

The first two examples are of the same volume (a sphere with radius 5 cm) but with a different center position. Notice the visual editor pictures are almost identical.

```
1 Example geometry with sphere
2 C Cells
3 99 0 1 imp:p=0 $ graveyard, universe, outside world
4 20 0 -1 imp:p=1 $ this is three dimentional object defined by the surface number 1
5
6 C Surfaces
7 1 so 5 $ sphere centered at origin (0,0,0) of radius 5 cm
8
9 C Physics
10 c we won't focus on this for now
11 mode p
12 nps 1000
13 sdef erg=1 par=p
14
```

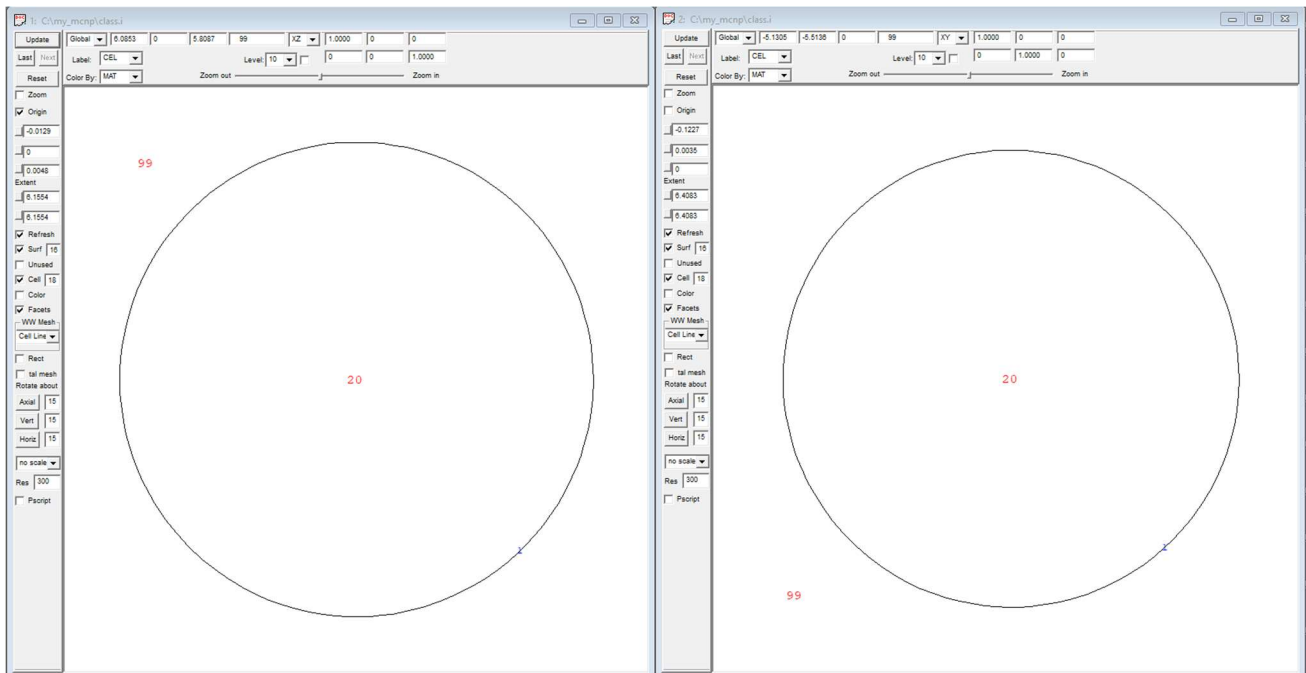


Figure 1 Visual Editor 2 D representation of input file

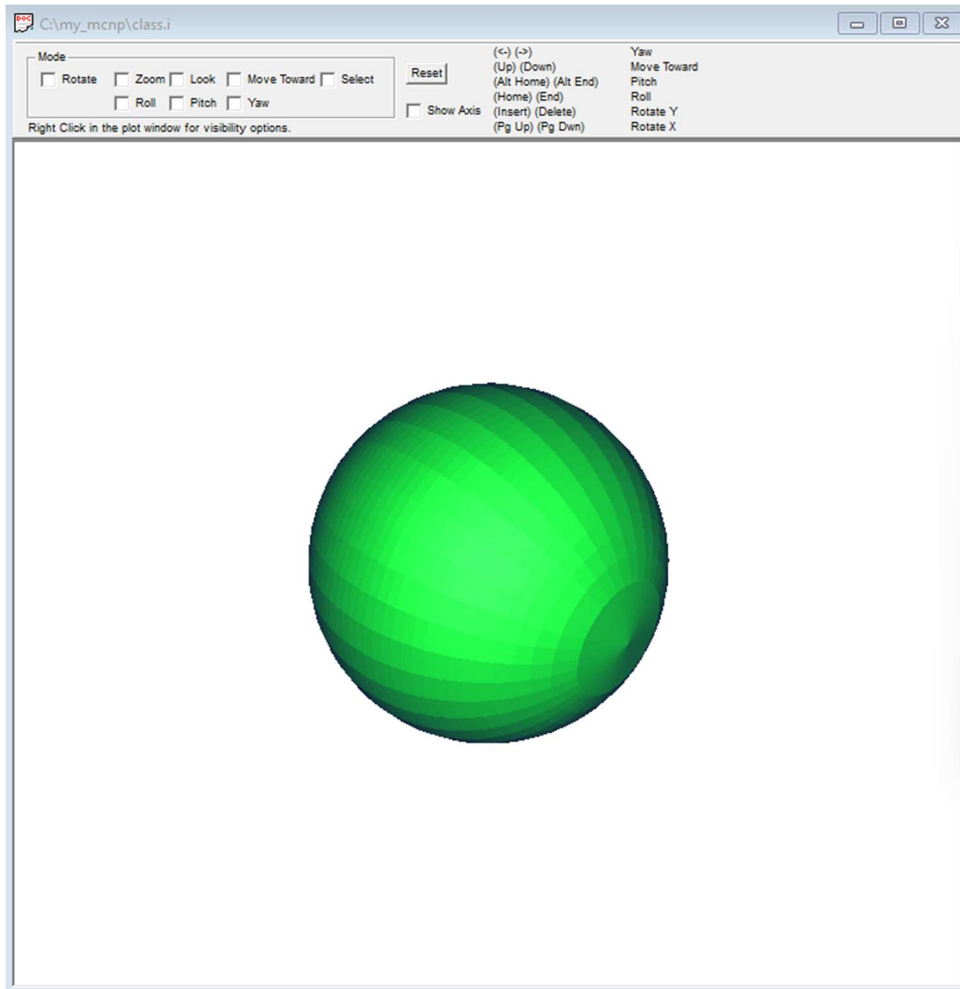


Figure 2 Visual Editor 3 D representation of input file

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1 Example geometry with sphere not centered at zero
2 c notice nothing about the cells changes, just the surface definition
3 C Cells
4 99 0 1 imp:p=0 $ graveyard, universe, outside world
5 20 0 -1 imp:p=1 $ this is three dimensional object defined by the surface number 1
6
7 C Surfaces
8 c s is for sphere, x y z, then radius
9 1 s 5 2 7 5 $ sphere centered at point (5,2,7) of radius 5 cm
10
11 C Physics
12 c we won't focus on this for now
13 mode p
14 nps 1000
15 sdef erg=1 par=p
16

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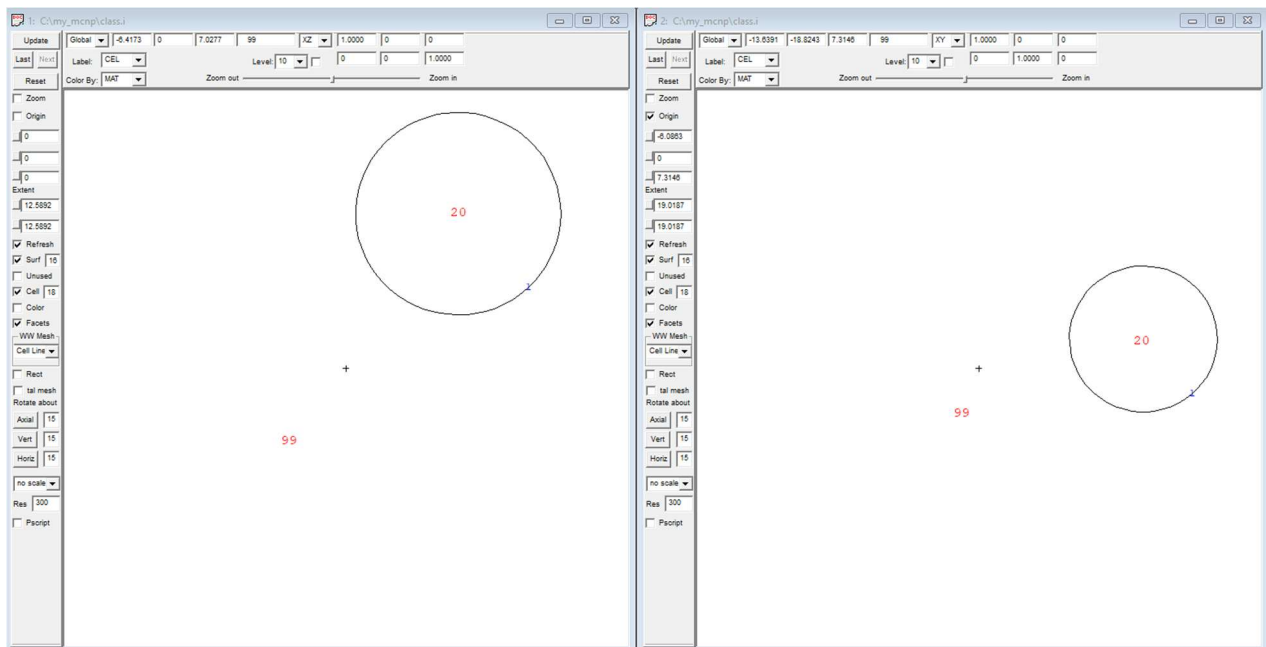


Figure 3 Visual Editor 2D representation of input file

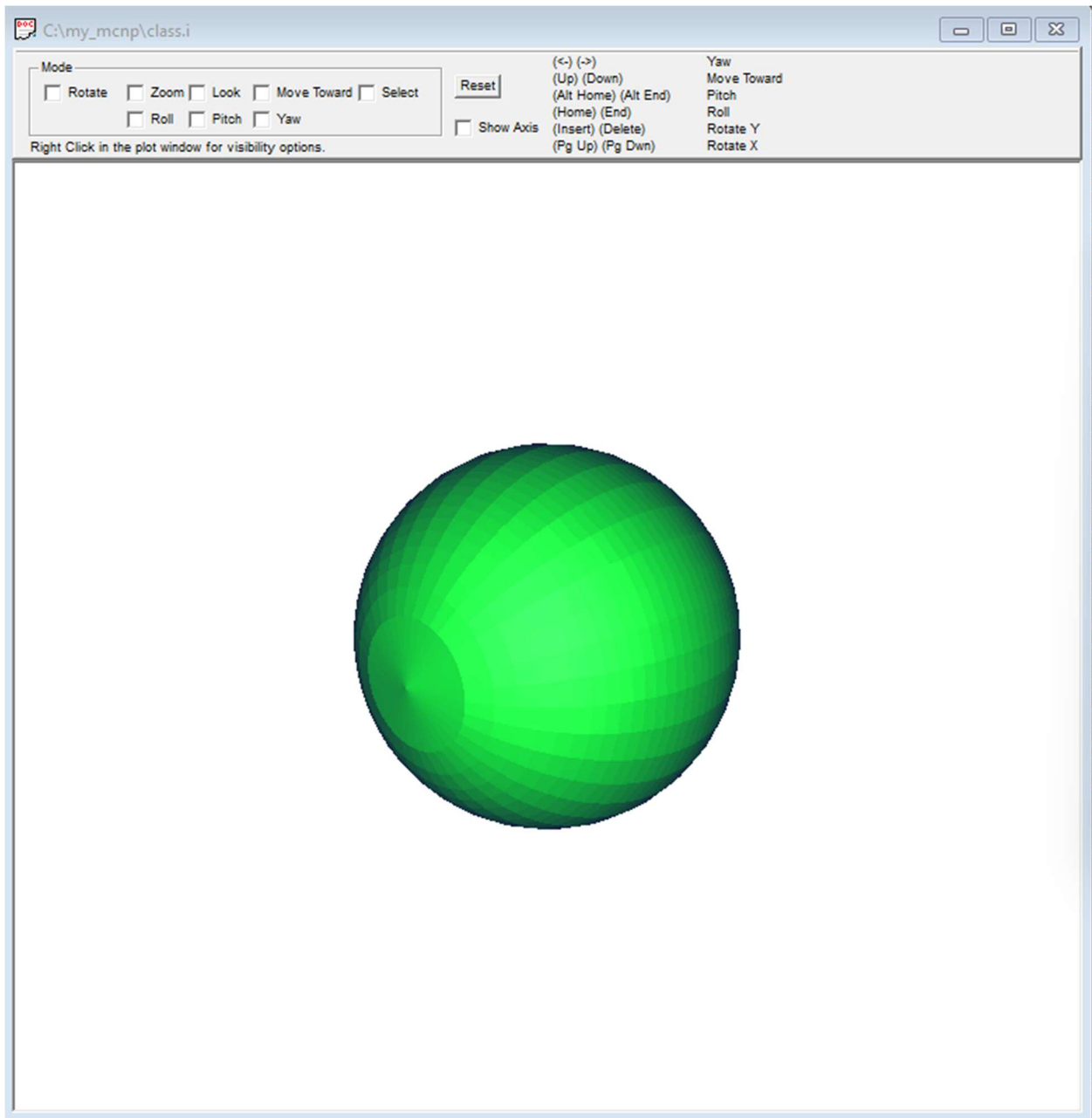


Figure 4 Visual Editor 3 D representation of input file

The following 2 examples are identical cubes (2 cm x 2 cm x 2 cm, centered at origin). The first example defines the surface as a macrobody, while the second example defines the 6 surfaces of the cube individually. You will notice the surface legends on the Visual editor are different; the clue that a macrobody was used is that the surface numbers are decimals; indicating the macrobody surface number and the facet number.

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1 Example geometry cube with macrobody
2 C Cells
3 99 0 1 imp:p=0 $ graveyard, universe, outside world
4 20 0 -1 imp:p=1 $ this is three dimentional object defined by the surface number 1
5
6 C Surfaces
7 1 RPP -1 1 -1 1 -1 1 $ cube centered at origin (0,0,0) 2 cm x 2 cm x 2 cm
8
9 C Physics
10 c we won't focus on this for now
11 mode p
12 nps 1000
13 sdef erg=1 par=p
14

```

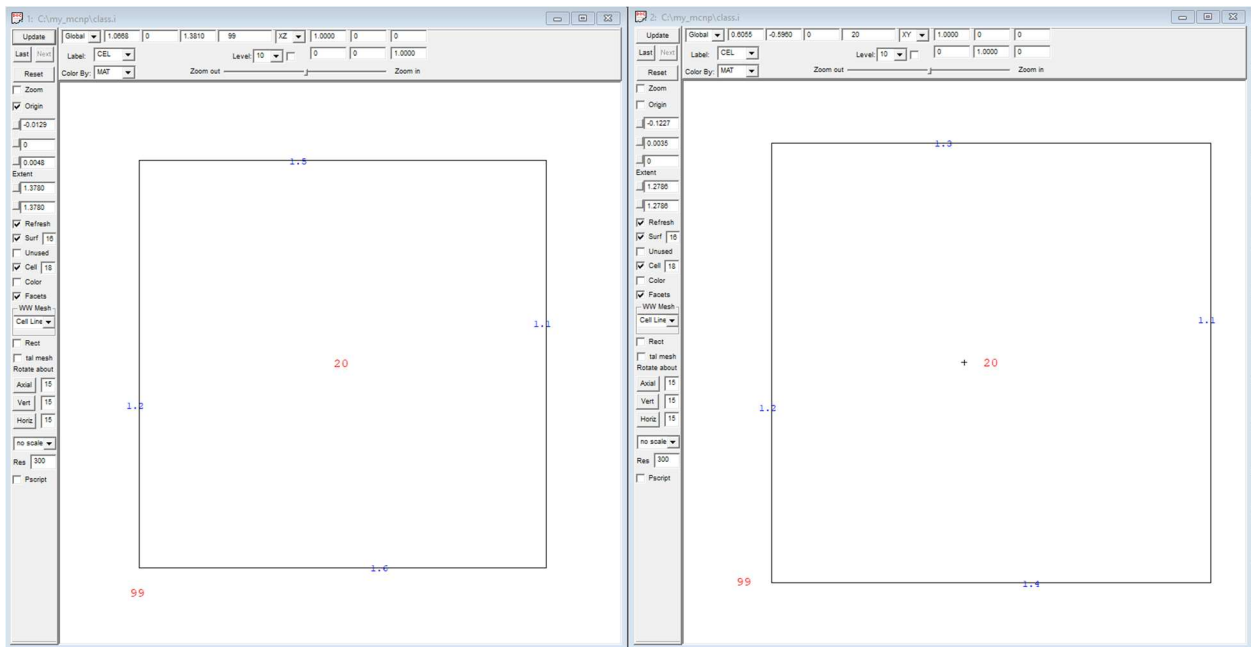


Figure 5 Visual Editor 2D representation of input file

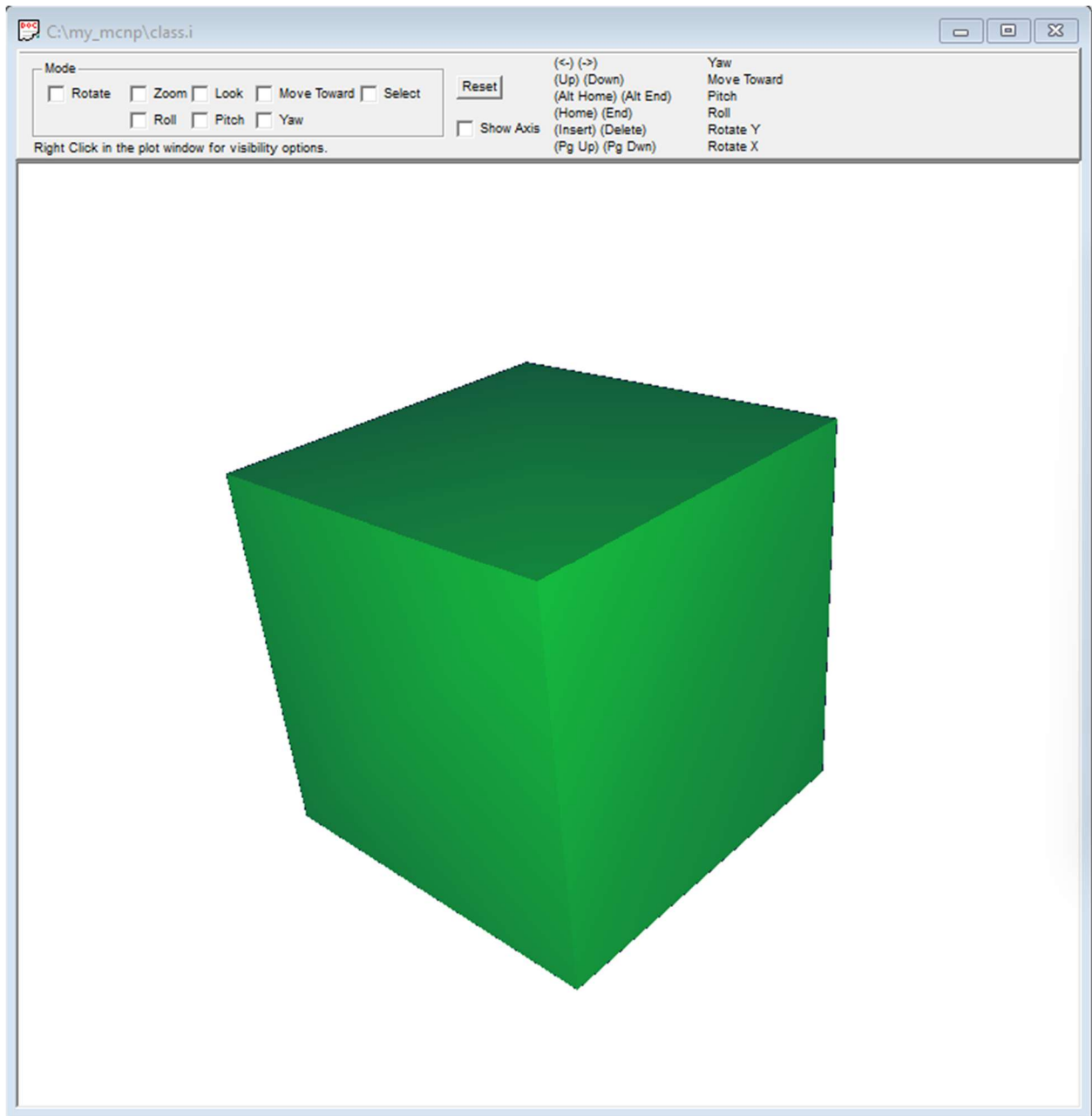


Figure 6 Visual Editor 3 D representation of input file

In addition to the different surface numbers, notice that the outside world is defined very differently. The union operator (“.” in MCNP™ syntax) is used to include all areas outside of the planes.

```
Example geometry cube with surfaces
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```
C Cells
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99 0 -1:2:-3:4:-5:6 imp:p=0 $ graveyard, universe, outside world
20 0 1 -2 3 -4 5 -6 imp:p=1 $ this is three dimensional object defined by the surface numbers 1-6
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C Surfaces
```

```
1 px -1
2 px 1
3 py -1
4 py 1
5 pz -1
6 pz 1
```

```
C Physics
```

```
c we won't focus on this for now
mode p
nps 1000
sdef erg=1 par=p
```

Alternately, we can define the outside world as follows:

```
1 Example geometry cube with surfaces and cell exclusion defining outside world
2 C Cells
3 99 0 #20 imp:p=0 $ graveyard, universe, outside world
4 20 0 1 -2 3 -4 5 -6 imp:p=1 $ this is three dimensional object defined by the surface number 1
5
6 C Surfaces
7 1 px -1
8 2 px 1
9 3 py -1
10 4 py 1
11 5 pz -1
12 6 pz 1
13
14 C Physics
15 c we won't focus on this for now
16 mode p
17 nps 1000
18 sdef erg=1 par=p
19
```

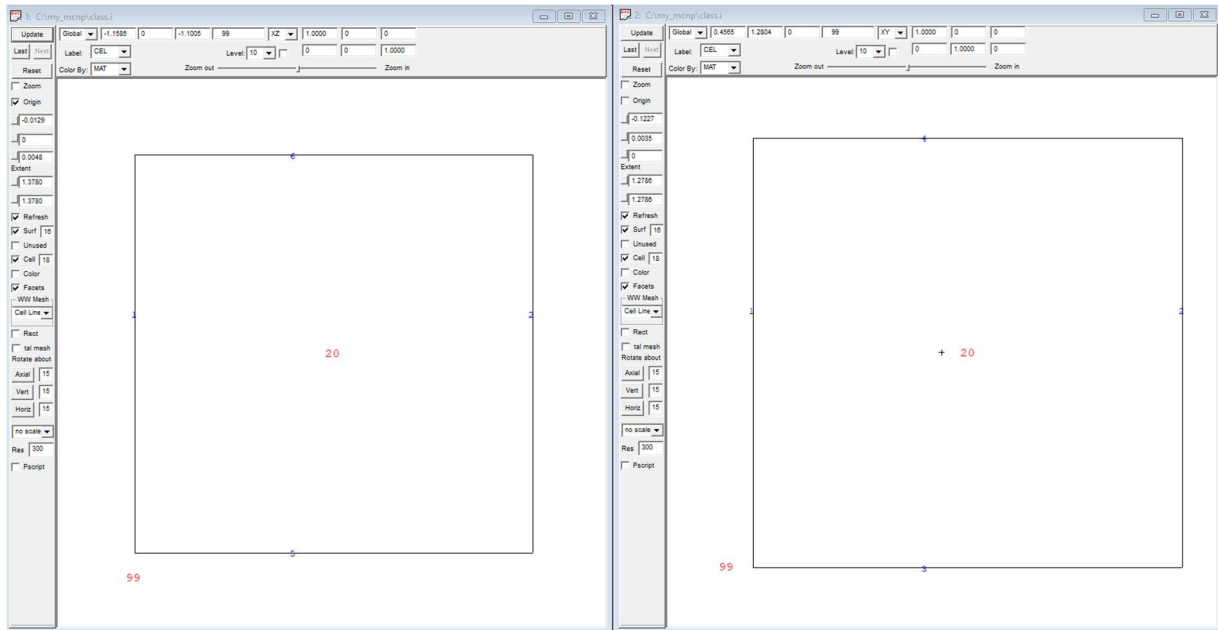


Figure 7 Visual Editor 2 D representation of input file

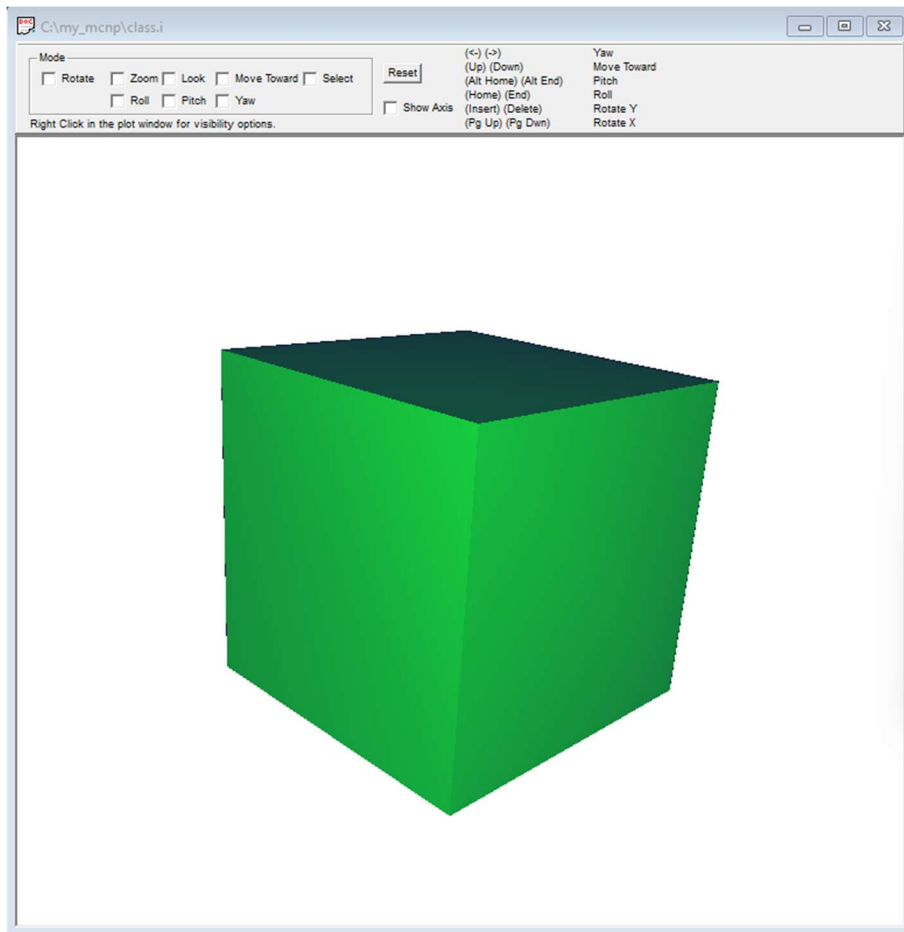


Figure 8 Visual Editor 3 D representation of input file

For additional help or reference, refer to either the MCNP™ Manual (located in the MY_MCNP > MCNP_DOCS > la-cp-13-00634, or a quick reference guide is the Schultis and Faw MCNP primer (Schultis, J. Kenneth and Richard E. Faw. “An MCNP primer.” (2011).) Below is a list of the Macrobody and surface types we reviewed from the MCNP manual:

Table 3-8. Macrobody Rectangular Parallelepiped (RPP)

Input Parameter	Description
$x_{min} \ x_{max}$	Termini of box sides normal to the x -axis.
$y_{min} \ y_{max}$	Termini of box sides normal to the y -axis.
$z_{min} \ z_{max}$	Termini of box sides normal to the z -axis.

Table 3-4. MCNP6 Surface Cards

Mnemonic	Type	Description	Equation	Card Entries
P	Plane	General	$Ax + By + Cz - D = 0$	A B C D
PX		Normal to x -axis	$x - D = 0$	D
PY		Normal to y -axis	$y - D = 0$	D
PZ		Normal to z -axis	$z - D = 0$	D
SO	Sphere	Centered at Origin	$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - R^2 = 0$	R
S		General	$(x - \bar{x})^2 + (y - \bar{y})^2 + (z - \bar{z})^2 - R^2 = 0$	$\bar{x} \ \bar{y} \ \bar{z} \ R$
SX		Centered on x -axis	$(x - \bar{x})^2 + y^2 + z^2 - R^2 = 0$	$\bar{x} \ R$
SY		Centered on y -axis	$x^2 + (y - \bar{y})^2 + z^2 - R^2 = 0$	$\bar{y} \ R$
SZ		Centered on z -axis	$x^2 + y^2 + (z - \bar{z})^2 - R^2 = 0$	$\bar{z} \ R$