

# Carapace

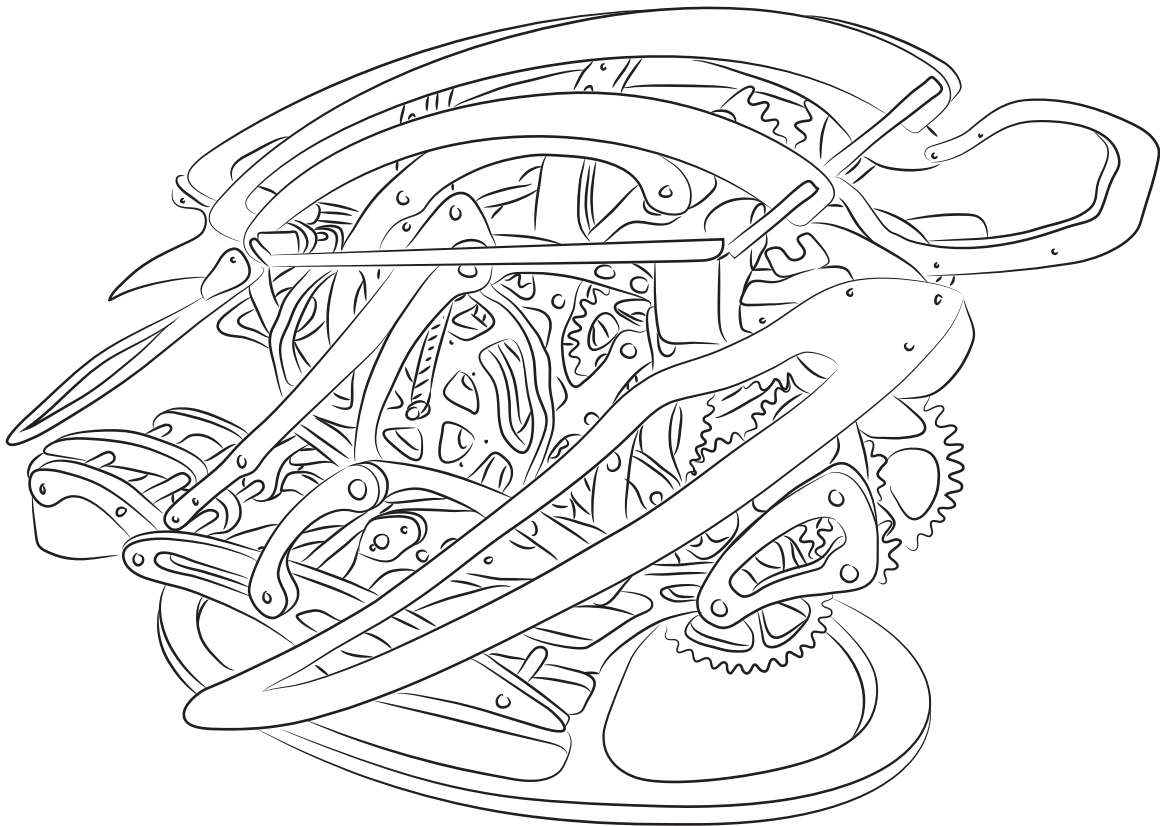
an organic motion sculpture

## sample

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Verify that all hardware or equivalents are obtainable prior to purchasing these plans.



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# The Basics

## Contents

These plans include all the information required to build Carapace. They provide an outline of the build process, tips for an accurate and successful build, lists of required tools and off-the-shelf components, a complete parts list, full scale patterns for all plywood parts, and step-by-step assembly instructions.

## Before Building

Read and understand all instructions before building. Failure to do so will lead to increased frustration levels, lengthened build times, wasted material, and other vexing occurrences.

## Build Process

Always wear eye protection and any other necessary personal protective gear. Read, understand, and abide by all manufacturer instructions and warnings for all tools used.

1. Use a light duty/general purpose spray adhesive to temporarily bond the patterns to plywood. Apply the adhesive evenly and sparingly.
2. Drill the holes first, and then cut out the parts. Hole alignment between parts is critical to proper function, so care must be taken to drill the holes accurately. Take time to cut out the parts accurately. An accurately cut part will require less sanding and less modification later.
3. Remove the patterns from the cut plywood parts, and then sand the parts to remove rough edges and any residual adhesive.
4. Following the assembly instructions, build all subassemblies and then the Top Level Assembly. While assembling, cut and tap all aluminum tubes, brass tubes, and stainless steel as required. See Plywood Thickness Compensation in Tips + Tactics.
6. If desired, disassemble Carapace to finish its components. Note that stain and other finish options can affect the thickness of parts and may also affect friction levels between moving parts.

## Notes

When printing the patterns, always print at 100% scale. Do not use the “scale to fit page” option.

Carapace contains many moving wood parts as well as wood parts that stack onto one another. As such, using a quality, flat Baltic birch plywood is very important. Cheaper, lower quality plywood, such as types often found at home improvement stores like Home Depot, can be warped and knotted.

Changing humidity levels can cause wood parts to swell and move. Some binding or changes in performance may occur with changes in humidity. As humidity levels return to normal, so too should the system’s performance.

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# Tools

## Power Tools

## General

## Drivers

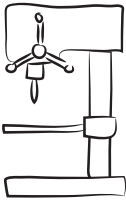
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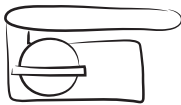
bandsaw



scroll saw



drill press



belt/disc sander



brad point drill index  
1/16" to 1/2"  
in 1/64" increments



drill bit #29\*



tap 8-32\*



spade or forstner bits  
7/8", 1-1/4"



hacksaw



clamps



calipers



precision files



phillips #1



hex 0.035"  
5/64"

## Supplies



sandpaper



spray adhesive

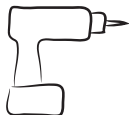


wood glue

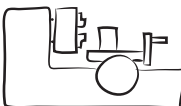
Recommended  
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mini chop saw



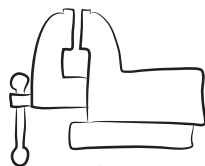
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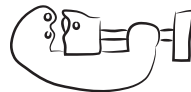
metal lathe



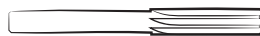
cnc router\*\*



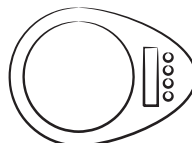
vice



tube cutter



reamers  
0.0650", 0.1280", 0.2530"



kitchen scale or balance

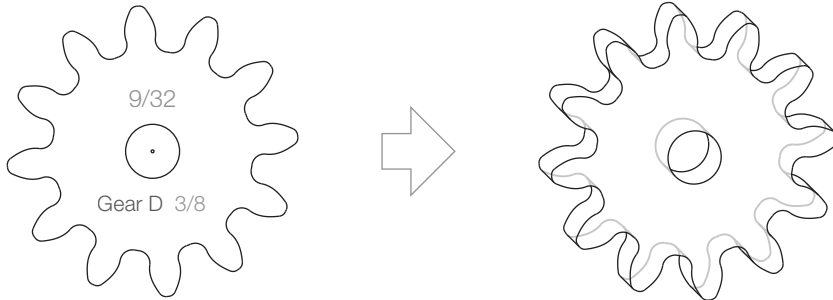
- \* For drilling and tapping into stainless steel, cobalt steel drill bits and taps are required.
- \*\* A CNC router is an optional replacement for the bandsaw and scroll saw for cutting the plywood parts.

# Tips + Tactics

## Pattern Syntax

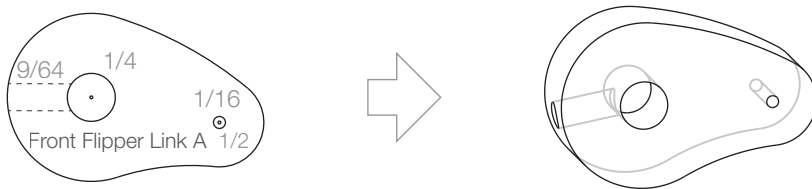
Patterns are labeled with a part name followed by a thickness dimension.

Example: Gear D is cut from  $\frac{3}{8}$ " plywood. It also has a hole to be drilled thru with a  $\frac{9}{32}$ " bit.



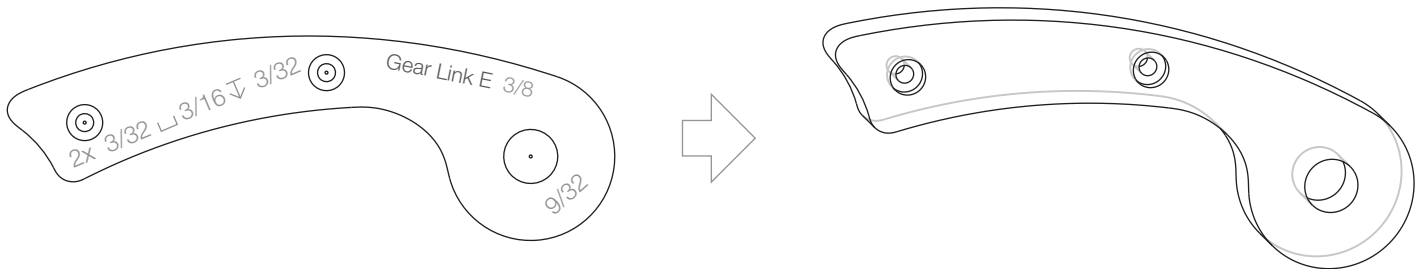
Straight dashed lines indicate a hole drilled from the side, centered on the thickness of the part.

Example: Front Flipper Link A has a  $\frac{9}{64}$ " hole drilled from the side. It also has a  $\frac{1}{16}$ " thru hole and a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " thru hole drilled from the front.



Two concentric circles indicate a hole with a counterbore.

Example: Gear Link E has two  $\frac{3}{32}$ " holes, each with a  $\frac{3}{16}$ " counterbore drilled  $\frac{3}{32}$ " deep. It also has a  $\frac{9}{32}$ " thru hole.



Two concentric circles with a dotted outer circle indicate a hole with a counterbore drilled from the back side of the part. The hole callout will also say "(back)" next to it.

Example: See Moving Frame B (too large to show on this page).

When a part name is followed by "(back)", this indicates the part is shown from its back side.

Example: See Moving Frame A (too large to show on this page).



# Tips + Tactics

## Plywood Thickness Compensation

The exact thickness of plywood is typically thinner than the plywood's specification. For example, 1/4" plywood may actually measure 0.23" thick. Because of this, it may be necessary to adjust the lengths of many of Carapace's metal components. To save time and reduce the reworking of metal parts, cut the metal parts after cutting and measuring the thickness of their mating wood parts.

## Tapping

Many of Carapace's metal tubes must be tapped for an 8-32 thread. Expand the 0.12" inner diameter holes with a #29 drill bit before tapping the threads. When tapping the stainless steel tubes, **cobalt steel** drill bits and taps must be used. Standard HSS drill bits and taps that are found at most hardware stores are not hard enough to cut stainless steel, and they will likely dull and break when used on stainless steel.

When tapping the metal tubes, use plenty of lubricant. Never force the tap; if it feels like it's going to break, it probably will. For every 1/2 to 3/4 turn the tap advances into the metal tube, back it out about 1/4 turn. Repeat this process until the tube is threaded to the desired depth - advance a bit, then back out a bit, advance a bit, then back out a bit.

## Hypocycloid Tuning

Carapace has two sets of hypocycloid reducers, and each component of those two sets must be cut accurately in order to function properly. Virtually no force is required to drive the Hypocycloid Gears or their mating Cam Wheel assemblies when they are built properly. If any part of a hypocycloid reduction system is binding or if unnecessary friction is occurring, do the following:

- Ensure the holes for the Rods were drilled accurately. Position and perpendicularity are both important for minimizing friction and binding.
- Ensure the outer profile of the Hypocycloid Gear is smooth and accurately cut, with no bumps or divots.
- If a hypocycloid cam does not rotate freely within its hypocycloid gear, evenly sand the perimeter surface of the hypocycloid cam until it can rotate freely. Do not over sand, as doing so can lead to a significant amount of play in the system, which can affect the timing of the moving components.
- If the Cam Stack Asm's rods are binding or causing unnecessary friction with its mating hypocycloid gear, evenly sand the four outer holes of the hypocycloid gear until the binding stops. Do not over sand, as doing so can lead to a significant amount of play in the system, which can affect the timing of the moving components.

## Assembly Tuning + Friction

Through most of Carapace's motion cycle, roughly 1 - 2 in-lbs of torque is required to turn the Crank Wheel and drive the system. At certain times, particularly when it is moving upward, a torque of 3 - 3.5 in-lbs may be required. However, turning the Crank Wheel must never require more than 4 in-lbs of torque. If it does, there may be some binding or excessive friction in the system. Reduce the torque needed to drive the system by ensuring that:

- all bearings are free to rotate without binding.
- all wooden surfaces that contact bearings are smooth and free of bumps and divots.
- all gears mesh smoothly.
- all hypocycloid components rotate freely. See Hypocycloid Tuning in Tips + Tactics.
- stainless steel rods and tubes and aluminum tubes rotate freely inside their mating brass tubes.
- the Extension Spring is properly installed.
- an appropriate mass is used for the counterweight. See Weight of the Counterweight in Tips + Tactics.
- all linkages can move freely without binding.

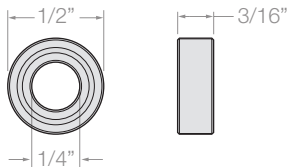
# Parts + Assemblies List

Type	Description	Qty	Type	Description	Qty	Type	Description	Qty
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 11/32" Cored	1	Plywood 1/8"	Front Flipper	2	Plywood 1/2"	Counterweight Arm	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 1/2"	8	Plywood 1/8"	Gear Link D	1	Plywood 1/2"	Front Flipper Beam	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 5/8"	1	Plywood 1/8"	Head Cam Spacer	1	Plywood 1/2"	Front Flipper Link A	2
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 3/4"	4	Plywood 1/8"	Head Gear Spacer	1	Plywood 1/2"	Front Flipper Mount Left	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 7/8"	8	Plywood 1/8"	Peau Spacer Thin	1	Plywood 1/2"	Front Flipper Mount Right	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 1-3/16"	1	Plywood 1/8"	Rear Flipper	2	Plywood 1/2"	Front Flipper Bearing Block Left	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 1-1/4"	2	Plywood 1/8"	Rear Flipper Cam Follower Spacer	1	Plywood 1/2"	Front Flipper Bearing Block Right	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 1-1/4" Pivot	2	Plywood 1/8"	Shell Spacer A	2	Plywood 1/2"	Gear A Spacer	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 1-5/16"	1	Plywood 1/8"	Shell Spacer B	2	Plywood 1/2"	Gear BC Spacer	2
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 1-1/2"	3				Plywood 1/2"	Gear G	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 2-3/8"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Front Flipper Link B	2	Plywood 1/2"	Gear Link A Spacer	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 2-1/2"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Front Flipper Link B Spacer	2	Plywood 1/2"	Gear Link B	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 2-7/8"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Front Flipper Link C	2	Plywood 1/2"	Head Gear Link	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 3"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Front Flipper Support Left	1	Plywood 1/2"	Hypocycloid AB Cam	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 3-3/8"	6	Plywood 1/4"	Front Flipper Support Right	1	Plywood 1/2"	Hypocycloid Gear C Cam	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 3-1/2"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Gear B Spacer Thin	1	Plywood 1/2"	Lift Cam	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 3-5/8"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Gear EF Spacer	1	Plywood 1/2"	Peau Link Right B	1
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 5-1/2"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Gear F	1	Plywood 1/2"	Pivot Block	2
Aluminum Tube	A Tube 6-7/8"	2	Plywood 1/4"	Gear Link A	1	Plywood 1/2"	Rear Flipper Mount Left	1
			Plywood 1/4"	Gear Link C	1	Plywood 1/2"	Rear Flipper Mount Right	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 3/32" x 1/4"	6	Plywood 1/4"	Head A	1	Plywood 1/2"	Shoulder Pivot	2
Brass Tube	B Tube 3/32" x 3/4"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Head Cam Follower	1	Plywood 1/2"	Tilt Cam	1
			Plywood 1/4"	Head Cam Follower Spacer	1	Plywood 1/2"	Weight Support	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 5/32" x 11/16	1	Plywood 1/4"	Head D	1			
Brass Tube	B Tube 5/32" x 33/40"	2	Plywood 1/4"	Head Gear	1	Subassembly	Cam Stack Asm	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 5/32" x 1"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Head Spacer A	1	Subassembly	Frame AB Asm	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 5/32" x 1-1/16"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Head Spacer B	1	Subassembly	Frame CD Asm	1
			Plywood 1/4"	Hypocycloid Gear A	1	Subassembly	Front Flipper Beam Asm	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 9/32" x 1/8"	2	Plywood 1/4"	Hypocycloid Gear C	1	Subassembly	Front Flipper Left Asm	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 9/32" x 1/4"	24	Plywood 1/4"	Moving Frame A	1	Subassembly	Front Flipper Link A Left Asm	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 9/32" x 5/16"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Moving Frame B	1	Subassembly	Front Flipper Link A Right Asm	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 9/32" x 3/8"	13	Plywood 1/4"	Peau Link Left A	1	Subassembly	Front Flipper Link B Left Asm	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 9/32" x 1/2"	7	Plywood 1/4"	Peau Link Left G	1	Subassembly	Front Flipper Link B Right Asm	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 9/32" x 5/8"	3	Plywood 1/4"	Peau Link Right Left C	2	Subassembly	Front Flipper Link C Asm	2
Brass Tube	B Tube 9/32" x 3/4"	2	Plywood 1/4"	Peau Link Right Left D	3	Subassembly	Front Flipper Right Asm	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 9/32" x 7/8"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Peau Link Right Left F	2	Subassembly	Gear B Asm	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 9/32" x 1"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Peau Link Right A1	1	Subassembly	Gear C Asm	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 9/32" x 1-7/16"	4	Plywood 1/4"	Peau Link Right A2	1	Subassembly	Gear D Asm	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 9/32" x 1-7/8"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Peau Link Right A3	1	Subassembly	Gear EF Asm	1
Brass Tube	B Tube 9/32" x 3-5/8"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Peau Link Right B Support	1	Subassembly	Gear H Asm	1
			Plywood 1/4"	Peau Link Right E1	1	Subassembly	Gear Link A Asm	1
Stainless Steel Tube	S Tube 1-1/16"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Peau Link Right E2	1	Subassembly	Gear Link B Asm	1
Stainless Steel Tube	S Tube 1-3/8"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Peau Link Right G1	1	Subassembly	Gear Link CD Asm	1
Stainless Steel Tube	S Tube 2-1/8"	2	Plywood 1/4"	Peau Link Right G2	1	Subassembly	Gear Link EF Asm	1
			Plywood 1/4"	Peau Spacer Thick	1	Subassembly	Head Asm	1
Stainless Steel Rod	Rod 1/16" x 7/16"	10	Plywood 1/4"	Rear Flipper Cam Follower	1	Subassembly	Head Cam Follower Asm	1
Stainless Steel Rod	Rod 1/16" x 5/8"	44	Plywood 1/4"	Shell A	1	Subassembly	Head Gear Asm	1
Stainless Steel Rod	Rod 1/16" x 3/4"	2	Plywood 1/4"	Shell B	2	Subassembly	Hypocycloid AB Cam Asm	1
Stainless Steel Rod	Rod 1/16" x 13/16"	2	Plywood 1/4"	Shell C	2	Subassembly	Hypocycloid Gear Asm	1
Stainless Steel Rod	Rod 1/16" x 7/8"	4	Plywood 1/4"	Shell D Left	1	Subassembly	Lift Cam Asm	1
Stainless Steel Rod	Rod 1/16" x 15/16"	2	Plywood 1/4"	Shell D Right	1	Subassembly	Lower Frame A Asm	1
Stainless Steel Rod	Rod 1/16" x 1-1/4"	1	Plywood 1/4"	Shell Front	1	Subassembly	Lower Frame B Asm	1
			Plywood 1/4"	Shell Rear	1	Subassembly	Moving Frame A Asm	1
Stainless Steel Rod	Rod 1/8" x 2-3/8"	2	Plywood 1/4"	Upper Frame B	1	Subassembly	Moving Frame Asm	1
Stainless Steel Rod	Rod 1/8" x 4-1/8"	1				Subassembly	Moving Frame B Asm	1
			Plywood 3/8"	Base	1	Subassembly	Peau Link Left A Asm	1
Steel/Stainless Steel/Brass	Counterweight	1	Plywood 3/8"	Crank Wheel	1	Subassembly	Peau Link Left B Asm	1
			Plywood 3/8"	Front Flipper Link Mount	2	Subassembly	Peau Link Left C Asm	1
Hardware	Bearing	10	Plywood 3/8"	Gear A	1	Subassembly	Peau Link Left G Asm	1
Hardware	Extension Spring	1	Plywood 3/8"	Gear B	1	Subassembly	Peau Link Right Left D Asm	3
Hardware	LSHCS 8-32 x 1/4"	34	Plywood 3/8"	Gear C	1	Subassembly	Peau Link Right Left F Asm	2
Hardware	LSHCS 8-32 x 3/8"	14	Plywood 3/8"	Gear D	1	Subassembly	Peau Link Right A Asm	1
Hardware	LSHCS 8-32 x 1/2"	20	Plywood 3/8"	Gear E	1	Subassembly	Peau Link Right B Asm	1
Hardware	LSHCS 8-32 x 5/8"	13	Plywood 3/8"	Gear H	1	Subassembly	Peau Link Right C Asm	1
Hardware	LSHCS 8-32 x 3/4"	5	Plywood 3/8"	Gear I	1	Subassembly	Peau Link Right E Asm	1
Hardware	Magnet	4	Plywood 3/8"	Gear Link B Spacer	1	Subassembly	Peau Link Right G Asm	1
Hardware	Needle Bearing	7	Plywood 3/8"	Gear Link E	1	Subassembly	Peaucellier Linkage Asm	1
Hardware	Rod End	2	Plywood 3/8"	Gear Link F	1	Subassembly	Peaucellier Linkage Left Asm	1
Hardware	Screw #2 x 3/8"	10	Plywood 3/8"	Head B	1	Subassembly	Peaucellier Linkage Right Asm	1
Hardware	Screw #2 x 1/2"	50	Plywood 3/8"	Head C	1	Subassembly	Pivot Link Asm	2
Hardware	Screw #2 x 5/8"	52	Plywood 3/8"	Head Cam	1	Subassembly	Pivoting Flipper Left Asm	1
Hardware	Screw #2 x 3/4"	14	Plywood 3/8"	Hypocycloid Gear B	1	Subassembly	Pivoting Flipper Right Asm	1
Hardware	Set Screw 8-32 x 1/4"	19	Plywood 3/8"	Lower Frame A	1	Subassembly	Rear Flipper Left Asm	1
Hardware	Shaft Collar	4	Plywood 3/8"	Lower Frame B	1	Subassembly	Rear Flipper Right Asm	1
Hardware	Washer 1/4"	5	Plywood 3/8"	Lower Frame C	1	Subassembly	Shell A Asm	1
Hardware	Washer #8	50	Plywood 3/8"	Lower Frame D	1	Subassembly	Shoulder Pivot Asm	2
			Plywood 3/8"	Moving Frame B Support	1	Subassembly	Upper Frame Asm	1
			Plywood 3/8"	Peau Link Left B	1	Subassembly	Upper Frame B Asm	1
			Plywood 3/8"	Rear Flipper Cam	1	Subassembly	Weight Support Asm	1
			Plywood 3/8"	Rear Shell Connector Left	1			
			Plywood 3/8"	Rear Shell Connector Right	1	Top Level Asm	Carapace	1
			Plywood 3/8"	Tail Spacer A	1			
			Plywood 3/8"	Tail Spacer B	1			
			Plywood 3/8"	Tilt Hard Stop Support	1			
			Plywood 3/8"	Upper Frame A	1			

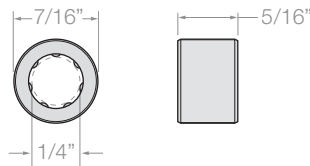
# Hardware

Description	Qty	McMaster Carr P/N *
Bearing (see image below)	10	57155K376
Extension Spring (see image below)	1	9654K618
LSHCS 8-32 x 1/4" Low Socket Head Cap Screw	34	93615A317
LSHCS 8-32 x 3/8" Low Socket Head Cap Screw	14	93615A315
LSHCS 8-32 x 1/2" Low Socket Head Cap Screw	20	93615A320
LSHCS 8-32 x 5/8" Low Socket Head Cap Screw	13	93615A321
LSHCS 8-32 x 3/4" Low Socket Head Cap Screw	5	93615A323
Magnet Neodymium, 2.5 lbs max pull, Ø1/4" x 1/4"	4	58605K75
Needle Bearing (see image below)	7	5905K21
Rod End (see image below)	2	60645K98
Screw #2 x 3/8" Pan Head Self Tapping Screw	10	92470A097
Screw #2 x 1/2" Pan Head Self Tapping Screw	50	92470A098
Screw #2 x 5/8" Pan Head Self Tapping Screw	52	92470A101
Screw #2 x 3/4" Pan Head Self Tapping Screw	14	92470A103
Set Screw 8-32 x 1/4"	19	92311A190
Shaft Collar (see image below)	4	6432K71
Washer 1/4"	5	98017A660
Washer #8	50	90107A010

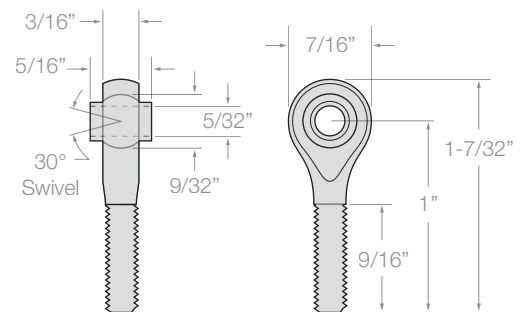
Bearing Double Shielded, ABEC-5



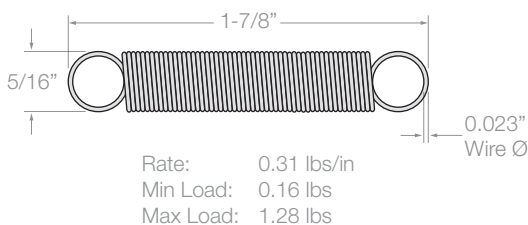
Needle Bearing Steel, Open Bearing Style



Rod End 8-32 Thread



Extension Spring with looped ends



Shaft Collar with Set Screw



Inner Ø 1/16"  
Outer Ø 1/4"  
Width 3/16"

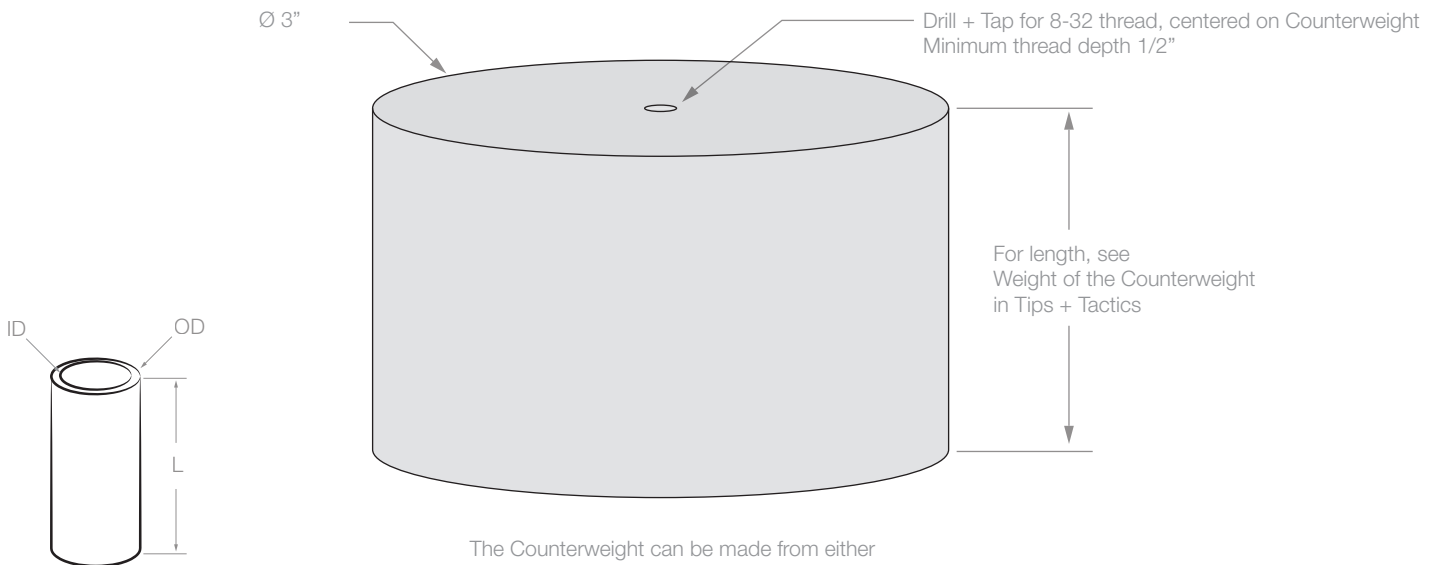
2-56 x 1/8" Set Screw

\* Part numbers referenced are from [www.mcmaster.com](http://www.mcmaster.com).

# Metal

## Brass Tubes, Counterweight

Description	OD x L *	ID	Qty	McMaster Carr P/N **	
B Tube 3/32" x 1/4"	3/32" x 1/4"	0.066"	6	8859K18	
B Tube 3/32" x 3/4"	3/32" x 3/4"	0.066"	1		
B Tube 5/32" x 11/16"	5/32" x 11/16"	0.128"	1	8859K21	
B Tube 5/32" x 33/40"	5/32" x 33/40"	0.128"	2		
B Tube 5/32" x 1"	5/32" x 1"	0.128"	1		
B Tube 5/32" x 1-1/16"	5/32" x 1-1/16"	0.128"	1		
B Tube 9/32" x 1/8"	9/32" x 1/8"	0.253"	2	8859K25	
B Tube 9/32" x 1/4"	9/32" x 1/4"	0.253"	24		
B Tube 9/32" x 5/16"	9/32" x 5/16"	0.253"	1		
B Tube 9/32" x 3/8"	9/32" x 3/8"	0.253"	13		
B Tube 9/32" x 1/2"	9/32" x 1/2"	0.253"	7		
B Tube 9/32" x 5/8"	9/32" x 5/8"	0.253"	3		
B Tube 9/32" x 3/4"	9/32" x 3/4"	0.253"	2		
B Tube 9/32" x 7/8"	9/32" x 7/8"	0.253"	1		
B Tube 9/32" x 1"	9/32" x 1"	0.253"	1		
B Tube 9/32" x 1-7/16"	9/32" x 1-7/16"	0.253"	4		
B Tube 9/32" x 1-7/8"	9/32" x 1-7/8"	0.253"	1		
B Tube 9/32" x 3-5/8"	9/32" x 3-5/8"	0.253"	1		
Counterweight <small>see image below</small>	3" x X"	-	1		Steel: 7786T36 Brass: 8953K511 Stainless Steel: 8984K71



OD outer diameter  
ID inner diameter  
L length

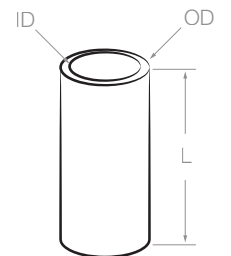
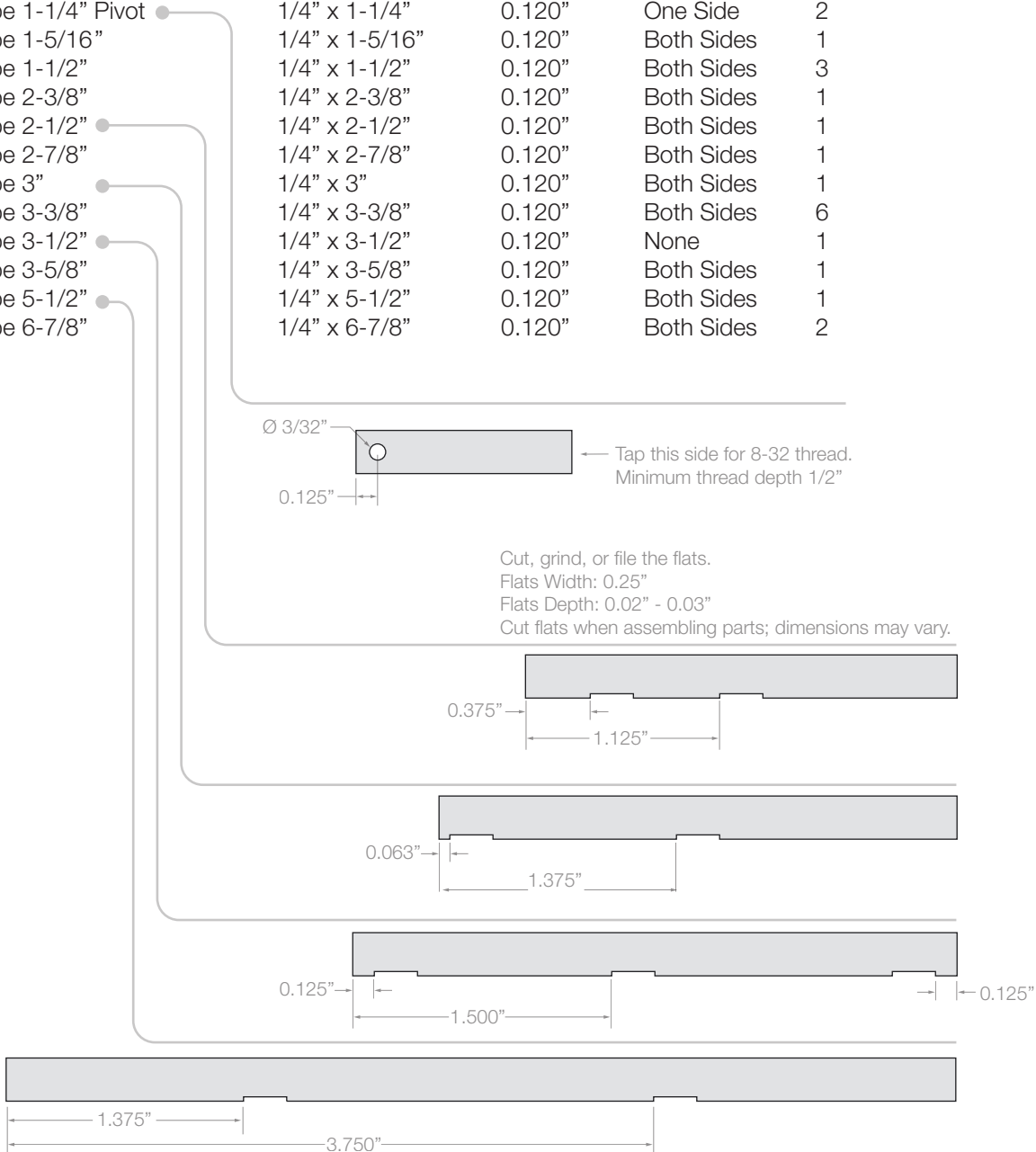
The Counterweight can be made from either Steel, Stainless Steel, or Brass. Brass is the easiest to cut, but the most expensive. The Steel listed is the lowest cost, but is more difficult to cut.

\* Due to variations in plywood thicknesses, required tube lengths may vary. See Plywood Thickness Compensation in Tips + Tactics.  
\*\* Part numbers referenced are from [www.mcmaster.com](http://www.mcmaster.com).

# Metal

## Aluminum Tubes

Description	OD x L *	ID	Tap**	Qty	McMaster Carr P/N ***
A Tube 11/32" Cored	1/4" x 11/32"	drill to 11/64"	None	1	89965K23
A Tube 1/2"	1/4" x 1/2"	0.120"	Thru	8	
A Tube 5/8"	1/4" x 5/8"	0.120"	None	1	
A Tube 3/4"	1/4" x 3/4"	0.120"	Thru	4	
A Tube 7/8"	1/4" x 7/8"	0.120"	Both Sides	8	
A Tube 1-3/16"	1/4" x 1-3/16"	0.120"	One Side	1	
A Tube 1-1/4"	1/4" x 1-1/4"	0.120"	Both Sides	2	
A Tube 1-1/4" Pivot	1/4" x 1-1/4"	0.120"	One Side	2	
A Tube 1-5/16"	1/4" x 1-5/16"	0.120"	Both Sides	1	
A Tube 1-1/2"	1/4" x 1-1/2"	0.120"	Both Sides	3	
A Tube 2-3/8"	1/4" x 2-3/8"	0.120"	Both Sides	1	
A Tube 2-1/2"	1/4" x 2-1/2"	0.120"	Both Sides	1	
A Tube 2-7/8"	1/4" x 2-7/8"	0.120"	Both Sides	1	
A Tube 3"	1/4" x 3"	0.120"	Both Sides	1	
A Tube 3-3/8"	1/4" x 3-3/8"	0.120"	Both Sides	6	
A Tube 3-1/2"	1/4" x 3-1/2"	0.120"	None	1	
A Tube 3-5/8"	1/4" x 3-5/8"	0.120"	Both Sides	1	
A Tube 5-1/2"	1/4" x 5-1/2"	0.120"	Both Sides	1	
A Tube 6-7/8"	1/4" x 6-7/8"	0.120"	Both Sides	2	



OD outer diameter  
 ID inner diameter  
 L length

\* Due to variations in plywood thicknesses, required tube lengths may vary.

\*\* When tapping, expand 0.120" tube ID with a #29 drill bit and then tap for 8-32 thread. Minimum thread depth: 3/8".

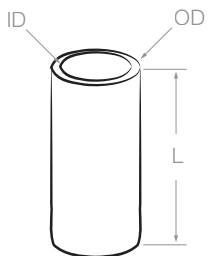
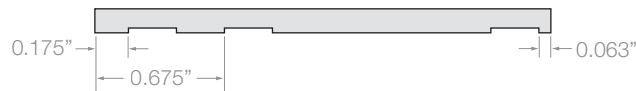
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# Metal

## Stainless Steel

Description	OD x L *	ID	Tap**	Qty	McMaster Carr P/N ***
S Tube 1-1/16"	1/4" x 1-1/16"	0.120"	Both Sides	1	89895K726
S Tube 1-3/8"	1/4" x 1-3/8"	0.120"	Both Sides	1	
S Tube 2-1/8"	1/4" x 2-1/8"	0.120"	One Side	2	
					8908K64
Rod 1/16" x 7/16"	1/16" x 7/16"	-	-	10	90145A418****
Rod 1/16" x 5/8"	1/16" x 5/8"	-	-	44	90145A421****
Rod 1/16" x 3/4"	1/16" x 3/4"	-	-	2	90145A422****
Rod 1/16" x 13/16"	1/16" x 13/16"	-	-	2	
Rod 1/16" x 7/8"	1/16" x 7/8"	-	-	4	90145A424****
Rod 1/16" x 15/16"	1/16" x 15/16"	-	-	2	
Rod 1/16" x 1-1/4"	1/16" x 1-1/4"	-	-	1	
Rod 1/8" x 2-3/8"	1/8" x 2-3/8"	-	-	2	8984K2
Rod 1/8" x 4-1/8"	1/8" x 4-1/8"	-	-	1	

Cut, grind, or file the flats.  
 Flats Width: 0.25"  
 Flats Depth: 0.02" - 0.03"



OD outer diameter  
 ID inner diameter  
 L length

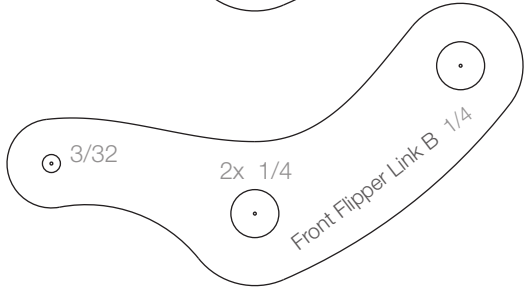
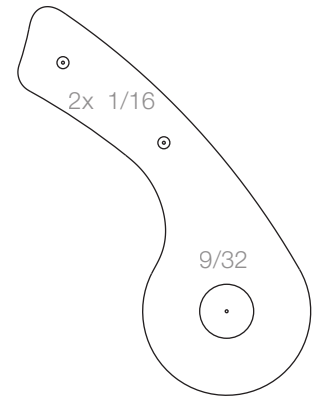
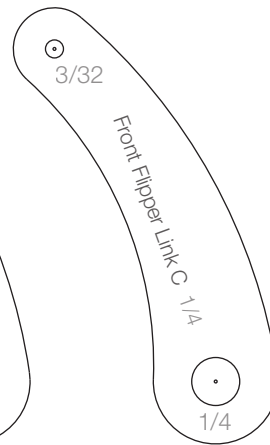
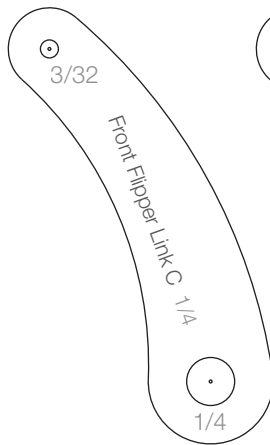
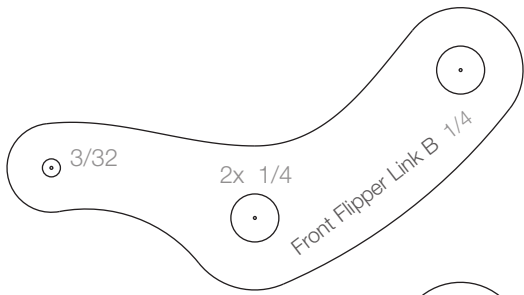
\* Due to variations in plywood thicknesses, required tube lengths may vary.

\*\* Expand 0.120" tube ID with a #29 drill bit and then tap for 8-32 thread. Minimum thread depth: 3/8". Cobalt Steel drill bit and tap required.

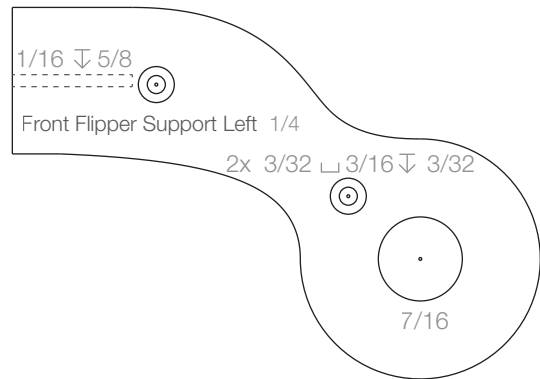
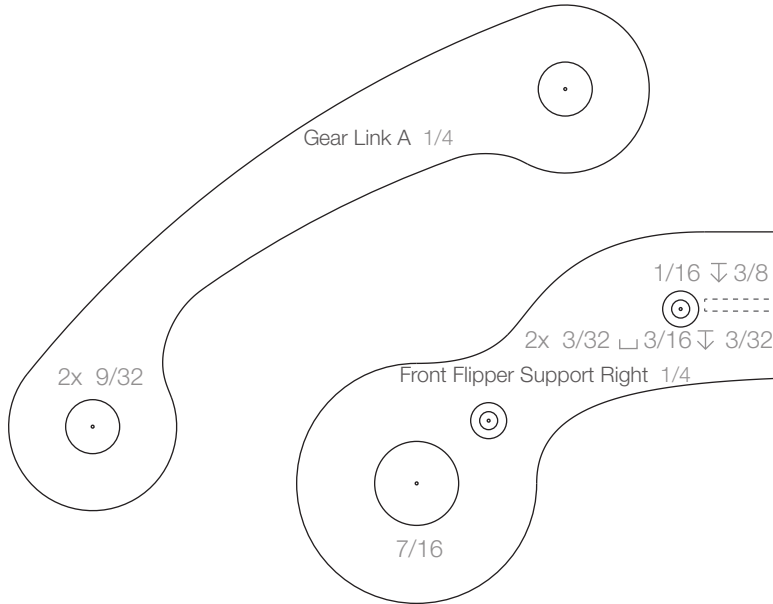
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\*\*\*\* To save the time of cutting these Rods manually, these parts are available as pre-cut dowel pins.

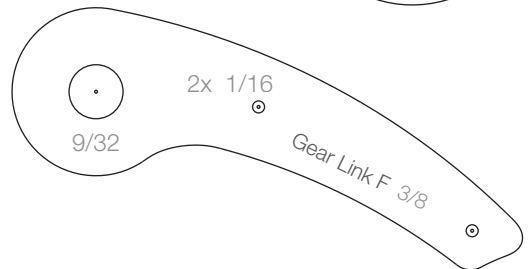
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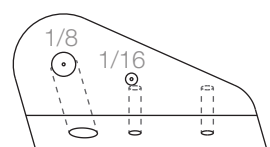
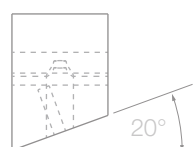
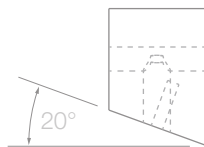
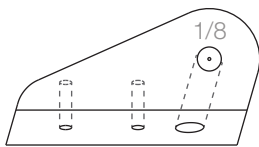
Gear Link C 1/4



Gear Link A 1/4



Gear Link F 3/8

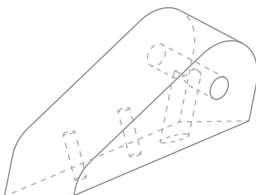


Rear Flipper Mount Left 1/2

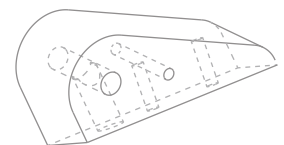
1x 9/64 (perpendicular to 1/8" hole)  
2x 1/16  $\downarrow$  1/4 (perpendicular to 20° cut)

Rear Flipper Mount Right (back) 1/2

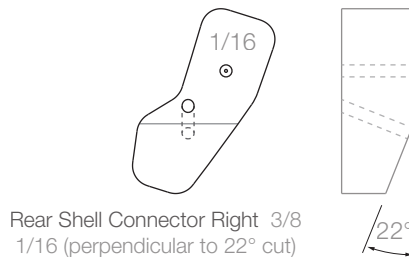
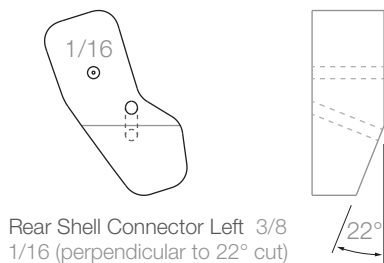
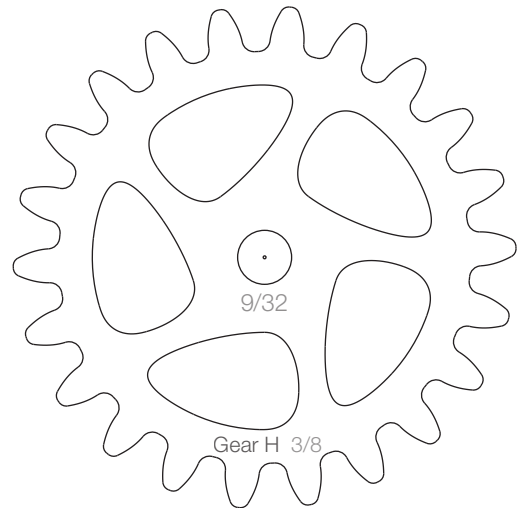
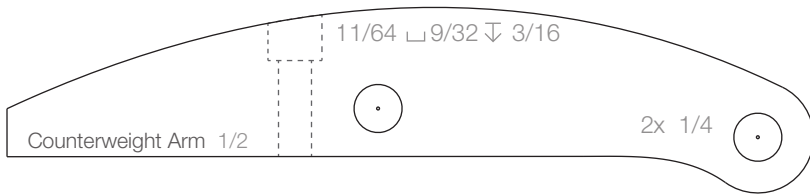
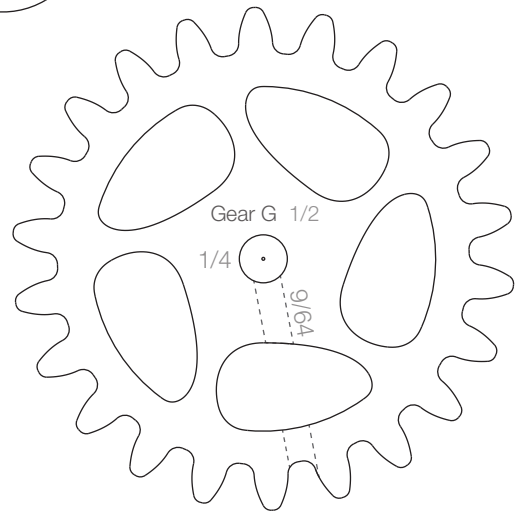
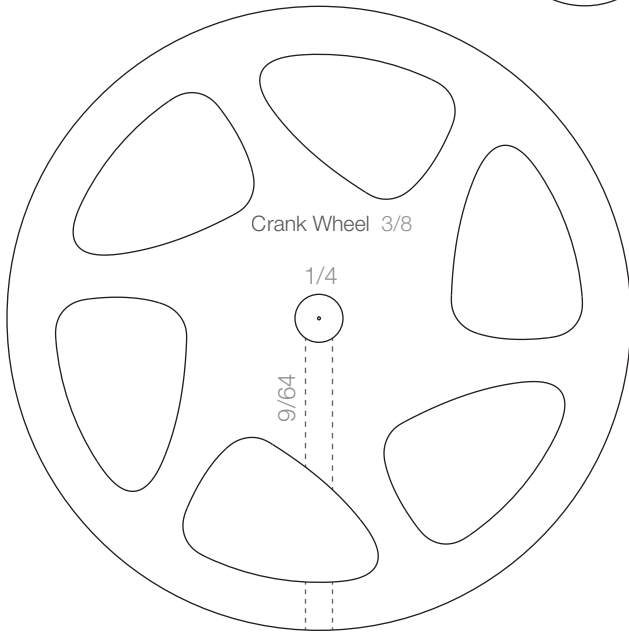
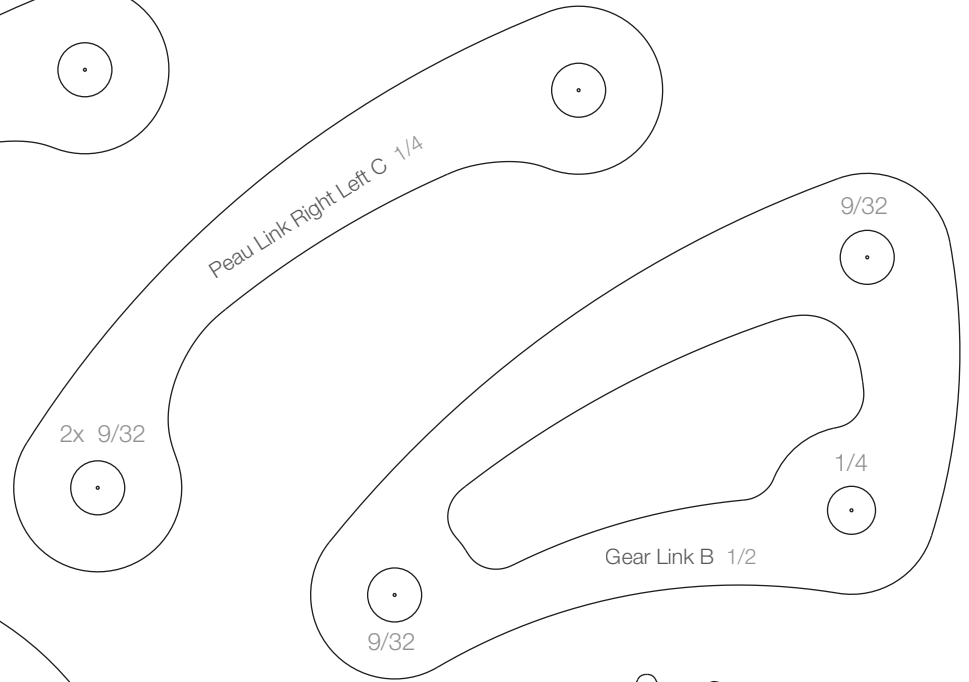
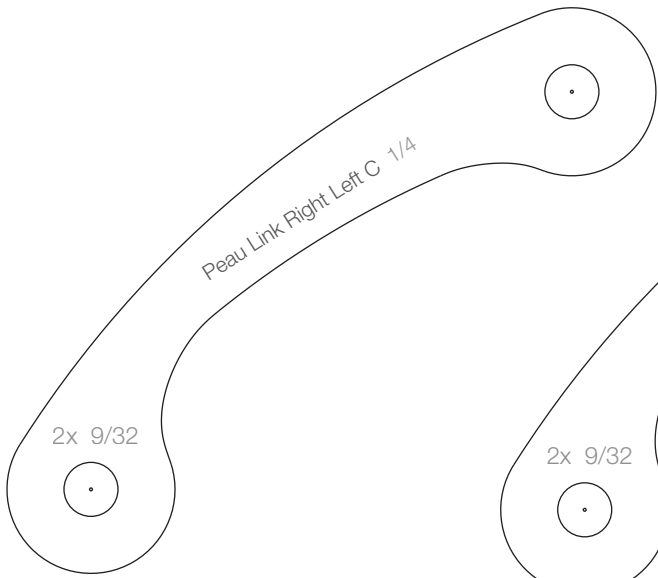
1x 9/64 (perpendicular to 1/8" hole)  
2x 1/16  $\downarrow$  1/4 (perpendicular to 20° cut)



Cut a 20° angle into Rear Flipper Mount Right and Rear Flipper Mount Left as shown. Pay close attention to each hole's orientation.

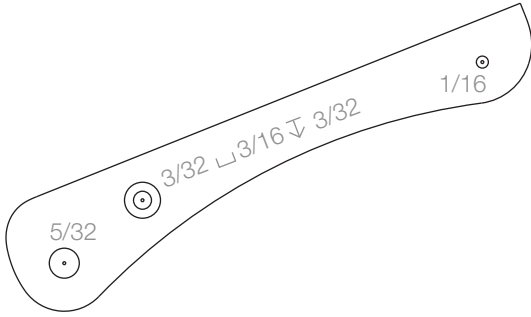


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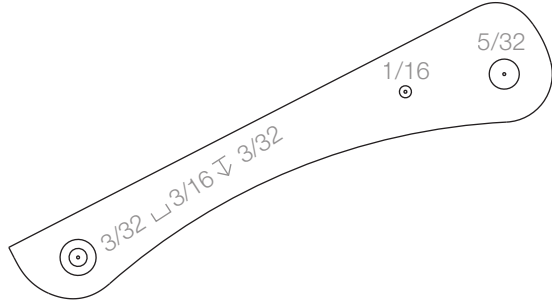




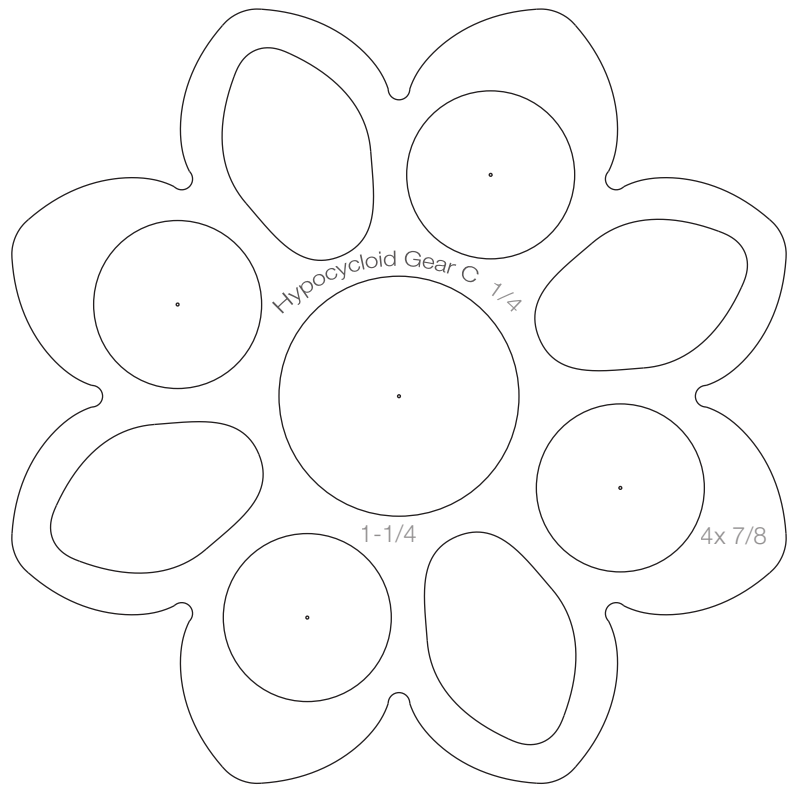
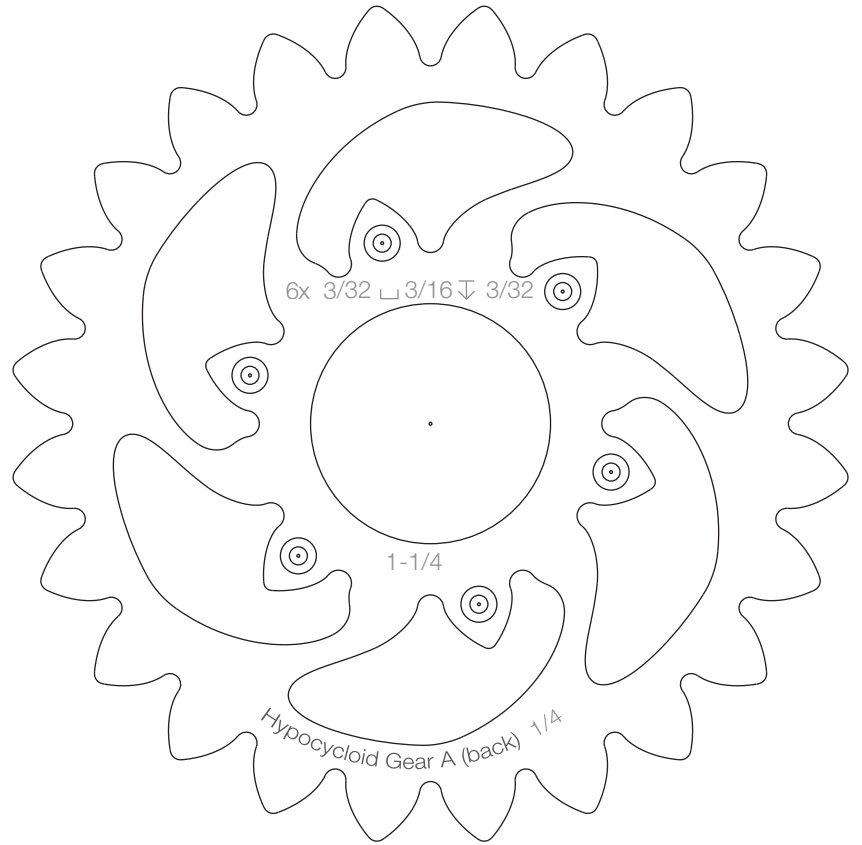
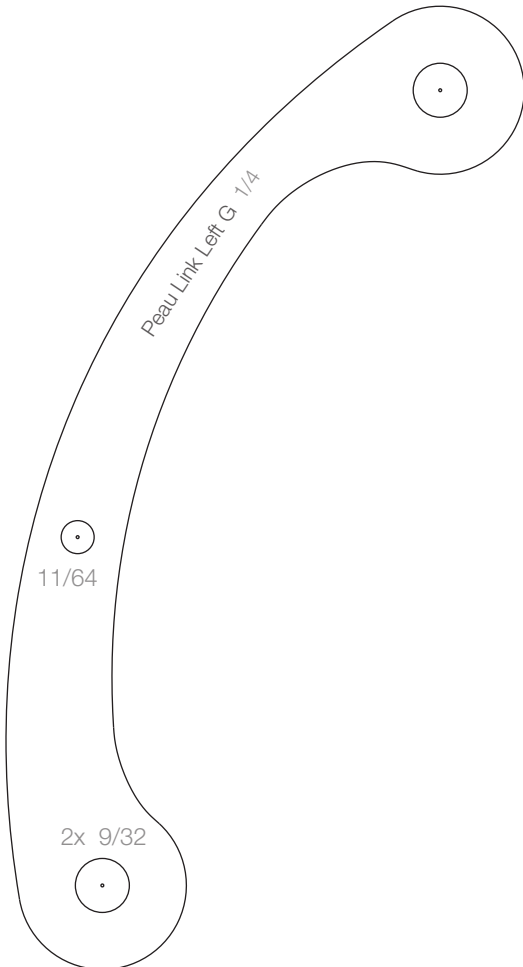
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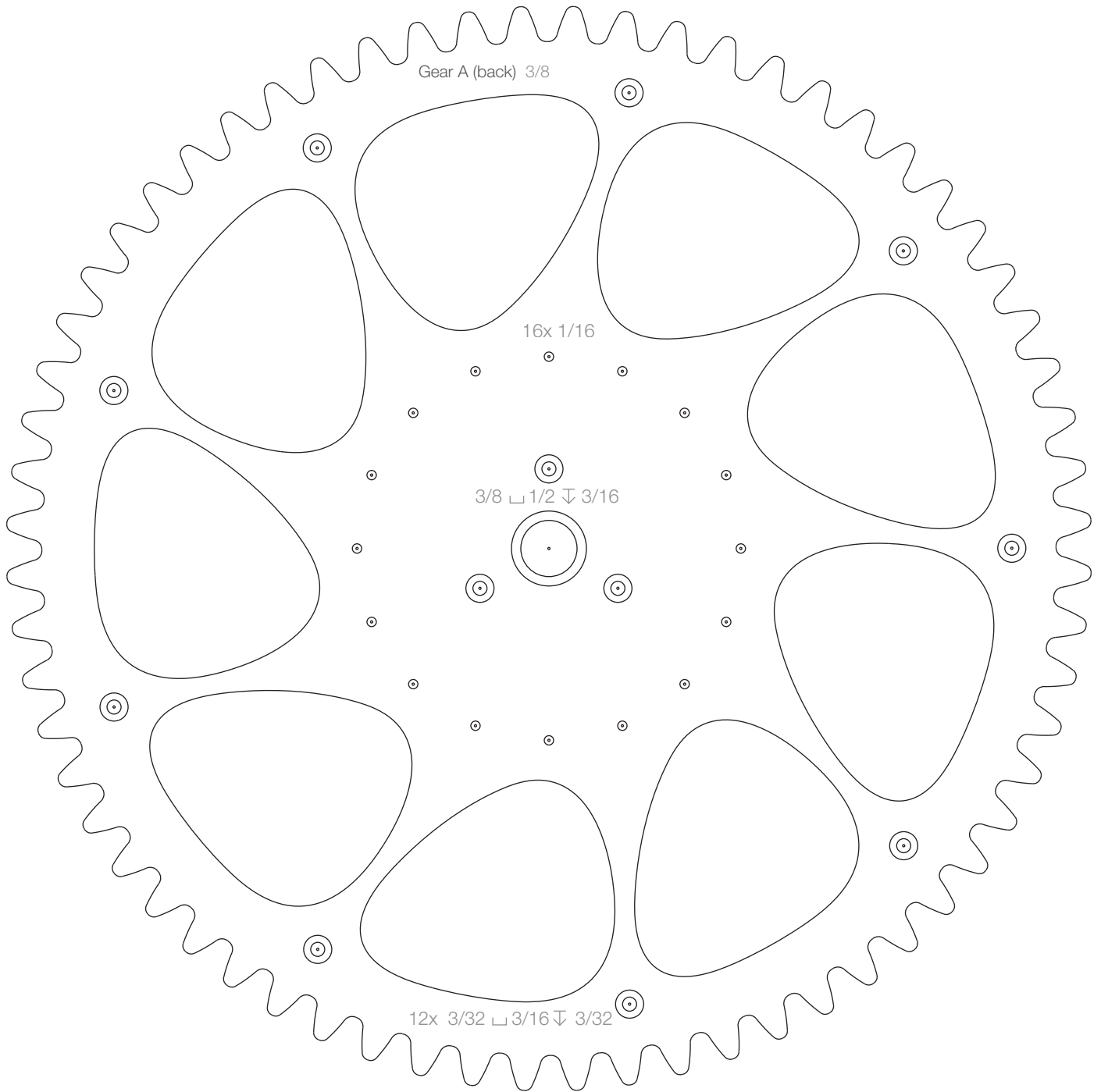
Tail Spacer A (back) 3/8



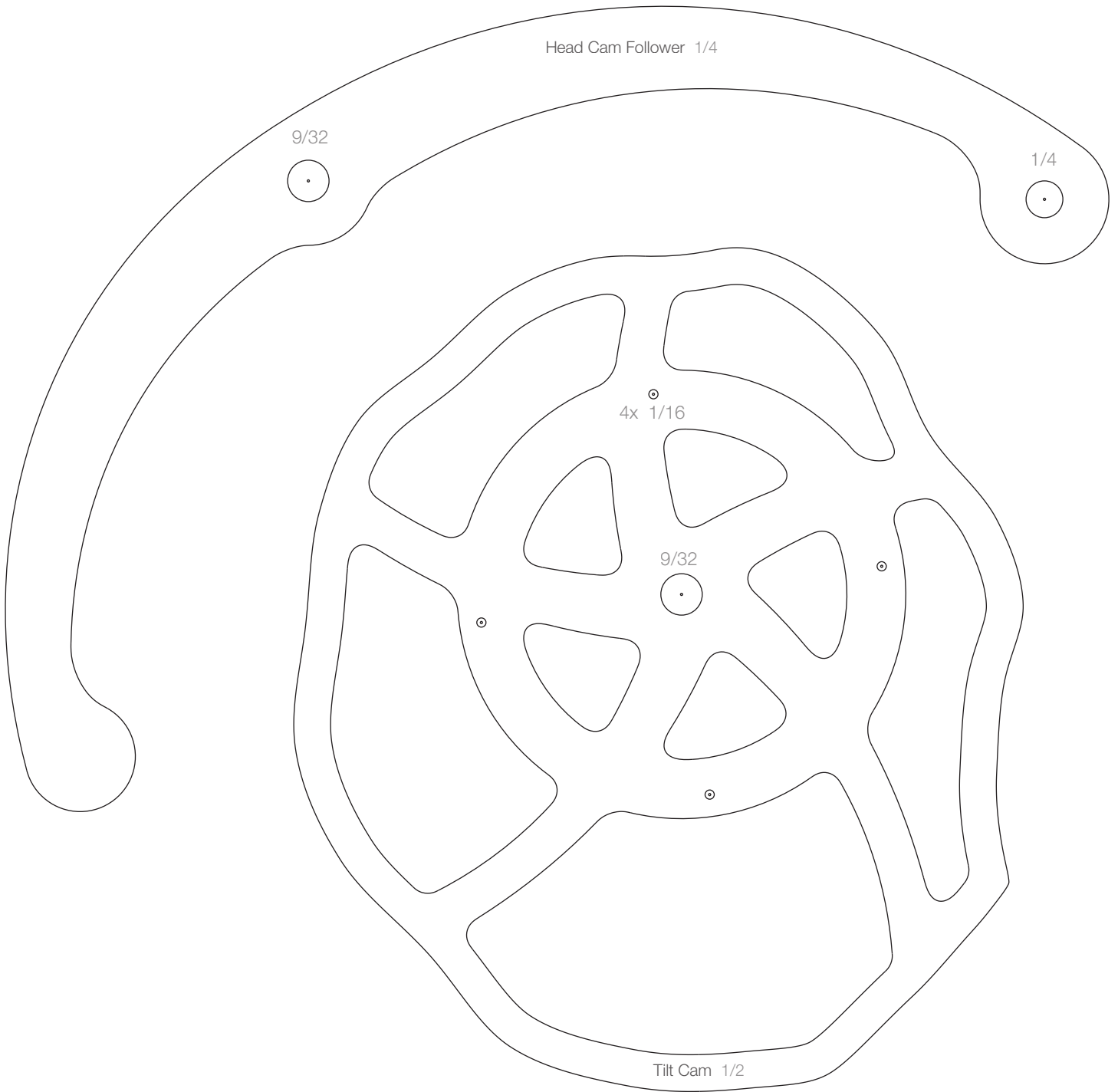
Tail Spacer B 3/8



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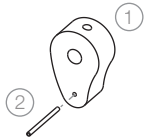


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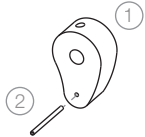
# Subassemblies

Steps 1, 2, 3, 4, 5



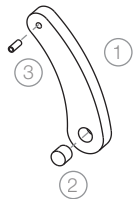
## Front Flipper Link A Left Asm

1	Front Flipper Link A	1x
2	Rod 1/16" x 15/16"	1x



## Front Flipper Link A Right Asm

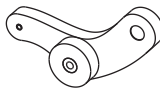
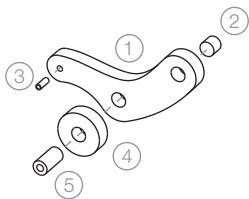
1	Front Flipper Link A	1x
2	Rod 1/16" x 15/16"	1x



## Front Flipper Link C Asm (2x)

1	Front Flipper Link C	1x
2	Magnet	1x
3	B Tube 3/32" x 1/4"	1x

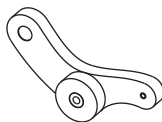
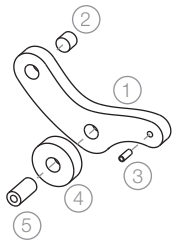
Magnet orientation matters; see Top Level Assembly Step 7.



## Front Flipper Link B Right Asm

1	Front Flipper Link B	1x
2	Magnet	1x
3	B Tube 3/32" x 1/4"	1x
4	Front Flipper Link B Spacer	1x
5	A Tube 1/2"	1x

Glue Front Flipper Link B Spacer to Front Flipper Link B. Magnet orientation matters; see Top Level Assembly Step 7.



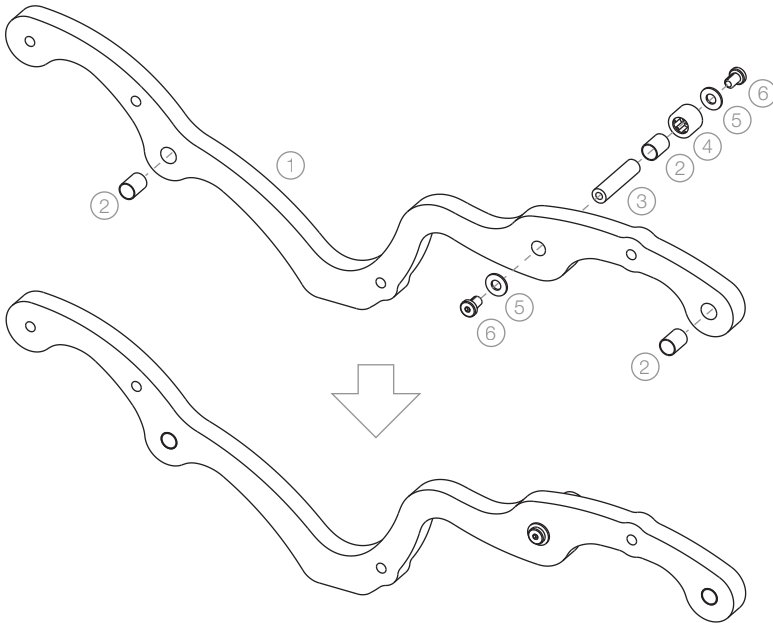
## Front Flipper Link B Left Asm

1	Front Flipper Link B	1x
2	Magnet	1x
3	B Tube 3/32" x 1/4"	1x
4	Front Flipper Link B Spacer	1x
5	A Tube 1/2"	1x

Glue Front Flipper Link B Spacer to Front Flipper Link B. Magnet orientation matters; see Top Level Assembly Step 7.

# Subassemblies

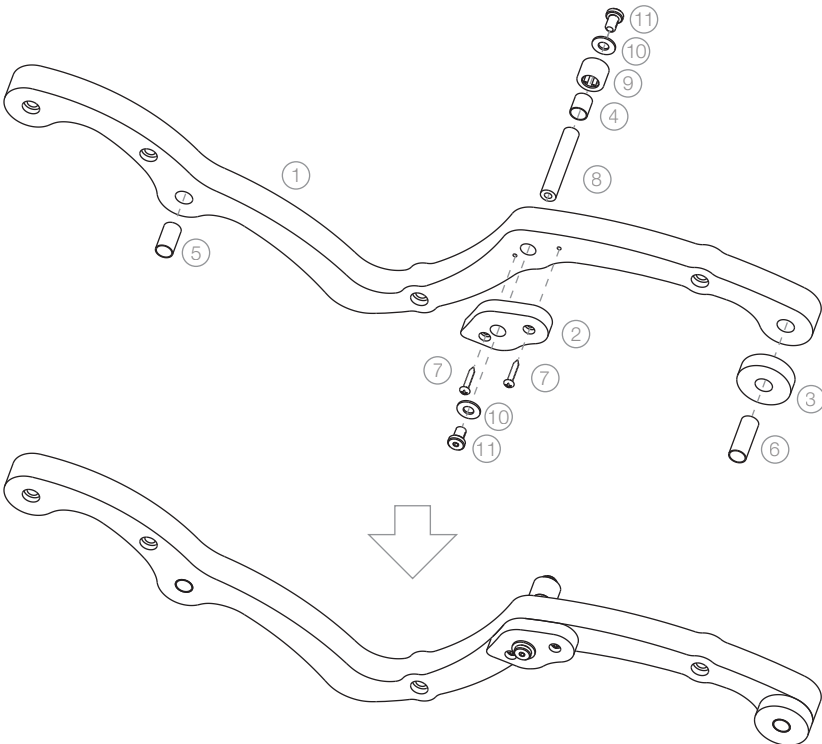
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## Peau Link Left B Asm

1	Peau Link Left B	1x
2	B Tube 9/32" x 3/8"	3x
3	S Tube 1-1/16"	1x
4	Needle Bearing	1x
5	Washer #8	2x
6	LSHCS 8-32 x 1/4"	2x

Needle bearing must spin freely on the S Tube and must not bind on the B Tube.



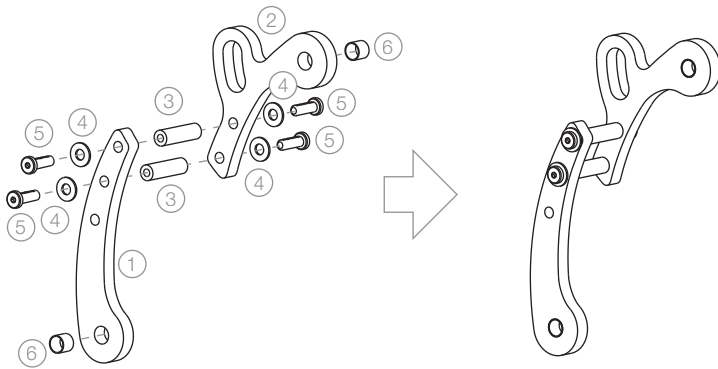
## Peau Link Right B Asm

1	Peau Link Right B	1x
2	Peau Link Right B Support	1x
3	Peau Spacer Thick	1x
4	B Tube 9/32" x 5/16"	1x
5	B Tube 9/32" x 1/2"	1x
6	B Tube 9/32" x 3/4"	1x
7	Screw #2 x 1/2"	2x
8	S Tube 1-3/8"	1x
9	Needle Bearing	1x
10	Washer #8	2x
11	LSHCS 8-32 x 1/4"	2x

Needle bearing must spin freely on the S Tube and must not bind on the B Tube.

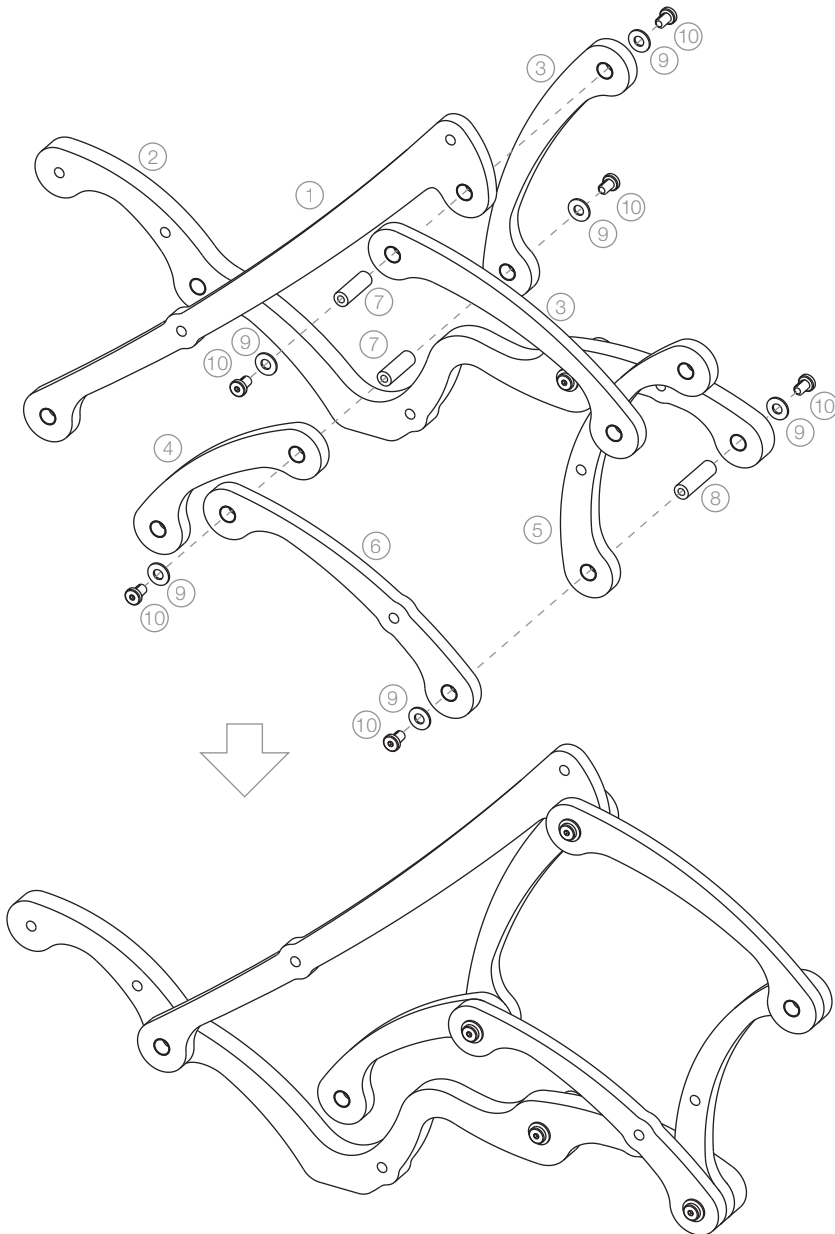
# Subassemblies

Steps 26, 27



## Peau Link Right G Asm

1	Peau Link Right G1	1x
2	Peau Link Right G2	1x
3	A Tube 7/8"	2x
4	Washer #8	4x
5	LSHCS 8-32 x 1/2"	4x
6	B Tube 9/32" x 1/4"	2x



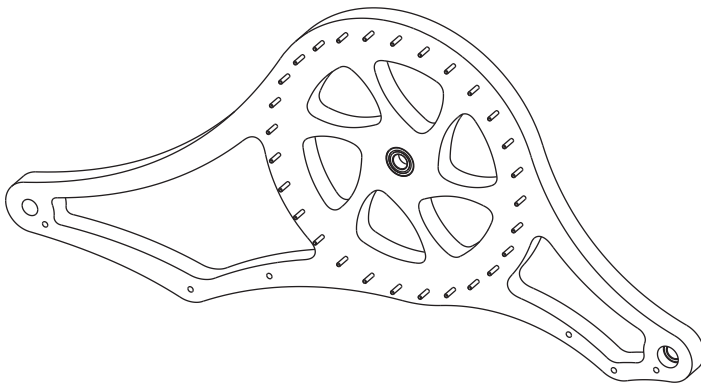
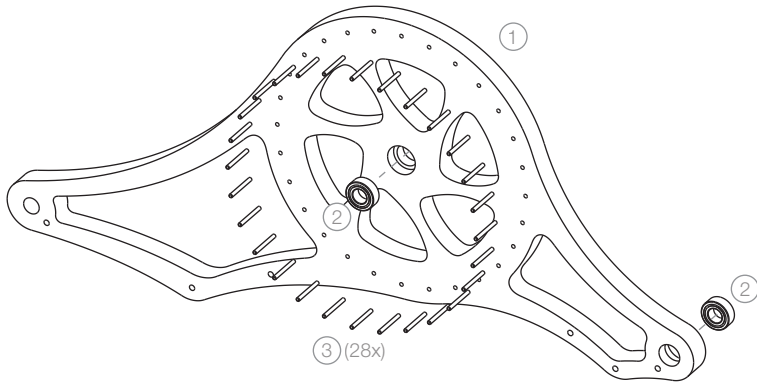
## Peaucellier Linkage Left Asm

1	Peau Link Left A Asm	1x
2	Peau Link Left B Asm	1x
3	Peau Link Right Left D Asm	2x
4	Peau Link Left C Asm	1x
5	Peau Link Left G Asm	1x
6	Peau Link Right Left F Asm	1x
7	A Tube 3/4"	2x
8	A Tube 7/8"	1x
9	Washer #8	6x
10	LSHCS 8-32 x 1/4"	6x

Links must pivot freely around A Tubes and must not bind. Note that links will not stay in place until they are installed in the Top Level Assembly.

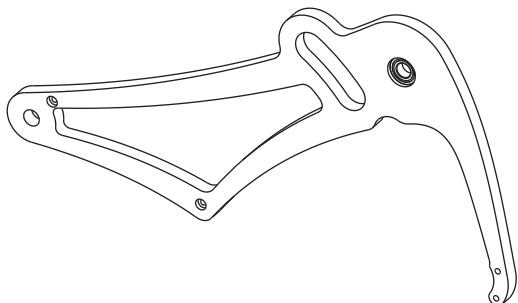
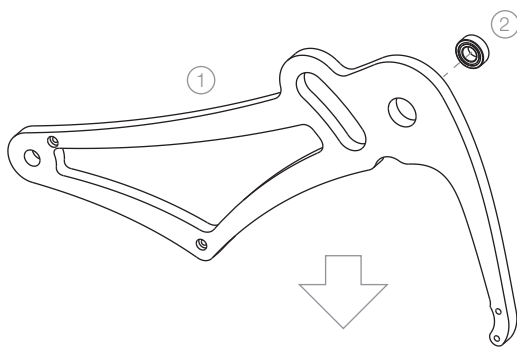
# Subassemblies

Steps 38, 39



## Upper Frame Asm

1	Upper Frame	1x
2	Bearing	1x
3	Rod 1/16" x 5/8"	28x



## Upper Frame B Asm

1	Upper Frame B	1x
2	Bearing	1x

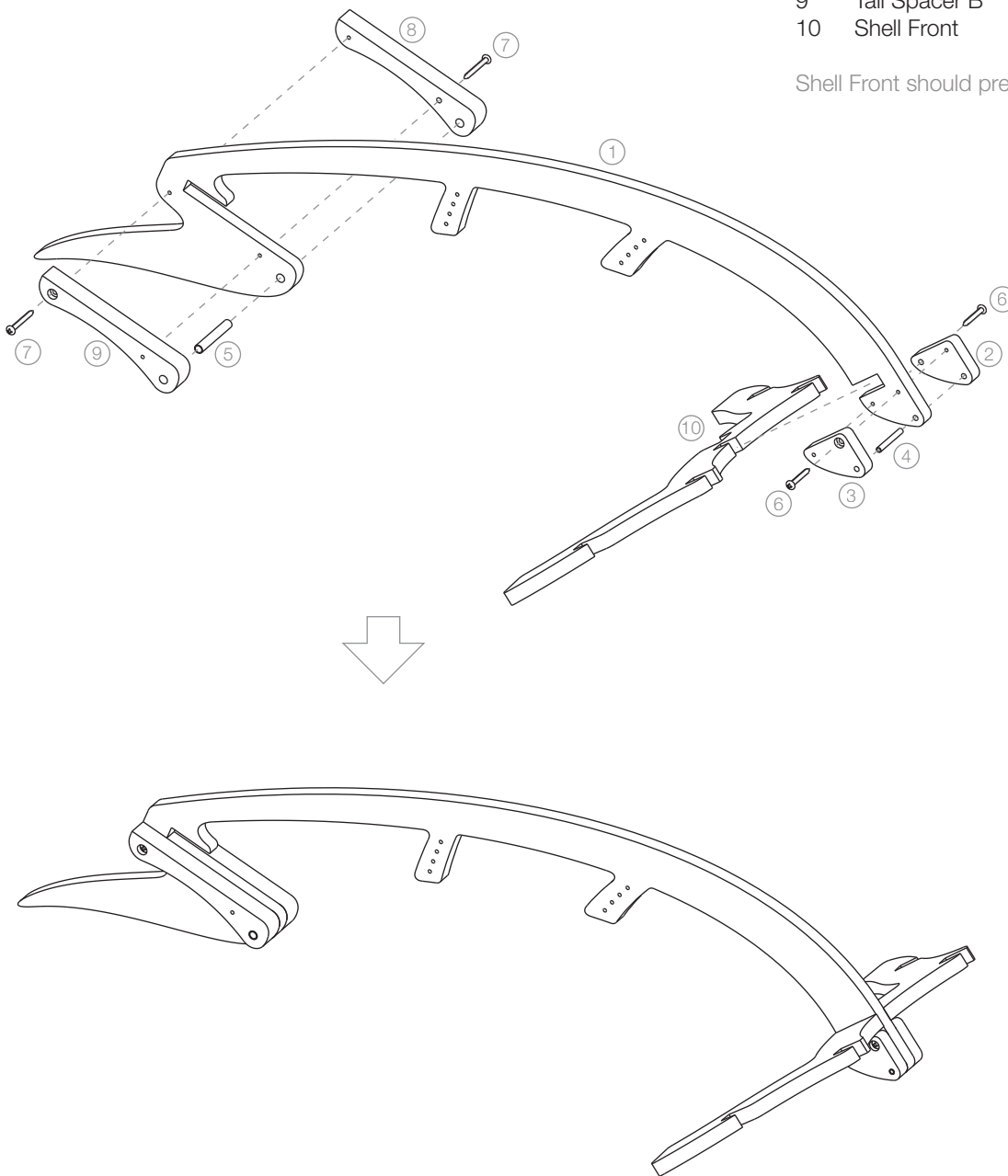
# Subassemblies

## Step 40

### Shell A Asm

1	Shell A	1x
2	Head Spacer A	1x
3	Head Spacer B	1x
4	B Tube 3/32" x 3/4"	1x
5	B Tube 5/32" x 1"	1x
6	Screw #2 x 5/8"	2x
7	Screw #2 x 3/4"	2x
8	Tail Spacer A	1x
9	Tail Spacer B	1x
10	Shell Front	1x

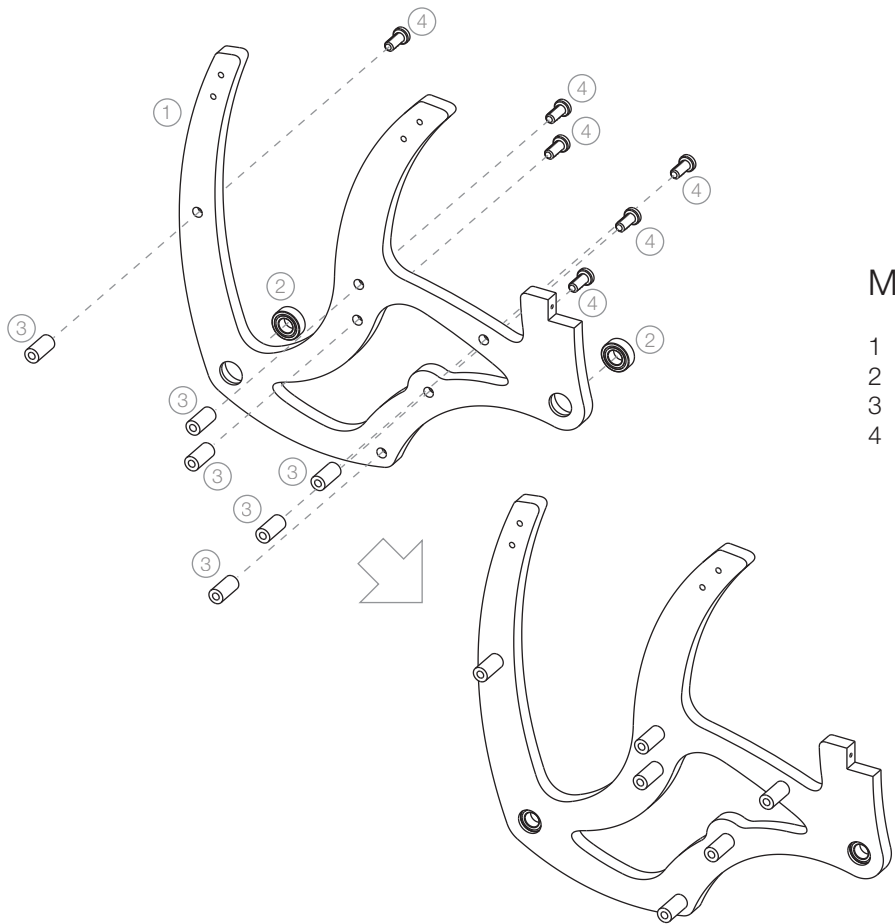
Shell Front should press firmly into place.





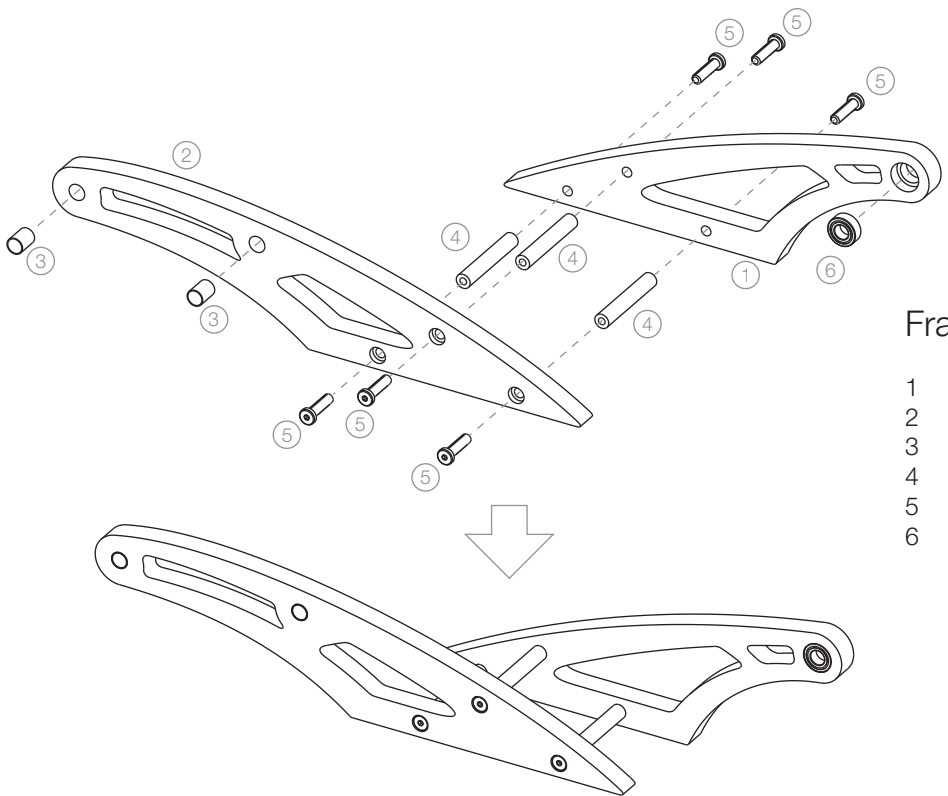
# Subassemblies

Steps 49, 50



Moving Frame A Asm

1	Moving Frame A	1x
2	Bearing	2x
3	A Tube 1/2"	6x
4	LSHCS 8-32 x 3/8"	6x

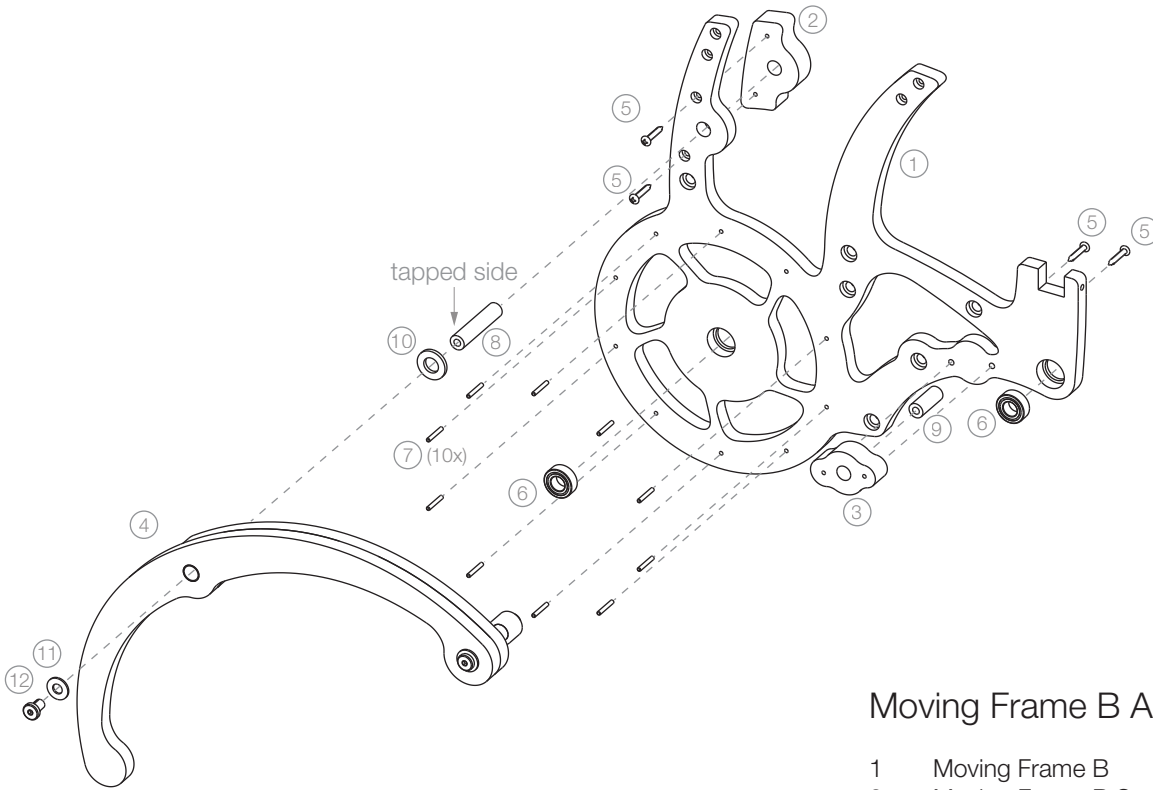


Frame CD Asm

1	Frame C	1x
2	Frame D	1x
3	B Tube 9/32" x 3/8"	2x
4	A Tube 1-1/2"	3x
5	LSHCS 8-32 x 5/8"	6x
6	Bearing	1x

# Subassemblies

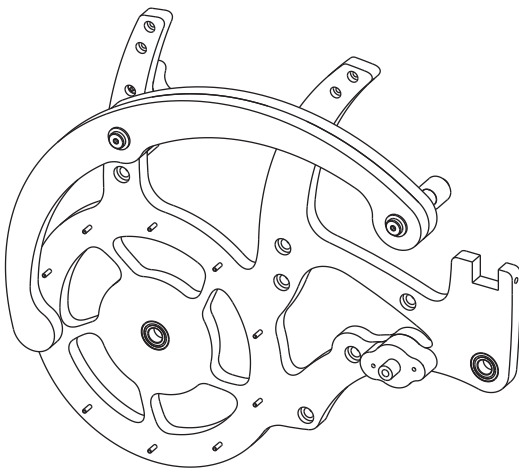
## Step 51



### Moving Frame B Asm

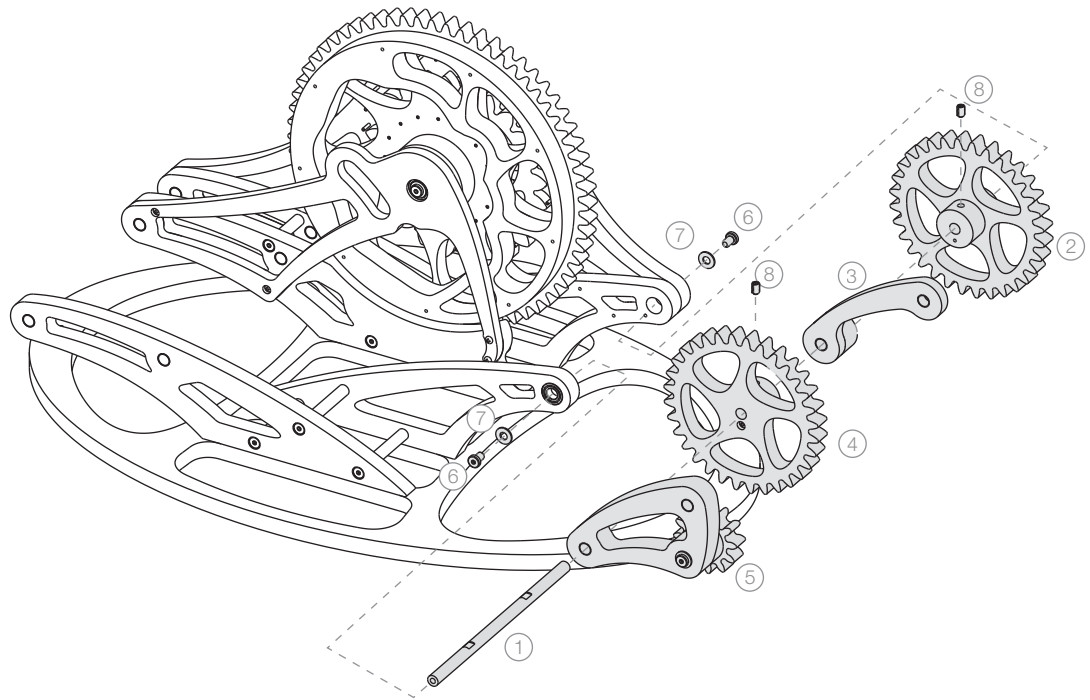
1	Moving Frame B	1x
2	Moving Frame B Support	1x
3	Tilt Hard Stop Support	1x
4	Head Cam Follower Asm	1x
5	Screw #2 x 1/2"	4x
6	Bearing	2x
7	Rod 1/16" x 7/16"	10x
8	A Tube 1-3/16"	1x
9	A Tube 5/8"	1x
10	Washer 1/4"	1x
11	Washer #8	1x
12	LSHCS 8-32 x 1/4"	1x

Head Cam Follower Asm must pivot freely and must not bind.



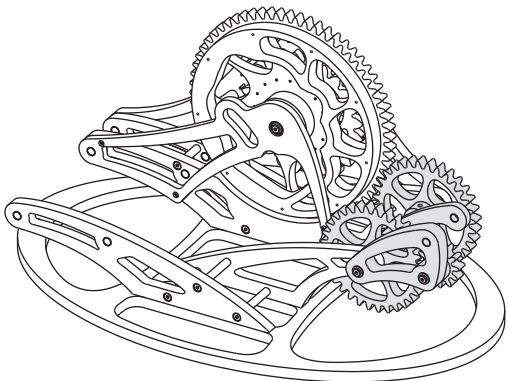
# Top Level Assembly

## Step 2



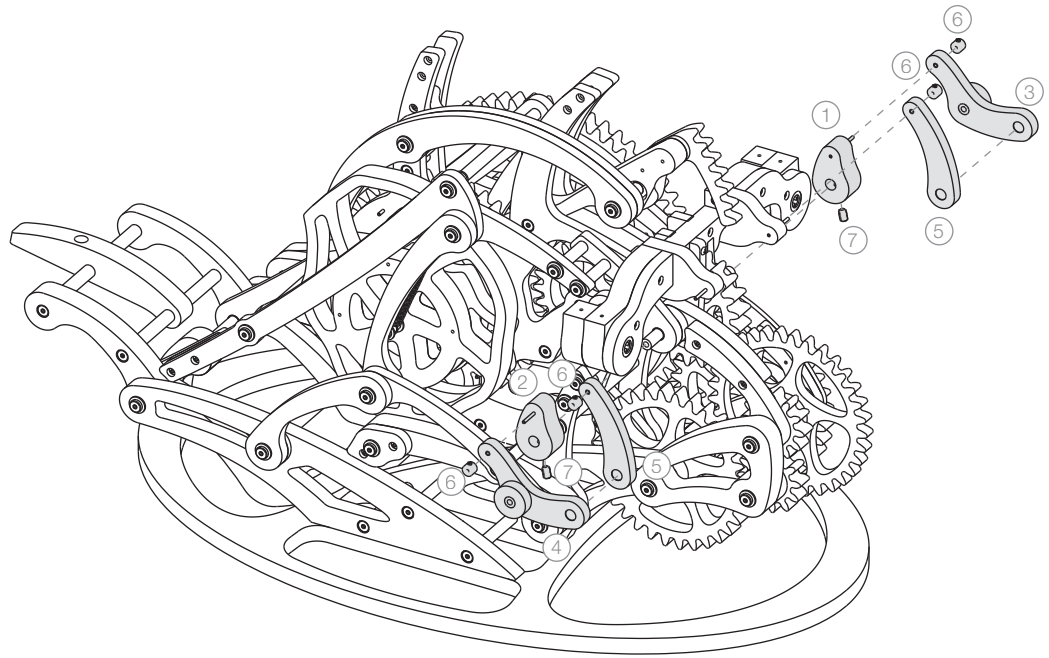
1	A Tube 5-1/2"	1x
2	Gear B Asm	1x
3	Gear Link A Asm	1x
4	Gear C Asm	1x
5	Gear Link B Asm	1x
6	LSHCS 8-32 x 1/4"	2x
7	Washer #8	2x
8	Set Screw 8-32 x 1/4"	2x

Note that links will not stay in place until Top Level Assembly Step 6.

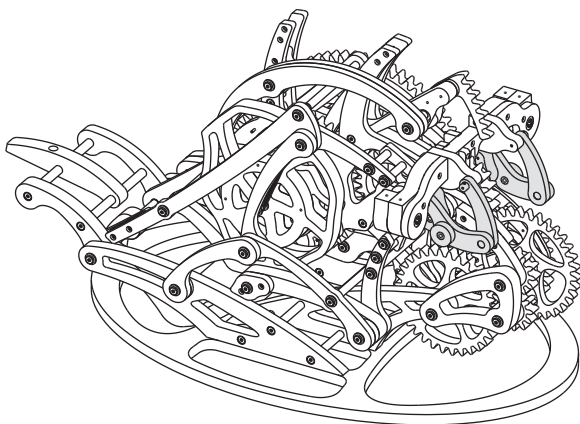


# Top Level Assembly

## Step 7



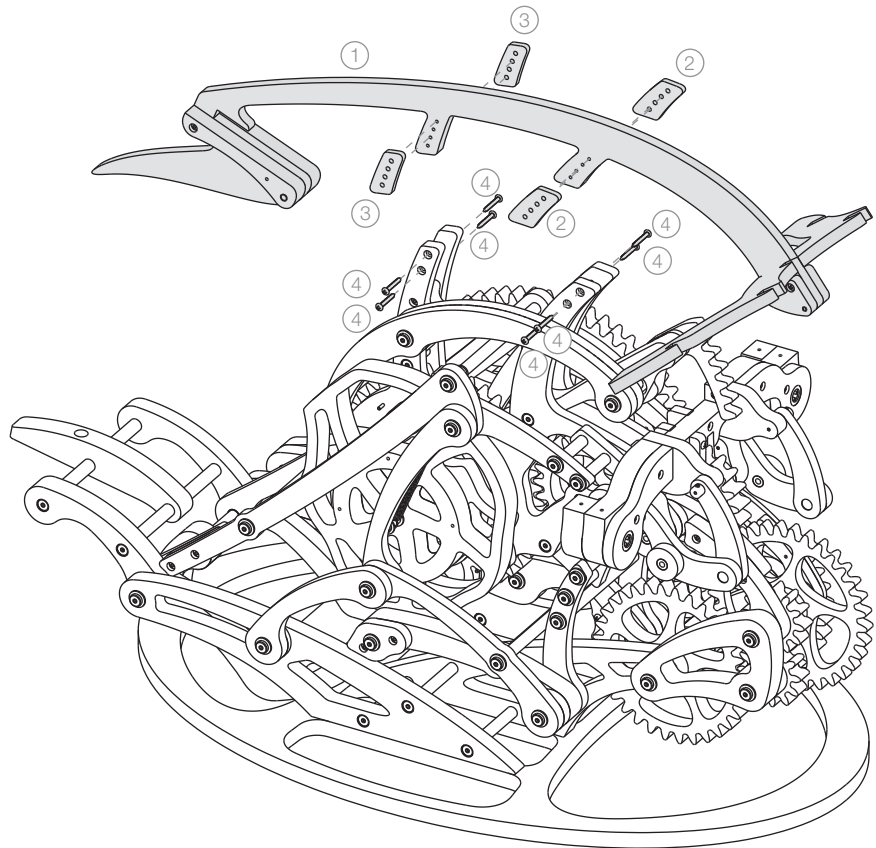
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| 1 | Front Flipper Link A Left Asm  | 1x |
| 2 | Front Flipper Link A Right Asm | 1x |
| 3 | Front Flipper Link B Left Asm  | 1x |
| 4 | Front Flipper Link B Right Asm | 1x |
| 5 | Front Flipper Link C Asm       | 2x |
| 6 | Shaft Collar                   | 4x |
| 7 | Set Screw 8-32 x 1/4"          | 2x |



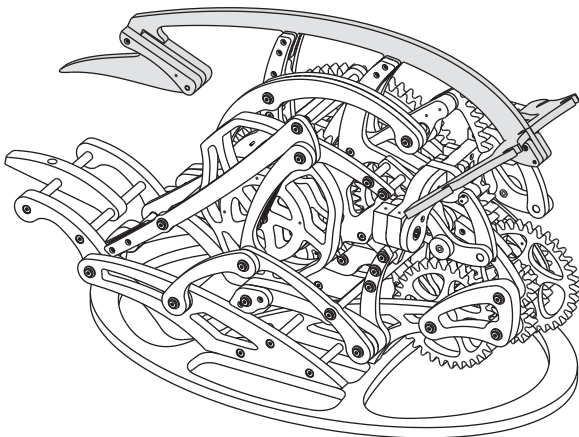
Ensure Magnets are oriented such that the links attract to each other.

# Top Level Assembly

## Step 8

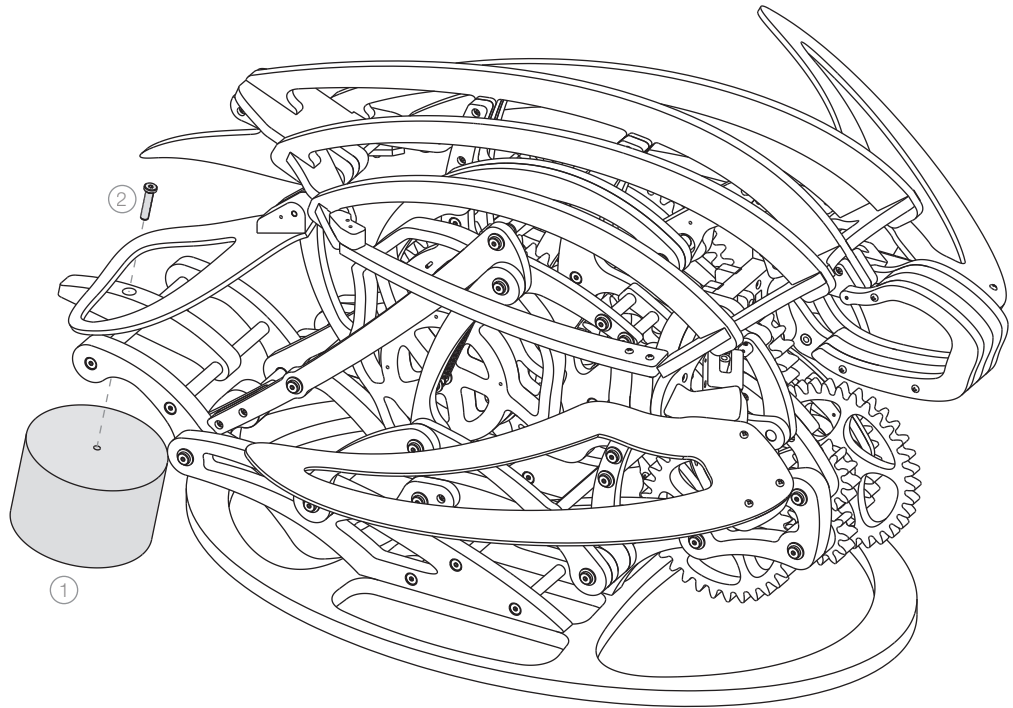


1	Shell A Asm	1x
2	Shell Spacer A	2x
3	Shell Spacer B	2x
4	Screw #2 x 5/8"	8x

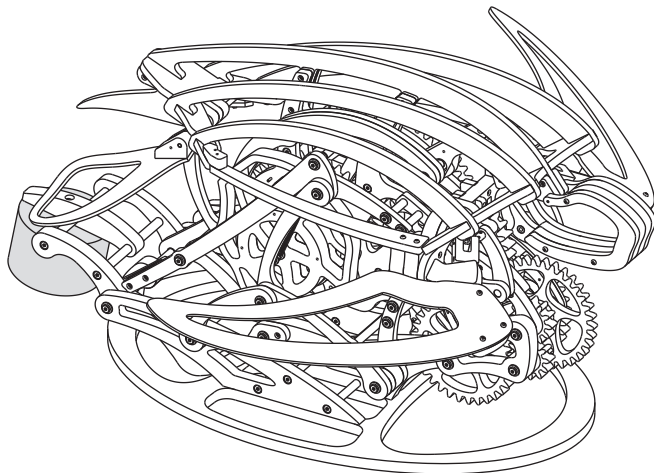


# Top Level Assembly

## Step 13



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|---|-------------------|----|
| 1 | Counterweight     | 1x |
| 2 | LSHCS 8-32 x 3/4" | 1x |



After completing the Carapace Top Level Assembly, see Mechanism Timing in Tips + Tactics to ensure that all of Carapace's motions are accurate to the design intent.