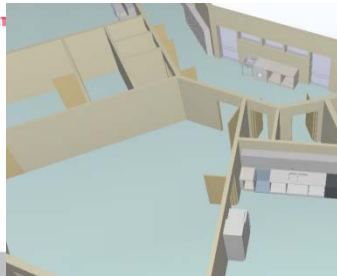
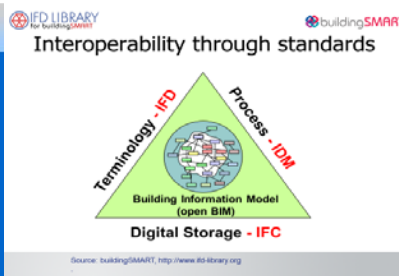
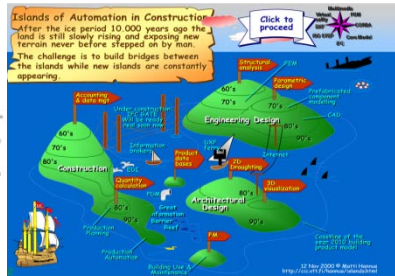
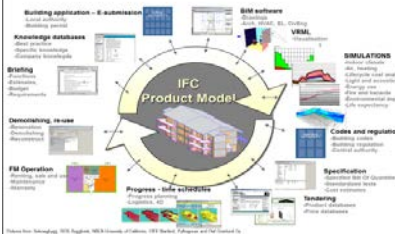


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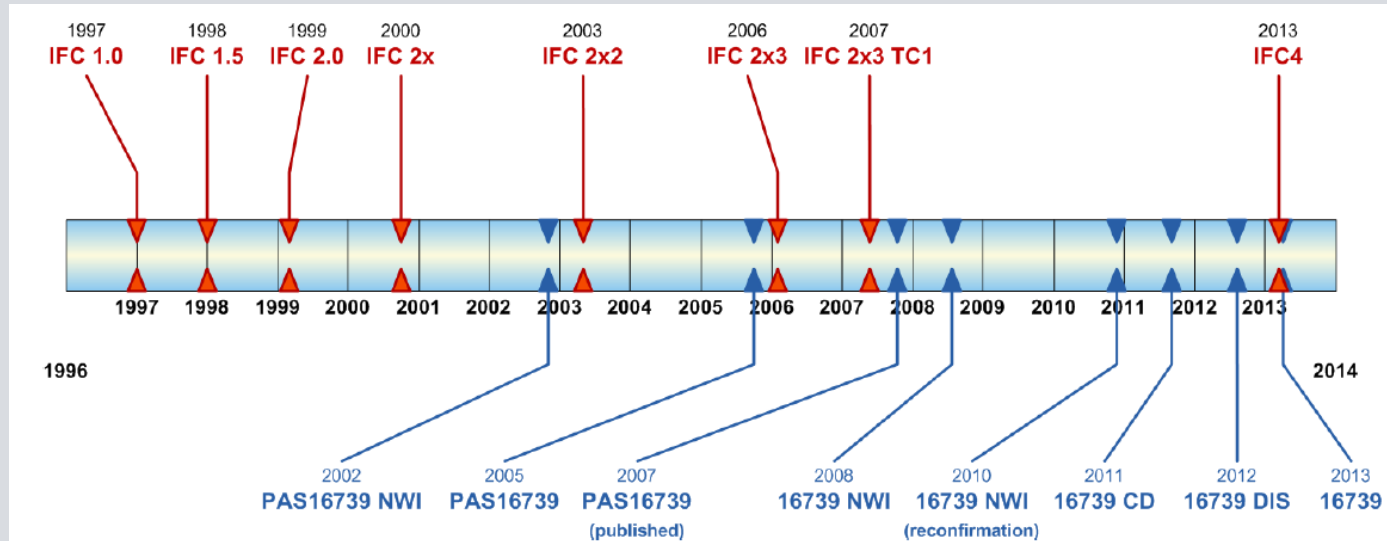
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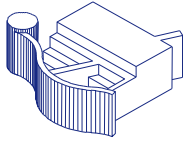
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IFC development history



IFC2x3 standard (ISO/IS 16739)



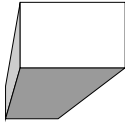
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B-rep
CSG



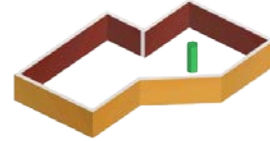
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Geometry (Sweep)

volume - extrusion, rotation
areas - extrusion, rotation



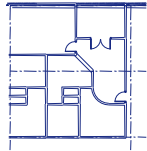
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Building Storey
Building
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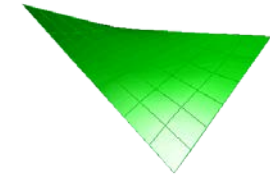
Topology

element connectivity,
schematic design



Building Elements

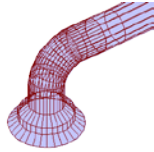
Walls, Openings, Doors
Roofs, Stairs, Ramps, etc.



Site and Terrain Model

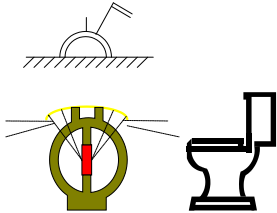
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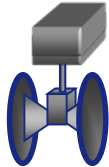
HVAC elements

ducting, piping
chillers, fans, etc
electrical comp.



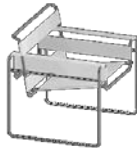
other building services

electrical elements
fire protection elements



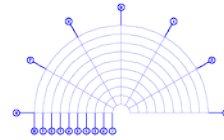
Controls, Instruments

building automation
sensor, actuator, controller,
gauge, meter, etc.



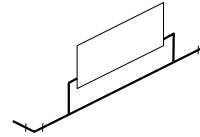
Furniture

furniture items
system furniture



Grid

linear, circular grids
positioning to grid



Systems

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cable, structural



Lighting

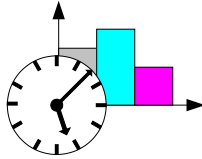
fittings,
rendering,
photo-accurate
lighting



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2D presentations in
model space,
dimensioning,
colors, texture
maps

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time related events
energy simulation



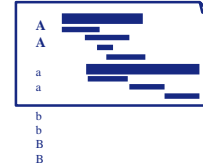
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Organisations
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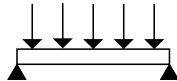
Constraints

rules, specifications,
requirements
trigger conditions



Work plans

schedules
resource allocation



Structural analysis:

structural members,
boundary conditions,
connections, loads, etc.



Costing

Cost of objects
Cost planning
Cost estimates



Structural Elements

members, profiles,
rebars, properties,
joints, features, surface

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3xafgr
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classification,
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documentation

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Structural steel and timber

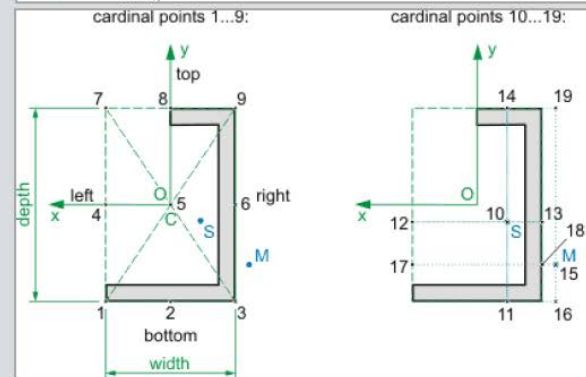
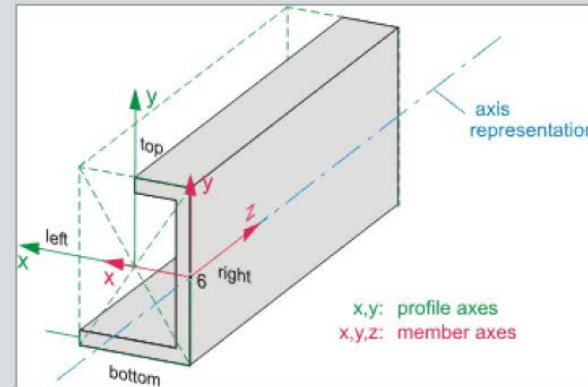
Definition of material profile association,
Alignment at a cardinal point, anisotropic
material properties

Structural analysis and detailing

Enhancement of analysis model
Better support of detailing (simplified multiple
placements, e.g. for fasteners, rebar)
Foundations enhanced by types

Standardized quantities for QTO

Definition of international base quantities,
defined as separate XML schema +
configuration files linked to IFC spec



Major improvements – an extract – 3

Energy and other performance analysis

Improvement of space boundaries, adding spatial zones and external spaces (against ground, water, air), shading devices

Environmental impact values

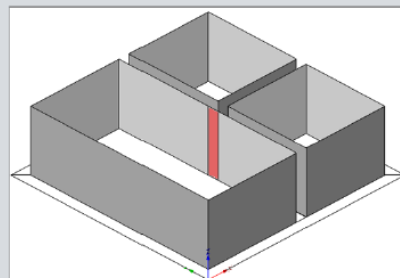
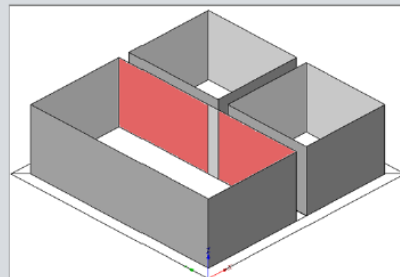
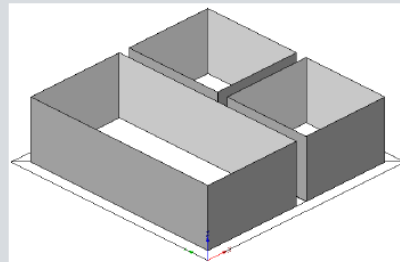
Adding environmental impact indicators and values to elements and element types

Site planning

General geographic feature element enabling basic site planning and GIS connection

GIS coordinate system transformation

Enabling the mapping of a building design into a GIS system and vice versa



Major improvements – an extract – 4

Multi-lingual property sets

Property sets defined as separate XML
schema + configuration files including aliases
in different languages – linked to IFC spec
So far French and German, more to follow

Major efficiency improvement for 4D

Rework of the scheduling definitions, adding
calendar support, switch to ISO 8601 time
format, simplification of task relations. First
prototypes show full support for MS Project
and 75% decrease of model footprint

Major efficiency improvement for 5D

Similar rework for cost items and construction
resources, now linked to schedule and BIM

Name	Definition
Reference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> de-DE:Bemusterung fr-FR:Reference 	Reference ID for this specified type in this project (e.g. type 'A-1'). Used to store the non-classification driven internal project type. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> de-DE:Identifikator der projektinternen Referenz für diesen Raum, z.B. nach der Raumklassifizierung des Bauherrn, wie "Büroraum Klasse 1" fr-FR:Référence à l'identifiant d'un type spécifié dans le contexte de ce projet (exemple : "type A1"). A fournir s'il n'y a pas de référence à une classification en usage.
FloorCovering <ul style="list-style-type: none"> de-DE:Bodenbelag fr-FR:RevêtementSol 	Label to indicate the material or finish of the space flooring. The label is used for room book information and often displayed in room stamp. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> de-DE:Angabe des Materials für den Bodenbelag. Diese Angabe wird im Raumbuch verwendet und oft im Raumstempel angezeigt. fr-FR:Indication sur la nature du revêtement de sol.
WallCovering <ul style="list-style-type: none"> de-DE:Wandbekleidung fr-FR:RevêtementMur 	Label to indicate the material or finish of the space flooring. The label is used for room book information and often displayed in room stamp. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> de-DE:Angabe des Materials für die Wandbekleidung, oder den Wandbelag Diese Angabe wird im Raumbuch verwendet und oft im Raumstempel angezeigt. fr-FR:Indication sur la nature du revêtement de mur.

Major improvements – an extract – 5

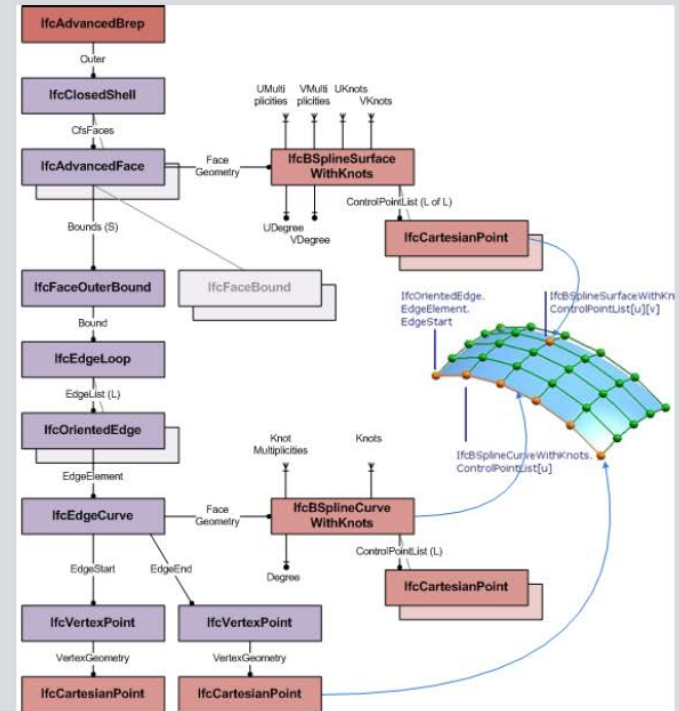
Enhancement of geometry resource

Adding support for NURBS, support for tapering in extrusions, and non-planar surfaces and surface bounds

Documentation improvement

Documentation, explanations and many examples are added to improve understanding and readability of the spec

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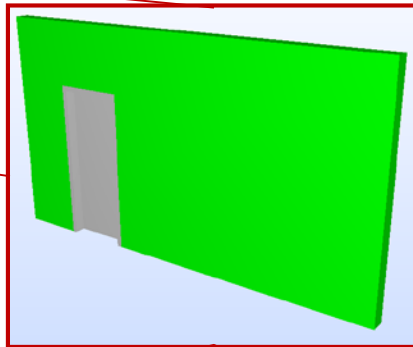
Information for a building element

Identification

IfcWall: Basiswand:MW 17.5:98046
GUID: 3G_7N62zbD\$BUYR_Q8WHA



Documents(link)



Locations

Identification	Location	Quantities	Profile	Relations	Classification
Property	Value				
Building	Building.b.1.1				
Floor	Erdgeschoss				
Top Elevation	2.80 m				
Bottom Elevation	0 mm				
Distance to Next Floor	3.00 m				
Global Top Elevation	2.80 m				
Global Bottom Elevation	0 mm				
Global X	4.08 m				
Global Y	6.29 m				

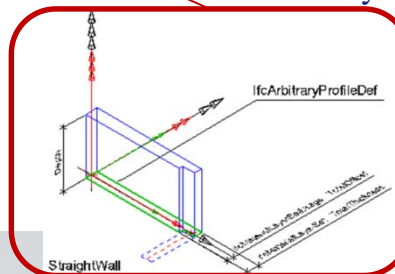
Properties

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Property			Value		
Reference			Basiswand:MW 17.5		
ThermalTransmittance			2.28		

Relations

Wall.0.5					
PSet_Revit_Type_Konstruktion			Pset_WallCommon		
Hyperlinks	PSet_Revit_Abhangigkeiten		PSet_Revit_Bemaungen		
Identification	Location	Quantities	Profile	Relations	Classification
Containment					
↳ Erdgeschoss					
Provides					
↳ Space Boundary.1					
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↳ Space Boundary.48					
Referencing					
↳ Space.0.2 : Wohnen[0.001]					
↳ Space.0.5 : Flur Eingang[0.003]					
Void					
↳ Opening.0.4					

Geometry



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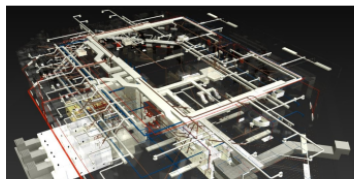
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IFC4 Addendum 1

Official landing page to publish the official IFC4 Addendum 1 release, it is a buildingSMART Final Standard.

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What is new in IFC4 Addendum 1 ?

The main purposes of the IFC4 Addendum 1 are the improvement of the specification documentation and the necessary enhancements of the schema that resulted from the pilot implementations and the first Model View definitions. All changes made are downward compatible.

- The documentation format has been further improved for readability. A language independent section to describe the entities and types with their attributes and relationships is now available and separate to the EXPRESS and XSD code;
- The use of concept templates (chapter 4) and concepts is greatly enhanced, based on the [mvdXML specification](#) to enable better MVD developments and validation;
- Minor schema enhancements reflect the experience from pilot implementations of the IFC4 enhancements;
- One additional schema enhancement has been added after intensive discussions and considerations, a simplified and far more compact definition of poly lines with arc segments
 - See the following [»summary«](#) of the rationale behind adding this additional geometry definition
- An overview of all changes is provided [»here«](#)
- A detailed listing of all issues resolved for the beta release is shown [»here«](#)

IFC4 Add 1 for MVD development

- the first official Model View Definition for IFC4 will be based on the Addendum 1. Therefore all upcoming buildingSMART International IFC Certification are based on IFC4 Addendum 1.
- see [IFC4 Reference View](#) and [IFC4 Design Transfer View](#) as the first two hST

IFC4 Add 1 under ISO16739

- it is planned to create a new work item for a first Amendment of

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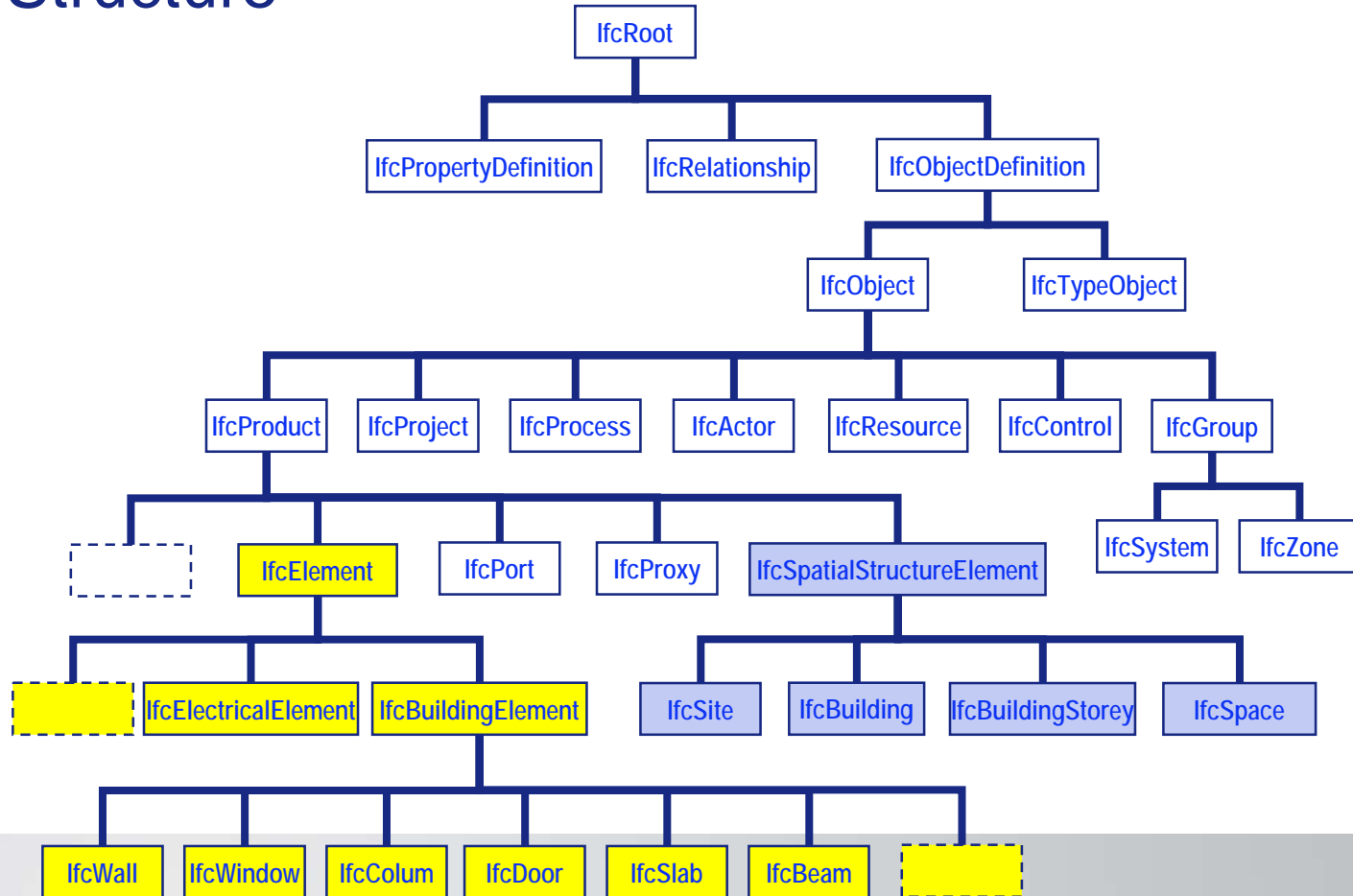
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IfcBuilding

Definition from ISO 6707-1:1989: Construction work that has the provision of shelter for its occupants or contents as one of its main purpose and is normally designed to stand permanently in one place.

Definition from IAI: A building represents a structure that provides shelter for its occupants or contents and stands in one place. The building is also used to provide a basic element within the spatial structure hierarchy for the components of a building project (together with site, storey, and space).

A building is (if specified) associated to a site. A building may span over several connected or disconnected buildings. Therefore building complex provides for a collection of buildings included in a site. A building can also be decomposed in (vertical) parts, where each part defines a building section. This is defined by the composition type attribute of the supertype *IfcSpatialStructureElements* which is interpreted as follow:

- COMPLEX = building complex
- ELEMENT = building
- PARTIAL = building section

HISTORY New entity in IFC Release 1.0.

Property Set Use Definition:

The property sets relating to the *IfcBuilding* are defined by the *IfcPropertySet* and attached by the *IfcRelDefinesByProperties* relationship. It is accessible by the inverse *IsDefinedBy* relationship. The following property set definitions specific to the *IfcBuilding* are part of this IFC release:

- **Pset_BuildingCommon:** common property set for all types of buildings
- **Pset_BuildingWaterStorage:** specific property set for buildings to capture the water supply requirements
- **Pset_BuildingUse:** specific property set for buildings to capture the current and anticipated real estate context.
- **Pset_BuildingUseAdjacent:** specific property set for buildings to capture the use information about the adjacent buildings.

Quantity Use Definition:

The quantities relating to the *IfcBuilding* are defined by the *IfcElementQuantity* and attached by the *IfcRelDefinesByProperties*. The following quantities are foreseen, but will be subjected to the local standard of measurement:

Name	Description	Value Type
NominalHeight	Calculated height of the building, measured from the level of terrain to the top part of the building. The exact definition and calculation rules depend on the method of measurement used.	<i>IfcQuantityLength</i>
NominalArea	Calculated coverage of the site area that is occupied by the building	<i>IfcQuantityArea</i>

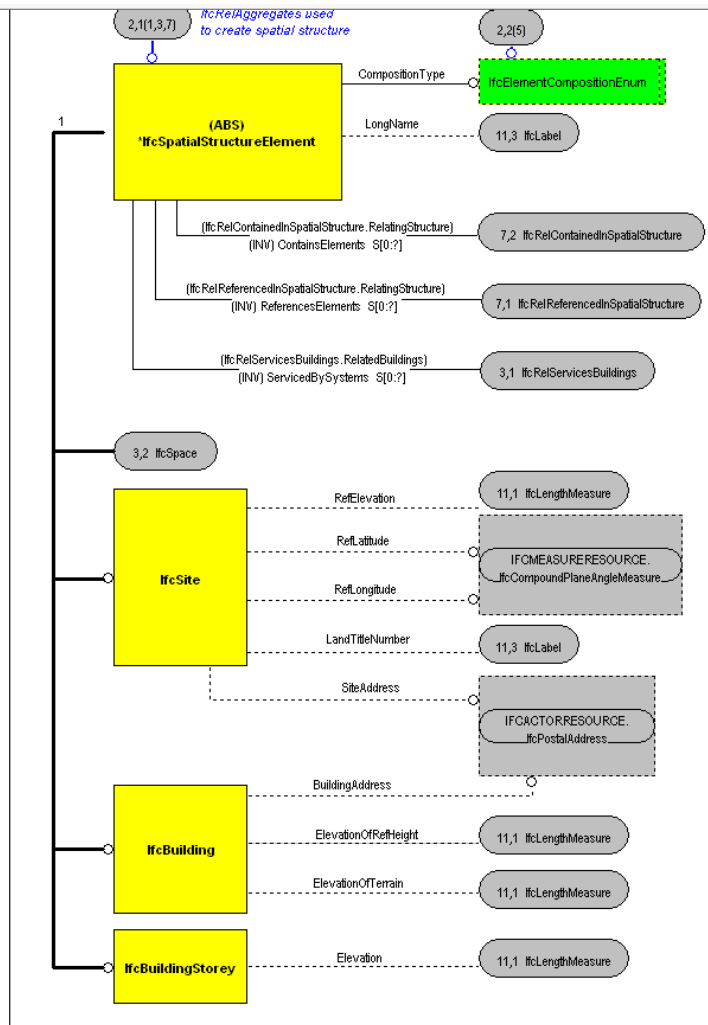
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Geometry - example

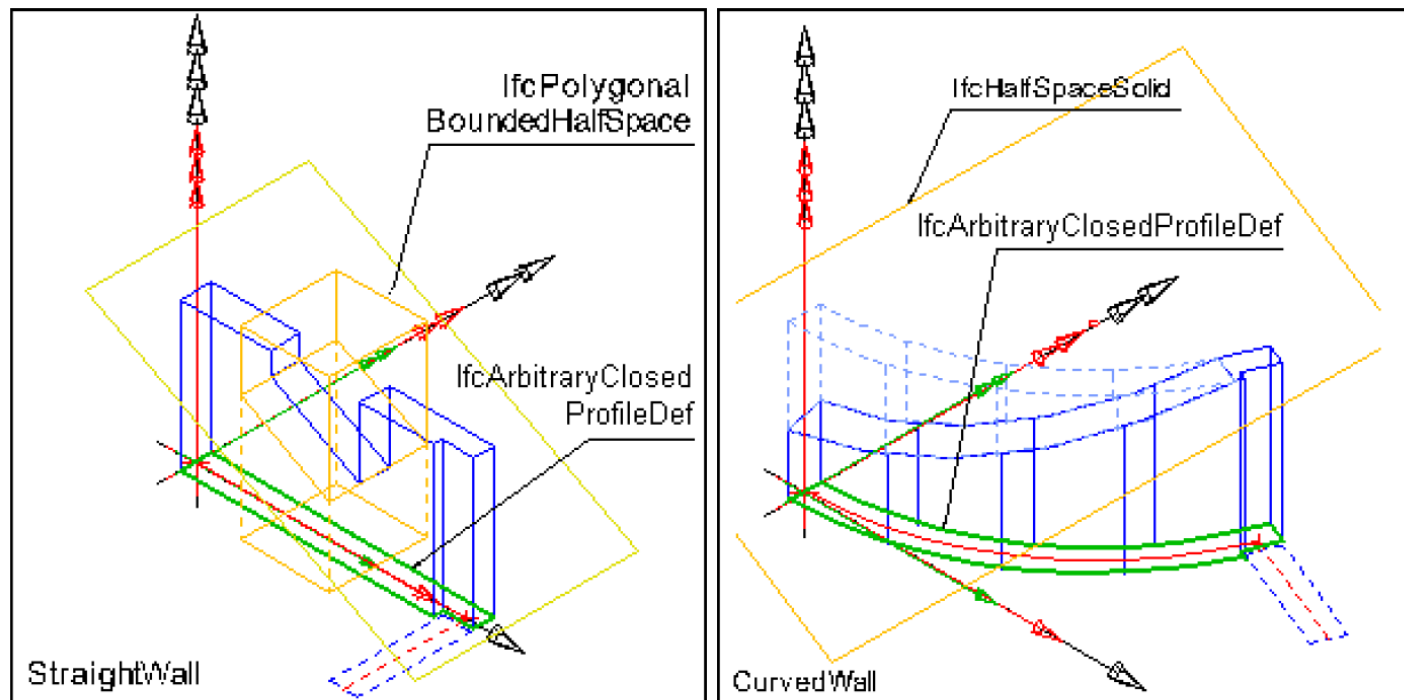
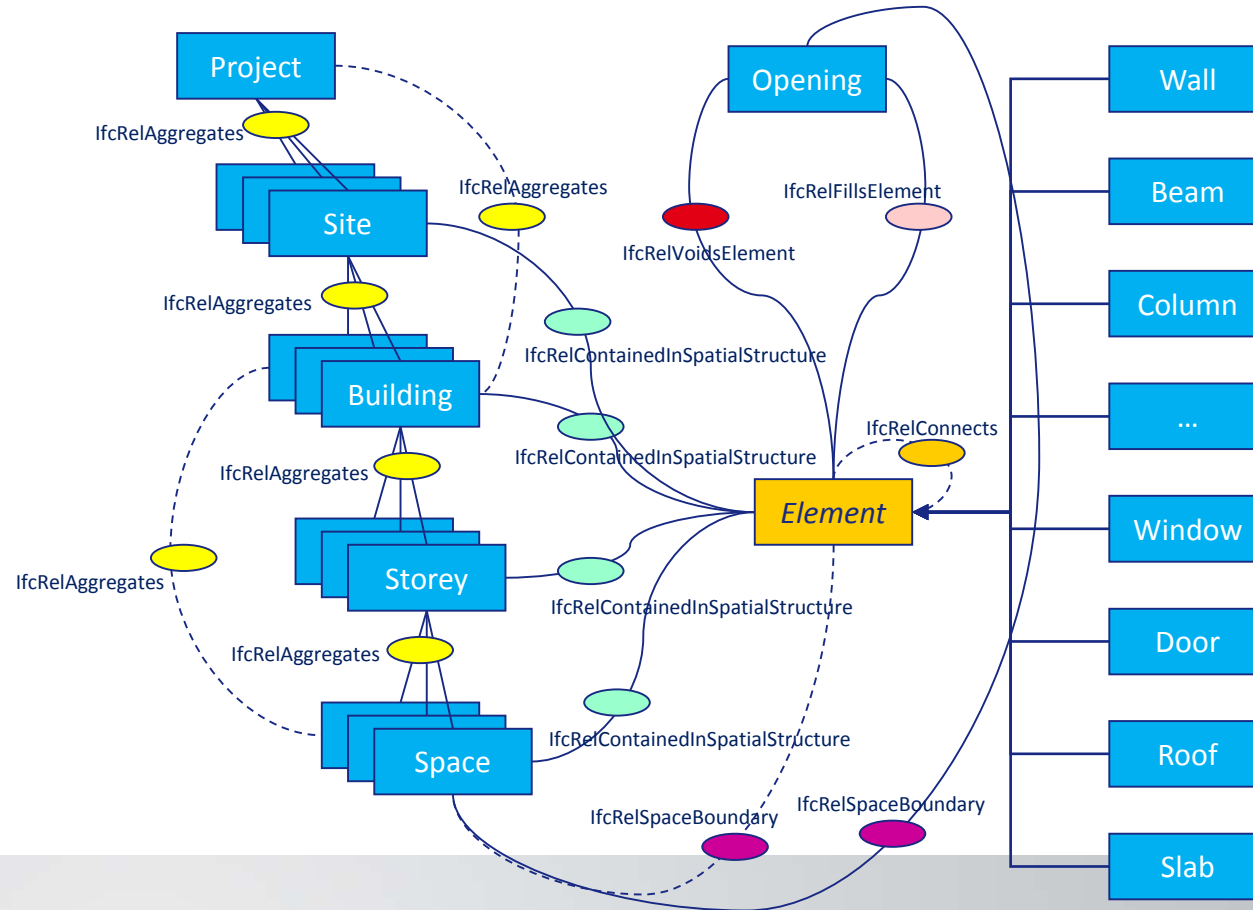
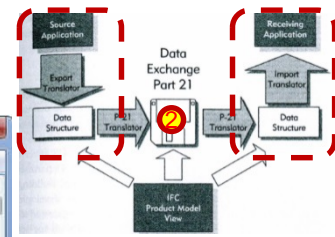
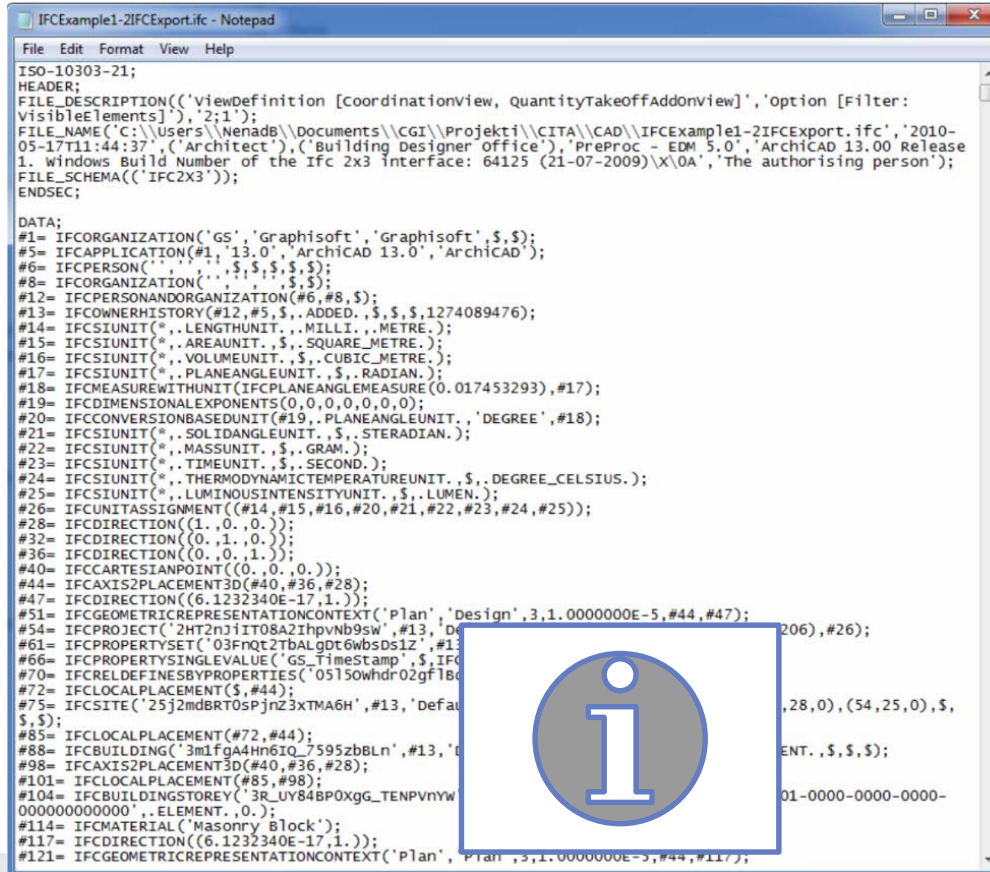


Figure 27 : Example of bounded and unbounded clipping planes

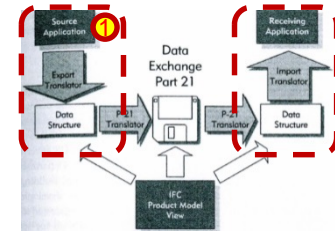
Typical IFC data exchange file structure



Export the IFC file



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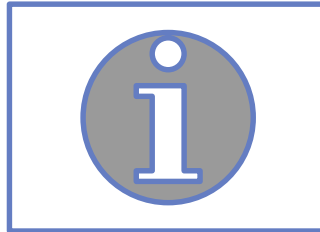
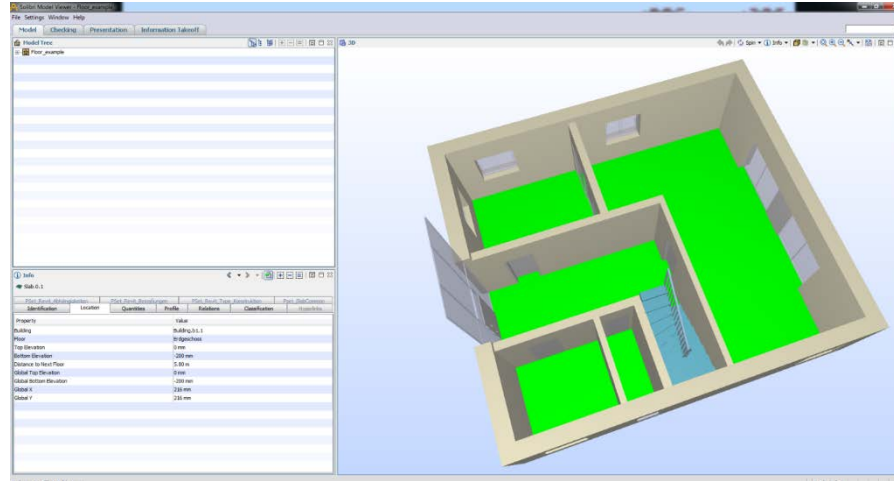
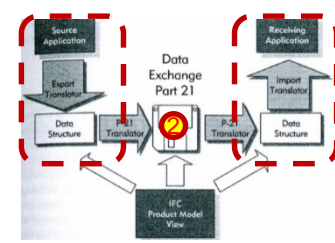


- » You can create and change the building objects in an authoring tool, like a CAD-system
- » You can do it in other tools too, like Graphical Instance – you only need to know the standard, i.e. IFC
- » In Graphical Instance you can access the IFC file, modify it and export a new version

The diagram illustrates the Data Exchange Part 21 process. It shows a central 'Data Exchange Part 21' box with a floppy disk icon. Below it is a 'PDM Product Model View' box. To the left, a 'Source Application' box connects to a 'Data Structure' box via an 'Export Translator'. To the right, a 'Receiving Application' box connects to a 'Data Structure' box via an 'Import Translator'. Arrows indicate the flow of data from the Source Application to the Data Structure, then to the PDM Product Model View, and finally to the Receiving Application's Data Structure. A red circle with the number '1' is placed near the Source Application.



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BCF intro

buildingSMART has adopted the Open BIM Collaboration Format (BCF) as a buildingSMART standard. This page contains introductory information.

Introduction

The BCF development includes both, a XML file format as well as a RESTful webservice.

The BIM Collaboration Format (BCF) is an open file XML format "bcfXML" that supports workflow communication in BIM processes.

The RESTful webservice "bcfAPI" enables software applications to exchange BCF data seamlessly in BIM workflows.

Background

Before 2010, endusers, who wanted to exchange issues, proposals and change requests in BIM-data-models, always had to exchange the whole BIM-model as a bulk data. The receiver had to compare different releases of the BIM-model in order to filter the requests from the sender. As a much more efficient way to support this effort the idea of developing an open standard to enable BIM-workflow communication between different software tools had been proposed to buildingSMART. In 2010, Tekla and Solibri came up with an initial XML schema, called "bcfXML v1", to encode messages containing BIM-topics (e.g. issues, proposals, change requests, ...) addressed in BIM-data-models. The implication was to boost the degree of collaboration in BIM-workflows by only exchanging the lean topics and not the entire bulk BIM-data model between software applications. "bcfXML v1" became implemented by several software packages and valuable experiences could be gained by using it in BIM-based projects.

In 2013, based on these experiences a task force, lead by Solibri, was established in buildingSMART's ISG (Implementer Support Group) to enhance "bcfXML v1" in certain focal points like flexibility related to project specific aspects, the possibility to exchange machine readable BCF-topics with attached BIM-Snippets (small components of a BIM-model), attached multiple viewpoints, Finally and after intense public review "bcfXML v2" became released and was adopted by buildingSMART in October 2014.

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buildingSMART-standard BCF

In 2014, as a second major objective of the BCF-task force, the BCF-webservice "bcfAPI" was introduced by iabi (Institute of applied Building Informatics). The idea behind this is to exchange BCF-Topics not only manually or by e-mail attachments via bcfXML-files, but seamlessly and automated via a standardized RESTful API "bcfAPI".

Released in March 2017, "bcfXML v2.1" and "bcfAPI v2.1" are the newest versions adopted by buildingSMART. BCF v2.0, which has a strong focus on maintaining backwards compatibility with the first version of BCF, did have some leftover elements present that were necessary for compliance with BCF v1.0 but did not fit right into the new standard. These also caused occasionally confusion with implementers and users. Such elements were removed or replaced in v2.1.

- The BCF XML and BCF APIs version numbers were harmonized.
- Implementer agreements on the viewpoints have been defined so that every viewer represents the viewpoint as closely to how the originating application created it as possible. An overhaul of the geometric components data structure is much more storage efficient regarding real life exchange scenarios.
- Instead of using a customized authentication process for the BCF API, industry standards were referenced and therefore should greatly reduce implementation efforts both for server and client developers.
- Resource authorization is now part of the API so that servers can clearly communicate which data a user has access to and which operations the user is permitted.
- Historical records to audit changes throughout a project have now been incorporated in the BCF API.

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Air Handling Unit too close t... X

Error

Open ●

Please move the AHU
with enough clearance
from the door



Snapshot Viewpoint



Linked models Structural, HVAC

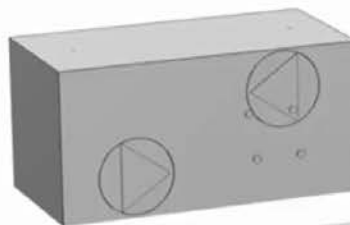
Assigned to ---

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BCF-exempel 2 min



BCF XML is a file format

markup.bcf

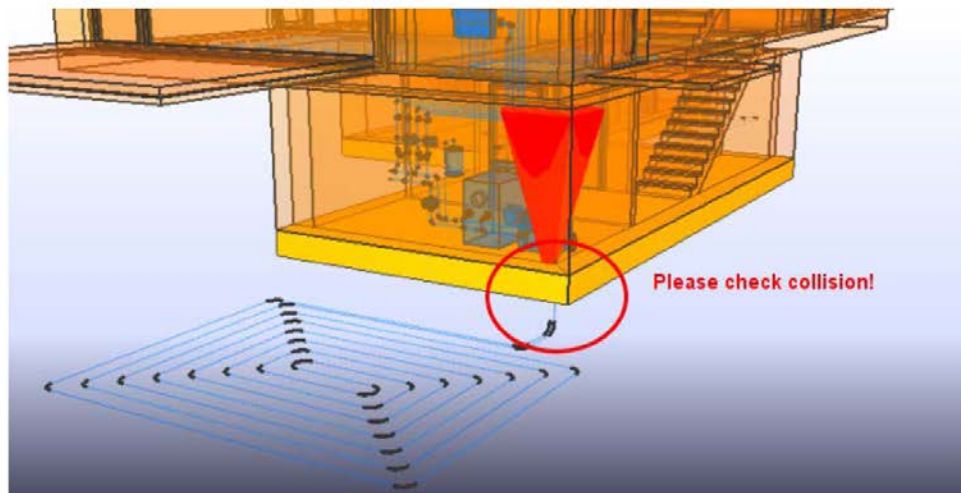
```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<Markup xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">
  <Header>
    <File />
  </Header>
  <Topic Guid="ca545396-a7cc-4b5e-b4c2-363d8e2b7d7a" TopicType="Error">
    <ReferenceLink />
    <Title>Wrong material</Title>
    <BimSnippet SnippetType=".pdf" isExternal="true">
      <Reference>https://example.com/MaterialRequirements.pdf</Reference>
    </BimSnippet>
  </Topic>
  <Comment Guid="0618d78f-f49f-4639-933b-eb6602ce79fa">
    <VerbalStatus>Error</VerbalStatus>
    <Status>Error</Status>
    <Date>2015-01-24T14:47:00.3693677+01:00</Date>
    <Author>dangl@iabi.eu</Author>
    <Comment>Exterior walls should be concrete, see material Requirements.</Comment>
    <Topic Guid="ca545396-a7cc-4b5e-b4c2-363d8e2b7d7a" />
  </Comment>
</Markup>
</xml>
```

XML files describing issues, references and communication...

viewpoint.bcf

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<VisualizationInfo>
  <Components>
    <Component IfcGuid="2Azo4miOD9B84By1NOJja5">
    </Component>
    <Component IfcGuid="32Z0kEuDoJGuqA2F8911d7" Selected="true">
    </Component>
    <Component IfcGuid="3ldrnWN0wgHhTsieFhtKp">
    </Component>
    <Component IfcGuid="3w1MgpXIT6U8u4qlxRu2sF" Selected="true">
    </Component>
  </Components>
  <PerspectiveCamera>
    <CameraViewPoint>
      <X>15.80562710392240</X>
      <Y>4.19635611453430</Y>
      <Z>7.90620706183190</Z>
    </CameraViewPoint>
    <CameraDirection>
      <X>0.43339237177743</X>
      <Y>0.40764911231111</Y>
      <Z>-0.80373705483641</Z>
    </CameraDirection>
    <CameraUpVector>
      <X>0.58544956094423</X>
      <Y>0.55067419124860</Y>
      <Z>0.59498466088035</Z>
    </CameraUpVector>
    <FieldOfView>65.0000000000000</FieldOfView>
  </PerspectiveCamera>
</VisualizationInfo>
```

BCF XML is a file format



... thumbnails to describe a problem,
viewports like camera positioning and IfcEntity highlighting.

BIM Collaboration Format

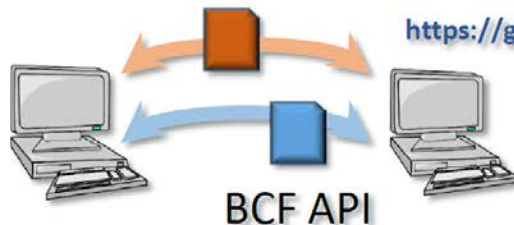
BCF is...



BCF XML

<https://github.com/BuildingSMART/BCF>

A ZIP-container with BCF-Data represented as a physical file format




<https://github.com/BuildingSMART/BCF-API>

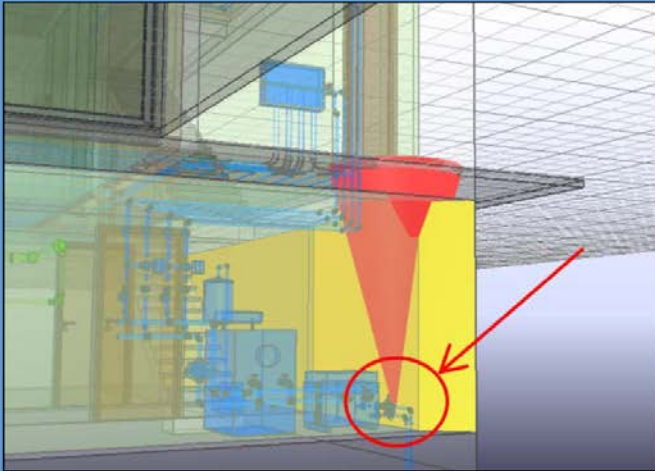
BCF API

A webservice supporting the direct exchange of BCF-data between applications

BCF REST API via HTTP

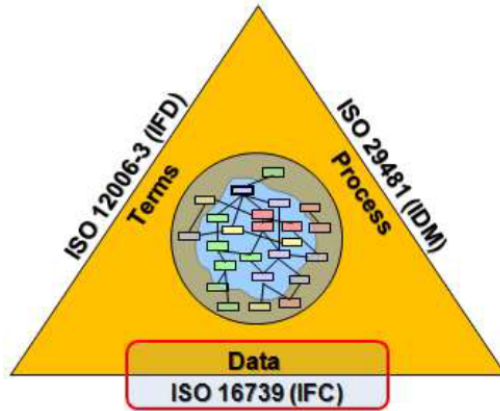
BCF Workflow example – User view

Author	john@doe-construction.com
Date	Friday, March 13th, 2015
Title	Clash in HVAC installation
Priority	High
Message	<p>Dear partners,</p> <p>I noticed a clash in the HVAC installation. Please see the thumbnail for a simple sketch. Geometric information is included in the Viewpoint. Fix ASAP. I'm attaching the clashing entities.</p>
BIM Snippet	Problem.simpleIfcXML 



IDM och MVD

IFC•IDM•MVD



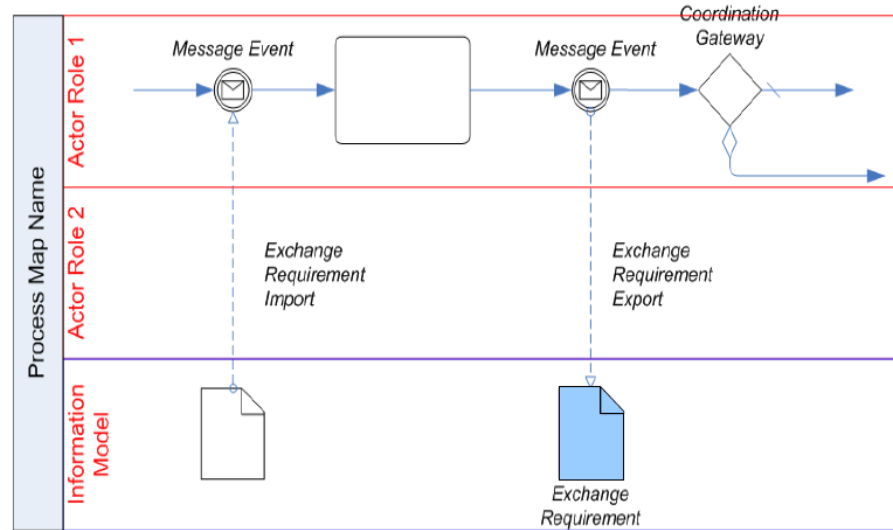
IDM (Information Delivery Manual) :

The ISO 29481-1:2010 “Building information modelling - Information delivery manual - Part 1: Methodology and format” standard has been developed by buildingSMART in order to have a methodology to capture and specify processes and information flow during the lifecycle of a facility.

MVD (Model View Definition) :

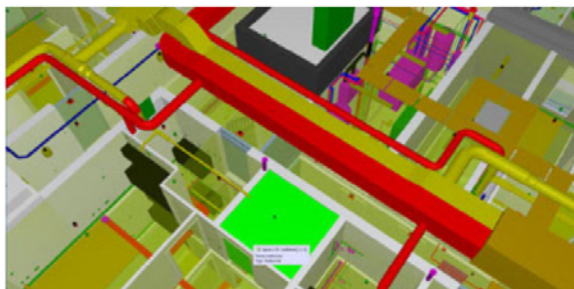
An IFC View Definition, or **Model View Definition, MVD**, defines a subset of the IFC schema, that is needed to satisfy one or many **Exchange Requirements** of the AEC industry. The method used and propagated by buildingSMART to define such Exchange Requirements is the **Information Delivery Manual, IDM** (also ISO 29481).

Showing an Exchange Requirement



An 'Exchange Requirement' is always shown in a process map as a data object within the Information Model swimlane.

Model View Definition Summary



Model View Definitions

Official buildingSMART Model View definitions, MVD's, are published here.

Quick links for developers:

- [IFC2x3 Coordination View V2.0](#)
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buildingSMART Model View Definitions

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The official Model View Definitions are published by buildingSMART using the [neutral mvdXML format](#), the mvdXML delivery is integrated into the documentation package of the MVD accessible through this website. buildingSMART has developed the software tool [ifcDoc](#) for defining and documenting MVD's.

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official Model View Definitions developed by buildingSMART

The following Model View Definitions are currently developed and are available as official buildingSMART Model View Definition:

Model View Definitions for IFC4

The two successors of the IFC2x3 Coordination View V2.0 designed for IFC4 are buildingSMART final standards.

- the [IFC4 Reference View](#)
- the [IFC4 Design Transfer View](#)

The main difference of mvdXML-based definitions of IFC4 MVD's to earlier publications of MVD's in general is the publication as:

- a [full documentation and schema definition subset for human reference](#) (so no need to look into different documentations to find MVD relevant information)
- a [computer readable publication as mvdXML and as EXPRESS & XSD sub schemas](#) (so MVD's can be parsed, filtered and later validated)

Model View Definitions for IFC2x3

These are the MVD's that are currently in place and supported by software tools.

- the [IFC2x3 Coordination View Version 2.0](#) (available - supersedes IFC2x3 Coordination View) (currently in process of finalization and providing the basis for IFC2x3 Coordination View Certifications from 2010 onwards)

The IFC2x3 Coordination View Version 2.0 can be extended by the following add-on model view definitions. An add-on view extends a base MVD by some small concepts that need to be supported in addition to support additional exchange requirements. The currently defined add-on views include:

- the Quantity Take-off add-on view - it adds the ability to transmit base quantities for all spatial, building, building service and structural elements.
- the [Space boundary add-on view](#) - it supports the use case of using BIM in thermal and energy analysis by adding building element to space relationships.
- the 2D Annotation add-on view - it supports the exchange of additional 2D element representations and annotations of building models

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Model View Definitions developed outside of buildingSMART International

Several other Model View Definitions are currently under development by organizations or development teams outside of buildingSMART International. They may be submitted to and accepted by buildingSMART International to become official buildingSMART International MVD's at a later point. Once accepted, those MVD's will be published here.

MVD development resources

buildingSMART International develops the ifcDoc tool to streamline the IFC and MVD development process. See [MVD overview](#) about news and how to download or join the development program.

The official buildingSMART software certification center, <http://gtids.buildingsmart.com>, also has the capability to create MVD documentation, link it to the certification test cases and rule checking and to export the mvdXML definitions.

Purpose of the IFC4 Reference View

The main purpose of the IFC4 Reference View is to define a standardized subset of the IFC4 schema, a Model View Definition MVD, that is particularly suitable for all BIM work flows that are based on reference models, where the exchange is mainly one-directional. Here requested modifications of the BIM data, mainly of the shape representation, are handled by a change request to the original author, and changes not executed upon the imported IFC data to be sent back to the original source.

Examples of this reference workflow are:

- Coordination planning (combining different discipline specific IFC models for visual checking)
- Clash detection (finding clashes between different discipline specific IFC models)
- Background reference (loading an IFC model, usually from a different discipline) as a linked model
- Quantity take-off (determine the quantities of the various model elements with the IFC model)
- Construction sequencing (taking the IFC model and associating it to a construction schedule)
- Visual presentation (for presenting the IFC model to a broad audience)

Common characteristics of the workflow using reference models are:

- The source of the BIM information remains with the originator
- The full parametric behaviour, and thereby the intellectual engineering property, remains with the originator
- The ownership of the model, and responsibility for its correctness, remains with the originator
- The original model is published as IFC4 Reference View model reflecting the as-is status
- The receiver of the IFC4 Reference View model has access to the full model content
- The receiver of the IFC4 Reference View is not supposed to modify the model
- The receiver of the IFC4 Reference View can analyse and extract the information of the model
- If the receiver demands a change, it has to be communicated as a change request to the originator
- The buildingSMART standard BCF is developed to efficiently support these change requests.

The Level of Detail of the shape representation and the Level of Information for the property content of the actual reference models depends on the source model. The buildingSMART standard IDM (Information Delivery Manual) can be used to determine the minimum content for a particular workflow support. The IFC4 Reference View allows rich content to be published, see next chapter [Objective](#) for more details.

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IFC4 RV Objective



IFC4 Reference View

The IFC4 Reference View targets all work flows that are based on reference models. Read more:

- [Objective](#)
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Objective of the IFC4 Reference View

The main objective of the IFC Reference View is the widest possible proliferation of IFC BIM data across a big range of software application types supporting different communication and collaboration workflows.

The IFC Reference View is characterized by the ability to publish BIM data following that subset of IFC definitions that enables semantically rich content of building data, and to some degree also other built environment data, to be exchanged with a streamlined geometric representation that is optimized for analysis and display, but excludes dimension-driven geometric parameters. The geometric representation is therefore suitable for all workflow scenarios, where the imported IFC model is displayed, analysed, compared, clashed, but not parametrically modified for further work processes.

Semantic building data models being exchanged using the IFC4 Reference View would typically include:

- physical elements with explicit geometry, properties, quantities, material, and classification
- types of elements with associated physical elements to group common definitions (geometry, properties, material, and classification)
- spatial elements (spaces, zones) with explicit geometry, properties, quantities, and classification
- spatial structure elements (site, building, story), but also spatial zones for non-vertical construction
- element breakdown structure between physical elements (assemblies, sub-assemblies, parts)
- spatial breakdown structure between spatial elements (spatial decomposition of building, story or zones)
- spatial containment structure between spatial elements and physical elements (elements in spatial zone)
- logical system structure and assignment (physical elements assigned to systems and sub systems)
- topological structure of system networks (element to port, and port to port, relationship)
- common context of the building model, providing units, coordinate system and GIS positions
- general object identification using globally unique identifier

Additional capabilities for enriching the semantic information exposed by the IFC4 Reference View can be defined as an Add-on Model View Definition. Forseeable examples are capturing 4D models with the addition of the work schedule related entities, or 5D models with the addition of construction resource related entities.

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IfcAsset	
IfcInventory	
IfcStructuralLoadGroup	
IfcStructuralLoadCase	
IfcStructuralResultGroup	
IfcSystem	X
IfcBuildingSystem	X
IfcDistributionSystem	X
IfcDistributionCircuit	X
IfcStructuralAnalysisModel	
IfcZone	X
IfcProcess	
IfcEvent	
IfcProcedure	
IfcTask	
IfcProduct	X
IfcAnnotation	
IfcElement	X
IfcBuildingElement	X
IfcBeam	X
IfcBeamStandardCase	
IfcBuildingElementProxy	X
IfcChimney	X
IfcColumn	X
IfcColumnStandardCase	

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