AutoCAD

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Plan

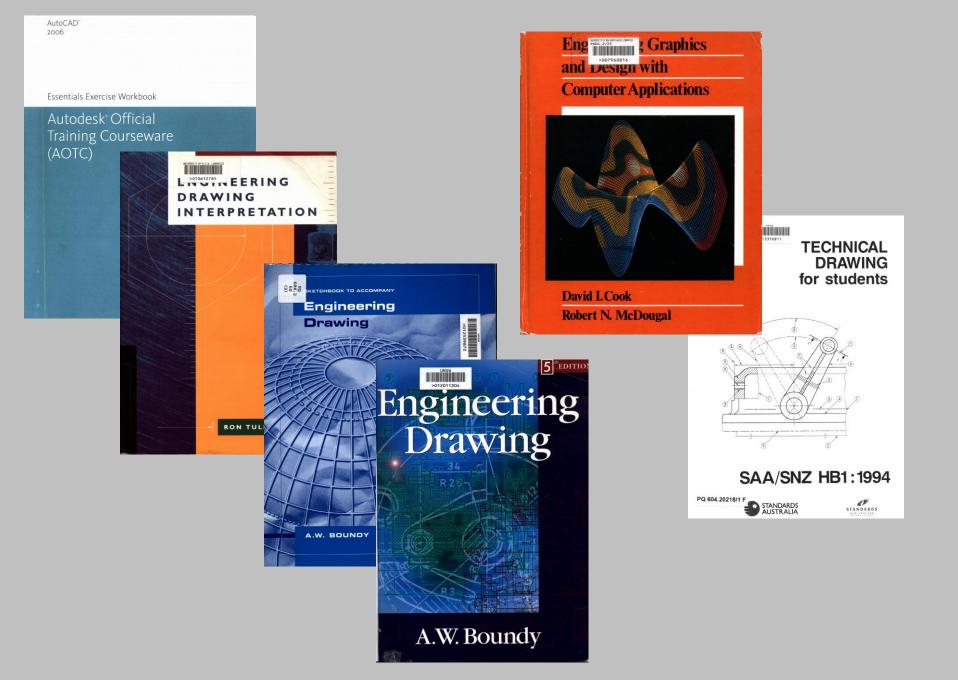
- Lecture 1 Importance, basics
 - Hands on tasks: Navigation of AutoCAD, changing drawing, drawing basic shapes
- Lecture 2 Strategies for methodical construction of engineering drawings, useful CAD commands, Australian standards
 - Hands on tasks: Use object snaps and object tracks and use of tools such as Trim, Extend and Offset
- Lecture 3 Drawing sections, dimension styles and printing
 - > Hands on tasks: Section details, dimensions, arrays
- Lecture 4 Introduction to layers, 3D and animation
 - Complete a computer based quiz for CAD assessment

Learning strategy

- Hands on software learning
- Self guided tutorials
- Lab tasks given in 9 activity documents during 4 weeks of CAD classes
- Submit results of a specified activity in Week 7.
- Quiz in Week 9.

References

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Which one of these features are useful in drawing the technical diagram of your project work?

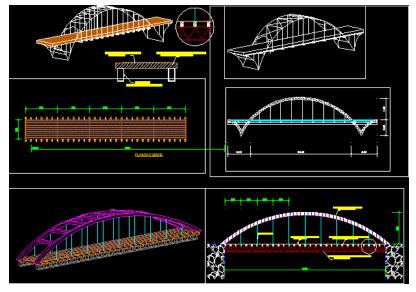


Drawings

- Illustrations
- Artistic
- Technical









Communication tool

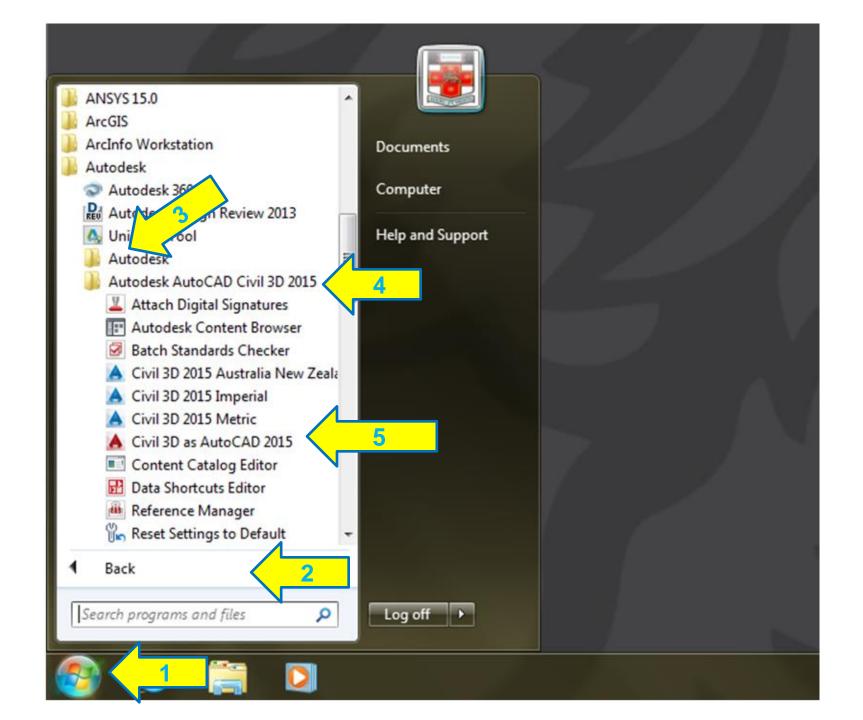
- Location/site/where
- Count/how many
- Size/dimensions
- Legal document
- Accuracy
- Standards

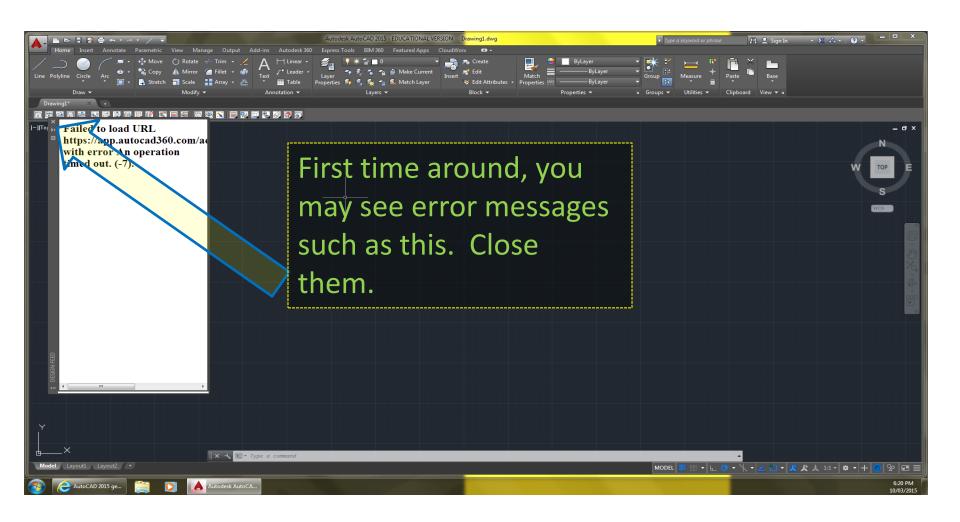
CAD

- Computer aided drafting
- Higher order graphics software suitable for technical drawings
- Digital entry for numerical values
- Aids to maintain accuracy
- Aids to conform to standards
- Reusability with digital files

Steps

- Login
- Start button > All Programs > Autodesk
- > Autodesk AutoCAD Civil 3D 2015 (or 2016)
- > Civil 3D as AutoCAD 2015 (or 2016)
- On the first time, please wait while installation is completed.

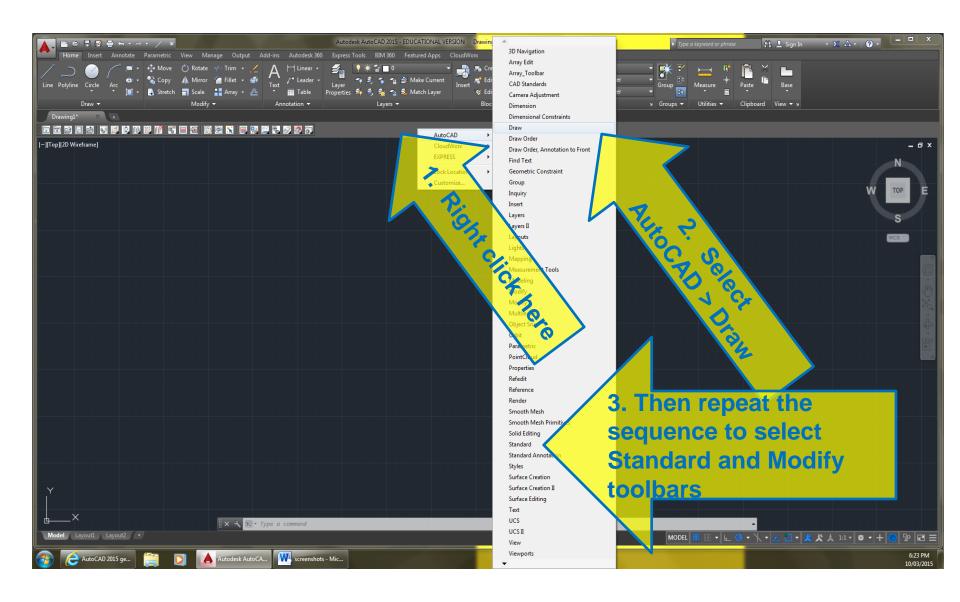




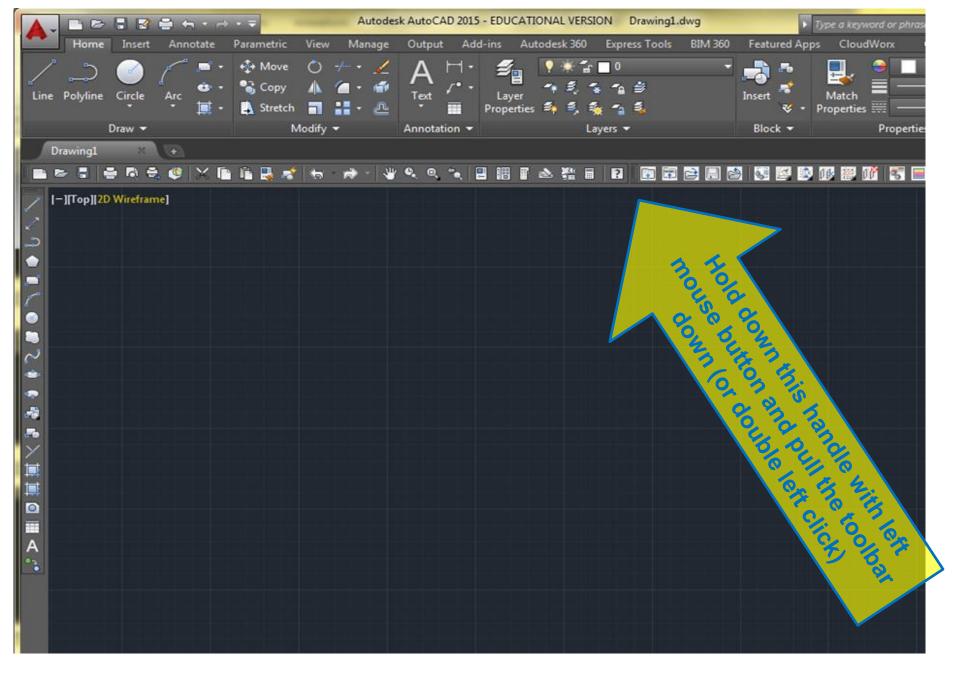
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Simplify the workspace by adding Draw and Modify toolbars/panels and closing other features on workspace (note these toolbars may already be displayed).

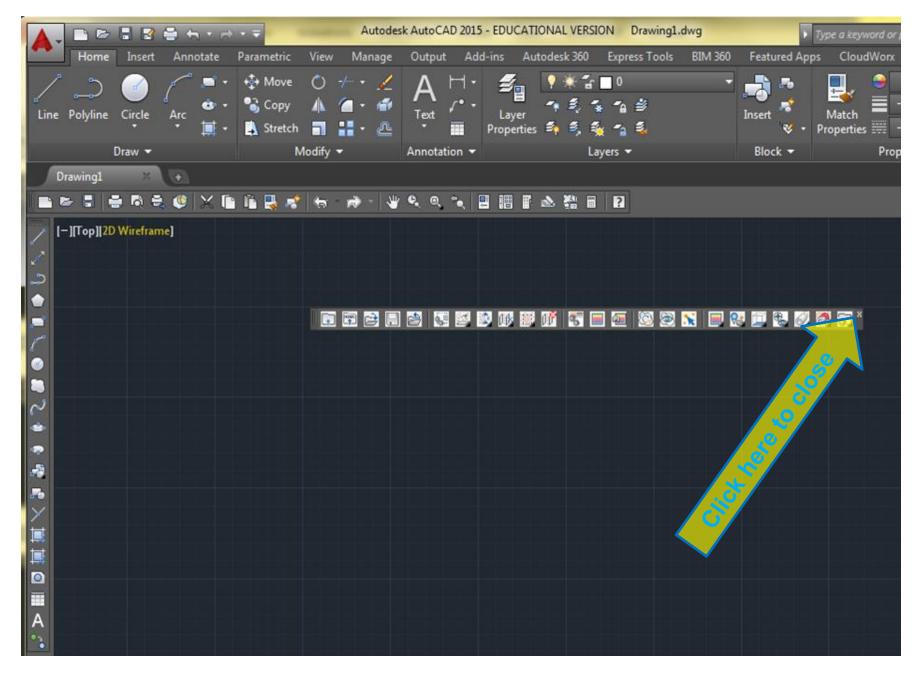
- In the toolbar area Right click then:
 - AutoCAD > Draw
 - AutoCAD > Modify
 - AutoCAD > Standard
- Hold down the handle of CloudWorx toolbar with left mouse button, pull down to workspace and right click close icon (2015 version only)
- Right click three times the icon for Minimize to panel buttons (located at the end of menu line)



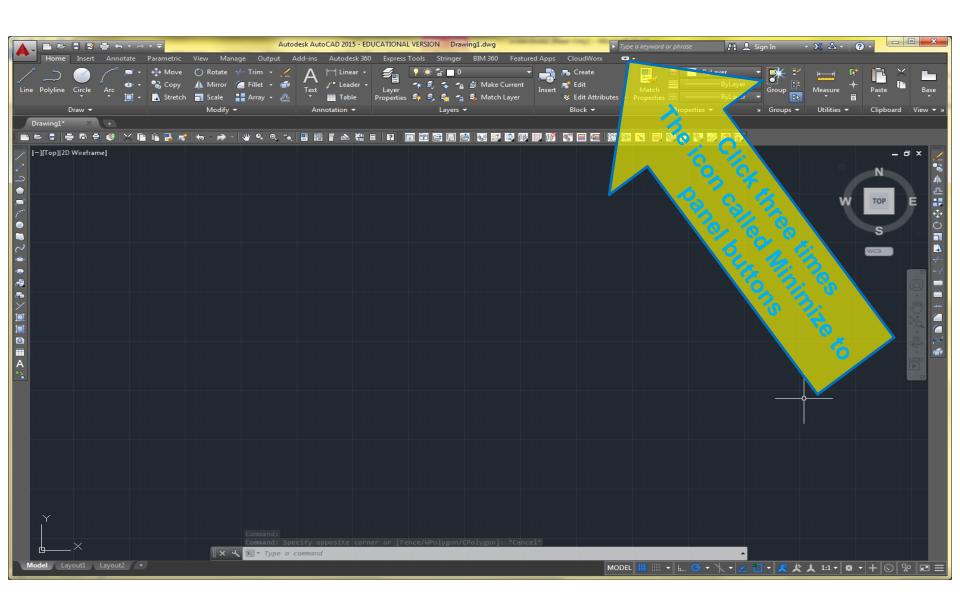
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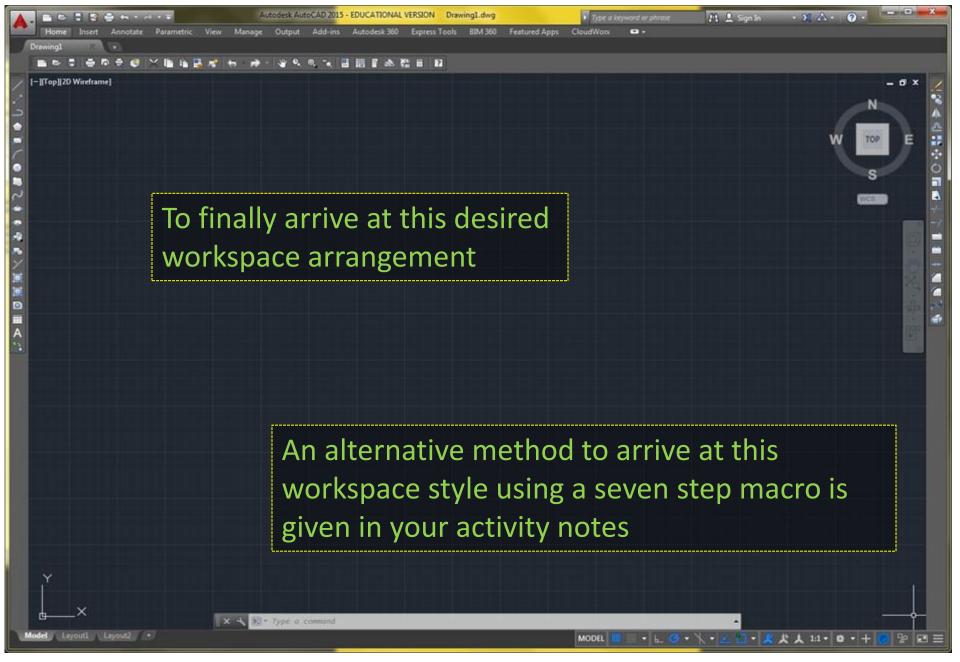
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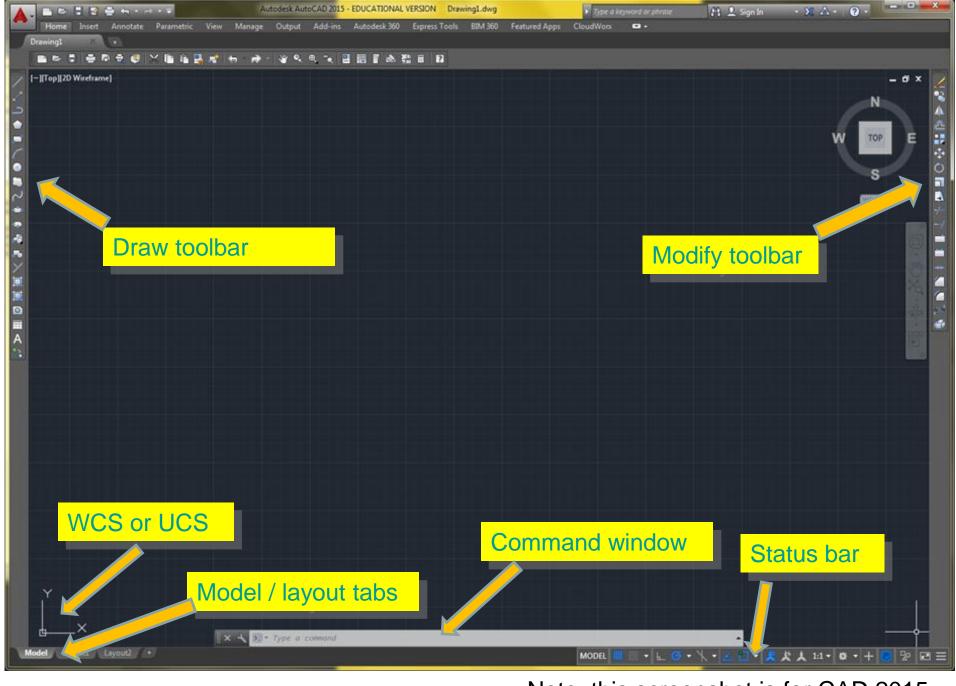
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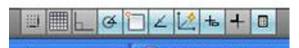
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Status bar

Status bar icons have changed over the years in different versions of the software



Older version of status bar



Versions till 2013



Version 2015 (or 2016) in our computer lab

AutoCAD Toolbars

View > toolbars

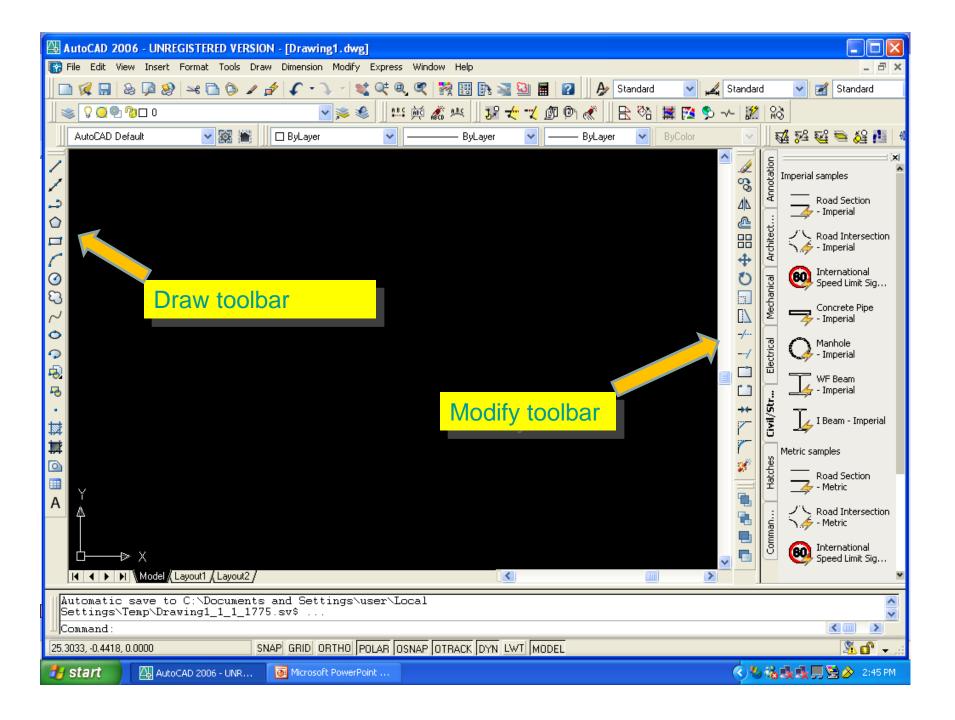
 Easier method: hover at toolbar (select an empty area of the toolbar) + right click

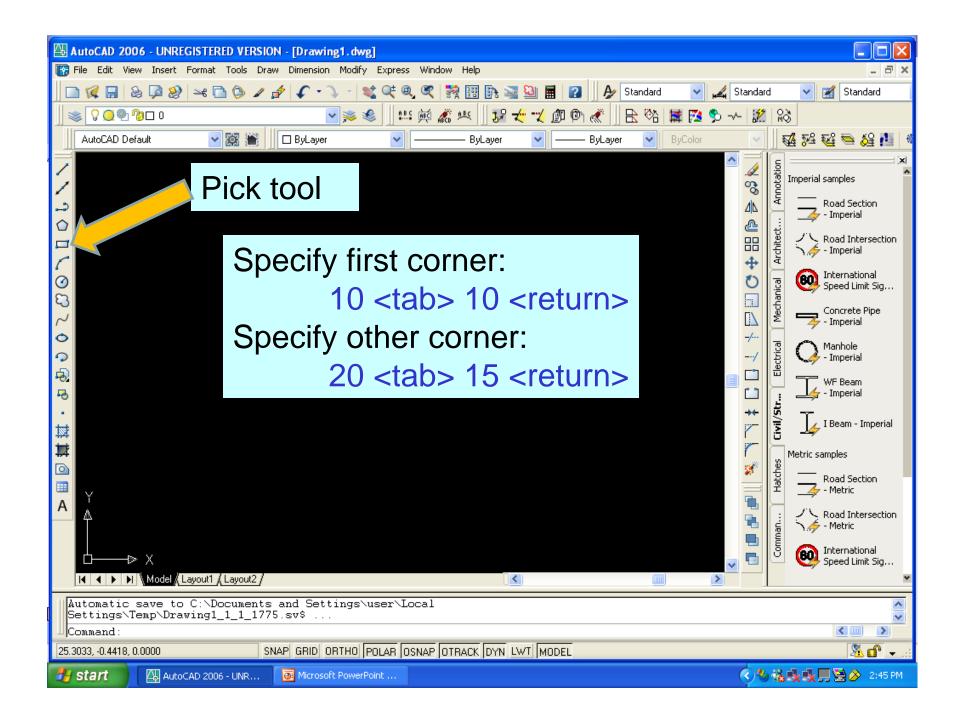
Three options: Floating, docked, locked

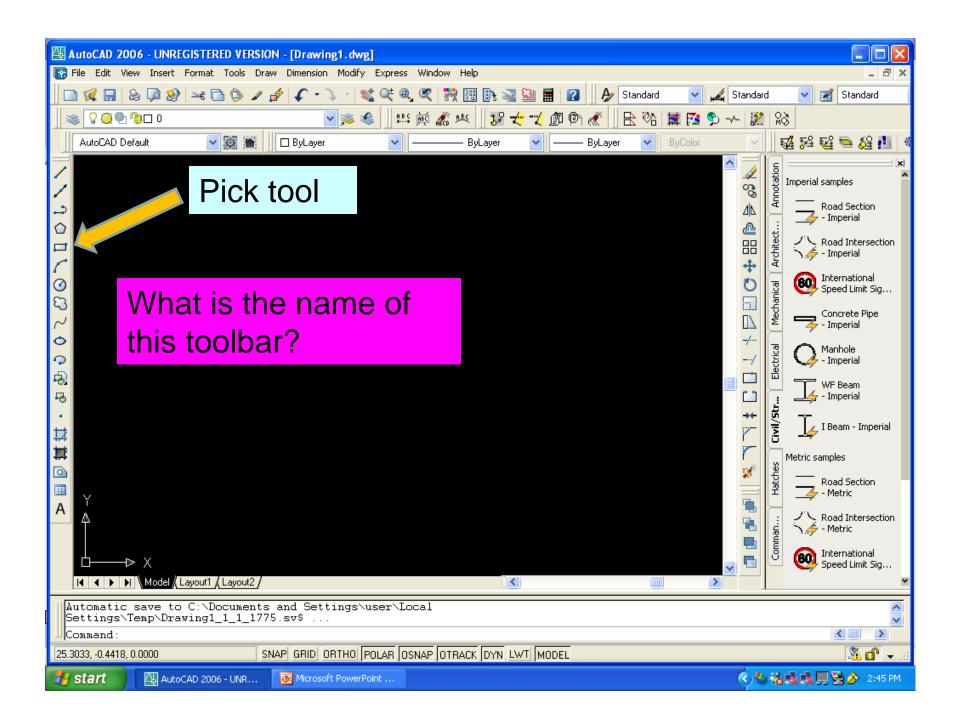
Example

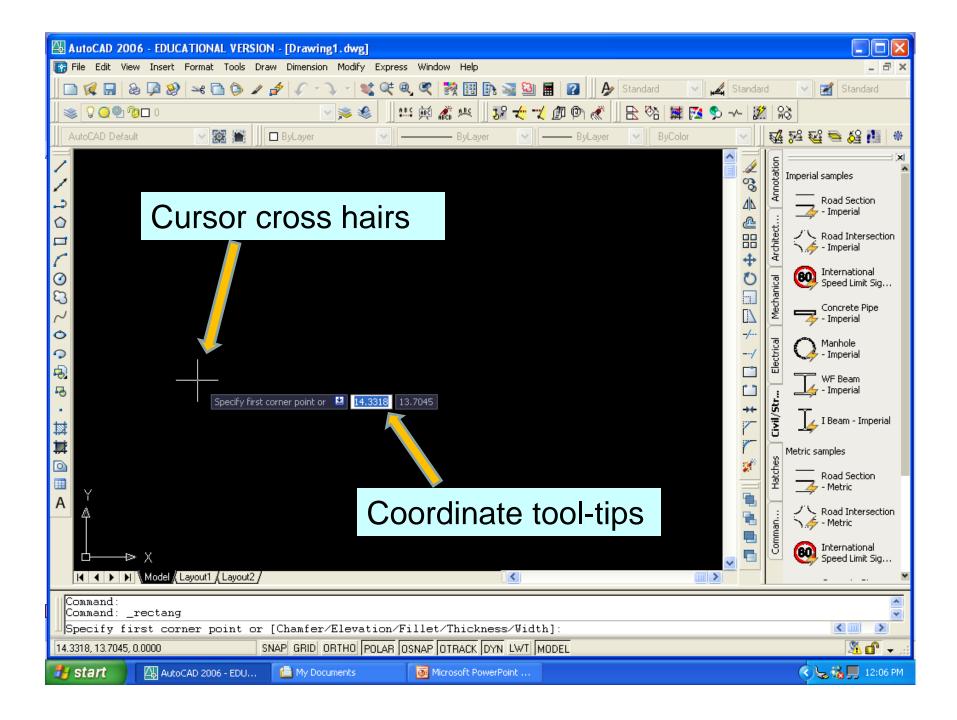
Draw outline of a box:

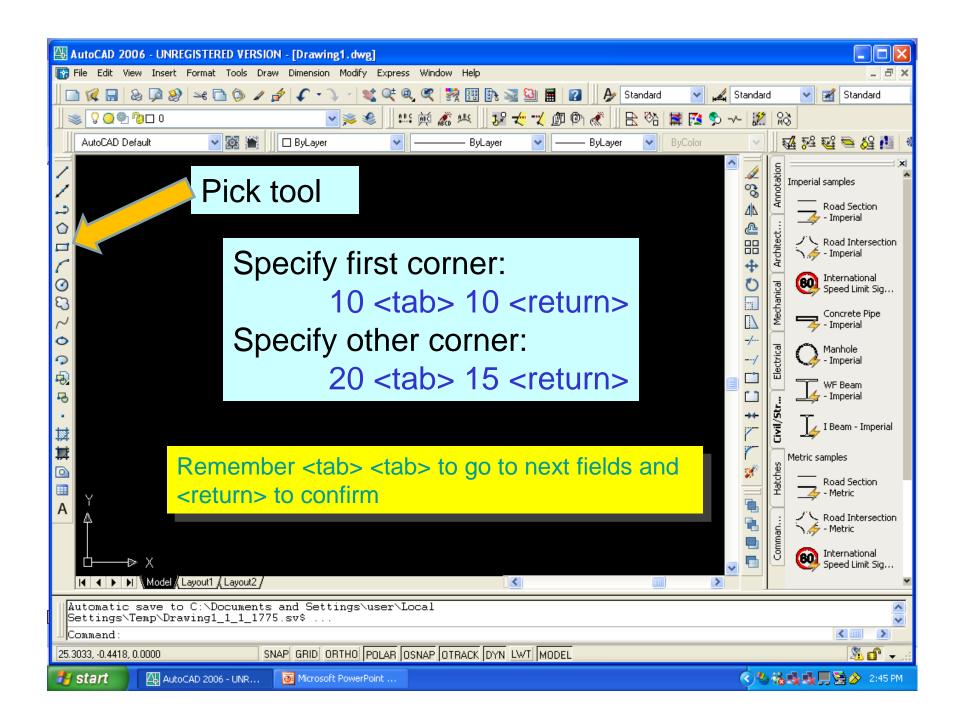
- Length 10 mm
- Width 5 mm

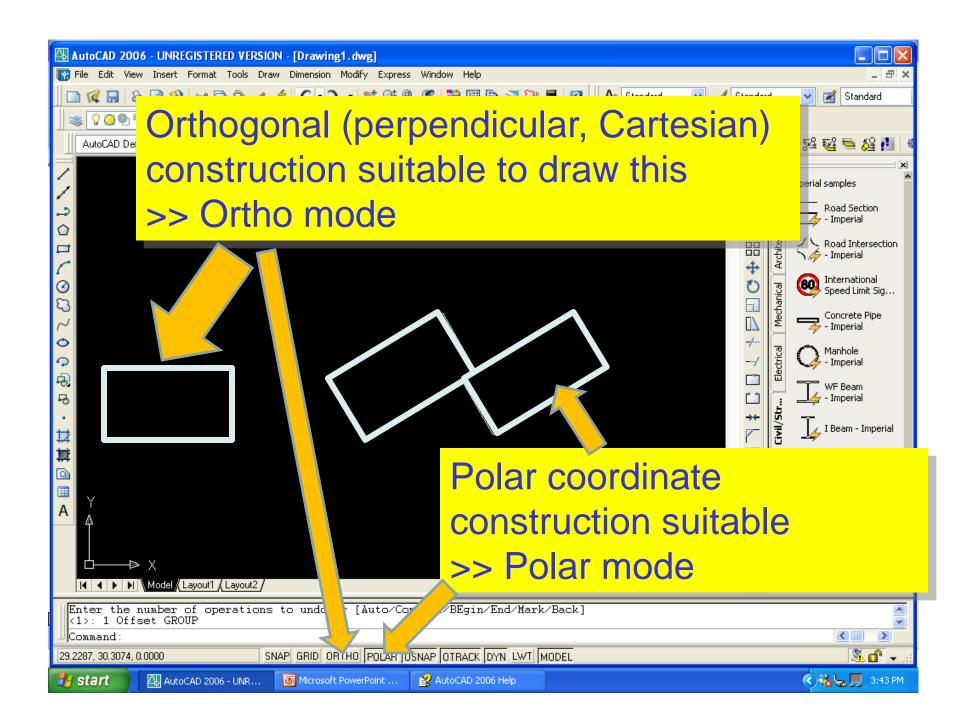












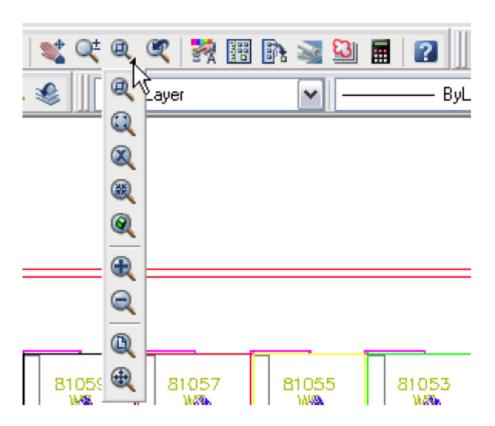
Navigation aids

- Zoom and Pan
 - From toolbar
 - Zoom flyout
 - Zoom extents
 - Zoom window
 - Via right-click

Zoom window



Zoom flyout



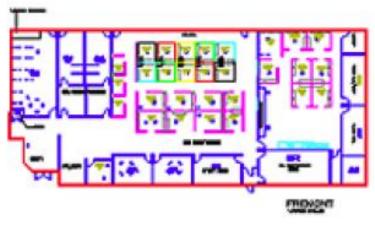
Use tool-tips and write down the zoom tool names

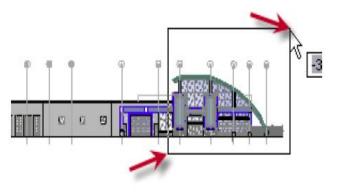
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Zoom and Pan tasks

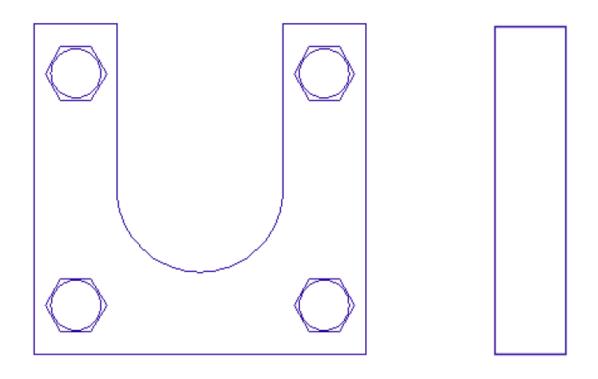
- Chapter 1, pages 1-5
- Download drawing files from e-learning website
- Learn different methods of doing the same task – in real work you may use only few of the methods effective for yourself.



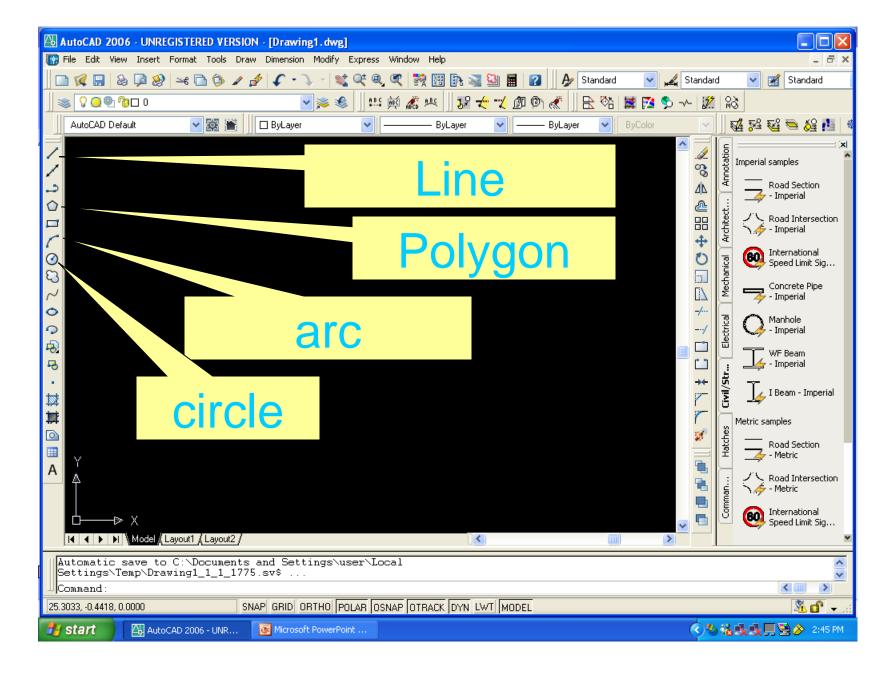


Task 1 Task 2

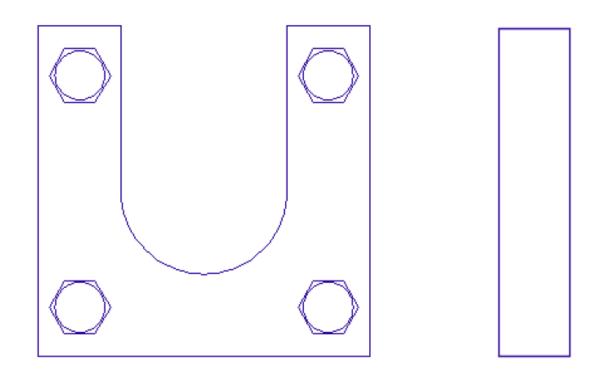
Line, circle, rectangle and polygon



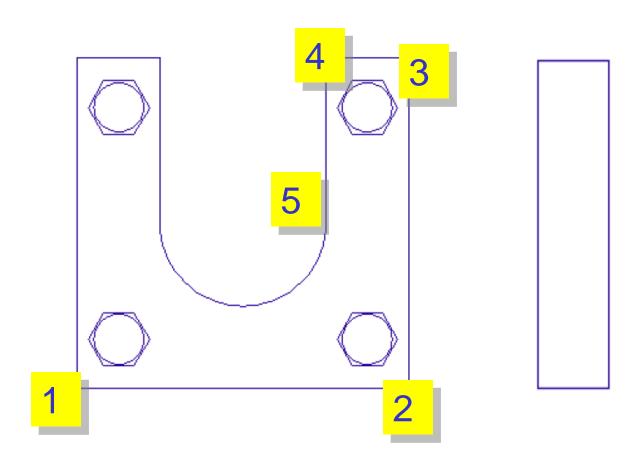
Your final diagram



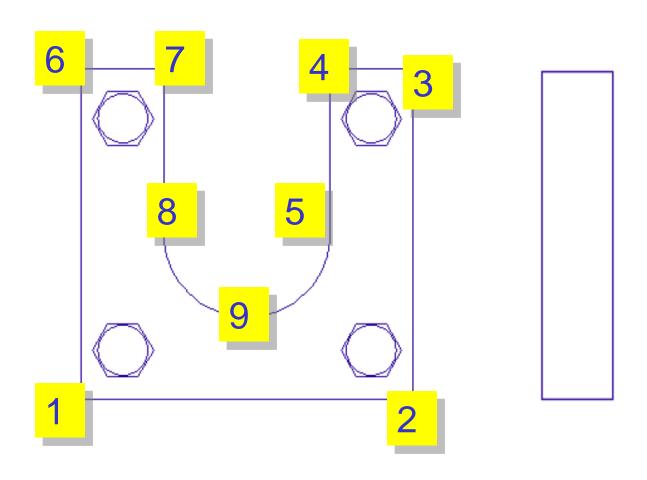
What is the sequence of drawing elements you will use to complete this diagram?



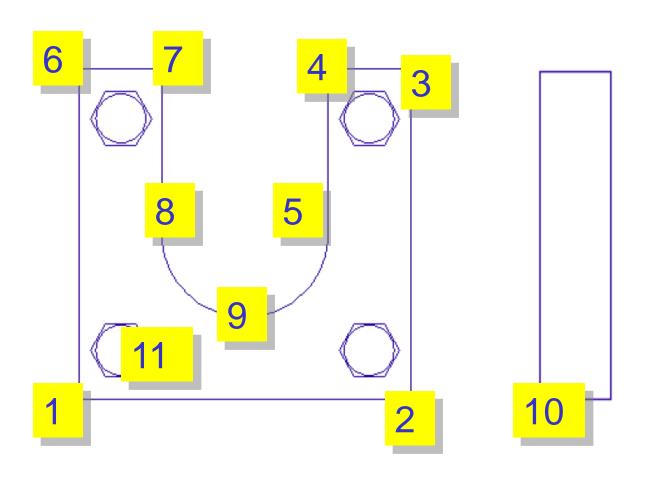
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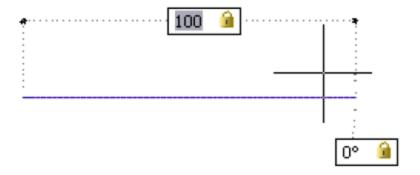


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- Settings
- Polar, Osnap, Otrack
- Chapter 2 (pages 1-9)

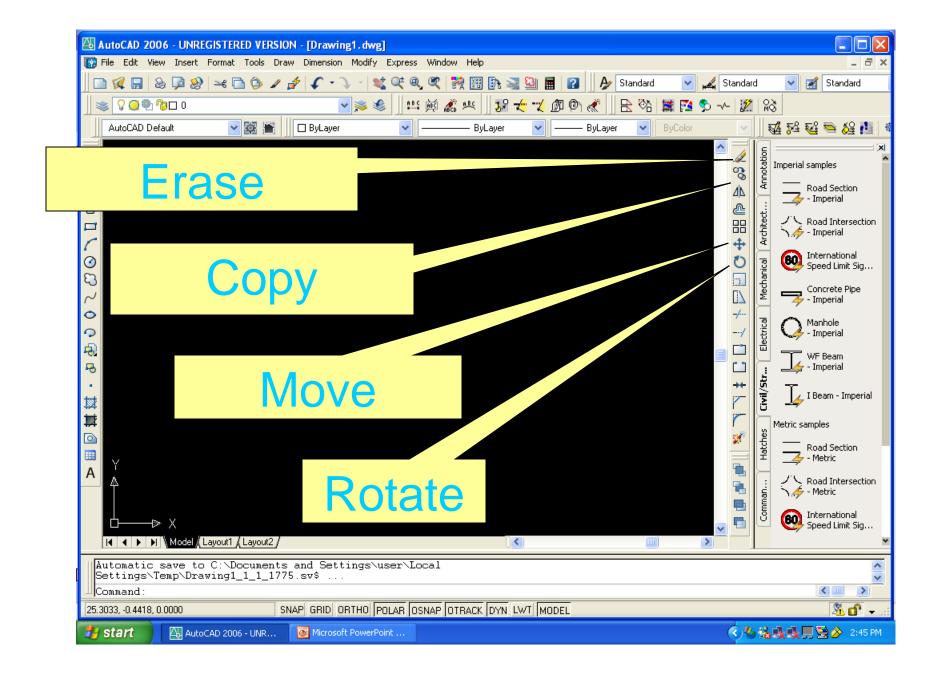




Copy, move, erase, rotate

- Chapter 3, pages 1-17
- Multiple methods for
 - Erase
 - Move
 - Copy
 - Rotate

 Consider use of these features in your project task



Things to do

 Self select a computer lab time using the sign-up sheet in Moodle website.

 Attend computer lab at chosen time in Room 611 in the Civil and Environmental Engineering building (H20)

Summary

- Technical drawings as an engineering communication tool
- Accuracy
- Co-ordinate system
- Different methods of doing a specific task in CAD software
- Computer lab work CAD tasks
- Homework hand sketch your project drawing and think of sequence of steps and drawing features required