Genworks GDL: A User's Manual

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Welcome

Congratulations on your decision to work with Genworks $^{\textcircled{R}}$ GDL^{\bowtie 1}. By investing time to learn this system you will be investing in your future productivity and, in the process, you will be joining a quiet revolution. Although you may have come to Genworks GDL because of an interest in 3D modeling or mechanical engineering, you will find that a whole new world, and a unique approach to *computing*, will now be at your fingertips as well.

1.2 Knowledge Base Concepts According to Genworks

You may have an idea about Knowledge Base Systems, or Knowledge Based Systems, from college textbooks or corporate marketing literature, and concluded that the concepts were too broad to be of practical use. Or you may have heard criticisms implicit in the pretentious-sounding name, "Knowledge-based Engineering," as in: "you mean as opposed to Ignorance-based Engineering?"

To provide a clearer picture, we hope you will concur that Genworks' concept of a KB system is straightforward, relatively uncomplicated, and practical. In this manual our goal is to make you both comfortable and motivated to explore the ideas we have built into our flagship system, Genworks GDL.

Our informal definition of a *Knowledge Base System* is a hybrid *Object-Oriented*² and *Functional*³ programming environment, which implements the features of *Caching* and *Dependency tracking*. Caching means that once the KB system has computed something, it generally will not

¹From time to time, you will also see references to "Gendl." This refers to "The Gendl Project" which is the name of an open-source software project from which Genworks GDL draws for its core technology. "The Gendl Project" code is free to use for any purpose, but it is released under the Gnu Affero General Public License, which stipulates that applications code compiled with The Gendl Project compiler must be distributed as open-source under a compatible license (if distributed at all). Commercial Genworks GDL, properly licensed for development and/or runtime distribution, does not have this "copyleft" open-sourcing requirement.

²An *Object-Oriented* programming environment supports named collections of values along with procedures to operate on those values, including the possibility to modify ("mutate") the data. See https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Object-oriented_programming

³A pure *Functional* programming environment supports only the evaluation of Functions which work by computing results, but do not modify (i.e. "mutate") the in-memory state of any objects. See http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Functional_programming

need to repeat that computation if the same question is asked again. Dependency tracking is the flip side of that coin — it ensures that if a cached result is *stale*, the result will be recomputed the next time it is *demanded*, in order to give a fresh result.

1.3 Classic Definition of Knowledge Based Engineering (KBE)

Sections 1.3 through 1.8 are sourced from [1].

Knowlege based engineering (KBE) is a technology predicated on the use of dedicated software tools called KBE systems, which are able to capture and systematically re-use product and process engineering knowledge, with the final goal of reducing the time and costs of product development by means of the following:

- Automation of repetitive and non-creative design tasks;
- Support of multidisciplinary design optimization in all phases of the design process

1.4 Runtime Value Caching and Dependency Tracking

Caching refers to the ability of the KBE system to memorize at runtime the results of computed values (e.g. computed slots and instantiated objects), so that they can be reused when required, without the need to re-compute them again and again, unless necessary. The dependency tracking mechanism serves to keep track of the current validity of the cached values. As soon as these values are no longer valid (stale), they are set to unbound and recomputed if and only at the very moment they are again demanded.

This dependency tracking mechanism is at the base of associative modeling, which is of extreme interest for engineering design applications. For example, the shape of a wing rib can be defined according to the shape of the wing aerodynamic surface. In case the latter is modified, the dependency tracking mechanism will notify the system that the given rib instance is no longer valid and will be eliminated from the product tree, together with all the information (objects and attributes) depending on it. The new rib object, including its attributes and the rest of the affected information, will not be re-instantiated/updated/re-evaluated automatically, but only when and if needed (see demand driven instantiation in the next section)

1.5 Demand-Driven Evaluation

KBE systems use the *demand-driven* approach. That is, they evaluate only those chains of expressions required to satisfy a direct request of the user (i.e. the evaluation of certain attributes for the instantiation of an object), or the indirect requests of another object, which is trying to satisfy a user demand. For example, the system will create an instance of the rib object only when the weight of the abovementioned wing rib is required. The reference wing surface will be generated only when the generation of the

rib object is required, and so on, until all the information required to respond to the user request will be made available.

It should be recognized that a typical object tree can be structured in hundreds of branches and include thousands of attributes. Hence, the ability to evaluate *specific* attributes and product model branches at demand, without the need to evaluate the entire model from its root, prevents waste of computational resources and in many cases brings seemingly intractible problems to a rapid solution.

1.6 Object-oriented Systems

An object-oriented system is composed of objects (i.e. concrete instantiations of named classes), and the behavior of the system results from the collaboration of those objects. Collaboration between objects involves them sending messages to each other. Sending a message differs from calling a function in the sense that when a target object receives a message, it decides on its own what function to carry out to service that message. The same message may be implemented by many different functions, the one selected depending on the current state of the target object.

1.7 Object-oriented Analysis

Object-oriented analysis (OOA) is the process of analyzing a task (also known as a problem domain) to develop a conceptual model that can then be used to complete that task. A typical OOA model would describe computer software that could be used to satisfy a set of customer-defined requirements. During the analysis phase of problem-solving, the analyst might consider a Written Requirements Statement, a formal vision document, or interviews with stakeholders or other interested parties. The task to be addressed might be divided into several subtasks (or domains), each representing a different business, technological, or other area of interest. Each subtask would be analyzed separately. Implementation constraints (e.g. concurrency, distribution, persistence, or how the system is to be built) are not considered during the analysis phase; rather, they are addressed during the object-oriented design (OOD) phase.

The conceptual model that results from OOA will typically consist of a set of use cases, one or more UML class diagrams, and a number of interaction diagrams. It may also include some form of user interface.

1.8 Object-oriented Design

During the object-oriented design (OOD) phase, a developer applies implementation constraints to the conceptual model produced in the object-oriented analysis. Such constraints could include not only those imposed by the chosen architecture but also any non-functional — technological or environmental — constraints, such as data processing capacity, response time, run-time platform, development environment, or those inherent in the programming language. Concepts in the analysis model are mapped

onto implementation classes and interfaces resulting in a model of the solution domain, i.e., a detailed description of *how* the system is to be built.

1.9 The Object-Oriented Paradigm meets the Functional paradigm

In order to model very complex products and efficiently manage large bodies of knowledge, KBE systems tap the potential of the object oriented nature of their underlying language (e.g. Common Lisp). "Object" in this context refers to an instantiated data structure of a particular assigned data type. As is well-known in the computing community, unrestricted modification of the state of objects leads to unmaintainable systems which are difficult to debug. KBE systems manage this drawback by strictly controlling and constraining any ability to modify or "change state" of objects.

In essence, a KBE system generates a tree of inspectable objects which is analogous to the function call tree of pure functional-language systems.

1.10 Goals for this Manual

This manual is designed as a companion to a live two-hour GDL/GWL tutorial, but you may also be relying on it independently of the tutorial. Portions of the live tutorial are available in "screencast" video form, in the Documentation section of http://genworks.com In any case, our fundamental goals of this Manual are:

- To get you motivated about using Genworks GDL
- Enable you to ascertain whether Genworks GDL is an appropriate tool for a given job
- Equip you with the ability to state the case for using GDL/GWL when appropriate
- Prepare you to begin authoring and maintaining GDL applications, or porting apps from similar KB systems into GDL.

The manual will begin with an introduction to the Common Lisp programming language. If you are new to Common Lisp: welcome! You are about to be introduced to a powerful tool backed by a rock-solid body of standard specifications, which will protect your development investment for decades to come. In addition to the overview provided in this manual, many resources are available to get you started in CL — for starters, we recommend <u>Basic Lisp Techniques</u>⁴, which was written by the author.

1.11 What is GDL?

GDL is an acronym for "General-purpose Declarative Language."

• GDL is a superset of ANSI Common Lisp, and consists largely of automatic code-expanding extensions to Common Lisp implemented in the form of macros. When you write, for example,

⁴ BLT is available at http://www.franz.com/resources/educational_resources/cooper.book.pdf

20 lines in GDL, you might be writing the equivalent of 200 lines of Common Lisp. Given that GDL is a superset of Common Lisp, you of course retain the full power of the CL language at your disposal whenever you are working in GDL.

- Since GDL expands into CL, everything you write in GDL will be compiled "down to the metal" to machine code with all the optimizations and safety that the tested-and-true CL compiler provides [this is an important distinction from some other so-called KB systems on the market, which are essentially nothing more than interpreted scripting languages which often impose arbitrary limits on the size and complexity of the application].
- GDL is also a *declarative* language in the fullest sense. When you put together a GDL application, you think and write mainly in terms of *objects* and their properties, and how they depend on one another in a direct sense. You do not have to track in your mind explicitly how one object or property will "call" another object or propery, in what order this will happen, and so forth. Those details are managed automatically by the embedded language.
- Because GDL is object-oriented, you have all the features you would normally expect from an object-oriented language, such as
 - Separation between the definition of an object and an instance of an object
 - High levels of data abstraction
 - The ability for one object to "inherit" from others
 - The ability to "use" an object without concern for its "under-the-hood" complexities
- GDL supports the "message-passing" paradigm of object orientation, with some extensions. Since full-blown ANSI CLOS (Common Lisp Object System) is always available as well, you are free to use the Generic Function paradigm. Do not be concerned at this point if you are not fully conversant with the differences between Message Passing and Generic Function models of object-orientation.⁵.

1.12 Why GDL (i.e., what is GDL good for?)

- Organizing and integrating large amounts of information in ways which are impossible or impractical using conventional languages, CAD systems, and/or database technology alone;
- Evaluating many design or engineering alternatives and performing various kinds of optimizations within specified design spaces, and doing so *very rapidly*;
- Capturing, i.e., implementing, the procedures and rules used to solve repetitive tasks in engineering and other fields;
- Applying rules you have specified to achieve intermediate and final outputs, which may include virtual models of wireframe, surface, and solid geometric objects.

⁵See Paul Graham's <u>ANSI Common Lisp</u>, page 192, for an excellent discussion of the Two Models of Object-oriented Programming. Peter Siebel's <u>Practical Common Lisp</u> also covers the topic; see http://www.gigamonkeys.com/book/object-reorientation-generic-functions.html.

1.13 What GDL is not

- A CAD system (although it may operate on and/or generate geometric entities);
- A drawing program (although it may operate on and/or generate geometric entities);
- An Artificial Intelligence system (although it is an excellent environment for developing capabilities which could qualify as such);
- An Expert System Shell (although one could be easily embedded within it).

Without further description, let's turn the page and get started with hands-on GDL...

Chapter 2

Installation [GDL and Gendl]

Please follow Section 2.1 if your email address is registered with Genworks and you will install a pre-packaged Genworks GDL distribution, including its own Common Lisp engine. The foundation of Genworks GDL is also available as open-source software through The Gendl Project¹; if you elect to use that version, then please refer to Section 2.2.

2.1 Installation of pre-packaged GDL

This section will take you through the installation of Genworks GDL from a prepackaged distribution with the Allegro CL or LispWorks commercial Common Lisp engine and the Slime IDE (based on Gnu Emacs).

2.1.1 Download the Software and retrieve a license key

- 1. Visit the Downloads section of the Genworks Website;
- 2. Enter your email address²;
- 3. Download the latest Payload for Windows, Linux, or Mac;
- 4. Click to receive the license key file by email.

2.1.2 Unpack the Distribution

Genworks GDL is currently distributed as a setup executable for Windows, a "dmg" application bundle for Mac, and a self-contained zip file for Linux.

- Run the installation executable. Accept the defaults when prompted.³
- Copy the license key file as gdl.lic (for Trial, Student, Professional editions), or devel.lic (for Enterprise edition) into the program/ directory within the gdl/gdl/program/ directory.

¹http://github.com/genworks/gendl

²if your address is not on file, send mail to licensing@genworks.com

³For Linux, you have to install emacs and ghostscript yourself. Please use your distribution's package manager to complete this installation.

• Launch the application by finding the Genworks program group in the Start menu (Windows), or by double-clicking the application icon (Mac), or by running the run-gdl script (Linux).

2.2 Installation of open-source Gendl

This section is only germane if you have not received a pre-packaged Gendl or Genworks GDL distribution with its own Common Lisp engine. If you have received a pre-packaged Gendl distribution then you may skip this section. In case you want to use the open-source Gendl, you will use your own Common Lisp installation and obtain Gendl (Genworks-GDL) using a powerful and convenient CL package/library manager called *Quicklisp*.

2.2.1 Install and Configure your Common Lisp environment

Gendl is currently tested to build on the following Common Lisp engines:

- Allegro CL (commercial product from Franz Inc, free Express Edition available)
- LispWorks (commercial product from LispWorks Ltd, free Personal Edition available)
- Clozure CL (free CL engine from Clozure Associates, free for all use)
- Steel Bank Common Lisp (SBCL) (free open-source project with permissive license)

Please refer to the documentation for each of these systems for full information on installing and configuring the environment. Typically this will include a text editor, either Gnu Emacs with Superior Lisp Interaction Mode for Emacs (Slime), or a built-in text editing and development environment which comes with the Common Lisp system.

A convenient way to set up Emacs with Slime is to use the Quicklisp-slime-helper.

2.2.2 Load and Configure Quicklisp

Quicklisp is the defacto standard library manager for Common Lisp.

- Visit the Quicklisp website
- Follow the instructions there to download the quicklisp.lisp bootstrap file and load it to set up your Quicklisp environment.

2.2.3 Load and Start Gendl

invoke the following commands at the Common Lisp toplevel "repl" prompt:

- 1. (ql:quickload :gendl)
- 2. (gendl:start-gendl!)



Figure 2.1: Robot displayed in Tasty

2.3 System Testing

2.3.1 Basic Sanity Test

You may test your installation using the following checklist. These tests are optional. You may perform some or all of them in order to ensure that your Gendl is installed correctly and running smoothly. In your Web Browser (e.g. Google Chrome, Firefox, Safari, Opera, Internet Explorer), perform the following steps:

- 1. visit http://localhost:9000/tasty.
- 2. accept default robot:assembly.
- 3. Select "Add Leaves" from the Tree menu.
- 4. Click on the top node in the tree.
- 5. Observe the wireframe graphics for the robot as shown in 2.1.
- 6. Click on the robot to zoom in.
- 7. Select "Clear View!" from the View menu.
- 8. Select "X3DOM" from the View menu.
- 9. Click on the top node in the tree.
- 10. "Refresh" or "Reload" your browser window (may not be necessary).

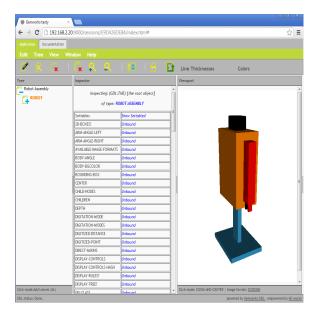


Figure 2.2: Robot x3dom

- 11. If your browser supports WebGL, you will see the robot in shaded dynamic view as shown in Figure 2.2.
- 12. Select "PNG" from the View menu. You will see the wireframe view of the robot as a PNG image.
- 13. Select "X3D" from the View menu. If your browser has an X3D plugin installed (e.g. BS Contact), you will see the robot in a shaded dynamic view.

2.3.2 Full Regression Test

The following commands will invoke a full regression test, including a test of the Surface and Solids primitives provided by the SMLib geometry kernel. Note that the SMLib geometry kernel is only available with proprietary Genworks GDL licenses — therefore, if you have open-source Gendl or a lite Trial version of Genworks GDL, these regression tests will not all function.

In Emacs at the gdl-user prompt in the *slime-repl...* buffer, type the following commands:

- 1. (ql:quickload :regression)
- 2. (gdl-lift-utils::define-regression-tests)
- 3. (gdl-lift-utils::run-regression-tests-pass-fail)
- 4. (pprint gdl-lift-utils::*regression-test-report*)

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2.4 Getting Help and Support

If you encounter unexplained errors in the installation and startup process, please contact the following resources:

- 1. Make a posting to the Genworks Google Group
- 2. Join the #gendl IRC (Internet Relay Chat) channel on irc.freenode.net and discuss issues there.
- 3. For exclusively Common Lisp issues, join the #lisp IRC (Internet Relay Chat) channel on irc.freenode.net and discuss issues there.
- 4. Also for Common Lisp issues, follow the comp.lang.lisp Usenet group.
- 5. If you are a supported Genworks customer, send email to support@genworks.com
- 6. If you are not a supported Genworks customer but you want to report an apparent bug or have other suggestions or inquiries, you may also send email to support@genworks.com, but as a non-customer please understand that Genworks cannot guarantee a response or a particular time frame for a response. Also note that we are not able to offer guaranteed support for Trial and Student licenses

Chapter 3

Basic Operation of the GDL Environment

This chapter will lead you through all the basic steps of operating a typical GDL-based development environment. We will not in this section go into particular depth about the additional features of the environment or language syntax — this chapter is merely to familiarize you with, and start you practicing with the nuts and bolts of operating the environment with a keyboard.

3.1 What is Different about GDL?

GDL is a *dynamic* language environment with incremental compiling and in-memory definitions. This means that as long as the system is running you can *compile* new *definitions* of functions, objects, etc, and they will immediately become available as part of the running system, and you can begin testing them immediately, or update an existing set of objects to observe their new behavior.

In many other programming language systems, to introduce a new function or object, one has to start the system from the beginning and reload all the files in order to test new functionality.

In GDL, it is typical to keep the same development session up and running for an entire day or longer, making it unnecessary to repeatedly recompile and reload your definitions from scratch. Note, however, that if you do shut down and restart the system for some reason, then you will have to recompile and/or reload your application's definitions in order to bring the system back into a state where it can instantiate (or "run") your application.

While this can be done manually at the command-line, it is typically done *automatically* in one of two ways:

- 1. Using commands placed into the gdlinit.cl initialization file, as described in Section 3.4.
- 2. Alternatively, you can compile and load definitions into your session, then save the "world" in that state. That way it is possible to start a new GDL "world" which already has all your application's definitions loaded and ready for use, without having to procedurally reload any files. You can then begin to make and test new definitions (and re-definitions) starting from this new "world." You can think of a saved "world" like pre-made cookie dough: no need to add each ingredient one by one just start making cookies!

3.2 Startup, "Hello, World!" and Shutdown

The typical GDL environment consists of three programs:

- 1. Gnu Emacs (the editor);
- 2. a Common Lisp engine with GDL system loaded or built into it (e.g. the gdl.exe executable in your program/ directory); and
- 3. (optionally) a web browser such as Firefox, Google Chrome, Safari, Opera, or Internet Explorer

Emacs runs as the main *process*, and this in turn starts the CL engine with GDL as a *sub-process*. The CL engine typically runs an embedded *webserver*, enabling you to access your application through a standard web browser.

As described in Chapter ??, the typical way to start a pre-packaged GDL environment is with the run-gdl.bat (Windows), or run-gdl (MacOS, Linux) script files, or with the installed Start program item (Windows) or application bundle (MacOS). Invoke this script file from the Start menu (Windows), your computer's file manager, or from a desktop shortcut if you have created one. Your installation executable may also have created a Windows "Start" menu item for Genworks GDL. You can of course also invoke run-gdl.bat from the Windows "cmd" command-line, or from another command shell such as Cygwin.¹

3.2.1 Startup

Startup of a typical GDL development session consists of two fundamental steps: (1) starting the Emacs editing environment, and (2) starting the actual GDL process as a "sub-process" or "inferior" process within Emacs. The GDL process should automatically establish a network connection back to Emacs, allowing you to interact directly with the GDL process from within Emacs.

- 1. Invoke the run-gdl.bat, run-gdl.bat startup script, or the provided executable from the Start menu (windows) or application bundle (Mac).
- 2. You should see an emacs window similar to that shown in Figure 3.1. (alternative colors are also possible).
- 3. (MS Windows): Look for the Genworks GDL Console window, or (Linux, Mac) use the Emacs "Buffer" menu to visit the "*inferior-lisp*" buffer. Note that the Genworks GDL Console window might start as a minimized icon; click or double-click it to un-minimize.
- 4. Watch the Genworks GDL Console window for any errors. Depending on your specific installation, it may take from a few seconds to several minutes for the Genworks GDL Console (or *inferior-lisp* buffer) to settle down and give you a gdl-user(): prompt. This window is where you will see most of your program's textual output, any error messages, warnings, etc.

¹Cygwin is also useful as a command-line tool on Windows for interacting with a version control system like Subversion (syn).

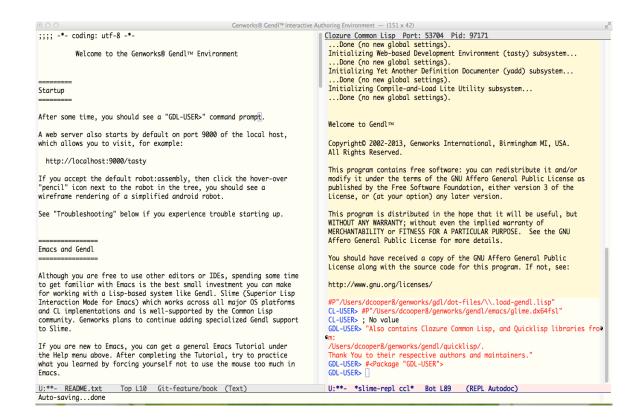


Figure 3.1: Startup of Emacs with GDL

- 5. In Emacs, type: C-x & (or select Emacs menu item Buffers→*slime-repl...*) to visit the "*slime-repl ...*" buffer. The full name of this buffer depends on the specific CL/GDL platform which you are running. This buffer contains an interactive prompt, labeled gdl-user>, where you will enter most of your commands to interact with your running GDL session for testing, debugging, etc. There is also a web-based graphical interactive environment called tasty which will be discussed in Chapter 6.
- 6. To ensure that the GDL command prompt is up and running, type: (+ 2 3) and press [Enter].
- 7. You should see the result 5 echoed back to you below the prompt.

3.2.2 Developing and Testing a "Hello World" application

- 1. type C-x (Control-x) 2, or C-x 3, or use the "Split Screen" option of the File menu to split the Emacs frame into two "windows" ("windows" in Emacs are non-overlapping panels, or rectangular areas within the main Emacs window).
- 2. type C-x o several times to move from one window to the other, or move the mouse cursor and click in each window. Notice how the blinking insertion point moves from one window to the other.
- 3. In the top (or left) window, type C-x C-f (or select Emacs menu item "File→Open File") to get the "Find file" prompt in the mini-buffer.
- 4. Type C-a to move the point to the beginning of the mini-buffer line.
- 5. Type C-k to delete from the point to the end of the mini-buffer.
- 6. Type ~/hello.gdl and press [Enter]
- 7. You are now editing a (presumably new) file of GDL code, located in your HOME directory, called hello.gdl
- 8. Enter the text from Figure 3.2 into the hello.gdl buffer. You do not have to match the line breaks and whitespace as shown in the example. You can auto-indent each new line by pressing [TAB] after pressing [Enter] for the newline.
 - Protip: You can also try using C-j instead of [Enter], which will automatically give a newline and auto-indent.
- 9. type C-x C-s (or choose Emacs menu item $File \rightarrow Save$) to save the contents of the buffer (i.e. the window) to the file in your HOME directory.
- 10. type C-c C-k (or choose Emacs menu item *SLIME→Compilation→Compile/Load File*) to compile & load the code from this file.
- 11. type C-c o (or move and click the mouse) to switch to the bottom window.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object hello ()
   :computed-slots
   ((greeting "Hello, World!")))
```

Figure 3.2: Example of Simple Object Definition

- 12. In the bottom window, type C-x & (or choose Emacs menu item Buffers→*slime-repl...*) to get the *slime-repl ...* buffer, which should contain a gdl-user> prompt. This is where you normally type interactive GDL commands.
- 13. If necessary, type M > (that is, hold down Meta (Alt), Shift, and the ">" key) to move the insertion point to the end of this buffer.
- 14. At the gdl-user> prompt, type

```
(make-self 'hello)
and press [Enter].
15. At the gdl-user> prompt, type
  (the greeting)
and press [Enter].
```

16. You should see the words Hello, World! echoed back to you below the prompt.

3.2.3 Shutdown

To shut down a development session gracefully, you should first shut down the GDL process, then shut down your Emacs.

- Type M-x quit-gdl (that is, hold Alt and press X, then release both while you type quit-gdl in the mini-buffer), then press [Enter]
- alternatively, you can type C-x & (that is, hold Control and press X, then release both while you type &. This will visit the *slime-repl* buffer. Now type: , q to quit the GDL session.
- Finally, type C-x C-c to quit from Emacs. Emacs will prompt you to save any modified buffers before exiting.

```
apps/yoyodyne/booster-rocket/source/assembly.gdl
apps/yoyodyne/booster-rocket/source/package.gdl
apps/yoyodyne/booster-rocket/source/parameters.gdl
apps/yoyodyne/booster-rocket/source/rules.gdl
```

Figure 3.3: Example project directory with four source files

```
apps/yoyodyne/booster-rocket/source/assembly.gdl
apps/yoyodyne/booster-rocket/source/file-ordering.isc
apps/yoyodyne/booster-rocket/source/package.gdl
apps/yoyodyne/booster-rocket/source/parameters.gdl
apps/yoyodyne/booster-rocket/source/rules.gdl
```

Figure 3.4: Example project directory with file ordering configuration file

3.3 Working with Projects

GDL contains utilities which allow you to treat your application as a "project," with the ability to compile, incrementally compile, and load a "project" from a directory tree of source files representing your project. In this section we provide an overview of the expected directory structure and available control files, followed by a reference for each of the functions included in the bootstrap module.

3.3.1 Directory Structure

You should structure your applications in a modular fashion, with the directories containing actual Lisp sources called "source." You may have subdirectories which themselves contain "source" directories. We recommend keeping your codebase directories relatively flat, however.

In Figure 3.3 is an example application directory, with four source files.

3.3.2 Source Files within a source/ subdirectory

Enforcing Ordering

Within a source subdirectory, you may have a file called file-ordering.isc² to enforce a certain ordering of the files. Here are the contents of an example for the above application:

```
("package" "parameters")
```

This will force package.lisp to be compiled/loaded first, and parameters.lisp to be compiled/loaded next. The ordering on the rest of the files should not matter (although it will default to lexigraphical ordering).

Now our sample application directory appears as in Figure 3.4.

²isc stands for "Intelligent Source Configuration"

3.3.3 Generating an ASDF System

ASDF stands for Another System Definition Facility, which is the predominant system in use for Common Lisp third-party libraries. With GDL, you can use the :create-asd-file? keyword argument to make cl-lite generate an ASDF system file instead of actually compiling and loading the system. For example:

```
(cl-lite "apps/yoyodyne/" :create-asd-file? t)
```

In order to include a depends-on clause in your ASDF system file, create a file called depends-on.isc in the toplevel directory of your system. In this file, place a list of the systems your system depends on. This can be systems from your own local projects, or from third-party libraries. For example, if your system depends on the :cl-json third-party library, you would have the following contents in your depends-on.isc:

(:cl-json)

3.3.4 Compiling and Loading a System

Once you have generated an ASDF file, you can compile and load the system using Quicklisp. To do this for our example, follow these steps:

1. (cl-lite "apps/yoyodyne/" :create-asd-file? t)

to generate the asdf file for the yoyodyne system. This only has to be done once after every time you add, remove, or rename a file or folder from the system.

2. (pushnew "apps/yoyodyne/" ql:*local-project-directories* :test #'equalp)

This can be done in your gdlinit.cl for projects you want available during every development session. Note that you should include the full path prefix for the directory containing the ASDF system file.

3. (ql:quickload :gdl-yoyodyne)

This will compile and load the actual system. Quicklisp uses ASDF at the low level to compile and load the systems, and Quicklisp will retrieve any depended-upon third-party libraries from the Internet on-demand. Source files will be compiled only if the corresponding binary (fasl) file does not exist or is older than the source file. By default, ASDF keeps its binary files in a cache directory, separated according to the CL platform and operating system. The location of this cache is system-dependent, but you can see where it is by observing the compile and load process.

3.4 Customizing your Environment

You may customize your environment in several different ways, for example by loading definitions and settings into your GDL "world" automatically when the system starts, and by specifying fonts, colors, and default buffers (to name a few) for your emacs editing environment.

3.5 Saving the World

"Saving the world" refers to a technique of saving a complete binary image of your GDL "world" which contains all the currently compiled and loaded definitions and settings. This allows you to start up a saved world almost instantly, without being required to reload all the definitions. You can then incrementally compile and load just the particular definitions which you are working on for your development session.

To save a world, follow these steps:

1. Load the base GDL code and (optionally) code for GDL modules (e.g. gdl-yadd, gdl-tasty) you want to be in your saved image. Note that in some implementations, this has step to be done in a plain session without multiprocessing (i.e. without an Emacs connection) - so you would do this loading step from a command shell e.g. Windows cmd prompt. For example:

```
(ql:quickload :gdl-yadd)
(ql:quickload :gdl-tasty)
```

2. (needed only for full GDL):

```
(ff:unload-foreign-library (merge-pathnames "smlib.dll" "sys:smlib;"))
```

- 3. (net.aserve:shutdown)
- 4. (to save an image named yoyodyne.dxl) Invoke the command

```
(ensure-directories-exist "~/gdl-images/")
(uiop:dump-image dumplisp "~/gdl-images/yoyodyne")
```

Note that the standard extension for Allegro CL images is .dxl. Prepend the file name with path information, to write the image to a specific location.

3.6 Starting up a Saved World

In order to start up GDL using a custom saved image, or "world," follow these steps

- 1. Exit GDL
- 2. Copy the supplied image file, e.g.gdl.dxl to gdl-orig.dxl.
- 3. Move the custom saved dxl image to gdl.dxl in the GDL application "program/" directory.
- 4. Start GDL as usual. Note: you may have to edit the system gdlinit.cl or your home gdlinit.cl to stop it from loading redundant code which is already in the saved image.

Chapter 4

Understanding Common Lisp

GDL is a superset of Common Lisp (CL) — that is, all of CL is available to you during development, and is available to your applications at runtime (i.e. after they are deployed). The lowest-level expressions in a GDL definition are CL "symbolic expressions," or "S-expressions." This chapter will familiarize you with CL S-expressions.

4.1 S-expression Fundamentals

S-expressions can be used in a similar manner to Formulas in a Spreadsheet to establish the value of a particular *slot* (i.e. named data value) in an object. However, unlike in a spreadsheet, these values are only computed on an as-needed basis (i.e. "on-demand"). You can also evaluate S-expressions at the toplevel gdl-user> prompt, and see the result immediately. In fact, this toplevel prompt is called a *read-eval-print* loop, because its purpose is to *read* each S-expression entered, *evaluate* the expression to yield a result (or *return-value*), and finally to *print* that result.

CL S-expressions use a *prefix* notation, which means that they consist of either an *atom* (e.g. number, text string, symbol) or a *list* (one or more items enclosed by parentheses, where the first item is taken as a symbol which names an operator). Here is an example:

(+22)

This expression consists of the function named by the symbol +, followed by the numeric arguments 2 and another 2. As you may have suspected, when this expression is evaluated it will return the value 4. Try it: try typing this expression at your command prompt, and see the return-value being printed on the console. What is actually occurring here? When CL is asked to evaluate an expression, it processes the expression according to the following rules:

• If the expression is an *atom* (e.g. a non-list datatype such as a number, text string, or literal symbol), it simply returns itself as its evaluated value. Examples:

```
- gdl-user> 99
    99
- gdl-user> 99.9
    99.9
```

```
- gdl-user> 3/5
3/5
- gdl-user> "Bob"
  "Bob"
- gdl-user> "Our golden rule is simplicity"
  "Our golden rule is simplicity"
- gdl-user> 'my-symbol
  my-symbol
```

Note that numbers are represented directly (with decimal points and slashes for fractions allowed), strings are surrounded by double-quotes, and literal symbols are introduced with a preceding single-quote. Symbols are allowed to have dashes ("-") and most other special characters. By convention, the dash is used as a word separator in CL symbols.

• If the expression is a *list* (i.e. is surrounded by parentheses), CL processes the *first* element in this list as an *operator name*, and the *rest* of the elements in the list represent the *arguments* to the operator. An operator can take zero or more arguments, and can return zero or more return-values. Some operators evaluate their arguments immediately and work directly on those values (these are called *functions*). Other operators expand into other code. These are called *special operators* or *macros*. Macros are what give Lisp (and CL in particular) its special power. Here are some examples of functional S-expressions:

```
- gdl-user> (expt 2 5)
32
- gdl-user> (+ 2 5)
7
- gdl-user> (+ 2)
2
- gdl-user> (+ (+ 2 2) (+ 3 3 ))
10
```

4.2 Fundamental CL Data Types

As has been noted, Common Lisp natively supports many data types¹ common to other languages, such as numbers and text strings. CL also contains several *compound* data types such as lists, arrays, and hash tables. CL contains *symbols* as well, which typically are used as names for other data elements.

Regarding data types, CL follows a system called dynamic typing. Basically this means that values have type, but variables do not necessarily have type, and typically variables are not "predeclared" to be of a particular type. For example, a variable (or slot name in GDL) called length could contain a value 42 (an integer), 42.43 (a floating-point number), 3/16 (a rational number), or even :long (a descriptive keyword symbol).

 $^{^1}$ See http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data_type for a more detailed discussion of what is meant by "data types" in this context.

4.2.1 Numbers

As observed, numbers in CL are a native data type which simply evaluate to themselves when entered at the toplevel or included in an expression.

Numbers in CL form a hierarchy of types, which includes Integers, Ratios, Floating Point, and Complex numbers. For many purposes, you only need to think of a value as a "number" without getting any more specific than that. Most arithmetic operations, such as +, -, *, / etc, will automatically do any necessary type-coercion on their arguments and will return a number of the appropriate type.

CL supports a full range of floating-point decimal numbers, as well as true Ratios, which means that, for example, 1/3 is a true one-third, not 0.333333333 rounded off at some arbitrary precision short of infinity.

4.2.2 Strings

Strings are actually a specialized kind of array, namely a one-dimensional array (vector) made up of text characters. These characters can be letters, numbers, or punctuation, and in some cases can include characters from international character sets (e.g. Unicode or UTF-8) such as Chinese Hanzi or Japanese Kanji. The string delimiter in CL is the double-quote character.

Text strings in CL are a native data type which simply evaluate to themselves when included in an expression.

A common way to produce a string in CL is with the format function. Although the format function can be used to send output to any kind of destination, or *stream*, it will simply yield a string if you specify nil for the stream. Example:

```
gdl-user> (format nil "The time is: ~a" (get-universal-time))
"The time is: 3564156603"
gdl-user> (format nil "The time is: ~a" (iso-8601-date (get-universal-time)))
"The time is: 2012-12-10"
gdl-user> (format nil "The time is: ~a" (iso-8601-date (get-universal-time) :include-time? t))
"The time is: 2012-12-10T14:30:17"
```

As the above example demonstrates, format takes a *stream designator* or nil as its first argument, then a *format-string*, then enough arguments to match the *format directives* in the format-string. Format directives begin with the tilde character (). The format-directive a indicates that the printed representation of the corresonding argument should simply be substituted into the format-string at the point where it occurs.

We will cover more details on format in Section ?? on Input/Output, but for now, a familiarity with the simple use of (format nil ...) will be helpful for Chapter 5.

4.2.3 Symbols

Symbols are such an important data structure in CL that people sometimes refer to CL as a "Symbolic Computing Language." Symbols are a type of CL object which provides your program with a built-in capacity to store and retrieve values and functions, as well as being useful in their own right. A symbol is most often known by its name (actually a string), but in fact there is much more to a symbol than its name. In addition to the name, symbols also contain a function slot,

a value slot, and an open-ended property-list slot in which you can store an arbitrary number of named properties.

For a named function such as + the function-slot contains the actual function object for performing numeric addition. The value-slot of a symbol can contain any value, allowing the symbol to act as a global variable, or *parameter*. And the property-list, also known as the *plist* slot, can contain an arbitrary amount of information.

This separation of the symbol data structure into function, value, and plist slots is one fundamental distinction between Common Lisp and most other Lisp dialects. Most other dialects allow only one (1) "thing" to be stored in the symbol data structure, other than its name (e.g. either a function or a value, but not both at the same time). Because Common Lisp does not impose this restriction it is not necessary to contrive names, for example for your variables, to avoid conflicting with existing "reserved words" in the system. For example, list is the name of a built-in function in CL, but you may freely use list as a variable name as well. There is no need to contrive arbitrary abbreviations such as lst.

How symbols are evaluated depends on where they are located in an expression. As we have seen, if a *symbol* appears first in a list expression, as with the + in (+ 2 2), the symbol is evaluated for its function slot. If the first element of an expression indeed has an identified *function* in its function slot, then any subsequent symbol in the expression is taken as a variable, and it is evaluated for its global or local value, depending on its scope (more on variables and scope later).

As noted in Section 3.1.3, if you want a literal symbol itself, one way to achieve this is to "quote" the symbol name:

'a

Another way is for the symbol to appear within a quoted list expression, for example:

```
'(a b c)
or
'(a (b c) d)
```

Note that the quote (') applies across everything in the list expression, including any sub-expressions.

4.2.4 List Basics

Lisp derives its name from its strong support for the list data structure. The list concept is important to Common Lisp (CL) for more than this reason alone — most notably, lists are important because all CL programs are themselves lists.

Having the list as a native data structure, as well as the form of all programs, means that it is straightforward for CL programs to compute and generate other CL programs. Likewise, CL programs can read and manipulate other CL programs in a natural manner. This cannot be said of most other languages, and is one of the primary distinguishing characteristics of Lisp as a language.

Textually, a *list* is defined as zero or more items surrounded by parentheses. The items can be objects of any valid CL data types, such as numbers, strings, symbols, lists, or other kinds of objects. According to standard evaluation rules, you must quote a literal list to evaluate it as such, or CL will assume you are calling a *function*. Now look at the following list:

```
(defun hello () (write-string "Hello, World!"))
```

This list also happens to be a valid CL program (function definition, in this case). Don't concern yourself about analyzing the function definition right now, but do take a few moments to convince yourself that it meets the requirements for a list.

What are the types of the elements in this list?²

In addition to using the quote (') to produce a literal list, another way to produce a list is to call the function list. The function list takes any number of arguments, and returns a list made up from the result of evaluating each argument. As with all functions, the arguments to the list function get evaluated, from left to right, before being processed by the function. For example:

```
(list 'a 'b (+ 2 2))
```

will return the list

```
(a b 4)
```

The two quoted symbols evaluate to symbols, and the function call $(+\ 2\ 2)$ evaluates to the number 4

4.2.5 The List as a Data Structure

In this section we will discuss a few of the fundamental native CL operators for manipulating lists as data structures. These include operators for doing things such as:

- 1. finding the length of a list;
- 2. accessing particular members of a list;
- 3. appending multiple lists together to make a new list.

Finding the Length of a List

The function length will return the length of any type of sequence, including a list:

```
gdl-user> (length '(a b c d e f g h i j)
10
gdl-user> (length nil)
```

Note that nil qualifies as a list (albeit the empty list), so taking its length yields the integer 0.

²Answer: symbol, symbol, (empty) list, list with symbol and string.

Accessing the Elements of a List

Common Lisp defines the accessor functions first through tenth as a means of accessing the first ten elements in a list:

```
gdl-user> (first '(a b c))
a
gdl-user> (second '(a b c))
b
gdl-user> (third '(a b c))
```

For accessing elements in an arbitrary position in the list, you can use the function nth, which takes an integer and a list as its two arguments:

```
gdl-user> (nth 0 '(a b c))
a
gdl-user> (nth 1 '(a b c))
b
gdl-user> (nth 2 '(a b c))
c
```

Note that nth starts its indexing at zero (0), so (nth 0 ...) is equivalent to (first ...) and (nth 1 ...) is equivalent to (second ...), etc.

Using a List to Store and Retrieve Named Values

Lists can also be used to store and retrieve named values. When a list is used in this way, it is called a *plist*. Plists contain pairs of elements, where each pair consists of a *key* and some *value*. The key is typically an actual keyword symbol — that is, a symbol preceded by a colon (:). The value can be any value, such as a number, a string, or even a GDL object representing something complex such as an aircraft.

A plist can be constructed in the same manner as any list, e.g. with the list operator:

```
(list :a 10 :b 20 :c 30)
```

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In order to access any element in this list, you can use the getf operator. The getf operator is specially intended for use with plists:

```
gdl-user> (getf (list :a 10 :b 20 :c 30) :b
20
gdl-user> (getf (list :a 10 :b 20 :c 30) :c
30
```

Common Lisp contains several other data structures for mapping keywords or numbers to values, such as *arrays* and *hash tables*. But for relatively short lists, and especially for rapid prototyping and testing work, plists can be useful. Plists can also be written and read (i.e. saved and restored) to and from plain text files in your filesystem, in a very natural way.

Appending Lists

The function append takes any number of lists, and returns a new list which results from appending them together. Like many CL functions, append does not *side-effect*. That is, it simply returns a new list as a return-value, but does not modify its arguments in any way:

```
gdl-user> (defparameter my-slides '(introduction welcome lists functions))
(introduction welcome lists functions)

gdl-user> (append my-slides '(numbers))
(introduction welcome lists functions numbers)

gdl-user> my-slides
(introduction welcome lists functions)
```

Note that the simple call to append does not affect the variable my-slides. Later we will observe how one may alter the value of a variable such as my-slides.

4.3 Summary

In this chapter we have presented enough basics of Lisp's minimal syntax, and some particulars of Common Lisp, to enable you to start with the Genworks GDL framework. In keeping with the demand-driven philosophy of GDL, subsequent chapters will cover additional CL material on an as-needed basis.

Chapter 5

Understanding GDL — Core GDL Syntax

Now that you have a basic familiarity with Common Lisp syntax (or, more accurately, the *absence* of syntax), we will move directly into the Genworks GDL framework. By using GDL you can formulate most of your engineering and computing problems in a natural way, without becoming involved in the complexity of the Common Lisp Object System (CLOS).

As discussed in the previous chapter, GDL is based on and is a superset of ANSI Common Lisp. Because ANSI CL is unencumbered and is an open standard, with several commercial and free implementations, it is a good wager that applications written in it will continue to be usable for the balance of this century, and beyond. Many commercial products have a shelf life only until a new product comes along. Being based in ANSI Common Lisp ensures GDL's permanence.

[The GDL product is a commercially available KBE system with Proprietary licensing. The Gendl Project is an open-source Common Lisp library which contains the core language kernel of GDL, and is licensed under the terms of the Affero Gnu Public License. The core GDL language is a proposed standard for a vendor-neutral KBE language.]

5.1 Defining a Working Package

In Common Lisp, *packages* are a mechanism to separate symbols into namespaces. Using packages it is possible to avoid "naming" conflicts in large projects. Consider this analogy: in the United States, telephone numbers are preceded by a three-digit area code and then consist of a seven-digit number. The same seven-digit number can occur in two or more separate area codes, without causing a conflict.

The macro gdl:define-package is used to set up a new working package in GDL. Example:

(gdl:define-package :yoyodyne)

will establish a new package (i.e. "area code") called :yoyodyne which has all the GDL operators available.

The :gdl-user package is an empty, pre-defined package for your use if you do not wish to make a new package just for scratch work.

For real projects it is recommended that you make and work in your own GDL package, defined as above with gdl:define-package.

A Note for advanced users: Packages defined with gdl:define-package will implicitly use the :gdl package and the :common-lisp package, so you will have access to all exported symbols in these packages without prefixing them with their package name.

You may extend this behavior, by calling gdl:define-package and adding additional packages to use with (:use ...). For example, if you want to work in a package with access to GDL operators, Common Lisp operators, and symbols from the :cl-json package ¹, you could set it up as follows:

```
(ql:quickload :cl-json)
(gdl:define-package :yoyodyne (:use :cl-json))
```

The first form ensures that the cl-json code module is actually fetched and loaded. The second form defines a package with the :cl-json operators available to it.

5.2 Define-Object

Define-object is the basic macro for defining objects in GDL. An object definition maps directly into a Lisp (CLOS) class definition.

The define-object macro takes three basic arguments:

- a name, which is a symbol;
- a *mixin-list*, which is a list of symbols naming other objects from which the current object will inherit characteristics:
- a *specification-plist*, which is spliced in (i.e. doesn't have its own surrounding parentheses) after the mixin-list, and describes the object model by specifying properties of the object (messages, contained objects, etc.) The specification-plist typically makes up the bulk of the object definition.

Here are descriptions of the most common keywords making up the specification-plist:

input-slots specify information to be passed into the object instance when it is created.

computed-slots are actually cached methods, with expressions to compute and return a value.

objects specify other instances to be "contained" within this instance.

functions are (uncached) functions "of" the object, i.e. they operate just as normal CL functions, and accept arguments just like normal CL functions, with the added feature that you can also use *the* referencing, to refer to messages or reference chains which are available to the current object.

Figure 5.1: Example of Simple Object Definition

Figure 5.1 shows a simple example, which contains two input-slots, first-name and last-name, and a single computed-slot, greeting. A GDL Object is analogous in some ways to a CL defun, where the input-slots are like arguments to the function, and the computed-slots are like return-values. But seen another way, each slot in a GDL object serves as function in its own right.

The referencing macro the shadows CL's the (which is a seldom-used type declaration operator). The in GDL is a macro which is used to reference the value of other messages within the same object or within contained objects. In the above example, we are using the to refer to the values of the messages (input-slots) named first-name and last-name.

Note that messages used with the are given as symbols. These symbols are unaffected by the current Lisp *package*, so they can be specified either as plain unquoted symbols or as keyword symbols (i.e. preceded by a colon), and the the macro will process them appropriately.

5.3 Making Instances and Sending Messages

Once we have defined an object, such as the example above, we can use the constructor function make-object in order to create an *instance* of it. *Instance*, in this context, means a single occurence of the object with tangible values assigned to its input-slots. By way of analogy: an *object definition* is like a blueprint for a house; an *instance* is like an actual house. The make-object function is very similar to the CLOS make-instance function. Here we create an instance of hello with specified values for first-name and last-name (the required input-slots), and assign this instance as the value of the symbol my-instance:

Note that keyword symbols are used to "tag" the input values. And the return-value of *make-object* is an instance of class hello. Now that we have an instance, we can use the operator the-object to send messages to this instance:

¹CL-JSON is a free third-party library for handling JSON format, a common data format used for Internet applications.

```
GDL-USER(17): (the-object my-instance greeting)
"Hello, John Doe!!"
```

The-object is similar to the, but as its first argument it takes an expression which evaluates to an object instance. The, by contrast, assumes that the object instance is the lexical variable self, which is automatically set within the lexical context of a define-object.

Like the, the-object evaluates all but the first of its arguments as package-immune symbols, so although keyword symbols may be used, this is not a requirement, and plain, unquoted symbols will work just fine.

For convenience, you can also set self manually at the CL Command Prompt, and use the instead of the-object for referencing:

5.4 Objects

The :objects keyword specifies a list of "contained" instances, where each instance is considered to be a "child" object of the current object. Each child object is of a specified type, which itself must be defined with define-object before the child object can be instantiated.

Inputs to each instance are specified as a plist of keywords and value expressions, spliced in after the object's name and type specification. These inputs must match the inputs protocol (i.e. the input-slots) of the object being instantiated. Figure 5.2 shows an example of an object which contains some child objects. In this example, hotel and bank are presumed to be already (or soon to be) defined as objects themselves, which each answer the water-usage message. The reference chains:

```
(the hotel water-usage)
and
(the bank water-usage)
```

provide the mechanism to access messages within the child object instances.

These child objects become instantiated on demand, which means that the first time these instances, or any of their messages, are referenced, the actual instance will be created and cached for future reference.

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Figure 5.2: Object Containing Child Objects

```
(defparameter *presidents-data*
    '((:name
       "Carter"
       :term 1976)
      (:name "Reagan"
       :term 1980)
      (:name "Bush"
       :term 1988)
      (:name "Clinton"
       :term 1992)))
(define-object presidents-container ()
  :input-slots
  ((data *presidents-data*))
  :objects
  ((presidents :type 'president
               :sequence (:size (length (the data)))
               :name (getf (nth (the-child index) (the data)) :name)
               :term (getf (nth (the-child index) (the data)) :term))))
```

Figure 5.3: Sample Data and Object Definition to Contain U.S. Presidents

5.5 Sequences of Objects and Input-slots with a Default Expression

Objects may be *sequenced*, to specify, in effect, an array or list of object instances. The most common type of sequence is called a *fixed size* sequence. See Figure 5.3 for an example of an object which contains a sequenced set of instances representing successive U.S. presidents. Each member of the sequenced set is fed inputs from a list of plists, which simulates a relational database table (essentially a "list of rows").

Note the following from this example:

- In order to sequence an object, the input keyword :sequence is added, with a list consisting of the keyword :size followed by an expression which must evaluate to a number.
- In the input-slots, data is specified together with a default expression. Used this way, input-slots function as a hybrid of computed-slots and input-slots, allowing a default expression as with computed-slots, but allowing a value to be passed in on instantiation or from the parent, as with an input-slot which has no default expression. A passed-in value will override the default expression.

5.6 Summary

This chapter has provided an introduction to the core GDL syntax. As with any language, practice (that is, usage) makes perfect. The chapters that follow will cover more specialized aspects of the GDL language, introducing additional Common Lisp concepts as they are required along the way.

Chapter 6

The Tasty Development Environment

Tasty¹ is a web based testing and tracking utility. Note that Tasty is designed for developers of GDL applications — that is, it is not intended as an end-user application interface (see Chapter 8 for the recommended steps to create end-user interfaces).

Tasty allows one to visualize and inspect any object defined in GDL which mixes at least base-object into the definition of its root²

First, make sure you have compiled and loaded the code for the Chapter 5 examples, contained in

.../src/documentation/tutorial/examples/chapter-5/

in your GDL distribution. If you are not sure how to do this, you may want to leave this section temporarily and review Chapter 3, and then return.

Now you should have the Chapter 5 example definitions compiled and loaded into the system. To access Tasty, point your web browser to the URL in figure 6.1. This will produce the start-up page, as seen in Figure 6.2³. To access an instance of a specific object definition, you specify the class package and the object type, separated by a colon (":") (or a double-colon ("::") in the event the symbol naming the type is not exported from the package). For example, consider the simple

```
http://<host>:<port>/tasty

;; for example:
http://localhost:9000/tasty
```

Figure 6.1: Web Browser address for Tasty development environment

¹ "Tasty" is an acronym of acronyms - it stands for TAtu with STYle (sheets), where tatu comes from Testing And Tracking Utility.

²base-object is the core mixin for all geometric objects and gives them a coordinate system, length, width, and height. This restriction in Tasty will be eliminated in a future GDL release so the user will be able to instantiate non-geometric root-level objects in Tasty as well, for example to inspect objects which generate a web page but no geometry.

³This page may look slightly different, e.g. different icon images, depending on your specific GDL version.

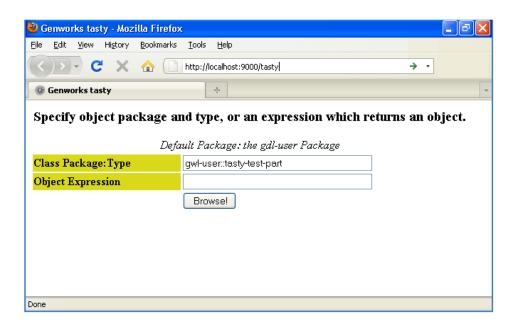


Figure 6.2: Tasty start-up

tower1 definition in Figure ??. This definition is in the :chapter-5 package. Consequently, the specification will be chapter-5:tower1

Note that if the assembly symbol had not been exported from the :chapter-5 package, then a double-colon would have been needed: chapter-5::tower1⁴

After you specify the class package and the object type and press the "browse" button, the browser will produce the Tasty interface with an instance of the specified type (see figure ??). The utility interface by default is composed of three toolbars and three view frames (tree frame, inspector frame and viewport frame "graphical view port").

6.0.1 The Toolbars

The first toolbar consists of two "tabs" which allow the user to select between the display of the application itself or the GDL reference documentation.

The second toolbar is designed to select various "click modes" for objects and graphical viewing, and to customize the interface in other ways. It hosts five menus: edit, tree, view, windows and help⁵.

The *tree menu* allows the user to customize the "click mode" of the mouse (or "tap mode" for other pointing devices) for objects in the tree, inspector, or viewport frames. The behavior follows the *select-and-match* behavior – you first *select* a mode of operation with one of the buttons or menu items, then *match* that mode to any object in the tree frame or inspector frame by left-clicking (or tapping). These modes are as follows:

⁴use of a double-colon indicates dubious coding practice, because it means that the code in quesion is accessing the "internals" or "guts" of another package, which may not have been the intent of that other package's designer.

⁵A File menu will be added in a future release, to facilitate saving and restoring of instance "snapshots" — at present, this can be done programmatically.

• Tree: Graphical modes

Add Node (AN) Node in graphics viewport

Add Leaves (AL) Add Leaves in graphics viewport

Add Leaves indiv. (AL*) Add Leaves individually (so they can be deleted individually).

Draw Node (DN) Draw Node in graphics view port (replacing any existing).

Draw Leaves (DL) Draw Leaves in graphics view port (replacing any existing).

Clear Leaves (DL) Delete Leaves

• Tree: Inspect & debug modes

Inspect object (I) Inspect (make the inspector frame to show the selected object).

Set self to Object (B) Sets a global self variable to the selected object, so you can interact by sending messages to the object at the command prompt e.g. by typing (the length) or (the children).

Set Root to Object (SR) Set displayed root in Tasty tree to selected object.

Up Root (UR!) Set displayed root in Tasty tree up one level (this is grayed out if already on root).

Reset Root (RR!) Reset displayed root in Tasty to to the true root of the tree (this is grayed out if already on root).

• Tree: frame navigation modes

Expand to Leaves (L) Nodes expand to their deepest leaves when clicked.

Expand to Children (C) Nodes expand to their direct children when clicked.

Auto Close (A) When any node is clicked to expand, all other nodes close automatically.

Remember State (R) Nodes expand to their previously expanded state when clicked.

• View: Viewport Actions

Fit to Window! Fits to the graphics viewport size the displayed objects (use after a Zoom) Clear View! (CL!) Clear all the objects displayed in the graphics viewport.

• View: Image Format

PNG Sets the displayed format in the graphics viewport to PNG (raster image with isoparametric curves for surfaces and brep faces).

JPEG Sets the displayed format in the graphics viewport to JPEG (raster image with isoparametric curves for surfaces and brep faces).

VRML/X3D Sets the displayed format in the graphics viewport to VRML with default lighting and viewpoint (these can be changed programmatically). This requires a compatible plugin such as BS Contact

X3DOM This experimental mode sets the displayed format in the graphics viewport to use the x3dom.js Javascript library, which attempts to render X3D format directly inbrowser without the need for plugins. This works best in WebGL-enabled browsers such as a recent version of Google Chrome⁶.

SVG/VML Sets the displayed format in the graphics viewport to SVG/VML⁷, which is a vector graphics image format displaying isoparametric curves for surfaces and brep faces.

• View: Click Modes

Zoom in Sets the mouse left-click in the graphics viewport to zoom in.

Zoom out Sets the mouse left-click in the graphics viewport to zoom out.

Measure distance Calculates the distance between two selected points from the graphics viewport.

Get coordinates Displays the coordinates of the selected point from the graphics viewport.

Select Object Allows the user to select an object from the graphics viewport (currently works for displayed curves and in SVG/VML mode only).

• View: Perspective

Trimetric Sets the displayed perspective in the graphics viewport to trimetric.

Front Sets the displayed perspective in the graphics viewport to Front (negative Y axis).

Rear Sets the displayed perspective in the graphics viewport to Rear (positive Y axis).

Left Sets the displayed perspective in the graphics viewport to Left (negative X axis).

Right Sets the displayed perspective in the graphics viewport to Right (positive X axis).

Top Sets the displayed perspective in the graphics viewport to Top (positive Z axis).

Bottom Sets the displayed perspective in the graphics viewport to Bottom (negative Z axis).

The third toolbar hosts the most frequently used buttons. These buttons have tooltips which will pop up when you hover the mouse over them. However, these buttons are found in the second toolbar as well, except for line thickness and color buttons. The line thickness and color buttons expand and contract when clicked, and allows the user to select a desired line thickness and color for the objects displayed in the graphics viewport.

6.0.2 View Frames

The *tree frame* contains a hierarchical representation of your defined object. For example for the tower assembly this will be as depicted in figure ??

To draw the graphics (geometry) for the tower leaf-level objects, you can select the "Add Leaves (AL)" item from the Tree menu, then click the desired leaf to be displayed from the tree.

⁶Currently, it is necessary to "Reload" or "Refresh" the browser window to display the geometry in this mode.

⁷For complex objects with many display curves, SVG/VML can overwhelm the JavaScript engine in the web browser. Use PNG for these cases.

⁸The design of the line thickness and color buttons is being refined and may appear differently in your installation.

Alternatively, you can select the "rapid" button from the third toolbar which is symbolized by a pencil icon. Because this operation (draw leaves) is frequently used, the operation is also directly available as a direct-click icon which will appear when you hover the mouse over any leaf or node in the tree.

A direct-click icon is also available for "inspect object," as the second icon when you hover the mouse over a leaf or node.

The "inspector" frame allows the user to inspect (and in some cases modify) the object instance being inspected.

For example, we can make the number-of-blocks of the tower to be "settable," by adding the keyword :settable after its default expression (please look ahead to Chapter ?? if you are interested in more details on this GDL syntax). We will also pass in the number-of-blocks as the :size of the blocks sequence, rather than using a hard-coded value as previously. The new assembly definition is now:

```
;;
;; FLAG -- insert verbatim or ref to new tower code
;;
```

In this new version of the tower, the number-of-blocks is a settable slot, and its value can be modified (i.e. "bashed") as desired, either programmatically from the command-line, in an end-user application, or from the Tasty environment.

To modify the value in Tasty: select "Inspect" mode from the Tree menu, then select the root of the assembly tree to set the inspector on that object (see Figure ??). Once the inspector is displaying this object, it is possible to expand its settable slots by clicking on the "Show Settables!" link (use the "X" link to collapse the settable slots view). When the settable slots area is open, the user may set the values as desired by inputting the new value and pressing the OK button (see Figure ??).

Chapter 7

Working with Geometry in GDL

Although Genworks GDL is a powerful framework for a variety of general-purpose undertakings, one of its particular strong points is generating geometry and processing geometric entities. Geometric capabilities are provided by a library of *low-level primitives*, or LLPs. LLPs are pre-defined GDL objects which you can extend by "mixing in" with your own definitions, and/or instantiate as child objects in your definitions.

The names of the geometric LLPs are in the :geom-base package, and here are some examples:

- base-coordinate-system provides an empty 3D Cartesian coordinate system.
- Simple 2-dimensional primitives include line, arc, and ellipse.
- Simple 3-dimensional primitives include box, sphere, and cylinder.
- Advanced 3-dimensional primitives (which depend on optional add-on Geometry Kernel module) include b-spline-curve, b-spline-surface, and merged-solid.

This chapter will cover the default coordinate system of GDL as well as the built-in simple 2D and 3D LLPs. Chapter ?? will cover the advanced Surfaces and Solids primitives.

7.1 The Default Coordinate System in GDL

GDL's default coordinate system comes with the standard mixin base-coordinate-system and represents a standard three-dimensional Cartesian Coordinate system with X, Y, and Z dimensions.

Figure 7.1 shows the coordinate system in a 3D Trimetric view.

Figure 7.2 shows the coordinate system in a Front View.

Figure 7.3 shows the coordinate system in a Top View.

Figure 7.4 shows each face of the reference box labeled with its symbolic direction:

- Right for the **positive X** direction
- Left for the negative X direction
- Rear for the positive Y direction

¹base-coordinate-system is also known by its legacy name base-object



Figure 7.1: Coordinate System in Trimetric View



Figure 7.2: Coordinate System in Front View



Figure 7.3: Coordinate System in Top View



Figure 7.4: Coordinate System with Symbolically Labeled Faces

Figure 7.5: Definition of a Box

- Front for the negative Y direction
- Top for the **positive Z** direction
- Bottom for the negative Z direction

7.2 Building a Geometric GDL Model from LLPs

The simplest geometric entity in GDL is a box, and in fact all entities are associated with an imaginary reference box which shares the same slots as a normal box. The box primitive type in GDL inherits its inputs from base-coordinate-system, and the fundamental inputs are:

• center Default: #(0.0 0.0 0.0)

• orientation Default: nil

• height Default: 0

• length Default: 0

• width Default: 0

Figure 7.5 defines an example box, and Figure 7.6 demonstrates how it will display in Tasty. Note the following from the example in 7.5:

- The symbol +phi+² holds a global constant containing the "golden ratio" number, which is approximated as 1.618.
- The slots length, width, and height are defined in base-object as *trickle-down-slots*. For this reason they are automatically being passed down into into the box child object. Therefore it is not necessary to pass them down explicitly.

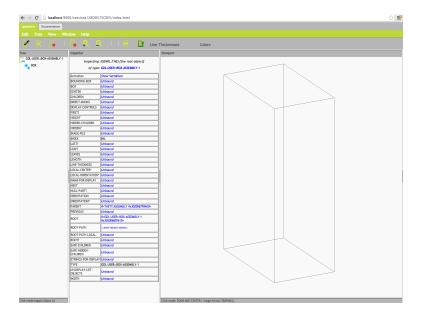


Figure 7.6: Simple box displayed in Tasty

Figure 7.7: Positioned Boxes source

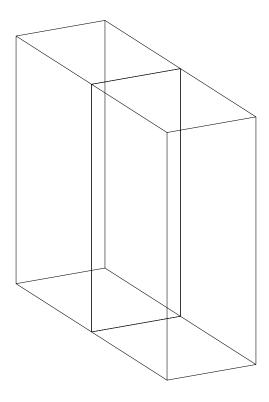


Figure 7.8: Positioned Boxes

Figure 7.9: Positioned by Index source

7.2.1 Positioning a child object using the center input

By default, a child object will be positioned at the same center as its parent, and the center defaults to the point #(0.0 0.0 0.0). Figure 7.7 (rendered in Figure 7.8) shows a second box being positioned adjacent to the first, by using the :center input.

7.2.2 Positioning Sequence Elements using (the-child index)

When specifying a sequence of child objects, each individual sequence element can be referenced from within its :objects section using the operator the-child. By using the-child to send the index message, you can obtain the index³ of each individual child object as it is being processed. In this manner it is possible to compute a distinct position for each child, as a function of its index, as demonstrated in Figures 7.9 and 7.10.

7.2.3 Relative positioning using the translate operator

It is usually preferable to position child objects in a *relative* rather than *absolute* manner with respect to the parent. For example, in our positioned-by-index example in Figure 7.9, each child box object is being positioned using an absolute coordinate produced by make-point. This will work as long as the center of the current parent is #(0.0 0.0 0.0) (which it is, by default). But imagine if this parent itself is a child of a larger assembly. Imagine further that the larger assembly specifies a non-default center for this instance of positioned-by-index. At this point, the strategy fails.

 $^{^{2}}$ By convention, constants in Common Lisp are named with a leading and trailing + as a way to make them recognizable as constants.

³Indices in GDL "size" sequences are integers which start with 0 (zero).

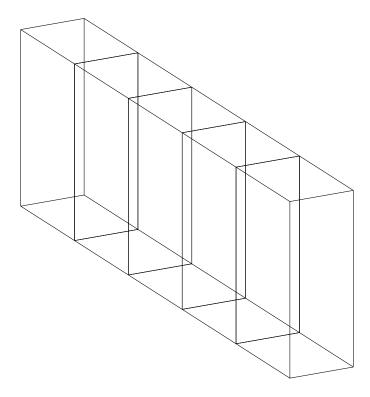


Figure 7.10: Positioned by Index

Figure 7.11: Translated by Index source

The solution is to adhere to a consistent Best Practice of positioning child objects according to the center (or some other known datum point) of the parent object. This can easily be accomplished through the use of the *translate* operator. The translate operator works within the context of a GDL object, and allows a 3D point to be translated in up to three directions, selected from: :up, :down, :left, :right, :front, :rear. Figures 7.11 and 7.12 show the equivalent of our positioned-by-index example, but with all the positioning done relative to the parent's center.

7.2.4 Display Controls

It is possible to specify particular default display characteristics⁴ for objects in GDL, such as:

- \bullet color
- line-thickness (for line-based output formats like PDF)
- transparency (for shaded graphics outputs like X3D)

The most common display-control is probably :color. Color in GDL can be specified in one of three formats:

1. By name. The names can be seen at the URL http://localhost:9000/color-map as seen in Figure 7.13

⁴In addition to display-controls attached to a geometric entity itself, GDL also supports the concept of *lenses*, which capture the program code used to output a particular class of entities (e.g. box in a particular output format (e.g. pdf. Lenses will be covered in more detail in Chapter ??.

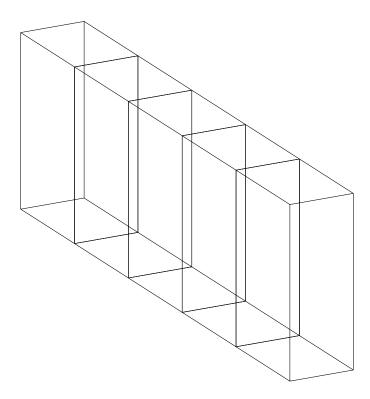


Figure 7.12: Translated by Index





localhost:9000/sessions/48D57C2C73/index.html

Color	Hex	Decimal
:GREEN-PALE	"#8fbc8f"	0.56078434S0, 0.7372549S0
:BLUE-NEON	"#4d4dff"	0.3019608S0, 0.3019608S0,
:GREY	"#c0c0c0"	0.7529412S0, 0.7529412S0,
:GREEN-COPPER	"#527f76"	0.32156864S0, 0.49803922S
:TEAL	"#008080"	0.080, 0.501960880, 0.50196
:BLUE-STEEL-LIGHT	"#8f8fbd"	0.56078434S0, 0.56078434S
:GREEN-OLIVE-DARK	"#4f4f2f"	0.3098039380, 0.309803938
:PURPLE	"#800080"	0.5019608S0, 0.0S0, 0.50196
:BLUE-SLATE	"#007fff"	0.080, 0.4980392280, 1.080
:GREEN-LIME	"#32cd32"	0.19607843S0, 0.8039216S0
:SCARLET	"#8c1717"	0.54901963S0, 0.09019608S
:WHITE	"#ffffff"	1.080, 1.080, 1.080
:GREEN-SPRING	"#00ff7f"	0.080, 1.080, 0.4980392280
:RED-VIOLET	"#cc3299"	0.8S0, 0.19607843S0, 0.6S0
:WOOD-DARK	"#855e42"	0.52156866S0, 0.36862746S
:BLUE-MEDIUM	"#3232cd"	0.19607843S0, 0.19607843S
:TAN-DARK	"#97694f"	0.5921569S0, 0.4117647S0,
:GOLD-BRIGHT	"#d9d919"	0.8509804S0, 0.8509804S0,
:BLUE	"#0000ff"	0.080, 0.080, 1.080
:YELLOW	"#ffff00"	1.080, 1.080, 0.080

- 2. By hexadecimal Red-Green-Blue values, in the form of a string beginning with the "#" character. Each two-digit hex number represents a component of Red, Green, or Blue (to make this easy to remember, use the mnemonic "Roy G. Biv" from the rainbow colors). For example, #000000 represents pure Black, and #FFFFFF represents pure White. #FF0000 would be pure Red, #00FF00 would be pure Green, and #FF00FF would be Purple (a mix of Red and Blue). Note that this is also a standard for HTML and the World Wide Web.
- 3. By a list of three decimal numbers between 0.0 and 1.0, again representing values for Red, Green, and Blue. For example, (1.0 1.0 1.0) would be pure White, and (0.0 0.0 0.0) would be pure Black.

The display-controls is an optional input-slot for any geometric entity in GDL, and is expected to be a *Property List* containing alternating keywords and values. Common keywords for the display-controls, corresponding to the display characteristics listed above, are:

- :color
- :line-thickness
- :transparency

Figures 7.15 and 7.14 demonstrate the use of the :color keyword in the display-controls for our positioned boxes example.

7.2.5 Orientation and the Alignment function

Orientations in GDL are specified using a 3x3 orientation matrix. The simplest way to compute an orientation matrix is to use the use the alignment function. The alignment function accepts up to three direction keywords, and corresponding vectors to which these directions should be aligned. For example, to obtain an orientation matrix specifying that the Rear of a reference box should be aligned with the vector #(1.0 0.0 0.0), you could call

```
(alignment :rear (make-vector 1 0 0))
```

Generally, you will want the orientation of a child object to be specified in a *relative* manner to that of the current (parent) object. The concept here is similar to that for positioning with respect to (the center). For relative orientation, you can utilize the various face-normal-vectors of the parent object. For example, by default, cylinders are aligned with their flat ends along the longitudinal (Y) axis. Figures 7.16 and 7.17 show the red cylinder which is turned to be vertical (aligned to the Z axis), by aligning its :rear face with (the (face-normal-vector :top)) of the parent base-object.

7.2.6 Rotating vectors with the rotate-vector-d function

In order to specify a vector which is not aligned exactly with one of the major axes, you can use the rotate-vector-d function to yield a new vector which is the result of "rotating" one vector about another vector. Figures 7.18 and 7.19 show a stack of boxes, where the rear face of each box is rotated 2 degrees with respect to the box under it.

Figure 7.14: Color controlled by display-controls source

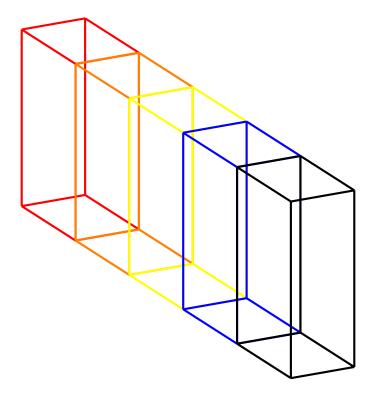


Figure 7.15: Color controlled by display-controls

Figure 7.16: Cylinder aligned vertically source

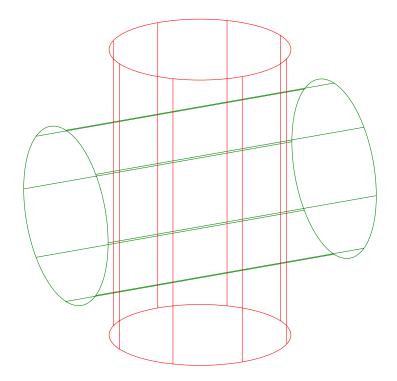


Figure 7.17: Cylinder aligned vertically

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object tower (base-object)
  :input-slots
  ((height 42)
  (block-height 1)
   (width +phi+)
   (length (* (the width) +phi+)))
  :computed-slots
  ((number-of-blocks (floor (the height)
                            (the block-height))))
  :objects
  ((blocks :type 'box
           :sequence (:size (the number-of-blocks))
           :length (the length)
           :height (the block-height)
           :width (the width)
           :center (translate (the center) :up
                              (* (the-child height)
                                 (the-child index)))
           :orientation (alignment :rear (rotate-vector-d
                                           (the (face-normal-vector :rear))
                                           (twice (the-child index))
                                           (the (face-normal-vector :top))))))
```

Figure 7.18: Twisty Tower source



Figure 7.19: Twisty Tower

Figure 7.20: Tower Assembly source

7.2.7 Assemblies

Objects which you define with define-object can be used no differently from the built-in primitives. This underscores why it is important for the positioning and orientation passed into a child object be *relative* to that present in the parent. Figures 7.21 and 7.20 show how several towers can be positioned side-by-side, while maintaining consistent internal positioning and orientation. Figure ?? shows how the child towers form an *assembly hierarchy* of objects.

7.2.8 Mechanisms

GDL supports mechanisms without need for any special features. By defining position and orientation of some objects to be dependent on others, you can set up a mechanism. Figure 7.23 shows a standard four-bar link mechanism which is defined in the code in the file 4-bar-assembly.gdl (this is in the examples directory⁵ — due to its length, the source is not printed in the manual.

7.2.9 Other Geometric Primitives

This chapter has focused primarily on the box primitive, because every type of geometric primitive is based upon a *reference box*. Other primitives have their own sets of input-slots, and their own ways of being rendered in the various output formats. Basic 2D primitives include:

• circle described on page 113

⁵http://github.com/genworks/gendl/tree/master/documentation/tutorial/examples/

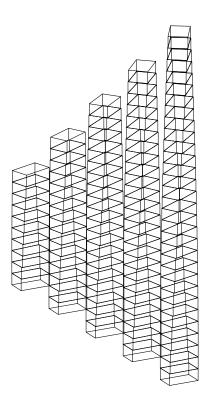


Figure 7.21: Tower Assembly

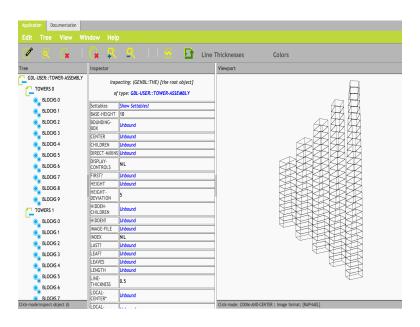


Figure 7.22: Tower Assembly as displayed in Tasty

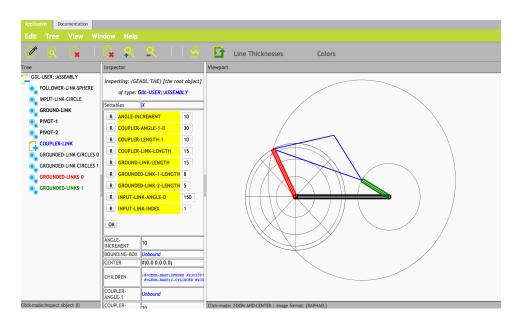


Figure 7.23: Four-bar Link Mechanism

- line described on page 135
- arc described on page 97
- ellipse described on page 119
- bezier-curve⁶ described on page 107

Basic 3D primitives include:

- sphere described on page 148
- cylinder described on page 117
- cone described on page 115
- global-polyline described on page 129
- global-polygon-projection described on page 127
- global-filleted-polyline described on page 129
- torus described on page 152
- route-pipe described on page 145

⁶The simple cubic bezier curve is supported in the basic GDL and open-source Gendl. More sophisticated NURBS-based curves and surfaces are supported in the commercial GDL product when accompanied with the SMLib geometry kernel. These are covered in chapter ??

Chapter 8

Custom User Interfaces in GDL

Another strength of GDL is the ability to create custom web-based user interfaces. GDL contains a built-in web server and supports the creation of generative web-based user interfaces¹. Using the same define-object syntax which you have already encountered, you can define web pages, sections of web pages, and form control elements such as type-in fields, checkboxes, and choice lists [using this capability does require a basic working knowledge of the HTML language].².

Any web extensions such as custom JavaScript and JavaScript libraries can also be used, as with any standard web application.

With the primitive objects and functions in its :gwl package, GDL supports both the traditional "Web 1.0" interfaces (with fillout forms, page submittal, and complete page refresh) as well as so-called "Web 2.0" interaction with AJAX.

8.1 Package and Environment for Web Development

Similarly to gdl:define-package, you can use gwl:define-package in order to create a working package which has access to the symbols you will need for building a web application (in addition to the other GDL symbols).

The :gwl-user package is pre-defined and may be used for practice work. For real projects, you should define your own package using gwl:define-package.

The acronym "GWL" stands for Generative Web Language, which is not a separate language from GDL itself, but rather is a set of primitive objects and functions available within GDL for building web applications. The YADD reference documentation for package "Generative Web Language" provides detailed specifications for all the primitive objects and functions.

8.2 Traditional Web Pages and Applications

To make a GDL object presentable as a web page, the following two steps are needed:

1. Mix base-html-sheet into the object definition.

¹GDL does not contain support for native desktop GUI applications. Although the host Common Lisp environment (e.g. Allegro CL or LispWorks) may contain a GUI builder and Integrated Development Environment, and you are free to use these, GDL does not provide specific support for them.

²We will not cover HTML in this manual, but plentiful resources are available online and in print.

```
(in-package :gwl-user)
(define-object president (base-html-sheet)
  :input-slots
  ((name "Carter") (term 1976) (table-border 1))
  :functions
  ((write-html-sheet
    () (with-cl-who (:indent t)
         (:html (:head (:title (fmt "Info on President: ~a"
                                     (the name))))
                (:body ((:table :border (the table-border))
                        (:tr (:th "Name") (:th "Term"))
                        (:tr (:td (str (the name)))
                              (:td (str (the term))))))))))
;; Access the above example with
;; http://localhost:9000/make?object=gwl-user::president
;;
```

Figure 8.1: Simple Static Page Example

2. define a GDL function called main-sheet within the object definition.

The main-sheet function should return valid HTML for the page. The easiest way to produce HTML is with the use of an HTML generating library, such as CL-WHO³ or HTMLGen⁴, both of which are built into GDL.

For our examples we will use cl-who, which is currently the standard default HTML generating library used internally by GDL. Here we will make note of the major features of cl-who while introducing the examples. For complete documentation on cl-who, please visit the page at Edi Weitz' website linked above and listed in the footnote below.

8.2.1 A Simple Static Page Example

In Figure 8.1, GWL convenience macro with-cl-who is used; this sets up a standard default environment for outputting HTML within a GWL application.

The code in Figure 8.1 produces HTML output as shown in Figure 8.2 which looks similar to Figure 8.3 in a web browser.

Several important concepts are lumped into this example. Note the following:

• Our convenience macro with-cl-who is used to wrap the native with-html-output macro which comes with the cl-who library.

³http://weitz.de/cl-who

⁴http://www.franz.com/support/documentation/current/doc/aserve/htmlgen.html

Figure 8.2: Simple Static Page Example



Figure 8.3: Simple Static Page Example

- We use the keyword argument :indent t in order to pretty-print the generated HTML. This does not affect the browser display but can make the generated HTML easier to read and debug. This option should be left as nil (the default) for production deployments.
- The fmt symbol has special meaning within the cl-who environment and works the same as a Common Lisp (format nil ...) in order to evaluate a format string together with matching arguments, and produce a string at runtime.
- The str symbol has special meaning within the cl-who environment and works by evaluating an expression at runtime to return a string or other printable object, which is then included at that point in the HTML output.
- Expressions within the body of an HTML tag have to be evaluated, usually by use of the fmt or str in cl-who. There are three examples of this in the above sample: one fmt and two str.
- Expressions within a tag attribute are always evaluated automatically, and so do **not** require a str or other special symbol to force evaluation at runtime. Tag attributes in HTML (or XML) are represented as a plist spliced in after a tag name, wrapped in extra parentheses around the tag name. In the sample above, the :border (the table-border) is an example of a tag attribute on the :table tag. Notice that the expression (the table-border) does not need str in order to be evaluated it gets evaluated automatically.
- In cl-who, if a tag attribute evaluates to nil, then that tag attribute will be left out of the output completely. For example if (the table-border) evaluates to nil, then the :table tag will be outputted without any attributes at all. This is a convenient way to conditionalize tag attributes.
- The URL http://localhost:9000/make?object=gwl-user::president is published automatically based on the package and name of the object definition. When you visit this URL, the response is redirected to a unique URL identified by a session ID. This ensures that each user to your application site will see their own specific instance of the page object. The session ID is constructed from a combination of the current date and time, along with a pseudo-random number.

8.2.2 A Simple Dynamic Page which Mixes HTML and Common Lisp/GDL

Within the cl-who environment it is possible to include any standard Common Lisp structures such as let, dolist, dotimes, etc, which accept a *body* of code. The requirement is that any internal code body must be wrapped in a list beginning with the special symbol htm, which has meaning to cl-who.

The example in Figure 8.4 uses this technique to output an HTML table row for each "row" of data in a list of lists. The output looks similar to Figure 8.5 in a web browser.

Note the following from this example:

- title is a let variable, so we use (str title) to evaluate it as a string. We do not use (str (the title)) because title is a local variable and not a message (i.e. slot) in the object.
- Inside the dolist, we "drop back into" HTML mode using the htm operator.

```
(in-package :gwl-user)
(define-object presidents (base-html-sheet)
  :input-slots
  ((presidents (list (list :name "Ford"
                           :term 1974)
                     (list :name "Carter"
                           :term 1976)
                     (list :name "Clinton"
                           :term 1992)
                     (list :name "Bush"
                           :term 2000)
                     (list :name "Obama"
                           :term 2008)))
  (table-border 1))
  :functions
  ((write-html-sheet
    (with-cl-who (:indent t)
      (let ((title (format nil "Info on ~a Presidents:"
                           (length (the presidents)))))
        (htm
         (:html
          (:head (:title (str title)))
          (:body
           (:p (:c (:h3 (str title))))
           ((:table :border (the table-border))
            (:tr (:th "Name") (:th "Term"))
            (dolist (president (the presidents))
               (:tr (:td (str (getf president :name)))
                    (:td (str (getf president :term))))))))))))
;; Access the above example with
;; http://localhost:9000/make?object=gwl-user::presidents
;;
```

Figure 8.4: Mixing Static HTML and Dynamic Content

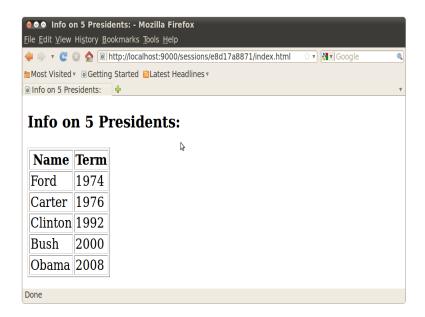


Figure 8.5: Mixing Static HTML and Dynamic Content

8.2.3 Linking to Multiple Pages

The base-html-sheet mixin provides a **self-link** message for the purpose of generating a hyperlink to that page. Typically you will have a "parent" page object which links to its "child" pages, but GDL pages can link to other pages anywhere in the GDL tree⁵.

In Figures 8.6 and 8.7, we provide links from a parent page into a child page with detailed information on each president. The output looks similar to Figure 8.8 in a web browser.

Note the following from this example:

- The write-self-link message is a function which can take a keyword argument of :display-string. This string is used for the actual hyperlink text.
- There is a write-back-link message which similarly can take a keyword argument of :display-string. This generates a link back to (the return-object) which, by default in base-html-sheet, is (the parent).

8.2.4 Form Controls and Fillout-Forms

Form Controls

GDL provides a set of primitives useful for generating the standard HTML form-controls⁶ such as text, checkbox, radio, submit, menu, etc. These should be instantiated as child objects in the page, then included in the HTML for the page using str within an HTML form tag (see next section).

The form-controls provided by GDL are documented in YADD accessible with

⁵In order for dependency-tracking to work properly, the pages must all belong to the same tree, i.e. they must share a common root object.

 $^{^6}$ http://www.w3.org/TR/html401/interact/forms.html

```
(in-package :gwl-user)
(define-object presidents-with-pages (base-html-sheet)
  :input-slots
  ((presidents (list :name "Ford" :term 1974)
                     (list :name "Carter" :term 1976)
                     (list :name "Clinton" :term 1992)
                     (list :name "Bush" :term 2000)
                     (list :name "Obama" :term 2008)))
   (table-border 1))
  :objects
  ((president-pages :type 'president-page
                    :sequence (:size (length (the presidents)))
                    :name (getf (nth (the-child index) (the presidents))
                                :name)
                    :term (getf (nth (the-child index) (the presidents))
                                :term)))
  :functions
  ((write-html-sheet
    (with-cl-who (:indent t)
      (let ((title (format nil "Info on ~a Presidents:"
                           (length (the presidents)))))
        (htm
         (:html
          (:head (:title (str title)))
          (:body
           (:p (:c (:h3 (str title))))
            (dolist (page (list-elements (the president-pages)))
              (htm
               (:li
                (the-object
                 page
                 (write-self-link :display-string
                                  (the-object page name)))))))))))))))
;; Access the above example with
;; http://localhost:9000/make?object=gwl-user::presidents-with-pages
;;
```

Figure 8.6: Linking to Multiple Pages

```
(in-package :gwl-user)
(define-object president-page (base-html-sheet)
  :input-slots
  (name term)
  :functions
  ((write-html-sheet
   ()
    (with-cl-who ()
      (let ((title (format nil "Term for President ~a:"
                           (the name))))
        (htm
         (:html
          (:head (:title (str title)))
          (:body
           (the (write-back-link :display-string "<Back"))
           (:p (:c (:h3 (str title))))
           (:p (str (the term)))))))))))
```

Figure 8.7: Linking to Multiple Pages

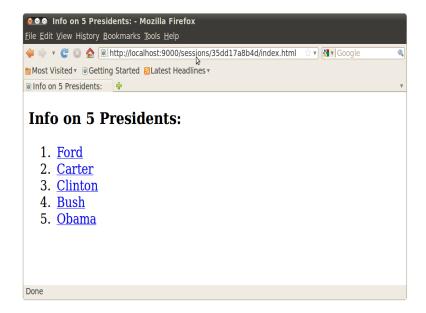


Figure 8.8: Linking to Multiple Pages

http://localhost:9000/yadd

and in Chapter ?? of this Manual. Examples of available form-controls are:

- text-form-control
- checkbox-form-control
- menu-form-control
- radio-form-control
- text-form-control
- button-form-control

These form-controls are customizable by mixing them into your own specific form-controls (although this often is not necessary). New form-controls such as for numbers, dates, etc will soon be added to correspond to latest HTML standards.

Fillout Forms

A traditional web application must enclose form controls inside a form tag and specify an action (a web URL) to receive and respond to the form submission. The response will cause the entire page to refresh with a new page. In GDL, such a form can be generated by wrapping the layout of the form controls within the with-html-form macro.

Figure 8.9 is an example which allows the user to enter a year, and the application will respond with the revenue amount for that year. Additional form controls are also provided to adjust the table border and cell padding.

This example, when instantiated in a web browser, might look as shown in Figure 8.10.

8.3 Partial Page Updates with gdlAjax

AJAX stands for Asynchronous JavaScript and XML ⁷, and allows for more interactive web applications which respond to user events by updating only part of the web page. The "Asynchronous" in Ajax refers to a web page's ability to continue interacting while one part of the page is being updated by a server response. Requests need not be Asynchronous, they can also be Synchronous ("SJAX"), which would cause the web browser to block execution of any other tasks while the request is being carried out. The "XML" refers to the format of the data that is typically returned from an AJAX request.

GDL contains a simple framework referred to as gdlAjax which supports a uniquely convenient and generative approach to AJAX (and SJAX). With gdlAjax, you use standard GDL object definitions and child objects in order to model the web page and the sections of the page, and the dependency tracking engine which is built into GDL automatically keeps track of which sections of the page need to be updated after a request.

⁷http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ajax_(programming)

```
(in-package :gwl-user)
(define-object revenue-lookup-old-school (base-ajax-sheet)
 :input-slots
 ((revenue-data '(2003 25000
2004 34000
                 2005 21000
                 2006 37000
2007 48000
                 2008 54000
2009 78000)))
 :functions
 ((write-html-sheet
   (with-cl-who ()
    :objects
 ((table-border :type 'menu-form-control :size 1 :choice-list '(0 1)
               :default 0)
  (cell-padding :type 'menu-form-control
               :size 1 :choice-list '(0 3 6 9 12) :default 0)
  (publish-gwl-app "/revenue-lookup-old-school"
               "gwl-user::revenue-lookup-old-school")
;; Access the above example with
;; http://localhost:9000/make?object=gwl-user::revenue-lookup-old-school
```

Figure 8.9: Form Controls and Fillout Forms

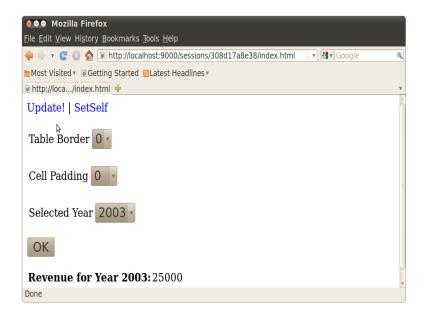


Figure 8.10: Form Controls and Fillout Forms

Moreover, the state of the internal GDL model which represents the page and the page sections is kept identical to the displayed state of the page. This means that if the user hits the "Refresh" button in the browser, the state of the page will remain unchanged. This ability is not available in some other Ajax frameworks.

8.3.1 Steps to Create a gdlAjax Application

Initially, it is important to appreciate that the fundamentals from the previous section on Standard Web Applications still apply for gdlAjax applications — that is, HTML generation, page linking, etc. These techniques will all still work in a gdlAjax application.

To produce a gdlAjax application entails three main differences from a standard web application:

- 1. You mix in base-ajax-sheet instead of base-html-sheet. base-ajax-sheet mixes in base-html-sheet, so it will still provide all the functionality of that mixin. In fact, you can use base-ajax-sheet in standard web applications and you won't notice any difference if you do everything else the same.
- 2. Instead of a write-html-sheet message, you specify a main-sheet-body message. The main-sheet-body can be a computed-slot or GDL function, and unlike the write-html-sheet message, it should simply return a string, not send output to a stream. Also, it only fills in the body of the page everything between the ¡body; and ¡/body; tags. The head tag of the page is filled in automatically and can be customized in various ways.
- 3. Any sections of the page which you want to have the capacity to change themselves in response to an Ajax call must be made into separate page sections, or "sheet sections," and the HTML for their main-div included in the main page's main-sheet-body by use of cl-who's str directive.

Note the following from the example in Figure 8.11:

- We mix in base-ajax-sheet and specify a main-sheet-body slot, which uses with-cl-who-string to compute a string of HTML. This approach is also easier to debug, since the main-sheet-body string can be evaluated in the tasty inspector or at the command-line.
- We use str to include the string for the main page section (called main-section in this example) into the main-sheet-body.
- In the main-section, we also use str to include the html-string for each of three form-controls. We have provided a form control for the table border, the table padding, and the revenue year to look up.
- The only page section in this example is (the main-section). This is defined as a child object, and has its inner-html computed in the parent and passed in as an input. The sheet-section will automatically compute a main-div message based on the inner-html that we are passing in. The main-div is simply the inner-html, wrapped with an HTML DIV (i.e. "division") tag which contains a unique identifier for this section, derived from the root-path to the GDL object in the tree which represents the sheet section.
- We introduce the CL function gwl:publish-gwl-app, which makes available a simplified URL for visiting an instance of this object in the web browser. In this case, we can access the instance using http://localhost:9000/revenue-lookup

Notice also the use of :ajax-submit-on-change? ... in each of the form-controls. This directs the gdlAjax system to "scrape" the values of these form controls and "bash" them into the value slot of the corresponding object on the server, whenever they are changed in the browser. No "Submit" button press is necessary.

It is also possible programmatically to send form-control values, and/or call a GDL Function, on the server, by using the gdl-ajax-call GDL function. This function will emit the necessary JavaScript code to use as an event handler, e.g. for an "onclick" event. For example, you could have the following snippet somewhere in your page:

```
((:span :onclick (the (gdl-ajax-call :function-key :restore-defaults!))) "Press Me" )
```

This will produce a piece of text "Press Me," which, when pressed, will have the effect of calling a function named restore-defaults! in the page's object on the server. If the function restore-defaults! is not defined, an error will result. The gdl-ajax-call GDL function can also send arbitrary form-control values to the server by using the :form-controls keyword argument, and listing the relevant form-control objects. The gdl-ajax-call GDL function is fully documented in YADD and the reference appendix.

If for some reason you want to do more than one gdl-ajax-call sequentially, then it is best to use gdl-sjax-call instead. This variant will cause the browser to wait until each call completes, before making the next call. To achieve this, you would want to append the strings together, e.g:

```
(in-package :gwl-user)
(define-object revenue-lookup (base-ajax-sheet)
  :input-slots
  ((revenue-data '(2003 25000
                    2004 34000
                    2005 21000
                    2006 37000
                    2007 48000
2008 54000
                    2009 78000)))
  :computed-slots
  ((main-sheet-body
    (with-cl-who-string ()
      (str (the main-section main-div)))))
 ((table-border :type 'menu-form-control :size 1
                  :choice-list '(0 1)
                  :default 0
                  :ajax-submit-on-change? t)
  (cell-padding :type 'menu-form-control
                  :size 1
                  :choice-list '(0 3 6 9 12)
                  :default 0
                  :ajax-submit-on-change? t)
  (selected-year :type 'menu-form-control
                   :size 1
:choice-list (plist-keys (the revenue-data))
                    :default (first (the-child choice-list))
                    :ajax-submit-on-change? t)
    :type 'sheet-section
:inner-html (with-cl-who-string ()
                  (**rot of who string ()
(:p (str (the development-links)))
(:p (str (the table-border html-string)))
(:p (str (the cell-padding html-string)))
                  (publish-gwl-app "/revenue-lookup"
                  "gwl-user::revenue-lookup")
```

Figure 8.11: Partial Page Updates with GdlAjax

With that said, it is rarely necessary to do these calls sequentially like this, because you can use :form-controls and :function-key simultaneously. As long as your logic works correctly when the form-controls are set before the function is called, then you can group the functions together into a "wrapper-function," and do the entire processing with a single Ajax (or Sjax) call. This would be the recommended approach whenever possible.

8.3.2 Including Graphics

The fundamental mixin or child type to make a graphics viewport is base-ajax-graphics-sheet. This object definition takes several optional input-slots, but the most essential are the :display-list-objects and the :display-list-object-roots. As indicated by their names, you specify a list of nodes to include in the graphics output with the :display-list-objects, and a list of nodes whose leaves you want to display in the graphics output with the :display-list-object-roots. View controls, rendering format, action to take when clicking on objects, etc, can be controlled with other optional input-slots.

The example in Figure 8.12 contains a simple box with two graphics viewports and ability to modify the length, height, and and width of the box:

This will produce a web browser output similar to what is shown in Figure 8.13. Note the following from this example:

- The (:use-raphael? t) enables raphael for SVG or VML output.
- The :raphael image-format generates SVG or VML, depending on the browser.
- We conditionally include development-links for full Update and SetSelf! actions.
- We include two viewports in the main-sheet-body, elements from a sequence of size 2.
- In the inputs-section, we use the html-string message from each form-control to display the default decoration (prompt, etc).

```
(in-package :gwl-user)
(define-object box-with-inputs (base-ajax-sheet)
  :computed-slots
  ((use-raphael? t)
    (with-cl-who-string ()
  (:p (when *developing?* (str (the development-links))))
  (:p (str (the inputs-section main-div)))
       (:table
        (:tr
         (dolist (viewport (list-elements (the viewport-sections)))
           (htm (:td (:td (str (the-object viewport main-div)))))))))
  :objects
  ((box :type 'box
         :height (the inputs-section box-height value)
         :width (the inputs-section box-width value)
:length (the inputs-section box-length value))
   (inputs-section :type 'inputs-section)
   (viewport-sections
    :type 'base-ajax-graphics-sheet
:sequence (:size 2)
     :view-direction-default (ecase (the-child index)
                                  (0 :top) (1 :trimetric))
     :image-format-default :raphael
    :display-list-objects (list (the box))
:length 250 :width 250)))
(define-object inputs-section (sheet-section)
  :computed-slots
  ((inner-html (with-cl-who-string ()
                  (:p (str (the box-length html-string)))
(:p (str (the box-width html-string)))
                  (:p (str (the box-height html-string))))))
  :objects
  ((box-length :type 'text-form-control :default 25
                  :ajax-submit-on-change? t)
   (box-width :type 'text-form-control :default 35
                 :ajax-submit-on-change? t)
   (box-height :type 'text-form-control
                 :default 45
                 :ajax-submit-on-change? t)))
;; Access the above example with ;; http://localhost:9000/make?object=gwl-user::box-with-inputs
```

Figure 8.12: Including Graphics in a Web Page

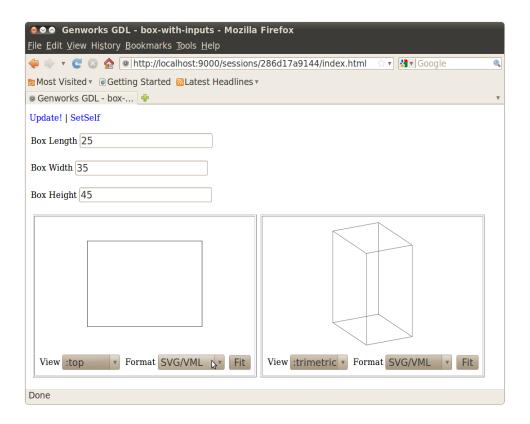


Figure 8.13: Including Graphics

Chapter 9

More Common Lisp for GDL

Chapter 10

Advanced GDL

Upgrade Notes

GDL 1580 marked the end of a major branch of GDL development, and 1581 was an upgraded new version, which in turn has now been supplanted by 1582.

This addendum lists the typical modifications you will want to consider for upgrading from GDL 1580 to GDL 1582, or later versions.

- (make-gdl-app ..) is now available for 1582. We have made available an Enterprise Edition of 1582 which includes the make-gdl-app function, which creates Runtime applications without the compiler or GDL development facilities. If you are an Enterprise licensee, and are ready to release Runtime applications on 1582, and you have not received information on the Enterprise Edition, please contact support@genworks.com
- (register-asdf-systems) and the "3rdpty/" directory are no longer needed or available. Instead, we depend on the Quicklisp system. Details of Quicklisp are available at http://www.quicklisp.org. See Section 3.3.4 for information about how to use Quicklisp with GDL.
- There is a system-wide gdlinit.cl in the application directory, and depending on the particular release you have, this may have some default information which ships with GDL. There is a personal gdlinit.cl in home directory, which you should modify if you want to customize anything.
- Slime debugging is different from the ELI emacs debugger. The main thing to know is to press "a" or "q" to pop out of the current error. Full documentation for the Slime debug mode is available with the Slime documentation.
- color-themes GDL now ships with the Emacs color-theme package. You can select a different color theme with M-x color-theme-select. Press [Enter] or middle-mouse on a color theme to apply it.
- GDL files can now end with .lisp or .gdl. The new .gdl extension will work for emacs Lisp mode and will work with cl-lite, ASDF, and Quicklisp for including source files in application systems. We recommend migrating to the new .gdl extension for files containing define-object, define-format, and define-lens forms, and any other future toplevel defining forms introduced by GDL, in order to distinguish from files containing raw Common Lisp code.
- in gdlAjax, HTML for a sheet-section is given in the slot called inner-html instead of main-view. This name change was made to clarify what exactly is expected in this slot it is the innerHTML of the page division represented by the current sheet-section. If you

want to make your code back-compatible with GDL 1580, you can use the following form in place of old occurences of main-view:

```
... #+allegro-v8.1 main-view #-allegro-v8.1 inner-html ...
```

• (update-gdl ..) is not yet available for 1582. Instead of updating incrementally with patches, the intention starting with GDL 1582 is for full GDL releases to be made available approximately monthly. Less frequent Long Term Maintenance ("LTS") releases will also be made available along with a new simpler maintenance patch system.

Chapter 11

Reference for GDL Objects and Operators

11.1 CL-LITE (Compile-and-Load Lite Utility)

11.1.1 Object Definitions

• CODEBASE-DIRECTORY-NODE

Mixins: DIRECTORY-NODE

Description Models a filesystem directory for use by the cl-lite program.

Input slots (optional):

Bin-subdir-names List of strings

Identifies the names of directories considered to hold binaries. Default is (list "bin" patch")

Create-fasl? Boolean

Determines whether to write a concatenated fasl for the build. Defaults to nil. NOTE: this is not currently supported in cl-lite.

Fasl-output-name String

Names the built concatenated fasl when (the create-fasl?) is non-nil. Defaults to (the local-name)

Fasl-output-path String or pathname object

Designates the pathname for the filesystem directory in which the built concatenated fasls are written. Defaults to (glisp:temporary-folder)

Fasl-output-type String

Names the fasl extension used by the compiler. Defaults to the local fasl output type.

Load-always? Boolean

Determines whether to load the individual compiled fasls even if the source has not changed. Defaults to nil (i.e. we assume we are loading into a clean system and need all the initial definitions.).

Source-files-to-ignore List of strings

Lists directory names which should be ignored as having compilable source code for the build.

Special-subdir-names List of strings

Identifies the names of directories which are part of a vc-system control files and therefore should be treated as special subdirectories. Default is (list "CVS")

Type-mapping Plist of keywords and lists of strings

Maps directory names to their default type classifications.

Computed slots:

Strings-for-display String or List of Strings

Determines how the name of objects of this type will be printed in most places. This defaults to the name-for-display (generally the part's name as specified in its parent), followed by an index number if the part is an element of a sequence.

11.1.2 Function and Macro Definitions

• CL-PATCH

11.2 GENDL (Base Core Kernel Engine) Nicknames: Gdl, Genworks, Base

11.2.1 Object Definitions

• BASE-RULE-OBJECT

Mixins: VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> Encapsulates a basic computation, usually to be displayed to the user. Typically this would be used as a mixin into a more sophisticated rule-object, but the type can be used to detect objects which should be processed as "rules."

Input slots (optional):

Rule-description String

Short description of the rule (generally one line). Defaults to NIL.

Rule-description-help String

Verbose description of the purpose of the rule.

Rule-result String

The basic return-value, or result, of evaluating the rule.

Rule-result-help String

Verbose description of how the rule result is computed.

Rule-title String

Title to be used with the rule object. Defaults to NIL.

Strings-for-display String

Determines the rule's default name in various internal GDL contexts. Defaults to the rule-title, or "Unnamed Rule" if rule-title is NIL.

Suppress-display? Boolean

Determines whether the rule is displayed by default in reports etc.

Violated? Boolean

Indicates whether this rule violates a standard condition.

• MATRIX-SEQUENCE

Mixins: STANDARD-SEQUENCE

Description A matrix sequence quantification is generated as a result of specifying : sequence (:matrix direction-keyword number direction-keyword number)) in an :objects specification. The direction-keywords can be one of :lateral, :longitudinal, and :vertical. The items will be arranged spread out evenly in the directions specified. Centers can also be provided explicitly based on the indices. The indices to a matrix sequence consist of a list of numbers rather than a single number as with a normal sequence.

Computed slots:

First GDL Object

Returns the first element of the aggregate.

Last GDL Object

Returns the last element of the aggregate.

• NULL-OBJECT

Mixins: VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> A part with no geometric representation and no children. Use this in a conditional: type expression if you want to turn off a branch of the tree conditionally.

• QUANTIFICATION

Mixins: VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> A quantification is an aggregate created as a result of specifying :sequence (:size ...)) or :sequence (:indices ...)) in an :objects specification. Usually, the elements of a quantified set are referenced by using extra parentheses around the message in the reference chain and using the index number. But the aggregate itself also supports certain messages, documented here. One message, number-of-elements, is not listed in the normal messages section because it is internal. It can be used, and returns an integer representing the cardinality of the aggregate.

Computed slots:

First GDL Object

Returns the first element of the aggregate.

Last GDL Object

Returns the last element of the aggregate.

• RADIAL-SEQUENCE

Mixins: STANDARD-SEQUENCE

<u>Description</u> A radial sequence quantification is generated as a result of specifying : sequence (:radial [number-expression])) in an :objects specification.

• STANDARD-QUERY-ROW

Mixins: VANILLA-MIXIN

 $\underline{\textbf{Description}} \ \ \text{Represents a row of data}.$

Input slots (optional):

Type Symbol

The GDL Type of this object.

• STANDARD-SEQUENCE

Mixins: QUANTIFICATION

Description A standard sequence quantification is generated as a result of specifying :sequence (:size [number-expression])) in an :objects specification. Unlike a variable-sequence quantification (specified with :sequence (:indices ...))), elements cannot be surgically inserted or deleted from a standard sequence. If a value upon which the [number-expression] depends becomes modified, each member of the sequence will be reinstantiated as it is demanded.

Computed slots:

First GDL Object

Returns the first element of the aggregate.

Last GDL Object

Returns the last element of the aggregate.

• VANILLA-MIXIN*

Mixins: STANDARD-OBJECT

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<u>Description</u> Vanilla-Mixin is automatically inherited by every object created in GDL. It provides basic messages which are common to all GDL objects defined with the define-object macro, unless :no-vanilla-mixin t is specified at the toplevel of the define-object form.

Input slots (optional):

Hidden? Boolean

Indicates whether the object should effectively be a hidden-object even if specified in objects. Default is nil.

Root GDL Instance

The root-level node in this object's "tree" (instance hierarchy).

Strings-for-display String or List of Strings

Determines how the name of objects of this type will be printed in most places. This defaults to the name-for-display (generally the part's name as specified in its parent), followed by an index number if the part is an element of a sequence.

Visible-children List of GDL Instances

Additional objects to display in Tatu tree. Typically this would be a subset of hiddenchildren. Defaults to NIL.

Computed slots:

Aggregate GDL Instance

In an element of a sequence, this is the container object which holds all elements.

All-mixins List of Symbols

Lists all the superclasses of the type of this object.

Children List of GDL Instances

All objects from the :objects specification, including elements of sequences as flat lists.

Direct-mixins List of Symbols

Lists the direct superclasses of the type of this object.

First? Boolean

For elements of sequences, T iff there is no previous element.

Hidden-children List of GDL Instances

All objects from the :hidden-objects specification, including elements of sequences as flat lists.

Index Integer

Sequential index number for elements of a sequence, NIL for singular objects.

Last? Boolean

For elements of sequences, T iff there is no next element.

Leaf? Boolean

T if this object has no children, NIL otherwise.

Leaves List of GDL Objects

A Collection of the leaf nodes of the given object.

Name-for-display Keyword symbol

The part's simple name, derived from its object specification in the parent or from the type name if this is the root instance.

Next GDL Instance

For elements of sequences, returns the next part in the sequence.

Parent GDL Instance

The parent of this object, or NIL if this is the root object.

Previous GDL Instance

For elements of sequences, returns the previous part in the sequence.

Root-path List of Symbols or of Pairs of Symbol and Integer

Indicates the path through the instance hierarchy from the root to this object. Can be used in conjunction with the follow-root-path GDL function to return the actual instance.

Root-path-local List of Symbols or of Pairs of Symbol and Integer

Indicates the path through the instance hierarchy from the local root to this object. Can be used in conjunction with the follow-root-path GDL function to return the actual instance.

Root? Boolean

T iff this part has NIL as its parent and therefore is the root node.

Safe-children List of GDL Instances

All objects from the :objects specification, including elements of sequences as flat lists. Any children which throw errors come back as a plist with error information

Safe-hidden-children List of GDL Instances

All objects from the :hidden-objects specification, including elements of sequences as flat lists. Any children which throw errors come back as a plist with error information

Type Symbol

The GDL Type of this object.

Gdl functions:

Documentation Plist

Returns the :documentation plist which has been specified the specific part type of this instance.

Follow-root-path GDL Instance

Using this instance as the root, follow the reference chain represented by the given path.

Message-documentation String

This is synonymous with slot-documentation

Message-list List of Keyword Symbols

Returns the messages (slots, objects, and functions) of this object, according to the filtering criteria as specified by the arguments.

Mixins List of Symbols

Returns the names of the immediate superclasses of this object.

Restore-all-defaults! Void

Restores all settable-slots in this instance to their default values.

Restore-slot-default! NIL

Restores the value of the given slot to its default, thus "undoing" any forcibly set value in the slot. Any dependent slots in the tree will respond accordingly when they are next demanded. Note that the slot must be specified as a keyword symbol (i.e. prepended with a colon (":")), otherwise it will be evaluated as a variable according to normal Lisp functional evaluation rules.

Restore-slot-defaults! nil

Restores the value of the given slots to their defaults, thus "undoing" any forcibly set values in the slots. Any dependent slots in the tree will respond accordingly when they are next demanded. Note that the slots must be specified as keyword symbols (i.e. prepended with colons (":")), otherwise they will be evaluated as variables according to normal Lisp functional evaluation rules.

Restore-tree! Void

Restores all settable-slots in this instance, and recursively in all descendant instances, to their default values.

Set-slot! NIL

Forcibly sets the value of the given slot to the given value. The slot must be defined as :settable for this to work properly. Any dependent slots in the tree will respond accordingly when they are next demanded. Note that the slot must be specified as a keyword symbol (i.e. prepended with a colon (":")), otherwise it will be evaluated as a variable according to normal Lisp functional evaluation rules.

Note also that this must not be called (either directly or indirectly) from within the body of a Gendl computed-slot. The caching and dependency tracking mechanism in Gendl will not work properly if this is called from the body of a computed-slot, and furthermore a runtime error will be generated.

Set-slots! NIL

Forcibly sets the value of the given slots to the given values. The slots must be defined as :settable for this to work properly. Any dependent slots in the tree will respond accordingly when they are next demanded. Note that the slots must be specified as a keyword symbols (i.e. prepended with a colon (":")), otherwise they will be evaluated as variables according to normal Lisp functional evaluation rules.

Slot-documentation Plist of Symbols and Strings

Returns the part types and slot documentation which has been specified for the given slot, from most specific to least specific in the CLOS inheritance order. Note that the slot must be specified as a keyword symbol (i.e. prepended with a colon (":")), otherwise it will be evaluated as a variable according to normal Lisp functional evaluation rules.

Slot-source Body of GDL code, in list form

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Slot-status Keyword symbol

Describes the current status of the requested slot:

- 1. :unbound: it has not yet been demanded (this could mean either it has never been demanded, or something it depends on has been modified since the last time it was demanded and eager setting is not enabled).
- 2. :evaluated: it has been demanded and it is currently bound to the default value based on the code.
- 3. :set: (for :settable slots only, which includes all required :input-slots) it has been modified and is currently bound to the value to which it was explicitly set.
- 4. :toplevel: (for root-level object only) its value was passed into the root-level object as a toplevel input at the time of object instantiation.

Update! Void

Uncaches all cached data in slots and objects throughout the instance tree from this node, forcing all code to run again the next time values are demanded. This is useful for updating an existing model or part of an existing model after making changes and recompiling/reloading the code of the underlying definitions. Any set (modified) slot values will, however, be preserved by the update.

Write-snapshot Void

Writes a file containing the toplevel inputs and modified settable-slots starting from the root of the current instance. Typically this file can be read back into the system using the read-snapshot function.

• VARIABLE-SEQUENCE

Mixins: QUANTIFICATION

<u>Description</u> A variable-sequence quantification is generated as a result of specifying : sequence (:indices ...)) in an :objects specification. Unlike a normal sequence quantification (specified with :sequence (:size ...)), elements can be surgically inserted and deleted from a variable-sequence.

Computed slots:

First GDL Object

Returns the first element of the aggregate.

Last GDL Object

Returns the last element of the aggregate.

Gdl functions:

Delete! Void

Deletes the element identified with the given index.

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Insert! Void

Inserts a new element identified with the given index.

Reset! Void

Resets the variable sequence to its default list of indices (i.e. clears out any inserted or deleted elements and re-evaluates the expression to compute the original list of indices)

11.2.2 Function and Macro Definitions

- ALIST2PLIST
- ALWAYS
- APPEND-ELEMENTS [Macro]
- CL-LITE
- CYCLIC-NTH
- DEFAULTING [Macro]
- DEFINE-FORMAT [Macro]
- DEFINE-LENS [Macro]
- DEFINE-OBJECT [Macro]
- DEFINE-OBJECT-AMENDMENT [Macro]
- DIV
- ENSURE-LIST
- FIND-DEPENDANTS
- FIND-DEPENDENCIES
- FIND-MESSAGES-USED-BY
- FIND-MESSAGES-WHICH-USE
- FLATTEN
- FORMAT-SLOT [Macro]
- FROUND-TO-NEAREST
- HALF
- IGNORE-ERRORS-WITH-BACKTRACE [Macro]
- INDEX-FILTER
- ISO-8601-DATE

- LASTCAR
- LEAST
- LIST-ELEMENTS [Macro]
- LIST-OF-NUMBERS
- LOAD-QUICKLISP
- MAKE-KEYWORD
- MAKE-OBJECT
- MAPSEND
- MAPTREE
- MAX-OF-ELEMENTS [Macro]
- MIN-OF-ELEMENTS [Macro]
- MOST
- NEAR-TO?
- NEAR-ZERO?
- NEVER
- NUMBER-FORMAT
- NUMBER-ROUND
- PLIST-KEYS
- PLIST-VALUES
- PRINT-MESSAGES [Macro]
- PRINT-VARIABLES [Macro]
- QUERY-COLLECT
- READ-SAFE-STRING
- READ-SNAPSHOT
- REMOVE-PLIST-ENTRY
- ROUND-TO-NEAREST
- SAFE-FLOAT
- SAFE-SORT

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- SET-FORMAT-SLOT [Macro]
- SPLIT
- STATUS-MESSAGE
- STRING-APPEND
- SUM-ELEMENTS [Macro]
- THE [Macro]
- THE-CHILD [Macro]
- THE-ELEMENT [Macro]
- THE-OBJECT [Macro]
- TWICE
- UNDEFINE-OBJECT
- UNIVERSAL-TIME-FROM-ISO-8601
- WITH-ERROR-HANDLING [Macro]
- WITH-FORMAT [Macro]
- WITH-FORMAT-SLOTS [Macro]
- WRITE-ENV [Macro]
- WRITE-PLIST
- WRITE-THE [Macro]
- WRITE-THE-OBJECT [Macro]
- hat-2

11.2.3 Variables and Constants

- *COLOR-PLIST*
- *COLOR-TABLE*
- *COLOR-TABLE-DECIMAL*
- *COLORS-DEFAULT*
- *COMPILE-CIRCULAR-REFERENCE-DETECTION?*
- *COMPILE-DEPENDENCY-TRACKING?*

- *COMPILE-DOCUMENTATION-DATABASE?*
- *COMPILE-FOR-DGDL?*
- *COMPILE-SOURCE-CODE-DATABASE?*
- *CURVE-CHORDS*
- *ENSURE-LISTS-WHEN-BASHING?*
- *LOAD-DOCUMENTATION-DATABASE?*
- *LOAD-SOURCE-CODE-DATABASE?*
- *OUT-OF-BOUNDS-SEQUENCE-REFERENCE-ACTION*
- *REMEMBER-PREVIOUS-SLOT-VALUES?*
- *ROOT-CHECKING-ENABLED?*
- *RUN-WITH-CIRCULAR-REFERENCE-DETECTION?*
- *RUN-WITH-DEPENDENCY-TRACKING?*
- *SORT-CHILDREN?*
- *UNDECLARED-PARAMETERS-ENABLED?*
- *ZERO-EPSILON*
- +PHI+
- 2PI
- PI/2
- 11.3 GDL-USER
- 11.4 GENDL-DOC
- 11.5 GENWORKS-GDL (Genworks GDL)
- 11.6 GEOM-BASE (Wireframe Geometry)
- 11.6.1 Object Definitions
 - ANGULAR-DIMENSION

Mixins: LINEAR-DIMENSION, VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> This dimensional object produces a clear and concise arc dimensional annotation.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object angular-dimension-test (base-object)
  :objects
  ((arc :type 'arc
        :display-controls (list :color :green )
        :radius 30
        :end-angle (degrees-to-radians 90))
  (dimension :type 'angular-dimension
              :display-controls (list :color :blue )
              :leader-radius (+ (* 0.1 (the arc radius))(the arc radius))
              :arc-object (the arc))
  (explicit-dimension :type 'angular-dimension
                       :center-point (the arc center)
                       :start-point (the arc (point-on-arc (degrees-to-radians 10)))
                       :end-point (the arc (point-on-arc (degrees-to-radians 60))))))
(generate-sample-drawing
 :objects (list
           (the-object (make-object 'angular-dimension-test) arc)
           (the-object (make-object 'angular-dimension-test) dimension)
           (the-object (make-object 'angular-dimension-test) explicit-dimension))
:projection-direction (getf *standard-views* :top))
```

Figure 11.1: Example Code for ANGULAR-DIMENSION

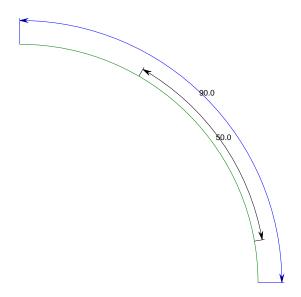


Figure 11.2: ANGULAR-DIMENSION example

Input slots (required):

Arc-object GDL object

The arc being measured.

Input slots (optional):

Center-point 3D Point

The center of the arc being measured.

Dim-text-start 3D Point

Determines where the text will start. Defaults to halfway along the arc, just beyond the radius.

End-point 3D Point

The end point of the arc being measured.

Leader-radius Number

The radius for the leader-arc.

Start-point 3D Point

The start point of the arc being measured.

Text-along-leader-padding-factor Number

Amount of padding above leader for text-along-leader? t. This is multiplied by the character-size to get the actual padding amount. Defaults to 1/3.

Witness-1-to-center? Boolean

Determines whether a witness line extends all the way from the start-point to the center. Defaults to nil.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object arc-sample (arc)
    :computed-slots ((radius 30) (end-angle (half pi/2))))
(generate-sample-drawing :objects (make-object 'arc-sample))
```

Figure 11.3: Example Code for ARC

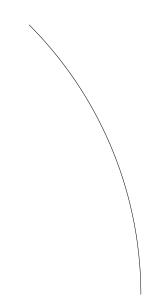


Figure 11.4: ARC example

Witness-2-to-center? Boolean

Determines whether a witness line extends all the way from the end-point to the center. Defaults to nil.

Computed slots:

Dim-value Number

2D distance relative to the base-plane-normal. Can be over-ridden in the subclass

• ARC

Mixins: ARCOID-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> A segment of a circle. The start point is at the 3 o'clock position, and positive angles are measured anti-clockwise.

Input slots (required):

Radius Number

Distance from center to any point on the arc.

Input slots (optional):

End-angle Angle in radians

End angle of the arc. Defaults to twice pi.

Start-angle Angle in radians

Start angle of the arc. Defaults to zero.

Computed slots:

End 3D Point

The end point of the arc.

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Start 3D Point

The start point of the arc.

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Gdl functions:

Equi-spaced-points List of points

Returns a list of points equally spaced around the arc, including the start and end point of the arc.

Point-on-arc 3D Point

The point on the arc at a certain angle from the start.

Tangent 3D Vector

Returns the tangent to the arc at the given point (which should be on the arc).

• ARCOID-MIXIN

Mixins: VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> This object is a low level object used to define an arc like object. It is not recommended to be used directly by GDL common users. For developers it should be used as a mixin.

Input slots (required):

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Radius Number

Distance from center to any point on the arc.

Input slots (optional):

End-angle Angle in radians

End angle of the arc. Defaults to twice pi.

Start-angle Angle in radians

Start angle of the arc. Defaults to zero.

• BASE-COORDINATE-SYSTEM

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> This provides a default 3D Cartesian coordinate system. It mixes in base-object and does not extend it in any way, so as with base-object, it provides an imaginary geometric reference box with a length, width, height, center, and orientation.

• BASE-DRAWING

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> Generic container object for displaying one or more scaled transformed views of geometric or text-based entities. The contained views are generally of type base-view. In a GWL application-mixin, you can include one object of this type in the ui-display-list-leaves.

For the PDF output-format, you can also use the cad-output output-function to write the drawing as a PDF document.

Since base-drawing is inherently a 2D object, only the top view (getf *standard-views* :top) makes sense for viewing it.

Input slots (optional):

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Page-length Number in PDF Points

Front-to-back (or top-to-bottom) length of the paper being represented by this drawing. The default is (* 11 72) points, or 11 inches, corresponding to US standard letter-size paper.

Page-width Number in PDF Points

Left-to-right width of the paper being represented by this drawing. The default is (* 8.5 72) points, or 8.5 inches, corresponding to US standard letter-size paper.

Figure 11.5: Example Code for BASE-DRAWING

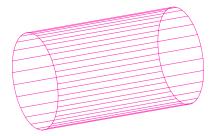


Figure 11.6: BASE-DRAWING example

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

• BASE-OBJECT

Mixins: VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> Base-Object is a superclass of most of GDL's geometric primitives. It provides an imaginary geometric reference box with a length, width, height, center, and orientation.

Input slots (optional):

Bounding-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding the tree of geometric objects rooted at this object.

Image-file Pathname or string

Points to a pre-existing image file to be displayed instead of actual geometry for this object. Defaults to nil

Local-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding this geometric object.

Obliqueness 3x3 Orthonormal Matrix of Double-Float Numbers

This is synonymous with the orientation.

Onclick-function Lambda function of zero arguments, or nil

If non-nil, this function gets invoked when the user clicks the object in graphics front-ends which support this functionality, e.g. SVG/Raphael and X3DOM.

Input slots (optional, defaulting):

Center 3D Point

Indicates in global coordinates where the center of the reference box of this object should be located.

Display-controls Plist

May contain keywords and values indicating display characteristics for this object. The following keywords are recognized currently:

- **:color** color keyword from the *color-table* parameter, or an HTML-style hexidecimal RGB string value, e.g. "#FFFFFF" for pure white. Defaults to :black.
- :line-thickness an integer, defaulting to 1, indicating relative line thickness for wire-frame representations of this object.
- :dash-pattern (currently PDF/PNG/JPEG only). This is a list of two or three numbers which indicate the length, in pixels, of the dashes and blank spaces in a dashed line. The optional third number indicates how far into the line or curve to start the dash pattern.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
 (define-object tower (base-object)
  :input-slots
   ((number-of-blocks 50) (twist-per-block 1)
    (block-height 1) (block-width 5) (block-length 7))
  :objects
   ((blocks :type 'box
            :sequence (:size (the number-of-blocks))
            :center (translate (the center)
                                :up (* (the-child index)
                                       (the-child height)))
            :width (the block-width)
            :height (the block-height)
            :length (the block-length)
            :orientation (alignment
                          :rear (if (the-child first?)
                                     (rotate-vector-d (the (face-normal-vector :rear))
                                                      (the twist-per-block)
                                                      (the (face-normal-vector :top)))
                                     (rotate-vector-d (the-child previous
                                                      (face-normal-vector :rear))
                                                      (the twist-per-block)
                                                      (the (face-normal-vector :top))))
                          :top (the (face-normal-vector :top))))))
;;Test run
;;
#|
gdl-user(46): (setq self (make-object 'tower))
#tower @ #x750666f2
gdl-user(47): (setq test-center (the (blocks 10) center))
#(0.0 0.0 10.0)
gdl-user(48): (the (blocks 10) (global-to-local test-center))
#(0.0 0.0 0.0)
gdl-user(49): (the (blocks 10) (local-to-global (the (blocks 10)
                                                 (global-to-local test-center))))
#(0.0 0.0 10.0)
gdl-user(50):
gdl-user(50): (setq test-vertex (the (blocks 10) (vertex :top :right :rear)))
#(1.7862364748012536 3.9127176305081863 10.5)
gdl-user(51): (the (blocks 10) (global-to-local test-vertex))
#(2.50000000000001 3.500000000000001 0.5)
gdl-user(52): (the (blocks 10) (local-to-global (the (blocks 10)
                                                 (global-to-local test-vertex))))
#(1.786236474801254 3.9127176305081877 10.5)
gdl-user(53):
|#
;;
;;
;;
```

Figure 11.7: Example Code for BASE-OBJECT

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Orientation 3x3 Matrix of Double-Float Numbers

Indicates the absolute Rotation Matrix used to create the coordinate system of this object. This matrix is given in absolute terms (i.e. with respect to the root's orientation), and is generally created with the alignment function. It should be an iorthonormal matrix, meaning each row is a vector with a magnitude of one (1.0).

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Computed slots:

Color-decimal Vector of three real numbers

The RBG color of this object specified in :display-controls. Defaults to the foreground color specified in *colors-default*. This message should not normally be overridden in user application code.

Local-center 3D Point

The center of this object, from the perspective of the parent. Starting from the parent's center and using the parent's orientation, this is the relative center of this object.

Local-center* 3D Point

The center of this object, from the perspective of the parent. Starting from the parent's center and using the parent's orientation, this is the relative center of this object.

Local-orientation 3x3 Matrix of Double-Float Numbers

Indicates the local Rotation Matrix used to create the coordinate system of this object. This is the "local" orientation with respect to the parent. Multiplying the parent's orientation with this matrix will always result in the absolute orientation for this part.

Hidden objects:

Bounding-bbox GDL object of type Box

A box representing the bounding-box.

Local-bbox GDL object of type Box

A box representing the local-box.

Gdl functions:

Axis-vector 3D Vector

Returns the vector pointing in the positive direction of the specified axis of this object's reference box.

Edge-center 3D Point

Returns the center of the requested edge of this object's reference box.

Face-center 3D Point

Returns the center of the requested face of this object's reference box.

Face-normal-vector 3D Vector

Returns the vector pointing from this object's reference box center to its requested facecenter.

Face-vertices List of four 3D points

Returns the vertices of the indicated face.

Global-to-local 3D-point

This function returns the point given in global coordinates, into relative local coordinates, based on the orientation and center of the object to which the global-to-local message is sent.

In-face? Boolean

Returns non-nil if the given point is in halfspace defined by the plane given a point and direction.

Line-intersection-points List of 3D points

Returns the points of intersection between given line and the reference box of this object.

Local-to-global 3D-point

This function returns the point given in relative local coordinates, converted into global coordinates, based on the orientation and center of the object to which the local-to-global message is sent.

Vertex 3D Point

Returns the center of the requested vertex (corner) of this object's reference box.

• BASE-VIEW

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> Generic container object for displaying a scaled transformed view of geometric or text-based objects. Base-view can be used by itself or as a child of a base-drawing In a GWL application-mixin, you can include an object of this type in the ui-display-list-leaves.

For the PDF output-format, you can also use the cad-output output-function to write the view as a PDF document.

Since base-view is inherently a 2D object, only the top view (getf *standard-views* :top) makes sense for viewing it.

Input slots (optional):

Annotation-objects List of GDL objects

These objects will be displayed in each view by default, with no scaling or transform (i.e. they are in Drawing space.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object box-with-two-viewed-drawing (base-object)
  :objects
  ((drawing :type 'two-viewed-drawing
            :objects (list (the box) (the length-dim)))
  (length-dim :type 'horizontal-dimension
               :hidden? t
               :start-point (the box (vertex :rear :top :left))
               :end-point (the box (vertex :rear :top :right)))
  (box :type 'box
        :hidden? t
        :length 5 :width 10 :height 15)))
(define-object two-viewed-drawing (base-drawing)
  :input-slots (objects)
  :objects
  ((main-view :type 'base-view
              :projection-vector (getf *standard-views* :trimetric)
              :length (half (the length))
              :center (translate (the center)
                                 :rear (half (the-child length)))
              :objects (the objects))
  (top-view :type 'base-view
             :projection-vector (getf *standard-views* :top)
             :length (* 0.30 (the length))
             :objects (the objects))))
  (generate-sample-drawing :objects
  (the-object (make-object 'box-with-two-viewed-drawing) drawing top-view))
```

Figure 11.8: Example Code for BASE-VIEW

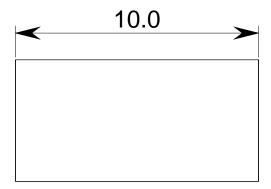


Figure 11.9: BASE-VIEW example

Border-box? Boolean

Determines whether a rectangular border box is drawn around the view, with the view's length and width. Defaults to nil.

Center 3D-point

Center of the view box. Specify this or corner, not both.

Corner 3D-point

Top left (i.e. rear left from top view) of the view box. Specify this or center, not both.

Front-margin Number in Drawing scale (e

g. points). Amount of margin on front and rear of page when view-scale is to be computed automatically. Defaults to 25.

Immune-objects List of GDL objects

These objects are immune from view scaling and transform computations and so can freely refer to the view-scale, view-center, and other view information for self-scaling views. Defaults to NIL.

Left-margin Number in Drawing scale (e

g. points). Amount of margin on left and right of page when view-scale is to be computed automatically. Defaults to 25.

Object-roots List of GDL objects

The leaves from each of these objects will be displayed in each view by default.

Objects List of GDL objects

These objects will be displayed in each view by default.

Projection-vector 3D Unitized Vector

Direction of camera pointing to model (the object-roots and/or the objects) to create this view. The view is automatically "twisted" about this vector to result in "up" being as close as possible to the Z vector, unless this vector is parallel to the Z vector in which case "up" is taken to be the Y (rear) vector. This vector is normally taken from the *standard-views* built-in GDL parameter. Defaults to (getf *standard-views* :top), which is the vector [0, 0, 1].

Snap-to 3D Vector

For a top view, this vector specifies the direction that the rear of the box should be facing. Defaults to *nominal-y-vector*.

View-center 3D Point in Model space

Point relative to each object's center to use as center of the view.

View-scale Number

Ratio of drawing scale (in points) to model scale for this view. Defaults to being auto-computed.

Gdl functions:

Model-point 3D Point

Takes point in view coordinates and returns corresponding point in model coordinates.

View-point 3D Point

Takes point in model coordinates and returns corresponding point in view coordinates.

• BEZIER-CURVE

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

Description GDL currently supports third-degree Bezier curves, which are defined using four 3D icontrol-points. The Bezier curve always passes through the first and last control points and lies within the convex hull of the control points. At the start point (i.e. the first control point), the curve is tangent to the vector pointing from the start point to the second control point. At the end point (i.e. the last control point), the curve is tangent to the vector pointing from the end point to the third control point.

Input slots (required):

Control-points List of 4 3D Points

Specifies the control points for the Bezier curve.

Computed slots:

Bounding-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding the tree of geometric objects rooted at this object.

Figure 11.10: Example Code for BEZIER-CURVE

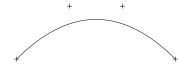


Figure 11.11: BEZIER-CURVE example

Figure 11.12: Example Code for BOX

Gdl functions:

Circle-intersection-2d List of 3D points

Returns points of intersection in the Z plane between this Bezier curve and the circle in the Z plane with center center and radius radius.

Line-intersection-2d List of 3D points

Returns points of intersection in the Z plane between this Bezier curve and the infinite line containing point point and direction vector. Use the between? function if you wish to establish whether the point is contained in a particular line segment.

Point 3D Point

Returns the point on this Bezier curve corresponding to the given parameter, which should be between 0 and 1.

• BOX

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> This represents a "visible" base-object – a six-sided box with all the same messages as base-object, which knows how to output itself in various formats.

Computed slots:

Volume Number

Total volume of the box.

• C-CYLINDER

Mixins: CYLINDER

<u>Description</u> Provides a simple way to create a cylinder, by specifying a start point and an end point.

Input slots (required):

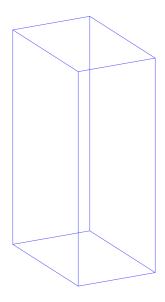


Figure 11.13: BOX example

Figure 11.14: Example Code for C-CYLINDER

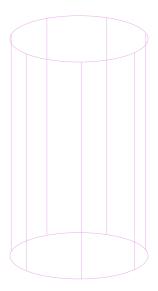


Figure 11.15: C-CYLINDER example

End 3D Point

Center of the end cap.

Start 3D Point

Center of the start cap.

Computed slots:

Center 3D Point

Center point of the center-line.

Center-line List of two 3D Points

Represents line segment connecting center of end cap to center of start cap.

Length Number

Distance between cap centers.

Orientation 3x3 Orthonormal Rotation Matrix

Resultant orientation given the specified start and end points.

• CENTER-LINE

Mixins: OUTLINE-SPECIALIZATION-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

Description Creates a dashed single centerline or crosshair centerline on a circle.

Input slots (required):

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object center-line-test (base-object)
:objects
((circle-sample :type 'circle
                 :display-controls (list :color :green)
                 :center (make-point 10 10 10 )
                 :radius 10)
 (center-line-sample :type 'center-line
                      :circle? t
                      :center (the circle-sample center)
                      :size (* 2.1 (the circle-sample radius)))))
 (generate-sample-drawing
:objects (list
           (the-object (make-object 'center-line-test)
                       circle-sample)
           (the-object (make-object 'center-line-test)
                       center-line-sample))
:projection-direction (getf *standard-views* :top))
```

Figure 11.16: Example Code for CENTER-LINE

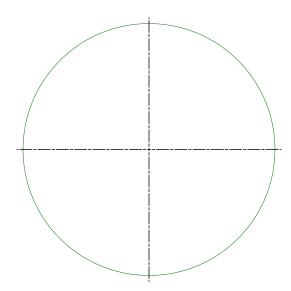


Figure 11.17: CENTER-LINE example

Size Number

The length of the centerline.

Input slots (optional):

Circle? Boolean

Determines whether this will be a circle crosshair. Defaults to nil.

Input slots (optional, defaulting):

Gap-length Number

Distance between dashed line segments. Defaults to 0.1.

Long-segment-length Number

Length of longer dashed line segments. Defaults to 1.0.

Short-segment-length Number

Length of shorter dashed line segments. Defaults to 0.25.

Computed slots:

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

• CIRCLE

Mixins: ARC

<u>Description</u> The set of points equidistant from a given point. The distance from the center is called the radius, and the point is called the center. The start point of the circle is at the 3 o'clock position, and positive angles are measured anti-clockwise.

Computed slots:

Area Number

The area enclosed by the circle.

Circumference Number

The perimeter of the circle.

End-angle Angle in radians

End angle of the arc. Defaults to twice pi.

Start-angle Angle in radians

Start angle of the arc. Defaults to zero.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)

(define-object circle-sample (circle)
    :computed-slots
    ((radius 10)))

(generate-sample-drawing :objects (make-object 'circle-sample))
```

Figure 11.18: Example Code for CIRCLE

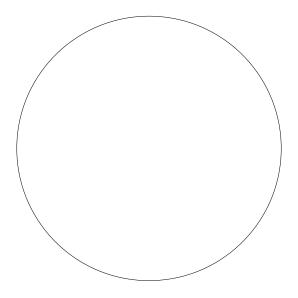


Figure 11.19: CIRCLE example

Figure 11.20: Example Code for CONE

• CONE

Mixins: CYLINDER

<u>Description</u> A pyramid with a circular cross section, with its vertex above the center of its base. Partial cones and hollow cones are supported.

Input slots (optional):

Inner-radius-1 Number

The radius of the inner hollow part at the top end for a hollow cone.

Inner-radius-2 Number

The radius of the inner hollow part at the bottom end for a hollow cone.

Radius-1 Number

The radius of the top end of the cone.

Radius-2 Number

The radius of the bottom end of the cone.

Computed slots:

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

• CONSTRAINED-ARC

Mixins: ARC

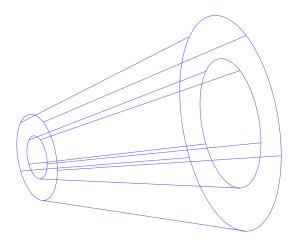


Figure 11.21: CONE example

<u>Description</u> This object is intended to simplify the process of constructing lines using various constraints. Currently supported are 2 through-points or 1 through-point and at-angle. Note the line-constraints must be an evaluatable s-expression as this is not processed as a macro

Computed slots:

Center 3D Point

Indicates in global coordinates where the center of the reference box of this object should be located.

Orientation 3x3 Matrix of Double-Float Numbers

Indicates the absolute Rotation Matrix used to create the coordinate system of this object. This matrix is given in absolute terms (i.e. with respect to the root's orientation), and is generally created with the alignment function. It should be an iorthonormal matrix, meaning each row is a vector with a magnitude of one (1.0).

Radius Number

Distance from center to any point on the arc.

• CONSTRAINED-FILLET

Mixins: CONSTRAINED-ARC

<u>Description</u> This object is the same as constrained-arc, but it is only meaningful for arc-constraints which contain two :tangent-to clauses, and it automatically trims the result to each point of tangency

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Computed slots:

End-angle Angle in radians

End angle of the arc. Defaults to twice pi.

Start-angle Angle in radians

Start angle of the arc. Defaults to zero.

• CONSTRAINED-LINE

Mixins: LINE

<u>Description</u> This object is intended to simplify the process of constructing lines using various constraints. Currently supported are 2 through-points or 1 through-point and at-angle. Note the line-constraints must be an evaluatable s-expression as this is not processed as a macro

Computed slots:

End 3D Point

The end point of the line, in global coordinates.

Start 3D Point

The start point of the line, in global coordinates.

Gdl functions:

Tangent-point Icad Compat function

• CYLINDER

Mixins: IFS-OUTPUT-MIXIN, ARCOID-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> An extrusion of circular cross section in which the centers of the circles all lie on a single line (i.e., a right circular cylinder). Partial cylinders and hollow cylinders are supported.

Input slots (required):

Length Number

Distance from center of start cap to center of end cap.

Radius Number

Radius of the circular cross section of the cylinder.

Input slots (optional):

Bottom-cap? Boolean

Determines whether to include bottom cap in shaded renderings. Defaults to T.

Figure 11.22: Example Code for CYLINDER

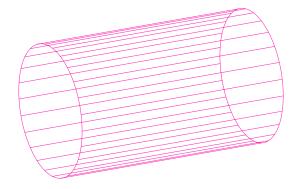


Figure 11.23: CYLINDER example

Closed? Boolean

Indicates that a partial cylinder (or cone) should have a closed gap.

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Inner-radius Number

Radius of the hollow inner portion for a hollow cylinder.

Number-of-sections Integer

Number of vertical sections to be drawn in wireframe rendering mode.

Top-cap? Boolean

Determines whether to include bottom cap in shaded renderings. Defaults to T.

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Computed slots:

Direction-vector 3D Vector

Points from the start to the end.

End 3D Point

The center of the end cap.

Hollow? Boolean

Indicates whether there is an inner-radius and thus the cylinder is hollow.

Start 3D Point

The center of the start cap.

• ELLIPSE

Mixins: ARCOID-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> A curve which is the locus of all points in the plane the sum of whose distances from two fixed points (the foci) is a given positive constant. This is a simplified 3D ellipse which will snap to the nearest quarter if you make it a partial ellipse. For a full ellipse, do not specify start-angle or end-angle.

Input slots (required):

Major-axis-length Number

Length of (generally) the longer ellipse axis

Minor-axis-length Number

Length of (generally) the shorter ellipse axis

Input slots (optional):

```
(in-package :gdl-user)

(define-object ellipse-sample (ellipse)
    :computed-slots
    ((minor-axis-length 10)
        (major-axis-length (* (the minor-axis-length) +phi+))
        (start-angle 0)
        (end-angle pi)))

(generate-sample-drawing :objects (make-object 'ellipse-sample))
```

Figure 11.24: Example Code for ELLIPSE



Figure 11.25: ELLIPSE example

End-angle Angle in Radians

End angle of the ellipse. Defaults to 2pi for full ellipse.

Start-angle Angle in Radians

Start angle of the ellipse. Defaults to 0 for full ellipse.

Computed slots:

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

• GENERAL-NOTE

Mixins: OUTLINE-SPECIALIZATION-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

Description Creates a text note in the graphical view port and in a PDF DXF output file.

Input slots (optional):

Center 3D-point

Center of the text. Specify this or start, not both.

Character-size Number

Specifies the character size in drawing units.

Dxf-font String

This names the DXF font for this general-note. Defaults to (the font).

Dxf-offset Number

The start of text will be offset by this amount for DXF output. Default is 0.

Dxf-size-ratio Number

The scale factor for DXF character size vs PDF character size. Default is 0.8

Dxf-text-x-scale Number in Percentage

Adjusts the character width for DXF output. Defaults to the text-x-scale.

Font String

The font for PDF. Possibilities for built-in PDF fonts are:

- courier
- courier-bold
- courier-boldoblique
- courier-oblique
- helvetica

```
(define-object general-note-test (base-object)
:computed-slots
((blocks-note
 (list
  "David Brown" "Created by" "ABC 2"
  "Jane Smith" "Approved by" "CCD 2"))
 (blocks-center
  (list '(-15 5 0) '(-40 5 0) '(-55 5 0)
         '(-15 15 0) '(-40 15 0) '(-55 15 0)))
 (blocks-width (list 30 20 10 30 20 10)))
:objects
((title-block :type 'box
               :sequence (:size (length (the blocks-center)))
               :display-controls (list :color :red)
               :center (apply-make-point
                        (nth (the-child index )
                             (the blocks-center)))
               :length 10
               :width (nth (the-child index )
                           (the blocks-width))
               :height 0)
 (general-note-sample :type 'general-note
                       :sequence (:size (length (the blocks-note)))
                       :center (the (title-block
                                     (the-child index)) center)
                       :character-size 2.5
                       :strings (nth (the-child index)
                                     (the blocks-note)))))
(generate-sample-drawing
:objects (list-elements (make-object 'general-note-test))
:projection-direction (getf *standard-views* :top))
```

Figure 11.26: Example Code for GENERAL-NOTE

CCD 2	Approved by	Jane Smith
ABC 2	Created by	David Brown

Figure 11.27: GENERAL-NOTE example

- helvetica-bold
- helvetica-boldoblique
- helvetica-oblique
- symbol
- times-roman
- times-bold
- times-bolditalic
- times-italic
- zapfdingbats

Defaults to "Courier".

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Justification Keyword symbol, :left, :right, or :center

Justifies text with its box. Default is :left.

Leading Number

Space between lines of text. Default is 1.2 times the character size.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Outline-shape-type Keyword symbol

Currently can be :bubble, :rectangle, or :none. Default is :none.

Start 3D-point

Start of the text. Specify this or center, not both.

Strings List of Strings

The text to be displayed in the note.

Text-x-scale Number in Percentage

Adjusts the character width for PDF output. Defaults to 100.

Underline? Boolean

Determines whether text is underlined.

Width Number

Determines the width of the containing box. Default is the maximum-text-width.

Computed slots:

Maximum-text-width Number

Convienence computation giving the maximum input width required to keep one line per string

• GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYGON-PROJECTION

Mixins: GLOBAL-POLYGON-PROJECTION

<u>Description</u> Similar to a global-polygon-projection, but the polygon is filleted as with global-filleted-polygon.

Input slots (optional):

Default-radius Number

Specifies a radius to use for all vertices. Radius-list will take precedence over this.

Radius-list List of Numbers

Specifies the radius for each vertex ("corner") of the filleted-polyline.

• GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYLINE

Mixins: GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYLINE-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> A sequence of points connected by straight line segments, whose corners are filleted according to specified radii. Please see global-filleted-polyline-mixin for documentation on the messages.

• GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYLINE-MIXIN

Mixins: GLOBAL-POLYLINE-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> Generates a polyline with the corners filleted according to default radius or the radius-list.

Input slots (required):

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object global-filleted-polygon-projection-sample
   (global-filleted-polygon-projection)
   :computed-slots
   ((display-controls (list :color :blue-steel
                             :transparency 0.3
                             :shininess 0.7
                             :spectral-color :white))
     (default-radius 5)
     (projection-depth 5)
     (vertex-list (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                        (make-point 10 10 0)
                        (make-point 30 10 0)
                        (make-point 40 0 0)
                        (make-point 30 -10 0)
                        (make-point 10 -10 0)
                        (make-point 0 0 0)))))
(generate-sample-drawing :objects
                         (make-object 'global-filleted-polygon-projection-sample)
                         :projection-direction :trimetric)
```

Figure 11.28: Example Code for GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYGON-PROJECTION

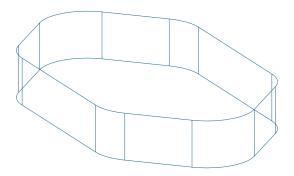


Figure 11.29: GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYGON-PROJECTION example

Figure 11.30: Example Code for GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYLINE

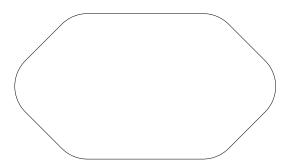


Figure 11.31: GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYLINE example

Vertex-list List of 3D Points

The vertices ("corners") of the polyline.

Input slots (optional):

Closed? Boolean

Controls whether the filleted-polyline should automatically be closed.

Default-radius Number

Specifies a radius to use for all vertices. Radius-list will take precedence over this.

Radius-list List of Numbers

Specifies the radius for each vertex ("corner") of the filleted-polyline.

Computed slots:

Straights List of pairs of 3D points

Each pair represents the start and end of each straight segment of the filleted-polyline.

Hidden objects (sequence):

Fillets Sequence of fillets

Each fillet is essentially an arc representing the curved elbow of the filleted-polyline.

• GLOBAL-POLYGON-PROJECTION

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT, IFS-OUTPUT-MIXIN

Figure 11.32: Example Code for GLOBAL-POLYGON-PROJECTION

<u>Description</u> A polygon "extruded" for a given distance along a single vector. For planar polygons, the projection vector must not be orthogonal to the normal of the plane of the polygon. The vertices and projection-vector are given in the global coordinate system, so the local center and orientation do not affect the positioning or orientation of this part.

Input slots (required):

Projection-depth Number

The resultant distance from the two end faces of the extrusion.

Vertex-list List of 3D points

The vertex list making up the polyline, same as the input for global-polyline.

Input slots (optional):

Offset Keyword symbol

The direction of extrusion with respect to the vertices in vertex-list and the projection-vector:

- :up Indicates to start from current location of vertices and move in the direction of the projection-vector.
- :down Indicates to start from current location of vertices and move in the direction opposite the projection-vector.
- :center Indicates to start from current location of vertices and move in the direction of the projection-vector and opposite the projection-vector, going half the projection-depth in each direction.

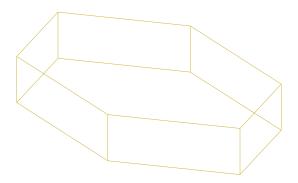


Figure 11.33: GLOBAL-POLYGON-PROJECTION example

Projection-vector 3D Vector

Indicates the straight path along which the extrusion should occur.

Computed slots:

Bounding-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding the tree of geometric objects rooted at this object.

• GLOBAL-POLYLINE

Mixins: GLOBAL-POLYLINE-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> A sequence of points connected by straight line segments. Please see global-polyline-mixin for documentation on the messages.

• GLOBAL-POLYLINE-MIXIN

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

Description Makes a connected polyline with vertices connected by straight line segments.

Input slots (required):

Vertex-list List of 3D Points

The vertices ("corners") of the polyline.

Figure 11.34: Example Code for GLOBAL-POLYLINE

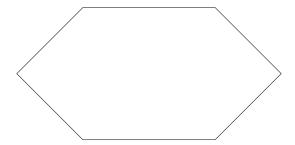


Figure 11.35: GLOBAL-POLYLINE example

Figure 11.36: Example Code for HORIZONTAL-DIMENSION

Computed slots:

Bounding-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding the tree of geometric objects rooted at this object.

Lines List of pairs of 3D points

Each pair represents the start and end of each line segment in the polyline.

• HORIZONTAL-DIMENSION

Mixins: LINEAR-DIMENSION, VANILLA-MIXIN

Description Creates a dimension annotation along the horizontal axis.

Input slots (optional):

Base-plane-normal Must be specified in the subclass except for angular

Dim-text-start 3D Point

Determines where the text will start. Defaults to reasonable location for horizontaldimension.

Computed slots:

Leader-direction-1-vector Must be specified in the subclass except for angular Leader-direction-2-vector Must be specified in the subclass except for angular Witness-direction-vector Must be specified in the subclass except for angular

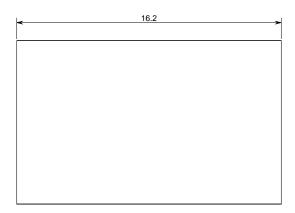


Figure 11.37: HORIZONTAL-DIMENSION example

• LABEL

Mixins: OUTLINE-SPECIALIZATION-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

Description Produces a text label for graphical output

Input slots (required):

Leader-path List of 3D Points

List making up leader line, starting from where the arrowhead normally is.

Input slots (optional):

Arrowhead-length Length (from tip to tail) of arrowhead glyph

Defaults to twice the arrowhead-width

Arrowhead-style Keyword Symbol

Style for arrowhead at start of leader-path. Currently supported values are :none, :wedge (the Default), and :double-wedge.

Arrowhead-style-2 Keyword Symbol

Style for arrowhead on end of leader-path. Currently supported values are :none (the Default), :wedge, and :double-wedge.

Arrowhead-width Width of arrowhead glyph

Defaults to five times the line thickness (2.5)

Character-size Number

Size (glyph height) of the label text, in model units. Defaults to 10.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object label-sample (base-object)
  :objects
  ((box :type 'box
        :length 10 :width (* (the-child length) +phi+)
        :height (* (the-child :width) +phi+))
   (corner-label :type 'label
                 :leader-path (let ((start (the box (vertex :top :right :rear))))
                               (list start
                                     (translate start :right (/ (the box width) 10)
                                                      :rear (/ (the box width) 10))
                                     (translate start :right (/ (the box width) 7)
                                                      :rear (/ (the box width) 10))))
                 :text "The Corner"
                 :character-size (/ (the box width) 15))))
(generate-sample-drawing :object-roots (make-object 'label-sample))
```

Figure 11.38: Example Code for LABEL

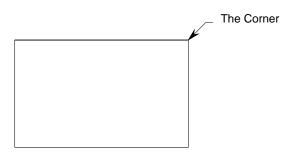


Figure 11.39: LABEL example

Dxf-font String

This names the DXF font for this general-note. Defaults to (the font).

Dxf-offset Number

The start of text will be offset by this amount for DXF output. Default is 2.

Dxf-size-ratio Number

The scale factor for DXF character size vs PDF character size. Default is 0.8

Dxf-text-x-scale Number in Percentage

Adjusts the character width for DXF output. Defaults to the text-x-scale.

Font String naming a standard PDF font

Font for the label text. Defaults to "Helvetica"

Outline-shape-type Keyword Symbol

Indicates shape of outline enclosing the text. Currently :none, :bubble, :rectangle, and nil are supported. The default is nil

Strings List of strings

Text lines to be displayed as the label. Specify this or text, not both.

Text String

Text to be displayed as the label

Text-gap Number

Amount of space between last point in leader-path and beginning of the label text. Defaults to the width of the letter "A" in the specified font and character-size.

Text-side Keyword Symbol, either :left or :right

Determines whether the label text sits to the right or the left of the last point in the leader-path. The default is computed based on the direction of the last segment of the leader-path.

View-reference-object GDL object or NIL

View object which will use this dimension. Defaults to NIL.

Computed slots:

Orientation 3x3 Matrix of Double-Float Numbers

Indicates the absolute Rotation Matrix used to create the coordinate system of this object. This matrix is given in absolute terms (i.e. with respect to the root's orientation), and is generally created with the alignment function. It should be an iorthonormal matrix, meaning each row is a vector with a magnitude of one (1.0).

• LEADER-LINE

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

Description Creates a leader line with arrows on zero, one, or both ends

Input slots (required):

Path-points List of 3D Points

Leader-line is rendered as a polyline going through these points.

Input slots (optional):

Arrowhead-length Number

The length of the arrows. Defaults to (* (the arrowhead-width) 2)

Arrowhead-style Keyword

Controls the style of first arrowhead. Currently only :wedge is supported. Default is :wedge.

Arrowhead-style-2 Keyword

Controls the style and presence of second arrowhead. Currently only :wedge is supported. Default is :none.

Arrowhead-width Number

The width of the arrows. Defaults to (* (the line-thickness) 5).

Break-points List of two points or nil

. The start and end of the break in the leader line to accommodate the dimension-text, in cases where there is overlap.

Computed slots:

Display-controls Plist

May contain keywords and values indicating display characteristics for this object. The following keywords are recognized currently:

:color color keyword from the *color-table* parameter, or an HTML-style hexidecimal RGB string value, e.g. "#FFFFFF" for pure white. Defaults to :black.

:line-thickness an integer, defaulting to 1, indicating relative line thickness for wire-frame representations of this object.

:dash-pattern (currently PDF/PNG/JPEG only). This is a list of two or three numbers which indicate the length, in pixels, of the dashes and blank spaces in a dashed line. The optional third number indicates how far into the line or curve to start the dash pattern.

• LINE

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> Provides a simple way to create a line, by specifying a start point and an end point.

Input slots (required):

End 3D Point

The end point of the line, in global coordinates.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)

(define-object line-sample (line)
    :computed-slots
  ((start (make-point -10 -10 0))
      (end (make-point 10 10 0))))

(generate-sample-drawing :objects (make-object 'line-sample))
```

Figure 11.40: Example Code for LINE

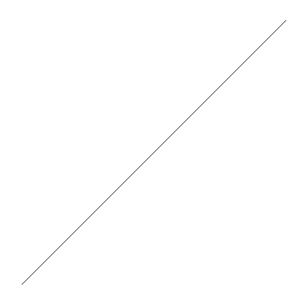


Figure 11.41: LINE example

Start 3D Point

The start point of the line, in global coordinates.

Computed slots:

Bounding-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding the tree of geometric objects rooted at this object.

Center 3D Point

The center of the line.

Direction-vector 3D Vector

Points from start to end of the line.

Length Number

The distance from start to end of the line.

• LINEAR-DIMENSION

Mixins: OUTLINE-SPECIALIZATION-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> Creates a dimension along either the horizontal, vertical, or an arbitray axis.

Use horizontal-dimension, vertical-dimension, or parallel-dimension, respectively, to achieve these.

Input slots (required):

Base-plane-normal Must be specified in the subclass except for angular

End-point 3D Point

Actual point where the dimension will stop measuring

Leader-direction-1-vector Must be specified in the subclass except for angular

Leader-direction-2-vector Must be specified in the subclass except for angular

Start-point 3D Point

Actual point where the dimension will start measuring

Witness-direction-vector Must be specified in the subclass except for angular

Input slots (optional):

Arrowhead-length Length (from tip to tail) of arrowhead glyph

Defaults to twice the arrowhead-width

Arrowhead-style Keyword Symbol

Style for arrowhead on end of leader-line. Currently supported values are :none, :wedge (the Default), and :double-wedge.

Arrowhead-style-2 Keyword Symbol

Style for arrowhead on end of leader-line. Currently supported values are :none (the Default), :wedge, and :double-wedge.

Arrowhead-width Width of arrowhead glyph

Defaults to half the character-size.

Character-size Number

Size (glyph height) of the label text, in model units. Defaults to 1.

Dim-text String

Determines the text which shows up as the dimension label. Defaults to the dim-value, which is computed specially in each specific dimension type.

Dim-text-bias Keyword symbol, :start, :end, or :center

Indicates where to position the text in the case when

outside-leaders? is non-nil. Defaults to :center

Dim-text-start 3D Point

Determines where the text will start. Defaults to halfway between start-point and endpoint.

Dim-text-start-offset 3D Vector (normally only 2D are used)

. The dim-text-start is offset by this vector, in model space. Defaults to $\#(0.0\ 0.0\ 0.0)$

Dim-value Number

2D distance relative to the base-plane-normal. Can be over-ridden in the subclass

Dxf-font String

This names the DXF font for this general-note. Defaults to (the font).

Dxf-offset Number

The start of text will be offset by this amount for DXF output. Default is 2.

Dxf-size-ratio Number

The scale factor for DXF character size vs PDF character size. Default is 0.8

Dxf-text-x-scale Number in Percentage

Adjusts the character width for DXF output. Defaults to the text-x-scale.

Flip-leaders? Boolean

Indicates which direction the witness lines should take from the start and end points. The Default is NIL, which indicates :rear (i.e. "up") for horizontal-dimensions and :right for vertical-dimensions

Font String naming a standard PDF font

Font for the label text. Defaults to "Helvetica"

Full-leader-line-length Number

Indicates the length of the full leader when outside-leaders? is nil. This defaults to nil, which indicates that the full-leader's length should be auto-computed based on the given start-point and end-point.

Justification Keyword symbol, :left, :right, or :center

. For multi-line dim-text, this justification is applied.

Leader-1? Boolean

Indicates whether the first (or only) leader line should be displayed. The Default is T

Leader-2? Boolean

Indicates whether the second leader line should be displayed. The Default is T

Leader-line-length Number

Indicates the length of the first leader for the case when outside-leaders? is non-NIL

Leader-line-length-2 Number

Indicates the length of the second leader for the case when outside-leaders? is non-NIL

Leader-text-gap Number

Amount of gap between leader lines and dimension text, when the dimension text is within the leader. Defaults to half the character-size.

Orientation 3x3 Matrix of Double-Float Numbers

Indicates the absolute Rotation Matrix used to create the coordinate system of this object. This matrix is given in absolute terms (i.e. with respect to the root's orientation), and is generally created with the alignment function. It should be an iorthonormal matrix, meaning each row is a vector with a magnitude of one (1.0).

Outline-shape-type Keyword symbol

Currently can be :bubble, :rectangle, or :none. Default is :none.

${\bf Outside\text{-}leaders\text{-}length\text{-}factor}\ \textit{Number}$

Indicates the default length of the outside-leaders as a multiple of arrowhead-length. Defaults to 3.

Outside-leaders? Boolean

Indicates whether the leader line(s) should be inside or outside the interval between the start and end points. The default is NIL, which indicates that the leader line(s) should be inside the interval

Text-above-leader? Boolean

Indicates whether the text is to the right or above the leader line, rather than in-line with it. Default is T.

Text-along-axis? Boolean

Where applicable, determines whether text direction follows leader-line direction

Text-x-scale Number in Percentage

Adjusts the character width for the dimension-text and currently only applies only to PDF output

Underline? GDL

View-reference-object GDL object or NIL

View object which will use this dimension. Defaults to NIL.

Witness-line-2? Boolean

Indicates whether to display a witness line coming off the end-point. Default is T

Witness-line-ext Number

Distance the witness line(s) extend beyond the leader line. Default is 0.3

Figure 11.42: Example Code for PARALLEL-DIMENSION

${\bf Witness\text{-}line\text{-}gap}\ \textit{Number}$

Distance from the start-point and end-point to the start of each witness-line. Default is 0.1

Witness-line-length Number

Length of the witness lines (or of the shorter witness line in case they are different lengths)

Witness-line? Boolean

Indicates whether to display a witness line coming off the start-point. Default is T

• PARALLEL-DIMENSION

Mixins: LINEAR-DIMENSION

<u>Description</u> Creates a dimension annotation along an axis from a start point to an end point.

Input slots (optional):

Dim-text-start 3D Point

Determines where the text will start. Defaults to reasonable location for horizontaldimension.

Computed slots:

Base-plane-normal Must be specified in the subclass except for angular

Leader-direction-1-vector Must be specified in the subclass except for angular

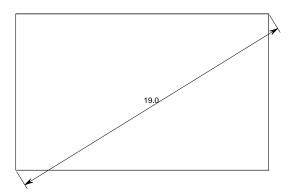


Figure 11.43: PARALLEL-DIMENSION example

Leader-direction-2-vector Must be specified in the subclass except for angular Witness-direction-vector Must be specified in the subclass except for angular

• PIE-CHART

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

Description Generates a standard Pie Chart with colored filled pie sections.

This object was inspired by the pie-chart in Marc Battyani's (marc.battyani(at)fractalconcept.com) cl-pdf, with contributions from Carlos Ungil (Carlos.Ungil(at)cern.ch).

Input slots (optional):

Data List of Numbers

The relative size for each pie piece. These will be normalized to percentages. Defaults to NIL, must be specified as non-NIL to get a result.

Include-legend? Boolean

Determines whether the Legend is included in standard output formats. Defaults to t.

Labels&colors List of lists, each containing a string and a keyword symbol

This list should be the same length as data. These colors and labels will be assigned to each pie piece and to the legend. Defaults to NIL, must be specified as non-NIL to get a result.

Line-color Keyword symbol naming color from *color-table*

. Color of the outline of the pie. Defaults to :black.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)

(define-object pie-sample (pie-chart)
    :computed-slots
    ((data (list 30 70))

        (labels&colors '(("Expenses" :red) ("Revenue" :green)))

        (width 200)

        (title "Cash Flow")))

(generate-sample-drawing :objects (make-object 'pie-sample))
```

Figure 11.44: Example Code for PIE-CHART

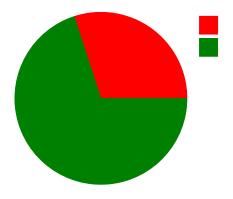


Figure 11.45: PIE-CHART example

Figure 11.46: Example Code for POINT

Radius Number

The radius of the pie. Defaults to 0.35 times the width.

Title String

Title for the chart. Defaults to the empty string.

Title-color Keyword symbol naming color from *color-table*

. Color of title text. Defaults to :black.

Title-font String

Currently this must be a PDF font name. Defaults to "Helvetica."

Title-font-size Number

Size in points of title font. Defaults to 12.

• POINT

Mixins: SPHERE

<u>Description</u> Visual representation of a point as a small view-independent crosshair. This means the crosshair will always appear in a "top" view regardless of the current view transform. The crosshair will not scale along with any zoom state unless the scale? optional input-slot is non-NIL. The default color for the crosshairs is a light grey (:grey-light-very in the *color-table*).

Input slots (optional):

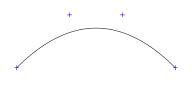


Figure 11.47: POINT example

${\bf Crosshair\text{-}length}\ \textit{Number}$

Distance from center to end of crosshairs used to show the point. Default value is 3.

Radius Number

Distance from center to any point on the sphere.

Scaled? Boolean

Indicates whether the crosshairs drawn to represent the point are scaled along with any zoom factor applied to the display, or are fixed with respect to drawing space. The default is NIL, meaning the crosshairs will remain the same size regardless of zoom state.

Computed slots:

Bounding-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding the tree of geometric objects rooted at this object.

• RENDERER-MIXIN

Mixins: VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> Object mixed into the base-view to compute required values to provide a rendered perspective view, as in VRML.

Input slots (required):

Object-roots List of GDL Objects

Roots of the leaf objects to be displayed in this renderer view.

Objects List of GDL Objects

Leaves of the objects to be displayed in this renderer view.

Input slots (optional):

3d-box List of two 3D points

The left-front-lower and right-rear-upper corners of the axis-aligned bounding box of the object-roots and objects.

3d-box-center 3D Point

The effective view center for the scene contained in this view object. Defaults to the center of the bounding sphere of all the objects in the scene, consisting of the object-roots and the objects.

Bounding-sphere Plist containing keys: :center and :radius

This plist represents the tightest-fitting sphere around all the objects listed in the object-roots and the objects

Field-of-view-default Number in angular degrees

The maximum angle of the view frustrum for perspective views. Defaults to 0.1 (which results in a near parallel projection with virtually no perspective effect).

View-vectors Plist

Keys indicate view vector names (e.g. :trimetric), and values contain the 3D vectors. Defaults to the parameter *standard-views*, but with the key corresponding to current (the view) ordered first in the plist. This list of view-vectors is used to construct the default viewpoints.

Viewpoints List of Plists

Each plist contains, based on each entry in the view-vectors, keys:

- :point (camera location, defaults to the 3d-box-center translated along the corresponding element of view-vectors) by the local camera distance. The camera distance is computed based on the field-of-view angle and the bounding-sphere
- : orientation (3d matrix indicating camera orientation)
- field-of-view Angle in degrees of the view frustrum (i.e. lens angle of the virtual camera).

• ROUTE-PIPE

Mixins: GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYLINE-MIXIN, OUTLINE-SPECIALIZATION-MIXIN

Description Defines an alternating set of cylinders and torus sections for the elbows

Input slots (required):

Outer-pipe-radius Number

Radius to the outer surface of the piping.

Vertex-list List of 3D Points

Same as for global-filleted-polyline (which is mixed in to this part)

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object route-pipe-sample (base-object)
:objects
((pipe :type 'route-pipe
        :vertex-list (list #(410.36 436.12 664.68)
                           #(404.21 436.12 734.97)
                           #(402.22 397.48 757.72)
                           #(407.24 397.48 801.12)
                           #(407.24 448.0 837.0)
                           #(346.76 448.0 837.0))
        :default-radius 19
        :outer-pipe-radius 7
        :inner-pipe-radius nil
        :display-controls (list :color :blue-steel
                                :transparency 0.0
                                :shininess 0.7
                                :spectral-color :white))))
(generate-sample-drawing :objects (the-object (make-object 'route-pipe-sample) pipe)
                         :projection-direction (getf *standard-views* :trimetric))
```

Figure 11.48: Example Code for ROUTE-PIPE

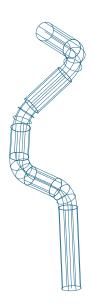


Figure 11.49: ROUTE-PIPE example

Input slots (optional):

Inner-pipe-radius Number

Radius of the inner hollow part of the piping. NIL for a solid pipe.

Computed slots:

Bounding-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding the tree of geometric objects rooted at this object.

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Orientation 3x3 Matrix of Double-Float Numbers

Indicates the absolute Rotation Matrix used to create the coordinate system of this object. This matrix is given in absolute terms (i.e. with respect to the root's orientation), and is generally created with the alignment function. It should be an iorthonormal matrix, meaning each row is a vector with a magnitude of one (1.0).

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

• SAMPLE-DRAWING

Mixins: BASE-DRAWING, VANILLA-MIXIN

Figure 11.50: Example Code for SPHERE

 $\underline{ extbf{Description}}_{ ext{roots.}}$ Defines a simple drawing with a single view for displaying objects or object-

Input slots (optional):

Page-length Number in PDF Points

Front-to-back (or top-to-bottom) length of the paper being represented by this drawing. The default is (* 11 72) points, or 11 inches, corresponding to US standard letter-size paper.

Page-width Number in PDF Points

Left-to-right width of the paper being represented by this drawing. The default is (* 8.5 72) points, or 8.5 inches, corresponding to US standard letter-size paper.

• SPHERE

Mixins: IFS-OUTPUT-MIXIN, ARCOID-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

Description The set of points equidistant from a given center point.

Input slots (required):

Radius Number

Distance from center to any point on the sphere.

Input slots (optional):

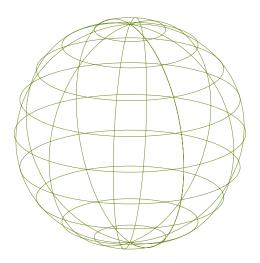


Figure 11.51: SPHERE example

End-horizontal-arc Angle in radians

Ending horizontal angle for a partial sphere. Default is twice pi.

End-vertical-arc Angle in radians

Ending vertical angle for a partial sphere. Default is pi/2.

Inner-radius Number

Radius of inner hollow for a hollow sphere. Default is NIL, for a non-hollow sphere.

${\bf Number-of-horizontal-sections}\ \ Number$

How many lines of latitude to show on the sphere in some renderings. Default value is 4.

Number-of-vertical-sections Number

How many lines of longitude to show on the sphere in some renderings. Default value is 4.

Start-horizontal-arc Angle in radians

Starting horizontal angle for a partial sphere. Default is 0.

Start-vertical-arc Angle in radians

Starting vertical angle for a partial sphere. Default is -pi/2.

Computed slots:

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Figure 11.52: Example Code for SPHERICAL-CAP

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

• SPHERICAL-CAP

Mixins: IFS-OUTPUT-MIXIN, ARCOID-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> The region of a sphere which lies above (or below) a given plane. Although this could be created with a partial sphere using the sphere primitive, the spherical cap allows for more convenient construction and positioning since the actual center of the spherical cap is the center of its reference box.

Input slots (required):

Axis-length Number

The distance from the center of the base to the center of the dome.

Base-radius Number

Radius of the base.

Input slots (optional):

Cap-thickness Number

Thickness of the shell for a hollow spherical-cap. Specify this or inner-base-radius, not both.

Inner-base-radius Number

Radius of base of inner for a hollow spherical-cap. Specify this or cap-thickness, not both.

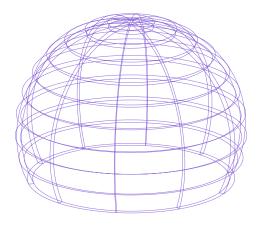


Figure 11.53: SPHERICAL-CAP example

Number-of-horizontal-sections Integer

How many lines of latitude to show on the spherical-cap in some renderings. Default value is 2.

Number-of-vertical-sections Integer

How many lines of longitude to show on the spherical-cap in some renderings. Default value is 2.

Computed slots:

End-angle Angle in radians

End angle of the arc. Defaults to twice pi.

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Sphere-center 3D Point

Center of the sphere containing the spherical-cap.

Sphere-radius Number

Radius of the sphere containing the spherical-cap.

Start-angle Angle in radians

Start angle of the arc. Defaults to zero.

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

• TEXT-LINE

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

Description Outputs a single line of text for graphical display.

Input slots (optional):

Center 3D-point

Center of the text. Specify this or start, not both.

Start 3D-point

Start of the text. Specify this or center, not both.

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Computed slots:

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

• TORUS

Mixins: IFS-OUTPUT-MIXIN, ARCOID-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> A single-holed "ring" torus, also known as an "anchor ring." This is basically a circular cylinder "bent" into a donut shape. Partial donuts ("elbows") are supported. Partial "bent" cylinders are not currently supported.

Input slots (required):

Major-radius Number

Distance from center of donut hole to centerline of the torus.

Minor-radius Number

Radius of the bent cylinder making up the torus.

Input slots (optional):

Draw-centerline-arc? Boolean

Indicates whether the bent cylinder's centerline arc should be rendered in some renderings.

End-caps? Boolean

Indicates whether to include end caps for a partial torus in some renderings. Defaults to T.

Inner-minor-radius Number

Radius of the inner hollow part of the bent cylinder for a hollow torus. Defaults to NIL for a solid cylinder

Figure 11.54: Example Code for TORUS

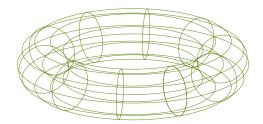


Figure 11.55: TORUS example

Number-of-longitudinal-sections Integer

Indicates the number of arcs to be drawn on along "surface" of the torus in some wire-frame renderings.

Number-of-transverse-sections Integer

Indicates the number of circular cross-sections of the bent cylinder to show in some wireframe renderings.

Input slots (optional, defaulting):

Arc Angle in Radians

Indicates the end angle for the donut. Defaults to twice pi for a full-circle donut.

Computed slots:

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

• TYPESET-BLOCK

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> Block of text typeset using cl-typesetting. This object wraps the typeset block as a standard GDL object, so it can be placed in a view and positioned according to normal GDL positioning.

You can specify the width, and by default this object will compute its length automatically from the typeset content, to fit all the lines of text into the box. Because of this computed behavior of the length, the center of the box will not, in general, be in a known location compared to the start of the text. Because of this it is recommended to use corner, rather than center, for positioning a base-view which contains a typeset block. In the normal case, if you want a single block in a view on a drawing, you should make the base-view object have the same width and length as the typeset-block. The base-view should also probably have :left-margin 0 and :front-margin 0.

Input slots (optional):

Center 3D-point

Center of the text. Specify this or start, not both.

Length Number

The length of the box to contain the compiled content. Defaults is (the length-default), which will exactly fit the compiled content into the specified width. If you override it to be less than this default, the content will be cropped.

Figure 11.56: Example Code for VERTICAL-DIMENSION

Start 3D-point

Start of the text. Specify this or center, not both.

Start-line-index Number

The line number to start

Computed slots:

Length-default Number

The computed length which will exactly fit the content based on (the width).

Lines List of typeset line objects

The list of lines in the nominal block.

• VERTICAL-DIMENSION

Mixins: LINEAR-DIMENSION

Description Creates a dimension annotation along the vertical axis.

Input slots (optional):

Dim-text-start 3D Point

Determines where the text will start. Defaults to reasonable location for horizontal-dimension.

Computed slots:

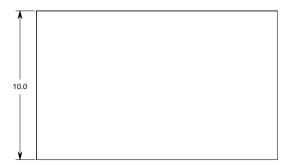


Figure 11.57: VERTICAL-DIMENSION example

Base-plane-normal Must be specified in the subclass except for angular Leader-direction-1-vector Must be specified in the subclass except for angular Leader-direction-2-vector Must be specified in the subclass except for angular Witness-direction-vector Must be specified in the subclass except for angular

11.6.2 Function and Macro Definitions

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- 3D-VECTOR-TO-ARRAY
- ACOSD
- ADD-MATRICES
- ADD-VECTORS
- ALIGNMENT
- ANGLE-BETWEEN-VECTORS
- ANGLE-BETWEEN-VECTORS-D
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- ARRAY-TO-3D-VECTOR
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- COINCIDENT-POINT?
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- INTER-LINE-SPHERE
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- MAKE-TRANSFORM
- MAKE-VECTOR [Macro]
- MATRIX*VECTOR
- MATRIX-TO-QUATERNION
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- MULTIPLY-MATRICES

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- PROJ-POINT-ON-LINE
- PROJECTED-VECTOR
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- QUATERNION-TO-ROTATION
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11.6.3 Variables and Constants

- *BREAK-LEADERS?*
- *GS-GRAPHICS-ALPHA-BITS*
- *GS-TEXT-ALPHA-BITS*
- *HASH-TRANSFORMS?*
- *ZERO-VECTOR-CHECKING?*
- +POSTNET-BITS+

11.7 GWL (Generative Web Language (GWL))

11.7.1 Object Definitions

• APPLICATION-MIXIN

Mixins: LAYOUT-MIXIN, VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> This mixin generates a default GWL user interface, similar to node-mixin, but you should use application-mixin if this is a leaf-level application (i.e. has no children of type node-mixin or application-mixin

• BASE-AJAX-GRAPHICS-SHEET

Mixins: BASE-AJAX-SHEET, BASE-HTML-GRAPHICS-SHEET

<u>Description</u> This mixes together base-ajax-sheet with base-html-graphics-sheet, and adds html-format output-functions for several of the new formats such as ajax-enabled png/jpeg and Raphael vector graphics.

Input slots (optional):

Background-color Array of three numbers between 0 and 1

RGB Color in decimal format. Color to be used for the background of the viewport. Defaults to the :background from the global *colors-default* parameter.

Display-list-object-roots List of GDL objects

The leaves of each of these objects will be included in the geometry display. Defaults to nil.

Display-list-objects List of GDL objects containing geometry

These are the actual objects themselves, not nodes which have children or other descendants that you want to display. If you want to display the leaves of certain nodes, include the objects for those nodes in the display-list-object-roots, not here. Defaults to nil.

Field-of-view-default Number in angular degrees

The maximum angle of the view frustrum for perspective views. Defaults to 45 which is natural human eye field of view.

Image-format Keyword symbol

Determines the default image format. Defaults to the currently selected value of the image-format-selector, which itself defaults to :raphael.

Image-format-default Keyword symbol, one of the keys from (the image-format-plist)

. Default for the image-format-selector. Defaults to :png.

Image-format-plist Plist of keys and strings

The default formats for graphics display. Defaults to:

Immune-objects List of GDL objects

These objects are not used in computing the scale or centering for the display list. Defaults to nil.

Include-view-controls? Boolean

Indicates whether standard view-controls panel should be included with the graphics.

Inner-html String

This can be used with (str.) [in cl-who] or (:princ.) [in htmlGen] to output this section of the page, without the wrapping :div tag [so if you use this, your code would be responsible for wrapping the :div tag with :id (the dom-id).]

Projection-vector 3D vector

This is the normal vector of the view plane onto which to project the 3D objects. Defaults to (getf *standard-views* (the view-selector value)), and (the view-selector value) defaults to :top.

Use-raphael-graf? Boolean

Include raphael graphing library in the page header? Default nil.

Use-raphael? Boolean

Include raphael javascript library in the page header? Default nil.

View-direction-default Default view initially in the view-selector which is automatically included in the view-controls.

Viewport-border-default Number

Thickness of default border around graphics viewport. Default is 1.

Computed slots (settable):

Dropped-height-width Plist with :width and :height

The dimensions of the bounding-box of the dragged and/or dropped element.

Dropped-object List representing GDL root-path

This is the root path of the dragged and/or dropped object. This is not tested to see if it is part of the same object tree as current self.

Dropped-x-y 3D point

This is the upper-right corner of the bounding box of the dragged and/or dropped element.

Js-to-eval String of valid Javascript

This Javascript will be send with the Ajax response, and evaluated after the innerHTML for this section has been replaced.

Computed slots:

Graphics String of valid HTML

This can be used to include the geometry, in the format currently selected by the image-format-selector. If the include-view-controls? is non-nil, the view-controls will be appended at the bottom of the graphics inside a table.

Raster-graphics String of valid HTML

This can be used to include the PNG or JPG raster-graphics of the geometry.

Vector-graphics String of valid HTML

This can be used to include the SVG or VML vector-graphics of the geometry.

View-controls String of valid HTML

This includes the image-format-selector, the reset-zoom-button, and the view-selector, in a simple table layout. You can override this to make the view-controls appear any way you want and include different and/or additional form-controls.

Web3d-graphics String of valid HTML

This can be used to include the VRML or X3D graphics of the geometry.

Hidden objects:

Image-format-selector Object of type menu-form-control

Its value slot can be used to determine the format of image displayed.

Gdl functions:

Write-embedded-x3dom-world Void

Writes an embedded X3D tag with content for the view-object child of this object. The view-object child should exist and be of type web-drawing.

• BASE-AJAX-SHEET

Mixins: BASE-HTML-SHEET

<u>Description</u> (Note: this documentation will be moved to the specific docs for the html-format/base-ajax-sheet lens, when we have lens documentation working properly)

Produces a standard main-sheet for html-format which includes the standard GDL Javascript to enable code produced with gdl-ajax-call to work, and optionally to include the standard JQuery library.

If you want to define your own main-sheet, then there is no use for base-ajax-sheet, you can just use base-html-sheet. But then you have to include any needed Javascript yourself, e.g. for gdl-ajax-call support or jQuery.

The html-format lens for base-ajax-sheet also defines a user hook function, main-sheet-body, which produces a "No Body has been defined" message by default, but which you can fill in your own specific lens to do something useful for the body.

Input slots (optional):

Body-class String or nil

Names the value of class attribute for the body tag. Default is nil.

Body-onload String of Javascript or nil

This Javascript will go into the conload event of the body. Default is nil.

Doctype-string String or nil

Contains the string for the doctype at the top of the document. Default is the standard doctype for HTML5 and later.

Main-sheet-body String of HTML

The main body of the page. This can be specified as input or overridden in subclass, otherwise it defaults to the content produced by the coutput-function of the same name in the applicable lens for html-format.

Respondent GDL Object

Object to respond to the form submission. Defaults to self.

Title String

The title of the web page. Defaults to "Genworks GDL -" .followed by the strings-for-display.

Input slots (optional, settable):

Additional-header-content String of valid HTML

Additional tag content to go into the page header, if you use the default main-sheet message and just fill in your own main-sheet-body, as is the intended use of the base-ajax-sheet primitive.

Additional-header-js-content valid javascript

This javascript is added to the head of the page, just before the body.

Ui-specific-layout-js Absolute URI in the browser

. This is additional JavaScript that needs to be loaded in order to initiate the layout of a user interface. Defaults to nil.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(gwl:define-package :ajax-test (:export #:assembly))
(in-package :ajax-test)
(define-object assembly (base-ajax-sheet)
  :objects
  ((inputs-section :type 'inputs-section)
  (outputs-section : type 'outputs-section
                    :box (the viewport box)
                    :color (the inputs-section color))
  (viewport :type 'viewport
             :box-color (the inputs-section color))))
(define-lens (html-format assembly)()
  :output-functions
  ((main-sheet-body
    ()
    (with-cl-who ()
      (:table
       (:tr
        (:td (str (the inputs-section main-div)))
        (:td (str (the outputs-section main-div)))
        (:td (str (the viewport main-div))))))))
(define-object inputs-section (sheet-section)
  :computed-slots ((color (the menu-control value)))
  :objects
  ((menu-control :type 'menu-form-control
                 :choice-list (list :red :green :blue)
                 :default :red
                 :onchange (the (gdl-ajax-call
                                 :form-controls (list (the-child)))))
  (little-grid :type 'grid-form-control
                :form-control-types '(text-form-control
                                      text-form-control
                                      button-form-control)
                :form-control-attributes '((:ajax-submit-on-change? t)
                                            (:ajax-submit-on-change? t))
                :form-control-inputs
                (mapcar #'(lambda(row)
                            (list nil nil
                                  (list :onclick
                                        (the (gdl-ajax-call
                                               :function-key :do-something!
                                               :arguments
                                               (list (the-object row index)))))))
                        (list-elements (the-child rows)))
                :default '((:color :number :press-me)
                           (:red 42 "OK")
```

Use-jquery? Boolean

Include jquery javascript libraries in the page header? Default nil.

Computed slots:

Development-links String of HTML

Provides the developer control links for current sheet.

Gdl functions:

Custom-snap-restore! Void

This is a hook function which applications can use to restore automatically from a saved snapshot file.

• BASE-FORM-CONTROL

Mixins: SKELETON-FORM-CONTROL

Author Dave Cooper, Genworks

<u>Description</u> This object can be used to represent a single HTML form control. It captures the initial default value, some display information such as the label, and all the standard HTML tag attributes for the tag e.g. INPUT, SELECT, TEXTAREA. GWL will process the data types according to specific rules, and validate the typed value according to other default rules. A custom validation-function can also be provided by user code.

Sequences of these objects (with :size, :indices, :matrix, and :radial) are supported.

This facility and its documentation is expected to undergo significant and frequent upgrades in the remainder of GDL 1573 and upcoming 1575.

Current to-do list:

- 1. Currently this works with normal HTTP form submission and full page reloading. We intend to make it work with AJAX and surgical page update as well.
- 2. We intend to provide inputs for all the standard tag attributes for the accompanying LABEL tag for the form control.
- 3. Additional form control elements to be included, to cover all types of form elements specified in current HTML standard from

http://www.w3.org/TR/html401/interact/forms.html#h-17.2.1

- button-form-control: submit buttons, reset buttons, push buttons.
- checkbox-form-control: checkboxes, radio buttons (multiple of these must be able to have same name)
- menu-form-control: select, along with optgroup and option.
- text-form-control: single-line text input (including masked passwords) and multiline (TEXTAREA) text input.
- file-form-control: file select for submittal with a form.
- hidden-form-control: input of type hidden.
- object-form-control: (not sure how this is supposed to work yet).

Also, we have to study and clarify the issue of under what conditions values can possibly take on nil values, and what constitutes a required field as opposed to a non-validated field, and whether a blank string on a text input should be represented as a nil value or as an empty string.

Note that checkbox-form-control and menu-form-control currently get automatically included in the possible-nils.

Input slots (optional):

Accept String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Accesskey String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Ajax-submit-on-change? Boolean

If set to non-nil, this field's value will be sent to server upon change. Default is nil.

Ajax-submit-on-enter? Boolean

If set to non-nil, this field's value will be sent to server upon enter. Default is nil.

Align String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Allow-invalid-type? Boolean

If non-nil, then values which fail the type test will still be allowed to be the value. Default is nil.

Allow-invalid? Boolean

If non-nil, then values which fail the type or validation test will still be allowed to be the value. Default is t.

Allow-nil? Boolean

Regardless of :domain, if this is non-nil, nil values will be accepted. Defaults to t if (the default) is nil, otherwise defaults to nil.

Alt String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Append-error-string? Boolean

Determines whether a default error string is appended to string output-function for html-format (and therefore html-string computed-slot as well). Defaults to t.

Default Lisp value of a type compatible with (the domain)

This is the initial default value for the control. This must be specified by user code, or an error will result.

Disabled? Boolean

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

```
(in-package :gwl-user)
 (define-object test-form (base-html-sheet)
   :objects
   ((username :type 'text-form-control
              :size 35
              :maxlength 30
              :allow-nil? t
              :default "Ron Paul")
    (age :type 'text-form-control
         :size 5
         :validation-function #'(lambda(input) (or (null input) (> 80 input 70)))
         :domain :number
         ;;:default 72
         :default nil )
    (bio :type 'text-form-control
         :rows 8
         :size 120
         :default "
Congressman Ron Paul is the leading advocate for freedom in our nation's capital.
As a member of the U.S. House of Representatives, Dr. Paul tirelessly works for
limited constitutional government, low taxes, free markets, and a return to sound
monetary policies. He is known among his congressional colleagues and his constituents
for his consistent voting record. Dr. Paul never votes for legislation unless the
proposed measure is expressly authorized by the Constitution. In the words of former
Treasury Secretary William Simon, Dr. Paul is the one exception to the Gang of 535 on
Capitol Hill.")
    (issues :type 'menu-form-control
            :choice-list (list "Taxes" "Health Care" "Foreign Policy")
            :default "Taxes"
            :multiple? t)
    (color :type 'menu-form-control
           :size 7
           :choice-plist (list :red "red"
                               :green "green"
                               :blue "blue"
                               :magenta "magenta"
                               :cyan "cyan"
                               :yellow "yellow"
                               :orange "orange")
           :validation-function #'(lambda(color)
                                    (if (intersection (ensure-list color)
                                                       (list :yellow :magenta))
                                         (list :error :disallowed-color-choice)
                                      t))
           ;;:append-error-string? nil
           :multiple? t
           :default :red
           ;;:onchange "alert('hey now');"
    (early-riser? :type 'checkbox-form-control
```

Domain Keyword symbol, one of :number, :keyword, :list-of-strings, :list-of-anything, or :string

. This specifies the expected and acceptable type for the submitted form value. If possible, the submitted value will be coerced into the specified type. The default is based upon the Lisp type of (the default) provided as input to this object. If the default is nil, the domain will default to :string

Ismap? Boolean

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Label-position Keyword symbol or nil

Specifies where the label tag goes, if any. Can be :table-td (label goes in a td before the form control), :table-td-append (label goes in a td after the form control),

Lang String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Maxlength Number or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Nullify-empty-string? Boolean

Regardless of :domain, if this is non-nil, empty strings will convert to nil. Defaults to (the allow-nil?)

Onblur String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Onchange String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil, unless ajax-submit-on-change? is non-nil, in which case it calls ajax to set current form value.

Onclick String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Ondblclick String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Onenter String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil, unless ajax-submit-on-enter? is non-nil, in which case it calls ajax to set current form value.

Onfocus String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Onkeydown String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Onkeypress String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Onkeyup String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Onmousedown String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Onmousemove String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Onmouseout String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Onmouseover String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Onmouseup String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Onselect String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Placeholder String

Text to place in the field by default, overwritten as soon as the field is selected. Works only in HTML5. Default is nil.

Preset? Boolean

This switch determines whether this form-control should be preset before the final setting, in order to allow any interdependencies to be detected for validation or detecting changed values. Default is nil.

Prompt String

The prompt used in the label.

Readonly? Boolean

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Size Number or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Src String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Style String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Tabindex Integer or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Title String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Usemap String or nil

Maps to HTML form control attribute of the same name. Default is nil.

Validation-function Function of one argument

The argument will be the submitted form value converted to the proper type. The return value from this function can be nil, any non-nil value, or a plist with keys :validated-value and :error. The following behavior applies:

- If the function returns nil, error is set to :unspecified-validation-fail.
- If the function returns a plist with keys :validated-value and :error, and if :error is non-nil, it means the value is not acceptable, the form-controls error message is set to this error (usually a keyword symbol), and the error string will be appended to the html-string by default.
- If the function returns any other value, then the properly typed submitted form value is considered valid and is used.

In the case of an error, the form-control's failed-value message is set to the properly typed submitted form value. If allow-invalid? is non-nil, then the form-control's value message is also set to this value (i.e. the invalid value is still accepted, even though a non-nil error is present). Default is (list :validated-value value :error nil).

Computed slots (settable):

Error String or error object

This will be set to a validation error if any, and cleared when the error is gone.

Failed-value Lisp value

The value which was attempted to be set but failed validation.

Value Lisp value

The current value of this form control.

Gdl functions:

Restore-defaults! Void

Restores the default for the value, the failed-value, and the error.

• BASE-HTML-GRAPHICS-SHEET

Mixins: BASE-HTML-SHEET, GEOMETRY-VIEW-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> This mixin allows a part to be displayed as a web page in GWL, and to contain one graphics area. It requires the geom-base module to be loaded. This will probably be extended to allow more than one graphics area. This mixin inherits from base-html-sheet, so just like with base-html-sheet you can prepare the output with the write-html-sheet function in a the object which mixes this in, or in a main-sheet output-function in an html-format view of the object.

Input slots (optional):

Standard-views Plist of keywords and 3D vectors

. Indicates the views to show in the graphics controls.

Use-bsplines? Boolean

Determines whether to use native bspline data in the vrml

Input slots (optional, settable):

 $\textbf{Digitation-mode} \ \textit{Keyword symbol, one of :} \textbf{zoom-and-center, :} \textbf{report-point, or :} \textbf{measure-distance}$

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- If :zoom-and-center, sets the user-center and user-scale accordingly when graphics area is clicked.
- If :report-point, the slot digitized-point is set with the x y value.
- If measure-distance, the slot :digitized-distance is set with the resultant distance.

Default is :zoom-and-center

Image-format Keyword symbol

Determines the default image format. Defaults to :png

View Keyword symbol

Determines the default view from the standard-views. Defaults to :trimetric.

Zoom-factor Number

The factor used for zooming in or out.

Zoom-mode Keyword symbol, one of :in, :out, or :none, or nil

If :in, then clicks in the graphics area will increase the zoom factor by (the zoom-factor). If :out, then clicks will decrease the factor by that amount. If :none or nil, then clicks will have no effect.

Gdl functions:

Background-color Keyword symbol, string, list, or vector

Default background for the graphics viewport. Can be specified as a name (keyword or string) in *color-table*, an html-style hex string (starting with #), or a decimal RGB triplet in a list or vector. The default comes from the :background entry in *colors-default*.

Foreground-color Keyword symbol, string, list, or vector

Default foreground for the graphics viewport. Can be specified as a name (keyword or string) in *color-table*, an html-style hex string (starting with #), or a decimal RGB triplet in a list or vector. The default comes from the :foreground entry in *colors-default*.

Report-point Void

Process the points selected by digitizing in the graphics. You can override this function to do your own processing. By default, it prints the information to the console.

Write-embedded-vrml-world Void

Writes an EMBED tag and publishes a VRML world for the view-object child of this object. The view-object child should exist and be of type web-drawing.

Write-embedded-x3d-world Void

Writes an OBJECT tag and publishes an X3D world for the view-object child of this object. The view-object child should exist and be of type web-drawing.

Write-geometry Void

Writes an image tag and publishes an image for the view-object child of this object. The view-object child should exist and be of type web-drawing. For objects of type gwl:application-mixin or gwl:node-mixin, this is done automatically. For the time being, we recommend that you use gwl:application-mixin or gwl:node-mixin if you want to display geometric parts in a GWL application.

• BASE-HTML-SHEET

Mixins: SHEET-SECTION, VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> This mixin allows a part to be displayed as a web page in GWL. The main output can be specified either in a write-html-sheet function in the object which mixes this in, or in a main-sheet output-function in an html-format view of the object.

Input slots (optional):

Check-sanity? Boolean

Determines whether a a sanity check is done (with the check-sanity function) before presenting the response page if this page is a respondent. Default is NIL.

Return-object GDL object

Default object to which control will return with the write-back-link method

Target String

Name of a browser frame or window to display this page. Default of NIL indicates to use the same window.

Transitory-slots List of keyword symbols

Messages corresponding to form fields which should not be retained against Updates to the model (e.g. calls to the update! function or hitting the Update button or link in the browser in development mode). Defaults to NIL (the empty list).

Computed slots (settable):

Query-plist Plist

Contains submitted form field names and values for which no corresponding settable computed-slots exist. Where corresponding settable computed-slots exist, their values are set from the submitted form fields automatically.

Computed slots:

Header-plist Plist

Extra http headers to be published with the URI for this page.

Url String

The web address in the current session which points at this page. Published on demand.

Gdl functions:

After-present! Void

This is an empty function by default, but can be overridden in the respondent of a form, to do some processing after the respondent's write-html-sheet function runs to present the object.

After-set! Void

This is an empty function by default, but can be overridden in the requestor of a form, to do some processing after the requestor's form values are set into the specified bashee.

Before-present! Void

This is an empty function by default, but can be overridden in the respondent of a form, to do some processing before the respondent's write-html-sheet function runs to present the object. This can be useful especially for objects which are subclasses of higher-level mixins such as application-mixin and node-mixin, where you do not have direct access to the write-html-sheet function and typically only define the model-inputs function. It is not always reliable to do processing in the model-inputs function, since some slots which depend on your intended modifications may already have been evaluated by the time the model-inputs function runs.

Before-response! Void

This is an empty function by default, but can be overridden in a user specialization of base-html-sheet, to do some processing before the header-plist is evaluated and before the HTTP response is actually initiated.

Before-set! Void

This is an empty function by default, but can be overridden in the requestor of a form, to do some processing before the requestor's form values are set into the specified bashee.

Check-sanity NIL or error object

This function checks the "sanity" of this object. By default, it checks that following the object's root-path from the root resolves to this object. If the act of following the root-path throws an error, this error will be returned. Otherwise, if the result of following the root-path does not match the identity of this object, an error is thrown indicating this. Otherwise, NIL is returned and no error is thrown. You can override this function to do what you wish. It should return NIL if the object is found to be "sane" and an throw an error otherwise. If check-sanity? is set to T in this object, this function will be invoked automatically within an ignore-errors by the function handling the GWL "/answer" form action URI when this object is a respondent, before the main-sheet is presented.

Process-cookies! Void

This is an empty function by default, but can be overridden in a user specialization of base-html-sheet, to do some processing before the header-plist is evaluated and before the HTTP response is actually initiated, but after the cookies-received have been set.

Restore-form-controls! Void

Calls restore-defaults! on all the form-controls in this sheet.

Sanity-error Void

Emits a page explaining the sanity error. This will be invoked instead of the write-mainsheet if check-sanity? is set to T and the check-sanity throws an error. You may override this function to do what you wish. By default a minimal error message is displayed and a link to the root object is presented.

Select-choices Void

Writes an HTML Select field with Options.

Write-child-links Void

Creates a default unordered list with links to each child part of self. The text of the links will come from each child's strings-for-display.

Write-development-links Void

Writes links for access to the standard developer views of the object, currently consisting of an update (Refresh!) link, a Break link, and a ta2 link.

Write-html-sheet Void

This GDL function should be redefined to generate the HTML page corresponding to this object. It can be specified here, or as the main-sheet output-function in an html-format lens for this object's type. This write-html-sheet function, if defined, will override any main-sheet function defined in the lens. Typically a write-html-sheet function would look as follows:

Write-self-link Void

Emits a hyperlink pointing to self. Note that if you need extra customization on the display-string (e.g. to include an image tag or other arbitrary markup), use with-output-to-string in conjunction with the html-stream macro.

Write-standard-footer Void

Writes some standard footer information. Defaults to writing Genworks and Franz copyright and product links. Note that VAR agreements often require that you include a "powered by" link to the vendor on public web pages.

• CHECKBOX-FORM-CONTROL

Mixins: BASE-FORM-CONTROL

Author Dave Cooper, Genworks

Description This represents a INPUT of TYPE CHECKBOX

Input slots (optional):

Domain Keyword symbol

The domain defaults to :boolean for the checkbox-form-control. However, this can be overridden in user code if the checkbox is supposed to return a meaningful value other than nil or t (e.g. for a group of checkboxes with the same name, where each can return a different value).

Possible-nil? Boolean

Indicates whether this should be included in possible-nils. Defaults to t.

• GEOMETRY-VIEW-MIXIN

Mixins: VANILLA-MIXIN

Description Internal mixin for use inside e.g. base-html-graphics-sheet.

Input slots (optional):

Length Number

Length ("height" of screen window) of the graphics viewport. Default is 300.

Width Number

Width of the graphics viewport. Default is 300.

• GRID-FORM-CONTROL

Mixins: SKELETON-FORM-CONTROL, VANILLA-MIXIN

Description Beginnings of spread-sheet-like grid control.

To do: Add row button, sort by column values, save & restore snapshot. Easy way for user to customize layout and markup.

Allow for all types of form-control for each column.

Input slots (optional):

Default List of lists

These values become the default row and column values for the grid.

Form-control-attributes List of plists

Each plist contains the desired form-control inputs for the respective column in the table.

Form-control-inputs List of lists plists

Each list corresponds to one row and contains plists desired form-control inputs for the respective column in the table.

Form-control-types List of symbols naming GDL object types

This must be the same length as a row of the table. The corresponding form-element in the grid will be of the specified type. Default is nil, which means all the form-controls will be of type 'text-form-control.

Include-delete-buttons? Boolean

Should each row have a delete button? Default is nil.

Row-labels List of strings

One for each row.

Computed slots:

Form-controls List of GDL objects

All the children or hidden-children of type base-form-control.

• GWL-RULE-OBJECT

Mixins: BASE-HTML-GRAPHICS-SHEET, BASE-RULE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> Used to display a rule as a GWL web page. Mixes together base-html-sheet and base-rule-object.

• LAYOUT-MIXIN

Mixins: BASE-HTML-GRAPHICS-SHEET

<u>Description</u> This is mixed into both node-mixin and application-mixin. It contains the common messages for nodes in a GWL application tree. For any node-mixin or application-mixin, you may override the default (empty) model-inputs output-function of the corresponding html-format view to make specific model-inputs for that node.

Input slots (optional):

Available-image-formats List of keyword symbols

Determines which formats are available in the Preferences. Defaults to :png, :jpeg, and :vrml.

Body-bgcolor Keyword symbol

Color keyword from *color-table* for the body background. Defaults to :blue-sky.

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Image-format Keyword symbol

Determines the default image format. Defaults to :png

Inputs-bgcolor Keyword symbol

Color keyword from *color-table* for the model-inputs area background. Defaults to :aquamarine.

Inputs-title String

Title for the model-inputs section. Defaults to "Model Inputs".

Length Number

Length ("height" of screen window) of the graphics viewport. Default is 300.

Multipart-form? Boolean

Determines whether the embedded form will support multipart MIME parts. Defaults to NIL.

$\textbf{Other-rules} \ \textit{List of GDL objects of type base-rule-object or (preferably) gwl-base-rule-object}$

. Links to these will be displayed in the other-rules section. Default to the collection of all objects of type base-rule-object from this node in the tree down to the leaves, whose violated? message evaluates to NIL.

Other-rules-bgcolor Keyword symbol

Color keyword from *color-table* for the other-rules area background. Defaults to :aquamarine.

Other-rules-title String

Title for the other-rules section. Defaults to "Other Rules".

Page-title String

The title to display on the page and in the tree. Defaults to (the strings-for-display).

Show-title? Boolean

Indicates whether to display the title at the top of the page. Defaults to T.

Tree-bgcolor Keyword symbol

Color keyword from *color-table* for the tree area background. Defaults to :aquamarine.

Tree-title String

Title for the Tree section. Defaults to "Assembly Tree" if the tree-root is only a subclass of application-mixin, and "Assembly Tree" if the tree-root is an actual node with child applications.

Ui-display-list-leaves List of GDL objects

This should be overridden with a list of objects of your choice. These objects (not their leaves, but these actual nodes) will be scaled to fit and displayed in the graphics area. Defaults to NIL.

Ui-display-list-objects List of GDL objects

This should be overridden with a list of objects of your choice. The leaves of these objects will be scaled to fit and displayed in the graphics area. Defaults to NIL.

Violated-rules List of GDL objects of type base-rule-object or (preferably) gwl-base-rule-object

. Links to these will be displayed in the other-rules section. Default to the collection of all objects of type base-rule-object from this node in the tree down to the leaves, whose violated? message evaluates to non-NIL.

Violated-rules-bgcolor Keyword symbol

Color keyword from *color-table* for the violated-rules area background. Defaults to :aquamarine.

Violated-rules-title String

Title for the violated-rules section. Defaults to "Violated Rules".

Width Number

Width of the graphics viewport. Default is 300.

Input slots (optional, defaulting):

Display-rules? Boolean

Indicates whether the Rules panel should be displayed. Defaults to T.

Display-tree? Boolean

Indicates whether the Tree area should be displayed. Defaults to T.

Graphics-height Integer

Height (top to bottom on screen) in pixels of the graphics area. Defaults to 500.

Graphics-width Integer

Height (left to right on screen) in pixels of the graphics area. Defaults to 500.

Use-standard-saved-slots? Boolean

Determines whether the standard-saved-slots are automatically used by default for the saved-slots. This is a trickle-down slot so its value will be passed to descendent objects automatically. The default value is NIL.

Computed slots:

Saved-slots List of keyword symbols or lists

. The first of this list should be the unique name for this tree node for the purposes of saving slots. The rest of this list is made up of either keyword symbols or lists. A keyword symbol indicates the name of a slot to be saved in the current object. These slot names should correspond to :settable slots of this object. A list indicates slots to be saved in a child object, specified as follows: the first of the list is the name of the child part, and the rest is made up of keywords naming the slots in the child part to be saved. These should correspond to :settable slots in the child object. The default value is the standard-saved-slots if the use-standard-saved-slots? is non-NIL, NIL otherwise.

Standard-saved-slots List of keyword symbols

The first of this list is the name-for-display of this object. The rest of the list are all the keyword symbols representing the settable computed-slots and input-slots which have a default value. Required input-slots (i.e. input-slots without a default value) are not included in this list. If you wish to include required inputs with the saved-slots, you should explicitly append them to this list when specifying the saved-slots.

Gdl functions:

Read-saved-slots Void

Reads the slots data from filename, restores the corresponding slots in this object and matching descendant objects, and calls the restore! function on each object.

Write-html-sheet Void

This GDL function should be redefined to generate the HTML page corresponding to this object. It can be specified here, or as the main-sheet output-function in an html-format lens for this object's type. This write-html-sheet function, if defined, will override any main-sheet function defined in the lens. Typically a write-html-sheet function would look as follows:

Write-saved-slots Void

Writes the unique application name names and values of all saved-slots in this and all descendants which are of type node-mixin or application-mixin.

Figure 11.60: Example Code for GWL:MENU-FORM-CONTROL

• MENU-FORM-CONTROL

Mixins: BASE-FORM-CONTROL

<u>Author</u> Dave Cooper, Genworks

<u>Description</u> This represents a SELECT form control tag wrapping some OPTION tags. OPTIONGROUP is not yet implemented, but will be.

Input slots (optional):

Choice-list List

Display values, also used as return values, for selection list. Specify this or choice-plist, not both.

Choice-plist Plist

Keywords and display values for the selection list. Specify this or choice-list, not both.

Choice-styles Plist

Keywords and CSS style for display of each choice. The keys should correspond to the keys in choice-plist, or the items in choice-list if no choice-plist is given.

Disabled-keys List of keyword symbols

Each of these should match a key in the choice-plist, and where there is a match, that key will be disabled in the rendering.

Multiple? Boolean

Are multiple selections allowed? Default is nil.

Possible-nil? Boolean

Indicates whether this should be included in possible-nils. Defaults to (the multiple?)

Size Number

How many choices to display

Test Predicate function of two arguments

Defaults based on type of first in choice-plist: eql for keywords, string-equal for strings, and equalp otherwise.

NODE-MIXIN

Mixins: LAYOUT-MIXIN, VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> Generates a default GWL user interface with a model-inputs area, user-navigable tree with child applications, graphics view with controls, and rule display.

Child objects should be of type node-mixin or application-mixin. Child hiddenobjects may be of any type.

The ui-display-list-objects is appended up automatically from those of the children.

Input slots (optional):

Default-tree-depth Integer

Determines how many descendant levels to show in the tree initially. Default is 1.

Node-ui-display-list-objects GDL object list

Appends additional objects to the automatically-appended ui-display-list-objects from the children.

Computed slots:

Ui-display-list-leaves List of GDL objects

This should be overridden with a list of objects of your choice. These objects (not their leaves, but these actual nodes) will be scaled to fit and displayed in the graphics area. Defaults to NIL.

Ui-display-list-objects List of GDL object roots

The leaves of these objects will be displayed in the graphics. Defaults to the appended result of children's ui-display-list-objects.

• RADIO-FORM-CONTROL

Mixins: MENU-FORM-CONTROL

Description Produces a standard radio-button form control.

Input slots (optional):

Description-position Keyword symbol or nil

Specifies where the description for each radio goes, if any. Can be:

- :paragraph-prepend (or :p-prepend or :p) Description goes in a paragraph tag before the input tag.
- :paragraph-append (or :p-append) Description goes in a paragraph tag after the input tag
- :table-row-prepend (or :table-tr or :table-tr-prepend) Description goes in a table cell wrapped in a table row before the input tag table cell

:table-row-append (or :table-tr-append) Description goes in a table cell wrapped in a table row after the input tag table cell

nil (or any other value) No description, only the bare input tag for the radio

Default is :paragraph-append.

Table-class String

Allows you to specify a class for the table surrounding the radio input elements. Defaults to empty string.

Computed slots:

Multiple? Boolean

Are multiple selections allowed? Default is nil.

• SESSION-CONTROL-MIXIN

Mixins: VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Author</u> Brian Sorg, Liberating Insight LLC (revised Dave Cooper, Genworks)

<u>Description</u> Mixin to the root object of the part which you wish to have session control over

Input slots (optional):

Org-type Type of original object, useful when viewing session report log

Recovery-expires-at Expiration time of the recovery object

After the recovery object has replaced the original instance at what time should the recovery instance expire?

Recovery-url Url to which a user will be redirected if requesting a session that has been cleared

Session-duration Length of time a session should last without activity in minutes

Use-recovery-object? Boolean

Determines whether expired sessions are replaced by recovery object. Default is nil.

Input slots (optional, settable):

Expires-at Universal time after which the session should expire

Gdl functions:

Clear-expired-session This is the function called to check for and handle session control Clear-now? Boolean

Test to run to see if this session has expired and needs to be cleared now.

FLAG -- fill in!!!

Figure 11.61: Example Code for GWL:SHEET-SECTION

Session-clean-up Gets called right before the instance is going to get cleared

Is intended to be used to stop any instance states that may not be elequently handled by the garbage collector. ie database connections, multiprocessing locks, open streams etc.

Set-expires-at Method which will set the expires-at slot to the current time + the session-duration

• SHEET-SECTION

Mixins: SKELETON-UI-ELEMENT, VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> Basic mixin to support an object representing a section of an HTML sheet (i.e. web page). Currently this simply mixes in skeleton-ui-element, and the functionality is not extended. Sheet-section is also mixed into base-html-sheet, so it and any of its subclasses will be considered as sheet-sections if they are the child of a base-ajax-sheet.

• SKELETON-FORM-CONTROL

Mixins: SKELETON-UI-ELEMENT, VANILLA-MIXIN

Author Dave Cooper, Genworks

<u>Description</u> Computes standard values for base-form-control and similar container objects, e.g. grid-form-control.

Does not perform the actual bashing and computation of result value, should be mixed in to something which does this.

Input slots (optional):

Class String

You can use this to specify a user-defined class for the form-control. Defaults to nil, which means no class attribute will be generated.

Primary? Boolean

Set this to t if the form-control should always occur first in an outputted snapshot file. Defaults to nil.

Computed slots:

Field-name Keyword symbol

The name of this field. Computed from the object name within the tree.

FLAG -- Fill in!!!

Figure 11.62: Example Code for GWL:SKELETON-UI-ELEMENT

Form-control String of valid HTML

This is the default HTML which can be included in a form in a web page to display this form control. Previously known as form-control-string. Default is the form-control-string.

Form-control-string String of valid HTML

Also known as simply form-control. This is the default HTML which can be included in a form in a web page to display this form control. Default is the output from form-control method of the lens for html-format and the specific type of this object, returned as a string.

Form-controls List of GDL objects

All the children or hidden-children of type base-form-control.

Html-string String of valid HTML

This is the default HTML which can be included in a form in a web page to display this form control, wrapped with labels and table cells.

Id Keyword symbol

The ID attribute for this tag. Defaults to (the field-name).

• SKELETON-UI-ELEMENT

Mixins: VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> Basic mixin to support constructing a gdl ajax call relative to this node. Note that in order for a node to represent a section of a web page, you should use sheet-section (which mixes this in), rather than this raw primitive.

This is a mixin into base-html-sheet, and some of the previous base-html-sheet functionality has been factored out into this mixin.

Of special note in this object is the function gdl-ajax-call which generates Javascript appropriate for attaching with a UI event, e.g. onclick, onchange, on blur, etc. In this Javascript you can specify a GDL function (on this object, self) to be run, and/or specify a list of form-control objects which are rendered on the current page, whose values should be submitted and processed ("bashed") into the server.

Input slots (optional):

Bashee GDL Object

Object to have its settable computed-slots and/or query-plist set from the fields on the form upon submission. Defaults to self.

Dom-id String

This is the auto-computed dom-id which should be used for rendering this section. If you use the main-div HTML string for rendering this object as a page section, then you do not have to generate the :div tag yourself - the main-div will be a string of HTML which is wrapped in the correct :div tag already.

Force-validation-for List of GDL objects of type form-control

The validation-function will be forced on these objects when a form is submitted, even if the object's html form-control does not happen to be included in the values submitted with the form. Defaults to nil.

Inner-html String

This can be used with (str.) [in cl-who] or (:princ.) [in htmlGen] to output this section of the page, without the wrapping :div tag [so if you use this, your code would be responsible for wrapping the :div tag with :id (the dom-id).]

Js-to-eval String of valid Javascript

This Javascript will be send with the Ajax response, and evaluated after the innerHTML for this section has been replaced.

Input slots (optional, defaulting):

Respondent GDL Object

Object to respond to the form submission. Defaults to self.

Computed slots:

Failed-form-controls List of GDL objects

All the form-controls which do not pass validation.

Form-controls List of GDL objects

All the children or hidden-children of type base-form-control.

Html-sections List of HTML sections to be scanned and possibly replaced in response to GDL Ajax calls. Override this slot at your own risk. The default is all sections who are most recently laid out on the respondent sheet, and this is set programmatically every time the sheet section's main-div is demanded.

Main-div% String

This should be used with (str.) [in cl-who] or (:princ.) [in htmlGen] to output this section of the page, including the wrapping :div tag.

Ordered-form-controls List of GDL objects, which should be of type 'base-form-control

[Note – this slot is not really necessary for protecting out-of-bounds sequence references anymore, the form-control processor protects against this by itself now].

These objects are validated and bashed first, in the order given. If the cardinality of one form-control depends on another as in the example below, then you should list those dependent objects first. Default is nil.

Possible-nils List of keyword symbols

Messages corresponding to form fields which could be missing from form submission (e.g. checkbox fields). Defaults to the names of any children or hidden-children of type menu-form-control or checkbox-form-control.

Preset-all? Boolean

This switch determines whether all form-controls should be preset before the final setting, in order to allow any interdependencies to be detected for validation or detecting changed values. If this is specified as a non-nil value, then any nil values of (the preset?) on individual form controls will be ignored. If this is specified as nil, then (the preset?) of individual form-controls (default of these is also nil) will be respected. Default is nil.

Gdl functions:

Gdl-ajax-call String

. This function returns a string of Javascript, appropriate to use for events such as :onclick, :onchange, etc, which will invoke an Ajax request to the server, which will respond by replacing the innerHTML of affected :div's, and running the Javascript interpreter to evaluate (the js-to-eval), if any.

• TEXT-FORM-CONTROL

Mixins: BASE-FORM-CONTROL

Author Dave Cooper, Genworks

Description This represents a INPUT TYPE=TEXT or TEXTAREA form control tag.

Input slots (optional):

Cols Integer

The number of columns for a TEXTAREA (if rows is ¿ 1). Defaults to (the size).

Number? Boolean

Specifies whether this should be a number form control with support for numerical input. Defaults to nil. Use number-form-control to get a default of t.

Password? Boolean

Specifies whether this should be a password form control with obscured screen text. Note that this does not automatically give encrypted transmission to the server - you need SSL for that. Defaults to nil. Use password-form-control to get a default of t.

Rows Integer

The number of rows. If more than 1, this will be a TEXTAREA. Defaults to 1.

• WEB-DRAWING

Mixins: RENDERER-MIXIN, BASE-DRAWING

<u>Description</u> Container object for displaying a view of geometric or text-based entities in a web application. This is supposed to be the type of the view-object hidden-child of base-html-graphics-sheet. Also, in a GWL application using application-mixin, you can include one object of this type in the ui-display-list-leaves.

Input slots (optional):

Immune-objects List of GDL objects

These objects are not used in computing the scale or centering for the display list. Defaults to nil.

Object-roots List of GDL objects

The leaves of each of these objects will be included in the geometry display. Defaults to nil.

Objects List of GDL objects

These nodes (not their leaves but the actual objects) will be included in the geometry display. Defaults to nil.

Projection-vector 3D vector

This is the normal vector of the view plane onto which to project the 3D objects. Defaults to (getf *standard-views* :top).

Raphael-canvas-id String

Unique ID on the page for the raphael canvas div. By default this is passed in from the base-ajax-graphics-sheet and based on its root-path, but can be specified manually if you are making a web-drawing on your own. Defaults (in the standalone case) to "RaphaelCanvas"

Computed slots:

Center 3D Point

Indicates in global coordinates where the center of the reference box of this object should be located.

Image-file Pathname or string

Points to a pre-existing image file to be displayed instead of actual geometry for this object. Defaults to nil

Objects:

Main-view GDL object of type geom-base:base-view

This is the actual drawing view which is used to present the geometry. Defaults to an internally-computed object, this should not be overridden in user code.

```
(in-package :gwl-user)
(define-object test-html-graphics-sheet (base-html-graphics-sheet)
  :objects
  ((b-splines :type 'test-b-spline-curves)
  (boxed-spline :type 'surf:boxed-curve
                 :curve-in (the b-splines (curves 0))
                 :orientation (alignment :top (the (face-normal-vector :rear)))
                 :show-box? t)
  (view-object :type 'web-drawing
                :page-length (the graphics-height value)
                :page-width (the graphics-width value)
                :projection-vector (getf *standard-views* (the view))
                :object-roots (the ui-display-roots))
  (graphics-height :type 'text-form-control
                    :default 350)
   (graphics-width :type 'text-form-control
                   :default 500)
  (bg-color :type 'text-form-control
             :default :black)
  (fg-color :type 'text-form-control
             :default :white))
  :computed-slots
  ((background-color (lookup-color (the :bg-color value) :format :decimal))
  (foreground-color (lookup-color (the :fg-color value) :format :decimal))
  (view :trimetric :settable)
  ("list of gdl objects. Objects to be displayed in the graphics window."
   ui-display-roots (list (the b-splines) (the boxed-spline)))))
(define-lens (html-format test-html-graphics-sheet)()
  :output-functions
  ((main-sheet
    (with-html-output (*html-stream* nil :indent t)
      (:html (:head (:title "Test HTML Graphics Sheet"))
             (:body (when gwl:*developing?* (the write-development-links))
                    (:h2 (:center "Test HTML Graphics Sheet"))
                    (with-html-form (:cl-who? t)
                      (:table (:tr (:td (:ul
                                        (:li (str (the graphics-height html-string)))
                                        (:li (str (the graphics-width html-string)))
                                             (:li (str (the bg-color html-string)))
                                             (:li (str (the fg-color html-string))))
                                        (:p (:input :type :submit :value " OK ")))
```

11.7.2 Function and Macro Definitions

- BASE64-DECODE-LIST
- BASE64-DECODE-SAFE
- BASE64-ENCODE-LIST
- BASE64-ENCODE-SAFE
- CLEAR-ALL-INSTANCES
- CLEAR-INSTANCE
- CLEAR-OLD-TIMERS
- GWL-MAKE-OBJECT
- PUBLISH-GWL-APP
- PUBLISH-SHARED
- PUBLISH-STRING-CONTENT
- RELATIVIZE-PATHNAME
- SESSION-CONTROL-AUTO-REFRESH
- SESSION-REPORT
- WITH-CL-WHO [Macro]
- WITH-CL-WHO-STRING [Macro]
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11.7.3 Variables and Constants

- *BREAK-ON-SET-SELF?*
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- \bullet *FAILED-REQUEST-URL*
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- *MAX-ID-VALUE*
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11.8 RAPHAEL

- 11.9 ROBOT (Simplified Android Robot example)
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- 11.11 SURF (NURBS Surface and Solids Geometry Primitives)
- 11.11.1 Object Definitions
 - 3D-APPROXIMATED

Mixins: APPROXIMATED-CURVE, VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> Given a curve in uv parameter space of a surface, produce a corresponding 3d curve with brute-force fitting techniques.

Input slots (required):

Surface GDL Surface object

The surface corresponding to the given uv-curve.

Uv-curve GDL Curve object

Curve whose points are understood to be 2D u, v parameter values on the surface.

Input slots (optional):

Number-of-samples Integer

How many point samples to take for fitting purposes. Default is 42.

Tolerance-factor Number

The tolerance for the final approximation, to be multiplied by the 3d curve length. Default is 10e-5.

Computed slots:

Curve-in GDL Curve object

The curve to be approximated with this curve.

Tolerance Number

The maximum distance deviation from the curve-in to this curve. Defaults to 1.0e-5 times the diagonal of the bounding box of the input curve.

• 3D-CURVE

Mixins: B-SPLINE-CURVE, VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> Given a uv on-surface curve and its surface, produce the corresponding 3d curve. Note this must be a true on-surface curve, not just an arbitrary curve whose domain happens to be in the parameter space of the surface.

Input slots (required):

Surface GDL Surface object

The surface corresponding to the given uv-curve.

Uv-curve GDL Curve object

Curve which is a proper on-surface curve (e.g. produced by a project or drop operation onto the surface).

Computed slots:

Control-points List of 3D Points

The control points.

Degree Integer

Degree of the curve. Defaults to 3 (cubic).

Knot-vector List of Numbers

Knots of the curve. Default is NIL, which indicates a uniform knot vector.

Weights List of numbers

A weight to match each control point. Should be same length as control-points. Default is a value of 1.0 for each weight, resulting in a nonrational curve.

• APPROXIMATED-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

<u>Description</u> This primitive accepts a NURBS curve and computes a new NURBS curve with presumably fewer control points, and claims to hold it to within a certain tolerance of the original curve.

The point at the start parameter and the end parameter in the result curve will be fixed to be identical to the original curve.

You can use the pinned-parameters input-slot to specify additional parameter values where the new curve will be pinned to be identical with the original curve.

NOTE: This object is currently non-functional and is expected to be re-activated in GDL 1585.

```
(define-object approximated-curve-test (base-object)
  :input-slots
  ((sample-b-spline-data
  '((#(-7.773502691896258 10.0 0.0)
#(-7.76304131662674 10.0 0.0035356993309923)
#(-7.746775287947699 10.0 0.0067001904580447)
#(-7.7253289934578415 10.0 0.0091817670732663)
#(-7.709372706886673 10.0 0.0109178383762297)
#(-7.693497618275636 10.0 0.0129741578942581)
#(-7.676981089448407 10.0 0.0152725944452429)
#(-7.660626985913543 10.0 0.0176076438762828)
#(-7.644400043044812 10.0 0.0198301741704749)
#(-7.628572854579257 10.0 0.0218811393098875)
#(-7.612456095337886 10.0 0.023892087537815)
#(-7.596123157036033 10.0 0.025876731740358)
#(-7.5797886014351645 10.0 0.0278392394943197)
#(-7.563598247718005 10.0 0.0297977372116626)
#(-7.54734474235553 10.0 0.0317827355165938)
#(-7.530817428296935 10.0 0.0338094455691551)
#(-7.514499984995836 10.0 0.0358111584598995)
#(-7.498530032892328 10.0 0.037762615650263)
#(-7.482560694806967 10.0 0.0396996233035483)
#(-7.466938587271525 10.0 0.0415717500361984)
#(-7.45613073401155 10.0 0.0428492028474684)
#(-7.445702016561547 10.0 0.04407409984323)
#(-7.439862498458236 10.0 0.0447555129227675)
#(-7.429535001467346 10.0 0.0459531655261334)
#(-7.423946015929491 10.0 0.0465975377728551)
#(-7.413554192167366 10.0 0.0477892161812883)
#(-7.407595596706495 10.0 0.0484686195293404)
#(-7.396934499325897 10.0 0.049677834187285)
#(-7.391025013196135 10.0 0.0503446277462212)
#(-7.380668397266659 10.0 0.0515077909624895)
#(-7.374959869886305 10.0 0.0521461185088044)
#(-7.36464849713204 10.0 0.05329441651439)
#(-7.3587350147730115 10.0 0.0539501551169936)
#(-7.348489965069932 10.0 0.0550810605426388)
#(-7.342793963594458 10.0 0.0557070781305422)
#(-7.332490622079339 10.0 0.0568343892437064)
#(-7.3264770440672065 10.0 0.0574891649794912)
#(-7.316219293859572 10.0 0.0586004349229853)
#(-7.310517864890045 10.0 0.0592151399809975)
#(-7.300540086253307 10.0 0.0602855343476251)
#(-7.294748391590457 10.0 0.0609037603868834)
#(-7.284555892216601 10.0 0.061985955452512)
#(-7.278577998313509 10.0 0.062617198511794)
#(-7.268114585011737 10.0 0.0637157114288265)
#(-7.261986919319522 10.0 0.0643552477004073)
#(-7.2514547970306005 10.0 0.0654480650996109)
#(-7.245363578736502 10.0 0.066076354340049)
#(-7.235168395459871 10.0 0.0671217900147562)
#(-7.2293285386923625 10.0 0.0677172614089348)
#(-7.219456797793601 10.0 0.0687181850892115)
#(-7.21363748676987 10.0 0.0693049508093313)
#(-7.203721331045569 10.0 0.0702991235190865)
```



Figure 11.65: APPROXIMATED-CURVE example

Input slots (required):

Curve-in GDL Curve object

The curve to be approximated with this curve.

Input slots (optional):

Match-parameterization? Boolean

Indicates whether the new-curve should contain matching parameterization between breakpoints. If nil, the parameterization can slip a little, but not very much. Allowing the parameterization between breakpoints to slip results in somewhat fewer control points. Use non-nil only if a parameter-to-parameter match is important to your application. The default is nil.

Pinned-parameters List of numbers

These are parameter values from the original curve where the approximated curve will be forced to be identical to the original curve. Defaults to nil.

Tolerance Number

The maximum distance deviation from the curve-in to this curve. Defaults to 1.0e-5 times the diagonal of the bounding box of the input curve.

Computed slots:

Achieved-tolerance Number

This should reflect the actual tolerance achieved with the approximation. In the case of smlib, it is not clear exactly what this value is supposed to mean – from examples we

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-arc-curve (arc-curve)
    :computed-slots
    ((center (make-point 0 0 0)) (radius 10) (start-angle 0) (end-angle 2pi)))
(generate-sample-drawing :objects (make-object 'test-arc-curve))

(define-object test-arc-curve2 (arc-curve)
    :computed-slots
    ((center (make-point 0 0 0)) (radius 5) (start-angle (* 0.25 pi)) (end-angle pi)))
(generate-sample-drawing :objects (make-object 'test-arc-curve))
```

Figure 11.66: Example Code for ARC-CURVE

have seen so far, the value appears to range between 0.0 and 1.0, and it appears that values close to 1.0 indicate a close approximation, and values close to 0.0 indicate a loose approximation..

• ARC-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE, ARC

<u>Description</u> An arc represented exactly as a quadratic NURBS curve. Inputs are the same as for arc. Messages are the union of those for arc and those for curve.

• B-SPLINE-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

<u>Description</u> A general NURBS (potentially non-Uniform, potentially Rational, b-spline) curve specified with control points, weights, knots, and degree.

If the knot-vector is different from the default, it is non-Uniform.

If any of the weights are different from 1.0, it is Rational.

Input slots (required):

Control-points List of 3D Points

The control points.

Input slots (optional):

Degree Integer

Degree of the curve. Defaults to 3 (cubic).

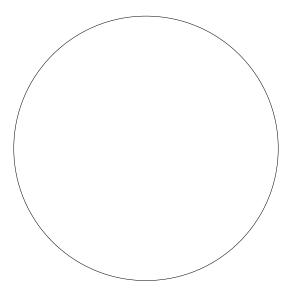


Figure 11.67: ARC-CURVE example

Knot-vector List of Numbers

Knots of the curve. Default is NIL, which indicates a uniform knot vector.

Local? Boolean

Indicates whether the inputted control-points should be considered in local coordinate system of this object. Default is nil.

Weights List of numbers

A weight to match each control point. Should be same length as control-points. Default is a value of 1.0 for each weight, resulting in a nonrational curve.

• B-SPLINE-SURFACE

Mixins: SURFACE

<u>Description</u> A general b-spline surface specified with control points, weights, knots, and degree.

Input slots (required):

Control-points List of lists of 3D Points

The control net.

Input slots (optional):

U-degree Integer

Degree of surface in U direction. Defaults to 3.

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-b-spline-curves (base-object)
:input-slots
((control-points (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                        (make-point 2 3.0 0.0)
                        (make-point 4 2.0 0.0)
                        (make-point 5 0.0 0.0)
                        (make-point 4 -2.0 0.0)
                        (make-point 2 -3.0 0.0)
                        (make-point 0 0 0))))
:objects
((curves :type 'b-spline-curve
         :sequence (:size 6)
         :control-points (the control-points)
         :degree (1+ (the-child :index))
         :display-controls (list :line-thickness (* 0.3 (the-child index))
                                  :color (ecase (the-child index)
                                           (0 :red) (1 :orange)
                                           (2 :yellow) (3 :green)
                                           (4 :blue) (5 :red-violet))))
 (points :type 'point
         :sequence (:size (length (rest (the control-points))))
         :center (nth (the-child index) (rest (the control-points)))
         :display-controls (list :color :green))))
(generate-sample-drawing :object-roots (make-object 'test-b-spline-curves))
;; Here is another example which shows the difference between a
;; simple bezier-curve from the :geom-base package, and a NURBS.
;;
(define-object bezier-and-nurbs (base-object)
  :input-slots ((control-points (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                                       (make-point 1 1 0)
                                       (make-point 2 1 0)
                                       (make-point 3 0 0))))
  :objects ((points :type 'points-display
                     :points (the control-points))
             (bezier :type 'bezier-curve
                     ;; This will be a geom-base:bezier-curve
                     :display-controls (list :color :green)
                     :control-points (the control-points))
             (b-spline :type 'b-spline-curve
                       ;; This will be an equivalent surf:b-spline-curve.
                       :display-controls (list :color :red :bezier-points t)
                       :control-points (the bezier control-points))
```

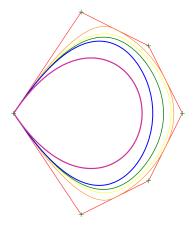


Figure 11.69: B-SPLINE-CURVE example

Figure 11.70: Example Code for B-SPLINE-SURFACE

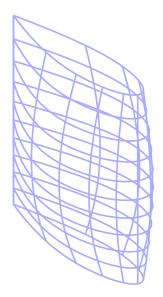


Figure 11.71: B-SPLINE-SURFACE example

U-knot-vector List of Numbers

Knots in U direction. Default is NIL, which indicates a uniform knot vector in U direction.

V-degree Integer

Degree of surface in V direction. Defaults to 3.

V-knot-vector List of Numbers

Knots in V direction. Default is NIL, which indicates a uniform knot vector in V direction.

Weights List of lists of numbers

A weight to match each control point. Should be congruent with control-points (i.e. same number of rows and columns). Default is a value of 1.0 for each weight, resulting in a nonrational surface.

• BASIC-SURFACE

Mixins: SURFACE

<u>Description</u> This routine constructs a 3D surface by interpolating a set of four boundary 3D curves.

Input slots (required):

Curve-bottom GDL curve object

The curve corresponding to the surface bottom boundary.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object test-basic-surface (base-object)
:computed-slots
((control-points-u-min (list (make-point 0 0 0 )
                              (make-point 1 0 0 )
                              (make-point 2 0 1 )
                              (make-point 3 0 0 )
                              (make-point 4 0 0 )))
 (control-points-u-max (list (make-point 0 4 0 )
                              (make-point 1 4 0 )
                              (make-point 2 4 1 )
                              (make-point 3 4 0 )
                              (make-point 4 4 0 )))
 (control-points-v-min (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                              (make-point 0 1 0 )
                              (make-point 0 2 1 )
                              (make-point 0 3 0 )
                              (make-point 0 4 0 )))
 (control-points-v-max (list (make-point 4 0 0 )
                              (make-point 4 1 0 )
                              (make-point 4 2 1 )
                              (make-point 4 3 0 )
                              (make-point 4 4 0 ))))
:objects
((surf-curve-u-min :type 'fitted-curve
                    :display-controls (list :color :green :line-thickness 2)
                    :points (the control-points-u-min))
 (surf-curve-u-max :type 'fitted-curve
                    :display-controls (list :color :green :line-thickness 2)
                    :points (the control-points-u-max))
 (surf-curve-v-min :type 'fitted-curve
                    :display-controls (list :color :blue :line-thickness 2)
                    :points (the control-points-v-min))
 (surf-curve-v-max :type 'fitted-curve
                    :display-controls (list :color :blue :line-thickness 2)
                    :points (the control-points-v-max))
 (surface :type 'basic-surface
          :display-controls (list :color :red :line-thickness 0.5)
           :curve-bottom (the surf-curve-u-min)
           :curve-top (the surf-curve-u-max)
           :curve-left (the surf-curve-v-min)
           :curve-right (the surf-curve-v-max))
 (arc-1 :type 'arc-curve
         :display-controls (list :color :green :line-thickness 2)
         :orientation (alignment :top (the (face-normal-vector :rear)))
         :center (make-point 1 0 0)
```

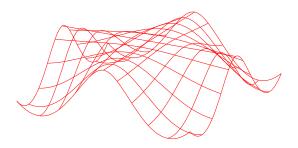


Figure 11.73: BASIC-SURFACE example

Curve-left GDL curve object

The curve corresponding to the surface left boundary.

Curve-right GDL curve object

The curve corresponding to the surface right boundary.

Curve-top GDL curve object

The curve corresponding to the surface top boundary.

• BLENDED-SOLID

Mixins: BREP

Description This primitive attempts to fillet one or more edges of a brep solid.

Input slots (required):

Brep GDL Brep object

This is the original solid, whose edges you want to be filleted.

Default-radius Number

This will be used as the fillet radius.

Input slots (optional):

Specs Plist with key :edges

This specifies which edges are to be filleted. The default (nil) means that all edges should be filleted.

Figure 11.74: Example Code for BLENDED-SOLID

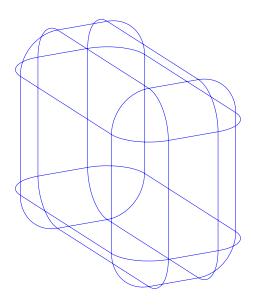


Figure 11.75: BLENDED-SOLID example

• BOOLEAN-MERGE

Mixins: BOOLEAN-TOLERANCE-MIXIN, BREP

<u>Description</u> Generalized Merge container for doing boolean operations. This is not to be used directly, but is mixed into subtracted-solid, united-solid, intersected-solid, and separated-solid. The specific operation is specified in the respective subclass.

Input slots (required):

Other-brep GDL Brep object or object containing a brep, or list of brep objects or object containing a brep. Second (or rest) of the breps to be merged into the given brep

Input slots (optional):

Allow-multiple-regions? Boolean

If set to non-nil, throw warning but not error if any of the input breps has more than one non-infinite region. Defaults to *boolean-allow-multiple-regions?*, which itself defaults to nil.

Angle-tolerance Number

Defaults to *angle-tolerance-radians-default*.

Brep GDL Brep object or object containing a brep

First of the breps to be merged

Error-on-invalid? Boolean

If set to non-nil, we throw an error instead of a warning if the resulting brep does not pass the built-in validation test. If nil, we throw a warning but continue to return the resulting brep. Defaults to *boolean-error-on-invalid-brep?* which itself defaults to t.

Sew-and-orient? Boolean

Indicates whether we should try to sew and orient the resulting brep. Usually a good idea and this is defaulted to t, except for merged-solid where we default this to nil.

• BOOLEAN-TOLERANCE-MIXIN

Mixins: VANILLA-MIXIN

Description Implements adaptive tolerancing for certain brep objects.

Input slots (optional):

Approximation-tolerance Number

Defaults to *3d-approximation-tolerance-default* if non-nil. If this value is nil, then this defaults to the approximation-tolerance-adaptive.

Approximation-tolerance-adaptive Number

Defaults to the minimum of the adaptive-tolerance of any of the input breps, multiplied by the approximation-tolerance-factor, rounded to nearest multiple of tenths (e.g. it will be 0.01, 0.001, 0.001), however if this evaluates as zerop, *3d-approximation-tolerance-default* will be used instead.

Figure 11.76: Example Code for BOX-SOLID

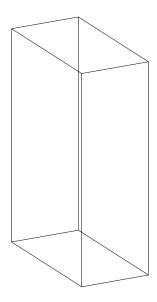


Figure 11.77: BOX-SOLID example

Approximation-tolerance-factor Number

Defaults to *approximation-tolerance-factor*. This is multiplied by the minimum of the adaptive-tolerance of any of the input breps to produce the approximation-tolerance-adaptive.

• BOX-SOLID

Mixins: BREP, BOX

<u>Description</u> A rectangular box represented as a brep solid. Contains the union of messages (e.g. input-slots, computed-slots, etc) from brep and box.

• BOXED-CURVE

Mixins: OUTLINE-SPECIALIZATION-MIXIN, B-SPLINE-CURVE

<u>Description</u> This object behaves as a hybrid of a curve and a normal box. You pass in a curve-in, and it essentially traps the curve in a box, which will respond to normal GDL :center and :orientation. You can also pass a scale, or scale-x, or scale-y, or scale-z as with a transformed-curve.

Input slots (required):

Curve-in GDL Curve object

This can be any type of curve, e.g. b-spline-curve, fitted-curve, or an edge from a solid brep. Note that the reference-box of this curve (i.e. its center and orientation) will have an effect on the resulting boxed-curve. If you want to consider the incoming curve-in as being in global space, then make sure its center is (0 0 0) and its orientation is nil or equivalent to geom-base::+identity-3x3+

Input slots (optional):

Center 3D Point in global space

You can pass in a new center for the curve's reference box, which will move the whole box including the curve. This defaults to the orientation-center (if given), otherwise to the (the curve-in center).

From-center 3D Point in global space

The center with respect to which this object should be positioned. Normally this should not be specified by user code, unless you know what you are doing [e.g. to override the center of a curve-in which is meaningless and force it to be interpreted as a curve in global space, you could specify this as (the center) when passing it in from the parent]. Default is (the curve-in center).

From-object GDL object which mixes in base-object

The current boxed-curve will be positioned and oriented with respect to the center and orientation of this object. The default is (the curve-in).

From-orientation 3x3 Transformation Matrix

The orientation with respect to which this object should be oriented. Normally this should not be specified by user code, unless you know what you are doing [e.g. to override the orientation of a curve-in which is meaningless and force it to be interpreted as a curve in the parent's coordinate system, you could specify this as (the orientation) when passing it in from the parent]. Default is (the curve-in orientation).

Orientation 3x3 Transformation Matrix

This will be the new orientation for the box and the contained curve. Default is (the curve-in orientation) – i.e. identical orientation with the provided curve-in.

Orientation-center 3D Point in global space

If you provide this, the curve's reference box will be moved to have its center at this point, before any orientation is applied. This will become the new center of the resulting boxed-curve, unless you explicitly pass in a different center. Default is nil.

```
(define-object boxed-curves-test (base-object)
 :computed-slots ((b-spline (the b-splines (curves 2))))
 :objects
 ((b-splines :type 'test-b-spline-curves)
 (boxed :type 'boxed-curve
         :curve-in (the b-splines (curves 2)))
 (translated :type 'boxed-curve
              :curve-in (the b-spline)
              :center (translate (the center) :left 15))
 (twisted :type 'boxed-curve
           :curve-in (the boxed)
           :orientation
           (alignment :left (the (face-normal-vector :top))
                      :rear (rotate-vector-d (the (face-normal-vector :rear))
                                             (the (face-normal-vector :top)))))
 (rotated :type 'boxed-curve
           :curve-in (the b-spline)
           :display-controls (list :color :purple)
           :orientation
           (alignment :left
                      (rotate-vector-d (the (face-normal-vector :left))
                                       (the (face-normal-vector :rear)))))
 (rotated-about :type 'boxed-curve
                 :curve-in (the b-spline)
                 :display-controls (list :color :purple)
                 :orientation-center (translate (the center) :right 2.5)
                 ;;:center (translate (the center) :up 5)
                 :orientation
                 (alignment :left
                            (rotate-vector-d (the (face-normal-vector :left))
                                              (the (face-normal-vector :rear)))))
  (moved-up :type 'boxed-curve
            :curve-in (the rotated-about)
            :center (translate (the rotated-about center)
                               :up 7
                               :left 5))
 (straightened :type 'boxed-curve
                :curve-in (the moved-up)
                :orientation
                (alignment
                 :left
                 (rotate-vector-d
                  (the-child curve-in (face-normal-vector :left))
                  (the-child curve-in (face-normal-vector :rear)))
                 :rear (the-child curve-in (face-normal-vector :rear))))
```

Scale Number

The overall scale factor for X, Y, and Z, if no individual scales are specified. Defaults to 1.

Scale-x Number

The scale factor for X. Defaults to 1.

Scale-y Number

The scale factor for Y. Defaults to 1.

Scale-z Number

The scale factor for Z. Defaults to 1.

Show-box? Boolean

This determines whether the reference box is displayed along with the curve. Default is t (will be changed to nil).

Show-control-polygon? Boolean

This determines whether the control polygon is displayed along with the curve. Default is nil.

Show-tight-box? Boolean

This determines whether the tight box is displayed along with the curve. Default is nil.

Translation-threshold Number

Tolerance to determine whether the boxed-curve has moved with respect to the original. Default is *zero-epsilon*

Computed slots:

Control-points List of 3D Points

The control points.

Degree Integer

Degree of the curve. Defaults to 3 (cubic).

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Knot-vector List of Numbers

Knots of the curve. Default is NIL, which indicates a uniform knot vector.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Weights List of numbers

A weight to match each control point. Should be same length as control-points. Default is a value of 1.0 for each weight, resulting in a nonrational curve.

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

• BOXED-SURFACE

Mixins: B-SPLINE-SURFACE

<u>Description</u> This object behaves as a hybrid of a surface and a normal box. You pass in a surface-in, and it essentially traps the surface in a box, which will respond to normal GDL :center and :orientation. You can also pass a scale, or scale-x, or scale-y, or scale-z as with a transformed-surface.

Input slots (required):

Surface-in GDL Surface object

This can be any type of surface, e.g. b-spline-surface, fitted-surface, or an edge from a solid brep. Note that the reference-box of this surface (i.e. its center and orientation) will have an effect on the resulting boxed-surface. If you want to consider the incoming surface-in as being in global space, then make sure its center is (0 0 0) and its orientation is nil or equivalent to geom-base::+identity-3x3+

Input slots (optional):

Center 3D Point in global space

You can pass in a new center for the surface's reference box, which will move the whole box including the surface. This defaults to the orientation-center (if given), otherwise to the (the surface-in center).

From-center 3D Point in global space

The center with respect to which this object should be positioned. Normally this should not be specified by user code, unless you know what you are doing [e.g. to override the center of a surface-in which is meaningless and force it to be interpreted as a surface in global space, you could specify this as (the center) when passing it in from the parent]. Default is (the surface-in orientation).

From-object GDL object which mixes in base-object

The current boxed-surface will be positioned and oriented with respect to the center and orientation of this object. The default is (the surface-in).

From-orientation 3x3 Transformation Matrix

The orientation with respect to which this object should be oriented. Normally this should not be specified by user code, unless you know what you are doing [e.g. to override the orientation of a surface-in which is meaningless and force it to be interpreted as a surface in the parent's coordinate system, you could specify this as (the orientation) when passing it in from the parent]. Default is (the surface-in orientation).

Orientation 3x3 Transformation Matrix

This will be the new orientation for the box and the contained surface. Default is (the surface-in orientation) – i.e. identical orientation with the provided surface-in.

Orientation-center 3D Point in global space

If you provide this, the surface's reference box will be moved to have its center at this point, before any orientation is applied. This will become the new center of the resulting boxed-surface, unless you explicitly pass in a different center. Default is nil.

```
(define-object boxed-surfaces-test (base-object)
 ;;bounding-box-from-points gives errors
 :objects
 ((b-spline :type 'test-b-spline-surface)
  (boxed :type 'boxed-surface
          :surface-in (the b-spline))
  (translated :type 'boxed-surface
               :surface-in (the b-spline)
               :center (translate (the center) :left 15))
  (twisted :type 'boxed-surface
            :surface-in (the boxed)
            :orientation
            (alignment :left (the (face-normal-vector :top))
                       :rear (rotate-vector-d (the (face-normal-vector :rear))
                                              (the (face-normal-vector :top)))))
  (rotated :type 'boxed-surface
            :surface-in (the b-spline)
            :display-controls (list :color :purple)
            :orientation
            (alignment :left
                       (rotate-vector-d (the (face-normal-vector :left))
                                        (the (face-normal-vector :rear)))))
  (rotated-about :type 'boxed-surface
                  :surface-in (the b-spline)
                  :display-controls (list :color :purple)
                  :orientation-center (translate (the center) :right 2.5)
                  ;;:center (translate (the center) :up 5)
                  :orientation
                  (alignment :left
                             (rotate-vector-d (the (face-normal-vector :left))
                                              (the (face-normal-vector :rear)))))
  (moved-up :type 'boxed-surface
             :surface-in (the rotated-about)
             :center (translate (the rotated-about center)
                                :up 7
                                :left 5))
  (straightened :type 'boxed-surface
                 :surface-in (the moved-up)
                 :orientation
                 (alignment :left
                            (rotate-vector-d
                             (the-child surface-in (face-normal-vector :left))
                             (the-child surface-in (face-normal-vector :rear)))
                            :rear (the-child surface-in (face-normal-vector
                                                          :rear))))
```

Scale Number

The overall scale factor for X, Y, and Z, if no individual scales are specified. Defaults to

Scale-x Number

The scale factor for X. Defaults to 1.

Scale-y Number

The scale factor for Y. Defaults to 1.

Scale-z Number

The scale factor for Z. Defaults to 1.

Show-box? Boolean

This determines whether the reference box is displayed along with the surface. Default is nil.

Show-control-polygon? Boolean

This determines whether the control polygon is displayed along with the surface. Default is t (will be changed to nil).

Show-tight-box? Boolean

This determines whether the tight box is displayed along with the surface. Default is nil.

Computed slots:

Control-points List of lists of 3D Points

The control net.

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

U-degree Integer

Degree of surface in U direction. Defaults to 3.

U-knot-vector List of Numbers

Knots in U direction. Default is NIL, which indicates a uniform knot vector in U direction.

V-degree Integer

Degree of surface in V direction. Defaults to 3.

V-knot-vector List of Numbers

Knots in V direction. Default is NIL, which indicates a uniform knot vector in V direction.

Weights List of lists of numbers

A weight to match each control point. Should be congruent with control-points (i.e. same number of rows and columns). Default is a value of 1.0 for each weight, resulting in a nonrational surface.

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

• BREP

Mixins: GEOMETRY-KERNEL-OBJECT-MIXIN, IFS-OUTPUT-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

Author Dave Cooper, Genworks

<u>Description</u> A general superclass for all boundary representation geometric entities. This currently follows the smlib topology model, with breps containing regions, regions containing shells, and shells containing faces and edges. Shells which completely enclose a volume are considered to make up a solid brep.

Input slots (optional):

Brep-tolerance Number

Overall tolerance for the created brep solid. Defaults to nil. Note that a value of nil indicates for SMLib to use value of 1.0e-05 of the longest diagonal length of the brep.

Built-from GDL Brep object

Defaults to nil. Specify this if you want this brep to be a clone of an existing brep. (note - this uses a shared underlying brep object, it does not make a copy)

Face-brep-colors List of Color Keywords

These indicate the colors for the breps produced by (the face-breps). If the number of face-breps exceeds the length of this list, the colors will be repeated in order. Defaults to a list with keys:

- :green
- :red
- :blue
- :purple-dark
- :violet
- :cyan.

Tessellation-parameters Plist of keyword symbols and numbers

This controls tessellation for this brep. The keys are as follows:

- :min-number-of-segments
- :max-3d-edge-factor
- :min-parametric-ratio
- :max-chord-height
- :max-angle-degrees
- :min-3d-edge
- :min-edge-ratio-uv
- :max-aspect-ratio

and the defaults come from the following parameters:

(list

```
:min-number-of-segments *tess-min-number-of-segments*
:max-3d-edge-factor *tess-max-3d-edge-factor*
:min-parametric-ratio *tess-min-parametric-ratio*
:max-chord-height *tess-max-chord-height*
:max-angle-degrees *tess-max-angle-degrees*
:min-3d-edge *tess-min-3d-edge*
:min-edge-ratio-uv *tess-min-edge-ratio-uv*
:max-aspect-ratio *tess-max-aspect-ratio*)
```

Input slots (optional, settable):

Density Number

The density per unit volume of the brep. Defaults to 1

Display-iso-curves-wireframe? Boolean

Determines whether the isoparametric curves of each face of the brep are used for wire-frame display. The default is T.

Display-tessellation-lines-wireframe? Boolean

Determines whether the tessellation grid-lines of the brep are used for wireframe display. The default is NIL.

Isos Plist with keys :n-u and :n-v

The number of isoparametric curves to be displayed in each direction. This value comes from the value of :isos on the display-controls if that exists, and defaults to *isos-default* otherwise.

Max-3d-edge Number

Used for tessellations. Computed from (the max-extent) and (the max-3d-edge-factor). WARNING: Modify this value at your peril. Small values can cause intractable tessellations. It is better to tweak max-3d-edge-factor to a small value like 0.1, as this will be taken relative to the max-extent of the brep.

Max-3d-edge-factor Number

Used for tessellations. Default comes from (the tessellation-parameters).

Max-angle-degrees Number

Used for tessellations. Default comes from (the tessellation-parameters).

Max-aspect-ratio Number

Used for tessellations. Default comes from (the tessellation-parameters).

Max-chord-height Number

Used for tessellations. Default comes from (the tessellation-parameters).

Min-3d-edge Number

Used for tessellations. Default comes from (the tessellation-parameters).

Min-edge-ratio-uv Number

Used for tessellations. Default comes from (the tessellation-parameters).

Min-number-of-segments Integer

Used for tessellations. Default comes from (the tessellation-parameters).

Min-parametric-ratio Number

Used for tessellations. Default comes from (the tessellation-parameters).

Poly-brep-smooth-results? Boolean

Smooth results for poly-brep? Defaults to t.

Computed slots:

Adaptive-tolerance Number

This is the actual tolerance stored in the SMLib object.

Bounding-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding the tree of geometric objects rooted at this object.

Local-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding this geometric object.

Min-max-x-y-z

Triangle-data List of Plists, one for each face, format still being determined

. Contains triangle and connectivity data for the tessellation of this brep. Exact supported format will be documented here when ready.

Hidden objects:

Composed-edges The composed edges contained within this brep, this is valid just if the brep does not contain holes

Edges-sequence Sequence of GDL Edge Objects

The Edges contained within this brep aranged clockwise or anticlockwise, this is valid just if the brep does not contain holes

Poly-brep Polygonal Brep Object

This brep represented as a Polygonal Brep

Hidden objects (sequence):

Edges Sequence of GDL Edge Objects

The Edges contained within this brep.

Face-breps Sequence of GDL Brep objects

One brep for each face in the parent brep, containing only that face.

Faces Sequence of GDL Face Objects

The Faces contained within this brep.

Regions Sequence of GDL Region Objects

The Regions contained within this brep.

Shells Sequence of GDL Shell Objects

The Shells contained within this brep.

Vertices Sequence of GDL Vertex Objects

The Vertices contained within this brep.

Gdl functions:

Area Number

Area covered by the faces of the brep.

Area-moments-of-inertia 3D Vector (i

e. 3D Point). Returns the Area Moments of Inertia of the brep.

Area-products-of-inertia 3D Vector (i

e. 3D Point). Returns the Area Products of Inertia of the brep.

Area-second-moment-about-coordinate-axii 3D Vector (i

e. 3D Point). Returns the Area Second Moment About Coordinate Axii of the brep.

Area-static-moments 3D Vector (i

e. 3D Point). Returns the Area Static Moments of the brep.

Brep-intersect? Value nil or t

This function performs an intersection between this brep and another brep. The function returns a NIL value if no intersection is found and T if a intersection is found.

Center-of-gravity 3D Point

Center of gravity of the mass of the brep.

In? Boolean

Returns t or nil depending on whether the point given is within the boundary of the brep (including faces).

Mass Number

Mass represented by the brep, according to the density.

Moments Plist

Returns the moments of the brep. The plist contains keys: :area-static-moments, :area-moments-of-inertia,

Precise-properties Multiple values: Number, Number, Number, and Plist

Returns the area, volume, mass, and moments for the brep. The moments are labeled as: :area-static-moments, :area-moments-of-inertia,

Precise-properties-plist Plist with keys: :area, :volume, :mass, :moments

Returns the area, volume, mass, and moments for the brep. The moments are labeled as: :area-static-moments, :area-moments-of-inertia,

Properties Plist with keys: :area, :volume, :barycenter

Returns the approximate area, volume, and barycenter (center of mass) for the brep. These are computed with tessellation techniques, which may be less precise than the analytic techniques used in precise-properties, but should be faster to compute and exhibit more stability.

Tessellation Plist or list

Contains tessellation data for the brep based on the values of the keyword args. This is used to produce the value of (the triangle-data).

Volume Number

Volume enclosed by the brep.

Volume-moments-of-inertia 3D Vector (i

e. 3D Point). Returns the Volume Moments of Inertia of the brep.

Volume-products-of-inertia 3D Vector (i

e. 3D Point). Returns the Volume Products of Inertia of the brep.

Volume-second-moment-about-coordinate-axii 3D Vector (i

e. 3D Point). Returns the Volume Second Moment about Coordinate Axii of the brep.

Volume-static-moments 3D Vector (i

e. 3D Point). Returns the Volume Static Moments of the brep.

• BREP-INTERSECT

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> This primitive takes two brep objects and attempts to intersect the faces of the one with the faces of the other, yielding a sequence of edges which also behave as curves.

Input slots (required):

Brep Object of type brep

The first brep for intersecting its faces.

Other-brep Object of type brep

The other brep for intersecting faces.

Input slots (optional):

Angle-tolerance Number

Defaults to (radians-to-degrees *angle-tolerance-radians-default*).

Approximation-tolerance Number

Defaults to the max of the adaptive-tolerance of any of the input breps.

Hide-edges? Boolean

Should edges be children or hidden-children? Defaults to nil which makes them display as children.

Hide-points? Boolean

Should points be children or hidden-children? Defaults to nil which makes them display as children.

• CAD-ASSEMBLY

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

Description Represents a hierarchical CAD assembly for import into GDL.

Input slots (optional):

Center 3D Point

Indicates in global coordinates where the center of the reference box of this object should be located.

Display-controls Plist

May contain keywords and values indicating display characteristics for this object. The following keywords are recognized currently:

:color color keyword from the *color-table* parameter, or an HTML-style hexidecimal RGB string value, e.g. "#FFFFFF" for pure white. Defaults to :black.

:line-thickness an integer, defaulting to 1, indicating relative line thickness for wire-frame representations of this object.

:dash-pattern (currently PDF/PNG/JPEG only). This is a list of two or three numbers which indicate the length, in pixels, of the dashes and blank spaces in a dashed line. The optional third number indicates how far into the line or curve to start the dash pattern.

Imported-assembly GDL smlib:assembly-import object

Normally this should be left to its default value. Defaults to the assembly-import produced from the file-name.

Orientation 3x3 Matrix of Double-Float Numbers

Indicates the absolute Rotation Matrix used to create the coordinate system of this object. This matrix is given in absolute terms (i.e. with respect to the root's orientation), and is generally created with the alignment function. It should be an iorthonormal matrix, meaning each row is a vector with a magnitude of one (1.0).

Strings-for-display String or List of Strings

Determines how the name of objects of this type will be printed in most places. This defaults to the name-for-display (generally the part's name as specified in its parent), followed by an index number if the part is an element of a sequence.

• CARDINAL-SPLINE

Mixins: CURVE

<u>Author</u> Dave Cooper, Genworks International

<u>Description</u> This object makes a Cardinal Spline, which defaults to a Catmull-Rom Spline for nil tension-params (which means they all default to 0.0)

• COMPATIBLE-CURVES

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

Figure 11.80: Example Code for COMPATIBLE-CURVES

Author Dave Cooper, Genworks

<u>Description</u> Experimental. This primitive takes in a list of GDL curve objects and will compute a sequence of new curve objects which have been made to be compatible in terms of number of control points, knot vectors, and degree.

Input slots (optional):

 ${\bf Curve\hbox{-}list}\ \textit{List of GDL curve objects}$

Tolerance Tolerance is used to check knots removability for data reduction

A nil value indicates that no data reduction is to be attempted. Defaults to nil.

Objects (sequence):

Curves Sequence of GDL Curve objects

These are the resultant curves which are supposed to be compatible.

• COMPATIBLE-SURFACES

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> This routine makes compatible a list of GDL surface, minimum 2 surfaces is required.

Figure 11.81: COMPATIBLE-CURVES example

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object compatible-surfaces-test (surface)
  :computed-slots ((surface-list (list (the surf-A) (the surf-B))))
  :objects
  ((make-compatible-A-and-B :type 'compatible-surfaces
                            :display-controls (list :line-thickness 2)
                            :surface-list (the surface-list))
  (surf-A :type 'rectangular-surface
           :display-controls (list :color :green-spring-medium)
           :length 10
          :width 10 )
  (surf-B :type 'rectangular-surface
           :display-controls (list :color :red)
           :center (make-point 10 0 0 )
           :length 10
           :width 10 )))
(generate-sample-drawing :object-roots
                         (list (the-object (make-object 'compatible-surfaces-test)
                                           make-compatible-A-and-B)))
```

Figure 11.82: Example Code for COMPATIBLE-SURFACES

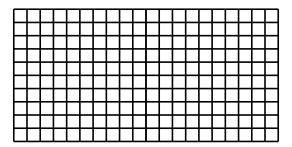


Figure 11.83: COMPATIBLE-SURFACES example

Input slots (required):

Surface-list List

A list of Gdl surface objects.

• COMPOSED-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

<u>Description</u> Creates a single NURBS curve from a list (ordered or unordered) NURBS curves. If the result is more than one curve, this object will throw an error and you should use composed-curves instead.

Input slots (required):

Curves List of GDL curve objects

These are the curves to be composed into a single curve.

Input slots (optional):

Coincident-point-tolerance Number

Distance two curve endpoints can be apart and be considered coincident, the composite will be built without doing anything to the endpoints. Default is 0.01. Note: This input-slot must be non-zero.

Distance-to-create-line Number

Distance two curve endpoints can be apart and have a linear curve segment automatically added between the points. Default is 0.1.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object test-global-filleted-polyline-curves (global-filleted-polyline-curves)
:computed-slots
((default-radius 5)
 (vertex-list (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                     (make-point 10 10 0)
                     (make-point 30 10 0)
                     (make-point 40 0 0)
                     (make-point 30 -10 0)
                     (make-point 10 -10 0)
                     (make-point 0 0 0))))
 :hidden-objects
((points :type 'point
          :sequence (:size (length (rest (the vertex-list))))
          :center (nth (the-child index) (rest (the vertex-list))))
 (view :type 'base-view
        :page-width (* 5 72) :page-height (* 5 72)
        :objects (cons self (list-elements (the points))))))
(define-object test-composed-curve (composed-curve)
 :computed-slots
((curves (the filleted-polyline-curves ordered-curves)))
:hidden-objects
((filleted-polyline-curves :type 'test-global-filleted-polyline-curves)))
(generate-sample-drawing :objects (the-object (make-object 'test-composed-curve))
                         :projection-direction (getf *standard-views* :trimetric))
```

Figure 11.84: Example Code for COMPOSED-CURVE

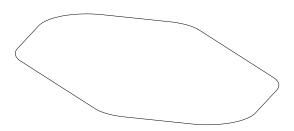


Figure 11.85: COMPOSED-CURVE example

• COMPOSED-CURVES

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> Creates multiple NURBS curves by composing a list (ordered or unordered) NURBS curves. If the result is expected to be a single curve, you may wish to use composed-curve instead.

Input slots (required):

Curves-in List of GDL curve objects

These are the curves to be composed into a single curve.

Input slots (optional):

Coincident-point-tolerance Number

Distance two curve endpoints can be apart and be considered coincident, the composite will be built without doing anything to the endpoints. Default is 0.01. Note: This input-slot must be non-zero.

Distance-to-create-line Number

Distance two curve endpoints can be apart and have a linear curve segment automatically added between the points. Default is 0.1.

Objects (sequence):

Curves Sequence of GDL Curve Objects

The curves resulting from composition.

Figure 11.86: Example Code for CONE-SOLID

• CONE-SOLID

Mixins: CYLINDER-SOLID, CONE

<u>Description</u> A right cone represented as a brep solid. Contains the union of messages (e.g. input-slots, computed-slots, etc) from brep and cone.

• CONIC-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

<u>Description</u> A curve constructed from conic inputs. Inputs are two endpoints, two end tangents, and a point on the curve.

Input slots (required):

End-point 3D Point

End Point

End-tangent 3D Vector

End Tangent

Point-on-curve 3D Point

A point on the curve.

Start-point 3D Point

Start Point

Start-tangent 3D Vector

Start Tangent

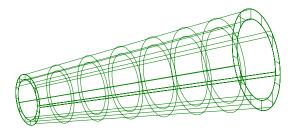


Figure 11.87: CONE-SOLID example

```
(in-package :gdl-user)

(define-object conic-curve-test (conic-curve)
    :computed-slots
    ((start-point (make-point -10 0 0))
        (start-tangent (make-point 0.1 1 0))
        (end-point (make-point 10 0 0))
        (end-tangent (make-point -0.1 1 0))
        (point-on-curve (make-point 0 12 0))))

(generate-sample-drawing :objects (make-object 'conic-curve-test))
```

Figure 11.88: Example Code for CONIC-CURVE

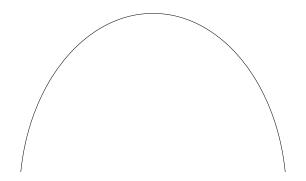


Figure 11.89: CONIC-CURVE example

• CURVE

Mixins: GEOMETRY-KERNEL-OBJECT-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

Description A generalized NURBS curve. Usually used as a mixin in more specific curves.

Input slots (optional):

Built-from GDL Curve

Specify this if you want this curve to be a clone of an existing curve. (note - this uses a shared underlying curve object, it does not make a copy)

Uv-curve GDL Curve object

The corresponding UV curve for the primary surface on which this curve lies, if any. If this is not a surface-curve, this will return an error.

Input slots (optional, defaulting, settable):

Tolerance Number

Approximation tolerance for display purposes. Defaults to the tolerance of the built-from curve, if one exists, otherwise defaults to the *display-tolerance*.

Computed slots:

Bounding-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding the tree of geometric objects rooted at this object.

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-curve (curve)
:input-slots
((built-from (the curv-in)))
:computed-slots
 ((control-pts (list (make-point 3 5 1)
                      (make-point 5 8.0 1)
                      (make-point 7 10.0 1)
                      (make-point 8 5.0 1)
                      (make-point 7 0.0 1)
                      (make-point 5 0.0 1)
                      (make-point 3 5 1))))
 :hidden-objects
  ((curv-in :type 'b-spline-curve
             :control-points (the control-pts))))
(generate-sample-drawing :object-roots (make-object 'test-curve)
                        :projection-direction :top)
```

Figure 11.90: Example Code for CURVE

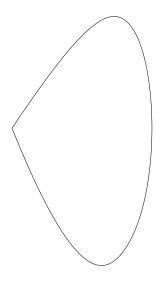


Figure 11.91: CURVE example

Direction-vector 3D Vector

The direction pointing from the start to the end.

End 3D Point

The point returned by evaluating the curve function at u2.

On-surfaces List of GDL surfaces

The surfaces on which this curve lies.

Start 3D Point

The point returned by evaluating the curve function at u1.

Success? Boolean

This will be t if the curve is generated successfully, nil otherwise.

U-max Number

The highest parameter value of the underlying mathematical definition for this parametric curve

U-min Number

The lowest parameter value of the underlying mathematical definition for this parametric curve

U1 Number

Equal to the natural u-min of the curve.

U2 Number

Equal to the natural u-max of the curve.

Hidden objects:

First-derivative GDL Curve

The first derivative of this curve. The degree will be one less than the degree of this curve.

Second-derivative GDL Curve

The second derivative of this curve. The degree will be two less than the degree of this curve.

Gdl functions:

Acceleration 3D Vector

The given parameter evaluated on the second derivative curve of this curve. Note that this is only valid if this curve has degree of at least two (2), and will throw an error otherwise.

B-spline-data List of 3D points, List of numbers, List of numbers, and integer

Returns four values which are the control points, the weights, the knots, and the degree of the curve.

Check-continuity Either T or a plist of numbers with keys : distance, angle, :length

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Closure Keyword symbol, :closed, :open, or :continuous

Curvature Number

The reciprocal of the radius of curvature at the given parameter.

Curve-intersection-point Surface Point

First point of intersection between this curve and the other curve given as the argument. This function also returns a second value, which is a surface point representing the end of a contiguous segment, if any, associated with the surface point given as the primary return value. A NIL value as this second return value indicates that there was no contiguous segment, only an intersecting point as indicated by the surface point given as the primary return value.

Curve-intersection-points Surface Points

Points of intersection between this curve and another curve. This function also returns a second value, which is a list of surface points representing the ends of contiguous segments, if any, associated with the surface point in the same position in the primary returned list. NIL values in this second returned list indicate that there was no contiguous segment, only an intersecting point as indicated by the surface point in the primary returned list.

Dropped-curve List of Plists

The returned list of plists contains information about the points where the tangents of this curve and those of the curve given as the argument are equal.

Dropped-point Surface Point

Given a 3D point, returns the point(s) projected normally onto the curve.

Equi-spaced-parameters List of Numbers

Returns the specified number of parameters equally spaced along the curve.

Equi-spaced-points List of 3D Points

Returns the specified number of points equally spaced along the curve.

In-plane? Boolean

Given a point and a vector defining a plane, returns T or NIL depending whether this curve lies in the plane. Also returns a second value which is the maximum distance of the curve from the plane.

Local-bounding-box Returns a bbox object, answering xmin, ymin, zmin, xmax, ymax, and zmax, for a box containing the convex hull (i.e. the control points) of this curve and oriented according to the given center and orientation.

Maximum-distance-to-curve Plist

The returned plist contains information about the maximum distance from this curve to the curve given as the argument.

Maximum-distance-to-point Plist

The returned plist contains information about the maximum distance from this curve to the point given as the argument.

Minimum-distance-to-curve Plist

The returned plist contains information about the minimum distance from this curve to the curve given as the argument.

Minimum-distance-to-point Plist

The returned plist contains information about the minimum distance from this curve to the point given as the argument.

Minimum-radius Number

The minimum radius of curvature for the curve. A second value is also returned, which is a surface point indicating the point on the curve where this minimum radius occurs. A third value is also returned, which is a list of additional curve parameters where similar minimum radii occur.

Normal 3D Vector

The normal of the curve at the given parameter value, i.e. the vector pointing from the point on the curve at this parameter to the center of the osculating circle at that point. if the curve has no curvature at the given parameter, NIL is returned.

Offset-point-along Surface point

Returns point at given parameter offset by given distance.

On? Boolean

Returns non-NIL if the given parameter lies within the parameter range of this curve.

Parameter-at-length Number

Returns the parameter representing a point offset from the start of the curve by the given length.

Parameter-at-point Number

Returns the parameter of the given point on the curve.

Parameter-bounds Numbers (multiple return values)

The minimum and maximum parameter values for this parametric curve.

Plane-intersection-point Surface Point

First point of intersection between this curve and the plane denoted by plane-point and plane-normal

Plane-intersection-points Surface Points

Points of intersection between this curve and the plane denoted by plane-point and plane-normal.

Point 3D Point

The point on the curve corresponding to the given parameter value.

Radius-of-curvature Number

The radius of curvature (i.e. radius of the osculating circle) at the given parameter.

Surface-intersection-point Surface point

Returns the first point of intersection between this curve and the surface given as an argument.

Surface-intersection-points List of Surface points

Returns the point(s) of intersection between this curve and the surface given as an argument.

Figure 11.92: Example Code for CYLINDER-SOLID

Tangent 3D Vector

The curve tangent at the given parameter value. Supplementary values returned are: the 3D point at the parameter value. If keyword argument :include-curvature? is given as non-NIL, the radius of the osculating circle, the center for the osculating circle, the normal for the osculating circle, and the curve normal are also returned. Note: If :include-curvature? is given as non-NIL and the curve has no curvature at the specified parameter, NIL is returned for each of these four values.

Tangent-points List of Plists

The returned list of plists contains information about the points where the tangents of this curve and the vector given as the argument are equal.

Total-length Number

The total length of the curve from given start-parameter to given end-parameter.

Trim GDL Curve object

Returns a curve which is trimmed from parameter-1 to parameter-2.

• CYLINDER-SOLID

Mixins: BREP, CYLINDER

<u>Description</u> A right cylinder represented as a brep solid. Contains the union of messages (e.g. input-slots, computed-slots, etc) from brep and cylinder

• DECOMPOSED-CURVES

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> Given an input curve, creates a sequence of curve segments that do not contain knots with degree-fold mutiplicity.

Input slots (required):

Curve-in GDL Curve

Curve (presumably multi-segment) to be decomposed.

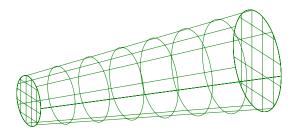


Figure 11.93: CYLINDER-SOLID example

Objects (sequence):

Curves Sequence of GDL curve objects

The resulting segment curves after decomposition.

• DROPPED-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

Description Creates a 3D curve which is the curve-in dropped normally to the surface...

The resulting 3D curve contains a uv-curve which is typically useful for trimming.

NOTE: Change from 1577p027 and forward – the dropped curve now is a 3D curve which can be drawn. It contains its uv representation on the surface. Previously, the uv-curve was the actual dropped-curve.

Input slots (required):

Curve-in GDL NURBS Curve

The curve to be dropped to the surface.

Surface GDL NURBS Surface

The surface on which the curve-in is to be dropped.

Computed slots:

Built-from GDL Curve

Specify this if you want this curve to be a clone of an existing curve. (note - this uses a shared underlying curve object, it does not make a copy)

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-global-filleted-polyline-curves (global-filleted-polyline-curves)
:computed-slots
((default-radius 5)
 (vertex-list (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                     (make-point 10 10 0)
                     (make-point 30 10 0)
                     (make-point 40 0 0)
                     (make-point 30 -10 0)
                     (make-point 10 -10 0)
                     (make-point 0 0 0))))
:hidden-objects
((points :type 'point
         :sequence (:size (length (rest (the vertex-list))))
         :center (nth (the-child index) (rest (the vertex-list))))))
(define-object test-composed-curve (composed-curve)
:computed-slots
((curves (the filleted-polyline-curves ordered-curves)))
:hidden-objects
((filleted-polyline-curves :type 'test-global-filleted-polyline-curves)))
(define-object test-decomposed-curves (decomposed-curves)
:computed-slots
((curve-in (the composed-curve)))
:objects ((composed-curve :type 'test-composed-curve)))
(generate-sample-drawing :object-roots (make-object 'test-decomposed-curves))
```

Figure 11.94: Example Code for DECOMPOSED-CURVES

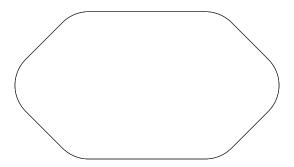


Figure 11.95: DECOMPOSED-CURVES example

Hidden objects:

Uv-curve GDL Curve object

The corresponding UV curve for the primary surface on which this curve lies, if any. If this is not a surface-curve, this will return an error.

• DUAL-BLEND-SURFACE

Mixins: GENERAL-DUAL-BLEND-SURFACE, VANILLA-MIXIN

Description Creates a smooth blend-surface between curve-1, lying on surface-1 and curve-2 on surface-2. The local start and end directions of this surface along curve-1 and curve-2 are determined from the cross-product between the tangent of these curves and the corresponding surface-normal at the same point. In this fashion a tangent blend is created between surface-1 and surface-2 that extends in a direction perpendicular to the input-curves. Takes the same inputs as general-dual-blend-surface, except for f-tangent-1 and f-tangent-2.

Computed slots:

F-tangent-1 Input-function

Parametric function defined from 0 to 1 that outputs the blend-surface's local direction vector along curve-1. The input value of 0 corresponds to the start of curve-1, 1 to the end of curve-1.

F-tangent-2 Input-function

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-trimmed-from-dropped-2 (trimmed-surface)
  :computed-slots
  ((uv-inputs t)
  (holes (list (the hole uv-curve)))
  (island (the island-3d uv-curve))
  (reverse-island? t) (reverse-holes? t)
  (display-controls (list :color :blue :line-thickness 2)))
  :hidden-objects
  ((basis-surface :type 'test-fitted-surface
                  :display-controls (list :color :grey-light-very)
                  :grid-length 10 :grid-width 10 :grid-height 5)
  (island-3d :type 'dropped-curve
             :curve-in (the raised-island)
              :surface (the basis-surface))
  (hole :type 'dropped-curve
         :curve-in (the raised-hole)
         :surface (the basis-surface))
  (raised-hole :type 'b-spline-curve
                :display-controls (list :color :grey-light-very)
                :control-points (list (make-point 3.5 4.5 7)
                                      (make-point 4.5 6 7)
                                      (make-point 5.5 7 7)
                                      (make-point 6 4.5 7)
                                      (make-point 5.5 2 7)
                                      (make-point 4.5 2 7)
                                      (make-point 3.5 4.5 7)))
  (raised-island :type 'b-spline-curve
                  :display-controls (list :color :grey-light-very)
                  :control-points (list (make-point 3 5 7)
                                         (make-point 5 8 7)
                                         (make-point 7 10 7)
                                         (make-point 8 5 7)
                                         (make-point 7 0 7)
                                         (make-point 5 0 7)
                                         (make-point 3 5 7)))))
 (generate-sample-drawing
  :objects (let ((self (make-object 'test-trimmed-from-dropped-2)))
             (list (the basis-surface) self (the raised-hole)
                   (the raised-island)))
  :projection-direction :trimetric)
```

Figure 11.96: Example Code for DROPPED-CURVE

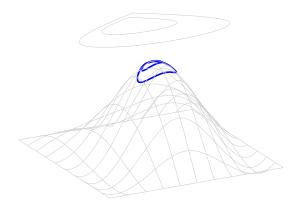


Figure 11.97: DROPPED-CURVE example

Parametric function defined from 0 to 1 that outputs the blend-surface's local direction vector along curve-2. The input value of 0 corresponds to the start of curve-2, 1 to the end of curve-2.

• EDGE

Mixins: CURVE

<u>Description</u> Represents one edge in a brep. This object is a type of curve and answers all curve messages.

Computed slots:

Faces List of GDL Face objects

The faces connected to this edge.

Gdl functions:

Uv-curve GDL Curve object

This represents the UV curve for this edge on the given surface. Note that you have to pass in the surface, which should be the basis-surface of a face connected to this edge. The GDL edge object will be supplemented with a sequence of faces which are connected with this edge.

• EDGE-BLEND-SURFACE

Mixins: GENERAL-DUAL-BLEND-SURFACE, VANILLA-MIXIN

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-d-b-s (base-object)
 :objects
((d-b-s :type 'dual-blend-surface
         :display-controls (list :color :green)
         :pass-down (curve-1 surface-1 curve-2 surface-2))
 (surf-1-top :type 'linear-curve
              :hidden? t
              :start (make-point -5 -5 0)
              :end (make-point 5 -5 0))
  (surf-1-bottom :type 'linear-curve
                 :hidden? t
                 :start (make-point -7 -10 -2)
                 :end (make-point 7 -10 -2))
  (surface-1 :type 'ruled-surface
             :curve-1 (the surf-1-top)
             :curve-2 (the surf-1-bottom))
  (curve-1 :type 'iso-curve
           :display-controls (list :color :red :line-thickness 4)
           :surface (the surface-1)
           :parameter 0
           :u-or-v :v)
 (surf-2-bottom :type 'linear-curve
                 :hidden? t
                 :start (make-point -5 5 0)
                 :end (make-point 5 5 0))
  (surf-2-top :type 'linear-curve
              :hidden? t
              :start (make-point -7 10 2)
              :end (make-point 7 10 2))
  (surface-2 :type 'ruled-surface
             :curve-1 (the surf-2-bottom)
             :curve-2 (the surf-2-top))
  (curve-2 :type 'iso-curve
           :display-controls (list :color :blue :line-thickness 4)
           :surface (the surface-2)
           :parameter 0
           :u-or-v :v)))
(generate-sample-drawing :object-roots (list (make-object 'test-d-b-s))
                          :projection-direction (getf *standard-views* :top))
```

Figure 11.98: Example Code for SURF::DUAL-BLEND-SURFACE

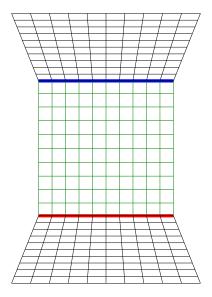


Figure 11.99: SURF::DUAL-BLEND-SURFACE example

<u>Description</u> Creates a smooth blend-surface between curve-1, lying on surface-1 and curve-2 on surface-2.

Note that curve-1 and curve-2 have to be so-called on-surface curves, which means they must answer a uv-curve message which is the UV representation of the curve on the given surface. The most common way to establish an on-surface curve is to use an iso-curve to begin with, or to use a projected-curve or dropped-curve to ensure that the curve is indeed an on-surface curve.

The local start and end directions of this surface at any point along curve-1 and curve-2 are determined from the cross-product between the tangent to the surface's u- or v-iso-curve (the one that is closest to being parallel to curve-1 or curve-2) at this point and the corresponding surface-normal at the same point. In this fashion a tangent blend is created between surface-1 and surface-2 that extends in a direction that follows and smoothly interpolates both surface's iso-curves. Takes the same inputs as general-dual-blend-surface, except for f-tangent-1 and f-tangent-2.

Input slots (optional):

Curve-1-uv GDL UV curve object

Defaults to the curve-1 uv-curve.

Curve-2-uv GDL UV curve object

Defaults to the curve-2 uv-curve.

Curve-side-1 Keyword

Used to specify the side w.r.t curve-1 in which the tangent blend-surface is to extend. Takes either :right-side or :left-side as input. Defaults to :right-side.

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-e-b-s (base-object)
 :objects
((e-b-s :type 'edge-blend-surface
         :display-controls (list :color :green)
         :curve-side-1 :left-side
         :curve-side-2 :left-side
         :pass-down (curve-1 surface-1 curve-2 surface-2))
  (surf-1-top :type 'linear-curve
              :hidden? t
              :start (make-point -5 -5 0)
              :end (make-point 5 -5 0))
  (surf-1-bottom :type 'linear-curve
                 :hidden? t
                 :start (make-point -7 -10 -2)
                 :end (make-point 7 -10 -2))
  (surface-1 :type 'ruled-surface
             :curve-1 (the surf-1-top)
             :curve-2 (the surf-1-bottom))
  (curve-1 :type 'iso-curve
           :display-controls (list :color :red :line-thickness 4)
           :surface (the surface-1)
           :parameter 0
           :u-or-v :v)
 (surf-2-bottom :type 'linear-curve
                 :hidden? t
                 :start (make-point -5 5 0)
                 :end (make-point 5 5 0))
  (surf-2-top :type 'linear-curve
              :hidden? t
              :start (make-point -7 10 2)
              :end (make-point 7 10 2))
  (surface-2 :type 'ruled-surface
             :curve-1 (the surf-2-bottom)
             :curve-2 (the surf-2-top))
 (curve-2 :type 'iso-curve
           :display-controls (list :color :blue :line-thickness 4)
           :surface (the surface-2)
           :parameter 0
           :u-or-v :v)))
(generate-sample-drawing :object-roots (list (make-object 'test-e-b-s))
                          :projection-direction (getf *standard-views* :top))
```

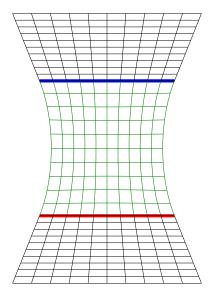


Figure 11.101: EDGE-BLEND-SURFACE example

Curve-side-2 Keyword

Used to specify the side w.r.t curve-2 in which the tangent blend-surface is to extend. Takes either :right-side or :left-side as input. Defaults to :right-side.

Computed slots:

F-tangent-1 Input-function

Parametric function defined from 0 to 1 that outputs the blend-surface's local direction vector along curve-1. The input value of 0 corresponds to the start of curve-1, 1 to the end of curve-1.

F-tangent-2 Input-function

Parametric function defined from 0 to 1 that outputs the blend-surface's local direction vector along curve-2. The input value of 0 corresponds to the start of curve-2, 1 to the end of curve-2.

• ELLIPTICAL-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE, ELLIPSE

<u>Description</u> An ellipse represented exactly as a quintic NURBS curve. Inputs are the same as for ellipse. Messages are the union of those for ellipse and those for curve.

• EXTENDED-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

```
(in-package :surf)

(define-object test-elliptical-curve (elliptical-curve)
    :computed-slots
    ((center (make-point 0 0 0))
        (major-axis-length 10)
        (minor-axis-length 5)
        (start-angle 0)
        (end-angle 2pi)))

(generate-sample-drawing :objects (make-object 'test-elliptical-curve))
```

Figure 11.102: Example Code for ELLIPTICAL-CURVE

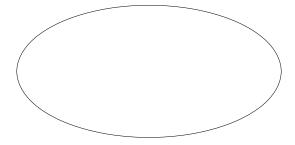


Figure 11.103: ELLIPTICAL-CURVE example

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object test-extended-curve ()
  :objects
 ((b-spline-curve :type 'b-spline-curve
                   :display-controls (list :color :black :line-thickness 3.0)
                   :control-points (list (make-point -2.0 0.0 0.0)
                                         (make-point 0.0 1.0 0.0)
                                         (make-point 1.0 0.0 0.0)
                                         (make-point 0.0 -1.0 0.0)))
  (extended-curve-G1 :type 'extended-curve
                      :curve-in (the b-spline-curve)
                      :distance 2.5
                      :distance-type :absolute
                      :extending-from :start
                      :continuity :g1
                      :display-controls (list :color :red))
  (extended-curve-G2 :type 'extended-curve
                      :curve-in (the b-spline-curve)
                      :distance 2.5
                      :distance-type :absolute
                      :extending-from :start
                      :continuity :g2
                      :display-controls (list :color :green))
  (extended-curve-Cmax :type 'extended-curve
                        :curve-in (the b-spline-curve)
                        :distance 2.5
                        :distance-type :absolute
                        :extending-from :start
                        :continuity :cmax
                        :display-controls (list :color :blue))))
(generate-sample-drawing :object-roots (make-object 'test-extended-curve))
```

Figure 11.104: Example Code for EXTENDED-CURVE

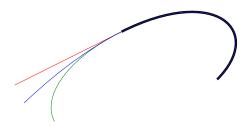


Figure 11.105: EXTENDED-CURVE example

Description Creates an extended curve extending its start or end (u1 and u2).

Input slots (required):

Curve-in GDL Curve Object

The underlying curve from which to build this curve.

Input slots (optional):

Continuity Keyword

Specified the extention continuity. If :g1 the curve is extended by a linear segment. Curve-in is at least G1(possibly C1) where the extension joins the original curve. If :g2 the curve is extended by reflection, yielding a G2 continuous extension. If :cmax the extension yields infinite(C) continuity at the join point(no knot there). Defaults to the :g2.

${\bf Distance}\ \mathit{Number}$

Specified the distance to which the curve is extended.

Distance-type Keyword

Specified if the distance is an absolute distance :absolute or the distance is scaled by the curve's arc length to yield the desired extension distance :relative. Defaults to the :absolute.

Extending-from Keyword

Specified from which end the curve to be extended. If :start the curve is extended back from its start point. If :end the the curve is extended forward from its end point. Defaults to the :start.

• EXTENDED-SURFACE

Mixins: SURFACE

<u>Description</u> Extends a surface to a curve, so that curve will become one of the new boundaries for the surface. Continuity is controlled via options. Note that in the example, extended and extended-2 do not give a smooth transition to the extended part of the surface because the original surface is only degree 1 in the direction of extension.

Input slots (required):

Curve GDL curve object

The curve to which the surface should be extended.

Surface GDL surface object

The surface to be extended.

Input slots (optional):

Continuity Keyword symbol, if deformation-param is given this can be one of :c1, :c2, or :cmax, and if deformation-param is not given this can be one of :g1 or :cmax. Default is :c1 if deformation-param is given and :g1 if deformation-param is not given.

Deformation-param Number, either a U or a V surface parameter

This value, if given, controls how far inward from the affected boundary the surface is modified. If (the direction) is :u, then this will be a U parameter, and likewise if (the direction) is :v, then this will be a V parameter. Default is nil which indicates no specific control over any deformation.

Direction Keyword symbol, one of :u or :v

The direction of extension. Note that if deformation-param is given, it will be a U parameter if this input :u, and a V parameter if this input is :v. Default is :u.

Which-end Keyword symbol, one of start or send

Default is :start.

• EXTRUDED-SOLID

Mixins: BREP

Description Generates a brep by extruding a profile along an axis vector.

Input slots (required):

Profile GDL Curve object

The profile to be extruded into a solid.

Input slots (optional):

Axis-vector 3D Vector

The direction of extrusion. Defaults to (the (face-normal-vector :top))

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object extended-surface-test (base-object)
  :computed-slots
  ((regression-test-data (list (multiple-value-list (the extended b-spline-data))
                               (multiple-value-list (the extended-2 b-spline-data))
                                (multiple-value-list (the extended-3 b-spline-data))
                               (multiple-value-list (the extended-4 b-spline-data))))
  (display-list-objects (list (the loft)
                               (the extended)
                               (the extended-2))))
  :objects
  ((test3 :type 'linear-curve
          :start (make-point 0 0 0)
          :end (make-point 10 0 0))
  (test4 :type 'linear-curve
          :start (make-point 0 10 0)
          :end (make-point 10 10 0))
  (mid-1 :type 'linear-curve
          :start (make-point 0 5.0 1)
          :end (make-point 10 5.0 1))
  (mid-2 :type 'linear-curve
          :start (make-point 0 8.0 1)
          :end (make-point 10 8.0 1))
  (bridge-1 :type 'b-spline-curve
             :control-points (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                                    (make-point -2 5.0 3)
                                    (make-point -2 8.0 3)
                                    (make-point 0 10 0)))
  (bridge-2 :type 'b-spline-curve
             :control-points (list (make-point 10 0 0)
                                    (make-point 12 5.0 5)
                                    (make-point 12 8.0 5)
                                    (make-point 10 10 0)))
  (bridge-3 :type 'b-spline-curve
             :control-points (list (make-point 0 -1 0)
                                    (make-point 3 -1 5)
                                    (make-point 7 -1 5)
                                    (make-point 10 -1 0)))
  (loft :type 'lofted-surface
         :curves (list (the test3) (the mid-1)
                       (the mid-2) (the test4)))
  (extended :type 'extended-surface
             :display-controls (list :color :red :line-thickness 2)
             :surface (the loft)
```

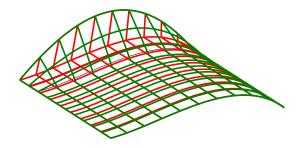


Figure 11.107: EXTENDED-SURFACE example

Brep-tolerance Number

Overall tolerance for the created brep solid. Defaults to nil. Note that a value of nil indicates for SMLib a value of 1.0e-05 of the longest diagonal length of the brep.

Distance Number

The distance to extrude the profile along the axis-vector. Defaults to (the height).

• FACE

Mixins: SURFACE

<u>Description</u> This object represents a (possibly) trimmed surface contained within a brep. It answers all the local messages of face, and it has surface mixed in as well, so it will answer all the surface messages. Note however that the local surface messages will operate on the basis, not on the trimmed representation. The messages for face will operate on the trimmed representation.

This object is not meant for direct instantiation; rather, a brep will contain a quantified set of faces (called "faces"), and trimmed surface also mixes in face, so a trimmed-surface will answer all the face messages.

Input slots (required):

Brep GDL Brep object

This is the brep object which contains this face object.

Input slots (optional):

Basis-surface GDL NURBS Surface

The underlying surface, before any trimming takes place.

Computed slots:

Bounding-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding the tree of geometric objects rooted at this object.

U-iso-curves Sequence of curve objects

The isoparametric curves in the U direction.

V-iso-curves Sequence of curve objects

The isoparametric curves in the V direction.

Hidden objects (sequence):

Edges Sequence of GDL Edge Objects

The Edges contained within this brep.

Gdl functions:

Area Number

Returns the area of the face.

Area-moments-of-inertia 3D Vector (ie 3D Point)

Returns the Area Moments of Inertia of the face.

Area-products-of-inertia 3D Vector (ie 3D Point)

Returns the Area Products of Inertia of the face.

Area-second-moment-about-coordinate-axii 3D Vector (ie 3D Point)

Returns the Area Second Moment About Coordinate Axii of the face.

Area-static-moments 3D Vector (ie 3D Point)

Returns the Area Static Moments of the face.

Moments Plist

Returns the moments of the face. The plist contains keys: :area-static-moments, :area-moments-of-inertia, :area-products-of-inertia, :area-second-moment-about-coordinate-axii, :volume-static-moments, :volume-moments-of-inertia, :volume-products-of-inertia, and :volume-second-moment-about-coordinate-axii.

Precise-properties Multiple values: Number, Number, and Plist

Returns the area, volume, and moments of the face. The moments are labeled as: :area-static-moments, :area-moments-of-inertia, :area-products-of-inertia, :area-second-moment-about-coordinate-axii, :volume-static-moments, :volume-moments-of-inertia, :volume-products-of-inertia, and :volume-second-moment-about-coordinate-axii.

Volume Number

Returns the volume of the face.

Figure 11.108: Example Code for FITTED-CURVE

Volume-moments-of-inertia 3D Vector (ie 3D Point)

Returns the Volume Moments of Inertia of the face.

Volume-products-of-inertia 3D Vector (ie 3D Point)

Returns the Volume Products of Inertia of the face.

Volume-second-moment-about-coordinate-axii 3D Vector (ie 3D Point)

Returns the Volume Second Moment about Coordinate Axii of the face.

Volume-static-moments 3D Vector (ie 3D Point)

Returns the Volume Static Moments of the face.

• FITTED-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

Description Fits a curve through a set of points with given degree and parameterization.

Input slots (required):

Points List of 3D Points

The points for fitting.

Input slots (optional):

Degree Integer

The desired degree of the resultant curve. Default is 3, unless there are fewer than four control point given, in which case it one less than the number of control points.

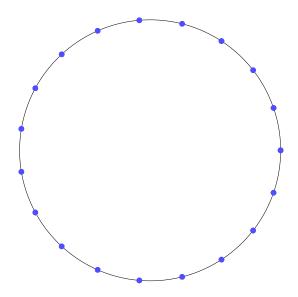


Figure 11.109: FITTED-CURVE example

Interpolant? Boolean

Indicates whether the curve will interpolate the points. Defaults to T .

Local? Boolean

Indicates whether the inputted control-points should be considered in local coordinate system of this object. Default is nil.

Parameterization Keyword symbol, one of :uniform, :chord-length, :centripetal

The parameterization to use in the resultant curve. Default is :centripetal. Note that the NLib documentation states that when specifying vectors and a vector-type of :tangents or :first-last, :chord-length is a recommended value for parameterization. If vectors are used and the vector-type is :normals, this input has no effect. The default is :chord-length

Tolerance Number or nil

The allowed tolerance for doing data reduction after the initial fitting. A nil value indicates that no data reduction is to be attempted. Defaults to nil.

Vector-type Keyword symbol, one of :tangents, :normals, or :first-last

:Tangents indicates that the :vectors specify a tangent vector at each point (there should be one vector for each point), :normals indicates that the :vectors specify a normal vector at each point (there should be one vector for each point), and :first-last indicates that the :vectors specify the starting and ending tangent (in this case there should be two vectors in the :vectors list. Default is :tangents.)

Vectors List of 3D Vectors

Optional list of vectors used to influence the fitting. Default is NIL.

• FITTED-SURFACE

Mixins: SURFACE

<u>Description</u> Fits a surface through a net of points with given degrees and parameterizations. Currently only interpolated surfaces are supported, this will be extended to allow smooth fitting without the surface necessarily interpolating (going through) each of the points.

Input slots (required):

Points List of lists of 3D Points

The points for fitting, with inner lists representing U direction and outer lists V direction.

Input slots (optional):

C11? Boolean

If interpolated, indicates whether to compute a C11 continuous nonrational bicubic NURBS surface. Defaults to nil.

Interpolant? Boolean

Indicates whether the surface will interpolate the points. Defaults to t.

Normals List of 3D vectors of same length as points, or nil

If given, these are the surface normals at each point.

Parameterization Keyword symbol, one of :uniform, :chord-length, :centripetal

The parameterization to use in the resultant surface if interpolant? is t. Default is :chord-length

Tangent-method Keyword symbol, one of :bessel, :akima

The method used to compute tangents. Defaults to :akima.

Tolerance Number

Tolerance for fit. Defaults to *3d-approximation-tolerance-default*.

U-degree Integer

The desired degree of the resultant surface in the U direction. Default is 3.

U-start Integer

The starting degree for the fit algorithm in the U direction. Default is 1.

V-degree Integer

The desired degree of the resultant surface in the V direction. Default is 3.

V-start Integer

The starting degree for the fit algorithm in the V direction. Default is 1.

Computed slots:

Bounding-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding the tree of geometric objects rooted at this object.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object c11-test (surface)
 :input-slots ()
 :computed-slots ()
 :objects
 ((surf-test :type 'fitted-surface
             :hidden nil
             :c11? t
             :points (list (list (make-point -1 0 0)
                                  (make-point 0 0 0)
                                  (make-point 0.001 0.0 0)
                                  (make-point 1 1 0)
                                  (make-point 1.001 1 0)
                                  (make-point 2 1 0)
                                  (make-point 2.001 1 0)
                                  (make-point 3 2 0)
                                  (make-point 3.001 2.001 0)
                                  (make-point 4 3 0)
                                  (make-point 5 4 0))
                           (list
                             (make-point -1 0 1)
                             (make-point 0 0 1)
                             (make-point 0.001 0.0 1)
                             (make-point 1 1 1)
                             (make-point 1.001 1 1)
                             (make-point 2 1 1)
                             (make-point 2.001 1 1)
                             (make-point 3 2 1)
                             (make-point 3.001 2.001 1)
                             (make-point 4 3 1)
                             (make-point 5 4 1))))))
(define-object test-fitted-surface (fitted-surface)
  :input-slots
  ((display-controls (list :color :green-spring :isos (list :n-v 19 :n-u 19)))
  (grid-width 4 :settable) (grid-length 4 :settable) (grid-height 4 :settable))
  :computed-slots
  ((points (list (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                       (make-point (/ (the grid-width) 4) 0 0)
                       (make-point (half (the grid-width)) 0 0)
                       (make-point (* 3/4 (the grid-width)) 0 0)
                       (make-point (the grid-width) 0 0))
                 (list (make-point 0 (/ (the grid-length) 4) 0)
                       (make-point (/ (the grid-width) 4)
                                    (/ (the grid-length) 4)
                                    (/ (the grid-height) 4))
                       (make-point (half (the grid-width))
                                    (/ (the grid-length) 4)
```

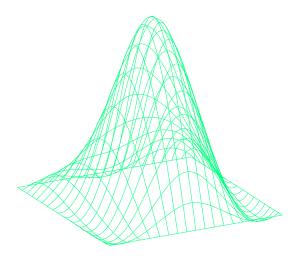


Figure 11.111: FITTED-SURFACE example

• GENERAL-DUAL-BLEND-SURFACE

Mixins: B-SPLINE-SURFACE

<u>Description</u> Creates a smooth blend-surface between curve-1, lying on surface-1 and curve-2 on surface-2. The local start and end directions of this surface along curve-1 and curve-2 are specified by the user with parametric functions.

Input slots (required):

Curve-1 GDL curve

Curve lying on surface-1 that forms the starting-edge of the blend-surface

Curve-2 GDL curve

Curve lying on surface-2 that forms the ending-edge of the blend-surface

F-tangent-1 Input-function

Parametric function defined from 0 to 1 that outputs the blend-surface's local direction vector along curve-1. The input value of 0 corresponds to the start of curve-1, 1 to the end of curve-1.

F-tangent-2 Input-function

Parametric function defined from 0 to 1 that outputs the blend-surface's local direction vector along curve-2. The input value of 0 corresponds to the start of curve-2, 1 to the end of curve-2.

Surface-1 GDL surface

Surface that is to be connected to surface-2 by the blend-surface

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-g-d-b-s (base-object)
 :computed-slots
((f-tangent-1 #'(lambda(param)
                   (rotate-vector-d
                    (the (face-normal-vector :top))
                    (the curve-1 (tangent param)))))
 (f-tangent-2 #'(lambda(param)
                   (rotate-vector-d
                    (the (face-normal-vector :bottom))
                    (the curve-2 (tangent param)))))
 (f-ratio-1 #'(lambda(param)
                 (declare (ignore param))
                 1/3))
  (f-ratio-2 #'(lambda(param)
                 (declare (ignore param))
                 1/3)))
 :objects
((g-d-b-s :type 'general-dual-blend-surface
           :display-controls (list :color :green)
           :pass-down (f-tangent-1
                       f-tangent-2 f-ratio-1 f-ratio-2
                       curve-1 surface-1 curve-2 surface-2))
  (surf-1-top :type 'linear-curve
              :hidden? t
              :start (make-point -5 -5 0)
              :end (make-point 5 -5 0))
  (surf-1-bottom :type 'linear-curve
                 :hidden? t
                 :start (make-point -7 -10 -2)
                 :end (make-point 7 -10 -2))
  (surface-1 :type 'ruled-surface
             :curve-1 (the surf-1-top)
             :curve-2 (the surf-1-bottom))
 (curve-1 :type 'iso-curve
           :display-controls (list :color :red :line-thickness 4)
           :surface (the surface-1)
           :parameter 0
           :u-or-v :v)
  (surf-2-bottom :type 'linear-curve
                 :hidden? t
                 :start (make-point -5 5 0)
                 :end (make-point 5 5 0))
```

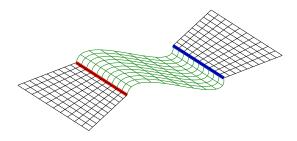


Figure 11.113: SURF::GENERAL-DUAL-BLEND-SURFACE example

Surface-2 GDL surface

Surface that is to be connected to surface-1 by the blend-surface

Input slots (optional):

F-ratio-1 Input-function

Parametric function defined from 0 to 1 that outputs the blend-surface's local blend-ratio along curve-1. The input value of 0 corresponds to the start of curve-1, 1 to the end of curve-1. The output local blend-ratio can be any number greater than 0, but the resulting blend surface can become erratic for values greater than 1. Defaults to a constant value of 1/3.

F-ratio-2 Input-function

Parametric function defined from 0 to 1 that outputs the blend-surface's local blend-ratio along curve-2. The input value of 0 corresponds to the start of curve-2, 1 to the end of curve-2. The output local blend-ratio can be any number greater than 0, but the resulting blend surface can become erratic for values greater than 1. Defaults to a constant value of 1/3.

N-segments Number

Number of b-spline-segments of the resulting blend-surface in the parametric direction along curve-1 and curve-2. Defaults to 50.

Computed slots:

Control-points List of lists of 3D Points

The control net.

U-degree Integer

Degree of surface in U direction. Defaults to 3.

U-knot-vector List of Numbers

Knots in U direction. Default is NIL, which indicates a uniform knot vector in U direction.

V-degree Integer

Degree of surface in V direction. Defaults to 3.

• GEOMETRY-KERNEL-OBJECT-MIXIN

Mixins: VANILLA-MIXIN

<u>Description</u> This mixin provides messages common to all NURBS-based objects whose underlying implementation comes from a modular geometry kernel such as SMLib.

Input slots (optional):

Color-decimal Vector of three real numbers

The RGB color of this object as imported from an external format (e.g. IGES) or as specified in :display-controls. Defaults to the foreground color specified in *colors-default*. This message should not normally be overridden in user application code.

Iges-level Integer

Synonym for the layer.

Layer Integer

The primary IGES-compatible level (layer) on which this object resides. Defaults to the first of the levels. This slot can be overridden in user code to specify a new layer which will be written out when this object is exported with the IGES output-format.

Levels List of integers

The IGES-compatible levels (layers) on which this object resides. GDL does not currently support writing out multiple levels (layers) through the IGES writer; only the first of these will be output if the object is exported with the IGES output-format (please contact Genworks if you need all levels (layers) to be written out).

• GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYLINE-CURVE

Mixins: GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYLINE-CURVES. COMPOSED-CURVE

<u>Description</u> Provides a singular composed curve made from a global-filleted-polyline-curves object

Computed slots:

Curves List of GDL curve objects

These are the curves to be composed into a single curve.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object test-global-filleted-polyline-curves (global-filleted-polyline-curves)
:computed-slots
((default-radius 5)
 (vertex-list (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                     (make-point 10 10 0)
                     (make-point 30 10 0)
                     (make-point 40 0 0)
                     (make-point 30 -10 0)
                     (make-point 10 -10 0)
                     (make-point 0 0 0))))
:hidden-objects
((points :type 'point
         :sequence (:size (length (rest (the vertex-list))))
         :center (nth (the-child index) (rest (the vertex-list))))
 (view :type 'base-view
        :page-width (* 5 72) :page-height (* 5 72)
        :objects (cons self (list-elements (the points))))))
(generate-sample-drawing :objects (the-object (make-object 'test-global-filleted-polyline-curves))
                         :projection-direction (getf *standard-views* :trimetric))
```

Figure 11.114: Example Code for GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYLINE-CURVES

• GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYLINE-CURVES

Mixins: GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYLINE

<u>Description</u> Produces a list of linear-curves and arc-curves which represent the straight sections and fillets of a global-filleted-polyline. Note also global-filleted-polyline-curve, which composes the segments together into a single curve.

Computed slots:

Ordered-curves List of GDL NURBS curve objects

The curve segments in the right order for chaining together.

Hidden objects (sequence):

Fillet-curves GDL Sequence of GDL NURBS curve objects

The arc-curves representing the fillets.

Straight-curves GDL Sequence of GDL NURBS curve objects

The linear-curves representing the straights.

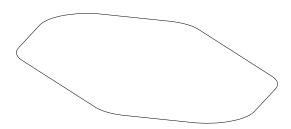


Figure 11.115: GLOBAL-FILLETED-POLYLINE-CURVES example

• IGES-READER

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> This object will reflect the contents of an iges file containing points, curves, surfaces, and/or breps (including trimmed surfaces) as sequences of GDL objects.

The HarmonyWare reader creates a log file in a temporary directory. The location of this log file is printed on the console during the reading operation. Currently this log file is not automatically deleted, and its name is determined by the system.

Input slots (required):

File-name String or pathname

The location of the IGES file to be read.

Input slots (optional):

Group-trimmed-surfaces-into-brep? Boolean

If true, group all trimmed surfaces in the file into one B-rep. If some trimmed surfaces are blanked, they are grouped into a second, blanked B-rep. Default is nil.

Make-all-surfaces-trimmed? Boolean

If true, treat all untrimmed surfaces in the file as if they are trimmed surfaces with the natural outer boundary of the surface as the trimming loop. If used, no standalone IwSurface surface objects will ever be returned by the reader. Default is nil.

Make-single-brep? Boolean

If true, group all trimmed surfaces and B-reps in the file into one B-rep. If some trimmed surfaces or B-reps are blanked, they are grouped into a second, blanked B-rep. Default is nil.

Sew-brep-faces? Boolean

Indicates whether each resulting brep should have its faces sewn together. Default is (the make-single-brep?).

Objects (sequence):

Breps Sequence of GDL brep objects

The breps and trimmed surfaces (represented as breps) found in the IGES file.

Curves Sequence of GDL curve objects

The curves found in the IGES file.

Points Sequence of GDL point objects

The points found in the IGES file.

Surfaces Sequence of GDL surface objects

The untrimmed "standalone" surfaces found in the IGES file.

• INTERSECTED-SOLID

Mixins: BOOLEAN-MERGE

<u>Description</u> Given two brep solids, performs the intersect Boolean between the brep and the other-brep

• ISO-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

<u>Description</u> Represents an exact iso curve on the given surface in given direction at given parameter value.

Input slots (required):

Parameter Number

The u or v will be fixed at this value. This should be between the min and max values for the surface in the given direction. Note that you can check the min and max for a surface with (the u-min), (the u-max), (the v-min), or (the v-max).

Surface GDL object of type surface

The surface on which you want an iso curve.

Input slots (optional):

Figure 11.116: Example Code for ISO-CURVE

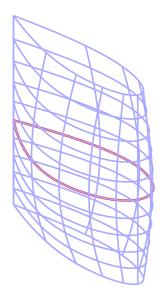


Figure 11.117: ISO-CURVE example

Fixed-parameter Keyword symbol, one of :u or :v

This is the parameter direction which will be fixed to the parameter value given. Default is :u.

U-or-v Keyword symbol, one of :u or :v

This is the direction of the iso-curve. The other parameter will be fixed on the surface at the given parameter value.

Computed slots:

On-surfaces List of GDL surfaces

For iso curve, this will contain the single surface on which the iso curve lies.

Hidden objects:

Uv-curve

• JOINED-SURFACES

Mixins: SURFACE

<u>Description</u> This routine joins two surfaces at a common boundary. The surfaces must already be compatible in the direction of the common boundary (same knots). If the surfaces are not compatible you can use first compatible-surfaces if applicable

Input slots (required):

Other-surface Gdl surface object

The second surface to be joined. Its u-min or v-min lays at the common boundary.

Surface Gdl surface object

The first surface to be joined. Its u-max or v-max lays at the common boundary.

Input slots (optional):

Direction Keyword symbol, one of :u or :v

If :u the common boundary is for first surface u-max and for the second surface u-min. Surfaces must already be compatible in the u-direction. If :v the common boundary is for first surface v-max and for the second surface v-min. Surfaces must already be compatible in the v-direction. Default is :u.

Tolerance Number

This is a tolerance used for Knot removal. The knot corresponding to the merged boundary has multiplicity equal to the degree. Knot removal will be attempted using this tolerance. Default is *3d-tolerance-default*

• LINEAR-CURVE

Mixins: %LINEAR-CURVE%, VANILLA-MIXIN

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object join-surfaces-test (base-object)
  :computed-slots ((surface-list (list (the surf-A) (the surf-B))))
  :objects
 ((surf-A :type 'rectangular-surface
          :display-controls (list :color :green-spring-medium)
          :length 10
          :width 10 )
  (surf-B :type 'rectangular-surface
          :display-controls (list :color :red)
           :center (make-point 10 0 0 )
          :length 10
          :width 10 )
  (join-A-and-B :type 'joined-surfaces
                 :display-controls (list :line-thickness 2)
                 :surface (the surf-A)
                 :other-surface (the surf-B))))
(generate-sample-drawing :object-roots
(list (the-object (make-object 'join-surfaces-test)
  join-A-and-B)))
```

Figure 11.118: Example Code for JOINED-SURFACES

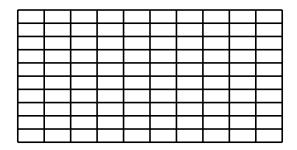


Figure 11.119: JOINED-SURFACES example

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-linear-curve (linear-curve)
    :computed-slots ((start (make-point 0 0 0)) (end (make-point 10 10 0))))
(generate-sample-drawing :objects (make-object 'test-linear-curve))
```

Figure 11.120: Example Code for LINEAR-CURVE



Figure 11.121: LINEAR-CURVE example

<u>Description</u> A GDL NURBS Curve representing a straight line segment. The inputs are the same as for l-line, namely start and end (3d points).

Input slots (optional):

End 3D Point

The end point of the line, in global coordinates.

Start 3D Point

The start point of the line, in global coordinates.

• LOFTED-SURFACE

Mixins: SURFACE

Description Loft of a surface through a list of curves with various controls.

Input slots (required):

Curves List of GDL Curve objects

The curves through which the surface will be lofted.

Input slots (optional):

Rail-1 GDL Curve object

Guide rail corresponding to minimum U parameter of resulting surface. Defaults to nil.

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-lofted-surface (base-object)
 :input-slots
 ((curves (list (the curve-1) (the curve-2) (the curve-3) (the curve-4) )))
 :objects
\hbox{((lofted-surface : type 'lofted-surface')}\\
                  :curves (the curves))
  (curve-1 :type 'b-spline-curve
           :display-controls (list :color :red :line-thickness 3)
           :control-points (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                                  (make-point 1 1 0)
                                  (make-point 0 1 0)
                                  (make-point 0 0 0) ))
 (curve-2 :type 'b-spline-curve
           :display-controls (list :color :red :line-thickness 3)
           :control-points (list (make-point 0 0 1)
                                  (make-point -1 1 1)
                                  (make-point 0 1 1)
                                  (make-point 0 0 1) ))
  (curve-3 :type 'b-spline-curve
           :display-controls (list :color :red :line-thickness 3)
           :control-points (list (make-point 0 0 2)
                                  (make-point -1 -1 2)
                                  (make-point 0 -1 2)
                                  (make-point 0 0 2) ))
 (curve-4 :type 'b-spline-curve
           :display-controls (list :color :red :line-thickness 3)
           :control-points (list (make-point 0 0 3)
                                  (make-point 1 -1 3)
                                  (make-point 0 -1 3)
                                  (make-point 0 0 3) ))))
(generate-sample-drawing :object-roots (make-object 'test-lofted-surface)
                         :projection-direction :trimetric)
```

Figure 11.122: Example Code for LOFTED-SURFACE

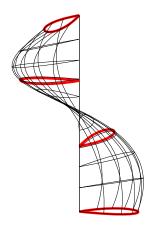


Figure 11.123: LOFTED-SURFACE example

Rail-1-is-spine? Boolean

If specified as non-nil, then the rail-1 will be used as a spine curve similar to what is described on page 462 of the NURBS book. Default is nil.

Rail-1-params List of curve parameters

The parameter value on the rail-1 which should correspond to each respective profile curve. Defaults to the evenly spaced parameters between the u-min and u-max of the rail-1, one for each profile curve.

Rail-2 GDL Curve object

Guide rail corresponding to maximum U parameter of resulting surface. Defaults to nil. If both rail-1 and rail2 are given, then they must be synchronized.

Spine GDL Curve object

Curve to use as spine for calling ascssk.

Synchronized? Boolean

Set this to t if the curves already have synchronized control points. It makes the lofted-surface much lighter-weight in terms of its control mesh. Default is NIL (which means the lofted-surface does not assume synchronized control points on the profile curves).

Tolerance Number

The fitting tolerance to fit to the loft curves. 0 means to interpolate exactly. Default is 0

Use-ascssk? Boolean

If non-nil, we use the low-level nlib ascssk directly. If nil, we use the SMLib make-skinned-surface routine. Default is nil

V-degree Integer

The degree of the surface in the lofting direction. Defaults to 3.

• MANIFOLD-SOLID

Mixins: BREP

Description Attempts to take in a non-manifold brep and yield a manifold version.

Input slots (required):

Brep GDL brep object

The brep to be represented as a manifold brep in this instance.

Input slots (optional):

Keep-internal-faces? Boolean

Indicates whether faces between two non-void regions should be kept. Defaults to nil.

• MERGED-SOLID

Mixins: BOOLEAN-MERGE

<u>Description</u> Given two brep solids or a brep solid and an open face represented as a brep, performs a merge operation. Optionally (with make-manifold? t) makes the result manifold by trimming and throwing away extra pieces of faces and edges.

Input slots (optional):

Make-manifold? Boolean

Indicates whether the resulting brep should be made into a manifold brep, with one or more regions.

Sew-and-orient? Boolean

Indicates whether we should try to sew and orient the resulting brep. Usually a good idea and this is defaulted to t, except for merged-solid where we default this to nil.

• NATIVE-READER

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> This object will reflect the contents of an iwp file containing curves, surfaces, breps, and brep trees as sequences of GDL objects.

Input slots (optional):

File-name String or pathname

The location of the IWP file to be read.

Smlib-string String

Contains output from a call to (with-format (native .) (write-the cad-output)) for an SMLib object (e.g. curve, surface, brep). Defaults to nil. If you specify this as well as a file-name, the file-name will take precedence.

Objects (sequence):

Breps Sequence of GDL brep objects

The breps found in the IGES file.

Curves Sequence of GDL curve objects

The curves found in the IWP file.

Surfaces Sequence of GDL surface objects

The untrimmed "standalone" surfaces found in the IWP file.

• NON-RATIONAL-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

Author Dave Cooper, Genworks International

<u>Description</u> This object accepts a rational curve and approximates it with a non-rational curve.

Input slots (required):

Curve-in GDL Curve object

Presumably this is a Rational curve (else this object will do nothing).

Input slots (optional):

Maintain-end-tangents? Boolean

Determines whether to try to maintain tangents at the ends. Defaults to t.

Non-rational-degree Integer

Determines the degree of the non-rational curve. Defaults to 3.

Parameterization Keyword symbol, one of :uniform, :chord-length, :centripetal, or :inherited

The default is :inherited.

Tolerance Number

The tolerance to use for non-rational approximation of a rational curve-in. Defaults to the curve-in's total length divided by the tolerance-divisor.

Tolerance-divisor Number

The amount by which to divide the total-length of the curve-in to compute the default tolerance. Default is 1000.

• NORMALIZED-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

<u>Description</u> This object creates a new curve from an exiting curve by reasigning the lowest and highest parameter value of the underlying mathematical definition of the curve. This is a precise method, it does not change the curve geometry.

Input slots (optional):

Curve-in GDL NURBS Curve

The curve to be normalized.

Tolerance Number

Approximation tolerance for display purposes. Defaults to the tolerance of the built-from curve, if one exists, otherwise defaults to the *display-tolerance*.

U-max The highest parameter value of the underlying mathematical definition for this parametric curve

U-min The lowest parameter value of the underlying mathematical definition for this parametric curve

• OFFSET-SOLID

Mixins: BREP

Description Offsets the faces of a brep by a certain distance.

Input slots (required):

Brep GDL Brep object

The brep to be offset.

Distance Number

The distance to offset. Can be negative.

Input slots (optional):

Tolerance Number

The tolerance to use for the shelling operation. Defaults to (the adaptive-tolerance) of the input brep.

• OFFSET-SURFACE

Mixins: SURFACE

<u>Description</u> This primitive generates a new surface which is offset from input surface in all normal directions from input surface.

Input slots (required):

Distance Number

The distance to offset. Positive or negative, depending on which direction you want.

Surface-in GDL Surface object

The original surface from which to make the offset.

Input slots (optional):

Approximation-tolerance Number

The tolerance of approximation for the re-fitting of points after the offsetting. Defaults to *3d-approximation-tolerance-default*.

Parameterization Keyword symbol, one of :uniform, :chord-length, :centripetal, or :inherited

The parameterization method used to re-fit the points after offsetting. Defaults to :uniform.

U-degree Integer

The desired u-degree of the resulting surface. Defaults to the u-degree of the input surface-in.

V-degree Integer

The desired v-degree of the resulting surface. Defaults to the v-degree of the input surface-in.

• PLANAR-OFFSET-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

<u>Description</u> Creates a curve which is the result of offsetting a curve by its normals along a plane.

Input slots (required):

Curve-in GDL Curve

The curve to be offset

Distance Number

The left-hand distance to offset with respect to curve direction. To get the opposite direction, you can either negate this number or reverse the plane-normal.

Plane-normal 3D Vector

The normal for the plane

Input slots (optional):

Tolerance Number

The tolerance for approximating the resulting offset curve. Defaults to *3d-approximation-tolerance-default*.

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-planar-offset-curve ()
 :computed-slots
((curve-in (the b-spline-curves (curves 3)))
 (plane-normal (make-vector 0 0 -1))
 (distance 1) )
 :objects
((b-spline-curves :type 'test-b-spline-curves
                   :hidden? t)
 (curve-to-be-offset :type 'curve
                      :built-from (the b-spline-curves (curves 3)))
  (planar-offset-curve :type 'surf:planar-offset-curve
                       :curve-in (the curve-to-be-offset)
                       :plane-normal (make-vector 0 0 -1)
                       :distance 1)))
(generate-sample-drawing :object-roots (list (make-object 'test-planar-offset-curve))
                         :projection-direction (getf *standard-views* :top))
```

Figure 11.124: Example Code for PLANAR-OFFSET-CURVE

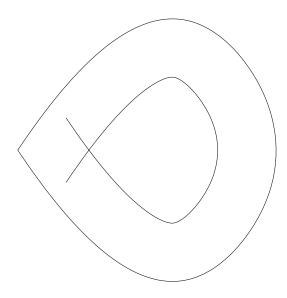


Figure 11.125: PLANAR-OFFSET-CURVE example

Figure 11.126: Example Code for PLANAR-SECTION-CURVE

• PLANAR-SECTION-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

<u>Description</u> Produces a single curve by sectioning a surface with a plane. If multiple results are expected, use planar-section-curves instead.

Input slots (required):

Surface GDL Surface, face, or trimmed surface

The surface to be sectioned with a plane.

Input slots (optional):

3d-approximation-tolerance Number

Tolerance used when approximating in e.g. Newton-Raphson iterations. Default is *3d-approximation-tolerance-default*.

Angle-tolerance-radians Number

Angular tolerance (in radians) used when approximating in e.g. Newton-Raphson iterations. Default is *angle-tolerance-radians-default*.

Plane-normal Vector

The normal of the sectioning plane. Defaults to the top vector of the local reference box.

Plane-point 3D Point

A point on the sectioning plane. Defaults to the center.

Computed slots:

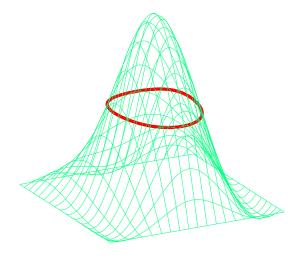


Figure 11.127: PLANAR-SECTION-CURVE example

On-surfaces List of GDL surfaces

The surfaces on which this curve lies.

Success? Boolean

This will be non-nil if the curve was generated successfully.

Gdl functions:

Uv-curve GDL Curve object

The UV curve for this curve in the context of the surface.

• PLANAR-SECTION-CURVES

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> Produces multiple curves by sectioning a surface or a brep with a plane. If a single result is expected, use planar-section-curve instead.

Input slots (optional):

3d-approximation-tolerance Number

Tolerance used when approximating in e.g. Newton-Raphson iterations. Default is *3d-approximation-tolerance-default*.

Angle-tolerance-radians Number

Angular tolerance (in radians) used when approximating in e.g. Newton-Raphson iterations. Default is *angle-tolerance-radians-default*.

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-planar-section-curves (base-object)
:computed-slots
((points-data '(((0 0 0)(0 1 0)(1 1 0)(1 0 0))
                 ((0 0 1) (0 1 1) (1 1 1) (1 0 1) )
                 ((0 0 2) (0 1 2) (1 1 2) (1 0 2) )
                 ((0 0 3) (0 1 3) (1 1 3) (1 0 3) )))
 (control-points (mapcar #'(lambda(list) (mapcar #'apply-make-point list))
                          (the points-data))))
 :objects
((planar-section-curve :type 'planar-section-curves
                        :surface (the test-surf)
                        :plane-normal (the (face-normal-vector :front))
                        :plane-point (make-point 0 0.5 0)
                        :display-controls (list :color :red :line-thickness 4))
 (test-surf :type 'b-spline-surface
              :control-points (the control-points)) ))
(generate-sample-drawing :object-roots
                         (list (make-object 'test-planar-section-curves))
                          :projection-direction
                          (getf *standard-views* :trimetric))
```

Figure 11.128: Example Code for PLANAR-SECTION-CURVES

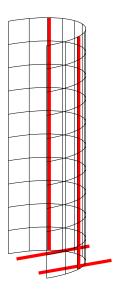


Figure 11.129: PLANAR-SECTION-CURVES example

Brep GDL Brep object

The brep to be sectioned with a plane. Specify this or surface, not both.

Plane-normal Vector

The normal of the sectioning plane. Defaults to the top vector of the local reference box.

Plane-point 3D Point

A point on the sectioning plane. Defaults to the center.

Surface GDL Surface object

The surface to be sectioned with a plane. Specify this or brep, not both.

Computed slots:

3d-approximation-tolerance-achieved Number

The actual tolerance achieved by the operation.

Angle-tolerance-radians-achieved Number

The actual angle tolerance achieved by the operation.

Objects (sequence):

Curves Sequence of GDL Curve Objects

The curves resulting from sectioning.

Uv-curves Sequence of GDL uv curve objects

The UV curves for each returned curve. This is also passed into each curve object and available from there.

Figure 11.130: Example Code for PLANAR-SURFACE

• PLANAR-SURFACE

Mixins: SURFACE

Description Creates a flat quadrilateral surface specified by its four corner points.

Input slots (required):

P00 3D point

Front-left corner of the planar surface.

P01 3D point

Front-right corner of the planar surface.

P10 3D point

Rear-left corner of the planar surface.

P11 3D point

Rear-right corner of the planar surface.

• POLY-BREP

Mixins: GEOMETRY-KERNEL-OBJECT-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

Description A polygonal representation for a boundary representation geometric entity.

Computed slots:

Mesh-data Plist

Contains mesh data from the poly brep.

• PROJECTED-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

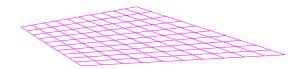


Figure 11.131: PLANAR-SURFACE example

<u>Description</u> Creates a 3D curve which is the curve-in projected onto the surface. according to the projection-vector. The resulting curve contains a uv-curve which is typically useful for trimming.

NOTE: Change from 1577p027 and forward – the projected curve now is a 3D curve which can be drawn. It contains its uv representation on the surface. Previously, the uv-curve was the actual projected-curve.

Input slots (required):

Curve-in GDL NURBS Curve

The curve to be projected to the surface.

Projection-vector 3D Vector

The direction of projection.

Surface GDL NURBS Surface

The surface on which the curve-in is to be projected.

Input slots (optional):

Angle-tolerance-radians Number or nil

The angle tolerance used when projecting and creating new curves. Defaults to nil, which uses the default of the geometry kernel.

Approximation-tolerance Number or nil

The tolerance used when projecting and creating new curves. Defaults to nil, which uses the default of the geometry kernel.

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-trimmed-from-projected-2 (trimmed-surface)
:computed-slots
((uv-inputs t)
 (island (the island-3d uv-curve))
 (holes (list (the hole uv-curve)))
 (display-controls (list :color :blue :line-thickness 2)))
:objects
((basis-surface :type 'test-fitted-surface
                 :display-controls (list :color :pink)
                 :grid-length 10 :grid-width 10 :grid-height 5
 (raised-hole :type 'b-spline-curve
               :display-controls (list :color :grey-light-very)
               :control-points (list (make-point 3.5 4.5 7)
                                     (make-point 4.5 6 7)
                                     (make-point 5.5 7 7)
                                      (make-point 6 4.5 7)
                                      (make-point 5.5 2 7)
                                      (make-point 4.5 2 7)
                                      (make-point 3.5 4.5 7)))
 (raised-island :type 'b-spline-curve
                 :display-controls (list :color :grey-light-very)
                 :control-points (list (make-point 3 5 7)
                                       (make-point 5 8 7)
                                       (make-point 7 10 7)
                                        (make-point 8 5 7)
                                       (make-point 7 0 7)
                                       (make-point 5 0 7)
                                       (make-point 3 5 7))))
:hidden-objects
((island-3d :type 'projected-curve
            :curve-in (the raised-island)
             :surface (the basis-surface)
             :projection-vector (make-vector 0 0 -1))
 (hole :type 'projected-curve
       :curve-in (the raised-hole)
       :surface (the basis-surface)
       :projection-vector (make-vector 0 0 -1))))
(generate-sample-drawing
:objects (let ((self (make-object 'test-trimmed-from-projected-2)))
            (list (the basis-surface) self (the raised-island)
                  (the raised-hole)))
:projection-direction :trimetric)
```

Figure 11.132: Example Code for PROJECTED-CURVE

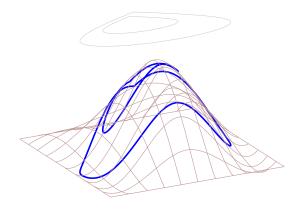


Figure 11.133: PROJECTED-CURVE example

Computed slots:

Built-from GDL Curve

Specify this if you want this curve to be a clone of an existing curve. (note - this uses a shared underlying curve object, it does not make a copy)

Hidden objects:

Uv-curve GDL UV curve object

The resultant projected-curve in the UV space of the surface.

• RECTANGULAR-SURFACE

Mixins: PLANAR-SURFACE

<u>Description</u> Creates a flat rectangular surface specified by the same inputs as box or base-object.

Input slots (required):

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Figure 11.134: Example Code for RECTANGULAR-SURFACE

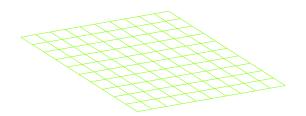


Figure 11.135: RECTANGULAR-SURFACE example

Input slots (optional, defaulting):

Center 3D Point

Indicates in global coordinates where the center of the reference box of this object should be located.

Computed slots:

P00 3D point

Front-left corner of the planar surface.

P01 3D point

Front-right corner of the planar surface.

P10 3D point

Rear-left corner of the planar surface.

P11 3D point

Rear-right corner of the planar surface.

• REGIONED-SOLID

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> Given a brep solid that contains multiple regions, splits the regions into separate breps

Input slots (required):

Brep GDL Brep object or object containing a brep

The multi-region brep to be split.

Input slots (optional):

Section-colors List of Color Keywords

These indicate the colors for any child breps if the regioning operation results in multiple solids. Defaults to a repeating (circular) list with keys:

- :green
- :red
- :blue
- :purple-dark
- :violet
- :cyan.

• REVOLVED-SURFACE

Mixins: BREP, SURFACE

Figure 11.136: Example Code for REVOLVED-SURFACE

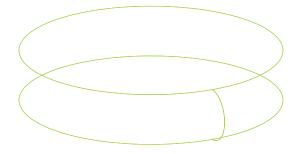


Figure 11.137: REVOLVED-SURFACE example

<u>Description</u> Creates a surface of revolution based on an arbitrary NURBS curve revolved by some angle about a central axis and axis point.

Input slots (required):

Curve GDL Curve object

The profile to be revolved.

Input slots (optional):

Arc Angle in radians

The amount to revolve. Default is twice pi (a full circle of revolution).

Axis-point 3D Point

The center of revolution. Default value is the center.

Axis-vector 3D Vector

The direction of axis of revolution. Default is the top of the reference box.

Input slots (optional, defaulting):

Center 3D Point

Indicates in global coordinates where the center of the reference box of this object should be located.

• REVOLVED-SURFACES

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> Creates a set of surfaces of revolution based on a list of arbitrary NURBS curves revolved by some angle about a central axis and axis point.

Input slots (required):

Curves List of GDL Curve objects

The profiles to be revolved.

Input slots (optional):

Arc Angle in radians

The amount to revolve. Default is twice pi (a full circle of revolution).

Axis-point 3D Point

The center of revolution. Default value is the center.

Axis-vector 3D Vector

The direction of axis of revolution. Default is the top of the reference box.

Objects (sequence):

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object test-revolved-surfaces (revolved-surfaces)
  :computed-slots ((curves (list (the curve-1) (the curve-2))))
  :hidden-objects
 ((curve-1 :type 'arc-curve
            :center (translate (the center) :right 50)
            :orientation (alignment :top (the (face-normal-vector :rear)))
            :start-angle 0
            :end-angle (/ pi 4)
            :radius 10)
  (curve-2 :type 'arc-curve
            :center (translate (the center) :right 50)
            :orientation (alignment :top (the (face-normal-vector :rear)))
            :start-angle pi
            :end-angle (* 5/4 pi)
            :radius 10)
  (view :type 'base-view
         :projection-vector (getf *standard-views* :trimetric)
         :page-width (* 5 72) :page-length (* 5 72)
         :object-roots (list self))))
(generate-sample-drawing
:objects (list-elements (the-object (make-object 'test-revolved-surfaces)
                                     surfaces))
:projection-direction :trimetric)
```

Figure 11.138: Example Code for REVOLVED-SURFACES



Figure 11.139: REVOLVED-SURFACES example

Surfaces Sequence of GDL Surfaces

The resultant revolved surfaces.

• RULED-SURFACE

Mixins: SURFACE

Description Creates a surface between two NURBS curves.:

Input slots (required):

Curve-1 GDL Curve object

First boundary of the ruled surface.

Curve-2 GDL Curve object

Second boundary of the ruled surface.

Input slots (optional):

Direction Keyword symbol, either :u or :v

The direction of parameterization of the surface between the two curves.

• SEPARATED-SOLID

Mixins: BOOLEAN-MERGE

<u>Description</u> Given two brep solids or a brep solid and an open face represented as a brep, performs a split operation

Figure 11.140: Example Code for RULED-SURFACE

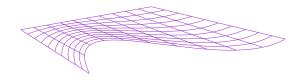


Figure 11.141: RULED-SURFACE example

Input slots (optional):

Cap-results? Boolean

Indicates whether the resulting split pieces should be made into watertight solids (ends capped, etc).

Section-colors List of Color Keywords

These indicate the colors for any child breps if the boolean operation results in a separated solid. If the number of breps exceeds the length of this list, the colors will be repeated in order. Defaults to a list with keys:

- :green
- -:red
- :blue
- :purple-dark
- :violet
- :cyan.

Objects (sequence):

Breps Sequence of GDL brep objects

The resulting breps yielded from the separate operation. These are colored using section-colors.

• SHELLED-SOLID

Mixins: BREP

Description Offsets the faces of a brep by a certain thickness.

Input slots (required):

Brep GDL Brep object

Should be an open shell. The brep to be shelled into a solid.

Distance Number

The distance to offset. Can be negative.

Input slots (optional):

Tolerance Number

The tolerance to use for the shelling operation. Defaults to (the adaptive-tolerance) of the input brep.

• SPHERICAL-SURFACE

Mixins: SURFACE, SPHERE

Figure 11.142: Example Code for SPHERICAL-SURFACE

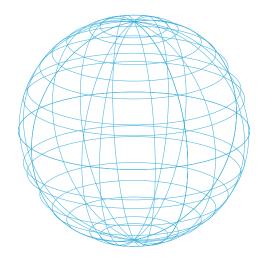


Figure 11.143: SPHERICAL-SURFACE example

<u>Description</u> A surface representation of the sphere. Takes the same inputs as native GDL sphere. Partial spheres are not yet implmented. Note that some VRML browsers, e.g. Cortona v. 4.2, show some spurious artifacts with NURBS created as spherical surfaces. BS Contact does not appear to have this problem.

Input slots (optional, defaulting):

Center 3D Point

Indicates in global coordinates where the center of the reference box of this object should be located.

• SPIRAL-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

<u>Author</u> Dave Cooper, Genworks International

<u>Description</u> This object approximates a spiral around the Z axis using a cubic NURBS (b-spline-curve).

Input slots (required):

Height Number

The height of the spiral.

Number-of-turns Number

The number of turns (1 = 360 degrees) in the spiral.

Radius-1 Number

Initial radius at Z=0.

Radius-2 Number

Final radius at z=height.

Input slots (optional):

Right-or-left Keyword Symbol, :right or :left

Defaults to :right.

Tolerance Number

The tolerance to use for non-rational approximation of a rational curve-in. Defaults to the height divided by the tolerance-divisor.

Tolerance-divisor Number

The amount by which to divide the height of the curve-in to compute the default tolerance. Default is 1000.

• SPLIT-SURFACE

Mixins: SURFACE

<u>Description</u> Given a NURBS and a parameter in U or V direction, split the surface at the parameter and return one section or the other as the toplevel self of this instance. Note that both resulting sections are also reflected in (the surfaces) sequence which is a hidden child in this object.

As an alternative to a parameter, a projection-point and projection-vector can also be given, and the U or V parameter at the resulting surface point will be used as the parameter.

Input slots (optional):

Keep-side Keyword symbol, one of :left or :right

Determines which half of the split surface to reflect in this instance. Both halves will be reflected in (the surfaces) hidden-object sequence which is a child of this instance.

Figure 11.144: Example Code for SPLIT-SURFACE

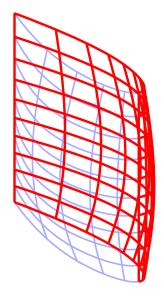


Figure 11.145: SPLIT-SURFACE example

Parameter Number

The parameter in U or V direction at which to do the split. This must lie in the domain between (the u-min) [or (the v-min)] and (the u-max) [or (the v-max)] of the surface-in. If it is outside this domain, a warning will be thrown and the value will be pinned to the nearest value within the domain. If this input is not specified and you specify a projection-point and projection-vector, then this projected point will be used to establish the parameter for splitting.

Projection-point 3D Point or nil

If given and parameter is not given, this point will be projected onto the surface using (the projection-vector) to establish the split parameter. Defaults to nil.

Projection-vector 3D Vector or nil

If given and parameter is not given, this will be used to project (the projection-point) onto the surface to establish the split parameter. Defaults to nil.

Surface-in GDL Surface object

The surface to be split.

U-or-v Keyword symbol, one of :u or :v

Determines the direction of the split.

Computed slots:

Projected-point Surface point

Returns the first result of the given point projected along the given vector intersected with the surface.

Projected-points List of Surface points

Returns the given point projected along the given vector intersected with the surface.

• STEP-READER

Mixins: BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> This object will reflect the contents of a STEP file containing points, curves, surfaces, and/or trimmed surfaces as sequences of GDL objects. Currently all surfaces are treated as trimmed, where actual untrimmed surfaces have their natural outer boundaries as the result-island, i.e. no standalone surfaces will be produced by this part. This is a default option in the HarmonyWare STEP Translator which will be exposed in GDL in a future release.

The HarmonyWare reader creates a log file in a temporary directory. The location of this log file is printed on the console during the reading operation. Currently this log file is not automatically deleted, and its name is determined by the system.

Input slots (required):

File-name String or pathname

The location of the STEP file to be read.

Input slots (optional):

Group-trimmed-surfaces-into-brep? Boolean

If true, group all trimmed surfaces in the file into one B-rep. If some trimmed surfaces are blanked, they are grouped into a second, blanked B-rep. Default is nil.

Make-all-surfaces-trimmed? Boolean

If true, treat all untrimmed surfaces in the file as if they are trimmed surfaces with the natural outer boundary of the surface as the trimming loop. If used, no standalone IwSurface surface objects will ever be returned by the reader. Default is nil.

Make-single-brep? Boolean

If true, group all trimmed surfaces and B-reps in the file into one B-rep. If some trimmed surfaces or B-reps are blanked, they are grouped into a second, blanked B-rep. Default is nil.

Sew-brep-faces? Boolean

Indicates whether each resulting brep should have its faces sewn together. Default is (the make-single-brep?).

Objects (sequence):

Breps Sequence of GDL brep objects

The breps and trimmed surfaces (represented as breps) found in the STEP file.

Curves Sequence of GDL curve objects

The curves found in the STEP file.

Points Sequence of GDL point objects

The points found in the STEP file.

Surfaces Sequence of GDL surface objects

The untrimmed "standalone" surfaces found in the STEP file.

• STITCHED-SOLID

Mixins: BREP

<u>Description</u> Attempts to stitch together a list of surfaces into an open shell or possibly a manifold solid. This primitive is not widely tested and may be deprecated. Consider use of merged-solid instead. Please let Genworks know if you are using this so we can consider documenting/testing it better.

Input slots (required):

Faces-in List of GDL Surface or Face objects

These will be stitched together into an open shell or possibly a Solid

• SUBTRACTED-SOLID

Mixins: BOOLEAN-MERGE

<u>Description</u> Given two brep solids, performs the subtract Boolean of the other-brep from the brep

• SURFACE

<u>Mixins:</u> GEOMETRY-KERNEL-OBJECT-MIXIN, OUTLINE-SPECIALIZATION-MIXIN, BASE-OBJECT

<u>Description</u> A generalized NURBS surface. Usually used as a mixin in more specific surfaces.

Input slots (optional):

Brep-tolerance Number

Overall tolerance for the internal brep representation of this surface. Defaults to nil. Note that a value of nil indicates for SMLib a value of 1.0e-05 of the longest diagonal length of the brep.

Built-from GDL Surface

Specify this if you want this surface to be a clone of an existing surface (note - this uses a shared underlying surface object, it does not make a copy)

End-caps-on-brep? Boolean

Indicates whether to attempt automatic endcaps on conversion of this surface to a brep. Note that this might change in future to a keyword value for :min, :max, or :both to provide more control.

Rational? Boolean

Returns non-nil iff this surface is rational, i.e. all weights are not 1.

Sew-and-orient-brep? Boolean

Indicates whether brep representation should undergo a sew-and-orient operation. Defaults to nil.

Tessellation-parameters Plist of keyword symbols and numbers

This controls tessellation for the brep of this surface. The keys are as follows:

- :min-number-of-segments
- :max-3d-edge-factor
- :min-parametric-ratio
- :max-chord-height
- :max-angle-degrees
- :min-3d-edge
- :min-edge-ratio-uv
- :max-aspect-ratio

and the defaults come from the following parameters:

(list

```
:min-number-of-segments *tess-min-number-of-segments*
:max-3d-edge-factor *tess-max-3d-edge-factor*
:min-parametric-ratio *tess-min-parametric-ratio*
:max-chord-height *tess-max-chord-height*
:max-angle-degrees *tess-max-angle-degrees*
:min-3d-edge *tess-min-3d-edge*
:min-edge-ratio-uv *tess-min-edge-ratio-uv*
:max-aspect-ratio *tess-max-aspect-ratio*)
```

Tolerance Number

Approximation tolerance for display purposes.

Input slots (optional, defaulting):

Isos Plist with keys :n-u and :n-v

The number of isoparametric curves to be displayed in each direction. This value comes from the value of :isos on the display-controls if that exists, and defaults to *isos-default* otherwise.

Computed slots:

Bounding-box List of two 3D points

The left front bottom and right rear top corners, in global coordinates, of the rectangular volume bounding the tree of geometric objects rooted at this object.

Height Number

Z-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Length Number

Y-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Width Number

X-axis dimension of the reference box. Defaults to zero.

Hidden objects:

Brep GDL Brep object

This is the brep representation of this surface.

Swapped-uv-surface GDL surface object

This surface object swaps the role of u and v- directional parameters, i.e. old-surface(u,v) = new-surface(v,u).

Hidden objects (sequence):

U-iso-curves Sequence of curve objects

The isoparametric curves in the U direction.

V-iso-curves Sequence of curve objects

The isoparametric curves in the V direction.

Gdl functions:

Area Number

Returns the area of the surface.

B-spline-data List of lists 3D points, List of lists numbers, List of numbers, List of numbers, Integer, and Integer. Returns six values which are the control points, the weights, the u-knots, the v-knots, the u-degree, and the v-degree of the surface.

Domain Plist

Returns plist containing: min and: max indicating min and max UV points for parameter space for this surface.

Local-bounding-box Returns a bbox object, answering xmin, ymin, zmin, xmax, ymax, and zmax, for a box containing the convex hull (i.e. the control points) of this surface and oriented according to the given center and orientation.

Minimum-distance-to-curve Plist

The returned plist contains information about the minimum distance from this surface to the curve given as the argument.

Minimum-distance-to-surface Plist

The returned plist contains information about the minimum distance from this surface to the surface given as the argument.

Normal 3D Vector

The surface normal vector at the given u and v values. Three other values are also returned: The 3D point, the U tangent, and the V tangent at the given parameter value.

Offset-point 3D Point

Returns the surface point at the given parameters offset along the surface normal at that point by the given distance.

On? Boolean

Returns non-nil if the given UV (2D) point lies within the parameter space of this surface. Currently this function works only on the basis surface; it does not observe trimming island or holes.

Point 3D Point

The point on the surface corresponding to the given u and v parameter values.

Projected-point Surface point

Returns the first result of the given point projected along the given vector intersected with the surface.

Projected-points List of Surface points

Returns the given point projected along the given vector intersected with the surface.

Radius-of-curvature Number

Returns the Gaussian curvature on the surface at the given parameter values. Three additional values are returned, which are the Normal Curvature at the point, the first Fundamental Principle Curvature, and the second Fundamental Principle Curvature.

U-max Number

Returns maximum U component of the surface parameter space.

U-min Number

Returns minimum U component of the surface parameter space.

V-max Number

Returns maximum V component of the surface parameter space.

V-min Number

Returns minimum V component of the surface parameter space.

• SURFACE-KNOT-REDUCTION

Mixins: SURFACE

Description This routine removes all removable knots from a GDL surface.

Input slots (optional):

Direction Keyword symbol, one of :u, :v or :uv

Default is :uv.

Surface Gdl surface object

Tolerance Number

.

• SWEPT-SOLID

Mixins: BREP

<u>Description</u> This primitive will take a brep as input, and sweep all its faces in the given direction by the given distance, to produce another brep.

Input slots (required):

Distance Number

The distance over which the sweep is desired.

Facial-brep GDL Brep object

The original brep, which can contain one or more faces, planar and/or non-planar.

Vector GDL Vector

The direction in which the sweep is desired.

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object surface-knot-reduction-test (base-object)
 :input-slots
((control-points (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                        (make-point 2 3.0 0.0)
                        (make-point 4 2.0 0.0)
                        (make-point 5 0.0 0.0)
                        (make-point 4 -2.0 0.0)
                        (make-point 2 -3.0 0.0)
                        (make-point 0 0 0))))
:objects
((curve-1 :type 'b-spline-curve
           :display-controls (list :line-thickness 2
                                   :color :green-spring-medium)
           :control-points (the control-points))
  (curve-2 :type 'boxed-curve
           :display-controls (list :line-thickness 2 :color :blue)
           :curve-in (the curve-1)
           :center (make-point 0 0 8))
  (curve-3 :type 'transformed-curve
           :display-controls (list :line-thickness 2 :color :green)
           :curve-in (the curve-1)
                       :to-location (translate
                                     (the center)
                                      :up 3)
                       :center (the center)
                       :scale-x 1.3
                       :scale-y 1.3)
  (curve-4 :type 'transformed-curve
           :display-controls (list :line-thickness 2 :color :red)
           :curve-in (the curve-1)
                       :to-location (translate
                                      (the center)
                                      :up 7)
                       :center (the center)
                       :scale-x 2.2
                       :scale-y 2.2)
  (lofted-surface-test-simple :type 'lofted-surface
                              :display-controls (list :color :red-violet
                                                       :isos (list :n-v 19
                                                                   :n-u 19))
                              :tolerance 0.01
                              :curves (list (the curve-1) (the curve-3)
                                            (the curve-4) (the curve-2)))
 (S-knot-reduction :type 'surface-knot-reduction
                   :surface (the lofted-surface-test-simple))))
```

```
(in-package :gdl-user)
(define-object swept-solid-example (swept-solid)
  :computed-slots
  ((facial-brep (the trimmed brep))
  (vector (make-vector 0 0 1))
  (distance 10)
  (display-controls (list :isos (list :n-u 8 :n-v 8) :color :blue :transparency 0.3)))
  :hidden-objects
  ((rectangle :type 'rectangular-surface
              :width 20 :length 20)
  (trim-curve :type 'global-filleted-polyline-curve
               :vertex-list (list (translate (the center) :right 8 :rear 8)
                                  (translate (the center) :left 8 :rear 8)
                                  (translate (the center) :left 8 :front 8)
                                  (translate (the center) :right 8 :front 8)
                                  (translate (the center) :right 8 :rear 8))
               :default-radius 3)
  (trimmed :type 'trimmed-surface
            :basis-surface (the rectangle)
            :reverse-island? t
            :island (the trim-curve))))
(generate-sample-drawing :objects (make-object 'swept-solid-example)
                         :projection-direction (getf *standard-views* :trimetric))
```

Figure 11.147: Example Code for SWEPT-SOLID

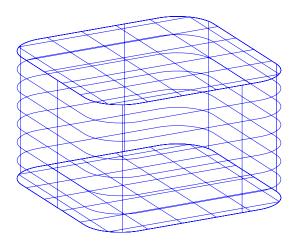


Figure 11.148: SWEPT-SOLID example

• TRANSFORMED-SOLID

Mixins: BREP

<u>Description</u> This primitive Translates, Orients, and optionally Scales a brep solid into another brep solid.

Input slots (required):

Brep GDL Brep Object

Source Brep to be copied and transformed.

Input slots (optional):

From-location 3D Point

Reference location from which to translate. Defaults to the from-object center.

From-object GDL Object

Reference Object for from-location and from-orientation. Defaults to the given brep.

From-orientation 3x3 Orientation Matrix or nil

Defaults to the from-object's orientation.

Scale 3D Vector or nil

Scale to be applied before transform in each axis, or nil if no scale to be applied.

Sew-and-orient? Boolean

Controls whether to do the shrink cleanup step after the tranform. Defaults to nil.

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-trimmed-curve ()
  :objects
  ((b-spline-curve :type 'b-spline-curve
                    :control-points (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                                           (make-point 2 3.0 0.0)
                                           (make-point 4 2.0 0.0)
                                           (make-point 5 0.0 0.0)
                                           (make-point 4 -2.0 0.0)
                                           (make-point 2 -3.0 0.0)
                                           (make-point 0 0 0)))
  (trimmed-curve :type 'trimmed-curve
                  :built-from (the b-spline-curve)
                  :u1 0.2
                  :u2 0.8
                  :display-controls (list :color :red :line-thickness 1.5))))
(generate-sample-drawing :object-roots (make-object 'test-trimmed-curve))
```

Figure 11.149: Example Code for TRIMMED-CURVE

Shrink? Boolean

Controls whether to do the shrink cleanup step after the transform. Defaults to nil.

To-location 3D Point

Reference location to which to translate. Defaults to the from-object center.

To-orientation 3x3 Orientation Matrix or nil

Target orientation relative to the from-orientation. Defaults to nil.

• TRIMMED-CURVE

Mixins: CURVE

<u>Description</u> Creates a curve based on an existing curve but possibly with new start and end parameters (u1 and u2).

Input slots (required):

Built-from GDL Curve Object

The underlying curve from which to build this curve.

Input slots (optional):

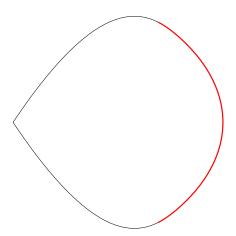


Figure 11.150: TRIMMED-CURVE example

U1 Number

Specified start parameter. Defaults to the u1 of the built-from.

U2 Number

Specified end parameter. Defaults to the u2 of the built-from.

Computed slots:

Basis GDL Curve

The original untrimmed curve, same as the built-from.

• TRIMMED-SURFACE

Mixins: FACE

<u>Description</u> Creates a surface which is trimmed by outer trimming loop curves (the "island"), and one or more hole curves within the outer trimming loop. The curves can be input either as u-v curves or 3D curves. If 3D curves are given, they must lie on the surface. If not, please use dropped-curve or projected-curve to ensure that the curves lie on the surface.

Note that this object mixes in face, which mixes in surface. So this object should answer all the messages of both face and surface. However, the local surface messages will operate on the basis, not on the trimmed representation. The messages for face will operate on the trimmed representation.

NOTE: the interface for this object is still under development so please stay apprised of any changes.

```
(in-package :surf)
(define-object test-trimmed-surface-3 (trimmed-surface)
  :computed-slots
  ((reverse-holes? t)
  (island (the island-container ordered-curves))
  (holes (list (the hole ordered-curves)))
  (display-controls (list :color :periwinkle :line-thickness 2)))
  :hidden-objects
  ((basis-surface :type 'test-planar-surface
                  :display-controls (list :color :grey-light-very))
  (island-container :type 'global-filleted-polyline-curves
                     :default-radius .05
                     :vertex-list (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                                        (make-point 0.3 0.6 0)
                                         (make-point 0 1 0)
                                         (make-point 1 1 0)
                                         (make-point 1 0 0)
                                         (make-point 0 0 0)))
  (island-2 :type 'b-spline-curve
             :control-points (list (make-point 0 0 0)
                                   (make-point 0 1 0)
                                   (make-point 1 1 0)
                                   (make-point 1 0 0)
                                   (make-point 0 0 0)))
  (hole :type 'global-filleted-polyline-curves
         :default-radius .05
         :vertex-list (list (make-point 0.5 0.5 0)
                            (make-point 0.75 0.5 0)
                            (make-point 0.75 0.75 0)
                            (make-point 0.5 0.75 0)
                            (make-point 0.5 0.5 0)))))
(generate-sample-drawing :objects (make-object 'test-trimmed-surface-3)
                         :projection-direction :trimetric)
```

Figure 11.151: Example Code for TRIMMED-SURFACE

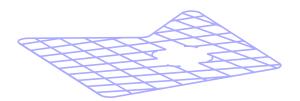


Figure 11.152: TRIMMED-SURFACE example

Input slots (optional):

Basis-surface GDL NURBS Surface

The underlying surface to be trimmed.

Holes List of GDL NURBS Curves or list of lists of GDL NURBS Curves

These curves make up zero or more holes within the outer trimming loop. Normally should be in clockwise orientation; if not, please specify reverse-holes? as non-NIL.

Island Single GDL NURBS Curve or list of same

These curves make up the outer trimming loop. Normally should be in counter-clockwise orientation; if not, please specify reverse-island? as non-NIL.

Reverse-holes? Boolean

Specify this as non-NIL if the holes are given in counter-clockwise orientation. Default is NIL.

Reverse-island? Boolean

Specify this as non-NIL if the island is given in clockwise orientation. Default is NIL.

Uv-inputs Boolean

NIL if feeding in 3D curves, non-NIL if feeding in UV curves.

Computed slots:

Result-holes List of GDL 3D NURBS Curves or list of lists of GDL 3D NURBS Curves

These make up the inner holes of the resultant trimmed surface. If you specified holes as an input-slot, normally these should be the same or very similar. If the trimmed

surface was read in from an outside system through a translator such as IGES, the result-holes might return a non-NIL value while the island will always return NIL.

Result-island Single GDL 3D NURBS Curve or list of GDL 3D NURBS Curves

These make up the outer trimming loop of the resultant trimmed surface. If you specified island as an input-slot, normally these should be the same or very similar. If the trimmed surface was read in from an outside system through a translator such as IGES, the result-island should return a non-NIL value while the island will return NIL.

Hidden objects:

Brep GDL Brep Object

The Brep containing the face corresponding to this trimmed surface.

• UNITED-SOLID

Mixins: BOOLEAN-MERGE

<u>Description</u> Given two brep solids, performs the union Boolean between the brep and the other-brep

• UV-ISO-CURVE

Mixins: VANILLA-MIXIN

Description Convenience object to return UV parameter values on surface.

Gdl functions:

Point 2D point

The UV surface representation at the given parameter value.

11.11.2 Function and Macro Definitions

- GET-POINT-ON-CURVE
- GET-POINT-ON-OTHER-CURVE
- GET-POINT-ON-SURFACE
- WITH-PINNED-VALUES [Macro]

11.11.3 Variables and Constants

- *3D-APPROXIMATION-TOLERANCE-DEFAULT*
- *3D-TOLERANCE-DEFAULT*
- *ANGLE-TOLERANCE-RADIANS-DEFAULT*
- *APPROXIMATION-TOLERANCE-FACTOR*

- *BOOLEAN-ALLOW-MULTIPLE-REGIONS?*
- *BOOLEAN-ERROR-ON-INVALID-BREP?*
- *BOOLEAN-OPERATION-TOLERANCE-DEFAULT*
- *BREP-ISOS-DEFAULT*
- *BREP-TOLERANCE-DEFAULT*
- *CHAIN-BEZIERS-FOR-DISPLAY?*
- *CREASE-ANGLE-DEFAULT*
- *DISPLAY-TOLERANCE*
- *FINALIZE-LOFTED-SURFACES?*
- *INCLUDE-VRML-NORMALS?*
- *ISOS-DEFAULT*
- *OUTPUT-UNITS-DEFAULT*
- *SEPARATE-BREP-FACES-FOR-VRML?*
- *TESS-MAX-3D-EDGE-FACTOR*
- *TESS-MAX-ANGLE-DEGREES*
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- *TESS-MIN-NUMBER-OF-SEGMENTS*
- *TESS-MIN-PARAMETRIC-RATIO*
- 11.12 TASTY (Web-based Development Environment (tasty))
- 11.13 TREE (Tree component used by Tasty and potentially as a UI component on its own)
- 11.13.1 Object Definitions
 - NEWERTREE

Mixins: SHEET-SECTION

<u>Description</u> Implements an interactive graphical tree from a nested list using HTML list element and CSS.

Input slots (optional):

Onclick-function Function of one argument

This function takes a node in the tree as an argument, and should return a plist with keys :function and :arguments, which is a function in the bashee which will be called with the given arguments when the given node in the tree is clicked.

Respondent GDL Object

Object to respond to the form submission. Defaults to self.

Computed slots:

Inner-html String

This can be used with (str.) [in cl-who] or (:princ.) [in htmlGen] to output this section of the page, without the wrapping :div tag [so if you use this, your code would be responsible for wrapping the :div tag with :id (the dom-id).]

Safe-children List of GDL Instances

All objects from the :objects specification, including elements of sequences as flat lists. Any children which throw errors come back as a plist with error information

• TREE

Mixins: SHEET-SECTION, TREE-NODE-MIXIN

Description Implements an interactive grapical tree using HTML table elements.

Input slots (optional):

Button-color

Onclick-function Function of one argument

This function takes a node in the tree as an argument, and should return a plist with keys :function and :arguments, which is a function in the bashee which will be called with the given arguments when the given node in the tree is clicked.

Respondent GDL Object

Object to respond to the form submission. Defaults to self.

Tree-color String

11.14 YADD (Yet Another Definition Documenter (yadd))

11.14.1 Object Definitions

• ASSEMBLY

Mixins: BASE-YADD-SHEET

<u>Author</u> Dave Cooper (Genworks)

<u>Description</u> "Yet Another Definition Documenter." Generates documentation for all the relevant packages in the current Lisp session. Presents a standard :write-html-sheet method which can also be crawled with a call to

```
(gwl:crawl "yadd:assembly")
```

The packages to be documented, and whether the green/red supported messages flags show up, can be controlled with optional-inputs.

Input slots (optional):

External-only? Boolean

This defaults to nil, if it is set to t, only exported symbols will be considered for documentation.

Packages-to-ignore List of keyword symbols

These packages will be ignored. This list defaults to standard internal and test packages

Computed slots:

Title String

The title of the web page. Defaults to "Genworks GDL -" .followed by the strings-for-display.

Objects:

Master-index index

Master index of all symbols (objects, functions, parameters, variables, constants)

Objects (sequence):

Package-dokumentation package-dokumentation

Quantified, one for each :package-to-document

Gdl functions:

Main-sheet-body String of HTML

The main body of the page. This can be specified as input or overridden in subclass, otherwise it defaults to the content produced by the coutput-function of the same name in the applicable lens for html-format.

• BASE-YADD-SHEET

Mixins: BASE-AJAX-SHEET

<u>Author</u> Dave Cooper (Genworks)

Description Base mixin for a yadd sheet

Computed slots:

Additional-header-js String of valid HTML

Contains standard jQuery files to include in the header for additional search funcionality. This computed-slot contains javascript files, found in the *gdl-install-dir* and used throughout the yadd pages for the generation of automatic search forms (like the master-index). The javascript loaded is jquery.

Default-header-content String of valid HTML

Contains default header contents for yadd html files. This computed-slot is available in all children of this object. It contains links to default header content of a HTML generated yadd page. This contains a link to the favicon.ico and a link to a default CSS sheet. All these elements can be found in the *gdl-install-dir*/static/gwl/ directories.

• MASTER-INDEX

Mixins: BASE-YADD-SHEET

<u>Author</u> Dave Cooper (Genworks)

Description Prints bullet list of symbols as links to their documentation pages.

Input slots (required):

Symbols-for-index List of lists

Each list contains the page object for the symbol's documentation and the symbol's print-name. The list should be sorted based on the symbols' print-names.

Computed slots:

Additional-header-js-content valid javascript

This javascript is added to the head of the page, just before the body.

Main-sheet-body String of HTML

The main body of the page. This can be specified as input or overridden in subclass, otherwise it defaults to the content produced by the coutput-function of the same name in the applicable lens for html-format.

Use-jquery? Boolean

Include jquery javascript libraries in the page header? Default nil.

• PACKAGE-DOKUMENTATION

Mixins: BASE-YADD-SHEET

Author Dave Cooper

Description Prepares documentation for all relevant symbols in a given Lisp package.

Input slots (optional):

External-only? Boolean

Determines whether to consider all symbols in the package or just the exported ones.

Package String or keyword symbol

Names the package, or a nickname of the package, to be documented.

Show-supported-flag boolean

Determines whether to show red/green flag on each message indicating whether it is a supported message.

Computed slots:

Strings-for-display String or List of Strings

Determines how the name of objects of this type will be printed in most places. This defaults to the name-for-display (generally the part's name as specified in its parent), followed by an index number if the part is an element of a sequence.

Title String

The title of the web page. Defaults to "Genworks GDL -" .followed by the strings-for-display.

Objects:

Function-docs function-doc

Container for set of all Function documentation sheets.

Object-docs object-doc

Container for set of all Object documentation sheets.

Variable-docs variable-doc

Container for set of all Parameter/Variable/Constant documentation sheets.

Hidden objects:

Package-form package-form

Allows user to modify toplevel optional-inputs.

Gdl functions:

Dom-section List in GDL dom authoring format

Suitable for filling in a section of output document.

Write-html-sheet Void

Prints to *html-stream* a bulleted list for each of the three categories of docs in the package.

• PACKAGE-FORM

Mixins: BASE-YADD-SHEET

Author Dave Cooper (Genworks)

<u>Description</u> Presents a form to the user to be able to modify the Package, supported-flag, and external flag.

Gdl functions:

Write-html-sheet Void

This GDL function should be redefined to generate the HTML page corresponding to this object. It can be specified here, or as the main-sheet output-function in an html-format lens for this object's type. This write-html-sheet function, if defined, will override any main-sheet function defined in the lens. Typically a write-html-sheet function would look as follows:

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