
DEFINITION

Dimensioning is the process of specifying part's information by using of **figures, symbols** and **notes**.

This information are such as:

1. Sizes and locations of features
 2. Number required
 3. Size and geometric tolerances
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DIMENSIONING COMPONENTS

■ Extension lines

■ Dimension lines
(*with arrowheads*)



Drawn with
4H pencil

■ Leader lines

■ Dimension figures

■ Notes :

- *local note*

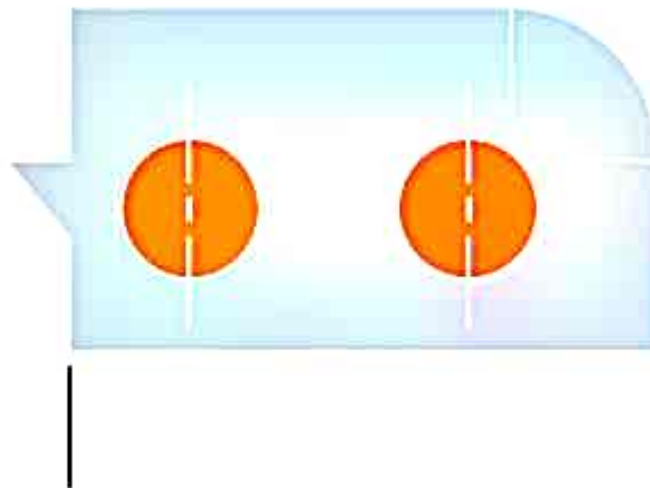
- *general note*



Lettered with
2H pencil.

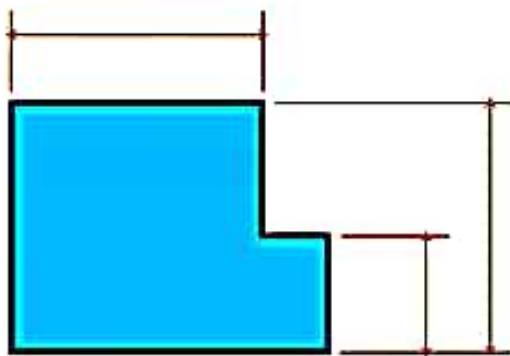
EXTENSION LINES

It indicate the location on the object's features that are dimensioned.

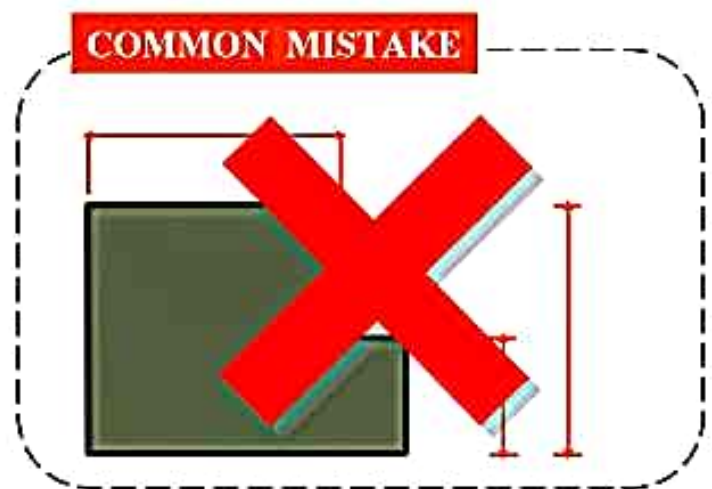


EXTENSION LINES

- Leave a **visible gap** (≈ 1 mm) from a view and start drawing an extension line.
- Extend the lines beyond the (last) dimension line 1-2 mm.

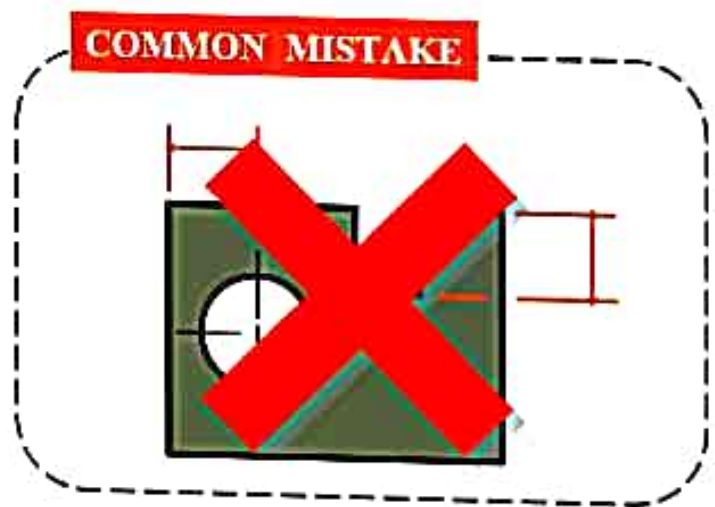
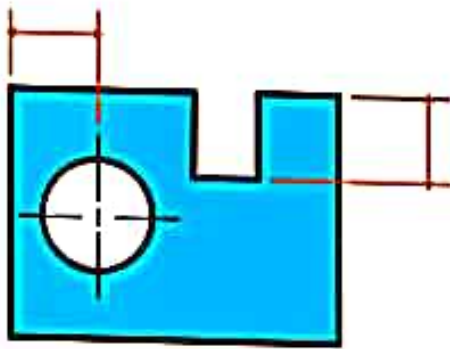


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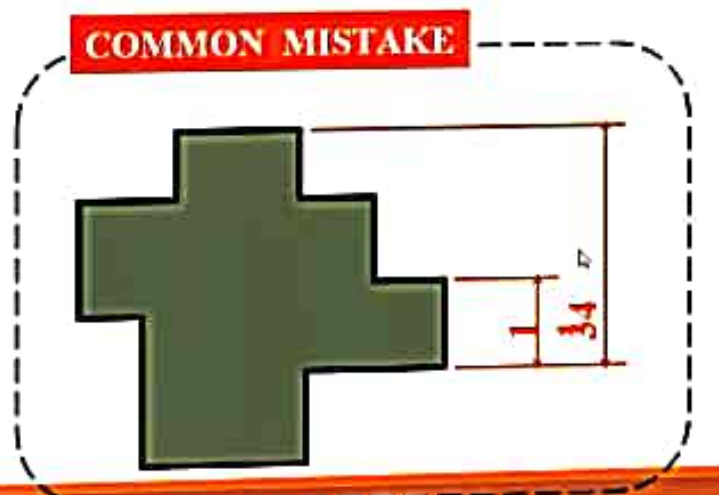
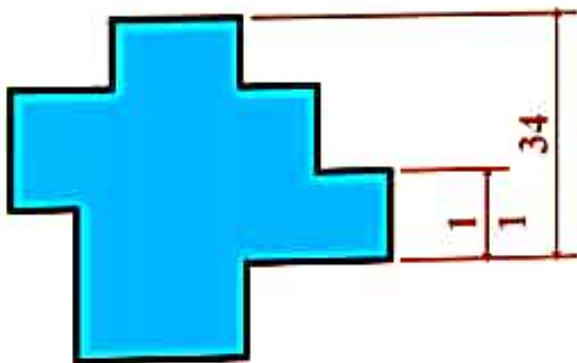
EXTENSION LINES

- Do not break the lines as they cross object lines.



DIMENSION FIGURES

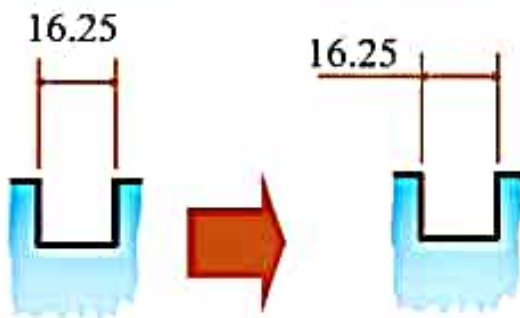
- The height of figures is suggested to be 2.5~3 mm.
- Place the numbers at about 1 mm *above dimension line* and *between extension lines*.



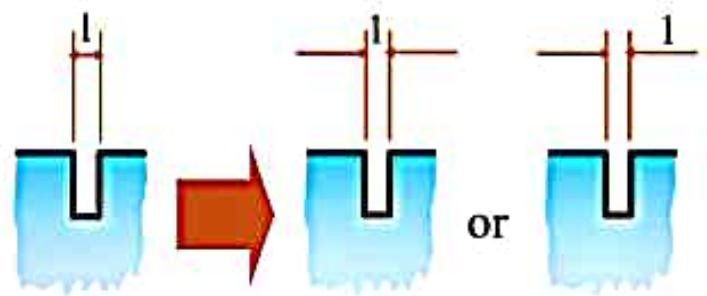
DIMENSION FIGURES

- When there is **not** enough space for figure or arrows, put it **outside** either of the extension lines.

Not enough space
for *figures*



Not enough space
for *arrows*



DIMENSION FIGURES : UNITS

The ISO standards adopt the unit of

- **Length dimension in millimeters without specifying a unit symbol "mm".**
- **Angular dimension in degree with a symbol "°" place behind the figures (and if necessary minutes and seconds may be used together).**

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DIMENSION FIGURES : ORIENTATION

1. Aligned method

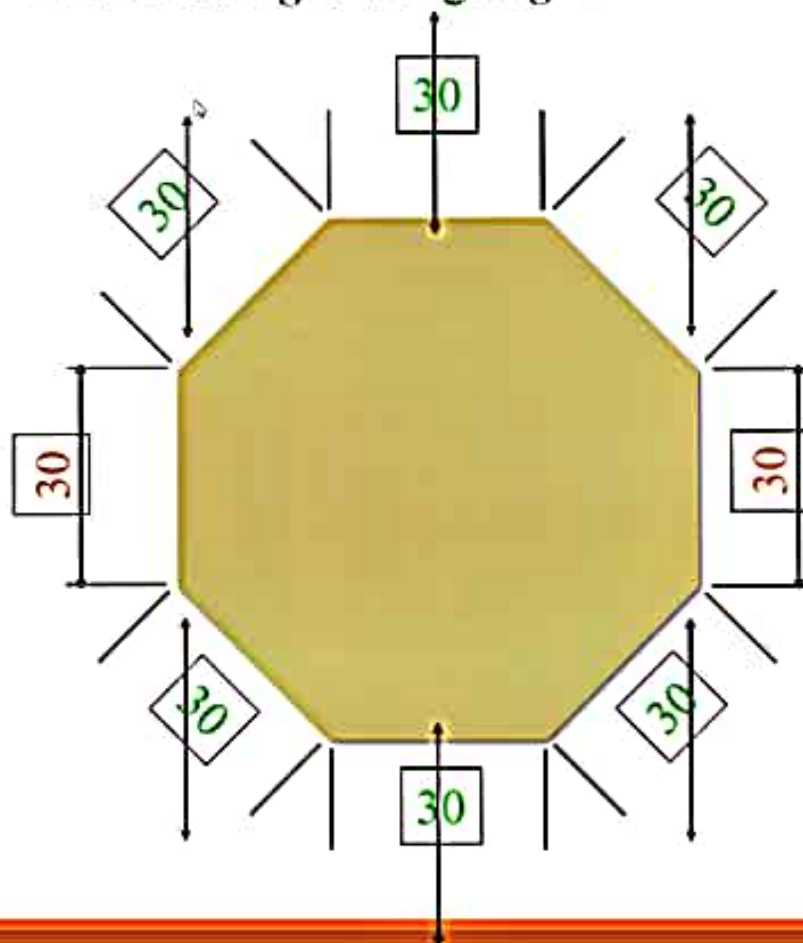
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2. Unidirectional method

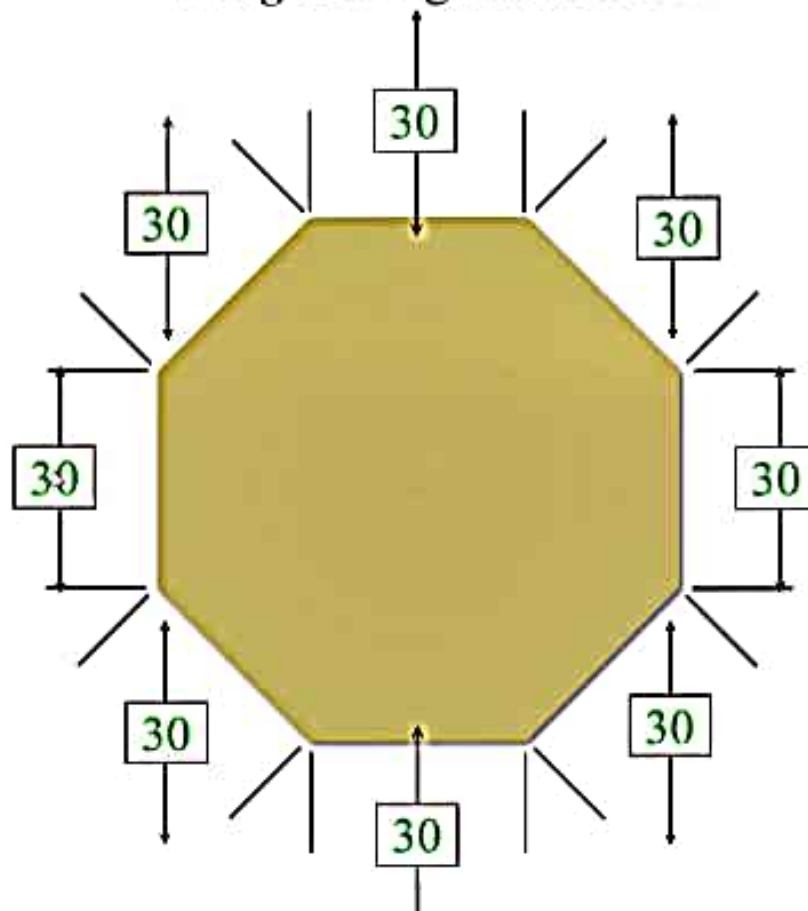
The dimension figures are placed so that they can be read from the **bottom** of the drawing.

Do not use both system on the same drawing or on the same series of drawing
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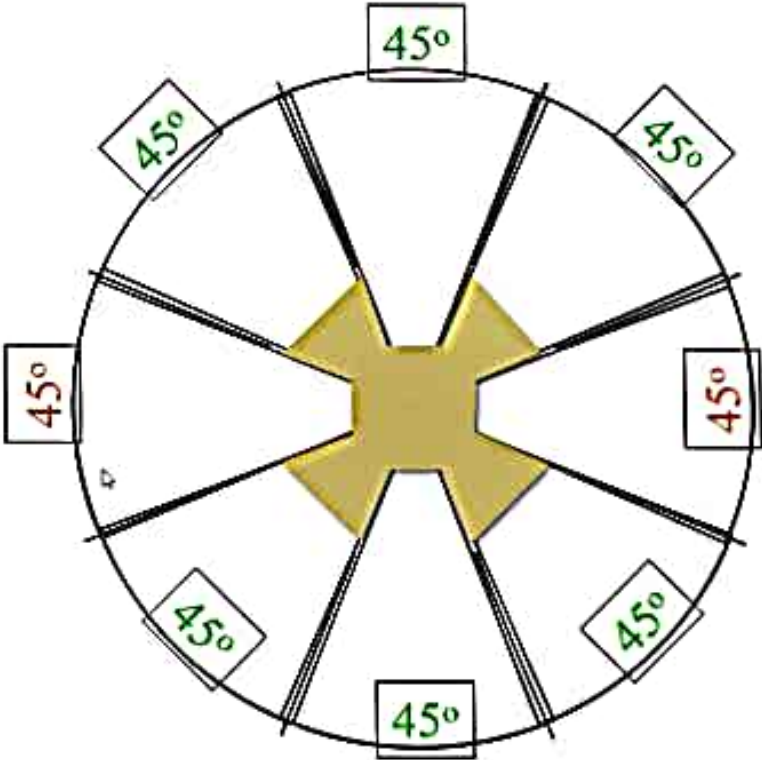
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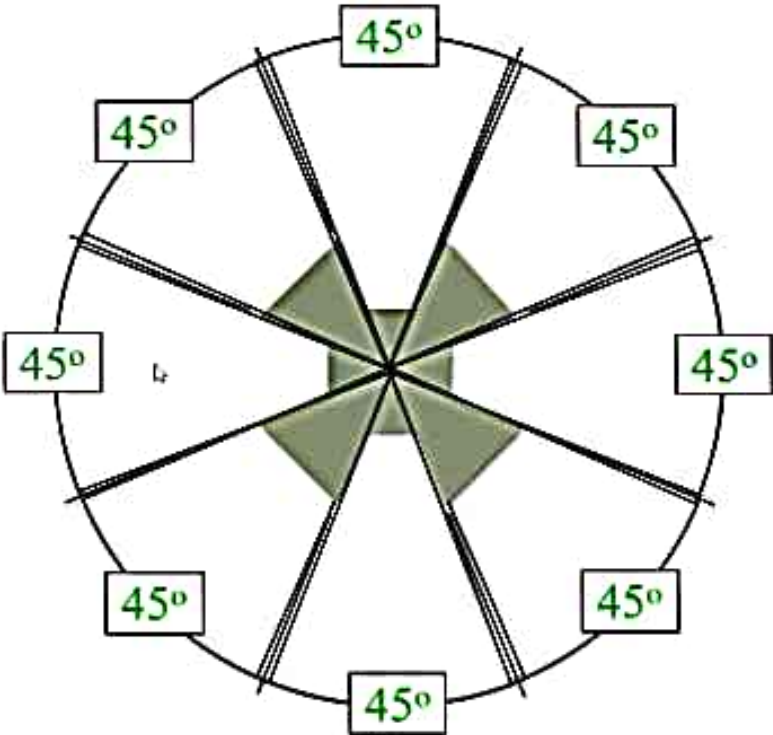
EXAMPLE : Dimension of *length* using *unidirectional* method.



EXAMPLE : Dimension of *angle* using *aligned* method.



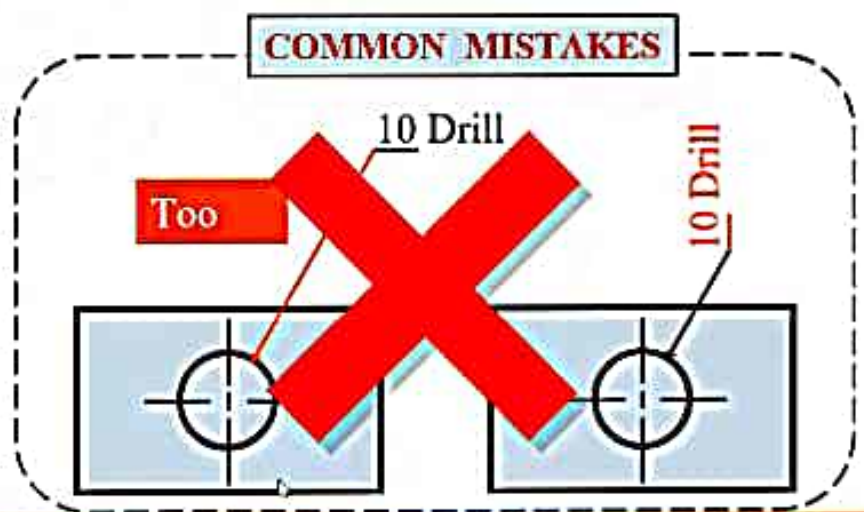
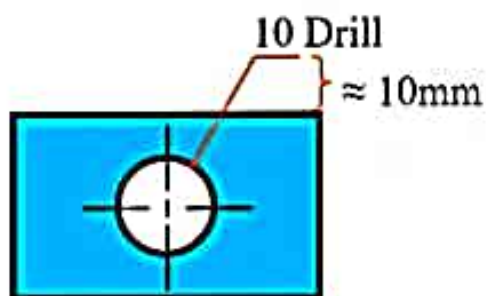
EXAMPLE : Dimension of *angle* using *unidirectional* method.



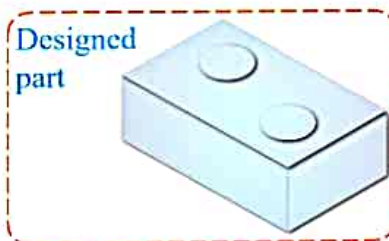
LOCAL NOTES

Place the notes near to the feature which they apply, and should be placed outside the view.

Always read horizontally.

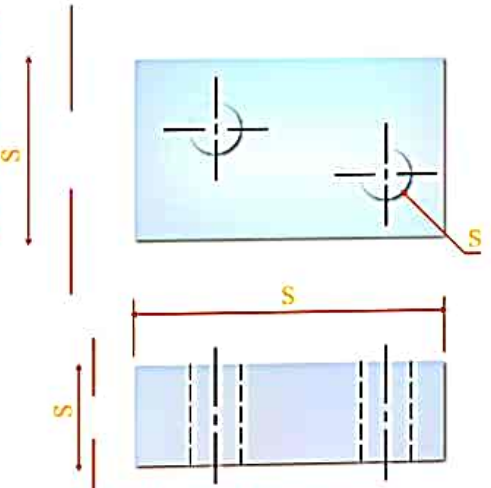


EXAMPLE



To manufacture this part we need to know...

1. Width, depth and thickness of the part.
2. Diameter and depth of the hole.
3. Location of the holes.

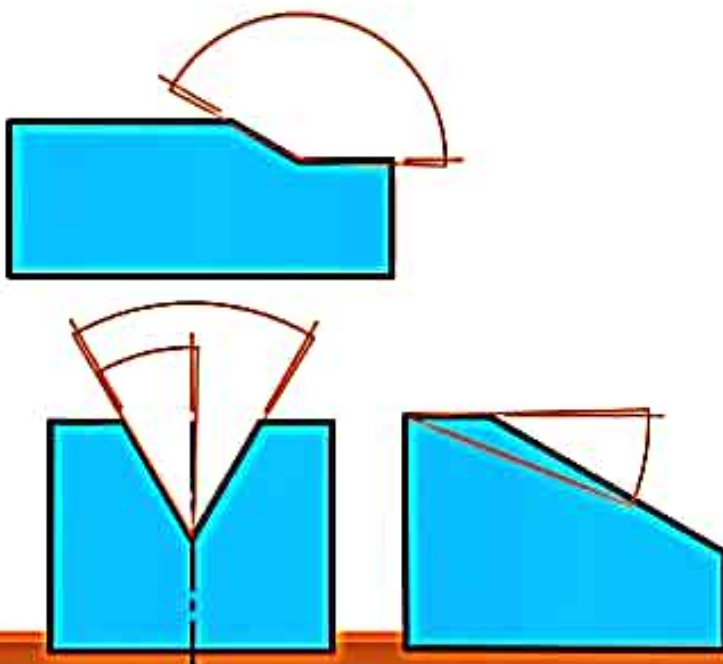


"S" denotes size dimension.

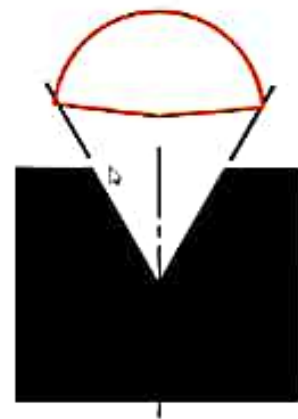
"L" denotes location dimension.

ANGLE

To dimension an angle use **circular dimension line** having the center at the vertex of the angle.

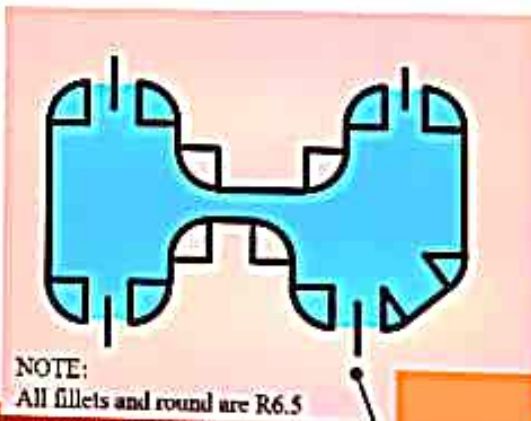


COMMON MISTAKE



FILLETS AND ROUNDS

- Give the radius of a typical fillet only by using a *local* note.
- If all fillets and rounds are uniform in size, dimension may be omitted, but it is necessary to add the note "All fillets and round are Rxx. "

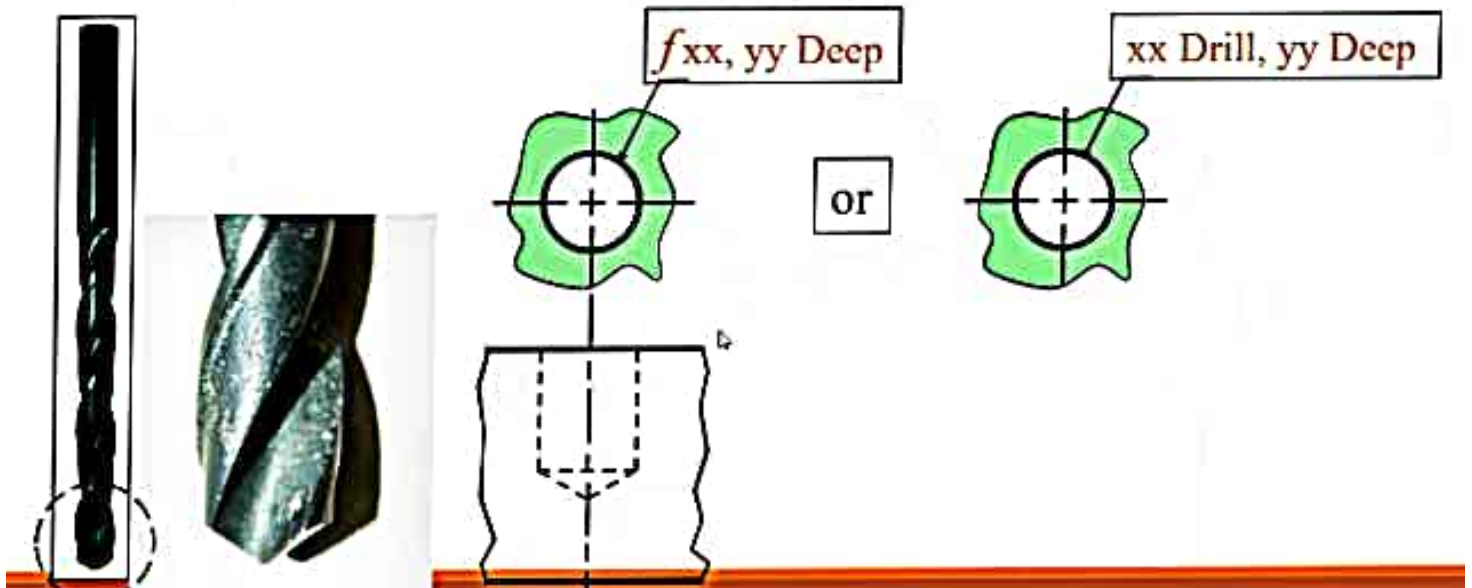


HOLES : SMALL SIZE



Use leader line and local note to specify **diameter** and **hole's depth** in the circular view.

2) Blind hole

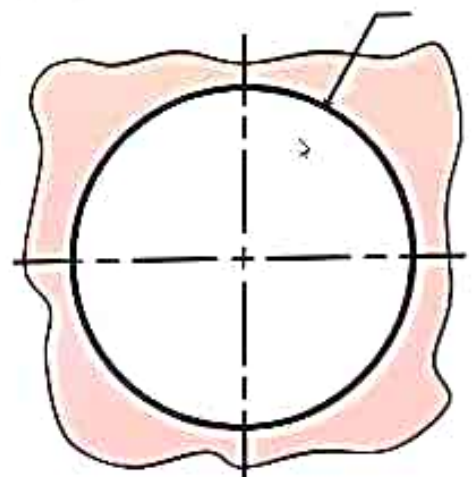
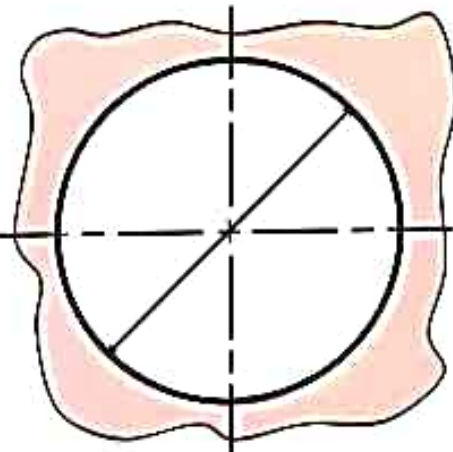
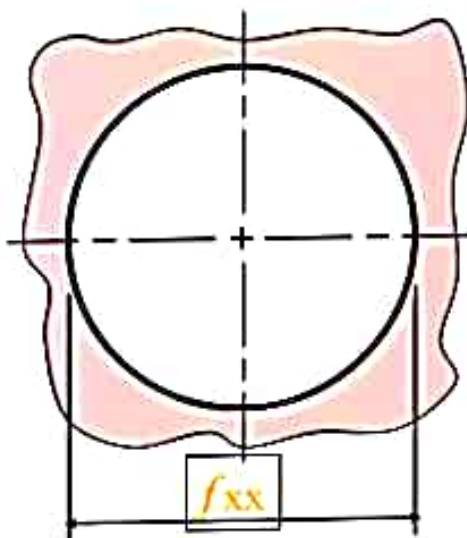


HOLES : LARGE SIZE

Use extension and
dimension lines

Use diametral
dimension line

Use leader line and
note

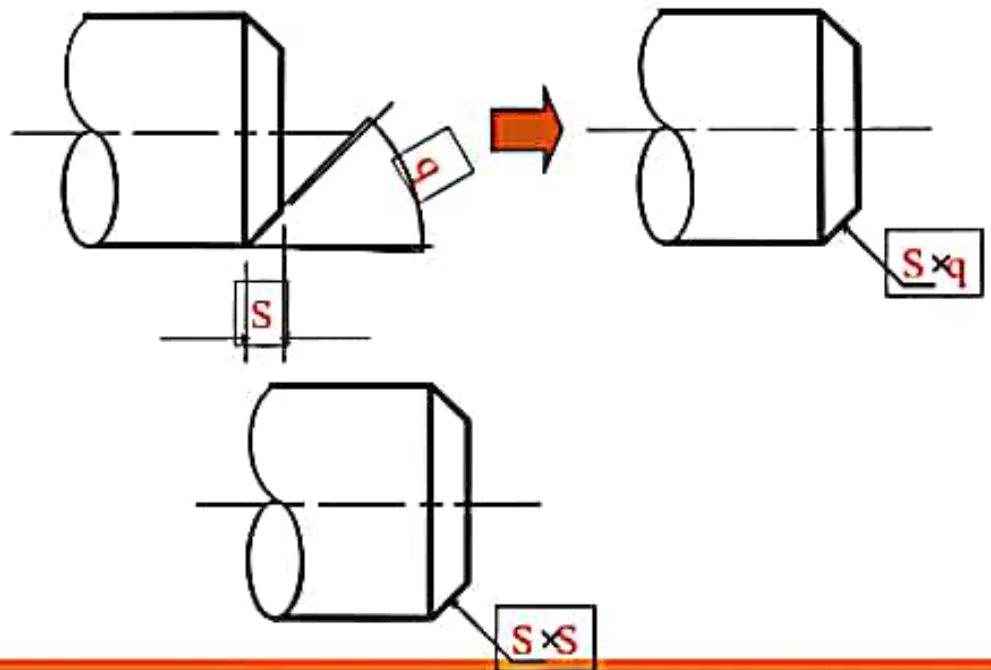


CHAMFER


- Use leader line and note to indicate **linear distance** and **angle** of the chamfer.

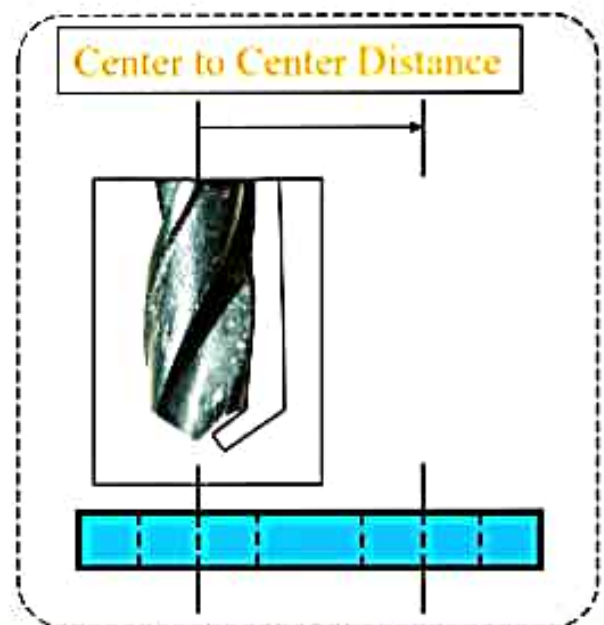
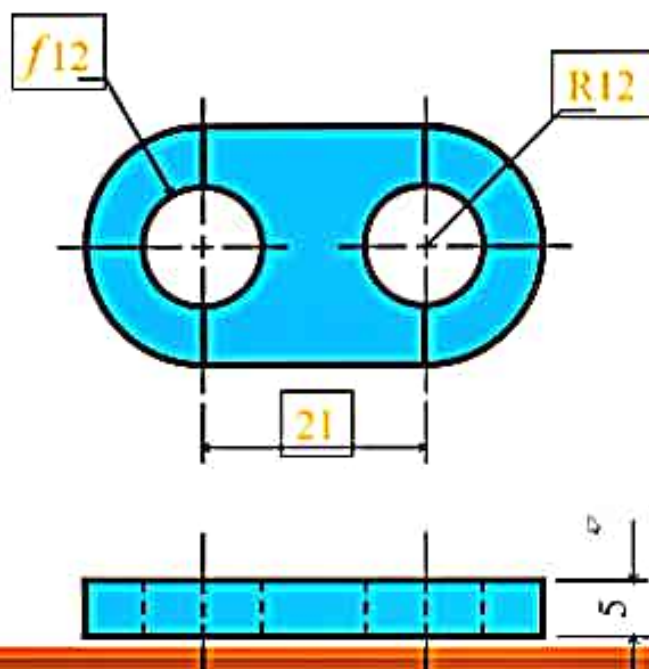


For a 45° chamfer



ROUNDED-END SHAPES

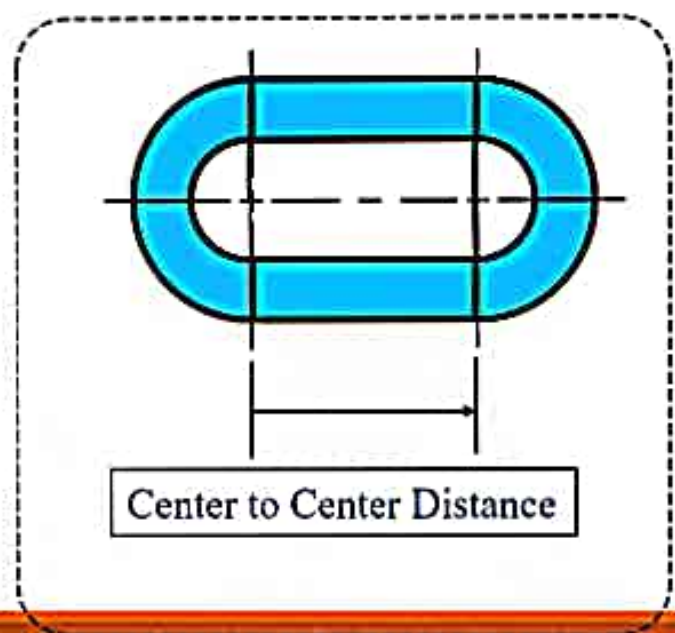
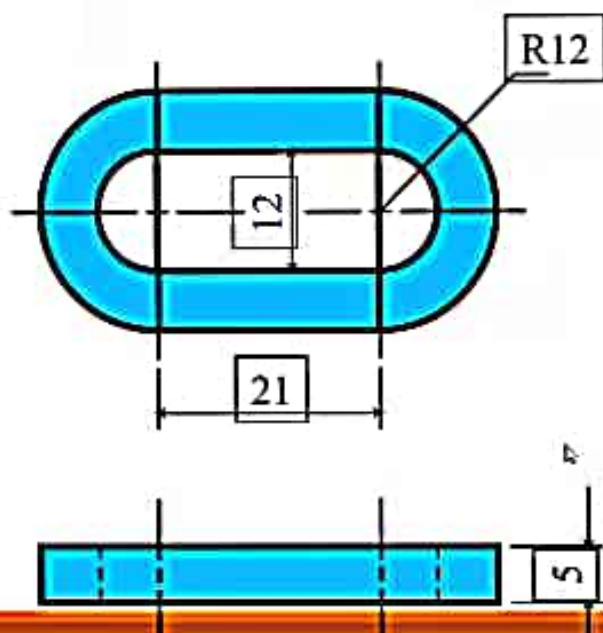
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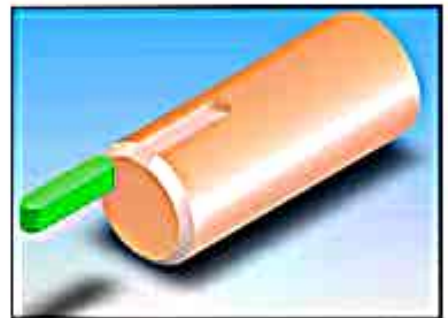
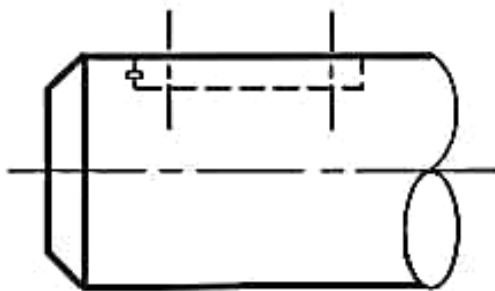
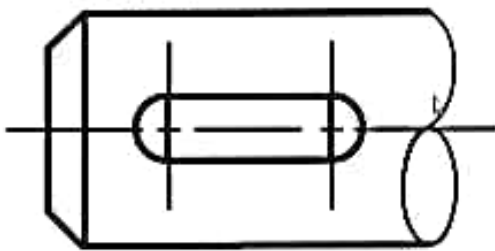


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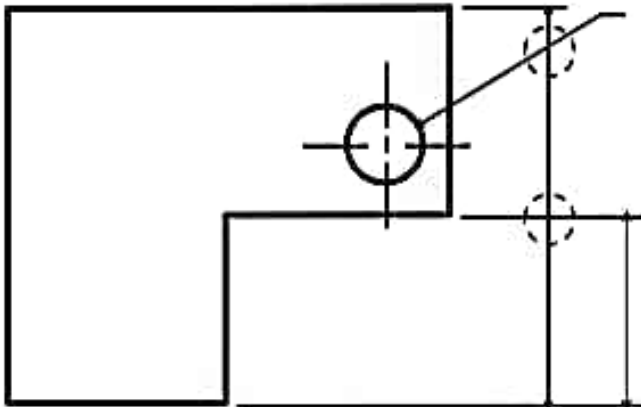
- Dimensioned according to the **standard sizes** of another part to be assembled or manufacturing method used.



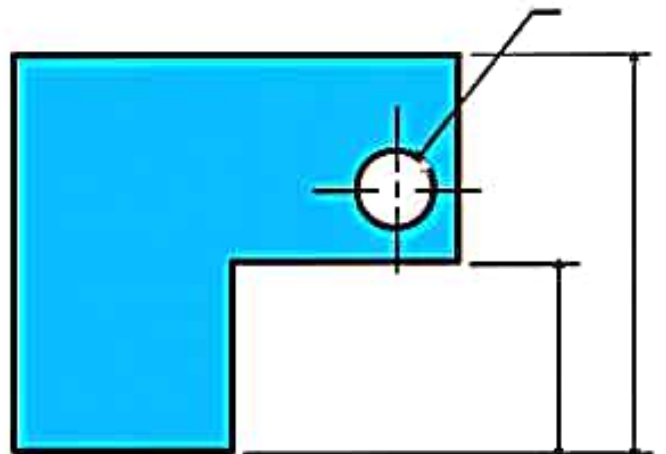
RECOMMENDED PRACTICE

1. Dimension lines, leader lines **should not** cross dimension lines.
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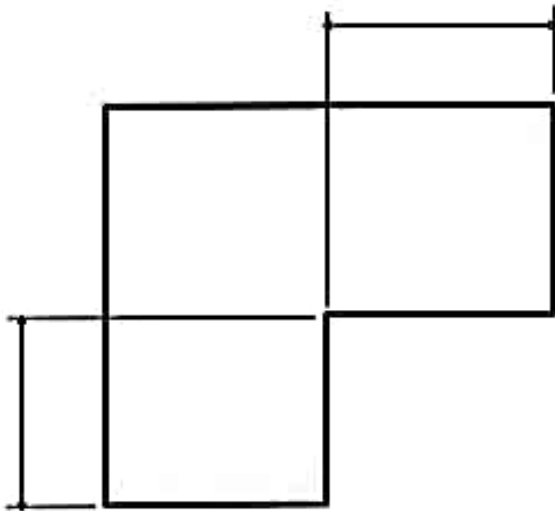
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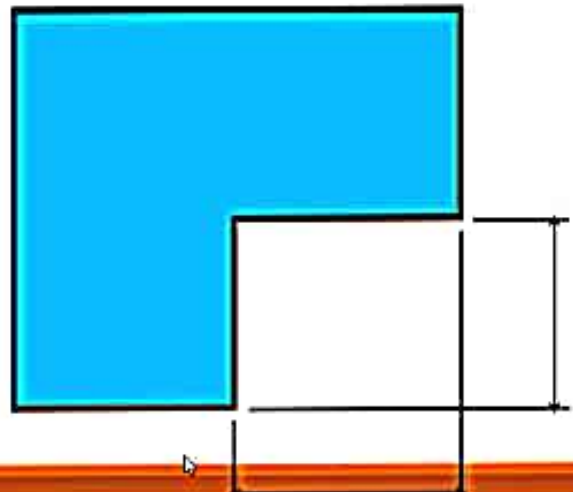
RECOMMENDED PRACTICE

2. Extension lines **should** be drawn from the nearest points to be dimensioned.
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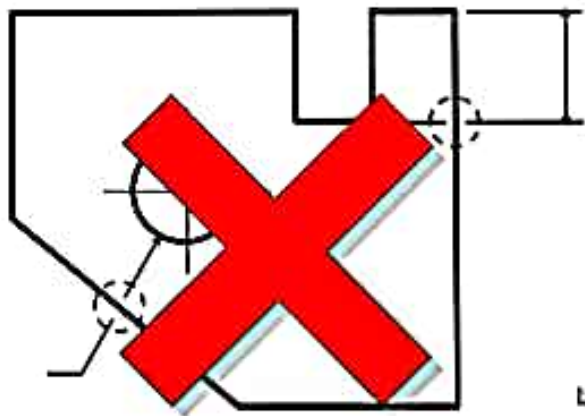
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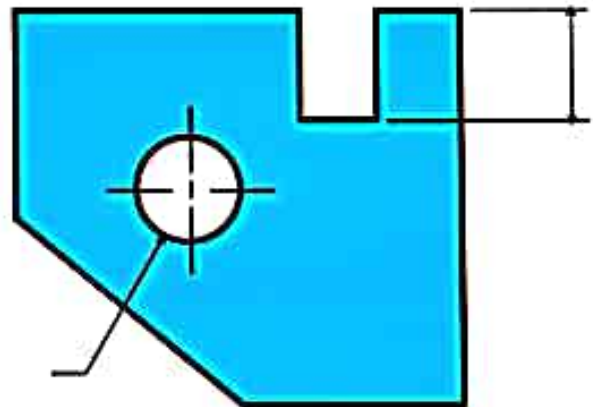
RECOMMENDED PRACTICE

3. Extension lines of internal feature **can** cross visible lines without leaving a gap at the intersection point.
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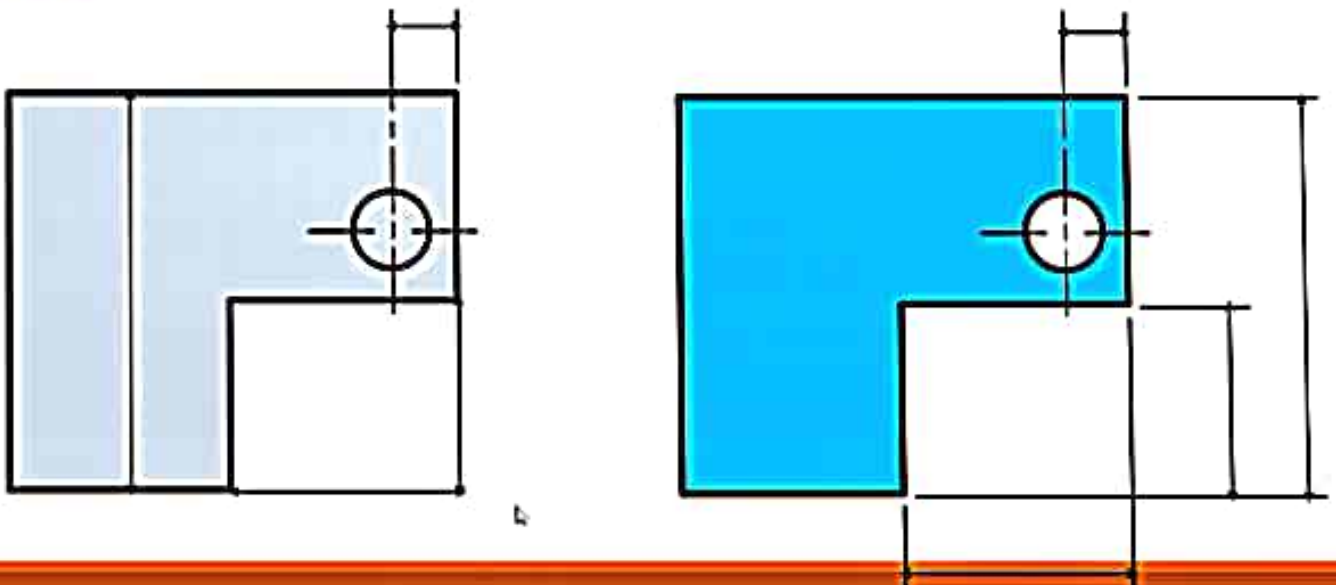
CORRECT



RECOMMENDED PRACTICE

4. **Do not** use object line, center line, and dimension line as an extension lines.
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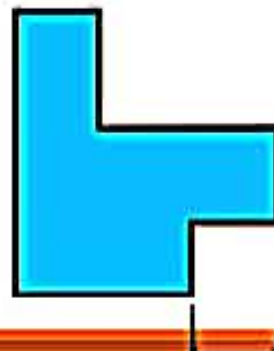
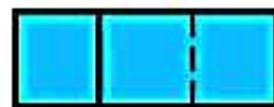
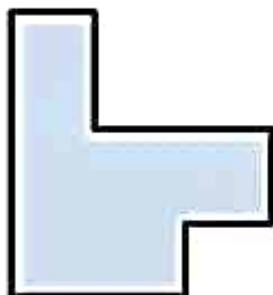
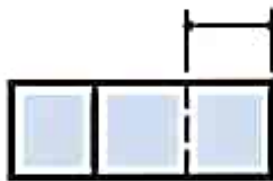
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RECOMMENDED PRACTICE

5. Avoid dimensioning hidden lines.

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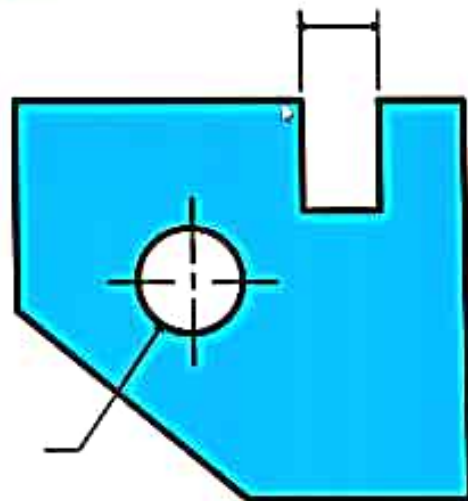
RECOMMENDED PRACTICE

6. Place dimensions **outside** the view, unless placing them inside improve the clarity.
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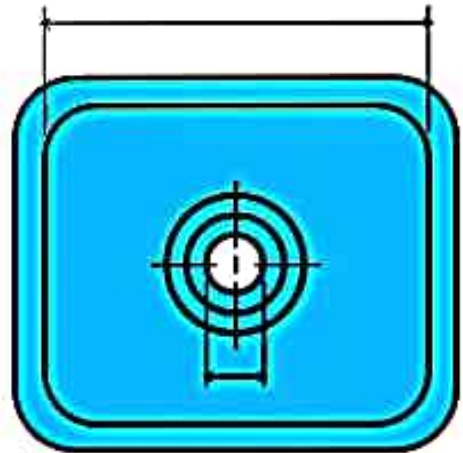
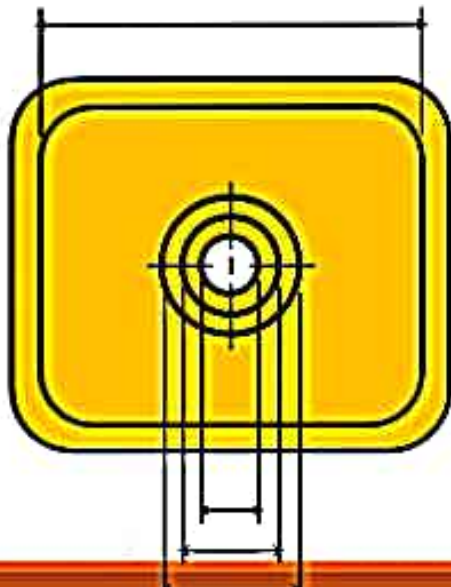
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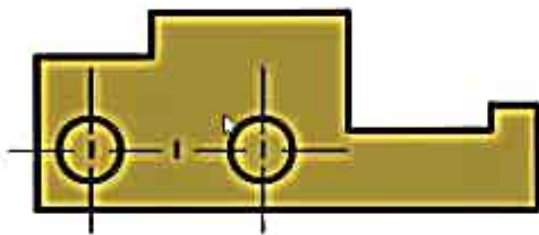
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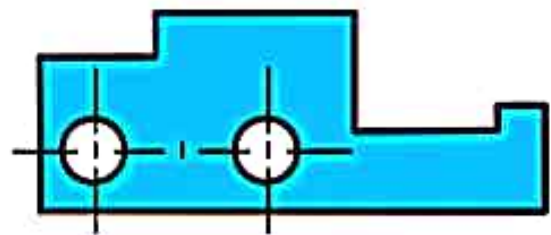
RECOMMENDED PRACTICE

7. Dimension lines should be lined up and grouped together as much as possible.
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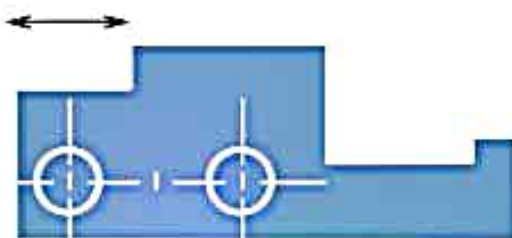
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RECOMMENDED PRACTICE

8. **Do not** repeat a dimension.

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