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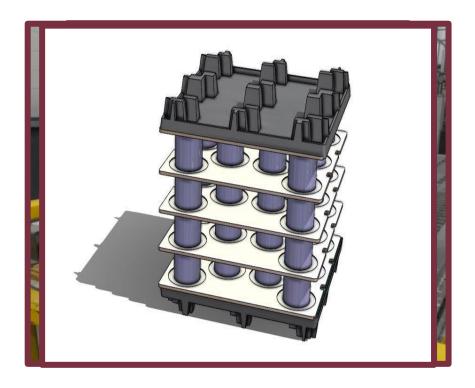
Objective

The objective of this project is to design an automated system to assist in Corning's current palletization and depalletization process through the placement and removal of pallet toppers and embedded foam layers.



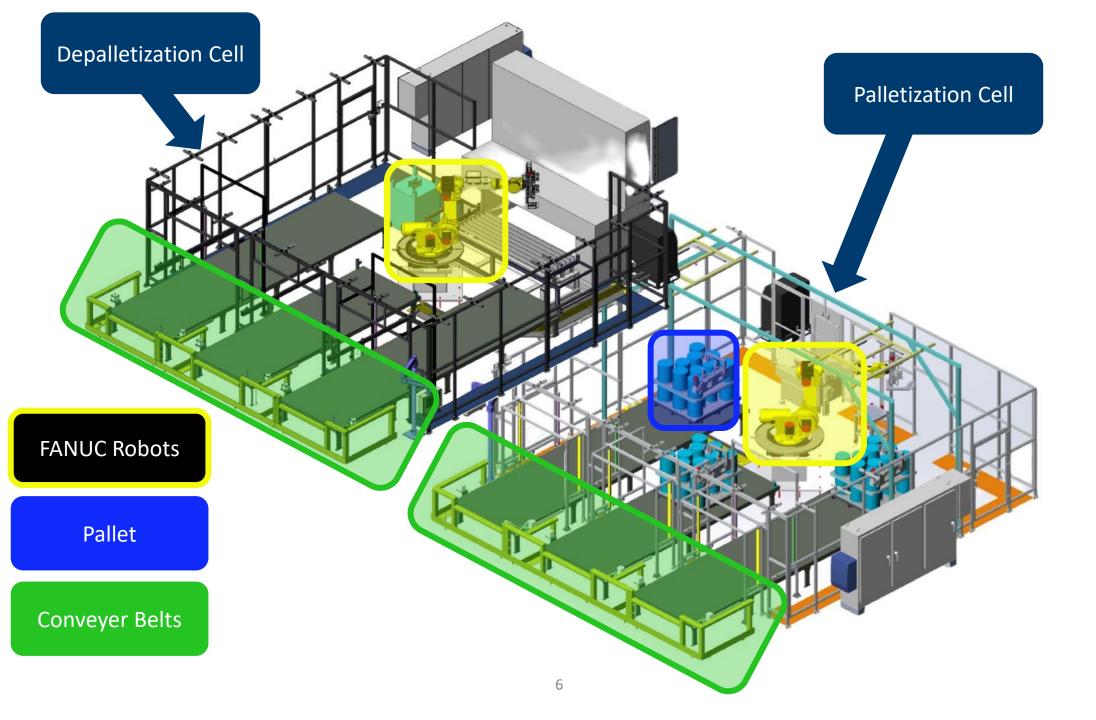
Project Overview

The pallet topper (black piece) has to be physically placed and removed by an employee

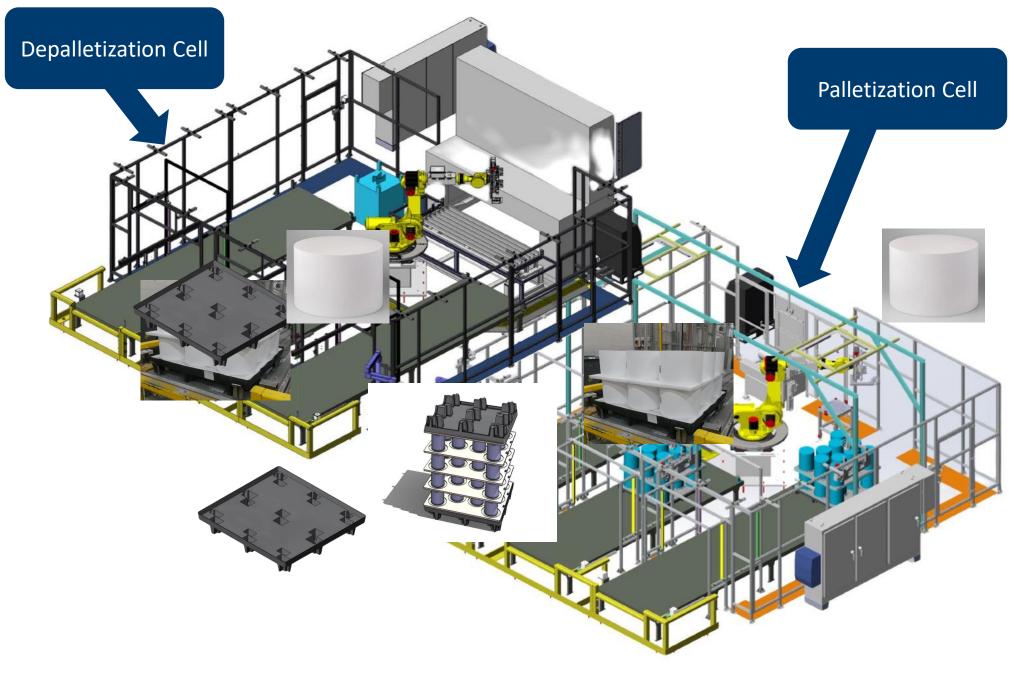












Trouble Spots

Constant employee attention

Physically demanding

Trivial responsibility



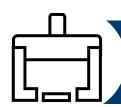




An inefficient aspect of the system



Key Goals



Placement and removal of pallet toppers.



The device is automated.



The device will be able to fit in or around current assembly cells.



Ensure that the device is safe.



Targets and Metrics

Carries Load

• System is able to lift and move a load of 30 pounds or more

Cycle Time

 System will take less than or equal to 120 seconds to complete one cycle

Robustness of Positional Error

System will operate with the stack being offset by
 6 inches or less

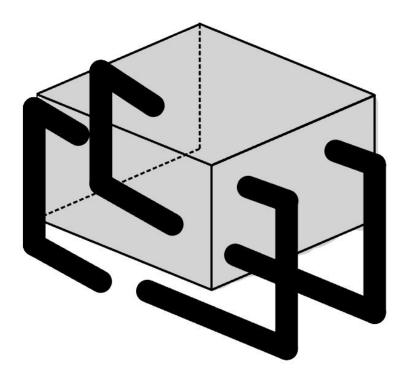
Grip Reliability

Successfully lift the pallet topper 95% of the time



Concept Selection

- Created 100 conceptual ideas
- Spider Claw Rack and Pinion
- Iterations lead to final tabletop
 design and CAD design for Corning





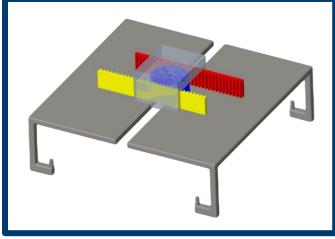
Preliminary Design

GUDEL 2-Axis Gantry

Tooling Concept

Rotary Clamps









Current Full-Scale Design

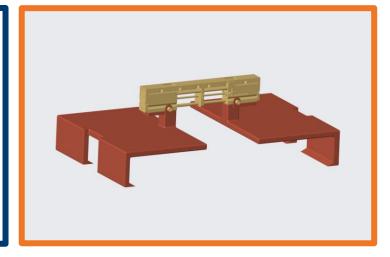
GUDEL 2-Axis Gantry

DESTACO - Parallel Gripper

Custom Tooling Extenders

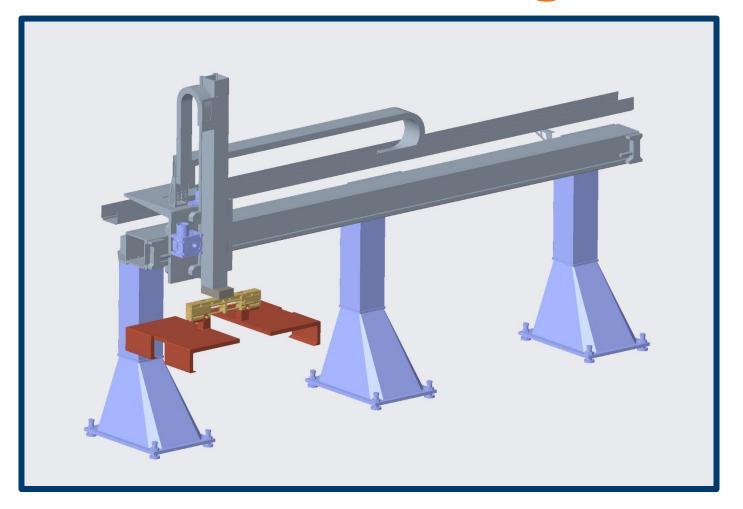








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Scaled Model Design

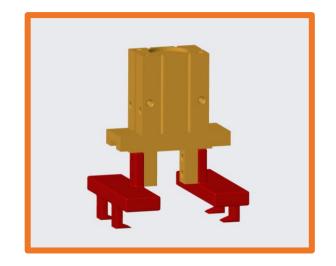
Pneumatic Mock Gantry System

Pneumatic Parallel Gripper

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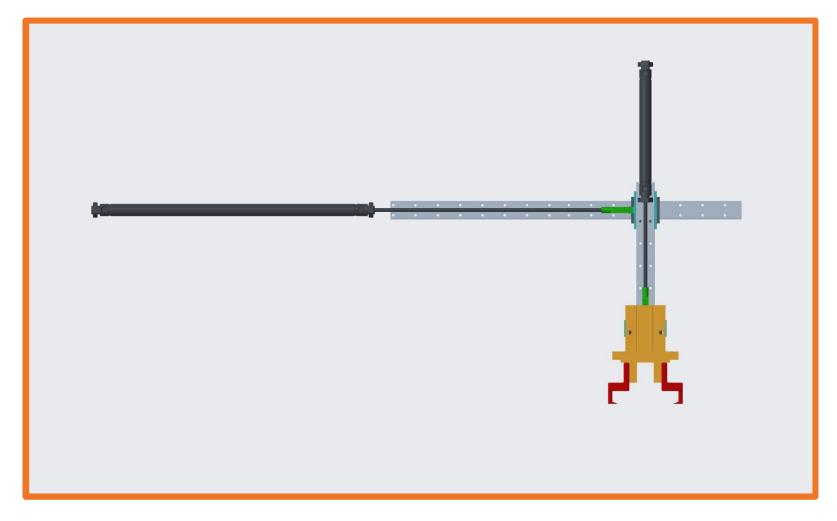






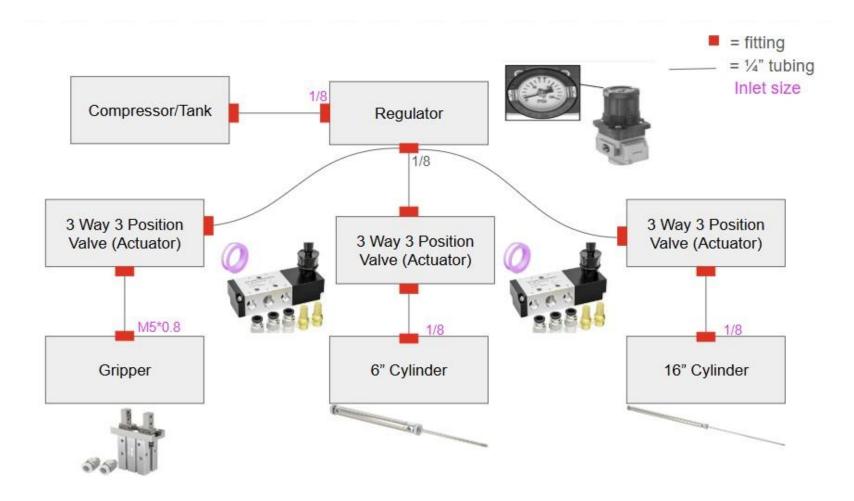


Scaled Model Design





Pneumatic Diagram





Corning Expectations

Cycle Time Estimation

• Use GUDEL and DESTACO specs

Proof of Concept (CAD Model)

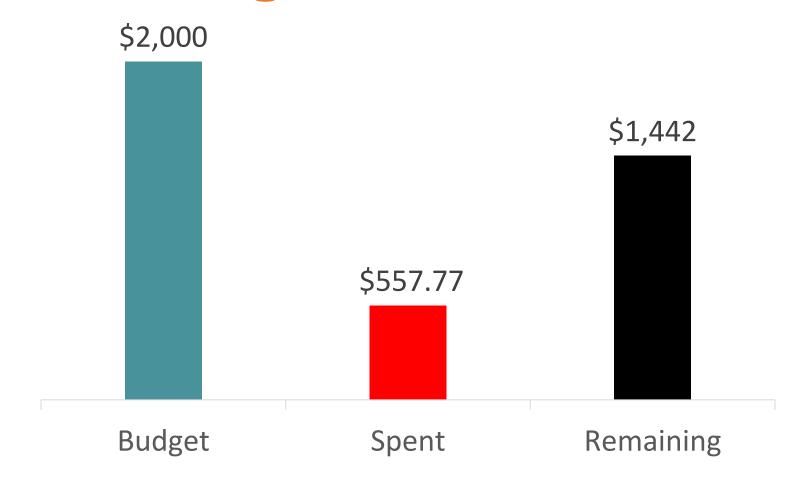
Display full scale CAD design

Proof of Concept (Scaled Model)

• Simulate motion of the system in real world conditions at a scaled size



Current Budget





Future Work



Concept Refinement



Prototype/Design Construction

Further CAD Modeling



Pneumatic Testing



