

AutoCAD Tutorials

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- This is a set of Tutorials that cover Basic use of the AutoCAD Software
- The material presented here is my notes on the related subject.
 - It is subject to change,
 - It is not intended to be fully polished material
- I put this material together to provide a logical presentation of the basic features of AutoCAD. Typically presented to students that fit into two categories
 - They have never used AutoCAD, they have taken an introduction to a parametric modeling software (usually Solidworks or Autodesk Inventor)
 - They have taken an introductory AutoCAD course, typically several year earlier
- This material helps focus the students on what I think is the important fundamentals related to.
 - Geometric Construction of 2D drawings: Single View and Multi-view
 - Organization of AutoCAD drawings, including: Blocks, Arrays, Layers, Styles, and Properties

The Lessons:

Lesson 1 - Geometric Construction

Concepts: Circle, Line, Object Snap, Fillet, trim, Quick Dimensions

- Outlines: [Geometric Construction](#), [Quick Printing](#)
- [Chronicle](#) (Video)

Lesson 2 - Quick Printing

Concepts: Extents, Fit, Center, Monochrome

- Outlines: [Quick Printing](#)
- [Chronicle](#) (Video)

Lesson 3 - Geometric Construction and Quick Printing

Concepts: Layers, Linetypes (LTSCALE), Blocks, Arrays, Layers, Properties

- Outline: [Drawing Organization](#)
- [Chronicle](#) (Video)

Lesson 4 - Multi-view Drawings

Concepts: Construction Lines, Offset, Manage Properties, Hatch, Lineweight

- Outline: [Multi-view construction](#)
- Chronicles (Video): [Part 1](#), [Part 2](#), [Part 3](#)

Lesson 5 – Auxiliary Views

Concepts: Polar settings / tracking, Ellipse

- Outline: [Auxiliary View Construction](#)
- Chronicles (Video): [Part 1](#), [Part 2](#)

Lesson 6 – Dimension Styles

Concepts: Dimension: Linear, Continued, Radius, Diameter, Center. Dim Style: Dim Scale, Center marks, Precision. Text: Override, symbols

- Outlines: [Dimension Styles](#)
- Chronicles (Video): [Part 1](#), [Part 2](#)

Lesson 7 – Printing Layouts

Concepts: Model / Layout, Model / Paper Space, Viewports / Scales, Border / Titleblock, Page Setup Manager

- Outlines: [Printing layouts](#)
- Chronicles (Video): [Part 1](#), [Part 2](#), [Another Example](#)

Lesson 8 – Standard Dimensioning Practice

Concepts: Standard Practices – Center marks and lines, Dimensioning Standard Features, Multileader / Multileader Style. Symbols.

- Outlines: [Standard Dimensioning Practice](#)
- Chronicles (Video): [Centerlines](#). [Part 1](#), [Part 2](#), [Part 3](#)