Express 4d Simulation Scheduling and Construction Management with Dynamo

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Introduction to 4d Simulation
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4d Simulation it’s the process of linking time schedule with construction elements, so that it can easily give us an idea of how construction would be performed, tracked and reported.
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4d Simulation Samples
Revit Introduction

MODELING SOFTWARE

Allow us to create construction elements with parameters.
Model elements follow construction processes
Shared Parameters allow us to set custom values.
Navisworks Introduction

BIM PLATFORM SOFTWARE

Allow us to create interactions between several models and data types.

Reads all exported model properties so that values can be filtered out.

Creates 4d Simulation by the use of Parameters and Tasks
Basic Simulation Workflow

https://youtu.be/CAfxvtyf4gQ
Parameters Simulation

https://youtu.be/jrJUiVzytjl
Simulation on Navisworks  
https://youtu.be/9cVG7TJokXE
Learn how to create in minutes a 4d Simulation from model information workflows.
Create 4d Simulation in Minutes

So far, all elements covered would create a functional 4d Simulation, but thinking on all the information that its already on the model and the possibilities to cross it, it should be a better way that improves time of creation and linking with model elements
Dynamo as a Game Changer.

Playground Application used for:

- Improve Complex Modeling
- Automate Repetitive Tasks
- Set Model Management
- Transform Model Information
- Create interoperability between different files.

Three Types of Audiences

- Raw Users – That would pull all nodes form scratch and link with normal coding
- Medium Users - That would use workflow scripts and custom nodes to complete their requirements
- Low Users – That would just use the Dynamo Player, as their working tool.
Dynamo Configuration

For this project it would be used dynamo with the following packages:

Rhythm
DataShapes
Practical BIM
Using Dynamo for Writing the SIMULATION Parameter.

https://youtu.be/9gjykckxZMs
Creating a Time Schedule by Model Properties.
https://youtu.be/wPPgU66jBNU
Linking the Result on Navisworks.  

https://youtu.be/uPdKoqP-vJs
Create time scheduling from the Model Data as a Microsoft Project output.
Creating a CSV Structure for MS Project

https://youtu.be/dt7AF1msvN8
Setting Time Constraints

https://youtu.be/0Aet2lbVJwM
Configuring MS Project Output

https://youtu.be/1w59O4i5mWM
Integrate Dynamo Player Routines as model quality Checkup for Construction Management.
Single Dynamo Player Routines

As we have seen so far Dynamo Uses Extend widely because you can program once and use it for multiple purposes.

So Next section will use Dynamo Player for creating quality check up routines.
Coloring by Parameter or Value

https://youtu.be/fN4WGogSWRE
Splitting Floor Elements on the Model

https://youtu.be/MXILYXu2qIU
Renaming Levels by Elevation

https://youtu.be/aKsLWRveWIk
Use Time Information on Revit for Comparatives and Analysis.
Inserting Time Information into the Model https://youtu.be/Ttkqy4TdHfo
Comparing time from elements.

https://youtu.be/wo0O2zAm0ow