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MECH 161 – INTRO. TO COMPUTER AIDED DESIGN I

INTRODUCTION TO AUTODESK AUTOCAD

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Outline

- Google Classroom Code (**ri7ua4g**)
- AutoCAD Interface
- AutoCAD Window
- Setting up Drawing Area
- Drawing some geometric figures
- Principles of Tangency
- Isometric Drawings

- Orthographic Projections

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COMPUTER-AIDED DESIGN (CAD)

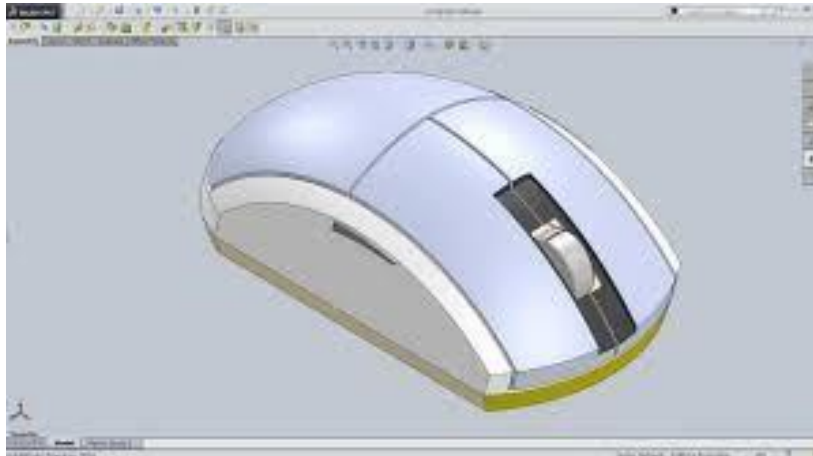
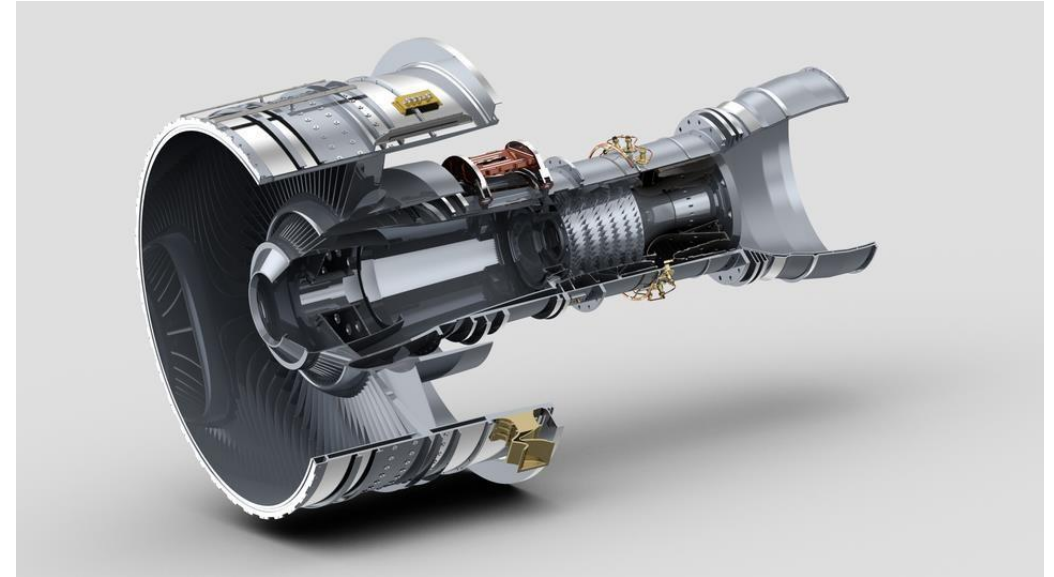
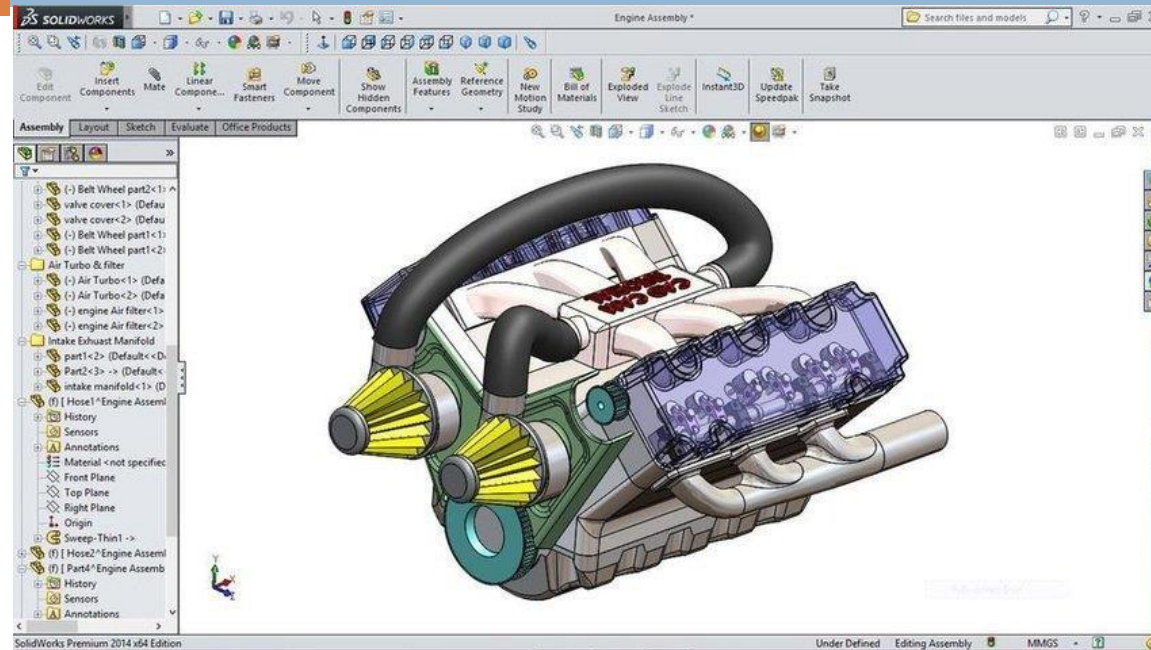
- Computer-Aided Design (CAD), is the **two-dimensional or three-dimensional** modeling of physical structures and material properties, using **specialized software on a computer**.
- CAD software is used by engineers, artists, and enthusiasts to create architectural designs, ray



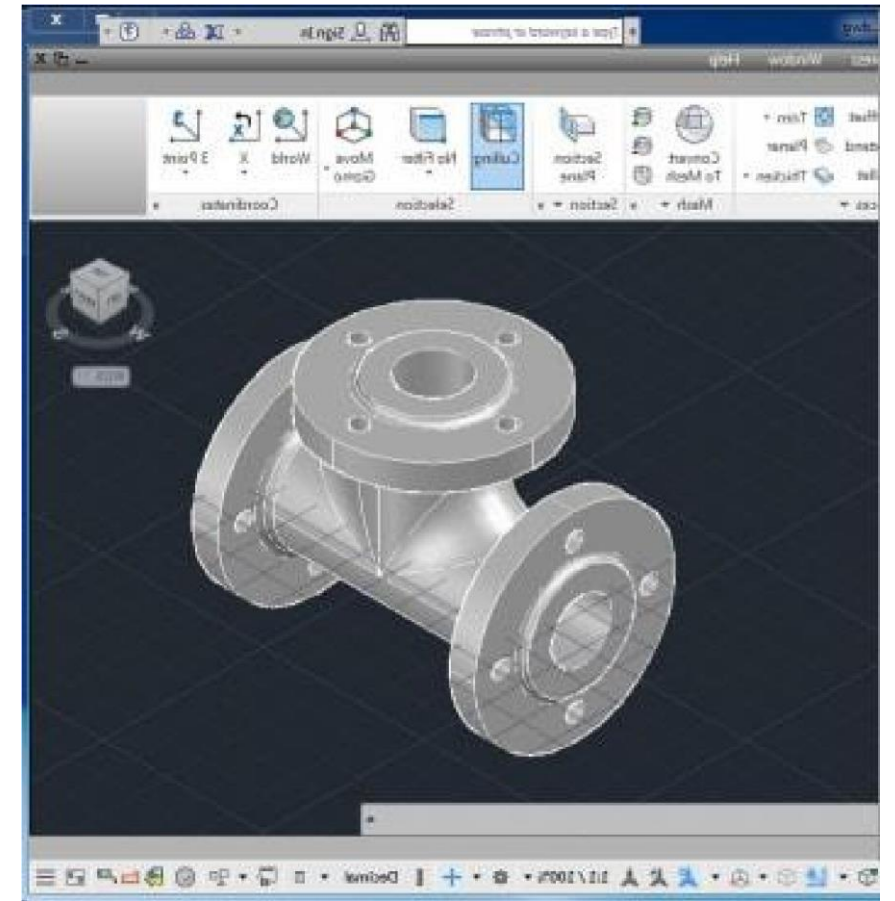
traced images, animations, and physics simulations.

Examples of CAD software

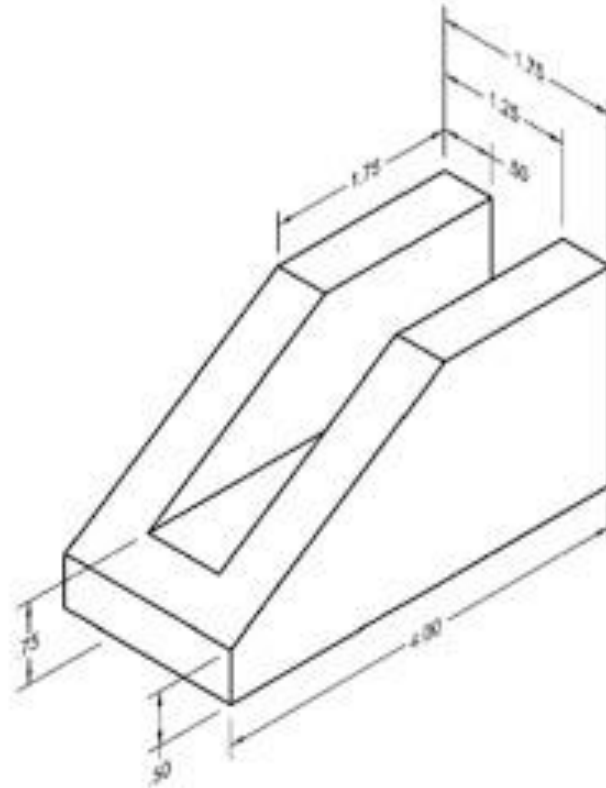
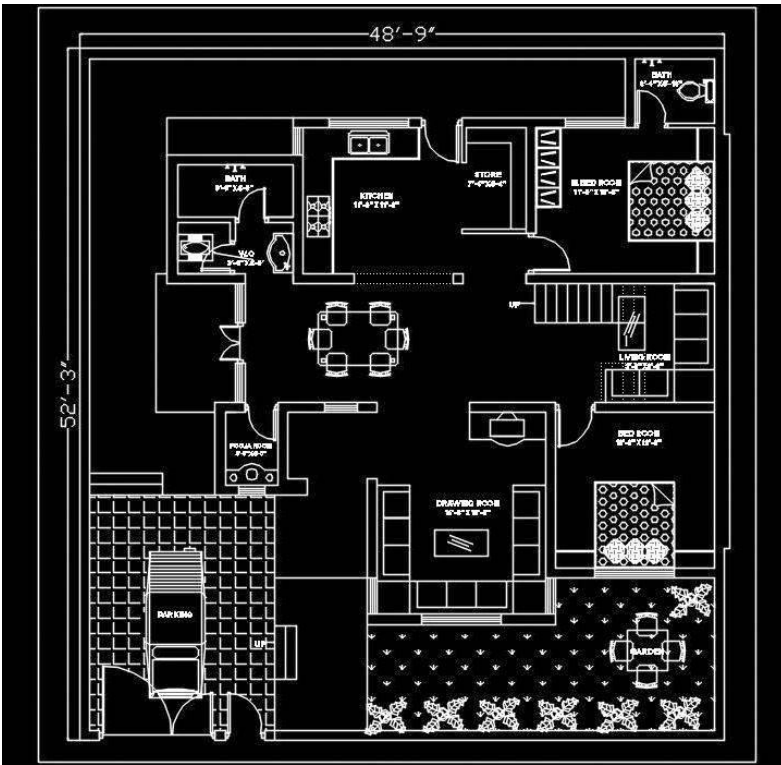
- ❑ Autodesk AutoCAD
- ❑ Autodesk Inventor
- ❑ Fusion 360
- ❑ Solidworks
- ❑ Solidedge
- ❑ Catia
- ❑ Blender
- ❑ FreeCAD ❑ Rhino ❑ Etc.

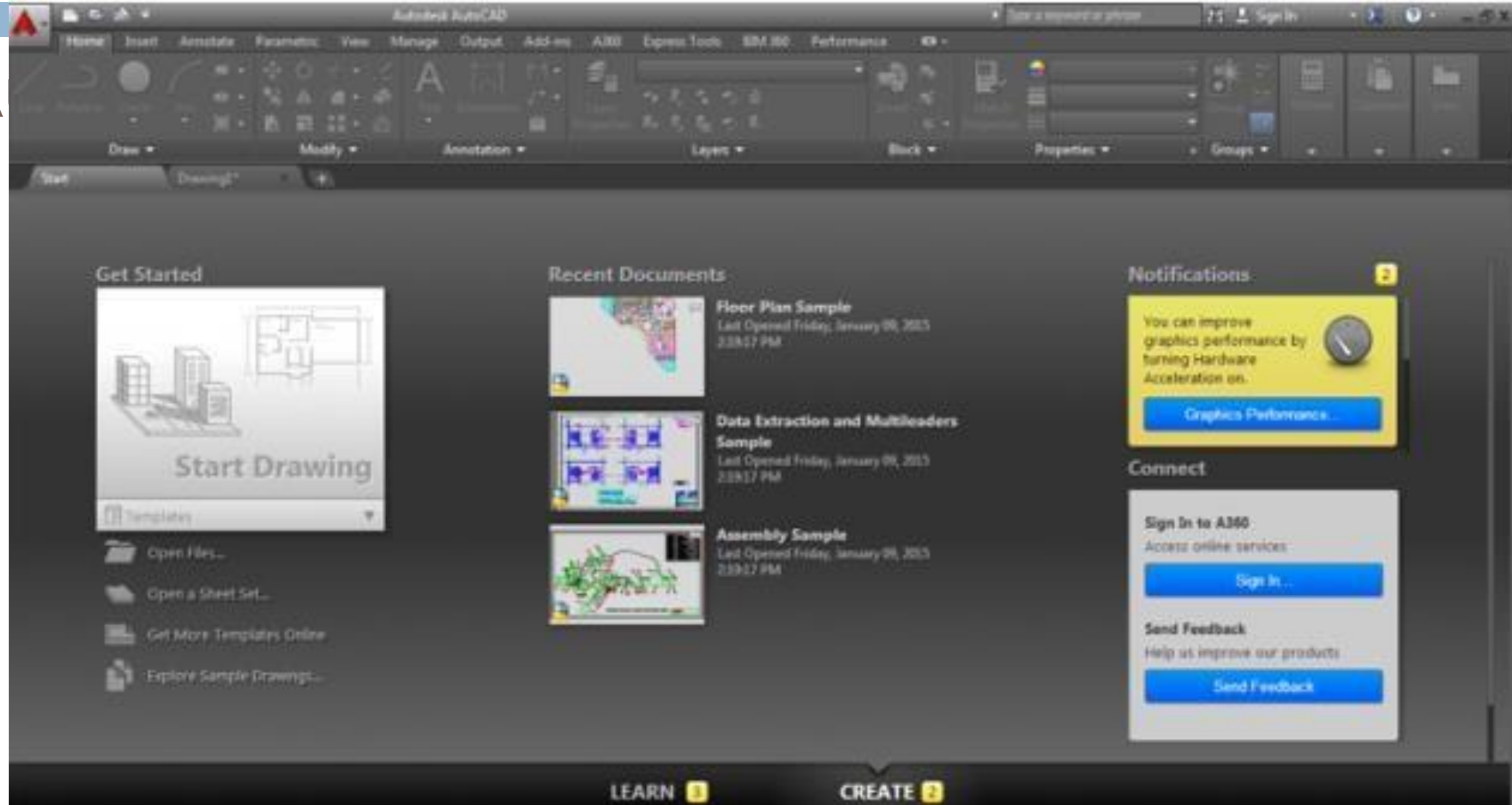


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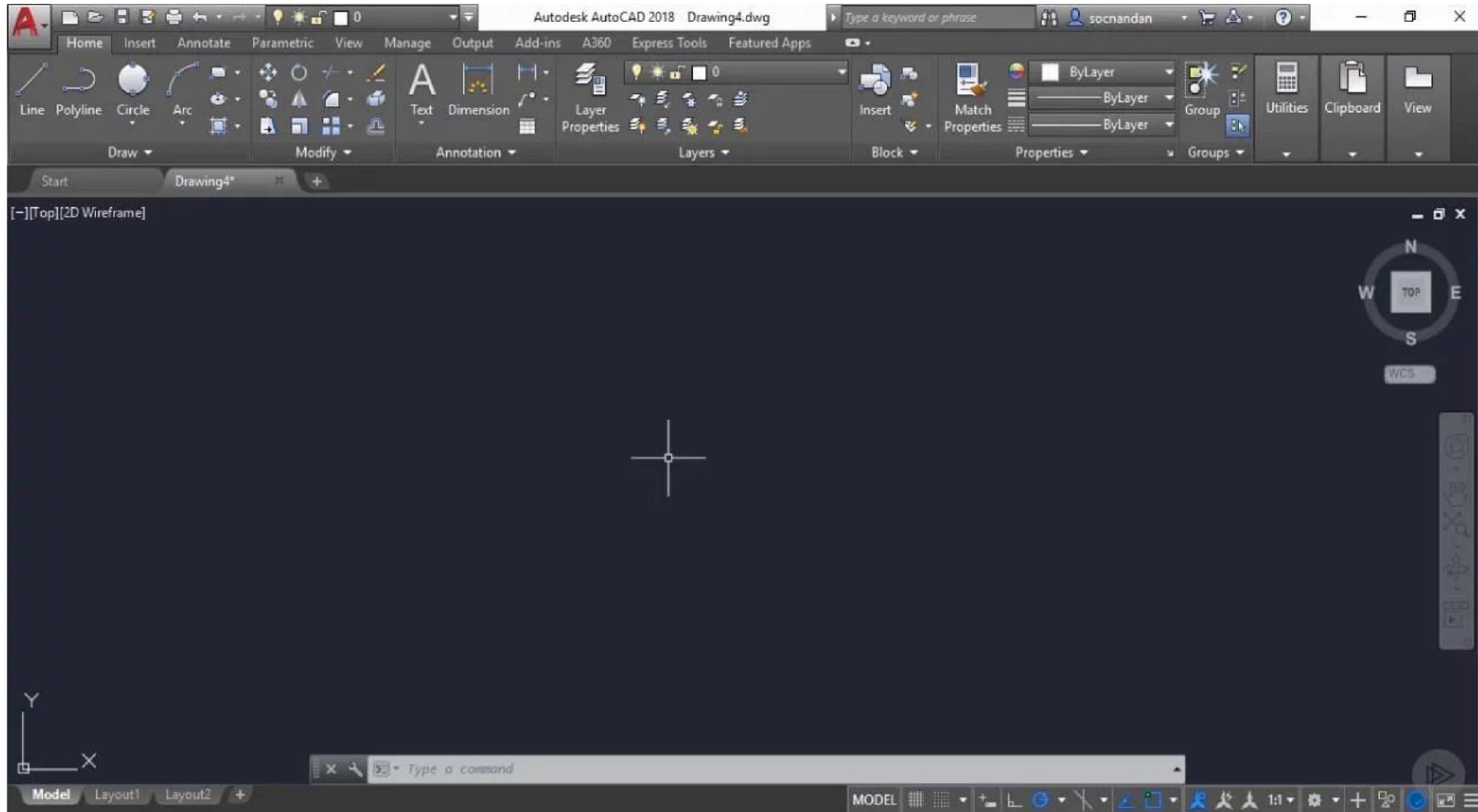


- **AutoCAD** is a commercial software application for 2D and 3D computer-aided design (CAD) and drafting





AutoCAD Interface continue

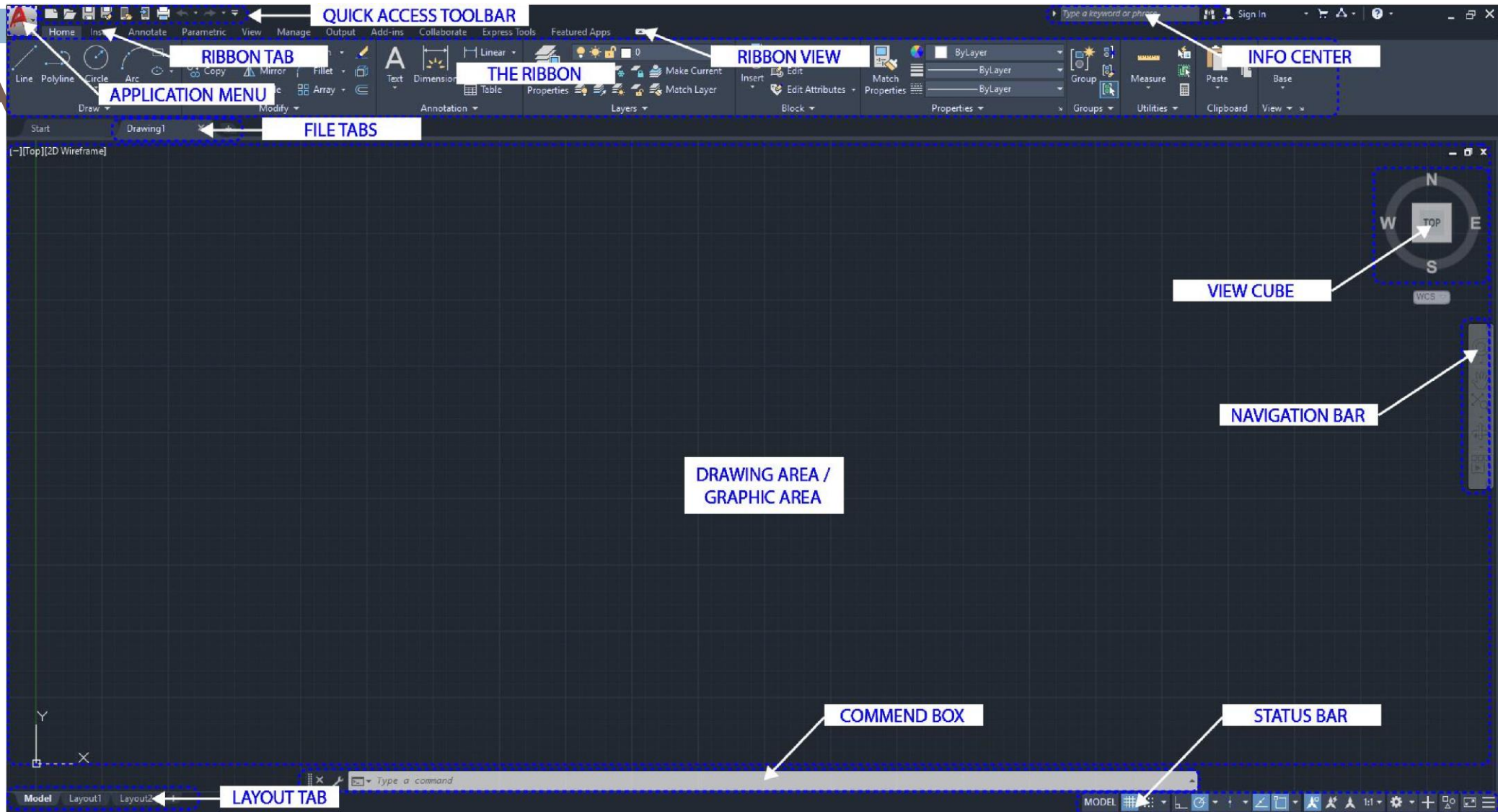


AutoCAD Windows

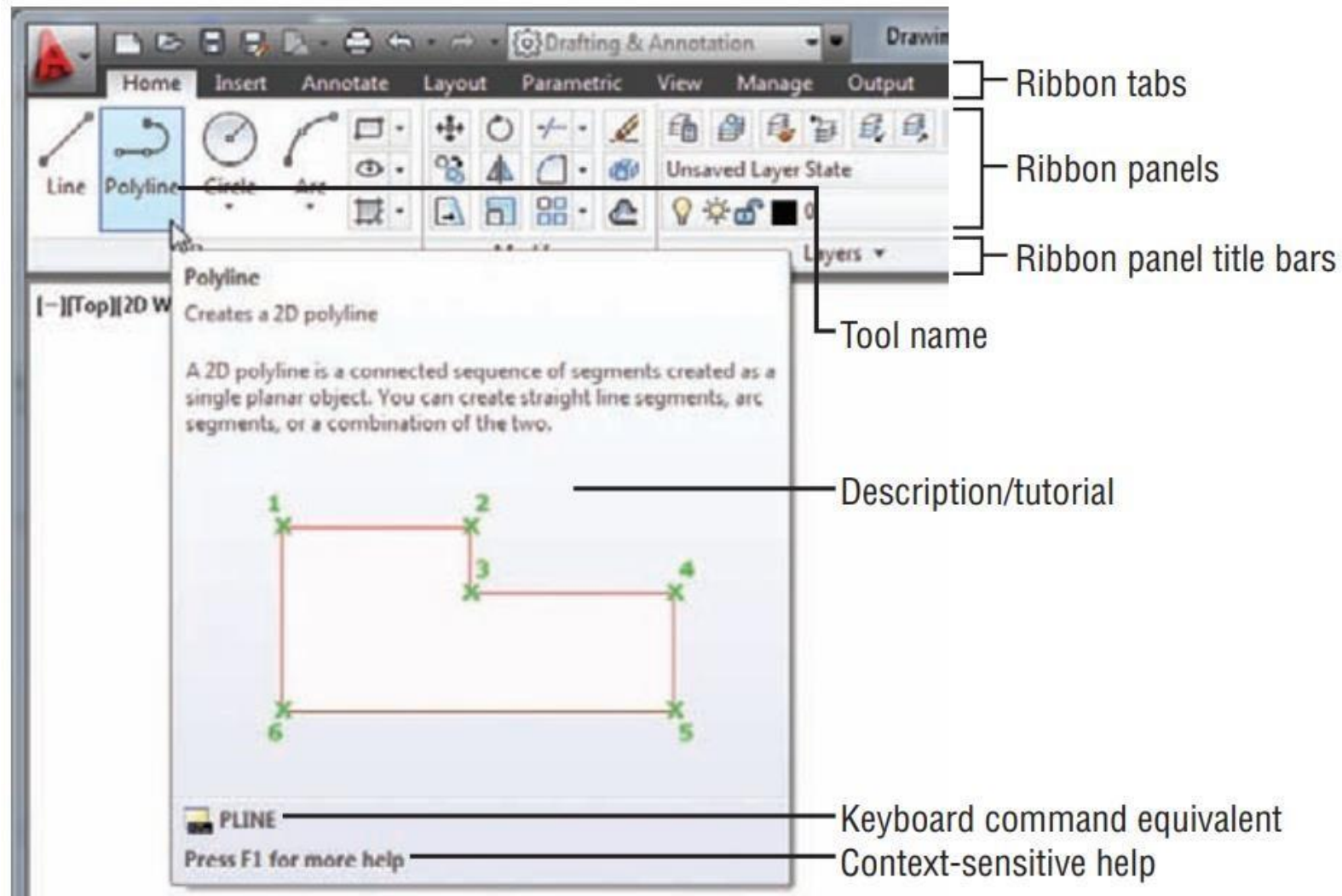
- The AutoCAD window is divided into several parts:
 - Application menu
 - Quick Access toolbar
 - InfoCenter
 - Ribbon
 - Drawing tabs
 - Drawing area
 - UCS icon (User Coordinate System icon)
 - Viewport Controls
 - ViewCube®

- ▣ Navigation bar
- ▣ Command window
- ▣ Status bar

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AutoCAD Windows (Ribbon)



Entering of Commands

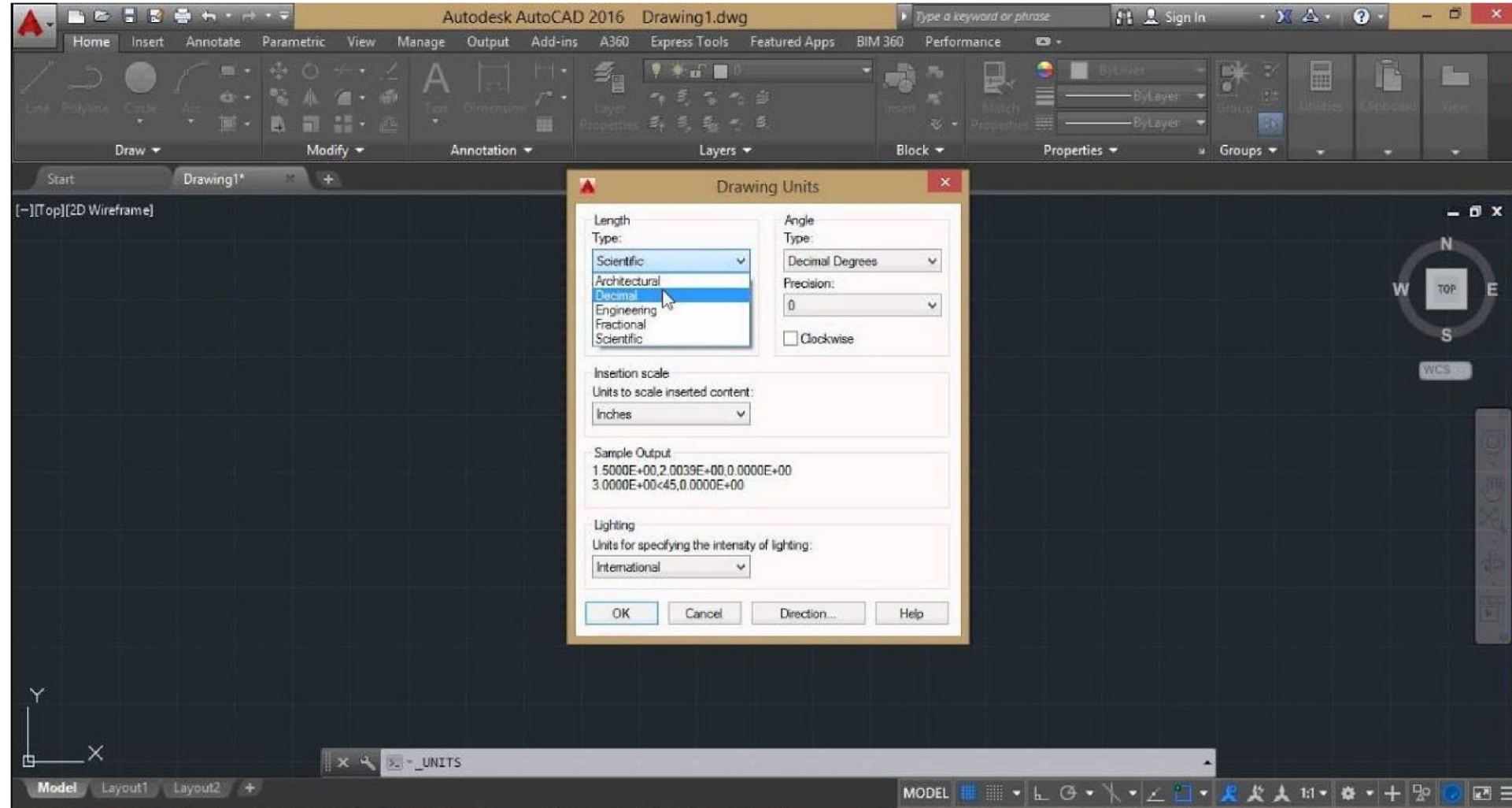
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- You can enter **information (commands)** either through the **keyboard** or through your **mouse or pointing device**.
- There are also **toolbars and icons** that help to access the information.
- You can enter a command by typing it in at the **command line** or in the **dynamic input** or you can use the **pointing device** to pick up commands from:
 - - the pull-down menus in the ribbon panel title bar
 - the icons on the ribbon panel

Setting up the Units

■ Type units in the command line or in the dynamic input and hit the enter key

■ Under the



insertion scale, choose the required unit (Millimeters)

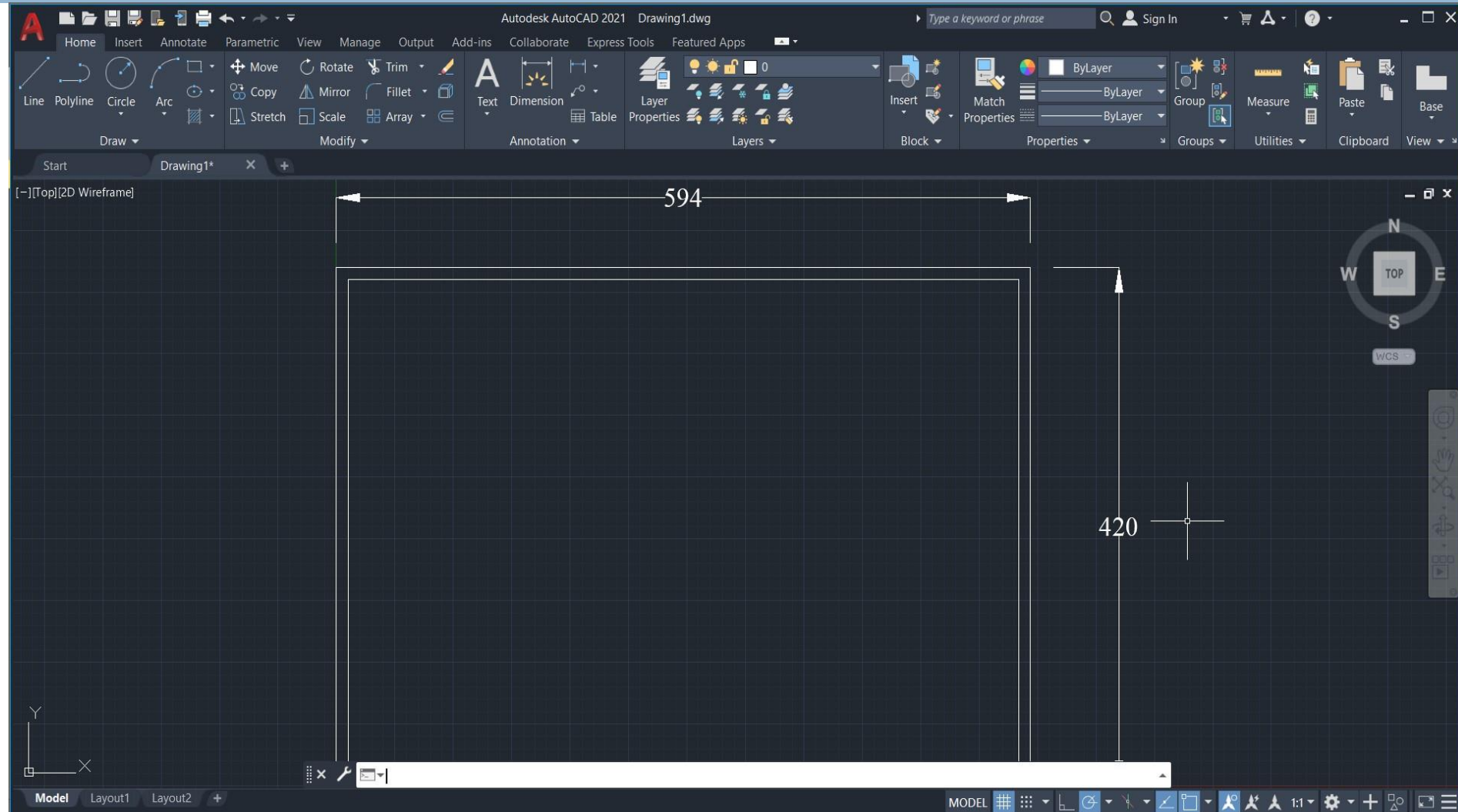
Setting up Drawing Area

□ Setting up visible drawing sheet and borders using the **rectangle** and **offset**

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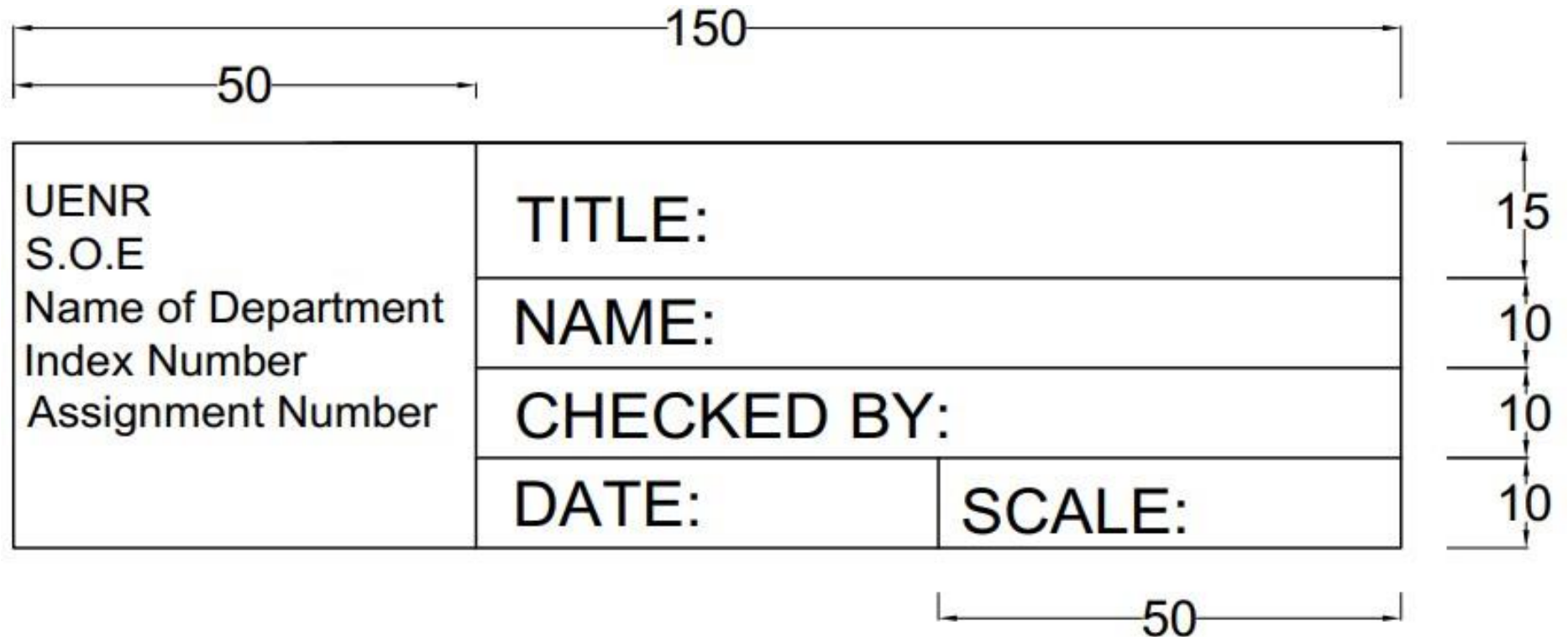
commands
respectively.

▣ $594\text{mm} \times 420\text{mm}$

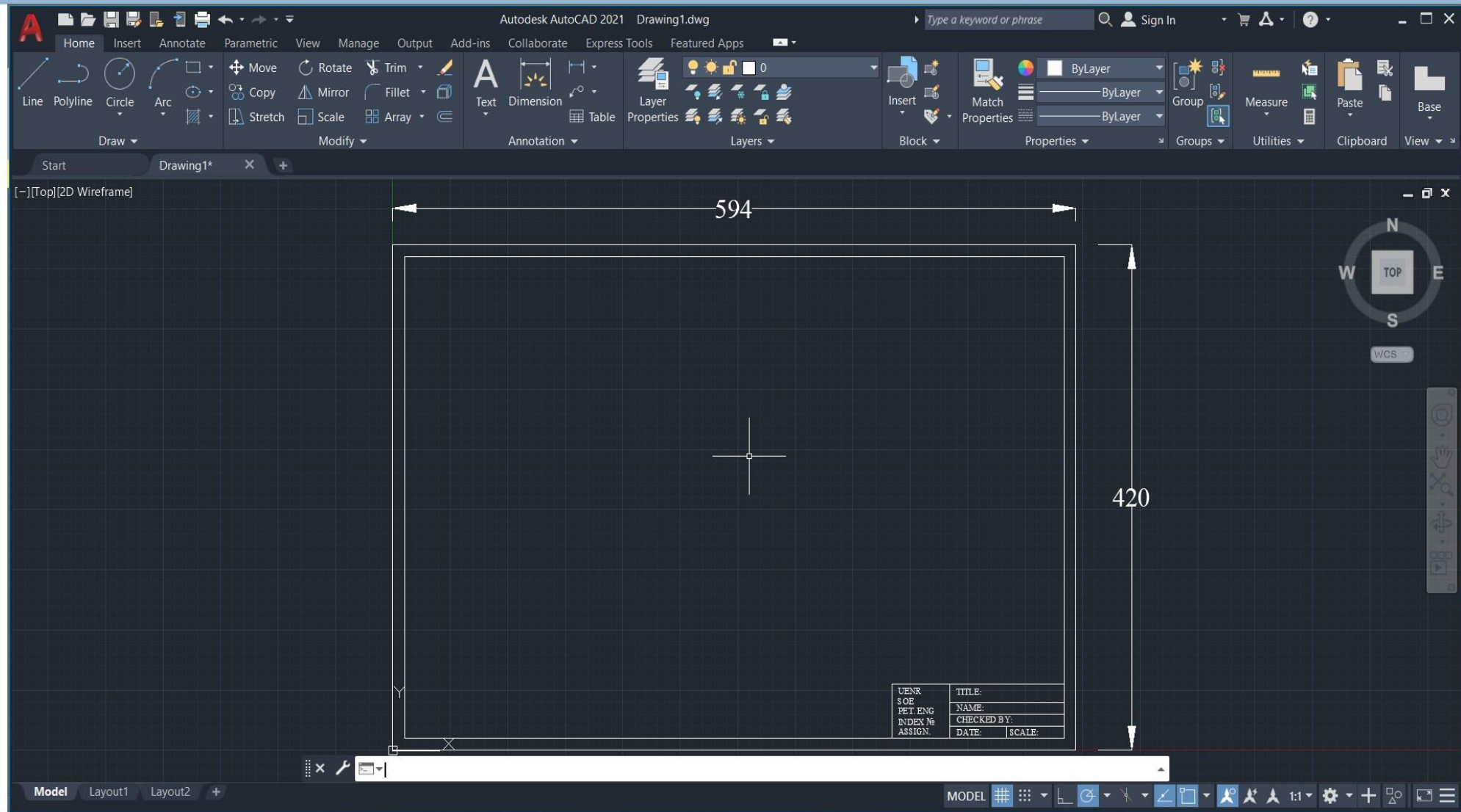


Setting up Drawing Area

- Drawing of the Title block (using the **line, offset and trim** commands)
- All dimensions in mm



Setting up Drawing Area



Saving Your Work

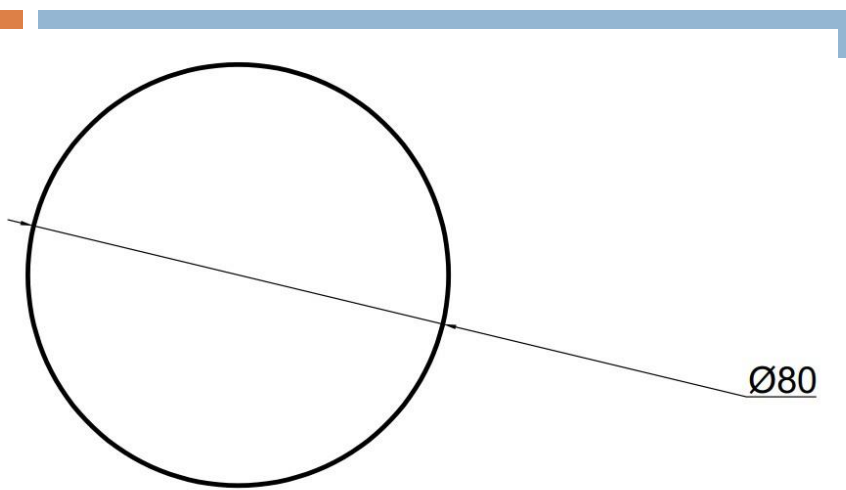
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- **Surname_Index Number_Programme__Assignment Number**

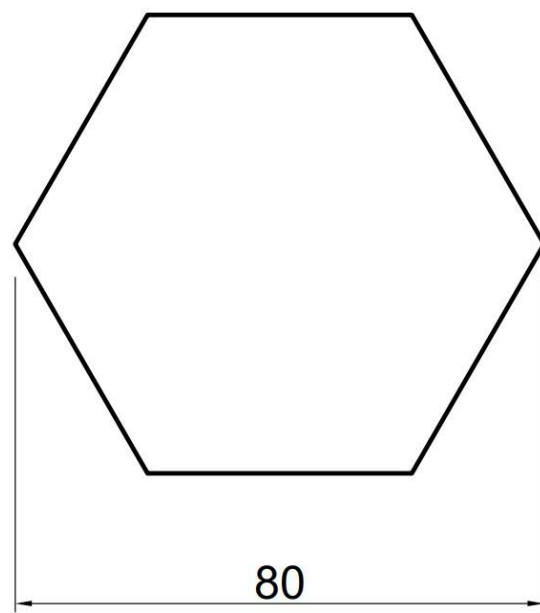
- Example:

- **Osafo_UEB12077730_MECH. ENG._Assignment 1**

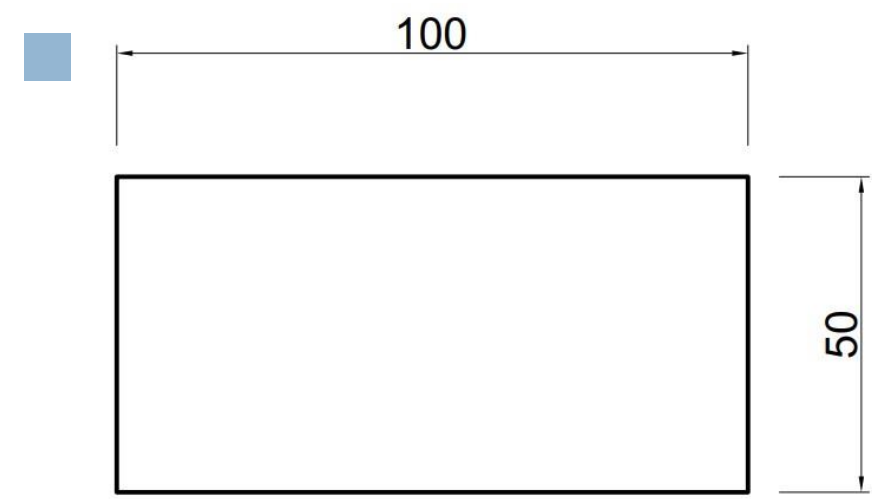
Starting Your First Drawing



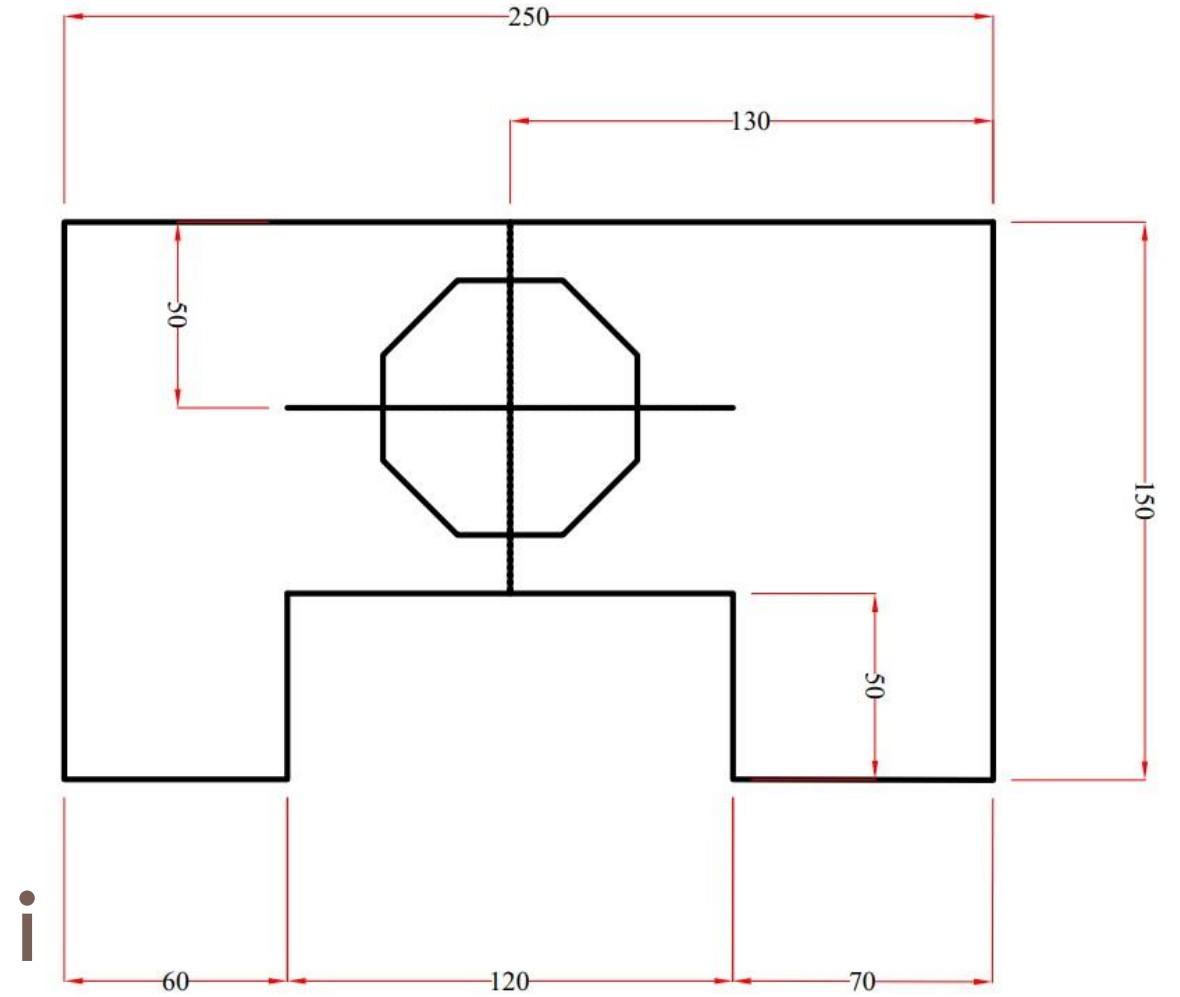
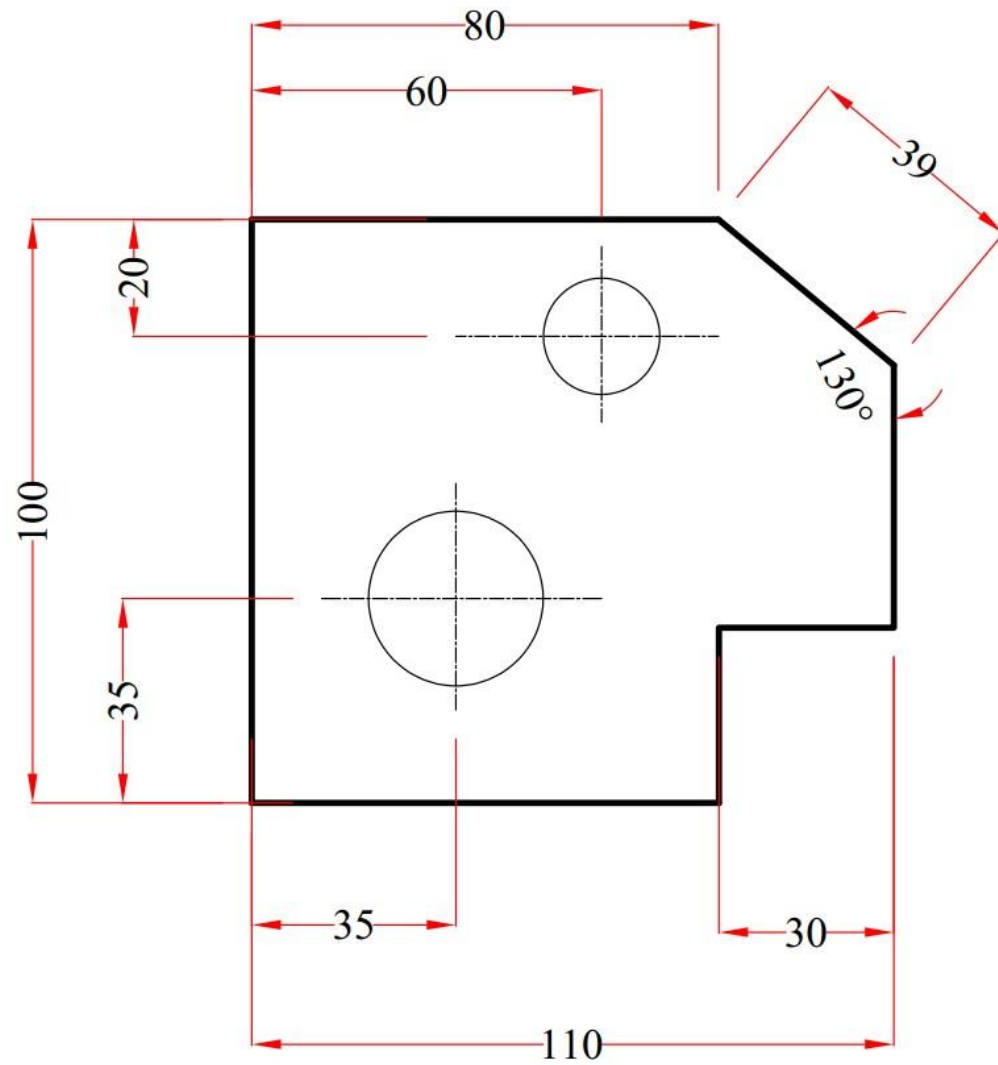
Circle



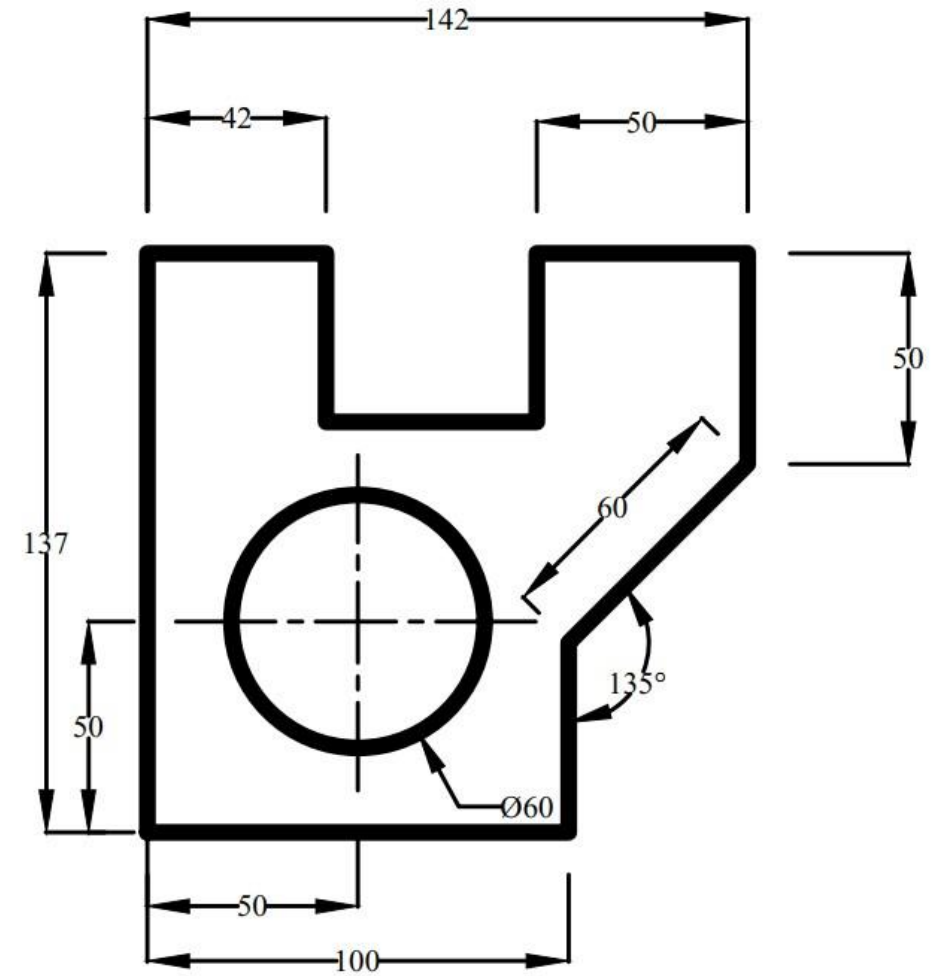
Regular Polygon

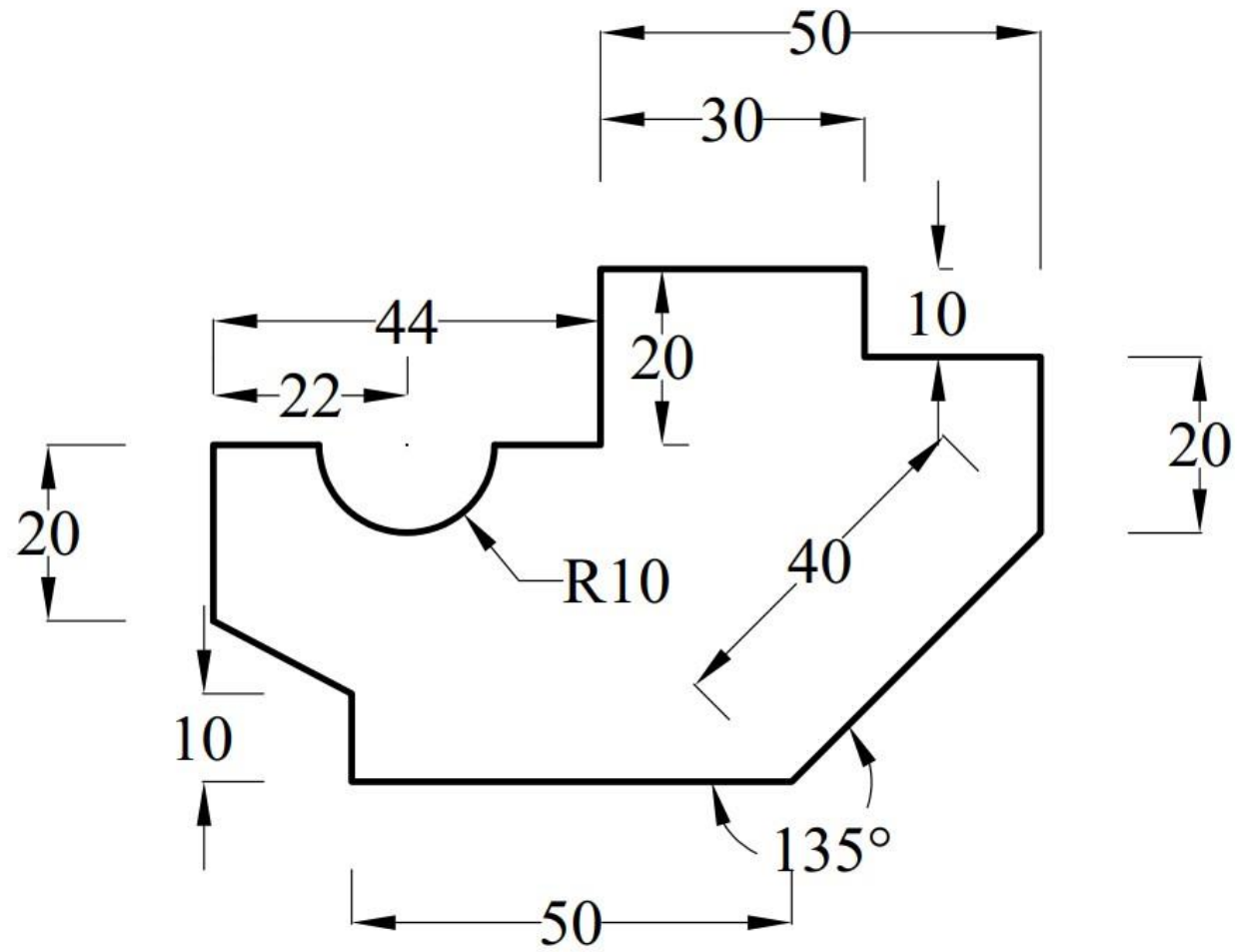


Rectangle

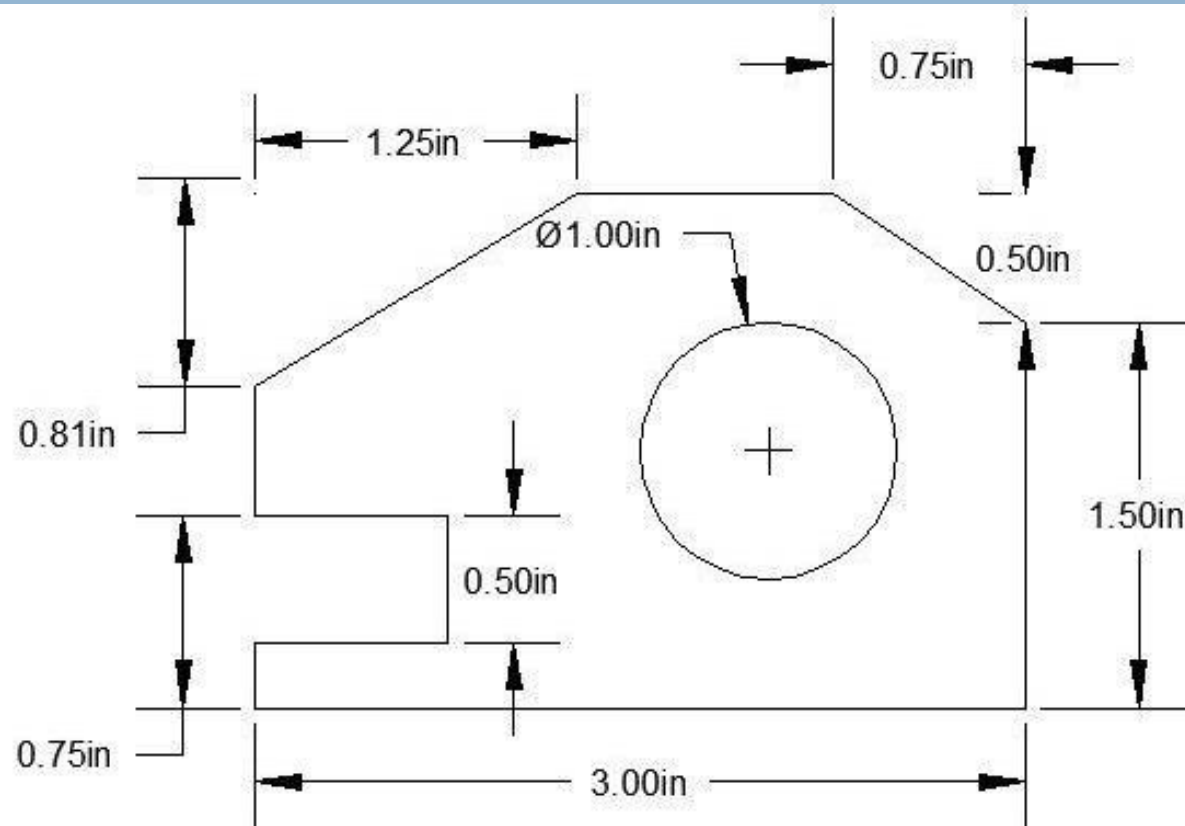
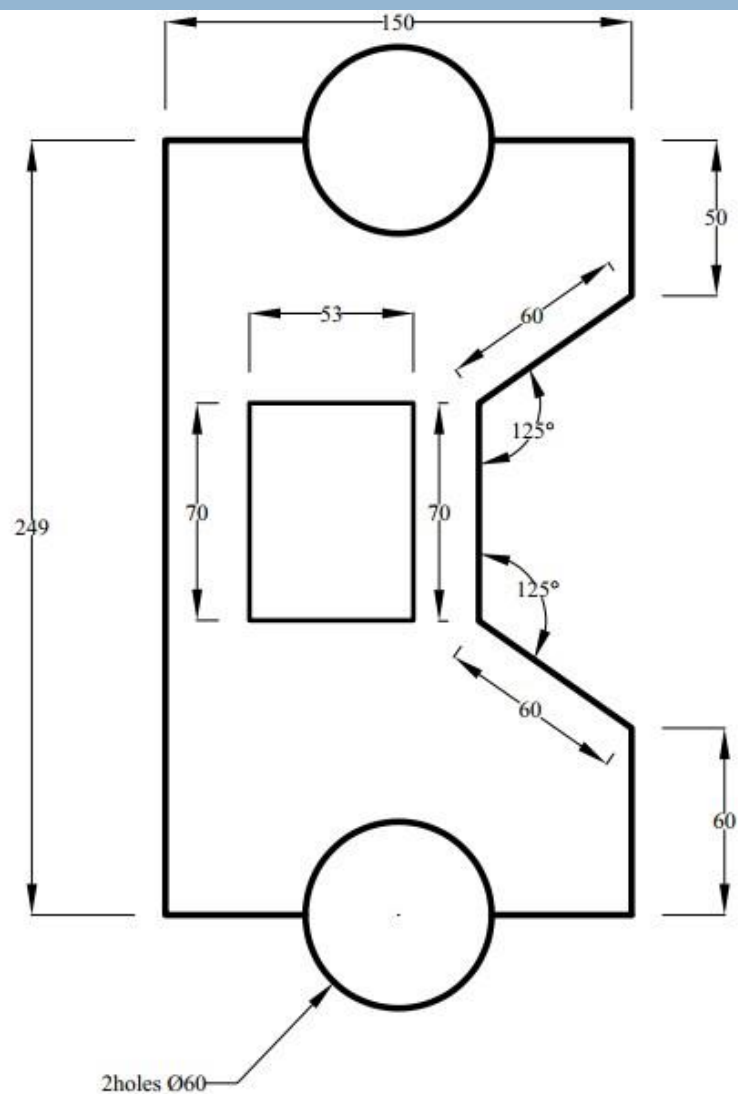


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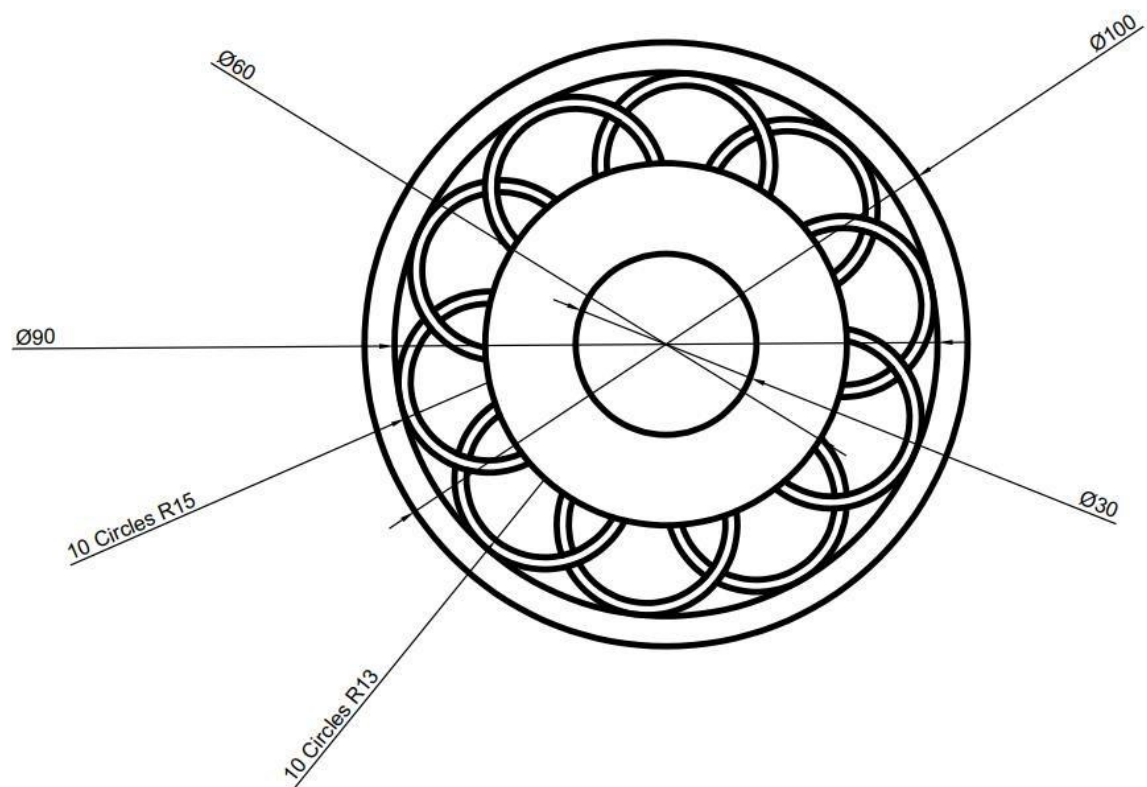
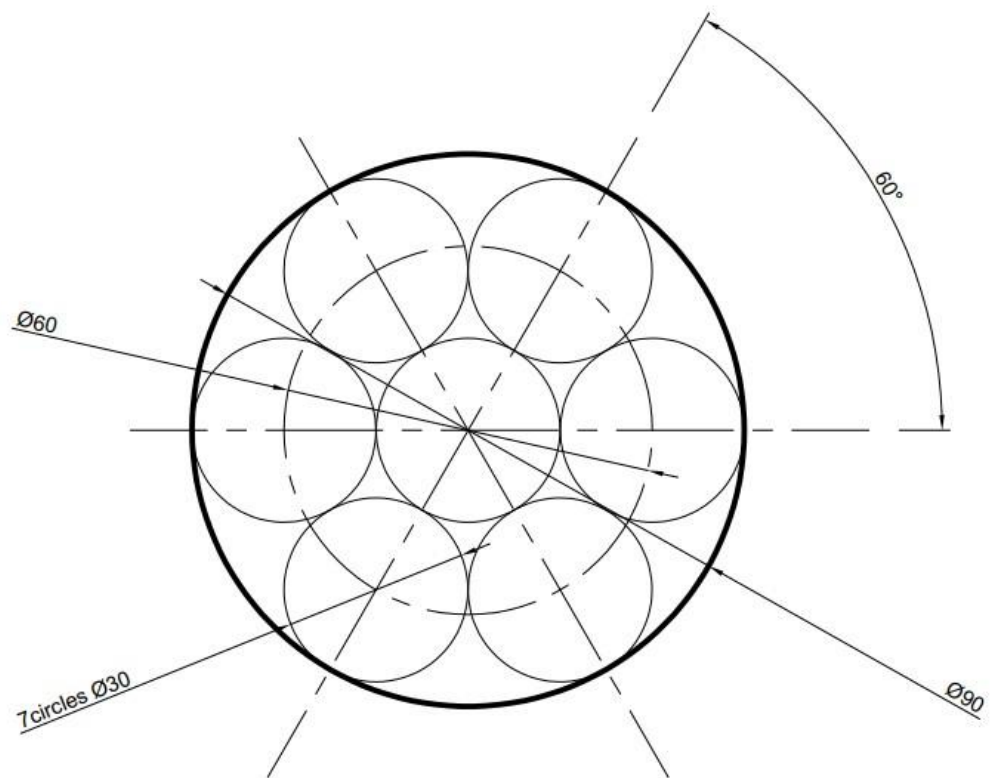


Modifying Commands

- ☐ Array
- ☐ Mirror
- ☐ Trim
- ☐ Copy
- ☐ Move
- ☐ Fillet
- ☐ Rotate



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Question

