Construction Performance and Productivity Improvement

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Your first paper can be your best paper..





Recap – Titans in CEM Research

- Robert Peurifoy: Founder of the first CM education program (at Texas A&M)
- Daniel Halpin (Purdue): Construction Simulation (Cyclone)
- US Army Corps of Engineers Construction Engineering Research Laboratory (CERL)
- Clarkson Oglesby (Stanford): Using industrial engineering techniques
- Marvin Gates and Robert Carr: Bidding theory
- Jimmie Hinze: Construction Safety
- Howell, Tommelein, and Ballad: Lean Construction
- Raymond Levitt: Organization



Recap – Titans in CEM Research

- Center for Integrated Facility Engineering (CIFE, Stanford)
 - Martin Fisher, 4D CAD
- Pena-Mora: My advisor
- Julio Martinez and Kamat: Simulation, Halpin's students
- Hendrickson and Horvath: EIO-LCA

Formalizing construction Knowledge

Overview of the paper

- Introducing CIFE's research efforts and 'horseshoe' research method
- CIFE Center for Integrated Facility Engineering at Stanford University
- Focus on Virtual Design and Construction (VDC)



Distinction of Research efforts in Construction

- Exploring new terrain (knowledge) in two ways
 - In practice, through careful participation or observation.
 - In the lab, through rapid prototyping and using test cases.
- Piloting the use of a new method on a real project
 - Learning the value of the new method.
 - Identifying the necessary improvements and addressing them.
- Taking proven methods to widespread use and develop guidelines for implementation



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Observed Problem in Practice

- Only well-defined problem definition may lead to a DEFENSIBLE contribution to knowledge
 - Too vague and too broad problem definition: the criteria for success are not clear
- >Best starting point : a specific observation of a problem in practice
 - In construction, the ultimate 'proof' of research value is in its application in practice.



Problem definition

>A good and bad example of a problem statement

- "4D modeling is too time-consuming"
- "The construction scheduler cannot generate the 4D model to plan the construction of the lagoon in Disney project fast enough (<1 to 2 hours) to support project teams with the insights about the workflow to build the lagoon and the lagoon and the lagoon work's interrelationships with work around the lagoon"



Theoretical Limitations

Looking for the theoretical starting point.

- To complement the researcher's observations of practice and find further evidence for the existence
- To identify existing theory that is useful in addressing the problem (Intuition)
- To identify existing theory that is useful in addressing the problem but needs extensions to make it truly useful to help practitioners address the problem



Research Questions

➤A key criterion for a good research question

- Whether it is testable or not.
 - ✓ Generality and power of the answers & Metrics to quantify

➤Cannot be answered with a 'yes' or 'no'.

- The answers should create the foundation for new research
- Formulated in way that makes any finding to the question an interesting answer.
 - If not, the research might be biased toward a specific outcome



Research Tasks (Method and Plan)

- May include further literature study, interviews, surveys, case studies, observations of practice, participation in ongoing construction projects, ontology development, implementation of software prototypes
- Determining the number of test cases => the generality of the research result.
- Testing of the research results is typically the most critical research task



Research Tasks (Method and Plan)

Common test methods

- Variation studies on retrospective cases. : using past cases
- Asking an expert panel
- Charrette tests
- Prospective or intervention case studies









Other Element of Research process

➢Discussion:

• a brief section embed the particular research effort in the larger picture of theory and practice surrounding the research topic

➤ 'Maximum anxiety principle':

• In all phases, the researcher should advance the thinking on all steps as far as possible and tackle the task that has the greatest uncertainty.





"The construction scheduler cannot genera te the 4D model to plan the construction fa st enough (<1 to 2 hours) to support projec t teams with the insights about the workflo w and the interrelationships with work arou nd a project





Discrete event simulation methods combined with geometric transformation mechanisms that could automatically generate the appropriate level of detail in the 3D model to match the desired level of detail in the schedule combined with a formalization of scheduling knowledge might yield a novel approach to 4D modeling that would solve the identified problem."



- 1. Find case studies that identified the same problem
- 2. Investigate the theory on discrete event simulation to see its usefulness to address the problem
- 3. geometric transformation algorithms from computer graphics that needed to be modified and tested for this problem



-) What is a geometry-based process modeling and simulation technique that is appropriate for construction planning and visualization?
 - 1) What are the basic construction process elements to leverage geometric models?
 - 2) How can the construction process be decomposed into subsystems to consider project parameters and interactions? What are appropriate input parameters and internal structure for each subsystem?
 - 3) How can this model be simulated and analyzed using discrete-event-simulation
- 2) What geometric techniques are needed to describe and analyze such a system?

(Akabas 2003)

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- 1. Retrospective test cases using the construction of parts other than the lagoon of Disney's California Adventure
 - Expert Review: assessing whether the resulting schedule was realistic and considered the important constraints.
- 4. Comparison of the time (Charrette test): new approach vs traditional approach





- 1. The formalization of a geometric construction process modeling method
- Providing a basis to study additional construction scheduling topics, such as studying the tradeoff between schedule uncertainty and flexibility and the planning of temporary structures.



This research allows construction engineers to base their work and their analyses on the same 3D models and project schedule information as other disciplines. They can, in this way, participate more effectively in the concurrent, performance-based design of facilities.



Research challenge in construction:

 lab experiments can rarely replicate the situations found in practice. It is difficult to isolate a particular factor and study its effect.

➤To address this challenge, researchers need to triangulate results from field observations with theory in related literature with predictions and insights from experts and with descriptions, explanations, or predictions from models developed from the observations, theory, and expert opinions.



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Research Question, Hypothesis, Objective, Goal

Research Process





Example – Equipment Idling Monitoring



Assignment

- Please formulate your research question, hypothesis, objective and long-tem goal!
 - Present yours and discuss with peers at the next class

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