Northeastern University

Maximum Strength Office / Library Book Display

The Aluminators, Inc.





PROJECT MISSION

To produce a sustainable design of an office bookcase with minimal material while minimizing its impact on the environment.

PROJECT GOALS

- ☐ Research Design Elements:
 - materials
 - configuration
 - functionality
- ☐ Design in ©SolidWorks
- ☐ Develop Written Report
- Power Point Presentation
- □ Poster Presentation

PROJECT PLAN

- 1. Produce Parts (22 total)
- 2. Assemble Parts
- 3. Run Stress Analysis on Shelves
- 4. Determine if results of stress analysis results are suitable for end product.

PROJECT EVALUATION



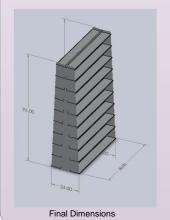
POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

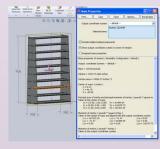
In researching our design we agreed that these factors needed to be addressed :

- a) Maximum Strength
- b) Minimal Material
- c) Optimal Book Volume
 - d) 'Green' Friendly
 - e) Reasonable Cost
- f) Aesthecally Pleasing
 - g) Functionality
- h) Multi-purpose utilization

FINAL SOLUTION

Capacity = 980 books 1060 Aluminum Sheet Metal AISI 1020 Steel, Cold Rolled Tilted Shelf Design





Center of Mass (Centroid)

LESSONS LEARNED

- 1) Due to time constraint, try to keep your design elements simple.
- 2) Metal work requires more time, material knowledge and technical expertise.
- 3) Individuals in groups exhibit different levels of strength and knowledge.

TAKE AWAYS

- Time and effort necessary to complete task
- Understood design process and its tools and feel comfortable with the ability to teach in the high school arena.
- 3. Less confidence using and teaching SolidWorks independently.

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