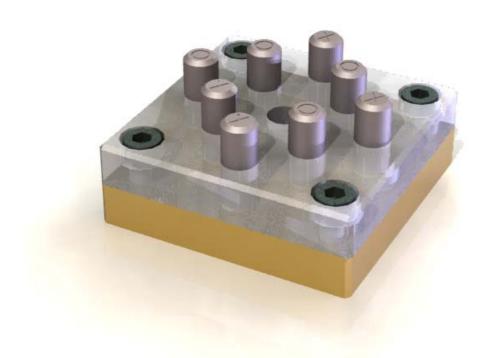
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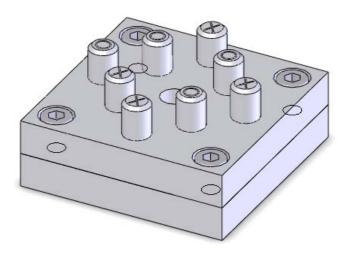
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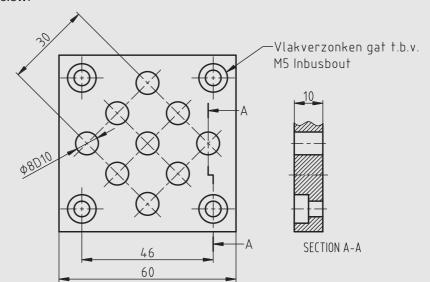
TIC-TAC-TOE

In this tutorial we will create a Tic-Tac-Toe game. The game consists of two plates that are on top of each other. In the top plate, there are holes for inserting small cylinders marked 'X' or 'O'. In this exercise we repeat a lot of tools we already know and add a few others: working with configurations and the use of standard Parts. Some new features in this tutorial include working with tolerances and fittings and working with patterns.



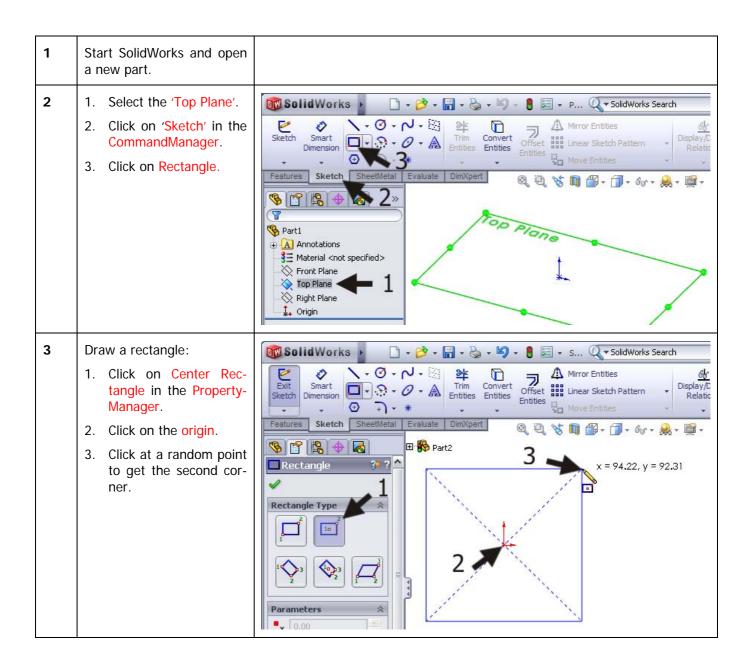
Work plan

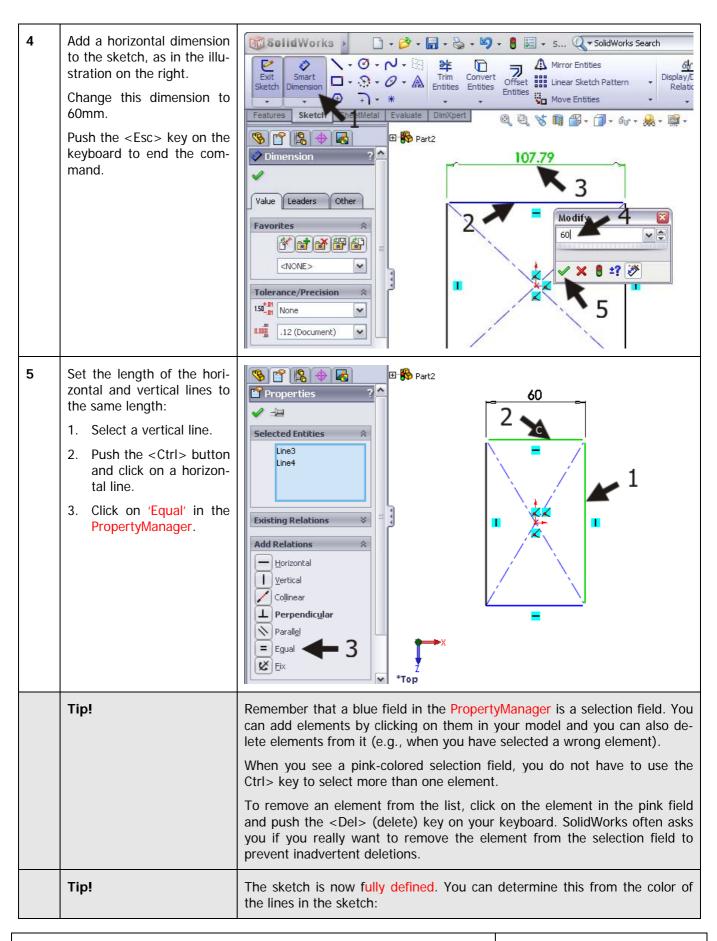
First, we will create the top plate. We will do this according to the drawing below.



We will execute following steps:

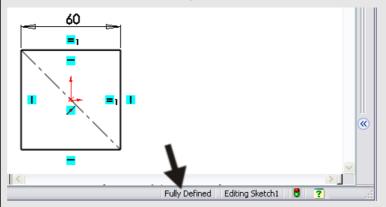
- 1. First, we will create the top plate first with dimensions 60 x 60 x 10.
- 2. Then, we will make four counter bore holes.
- 3. Finally, we will create a pattern of 9 holes.





- **Blue** means: the sketch is not fully defined.
- **Black** means: the sketch is fully defined.

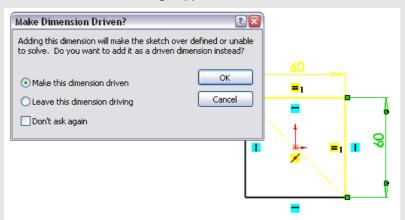
You can check if a sketch is fully defined in the status bar at the bottom of the screen. In SolidWorks it is not *mandatory* to make a fully defined sketch, but it is a good practice to do this because it can help you to avoid a lot of problems when creating a model later.



In addition to the colors blue and black, a line in a sketch can turn red or yellow.

- **Red** or **Yellow** means: the sketch is over-defined.

Try the following: set the dimension of the height of the square. The 'Make Dimension Driven?' message appears:

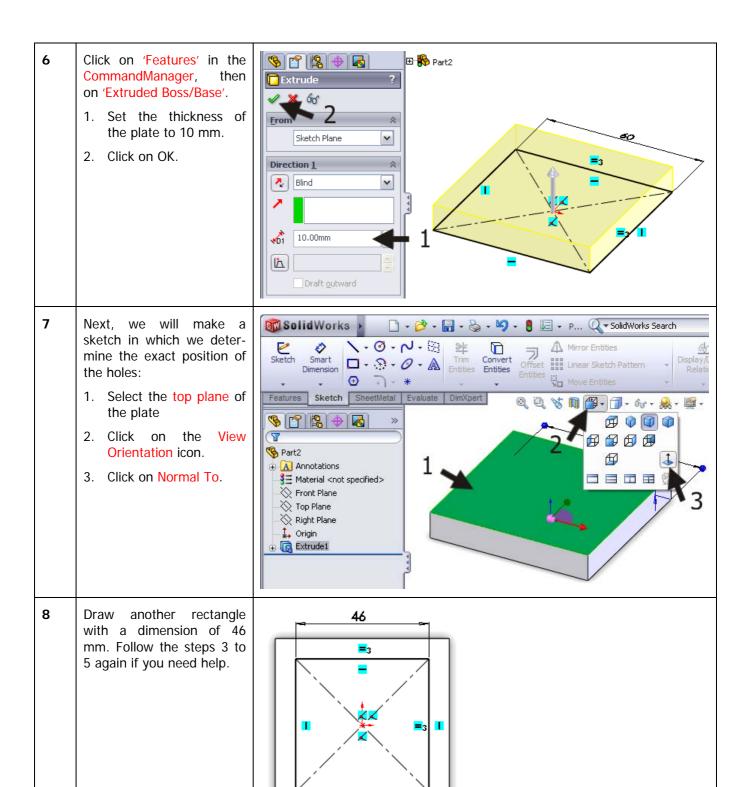


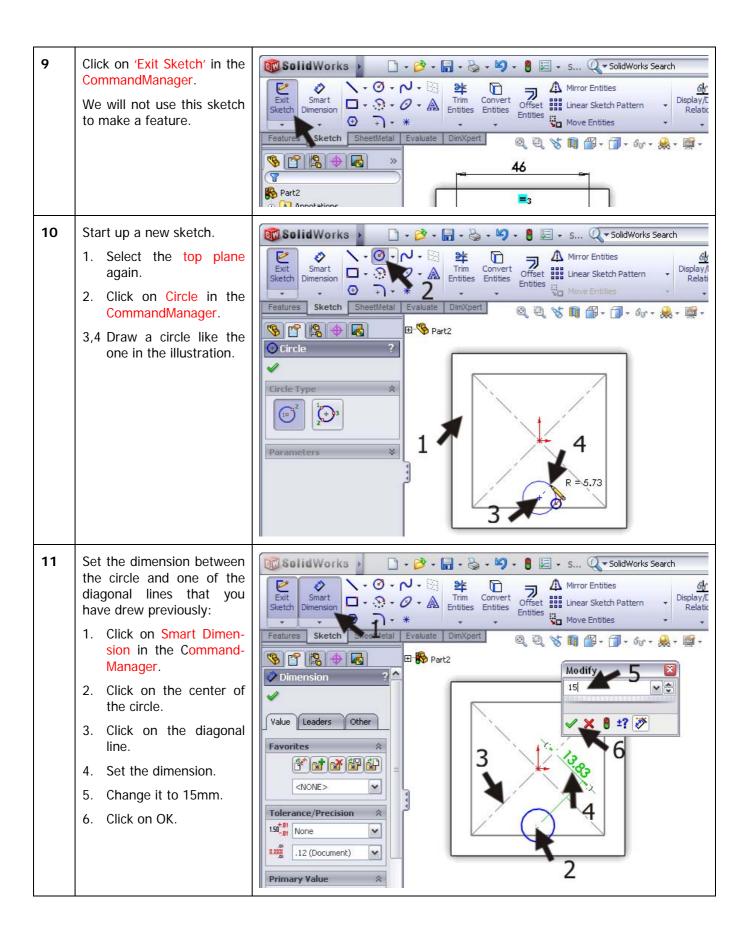
You have entered too much information because:

- The dimension you added says the height is 60mm.
- The relation between the two lines you have created before says the height is equal to the width, which is also 60.

The height is defined twice now, and this creates a conflict in SolidWorks. You must resolve this inconsistency. In the menu that is shown above, the best thing to do is choose 'Cancel'. The dimension will not be set.

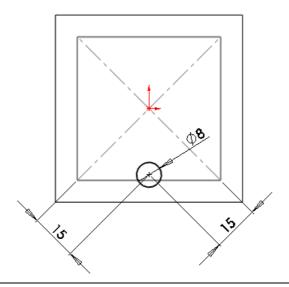
Did you make an over-defined sketch anyway? Then, throw away (delete) dimensions and/or relations, so that the sketch is no longer over-defined.



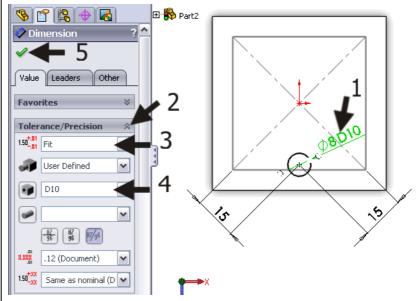


Next, set the dimension to the other diagonal line (15mm) and the diameter of the circle (Ø8mm).

Push the <Esc> key to close the Smart Dimension command.



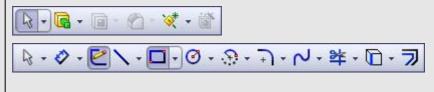
- To set an exact fitting to the hole (Ø8), execute the following steps:
 - 1. Select a dimension (it turns green).
 - Be sure that 'Tolerance/Precision' is visible in the PropertyManager. Click on the double arrows to reveal it.
 - 3. Set Tolerance type to 'Fit'.
 - 4. Select a fitting of D10 in the Hole Fit field.
 - 5. Click on OK.



Tip!

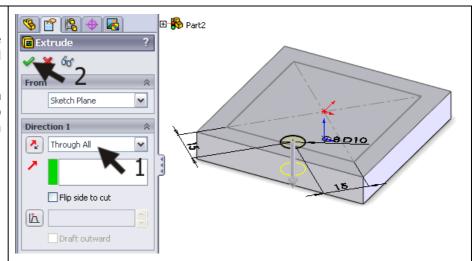
In this and the following tutorials, we will be using the commands from the CommandManager more often.

At this point, you should be getting used in working with SolidWorks and might find it more convenient to use the quick menu. This quick menu can be activated by pushing the 'S' on the keyboard. The most important and most frequently used commands will appear. You will see the commands and functions that are associated with the part of the menu in which you are working, so you will see different commands/functions when you are in a sketch mode than when you are in feature mode.

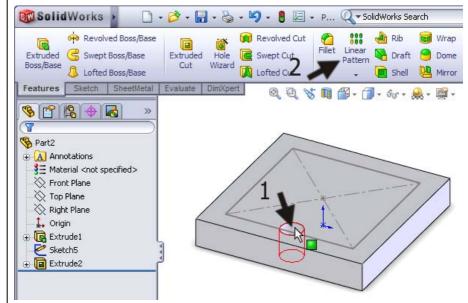


Make a hole in this sketch: click on 'Features' in the CommandManager and then on 'Extruded Cut'.

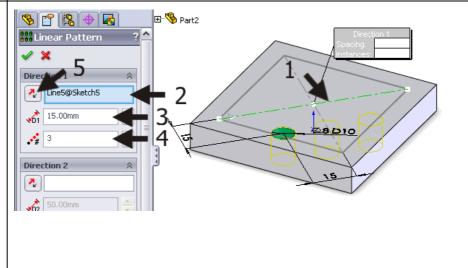
Set the depth of the hole in the PropertyManager to 'Through all' and click on OK.

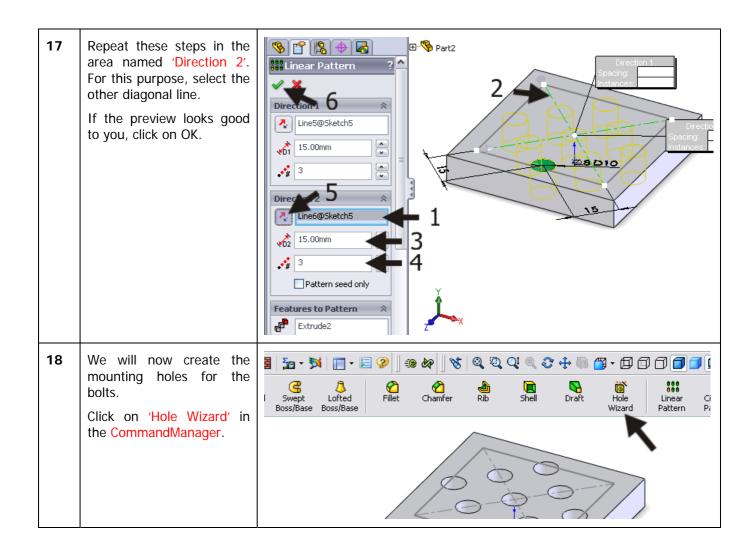


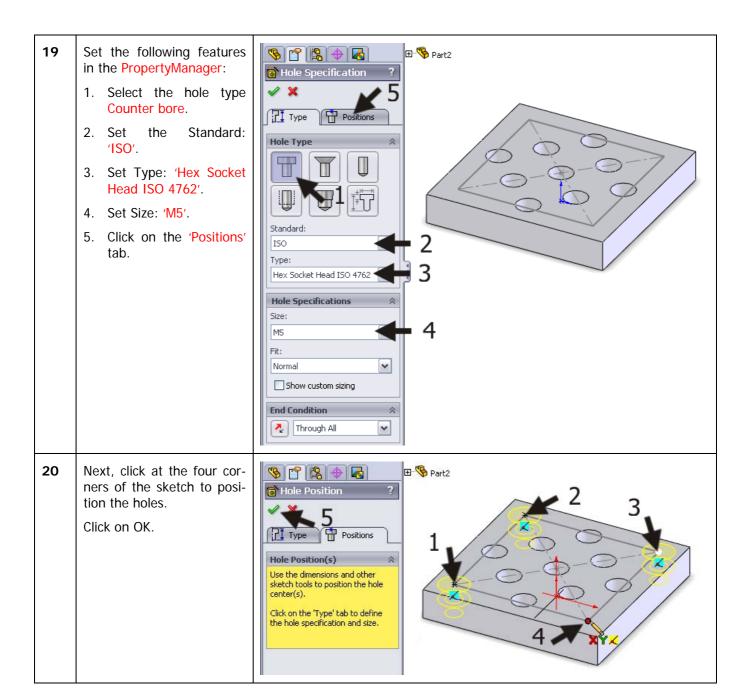
- We will complete the hole pattern now.
 - 1. Select the hole you just created.
 - 2. Click on the 'Linear pattern' icon in the CommandManager.

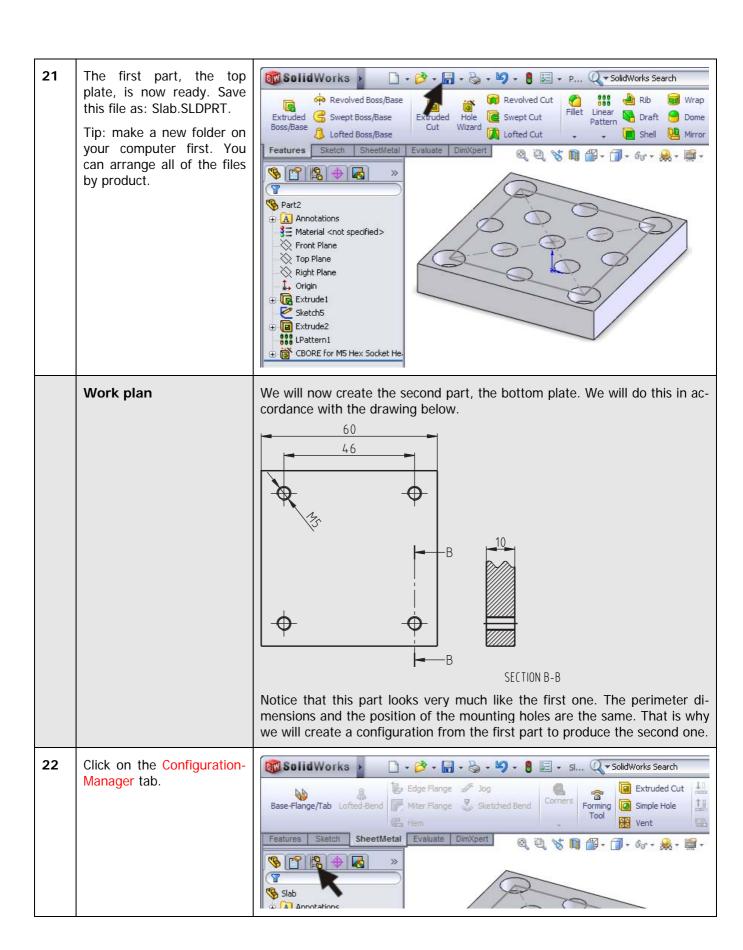


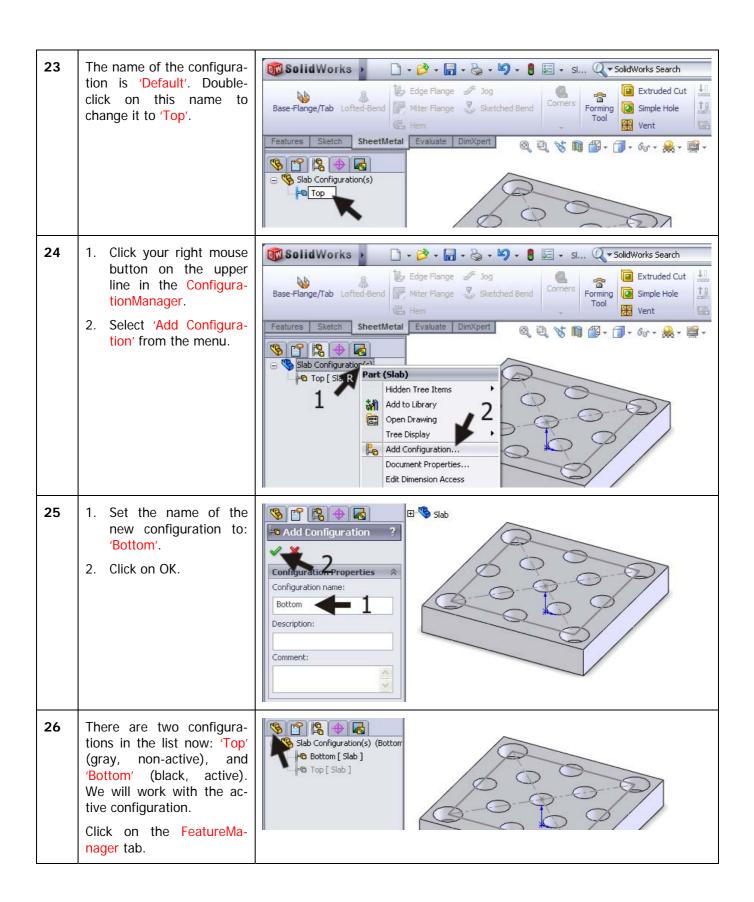
- Next, set following features:
 - 1. Select ONE of the diagonal lines.
 - 2. Check to make sure that the line appears in the selection field.
 - 3. Set the distance between the copies to 15mm.
 - 4. Set the number of copies to 3.
 - 5. Whenever the copies are placed on the wrong side, click on 'Reverse Direction'.











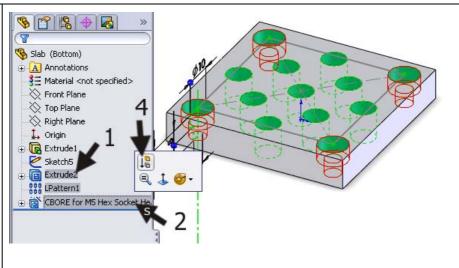


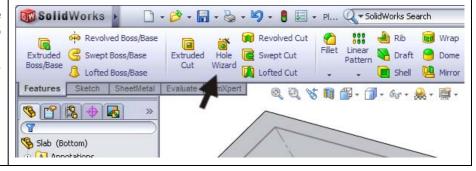
- 1. Click on the feature 'Extrude2'.
- 2. Hold the Shift key on the keyboard and click on the last feature.
- 3. Release the Shift key. The last three features are now selected, and a small options menu appears.
- 4. Select: Suppress in the menu.

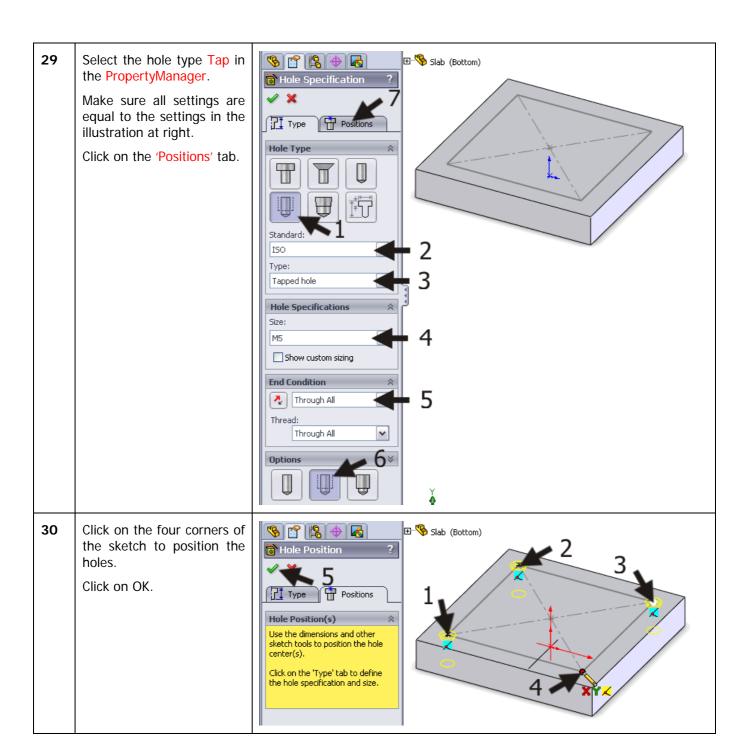
All holes have disappeared from the model.

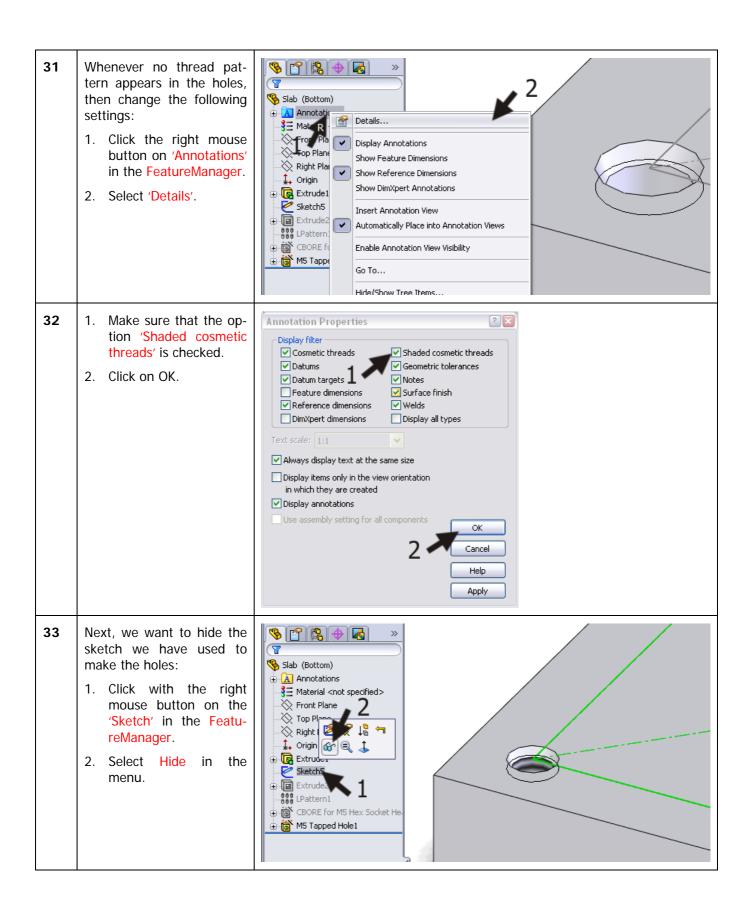
Next, we will make some tapped holes with M5 thread.

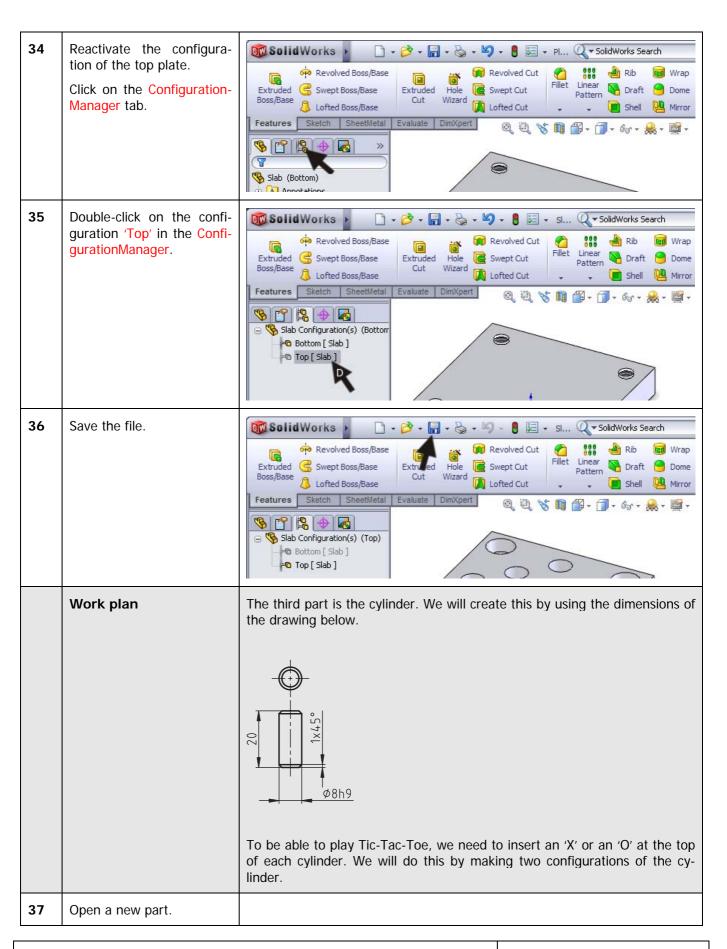
Click on the 'Hole Wizard' in the CommandManager.

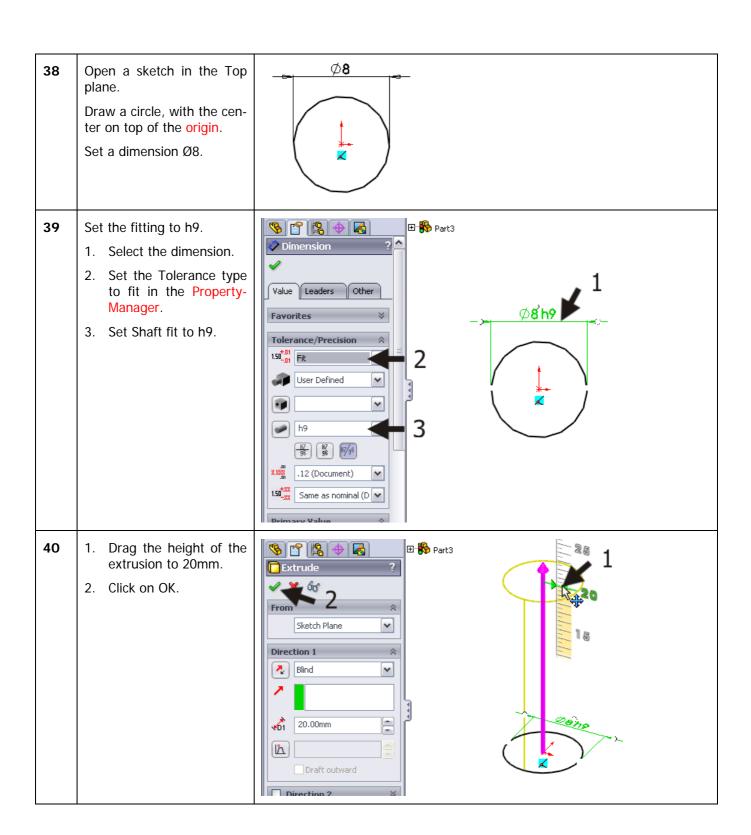


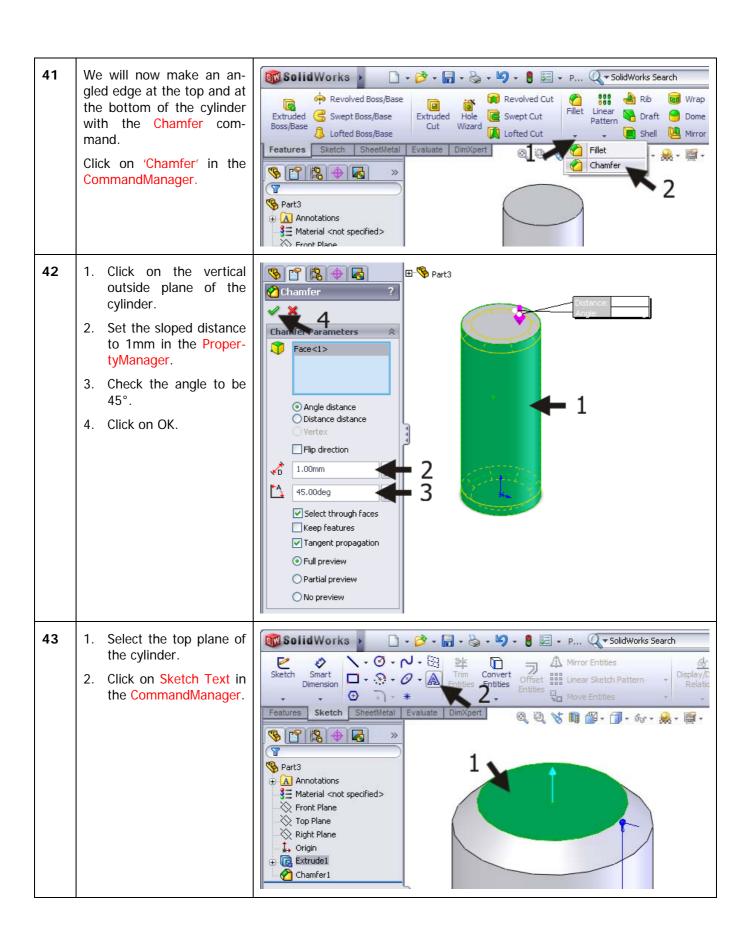


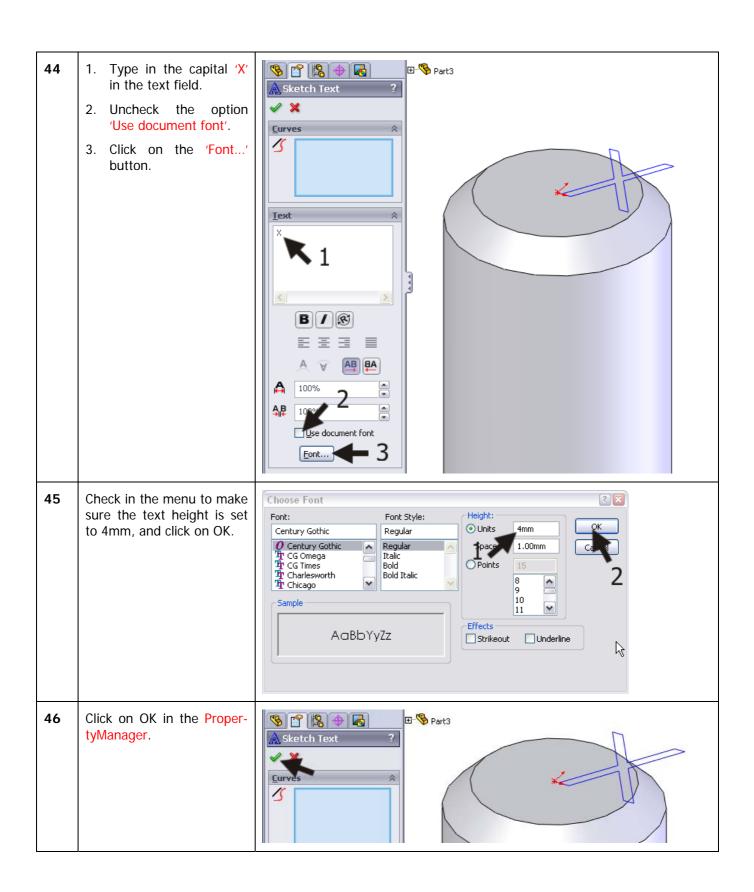


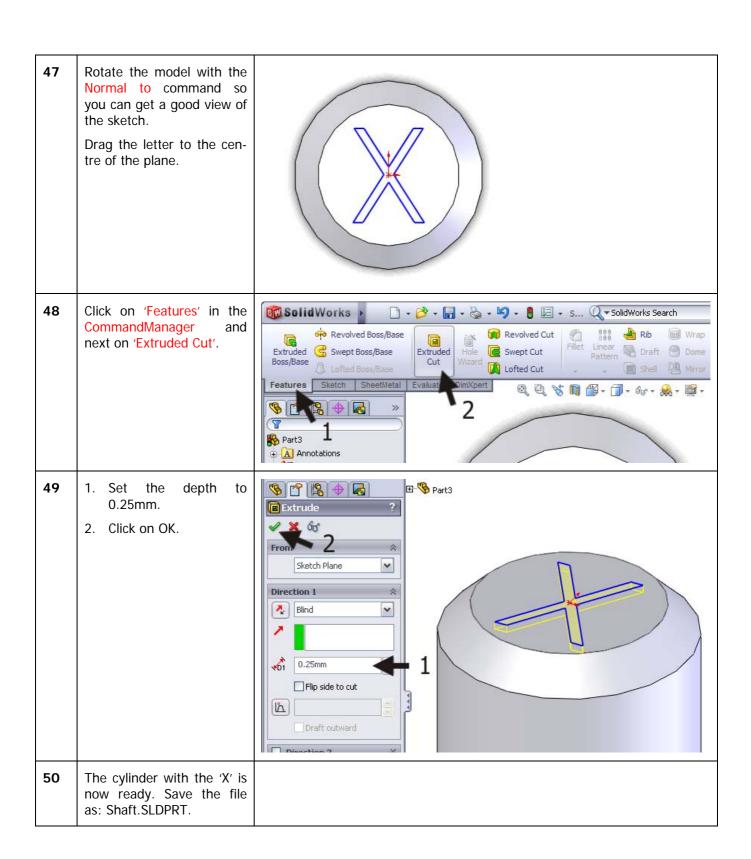


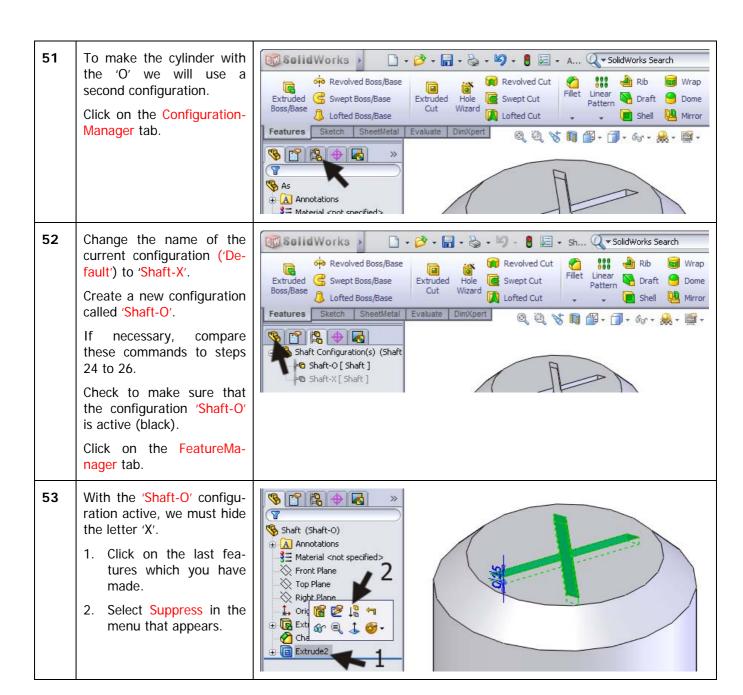


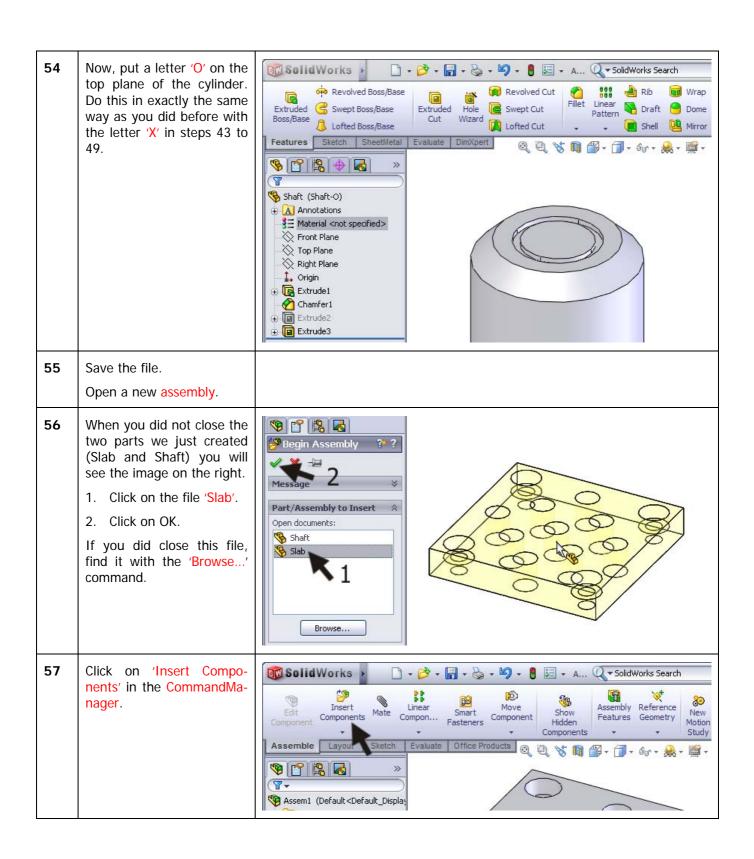


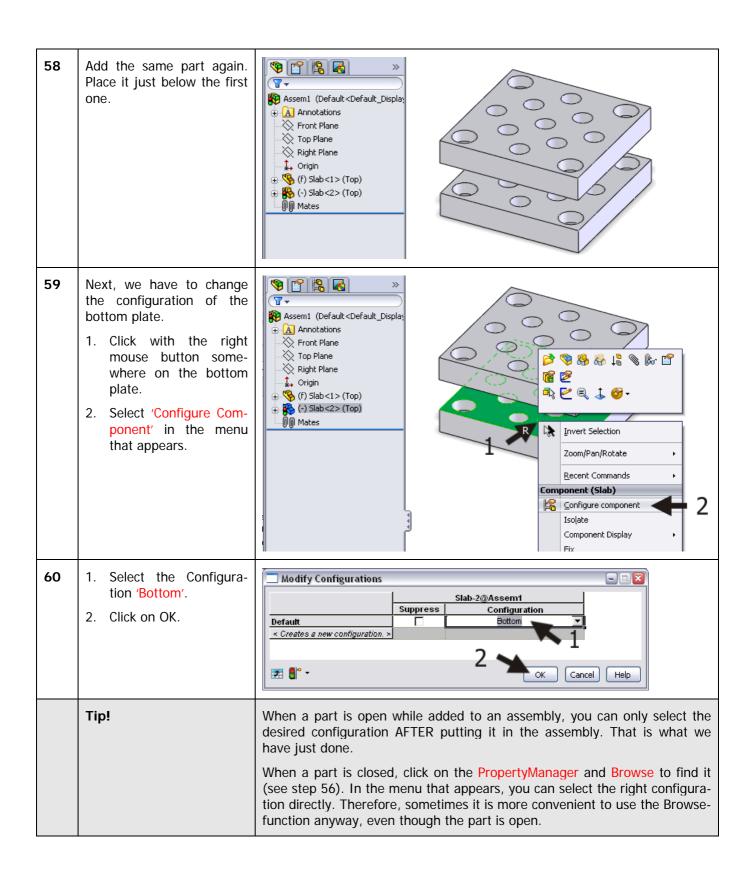


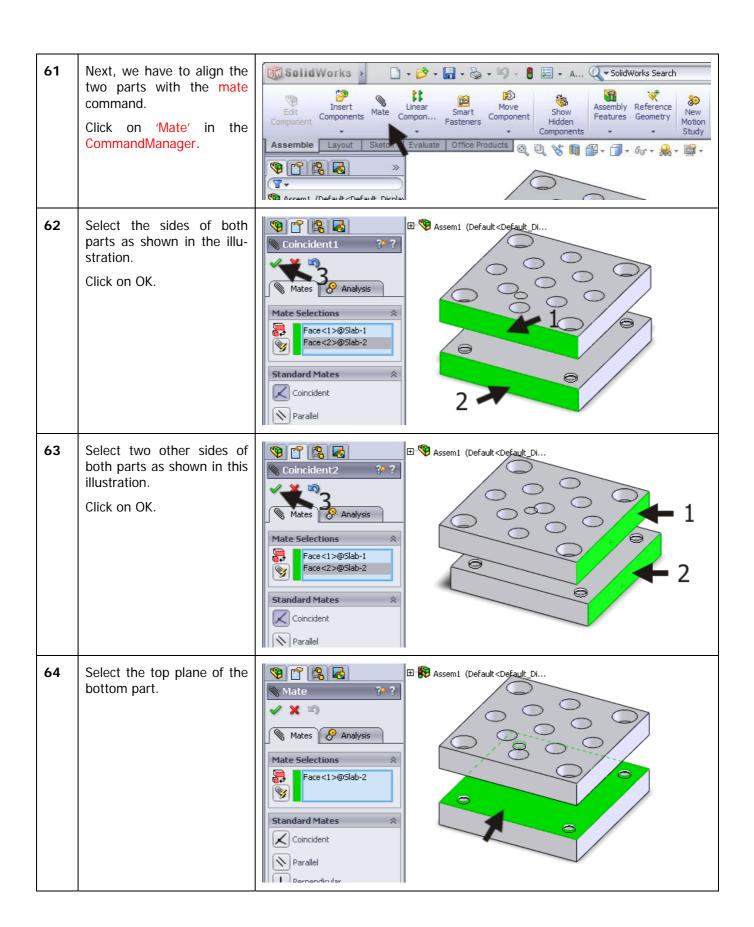






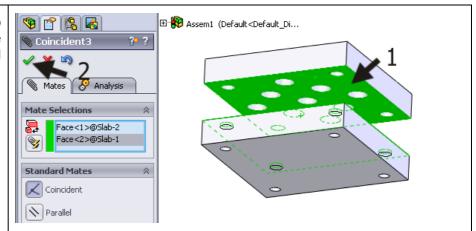






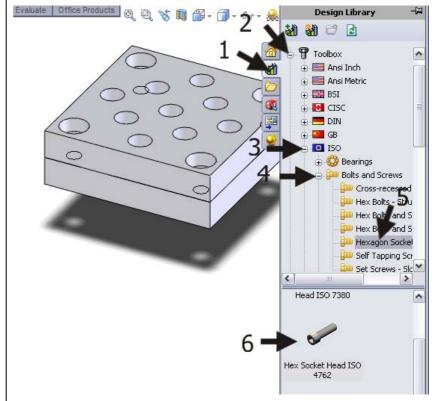
Next rotate the model so you get a good view of the bottom of the top part and select the bottom plane.

Double-click on OK.

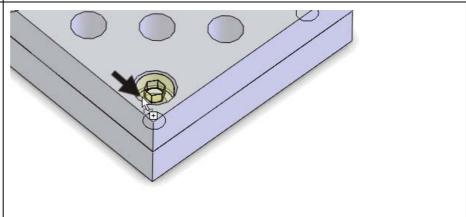


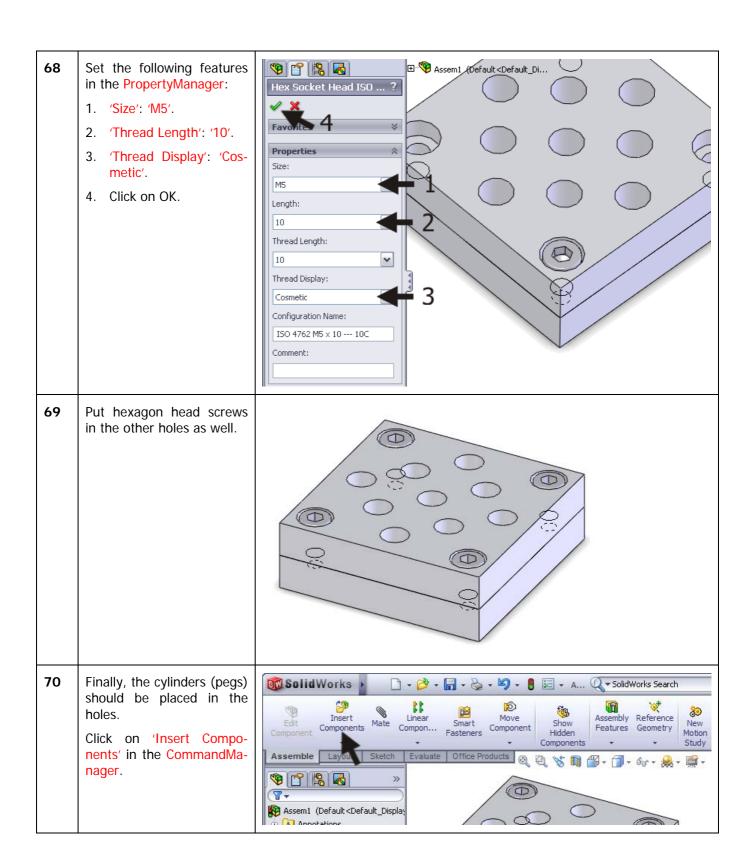
- Next we will put the hexagon socket head screws in the model.
 - 1. Open the Design Library in the Task Pane.
 - 2. Click on 'Toolbox'.
 - 3. 'ISO'.
 - 4. 'Bolts and Screws'.
 - 5. 'Hexagon Socket Head Screws'.
 - 6. Select:

'Hex Socket Head ISO 4762'.



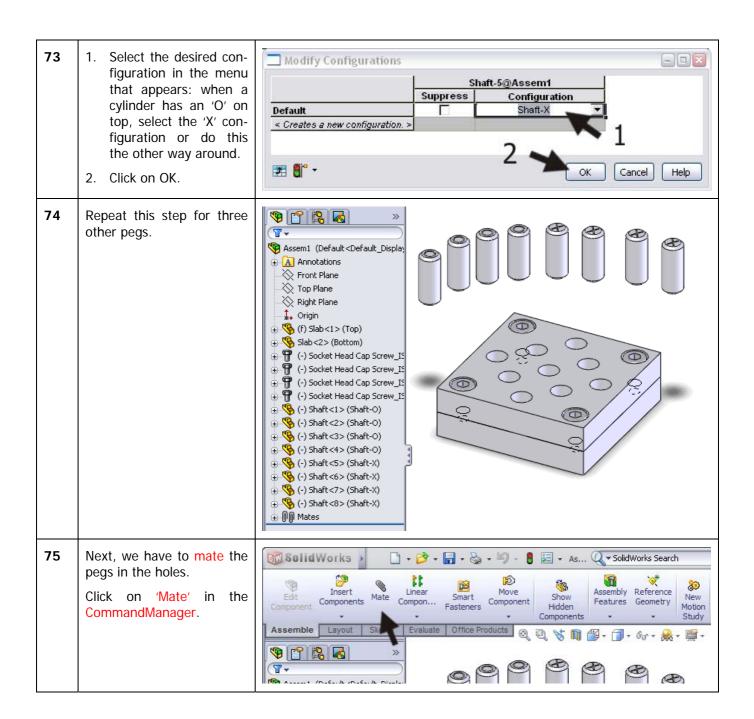
Drag the bolt to your model. Release the mouse button at the lower edge of one of the countersink holes.





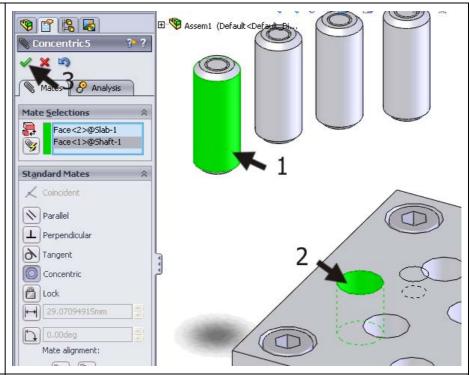
71 **9 2 3** Place the cylinder or peg in the assembly 8 times at a Assem1 (Default < Default_Display</p> random position. Annotations Note that it does not mat-🚫 Front Plane 🚫 Top Plane ter is you pick an 'X' or 'O' Right Plane cylinders. We will change 🗼 Origin four of them later. ♣ % (f) Slab<1> (Top) 🤏 Slab<2> (Bottom) 🕁 📅 (-) Socket Head Cap Screw_IS 🕁 📅 (-) Socket Head Cap Screw_IS (-) Socket Head Cap Screw_IS (-) Socket Head Cap Screw_IS 🤏 (-) Shaft<1> (Shaft-0) ⊕ 🦠 (-) Shaft<2> (Shaft-0) ⊕ 🧐 (-) Shaft<3> (Shaft-0) 🗓 🦠 (-) Shaft<4> (Shaft-0) % (-) Shaft<5> (Shaft-0) ★ 「今 (-) Shaft <6> (Shaft-O) 🤏 (-) Shaft<7> (Shaft-0) (-) Shaft<8> (Shaft-0) Mates Tip! You can use the Insert Components command 8 times to insert the pegs, but it is much quicker to drag the part from the FeatureManager, holding the <Ctrl> key. A copy of the part is made every time you do so. 72 Next, we will change the 🔁 % 🥙 👫 🚳 letter on four of the pegs. ra 🥦 Right-click on a peg and 🔩 😉 🗸 select 'Configure component'. Invert Selection Zoom/Pan/Rotate Recent Commands Component (Shaft) Configure component Component Display Move with Triad Copy with Mates Parent/Child... Feature (Extrude1) Feature Properties...

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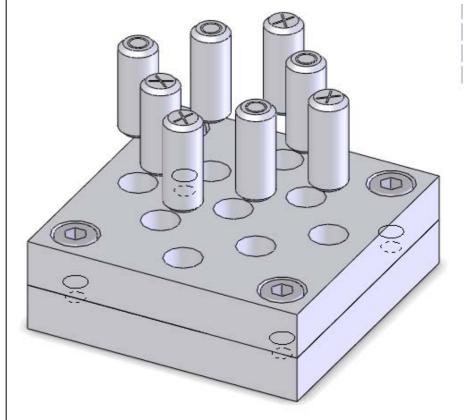


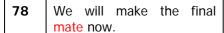
Select the two planes as shown in the illustration on the right.

Click on OK.

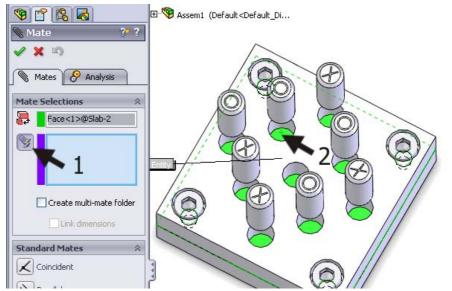


77 Repeat the last step for all the pegs and select a different hole for every peg. The height of the pegs is not yet been determined. You can still move all of the pegs up and down by dragging them.

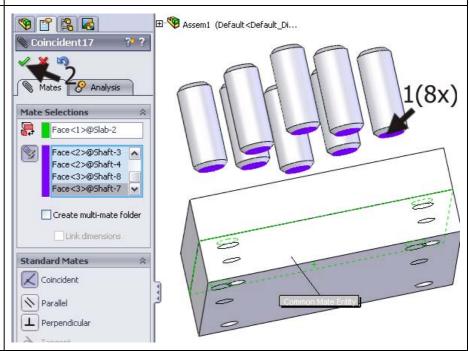




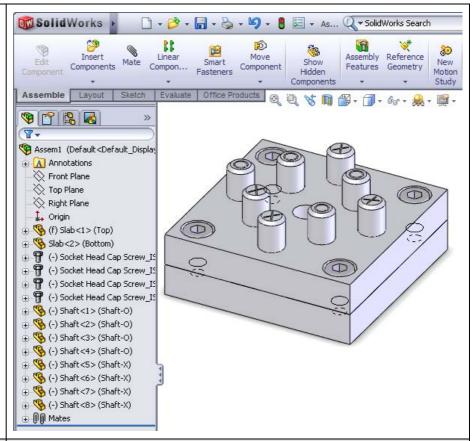
- Click on the Multiple Mate Mode in the PropertyManager.
- 2. Rotate the model so you get a good view of the INSIDE of a hole. Through the hole you can see the top plane of the bottom part. Select this plane.



- Rotate the model again so you can see the bottom side of the pegs.
 - 1. Select the bottom side of all pegs.
 - 2. Click on OK.



The assembly is ready now. Save the file as: Tictactoe.SLDASM.



What are the main features you have learned in this tutorial?

In this tutorial we have repeated allot of what we have seen and done before:

- Creating simple parts and shapes.
- Working with configurations.
- Working with standard parts.
- Working with the Hole Wizard.

We have also learned some new topics:

- You have set fittings at holes and/or pegs.
- You have seen how to use text in a sketch.
- You have learned some new tricks.

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