Setup Notes

During the MDSolids setup routine, a number of standard Microsoft files will be installed on your computer if these files are not already present. Since almost all of the Windows-based programs make use of them, these files are probably already installed on your computer.

The standard Microsoft files to be installed in the: \Windows\System folder or :\WINNT\system32 folder are:

AsycFilt.dll, 3/8/1999 ComCat.dll, 10/15/1998 COMDLG32.ocx, 6/24/1998 MFC42.dll, 9/26/1998 * MSCOMCT2.ocx, 5/6/1999 MSCOMCTL.ocx, 5/12/1999 MSFLXGRD.ocx, 6/24/1998 MSVBVM60.dll, 5/9/1999 MSVCRT.dll, 1/5/1998 * OleAut32.dll, 3/8/1999 OlePro32.dll, 3/8/1999 RichEd32.dll, 5/6/1998 * RichTx32.ocx, 6/24/1998 StdOle2.tlb, 3/8/1999 SYSINFO.ocx, 6/24/1998 TABCTL32.ocx, 6/24/1998

* MDSolids setup program will not overwrite any existing version

The standard Microsoft files listed above will only be installed on your computer (a) if your machine doesn't currently have the file, or (b) if the version currently on your computer is older than the files contained here.

If you are running other programs that are using these standard files during the MDSolids installation process, the necessary file updates cannot be completed and the MDSolids installation will fail. Further, for some of these files, Windows must be completely restarted before the updated files can be copied to your machine.

If it is necessary to reboot your system, the MDSolids setup program will inform you and ask you if it is OK to restart Windows. While this message may be alarming, the MDSolids setup program is not going to wreck your system...its only putting the most current versions of standard Microsoft files on your machine.

Please check the MDSolids web page at http://www.mdsolids.com for program updates and notes.

Comments, Questions, and Suggestions:

If you've tried MDSolids, please take a moment to send me an E-mail (philpott@mdsolids.com) telling me what you liked and didn't like about the software. Your opinions and suggestions would be most appreciated.

It's up to you to master the problem-solving methods used in the mechanics of materials course. MDSolids is just a tool, but I hope you'll find MDSolids to be a useful tool to help with your studies. Tim