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#### Review

"The BIM Handbook bills itself as a "guide", but it is also a history—a compendium of case studies, a detailed look at the underlying software and other technology, and a forward-looking analysis of how BIM will exert increasing influence on the way buildings are designed, constructed, and operated." (*Civil Engineering*, July 2008)

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- Introduces Building Information Modeling and the technologies that support it
- Reviews BIM and its related technologies, in particular parametric and object-oriented modeling, its potential benefits, its costs, and needed infrastructure
- Explains how designing, constructing, and operating buildings with BIM differs from pursuing the same activities in the traditional way using drawings, whether paper or electronic
- Discusses the present and future influences of BIM on regulatory agencies; legal practice associated with the building industry; and manufacturers of building products
- Presents a rich set of BIM case studies and describes various BIM tools and technologies
- Shows how specific disciplines—owners, designers, contractors, and fabricators—can adopt and implement BIM in their companies
- Explores BIM's current and future impact on industry and society

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