# SOLIDWORKS CITRUS SQUEEZER EBOOK





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# How to Model a Citrus Squeezer in SolidWorks?

In this SolidWorks tutorial I will show you how to model the famous Citrus Squeezer of Philippe Starck in SolidWorks.

Philippe Starck is a famous French designer. He's one of the best known designers in the New Design style. The designs of Starck range from a luxury private yacht to mass produced consumer products such as chairs, dinnerware and even complete houses. This citrus squeezer is also called "Juicy Salif" It may look like a spider at a first glance. While this juice squeezer does not serve as a practical tool, it is eye-catching and provocative. I thought it would be awesome to make a SolidWorks tutorial about this famous design squeezer.



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#### Open a new part with model units set to millimeters

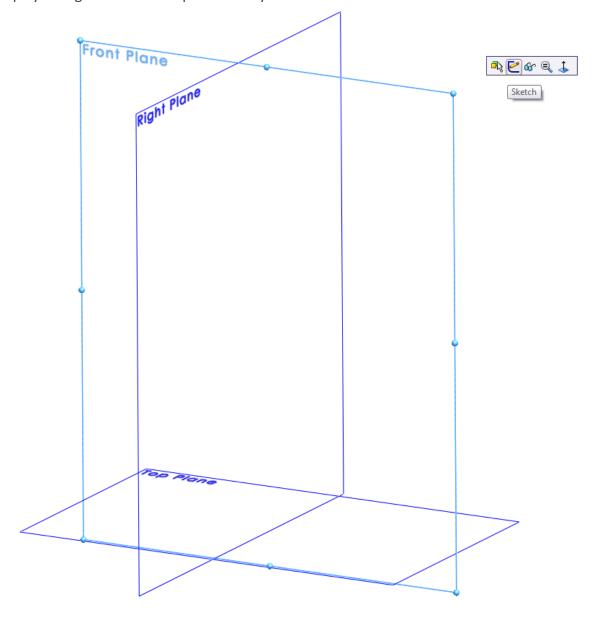
Go to: File > New > Part



#### Create a 2D sketch

Select the Front Plane in the feature tree (menu at the left side) and create a sketch by clicking on the 2D Sketch icon

The display changes so the Front plane faces you.





#### **Insert a blueprint**

For this tutorial we use a blueprint of the citrus squeezer to create the organic shape.

Download the blueprint **here** and save it into your SolidWorks folder

Go to: Tools > Sketch Tools > Sketch Picture

Go to your SolidWorks folder and select the blueprint "SIDEVIEW\_CITRUS\_SQUEEZER.Jpg"

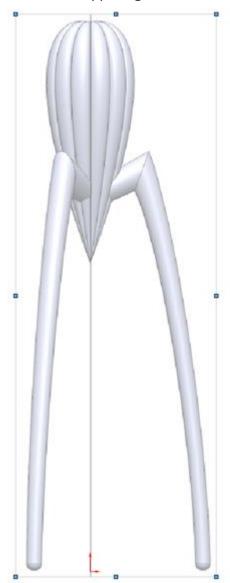
Click: Open

Change the dimensions and position of the blueprint with the menu as shown in the picture.

Select "Full image" in the Transparency tab and change the transparency into 0.50

Click OK

Click at the Sketch button in the upper right corner close the 2D Sketch







#### Create another 2D sketch

Select the Front Plane again and create another sketch by clicking on the 2D Sketch icon <sup>€</sup>

#### **Draw two centerlines**

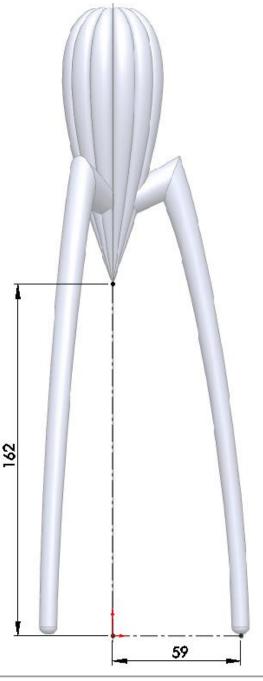
Go to Tools > Sketch Entities > Centerline or click at the Centerline icon

Draw a vertical centerline that starts at the origin.  $\vdash$ 

Change the length of the line into 162 mm by clicking at the dimension button

Draw a horizontal centerline that starts at the origin.

Change the length of the line into 59 mm by clicking at the dimension button



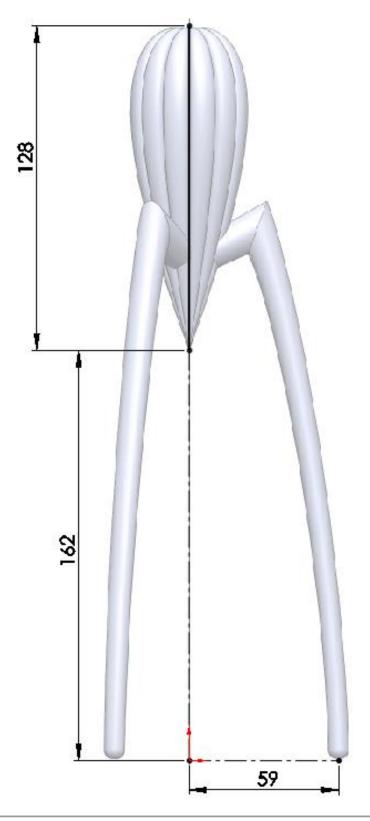


#### **Draw a vertical line**

Go to Tools > Sketch Entities > Line or click at the Line icon Draw a vertical line that starts at the top of the vertical construction line

Change the length of the line into 128 mm by clicking at the dimension button







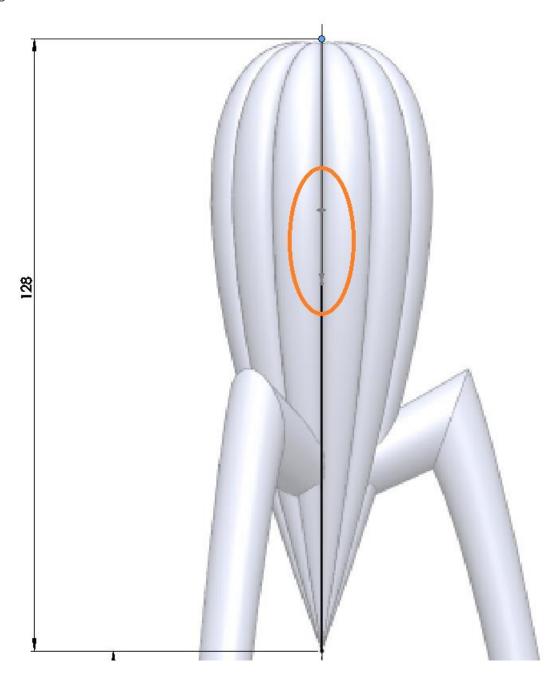
#### **Draw a spline without midpoints**

Go to Tools > Sketch Entities > Spline or click at the Spline icon

Draw a spline, starting at the top point of the solid line and ending at the bottom point of the solid line.

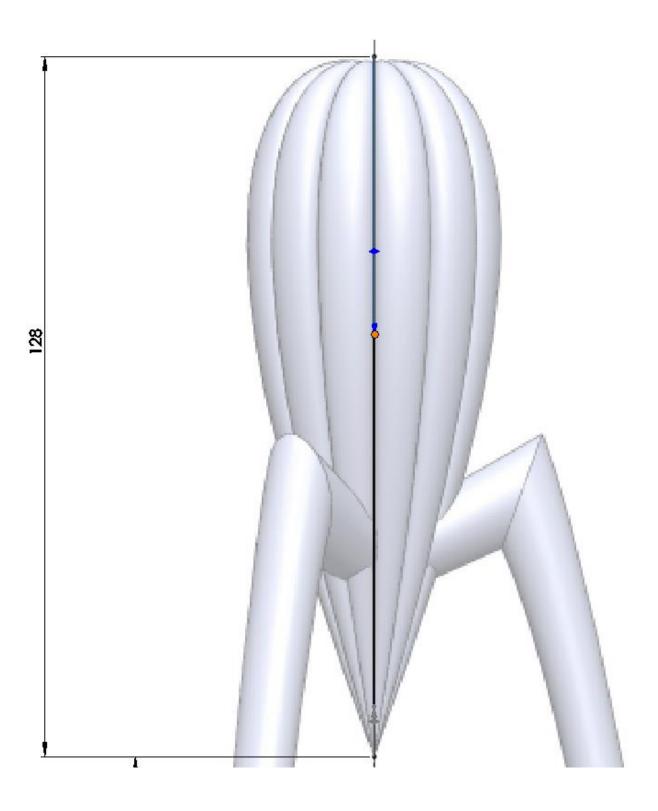
Right mouse button > Select

Click at the Top point of the spline > the grey arrows of the Spline appear as shown in the orange circle



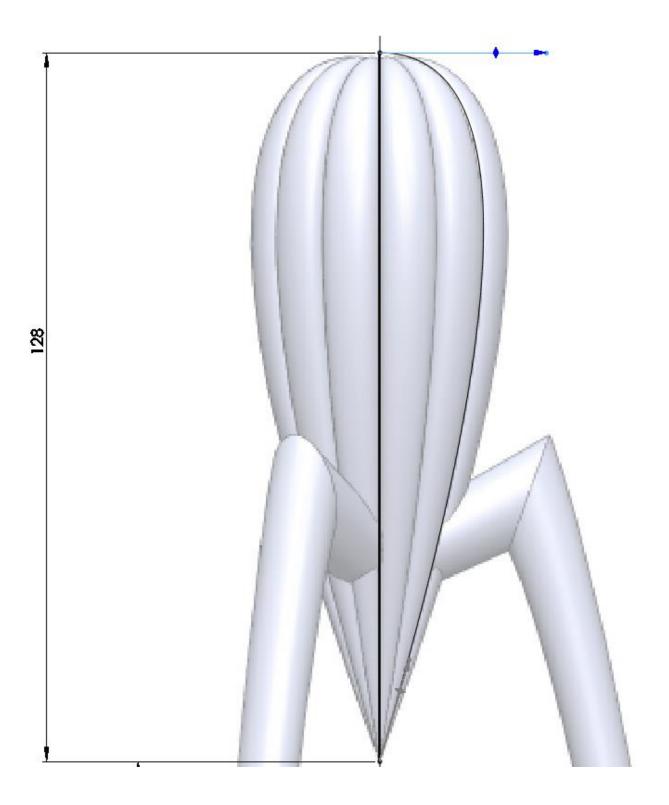


Click and drag the round endpoint of the grey arrow as shown in the picture (the orange dot)





Try to create the inner curve of the blueprint as shown in the picture

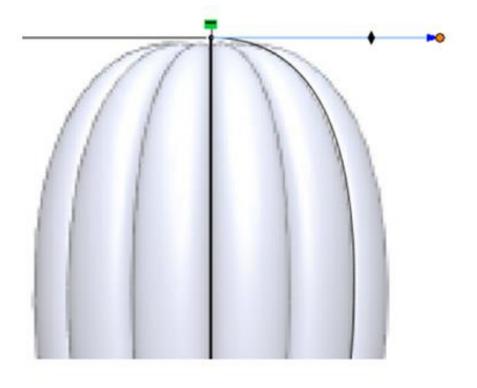


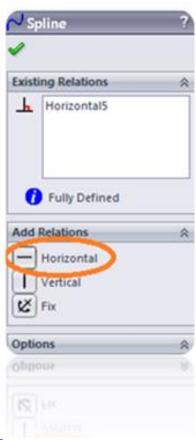


#### Add a tangency relation add the end of the spline

Click at the orange dot as shown in the picture

Select the Horizontal relation in the Spline menu bar at the left side lacktriangleThe endpoint of the spline is fully tangent now





Click at the Sketch button in the upper right corner close the 2D Sketch

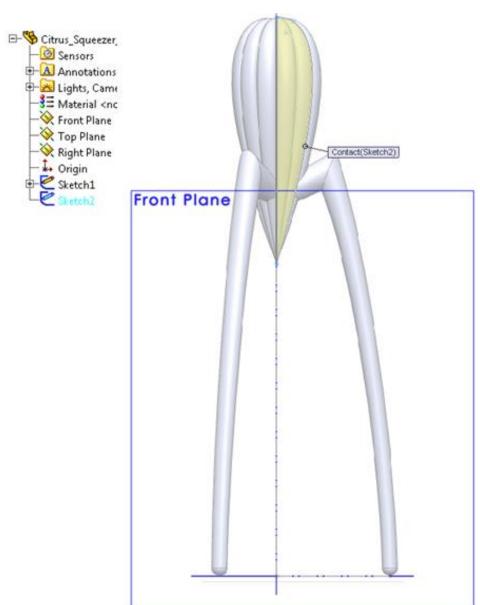


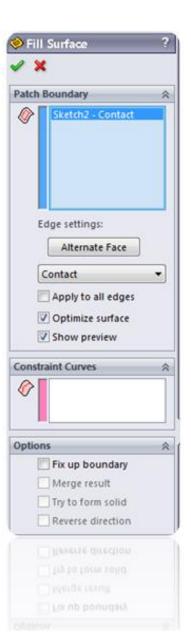


#### Fill the sketch with a surface

Go to Insert > Surface > Fill or click at the Fill icon ◆
Select "Sketch 2" in the feature tree as Patch Boundary sketch ◆







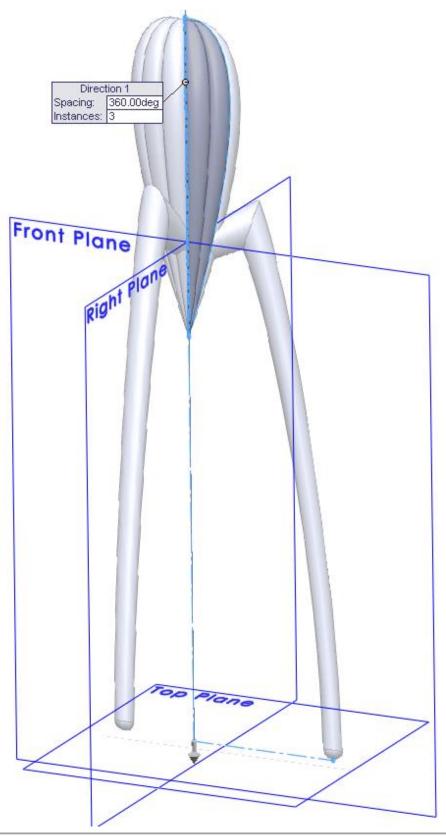


#### **Create a Circular Pattern**

Go to Insert > Pattern/Mirror > Circular Pattern or click at the Circular Pattern icon



Click in the "Parameters" box at the white Pattern-Axis box Select the vertical edge of the surface fill as shown in the picture





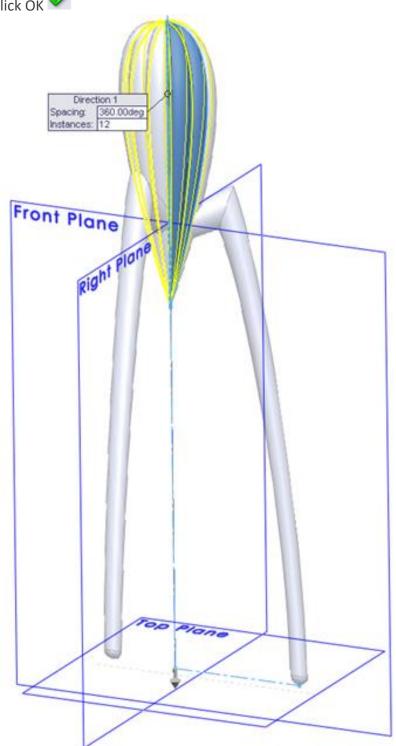
Change the Total Angle into 360 degrees

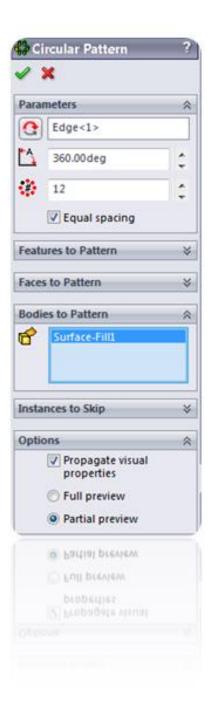
Change the Number of Instances into 12

Select the "Equal Spacing" option

Click at the "Bodies to Pattern" box
Select Surface-Fill1 as "Surface to Pattern"

Click OK





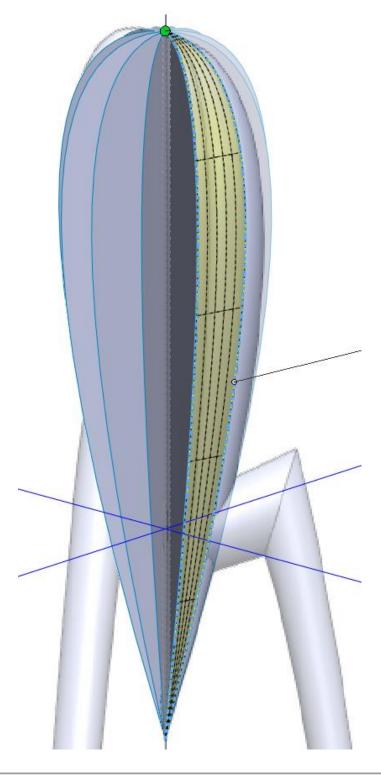


# Create a Surface Loft

Go to Insert > Surface > Loft or click at the Surface icon 👃

Click in the Profiles box 🔼

Select two outer edges of the Circular Pattern as shown in the picture





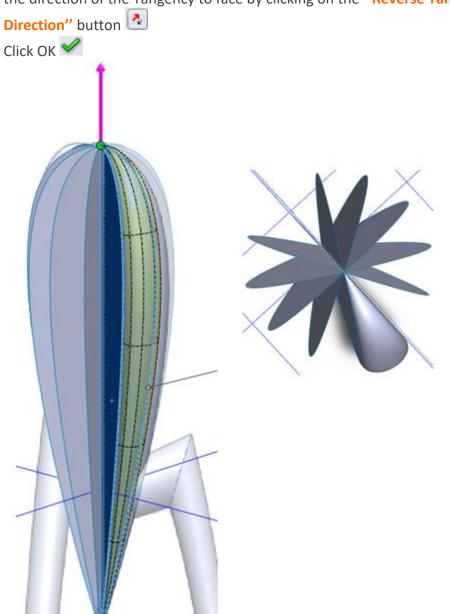
Click at the arrow of the **Start/End Constraints** box to expand this menu Change the **"Start Constraint"** into Tangency to Face Change the "Start Tangent Length" into 4

Select the Apply to all boxes

Change the "End Constraint" into Tangency to Face Change the "End Tangent Length" into 4

Select the Apply to all boxes

Make sure that the shape of the Loft looks like the one in the picture. If not, try to change the direction of the Tangency to face by clicking on the "Reverse Tangent"



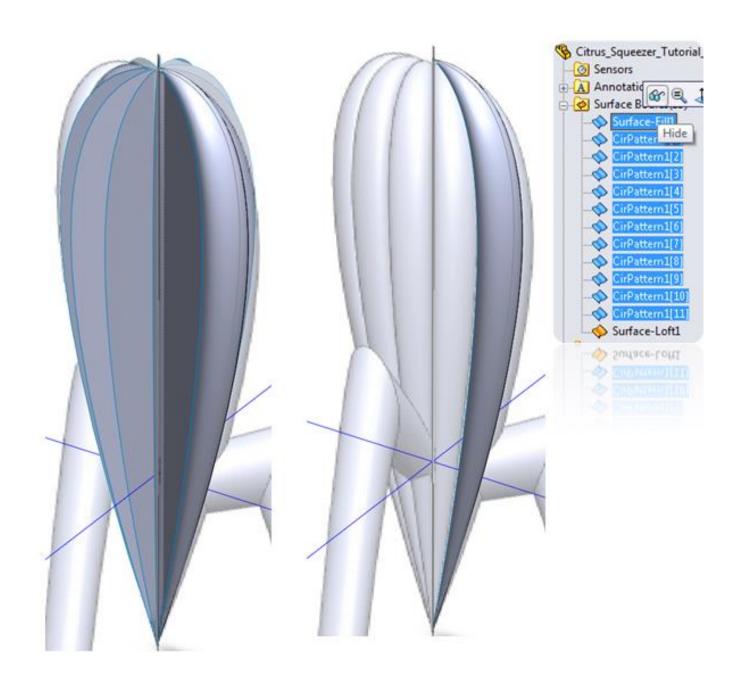




# Hide all surface bodies except the Surface Loft

Expand the **Surface Bodies** map in the Feature Tree Select all Surfaces except Surface-Loft1

Click at the Glasses to hide the Surface Bodies &





#### **Create an Axis**

Go to Insert >Reference Geometry > Axis or click at the Axis icon

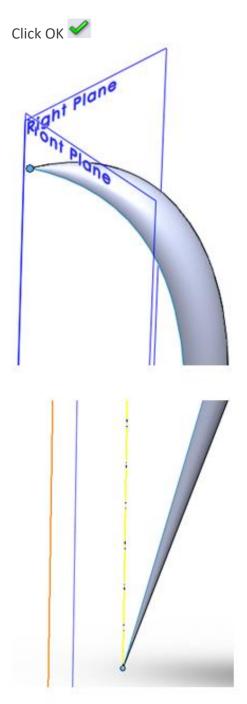


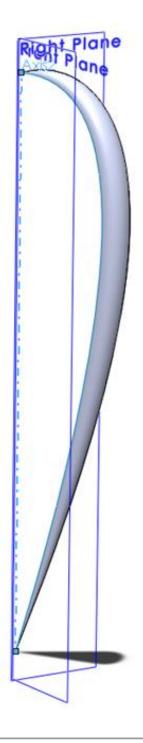
Select the "Two Points/Vertices" option

Click at one of the endpoints of the Surface Loft

Hold down the Control key

Select the other endpoint of the Surface Loft as well









#### **Create another Circular Pattern**

Go to Insert > Pattern/Mirror > Circular Pattern or click at the Circular Pattern icon

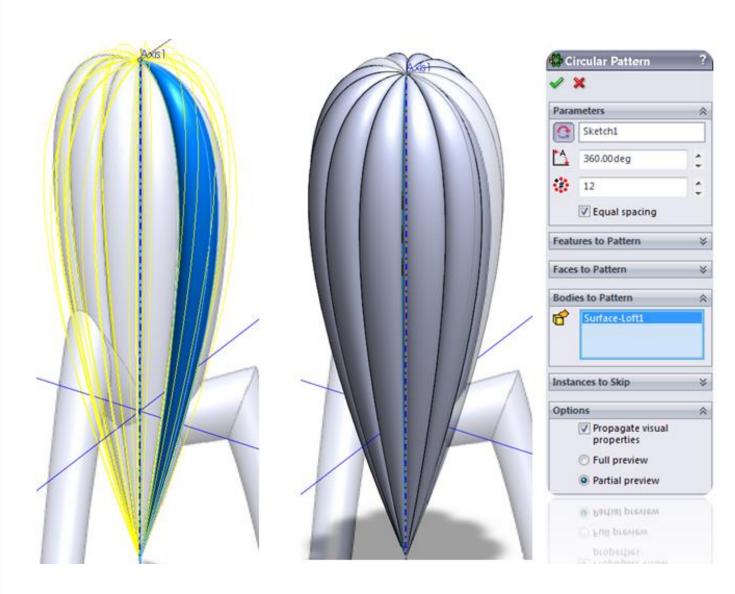


Click in the "Parameters" box at the white Pattern-Axis box

Select the new Axis1 as Pattern Axis

Change the Total Angle into 360 degrees Change the Number of Instances into 12 Select the "Equal Spacing" option

Click at the "Bodies to Pattern" box Select Surface-Loft1 as "Surface to Pattern"





#### Knit the 12 surfaces and create a solid body

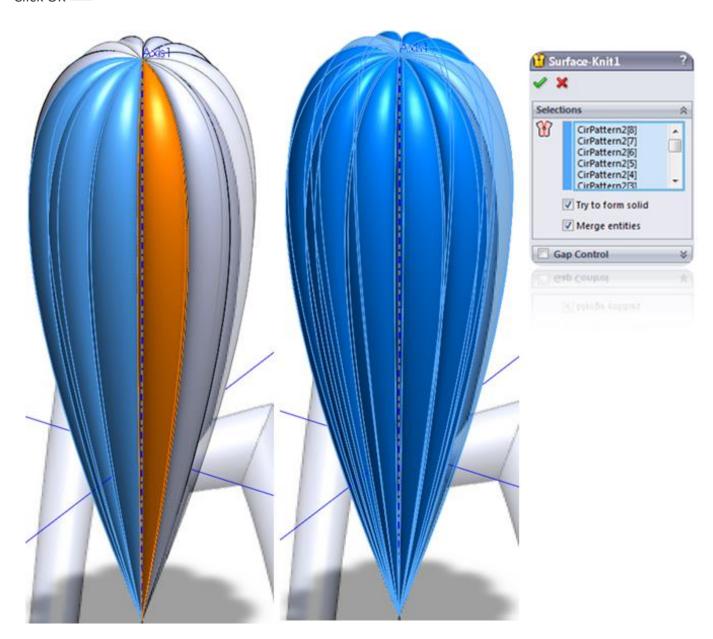
Go to Insert > Surface > Knit or click at the Surface Knit icon

Click in the Selections box and select the 12 Surface Lofts

Select the "Try to form solid" option

Select the "Merge entities" option

Deselect the "Gap Control" option





#### Create another 2D sketch

Select the Front Plane and create a sketch by clicking on the 2D Sketch icon <sup>▶</sup>

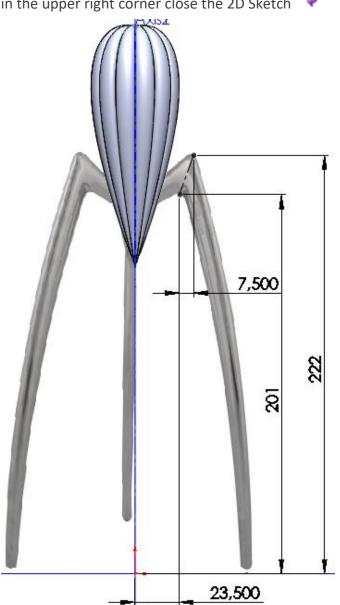
#### **Draw a centerline**

Go to **Tools > Sketch Entities > Centerline** or click at the Centerline icon Draw a diagonal centerline

Change the dimensions of the centerline by clicking at the dimension button Add the dimensions as shown in the picture

This single centerline we will use to create a new plane

Click at the Sketch button in the upper right corner close the 2D Sketch





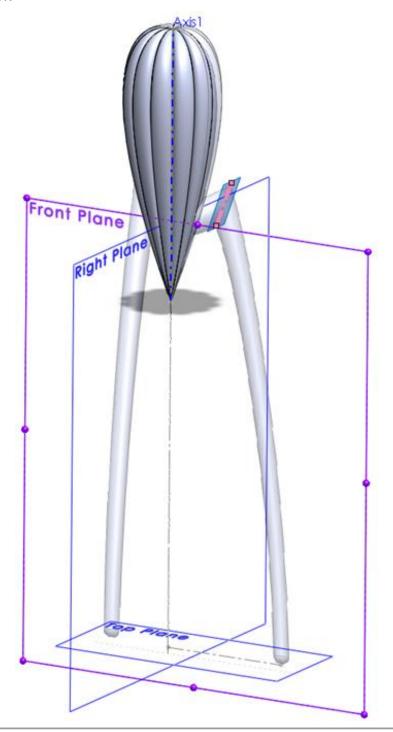
#### Create a new plane

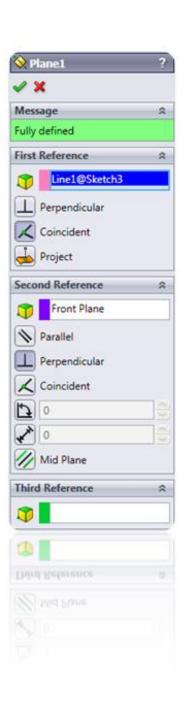
Go to: Insert > Reference Geometry > Plane or click at the New Plane icon Select the new Sketch3 in the feature tree



Hold the Control button and select the Front Plane as shown in the picture

The new plane appears in blue







#### Create another 2D sketch

Select the new Plane1 and create a sketch by clicking on the 2D Sketch icon <sup>▶</sup>

#### Convert Sketch 3 into the new Sketch4

Click at the grey centerline of Sketch3

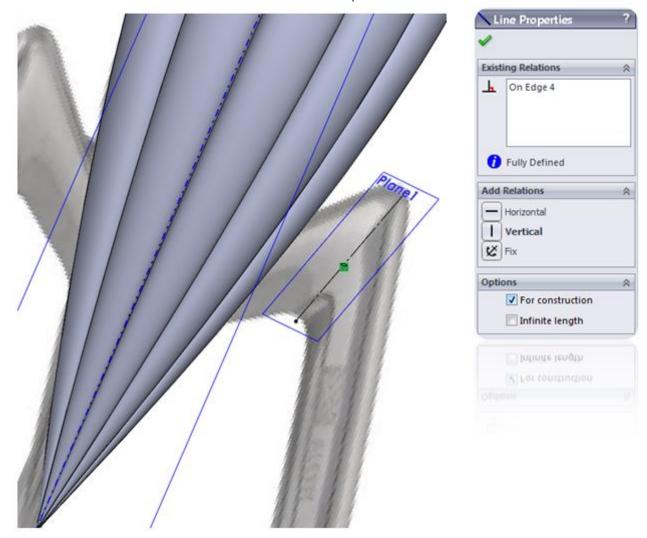
Go to: Tools > Sketch Tools > Convert Entities or click at the Convert Entities icon



Click OK

Change the solid line into a centerline

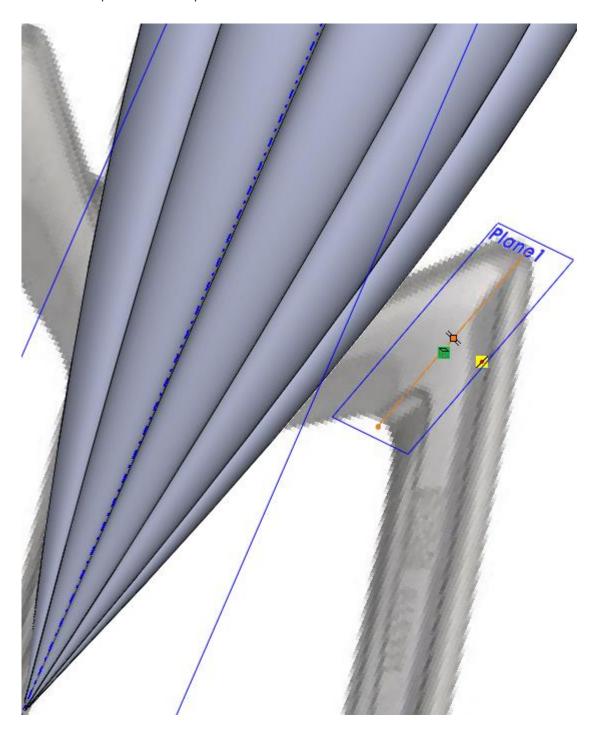
Click at the new line > Select the For Construction option in the menu at the left side





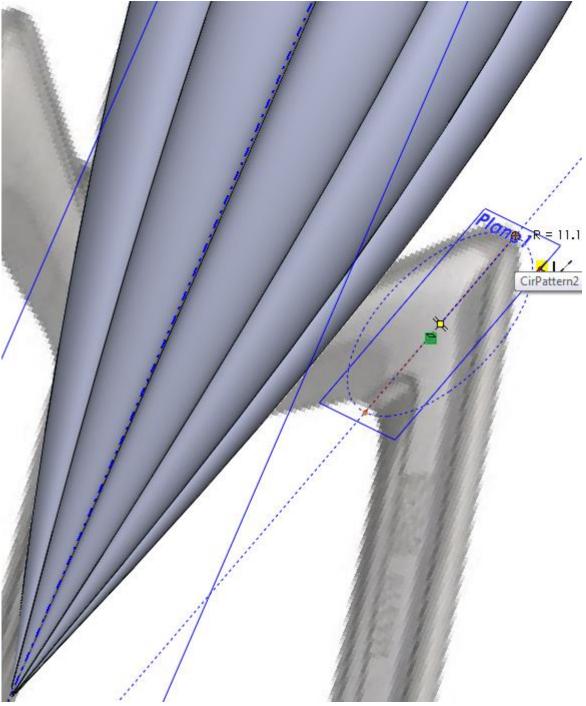
# Create an Ellipse

Go to: Tools > Sketch Entities > Ellipse or click at the Ellipse icon Start the Ellipse at the midpoint of the centerline





Click at one of the ends of the centerline to set the height of the Ellipse



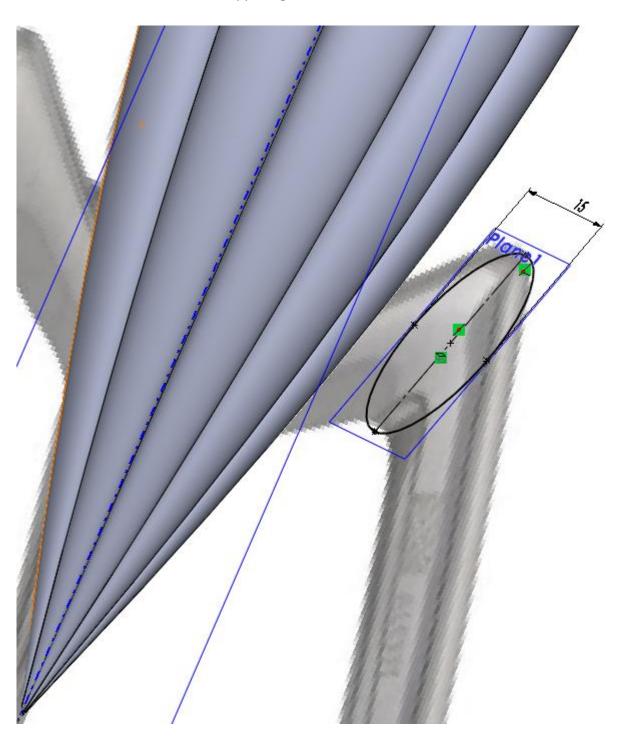
Click somewhere next to the construction line to set the width of the Ellipse



Change the width by clicking at the dimension button The Ellipse is fully defined

Click at the Sketch button in the upper right corner close the 2D Sketch







#### Create another 2D sketch

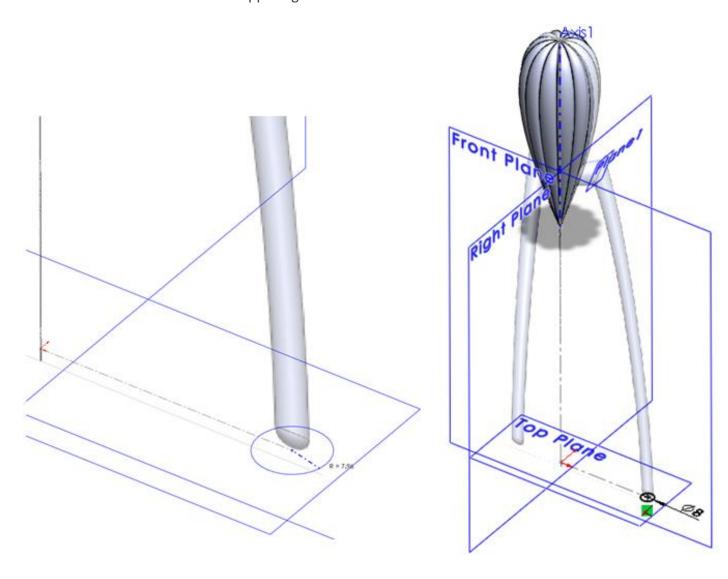
Select the Top Plane and create a sketch by clicking on the 2D Sketch icon <sup>€</sup>

## Create a circle at the end of the construction line of Sketch2

Go to: Tools > Sketch Entities > Circle or click at the Circle icon

Draw a circle witch starts at the endpoint of the construction line of Sketch3

Change the dimension of the circle into 8 mm as shown in the picture Click at the Sketch button in the upper right corner close the 2D Sketch



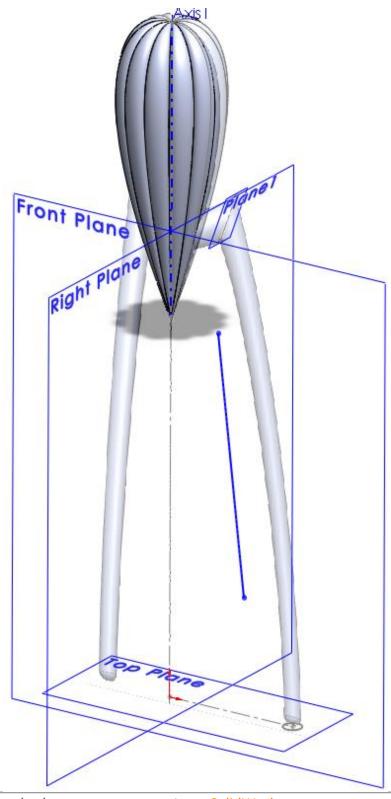


#### **Create another 2D sketch**

Select the Front Plane and create a sketch by clicking on the 2D Sketch icon <sup>€</sup>

## **Draw a spline without midpoints**

Go to: Tools > Sketch Entities > Spline or click at the Spline icon





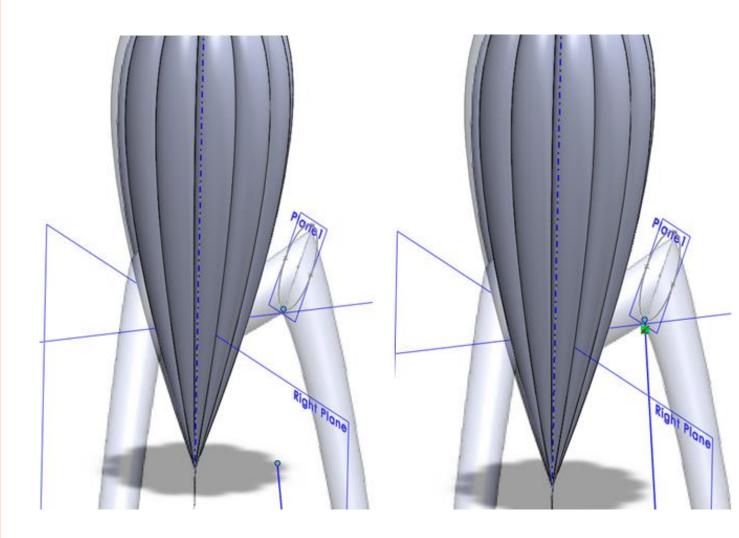
# Connect the Spline with Sketch4 and Sketch5

Select the upper endpoint of the Spline

Hold down the Control key on your keyboard

Click at the lower endpoint of the Ellipse in Sketch4 as shown in the picture

Click at the **Coincident** icon in the **Add Relations** box Click OK



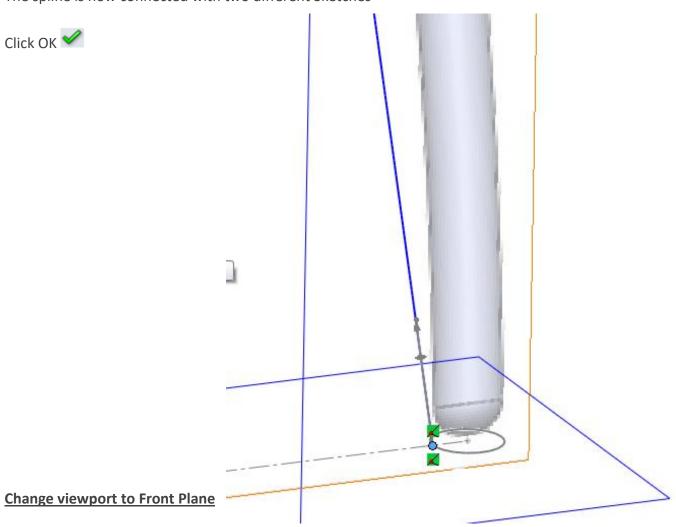


Select the lower endpoint of the Spline

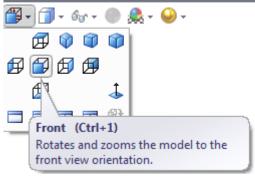
Hold down the left key of your mouse and drag the spline to the circle of Sketch5.

SolidWorks will automatically add a **Coincident** relation with the circle. Make sure that the Spline is connected with the edge of the circle instead of the center as shown in the picture

The spline is now connected with two different Sketches



Click at Control+1 or click at the View Orientation box and click at Front Plane





#### Change the curve of the Spline like the blueprint

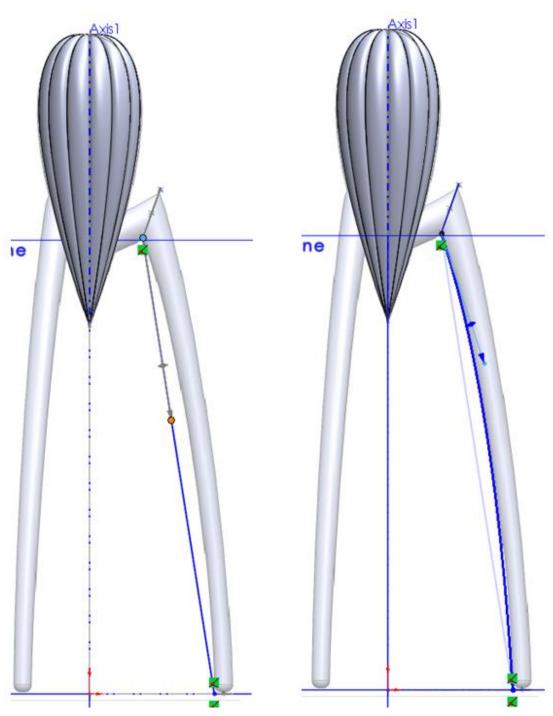
Click at the Top point of the spline > the grey arrows of the Spline appear

Click and drag the round endpoint of the grey arrow as shown in the picture (the orange dot)

Try to create the curve of the blueprint as shown in the picture

Click at the Sketch button in the upper right corner close the 2D Sketch







#### **Create a Solid Loft**

Go to: Insert > Boss/Base > Loft or click at the Loft icon 4

Click in the Profiles box 🔼

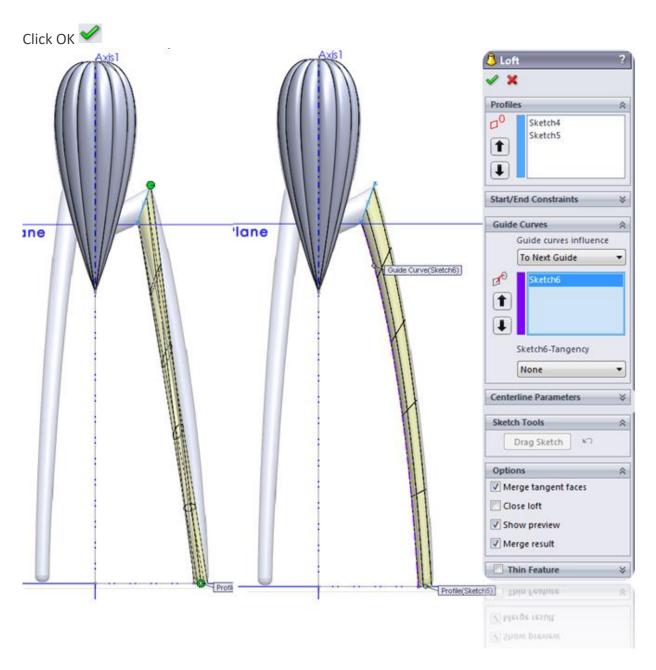
Select Sketch4 and Sketch5 as shown in the picture

**NOTE:** The easiest way to select all the profiles and curves for this loft is to select them in the feature tree. This avoids errors and saves time.

Click in the Guide Curves box 💅

Select Sketch6 as shown in the picture

Guide curves influence: To Next Guide





#### Create another 2D sketch

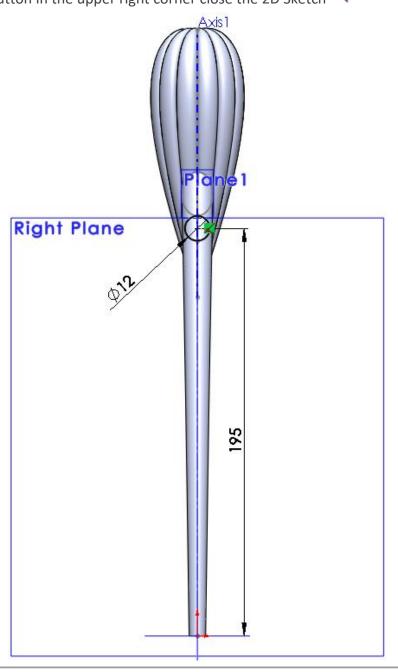
Select the Right Plane and create a sketch by clicking on the 2D Sketch icon <sup>▶</sup>

#### Create a circle

Go to: Tools > Sketch Entities > Circle or click at the Circle icon 

Draw a circle witch starts at the Right Plane as shown in the picture

Change the dimension of the circle into 12 mm as shown in the picture Change the height of the circle into 195 mm starting at the origin Click at the Sketch button in the upper right corner close the 2D Sketch





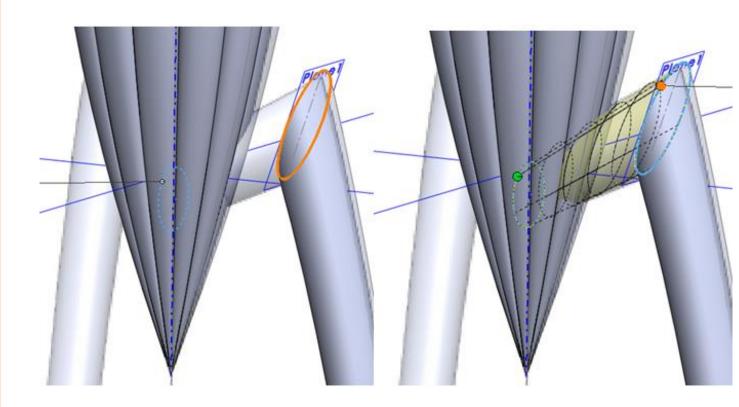
#### **Create a Solid Loft**

Go to: Insert > Boss/Base > Loft or click at the Loft icon 👃

Click in the Profiles box 🔼

Select the new Sketch7

Select the outer edge of Loft1 as shown in the picture





#### **Create a Fillet**

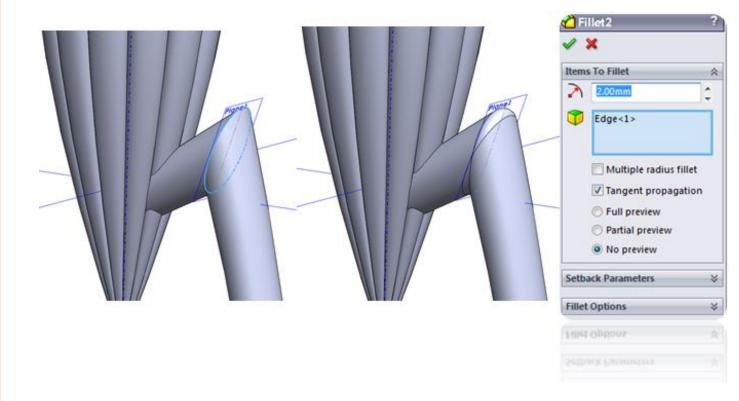
Go to: Insert > Features > Fillet/Round or click at the Fillet icon



Click at the blue edge as shown in the picture

Change the Radius into 2 mm



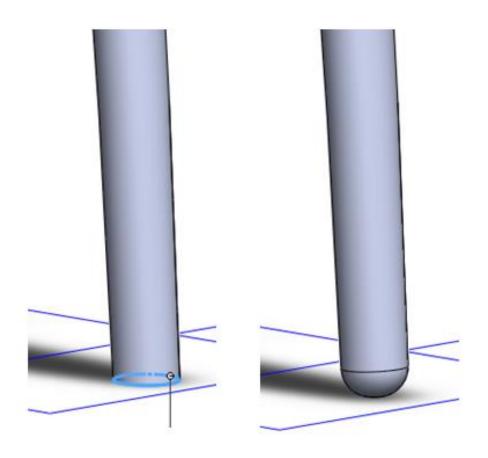


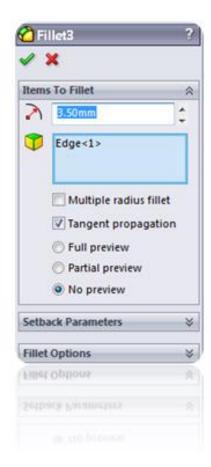


#### **Create a Fillet**

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Change the Radius into 2 mm







#### **Create a Circular Pattern**

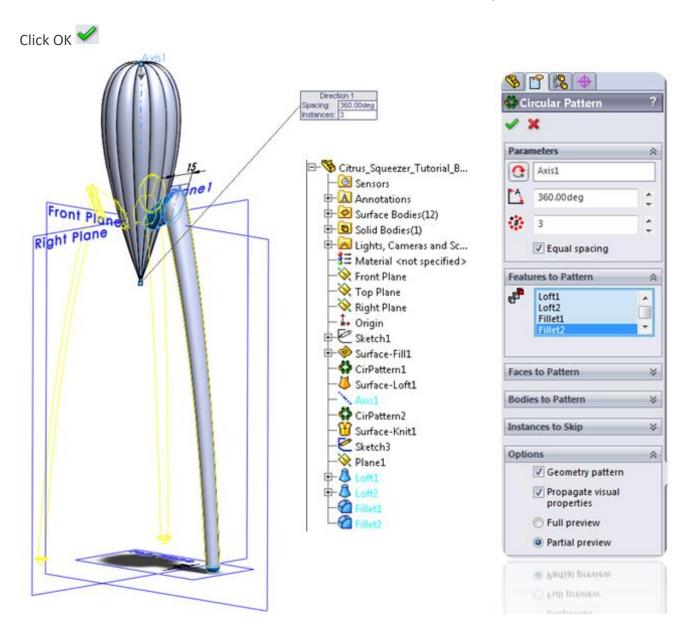
Go to Insert > Pattern/Mirror > Circular Pattern or click at the Circular Pattern icon

Click in the "Parameters" box at the white Pattern-Axis box Select Axis1

Change the Total Angle into 360 degrees

Change the Number of Instances into 3 Select the "Equal Spacing" option

Click at the "Features to Pattern" box Select Loft1, Loft2, Fillet1, and Fillet2 in the feature tree as shown in the picture





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Best wishes.

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