



# Our Design - Innovation

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- Capable of peak production when properly focused
- With tracking system trough continuously focused on sun



# Tracking Methods Options

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- 4 ways to focus on Sun
  - 1-Manually adjust trough periodically
  - 2-Open loop system continually moving throughout day after initial start
  - 3-Using heat sensors connected to motors in a closed loop/feedback control system(electronic).
  - 4-Purely mechanical closed loop system



# Fluid Phase Change Tracking System

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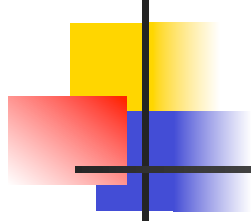
- Passive purely mechanical system.
  - Easily maintained
  - Easily built
  - Closed loop control
  - No human interference required



# Technical Revelations

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- Key concerns:
  - Two phase temperature versus ambient temperature
  - Mass shift per radiation intensity change
  - Trough inertia and rotational friction



# Sketch Model Revelations

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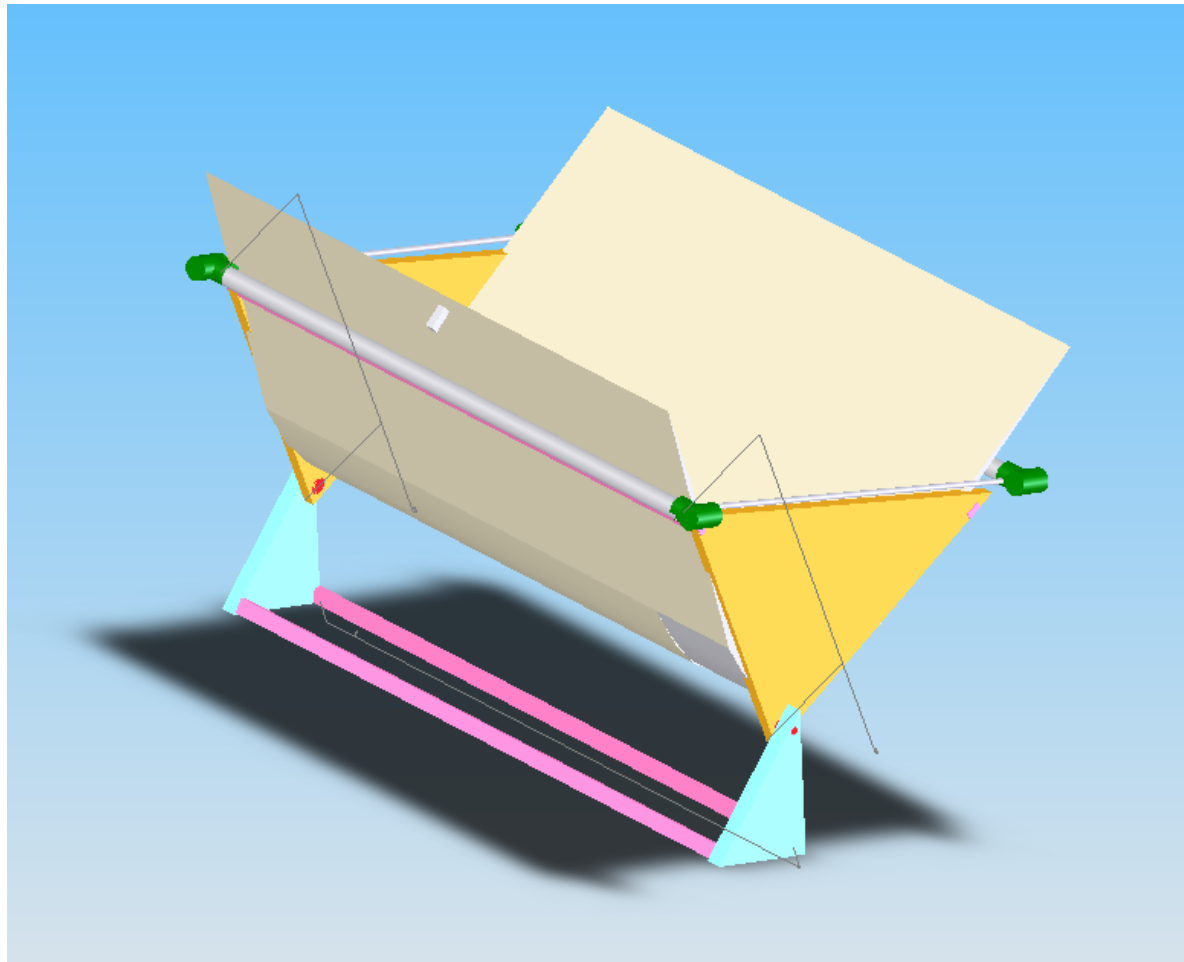
- Need tracking system on outside of the trough
- Symmetry key to stability of system
- Controlling canister weight support and attachment will be significant load



# Questions

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# Lesotho Information

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- Latitude:  $28^{\circ}$  to  $31^{\circ}$  south
- Typical winter min:  $-6.3^{\circ}$  to  $5.1^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Typical summer max:  $20^{\circ}$  to  $32^{\circ}\text{C}$