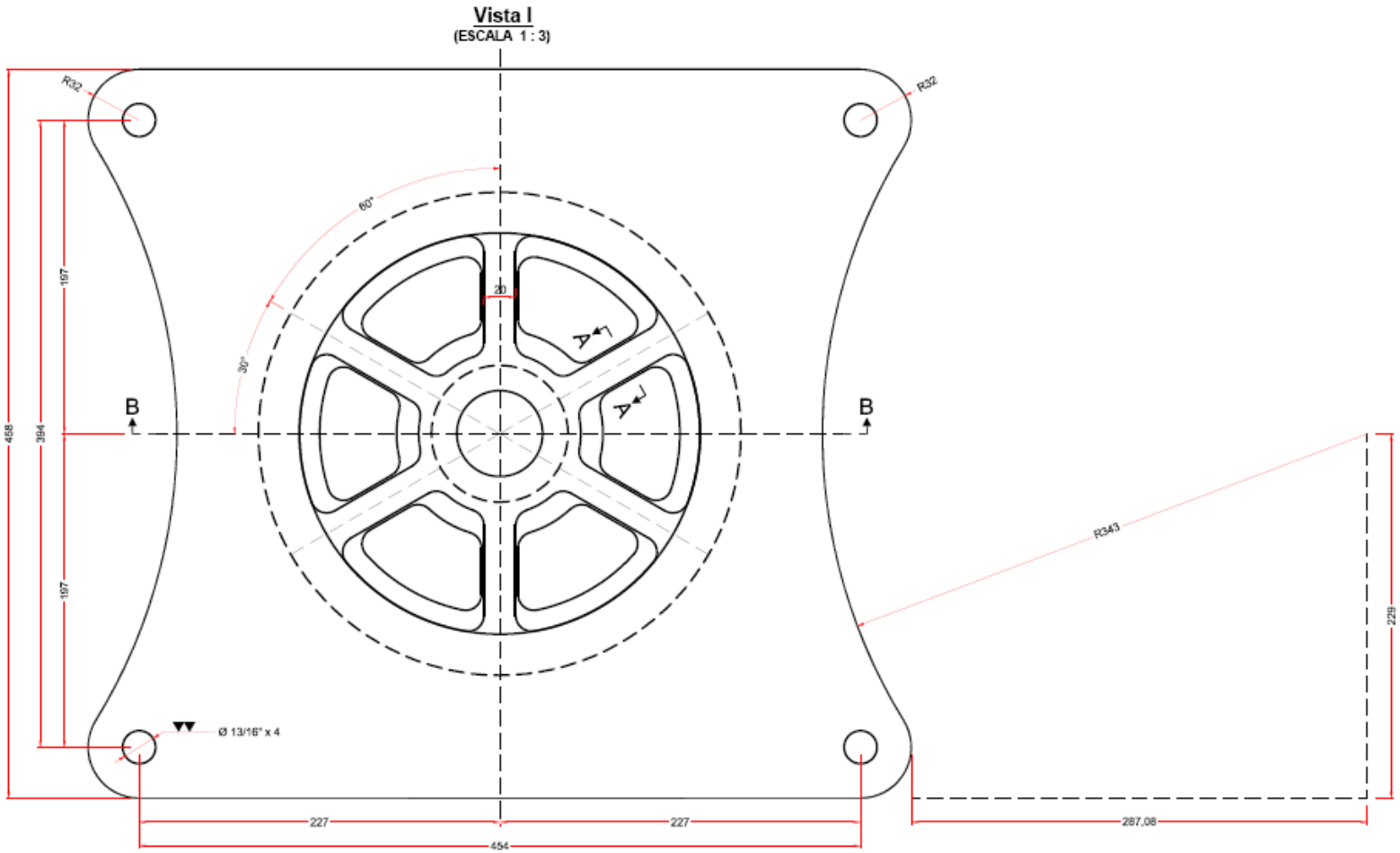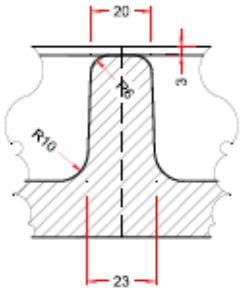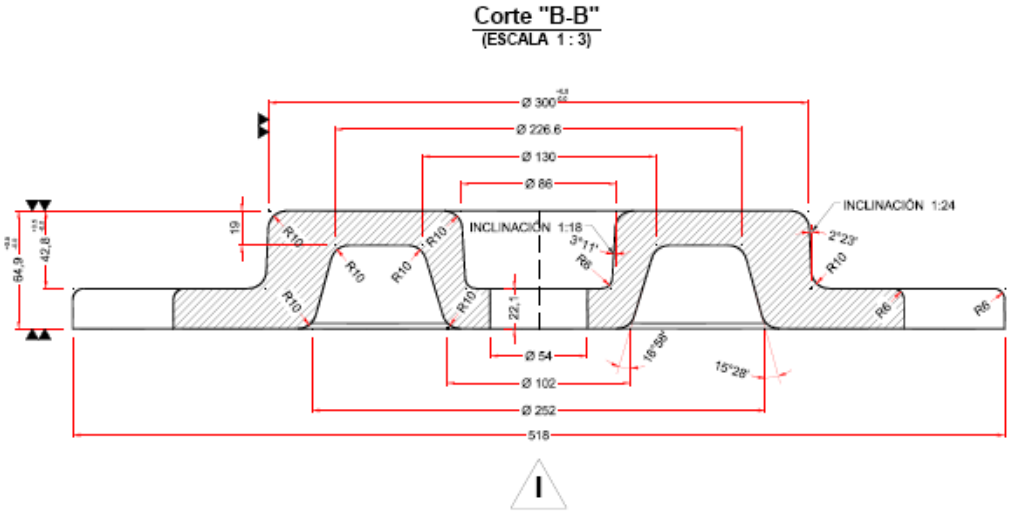PLATO CENTRAL