



Getting to “Zero” with Autodesk® Revit® and Autodesk® Navisworks®

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MP3730 Even with a fully coordinated Revit® model of every discipline, Architectural beauty comes at the cost of a challenging construction phase. In this Lecture, you will learn how coordination on the Yale School of Management was managed using Navisworks in conjunction with fabrication-quality modelling. Rule-based clash detection will be explored as a primary evaluation and visualization method for coordination problems and developing real-time solutions in the BIM Model. Participants will leave the lecture with a clear understanding of how to best integrate and utilize clash detection to coordinate a building of any level of complexity.

Learning Objectives

At the end of this class, you will be able to:

- The participants will learn how to coordinate the MEP systems, structures and architecture in an architecturally complex building.
- The participants will learn the benefits and the pitfalls of using BIM to coordinate a project.
- The participants will learn how the coordination processes changes when using BIM, including meetings required, the participants needed and the project workflow.
- The participants will learn how to include reasonable constructability tolerances in the coordination process to minimize contractor claims in the field and reduce project risk.

About the Speaker

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Introduction:

- The Project
- The BIM Process
- The clash detection process
 - “ZERO” and managing the expectations
 - Evolving weekly collaboration
 - Quantifying the De-Clashing time
 - Navisworks Workflow
 - Best Practices

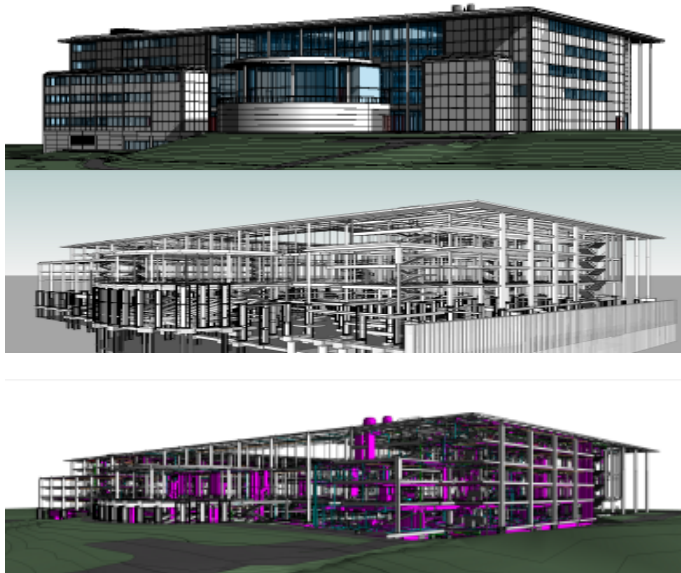
THE PROJECT: Yale School of Management



- Design Architect: Foster + Partners
- Architect of Record: Gruzen Samton
- Site: Yale University main campus, New Haven, CT
- Size: 235,000 sf

- Project Value: \$250M
- Target Completion date: April 2014
- Services Provided: S, M, E, P, FP, LEED, COSA
- LEED Certified

The BIM Process



MODELED, CLASHED

- DUCTWORK – ALL RISERS, MAIN BRANCH
- MECH PIPES – ALL RISERS, MAIN & BRANCH
- PLUMBING – ALL RISERS, MAIN, & BRANCH
- SPRINKLERS - ALL RISERS, MAIN & BRANCH

MODELED, NOT CLASHED

- PRESSURIZED & BRANCH PIPING 2" OR SMALLER
- NOT MODELED = NOT CLASHED
- NO CONDUIT [LOD 400 – 500]
- NO RECEPTACLES, NO DEVICES
- NO BOLTS, GUSSET PLATES, CONNECTIONS

THE CLASH DETECTION PROCESS

- Benefits:
 - Ambitious goals realized.
 - IDENTIFY tight spots DURING DESIGN PHASE [NOT IN CA]
 - Visualization of the problems YIELDS AIDS QUICK SOLUTIONS
- Pitfalls:
 - Underestimating the time required
 - Managing the process & DE-CLASHING takes lots of effort / TIME / RESOURCES
 - Failure to manage your client's expectations

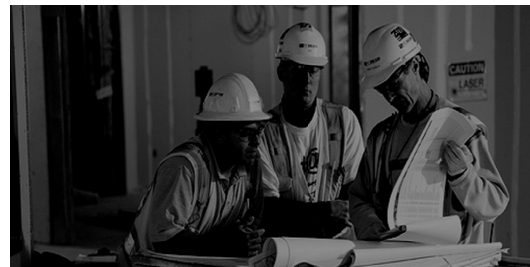
(Learning objective 2)

DOES THE COORDINATION PROCESS CHANGE?

HOW: **ALL 3D DESIGN MODELS VS. 2D SEQUENTIAL OVERLAY**

WHO: **THE DESIGN MODELERS VS. PROJECT LEADS**

WHEN: **VARIES, POSSIBLY THROUGHOUT VS. AFTER DESIGN IS DONE**



CLASH DETECTION SUMMARY FOR YALE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT

GOALS:

1. "ZERO" CLASH BIM MODELS – OWNER REQ.
2. REDUCE EFFORTS REQUIRED FOR CONTRACTOR COORDINATION

CONSTRAINTS:

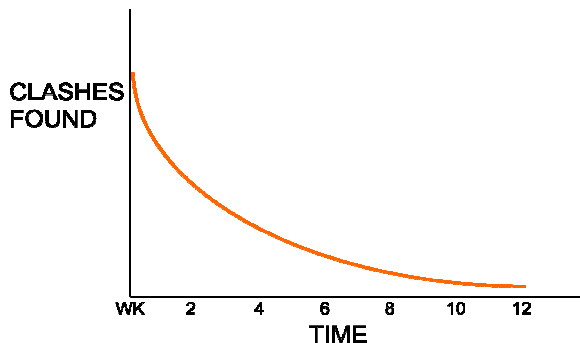
- 12 WEEKS
- 5 BH STAFF RESOURCED TO THIS TASK
- WEEKLY PROGRESS MEETINGS

- ENTIRE DESIGN TEAM PARTICIPATED

WHAT IS “ZERO” ?:

- ZERO CLASHES FOUND WITH ALL PITCHED PIPING MODELED
- ZERO CLASHES FOUND WITH ALL SERVICES 2” OR LARGER MODELED
- CONTRACTOR ABSOLVES DESIGN TEAM OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANYTHING SMALLER / PRESSURIZED **

**** MAY BE MODELED, BUT IGNORED DURING CLASH DETECTION
CONSIDERED TO BE RESOLVED WITH COORDINATION IN THE FIELD**



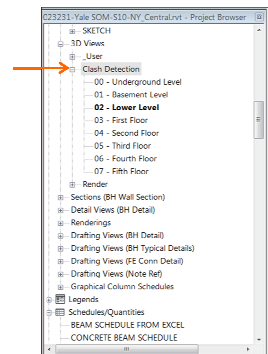
THE CLASH DETECTION: NAVISWORKS WORKFLOW REVIT EXPORT VIEWS

3D export views set up for each level, IN EACH MODEL [M, P, FP]

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****NO LINK GEOMETRY WILL BE EXPORTED**

BEST practice: create & apply view template to isolate elements
before exporting to Navisworks



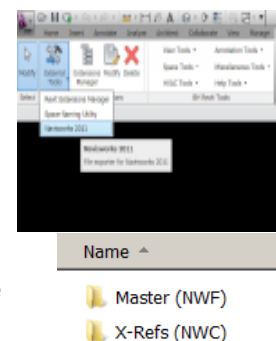
EXPORT [REVIT ADD-IN]

NAVISWORKS GEOMETRY CAN BE EXPORTED FROM REVIT AS
.NWC FILE FORMAT. **

****CAN BE TIME CONSUMING**

BEST PRACTICE: USE CONSISTENT FOLDER STRUCTURE

- One .NWF file for each Building, Floor, Zone. One .NWC file for each clash type, i.e. One file dedicated to HVAC v Structures



NAVISWORKS FILE TYPES

NWC (similar to X-ref)

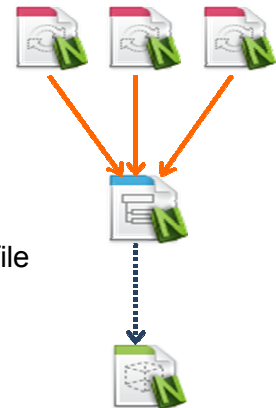
- Exported directly from Revit (Typically 2-5MB MAX)

NWF (Master File)

- All Clash detection / added rules etc. are carried out in this file

NWD

- Similar to bound DWG / PDF

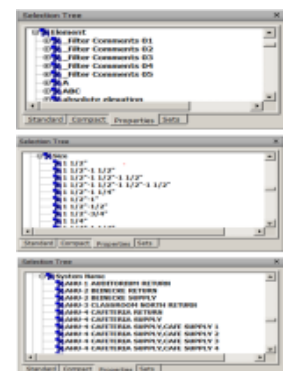


Clash Detective (Batch Tab)

- Batches created to clash every discipline combination of A,S,M,E,P,FP
- Best practice on new Batch creation, follow through the remaining tabs to ensure properties, rules, tolerances are correctly set
- **creating notes/screen shots as a guide may be helpful*

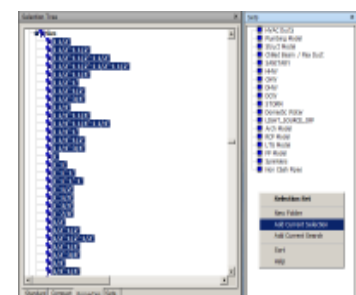
SETS: SELECTION SETS

- Create these Selection Sets using the Selection Tree
- Properties Tab**-> isolate model Elements by various properties
- Despite an extensive range of properties, we only used: size, system name, Light sources, various pieces of equipment (Chilled Beams)



SETS: SELECTION SET CREATION

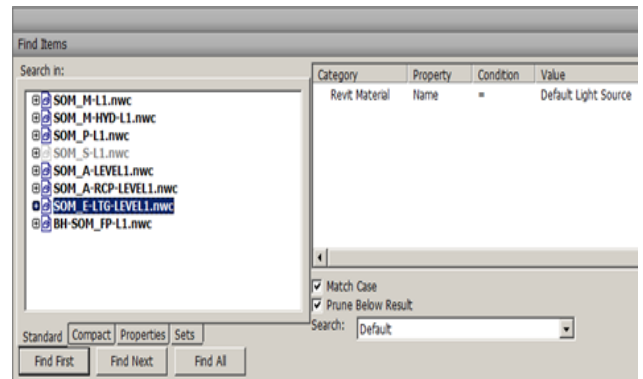
- Navigate to the parameters you're isolating
- Select multiple parameters
- In the Sets menu, right click and select Add Current Selection
- The Selection set is now defined and will be available for use in the rule templates



- navigate to the parameters we want through the Find Items function

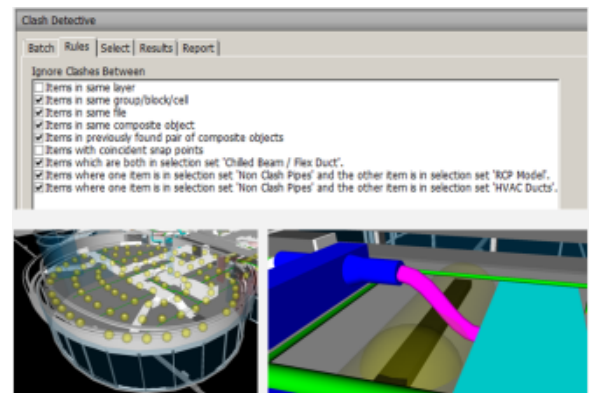
SETS: SEARCH SETS

- This searches through selected models for available parameters
- In the Sets menu, right click and select Add Current Search
- Export your Rules / Search Sets



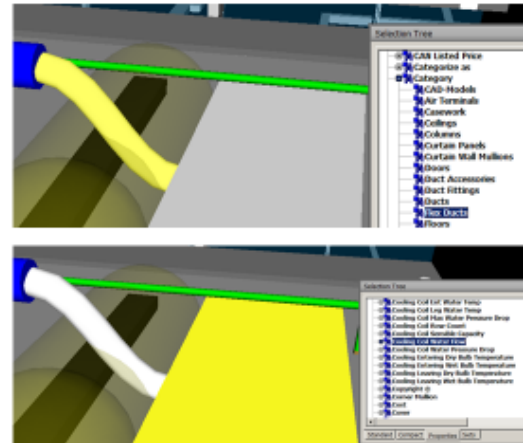
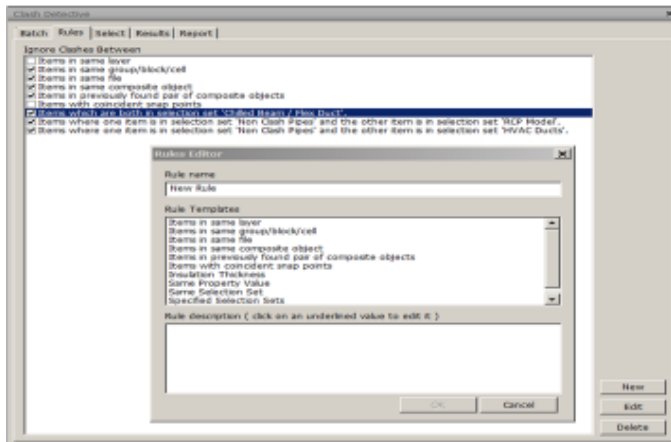
CLASH DETECTIVE (RULES TAB)

- Rules created to ignore clashes between certain elements.
 - Pipes <= 2"
 - Light Sources
 - Inherent clashes within Revit eg. Flex ducts "clashing" with the Chilled Beams...



SELECTION / SEARCH SET – RULES

1. BY USING TWO DIFFERENT SELECTION SETS AGAINST EACH OTHER.
2. BY PUTTING ELEMENTS IN THE SAME SELECTION SET – SEE EXAMPLE BELOW



SELECTION SETS VS. SEARCH SETS

IS THERE A DIFFERENCE?

SELECTION SETS

MADE BY SELECTING **GEOMETRY**** IN THE FILE AND ADDING IT TO A SET

**** ONE-TIME SELECTION OF OBJECTS**

BENEFITS

- FAST TO CREATE
- EASY TO SET UP RULES FOR

PITFALLS

- EMPTY SET ONCE YOU BRING IN NEW GEOMETRY [FROM A DIFFERENT FLOOR, WHEN DOING A SAVE-AS]

SEARCH SETS

MADE BY SELECTING A **CRITERIA** SET THAT GEOMETRY IS SEARCHED FOR AND SELECTED AUTOMATICALLY

BENEFITS

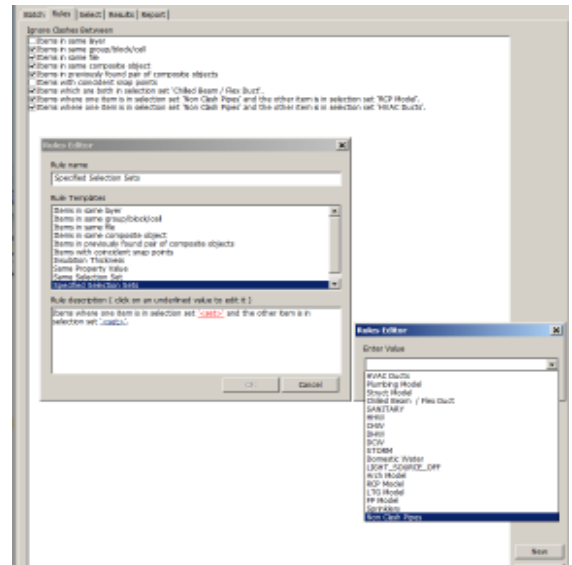
- PARAMETRIC SELECTION – CAN BE RE-USED
- CAN BE EXPORTED FOR THE NEXT FILE SET-UP USE

PITFALLS

- TAKES LONGER TO SET UP
- TAKES LONGER TO CREATE RULES

ADDING RULES

- RULES ARE CREATED USING PREDEFINED SELECTION SETS & SEARCH SETS TO POPULATE BASIC VALUES IN GIVEN RULE TEMPLATES
- SET - GROUP OF ELEMENTS FROM THE REVIT MODEL THAT CAN BE ISOLATED WITHIN NAVISWORKS
- THERE ARE DIFFERENT WAYS TO DEFINE SETS IN NAVISWORKS: BY BOTH SELECTION AND SEARCHING
- SEARCH SETS CAN BE EXPORTED TO OTHER NAVISWORKS FILES TO SAVE TIME



CLASH DETECTIVE (SELECT TAB)

MODELS OR SETS CHOSEN
ACCORDING TO THE BATCH

DEFINE:

1. WHAT'S CLASHED
2. TOLERANCE DISTANCE

CLASH BATCH TOLERANCES

WAS INSULATION MODELED?

ON DUCTS -> YES

ON PIPES -> NO

FIREPROOFING ON STL. -> NO

ADDING TOLERANCES TO A BATCH

HVAC vs. RCP	0.0	Plumbing vs. Fire	1.0
HVAC vs. Structure	1.0	Plumbing vs. Lights	1.0
Sanitary vs. Fire	0.0	Plumbing vs. Power	1.0
Sanitary vs. Lights	0.0	Plumbing vs. RCP	1.0
Sanitary vs. Power	0.0	Plumbing vs. Structure	2.0
Sanitary vs. RCP	0.0	Power/Light vs. Structure	1.0
Sanitary vs. Structure	1.0	Hot Hydro vs. Fire	2.0
Arch vs. Hydro	0.0	Hot Hydro vs. HVAC	2.0
Arch vs. Fire	0.0	Hot Hydro vs. Lights	2.0
Arch vs. HVAC	0.0	Hot Hydro vs. Sanitary	2.0
Arch vs. Lights	0.0	Hot Hydro vs. Plumbing	3.0
Arch vs. Plumbing	0.0	Hot Hydro vs. Power	2.0
Arch vs. Power	0.0	Hot Hydro vs. RCP	2.0
Fire vs. Lights	0.0	Hot Hydro vs. Structure	3.0
Fire vs. Power	0.0	Cold Hydro vs. Fire	1.0
Fire vs. RCP	0.0	Cold Hydro vs. HVAC	1.0
Fire vs. Structure	1.0	Cold Hydro vs. Lights	1.0
HVAC vs. Fire	0.0	Cold Hydro vs. Plumbing	2.0
HVAC vs. Lights	0.0	Cold Hydro vs. Sanitary	1.0
HVAC vs. Sanitary	0.0	Cold Hydro vs. Power	1.0
HVAC vs. Plumbing	1.0	Cold Hydro vs. RCP	1.0
HVAC vs. Power	0.0	Cold Hydro vs. Structure	2.0

- INPUT A SPECIFIC TOLERANCE TO THE CLASH BEING RUN
- THIS TOLERANCE WORKS ALONGSIDE THE VARIOUS RULES TO REFINE AND PRODUCE ACCURATE AND REALISTIC RESULTS

CLASH DETECTIVE (RESULTS TAB)

ALL CLASHES PER BATCH SHOWN:

1. DISTANCE
2. STATUS OF CLASH

SETTINGS CONTROL AUTO-ZOOM / DIMMING, ETC. OF EACH CLASH

RESULTS – ORGANIZATION

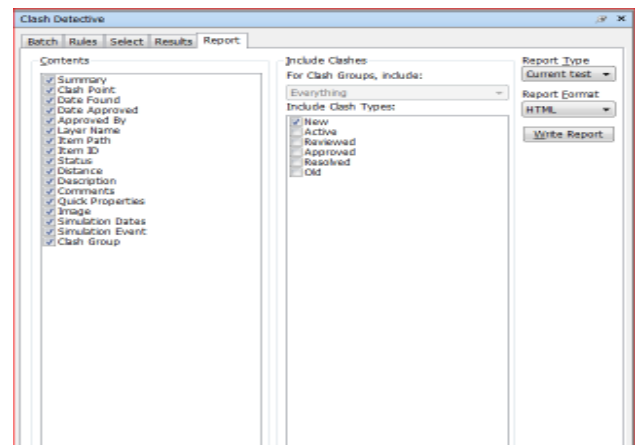
RESULTS CAN BE GROUPED

POSSIBLE GROUPING:

- CLASH STATUS
- PER SYSTEM / SERVICE
- TYPE OF EQUIPMENT
- CLUSTERS CONTAINING SEVERAL CLASHING ELEMENTS

REPORT GENERATION

- CUSTOMIZABLE REPORTS TO DISPLAY ONLY THE PROPERTIES YOU WANT
- CAN BE EXPORTED AS HTML, XML, PDF – CAN BE VIEWED BY DESIGN TEAM, OWNER, ETC...



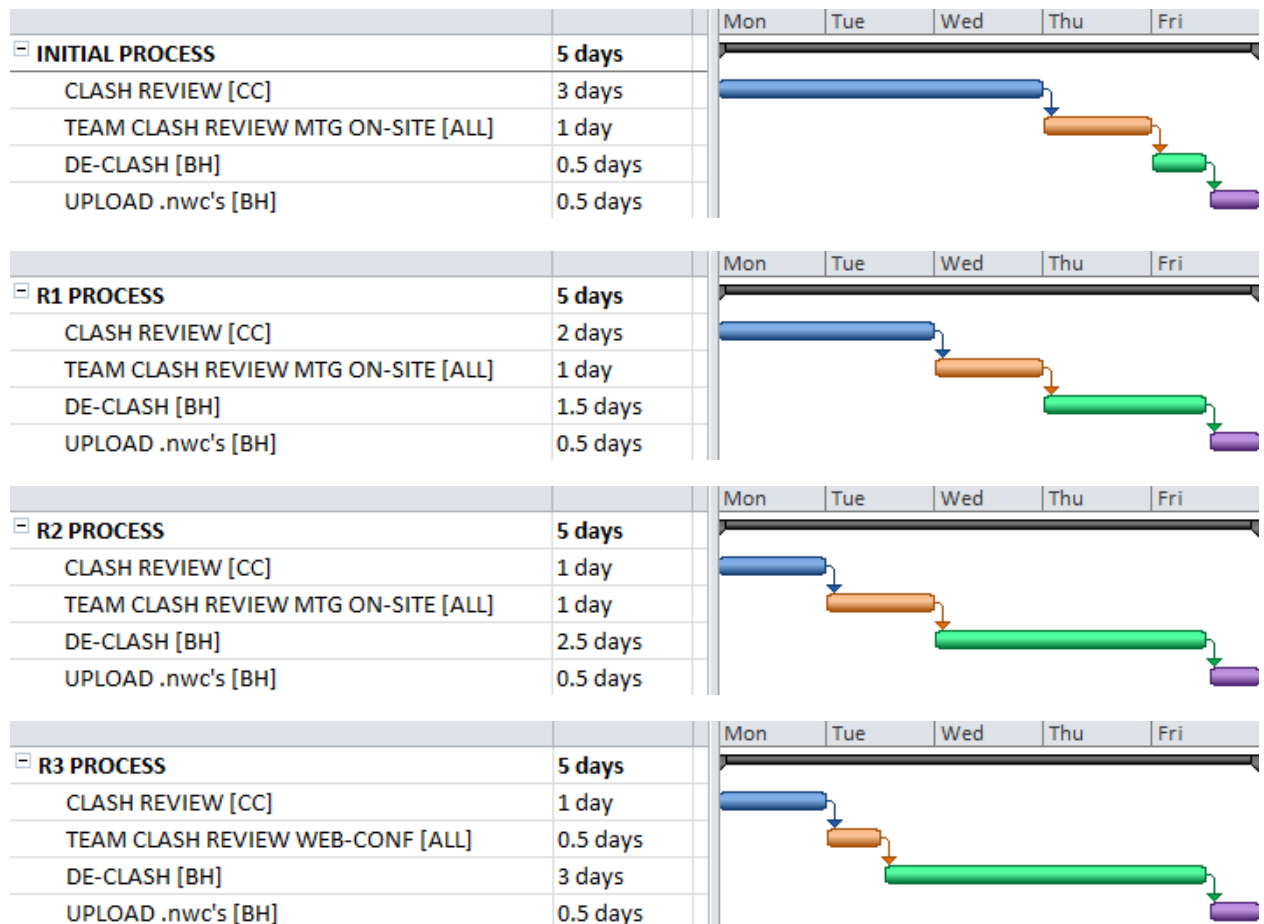
CLASH TRACKING

IN THIS CASE, EXCEL SPREADSHEET

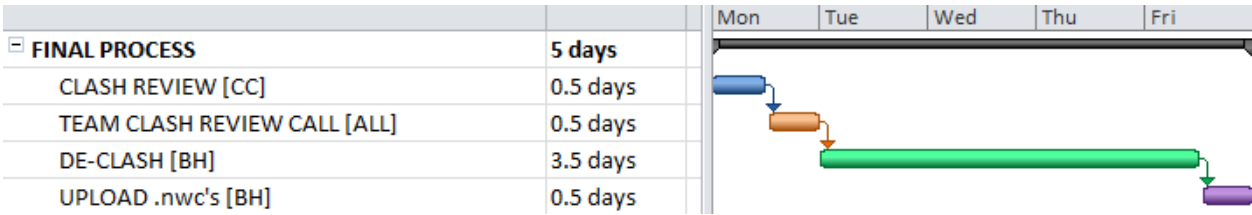
BEST PRACTICE: THIS CAN BE DONE IN MANY WAYS. BUT THERE SHOULD BE 1 CENTRAL RECORD OF WHAT IS GETTING RESOLVED

Level	Clash Set	Rev	C	Is Deleted	Notes	Due	STATUS	Notes
Level 1	Arch-vrHAC	2	2*	Yes	*1- Clash C- BH / CC	17		
	HMAC-vrgpts	3		Yes		17		
	Arch-vrgpts to Hvac-vrgpts	2*		Yes		17		
	HMAC-vrgpts	1		Yes	Clashroom Error North	CA		
	HMAC-vrgpts	2*	1	Yes	*This clash needs to resolve / clash 16	17		
	Arch-vrgpts	3		Yes		17		
Level 2	Arch-vrgpts	2*	1	Yes		17		
	HMAC-vrgpts	3		Yes		17		
	Arch-vrgpts	2*	1	Yes		17		
	HMAC-vrgpts	3		Yes		17		
	Arch-vrgpts	2*	1	Yes		17		
	HMAC-vrgpts	3		Yes		17		
Level 3	Arch-vrgpts	2*	1	Yes		17		
	HMAC-vrgpts	3		Yes		17		
	Arch-vrgpts	2*	1	Yes		17		
	HMAC-vrgpts	3		Yes		17		
	Arch-vrgpts	2*	1	Yes		17		
	HMAC-vrgpts	3		Yes		17		

EVOLVING WEEKLY COLLABORATION



= 3.5 DE-CLASHING WORKING DAYS / WEEK



EST. TIME REQ'D TO GET TO “ZERO”

3 MONTHS * 4 WEEKS/ MONTH = 12 WEEKS

6 FLOORS = 2 WEEKS / FLOOR**

*** EA. FLOOR = APPRX. 50,000 SF OF HEAVY ACADEMIC PROGRAM*

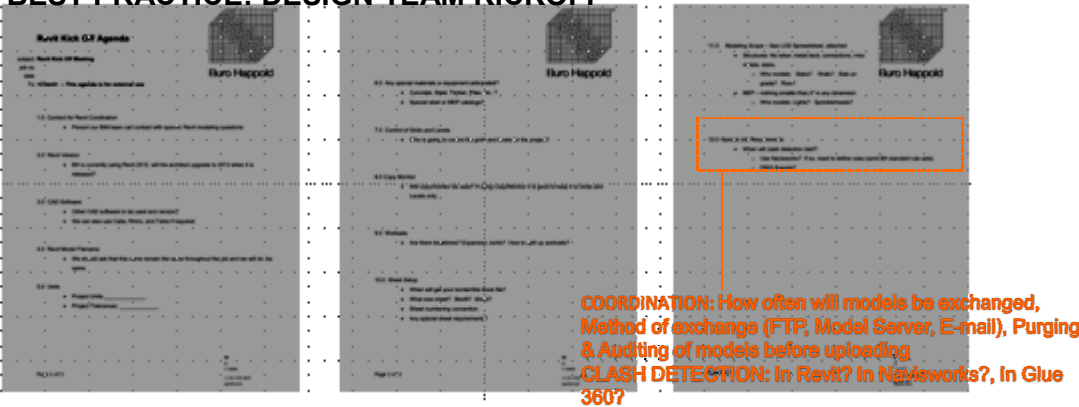
3.5 DE-CLASH DAYS PER WORK WEEK = 7.0 DE-CLASH DAYS / FLOOR

2 STAFF RESOURCED FULL TIME

10 DAYS OF DE-CLASHING WORK / FLOOR

CONCLUSIONS

BEST PRACTICE: DESIGN TEAM KICKOFF

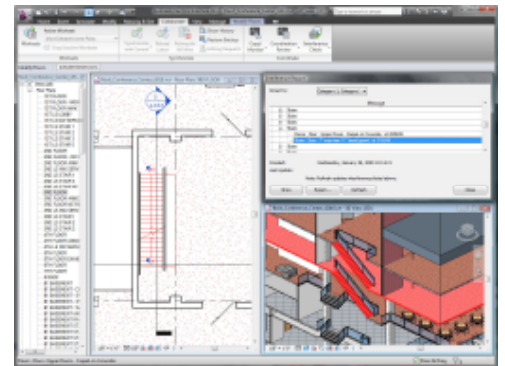


BIM PROCESS / PREP: LOD MATRIX

BIM IDEAL: DESIGN & COORDINATION

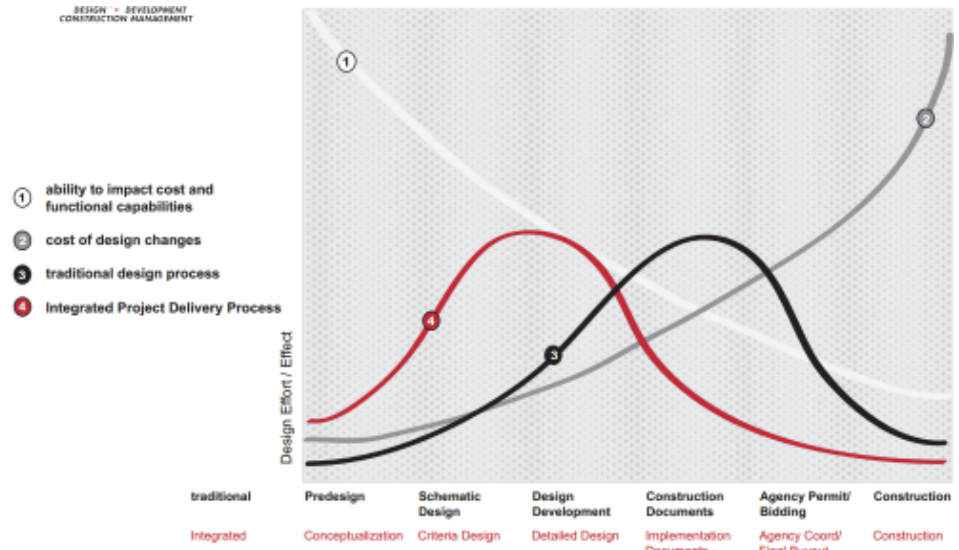
(LEARNING OBJECTIVE 1)

1. ALL BH TEAM MEMBERS USE REVIT COORDINATION VIEWS WHILE DESIGNING
2. TEAM RUNS PERIODIC CLASH TESTING
3. CLASH FIXING ASSIGNED
4. RESOLUTION WITHIN NEXT MODEL EXCHANGE BY REQ'D PARTIES



CLASH DETECTION / PROJ. SCHEDULE

- WHEN TO CLASH?
 - *TOO EARLY* ...?
 - *TOO LATE* ...?
- ALL TRADES READY TO CLASH?



... "ZERO"

