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## A New Method for Integrating 3D Spatial Information of Vertically Stratified Ownership Properties into the Property Map Base

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## 3D Property Ownership Map Base Project for Smart Urban Land Administration

Australian Research Council Linkage Project  
2017-2019 (LP160100292)



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**This project aims** to develop solutions for accommodating 3D data derived from regulatory urban subdivision processes into the current 2D property map base.



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# Journey - Major Projects

National  
Infrastructure for  
Land Information  
2010-2013



Land and Property  
Information in 3D  
2012-2016



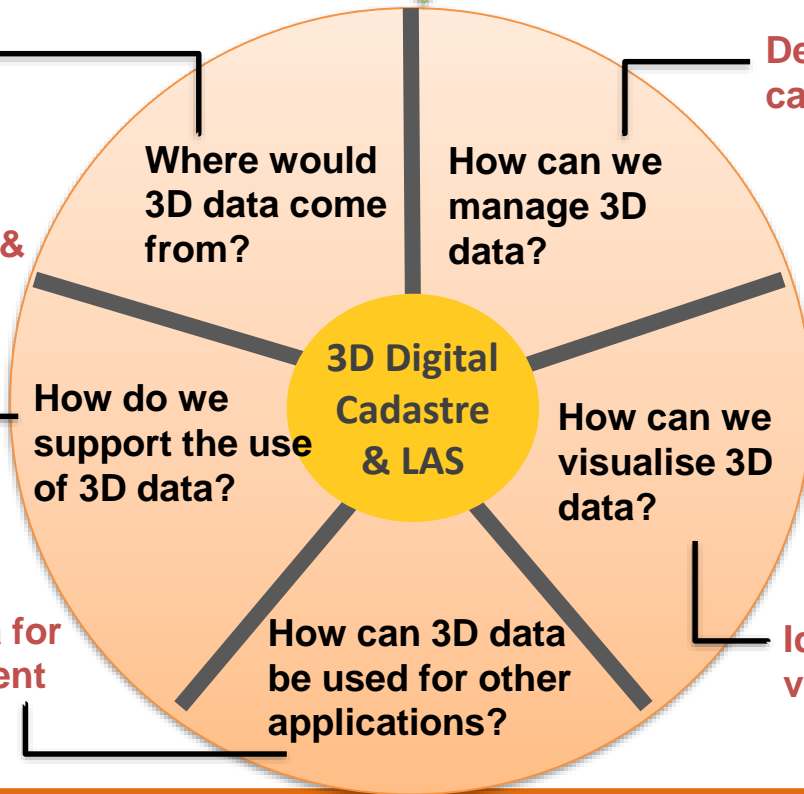
3D Property Map  
Base for Smart Urban  
Land Administration  
2017-2020



Identification of data  
sourcing methods

Identification of key  
institutional challenges &  
proposing a roadmap

Using 3D cadastral data for  
flood damage assessment



Development of two 3D  
cadastral data models

Identification of more than 60  
visualisation requirements



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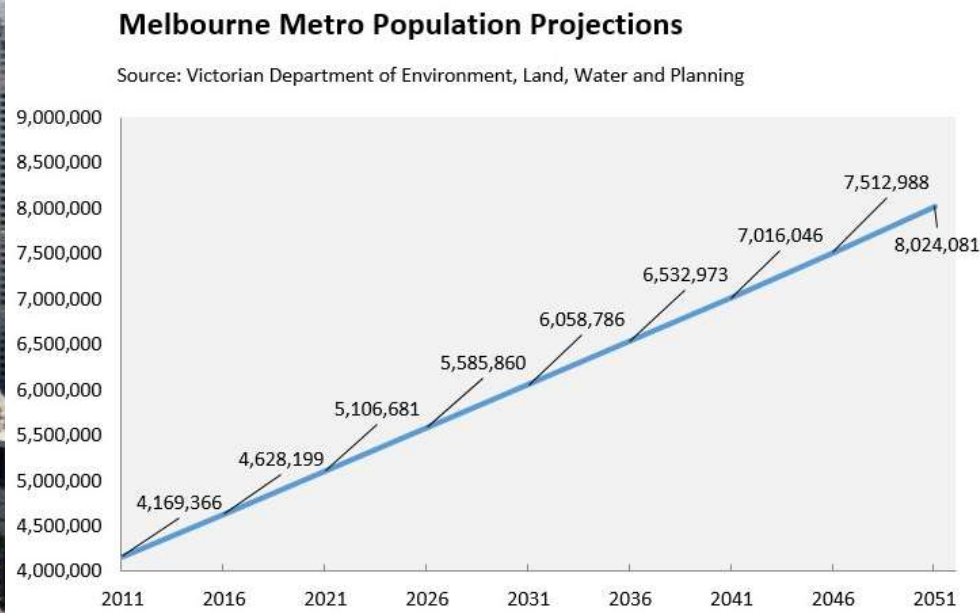


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# Urbanisation and Complex Developments

Urban environments are growing in the vertical dimension as result of urbanisation

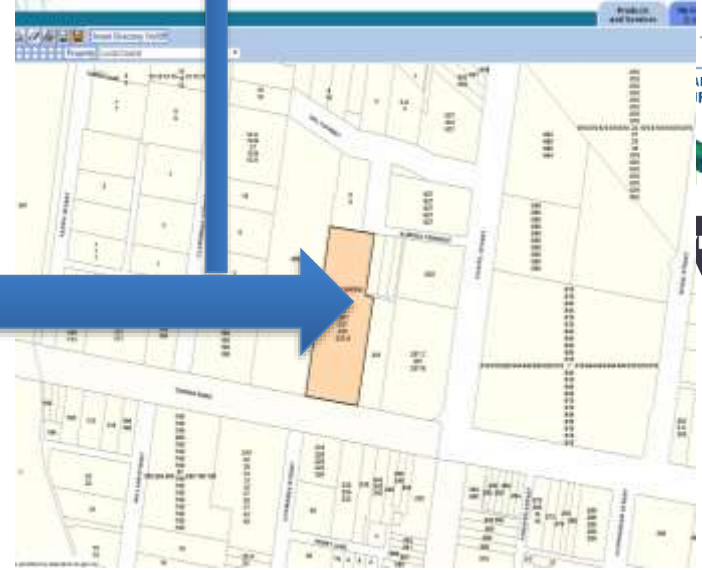


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# Current Property Map Base are 2D

- The spatial dimensions of properties located **above and below the ground** are not represented in property map bases of most jurisdictions around the world.
- Current approach relying on **2D subdivision plans** provides a **fragmented representation** of spatial arrangements of vertically located properties.



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# Consequences of 2D Approach

- **Extra surveying activities** in complex ownership situations.
- **Costs associated with duplication** of 3D spatial information.
- It **affects the reputation of authorities** responsible for maintaining the property map base and providing critical spatial information services to the community.
- **Unpredictable damages** can be done to other assets, particularly those assets located below the ground.
- **Ineffective support for spatially enable decision making** in managing and planning other aspects of urban settings (e.g. launching National Broadband Network for multi-level developments)



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# Property Map Base

- **Property map bases represent the most complete, authoritative graphical representation of land parcel and property boundaries** (cadastral information).
- **Property map bases** are core business for land registries, national mapping agencies and local governments.
- **Property map bases** are **an enabling infrastructure and a source of intelligence** to support land and property decision-making across government, businesses and communities.



# Challenges in Developing a 3D Property Map Base

- **Spatial Integrity Challenges**

- A single 3D property object is defined by a valid volume.
- **Spatial validity** of legal interests associated with a set of 3D property objects (e.g. Common properties) or the whole 3D property map base.

- **Challenges in 3D Boundary Query and Analysis**

- An appropriate spatial query language to identify the spatial relationships between 3D property boundaries and their corresponding physical elements.



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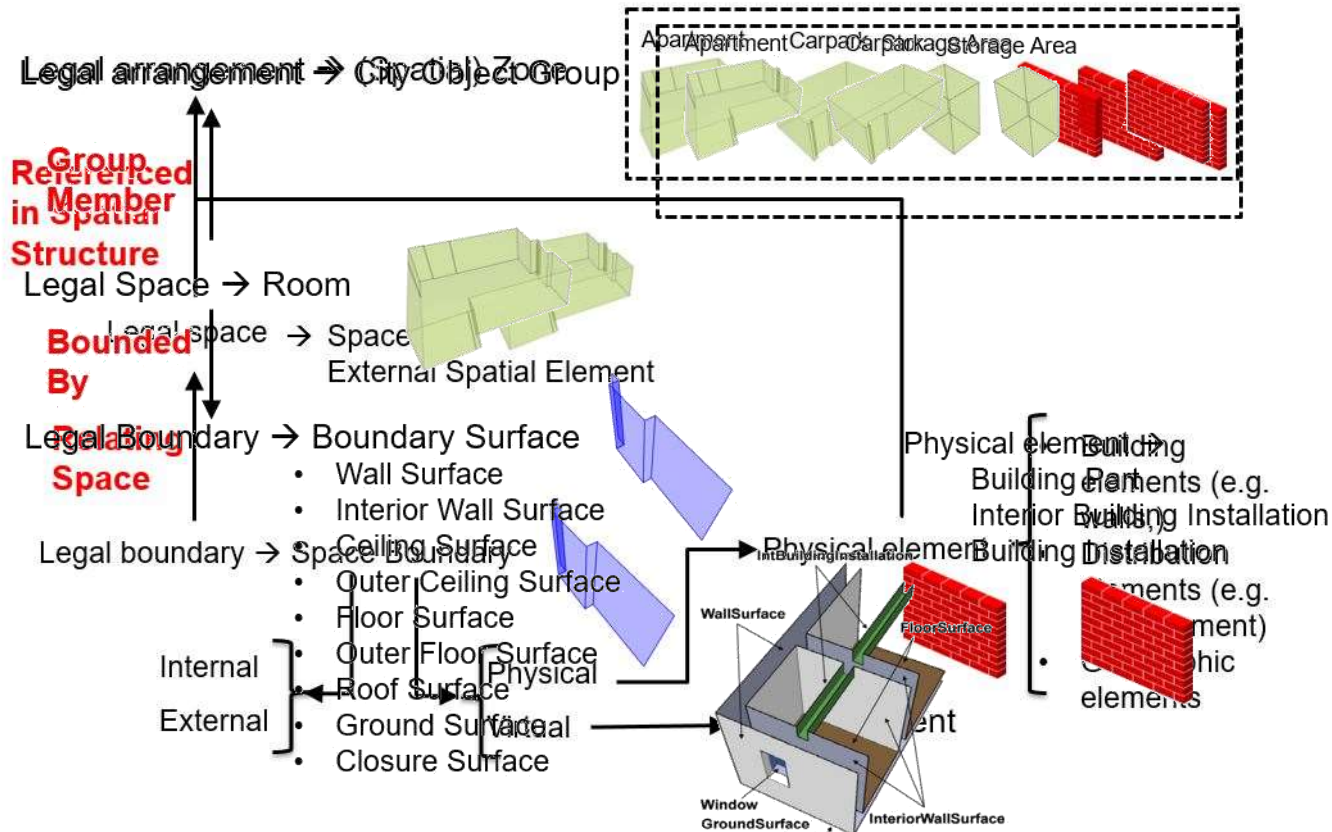


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# Spatial Data Models for 3D Property Map Base

- LADM (Land Administration Domain Model)
- IFC (Building Information Modelling)
- CityGML (3D City Information Models)



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# Potential 3D Platforms

- Spatial Databases (Oracle Spatial, PostGIS)
  - These DBs provide the ability to store and manage 3D spatial data
  
- 3D City Database:
  - A free geospatial database to managing 3D urban information models
  - Based on the CityGML schema
  - Enables complex analyses in the urban context
  
- BIMServer
  - An open source server for managing BIM models on the cloud
  - Based on IFC schema
  - Querying and visualising BIM models on the web



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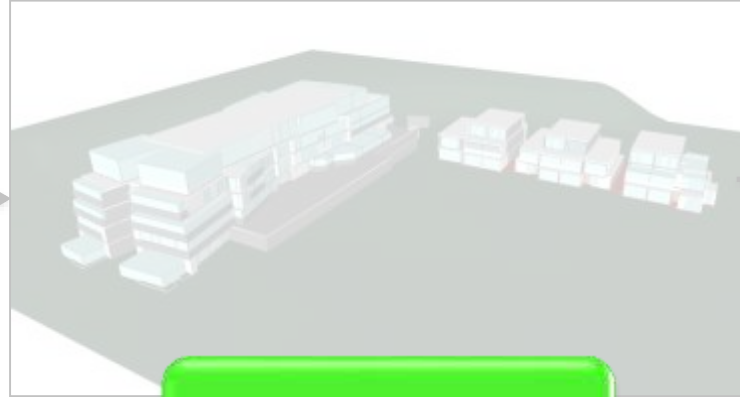


# Pathway Towards 3D Property Map Base

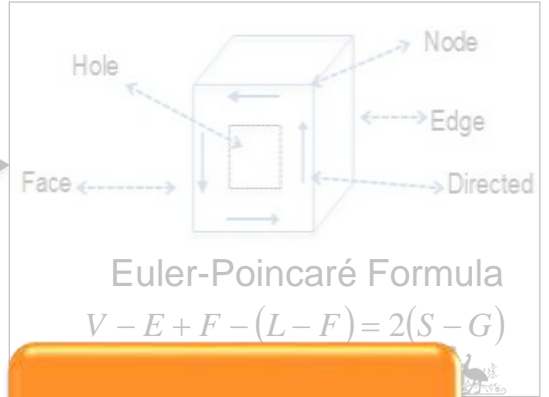
Subdivision Plan



3D Digital Subdivision Model



Validate Model



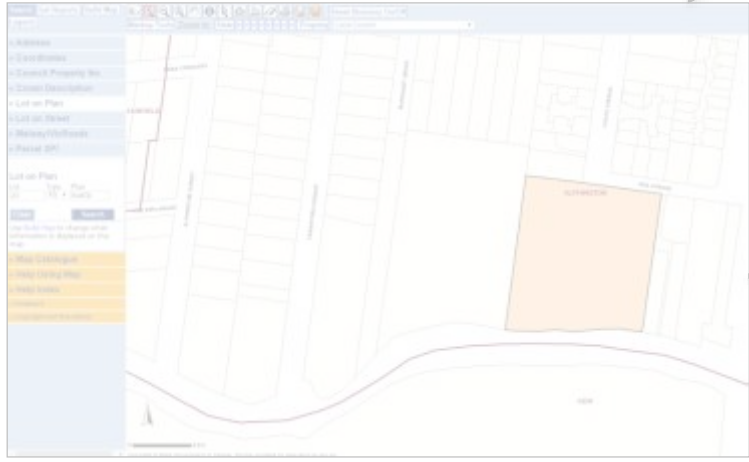
**Constructing**

**Validating**

**Querying and Analysis**

Model into base

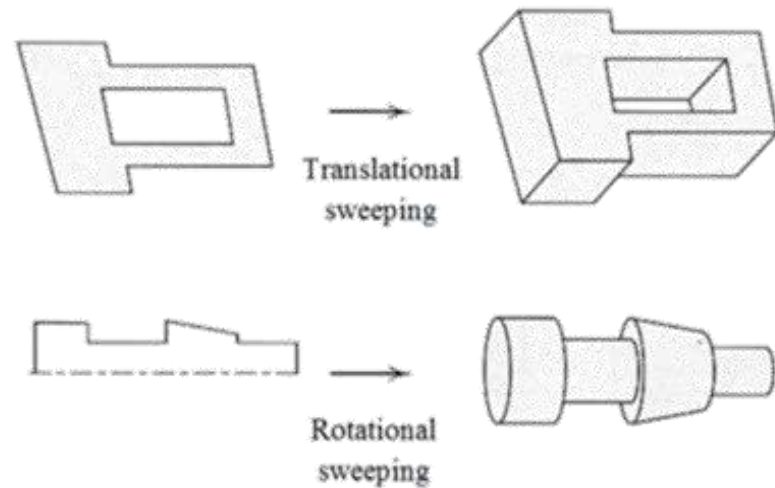
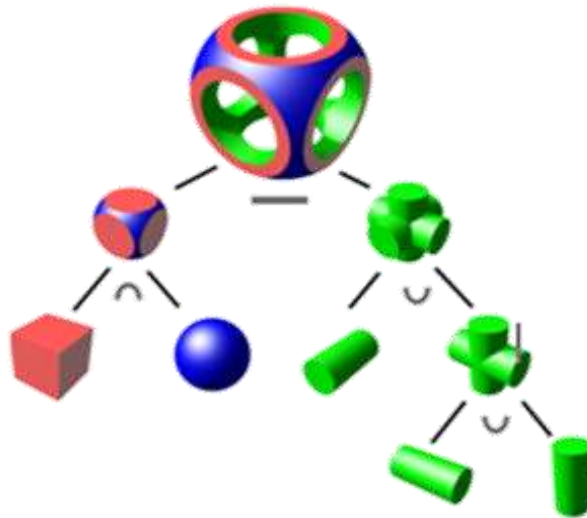
Spatial Property



# Constructing 3D Digital Property Models

## User Friendly Solid Modelling Approaches in CAD and BIM

- Constructive Solid Geometry (**CSG**)
- Sweeping



(Wikipedia, 2014), (Anand, 1996)



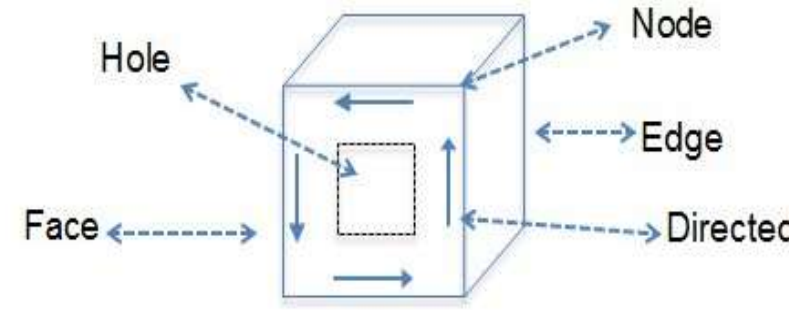
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# Validating 3D Digital Property Models

- To adopt the **boundary representation (B-rep)** with **full Topology of 3D property objects** and develop **process for engineering validation rules**.
- The geometry of 3D property objects (could be in **Constructive Solid Geometry-CSG** or **sweeping solid**), should be converted into **B-rep-based solid models**.
- Geometrical rules specific to 3D property objects (eg. **no overlaps/no gaps**) must be applied.

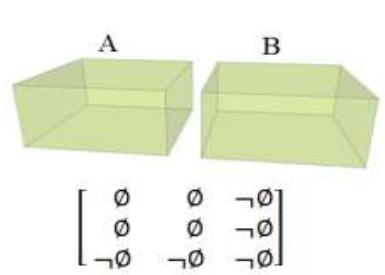


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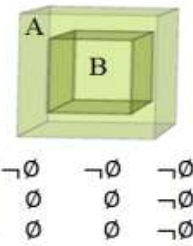
# 3D Spatial Query and Analysis

## Topological Operators – The 9-Intersection Model

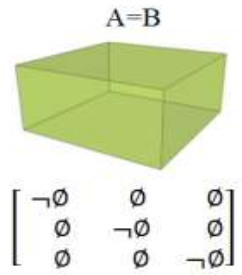
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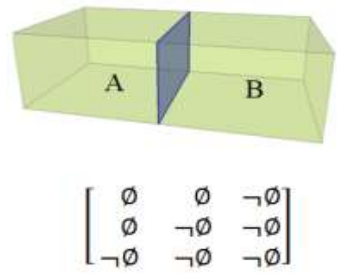
**A disjoint B**



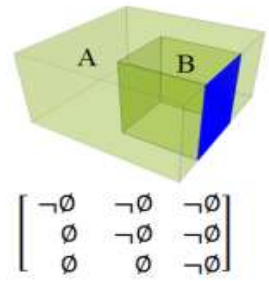
**A contains B  
B inside A**



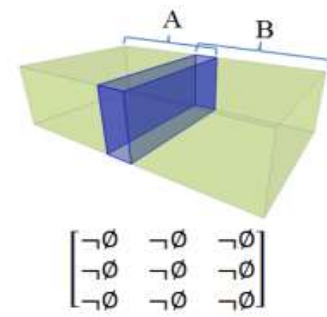
**A equals B**



**A touches B**



**A covers B  
B covered by A**



**A overlaps B**



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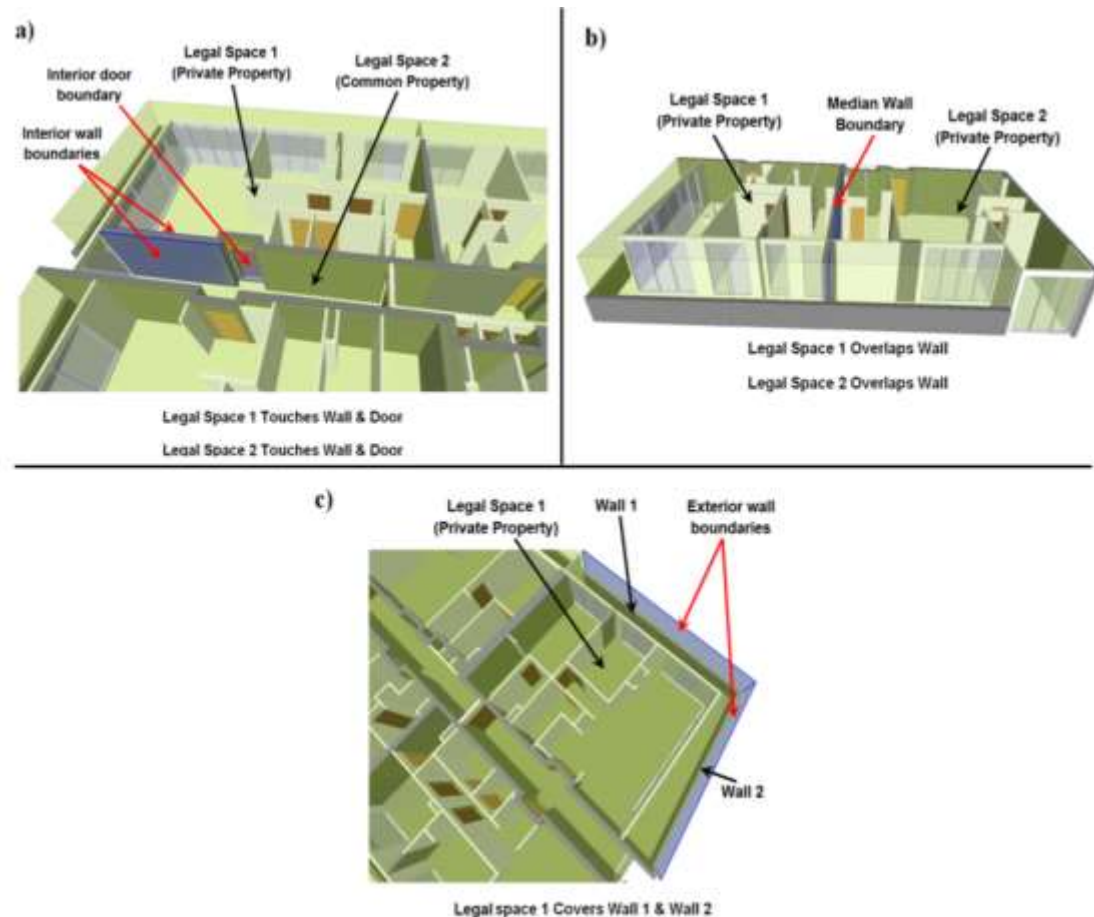
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A Touches B → Interior Boundary

A Overlaps B → Median Boundary

A Covers B → Exterior Boundary



# New Attributes of 3D Property Map Base

- Spatial location of vertically located properties can be clearly determined in 3D property map base.
- **Changes in current practices:** Stakeholders need to interact and communicate in a 3D digital environment.
- The authorities can make better decisions when a new development is constructed, **3D property map base can represent how** this development will affect surrounding properties (underground/aboveground).



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# New Attributes of 3D Property Map Base

## Emergence of **new use cases** for property map bases:

- **Estimating the density** of occupancy in 3D space.
- **3D analysis** based on population and employment forecasting to enable capacity modelling of existing and proposed services.
- Produce **interactive and narrative products**, which facilitate better community participation in the decision-making process.



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# Obstacles to Realise 3D Property Map Base

- **Institutional barriers** - in the current legislative and policy settings, as well as organisational culture of jurisdictions.
- The new **3D digital validation rules** must be **rigorously reviewed and approved** by the authoritative organisations.
- **Lack of required software and hardware across the organisations** for processing and rendering 3D digital data.



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# Takeaway Messages



- **3D property map base** could provide **solutions to resolve spatial problems** in communicating and managing vertically stratified properties.
- Development of 3D property map base entails **technical and institutional challenges**.
- A new approach for integrating 3D property information - vertically stratified ownership properties, into the current 2D property map base was proposed.
- The integrated 3D digital representation of the property map base would provide **intelligence in making spatial decisions with legal ownership of underground and above ground properties**.



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