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1 Navigation of Annotation commands.

Annotation commands can be accessed in several different places. Commands are in the ribbon menu, the Mini Toolbar, the right mouse click menus, the side bar menus and several O-I company defined toolbars.

When a command is started, a Dialog Box will open. The Dialog Box shows all of the operations available for a given command.

Some Dialog Boxes can be expanded to provide more options. Expand these Dialog Boxes by clicking the double down arrow. The Dialog Boxes can be shrunk by clicking the double up arrow.

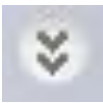


Figure 1-1 Expand the Dialog Box.



Figure 1-2 Shrink the Dialog Box.

If a command is started with the Mini Toolbar, the Dialog Box may not show. To show the Dialog Box, click the green arrow to expand the command. To have the Dialog Box open by default when a command is started from the Mini Toolbar, click the icon shown in [FIGURE 1-3](#).



Figure 1-3 Display Dialog box when a command is started from a Mini Toolbar.

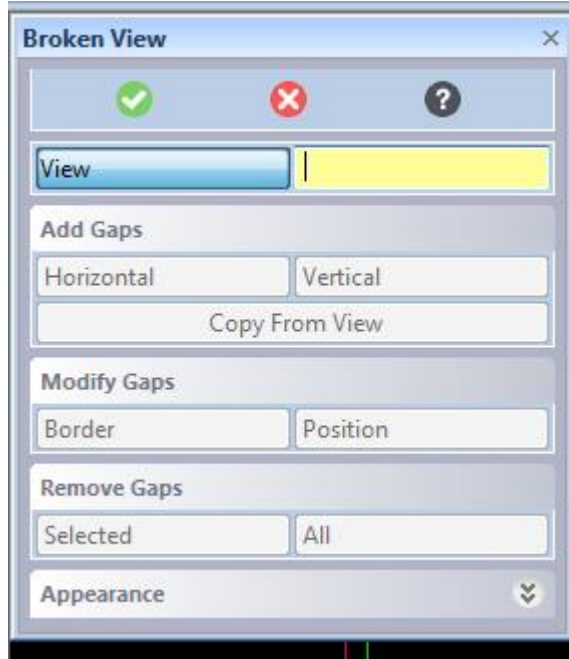


Figure 1-4 This is a typical Dialog Box.

Several customized commands are in the O-I toolbars. To display these toolbars go to

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This will open up the Customize Command window.

Select the Toolbars tab. Toolbars can be displayed by clicking the radio button next to the toolbar. Drag the toolbars to a desired location on the borders. O-I customized toolbars have “O-I” in the name.

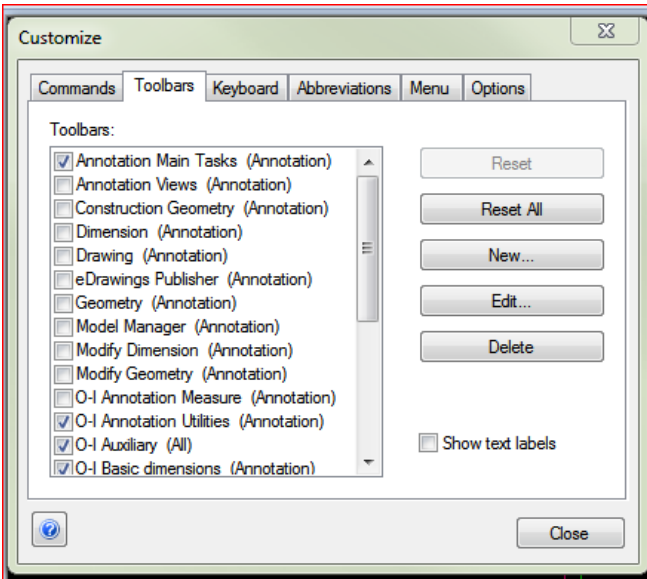


Figure 1-5 Customize Toolbars menu.

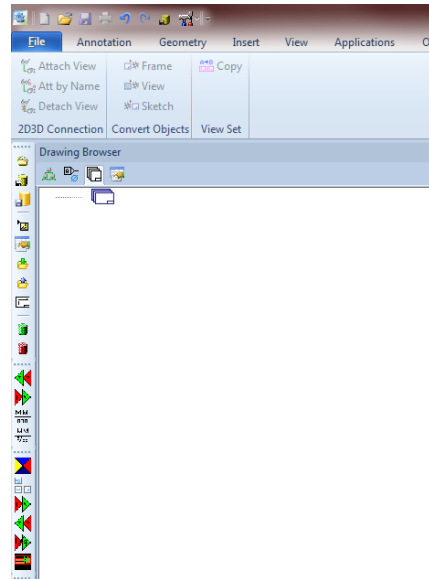


Figure 1-6 Example of toolbars placed on the border.

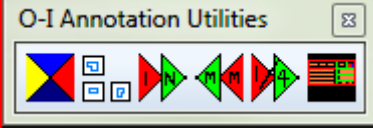
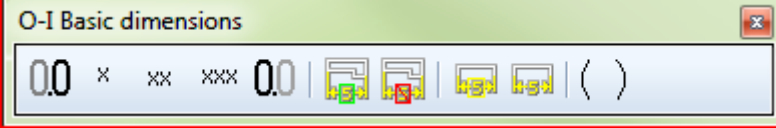
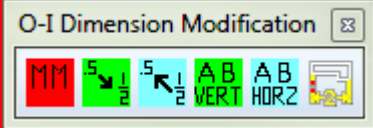

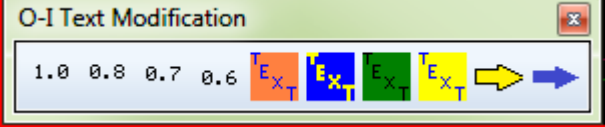
Toolbar name	Toolbar functions
O-I Annotation Utilities	 <p>Update drawing, update view, Inch settings, metric settings, fractional settings, insert change card</p>
O-I Basic Dimensions	 <p>Suppress the leading zero, Modify dimension decimal places to 1, 2 or 3, suppress dimension trailing zero, modify dimension turn basic box on, turn basic box off, Turn basic box on/Off for selected dimensions, add parenthesis to selected dimensions</p>
O-I Dimension Modification	 <p>Modify dimension to metric, fractional inch, decimal inch, Modify dimension text to vertical/horizontal, break overlapping extension lines</p>
O-I Model Manager 3D	 <p>Open Workspace, Save 2D (recommended), Save (slower), Add thumbnail, DB drawing properties, Reserve, Unreserve, Update title block, Start Model Manager, Stop Model Manager</p>
O-I Text Modification	 <p>Change Text Ratios, 1:1, .0.8:1, 0.7:1, 0.6:1. Change text color to Orange, Blue, Bold printing Green, Yellow, Change leader to yellow, Change leader to non-printing blue.</p>

Table 1 Suggested Annotation toolbars.

For a full explanation of the O-I Toolbars, please see the document Creo Elements/Direct Modeling O-I Toolbar Menus.

2 Browser Bar

The browser bar in Annotation has three different Browser Views that will be used on a regular bases. Change the Browser View by clicking the appropriate icon on top of the Browser Bar.



Figure 2-1 Structure Browser

The Structure Browser View shows all of the models currently loaded.

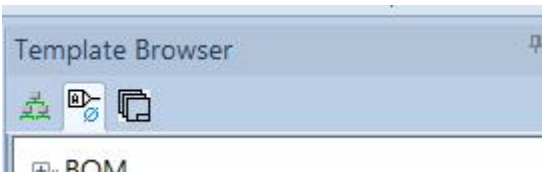


Figure 2-2 Template Browser

The Template Browser shows all of the Corporate and User defined Text, Symbol, and Drawing templates.

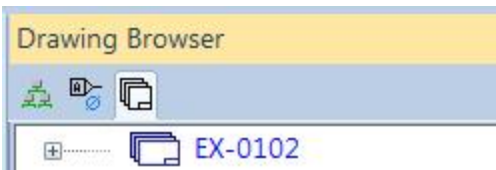


Figure 2-3 Drawing Browser

The Drawing Browser shows the current drawing, the sheets in the drawing and what views are on each sheet.

3 Create a new drawing.

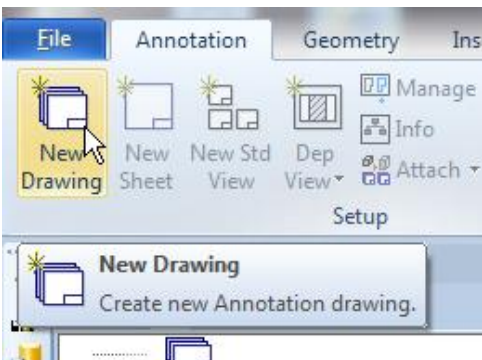


Figure 3-1 Start the New Drawing command.

Start the **New Drawing** command. Annotation will give a warning if a drawing is currently loaded.

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Figure 3-2 Select the Front and Up Direction.

Select the Owner of the view.

Select the Front direction by Clicking the Front Dir button and then clicking the face, an edge or a pair of points to define the front direction. The arrow will point into the view.

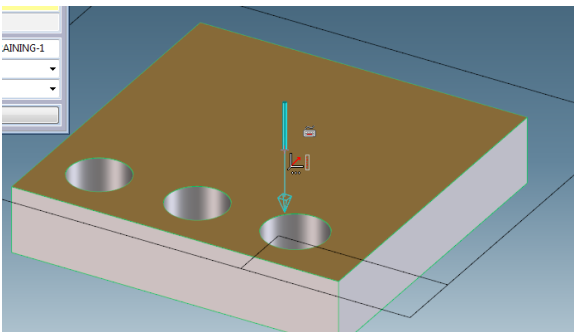


Figure 3-3 The arrow points into the view.

Pressing the Tab key will toggle the arrow direction.

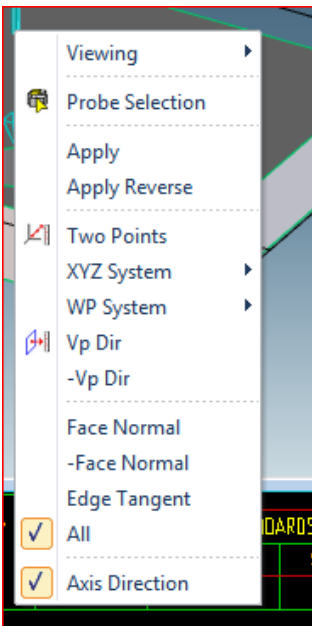


Figure 3-4 Right click options.

The default direction selection defaults to +/- Face direction and edge tangent direction. Right clicking brings up a menu with more direction options such as direction by Two Points.

Click the Up Direction and select an edge, a face or two points for the direction. Again, pressing the tab key will toggle the arrow direction.

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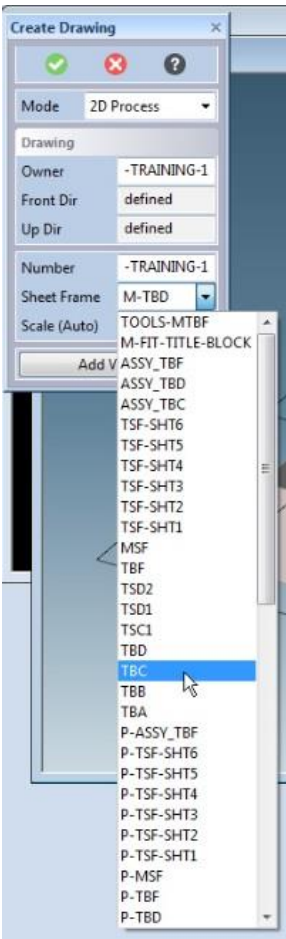


Figure 3-5 Select the Sheet size.

Select the appropriate sheet size for the drawing.

The Sheet size can always be changed later if more space for views is required.

(The user must be logged into Model Manager to see the title blocks.)

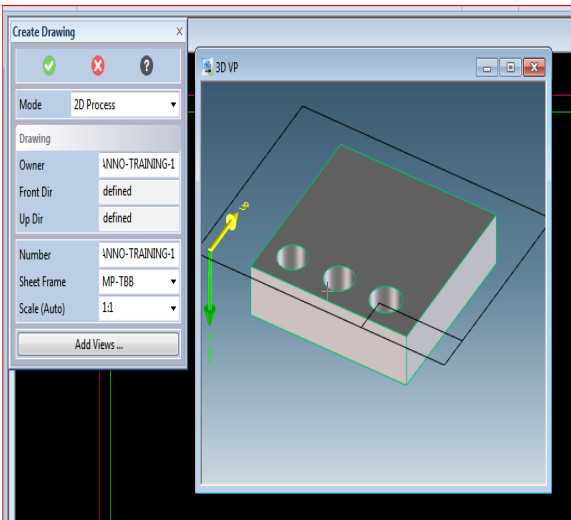


Figure 3-6 click the Add Views button.

Click the Add Views button to expand the Create Drawing menu.

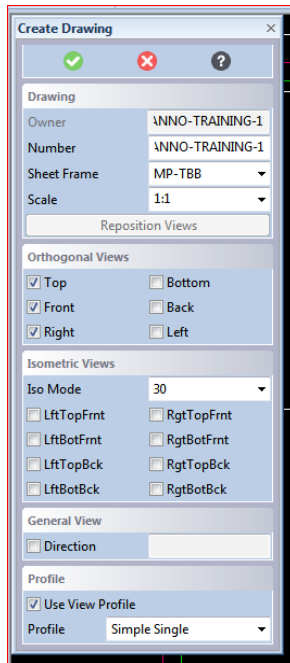


Figure 3-7 Select the desired views.

The default views are Top, Front and Right. The user can select any view required. A view can be unselected by clicking the radio button again to remove the checkmark.

Select the desired scale. This can be modified later if needed.

The Direction radio button opens up the Auxiliary 3D viewport. The user can position the 3D model and right click to select the command **Apply this direction**. A view will be created from the chosen perspective.

Make sure that the Use View Profiles button is checked. See chapter 15 VIEW PROFILES.

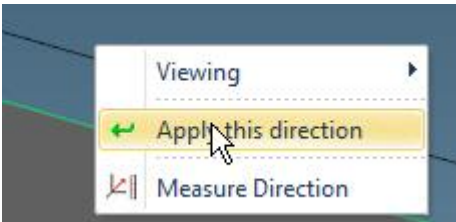


Figure 3-8 View Direction.

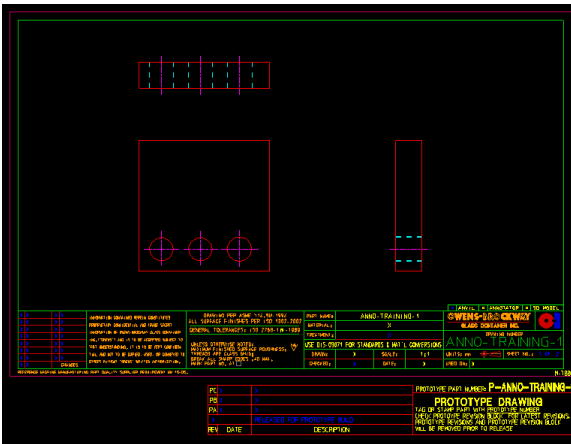


Figure 3-9 Place the views on the drawing.

Position the views on the drawing.

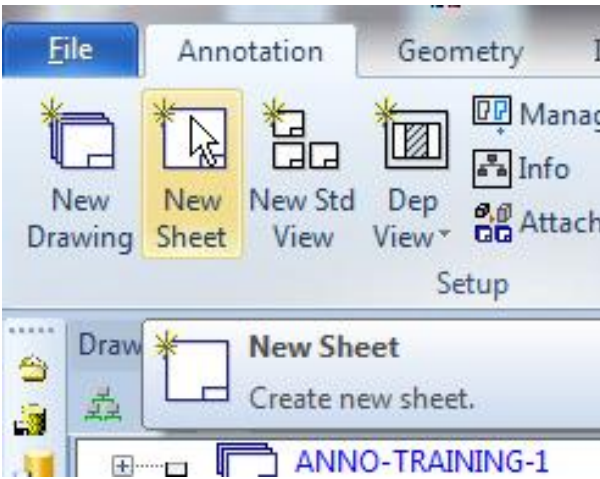
Initially the views will just be cyan colored blocks until they are updated. (Some view profiles will automatically update views as they are created.)

4 Adding a sheet to a drawing.

A drawing can contain more than one sheet.

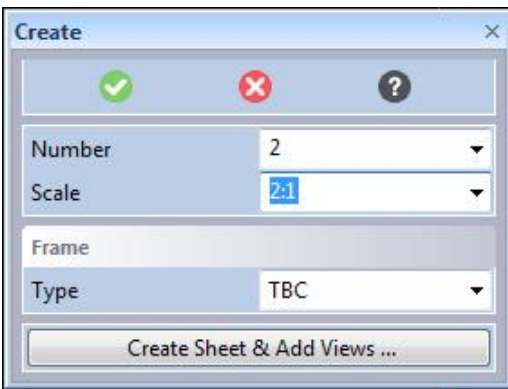
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To add an additional sheet to the drawing, click on the **New Sheet** command.

Figure 4-1 New Sheet command.



Select the correct sheet number, scale and sheet size.

Click the checkmark to create an empty sheet or click Create Sheet & Add Views to add views similar to starting a new drawing.

Figure 4-2 Select the sheet number, scale and size.

5 Adding views.

A drawing can have as many views as required. Views from different parts can be on one drawing.



Figure 5-1 Add View command.

Additional views can be created by starting the **New Std. View** command. This opens up the **Add View** dialog box, similar to the what was shown for creating a new drawing.

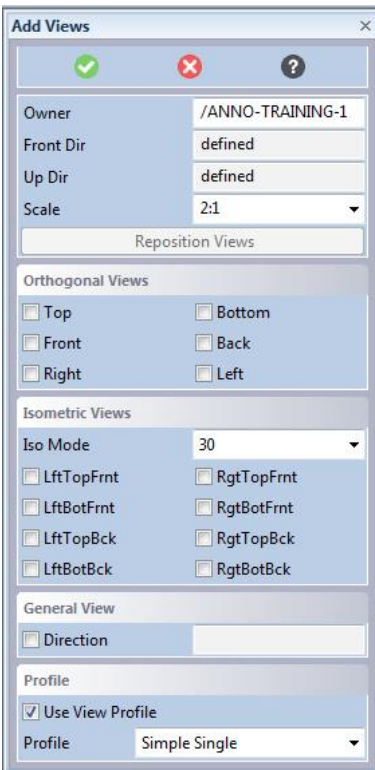


Figure 5-2 Add Views Dialog Box.

Add additional views by selecting any of the Orthogonal Views, Isometric views, or General View.

To add views from a different part, click Owner and select the Model, and set the Front Dir and Up Dir as when creating a new drawing.

6 Creating Dependent Views.

Dependent views are views created from an existing view. These include section views, detail views, partial views, cutaway views, broken views and dependent general views. The appearance of dependent views can be changed by modifying the view properties. See chapter 13 [VIEW PROPERTIES](#).

6.1 Section Views.

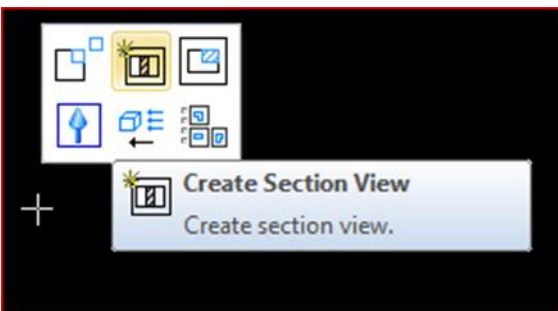


Figure 6-1 Start the Cross Section command.

The **Create Section view** command is in the Mini Toolbar and in the annotation tab under the **Dep View** menu.

Start the **Create Section View** command.

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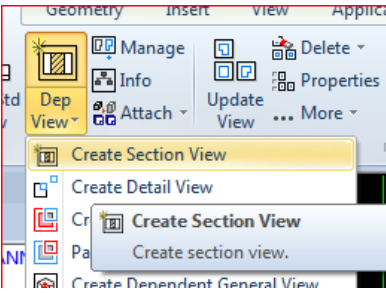


Figure 6-2 Dep View Menu.

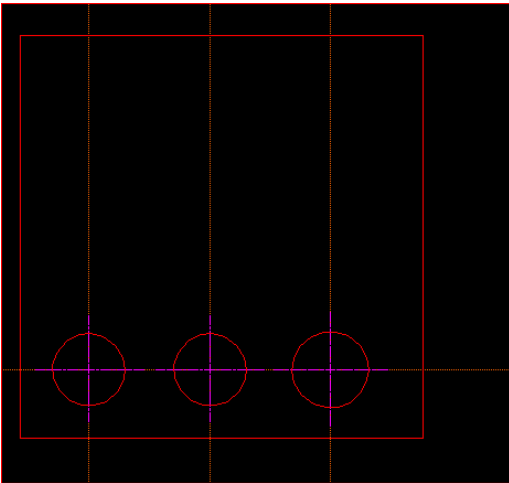


Figure 6-3 Select the parent view a sketch the section lines.

Select the Parent view to create the section from.

Once the parent view is selected, Annotation will show temporary Auxiliary lines. These lines represent symmetry and centerlines and can be used to aid in drawing the section line.

If needed for clarity, these can be turned off as shown below.



Figure 6-4 Auxiliary lines.

Uncheck the Auxiliary lines radio button to hide the Auxiliary lines.

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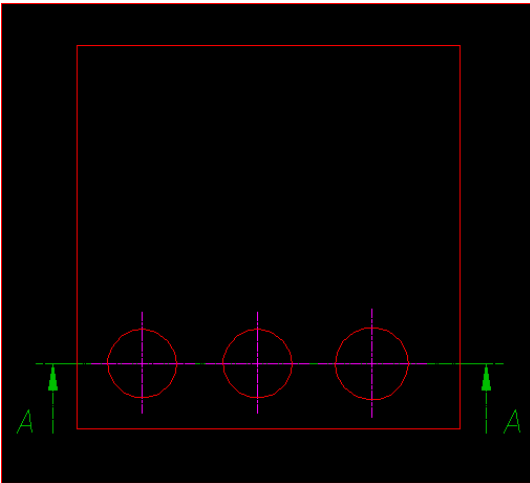


Figure 6-5 Right Click and Accept the Section Line.

To add the section lines, simply sketch the lines on the view. The Section Line can have multiple segments if needed.

After the lines are complete, right click and Accept the Section Line.

Annotation will draw the section arrows.

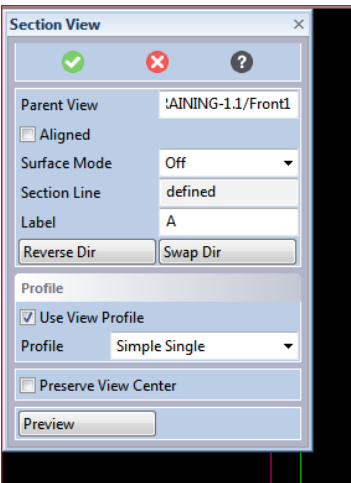


Figure 6-6 Reverse or Swap the Arrow Direction if needed.

If the arrows are pointing in the wrong direction, simply click Reverse Dir.

The Swap Dir button swaps the arrow directions in multi-segment sections when they arrows are not aligned.

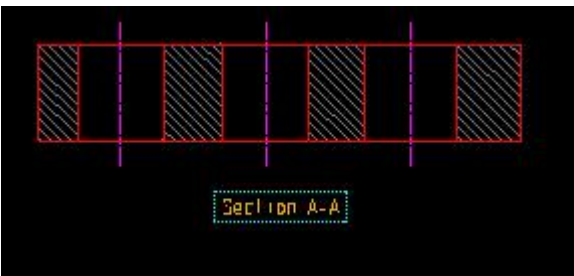


Figure 6-7 Surface Mode: Off

Surface Mode toggles between showing the whole part at the section and showing only the surface at the section.

The view shown to the left is with Surface Mode: Off

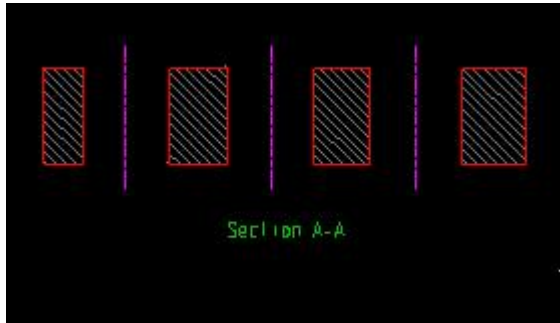


Figure 6-8 Surface Mode: On

The view on the left is the same as the above view with Surface Mode: On.

The Surface Mode On has two options.

- On, No Secured Parts.
- On, Incl. Secured PARTS (see Chapter 6.1.3 SECURED PARTS)

6.1.1 Direction of Section Arrows.

The direction the section line is drawn, influences the direction the section arrows are pointing. The arrow direction can be reversed or swapped afterwards as noted above.

Direction Lines are drawn	Section Arrow Direction
Bottom to Top	Arrows point to the left
Top to Bottom	Arrows point to the right
Left to Right	Arrows point up
Right to Left	Arrows point down

6.1.2 Aligned Sections.

Section views can be created from multiple segment section lines. The radio button **Aligned** determines how this view is generated.

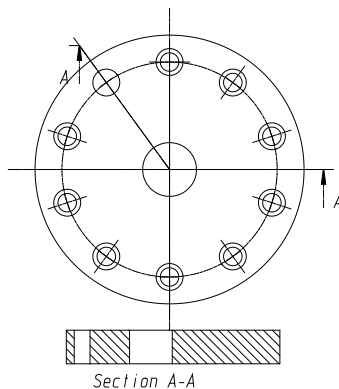
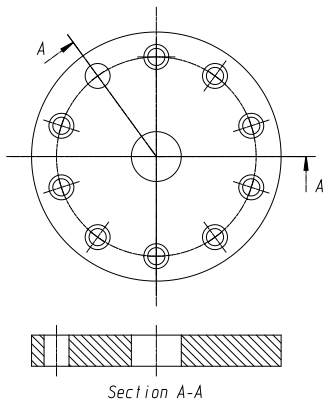


Figure 6-9 Section view with the Aligned button unchecked.

If the **Aligned** radio button is unchecked, the section arrows point perpendicular to the last segment drawn.





If the **Aligned** radio button is checked both arrows will be perpendicular to the segment that they are attached.

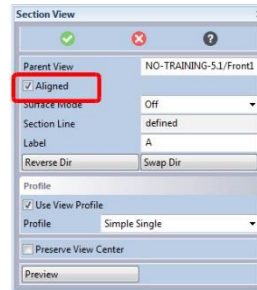


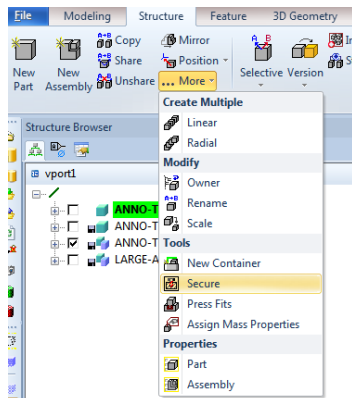
Figure 6-10 Section view with the aligned button checked.

6.1.3 Secured Parts.

A secured part will not be sectioned. A part can be universally defined as secured (Influenced in General). This prevents the part from being sectioned by anyone that would create a drawing with this part. A part can also be defined as secured for just selected views.

6.1.3.1 Securing a part in general.

A part can be universally defined as secured. This will keep the part from sectioning in any view created by that part. This can be accomplished directly on the 3D modeling without having to go through annotation.



Start the **Secure** command.

Figure 6-11 Start the secure part command in Modeling

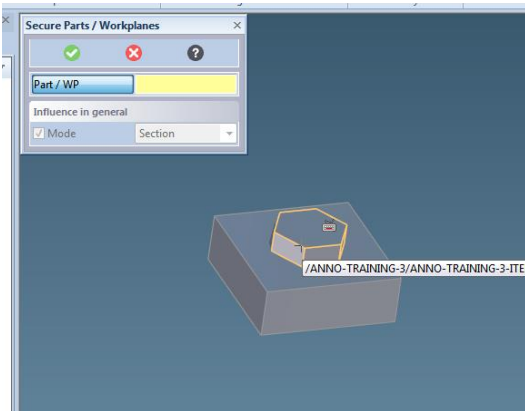


Figure 6-12 Select the part to be secured.

Select the part to permanently secure. (the part must be reserved by the user.)

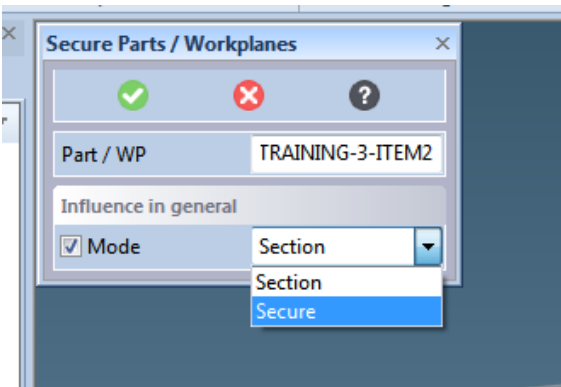


Figure 6-13 Change the mode to secure.

Change the **Mode** to **Secure**.

Click the Green Checkmark

6.1.3.1 Securing a part for selected views.

Securing a part for selected views will only keep that part from sectioning in the selected views. Any new views created on the same or a new drawing from that part will still section.

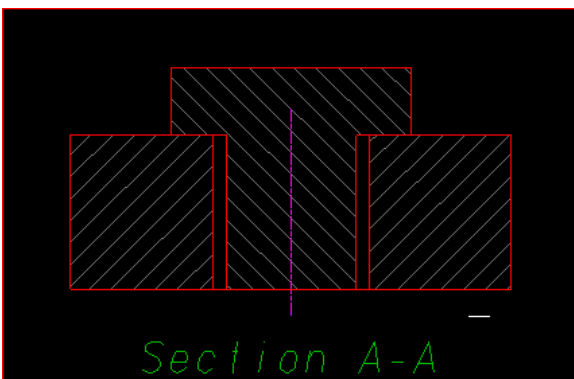


Figure 6-14 Section view with un-secured parts.

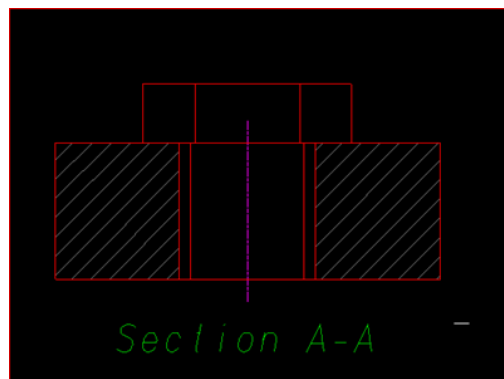


Figure 6-15 Section view with a secured part.

The view on the left has two parts and both are sectioned. The view on the right has the plug secured from sectioning.

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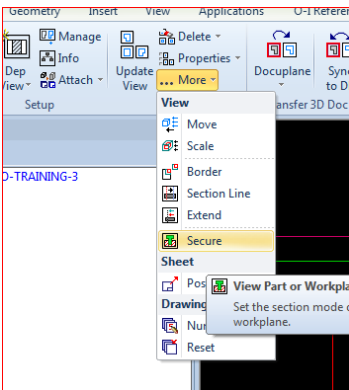


Figure 6-16 Secure Part command.

Start the **Secure** command in annotation by selecting the **...More** submenu from the **Setup** menu.

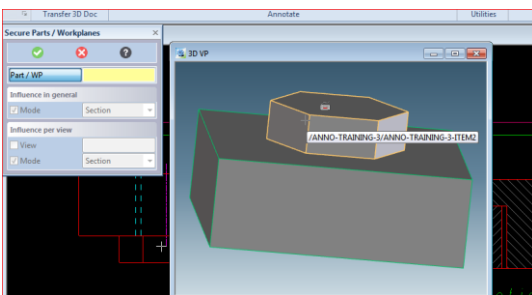


Figure 6-17 Select the Part to be secured.

An Auxilliary 3D viewport opens.

Select the part to secure.



Figure 6-18 Secure in all views created with this part.

To keep the part from being sectioned in any drawing created with the part, set the **Mode** in the **Influence in General** to **Secure**.

This is typically done with Fasteners.

This has the same affect as 6.1.3.1 Securing a part in general.

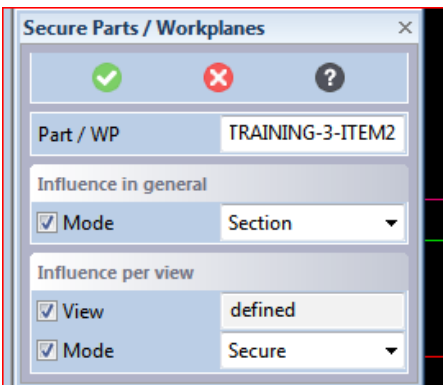


Figure 6-19 Secure in only the view selected.

To secure a part only in selected views.

Keep the **Influence in General** set to **Section**.

In the **Influence per view** area, Select the Views where the part is not to be sectioned.

Set the **Mode** in the **Influence per view** to **Secure**.

6.1.3.2 Sectioning a secured part.

A part that is **Secured** using **Influence in General** will not section in a view. However, this can be easily overridden by the user.

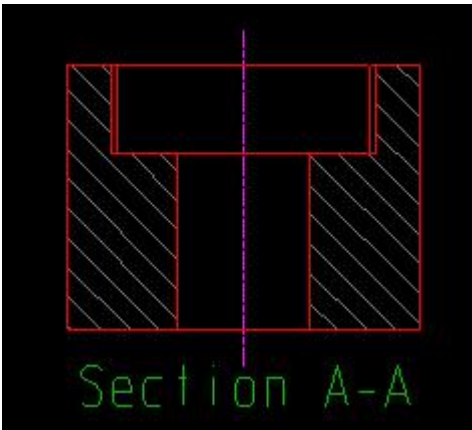


Figure 6-20 View with a Secured part.

The plug needs to be sectioned, but it is **Influenced in General** to be secured.

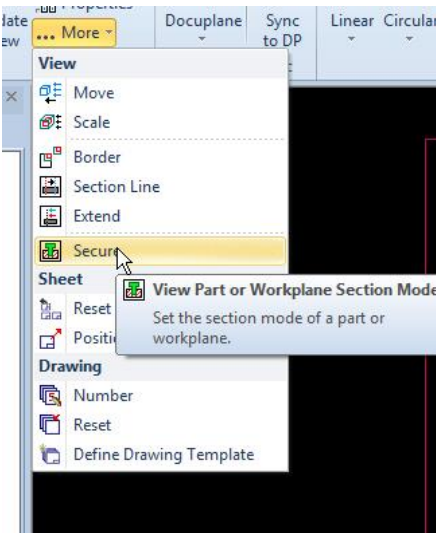


Figure 6-21 Start the Secure command.

Start the **Secure** command in Annotation.

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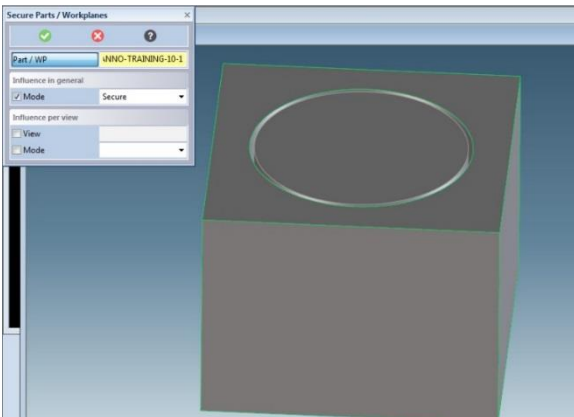


Figure 6-22 Select the Secured part to be sectioned.

An auxiliary 3D viewport will open.

Select the secured part to be Sectioned.

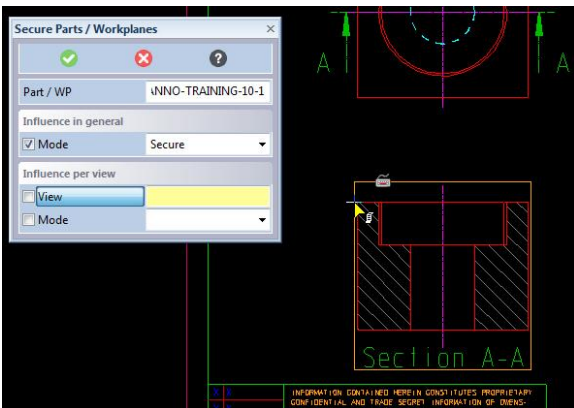


Figure 6-23 Select the view.

Select **View** under **Influence per View** and select the view(s) in which the secured part is to be sectioned.

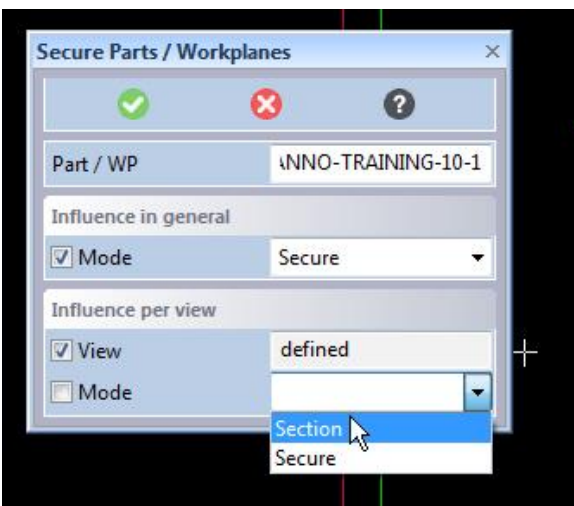


Figure 6-24 Change the Influence per view mode to Section.

Set the **Mode** under **Influence per view** to **Section**.

Do Not Change the Influence in general mode.

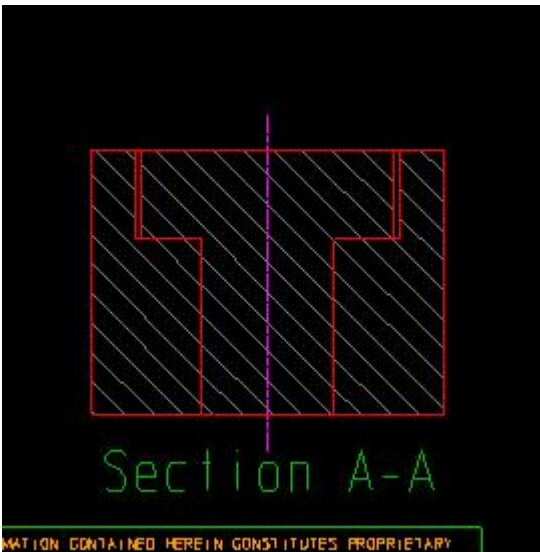


Figure 6-25 Completed view.

Update the view.

The secured part is now section in the selected view.

6.2 Detail Views.

The detail view command is located on the Mini Toolbar and in the Dep View Menu.

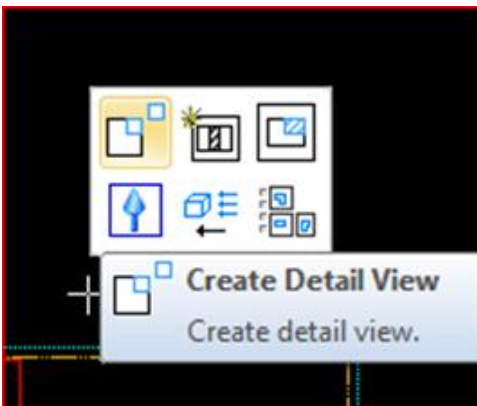


Figure 6-26 Create Detail View command.

Start the **Detail View** command from the **Dep View** menu, or from the Mini Toolbar.

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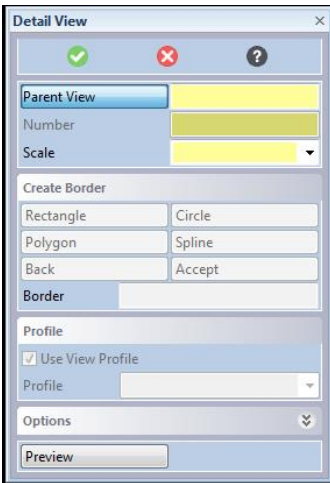


Figure 6-27 Detail View Dialog Box

Click on the parent view from which the detail view is to be made.

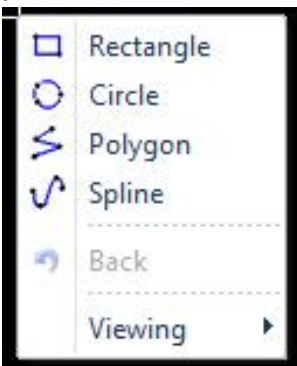


Figure 6-28 Pick the border type from the command Dialog Box or right click menu.

Select the type of border.

Rectangles, Circles and Polygon type borders are automatically accepted when the border is closed.

To complete the spline type border, click **Accept** in the Dialog Box, or right click and Accept.

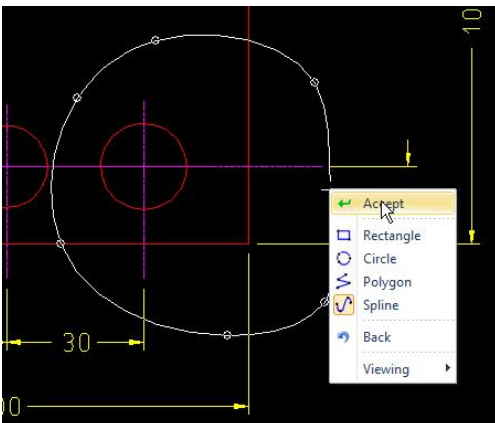


Figure 6-29 Draw the border, for splines, right click and accept when complete.

This is a spline type border. After completing the border **Right Click** and **Accept**, or click **Accept** in the Dialog Box.

The default view scale is two times the parent view scale. If the parent is 2:1 the detail will be 4:1. This can be overridden by the user.

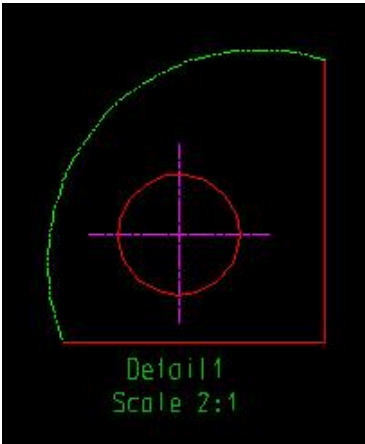


Figure 6-30 Completed detail view.

Click the Green Checkmark to complete the command and place the detail view.

6.3 Partial Views.

A partial view is convenient when only a small section of a view is required. When a partial view is created, all dimensions and annotations on the parent view will be lost.

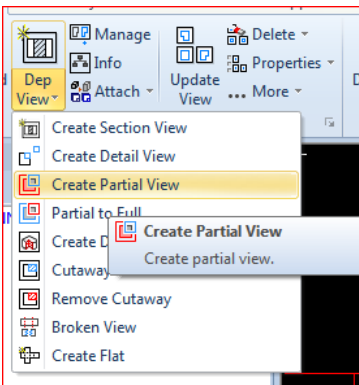


Figure 6-31 Start the Create Partial View command.

The **Create Partial View** command is started from the **Dep View** menu. This can also be added to the Mini Toolbar.

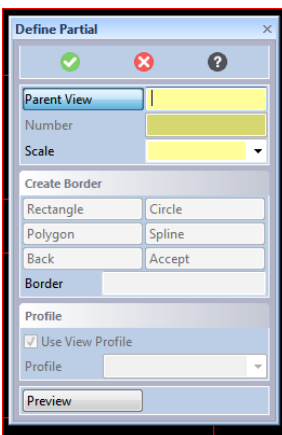


Figure 6-32 Select the Parent view.

Select the Parent View to be converted into a partial view.

Note! Please note that all dimensions attached to the Parent View will be lost. It is best to create the partial view early in the drawing process.

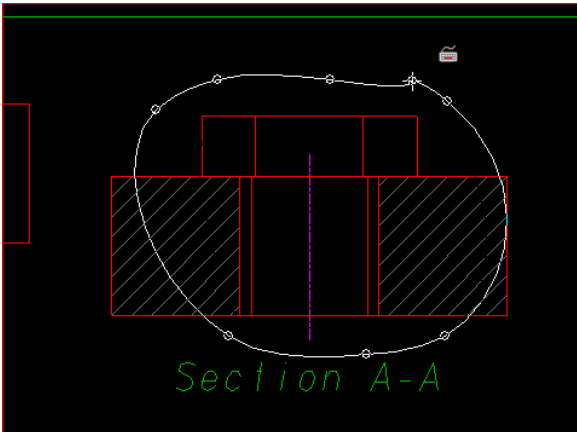


Figure 6-33 Spline Border.

Draw the border (done in the same manner as the **Create Detail View** border)

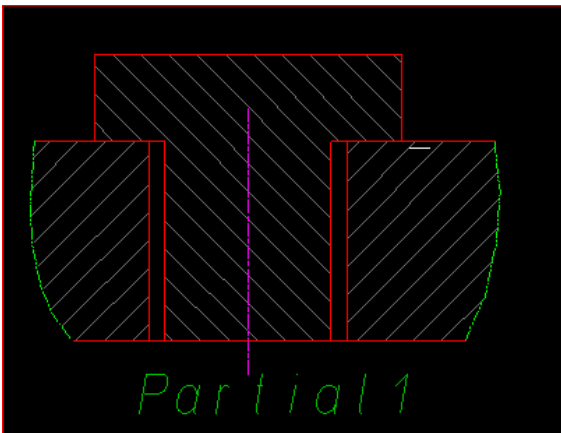


Figure 6-34 Partial View

Once the border is complete, click the Green Checkmark to finish the command.

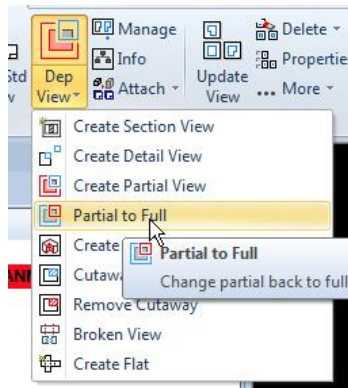
In the example above, notice that the secured part did not carry through to the partial view. This is because the part was only secured to view Section A-A and not the Partial 1 view. If the part was secured in general, it would not be sectioned in any view.

6.4 Partial to Full.

The partial view can be converted back into a full view with the Partial to Full command in the Dep View menu. All dimensions and annotations on the partial view will be lost.

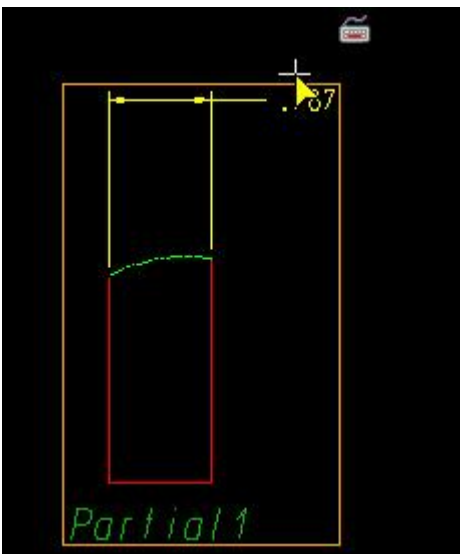
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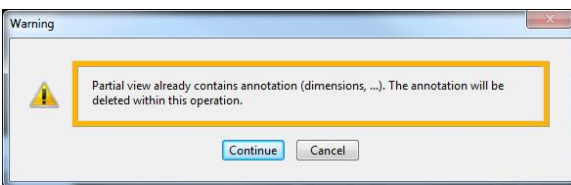
Start the **Partial to Full** command from the **Dep View** menu.

Figure 6-35 Start the command.



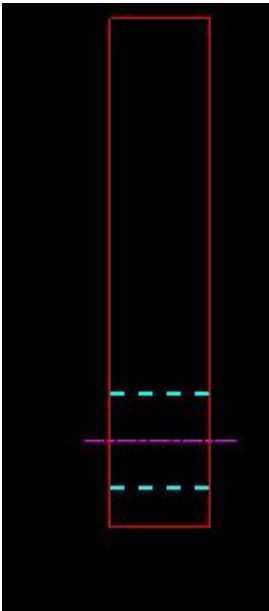
Select the partial view to convert back into a full view.

Figure 6-36 Select the view.



All dimensions on the view will be lost. Click **Continue** to proceed.

Figure 6-37 Click continue to change the view to full.



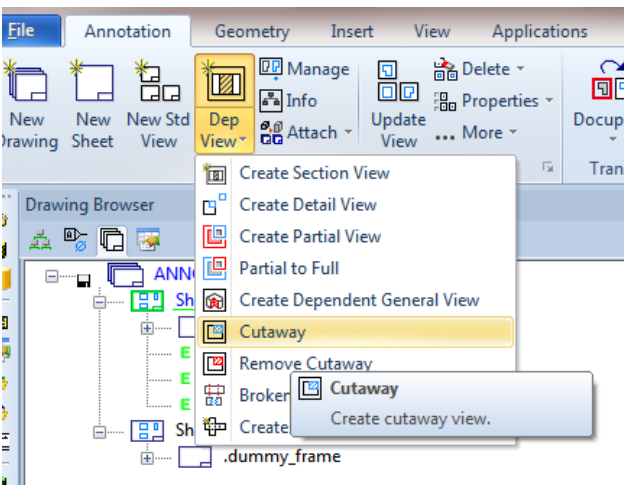
Click the Green Checkmark.

Update the view if required.

Figure 6-38 Click the Green Checkmark to complete.

6.5 Cutaway Views.

Cutaway views show internal features of a part or an assembly that would normally be hidden.

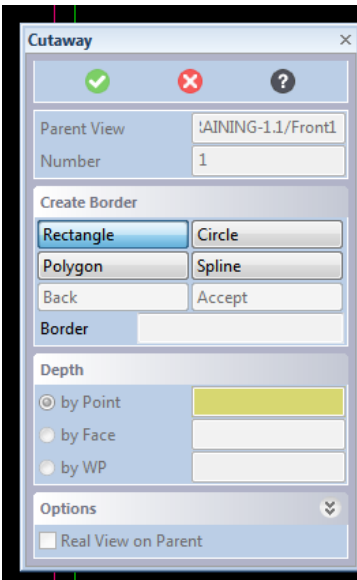


Start the **Cutaway** command from the **Dep View** menu.

Figure 6-39 Start the command.

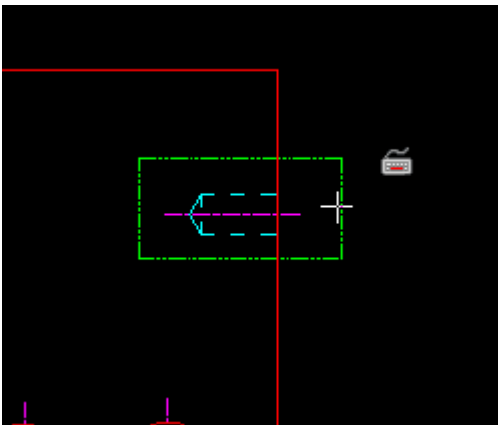
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Select the Parent view.

Figure 6-40 Select the Parent View and the Border type .



Draw the border around the area to be Cutaway.

The border command works the same as the detail view command.

Figure 6-41 Draw the border.

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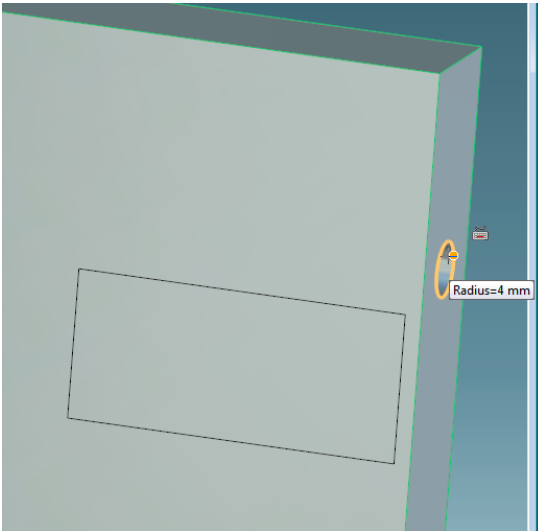


Figure 6-42 Select the Cutaway to point.

After accepting the border, a 3D auxiliary viewport opens.

Select a point, face or Workplane for the depth of the Cut Away.

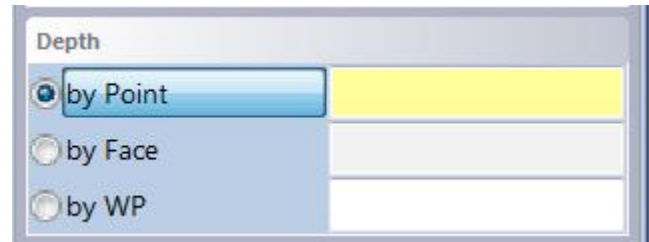


Figure 6-43 Select the Cut Away depth, by point, face or workplane.

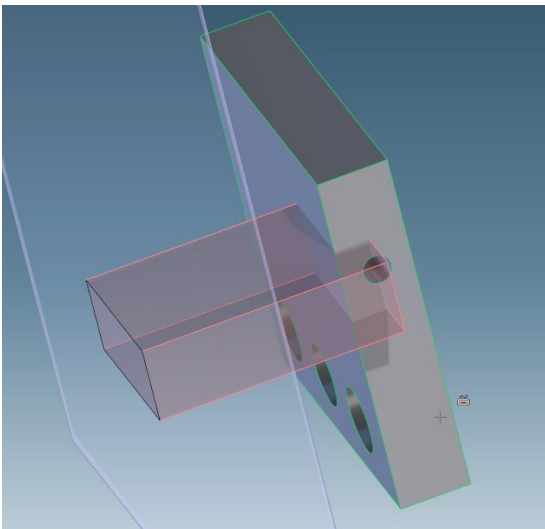
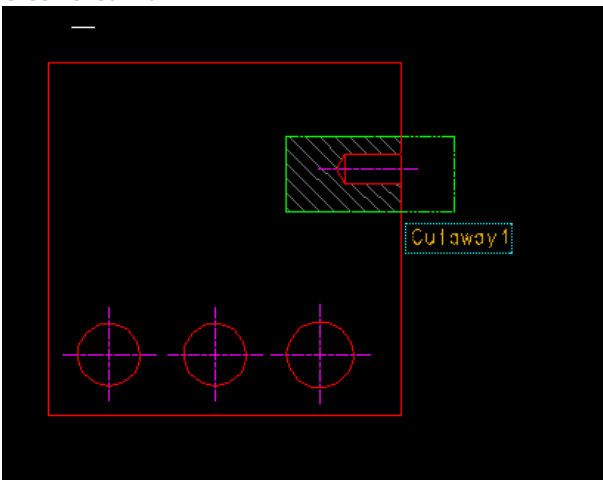


Figure 6-44 Confirm the Cutaway depth and click the Green Checkmark.

Review the Cutaway volume by rotating the part.

Click the Green Checkmark to complete the command.

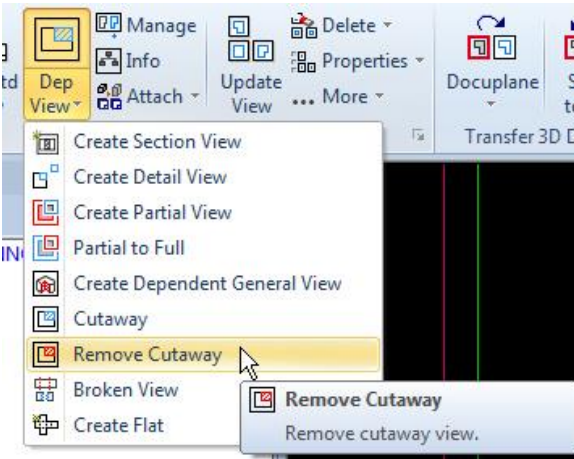


The final Cutaway.

Figure 6-45 The completed view.

6.6 Remove Cutaway.

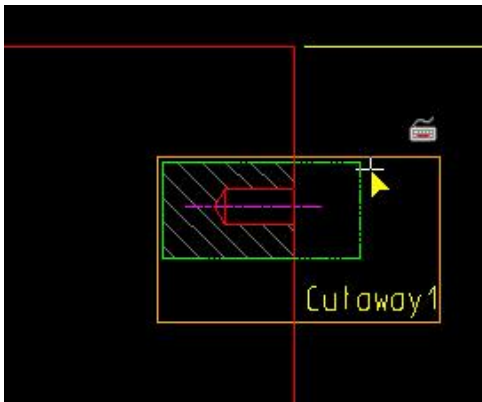
Cutaway views can be removed from a view by selecting the **Remove Cutaway** command and selecting the cutaway view on the drawing. Any dimensions going to the Cut Away geometry will disconnect and turn red.



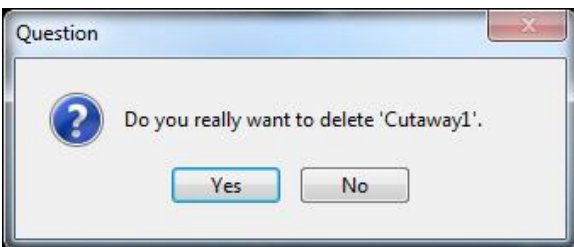
Start the **Remove Cutaway** command from the **Dep View** menu.

Note! This command differs from many of the other commands because there is no dialog box.

Figure 6-46 Start the command. This command does not have a Dialog Box.



Select the Cutaway to be removed.



Confirm that the Cutaway is to be removed.

Figure 6-48 Confirm the selection.

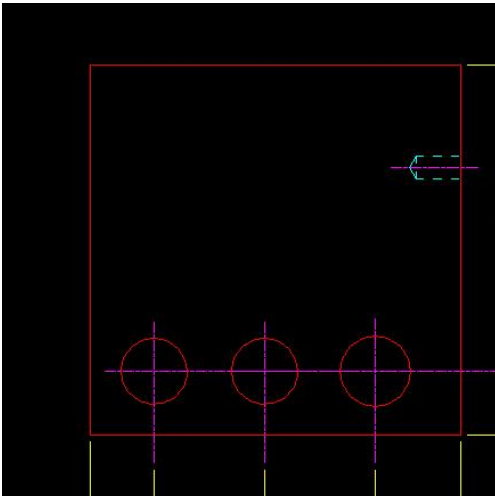


Figure 6-49 The completed command.

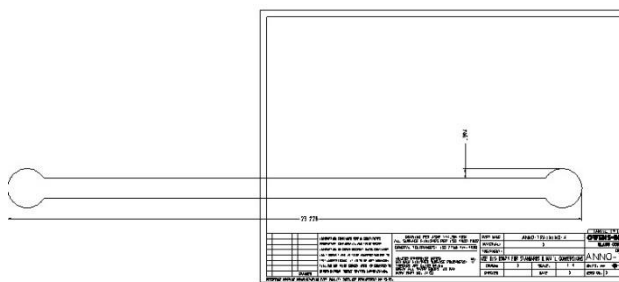
Update the view if required.

The Cutaway is removed from the view.

Any dimensions going to geometry within the Cut Away will turn red.

6.7 Broken Views.

Broken views allow a very long part to fit on a sheet by splitting a view and removing one or more portions from the view. Care must be taken not to leave important features out.



In this example the front view of the part is too large to fit on the sheet. The view can be broken to allow it to fit.

Figure 6-50 The front view does not fit on the sheet.

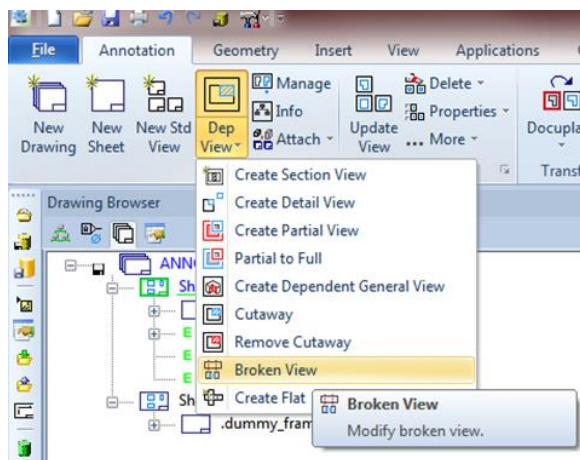


Figure 6-51 Start the Broken View command.

Start the **Broken View** command from the **Dep View** menu.

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Figure 6-52 Broken View Dialog Box.

Select the View to be broken

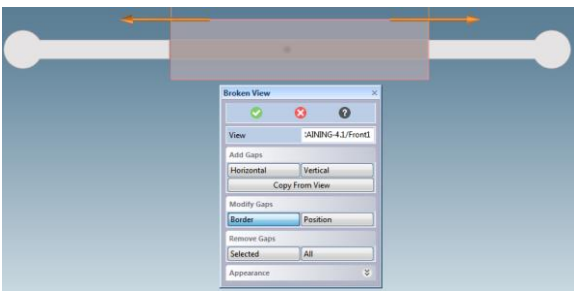


Figure 6-53 Place the gaps on the view. A Vertical gap is shown.

Select the gap to be removed for the break by clicking on **Horizontal** or **Vertical** . Multiple gaps can be created.

In this example, the **Vertical** gap was chosen.

Drag the arrows to change the size of the break.

Hint: Creating a workplane in modeling with lines evenly spaced, can be used to create very precise breaks (gaps).

The **Border** is the shape of the spline use to represent the cutaway in the view. The default border works well for most situations.

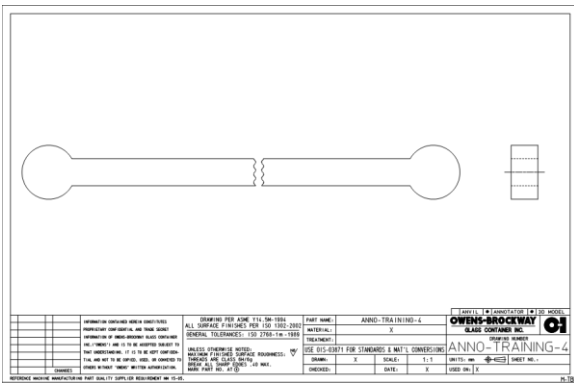


Figure 6-54 The final broken view.

Select the Green Checkmark and update the view if required.

The gaps can be edited by restarting this command.

6.8 Dependent General Views.

Dependent General Views allows the creation of auxiliary views from an existing view. The Dependent General view will keep the attributes of the parent view.

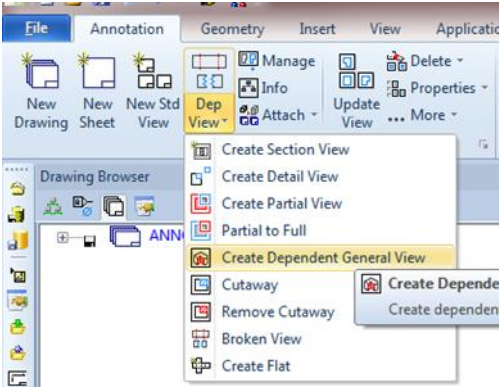


Figure 6-55 Start the command.

Start the **Create Dependent General View** command from the **Dep View** menu.

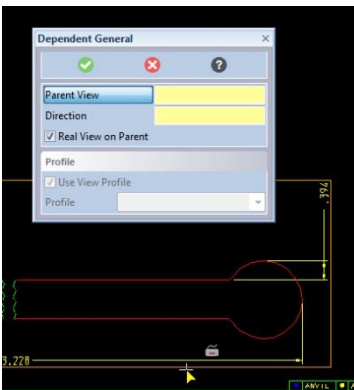


Figure 6-56 Select the Parent View.

Select the view from which to create the dependent view.

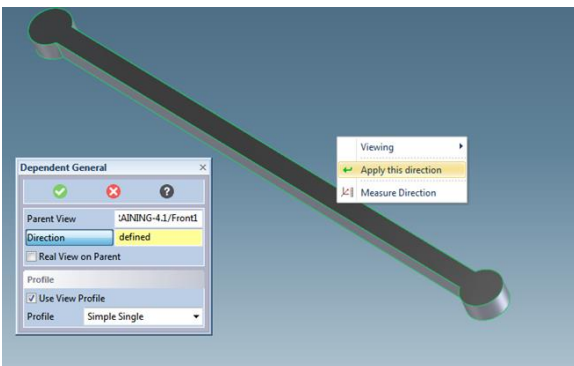


Figure 6-57 Rotate the part into the desired view orientation.

An auxiliary 3D viewport will open.

Move the part into the correct orientation. This can be done by viewing a face, rotating the part manually, by selecting a preset isometric view, etc.

Right Click and **Apply** this direction.

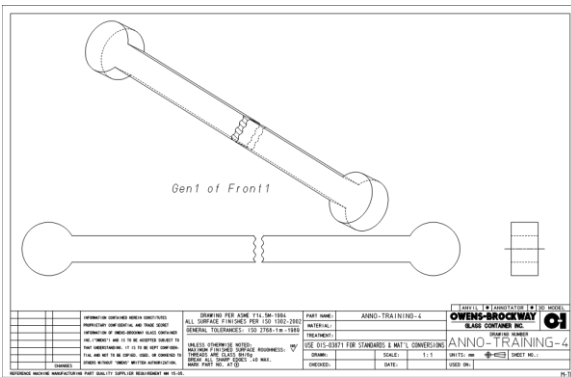


Figure 6-58 Completed view.

Position the view and click the Green Checkmark.

Update the view if required.

Note that the Dependent General view keeps the attributes of the parent view including the break.

7 Updating Views.

The color of the text in the Drawing Browser indicates the state of the views in comparison to the model.

Dark Blue: Updated

Cyan: Needs Updated

Red: The 3D model is not loaded, or the drawing is not linked to a loaded viewset.

Black: No Model is associated to the drawing, such as a Target Sheet.

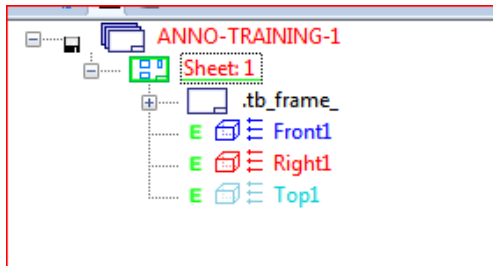



Figure 7-1 Color Update Status

When views required an update (cyan text) there are several options there are several options.

All of the views can be updated at once by clicking on the **Update Drawing** icon.  from the **O-I Annotation Utilities** toolbar, or right clicking on the **Drawing Title** in the **Drawing browser**, and selecting **Update all Views**.

Sheets can be updated by right clicking the **Sheet** in the **Drawing Browser** and selecting **Update all Views**.

Individual views can be updated by right clicking the **View Name** in the **Drawing Browser** and selecting **Update View**. Or the view itself can be picked and click on the **Update View** from the **Mini Toolbar**.

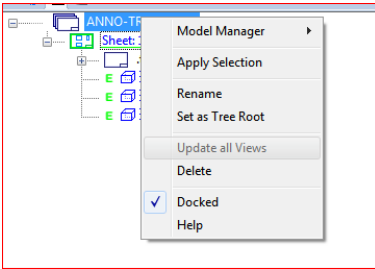


Figure 7-2 Update all Views on the drawing

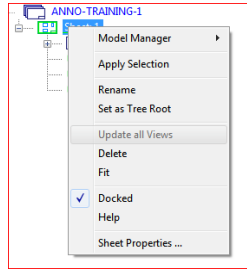


Figure 7-3 Update all Views on a selected sheet

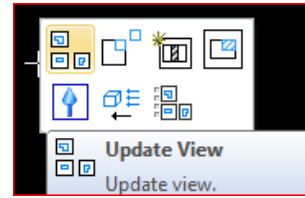


Figure 7-4 Update View, Mini Toolbar

8 Moving Views.

Views can be moved by selecting the view and dragging. To line up with other views, pick the view to be moved and hover over those views to align to. Green guide lines will pop up as a guide to indicate view centers. Move the view until the magenta center dot aligns to the green guide lines. See Also 30.1 Fixing the View Reference Points.

For some auxiliary views, it is necessary to create construction lines and move the view by 2 points.

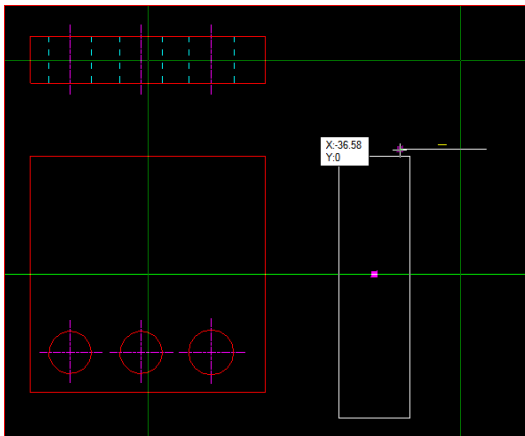


Figure 8-1 Hovering over other views displays alignment lines.

8.1 Moving views between sheets.

A view can be moved from one sheet to another on multiple sheet drawings.

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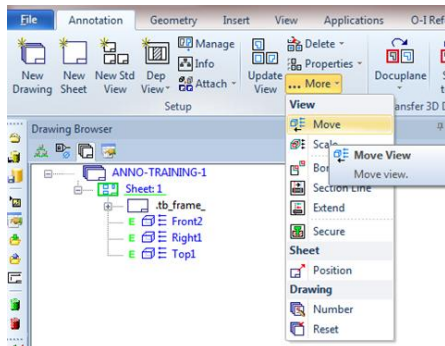


Figure 8-2 Start the Move command.

Start the **Move View** command from the Ribbon Menu, or by clicking on the view and selecting **Move View** from the **Mini Toolbar**.

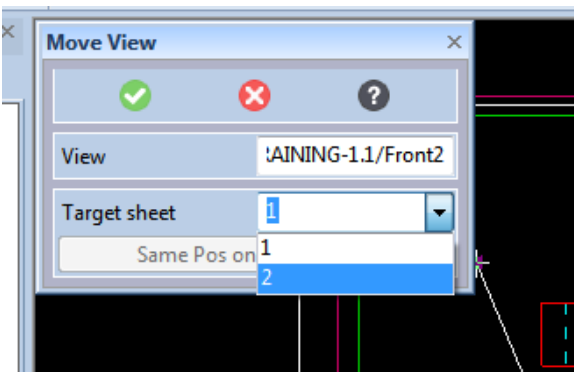


Figure 8-3 Select the Target sheet for the view.

Select the view to be moved.

From the **Target sheet** drop down menu, select the target sheet for the view.

9 Viewsets.

When a drawing is created Creo Elements/Direct creates a viewset for the parent part or assembly. The viewset is attached to the part or assembly as a child. The viewset is similar to a set of workplanes. However, unlike workplanes, viewsets cannot be edited or moved. Saving the 3D model with viewset is not the same as saving the drawing. Both the drawing and the model must be saved independently. If saving the drawing to Model Manager, the 3D model will be saved automatically at the same time. Always double check the Model Manager save window.

This is important. Saving the 3D model does not save the drawing. The best practice is to save the drawing first. Make sure that the Model Manager Save window shows both the model and the drawing as being saved.

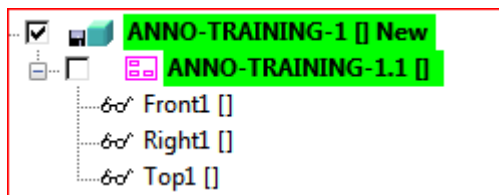


Figure 9-1 The Viewset is a child of the part.

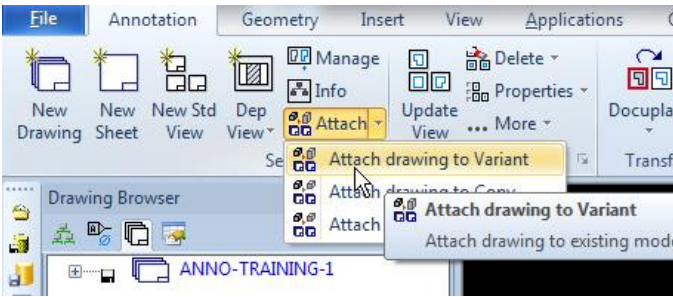


Figure 10-3 Start the attached to Variant command.

Start the **Attach to Variant** command.

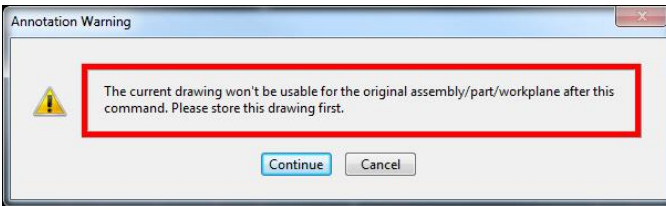


Figure 10-4 If the drawing is saved, continue.

If the drawing is saved, click **Continue**, otherwise **Cancel**, save and start again.

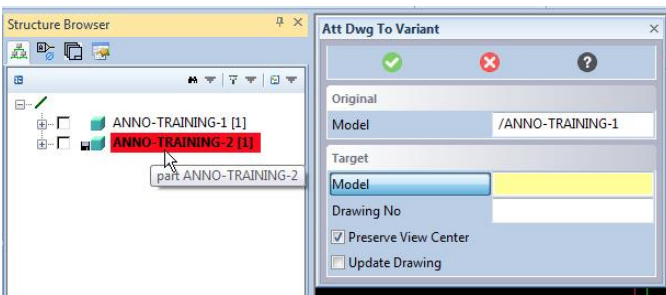


Figure 10-5 Select the part to attach the drawing.

The Original Model should be selected by default, select the **Original Model** from the **Structure Browser**.

Select the **Target Model** from the **Structure Browser**.

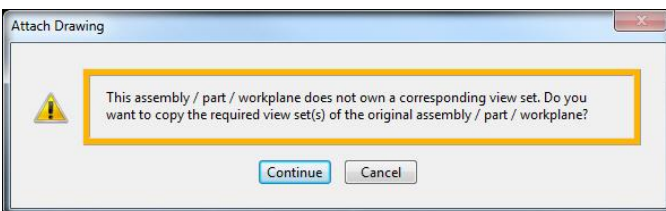


Figure 10-6 Continue to copy the existing viewset.

If the new part does not have its own view set, click **Continue** to copy the viewset from the old model to the new model.

If the new model already has a viewset, then this window will not appear.

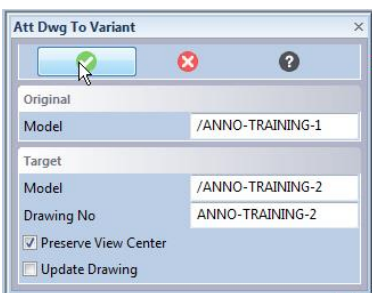


Figure 10-7 Finish the command.

Select any options desired, and click the green checkmark to create the new drawing.

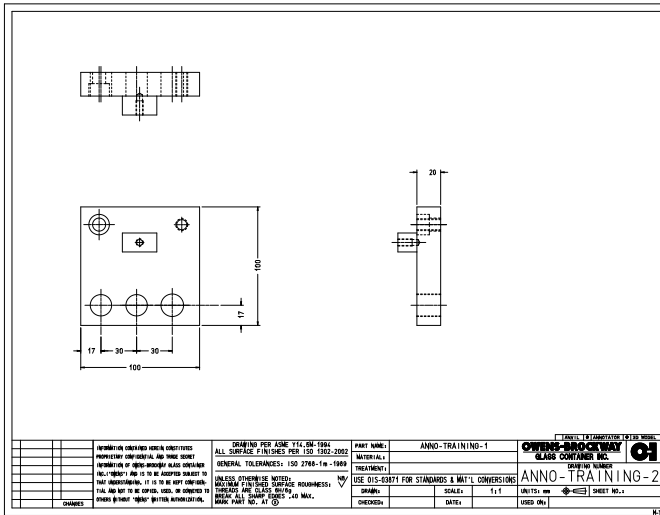


Figure 10-8 The new drawing.

Update the drawing, and edit as needed.

If the views move drastically and it is difficult to align them, see Appendix 30.1 [FIXING THE VIEW REFERENCE POINTS.](#)

11 Attach a drawing to a copy.

This command should not be used. Instead, use the Copy to Variant.

12 Attach a drawing to Mirror.

A drawing can be attached to a mirror of the part. All of the dimensions and special views created in the original drawing will be transferred to the mirrored drawing. **A few important notes here.** First, the original part and drawing must be created first. Then the 3D model of the part can be mirrored. After that, the drawing can be attached to the mirror.

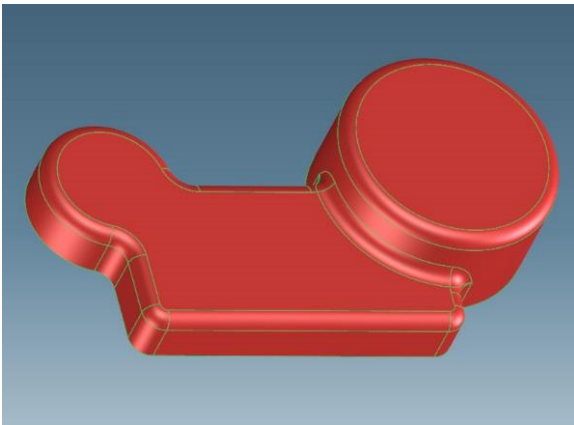


Figure 12-1 Original Part.

Start with the original part.

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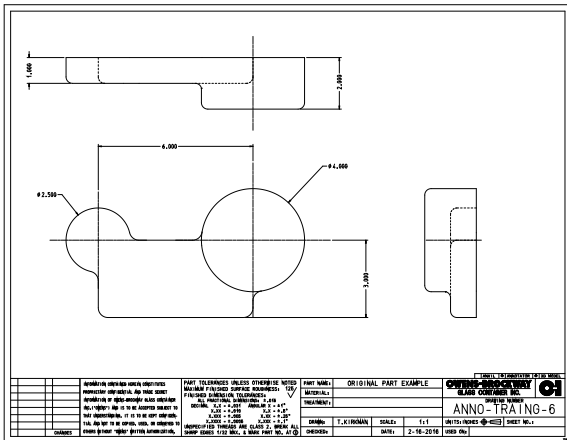


Figure 12-2 Original drawing for the Original Part.

Create the drawing for the original part.

Add any dimensions, dependent views and sections required.

Save the Drawing!

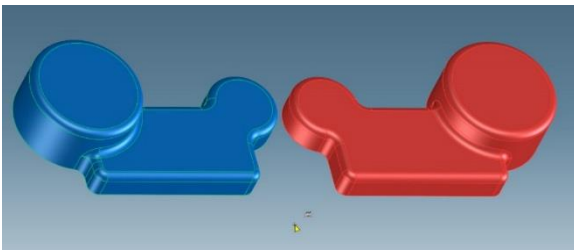


Figure 12-3 Create a mirror of the original part.

Create a mirror of the original part.

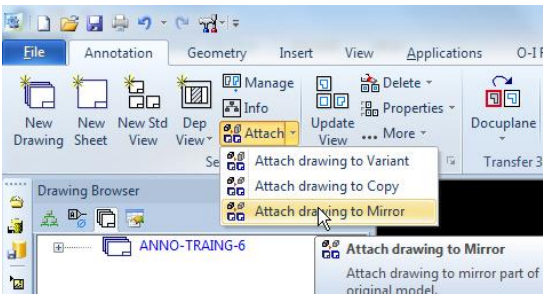


Figure 12-4 Start the command.

Start the **Attach drawing to Mirror** command.

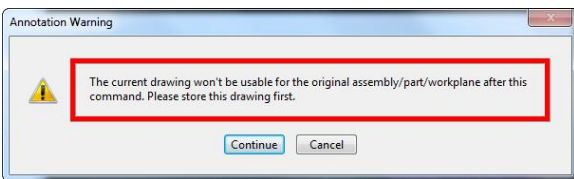


Figure 12-5 Make sure the drawing was saved!

The same warning comes up that was seen in the copy to variant command.

Click **Continue** to create the mirrored drawing.
Click cancel to stop.

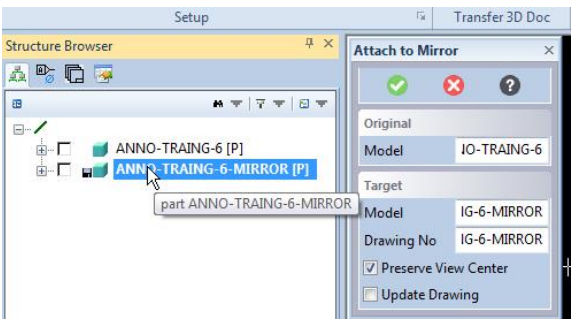


Figure 12-6 Select the mirrored model for the Target.

The Original Model should be selected by default, if not select the Original Model from the structure browser.

Select the Target Model, this is the mirror part that was just created.

Click the Green Checkmark to complete.

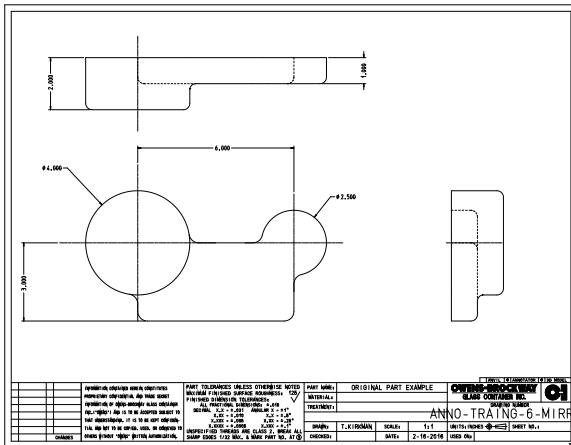


Figure 12-7 The completed mirrored drawing with all of the dimensions.

Update the drawing.

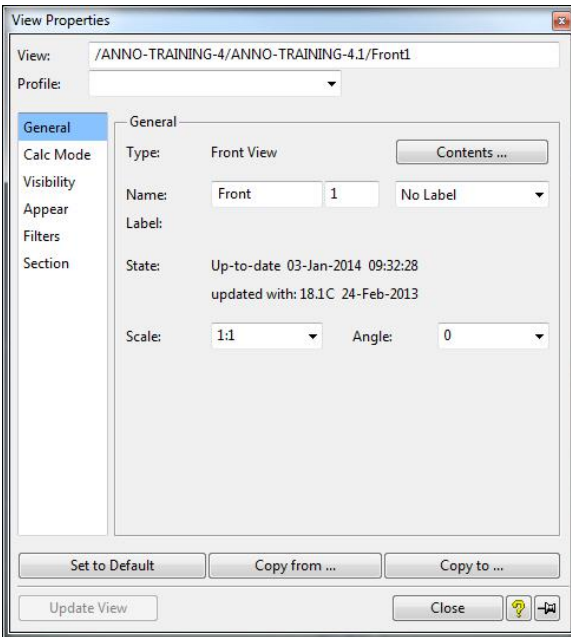
If the views move drastically and it is difficult to align them, see Appendix 30.1 [FIXING THE VIEW REFERENCE POINTS](#).

13 View Properties.

View properties define the view scale, angle, label information, the update mode, visibility options, line appearance, if all parts are displayed in a view, if full circles are displayed in a view, how sections are transferred and shown, if a secured part will be honored, and shading techniques.

The View Profiles automatically will set view properties for a view based on how many parts are in the view.

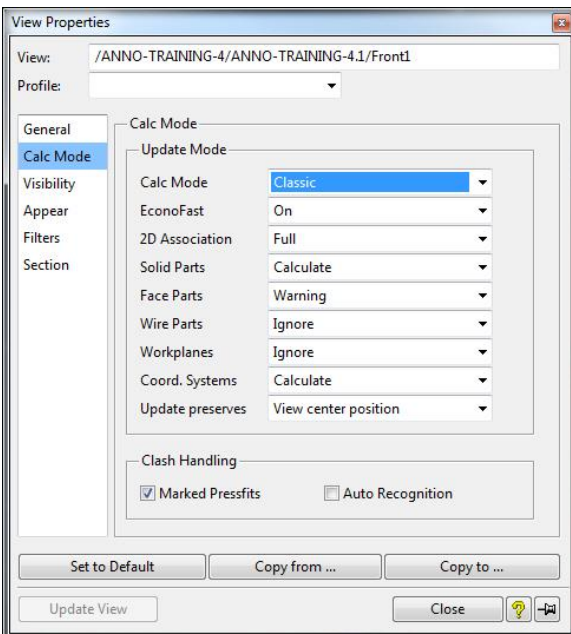
To modify a view's properties, click on the view and select view properties from the Mini Toolbar



This is the **View Properties** Dialog box.

The **General** page has the view title, scale and view angle.

Figure 13-1 General Page.



The **Calc Mode** page defines how a view updates.

See Chapter 14 Calc Modes for more information.

Clash handling is important. This will check if parts clash and will use the defined clash method for the part in the drawing. Leave this at its default setting. See 3D best practices for an explanation of Press Fits.

If any of the Shaded options are selected for the Calc Mode, an additional “Shaded” page will be added.

Figure 13-2 Calc Mode Page.

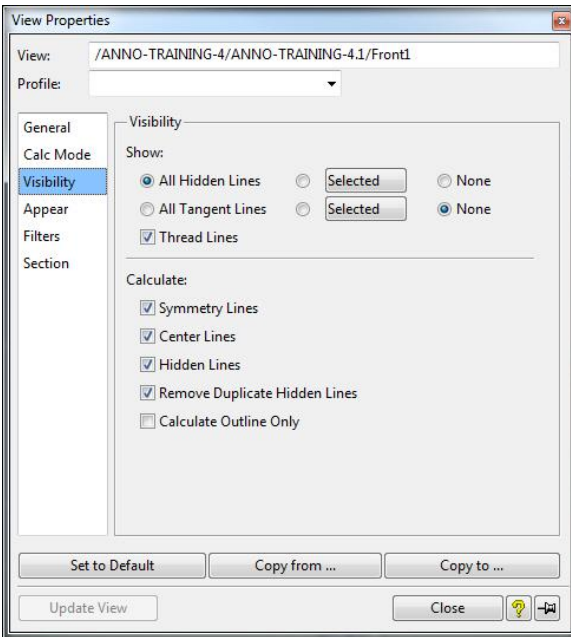


Figure 13-3 Visibility Page.

This is the **Visibility** page.

This is basically self-explanatory.

The Selected buttons for hidden and tangent lines allows the user to select which parts will have hidden lines and tangent lines displayed in an assembly. This can make a view much easier to understand. See Chapter 16 Select which parts have hidden lines and tangent lines.

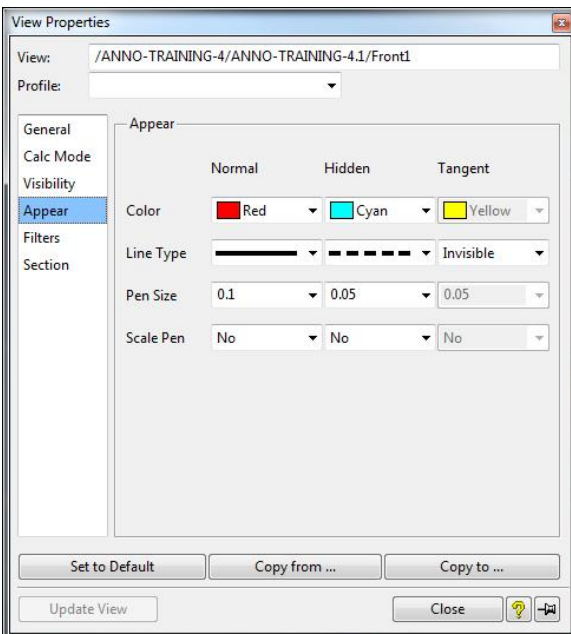


Figure 13-4 Appear Page.

This is the **Appear** page.

For all basic views leave these settings as is.

For Shaded views, change the Normal color to Part Color.

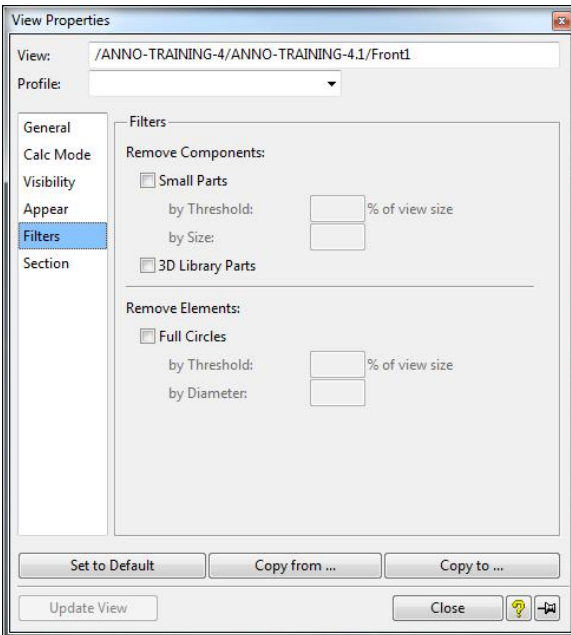


Figure 13-5 Filters Page.

This is the **Filters** page

Small parts can be removed automatically from a view. This is good for very large assemblies where a small part will not even be seen.

Leave the full circles as it is, otherwise all circles will be drawn as an arc. This confuses the views.

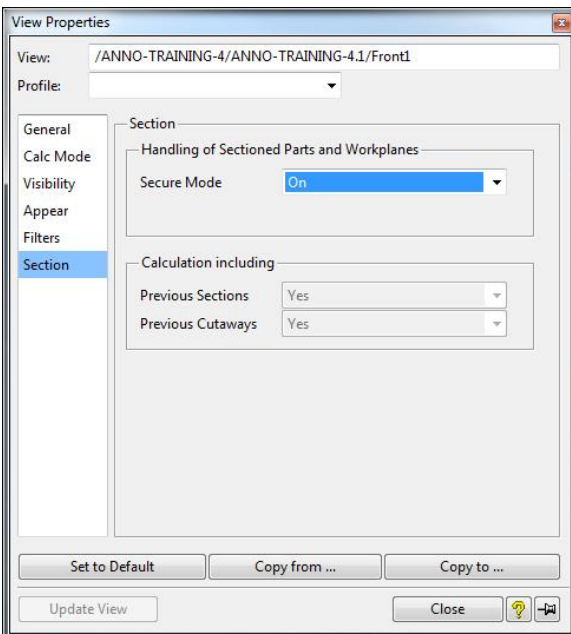


Figure 13-6 Section Page.

This is the **Section** page.

Handling of Sectioned Parts and Workplanes:

On – all secured parts will be displayed as secured, any parts in front of the section view will not be displayed.

On Include all parts in front of the section plane. – This will show all secured parts in the view even if they are in front of the sectioned view.

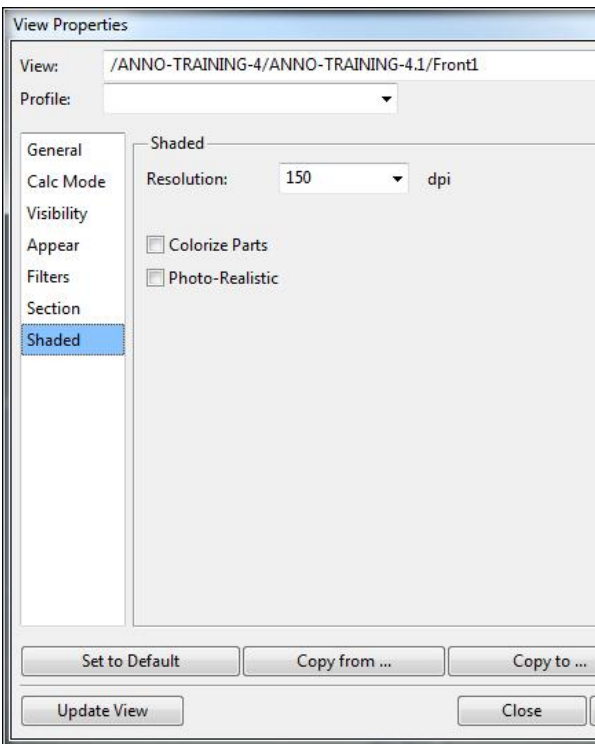
Off- This will section all secured parts.

Calculations including :

Previous Sections: Yes will add the previous section to the new section view.

No, will not include any previous sections

Previous Cutaways: Yes, will add any existing cutaways to the section view. No will ignore the existing Cutaways for the section view.



This is the **Shaded** page. This page will only be available if any of the Shaded options are selected for the Calc mode.

The options for shading are self-explanatory.

Note Adding shading does add to the annotation file size.

Figure 13-7 Shaded Page.

14 Calc Modes.

The modes are automatically selected based on the view profile being used. However, it is still valuable to know what these modes do. (View profiles are covered in 15 View Profiles.)

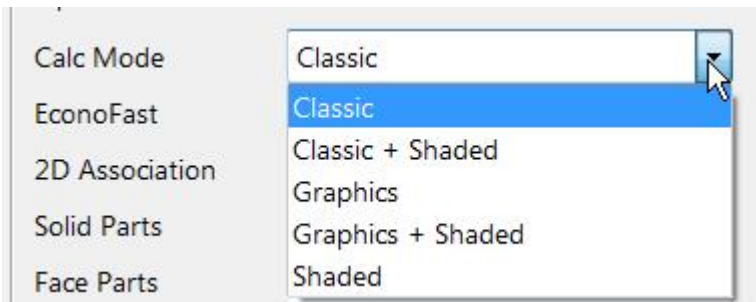


Figure 14-1 Available calc modes.

Creo Elements/Direct used a number of different methods for updating views. The primary types are Classic and Graphics. These both can use the Econofast update method (this is explained below).

Classic mode calculates the geometry of the view based on the model geometry. This is slow but very accurate. This works well for small assemblies and individual parts.

Graphics mode uses the graphics card to generate the views. This is less accurate and works very well for large assemblies. Dependent views can be set to a more accurate mode if desired.

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When **Econofast** is turned on, the views are quickly calculated using the graphics card, this is only to determine what parts are hidden. The views are then created using the selected mode above.

In addition to the above modes, shading can be added which creates a fully shade “3D” image for a view. It is recommended to use either Classic + Shaded or Graphics + Shaded as the include the part geometry in the view. Shaded does not include part geometry. Balloons, text and dimensions can only be attached to geometry. Change the part geometry to Part Color to “hide” the geometry. See Figure 13-4.

15 View Profiles.

View profiles are automatically selected based on the number of parts in the view that is being created. View profiles are defined in the company configuration and are not user customizable.

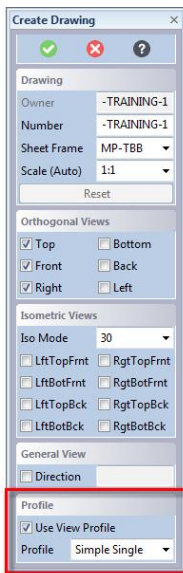


Figure 15-1 Make sure the **Use View Profiles** is checked.

Refer to Chapter 3 Create a new drawing. Be sure that the **Use View Profile** radio button is checked. Once this is checked it will stay on by default for all new drawings unless it is unchecked by the user.

This is an important step. It determines what method will be used to update the views in the new drawings. It will optimize the Calc Mode according to how many parts are in the view.

This will save time when updating large assemblies.

15.1 The view profile sets the following.

Update mode

Turns on or off Econofast

Sets 2D associativity

Sets whether or not views update immediately or manually

Set how circles are displayed (full or Limited) (full by default)

Sets if duplicate hidden lines are removed (removed by default)

Turns on or off thread creation

Sets centerline creation

Sets symmetry line creation

Sets hidden lines on or off

Sets tangent lines on or off

Small drawings and assemblies use the slowest update modes for the highest accuracies. Hidden lines, centerlines and symmetry lines are displayed. As the number of parts increase in the assembly, the faster and less accurate the calc mode selected. These views will not have hidden lines, centerlines or symmetry lines shown.

Keep in mind, that disabling the “Use View Profile” will affect the update performance. See chapter [29 IMPROVING UPDATE PERFORMANCE](#). The user is able to override the default selection and select a different profile.

16 Select which parts have hidden lines and tangent lines.

Large assembly drawings can be very confusing if all of the hidden lines of all the parts are shown. Annotation allows the user to select which parts will have hidden lines displayed in a view on an assembly drawing. This make the views much more clear.

Tangent lines can be applied to individual parts of the assembly view as well.

The instructions below relate to showing hidden lines on specific parts. The tangent lines visibility works the same way.

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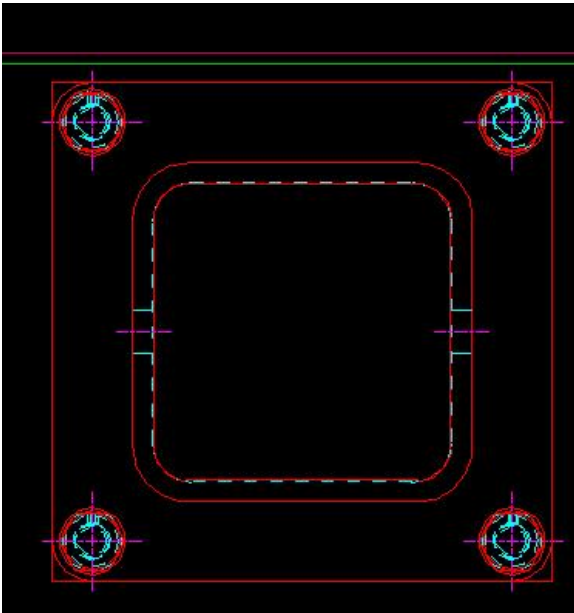


Figure 16-1 All parts show hidden lines.

All of the parts in this view have hidden lines shown. Fortunately, this is a simple view and hidden lines are not overly confusing.

Despite this, let's only show the hidden lines in the tube.



Figure 16-2 Open the View Properties.

Click the view and select View Properties from the Mini Toolbar

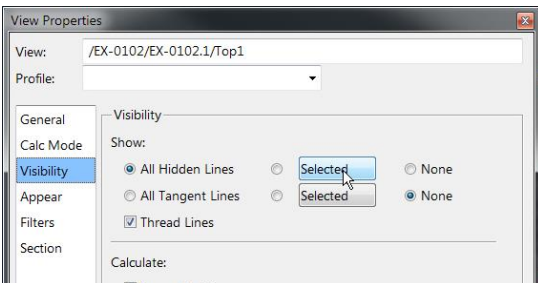


Figure 16-3 Click the Selected button.

Click the Selected Button on the All Hidden Lines line.

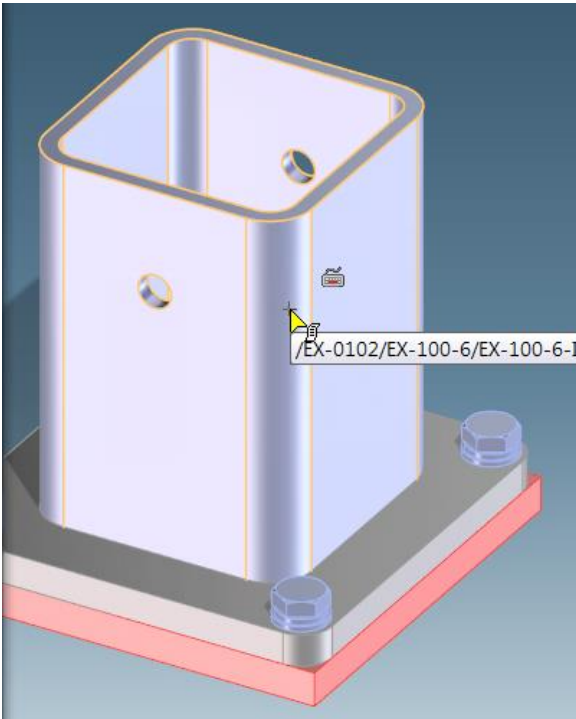


Figure 16-4 Select the part(s).

An Auxiliary 3D viewport opens, select the part(s) that are required to have hidden lines displayed.

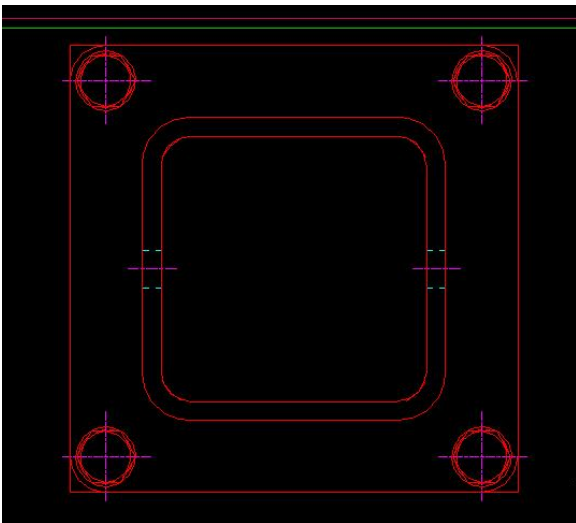


Figure 16-5 Only the parts select now show hidden lines.

Close the View Properties window and update the view.

Only the parts selected will have hidden lines displayed.

You can revise which parts have hidden lines displayed by repeating this command. When revising, selecting parts acts as a toggle. Clicking on a part that currently shows hidden lines will turn off hidden lines. Clicking a part that is not showing hidden lines, will turn on hidden lines for that part.

17 Creating, Placing and editing texts and symbols.

17.1 Texts.

Annotation uses a built in editor for creating texts. This editor also has a drop down list to place symbols into the texts. Once a text is placed, clicking on the text will bring up the mini-toolbar with options to edit the text. Ownership is important for texts, please see chapter 18 OWNERSHIP.

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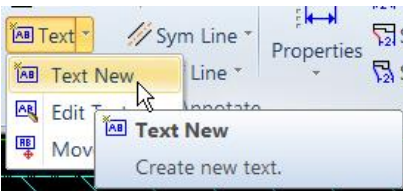


Figure 17-1 Ribbon Menu

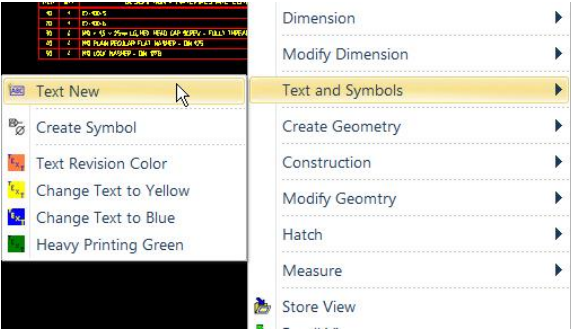


Figure 17-2 Right Click Menu.

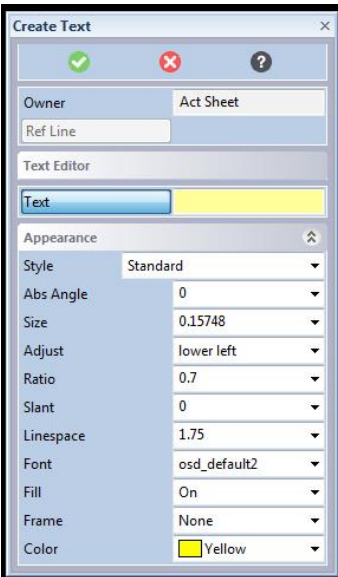


Figure 17-3 Create Text command.

To place new text, start the **Text New** command from the **Text** menu on the **Ribbon Bar**.

Or **Right Click** on the screen and select **Text New** from the **Text and Symbols** menu..

This is the **Create Text** dialog box that opens when the **Text New** command is started.

Select the Owner of the text.

Clicking on the **Text** button to open the internal editor.

(Short texts can be entered directly into the yellow box.)

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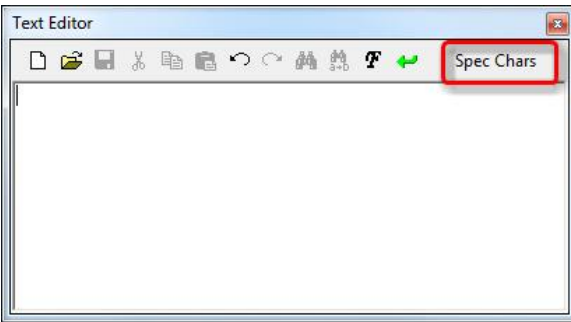


Figure 17-4 Internal Text Editor window.

This is the text editor window.

Note! There is not a built in spell checker. An option is to enter the text into Microsoft Word to spell check, then cut and paste into this Text Editor.

Click the **Spec Chars** button to open up the symbols library.

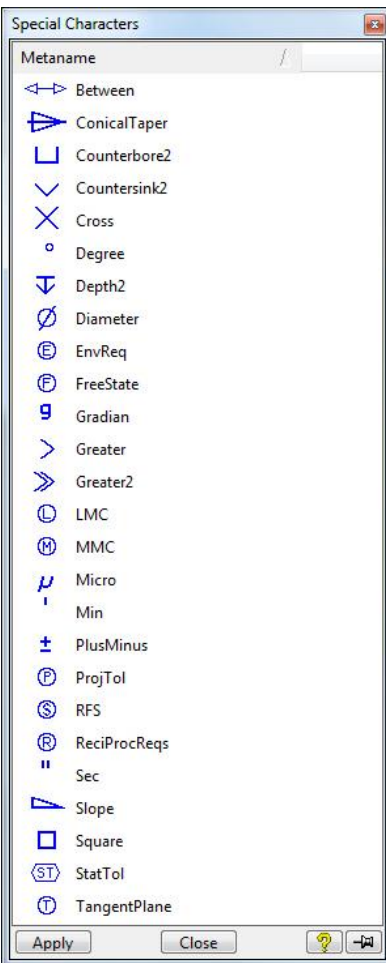
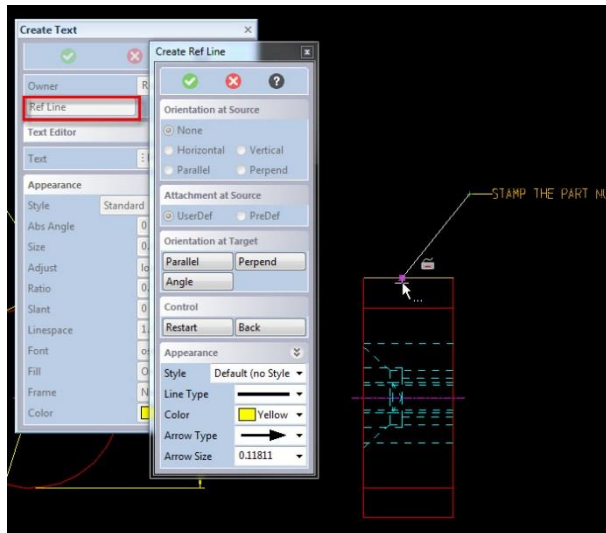


Figure 17-5 Special Character Browser.

These are the **Special Character** symbols. These will place the shown symbol codes into the text. When the text is placed on the drawing, the symbol will show.

For example to show a diameter symbol, click on Diameter. The symbol code <Diameter> will be shown in the text editor window. When the text is placed on the drawing, Annotation will show the symbol \varnothing .



Once text is placed, a leader line can be added to the text by clicking the Ref Line button.

Figure 17-6 Placing the leader.



Figure 17-7 Text Templates

Texts that are use often have been made into text templates.

Open the template browser and double click the required text to be placed in the drawing. Please see Chapter 2 [BROWSER BAR](#).

Many vendor addresses have been saved as templates. These then can be placed on the drawing by selecting the template.

17.2 Symbols.

Symbols are found in the template browser. Some of these symbols have text fields that can be filled in by the user. The symbol edit box opens if these fields are available for the user to put in values.

Ownership of symbols is very important.

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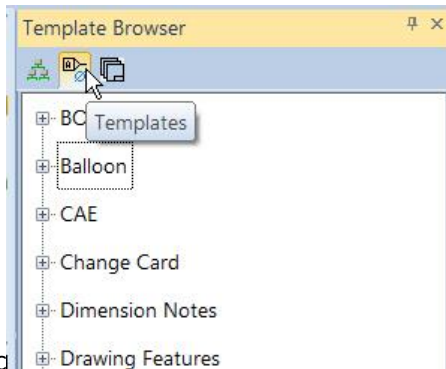


Figure 17-8 Symbols Templates.

Click the **Template** browser button in the **Browser Bar**. This opens up the symbols and text templates list. (See [CHAPTER 2 BROWSER BAR](#).)

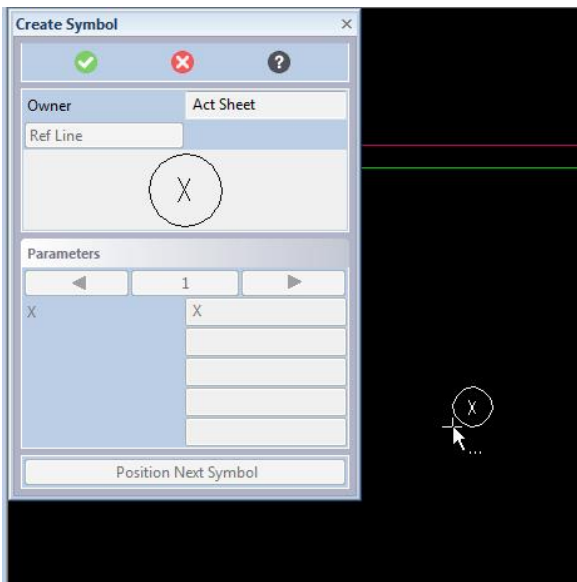


Figure 17-9 Select the Symbol and place it on the drawing.

Select the symbol required.

Select the Owner.

Place the symbol on the drawing.

The text field cannot be edited until the text has been placed.

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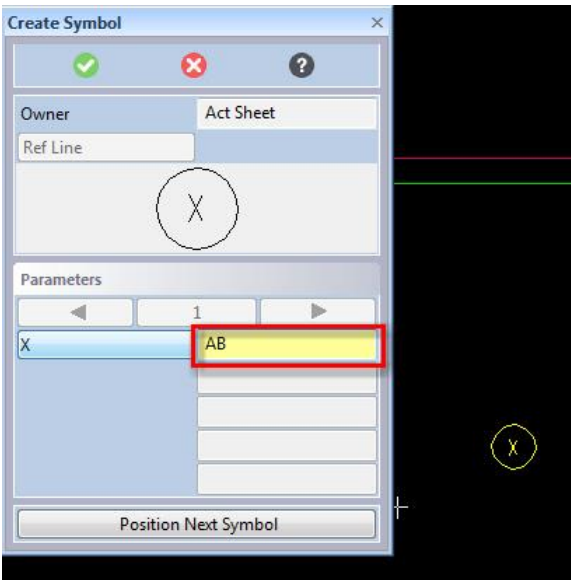


Figure 17-10 Edit the symbol field(s).



Figure 17-11 Placed and edited symbol.

Edit the text.

If a Ref Line is needed, click the Ref Line Button. Ref Line is owner dependent. The owner must be a view or sketch in order to have a reference line.

In this example, the **Ref Line** option is greyed out because the owner is the Act Sheet.

Click the Green Checkmark.

Once the Checkmark is clicked the symbol will show the edited text.

Clicking on the symbol will bring up a mini-toolbar with options to edit the symbol.

Clicking on **Position Next Symbol** allows the user to place the next symbol on the drawing.

18 Ownership.

Placing a symbol or texts on a drawing requires an owner. The owner can be a view, sketch, the active drawing, or the frame (border).

Ownership is very important.

Texts and symbols cannot have a leader if they are not owned by a view or a sketch.

Symbols such as surface finish will not move with a view if they are not owned by the view.

When placing texts, or symbols make sure that the correct owner is shown in the owner box.

To specify an Owner, click the Owner button, then click the view, sketch or an empty part of the drawing to select the Active sheet.

18.1 Changing the owner of a symbol or text.

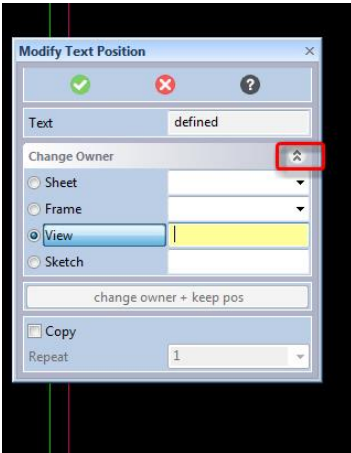


Figure 18-1 Modify the text owner.

The owner of a symbol or text can be modified.

Click the text or symbol, select **Modify Position** from the **Mini Toolbar**.

Expand the **Change Owner** dialog.

Select the new owner type, view, sheet etc.

If the text or symbol does not have to be moved, click Change Owner + Keep Position button to complete the command.

19 Linear Dimensioning.

Dimensioning will be divided into several topics. Linear dimensioning, coordinate dimensioning and dimensioning features such as holes, fillets and blends.

Sometimes dimensions (particularly coordinate) dimensions are packed so tightly, they are difficult to read.

19.1 Single dimensions.

Single dimension places a dimension from a start point to a finish point.

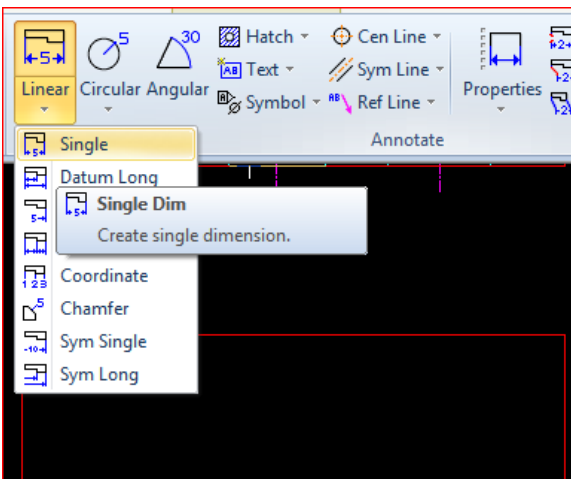


Figure 19-1 Start the Single Dim command.

Start the **Single Dim** command.

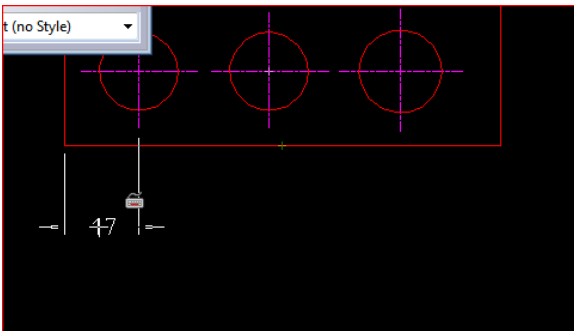


Figure 19-2 Start dimensioning line to line or point to point.

Select the base and the first dimensioned geometry.

Once a dimension is placed, additional dimension can be added.

Hint: Try to select line segments instead of points, this will help align the dimension as well as update correctly if surfaces are moved in future revisions.

Hint: if the dimension is oriented incorrectly, right click and select the correct orientation.

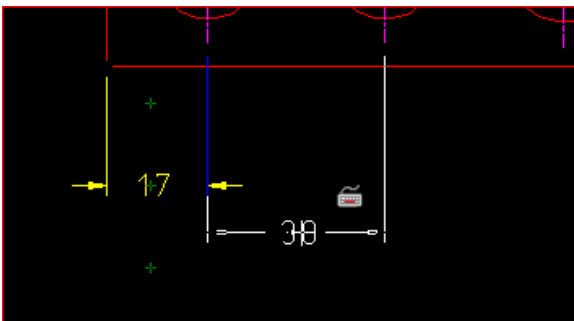


Figure 19-3 Hovering on an existing dimension displays alignment snaps.

Hovering over an existing dimension will bring up placement points so that the new dimension can be placed in line with the existing dimension or spaced equally above or below the dimension.

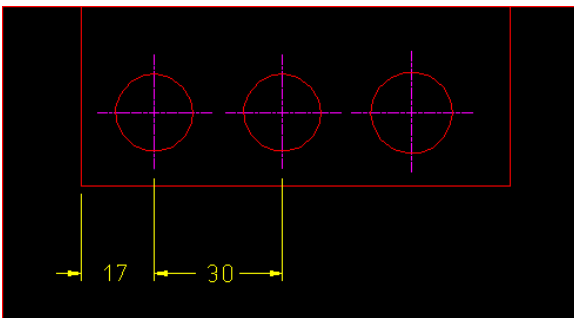


Figure 19-4 Aligned dimension.

The dimensions snaps in line with the placement points.

19.2 Tangential linear dimensioning.

The circular dimensioning toolbar includes the tangential dimension command. This command can be used to dimension between a radius and linear geometry and between to radial surfaces.

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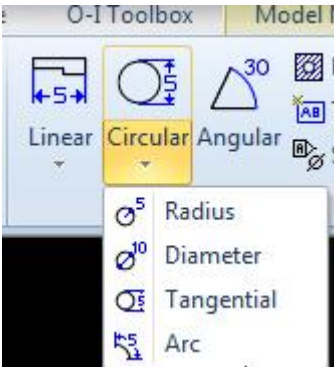


Figure 19-5 Start the Tangential dimension command from the Circular menu.

The **Tangential** dimension can dimension between two radii or between a radius and other geometry.

Start this command from the **Circular** dimension menu.

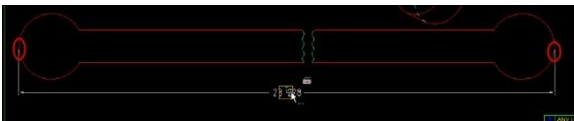


Figure 19-6 Two Tangencies.

Select either two tangencies (as shown here), or a tangency and a line.

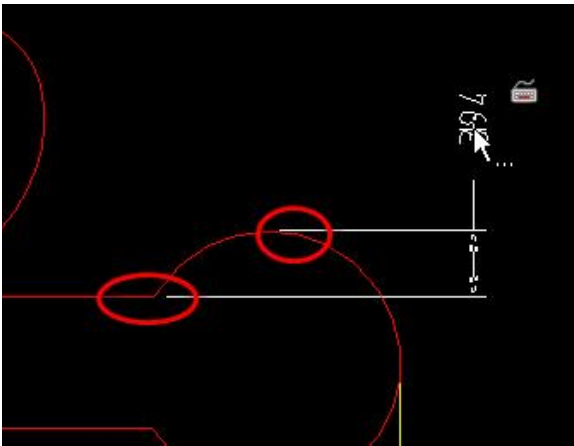


Figure 19-7 Tangency and a line.

This is an example of a tangency and a line.

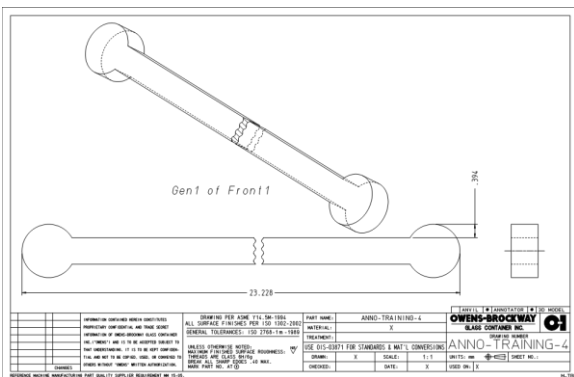
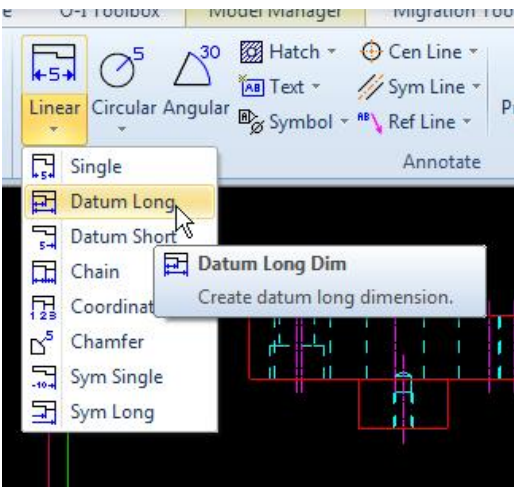


Figure 19-8 Completed Tangential dimensions.

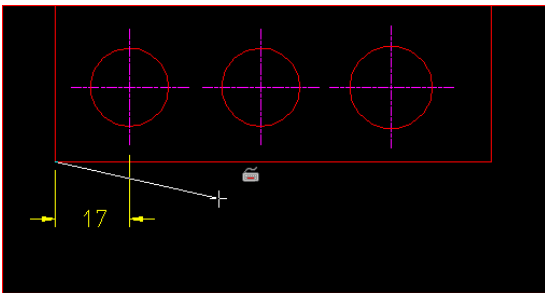
Completed dimensions.

19.3 Datum Long.

Datum long dimensioning works similar to Chain dimensioning. The difference, all of the dimension start from the same point.

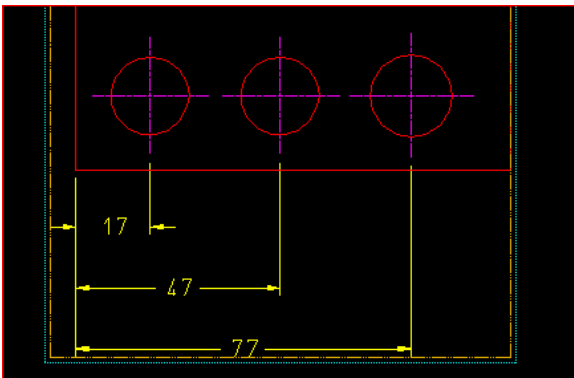


Start the **Datum Long** command.



Select the start point and the first geometry to be dimensioned.

Figure 19-10 Select the base point and items to be dimensioned.



Continue selecting geometry in the same direction.

The dimension start at the start point and end at the selected geometry automatically spacing.

Figure 19-11 Finished dimensions.

19.4 Datum Short

A Datum Short dimension displays the distance from a start point to an end point. However only the end arrow and dimension are shown.

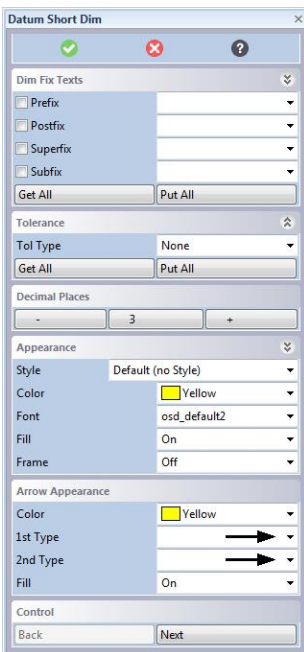


Figure 19-12 Datum Short Dialog Box

Start the Datum Short command.

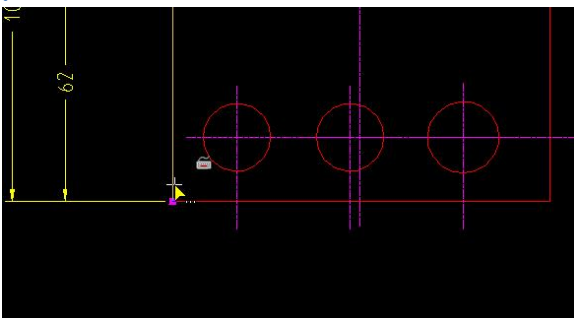


Figure 19-13 Select the starting point.

Select the starting point.

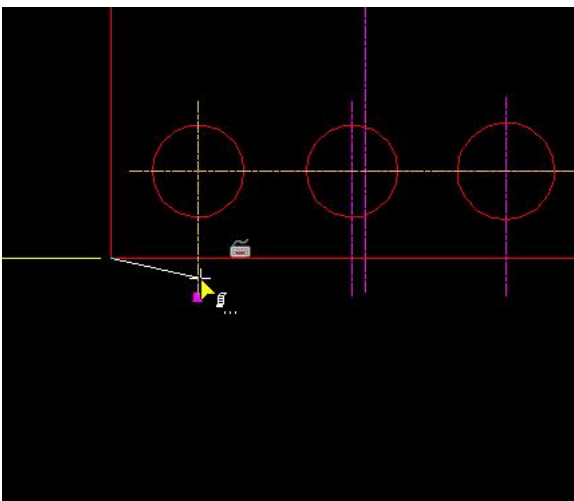


Figure 19-14 Select the end points.

Select the end point(s).

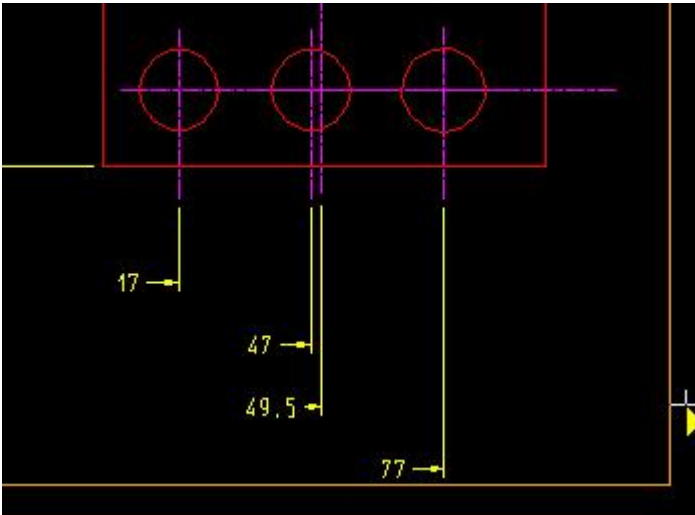


Figure 19-15 Completed command.

This is an example of Datum short.

19.5 Chain Dimensioning.

Chain dimensioning allows the creation of a group of dimensions with all of the dimensions aligned or spaced properly.

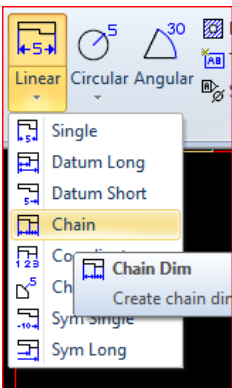


Figure 19-16 Start the Chain Dim command.

Start the **Chain Dim** command.

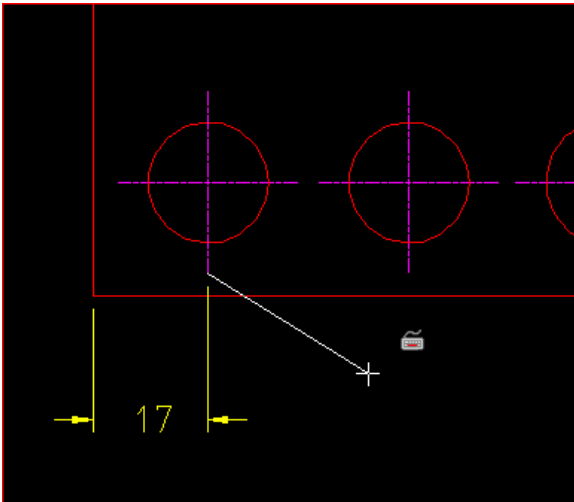


Figure 19-17 Place dimensions.

Select the start point and end point of the first dimension. The start of the second dimension will automatically continue from the end of the first dimension.

Continue selecting new end points to chain the dimensions together. The previous end point becomes the start point for the next dimension.

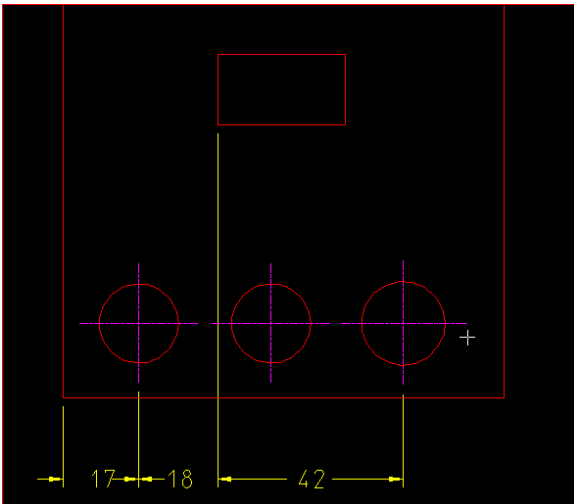


Figure 19-18 Continue selecting dimension end points.

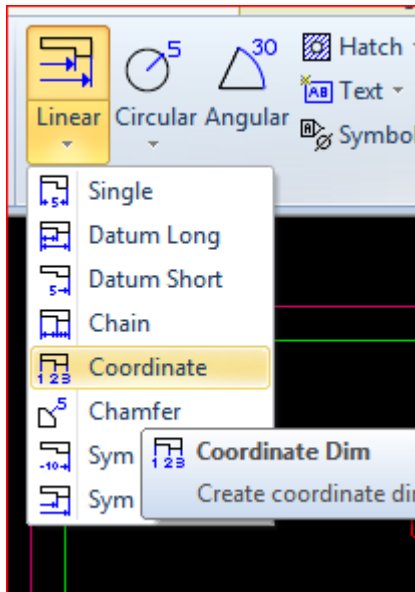
This is a series of chained dimensions.

19.6 Coordinate Dimension.

The coordinate dimensions work off a base point. Typically the base point is on the same view as the dimensions. External Base Points will be discussed in chapter [19.6.1 EXTERNAL BASE POINTS](#).

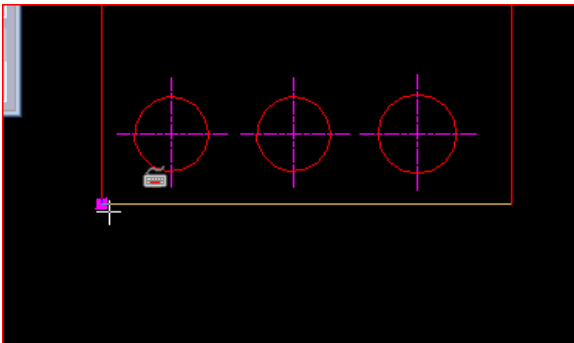
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Start the **Coordinate** command.

Figure 19-19 Start the Coordinate Dimension command.

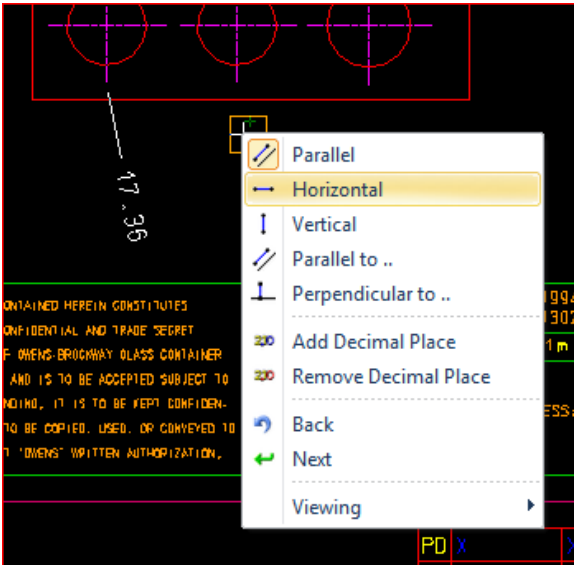


Click the base point. (Note that in this example, the 0 dimension is not displayed.)

Figure 19-20 Select the base point.

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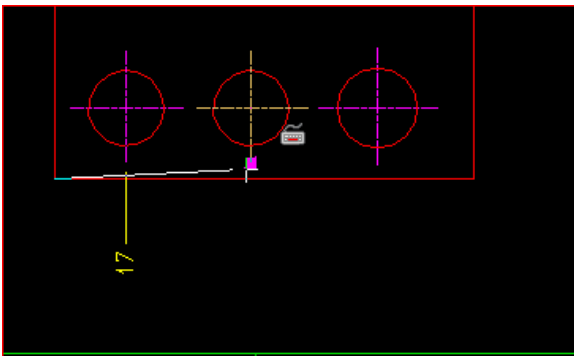
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Select the first geometry to be dimensioned.

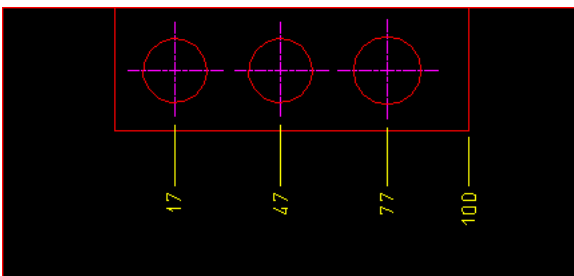
Correct the dimension alignment if necessary by right clicking.

Figure 19-21 Select the first dimension and correct the alignment.



Continue to add dimensions until complete.

Figure 19-22 Continue selecting geometry to dimension.



Completed dimensioning.

Figure 19-23 Finished Dimensions

19.6.1 External Base Points.

External base points allow the zero point from one view to be transferred to another view, such as a detail view. The view where the external point is selected and the view being dimensioned must have the same perspective.

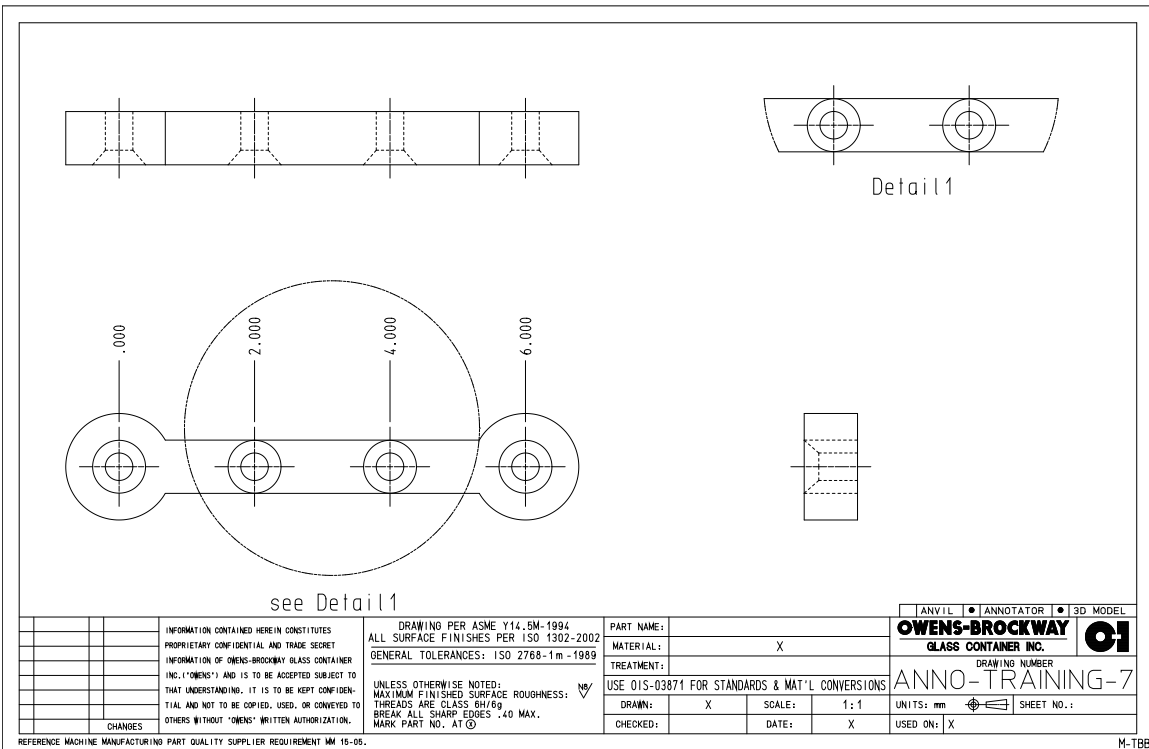


Figure 19-24 Add coordinate dimensions to Detail 1 using the same basepoint as the front view

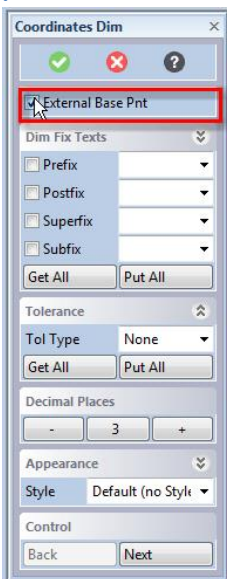


Figure 19-25 Check the External Base Pnt checkmark.

Start the **Coordinate** dimension command and click the **External Base Pnt** radio button.

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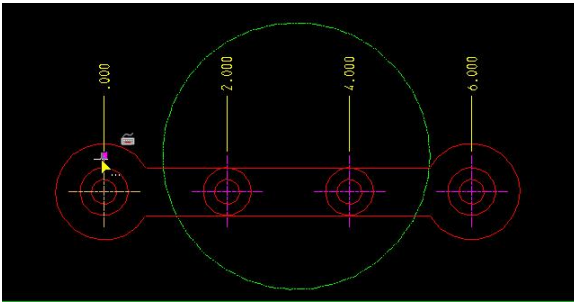


Figure 19-26 Select the base point of the source view.

Select the base point of the source view. This is the point on the geometry that the dimension is attached.

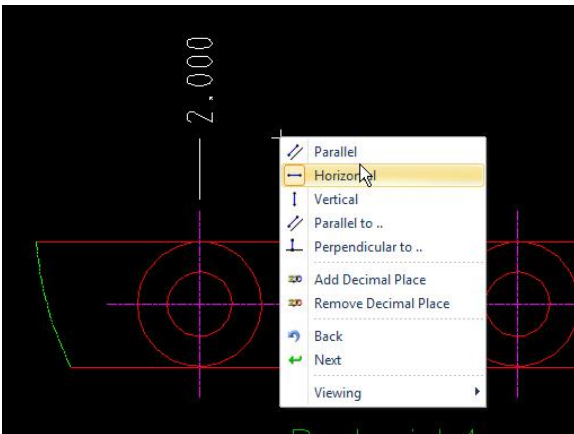


Figure 19-27 Select the target feature and ensure the dimension orientation.

Select the object to be dimensioned in the target view. Ensure that the dimension is oriented correctly (right click).

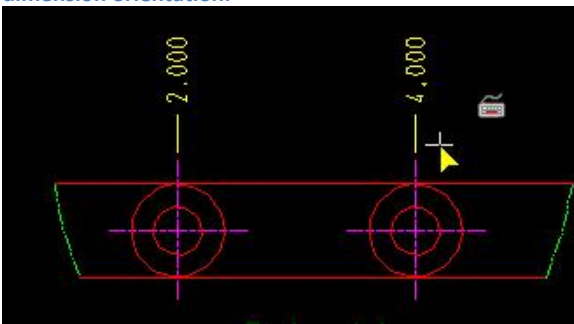


Figure 19-28 Continue dimensioning as required.

Continue adding dimensions to the target view as required.

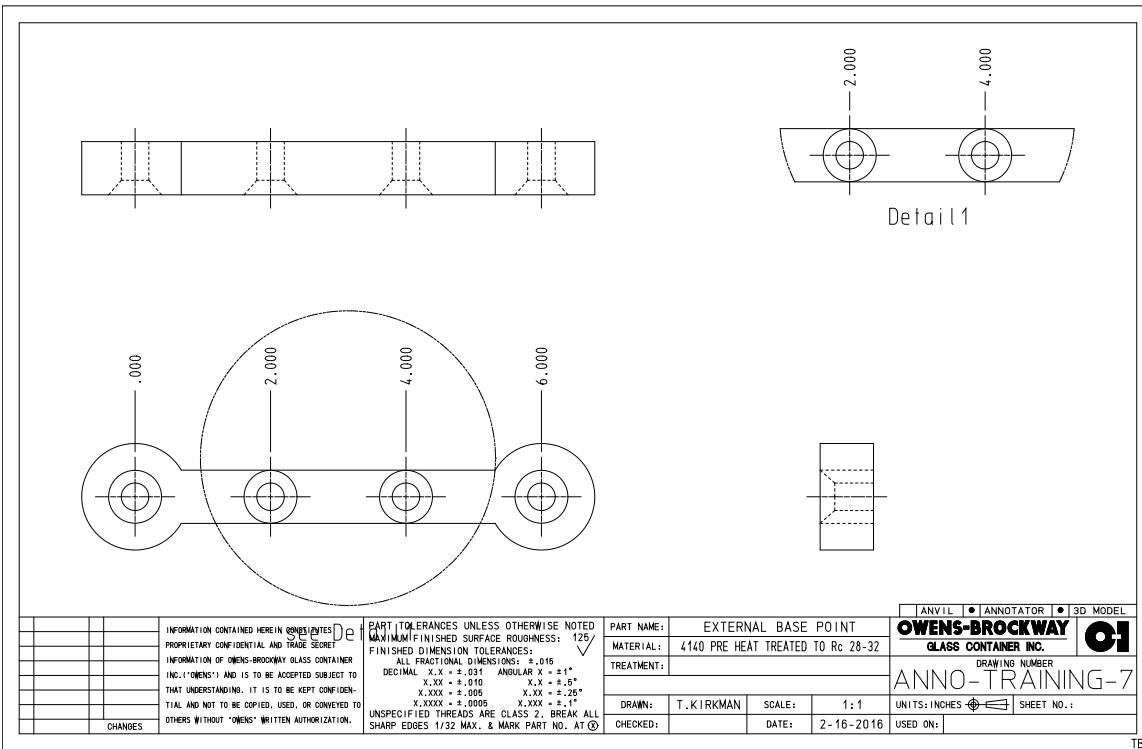


Figure 19-29 Completed coordinate dimensioning.

19.7 Chamfer

The chamfer dimension is used for 45° chamfers only. It Will not work on any other angle of chamfer.

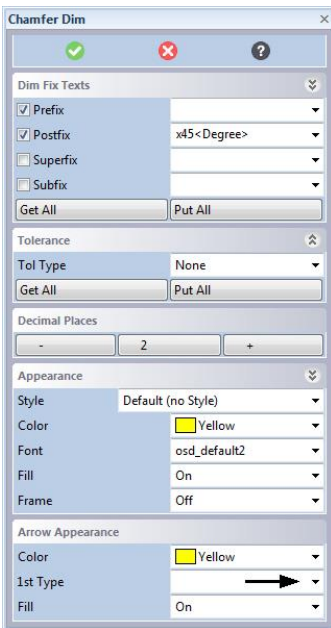


Figure 19-30 Chamfer Dim menu.

Start the Chamfer Dim command. Note that the postfix x45° is automatically selected.

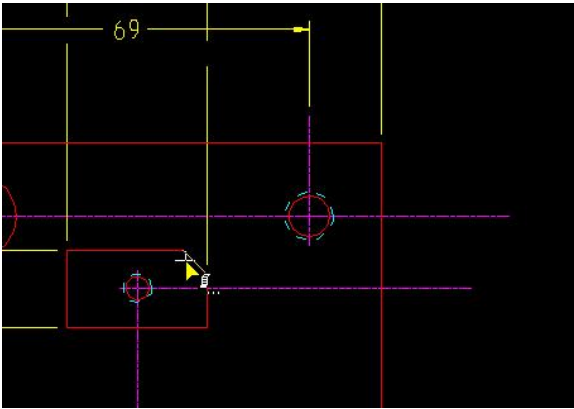


Figure 19-31 Select the chamfer.

Select the chamfer to be dimensioned.

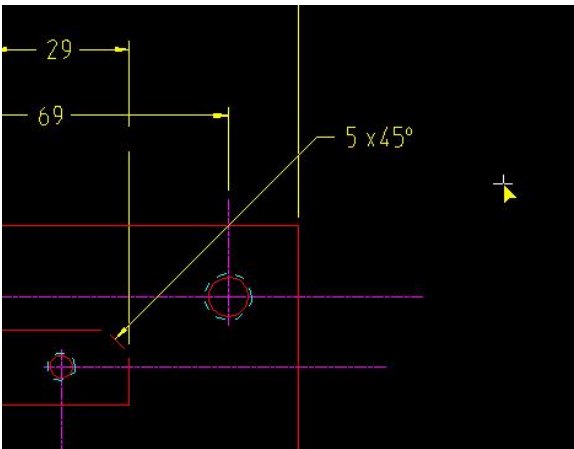


Figure 19-32 Position and orient the dimension.

Place the dimension and change the orientation to horizontal.

19.8 Symmetry Single, Symmetry Long

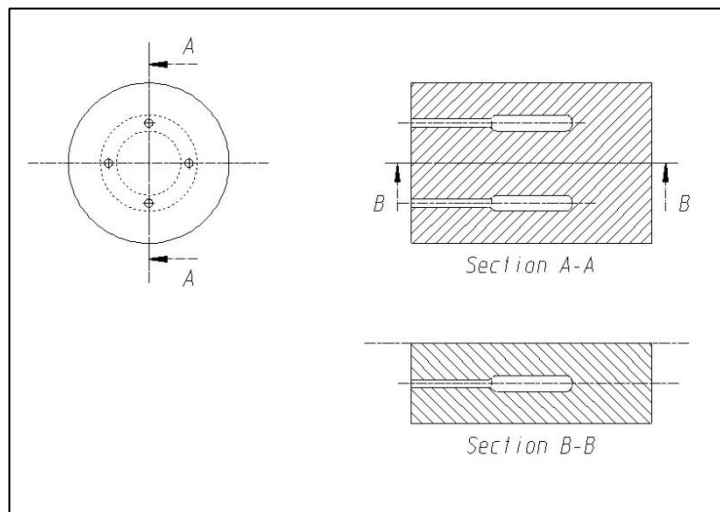


Figure 19-33 Section B-B is a quarter of the diameter. Symmetry can be used to dimension the diameter.

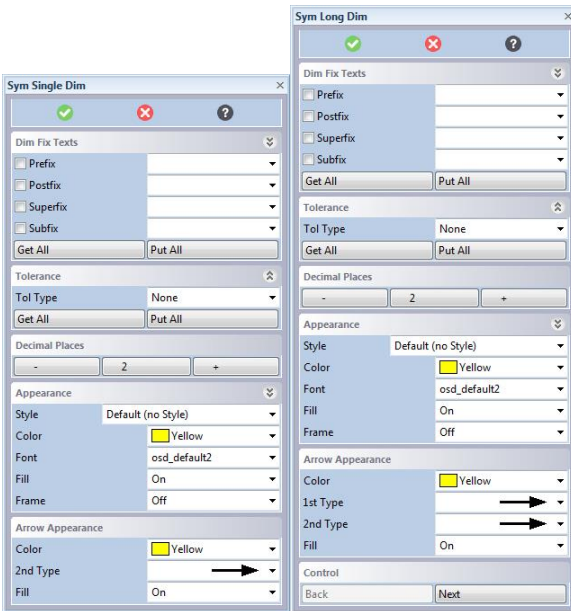


Figure 19-34 Symmetry Single and Symmetry long menus.

If only one dimension is required, use the Sym Single command. If more than one dimension is required use the **Sym Long Dim**.

The Sym Long Dim is similar to the Datum Long Dim in that it evenly spaces all of the dimensions automatically.

Since both commands work the same way, this example will use the Sym Long Dimensioning.

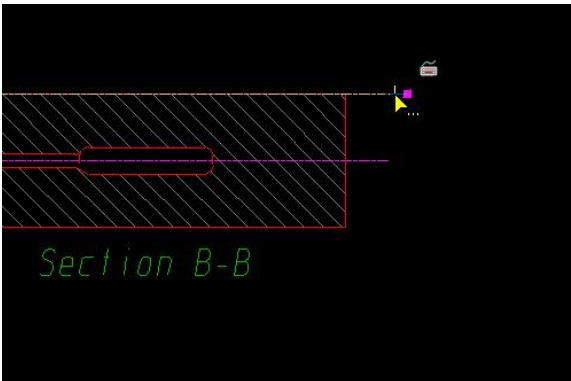


Figure 19-35 Select the Symmetry point.

Select the symmetry point of the dimension.

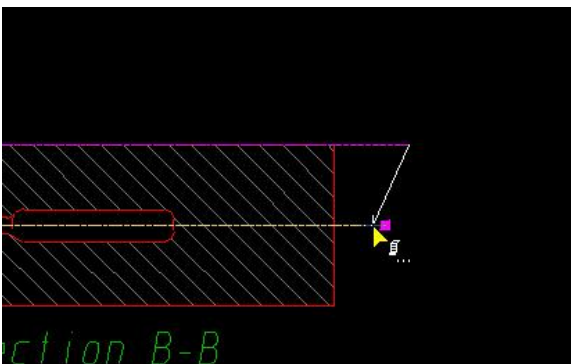


Figure 19-36 Select the first endpoint.

Select the first end point, and position the dimension.

If using the Sym Single Dim then the command ends.

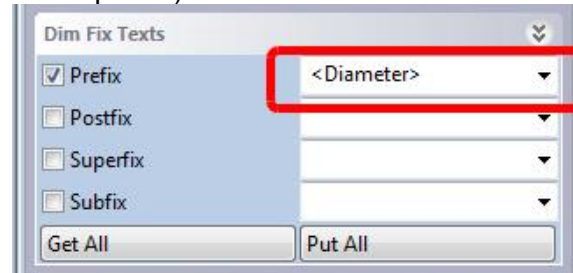
If using the Sym Long Dim command, then continue selecting geometry.



Figure 19-37 Continue selecting endpoints.

If using the Sym Long Dim, continue selecting end points.

(note that the \emptyset symbol was manually added to the prefix.)



The completed command.

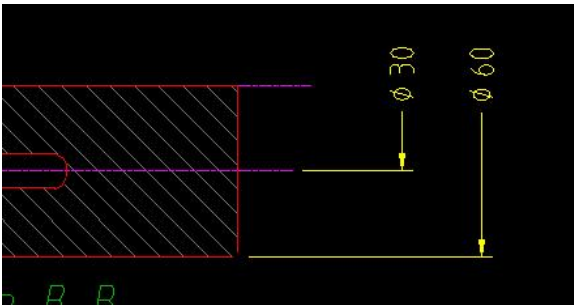
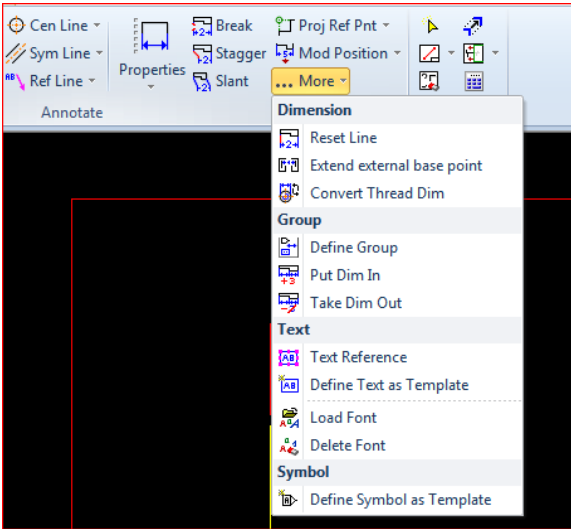


Figure 19-38 Completed command.

19.9 Put Dim In /Take Dim Out.

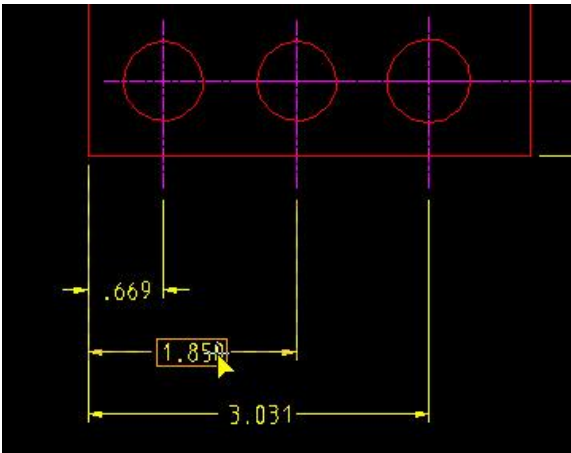
The major advantage of Chain, Coordinate, and Datum Long dimensioning is the ability to add and remove dimensions to the group. The other dimensions automatically move to keep proper spacing. For example if a series of holes is dimensioned and a hole is added, a dimension can be added to a chain, coordinate or datum dimension.

19.9.1 Take Dim Out Datum Long Dimensions.



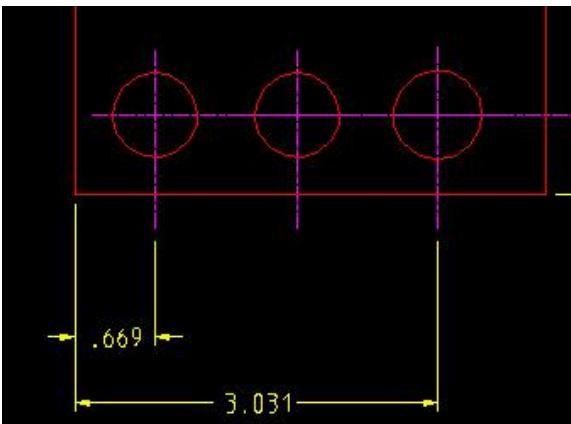
Start the **Take Dim Out** command.

Figure 19-39 Take Dim Out command.



Select the dimension to be removed from the Datum Long group.

Figure 19-40 Select the dimension.



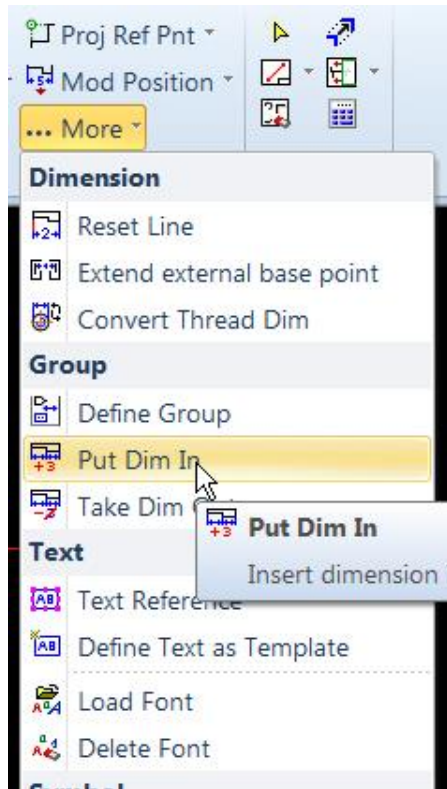
The Dimensions will automatically respace to the default spacing.

Figure 19-41 The dimensions move to keep spacing.

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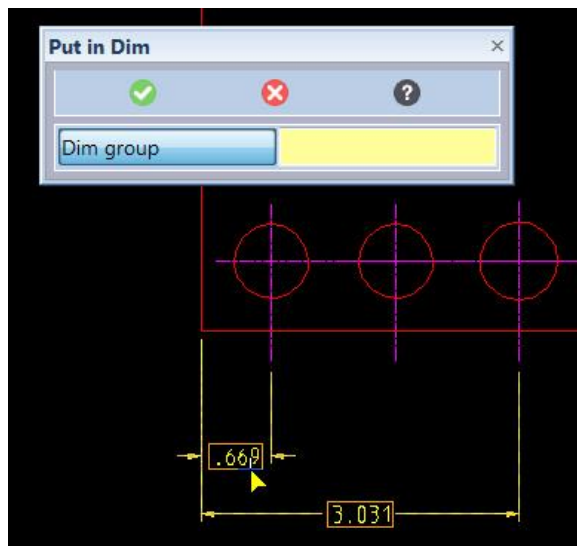
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19.9.2 Put Dim In for Datum Long Dimensioning.



Start the **Put Dim In** command.

Figure 19-42 Start the Put Dim In command.



Select the **Dim group** by selecting any of the dimensions in the Datum Long dimension group.

Figure 19-43 Select the Dimension Group.

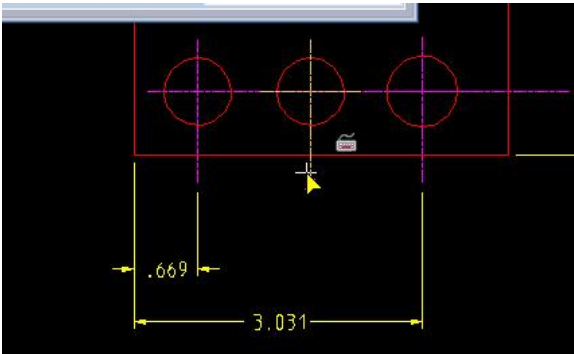


Figure 19-44 Select the Geometry.

Select the geometry to be dimensioned.

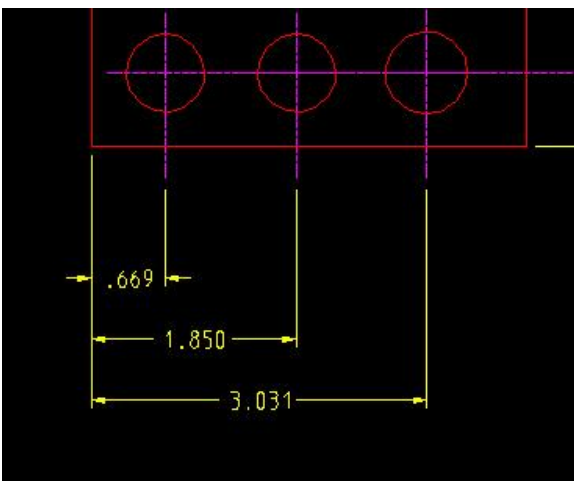


Figure 19-45 The Dimensions move to make room for the new dimension.

The dimensions move to make room for the new dimensions keeping the default spacing.

19.9.3 Take Dim Out for Chain Dimensioning.

The example in 19.5 CHAIN DIMENSIONING. missed dimensioning a hole, and dimensions the edge of the boss instead.

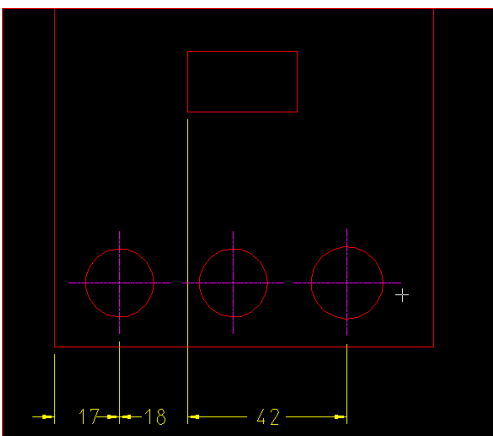


Figure 19-46 The boss is dimensioned and a hole is missed.

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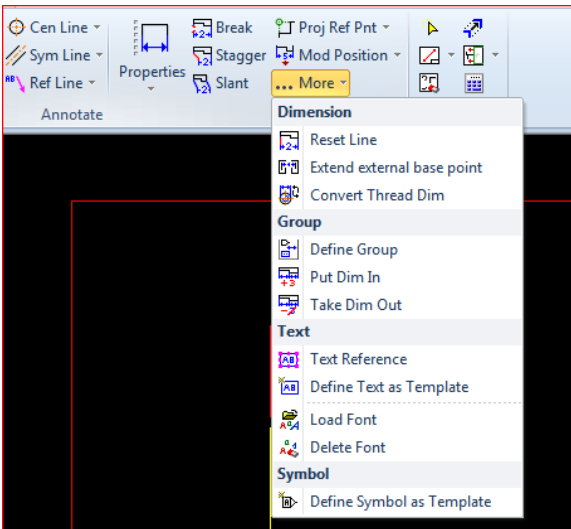


Figure 19-47 Start the Take Dim Out command.

First, the dimension to the boss will be removed. This is the 18mm dimension.

Start the **Take Dim Out** command.

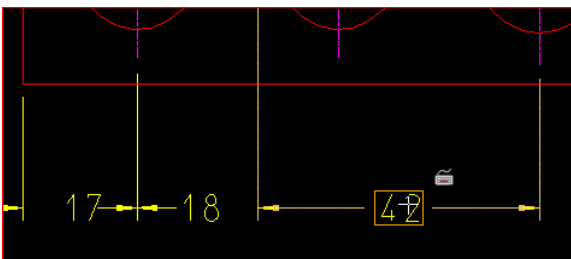


Figure 19-48 Select the dimension to fill the gap

Select the dimension that will be extended to fill the gap of the dimension that will be removed.

In this case the 42mm will extend to replace the 18mm dimension.

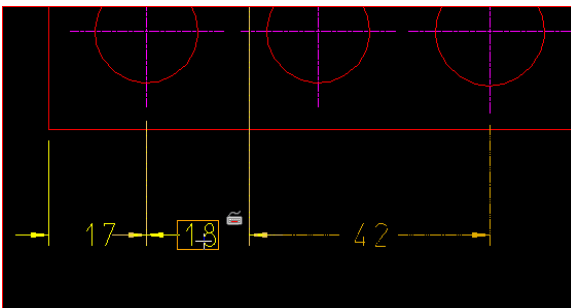


Figure 19-49 Select the dimension to be removed.

Select the dimension to be removed.

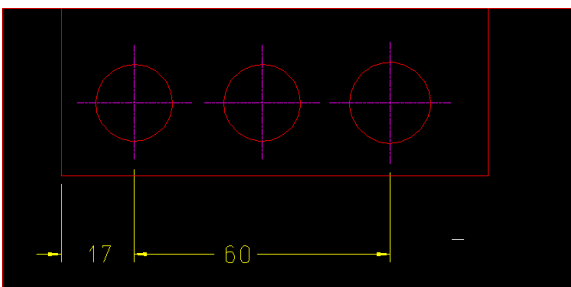


Figure 19-50 Completed command.

The 18mm dimension is removed and the 42mm dimension becomes 60mm and extends to fill in the gap.

19.9.4 Put Dim In for Chain Dimensions.

Dimensions can be added into a chain.

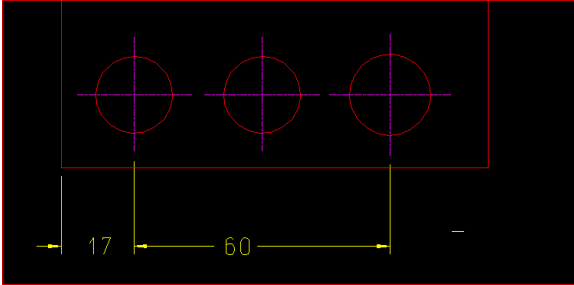


Figure 19-51 The center hole needs to be added to the dimension chain

Now the center hole dimension needs to be added into the chain.

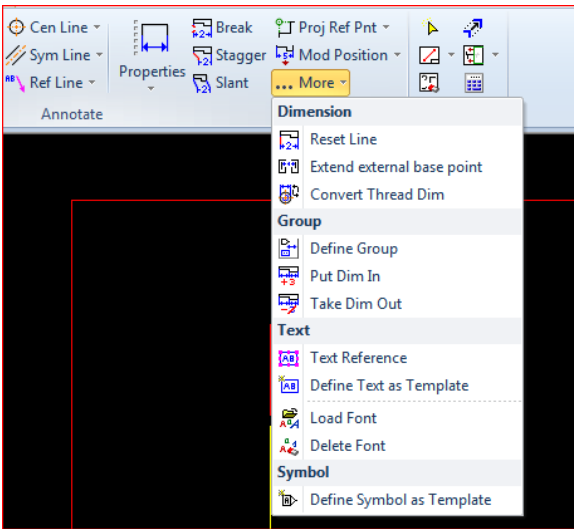


Figure 19-52 Start the Put Dim In command.

Start the **Put Dim In** command.

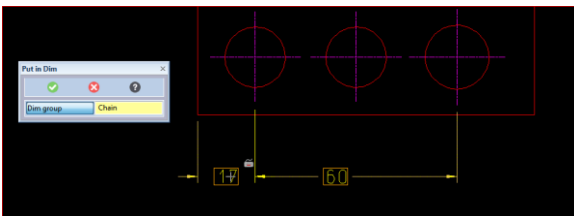


Figure 19-53 Select the dimension chain.

Select the dimension chain to add the dimension.

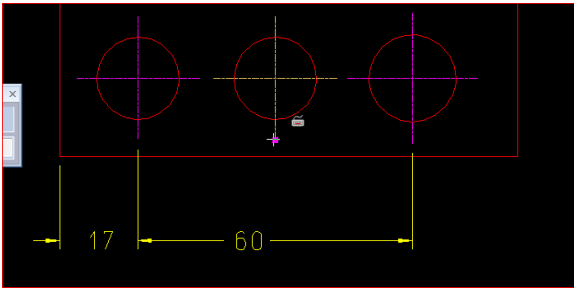


Figure 19-54 Select the object to be added to the chain

Select the object to be dimensioned.

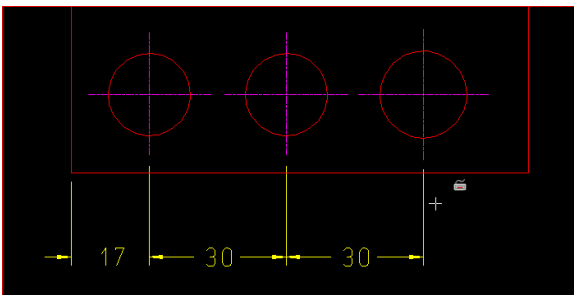


Figure 19-55 The dimension is inserted into the chain.

The dimensions move over and the new dimension is added into the chain.

19.9.5 Put Dim In and Take Dim Out for Coordinate Dimensions.

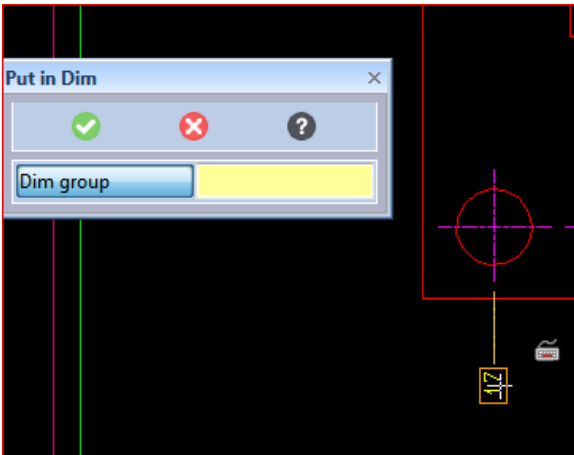
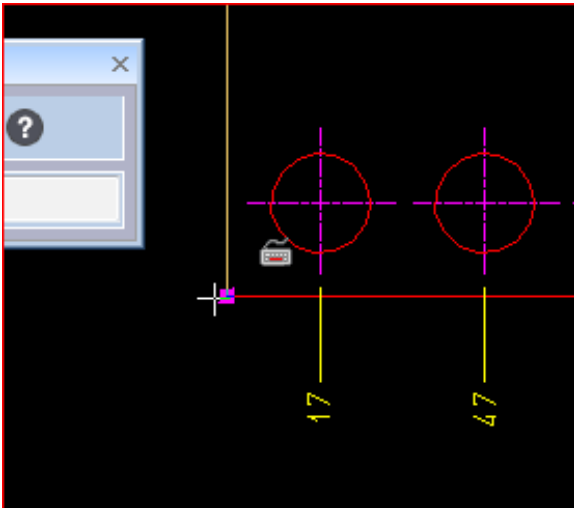


Figure 19-56 Start the Insert Dim command and select the dimension group.

Put Dim In will add dimensions to the coordinate dimension group.

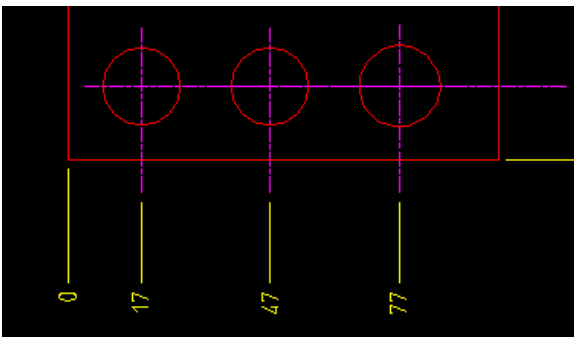
Start the **Put Dim In** command.

Select the **Dim Group**. Select any of the dimensions in the group. (for this example any of the horizontal dimensions.)



Select the geometry to be dimensioned. In this example the base point is select to add the 0 coordinate.

Figure 19-57 Select the base point.



The zero dimension is now added.

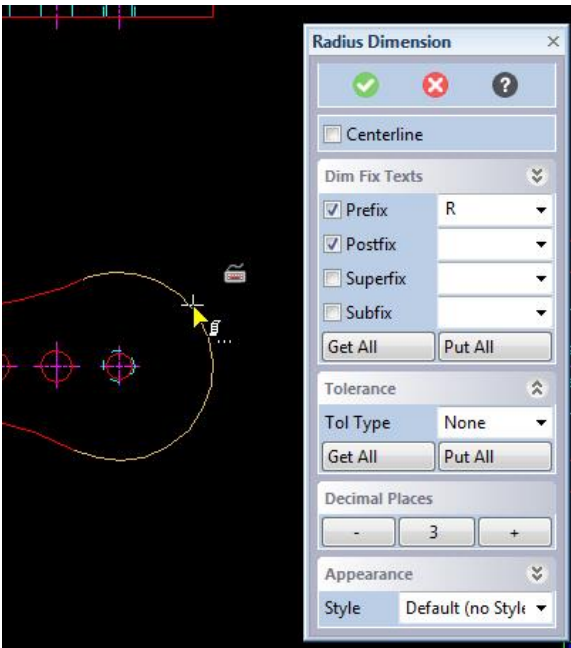
Figure 19-58 The 0 dimension is added.

20 Circular Dimensioning.

20.1 Radii.

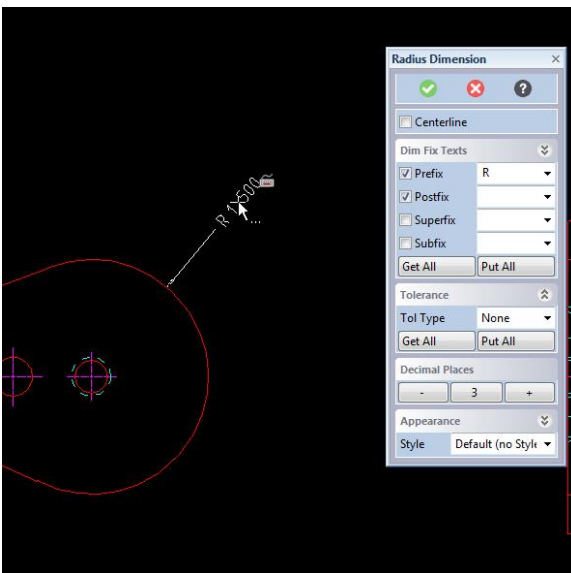
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Start the **Radius** command and select a radius.

Figure 20-1 Basic Radius dimensioning.



Drag the cursor out to position the dimension.

Figure 20-2 Drag the dimension to the desired location.

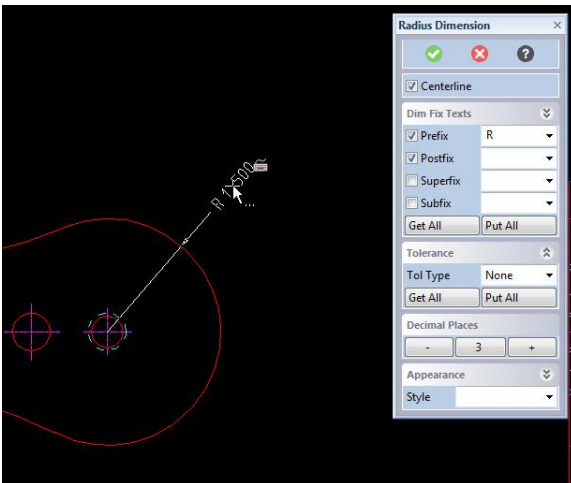


Figure 20-3 Centerline option.

Clicking the **Centerline** radio button, extends the extension line to the radius centerline.

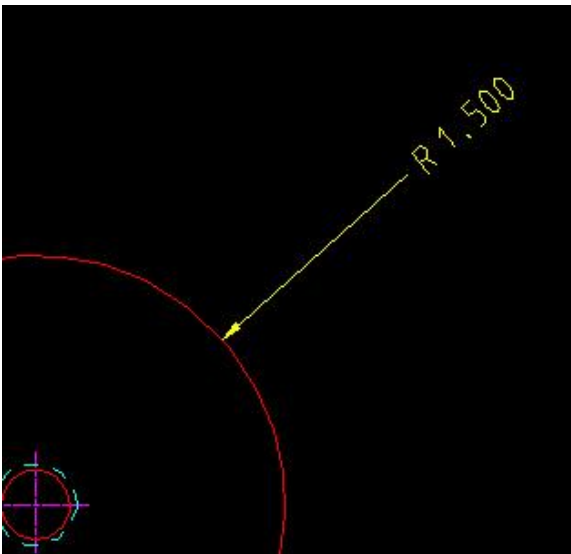


Figure 20-4 Finished dimension.

The text is in line with the extension line. Since the center of this radius is within the part, it should be made horizontal.

There are two methods to change this.

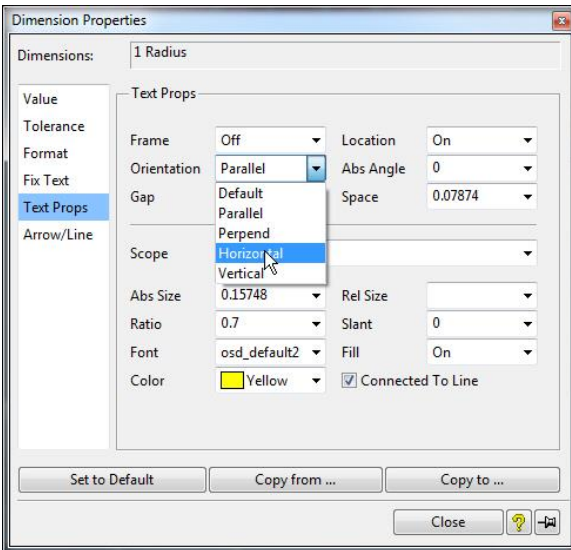


Figure 20-5 Change the text orientation to horizontal.

Method 1:

Click on the dimension.

Click on **View Properties** from the Mini Toolbar.

Go to the **Text Props** menu and change the orientation from **Parallel** to **Horizontal**.

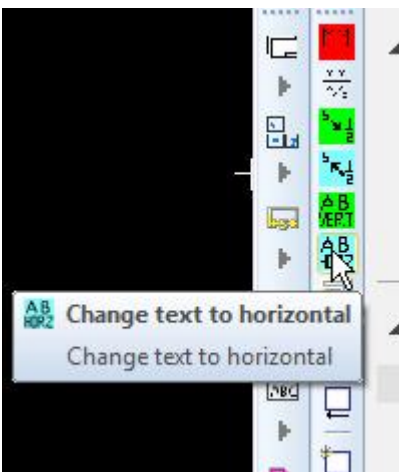


Figure 20-6 Change text to horizontal - method 2.

Method 2:

Select the **Change text to horizontal** button on the **O-I Dimension Modification Toolbar** and select the dimension.

Using this button has an advantage in that the user can click this button once and select all of the dimensions to be modified.

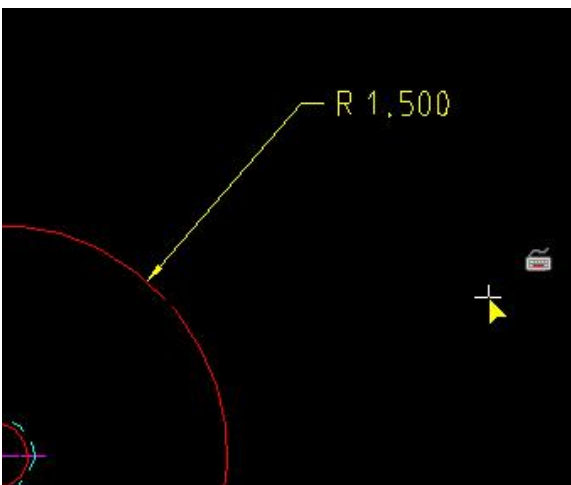


Figure 20-7 The corrected dimension.

Final dimension with the proper orientation.

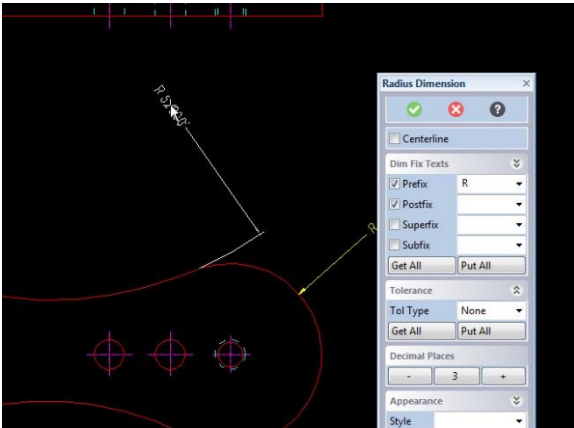


Figure 20-8 Arc extension example.

Annotation will automatically place an arc extension on the dimension, if the dimension is not directly pointing to the radius.

20.2 Diameters.

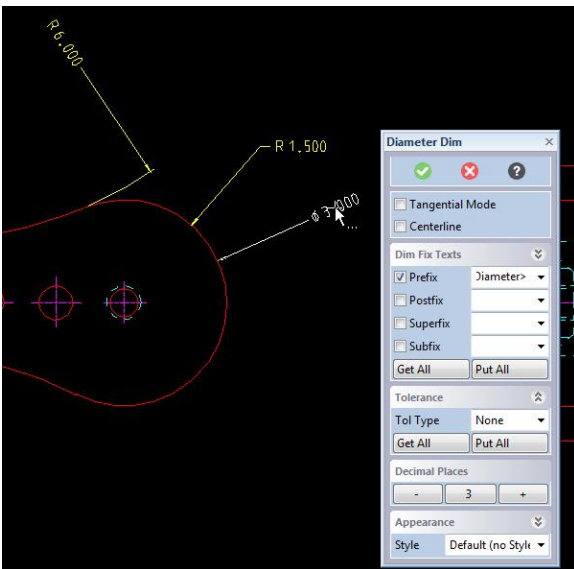


Figure 20-9 Basic diameter dimension.

The **Diameter** command has a two options. **Centerline** and **Tangential Mode**.

If none of the above options are selected, then the Diameter Dimension will have an arrow touching the circular geometry pointing toward the center of the circle.

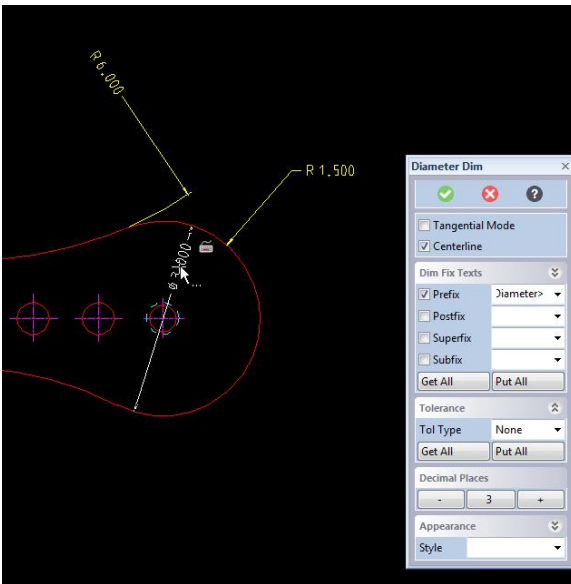


Figure 20-10 Centerline option.

The **Centerline** option will draw the extension line through the center of the diameter. If the diameter is a 180° arc where the dimension touches, two arrows will be shown. If the diameter is not a 180° arc where the dimension touches, only one arrow will be shown.

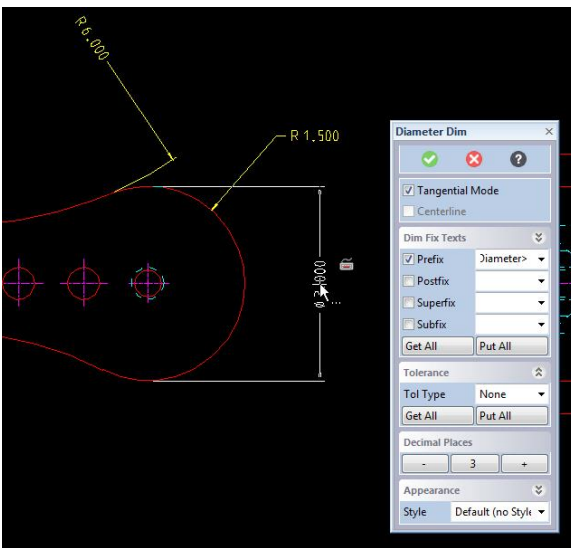


Figure 20-11 Tangential Mode option.

The **Tangential Mode** option draws the dimension on the tangencies of the diameter. The diameter must be at least a 180° arc.

Right clicking when placing this dimension allows the user to select the orientation of the dimension. In the example show, the orientation is vertical.

20.3 Tapped Holes.

Tapped holes are dimensioned using the Diameter Dim command. Start the command, select the tapped hole. Tap dimension includes the thread size, the pitch or TPI and the depth of the tap. If the tap is a thru hole, edit the postfix to say THRU.

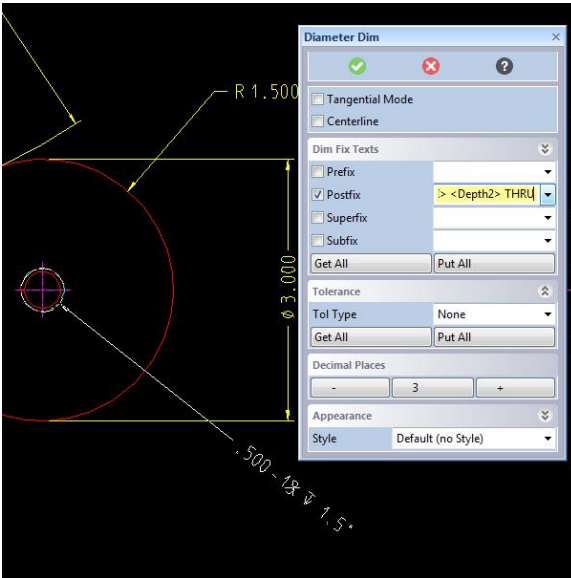


Figure 20-12 The postfix is edited from <Length> to THRU.

Start the **Diameter** command and select the OD of the tapped hole to be dimensioned. If the hole is a thru hole, edit the postfix, as shown here.

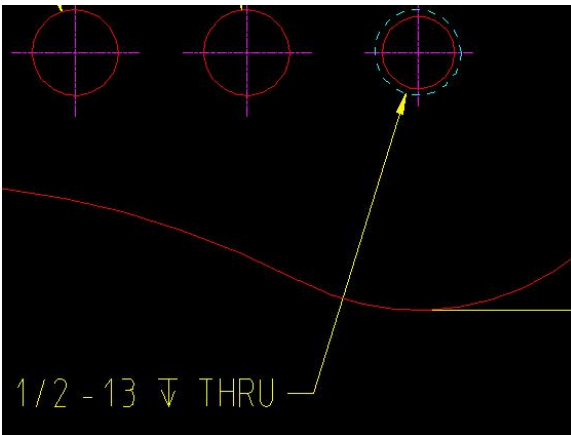


Figure 20-13 Final placed tap dimension.

Place the dimension and change the orientation of the text.

20.4 Counterbore and Countersunk holes.

Counterbore and Countersunk holes require two steps to dimension. First dimension the thru hole and the dimension the diameter of the countersink or Counterbore.

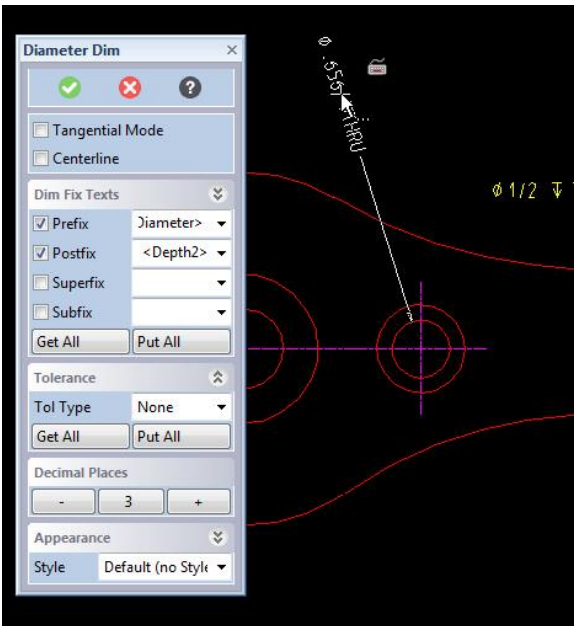


Figure 20-14 Dimension the thru and edit the postfix.

Start the **Diameter** command and select the thru hole.

Edit the postfix to indicate the depth is THRU.

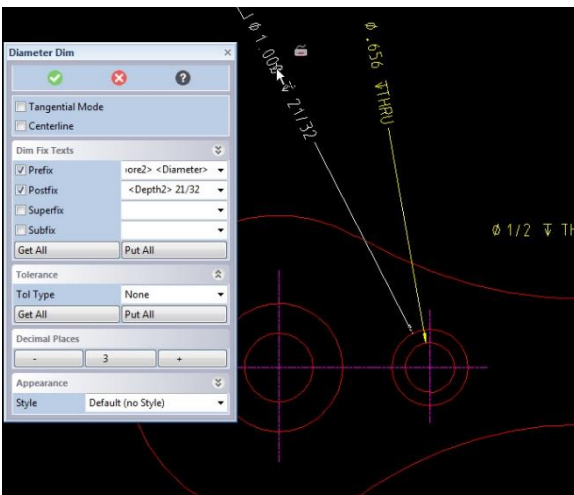


Figure 20-15 Dimension the Counterbore and edit the prefix and postfix.

Dimension the Counterbore or Countersink.

Edit the Prefix:

For Counterbores, edit the Prefix to show the Counterbore symbol and the Diameter symbol.

For Countersinks, edit the prefix to show the Countersink symbol followed by either 82°(inch) or 90°(metric) and the diameter symbol.

Edit the Postfix:

For Counterbores, edit to indicate the depth of the counter bore.

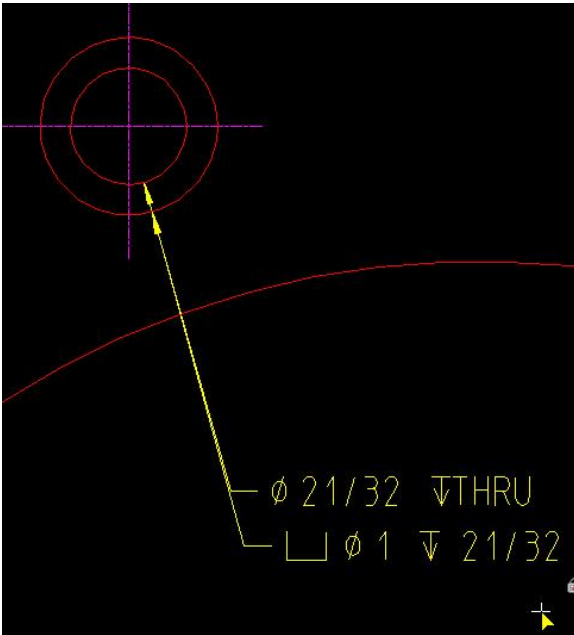
For countersinks, use the \emptyset and the diameter of the countersink.

After placing the dimensions, change the orientation to horizontal.

Change the dimension to the desired unit if required. This can be done by right clicking and modifying the dimension properties, or by using the O-I Dimension Modification toolbar buttons.

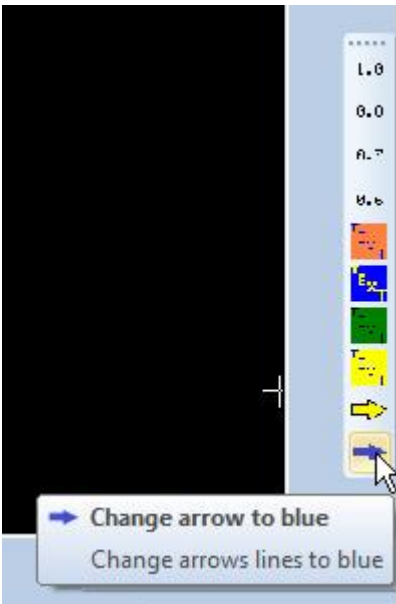
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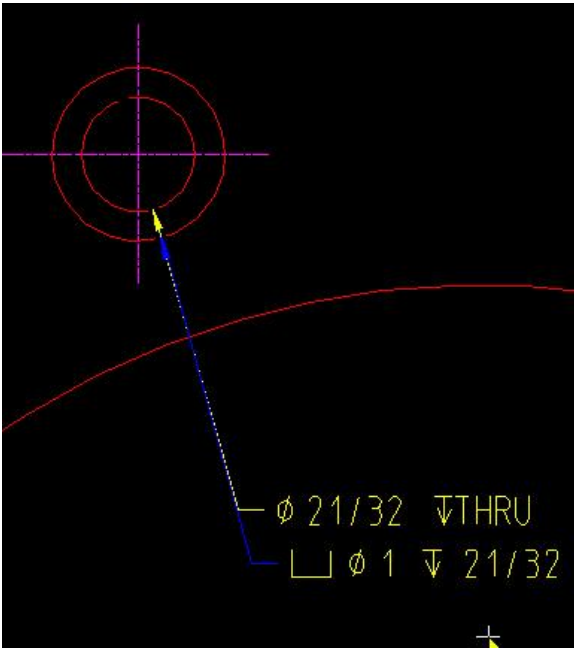
Change the orientation of the dimensions to horizontal and position them.

Figure 20-16 Change the orientation to horizontal and position.



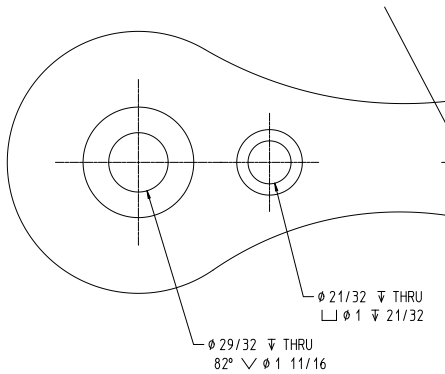
Change the leader of the Counterbore dimension to blue. Blue is a non-printing color.

Figure 20-17 Change the leader of the Counterbore to blue.



The blue leader will not be plotted.

Figure 20-18 The blue leader will not plot.



The dimension is plotted with only one leader. O-I Plotting defaults do not print blue lines.

Figure 20-19 This is how the plot will appear.

21 Tangential

Tangential dimensions under the circular dimensioning menu. However, it is basically used for linear measurements. See Chapter 19.2 [TANGENTIAL LINEAR DIMENSIONING](#).

22 Arc dimensioning.

Arc dimensions the length of an arc, or the angle of an arc.

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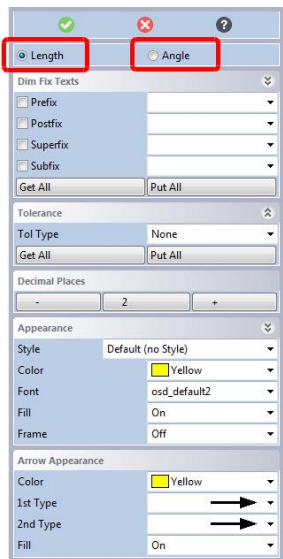


Figure 22-1 The Arc Dim menu.

Start the command. Using the radio buttons choose either to dimension the length of the arc, or the angle of the arc.

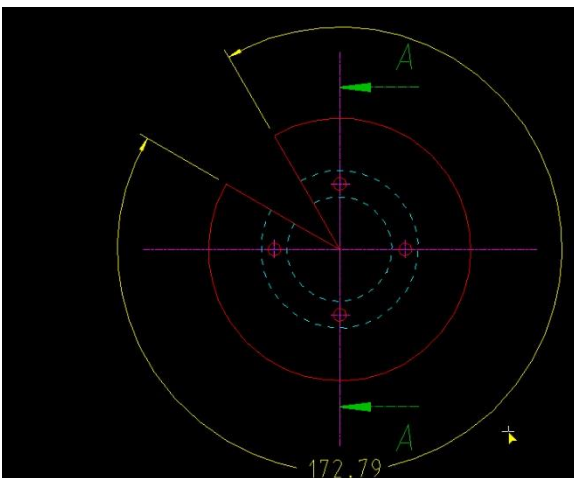


Figure 22-2 Arc Length.

For arc Length, select the start point of the arc.

Going counter clockwise select the end point.

Position the dimension.

Note that the linear dimension only works directly on the arc. The linear dimension will not be able to measure missing piece in this view.

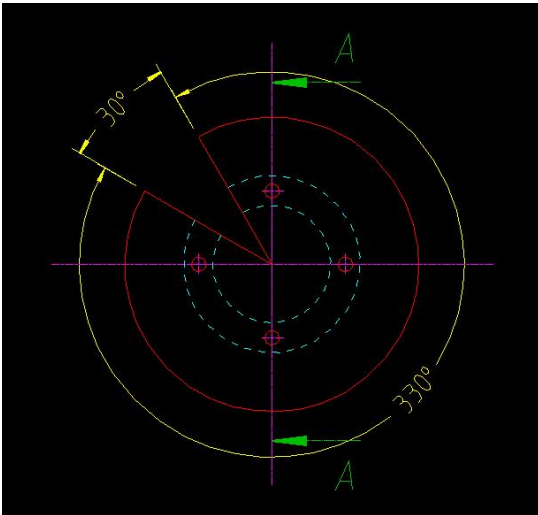


Figure 22-3 Arc Angle.

The Angle selection (see [FIGURE 22-1](#)) in the Arc Dim can dimension an arc itself, or the missing piece.

Select the start point.

Going counter clockwise, select the end point of the arc.

Place the dimension.

23 Angular Dimensioning.

The most difficult thing about angular dimensioning is getting the orientation correct.

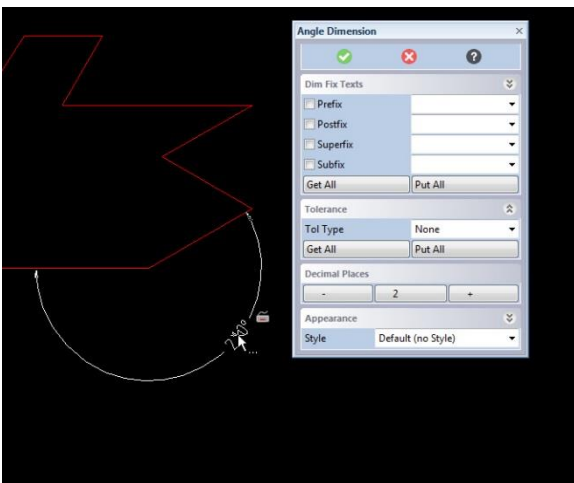


Figure 23-1 Start the command and pick the entities.

Start the **Angle** command. Pick the entities to be dimensioned, the order does not matter.

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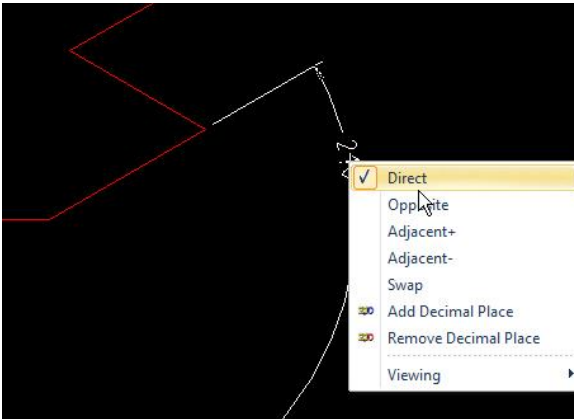


Figure 23-2 work with the orientation to achieve the desired appearance.

If the angle is not oriented correctly, right click and select the options. In this example the required dimension is 30° between the base and the lip.

Clicking on **Swap** and then **Adjacent-** gives us this orientation.

This process is experimental and it will take some practice to become proficient. Do not get frustrated, eventually the angle dimension will be correctly oriented.

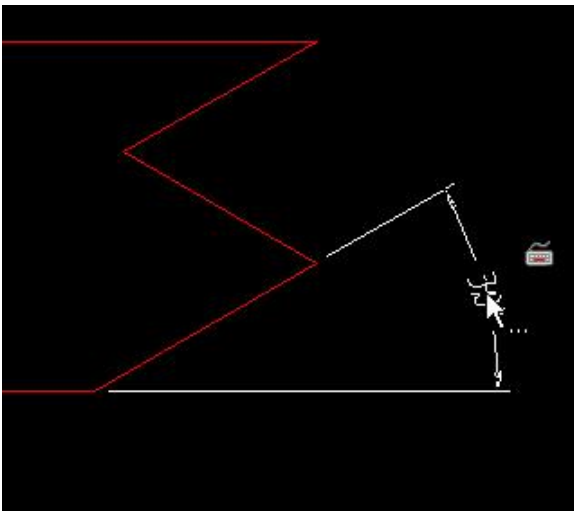


Figure 23-3 This is the correct orientation.

This is the correctly oriented angular dimension.

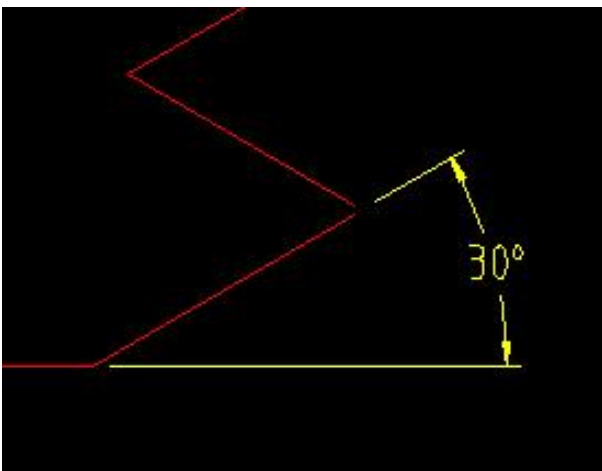


Figure 23-4 Completed dimension.

Similar to the radius dimensions, switch the orientation to horizontal.

Modifying Dimensions.

23.1 Dimension Properties.

The user can modify dimension colors and orientation.

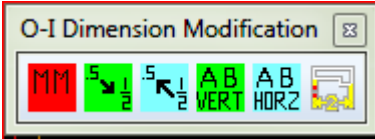


Figure 23-5 One of the Many O-I Toolbars available.

The O-I Toolbars are many one click methods of changing the dimension properties.

Clicking on these buttons and then on the dimension will quickly change the dimension properties. For example, the AB Vert will change all dimensions clicked on to a vertical orientation.

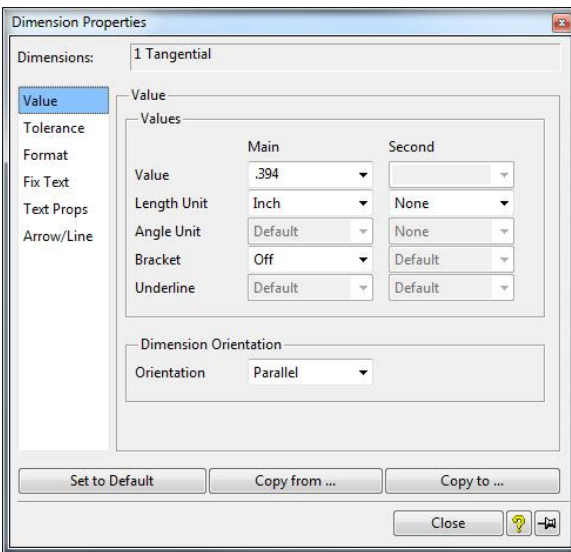


Figure 23-6 Dimension Properties Menu.

Clicking on the dimension and then clicking **Dimension Properties** from the Mini Toolbar brings up the Dimension Properties menu.

All aspects of the dimension can be changed with this menu including the units, adding second units, the arrow type and color, the text type and color.

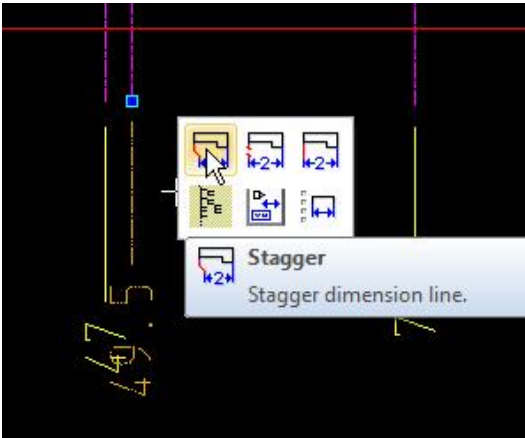
The Fix Text can also be edited from this menu.

23.2 Stagger extension Lines/move dimension text.

Overcrowded dimensions are difficult to read. The extension lines can be staggered and text moved to improve the clarity of the drawing.

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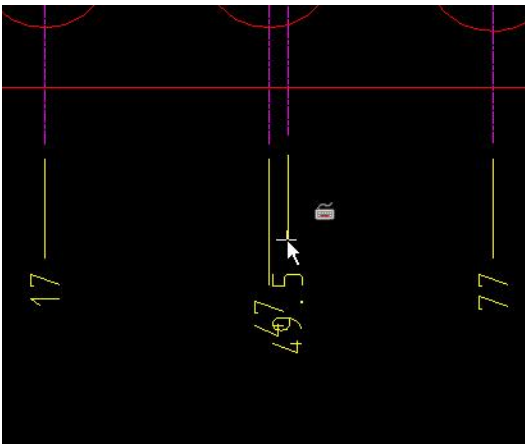
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Click on the extension line where the stagger is to start.

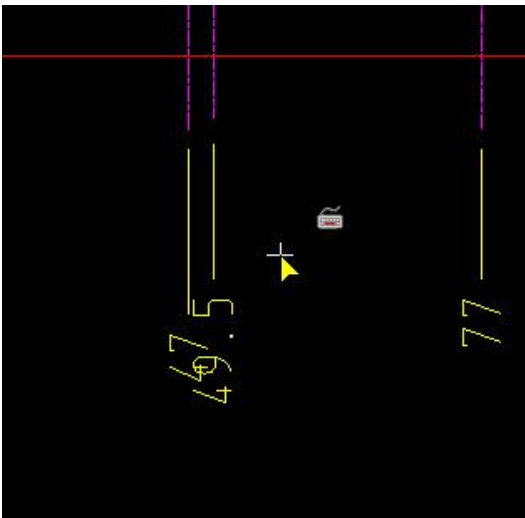
Click the **Stagger** button from the Mini Toolbar.

Figure 23-7 Stagger command in the Mini Toolbar.



Click the second point on the extension line where the stagger is to end.

Figure 23-8 Click the second stagger point.



Select the point where the stagger is to offset.

Figure 23-9 Click the stagger to point.

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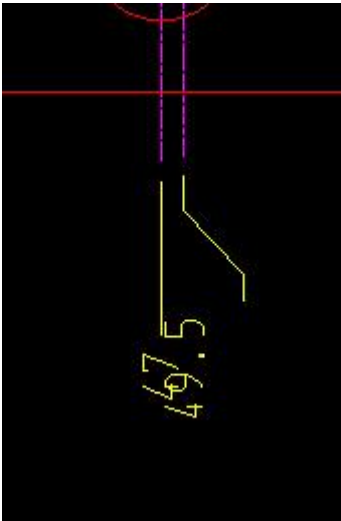


Figure 23-10 Completed Stagger command.

The line staggers, but the text stays where it started.

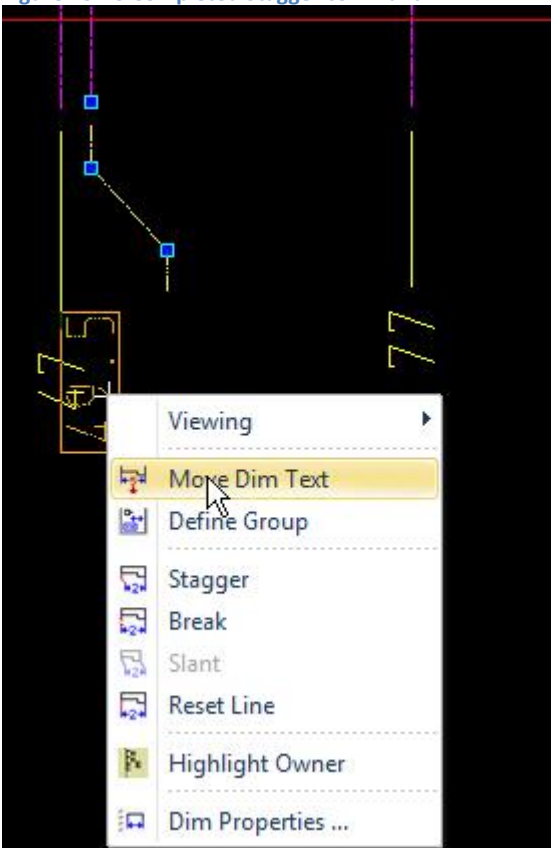
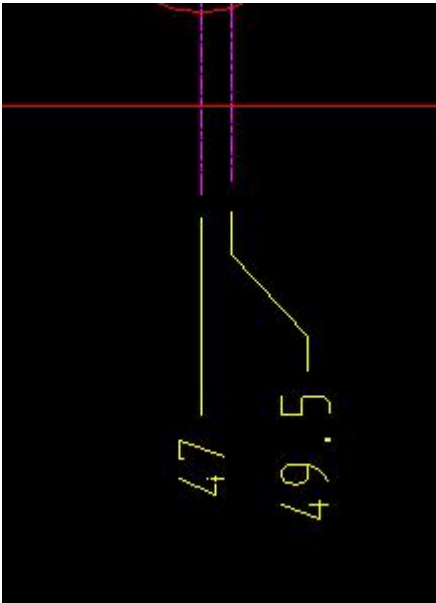


Figure 23-11 Click the text, right click and Move Dim Text.

Click on the text.

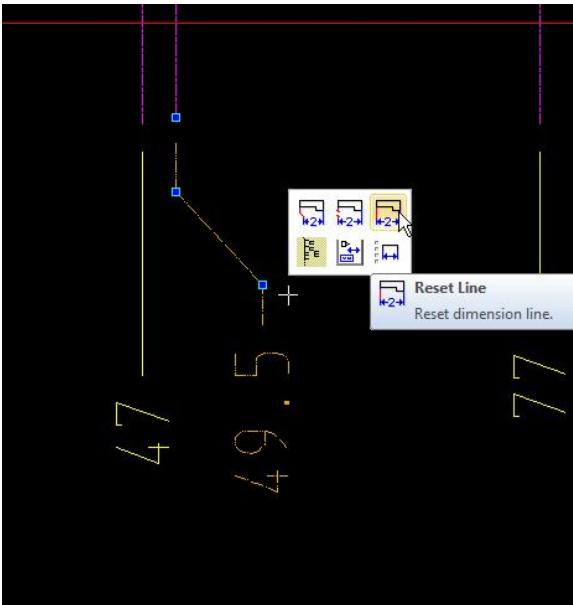
Right click and select **Move Dim Text**.

Drag the text to the desired location and left click to place it.



Completed Stagger.

Figure 23-12 Click the new location for the text.



To remove the stagger:

Click on the dimension.

Select **Reset Line** from the Mini Toolbar.

Drag the text and it will automatically realign with the dimension.

Figure 23-13 Reset the line.

23.3 Break Extension Lines.

Extensions lines that cross over other extension lines or text confuse a drawing. These extension lines should be broken and is the proper drafting technique.

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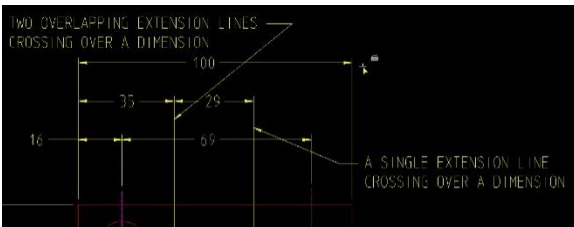


Figure 23-14 Overlapping extension lines.

The 35mm and 29mm extension lines cross over other dimensions. This is bad form and these lines should be broken.

A single overlapping line can be fixed using the Mini Toolbar.

The two overlapping lines can be broken with the Mini Toolbar command, but there is a simpler and better way. This is discussed below.

A simple break is one that does not have overlapping extension lines.

Click the extension line where the break is to begin.

Select **Break** from the Mini Toolbar.

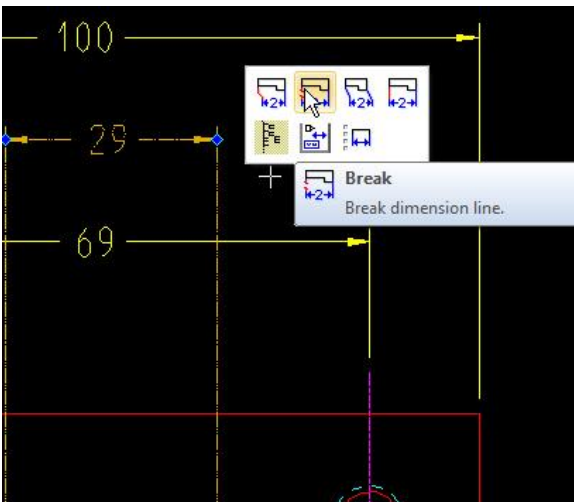


Figure 23-15 Click the break start point.

Select the second point of the break on the extension line.

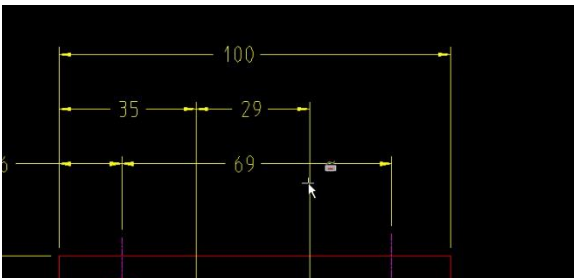


Figure 23-16 Click the break end point.

This is the completed break.

The other extension line is overlapping.

This command would have to be used twice to break two overlapping lines. This is time consuming and difficult. Instead, use the Multi-Break command.

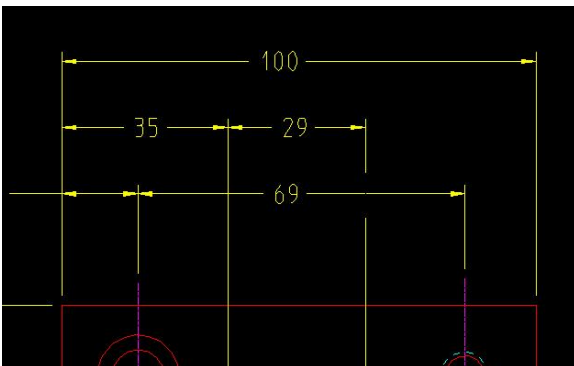
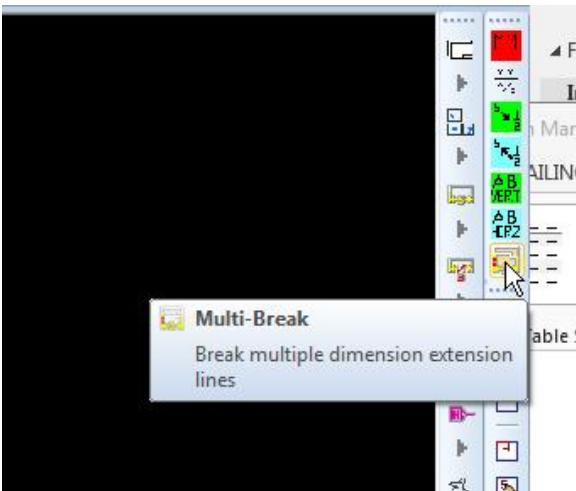


Figure 23-17 The broken line.

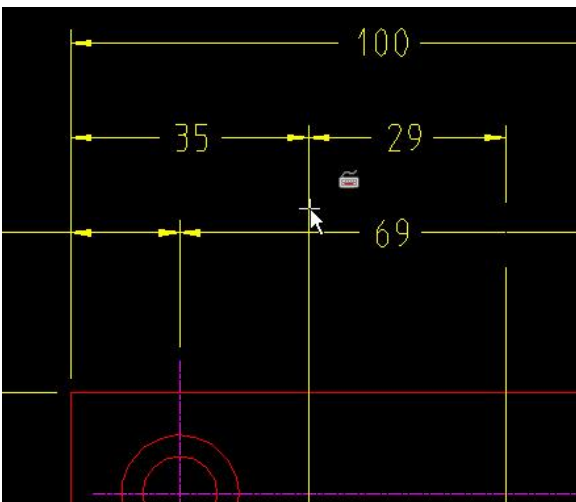
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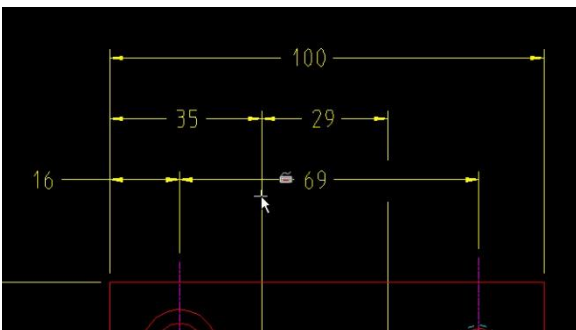
Click on the **Multi Break** command from the **O-I Dimension Modification** toolbar.

Figure 23-18 Multi-Break command.



Click the first point of the break.

Figure 23-19 Click the start of the break.



Click the Second point of the break.

Figure 23-20 Click the end of the break.

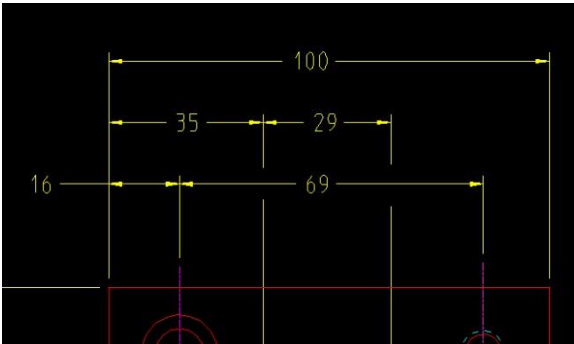


Figure 23-21 Both overlapping lines are broke.

Both overlapping lines are broken simultaneously.

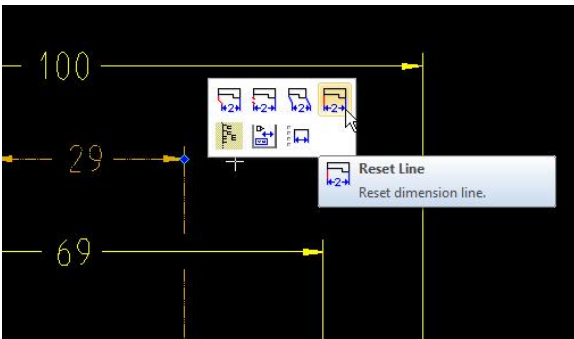


Figure 23-22 Reset Line.

To remove the break:

Click on the dimension.

Select **Reset Line** from the Mini Toolbar.

24 Editing dimensions and Dim Fix Texts.

Never edit the dimension value. Edit only the prefix, postfix, Superfix and Subfix fields. The only allowable time to edit the dimension value is when the dimension is being used in a table. For example if the dimension is labeled “B” and then “B” is defined in a table of dimensions. Use Dim Properties to edit the –Fix texts.

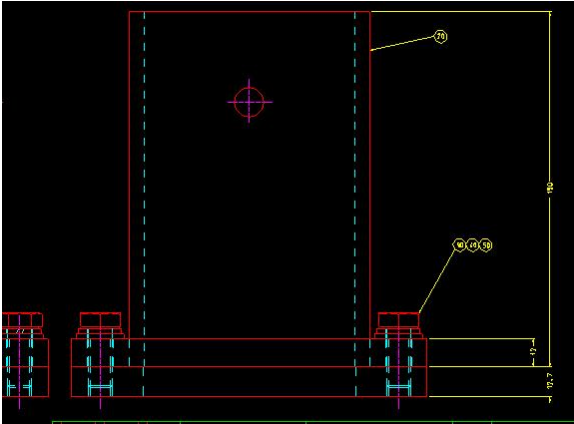
The same symbols used in creating texts can be used in the Fix Texts.

25 Manage Parts.

Too many parts can clutter an assembly and make it hard to see important details. Removing these parts from a view can bring clarity to the view. The parts are not removed from the assembly, they are just not shown in the view. The nice thing is that since these parts are not part of the view, annotation does not have to do any calculations on them to update the view.

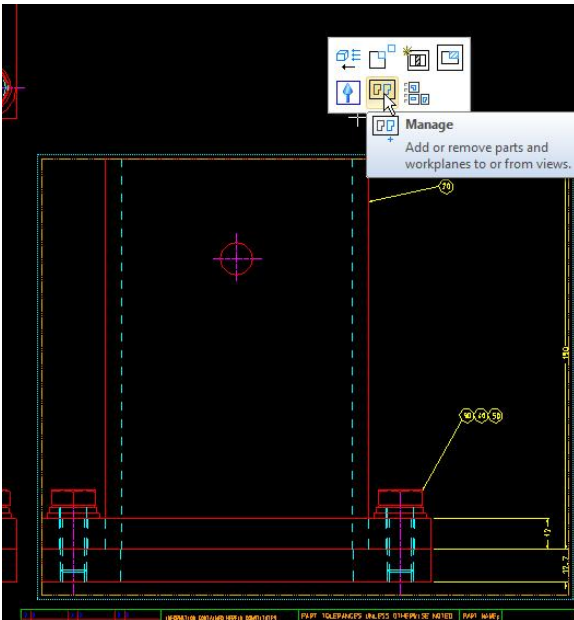
Sometimes, reference parts need to be added to a view to help with assembly or placement on a machine. Manage Parts allows the user to handle both of the situations.

25.1 Remove Parts.



The bolts and the nuts on the left side of this view need to be removed to clarify this view.

Figure 25-1 The bolts and washers on the left side should be removed from the view.



Click on the view.

Select **Manage** from the Mini Toolbar.

Figure 25-2 Click the view and select Manage.

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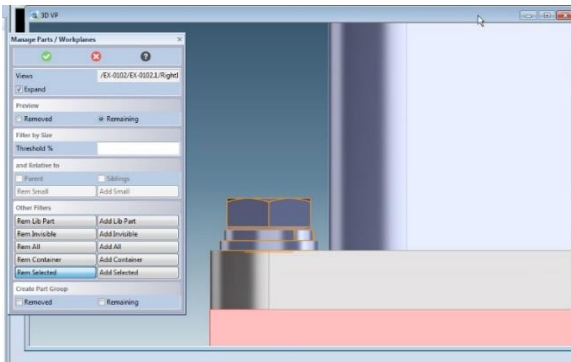


Figure 25-3 It is recommended to always click the Expand button.

An auxiliary 3D Viewport opens.

The Manage Parts/Workplane menu opens.

Expand the entire Dialog box (always do this to show all of the options.)

Select **Rem Selected** (default)

Select the part(s) to be removed.

Click the Green Checkmark.

Update the view.

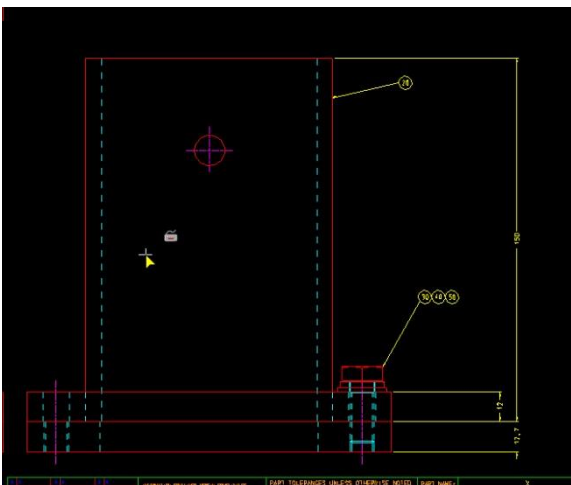


Figure 25-4 Update the view.

25.2 Add Parts.

Manage Parts can also add parts into a view. The parts must be in the assembly, directly under the assembly, in a subassembly, or in a container. The example below is simplified, adding parts from a subassembly or container works the same exact way.

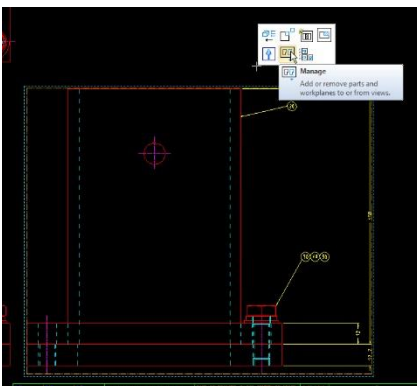


Figure 25-5 Add the fasteners back into this view.

The fasteners are to be added back into this view.

Click the view.

Select **Manage** from the Mini Toolbar.

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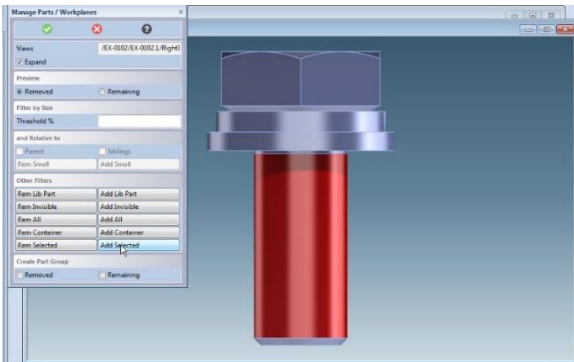


Figure 25-6 Select the items to add.

An auxiliary 3D viewport opens.

The Manage Parts/Workplane menu opens.

Expand the menu.

Click on the **Add Selected** button.

Select the parts to be added into the view.

Click the Green Checkmark.

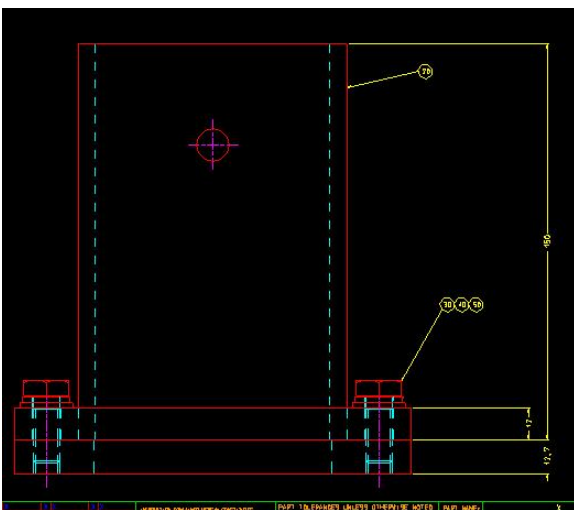


Figure 25-7 Update the view.

Update the view to show the fasteners added back into the view.

26 Using Configurations to Create Views.

Configurations created in 3D can be used to create 2D views. The drawlist saved with a configuration can also be used to determine what parts are seen in a view. This is an efficient way to manage parts in a view. It is the only method available to create exploded 2d views.

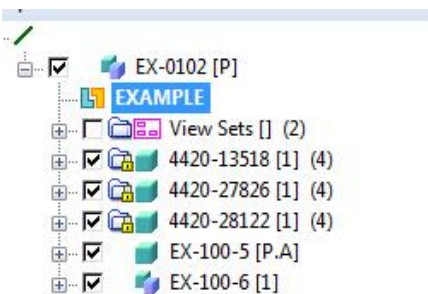
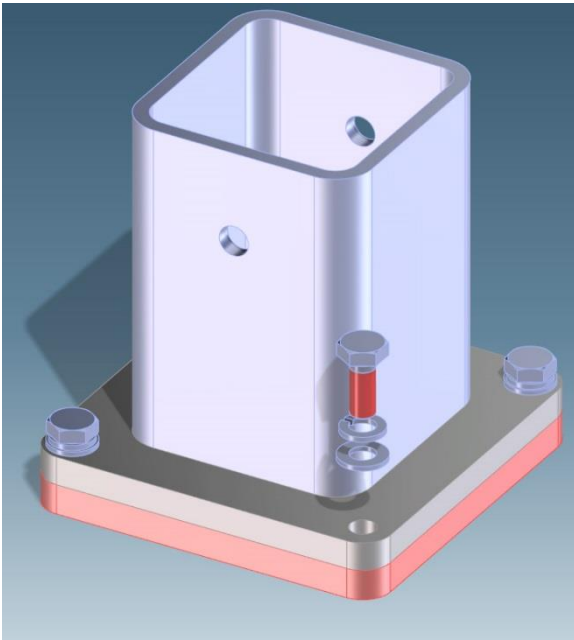


Figure 26-1 The configuration in the assembly.

The EXAMPLE configuration in this assembly will be used to create an isometric view.

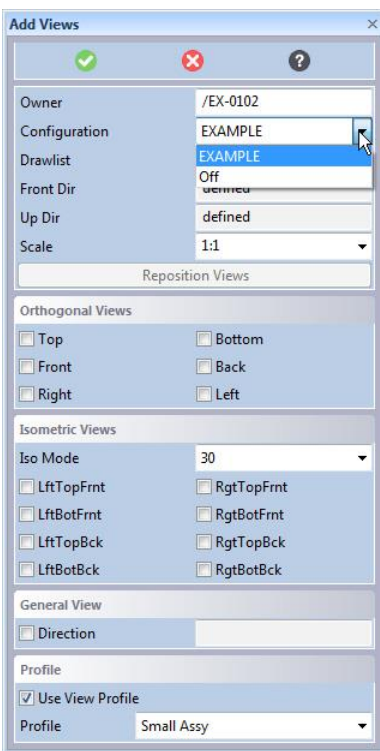
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This is the configuration applied to a model.

Figure 26-2 The configuration applied to the model.



Start by Adding a view to the drawing.

Select the Configuration to be used from the drop down list.

Figure 26-3 Select the configuration to apply to the view.

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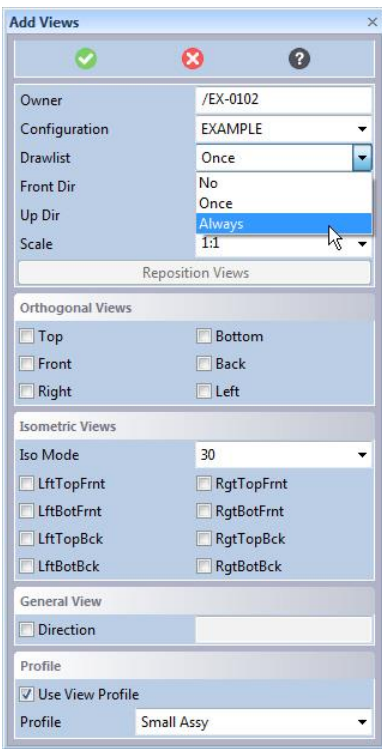


Figure 26-4 Select how the drawlist affects the view.

Determine how the Drawlist will affect the view.

No: The view will show all of the parts in the assembly, even if they are not part of the configuration.

Once: Only the parts in the configuration will be shown in the view. However, parts can be added or removed by **Managing** the view.

Always: Only the parts in the configuration will be shown in the view. Parts **cannot** be added to or removed from the view by **Managing** the view. Changing the configuration will change the view. To add parts or remove parts from the view, the configuration will have to be modified.

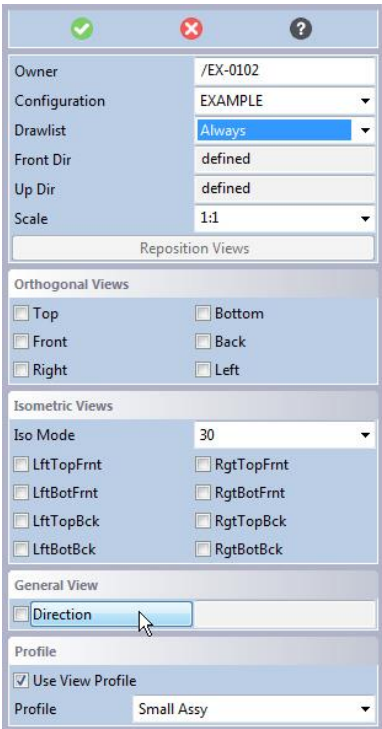


Figure 26-5 Click on direction to create an isometric view.

Click on Direction to create an Isometric view.

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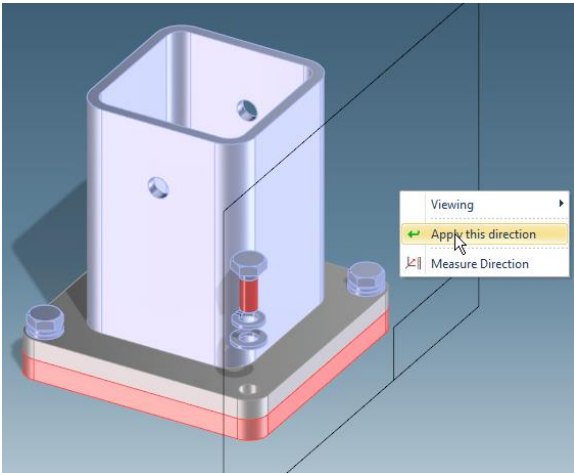


Figure 26-6 Apply the view direction.

Position the assembly as desired.

Right Click and select **Apply this direction**.

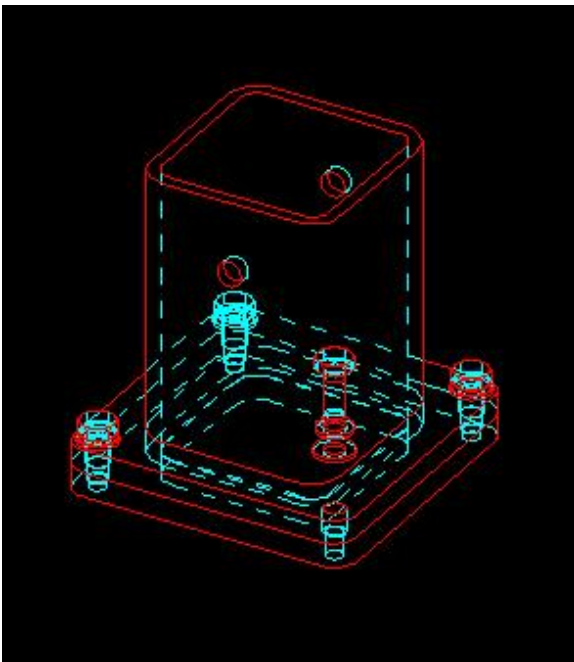


Figure 26-7 Position the view and update.

Position the View and update if required.

27 Shading a view.

Let's take the view created with the configuration and apply shading to it.

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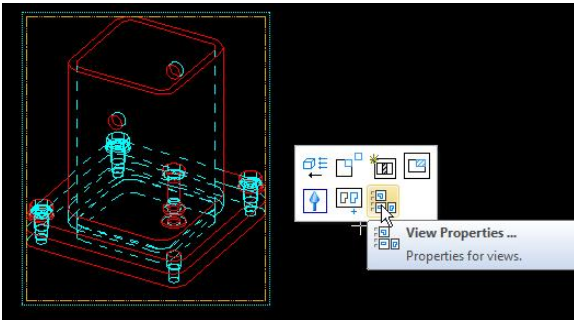


Figure 27-1 Open the View Properties.

Click on a view and select **View Properties** from the Mini Toolbar.

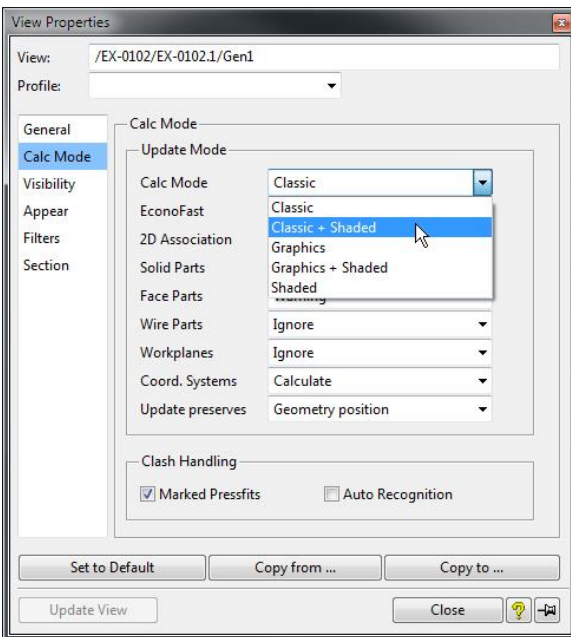
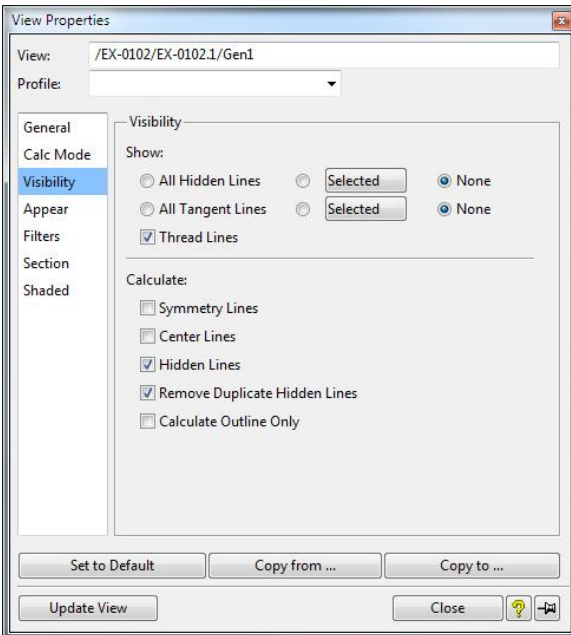


Figure 27-2 Select (current) + Shaded.

Select Shaded from the dropdown menu.

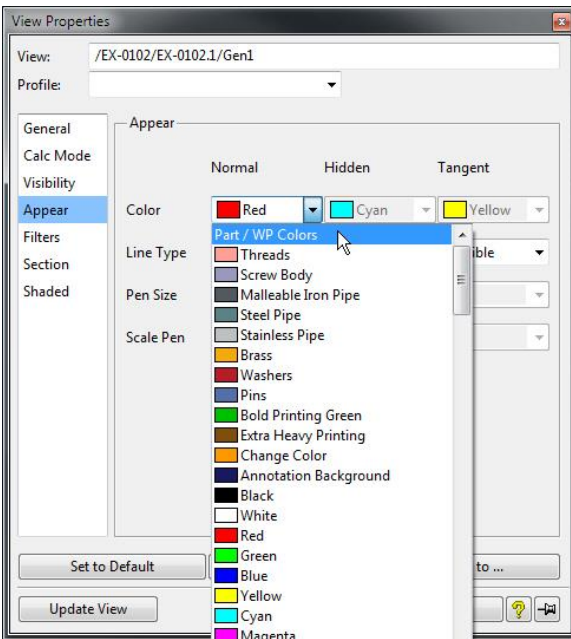
If the view was originally **Graphics**, select **Graphics + Shaded**.

If the view was original **Classic**, select **Classic + Shaded**.



Do not show Hidden lines, Tangent lines, Symmetry Lines or Center lines.

Figure 27-3 Do not show Hidden, Tangent, Symmetry, or Center lines.



Change the **Appearance** of normal lines by changing the **Color** to **Part/WP Colors**.

Figure 27-4 Change the Normal line color to Part/WP Colors.

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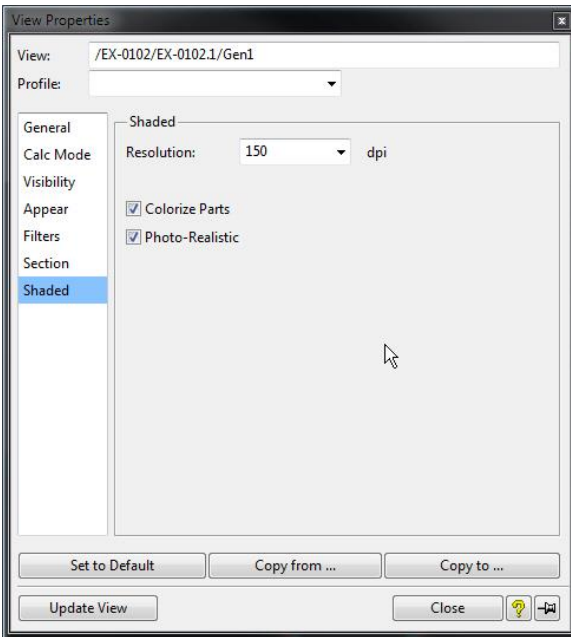


Figure 27-5 Select the desired resolution and options.

Select the colorization option.

Resolution: The higher the resolution the larger the saved size of the drawing. 150 dpi is a good resolution for most parts.

Colorize Parts: The parts in the view will be the same color as the models.

Photo-Realistic: This gives a very nice rendered view with shading and lights.

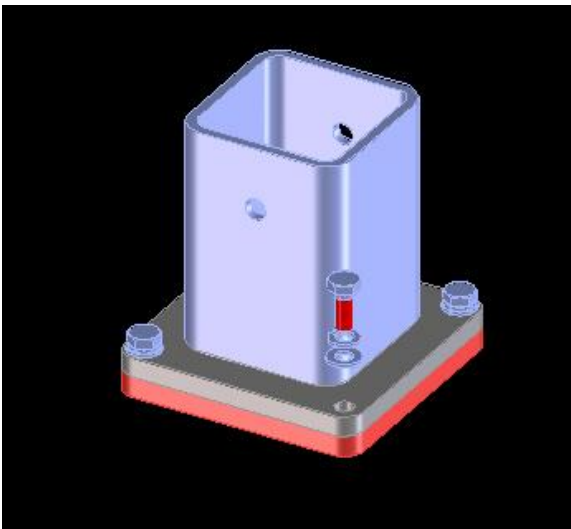


Figure 27-6 Updated Shaded, Colorized, and Photo-Realistic View.

The completed **Shaded** and **Photo-Realistic** view.

The view is actually an image with geometry that can have notes and balloons attached to them.

The edges are slightly jagged when view, but print nicely. The jagged lines can be reduced by increasing the resolution. However, this comes at a price of a large file size.

28 Change Part Color.i

Use the Part Color command from the O-I Toolbox. This command replaces the difficult to use built in Part/Workplane Geometry Styles. This allows the color and linetype of part(s) in annotation to be changed. For example, this would be used if a part is strictly for reference, the linetype would be changed to phantom and the color to green.

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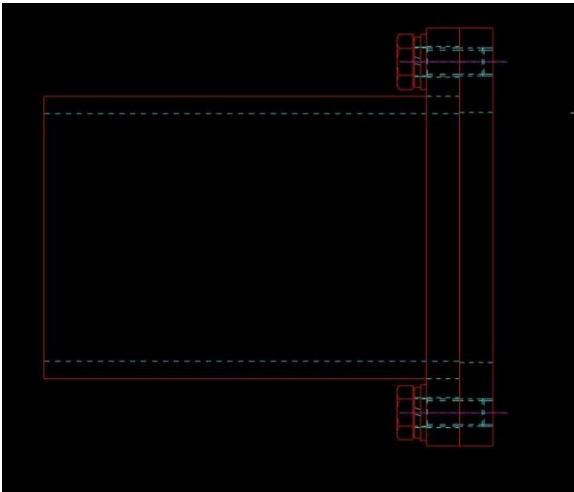


Figure 28-1 assembly with reference parts.

This assembly has several parts that are for reference. The reference parts are not part of the bill of material but are important in this view to show how the assembly mates to the reference parts.

O-I standards dictate that these reference parts should be phantom. The line color should be green to plot with the proper lineweight.

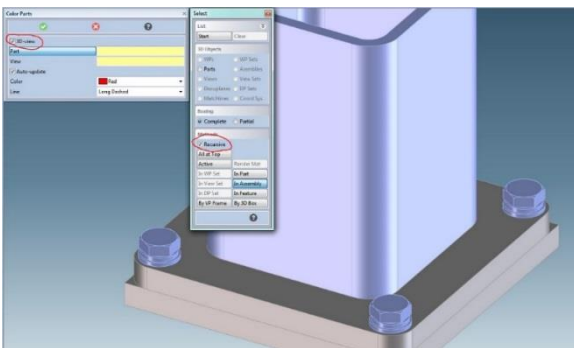


Figure 28-2 Select the parts that will be revised in annotation.

Start the **Part Color** command from the **O-I Toolbox Tab** on the **Ribbon Menu**.

To show the 3D model, click the **3D-View** radio button.

Notice that the Select automatically has the **Recursive** radio button selected. With this selected, clicking a single part will automatically select the entire parent assembly. To select single parts un-check the **Recursive** radio button.

Select the parts that will be revised in annotation. Click Start on the select list to make a list of parts.

Click the center mouse button when complete.

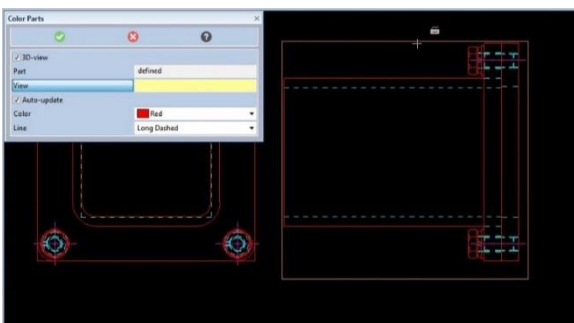


Figure 28-3 Select the view to revise.

Select the view(s) to be revised.

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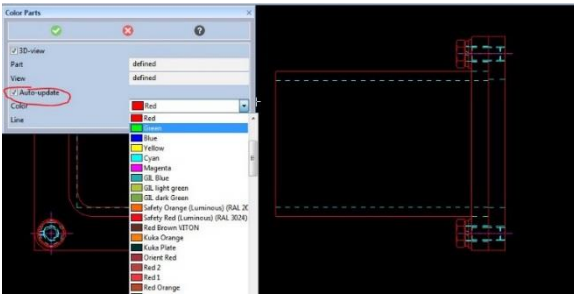


Figure 28-4 Select the color

Select the color of the revised parts.

Notice that the **Auto-update** radio button is checked. This will force an update of the view when the Green Checkmark is clicked.

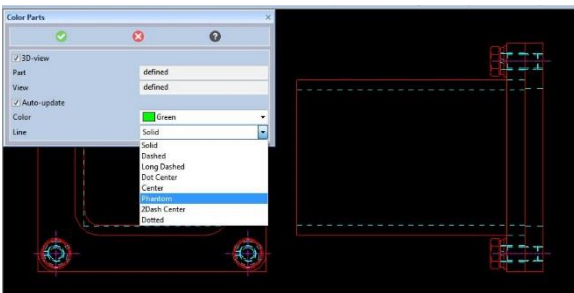


Figure 28-5 Select the linetype.

Select the linetype.

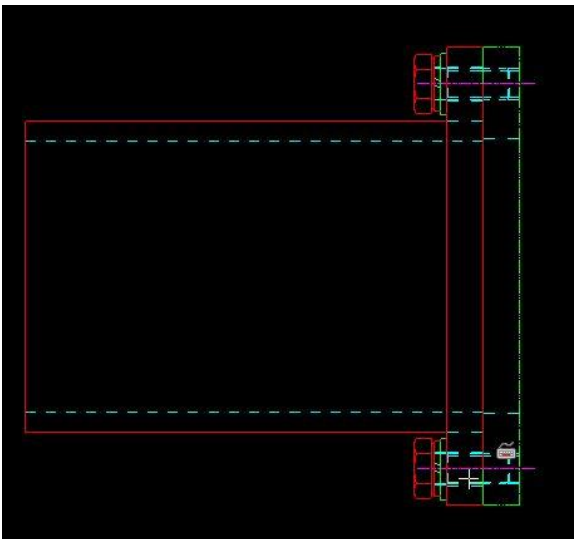


Figure 28-6 Click The Green Checkmark.

Click the Green Checkmark.

29 Improving Update Performance.

Large drawings can take a very long time to update the views. This chapter gives tips and trick on improving the time it takes for these view to update.

29.1 Remove Invisible.

Annotation will calculate each part in an assembly in order to update a view, even if those parts are not visible in a view. The update time for a view can be improved if these invisible parts are removed.

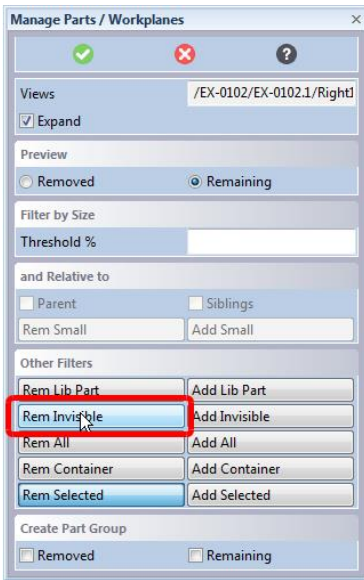


Figure 29-1 Remove Invisible parts.

Manage the parts in a view, expand the Manage Parts menu and click the Rem Invisible button. Click the Green Checkmark. [SEE CHAPTER 24](#)

[EDITING DIMENSIONS](#) and Dim Fix Texts.

Never edit the dimension value. Edit only the prefix, postfix, Superfix and Subfix fields. The only allowable time to edit the dimension value is when the dimension is being used in a table. For example if the dimension is labeled “B” and then “B” is defined in a table of dimensions. Use Dim Properties to edit the –Fix texts.

The same symbols used in creating texts can be used in the Fix Texts.

Manage Parts.

The second option is to click the **Rem. Inv. Parts** button in the **O-I Toolbox** tab on the **Ribbon Menu** and click the view(s).

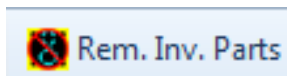


Figure 29-2 O-I Toolbox button

29.2 Calc Mode.

Calc Mode settings play a large role in the speed of an update. Making sure that view profiles is checked when creating a view. It will automatically pick the optimal Calc Mode. These settings can always be over-ridden by the user.

Large assemblies are those that have over 100 parts, or parts with complex splines.

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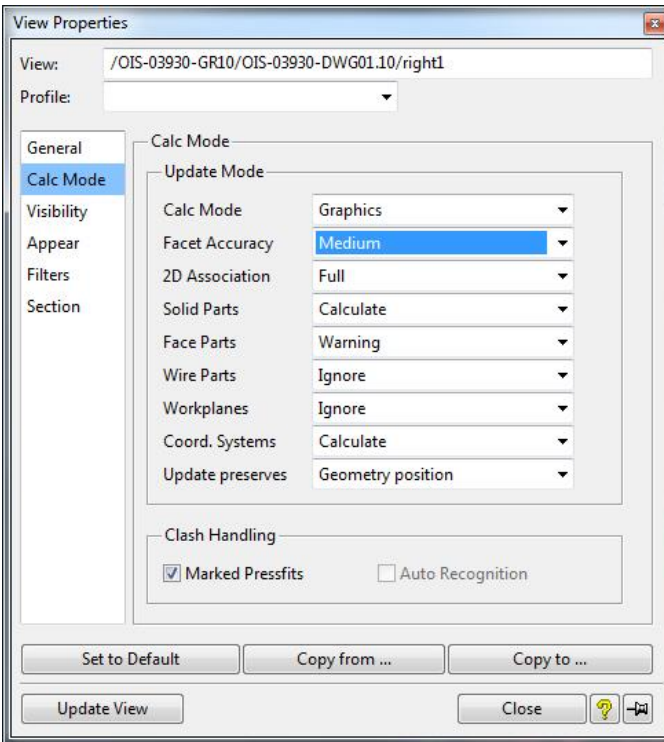


Figure 29-3 View Properties Calc Mode.

Calc Mode:

Classic: Small Assemblies
Graphics: Large Assemblies

Econofast mode: Always on unless it causes an update error.

Facet Accuracy:

Low: Large assemblies
Medium: Small assemblies
High: Assemblies of 50 parts or less.

2D Association:

Full: Small assemblies
Limited: Large assemblies. (This keeps annotation from updating parts of a view that did not change.)

30 Appendix.

30.1 Fixing the View Reference Points.

Sometimes views are created with the reference point of the view off in space. This makes the views very difficult to line up. There is a tool in the Toolbox Dropdown Menu to fix this.

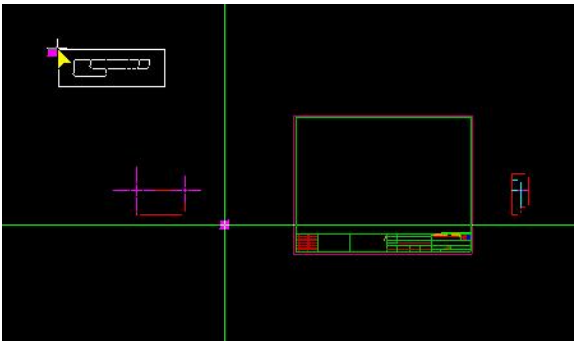


Figure 30-1 The view reference point (cross hairs and purple dot) are not on the view.

The top view's reference point is not located in the center of the view. The reference point is the purple dot on the green crosshairs.

This makes this view difficult to line up with other views.

There is a tool to fix this.



Figure 30-2 Toolbox Dropdown Menu.

Open the **Toolbox Dropdown Menu**.

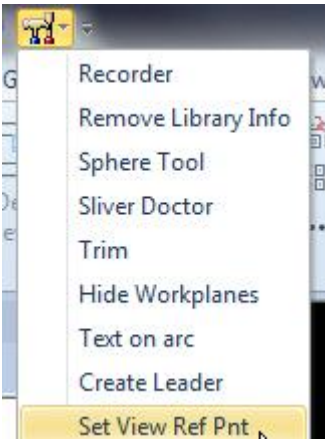


Figure 30-3 Start the Set View Ref Pnt. command.

Start the **Set View Ref Pnt** command.

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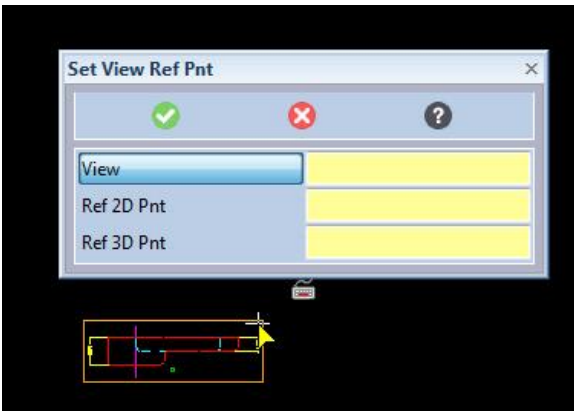


Figure 30-4 Select the view to fix.

Select a view to fix.

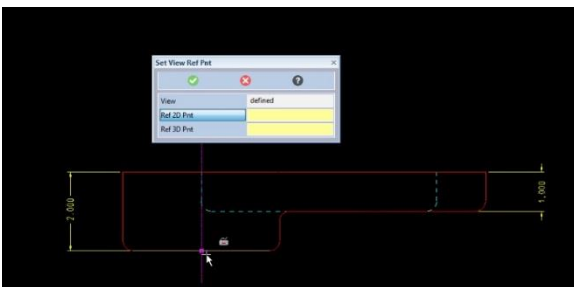


Figure 30-5 Select a point on the view.

Select a new reference point. Pick a point that can be easily found on the 3D geometry.

For this example, the center of the boss was selected, since this is an easy point to pick on the drawing and the model.

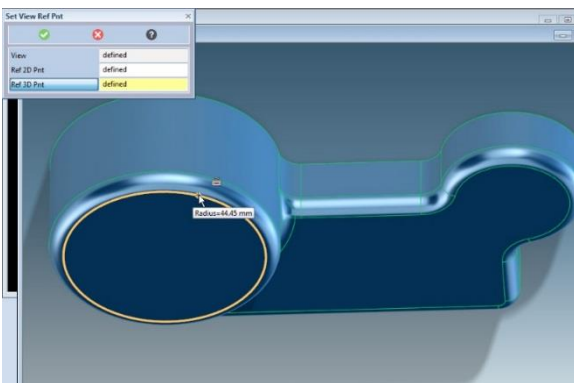


Figure 30-6 Select the same point on the 3D model.

An Auxiliary 3D viewport opens.

Select the reference point on the 3D model.

Click the Green Checkmark.

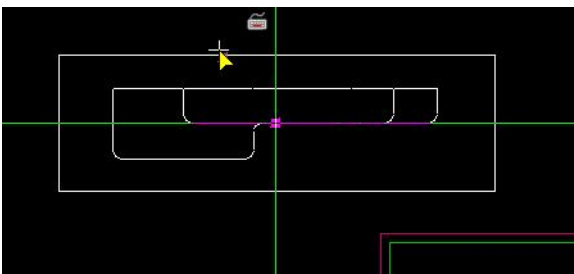


Figure 30-7 The View reference point is fixed.

The reference point for the view is now corrected for this view.

These steps must be repeated for each view on the drawing.

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