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# **Engineering Drawing**

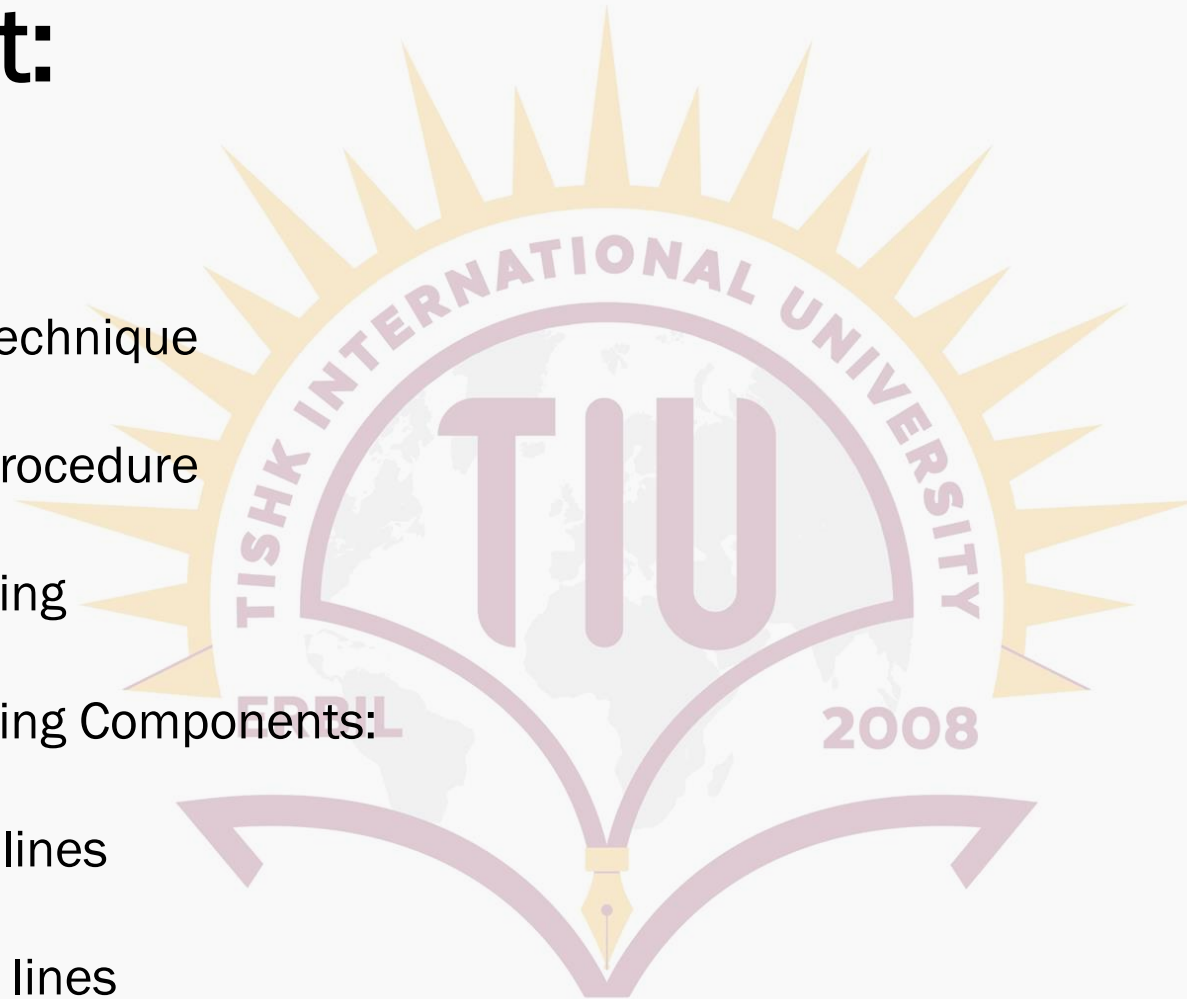
## **Lecture 4: Lettering and Dimensioning**

**First Grade- Fall Semester 2020-2021**

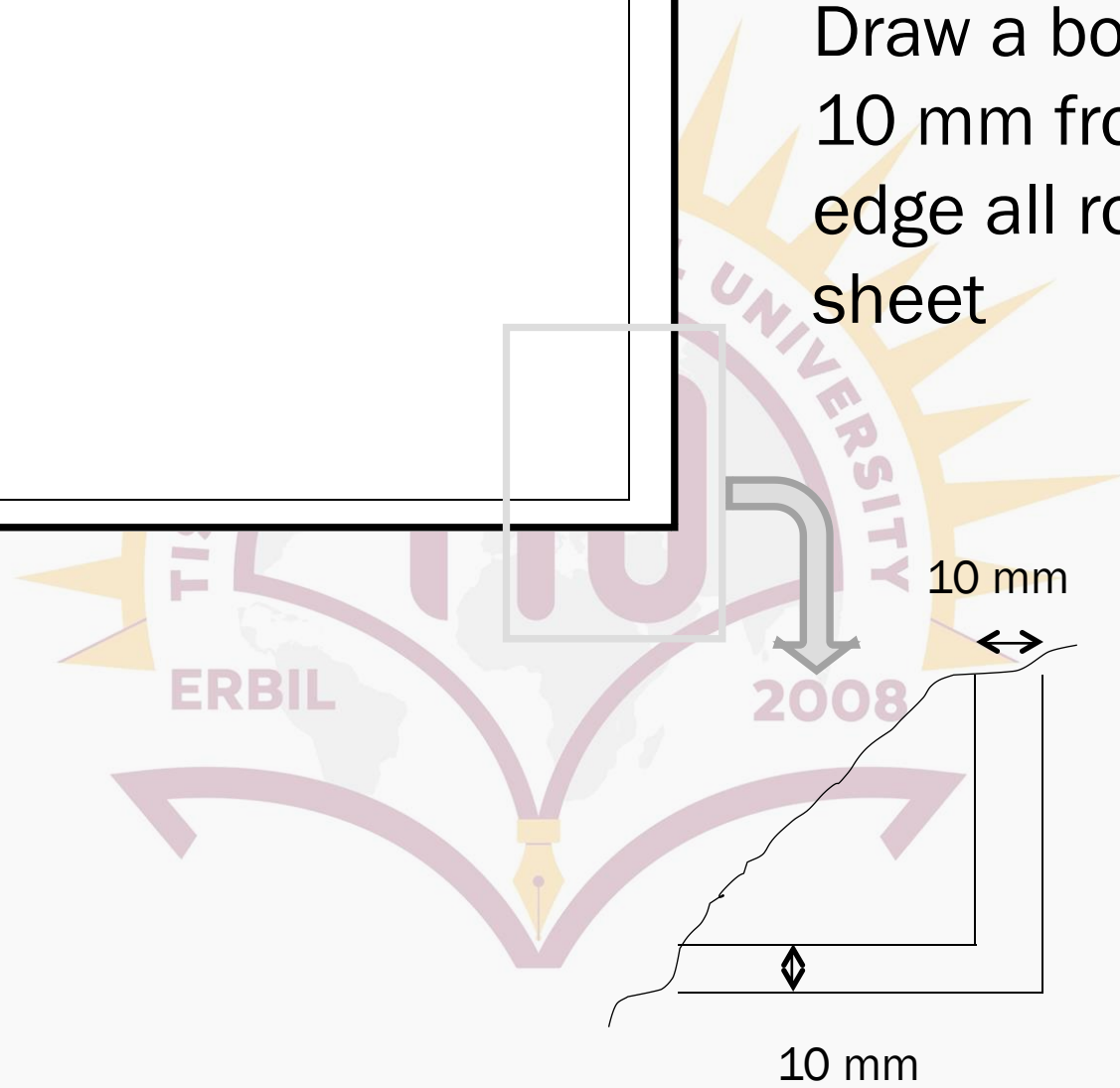
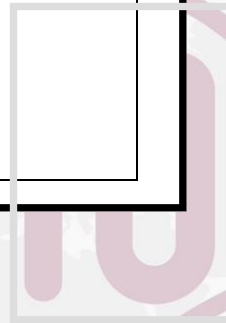
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# Content:

- Lettering
- Lettering Technique
- Lettering Procedure
- Dimensioning
- Dimensioning Components:
  - ✓ Extension lines
  - ✓ Dimension lines  
(with arrowheads)
  - ✓ Leader lines



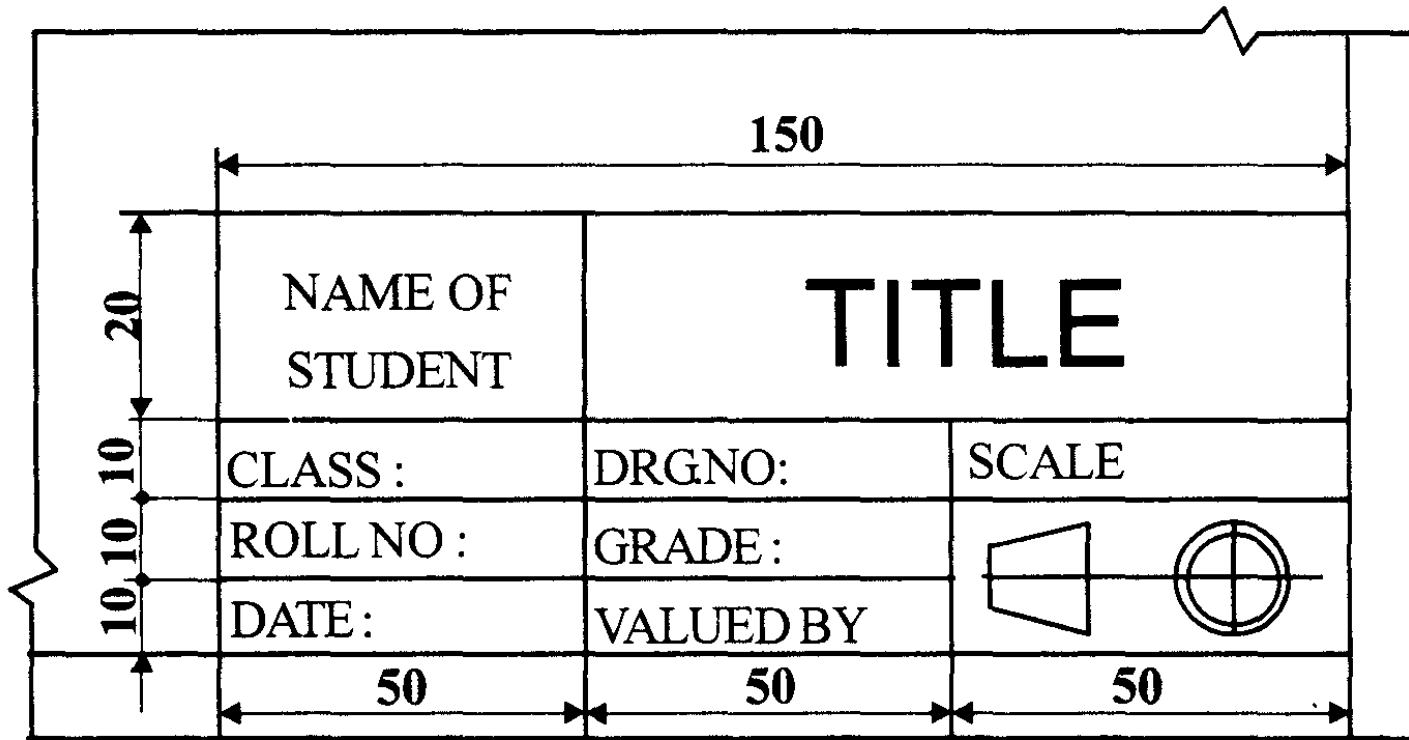
Draw a border line  
10 mm from the  
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10 mm

10 mm

# Title Block:



# Lettering:

- Lettering is defined as writing of titles, sub-titles, dimensions, etc., on a drawing.



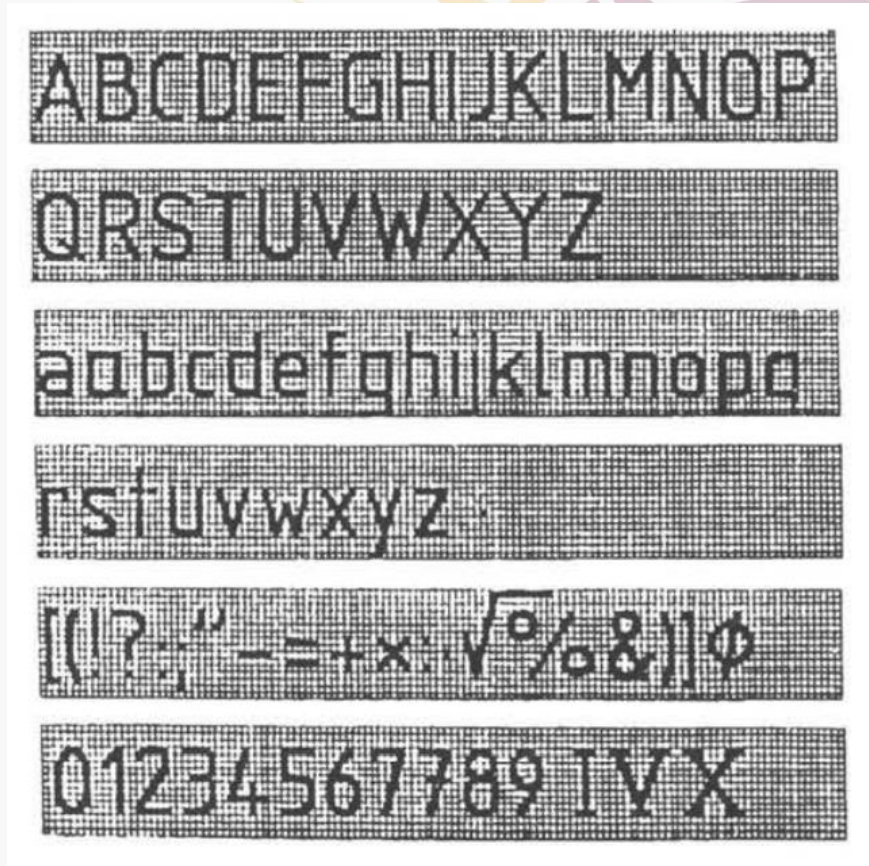
# Lettering Technique:

- Essential features of lettering- legibility, uniformity, ease, rapidity, and suitability for microfilming/ photocopying/ any other photographic processes.
- No ornamental/ decorative and embellishing/ enlarging style of letter.
- Plain letters and numerals which are clearly distinguishable from each other in order to avoid any confusion even in case of slight mutilations.
- The reproductions require the distance between two adjacent lines or the space between letters to be at least equal to twice the line thickness.
- The line thickness for lower case and capital letters shall be the same in order to facilitate lettering.

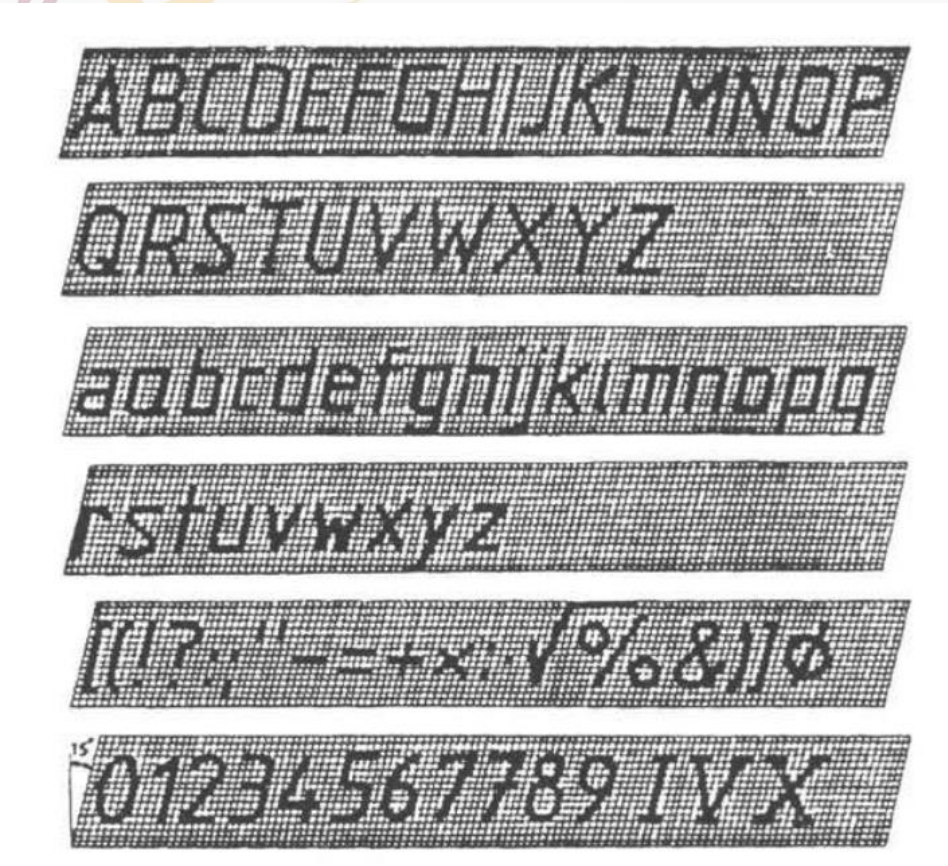
# Lettering Technique:

- The lettering may be inclined at 15° to the right or may be vertical.

Vertical Lettering

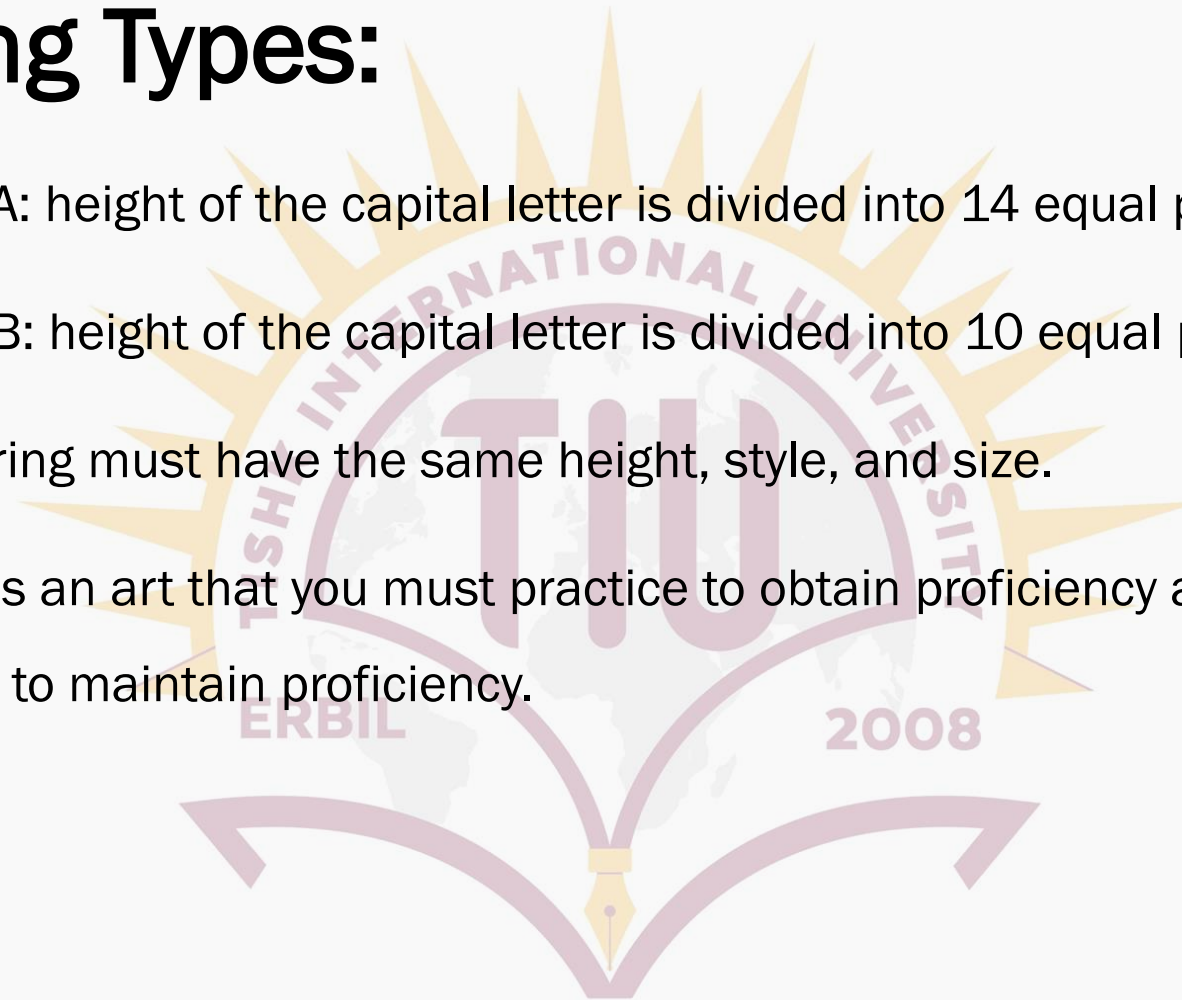


Inclined Lettering



# Lettering Types:

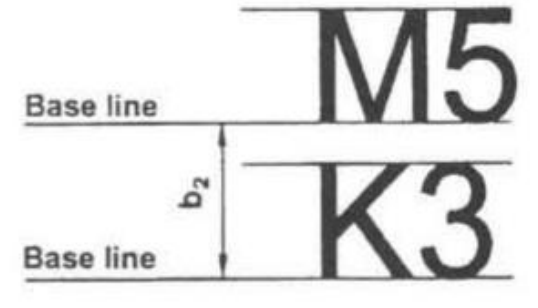
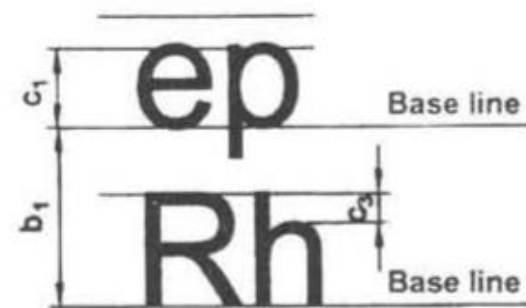
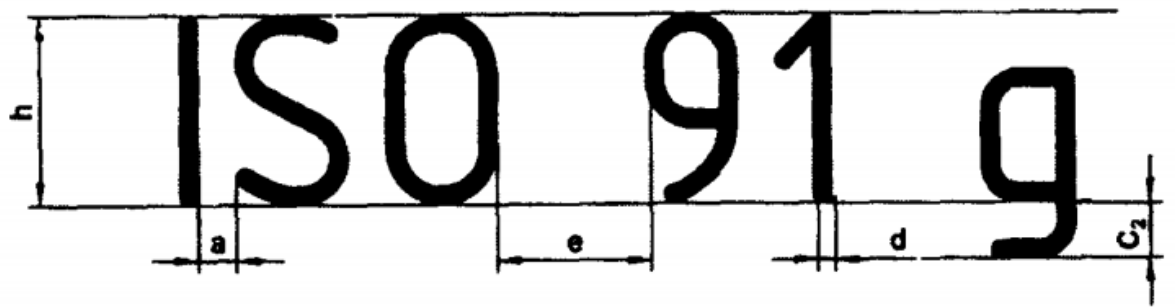
- Lettering A: height of the capital letter is divided into 14 equal parts
- Lettering B: height of the capital letter is divided into 10 equal parts.
- Your lettering must have the same height, style, and size.
- Lettering is an art that you must practice to obtain proficiency and continue practicing to maintain proficiency.





# Lettering:

- BIS denotes the characteristics of lettering as :
- h (height of capital letters),
- ci (height of lower-case letters),
- c2 (tail of lower-case letters),
- c3 (stem of lower-case letters),
- a (spacing between characters),
- b1 & b2 (spacing between baselines),
- e (spacing between words) and
- d (line thickness),

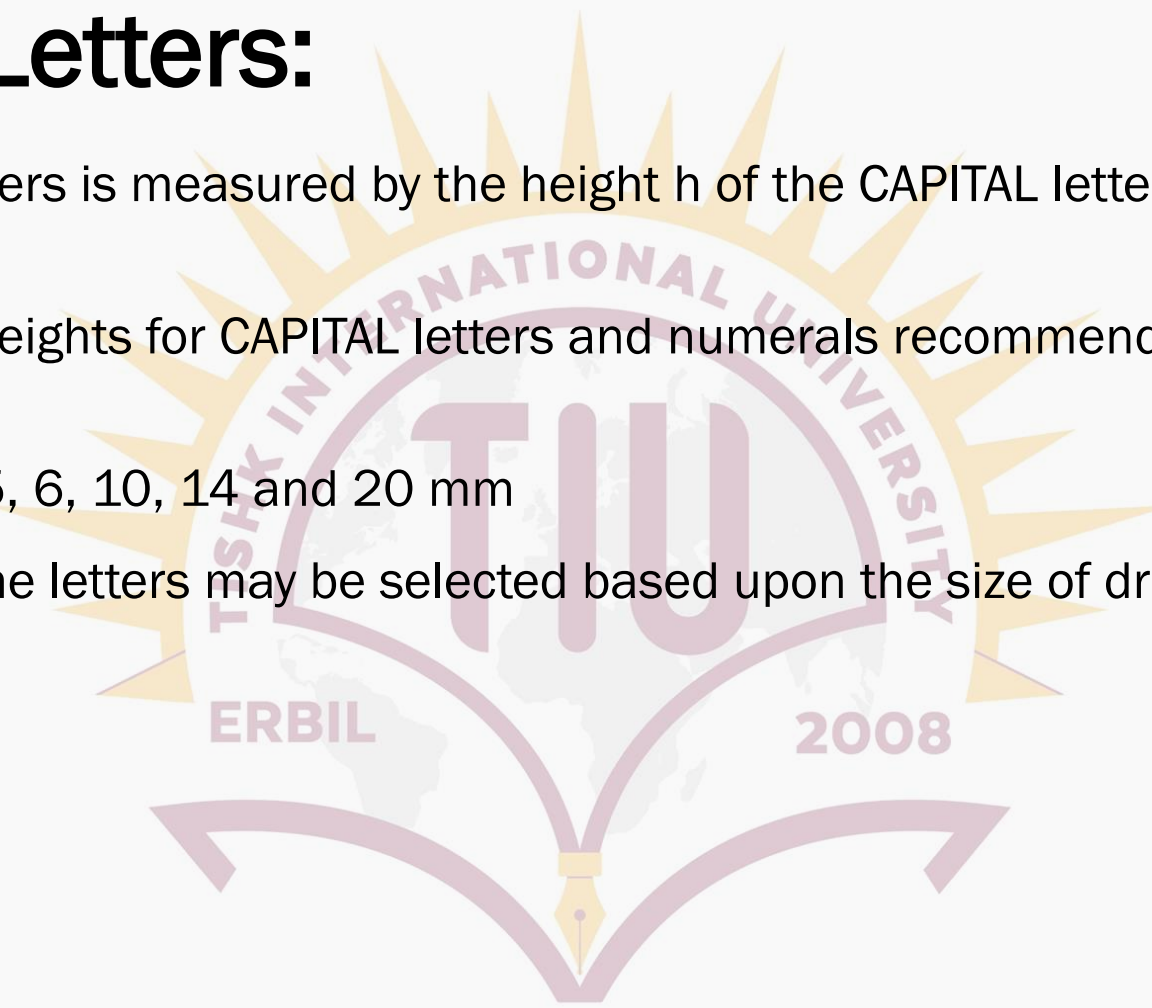


# Size of Letters:

- Size of Letters is measured by the height  $h$  of the CAPITAL letters as well as numerals.
- Standard heights for CAPITAL letters and numerals recommended by BIS are given below :

1.8, 2.5, 3.5, 5, 6, 10, 14 and 20 mm

Note: Size of the letters may be selected based upon the size of drawing.



# Procedure for Lettering:

- Guide lines: In order to obtain correct and uniform height of letters and numerals, guide lines are drawn, using

2H pencil with light pressure. HB grade conical end pencil is used for lettering.

1. Thin horizontal guide lines are drawn first at a distance ' h' apart.

2. Lettering Technique: Horizontal lines of the letters are drawn from left to right.

Vertical, inclined and curved lines are drawn from top to bottom.

3. After lettering has been completed, the guidelines are not erased.

# Lettering:



ENGINEERING GRAPHICS IS THE LANGUAGE  
OF ENGINEERS

5  
6.5

The image shows a technical drawing of the sentence "ENGINEERING GRAPHICS IS THE LANGUAGE OF ENGINEERS" in a bold, sans-serif font. The text is arranged in two lines. Dimension lines indicate the height of the letters: the first line of text has a height of 5 units, and the second line has a height of 6.5 units. The drawing is set against a white background with a faint watermark of a sunburst and a fountain pen nib.

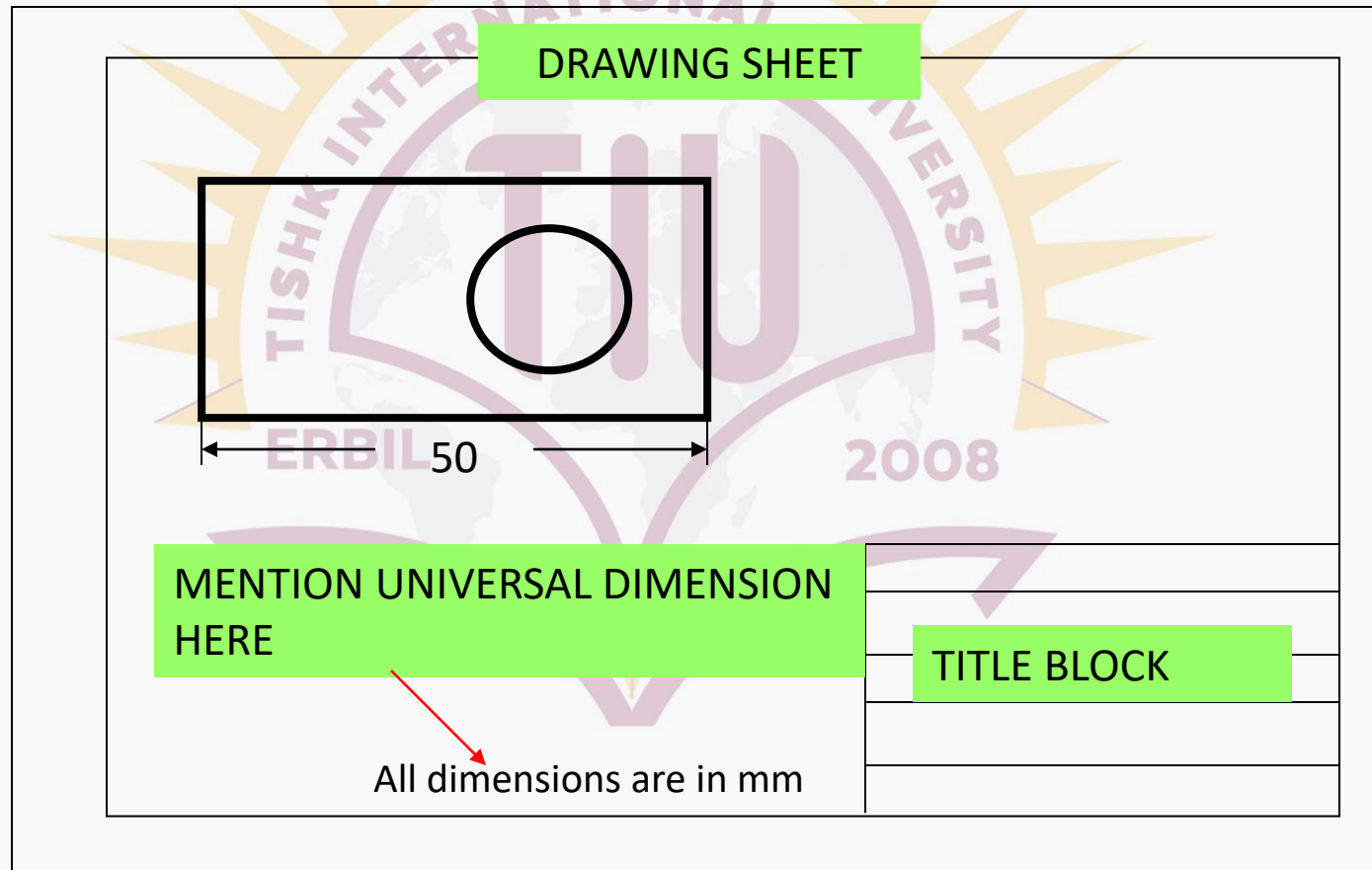
# Dimensioning:

- BIS (Board of Indian Standards) defines dimension as *a numerical value expressed in appropriate units of measurement and indicated graphically on technical drawings with lines, symbols and notes.*
- Units of Measurement: The most commonly used unit for length is the **millimeter**. Angles are shown in degrees.
- Symbols are incorporated to indicate **specific geometry** wherever necessary.
- Notes are provided to give **specification of a particular feature** or to give **specific information** necessary during the manufacturing of the object.

# Example on Drawing Sheet:

No dimension unit to be mentioned on the drawing

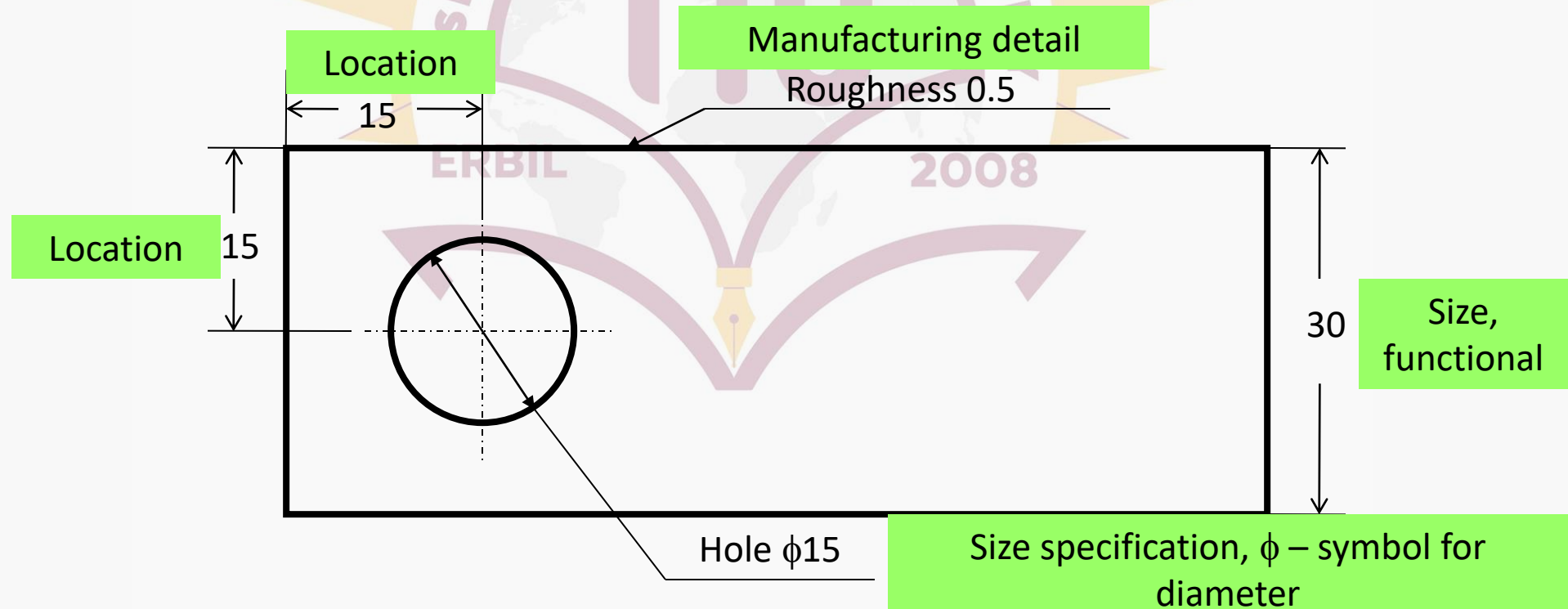
At the bottom sheet mention "All dimensions in ....."



# Dimensioning:

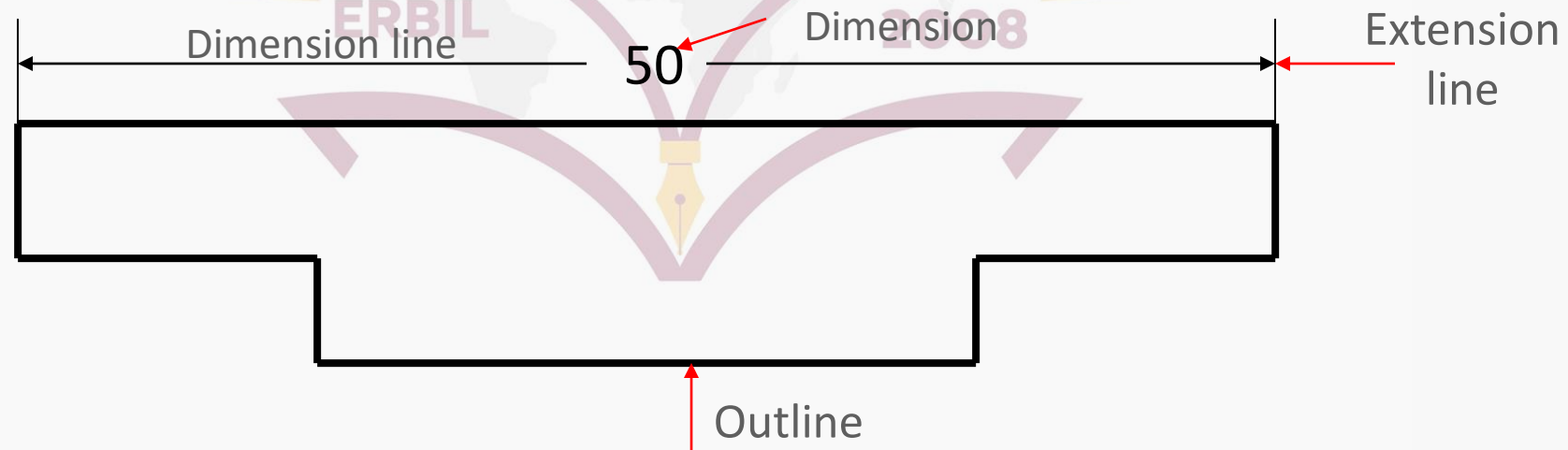
Providing information on a drawing about

- ❑ Distances (size or functional dimensions)
- ❑ Sizes and positions (location or datum dimensions) of holes, grooves and other features.
- ❑ Details relating to manufacture etc.



# Different lines in dimensioning:

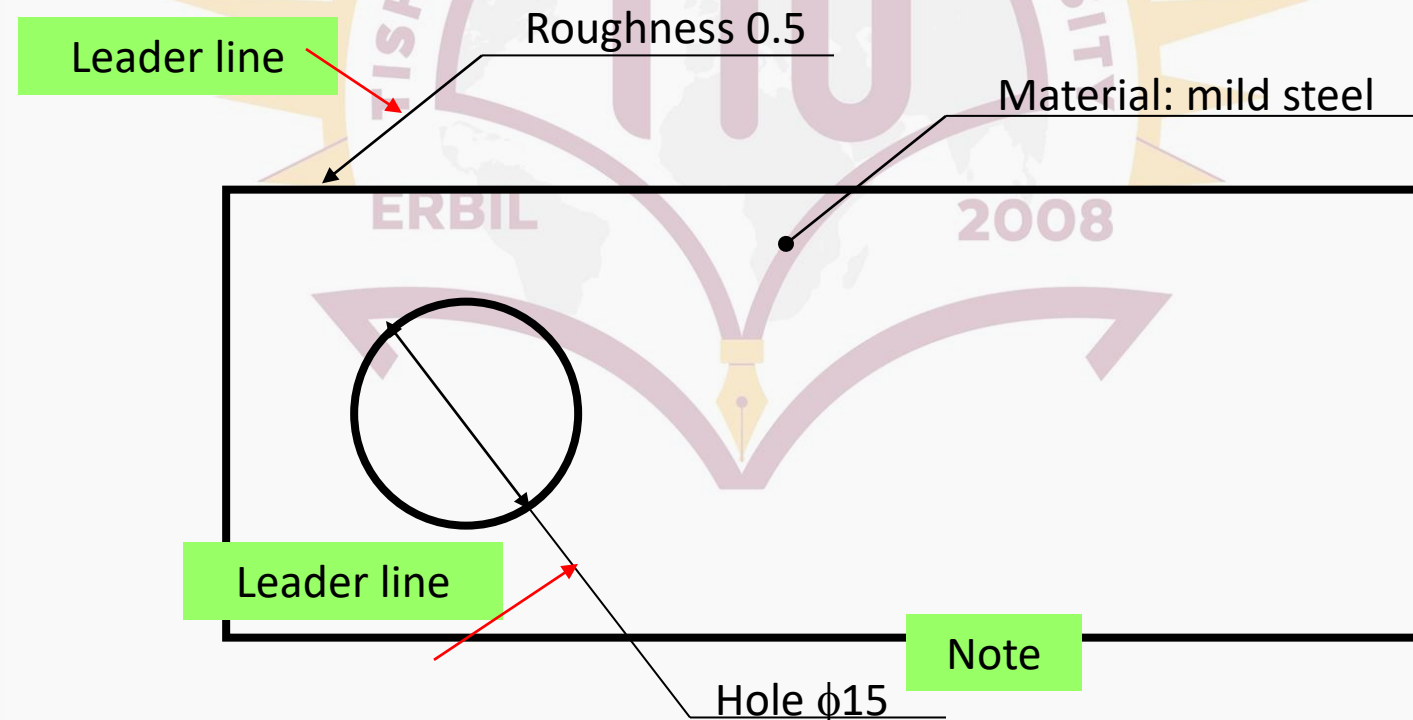
- Outline - Forms the shape of the object in a view (drawn dark and continuous)
- Extension line - An extension of an outline or centerline (drawn light and continuous, used to indicate the entity being dimensioned)
- Dimension line - Thin continuous line terminated by arrowheads touching the outlines, extension lines or center lines (used to specify end points of a dimension)





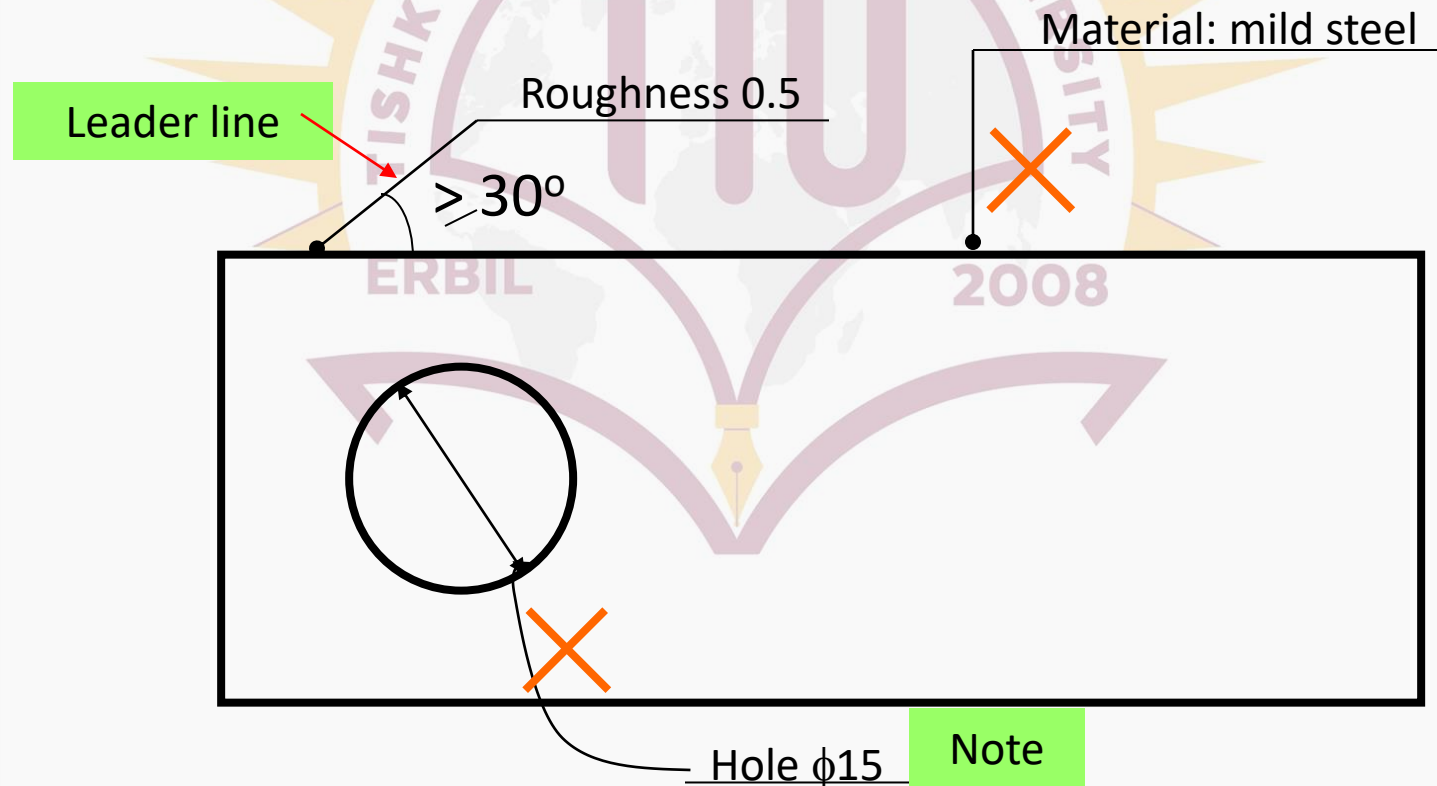
# Leader lines and notes:

- ❑ Leader (or pointer) line – Thin continuous line connecting a note or dimension figure with the feature to which it applies. One end of the leader terminates in an **arrowhead or dot**.
- ❑ The arrowhead touches the outline while the dot is placed within the object or on the outline
- ❑ The other end of a leader is terminated in a horizontal line underlining the note



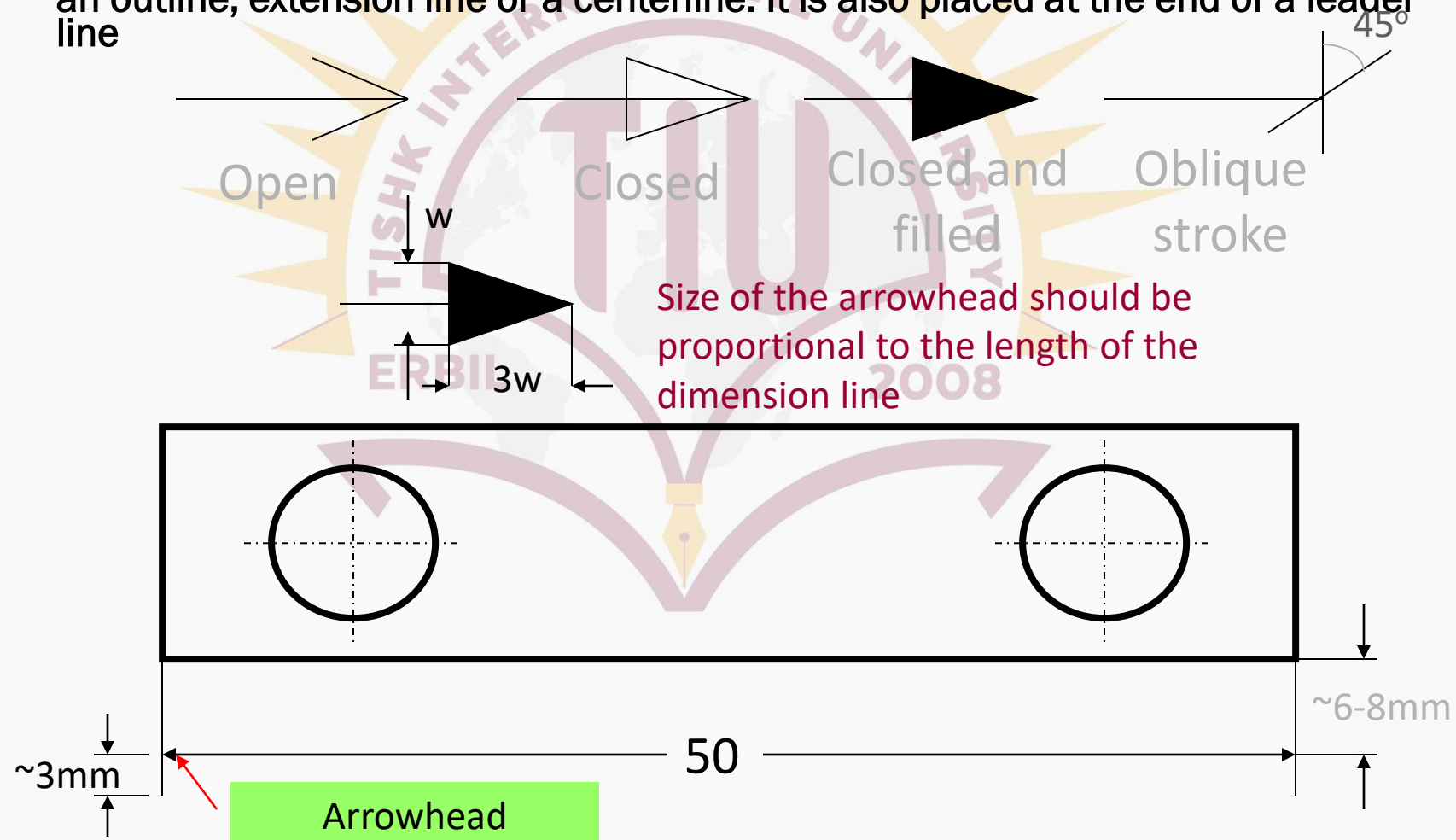
# Rules for leader lines:

- ❑ A leader line is never drawn horizontal, vertical or curved
- ❑ It is drawn at an angle not less than  $30^\circ$  to the line that it touches
- ❑ When pointing to a circle or arc, it is drawn radially



# Arrowheads and dimension line positioning:

- A dimension line is placed at least **6-8 mm** away from an **outline** and from **each other**
- An extension line extends **~3mm** beyond a dimension line
- **Arrowhead** – Placed at each end of a dimension line, its pointed end touches an outline, extension line or a centerline. It is also placed at the end of a leader line



# Systems of Dimensioning:

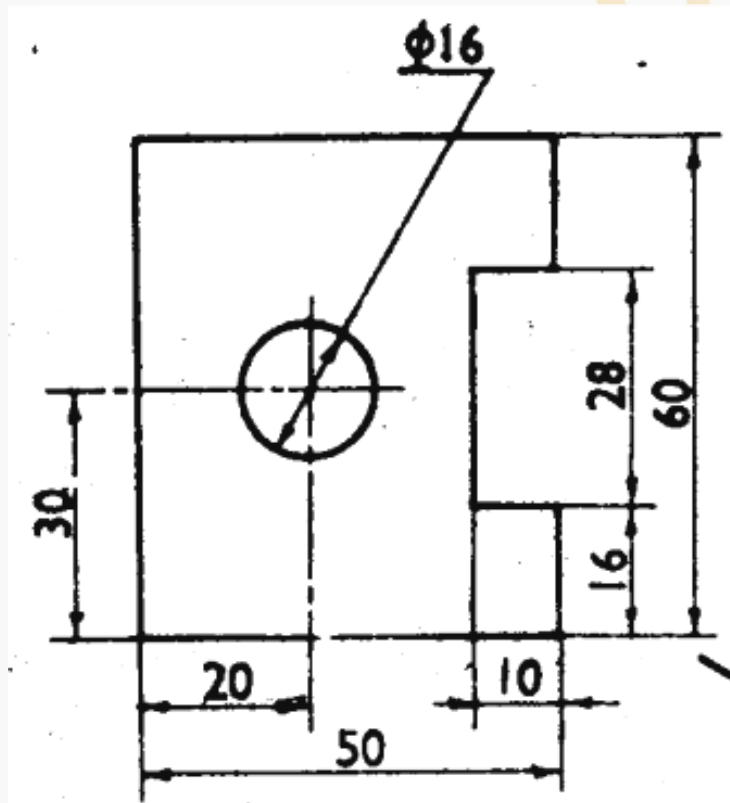
## Aligned System

In the aligned system, dimensions are aligned with the entity being measured. They are placed perpendicular to the dimension line such that they may be read from the bottom or right-hand side of the drawing sheet. Dimensions are placed at the middle and on top of the dimension lines.

## Unidirectional System

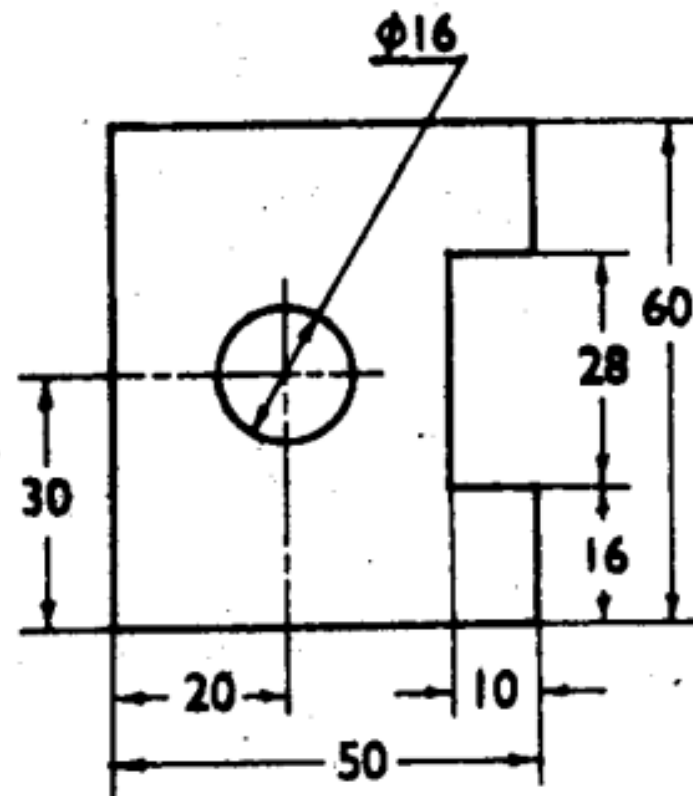
In the unidirectional system, dimensions are placed in such a way that they can be read from the bottom edge of the drawing sheet. Dimensions are inserted by breaking the dimension lines at the middle.

# Dimensioning systems



Aligned system

(readable from bottom and right edge of sheet)



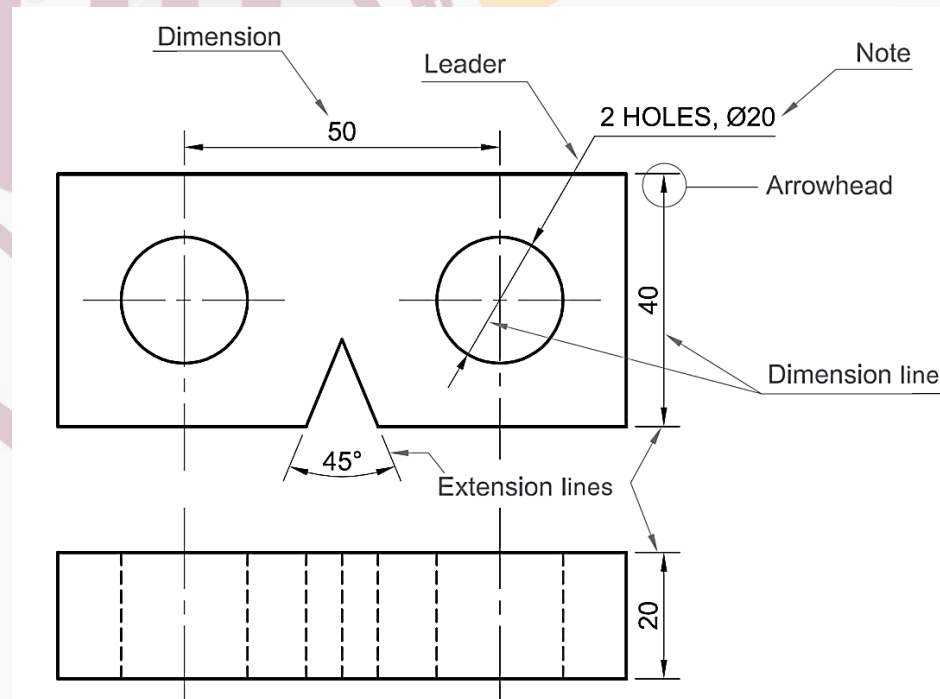
Unidirectional system

(visible from bottom edge)

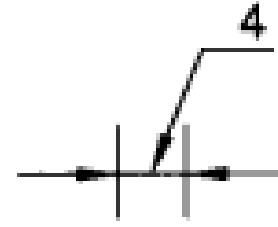
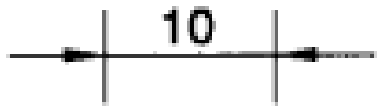
# Dimensioning elements:

A line on the drawing whose length is to be shown is called an *object line*. The object line is essentially an **outline representing the feature(s)** of the object. While showing an angle, the two lines forming the angle will be the object lines.

Dimensioning is often done by a set of elements, which includes **extension lines, dimension lines, leader lines, arrowheads and dimensions**. These are shown in the figure below.



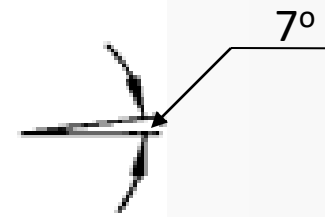
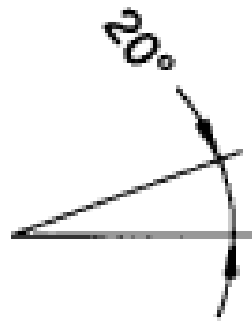
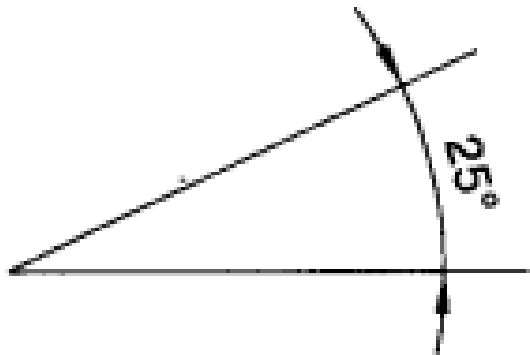
# Placing of dimension:



Within extension  
lines

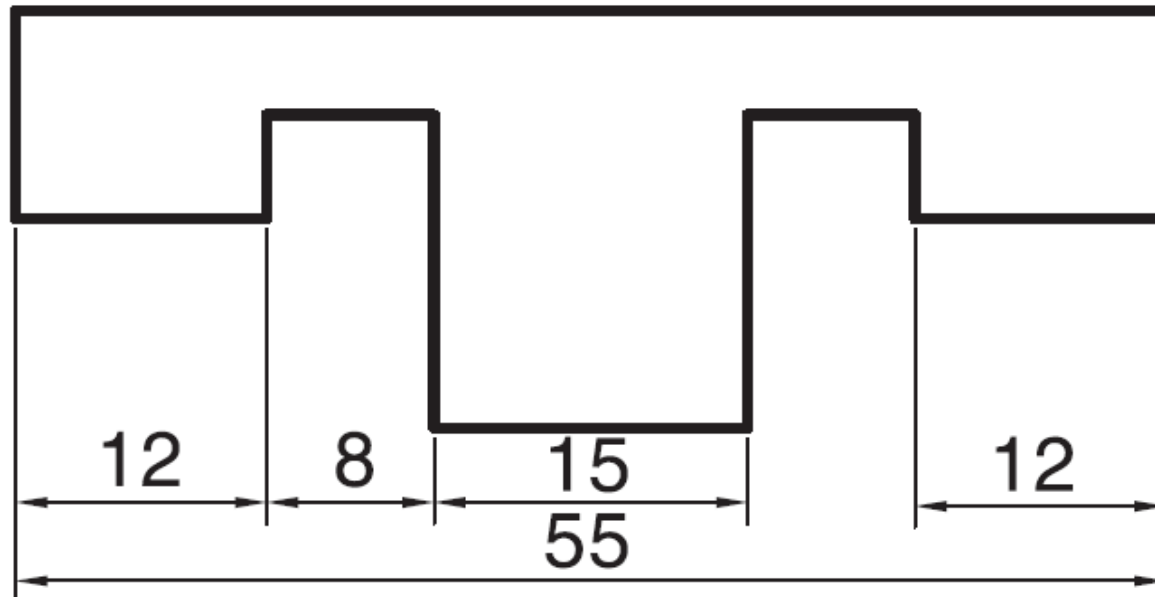
Outside extension  
lines

With leader



# Chain (continuous) dimensioning

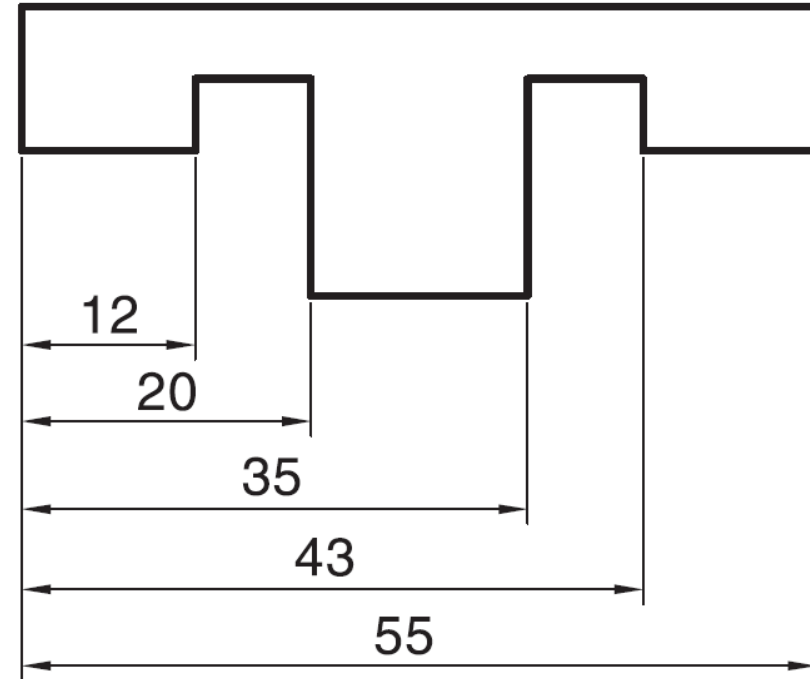
All the dimensions are aligned in such a way that an arrowhead of one dimension touches tip-to-tip the arrowhead of the adjacent dimension. The overall dimension is placed outside the other smaller dimensions.





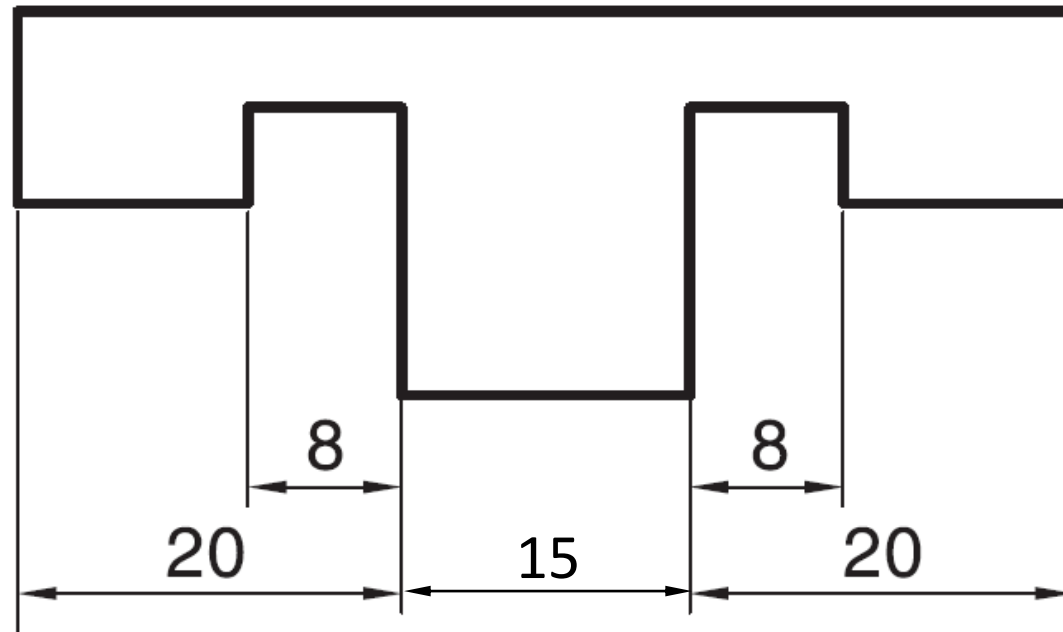
# Parallel (progressive) dimensioning:

All the dimensions are shown from a common reference line. Obviously, all these dimensions share a common extension line. This method is adopted when dimensions have to be established from a particular datum surface. Smaller dimensions should always be placed nearer the view. The next smaller dimension should be placed next and so on.



# Combined dimensioning:

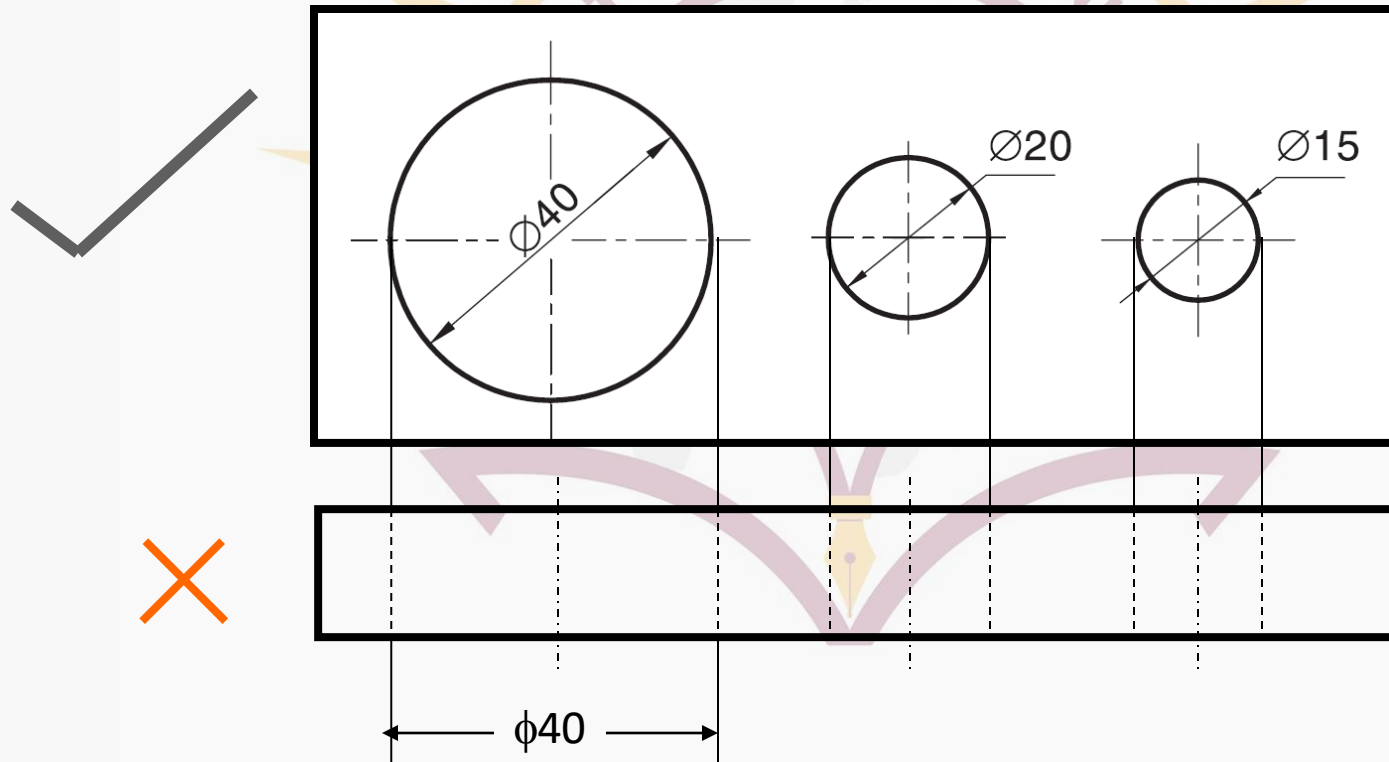
*When both the methods, i.e., chain dimensioning and parallel dimensioning are used on the same drawing, the method of dimensioning is called combined dimensioning*



# Circular holes:

A hole is usually dimensioned by giving its **diameter instead of radius**. The dimension indicating a diameter should always be preceded by the symbol  $\varnothing$

They should be dimensioned in the **view in which they appear as circles**

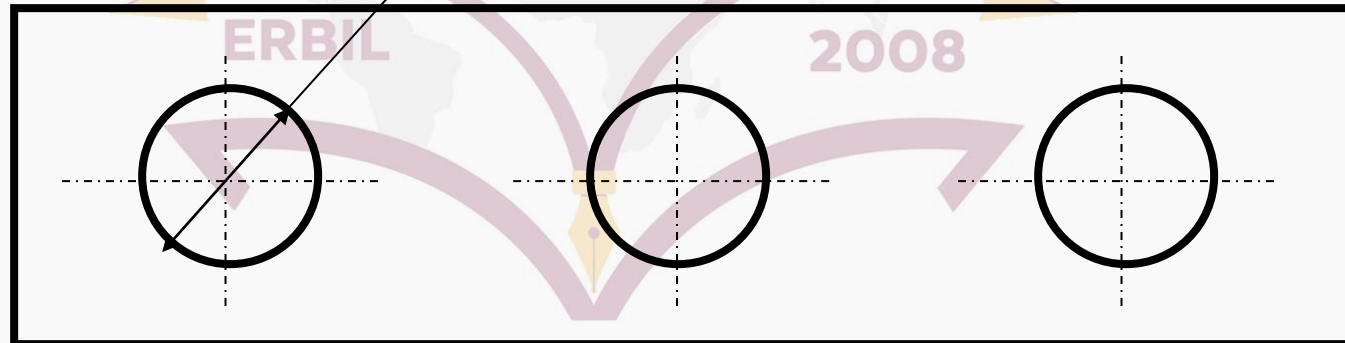


# Number of holes with same size:

- ❑ When more than one hole of the same size forms a pattern, it is not necessary to dimension each one.
- ❑ One hole is dimensioned and a note specifies the total number of holes with that dimension.

3 x  $\phi 20$

(or 3 HOLES,  $\phi 20$ )

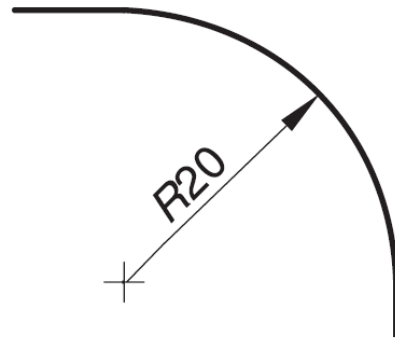


# Dimensioning arcs:

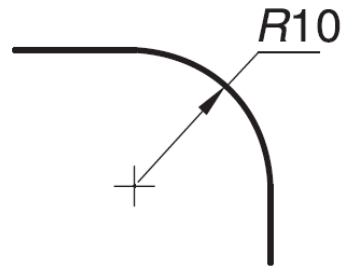
An arc is usually dimensioned by giving its radius. The dimension indicating radius should be preceded by symbol  $R$

The  $R$  can be placed after the dimension also  $+$

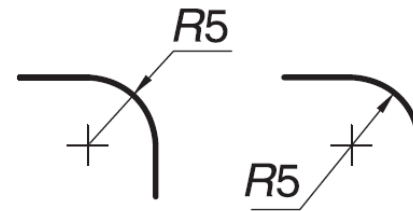
The position of center of arc is denoted by a  $+$



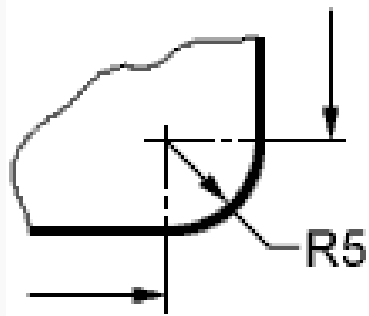
(a)



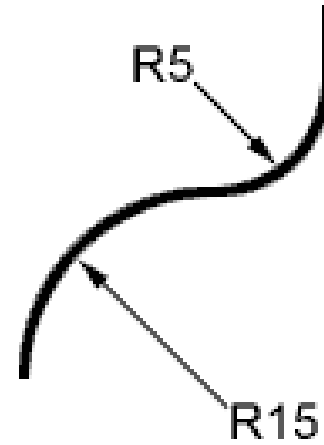
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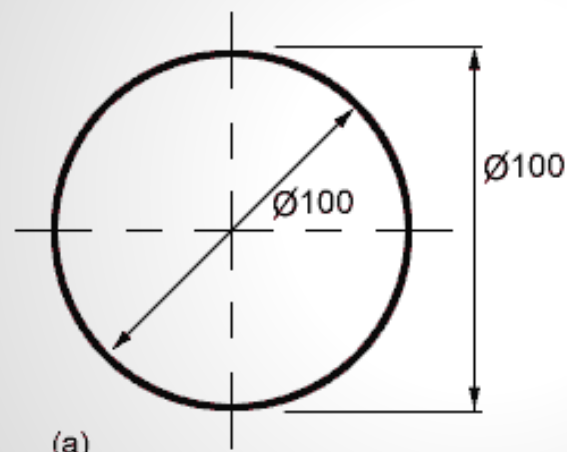
(c)



(a)



(b)



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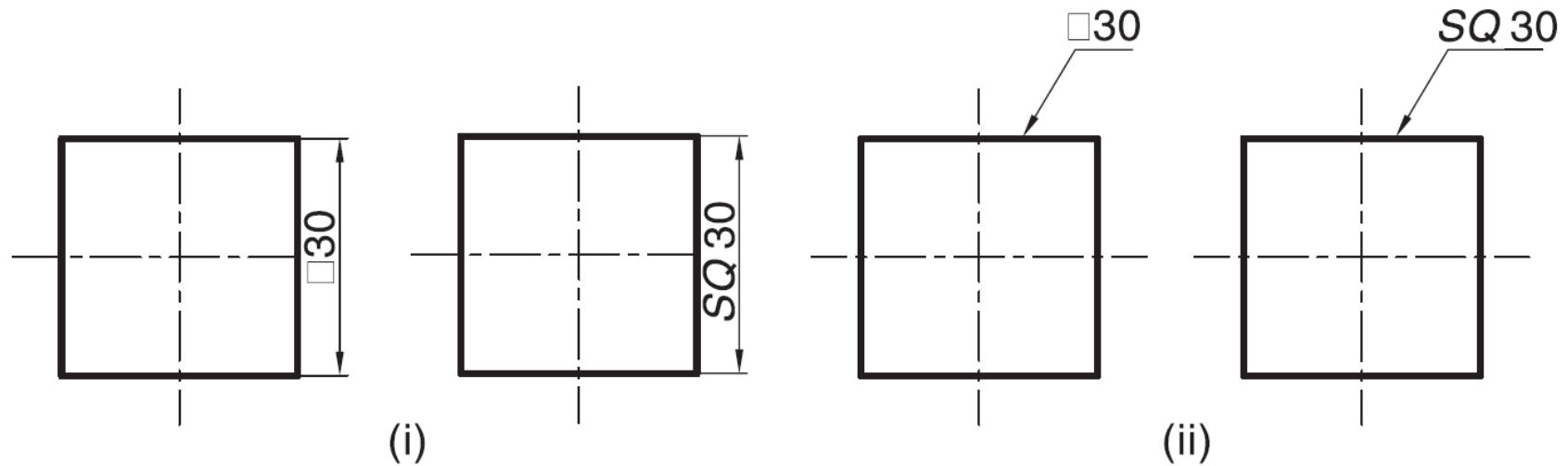


(b)

# Dimensioning of squares:

Square features (e.g., a rod of square cross-section) are dimensioned using symbol

or *SQ* as shown in (i) or (ii)

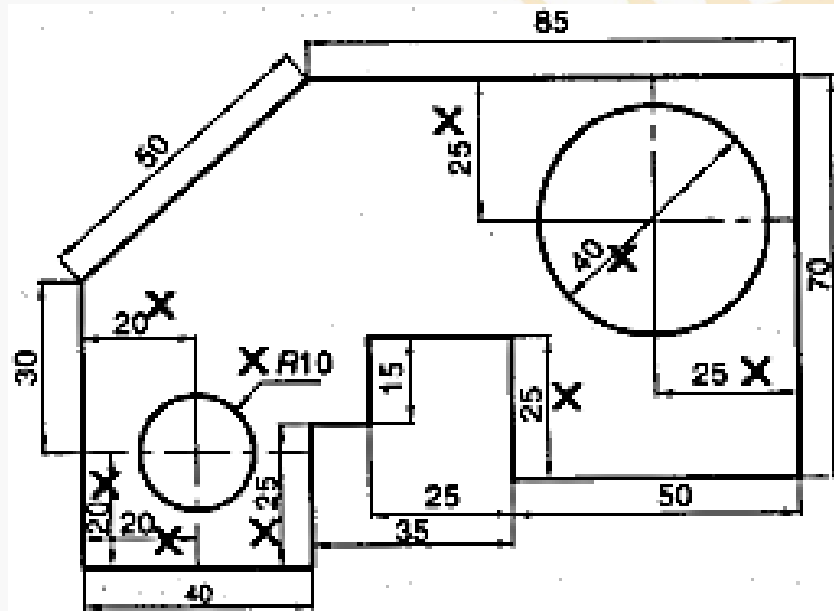


# General rules of dimensioning:

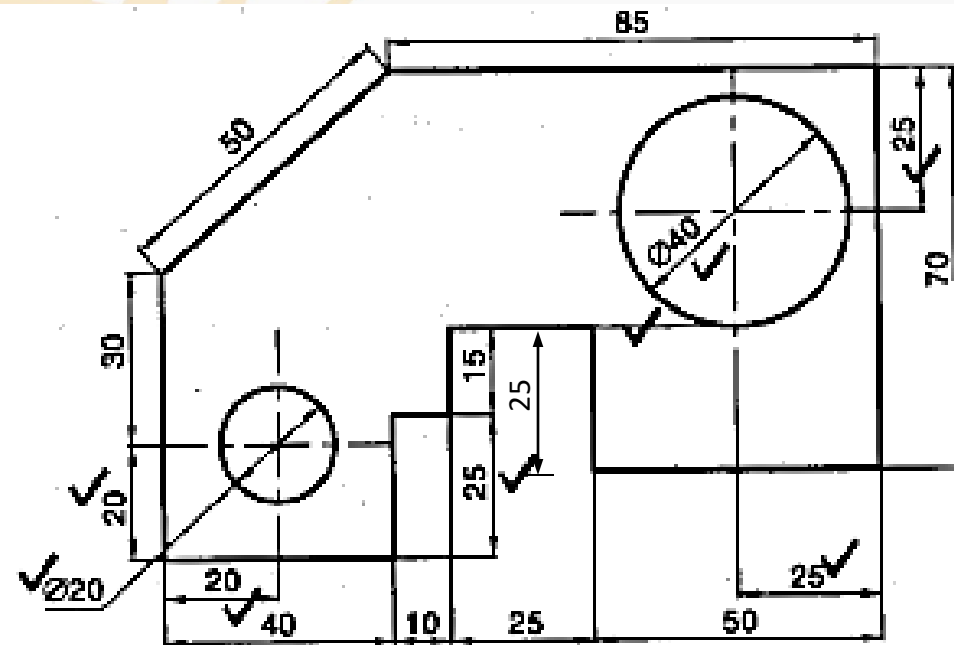
1. Between any two extension lines, there must be **one and only one dimension** line bearing one dimension. One of the extension lines may be common to another dimension as in parallel dimensioning.
2. As far as possible, all the dimensions should be **placed outside the views**. Inside dimensions are preferred **only if they are clearer** and more easily readable.
3. All the dimensions on a drawing must be shown using **either Aligned System or Unidirectional System**. The two systems **should not be mixed** on the same drawing.
4. The **same unit of length** should be used for all the dimensions on a drawing. The unit should not be written after each dimension, but a **note mentioning the unit should be placed below the drawing**.
5. Dimension lines **should not cross each other**. Dimension lines should also not cross any other lines of the object.
6. All dimensions **must be given**.
7. Each dimension should be **given only once**. No dimension should be redundant.



# Dimensioning, correct vs. wrong:





Wrong  
(a)

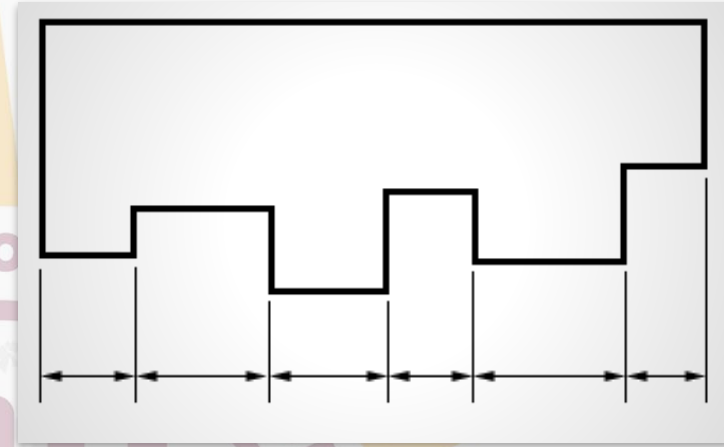


Correct  
(b)

# Symbols and abbreviations used in Eng. drawing:

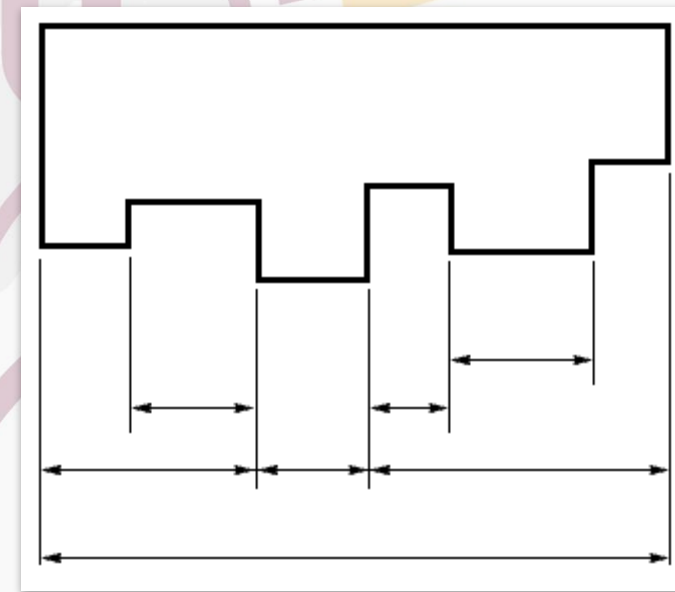
<i>Symbol/Abbreviation</i>	<i>Meaning</i>	<i>Symbol/Abbreviation</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
$\phi$	Diameter	LG	Long
$S\phi$	Spherical Diameter	CSK	Countersunk
$R$	Radius	C'BORE	Counterbore
$SR$	Spherical Radius	SF or S'FACE	Spotface
$\square$ or SQ	Square		Conical Taper
CYL	Cylinder or Cylindrical		Flat taper
PCD	Pitch Circle Diameter	M	Metric Thread
EQ SP	Equispaced		

- Chain Dimensioning



- Combined Dimensions

A combined dimension uses both chain and parallel dimensioning.

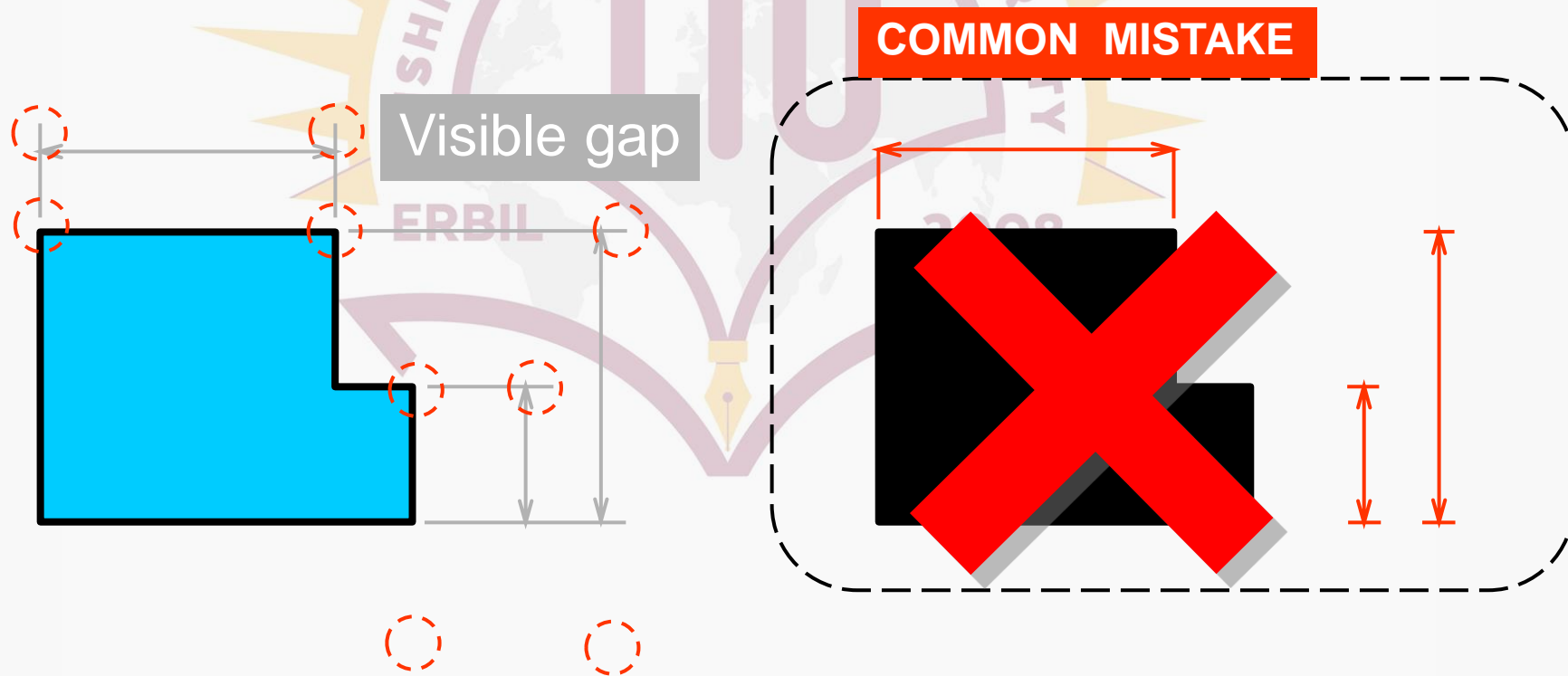




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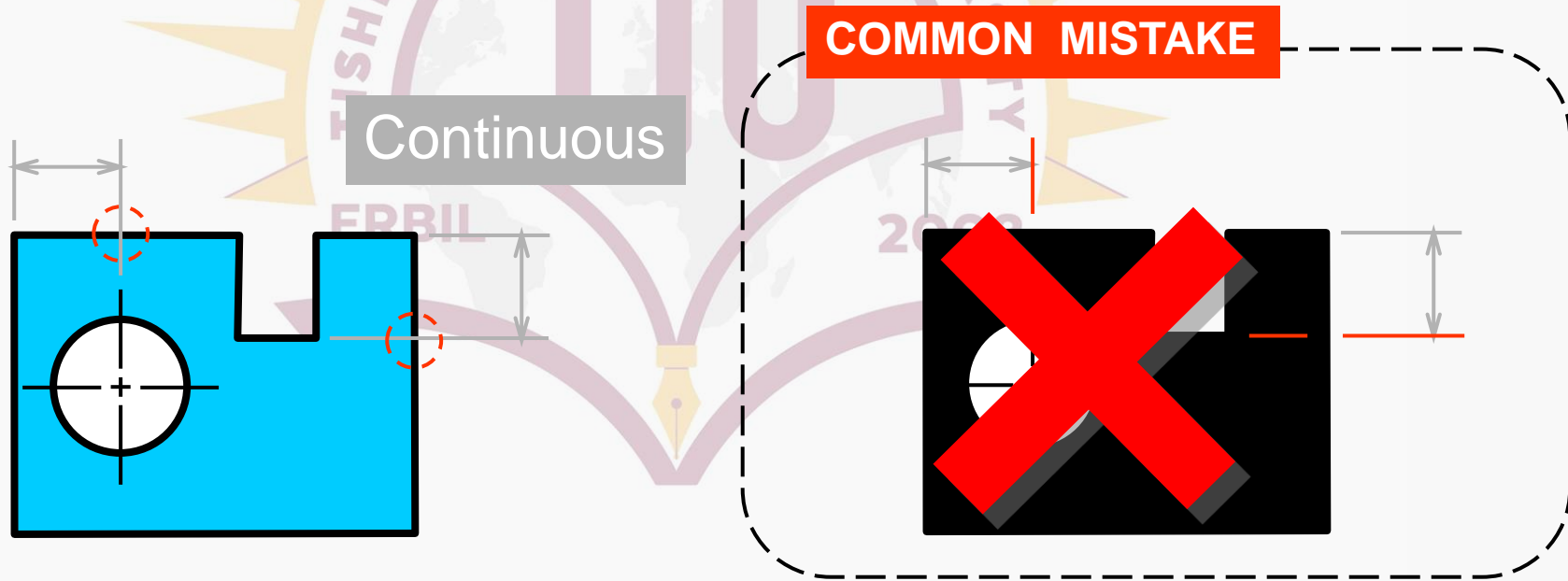
# EXTENSION LINES

- Leave a **visible gap** ( $\approx 1$  mm) from a view and start drawing an extension line.
- Extend the lines beyond the (last) dimension line 1-2 mm.



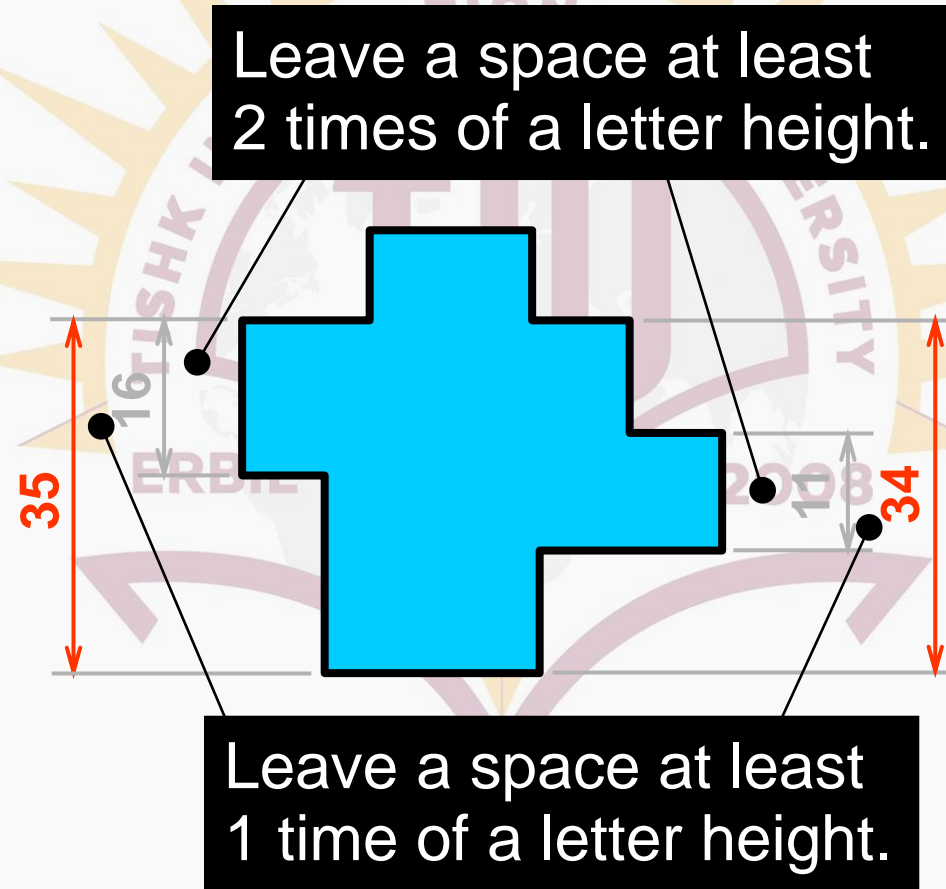
# Extension Lines

- Do not break the lines as they cross object lines.



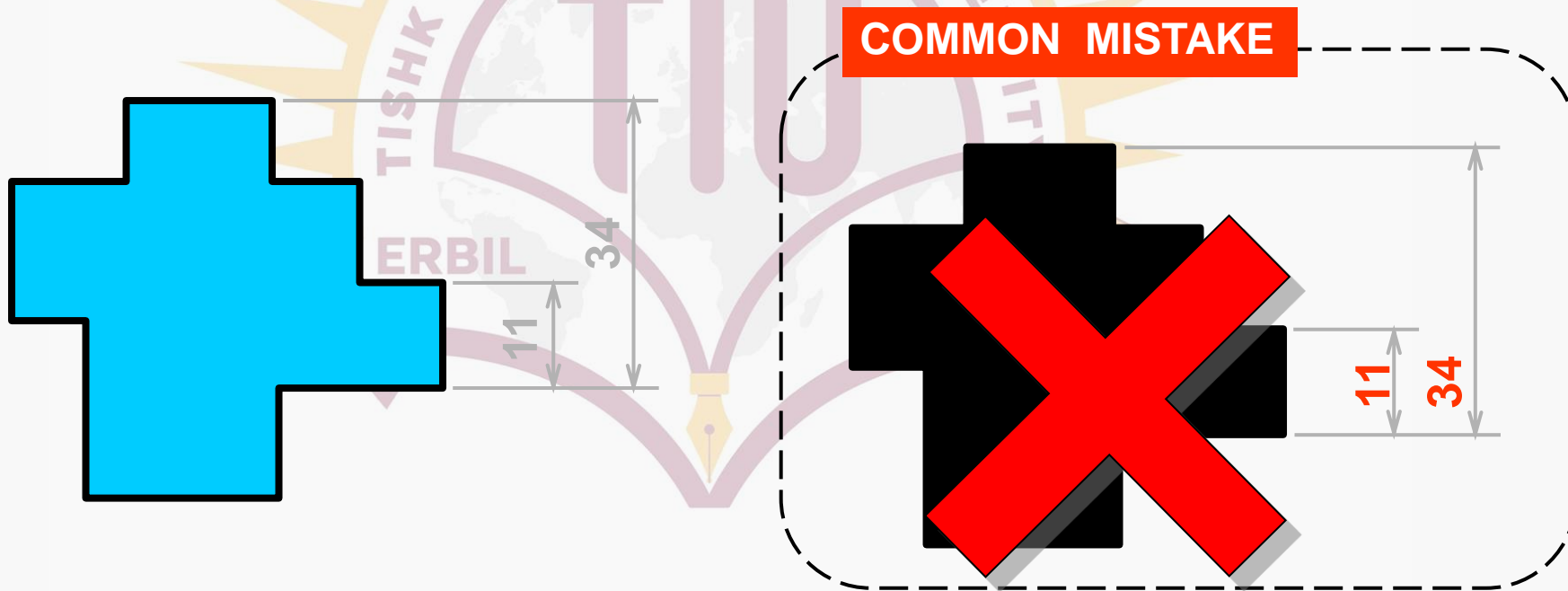
# Dimension Lines

- Dimension lines should **not** be spaced too close to each other and to the view.



# Dimension Figures

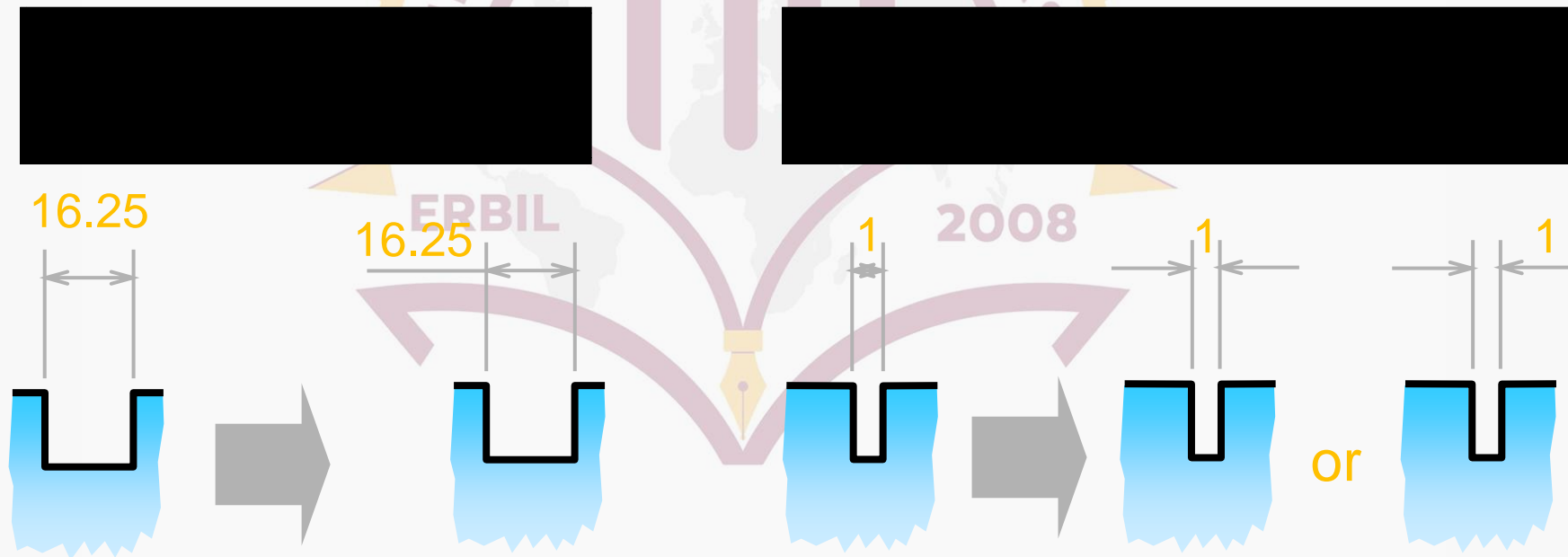
- The height of figures is suggested to be 2.5~3 mm.
- Place the numbers at about 1 mm *above dimension line* and *between extension lines*.



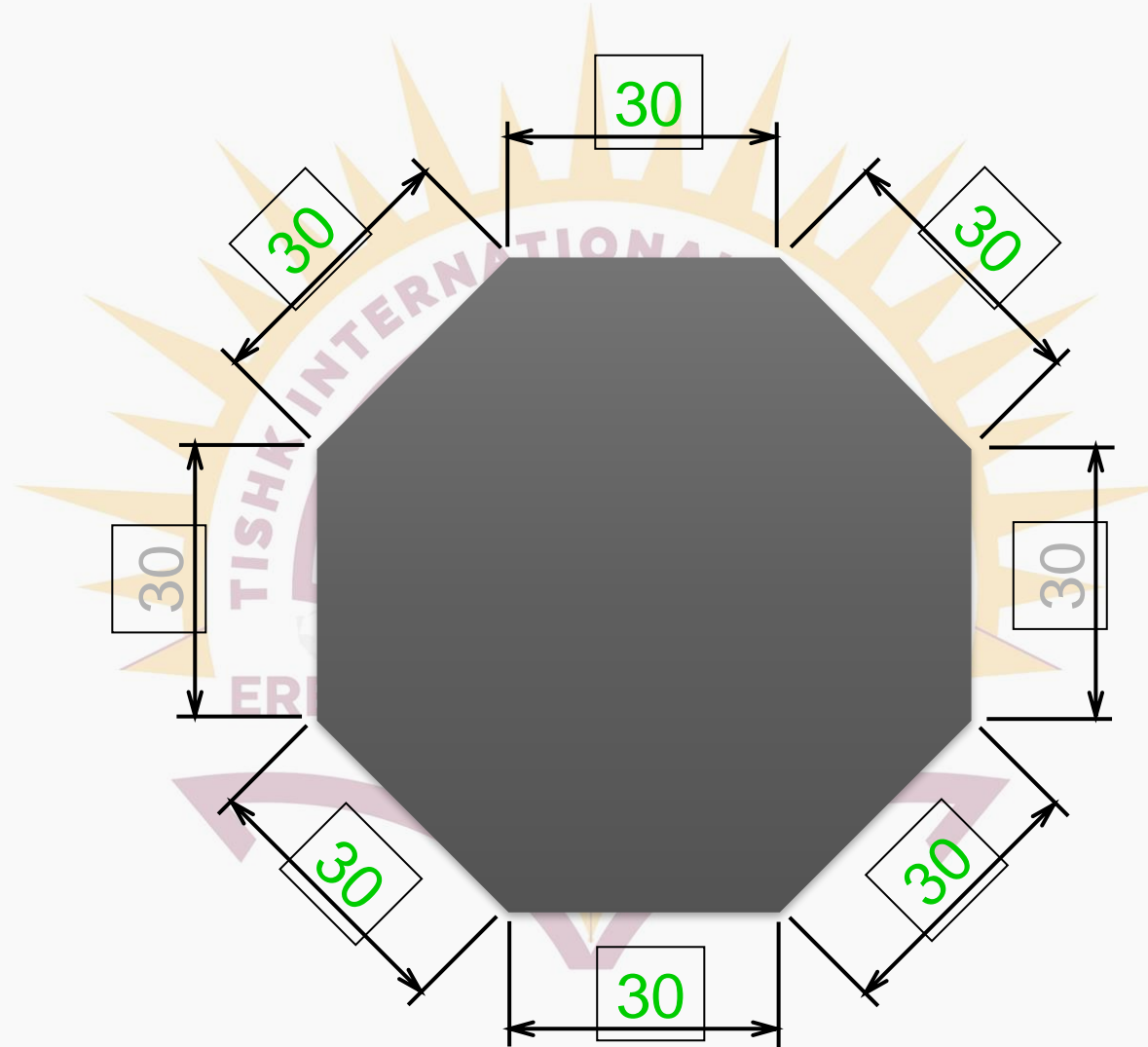


# Dimension Figures

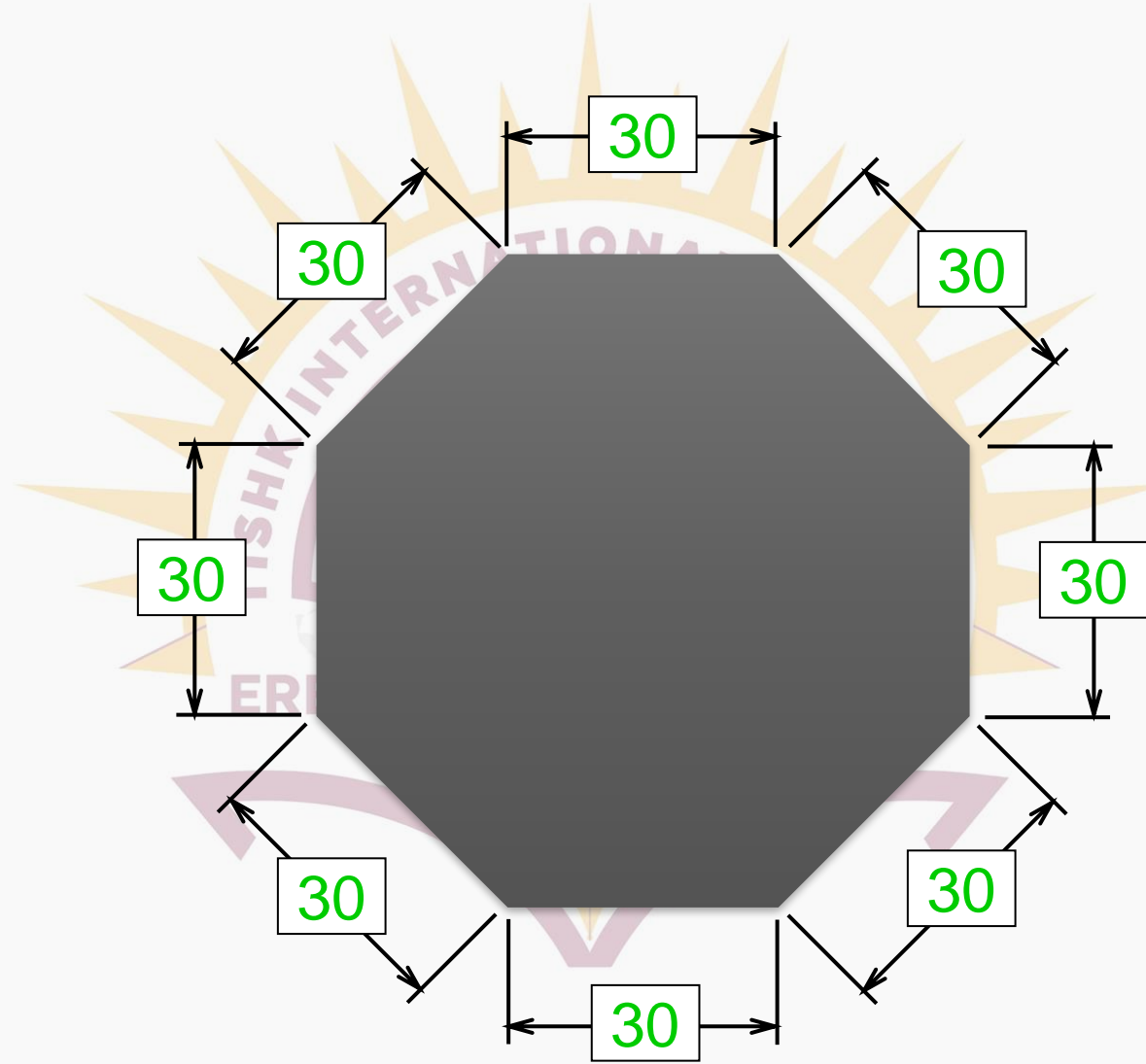
- When there is **not** enough space for figure or arrows, put it **outside** either of the extension lines.



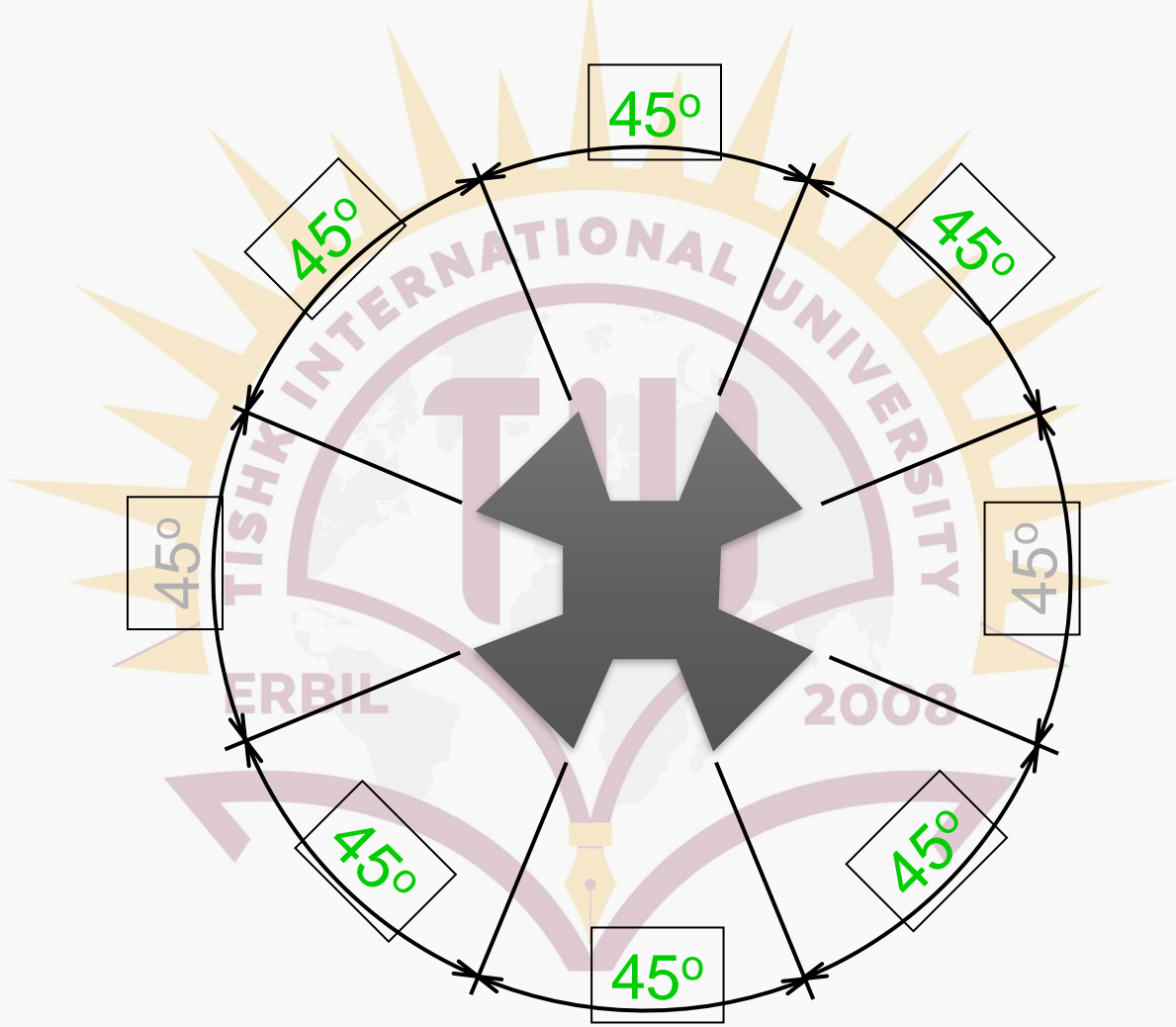
**EXAMPLE :** Dimension of *length* using *aligned* method.



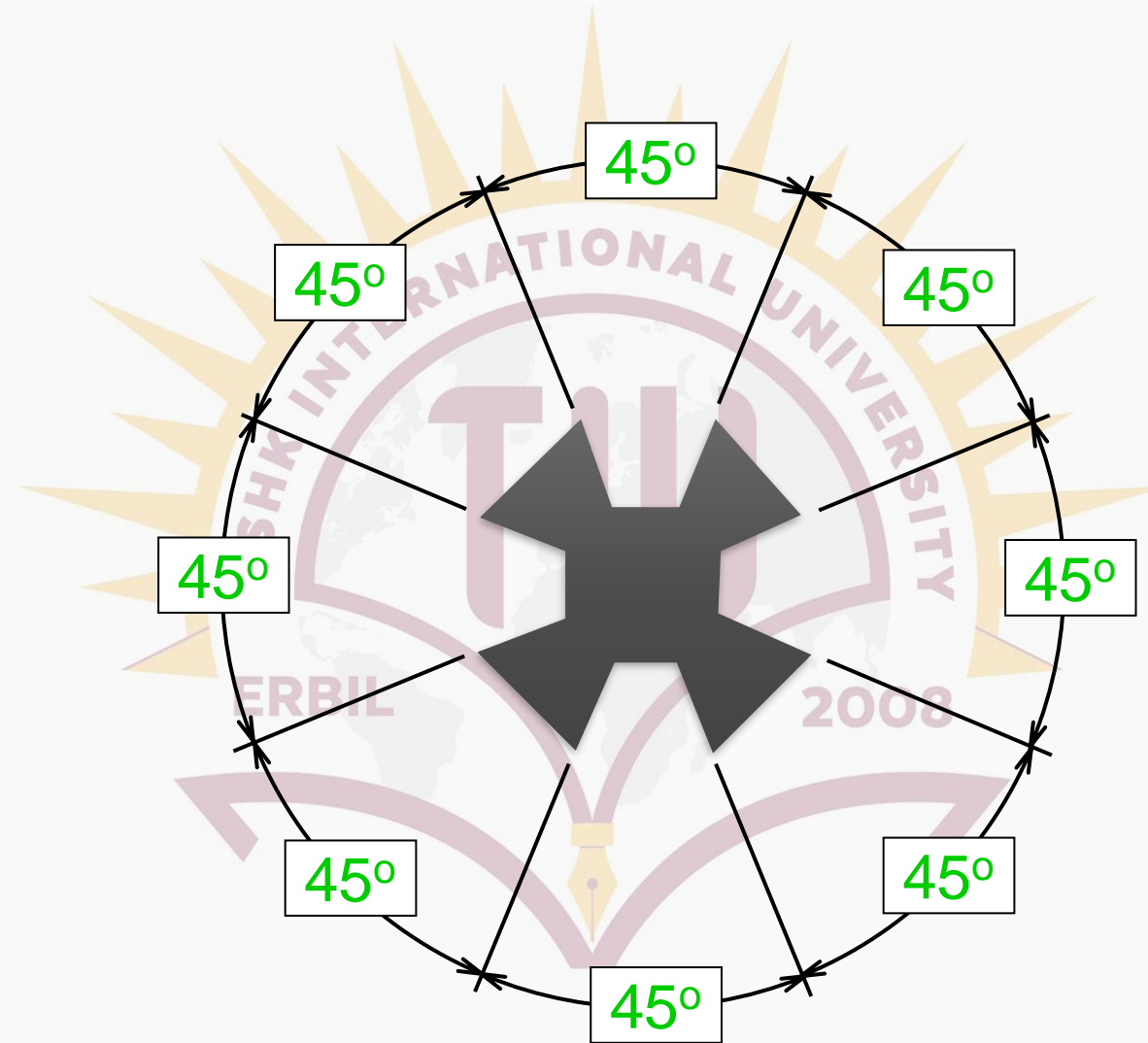
**EXAMPLE :** Dimension of *length* using *unidirectional* method.



**EXAMPLE :** Dimension of *angle* using *aligned* method.

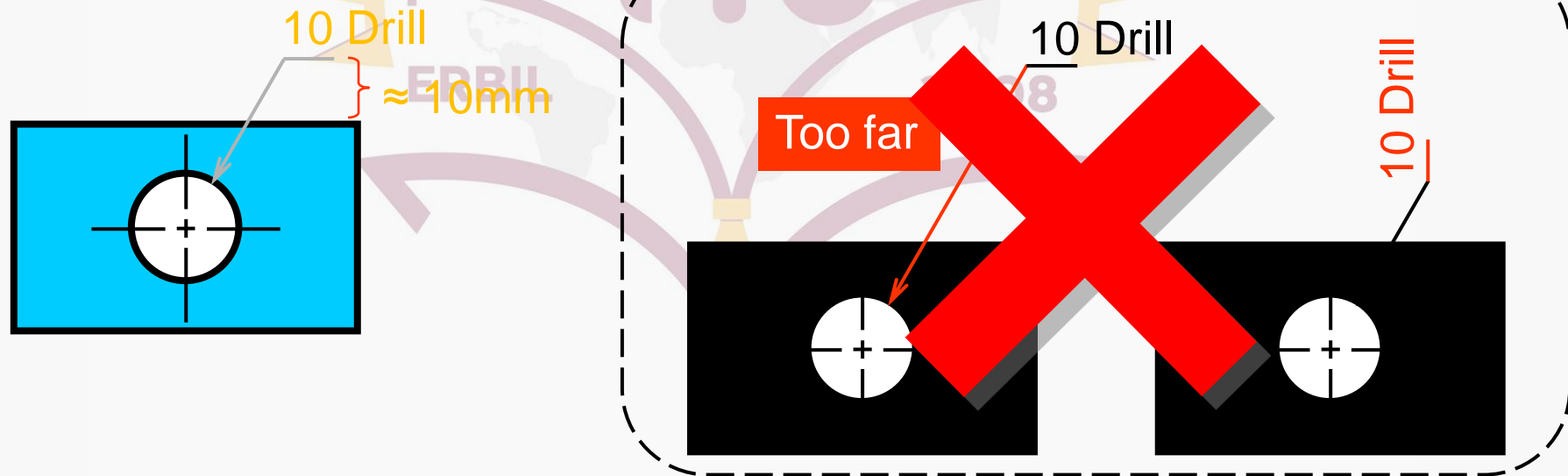


**EXAMPLE :** Dimension of *angle* using *unidirectional* method.



# LOCAL NOTES

- Place the notes **near** to the feature which they apply, and should be placed outside the view.
- Always read **horizontally**.



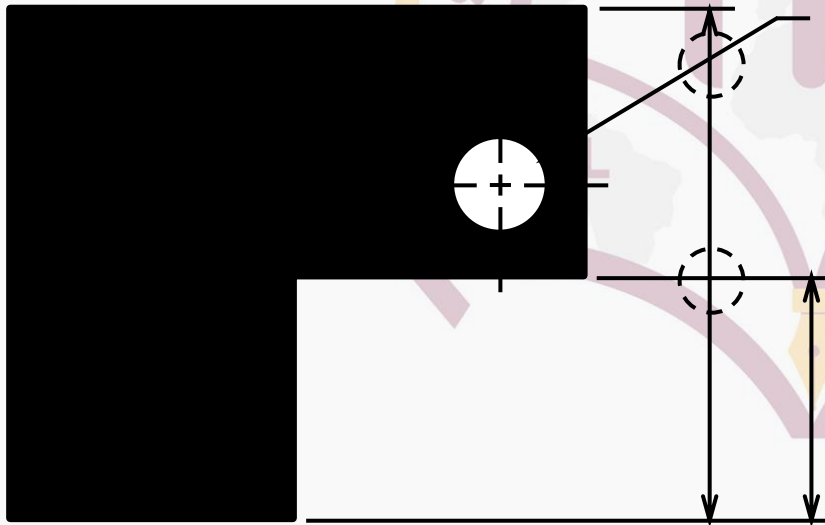


***Placement of  
Dimensions***

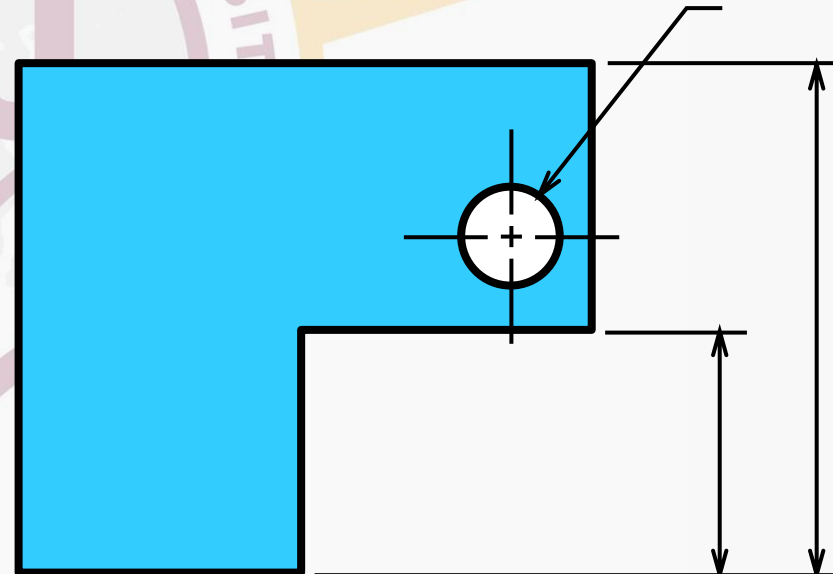
## Recommended Practice

1. Extension lines, leader lines **should not** cross dimension lines.

POOR



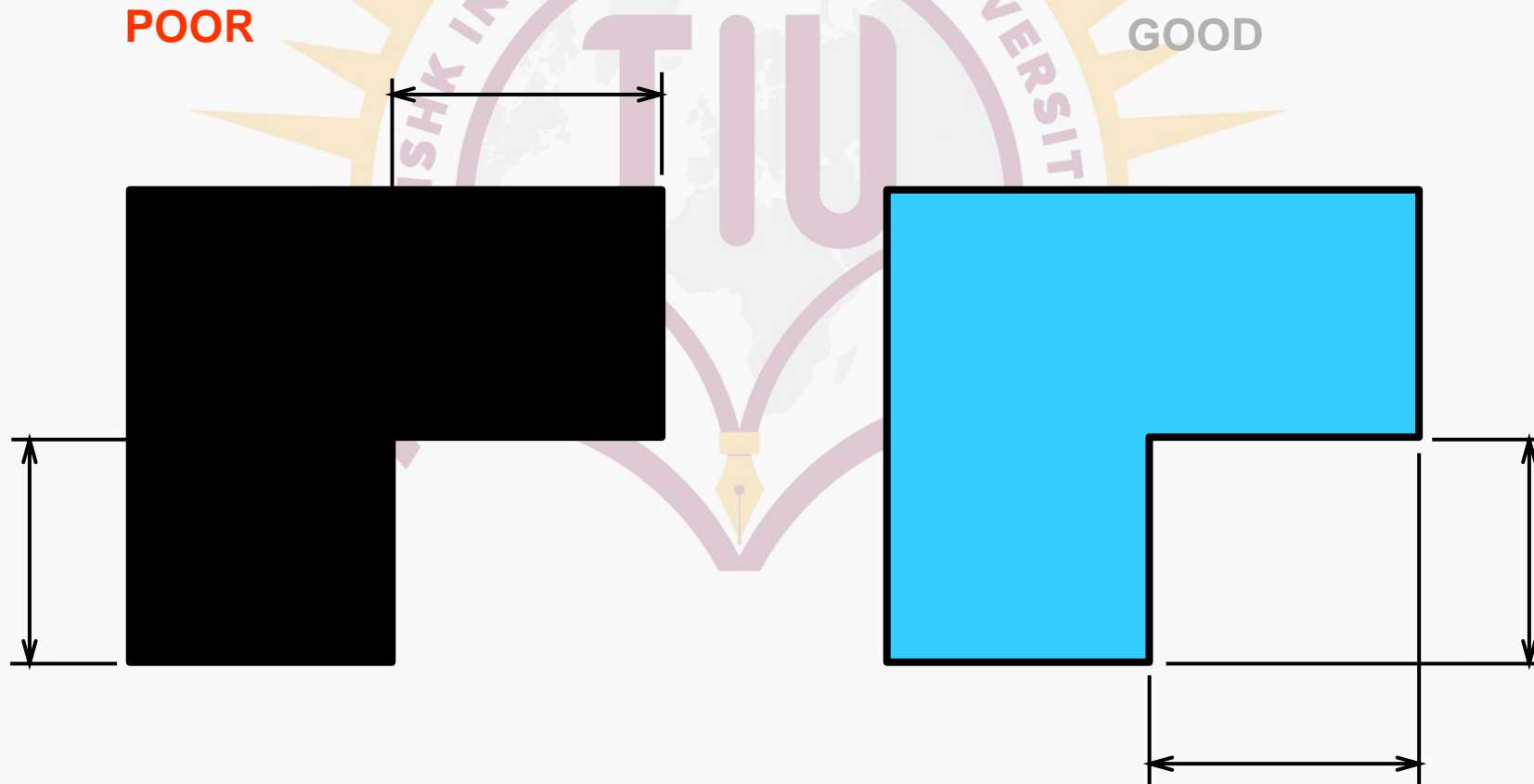
GOOD





# Recommended Practice

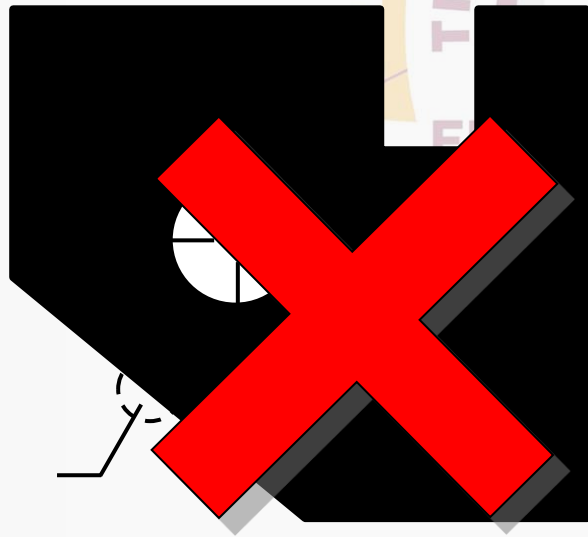
2. Extension lines **should be** drawn from the nearest points to be dimensioned.



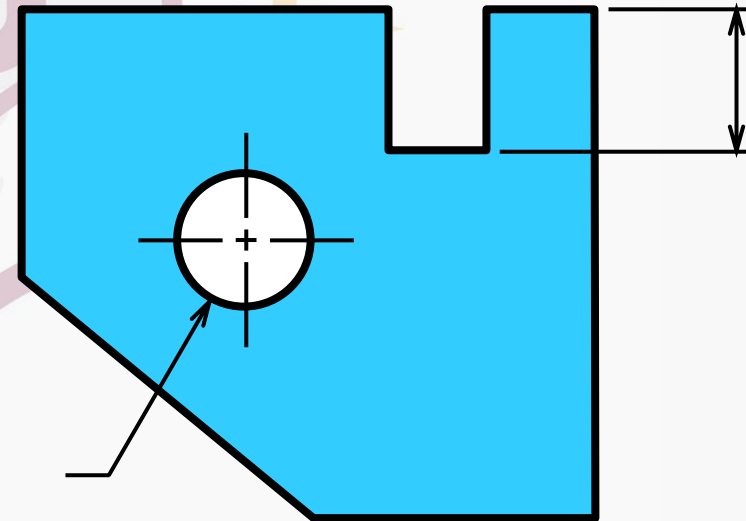
## Recommended Practice

3. *Extension lines of internal feature can cross visible lines without leaving a gap at the intersection point.*

WRONG



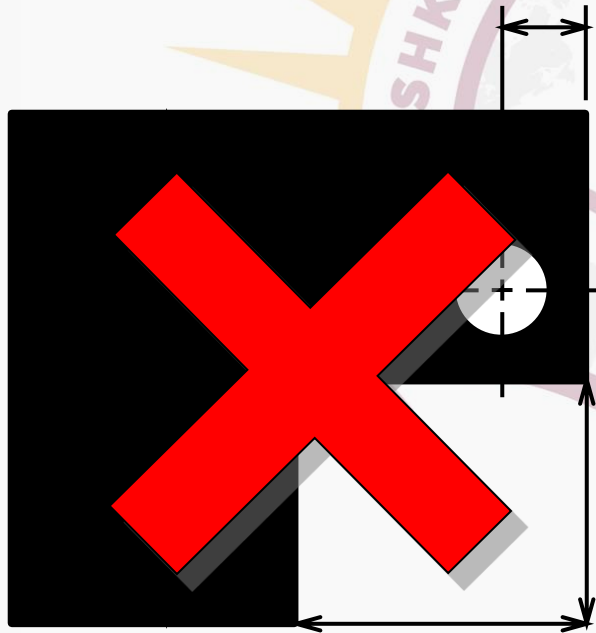
CORRECT



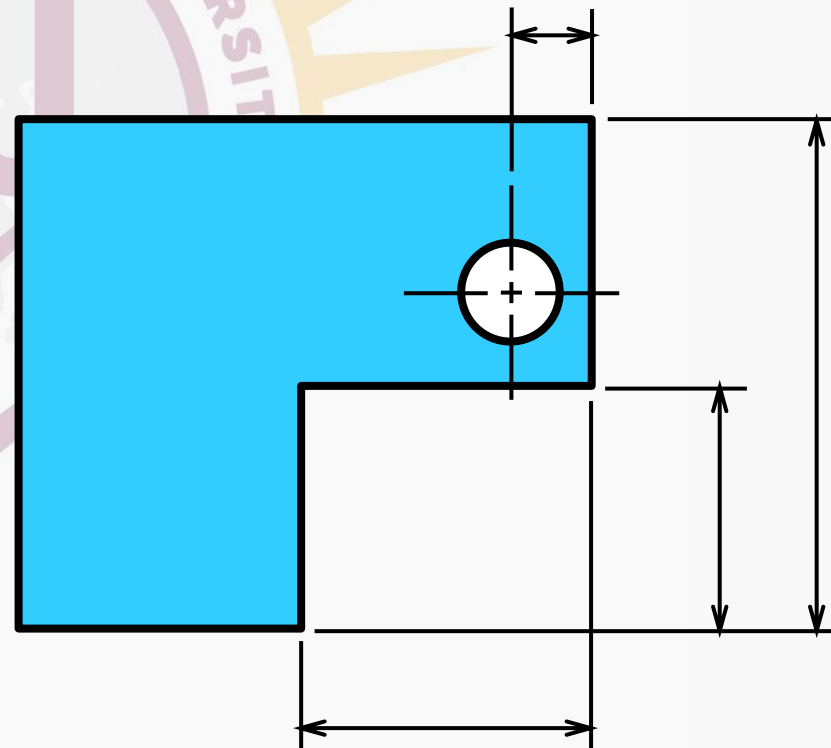
# Recommended Practice

4. *Do not use object line, center line, and dimension line as an extension lines.*

POOR



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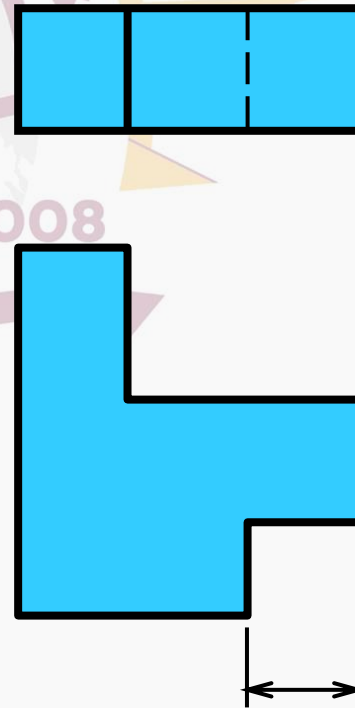
# Recommended Practice

5. *Avoid dimensioning hidden lines.*

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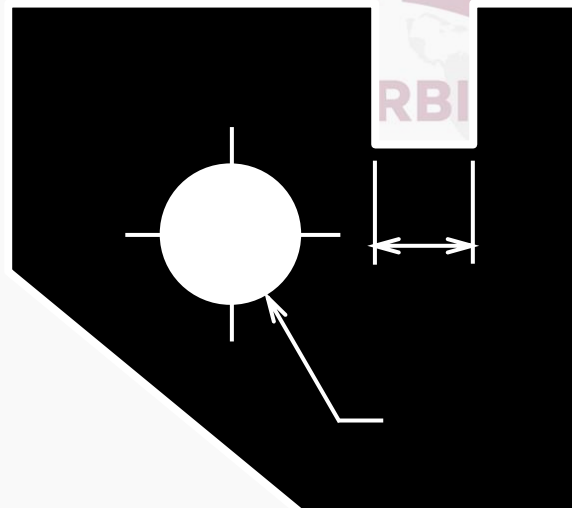
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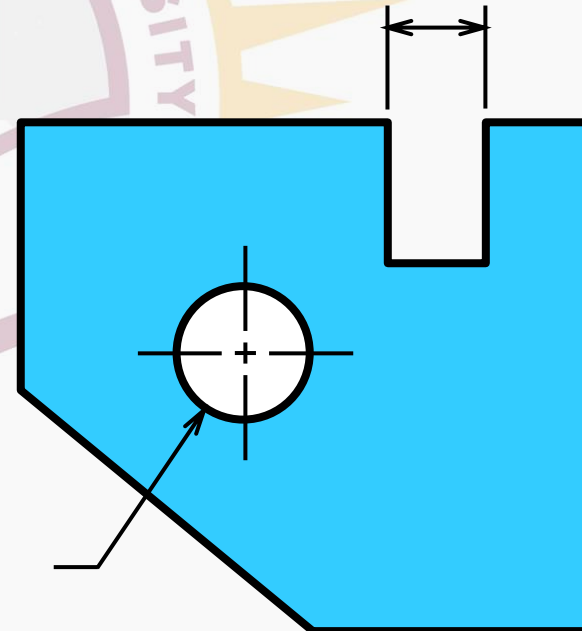
# Recommended Practice

6. Place dimensions **outside** the view, unless placing them inside improve the clarity.

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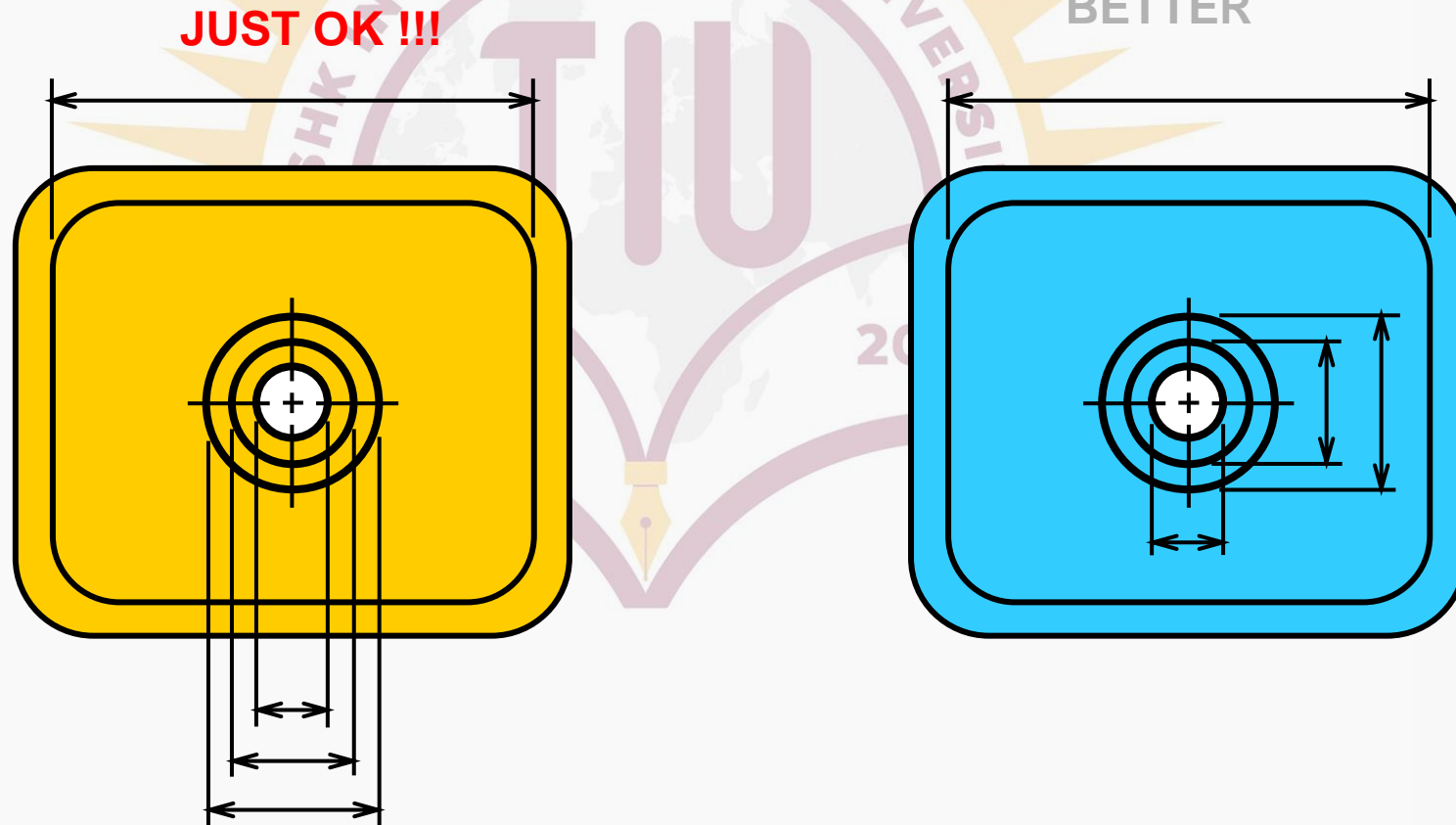


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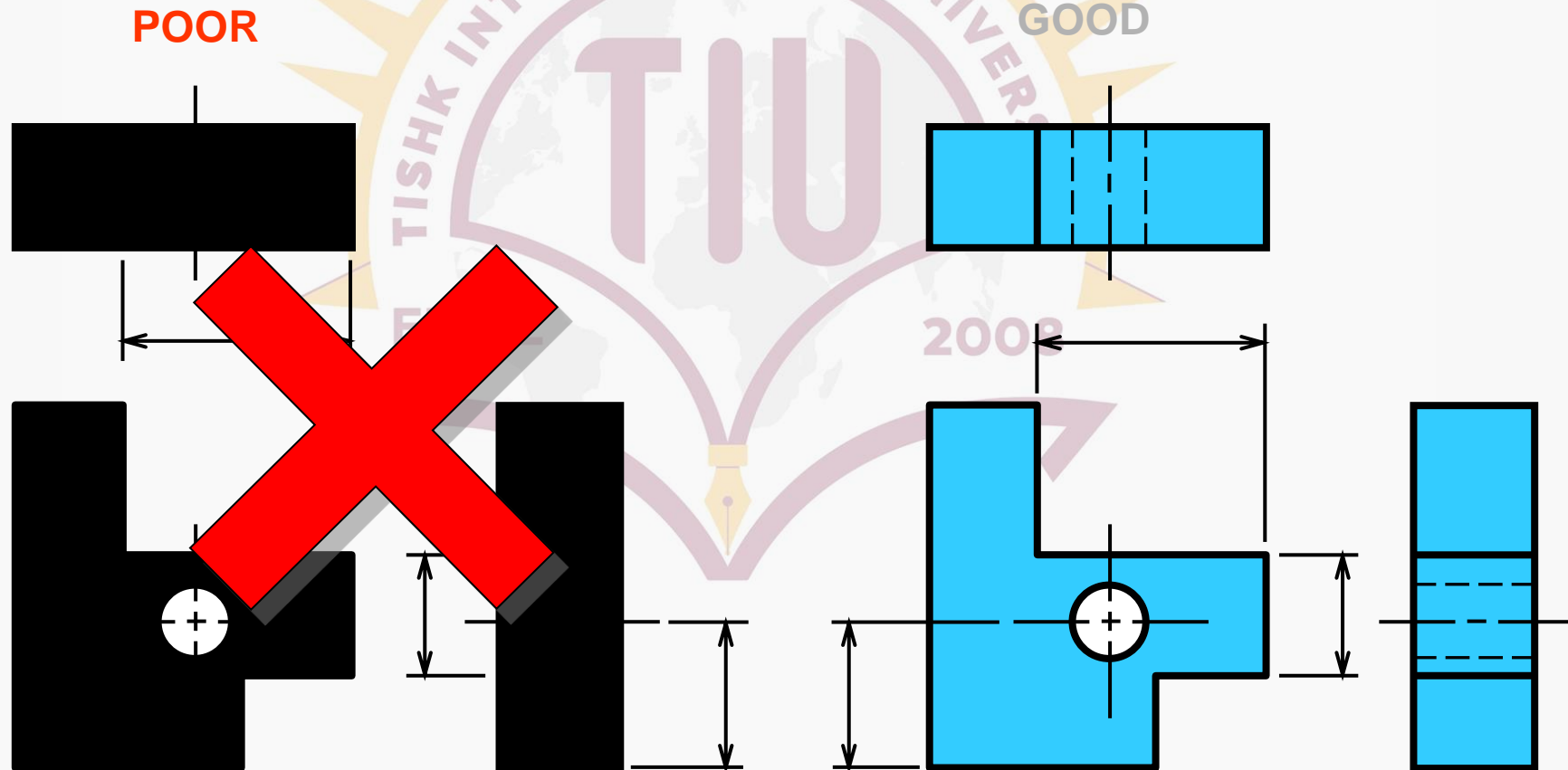
# Recommended Practice

7. Place dimensions **outside** the view, unless placing them inside improve the clarity.



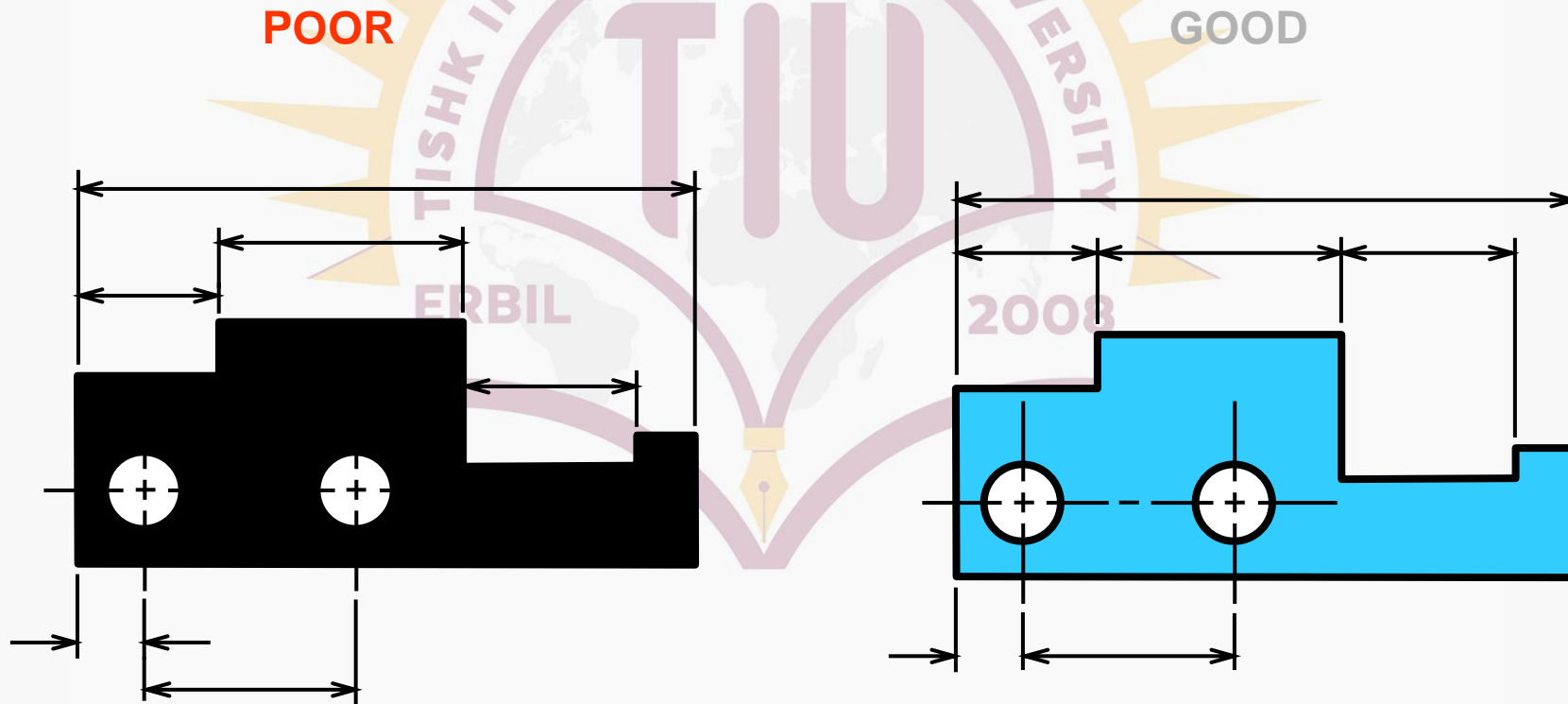
# Recommended Practice

8. Apply the dimension to the view that clearly show the shape or features of an object.



# Recommended Practice

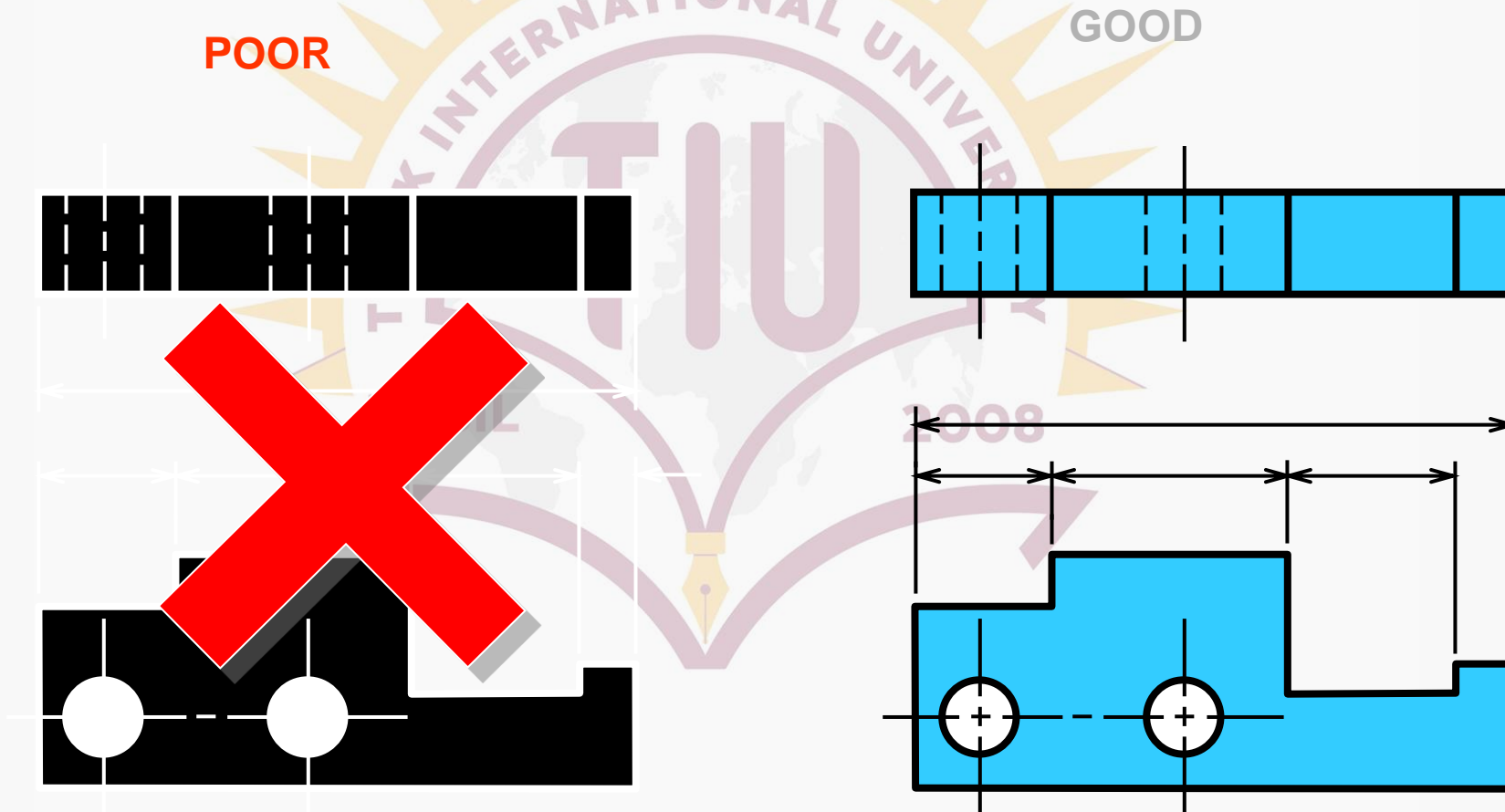
9. Dimension lines should be lined up and grouped together as much as possible.



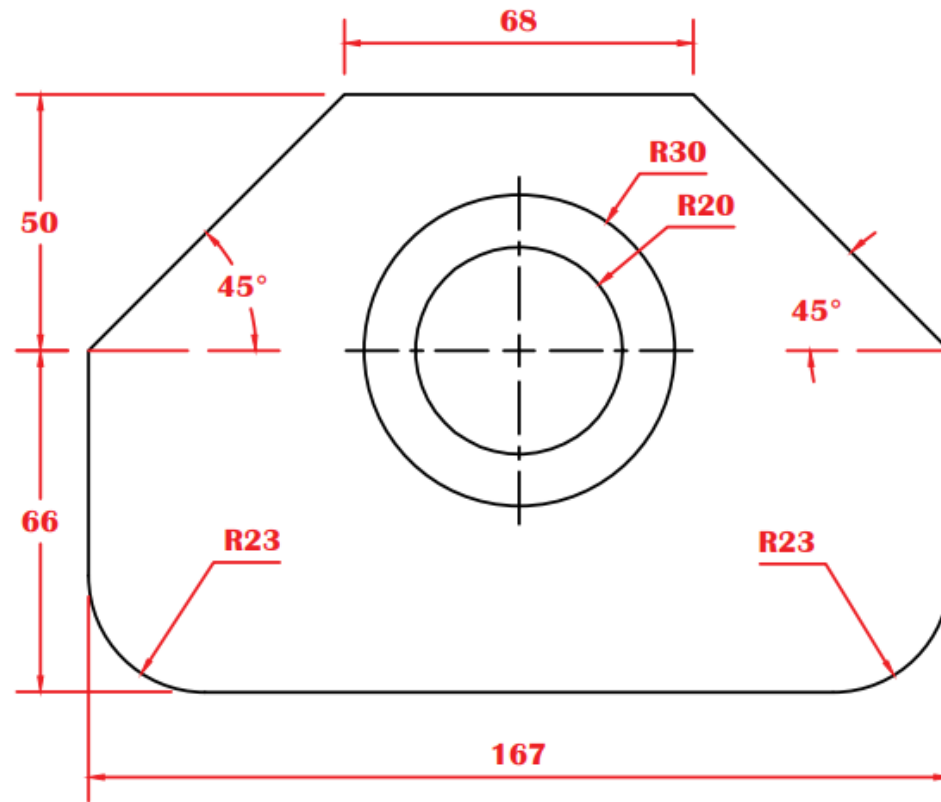


# Recommended Practice

10. *Do not repeat a dimension.*



# Classwork:



# Homework 4.1:

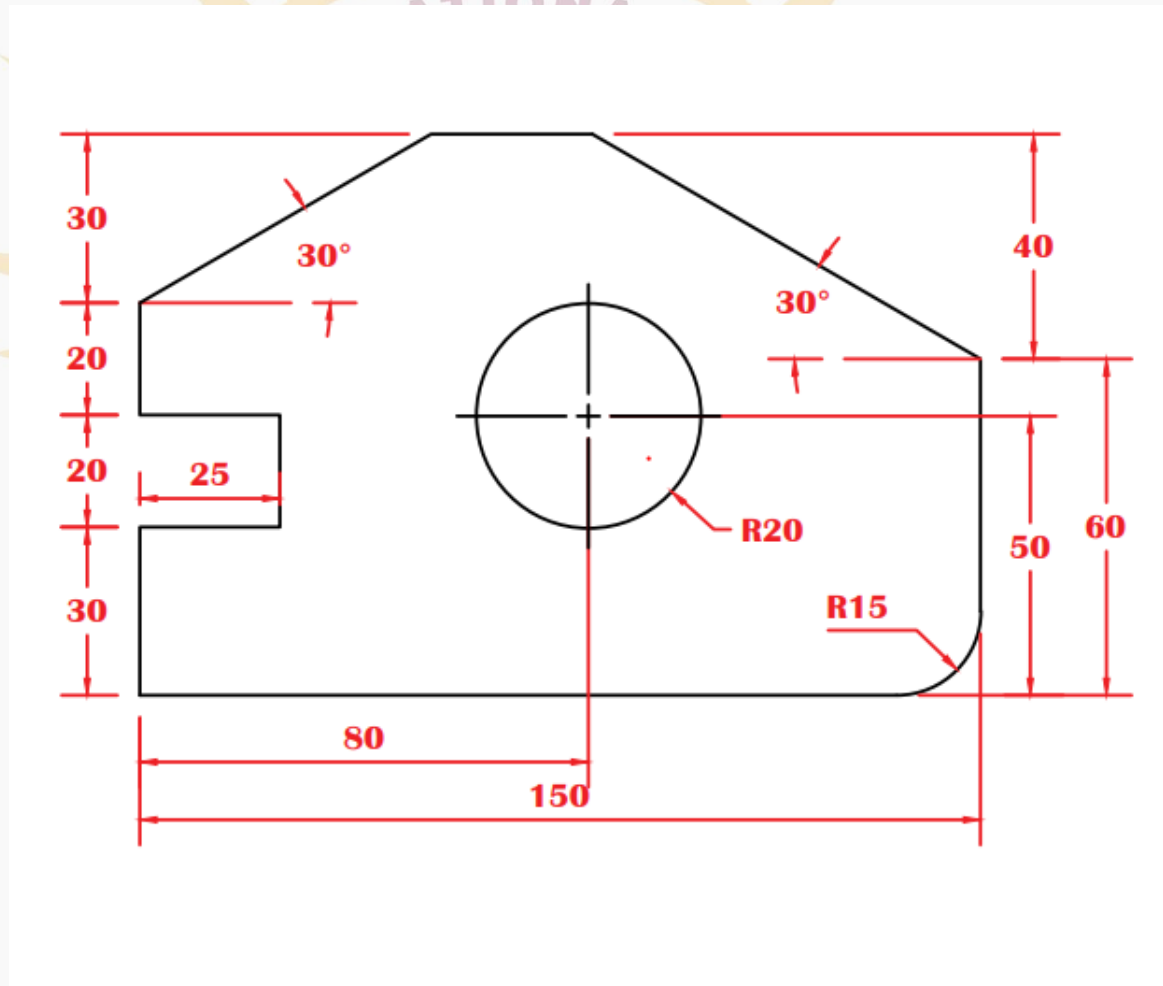
- Write the following piece 3 times. Draw the guide lines first, and then do the lettering based on BIS standards.



SCREW. PIN. NUT. WASHER.  
STUD. BOLT. RIVET. SHOW.  
DEVELOPMENT. DIMENSION.  
DRAWING. COUNTERSUNK. NOTE. ONE LINE OF PRINTING IS  
SEPARATED FROM THE NEXT  
LINE OF PRINTING BY A SPACE EQUAL TO THE HEIGHT OF  
THE LETTERS SCALE FULL SIZE MAT: CAST IRON. WORDS IN  
FREEHAND LETTERING -  
FIG 4 -  
NOTES SHOULD BE BRIEF AND  
CONCISE BUT M U S T CONTAIN SUFFICIENT INFORMATION -  
THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NOTE  
MUST BE SIMPLE, WITHOUT FANCY WORDING, AND EASILY  
UNDERSTOOD WITH NO POSSIBILITY OF MISTAKE.

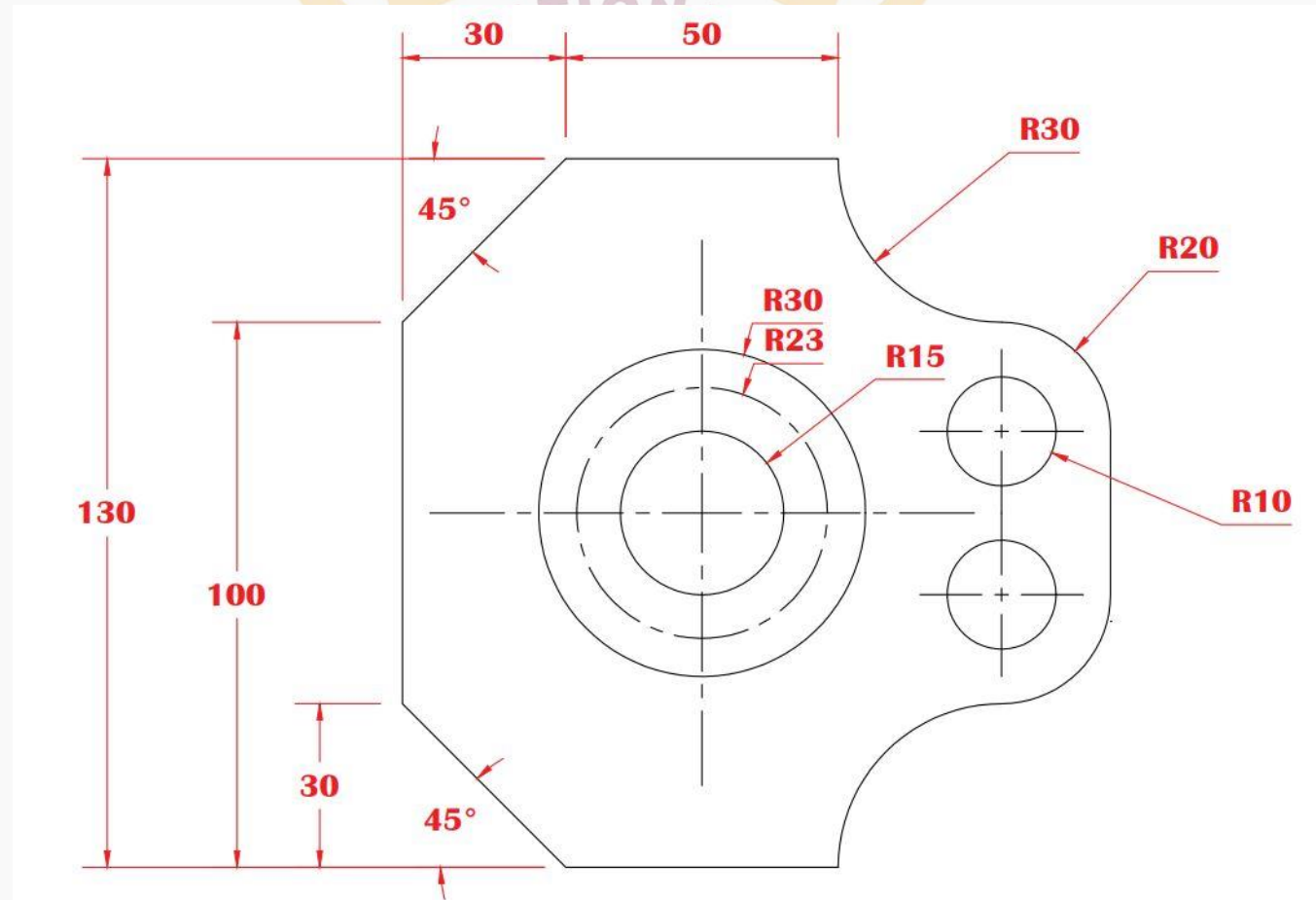
# Homework 4.2:

Draw and Place dimensions:



# Homework 4.3:

Draw and Place dimensions:



# Homework 4.4:

Draw and Place dimensions:

