

# Engineering Sketch Pad (ESP)



## Training Session 8 Selection & Attribution

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- Purpose and Types of Attributes
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- Attributes That are Automatically Set
- Csystem
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- Viewing Attributes: `DisplayFilter`
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- Attributes are meta-data that can be used to tag any entity
- Attributes can be applied to:
  - Bodys
  - Faces
  - Edges
  - Nodes
- Attributes can be:
  - one or more integers (reserved for internal use)
  - one or more floating-point numbers
  - a character string

- Attributes are defined for any Branch that produces a Body
- Attributes are defined by an **ATTRIBUTE** statement
- Attribute names must not start with a period (which is reserved for EGADS) or an underscore (which is reserved for OpenCSM)
- If the first character of the value is a dollar-sign, then the Attribute will contain a character string
- Otherwise the Attribute will contain one or more real (double) values
  - if the value is the name of a multi-valued Parameter, then the Attribute will be multi-valued
  - if the value is a semi-colon-separated list of expressions, then the Attribute will be multi-valued
  - otherwise the Attribute will be a single real (double)

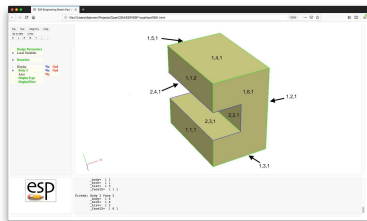
- Global Attributes are set with an **ATTRIBUTE** statement before the first Body is created
- Attributes can be set for a Body (and all newly-created Faces) with an **ATTRIBUTE** statement following the Branch that created the Body
- Attribute can be set on any entity(s) by putting an **ATTRIBUTE** statement following a **SELECT** statement
- Best practice is to set the Attributes as soon as the Body is created (for example via a primitive or grown Body command)

- The **SELECT** statement stores its values in:
  - **@seltype**
    - -1 if only a Body is selected
    - 0 if one or more Nodes are selected
    - 1 if one or more Edges are selected
    - 2 if one or more Faces are selected
  - **@selbody** contains the number of the Body selected
  - **@sellist** contains the list of the Nodes, or Edges, or Faces selected within **@selbody**

- `SELECT BODY` — selects last Body created
- `SELECT BODY ibody` — selects Body `ibody`
- `SELECT BODY -n` — selects the  $n^{\text{th}}$  Body from the top of the Stack
- `SELECT BODY $attrName1 attrValue1 ...` — selects the last Body that matches all the given Attributes

- `SELECT FACE` — selects all Faces in selected Body
- `SELECT FACE iface` — selects Face `iface` in selected Body
  - using this is considered a bad practice since Face numbering may change depending on the version of `OpenCASCADE` that is being used
- `SELECT FACE ibody1 iford1 iseq=1` — selects the Face that has the indicated `ibody1/iford1`
  - as each Face is created, it is marked with the Body in which it was created and the face-order in that Body. This is the preferred technique.
- `SELECT FACE xmin xmax ymin ymax zmin zmax` — selects the Faces with the specified bounding box
- `SELECT FACE $attrName1 attrValue1 ...` — selects the Faces that matches all the given Attributes





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# iford
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BOX      0  0  0  2  3  3
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BOX     -1  1 -1  2  1  5
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SUBTRACT
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END
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- Edge ID is generated based upon the ibody/iface of its two adjoining Faces

- **SELECT EDGE** — selects all Edges in selected Body
- **SELECT EDGE iedge** — selects Edge *iedge* in selected Body
  - using this is considered a bad practice since Edge numbering may change depending on the version of OpenCASCADE that is being used
- **SELECT EDGE ibody1 iford1 ibody2 iford2 iseq=1** — selects the Edge that has the indicated *ibody1/iford1*
  - as each Edge is created, it is marked with the *ibody/iford* of the Faces that adjoin it. This is the preferred technique.
- **SELECT EDGE xmin xmax ymin ymax zmin zmax** — selects the Edges with the specified bounding box
- **SELECT EDGE xmid ymid zmid** — selects the Edge whose midpoint is closest to the given coordinates
- **SELECT EDGE \$attrName1 attrValue1 ...** — selects the Edges that matches all the given Attributes

- `SELECT NODE` — selects all Nodes in selected Body
- `SELECT NODE inode` — selects Node `inode` in selected Body
  - using this is considered a bad practice since Node numbering may change depending on the version of `OpenCASCADE` that is being used
- `SELECT NODE x y z` — selects the Nodes closest to the given coordinates
- `SELECT NODE $attrName1 attrValue1 ...` — selects the Nodes that matches all the given Attributes

- Use **SELECT ADD ...** to add Faces, Edges, or Nodes to the selection list
- Use **SELECT SUB ...** to remove Faces, Edges, or Nodes from the selection List
- Both of these option use the selection type from the previous selection
- Use **SELECT SORT \$key** to sort @sellist based upon \$xmin, \$ymin, \$zmin, \$xmax, \$ymax, \$zmax, \$xcg, \$ycg, \$zcg, \$length (if Edges), or \$area (if Faces)

<code>_body</code>	Body index (bias-1)
<code>_brch</code>	Branch index (bias-1)
<code>_tParams</code>	specified tessellation parameters: maximum side length, maximum specified sag, maximum angle
<code>_csys_*</code>	arguments when CSYSTEM was defined
<code>&lt;any&gt;</code>	all global attributes
<code>&lt;any&gt;</code>	all attributes associated with Branch that created Body
<code>&lt;any&gt;</code>	all attributes associated with "select \$body" statement

`_body`            non-unique 2-tuple associated with first Face creation  
           `[0]`        Body index in which Face first existed (bias-1)  
           `[1]`        face-order associated with creation (see above)

`_brch`            non-unique even-numbered list associated with Branches  
                     that are active when the Face is created (most  
                     recent Branch is listed first)  
           `[2*i ]` Branch index (bias-1)  
           `[2*i+1]` (see below)

Branches that contribute to `brch` attribute are

primitive    (for which `brch[2*i+1]` is face-order)  
 udprim.udc   (for which `brch[2*i+1]` is 1)  
 grown        (for which `brch[2*i+1]` is face-order)  
 applied      (for which `brch[2*i+1]` is face-order)  
 sketch       (for which `brch[2*i+1]` is Sketch primitive if  
                     making WIRE)  
 patbeg       (for which `brch[2*i+1]` is pattern index)  
 recall       (for which `brch[2*i+1]` is 1)  
 restore      (for which `brch[2*i+1]` is Body number stored)

`_faceID`      unique 3-tuple that is assigned automatically

<code>[0]</code>	<code>body[0]</code>
<code>[1]</code>	<code>body[1]</code>
<code>[2]</code>	sequence number

if multiple Faces have same `_faceID[0]` and `_faceID[1]`,  
then the sequence number is defined based upon the  
first rule that applies:

- \* Face with smaller `xcg` has lower sequence number
- \* Face with smaller `ycg` has lower sequence number
- \* Face with smaller `zcg` has lower sequence number
- \* Face with smaller area has lower sequence number

`_hist`      list of Bodys that contained this Face (oldest to newest)

`_tParams`    specified tessellation parameters: maximum side length,  
                 maximum specified sag, maximum angle

`<any>`      all attributes associated with Branch that first created Face

`<any>`      all attributes associated with "SELECT \$face" statement

`_body`            non-unique 2-tuple associated with first Edge creation  
     `[0]`            Body index in which Edge first existed (bias-1)  
     `[1]`             $100 * \min(\text{body}[1][\text{ileft}], \text{body}[1][\text{irite}])$   
                      $+ \max(\text{body}[1][\text{ileft}], \text{body}[1][\text{irite}])$   
                     (or -3 if non-manifold)

`_edgeID`          unique 5-tuple that is assigned automatically  
     `[0]`            `_faceID[0]` of Face 1 (or 0 if non-manifold)  
     `[1]`            `_faceID[1]` of Face 1 (or 0 if non-manifold)  
     `[2]`            `_faceID[0]` of Face 2 (or 0 if non-manifold)  
     `[3]`            `_faceID[1]` of Face 2 (or 0 if non-manifold)  
     `[4]`            sequence number

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_edgeID[0]/[1] swapped with edge[2]/[3]  
100*_edgeID[0]+_edgeID[1] > 100*_edgeID[2]+_edgeID[3]  
if multiple Edges have same _edgeID[0], _edgeID[1],  
_edgeID[2], and _edgeID[3], then the sequence number  
is defined based upon the first rule that applies:  
* Edge with smaller xcg      has lower sequence number  
* Edge with smaller ycg      has lower sequence number  
* Edge with smaller zcg      has lower sequence number  
* Edge with smaller length has lower sequence number
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\_nface number of incident Faces

\_tParams specified tessellation parameters: maximum side length,  
maximum specified sag, maximum angle

<any> all attributes associated with "select \$edge" statement



# Attributes Automatically Set to Nodes

<code>_nodeID</code>	unique integer
<code>_nedge</code>	number of incident Edges
<code>&lt;any&gt;</code>	all attributes associated with "select \$node" statement



# Special User-defined Attributes for Bodys

`_makeQuds`    to make quads on all Faces in Body

`_name`        string used in ESP interface for a Body

`_stlColor`    color to use for all Faces in an .stl file



# Special User-defined Attributes for Faces

<code>_color</code>	color of front of Face in ESP either R,G,B in three 0-1 reals or \$red, \$green, \$blue, \$yellow, \$magenta, \$cyan, \$white, or \$black
<code>_bcolor</code>	color of back of Face in ESP (see <code>_color</code> )
<code>_gcolor</code>	color of grid of Face in ESP (see <code>_color</code> )
<code>_makeQuds</code>	to make quads for this Face
<code>_stlColor</code>	color to use for this Face in an .stl file



# Special User-defined Attributes for Edges

`_color`      color of front of Edge in ESP  
                either R,G,B in three 0-1 reals  
                or \$red, \$green, \$blue, \$yellow, \$magenta,  
                \$cyan, \$white, or \$black

`_gcolor`      color of grid of Edge in ESP (see `_color`)



# Special User-defined Attributes for Nodes

`_color`      color of Node in ESP  
either R,G,B in three 0-1 reals  
or \$red, \$green, \$blue, \$yellow, \$magenta,  
\$cyan, \$white, or \$black

- Csystems (coordinate systems) are generated by the **CSYSTEM** statement and are applied to the Body on the top of the Stack
- Csystems are treated in many ways like Attributes
  - Csystem names must not be the same as an Attribute name
  - Csystems are found in **ESP** in same place as Attributes
- Csystems are transformed along with any transformations that are applied to their Body

- Format of the CSYSTEM statement is:
  - If argument to CSYSTEM contains 9 entries:  
`{x0, y0, z0, dx1, dy1, dz1, dx2, dy2, dz3}`  
origin is at (x0,y0,q0)  
dirn1 is in (dx1,dy1,dz1) direction  
dirn2 is in (dx2,dy2,dz2) direction
  - If argument to CSYSTEM contains 5 entries and first is positive:  
`{+iface, ubar0, vbar0, du2, dv2}`  
origin is at normalized (ubar0,vbar0) in iface  
dirn1 is normal to Face  
dirn2 is in (du2,dv2) direction



- Format of the CSYSTEM statement is:
  - If argument to CSYSTEM contains 5 entries and first is negative:  
`{-iedge, tbar, dx2, dy2, dz2}`  
origin is at normalized (tbar) in iedge  
dirn1 is tangent to Edge  
dirn2 is part of (dx2,dy2,dz2) that is  
orthogonal to dirn1
  - If argument to CSYSTEM contains 7 entries:  
`{inode, dx1, dy1, dz1, dx2, dy2, dz2}`  
origin is at Node inode  
dirn1 is in (dx1,dy1,dz1) direction  
dirn2 is part of (dx1,dy2,dz2) that is  
orthogonal to dirn1



# Attribute Editor (1)

- Best practice is to set Attributes when entity is first created
- If not possible, the `editAttr` UDF is available to set Attributes based upon the Attributes of an entity's neighbors

- Statements in the attribute editor can be one of:
  - NODE      `<selector> <attrName1=attrValue1> ...`
  - EDGE      `<selector> <attrName1=attrValue1> ...`
  - FACE      `<selector> <attrName1=attrValue1> ...`
  - AND      `<selector> <attrName1=attrValue1> ...`
  - ANDNOT `<selector> <attrName1=attrValue1> ...`
  - SET      `<attrName1=attrValue1> ...`
- Keywords can either be specified in lowercase or UPPERCASE
- `<selector>` can be one of HAS, ADJ2NODE, ADJ2EDGE or ADJ2FACE

- Typical block of code looks like:

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NODE ADJ2FACE tagType=spar tagIndex=1
AND  ADJ2FACE tagType=lower
AND  ADJ2EDGE tagType=root
SET                                     capsConstraint=pointConstraint1
```

- Patterns can be used with PATBEG and PATEND

- Attributes can be viewed in **ESP** in three ways:
  - pressing the mouse in the Tree Window when cursor is over the Body name
  - pressing the **^** or **6** key when pointing to a Face, Edge, or Node in the Graphics Window
  - using the **Display Filter** option (at the bottom of the Tree Window)

- Using  
`$ESP_ROOT/training/ESP/data/session08/wingStruct.csm`
  - put the Attribute `LoadPoint=leftTip` on the Node that is at the intersection of the forward spar, wing tip, and upper skin on the left wing
  - for the skin panels on the right wing that are between the first and second rib, make their color red and their grid white
  - make the Edges blue that are between two red panels