

# Growing into a 5 axis

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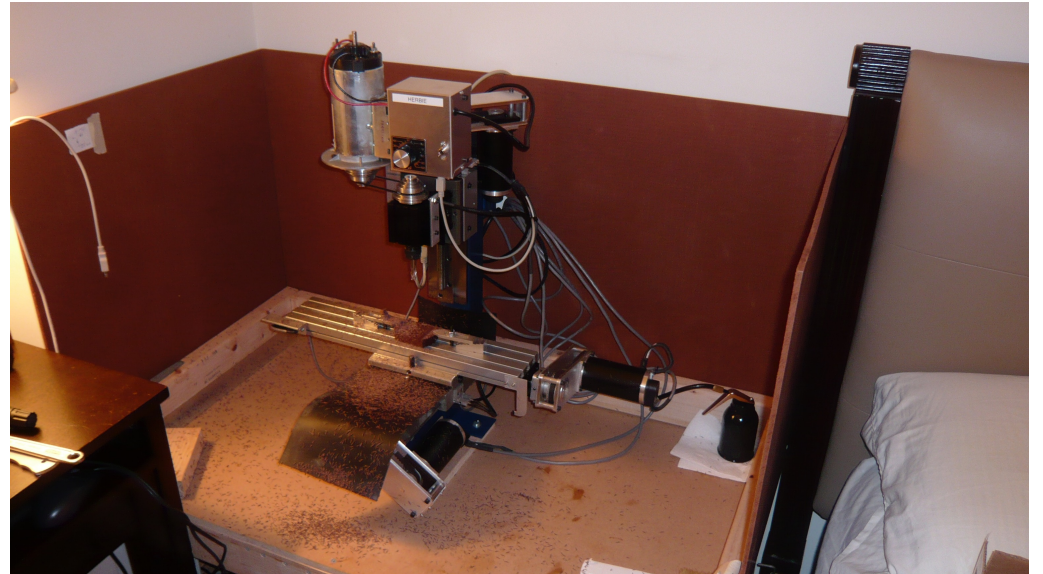
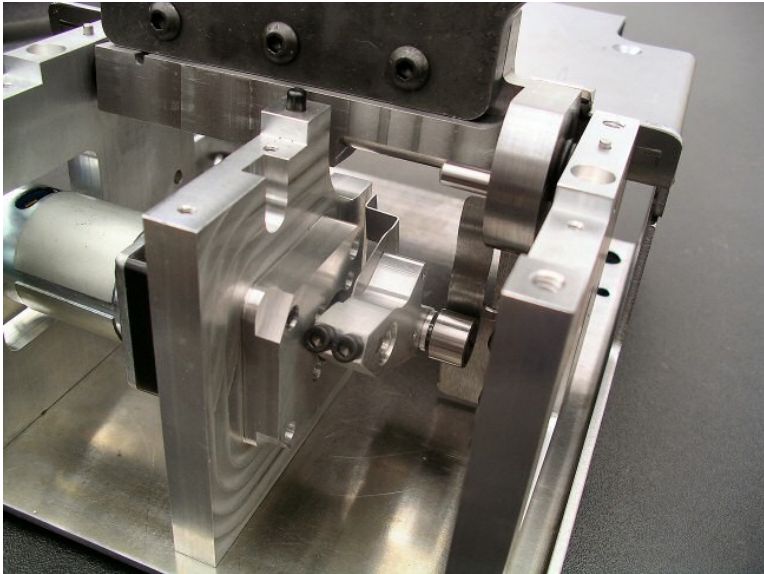


## About the speaker

- **Saunders Machine Works**
  - Fixture Plates & Mod Vise
- **NYC CNC**
  - YouTube Channel on CNC Machining, Fusion 360
  - NYCCNC.com – Manufacturing Entrepreneurship Resources
  - Hands On CNC Training Classes
- **ProvenCut**
  - Use it each time you program a new part
  - Better Feeds & Speeds

John, his wife, and two children are proud to call Zanesville, Ohio home

## 2007: Trying to Develop a Product





A wide-angle photograph of a large industrial machine shop. The room is filled with various CNC machines, including lathes and mills, arranged in rows. A person is visible working at a machine in the background. The floor is polished concrete, and the ceiling has exposed steel beams and lighting fixtures. A dog is standing in the middle of the shop floor.



## Class Goal

*5-Axis isn't for other people!*

# Topics

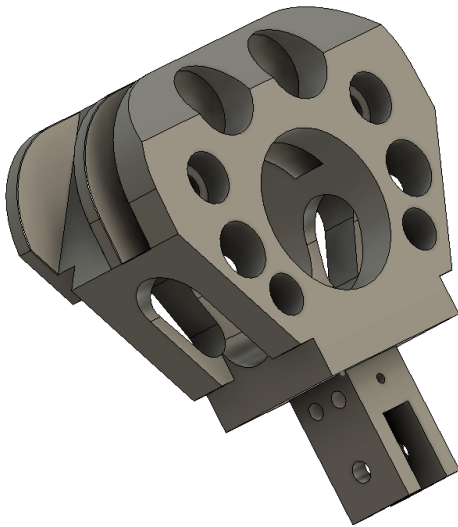
- What is 5-Axis
- Sample Parts: Basics of how to Program
- Workholding
- Buying: Machines, Tools, Holders, Software
- Our Next Steps, Resources for you



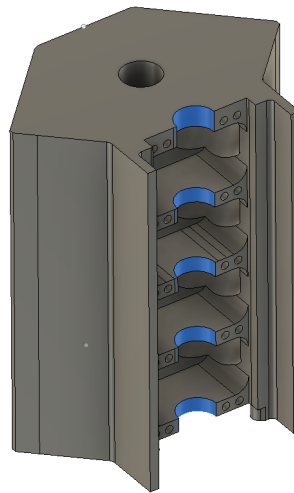


## 5 Axis Parts

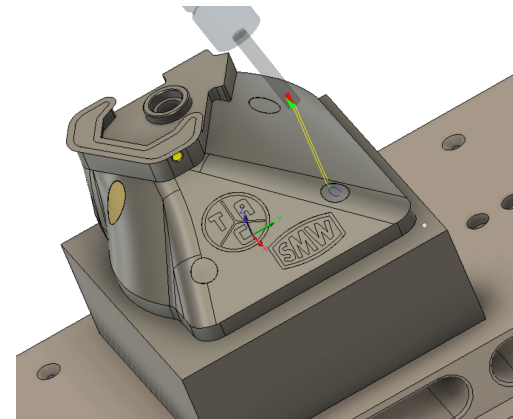
3+2



Hybrid  
Simultaneous

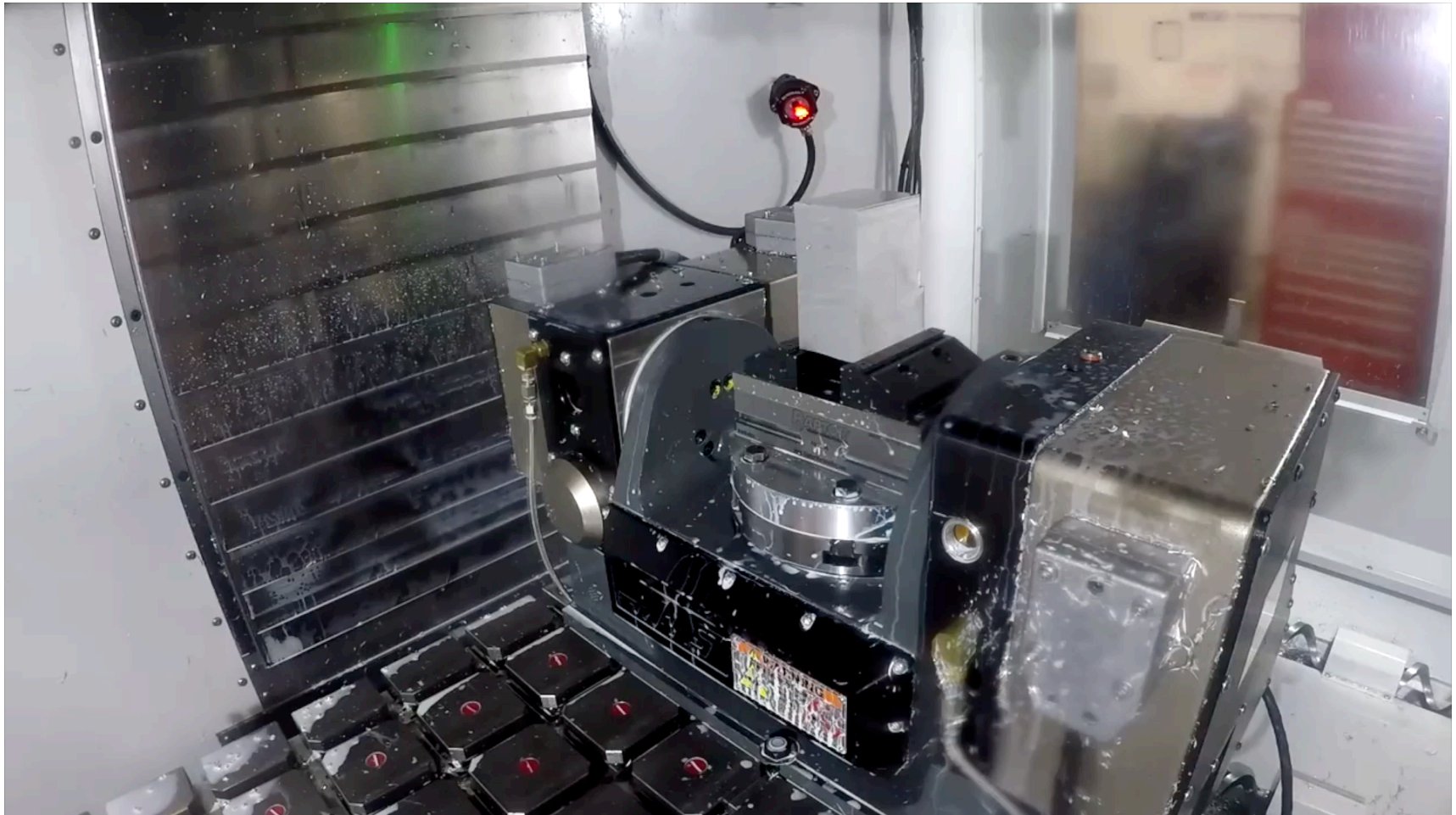


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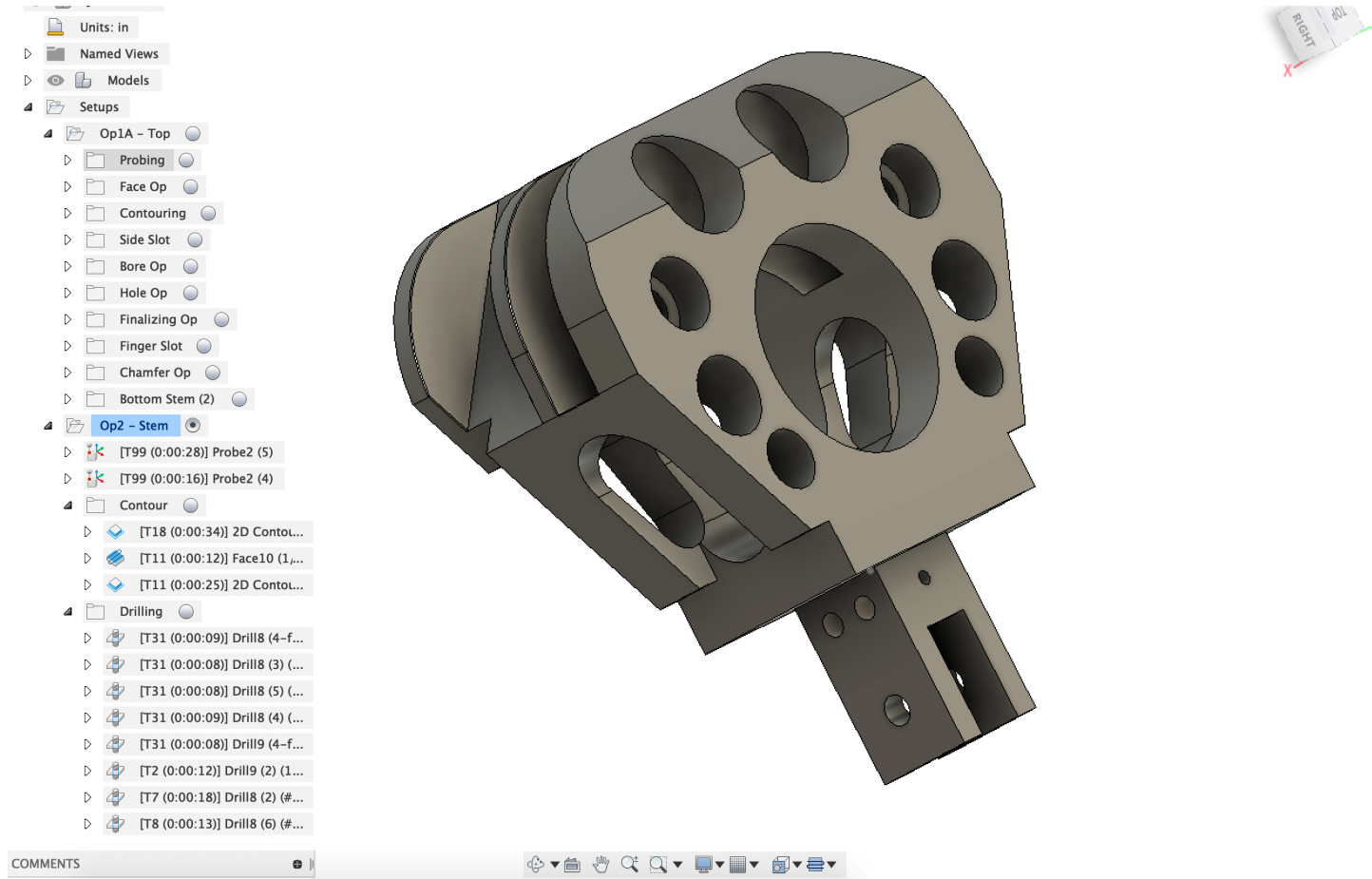




## Johnny 5 Wrist



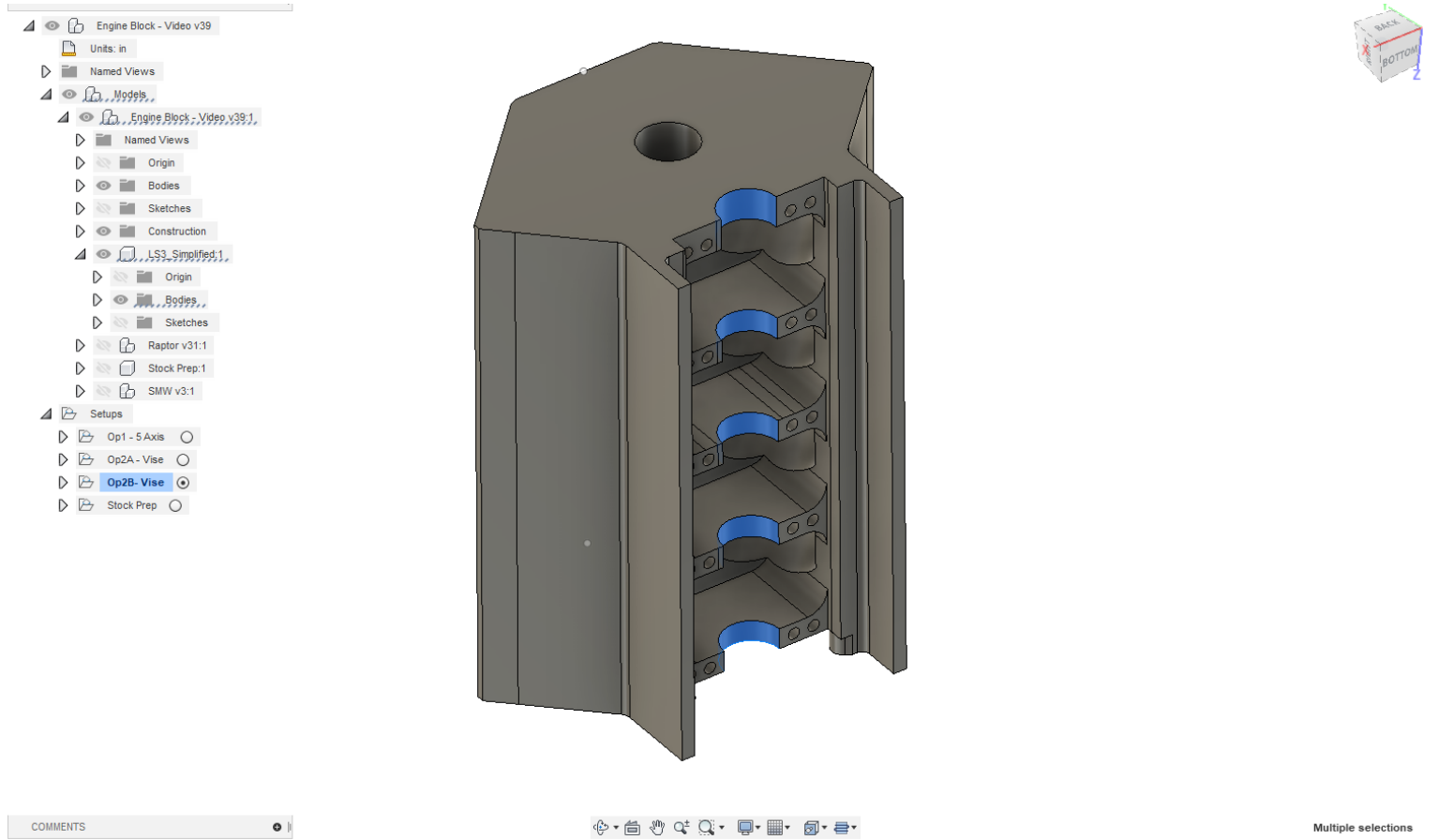
# Johnny 5 Wrist



- CAM Program Demonstration: Positional (Tool Orientation)

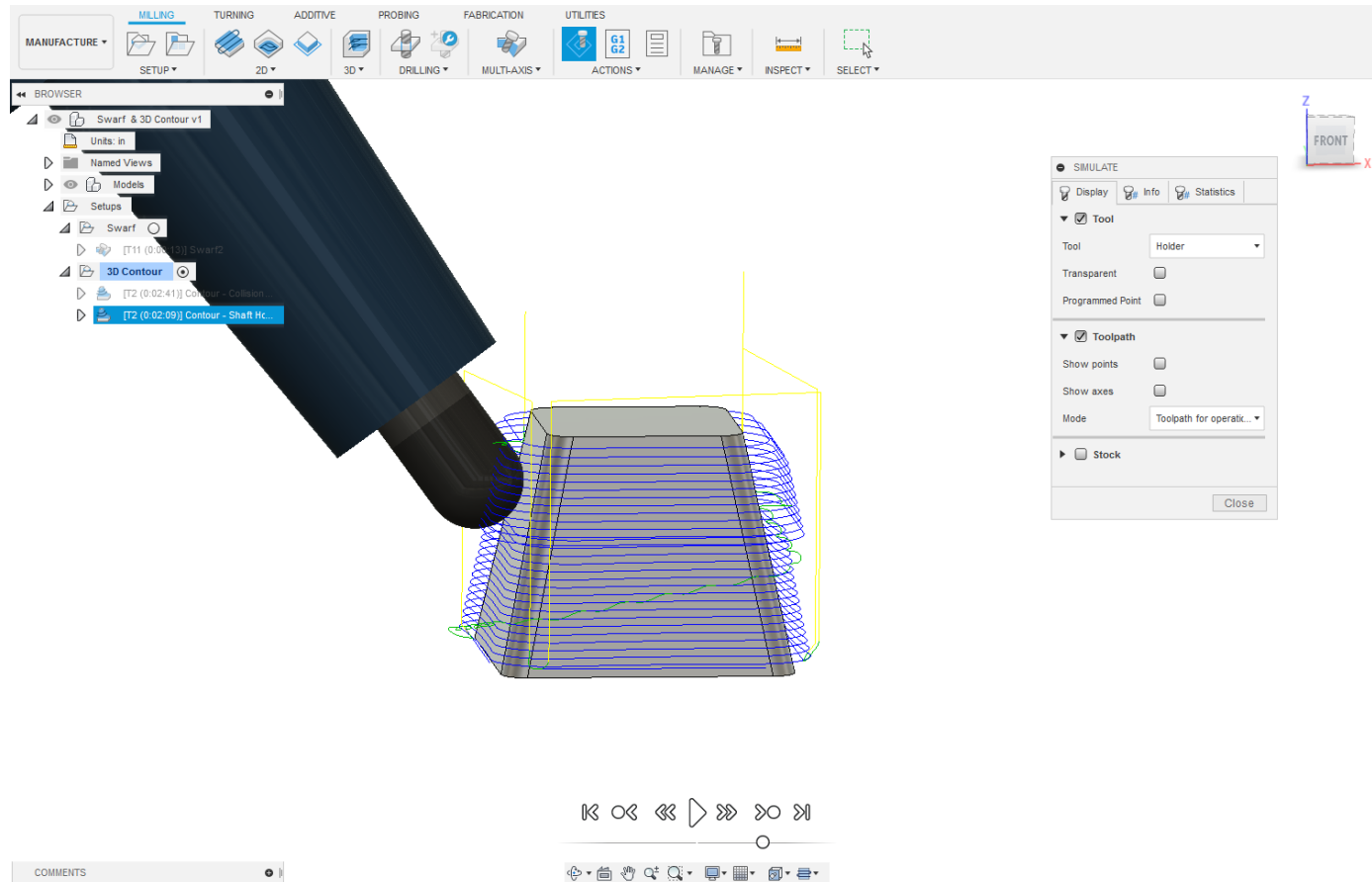


# V8 Block



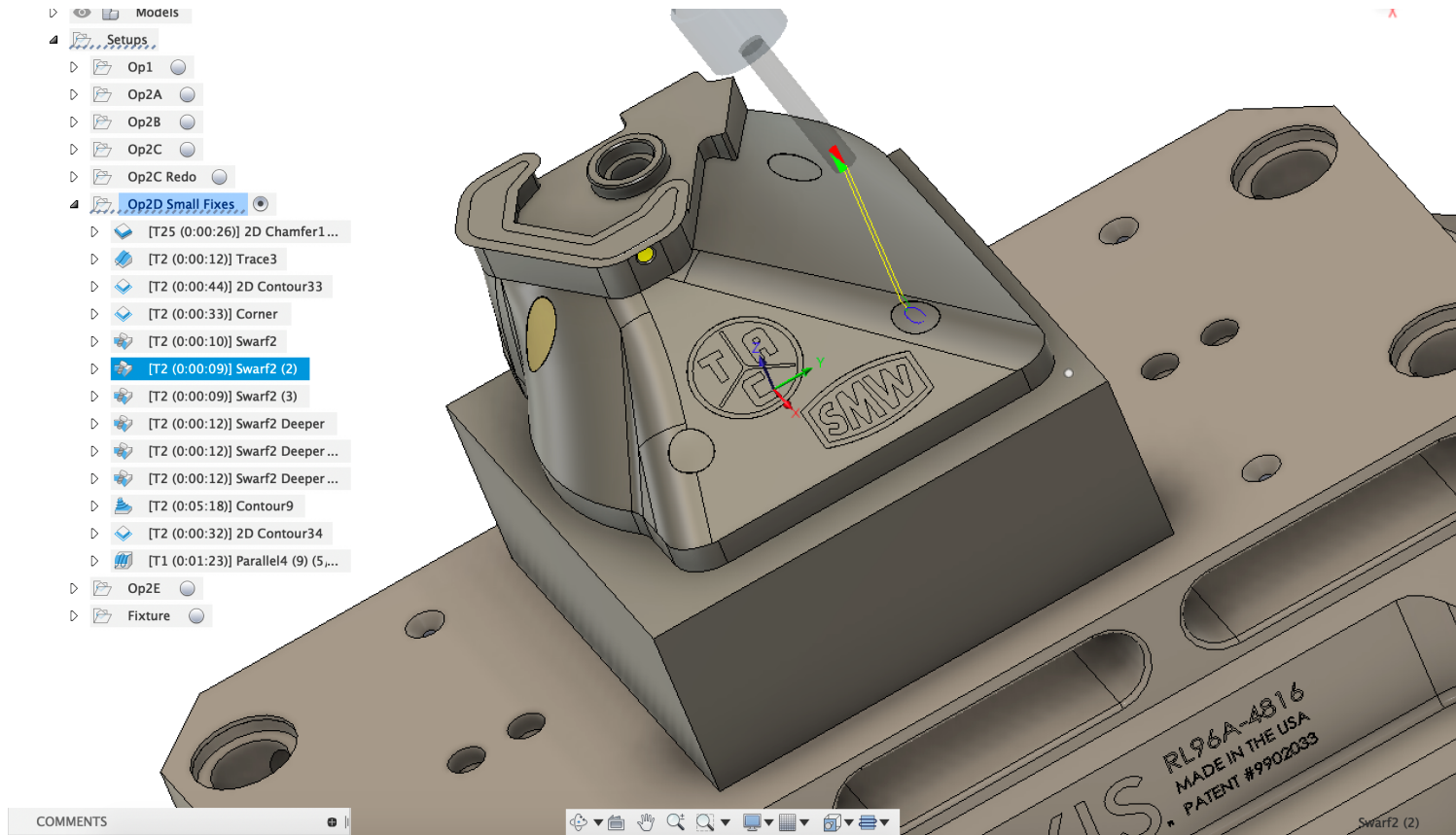
- CAM Program Demonstration: 3D Contour

# Reducing Stickout



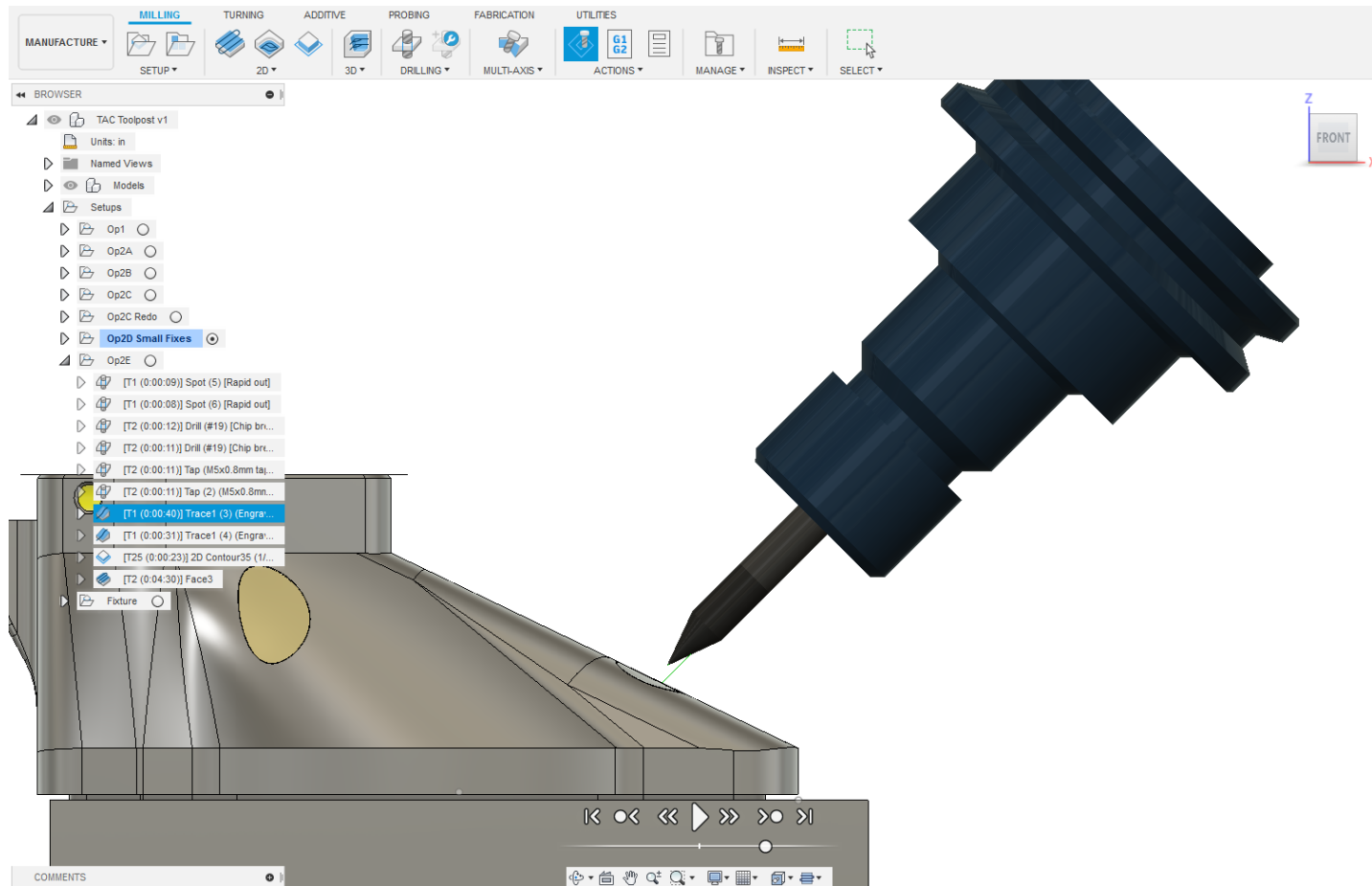


# Lathe Toolpost Riser



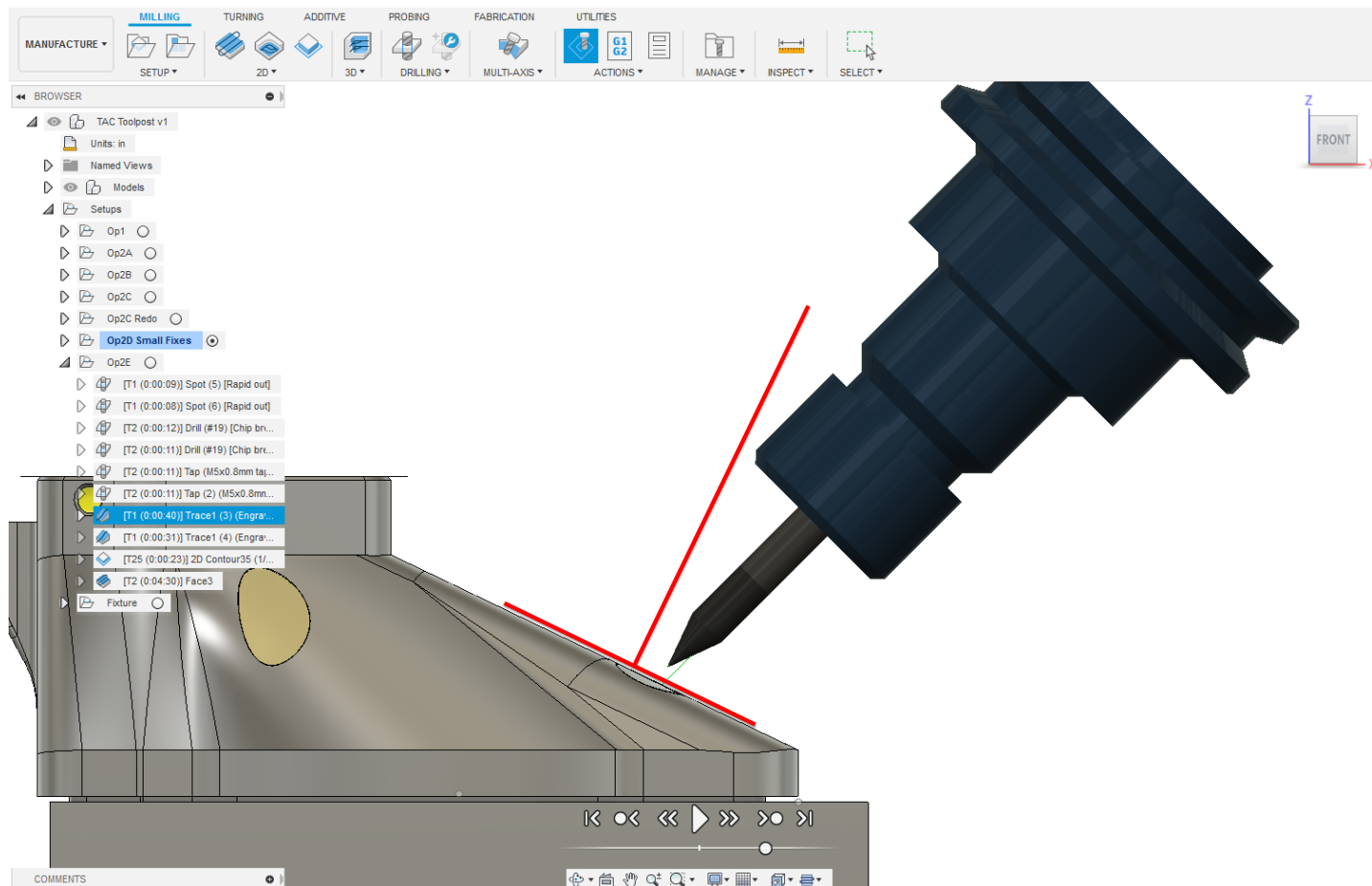
- CAM Program Demonstration: Swarf

# Lathe Toolpost Riser



- CAM Program Demonstration: Engrave != Normal to Surface

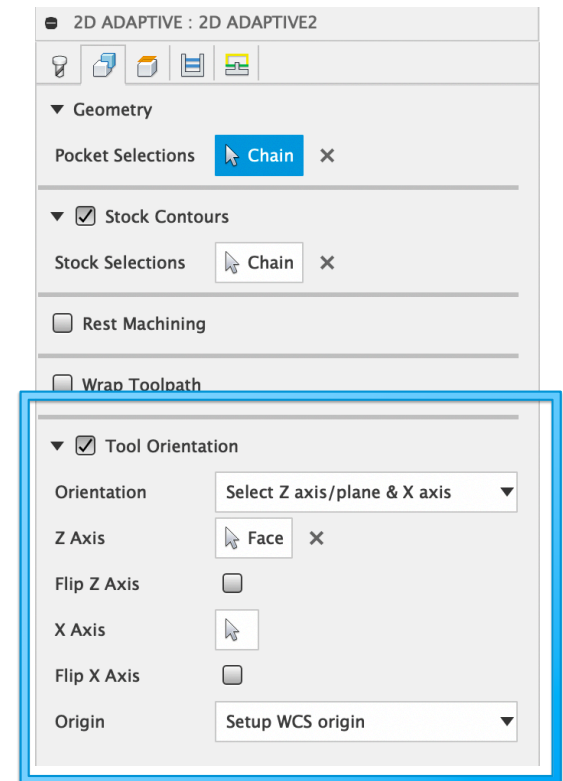
# Lathe Toolpost Riser



- CAM Program Demonstration: Engrave != Normal to Surface

# Programming Tips!

- Tool Orientation: set Z [X and Y (generally) do not matter]
- Improvements coming to automatically set Z – e.g. hole wizard
- Templates are your friend
- Sketch geometry to contain Adaptive toolpaths (to avoid fixtures, vises)
- PRO TIP: Re-name your sketches!

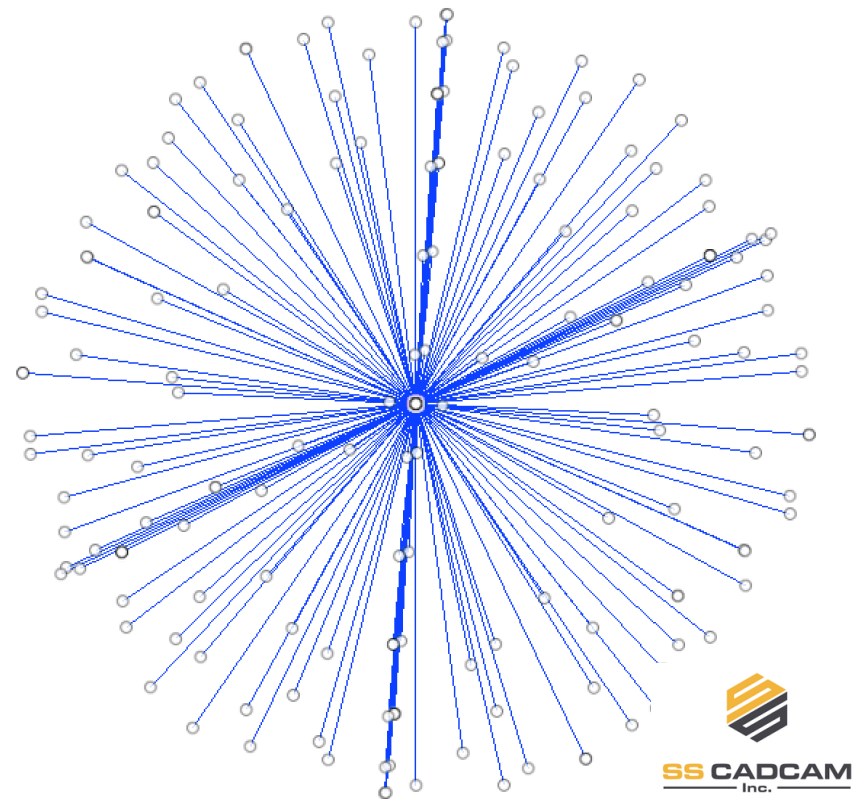


- CAM Program Demonstration: Adaptive Roughing (avoid 5<sup>th</sup> axis vise)

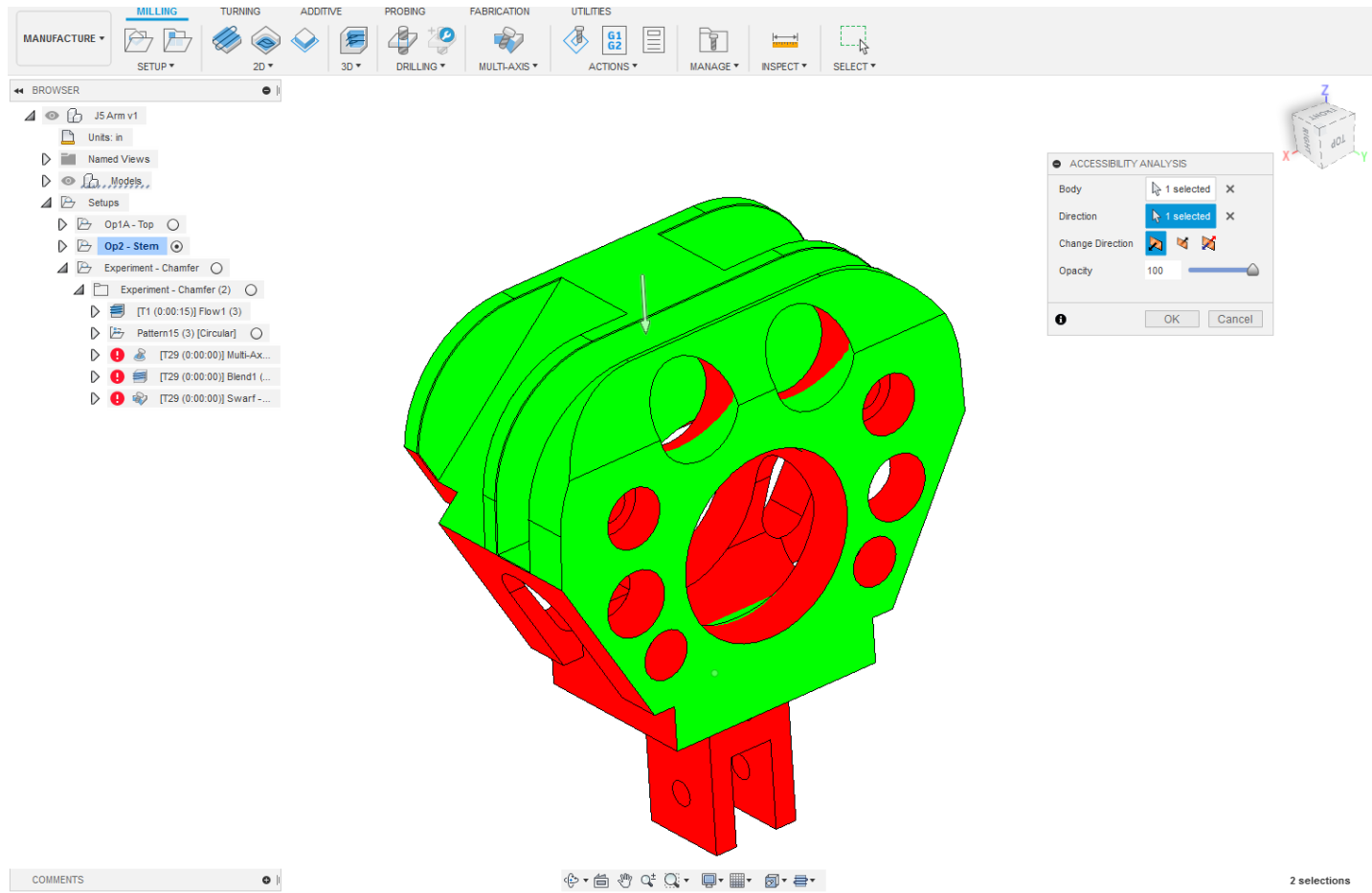


# Star Globe

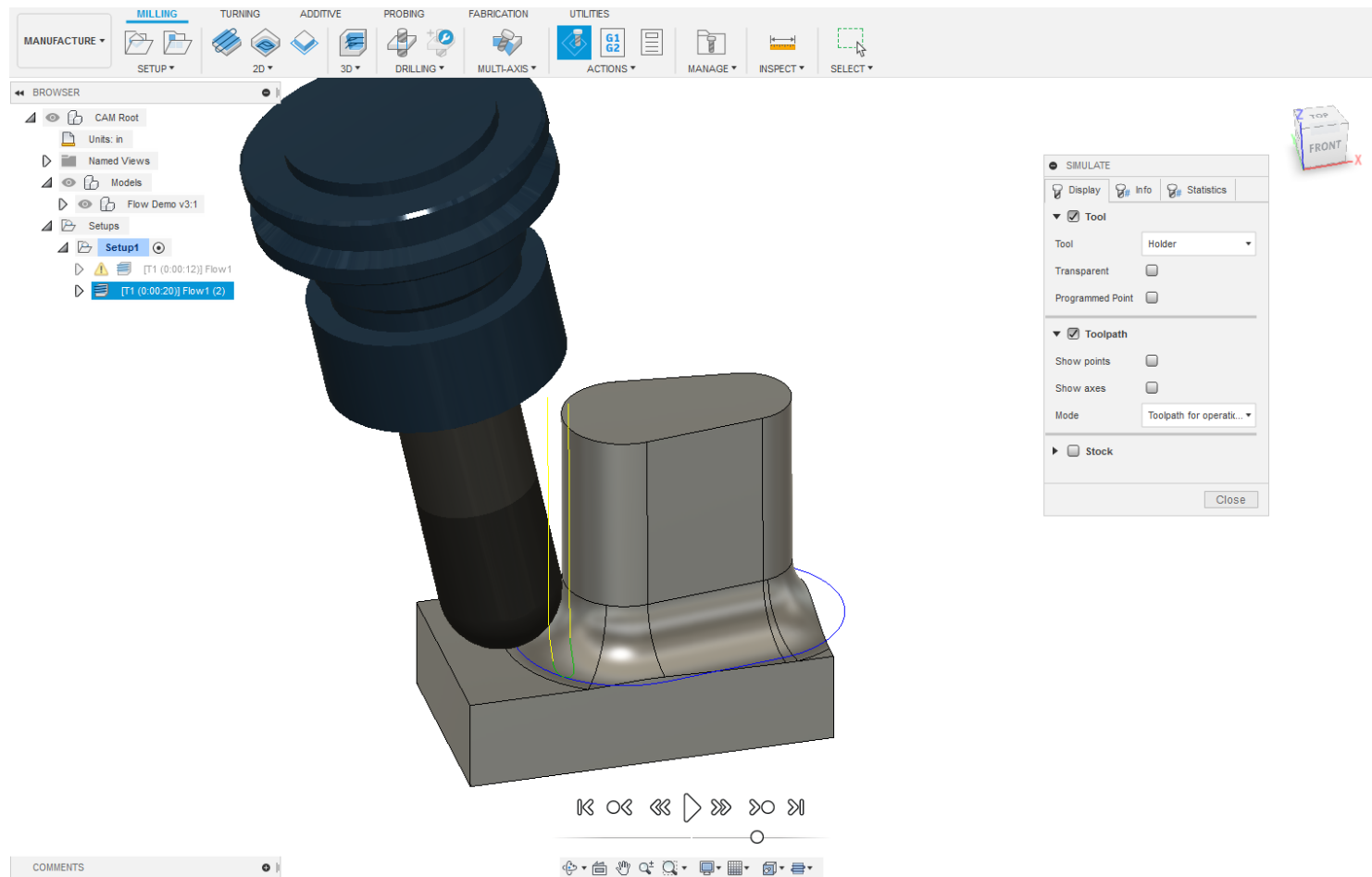
- Set Tool Orientation to an existing sketch (axis)
- Saves the time and hassle of creating individual sketches, planes, construction geometry



# Accessibility Analysis

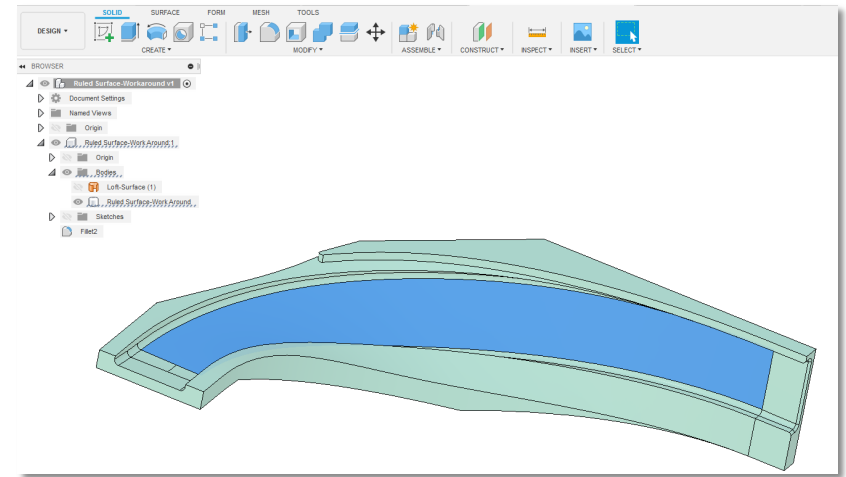


# Flow



## When do I *need* 5-axis?

- Features that require additional setups
- 5 (even 6!) sides of prismatic part
- Angled features
- Tool path where projected toolpath could not see/reach
- Deep Geometry (prohibitive tool length)



## When can I *benefit* from 5-axis?

- Engrave & surface without using tip of tool
- “Work” the part – rough at multiple positions, then come back to finish machine
- Mistake when almost done? Just re-run part!
- Probe machined features (e.g. B90): easier, better.
- CNC chamfer (chamfer tool or swarf with end mill)



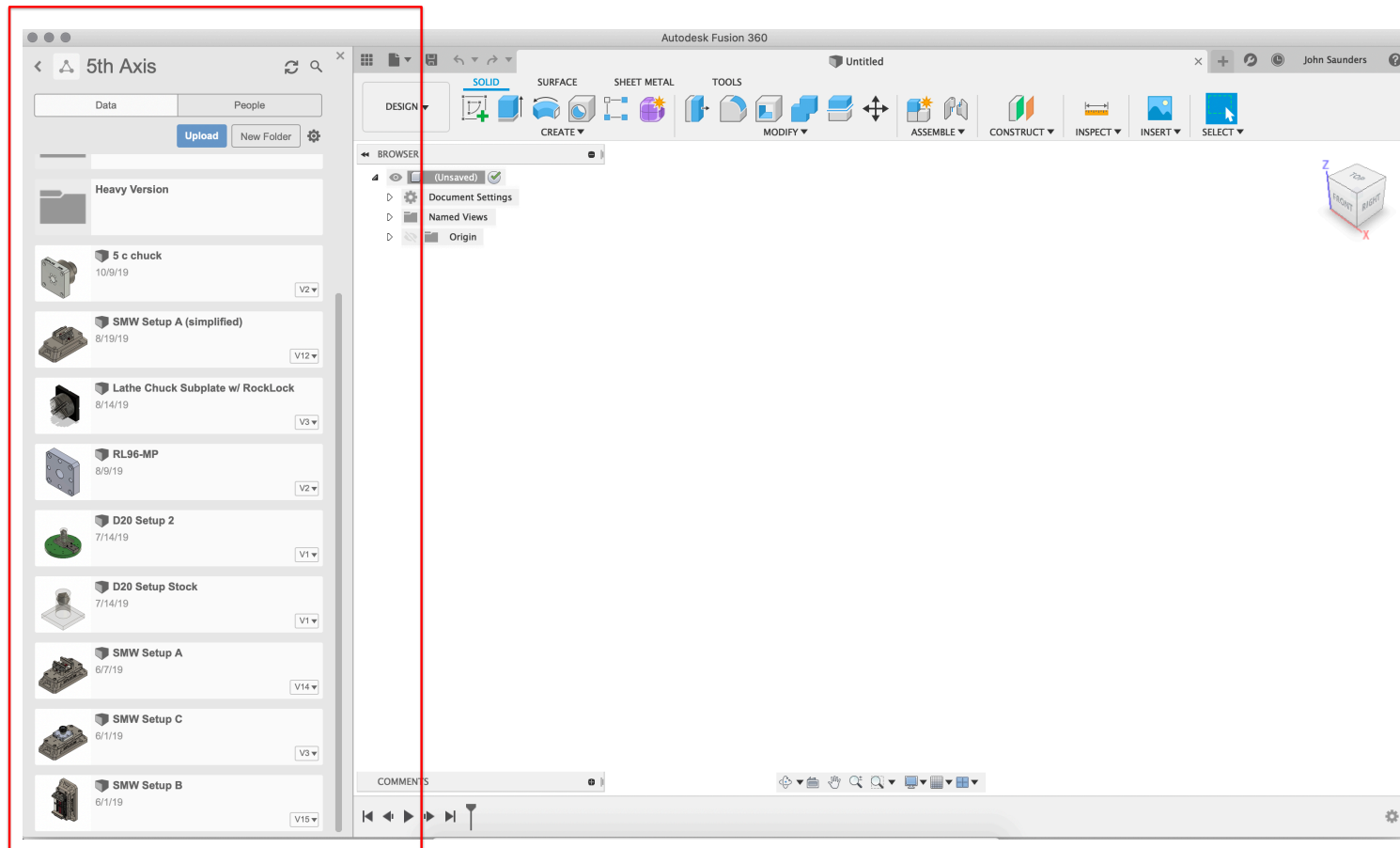
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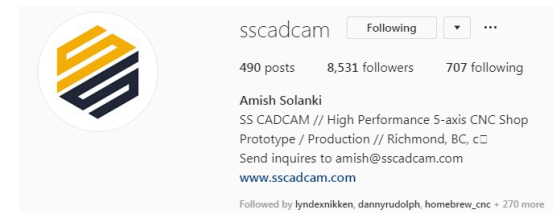
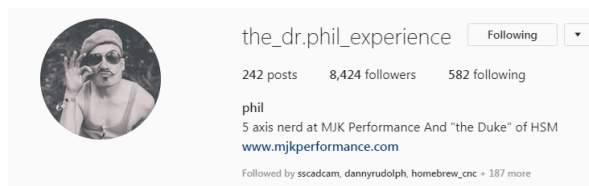
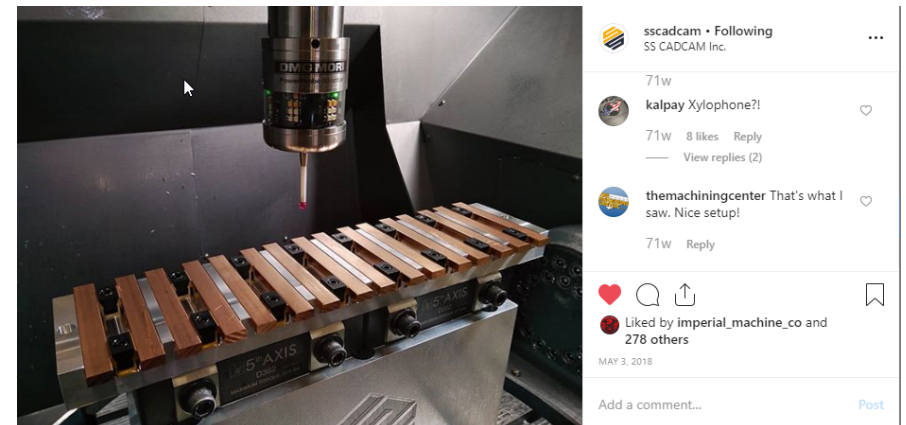
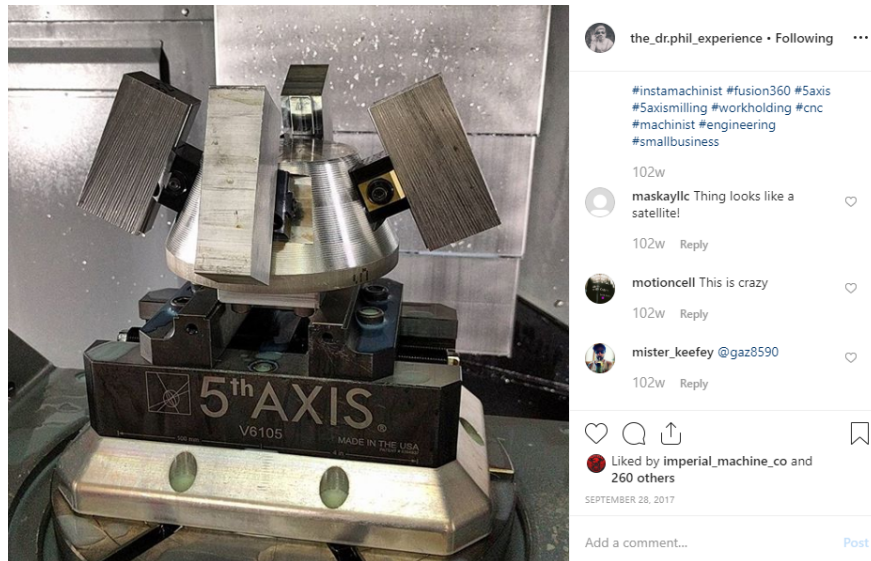
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# Workholding Templates



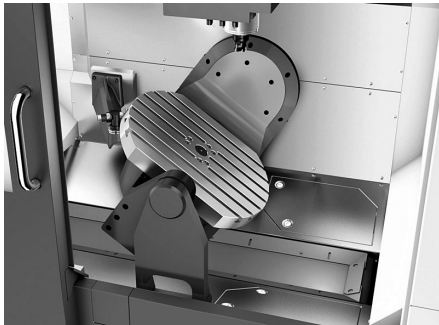
# Production Workholding Examples





# Machine Designs

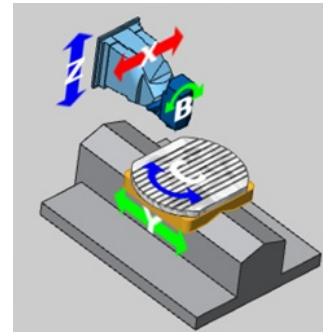
TABLE / TABLE



HEAD / HEAD



HEAD / TABLE



MULTI-TASK



*Move whichever weighs less: head or workpiece*



# Buying a 5 Axis Machine Tool

- Emphasis: **Total Manufacturing Solution**
- Quality, Capability, Technical Specs, Service, Control....
- What happens if/when you crash?
- Verification Software (Camplete TruePath)
- More than just brand or model of the Machine Tool
- Post Processor, support, control, machine features, automation / automation-ready, price, service

## Machine Specs

- Match machine to part size
- ATC: as large as possible!
- Probing
- Chip removal (washdown, conveyor)
- Air/Hydraulic through table
- Thru-Spindle, Thru-Air
- Buy options that cannot be field upgraded
- Training

## Process Reliability

- Tool Break Detection
- TSC (Thru-Spindle Coolant / Air)
- Breaking Chips: corn rob, rougher, pecking
- Wash Down System
- Chip Removal (conveyor)

# TOOL HOLDERS

**MARITool**

ER16-5.0M



**MARITool**

ER20-4.5MT



**MARITool**

SHRINK



**W/G**

HYDRAULIC



## Core tool library



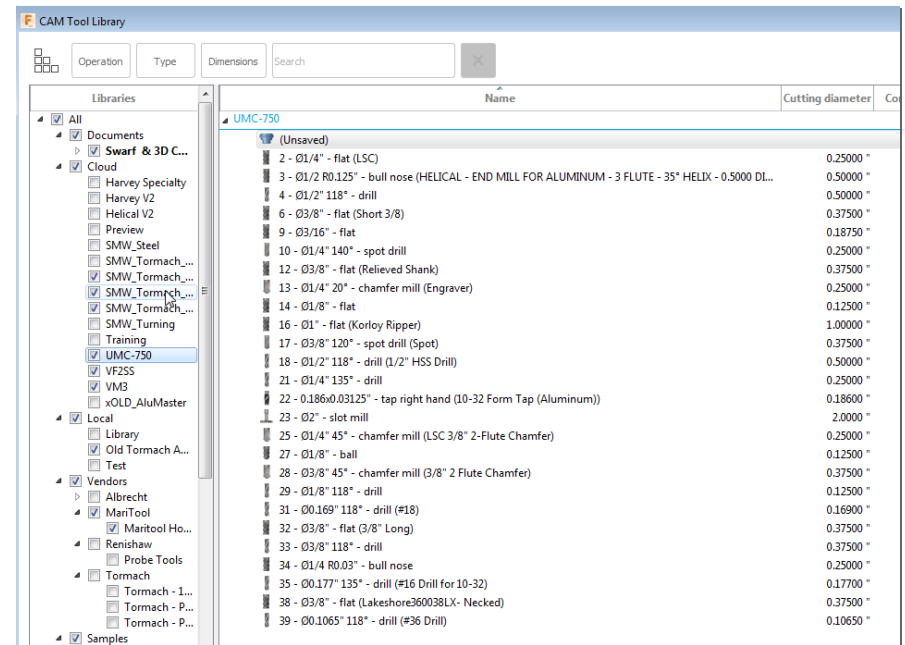
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# Core tool library

- Program offline / remote
- Learn recipes for certain tools
- Tool setups take time
- Searching for new [holder, collet, etc]

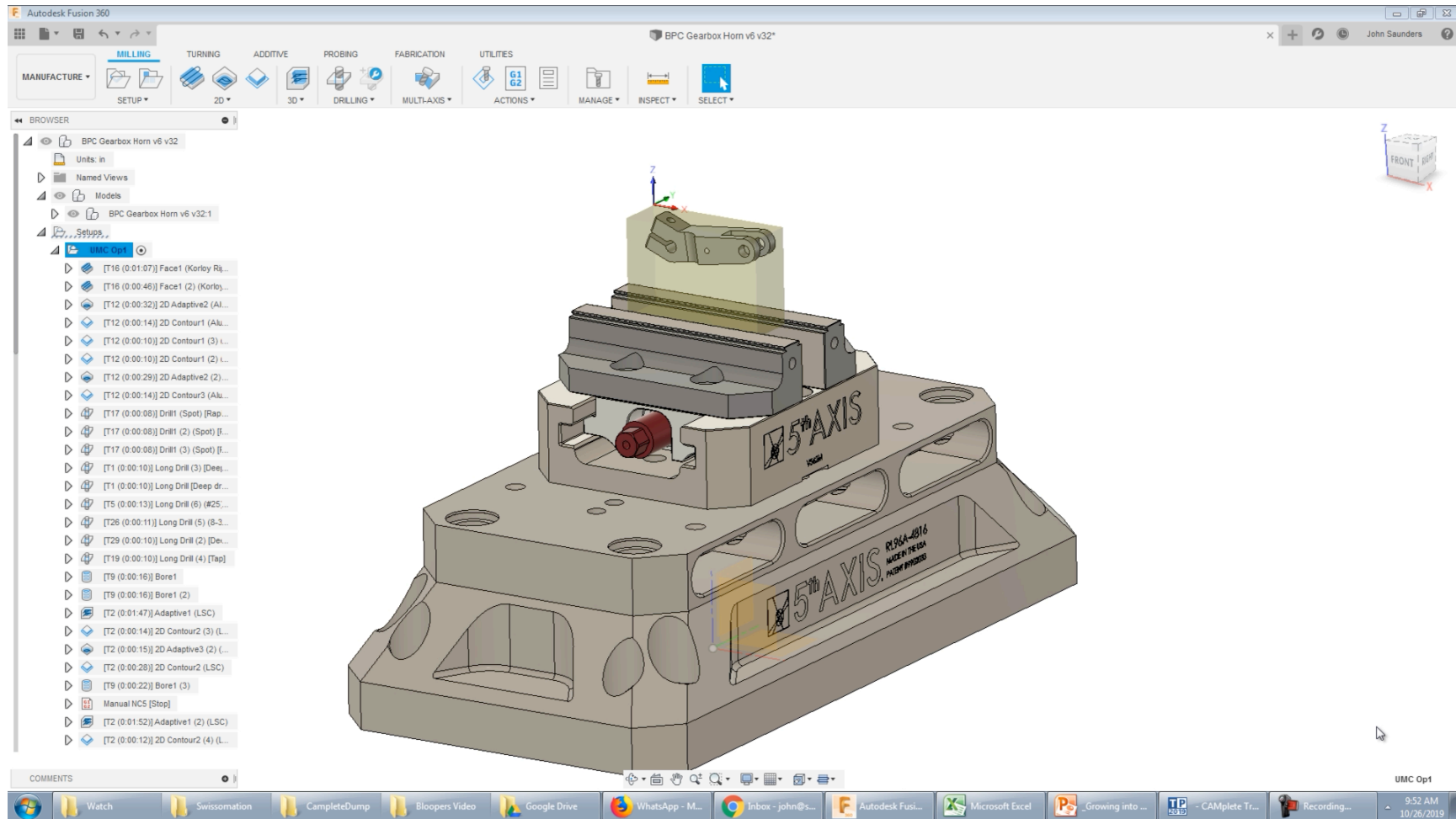
## Benefits:

- Less stress
- Confidence in workflows
- Better machining decisions
- Programmed & saved stickouts
- Avoid hunting holders, wrenches, collets, etc
- Cost of first crash = ~\$5k. That's a lot of holders.





# Complete Truepath



# Resources

- NYCCNC.com & YouTube
- NYC CNC Training Classes
- ProvenCut: Pre-created toolpaths
- Fusion 360 CAM Samples
- Autodesk Forums
- Autodesk / YouTube Webinars





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