

MicroStation

Stretching Graphic Cells

Did you know that you can use the Fence Stretch command and stretch graphic cells without dropping the cell status to simple graphics? Simply place a Fence (Inside Fence Mode is the safest), go to the Manipulate Fence Contents Command. Select the Operation pull-down and choose Stretch. Make sure that the Stretch Cells option is checked. The command wants you to define the origin and then define the distance. The cell will then be stretched. A few additional items to be aware of: make sure that the Cell has NOT been placed as a Shared Cell. Also make sure that your fence is strategically placed so as not to stretch elements that also lie inside the fence (vertices included). Play with the command. It is very powerful.