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Creating a parameter file for Translator

- 1. Copy star.param file from Builder/translator directory to work area
- 2. Open star.param
- 2.1 Edit Star.cel, Star.vrt, and Star.usr to show where they are located
- 2.2 Change scalarname lines to respective scalars
- 2.3 For StarCD, "writeoption" should be Option 1
- **2.4** Enter one of the following on the scale index line:

Enter: For scale factor of:

- No scale, corresponding to a scale factor of 1.0
- Custom scale, indicating that the SCALEFACTOR tag will be used to specify a scale factor
- Meters to feet, corresponding to a scale factor of 3.28
- Millimeters to feet, corresponding to a scale factor of 3.28e-3
- Inches to feet, corresponding to a scale factor of 1.0/12.0
 - Meters (1:12) scale to feet,
- 5 corresponding to a scale factor of 12.0*3.28
- 2.5 VR space is always in feet, so the scale factor tag must be in feet.



- 3. Save and close
- 4. Enter "vedemo"
- **5.** Enter "translateToVtk" in your shell

- **6.** Select data type to convert
- 7. Name the file
- 8. Enter "mergeVertices"
- **8.1** Enter file name for input
- **8.2** Enter file name for output

Note: After the merge Vertices step, you may get the following error message: "vtkDebugLeaks has detected LEAKS!" This is normal.

Note: take note of orientation (size, etc.) and correct in VE-Xplorer parameter file if necessary*

- 9. Run meshViewer for visual verification of the location of the converted data
- **10.** Run WhatIsScalarRange for information on data set type, bounding box, and scalar and vector**
- **10.1** Enter file name for input
- **10.2** Input shrink factor
- 11. Enter the integer corresponding to the scalar you want to activate
- 12. Pick an option for displaying cells
- **13.** Manipulate the display views with the mouse:
- --left: rotate
- --right: zoom out
- --middle: translate
- **14.** Keyboard shortcuts:
- --T: toggles mouse between joystick and trackball modes
- --E: exit
- *optional
- **optional but recommended

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