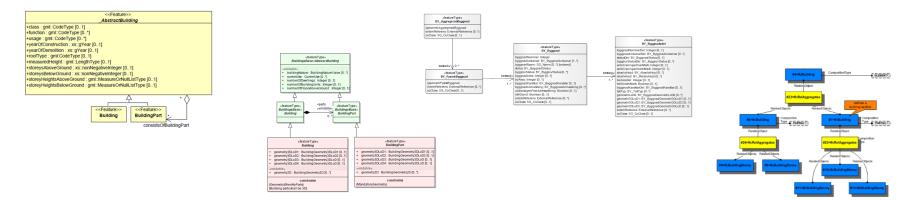
# What is the need for building parts?

#### - A comparison of CityGML, INSPIRE Building, a Swedish building standard and IFC

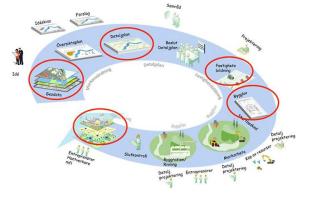


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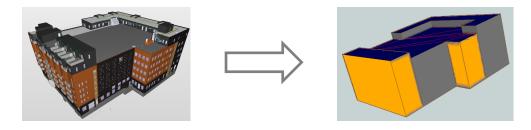
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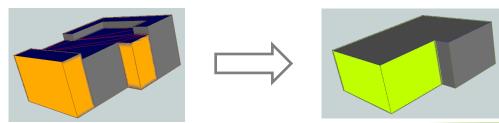
#### Information exchange of 3D building information



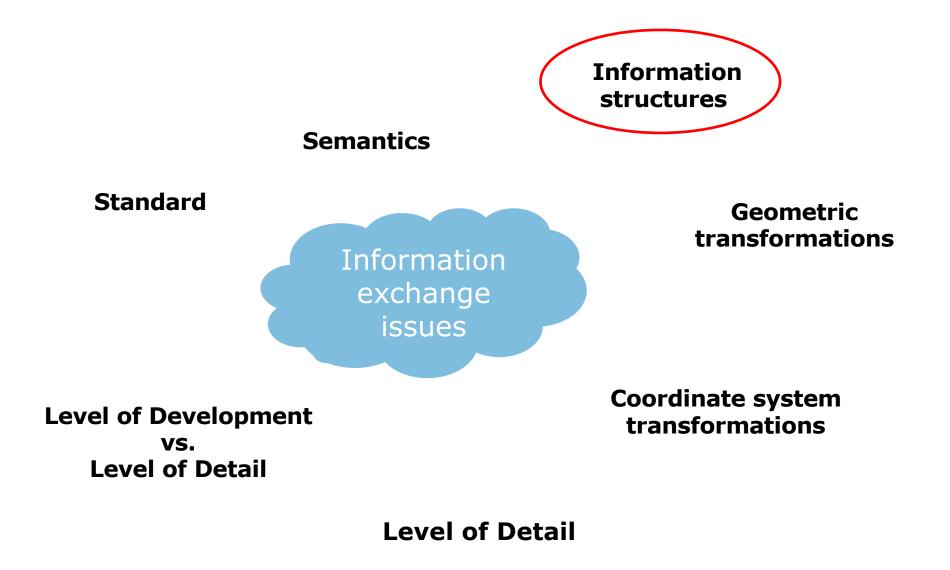
• From BIM model to geodata model:



• Between geodata models:









## Information structure issues during exchange and transformation

- The definition and categorisation of small building parts (e.g. windows, doors and beams) can affect the complexity of the transformation of data (Isikdag and Zlatanova, 2009; de Laat and van Berlo, 2010; El-Mekawy et al., 2012 and Oldfield et al., 2017)
  - From IFC to IFC
  - From IFC to CityGML
- From CityGML to INSPIRE BU "no fragmentation of building parts in further parts" is allowed when a CityGML-model is transformed to INSPIRE BU (Roschlaub and Batscheider 2016)

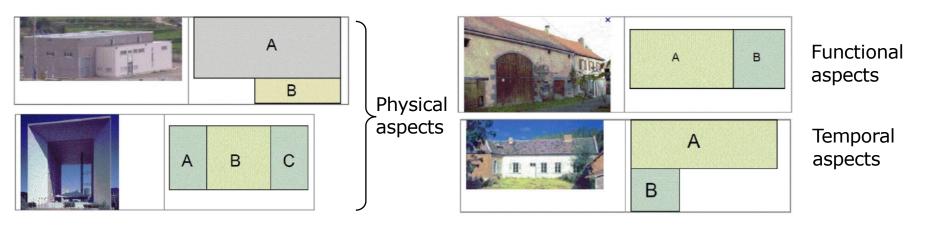
No comparison of *building parts* in various standards was found in the literature studied





## What are building parts?

- Building parts is an example of a information structure
- A building can be divided into building parts when it is not homogenous, due to:



- Legal aspect division into legal spaces
- Building parts are defined similar, but not identical in the following standards:







Svensk geoprocess Building

Industry Foundation Classes (IFC) ISO 16739:2013 Building

Examples from the INSPIRE specification on Buildings

## Test Case: Comparison of building part structures in four standards

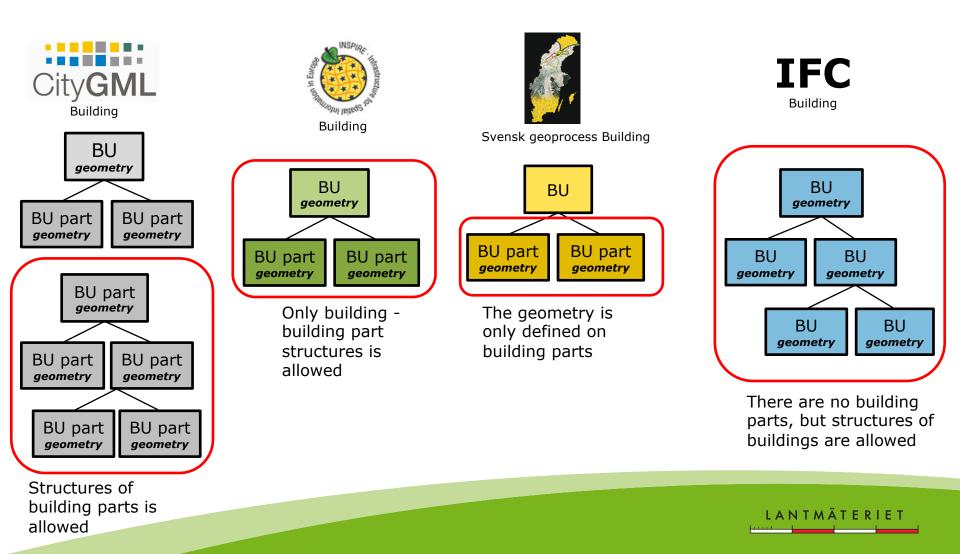
How can information structures affect data harmonisation?

- Within a standard when the definition of concepts is ambiguous and described as recommendation instead of requirements
- Between standards when related standards share many concepts that are defined in slightly different ways

#### Aim:

- Study how building parts is defined in four geodata and BIM specifications
- Describe possible reasons for a building to be divided into building parts in potential applications

### **Conclusions from the specification comparison**



## **Conclusions cont.**

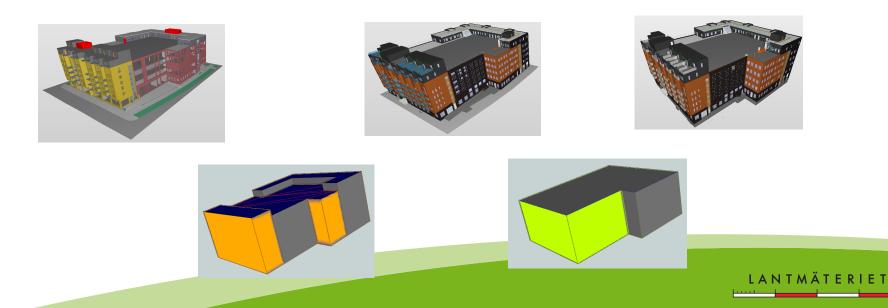


- The structural differences of building parts have consequences when information is exchanged within and between standards
- The way a building is divided into building parts could have consequences when this information is used later in a different context, for example:
  - The building-building part structure of a geodata model will the same as in the BIM model, if this is the source
  - In the building permit process, building parts can be divided due to physical aspects, but 3D real property formation might want a functional division
- Should three different geodata specifications be used for 3D buildings? Or, should we rather only use CityGML with extensions?
- Or, at least have clear recommendations of how to use building parts in a national context



### **Future research**

- Perform tests with 3D geodata building information to evaluate if and how different ways of dividing a building into parts would affect building permit and 3D real property formation applications
- Evaluate if having the geometry on the building or on the building parts make any difference in these applications



## Thank you for your attention!

## Questions?



