Integration of Research & Development Project Management with Computer Aided Tools for Fast Innovation of Construction Technologies

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Abstract

Innovation of construction technologies have been slow compared with other industries due to lack of fast innovation tools and systematic approach. Previous researchers have exploited many technology innovation methods; however a systematic and common approach is still desired. This paper presents the preliminary result of a recent work on development of a fast innovation method for construction technologies, namely Systematic Technology Innovation Process (STIP), in Chung Hua University, Taiwan. The proposed STIP method founds its foundation on three building blocks: a product research and development procedure, an inventive problem-solving method, and a computer aided innovation tool. A case study of building pipeline leakage repairing technology is conducted to demonstrate the applicability and feasibility of the proposed STIP method. It is concluded that the proposed STIP method provide a promising framework for fast innovation of construction technologies.

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