



Advanced geometry

Transformations and modular geometries

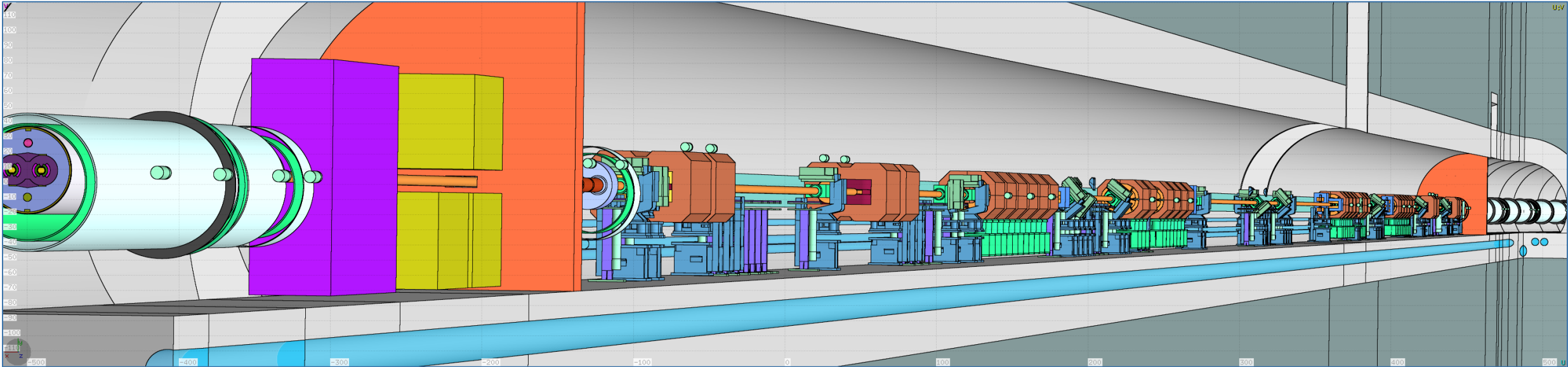
Basic geometry concepts

Three concepts are fundamental in the FLUKA Combinatorial Geometry, which have been described earlier in the course:

- **Bodies**: basic convex objects + infinite planes & cylinders + generic quadric
- **Zones**: portion of space defined by intersections (+) and subtractions (-) of bodies (used internally)
- **Regions**: union of multiple zones (|) (or a single zone)

Complex and modular geometries

3D rendering of LHC IR7



Complex and modular geometry models like the one shown here are built with LineBuilder
[\[A. Mereghetti et al., IPAC2012, WEPPD071, 2687\]](#)


Such a geometry model heavily depends on **LATTICES** (i.e. duplication of existing regions) which are not covered here

In this lecture

- Roto-translation transformations
 - `ROT-DEFIni` card
- Geometry directives
 - `translat`
 - `transform`
 - `expansion`
- Additional card related to a transformation
 - `ROTPRBIN` card
- Tips for building a modular geometry

The ROT-DEFI card

ROT-DEFIni card – Introduction

| | | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|  ROT-DEFI | Axis: Z ▼ | Id: 0 | Name: |
| | Polar: | Azm: | |
| | Δx : | Δy : | Δz : |

The **ROT-DEFIni** card defines roto-translations that can be applied to:

- Bodies:
To move and rotate geometry
- **USRBIN** and **EVENTBIN** cards (see **ROTPRBIN** card later)
To move and rotate scorings
- **LATTICE** (not covered here)

ROT-DEFIni card – Definition

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|-------|-------|
| ⊞ ROT-DEFI | Axis: Z ▼ | Id: 0 | Name: |
| | Polar: | Azm: | |
| | Δx: | Δy: | Δz: |

Axis: rotation with respect to axis

Id: transformation index

If set to 0, then Id is automatically assigned

Name: transformation name


Optional but recommended for easy referencing

Polar: polar angle of the rotation \mathbf{R}_{pol} ($0 \leq \vartheta \leq 180$ degrees)

Azm: azimuthal angle of the rotation \mathbf{R}_{azm} ($-180 \leq \varphi \leq 180$ degrees) [clockwise]

Δx, Δy, Δz: offset for the translation \mathbf{T}

ROT-DEFIni card – Definition

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|---|-----------|-------|-------|
|  ROT-DEFI | Axis: Z ▼ | Id: 0 | Name: |
| | Polar: | Azm: | |
| | Δx: | Δy: | Δz: |

In a ROT-DEFI, the transformation is defined as $X_{\text{new}} = \mathbf{R}_{\text{pol}}(\vartheta) \times \mathbf{R}_{\text{azm}}(\varphi) \times (X_{\text{old}} + \mathbf{T})$
The order of translation / rotation is relevant. They are not commutative!

The rotations are always performed around the origin of the coordinate system

It is preferable to define rotations through the azimuthal angle

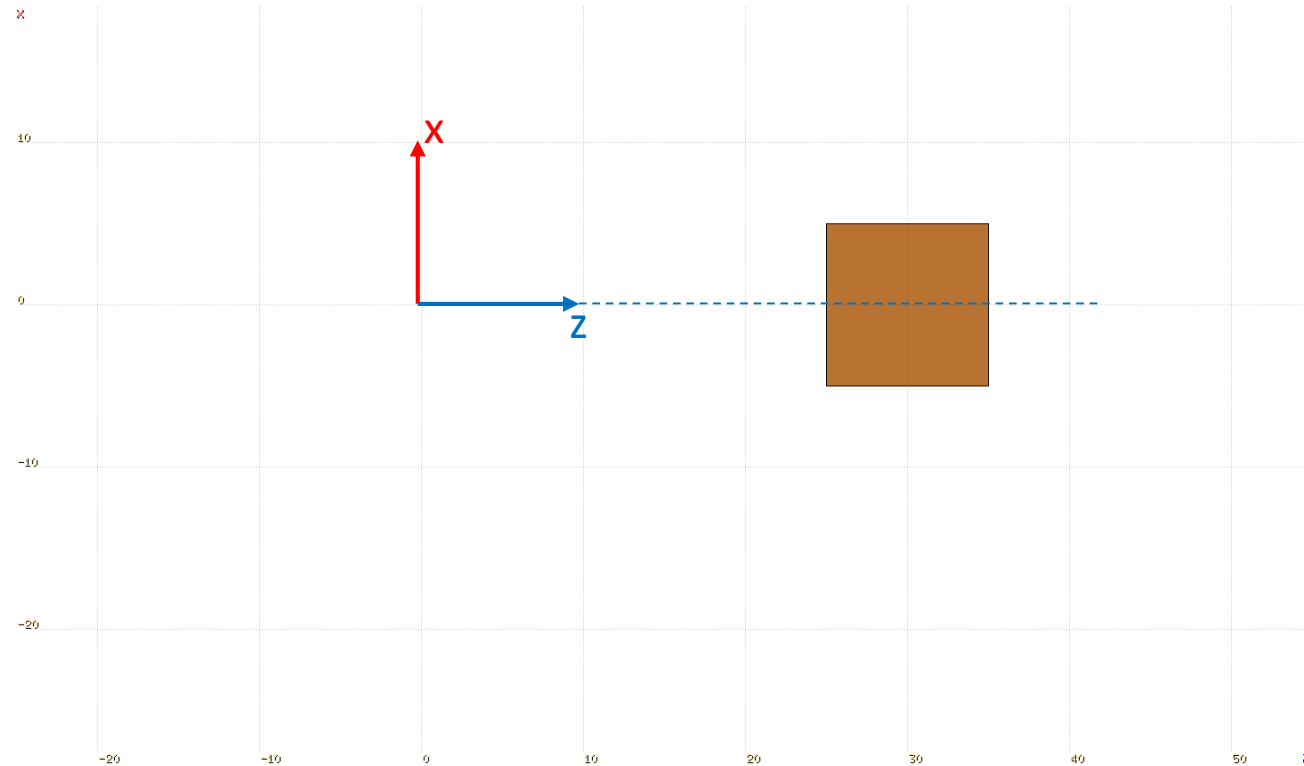
The convention used in the rotation matrices is available in the manual

See: Section 7 – **ROT-DEFIni** – Note 4

ROT-DEFIni card – Example

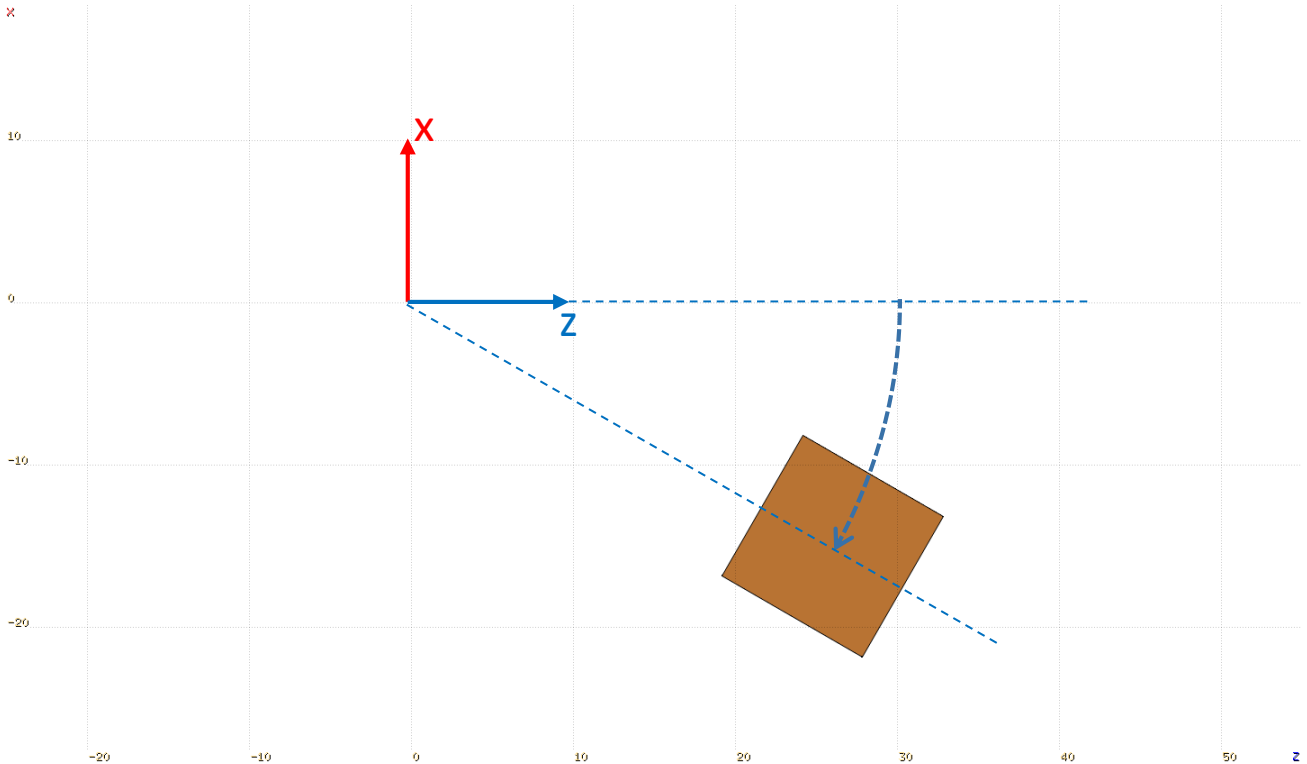
- Example:

Rotating a body located away from the origin of the coordinate system



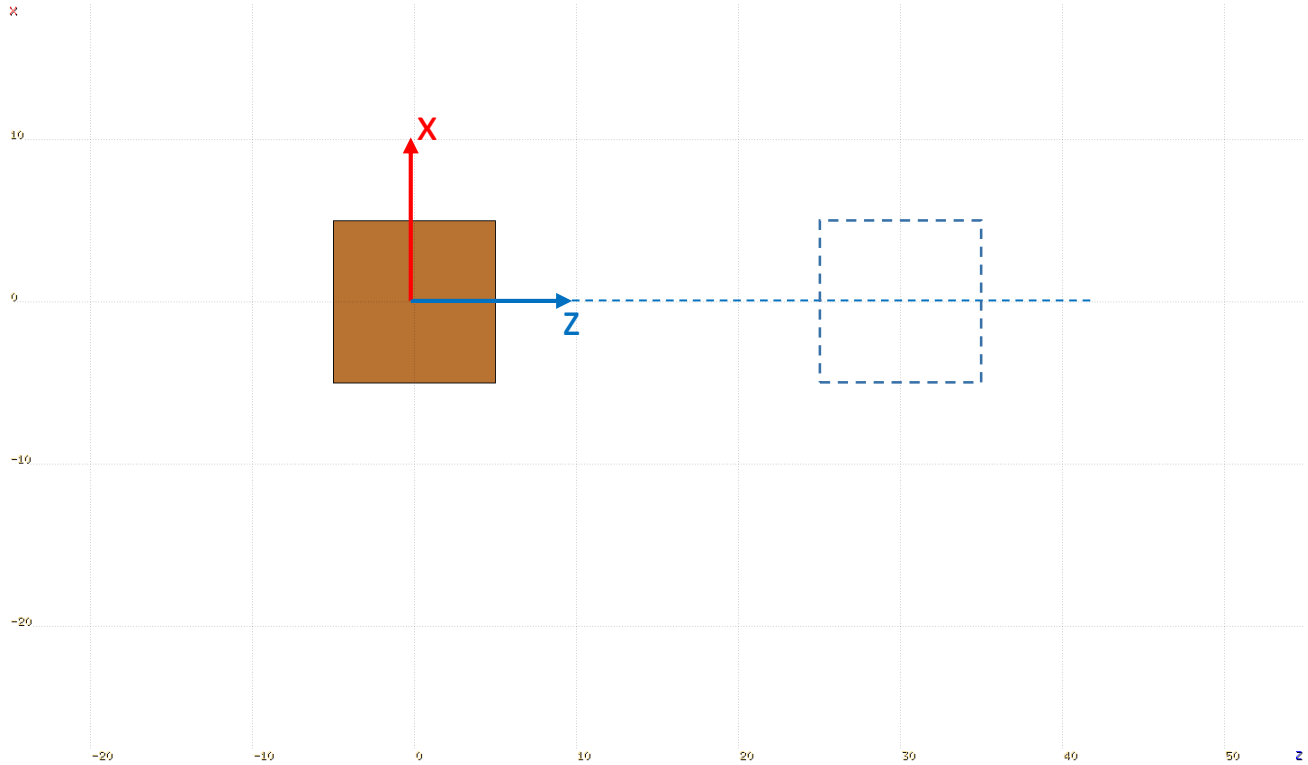
ROT-DEFIni card – Example

| | | | |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| ROT-DEFI | Axis: Y ▼ | Id: 0 | Name: Rot |
| | Polar: | Azm: 30 | |
| | Δx : | Δy : | Δz : |



ROT-DEFIni card – Example

| | | | |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|
| ROT-DEFI | Axis: Y ▼ | Id: 0 | Name: Rot |
| | Polar: | Azm: | |
| | Δx : | Δy : | Δz : -30 |



ROT-DEFIni card – Example

⚙️ **ROT-DEFI**

Axis: Y ▼

Id: 0

Name: Rot

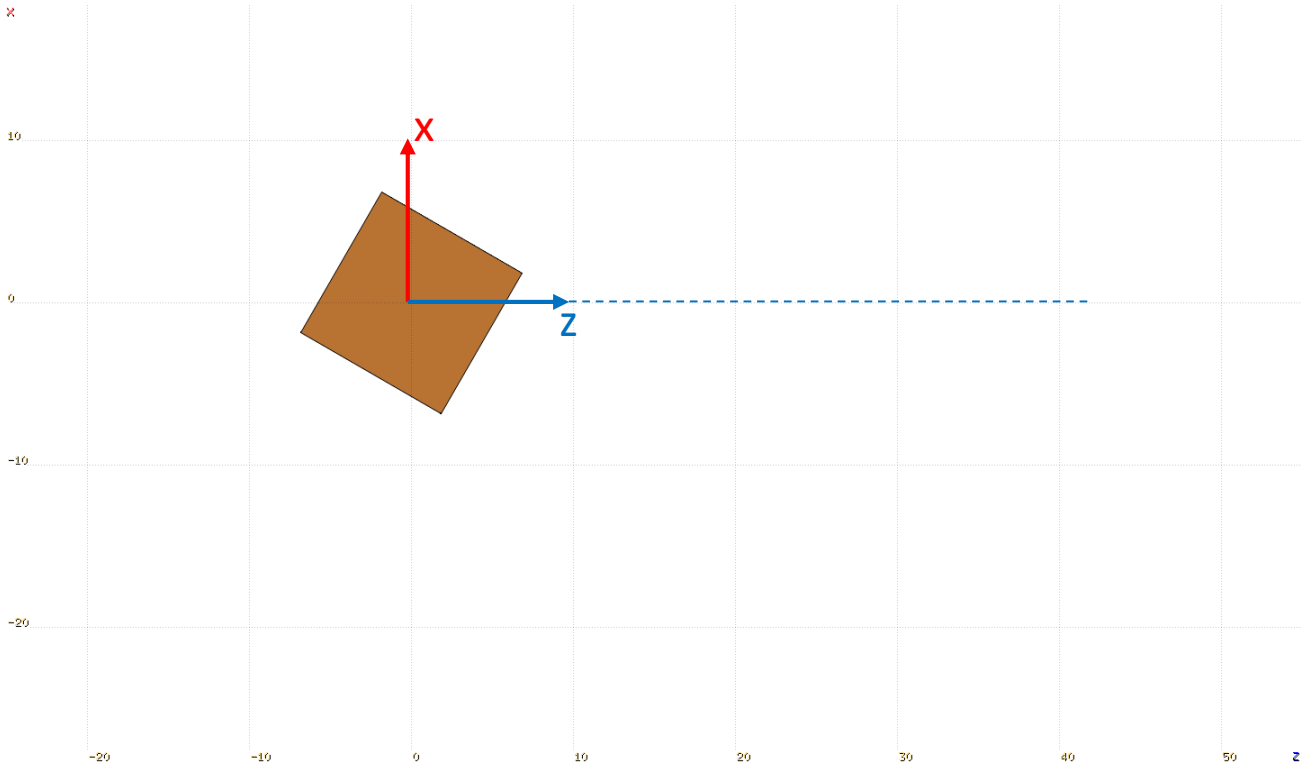
Polar:

Azm: 30

Δx :

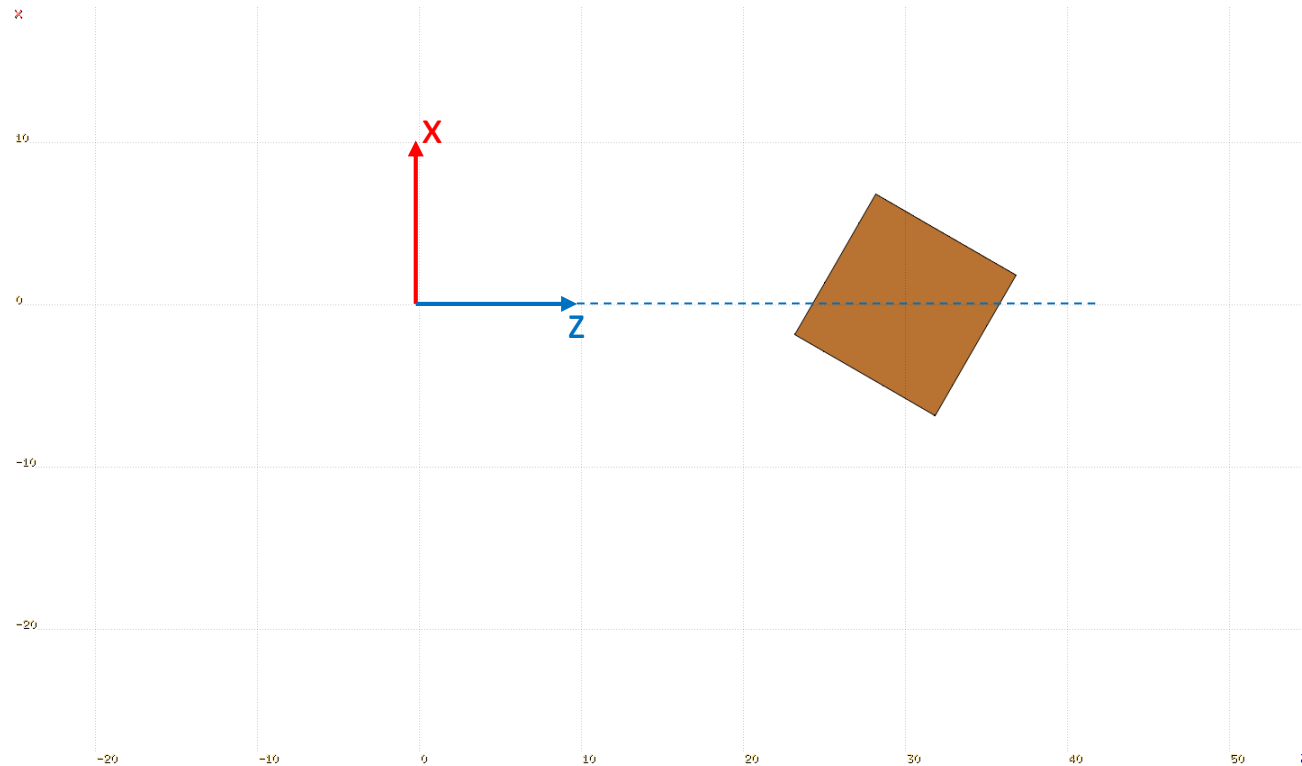
Δy :

Δz : -30



ROT-DEFIni card – Example

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|-------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| ⊞ ROT-DEFI | Axis: Y ▼ | Id: 0 | Name: Rot |
| | Polar: | Azm: 30 | |
| | Δx: | Δy: | Δz: -30 |
| ⊞ ROT-DEFI | Axis: Y ▼ | Id: 0 | Name: Rot |
| | Polar: | Azm: | |
| | Δx: | Δy: | Δz: 30 |



ROT-DEFIni card – “Chaining”

| | | | | |
|----|-------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| 1. | ⊠ ROT-DEFI | Axis: Y ▼ | Id: 0 | Name: Rot |
| | | Polar: | Azm: 30 | |
| | | Δx: | Δy: | Δz: -30 |
| 2. | ⊠ ROT-DEFI | Axis: Y ▼ | Id: 0 | Name: Rot |
| | | Polar: | Azm: | |
| | | Δx: | Δy: | Δz: 30 |

- It is possible to “chain” multiple **ROT-DEFIni** cards as a single transformation
 - The **Name** (or **Id**) on the “chained” **ROT-DEFIni** cards has to be the same
 - The **ROT-DEFIni** cards are applied from top to bottom
- The inverse transformation is also accessible with a minus sign (“-”) before the name or Id number

Geometry directives

Geometry directives

- Special commands enclosing a body (or a list of bodies) definition:

```
$start_xxx
```

```
...
```

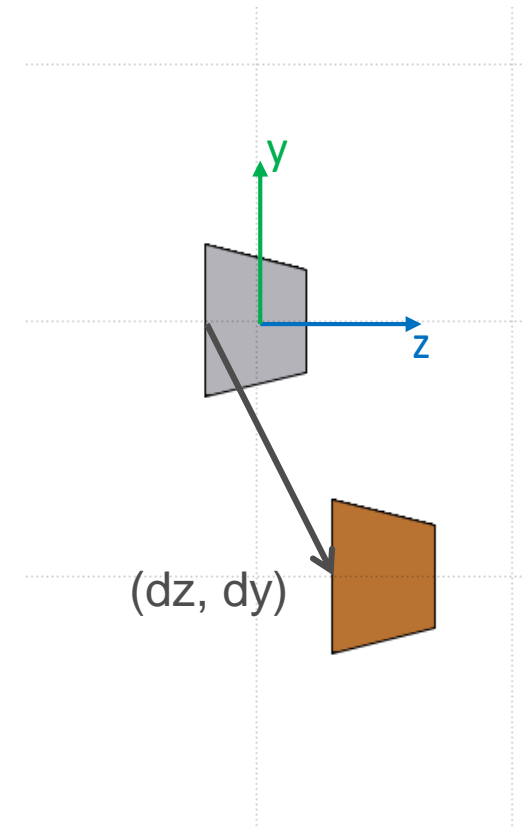
```
$end_xxx
```

- Where “**xxx**” stands for “**translat**”, “**transform**” or “**expansion**”
- The directive is applied to the list of the bodies embedded between the starting and the ending directive lines

Directives in geometry: translation

```
$start_translat  
...  
$end_translat
```

provides a coordinate translation (dx , dy , dz)
for all bodies embedded within the directive



```
◇ $start_translat   dx: 0.0           dy: -10.0          dz: 5.0  
  ▲ TRC target     x: 0.0           y: 0.0            z: -2.0  
                   Hx: 0.0          Hy: 0.0           Hz: 4.0  
                   Rbase: 3.0       Rappex: 2.0  
◇ $end_translat
```

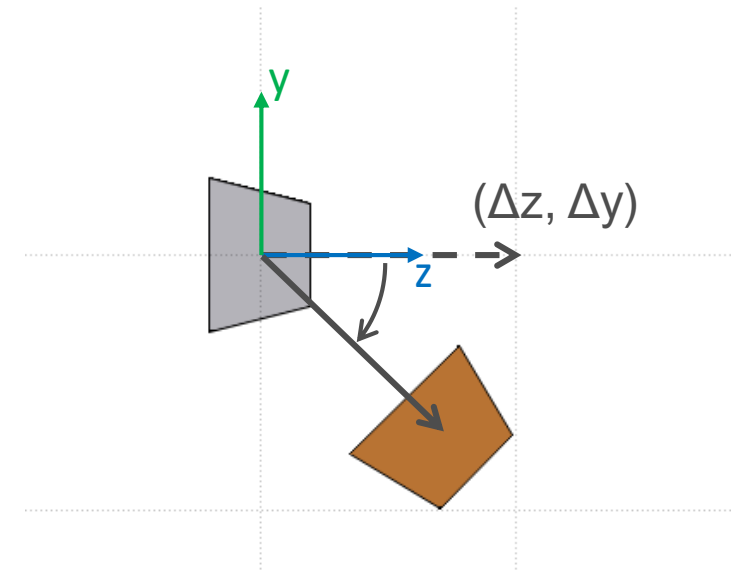
Directives in geometry: transform

```
$start_transform
```

```
...
```

```
$end_transform
```

applies a roto-translation (pre-defined via **ROT-DEFI**) to all bodies embedded within the directive



```
◇ $start_transform Trans: Rot ▼
```

```
  ▲ TRC target      x: 0.0          y: 0.0          z: -2.0
                    Hx: 0.0         Hy: 0.0         Hz: 4.0
                    Rbase: 3.0      Rappex: 2.0
```

```
◇ $end_transform
```

```
◇ ROT-DEFI          Axis: X ▼          Id: 0          Name: Rot
                    Polar:            Azm: -45
                    Δx:                Δy:            Δz: 10
```

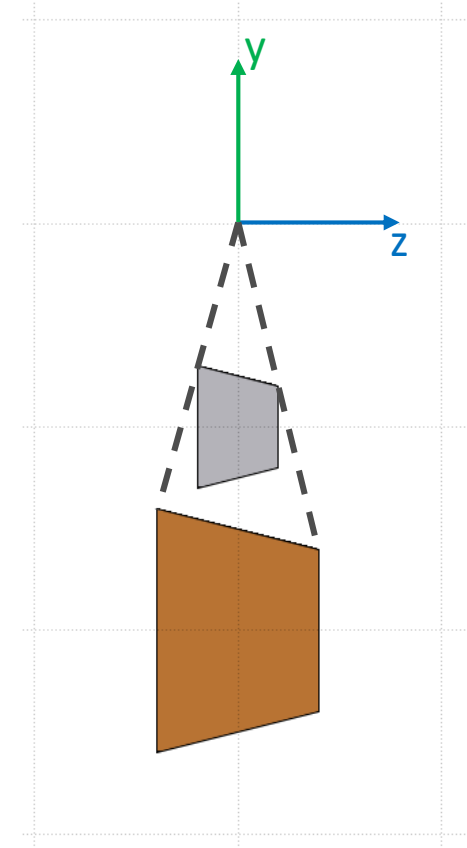
Directives in geometry: expansion

```
$start_expansion
```

```
...
```

```
$end_expansion
```

provides a coordinate expansion (or reduction) of the body dimensions by a defined scaling factor (**f**), for all bodies included in the directive



```
◇ $start_expansion f: 2
  ▲ TRC target      x: 0.0          y: -10.0          z: -2.0
                    Hx: 0.0          Hy: 0.0           Hz: 4.0
                    Rbase: 3.0       Rappex: 2.0
◇ $end_expansion
```

Directives in geometry: warnings

- `$start_expansion` and `$start_translat` are applied at initialisation
→ no CPU penalty

`$start_transform` is applied runtime
→ some CPU penalty

- One can nest the different directives (at most one per type) but, no matter the input order, the adopted sequence is always the following:

```
$start_transform
  $start_translat
    $start_expansion
    ...
  $end_expansion
$end_translat
$end_transform
```

The ROTPRBIN card

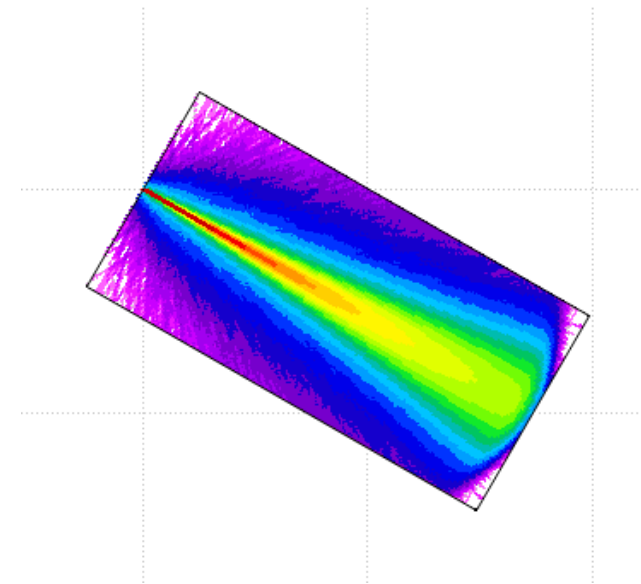
The ROTPRBIN card

- Consider the following problem:
 - Pencil beam impinging on a cylindrical target
 - Using the R- Φ -Z USRBIN scoring, for symmetry
 - The beam is rotated by 30 around the **y** axis
- Solution: **ROTPRBIN** card
 - Allows to apply a roto-translation transformation (**ROT-DEFIni** cards) to **USRBIN** or **EVENTBIN** scorings
 - It is important to note, that on the ROTPRBIN card the “inverse” transformation must be used, i.e., it is not the scoring mesh that is transformed, but the transformation is applied to the scoring location, bringing it to the location of the mesh

The ROTPRBIN card

- Example:

| | | | |
|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|
| ROT-DEFI | Axis: Y ▼ Polar: Δx : | Id: 0 Azm: 30 Δy : | Name: Rot Δz : |
| \$start_transform | Trans: Rot ▼ | | |
| RCC target | x: 0.0 Hx: 0.0 R: 0.5 | y: 0.0 Hy: 0 | z: 0.0 Hz: 2.0 |
| \$end_transform | | | |
| USRBIN | Type: R- Φ -Z ▼ Part: PROTON ▼ | Rmin: 0.0 X: 0.0 Zmin: 0.0 | Unit: 21 BIN ▼ Rmax: 0.5 Y: 0.0 Zmax: 2.0 Name: Fluence NR: 50 N Φ : 1 NZ: 200 |
| ROTPRBIN | Type: ▼ Rot: -Rot ▼ Bin: Fluence ▼ | Storage: Rot2: ▼ to Bin: ▼ | # Events: Step: |

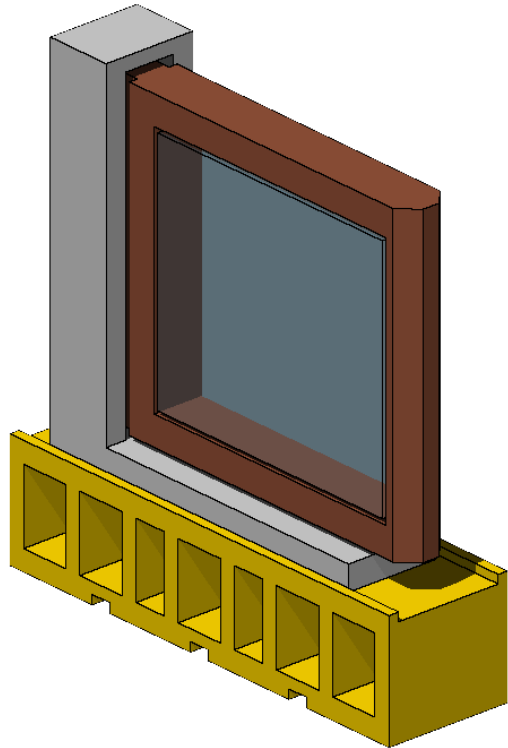


Building modular geometries

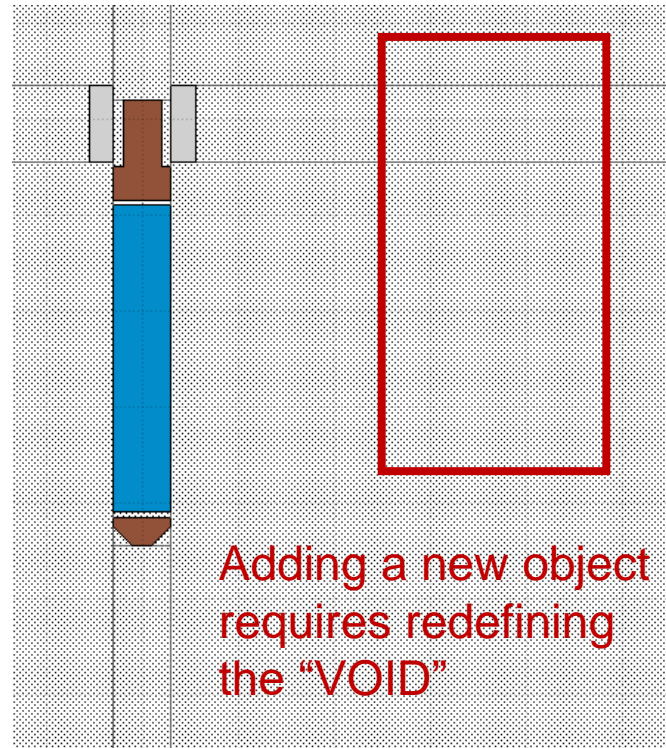
Bounding box

In the geometry lectures we saw that defining the “VOID” around objects can be quite difficult

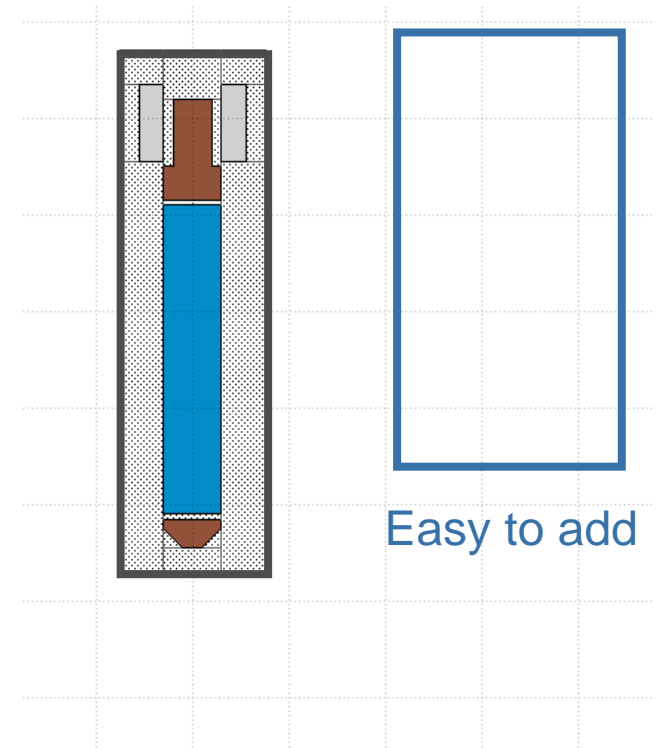
Complex object



Complex “VOID”

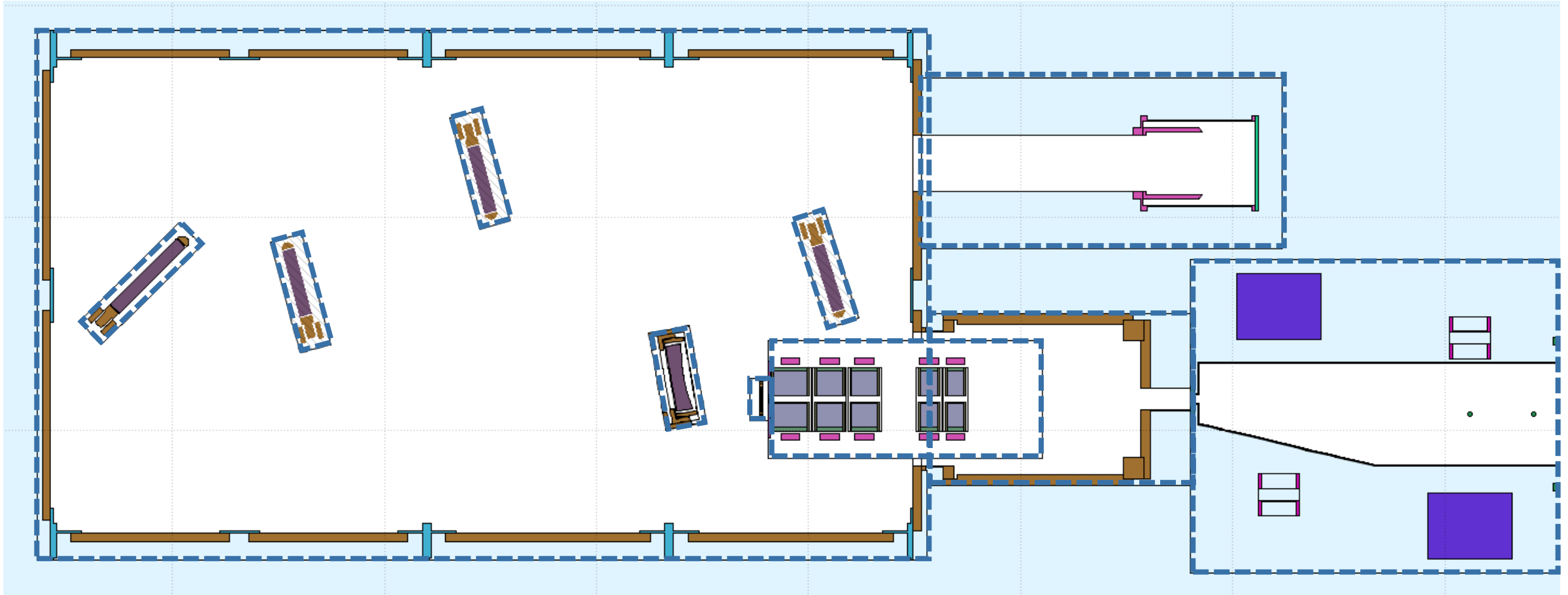


Solution: the Bounding Box



Good practice: use a finite body (**RPP**, **RCC**, etc.) as a **container** for the whole object

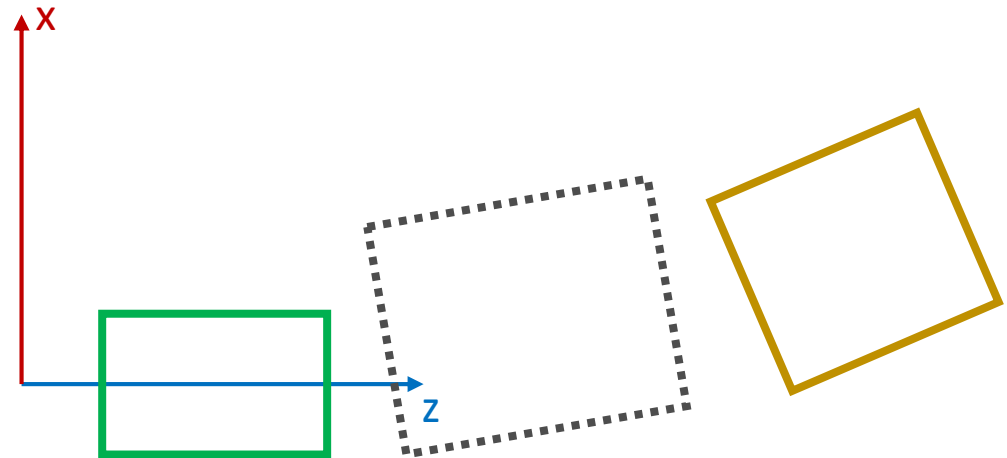
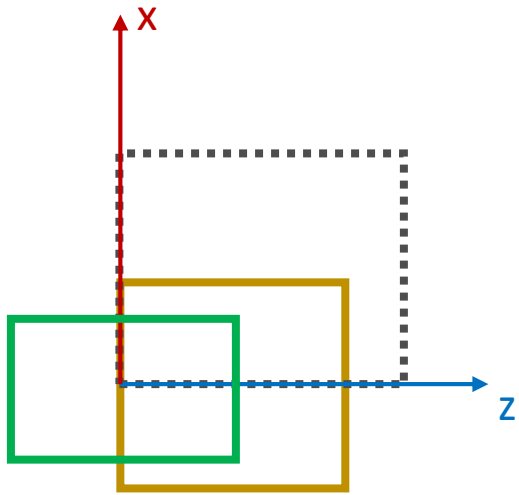
Bounding box



Only the Bounding Boxes have to be subtracted from the surrounding regions

Object location

- It is always easier to build an object around the origin:
 - It makes possible to use measurements from technical drawings directly
 - The final object can be translated / rotated into its final position with geometry directives



Naming conventions

- If multiple people are working on a complex geometry (multiple experimental halls and beamlines) it could happen that a body or region name is used twice, which leads to geometry errors
- Solution: agree on a [naming convention](#), e.g. set prefixes for each object
- For example:
 - 1st character: Beamline
 - 2nd character: Object type
 - 3rd character: Object number
 - 4th-8th character: Free

Summary

- The **ROT-DEFI** card defines roto-translations
- Geometry directives (inside the geometry input) manipulate bodies
 - `$start_translat` `$end_translat`
 `$start_transform` `$end_transform`
 `$start_expansion` `$end_expansion`
- The **ROTPRBIN** card sets the correspondence between a roto-translation transformation and selected **USRBIN** and **EVENTBIN** scorings
- Tips on how to more easily build complex geometries

