



I QUOOKER F&B

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A: INTERVIEW QUESTIONS F&B RESEARCH

Voor mijn master Integrated Product Design ben ik in samenwerking met Quooker BV onderzoek aan het doen naar het gebruik van kokend water in de horeca. Quooker is benieuwd of het huidige product voldoende aansluit op de behoeftes in deze markt of dat er wellicht een aangepast product ontwikkeld moet worden om echt van toegevoegde waarde te kunnen zijn. Om dit te achterhalen wil ik u een aantal vragen stellen.

1. Toepassingen: over het algemeen, wat is de meeste gebruikte toepassing van kokend water binnen uw organisatie (hete dranken, koken, hygiëne)?

Hete dranken	→ Welke soort hete dranken?
	→ Hoe belangrijk is de kwaliteit van water?
Koken	→ Welke gerechten?
Hygiëne	→ Schoonmaak van wat?

2. Hoofdreden aanschaf (indien van toepassing): Wat is de hoofdreden dat u een Quooker heeft aangeschaft (tijdswinst, gebruiksgemak, veiligheid, kostenbesparing)?

3. Alternatief: Als u niet in het bezit van een kokendwaterkraan was geweest, hoe had u dan kokend water verkregen? Wat zijn de na - of voordelen t.o.v een Quooker kraan?

4. Limitaties: Zijn er limitaties waar u momenteel tegenaan loopt tijdens het verkrijgen van kokend water voor een bestelling?

5. Behoeftes: Als u een functionaliteit kon toevoegen aan de Quooker (of alternatief apparaat), wat zou dit dan zijn?

6. Tijdwinst: Waar denkt u dat momenteel in een bestelling die kokend water vereist, de meeste tijd wordt verloren/ kan worden gewonnen? Hoe belangrijk is tijdwinst bij een bestelling binnen uw organisatie?

7. Besparing : Hoeveel inzicht heeft u in de hoeveelheid water of energie die bespaart wordt door het gebruik van de Quooker? Zou u hierin geïnteresseerd zijn? Waarom wel/niet?

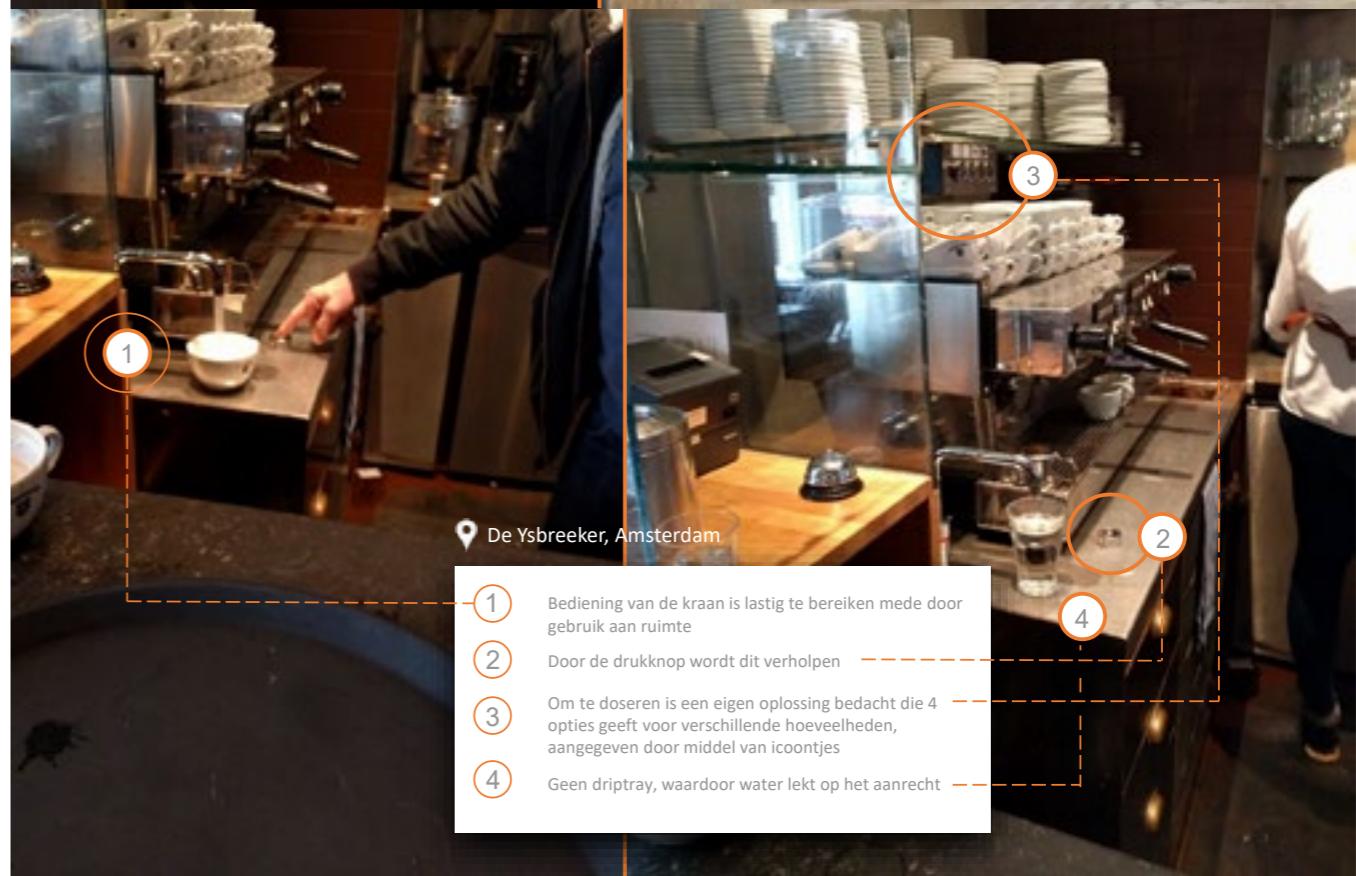
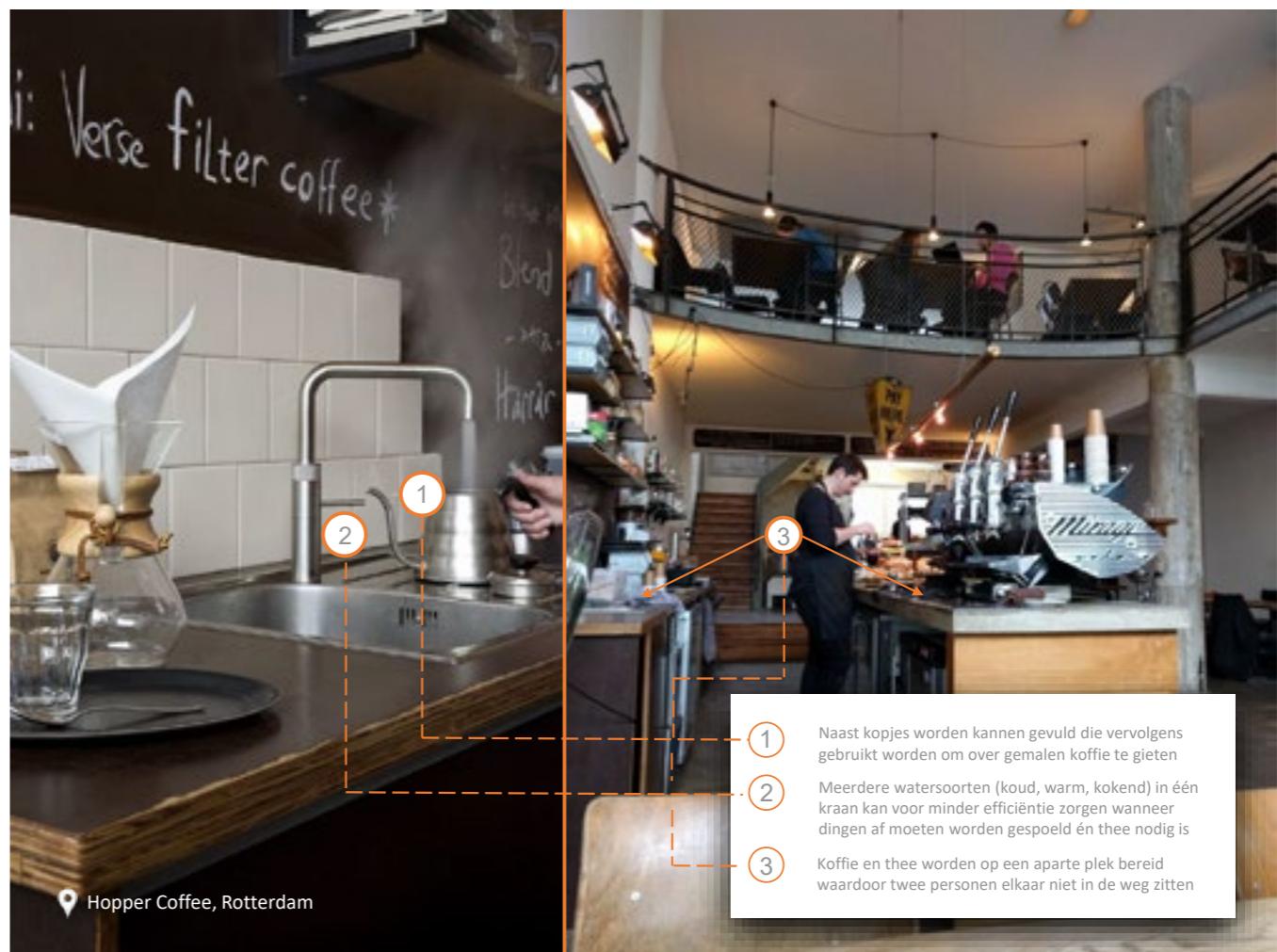
8. Flexibiliteit: Hoe flexibel bent u in het afstellen van uw kokend water (temperatuur, hoeveelheden, stroom, filter, beweeglijkheid). Bent u tevreden over deze flexibiliteit?

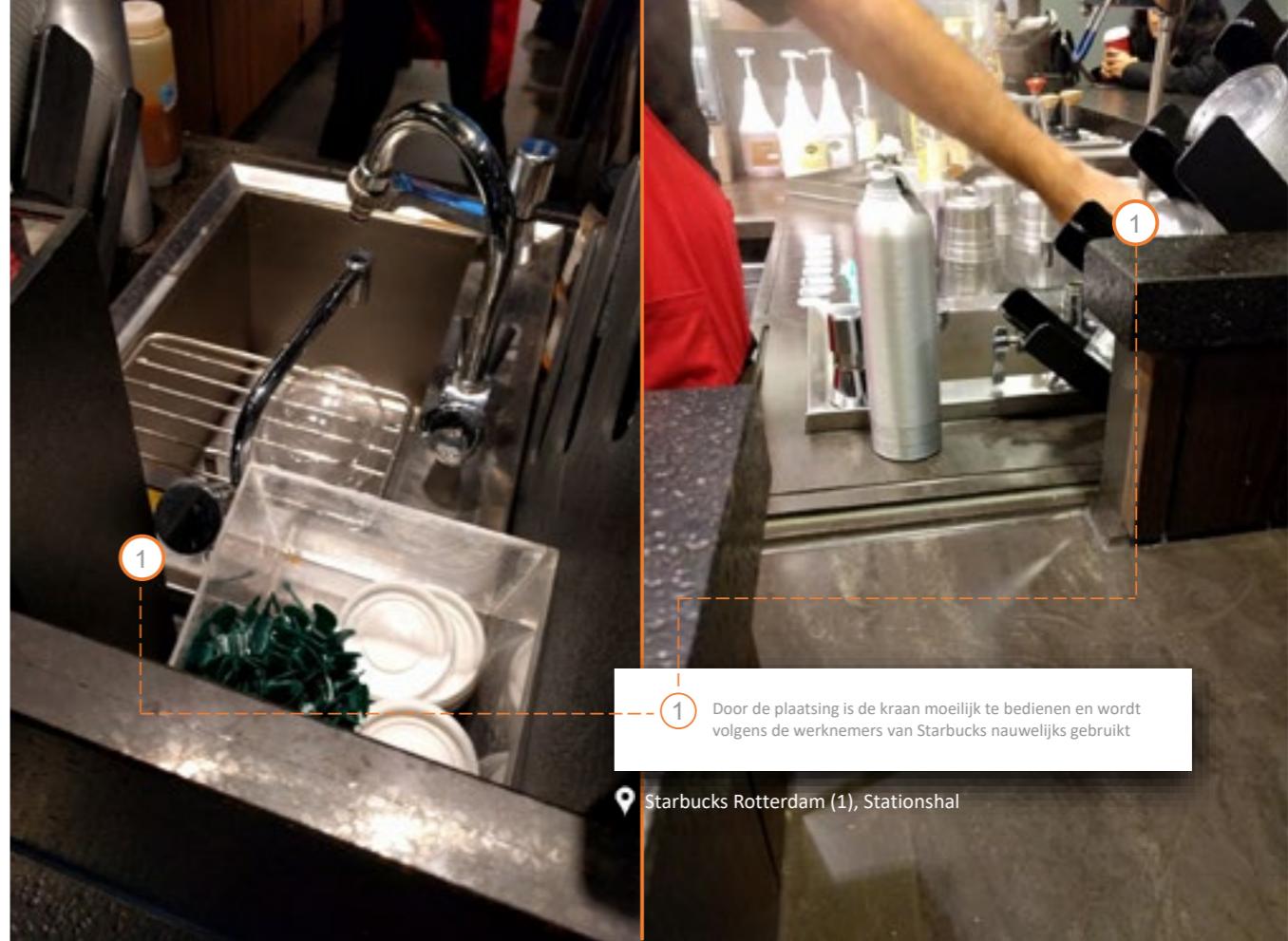
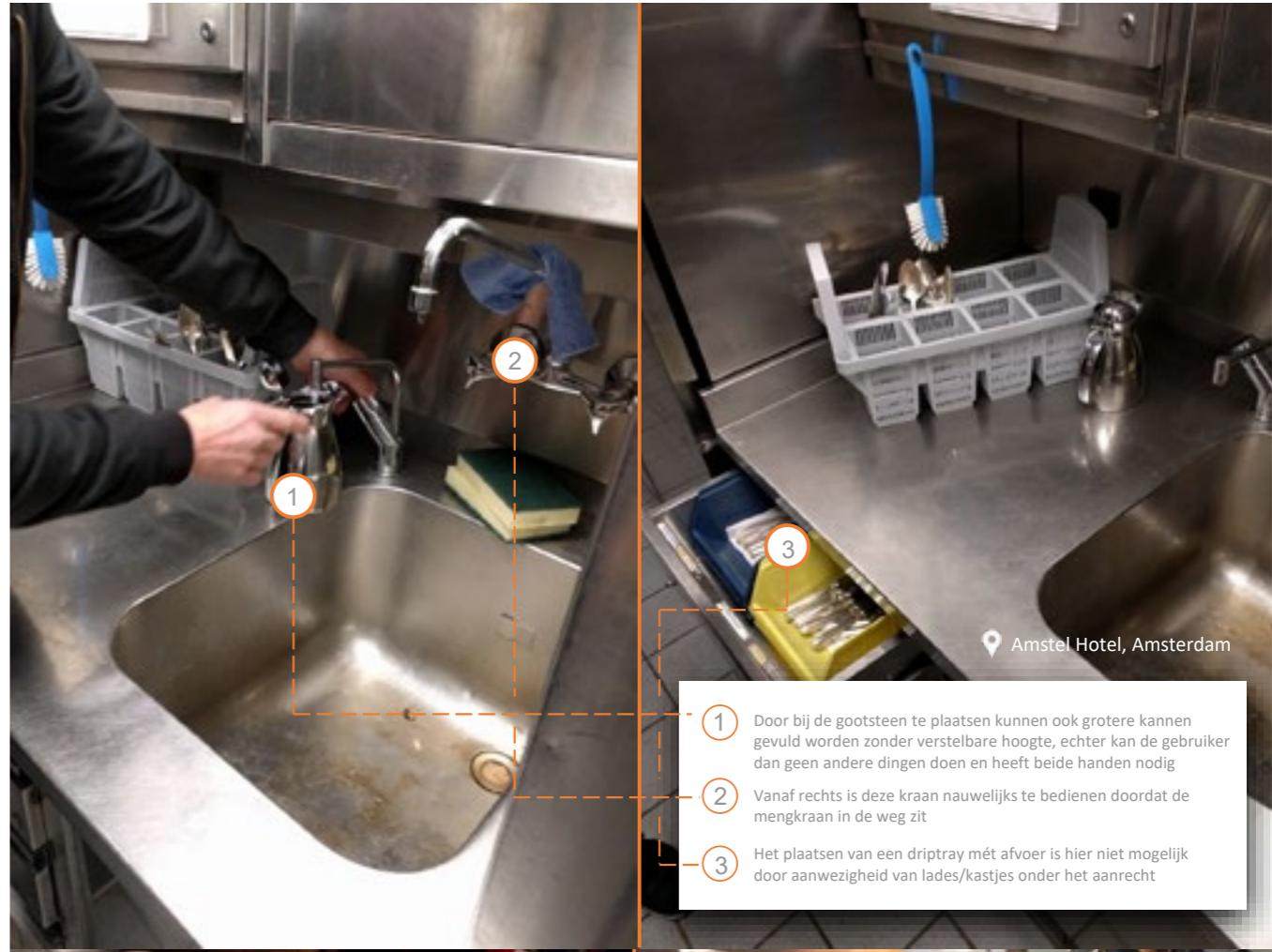
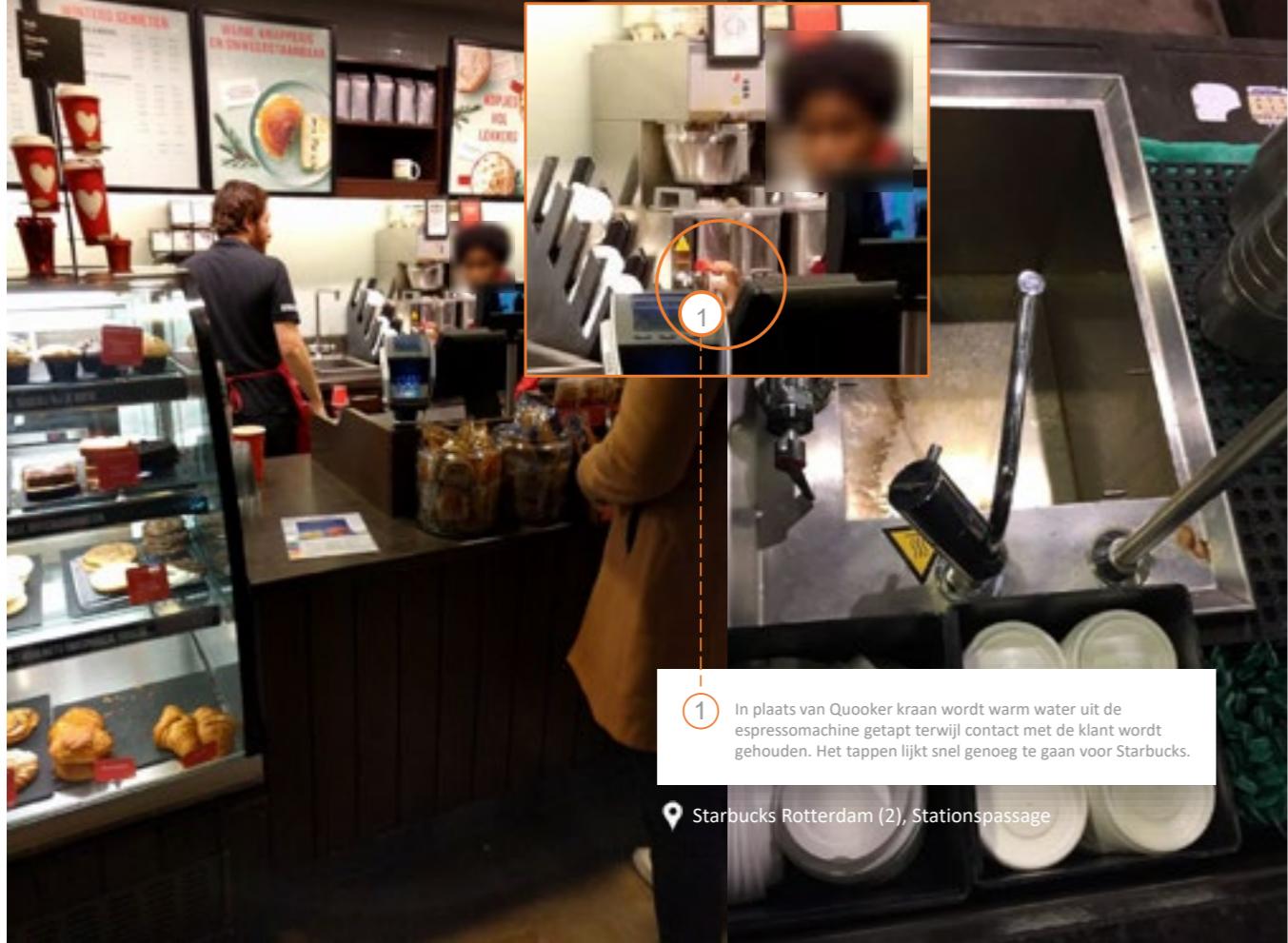
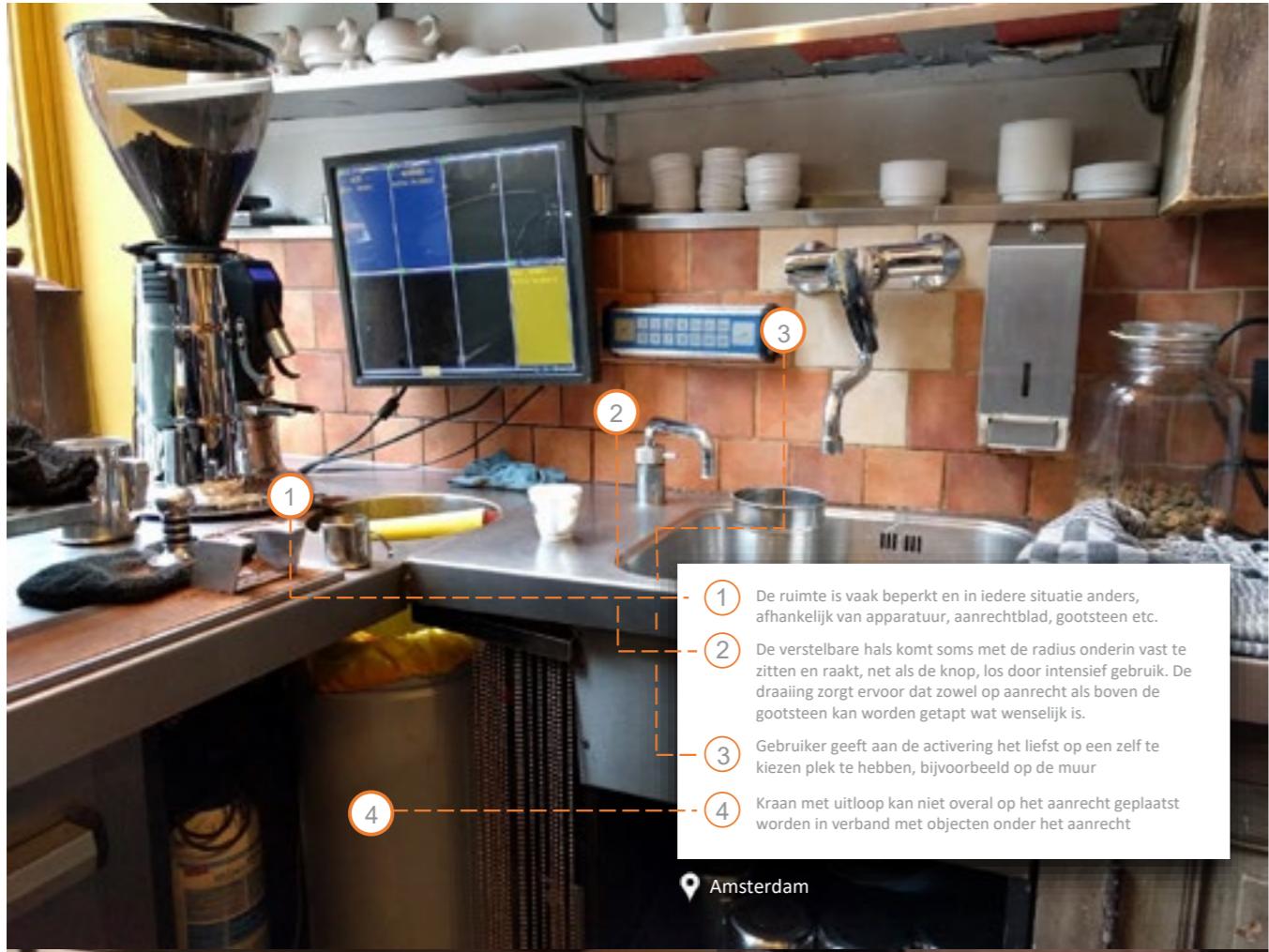
9. Types water: Wat voor types water gebruikt u binnen uw organisatie (gekoeld, bruisend etc.). Zou het voor u interessant zijn dit uit te kiezen?

10. Pulsknop : Bent u tevreden over de huidige pulsknop? Waarom wel/niet? Zou u zonder kunnen? Zou u het interessant vinden bepaalde standaard hoeveelheden water in te kunnen stellen?

11. Service: Bent u tevreden over de huidige service? Al u kon kiezen tussen het leasen en het kopen van een Quooker, wat zou dan uw voorkeur hebben? Waarom?

APPENDIX B: OBSERVATIONS F&B KITCHENS

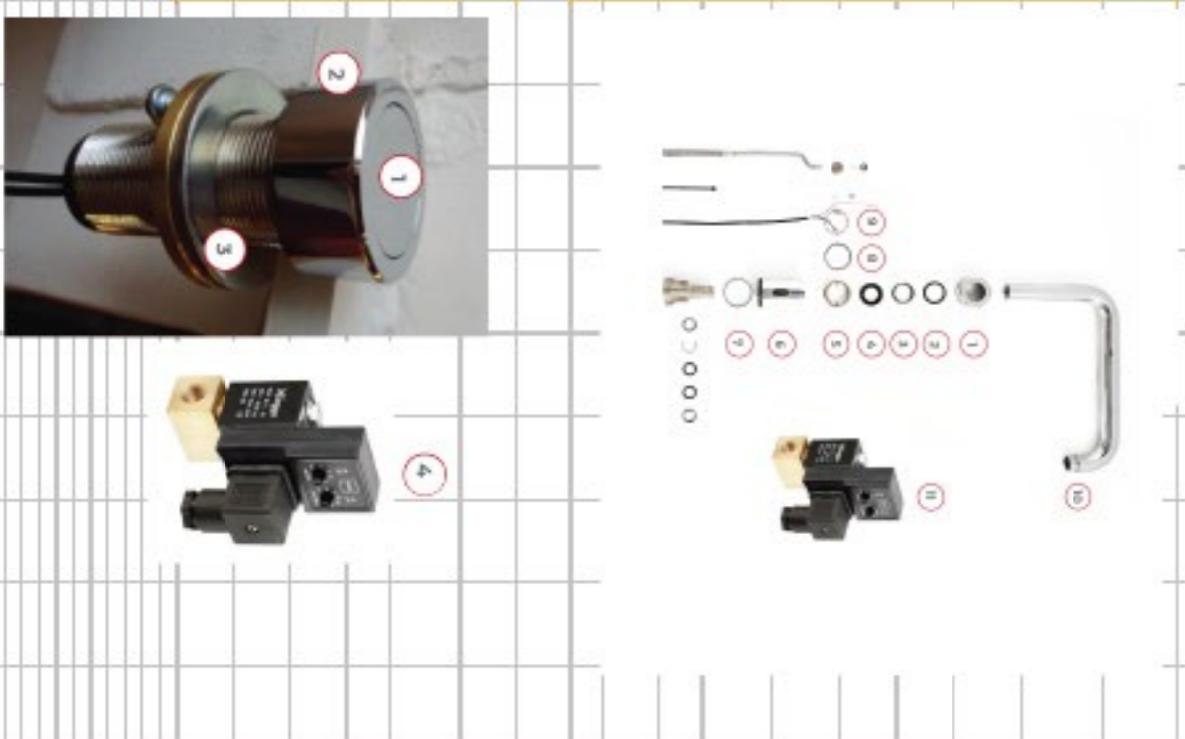






APPENDIX C: FMEA

Failure Mode	Failure Cause	Failure Impact	Failure Control	Design Change	Design Change	Design Change
1.1. Performance		Product interaction fits with the interaction vision qualities: efficient, safe & intuitive.				
1.2.		System allows to obtain and adjust two preset amounts of boiling water and one option for an ongoing flow				
1.3. Wish		System allows to tap >10 cups of 200 ml per minute.				
1.4. Wish		Product interaction appeals to all sectors within the F&B industry.				
1.5.		Valve for standardized amounts provides consistent volumes under different water pressure levels.				
1.6.		Interface should allow for adjustment of the tap neck to at least 2 heights.				
1.7.		Interface warns user for potential danger of boiling water				
1.8.		Interface allows to be operated with wet hands				
1.9.		Interface requires minimal amount of space on the kitchen counter				
1.10.		Interface can be detached from the tap and used as stand alone product				
1.11.		Should provide space for PCB and electric components of the interaction panel (chapter 8.2:70mm x 20mm x 15mm)				
1.12.		Lift the tap > 5 mm of the counter to provide space for interaction panel wire (chapter 8.2)				
1.13.		Surfaces are easy to clean and do not hold the potential for moist and bacteria to accumulate				
1.14.		Option layouts can be easily changed				
1.15. Wish		Required current < 20mA (max current delivered by connected reservoir)				
1.16.		Finger interaction areas have a minimal diameter of 11 mm				
1.17.		Finger interaction areas are located 13mm apart				
1.18. Wish		Options can be activated by push- or touching motion (user interaction research)				
1.19.		Provides tactile confirmation feedback during activation				
1.20.		Should fixate tap in holes ranging in diameter from 35mm to 38 mm.				
1.21.		Leave space for Ø35mm wire to be pulled through and reach the reservoir				
1.22.		LED's communicate in different colors for "stand-by" and "warning" mode				
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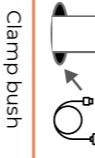
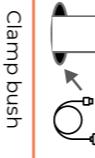
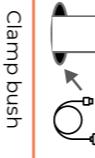
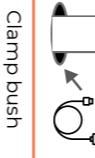
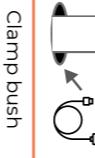
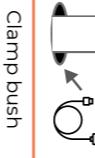
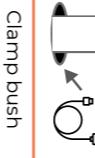
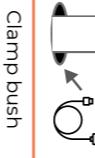
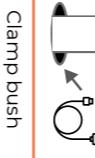
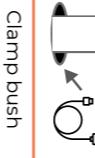
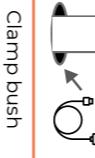
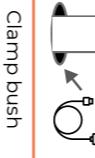


APPENDIX D: PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS

	REQUIREMENT	SOURCE	VALIDATION
1.1. Performance	Product interaction fits with the interaction vision qualities: efficient, safe & intuitive.	Interaction vision	User test & Enquête
1.2.	System allows to obtain and adjust two preset amounts of boiling water and one option for an ongoing flow	User Research (orientation phase)	User test
1.3. Wish	System allows to tap >10 cups of 200 ml per minute.	User Research (orientation phase)	User test
1.4. Wish	Product interaction appeals to all sectors within the F&B industry.	Strategic direction	Enquête
1.5.	Valve for standardized amounts provides consistent volumes under different water pressure levels.	FMEA analysis	Prototype test
1.6.	Interface should allow for adjustment of the tap neck to at least 2 heights.	User Research (orientation phase)	Prototype test
1.7.	Interface warns user for potential danger of boiling water	Function analysis	Prototype test
1.8.	Interface allows to be operated with wet hands	User interaction research	Prototype test
1.9.	Interface requires minimal amount of space on the kitchen counter	Function analysis	Prototype test
1.10.	Interface can be detached from the tap and used as stand alone product	User interaction research	3D CAD Model
1.11.	Should provide space for PCB and electric components of the interaction panel (chapter 8.2:70mm x 20mm x 15mm)	Quooker	Prototype
1.12.	Lift the tap > 5 mm of the counter to provide space for interaction panel wire (chapter 8.2)	Interaction panel research	Prototype
1.13.	Surfaces are easy to clean and do not hold the potential for moist and bacteria to accumulate	Housing body research	Prototype
1.14.	Option layouts can be easily changed	Norm study	Prototype
1.15. Wish	Required current < 20mA (max current delivered by connected reservoir)	Quooker concept evaluation	Prototype
1.16.	Finger interaction areas have a minimal diameter of 11 mm	Quooker	Prototype
1.17.	Finger interaction areas are located 13mm apart	Housing body research	Prototype
1.18. Wish	Options can be activated by push- or touching motion (user interaction research)	Housing body research	Prototype
1.19.	Provides tactile confirmation feedback during activation	User interaction research	Prototype
1.20.	Should fixate tap in holes ranging in diameter from 35mm to 38 mm.	User interaction research	Prototype
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1.22.	LED's communicate in different colors for "stand-by" and "warning" mode	Interaction panel research	Prototype
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6.1	Water spillage is minimized to <1% of required amount.	Internal analysis	User test	
7. Life in service				
7.1	Product should last for at least 5 years or 780.000 repetitions.	Worst case scenario	Durability test	Out of project scope
8. Maintenance				
8.1	Interface allows users to adjust the standard amounts for a cup or pot.	Use & Research (orientation phase) & Quooker service department	User test	
8.2 Wish	Interface does not require the drilling of additional holes in the counter.	Quooker service department	3D CAD Model	
9. Target product costs				
9.1	Increase in product costs or costs of separate component < €100,-	Based on current solutions & investment costs for producing 2.500 products	Cost price estimation	
10. Quantity				
10.1	2.500 products annually.	Strategic direction	-	
11. Production facilities				
11.1	Product can be produced in house.	Quooker's inhouse production policy	Validate with production department	
11.2 Wish	Interaction panel requires minimal assembly time	Desired max product costs	Prototype	
12. Aesthetics				
12.1	Product fits the minimalistic Jiri style embedded in the current product portfolio.	Style analysis	Questionnaire	
12.2	Stainless steel 316 for steel parts	Style analysis	Prototype	
12.3	Chamfers should be 1 mm in height with an angle of 45 degrees.	Meeting Jiri	Prototype / 3DCAD Model	
12.4	Use of circular shapes close to the diameters included in the tap.	Meeting Jiri	Prototype / 3DCAD Model	
13. Standard & regulations				
13.1	Fixing in wrong position of handles, knobs indicating position of switches or similar components not possible	Norm study	User test	Out of project scope
13.2	Should fit within standard 35 mm fixation hole.	Norm study	Norm study	
14. Quooker product policy				
14.1 Wish	Housing body allows to attach Quooker taps to the counter: - Nordic single tap (Ø40mm base & Ø30mm threaded bush) - Fusion (Ø39,90mm base and Ø34,80mm placeholder for thread and tubes)	Internal analysis / Strategic Direction	3D CAD Model	
15. Reuse and recycling				
15.1	Product is detachable for maintenance or replacement.	Internal analysis / FMEA	Prototype	
2. Reliability				
2.1	Interface has adequate mechanical strengths and is constructed as to withstand rough handling (600 interaction daily).	Norm study / User Research (orientation phase)	Durability test	
2.2	Interface provides protection against harmful ingestion of grease, acids or cleaning liquids.	Norm study / Quooker	Prototype	
2.3	Interface provides protection against harmful ingestion of water (IP 21).	Norm study / Quooker	IP 21 Test	Out of project scope
2.4	Interface should not conflict with the radius of the tap neck.	FMEA analysis	3D CAD model	
2.5	Prevent rotation of the panel relative to the tap as a result of pushing force applied by the user	Housing body 3D prints	Prototype	
3. Safety				
3.1	Interface does not hold the potential to be accidentally activated	Norm study	User test	
3.2	Activation should require a physical interaction with the interface	User interaction research	Prototype test	
3.3	No ragged or sharp edges creating a hazard for the user in normal use or during user maintenance.	Norm study	3D CAD model	Out of project scope
3.4	No excessive temperatures in normal use (<44 °C).	Norm study	3D CAD model simulation / Prototype	Out of project scope
3.5	Unlikely that interface makes operator touch parts having a temperature rise exceeding the value specified (<44 °C).	Norm study	User test	Out of project scope
3.6	Interface avoids operator to bring hand or arm in line with the boiling water outlet of the spout.	Interaction User Research	Prototype test	
3.7	Operates on a maximum of 12V	Quooker	Prototype test	
3.8	Interface provides adequate protection against accidental contact with live parts.	Norm study	User test	Out of project scope
4. Materials				
4.1	Materials should be able to withstand 100 °C water.	FMEA analysis	Durability test	
4.2	Materials can withstand grease, acids and cleaning liquids.	Norm study	Durability test	
4.3	Materials do not have the characteristic to corrode or hold moist and bacteria.	Norm study	Durability test	
4.4 Wish	Materials do not decrease as a result of extensive and long use.	Style analysis	Durability test	Out of project scope
5. Ergonomics				
5.1	Interface allows activation with one hand	User & context research / Interaction vision	User test	
5.2	Product should be understandable for novice users with minimal instructions.	User & context research	User test	
5.3 Wish	The interface should be understandable upon first use. (wish)	User Research (orientation phase)	User test	
5.4	Interface can be comfortably activated by operators aged 16-67 for 600 interactions a day.	User Research (orientation phase)	User test	
6. Environment				

APPENDIX E: MORPHOLOGICAL CHART

Allow to be connected without additional drilling		Wireless connection		
Guide up and downwards movement of the spout		Spring pins)	Mechanical (push pins)	Screw
Communicate options in interface		Symbols	Light indications	Vibrations
Warn user for potential danger		Light	Sound	Sound
Prevent accidental activation		Mechanical safety step	Require use of two hands	Symbols
Allow hand force exertion		Touch	User ID identification	Require use of one finger
Convert hand force and choice into signal for valve		Magnetic	Button	Turning
Transfer signal to valve and reservoir		Electrical	NFC	Bluetooth
Provide stable amount under fluctuating water pressure		Timed valve	Flow sensor	Estimate volume/IR-sensors
Allow to cancel order		Voice: speak to stop	Presence of cup as	
Allow other activities on the kitchen counter		Wireless interface	Include in tap	DYNAMIC interface
Protect against ingress of water and detergents		Interface above outlet	Vertically mounted	

APPENDIX F: USER INTERACTION RESEARCH

QUOOKER F&B INTERACTION RESEARCH

JANUARY 2018

Datum:

Naam:

Kraan:

Voor mijn master Integrated Product Design ben ik in opdracht van Quooker B.V. onderzoek aan het doen naar de ideale kokendwaterkraan voor de HoReCa markt. Met het volgende onderzoek zou ik graag de invloed van verschillende locaties en benodigde handelingen van de bediening met u willen evalueren.

1. LOCATIE

Op de kraan zijn naast uw standaard bediening, drie mock-ups bevestigd die mogelijke alternatieve locaties voor de bediening weergeven. In hoeverre gelden de volgende waarden voor uw huidige locatie van bediening:

Inefficient	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem efficiënt				
Onveilig	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem veilig				
Niet intuitief	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem intuïtief				

LOCATIE A

In hoeverre gelden de volgende waarden voor bedieningslocatie A:

Inefficient	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem efficiënt				
Onveilig	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem veilig				
Niet intuitief	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem intuïtief				

Locatie A zou voor mij wel/niet optimaal zijn omdat:



LOCATIE B

In hoeverre gelden de volgende waarden voor bedieningslocatie B:

Inefficient	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem efficiënt				
Onveilig	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem veilig				
Niet intuitief	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem intuïtief				

Locatie A zou voor mij wel/niet optimaal zijn omdat:



LOCATIE C

In hoeverre gelden de volgende waarden voor bedieningslocatie C:

Inefficient	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem efficiënt				
Onveilig	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem veilig				
Niet intuitief	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem intuïtief				

Locatie A zou voor mij wel/niet optimaal zijn omdat:



CONCLUSIE: De ideale locatie voor activatie is locatie omdat:

2. HANDELING

In hoeverre gelden de volgende waarden voor de huidige handeling die u dient uit te voeren om de kraan te activeren:

Inefficient	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem efficiënt				
Onveilig	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem veilig				
Niet intuitief	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem intuïtief				

A: SENSORISCH

Beweeg uw hand over de interface. Hoe ervaart u deze handeling:

Inefficient	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem efficiënt				
Onveilig	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem veilig				
Niet intuitief	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem intuïtief				



Een sensorische bediening zou voor mij wel/niet optimaal zijn omdat:

B: TOUCH

Raak met uw vinger de interface aan. Hoe ervaart u deze handeling:

Inefficient	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem efficiënt				
Onveilig	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem veilig				
Niet intuitief	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem intuïtief				



Een bediening op aanraking zou voor mij wel/niet optimaal zijn omdat:

C: DRUK

Druk de interface eenmalig in. Hoe ervaart u deze handeling:

Inefficient	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem efficiënt				
Onveilig	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem veilig				
Niet intuitief	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem intuïtief				



Een drukbediening zou voor mij wel/niet optimaal zijn omdat:

D: DRAAI

Draai de interface. Hoe ervaart u deze handeling:

Inefficient	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem efficiënt				
Onveilig	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem veilig				
Niet intuitief	<input type="radio"/>	Extreem intuïtief				



Een bediening doormiddel van draaien zou voor mij wel/niet optimaal zijn omdat:

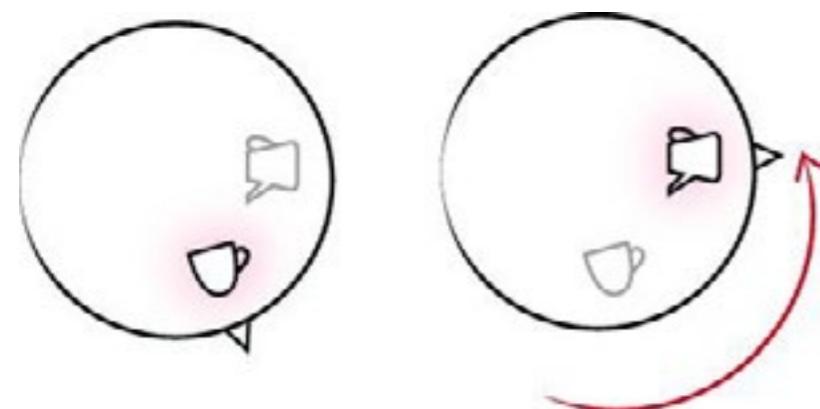
CONCLUSIE: De ideale handeling voor activatie is omdat:

3. OPTIES

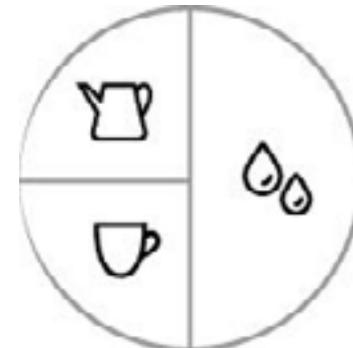
Binnen de HoReCa worden vaak dezelfde hoeveelheden kokend water getapt. Deze vraag naar voor ingestelde hoeveelheden vraagt om een aanpassing van de interface.

3.1 Onderstaande afbeelding laat drie verschillende versies van een mogelijke gebruikersinterface zien. Welk van deze interfaces spreekt u het meest aan? Waarom?

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B



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3.2 Denkt u dat de keuze voor een van bovenstaande interfaces invloed kan hebben op de efficiëntie, veiligheid en/of intuitiviteit van het product?

3.3 Mocht u de ingestelde hoeveelheden willen aanpassen, welke manier zou dan uw voorkeur hebben?

3.4 Zijn er overige opmerkingen over de locatie, handeling of de keuze in opties waarvan u denkt dat ze belangrijk zijn in het ontwerp van een nieuwe interface?

In order to test the preferred location and action for activation and the level of integration of different options , a user research among F&B managers was performed. The main research questions were:

- Which location on or around the tap fits best with the desired qualities of the interaction: safe, efficient and intuitive.
 - Which action for activating the boiling water fits best with the desired qualities of the interaction.
 - Which level of integration of the different options into one "touchpoint" fits best with the desired interaction qualities.
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- Is the separation of interface and tap considered an essential improvement or benefit?
 - Which characteristics of the product are considered when valuing the location and activation of the interface?
 - Which context characteristics are considered in the perception of safety, efficiency and intuitivity.
 - Which user characteristics are considered in the perception of safety, efficiency and intuitivity.

Method

Location

In order to test the influence of the location of the interface on the desired interaction qualities, different mock ups were 3D printed. These mock-ups allowed users to value the different location for activating the tap. The current location was used as "0-situation". The possible interaction locations were found by dividing the tap in three different parts on which interaction could take place, plus the space surrounding the sink or drip tray.

- Location 1: Tap frame
- Location 2: Tap base
- Location 3: Tap neck
- Location 4: Counter top

Action

The action that users have to perform to activate the boiling water has shown to influence the efficiency of users in the F&B looking at the current "double-push-turn" - interface. Therefore different actions for activating the boiling water were valued on the desired interaction qualities.

- Touchless - sensoric
- Touchpad
- Push motion
- Turning

Option integration

In order to obtain different standardized amounts of water, these options are to be integrated into the interface and chosen by the user. The impact of choosing to integrate or separate different options into one "touchpoint" was valued on the aforementioned qualities.

- Version 1: Cup amount, Pot amount and manual filling combined in one touchpoint
- Version 2: Cup and Pot amount combined, manual filling separate
- Version 3: Cup amount, Pot amount and manual filling options all separate

CONCLUSION INTERACTION RESEARCH: INSIGHTS

Location insights

High activation

Activation above the boiling water outlet of the faucet is considered as a safe and easy to reach option. By placing the interface on top, there is no danger of moving the arm into harms way. Nevertheless, if constant interaction is necessary, the steam of the boiling water spray can become an issue and result in

a lower experience of safety. Guido from Lokaal mentioned: "If you place it on top, you have the steam issue of course, I don't think that that's comfortable". Ed from Guliano also mentioned the steam, but did not think this would represent a problem when being able to push the interface once for a preset amount.

Besides, participants question whether the location does not lead to a less robust product as interaction might be rough leading to an unstable faucet. A staff member of Guliano mentioned: "I think placing it on top is fine, it's just wonder if the tap does not start to wiggle after multiple repetitions."

Body or base activation

In general, all participants are satisfied with activating the tap at the frame or base. It can however give a lower experience of safety as activation requires to move the arm and hand close to the outlet of boiling water, mentioned by Ed from Guliano. It could also be slightly less efficient as the required movement of the arm is shorter, but this does not make a significant difference compared to activation at the neck.

Stand alone

Guido from Lokaal mentioned the stand alone concept can represent an increase in efficiency in case the tap is placed in a jammed place in which the base or neck of the tap are hard to reach. It does however lower the intuitiveness and safety when not being placed close to the tap as placing the cup and activation in this case take place at two different locations. Both Ed and Timon confirm this, Timon states: "after a while the muscle memory starts to play a role, you just want to activate the tap at the same place you place your cup without having to move elsewhere."

All participants mentioned the importance of the available space at the counter. This space is often limited and used for multiple purposes. Any permanent obstacles placed in this area are therefore undesired. Guido argues: "actually you are always in need of space, we just want to keep the counter surface as empty as possible for other purposes." Being able to freely move the activation unit over the counter would solve this issue and provide the desired flexibility according to Guido.

Because of the different purposes the counter has in kitchens of the F&B industry, proper cleaning of the surface often happens multiple times a day. The change of accumulation around the attached interface or ingressions of water and detergents is therefore high.

Action insights

Sensoric

All participants mentioned the sensoric activation is not desired in the F&B industry as the abundance of activities taking place at the kitchen counter can lead to unintended activation and is therefore considered unsafe.

Touch and push

Compared to the current interface, participants think a pushing or touching motion would be an improvement compared to the current required turning motion. If standard amounts are available it allows for a more efficient workflow in combination with other tasks such as the preparation of coffee. None of the participants mention the lower safety standards the touch or pushing motion would represent.

3. Integration

Options integrated in turning motion

Enabling to select the options by turning the interface is not desired as you don't want to check the status of this interface anytime you approach the tap. Both Timon, Patrik and Guido mention they do not want to check the status of the interface every time they interact with the product to make sure the right amount is selected. Guido states: "you place a cup and forgot to check whether the cup amount is selected and the cup is already too full". Having separate options clearly indicated with symbols is therefore preferred.

APPENDIX G: CONCEPTUALIZATION

Answers on research questions

Which location on or around the tap fits best with the desired qualities of the interaction: safe, efficient and intuitive?

Concerning safety and efficiency, locating the interface on the spout seems to be preferred. However, it does not result in huge advantages compared to activation at the base of the frame which is seen as more intuitive as this is where you expect to interact with a tap. Participants doubt whether placing the interface on the spout would result in a less stable and robust tap. Locating the interface elsewhere on the kitchen counter is not seen as an advantage by all participants, especially because the surface of the counter and the space beneath often fulfills other purposes.

Which action for activating the boiling water fits best with the desired qualities of the interaction?

A pushing or touching motion is preferred as this creates a significant increase in efficiency compared to turning. All participants mentioned sensoric activation would most likely result in unintended activation and therefore dangerous situations because of other activities happening within the same space.

Which level of integration of the different options into one "touchpoint" fits best with the desired interaction qualities?

Integrating options into one "touchpoint", for example by turning or choosing options by touch, is not desired. According to all participants, integration would lead to a lower level of efficiency and intuitivity. One participant mentioned the increase in safety when integrating options, but mentioned to attach higher value to efficiency and intuitivity.

Is the separation of interface and tap considered an essential improvement or benefit?

None of the participants saw the separate dispense button as a benefit compared to placing the interface on the tap. The decrease in valuable space on the counter was an argument used in three of the four organizations.

Which characteristics of the product are considered when valuing the location and activation of the interface?

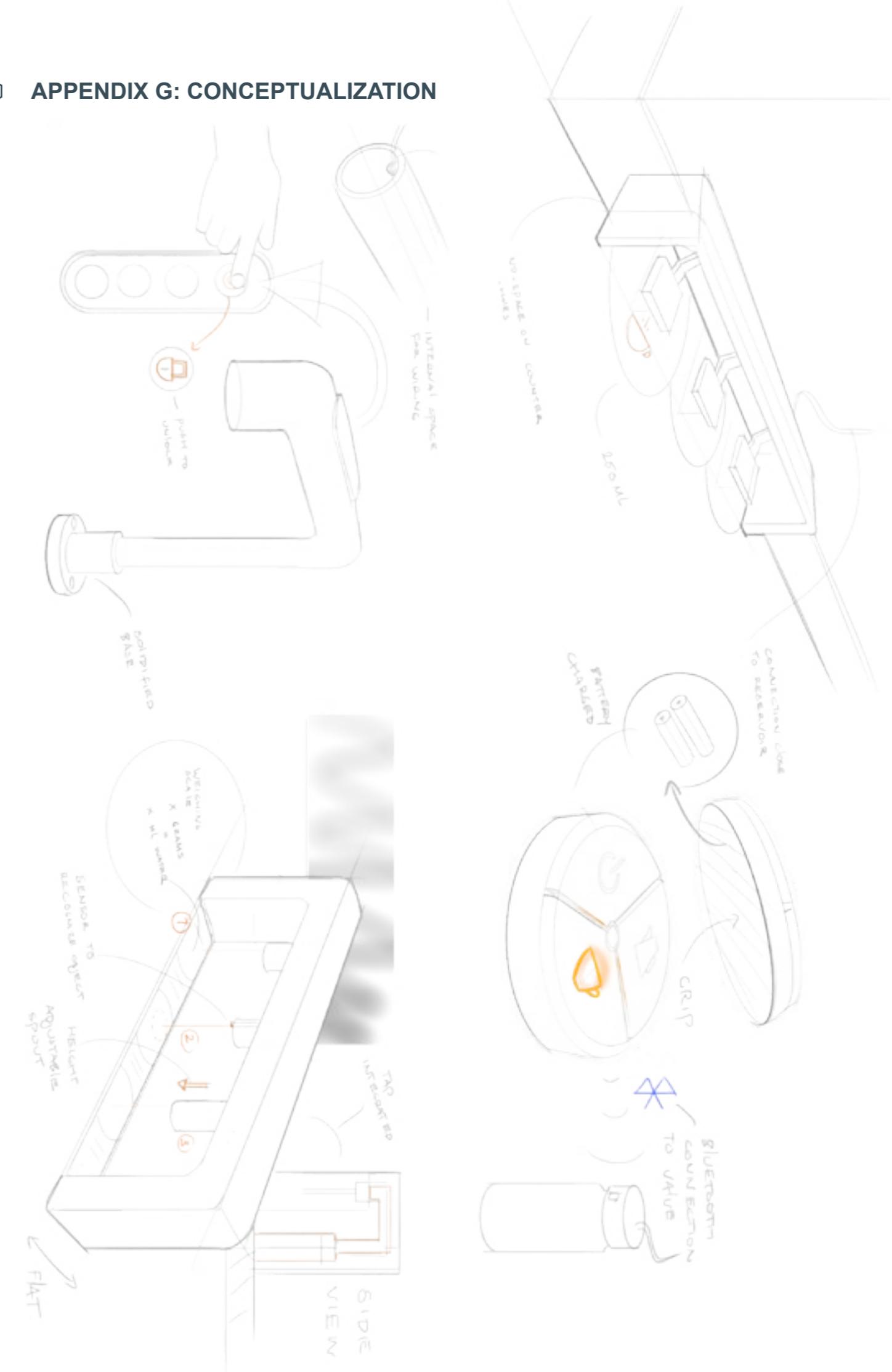
Most participants mentioned the possible efficiency as one of the first things when scoring a position or action before mentioning intuitivity and safety. Next to the three interaction qualities mentioned in the research questions, the participants point out the importance of a robust product, even if this detracts from the appearance of the product (Ed - Gulaino).

Which context characteristics are considered in the perception of safety, efficiency and intuitivity.

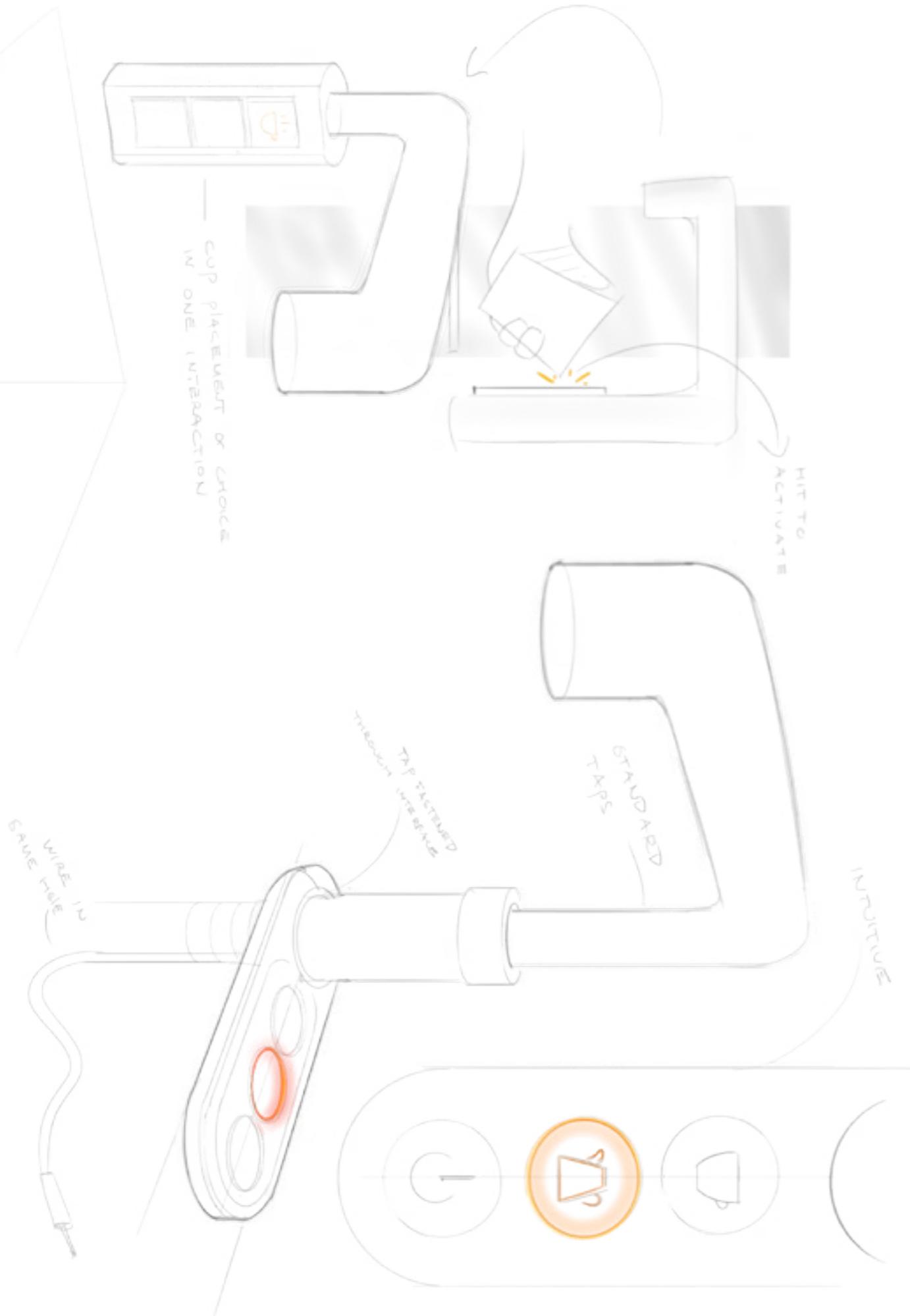
- Available counter space

Which user characteristics are considered in the perception of safety, efficiency and intuitivity.

- Level of thinking employee
- Safety of reaching ones arms to the interface



APPENDIX H: CONCEPT EVALUATION WITH QUOKKER



The verify the evaluation of the different concept on the design criteria, a session was held internally with the Quooker panel consisting out of the following employees:

Robbin Loois: productmanager (product portfolio/commercially)
 Ivo Legel: R&D Manager (technical feasibility and opportunities)
 Geoffrey Put: service manager (installation and product robustness)
 Roemer Linkers: R&D Engineer (technical feasibility and issues)
 Folco Verlinden: program manager (product portfolio / factory capabilities)

The following remarks were made on the presented concepts. The scores of each of the concept on the list of criteria was verified with the Quooker panel.

Spout concept:

Overall, the spout concept was considered a promising solution although the representatives of the R&D department questioned the scores for safety given in the harris profile. Future issues expected included the usability of the product such as for cancelling orders while the water is evaporating into a hot cloud of steam covering the interface. As Roemer described: "hanging your interface in a cloud of steam seems challenging and not in line with the desired safety, not to mentioned the challenges it poses to the materials used for the interface."

From a strategic point of view, Ivo and Robbin made comments as to the ease with which the new interface could be used for different taps of the portfolio. The spout concept would require to develop a dedicated spout which allows for interaction at the top and can withstand the resulting moment force around the base.. As all taps have different spout dimensions, developing a dedicated spout with the interface on top could only be used for one model unless a version is made for each of the taps included in the product portfolio, which supports the low scores given for the commercial criteria in the Harris profile. As Ivo (R&D manager) mentioned: "we would need to develop a new spout and more stable connection, a lot of new parts, it would turn into a whole new product which can only be connected to one tapmodel unless multiple spout versions are made."

Base concept:

The Quooker panel agreed with the base concept coming out as the most promising concept to proceed with. The location was considered an intuitive place for activation while it can create a more robust solution compared to the spout and stand-alone interface as the resulting forces on the actual tap are low.

From a strategic point of view, the base concept allows to attach different taps from the product portfolio to the interface without necessary adaptations to the product portfolio. The high scores given for the commercial and strategic criteria were confirmed by the panel.

Additional comments were made by Roemer concerning the ease with which the new interface could be cleaned, as it still placed on the counter where dirt might get stuck. The desire to have an interface which is easy to clean was taken into account during the embodiment phase.

Stand-alone:

The stand alone concept was considered a less interesting option, especially because the panel all agreed the wireless connection would not allow for the level of robustness desired in the F&B sector. Furthermore, the context research and interaction research convinced the panel that the required space on top and beneath the kitchen counter are limited which can lead to issues in case the wireless connectivity would be substituted for a wired solution.

APPENDIX I: CHOICE FOR FUSION & NORDIC TAP

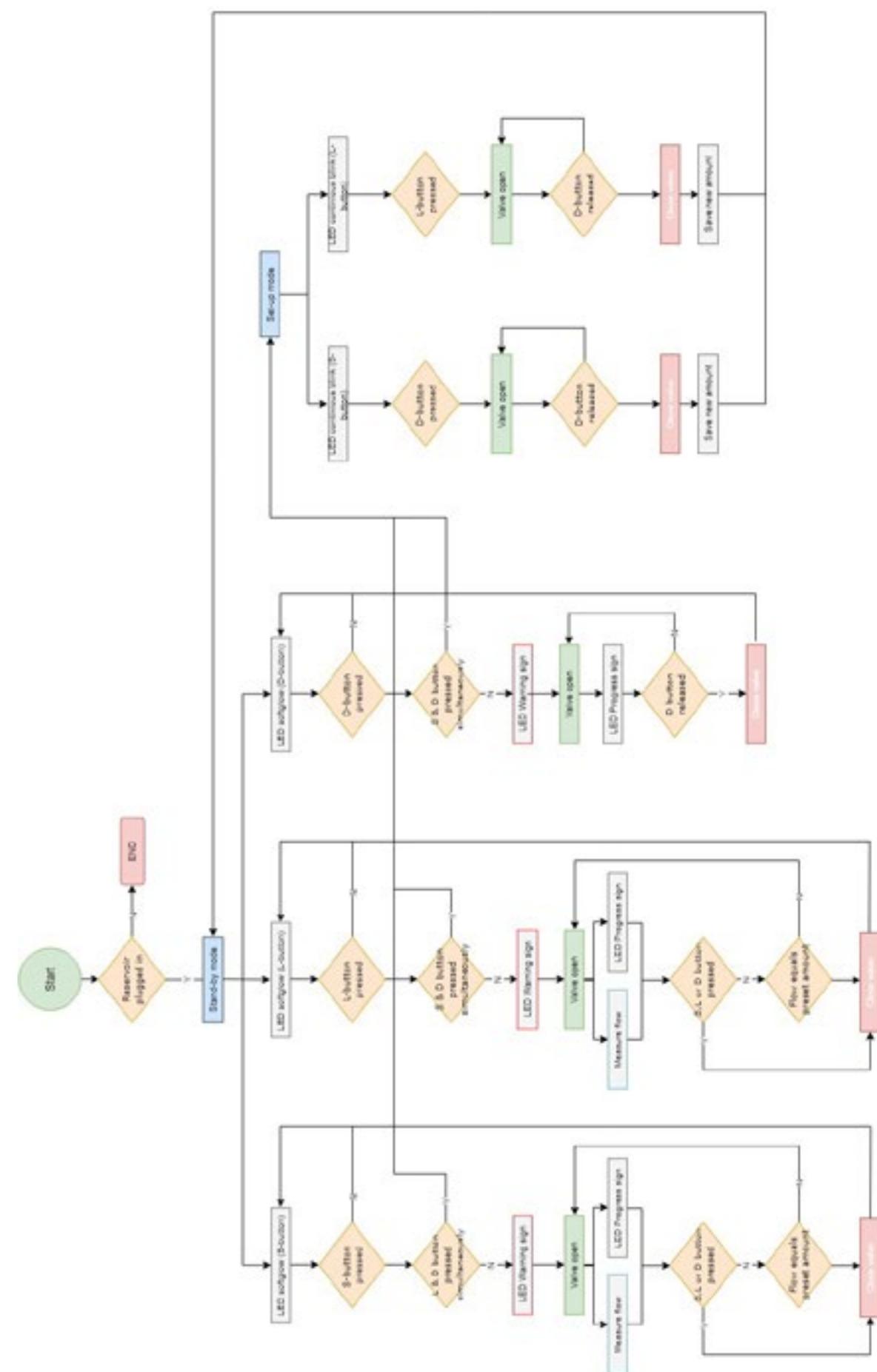
Before starting the embodiment phase, the range of taps which should be possible to connect with the interface was determined. The current production lines are focused on the development of the Fusion, Nordic and Flex tap. From these taps, the Nordic is most used in the F&B industry as it is dedicated to just boiling water while the Fusion and Flex tap also include canals for mixed water.

For the embodiment phase, the choice has been made to proceed with an interface which can be attached to the Nordic and Fusion taps. This would allow users to choose for both a dedicated boiling water (Nordic) and a combined tap (Fusion) and attach the interface to be developed. As the diameters of the Fusion and Nordic tap base are equal (40mm), the one size for the housing body can be maintained while including the Flex tap would require the interface to be attached to multiple diameters (40 & 46mm).

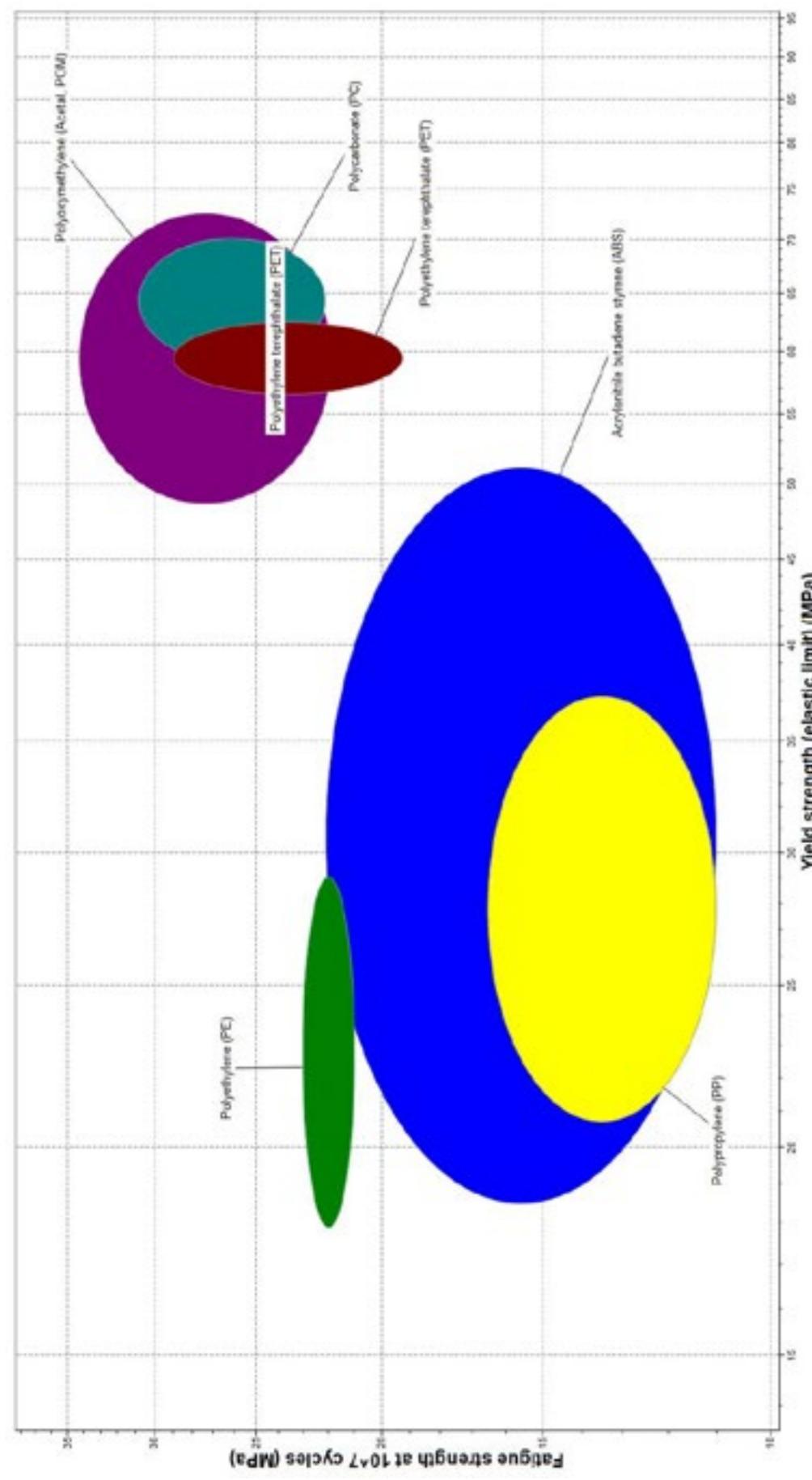
As the main use of the interface and tap in the F&B industry will be focused on boiling water, the flexible hose is not expected to provide benefits as it can not carry boiling water and represents a vulnerable part seeing the rough circumstances and use. Moreover, the Flex tap already contains an interface orientated sideways. This means attaching the F&B interface should always be placed on the opposite side of the standard tap interaction location (see figure below).



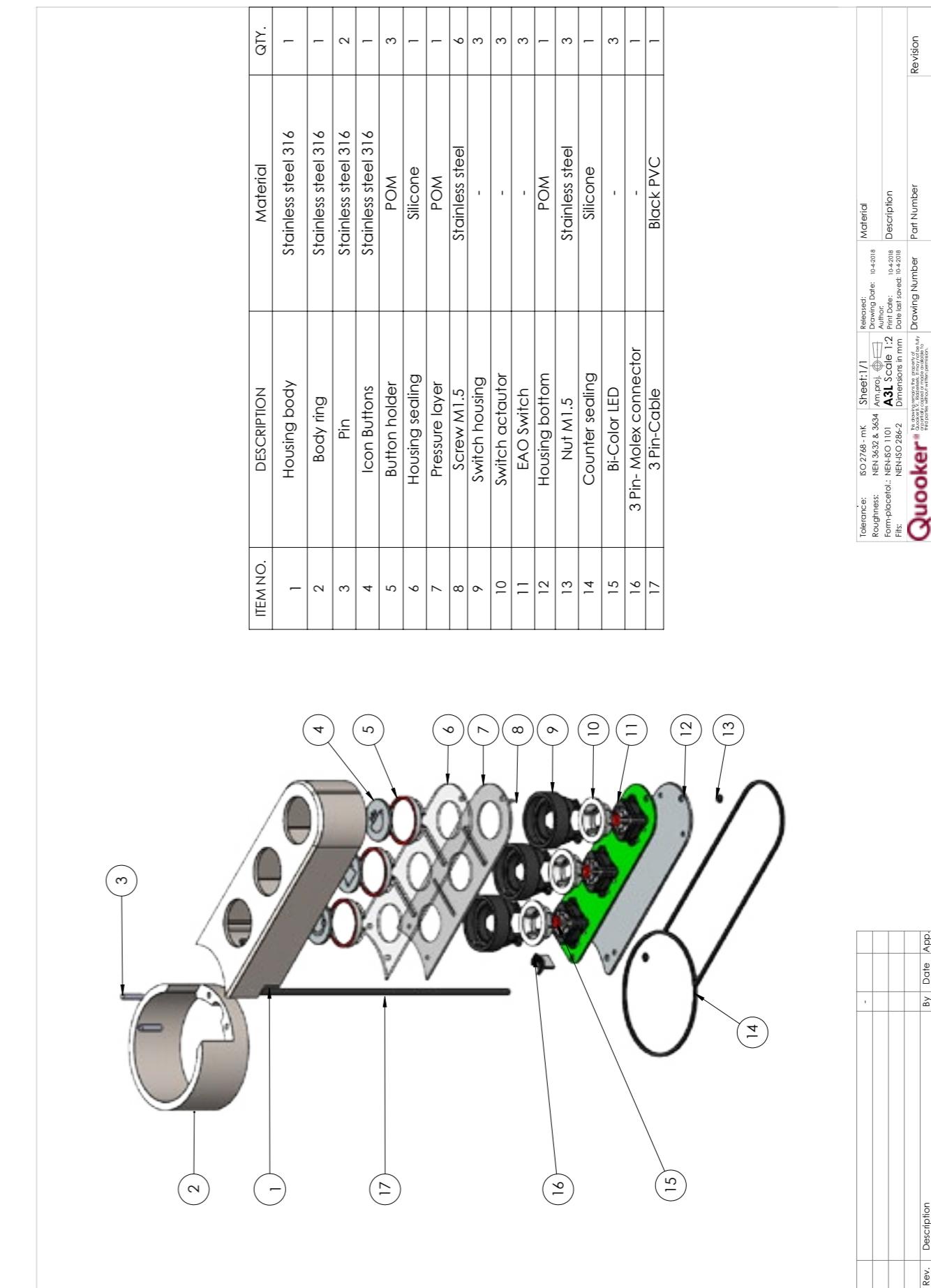
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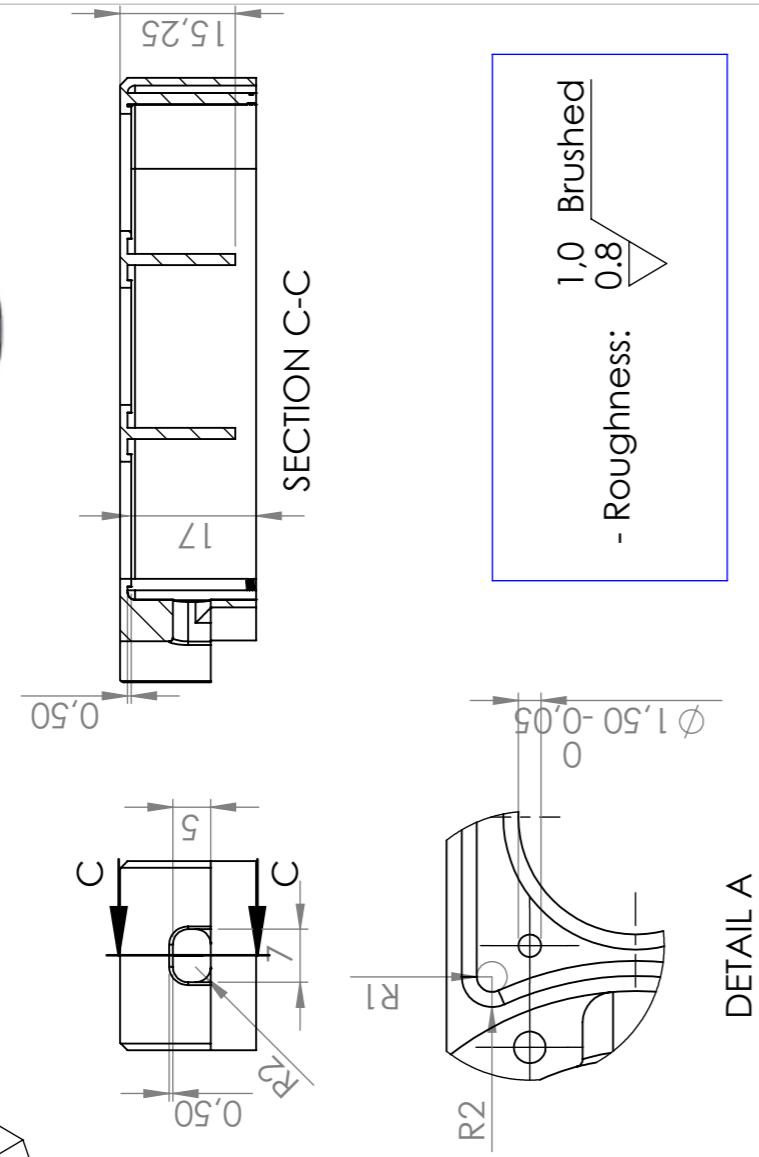
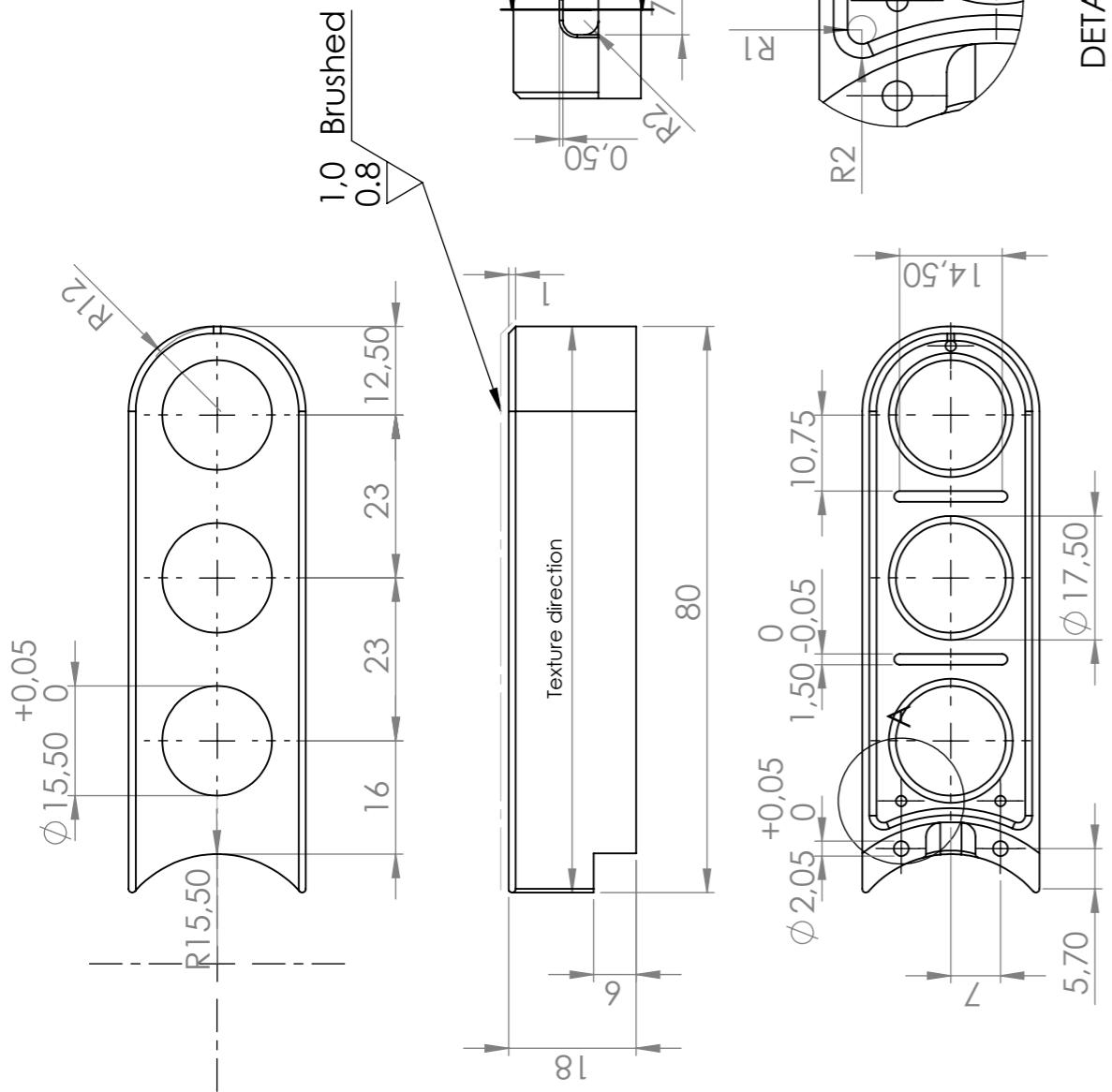
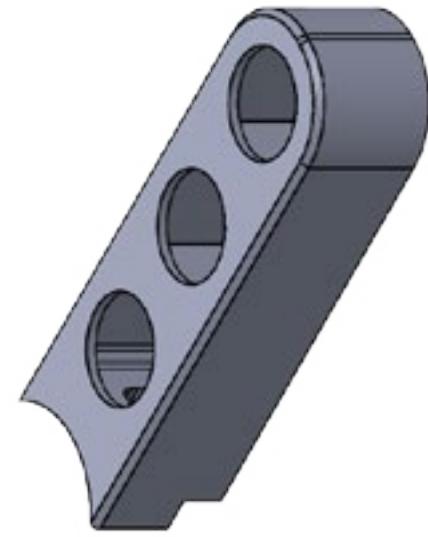


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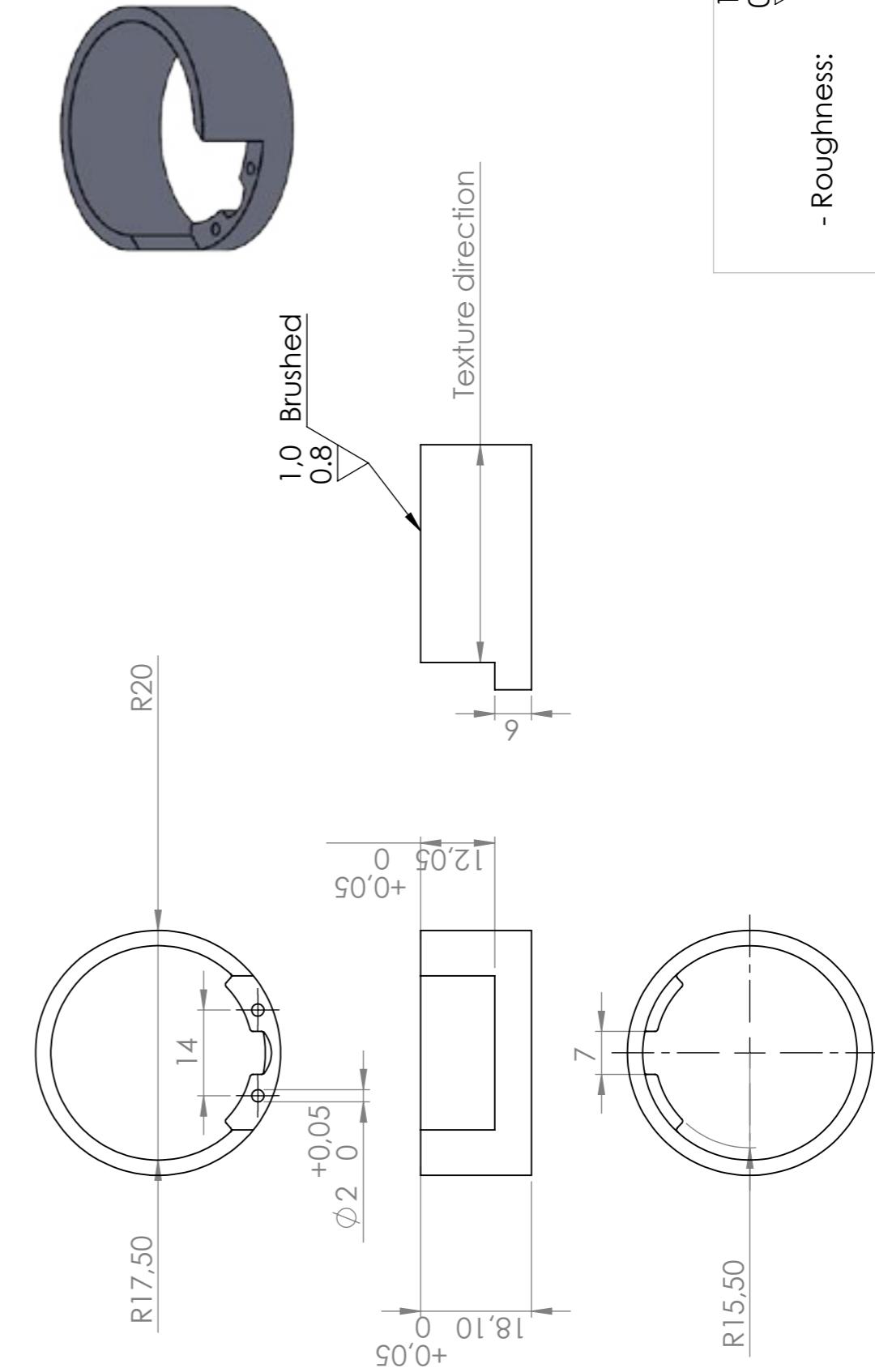
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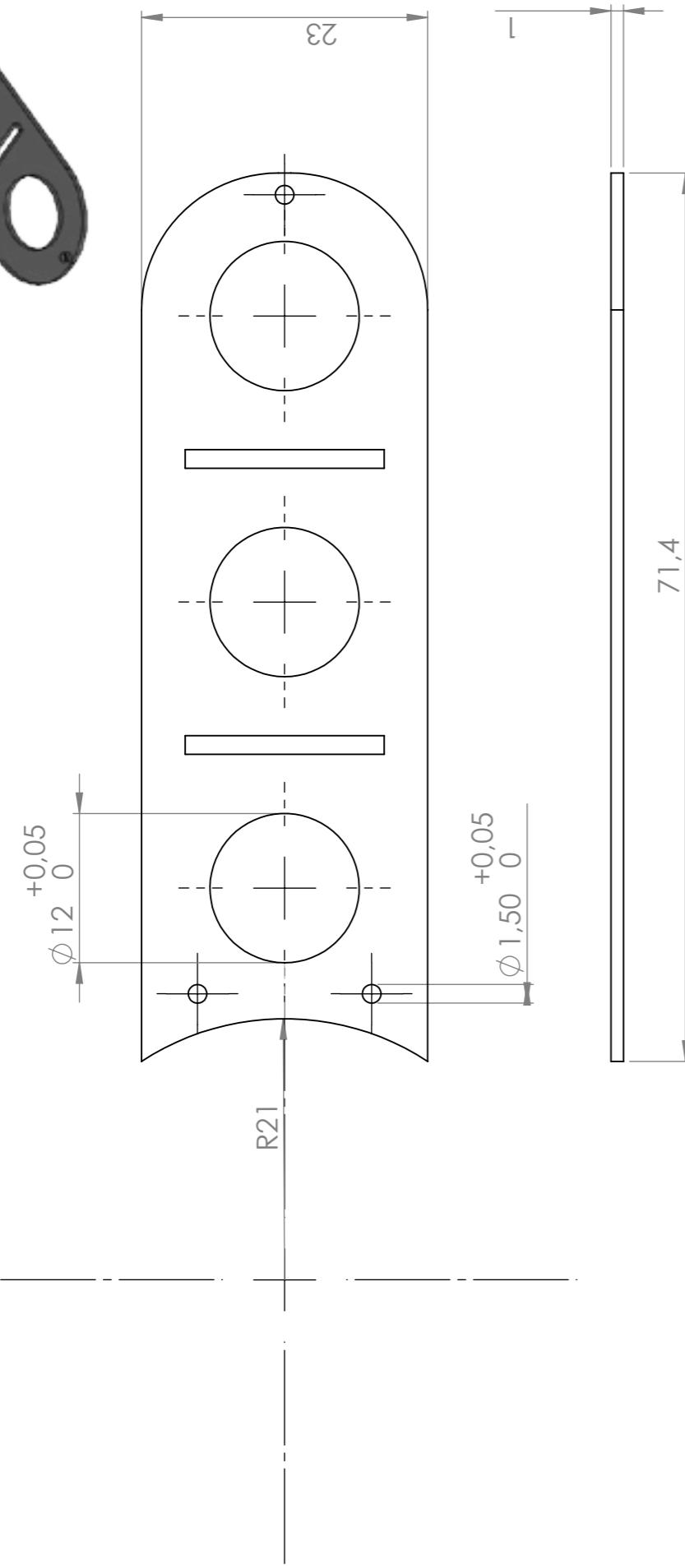


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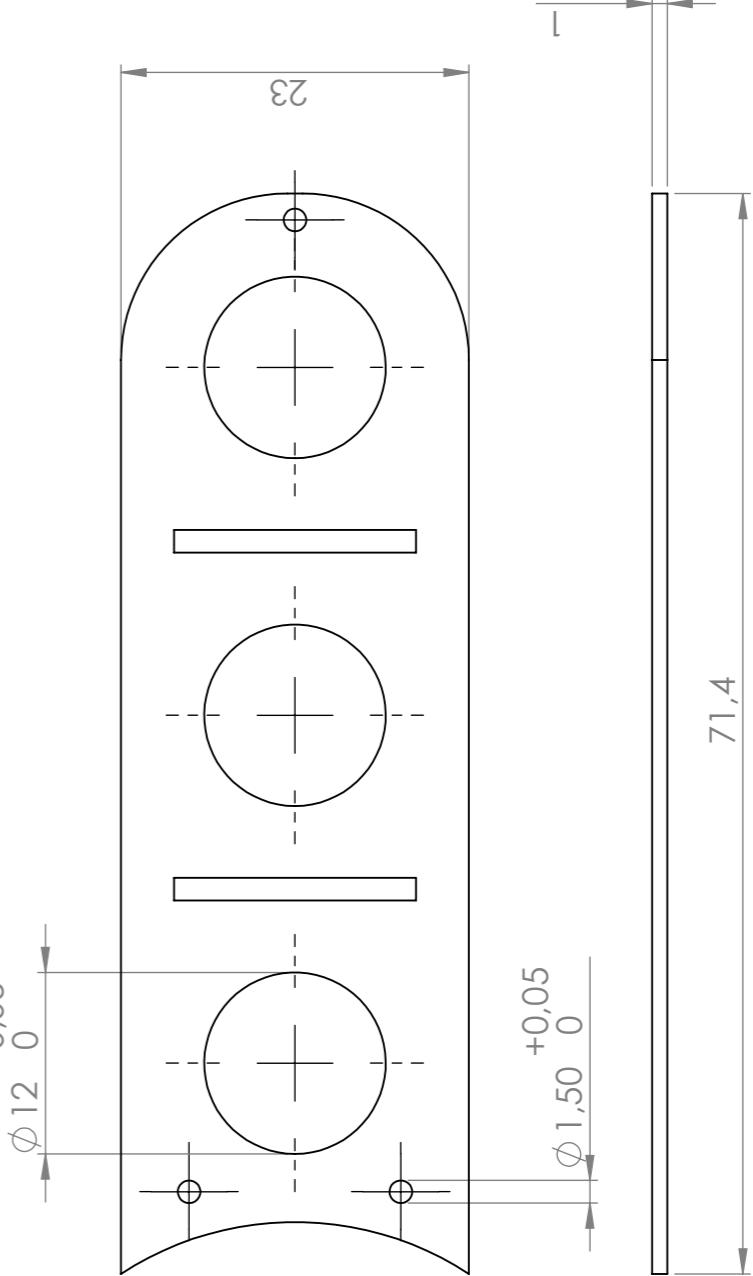
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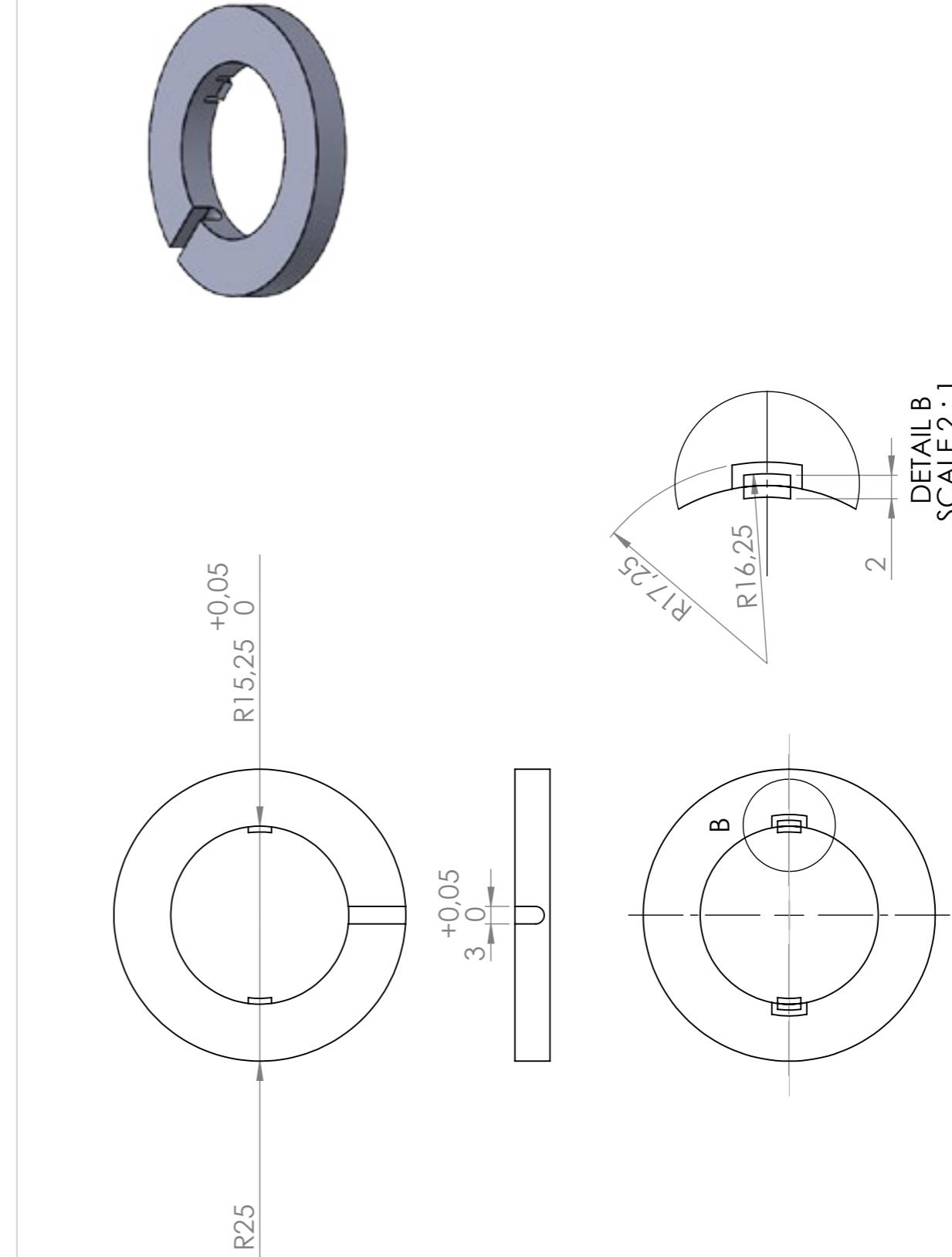
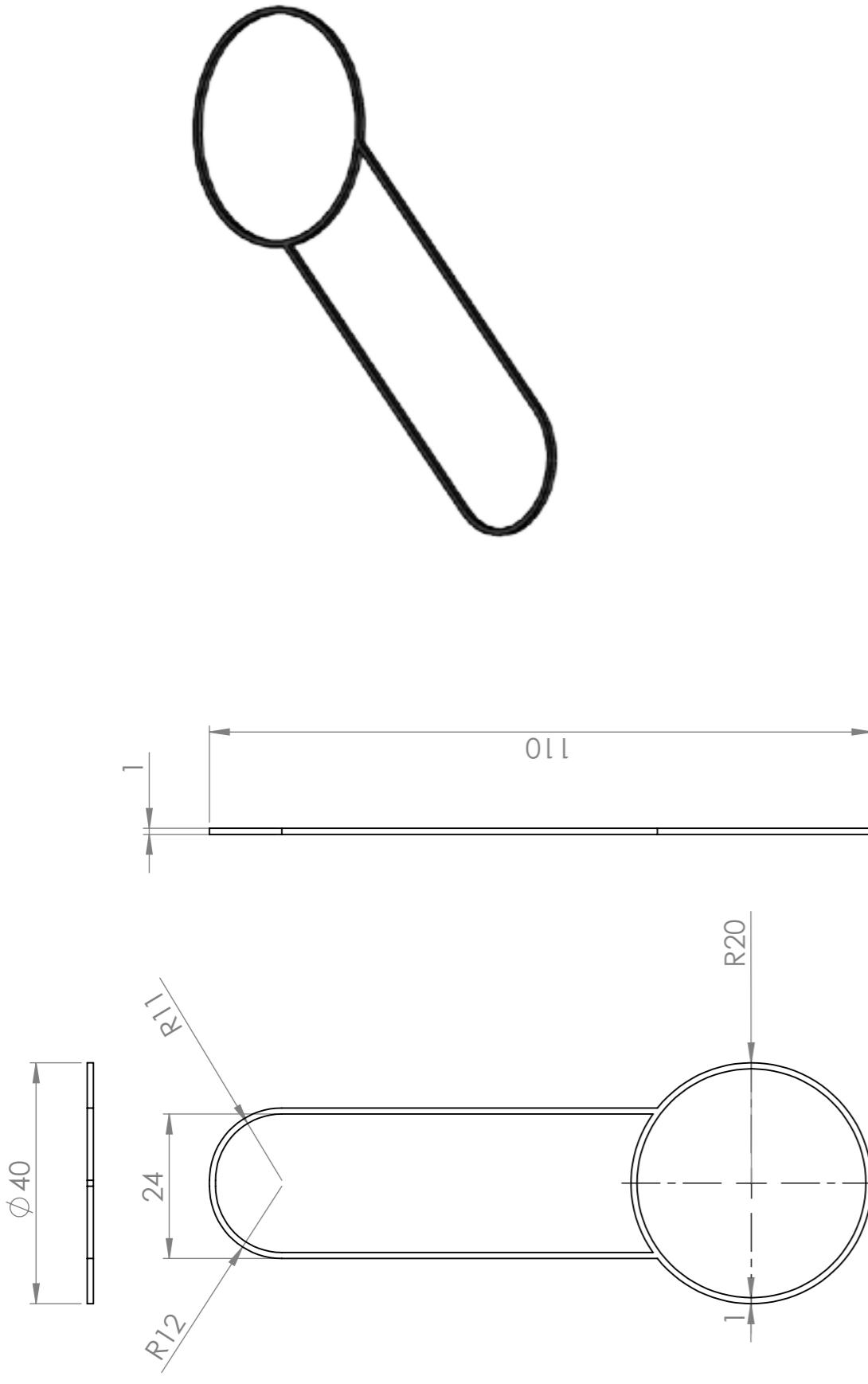
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APPENDIX M: END-USER EVALUATION

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Voor mijn master Integrated Product Design aan de TU Delft heb ik in samenwerking met Quooker B.V. onderzoek gedaan naar het gebruik van kokend water in de HoReCa en de mate waarin de huidige kokendwaterkraan van Quooker hier op aansluit. De uitkomst van mijn afstudeeropdracht is een alternatieve interface welke in gedurende dit onderzoek graag met u zou willen evalueren.

Ik stem geheel vrijwillig in met deelname aan dit onderzoek en ben op duidelijke wijze ingelicht over het doel, de methode en mogelijke risico's van dit onderzoek. Ik behoud me daarbij het recht voor om op elk moment zonder opgaaf van redenen mijn deelname aan dit onderzoek te beëindigen.

Ik geef toestemming en begrijp dat film-, foto, en videomateriaal of bewerking daarvan uitsluitend voor analyse en/of wetenschappelijke presentaties zal worden gebruikt.

Naam: _____ **Handtekening:** _____

Datum: _____

1. Interactiewaarden:

- a. In hoeverre denkt u dat het ontwerp een veilige interactie faciliteert? Wat maakt de interactie voor u veilig/onveilig?

Onveilig Extreem veilig

- b. In hoeverre denkt u dat het ontwerp een intuïtieve interactie faciliteert? Wat maakt de interactie voor u intuïtief/lastig te begrijpen?

Onveilig Extreem veilig

- c. In hoeverre denkt u dat het ontwerp een efficiënt interactie faciliteert? Wat maakt de interactie voor u efficiënt/efficiënt?

Onveilig Extreem veilig

2. **Ruimte op het aanrecht:** In hoeverre denkt u dat de huidige interface andere activiteiten op het aanrecht kan verstoren? Waarom wel/niet?
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3. **Opties:** Denkt u dat de drie opties van de interface voldoende zijn voor alle toepassingen van de kokend waterkraan binnen uw organisatie?
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- a. Stel u gebruikt de kraan 100 keer op een dag, hoe zouden deze dan verdeeld zijn over de drie opties (kopje, kan, vrije uitloop)

Kopje: _____ Kan: _____ Vrije uitloop: _____

4. **Prijs:** Gezien de huidige prijs van de Quooker die rond de € 1500 ligt, hoeveel extra zou u bereid zijn te betalen voor de toegevoegde functionaliteit?

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5. **Robuustheid:** Hoe denkt u over de robuustheid van dit ontwerp? Past deze binnen de context van uw organisatie? Zijn er dingen die u zou veranderen?
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6. **Overig:** Heeft u andere opmerkingen die niet in dit onderzoek aan bod zijn gekomen?
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USER RESEARCH: FIT OF THE F&B PANEL WITH F&B MARKET DESIRES

Introduction

In order to validate whether the final design meets the desired functionalities and experience described in previous user research, the prototype was tested with the target group. Participants were asked to experiment with the functionalities of the interface followed up by a semi structured interview in which the fit with the desired interaction qualities and characteristics of the product was examined.

Method

Participants

A total of three participant from two different organizations participated in the research, one lunchroom and a coffee bar. Interviews in the F&B market showed that in the bigger organisations ,more than 100 seats, the increased speed is a strong wish as well as the increased intuitivity in situations where the tap is open to be used by guests. Whereas the potential added value of the new interface in these market segments is high, the added value in the coffee-bars and lunchrooms can be more critical as the number of seats are lower and the tap is only being used by staff. In order to realize the aim of selling 2,500 products annually, including these markets is critical as they represent around 30% of the total amount of F&B organisations. This qualitative research could give insights in to the feasibility of offering a product attractive for all the different market segments and reach the desired sales numbers.

Materials

The following materials were used to carry out the research

- A Quooker Nordic single tap
- Quooker demo furniture
- F&B Panel prototype
- PRO VAC3 Reservoir
- Water pump
- Arduino
- 5V Powerbank
- Cable reel
- Go-pro clamp mount
- Go-pro camera
- Interview sheet
- Pen
- Nexus 5X phone
- Quooker bus
- Pallet
- Consent form

Procedure

First, the participants were informed about the purpose of the research and asked to sign the consent form. Next, the participants were asked to describe the expected functionalities of the three buttons by looking at the symbols. After discussing these, the researcher assigned the task to try each of the functions from left to right. During the process of the second "big amount" function, the participant was asked to cancel the order.

After experiencing the prototype, a semi structured interview was carried out by means of the following questions:

Measures

Participants were video and audio recorded during the try out session as well as during the interview. Important quotes made by participants on the interview topics were written down digitally with help of the recordings.

Results

Interaction Qualities

Participants in both organisations confirmed the interaction met the desired qualities of safe, intuitive and efficient. Concerning the symbols, the Quooker logo which was used for the dispense function was not immediately understood.

One participant mentioned the requirement of not being able to activate without intending to which is described in the list of requirements. In the prototype, not all buttons were exactly lined out with the housing body, which means leaning your hand in the interface will activate the tap which can lead to dangerous situations. This indicates the tolerances in the housing body other sub assemblies are important to guarantee a safe interface.

Space on the counter

Asking about the possible obstruction the interface would present of performing other activities on the counter, the participants from both organizations mentioned the size of the interface would not limit the staff.

An observation made during the try-out part of the research, showed the user was not able to have a clear view on the interface once the pot was placed beneath the outlet (figure X). This was also caused by the fact the furniture with tap was placed inside a van which did not equal the height of a regular counter.

Options

The owner and one of the staff members of "Guliano" lunch café mentioned the big amount option would not be necessary normally as 90% of their boiling water tap use is for cups. However, they would not be disturbed by the options as for certain occasion such as high-teas for big groups, pots are being used. The owner of "Lokaal koffie bar" explained to use both pots and cups and would benefit from having all three options.

APPENDIX N: LIST OF REQUIREMENTS CHECK

Both participants indicated to see the adjustability of the cup and pot amounts as a benefit in case tableware or the drinks menu change.

Price

When being asked about the additional price both organisations would be willing to pay, Lokaal and Guliano mentioned the amount of, respectively, 250 and 500 euros.

Robuustheid

The expected robustness of the interface was seen as a benefit of this product by both organisations. As one of the staff members of Guliano mentioned the "simple" buttons would likely be more sustainable than the "double-push-turn" interface which has a more complex geometry and working principle.

Conclusion

Evaluating the prototype with two F&B organisations provided some first feedback and insights into the fit of the solution with the desires and characteristics of the lunchroom and fastfood (coffee-bar) segments. The results of this qualitative research showed the clarity of the icon indicating the dispense function can be improved as , different from the cup and pot icon, this function was not recognized upon first use.

Concerning the safety of the of the interface, one organization mentioned the probability of activating one of the buttons accidentally. Although buttons should include an efficient way of activating, the top of the buttons should not stand out from the top of the housing body, to prevent accidental activation when, for example, the user rests his or her hand on the interface.

The try-out part of the research showed that the line of sight users have relative to the interface should be taken into account as icons might be blocked in case big objects are placed in front. Preferably, users should have a clear view on the interface which means the height and depth on which the tap is placed should be taken into account if possible.

Discussing the robustness of the system, both organisation only questioned the ease of cleaning and the probability of grease gettik stuck in the sealing or other cavities of the interface. This was taken into account in the choice of the materials and the geometry of the design, for more information regarding the cleaning recommendations, see chapter X.

REQUIREMENT	SOURCE	VALIDATION		EXPLANATION
		VALIDATED IN PROJECT	ENQUIÈTE	
1. Performance				
1.1	Product interaction fits with the interaction vision qualities: efficient, safe & intuitive.	User test & Enquête		
1.2	User Research (orientation phase)	User test		
1.3 Wish	User Research (orientation phase)	User test		Evaluation research in all the different markets segments is needed to verify whether this wish is met
1.4 Wish	Strategic direction	Enquête		For this requirement a flow sensor is to be used which is currently not included in the system
1.5	FMEA analysis	Prototype test		
1.6	User Research (orientation phase)	Prototype test		
1.7	Function analysis	Prototype test		
1.8	User interaction research	Prototype test		
1.9	Function analysis	Prototype test		
1.10	User interaction research	3D CAD Model		
1.11	Quooker	Prototype		
1.12	Interaction panel research	Prototype		
1.13	Housing body research	Prototype		
1.14	Norm study	Prototype		In the current model the product should be disassembled to change the lay-out. Further development should enable a more convenient way of changing the button lay-out
1.15 Wish	Option layouts can be easily changed	Quooker concept evaluation	Prototype	LED's tested in the prototype require a current of 20mA each. Therefore the functionality with industrial LED's should be verified.
1.16	Required current < 20mA (max current delivered by connected reservoir)	Quooker	Prototype	
1.17	Finger interaction areas have a minimal diameter of 11 mm	Housing body research	Prototype	Interaction areas are placed 8mm apart, none of the participants mentioned the space on the interface was too small.
1.18 Wish	Finger interaction areas are located 13mm apart	Housing body research	Prototype	
1.19	Options can be activated by push- or touching motion (user interaction research)	User interaction research	Prototype	
1.20	Provides tactile confirmation feedback during activation	User interaction research	Prototype	

1.21	Should fixate tap in holes ranging in diameter from 35mm to 38 mm.	Housing body research	Prototype	
1.22	Leave space for Ø38mm wire to be pulled through and reach the reservoir	Housing body research	Prototype	
1.23	LED's communicate in different colors for "stand-by" and "warning" mode	Interaction panel research	Prototype	
2. Reliability				
2.1	Interface has adequate mechanical strengths and is constructed as to withstand rough handling (600 interactions daily).	Norm study / User Research (orientation phase)	Durability test	Durability tests should verify whether this requirement is met
2.2	Interface provides protection against harmful ingestion of grease, acids or cleaning liquids.	Norm study / Quooker	Prototype	Durability tests should verify whether this requirement is met
2.3	Interface provides protection against harmful ingestion of water (IP 21).	Norm study / Quooker	IP 21 Test	Out of project scope
2.4	Interface should not conflict with the radius of the tap neck.	FMEA analysis	3D CAD model	
2.5	Prevent rotation of the panel relative to the tap as a result of pushing force applied by the user	Housing body 3D prints	Prototype	
3. Safety				
3.1	Interface does not hold the potential to be accidentally activated	Norm study	User test	
3.2	Activation should require a physical interaction with the interface	User interaction research	Prototype test	
3.3	No ragged or sharp edges creating a hazard for the user in normal use or during user maintenance.	Norm study	3D CAD model	Out of project scope
3.4	No excessive temperatures in normal use (<44 °C).	Norm study	3D CAD model simulation / Prototype	Out of project scope
3.5	Unlikely that interface makes operator touch parts having a temperature rise exceeding the value specified (<44 °C).	Norm study	User test	Out of project scope
3.6	Interface avoids operator to bring hand or arm in line with the boiling water outlet of the spout.	Interaction User Research	Prototype test	
3.7	Operates on a maximum of 12V	Quooker	Prototype test	
3.8	Interface provides adequate protection against accidental contact with live parts.	Norm study	User test	Out of project scope
4. Materials				
4.1	Materials should be able to withstand 100 °C water.	FMEA analysis	Durability test	
4.2	Materials can withstand grease, acids and cleaning liquids.	Norm study	Durability test	
4.3	Materials do not have the characteristic to corrode or hold moist and bacteria.	Norm study	Durability test	
4.4 Wish	Materials do not decrease as a result of extensive and long use.	Style analysis	Durability test	Out of project scope
5. Ergonomics				
5.1	Interface allows activation with one hand	User & context research / Interaction vision	User test	
5.2	Product should be understandable for novice users with minimal instructions.	User & context research	User test	
5.3 Wish	The interface should be understandable upon first use. (wish)	User Research (orientation phase)	User test	The dispense icon should be reconsidered and evaluated with the target group to meet this wish
5.4	Interface can be comfortably activated by operators aged 16-67 for 600 interactions a day.	User Research (orientation phase)	User test	
6. Environment				
6.1	Water spillage is minimized to <1% of required amount.	Internal analysis	User test	
7. Life in service				
7.1	Product should last for at least 5 years or 730.000 repetitions. (5 years of 400 daily interactions)	Worst case scenario	Durability test	Out of project scope
8. Maintenance				
8.1	Interface allows users to adjust the standard amounts for a cup or pot.	User Research (orientation phase) & Quooker service department	User test	
8.2 Wish	Interface does not require the drilling of additional holes in the counter.	Quooker service department	3D CAD Model	
9. Target product costs				
9.1	Increase in product costs or costs of separate component < €100,-	Based on current solutions & investment costs for producing 2,500 products	Cost price estimation	
10. Quantity				
10.1	2,500 products annually.	Strategic direction	-	
11. Production facilities				
11.1	Product can be produced in house.	Quooker's inhouse production policy	Validate with production department	
11.2 Wish	Interaction panel requires minimal assembly time	Desired max product costs	Prototype	
12. Aesthetics				
12.1	Product fits the minimalististic Jiri style embedded in the current product portfolio.	Style analysis	Questionnaire	Questionnaires among the target group should be done to verify whether this requirements is met
12.2	Stainless steel 316 for steel parts	Style analysis	Prototype	
12.3	Chamfers should be 1mm in height with an angle of 45 degrees.	Meeting Jiri	Prototype / 3D CAD Model	
12.4	Use of circular shapes close to the diameters included in the tap.	Meeting Jiri	Prototype / 3D CAD Model	
13. Standard & regulations				
13.1	Fixing in wrong position of handles, knobs indicating position of switches or similar components not possible	Norm study	User test	
13.2	Should fit within standard 35 mm fixation hole.	Norm study	3D CAD Model	
14. Quooker product policy				
14.1 Wish	Housing body allows to attach Quooker taps to the counter:			
	- Nordic single tap (Ø40mm base & Ø30mm threaded bush)			
	- Fusion (Ø39.90mm base and Ø34.80mm placeholder for thread and tubes)			
15. Reuse and recycling				
15.1	Product is detachable for maintenance or replacement.	Internal analysis / FMEA	Prototype	

