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Task 2: Building and City Quarter Models

WP 2.2: Building Information Modeling

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Work Package 2.2 – Geometry Processing

| Content | Method | Result |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Space boundary algorithms for model topology analysis and multi-scale simulation model generation▪ Update exchange with Energy Plus | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Review of existing approaches, algorithms, codes and model checkers▪ Evaluation of best-in-class algorithms for model-garbage analysis and processing▪ Decision on development path and code re-use▪ Development of modular tools for space boundary and model topology analysis | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Joint journal publication / review paper▪ GIT repository with modular tools |

Suggestions from the Coordination Meeting, 10 July 2018

Geometry

- Reading and **parsing IFC** and dealing with this information
- **Full access** to geometry and topology
- **Separation** of geometry and topology as long as possible
- Creation of **connection graph** between objects
- **Manipulation** of geometry:
 - Reduction of level of detail and complexity
 - Finding relations between room and spaces based on topology only
- In the end discussing about **space boundaries**

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General

- Investigation on **state of the art** (Annex 60, SBT, ...)
- Testing libraries based on **IFC files**
- **Authoring tools** don't matter at this point
- Different **setup cases**, from easy to complex
- Constructing an example with **all building related entities** available in IFC
- **Sharable IFC-examples** stored in Git
- Creation of an open source **Sharable Environment** Team

Today's Agenda



- **Team structure**, active developers



- Tools and software **development environment** for model parsing, visualization and analysis



- **Consensus** on overall process of geometry reading and processing, BRep transformation, decomposition and space boundary generation

Open Source Sharable Environment Team

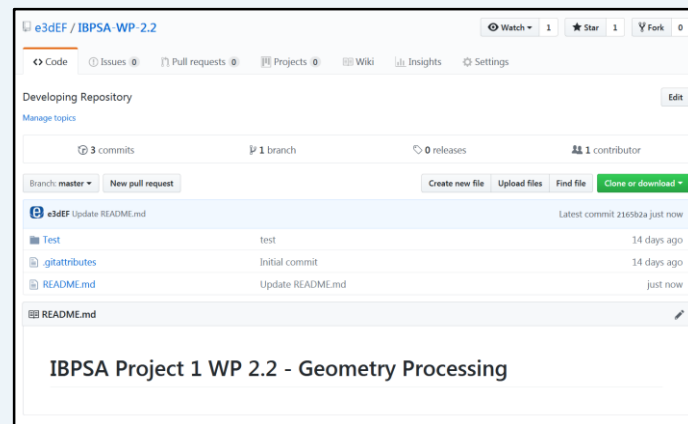


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Open Source Sharable Environment Team



- E-Mail Distribution List
- Git Repository IBPSA-WP-2.2
(Contact Eric Fichter)



Testing Team



- K.-H. Häfele (**Karlsruhe Institute of Technology**)
- Whoever wants to join ...

Everyone



- Review of space boundary algorithms
- Summary of algorithms in a joint publication
- Conditions within the BIM to SIM workflow (level of detail, objects of interest, design requirements for IFC, etc.)

Open Source Sharable Environment Team



- Define the working environment
- Setup the working environment
- Testing basic geometrical and topological explorer algorithms

Testing Team

- Providing an IFC example file with all available entities
- Providing further IFC examples from easy to complex



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Break-Out

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IFC libraries supporting IFC versions 2x3 and 4 as well as extraction of geometric data

| Library | Language | License | Modeling kernel |
|---|-------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| IfcOpenShell | C++, Python | LGPL, Open source | OpenCascade |
| IfcPlusPlus | C++ | MIT, Open source | OpenSceneGraph |
| IFC Engine DLL | C++ | AGPL, Closed Source | Embedded |
| xBIM Toolkit | C# (C++) | CDDL, Open Source | OpenCascade |
| apstex IFC Framework (IFC Tools Project) | Java | Free for research | Embedded |
| Not usable: STEPcode, JSDAI, pythonifc, ifcsdk, GeometryGymIFCExamples, IfcScript, ifc-dotnet | | | |

Sharable Environment Team: J. Lin - "IfcOpenShell, IFC Engine, XBIM"

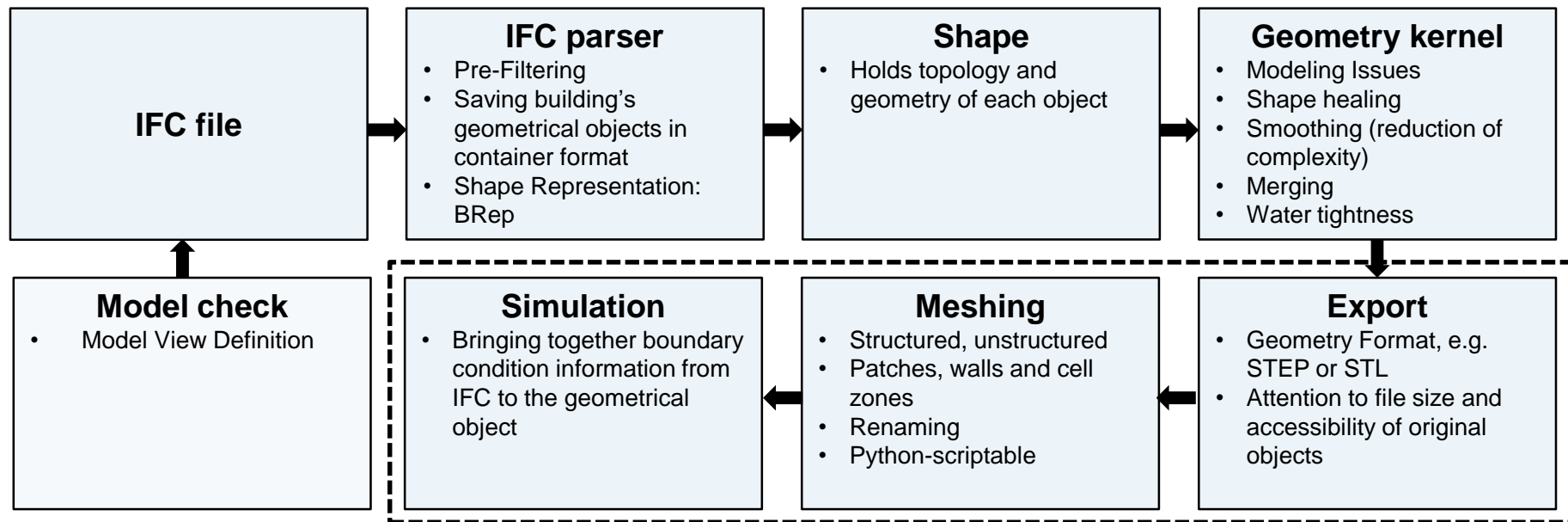
Geometric Modeling Kernel

Most popular kernels licensed for more than one CAD software

| Library | License |
|--|-------------------|
| ACIS | Proprietary |
| C3D | Proprietary |
| Parasolid | Proprietary |
| OpenCascade | LGPL, Open source |
| pythonOCC (OpenCascade wrapper) | LGPL, Open source |
| Further suggestions? | |
| One software only: Catia, Granite, Shape Manager (Autodesk, based on ACIS) | |

Coordination Meeting: K. Häfele “Open source backup kernel”

Work Chain used for IFC-2-CFD

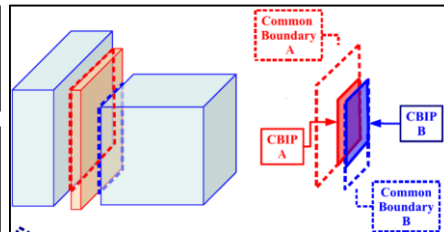


Space boundary algorithm without graphs

G.N. Lilis et al., Automatic generation of second-level space boundary topology from IFC geometry inputs, *Automation in Construction* (2016), <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.autcon.2016.08.044>

Common Boundary Intersection Projection Algorithm

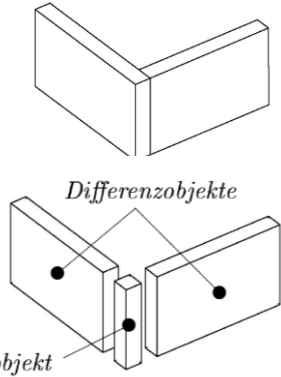
- Parsing: Classification stage of geometrical entities of interest (walls, windows, ...) to *Constructions*, *Openings* and *Volumes*
- BRep: Boundary Surface Extraction (BSE) of Constructions (IfcProduct) and Opening Construction Subtractions of Openings
- Common Faces: Common Boundary Intersection of different combinations (e.g. shared face of Construction and Opening) using Clipping functions
- 2nd level space boundaries: Boundary Intersection Projection
- Save in IFC file: IfcRelSpaceBoundary2ndLevel



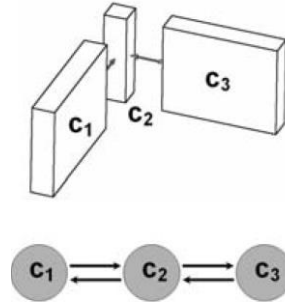
Space boundary algorithm with graphs

C. Van Treeck: Dissertation. Gebäudemodell-basierte Simulation von Raumluftrömungen

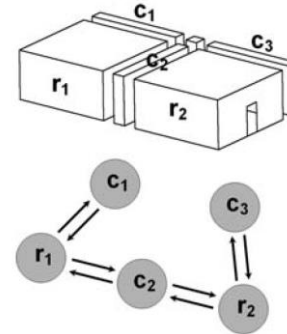
Boolean Operation



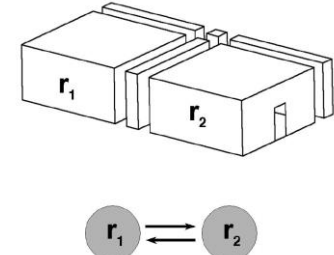
Component graph



Object graph



Room Graph

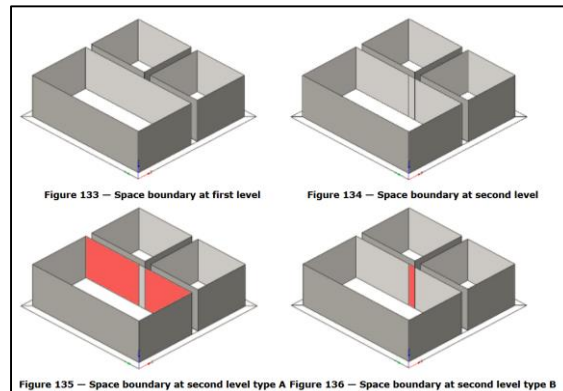


Parsing

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| ▼ IfcSite | 25Rp4l1Vn... | Oberfläche:817241 |
| ▼ IfcBuilding | 0NZEjs0C1... | |
| ▼ IfcBuildingStorey | 0NZEjs0C1... | -01_OKFDF |
| IfcColumn | 0xJbAECB... | IPE-Stütze: IPE550:799602 |
| IfcWallStandardCase | 00kSc73mv... | Basiswand:Fertigteilssockel 25:808252 |
| IfcWallStandardCase | 00kSc73mv... | Basiswand:Fassade 25:808253 |
| IfcSlab | 35PxLeYSL... | Sohle:Magerbeton_50:817250 |
| IfcFootings | 0P_LGFHfE... | Wandfundament:Wandfundament:9... |
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Pset_WallCommon
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LoadBearing: False (IfcBoolean)
IsExternal: True (IfcBoolean)
Reference: b'Fassade 25' (IfcIdentifier)
ExtendToStructure: False (IfcBoolean)
    
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- Direct and inverse attributes callable

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#76511=IfcRelSpaceBoundary('0F8DHwVIWwA92A8pankadM',#12,'2ndLevel','2a',#20909,#15042,#76510,.PHYSICAL,.INTERNAL.)
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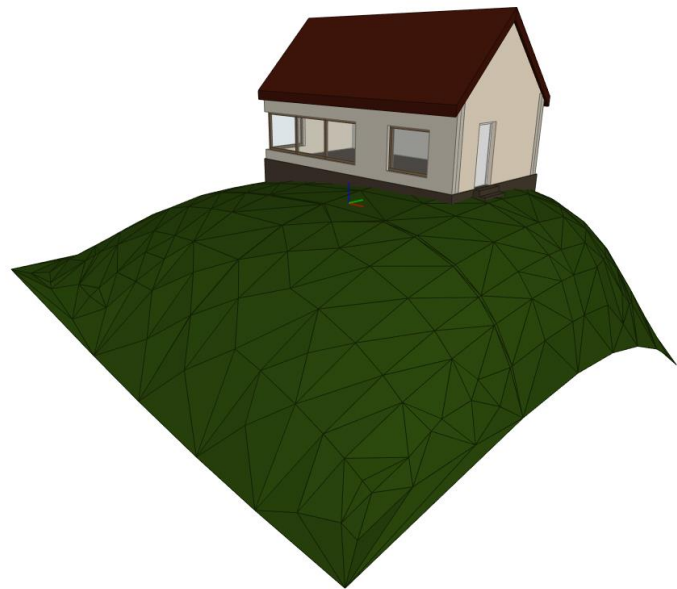


Writing to file

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443 // This window will be placed at five locations within the building. A list of placements is
444 // created and is iterated over to create all window instances.
445 IfcSchema::IfcLocalPlacement::list::ptr window_placements (new IfcSchema::IfcLocalPlacement::list);
446 window_placements->push(file.addLocalPlacement(storey_placement, 2*-1770-430-930, -45, 400));
447 window_placements->push(file.addLocalPlacement(storey_placement, -1770-430-930, -45, 400));
448 window_placements->push(file.addLocalPlacement(storey_placement, -430-930, -45, 400));
449 window_placements->push(file.addLocalPlacement(storey_placement, 3000-930, -45, 400));
450 window_placements->push(file.addLocalPlacement(storey_placement, -4855+45, 885-930, 400, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0));
451
452 for (IfcSchema::IfcLocalPlacement::list::it it = window_placements->begin(); it != window_placements->end(); ++it) {
453
454     // Create the window at the current location
455     IfcSchema::IfcLocalPlacement* place = *it;
456     IfcSchema::IfcWindow* window = new IfcSchema::IfcWindow(guid(), file.getSingle<IfcSchema::IfcOwnerHistory>(),
457         null, null, null, place, 0, null, 1600, 1860
458
459     #ifdef USE_IFC4
460         , IfcSchema::IfcWindowTypeEnum::IfcWindowType_WINDOW
461         , IfcSchema::IfcWindowTypePartitioningEnum::IfcWindowTypePartitioning_SINGLE_PANEL
462         , null
463     #endif
464     );
465     file.addBuildingProduct(window);

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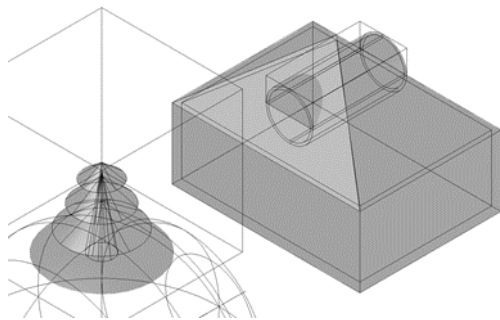
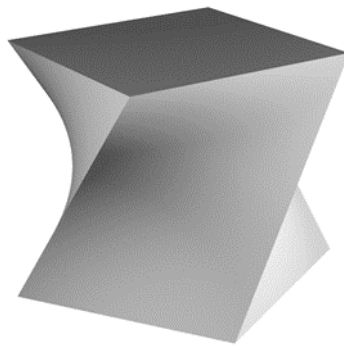




Geometry

Implemented Classes (state of 2016)

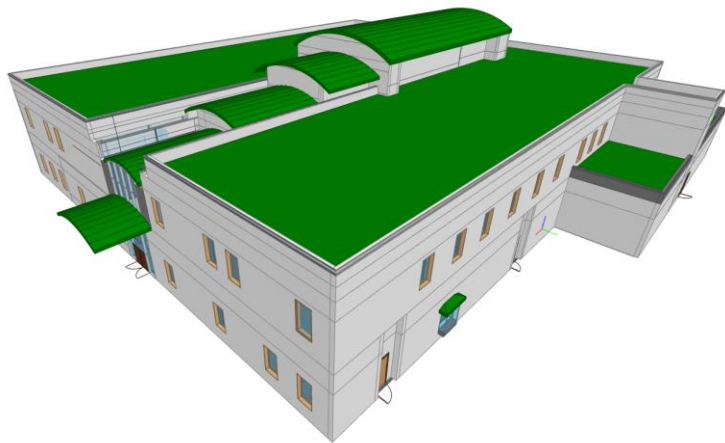
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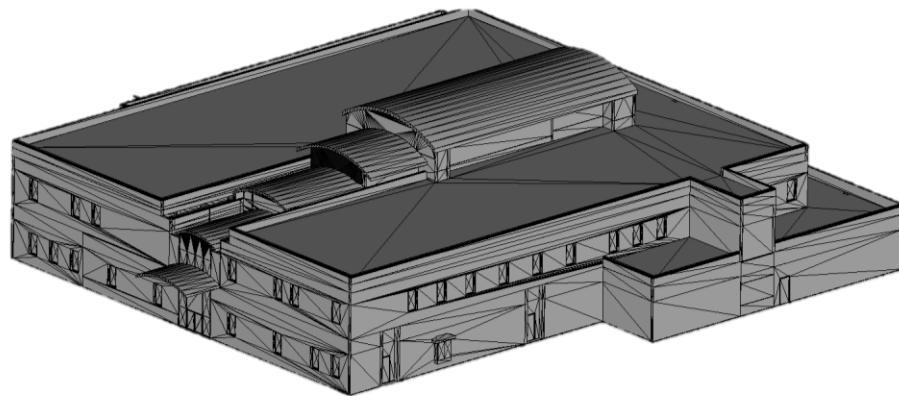
<http://blog.ifcopenshell.org/>



Some basic conversion tests to other file formats (.obj, .stp, .igs)



IFC file | .ifc

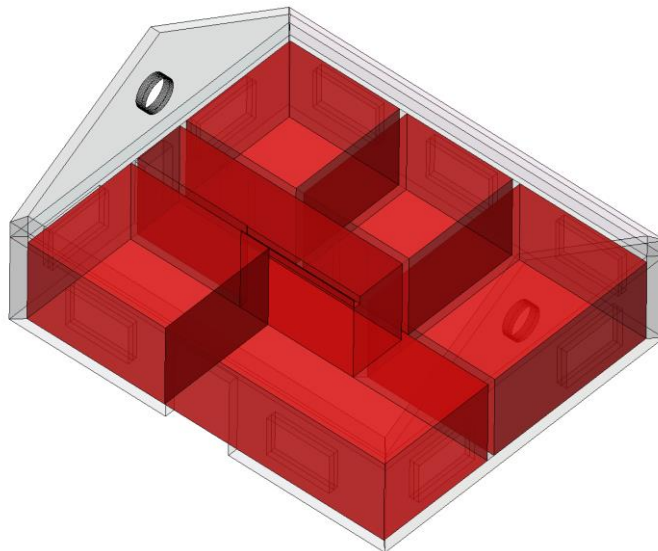


Object File | .obj

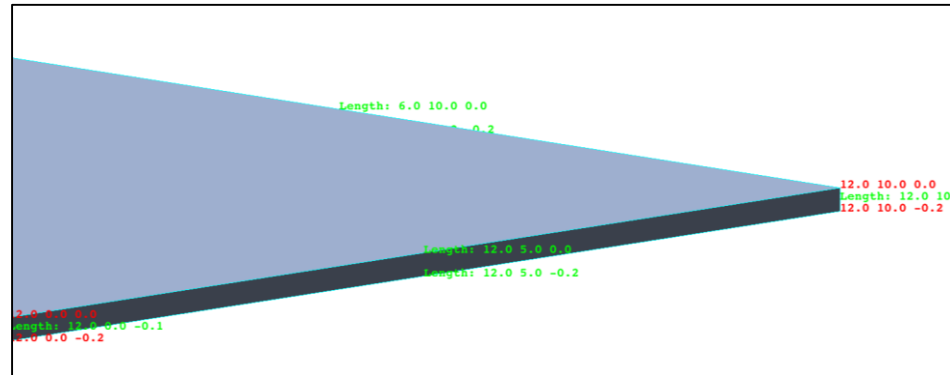
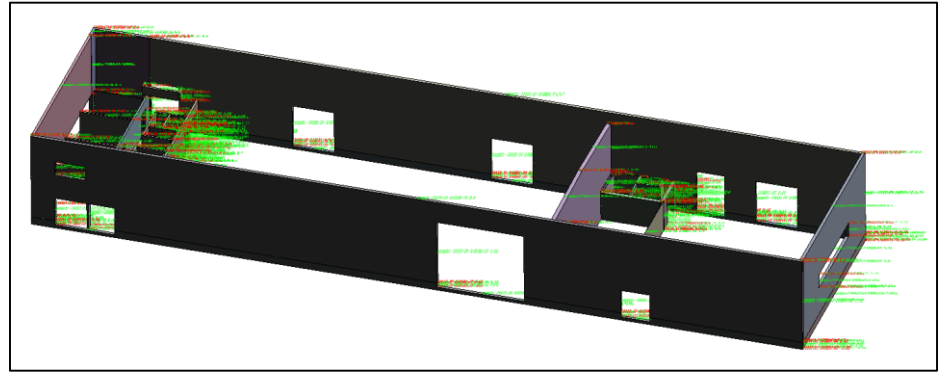
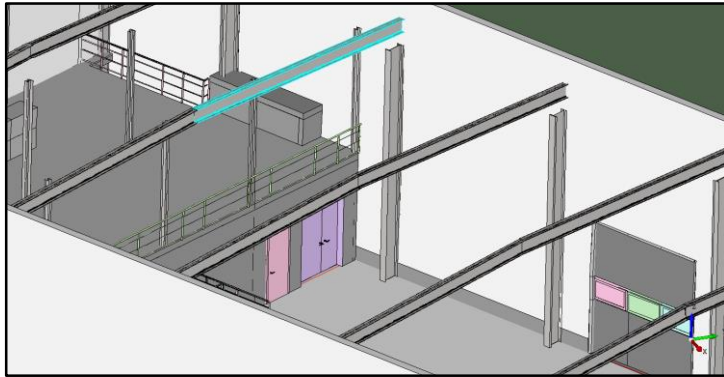
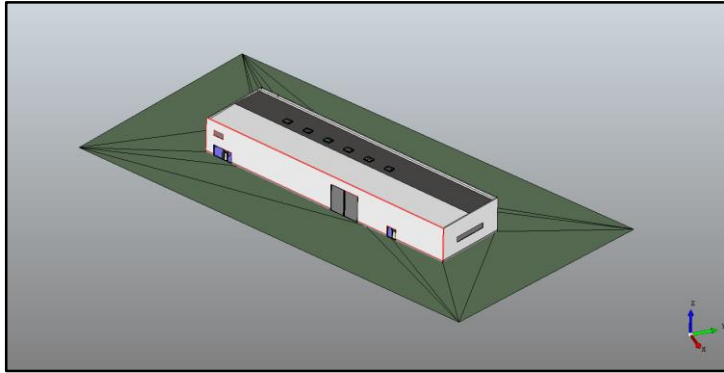


Creation of Brep Shapes

- Shapes can be created for further use in OpenCascade, also for abstract representations as IfcSpaces
- There are some options to include e.g. IfcConnectedFaceSets or IfcOpeningElement



Geometrical Information



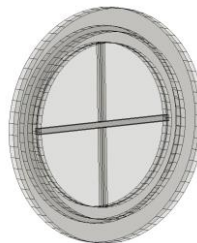
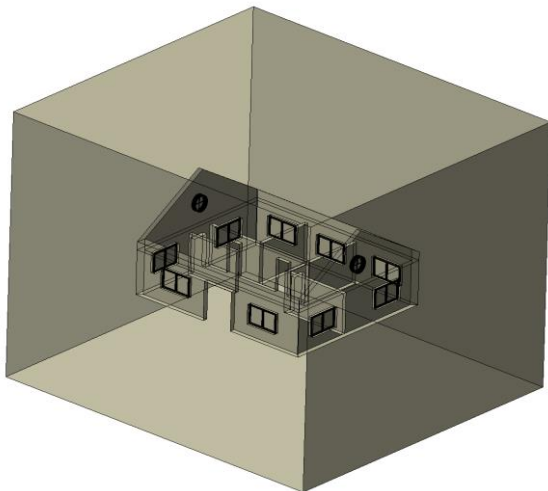
Geometrical Smoothing and product filtering

Needs to be done for high performance and speed as well as robustness

- IFC file:
 - Filtering using IfcOpenShell (semantical data, hierarchy of IFC file)
 - ...
- Geometry:
 - Oriented bounding box
 - ...

Boolean Operations

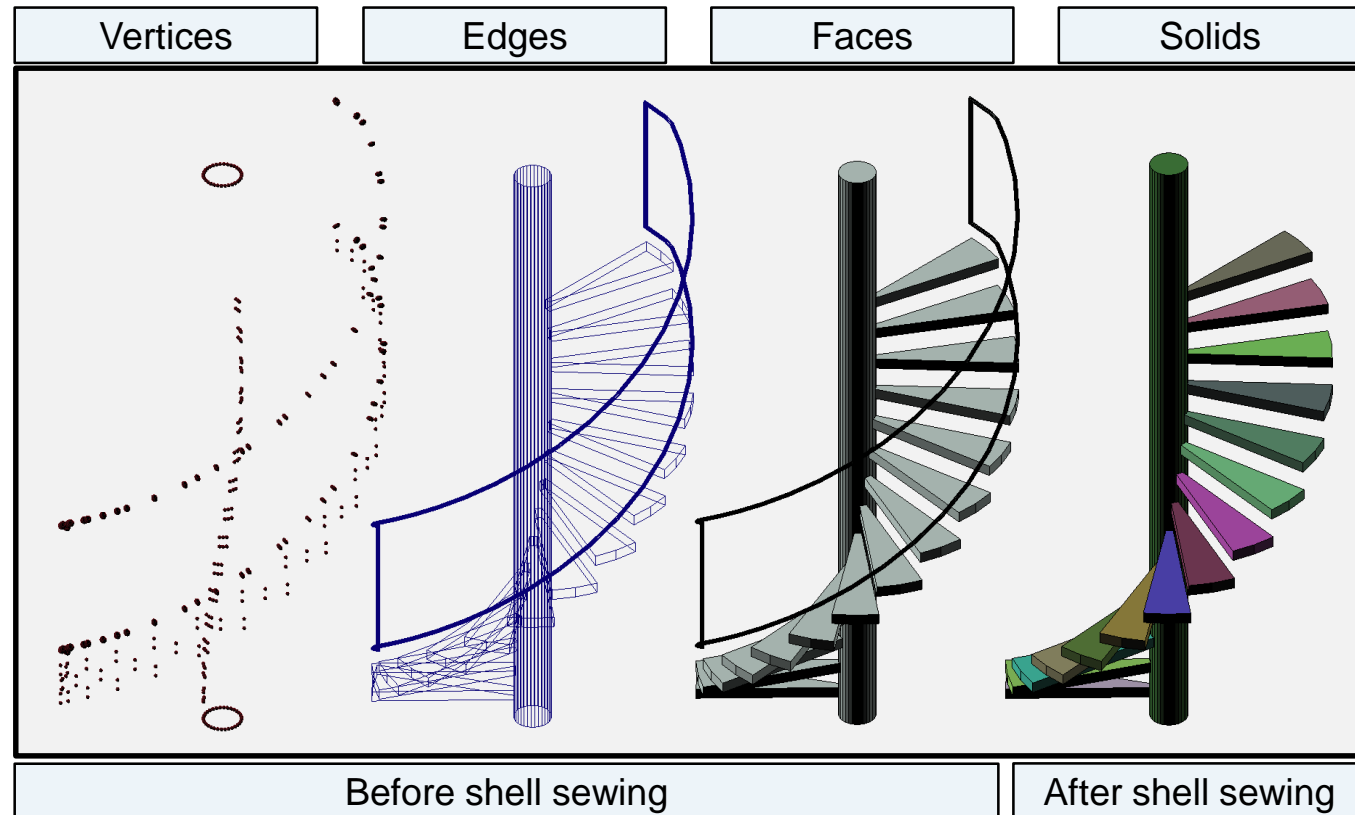
- Boolean Operations, which allow creating new shapes from the combinations of source shapes. For two shapes $S1$ and $S2$:
 - *Common* contains all points that are in $S1$ and $S2$;
 - *Fuse* contains all points that are in $S1$ or $S2$;
 - *Cut* contains all points in that are in $S1$ and not in $S2$



- Negative of walls and windows
- Fail for non-sewed shells

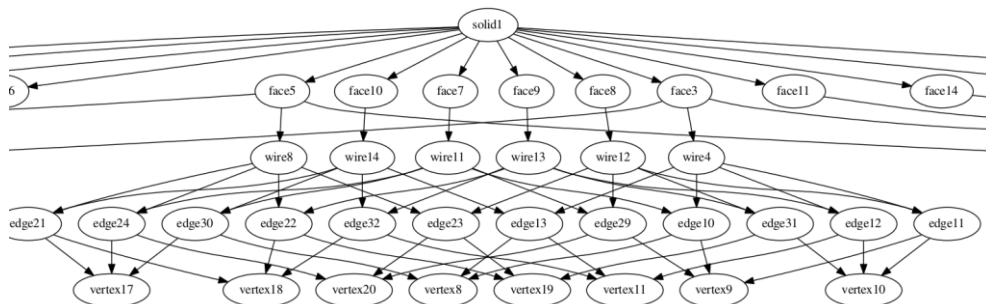
Topological Elements

- Staircase and its topological elements

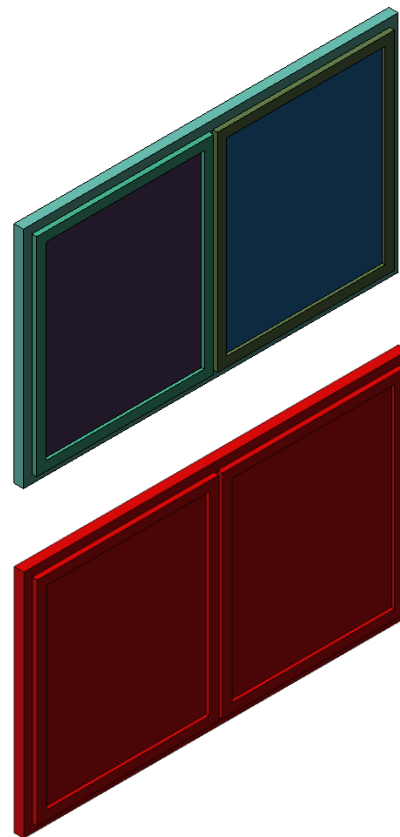
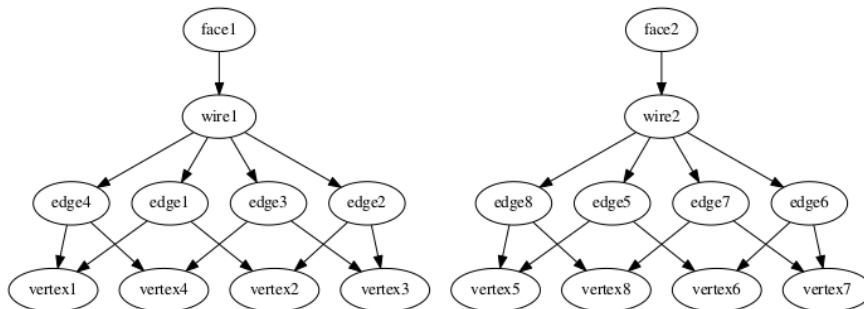


Sew shells

Sewed shells
66 faces
156 edges



Unsewed shells
66 faces
312 edges



Tests

- Connection between building elements using *fuse* and check for *intersection*

