## **Tutorial 3 - Assembly**

## Clamp

In this tutorial we are going to make a clamp. Many of the topics we will use you have seen already, but we are also going to show you some new tools, including:

- Movements in an assembly.
- The creation of a rendering with PhotoWorks.

First, we are going to mold the parts, and then we will make the assembly, in which you can see the exact movements of the product. Finally, we are going to make a rendering in PhotoWorks.















18	Draw a horizontal line as illustrated on the right. The beginning of the line is at the upper surface of the model. The endpoint is on the ver- tical centerline. Push the <esc> key to ab- ort the line command.</esc>	Solid Works   Smart   Smart   Smart   Smart   Smart   Smart   Sixetch   Dimension   Sketch   Weldments   Evaluate   DimXpert   Sketch   Veldments   Evaluate   Part1   Line   Part1   Line   Sketch   Part1   Sketch   Sketch <t< th=""></t<>
19	Now, draw a second line as shown. The beginning of the line is exactly on the beginning of the last line you drew. The line is not positioned vertically but at a slight an- gle in relation to the vertical centerline.	SolidWorks     SolidWorks     Swart   Dimension     Trim   Convert   Intites   Offset   Intites   Offset   Intites   Nove Entites     V     V     V     V    V
20	<ol> <li>Click on Arc in the CommandManager.</li> <li>Click on Tangent Arc in the PropertyManager.</li> <li>Click on the endpoint of the line you have just drawn to get the first point of the arc.</li> <li>To get the endpoint of the arc, click on the centerline as shown.</li> <li>Click the <esc> key to abort the command.</esc></li> </ol>	Solid Works Smart Smart Sketch Dimension Peatures Sketch Weldments Varuete DimXpert Parameters Parameters Sketch Parameters Sketch Parameters Sketch







30	Select the right plane in the model and make the sketch as shown. If you can do it yourself, then continue to Step 37, if not, follow the few next steps.	
31	Draw a line similar to the one in the illustration.	Solid Works     Smart   Smart   Dimension   Image: status     Image: status <
32	<ul> <li>Use the Autotransitioning technique that we used before when we wanted to draw a part of a circle using the line command.</li> <li>1. Move the cursor away from the last point that you drew.</li> <li>2. Replace the cursor exactly to the last point again (do NOT click on it!)</li> <li>3. Move the cursor away and you will be drawing an arc.</li> <li>4. Click as shown in the illustration to set an arc.</li> </ul>	Image: Constraint of the current line, settings for the next new line.     Existing Relations

33	Click on the spot as shown on the right. Use the dotted auxiliary line: it is aligned to the cir- cle. Note the two yellow icons near the cursor. These must be visible at the mo- ment that you set the end- point.	Image: Section of the current line, sketch a new line.     Existing Relations     Image: Section of the current line, sketch a new line.
34	Click on the beginning of the first line now.	Image: Section and the current line, steatings for the next new line.     Existing Relations     Image: Section and the current line, steatings for the next new line.
35	Draw a circle with its mid- point on the midpoint of the arc.	SolidWorks       SolidWorks       SolidWorks       SolidWorks       Search         Exit       Smart       Smart       Smart       Smart       SolidWorks       So
36	Set the dimensions as shown on the right.	











50	<ul> <li>We want to round the four corners now.</li> <li>1. Click on Sketch Fillet in the CommandManager.</li> <li>2. Set the radius to '8mm' in the PropertyManager.</li> <li>3. Click on the bottom corner as shown.</li> <li>4,5 Click on both lines which we want to connect with a bended line.</li> </ul>	SolidWorks Smart Smart Dimpersion Sketch Dimpersion Sketch Weidments Sketch Weidments Sketch Weidments Sketch Weidments Sketch Weidments Sketch Weidments Sketch Weidments Sketch Weidments Sketch Weidments Sketch
51	A message appears. Click on 'Yes'.	SotidWorks  The corner to be filleted has geometry relations which will be deleted if the fillet is created. Do you want to continue?  Yes No
	Explanation!	What does the message in Step 51 mean?
		The upper sloped lines in the sketch are mirrored lines (from Step 46). For this reason, the lines are connected together by a relation: they are sym- metrical around the centerline and equally long. When you want to round one of these lines, their lengths will not be equal anymore. The symmetry will be disconnected or destroyed and that is what the software warns you about. The lines were black (fully defined) but after you click on 'Yes' and the
		symmetry is disconnected, they will turn blue (not fully defined). We will show you how to resolve this later.



55	<ol> <li>Select both (use the <ctrl> key).</ctrl></li> <li>Click on 'Equal' in the PropertyManager.</li> </ol>	Properties Properties Selected Entities Arc7 Arc8 Existing Relations Corcadial Tangent Corcadial Tangent Corcentric Egual Selected Functions Tangent Corcentric Egual Selected Functions Tangent Corcentric Egual Selected Functions Tangent Corcentric Estimations Tangent Corcentric Estimations Tangent Corcentric Estimations Tangent Corcentric Estimations Tangent Corcentric Estimations Tangent Corcentric Estimations Tangent Corcentric Estimations Tangent Corcentric Estimations Tangent Corcentric Estimations Tangent Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Estimations Corcentric Co
56	We will make a part with sheetmetal from this sketch. Make sure the tab 'Sheet- Metal' is displayed in the CommandManager. If not, right-click on one of the other tabs and select the 'SheetMetal' function in the pop-up menu.	SolidWorks       Image: So
57	<ol> <li>Click on 'SheetMetal' in the CommandManager.</li> <li>Click on 'Base- Flange/Tab'.</li> </ol>	SolidWorks SolidWorks Search Base-Flange/Tab Lofted-Bend Corners Cor
58	<ol> <li>Set the thickness for the material to '2.5mm' in the PropertyManag- er.</li> <li>Click on OK.</li> </ol>	Sheet Metal Parameters   Reverse direction     Bend Allowance     K-Factor     Part2

59	We will now make a double bend in the sheet. This is called a Jog. Select the flat surface from the model and make the sketch as shown: is con- sists of one horizontal line and a dimension.	
60	Click on 'Jog' in the Com- mandManager.	SolidWorks       •
61	<ol> <li>First, click on the part of the model that must be fixed. Click on the spot as indicated.</li> <li>Set the distance to '3mm'.</li> <li>This distance is called the Outside Offset.</li> <li>Select the option Bend centerline to set the position of the jog.</li> <li>Make sure that the jog goes backwards with the Reverse direction command as shown in the illustration.</li> <li>Click on OK.</li> </ol>	Image: Section Sect

62	Next' we have to bend the upper end of the arm. Select the plane as shown and make a sketch. Draw a vertical line and set the distance to '110mm' from the origin.	
63	Click on 'Sketched Bend' in the CommandManager.	SolidWorks >
64	<ol> <li>Again, you will have to indicate first which plane stays fixed. Click on the spot as indi- cated in the illustra- tion.</li> <li>Set the angel to '90°'.</li> <li>Make sure that this part of the sheetmetal is bending in the right direction with Reverse direction. The arrow in the model indicating the direction must point backwards.</li> <li>Click on OK.</li> </ol>	Sketched Bend Sketched Bend Sketched Bend Parameters Face<1> Bend position: Bend position: Bend position: Bend position: Custom Bend Allowance V
65	This model is now finished. Save it as: Arm- right.SLDPRT.	

66	<ul> <li>We need a mirrored copy from this part. This is very easy to create.</li> <li>1. Select the plane in the model as shown. This is the 'mirror' for the mirror command (the mirror 'axis').</li> <li>2. Open the pull-down menus.</li> <li>3. Click on 'Insert' in the pull-down menus.</li> <li>4. Click on 'Mirror Part'.</li> </ul>	Solid Works       File       Edit       View       Insert       Tools       Toolbox       PhotoWorks       Window       Help       Tools         Sketch       Sratt       Image: Sketch       Image: Sketch
67	Click on OK in the Proper- tyManager.	Insert Part   Inabsorbed sketches
68	A new file has opened con- taining the mirrored part. This part is constrained to the original part. If you change the original, the mirrored copy will also change. Save this part as: Arm- left.SLDPRT.	Part3 -> Annotations Attential <not specified=""> Front Plane Right Plane Origin Arm-right_Mirrored -&gt;</not>
	Work plan	The next part is a bracket. This is much simpler than the last part. How would you handle this? Make a plan!







77	Make a second 'Jog' at the other end of the bracket. Do exactly the same as you did in the last two steps, only now set the vertical line '12.5mm' from the right hole.	Image: Selections   Fixed Face:   Face<1>   Image: Selections   Image: Selections <td< th=""></td<>
78	Save the file as: link.SLDPRT.	
		We will make the pin now. This is a simple part that you can probably make by yourself without any problem. We only provide the main steps.

79	Open a new part and make the sketch as shown on the front plane. It consists only of one circle. Extrude this circle with a length of '100mm'.	() () () () () () () () () () () () () (
80	Make a sketch as shown. Use the centerline to make sure that the rectangle is exactly in the middle of the circle. The height of the rectangle does not matter.	
81	<ul> <li>Make an Extruded Cut from this sketch.</li> <li>1. The depth is '15mm'.</li> <li>2. Check the option 'Flip side to cut' to make sure that the material on the outside of the rectangle will be removed and not on the inside, like we would do with a normal Extruded Cut.</li> </ul>	Image: Constraint of the second o

82	Make the sketch as shown. Draw the diagonal center- line. Next draw a circle on the midpoint of the center- line. Make an Extruded Cut with a depth set to 'Through All' from this sketch.	
83	Finally, chamfer the end of the pin by '1mm x 45°' us- ing the Chamfer feature.	Select through Fares   Part5 P
84	Save the file as Rod.SLDPRT.	

	Work plan	The next part is the cap. It only consists of one feature: a Revolved Boss.
85	Open a new part and make the sketch as shown on the front plane. Make the sketch complete without any fillets. Only when the sketch is done, use the Sketch Fillet com- mand. Make a Revolved Boss, over '360°' from this sketch.	
86	Save the file as Sock- et.SLDPRT.	

Work plan	Finally, we have to build a rivet. This is also a part made from only one Revolved Boss feature. We need two lengths of rivets though: '16mm' and '11mm'. That is why we will make two configurations from this part.
Open a new part. Make the sketch as shown on the front plane. You can of course draw half of the sketch first and mirror it around the center- line. The sloped edge must be done with the Sketch Chamfer command.	
	Open a new part. Make the sketch as shown on the front plane. You can of course draw half of the sketch first and mirror it around the center- line. The sloped edge must be done with the Sketch

88	<ol> <li>Select the upper horizontal line in the sketch. This will be our rotation axis.</li> <li>Click on 'Revolved Boss/Base'.</li> <li>Click on OK in the PropertyManager to make the rotation.</li> </ol>	Solid Works       Swept Boss/Base       Revolved Boss/Base       Revolved Cut       Swept Boss/Base       Rb       Wrap         Extruded       Swept Boss/Base       Extruded       Swept Cut       Filet       Linear       Doraft       Doraft       Doraft         Boss/Base       Lofted Boss/Base       2       Vizard       Lofted Cut       Swept Cut       Shell       Wirror         Features       Sketch       SheetMetal       Evaluate       DimXpert       Sign + 1 + Sign + Sig
89	Go to the Configuration- Manager.	Part6 Part6 Material <not specified=""> Front Plane Right Plane Civicin</not>
90	Change the name of the current configuration from 'Default' to '16mm'.	Parts Configuration(s)
91	<ul> <li>Add a new configuration.</li> <li>1. Right-click on the upper line.</li> <li>2. Click on 'Add configuration'.</li> </ul>	Parté Configuration Part (Part6) Part (Part6) Part (Part6) Hidden Tree Items Add to Library Open Drawing Tree Display Add Configuration Document Propertier
92	<ol> <li>Name for the new configuration '11mm'.</li> <li>Click on OK.</li> </ol>	Part6 Add Configuration ? Configuration name: 11mm Description 1 Part6 Configuration properties (Configuration name) 11mm Description 1 Configuration name) Configuration name) Configurati

93	<ol> <li>Double-click on the model. The dimensions appear.</li> <li>Double-click on the dimension '16mm'. The 'Modify' menu appears.</li> <li>Change the size to '11mm'.</li> <li>Select 'This configuration'. The changed value will only be altered in the active configuration now and not in the other one.</li> <li>Click on Rebuild to activate the changes.</li> <li>Click on OK.</li> </ol>	Parts (11mm)
94	This part is ready too. Save it as Rivet.SLDPRT.	
95	All parts of the clamp are now ready, so we can start building the assembly. Try it yourself first. If you fail, follow the steps below. Open a new assembly.	
96	Place the base in the as- sembly, next the pin and the cap. You can place all items at random on the screen.	

97	<ol> <li>Click on 'Mate' in the CommandManager.</li> <li>Select the two planes from the pin and the base as illustrated on the right.</li> <li>Because the pin is in the wrong direction, you must click on Anti- Aligned in the Com- mandManager. The pin is reversed now.</li> <li>Click on OK.</li> </ol>	Image: Standard Mates   Image: Standard Mat
98	Select the two planes as shown. Click on OK.	B Assem2 (Default <default_di Concentric3 Mate Selections Face&lt;1&gt;@Rod-1 Face&lt;2&gt;@Socket-1 Parallel Perpendicular Tangent Concentric Lock H 45:37199688mm H 45:37199688mm Mate alignment: P 1 Standard Mate alignment: P 2 Assem2 (Default<default_di 2 1 2 2 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2</default_di </default_di 

99	Select the surface at the inside of the cap as shown.	Assem2 (Default <default_di< p="">          Mate       Analysis         Mates       Analysis         Mates       Analysis         Face&lt;1&gt;@Socket-1         Face&lt;1&gt;@Socket-1         Parallel         Perpendicular         Tangent         Concentric         Inck</default_di<>
100	<ol> <li>Rotate the model and select the plane from the axis as shown.</li> <li>Double-click on OK to end the Mate com- mand.</li> </ol>	Image: Selection s   Image:
101	Use 'Insert Component' to put the two arms in the as- sembly.	
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102	Click on 'Mate' in the CommandManager again. Select the two edges as shown. Click on OK.	Coincident2     Mates     Mates     Analysis     Mates     Edge<1>@Base-1     Edge<2>@Arm-right-     Edge<2>@Arm-right-     Edge<2>@Arm-right-     Coincident     Parallel   Perpendicular   Tangent
103	Rotate the model and do the same again for the other arm.	Coincident3     Coincident3     Mates     Edge<1>>@Arm-left-1     Edge<2>@Base-1     Standard Mates     Coincident     Parallel   Perpendicular

105	The to deal the set	
105	Try to drag the parts around the screen now. You will notice that you can only move the pin and the cap up and down and rotate the arms. These movements are determined by the mates you have added. Add two brackets to the assembly.	
106	Start the Mate command again and make a 'Coinci- dent' mate (not a 'Concen- tric'!) Select the two edges as shown on the right. Click on OK.	Coincident 12     Mates     Mates     Edge <1 >@Arm-right-   Edge <2 >@Link-3     Standard Mates     Coincident     Parallel   Perpendicular   Tangent   Concentric   Lock   H   1.00mm   30.00deg   mate alignment:



109	You can move the arm now and you will see the clamp functioning. To finish the model you need to add the rivets. You will need one rivet of '11mm' and two rivets of '16mm'.	
110	The assembly is ready now. Save the file as Clamp.SLDASM.	
	Checking the model	When you move the arm of the clamp, you will notice that the brackets collide with the base. To solve this problem, we need to extend the base a bit.

111	<ul> <li>The easiest way to extend the size of the base is to do the following:</li> <li>1. Double-click on the base. The dimensions appear.</li> <li>2. Find the length (100) and double-click on this. The 'Modify' menu appears.</li> <li>3. Change the size to '110mm'.</li> <li>4. Click on Rebuild, and check to see if the change is correct.</li> <li>5. Click on OK.</li> </ul>	A log
	Checking the model	The arm from the pin can rotate 360 degrees and in the software, the arm goes right through the material of the base. This is not possible in the real world, so we want to limit the rotation of the arm.



	Work plan	Finally, we will make a rendering from this model. A rendering is a picture of the model with all features displayed as realistically as possible. You can use a rendering for many communications purposes, such as in a presenta- tion. To make a rendering in SolidWorks we use a separate piece of software called PhotoWorks. This is a very robust program with a wide range of ca- pabilities. We will show you how to make a standard rendering using the default settings.
114	<ul> <li>Check to see if PhotoWorks is activated.</li> <li>1. Click on the tab 'Office Products' in the CommandManager.</li> <li>When the button 'Photo-Works Studio' is present, you are ready with this application.</li> <li>2. If the button 'Photo-Works Studio' is not visible, click on 'Solid-Works Office'.</li> <li>3. Click on 'PhotoWorks'.</li> <li>The buttons and functions for PhotoWorks appear in the CommandManager</li> </ul>	SolidWorks     PhotoWorks     Render     Scene     Calculator
115	<ul> <li>Put the model in perspective. This will give a more natural look than an isometric or diametric view.</li> <li>1. Click on View Settings.</li> <li>2. Click on 'Perspective'.</li> <li>Rotate the model to establish the view that you want to show in the rendering.</li> </ul>	SolidWorks   SolidWorks   Office   PhotoWorks   Render   Image: Studio   SolidWorks   Cffice   PhotoWorks   Render   Image: Scene   Image: Scene

116	First, we will make a ren- dering with the default set- tings. Click on 'Render' in the CommandManager. You will notice that the im- age is displayed differently, including shadows and ref- lections.	SolidWorks       SolidWorks
117	We will determine the kind of material for the different parts. Click on 'Appearance' in the CommandManager.	Solid Works   Solid Works   PhotoWorks   Render   Studio   Studio   New Decal   Assemble   Layout   Sketch   Evaluate   Office   Products   Studio      Clamp (Default <default_disple)< p=""></default_disple)<>
118	<ul> <li>You will see a small 'Pre-view' window in which you can see your settings. You can close the window if you want, you will not need it in this exercise.</li> <li>The whole assembly is selected now.</li> <li>1. Right-click on 'Clamp.SLDASM' in the PropertyManager.</li> <li>2. Click on 'Clear Selections'.</li> </ul>	Image   Basic   Advanced   Image   Selected Geometry   Image   Image  <

119	<ol> <li>Check the option Apply changes at assembly component level in the PropertyManager.</li> <li>Click on the cap in the model.</li> </ol>	Clamp (Default <default_di Appearances Advanced Selected C retry Socket-1@Clamp Color/Image Color/Ima</default_di 
120	<ol> <li>Click on the tab Real- View/PhotoWorks Items (on the right side of your screen) in the task pane.</li> <li>Click on 'Rubber'.</li> <li>Click on 'Matte'.</li> <li>You will only find one kind of material in this category. Select it.</li> <li>The cap is now made of 'matte rubber'.</li> </ol>	Valuate       Office Products       Image: Clamp (Default <di< td="">         Image: Clamp (Default<default<di< td="">       Image: Clamp (Default<default<di< td="">         Image: Clamp (Default<default<default<di< td="">       Image: Clamp (Default<default<di< td="">         Image: Clamp (Default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default< th=""></default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<default<></default<di<></default<default<di<></default<di<></default<di<></default<di<></default<di<></default<di<></default<di<></default<di<></default<di<></default<di<></default<di<></di<>
121	<ol> <li>Click on the pushpin in the PropertyManager. The PropertyManager will remain visible even after you have clicked OK. This will come in handy when you are going to determine the kind of material to use for several parts.</li> <li>Click on OK.</li> </ol>	Color/Image Selected Geometry Socket-1@Clamp

122	Select the base in the model.	<ul> <li>Clamp (Default<default_di< li=""> <li>Appearances</li> <li>Advanced</li> <li>Color/Image</li> <li>Reference required:</li> <li>Select reference(s) onto which to apply the appearance.</li> <li>Selected Geometry</li> <li>Base-1@Clamp</li> <li>Base-1@Clamp</li> </default_di<></li></ul>	
123	Select 'cast iron'. Click on OK in the Proper- tyManager.		
124	You can do the same with all of the other parts your- self. You can also deter- mine colors for the differ- ent parts. Try this or keep the default settings.	3 to cast iron	ш

125	Now that we have deter- mined the materials, we can set the 'scene' around a product. The scene is the environment, the back- ground, and/or the light- ing. SolidWorks has a number of standard scenes. Click on 'PhotoWorks Stu- dio' in the CommandMa- nager.	SolidWorks SolidWorks PhotoWorks Render SolidWorks Render The PhotoWorks Render SolidWorks Render
126	<ol> <li>You can browse the available scenes in the PropertyManager. Every time you will be presented with the preview. Select one scene and use it.</li> <li>Set the 'Render Quali- ty' at least to 'medium' or you will not see any shadows.</li> <li>Click on 'Render' in the CommandManager.</li> </ol>	SolidWorks Caree Settings Render Quality Iow medium high



129	<ul><li>Set the following features in the menu that appears:</li><li>1. Select a name for the file, 'Clamp'.</li></ul>	Render to File 2 🔀 Look in: 🗁 Temp 🔽 3 🎓 📴
	<ol> <li>Select a file format. 'JPEG' can be used by a lot of applications.</li> <li>Select the 'Image size'. This depends on what you want to do with it, but a width of between 1000 and 2000 pixels is usually sufficient. The height will adapt itself automatically.</li> <li>Click on 'Render'.</li> </ol>	Image size         O pentimeters         O Inches         at 100         at 100         bixels         O Inches         at 100         bixels         Centimeters         O Inches         at 100         bixels         D Inches         bixels         D Inches         bixels         bixels         D Inches         bixels         bixels         bixels         bixels         bixels         bixels         bixels         bixels         bixe
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