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## MaqueTools toolbar by Mitch Heynick

Make sure you have the correct version: Maquetools.rui is for Rhino V5; Maquetools.tb is for V4.

Note: These tools do not run on native Mac versions of Rhino

Group /Tool

**Explanation** (+ = New; \* = Updated)

## Alignment

EquiCenter Objs X-Y EquiSpace Objs X-Y Closest Dist btw Objs Stack objects

Redistributes objects center to center evenly in world X and/or Y (uses bounding box)

Redistributes objects to have equal space between them in world X and/or Y Iteratively finds the closest distance between 2 surface or polysurface objects Stack objects in Z or along an axis

Projects volumes to surfaces or meshes (objects will touch or be embedded in surface)

**Project Volumes** Move Objs to New Z Move multiple/single objects to new Z level (LMB/RMB) Move Pt on Obj to Z0 Move point on object to World O/Cplane 0 in Z (LMB/RMB) Moves object(s) vertically so thier lowest point is at specified Z level Align bottom to Z Align bottom to 0 Moves object(s) vertically so thier lowest point is on world ZO plane

**Import** 

BatchImport Batch import 3DM, DXF, DWG, STEP, IGES, STL, Solidworks files Ascii Grid Import Import ASCII Grid files and create point cloud, mesh or surface XYZ RGB Import Import XYZ RGB color point files (V5 only! - Python script)

**Export** 

Export STL + Export STL files with various presets for 3D printing

**BoundingBox** 

Planar Minimum BB BoundingBox w/Size Adjust BoundingBox

Tries to find the closest fit rectangle for a 2D (planar) object Creates a bounding box with on-screen dimensions as text dots Creates a bounding box with user adjustable dimensions in 3 axes

**Point Functions** 

Ordered 3D Point Grid Random 3D Point Dist Generate ordered grid of points in XY or XYZ Generate a collection of randomly spaced points in 3D

Offset Curves

OffsetCrvs2SidesEnds OffsetClosedCrvsInOut ClosedCrvMultiOffset MultiBooleanOffset

Offset multiple curves both sides with end choices

Offset multiple closed curves inside, outside or both Offset one curve multiple times to the outside

Creates multiple combined offset outlines from a set of closed planar curves OffsetObject(s)Outline Creates an offset outline of a 3D object

OffsetPtsAlongCrv From a start point, creates individual (variable) distance offsets of the point along the curve

**Curve Tools** 

Scale Circles Scales selected circles by a factor

Replace Circle Dia Replaces circles of specified diameter with circles of new diameter

Replaces all selected circles with circles of new diameter Change Circle Dia Force Crv Direction Makes all selected closed planar curves CW or CCW

Insert PL in Curve Insert a polyline into a curve

PL by Angle+Length Create a polyline by inputting successive lengths and relative polar coordinates

UnrollPolyline "Unrolls" a polyline along the X axis

Makes a "near planar" closed curve planar (best fit or active Cplane) PlanarizeCurve

DetectOverlaps Detect overlaping coplanar curves (does not fix anything!)

Curve Repair

Rem Short Crv Segs Removes segments of curves smaller than file tolerance DPRefit Polylines to Tol Douglas-Peucker refit polyline to tolerance algorithm Remove Xtra PL Pts Remove unnecessary polyline points (angle tolerance) Reduce Crv Pt Count Rebuild curves with less points (reduction factor)

RebuildReduce PLines Fit smooth curves to polylines with reduced point count (reduction factor) Rebuild Crvs ByLength Rebuild multiple curves with a point count proportional to length

Surf Functions	
Make Quad Srfs Conv Srfs to Quads SimplifyPlanarSrfs Retrim Surfaces Multiple Planar Srfs Multiple UnrollSrfs SrfFromPointGrid RandomZGridAndSrf	<ul> <li>Make untrimmed quad surfaces from closed 4 sided polylines</li> <li>Make untrimmed quad surfaces from trimmed surfaces if possible</li> <li>Replace planar surfaces or polysurface faces with trimmed planes if possible</li> <li>Untrim and retrim surfaces (to try to fix bad objects)</li> <li>Make one planar surface from each selected closed planar curve</li> <li>Unroll multiple surfaces or polysurfaces</li> <li>Creates a surface from an existing ordered rectangular grid of points (aligned with XY axes)</li> <li>Creates a point grid and/or surface with ordered X and Y and random height Z points</li> </ul>
Curve Piping	
MultiRoundPipe MultiSquarePipe MultiRectPipe Profile MultiPipe	Make round pipes from a selction of curves Make sqaure pipes from a selction of curves Make rectangular pipes from a selction of curves Make profile pipes from a selction of curves (choose profile on Z0 plane)
Copy/Array	
Circles at Points Spheres at Points Copy Object to Points Array Diagonal Array Helical	Creates a circle of user specified diameter at all selected points Creates a sphere of user specified diameter at all selected points Copies one object from one picked point to a group of selected points Arrays a set of objects along an XY or XYZ diagonal Arrays a set of objects along a helix (stair-like)
Split/Trim	
BoundaryTrim Crvs Split All Curves	<ul> <li>* Trims curves inside or outside a closed boundary</li> <li>+ Split all selected curves with each other</li> </ul>
Transforms	
MultiObj FlowCrv RemapObjs to World RemapPlanarObjsToW Comp/Exp Obj Spacing Uniform Scale Objs Ctr NU Scale Objs Ctr Random Scale Objs Ctr Random Rotate Objs Ctr	Flow one object from one base curve to multiple destination curves Remap objects from 3 points to world Z O Remap planar objects from their object plane to to world XY plane  * Compress or expand the space between objects by scaling their distance from a given point   * the above does not check for interferences produced by the scaling, objects may overlap  * Scales objects uniformly in 3D about their bounding box center or centroid (LMB/RMB)  * Scales objects non-uniformly in 3D about their bounding box center or centroid (LMB/RMB)  Scales objects about their centers randomly in X, Y, and Z (with max and min in each axis)  Rotates objects about their centers randomly (with angle limitation)
Sel by Object Type SelFence	Select objects by object type (lines, circles, etc.) - all self-explanatory except: Use a pre-existing curve fence to select objects
Sel by Obj Property Sel by Linetype Sel Crvs by Length Sel Crvs by Area Sel Arcs by Radius Sel Srfs by Area Sel Meshes by Area Sel Small Srf+PSrf Sel Small Meshes Sel by Z Level	Select objects by object property (length, area, etc.)  Select curves by linetype  Select curves by length criteria (greater than, less than, equal to, etc.)  Select closed planar curves by area (greater than, less than, equal to, etc.)  Select arcs or circles by radius (greater than, less than, equal to, etc.)  Select surfs or polysurfs by area (greater than, less than, equal to, etc.)  + Select meshes by area (greater than, less than, equal to, etc.)  Select surfaces or polysurfaces less than a certain size (area)  + Select meshes less than a certain size (area)  Selects planar curves and surfaces by Z level (or a range of Z levels)  *RMB of above isolates the objects found, hiding the rest

## View and Display

ResetViewToTitle + Resets a named view to the stored parameters UpdateNamedView Replaces stored named view with the current one SetBackground Color

Sets all viewport backgrounds to preset grays or picked color

GradientBackground  ${\it Choose gradient\ background\ presets\ in\ current\ viewport\ using\ Gradient View}$ 

SliceNFlat Slices objects, numbers slices, and prepares flat layouts for cutting