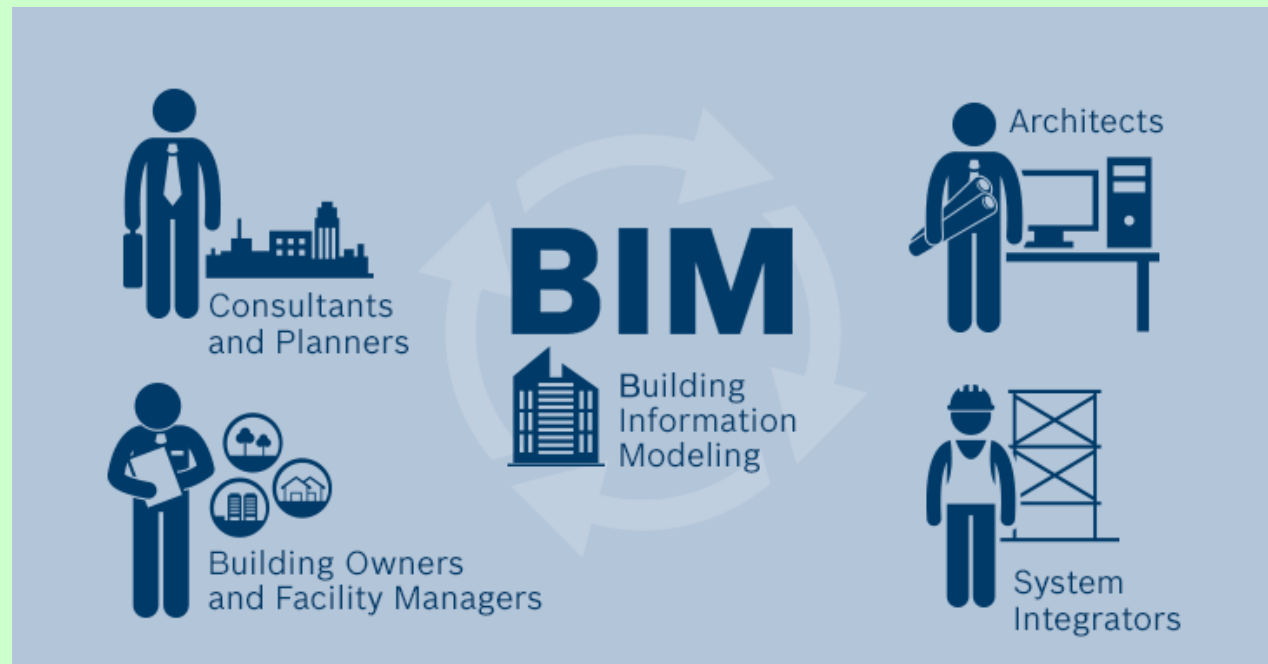


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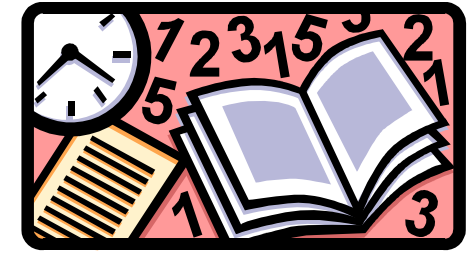
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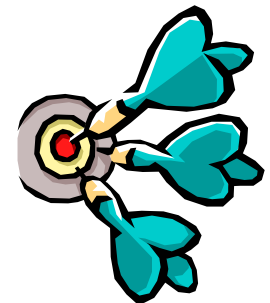
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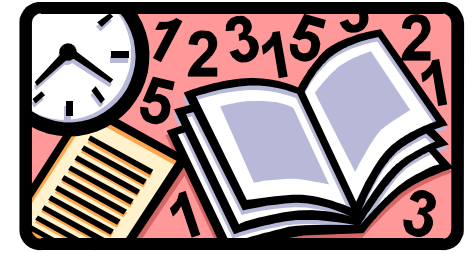


- Module Aim(s):

- This module introduces the basic concepts and essential background of **building information modelling (BIM)** to students of building services engineering and other related professional disciplines. It extends the knowledge in engineering drawing and computer-aided design (CAD) in construction projects, and develop skills necessary for understanding **virtual design and construction (VDC)**. Students will learn the conceptual background of BIM and apply the principles for the various aspects of BIM.



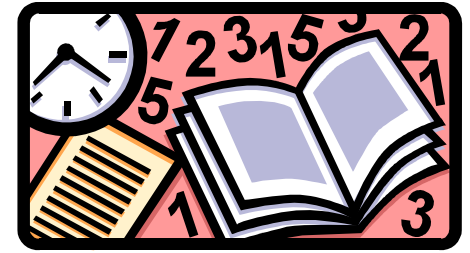
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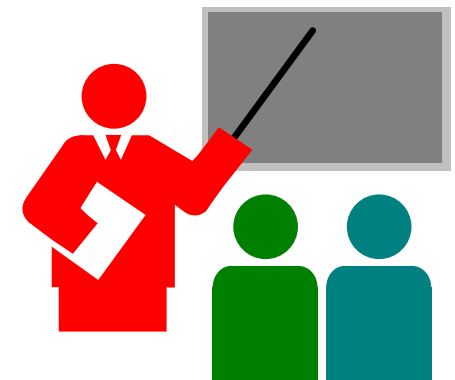
- 1. explain the basic concepts of BIM for construction and building projects;
- 2. identify the various aspects of BIM and evaluate their potential benefits for different building professionals and stakeholders; and
- 3. apply the fundamental techniques of BIM to CAD applications and automated construction solutions.

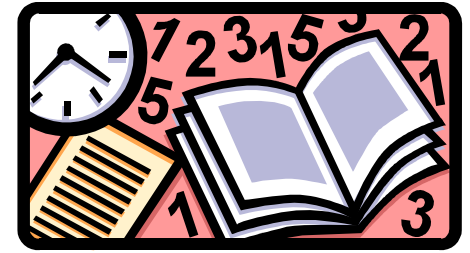




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- Lecturers:
 - Ir Dr. Sam C. M. Hui (cmhui@vtc.edu.hk)
 - Ir Dr. NG Tsz Ho Roger (rogerng@vtc.edu.hk)
- Course Website: (with links and resources)
 - <http://ibse.hk/SBM5101/>
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- Moodle system
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 - Engineering Drawing and Construction CAD



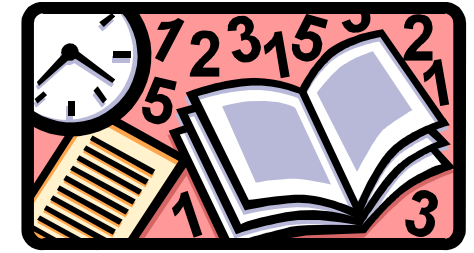


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- Assessment Components:
- Assignments (50%)
 - Assignment by Dr. Hui (30%)
 - Assignment by Dr. Ng (20%)
- Examination (50%) (3 hours)
 - Section A by Dr. Hui (6 out of 7 questions @ 10 marks)
 - Section B by Dr. Ng (4 out of 5 questions @ 10 marks)



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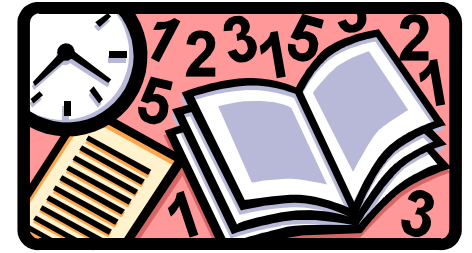
- Study topics:

- 1. Introduction to BIM
 - 2. Computer modelling and BIM software
 - 3. BIM uses and processes: BIM workflow & strategy
 - 4. BIM uses and processes: Pre-tender requirements
 - 5. BIM uses and processes: Definition & design stage
 - 6. BIM uses and processes: Construction stage
 - 7. BIM uses and processes: Handover + O&M stages
 - 8. BIM uses and processes: Practical examples
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- 9. Digital information management
 - 10. Common data environment
 - 11. Data quality control & assurance
 - 12. Commercial and contract issues (2 weeks)

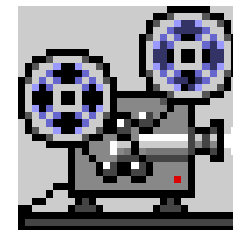
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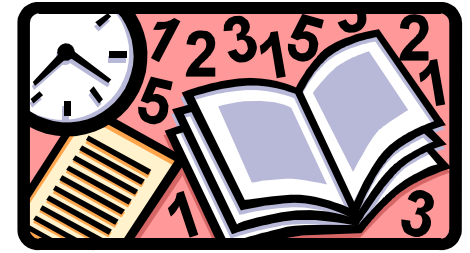
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- Learning Methods:
 - Lectures + Further Reading
 - Individual Assignments
 - Discussions
 - During lectures/tutorials
 - Guest lectures
- Resources:
 - Video presentations
 - Web links + References

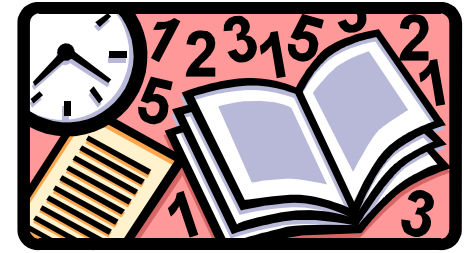




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https://www.academia.edu/32112187/Building_information_modeling
- Barnes, P. and Davies, N., 2015. *BIM in Principle and in Practice*, Second edition, ICE Publishing, London.
- Kumar, B., 2015. *A Practical Guide to Adopting BIM in Construction Projects*, Whittles, Dunbeath.
- Denis, F., 2015. *Building Information Modelling – Belgian Guide for the Construction Industry*, ADEB-VBA, Brussel.
(<http://adeb-vba.be/the-guide-to-bim.pdf>)



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- Useful Websites:

- Autodesk BIM Curriculum

<http://bimcurriculum.autodesk.com/>

- Autodesk Design Academy <http://academy.autodesk.com>

- BIM - Construction Industry Council

<http://www.bim.cic.hk>

- BIM@Singapore <http://bimsg.org/>

- BIM Basics [BIM+]

- <http://www.bimplus.co.uk/bim-basics/>

- BIM For Beginners [theb1m.com]

- <http://www.theb1m.com/BIM-For-Beginners>

- Graphisoft BIM Curriculum

- <http://www.graphisoft.com/learning/bim-curriculum/>

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Introduction to BIM



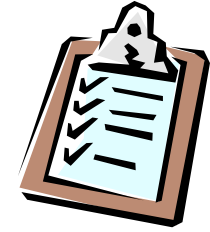
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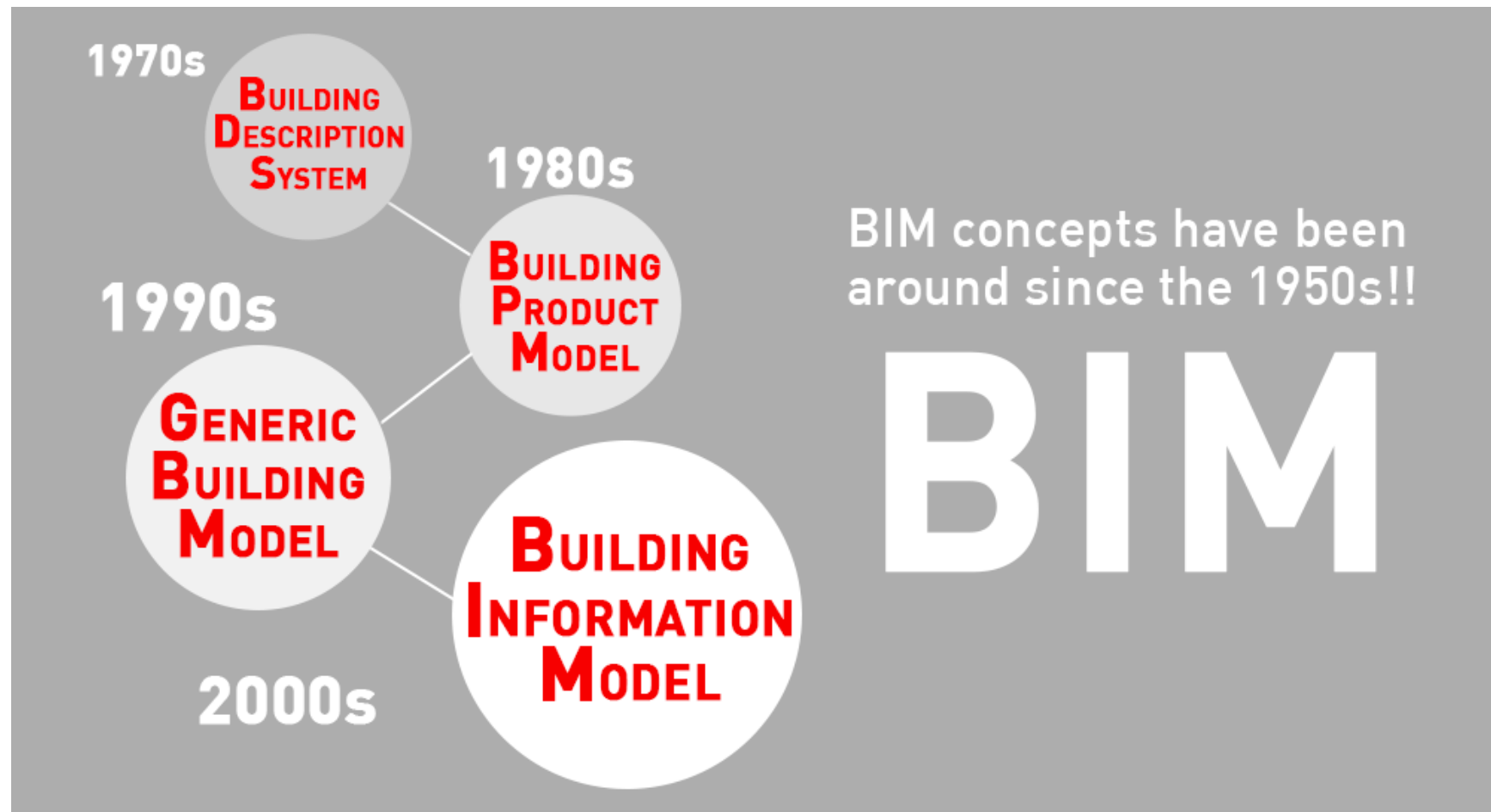
- History: From 2D to BIM
- Drawing skills and BIM
- Basic concepts of BIM
- Why BIM?
- BIM elements and standards
- BIM dimensions





History: From 2D to BIM

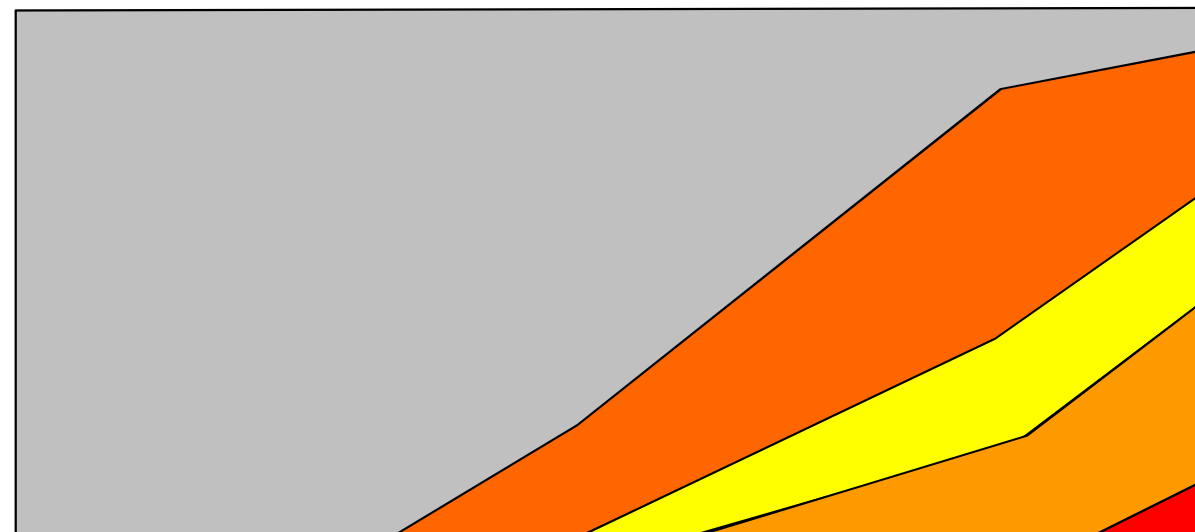
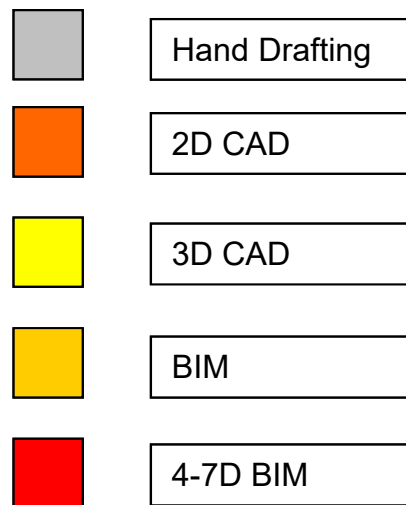
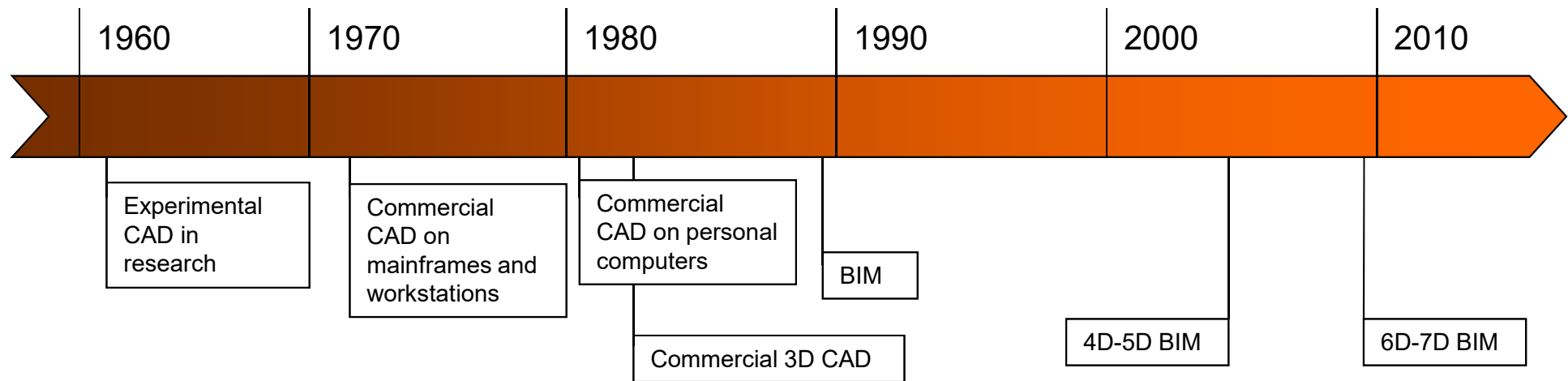
- BIM concept has existed since the late-50s



Evolution of AEC CAD

- 2D solutions
 - Electronic drafting board
- 3D solutions
 - Modeling for pure visualization purposes
- BIM solutions
 - Models with integrated architectural information
- 4D-5D BIM - Construction Coordination
 - Timing/scheduling and Cost estimation
- 6D-7D BIM
 - Facility Management and Life Cycle Management

AEC CAD Timeline



2D CAD - Workflow

- Design and document all in 2D
- No 3D model
- Drawings in separate files
- Manual coordination of drawings
- No visualization and calculation tools



2D CAD - Evaluation

Benefits

Compared to hand drafting

- Fast modifications
- Accuracy
- Intelligent drafting tools (fills, dimensions)
- Repetitive element handling (blocks, xrefs)

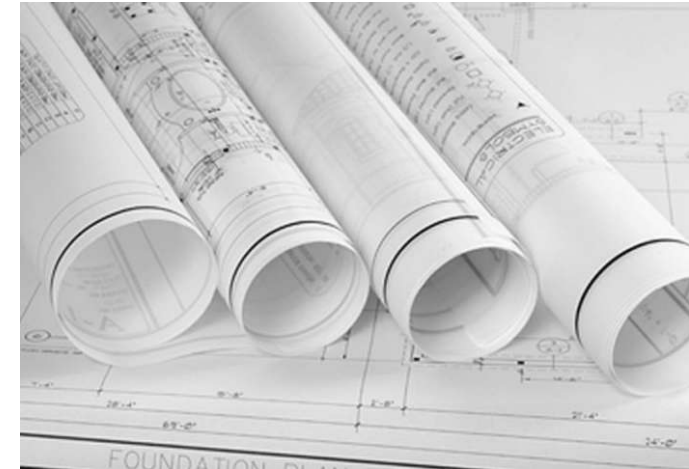
Compared to 3D CAD and BIM

- Simple working concept (electronic drafting)
- Relatively small file size (only 2D data)
- Workflow is applicable for all building types

Drawbacks

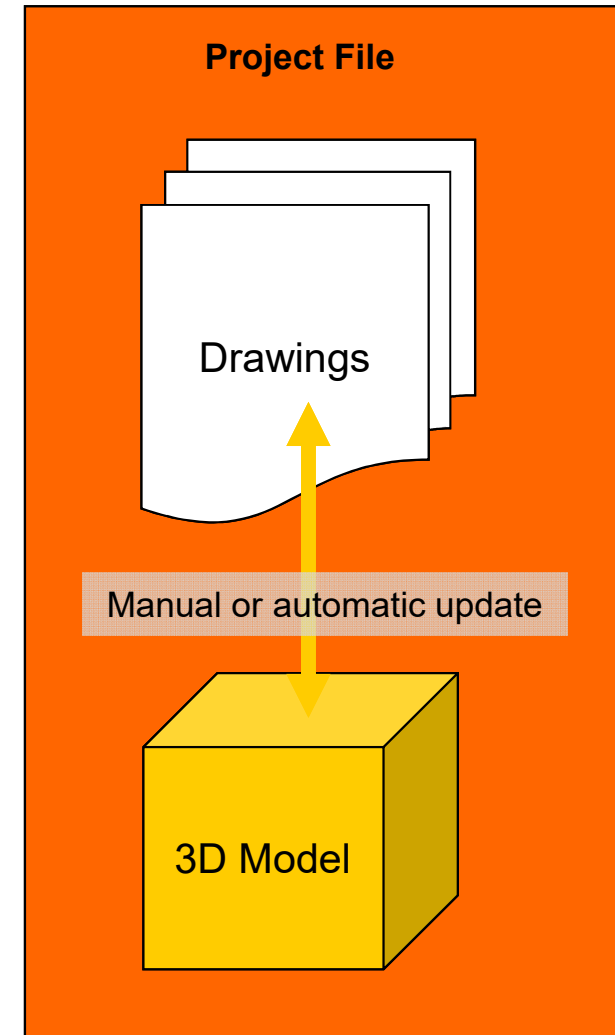
Compared to 3D CAD and BIM

- Drawings are not coordinated automatically
- No 3D visualization
- No automatic calculations, quantity take-offs or schedules
- No collision detection



3D CAD - Workflow

- CAD application has 2D & 3D capabilities
- Buildings can be modeled in 3D
- 3D and 2D information can be included in one file
- Drawings are (partially) derived from the model
- No automatic documentation
- Applications mostly works with 2D and 3D tools instead of real architectural elements
- Basic visualization and calculation tools



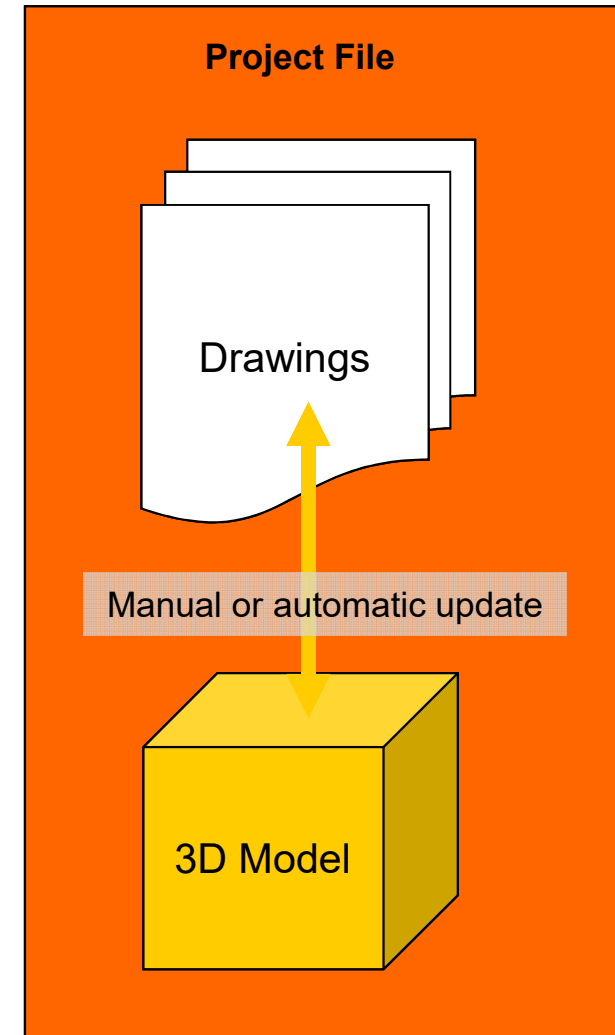
3D CAD - Evaluation

• Benefits

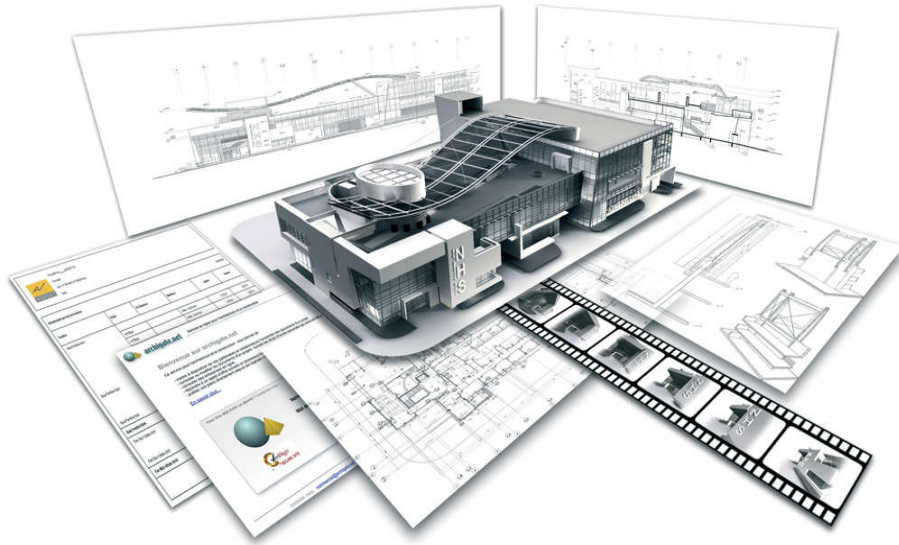
- Compared to 2D CAD
- Easier identification of design problems
- Faster change management
- Visualization and calculation capabilities
- Compared to BIM
- 3D modeling is optional
- Smaller file size

• Drawbacks

- Concept doesn't follow the architectural design process
- No automatic documentation
- No real architectural elements



The BIM Concept



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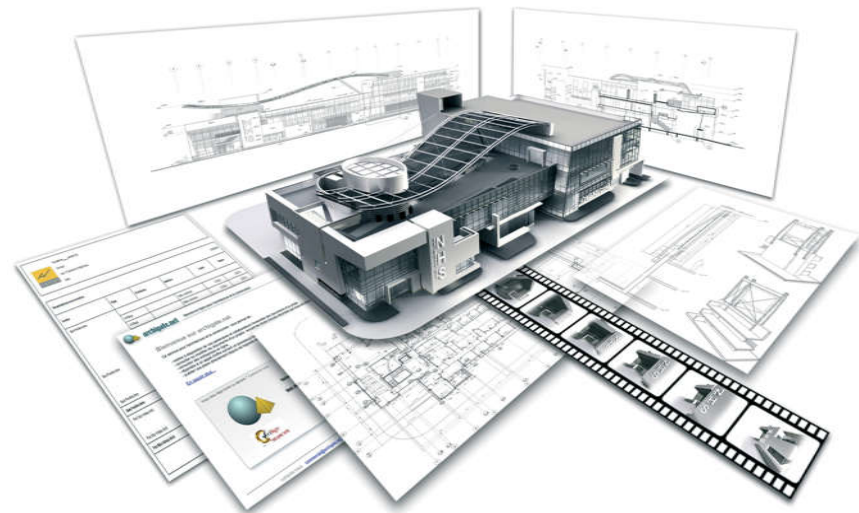
BIM = Building Information Modeling

Also known as „Virtual Building” or „Building Simulation”

Drawings, model views, visualizations, calculations and quantity take-offs are automatically derived from the 3D model.

BIM - Workflow

- Single file concept:
 - The complete building model and all of its representations are included in the virtual building file
- Real architectural elements used for modeling
- Changes of the model affects all drawings, and vice versa
- Automatic documentation workflow
- Rich architectural content (libraries)
- Building information data attached to the elements
- Internal visualization tools
- Calculations, schedules



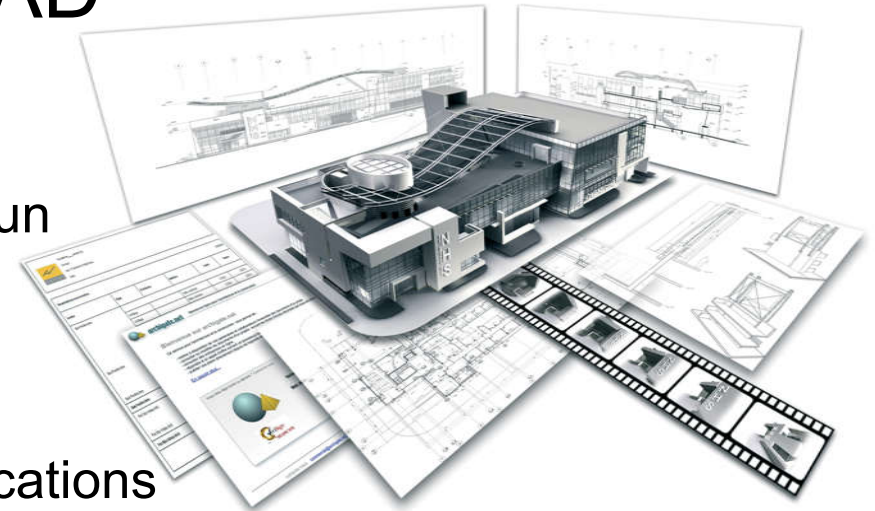
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BIM - Evaluation

Benefits

Compared to 2D and 3D CAD

- Real architectural elements
- Automatic drawing coordination
- Rich visualization content (animation, sun studies, renderings etc.)
- Automatic quantity take-offs, schedules
- Connection to structural, MEP, energy calculation and collision detection applications



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Drawbacks

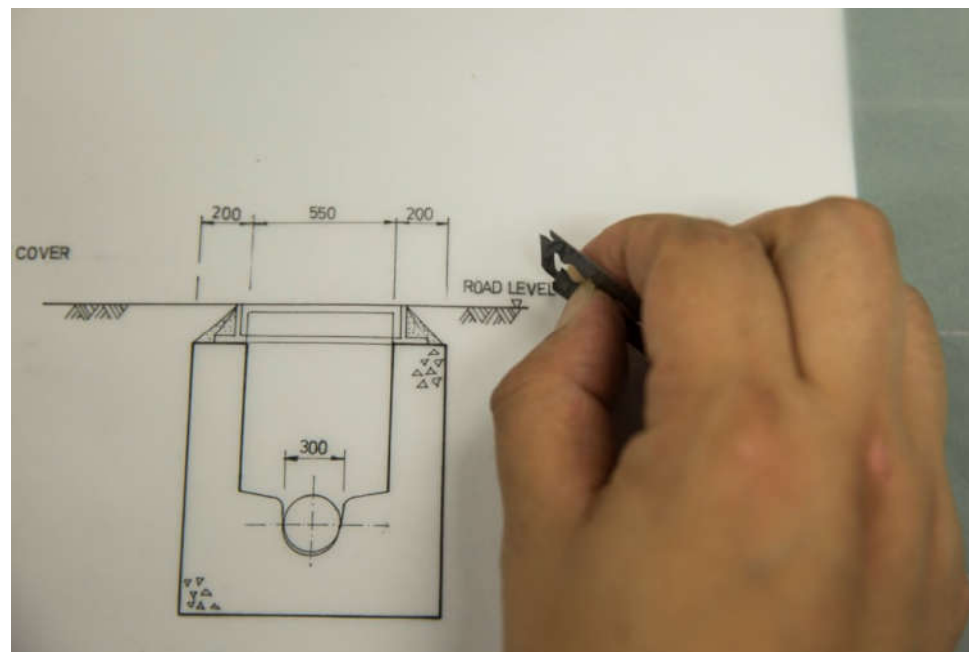
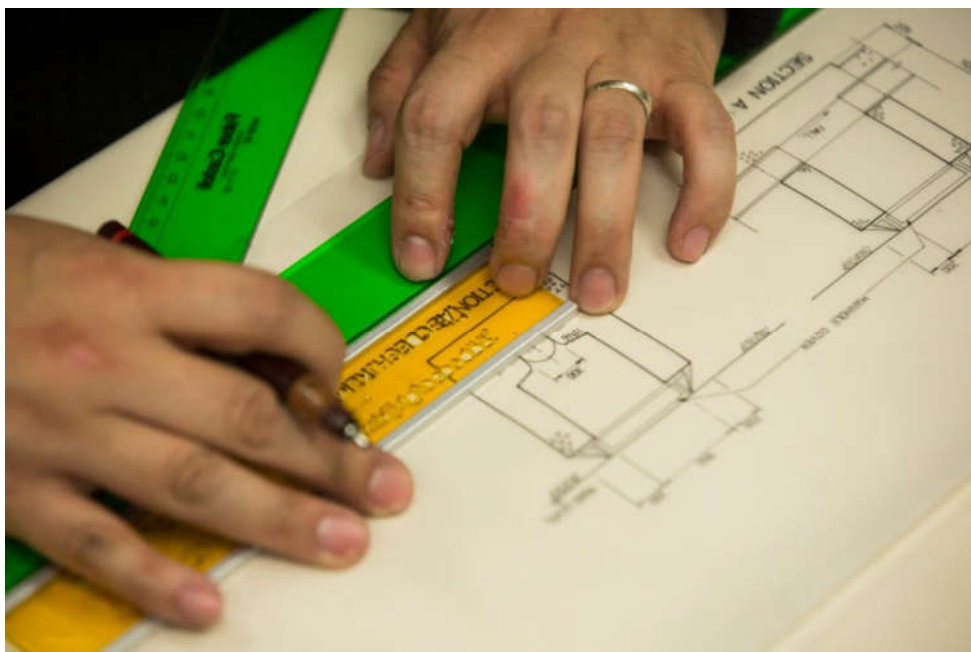
Compared to 2D and 3D CAD

- Might be difficult to learn the BIM approach for 2D cross-graders
- Training requirements

Drawing skills and BIM



Hand drafting of technical and engineering drawings becomes a history



Hand drafting tools and computer-aided drafting

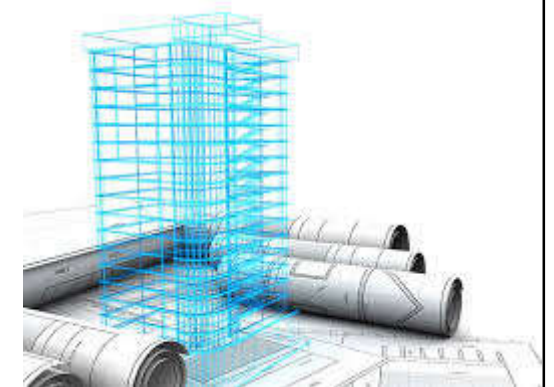


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Drawing skills and BIM



- How are your drawing skills?
 - Hand drafting with ink pens and pencils
 - Computer-aided drafting/drawing (CAD) with software e.g. AutoCAD and Microstation
 - 3D models with BIM software
- Basic knowledge:
 - Engineering Drawing
 - Construction CAD by AutoCAD



Drawing skills and BIM



- Architectural documentation
 - Drawings
 - Floor plans, sections, elevations
 - Interior elevations
 - Details, 3D views
 - Documents
 - Descriptions, calculations
 - Schedules
 - Quantity Take-offs (QTOs)
 - Cost Estimations

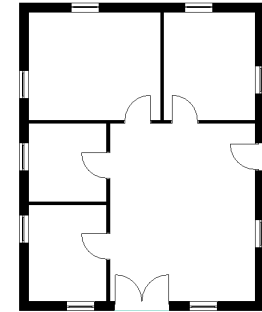


Graphical Projections

Orthographic Projections

Planar Views:

- Plan
- Sections
- Elevations



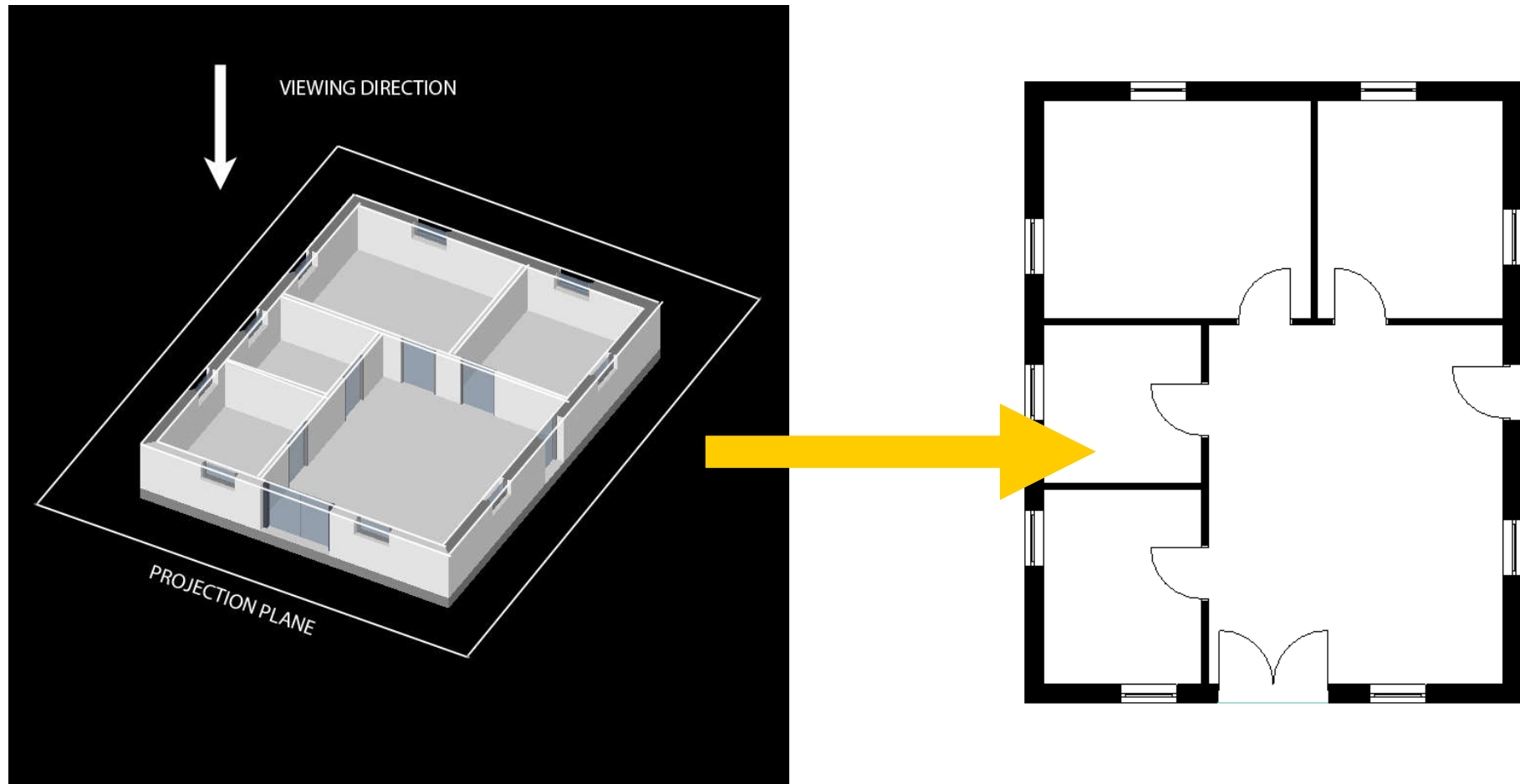
Axonometric Views



Perspective Projections



Planar Views: Floor Plans



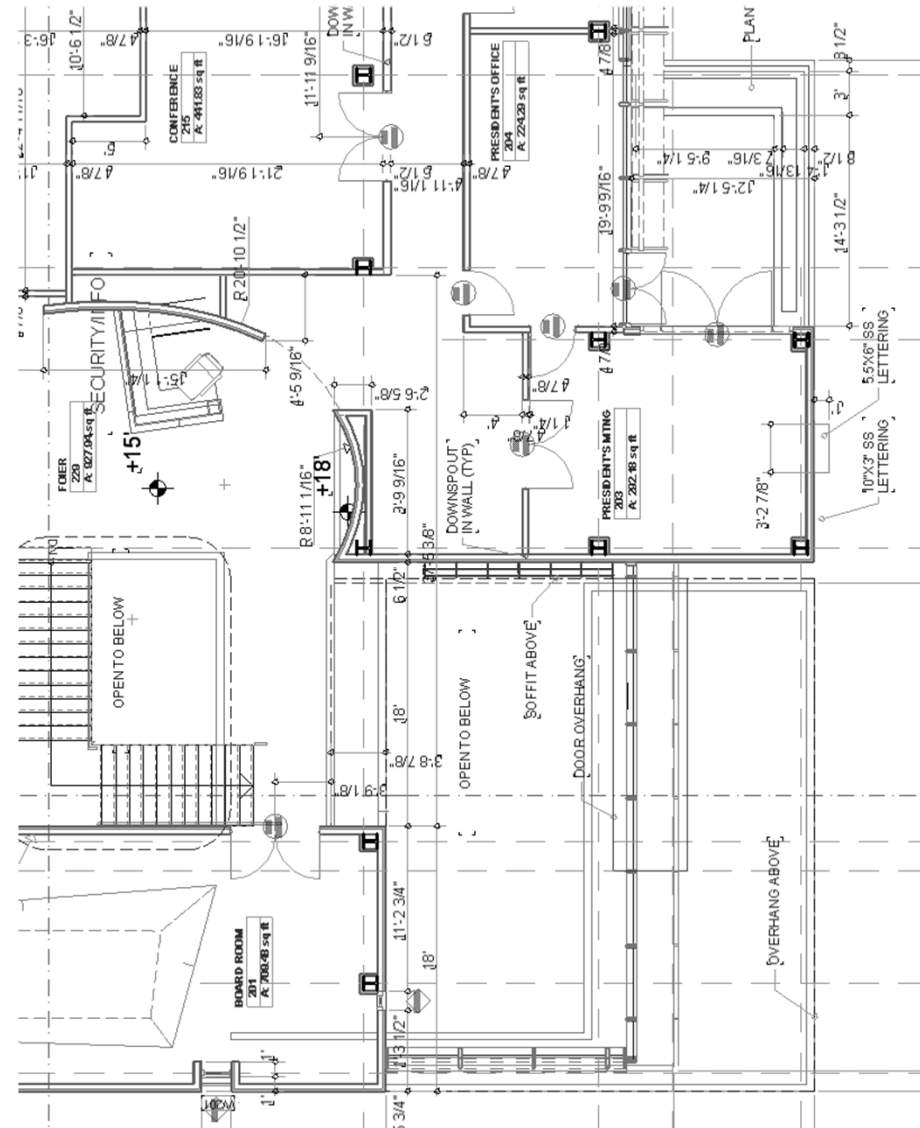
Floor Plans

Drawing Content

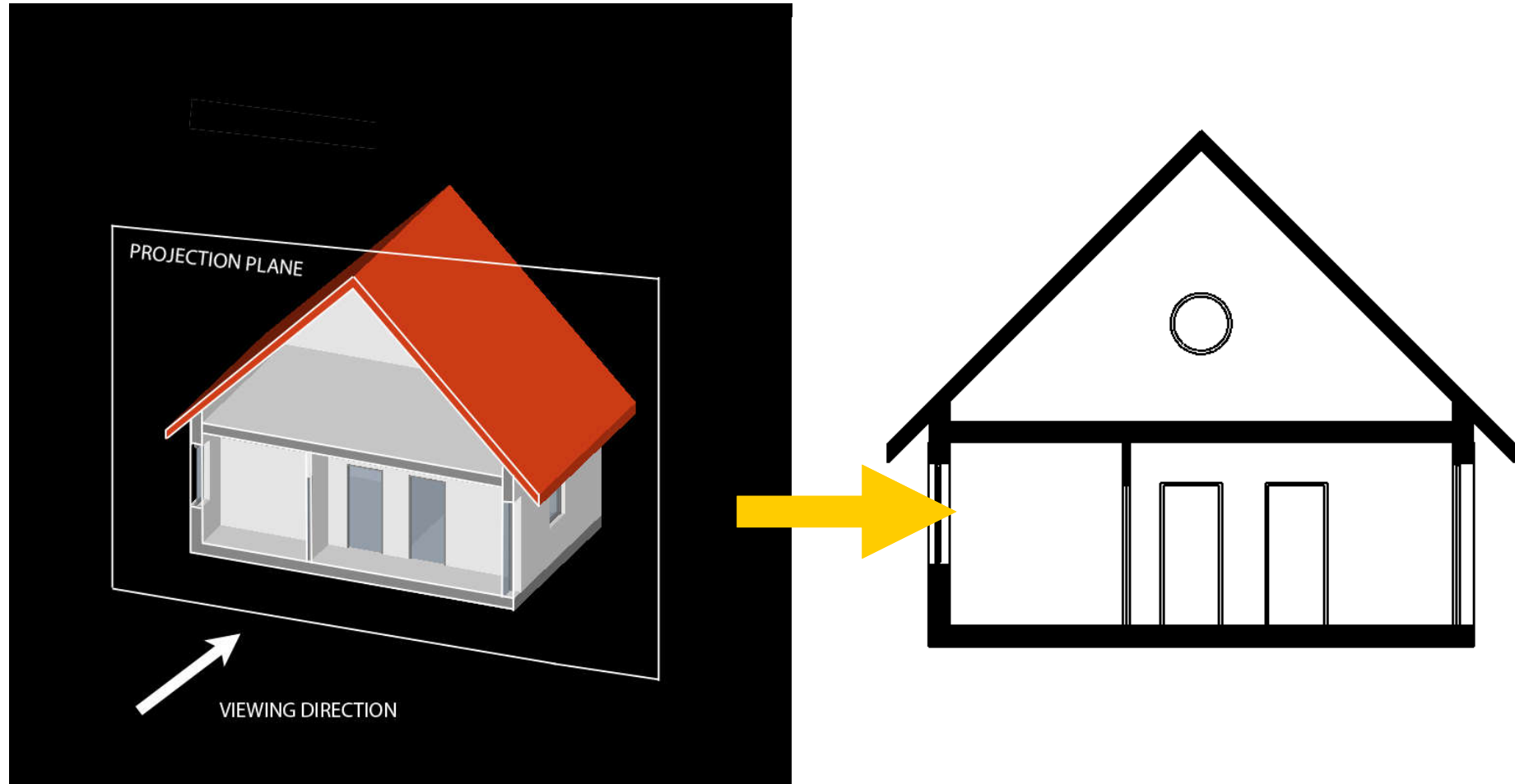
- Structural
- Elements
- Mobile & Fix furniture
- Dimensions
- Annotations
- Flooring
- Area info

Types

- Architectural
- Structural
- Electrical & Plumbing
- Furnishing
- Reflected Ceiling Plan
- Etc.



Planar Views: Sections



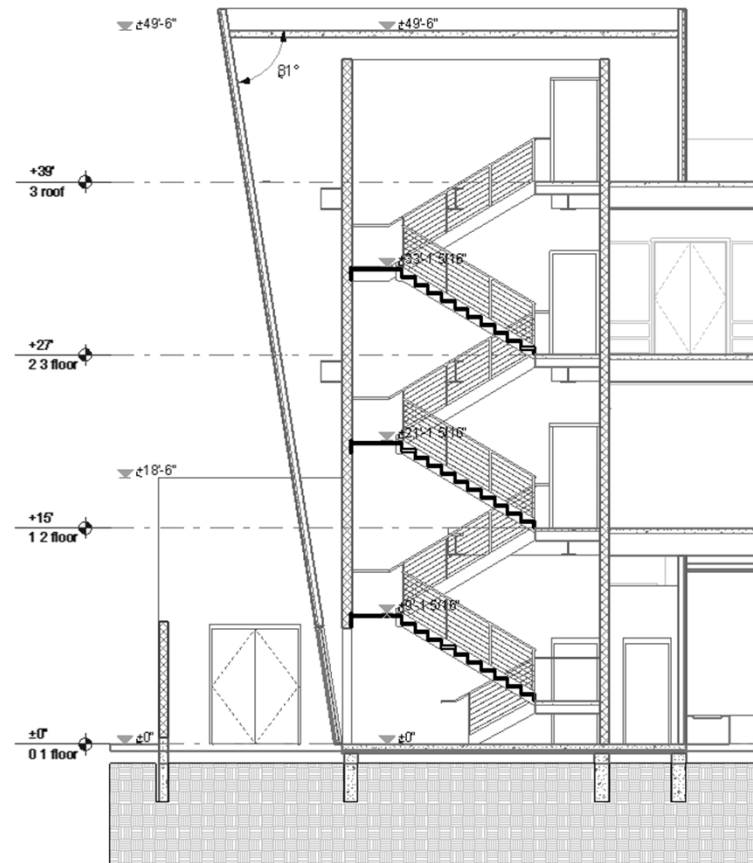
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Drawing Content

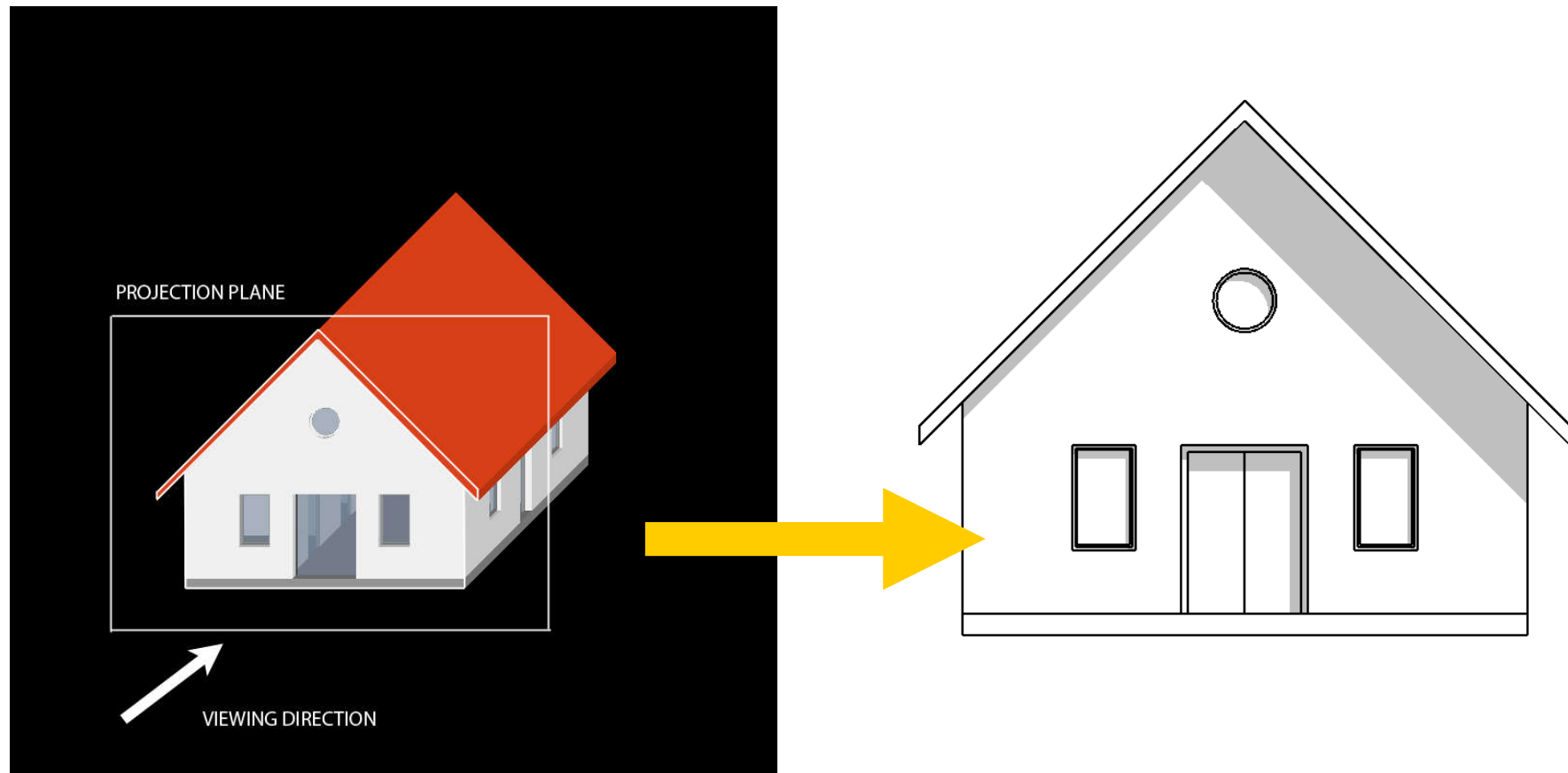
- Structural Elements
- Fix Furniture
- Dimensions
- Level Dimensions
- Annotations

Types

- Architectural
- Structural
- Electrical & Plumbing
- Etc.



Planar Views: Elevations



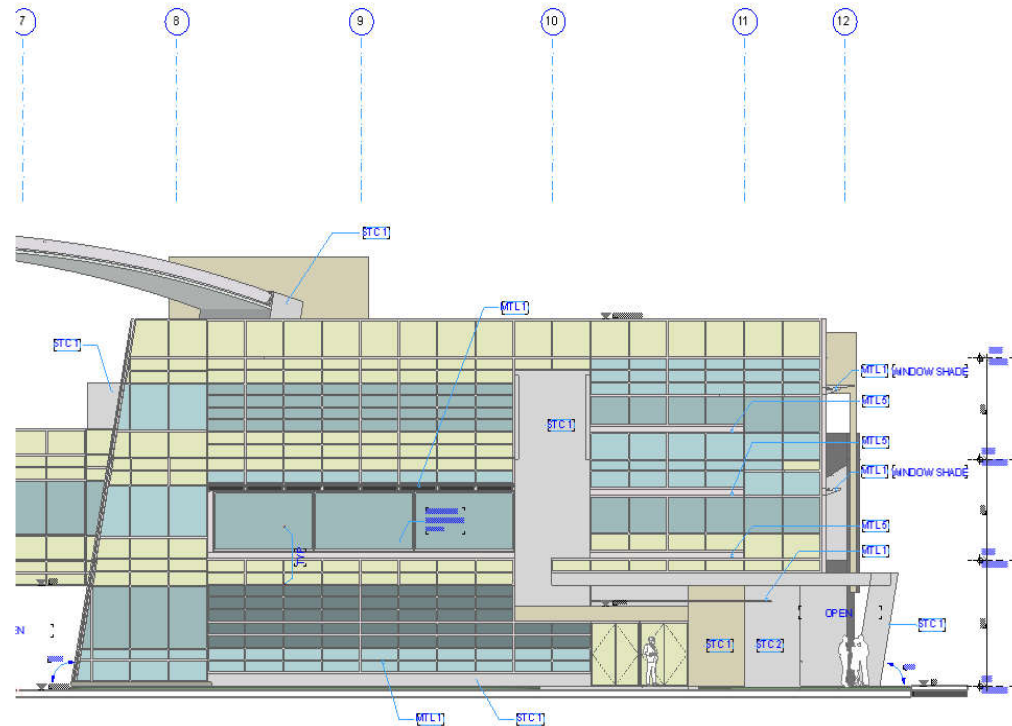
Elevations

Drawing Content

- Exterior Building Elements
- Dimensions
- Level Dimensions
- Annotations
- Material Information
- Colors, Shadows

Types

- Architectural
- Structural
- Interior Elevations
- Etc.



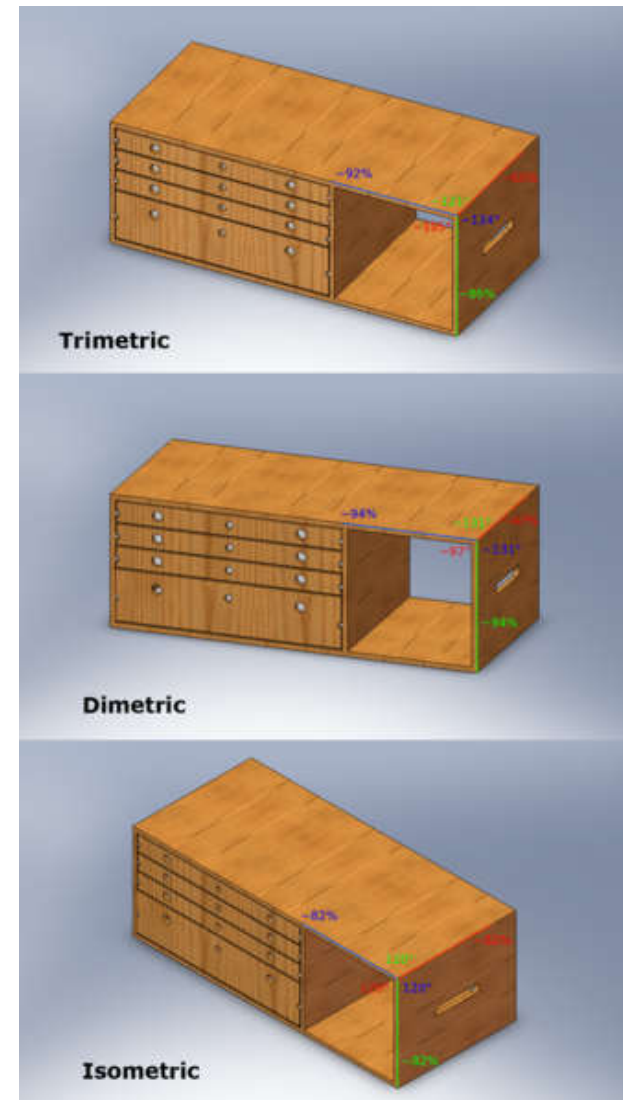
Axonometric Views

Axonometry:

“Image of an object as viewed from a skew direction in order to reveal more than one side in the same picture”

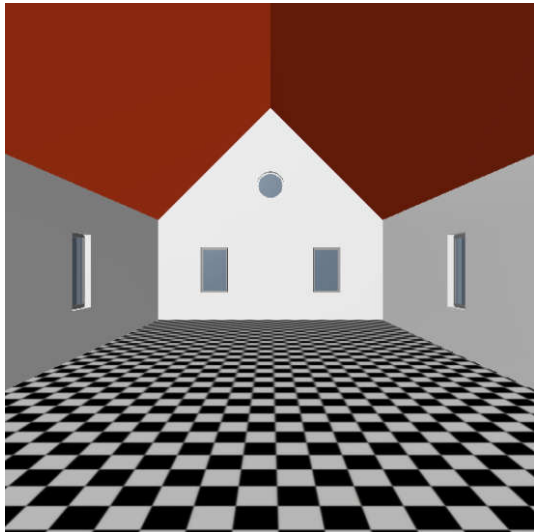
• Basic View Types

- Trimetric
- Dimetric
- Isometric



Perspective Views

- Basic Types



One-point Perspective



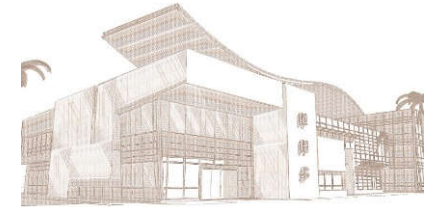
Two-point Perspective



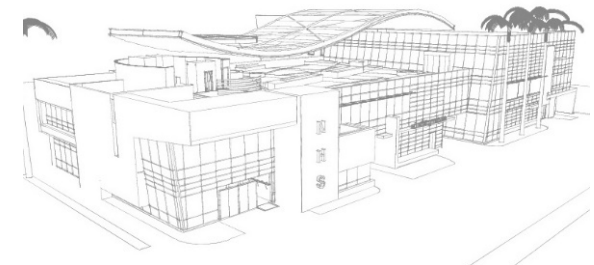
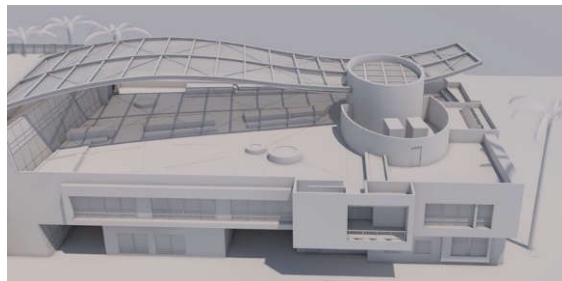
Three-point Perspective

Computer Visualization

- Photorealistic images (rendering)



Artistic images



Interactive virtual models



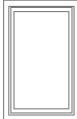
Fly through animations

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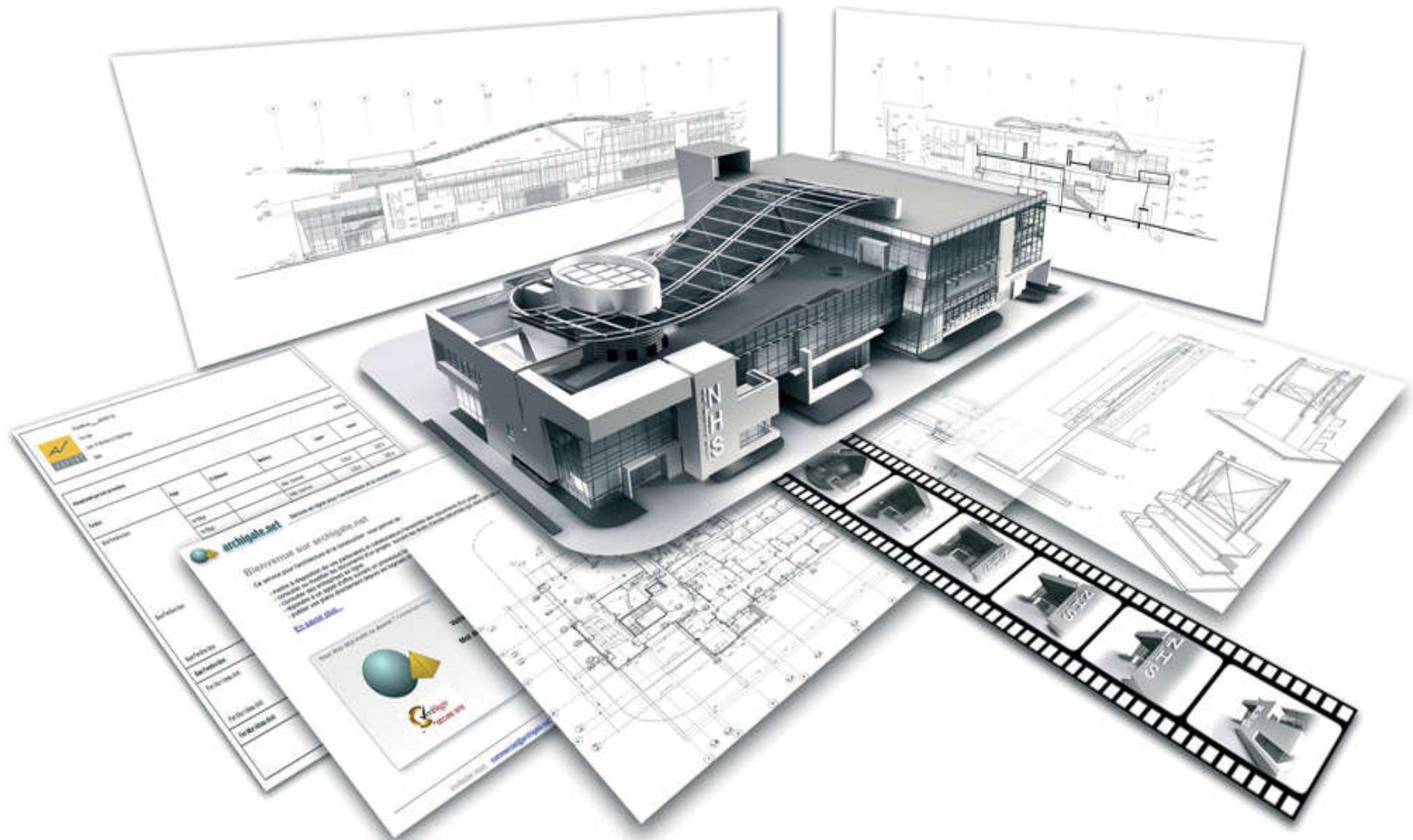
Non-graphic Documentation

- Descriptions
- Instructions
- Calculations
- Lists
- Schedules
- Quantity Take-offs
- Cost Estimations



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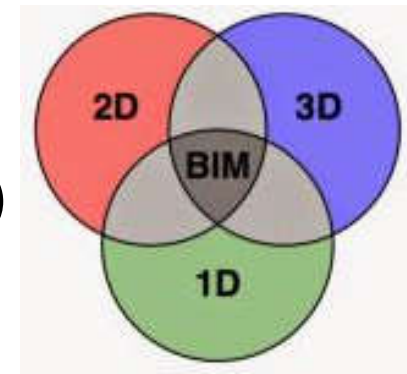
The BIM Concept





Basic concepts of BIM

- BIM:
 - Building Information Modelling
 - 建築資訊模擬 / 建築資訊模型
 - Building Information Management
- Information and Model
 - 1D: Data/Text information (non-graphical)
 - 2D: Drawings/Diagrams (graphical)
 - 3D: Modelling (geometric information, objects)
 - Object based (with attributes, parametric)

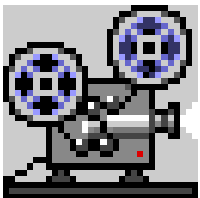
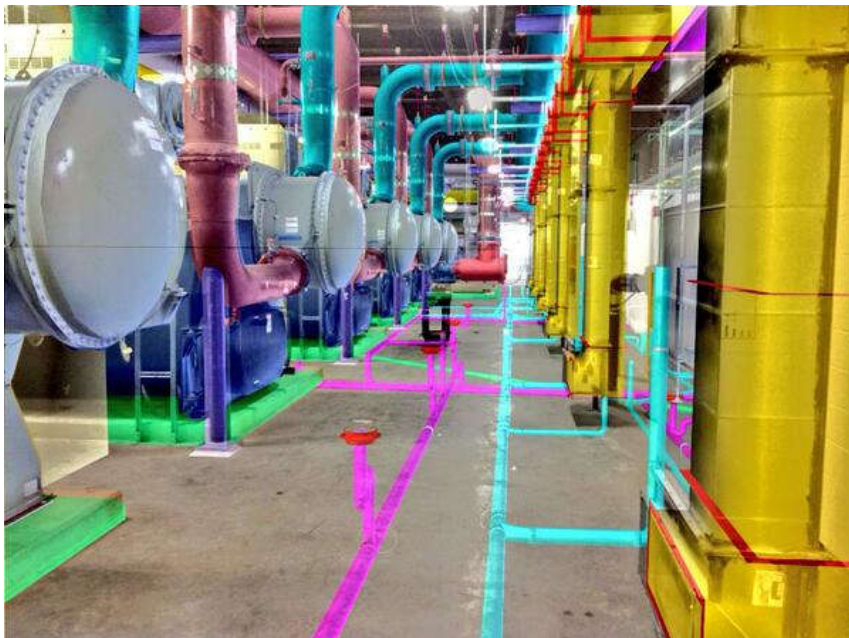




Basic concepts of BIM

- Definition of BIM (from Autodesk)
 - BIM (Building Information Modeling) is an **intelligent 3D model-based process** that gives architecture, engineering, and construction (AEC) professionals the insight and tools to more efficiently plan, design, construct, and manage buildings and infrastructure
- BIM is not about the B and the M it is about the **I = Information** is the key

BIM is an intelligent 3D model-based process



Videos: Examples of BIM applications in AEC and building services engineering

- What is BIM (Building Information Modeling)? (3:00) <https://youtu.be/suNadRnHy-U>

- Introduction: What is BIM? (2:20) <https://youtu.be/rAAGRUXNeNQ>



Basic concepts of BIM

- National BIM Standard (US): Definition of BIM
 - A Building Information Model (BIM) is a **digital** representation of physical and functional characteristics of a facility. As such it serves as a **shared knowledge** resource for information about a facility forming a reliable basis for **decisions** during its **life-cycle** from inception onward.
 - A basic premise of BIM is **collaboration** by different stakeholders at different phases of the life cycle of a facility to insert, extract, update or modify **information** in the BIM process to support and reflect the roles of that stakeholder. The BIM is a shared digital representation founded on open standards for **interoperability**.



Basic concepts of BIM

- Key concepts of BIM

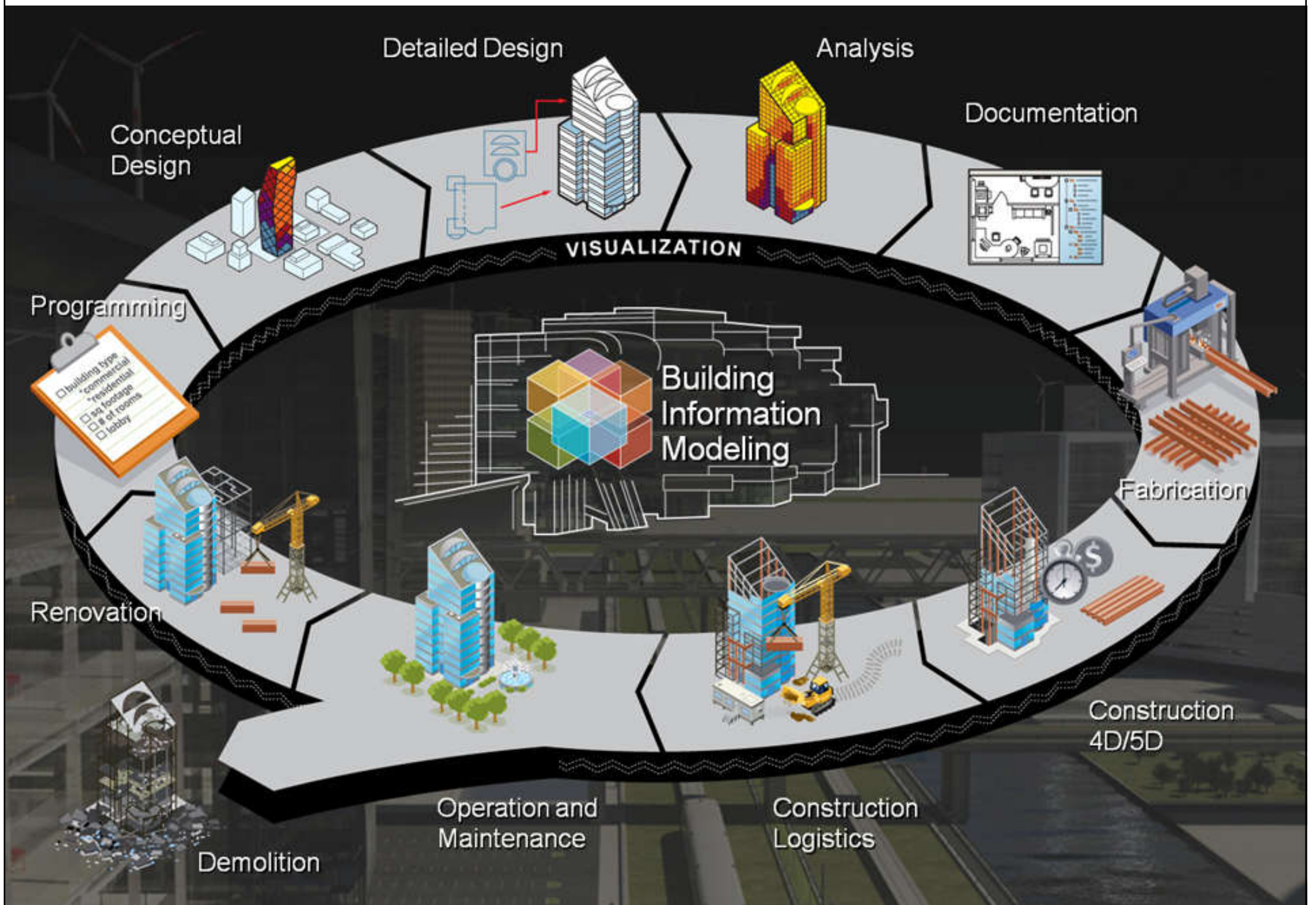


- It is a **database** – not just 3D drawings/images
- It is all about **sharing** info through a model with all disciplines (requires all parties to collaborate)
- Refers to a “**model**” but it is a “**process**” not a product (it is a way of working)
- Working in a BIM environment (a common data environment)
- Information model => collection of data
- Connects formerly disconnected silos of info

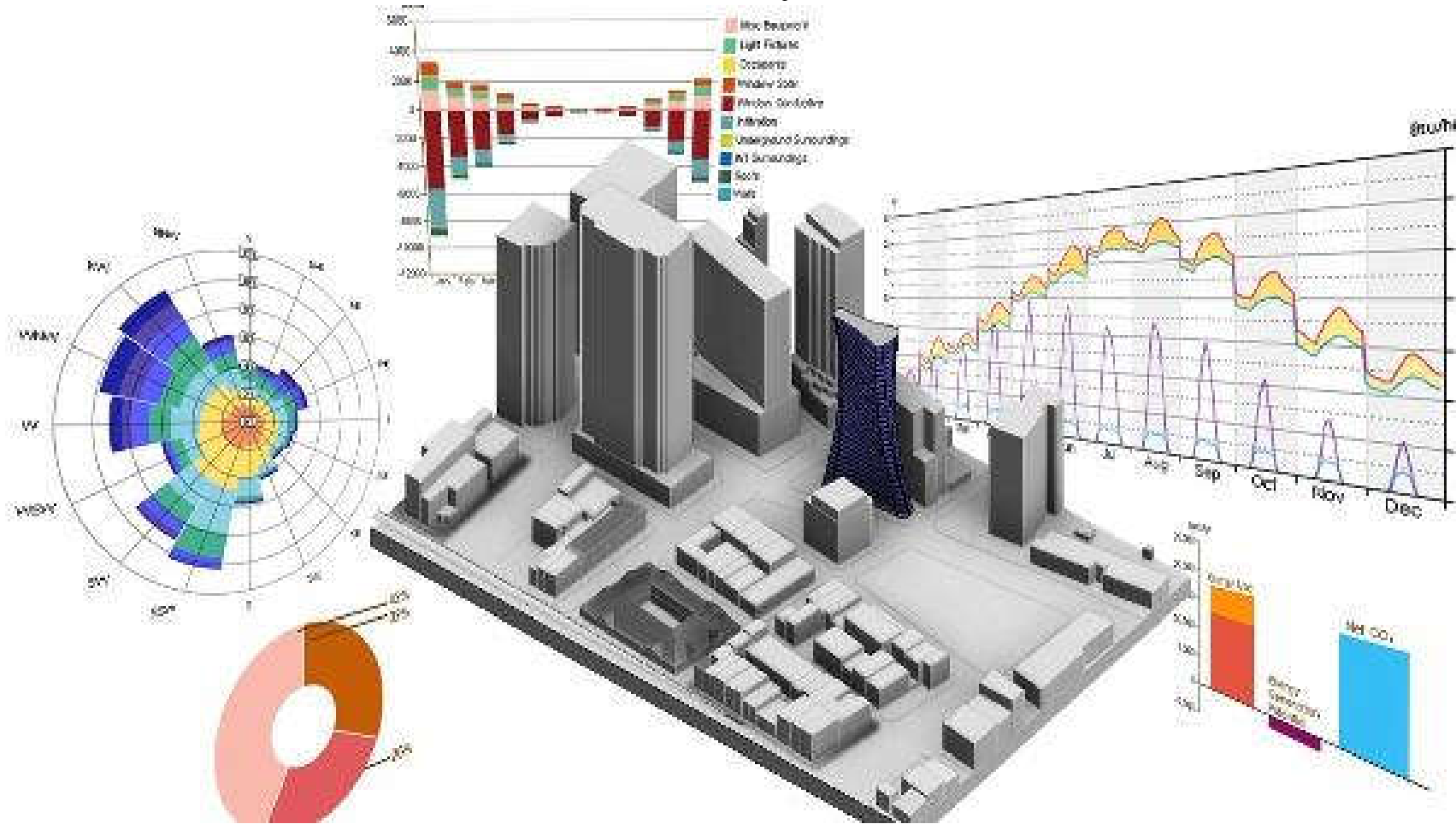


Basic concepts of BIM

- Key concepts of BIM (cont'd)
 - Information models can be used to inform all stages of a built asset's **life cycle**
 - Ultimate communication tool because it's visual
 - **Collaboration** to the Nth degree
 - Process + Tools = Power of BIM
 - Enabler for lean construction – can rely on model to help facilitate prefabrication
 - **Virtual Design & Construction (VDC)** + Analysis + Facility Information = BIM



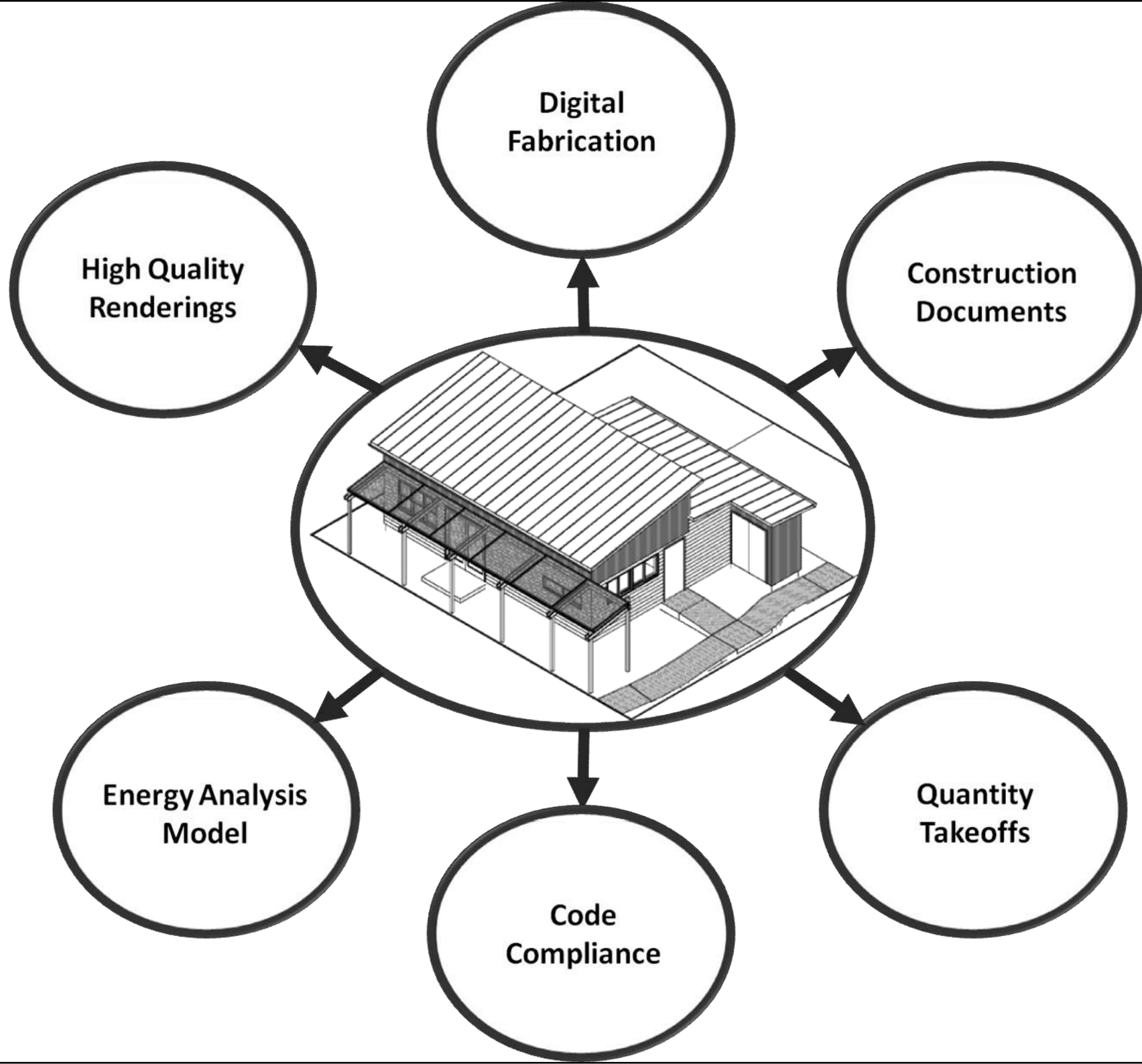
BIM Process + Analysis Tools = Power of BIM



3D Scanning



Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) / Drone





Basic concepts of BIM

- The BIM **information model** contains
 - Graphical model: Specific 3-D geometric information such as sizes, areas and volumes
 - Non-graphical data: Cost data, material and component quantities
 - Documentation: Schedule, zoning analysis, environmental performance, instructions for fabrication and construction, reports, manuals
- BIM is a digital design environment



Basic concepts of BIM

- The BIM **information model** can enable
 - Collaboration among project team members
 - Efficient sketch design
 - Simulation for sustainability, energy and environmental issues, or construction purposes
 - 2D drawing output and numeric export to spreadsheets or other hardware for scheduling or digital fabrication
 - Effective building operation, maintenance & facility management



Basic concepts of BIM

- Based on the use of the information, the BIM **information model** can be broken down into:
 - 1. Design intent model (by the designer for the designer)
 - 2. Build intent model (by the contractor for the contractor)
 - 3. Fabrication intent model (by the subcontractor for the subcontractor)
 - 4. Facility management model (by the owner for the owner)



Basic concepts of BIM

- Applications for BIM:
 - Architecture
 - Structures
 - Building Services (or MEP)
 - Construction Management, Scheduling
 - Sustainability
 - Utilities
 - Road Construction
 - Property Management

Practical uses of BIM model and information

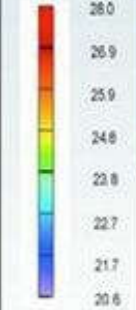
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(4) Draw & visualise



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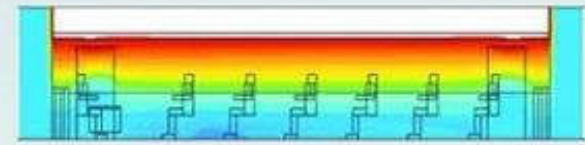


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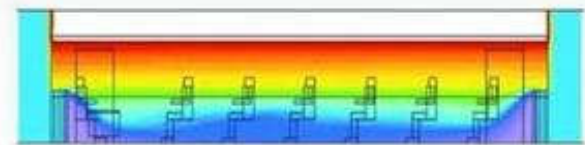
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Cross-Section at 1-1



Cross-Section at 2-2



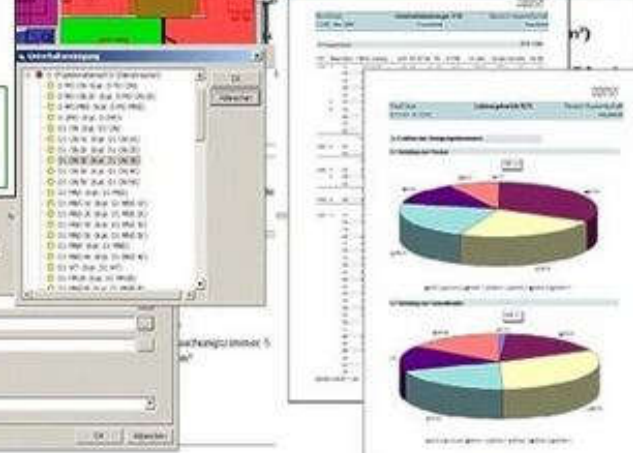
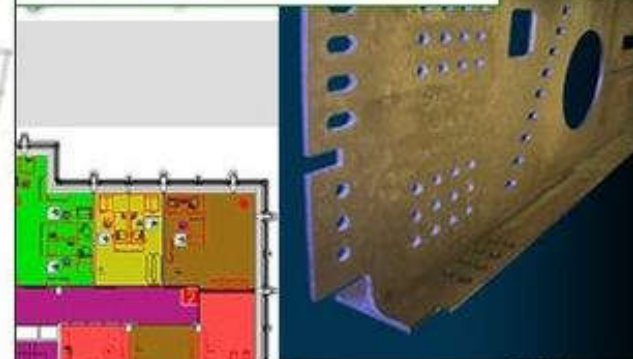
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(2) Analyse



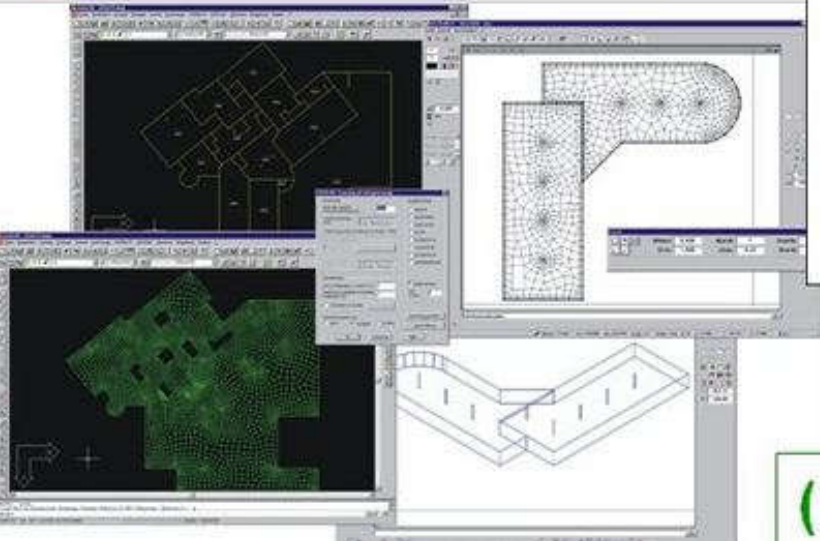
Model & manage

(5) Manufacture



(6) Operate

(1) Design



Examples of BIM use in building, construction and infrastructure

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Existing conditions modeling• Site analysis• Architectural programming• Quantities Take Off (QTO)• Cost analysis• LCC analysis• Specification production• Design authoring and briefing• Sustainability evaluation• Engineering analysis• Energy analysis• Structural analysis• Lighting analysis• Mechanical analysis• Other engineering analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Building system analysis• 3D coordination• 3D control and planning• Site utilization planning• Product library• Product selection• Perform procurement• Manufacturers information (incl. LCA)• Code compliance checking• Design reviews• Consistency control• Construction system design• Digital fabrication• Phase planning (4D modeling)• Commissioning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Record modeling• Asset management• Space management and tracking• Disaster planning / emergency preparedness• Building (preventative) maintenance• Scheduling• Security & key management• Telephone move/add/change management• Way finding• Facility management (FM) documentation• Maintenance & repair information
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Why BIM?



TO BIM
OR NOT
TO BIM?



Why BIM?

- Examine problems of construction projects
 - Owner has “clouded” vision of final deliverable
 - Inaccurate/Incomplete plans/specs
 - Trades are picked by lowest price (in most cases no “value added” assigned to competence)
 - Nobody will share info because of liability
 - Everyone wants to shove risk to someone else
 - Because the job is awarded on low price, subs need to make up money on change orders



Why BIM?

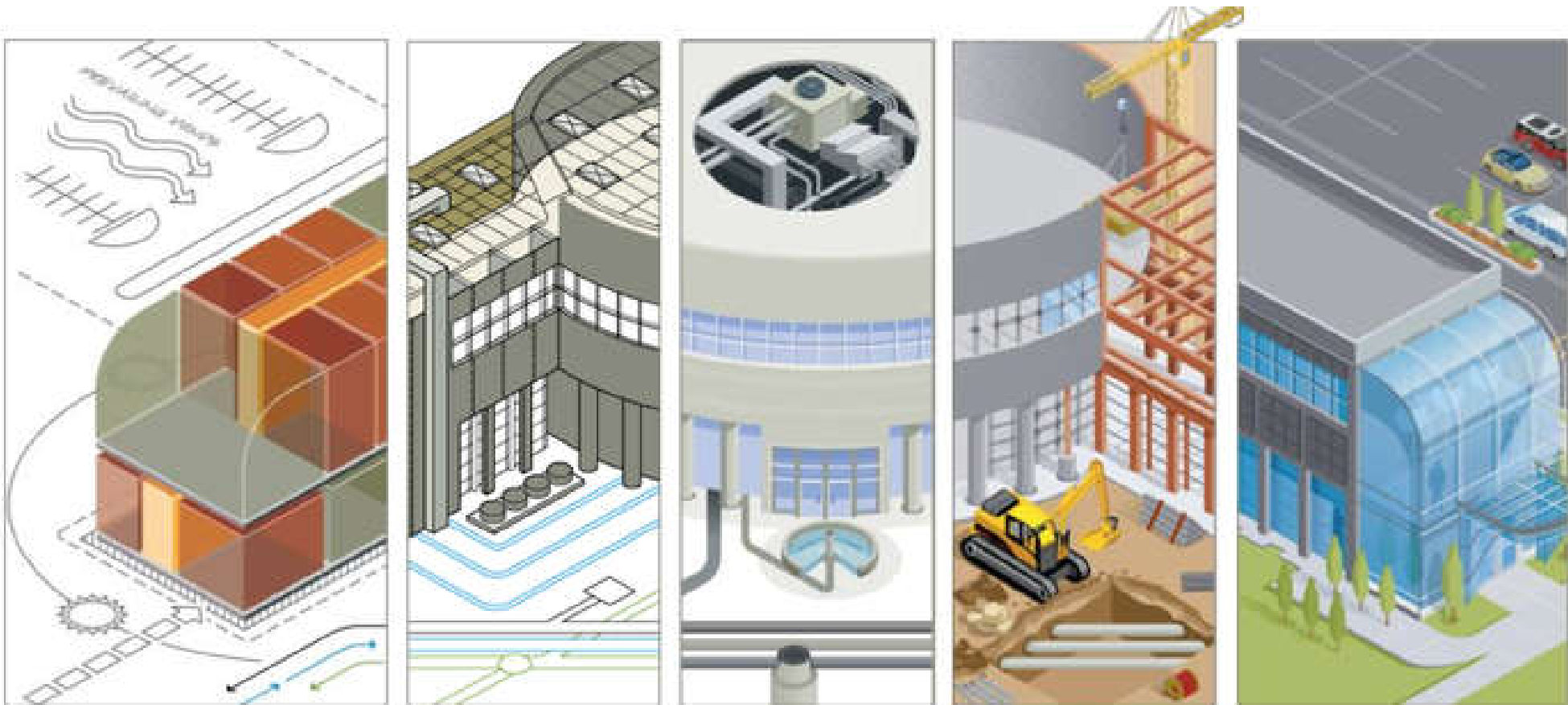
- Biggest BIM adoption hurdles:
 - Lack of BIM expertise
 - Lack of industry standards
- Greatest BIM benefits:
 - Improved communication
 - Improved collaboration
 - Higher quality project decision making
 - More comprehensive planning and scheduling



Benefits of BIM



Use of BIM throughout building project development cycle



Conceptualization

- Collaborative processes
- Key stakeholders contribute expertise
- Improved decision-making and quality

Design

Implementation

Docs

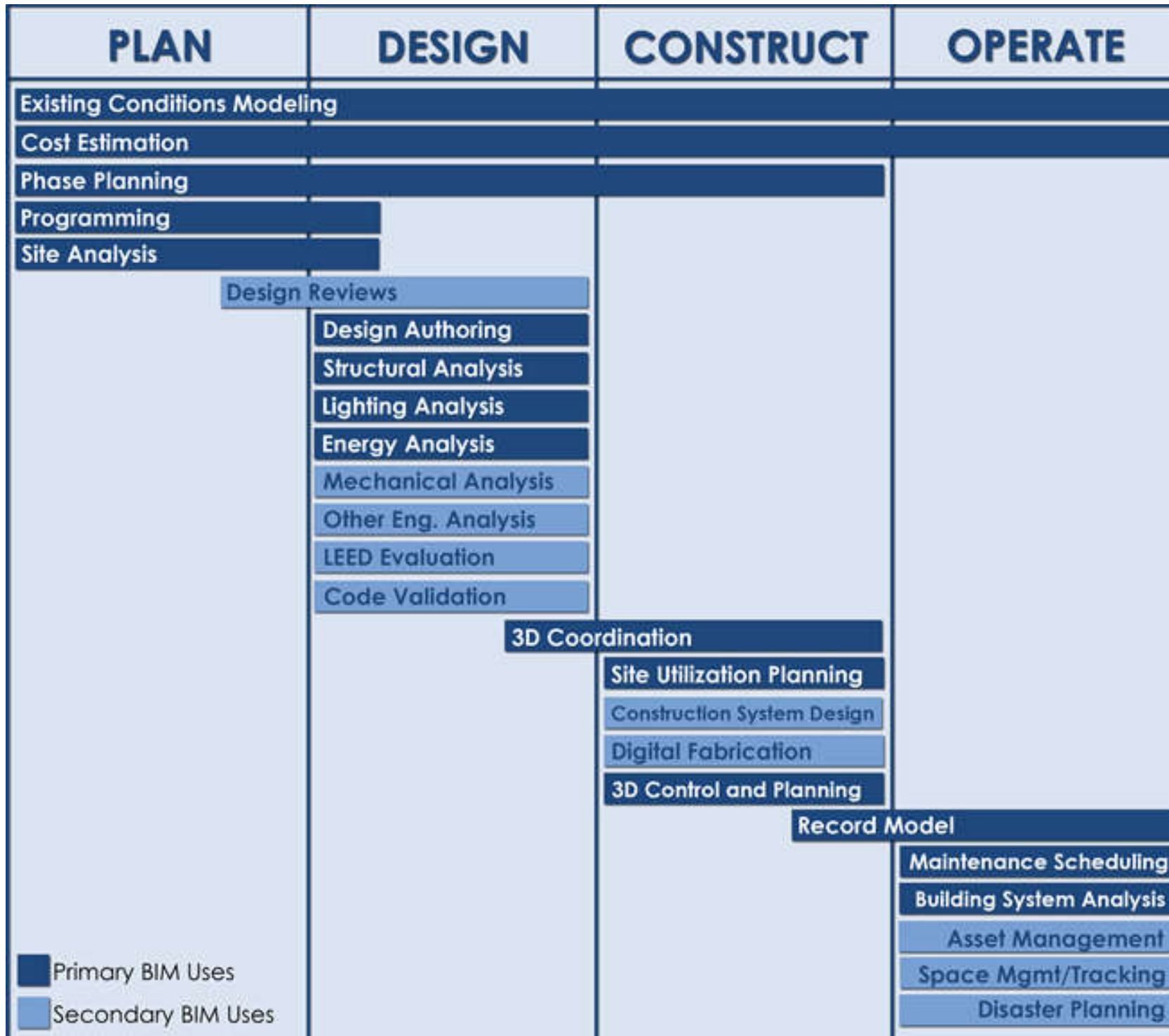
- Controlled by precise design model
- Improved coordination and documentation

Construction

Own/Operate

- Early planning = efficient material use, less waste
- Change orders are minimized
- Construction: on schedule/budget

Primary and secondary BIM uses in building process





Why BIM?

- BIM creates efficiency and business benefits
 - Reduce rework
 - Improve productivity
 - Reduce conflicts and changes during construction
 - Clash detection and avoiding rework
 - Promote new BIM-related services
 - Reduce errors and omissions in construction documents



Why BIM?

- BIM provides a single, intelligent model to coordinate the following information:
 - Construction documentation
 - Visualisation (design and construction)
 - Material and equipment quantities
 - Cost estimates
 - 4-D construction sequencing and reporting
 - Scheduling
 - Fabrication data and toolpaths



Why BIM?

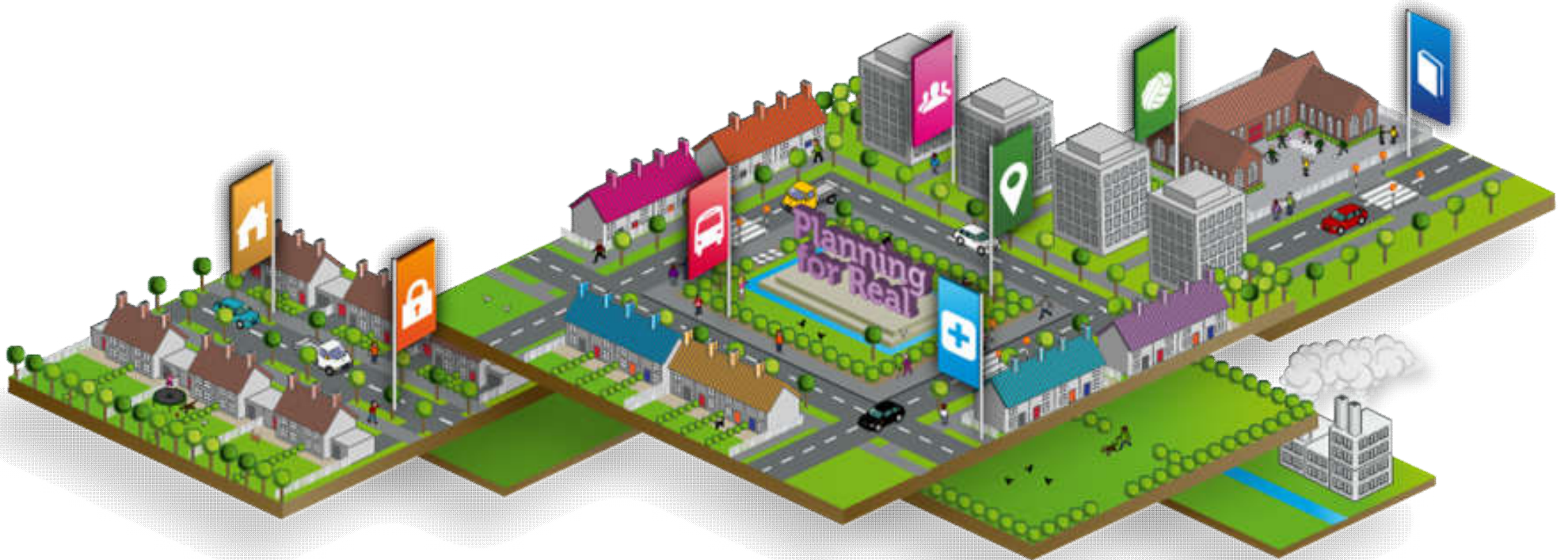
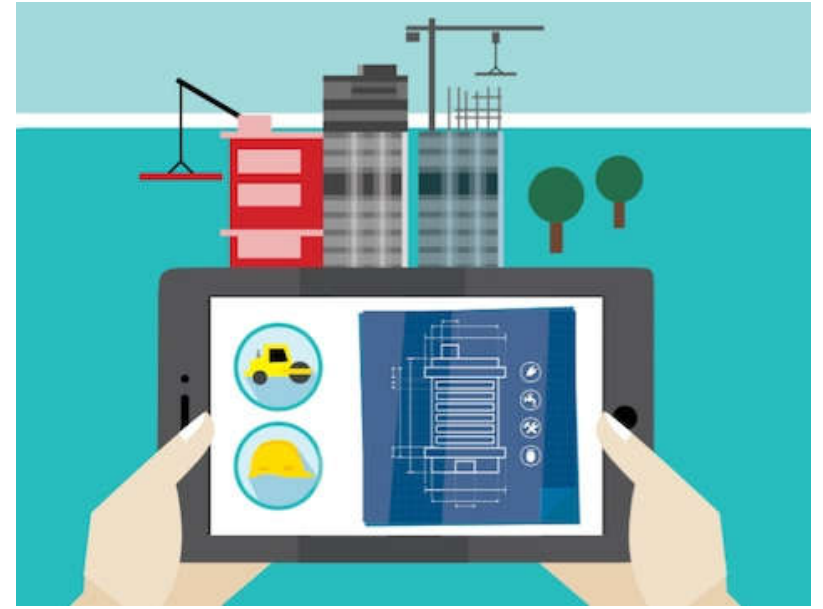
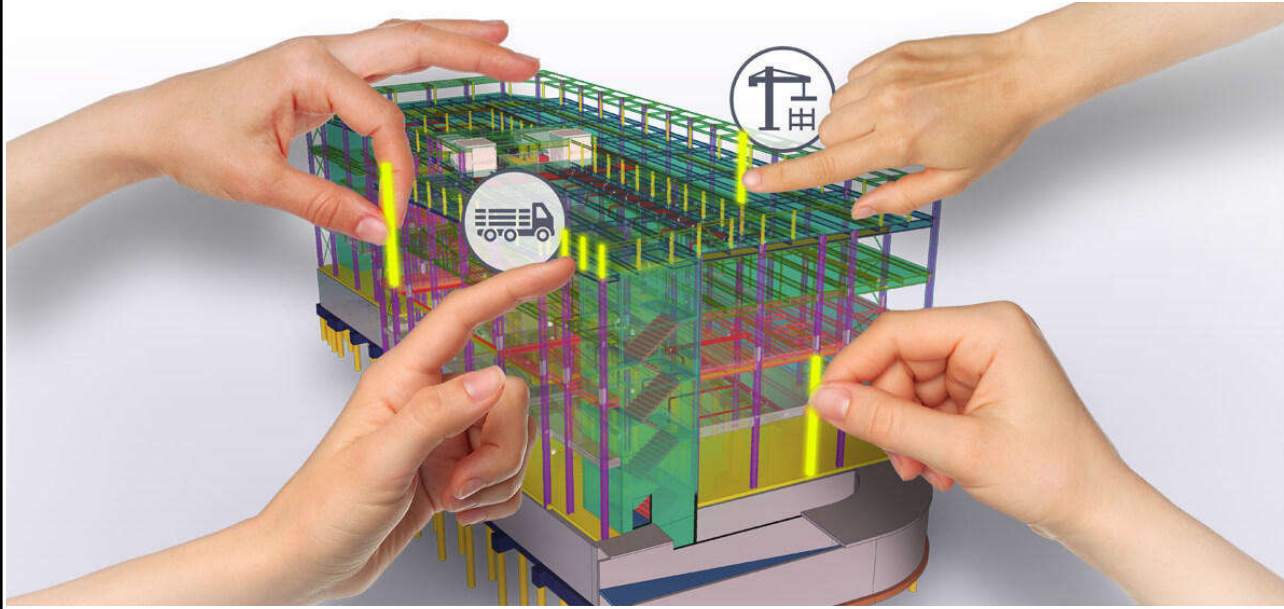
- By adopting an information-modelling platform, building designers can:
 - Visualise multiple design organisations
 - Simulate alternatives
 - Identify clashes between building equipment
 - Communicate design intent three-dimensionally
 - Improve productivity
- BIM will ultimately replace the CAD tools with an integrated, parametric database



Why BIM?

- Digital design environment/tools
 - Bring about process change & paradigm shift
 - Simulate the design virtually (like a “*rehearsal*”)
 - Attributes such as cost data and construction sequence can be input
- BIM & virtual design and construction (VDC)
 - Management of integrated multi-disciplinary performance models of design-construction projects

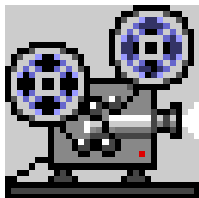
Virtual design and construction (like playing computer games)





Why BIM?

- Virtual design and construction (VDC)
 - An overall framework for conceiving and designing projects using multidisciplinary computer-generated models that illustrate and analyze the entire life cycle of the project, including the design and construction processes, schedule, logistics and cost
 - Virtual Design and Construction (VDC) at Parsons Brinckerhoff (2:21) <https://youtu.be/KmRu1rRPRis>
 - Virtual Design and Construction (VDC) overview (2:40) https://youtu.be/Y6qJ_KG6Jwo





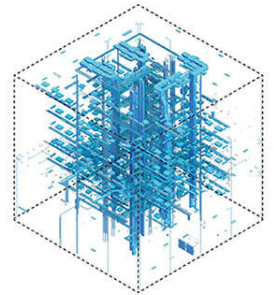
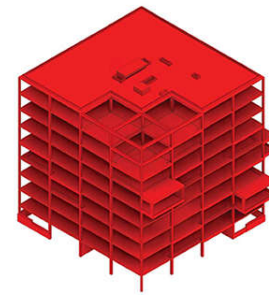
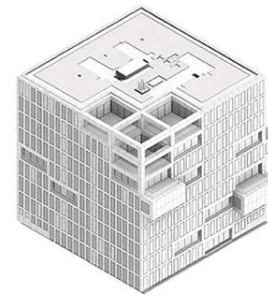
Why BIM?

- Elements of **virtual design and construction (VDC)**
 - 1. Engineering modelling methods
 - Product, organization, process
 - 2. Analysis methods (model-based design)
 - Including quantities, schedule, cost, 4D interactions and process risks (i.e. BIM tools)
 - 3. Visualization methods (graphics, movies, virtual reality)
 - 4. Business metrics - within business analytics - and a focus on strategic management
 - 5. Economic impact analysis, i.e., models of both the cost and value of capital investments

BIM elements and standards



- Typical elements:
 - Architecture, MEP (Building Services), Structure
- Information:
 - Model based documentation
 - Calculations and analyses
- Collaboration
 - External, internal, teamwork
- BIM Standards, e.g. in UK and USA



BIM - Real Architectural Elements

Drawing representation

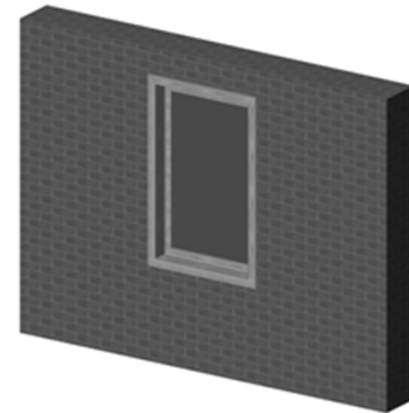
- Floor plan, section and elevation views
- Adjustable contours, fills, backgrounds
- Scale sensitivity

Model representation

- 3D shapes connected to drawing element
- Surface color and texture

Non-graphical information

- Material descriptions
- Quantities, volumes
- Cost



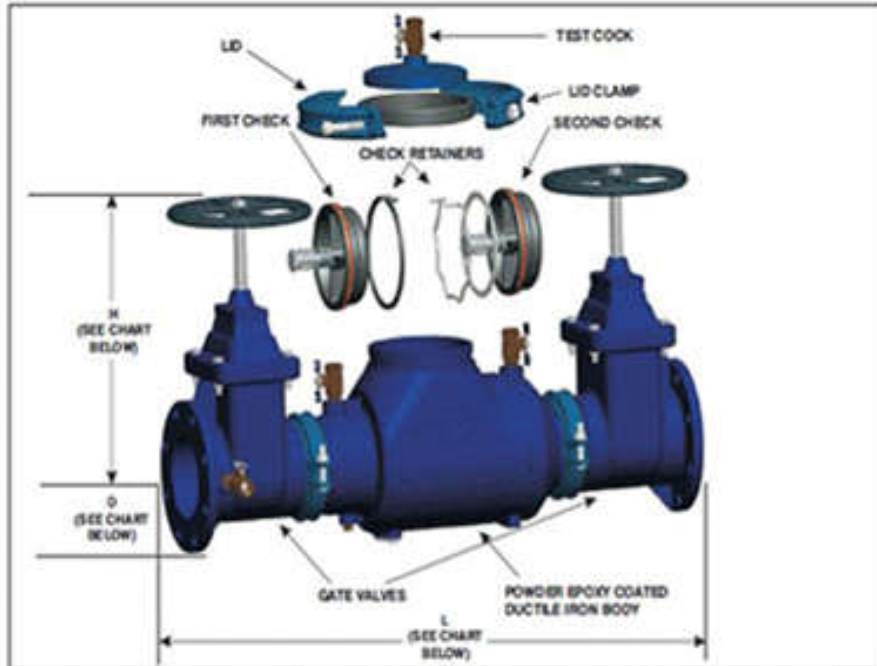
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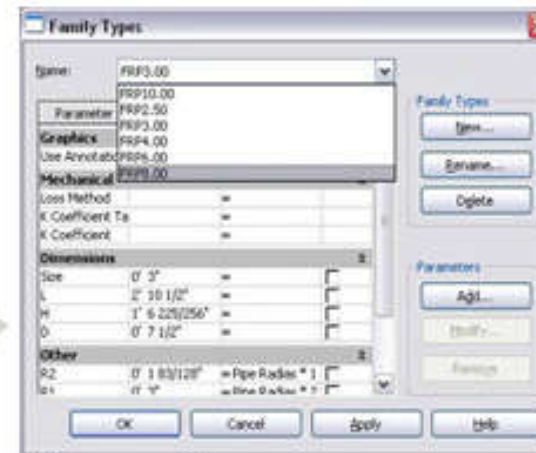
Example of MEP (Building Services) elements: A valve

INPUT

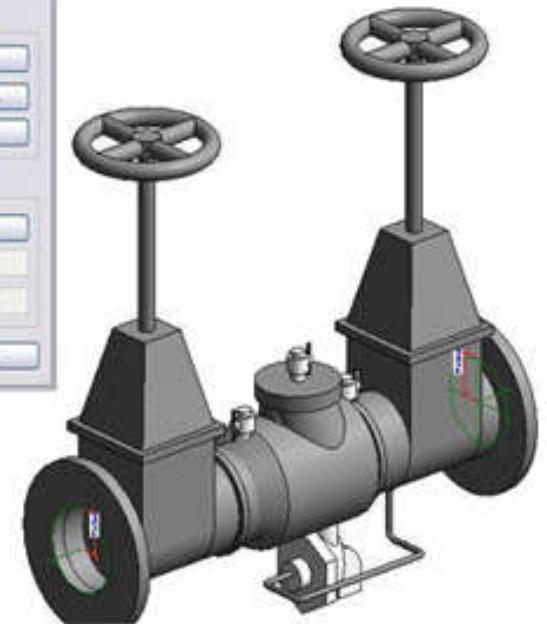


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FDC3.00	3"	34.5	21.88	18.88	7.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Outside Stem and Yoke Gate Valve	-OSY
FDC4.00	4"	40.8	25.63	21.60	9	<input type="checkbox"/> Meets Buy America and Pennsylvania Steel Act	-BA
FDC6.00	6"	43.8	35.13	29.13	11	<input type="checkbox"/> Strainer attached	-S
FDC8.00	8"	56.5	44.63	36.60	13.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Double Check Detector Assembly	-DCDA
FDC10.00	10"	59.5	54.5	44.5	16	<input type="checkbox"/> Grooved Flange Connection	-G
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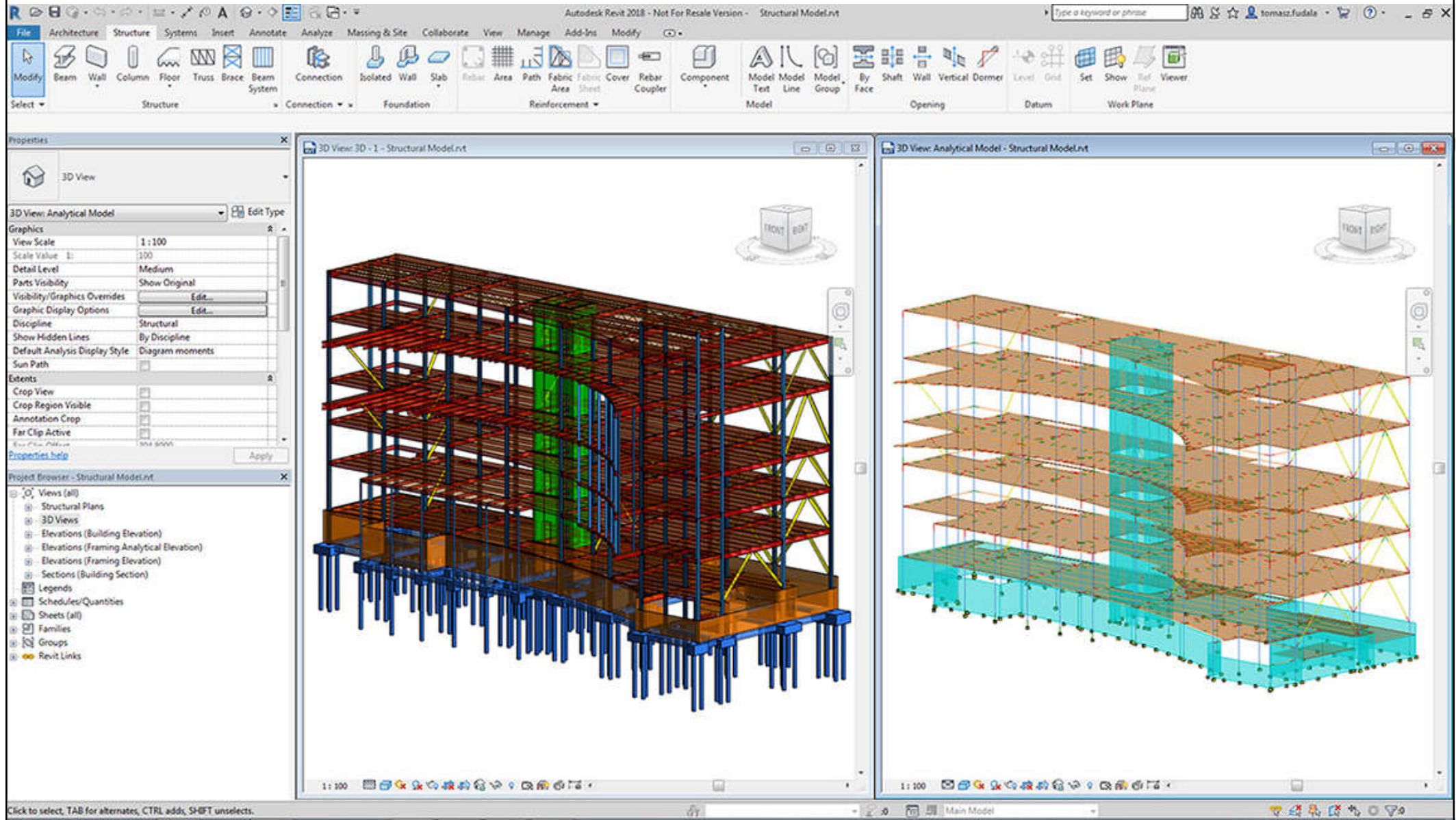
OUTPUT



Ws (6)
 Top Plans
 Ref. Level
 Ring Plans
 Ref. Level
 Views
 View 1
 (3D)
 Sections (Elevation 1)
 Back
 Front
 Left

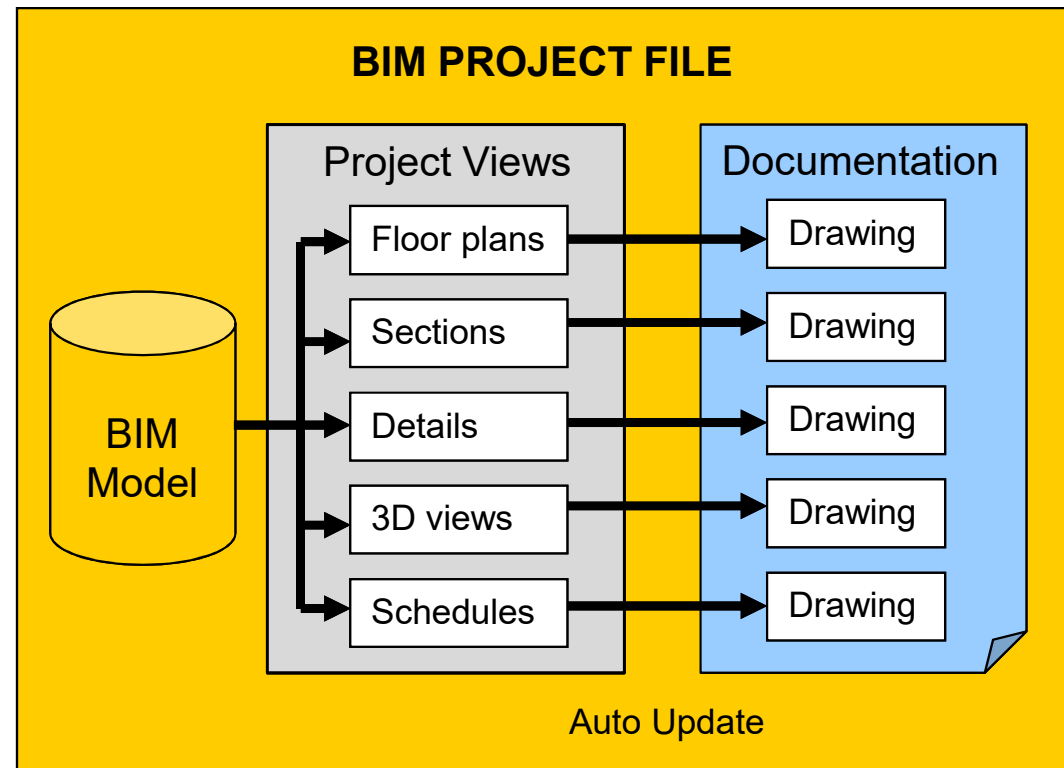


BIM structure elements and structural analysis



BIM - Model Based Documentation

- Coherence between model and drawing
- All drawings derived from the model
- Model coordinates drawings
- Scale sensitive elements
- The complete project lifecycle can be controlled from a single file
- Rich 3D visualization content



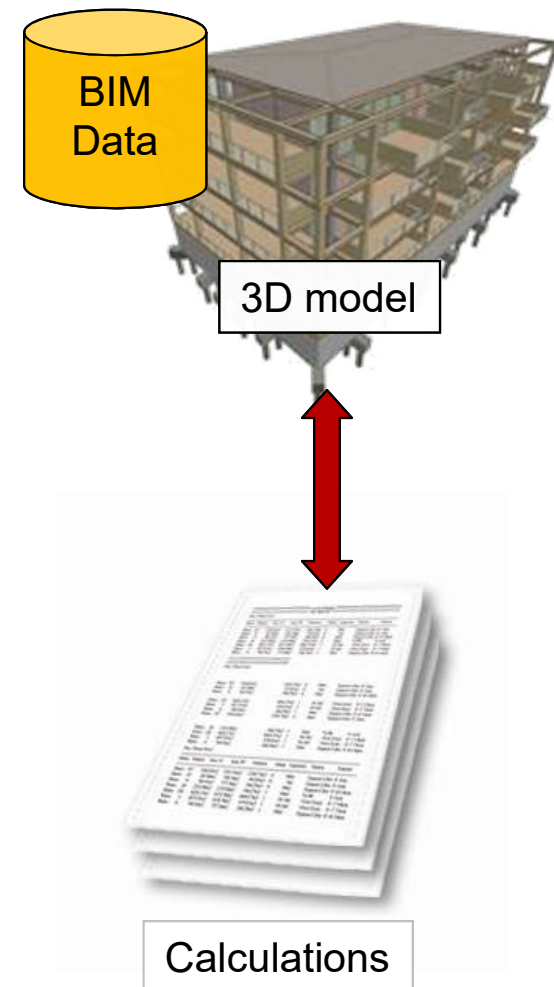
BIM - Calculation

Additional information attached to a model

- Quantity
- Materials
- Descriptions
 - Product details
 - Construction details
 - Safety details
- Cost

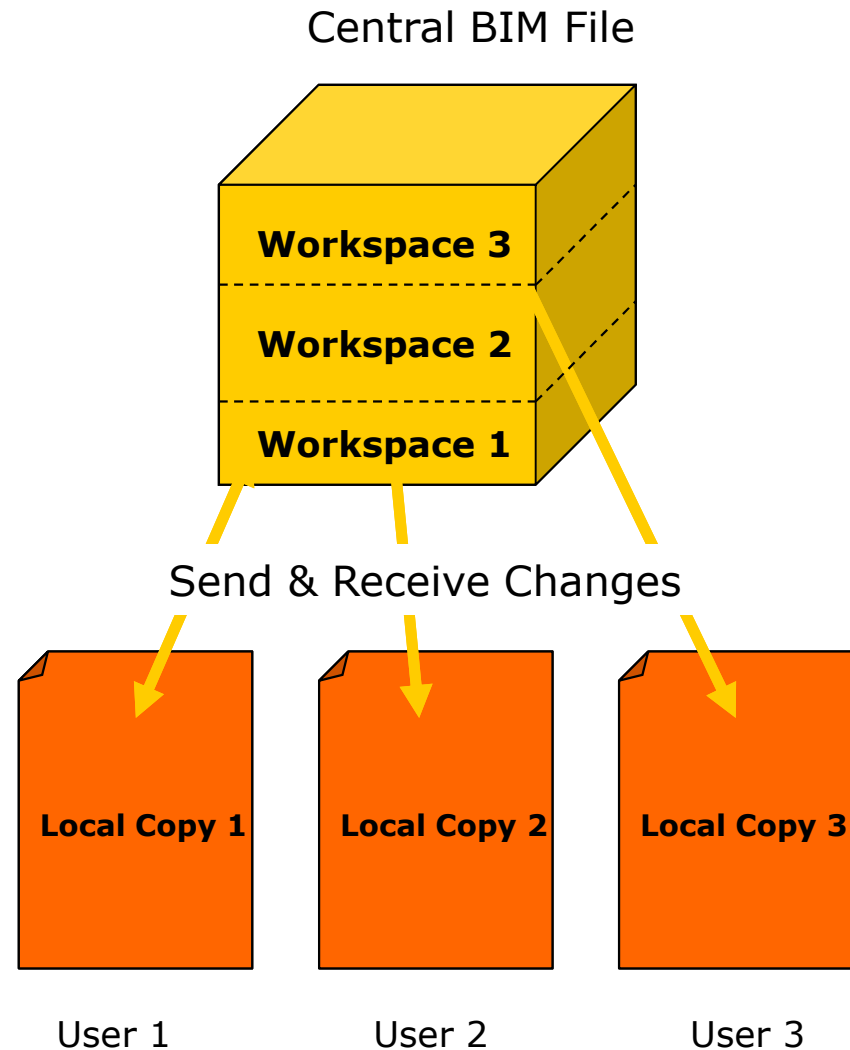
Instant Calculation

- Quantity takeoffs
- Room Inventories
- Door & Window schedules



BIM – Teamwork & Collaboration

- Teamwork solutions in BIM applications are usually based on the following concept:
 - Central file contains the complete virtual building database
 - Team members work on local copies of the project
 - Team members have dedicated workspaces
 - Team members send and receive changes between the server and their local project copies



BIM - AEC CAD standards

- BS 1192 (British Standards) widely used in the UK
- AIA CAD Layer Guidelines is widespread in the U.S.
- Uniformat is a U.S. standard for the organization of building elements
- ISO 13567 International standard, common in Northern Europe

		1	A-FURN
		1	A-GLAZ-FULL
		1	A-LITE
		1	A-MARK-DETL
		1	A-MARK-ELEV
		1	A-MARK-SECT
		1	A-NPLT
		1	A-NPLT-HTSP
		1	A-NPLT-SEO
		1	A-PICT
		1	A-ROOF
		1	A-WALL-EXTR
		1	A-WALL-INTR
		1	C-TOPO
		1	C-TOPO-02FT
		1	C-TOPO-10FT
		1	C-TOPO-TEXT
		1	E-POWR

U.S. National CAD Standard (NCS) - layer name format

Discipline		Major Group			Minor Group			Minor Group			Status							
A	I	-	W	A	L	L	-	F	U	L	L	-	D	I	M	S	-	N

AEC (UK) CAD Standard - layer name format

Role	Classification			Presentation	Description				View					
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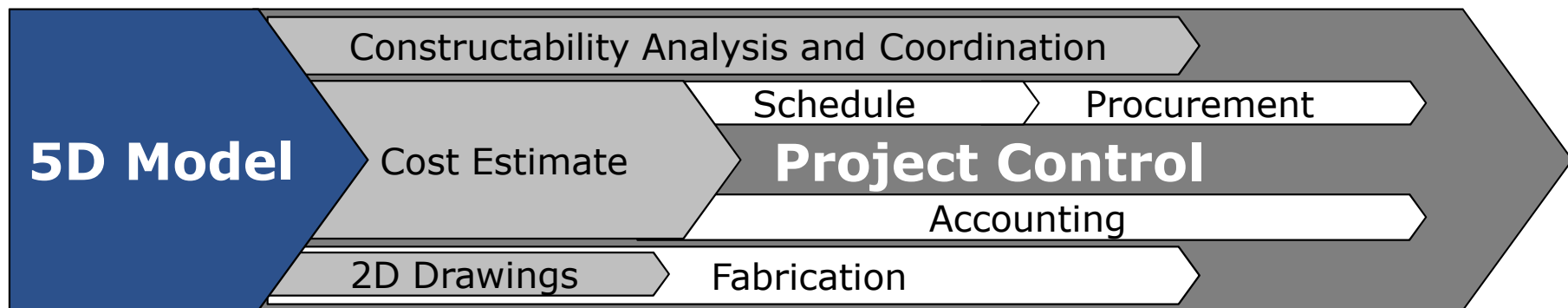
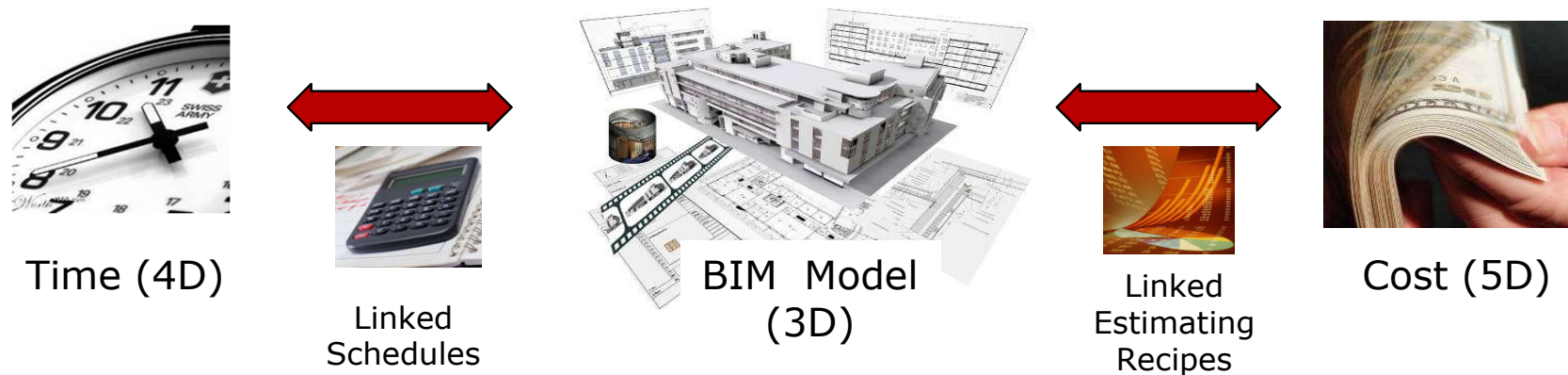
BIM elements and standards



- Common protocols and standards:
 - PAS 1192-2 Specification for information management for the capital/delivery phase of construction projects using Building Information Modelling
 - PAS 1192-3 Specification for information management for the operational phase of construction projects using building information modelling
 - Industry Foundation Classes (IFC)
 - COBie (Construction Operations Building Information Exchange)

Virtual Construction

- Construction industry is moving towards automated solutions. Adding time and cost information to the 3D model results the virtual construction model.



BIM dimensions

3D

- Existing Conditions Models
 - Laser scanning
 - Ground Penetration Radar (GPR) conversions
- Safety & Logistics Models
- Animations, renderings, walkthroughs
- BIM driven prefabrication
- Laser accurate BIM driven field layout

4D

SCHEDULING

- Project Phasing Simulations
- Lean Scheduling
 - Last Planner
 - Just In Time (JIT) Equipment Deliveries
 - Detailed Simulation Installation
- Visual Validation for Payment Approval

5D

ESTIMATING

- Real time conceptual modeling and cost planning (DProfiler)
- Quantity extraction to support detailed cost estimates
- Trade Verifications from Fabrication Models
 - Structural Steel
 - Rebar
 - Mechanical/Plumbing
 - Electrical
- Value Engineering
 - What-if scenarios
 - Visualizations
 - Quantity Extractions
- Prefabrication Solutions
 - Equipment rooms
 - MEP systems
 - Multi-Trade Prefabrication
 - Unique architectural and structural elements

6D

SUSTAINABILITY

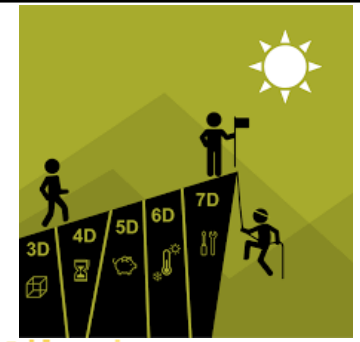
- Conceptual energy analysis via DProfiler
- Detailed energy analysis via EcoTech
- Sustainable element tracking
- LEED tracking

7D

FACILITY MANAGEMENT APPLICATIONS

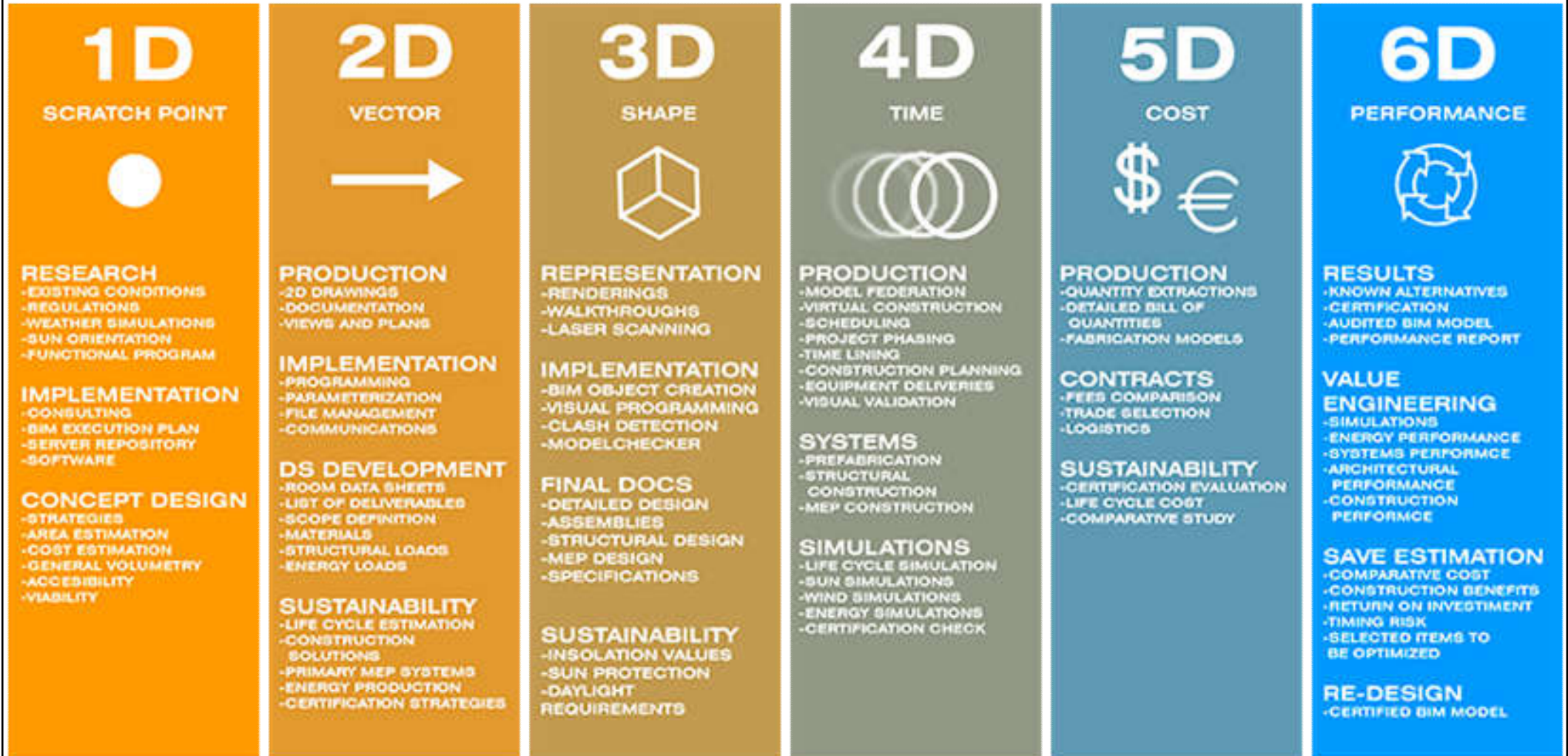
- Life Cycle BIM Strategies
- BIM As-Built
- BIM embedded O&M manuals
- COBie data population and extraction
- BIM Maintenance Plans and Technical Support
- BIM file hosting on Lend Lease's Digital Exchange System

BIM dimensions



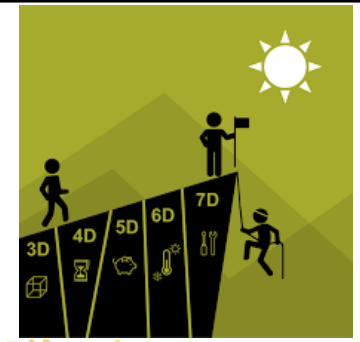
- Very broadly, building information includes:
 - 2D
 - 3D
 - 4D (including time / programme information)
 - 5D (including cost information)
 - 6D (including facilities management information)
- Parametric software modelling is used
- The common data environment (CDE) is the single source of information for the project

BIM dimensions: 1D to 6D



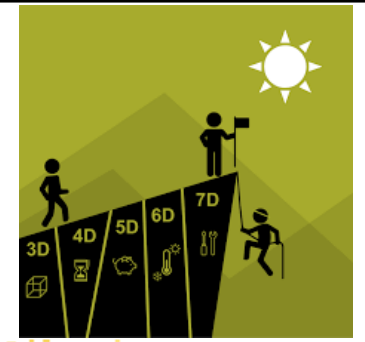
Note: the 6D is sometimes associated with Facility Management activity or Sustainability.

BIM dimensions



- **3D + Time = 4D Schedule**
 - Better communication for construction sequencing
 - Better site planning & logistics
 - Better analysis for project management
 - Uncovers flawed logic in the schedule from visual
- **4D + Quantity + Cost = 5D**
 - QTO – Quantity Take Off (in minutes), estimation
 - Spot the difference – track changing variables
 - Auto search & dynamic document of record

BIM dimensions



- **5D + Facility Information = 6D**
 - As-builts are delivered as a Model
 - O&M data – Technical product info – Warranty info – Maintenance schedule/history – All exist in the Model
 - Space utilization tool – Simplify remodels – lease and rental analysis tools
- **7D? or nD? = Sustainability, Safety**

6D

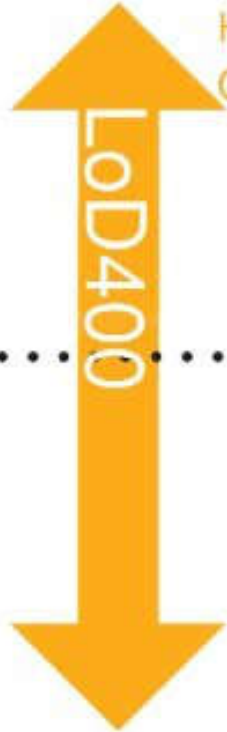
+LIFE CYCLE



LIFE CYCLE READY
GREAT MODEL DETAIL
COMPLETE PARAMETERS

5D

+COST



HIGHEST LEVEL OF MODEL DETAIL
CONSTRUCTION PARAMETERS



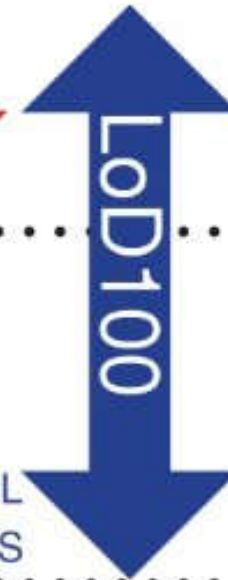
GREAT MODEL DETAIL
CONSTRUCTION PARAMETERS

4D

+TIME



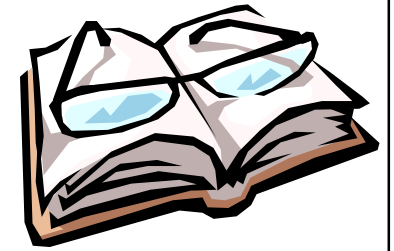
GENERAL MODEL DETAIL
GENERAL PARAMETERS



3D

3D MODEL

MASSED MODEL
ANALYTICAL PARAMETERS



Further reading

- Videos:
 - What is BIM: All you need to know (10:36)
<https://youtu.be/B3Zwm8DNU1c>
 - BIM vs. VDC: Is there a difference? (2:40)
<https://youtu.be/Fcf3hF7bAkI>
- BIM For Beginners by The B1M
 - <https://www.theb1m.com/BIM-For-Beginners>
- Building information modelling BIM
 - https://www.designingbuildings.co.uk/wiki/Building_information_modeling_BIM