



Advanced geometry

Transformations and modular geometries

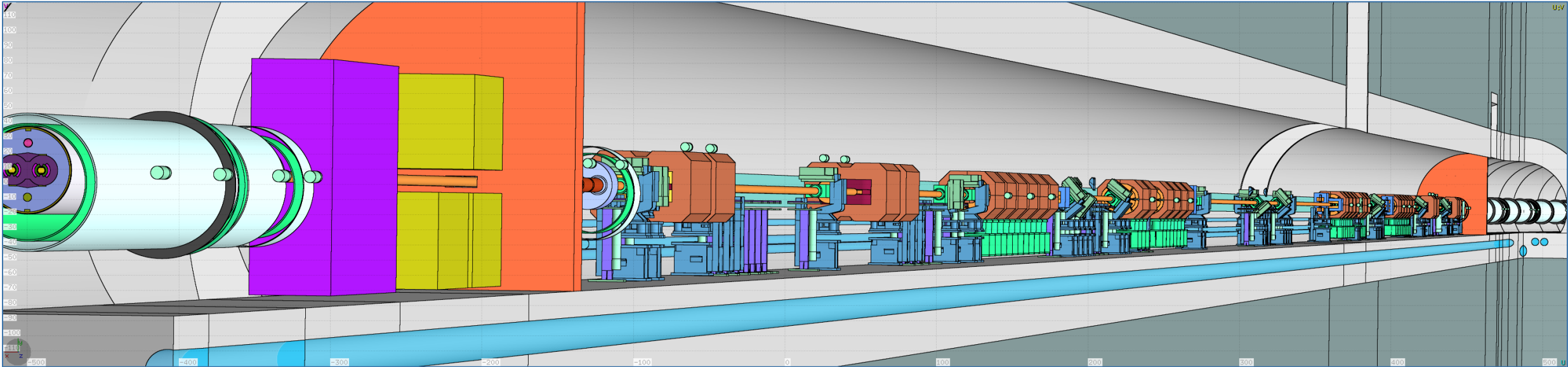
Basic geometry concepts

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

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

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 **ROT-DEFI** card must be outside the geometry description, e.g. after **GEOEND**
The roto-translation places the body (or USRBIN etc) in the **lab** frame of reference.

ROT-DEFI card – Definition

ROT-DEFI

Axis: Z ▼

Id: 0

Name:

Polar:

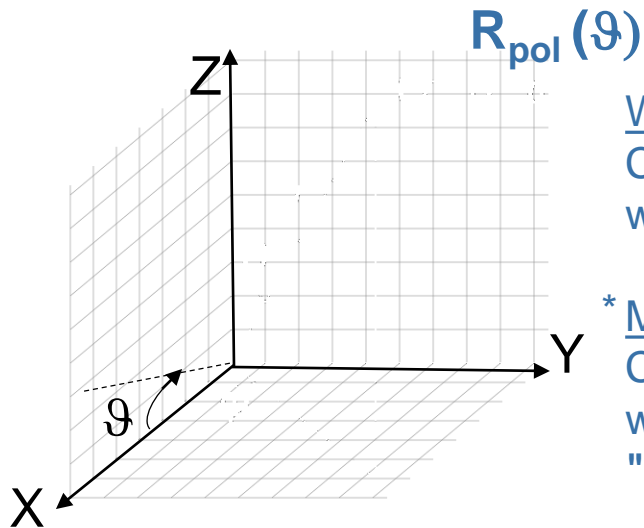
Azm:

Δx :

Δy :

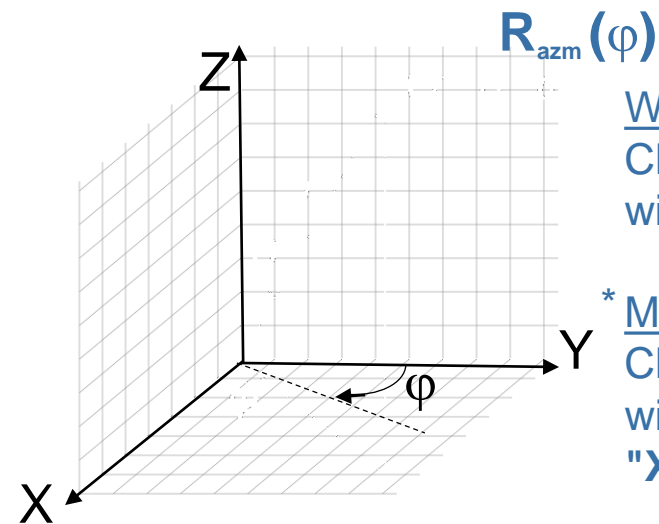
Δz :

- 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



When reference axis is Z:
Clockwise rotation around Y
with angle ϑ

* More generally, with ref. axis X_0 :
Clockwise rotation around X_2
with angle ϑ
"X₁ goes towards X₀"



When reference axis is Z:
Clockwise rotation around Z
with angle φ

* More generally, with ref. axis X_0 :
Clockwise rotation around X_0
with angle φ
"X₂ goes towards X₁"

* 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

ROT-DEFI	Axis: Z ▼	Id: 0	Name:
	Polar: ϑ value	Azm: φ value	
	Δx : X_{offset} value	Δy : Y_{offset} value	Δz : Z_{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_{azm} , then R_{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 ϑ



rotation around Z axis
with clockwise angle φ

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.

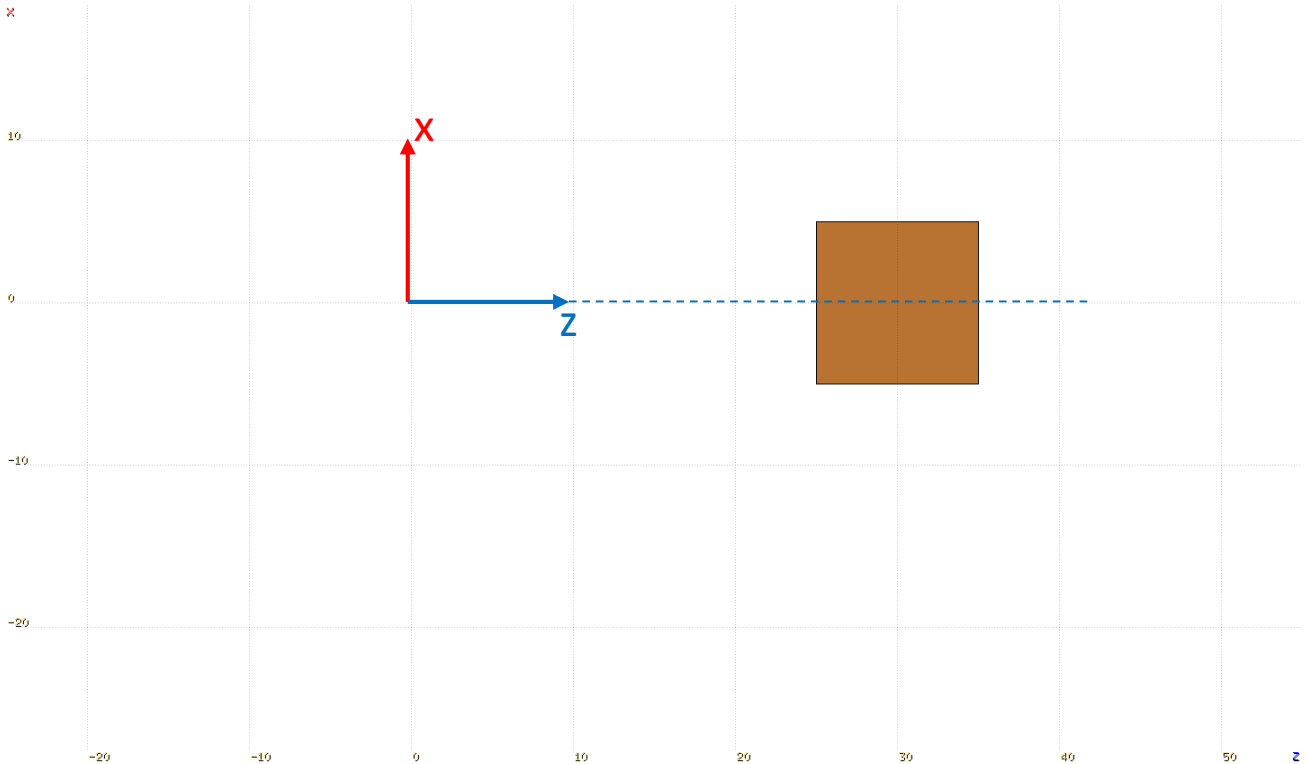
1.	 ROT-DEFI	Axis: Y ▼ Polar: Δx:	Id: 0 Azm: 30 Δy:	Name: Rot Δz: -30
2.	 ROT-DEFI	Axis: Y ▼ Polar: Δx:	Id: 0 Azm: Δy:	Name: Rot Δz: 30

- 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

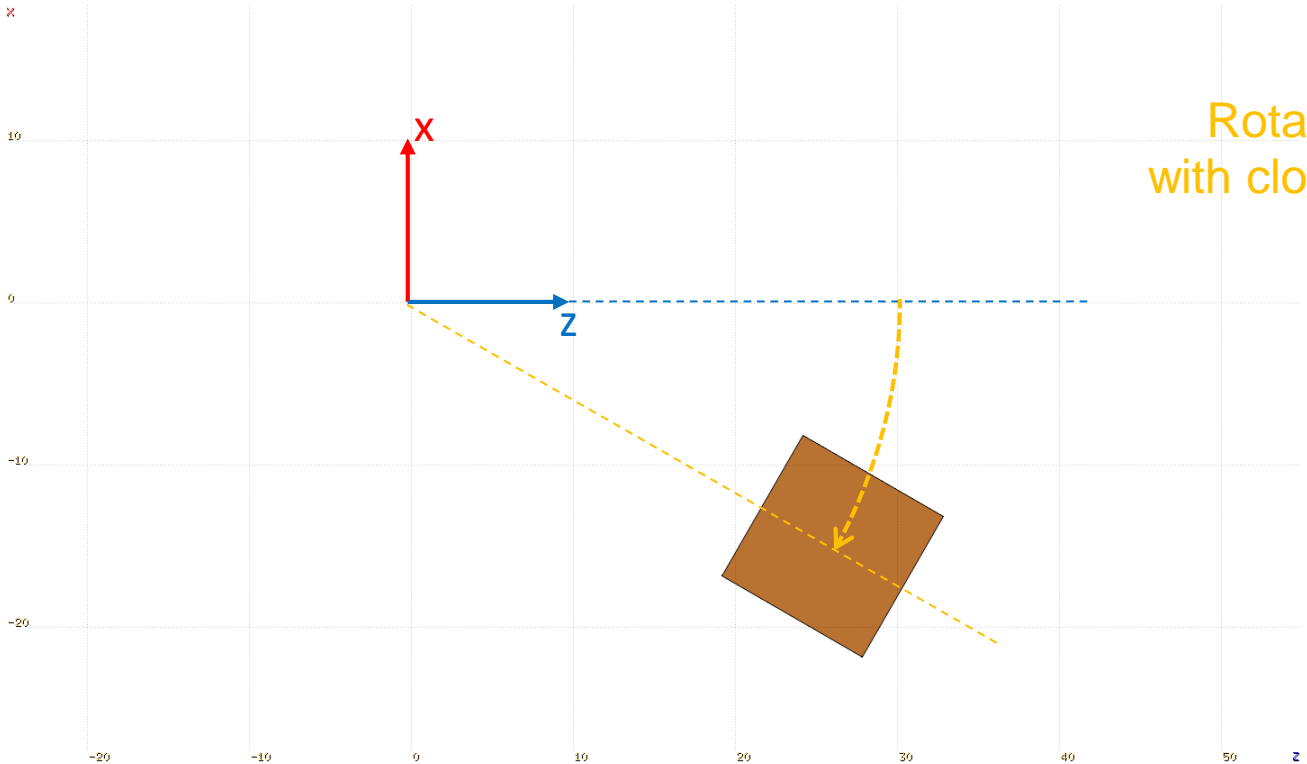
Body located away from the origin of the coordinate system.

Initial state



ROT-DEFI card – Example 1

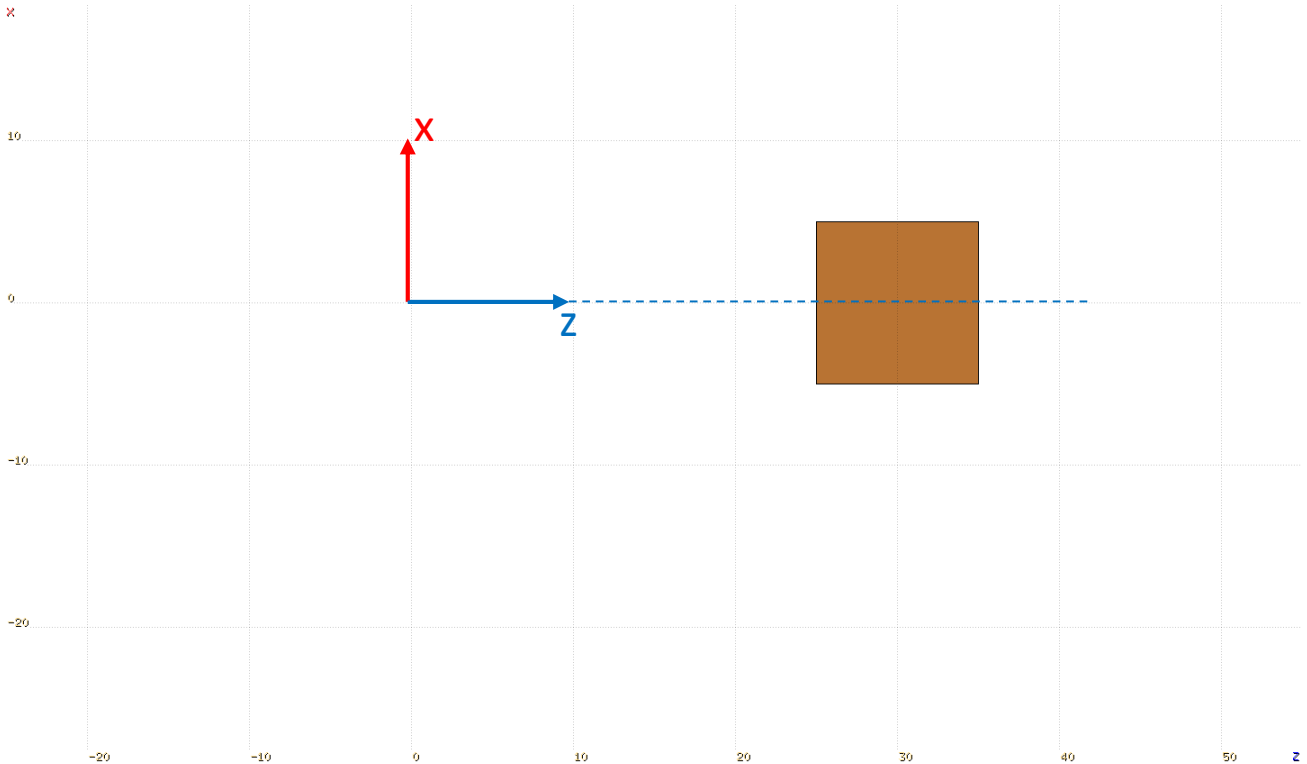
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	Polar:	Azm: 30	
	Δx:	Δy:	Δz:



ROT-DEFI card – Example 2

Body located away from the origin of the coordinate system.

Initial state



ROT-DEFI card – Example 2

⊞ **ROT-DEFI**

Axis: Y ▼

Id: 0

Name: Rot

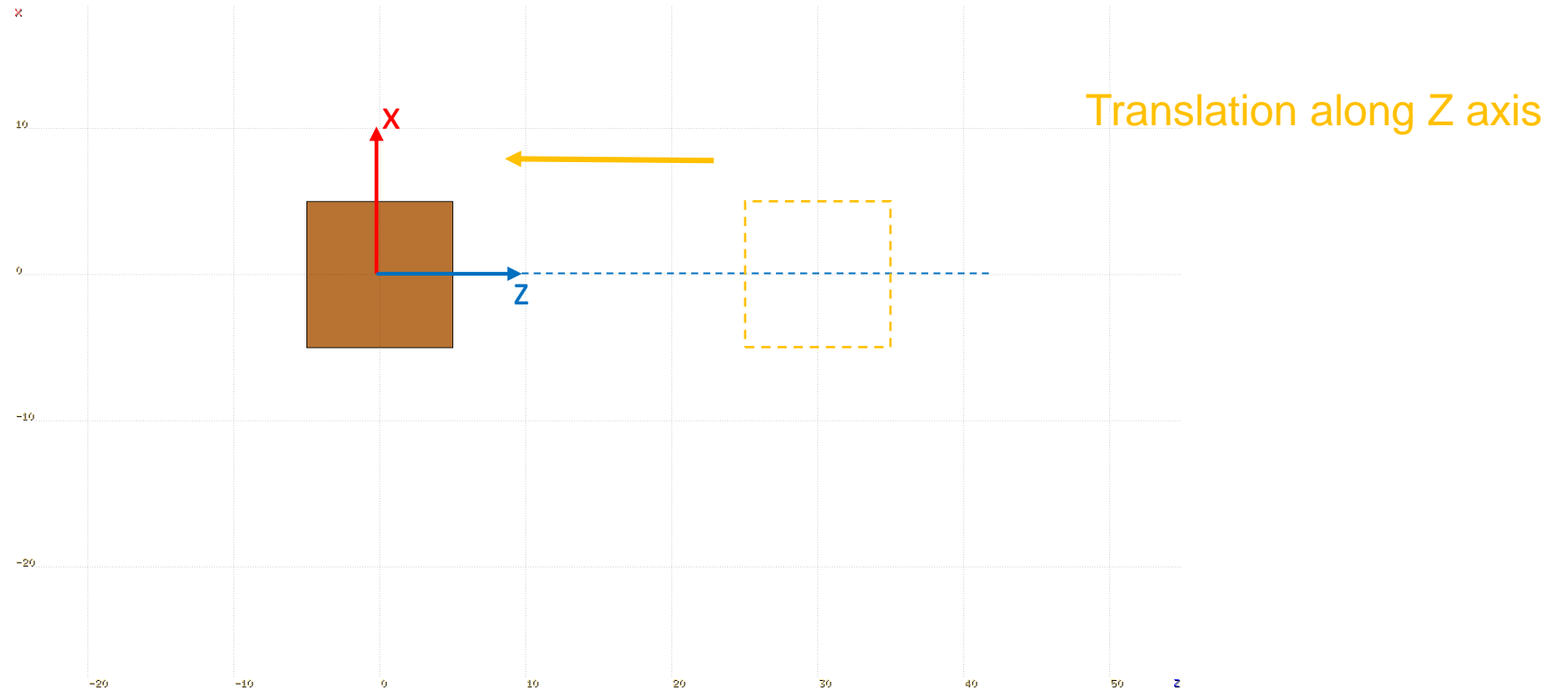
Polar:

Azm: 30

Δx :

Δy :

Δz : -30



ROT-DEFI card – Example 2

⚙️ **ROT-DEFI**

Axis: Y ▼

Polar:

Δx :

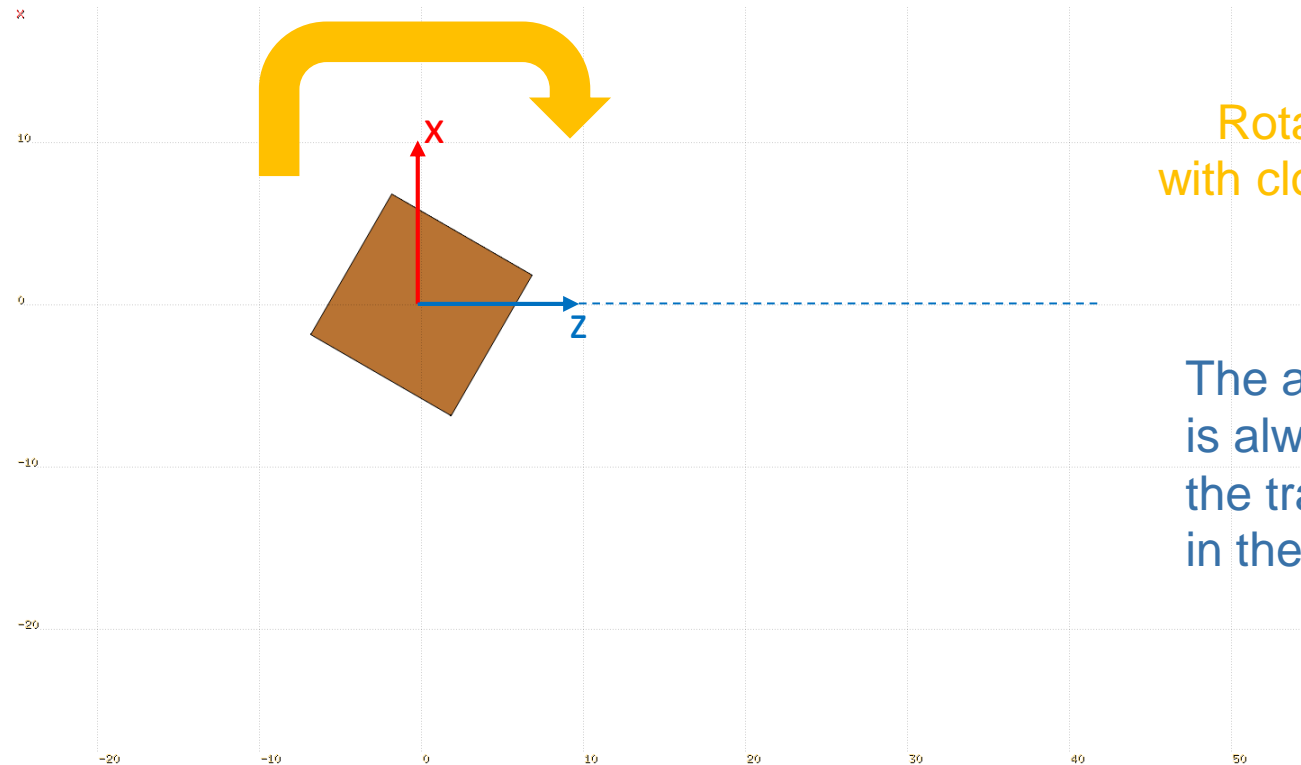
Id: 0

Azm: 30

Δy :

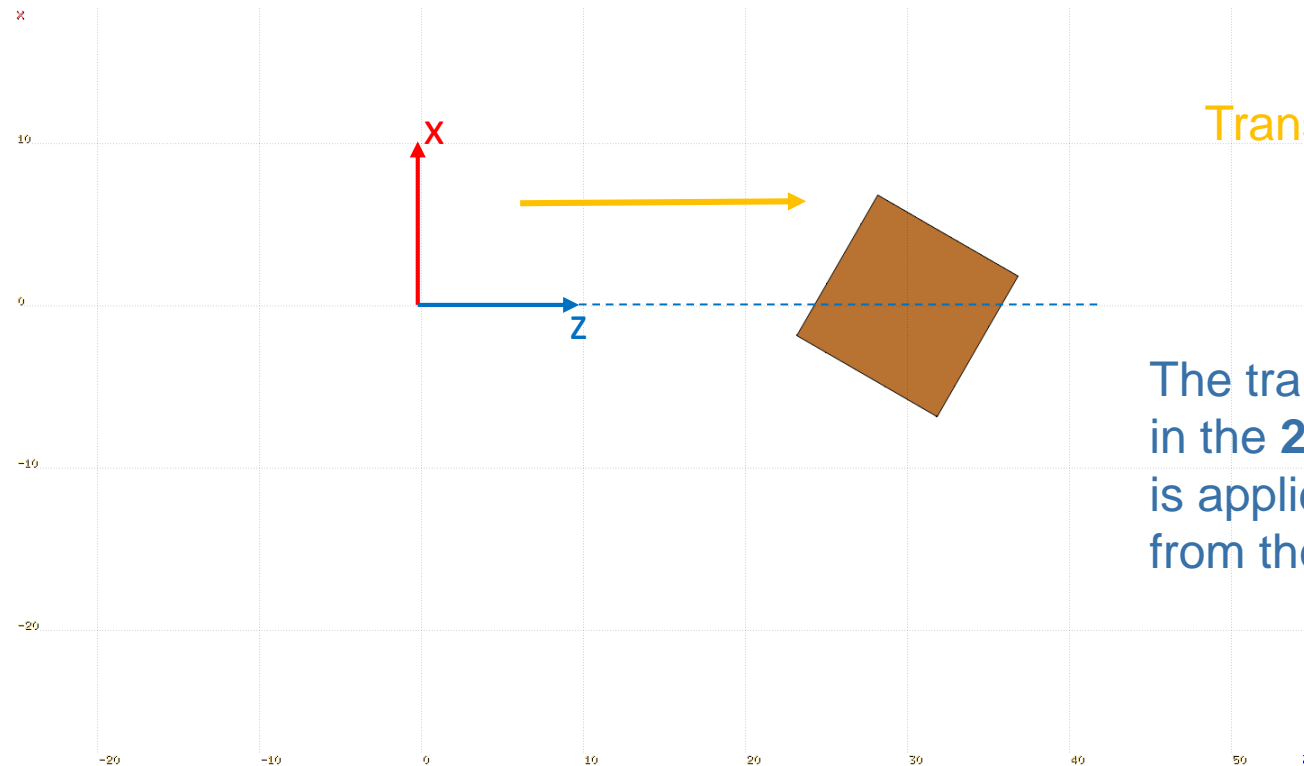
Name: Rot

Δz : -30



ROT-DEFI card – Example 2

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:	Δz: 30
		Δx:	Δy:	



Geometry directives

Geometry directives

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

```
$start_xxx
```

```
...
```

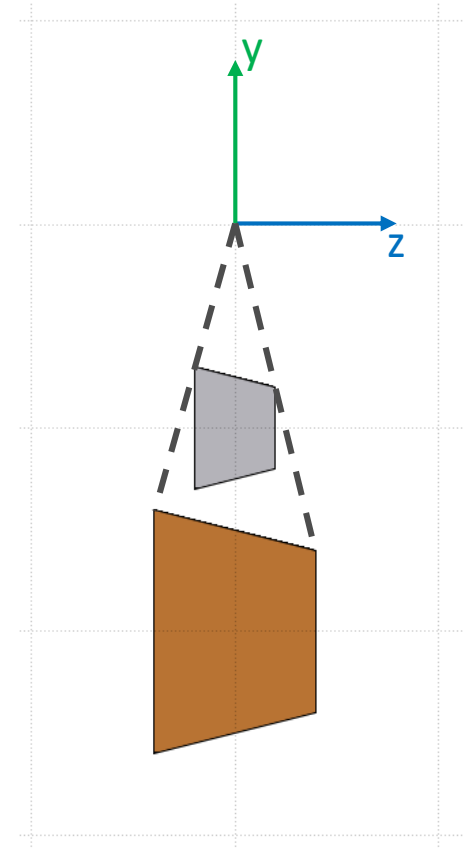
```
$end_xxx
```

- 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

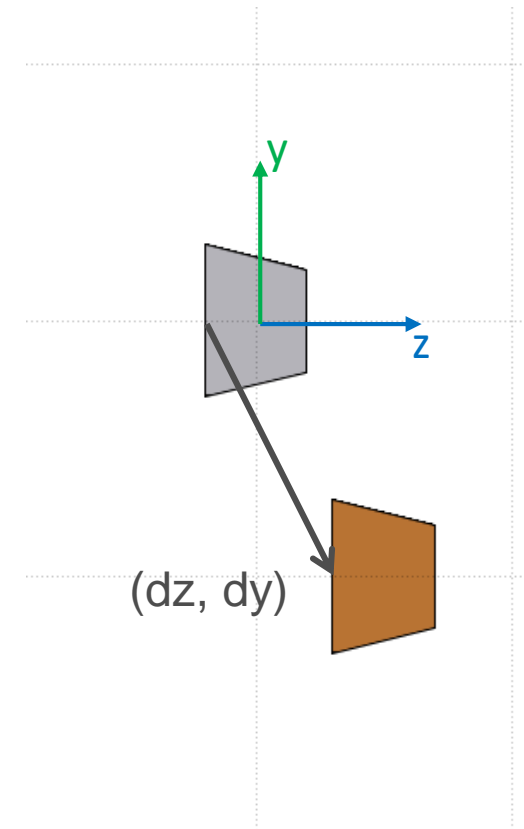


```
◇ $start_expansion f: 2  
  ▲ TRC target x: 0.0 y: -10.0 z: -2.0  
                Hx: 0.0 Hy: 0.0 Hz: 4.0  
                Rbase: 3.0 Rappex: 2.0  
◇ $end_expansion
```

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
```

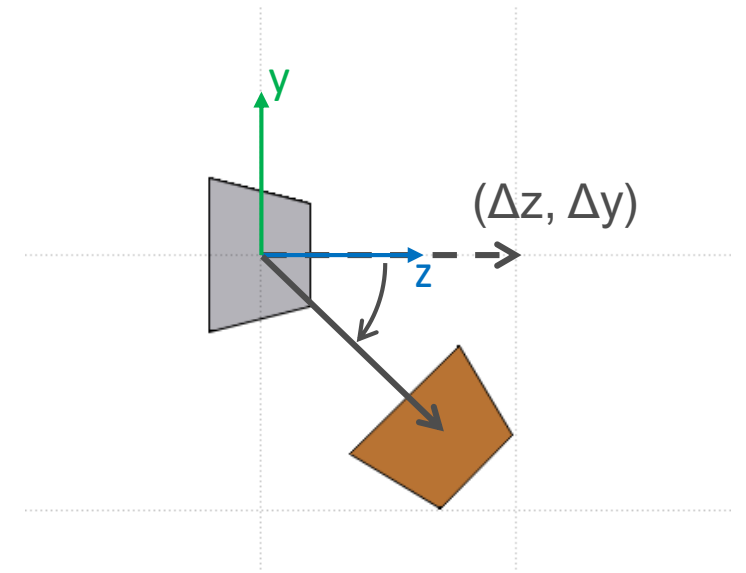
Directives in geometry: transform

```
$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
```

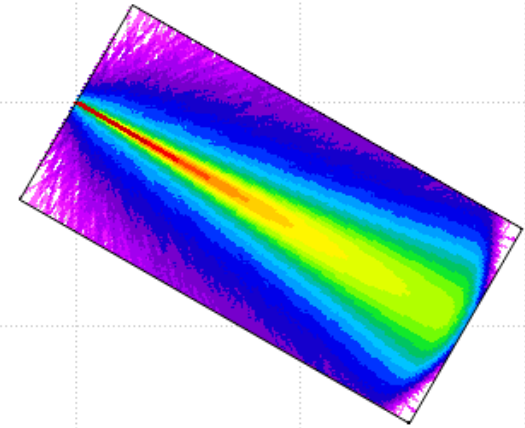
The ROTPRBIN card

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 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:
```

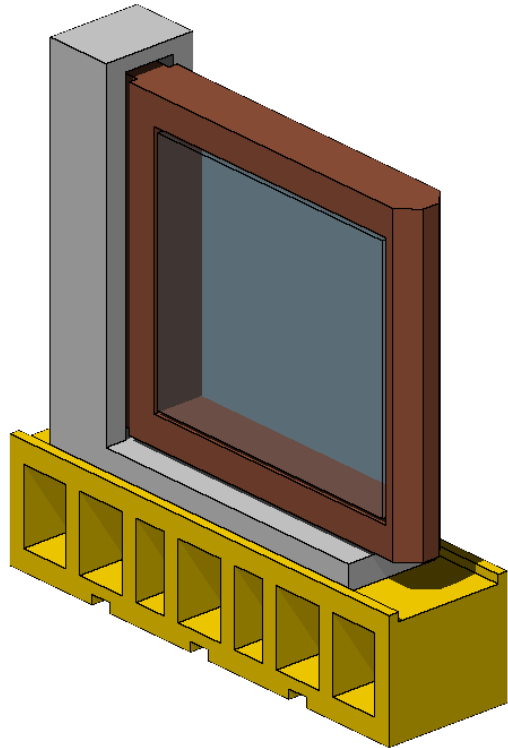
Mesh placement:
Call "- Rot"

Building modular geometries

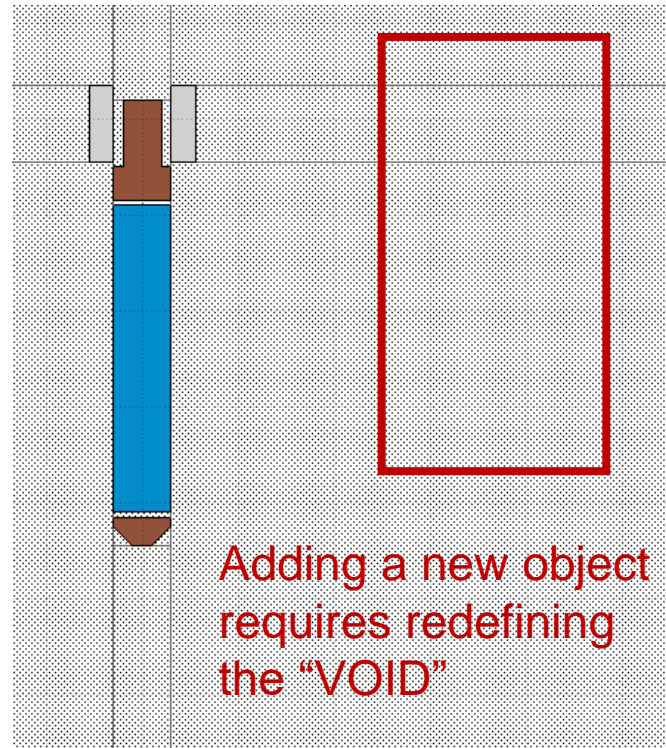
Bounding box

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

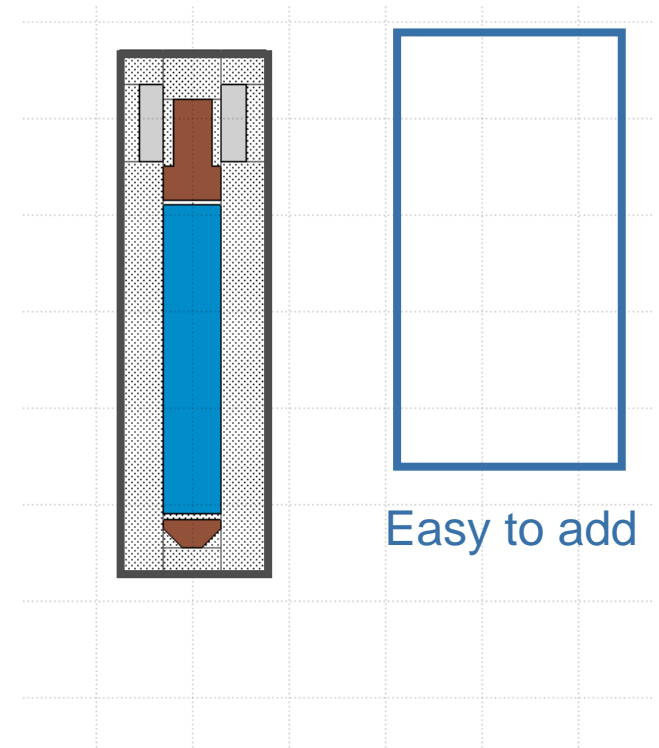
Complex object



Complex “VOID”

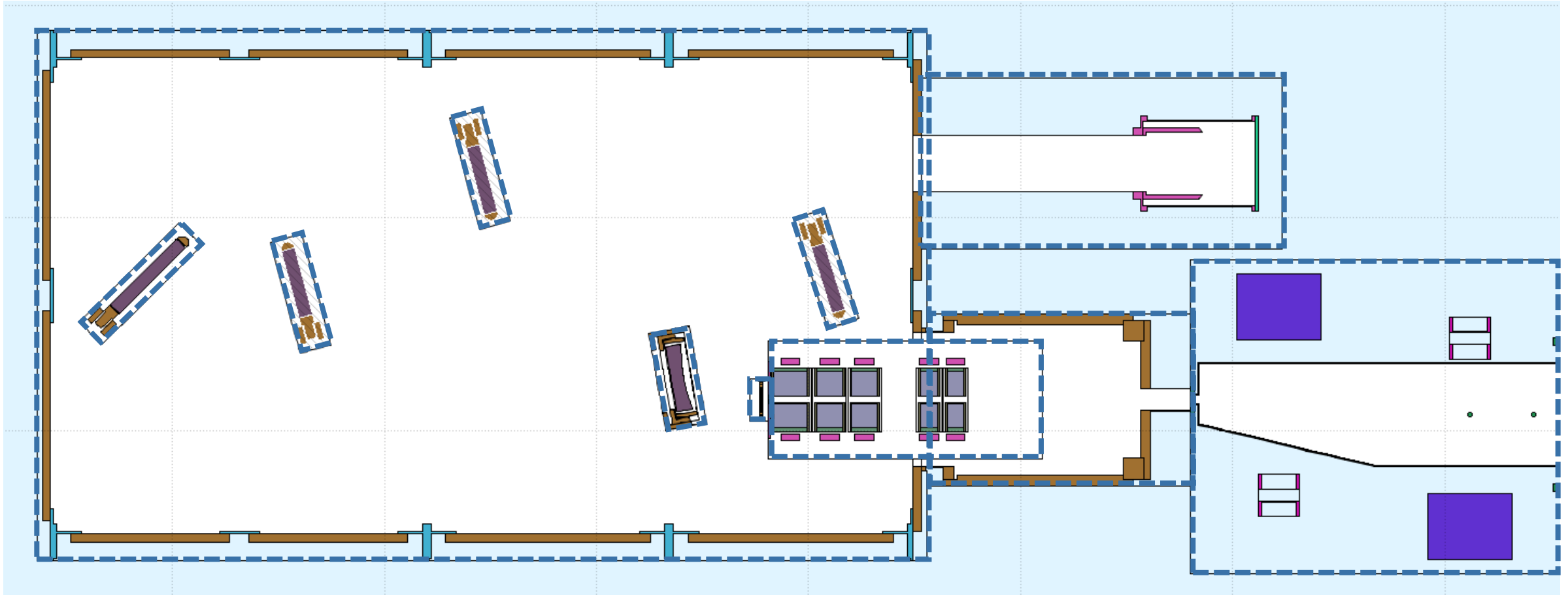


Solution: the Bounding Box



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

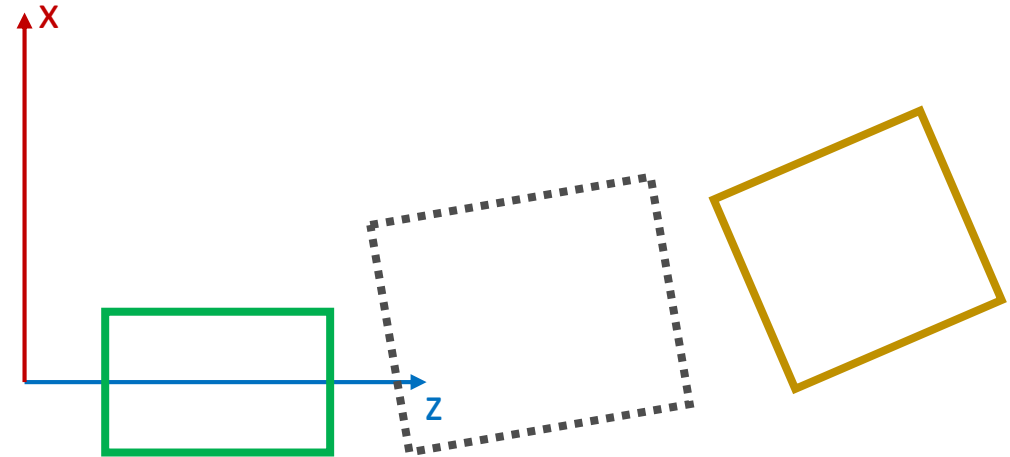
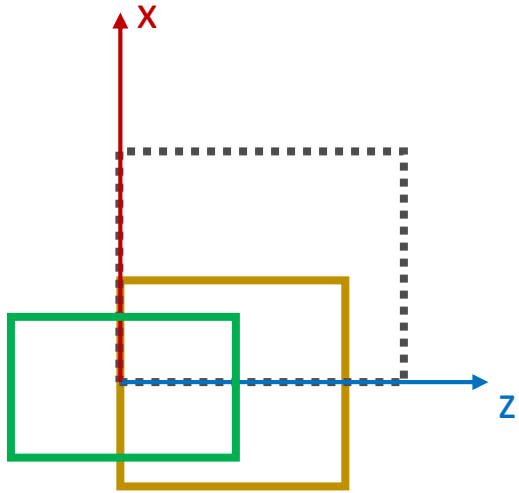
Bounding box



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:
 - 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

