Civil AccuDraw, MicroStation AccuDraw, or Both?

Why You Need Civil Accudraw

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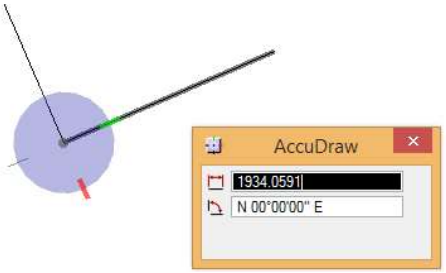

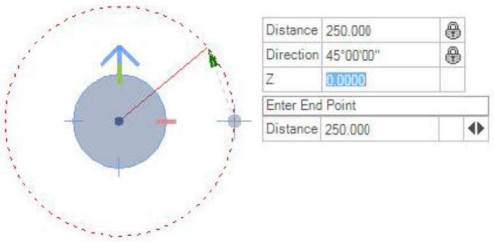

Mastering a tool such as AccuDraw allows you to produce precision drawings faster and more accurate than many other methods.

Civil AccuDraw, builds upon the solid foundation of AccuDraw combining it with civil specific tools enabling it be more useful to the civil designer than standard AccuDraw alone.

Become more productive knowing where and when AccuDraw and Civil AccuDraw are used.

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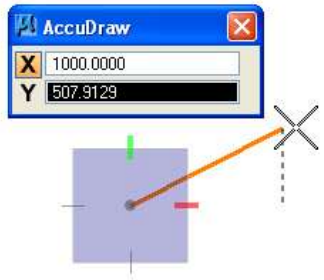
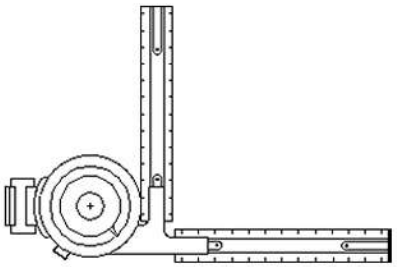
MicroStation AccuDraw

- Productivity Related MicroStation Tool
- Allows For Precision Input Or Visual Feedback
- Intuitive and extremely user-friendly





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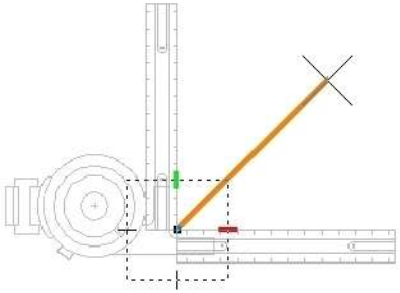

AccuDraw Superimposed on a Drafting Machine

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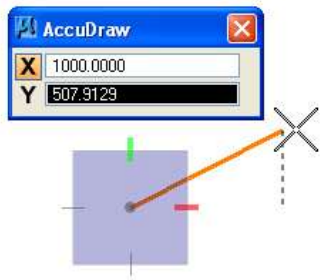
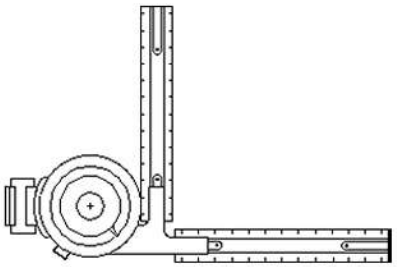
MicroStation AccuDraw

- Lets you enter in distance information accurately
- Works with all tools for precision input
- Uses shortcuts to help you draw precisely
- Rectangular and Polar modes
- Pop-up Calculator





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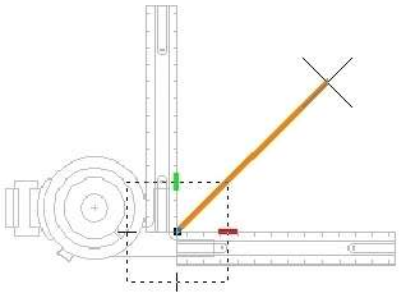

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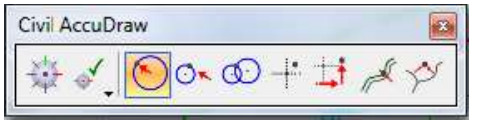
Civil AccuDraw vs. AccuDraw



- Similar:
  - …in many ways.
  - Share a lot of Shortcuts.
  - Less Constructions are needed as result

- Differences:
  - Civil AccuDraw works with multiple Ordinances
    - Distance Direction (Linked, Unlinked)
    - Distance / Distance
    - XY, DX / DY
    - Station Offset (Linked Unlinked)
  - Direction can be entered using any method
  - Display Settings can be changed to give immediate feedback (Distance, Direction, Station, Offset)
  - Civil AccuDraw to work with Civil Product Geometry Tools

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Activating the Civil AccuDraw toolbar

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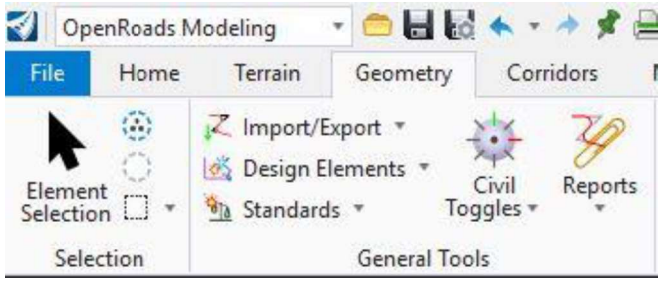

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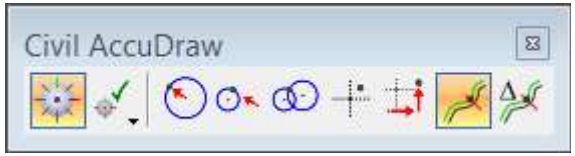
The Civil AccuDraw toolbar

- Can be docked
- Provides access to all Civil AccuDraw functions.
- Changes based on the focused view.

2D Plan



Profile Model View

3D Plan

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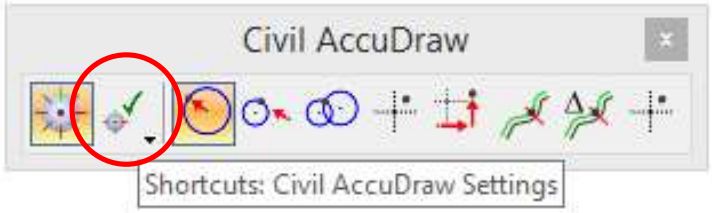
Settings

Civil AccuDraw toolbar



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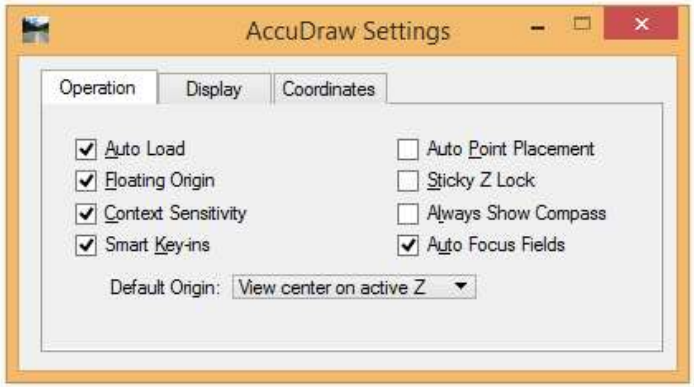
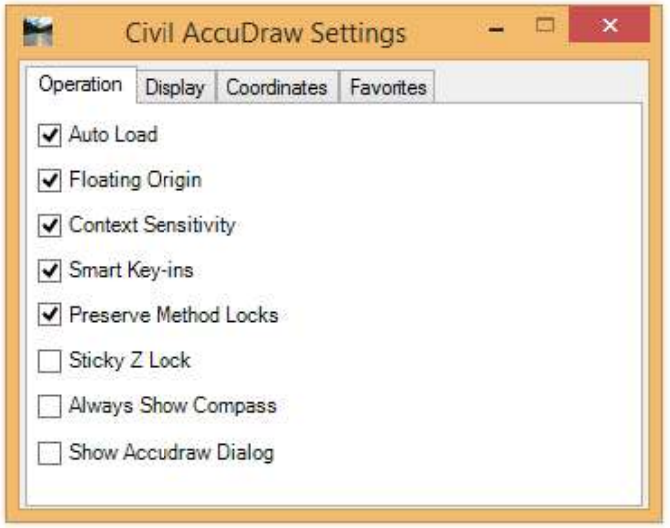
Settings are similar to MicroStation AccuDraw

Operation Tab





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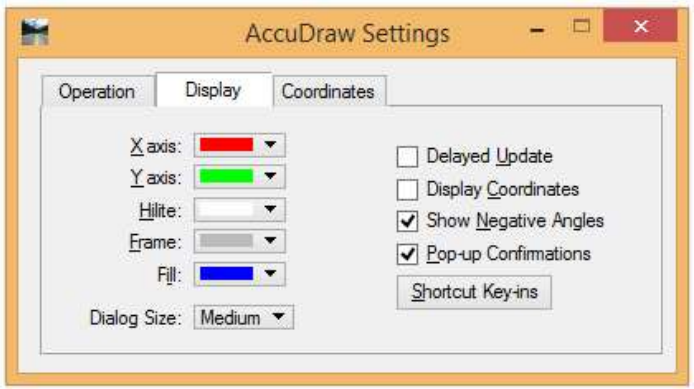

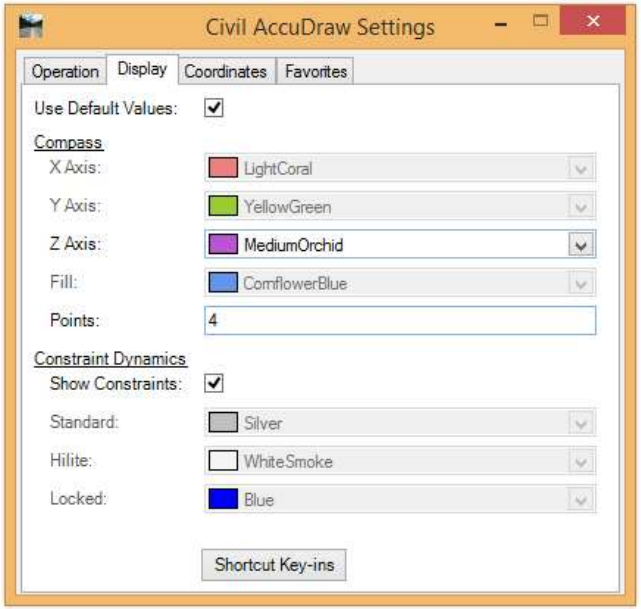

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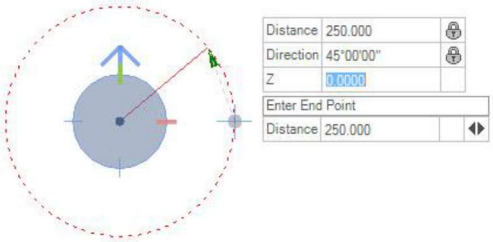

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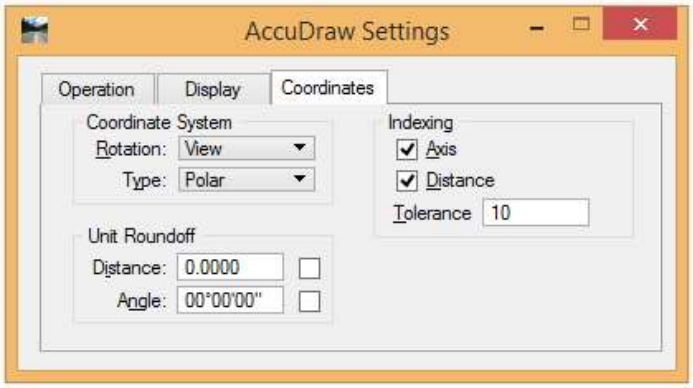
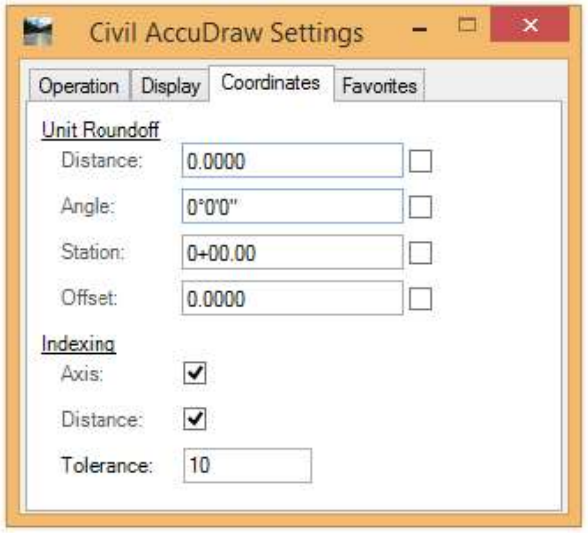
Coordinates Tab





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Favorites (Civil AccuDraw only)

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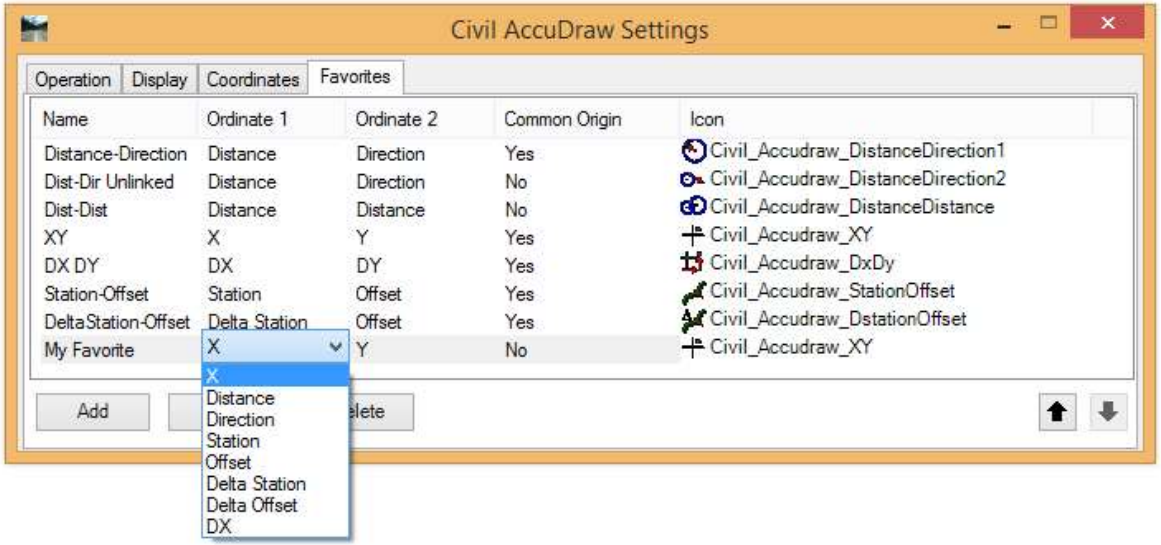

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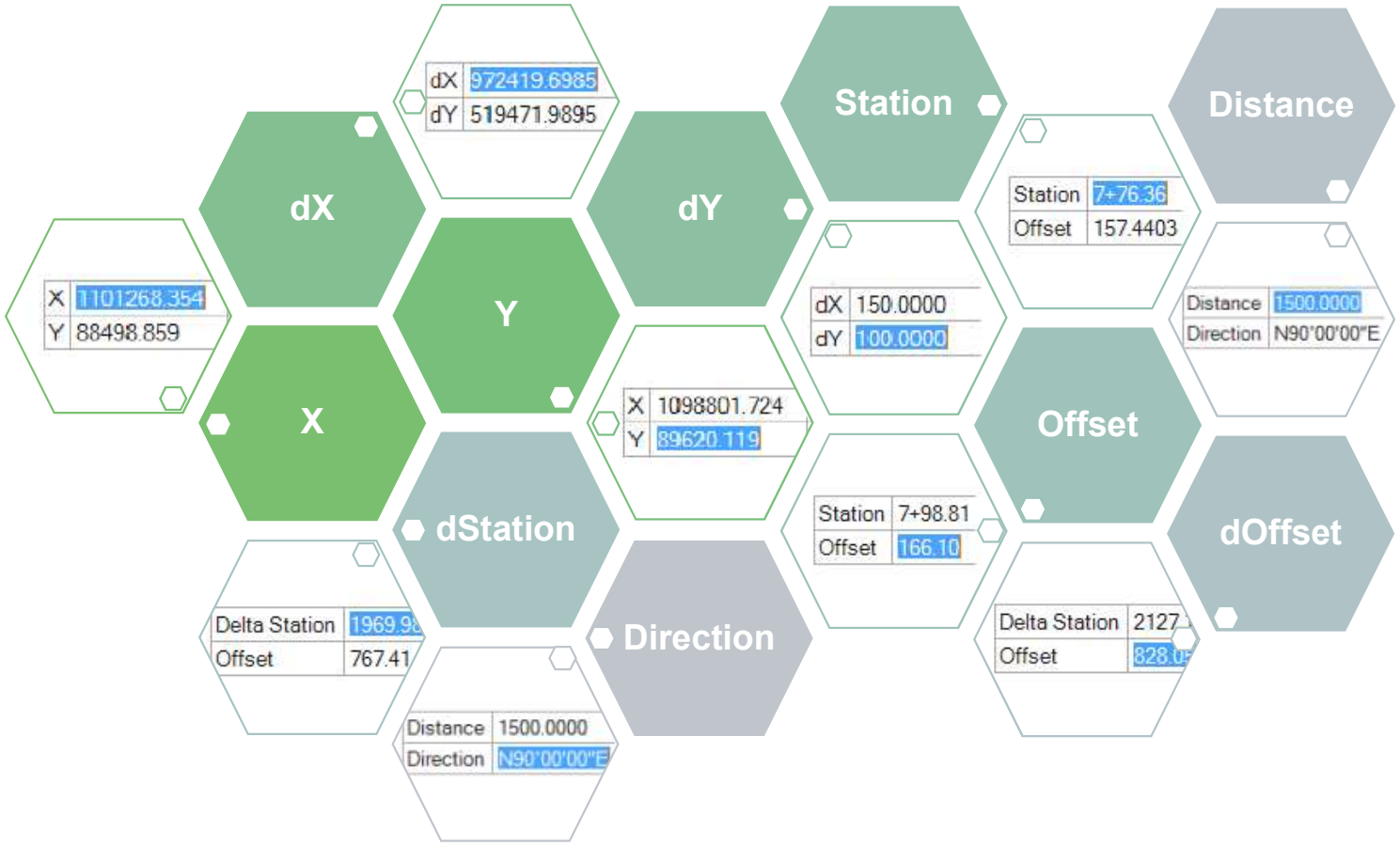

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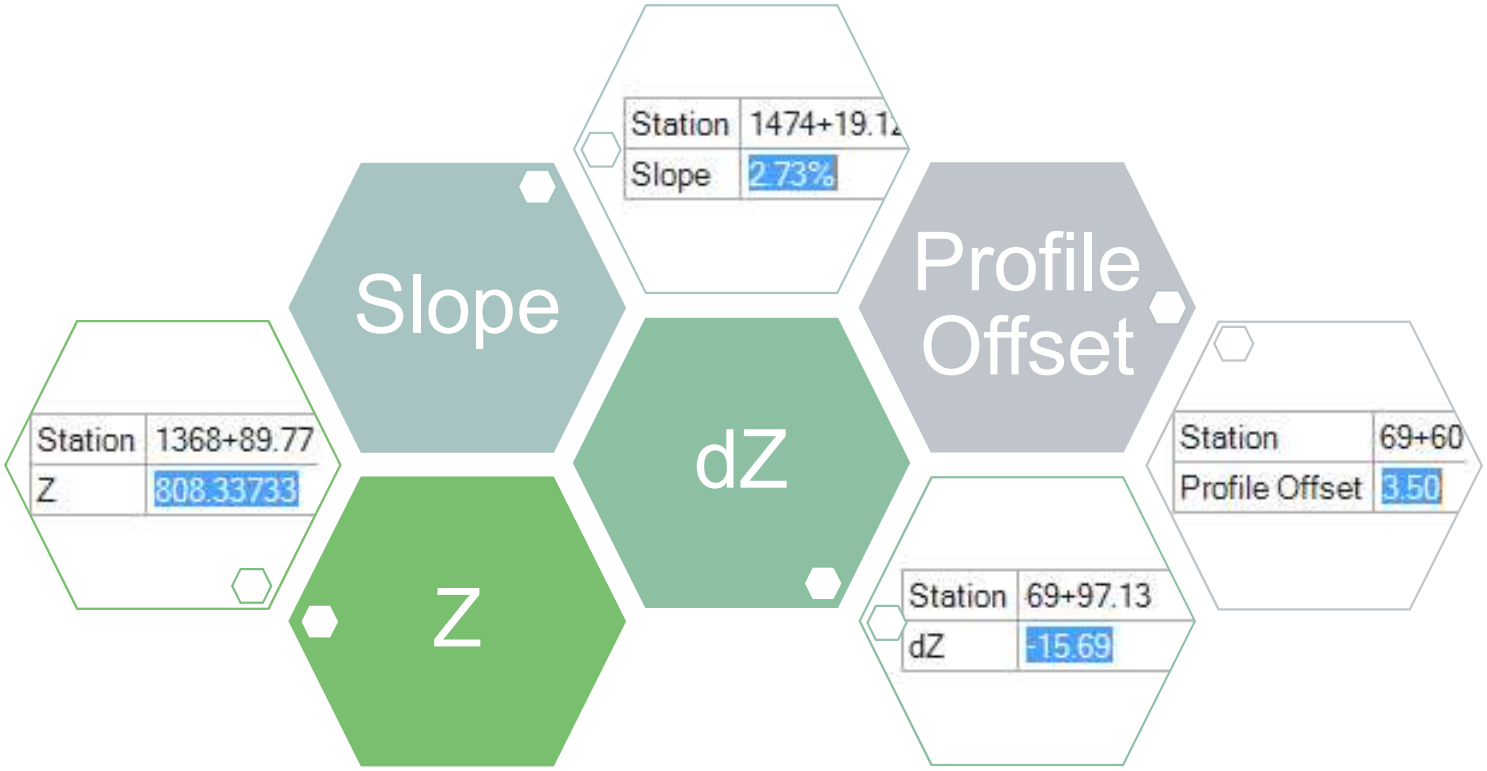

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Why You Need Civil AccuDraw …

Communicates Precision Input

- Provides point input (e.g. coordinates, distance, direction, station, offset, etc.) to any MicroStation or Civil command or construction which requires a point.
  - Note: Civil AccuDraw is not limited to only civil commands. It can also be used with MicroStation commands.

Communicates Design Intent

- Civil commands can persist the Civil AccuDraw input as rules on the points.

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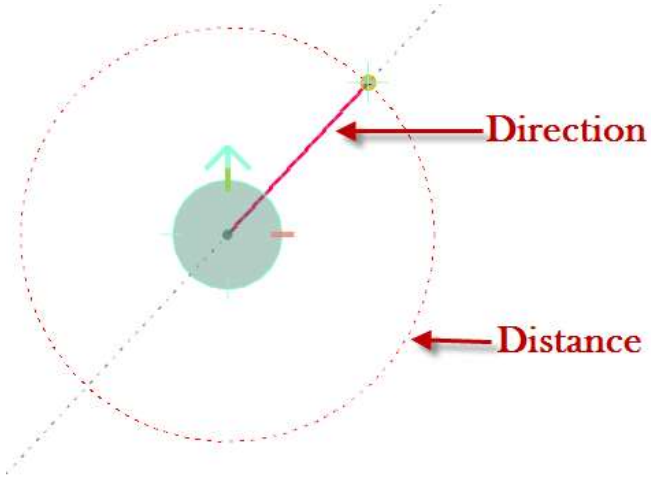
Precision Input: Distance Direction

- Specify Distance Direction Of Element
- “Unlinked” Allows setting Distance From One Origin, And Direction From Another Origin



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Precision Input: XY

- X: Absolute value of X coordinate
- Y: Absolute value of Y coordinate

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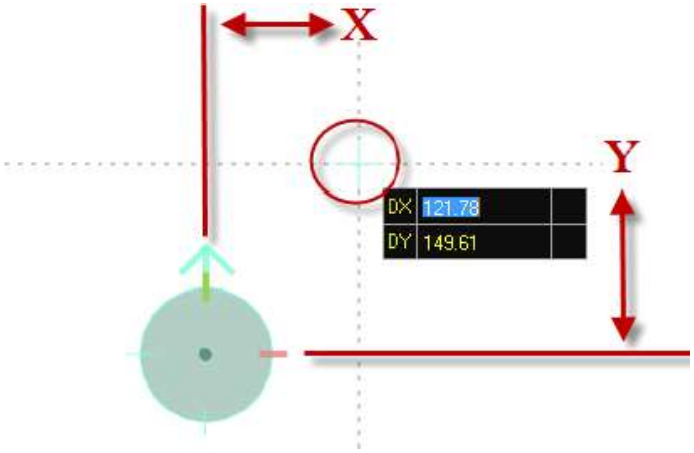
Precision Input: DX DY

- Distance offset From X
- Distance Offset From Y



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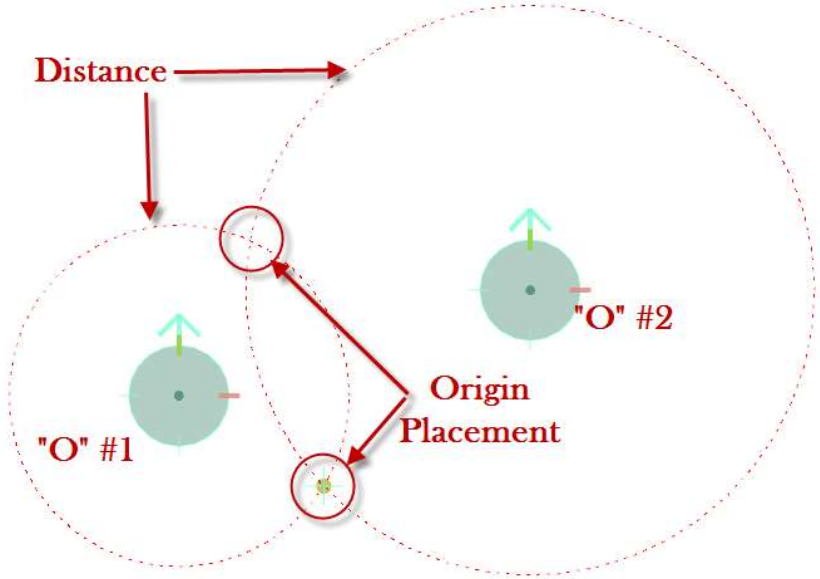
Precision Input: Distance Distance

- Places New Origin From Two Known Points



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Precision Input: Station Offset

- Locates Origin At A Specified Station And Offset From An Element
  - Will Allow For Reading Of CP Element Stationing
- As With All Ordinances Works With Most Microstation Tools
  - Place Cell
  - Linear Tools
  - Text
  - Modify

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Communicates Design Intent

However, there are times that, in order to communicate your design intent, you need more than just a simple MicroStation snap. In these scenarios, Civil AccuDraw becomes an indispensable tool, because the parameters you use with Civil AccuDraw are persisted as part of the rules.

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Communicates Design Intent

An example from Horizontal geometry.

- ***Tying the Turn Lane to the Crosswalk***

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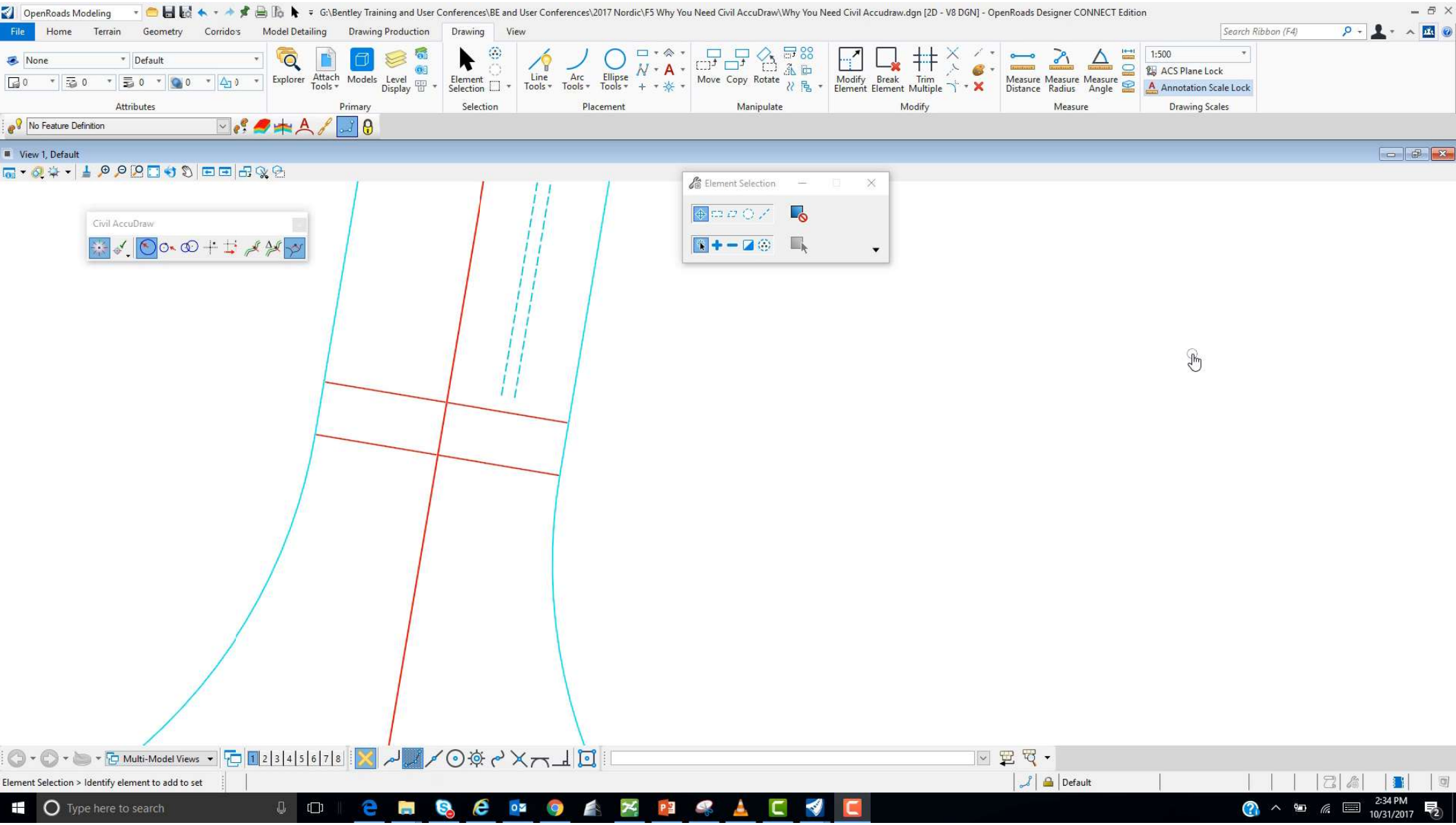
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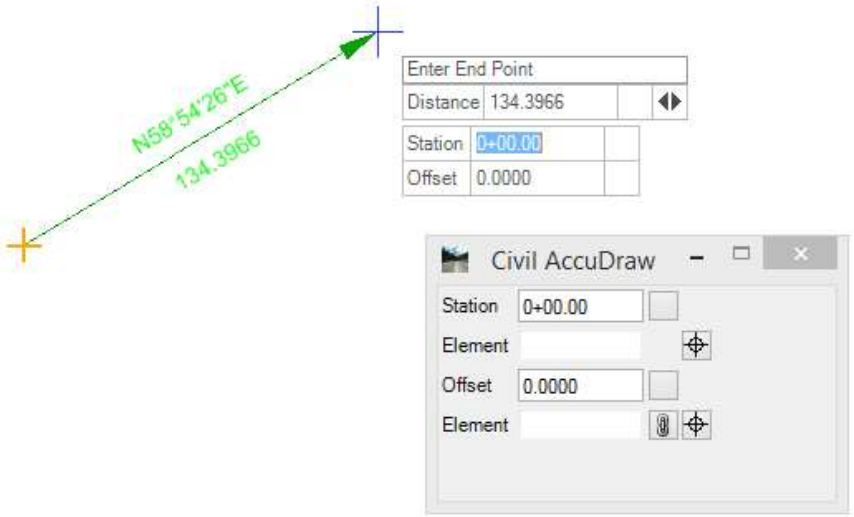

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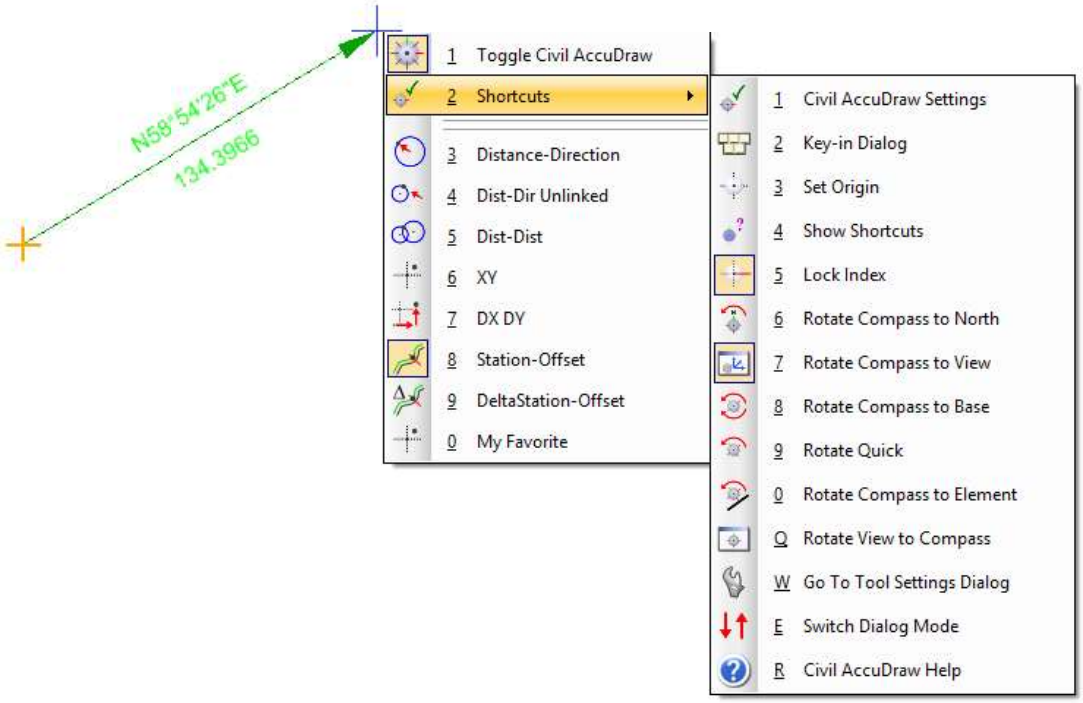
Pressing the space bar on your keyboard opens a direct pick menu.



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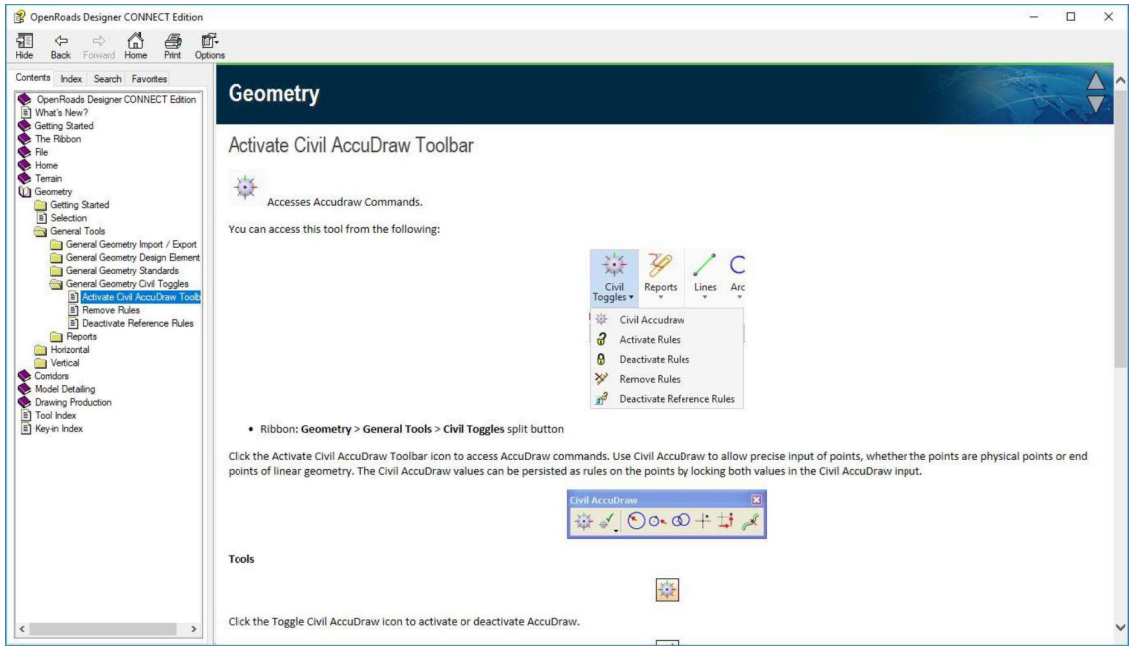

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