

Multi-Sample Laser Profilometer

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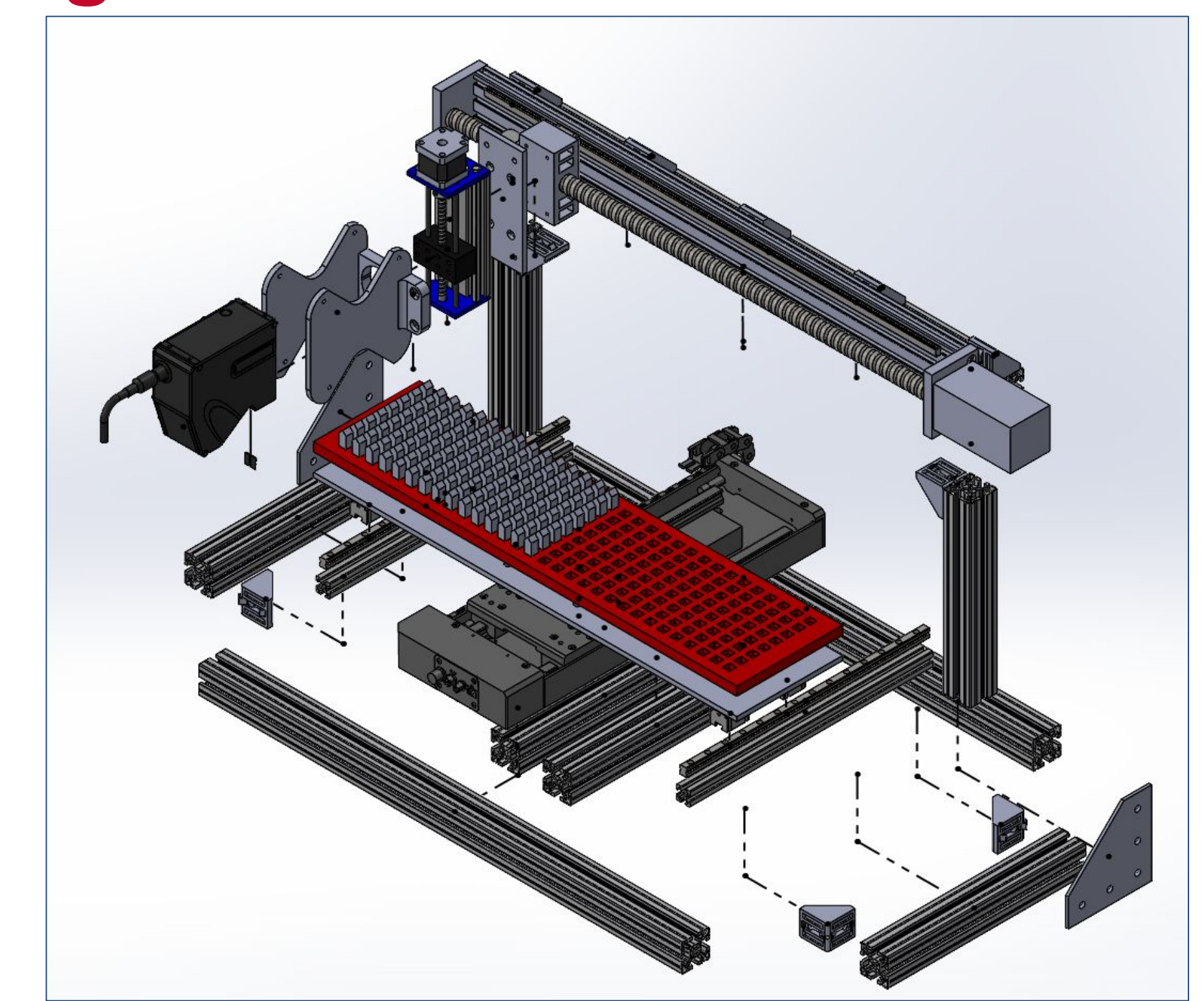
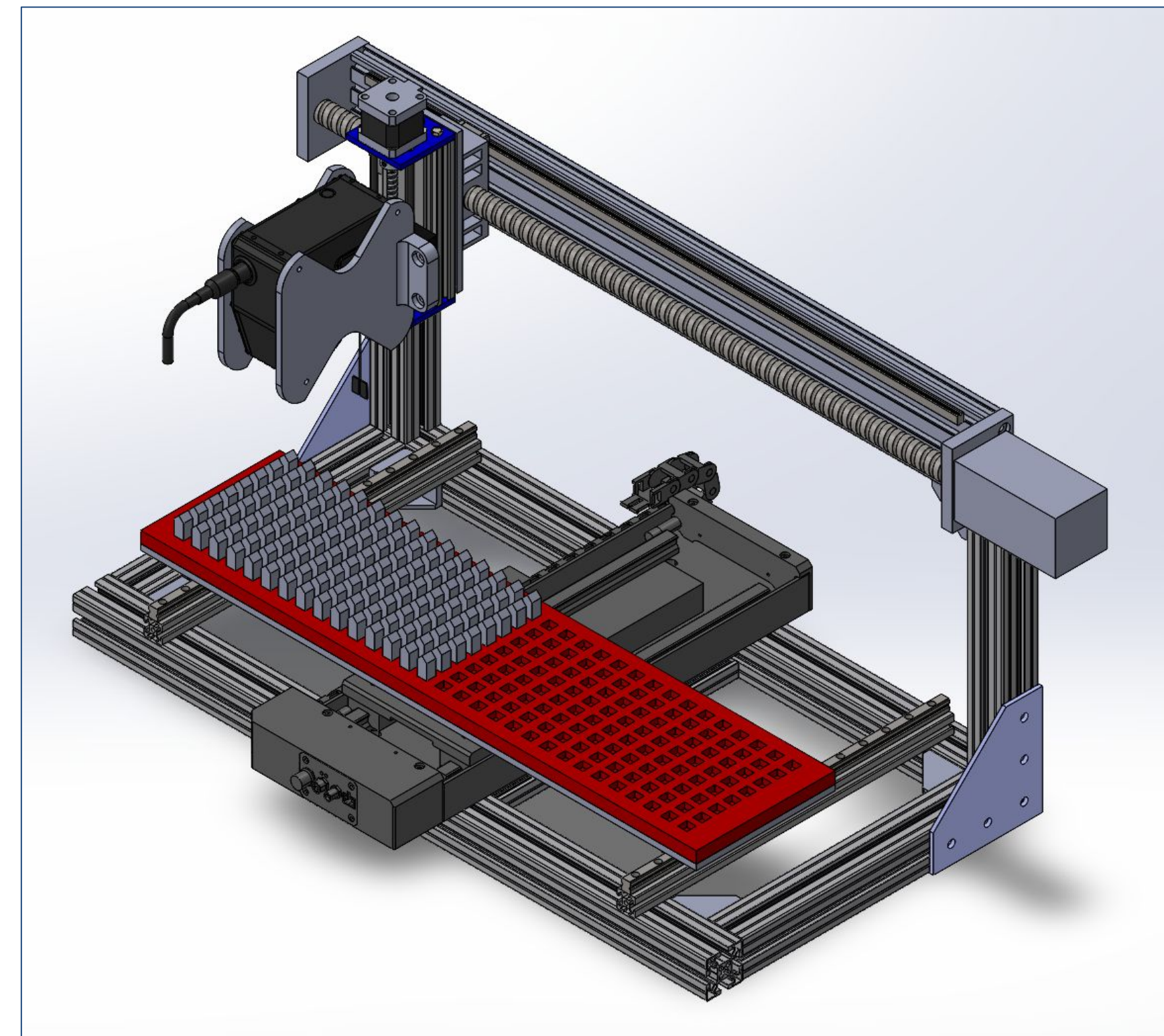
Motivation, Goal, Impact

- Automate and expedite sample scanning and data collection process
- Reduce downtime in scanning process and reallocate human resources more effectively
- Maintain precision, consistency, and reliability

Requirements

- Process at least 20 samples with various size without human intervention
- Automatically save and process files for the surfaces

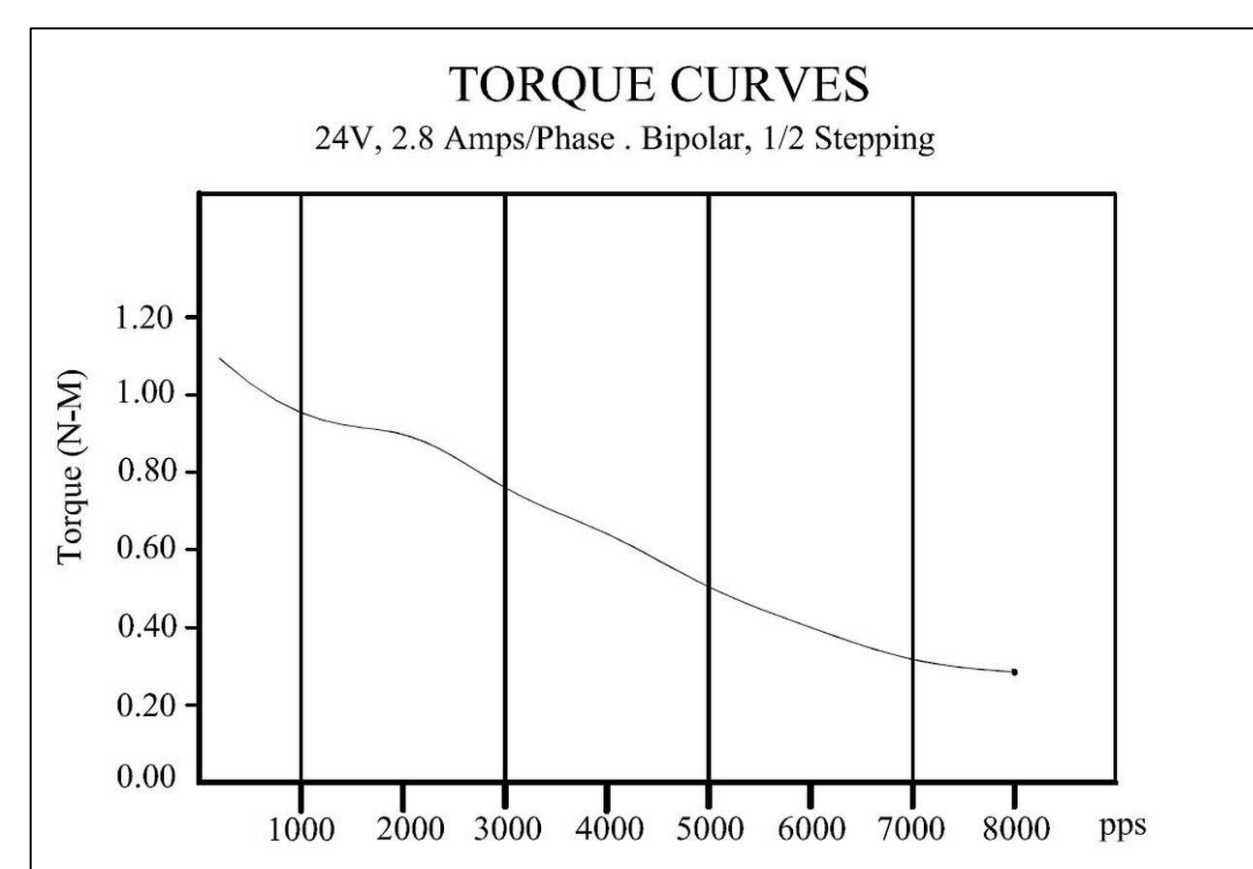
Final Design



Key Components

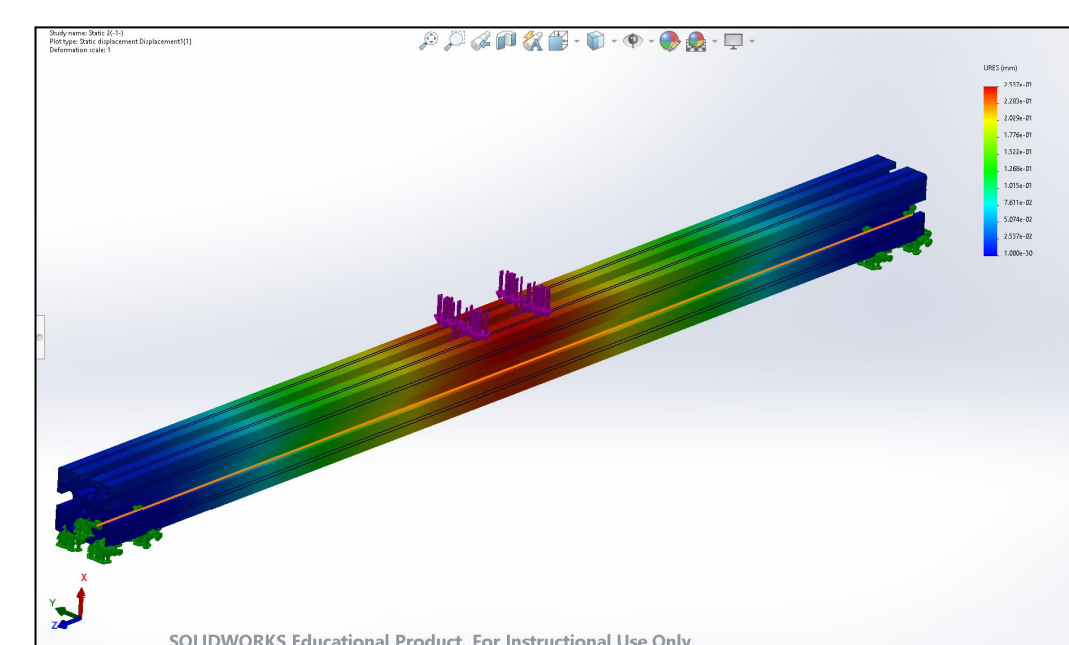
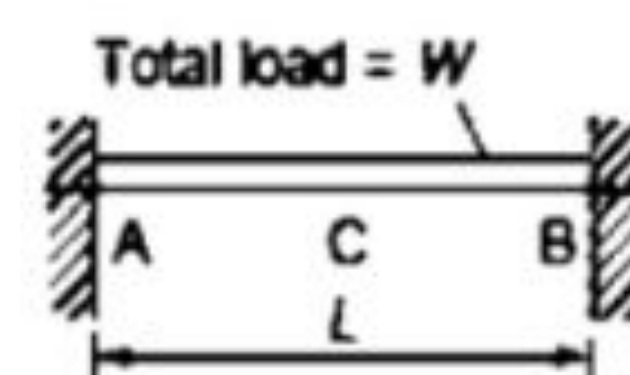
- Ball Screw Linear Rail w/NEMA23 Stepper Motor
- Linear Stage
- Digital Motor Controller
- Aluminum Extrusion
- Support Rails
- Scanning bed
- Keyence Laser

Design Calculations & Decisions

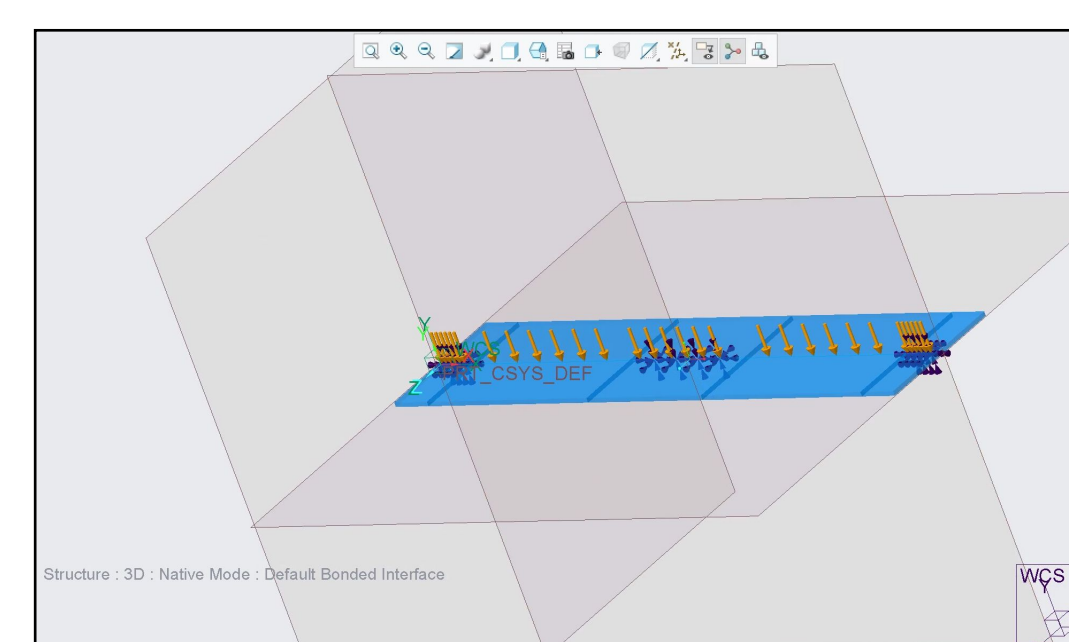


- Stress and deflection analysis of encastre beams (fixed on both ends) and distributive load across the entire length of the beam

$$\delta_{\max} = \frac{wL^4}{384EI}$$



FEA of railing for the x-axis as simply supported beams with fixed ends at both sides

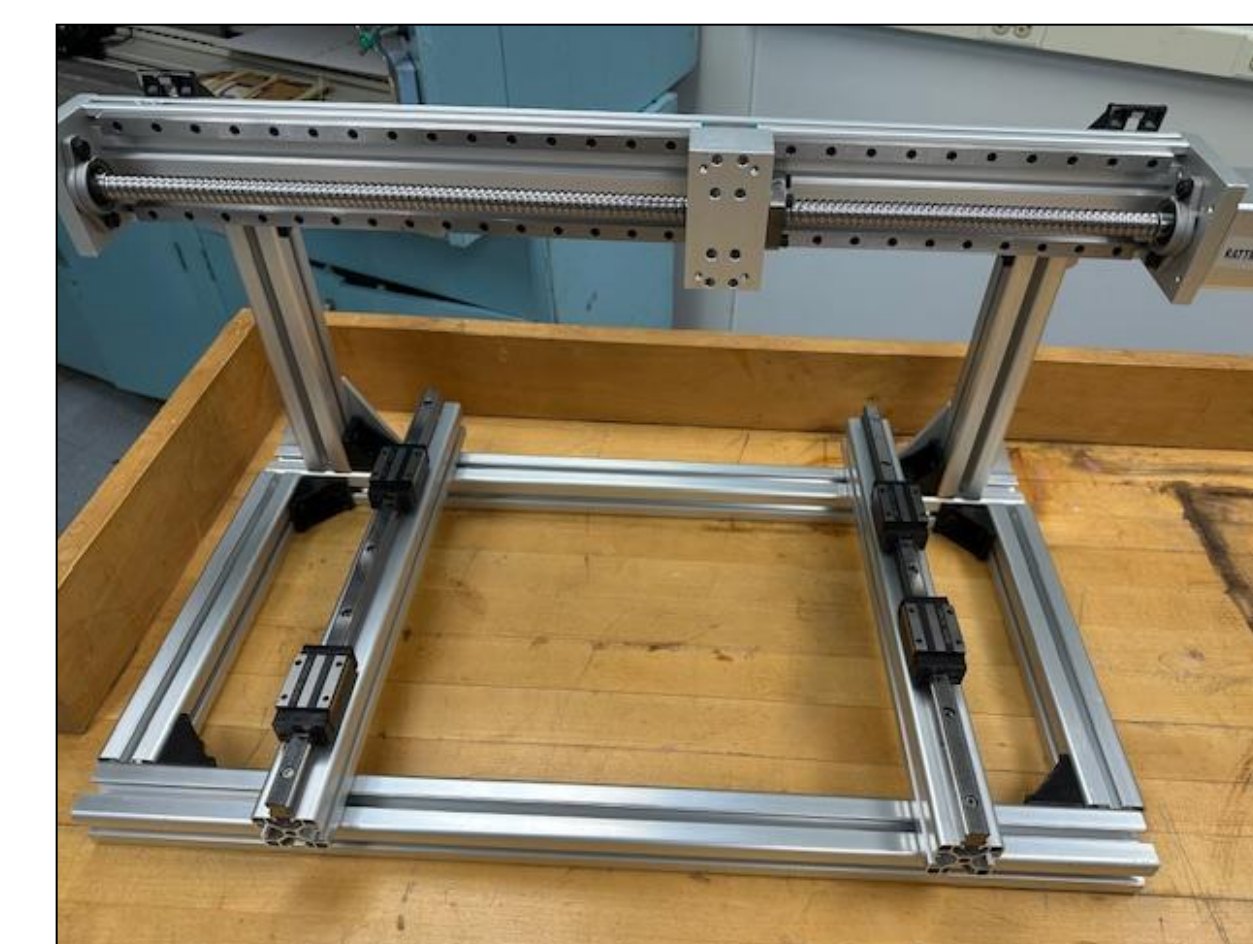


FEA of scanning bed pinned on both ends and the middle to simulate support of the linear guide rails and Zaber linear stage to withstand 44.9 lbs

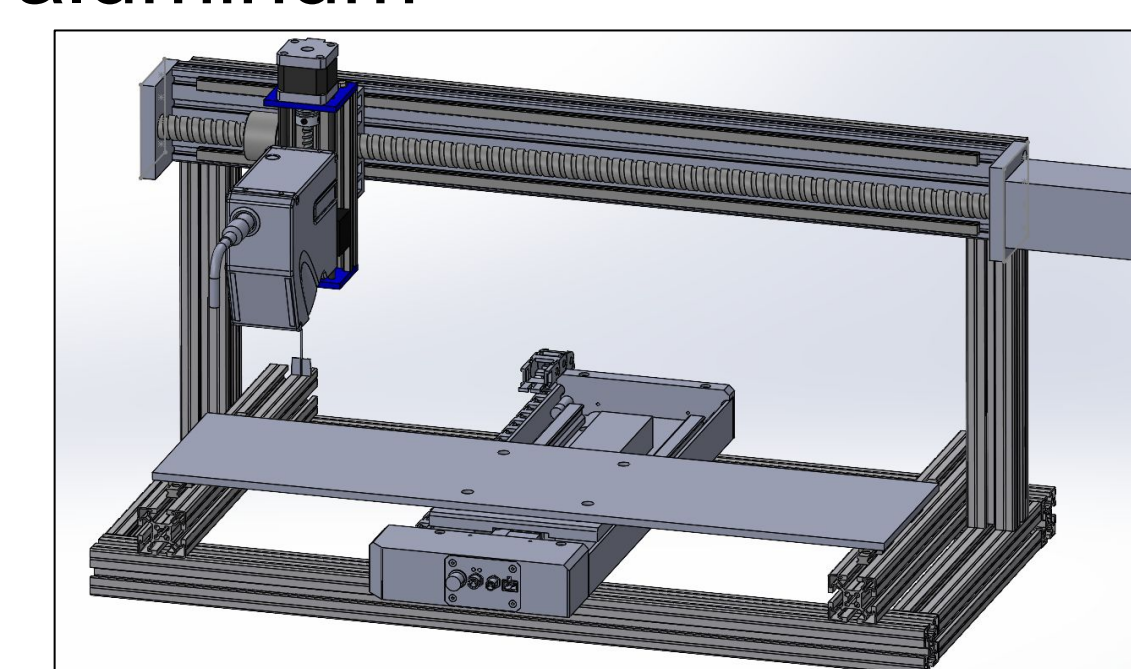
Prototype & Test Results

Prototype Tests:

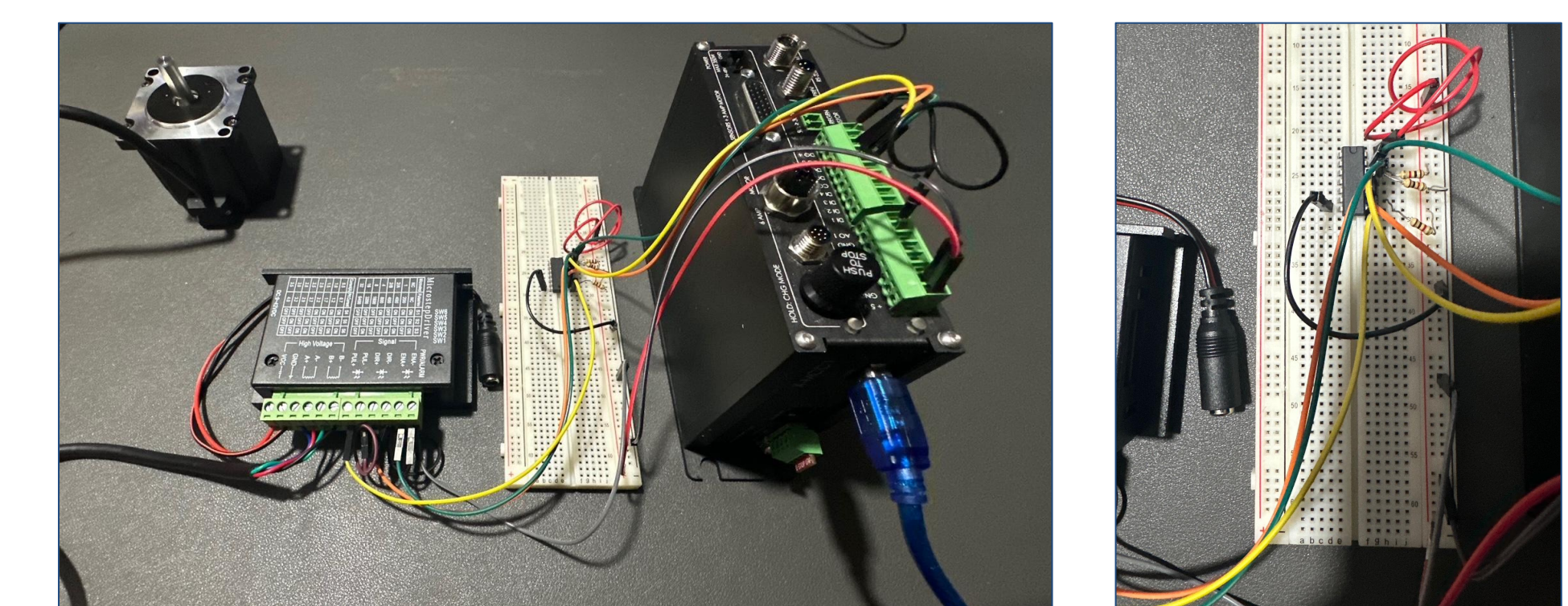
- Linear movement across the x, y, and z axis
- Movement and carrying capacity of at least 20 samples for each type of fracture test
- Successful scan of each sample type



Fabrication: Prototype materials consists of aluminum extrusions, ball screw linear actuators, linear guide rails, stepper motors, stepper motor driver, and machined aluminum



First iteration CAD for multi-sample laser profilometer



Electronic circuitry for x-axis linear movement using the Zaber controller used by NSWC