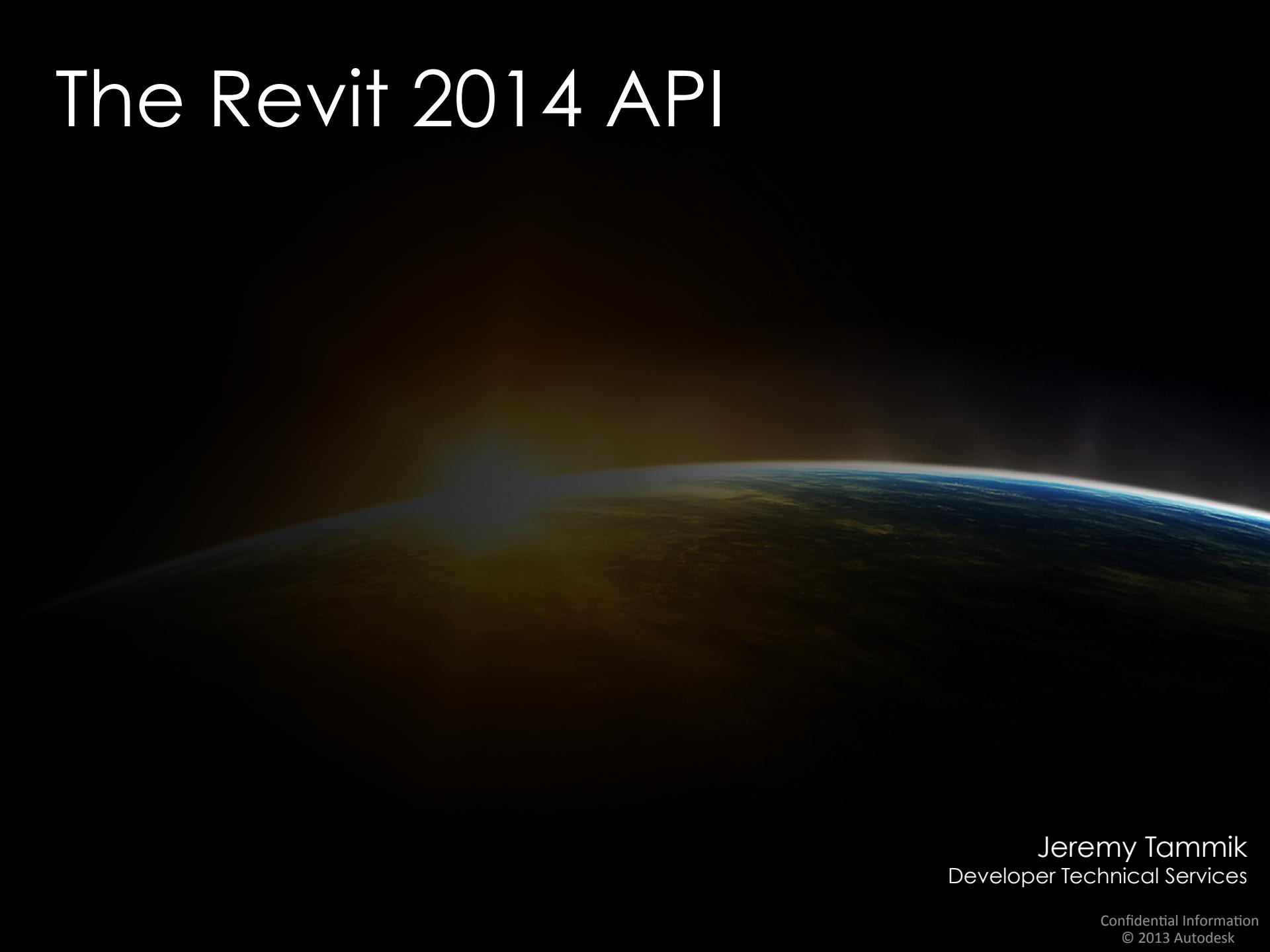


The Revit 2014 API



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Agenda

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About Me

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Jeremy is a member of the AEC workgroup of the DevTech team, providing developer support, training, and conferences to the Autodesk Developer Network ADN. He originally joined Autodesk in 1988 as the technology evangelist responsible for European developer support. In this capacity, he wrote articles, consulted, lectured on AutoCAD application programming techniques, and supported AutoCAD application developers in Europe, the U.S., Australia, and Africa. He was a cofounder of ADGE, the AutoCAD Developer Group Europe, and a prolific author on AutoCAD application development. He left Autodesk in 1994 to work as an HVAC application developer, and then rejoined the company in 2005.

Jeremy graduated with a MA in mathematics and physics in Marburg, Germany, in 1984, and worked first as a teacher and translator of both computer and human languages, then as a C++ programmer on early GUI and multitasking projects. He is fluent in five European languages, vegetarian, has four kids, plays the flute, likes reading, travelling, theatre improvisation and carpentry, loves mountains, oceans, sports and especially climbing.

Revit Products

- Four flavours of Revit
 - Revit Architecture
 - Revit MEP: Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing
 - Revit Structure
 - Revit One-Box including all, part of Autodesk Building Design Suite Premium and Ultimate
- Product build and distribution
 - DVD version posted to ADN member web site
 - Software & Support > Autodesk Revit or Autodesk Building Design Suite > Downloads
 - Posted once only
 - Web and Web Update version on Autodesk home page
 - Autodesk home page > Support > Service Packs & Downloads
 - Autodesk home page > Revit Products > Product Trial
 - Latest download version from the public product site

The Revit API and SDK

- RevitAPI.dll and RevitAPIUI.dll are present in every Revit installation
- The SDK is provided with the product
 - From Installer under 'Install Tools and Utilities'
 - From the extraction of RTM download version
<extraction folder>\Utilities\SDK\Revit2014SDK.exe
- Download latest update from Developer Center
 - <http://www.autodesk.com/developrevit>

Revit SDK Documentation

Read Me First.doc

Getting Started with the Revit API.doc

Revit Platform API Changes and Additions.doc

RevitAPI.chm

Add-In Manager

Samples

- SamplesReadMe.htm
- SDKSamples2014.sln

Revit API Developer Guide in Autodesk Wiki Help

<http://wikihelp.autodesk.com/Revit/enu/2014>

My First Plugin

<http://www.autodesk.com/myfirstrevitplugin>

- A self-paced tutorial assuming no programming knowledge
- 7 lessons to get you started with Revit programming
- Video and lessons can be downloaded

The screenshot shows a web page titled "My First Plug-in Training". The main content area features a dark background with a wireframe model of a building. On the left, there's a sidebar with navigation links: "My First AutoCAD Plug-in Overview", "My First Inventor Plug-in Overview", and "My First Revit Plug-in Overview" (which is highlighted). Below these are seven lesson links: "Lesson 1: The Basic Plug-in", "Lesson 2: Programming Overview", "Lesson 3: A First Look at Code", "Lesson 4: Simple Selection of a Group", "Lesson 5: Working with Room Geometry", "Lesson 6: My Final Plug-in", and "Lesson 7: Learning More". The main content area has a heading "My First Revit Plug-in Overview" and a paragraph describing the guide as a self-paced tutorial for Revit power users who want to automate or extend Revit capabilities. It also mentions supported products (Autodesk Revit 2011 or higher), programming languages (C# and VB.NET), and the Application Programming Interface (API) used (Revit .NET API). A "Share" button is located in the top right corner.

More resources

Revit ADN Training Material

Revit training material for self-paced learning

<http://www.autodesk.com/developrevit>

DevTV and Webcast recordings

[Revit API Webcast archive](#)

Revit SDK Samples folder

Large number of sample projects on different topics

Look at SamplesReadme.htm

The Building Coder Revit API blog

<http://thebuildingcoder.typepad.com>

Revit Samples and Tools

SDK Visual Studio solution

Compile all samples in one fell swoop

RvtSamples

Load all samples for testing and debugging

RevitLookup

Interactive exploration of the Revit RVT database

Revit Equinox Development Themes

Platform Scalability

Support projects and teams of any size and complexity

Design | Construction | Fabrication

Expanding Revit capabilities for core and adjacent markets

Analysis and Simulation

Understanding and predicting building performance and behavior

Suites + Interoperability

Leveraging the Autodesk portfolio to support AEC projects

Countrification

Meeting regional AEC needs around the world

Revit Initiatives

Platform Scalability

- Performance

Design/Construction /Fabrication

- Piping for Construction
- Reinforcement
- Steel Detailing
- Concrete Modeling
- Displaced Views
- Point Clouds
- Customer

Requests

- Analytical Volumes
- MEP Calculations
- Physical Properties

Suites & Interoperability

- Enhanced Visualization
- API Enhancements
- Autodesk Exchange

Analysis & Simulation

- Structural Analytical Model
- Analysis Visualization Framework

Countrification

- Stairs & Railings
- Schedules

Platform Scalability

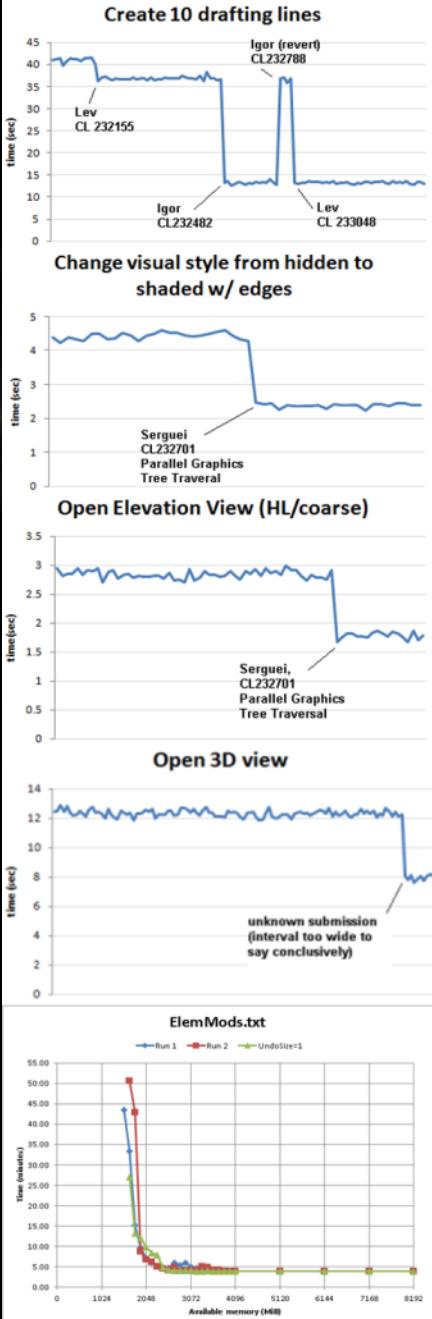
Performance

Customer Value

- More responsive Revit sessions
- Additional features become more practical

Deliverables

- Display optimization
- DWG & mesh handling improvements
- Family load performance



Design/Construction/Fabrication

Piping for Construction

Customer Value

- Higher level of detail in the piping model
- Improved workflow from design to fabrication
- Improved coordination/interference detection

Deliverables

- Standard parameters on pipe fittings
- Connection types and engagements lengths on fittings
- New pipe content based on standards



Design/Construction/Fabrication

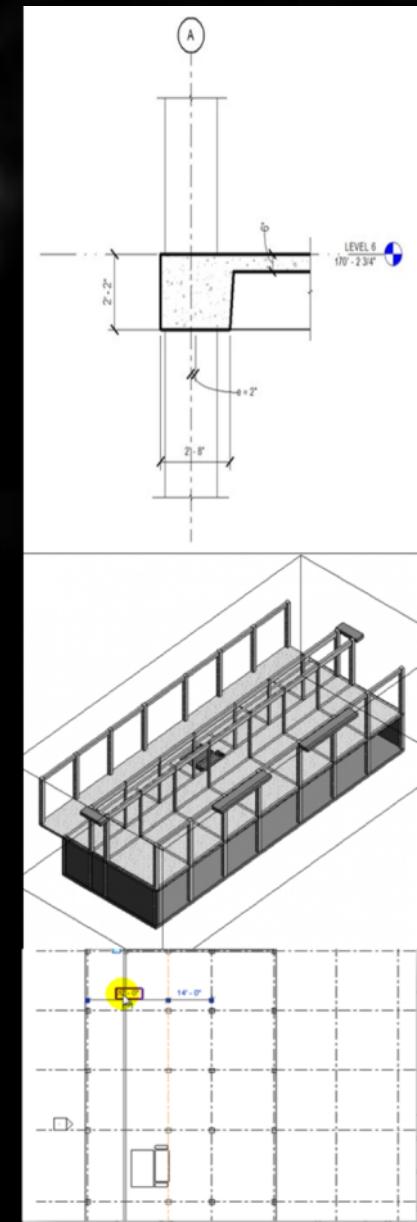
Concrete Modeling

Customer Value

- Accurately represent concrete design
- Indicate concrete construction sequencing

Deliverables

- Primacy of concrete joining



Design/Construction/Fabrication

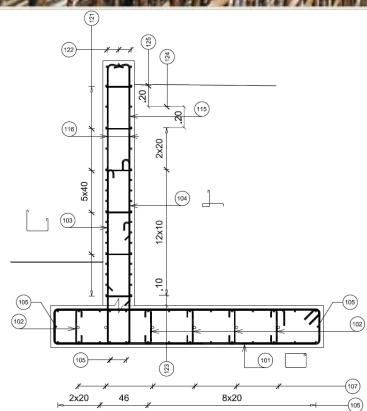
Reinforcement

Customer Value

- Accurate rebar schedule creation
 - Shop drawing creation for typical elements
 - More flexibility in Welded Wire Mesh (WWM) distribution

Deliverables

- Rebar shape definition according to European standards
 - Reinforcement length tolerances for rebar and WWM
 - New tagging type for liner rebar set
 - Multi reference annotation
 - Start point marking on the major direction symbol of WWM
 - Override rebar placement rules



Design/Construction/Fabrication

Steel Detailing

Customer Value

- Integrity of data across structural workflow
- Accurate positioning for structural steel elements

Deliverables

- Precise positioning and geometry definition of steel



Design/Construction/Fabrication

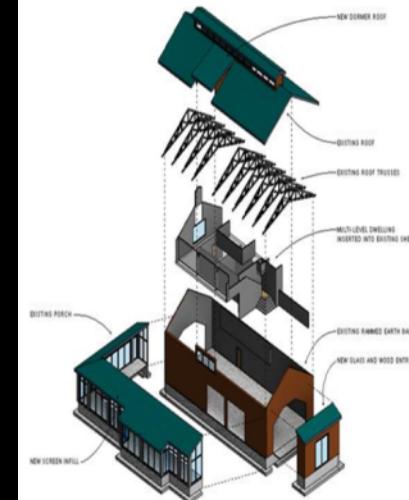
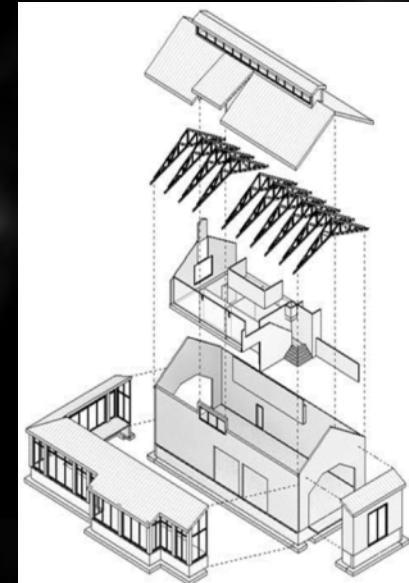
Displaced Views

Customer Value

- Improved visualization of building assemblies

Deliverables

- Configurable views of exploded models



Design/Construction/Fabrication

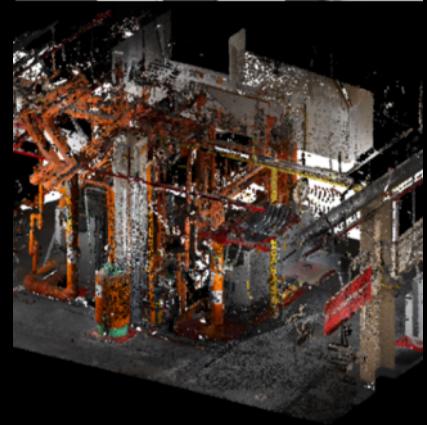
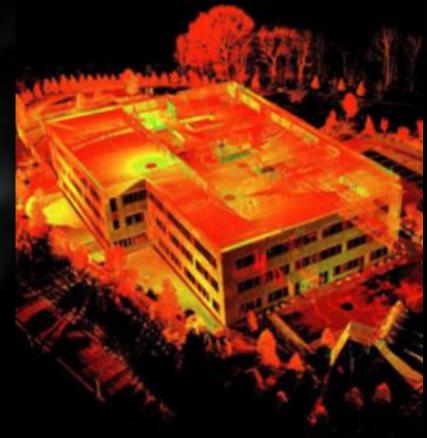
Point Clouds

Benefits

- Streamline as-built BIM authoring process for existing building renovation and retrofits
- Enhanced ability to connect construction planning & execution to BIM

Deliverables

- New point cloud engine
- Progressive display of point clouds



Design/Construction/Fabrication

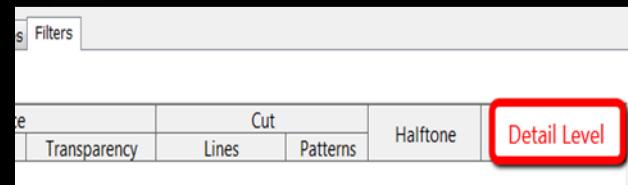
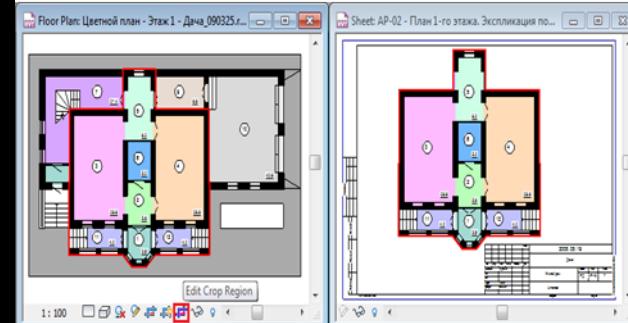
Customer Requests

Customer Value

- Transform the customer experience
- Increase industry focus to meet customer needs

Deliverables

- Non-rectangular crop regions
- Dimensions that can display dual units (Metric & Imperial)
- New Structural Annotation & Tag Types
- Multi-select of objects for “bring to front” & “send to back”
- Transparent objects cast shadows
- Better control & placement of 3D arcs



Suites & Interoperability

Enhanced Visualization

Customer Value

- Improved graphics performance
- Congruent visualization options
- Improved materials interaction

Deliverables

- Improved materials UI
- Improved ray tracing



Suites & Interoperability

Autodesk Exchange

Customer Value

- Access to extended product functionality
- Expanded content library

Deliverables

- Improved download and install of applications
- Ability to load add-ins dynamically during a Revit session

The screenshot displays two pages from Autodesk Exchange:

- Autodesk Exchange | Apps**: Shows the main interface with a search bar and a featured apps section. One app, "Views Exporter 2013" by Structo Solutions Ltd., is highlighted.
- Autodesk Revit > Search Results**: Shows a search results page for "Autodesk Revit". It lists 10 of 68 results, including "Views Exporter 2013", "Export Revit to ETABS", "ARCdot Details and Plans", "3D PDF Converter for Revit 2013 for Architecture, MEP, Structure", "WIMP Export Schedules", "Yc-Pdf-Filter-Selection", "Randomizer", "Wip AmToDxf", and "IRENDER RAC". Each result includes a thumbnail, name, developer, rating, and download count.

Analysis & Simulation

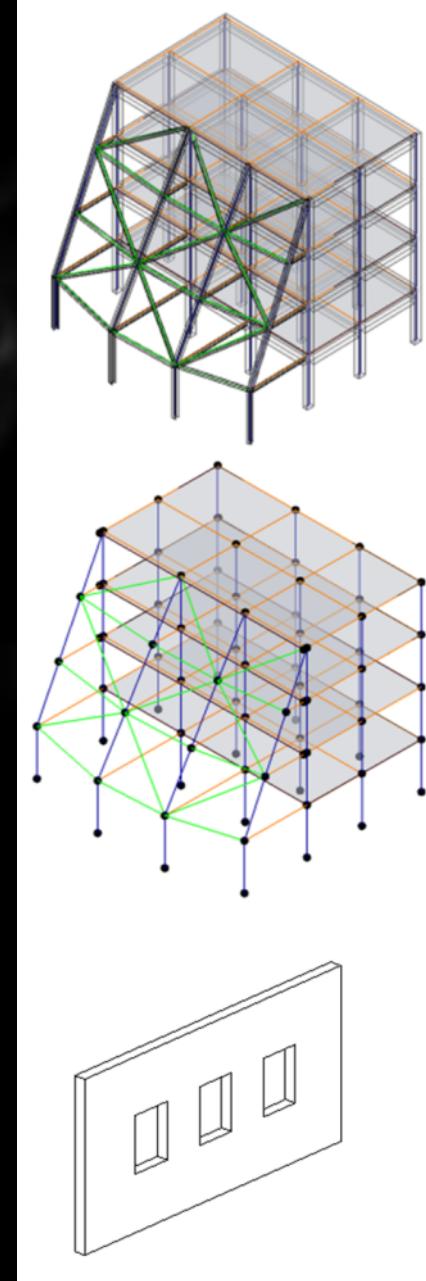
Structural Analytical Model

Customer Value

- Improved coordination of physical and analytical models
- Readiness for structural analysis directly from Revit models

Deliverables

- Improved analytical model behavior and usability
- Temporary view templates for better model visualization



Analysis & Simulation

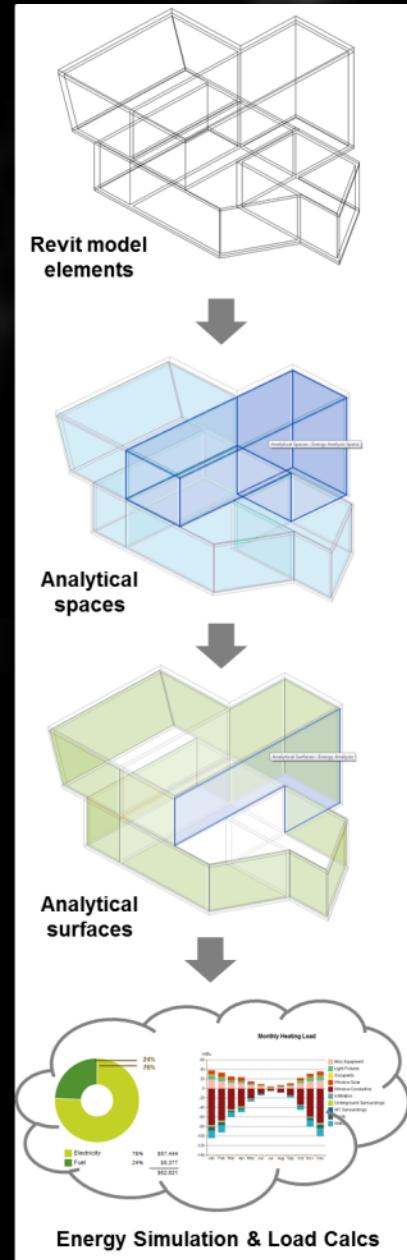
Analytical Volumes

Customer Value

- Ease of use with no time and skill wasted rebuilding models
- Trust in the reliability and repeatability of calculations & simulations

Deliverables

- Fast, reliable (thermal) analytical geometry components
- Improved the quality of gbXML export



Analysis and Simulation

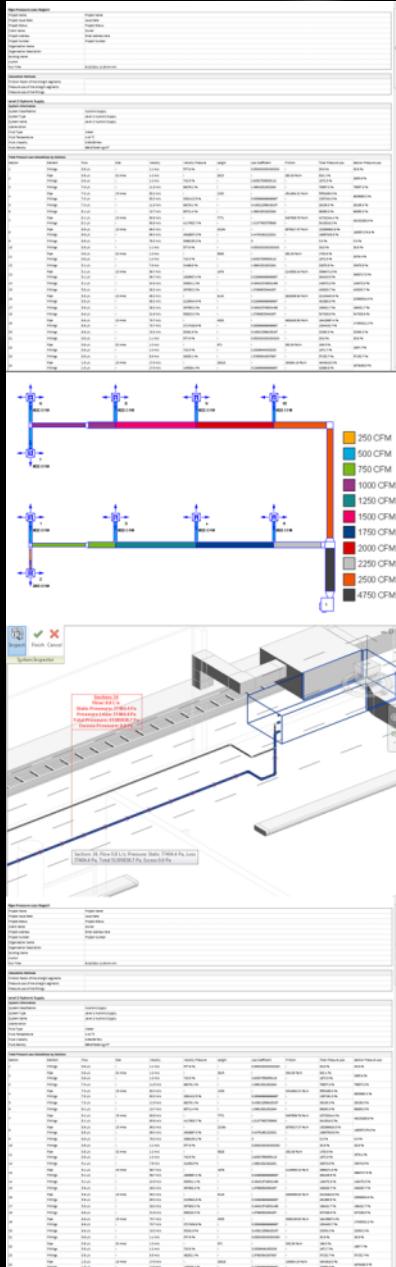
MEP Calculations

Customer Value

- Ability to use regional calculations within Revit MEP

Deliverables

- Moved duct and pipe sizing calculations to API
- Improve duct and pipe calculations
- Provide tools to validate calculations



Customization

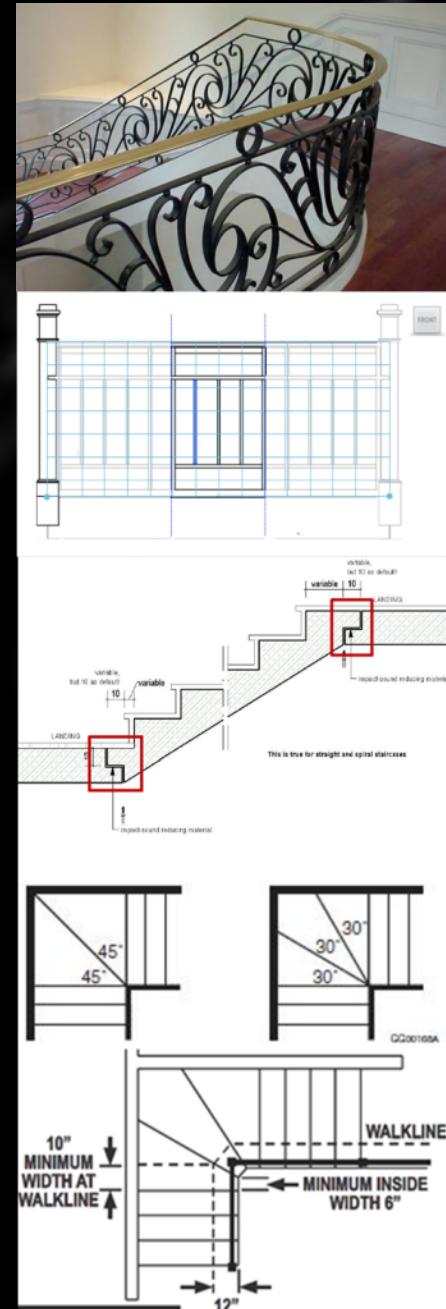
Stairs and Railings

Customer Value

- Easily model, edit and document stair & railing designs

Deliverables

- Railing pattern editing
- Stair fit & finish based on customer feedback



Countification

Schedules

Customer Value

- Greater control of schedule formatting
- Increased access to data within the building information model

Deliverables

- Text properties and table formatting improvements
- Improved data access, display, and relationships
- Ability to display graphics in schedules
- Sorting, grouping, and filtering improvements

Long-term plan

- Reporting project

Branch Panel: LP-3							
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Enclosure: Type 1		Wires: 2		Notes: 1		Notes: 5	
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4	Lighting Physics 08	20 A	1	372 VA 277 VAC	1	20 A	Lighting Physics 08
5	Lighting Physics 09	20 A	1	372 VA 277 VAC	1	20 A	Lighting Physics 09
6	Lighting Stair 06	20 A	1	400 VA 277 VAC	1	20 A	Lighting Stair 06
7	Lighting Hall 28	20 A	1	400 VA 277 VAC	1	20 A	Lighting Hall 28
8	Lighting Hall 27	20 A	1	400 VA 277 VAC	1	20 A	Lighting Hall 27
9	Lighting Stair 01	20 A	1	400 VA 277 VAC	1	20 A	Lighting Stair 01
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The Rice Revit Equinox application compatibility

The Rice

- Document Open + Save
- FilteredElementCollector
- Geometry API
- Family Symbol API
- Units API
- Materials API
- IFC API
- BeamSystem + Truss Creation
- Obsolete API cleanup

Document Open + Save

Application.OpenDocumentFile(ModelPath, OpenOptions)

Application.OpenDocumentFile(String)

UIApplication.OpenAndActivateDocument(String)

- Re-implemented with specific exceptions

UIApplication.OpenAndActivateDocument(ModelPath, OpenOptions,
Boolean bDetachAndPrompt)

- New signature
- 12 exceptions

Document.Save()

Document.SaveAs()

- Return void instead of boolean
- Failures signaled with specific exceptions

FilteredElementCollector

Iteration and element deletion

- If a Revit Element is deleted while FilteredElementCollector iterates through document, continuing the iteration will throw an InvalidOperationException
- Prevents application crashes caused by changes in Revit's Element Table following Element deletion
- In general, it is best not to make any changes to the document while an iterator is running through the document.
- Affects
 - FilteredElementIterator
 - FilteredElementIdIterator
 - FilteredElementCollector foreach loops

Geometry API

	New Methods	Obsolete Methods
Curve Creation	Curve.CreateTransformed() Line.CreateBound() Line.CreateUnbound() Arc.Create() Ellipse.Create() NurbSpline.Create() HermiteSpline.Create()	Curve.Transformed Line.Bound Line.Unbound Autodesk.Revit.Creation.Application.NewLine() Autodesk.Revit.Creation.Application.NewLineBound() Autodesk.Revit.Creation.Application.NewLineUnbound() Autodesk.Revit.Creation.Application.NewArc() Autodesk.Revit.Creation.Application.NewEllipse() Autodesk.Revit.Creation.Application.NewNurbSpline() Autodesk.Revit.Creation.Application.NewHermiteSpline()
Curve Utilities	GetEndPoint() GetEndParameter() GetEndPointReference()	EndPoint EndParameter EndPointReference
Edge Utilities	Edge.GetFace() Edge.GetEndPointReference()	Edge.Face (property) Edge.EndPointReference (property)
Transform Initialization	Transform.CreateTranslation() Transform.CreateRotation() Transform.CreateRotationAtPoint() Transform.CreateReflection()	Transform.Translation (property) Transform.Rotation (property) Transform.Reflection (property)

Family Symbol API

- Family Symbols do not contain geometry until an instance exists in the document
- A Symbol's geometry will be empty and should not be accessed until it is active.
- Test if a symbol is active with `FamilySymbol.IsActive()`
- To activate a family symbol in order to retrieve the geometry use `FamilySymbol.Activate()`

Units API

Due to significant changes in Units, many Unit APIs have been removed rather than marked obsolete

Units class

- Access via `Document.GetUnits()` | `Document.SetUnits()`
- **Formatting options such as Rounding, Accuracy, and DisplayUnits**

Unit Formatting and Parsing

- `UnitFormatUtils.FormatValueToString()` - convert value to a string
- `UnitFormatUtils.TryParse()` - parse string into value

Conversion between Unit Types

- `UnitUtils.Convert()` - convert a value between unit types
- `UnitUtils.ConvertFromInternalUnits()` - convert a value from Revit's internal unit type.
- `UnitUtils.ConvertToInternalUnits()` - convert a value to Revit's internal unit type.

Materials API

`Material.SetRenderAppearance()` deprecated.

- Set using the related `AppearanceAssetElement`

`AssetProperty` changes

- No longer inherits from `APIObject`
- `GetTypeName()` return values changed
- New subclasses of `AssetProperty` exposed

IFC API

IFC Export is now an External Service

- Explicit interfaces in ExporterIFCRegistry are obsolete
- Register multiple external IFC exporters in the same session

IFC APIs moved to a new assembly

- Most IFC API classes now in RevitAPIIFC.dll
- Add-Ins using migrated APIs must reference the new DLL and rebuild to work with Revit 2014
- APIs to invoke an IFC export and import have not moved
- Applications without custom implementations need not change

Revit API Assemblies

C:\Program Files\Autodesk\Revit Equinox Beta 1

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12/10/2012	01:11 PM	185,272	RevitAPIMacros.dll
12/10/2012	01:11 PM	1,815,480	RevitAPIUI.dll
12/10/2012	01:11 PM	119,224	RevitAPIUIMacros.dll

BeamSystem + Truss Creation

BeamSystem Creation

- BeamSystem.Create methods replace Document.NewBeamSystem methods

Truss Creation

- Truss.Create () replaces Document.NewTruss ()

Deprecated API Cleanup

APIs deprecated in Revit 2013 have been removed

- ~160 items
 - Classes
 - Members
 - Etc.

The Wine Revit Equinox features + API



Integration Support for seamless functionality

UI API

External commands supported in Project Browser as Active View

- API commands and macros enabled
- UIDocument.Selection
 - returns Elements selected in Project Browser
- Use of viewType.Internal should be replaced by:
 - viewType.ProjectBrowser
 - viewType.SystemBrowser

Copy | Paste API

ElementTransformUtils

- `CopyElements(Document, ICollection<ElementId>, Document, Transform)`
 - Copy within Documents or between Documents
- `CopyElements(View, ICollection<ElementId>, View, Transform)`
 - Copy View-specific elements
- `ElementTransformUtils.GetTransformFromViewToView(View, View)`
 - Obtain transform between coordinates of two views

Copy | Paste API Demo

Dockable Dialog API

UI Application

- RegisterDockablePane registers a dockable WPF pane at Revit startup with configurable docking settings
- IDockablePaneProvider
 - Called when the user brings the pane into focus
 - Adds pane to canvas
- DockablePaneData
 - Set initial DockablePaneState

RevitDockablePane

- Show | Hide dockable panes

Dockable Dialog API Demo

View API

View Control

- `UIView`
 - Zoom to fit
 - Zoom to sheet
 - Zoom by factor
 - Close View
- `PreviewControl`
 - `PreviewControl.UIView` supplies the `UIView` handle for the preview control
 - `PreviewControl.ScrollbarVisibility` controls scrollbar presence

Design | Construction | Fabrication

Non-Rectangular Crop Regions

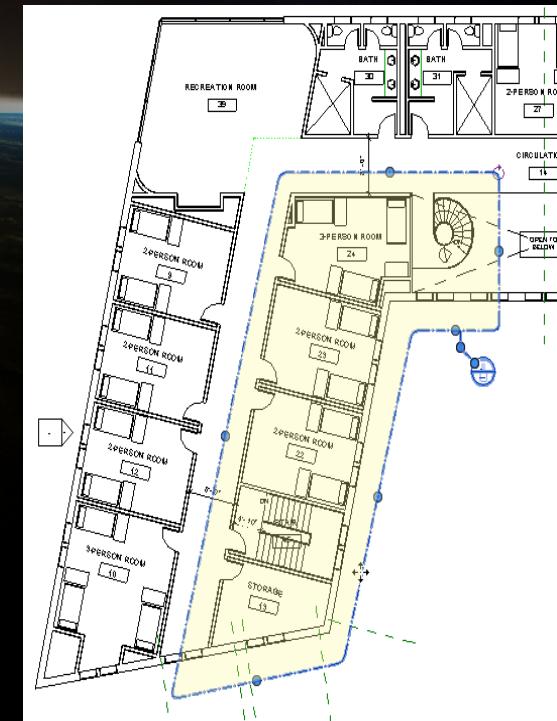
Customer Value

- Easier presentation of referenced model areas
- More efficient documentation layout
- Extension of existing UI patterns

Deliverables

- Ability to reference and crop regions of arbitrary shape*

*Arcs not supported



View API

Crop Regions

- Get | Set 3D graphic display options
 - Silhouettes | Transparency | Sunlight | Shadows | Background
- Get | Set Category overrides
- Get | Set Element overrides
- Get | Set | Add | Remove View Filters
 - Uses ParameterFilterElement to represent View Filters

View API

Crop Regions

- Get | Set boundaries on ViewCropRegionShapeManager
- Views and Reference Callouts supported

Viewports

- Get | Set viewport rotation
- Get | Set viewport center point

Countification

Schedules

Customer Value

- Greater control of schedule formatting
- Increased access to data building model data

Deliverables

- Text properties and table formatting improvements
- Improved data access, display, and relationships
- Ability to display graphics in schedule headers
- Room calculation point expanded to all Elements

The image displays three distinct types of engineering and architectural schedules:

- Structural Column Schedule:** A grid-based table showing columns for Column ID, Column Type, Column Number, and various dimensions like Depth, Width, and Height.
- Branch Panel: LP-3:** A detailed electrical panel schedule with columns for Circuit, Circuit Description, Tap, Power, and Phase.
- Duct Connection Diagram:** A technical drawing showing various duct configurations (FC, R, D, E) with labels for flexible connection, elevation incline/rise, elevation incline/drop, and correct inner duct to existing duct.

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101C	101	102	1830	2134	3	(none)
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121	102	121	1830	2134	3	(none)
122	121	122	915	2134	3	(none)
123	122	122	915	2134	3	(none)

Schedule API

- ViewSchedule is now a child of TableView with PanelSchedule
- Previously existing ViewSchedule APIs are still valid
- TableView API controls:
 - Header and Body table sections
 - Table Formatting
 - Cell contents
- Additional APIs control:
 - Header grouping
 - Cell formatting

Schedule API Demo

HTML Export
Formatting

Extensible Storage API

ExtensibleStorage changes

- `Element.GetEntitySchemaGuids()`
 - Access Schema GUIDs of any entities present on an Element
- `Schema.GetField()` | `Schema.ListFields()`
 - Access restricted by Schema read permission setting

ExtensibleStorageFilter

- `ElementQuickFilter` finds Elements with a given Schema GUID

Command API

Command event

- `AddInCommand.BeforeExecuted`
 - Read-Only event identifying a command before execution

Command posting

- `UIApplication.PostCommand()`
 - Execute a command when control returns from API
 - Post non-contextual commands listed in `Autodesk.Revit.UI.PostableCommand`
 - Post external commands created by any add-in
 - Only one command may be posted to Revit at a time

Add-In API

Automatic load of add-ins into active session

- Revit automatically loads add-ins from newly added .addin manifest files without restarting Revit
- ApplicationInitialized will not be called
- UIApplication.LoadAddIn()
 - Programmatically load add-ins listed in the add-in manifest

Decline active session load

- Use <AllowLoadIntoExistingSession> tag in .addin file
- Some operations can't be completed mid-session
 - Declaring failure handlers
 - Some External Service handling

Annotation + Visualization

Enhanced model documentation

Materials API

Material.AppearanceAssetId

- Assigns an AppearanceAsset to a Material

AppearanceAssetElement

- Create()
 - Creates an Asset Element for a rendering Asset and name
- GetAppearanceAssetElementByName()
 - Retrieves an Asset Element handle by the Asset name
- SetRenderingAsset()
 - Applies a rendering Asset to an Element

Multi-Reference Annotation API

- New tags referencing multiple identical Elements
- MultiReferenceAnnotation - instance
- MultiReferenceAnnotationType - type
- IndependentTag.MultiReferenceAnnotationId

Dimension Units API

Dimension Alternate Units

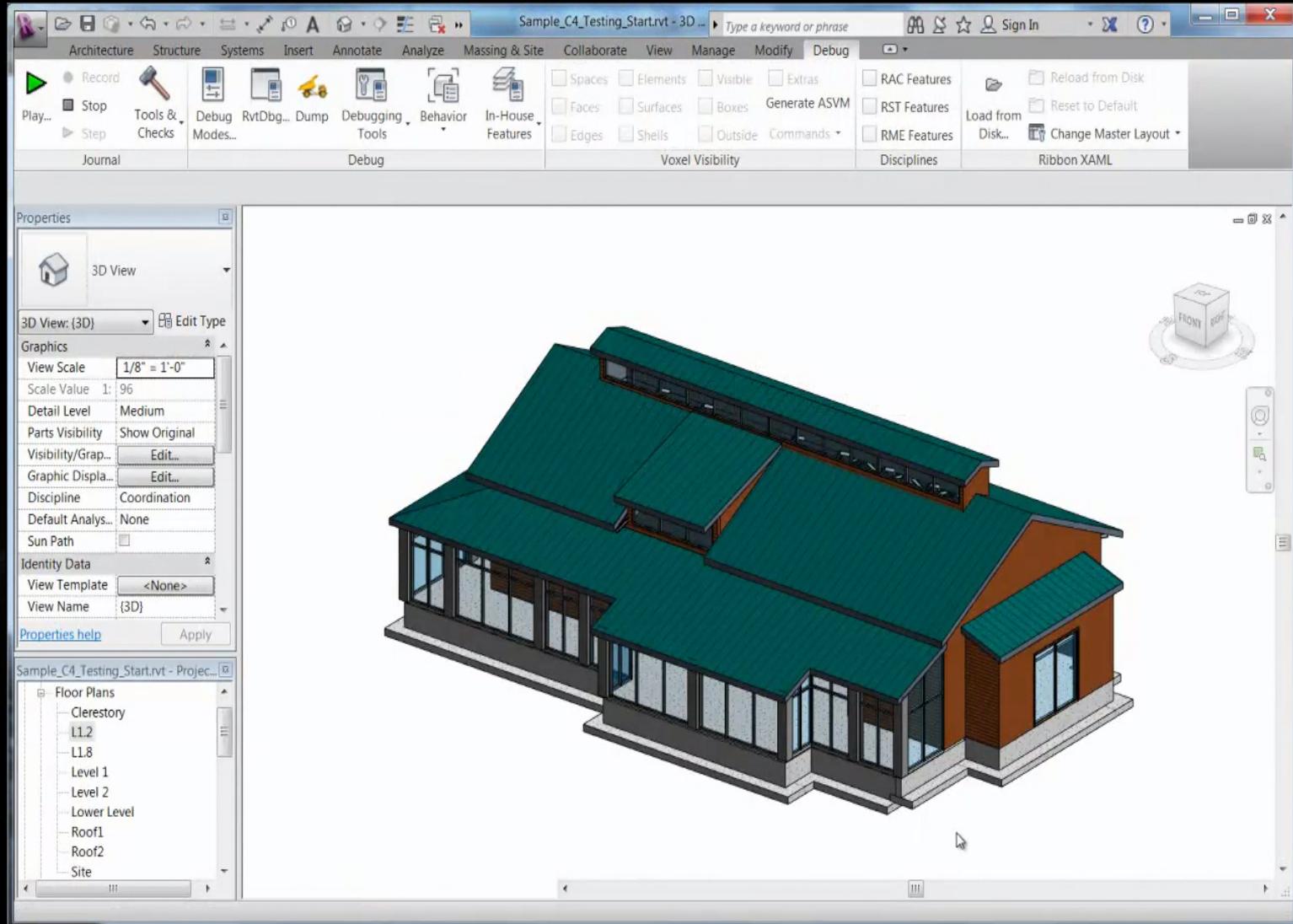
- DimensionStyleAlternateUnits
- DimensionStyleGet | SetAlternateUnitsFormatOptions()
- DimensionStyleAlternateUnitsPrefix | Suffix

Dimension unit type

- DimensionStyleUnitType Get | Set
for applicable unit types (Length | Angle | Slope)

Design | Construction | Fabrication

Displaced Views



Displaced Elements API

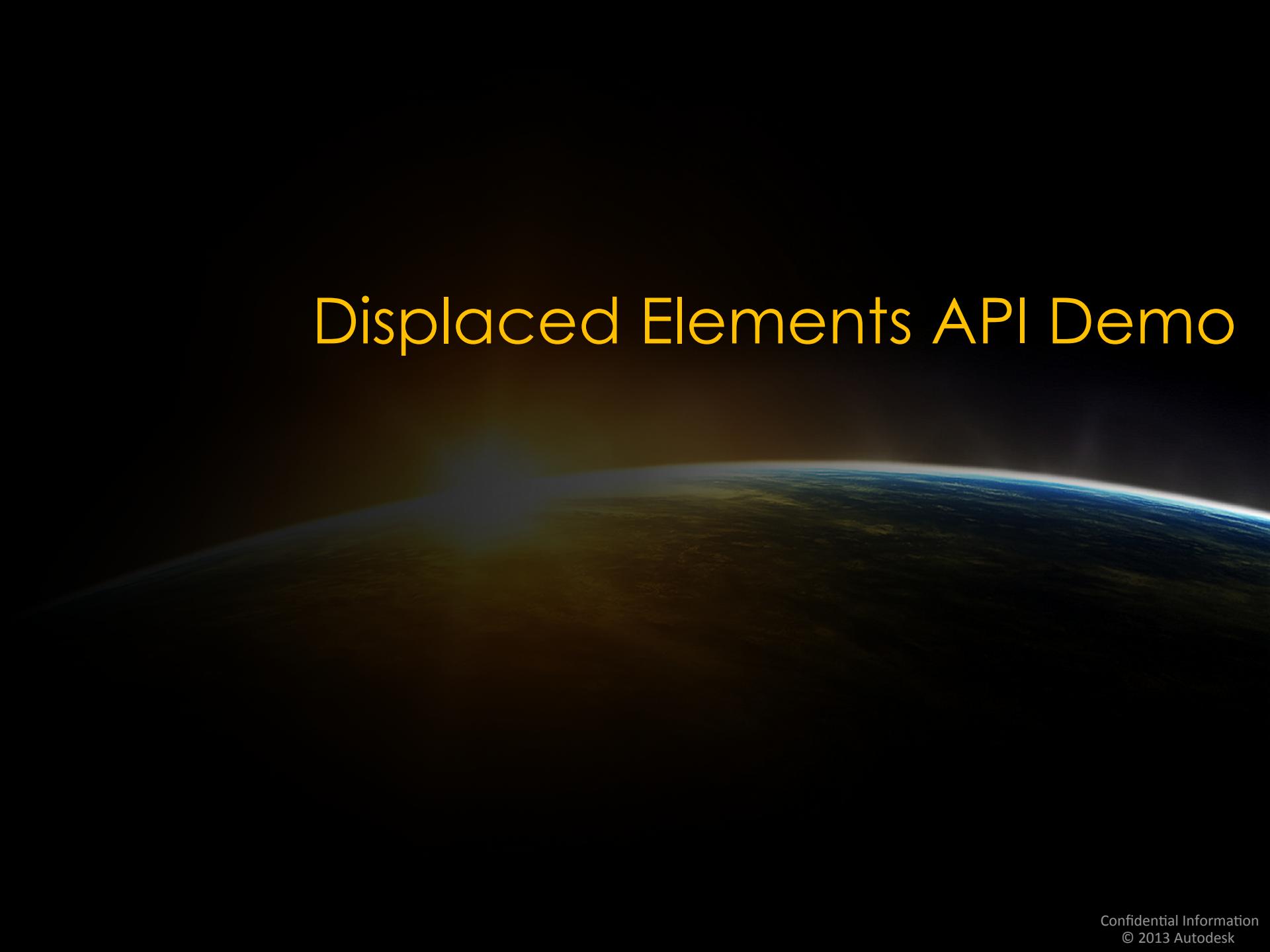
DisplacementElement

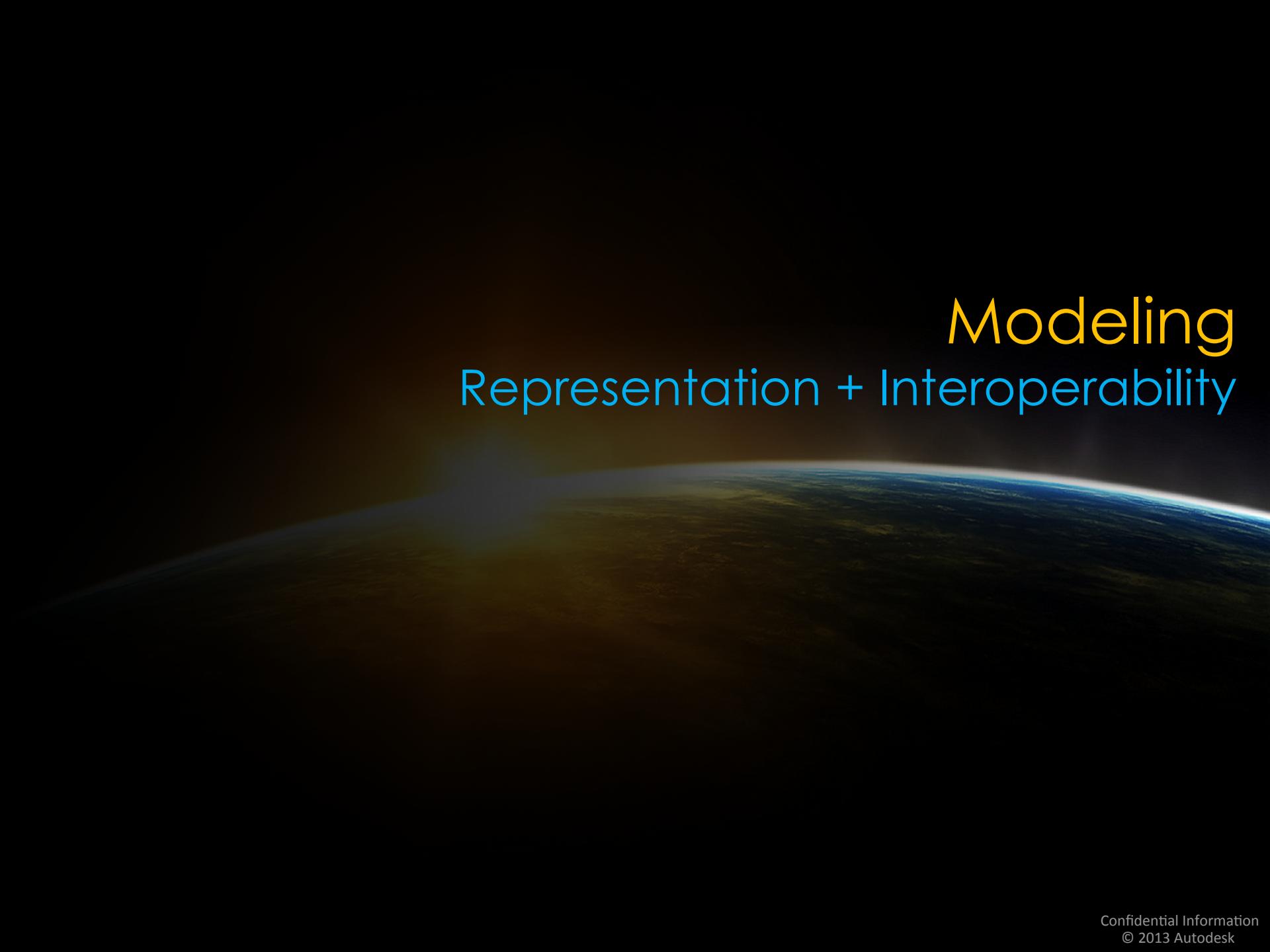
- Cause Elements to appear displaced from their actual locations

DisplacementPath

- Creates an annotation line connecting a displaced Element to its original location

Displaced Elements API Demo





Modeling Representation + Interoperability

SketchPlane API

`SketchPlane.Create(ElementId)`

- Creates a SketchPlane from a Grid, Reference Plane, or Level

`SketchPlane.GetPlane()`

- Returns the corresponding Plane.

`SketchPlane.GetPlaneReference()`

- Returns a reference to this element as a plane.

SketchPlane API

SketchPlane Creation

- `SketchPlane.Create(Document, Plane)` replaces `ItemFactoryBase.NewSketchPlane(Plane)`
- `SketchPlane.Create(Document, Reference)` replaces `ItemFactoryBase.NewSketchPlane(Reference)`
- `ItemFactoryBase.NewSketchPlane(PlanarFace)` is deprecated
- `SketchPlane.Create(Document, ElementID)` from a datum, Level, ref plane or Grid

Solid | Curve API

`Solid.IntersectWithCurve()`

- Calculates intersection between a closed Solid and a curve
- Includes option to return details of segments inside or outside the volume
- Curve segments and segment parameters available

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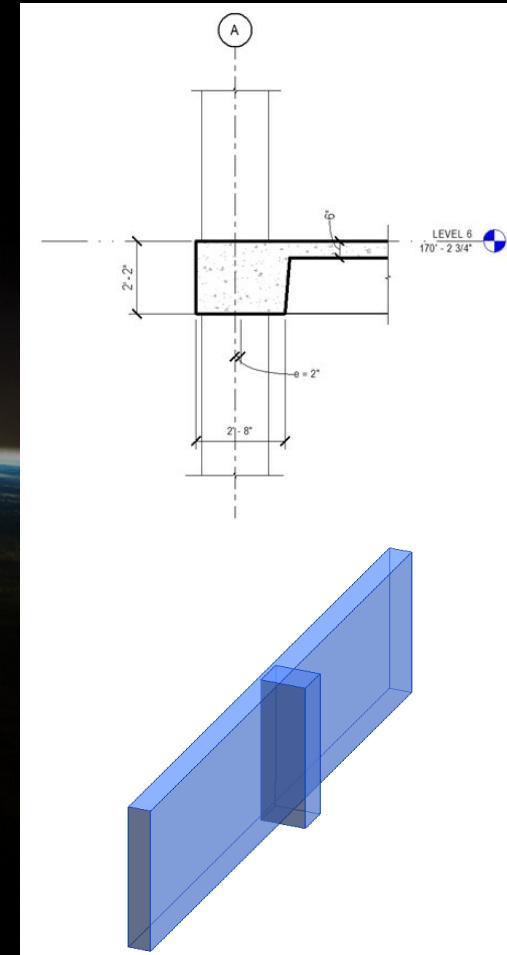
Concrete Modeling

Customer Value

- Accurately represent concrete design
- Indicate concrete construction sequencing

Deliverables

- Primacy of concrete joining
- Multi-select editing of joining primacy



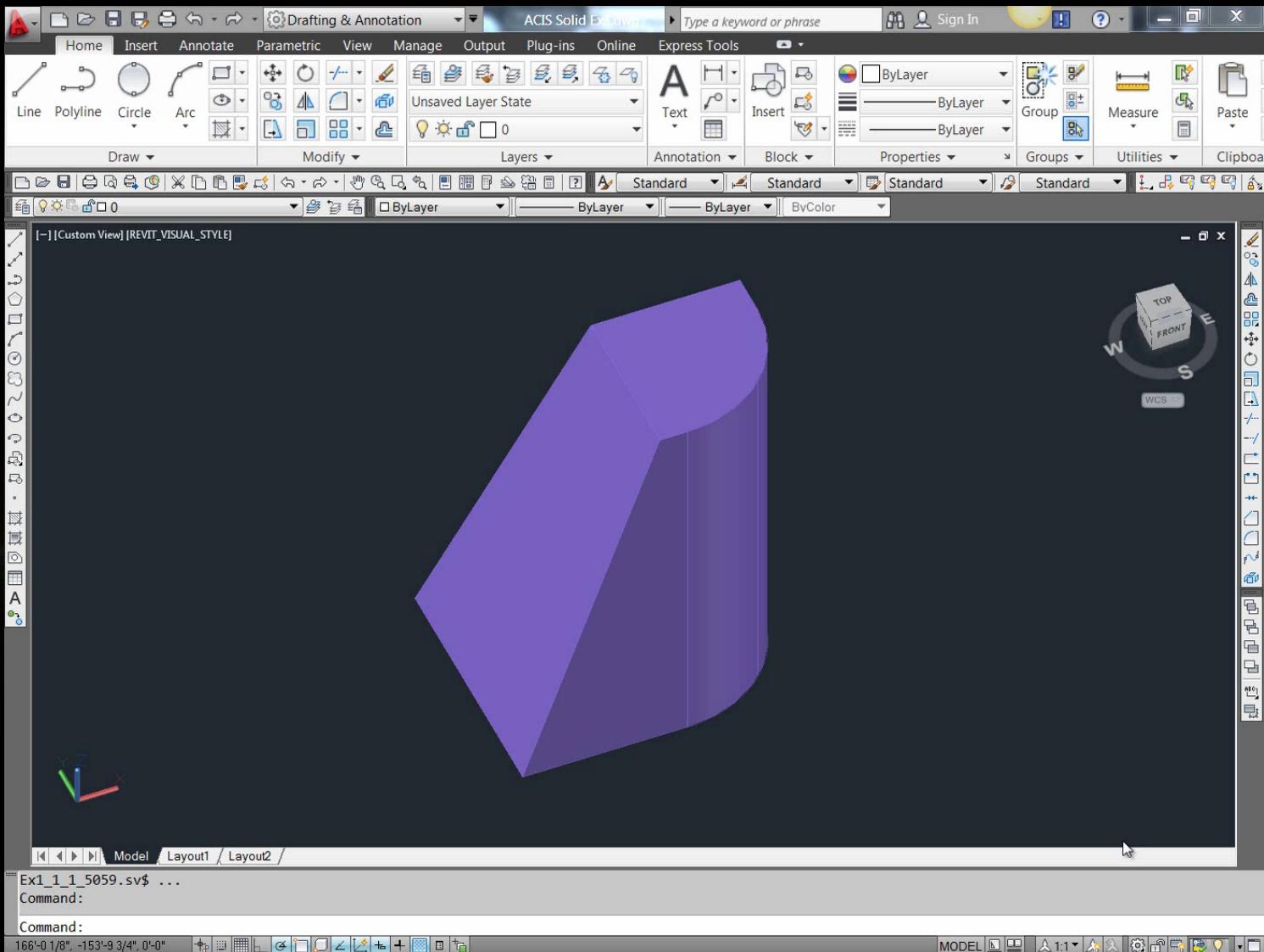
Join Geometry API

JoinGeometryUtils

- JoinGeometry
 - Creates a boolean union of two elements
- UnJoinGeometry
 - Removes a boolean join
- SwitchJoinOrder
 - Changes which Element is cut in a join
- DoesElementCutTarget
- AreElementsJoined
- GetJoinedElements

Suites + Interoperability

Imported Forms



FreeForm Element API

FreeFormElement

- A form sub-type containing non-parametric geometry
- Created from an input solid outline
- Can be added to Families
- Participates in joins and void cuts with other Elements
- Planer faces offset along the face normal vector

FreeFormElement.Create()

- Creates a new FreeFormElement

FreeFormElement.SetFaceOffset()

- Offsets planer faces a specified distance along the face normal

FreeForm Elements API Demo

Site API

SiteSubRegion

- Special class obtained from related TopographySurface
- Create | read | write subregion boundary

BuildingPad Element

- Create | read | write BuildingPad boundary

Site API

Editing TopographySurface

- Editing points in a TopographySurface now requires edit scope
- TopographyEditScope
 - Allows application to create and maintain editing session
- TopographySurface.AddPoints()
 - Now operates with the edit scope
 - No longer regenerates the document

Site API

Reading points TopographySurface

- TopographySurface methods:
ReadPoints, FindPoints, ContainsPoint,
GetBoundaryPoints, IsBoundaryPoint

Site API Demo

Beam + Brace Ends

Continued access through parameters API

- New built-in parameters replace Start | End Extension parameters
- Start | End Extension when not joined
- Start | End Join Cutback when joined

Justification Parameters (Beam Only)

- Justification can be set for whole member or ends individually
- Existing Justification parameters replaced
 - New parameters for Y + Z Start | End Justification and Offsets
- Justification enumerated by Y | Z Justification enums

Design | Construction | Fabrication

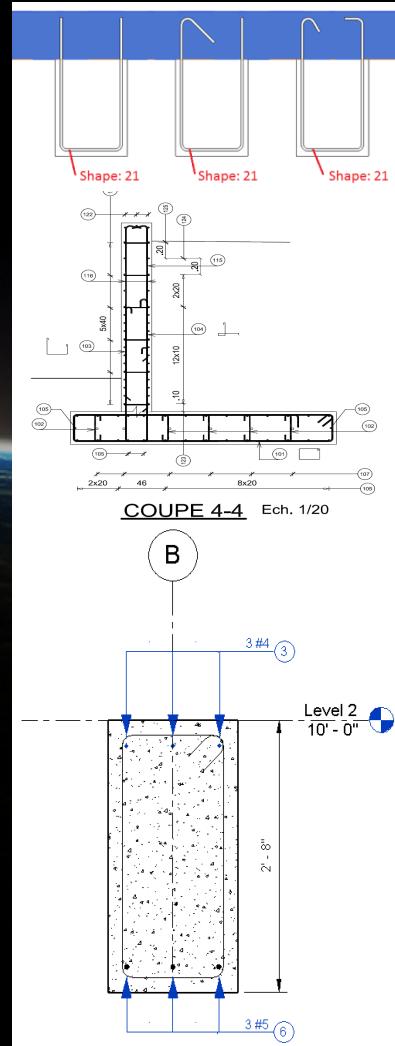
Reinforcement

Customer Value

- Improved rebar placement accuracy
 - Bending tables and Schedules
 - Shop drawings

Deliverables

- Rebar placement constraints customization
 - Rebar shapes definition according to European standards
 - Improved rebar tagging
 - Reinforcement length tolerances
 - Improved modeling and display of Welded Wire Mesh



Reinforcement

AreaReinforcement

- Create | Set un-obsured in View

PathReinforcement

- Create | Adjust length offset | Set un-obsured in View

FabricArea

- Create and manage reinforcement rounding settings

FabricSheet

- Create
- Get coordinate system
- Place in host
- Adjust cover offset

Reinforcement

Rebar

- Set hook orientation
- Compute driving curves
- Get constraints manager

Reinforcement | Fabric | RoundingManagers

- Access to reinforcement rounding overrides

MEP API

ElectricalLoadClassificationData

- Several new string properties corresponding to the electrical panel schedule load classification section

CSV Fitting Parameter Removal

- CSV files no longer driving MEP fitting parameters
- New APIs to manage fitting parameters

Fitting Angle Usage Settings API

- Duct | Pipe | Electrical

Duct Settings

- Size prefixes and suffixes + annotations
- Air density + viscosity

MEP API

Element Creation

- Available as static methods on respective classes
 - Replacement Duct
 - Pipe
 - FlexDuct
 - FlexPipe

MEP API

ConnectorElement

- Create connector Elements in families centered on faces
- Get Connector System type
- Get | Set Connector direction

MEP Calculations API

External Calculations

- New External Services supported for pipe and duct calculations
 - IPipePlumbingFixtureFlowServer
 - IPipePressureDropServer
 - IDuctPressureDropServer
 - IDuctFittingAndAccessoryPressureDropServer
 - IPipeFittingAndAccessoryPressureDropServer
 - IDuctFittingAndAccessoryPressureDropUIServer
 - IPipeFittingAndAccessoryPressureDropUIServer

Model Management

Ensuring coherent data interaction

Document Open API

OpenOptions

- Audit
 - Specifies whether to expand all Elements for corruption check
 - Defaults to false
- AllowOpeningLocalByWrongUser
 - Specifies whether a local file can be opened in ReadOnly mode by a user other than the owner
- Get | Set OpenWorksetsConfiguration()
 - Specify Worksets opened | closed when opening a document

Document Save API

Document.Save | SaveAs (ModelPath, SaveAsOptions)

- SaveOptions. | SaveAs.Options.Compact
 - Specifies if the OS should remove redundant data from the RVT
- SaveAsOptions.MaximumBackups
 - Specifies the maximum number of backups to keep on disk
- SaveAsOptions.WorksharingOptions for workshared RVTs:
 - WorksharingSaveAsOptions.SaveAsCentral
 - WorksharingSaveAsOptions.OpenWorksetsDefault
 - WorksharingSaveAsOptions.ClearTransmitted

Worksharing API

Reload Latest

- Document.ReloadLatest()
- Document.HasAllChangesFromCentral()

Synchronize with Central

- Document.SynchronizeWithCentral()

Element ownership

- WorksharingUtils.CheckoutElements()
- WorksharingUtils.CheckoutWorksets()
- WorksharingUtils.RelinquishOwnership()

Worksharing API

Create new local

- `WorksharingUtil.CreateNewLocal()`

Enable Worksharing

- `Document.EnableWorksharing()`

Linked Model API

Link Load | Unload

- `RevitLinkType.Load()`
- `RevitLinkType.LoadFrom()`
- `RevitLinkType.Unload()`

Link Path Get | Set

- Relative
- Absolute
- Server (read-only)

Link Create

- Specify Worksets to open when creating new link

Linked Model API

Identify Linked Documents

- Document.IsLinked()
- RevitLinkType.Unload()

Get Linked Document

- RevitLinkInstance.GetLinkedDocument()

Linked Model Interaction

- Room Tag creation for Linked Rooms
- Prompt for Linked Element Selection
- Convert geometric references between link and host
- Room boundary analysis
- Face-based family instance placement

Interoperability API

Import + Link

- Import | Link SAT
- Import | Link SketchUp
- Import DWF markup

Interoperability API

Export

- NavisWorks through Add-In
- Access tables mapping to formats such as DWG, IFC and DGN
 - ExportLayerTable
 - ExportLinetypeTable
 - ExportFontTable
 - ExportPatternTable
 - ExportLineweightTable

Interoperability API

Export

- CustomExporter
 - Access to rendering output pipeline
 - Allows exporting 3D views via a custom export context
- IExportContext
 - Output describes the model as it appears in Revit
 - Includes all geometry and material properties



Macro Development

Rapid prototyping

Macros

Ruby | Python development

- Macros can be coded in Ruby or Python as well as C# and VB.NET

API for macros and macro modules

- Located in RevitAPIMacros.dll and RevitAPIUIMacros.dll
- List | Add | Delete macro modules
- List | Edit | Delete | Create | Execute macros
- Access macro security settings

Learning More

- Revit Developer Center: Revit SDK, Samples, API Help File, DevTV
Introduction to Revit Programming, My First Revit Plugin
 - <http://www.autodesk.com/developrevit>
- , Developer's Guide
 - <http://wikihelp.autodesk.com/Revit> > API Developer's Guide
- Revit API Webcasts and Trainings
 - http://www.adskconsulting.com/adn/cs/api_course_sched.php > Revit API
- Discussion Group
 - <http://discussion.autodesk.com> > Revit Architecture > Revit API
- API Training Classes
 - <http://www.autodesk.com/apitraining>
- The Building Coder, Jeremy Tammik's Revit API Blog
 - <http://thebuildingcoder.typepad.com>
- ADN, The Autodesk Developer Network
 - <http://www.autodesk.com/joinadn>
- DevHelp Online for ADN members
 - <http://adn.autodesk.com>

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