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Foreword

This report was written during the course of my graduation internship at Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep, as a mechanical engineering student from The Hague University. In this report the assignment and results are discussed.

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Abstract

Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep is an agricultural machinery manufacturer located in the town of Nieuw-Vennep in the Netherlands.

In the spring of 2015 the company will start the production of a new generation of trailed field sprayers and the desire is to assemble these machines as quickly and efficiently as possible. It wants to reach this goal in the first assembly station by tilting the frames sideways so that technicians can have better and more comfortable access to the bottom of the frames.

This design assignment is performed by a full-time mechanical engineering student from The Hague University Delft and is coached by Mr. W. J. Hijink.

The assignment is to design a tool for the trailed field sprayer assembly line that can lift and tilt the frames for the assembly of various frame parts. The necessary steps to achieve a worthy design will be followed in order to achieve a design that complies with the requirements that have been set by Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep.

Research will be conducted to explore what solutions are currently available on the market and a prototype build of the new trailed field sprayer will also be witnessed to gain perspective into the situation.

A function analysis of the frame manipulator will be conducted to identify what the frame manipulator must be capable of.

With this information a selection table comprised of solutions for each function will then be used to create various concepts for the frame manipulator. The final concept will be modeled in NX 8.0 and all parts of the frame manipulator will be described and discussed in this report.

In conclusion following a systematic design method where all aspects of the issue have been taken into account and then integrated into a final design has created a functional solution for the situation. Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep will evaluate this final design and necessary improvements can be made before having the frame manipulator built.





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Glossary of terms

Actuator	A mechanical device that is used to transmit energy in the form of motion for the operation of another mechanism.
Encoder	Device used to electronically determine the speed and position of an electrical motor
Front arc	Arc installed in the front of a field sprayer to support sprayer booms during transport
Friction coefficient	Dimensionless value used to describe the ratio of the force of friction between two bodies and the force pressing them together
Bobtail bolt	A permanent and vibration resistant fastening system from Alcoa Fastening systems
Jig	Mechanical device designed to hold and locate a component during machining or assembly
Kesselring method	Method used to compare functionality vs feasibility
Morphological analysis	Method used to explore all possible solutions for a complex problem
РТО	Power takeoff, an output shaft that is driven by the motor of a vehicle
R&D	Research & Development
Rear arc	Arc installed on the rear of the field sprayer where the sprayer boom is attached
RPM	Revolutions per minute
Salt spray test	Standard corrosion resistance testing method
Swage	process used to forge lock bolts with dies
Trailed field sprayer	Towed tractor implement for the application of liquid chemicals to crops
Trailer tongue	Part of the trailer that couples a trailer to a tow vehicle
Trestle	A rigid frame used to support a load





List of symbols

Symbol:	Meaning:	Unit:
а	Acceleration	m/s²
A	Area	m²
r	radius	m
т	Torque	Nm
g	Gravitational acceleration	m/s²
E	Young's modulus	Ра
τ	Shear stress	Ра





1. Introduction

This report was written in the context of a graduation assignment at Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep. The purpose of this report is to treat all relevant aspects of the completed graduation assignment at Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep.

Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep has the desire to assemble the new generation of trailed field sprayers as quickly and efficiently as possible. One of the manners in which they want to achieve this is by using a frame manipulator in the first assembly station to tilt the frames and hereby providing easier access to the bottom of the frame.

The assignment is to design a machine that can tilt the frames for the assembly of the necessary parts, and also position the frames at a height where the technician can perform his tasks in a comfortable manner.

In chapter 2 the background of the company is described and also the description of the assignment. Then in chapter 3 all relevant aspects of the witnessed prototype builds for the design of the frame manipulator are treated. In chapter 4 the function analysis of the frame manipulator, concept creation and final concept selection of the frame manipulator are treated. Chapter 5 describes the design of the various components of the frame manipulator. In chapter 6 a description of the finalized design is provided. Chapter 7 shows the stress analysis that was performed on the main components of the manipulator and followed by an estimate of the cost to have the manipulator built in chapter 8. The bibliography and appendices then follow the conclusions and recommendations.





2. Backgrounds

2.1 Company

Kverneland Group is an international agricultural equipment manufacturer. The group consists of seven manufacturing facilities in Norway, Denmark, Italy, Germany, The Netherlands, Russia and France, with over 20 sales offices and an extensive dealer network. This makes the Kverneland Group one of the largest agricultural equipment manufacturers in the world.

Kverneland Group has a wide range of products for farmers and contractors. The product range consists of: Grass equipment, Crop protection, Soil equipment and Plough equipment. These products are sold under the Kverneland and Vicon brands, in the future these products will also be sold under the Kubota Brand.

The history of the Kverneland Group dates back to 1879. The company started as a small plough manufacturer in the village of Kverneland near Stavanger in Norway. Kverneland has been a family business until it was listed on the Oslo Stock exchange in 1983. As of the mid 90's, the Kverneland Group has grown tremendously through the acquisition of several agricultural equipment manufacturers. In 1998, growth was strongest with the acquisition of Greenland, the company that was responsible for the manufacturing of the world-renowned Vicon brand. The most recent development at the Kverneland Group is the complete takeover of the company by Kubota in 2012. Kubota is a Japanese manufacturer that through the acquisition of Kverneland Group wants to enter the dry-land farming equipment market.

Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep is part of the Kverneland Group. Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep is responsible for the development, manufacturing and distribution of high tech crop care equipment. The crop care product range consists of:

- Mounted sprayers
- Trailed sprayers
- Pendulum spreaders
- Disc spreaders

Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep currently employs approximately 200 employees, the majority of which is immediate staff. The staff is tasked with the production and assembly of agricultural machinery. The remaining activities involve R&D, Purchasing, Marketing, Logistics, HR and Management.

The factory in Nieuw-Vennep has only been part of the Kverneland Group since 1998; however it does enjoy a long history. In 1910, the company was founded by Hermanus Vissers, with its main activities in trading of seed potatoes, seed and fertilizer as well as contract work in fertilizer spreading, planting potatoes, sowing and mowing.

After the death of Hermanus Vissers in 1933, his sons Herbert and Cor continued with the business. As of 1933, the company began to focus on the repair, fabrication and importation of agricultural machinery. In 1939, the company was divided and Cor continued independently in Hoofddorp and Herbert continued with the existing plant under the name "Vicon" that stands for **Vi**ssers **CO**nstructies **N**ieuw-Vennep. In the post war years from 1946 to 1970, the company expanded tremendously with Vicon consisting of 39 employees in 1949 to 1200 employees all over the world in 1970. The period from 1970 to 1985 is also characterized by growth.





Vicon was taken over by the Thyssen Bornemisza Group (TBG) in 1981. What follows is a period of expansion until the agricultural industry collapses late 80's worldwide. This caused different factories of TBG to merge under the name of Greenland.

Vicon BV is then renamed as Greenland Nieuw-Vennep BV and is the specialist in fertilizer spreaders, disc mowers and sprayers for Greenland. In 1998, the Greenland Group is acquired by Kverneland Group. Kverneland Group is then eventually acquired by Kubota in 2012¹

2.1.1 R&D

The R&D department is tasked with the development of new products for Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep.

The R&D department has a staff of approximately twenty engineers and specialists divided in two teams namely spreaders and sprayers.

The R&D department uses Siemens NX 8.0 for CAD/CEA activities. Along with NX, Siemens teamcenter is used as a database for all models and drawings.

The R&D department has its own workshop that is independent of the production line. In this workshop prototypes of future products are built and jigs are also built here for the assembly line.

2.1.2 Trailed field sprayer

A trailed field sprayer is an agricultural machine that is used for spraying crops with liquid fertilizers, herbicides of pesticides. With the use of a tractor the sprayer is towed over the area that must be sprayed. Because of the booms a large area can be sprayed at once. Boom sizes range from 18 to 46 meters

A typical sprayer consists of a main chemical mix tank, a smaller mixing tank, a high-pressure pump and a boom equipped with spraying nozzles.



Figure 1 Trailed field sprayer

2.2 Problem definition

Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep will be starting with the production of a new line of trailed field sprayers in the spring of 2015. It is Kverneland's desire to assemble these sprayers as quick and efficiently as possible. In order to achieve this goal new assembly tools are necessary. One of these tools is a frame manipulator.

These new sprayers have a complete new design; the biggest change in comparison with the previous models is the frame.

¹ http://www.werkenbijkverneland.nl





One of the challenges that have emerged with the new frame design is that the new frames are too long for the powder coating line. This issue was resolved by dividing the frames into sections that could fit the powder coating line. After painting the sections they are joined using Bobtail bolts.

Initially, these Bobtail bolt would have been installed in a manner that would have a technician swage the bolt from the side of the frames. But after having performed a salt spray test on these bolts, it became clear that the collar of the Bobtail bolts would corrode because the protective coating on the collar of the Bobtail bolt get damaged in the swaging process. As a result of that, a decision was made to install the bolts with the collar on the inside of the frame to protect the collar from the environment and also because the head of the Bobtail bolt has a better appearance. More information on the Bobtail bolts can be found in appendix II.

The problem is that the technicians must have access to the bottom of the frame to swage the Bobtail bolts to fasten the frame sections and install the wiring and hoses. The tool used to fasten the Bobtail bolts in particular, is both heavy and difficult to handle. This is where the idea for the use of a frame manipulator was conceived.

The idea behind the frame manipulator is to position the frames in such a way that the technician can assemble parts onto the frame in the most ergonomic and comfortable way possible. This would be achieved by positioning the frame at the appropriate working height and tilting it 90 degrees on its side where technicians will have access to the bottom of the frame without having to lay down on the ground.

2.3 Assignment description

As mentioned before Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep will start with the production of a new trailed sprayer model. It is the intention to build approximately 500 machines a year. The assignment is to design a frame manipulator for the new trailed field sprayer assembly line. This frame manipulator must be able to tilt a frame 90 degrees so that technician will be able to assemble parts in a comfortable working position. Because the frame being massive, it will not be possible to tilt the frames manually, for this reason the tilting mechanism must be powered.

It is also important that the frames can be mounted and dismounted from the manipulator as fast as possible, so that the turnaround time can be kept to a minimum and delays in the assembly process be avoided.

Since, there are no tools currently available on the market for this specific application; it will be necessary to begin with researching the different possible solutions, making sketches and creating 3D concepts. By the means of a selection matrix a design will be selected out of the various concepts and will be further developed into a design. Upon approval of the final design, the frame manipulator will be built by the technical department of the Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep and integrated into the assembly line.





2.4 **Project boundaries**

The boundaries of the project must be defined to facilitate the planning of the project. This is important in maintaining focus on key issues. It's also important to stay within these boundaries so that unnecessary research can be avoided.

The project boundaries are as followed:

- A concept report will be made with the various options
- The final concept will be developed and modeled in 3D using Siemens NX 8.0
- Engineering drawings will be made from the final design
- A structural analysis will be made from the 3D model using CAD/CAE software

2.5 Program of requirements and preferences

With all the information provided in the previous paragraphs it's possible to define the program requirements and preferences. The requirements and preferences will consist of fabrication and user requirements

2.5.1 Requirements

Fabrication requirements

- Compact design that will fit within the assembly station
- Powered lifting system
- Powered tilting system
- The manipulator must be able to lift and tilt the weight of the frames
- Modular compatibility for multiple frame sizes

User requirements

- Adjustable work height
- Easy to use
- Frame must be able to be lowered on axle assembly after all the required parts have been installed
- Frame must be able to tilt 90 degrees in both directions

2.5.2 Preferences

Fabrication preferences

- Electrically powered

User preferences

- No hindrance to work around the frame of the manipulator
- Assembled frame must be able to be towed away after being installed on the axle





2.6 Development method

The frame manipulator will be developed in a structured manner. This will be achieved by implementing the methodical development guidelines as prescribed in the book Methodisch Ontwerpen volgens H.H. van den Kroonenberg (F.J. Siers, 2004). This methodical approach to design ensures that every aspect that has a role in the design will be addressed.

This methodical approach is divided in three phases;

- Orientation phase
 - This is the first phase of the project. The goal of this phase is to define the problem, generate a program of requirements and research the problem.
- Concept phase
 - The results from the first phase are used to determine the steps that will be taken in the second phase. The goal of this phase is to explore all possible solutions for all the issues that have been defined in the first phase. The result of this phase is a concept for the solution of the problem, which will be developed further in the next phase.
- Design phase
 - The results of the second phase will be used as the input for the third phase, in which a working method will be engineered for Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep. Finally all parts will be detailed and an engineering package will be presented.





3. Research phase

After having performed a market research, it became clear that there is no off the shelf solution available on the market that will meet the requirements of Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep BV.

3.1 Prototype build

The new model range of trailed field sprayers consists of three versions namely: a small, medium and large version which will be referred to as model A, B and C respectively. In September 2014, two "B" model prototypes have been built.

These two prototypes were built as a test to identify problems during the assembly process of the new sprayers, and to identify any issues that need to be addressed before the production of the new models can start. This was a perfect opportunity to witness the assembly of the frames on a purposely-built tilting trestle (fig. 2).

The model-B sprayers where built during this prototype build, as the other versions are still in development. The only differences between the three versions will be the sizes of the tanks and the length of the frames. Other than that, the design of the frames will be similar with the exception of the length and the design of the trailer tongues.

This information will be taken into account for the design of the manipulator.

During the build, the same assembly process that would be followed on the assembly line was used. That transpired in the following working order, noting that only the steps that are important to the functioning of the manipulator will be discussed. A storyboard illustration of the process can be found in appendix III.

- Step 1
 - o Mount frame onto trestle
- Step 2
 - o Mount front arc & hand tighten corresponding Bobtail bolts
 - o Mount rear arc & hand tighten corresponding Bobtail bolts
 - o Mount tank support brackets & hand tighten corresponding Bobtail bolts
 - o Mount pump support brackets & hand tighten corresponding Bobtail bolts



Figure 2 Frame with forward and rear arc's on the trestle





- Step 3
 - o Tilt frame 90 degrees



Figure 3 Tilted Frame

- Step 4
 - o Swage Bobtail bolts
- Step 5
 - o Tilt frame 180 degrees
- Step 6
 - o Swage remaining Bobtail bolts
- Step 7
 - o Route hoses and cables
 - o Install trailer tongue
 - o Install trailer jack
 - o Install trailer jack hydraulic cylinder (if applicable)
- Step 8
 - o Tilt frame 90 degrees into starting position
- Step 9
 - o Remove frame from trestle and lower onto the axle assembly

During the test build we have taken advantage of the opportunity to measure the mass of the assembled frames. We also measured the force that is needed to tilt the assembled frame back into the starting vertical position, which will be used to calculate the requirements for the tilting mechanism and lifting mechanism. A scale was used on the overhead crane to make the measurements. The results of these calculations are the following:

The model B frame was measured at three occasions; the first measurement was made before it was mounted to the tilting trestle. The second measurement was made after the frame parts were installed. And the third was made before tilting the assembled frame into the upright position

- Bare frame 345 [kg]





- Assembled frame 780 [kg]

- Tilted frame 280 [kg]

By using the third measurement it is possible to calculate the force that is required to tilt the frame. This was calculated by using the second law of motion. The overhead crane lifted the frame from the tilted position until the cables where tightened and the frame just barely started to tilt. The mass that was being lifted by the overhead crane from the tilted frame was measured using the scale; the reading that was taken from the scale at this point was used to calculate the torque on the axle of the hinges of the tilt trestle;

Formulas:

$$F = m * a$$

 $T = F * r$
Values:
 $m = 280 [kg]$
 $a = 9.81 \left[\frac{m}{s^2}\right]$
 $r = 1,02 [m]$
Calculations:
 $F = 280 [kg] * 9,81 \left[\frac{m}{s^2}\right] = 2746,8 [N]$
 $T = 2746,8 [N] * 1.02 = 2802 [Nm]$

Because of the fact that only the model-B frame design has been finalized and built, we will make an estimate of the mass of the larger frame, the model-C frame.

After having consulted with the designer of the frames (Mr. Reimon Meiland), we have determined that based on the current 3D models that the mass of the B-model can be multiplied with a factor of 2 to make a broad estimate of the mass of the larger C-model. This had been estimated because the design of the C-model has not been finalized at this point.

The mass of the model-B frame has been measured at 345 [kg], the parts that will be installed during the time that the frame is mounted onto the manipulator have a mass of 460 [kg], which will bring the mass to a total of 780 [kg]. The parts that will be installed on the C-model are the same as those being installed on the B-model. The mass of the bare B-model frame is multiplied with a factor of two and then the mass of the frame parts is added to generate the estimate of the mass for the model-C frame;

(345 [kg] * 2) + 460 [kg] = 1150 [kg]





3.2 Standards

During the research phase, a study was carried out to identify the standards that have a relation to the frame manipulator.

As there is no standard set for the frame manipulator, the following standards will be applied during the design of the frame manipulator.

- NEN-EN 349+A1
 - Safety of machinery minimum gaps to avoid crushing of parts of the human body.
- NEN-EN-ISO 13857
 - Safety of machinery safety distances to prevent hazard zones being reached by upper and lower limbs.
 - Used to determine the safe distance between the control panel and the frame manipulator.
- NEN-EN-ISO 12100
 - Safety of machinery general principles for design risk assessment and risk reduction.
 - This will be used to assess the safety risks of the frame manipulator so that preventive measures can be implemented





4. Concept phase

4.1 Function analysis

To be able to start creating concepts, a function analysis will be made to expand our insight of the frame manipulator functionality. With this functionality analysis an overview will be made of the main functions, sub-functions and auxiliary functions. Once, the functionality of the frame manipulator is known, smart solutions will become clear to be used in the tool design.

The functions that are essential to the manipulator are: tilting, lifting and clamping. The most important function for the manipulator is the tilt function, which is the main function of the manipulator. Before a frame can be tilted, there are a series of steps that must be completed, these steps are also known as the sub-functions.

The frame must be fixed or clamped to the manipulator so that the frame can be safely lifted and tilted.

The frames will be delivered to the assembly station on a pallet or cart; from there the frame will be placed on the manipulator using the existing overhead cranes. From here the frame will be lifted to the required working height and tilted into the required position.

In the following table (table 1), the different functions have been categorized and linked with the parts of the manipulator that must fulfill those functions

Main function	Auxiliary function	Part(s)		
	Lifting Framo	Lifting mechanism,		
Tilting field enrover		Actuator		
frames for the	Manipulator stability	Base frame		
indifies for the	Clamping frame	Frame clamp		
installation of parts	Tilting frame	Tilt mechanism,		
		Actuator		

Table 1 Table of functions

As can be seen on above table, each auxiliary function has one or more parts assigned to them. This will be made clearer in the following diagram (diagram 1).



Diagram 1 Function analysis





With this overview it is possible to visualize what parts will be needed for the design of the frame manipulator. In order to create a better picture of which functions each part must comply with, all parts will be individually analyzed.

Manipulator frame:

The frame will provide the base for the manipulator. In this aspect the frame provides stability for the manipulator and also serves as a platform for the lifting mechanism to be mounted on. This frame must be able to absorb the loads from the lifting of the work piece and transfer them to the ground where the manipulator frame will be fixed.

Lifting mechanism:

This part of the manipulator will be responsible for lifting the frame to the desired working height and eventually lowering the frame onto its axle, after all parts have been mounted. The lifting mechanism must be able to absorb and transfer the stresses from the tilting operation to the base frame.

Frame clamp:

The function of the frame clamp is to secure the work piece to the manipulator. The goal is to keep the work piece in its place during lifting, tilting and assembly of parts.

Tilt mechanism:

The function of the tilt mechanism is to tilt the frame piece once it has been mounted onto the manipulator. The frame must be tilted 90 degrees in either direction.

Actuator:

Because of the mass of the frames, it will be impossible to lift and tilt the frames manually. Therefore it will be necessary to use actuators to lift and tilt the frames. Depending on the required movement either linear or rotational actuator may be used. For the lifting mechanism a linear actuator will be needed to complete necessary movement. For the rotary movement of the tilting mechanism it will depend on the method used to complete the tilting operation. And finally, depending of the method used for the clamping of the frame, it might be taken into consideration to use an actuator to clamp the frames onto the manipulator.

4.2 Morphological analysis

A morphological analysis is made at the start of the concept phase. This is done so that all technical solutions can be mapped in order to create concepts. By using this method many combinations can be made in order to create concepts. Of all these concepts only the three most feasible concepts will be evaluated for further development.



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	Morphological analysis							
#	Function	Method						
		Lifting table	Column li	ft	Undergro	und cylinder	Screw jacks	
1	Lifting							
		Hydraulic clamp	Plate & b	olt	Manual cl	amps	Pin thru frame	
2	Fixation							S
		Future Levie			Hinge rot	ational		
3	Tilting	External axie		ear actuat pr	actuator			
		Hydr	aulics			Elec	ctric	
4	Lift actuation							
		Hydr	aulics			Elec	ctric	
5	Tilt actuation							

Table 2 Morphological analysis





4.3 Concepts

By using a morphological analysis all the different solutions have been categorized. In this chapter the three most likely concepts will be assessed.

Concept 1 (blue line)

This concept is made up of two column lifts, which will be equipped with a tilting mechanism. The tilting mechanism will be actuated using linear actuators. This concept will use hydraulics to power the lifting and tilting mechanisms. The frames will be fixed to the manipulator using plates and bolts. Advantages:

- Simple construction
- Easy to control

Disadvantages:

- Takes up a lot of floor space of the assembly station
- Technician will be obligated to walk around the structures of the manipulator to work around the frames
- The assembled frame will not be able to be towed away after it has been installed onto its axle

Concept 2 (red line)

The second concept consists of hydraulic cylinders that are housed underground. The tilting mechanism will consist of a hinge attached to an electrical motor.

And finally the frame will be fixed to the manipulator using pins.

Advantages:

- Compact design
- Simple control for the lift mechanism
- Assembled frames can be towed away after being demounted from the manipulator

Disadvantages:

- Hydraulic cylinders could leak
- Cylinders could be damaged after being struck by an object (tools for example)

Concept 3 (green line)

The third concept is almost identical to the second concept, but instead of using hydraulics for the lifting of the frames this concept would use screw jacks

Advantages:

- Compact design
- Safer because of the braked electrical motor used for the jacks

Disadvantages:

- When using multiple jacks the control system will be more complex
- Because of the length of the jacks a deeper hole will have to be made in the floor
- Screw jack could get damaged after being struck by an object
- Slow linear travel





4.4 Concept selection

Using the Kesselring method the three concepts will be compared with each other. The concepts will be assessed using the program of requirements and preferences. Because certain requirements may have a higher importance in comparison with others, weighting factors will be used to give these requirements more influence in the scoring of the concepts.

	Weighting				
Requirements	factor	1	2	3	Ideal
Fabrication requirement					
Compact design	3	3	9	9	9
Lifting actuation	1	2	2	3	3
Tilting actuation	1	1	3	3	3
Modular	3	7	8	8	9
Costs	2	6	4	1	6
Fabrication preferences					
Electrically powered	1	1	2	3	3
<u>Total X</u>		20	28	27	33
Total % X		61	85	82	100
Users requirements					
Adjustable height	3	9	9	9	9
Ease of use	1	2	3	3	3
Work speed	3	9	9	6	9
Ability to tow completed frame	3	1	9	9	9
Maintenance	1	2	1	3	3
Manages load	3	9	9	5	9
Users preferences					
No obstacles for technicians to move around frames	1	1	3	3	3
<u>Total Y</u>		33	43	38	45
<u>Total % Y</u>		73	96	84	100

Table 3 Concept scoring

The results of the Kesselring method can be seen in the following graph also known as an S-diagram. The graph shows that concepts two and three have scored very close to each other, this is because the concepts are very similar. After having discussed the results with the client, the decision has been made to continue developing the second concept.







4.5 3D concept model

A 3D model has been made to create a visual reference to present to the client. Upon approval of the concept the design phase will start using this model as a reference.



Figure 4 Concept model





5. Design phase

With the approval of the chosen concept, it will now be developed in the design phase. In the design phase all the engineering will take place, which includes 3D modeling and stress analysis. The final design might deviate from the final concept because of the placement and size of the electrical motor that will be used to power the tilt mechanism, and the stresses that occur as a result of lifting and tilting a frame will also have influence on the final design. All stress calculations will be made using the material properties of S235 steel, as the selected material Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep uses for construction of its machines.

Metal components will be powder coated as Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep has its own powder coating equipment. RAL5017 is the color that will be used for the manipulator, as this is the color used in the assembly hall for all tools.

5.1 Tilt drive

The tilt drive will use an electrical motor as its power source. In order to be able to choose the right motor for this application we will need to establish the required specifications for the motor. Thanks to the measurements that were made in the prototype build we can calculate the torque that the motor must provide to tilt the frames back into the upright position.

By using the measurements made for the torque that was present on the axle of the hinges of the trestle, we can now specify the torque that the electrical motor must provide to tilt the frames back into the upright position.

At the time of the test build, the force was calculated after deriving the load using a scale. With the readings from the scale it is possible to calculate the force and eventually the torque that is needed to tilt the frame into the upright position. The torque that was calculated in chapter 3.1 will be used to determine the torque that will be required from the gear motor.

With the calculation made in chapter-3, it was made clear that the torque on the axle of the hinges is 2802 [Nm] at the time that the model-B frame was at rest in the tilted position.

As the manipulator must be able to tilt the model-C frame, an estimation will have to be made for the torque that will be required from the gear motor.

At the time the measurement was made on the model-B frame all parts had already been installed which means the calculated torque is what is required to tilt an assembled model-B frame.

Unlike the estimation for the mass of the model-C frame where only the mass of the model-B frame was multiplied, for the estimation of the required torque the result of the torque calculation of the model-B frame will be multiplied with a factor of 2. By using this approach for estimating the torque, it will result in a greater torque than the calculated value actually required. The reasons for this approach are the following:

- To provide a margin for the gear motor as only one gear motor must be able to tilt the frames considering the mass of the model has only been estimated.
- The torque that the gear motor must provide to tilt the frame must be greater than what was measured, as the frame was not being tilted at the time the reading was taken making this a static measurement.

Taking this into consideration the gear motor will be required to deliver:

T = 2 * 2802[Nm] = 5604[Nm]

Another specification that will be important for the safe operation of the manipulator is the speed of the gear motor. After consulting the technician of the assembly line and the client it was decided that Bachelor Thesis Richard Maduro





the manipulator must be able to tilt a frame with 90 degrees within 15 seconds. This means that a gear motor with a speed of 1-RPM will be needed.

With these specifications, it will now be possible to select a motor that will suit this application. Using the drivegate software from SEW Eurodrive the following gear motor has been selected (see appendix IV for more information): FAF107R77DRE80M4BE05. The selected gear motor has an added Braking feature for safety (see chapter 5.6).



Figure 5 SEW FAF107R77DRE80M4BE05

This gear motor has a hollow shaft; this option was chosen to make the tilt mechanism as compact as possible by avoiding the need for a coupling between the gear motor and the tilt clamp. The gear motor will be attached to the flange of the tilt clamp frame using bolts.

Because of SEW Eurodrive's drivegate software, all specifications of their products and CAD drawings are made available to designers. Therefore, it was possible to use SEW Eurodrive's CAD model of the gear motor in the development of the frame manipulator. The CAD model was used to mockup the placement of the gear motor in the frame manipulator. By using the CAD model the correct measurements were used to take the sizing and placement of the gear motor into account.





5.2 Lifting mechanism

The lifting mechanism is composed of two hydraulic cylinders. Because of the long stroke of these cylinders and the load that they have to be able to lift, they will have to be custom engineered and built for this specific application. The supplier that Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep uses for the hydraulics on their products will provide this service. It is therefore necessary to define the specifications, which the cylinders must comply with for the supplier.

During the test build, we have witnessed that with the assembly of the various parts onto the frames of the sprayer, the center of gravity of the frames had shifted. For this reason each cylinder must be capable of lifting the total mass of the assembled frames. In addition, the mass of the gear motor must also be taken into account for the lifting capacity of the cylinders.

From the specifications of the gear motor can be found that the mass of the gear motor is 277,7[kg]. And as mentioned in chapter-3 the mass of the C-model frame will not be greater than 1150 [kg]. With these details, we can now calculate the force that the cylinders must provide to lift a frame.

Formula:

F = m * a

Values:

- Mass gear motor :277,7 [kg] - Mass model C frame :1150 [kg] - $a = g = 9.81 \left[\frac{m}{s^2} \right]$

Calculation:

$$F = (277,7[kg] + 1150[kg]) * 9,81 \left[\frac{m}{s^2}\right] = 14005,74 [N]$$

The stroke of the cylinder is defined by the distance from the floor to the elbow of the operator and by the depth that the manipulator must retract into the ground for storage. The elbow height is the height that a work piece must be positioned so that the elbows are bent 90 degrees to achieve an ergonomic working position².

This distance has been obtained from the DINED database of the TUDelft; this database contains the human body measurements of the population of The Netherlands. By selecting the 99th percentile, which is the maximum stature in the database, we can obtain a value for the greatest elbow height of the Dutch population. This height is equal to 1232 [mm]; this height was compared to that of the tallest technician working for Kverneland to confirm the data.

The elbow height of the tallest technician was measured at 1200 [mm] what is within range of the 57 [mm] standard deviation of the data.

The cylinders must lower the manipulator 650 [mm] to retract it into the ground. The required stroke is 1200[mm] + 650[mm] = 1850 [mm].

Telescopic cylinders will be used for the lifting mechanism because of the long stroke that will be required. The advantage of using telescopic cylinders instead of traditional cylinders is that it will not be necessary to dig a deep pit in the floor of the assembly line to accommodate a traditional cylinder, as telescopic cylinders are somewhere between 20 and 40% shorter when retracted.

With these specifications the supplier's technical questionnaire (see appendix V) has been filled and has been sent to the supplier along with a sketch with the preferences of the cylinders.

² Basisboek ergonomie Voskamp, P. Druk 1





5.3 Tilt clamp

The rear of the frames will be clamped and supported by the tilt clamp. Existing holes in the frames will be used to lock the frames onto the tilt clamp using two pins.

The pins have a 30 [mm] diameter; this dimension was used based on the shear and compressive strain analyses, which can be found in the appendix VI.



Figure 6 Tilt clamp

The clamp is composed of a saddle that supports the frames, hinge plates and an axle that connects into the gear motor. The axle of the gear motor has a diameter of 95 [mm] and for this reason the axle of the tilt clamp has been made of this same dimension, this was done to avoid using additional couplings between the clamp and gear motor as mentioned before.

5.3.1 Saddle

The saddle is constructed using three plates, one bottom and two side plates. The side plates have been chamfered in de forward facing top corner. This was done to avoid interference with the tank support plates that will be installed on the frame.







5.3.2 Hinge plate

The hinge plates have been designed to provide extra support to the saddle by the means of reinforcement tabs. By incorporating the reinforcement tabs into the hinge plates it will be possible to keep the distance between the gear motor and the clamp as short as possible. Other advantages include:

- Load of the frame is closer to the gear motor
- Tilt clamp will be smaller



5.3.3 Clamping pin

As mentioned before in paragraph 5.3 the frames will be locked into the clamps by using pins. This method was chosen for multiple reasons; one reason is that the holes in the frames where the pins must pass thru will not always perfectly align with the pin holes of the clamps. The ability to manually insert the pins will allow the technician to work the pin into place without damaging the paint finish of the frame.

Another reason for using this method is for the operator to perform a conscious step during the process of mounting the frames onto the manipulator and visually confirm that the pins have been correctly installed. The downside to using this method is that the operator will have to place the pins and walk around to secure the pins from falling out during tilting with clips for example. In order to save time by avoiding the need to walk around and place clips, a spring-loaded pin will be used in combination with a locking mechanism (fig. 9)



Figure 9 Spring loaded pin in locked position



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5.3.4 Mounting frame tilt clamp

The tilt clamp and gear motor will be assembled on a mounting frame. The mounting frame has a flange on one side to attach the gear motor to, and a base plate where a bearing housing will be mounted to support the opposite end of the tilt clamp.

The mounting frame will then be mounted on the hydraulic cylinder.

The location of the bolt holes of the bearing housing and the flange of the gear motor determined the positioning of the reinforcement plates under the mounting frame. The bearing housing that has been selected for the mounting frame is manufactured by SKF, the specifications can be found in appendix VII.



Figure 10 Mounting frame

5.4 Support clamp

The support clamp is the clamp that will be used on the forward facing end of the frame. Because of the limited space between the two lifting cylinders, this clamp will not be actuated. The sprayer frames have been designed with a three degree slope and for this reason the support clamp will have this same slope built in the clamp to adequately support the frame. Another key factor is that because of the sloping design of the frame, the support clamp will be lower than the tilt clamp. This height difference will be incorporated in the hinge plates of the support clamp.



Figure 11 Isometric view of the support clamp assembly



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5.4.1 Hinge plate

The height difference between the support clamp and the tilt clamp has been incorporated into the hinge plates of the support clamp. These plates have been designed with the same idea of incorporating the reinforcement tabs in the plates.

The shaft for the support clamp will not have the same size as the shaft of the hinges on the tilt clamp. This was done for two reasons; the first one is because the diameter used in the tilt clamp is not necessary, as the support clamp is not actuated. The second reason is that since the support clamp is not actuated a solution will have to be developed so that the clamp will not fall once a frame has been demounted from the manipulator. The solution for this problem will be treated in the next paragraph.



5.5 Clamp brake

As mentioned in the previous paragraph, the support clamp will need a system to keep it in the upright position when frames are being loaded and unloaded. A locking or braking system will be developed to keep the support clamp in the starting position.

Two solutions have been considered for this situation. The first solution is to use a pin on the support clamp to lock it in place. With this concept the technicians must place the pin before removing a frame from the manipulator. The downside to this concept is that if the technician should forget to place the pin, the clamp would tip over to one of the tilt positions, as it would not be held in place. The advantages of this system are:

- The clamp will be securely locked in place
- Simple construction

The disadvantages are:

- Extra step for technicians to complete
- Technicians forgetting to remove the pin could damage the support clamp.

The second solution is a braking mechanism. This mechanism would be mounted on the clevis of the support clamp. Here brake pads will be used to apply pressure to the hinge plate.

The idea behind this solution is that the braking mechanism would provide sufficient resistance to keep the clamp in place, but still allowing it to turn during the tilting operations.

The advantages of this solution are:

- Technicians will not have to engage it, so it is one step less for them to perform
- Brake pads can be easily adjusted after the pads have worn out
- No risk of damage to the support clamp as a result of the operator forgetting to disengage





The disadvantages are:

- Brake pads will wear out and require replacement.
- The braking system will take up more space than the locking pin solution

After having discussed these two solutions with the client, is was decided to use a braking system on the support clamp.

The reason for this choice is that technicians will not have to perform an extra step while using the manipulator.

As mentioned before the clamp brake will be mounted onto the clevis of the support clamp. Here two brake pads will be used to apply pressure to the hinge plate of the clamp.

Because of the low friction coefficient between two metal parts (typically between $\mu s = 0.5 \& \mu s = 0.8$), another material will be used to increase the friction coefficient. Because of the higher friction coefficient between rubber and metal (approx. $\mu s = 1.2$)³, rubber will be used as the braking material. As the brake pads will wear from the use of the manipulator, they can be readjusted using bolts. Once the rubber pads have been worn-out the rubber plates can be easily replaced by removing the old plates and securing new plates with rivets.



Figure 13 Clevis with clamp brake

³ http://www.werktuigbouw.nl/abc/cof.htm#mu_materialen Bachelor Thesis Richard Maduro





5.6 Base frame

The base frame is the mounting platform for the lifting cylinders and also where the frame manipulator will be stored when it is retracted and not in use.

The dimensions of the base frame are defined by the size and placement of the various parts of the frame manipulator, as these must be able to lower into the base frame.



Figure 14 Base frame

The base frame will be inserted in a pit in the floor of the assembly station. The lifting cylinders will be installed within the shafts on the bottom of the frame, the flange of the cylinders will be fastened and rested on the bottom plate of the frame. This way it will not be necessary to dig a deep pit for the base frame. Because of the way the gear motor is attached to the mounting frame and lift cylinder, the bottom plate of the base frame will prevent the manipulator from completely lowering into the base frame. This issue was solved by making a recess in the bottom plate for the gear motor to recess into. The base frame will be secured to the ground to prevent movement of the entire manipulator.

5.6.1 Cylinder placement

The placement of the cylinders was determined by selecting a distance in which all three frames can be clamped on the frame manipulator without obstructing assembly of parts.

After the analysis of the 3D models of the three sprayer frames, it became apparent that a distance of 1590 [mm] between the three frames would work. At this distance the model-A frame would fit on the manipulator and the B & C model frames can be assembled, the only issue would be that the jack of the B & C model frames will have to be installed in the extended position. Also with this setup the center of gravity of the frames are set between the lifting cylinders.

At this distance all three frames can be clamped into the manipulator and not have interference from the clamps with the assembly of the frame parts at the time that the frames are on the manipulator.



Figure 15 Model A, B & C frames





5.7 Safety

Safety of the operator is the first priority; therefore safety features have been incorporated in to the design of the frame manipulator.

The possible hazards of the manipulator must first be identified so that the necessary precautions can be determined.

The possible hazards are:

- The operator is struck by the manipulator and gets injured.
- The operator gets pinched or crusher by a hinge
- The operator forgets to place the frame pins and the frame falls out of the clamps
- The electrical power for the gear motor fails during tilting and the manipulator could continue to tilt uncontrolled

5.7.1 Control panel

The manipulator will be operated from a control panel. There are two precautions that will be made, to ensure the operator will not be at risk of being injured during the operation of the manipulator. The first precaution is that the control panel is placed outside of the danger zone of the manipulator. The second precaution is the use of a two-hand control system; this will be implemented so that the control panel can be placed as close to the manipulator as possible.

A two-hand control device requires the simultaneous use of both hands of the operator to operate the manipulator⁴. This will prevent the operator from reaching the danger zone with any body part during the time that the manipulator is being operated.



Figure 16 Two-hand control

The exact location of the control panel will be determined later as the client is yet unsure of the exact setup for the station where the manipulator will be used.

5.7.2 Emergency stop

An emergency stop switch also known as an emergency kill switch will be placed on the control panel. This switch will be used in case of an emergency to cut off all power to the manipulator, in order to stop the manipulator from working.

⁴ http://www.michigan.gov/documents/dleg/twohand_292567_7.pdf Bachelor Thesis Richard Maduro





5.7.3 Pin sensor

Proximity sensors are often used in industrial automation applications to detect metal objects; this is achieved by using an inductive loop.



Figure 17 Example of a proximity sensor

By taking into account that technicians could forget to place the frame locking pins or decide not to place one pin to save time, proximity sensors will be used as a safety measure to prevent this from happening.

As the pins that will be used to hold the frames on the clamps will be made of steel, these sensors will be capable to detect them once they have been placed. Once the sensors have detected the presence of the pins, a signal will be sent to the control box to confirm that all pins have been placed and that the frame can be tilted.

5.7.4 Tilting

Tilting the frames presents two risks. The first risk is that due to an electrical failure during the process of tilting, a frame could continue to tilt uncontrolled and fall into the tilted position causing damage and bringing the operator at risk of injury.

The second risk is that the operator fails to pay attention during the tilting operation and fails to stop tilting at 90 degrees, and hereby causing damage to the gear motor and or the frame manipulator itself.

The precautions that will be taken to avoid these situations are the following.

The gear motor will be equipped with a motor brake and an encoder. The motor brake is an option for the gear motor from SEW Eurodrive and is integrated in the motor. The motor brake engages as soon as there is no electrical power being supplied to the motor. This is convenient as the gear motor will be locked in that current position and hereby effectively locking the tilt mechanism in place. An encoder is also another option for the gear motor from SEW Eurodrive. The encoder will be used to electronically determine the position of the tilt mechanism. It will be possible to set limits for the gear motor to avoid tilting the frames past the tilted positions. It has the added benefit that it can be used to confirm that the manipulator is in its resting position





6. Final design

With the design of the frame manipulator completed a rendering has been made of the design. A human model has been inserted into the rendering to visualize the use of the manipulator. In the following image (see figure 18) the frame manipulator can be seen in the upright position where all parts are preassembled.



Figure 18 Frame manipulator in upright position

The following render (see figure 19) shows the manipulator in the tilted position at which point the Bobtail bolts will be fastened. The gear motor has been positioned between the lifting cylinders; this was done in this manner so that technicians can take advantage of the lifting cylinders to be able to lower the frames on to the axle assembly once all the parts have been mounted and fastened on to the frame. There are disadvantages to the position of the gear motor, which are the following;

- Because of the size of the gear motor the technician will have to reach with the swaging tool so that four of the Bobtail bolts can be swaged.
- Parts and tools can fall into the large opening the base frame where the gear motor must retract into.



Figure 19 Frame manipulator in the tilted position

As the hydraulic cylinder supplier had not responded to the engineering request for the hydraulic lifting cylinders as the time this report was being written, it was not possible to finalize the design of the base frame as the correct measurements of the cylinder will be needed for the positioning of the fastening holes and the access hole for the cylinder on the bottom of the base frame.

A parts list with corresponding materials can be found in appendix IX. Engineering drawings of the finalized parts can be found in the appendix X.




7. Stress analysis

A stress analysis has been performed using CAD software; the results of the analysis will be used to determine if the components are able to handle the stresses. With the results from this analysis the necessary changes will be made so that the manipulator will be able to cope with the stresses.

For this stress analysis the clamps of the frame manipulator will be analyzed independently as each clamp must be able to carry the complete load of the frame. With the data from these analyses, enhancements will be made to the clamps

In the following images the results from the stress analyses for the tilt clamp can be seen. The first picture (fig. 20) shows the clamp being loaded in the upright position; the second image (fig. 21) shows the clamp being loaded in the tilted position. In both situations the material does not deform under stress as the occurring stresses are under the yielding point of \$235.



Figure 20 Tilt clamp loaded in upright position



Figure 21 Tilt clamp loaded in the tilted position





In the following images the stress analysis of the support clamp can be seen. In the first image the clamp has been loaded in the upright position, just as with the tilt clamp the stress in the support clamp is not sufficient to deform the material as the occurring stresses are well under the yielding point of \$235.



Figure 22 Support clamp loaded in the upright position

However in the tilted position a greater stress can be observed, this is caused by the intentional contact between the end position limit plate of the support clamp and the clevis of the cylinder. This stress is not sufficient to cause permanent deformation to the material.



Figure 23 Support clamp loaded in the tilted position





8. Cost estimate

The cost estimate of the frame manipulator will be based on gross material prices of Kverneland's suppliers. The prices of the components that will be purchased from a supplier have been obtained from the suppliers catalog for this cost calculation. The remaining costs will be estimated.

Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep has its own inventory of materials and also has the necessary equipment to build the frame manipulator; therefore we will use the company's calculation models to estimate the machining costs. An example of the calculation model for the laser can be found in appendix VIII.

Material	€ 2.489,23
Laser cutting	€ 11,50
Bending	€ 15,00
Welding	€ 540,00
Powder coating	€ 10,00
Gear motor	€ 1.100,00
Lift cylinders	€ 5.000,00
Bearing housing	€ 500,00
Fasteners	€ 40,82
Assembly	€ 480,00
Total	€ 10.186,55

Table 4 Cost breakdown

The total costs for the parts, materials and machining is € 10.186,55.

The costs for the installation, electrical systems and hydraulics systems have not been included in this estimation.





9. Conclusion

In this graduation assignment research was conducted for the design of a frame manipulator for the assembly line of the new generation trailed field sprayers of the Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep. The purpose of this assignment was to develop a method that technicians can use to assemble parts on to the frames of the sprayers quickly and efficiently by tilting the frames.

By witnessing the test build of two prototypes of the new field sprayers a lot of useful information was gathered and insight was gained into the situation. During the test builds feedback from the technicians assembling the prototypes was also received. This information proved to be useful during the development of the frame manipulator.

Because the frame manipulator needs to handle all three models of the new sprayers and only the middle size model-b sprayer design being finalized, the parameters for the handling of the larger model have been estimated.

With all this information a function analysis has been carried out to identify all the functions that the frame manipulator must fulfill. Solutions for these functions were listed in the morphological analysis, which was then used to generate various concepts. Here the best concept was selected and developed into the final concept.

With the final concept a method has been successfully developed where technicians can assemble the frames in a quick and efficient manner. This concept for the frame manipulator provides the best solutions for the requirements of Kverneland Group Nieuw-Vennep. The benefits of this concept are:

- It provides the user the ability to lift and position the frame at the correct working height.
- It provides a comfortable working position to the technician using it.
- It allows the technician to benefit from the lifting system to be able to lower the frames onto its axle assembly.





10. Recommendation

After having reviewed the final concept of the frame manipulator I have a couple of recommendations for improvements.

Tilt mechanism

This concept uses a large gear motor to tilt the frames into position. The positioning is not ideal for the user, as he will have to reach over the gear motor to be able to swage the corresponding Bobtail bolts in that section of the frame.

One solution to this issue is to use a helical hydraulic rotary actuator instead of the gear motor. This type of actuator with the same capacity as the selected gear motor has a much smaller size. This will then provide the benefit of a more compact tilting mechanism.

Lifting mechanism

Due to the applied torque on the top of the cylinders resulting from the tilting operation the seals of the hydraulic cylinder can wear faster than expected. An option that should be considered to prevent this from happening is a guide system to provide additional support for the cylinders during tilting.





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12. Appendix

Appendix I Reflectie

De reflectie is opgezet om de voortgang tijdens de afstudeerstage te rapporteren.

Voor dit afstudeer opdracht lag de nadruk op de rollen van onderzoeker en ontwerper. Met de ingevulde competentie tabel kan men zien welke competenties verbeterd zijn in vergelijking met het begin van de opdracht.

Competentietabel

	Taakrollen	Onderzoeker	Ontwerper	Adviseur
Con	npetentieset werktuigbouw & hbo algemeen			
nr.	Competenties werktuigbouwkunde		2	2
1	Project management uitvoeren (organiseren, plannen, uitvoeren, verslag opstellen	3	3	3
2	Len onderzoeksopdracht uitvoeren	3	3	3
3	Het kunnen opstellen van productdefinitie, pva en pve voor een duurzaam product of proces	3	3	3
4	Het realiseren van een functioneel duurzaam product of voortbrengingsproces	3	3	4
5	Het realiseren van een detailontwerp voor een duurzaam product of voortbrengingsproces		3	3
6	Het realiseren van een prototype/model van een duurzaam product of voortbrengingsproces		4	4
7	Het voorbereiden van een voortbrengingsproces		3	3
8	Het produceren van een duurzaam product		3	3
9	Het beheren of onderhouden van een product of proces	3	3	3
nr.	Algemene hbo competenties			
10	Kritisch handelen (analytisch en probleem oplossend vermogen en het onderbouwen van keuzen, oordeelsvorming)	3	4	4
11	Systematisch een probleem aanpakken (creatieve, plan- en projectmatige werkhouding)	4	3	3
12	Samenwerken (sociaal communicatieve vaardigheden)	3	3	4
13	Persoonlijke en professionele ontwikkeling	4	3	4
14	Zelfverantwoordelijk werken	4	4	4
15	Kunnen functioneren in een internationale en/of multiculturele context	3	3	3

Deze competenties waren bij Kverneland goed te verbeteren. Door de zelfstandige uitvoering van de opdracht heb ik de competentie van zelfverantwoordelijk werken kunnen verbeteren. De competenties voor het realiseren van een model van een prototype/model van een duurzaam product of voortbrengingsproces heb ik ook kunnen verbeteren met het realiseren van het ontwerp van de frame manipulator. De competentie kritisch handelen heb ik verbeterd door een systematisch aanpak te gebruiken om het ontwerp te kunnen realiseren door het probleem goed te analyseren en slimme keuzen te maken voor de oplossingen.

De competentie persoonlijke en professionele ontwikkeling is aanbod gekomen bij het leren werken met een CAD programma waarmee ik niet bekend was.





Appendix II Bobtail bolts



An engineer's-eye view of what makes a BOBTAIL® superior in strength and vibration resistance.

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The detailed specifications charts and images in this flyer illustrate BOBTAIL performance in more detail, as compared to nuts and bolts.







TRANSVERSE VIBRATION COMPARISON

This chart shows that once vibration begins, clamp load quickly decays with conventional nuts and bolts, while it holds constant with the BOBTAIL.



LOCKBOLT



The swaged collar forms over the lock thread, and eliminates the gap.





Regular nuts and bolts have gap, which allows for loosening by vibration.

GAP ELIMINATION SCHEMATIC

The photos illustrate the gap that occurs in the design of nuts and bolts. It's this gap condition which promotes loosening in conventional threaded fasteners. The BOBTAIL design practically eliminates gaps. Huck engineers have made this possible by ensuring full metal-to-metal contact between the swaged on collar and the lockbolt, providing vibration resistance even in the most severe environments.

COLLAR DESIGN





COLLAR DESIGN

The bump crease in the collar flange -- a proprietary HUCK design -- indicates the BOBTAIL has been fully swaged on. A quick visual inspection is all that is required to ensure complete installation.



FATIGUE COMPARISON

This chart illustrates the number of cycles required for a variety of nut and bolt types to reach fatigue under vibratory conditions. Notice the BOBTAIL reaches a 2,000,000 cycle runout limit before fatigue.



DIRECT TENSION / YIELD STRENGTH

Because Huck BOBTAIL lockbolts are not subjected to torsion during installation, they can safely be taken to higher preload values than conventional bolts. BOBTAIL installation is under direct tension only, while conventional bolts are under a combination of tension and torsion during installation.

Conventional bolts develop torsional forces from friction and geometric factors between the mating threads, resulting in a reduction of yield and tensile strength of 10% to 20%. The torque-tension relationship is shown in the chart to the left.

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Appendix IV Gear motor specs

Product information

AC gearmotor

FAF107R77DRE80M4BE05





Rated motor speed
Output speed
Overall gear ratio
Output torque
Service factor SEW-FB
input mounting position/IM
Position of connector/terminal box
Cable entry/connector position Hollow shaft
Permitted output overhung load with n=1400
Lubricant quantity 1st gear unit
Lubricant quantity 2nd gear unit Flange diameter
Motor power
Duration factor
Efficiency class
Efficiency (50/75/100% Pn)
CE mark
Motor voltage
Wiring diagram
Frequency
Rated current
Cos Phi
Thermal class
Motor protection type
Design requirement
Net weight
Braking torque
Broke voltage

[Liter] : 19,5 [Liter] : 1,2 [mm] : 450 [KW] : 0,75 : S1-100% : IE2 [%] : 79,2 / 81,3 / 81 : Yes [V] : 230/400 [A] : 2,9 / 1,68 : 0,79 : 155(F) : IP55 : IEC [Kg] : 277,7 [Nm] : 5 [V] : 230

[1/min] : 1435 [1/min] : 1,1 : 1263,00 [Nm] : 5690

: 1,40 : M3 [*] : 0 : X [mm] : 90 [N] : 65000

Additional feature and Options: BE05- SEW - disk brake BG - Simple rectifier Enclosure IP 55 - brake motor Thermal classification 155(F)

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Appendix V

Büter technical questionnaire

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Appendix VI Shear and compressive strain analysis

The following analyses have been made to confirm if the selected diameter will be sufficient for the locking pins of the frame manipulator.

Effective shear stress

$$\tau = \frac{F}{A}$$

 $au = shear \ stress$ $F = applied \ force \ [N] = 11281,5 \ [N]$ $A = stressed \ material \ diameter = = 1/4\pi 30^2$

$$\tau = \frac{11281,5}{1/4\pi 30^2} = 15,9 \left[\frac{N}{mm^2}\right]$$

Maximum allowable shear stress

$$\overline{\tau} = 0.5 * ReH$$

$$ReH = elastic limit / yieldpoint \left[\frac{N}{mm^2}\right]$$

$$\tau = shear stress$$

The pins will be made from S235 steel, which has a yield point of 235 $\left[\frac{N}{mm^2}\right]$

$$\overline{\tau} = 0.5 * 235 = 117.7 \left[\frac{N}{mm^2}\right]$$

The effective shear stress is compared to the maximum allowable shear stress to verify the pins will be able to withstand the stress that will be applied to them.

$$\overline{\tau} \ge \tau$$

$$117,7 \ge 15,9$$

The shear stress in this situation is smaller than the maximum allowable shear stress, thus the chosen diameter can be used for the pins.

Compressive strain

The compressive strain is also calculated to verify the pins can withstand the stress and not deform under stress. The minimum required safety factor for the pins is a factor 5.

$$\tau_{compst} = \frac{F}{A_{proj}}$$

$$A_{proj} = 15 * 30 = 450 \ [mm^2]$$

$$\tau_{compst} = \frac{11281,5}{450} = 25,07 \ \left[\frac{N}{mm^2}\right]$$

$$V_{pen} = \frac{235}{25,07} = 9,37$$





Appendix VII SKF bearing housing specifications







Appendix VIII Laser cutting time calculation

The following worksheet is used in Excel to calculate how much time the laser needs to cut a part Using NX 8.0 the cutting contours are calculated and inserted in to the following Excel sheet.

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After this calculation has been repeated for each part the required time can be summed up so that the costs of the laser can be calculated.





Appendix IX Parts List

NX Part number Description		Qty.	Material
VNRAM-0053 Support clamp	clevis	1	S235
VNRAM-0055 Frame manipul	ator assembly	-	-
VNRAM-0059 Tilt clamp base	plate	1	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0060 Tilt clamp side	plates	2	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0063 Tilt clamp hinge	e plates	2	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0064 Tilt clamp asser	nbly	-	-
VNRAM-0065 Tilt clamp shaft		1	S235 90mm round
VNRAM-0067 Support clamp	base plate	1	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0068 Support clamp	side plate 1	1	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0069 Support clamp	plain hinge plate	1	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0070 Support clamp	braked hinge plate	1	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0072 Support clamp	assembly	-	-
VNRAM-0073 Support clamp	side plate 2	1	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0074 Gear motor mo	ounting flange	1	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0075 Mounting fram	e base plate	1	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0076 Mounting fram	e assembly	-	-
VNRAM-0077 Mounting fram	e diagonal flange reinforcement	2	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0079 Mounting fram	e diagonal reinforcement 1	1	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0080 Mounting fram	e diagonal reinforcement 2	1	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0081 Mounting fram	e housing reinforcement	1	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0082 Mounting fram	e perpendicular reinforcement	1	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0083 Support clamp	end position limit plate	2	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0084 Clamp brake su	pported plate	1	S235 5mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0085 Clamp brake se	condary plate	1	S235 5mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0087 Inductive sense	or holder	3	S235 1mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0088 Pin lock		3	S235 34mm round
VNRAM-0092 Gear motor bo	x	1	S235 1mm sheet metal
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VNRAM-0097 Base frame pill	ars	4	tubing
VNRAM-0098 Cylinder base		2	S235 15mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0099 Base frame floo	or plate	1	S235 1mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0100 Base frame sec	uring plates	6	S235 5mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0101 Base frame cov	er plate	1	S235 5mm sheet metal
VNRAM-0102 Base frame ass	embly	-	-
VNRAM-0104 Gear motor fla	nge spacer	1	S235 5mm sheet metal
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KVG Part number	Description	Qty.	Material
KG01069900	Lock nut M8	5	Stainless steel
KG01263900	SS washer M8	5	Stainless steel
KG00652900	Carriage bolt M8*30	2	Stainless steel
KG00653200	Carriage bolt M8*50	3	Stainless steel
KG00750700	Tapping screw 5,5*19	16	Stainless steel
KG00362362	Hex bolt M16 *70	16	Steel
KG01267762	Washer M16	32	Steel
KG01072662	Lock nut M16	16	Steel
KG00365162	Hex Bolt M18 * 100	2	Steel
VN30597900	Hex nut M18	2	Steel
KG01267862	Washer M18	4	Steel





Appendix X Engineering drawings



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