



# Advanced geometry

Transformations and modular geometries

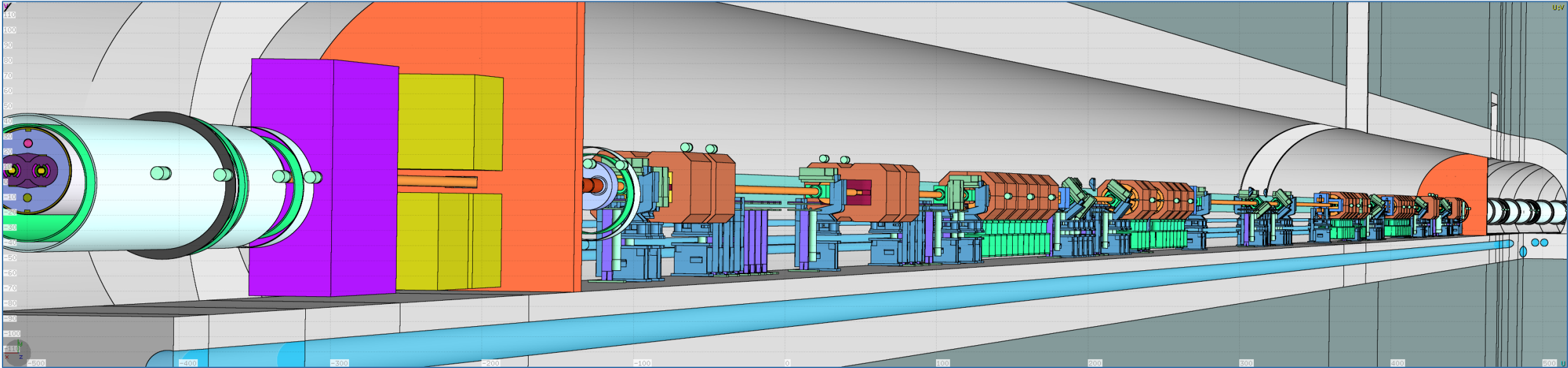
# Basic geometry concepts

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-DEFI card – Introduction

 <b>ROT-DEFI</b>	Axis: Z ▼	Id: 0	Name:
	Polar:	Azm:	
	$\Delta x$ :	$\Delta y$ :	$\Delta z$ :

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

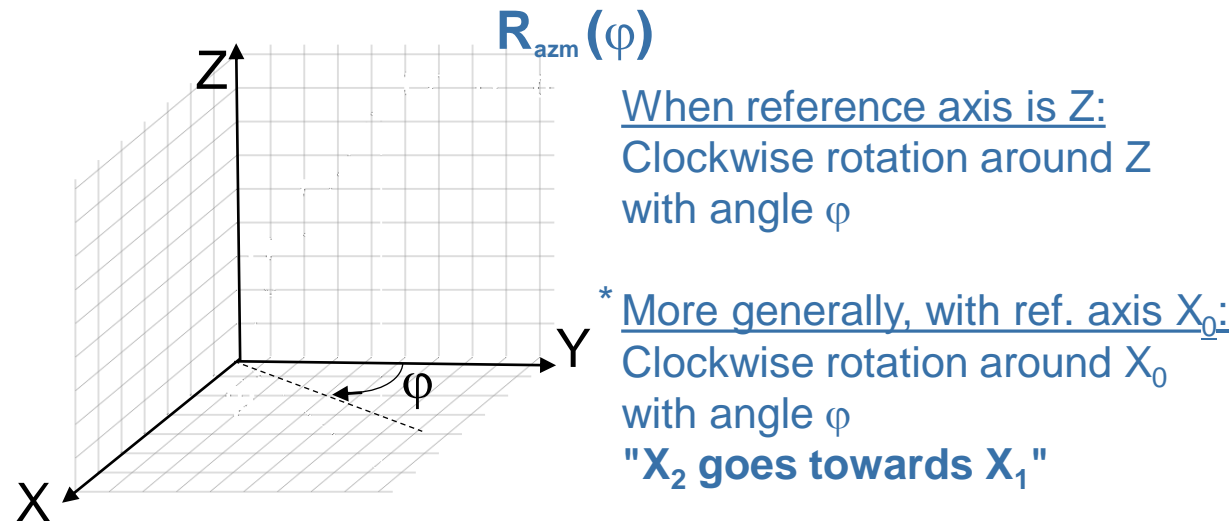
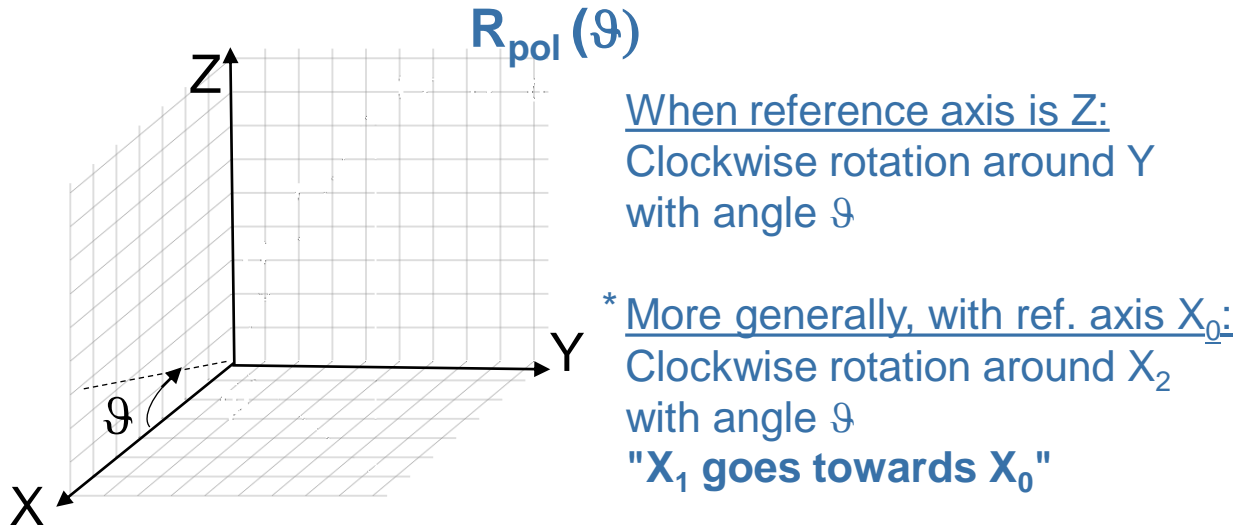
- Bodies:  
To move and rotate geometry
- **USRBIN** and **EVENTBIN** cards (see **ROTPRBIN** card later)  
To move and rotate scorings
- **LATTICE** (not covered here)

The roto-translation places the body (or USRBIN etc) in the **lab** frame of reference.

# ROT-DEFI card – Definition

◆ <b>ROT-DEFI</b>	Axis: Z ▼	Id: 0	Name:
	Polar:	Azm:	
	$\Delta x$ :	$\Delta y$ :	$\Delta z$ :

- Axis: reference 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  $R_{pol}$  ( $0 \leq \vartheta \leq 180$  degrees) [clockwise]
- Azm: azimuthal angle of the rotation  $R_{azm}$  ( $-180 \leq \varphi \leq 180$  degrees) [clockwise]
- $\Delta x, \Delta y, \Delta z$ : vector components for the translation  $T$



\* Let  $(X_0, X_1, X_2)$  be a right-handed orthogonal system in a 3D space. For example:  $(Z, X, Y)$ , or  $(X, Y, Z)$ , or  $(Y, Z, X)$ .

# ROT-DEFI card – Definition

<b>ROT-DEFI</b>	Axis: Z ▼	Id: 0	Name:
	Polar: $\vartheta$ value	Azm: $\varphi$ value	
	$\Delta x$ : $X_{\text{offset}}$ value	$\Delta y$ : $Y_{\text{offset}}$ value	$\Delta z$ : $Z_{\text{offset}}$ value

The ROT-DEFI card roto-translation is defined as:

$$\mathbf{R}_{\text{pol}}(\vartheta) \circ \mathbf{R}_{\text{azm}}(\varphi) \circ \mathbf{T}$$

3.
2.
1.

Composition order matters!  
First T, then  $R_{\text{azm}}$ , then  $R_{\text{pol}}$

For example, for a ROT-DEFI card with **Axis = Z**, the roto-translation is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{\text{new}} \\ Y_{\text{new}} \\ Z_{\text{new}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi & 0 \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_{\text{old}} + X_{\text{offset}} \\ Y_{\text{old}} + Y_{\text{offset}} \\ Z_{\text{old}} + Z_{\text{offset}} \end{pmatrix}$$

rotation around Y axis  
with clockwise angle  $\vartheta$

rotation around Z axis  
with clockwise angle  $\varphi$

See  
ROT-DEFI  
in manual!

It is preferable to define rotations through the azimuthal angle.



# ROT-DEFI cards – “Chaining” / Inverse

- It is possible to use multiple **ROT-DEFI** cards to define a single transformation (**compositon, or "chaining"**):
  - The **Name** (or **Id**) on the “chained” **ROT-DEFI** cards has to be the same.
  - The transformations associated with the **ROT-DEFI** cards are applied from top to bottom.

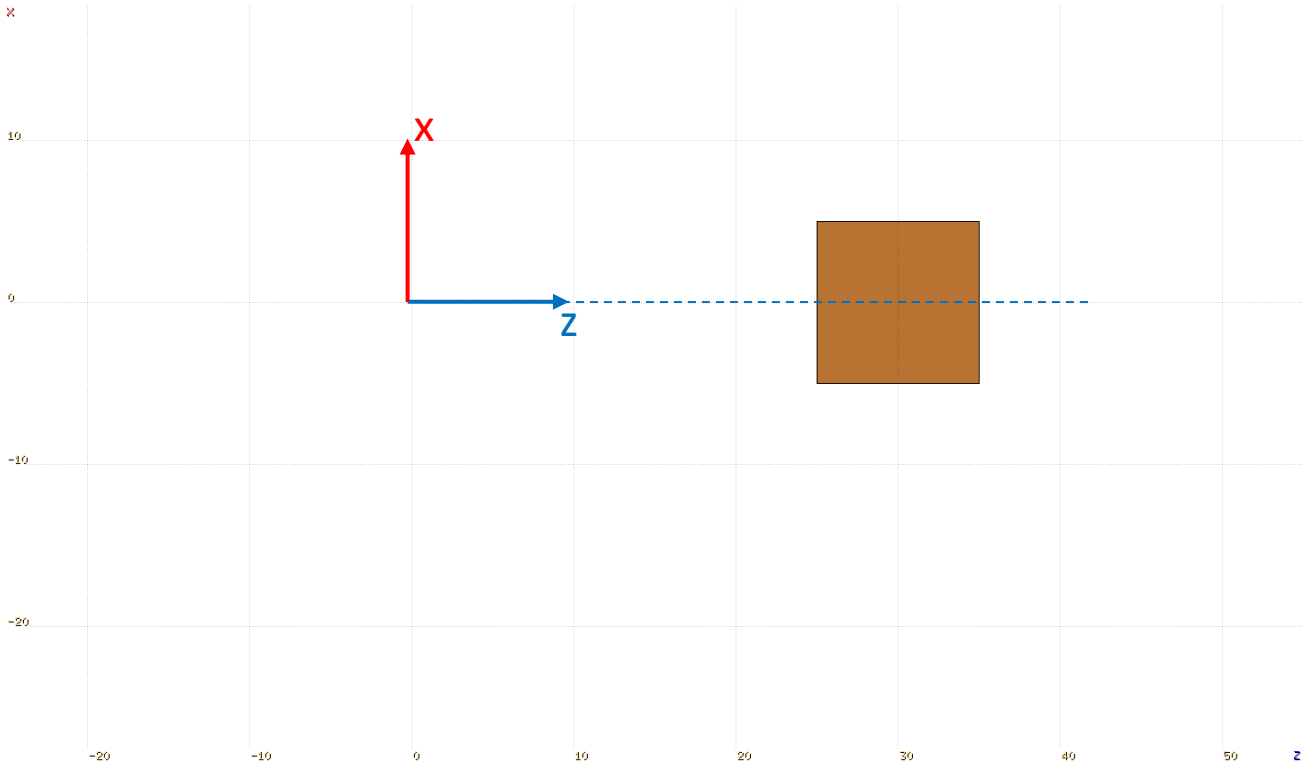
1.	⊞ <b>ROT-DEFI</b>	Axis: Y ▼	Id: 0	Name: Rot
		Polar:	Azm: 30	
		Δx:	Δy:	Δz: -30
2.	⊞ <b>ROT-DEFI</b>	Axis: Y ▼	Id: 0	Name: Rot
		Polar:	Azm:	
		Δx:	Δy:	Δz: 30

- It is also possible to access the **inverse** of the transformation associated with a **ROT-DEFI** card.
  - Just refer to the existing **ROT-DEFI** card with a minus sign (“-”) before its name or Id number.
  - Example use with **ROTPRBIN** card later in the lecture.

# ROT-DEFI card – Example 1

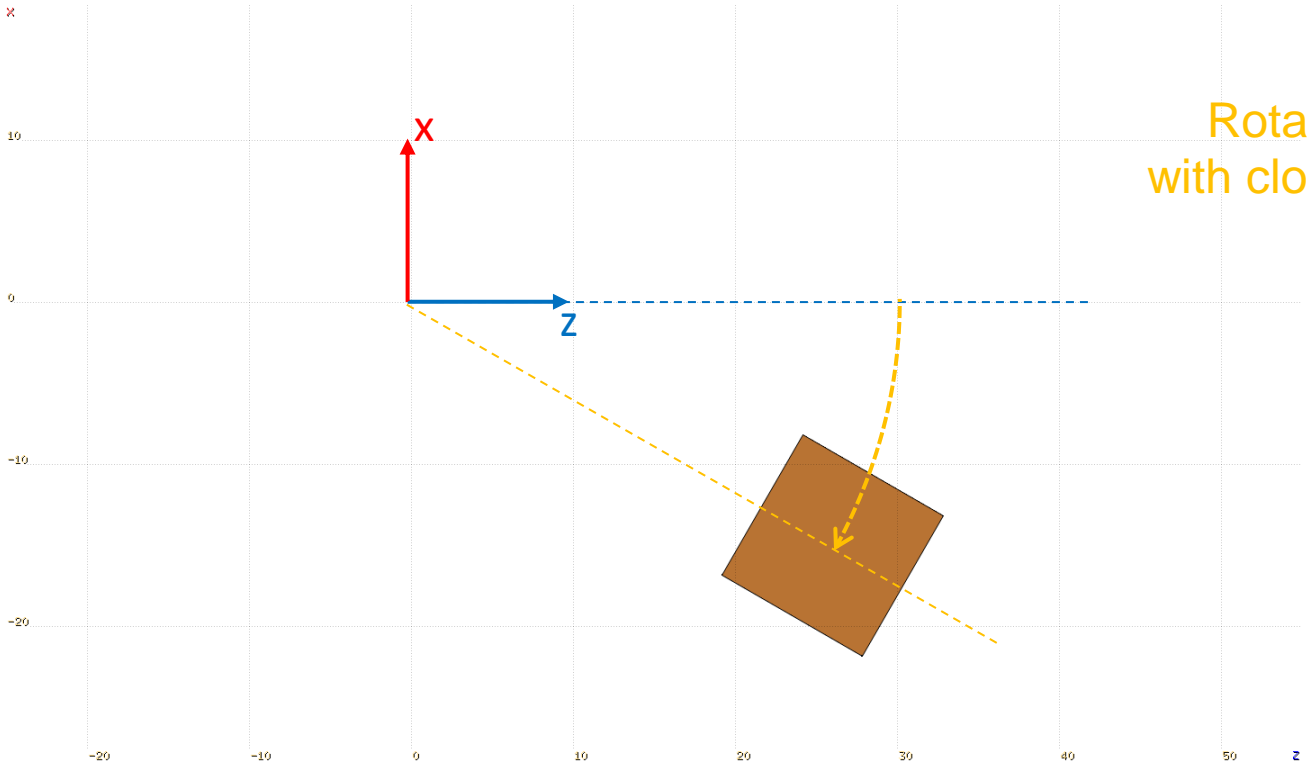
Body located away from the origin of the coordinate system.

Initial state



# ROT-DEFI card – Example 1

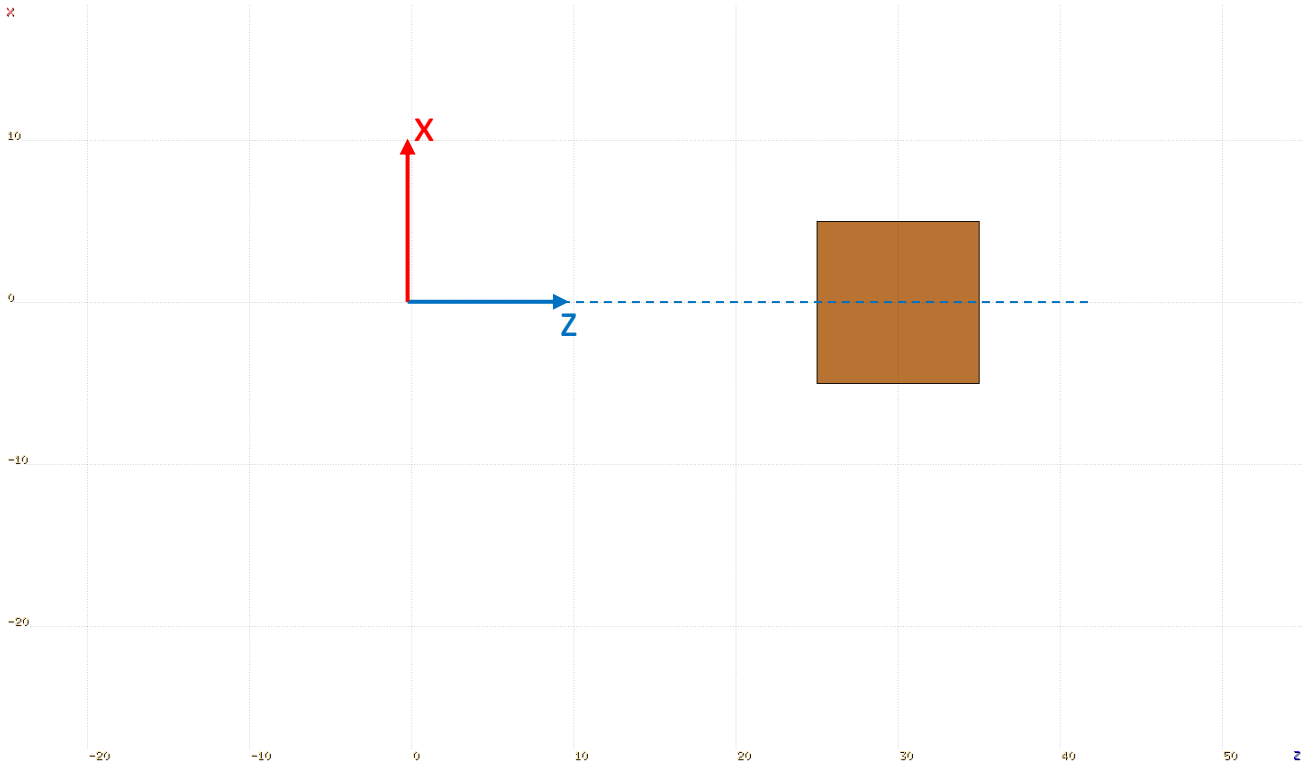
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	Δx:	Δy:	Δz:



# ROT-DEFI card – Example 2

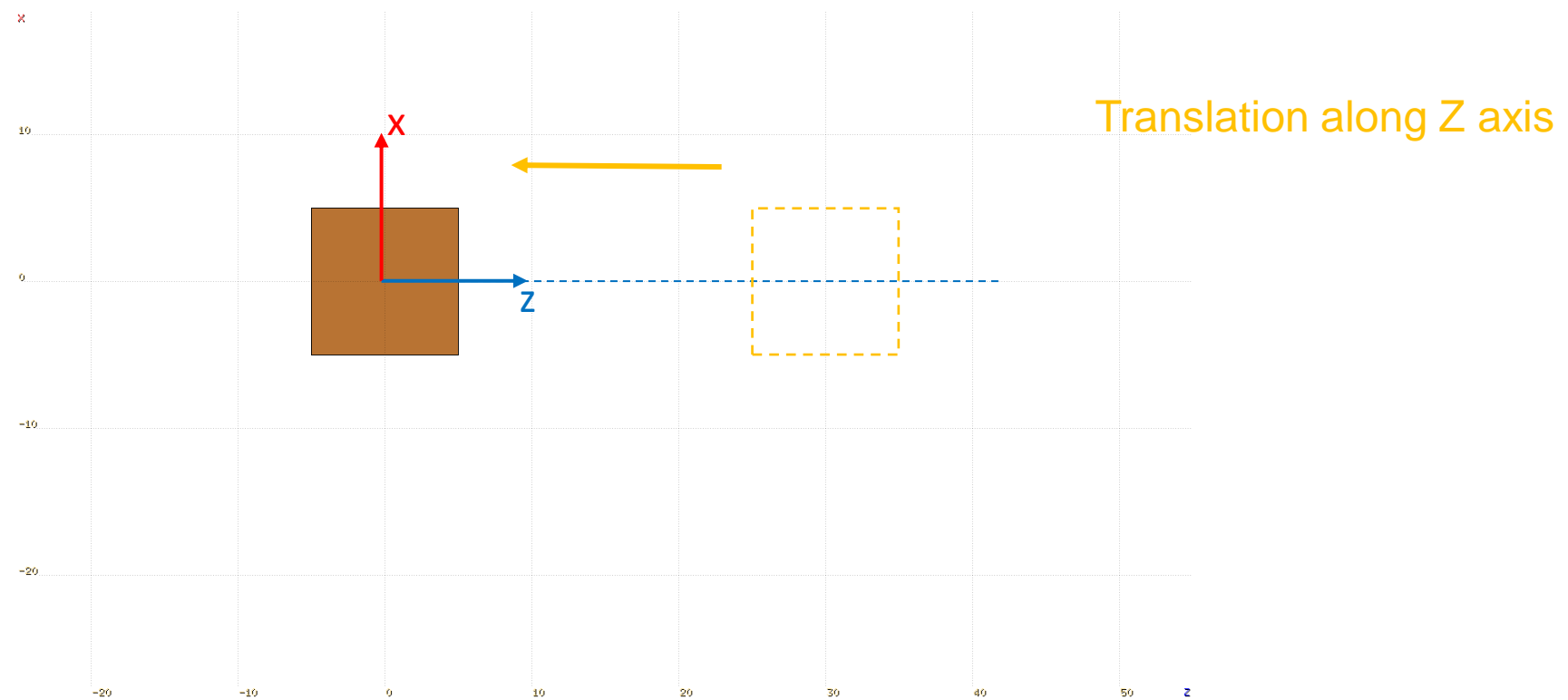
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Initial state



# ROT-DEFI card – Example 2

<b>ROT-DEFI</b>	Axis: Y ▼	Id: 0	Name: Rot
Polar:		Azm: 30	
$\Delta x$ :		$\Delta y$ :	$\Delta z$ : -30



# ROT-DEFI card – Example 2

⚙️ **ROT-DEFI**

Axis: Y ▼

Polar:

$\Delta x$ :

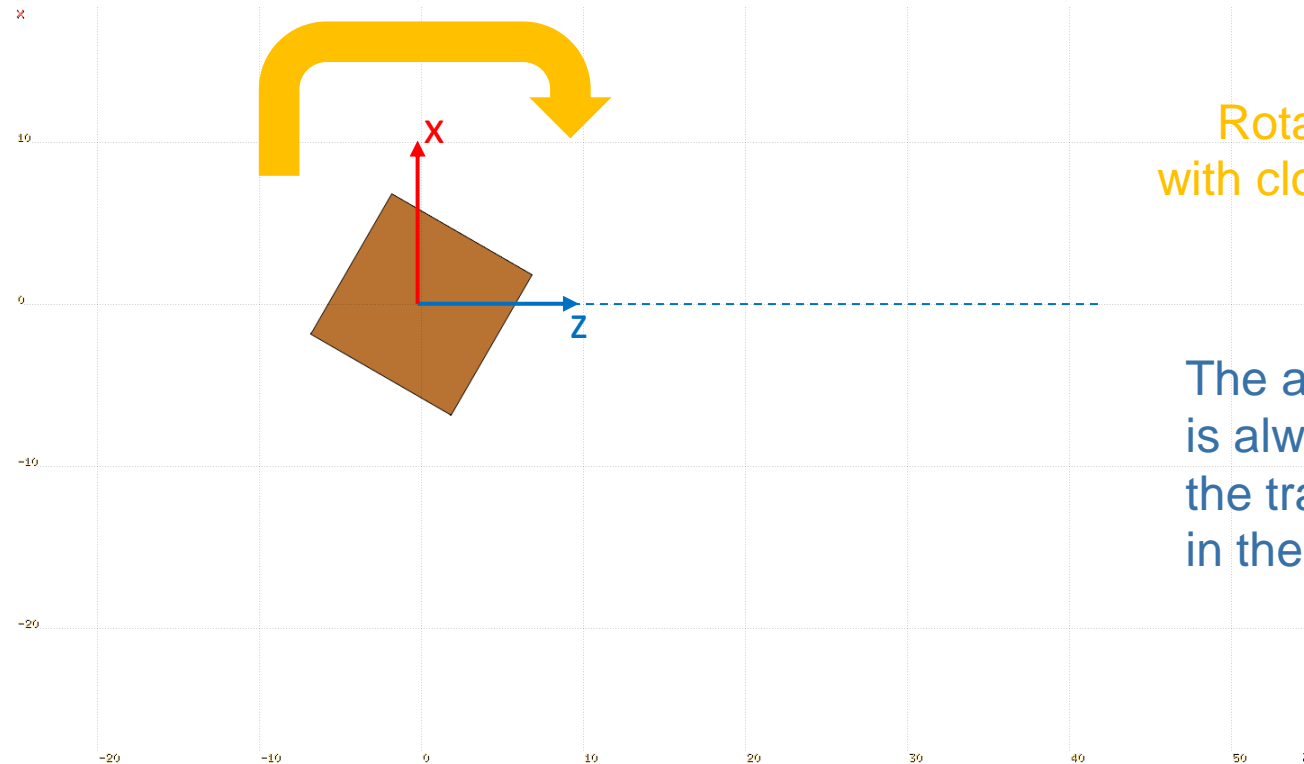
Id: 0

Azm: 30

$\Delta y$ :

Name: Rot

$\Delta z$ : -30

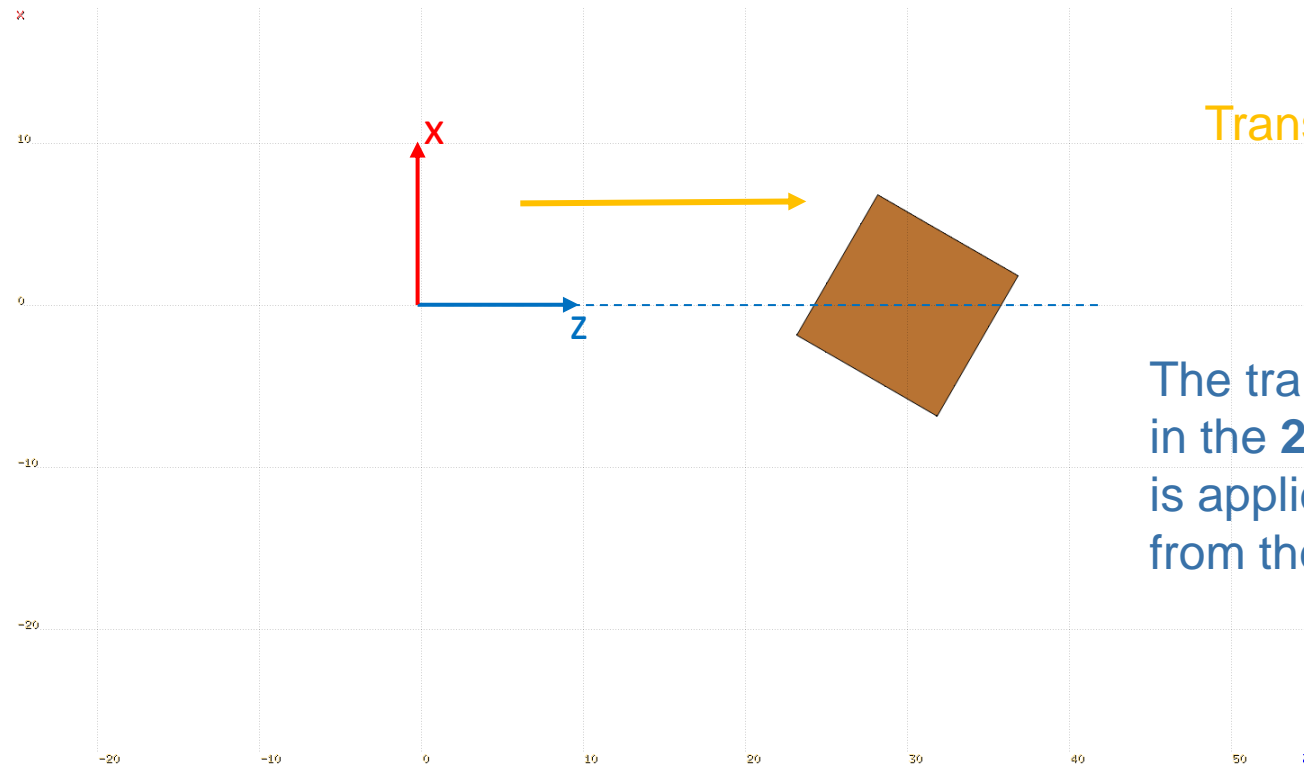


Rotation around Y axis  
with clockwise angle  $\varphi = 30^\circ$

The azimuthal rotation  
is always performed after  
the translation defined  
in the same ROT-DEFI card.

# ROT-DEFI card – Example 2

1.	⊞ <b>ROT-DEFI</b>	Axis: Y ▼	Id: 0	Name: Rot
		Polar:	Azm: 30	
		$\Delta x$ :	$\Delta y$ :	$\Delta z$ : -30
2.	⊞ <b>ROT-DEFI</b>	Axis: Y ▼	Id: 0	Name: Rot
		Polar:	Azm:	$\Delta z$ : 30
		$\Delta x$ :	$\Delta y$ :	



# Geometry directives



# Geometry directives

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

```
$start_xxx
```

```
...
```

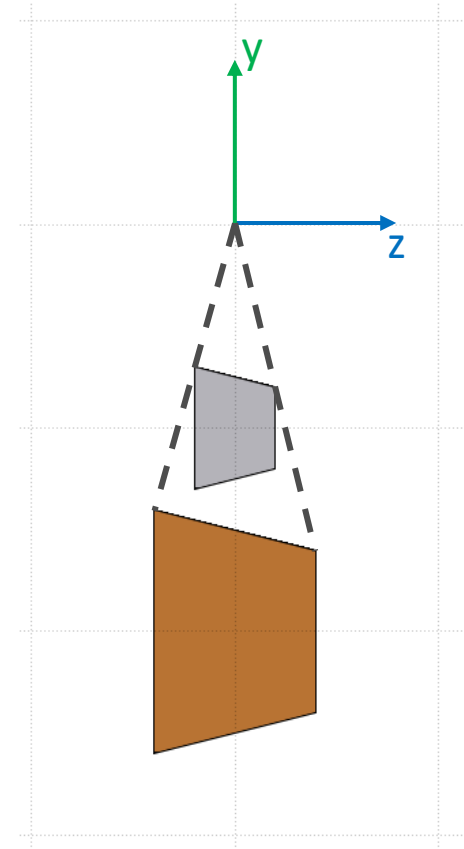
```
$end_xxx
```

- 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: expansion

```
$start_expansion  
...  
$end_expansion
```

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

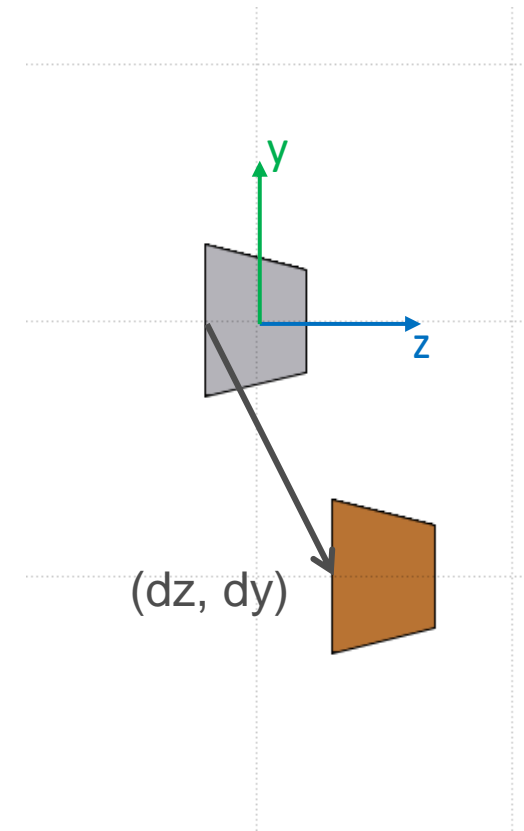


```
◇ $start_expansion f: 2  
  ▲ TRC target x: 0.0 y: -10.0 z: -2.0  
                Hx: 0.0 Hy: 0.0 Hz: 4.0  
                Rbase: 3.0 Rappex: 2.0  
◇ $end_expansion
```

# Directives in geometry: 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
```

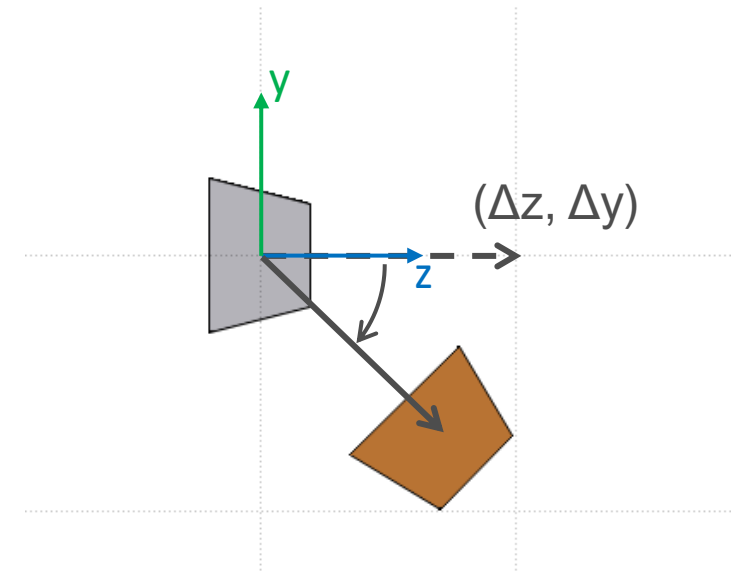
# Directives in geometry: transform

```
$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: warnings

- `$start_expansion` and `$start_translat` are applied at intialisation  
→ 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
```

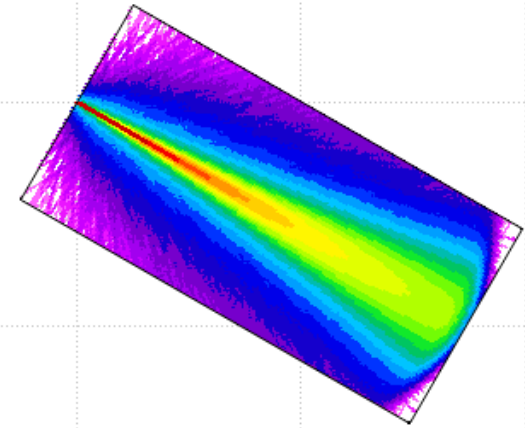
# The ROTPRBIN card

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- Consider the following problem:
  - Pencil beam impinging on a cylindrical target
  - Using the R- $\Phi$ -Z USRBIN scoring, for symmetry
  - The beam and the target are rotated by 30 degrees around the **y** axis
- Solution: **ROTPRBIN** card
  - Allows to apply a roto-translation transformation (**ROT-DEFIni** cards) to **USRBIN** or **EVENTBIN** scorings
  - **Important:** In the **ROTPRBIN** card, the **transformation which is specified is NOT the usual placement of the mesh in the lab frame of reference** (i.e., the transformation: lab frame of reference  $\rightarrow$  mesh frame of reference), but its **inverse**.

# The ROTPRBIN card

- Example: **Both** the "target" solid and the "Fluence" mesh are rotated with "Rot":



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

```
◇ $start_transform  Trans: Rot ▼
  RCC target        x: 0.0                y: 0.0                z: 0.0
                   Hx: 0.0                Hy: 0                 Hz: 2.0
                   R: 0.5
◇ $end_transform
```

**Solid placement:**  
Call "Rot"

```
■ USRBIN                Unit: 21 BIN ▼                Name: Fluence
Type: R-Φ-Z ▼          Rmin: 0.0                Rmax: 0.5                NR: 50
Part: PROTON ▼        X: 0.0                Y: 0.0                NΦ: 1
Zmin: 0.0             Zmax: 2.0                NZ: 200
```

```
◇ ROTPRBIN                Type: ▼                Storage:                # Events:
                          Rot: -Rot ▼          Rot2: ▼
                          Bin: Fluence ▼        to Bin: ▼                Step:
```

**Mesh placement:**  
Call "- Rot"

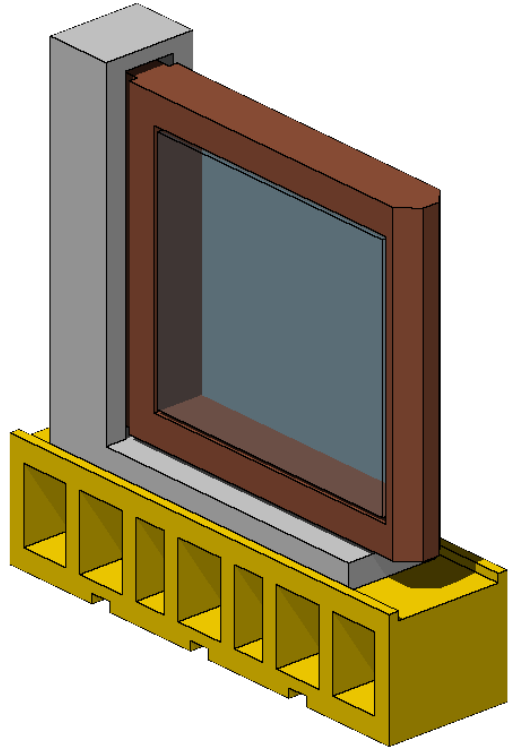


# Building modular geometries

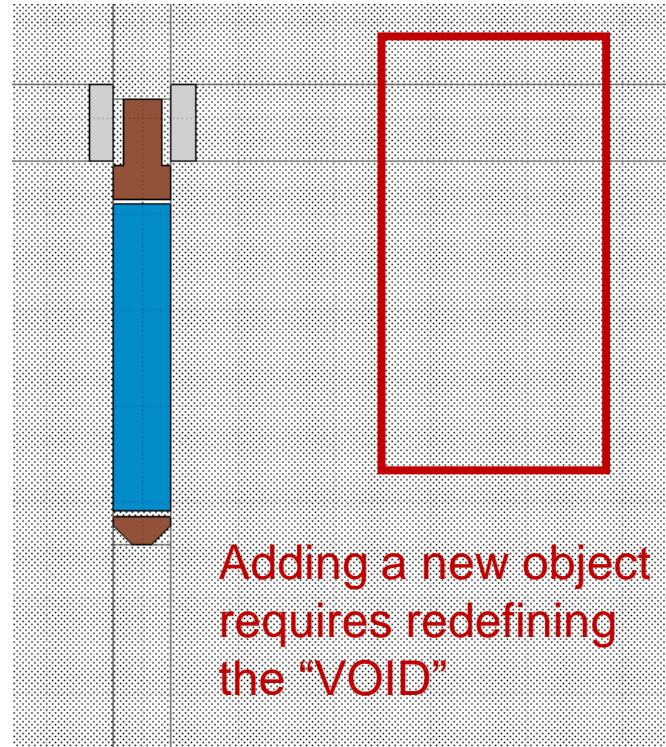
# Bounding box

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

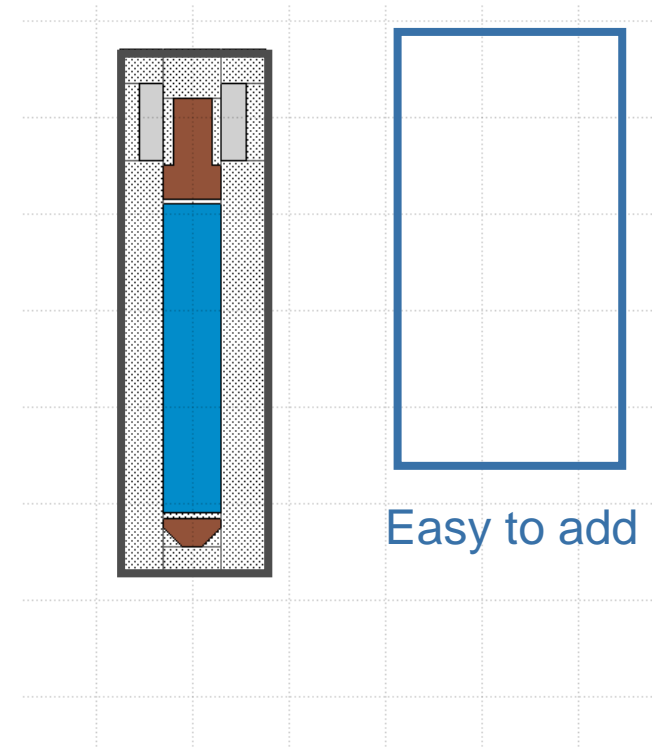
Complex object



Complex “VOID”

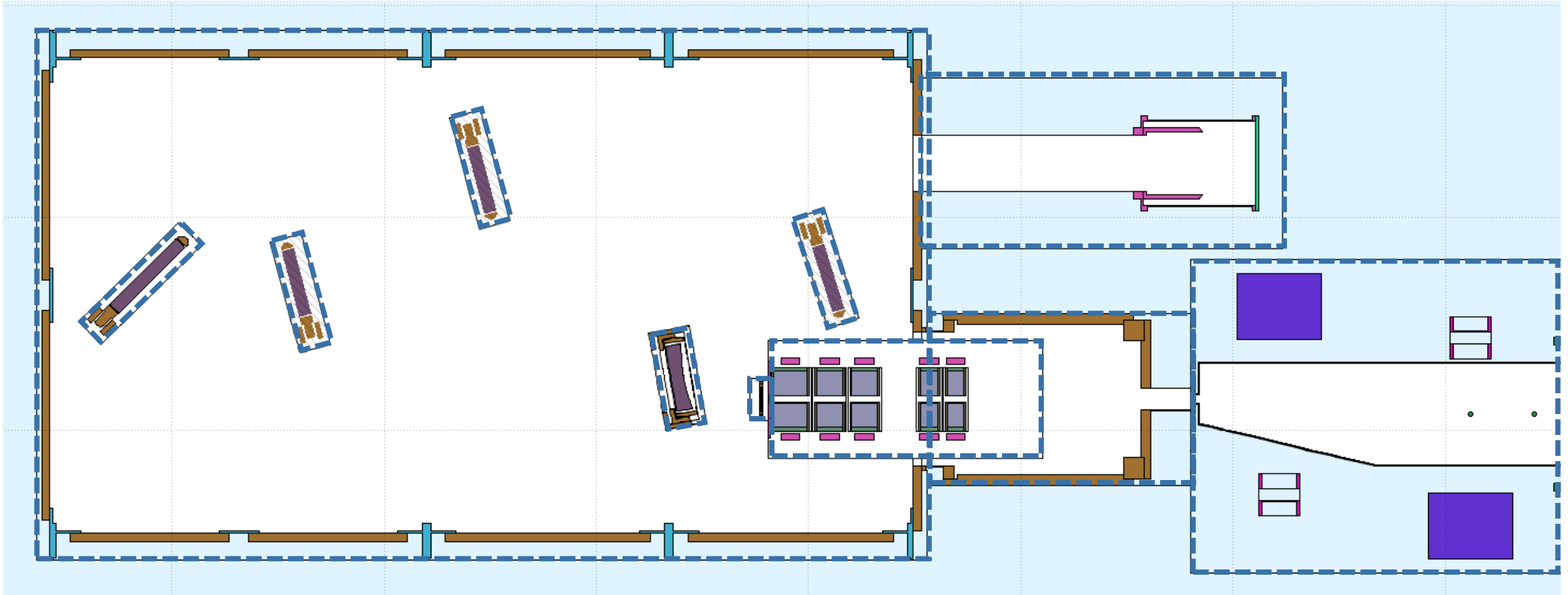


Solution: the Bounding Box



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

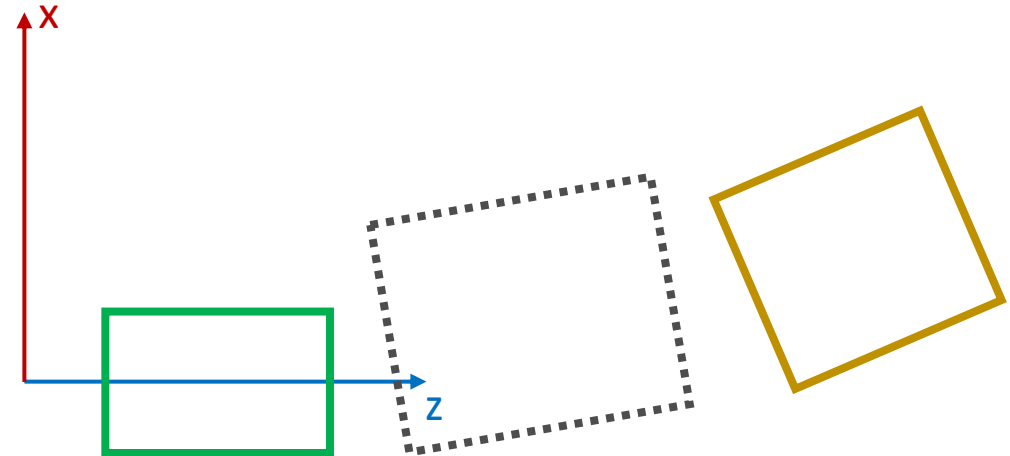
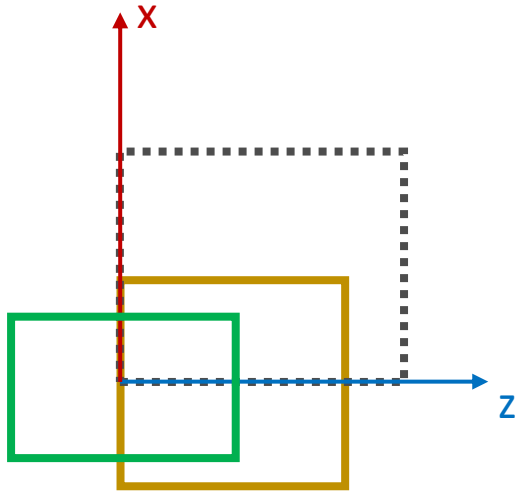
# Bounding box



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:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> character: Beamline
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> character: Object type
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> character: Object number
  - 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> 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

