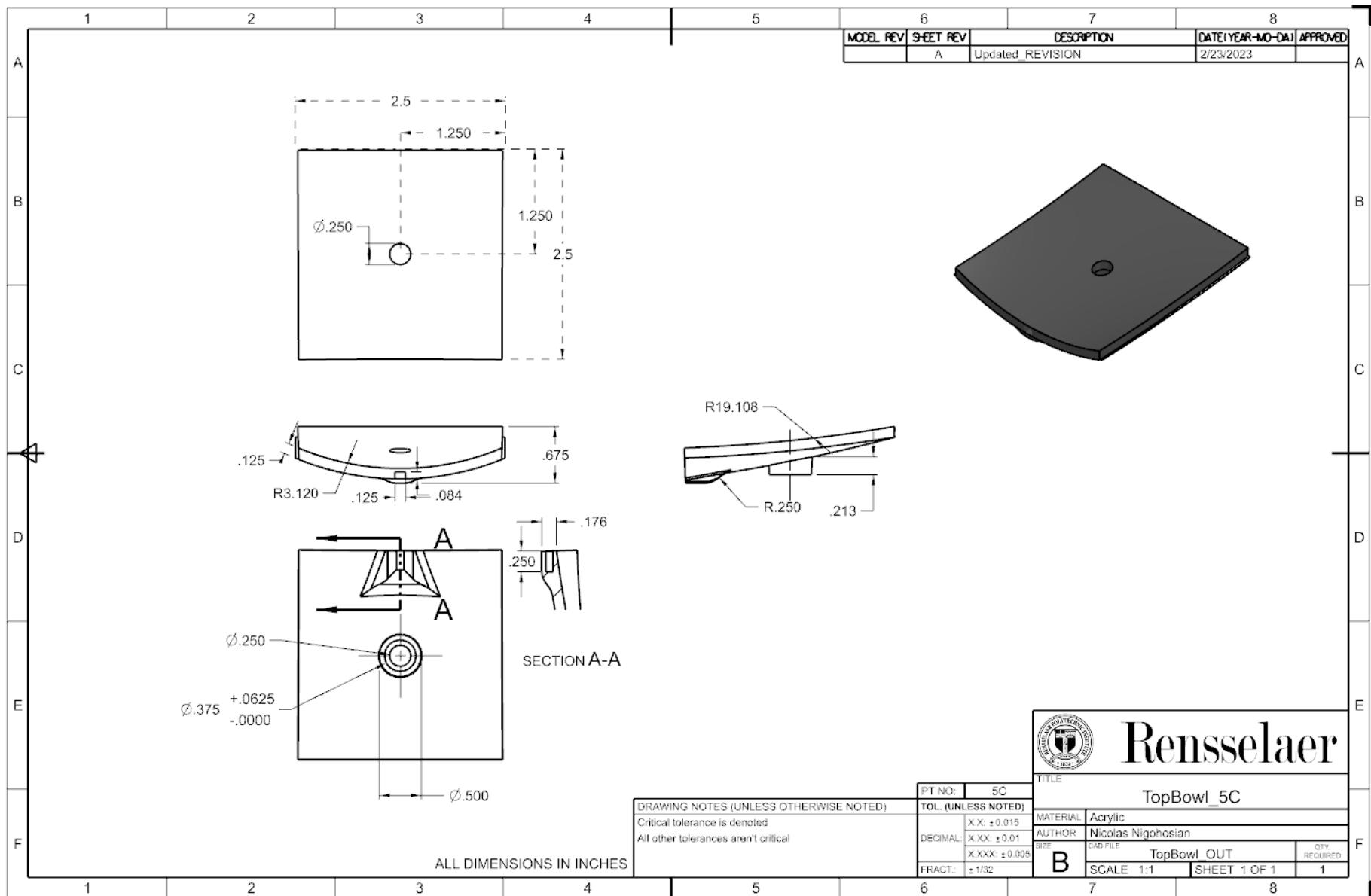




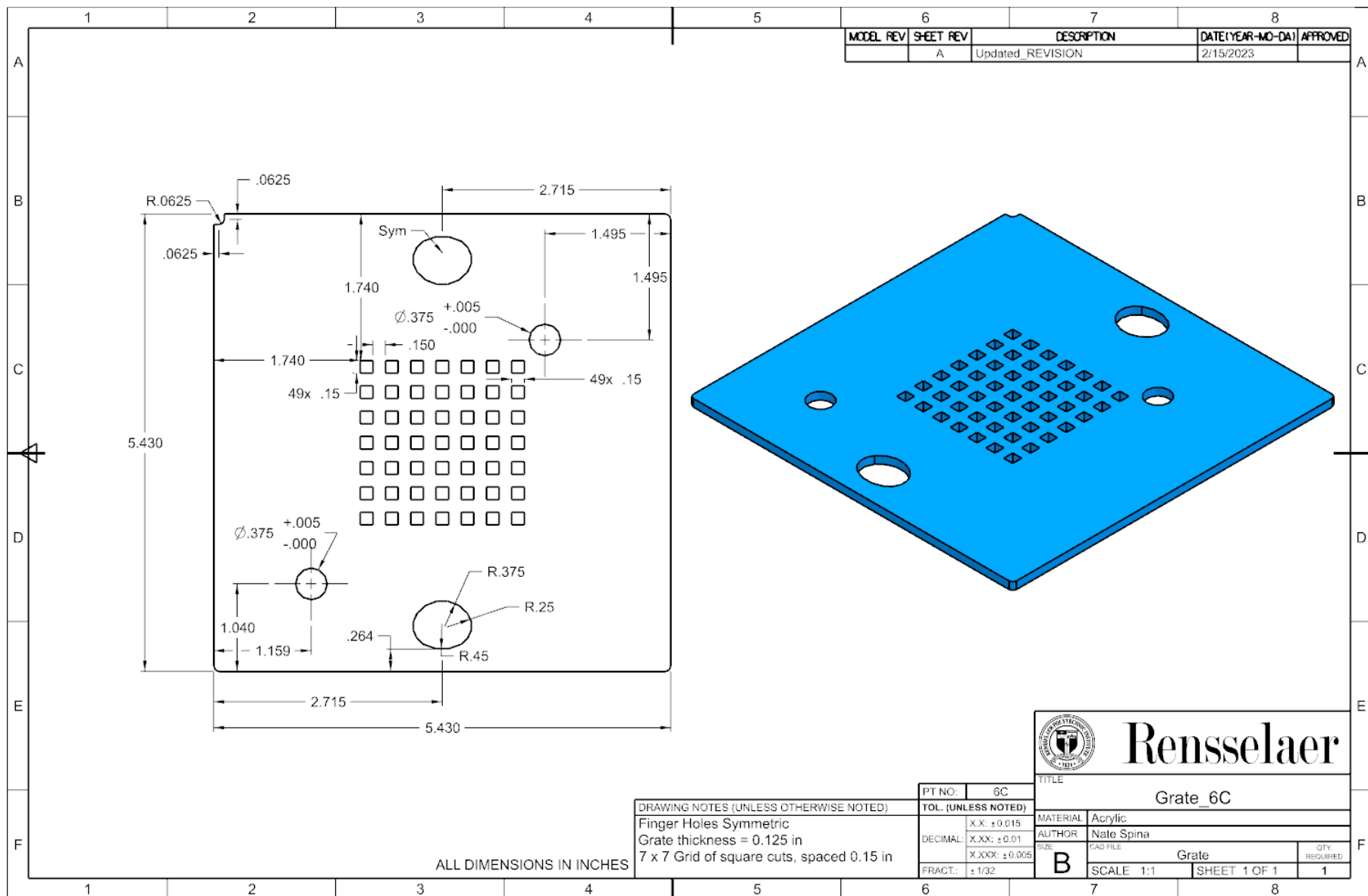


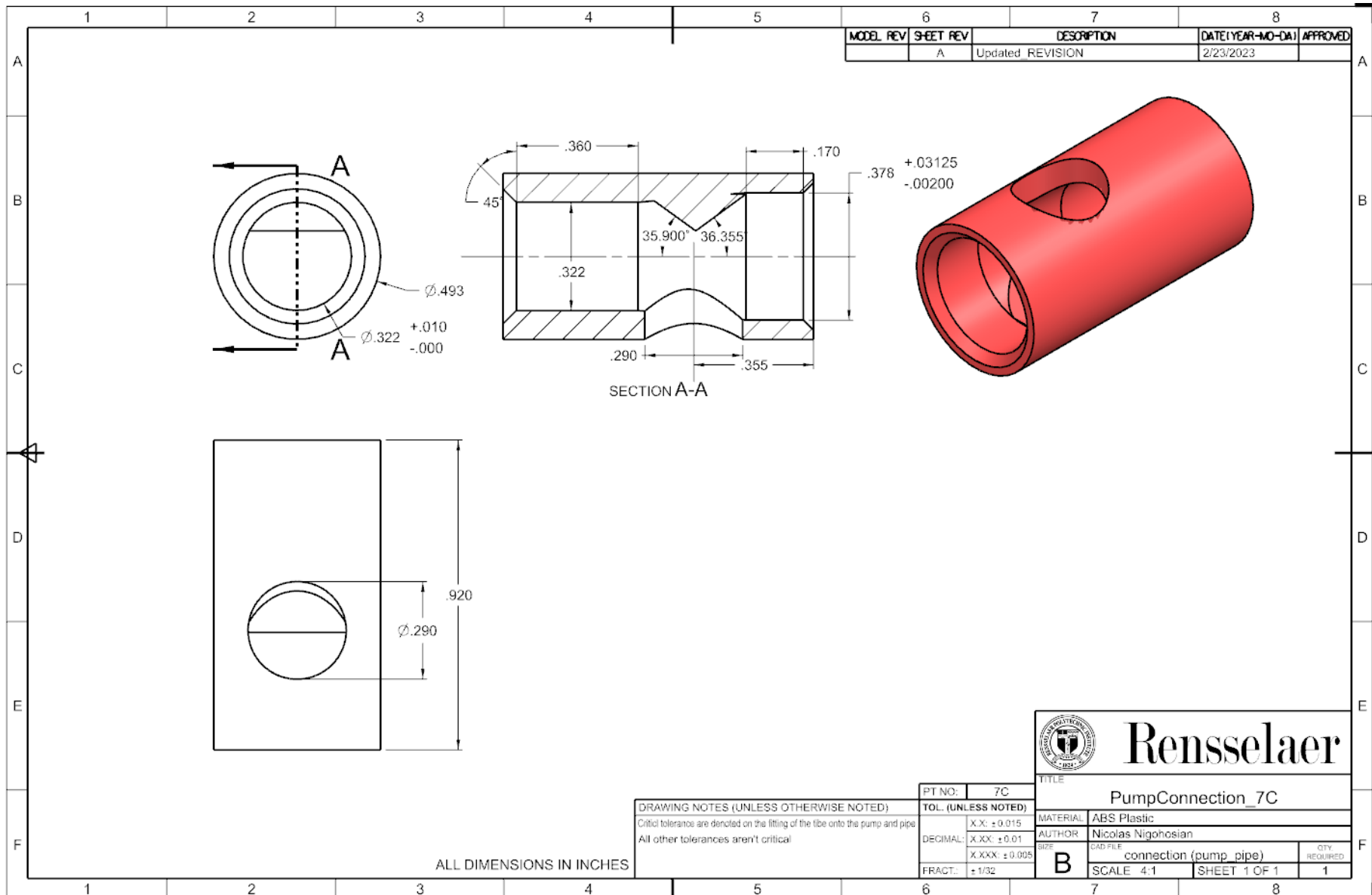


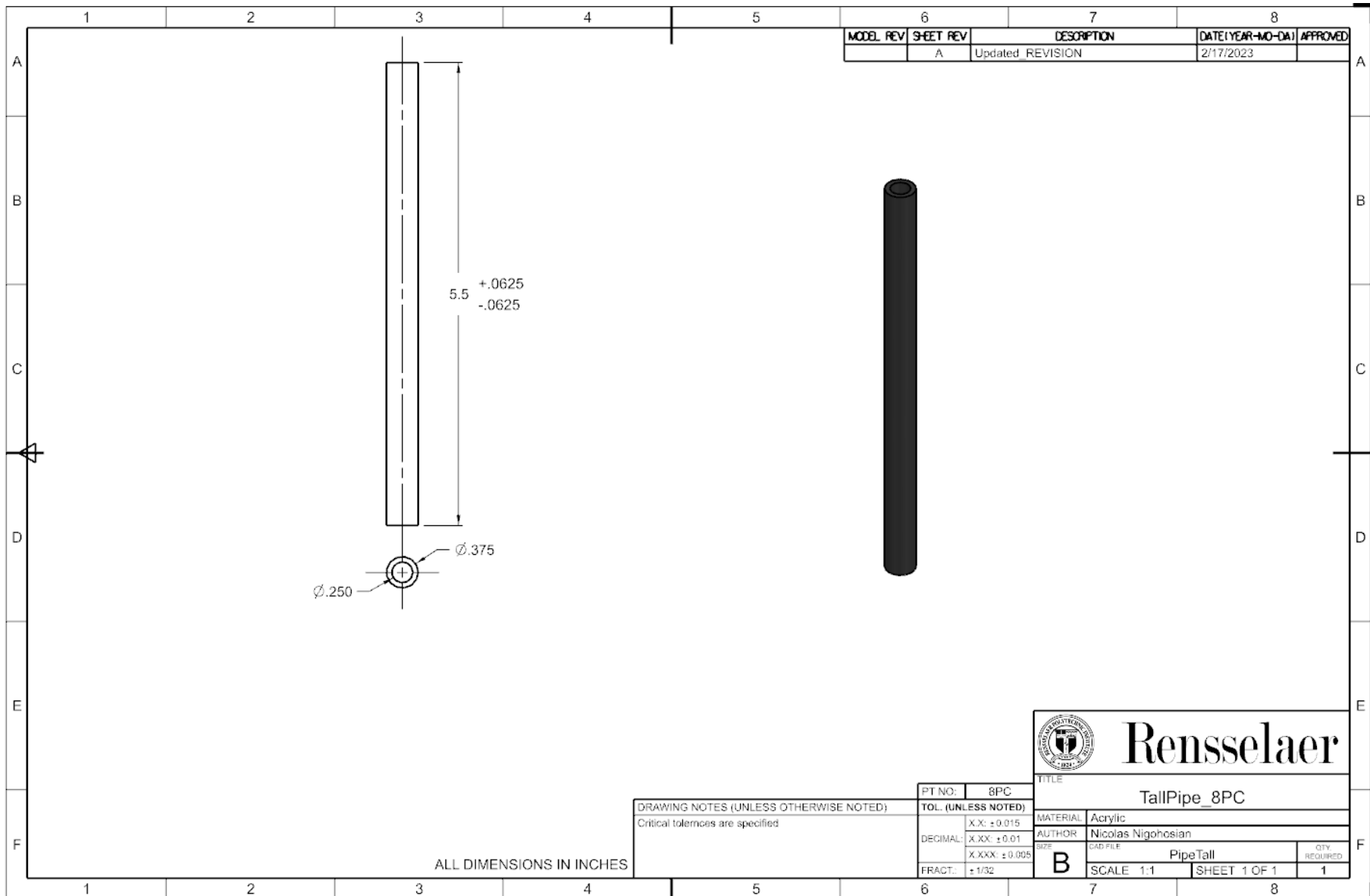


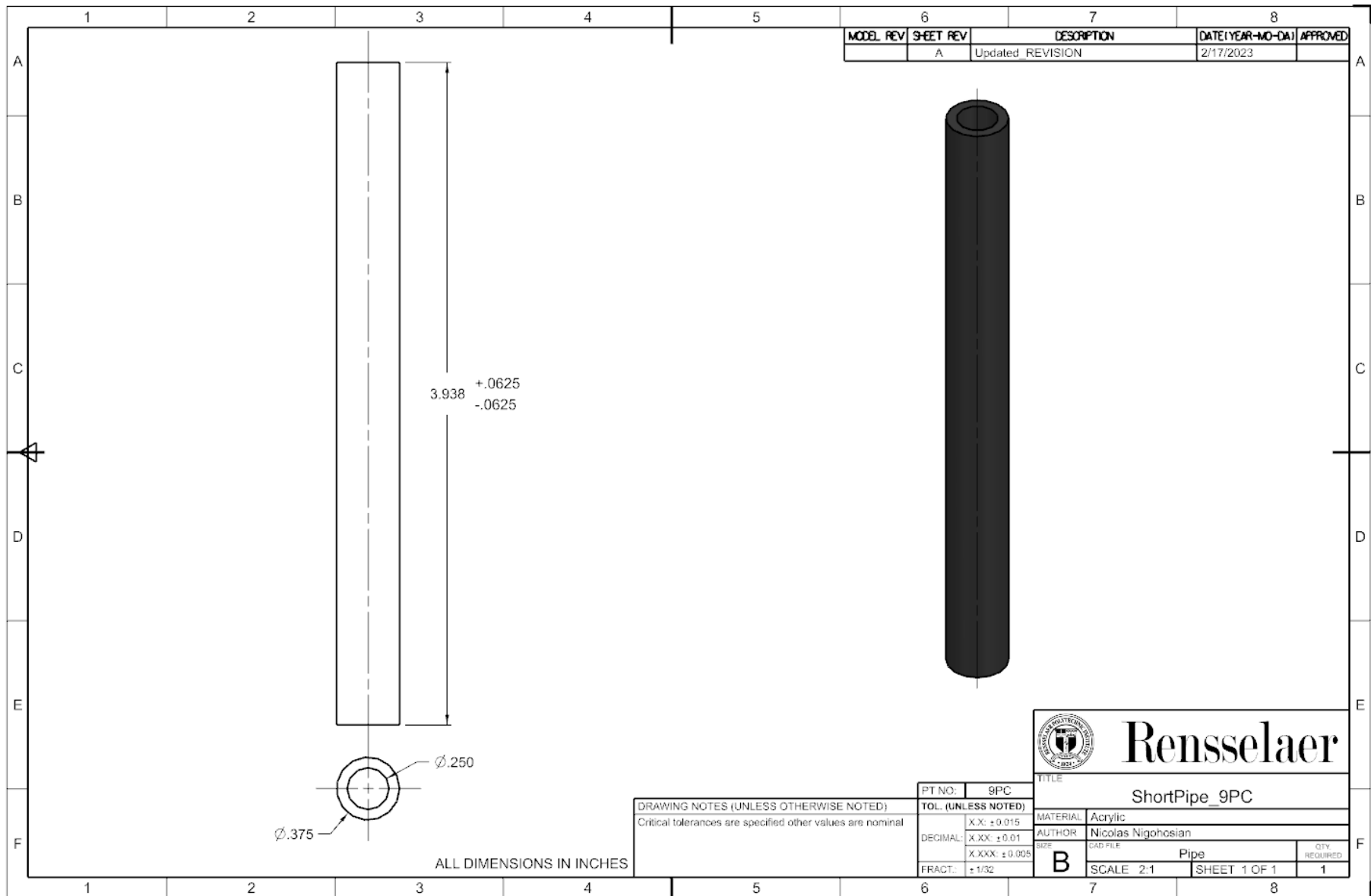


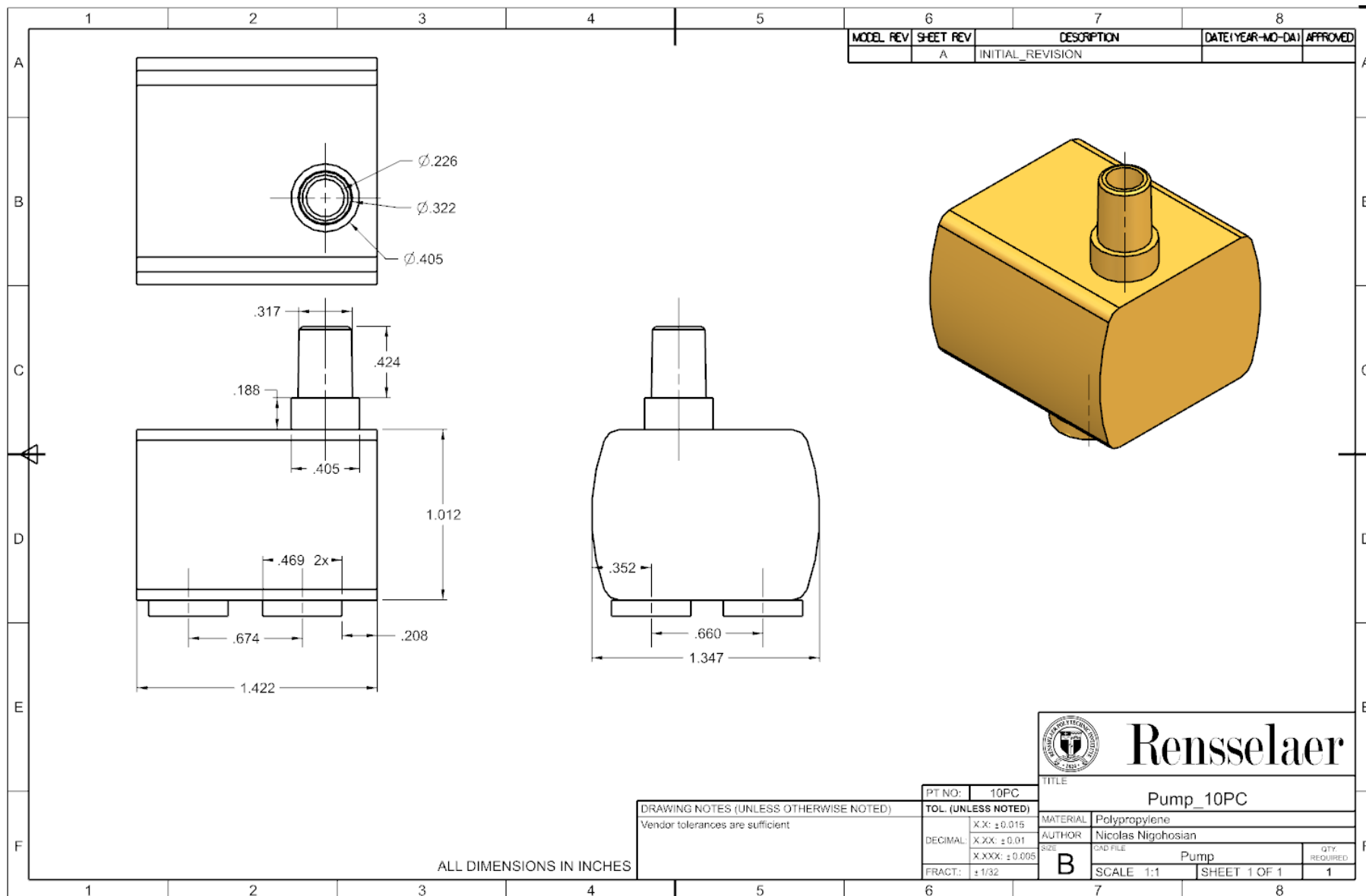




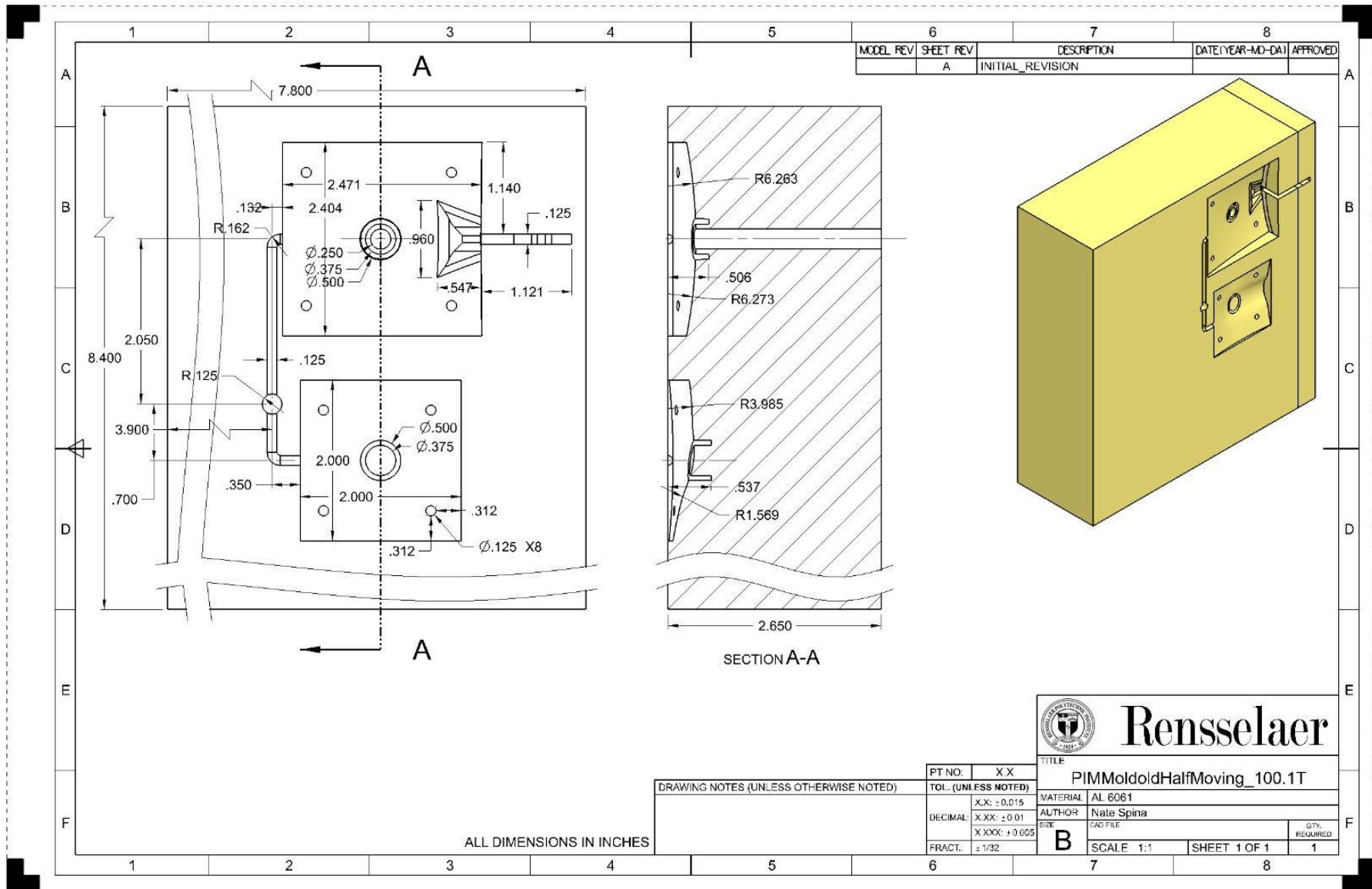


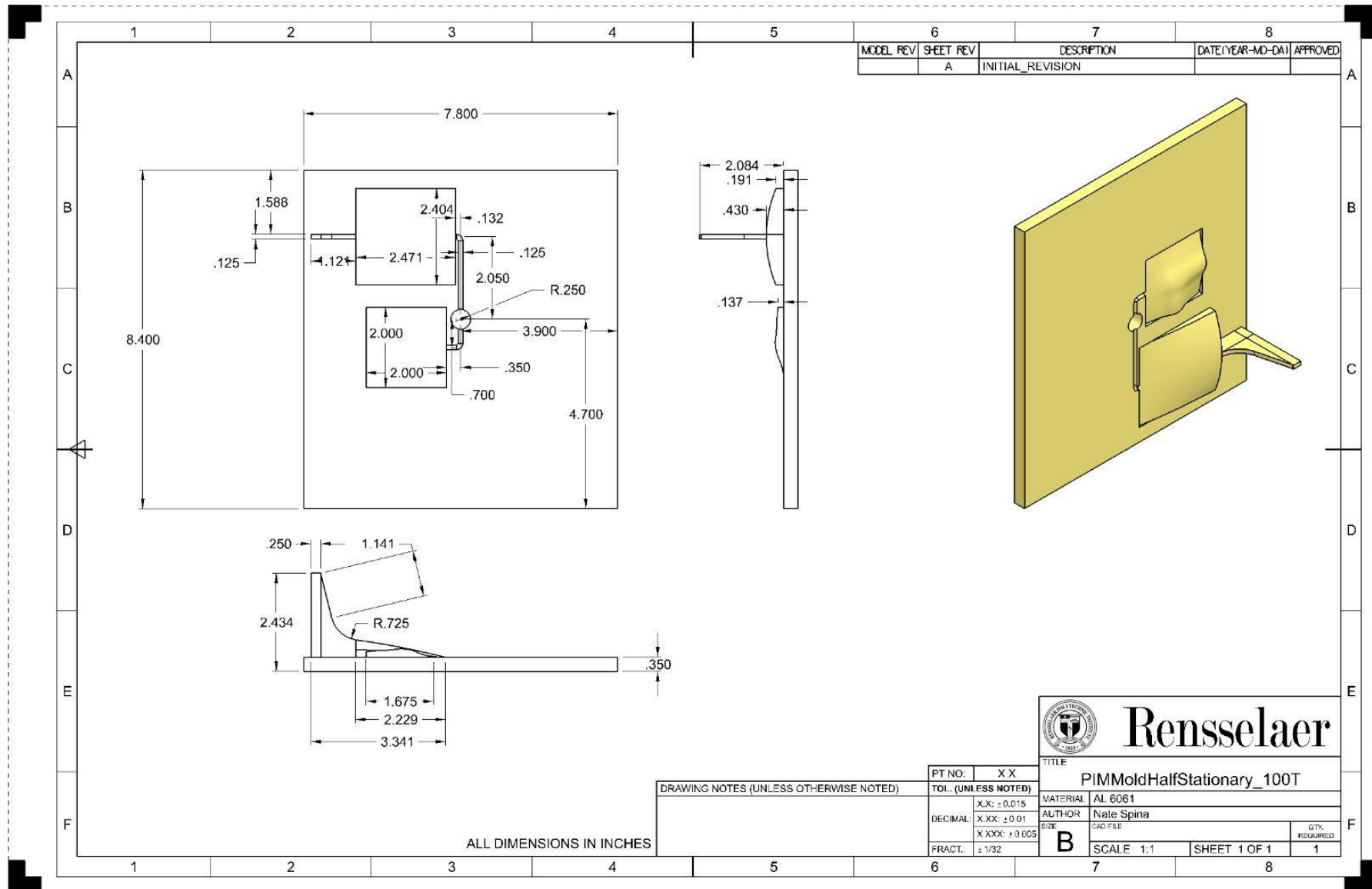




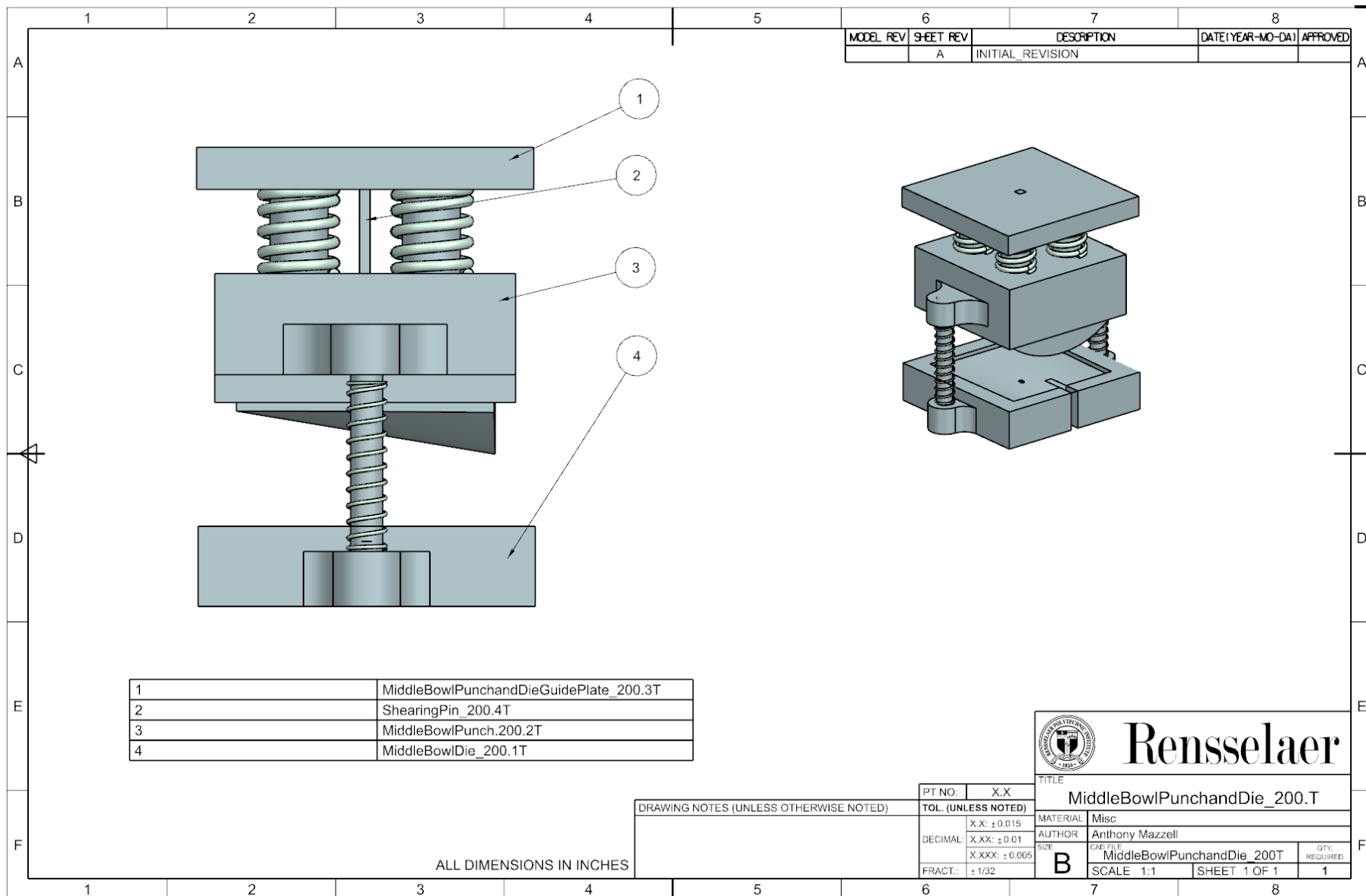


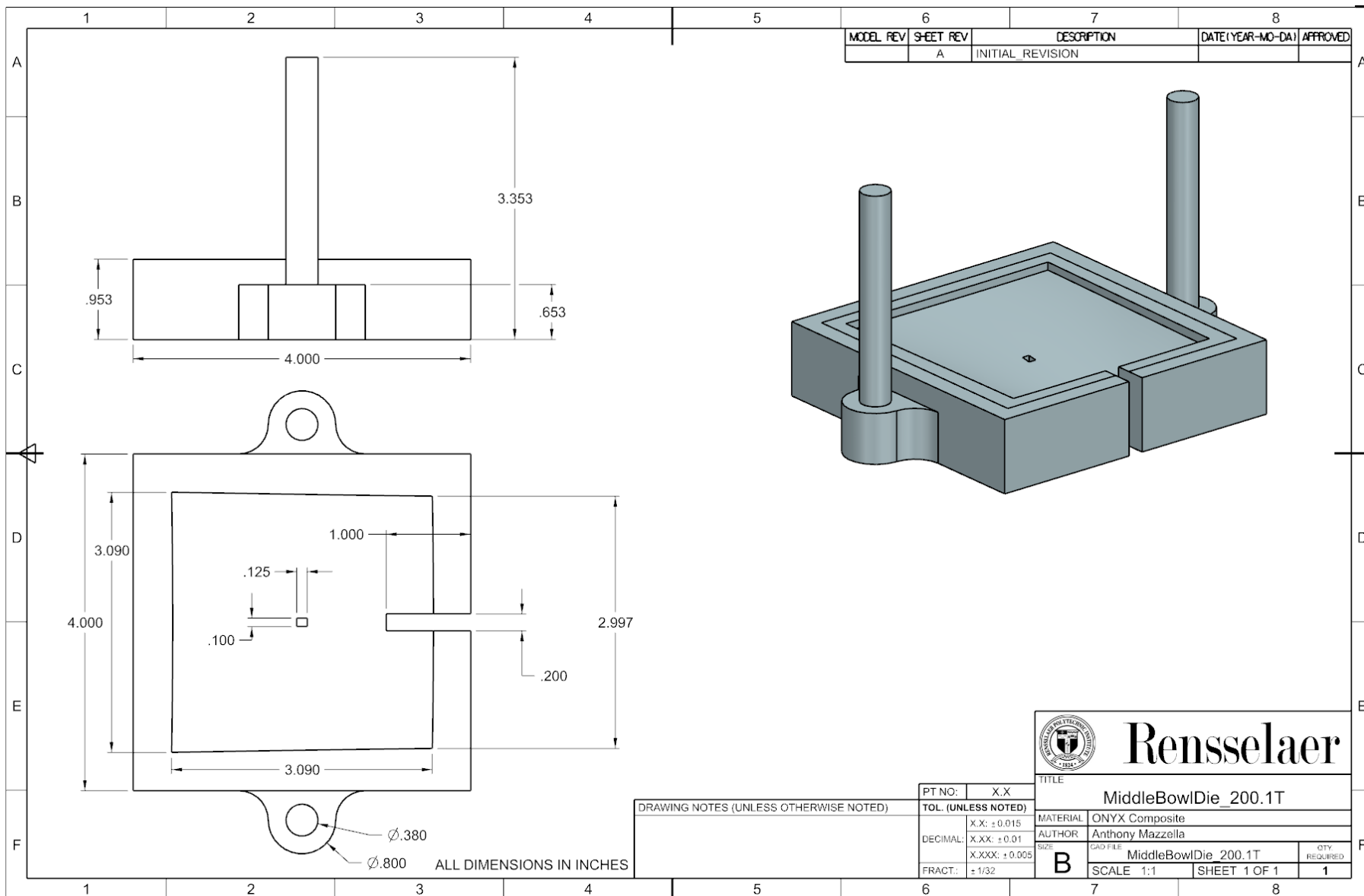
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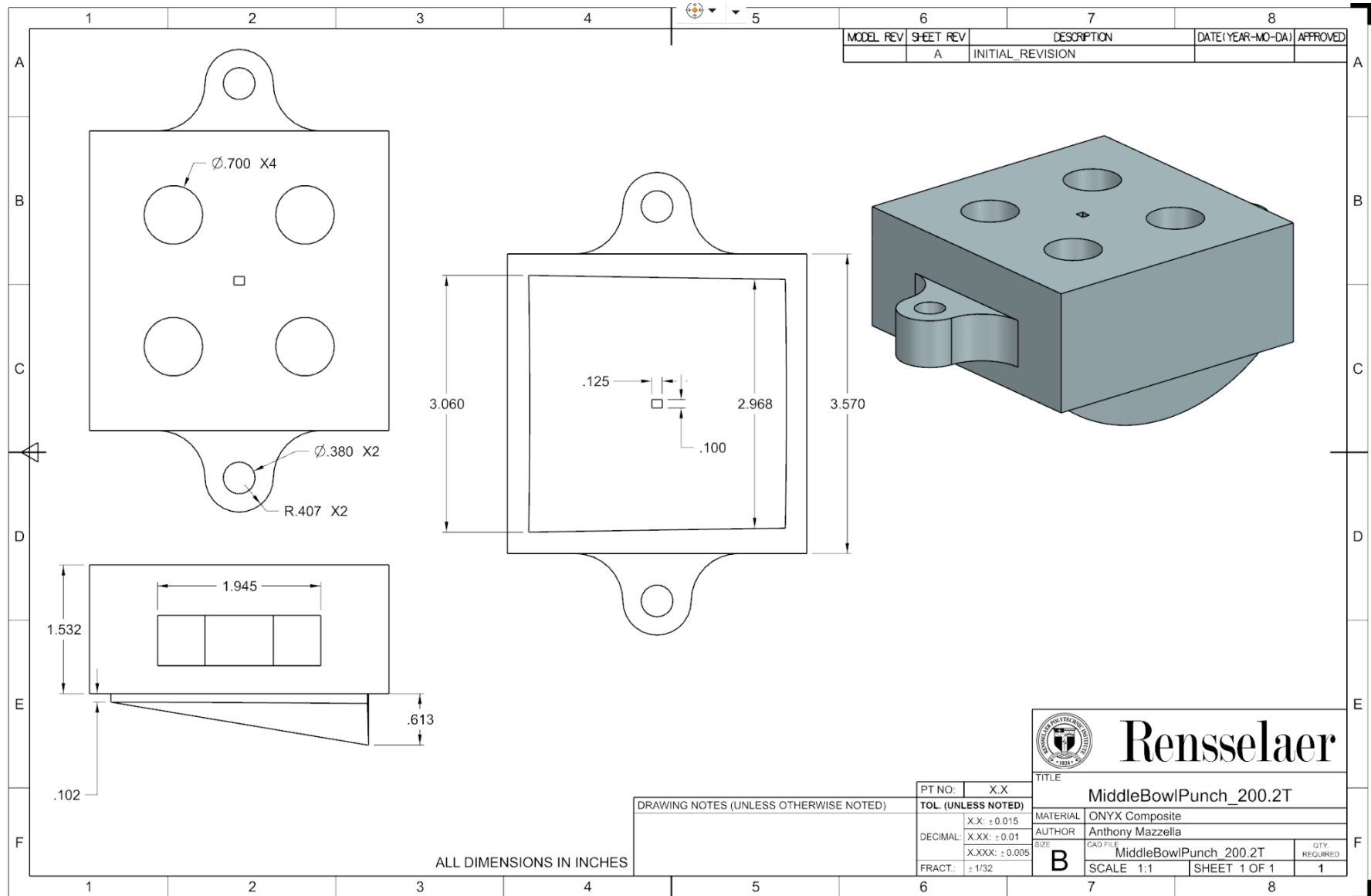


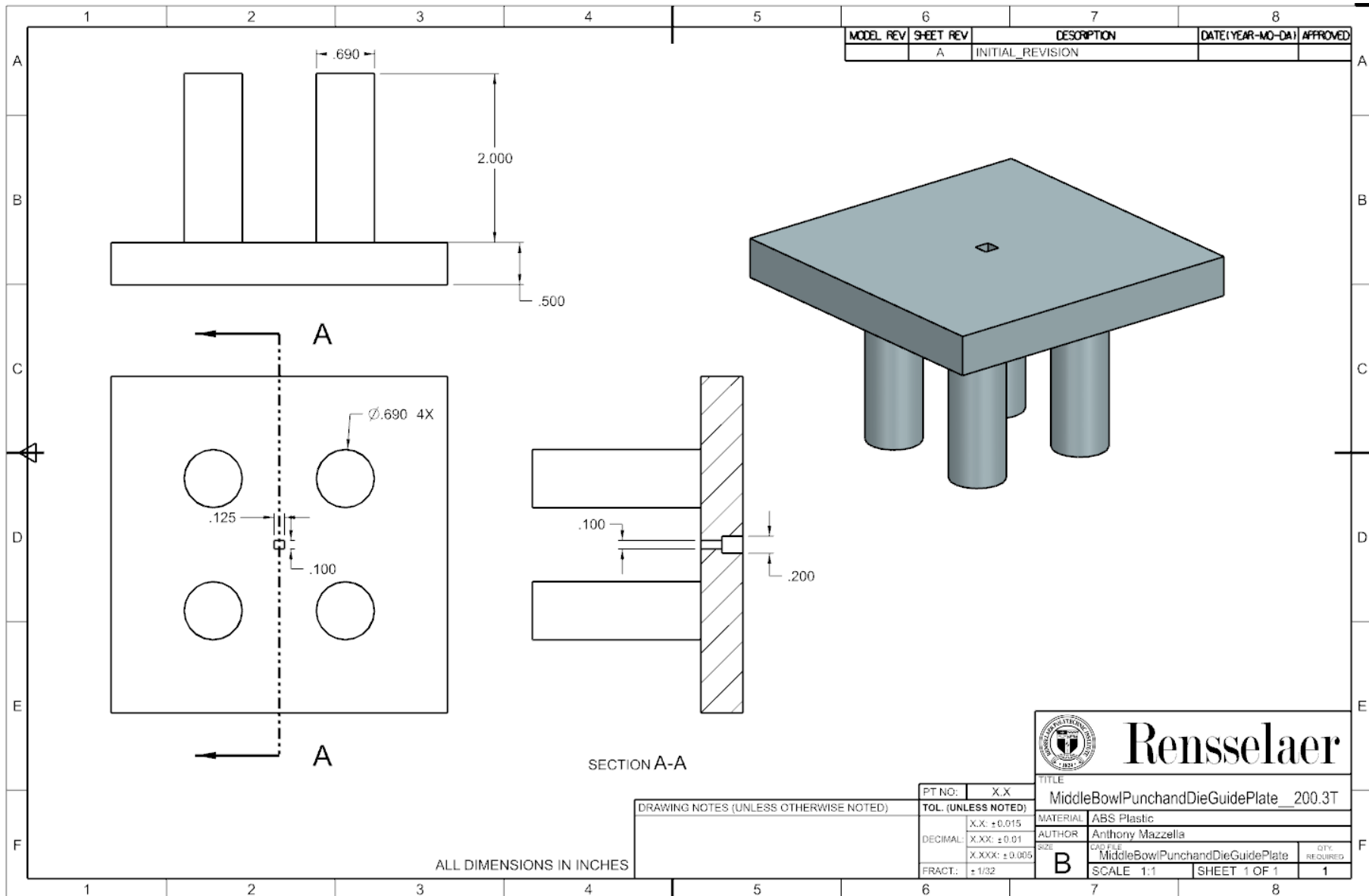


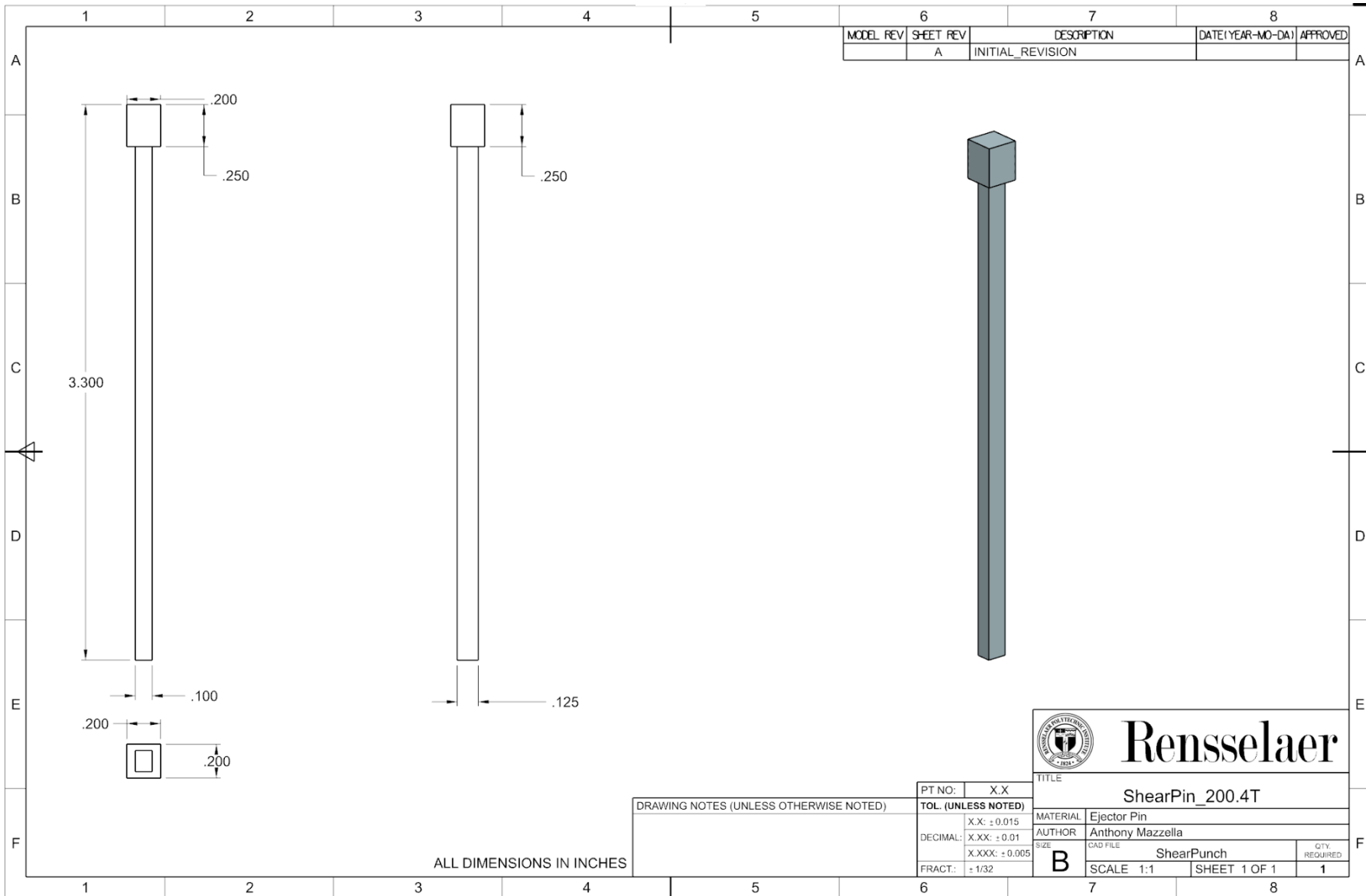


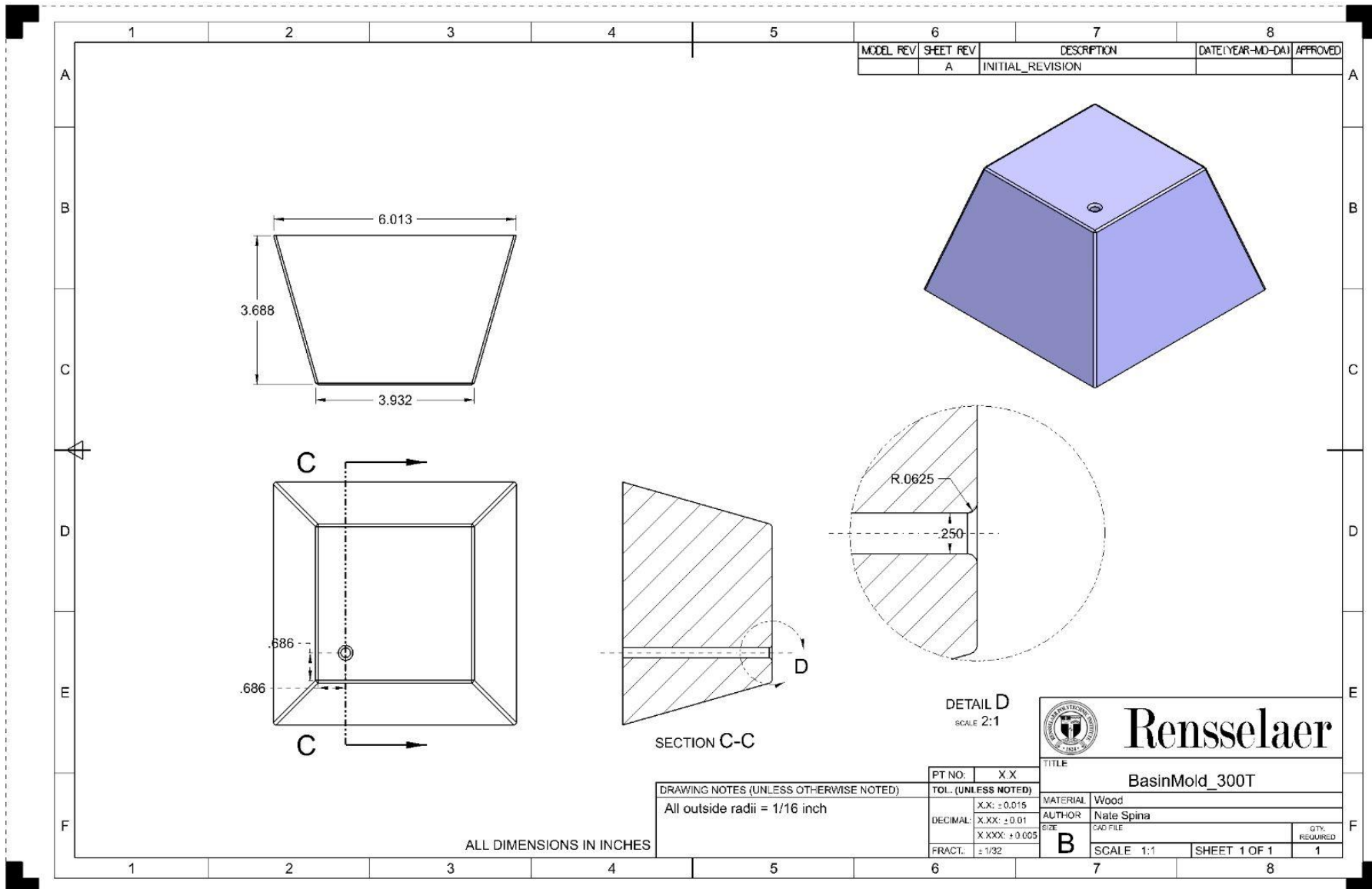


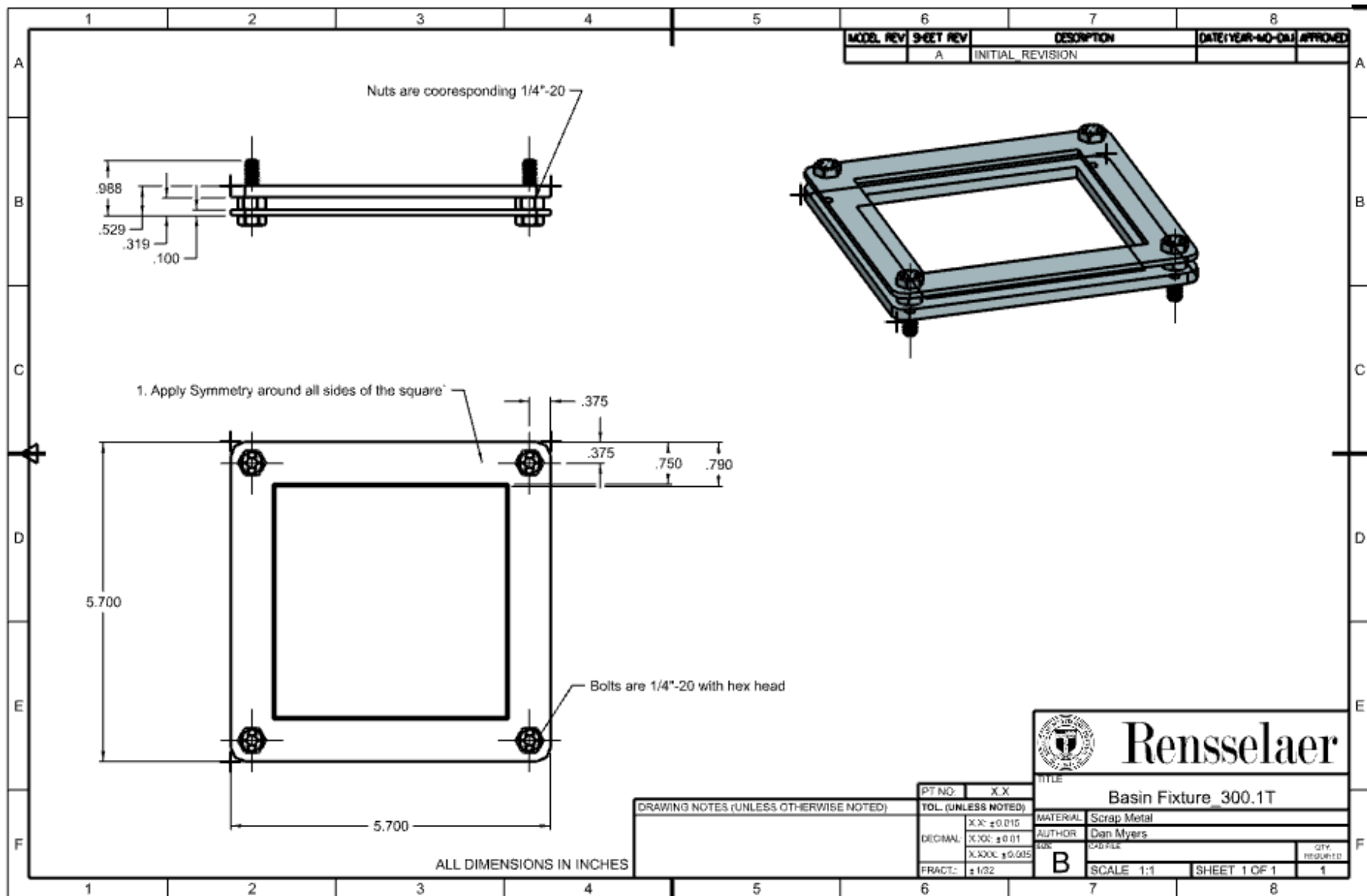






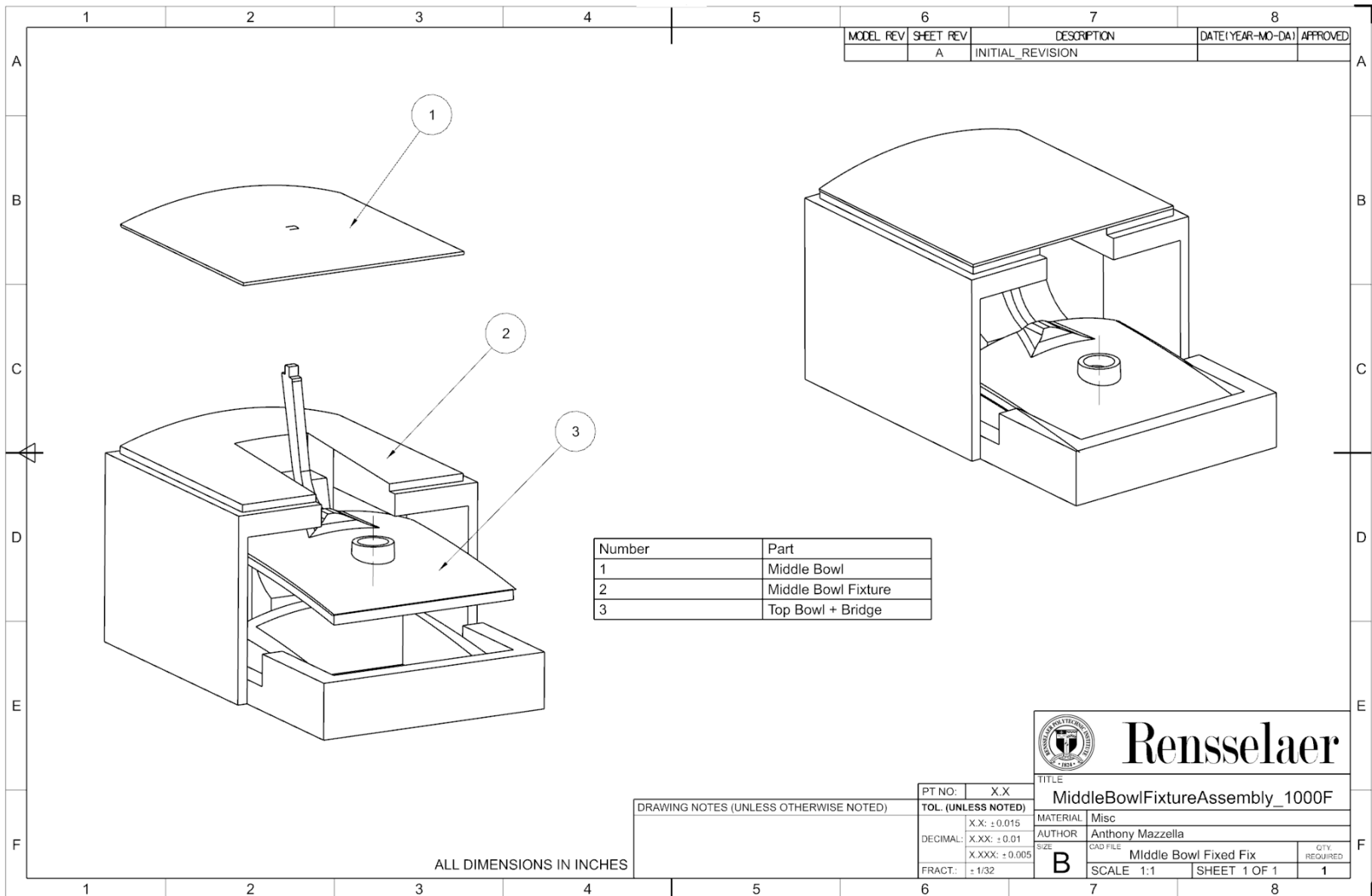


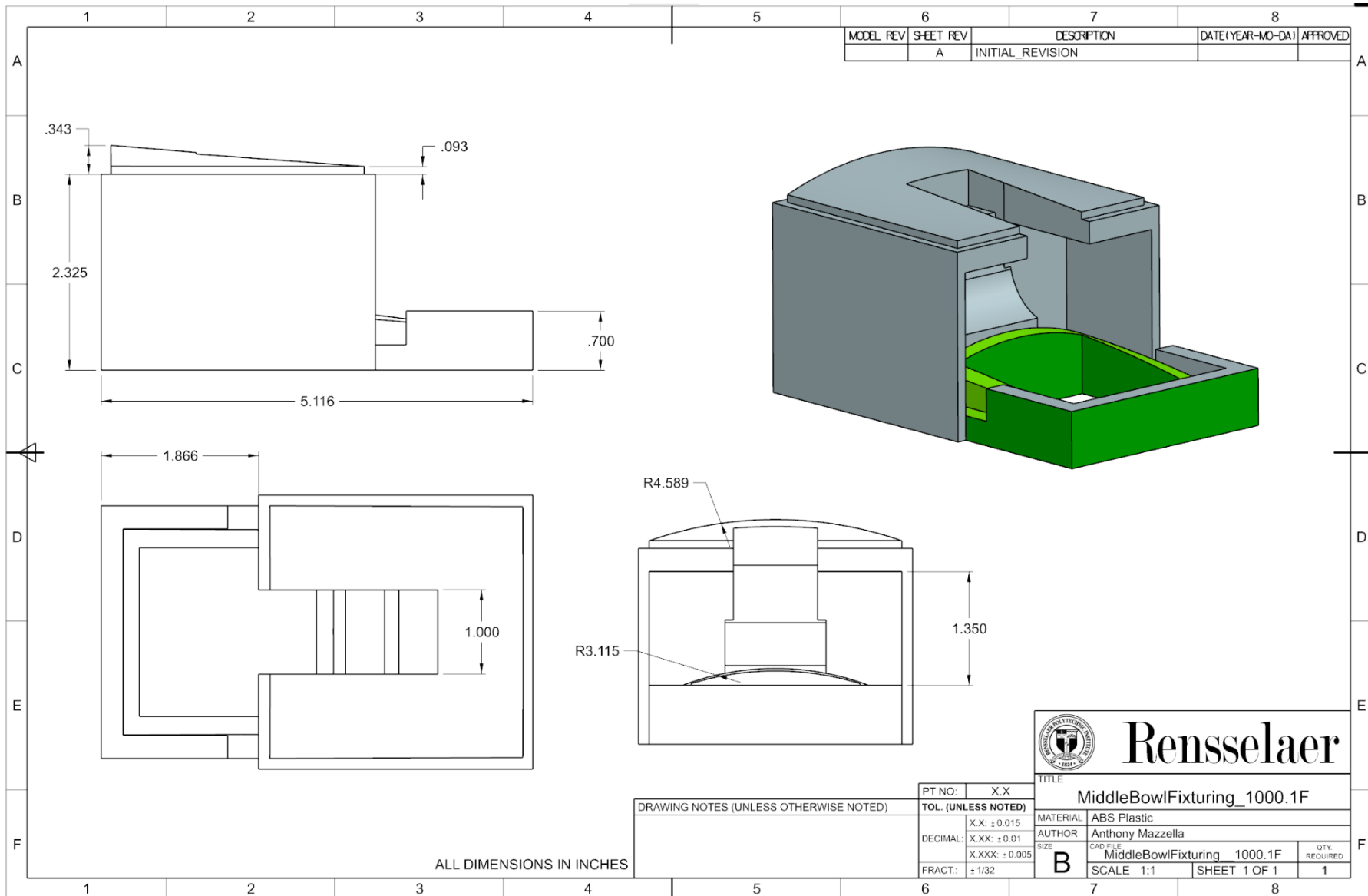


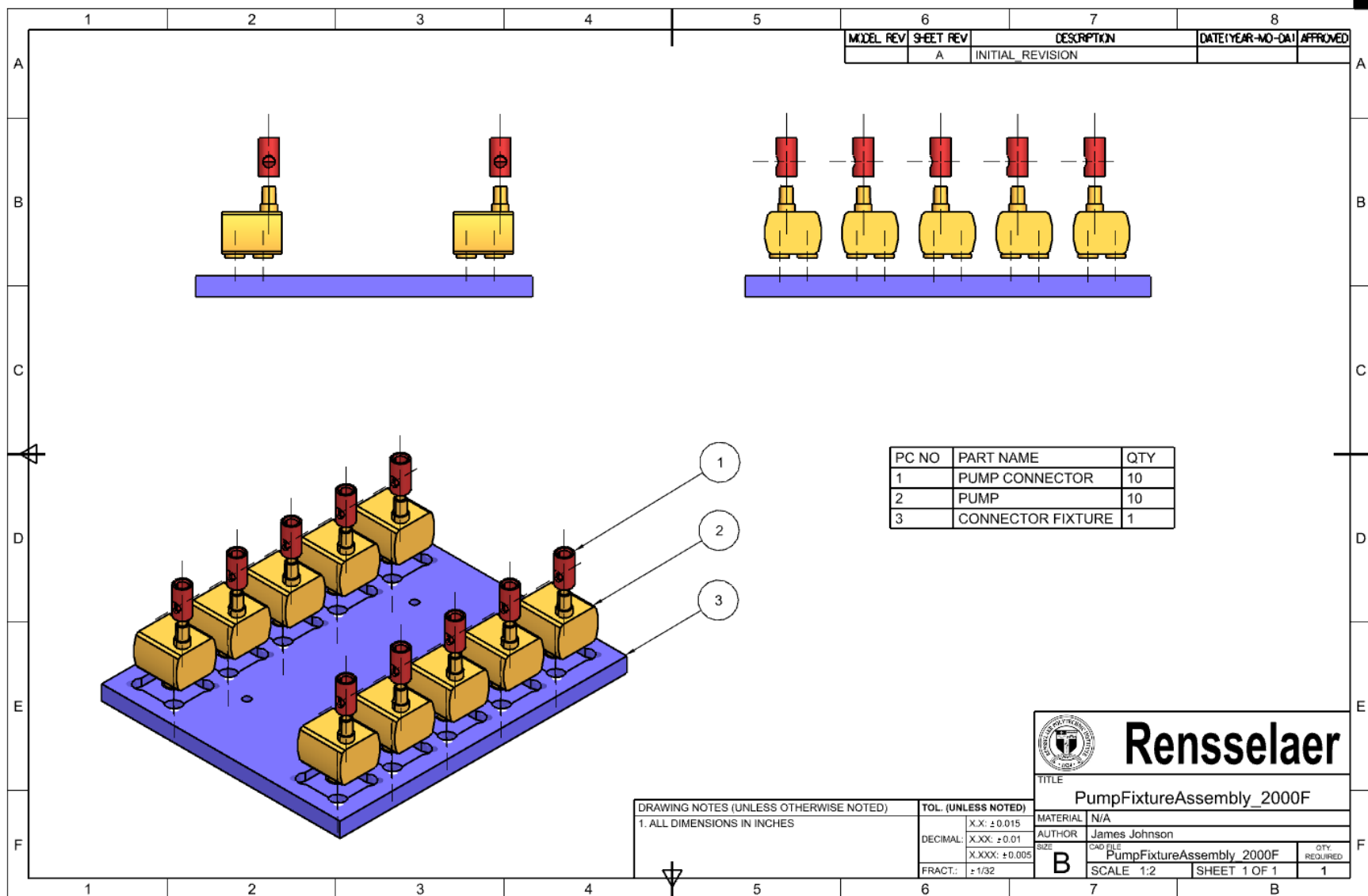


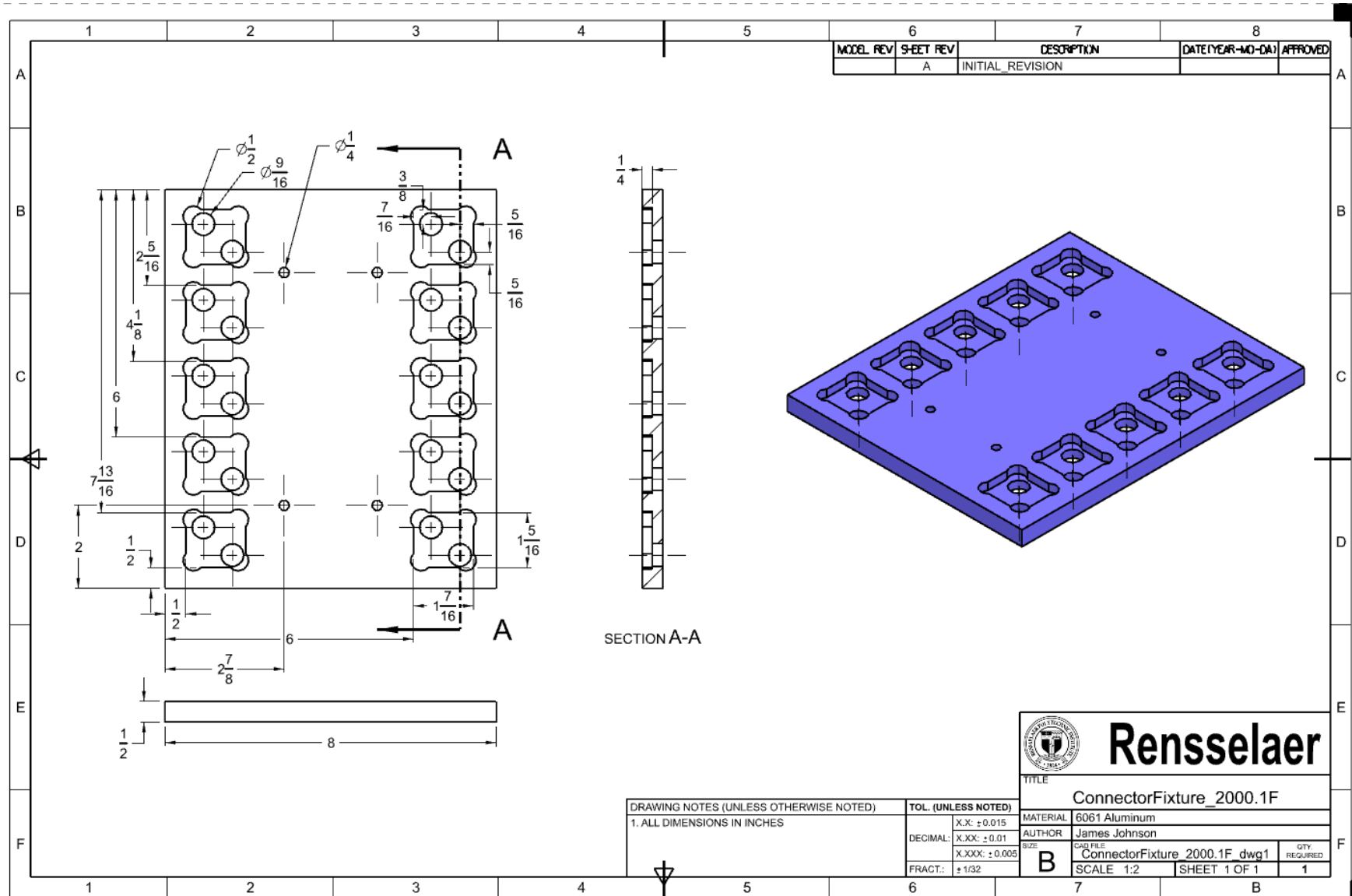
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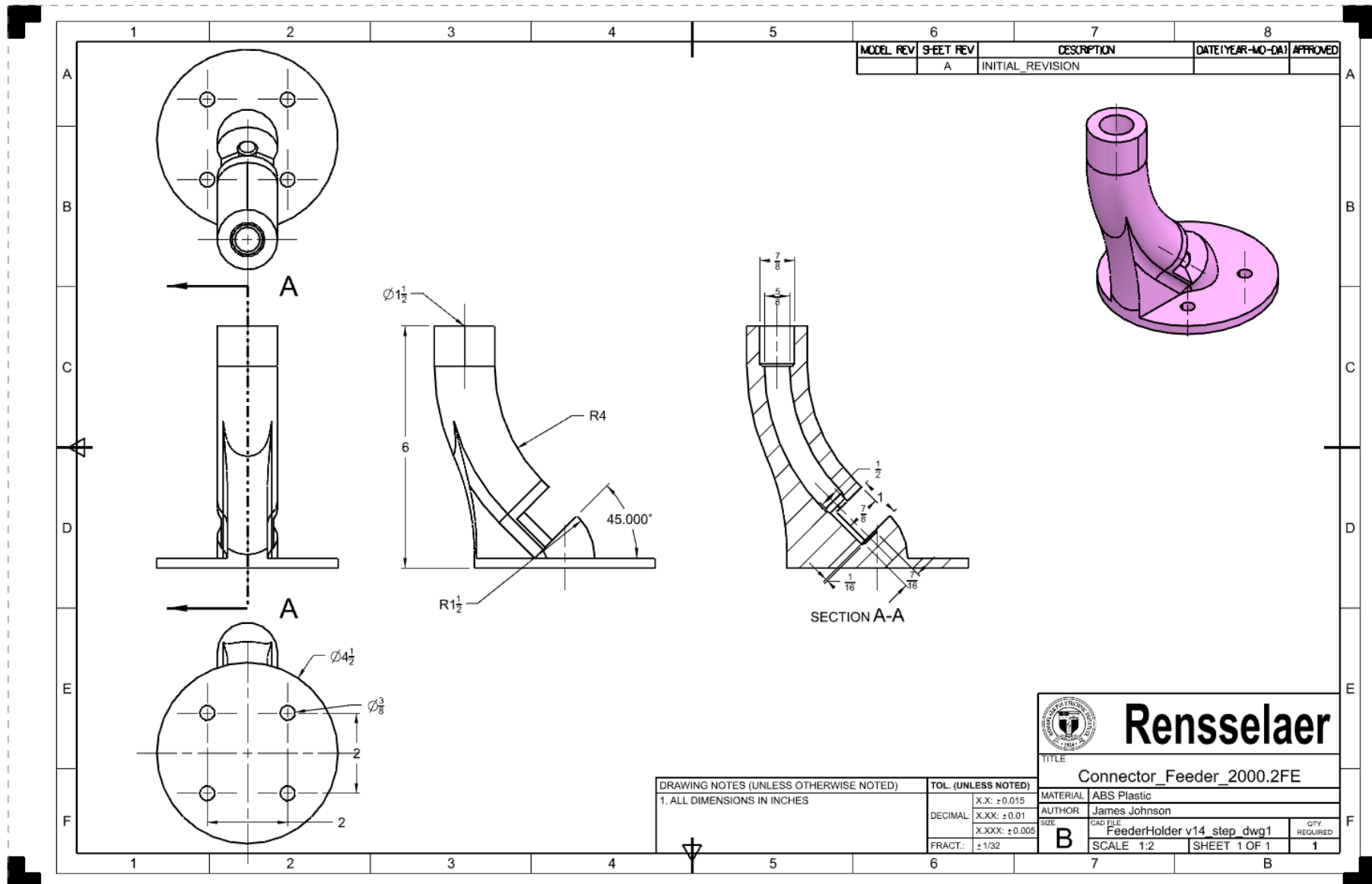


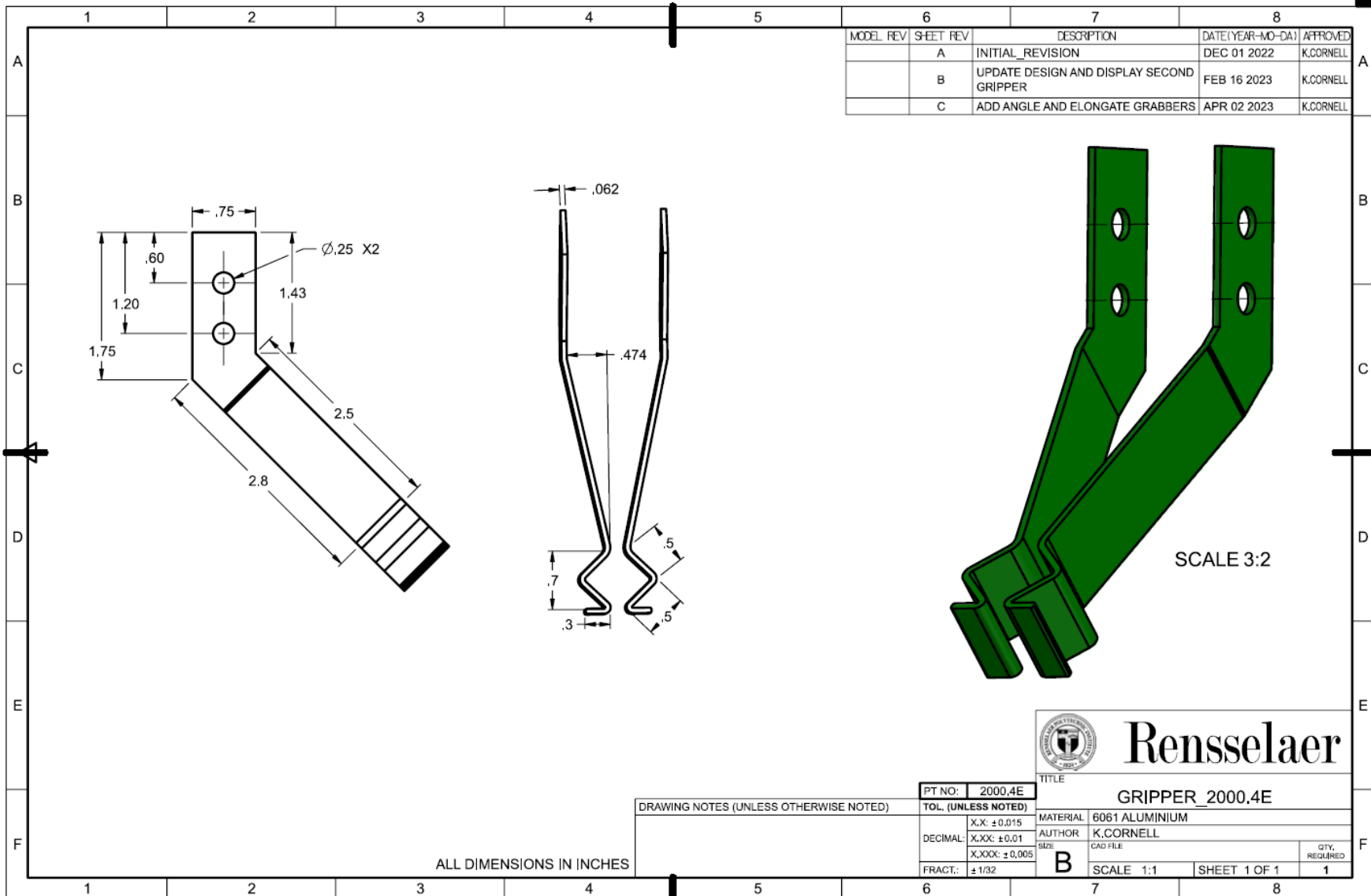


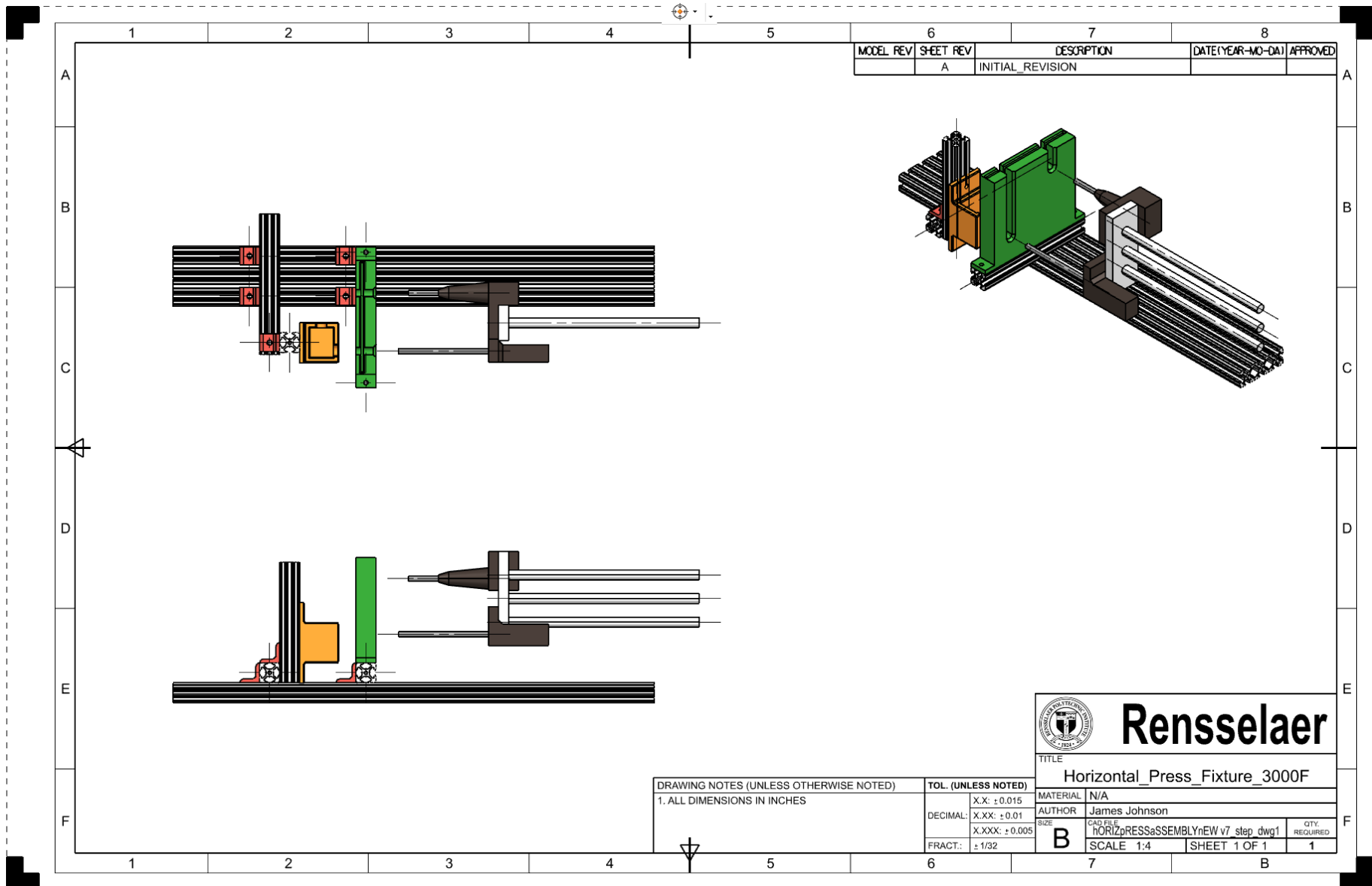






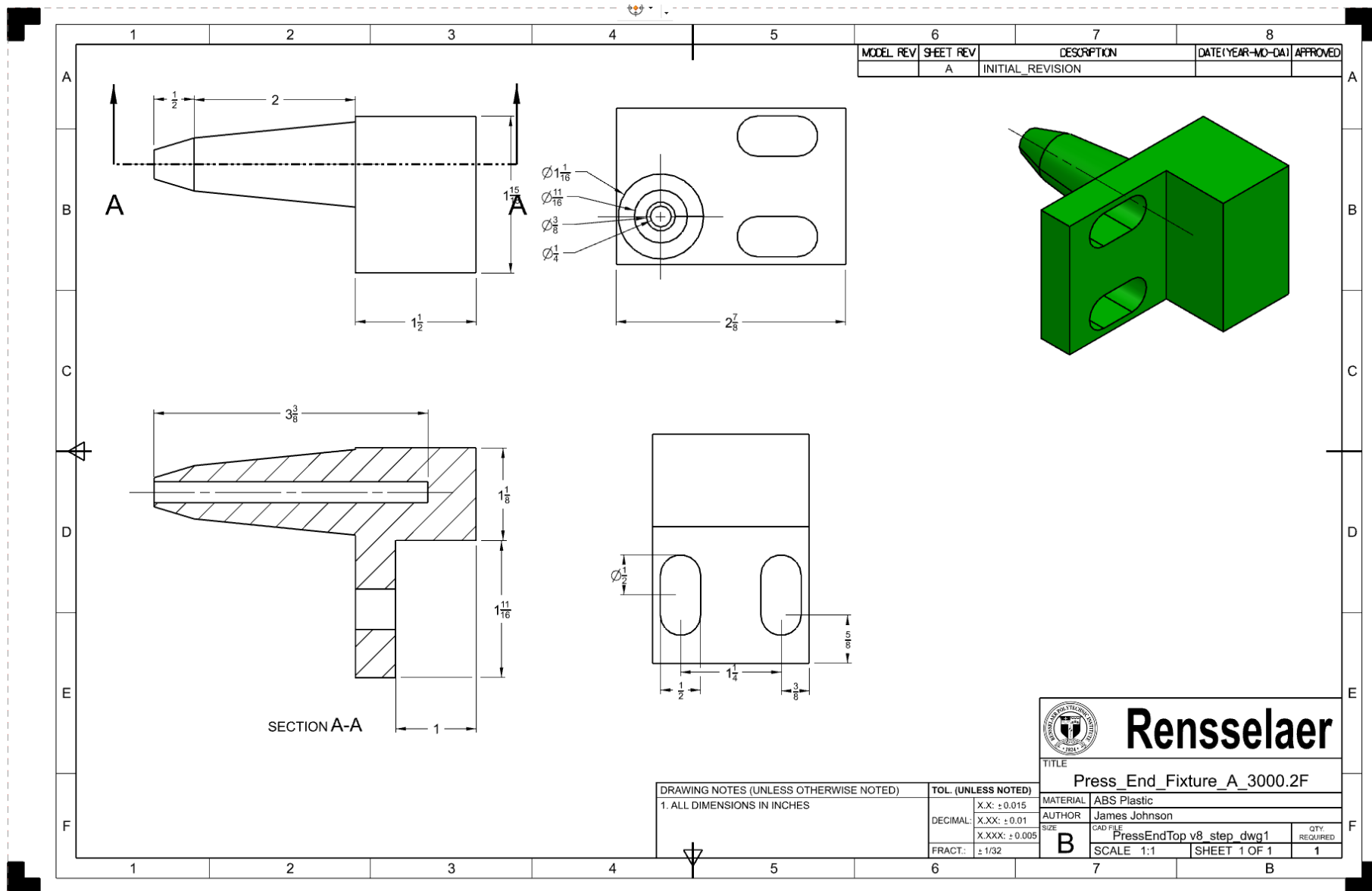


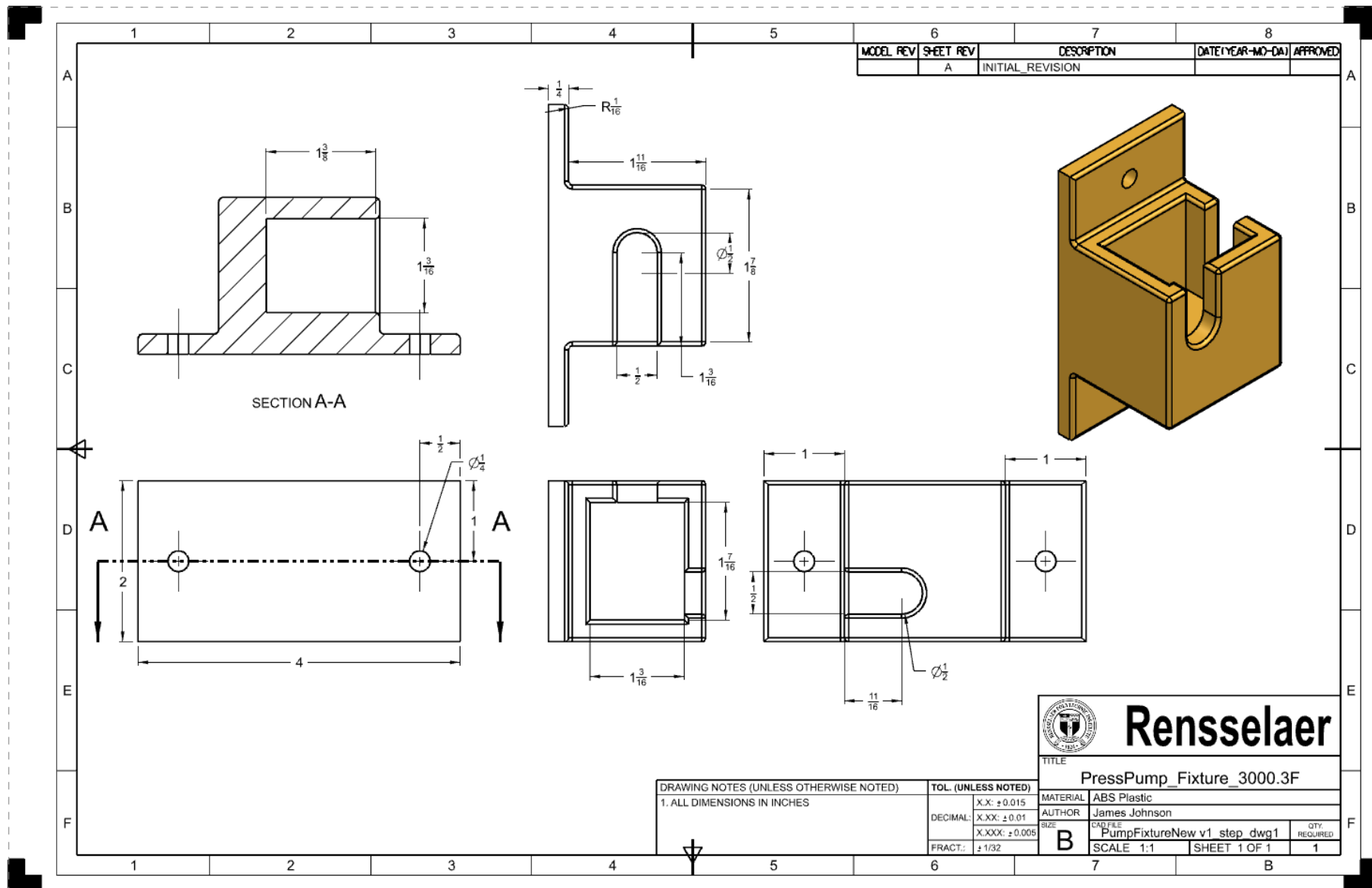


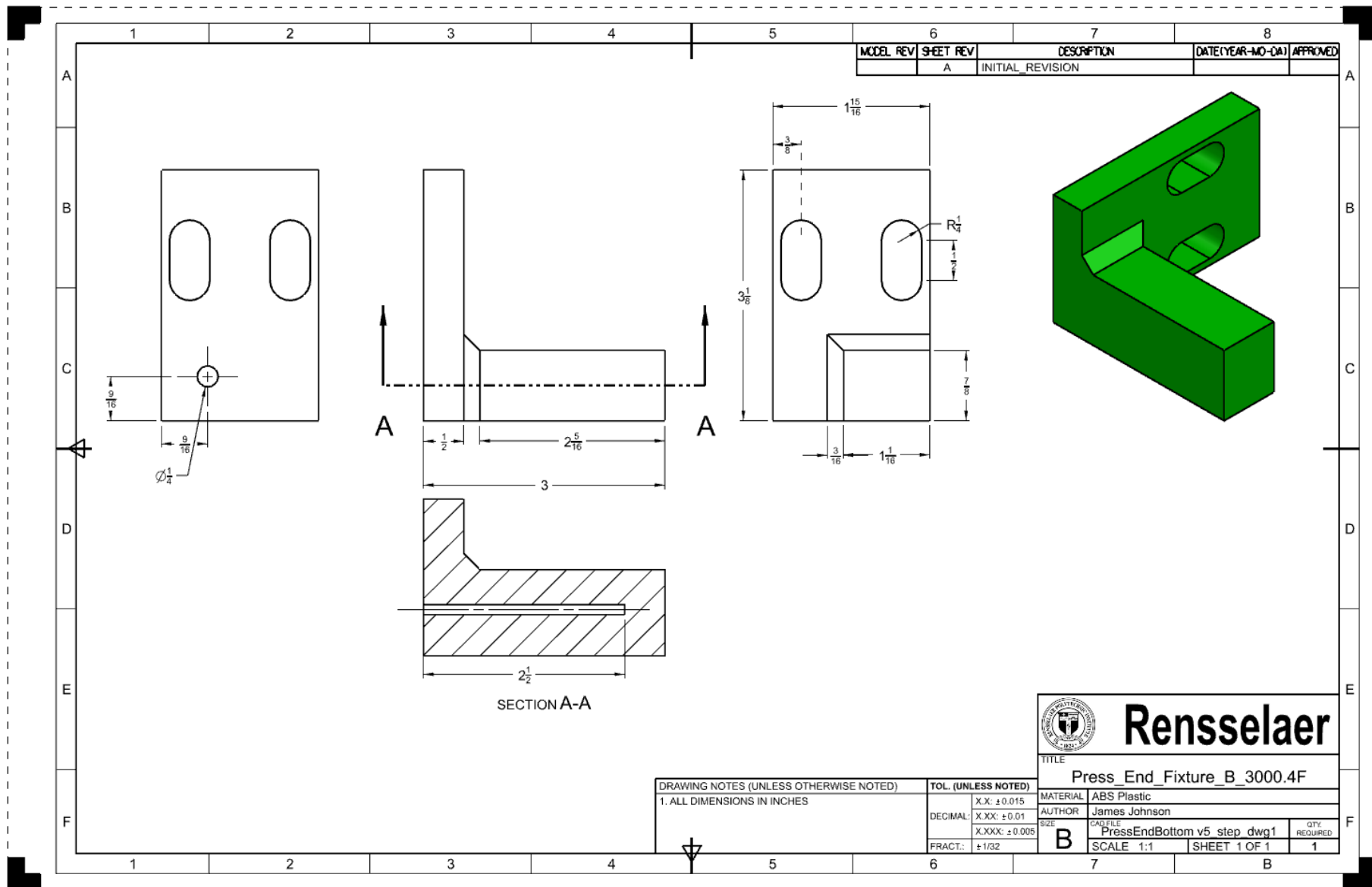




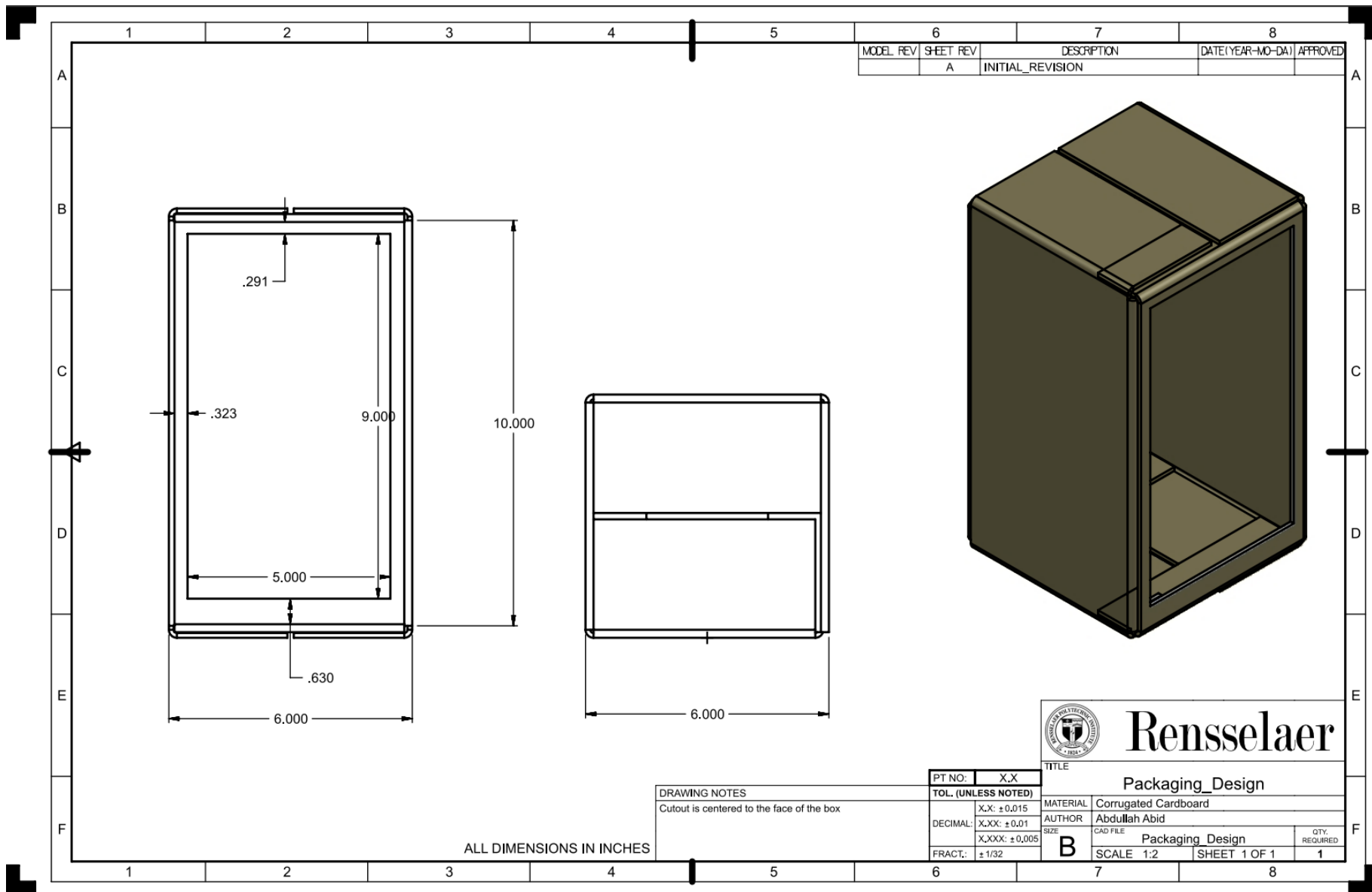






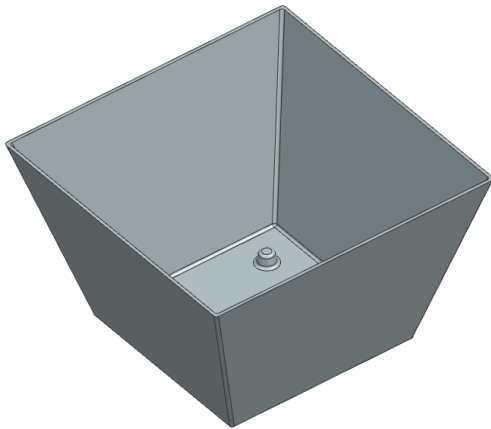


# **Packaging Drawings**



## **Section 4: Product Component Manufacturing Sheets**

## 4.1 Basin Manufacturing Sheet

| BOM #             | Isometric View   |
|-------------------|--|
| 1C                |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name |  |
| Basin             |  |
| Drawing Title     |  |
| Basin_1C          |  |

| Part Information                                 |                         |
|--|-------------------------|
| Material Type                                    | Black ABS Plastic Sheet |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL        |
| Part Count Required                              | 300                     |

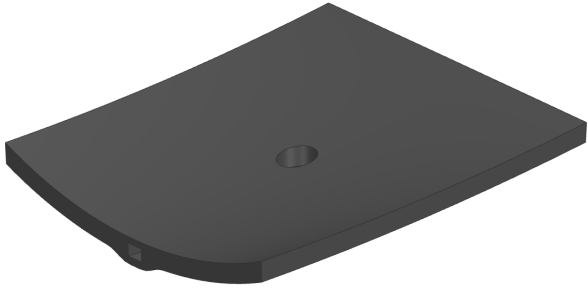
| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan             |   |                     |                      |
|---|---|---------------------|----------------------|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                   |   |                     |                      |
| Process   | Vacuum Forming  |                     |                      |
| Machine Tool                                    | Formech Vacuum Former   |                     |                      |
| Tooling Needed                                  | BOM #   | BOM/3D Model Name   | Drawing Title        |
|   | 300T  | Vacuum Forming Mold | BasinMold_300T       |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters             | Timer: 60 seconds<br>Mold travel speed: Moderate<br>Heat settings: All zones at 100%  |                     |                      |
| Quality Control                                 | Make sure there isn't any wrinkling or defects in the basin prior to laser cutting. These defects can be resolved by more rounded edges or adjustment of temperature during the molding process. Put water into every 30th basin to ensure it doesn't leak. |                     |                      |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations   | N/A   |                     |                      |
| Notes   | Mold was originally created through the rapid prototyping of a FDM print with ABS.<br>Mold was recreated out of a block of MDF material due to printed mold melting and deforming.  |                     |                      |
| Secondary Manufacturing Process/Post-Processing |   |                     |                      |
| Process   | Laser Cutting   |                     |                      |
| Machine Tool                                    | Thunder Laser Nova 35   |                     |                      |
| Tooling Needed                                  | Name  | BOM #               | Drawing #            |
|   | 1C  | Basin Fixture       | Basin Fixture_300.1T |

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>Associated Manufacturing Parameters</b>           | Cutting settings of 5 mm/s speed and 80% intensity        |
| <b>Quality Control</b>                               | Visual inspection of any defective parts and sanding edge |
| <b>Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations</b> | N/A   |
| <b>Notes</b>   | N/A   |

| <b>Responsible Team Member(s)</b> | <b>Name</b>        | <b>Date</b> |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
|                                   | Nicolas Nigohosian | 10/12/2022  |



## 4.2 Top Bowl Manufacturing Sheet

| BOM #             | Isometric View   |
|-------------------|--|
| 5C                |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name |  |
| Top Bowl          |  |
| Drawing Title     |  |
| TopBowl_5C        |  |

| Part Information                                 |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| Material Type                                    | ABS Plastic Pellets |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL    |
| Part Count Required                              | 300                 |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan |   |                          |                            |
|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Primary Manufacturing Process       |   |                          |                            |
| Process                             | Plastic Injection Molding   |                          |                            |
| Machine Tool                        | Arburg Allrounder 221K  |                          |                            |
| Tooling Needed                      | BOM #   | BOM/3D Model Name        | Drawing Title              |
|                                     | 100T  | PIM Mold Half Stationary | PIMMoldHalfStationary_100T |
|                                     | 100.1T  | PIM Mold Half Moving     | PIMMoldHalfMoving_100.1T   |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters | <p>Melt Temp: 220°C<br/> Mold Temp: 50°C<br/> Screw Speed: 10-15 meters/min<br/> Back Pressure: 60-90 Bar<br/> Injection Pressure: 2.56 ksi<br/> Pack/Hold Pressure: 500-1100 bar</p> <p>0.25 inch ejector pins<br/> Shrinkage Allowances: ABS shrink factor S = 0.006 inches/inch<br/> Draft Angles: part designed with 2° draft angles on all hard corners.<br/> Thickness: part designed with uniform 0.1" wall thicknesses.</p> <p>Part will be overmolded onto the preexisting bridge.</p> |                          |                            |
| Quality Control                     | <p>The part should pass visual inspection upon assembly for any cracks or major defects that could affect water flow. Part should fit snugly on the pipe so that part does not move freely or fall off if turned upside down. Reject part if it does not meet criteria.</p> <p>The first molded part should go through a full inspection. Every 10 parts after should go through inspection for the fit between the pipe and bowl.</p> <p>Tolerancing for Bowl to Pipe Connection:</p>          |                          |                            |

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|--|---|
|  | Diameter: $0.500 \pm 0.015$<br>Height: $0.250 \pm 0.01$<br>Critical tolerancing press fit. Must be able to withstand upward force of water. |
| <b>Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations</b> | Shot Size = Cavity Volume + Runner Volume = $\text{in}^3$<br>Cavity Volume: $0.7928 \text{ in}^3$   |
| <b>Notes</b>   | Surface Finishing Requirements<br>1. Remove any flashing and sharp edges<br>2. Remove sprue, runners, and gate from the finished part       |

| Responsible Team Member(s) | Name         | Date      |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------|
|                            | Daniel Myers | 10/4/2022 |
|                            | Nick Porter  | 10/4/2022 |

#### 4.2.1 Top Bowl MoldFlow Simulations

Table 4.2.1 Top Bowl MoldFlow Summary

|                  |         |
|------------------|---------|
| Cycle Time (s)   | 30.8122 |
| Time to Fill (s) | 0.8122  |

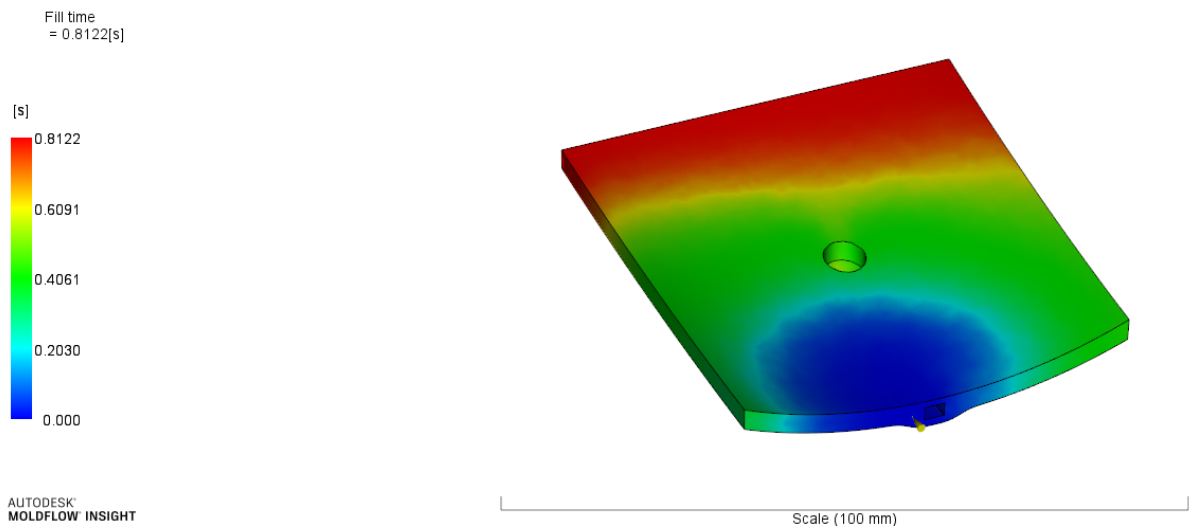
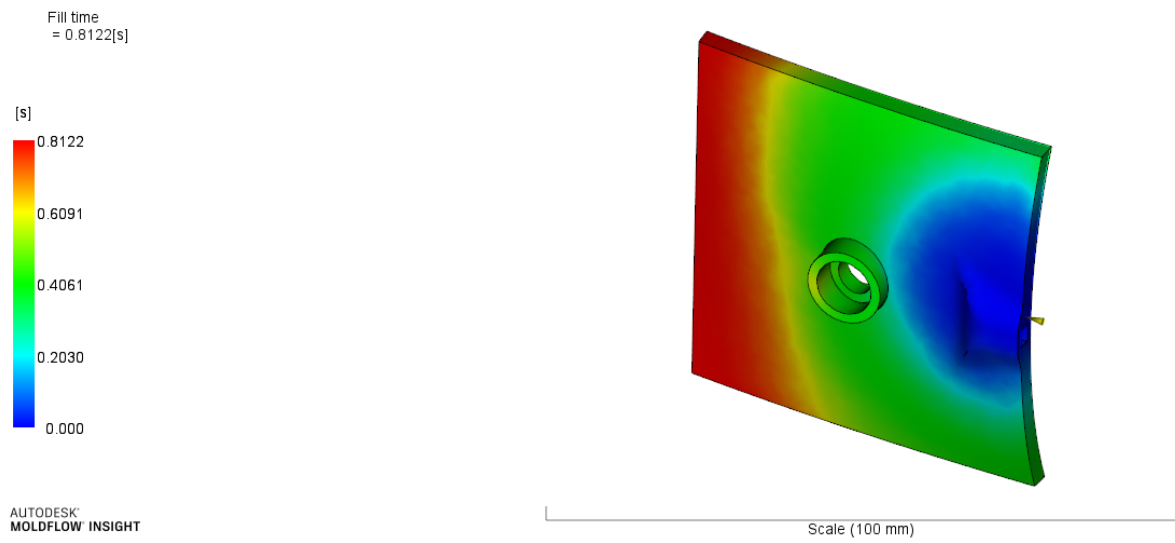
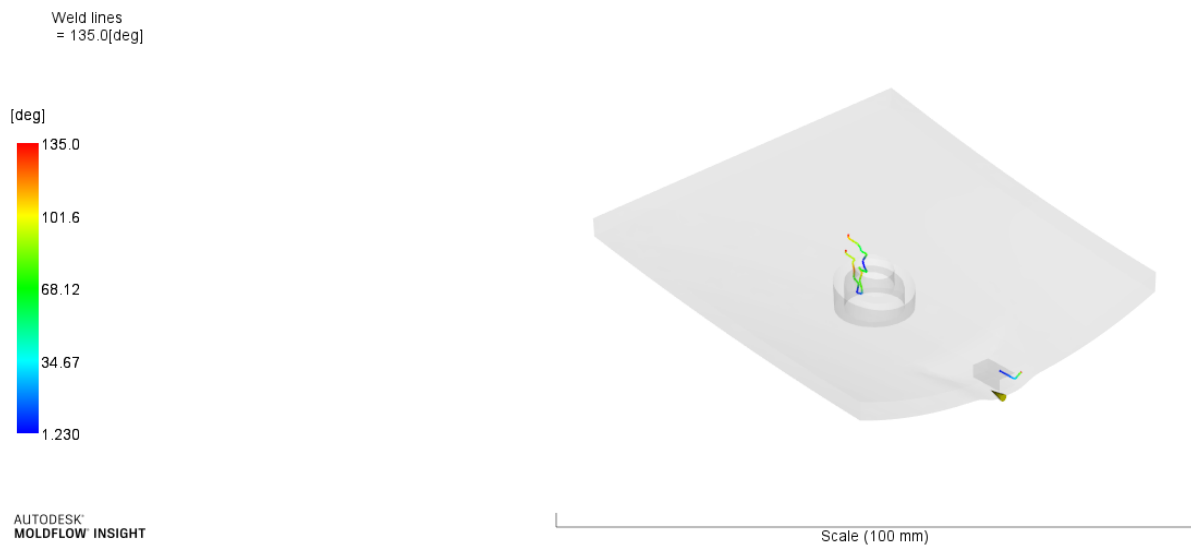


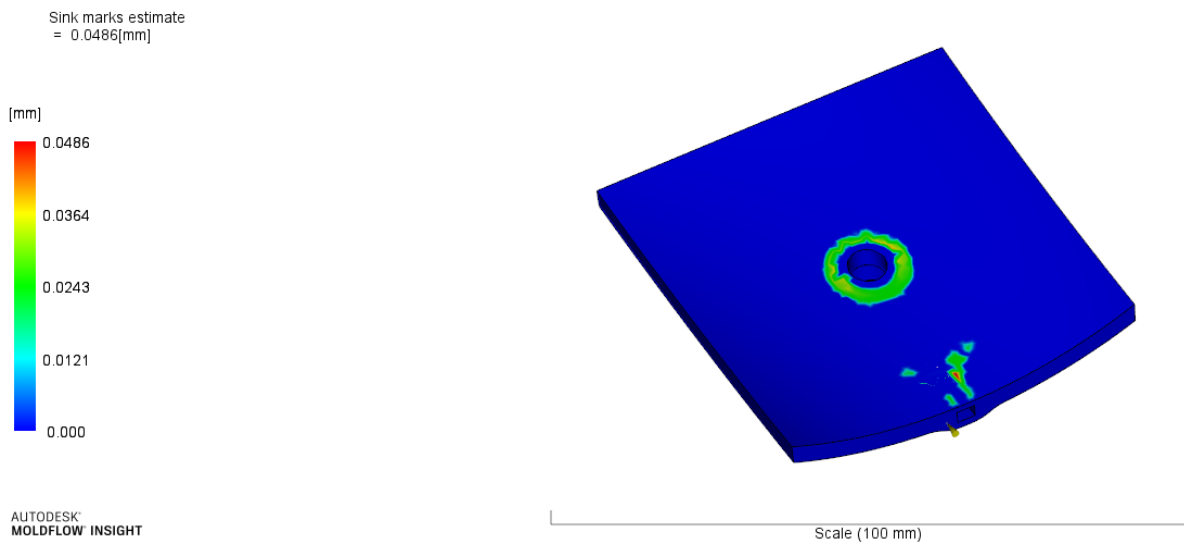
Figure 4.2.1 Top Bowl Fill Time



**Figure 4.2.2 Top Bowl Fill Time**



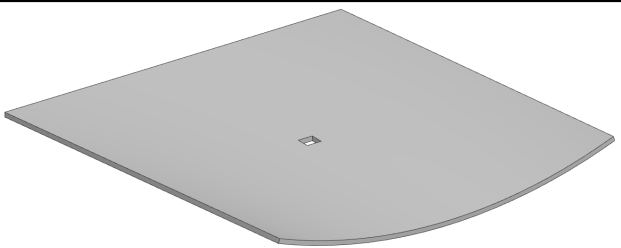
**Figure 4.2.3 Top Bowl Weld Lines**



**Figure 4.2.4 Top Bowl Sink Marks**

Figure 4.2.1 and 4.2.2 show the plastic injection molding fill time for the top bowl. It is valuable to run a simulation on the fill time to make sure that the whole part can be molded from that injection point. It takes 0.8122 seconds to fill the entire part. Figures 4.2.3 and 4.2.4 show potential defects and defect locations within the molding of the top bowl. After the first few parts are created, these locations should be most closely monitored to see if PIM settings should be adjusted. The weld lines shown in Figure 4.2.3 show up mainly on the underside of the part, which is minimally visible to the user and so is a good place for a defect to be. The sink marks shown in Figure 4.2.4 predominantly show up in the middle of the piece, which is also permissible because water will pool in these locations anyway.

### 4.3 Middle Bowl Manufacturing Sheet

| BOM #             | Isometric View   |
|-------------------|--|
| 4C                |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name |  |
| Middle Bowl       |  |
| Drawing Title     |  |
| MiddleBowl_4C     |  |

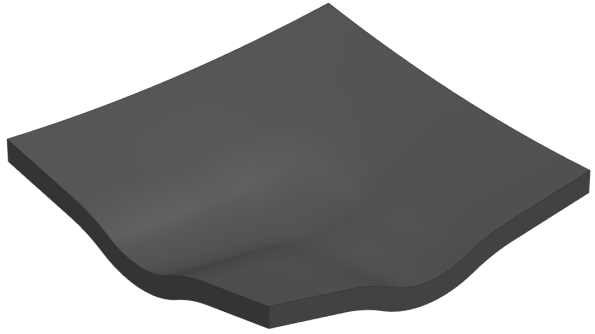
| Part Information                                 |   |
|--|---|
| Material Type                                    | Stainless Steel                         |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | T-410 Stainless Steel Sheet (From MILL) |
| Part Count Required                              | 300                                     |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan           |  |                   |                        |
|---|--|-------------------|------------------------|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                 |  |                   |                        |
| Process                                       | Shearing   |                   |                        |
| Machine Tool                                  | Pexto Manual Kick Shear  |                   |                        |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | Square cuts of size 3.000"x3.000"  |                   |                        |
|   | Tolerancing:<br>±0.03125" L and W  |                   |                        |
| Quality Control                               | Every 10th blank will be inspected with calipers to ensure they fall within tolerance.   |                   |                        |
| Notes   | Scrap material to be discarded.  |                   |                        |
| Secondary Manufacturing Process               |  |                   |                        |
| Process                                       | Sheet Metal Drawing  |                   |                        |
| Machine Tool                                  | Drake Hydraulic Press  |                   |                        |
| Tooling Needed                                | BOM #  | BOM/3D Model Name | Drawing Title          |
|   | 200.1T   | Middle Bowl Die   | MiddleBowlDie_200.1T   |
|   | 200.2T   | Middle Bowl Punch | MiddleBowlPunch_200.2T |
| Description                                   | Draw blanks into a bowl shape using the Drake Hydraulic Press. The same machinery will punch away excess brim material and form a square hole in the middle.   |                   |                        |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | N/A  |                   |                        |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations | N/A  |                   |                        |
| Quality Control                               | Visually inspect parts for defects such as wrinkling and rough edges. The part should be inspected for cracks and proper shape to ensure proper water flow. The part should be able to fit over the bridge easily. The part must be able to withstand the force of flowing water without rotating or |                   |                        |

|   |  |
|---|--|
|   | rattling. Every 30 parts will be tested using a sample bridge part to ensure a proper and snug fit. If the part does not pass any of these inspections it must be rejected.  |
| Notes   | The parts will stay in the press after completion of deep drawing.   |
| <b>Tertiary Manufacturing Process</b>         |  |
| Process                                       | Brim Trimming and Hole Punching  |
| Machine Tool                                  | Drake Hydraulic press  |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | $F_{max}$ = Punch Force<br>UTS = 90,000psi<br>$S_o$ = Sheet Thickness = 0.036"<br>L = Total length Sheared = 0.45"   |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations | $F_{max} = 0.7 * (UTS) * S_o * L = 1,020.6lb$  |
| Quality Control                               | Parts will be visually inspected to ensure no cracking or rippling happened as a result of the Brim Trimming and Hole Punching. In addition, parts will be compared to before Brim Trimming and Hole Punching to ensure no change in dimensions. |
| Notes   | This is the final process in the Middle Bowl Manufacturing. The bowls will be sanded once more before product assembly.  |
| <b>Quaternary Manufacturing Process</b>       |  |
| Process                                       | Sanding  |
| Machine Tool                                  | Husky ¼ in. Angle Die Grinder  |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | 150 Grit Sandpaper   |
| Quality Control                               | Bottom protrusion should be now flat. Team members will manually assess each part after sanding.   |
| Notes   | Sand the bottom protrusion caused by the punch at the bottom of the bowl.  |
| <b>Quaternary Manufacturing Process</b>       |  |
| Process                                       | Tumbling   |
| Machine Tool                                  | Tumbler  |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | N/A  |
| Quality Control                               | Edges should be free of burrs and have a smooth finish to the touch. There should be a shined finish on the parts. Team members will manually assess each part after tumbling.   |
| Notes   | Only tumble 50 parts at once. Make sure to keep water level above the pump   |

| Responsible Team Member(s) | Name             | Date       |
|----------------------------|------------------|------------|
|                            | Anthony Mazzella | 10/11/2022 |
|                            | Nick Porter      | 10/11/2022 |

#### 4.4 End Bowl Manufacturing Sheet

| BOM #             | Isometric View   |
|-------------------|--|
| 3C                |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name |  |
| End Bowl          |  |
| Drawing Title     |  |
| EndBowl_3C        |  |

| Part Information                                 |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| Material Type                                    | ABS Plastic Pellets |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL    |
| Part Count Required                              | 300                 |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan |   |                          |                            |
|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Primary Manufacturing Process       |   |                          |                            |
| Process                             | Plastic Injection Molding   |                          |                            |
| Machine Tool                        | Arburg Allrounder 221K  |                          |                            |
| Tooling Needed                      | BOM #   | BOM/3D Model Name        | Drawing Title              |
|                                     | 100T  | PIM Mold Half Stationary | PIMMoldHalfStationary_100T |
|                                     | 100.1T  | PIM Mold Half Moving     | PIMMoldHalfMoving_100.1T   |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters | Melt Temp: 220°C<br>Mold Temp: 50°C<br>Screw Speed: 10-15 meters/min<br>Back Pressure: 60-90 Bar<br>Injection Pressure: 2.56 ksi<br>Pack/Hold Pressure: 500-1100 bar<br><br>0.25 inch ejector pins<br>Shrinkage Allowances: ABS shrink factor S = 0.006 inches/inch<br>Draft Angles: part designed with 2° draft angles on all hard corners.<br>Thickness: part designed with uniform 0.1" wall thicknesses.  |                          |                            |
| Quality Control                     | <p>The part should pass visual inspection upon assembly for any cracks or major defects that could affect water flow. Part should fit snugly within the pipe so that part does not move freely or fall off if turned upside down and under gravity forces. A part should be rejected if it does not meet criteria. The first molded part should go through a full inspection. Every 10 parts after should go through inspection for the fit between the pipe and bowl.</p> <p>Tolerancing for Bowl to Pipe Connection:<br/> Diameter: 0.500 ± 0.015</p> |                          |                            |

|  |  |
|--|--|
|  | Height: $0.150 \pm 0.01$<br>Critical tolerancing press fit. These dimensions will be measured with a caliper, must be able to withstand upward force of water. |
| <b>Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations</b> | Shot Size = Cavity Volume + Runner Volume = in <sup>3</sup><br>Cavity Volume: 0.5736 in <sup>3</sup>   |
| <b>Notes</b>   | Surface Finishing Requirements<br>1. Remove any flashing and sharp edges<br>2. Remove sprue, runners, and gate from the finished part                          |

| Responsible Team Member(s) | Name         | Date      |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------|
|                            | Daniel Myers | 10/4/2022 |
|                            | Nick Porter  | 10/4/2022 |

#### 4.4.1 End Bowl MoldFlow Simulations

Table 4.4.1 End Bowl MoldFlow Summary

|                  |         |
|------------------|---------|
| Cycle Time (s)   | 30.7095 |
| Time to Fill (s) | 0.7095  |

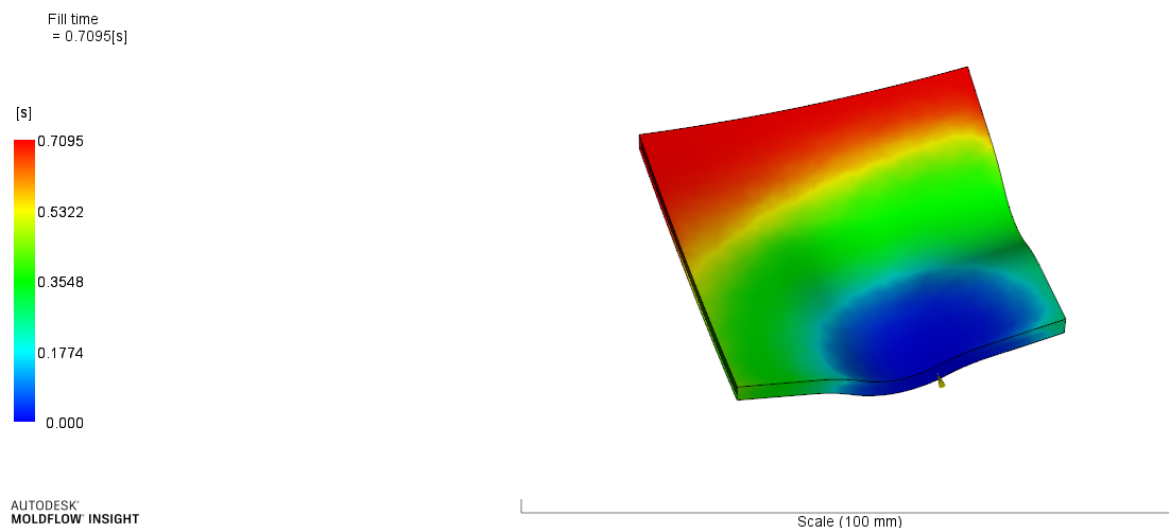
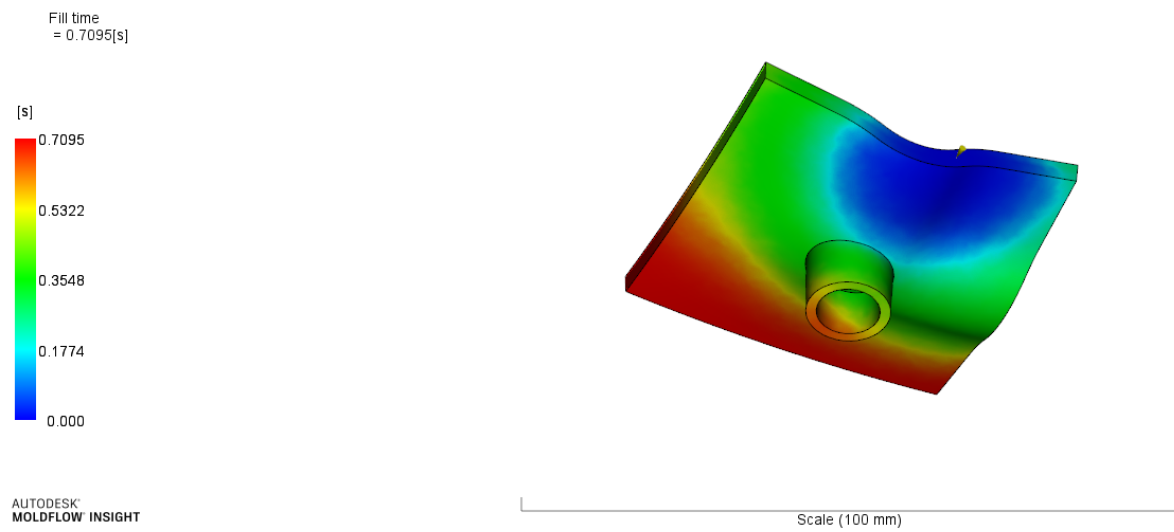
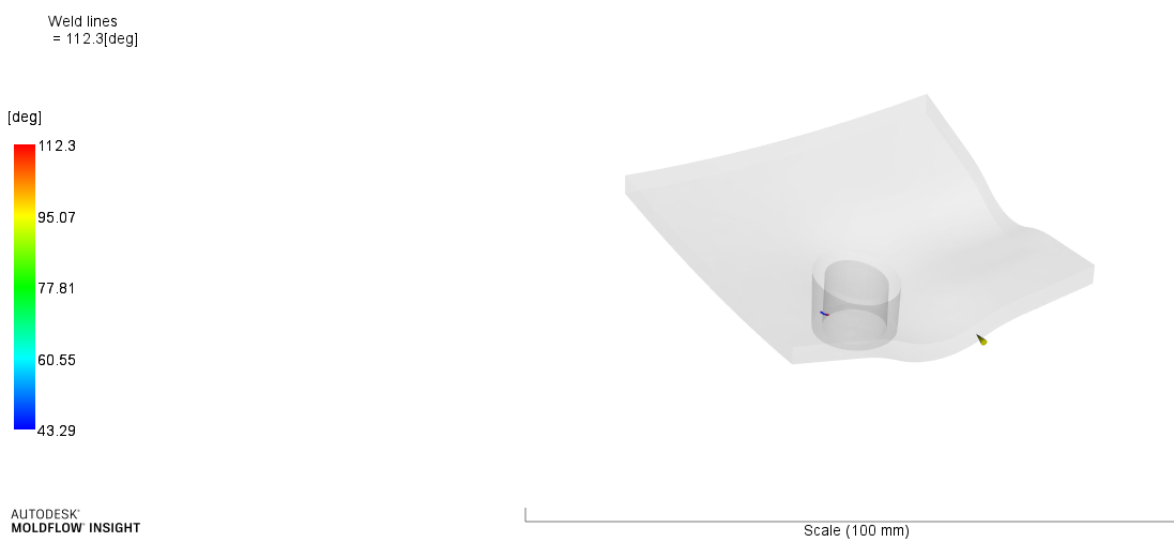


Figure 4.4.1 End Bowl Fill Time

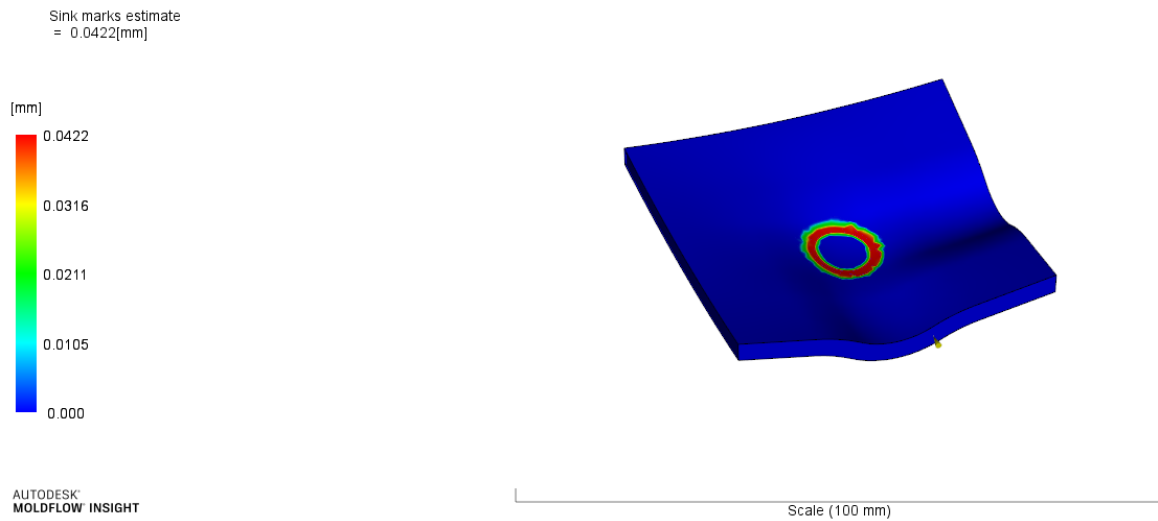




**Figure 4.4.2 End Bowl Fill Time**



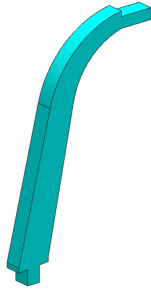
**Figure 4.4.3 End Bowl Weld Lines**



**Figure 4.4.4 End Bowl Sink Traps**

Similar to the simulations for the Top Bowl mold, Figures 4.4.1 and 4.4.2 show the fill time for the End Bowl, which is 0.7095 seconds. Potential defects are shown in Figures 4.4.3 and 4.4.4. In Figure 4.4.3, there is only one small point that could have a weld line, which will not be easily seen by the user. Figure 4.4.4 shows the sink marks, which are at the lowest point of the bowl where the most water will be pooled.

## 4.5 Bridge Manufacturing Sheet

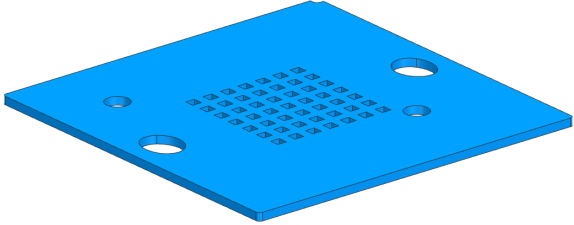
| BOM #             | Isometric View  |
|-------------------|---|
| 2C                |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name |   |
| Bridge            |   |
| Drawing Title     |   |
| Bridge_2C         |   |

| Part Information                                 |   |
|--|---|
| Material Type                                    | Clear Acrylic Plastic                         |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | 1/ 4" Acrylic Sheet supplied by McMaster Carr |
| Part Count Required                              | 300   |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan           |   |                   |               |
|---|---|-------------------|---------------|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                 |   |                   |               |
| Process                                       | Laser Cutting   |                   |               |
| Machine Tool                                  | Thunder Laser System  |                   |               |
| Tooling Needed                                | BOM #   | BOM/3D Model Name | Drawing Title |
|   | N/A   | N/A               | N/A           |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | Pass Count: 1<br>Speed (mm/s): 20<br>Power (Max): 80%   |                   |               |
| Quality Control                               | The part should pass visual inspection upon assembly for any cracks or major defects that could affect structural stability. The part should fit snugly through the middle bowl. A part should be rejected if it does not meet this criteria. The first part should go through a full inspection, as should every tenth part after.<br><br>Tolerancing for bowl connections:<br>Thickness $0.140 \pm 0.001$<br>Depth $0.2900 \pm 0.001$<br>Slot $0.510 \pm 0.001$ |                   |               |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations | N/A   |                   |               |
| Notes   | N/A   |                   |               |

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|                            | Nick Porter  | 10/4/2022 |

## 4.6 Grate Manufacturing Sheet


| BOM #             | Isometric View   |
|-------------------|--|
| 6C                |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name |  |
| Grate             |  |
| Drawing Title     |  |
| Grate_6C          |  |

| Part Information                                 |   |
|--|---|
| Material Type                                    | Clear Acrylic Plastic                         |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | 1/ 4" Acrylic Sheet supplied by McMaster Carr |
| Part Count Required                              | 300   |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan           |   |                   |               |
|---|---|-------------------|---------------|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                 |   |                   |               |
| Process                                       | Laser Cutting   |                   |               |
| Machine Tool                                  | Thunder Laser System  |                   |               |
| Tooling Needed                                | BOM #   | BOM/3D Model Name | Drawing Title |
|   | N/A   | N/A               | N/A           |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | Pass Count:1<br>Speed (mm/s): 40<br>Power (Max): 80%  |                   |               |
| Quality Control                               | Proper fitting of the grate and basin will determine quality control. Inspect flatness of part with a straightedge. Visual inspection for any defects along the edges of the part to ensure clean cuts. |                   |               |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations | N/A   |                   |               |
| Notes   | N/A   |                   |               |

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## 4.7 Pipes Manufacturing Sheet

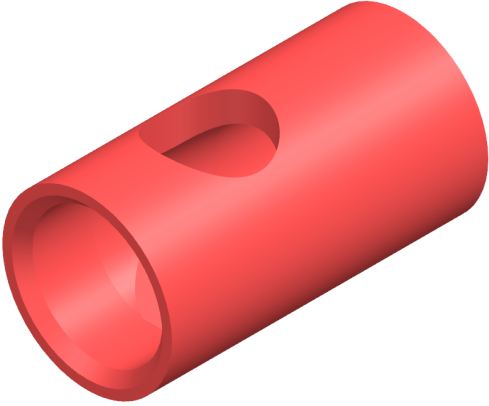
| BOM #                       | Isometric View  |
|-----------------------------|---|
| 8PC, 9PC                    |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name           |   |
| Tall Pipe, Short Pipe       |   |
| Drawing Title               |   |
| TallPipe_8PC, ShortPipe_9PC |   |

| Part Information                                 |  |
|--|--|
| Material Type                                    | Black Acrylic Tube                                     |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | 300 ft of tubing in 40x6ft sections from McMaster Carr |
| Part Count Required                              | 300x5.5", 300x3.9875"                                  |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan             |   |                   |               |
|---|---|-------------------|---------------|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                   |   |                   |               |
| Process   | Cutting   |                   |               |
| Machine Tool                                    | Jet Horizontal Bandsaw  |                   |               |
| Tooling Needed                                  | BOM #   | BOM/3D Model Name | Drawing Title |
|   | N/A   | N/A               | N/A           |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters             | Cutting speed of approx. 2,500 feet per minute<br>Feed at approx. 1 inch per minute |                   |               |
| Quality Control                                 | Inspect for cracks on each cut segment  |                   |               |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations   | N/A   |                   |               |
| Notes   | N/A   |                   |               |
| Secondary Manufacturing Process/Post-Processing |   |                   |               |
| Process   | Chamfering and Deburring Ends   |                   |               |
| Machine Tool                                    | Pipe hand chamfer tool, material scraper  |                   |               |
| Tooling Needed                                  | Name  | BOM #             | Drawing #     |
|   | N/A   | N/A               | N/A           |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters             | Scrape off excess material from ends before chamfering.                             |                   |               |
| Quality Control                                 | N/A   |                   |               |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations   | N/A   |                   |               |
| Notes   | N/A   |                   |               |

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## 4.8 Pump Connector Manufacturing Sheet

| BOM #             | Isometric View   |
|-------------------|--|
| 7C                |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name |  |
| Pump Connector    |  |
| Drawing Title     |  |
| PumpConnection_7C |  |

| Part Information                                 |                            |
|--|----------------------------|
| Material Type                                    | Black ABS Plastic Filament |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL           |
| Part Count Required                              | 300                        |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan             |   |                   |               |
|---|---|-------------------|---------------|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                   |   |                   |               |
| Process   | FDM 3D Printing   |                   |               |
| Machine Tool                                    | Stratasys F170  |                   |               |
| Tooling Needed                                  | BOM #   | BOM/3D Model Name | Drawing Title |
|   | N/A   | N/A               | N/A           |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters             | N/A   |                   |               |
| Quality Control                                 | Inspect for defects. Every 10th part, ensure that pipe and pump fit in their respective ends. |                   |               |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations   | N/A   |                   |               |
| Notes   | N/A   |                   |               |
| Secondary Manufacturing Process/Post-Processing |   |                   |               |
| Process   | Support Material Removal  |                   |               |
| Machine Tool                                    | Parts Cleaner   |                   |               |
| Tooling Needed                                  | Name  | BOM #             | Drawing #     |
|   | N/A   | N/A               | N/A           |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters             | 6 hrs in parts wash bin to dissolve support material  |                   |               |
| Quality Control                                 | N/A   |                   |               |

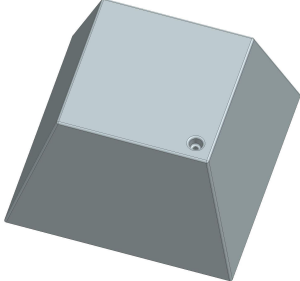
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| <b>Associated<br/>Manufacturing Process<br/>Calculations</b> | N/A |
| <b>Notes</b>   | N/A |

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## **Section 5: Manufacturing Tooling Manufacturing Sheets**



## 5.1 Basin Mold Manufacturing Tooling Sheet

| BOM #               | Isometric View   |
|---------------------|--|
| 300T                |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name   |  |
| Vacuum Forming Mold |  |
| Drawing Title       |  |
| BasinMold_300T      |  |

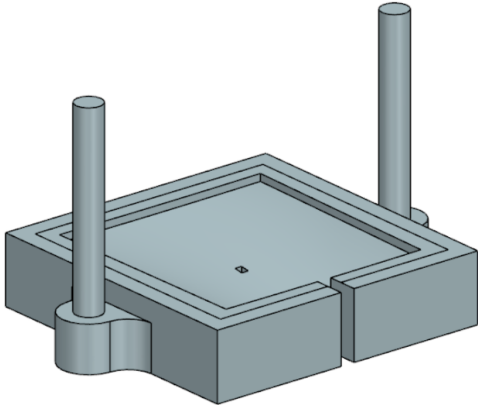
| Part Information                                 |                    |
|--|--------------------|
| Material Type                                    | MDF Wood and Epoxy |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL   |
| Part Count Required                              | 1                  |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan           |  |
|---|--|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                 |  |
| Process                                       | Milled, sanded, and clamped  |
| Machine Tool                                  | Bandsaw and Beltsander   |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | Refer to specifications and tolerances of drawing BasinMold_300T   |
| Quality Control                               | Make sure the mold has a clean finish such that nothing will puncture the ABS sheet during the vacuum forming process or leave unwanted lines/marks. |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations | N/A  |
| Notes   | N/A  |

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## 5.2 Middle Bowl Punch and Die

### 5.2.1 Middle Bowl Die Manufacturing Sheet

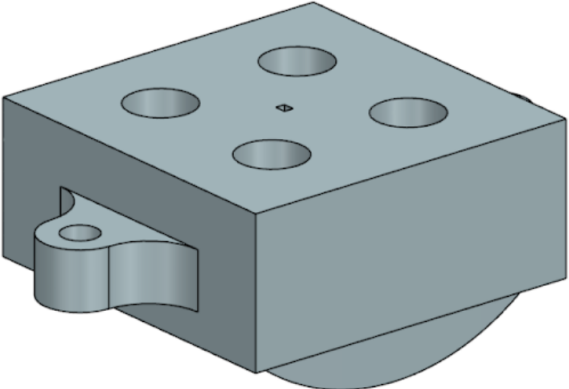
| BOM #                | Isometric View   |
|----------------------|--|
| 200.1T               |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name    |  |
| Middle Bowl Die      |  |
| Drawing Title        |  |
| MiddleBowlDie_200.1T |  |

| Part Information                                 |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Material Type                                    | ONYX Composite   |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL |
| Part Count Required                              | 1                |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan           |   |
|---|---|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                 |   |
| Process                                       | Composite 3D Printing   |
| Machine Tool                                  | MarkForged Printer  |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | N/A   |
| Quality Control                               | Parts must be inspected to ensure a clean surface finish. Parts should have critical dimensions measured with a caliper to ensure tolerancing is met. |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations | N/A   |
| Notes   | The die will be fitted to a die set used on the press.  |

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### 5.2.2 Middle Bowl Punch Manufacturing Sheet

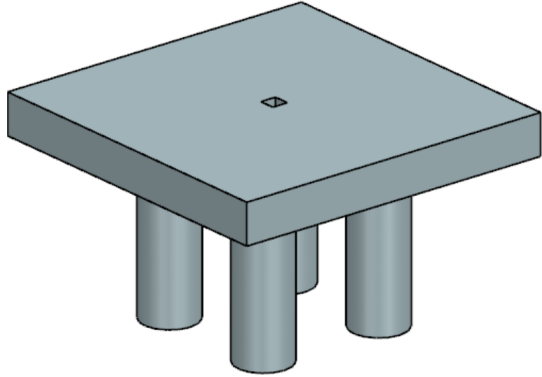
| BOM #                  | Isometric View   |
|------------------------|--|
| 200.2T                 |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name      |  |
| Middle Bowl Punch      |  |
| Drawing Title          |  |
| MiddleBowlPunch_200.2T | 70   |

| Part Information                                 |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Material Type                                    | ONYX Composite   |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL |
| Part Count Required                              | 1                |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan           |   |
|---|---|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                 |   |
| Process                                       | Composite 3D Printing   |
| Machine Tool                                  | Markforged Printer  |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | N/A   |
| Quality Control                               | Parts must be inspected to ensure a clean surface finish. Parts should have critical dimensions measured with a caliper to ensure tolerancing is met. |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations | N/A   |
| Notes   | This piece will float between springs to allow easy insertion and removal of blanks.  |

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### 5.2.3 Middle Bowl Punch and Die Guide Plate Manufacturing Sheet

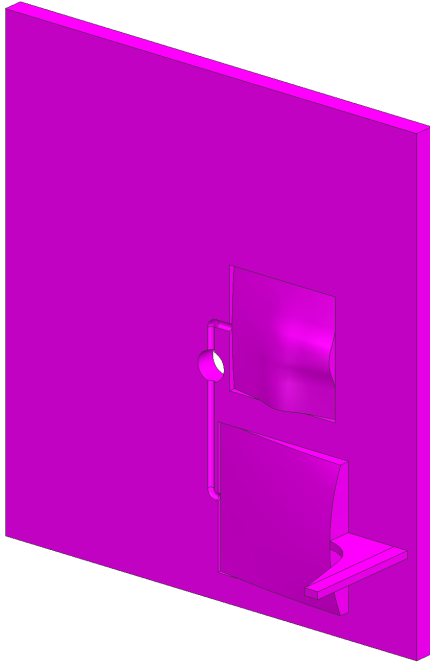
| BOM #                                  | Isometric View   |
|--|--|
| 200.3T                                 |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name                      |  |
| Middle Bowl Punch and Die Guide Plate  |  |
| Drawing Title                          |  |
| MiddleBowlPunchandDieGuidePlate_200.3T |  |

| Part Information                                 |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Material Type                                    | ABS Plastic      |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL |
| Part Count Required                              | 1                |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan           |   |
|---|---|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                 |   |
| Process                                       | FDM 3D Printing   |
| Machine Tool                                  | Stratasys F170  |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | N/A   |
| Quality Control                               | Parts must be inspected to ensure a clean surface finish. Parts should have critical dimensions measured with a caliper to ensure tolerancing is met. |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations |   |
| Notes   | Will be fitted to the top half of the die set to be used with the press.  |

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### 5.3 Injection Mold Manufacturing Sheet

| BOM #                      | Isometric View  |
|----------------------------|---|
| 100T                       |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name          |   |
| PIM Mold Half Stationary   |   |
| Drawing Title              |   |
| PIMMoldHalfStationary_100T |   |

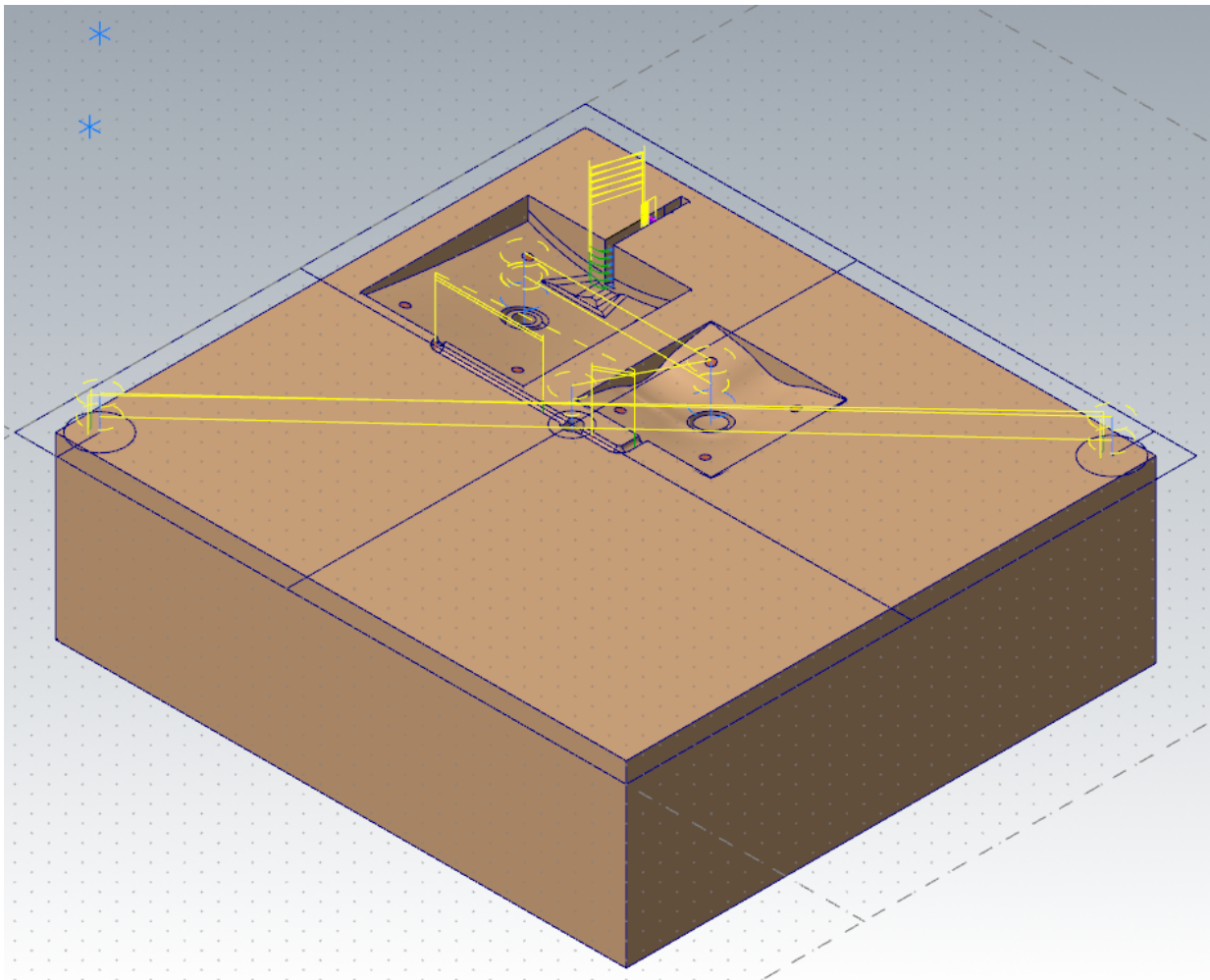
| Part Information                                 |                               |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Material Type                                    | Aluminum 6061 Block [3x9x9in] |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL              |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Primary Manufacturing Process       |   |
| Process                             | CNC Milling   |
| Machine Tool                        | Haas Mill   |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters | <p>Secure bridge into mold before closing and running the system to create the overmolded part.</p> <p>RPM = Spindle Speed<br/> CS = Cutting Speed in Surface Feet per Minute<br/> D = Cutter Diameter in Inches<br/> F = Feed Rate per Tooth in Inches<br/> <math>F_{pt}</math> = Feed per Tooth in Inches<br/> <math>N_t</math> = Number of teeth/Flutes on Cutter</p>  |
| Quality Control                     | <p>Inspect mold for any visible defects, cracks, and burrs. Critical dimensions to check are holes for pipes to insert. Use calipers and measure dimensions to make sure they are consistent with drawing sheet dimensions. Other critical dimensions are where the bridge will be inserted into the mold for overmolding. Bridge should fit securely in place. Check dimensions with drawing sheet for this section as well.</p> |

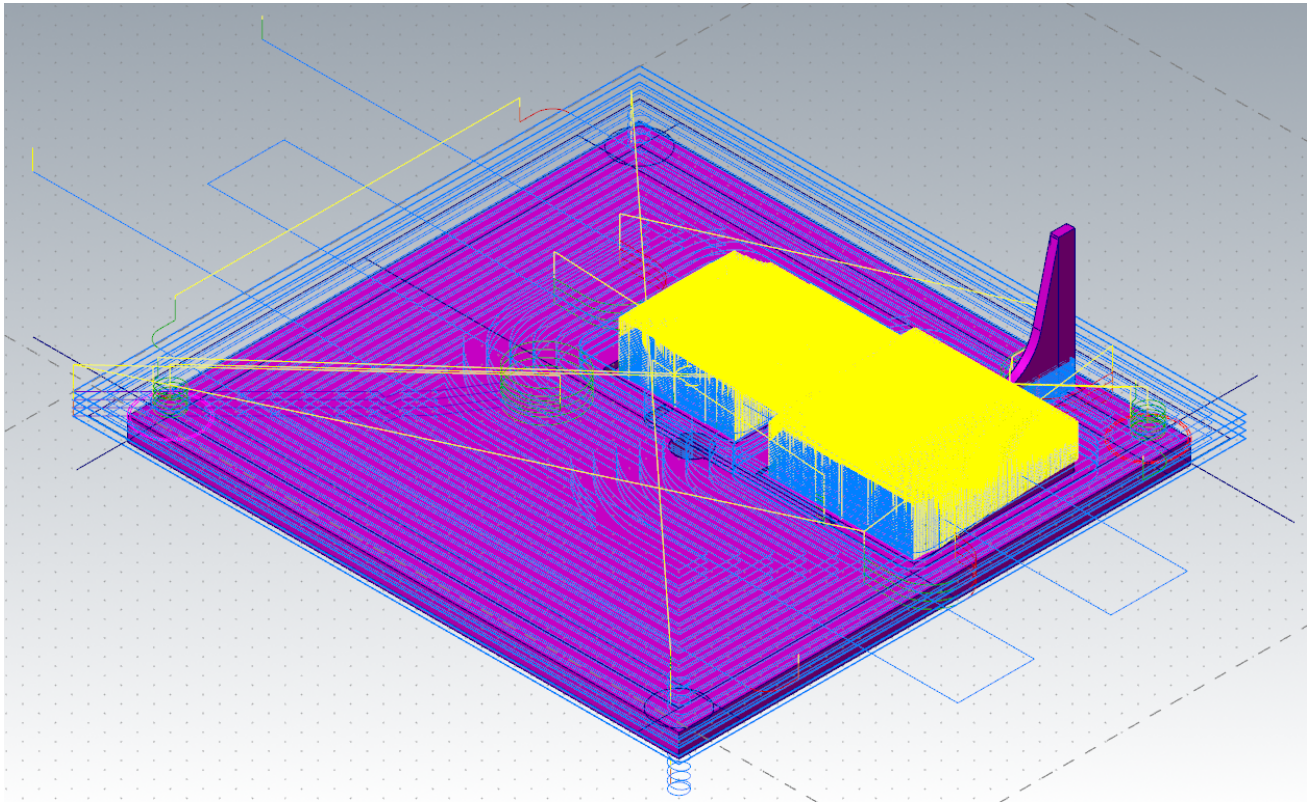
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| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations | $RPM = \frac{4(CS)}{D}$ |
|   | $F = F_{pt}(RPM)(N_t)$  |
| Notes   | N/A                     |

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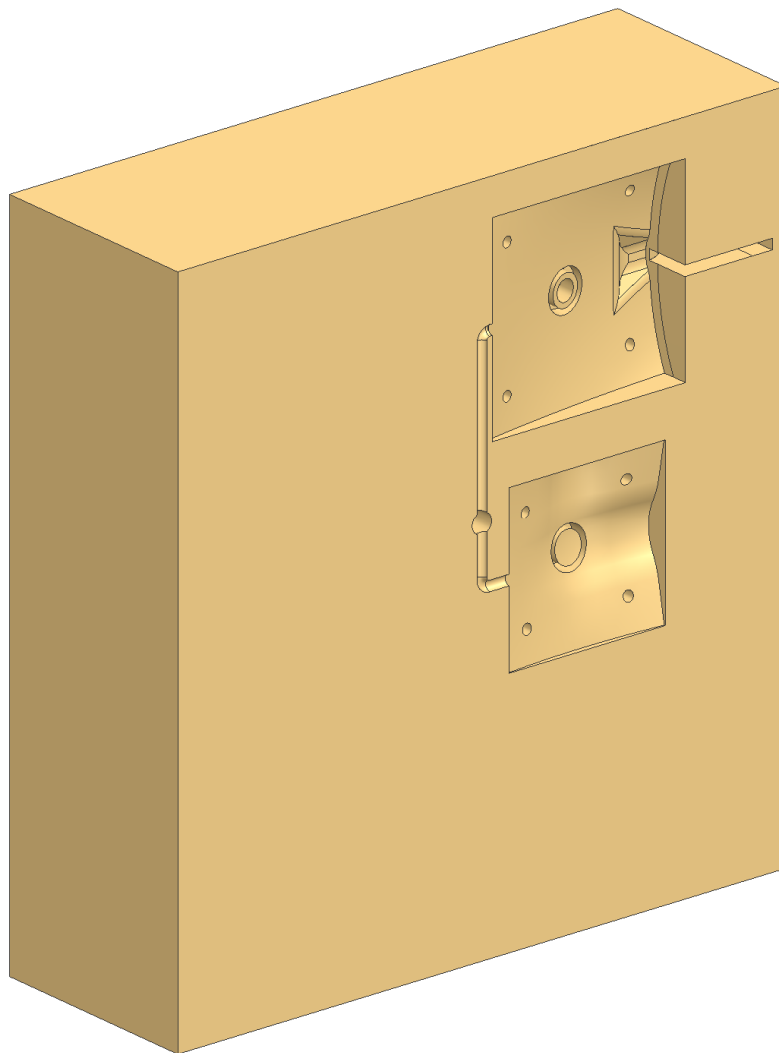
### 5.3.1 Injection Mold Tool Path



**Figure 5.3.1 Injection Mold Moving Half Tool Path**

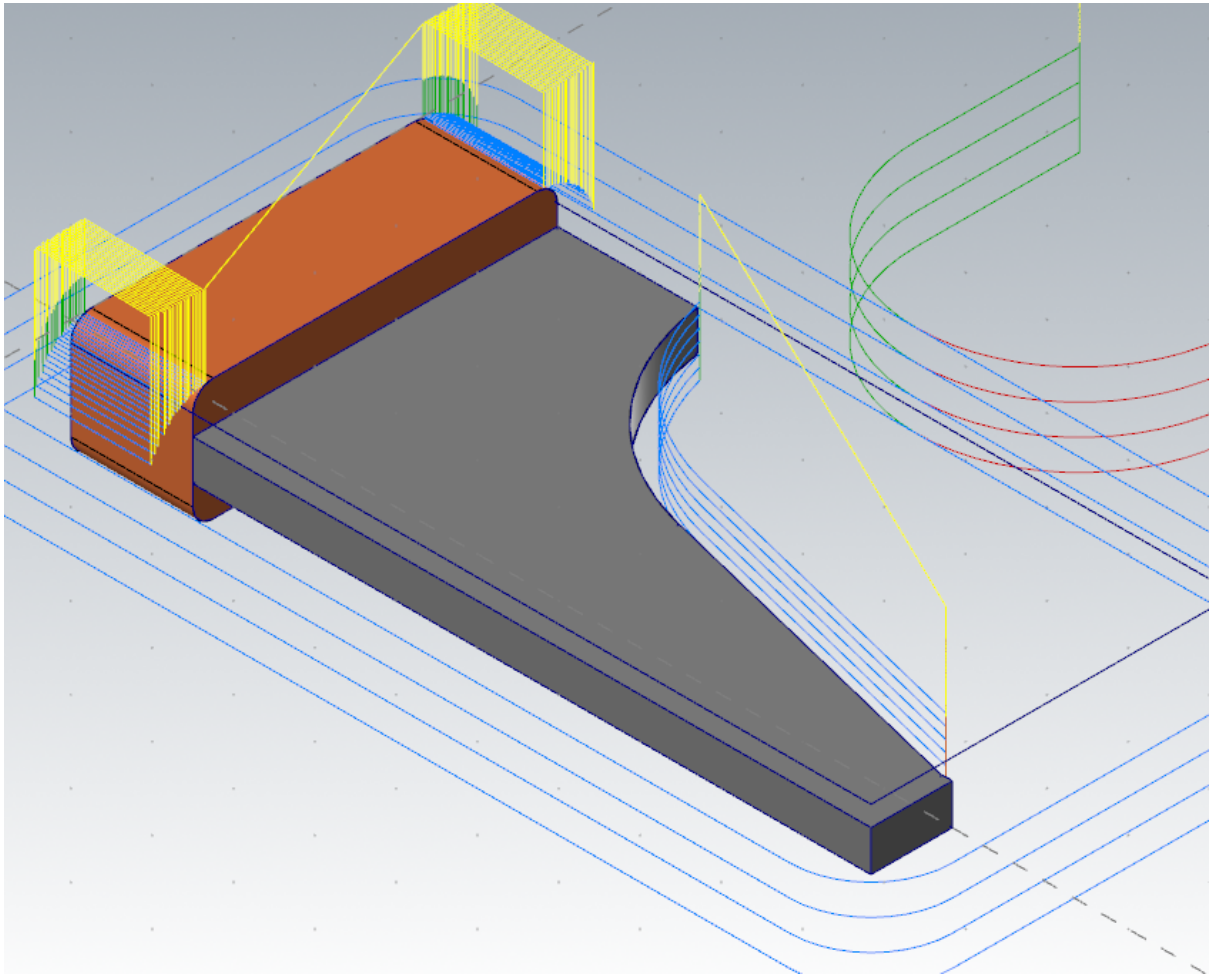


**Figure 5.3.2 Injection Mold Stationary Half Tool Path**



**Figure 5.3.3 Injection Mold Moving Half**



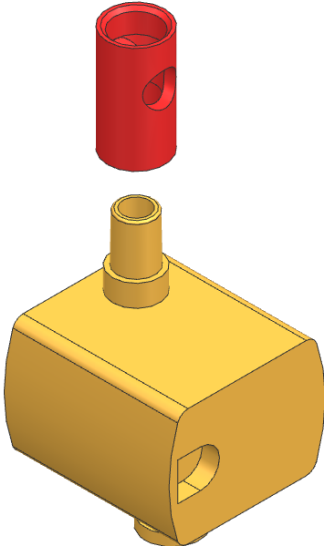


**Figure 5.3.4 Bridge Setting Tool**

Figures 5.3.1 and 5.3.2 show tool paths for machining the moving and stationary halves of the plastic injection mold, respectively. The finished renderings of the mold can be seen in Figure 5.3.3 and in the manufacturing sheet. Due to the complex geometries, the creation of the physical mold presented many challenges. One of these challenges was the long protrusion on the stationary half of the mold. This protrusion was meant to hold the bridge inside the mold. Due to its length, creating the stationary half as one piece would have wasted a lot of material. To counter this, the protrusion was created from a separate block and bolted onto the stationary half after machining. Another challenge was the creation of the slot meant to hold the bridge in the moving half. Machining this recess alone was challenging in itself due to its depth and the length of available tools. After the fact, because of the tight clearances, fitting in the acrylic bridge resulted in frequent breakages. To solve this issue, a tool which matched the geometry of the stationary half protrusion was made to properly seat the bridge inside the mold. The tool can be seen in Figure 5.3.4 and was able to greatly reduce breakages.

## **Section 6: Assembly Sheets**

## 6.1 Pump Assembly

| BOM #                       | Assembly or Subassembly Isometric View   |
|-----------------------------|--|
| 2A                          |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name           |  |
| Pump to Connection Assembly |  |
| Drawing Title               |  |
| Pump_2A                     |  |

| Proposed Assembly Process Plan |   |                        |                           |          |
|--------------------------------|---|------------------------|---------------------------|----------|
| Process                        | Vertical Press Fit  |                        |                           |          |
| Equipment                      | Custom Press Machine, Staubli Robot   |                        |                           |          |
| Parts/Subassemblies Needed     | BOM #   | BOM/3D Model Name      | Drawing Title             | Quantity |
|                                | 7C  | Pump Connector         | PumpConnection_7C         | 5        |
|                                | 10PC  | Pump                   | Pump_10PC                 | 5        |
| Tooling Needed                 | BOM #   | BOM/3D Model Name      | Drawing Title             |          |
|                                | N/A   | Vertical Press Machine | N/A                       |          |
|                                | N/A   | Staubli Robot          | N/A                       |          |
|                                | 2000.1F   | Connector Fixture      | ConnectorFixture_2000.1F  |          |
|                                | 2000.2FE  | Connector Feeder       | Connector_Feeder_2000.2FE |          |
|                                | 2000.4E   | Gripper                | Gripper_2000.4E           |          |
| Associated Assembly Parameters | Pumps are loaded onto connector fixture and connectors are loaded into connector feeder. The Staubli robot uses the custom effector to pick and place the connectors onto the pumps. The vertical press machine then joins the two components. After parts are pressed together, pump and pump connector should not have any deformation or cracking. Pump and pump connector should be fully pressed together. |                        |                           |          |
| Quality Control                | BEFORE ASSEMBLY: Plug in one in every 10 pumps to check that water passes through the pump properly and that there are no visual deformities or abnormal sounds from the pump.<br>AFTER ASSEMBLY: Visual inspection to check for cracking. Check if the connector is fully pressed onto the pump using dimensions from drawing Pump_2A_Press_Fit.   |                        |                           |          |

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <b>Associated Assembly Process Calculations</b> | Pump Connector inner diameter = $0.322 \pm 0.010$ in.<br>Pump outer diameter = $.405 \pm 0.010$ in.<br>Pump with Connector Pressed Distance: $2.115 \pm 0.2$ in. |
| <b>Notes</b>                                    | N/A  |

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**Assembly/Subassembly Workstation Overhead View**

|           |   |           |   |                  |   |                             |   |
|-----------|---|-----------|---|------------------|---|-----------------------------|---|
| 1         | 2 | 3         | 4 | 5                | 6 | 7                           | 8 |
| MODEL REV |   | SHEET REV |   | DESCRIPTION      |   | DATE(YEAR-MO-DA)   APPROVED |   |
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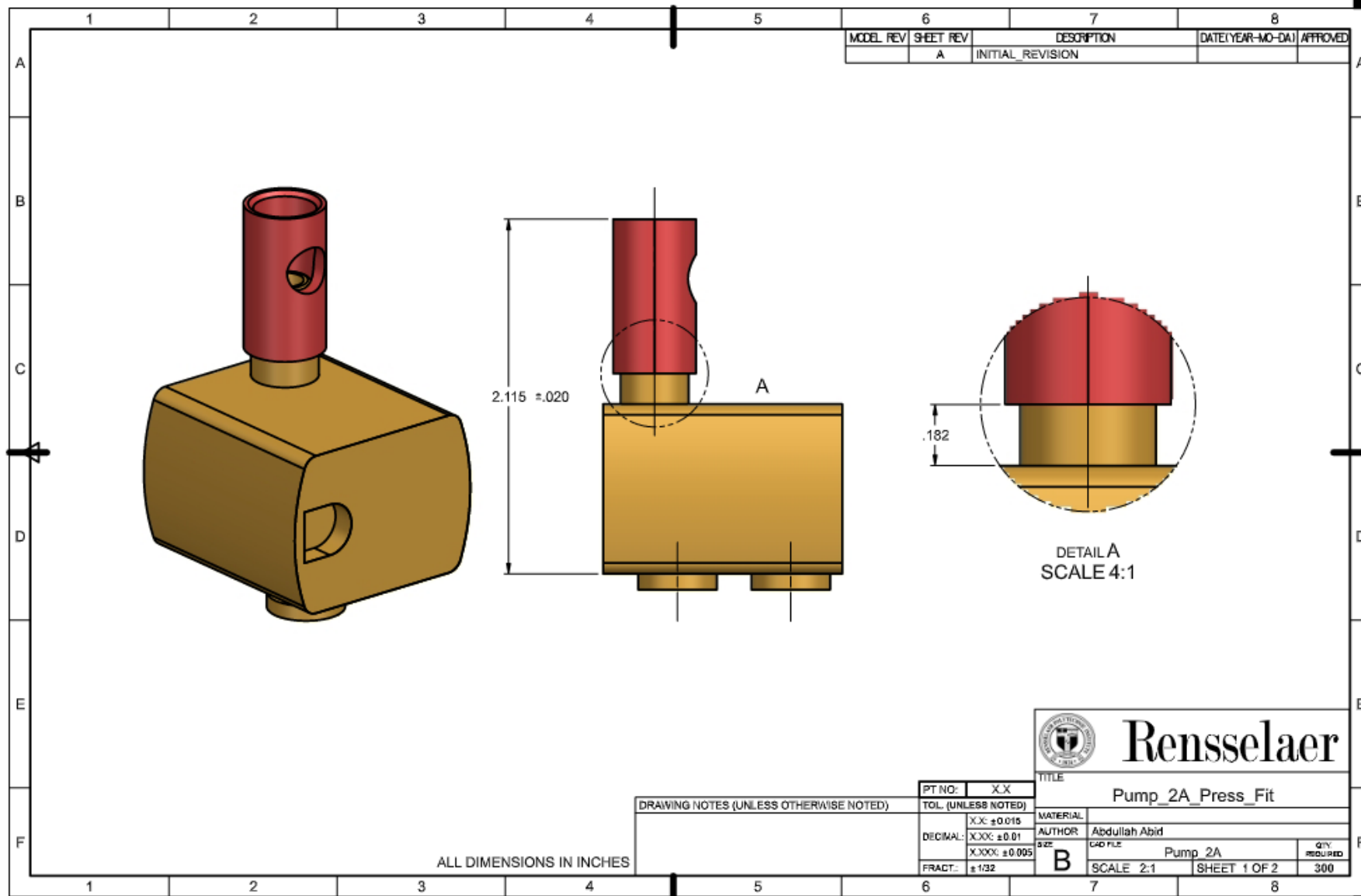
  

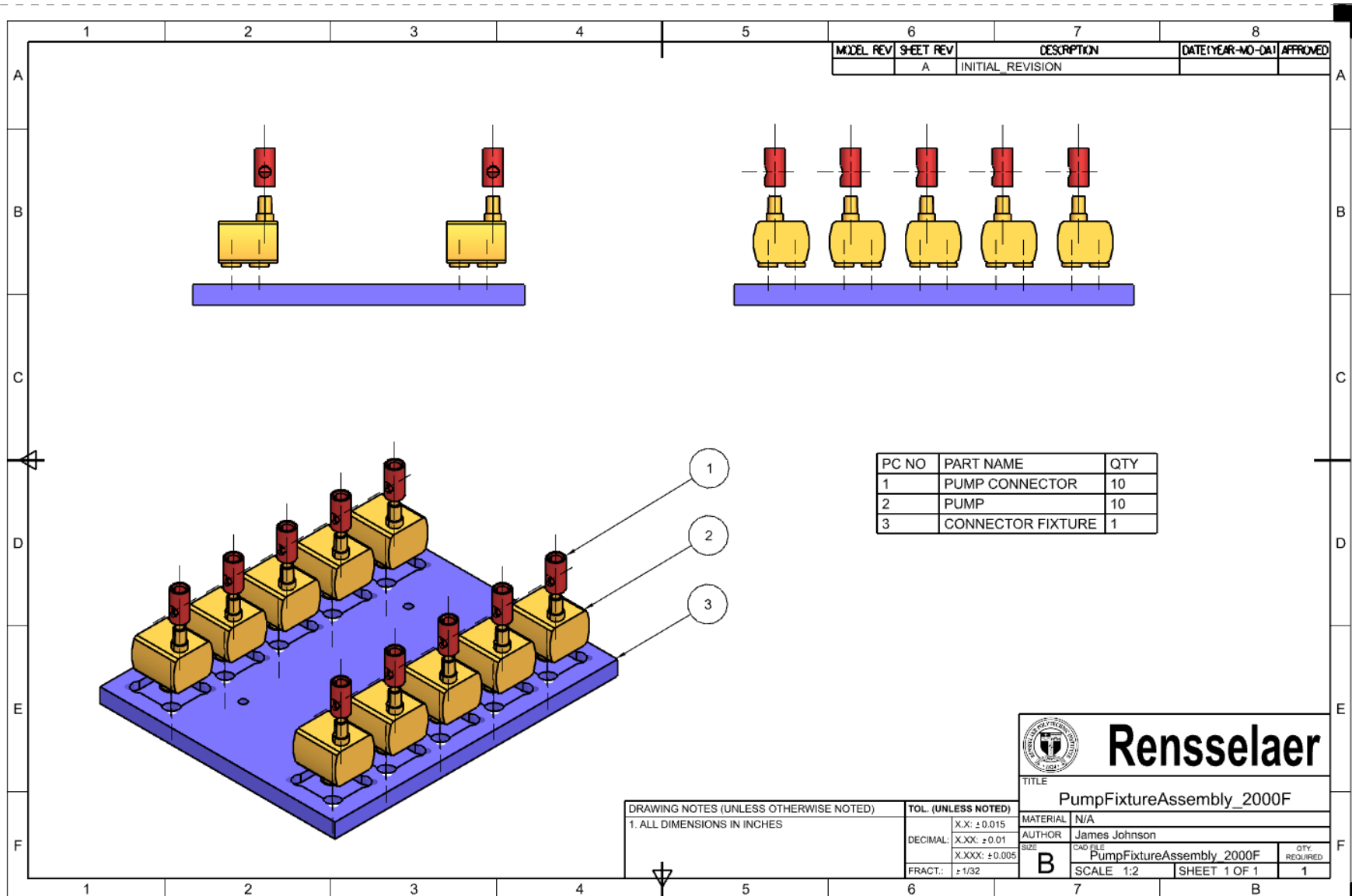
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|-------|---------------|-----|
| 1     | PUMPCONNECTOR | 1   |
| 2     | PUMP          | 1   |

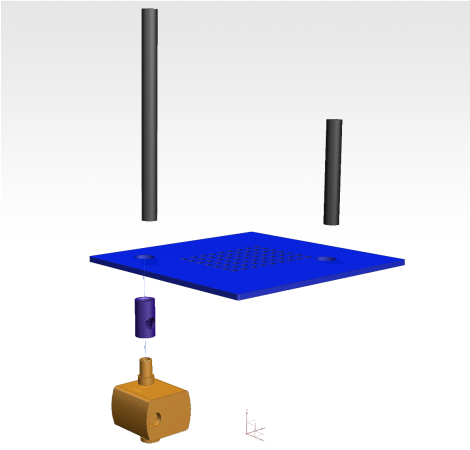
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| DECIMAL:            | X.X: ±0.015   | MATERIAL                                   |        |
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## 6.2 Horizontal Press Assembly

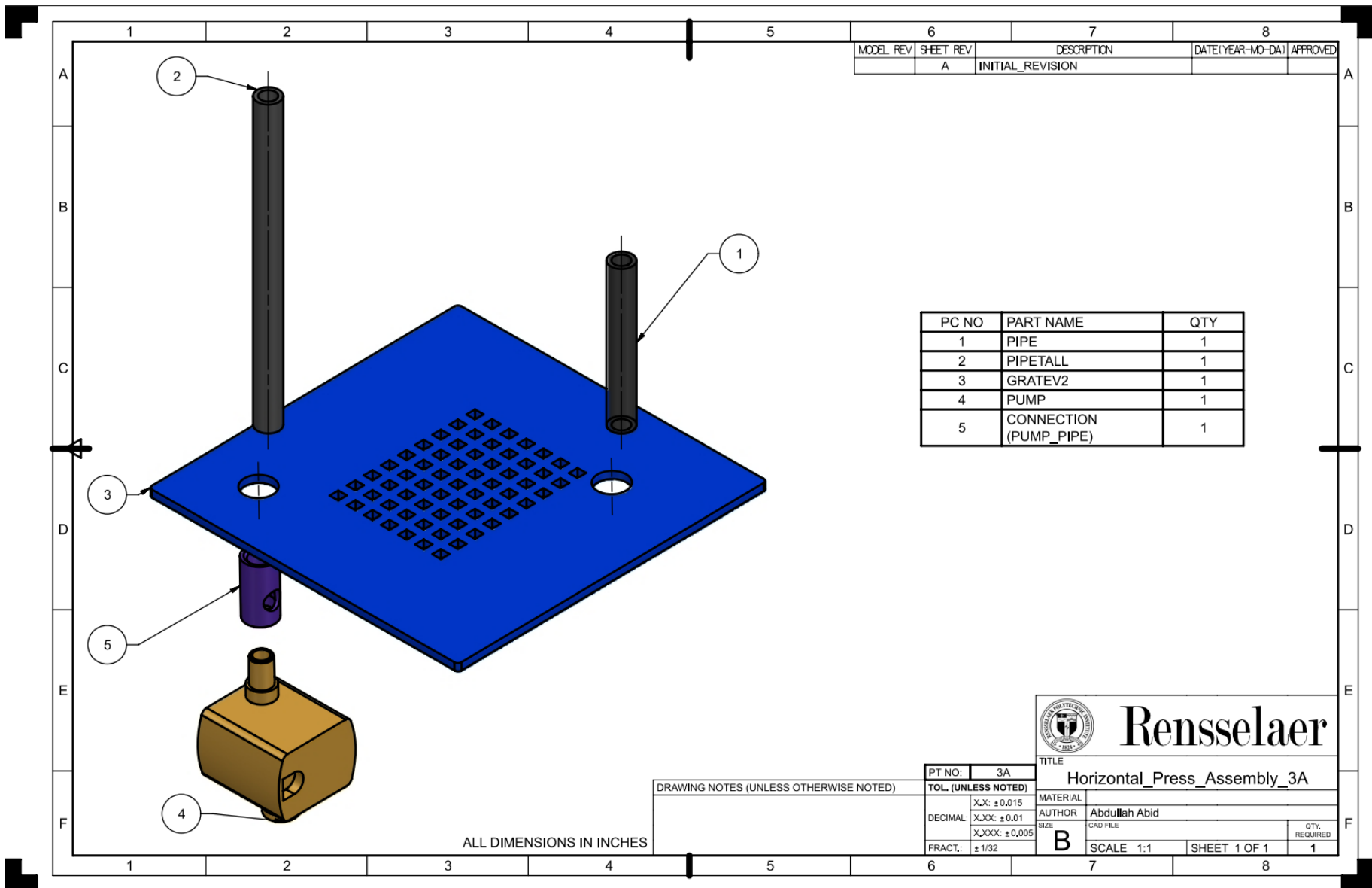
| BOM #                        | Assembly or Subassembly Isometric View   |
|------------------------------|--|
| 3A                           |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name            |  |
| Horizontal Press Assembly    |  |
| Drawing Title                |  |
| Horizontal_Press_Assembly_3A |  |

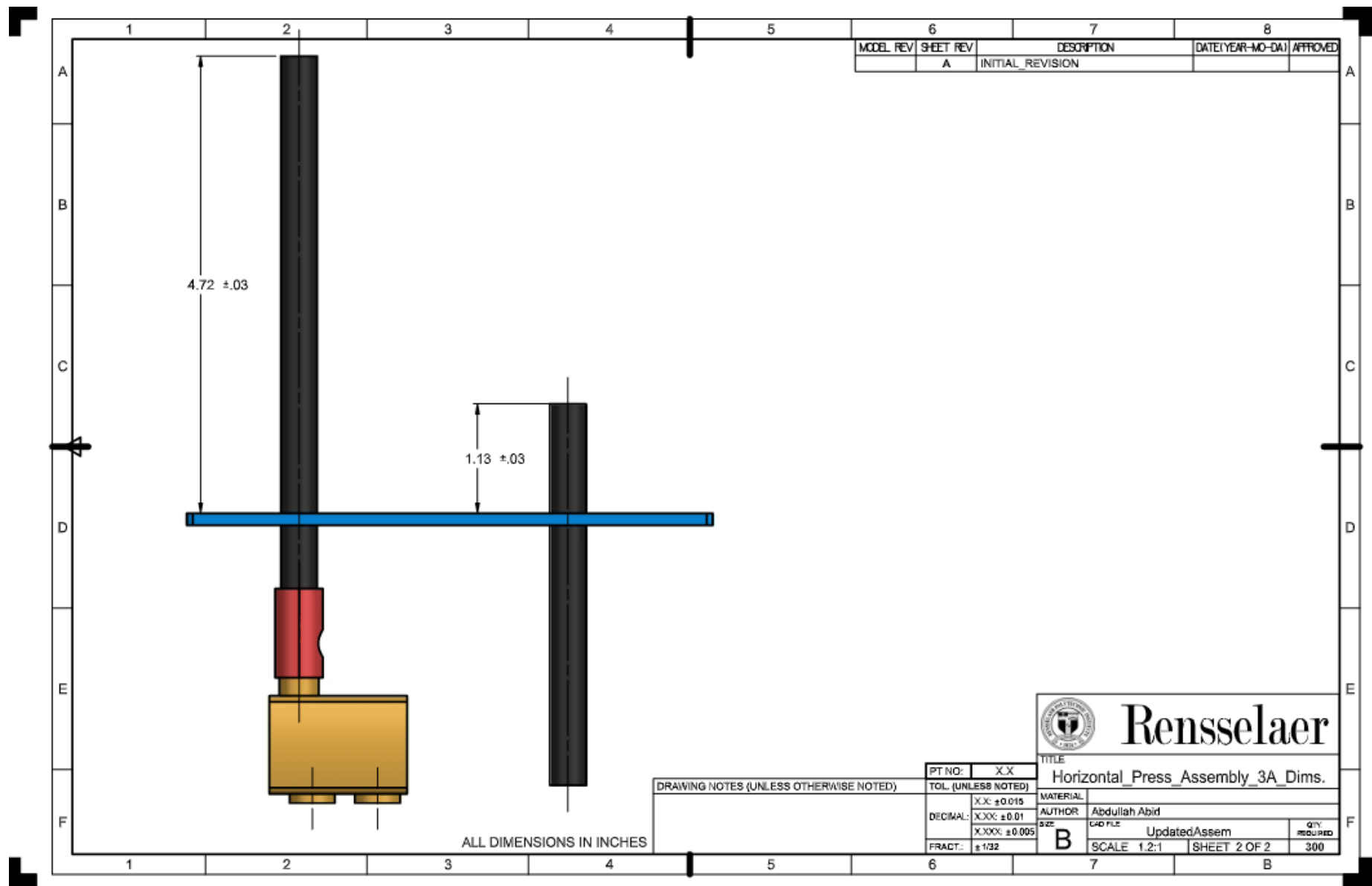
| Proposed Assembly Process Plan           |  |                             |                                |          |
|--|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------|
| Process                                  | Tight Slide Fit  |                             |                                |          |
| Equipment                                | Custom Press Machine   |                             |                                |          |
| Parts/Subassemblies Needed               | BOM #  | BOM/3D Model Name           | Drawing Title                  | Quantity |
|  | 2A   | Pump to Connection Assembly | Pump_2A                        | 1        |
|  | 6C   | Grate                       | Grate_6C                       | 1        |
|  | 8PC  | Tall Pipe                   | TallPipe_8PC                   | 1        |
|  | 9PC  | Short Pipe                  | ShortPipe_9PC                  | 1        |
| Tooling Needed                           | BOM #  | BOM/3D Model Name           | Drawing Title                  |          |
|  | 3000F  | Horizontal Press Fixture    | Horizontal_Press_Fixture_3000F |          |
| Associated Assembly Parameters           | Pipes, grate and assembly 2A are loaded into a custom press machine. Check to make sure the correct pipes are loaded onto poles and grate is in the correct orientation. After parts are pressed together, pipes should be fully pressed through the grate with no cracking. Pipes should be perpendicular to grate. |                             |                                |          |
| Quality Control                          | Visual inspection for cracking. Visually check if pump connector, pump, and pipe are fully pressed together. Check if pipes are fully pressed through grate using dimensions from Horizontal_Press_Assembly_3A   |                             |                                |          |
| Associated Assembly Process Calculations | N/A  |                             |                                |          |
| Notes                                    | N/A  |                             |                                |          |

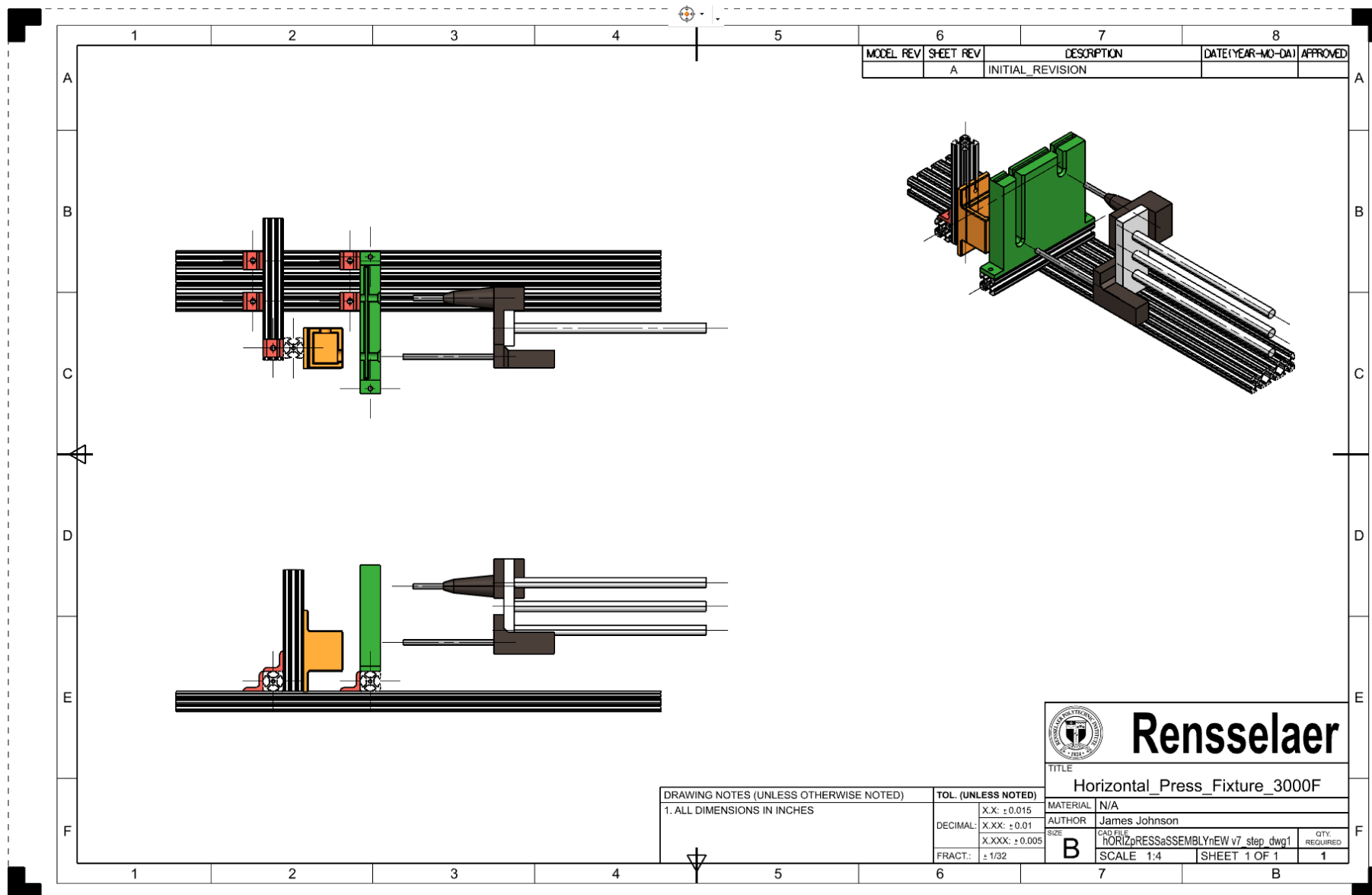
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|                          | James Johnson | 12/10/2022 |

### Assembly/Subassembly Workstation Overhead View

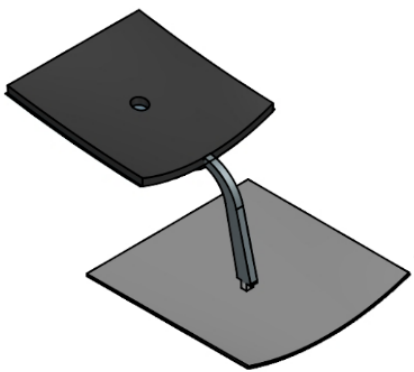








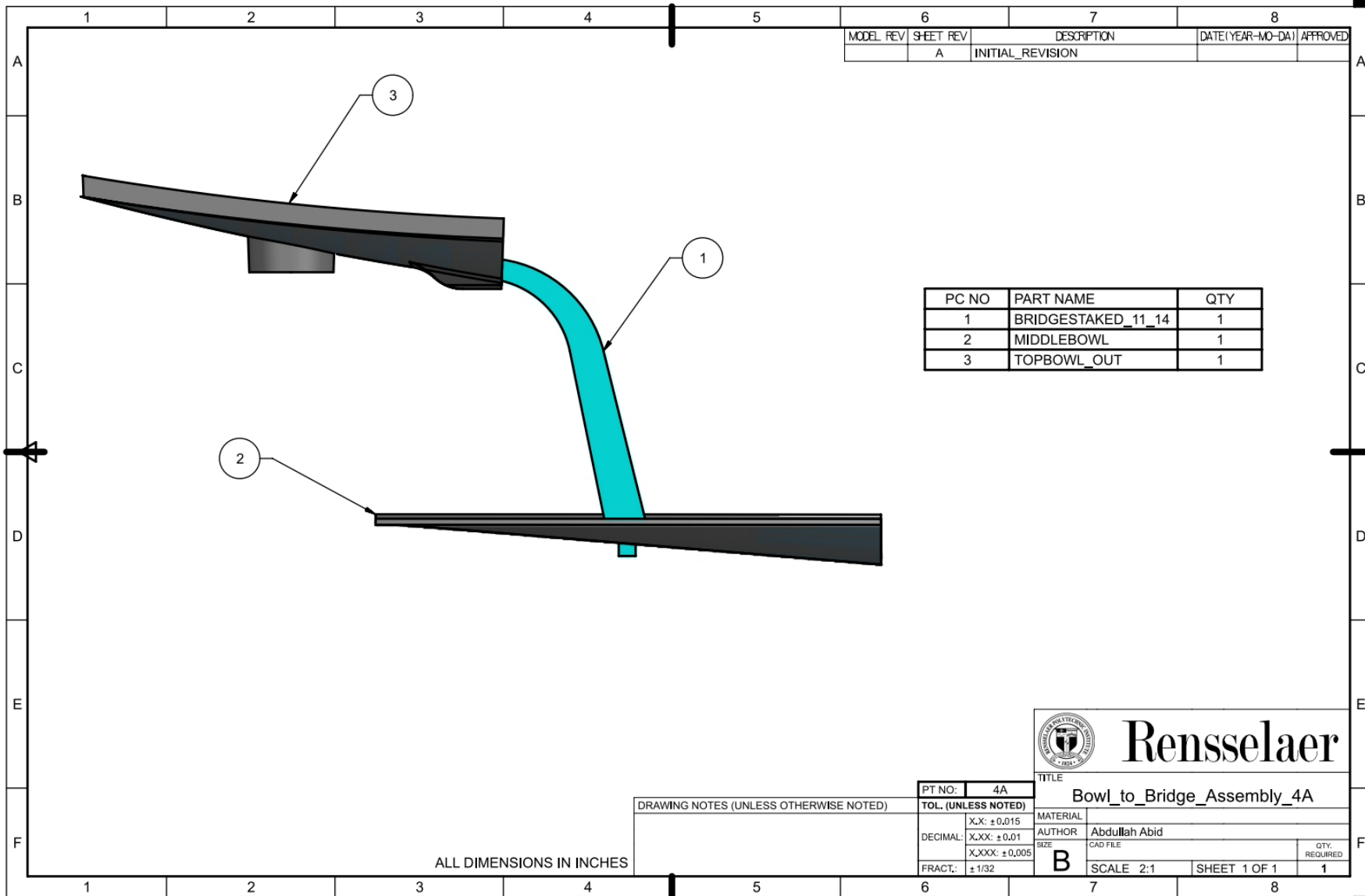
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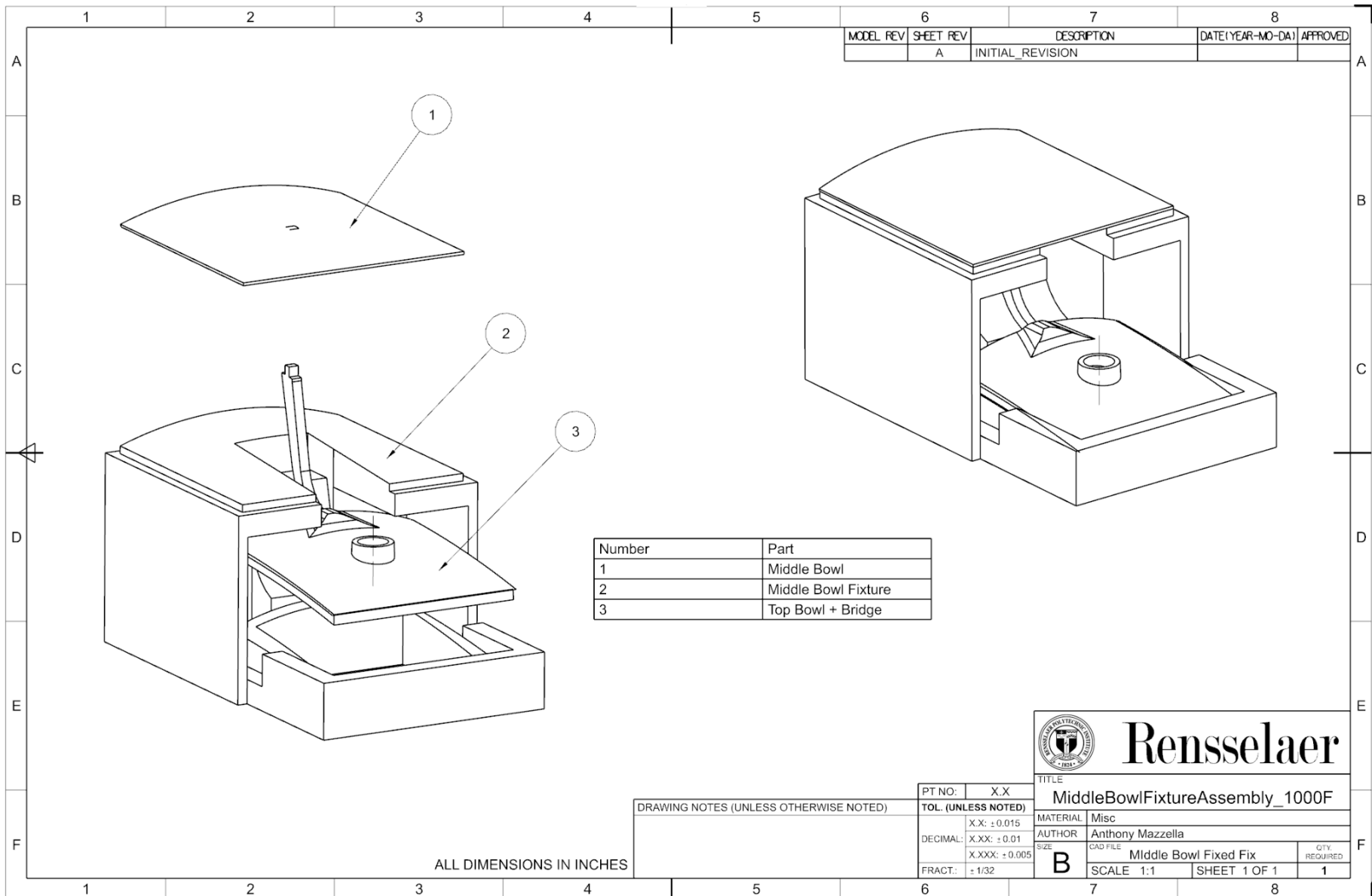
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| 4A                         |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name          |  |
| Bowl to Bridge Assembly    |  |
| Drawing Title              |  |
| Bowl_to_Bridge_Assembly_4A |  |

| Proposed Assembly Process Plan           |  |                      |                                 |          |
|--|--|----------------------|---------------------------------|----------|
| Process                                  | Heat staking   |                      |                                 |          |
| Equipment                                | Heat Staking Machine, Custom Heat Staking Fixture  |                      |                                 |          |
| Parts/Subassemblies Needed               | BOM #  | BOM/3D Model Name    | Drawing Title                   | Quantity |
|  | 5C   | Top Bowl             | TopBowl_5C                      | 1        |
|  | 2C   | Bridge               | Bridge_2C                       | 1        |
|  | 4C   | Middle Bowl          | MiddleBowl_4C                   | 1        |
| Tooling Needed                           | BOM #  | BOM/3D Model Name    | Drawing Title                   |          |
|  | N/A  | Heat Staking Machine | N/A                             |          |
|  | 1000F  | Middle Bowl Fixture  | MiddleBowlFixtureAssembly_1000F |          |
| Associated Assembly Parameters           | <p>Bolt fixture to heat staking machine. Place combined top bowl and bridge into fixture. Place middle bowl on top of fixture, over the bridge. Use machine to touch heated pin to the tab on the bridge, melting it over.</p> <p>Remove parts from machine.</p> <p>After heat staking, bridge and middle bowl should be firmly connected without any wobbling. There should be no deformation or cracking in either part.</p> |                      |                                 |          |
| Quality Control                          | Visually inspect part for defects after heat staking.  |                      |                                 |          |
| Associated Assembly Process Calculations | N/A  |                      |                                 |          |
| Notes                                    | N/A  |                      |                                 |          |

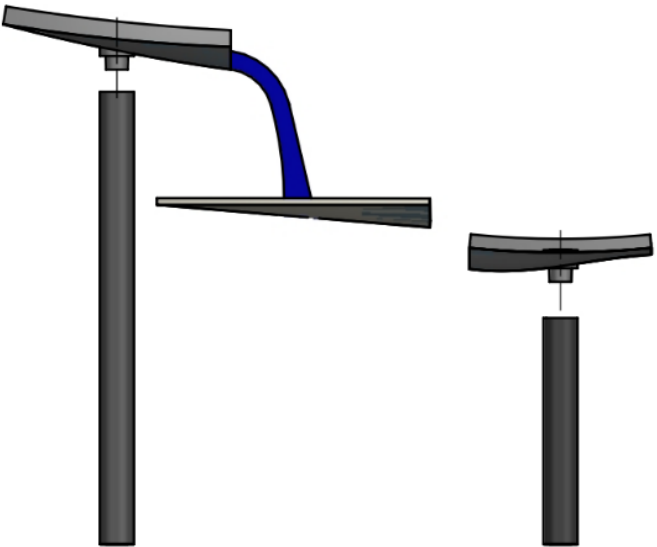
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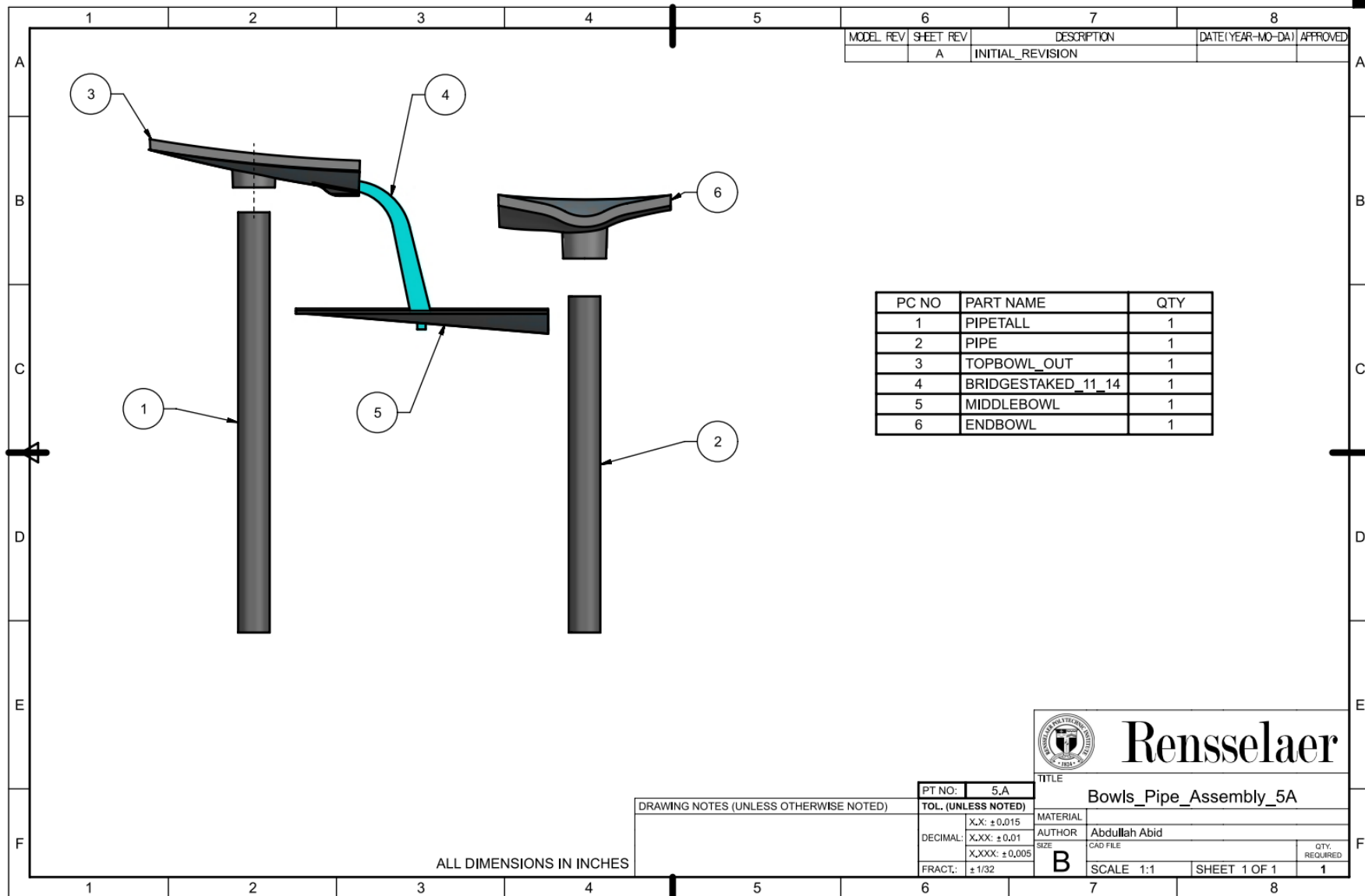
## 6.4 Bowls to Pipe Assembly

| BOM #                  | Assembly or Subassembly Isometric View   |
|------------------------|--|
| 5A                     |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name      |  |
| Bowls to Pipe Assembly |  |
| Drawing Title          |  |
| Bowls_Pipe_Assembly_5A |  |

| Proposed Assembly Process Plan           |  |                           |                              |          |
|--|--|---------------------------|------------------------------|----------|
| Process                                  | Press Fit  |                           |                              |          |
| Equipment                                | Manual   |                           |                              |          |
| Parts Needed                             | BOM #  | BOM/3D Model Name         | Drawing Title                | Quantity |
|  | 3C   | End Bowl                  | EndBowl_3C                   | 1        |
|  | 4A   | Bowl to Bridge Assembly   | BowltoBridgeAssembly_4A      | 1        |
|  | 3A   | Horizontal Press Assembly | Horizontal_Press_Assembly_3A | 1        |
| Tooling Needed                           | BOM #  | BOM/3D Model Name         | Drawing Title                |          |
|  | N/A  | N/A                       | N/A                          |          |
| Associated Assembly Parameters           | Press fit should be tight, with minimal movement         |                           |                              |          |
| Quality Control                          | Assembler pull test and inspection for a flush press fit |                           |                              |          |
| Associated Assembly Process Calculations | Bowl Inner Diameter is 0.375 ± 0.005                     |                           |                              |          |
|  | Pipe Outer Diameter is 0.375 ± 0.005                     |                           |                              |          |
| Notes                                    | N/A  |                           |                              |          |

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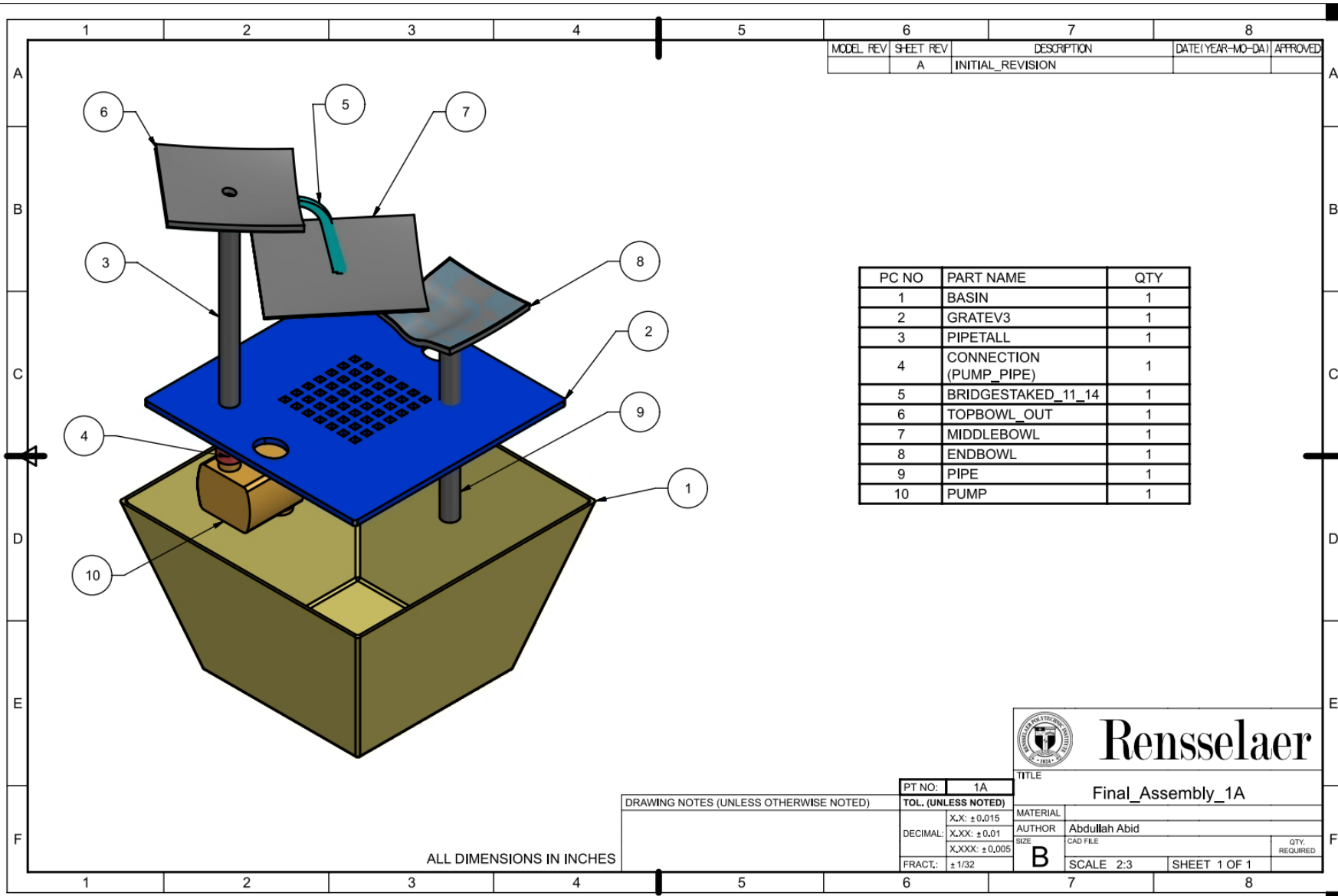


## 6.5 Final Assembly

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| <b>BOM #</b>                   | <b>Assembly or Subassembly Isometric View</b> |
| 1A                             |   |
| <b>BOM/3D Model Name</b>       |   |
| Full Fountain Assembly Labeled |   |
| <b>Drawing Title</b>           |   |
| Final_Assembly_1A              |   |

| Proposed Assembly Process Plan           |   |                        |                        |          |
|--|---|------------------------|------------------------|----------|
| Process                                  | Press-Fit Assembly of Grate System to Basin   |                        |                        |          |
| Equipment                                | Manual  |                        |                        |          |
| Parts/Subassemblies Needed               | BOM #   | BOM/3D Model Name      | Drawing Title          | Quantity |
|  | 1C  | Basin                  | Basin_1C               | 1        |
|  | 5A  | Bowls to Pipe Assembly | Bowls_Pipe_Assembly_5A | 1        |
|  | 2PD   | Plastic Rock Bag       | Rock_Bag               | 1        |
| Tooling Needed                           | BOM #   | BOM/3D Model Name      | Drawing Title          |          |
|  | N/A   | N/A                    | N/A                    |          |
| Associated Assembly Parameters           | <p>The rocks are placed in the basin. Assembly 5A is then placed into a basin around rocks by hand.</p> <p>Grate and bowls should appear level and feel stable.</p> |                        |                        |          |
| Quality Control                          | Visual inspection of assembly to make sure parts appear level and properly seated in the basin. Light hand force will confirm stability of the assembly.            |                        |                        |          |
| Associated Assembly Process Calculations | N/A   |                        |                        |          |
| Notes                                    | N/A   |                        |                        |          |

|                          |               |          |
|--------------------------|---------------|----------|
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|-------|------------------------|-----|
| 1     | BASIN                  | 1   |
| 2     | GRATEV3                | 1   |
| 3     | PIPETALL               | 1   |
| 4     | CONNECTION (PUMP_PIPE) | 1   |
| 5     | BRIDGESTAKED_11_14     | 1   |
| 6     | TOPBOWL_OUT            | 1   |
| 7     | MIDDLEBOWL             | 1   |
| 8     | ENDBOWL                | 1   |
| 9     | PIPE                   | 1   |
| 10    | PUMP                   | 1   |

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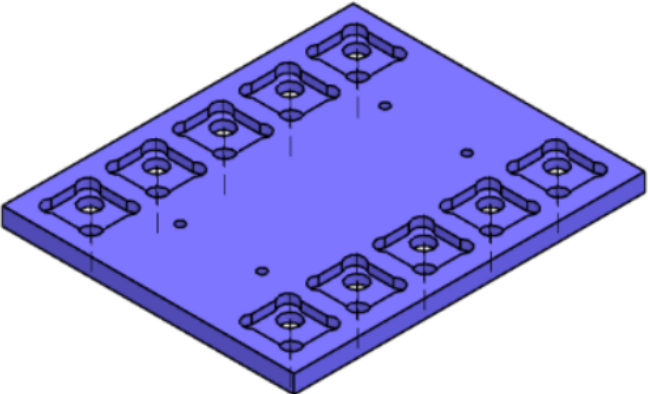
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## **Section 7: Assembly Tooling Manufacturing Sheets**

## 7.1 Pump to Connection Assembly Fixture Manufacturing Sheets

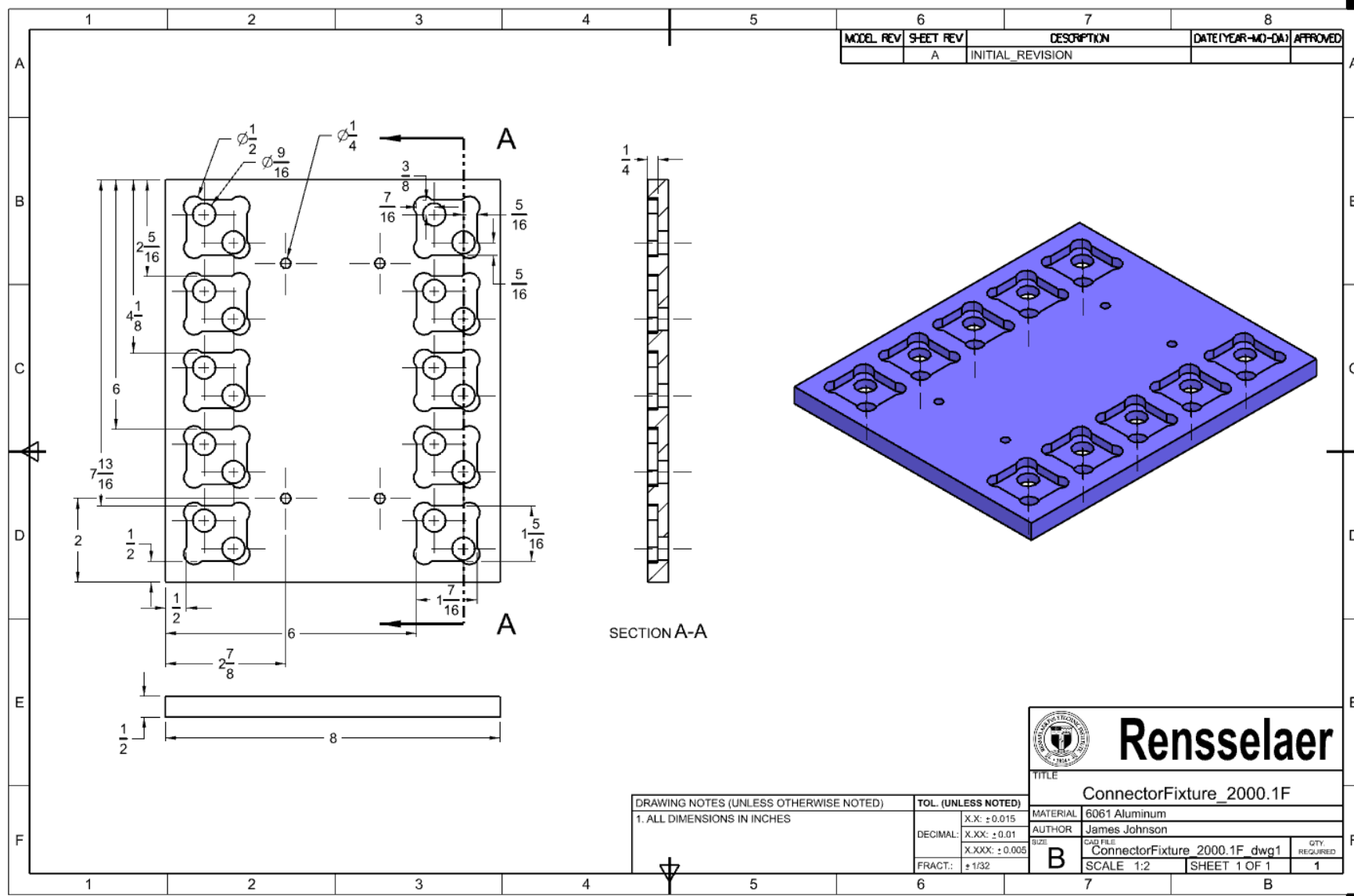
### 7.1.1 Connector Fixture Tooling Manufacturing Sheet

| BOM #                    | Isometric View   |
|--------------------------|--|
| 2000.1F                  |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name        |  |
| Connector Fixture        |  |
| Drawing Title            |  |
| ConnectorFixture_2000.1F |  |

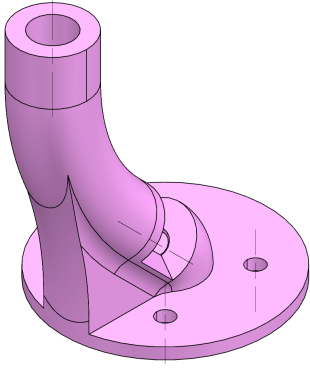
| Part Information                                 |                  |
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| Material Type                                    | 6061 Aluminum    |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan           |  |
|---|--|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                 |  |
| Process                                       | CNC Milling  |
| Machine Tool                                  | Haas Mill  |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | <p>RPM = Spindle Speed</p> <p>CS = Cutting Speed in Surface Feet per Minute</p> <p>D = Cutter Diameter in Inches</p> <p>F = Feed Rate per Tooth in Inches</p> <p><math>F_{pt}</math> = Feed per Tooth in Inches</p> <p><math>N_t</math> = Number of teeth/Flutes on Cutter</p> |
| Quality Control                               | <p>Part must be inspected to ensure a clean surface finish. Part should have critical dimensions measured with a caliper to ensure tolerancing is met.</p> <p>Test by inserting the pump for secure fit.</p>   |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations | $RPM = \frac{4(CS)}{D}$ $F = F_{pt}(RPM)(N_t)$   |
| Notes   | N/A  |

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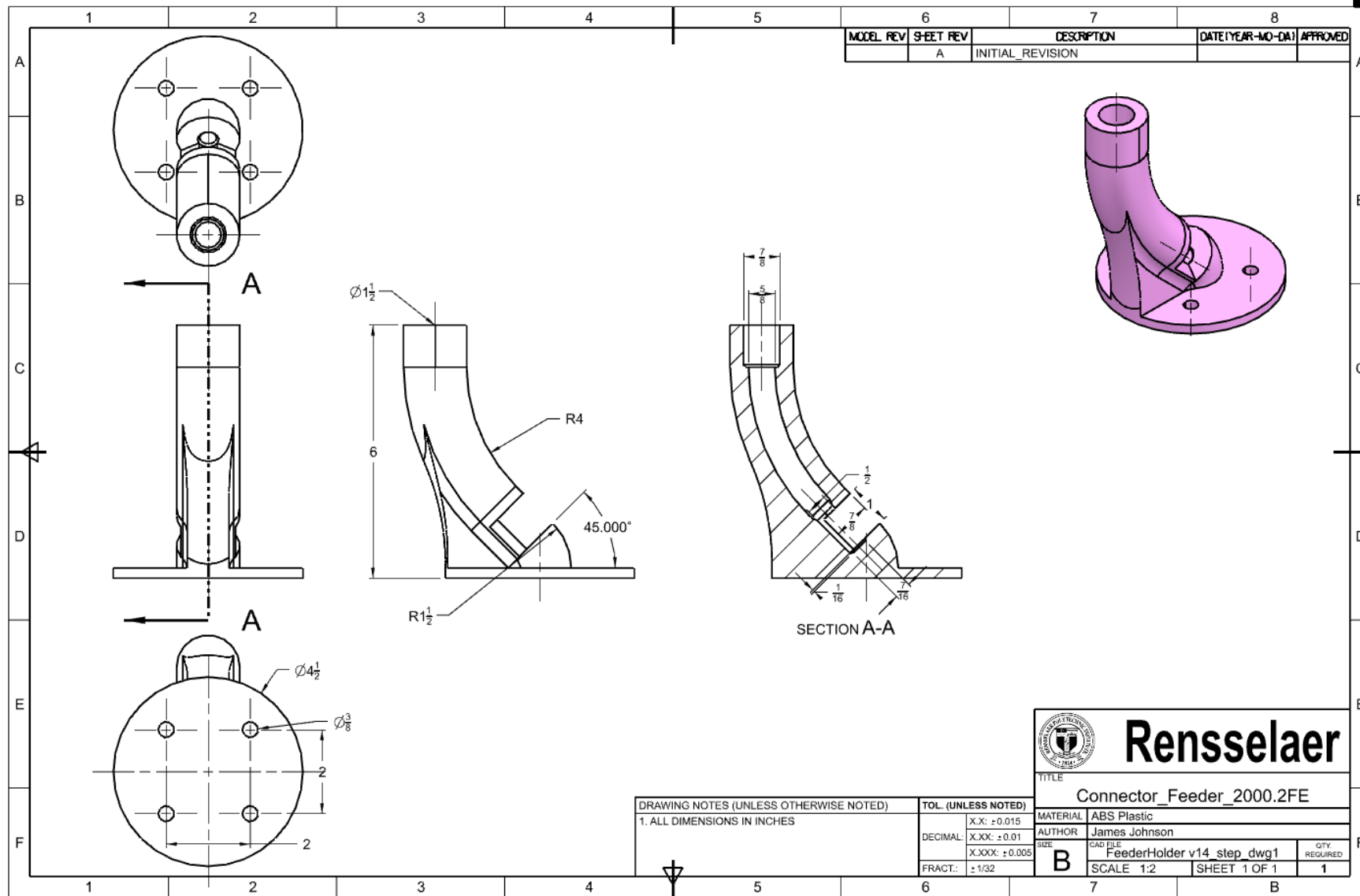
### 7.1.2 Connector Feeder Tooling Manufacturing Sheet

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|---------------------------|--|
| 2000.2FE                  |  |
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| Connector Feeder          |  |
| Drawing Title             |  |
| Connector_Feeder_2000.2FE |  |

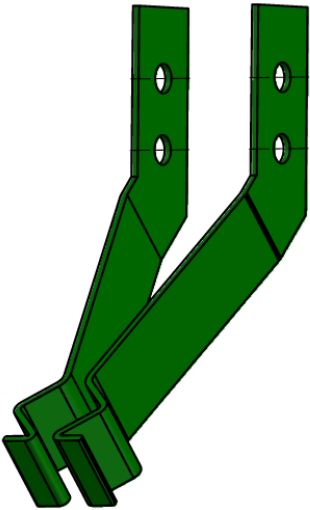
| Part Information                                 |                  |
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| Material Type                                    | 3D Printed ABS   |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan           |   |
|---|---|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                 |   |
| Process                                       | FDM 3D Printing   |
| Machine Tool                                  | Stratasys F170  |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | Infill: 30%<br>Layer Height: 0.3mm<br>Support material: Yes<br>Print as pictured with the flange on the bottom.   |
| Quality Control                               | Verify that the ID allows pipe connectors to easily drop through the feeder.<br>Verify that a standard 0.5" ID PVC tube fits snugly into the top of the feeder. |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations | N/A   |
| Notes   | N/A   |

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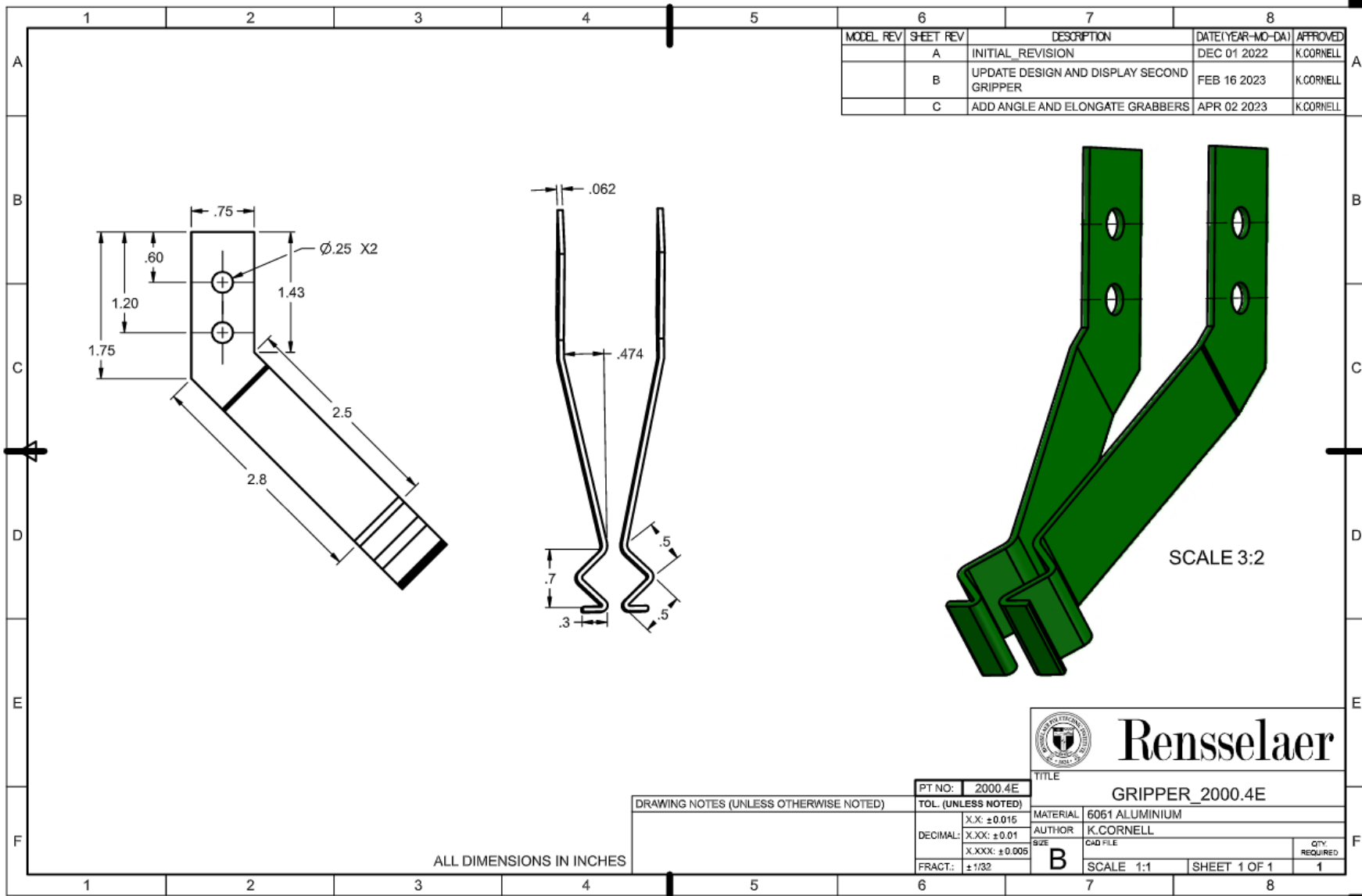
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| 2000.4E           |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name |  |
| Gripper           |  |
| Drawing Title     |  |
| Gripper_2000.4E   |  |

| Part Information                                 |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Material Type                                    | 6061 Aluminum    |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan           |  |
|---|--|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                 |  |
| Process                                       | Manual Machining   |
| Machine Tool                                  | Vertical Drill Press   |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | RPM = 3055 r/min<br>CS = 200 ft/min<br>D = ¼ inch<br>$F_{pt} = 0.002\text{-}0.004 \text{ in/tooth}$<br>F = 12 in/min<br>$N_t = 2 \text{ flutes}$ |
| Quality Control                               | Grippers must be inspected to ensure a smooth surface finish. Verify that Grippers fit the outside of the Pump Connector tightly.                |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations | $RPM = \frac{4(CS)}{D}$ $F = F_{pt}(RPM)(N_t)$   |
| Notes   | N/A  |

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|           | B         | UPDATE DESIGN AND DISPLAY SECOND GRIPPER | FEB 16 2023       | K.CORNELL |
|           | C         | ADD ANGLE AND ELONGATE GRABBERS          | APR 02 2023       | K.CORNELL |

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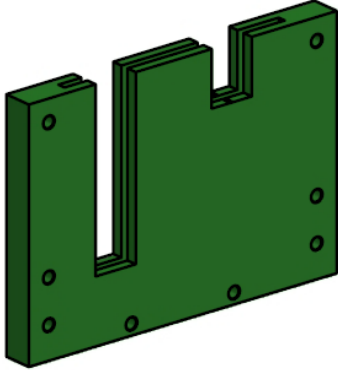
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| MATERIAL            | 6061 ALUMINIUM |                 |               |
| AUTHOR              | K.CORNELL      |                 |               |
| SIZE                | B              | CAD FILE        | QTY. REQUIRED |
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## 7.2 Horizontal Press Assembly Fixture Manufacturing Sheets

### 7.2.1 Grate Fixture Manufacturing Sheet

| BOM #                 | Isometric View   |
|-----------------------|--|
| 3000.1F               |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name     |  |
| Grate Fixture         |  |
| Drawing Title         |  |
| Grate_Fixture_3000.1F |  |

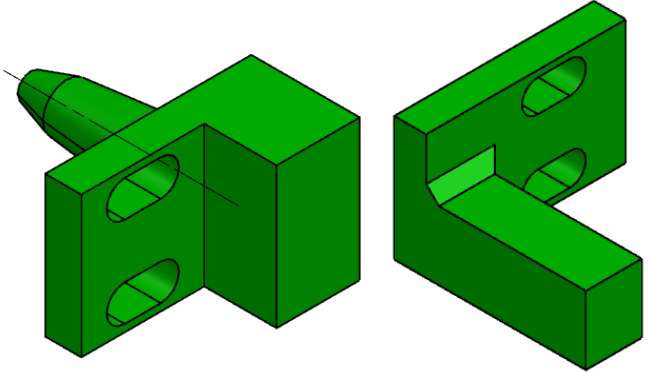
| Part Information                                 |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Material Type                                    | Acrylic and ABS  |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan           |  |
|---|--|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                 |  |
| Process                                       | Manual Machining   |
| Machine Tool                                  | Vertical Drill Press, Vertical Band Saw  |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | RPM = 3055 r/min, 1500 r/min<br>CS = 200 ft/min, 150 ft/min<br>D = ¼ inch, ⅜ inch<br>$F_{pt} = 0.002 \text{ in/tooth}, 0.015 \text{ in/rev}$<br>F = 12 in/min, 22.5 in/min<br>$N_t = 2 \text{ flutes}$ |
| Quality Control                               | Inspect for defects and verify that the grate fits snugly in the fixture while still being easily inserted and removed.  |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations | $RPM = \frac{4(CS)}{D}$ $F = F_{pt}(RPM)(N_t)$   |
| Notes   | N/A  |

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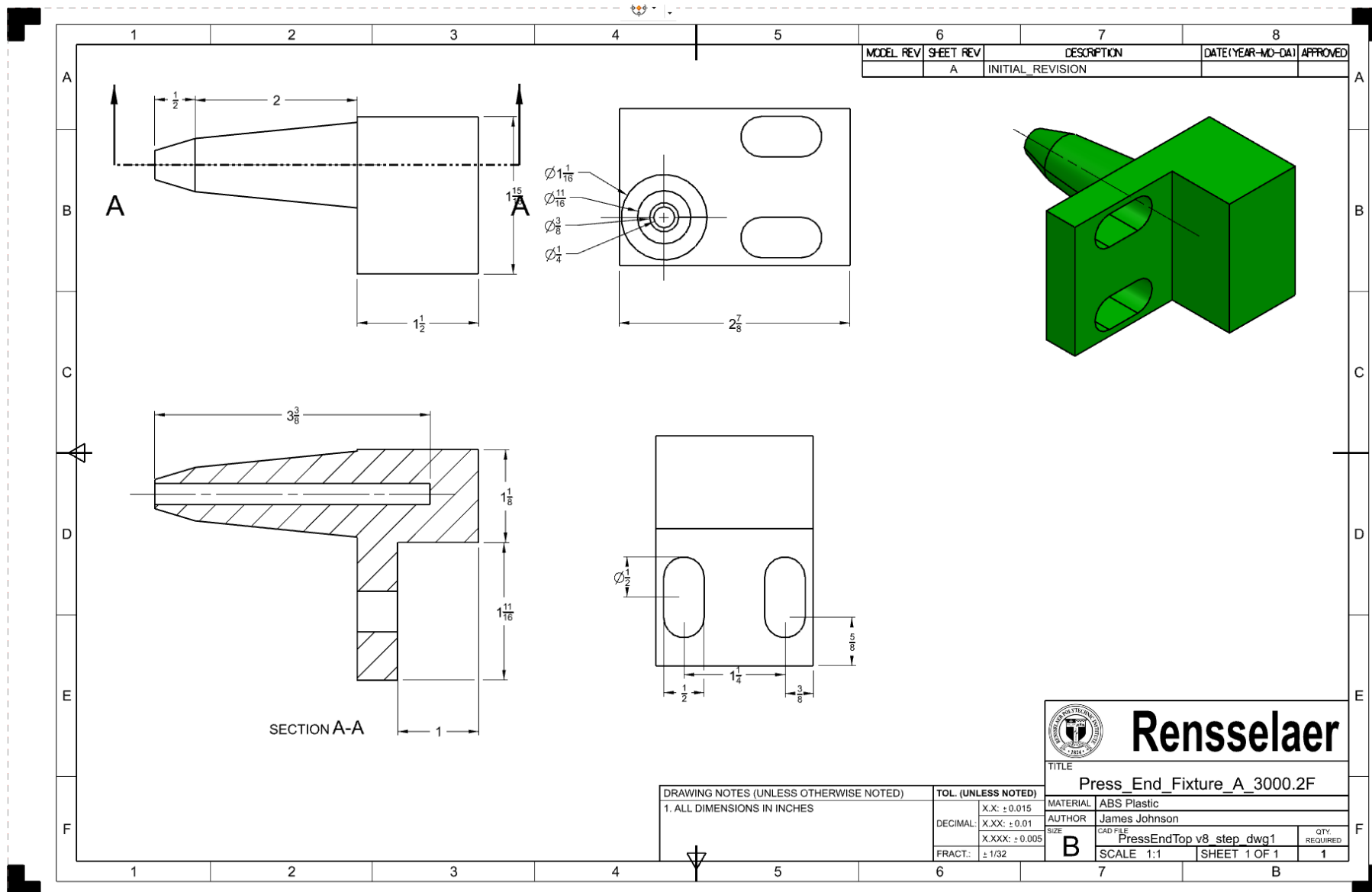
### 7.2.2 Press End Fixture Manufacturing Sheet

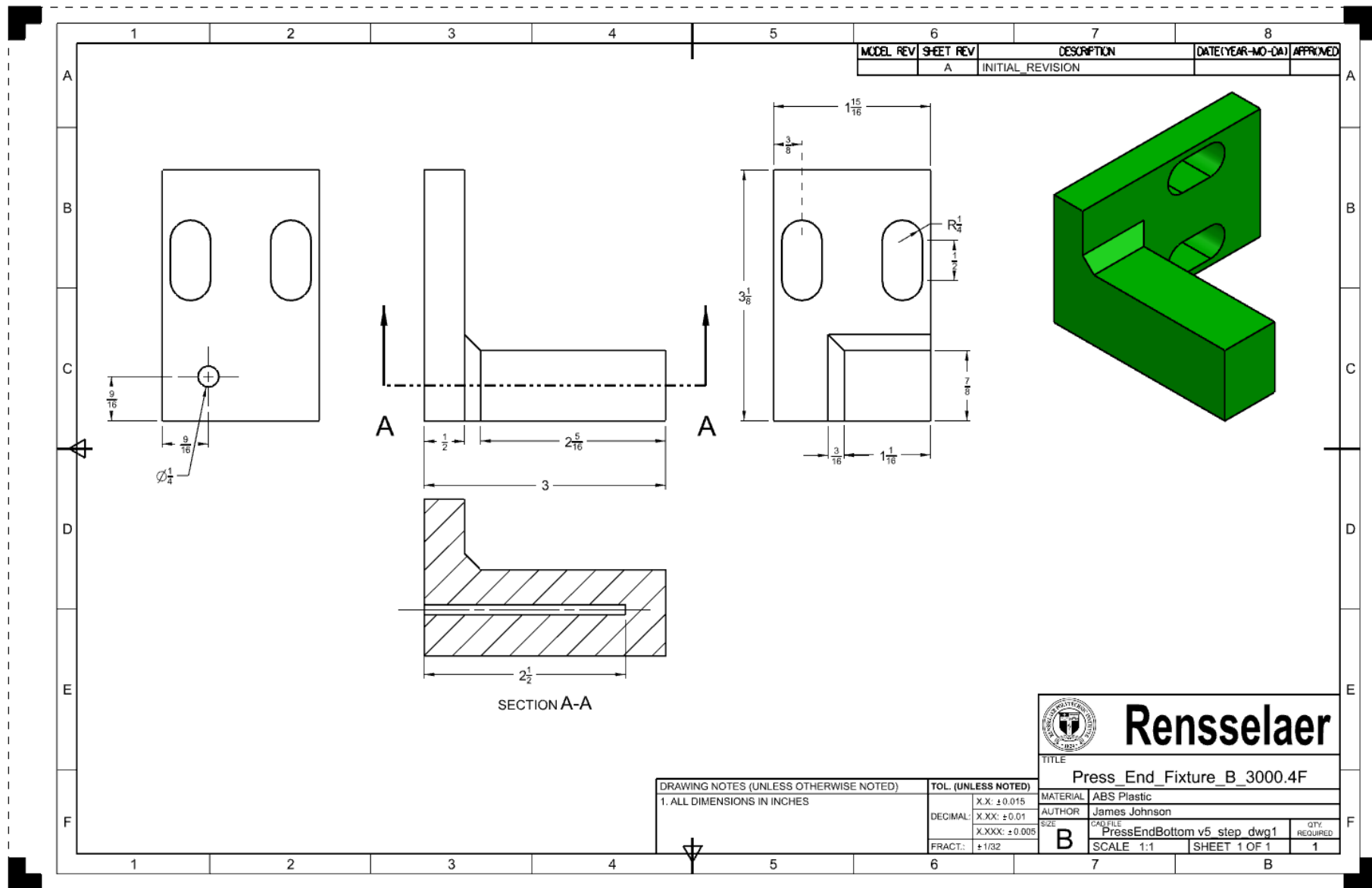
| BOM #  | Isometric View   |
|--|--|
| 3000.2F<br>3000.4F   |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name  |  |
| Press End Fixture A<br>Press End Fixture B                 |  |
| Drawing Title  |  |
| Press_End_Fixture_A_3000.2F<br>Press_End_Fixture_B_3000.2F |  |

| Part Information                                 |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Material Type                                    | 3D Printed ABS   |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL |

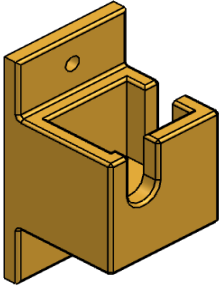
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|---|---|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                 |   |
| Process                                       | FDM 3D Printing   |
| Machine Tool                                  | Stratasys F170  |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters           | Infill: 30%<br>Layer Height: 0.3mm<br>Support material: No<br>Print with the tube guides oriented vertically and the flat square plate on the bottom. |
| Quality Control                               | Inspect for defects and verify that the pipes fit snugly on the fixture while still being easily placed and removed.                                  |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations | N/A   |
| Notes   | N/A   |

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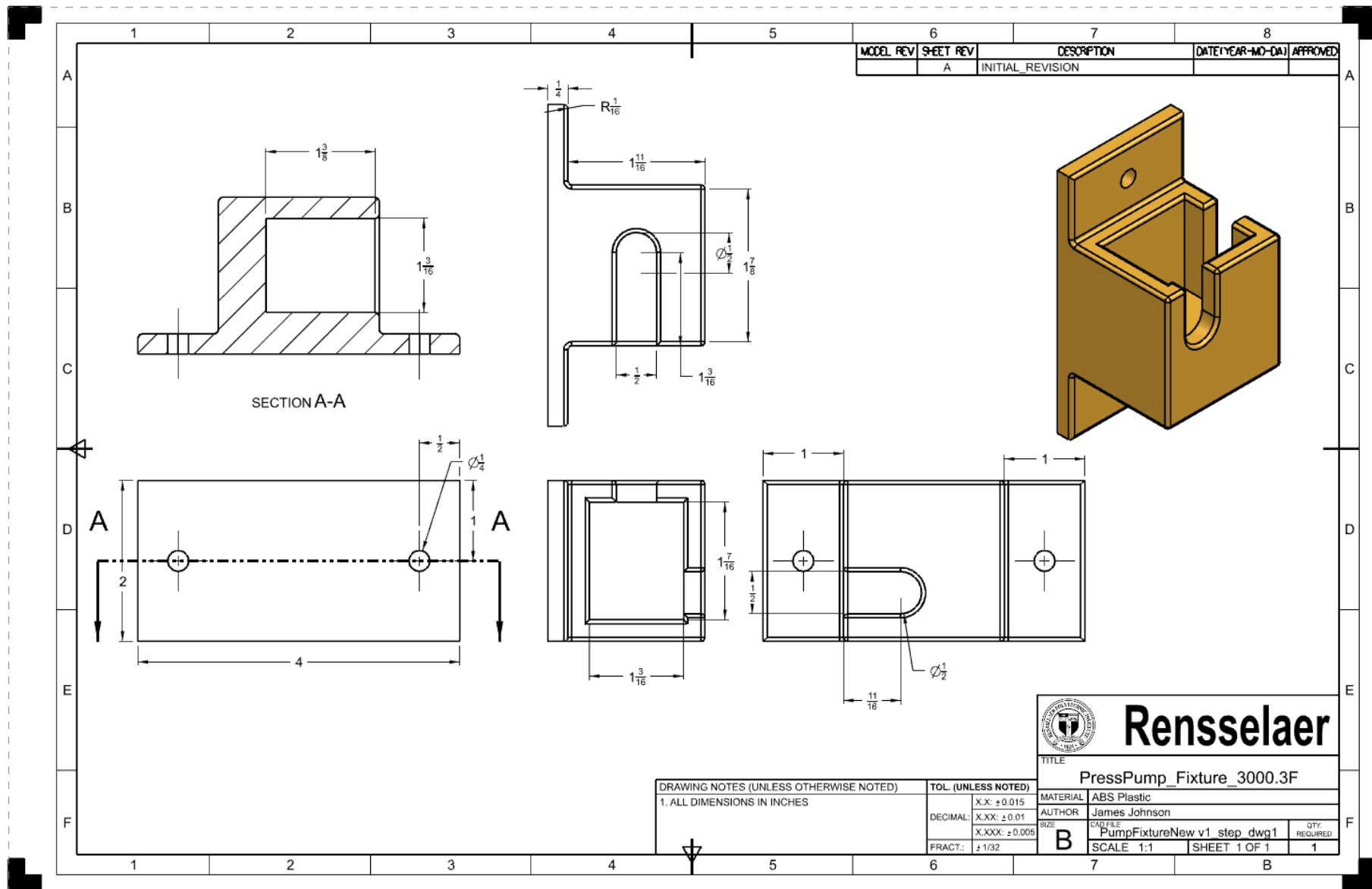
### 7.2.3 Press Pump Fixture Manufacturing Sheet

| BOM #                     | Isometric View   |
|---------------------------|--|
| 3000.3F                   |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name         |  |
| Press Pump Fixture        |  |
| Drawing Title             |  |
| PressPump_Fixture_3000.3F |  |

| Part Information                                 |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Material Type                                    | 3D Printed ABS   |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL |

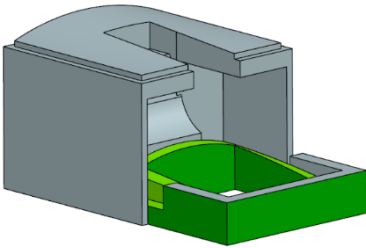
| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan             |  |
|---|--|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                   |  |
| Process   | FDM 3D Printing  |
| Machine Tool                                    | Stratasys F170   |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters             | Infill: 30%<br>Layer Height: 0.3mm<br>Support material: Yes<br>Print as pictured with the mounting brackets on the bottom. |
| Quality Control                                 | Inspect for defects and verify that the pump fits snugly in the fixture while still being easily inserted and removed.     |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations   | N/A  |
| Notes   | N/A  |
| Secondary Manufacturing Process/Post-Processing |  |
| Process   | Support Material Removal   |
| Machine Tool                                    | Parts Cleaner  |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters             | 6 hrs in parts wash bin to dissolve support material   |
| Quality Control                                 | N/A  |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations   | N/A  |
| Notes   | N/A  |

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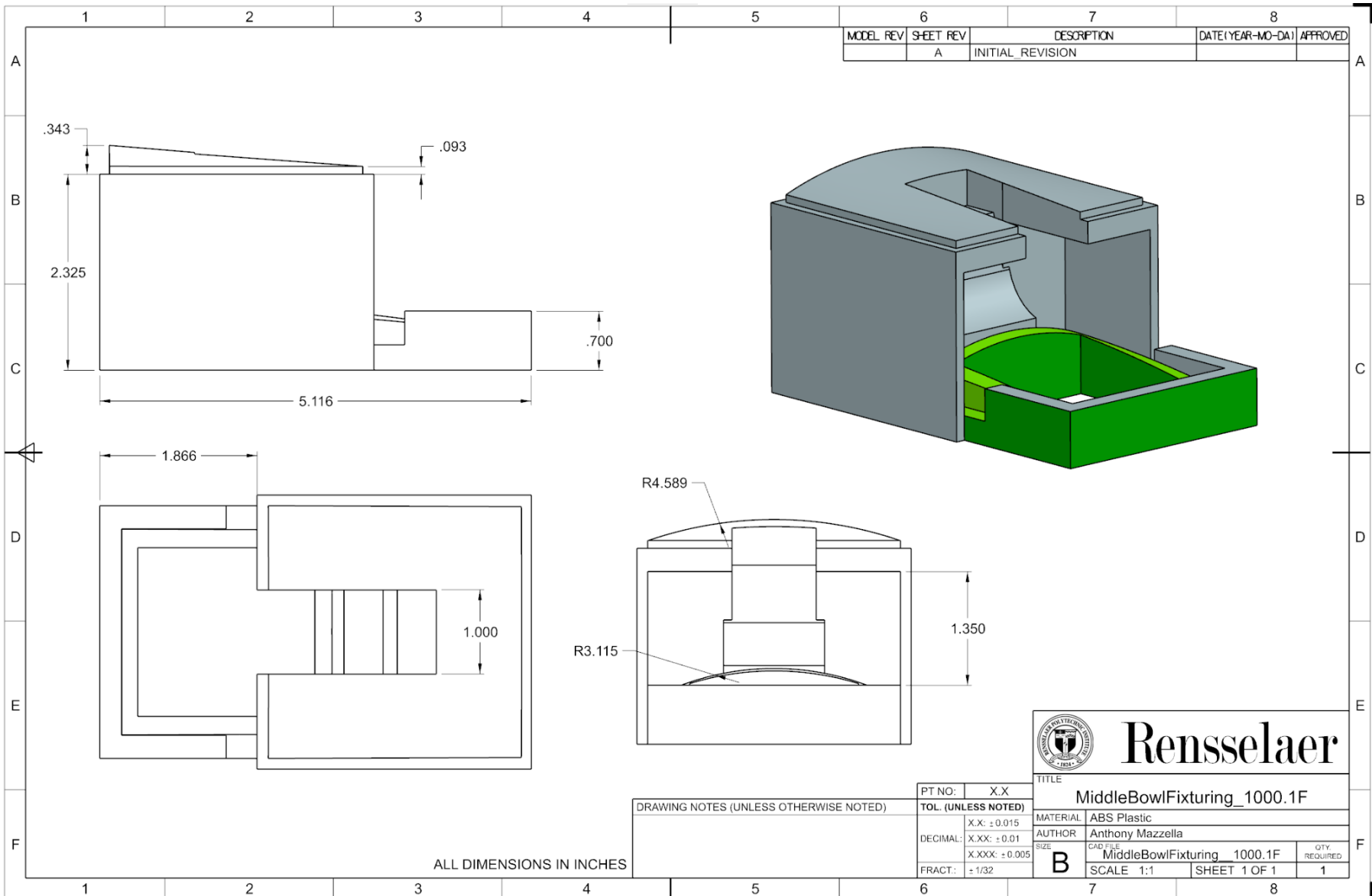
### 7.3 Bowl-Bridge Assembly Fixture Manufacturing Sheet

| BOM #                       | Isometric View   |
|-----------------------------|--|
| 1000.1F                     |  |
| BOM/3D Model Name           |  |
| Heat Staking Fixture        |  |
| Drawing Title               |  |
| MiddleBowlFixturing_1000.1F |  |

| Part Information                                 |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| Material Type                                    | ABS Plastic Filament |
| Material Resource Planning (Raw Material Needed) | Provided by MILL     |
| Part Count Required                              | 1                    |

| Proposed Manufacturing Process Plan             |  |       |           |
|---|--|-------|-----------|
| Primary Manufacturing Process                   |  |       |           |
| Process   | FDM 3D Printing  |       |           |
| Machine Tool                                    | Stratasys F170   |       |           |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters             | N/A  |       |           |
| Quality Control                                 | Make sure the print has a clean surface finish and has had all supports removed. Make sure a top and middle bowl sit on the fixture correctly. |       |           |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations   | N/A  |       |           |
| Notes   | N/A  |       |           |
| Secondary Manufacturing Process/Post-Processing |  |       |           |
| Process   | Support Material Removal   |       |           |
| Machine Tool                                    | Parts Cleaner  |       |           |
| Tooling Needed                                  | Name   | BOM # | Drawing # |
|   | N/A  | N/A   | N/A       |
| Associated Manufacturing Parameters             | 6 hrs in parts wash bin to dissolve support material   |       |           |
| Quality Control                                 | N/A  |       |           |
| Associated Manufacturing Process Calculations   | N/A  |       |           |
| Notes   | N/A  |       |           |

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## **Section 8: Prototype Testing**

## 8.1 Prototype Testing



**Figure 8.1 Prototype *Magic Fountain***

The prototype is shown above in Figure 8.1. It is vital to test the prototype because it will ensure that the fountain design is stable and can withstand any accidental forces applied to it, such as being knocked over by accident. Testing can also determine how long the product can work until failure. An unstable or weak product or one that fails quickly will lead to customer dissatisfaction.

The bridge is the most vital element of the fountain as it supports the middle bowl, which is the focal point of the design. Any breakage in it may impede the flow of water. If it fractures completely, the fountain will cease to work as intended. Testing the bridge by applying a load until failure will help evaluate the validity of the bridge design.

If the fountain is knocked over, it will spill water all over a user's desk, possibly drenching electronics or papers in the process. This is an undesirable outcome. Determining the amount of force required to move the product should help validate the product's integrity.

Because the prototype is made of PLA filament and not the 304 stainless steel used in the final product, mass must be added to the middle bowl for testing so that it weighs what the actual middle bowl will weigh. It is crucial to get accurate results on the bridge testing analysis. The prototype PLA middle bowl weighs 5.94 grams, while the finished product stainless steel bowl will weigh roughly 42.5 grams, so the team added the difference in mass to the bowl for testing.

### **8.1.1 Standard Testing Procedure**

- Attach 36g of mass to the bottom of middle bowl. See Figure 8.1.1
- Set fully assembled product on flat surface
- Fill product with water and rocks
- Testing bridge strength:
  - Drill 1/8" hole through edge of middle bowl
  - Hook a Mark-10 Digital Force Gauge through hole in edge of middle bowl
  - Set gauge to measure peak tension
  - Slowly Pull gauge away in appropriate direction
  - Do this testing for three different directions:
    - Pulling up on the bowl as shown in Figure 8.1.2
    - Pulling down on the bowl as shown in Figure 8.1.3
    - Pulling to the side of the bowl as shown in Figure 8.1.4
  - Record findings
- Testing force required to move product:
  - Use the flat head attachment for the Mark-10 Digital Force Gauge to push on the basin of the product until there is noticeable movement
    - Setup shown in Figure 8.1.5
  - Record findings



**Figure 8.1.1 Weighted PLA Middle Bowl**



**Figure 8.1.2 Downward Pull Test on Bridge**





**Figure 8.1.3 Upward Pull Test on Bridge**



**Figure 8.1.4 Sideways Pull Test on Bridge**



**Figure 8.1.5 Force Test on Basin**

### **8.1.2 Assumptions**

Many assumptions were made before running the prototype tests. Most of the testing revolves around the bridge to top bowl connection. This is where the team believes their product is the weakest. The prototype connection between bridge and top bowl is a snap-fit, not overmolding like in the actual product. The team assumed that the strength of this connection would not be as admirable. They believe that because of this, the bridge will be the first part of the product that will break during testing. Aside from this connection, the product seems structurally sound. The team assumed that it would take an excessive amount of force to deflect the top assembly (tall pipe, top bowl, bridge and middle bowl) such that failure occurs. The other main assumption is that with rocks and water in the basin to weigh it down, it will be very hard to jolt the fountain. Also, when force is applied to the product, the fountain will move very little.



### 8.1.3 Results

Table 8.1.3 Testing Results

| <u>Direction of Applied Force</u> | <u>Max Force (lbs)</u> |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Bridge Testing</b>             |                        |
| Vertical- Up                      | 1.21                   |
| Vertical - Down                   | 0.40                   |
| Horizontal - Left                 | 1.75                   |
| <b>Resistance to Sliding Test</b> |                        |
| Horizontal - Into Basin           | 0.79                   |

### 8.1.4 Conclusion

The prototype testing was very helpful in the design process for both confirming the team's assumptions and finding new areas of improvement. Overall, results were satisfactory and showed that the product will be ready for production. This is a prototype, and all bowls for testing were 3D printed PLA, not the ABS plastic that will constitute the top bowl or the stainless steel from which the middle bowl will be manufactured.

The bridge is the weakest point of the bowl assembly as far as accidental breakage by the user. The bridge connection to the top bowl is a snap-fit connection for the prototype, but will be overmolded for the final product. Pulling the bridge upward or horizontally took a considerable amount of force before failure. It is important to note that the bridge allowed for a significant deflection before it failed, which means that it would withstand most accidental bumps. The press fit connection on the top bowl also allows for rotation and will rotate under less force than the 1.75 lbs that it took to break the bridge due to a horizontally applied force. The worst performance of the bridge can be seen in the downward force test where the part only withstood 0.4 lbs of applied force. This test was conducted on the front edge of the bowl, which resulted in the greatest moment exerted on the top of the bridge of all tests. The middle bowl is most likely to be faced with a force in the horizontal direction, and it is partially protected from a downward force by the top bowl if something were dropped on top of the product. In each trial, the top bowl had to be held in place to get a true strength test for the bridge. Otherwise for each test, before the bridge reached failure, the joint between the tall pipe and the top bowl would rotate. If any force were applied to this area, the attachment would rotate instead of breaking. With these factors considered, the tests can be concluded as acceptable for the final product.

Lastly, the Resistance Test was another positive result for testing. The fully assembled fountain weighs about 4 pounds and has a low center of mass. This allows the product to take

about 0.8 pounds of force before moving on a hardwood surface. Even with this, when faced with any force, the fountain will slide before any part of the product breaks or tips over. The product can be moved across a surface by pulling the top bowl and the pipe only deflects  $\frac{1}{4}$ ". With these factors in mind, the testing provides confidence that the product can withstand any minor force that will be applied to it within its intended use.

## **Section 9: Standard Operating Procedures**

## **9.1 Manufacturing Standard Operating Procedures**

### **9.1.1 Basin Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46820 on the VKS named Basin Creation.

### **9.1.2 Top and End Bowl Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46919 on the VKS named Plastic Injection-Molding (Top and End Bowls).

### **9.1.3 Middle Bowl Shearing Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46815 on the VKS named Middle Bowl Shearing Process.

### **9.1.4 Middle Bowl Forming Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46880 on the VKS named Middle Bowl Forming and Finishing.

### **9.1.5 Bridge Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46801 on the VKS named Bridge SOP.

### **9.1.6 Grate Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46804 on the VKS named Grate Laser Cuttin Process.

### **9.1.7 Short Pipe Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46826 on the VKS named Short Pipe Production.

### **9.1.8 Tall Pipe Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46808 on the VKS named 5.5" Tall Pipe Production.

### **9.1.9 Pump Connector Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46847 on the VKS named Pump Connection Production.

## **9.2 Assembly Standard Operating Procedures**

### **9.2.1 Assembly 2 Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46877 on the VKS named Pump Connector Assembly (2).

### **9.2.2 Assembly 3 Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46883 on the VKS named Horizontal Press Assembly (3).

### **9.2.3 Assembly 4 Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46907 on the VKS named Bowl to Bridge Assembly (4).

### **9.2.4 Assembly 5 Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46904 on the VKS named Bowls to Pipe Assembly (5).

### **9.2.5 Assembly 1 Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46901 on the VKS named Finale Assembly (1).

## **9.3 Packaging Standard Operating Procedure**

### **9.3.1 Laser Cutting Box Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46805 on the VKS named Packaging Box Laser Cutting SOP.

### **9.3.2 Box Folding Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46973 on the VKS named Packaging Box Folding Assembly.

### **9.3.3 Plaque Engraving Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46844 on the VKS named Magic Fountain-Plaque Laser Engraving.

### **9.3.4 Plaque Attachment Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46949 on the VKS named Plaque Attachment.

### **9.3.5 Rock Bag Sealing Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46975 on the VKS named Bag Sealing of Rocks and Packaging.

### **9.3.6 Pump Testing Standard Operating Procedure**

Refer to Guide number 46978 on the VKS named Incoming Pump Test Procedure.

## **Section 10: Technical Challenges Encountered and Solutions**

## **10.1 Manufacturing Challenges and Solutions**

Throughout this semester, MPS Team C has had a variety of challenges in our design process. This semester has focused on manufacturing production, which naturally lead to many challenges that the team did not foresee when designing these parts. Not until actually using the production machines to manufacture these components did the group realize the different tolerancing and structural challenges that could arise. Through these challenges, the team is learning more about tolerancing and quality checks, fixture design, and manufacturing as a whole.

### **10.1.1 Middle Bowl Shearing**

For the stainless steel middle bowls, the team is using a Pexto manual kick shear to cut the material. For most of the bowls, they are using excess material that has been in the MILL since 1985: coiled T-410 Stainless Steel. When it is used up, the group will begin using 204 Stainless Steel to make the bowls. Due to the coiled nature of the T-410 material and the accuracy of the kick shear, the team has run into some tolerancing challenges.

Originally, the team was unsure if they would cut these components via waterjet or use the kick shear. Ultimately, they decided to use the shear due to its availability, ease of use, and cost savings, at the cost of the cuts being less accurate. The team had hoped for a tolerance of  $\pm 0.020''$  for each side length of the bowl, but after testing on the shear, they found that these tolerances were not viable.

One reason for this inaccuracy is the setup of the shear. To set the cut size, the team places a 1-2-3 gauge block in between the stop and the blade of the shear and adjusts the stop accordingly. Once the stop is set, however, the gauge block must be removed from behind the blade, which allows for some wiggle room in the tolerance. Another potential reason for this inaccuracy is that the raw material is coiled spring steel. No matter how securely the material is held down, it has a slight downward curve which could lead to a slightly larger dimension.

This tolerancing nonconformity led to discussion about whether the part can fit into the punch and die to form the bowl and if the desired results would be attainable. The group contemplated creating an L-shaped design where one piece would hold the origin of the part and the other would slide inwards to hold the part in place. However, the group discussed this possibility with their instructors. The instructors suggested opening up tolerancing for the die so that the blank would fit. If the team were working for a manufacturing company, it would be more efficient to open up the tolerances and move forward rather than keep problem solving and wasting time and money to get those tolerances down, especially given that the tolerances are not crucial to the design of the product. This was a great learning experience. Ultimately, the tolerancing opened up to  $\pm 0.03125$  for each dimension. The die now has a cutout to allow operators to eject the blank from the die once it is fully formed and processed.

### **10.1.2 Middle Bowl Depth in Die**

Preliminary calculations done in the fall suggested that the die would require up to 4000 lb of force to form the desired shape. The calculations used to generate the 4000 lb value were primarily used for deep drawing, the process used for creating metal tubing. The required process is forming the metal into the desired curve rather than extruding it. After evaluation of the 4000 lb calculation, the team was advised to print a 3D model of the punch and die to conduct hand testing. After testing, it was found that only 1/10 of the original estimate (400 lb) was necessary to form the metal.

The secondary issue concerning the die is the springback of the sheet metal after being formed. Because the desired shape is only a shallow arc, the metal is not strained into the plastic region and will not hold the desired shape. A series of hand tests were conducted using 3D printed dies to find the curve that would create the desired shape with springback. Therefore, the final shape of the die is dissimilar to the final shape of the middle bowl in all project drawings.

### **10.1.3 Middle Bowl Aluminum Material**

Once the team sheared all of the coiled T-410 stainless steel material in the MILL, instead of ordering the 204 stainless they wanted to see if they could continue to be sustainable and use any other excess material around campus. When going through the MILL, they found some aluminum material that was of a similar thickness to the T-410. With this, the team was able to shear the roughly 50 additional components that we needed to reach 300 total.

However, once the team put the aluminum into the compound die, they ran into some springback issues. The die was shaped based on calculations on using stainless steel. Because of this, when they tried a different material in aluminum, the springback was not as expected. When the punch would compress the aluminum into the die, it did not form a deep enough arc for the aluminum, and the material would spring right back to the pre-formed blank state. With this material not taking shape to the die, the blank would get caught onto the punch and tooling had to be used to remove it. Because of this, the team decided to stop production and continue with the 250 stainless steel middle bowls as they were running out of time and were not able to order more stainless steel in short notice. In the future, the team would have to either order additional stainless material earlier in the semester, or find a material with properties more similar to those of stainless steel.

### **10.1.4 Laser Cutting the Bridge**

Many unforeseen challenges were encountered while cutting the bridge with the Thunder Laser machine. When testing with a smaller batch size, issues dealing with data starvation and the laser cutter's belt tension were not apparent. These issues critically affected the structural integrity of the bridge, particularly the junction between the overmolding peg and the body of the bridge. Due to the 90 degree turn in the dxf file, the laser would cut into the



specimen, causing it to no longer be a conforming part. The solution was to put a small radius on this junction so that the machine would not pause in this location and to tighten the belt on the machine to fix any lag and unwanted movement of the laser.

The dxf file was additionally altered to give the bridge a better appearance, as burns and alignment issues were apparent. Due to the outside edge previously being a connected line and spline, the machine would make two separate cuts and meet at the connection node. This was altered so that the cut was done with one sweep and the spline was changed to an arc. The speed and power were two key elements of dialing in this process all while battling a laser lens that was becoming more clogged with each use.

#### **10.1.5 Laser Cutting the Basin**

A fixture was created to aid in trimming the thermoformed basin. This fixture consists of two components: a holding element and an alignment element. The holding element is made of two square frames held together by four nuts and bolts. The basin is pressed into the frames which creates a snug fit and ensures proper orientation of the basin inside the laser cutter. The technical issue stems from the alignment element. In order to have a simple and efficient laser cutting process, the holding fixture must be set in one specific location within the laser. This allows the trimming process to be fast and precise. To create this alignment element, a polystyrene sheet is pushed into the corner of the laser cutter and the opposite corner is secured by magnets. Holes are cut into the sheet to allow the bolts of the holding fixture to fit inside. These holes create a specific location for the holding fixture. The combination of these two elements were used to manufacture about 100 basins when the group decided the process was unsatisfactory.

The manufacturing process left small imperfections like waves or wide edges. The method for trimming needed to be very precise to look good, so many basins came out imperfect. The team overhauled their molding and trimming process moving forward in order to account for imperfections and create an overall more consistent looking product. The first and most notable change made was creating a flat lip around the basin to cut on instead of trying to cut exactly on the edge. Cutting right on the edge leaves no room for error so adding a quarter inch lip to the basin allows for very slight shifts of the basin being molded or sitting in the laser cutter to be masked. Figure 10.1.5 shows the difference in the basin edges.



**Figure 10.1.5 Old vs New Trimming Method**

The group made some other changes within the vacuum former to help create more consistent basins. It was observed that most of the basins being made were not completely vacuumed because the ABS popped along the corners of the vacuum former and all suction was lost due to an insufficient seal. The group was able to switch the metal seal which had different corner geometry which stopped the ABS from popping. Now that the vacuum could be held for longer, the formed basin shape was more consistent and precise.

The last change was plugging the hole in the mold. Originally a hole passed through the entire mold which helped form the dimple in the bottom of the basin. When the previous suction problem was fixed, the dimple would occasionally pop rendering the basin useless as it would no longer be able to hold water. To combat this, the team plugged the hole and manually made the dimple for the remaining basins.

### **10.1.6 Band Saw with Pipes**

The initial cutting process for the acrylic tubes resulted in chipping on the cut edge of pipes that made chamfering difficult and would not result in a clean edge for press fit assembly. This was solved by changing orientation of the pipe bundles so more saw blade teeth are running through pipes at any time and the blade does not chip the top edge on initial contact. Another issue was initial chamfering of the rough cut edge resulting in chipping. This was solved by creating a scraping tool to knock excess melted acrylic off the outside edge before chamfering. These two changes have greatly reduced the nonconforming numbers.

## **10.2 Assembly Challenges and Solutions**

While the team's main focus so far this semester has been manufacturing, they have been working on assembly as well. While they have not finished enough of production to start full assembly of their components, the group's goal is to frontload this work so that when they are ready for assembly, they will have flushed out all potential challenges and will be ready to assemble. The team is making custom fixtures to assemble their components. Some challenges have arisen along the way.

### 10.2.1 Assembly 2 Gripper

Assembly 2 uses a custom metal gripper end effector to pick and place pump connectors from connector feeder to pumps loaded onto the connector fixture. The first design for the gripper end effector (shown below) was unable to grab the connectors because the robot end effector stand would bump into the feeder. The team redesigned the gripper end effector to be further from the robot as well as angled at 45 degrees (as shown in Figure 10.2.1). This made it possible to grab and place the connectors without interference from the robot.

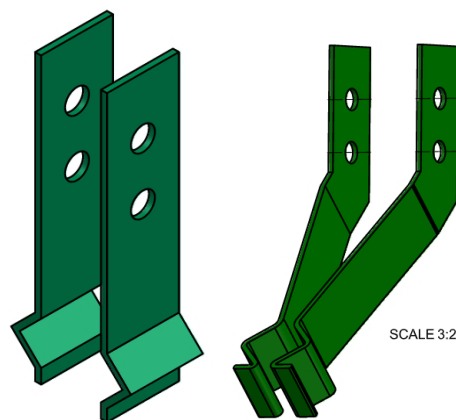


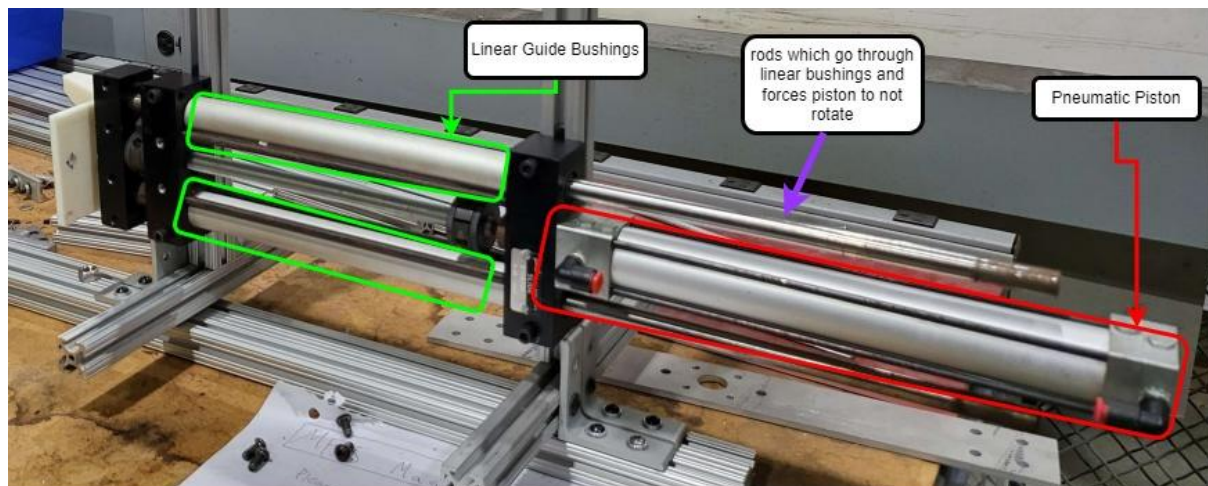
Figure 10.2.1 Assembly 2 Gripper Original Design (left), Final Design (right)

### 10.2.2 Assembly 3 Grate Holder

The Assembly 3 fixture requires several intermediary fixtures: one to hold Assembly 2, one to hold and press the pipes, and one to hold the grate. These components were all designed to be mounted on 80/20 T-slot extrusion for adjustability purposes. The grate fixture (part no. 3000.1F) was designed to fit and constrain the grate, but was not designed to be flexible if the grates were produced slightly larger or smaller or to account for any shrinkage from the 3D printing process. Upon printing the fixture and testing it with a grate, the grate fit too tightly and couldn't be easily loaded or unloaded. In order to fix this issue, the team redesigned the fixture to be more flexible. This was done by changing the manufacturing method from 3D printing to manual machining as well as having the fixture be held together using bolts, nuts, and washers. These changes gave it the flexibility to accommodate any grate and to hold the grates tighter or looser.

### 10.2.3 Assembly 3 Piston

Assembly 3 uses a pneumatic piston to push the pipes through the grate and into Assembly 2. One issue was that the piston rod could rotate. This would cause the pipe fixture to rotate and could cause the pipes to not be properly pushed through the grate. In order to stop the piston rod from rotating, the team used linear guide bushings and two stabilizing rods mounted to the outside of the piston (see Figure 10.2.2). This forced the pipe fixture to not rotate.



**Figure 10.2.2 Assembly 3 Piston**

In conclusion, the team has built lots of flexibility into the assembly systems to prevent issues with alignment and to be able to fix issues easily. Because the team has not started producing assemblies yet, it is hard to gauge if more issues will arise. As seen above, testing fixtures before starting production has been key and will continue to be a vital practice.

#### **10.2.4 Assembly 3 Alignment and Press End Fixture**

Assembly 3 relies on the two pipes being very precisely aligned with the holes in the grate. Even with the chamfered ends on the pipes, small misalignments caused the grate to crack. The original press end fixture was a single piece, but this was changed to a two piece system (3000.2F and 3000.4F) so that each pipe could individually be adjusted and aligned with the holes.

After switching to the two piece press end fixture, the alignment was still unreliable. After being used, the alignment would slowly drift off-center and begin cracking grates. This off-center drift was always in the same direction, and it was eventually determined that the pressure of tightening the bolts had created a slight indent in the soft 3D printed fixture's mounting slots. This indent caused the fixture to slowly move and center the indent on the bolt head. A set of extra wide washers was used to flatten the surface and better distribute the load, and this eliminated the off-center alignment drift issue.

#### **10.2.5 Assembly 4 Heat Staking Loose Fit**

Assembly 4 is the process of heat staking the acrylic bridge which was overmolded into the top ABS bowl to the middle stainless steel bowl. Though the task is simple, many trivial unforeseen events occurred due to the choice of material and previously chosen manufacturing processes. One challenge that arose was the length of the bottom nub of the bridge that was being heat staked. Due to negligence of thinking that the burr due to the middle bowl punch would not make much of a difference, the connection between the bridge and the bowl was not as snug as the team desired. The solution to the lack of deburr and too short of a bridge was the application of super glue to each of those heat staked portions. If the

team were to start over, the best manufacturing method would have been to go with cold forming. This would have required another material for the bridge as acrylic is too brittle to be cold formed. If the team were to continue manufacturing these for future endeavors, other material selection and methods would be best to consider.

#### **10.2.6 Pump Supply Chain Issue**

The pump, a purchased component that had the largest wait time due to overseas shipping, arrived with the wrong connection. The selected plug was a 5V USB connection while the pumps arrived with a 12V barrel plug. After testing with an adapter it was found that pump internals were identical, meaning that an adapter could be used. With only a month left to complete the project, the supplier agreed to send pumps with the correct connection. In the event that the pumps did not arrive in time, barrel plug to USB adapters were ordered as well so the original pumps could be used. The new pumps did ship in time, and the original pumps were removed, leaving the pump outlet fitting in the pump connector for ease of exchange.

### **10.3 Current and Future Work**

#### **10.3.1 Current Work**

So far this semester, the team has focused on manufacturing and working in conjunction with our eventual assembly. For manufacturing, the team has so far focused on producing the simpler parts, such as the grates and bridges. As of the time of writing, the team has produced every bridge and 250 grates. They have also started production on basin, pipes, and the middle bowl. Due to the nature of the tooling design, the team has made a point to complete the mold for the plastic injection bowls along with the punch and die for the middle bowl.

In regards to assembly, the team has begun to set up assembly cells and is working towards completion of fixtures for assemblies 2 and 3. Assemblies 2 and 3 are the most complex. Assembly 2 uses the robots, conveyor and vertical press located in the MILL and requires several custom fixtures. Assembly 3 uses a complex custom built horizontal press. Because of their complexity and out of an abundance of caution, the team decided to focus their efforts on making and calibrating those two assemblies.

#### **10.3.2 Future Work**

For the remainder of the semester, the team should focus on ramping up production and assembling the full product. They must continue to manufacture parts. Once all parts are completed, the team will begin assembly using the completed assembly jigs and fixtures. Finally, the team will package their product, and they will be ready for consumers!

## **Section 11: Ramping Up for the Spring Semester**

## 11.1 Ramping Up

As MPS Team C moves into production during the spring semester, they need to maneuver into a position that will set them up for success. In the first few weeks of the spring semester, they need to build and test all of the assembly fixtures and molds that were designed in the fall semester. Any necessary adjustments should be made as soon as possible.

Another action item that must be completed early on is ordering materials. It is important to order stock early just in case there are any shipping delays. In particular, the fountain pump is sourced from an Asian manufacturer called AliBaba. With the Chinese New Year in February, the company will most likely have reduced operations for an extended period of time right as fountain production starts. It is especially important in this case to make sure that the pump is ordered early and confirm that the product will arrive in a timely fashion.

Finally, the team needs to continue to work together and stay on the same page throughout the semester. With the spring semester having less formal class time, there is less scheduled time for team members to check up on each other's progress. They will continue to meet frequently outside of class and assign tasks to team members so that they can produce their product efficiently.