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**wooden frame  
*with side table***

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As a result of Bastien Sanglard's PhD thesis, it was established that parabolic solar cooking is more environmental friendly than gas, electric or induction cooking. Also, it has been shown that the carbon footprint of such solar cookers can be reduced by replacing existing aluminum frames by wooden frames.

This user manual will help you build your own solar cooker's wooden frame with replaceable parts. Compared to regular aluminium frames found on the market, the wooden solar cooker has several benefits : it is less expensive, more eco-friendly and facilitates the adoption of your solar cooker.

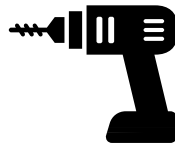
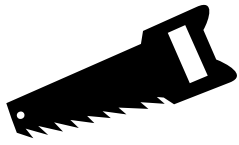
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# informations



adjustable wrench



Drill larger holes than  
the treaded rods

Ø7mm drill bit

(Ø9mm drill for 8mm  
threaded rods or  
Ø11mm for 110mm)

# tools



3 screws for the plate  
min.  $\varnothing 4 \times 50$  mm



pieces of wood  
 $400 \times 400 \times \text{min. } 18$



4 wood pieces  
 $48 \times 48 \times 2400$  mm



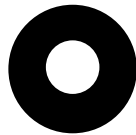
2 coach screws  
for the wheels  
 $\varnothing 12 \times 120$  mm



2 wheels  
min.  $\varnothing 125$  mm



2 screws  
 $\varnothing 6 \times 60$  mm



2 washers  
 $\varnothing 6$  mm



2 nuts  
 $\varnothing 6$  mm



14 threaded rods  
 $\varnothing^* \times \text{min. } 160$  mm



28 washers  
 $\varnothing^*$  mm

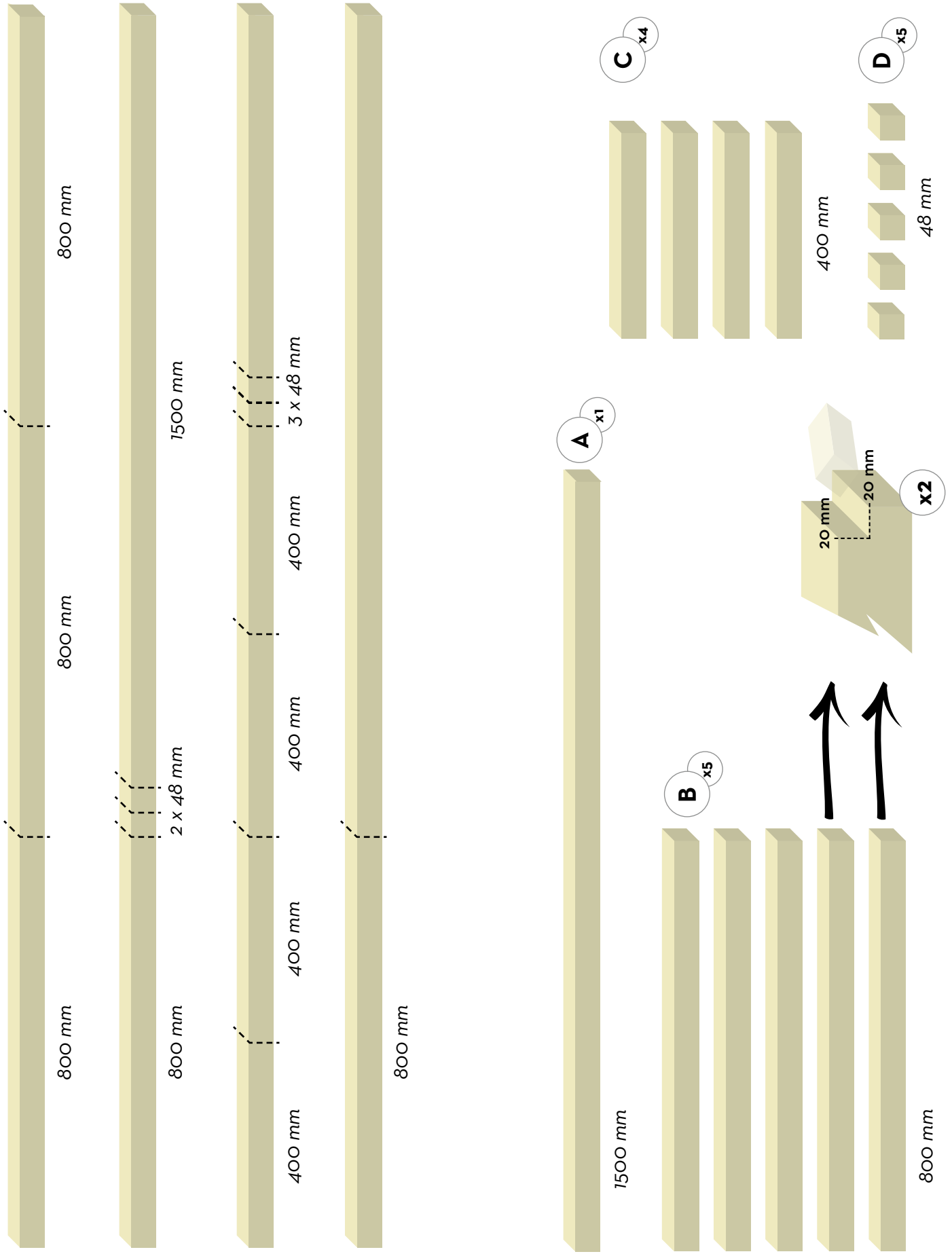


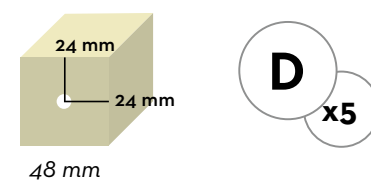
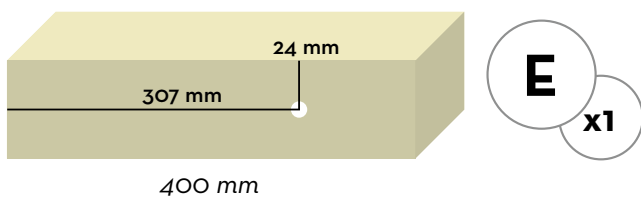
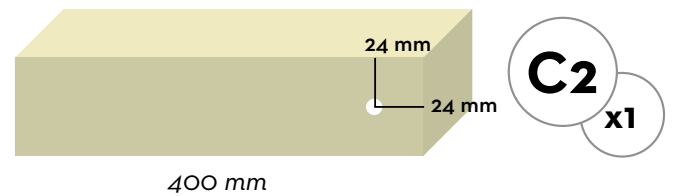
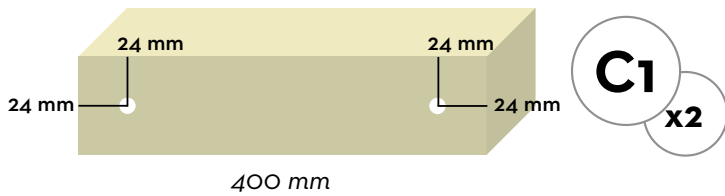
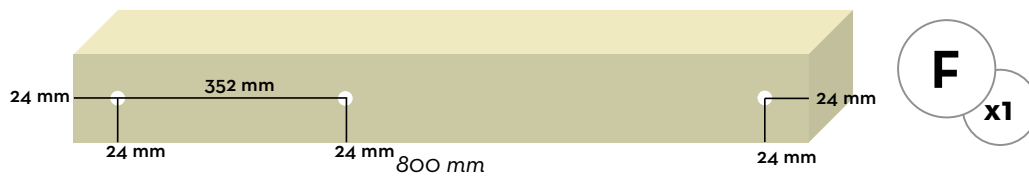
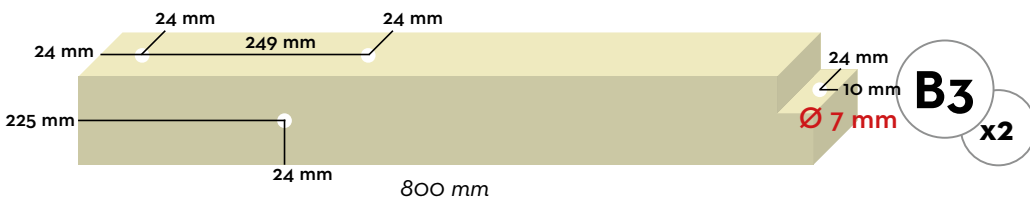
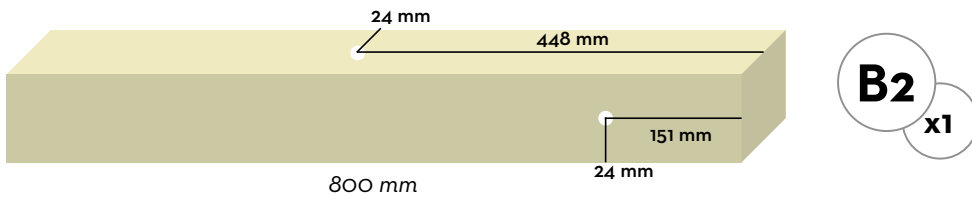
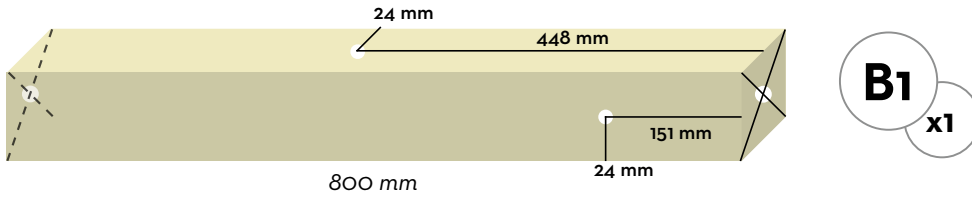
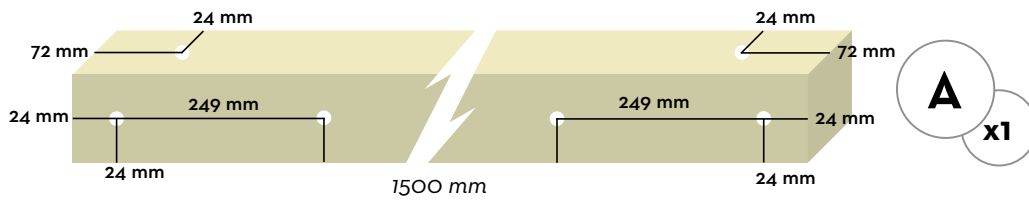
28 nuts  
 $\varnothing^*$  mm

$^* = \varnothing 8$  min. or  $\varnothing 10$  max.

# materials

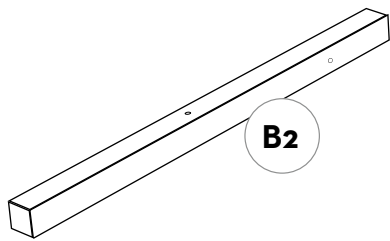
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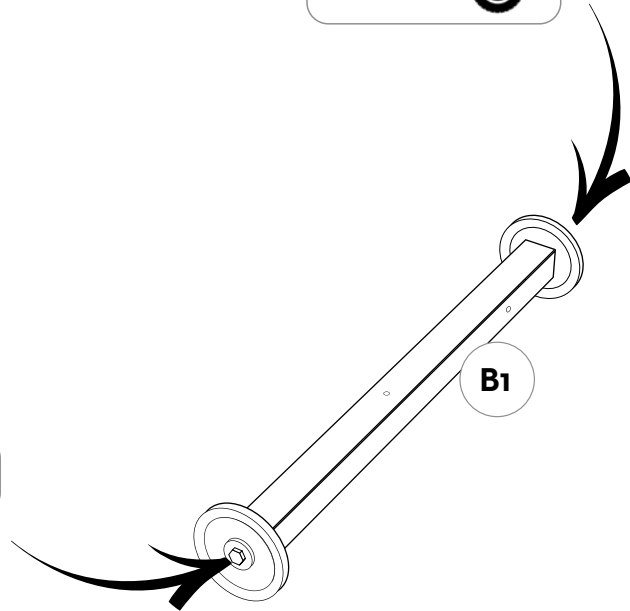


drill  $\varnothing 9\text{mm}$  or  $\varnothing 11\text{mm}$  holes unless otherwise indicated

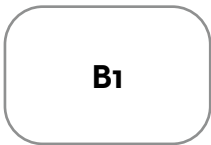
# drill the holes



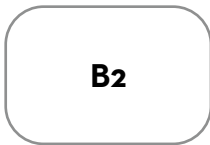
B2



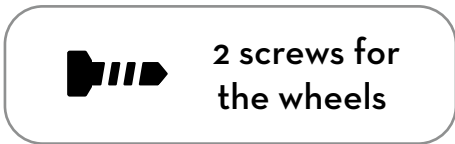
B1



B1



B2

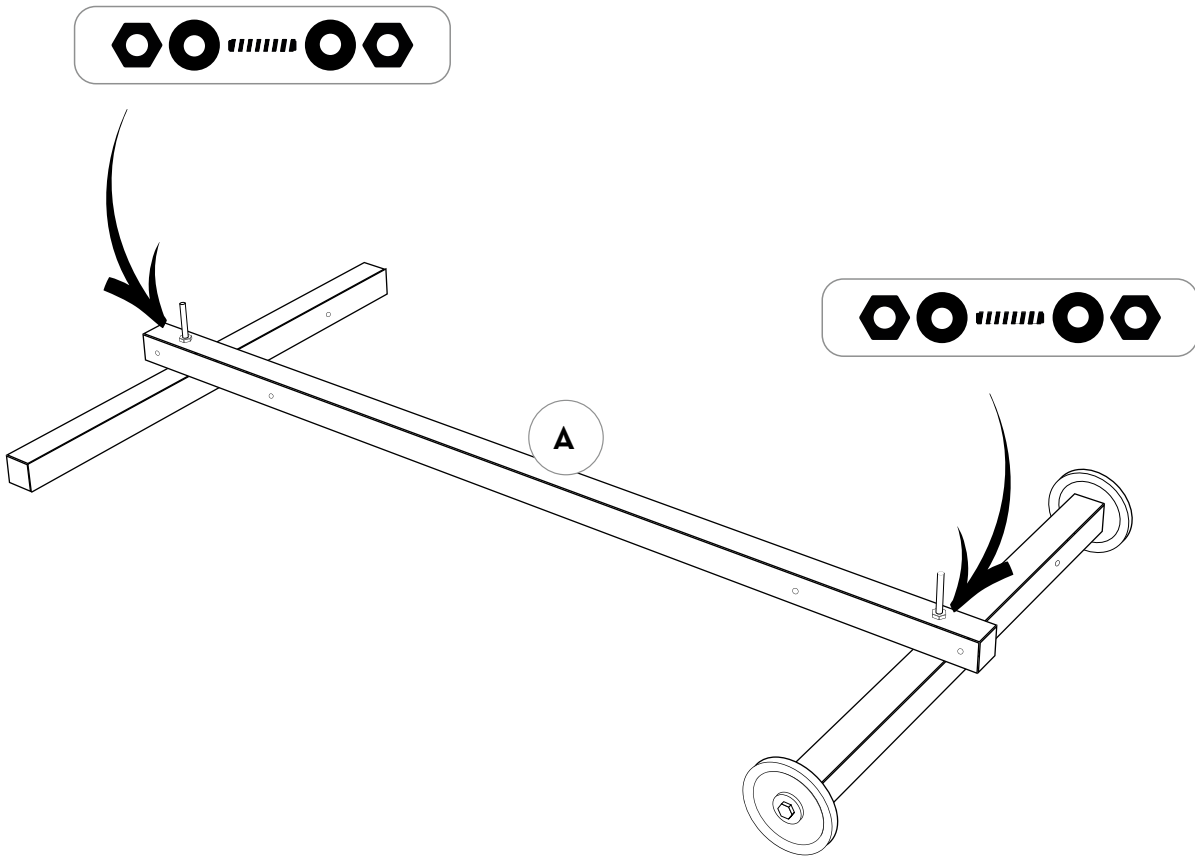


2 screws for  
the wheels



2 wheels

# assembly



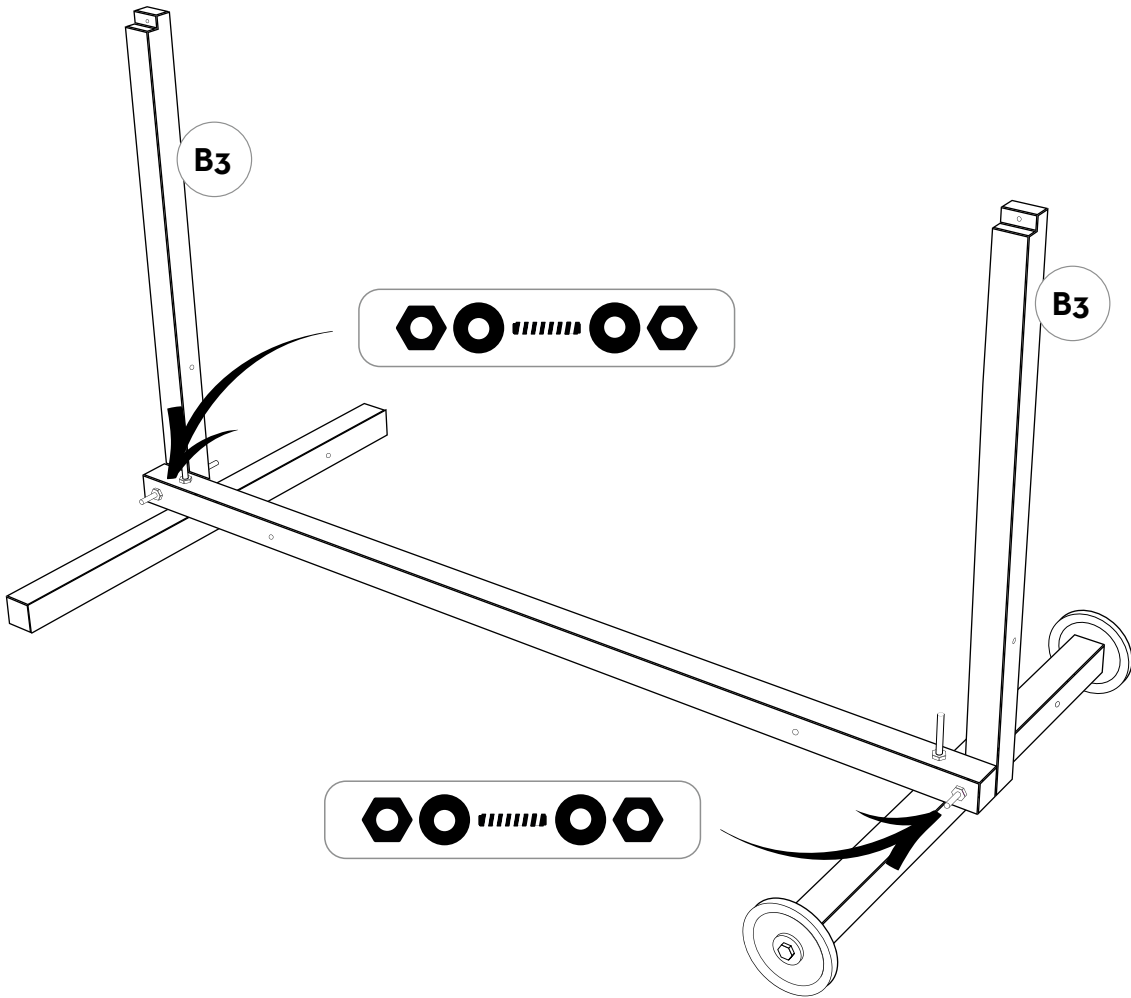
A

 2 threaded rods

 4 washers

 4 nuts



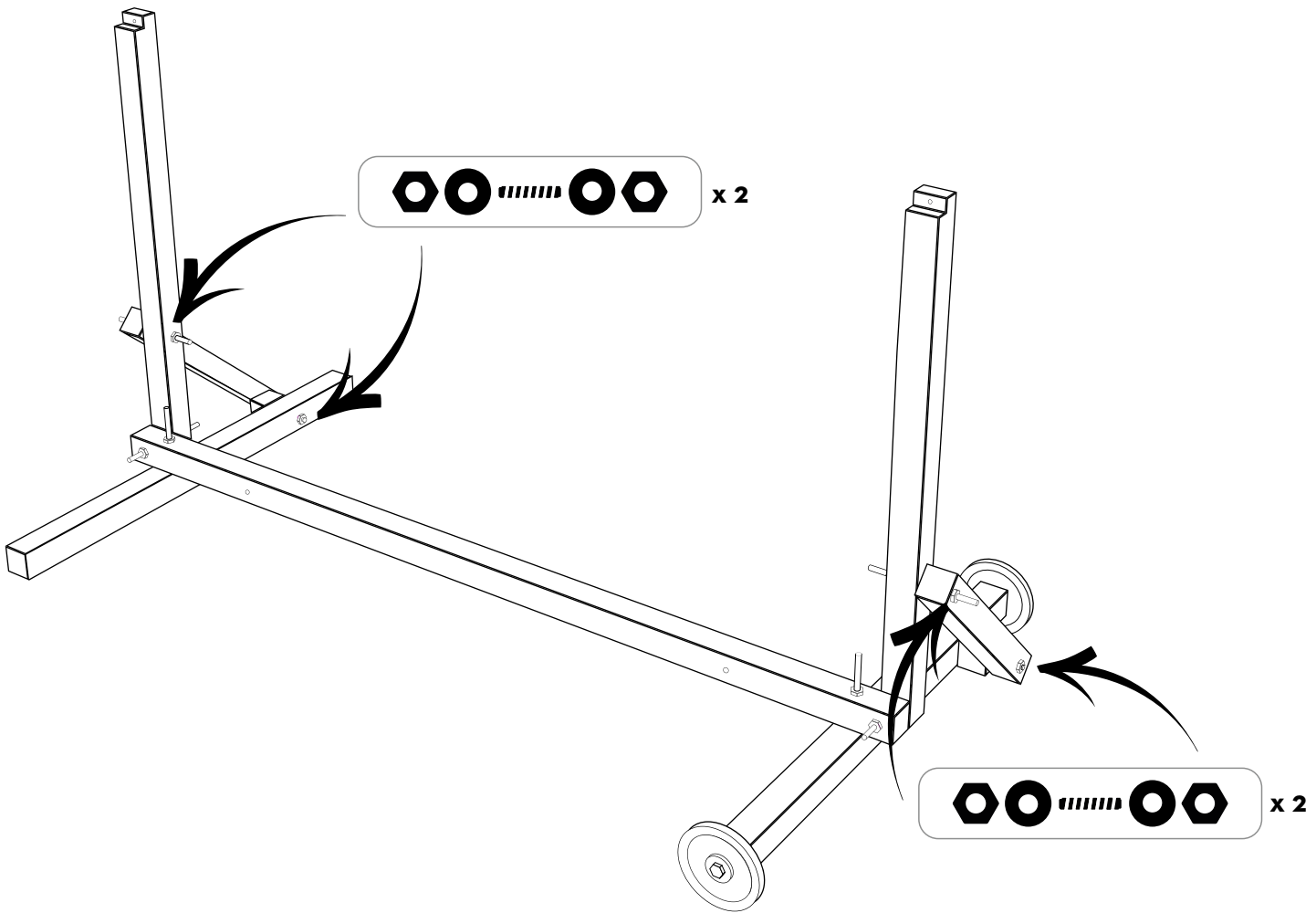


2 B3


 2 threaded rods



 4 washers


 4 nuts




2 C1

2 D

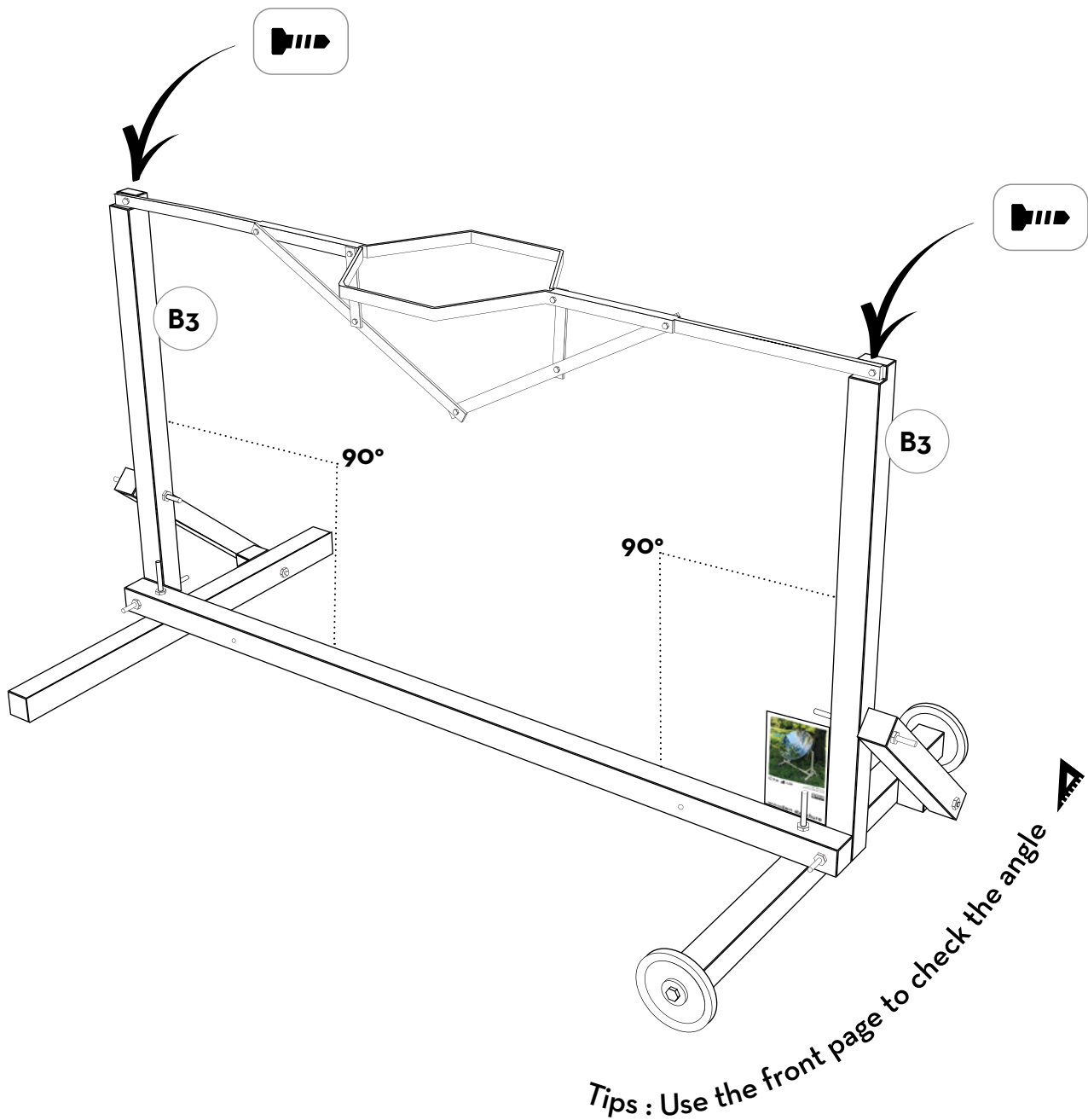
 4 threaded rods

 8 washers

 8 nuts



Because of the natural curves of the wood, the theoretical dimensions quoted may vary. Use your intuition to correct any discrepancies.



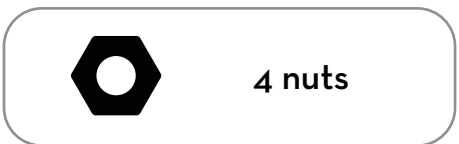
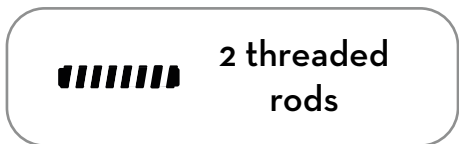
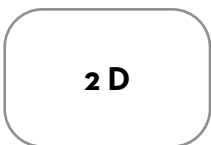
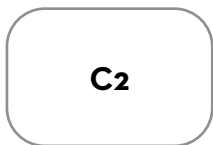
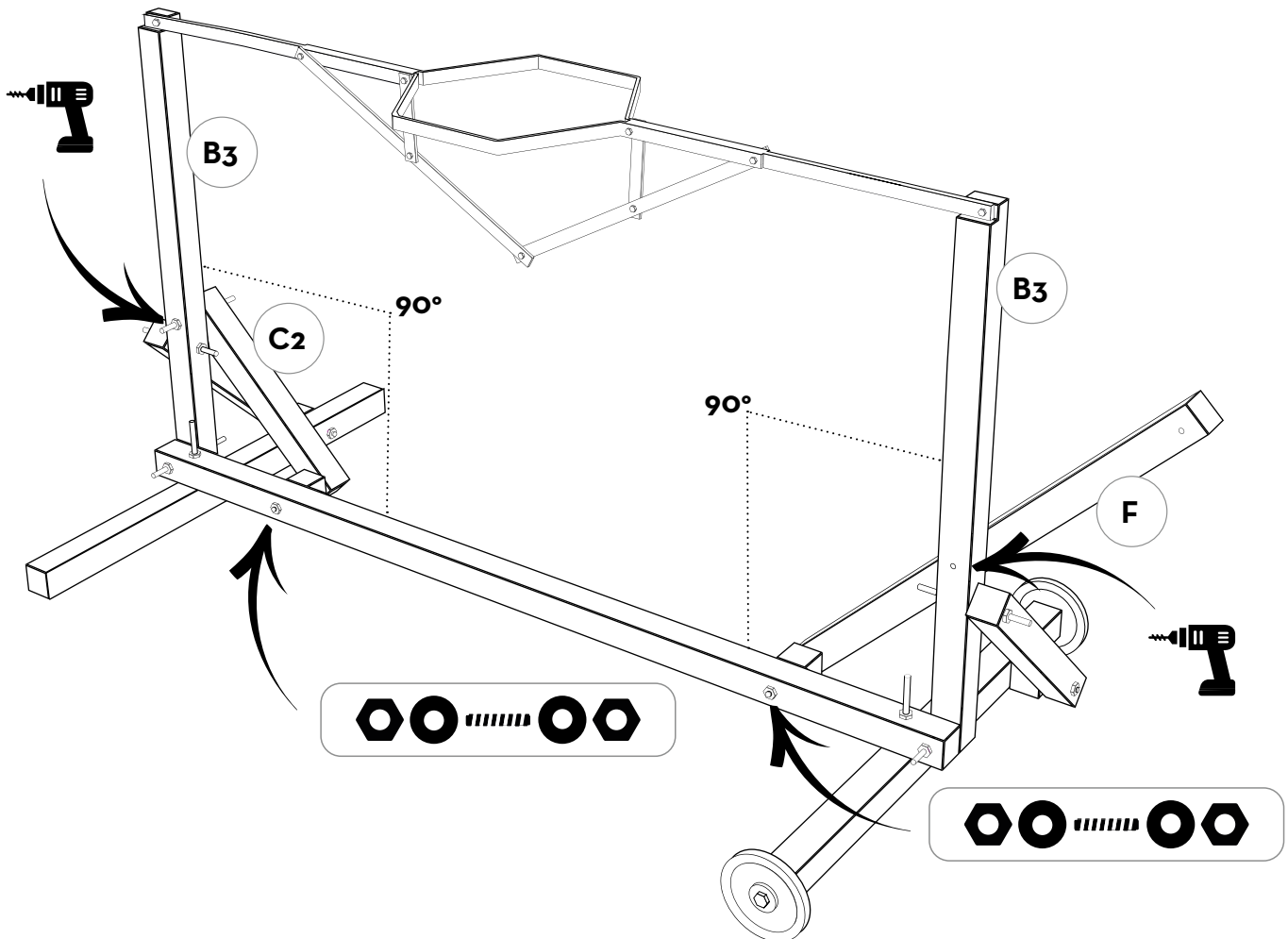
2 screws  
Ø6 x 60 mm


potholder

Position the two B3 at 90° from A



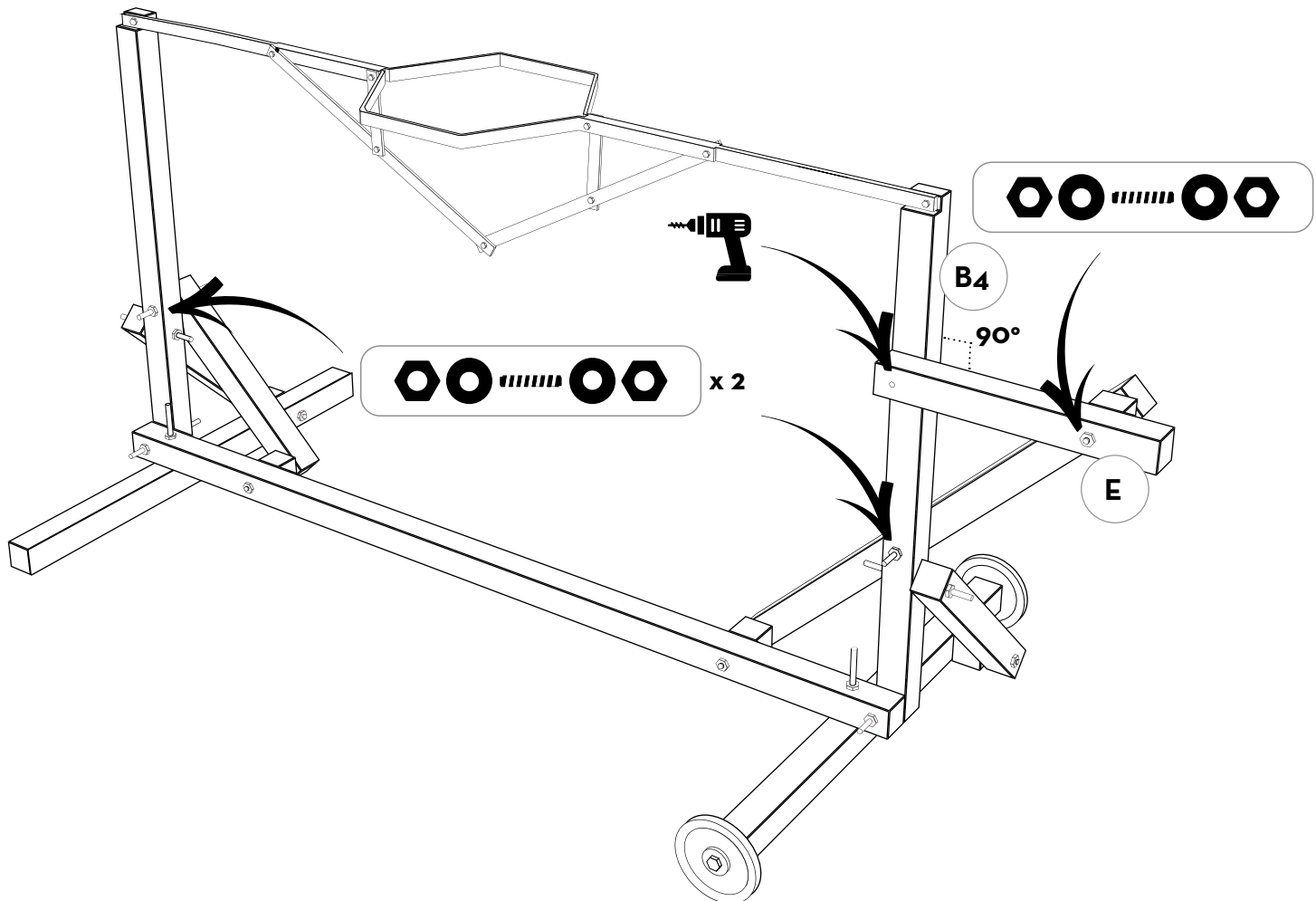
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After checking the 90° angle, drill B3 ; C2 and other B3 ; F in a single operation  
Tips : Use the front page to check the angle 



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D

E



3 threaded rods

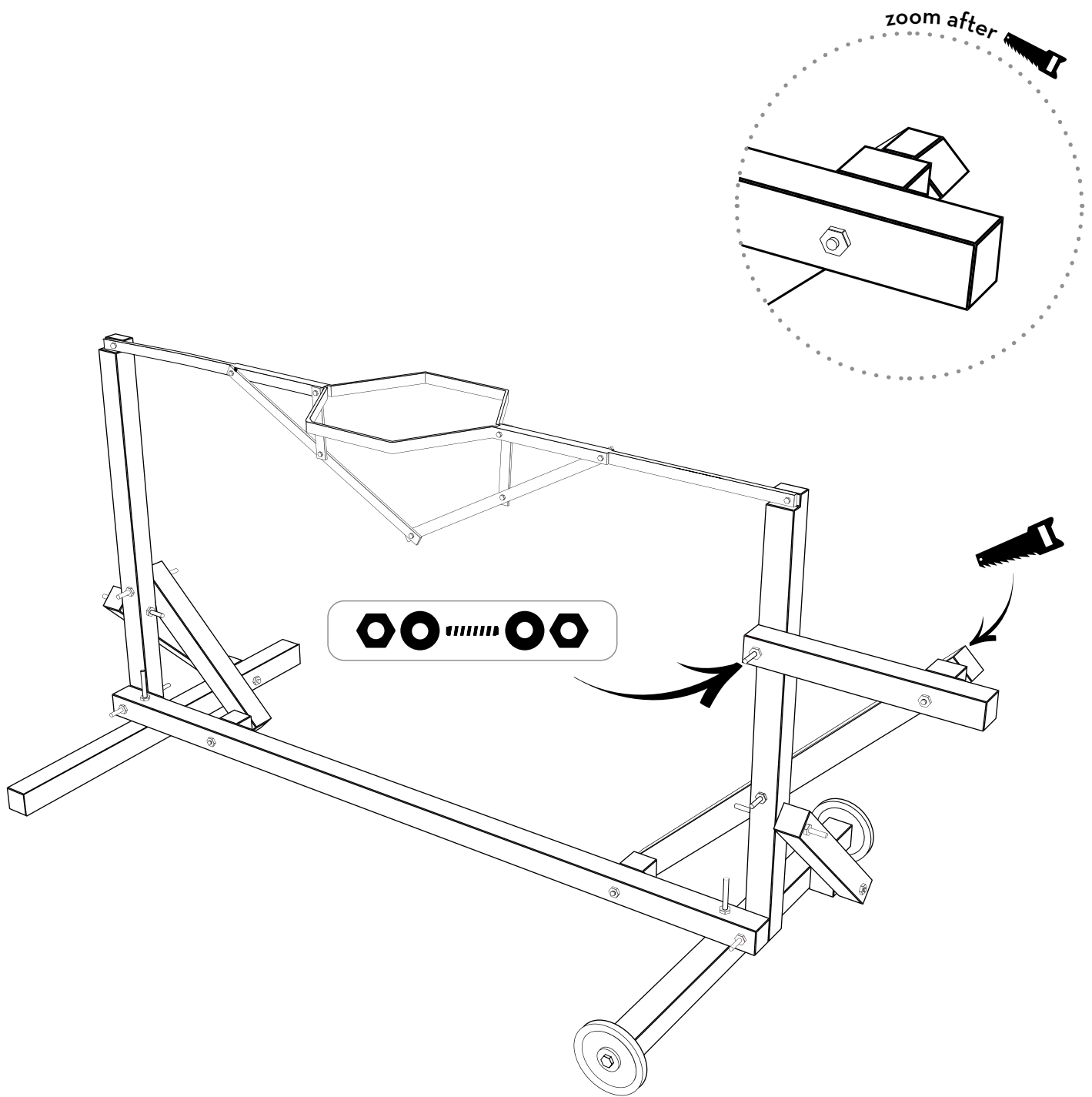


6 washers



6 nuts

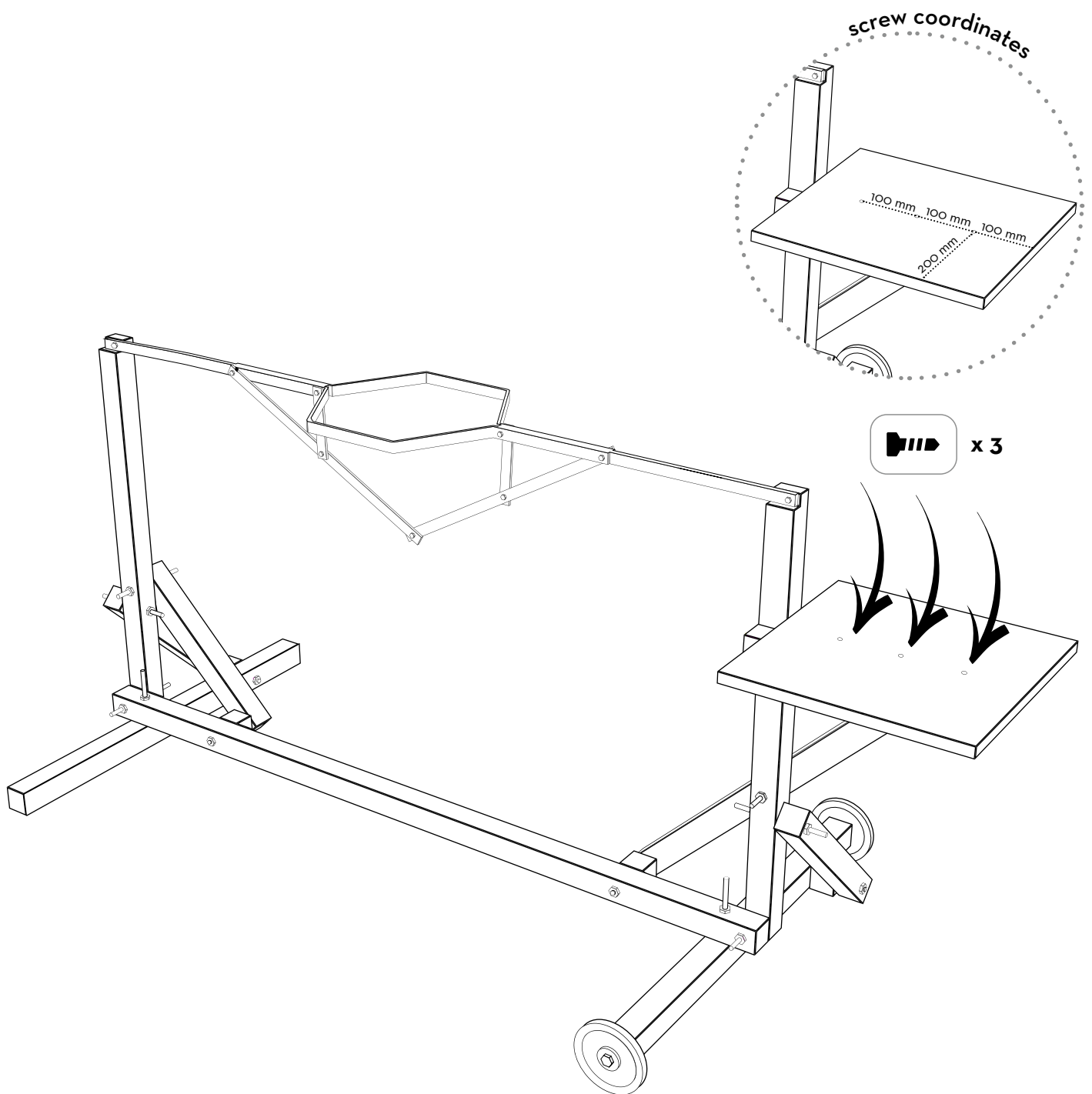
After checking the 90° angle, drill B4 and E in a single operation



 1 threaded rods

 2 washers

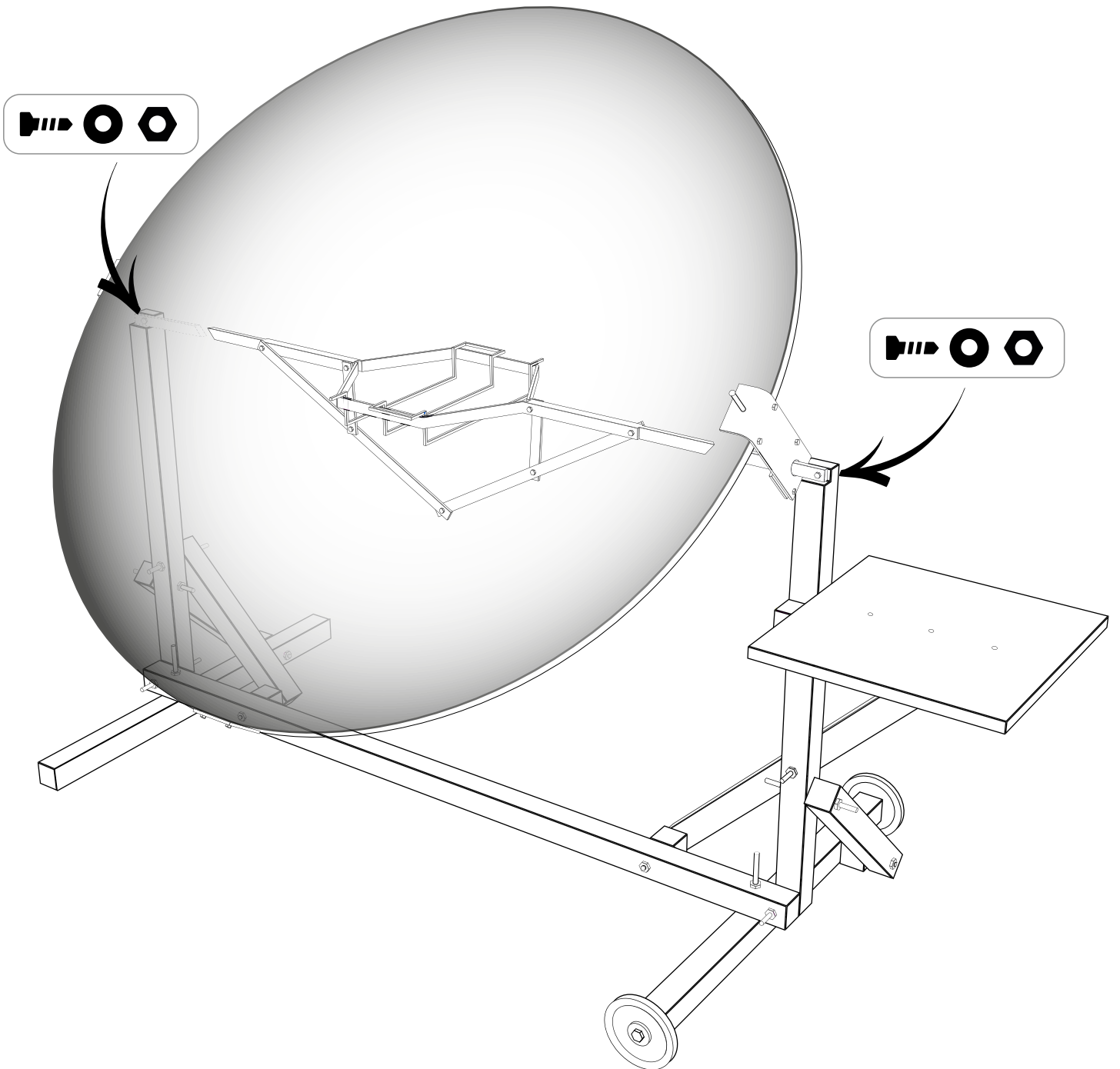
 2 nuts



piece  
of wood



3 screws  
min.  $\text{\O}4 \times 50 \text{ mm}$



parabola

pot holder



2 screws  
Ø6 x 60 mm



2 washers  
Ø6 mm



2 nuts  
Ø6 mm

Remove the bar and replace it with the parabola