



BIM: Digitizing Design and Construction

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Building Information Modeling or "BIM" is the next phase of digital technology in building design, construction, and maintenance. BIM allows a user to simulate the construction of a building and then turn the building "on" before a single scoop of dirt is ever turned. Issues ranging from construction site lay out, scheduling of trades, delivery of materials, operation of the structure's various systems (e.g., electrical, sewer, HVAC), building code compliance, to a "3-D" walk through of the structure can be simulated well in advance of construction.

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