

# Geometry

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## Topics

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**Geometry: Node**

**Geometry: Beam**

**Geometry: Physical Member**

**Geometry: Plate**

**Geometry: Solid**

**Geometry: Group**

**Geometry: Parametric Surface**

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## Functions

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afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSGeometryUI::DoTranslationalRepeat</b> (const VARIANT FAR &varLinkBays, const VARIANT FAR &varOpenBase, const VARIANT FAR &varAxisDir, const VARIANT FAR &varSpacingArray, const VARIANT FAR &varNoBays, const VARIANT FAR &varRenumberBay, const VARIANT FAR &varRenumberArray, const VARIANT FAR &varGeometryOnly) Performs translational repeat operation on selected entities along a linear path. For further details refer to following portion of the Help document of STAAD.Pro Home > Ribbon Control Reference > Geometry tab > Translational Repeat dialog Note: This API will work properly only if some entities (node/beam/plate/solid) are selected.
afx_msg void	<b>OSGeometryUI::SetFlagForHiddenEntities</b> (const VARIANT FAR &nFlagValue) Sets flag for consideration of hidden entities (nodes and plates) while getting count or list of those entities.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSGeometryUI::GetFlagForHiddenEntities</b> () Gets flag specified for consideration of hidden entities (nodes and plates) while getting count or list of those entities.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSGeometryUI::HasHiddenEntities</b> () Returns whether there are hidden plates in the model.

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## Detailed Description

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These functions are related to build model geometry.

## Function Documentation

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## ◆ DoTranslationalRepeat()

```
VARIANT OSGeometryUI::DoTranslationalRepeat ( const VARIANT FAR & varLinkBays,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & varOpenBase,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & varAxisDir,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & varSpacingArray,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & varNoBays,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & varRenumberBay,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & varRenumberArray,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & varGeometryOnly )
```

private

Performs translational repeat operation on selected entities along a linear path. For further details refer to following portion of the Help document of STAAD.Pro

Home > Ribbon Control Reference > Geometry tab > Translational Repeat dialog

Note: This API will work properly only if some entities (node/beam/plate/solid) are selected.

### Parameters

[ in ] <b>varLinkBays</b>	Boolean parameter to specify whether to generate new members between each step in the direction of the repeat (1/True = Link Bays, 0/False = Otherwise)
[ in ] <b>varOpenBase</b>	Boolean parameter to specify <i>not</i> to generate linking members at the base of the structure (i.e., the lowest nodes in the selection) (1/True = Open base, 0/False = Otherwise)
[ in ] <b>varAxisDir</b>	Long value to specify direction in global axis along which translational repeat operation is to be performed (GX = 0, GY = 1, GZ = 2)
[ in ] <b>varSpacingArray</b>	Array of Double to specify spacing between generated bays (size of array = varNoBays)
[ in ] <b>varNoBays</b>	Long parameter to specify number of generated bays (maximum no of bays that can be generated single call of the API = 100)
[ in ] <b>varRenumberBay</b>	Boolean parameter to specify whether to use a user-specified starting number of the members generated in each newly generated bay (1/True = Renumber, 0/True = Otherwise)
[ in ] <b>varRenumberArray</b>	Array of Long to specify starting member numbers for each newly generated bays (size of array = varNoBays). Can be specified as null if varRenumberBay is 0 or FALSE
[ in ] <b>varGeometryOnly</b>	Boolean parameter to specify whether only geometry data is to be copied (1/True = Copy geometry only, 0/False = Copy all)

### Return values

- 1** Translational Repeat operation is successful.
- 0** Translational Repeat operation is unsuccessful.

### VBA Syntax

```
'Do translational repeat on selected members
Dim spacingArr(1) As Double
spacingArr(0) = 10
spacingArr(1) = 12
Dim retVal As Variant
retVal = objOpenStaad.Geometry.DoTranslationalRepeat(1, 1, 3, spacingArr, 2, 0, Null, 0)
```

## ◆ GetFlagForHiddenEntities()

VARIANT OSGeometryUI::GetFlagForHiddenEntities ( )

private

Gets flag specified for consideration of hidden entities (nodes and plates) while getting count or list of those entities.

### Return values

**nFlagValue** Consider All entities = 0 (Default option), Ignore Hidden entities = 1, Only hidden entities = 2

### C++ Syntax

```
//Gets flag for consideration of hidden entities
long RetVal = OSGeometryUI::GetFlagForHiddenEntities();
```

### VBA Syntax

```
'Gets flag for consideration of hidden entities
Dim rValue As Long
rValue = objOpenStaad.Geometry.GetFlagForHiddenEntities()
```

### See also

[OSGeometryUI::SetFlagForHiddenEntities](#)

[OSGeometryUI::GetNodeCount](#)

[OSGeometryUI::GetPlateCount](#)

[OSGeometryUI::GetNodeList](#)

[OSGeometryUI::GetPlateList](#)

## ◆ HasHiddenEntities()

## VARIANT OSGeometryUI::HasHiddenEntities ( )

private

Returns whether there are hidden plates in the model.

### Return values

**1** Hidden plates are available

**0** There are no hidden plates in the model

### C++ Syntax

```
long RetVal = OSGeometryUI::HasHiddenEntities();
```

### VBA Syntax

```
Dim rValue As Long  
rValue = objOpenStaad.Geometry.HasHiddenEntities()
```

### See also

[OSGeometryUI::SetFlagForHiddenEntities](#)

[OSGeometryUI::GetFlagForHiddenEntities](#)

## ◆ SetFlagForHiddenEntities()

void OSGeometryUI::SetFlagForHiddenEntities ( const VARIANT FAR & nFlagValue )

private

Sets flag for consideration of hidden entities (nodes and plates) while getting count or list of those entities.

### Parameters

[in] **nFlagValue** Consider All entities = 0 (Default option), Ignore Hidden entities = 1, Only hidden entities = 2

### C++ Syntax

```
//Set flag to consider all entities  
OSGeometryUI::SetFlagForHiddenEntities(0);
```

### VBA Syntax

```
'Set flag to ignore hidden entities  
objOpenStaad.Geometry.SetFlagForHiddenEntities(1)
```

### See also

[OSGeometryUI::GetFlagForHiddenEntities](#)

[OSGeometryUI::GetNodeCount](#)

[OSGeometryUI::GetPlateCount](#)

[OSGeometryUI::GetNodeList](#)

[OSGeometryUI::GetPlateList](#)

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