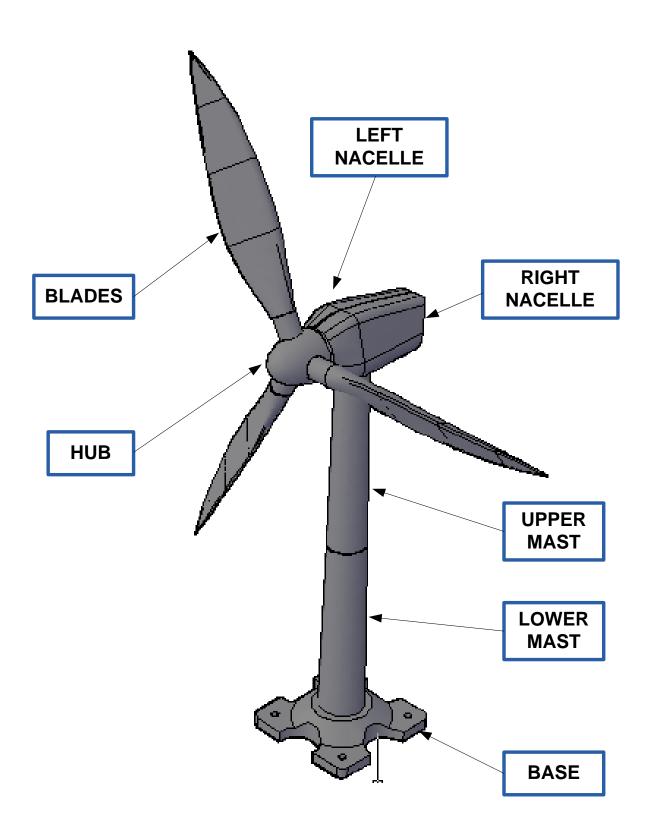
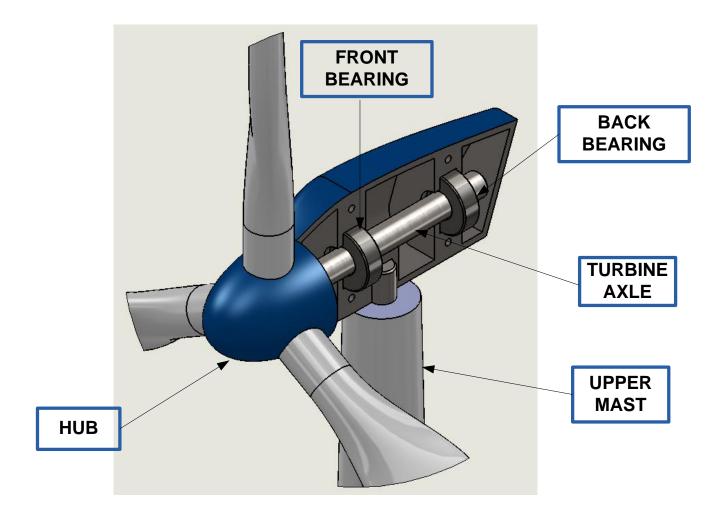


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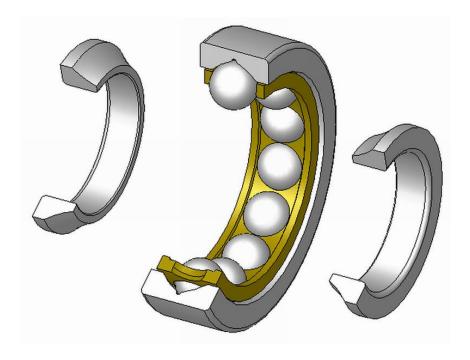


The objective of this project is for everyone to model up the entire turbine assembly and to print out and assemble a working prototype.

There are 9 main parts to model up. The Base, Lower mast, Upper mast & Hub are simple enough parts so all I've provided are working drawings. You should have little trouble modeling these parts up. The Nacelle & Blades have more complex Lofts so we will work though these together in class.

Some design questions you need to think about.....

- What is the purpose of the AXLE?
- 2. Why do we need ball-bearings?
- 3. How do we keep the ball bearings in place?
- 4. How are we going to keep the axle from coming out?
- 5. Do we need to model up all balls in the ball-bearing and produce an accurate model?
- 6. What dimensions do we need from the bearing?
- 7. How will you obtain this?
- 8. Is it important how much of a twist is on the blade?
- 9. Why do we need to break the Nacelle up into 2 parts?
- 10. How is the HUB going to be connected to the main axle?
- 11. Why couldn't we make the upper and lower mast just one piece?
- 12. Do you have any idea on how you will hide the joint line?
- 13. How are we going to hold the 2 nacelle parts together?
- 14. The Nacelle will swivel on the top of the mast How?



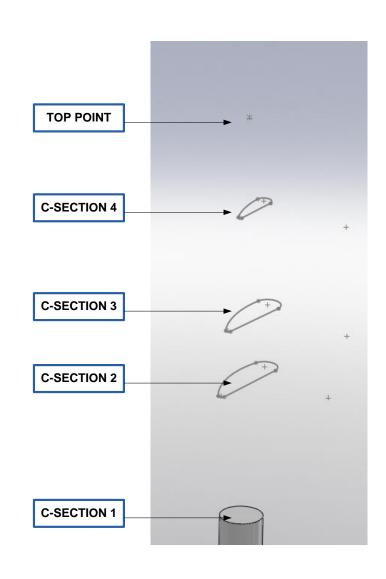
WIND TURBINE BLADE

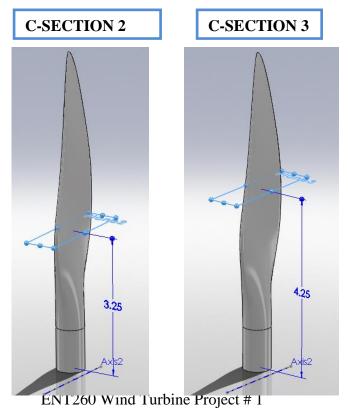
The blade is comprised of 1 extrusion (at the bottom) and a LOFT (4 cross – sections and a point.)

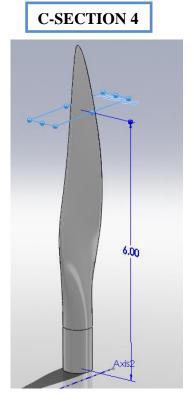
If AutoCAD won't let you use a point at the top of the blade – use a very small circle.

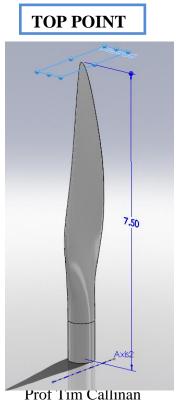
Shown below are the locations of each of the cross—sections.

CSECTION-1 EXTRUDE DISTANCE IS 1 INCH.





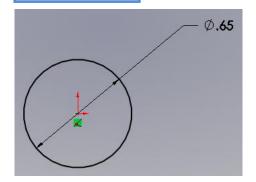




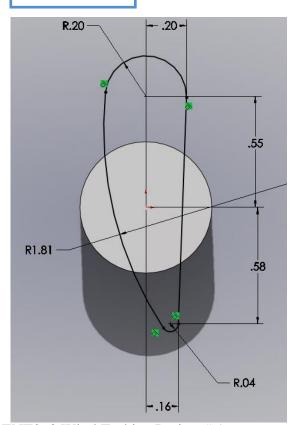
Here are the cross sections sketches for the LOFT. NOTICE how all of the dimensions reference the center point of the circle – **This is important.**

The large arcs (E.G: R1.64) – you don't need to know the center point of these. Use Tan, Tan, Radius circles.

C-SECTION 1

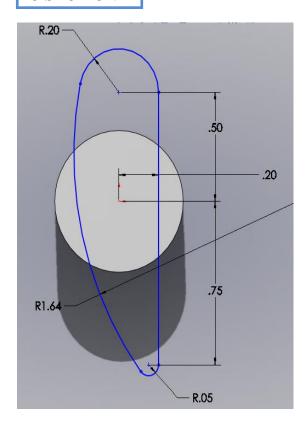


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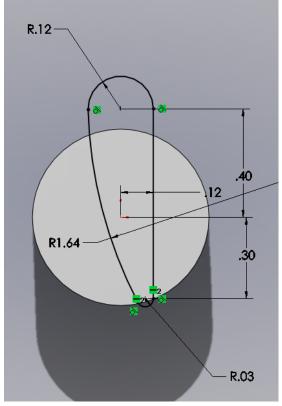


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C-SECTION 2



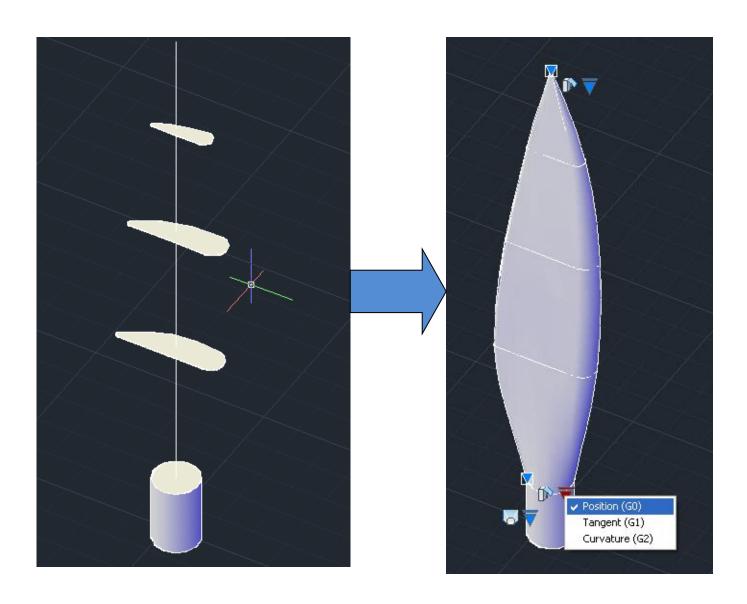
C-SECTION 4



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Make sure you convert each of your sketches to POLYLINES – From experience, I've found whenever I don't convert the lines to POLYLINES – it creates a surface loft. This means the LOFT has no thickness. In order to 3D print the part, you need to ensure that all your models are SOLID NOT SURFACE.

If everything has gone well, you should be left with 4 cross sections are shown to the left. These are my screen captures from AUTOCAD.



MODELING THE NACELLE

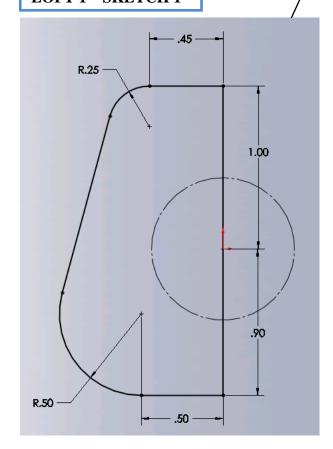
The Nacelle is comprised of 2 parts (Left & Right sections) This means, if we can successfully model up one side we can just MIRROR it to obtain the other side.

The nacelle is a complex enough part so I'm going to break it down step by step.

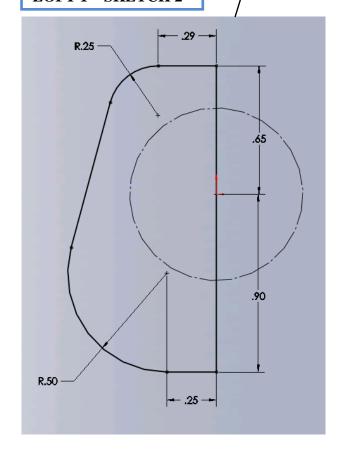
STEP 1: LOFT

The first loft is comprised of 2 sketches with a distance of 3 inches between them. Notice that the center points of the circle need to line up. Make sure that DELOBJ is set to zero. IF YOU CAN, MAKE THE LOFT NORMAL TO SKETCH 1. I WILL EXPLAIN THIS IN CLASS

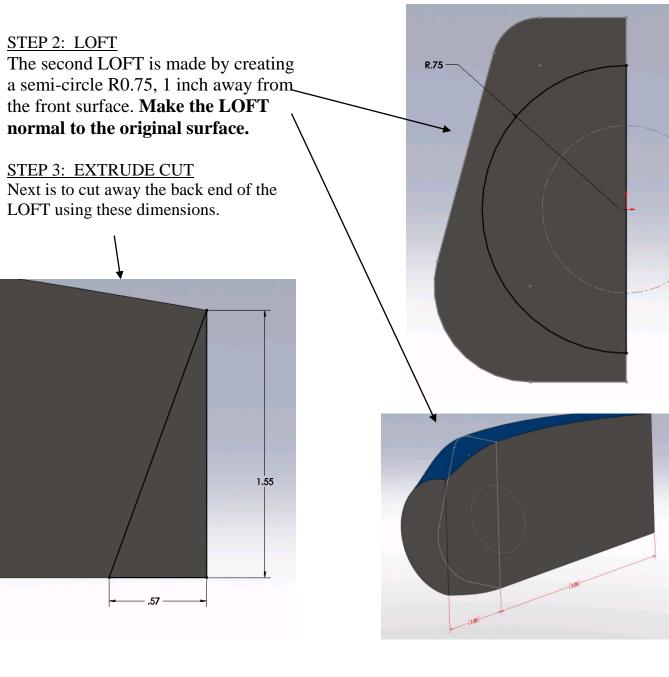
LOFT 1 – SKETCH 1



LOFT 1 – SKETCH 2

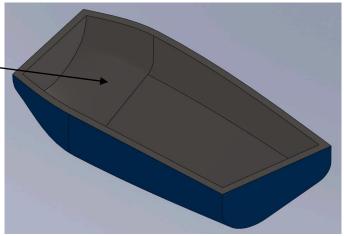


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STEP 4: SHELL

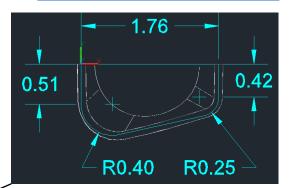
Use a shell command (distance = 0.1) to Shell the object. Why are we doing this?



STEP 5: LOFTS

Shown below is the Nacelle part with 2 added Lofts. What is the purpose in doing this? In order to put the LOFTS in, you need to know where they are in relation to the front. This is shown in the bottom left and the distance beside each sketch. Section planes will make it easier to place the sketches. Create both LOFTS and union them to the Nacelle.

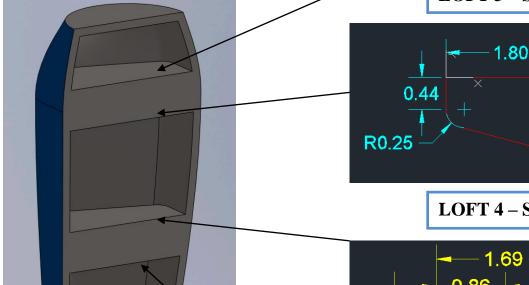
LOFT 3 – SKETCH 1



LOFT 3 – SKETCH 2

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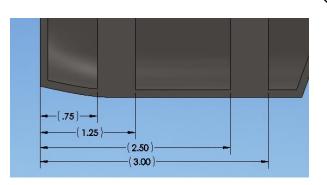
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LOFT 4 – SKETCH 1



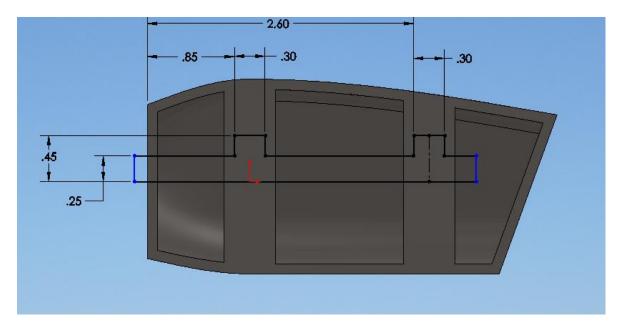
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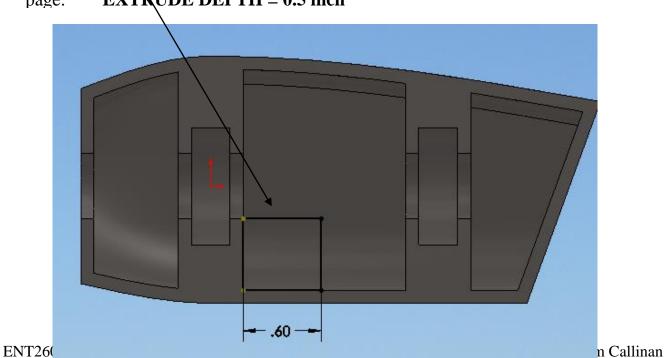
STEP 6: REVOLVE

In the previous step, we created material to sit the bearings in. In STEP 6, we will use a REVOLVE with SUBTRACT command to cut out the space for the bearings and the axle. Shown below are the dimensions.



STEP 7: EXTRUDE

We are nearly finished! If you look at the Nacelle in the assembly drawing, you will notice that we have a small axle coming up from the mast which allows the nacelle to spin. We need to add material in the center of the nacelle and then a semi circle in it using a revolve command – dimension on the next page. **EXTRUDE DEPTH = 0.5 inch**



When both Nacelles are put together, you should have a full circle in the bottom side in which the axle will sit into.

The dimensions for the revolve command are on the right.

If everything has gone well you should have something similar to the nacelle in the bottom. The last thing we need to do is MIRROR the part and add the holes.

GOOD WORK IF YOU

