### Registering Space Requirements of Construction Operations Using Site-PECASO (Part of VIRCON Project)

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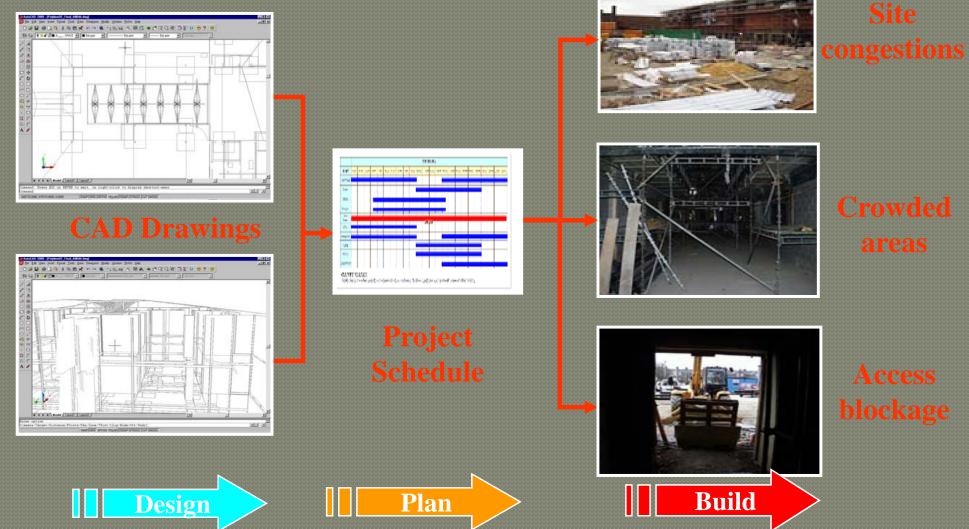
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# **Presentation Outline**

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- Site-PECASO Simulation (on going)
- Conclusion and Future Development

# **Motivation and Background**

1) On site construction operations shape complex spaces, especially in large projects



2) On-site Productivity Field Study:

Purpose:

To observe on site work activities.

To analyse the effect of work activities progress on space availability

To measure productivity and performance by activity sampling using CALIBRE tool.

To understand space-time conflicts issues



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Findings:

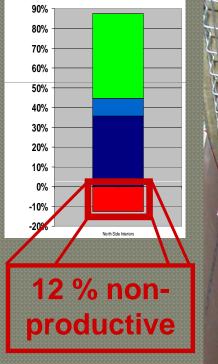
The study indicated 30% on average nonproductive result.

Loss of productivity arises from the interruptions or sequencing problems.

Space congestion occurs due to insufficient information about space in a project schedule.

### **Productivity Analysis (example 1):**

### A/C duct space obstructing partitioning job





### **Productivity Analysis (example 2):**

#### Poor site utilisation causes work interruptions



**3)** Review of previous and current state-of-art research in project planning.

4) Influence of Information Technology:

Recent 40 (30) time technology providing the user with additional project schedule visualisations.

Advancements in communication tools among a project team that simulate progress of construction project.

# **Research Problem**

Current project scheduling tools lack analysis of site usage when planning construction operations.

Some 4D CAD system asses construct-ability, buildability of design projects, and do not include Work space.

Different approaches among professional on how to include activity workspace as in the product model.

work activities might share the same area at the same time and that produces insufficient free space.

**Space conflicts** do happen on construction sites!

### **Proposed Research**

Identify and model work space types.

 Invest time in modeling control on activities to include space-related information.

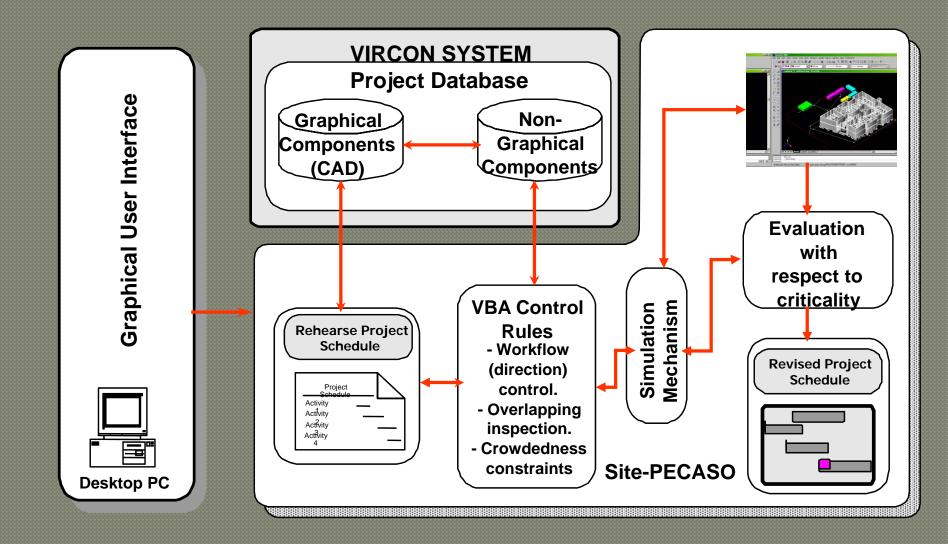
 Rehearsing different order might highlights space-time conflicts.

 Produce a model of project activities compatible with project WBS

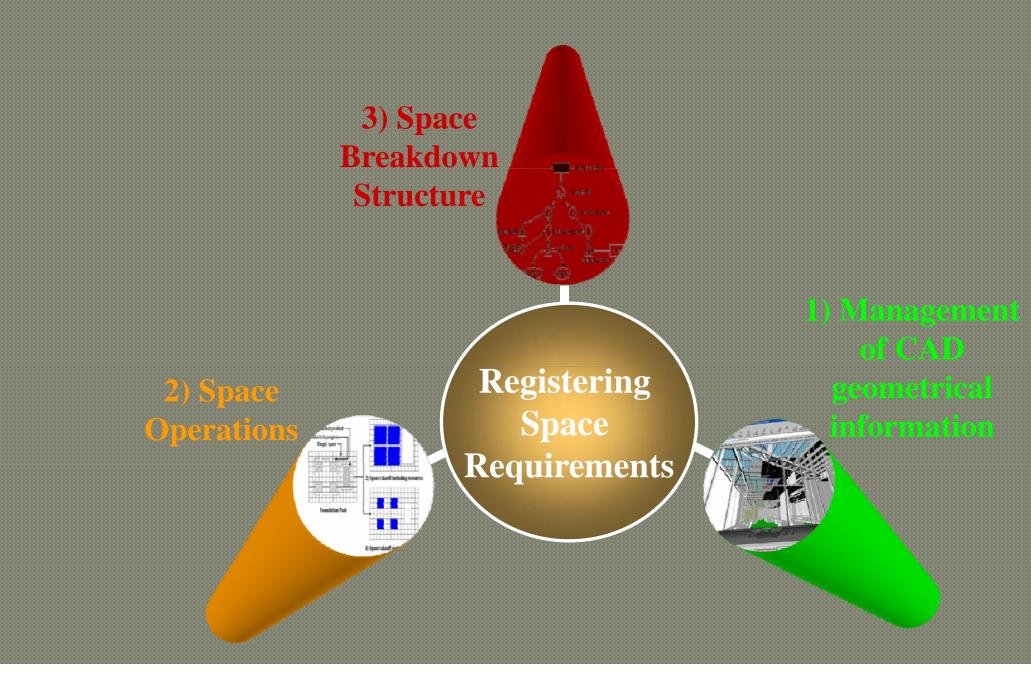
Reduce space-time conflicts between activities.

 Advise on a to modelling design projects on CAD and evaluate the system.

# **Site-PECASO Model Architecture**



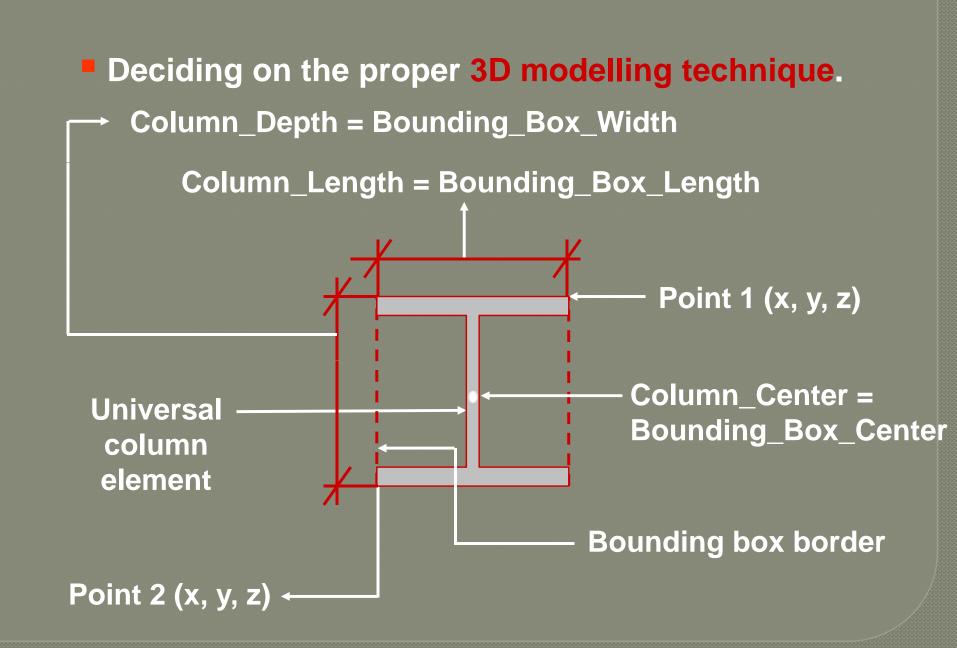
# **Registering Space Requirements (***development***)**



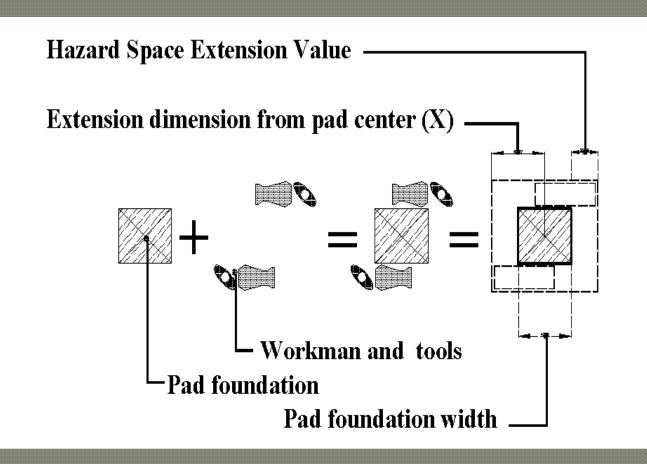
#### 1) Management of CAD geometrical information

Extraction of geometrical information from the CAD model components (location, co-ordinates, dimensions, reference of entities, volumes, areas, etc...) to the database.

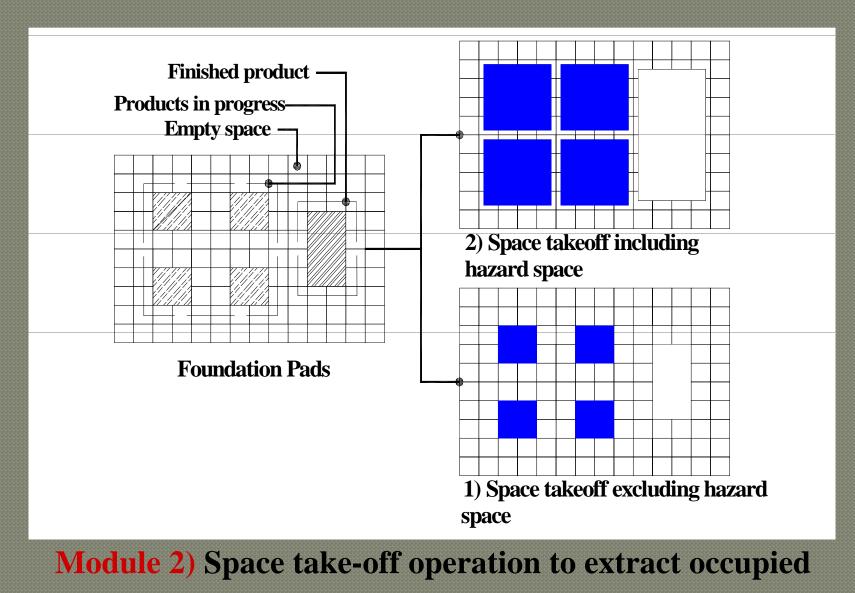
Structuring of CAD layers according to standard conventions of British Standards 1192-5 with implementation of Uniclass product/process code.



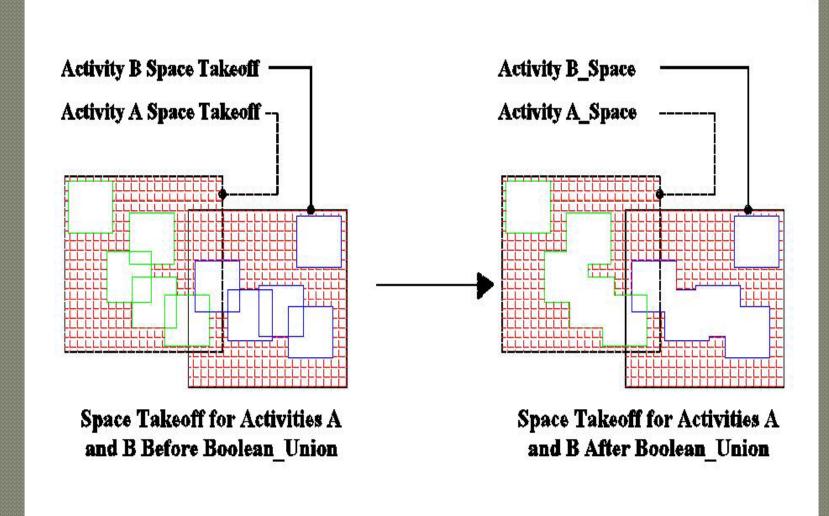
#### 2) Space Operations (VBA routines):



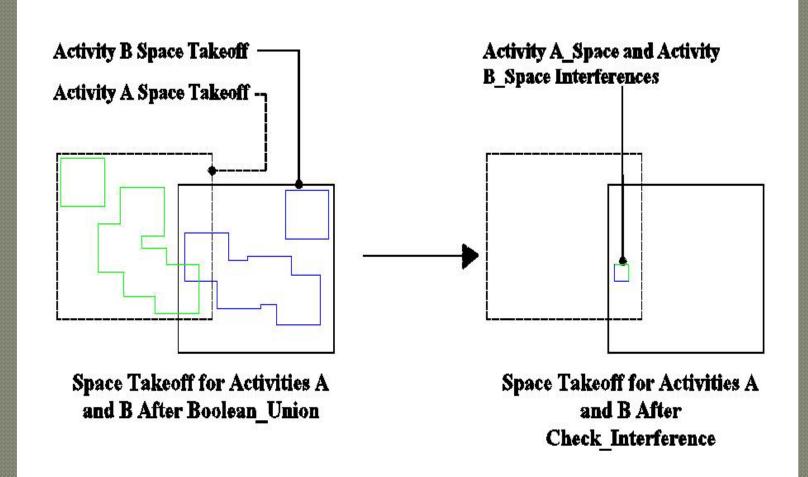
**Module 1)** Approximation Envelope (AE) including the hazard space



spaces



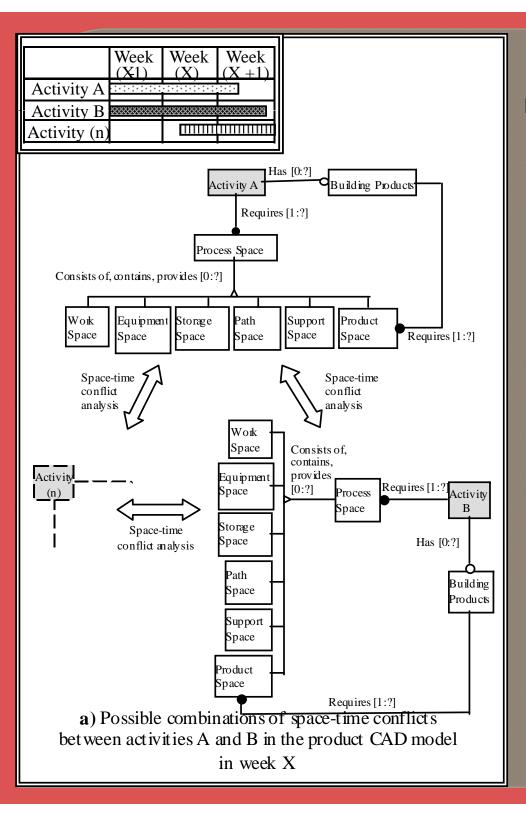
**Module 3)** Boolean\_Union space operation



**Module 4)** Check\_Interference space operation

3) Space Breakdown Structure

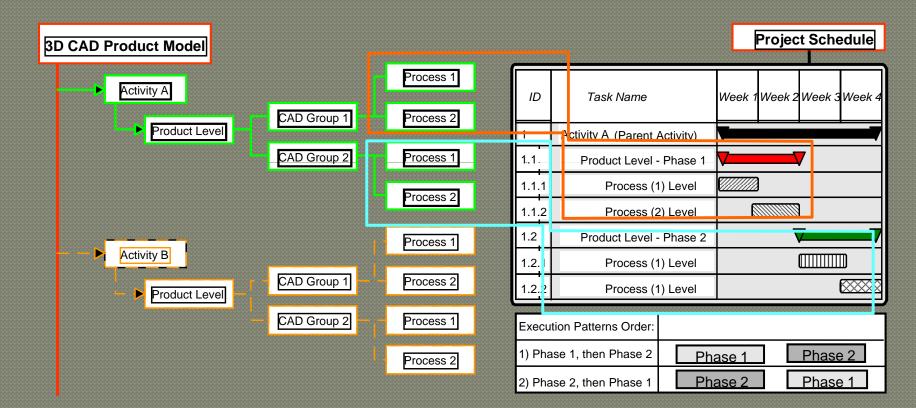
Implements a hierarchical arrangements of 3D CAD components and layers in a way compatible with WBS.



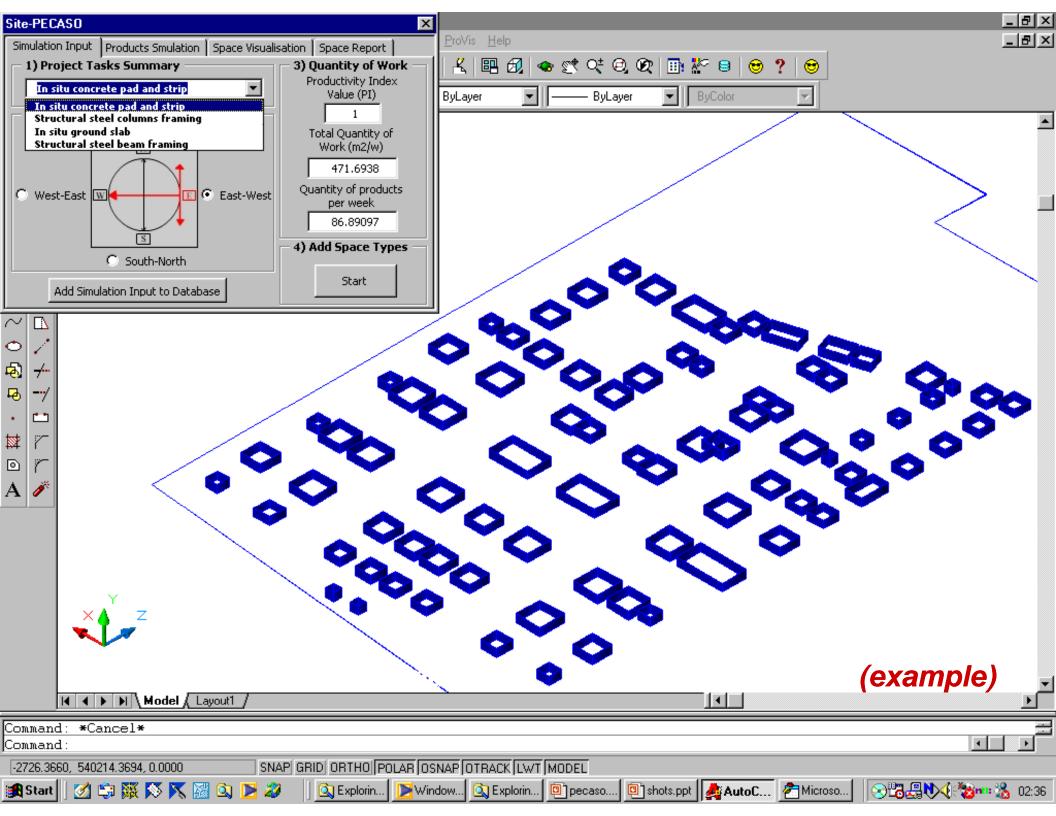
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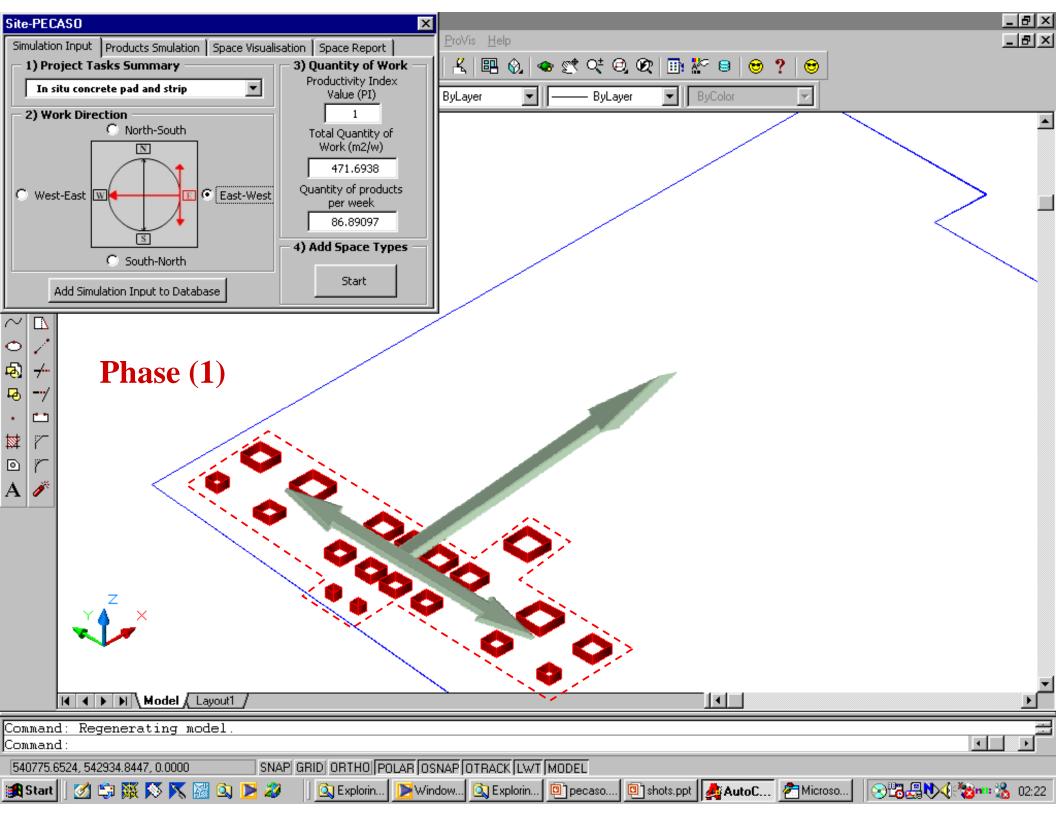
#### Space\_Types Hierarchy and Space Conflict Taxonomy

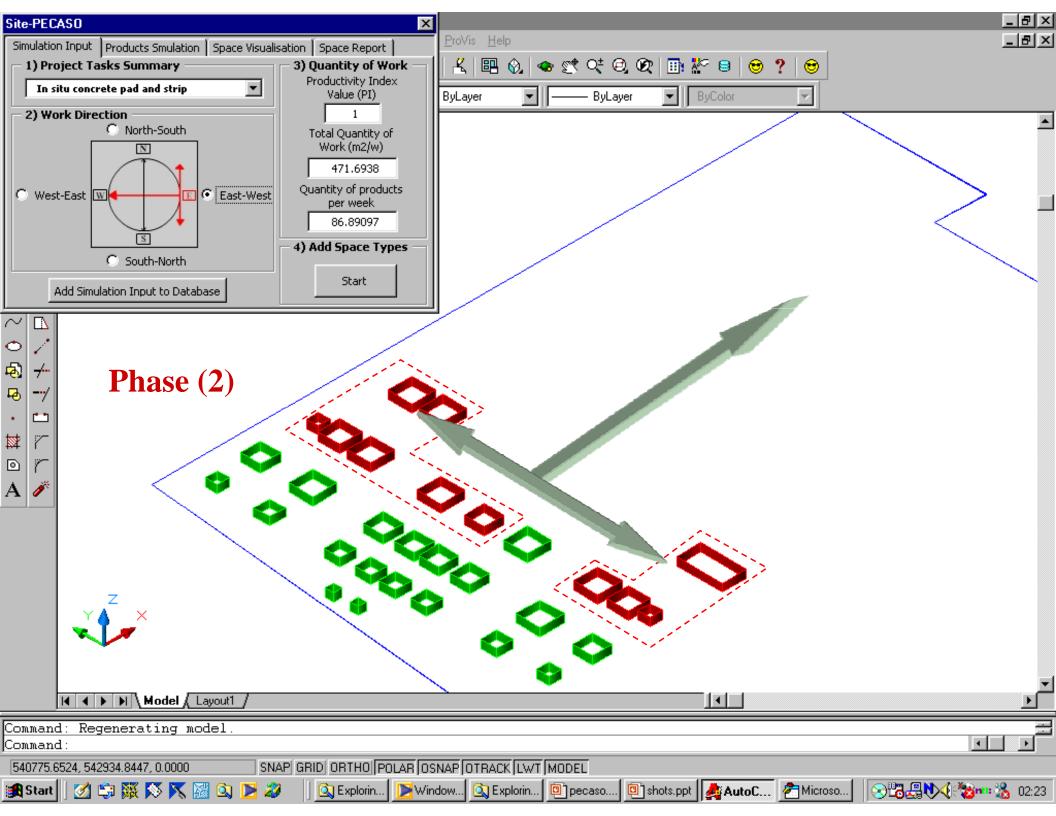
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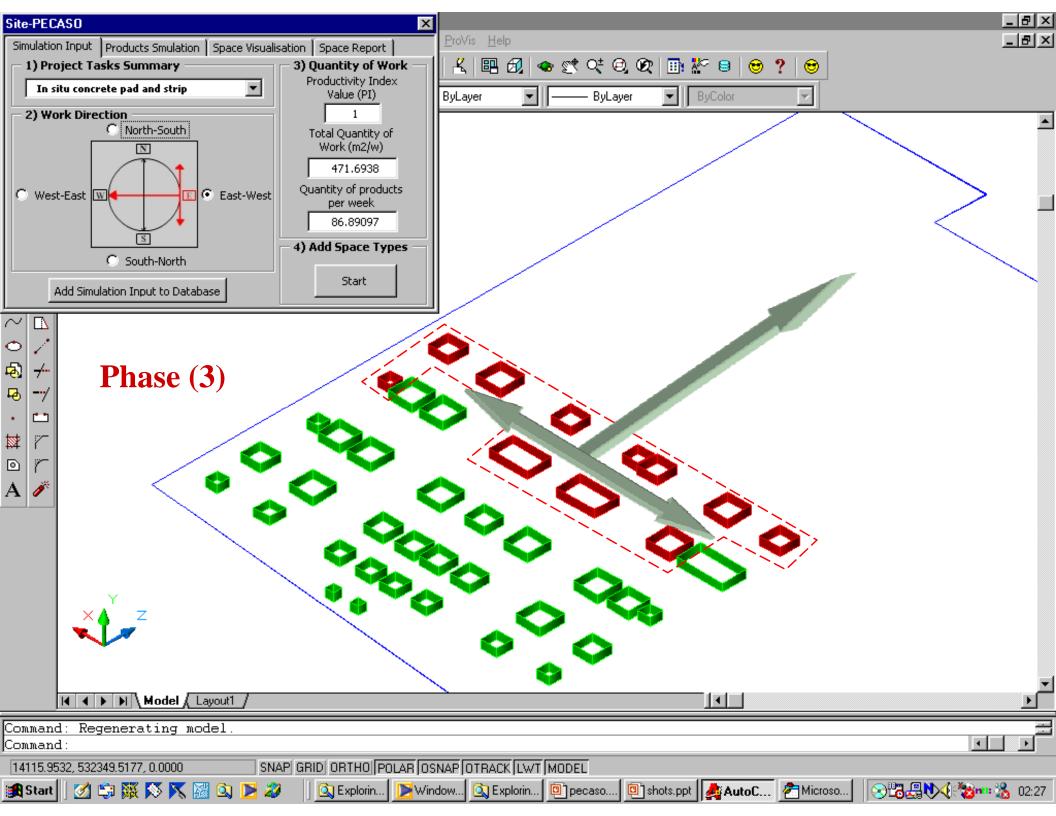


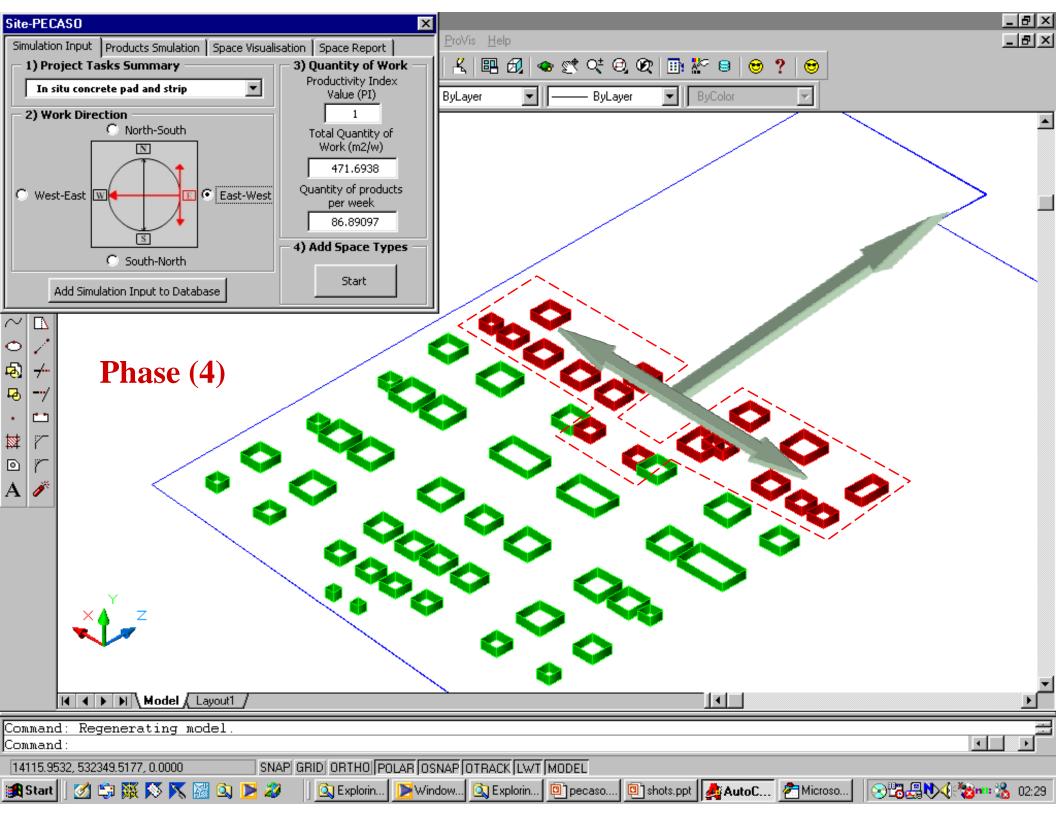
### **Example One (Execution Pattern Run)**

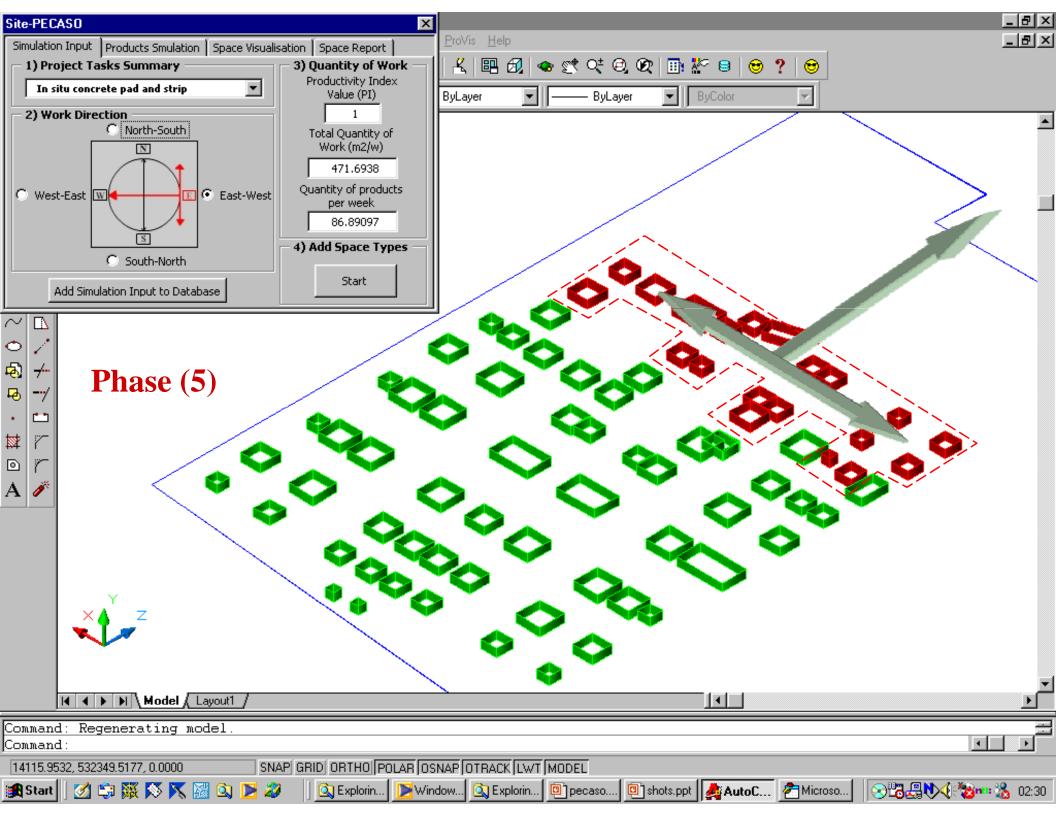


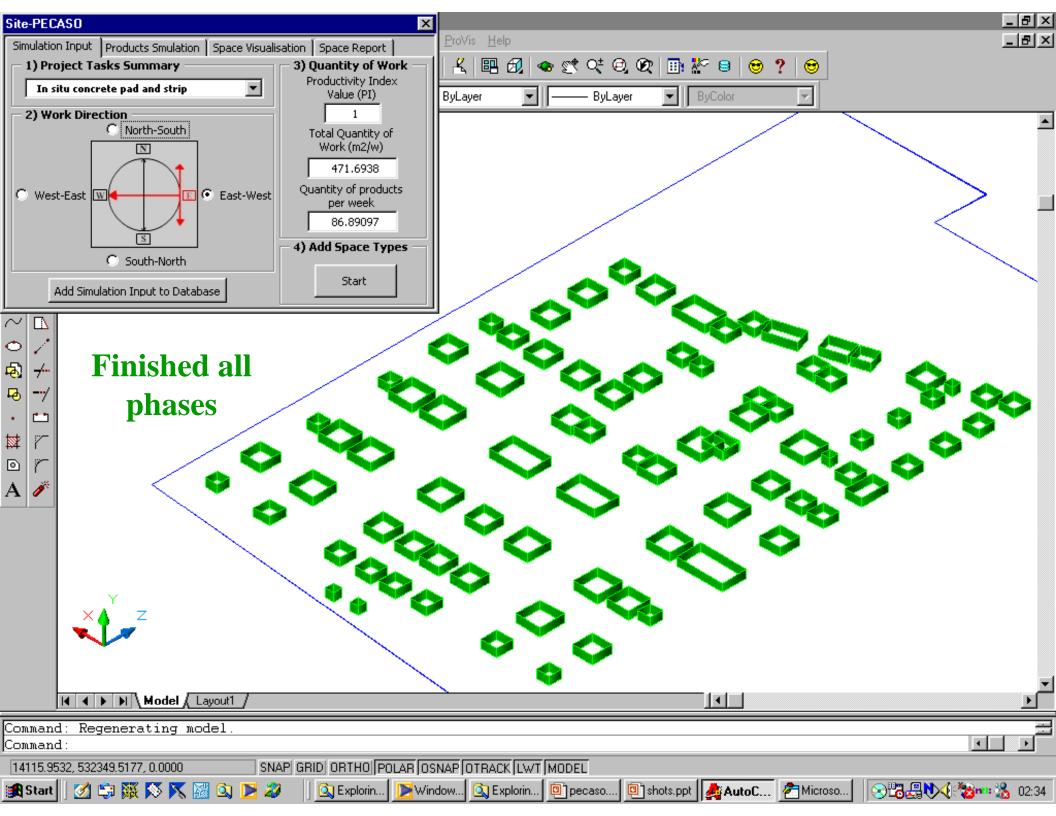




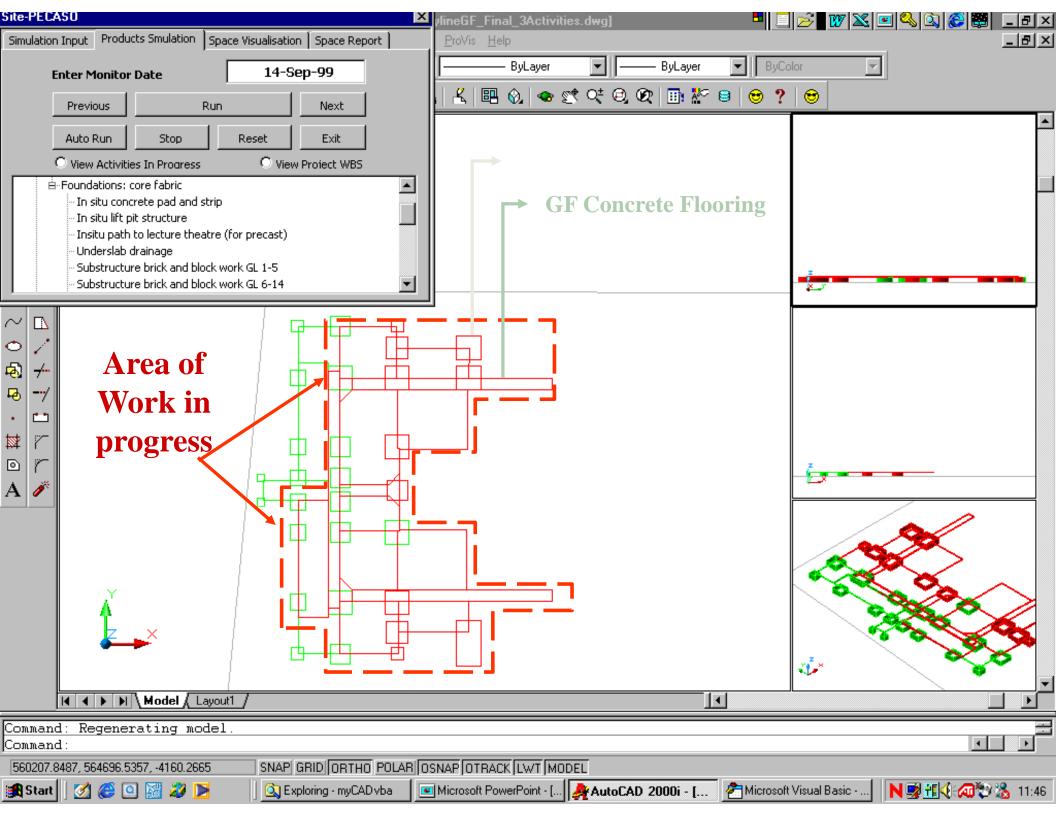


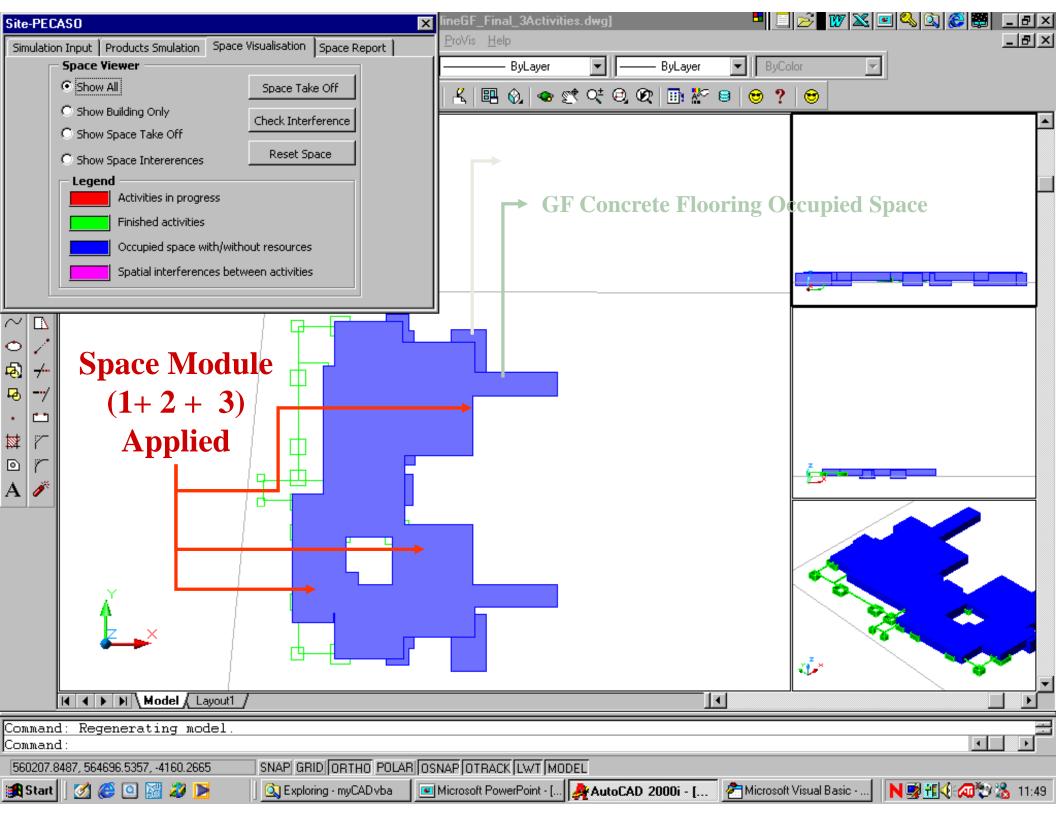


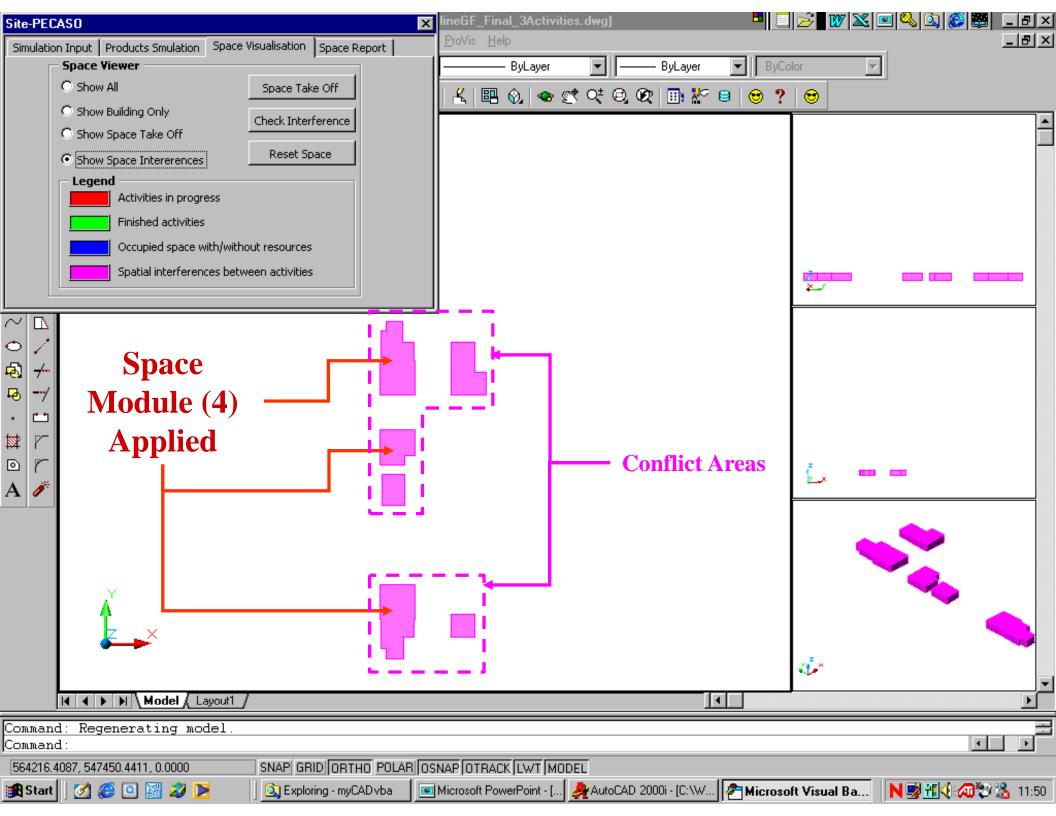




### **Example Two (Space Conflicts Run)**







### **Conclusion and Future Development**

Simplifying 4D CAD modelling techniques due to some complexity of the spatial properties in construction operations.

Space-time conflicts can be highlighted in early stages before construction commences on site.

CAD product-based models can be utilised in Site-PECASO to simulate construction execution patterns.

Promising future for using 4D CAD project scheduling tools and visualisations.

