

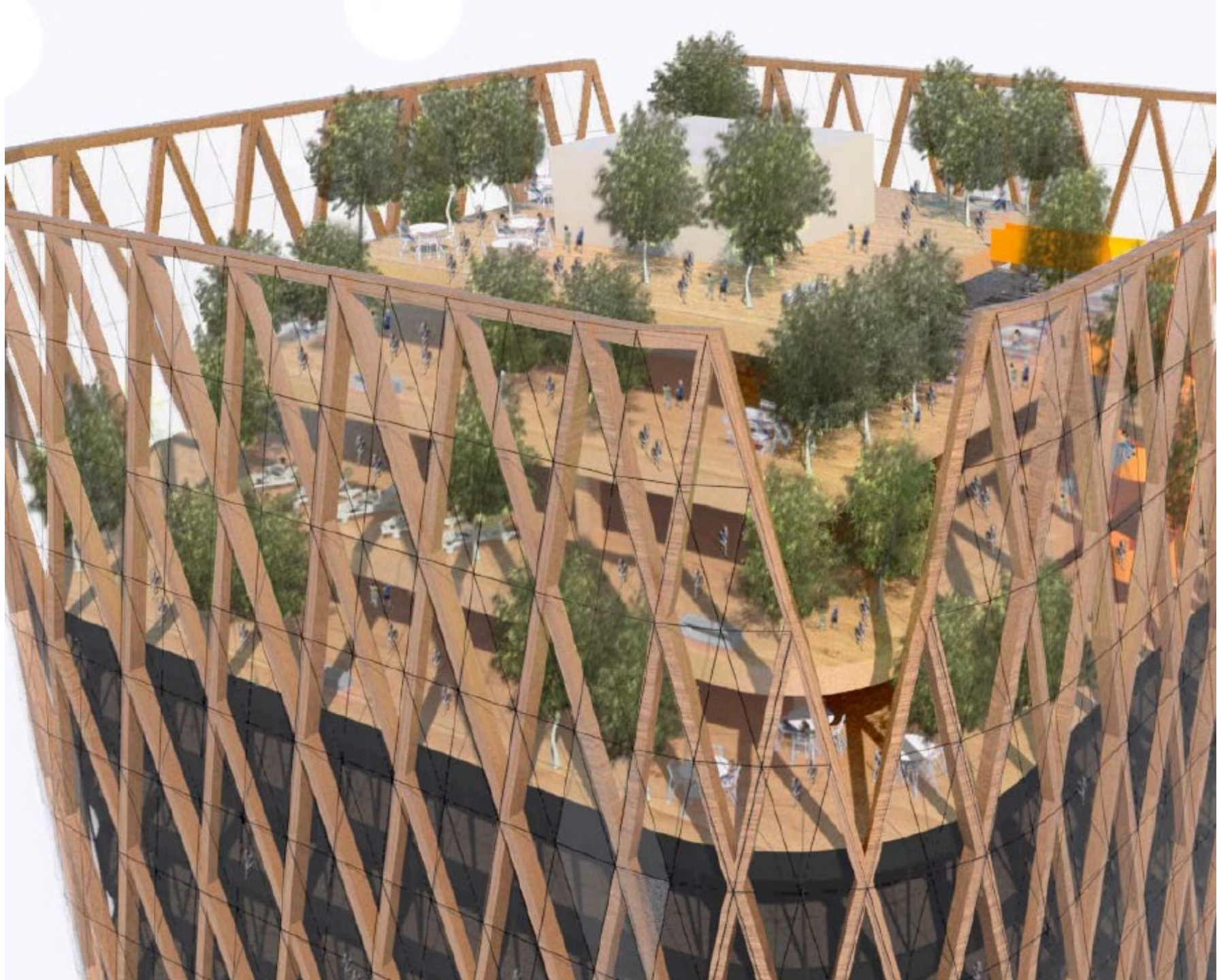
# Bamboo Engineering

Neil Thomas



# Tall Timber





# Woodland Trust







THE WAVES HAVE A JOY OF BLUE  
AND GOLD, AND THE AIR IS GREEN WITH  
RECYCLING OF THE TREES. A YELLOW LEAF  
TREMbles IN THE AUTUMN WIND, AND A VOICE IS HEARD THAT IS THE  
OCTOBER WIND'S ALOW, AND IN THAT LEAF THE VOICE IS ORGANISED,  
AND IN THAT FIELD THE VOICES ARE THE SAME. HE HAD THE FIRST  
TRANSFORMATIVE WINTER. I HAVE BEEN SO COLD MYSELF I THOUGHT  
THE STRINGS WOULD NOT REMEMBER ME. TRIUMPHS FROM THE AIR (I WILL ADMIT I DID  
NOT AIM AS FAR AS THE EYE COULD SEE) WERE ALL THE JOY OF IT, AND I THOUGHT THE  
CAR WILL END AND THE WORLD TURN ON. INCALCULABLY THE SUN IS AT MY BACK BEHIND AN  
ASTONISHING AND FASCINATING CLOUD. THIS WALK IS MY SYMBOLIC CASTING, THIS  
ENDLESS COLLABORATION WITH THE LEAVES, THESE GREEN HARVESTS OF MY SHADOW  
THAT WILL GO ON FOR A LONG TIME BEFORE THE GREAT ECLIPSE, THOUGH I HAVE TRIED  
I COULD BELIEVE IN WHAT THE LIGHT WAS SAYING, THAT IT WAS GOOD, THAT IT  
WAS LONGED FOR, THOUGH I KNOW I THOUGHT IT MARVELOUS, WHILE  
I WATCHED THE SEA AND THE SKY: I RESPECTED THE LILIES THAT  
GROW IN MY GARDEN, AND MOON. THE LILIES MADE  
GROUP ABOUT THE AND STARED



UK PAVILION  جناح المملكة المتحدة

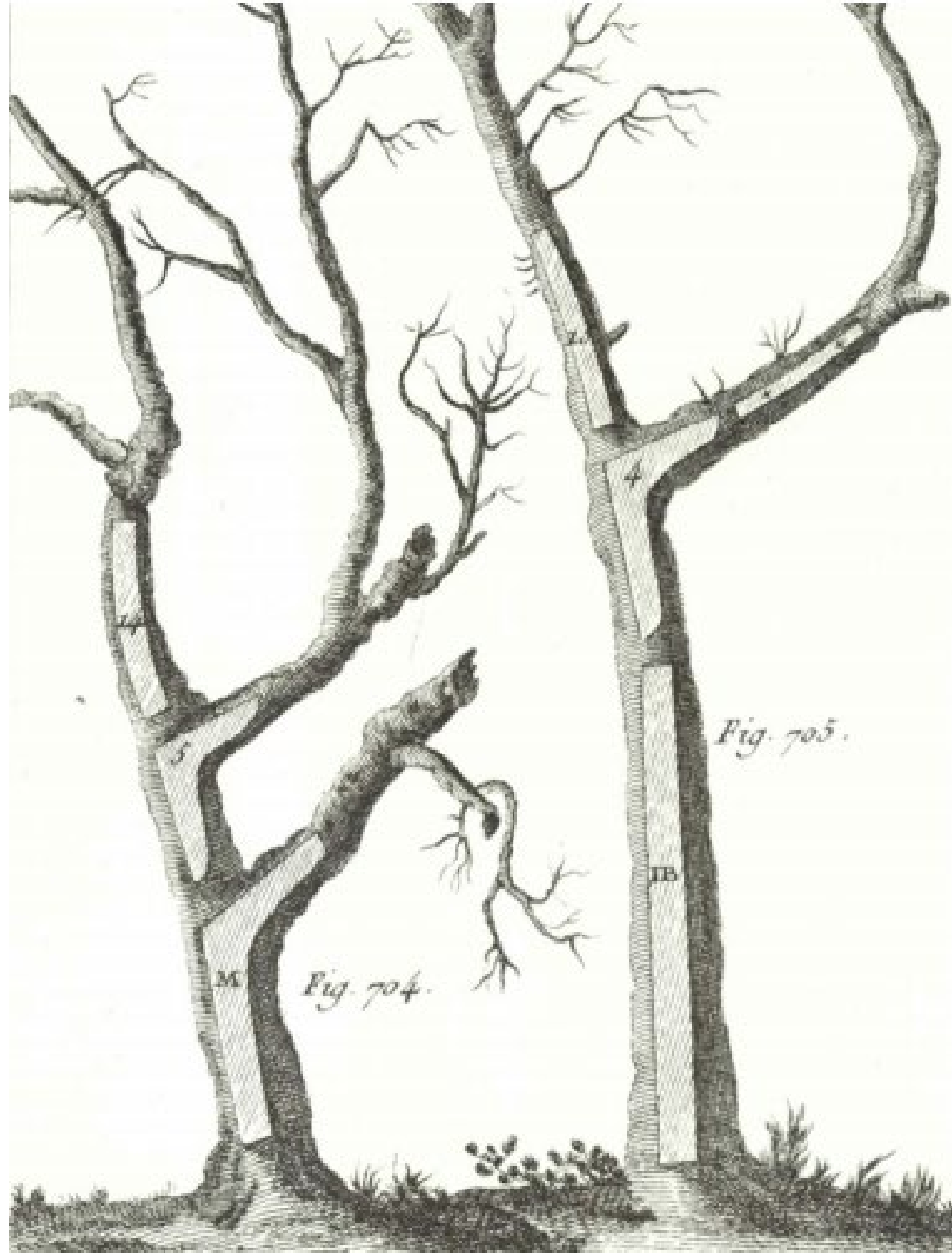


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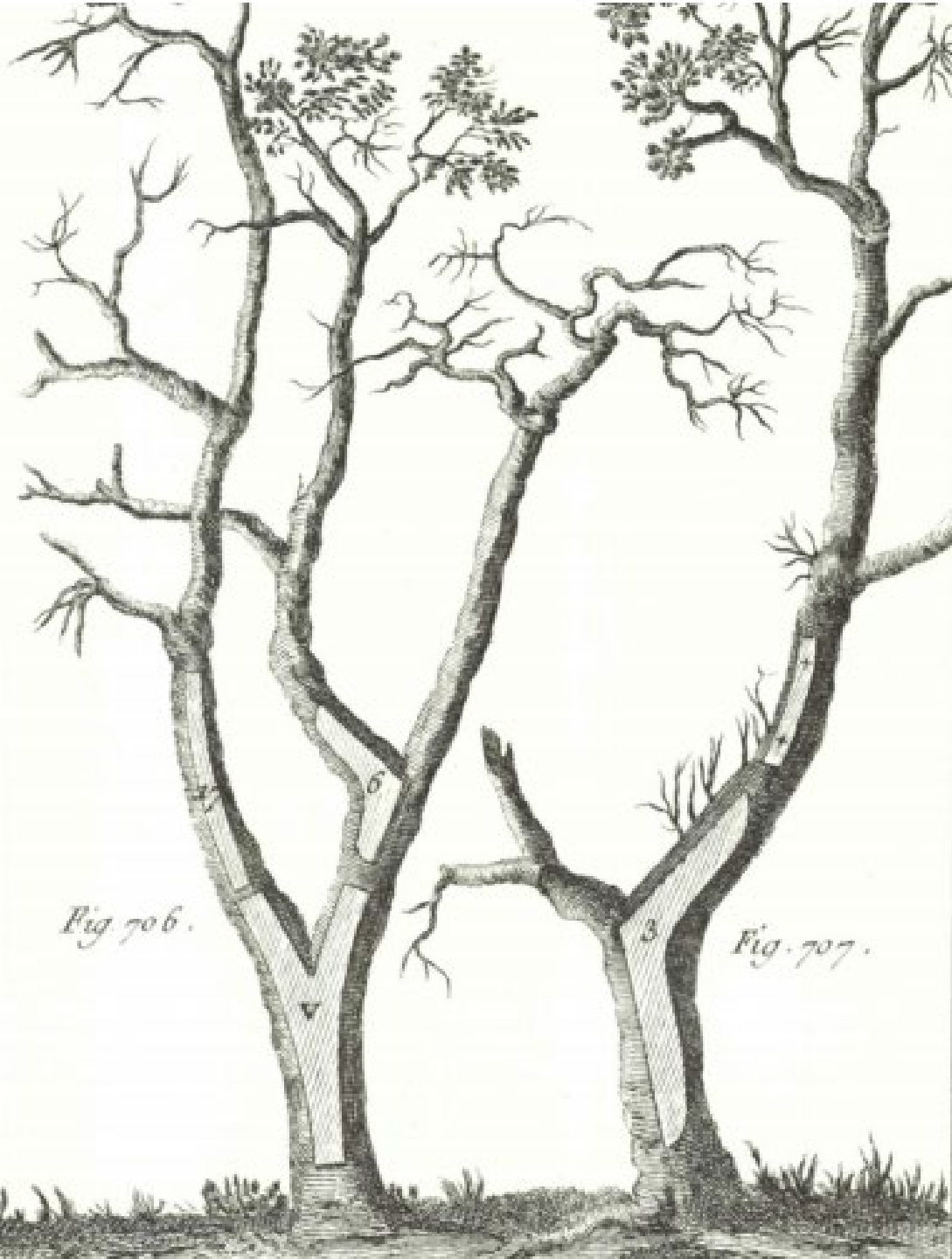


Fig. 706.

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Position: +050.79502° / -002.67711°

Altitude: 604ft

Azimuth/Bearing: 064° N64E 1138mils (True)

Elevation Angle: +26.5°

Horizon Angle: -00.3°

Zoom: 1X









Bamboo



# Green School Bali









# Sharma Spring



# Moon House

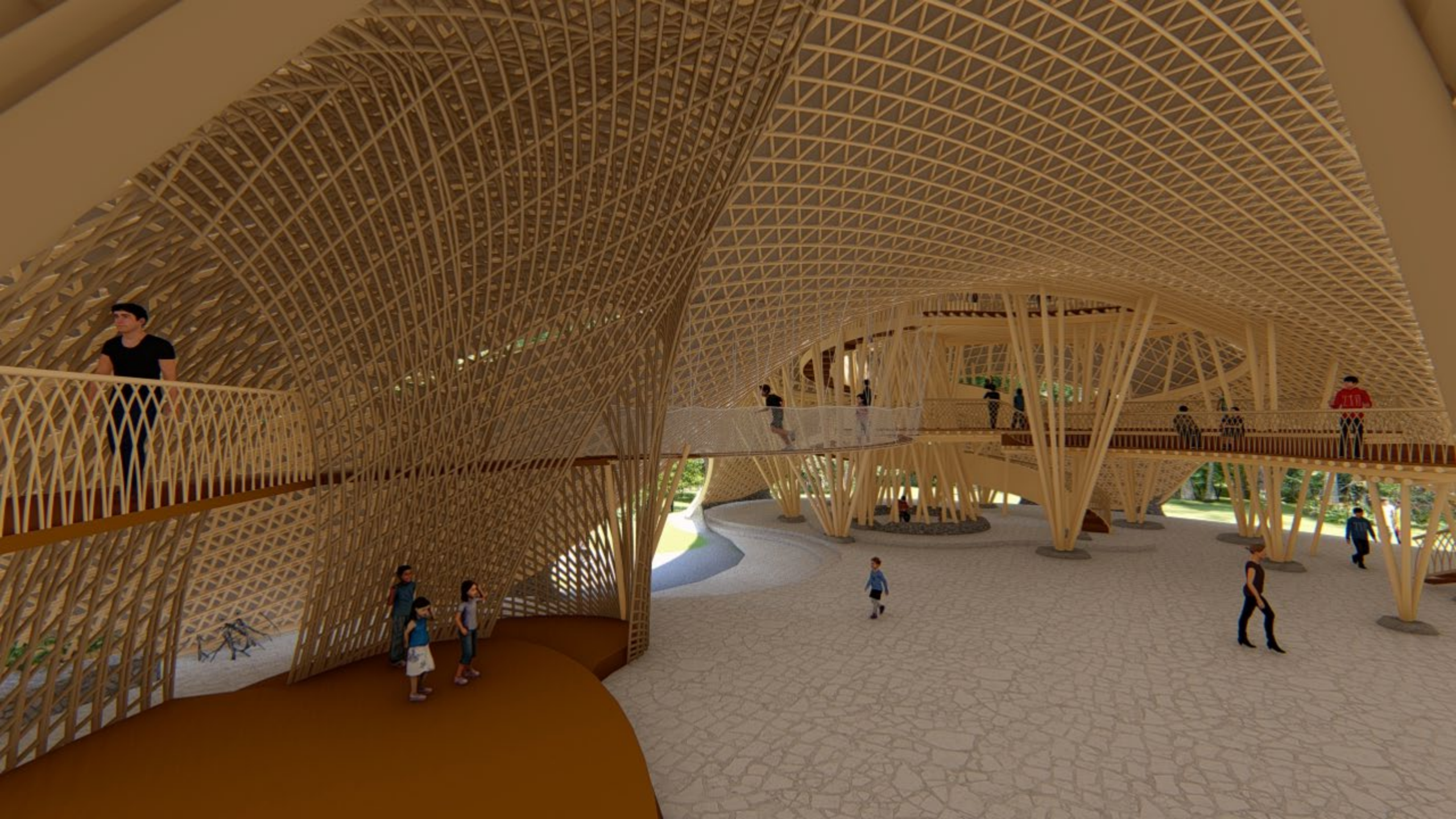






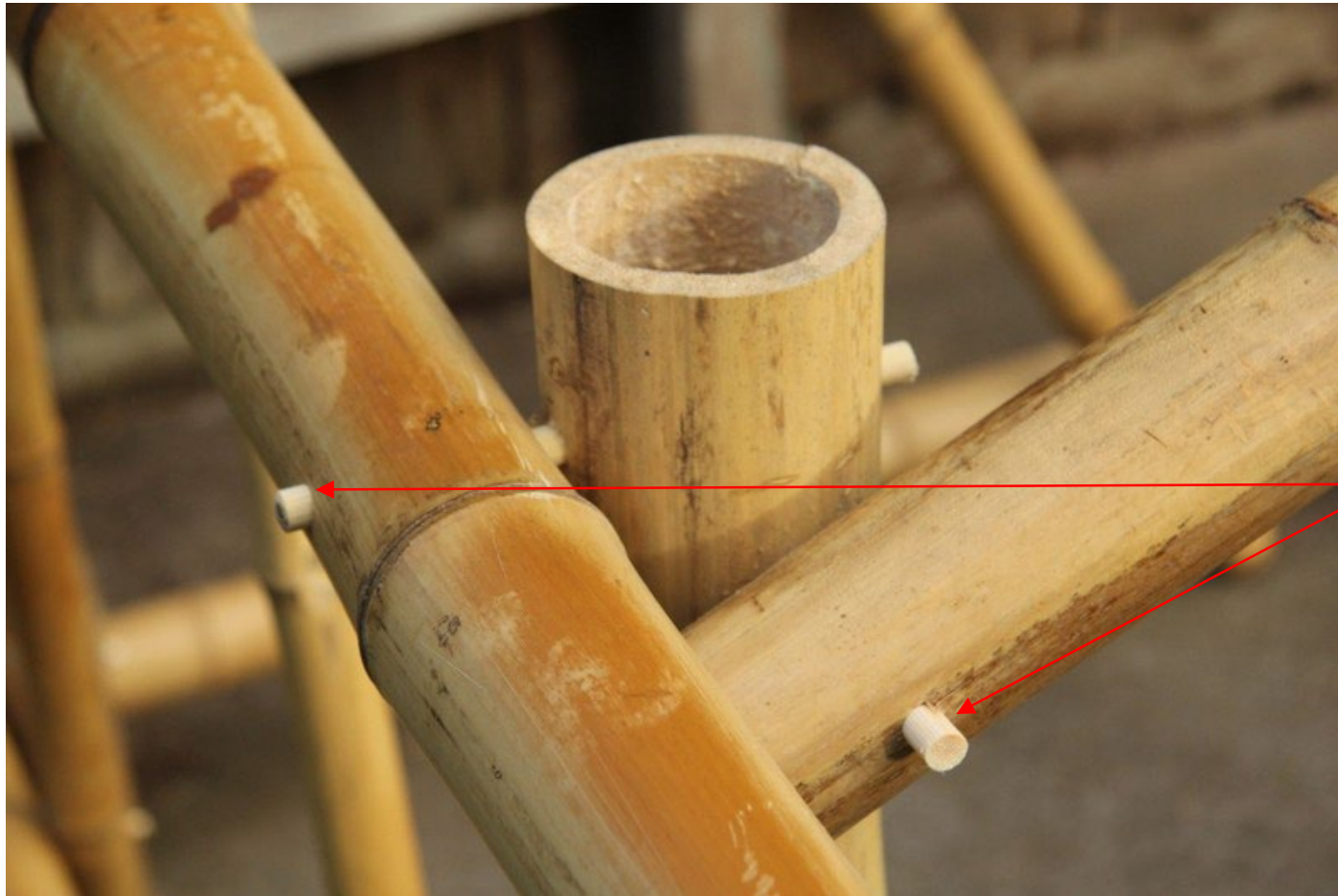








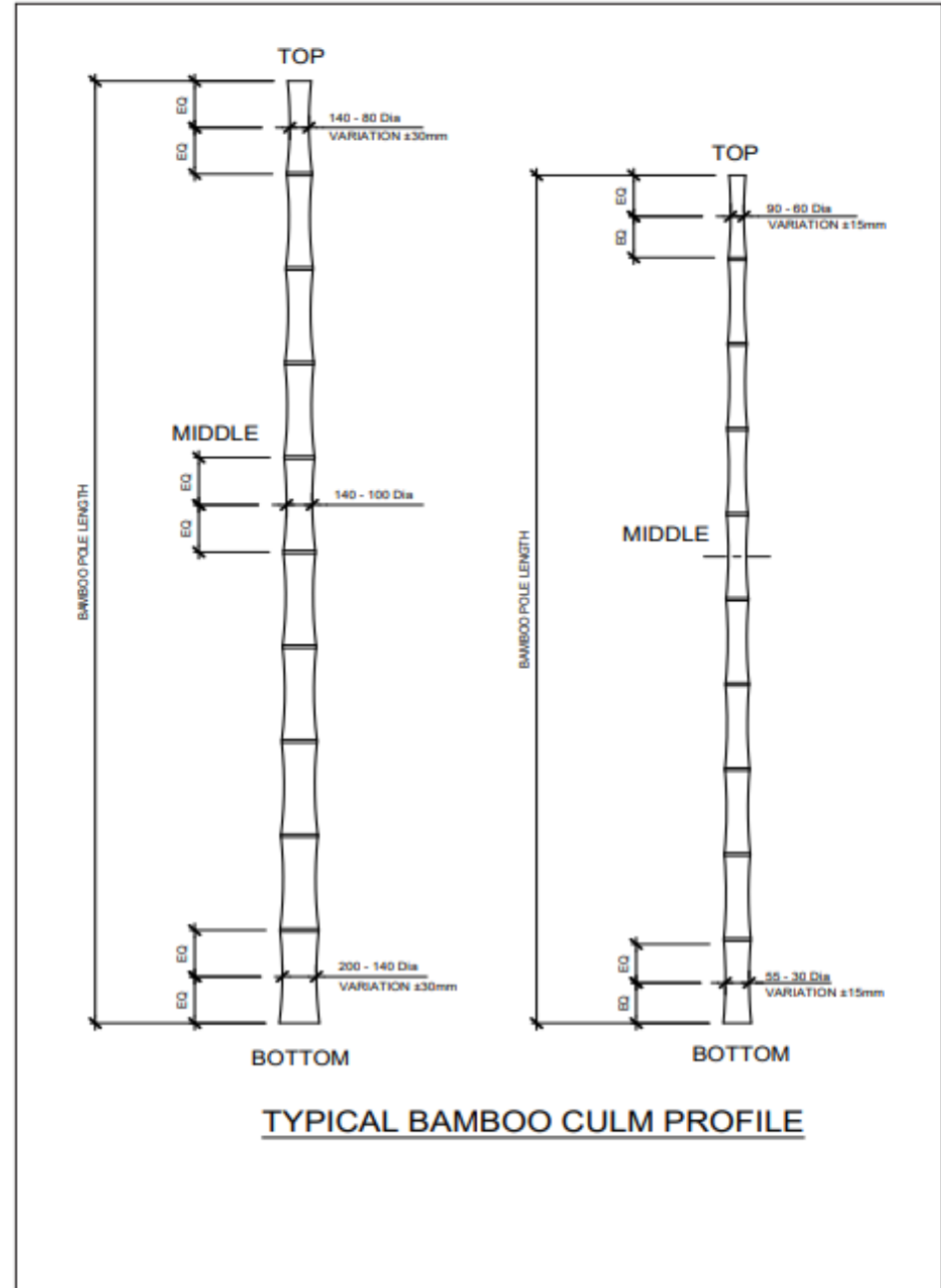


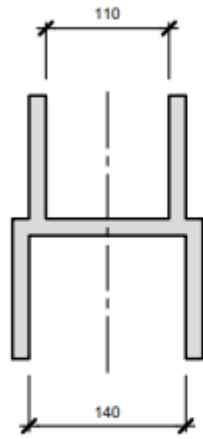


Traditional dowelled connections rely on loading a small area of bamboo in shear. This significantly restricts the force that can be transferred.

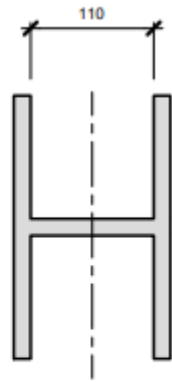
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bamboo



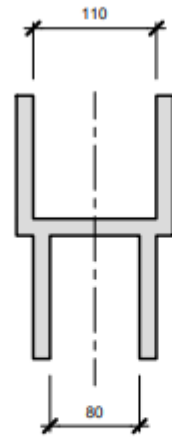




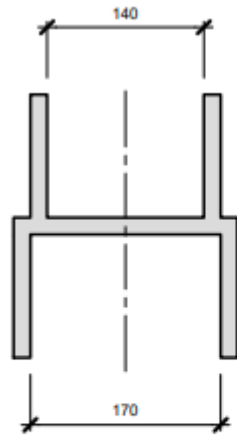
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STEPPED



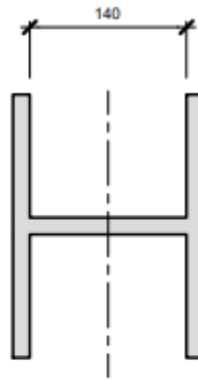
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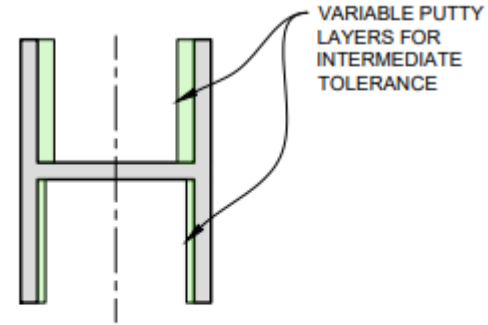
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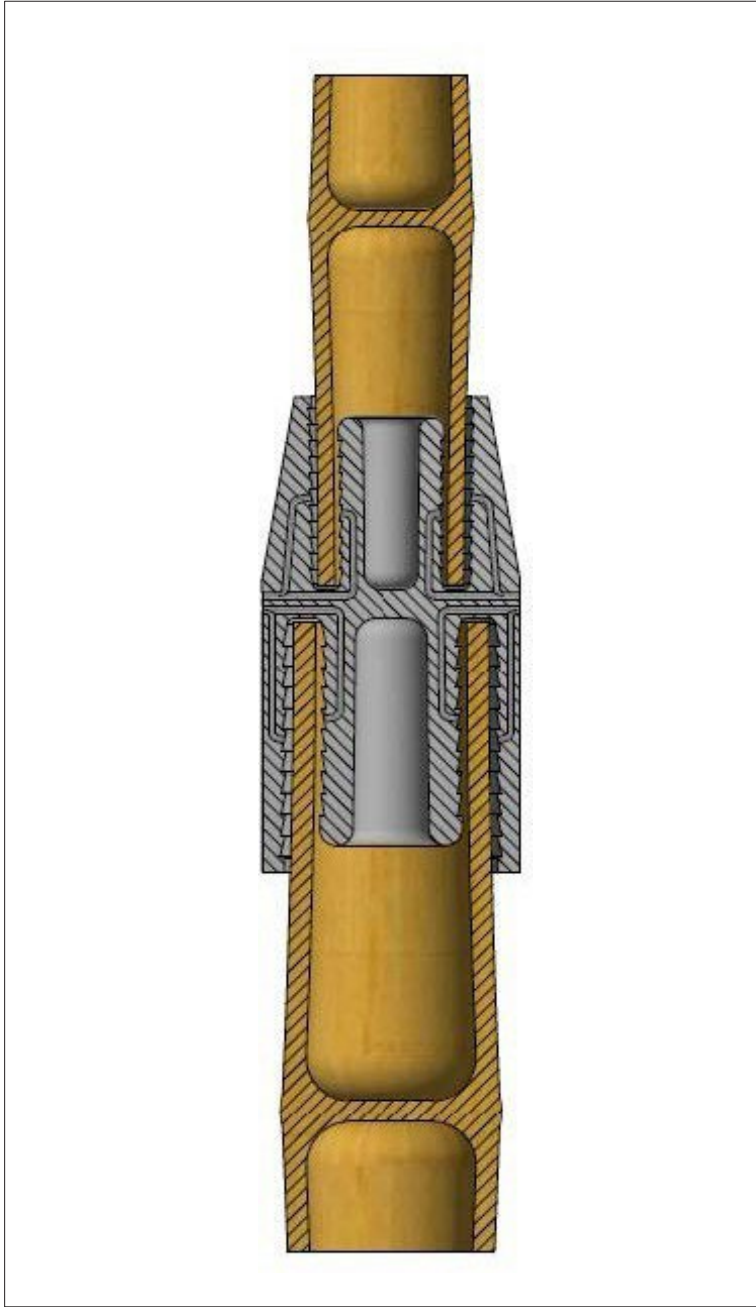
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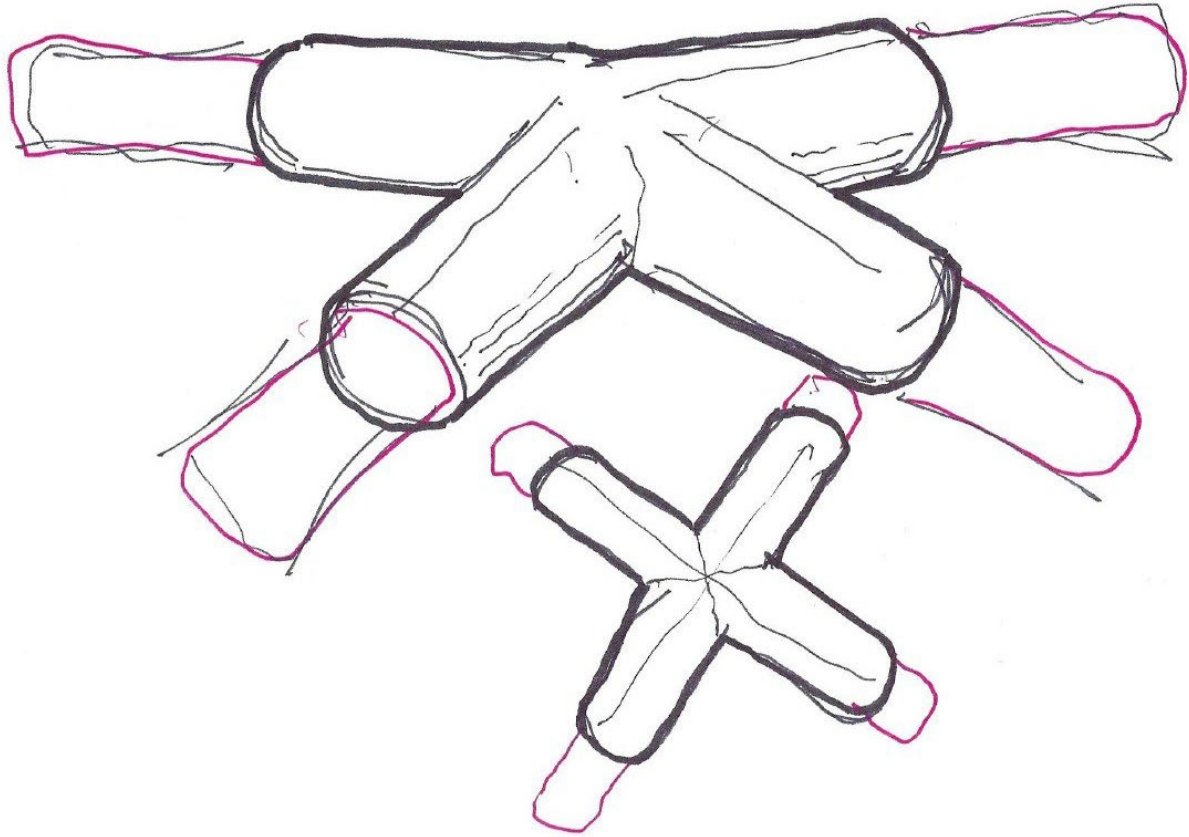


CONNECTION NODE VARIANTS



# 3D printed coupler

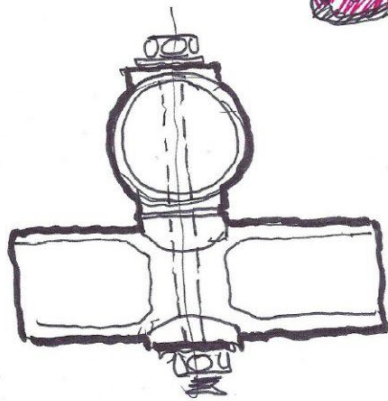
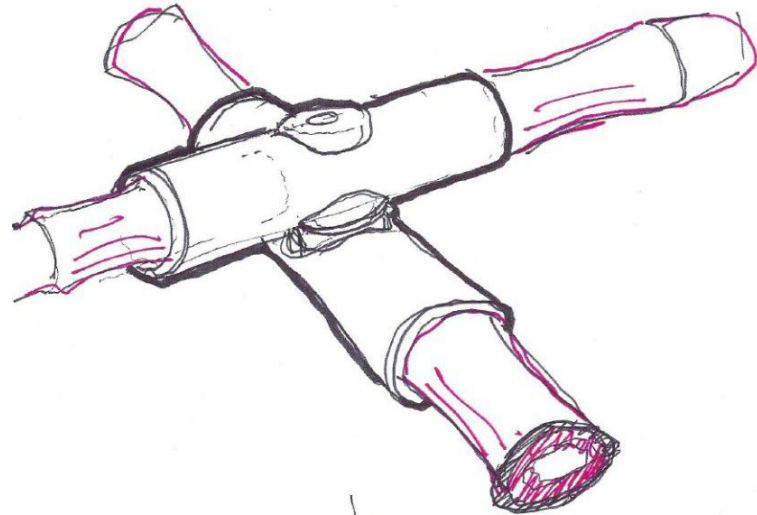






# “Full strength” cross node

“FULL STRENGTH” CROSS NODE



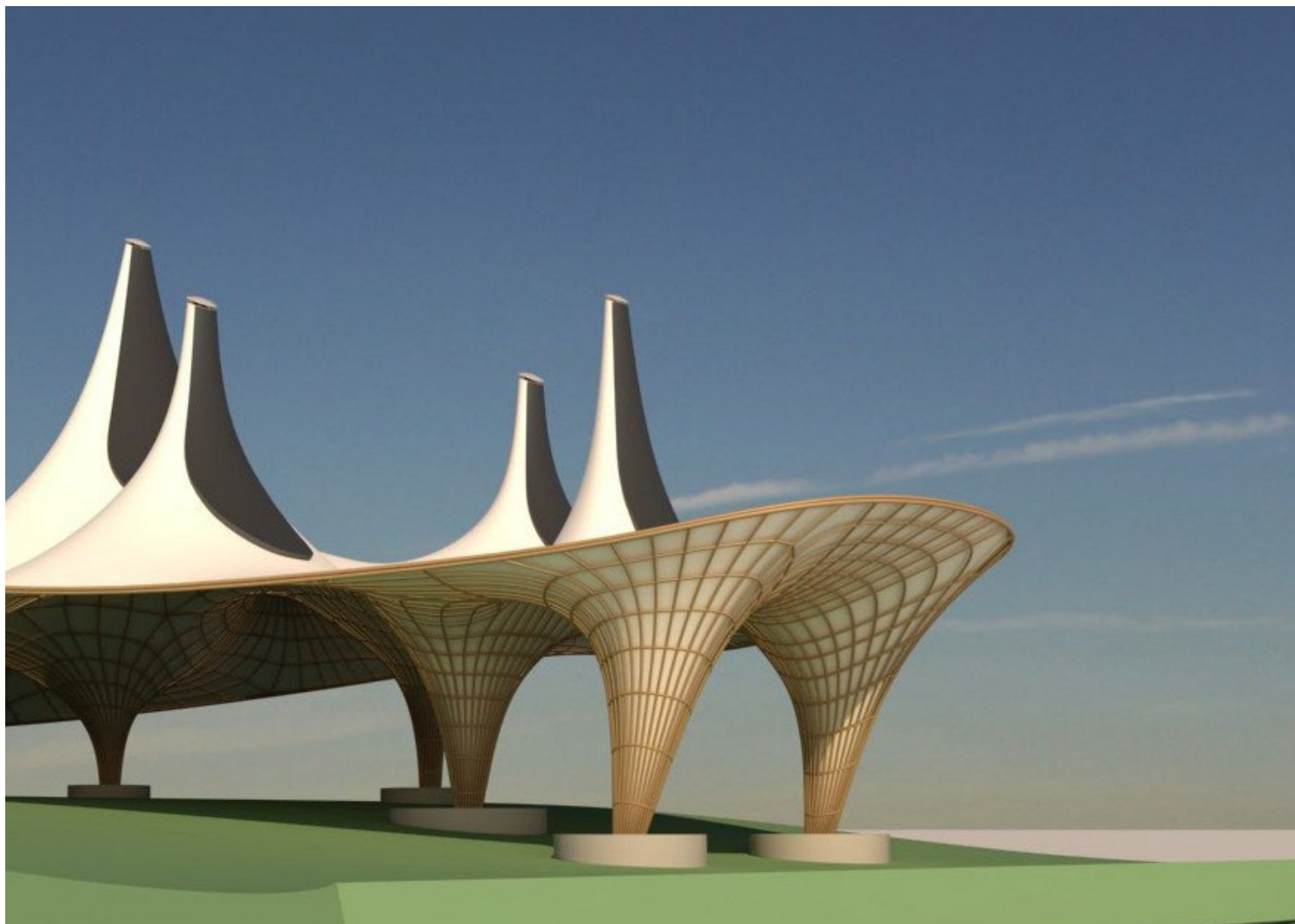
24. notes for 1/20/10  
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Concept design for an anticlastic bamboo gridshell, using principles inspired by Frei Otto, to form a great hall.








# Green School Great Hall



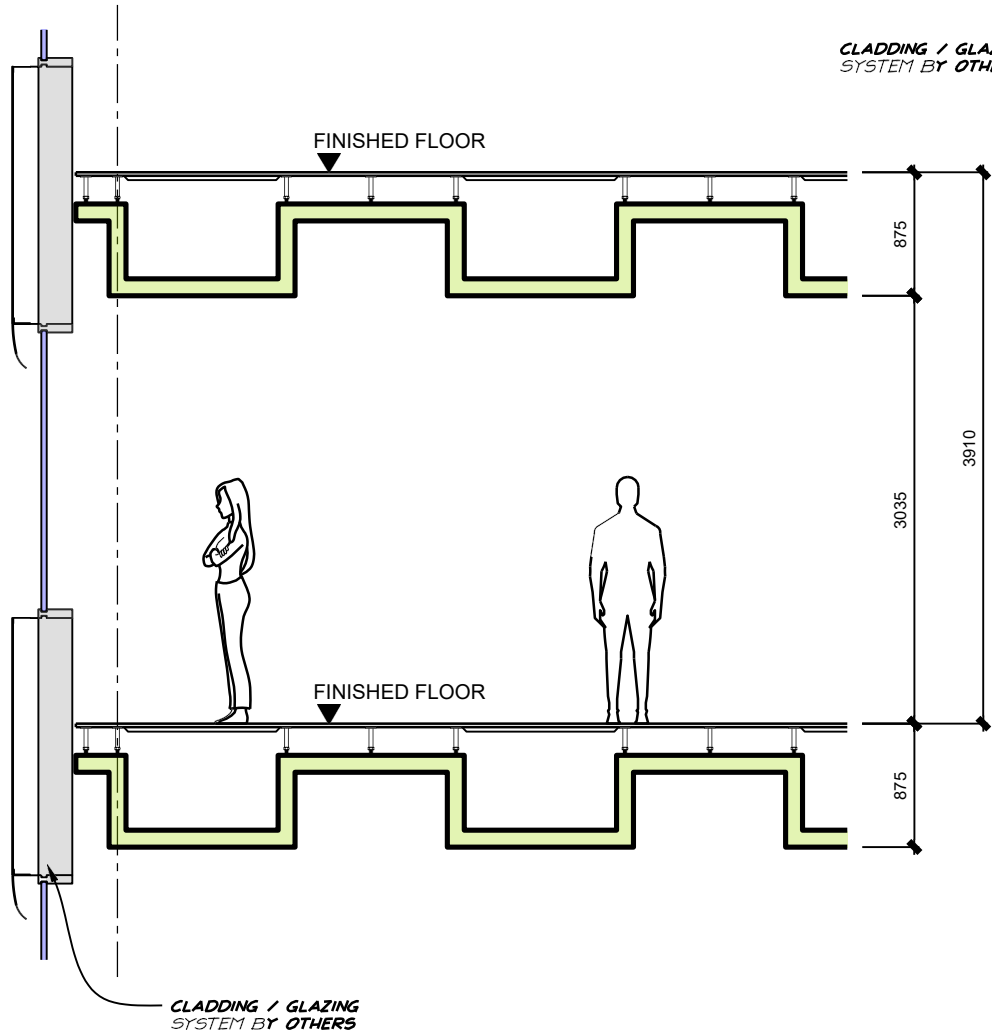
# Engineered Bamboo

## Mechanical Properties - Engineered Bamboo Products

		<b>Lamboo LVB</b> 	<b>MOSO Bamboo N-finity</b> 	<b>GL 24c</b> 	<b>BauBuche</b> 	<b>ReNuTeq VereLam</b> 
Density [kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]		705	650-700	365	800	673
Young's Modulus (MOE) [GPa]		9.0	9.7	11	16.8	20.0
Flexural Strength (MOR) [MPa]		77.2	56.7	24	75	88.3
Compressive Strength [MPa]	Parallel	56.9	34.4	21.5	59.4	93.0
	Perpendicular	19.8	9.9	2.5	14.8	20.9
Tensile Strength [MPa]	Parallel	60.7	39.9	17	60.0	147.9
	Perpendicular	4.6	1.9 Edgewise 2.8 Flatwise	0.5	0.6	3.7
Shear Strength [Mpa]		20.0	4.6 Edgewise 6.5 Flatwise	3.5	4.5	20.0







**PROPOSED EDGE SECTION  
PERPENDICULAR TO TIMBER SPAN**  
(OPTION 1)

*CLADDING / GLAZING  
SYSTEM BY OTHERS*

FINISHED FLOOR

875

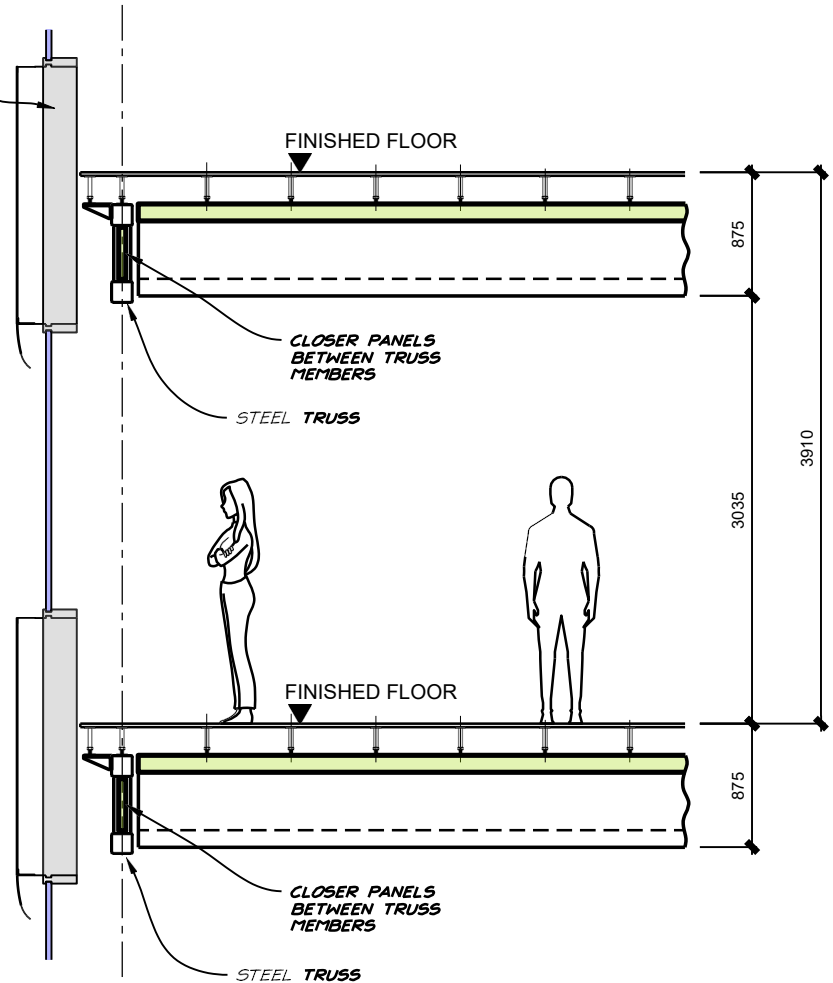
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*CLADDING / GLAZING  
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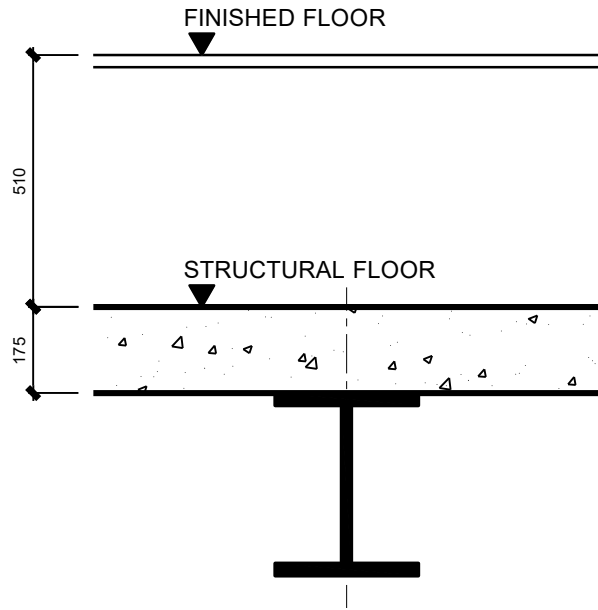
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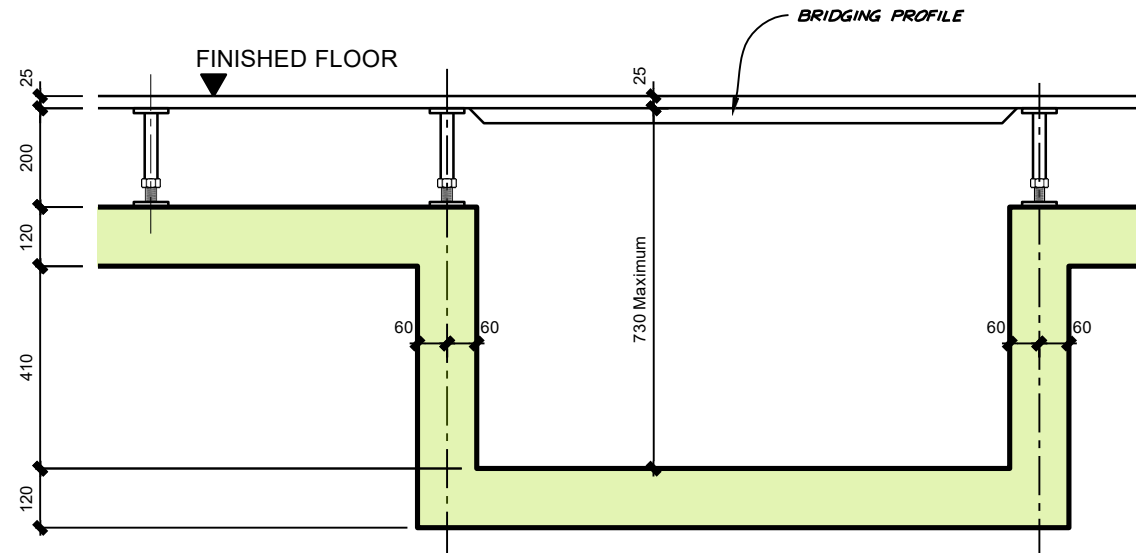
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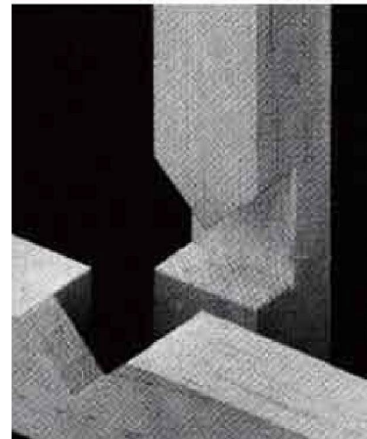
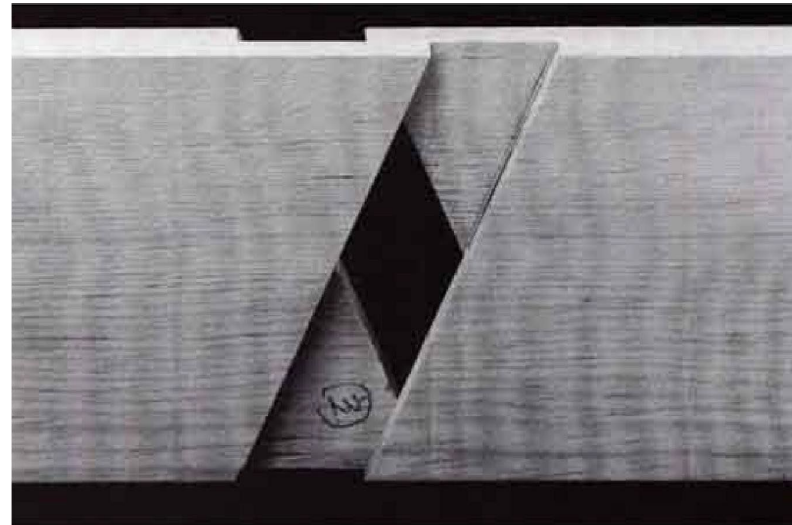
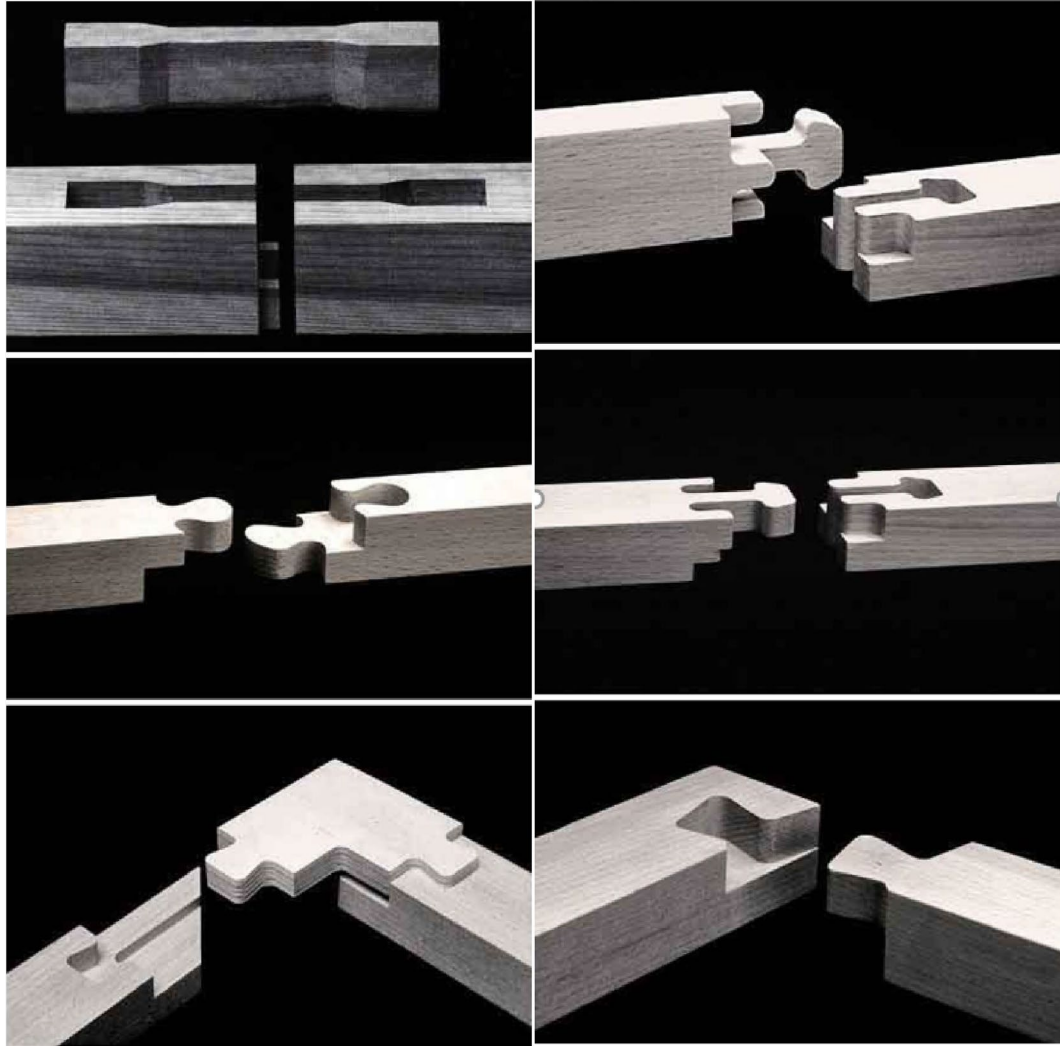
CURRENT FLOOR SYSTEM



PROPOSED FLOOR SYSTEM  
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# Japanese Joinery Examples



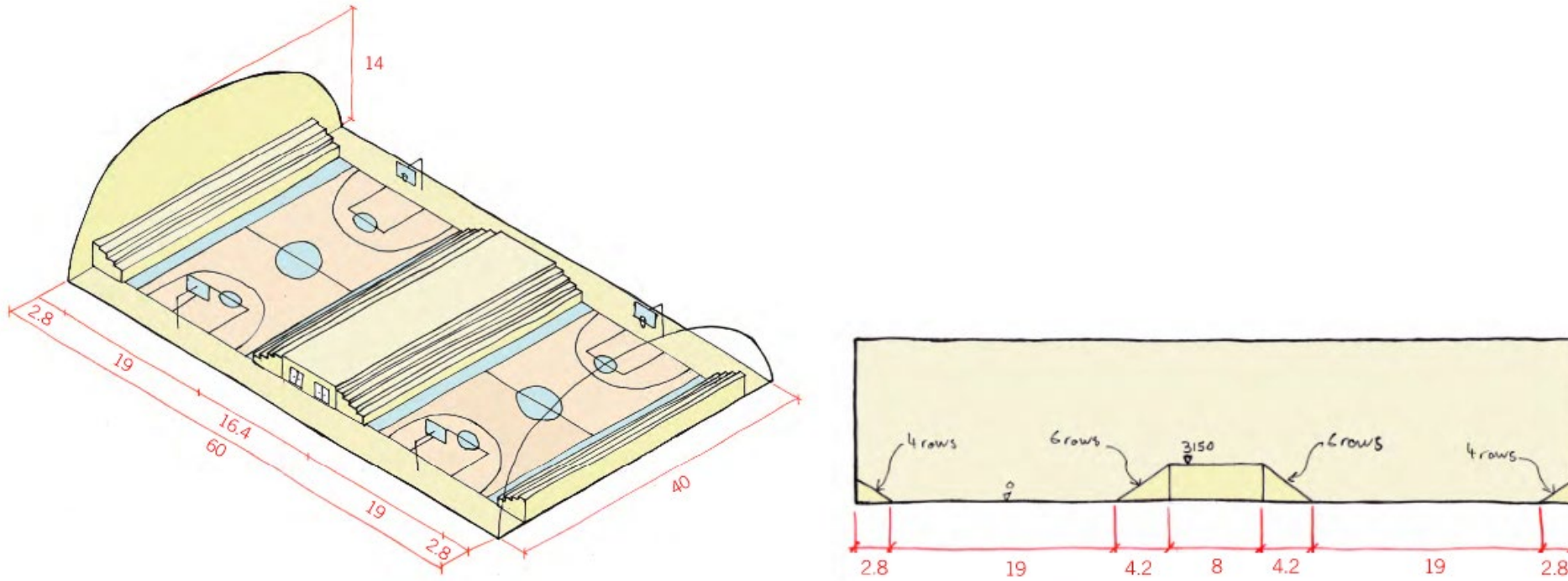


## 2. Design Parameters

The following design parameters have been established for the purposes of the cross-comparison exercise.

### 2.1 Court Layout

The structure is to accommodate 2 basketball courts. The arrangement of these courts is still undecided. The below arrangement has been selected for the

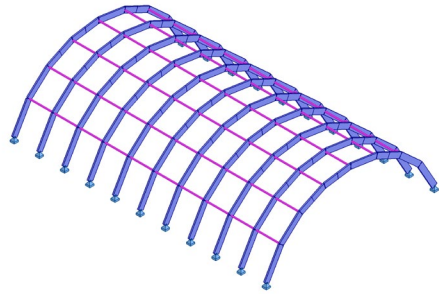


# 1. INTRODUCTION

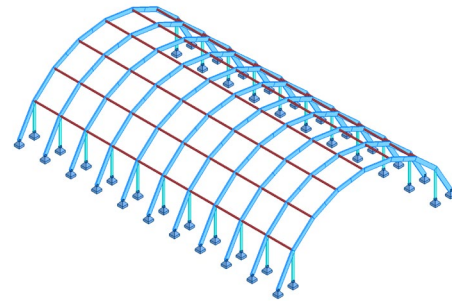
This document compares various structural forms proposed for the project - Fort Erie Basketball Court.

Stability in lengthwise direction is not yet addressed and thus will require further bracing.

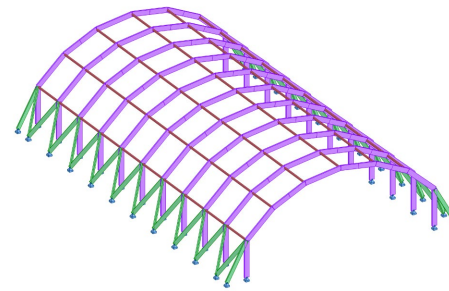
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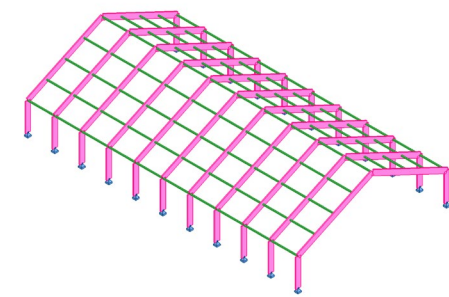
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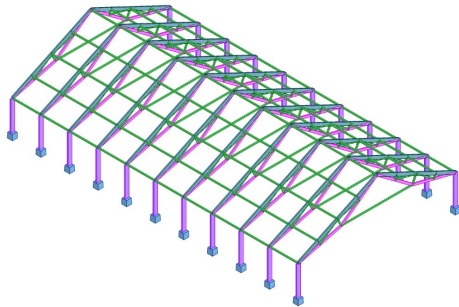
Barrel Arch With Props and Releases



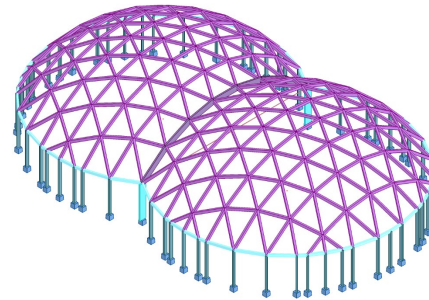
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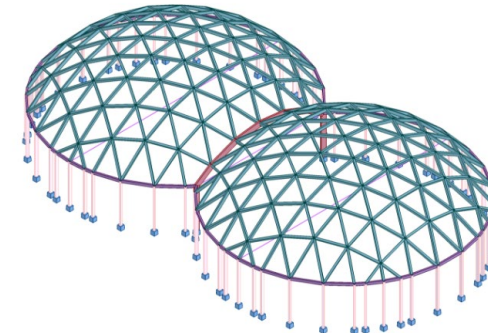
Pitched Roof



Dome Arrangement A



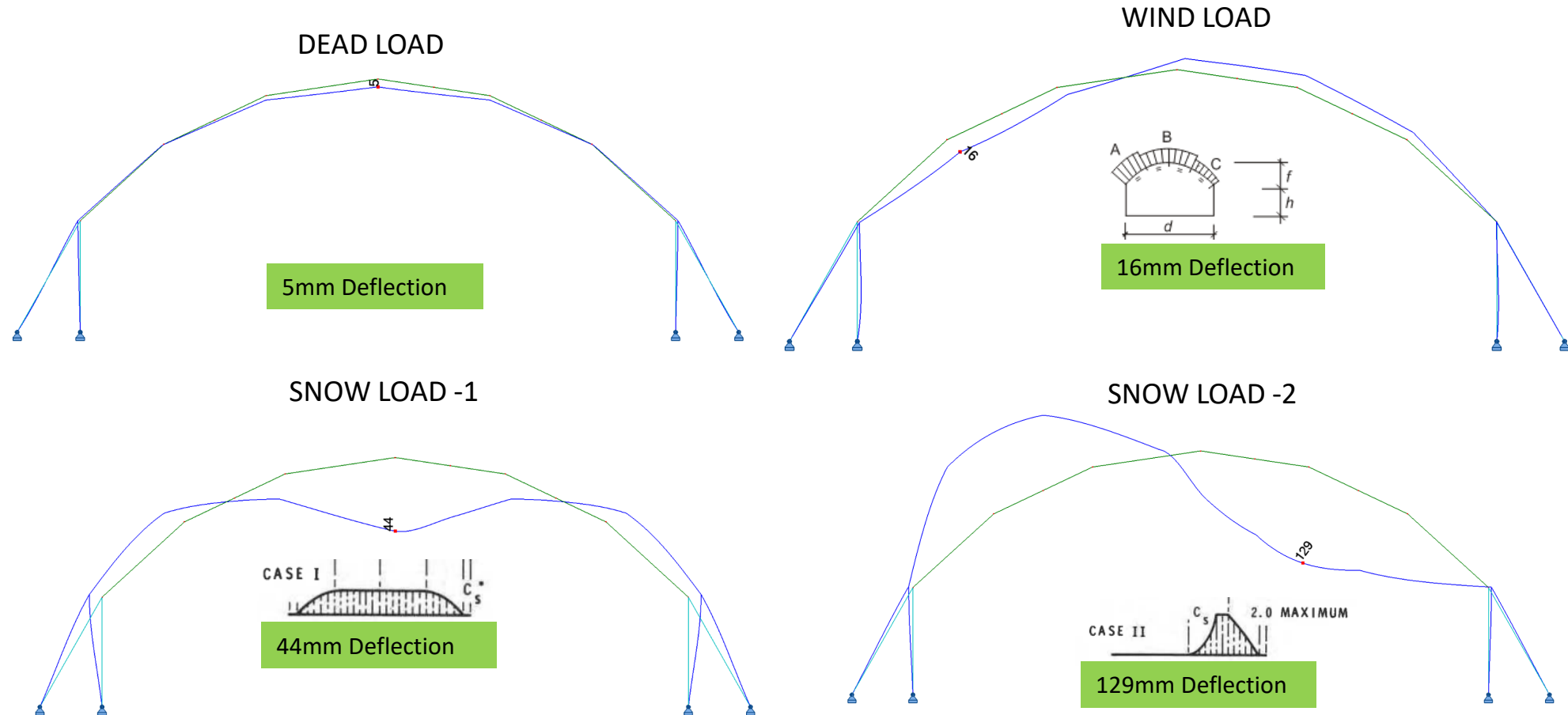
Dome Arrangement B



### 3. Comparison Exercise

#### 3.3 Barrel Arch – Propped and Released

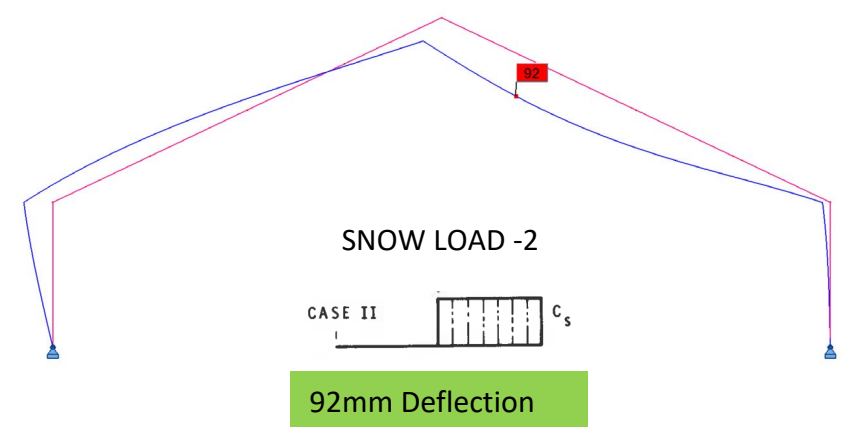
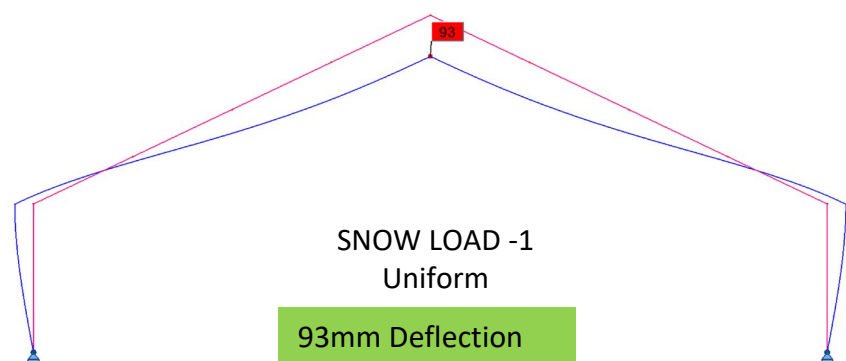
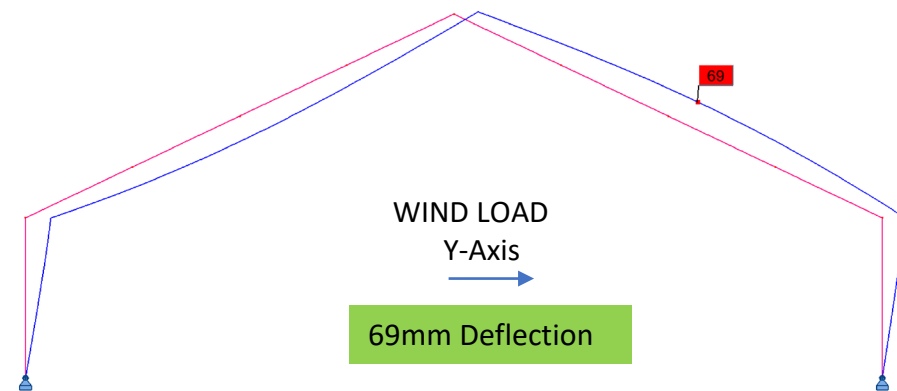
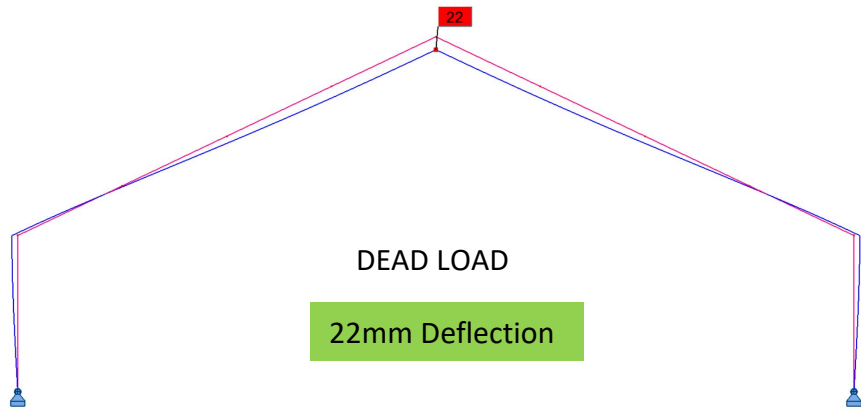
##### 3.3.4.2 Deflection cases



### 3. Comparison Exercise

#### 3.4 Portal

##### 3.4.4.2 Deflection Cases

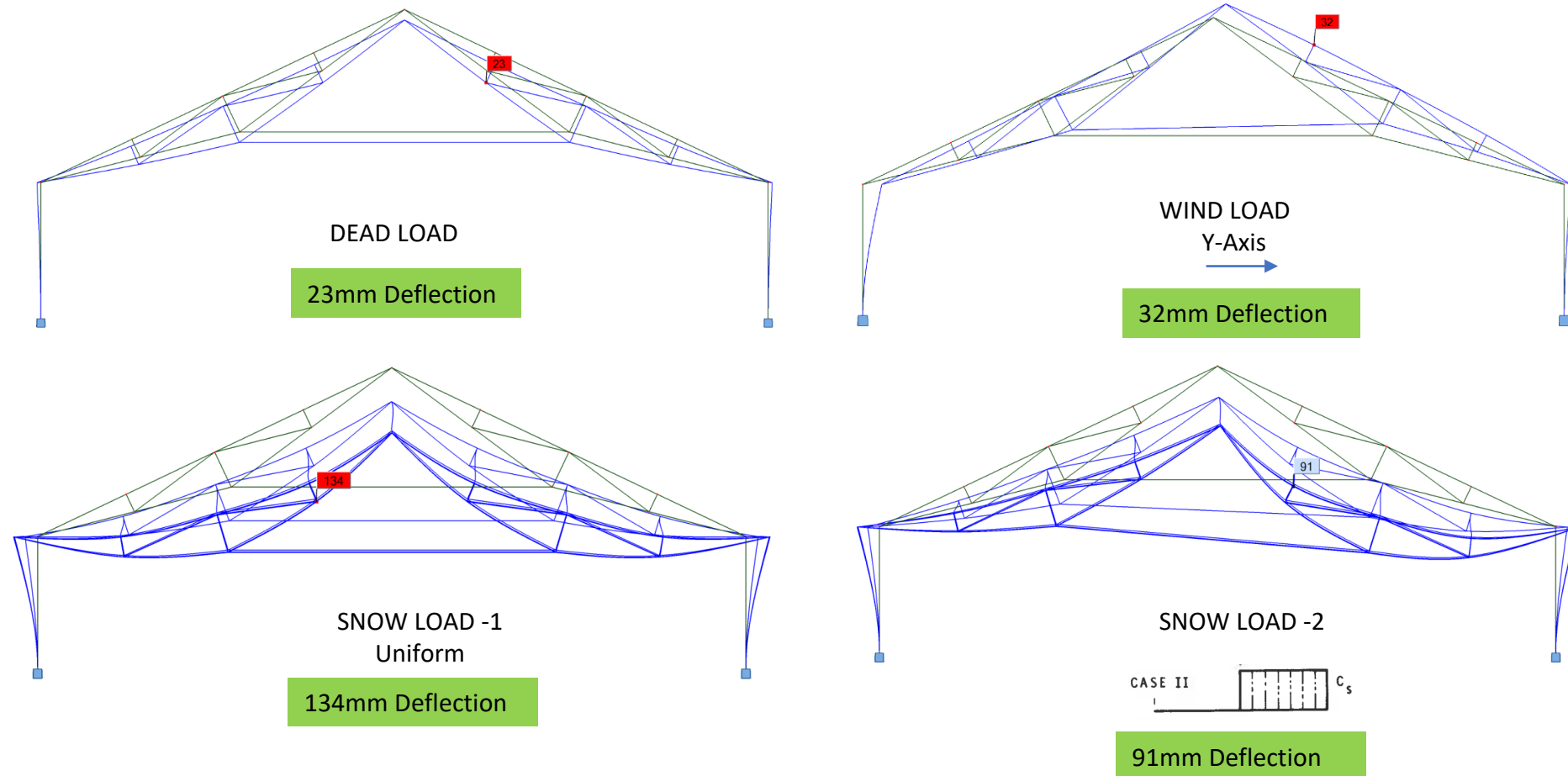




### 3. Comparison Exercise

#### 3.5 Pitched Roof

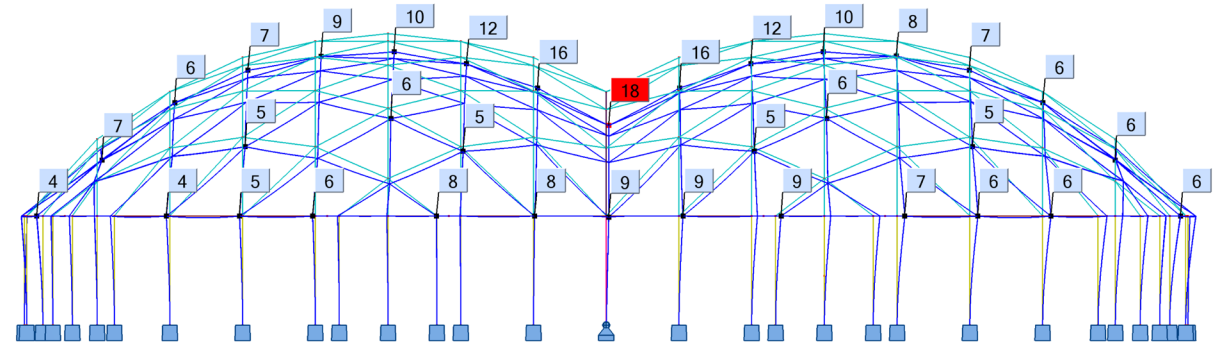
##### 3.5.4.2 Deflection Cases



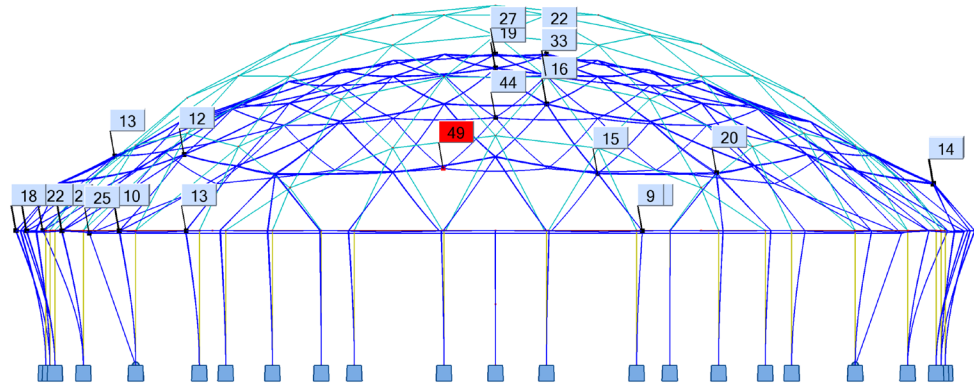
### 3. Comparison Exercise

#### 3.6 Domed Roof – Pinned Internal Dome A

##### 3.6.4.2 Deflection Cases



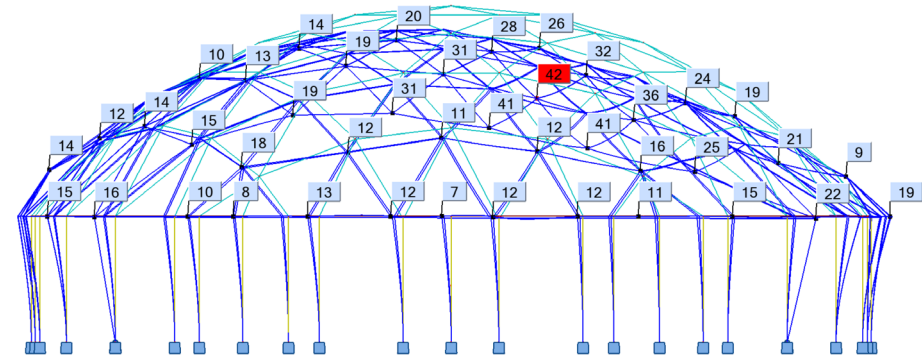
DEAD LOAD  
18mm



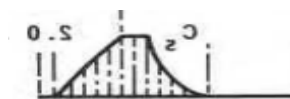
SNOW LOAD -1  
Uniform



49mm

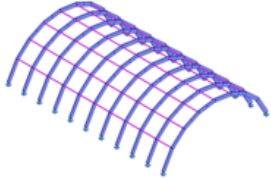
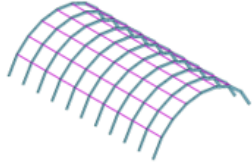
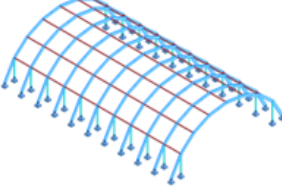
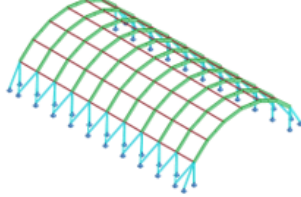
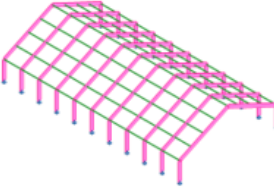
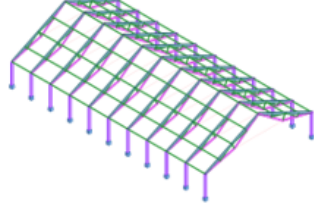


SNOW LOAD -2  
Asymmetric



42mm

## 4. Comparison Summary

Scenario	1. Barrel Arch – No Prop			2. Barrel Arch – Prop			3. Barrel Arch – Propped and Released			4. Portal			5. Pitched Roof					
	1a. Deflection Limit: L/200			1b. Deflection Limit: None														
																		
Section Sizes	Arch	1000 x 300	U: 0.54	Arch	800 x 200	U: 0.98	Arch	800 x 200	U:0.97	Arch	850 x 200	U:0.93	Beams	1100 x 200	U: 0.79	Top Chord	600 x 200	U: 0.76
							Column	400 x 200	U:0.38	Column	400 x 200	U:0.98	Columns	1100 x 200	U:0.98	Bottom Chord	400 x 200	U: 0.98
										Back Props	400 x 200	U:0.95				Truss Members	200 x 200	U: 0.24
																Tie	89.3 CHS	U: 0.86
Total Volume	231 m <sup>3</sup>			117 m <sup>3</sup>			128 m <sup>3</sup>			133 m <sup>3</sup>			144 m <sup>3</sup>			173 m <sup>3</sup>		
Deflection Envelope	85mm L/211			309mm L/58.25			104mm L/200			129mm L/162			93mm L/354			132mm L/250		
Additional notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective length = 0.85L</li> <li>All joints fixed</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective length = 0.85L</li> <li>All joints fixed</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective length = 0.85L</li> <li>Arch joints fixed; column joint pinned</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective length = 0.85L</li> <li>Arch joints fixed; column joint pinned, back prop joint pinned</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective length = 0.85L</li> <li>Lateral restraints taken at 2.3m centres</li> <li>All joints fixed</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective length = L</li> <li>All joints pinned</li> <li>Lateral restraints for top chord taken at 2.3m centres</li> </ul>		

## 4. Comparison Summary

Scenario	6. Pinned Domes			7. Fixed Domes			8. Fixed Domed – Internal Props											
	6a. Arrangement A		6b. Arrangement B		7a. Arrangement A		7b. Arrangement B		8a. Arrangement A		8b. Arrangement B							
Section Sizes	CENTRAL ARCH	800 X 200	U:0.82	CENTRAL ARCH	950 X 250	U:0.91	CENTRAL ARCH	900 x 250	U:0.79	CENTRAL ARCH	900 x 250	0.88	CENTRAL ARCH	250 X 200	0.33	CENTRAL ARCH	250 X 200	0.24
	INTERNAL DOME STRUCTURE	350 X 250	U:0.93	INTERNAL DOME STRUCTURE	300 x 250	U:0.93	INTERNAL DOME STRUCTURE	250 X 250	U:0.75	INTERNAL DOME STRUCTURE	250 X 250	0.98	INTERNAL DOME STRUCTURE	250 X 200	0.75	INTERNAL DOME STRUCTURE	250 X 200	0.74
	RING BEAM	200 X 200	U:0.43	RING BEAM	200 x 200	U:0.49	RING BEAM	200 X 200	U:0.23	RING BEAM	200 X 200	0.49	RING BEAM	200 X 200	0.23	RING BEAM	200 X 200	0.24
	CENTRAL COLUMN	800 X 250	U:0.81	CENTRAL COLUMN	600 x 200	U:0.83	CENTRAL COLUMN	600 x 200	U:0.74	CENTRAL COLUMN	600 x 200	0.9	CENTRAL COLUMN	300 X 300	0.28	CENTRAL COLUMN	300 X 300	0.40
	PERIMETER COLUMNS	400 X 200	U:0.34	PERIMETER COLUMNS	400 x 200	U:0.4	PERIMETER COLUMNS	400 x 200	U:0.32	PERIMETER COLUMNS	400 x 200	0.38	PERIMETER COLUMNS	400 X 200	0.98	PERIMETER COLUMNS	400 X 200	0.82
Total Volume	Internal Dome – 133 m <sup>3</sup> Central Arch – 5 m <sup>3</sup> Ring Beam – 6.25 m <sup>3</sup> Columns - 27 m <sup>3</sup>		Internal Dome – 127 m <sup>3</sup> Central Arch - 5 m <sup>3</sup> Ring Beam – 7 m <sup>3</sup> Columns - 34 m <sup>3</sup>		Internal Dome – 95 m <sup>3</sup> Central Arch - 5m <sup>3</sup> Ring Beam – 6.25 m <sup>3</sup> Columns – 29.5 m <sup>3</sup>		Internal Dome - 105 m <sup>3</sup> Central Arch - 5 m <sup>3</sup> Ring Beam - 7 m <sup>3</sup> Columns - 34 m <sup>3</sup>		Internal Dome - 78 m <sup>3</sup> Ring Beam – 6.25 m <sup>3</sup> Columns - 31 m <sup>3</sup>		Internal Dome – 92.7 m <sup>3</sup> Ring Beam - 7 m <sup>3</sup> Columns - 38 m <sup>3</sup>							
Deflection Envelope	53mm L/530		54mm L/518		53mm L/530		42mm L/666		42mm L/666		47mm L/595							
Additional notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective length = L</li> <li>Internal dome joints are pinned</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective length = L</li> <li>Internal dome joints are pinned</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective length = 0.7L</li> <li>All internal dome joints fixed</li> <li>Connection to central arch pinned</li> <li>Connection to ring beam pinned</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective length = 0.7L</li> <li>All internal dome joints fixed</li> <li>Connection to central arch pinned</li> <li>Connection to ring beam pinned</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective length = 0.7L</li> <li>All internal dome joints fixed</li> <li>Connection to columns fixed</li> <li>Connection to ring beam pinned</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective length = 0.7L</li> <li>All internal dome joints fixed</li> <li>Connection to columns fixed</li> <li>Connection to ring beam pinned</li> </ul>							



