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This document describes how to create and apply link elements in the Layout Designer from MTpro.

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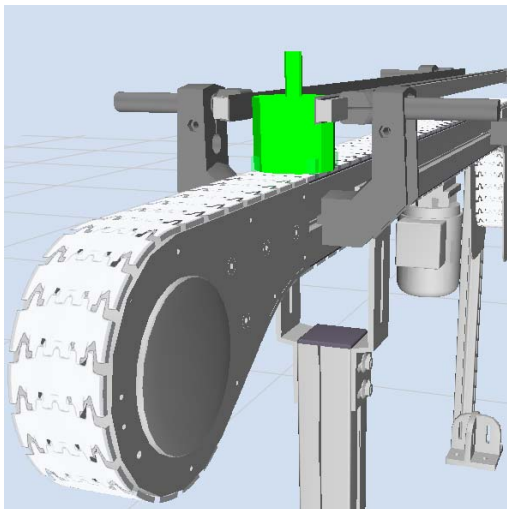
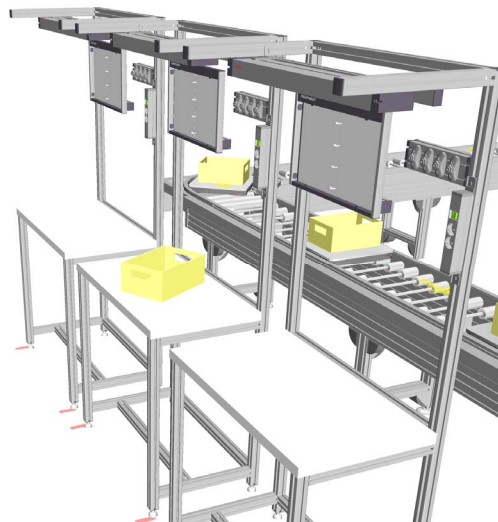
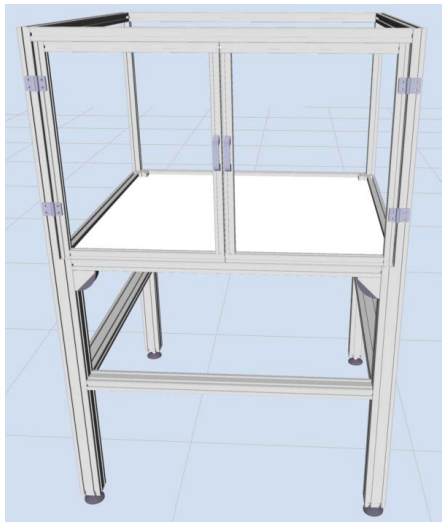
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1 Introduction

In the MTpro Layout Designer it is possible to connect elements with each other, which cannot be snapped together otherwise. A so called link element can be attached on every element in the Layout Designer. With the link element, you are also able to connect imported CAD models and MTpro “user products”:



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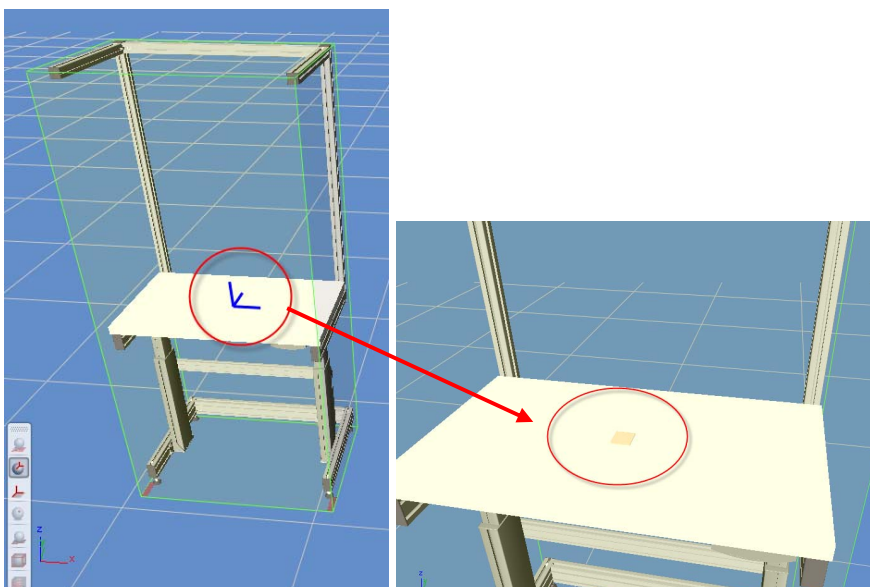
2 Practice

To connect two elements with each other with a link element, follow the steps:

1. Click on the right mouse button to open the context menu. Choose „Create link element“:



2. With the blue marker select an anchor point for the link element. This will be visualized by a cube around the anchor point (right image):



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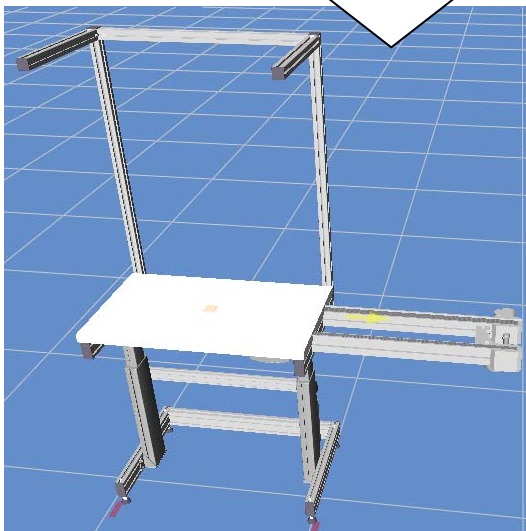
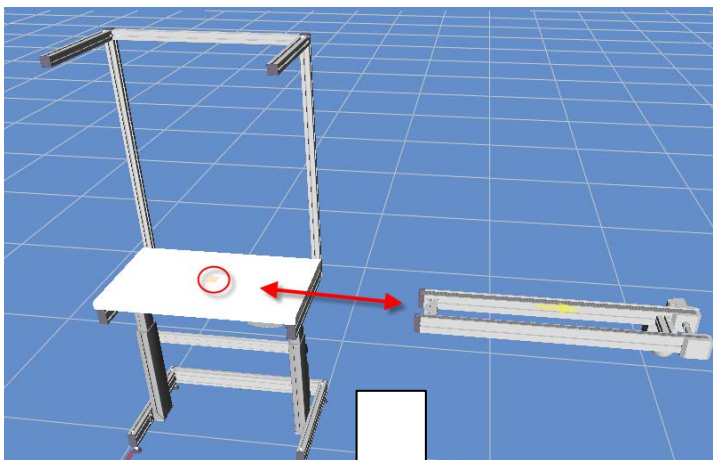
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3. Now drag the element you would like to dock over to the link element. It will snap automatically with a displacement of 50mm in x-axis:



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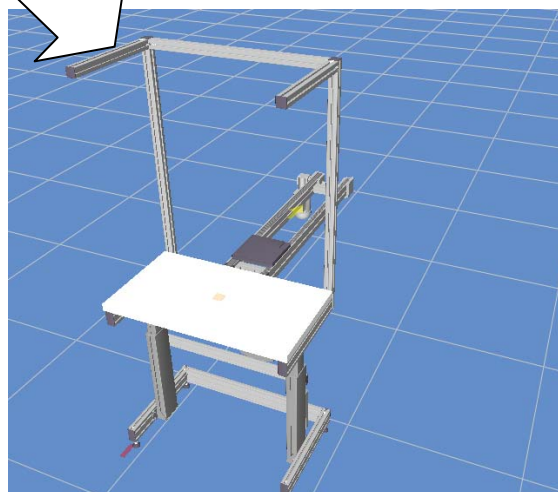
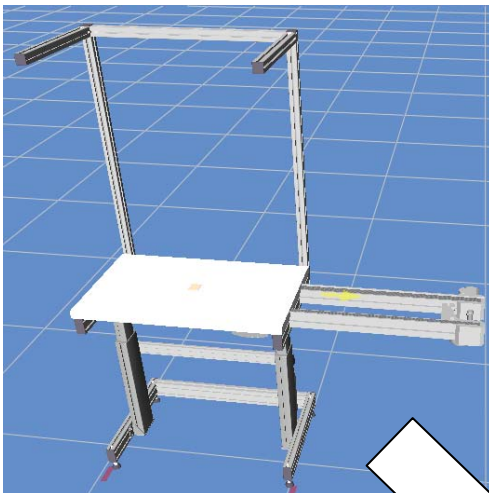
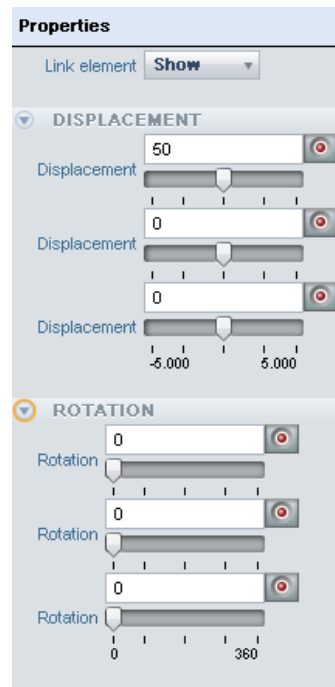
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4. The relative position of the elements can be adjusted in the properties. To do that select the cube around the link element and define the displacement in the x-, y- and z-axis. Also you are able to rotate in x-, y- and z-axis. The element on which the link element was created stays in place. The connected element turns around the link element.



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