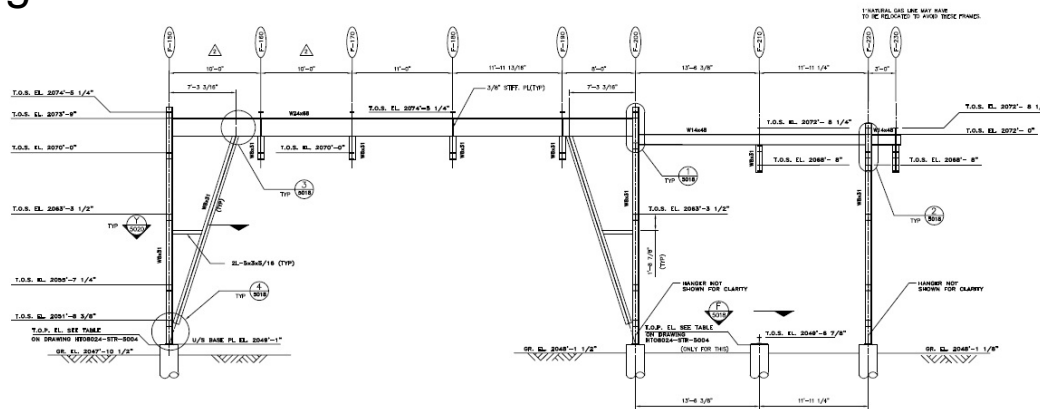


What is CAD?

- Computer Aided Design (CAD) transforms the labor intensive drafting to an efficient electronic documentation



- Lines
- Notations

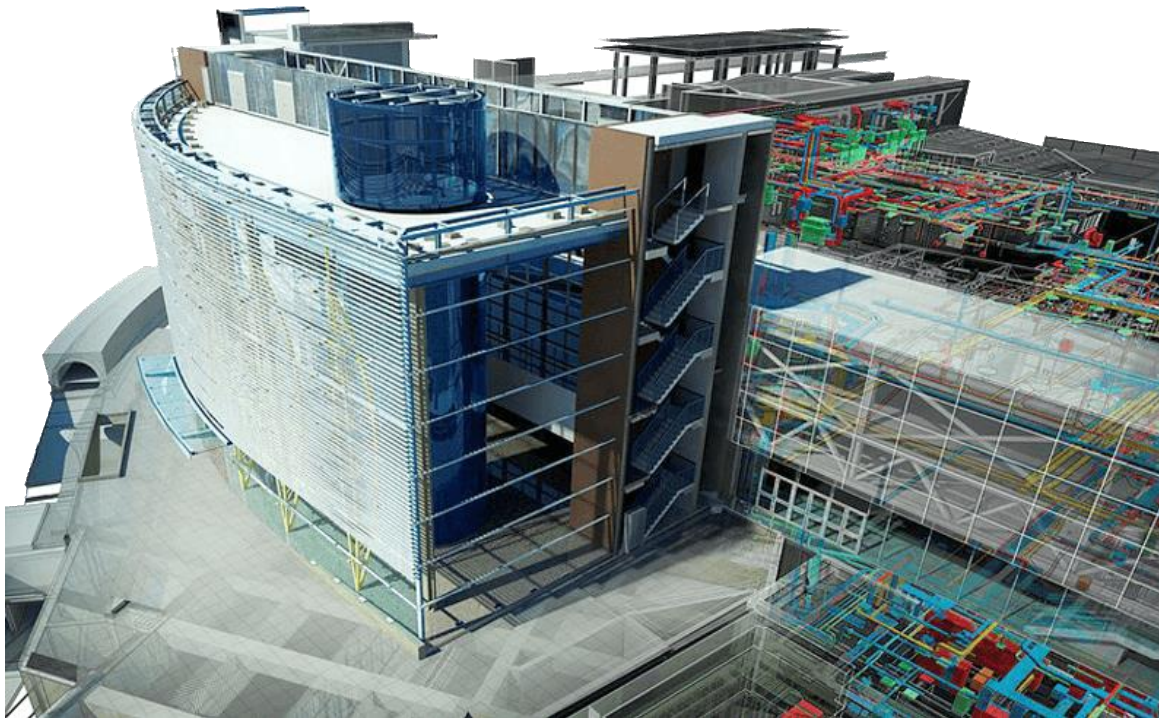
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- CAD can be used to produce 2 or 3 dimensional models of parts, materials or buildings.
- The lines, arcs, circles in CAD models are independent of one another.
- Notations are the only way to enrich the design context with very limited information

What is BIM?

Building Information Modeling is an intelligent model-based process

- A full digital prototype of a building
- A database to manage project information shared among all stakeholders



What is BIM?

- A **Building Model** is a digital representation of a building, its function, design, construction and later its operation. A building model replaces building drawings.
- Unlike computerized drawings, building models can be processed by computer software.
- **Building Information Modeling** is the process of creating a building model. The term also describes the software and technologies for compiling and processing building models.

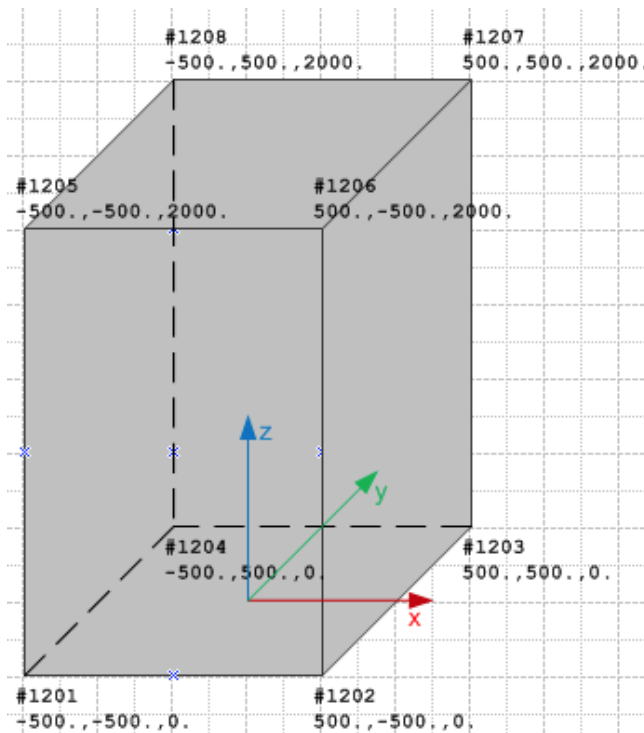
BIM Data Schema - IFC

Industry Foundation Classes (IFC)

- An official International Standard
- Describe building and construction industry data
- Facilitate the data interoperability in the architecture, engineering and construction (AEC) industry
- Open and platform neutral specification

BIM Data Schema

- BIM defines objects using **parametric geometry**, alphanumeric properties, and relationships



A point is defined using coordinates in 2D/3D space
e.g., (500., 500., 2000)

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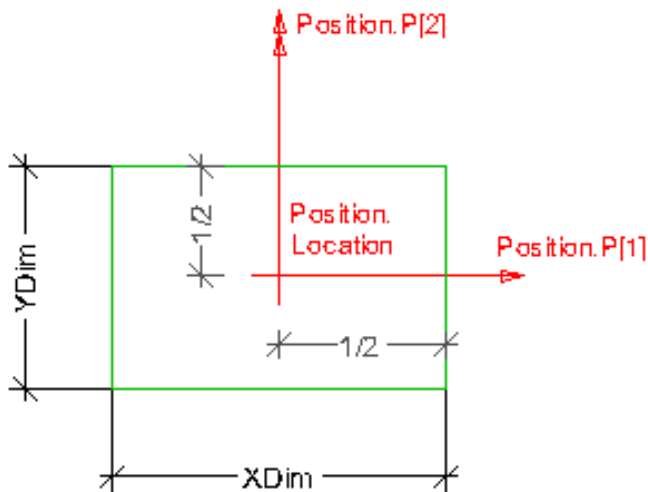


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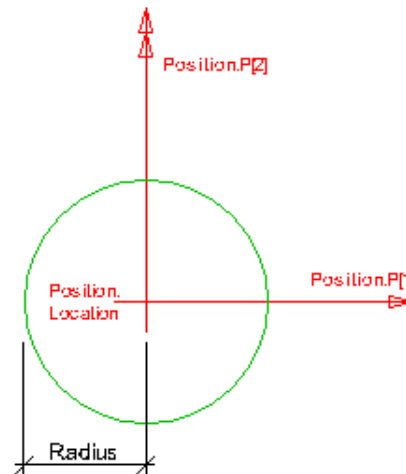
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Different type of surfaces can be defined using different parameters

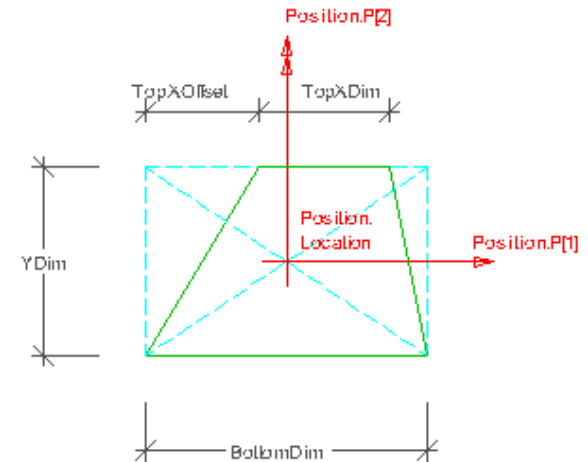
e.g., a rectangle can be defined by the length, width and the coordinates of its center



A rectangle



A circle



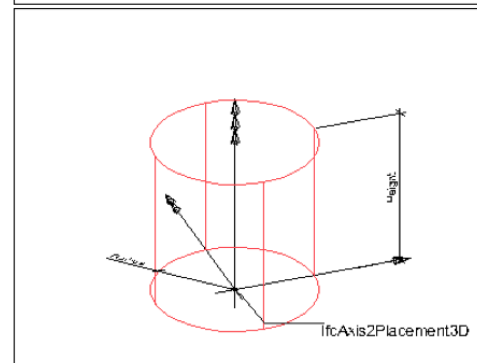
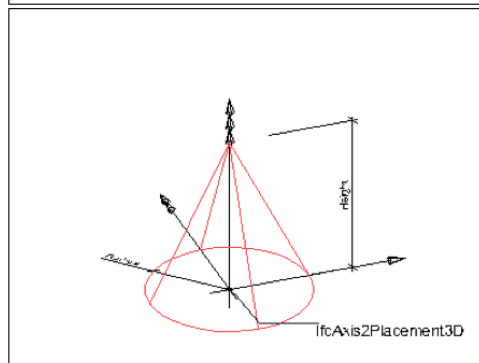
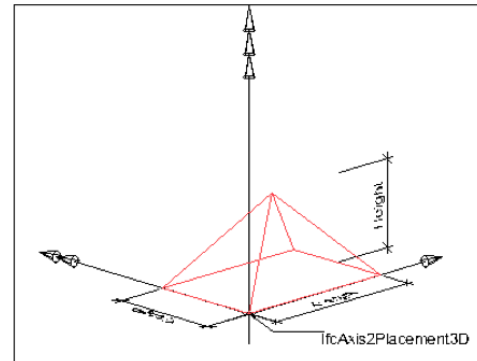
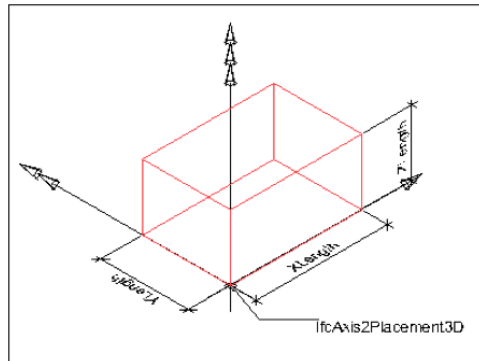
A trapezium

BIM Data Schema

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Different type of solids can be defined using different parameters

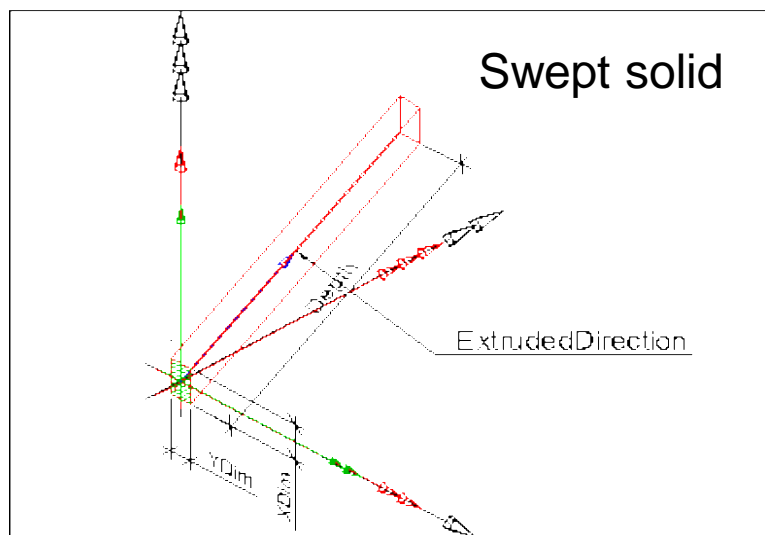
e.g., a cuboid can be defined by the length, width, height and the coordinates of a corner



BIM Data Schema

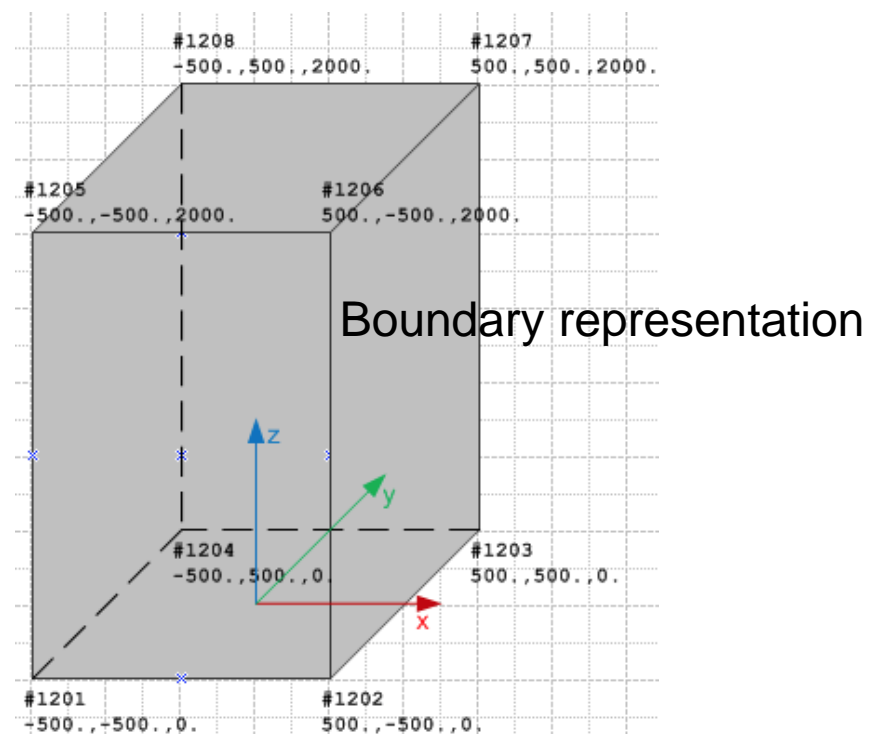
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The same object can be modelled using different types of representation



A longitudinal object represented by its cross section and extruded direction

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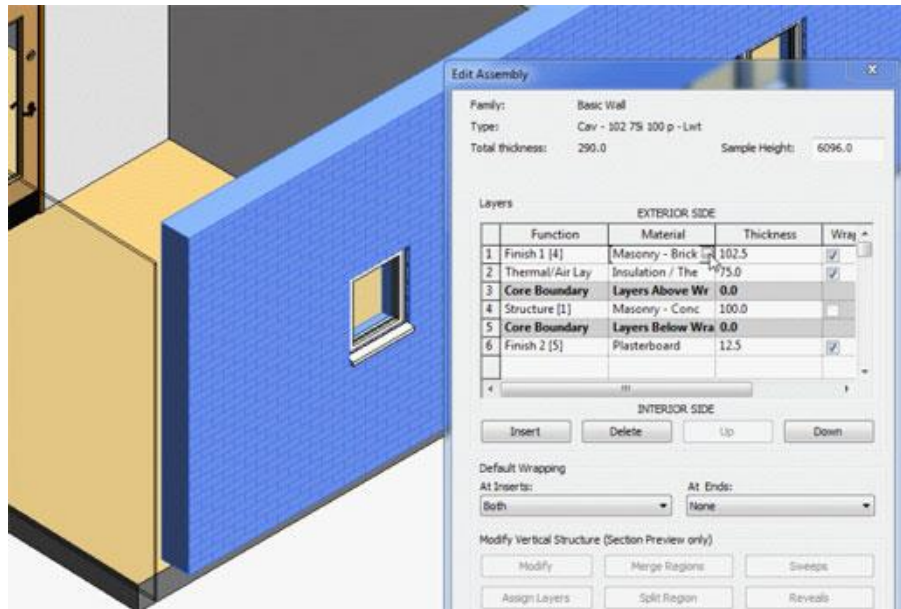
A 3D solid object defined by its six faces, each of which is defined by its four vertices

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BIM Data Schema

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A BIM model serves like a database for storing useful information in certain data structures



Definition of the materials (the type and thickness of layers) of the wall in a BIM model

102 External cavity walling

A wall

✕ • Drawing-references:

✕ • Parameters:

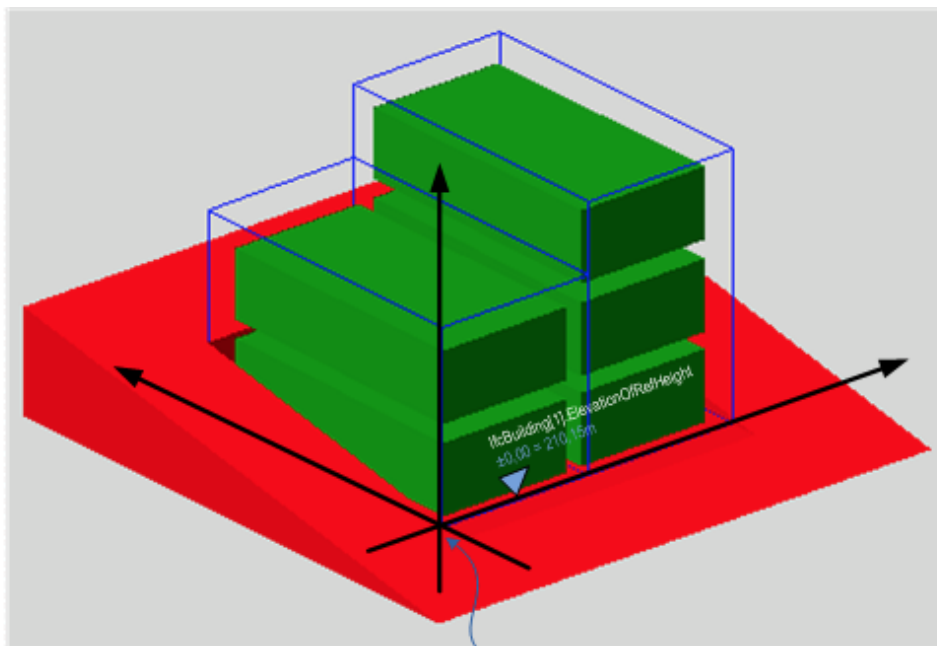
- Walling below ground:
 - Type: Cavity walling, concrete filled.
 - Masonry units: Common bricks.
 - Mortar: Class M8 mortar.
 - Dpo at ground floor: Flexible cavity trays.
- Walling above ground:
 - External leaf above ground:
 - Masonry units: Facing bricks.
 - Bond or coursing: Flemish bond.
 - Internal leaf above ground:
 - Masonry units: Aerated concrete blocks.
 - Mortar: Class M4 mortar.
 - Joint profile to external faces: Bucket handle.
 - Wall ties: Insulation retaining wall ties.
 - Cavity insulation: Full fill cavity insulation.
 - Ventilation components: Air bricks and sub-floor ventilation ducts.
- ✕ • Items-supplied-by-others:
- Openings:
 - Lintels:
 - Type: Manufactured stone lintels.
 - Cavity tray over: Flexible cavity trays.
 - Cavity closers: Flexible insulated dpes.
 - Sills:
 - Type: Manufactured stone sills.
 - Dpo below: Manufactured stone sills.
- Abutments:
 - Cavity trays and dpes: Natural stone sills.
 - Flashings built into masonry: Precast concrete sills.
- As drawings.

Example alphanumeric properties of a wall

BIM Data Schema

- BIM defines objects using parametric geometry, **alphanumeric properties**, and relationships

In addition to the physical objects, virtual objects can also be defined in a BIM model



e.g., the virtual object “project site” has properties:

- Longitude
 - Latitude
 - Height
- etc.

IfcSite.ObjectPlacement = IfcLocalPlacement

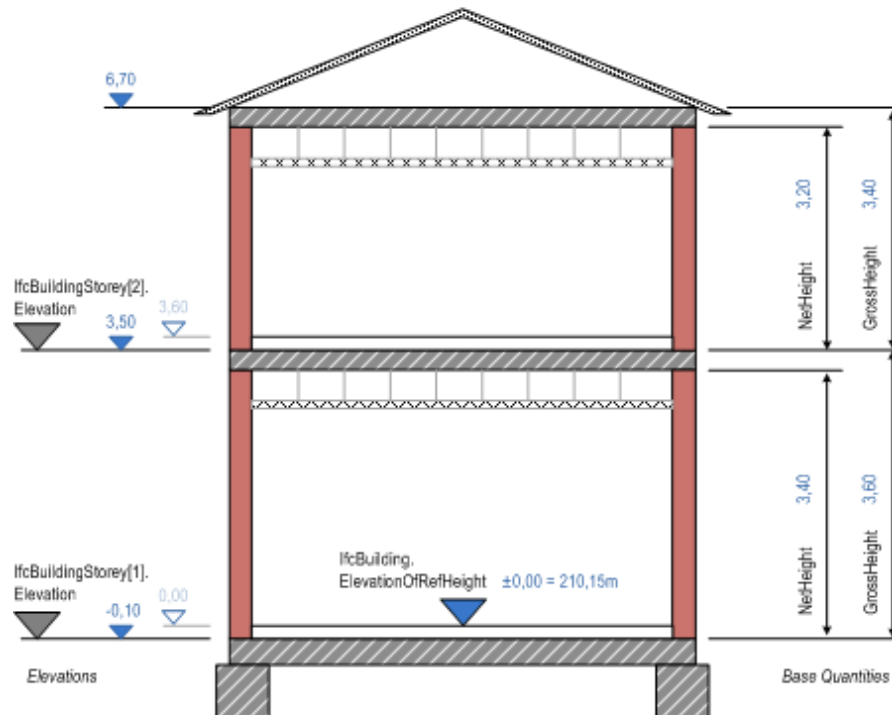
for information purpose equal to: RefLongitude, RefLatitude, RefHeight

Referring to degree, minute, seconds (with fractions) given in WGS84: 15°,52',23.34"; 53°,21',12.34",210.15m

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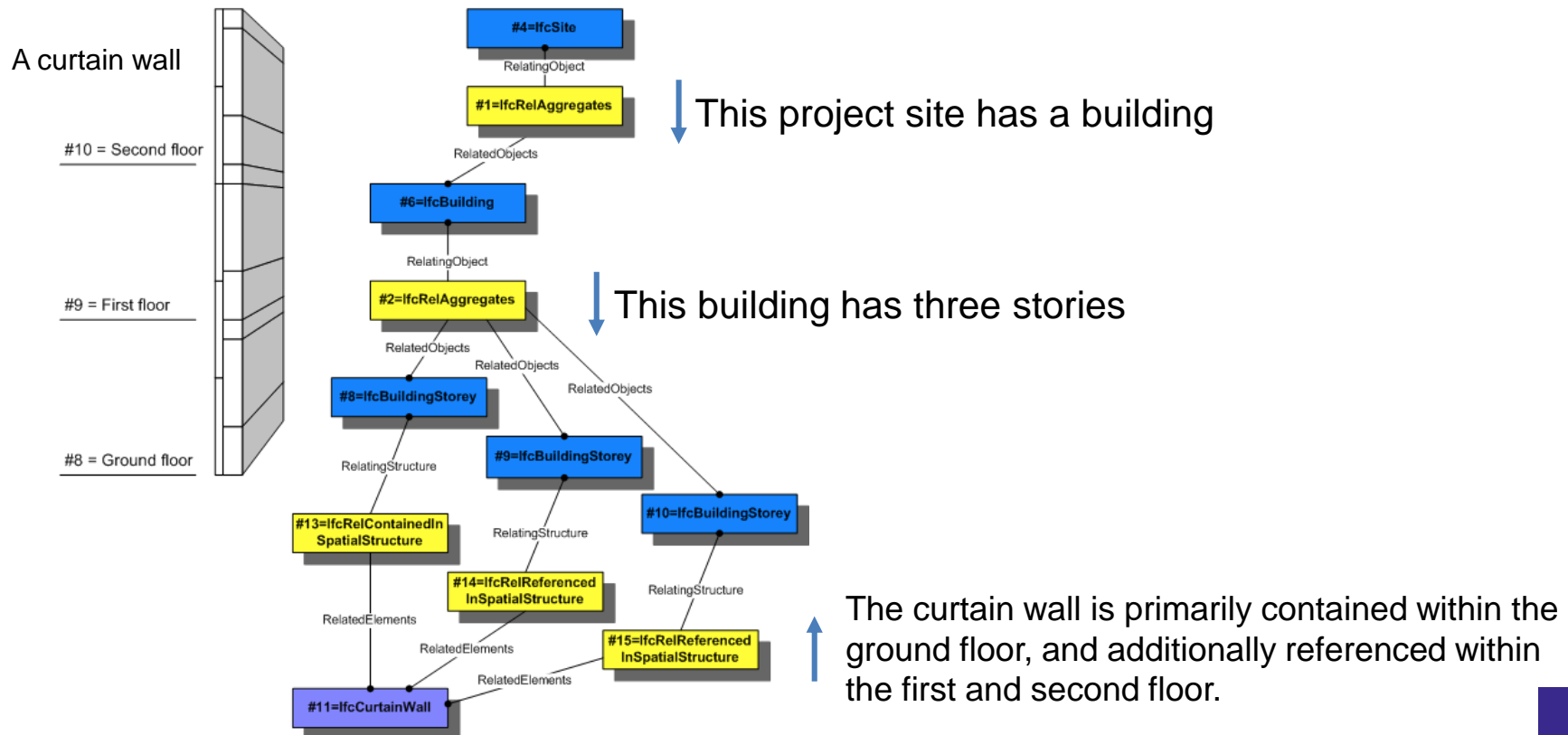
e.g., the virtual object “building storey” has properties:

- Elevation
 - Height
 - Gross height
- etc.

BIM Data Schema

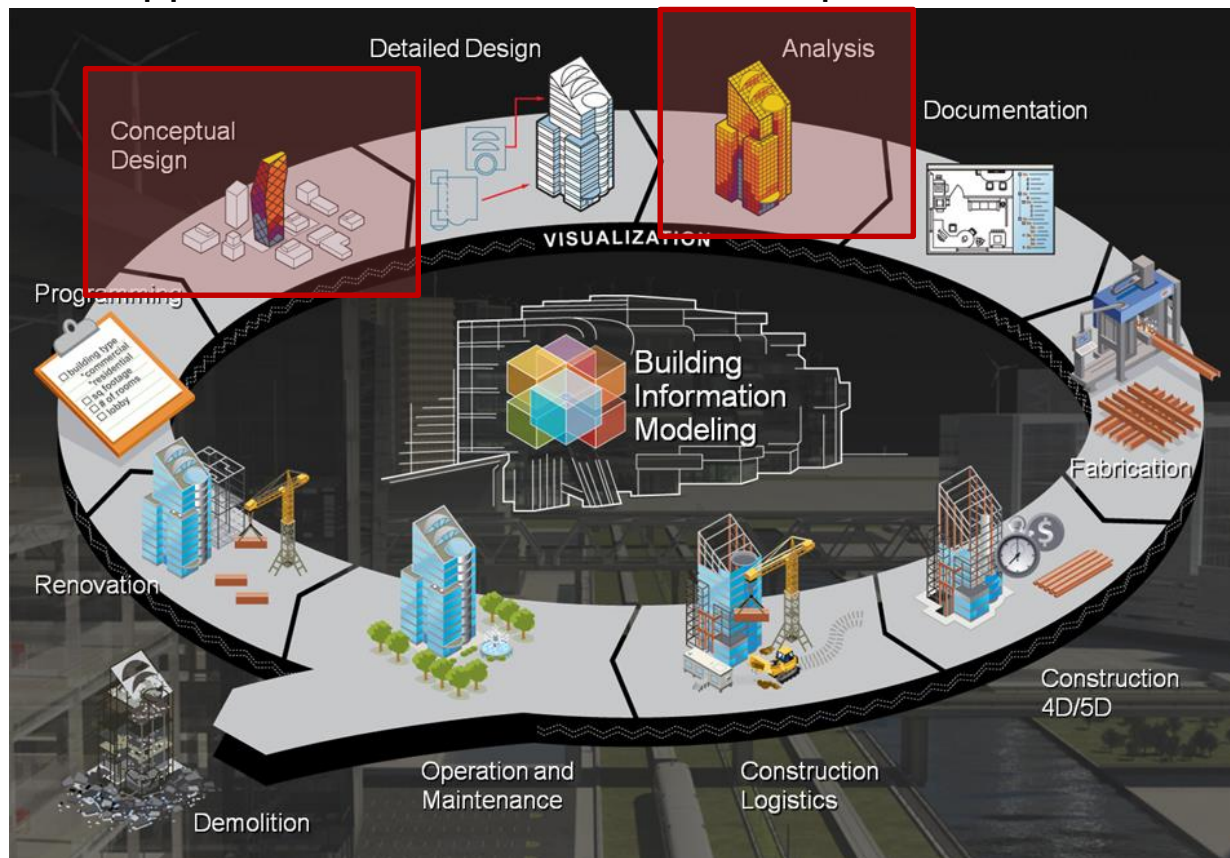
- BIM defines objects using parametric geometry, alphanumeric properties, and **relationships**

The relationships between physical objects and virtual objects (e.g. spaces) are explicitly defined in a BIM model



BIM Application

- BIM is more advanced than CAD because it can automate domain applications when information required are defined



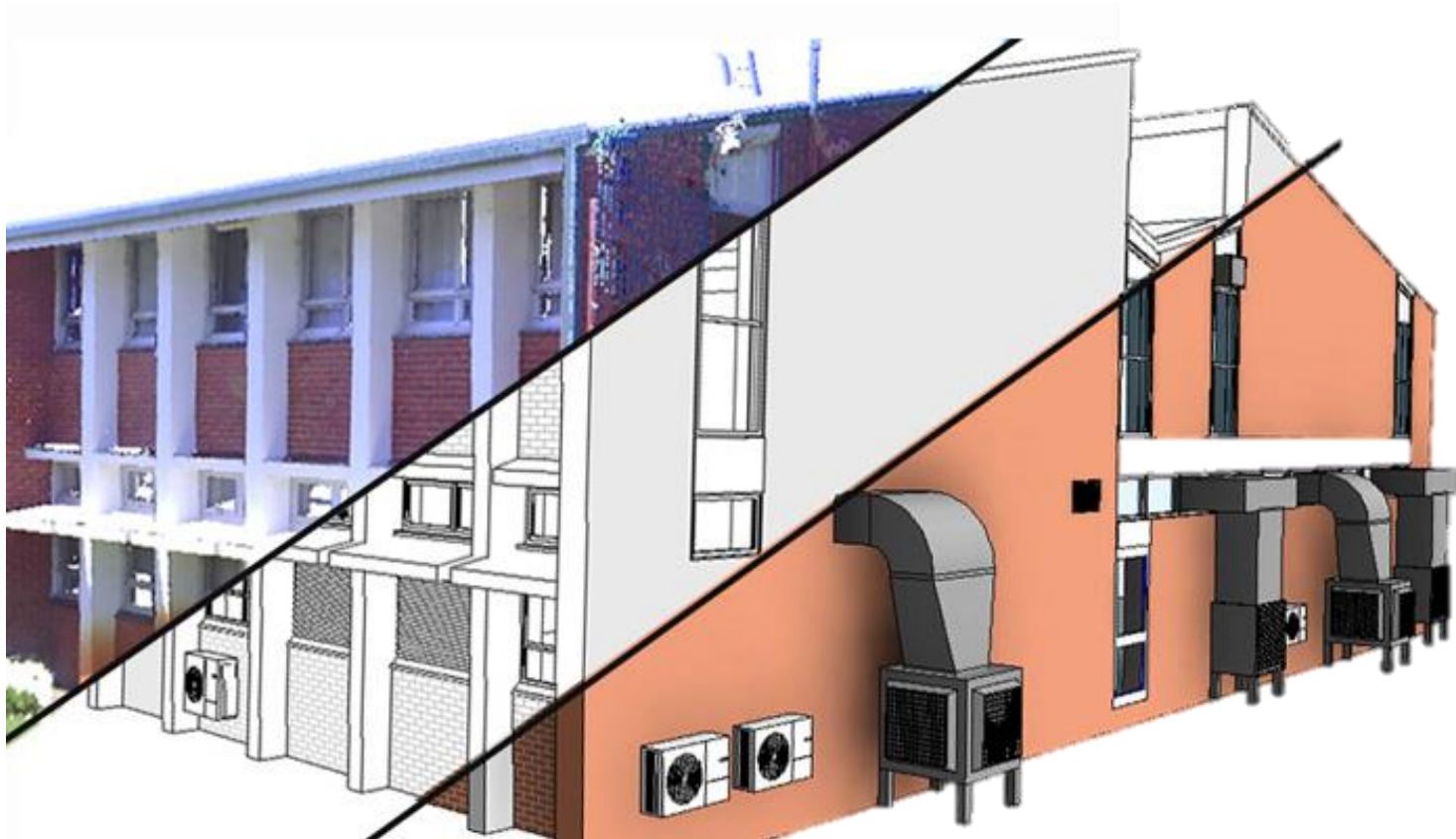
A BIM model can incorporate related information for automated energy analysis

- weather information
- heat transfer coefficients of the objects
- thermal resistance of the objects
- ...

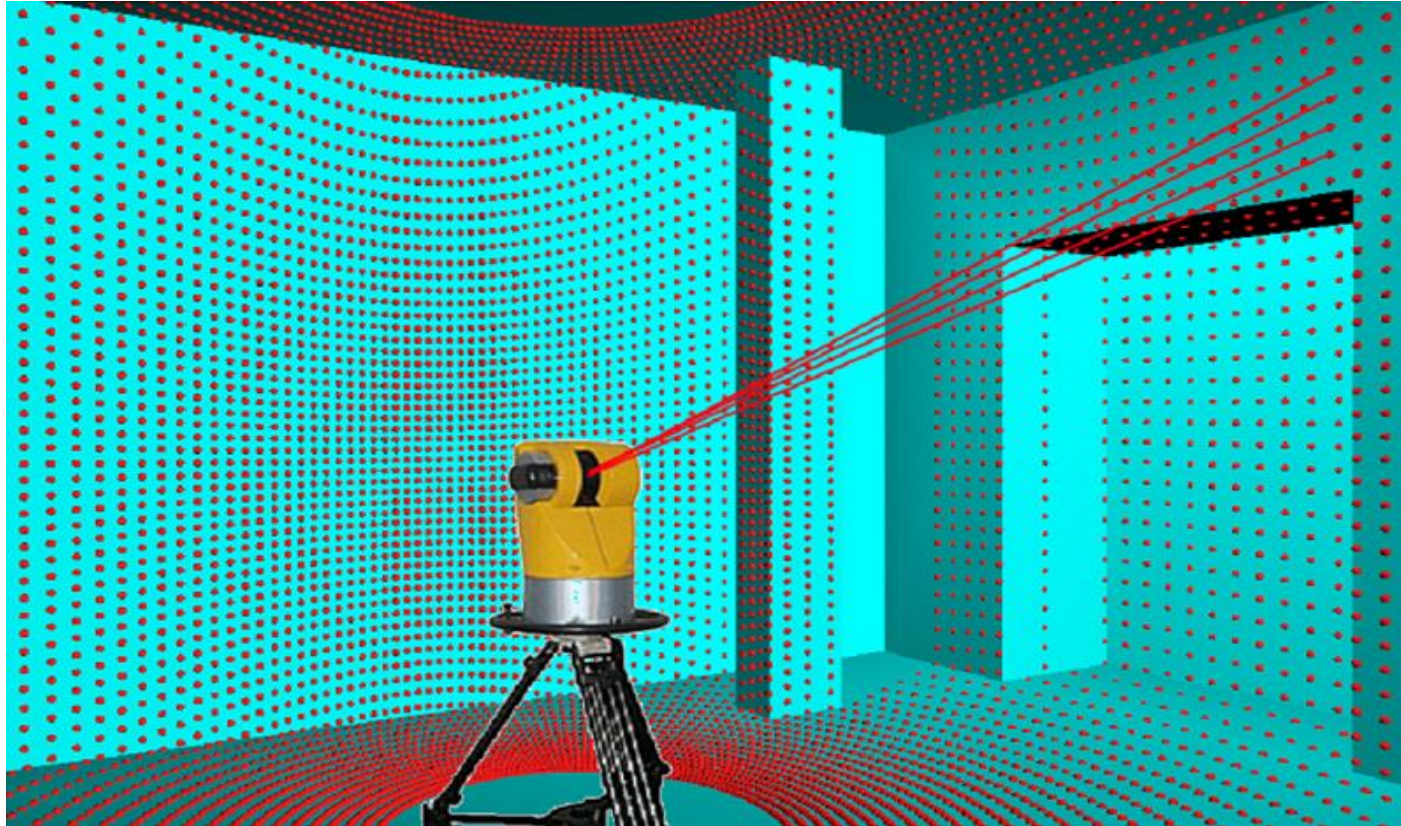
A BIM model can incorporate related information for automated structural analysis

- Young's modulus of the objects
- Shear modulus of the objects
- ...

'As-is' BIM model



TLS and photogrammetry

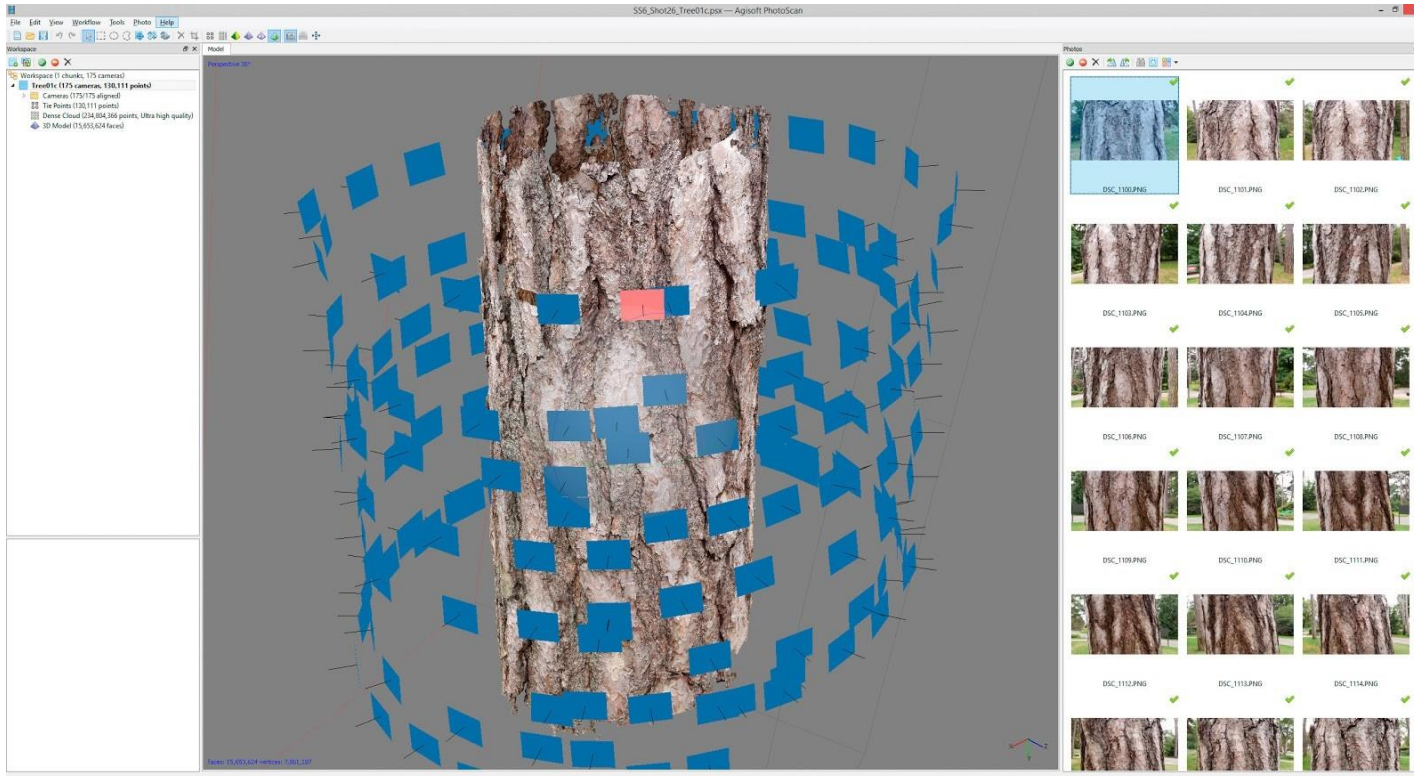


Terrestrial laser scanning (TLS) is an automated measurement technology.

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TLS and photogrammetry



Photogrammetry

PCD, 3D models, and BIM models



Point Cloud Data

PCD, 3D models, and BIM models

Traditional workflow of creating a 3D model using point cloud data

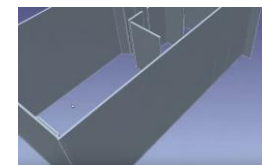


1. Project the points to the plan view

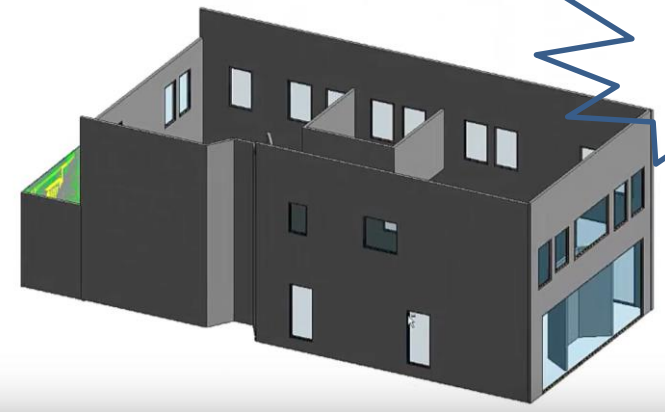


Manual
Time consuming
Costly

2. Create façade by tracing the points

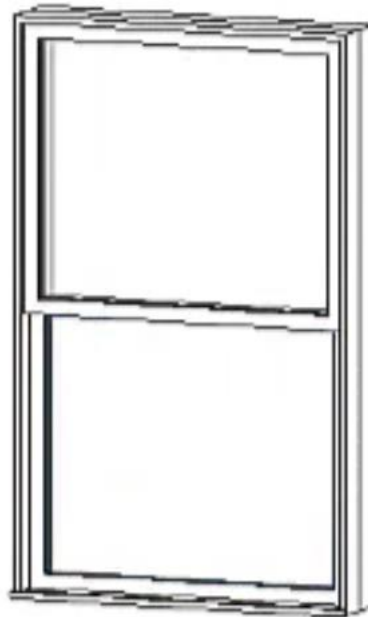
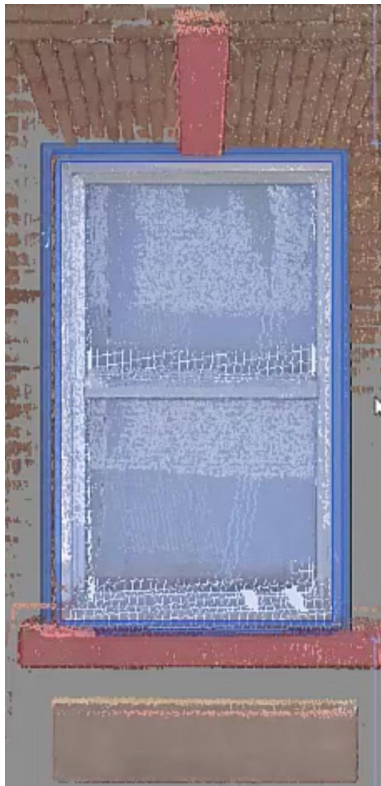


3. Add openings



PCD, 3D models, and BIM models

3D objects to BIM objects



A timber window
Timber type?
Frame type?
Fenestration Options?
Glazing?
Hinge Options?
Reference to a space?

Information needs to be supplemented to the BIM model according to specific needs

Create a window by examining the point cloud data

Facility management



Visualize the 3D objects

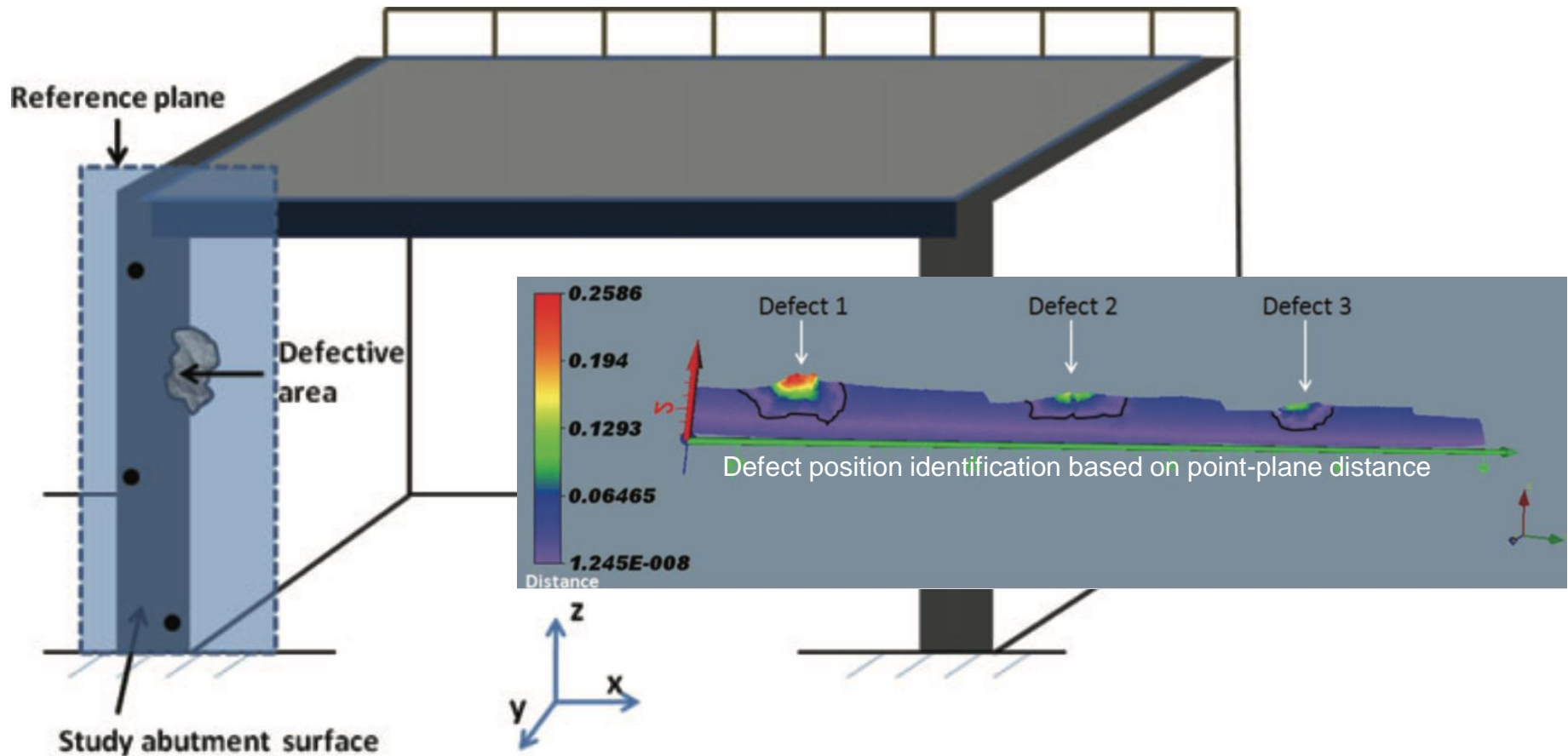
Retrieve the information
of the objects



Bridge defect detection



Remote sensing for defect detection



Summary

- BIM is a process for creating parametric and semantically rich building models.
- IFC is the data schema that specifies how computers represent a BIM model
- TLS and photogrammetry are contactless survey technologies for rapid collection of spatial data
- The data need to be progressively converted to 3D geometries and BIM models which can then be used in asset management systems
- The structural defects need to be detected in the spatial data and incorporated in the system