

GIS for Federal Buildings: BISDM Version 2

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PAPER SESSIONS

Managing Federal Real Property

Thursday, February 18 – 8:30-10:00 – Room 143C

Users from four different Federal agencies will explain some of their recent work in applying GIS to improve the management of their real property assets. Applications include supporting multiple sites, integrating with ArcGIS Web services and Google Earth, decision support solutions, and a facility data fusion solution.

Managing Real Property - Civilian Agency Applications

Thursday, February 18 – 10:30-12:00 – Room 143C

Users from various Federal civilian agencies will share their experiences in spatially enabling real property management applications. Examples will include a spatially enabled decision support solution, an application to optimize your interior space utilization, plus asset management and project management solutions.

Managing Real Property – Defense Agency Applications

Thursday, February 18 – 2:00-3:30 – Room 143C

Assets and services at Defense installations support numerous military missions and need to be managed in a cost-effective, safe, sustainable, and environmentally sound manner. In this session, you will hear from representatives of the Pentagon, Marine Corps, Navy, and Air Force on ways to improve the management of these vital assets.

Technical Workshops

GIS for Federal Buildings: BISDM Data Model Version 2

Thursday, February 18 – 4:00-5:30 – Room 156

This workshop will present recent revisions to the Building Interior Space Data Model (BISDM) version 2 template. The BISDM template has been successfully used and adapted in a number of real-world projects to meet a variety of enterprise integration and business application requirements in the past year.

GIS for Federal Buildings: 3D GIS for Facilities

Friday, February 19 – 8:30-10:00 – Room 156

New 3D GIS capabilities in ArcGIS provide facility managers with a set of tools to manage and assess existing facilities, as well as evaluate planned facilities. Attendees will be introduced to the different 3D display platforms and various spatial analysis tools.

GIS for Federal Buildings: Data Input, Editing and Management

Friday, February 19 – 10:30-12:00 – Room 156

As facilities managers consider implementing an enterprise solution, the most common issues are managing disparate data. How do I bring my paper drawings, spreadsheets, GIS, and CAD data into a common database to serve as the platform for an enterprise facilities management solution? This workshop will discuss the process, workflows, data models, and tools required to input, edit, and manage an enterprise facilities management database.

User Group Meeting

SIG – Buildings & Facilities Data Theme

Friday, February 19 2:30-4:00 Room 156

Topics

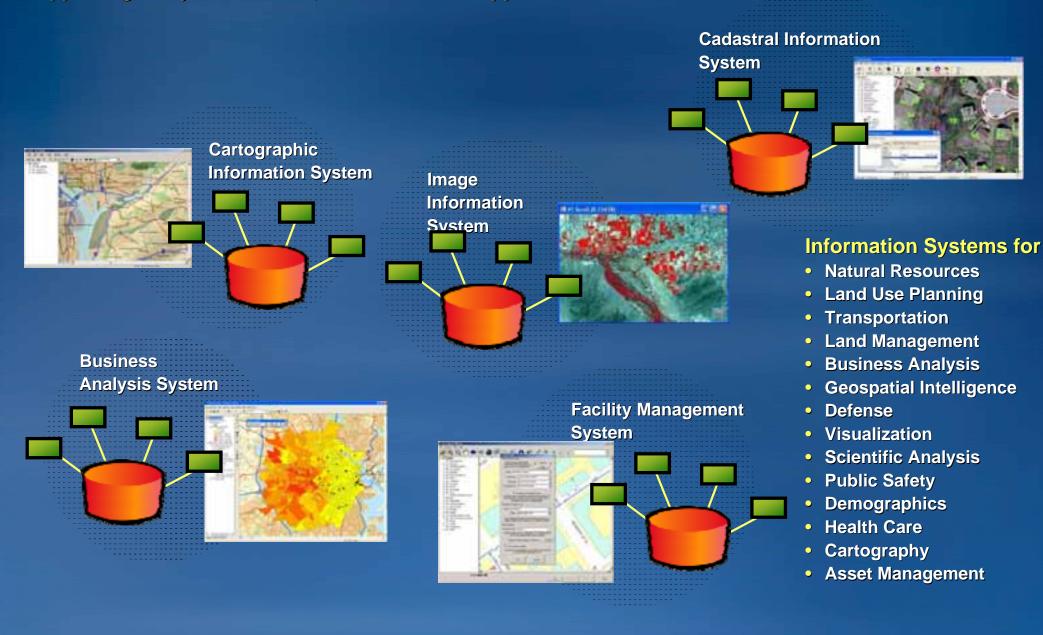
- Quick History of BISDM effort
- Layout of BISDM Version 2 and Supporting Resources
- Core Object Model and Attribute Enhancements
- New Support for Assets and BIM-GIS integration PTC's
- BISDM Version 3 Highlights (Late Summer 2010)
 - support for 3D objects and transportation networks



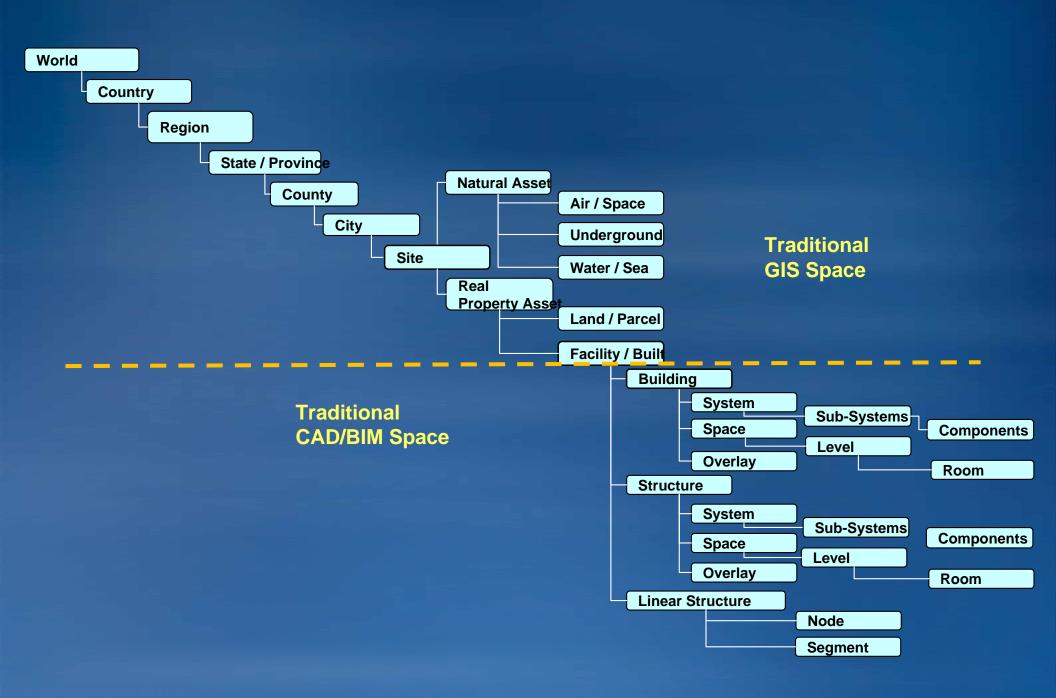
Quick History of BISDM Effort

GIS Is Core Technology It is used to build Information Systems

Supporting Many Professions, Workflows and Application Domains



Total Scalability Using GIS



Total Scalability Using GIS



Manage, Analyze, and Report building data at all scales



Fiber / Telecom
Power / Water / HVAC
Emergency / Security
Environmental / Energy Star
Alternative Energy



Rooms Equipment Furniture



ESRI Geodatabase Data Models

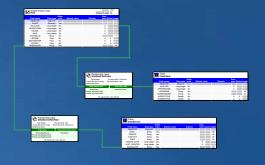
Standardized Templates for Many Fields



- Address
- Agricultural
- Atmospheric
- Base Map
- Biodiversity
- Carbon Footprint
- Census-Admin
- Boundaries
- Defense-Intel
- Energy Utilities
- Environmental
- Forestry
- Geology
- Groundwater
- Health

Thematic Layers

- Historic Preservation& Archaeology
- Homeland Security
- Hydro
- IHO
- Land Parcels
- Local Government
- Marine
- National Cadastre
- Petroleum
- Pipeline
- Telecommunications
- Transportation
- Water Utilities
- Building Interior Space



ESRI's Building Interior Space Data Model (BISDM) for GIS

An user community effort

- Started in summer 2007
- Build template to serve many uses cases and compatible technologies
- Real-world project tested
- Support property, building, and asset objects
- Models, supporting documentation, data loading tools, and sample viewers at www.esri.com/datamodels





Geodatabases support Real Property Industry Specifications

- Defining and measuring building space
 - BOMA and FICM



- Classifying building space -- form, function, assets
 - Open Standards Consortium for Real Estate (OSCRE)
 - OmniClasstm
- Building information models (BIM)
 - NBIMS a buildSMART initiative
 - Industry Foundation Classes (IFC)
- Building object information exchange
 - Construction Operations Building Information Exchange (COBIE) a buildSMART initiative

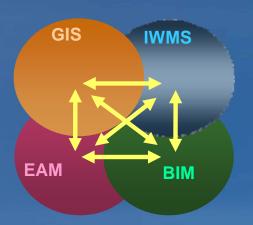
Split and Merged BISDM's

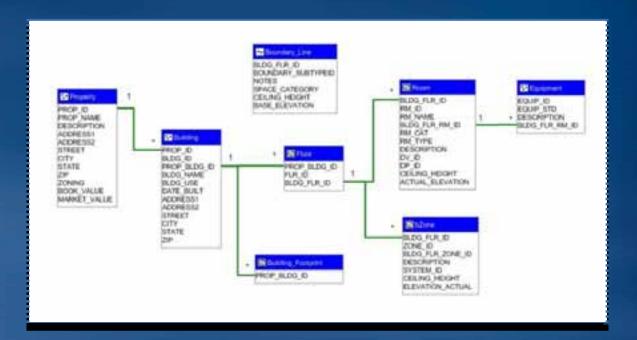
- Merged
 - -GIS only





- GIS + BIM/EAM/IWMS





Interior_Space

Building ID Floor ID Room ID Bidg/Fir/Room ID Ceiling Height Actual Elevation

Building_Point

Property Building ID

■ Building_Footprint

Property Building ID

Property ID

Building ID

Property ID

Building ID

■ Room_Info

Building ID Floor ID Room ID Bldg/Flr/Room ID Room Category Room Type Description Division

Department

Equipment ID Building ID Floor ID Room ID

Building ID Floor ID

Zone ID Bldg/Flr/Zone ID Ceiling Height Actual Elevation

Building ID Property ID Prop/Bldg ID **Building Use** Date Buill Address Line 1 Address Line 2 Street

■ Building_Info

City State Code Zip/Postal Code

Equipment

Ⅲ Equipment_Info Equipment ID Equipment Standard Description Building ID Floor ID

Room ID

■ Building_Zone

Building ID Floor ID Zone ID Bidg/Fir/Zone ID Description

Property Point Property ID

Description Address Line 1 Address Line 2 Street Name City State Zip/Postal Code Zoning Type Book Value

Market Value

Property ID

■ Property_Info

System ID

■ Building Zone Info

Boundary Line

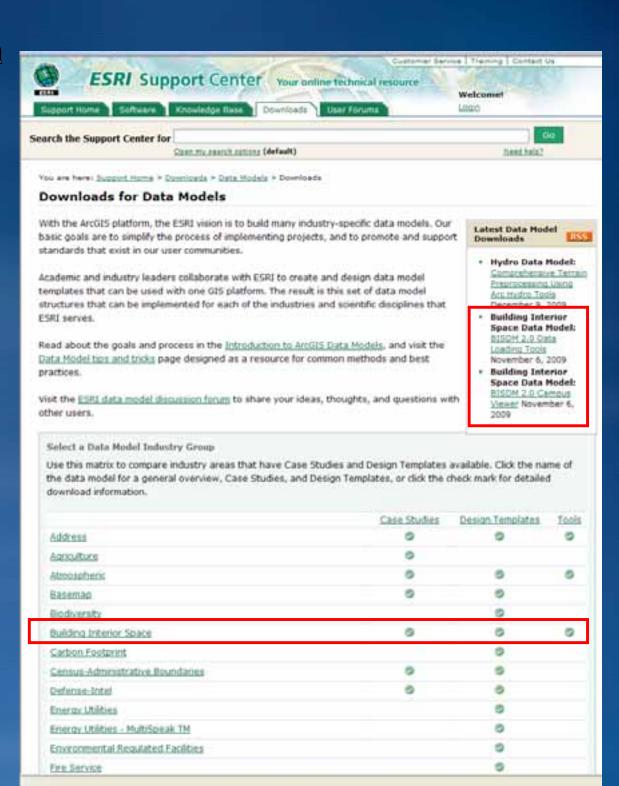
Property ID Building ID Floor ID Boundary SubTypeID Notes Space Category Ceiling Height Base Elevation

Subtypes Boundary Line

Centerline Door Exterior Door Line Exterior Wall Line Exterior Window Line Phantom Wall Window

ESRI Geodatabase Data Models

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Layout of BISDM Version 2 and Supporting Resources



Core Object Model and Attribute Enhancements

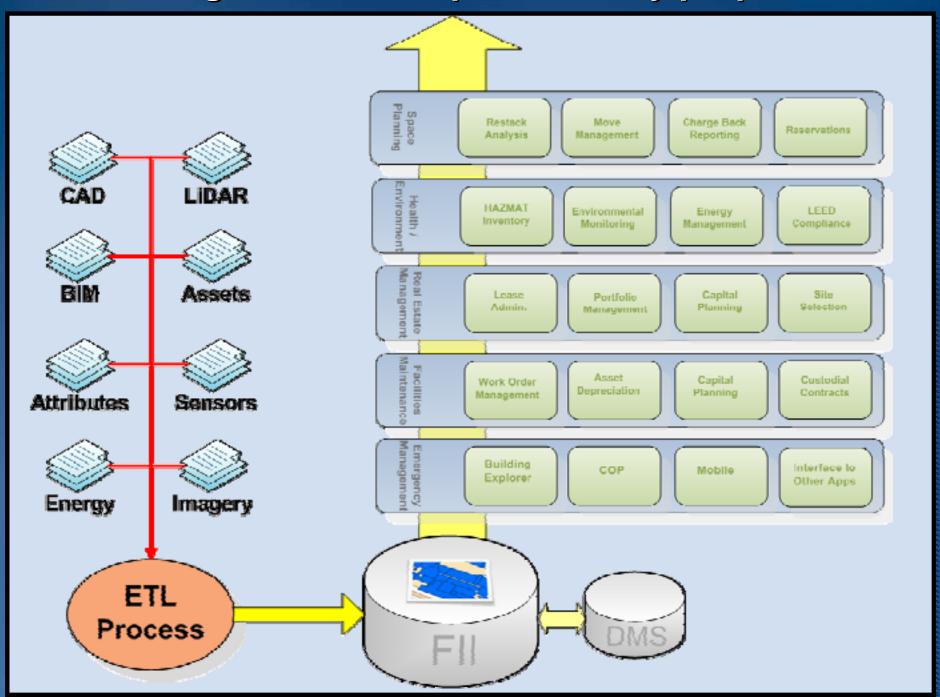
Facilities GIS Serves Many Masters

Public Safety

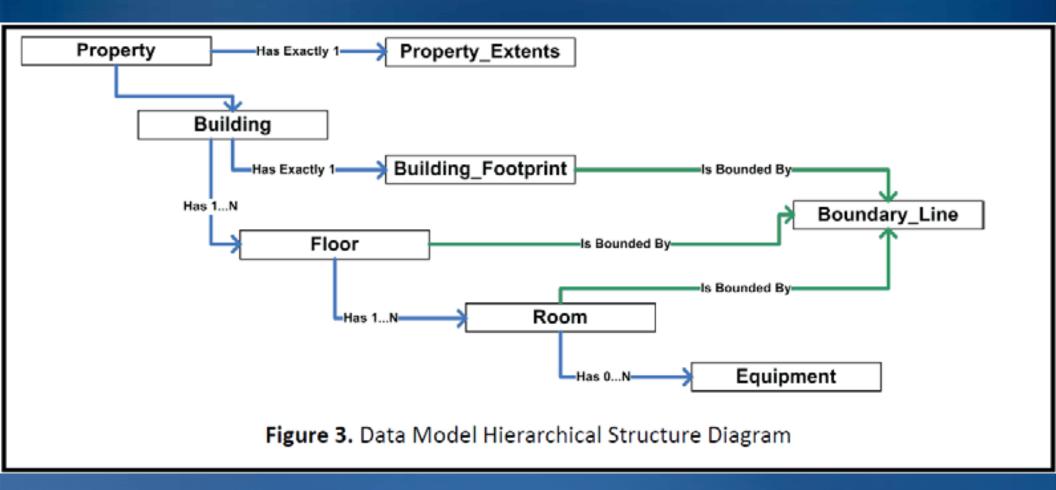


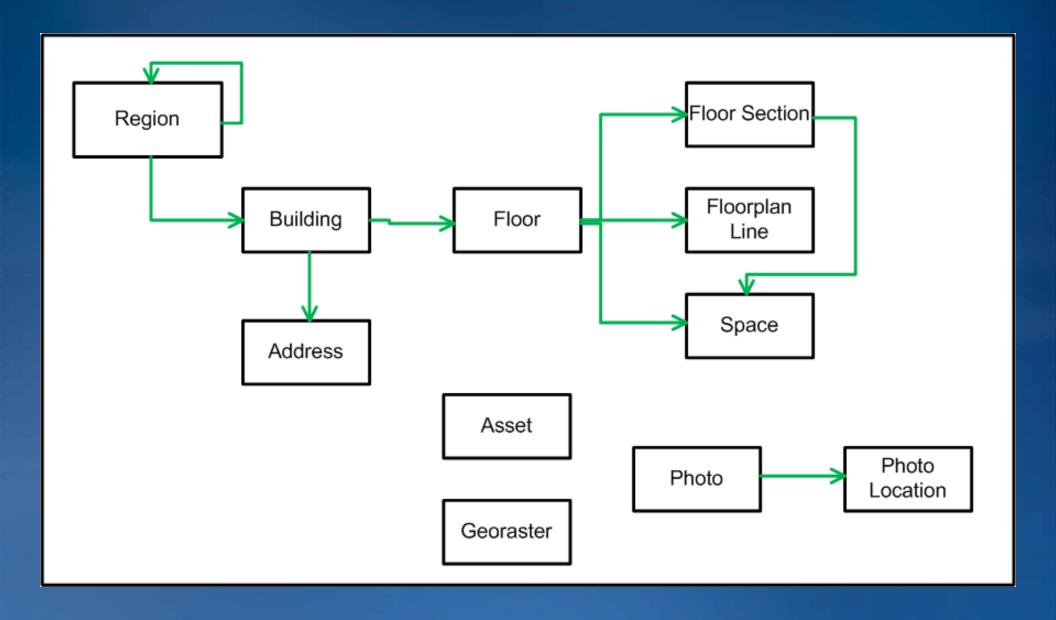
Real Property

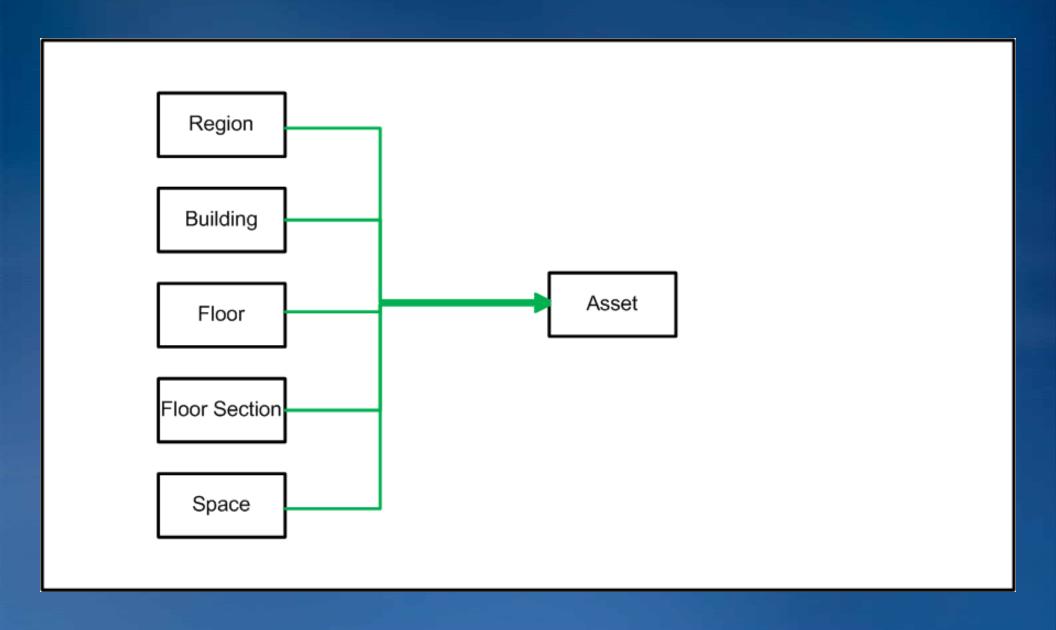
BISDM is designed to be adapted to many purposes

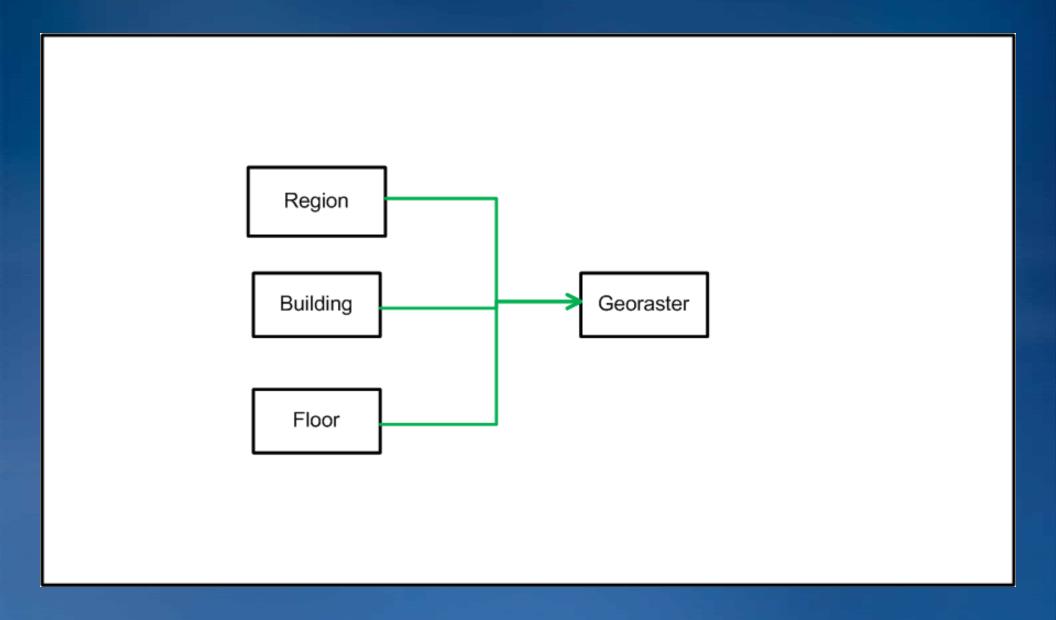


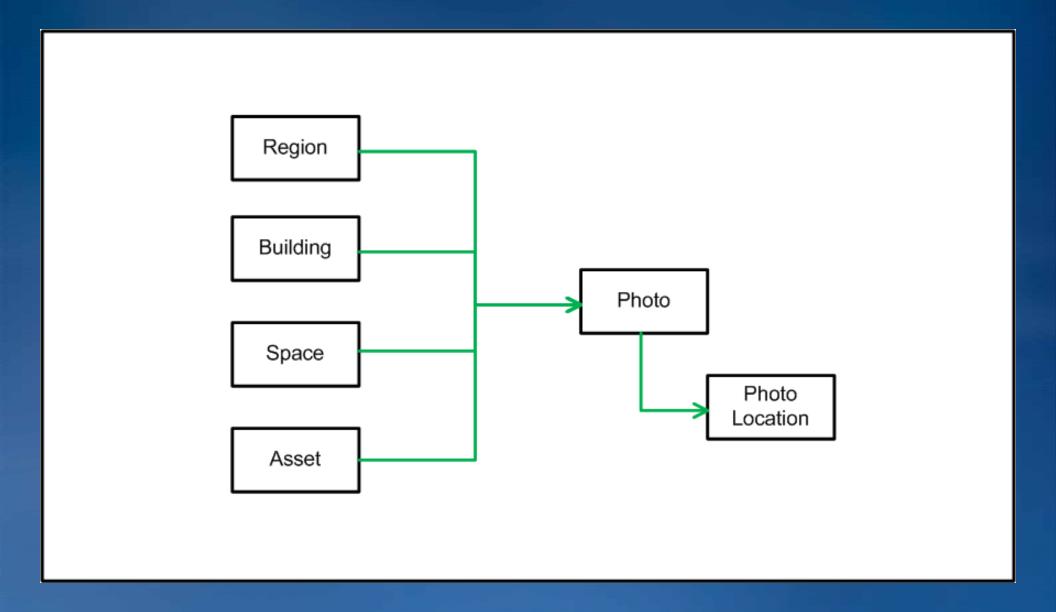
BISDM 1.0











I Floor	Represents the floors contained in a building.
FLOORID BUILDINGID SHORTNAME VERTICALORDER BASEELEVATIONM DESCRIPTION LASTUPDATE LASTEDITOR	The unique identifier for the floor. Used to identify the building in which this floor is found. The floor number if there is one (e.g. 1, 1B, 2), otherwise null. Used to reliably sort the floors by vertical order as base elevation is not always known. The base elevation of the floor in meters. A short description of the floor (e.g. 'Basement'). The last date when this record was updated The user name of the person that made the last update

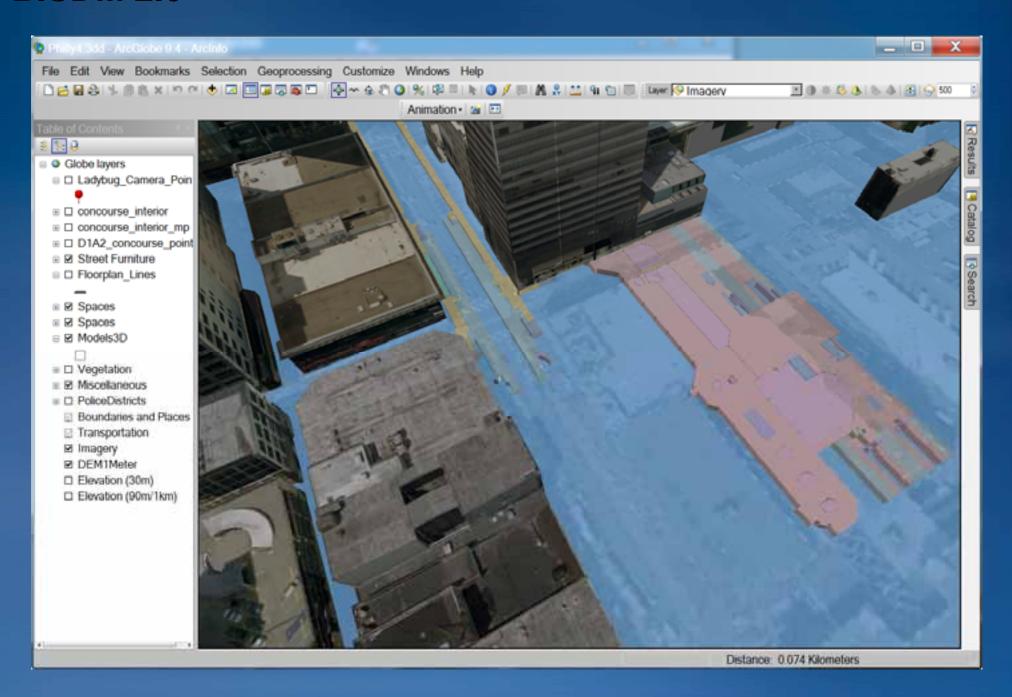
I FloorSection	Represents a logical or physical division of a single floor. One or more floor sections define a wing, zone, etc.
SECTIONID	The unique identifier for the floor section.
FLOORID	Used to identify the floor to which the floor section belongs.
SHORTNAME	The name of the floor section (e.g. 'East Wing').
SECTIONTYPE	Type of floor section
DESCRIPTION	A short description for the floor section.
HIGHVERTORD	High vertical order for a path that spans multiple floors
LOWVERTORD	Low vertical order for a path that spans multiple floors
LASTUPDATE	The last date when this record was updated
LASTEDITOR	The user name of the person that made the last update

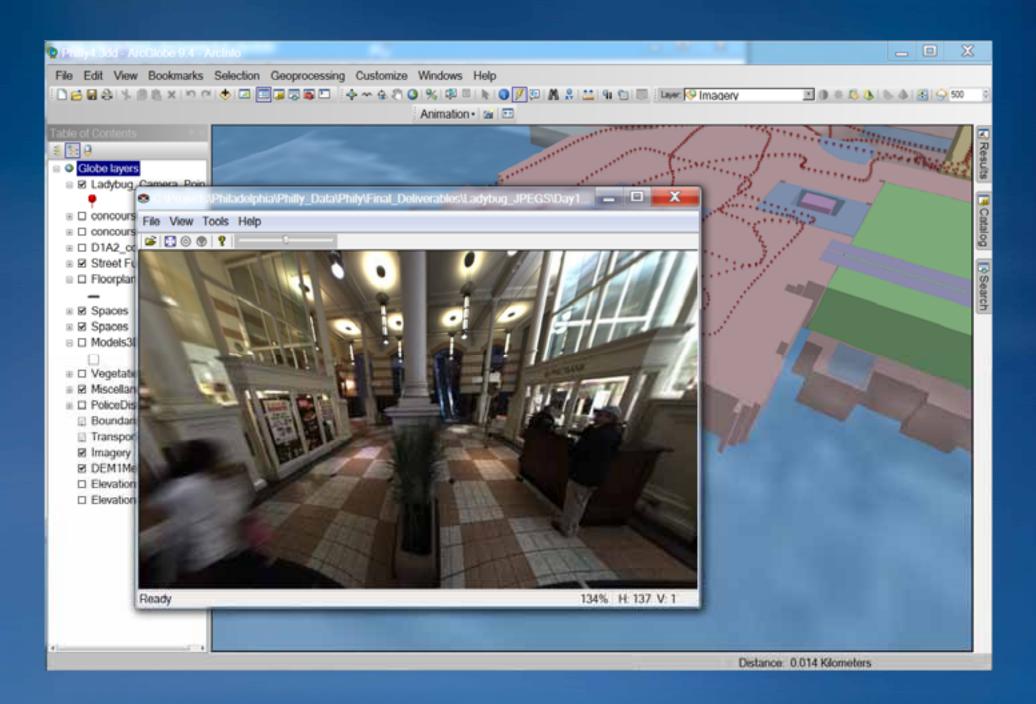
LASTEDITOR

InteriorSpace Represents an interior space such as hallways, rooms, and stairwells. The unique identifier for the space. SPACEID Used to identify the floor in which this space is found. FLOORID Used to identify the floor section (e.g. wing, zone) in which the space is found. SECTIONID The space name/number if there is one, otherwise null. SHORTNAME A short description for the space. DESCRIPTION Used to identify the space type if there is one, otherwise null. SPACETYPE The space name if there is one, otherwise null. LONGNAME The measurement standard to which the space boundaries are drawn (e.g. BOMA, FICM, etc.). If MEASUREMENTSTD null, no measurement standard can be assumed. SPACECATEGORY Used to identify the space category if there is one, otherwise null. BASEELEVATION The base elevation of the space if known, otherwise null. CEILINGHEIGHT The most common ceiling height for the space if known, otherwise null. CEILINGMATERIAL Used to identify the ceiling material for the space if known, otherwise null. FLOORMATERIAL Used to identify the floor material for the space if known, otherwise null. DEPARTMENT The department to which this space belongs (e.g. 'Engineering'). DIVISION Company Division NOTES Used to store additional notes about the space. ACCESSTYPE Used to identify the access type for the space (e.g. private, public). CAPACITY The total number of occupants allowed in this space. OCCUPANCY The total number of occupants assigned to this space. REPAREA The reported area of the space in meters. REPPERIMETER The reported perimeter of this space. REPWINDOWAREA The reported window area for this space in meters. STATUS The status of the space (e.g. Closed for repair). ORGANIZATION Used to identify the organization assigned to the space. LASTUPDATE

The last date when this record was updated

The user name of the person that made the last update







New Support for Assets and BIM IFC's

BIM Provides Benefits for Design and Construction

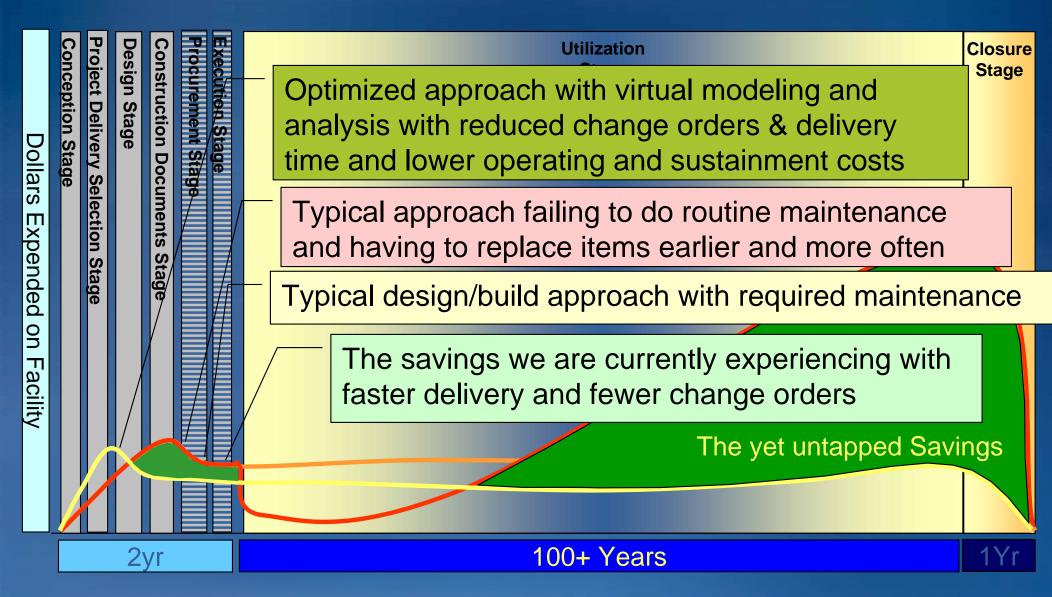
- Improved design process
- 3-D visualization for owner
- Coordination between disciplines
- Interference checking
- Facilitates energy efficiency and LEED
- Automated quantity take offs
- 4-D scheduling
- Improved documentation of design intent
- Potentially used for fabrication







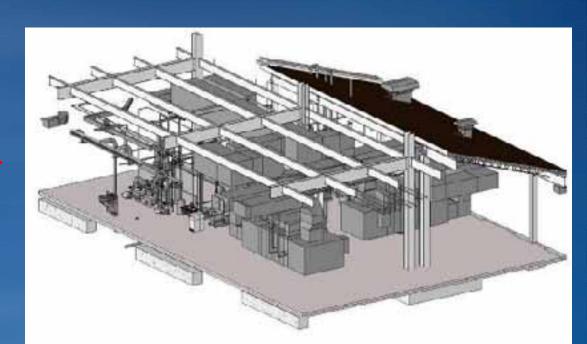
BIM is Not being used for Lifecycle Asset Management



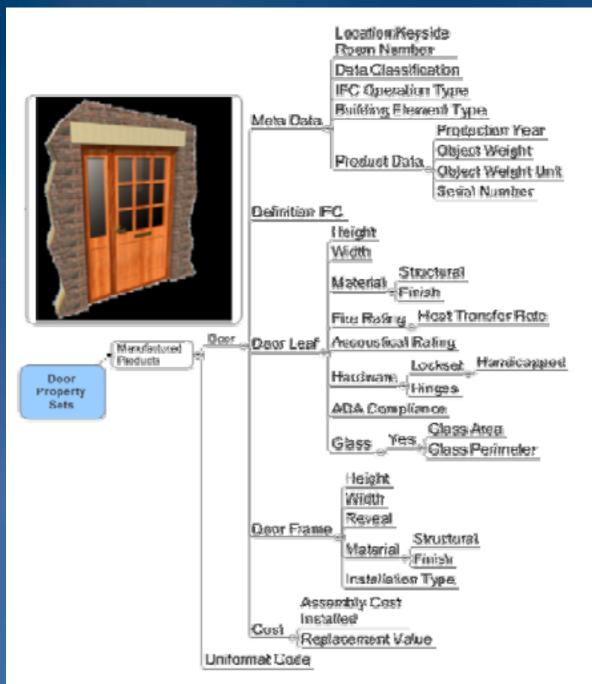
Should We Use BIM As a Spatial Data Repository?

- File-based
- Proprietary data formats
 - Exports to IFC not uniform
- Not easily query-able across multiple facilities
- Not scalable to large number of users
 - -BIM Server technology limited to design focus
- Limited security
- No clustering, failover, etc.

Not a Viable Solution –
The Spatial Repository
Should be GIS



Elements in BIM are Created at a High Level of Detail



This data is required to convey the information needed to construct the facility.

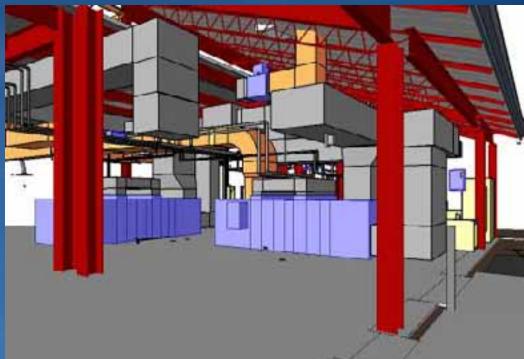
All BIM products export BIM data to and Industry Foundation Classes (IFCs)

Door Data Property Sets Courtesy AEC Infosystems, Inc.

BIM to GIS Integration Issues

- BIM is MUCH richer in detail than a GIS database should be
- BIM contains all the information needed to construct a building, but not to manage it
 - Space polygons
 - Occupant information
 - Asset details (make, model, etc.)
 - Equipment maintenance data
- The missing data is supplied by COBie

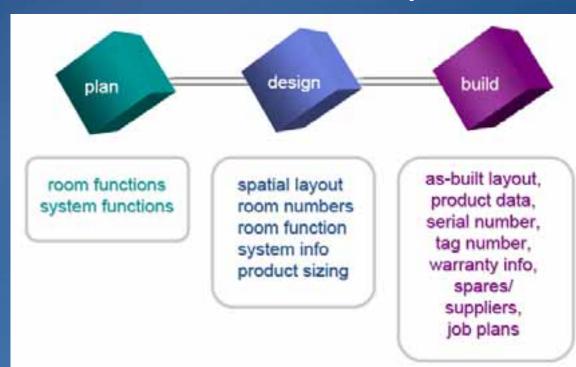


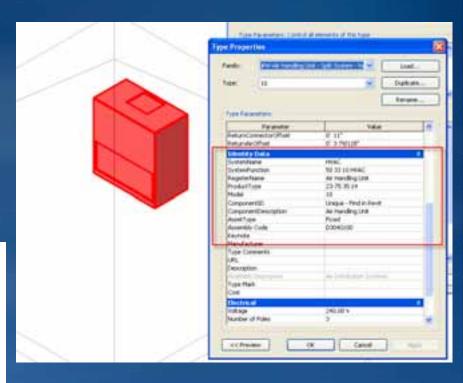


Construction Operations Building Information Exchange (COBie) adds Tabular Information to BIM

Capture tabular data needed by the owner as it is created by

- Designers
- Constructors
- Commissioning Agents
- Industry participation
 - BIM vendors now export to COBIE
 - CMMS/CAFM vendors import COBIE





- Some of the COBie data belongs in GIS
- GIS Asset tables need to store a sufficient level of detail

BISDM Asset Data Feature Classes

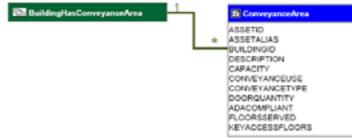
Proposed Assets Class Names:

ConveyanceArea(polygon) ConveyanceFlow(line, geometric network) ConveyanceJunction (point, geometric network) ElectricalEquipment(point) ElectricalConductor(line) ElectricalArea(polygon) FireProtectionEquipment(point) FireProtectionConduit(line) FireProtectionArea(polygon) HVACEquipment(point) HVACConduit(line) HVACArea(polygon) PlumbingFixture(point) PlumbingConduit(line) PlumbingArea(polygon) StructuralFixture(point) StructuralMember(line) StructuralArea(polygon)

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Conveyance
Electrical
Fire Protection
HVAC
Plumbing
Structural
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Mimics the structure of IFCs

Conveyance Feature Classes



The footprint of an area designated for transporting people or goods.

PK. Unique identifier for the conveyance asset. FK to a CMMS.

Common name for the conveyance Area (e.g NW Stainwell, Main Lobby Escalator)

The Building ID of the building in which the area resides

Description of the area

Load capacity of the system (e.g. lbs of passengers or freight). How the conveyance system is used (e.g. Passenger, Freight).

The type of conveyance system (e.g. Elevator, Escalator, Stairwell)

Number of doors to which the area can be entered/exited

is the conveyance system ADA Compliant?

Comma separated list of floors served

Comma separated list of secure floors served

Domain: DYesNo FieldType: String		
Code	Name	Ξ
Yes	Yes	
No	No	

Domain: DConveyanceUse What is the primary commodify transported by the conveyance system

Code Name

Freight Passencer

Passencer

Fr ConveyancePath

ASSETID
ASSETALIAS
BULDINGID
DESCRIPTION
MAXFLOWVOLUME
ADACOMPLIANT
FLOORSSERVED
KEYACCESSFLOORS
HIGHVERTORD
LOWVERTORD

EMERGENCYUSE

A linear represenation of conveyance for networking/routing purposes

PK. Unique Identifier for the conveyance asset, FK to a CMMS.

Common name for the conveyance object (e.g. NW Stainwell, Main Lobby Escalator). The Building ID of the building in which the area resides.

Description of the path

Maxximum Flow Volume through this path (e.g. persons/minute; tons/hour)

Is the conveyance system ADA Compliant?

Comma separated list of floors served Comma separated list of secure floors served

High vertical order for a path that spans multiple floors

Low vertical order for a path that spans multiple floors

Type of emergency served by this path

Domain: DConveyanceType FieldType: String		
Code	Name	
Elevator	Elevator	
Escalator	Escalator	
Stainwell	Stainwell	
MovingWalkway	Meving Walkway	

What is the specific type of conveyance object (relates to IFC standard object or other table of this type within external system like CMMS)

Domain: DEmergencyType FieldType: String	
Code	Name
None	None
Fire	Fire
Tomado	Tornado
Earthquake	Earthquake
Hurricane	Hurricane
ElashElood	Flash Flood

Type of Emergency

Electrical Feature Classes (Typical of Others)

ElectricalArea

Area footprint of large electric equipment or designated electric equipment zones

ASSETIO ASSETALIAS BUILDINGID DESCRIPTION AREATYPE

PK. Unique identifier for the electrical area asset. FK to a CMMS. Common name for the electric equipment area (e.g. Breaker Room; Generator Pad) The Building ID of the building in which the area resides or is associated

Type of electric area (e.g. closet; fenced area;)

Domain: DElectricAreaType FieldType: String Code Closet Closet Room Room FencedArea Fenced Area Pad Pad

Fr ElectricalConductor

CONDUCTORTYPE

ASSETID PK. Unique identifier for the conductor asset. FK to a CMMS. ASSETALIAS BUILDINGID

DESCRIPTION

Description of the area

The Building ID of the building in which the conductor resides Description of the asset Type of electrical conductor or conduit

A conductor wire through which electricity flows

Domain: DElectricConductorType FieldType: String Code

CableCarrierSegment

CableSegment

ElectricalCircuit

Type of electrical conductor or circuit, defined from IFC

Type of area for electrical equipment/purposes

ElectricalEquipment ■

ASSETIO ASSETALIAS BUILDINGID DESCRIPTION EQUIPMENTTYPE A point representation for electrical fixtures and equipment

PK. Unique identifier for the electrical equipment asset. FK to a CMMS.

Common name for the equipment object (e.g. Backup Generator, Main Floor Circuit Breaker)

Junction Box

LightFixture Outlet

ProtectiveDevice

SwitchingDevice Transformer

The Building ID of the building in which the asset resides

Description of the asset

Type of electrical equipment

Domain: DElectricEquipmentType FieldType: String CableCarrierFitting Cable Carrier Fitting CableFitting Cable Fitting Generator Generator Motor Motor

Junetion Bax Light Fixture

Transformer

Protective Device Switching Device

Outlet

Type of electrical equipment, defined from IFC

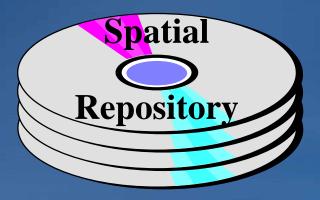
Cable Carrier Segment

Cable Segment

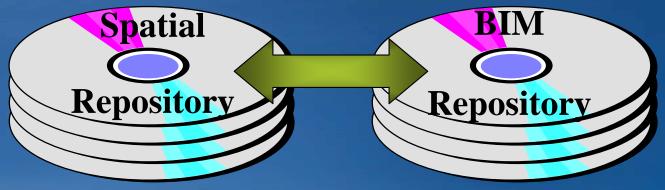
Electrical Circuit

Two Scenarios for Managing Asset Data in GIS

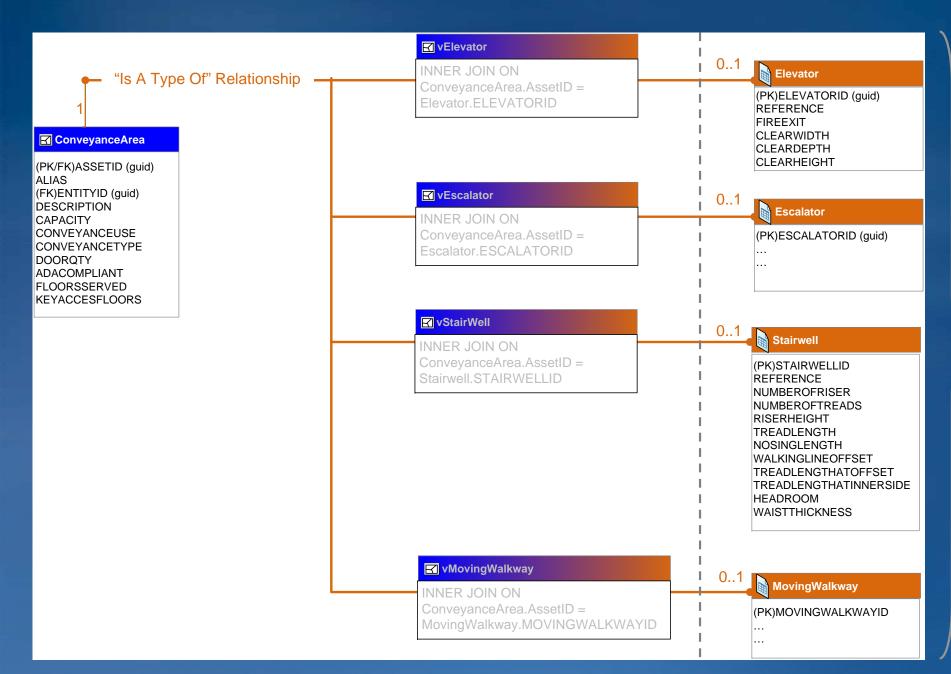
- Limited asset detail available
 No BIM
- Attributes maintained in GIS
- Simple data model



- BIM detail available
- Too much data to be maintained entirely within GIS
- BIM data stored in external database
 - -RDBMS
 - -BIM Server
 - -CMMS (COBie data)
- Split data model

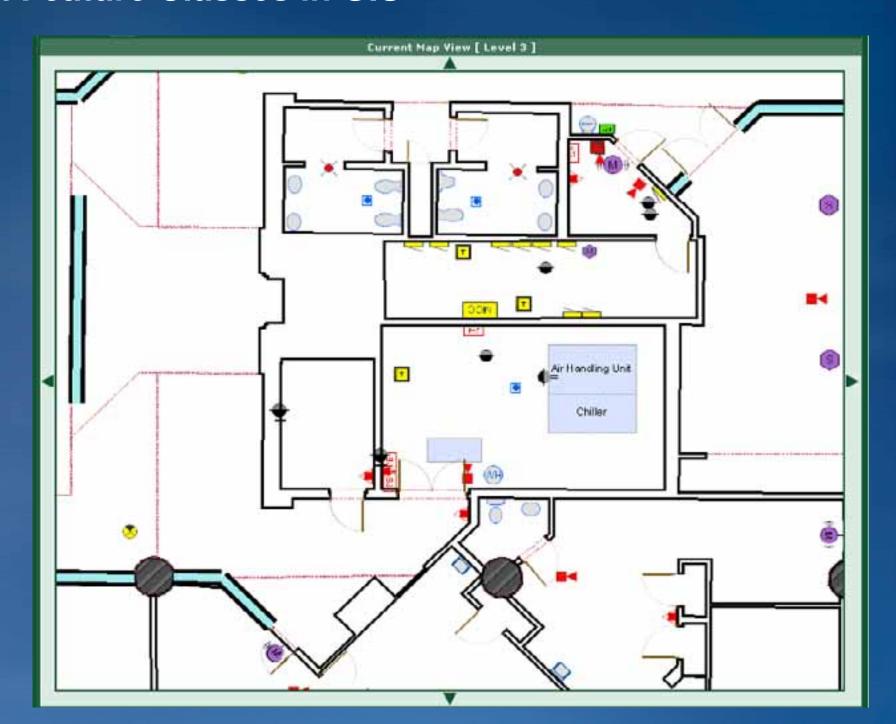


"Split" Data Model to Interface with External Database (or Future BIM Server)

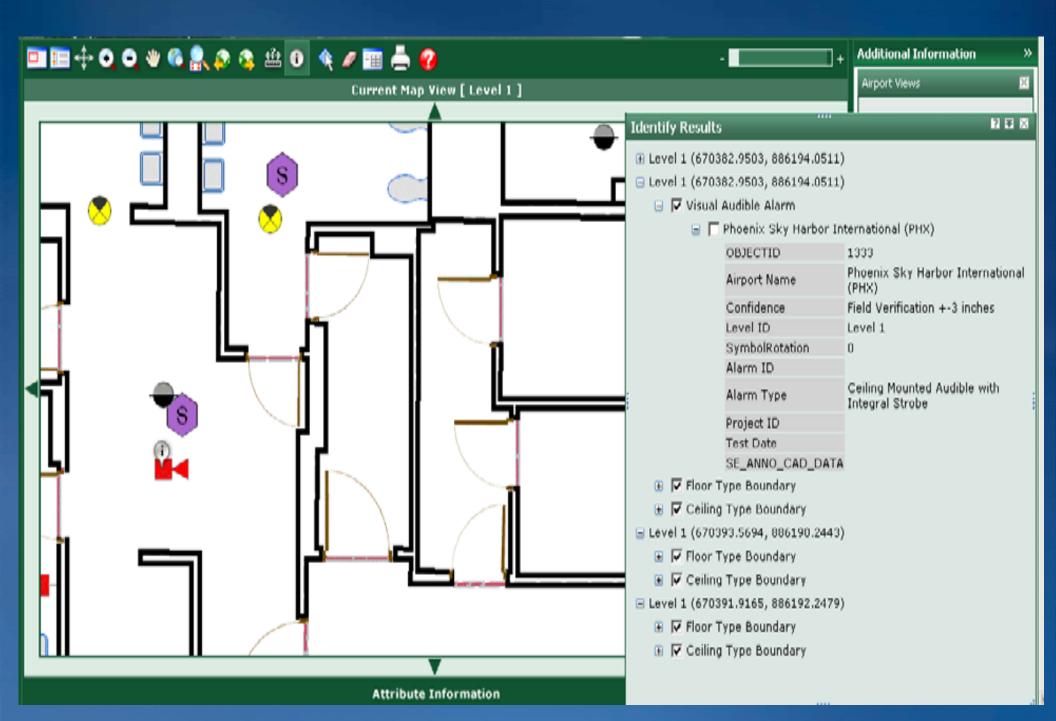


BIM Data

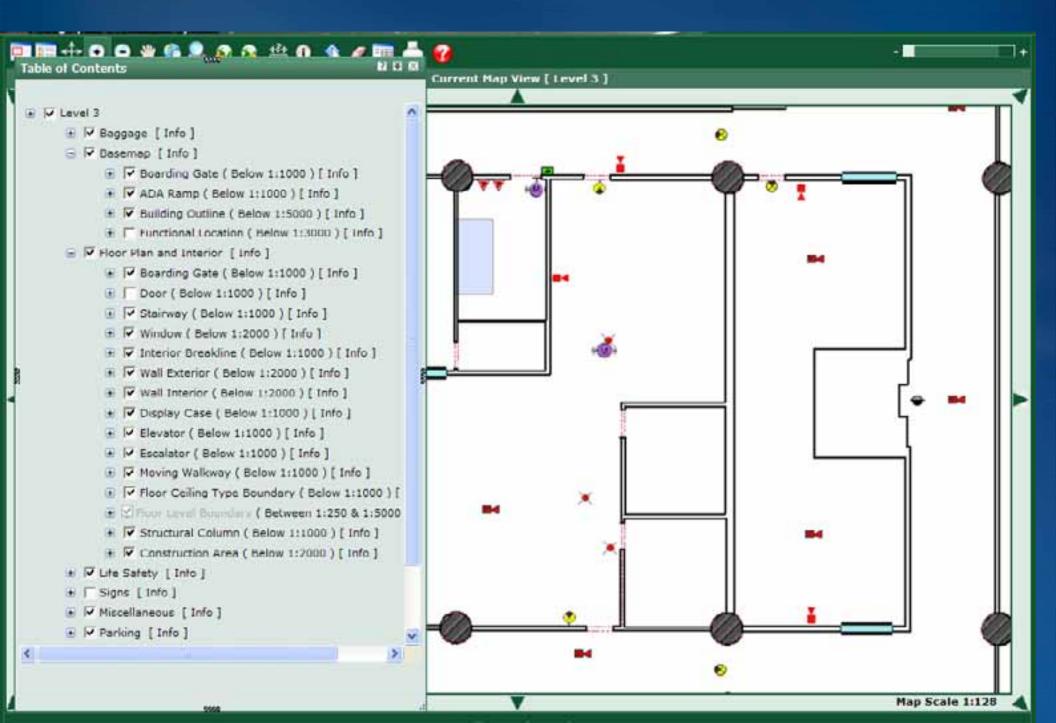
Asset Feature Classes in GIS



GIS Feature with Attribution



Interior Features In Table of Contents





BISDM Version 3 Highlights

Interior networks, integrated with exterior networks

- Can represent different modes of transportation
 - Hallways, stairs, escalators, elevators
- The ability to do route tracing
 - Ability to insert blocks in the network
 - Ability to block certain directions
- The ability to do transportation analysis
 - Nearest Facility
 - Travel distance and time analysis
 - Location/allocation
- Supported by new functionality available in 10
 - New Geometric support for vertical lines, including 3D length
 - New network solvers that produce 3D results

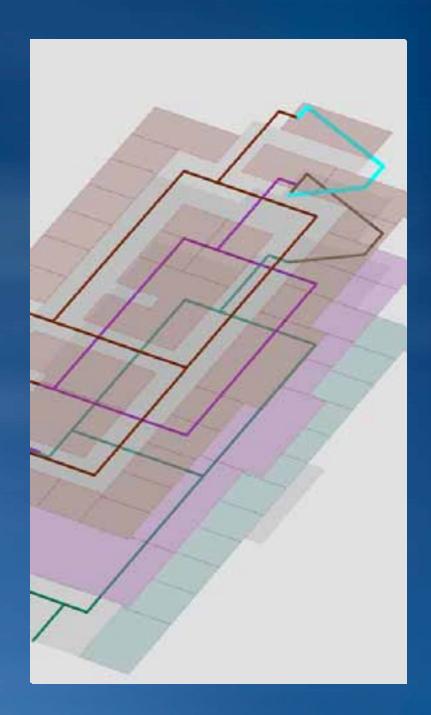
Basic Components

Simple feature of FloorLines	Geometry Polyline Contains M values Yes Contains Z values Yes						
Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Prec- ision		Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
SHAPE	Geometry	Yes					
Floor_Number	Long integer	Yes	1		0		
Building_ID	GUID	No					
Name	String	Yes					50
SLength	Double	No			0	0	
Wheelchair	Short integer	Yes	1	YesNo	0		
SHAPE_Length	Double	Yes			0	0	

Subtype	s of FloorLines			
•	pe field Floor_Number subtype 1	List of defined default	values and domains for su	btypes in this class
Subtype Code	Subtype Description	Field name	Default value	Domain
1	First Floor	No values set		
2	Second Floor	No values set		
3	Third Floor	No values set		

Simple feature of FloorTransitions	Geometry Polyline Contains M values Yes Contains Z values Yes						
Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Prec- ision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
SHAPE	Geometry	Yes					
TYPE	Short integer	Yes	0		O		
FromZLev	Short integer	Yes			O		
ToZLev	Short integer	Yes			O		
Building_ID	GUID	No					
Name	String	Yes					50
SLength	Double	Νo			O	O	
WheelChair	Short integer	Yes	0	YesNo	O		
SHAPE_Length	Double	Yes			0	0	

Subtyp	es of FloorTransitions			
	type field TYPE t subtype 0	List of defined default	values and domains for su	btypes in this class
Subtype Code	Subtype Description	Field name	Default value	Domain
1	Stairs	No values set		
2	Elevators	No values set		

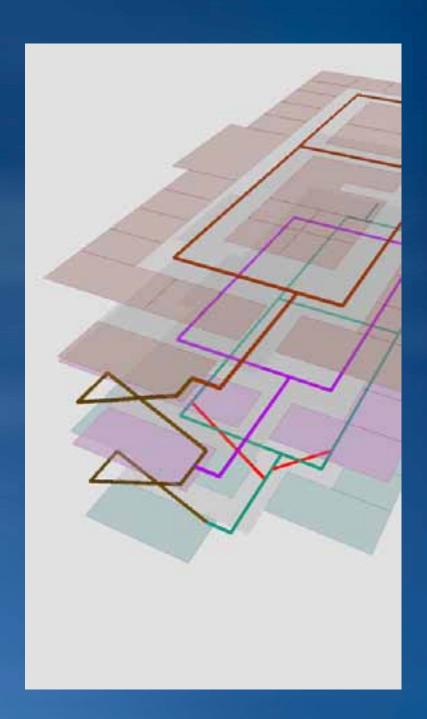


Modifiers to network behavior, and core objects

Simple feature of DelayTurns	Geometry Polyline Contains M values No Contains Z values Yes						
Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Prec- ision		Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
SHAPE	Geometry	Yes					
Edge1End	String	Yes	N				1
Edge1FCID	Long integer	Yes			0		
Edge1FID	Long integer	Yes			0		
Edge1Pos	Double	Yes			0	0	
Edge2FCID	Long integer	Yes			0		
Edge2FID	Long integer	Yes			0		
Edge2Pos	Double	Yes			0	0	
Edge3FCID	Long integer	Yes			0		
Edge3FID	Long integer	Yes			0		
Edge3Pos	Double	Yes			0	0	
WalkTime	Double	No			0	0	
SHAPE_Length	Double	Yes			0	0	

Simple feature of	class			Geometry Polyline Contains M values No					
RestrictedTurns	RestrictedTurns					Contains M values No Contains Z values Yes			
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Field name	Data type	nulls	Default value	Domain	ision	Scale	Length		
OBJECTID	Object ID								
SHAPE	Geometry	Yes							
Edge1End	String	Yes	N				1		
Edge1FCID	Long integer	Yes			0				
Edge1FID	Long integer	Yes			0				
Edge1Pos	Double	Yes			0	0			
Edge2FCID	Long integer	Yes			0				
Edge2FID	Long integer	Yes			0				
Edge2Pos	Double	Yes			0	0			
Edge3FCID	Long integer	Yes			0				
Edge3FID	Long integer	Yes			0				
Edge3Pos	Double	Yes			0	0			
SHAPE_Length	Double	Yes			0	0			

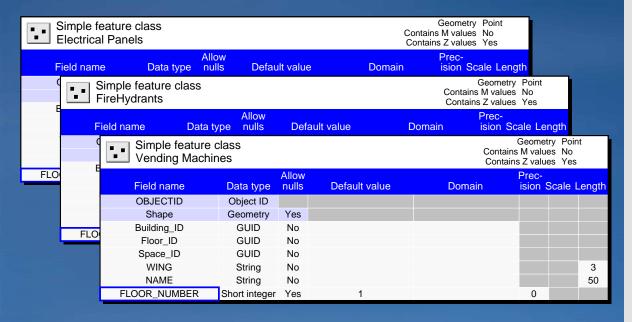
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	OBJECTID	Object ID					
	SHAPE	Geometry	Yes				
	Name	String	Yes			50	

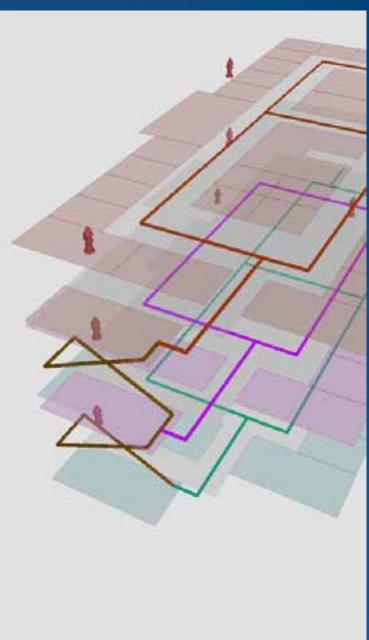


Components used in specific network solvers

Simple feature of OfficeCenters	Geometry Point Contains M values No Contains Z values Yes						
Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Prec- ision	Scale I	_ength
OBJECTID	Object ID						
Shape	Geometry	Yes					
Building_ID	GUID	No					
Floor_ID	GUID	No					
Space_ID	GUID	No					
WING	String	No					3
NAME	String	No					50
FLOOR_NUMBER	Short integer	Yes	1		0		

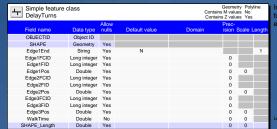
Subtyp	Subtypes of OfficeCenters							
	type field FLOOR_NUMBER t subtype 1	List of defined default	List of defined default values and domains for subtypes in this class					
Subtype Code	Subtype Description	Field name	Default value	Domain				
1	First Floor	No values set						
2	Second Floor	No values set						
3	Third Floor	No values set						





Interior networks, integrated with exterior networks





		Allow		-	tains Z value		
Field name	Data type	nulls	Default value	Domain	ision	Scale I	en
OBJECTID	Object ID						
SHAPE	Geometry	Yes					
Edge1End	String	Yes	N				1
Edge1FCID	Long integer	Yes			0		
Edge1FID	Long integer	Yes			0		
Edge1Pos	Double	Yes			0	0	
Edge2FCID	Long integer	Yes			0		
Edge2FID	Long integer	Yes			0		
Edge2Pos	Double	Yes			0	0	
Edge3FCID	Long integer	Yes			0		
Edge3FID	Long integer	Yes			0		
Edge3Pos	Double	Yes			0	0	
SHAPE_Length	Double	Yes			0	0	

del one way exits, such as fire capes and security doors.

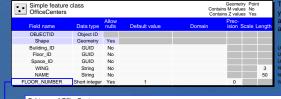
Components created/required by Network Analyst	

Simple feature of Transportation_			Geometry Point ins M values No ins Z values Yes		
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OBJECTID	Object ID				
SHAPE	Geometry	Yes			

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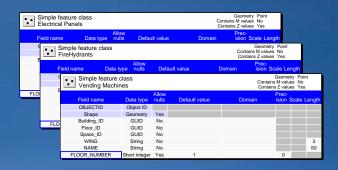
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SHAPE	Geometry	Yes					
Name	String	Yes					50





ou might want to route people to nd from. However, it could be any point feature such as assets.

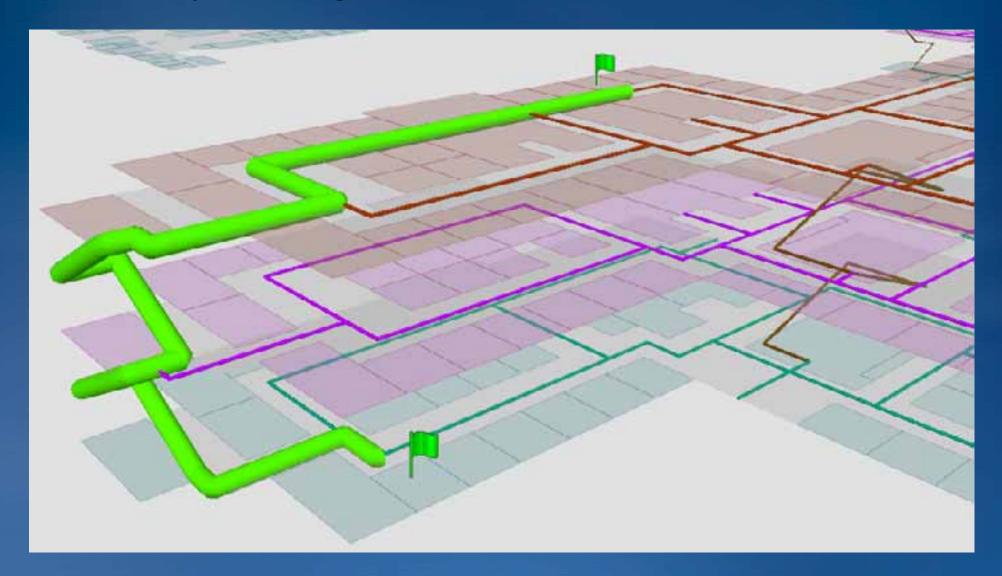
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Subtype field FLOOR_NUMBER								
Default subtype 1			List of defined default values and domains for subtypes in this class					
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- 1	First Floor		No values set					
2	Second Floor		No values set					
3	Third Floor		No values set					
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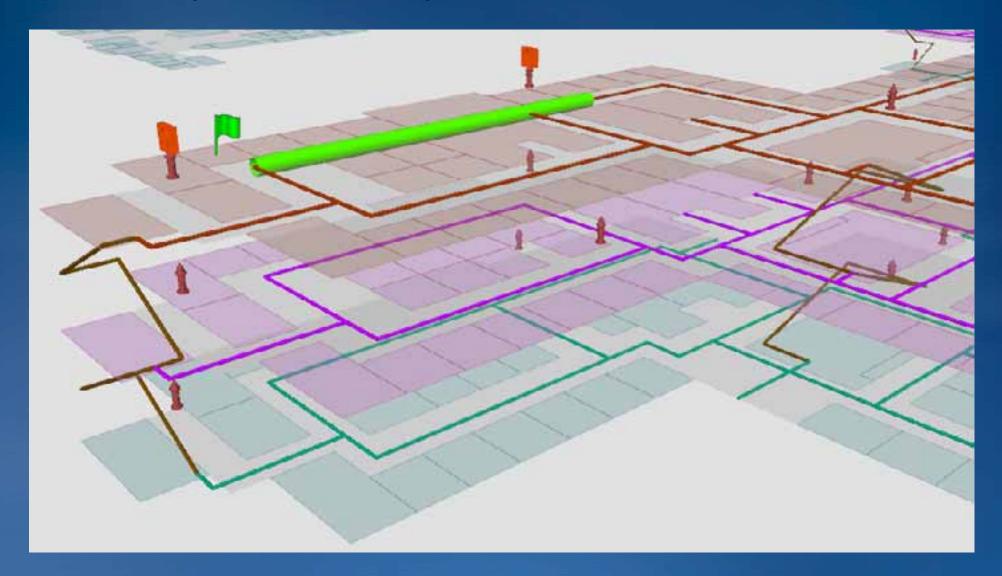
BISDM 3D Network Implementation

Demo

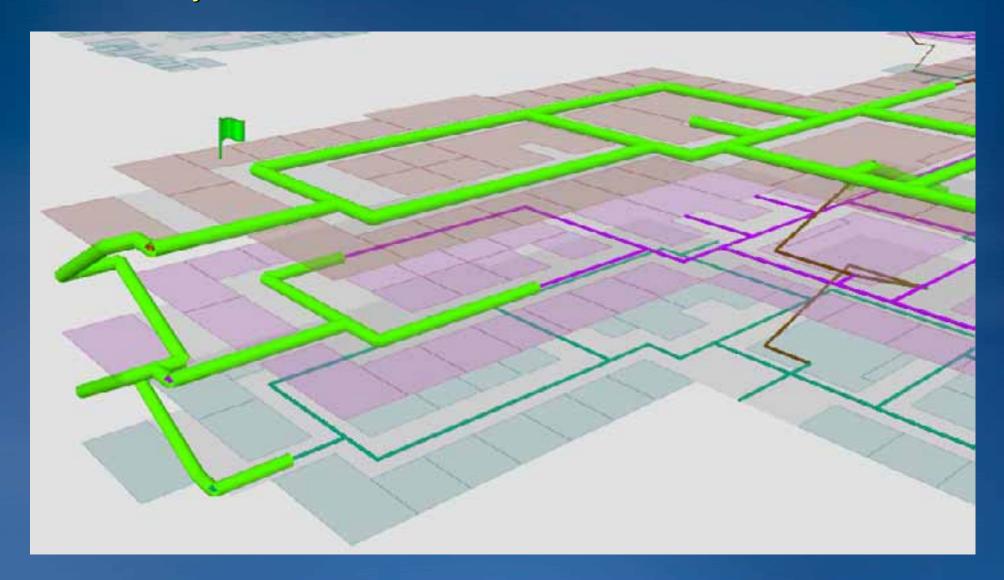
3D Network Analysis - Routing



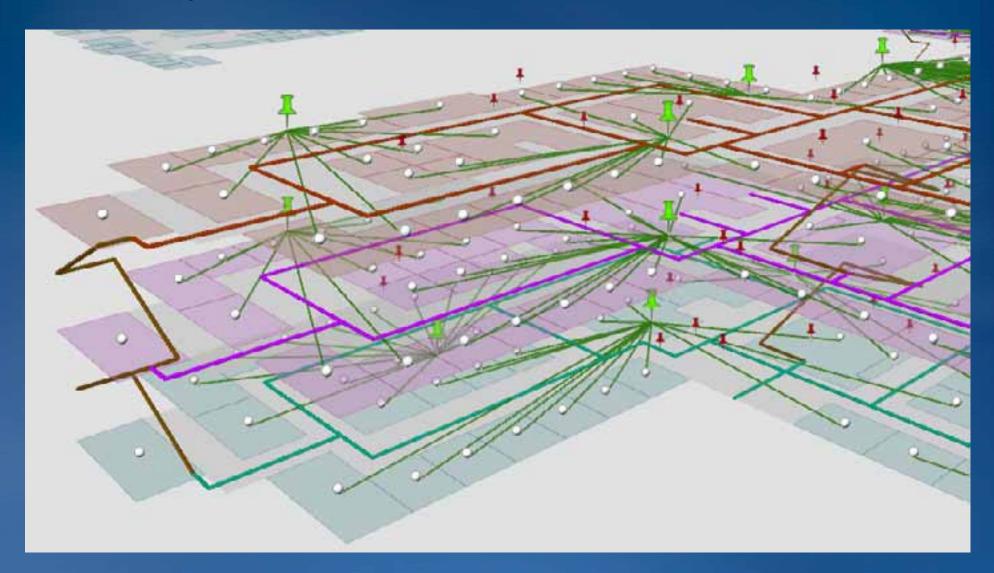
3D Network Analysis – Nearest Facility



3D Network Analysis – Network Reach



3D Network Analysis - Allocation



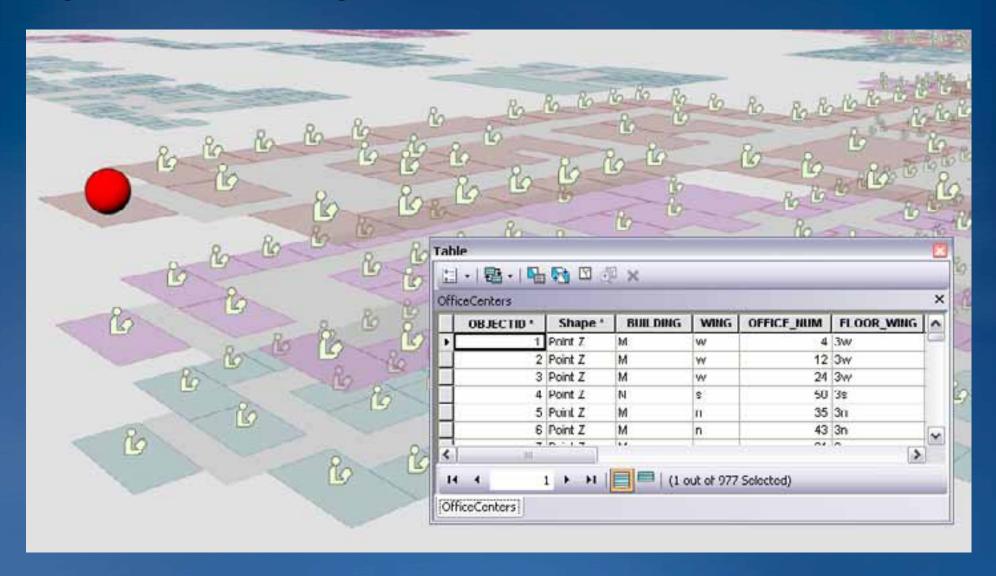
Schedule and next steps

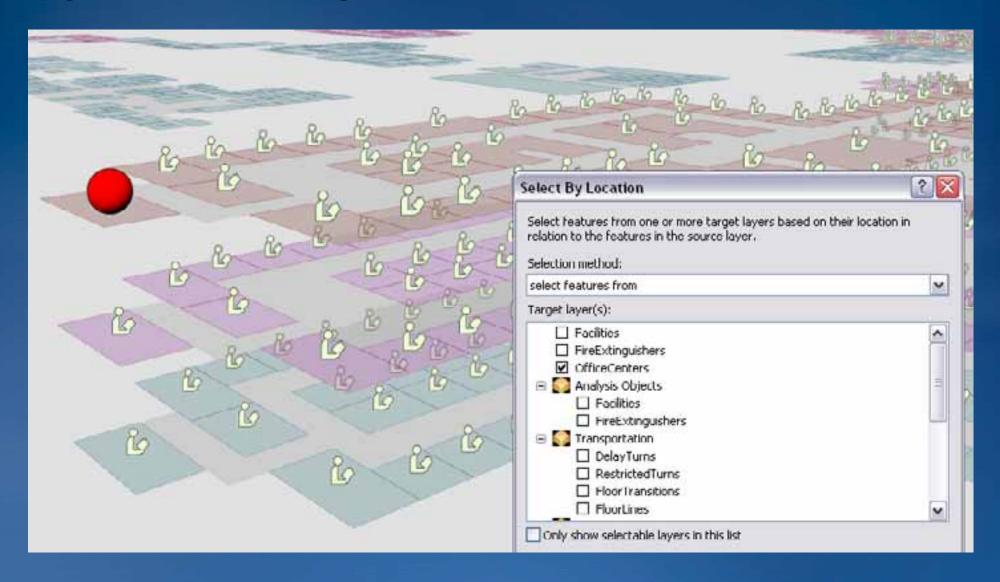
- Will be available with the next release of the BISDM model
 - Expected in the late Summer of 2010
- Dependant of the capabilities of ArcGIS 10
 - Requires Network Analyst
 - Does NOT require 3D Analyst
- Demonstration dataset will be available
- Next steps
 - Expansion of the network model to support 3D utilities
 - Starting with electrical and telecom
 - Followed with gas, water, waste-water
 - Currently possible by the creation of custom solvers
 - Generic "out of box" solution in development

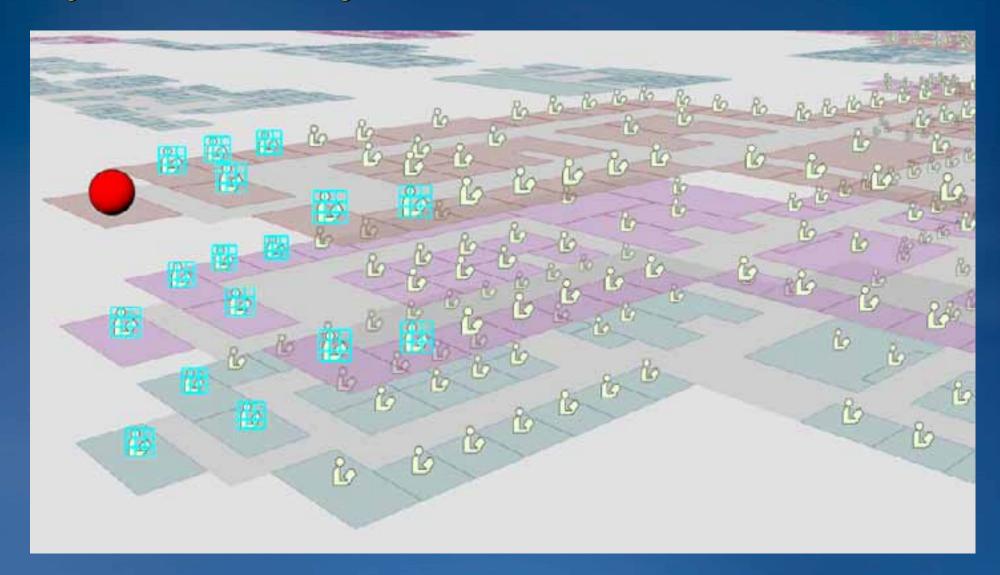
Method of representation, and creation

- Changes to methods of storing Z values
 - Storing Zs as part of the geometry
 - Only necessary for points, lines, and polygons
- Changes to geometric method of representation
 - Conversion of
 - Polygons to a multipatch volumes
 - Lines to a multipatch surfaces
 - Editing multipatches to create more complex volumes
 - Generating multipatches from lidar point clouds

- Can be done by
 - Creating a new feature class, Z enabled, based on old scheme
 - Loading old data into new feature class
 - Set z values based on an attribute via code
- Disadvantages
 - Harder to update elevations
 - Harder to select features by elevation
 - Can be mitigated by storing as attribute as well
 - Not as easy to do for features that have multiple Zs
- Advantages
 - Can use Feature Classes directly in geoprocessing
 - Consistent behavior between feature classes
 - Supports 3D Editing







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Changes to geometric method of representation

- Can be done by
 - Extruding a space layer by room height
 - Use Layer 3D to Feature Class to convert them to Multipatches
 - If edits are required
 - Export the multipatch to a Collada model
 - Edit the model in SketchUp, or another detailed 3D editing program
 - Replace the original multipatch using 3D Editing
- Disadvantages
 - Harder to edit
- Advantages
 - Can be used to calculate room volumes
 - Can be used in 3D Set Operator Analysis

Questions / Feedback