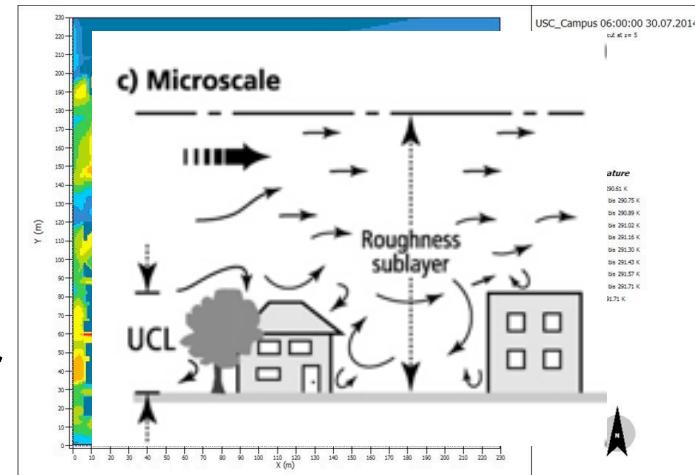
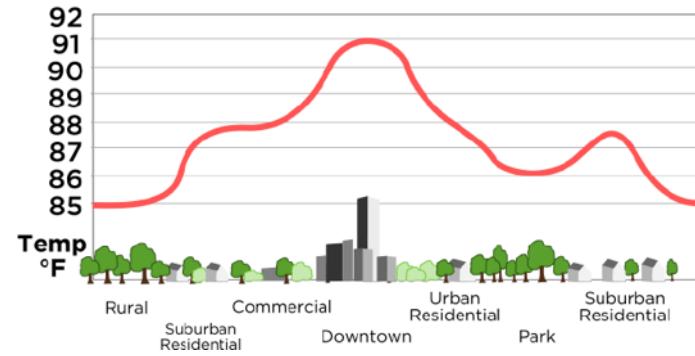


# GeoBIM for microclimate simulations

Natasja van Heerden & Panagiotis Arapakis

# Urban microclimate

- Meso scale
    - Urban Heat Island Effect
  - Micro scale
    - Influence of shadowing, vegetation, structure materials, water
  - Importance
    - Providing correct data for calculations



# Microclimate Simulation tools



*RayMan*



CFD



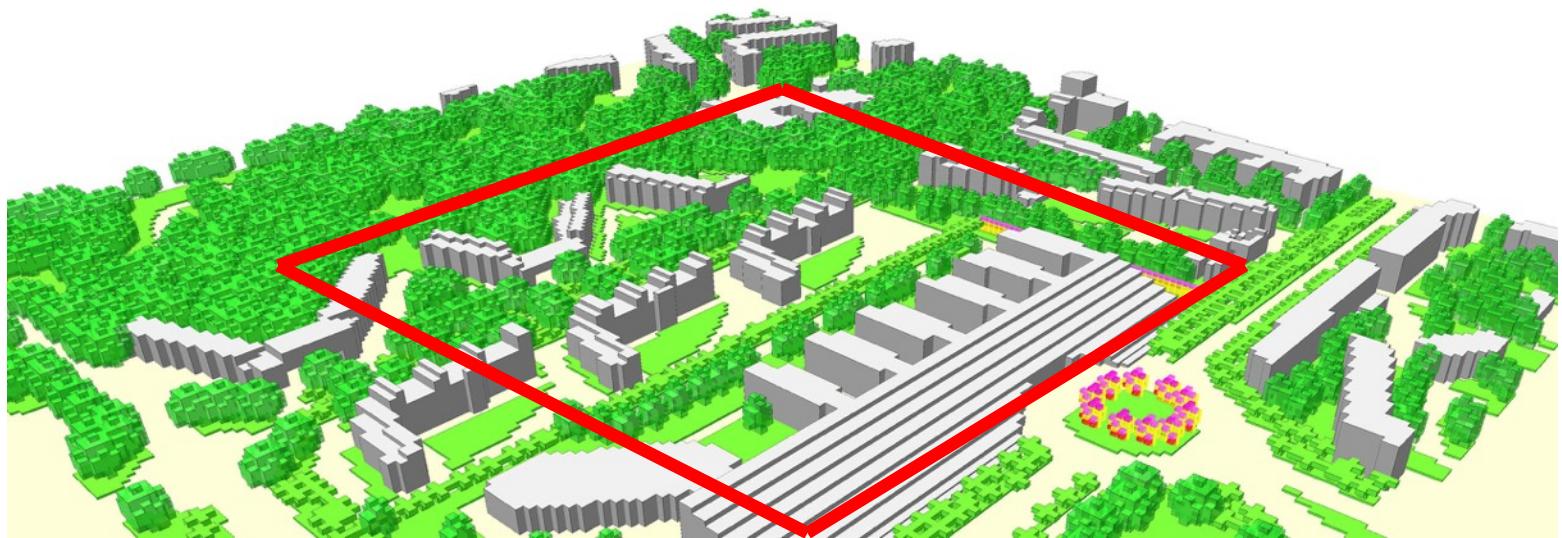
**ENVI  
\_MET**



- Comparing tools:
  - Simplification of models
  - Variables
  - Ease of use
  - One main focus
- Most complete tools:  
CitySim Pro & ENVI-met

# ENVI-met

- Computation Fluid Dynamics(CFD)
- Resolution (0.5-10m)
- Modelling of airflow, moisture and heat exchange processes between surfaces, building physics, vegetation, bioclimatology and pollution



# ENVI-met outputs

- Calculate a wide variety of parameters
  - Atmosphere (Air temperature, thermal comfort etc..)
  - Buildings (SVF, longwave emitted etc..)
  - Trees (Plant CO2 Flux, Stomata resistance etc..)
  - Soils (Surface temperature, Shadow % etc..)
- Voxel data (binary)
- Aggregated data (text)



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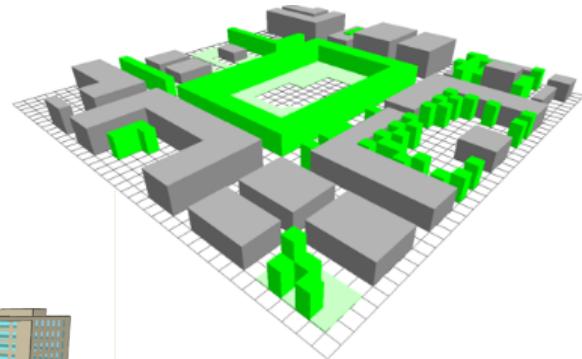
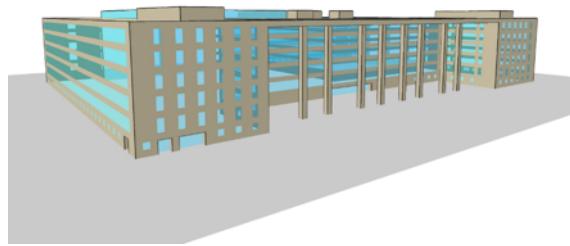
# Use of digital 3D models

- 3D models (CAD geometries)
- Semantic 3D models
  - BIM (building scale)
    - IFC, gbXML..
  - 3D GIS (City – district scale)
    - CityGML, CityJSON..

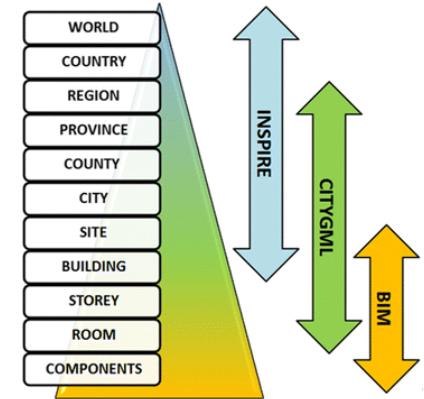
# ENVI-met scale

- Area input file

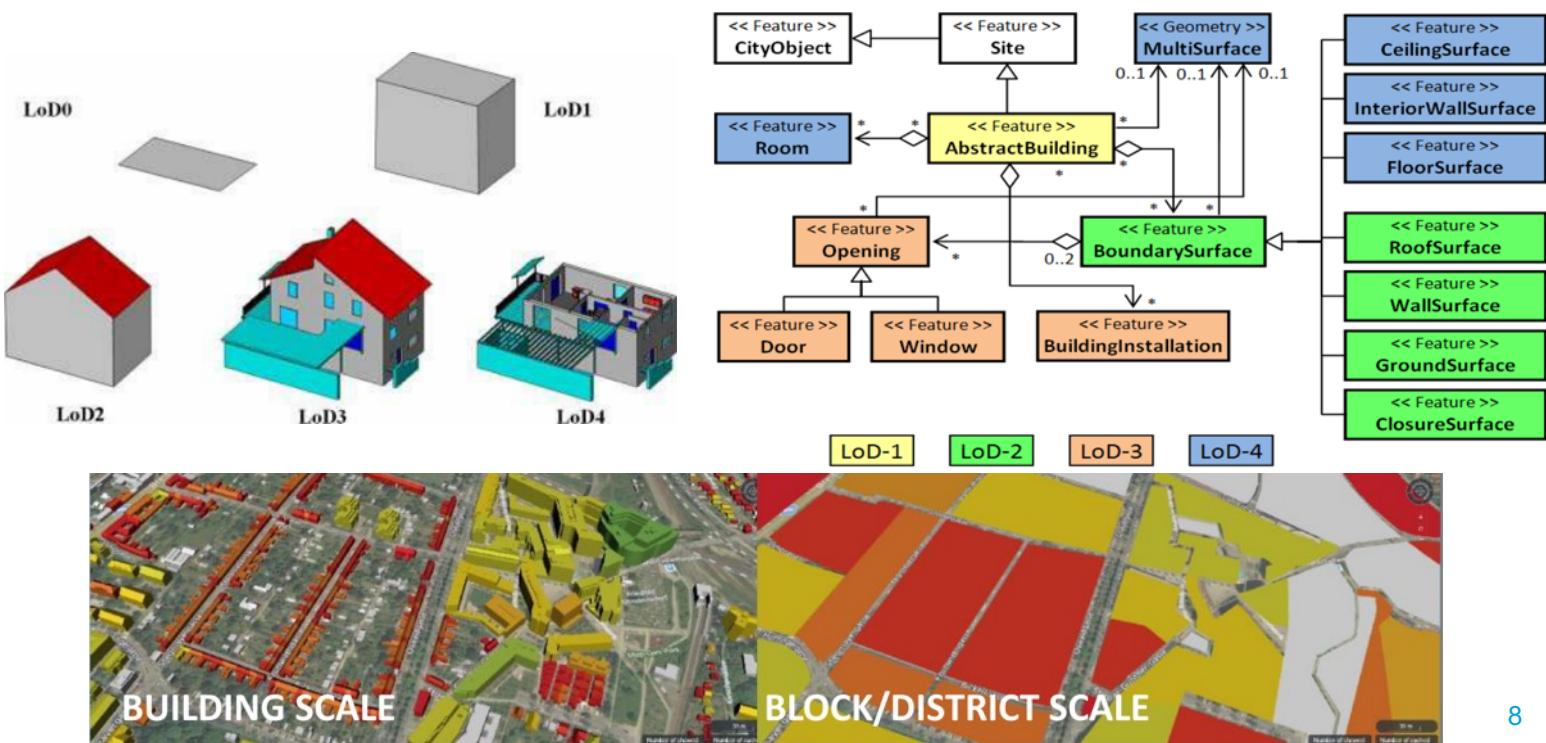
- 2.5 D
  - 3D



- Incorporating geometry & urban features
  - Limited to  $(\sim 300 \times 300 \times 100)$



# Building information in 3D city model (CityGML + Energy ADE), BIM (if available)

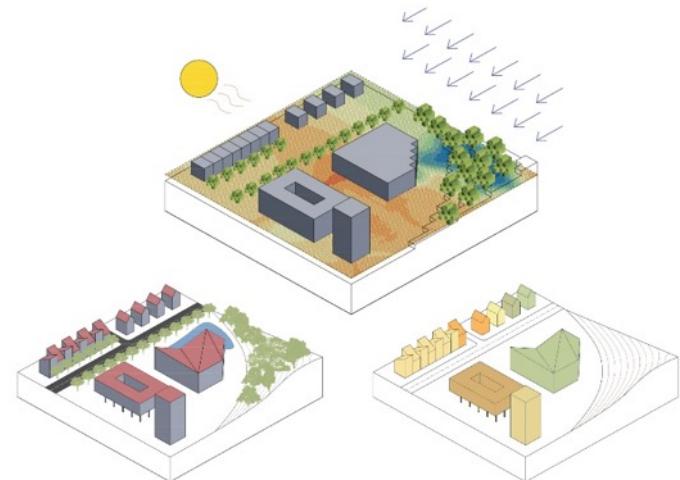


# My work

- The use of 3D models in microclimatic studies – First steps to couple CityGML with ENVI-met

By Panagiotis Arapakis

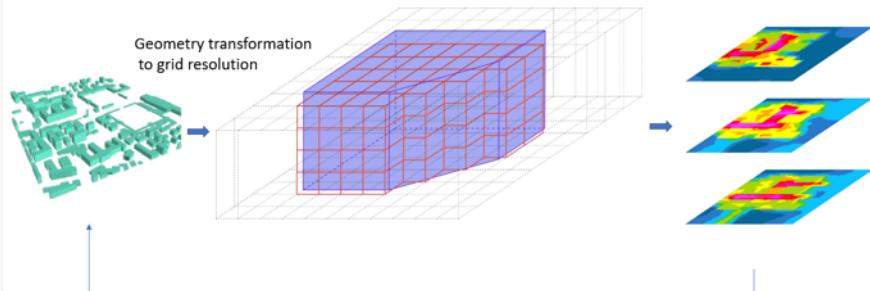
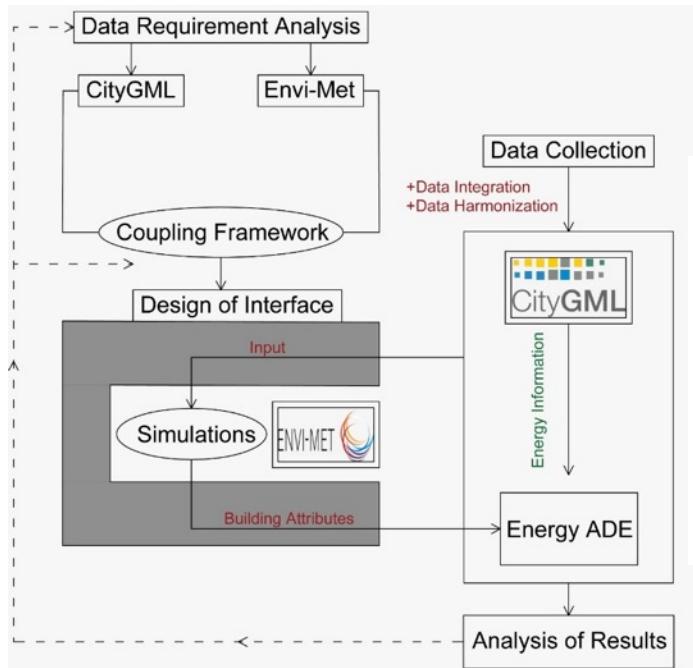
Mentors : Giorgio Agugiaro,  
Daniela Maiullari



# Aims

- Establish an automate data flow between ENVI-met & CityGML standard (Minimize human intervention)
- Store useful results back to the 3D City model to use them as input for other studies

# Methodology

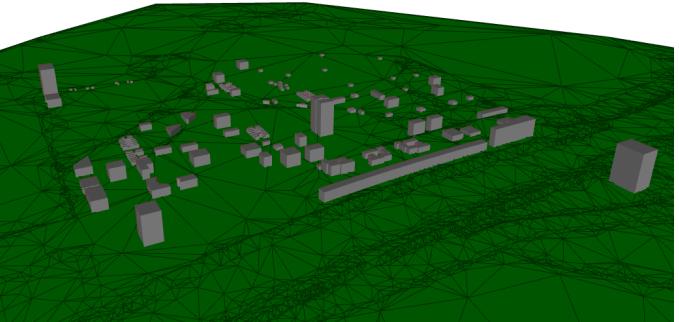
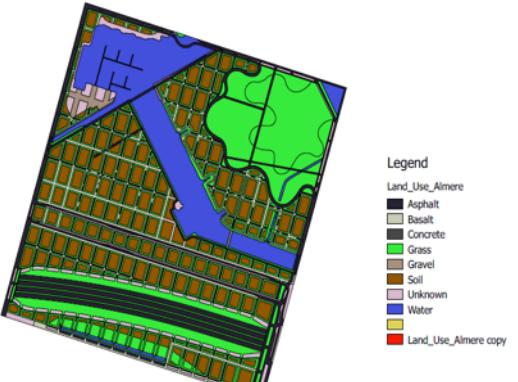
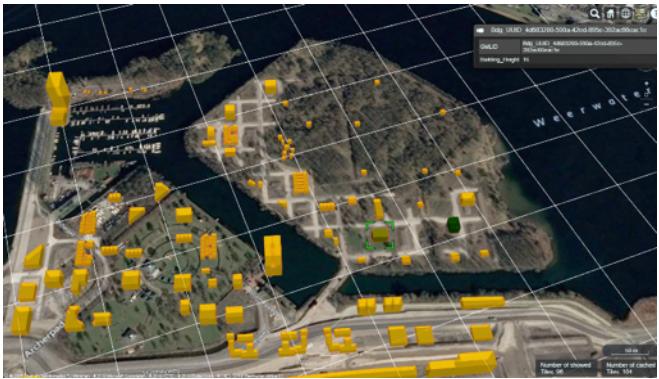


# Test case

- Almere (Floriade 2022)
  - Newly developed area with 660 building Units
  - International Horticultural Expo
  - Growing Green Cities

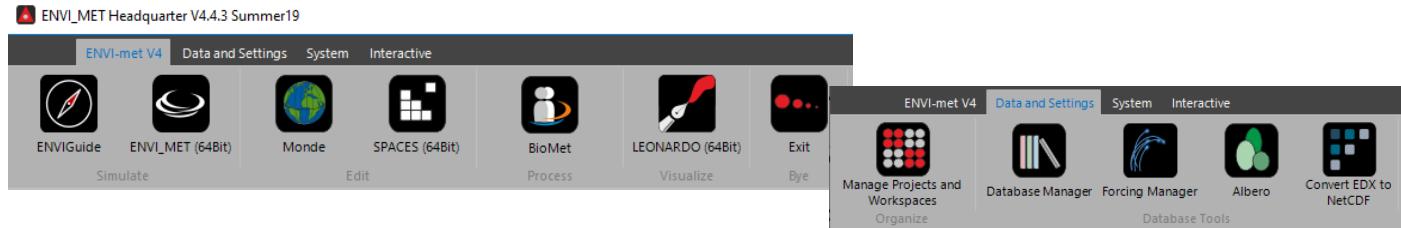


# Floriade CityGML model



# ENVI-met requirements

- Input (Configuration File)
  - Voxelized model (Area Input File) (2.5D)
  - Weather at its boundaries
  - Databases (materials and plants)
  - Simulation parameters (day, extent, roughness value etc)



# Metadata

Change or create model domain settings

Model Location Model Geometry Consent Design ENVI

Georeference Model Location Georeference ENVI

Default Settings for Walls and Roofs

Model Location Setting for Nesting Grids ENVI

Model Location Model Description A brave new area

Model Geometry

Georeference and DEM Level

Default Settings

Nesting Grids

Description and Copyrights

Model Description

A brave new area

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ENVI-MET A holistic microclimate model

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# Urban Data

Buildings

- Height (integer) – matrix data
- Base height (set to 0) – matrix data
- Id (integer) – matrix data

Trees

- Simple trees (Database Link) – matrix data
- 3D trees - Independent tags

Soils

- Database link – matrix data

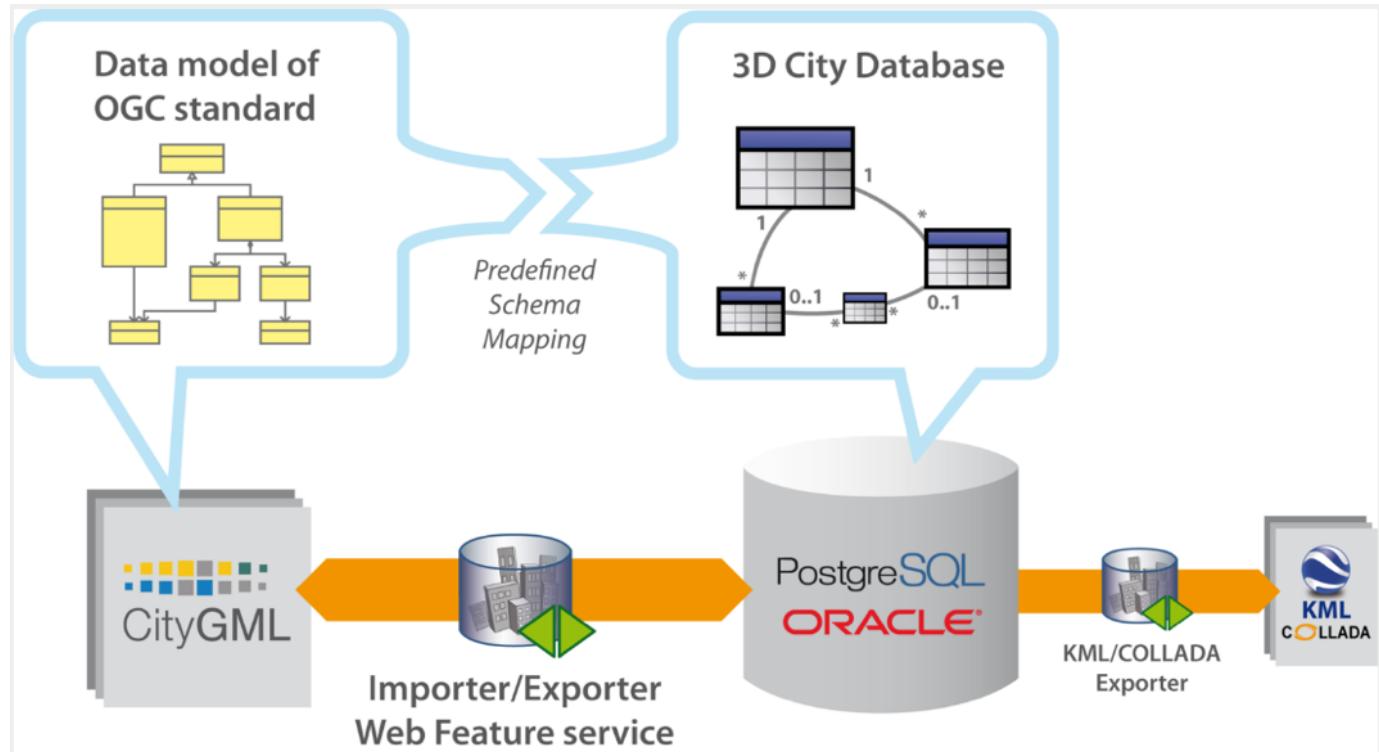
DEM

- Reference Height (float)
- Values (Integer) – matrix data

# Mapped classes & attributes

Weather parameters	User input		
Projection System	CRS		
UTM Zone	Bounding Box		
location longitude	Bounding Box		
location latitude	Bounding Box		
building zTop	<i>Building, Measured_height</i>		
building zBottom	<i>Building, lodo_footprint_geometry</i>		
building NR	<i>Building lodo_footprint_geometry</i>		
simple plants 2D	Vegetation, Solitary Vegetation Object ,height&crown diameter)		
plants 3D	<i>LandUse, Usage 'Forest'</i>	Vegetation, Solitary Vegetation Object height&crown diameter)	
soils 2D	<i>Building = ( default soil)</i>	<i>Land Use, gen_attribute (Material)</i>	<i>Plant_Cover Usage, 'Forest'</i>
dem (+z reference)	<i>TIN_Relief(+BoundingBox)</i>		

# Reading and writing Data



# Reading data

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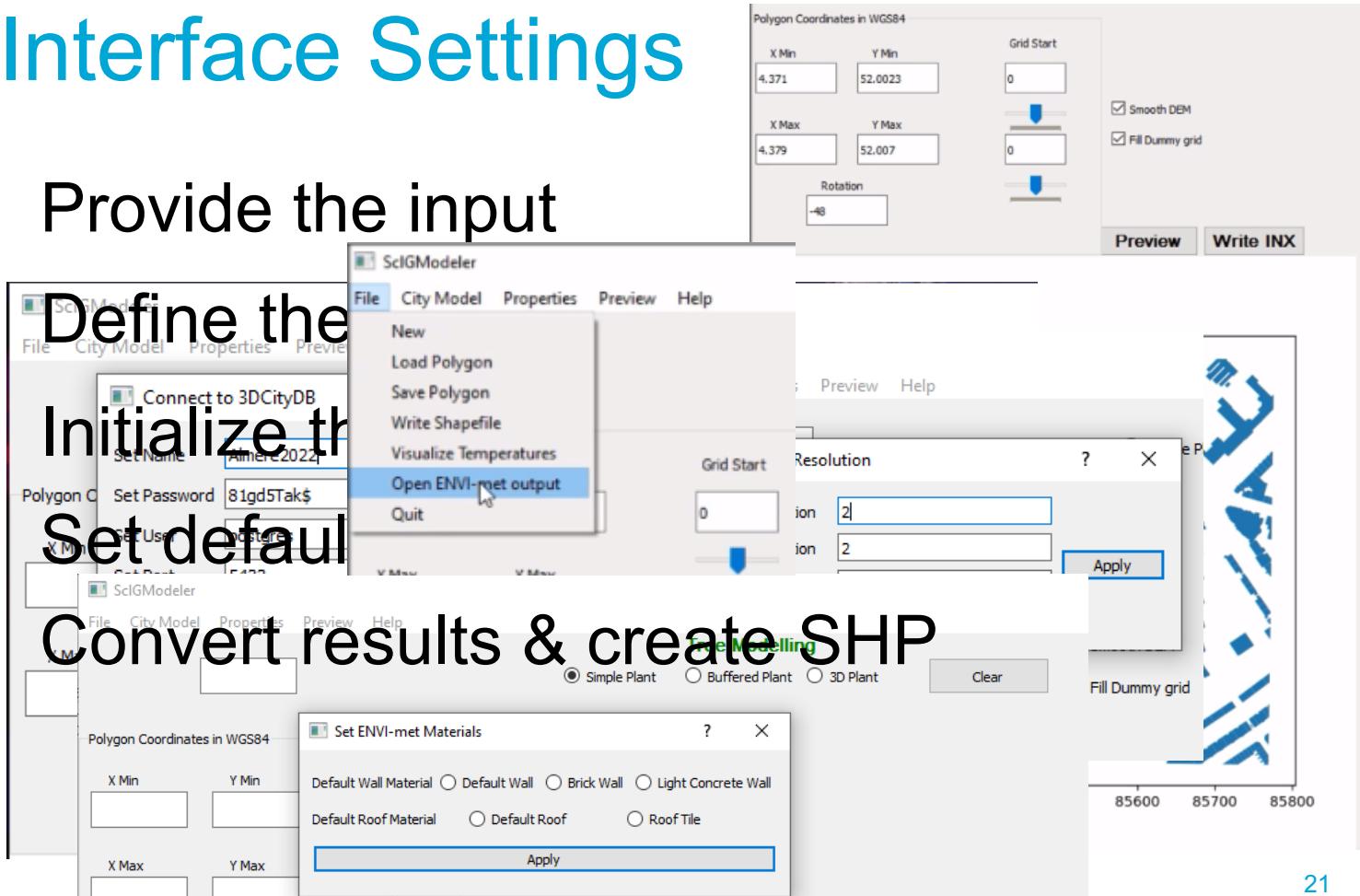
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- Energy ADE *TimeSeries* & *WeatherData* classes

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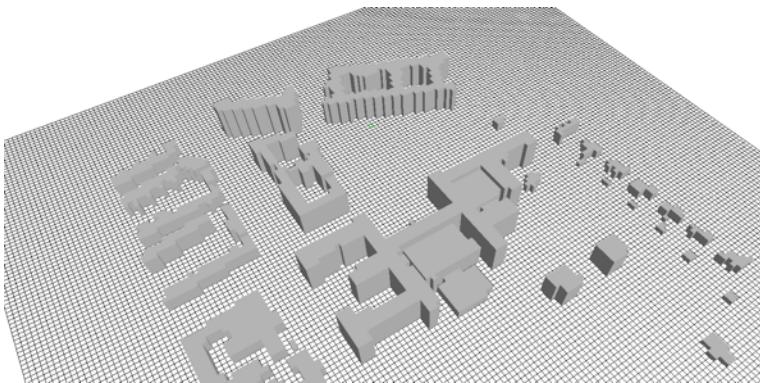
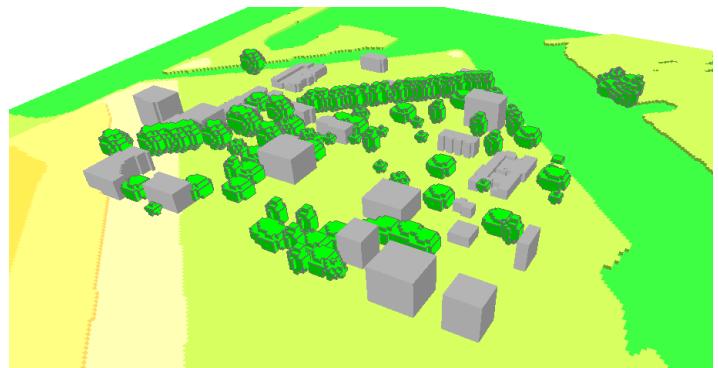
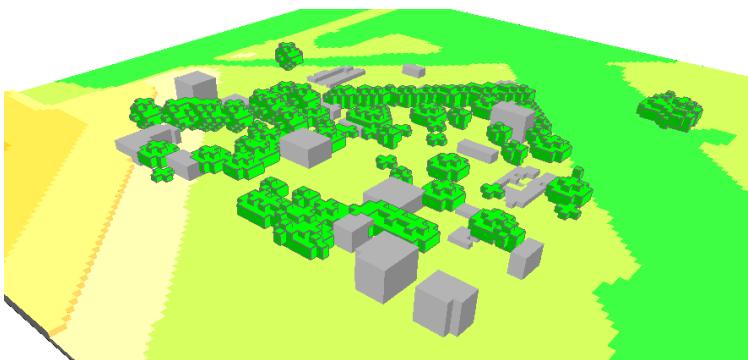
- Provide the input
- Define the output
- Initialize the model
- Set default materials
- Convert results & create SHP



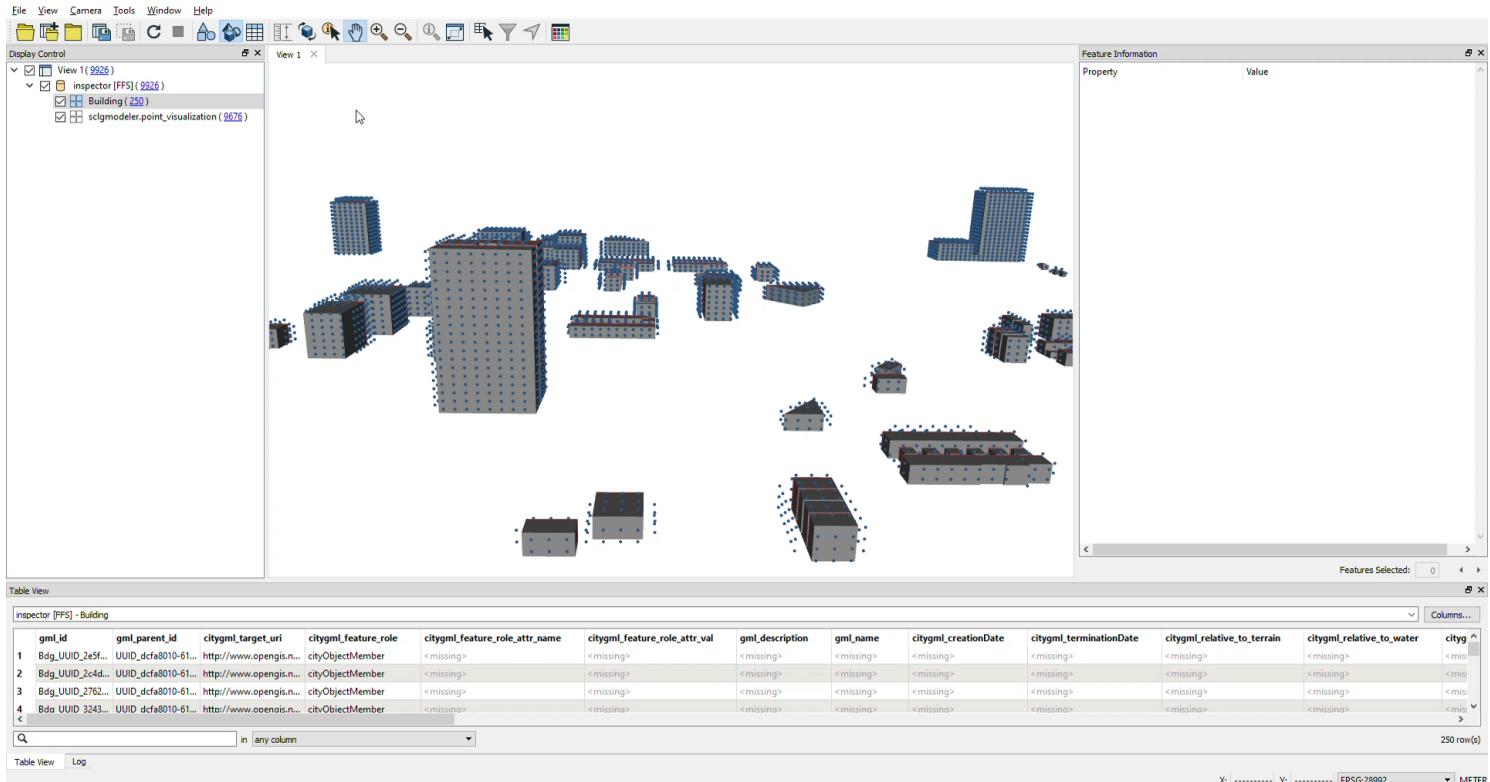
# Results

- Area Input files
  - Different resolutions
  - From different source datasets
- Results in vector format (Point Cloud)
  - Visualization
  - Easier processing
- Augmented CityGML classes
  - Buildings with average outdoor temperature
  - Many more outputs can be examined

# Area input files



# Point cloud on same crs



# Implementation quality check of interface

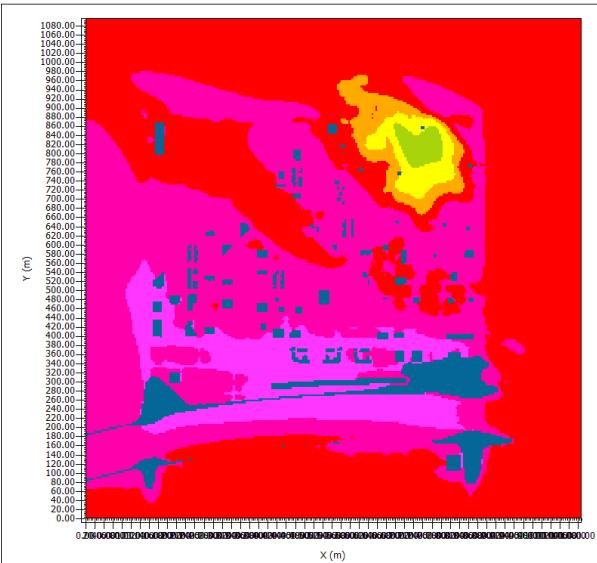
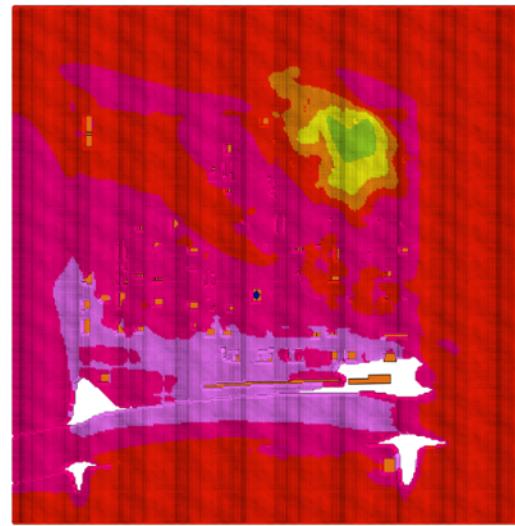


Figure 1:  
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x/y Cut at k=2 (z=7.5000 m)



# 2 sets of simulations

A. Three test (simulations) conducted to study the effect of different vegetation type

B. Simulations of two different scenario

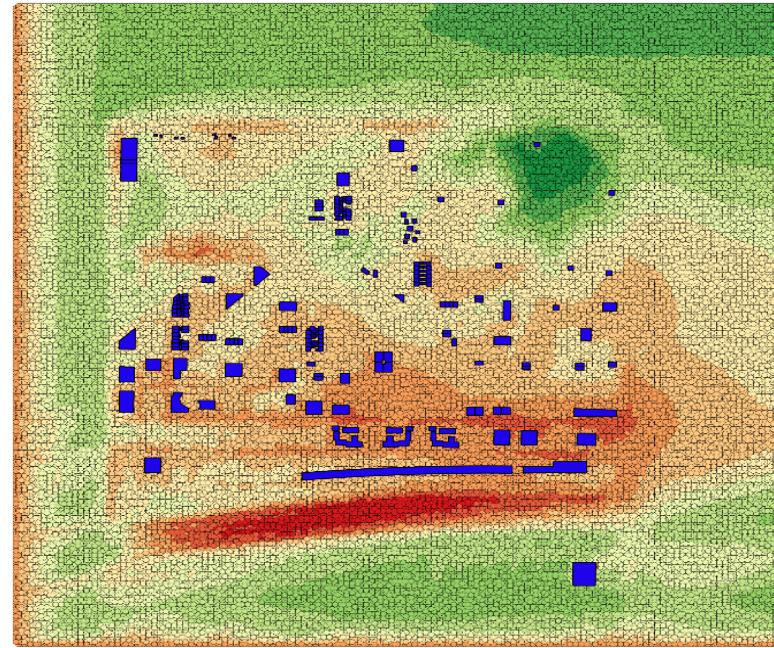
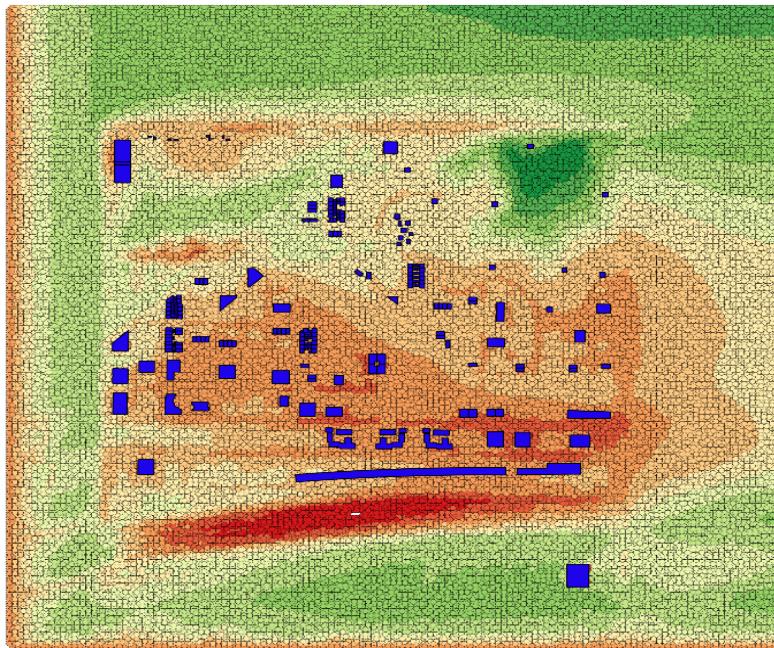
- Full Forcing – data from Lelystand Station
- Duration 31h (17:00 – 23.59)

# Vegetation Tests



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Building 1	Simple tree	22.441	23.259	23.753	23.750	24.274	24.351	24.105	23.837	23.538	22.706	20.168	17.019
	Buffered tree	22.414	23.261	23.740	23.742	24.267	24.353	24.124	23.855	23.533	22.702	20.120	17.009
	3D tree	22.370	23.229	23.705	23.705	24.230	24.322	24.087	23.819	23.493	22.587	19.963	16.961
Building 2	Simple tree	22.491	23.328	23.844	23.840	24.376	24.488	24.254	24.020	23.680	22.719	20.048	16.937
	Buffered tree	22.458	23.404	23.876	23.893	24.409	24.554	24.335	24.072	23.678	22.628	19.995	16.929
	3D tree	22.245	23.165	23.650	23.641	24.155	24.313	24.087	23.792	23.426	22.464	19.909	16.892
Building 3	Simple tree	22.441	23.293	23.768	23.768	24.302	24.288	24.228	24.002	23.618	22.528	19.901	16.853
	Buffered tree	22.415	23.383	23.774	23.784	24.312	24.300	24.322	24.092	23.635	22.453	19.886	16.859
	3D tree	22.294	23.206	23.637	23.638	24.170	24.166	24.152	23.908	23.503	22.393	19.849	16.826
	22.25	22.85	23.45	23.35	23.85	23.75	23.65	23.45	23.25	22.35	19.85	16.85	

# Scenario simulations



	08:00	09:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	13:00	14:00	15:00	16:00	17:00	18:00	19:00	20:00
Temperature	26	27.5	28	30	31.5	32.5	33	33	33	32	30	28	26
Rel. Humidity	61	56	56	56	48	46	49	46	51	54	57	63	71
Wind Speed	2	3	3	3	3	3	5	5	4	3	3	3	3
Wind Direction	90	130	130	120	110	180	190	210	200	290	300	310	270

# Conclusions

- Successfully implementation of the bi-directional interface
  - CityGML can be used to prepare automatically a voxelized model of ENVI-met
  - We can retrieve the results AND store them
- Birth of SciGModeLer
- Methodology already applicable to other outputs
- Even more outputs can be stored back

# Limitations – Future work

- Test interface
- Evaluate mapping of more CityGML classes
- Examine and return more attributes
- Construction of 3D area input file & automatic preparation of weather files

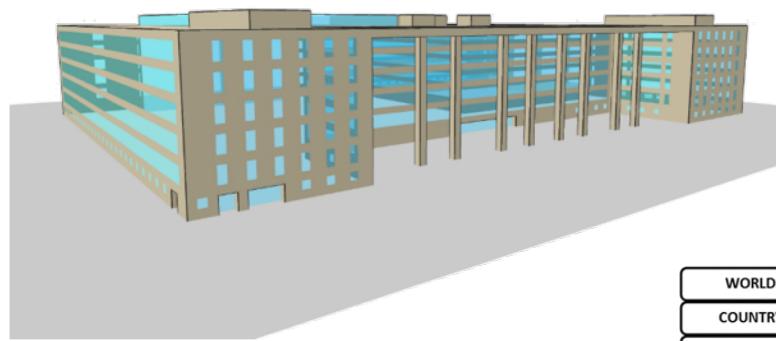


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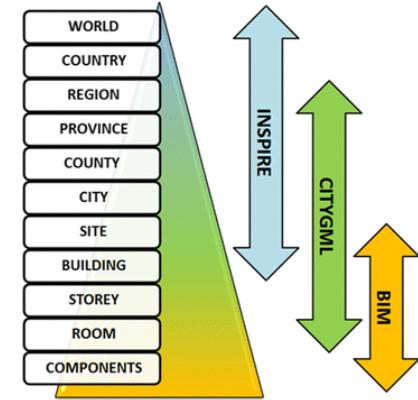
# How more?

- Area input file

- 2.5 D
  - **3D**



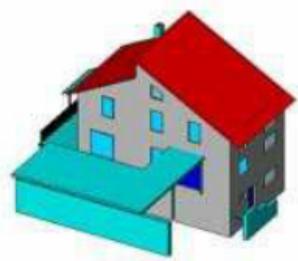
- Incorporating more detailed geometry & building components information



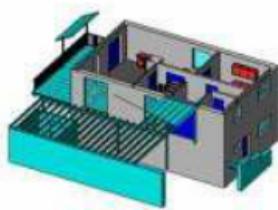


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# How more?



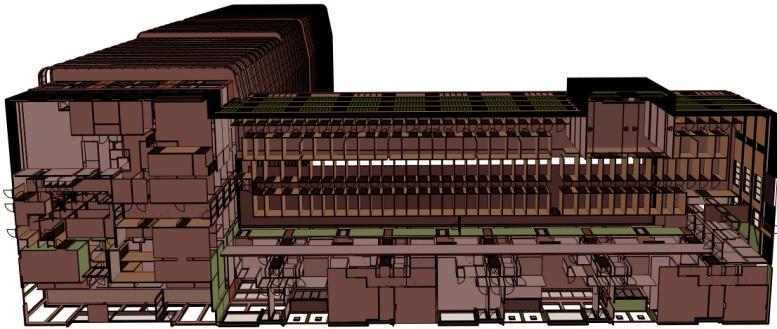
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LoD4



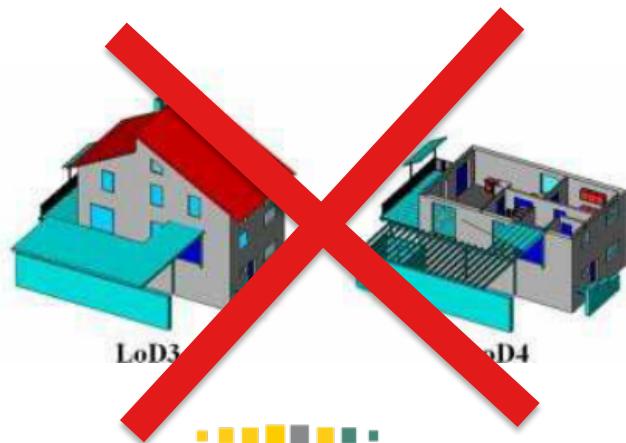
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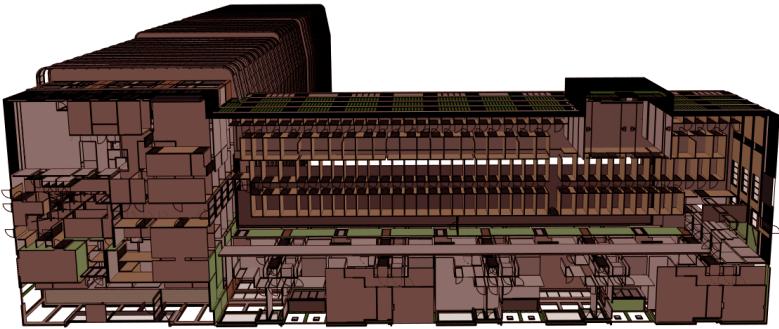


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# How more?



  
CityGML  
+ Energy ADE



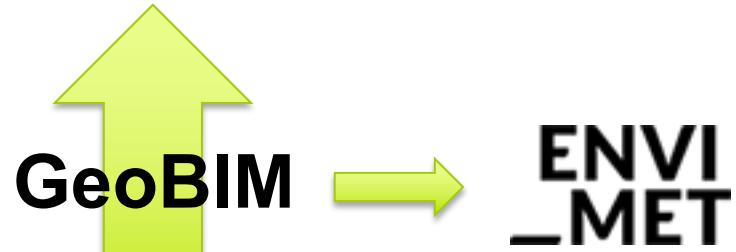


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# How more?



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CityGML





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# How more?





Generated by Surface Model  
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# Floriade IFC model





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# Research Questions

*How can **BIM** information be **integrated** in a **3D city model**,  
in order to improve **microclimate simulations**?*

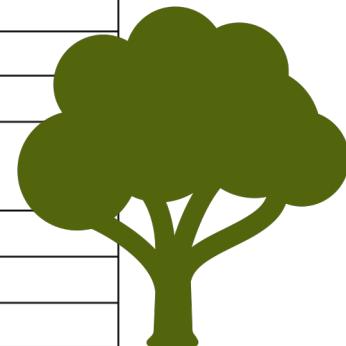
- What **data** is needed for **microclimate simulation**? Where can this information be found in IFC and CityGML schemes and **real data**?
- What **IFC entities** should be selected for a smooth conversion and simulation? What **guidelines** for designers could help the process?
- At what **level of detail** (LOD) should the CityGML be for the best result of the microclimate simulation in ENVI-met?
- How to **convert** the BIM information effectively in a 3D city model, to be usable in microclimate simulations? What **geometrical issues** do we run in to and how to deal with this?



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# Initial semantic mapping and available data

Required elements	Representation in IFC schema*	Representation in existing data
Building:	✓ IfcBuilding and IfcBuildingElement	✓
Geometry	✓ IfcBuilding (Body Geometry)	✓
Walls/Roof	✓ IfcWall, IfcRoof	✓
Material	✓ IfcRelAssociatesMaterial (IfcMaterialDefinition (4), IfcMaterialUsageDefinition (4))	✓
Trees	✓ IfcGeographicElement	~
Vegetation	✓ IfcGeographicElement	~
Soil	✓ IfcGeographicElement	~
Infrastructure	✓ IfcCivilElement (4) (IfcGeographicElement (2x3))	~
Water	IfcGeographicElement	x
Location	✓ IfcSite	~
Terrain height	✓ IfcSite	~





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# Mapping

Required elements		In IFC schema	In existing IFC data	In CityGML schema	In existing CityGML data
<b>Model geometry</b>					
<b>Location data</b>	✓	~		✓	✓
<b>Building 2D/3D</b>	✓	✓		✓	✓
<b>Wall/single wall</b>	✓	✓		~	~
<b>Greening</b>				✗	✗
<b>3D Plants</b>	✓	~		✓	~
<b>Simple plants</b>	✓	~		✓	~
<b>Soils</b>	Soils	✓ ~	~	~	✗
	Infrastructure	✓ ~	~	✓	~
	Water	~	✗	✓	~
<b>Sources</b>					
<b>DEM 2D/3D</b>		✓	~	✓	~

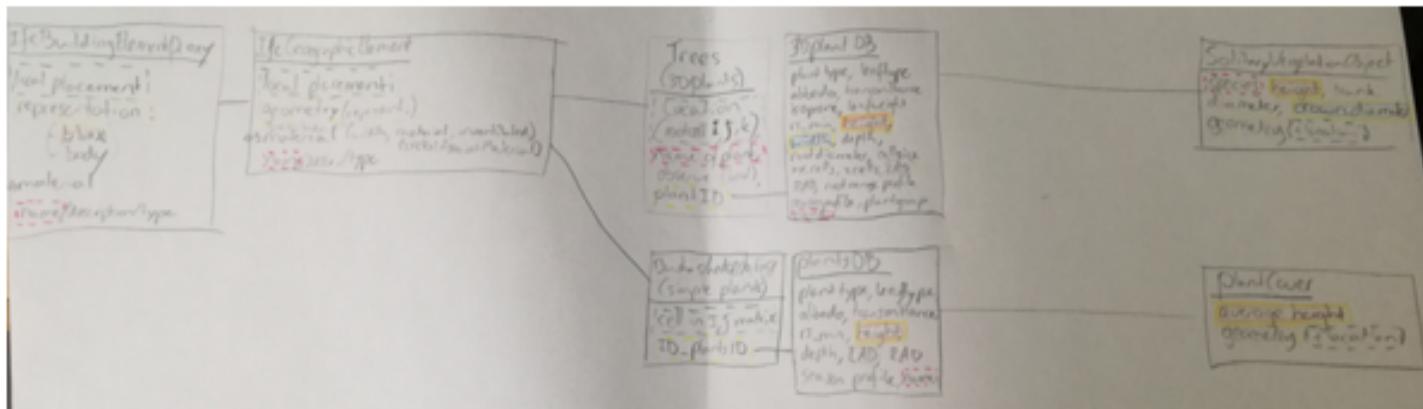


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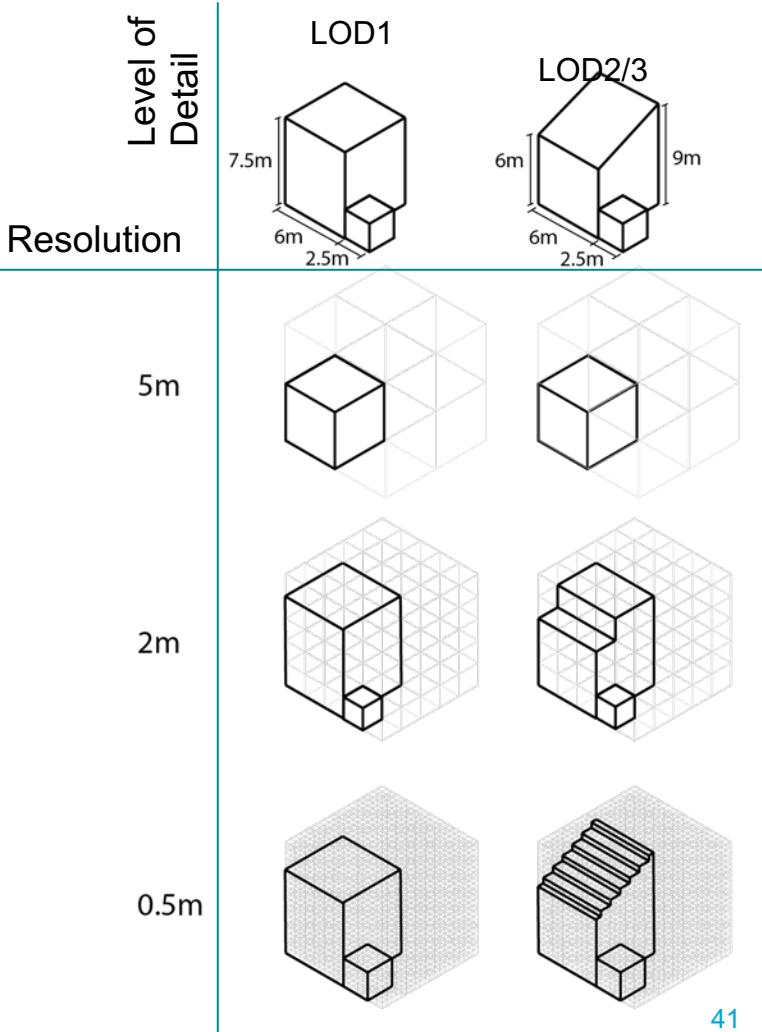
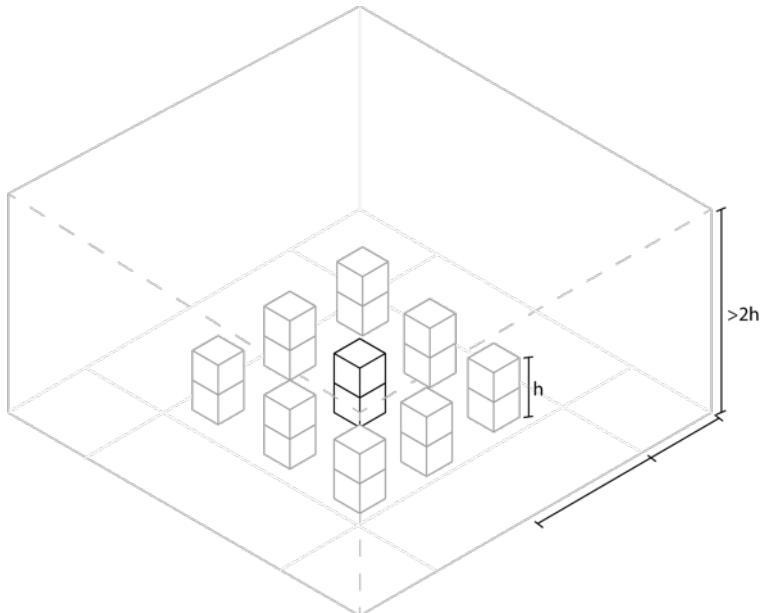
## Example [Vegetation]

- What information to define **input file**
  - information for **vegetation from IFC** (including exact entities, elements, characteristics)
  - information for **vegetation from CityGML** (including exact classes, elements, characteristics)





# Geometry





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# A Similar case: gbXML vs IFC



## Green Building XML

An industry supported standard for storing and sharing building properties between 3D Architectural and **Engineering Analysis Software.**



<https://gbxml.org>



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# Early conclusions

- We can find the needed detailed information in BIM **but**:
  - The modelling has to follow **guidelines** and include such information in the design;
  - An **improved method** is needed to **exchange the information** between different formats (not 1:1 mapping);
  - **Manual integration** still needed in some cases.
- Once the method will be ready, it will be possible to test very efficiently the impact of the designed building on the environment, without additional effort.

# Conclusions

- Effective reuse of existing information (3D city models and BIM)
- Good integration methodology is critical to achieve efficient workflow
- As long as modelling criteria and requirements

## Possible next

- Integration of simulation results in 3D city model and improvement with energy information.