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*structural design and development for CNC-milled construction*

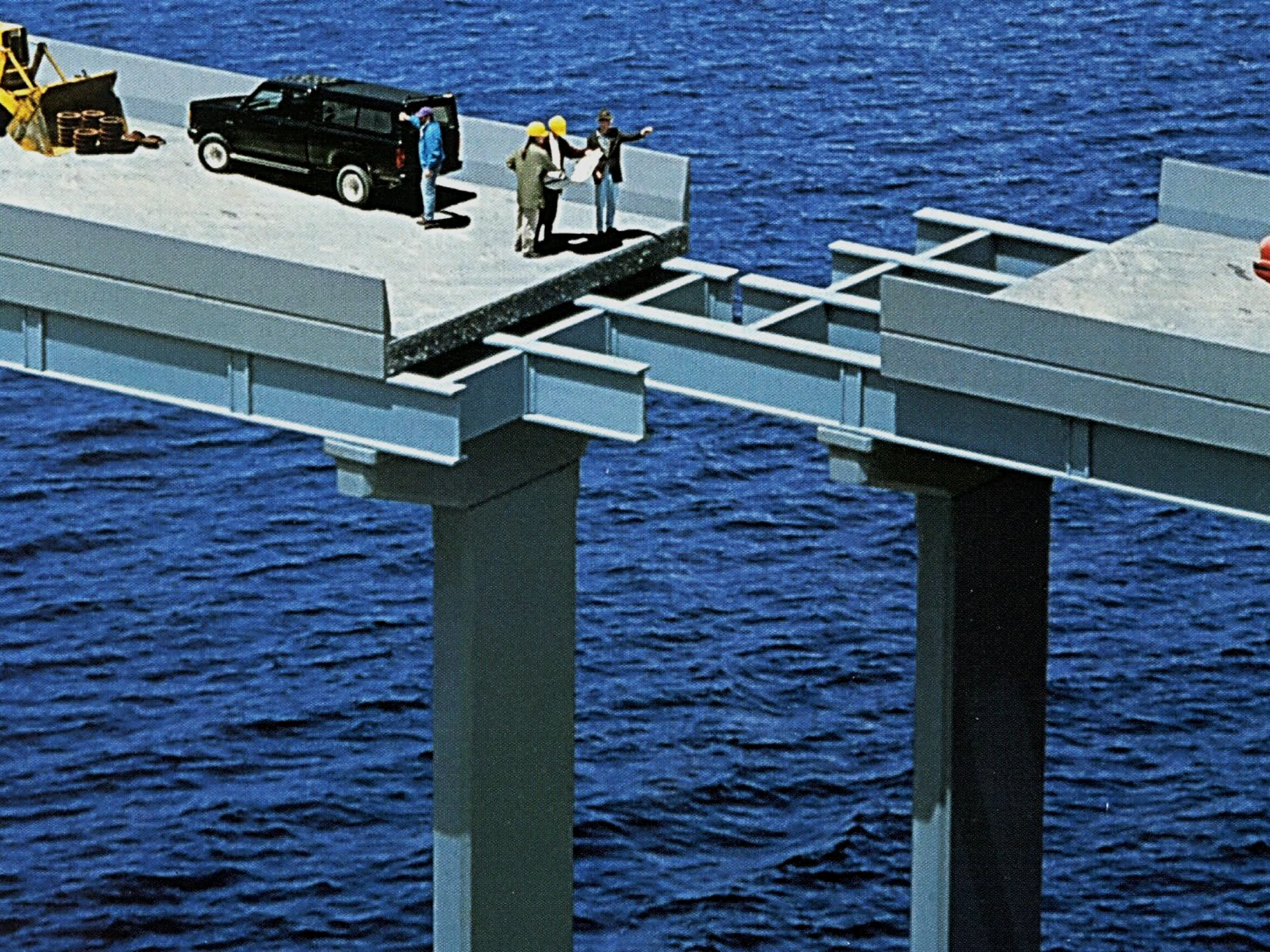


# 01

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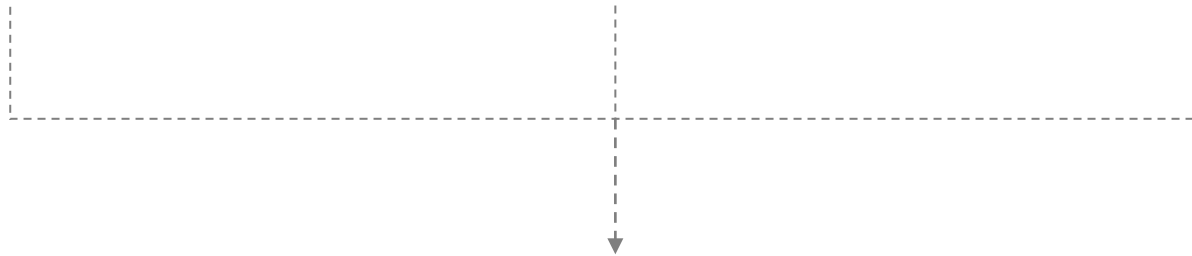
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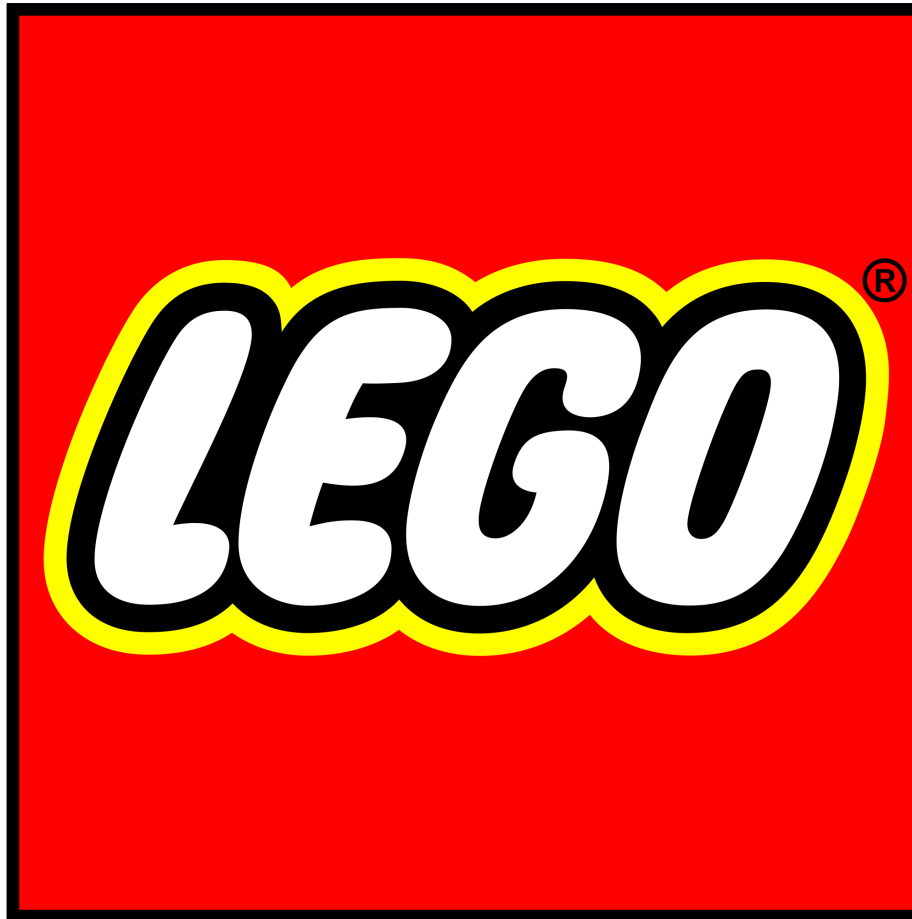
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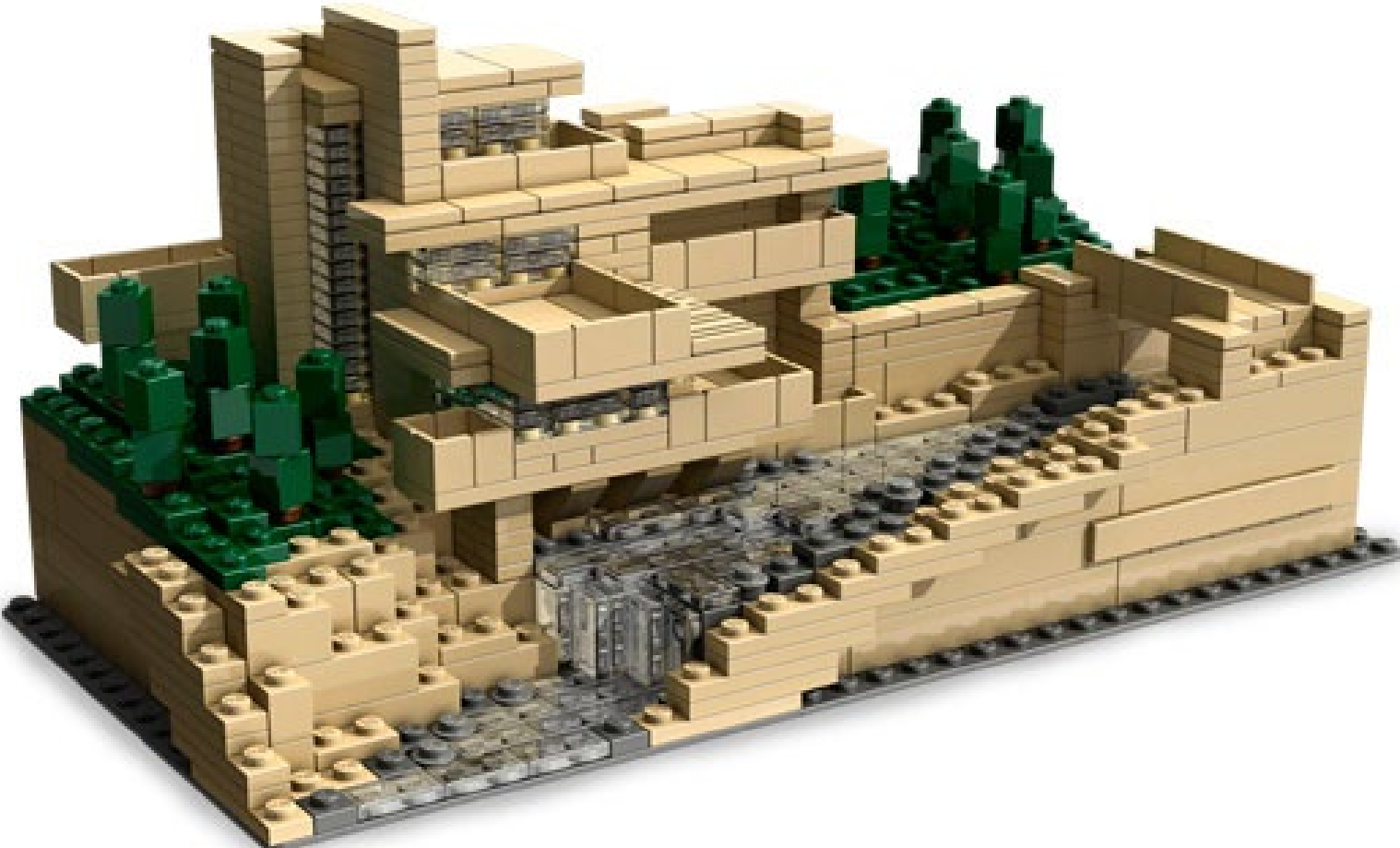


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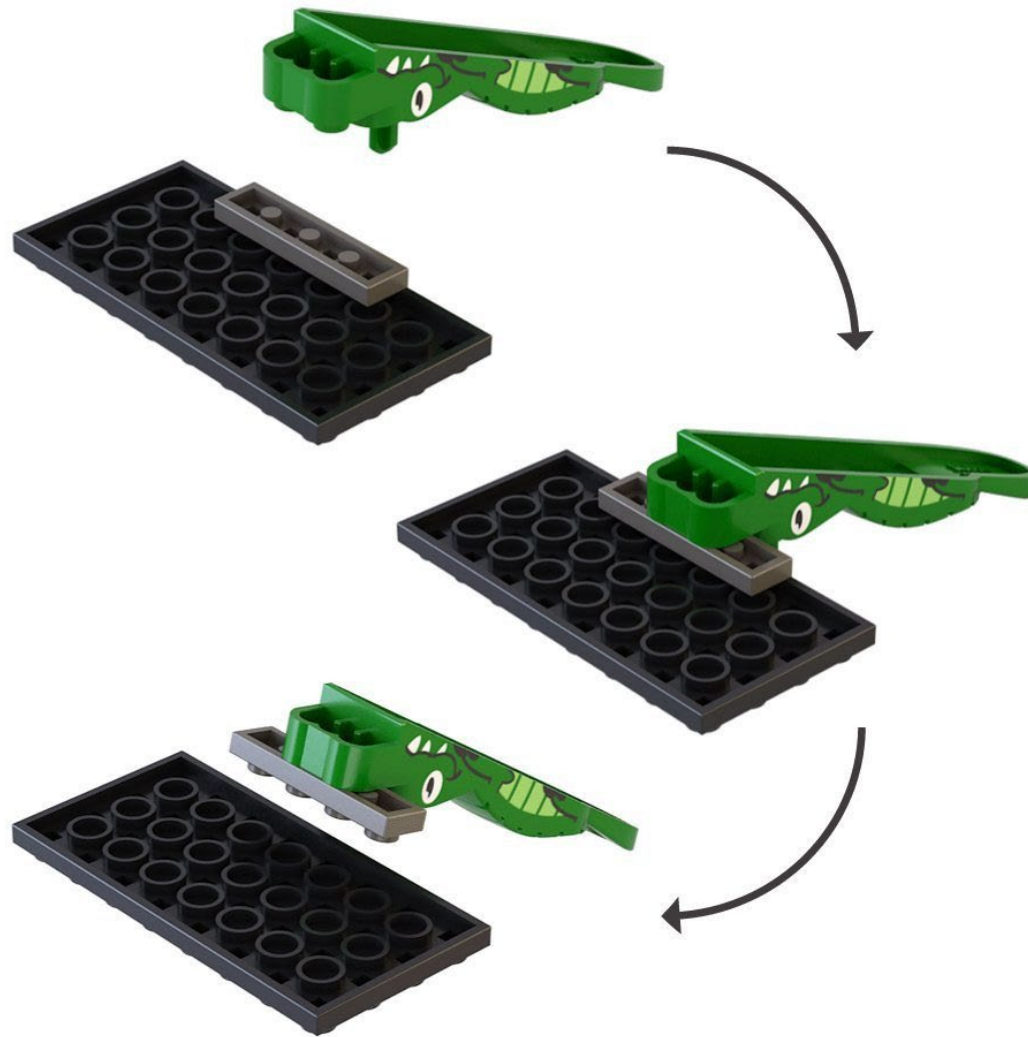




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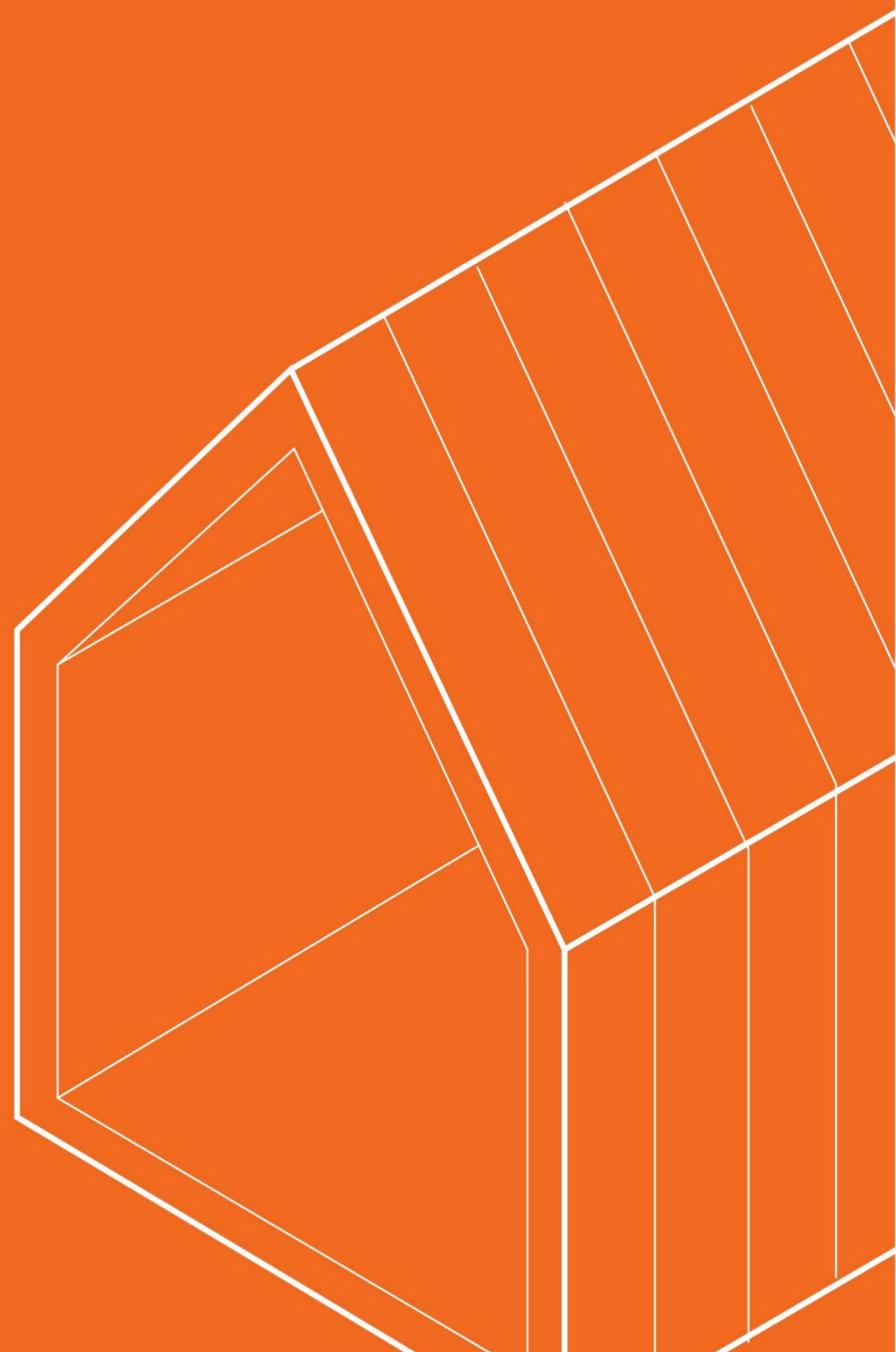


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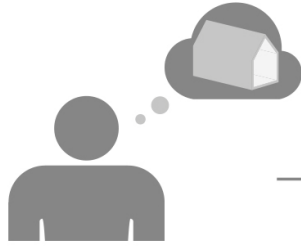
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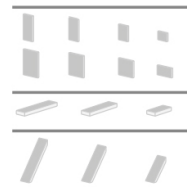
# PD-LAB / FABFIELD



## DESIGN



1. DESIGN



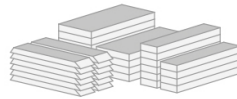
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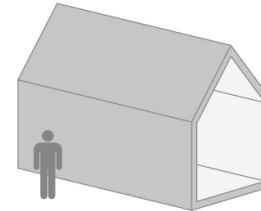
3. CONFIGURE BLOCK



4. MILL PLATES

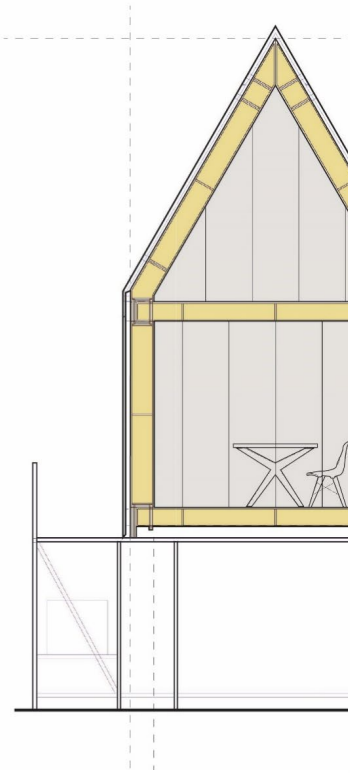


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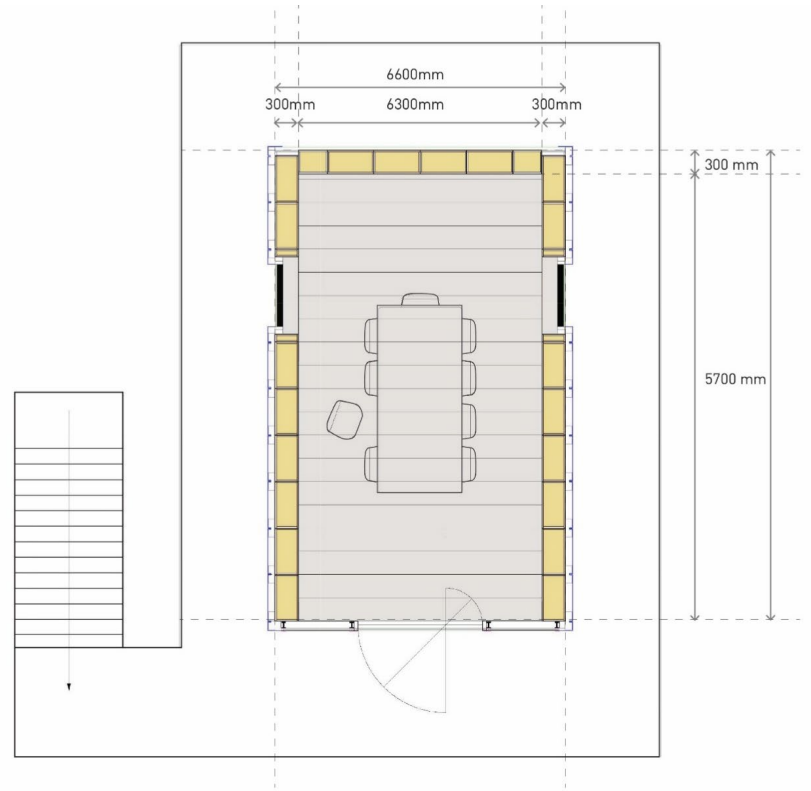


6. ASSEMBLE BUILDING

## PRODUCTION



Section



Plan







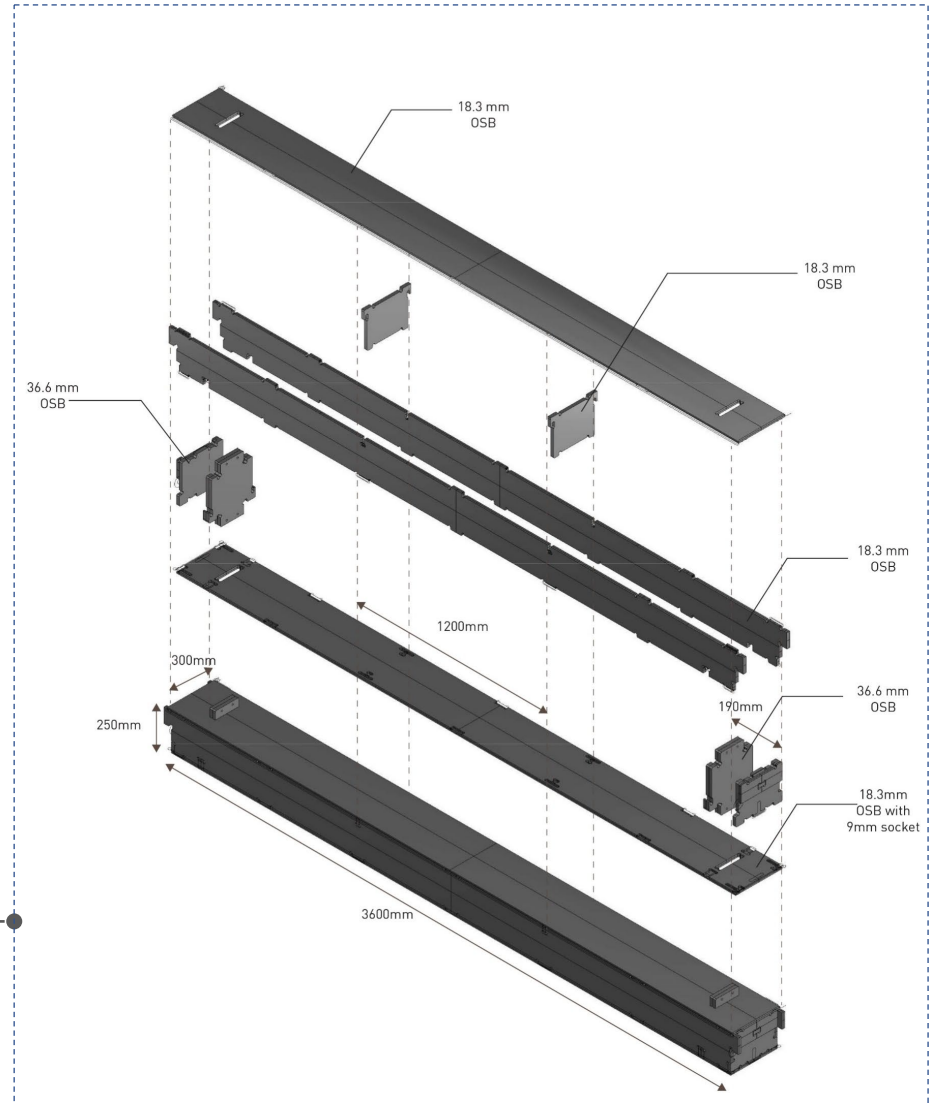
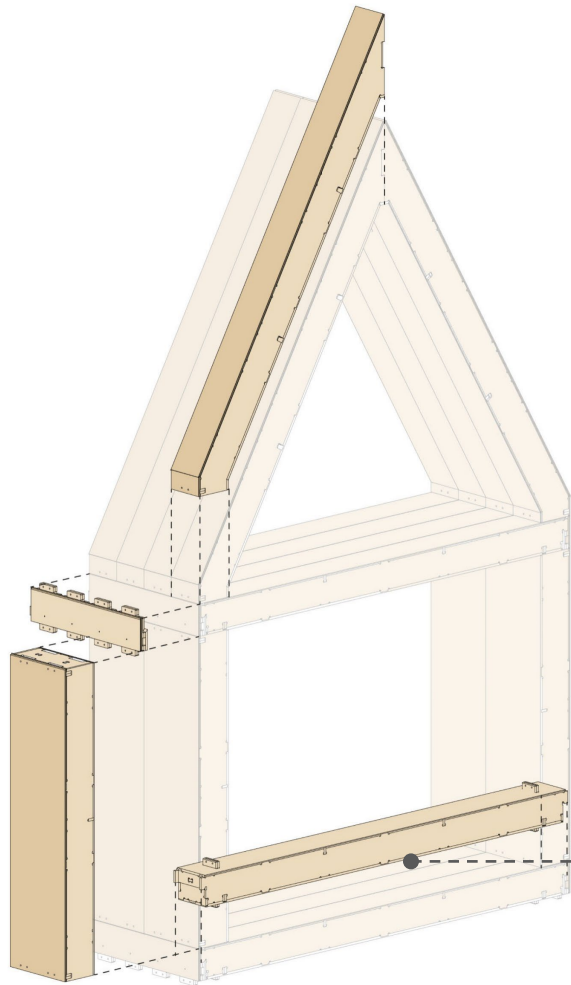




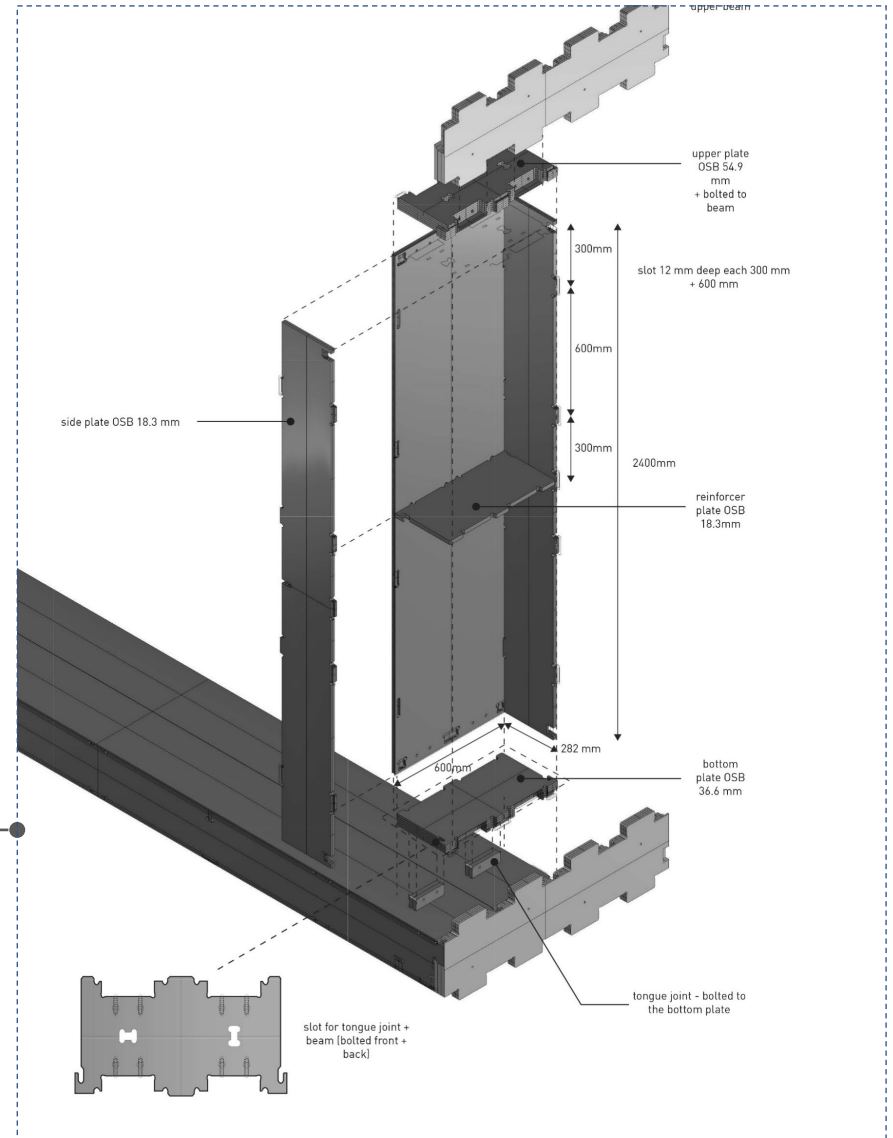
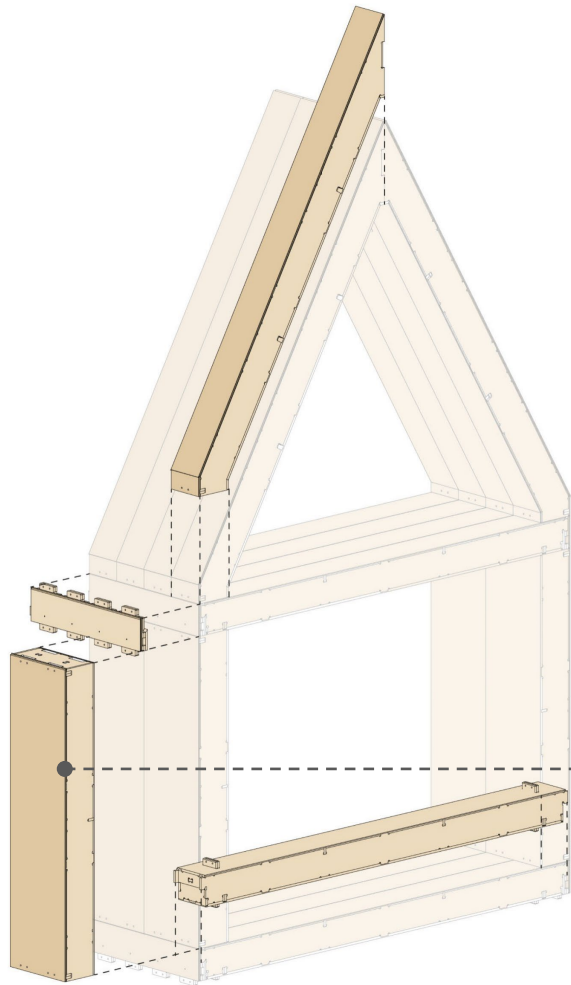




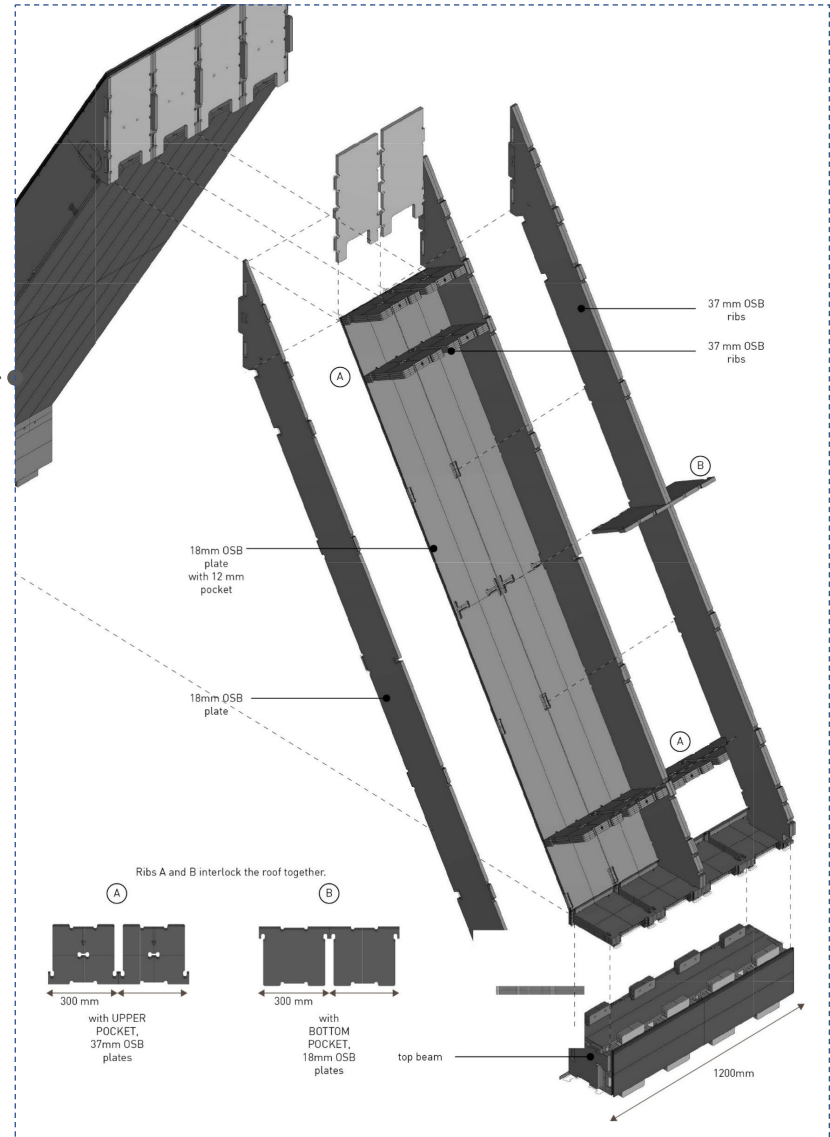
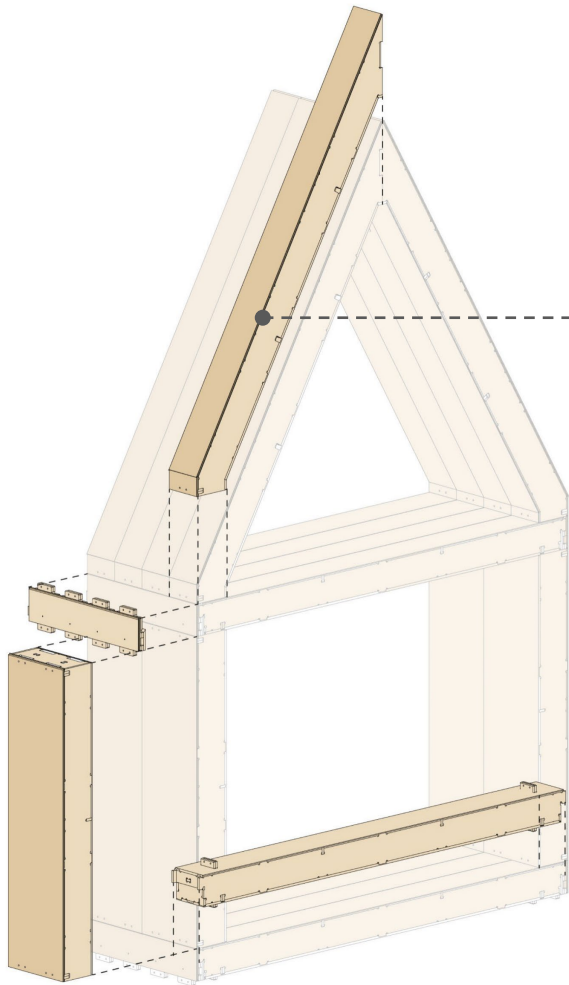
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# Wall block

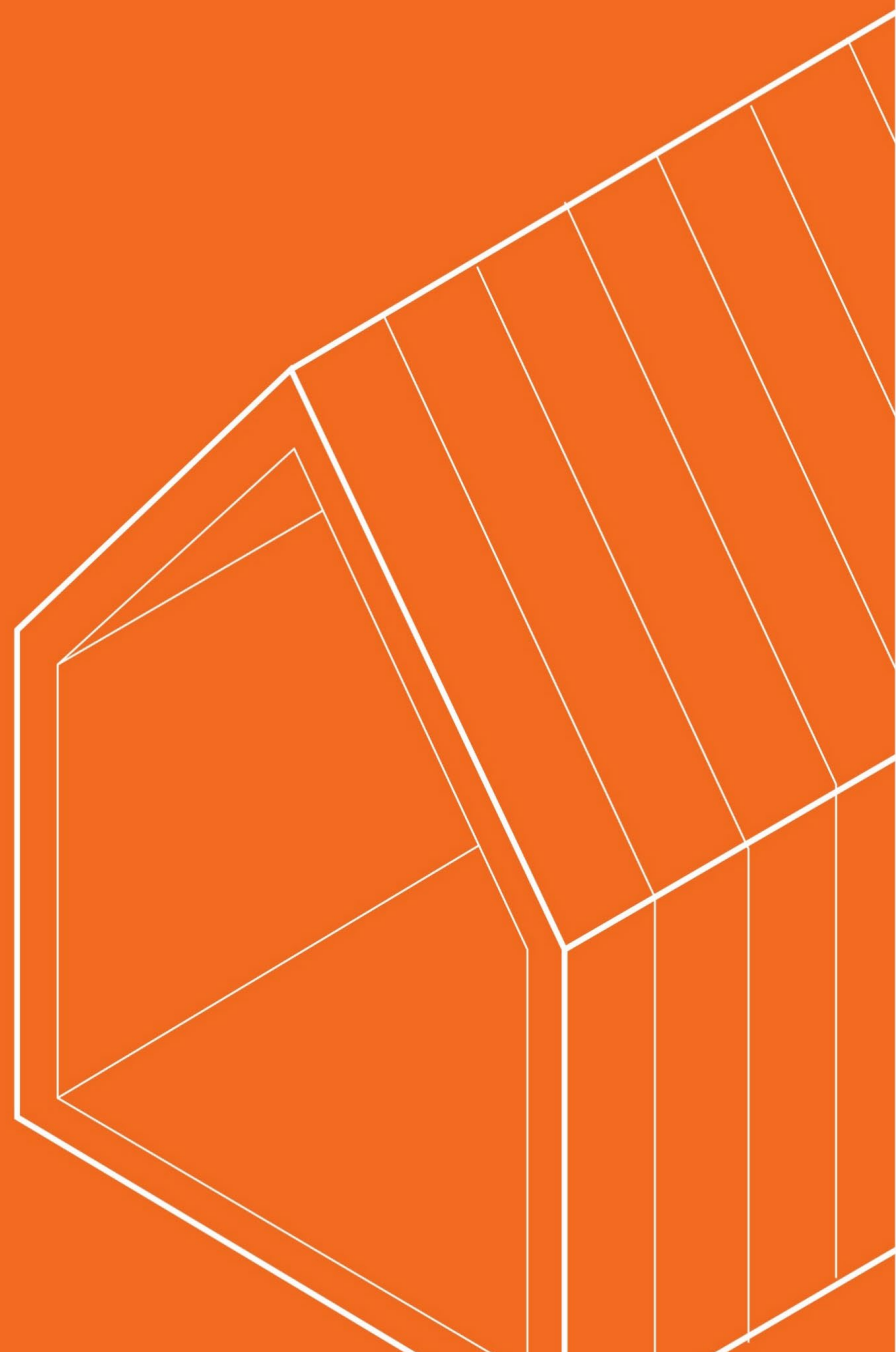


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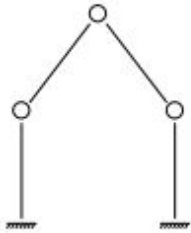
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*problem statement*

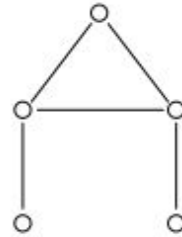




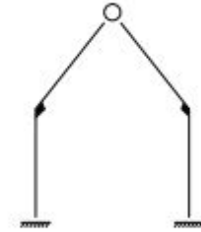
# Original hypothesis



Bottom fixed



All hinged



All fixed



Maximum freedom of design



Concentrated force

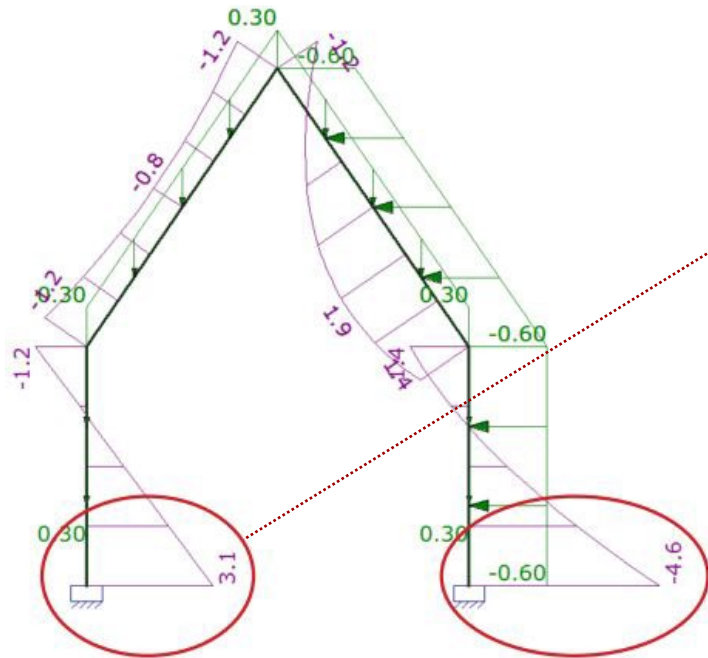
No complex connection

Less freedom of design

Maximum freedom of design

Oversizing

# Original hypothesis



$$M = F(\text{force}) * a(\text{distance})$$

Tensile strength inside the connection

$M_{\text{max inside}} : 3.1 \text{ kNm}$

$A : 300 \text{ mm (width of the block)} = 0.3 \text{ m}$

$F = M/a = 3.1/0.3 = 10.33 \text{ kN}$

Divided over 2 connections : 5.17 kN per joint

Tensile strength outside the connection

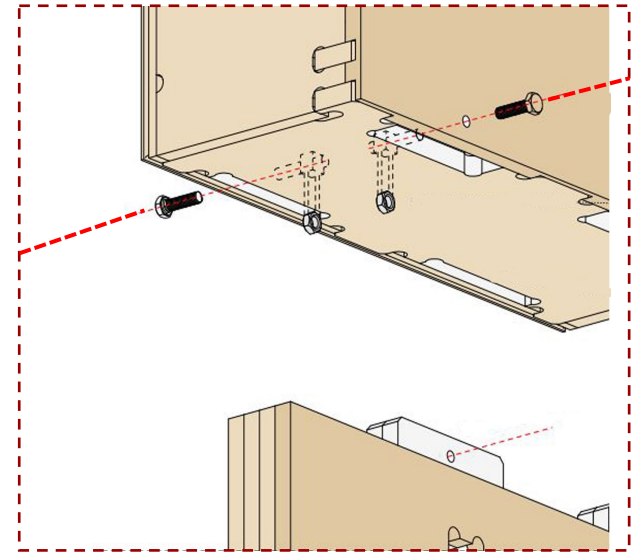
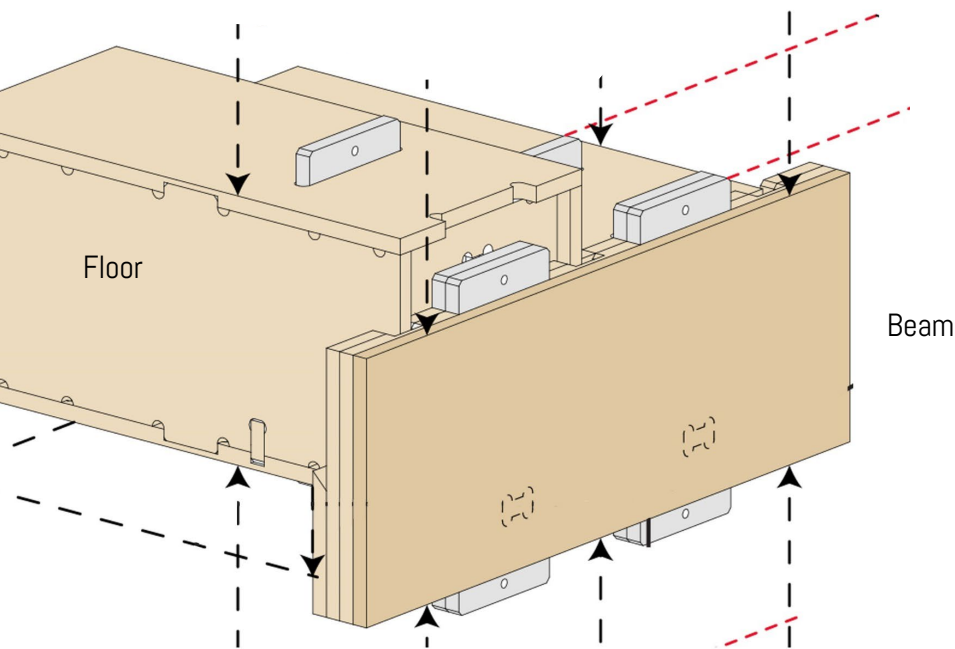
$M_{\text{max outside}} : 4.6 \text{ kNm}$

$A : 300 \text{ mm} = 0.3 \text{ m}$

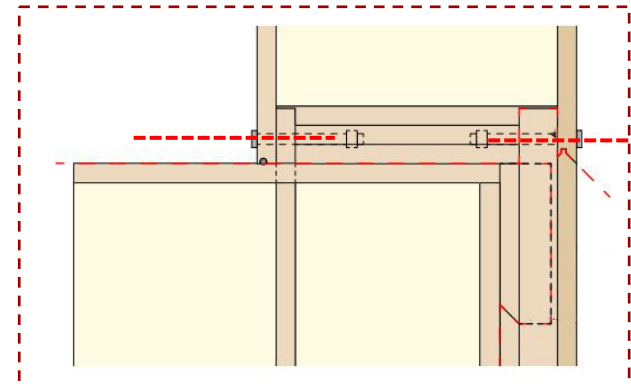
$F = M/a = 4.6 / 0.3 = 15.33 \text{ kN}$

Divided over 2 connections : 7.67 kN per joint

# Connection

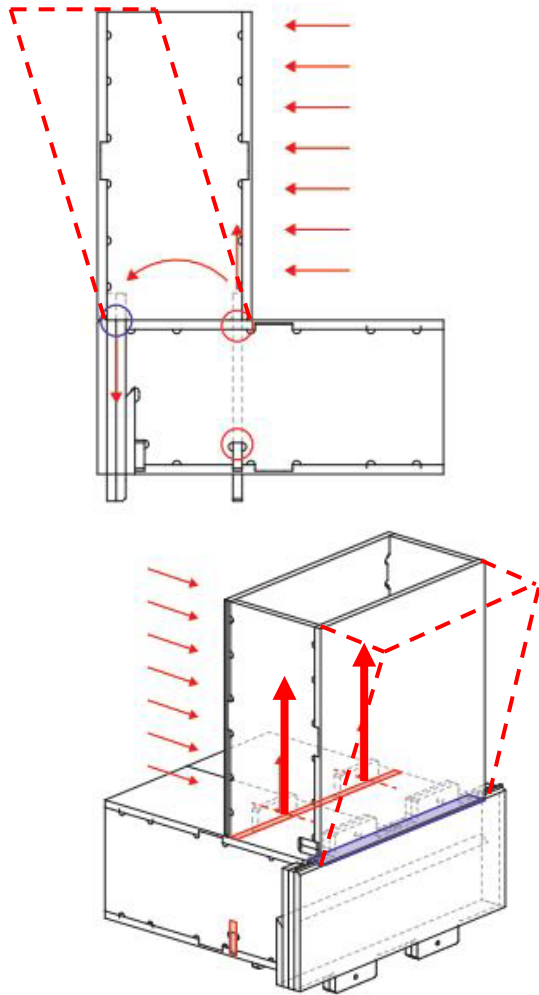


M10 bolt compression on OSB = area \* max. stress  
area = 628 mm<sup>2</sup>  
628 \* 3.5 = 2.2 kN  
so 7.7/2.2 = 3.5 (4 connections needed)

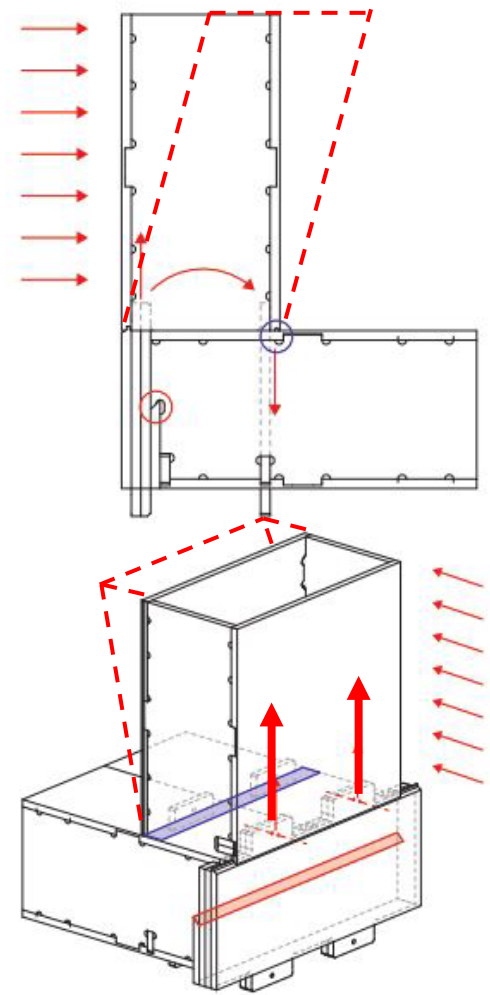


(Van der Knaap, 2016)

# Original hypothesis

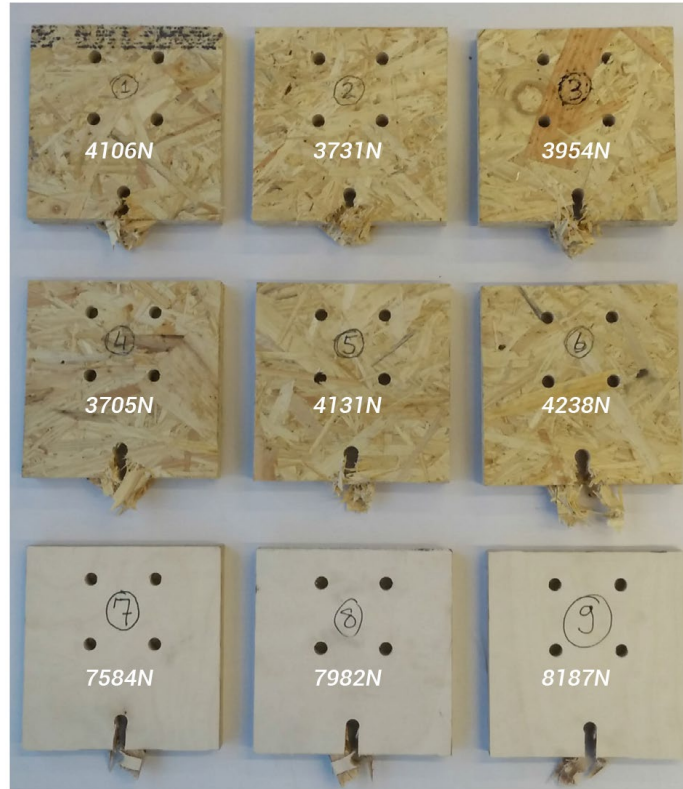


Tensile force of the bolt in the notch counteract the moment



(Van der Knaap , 2016)

# Original hypothesis : Material test



M10 18mm OSB

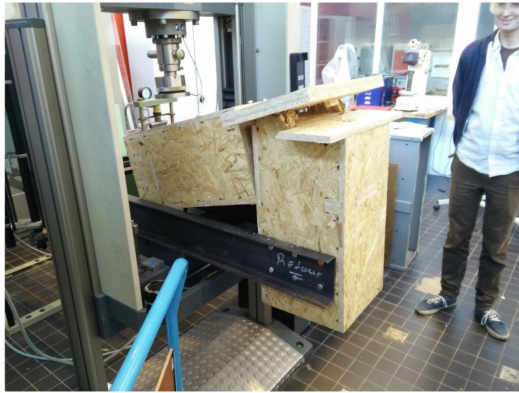
M12 18mm OSB

M10 18mm plywood

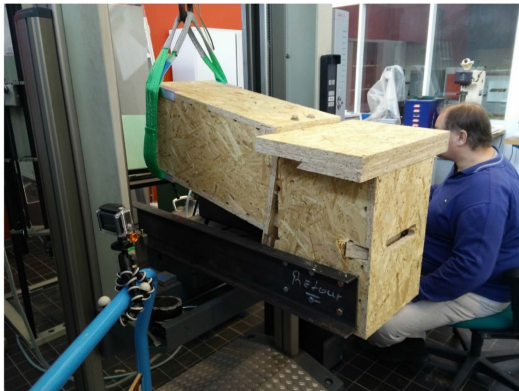
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# Original hypothesis : Connection test

## Compression test

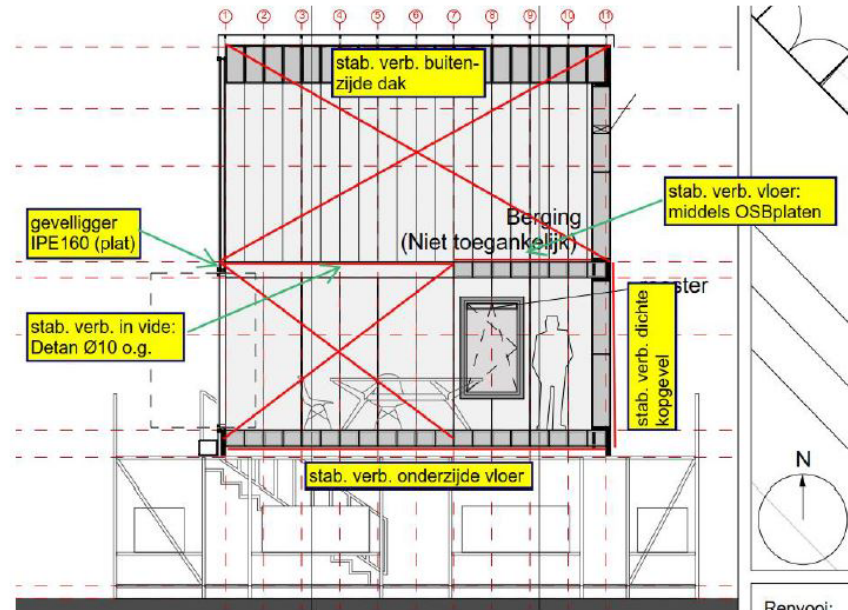
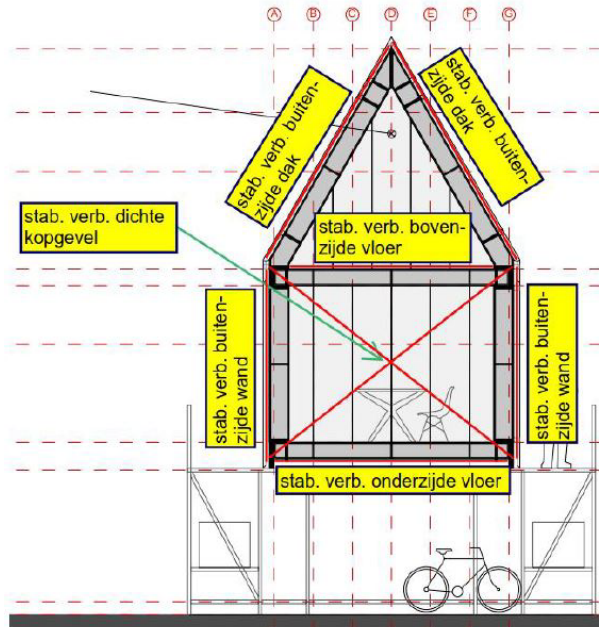


## Tension test





# Problem statement



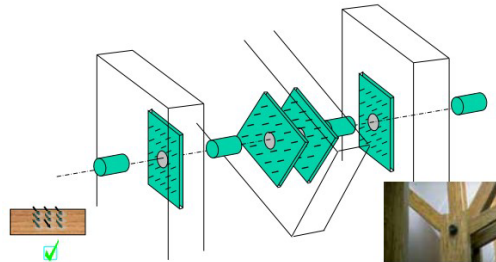
Luning BV, 2016





# Problem statement

Examples of fixed wood joint



## Re-calculation

Maximum moment : 4.6 kNm  
a : 200 mm (in reality) = 0.2 m  
 $F = M/a = 4.6 / 0.2 = 23 \text{ kN}$

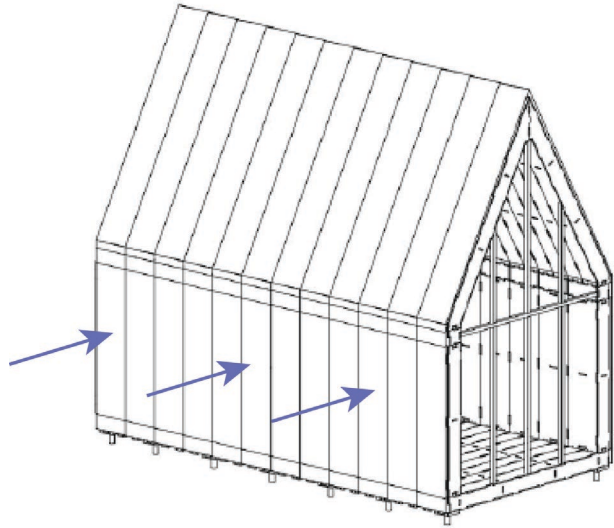
Divided into 2 connections :  
11.5 kN

After safety factor of 0.4 (friction coefficient between steel and wood) =  
16.1 kN / connection

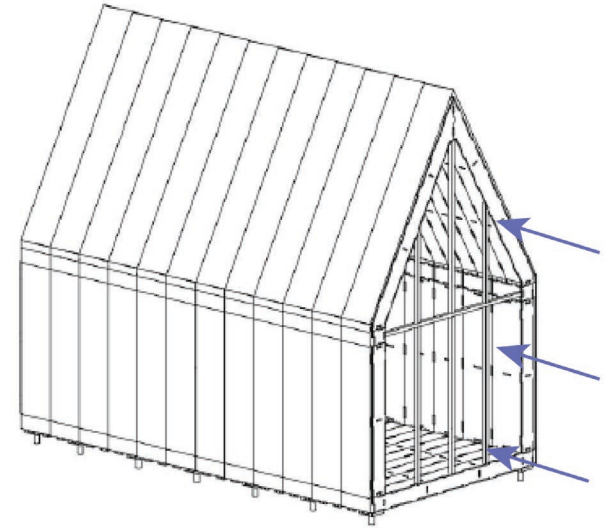
Max shear strength of 18 mm OSB against M10 bolt : 4 kN each.

**CONCLUSION :**  
Far from sufficient to be a fixed joint!

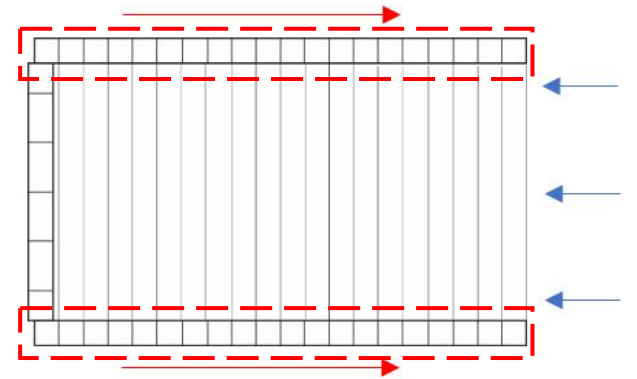
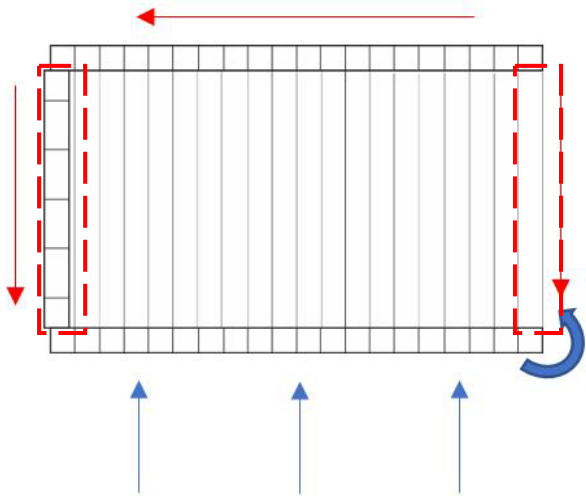
# Lateral force reaction



Y-axis



X-axis



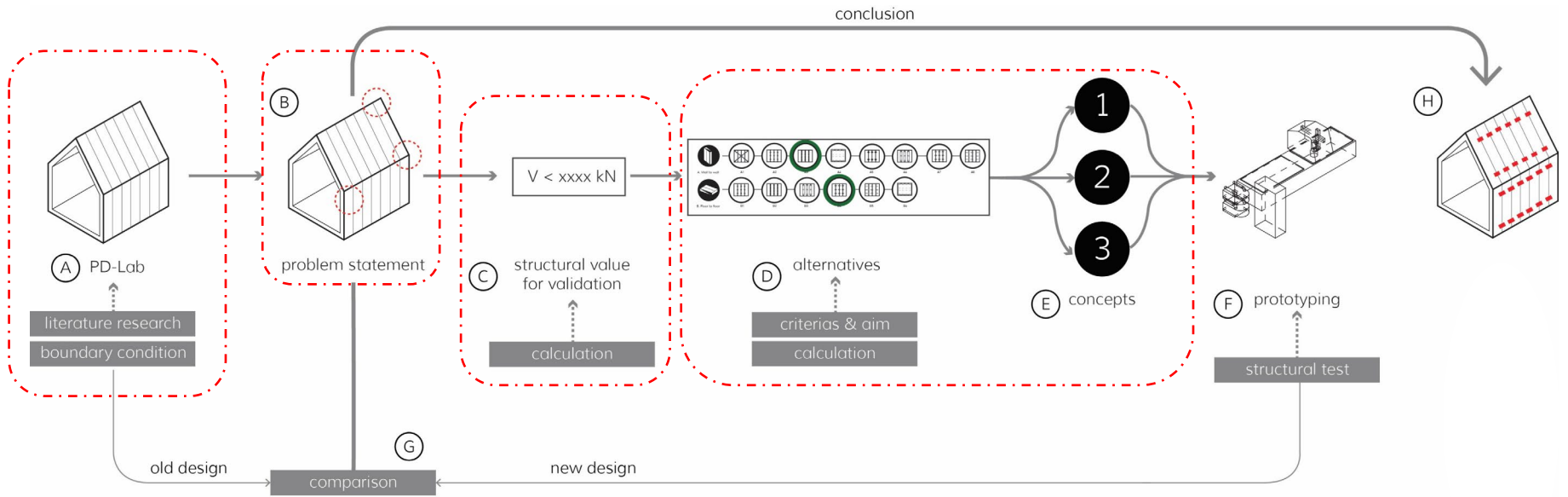




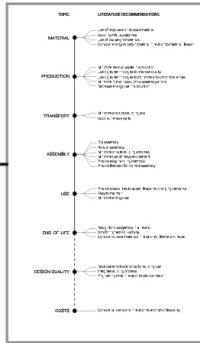
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*methodology*





RESEARCH



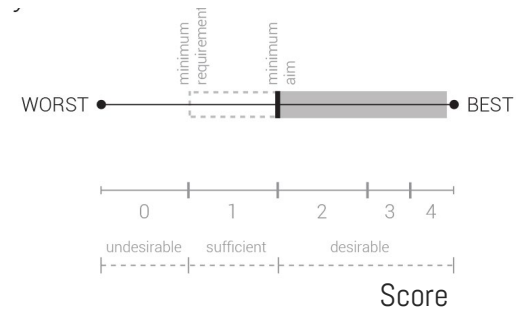
### SUSTAINABLE STRATEGIES

Strategies :

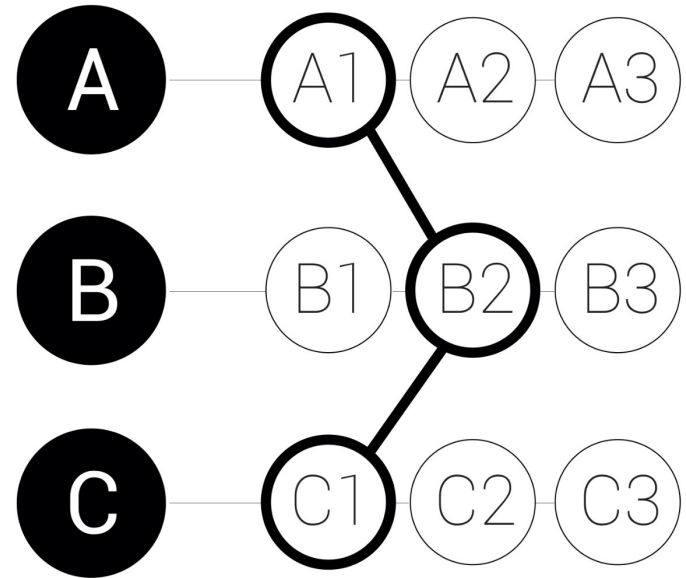
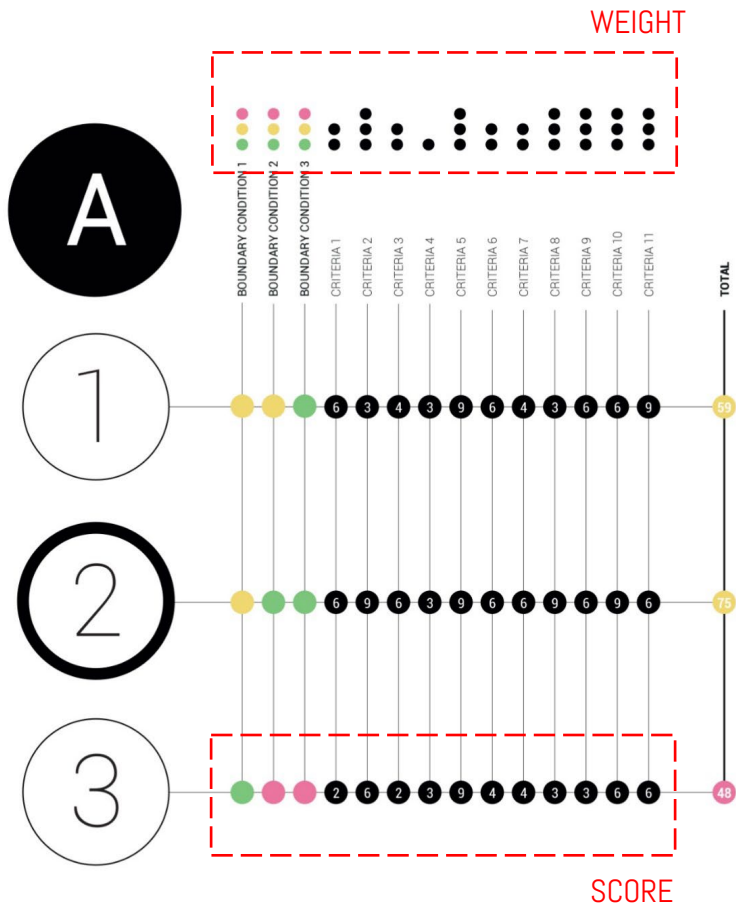
All the necessary goals related to the project, e.g. environmental aspect, end-of-life, production process, etc.

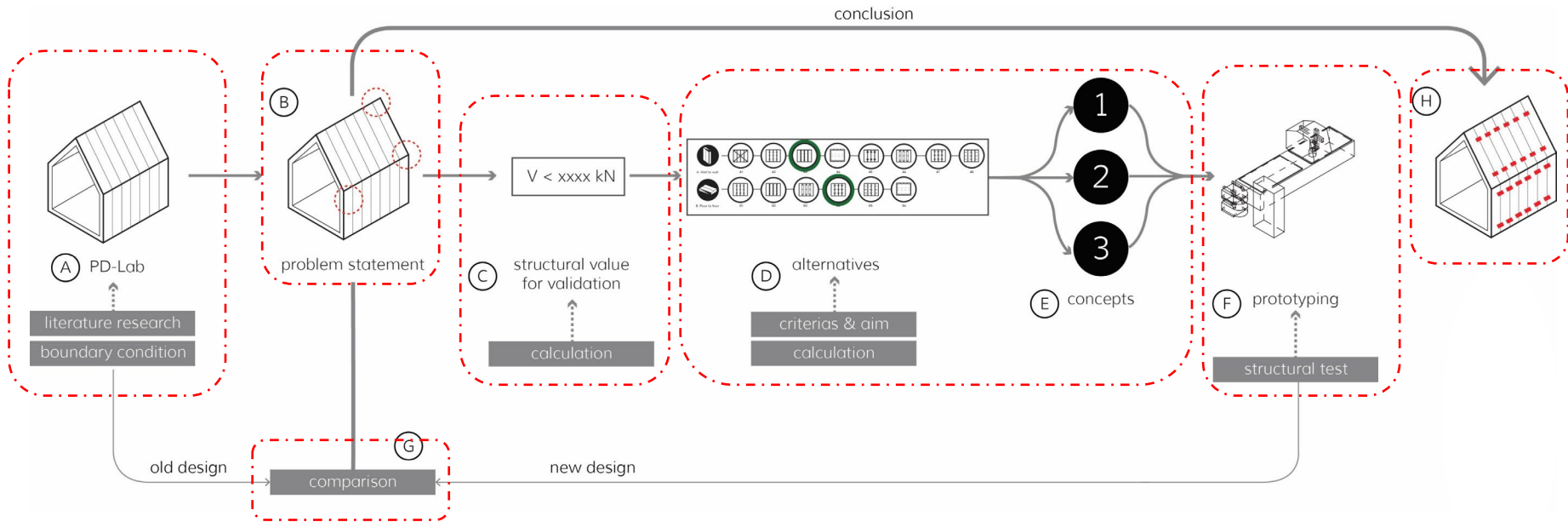
Requirement and ambitions :

By comparing all strategies individually, one can conclude from the most to the least important one. (weight)



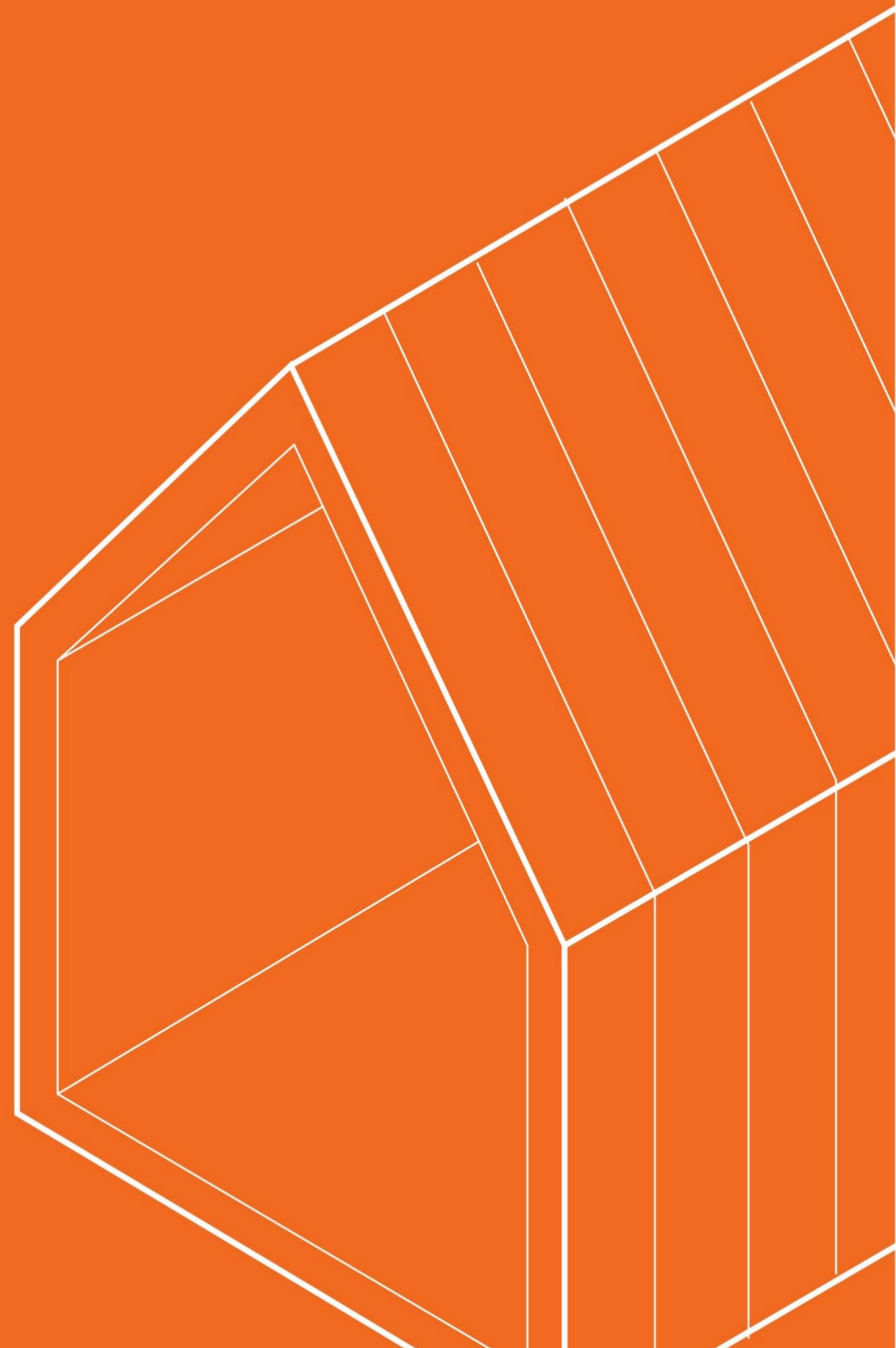






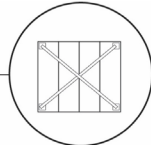
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*design development*

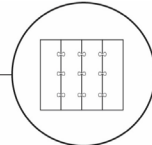




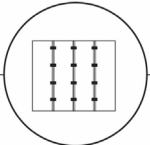
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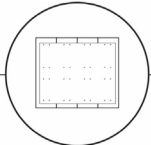
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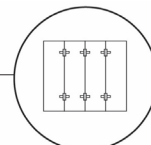
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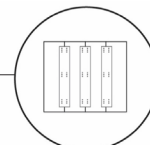
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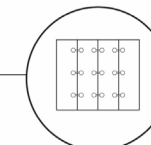
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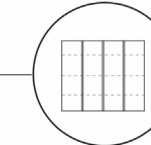
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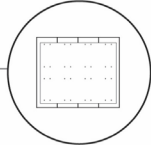
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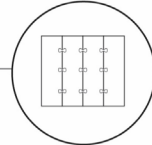
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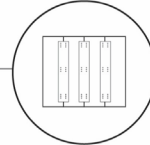
B. Floor to floor



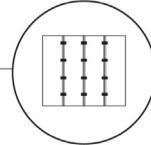
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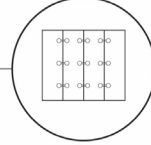
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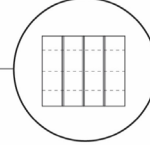
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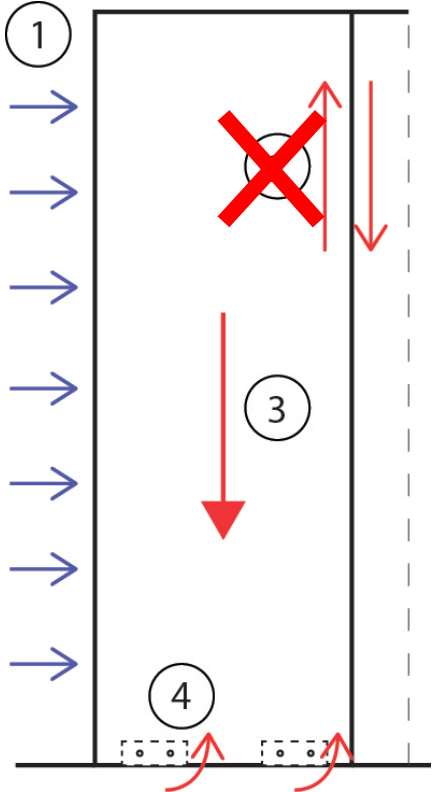
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# Structural Analysis

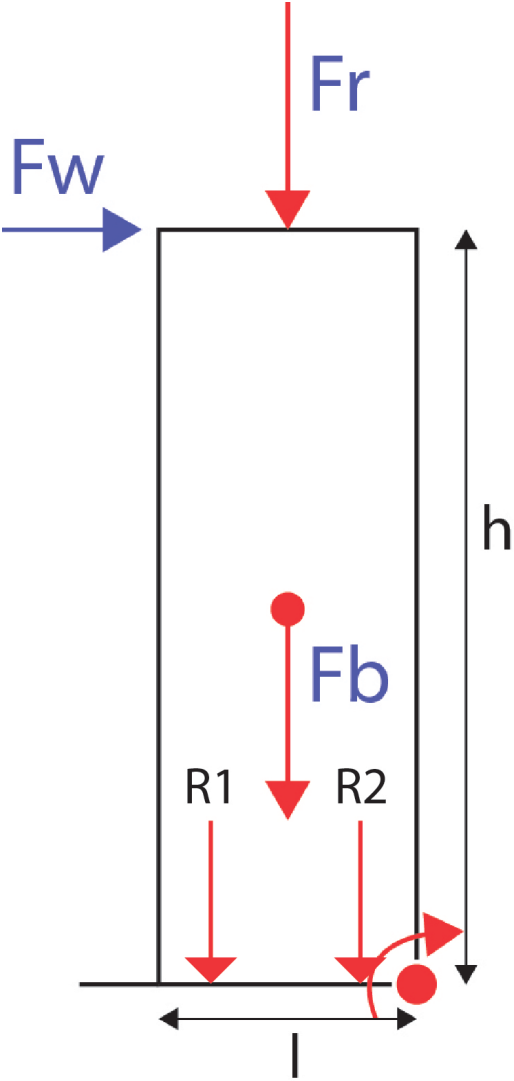
## Wall to wall connection



- 1. Wind force
- ~~2. Friction force~~
- 3. Self weight
- 4. Reaction force from bolts

# Structural Analysis

## Wall to wall connection



$F_w$  : wind force (31.65 kN)  
 $Fr$  : roof weight (0.5 kN)  
 $Fb$  : wall weight (0.5 kN)  
 $R1$  : reaction force (2 kN)

$H$  : height (2.7 m)  
 $L$  : length (0.6 m)

### Principle

Moment caused by all the reaction & weight forces > Moment caused by the wind

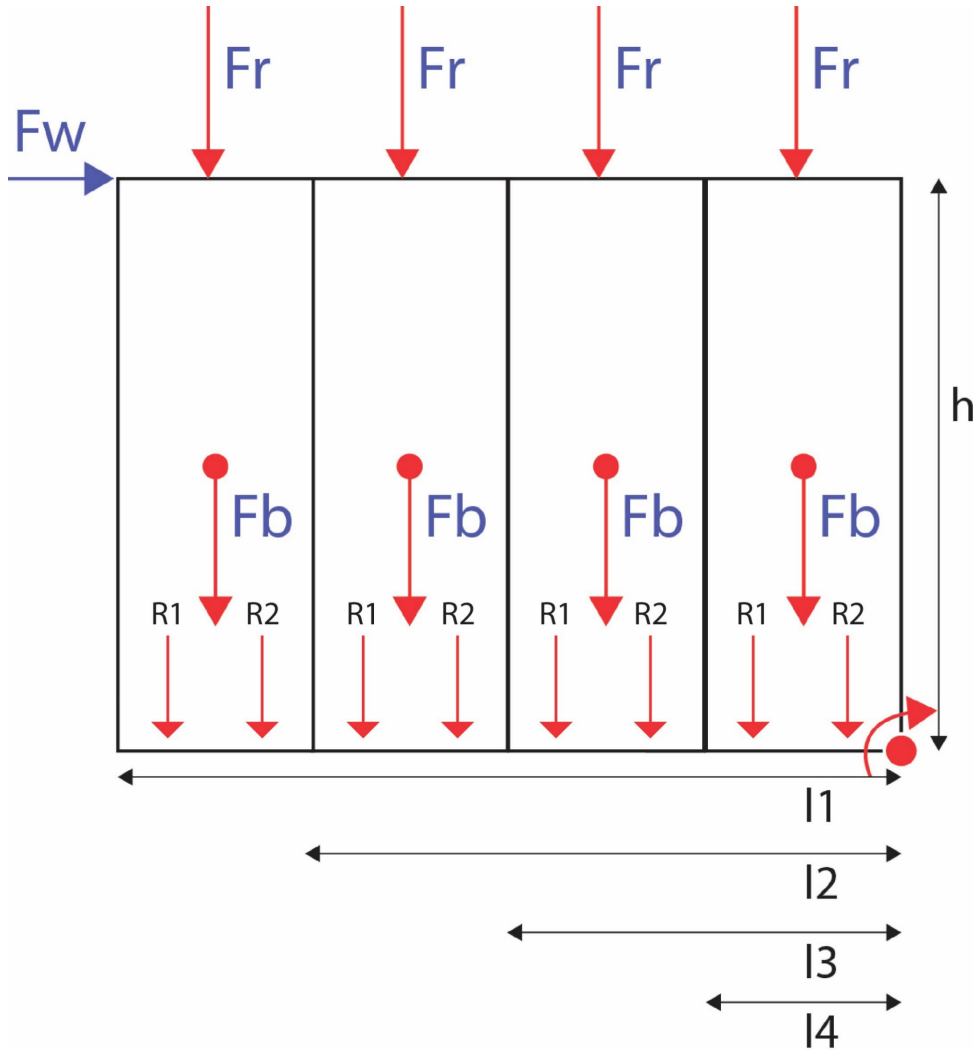
### Calculation

Wind force - self weight < 0

$$F_w * h - 1/2l(F_b + F_r) < 0$$
$$31.65 * 2.7 - 0.3(0.5 + 0.5 + 0.5) - 4 < 0$$
$$80.75 \text{ kNm} < 0$$
$$29.9 \text{ kN} < 0 \text{ (NOT CAPABLE TO WITHSTAND THE WIND)}$$

# Structural Analysis

## Wall to wall connection



$$F_w \cdot h - (F_r + F_b + F_b)(3.5l + 2.5l + 1.5l + 0.5l) - (4/4 * F_r * l_1 + 3/4 * F_r * l_2 + 2/4 * F_r * l_3 + 1/4 * F_r * l_4) < 0$$

the reaction forces is gradually reduced based on the number of the blocks due to different magnitude. The closer it is to the point of rotation, less reaction force occurs.

$$31.65 * 2.7 - (0.5 + 0.5 + 0.5)(2.1 + 1.5 + 0.9 + 0.3) - (4 * 2.4 + 3/4 * 4 * 1.8 + 2/4 * 4 * 1.2 + 1/4 * 4 * 0.6) < 0$$

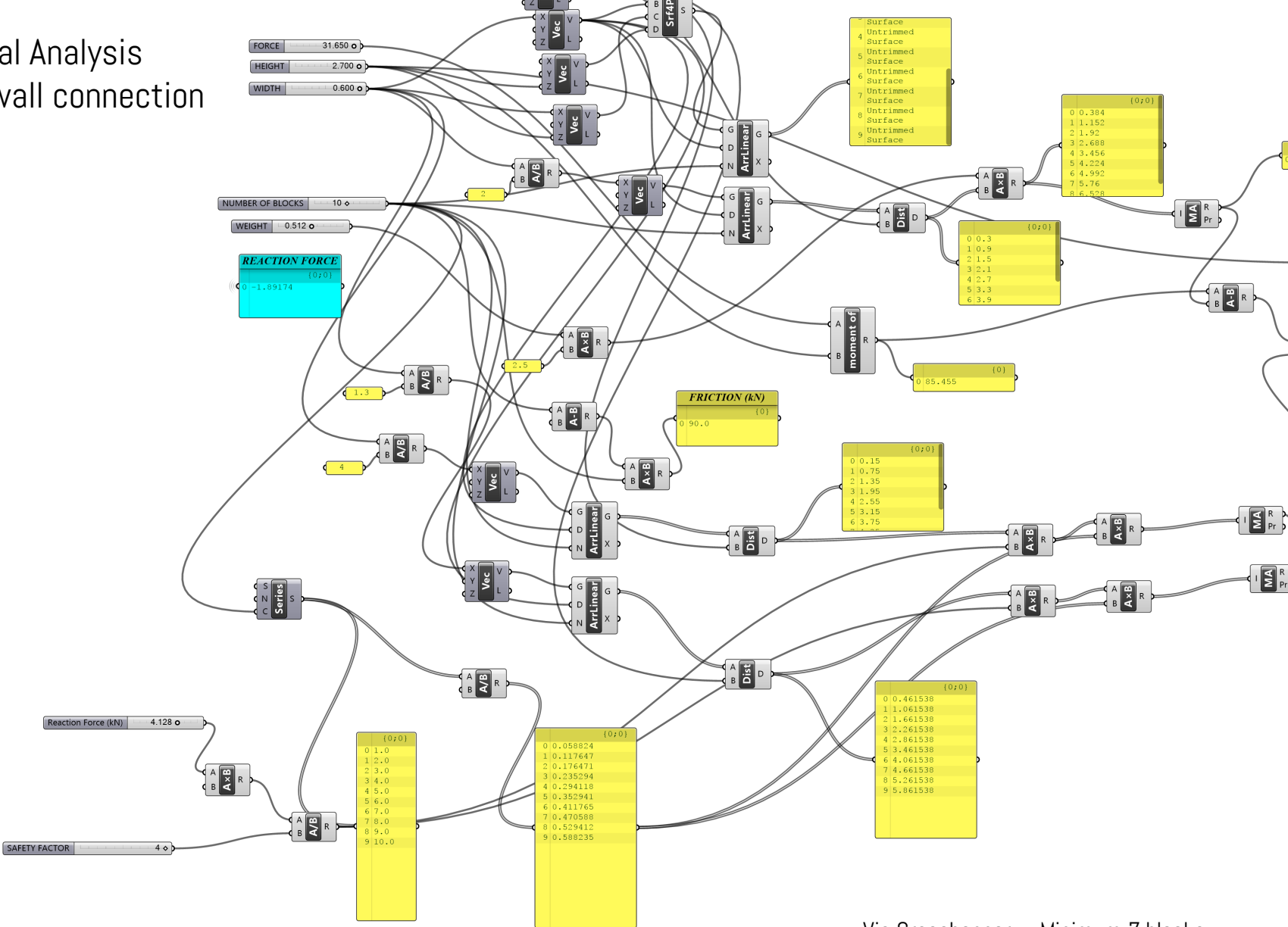
$$85.45 - 7.2 - 18 < 0$$

$$60.25 \text{ kNm} < 0$$

$$22.3 \text{ kN} < 0 \text{ (REDUCED)}$$

# Structural Analysis

## Wall to wall connection

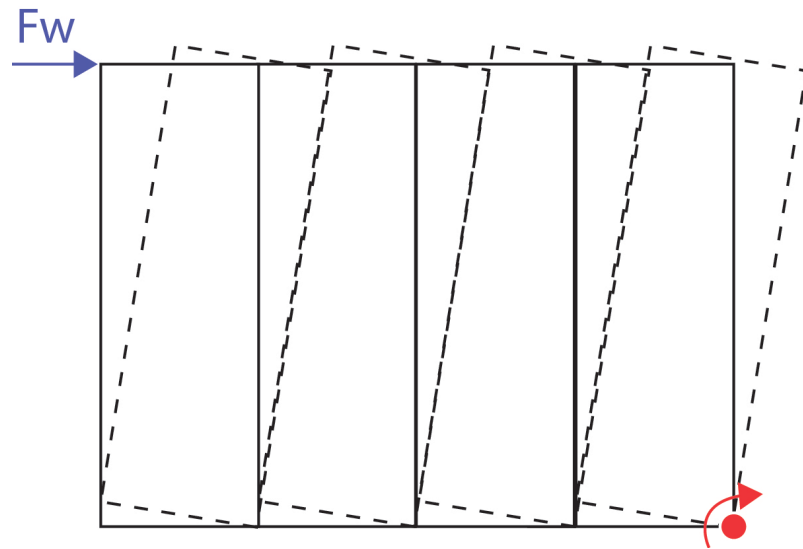


Via Grasshopper : Minimum 7 blocks.



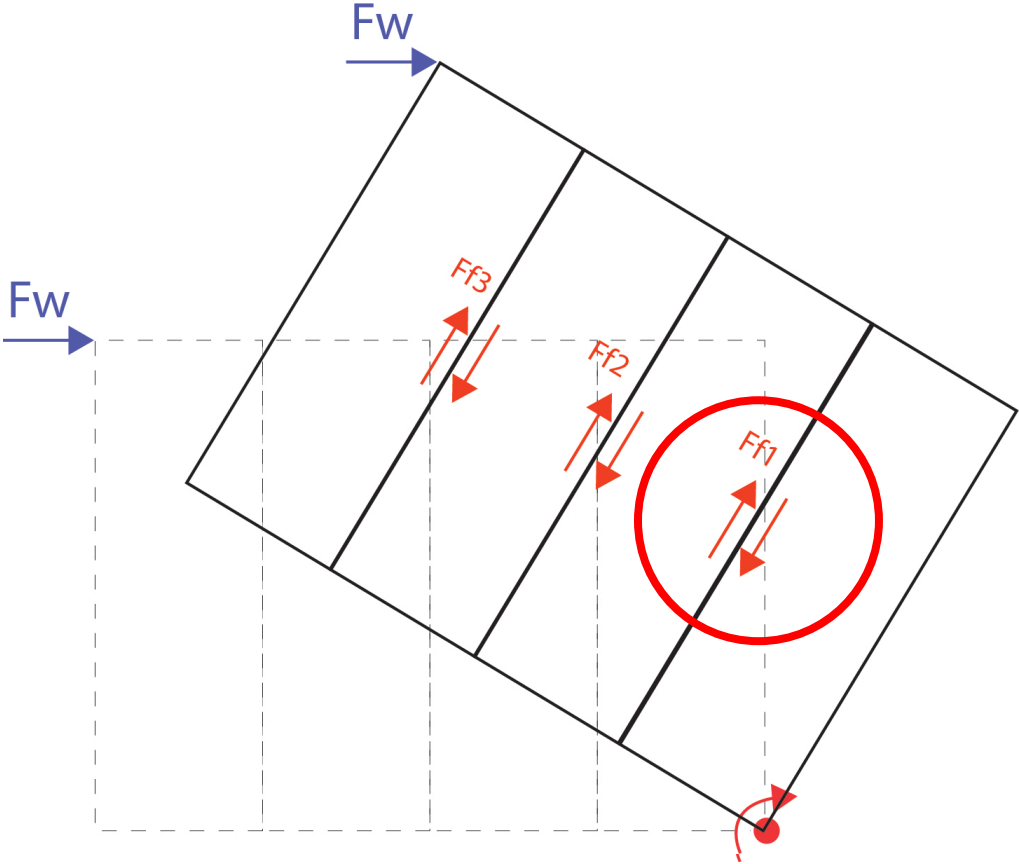
# Structural Analysis

## Wall to wall connection



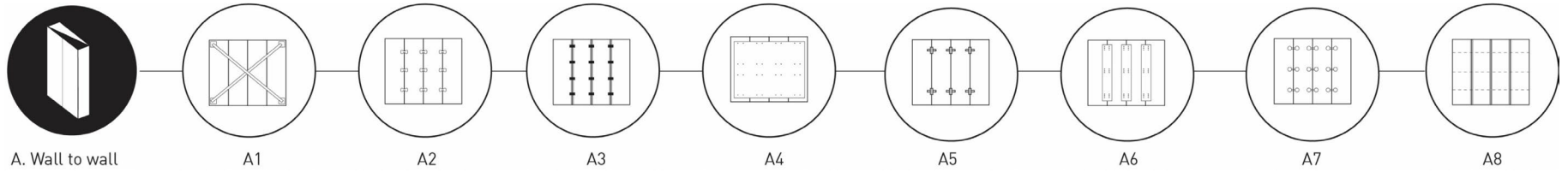
Existing deflection

Structural Analysis  
Wall to wall connection



Expected deflection

# Wall to Wall Alternatives



A. Wall to wall

A1

A2

A3

A4

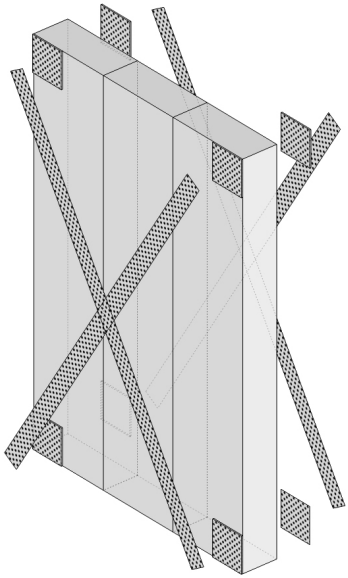
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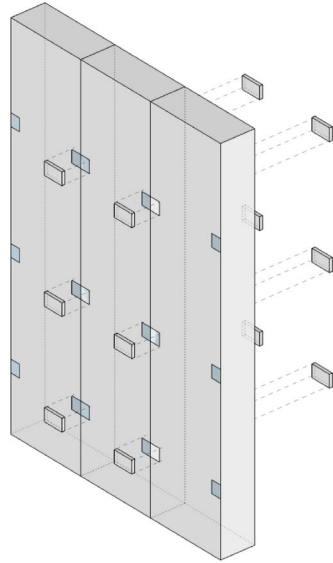
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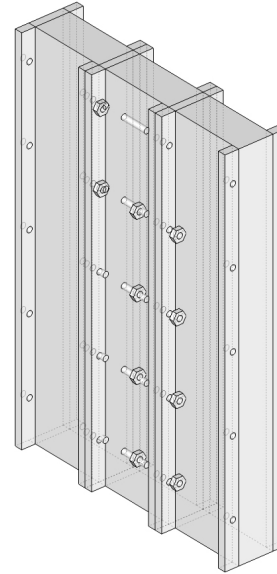
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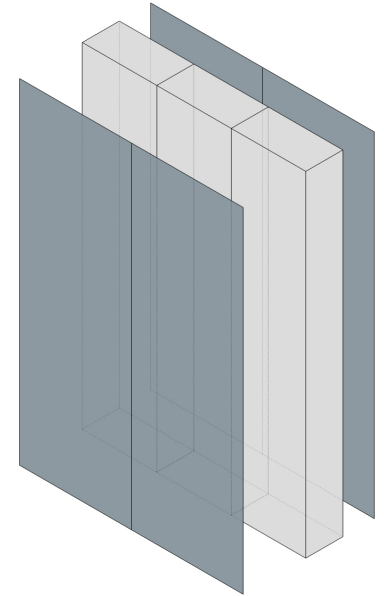
A.1. Steel Bracing



A.2. Butterfly



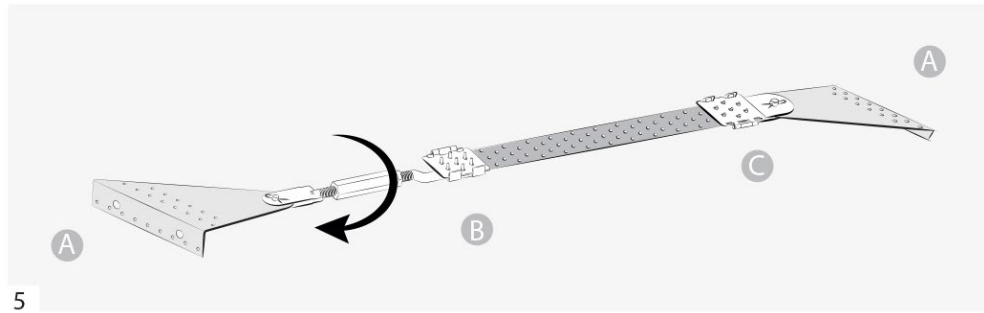
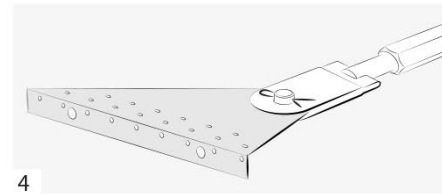
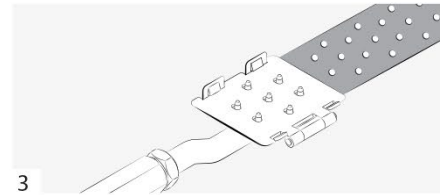
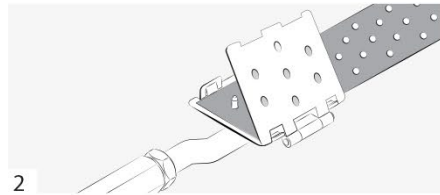
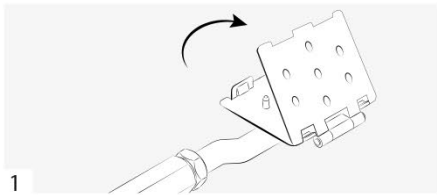
A.3. Steel bolt



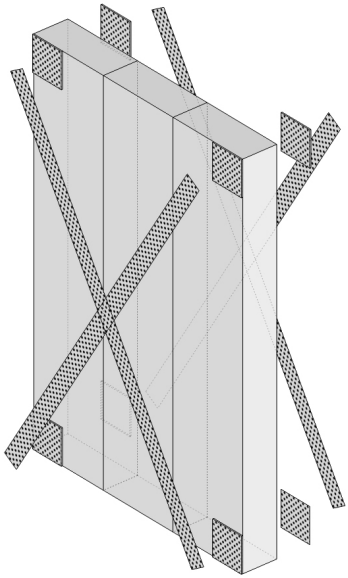
A.4. Wood Plate

# Wall to Wall Alternatives

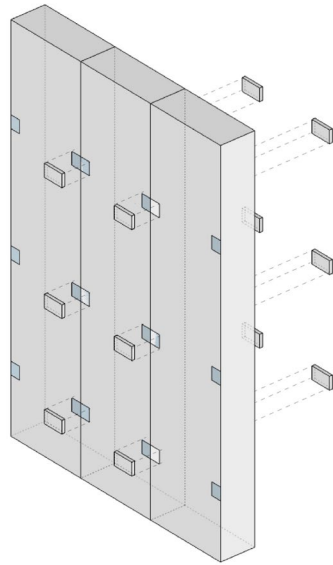
## A1. Steel bracing



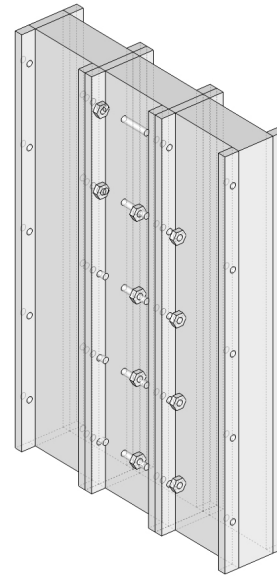
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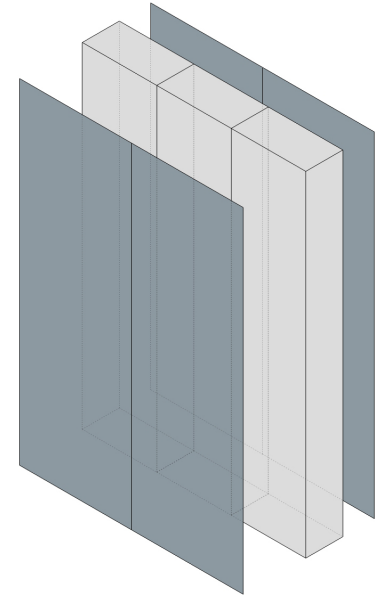
A.1. Steel Bracing



A.2. Butterfly



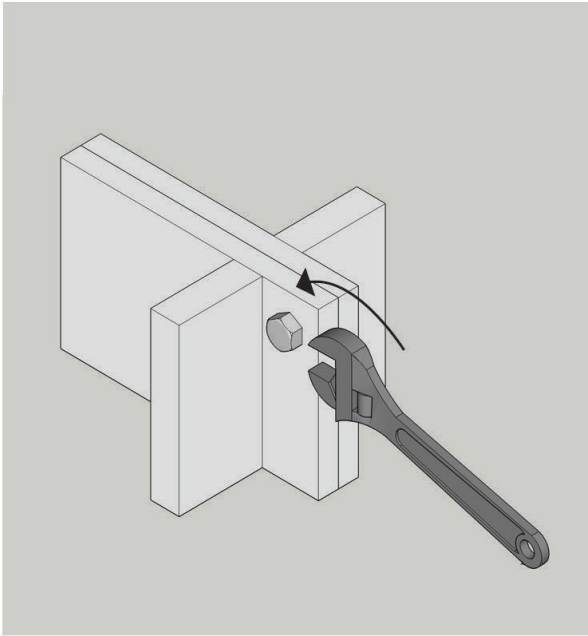
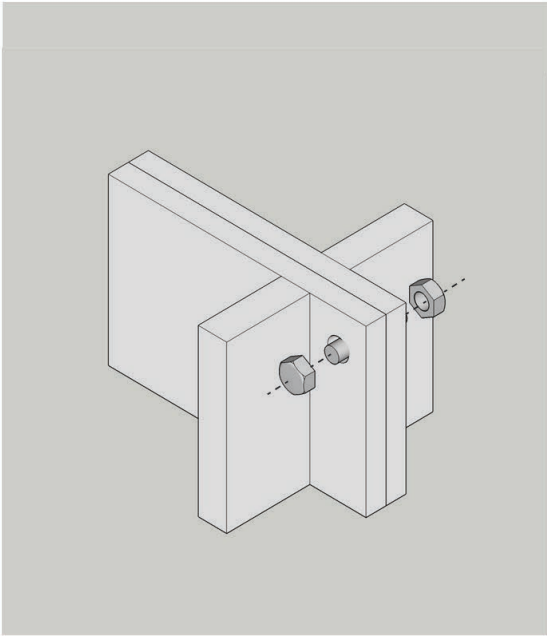
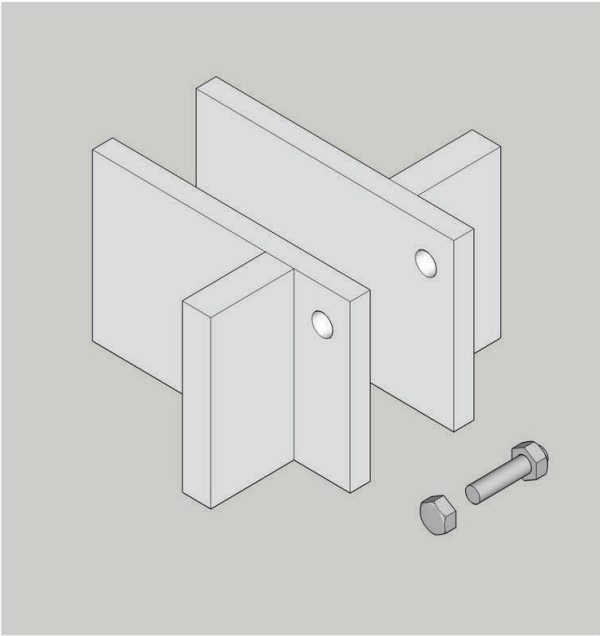
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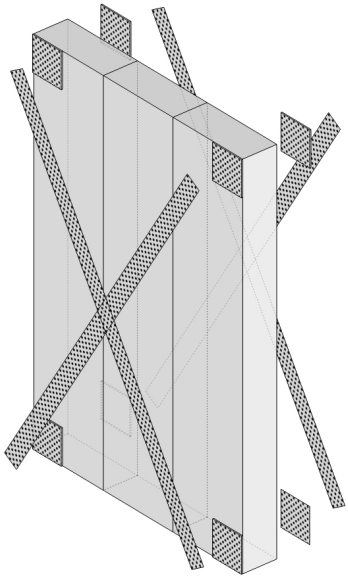
A.4. Wood Plate

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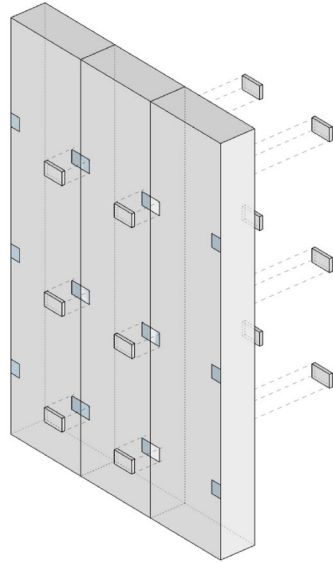
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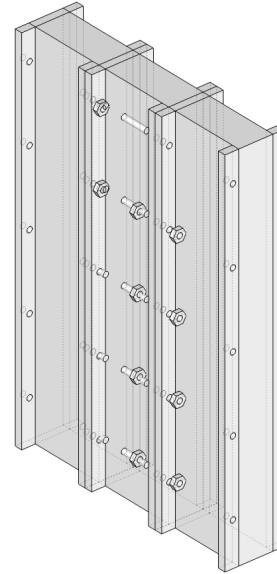
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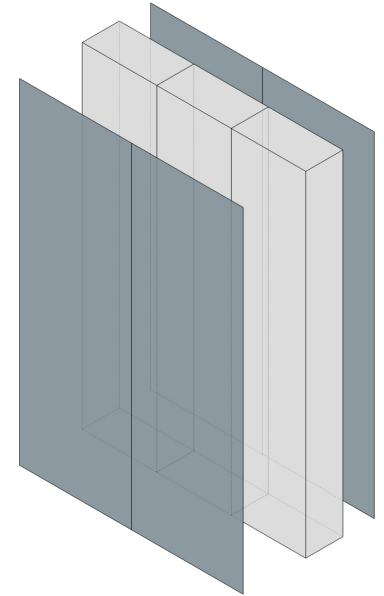
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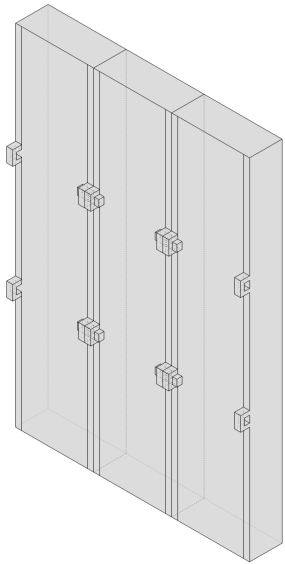
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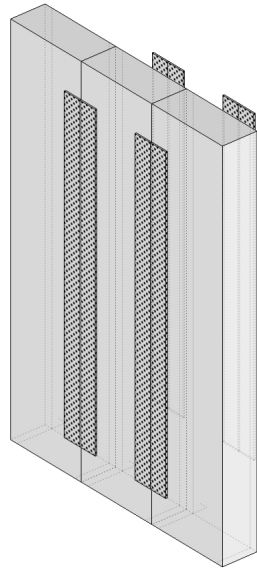
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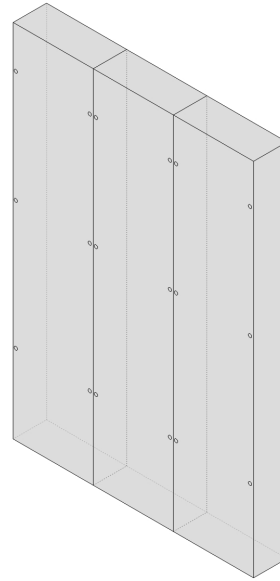
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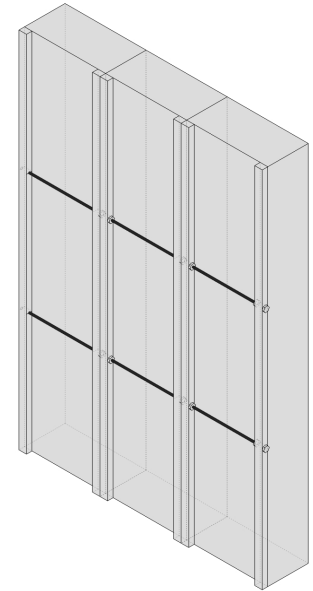
A.5. Wood wedges



A.6. Steel plates



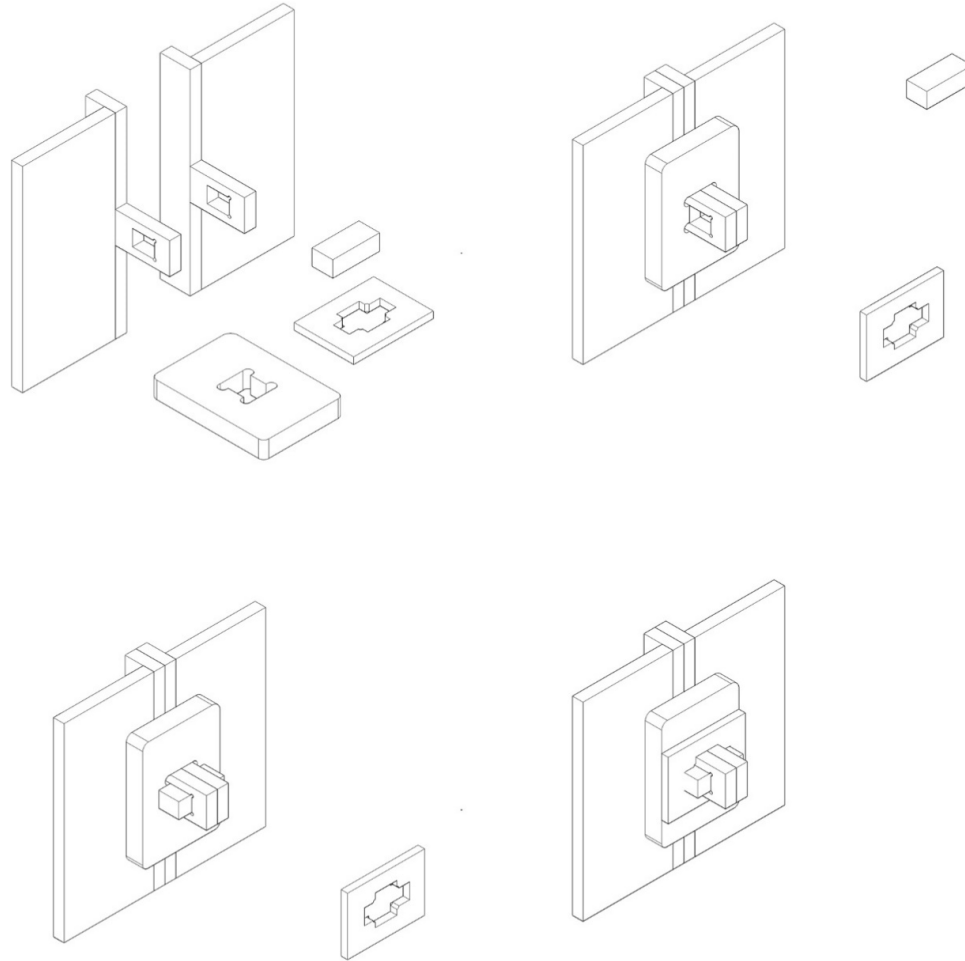
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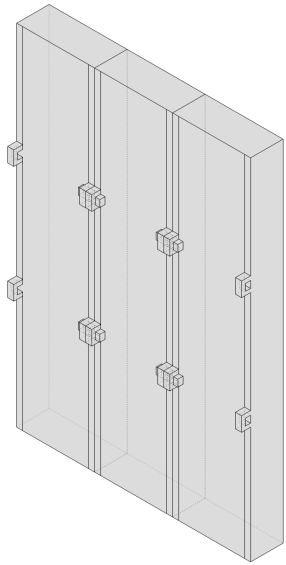
A8. Steel rod

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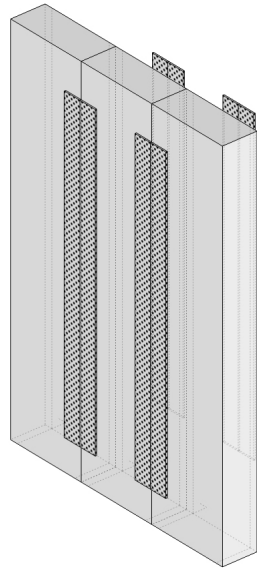
## A5. Wood wedges



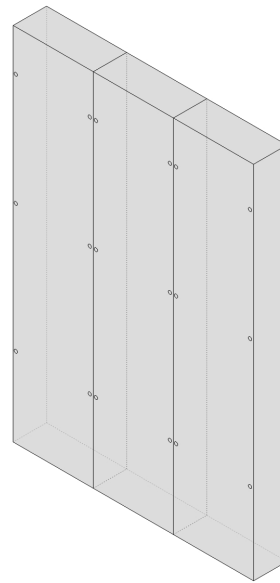
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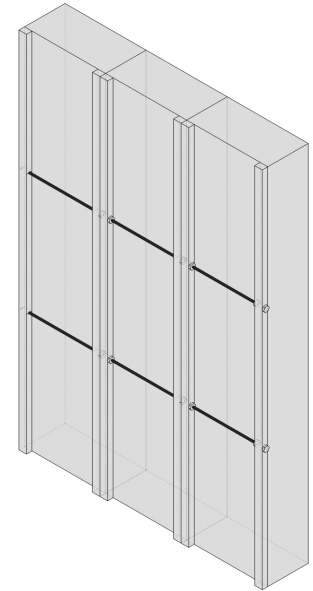
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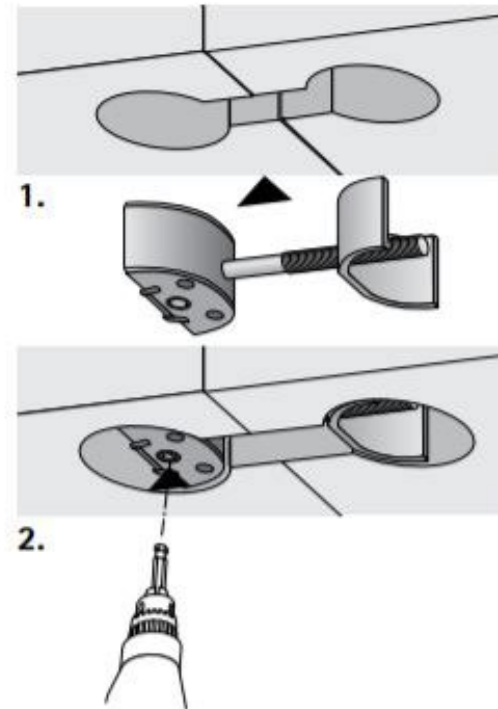
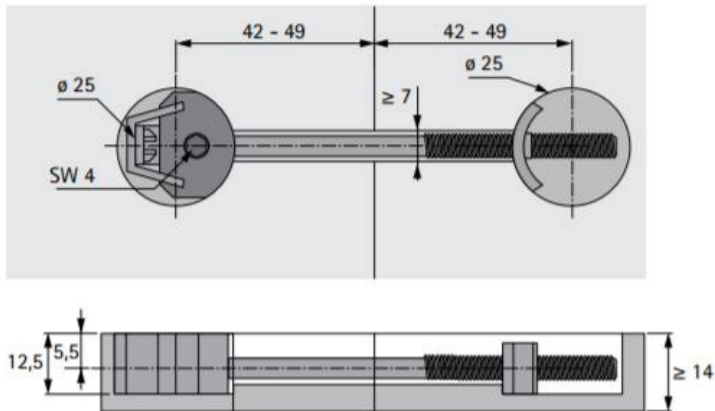
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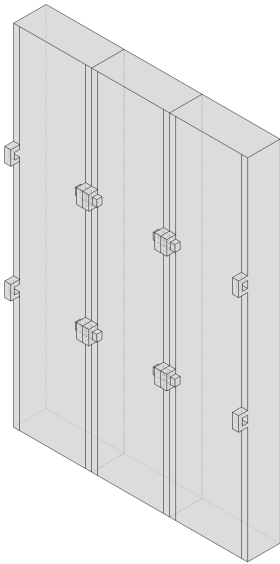
A.8. Steel rod

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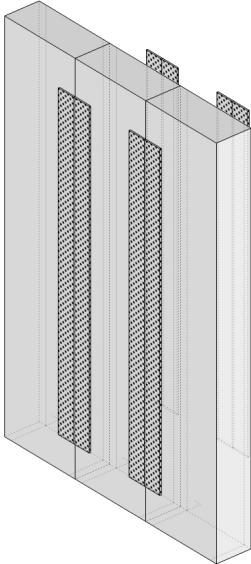
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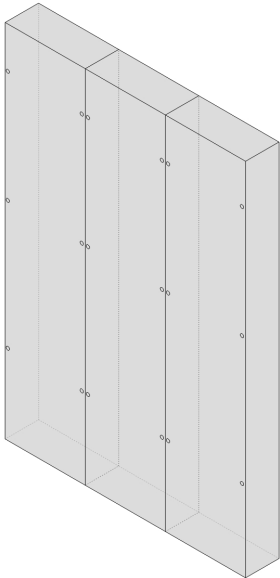
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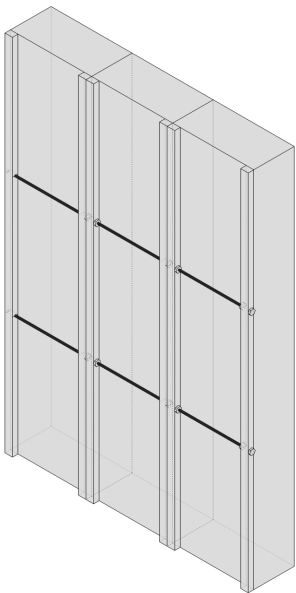
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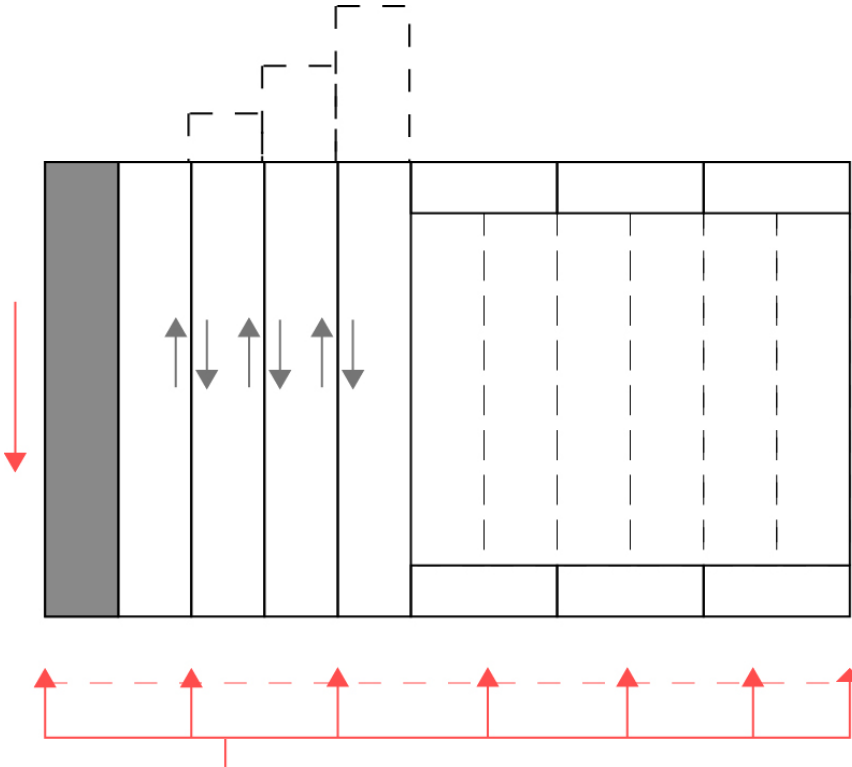
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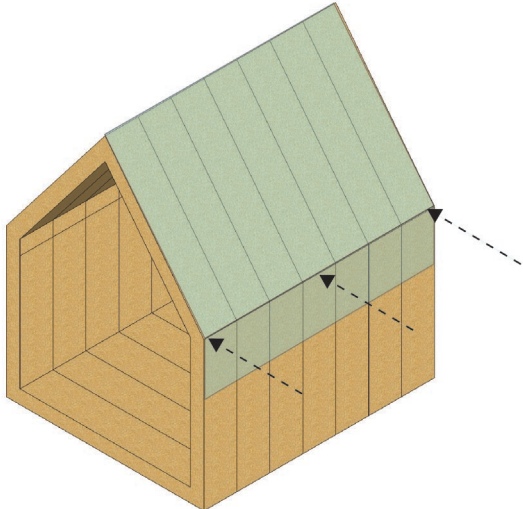
A.8. Steel rod

# Structural Analysis

## Floor to floor connection



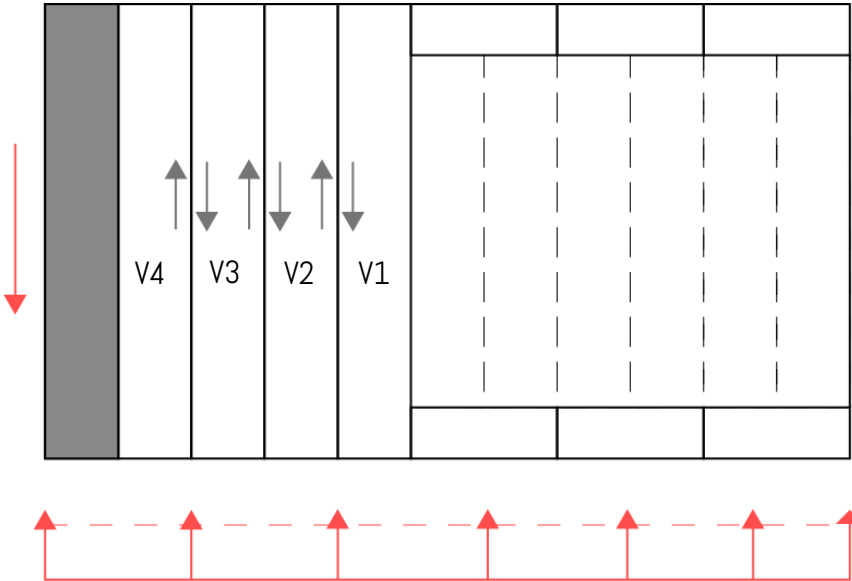
Expected deflection



# Structural Analysis

## Floor to floor connection

### Calculation example



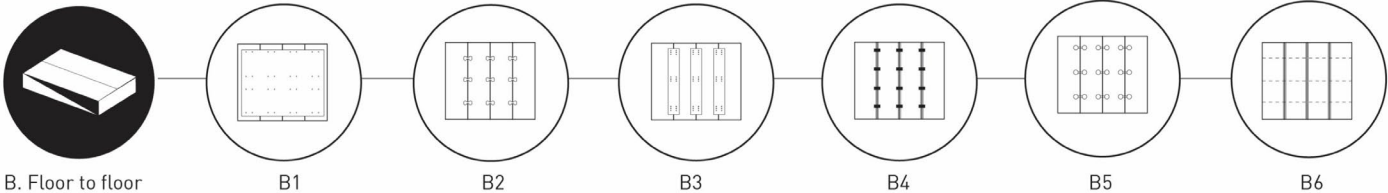
Wind force : 0.65 kN/m<sup>2</sup>  
 $0.65 \times (3.4 \text{ (roof height)} + 1.45 \text{ (half of the wall)})$   
 $= 3.125 \text{ kN/m}$

Width of 1 floor block : 0.3 m

- V1 :  $1 \times 3.125 \times 0.3 = 0.93 \text{ kN}$
- V2 :  $2 \times 3.125 \times 0.3 = 1.88 \text{ kN}$
- V3 :  $3 \times 3.125 \times 0.3 = 2.79 \text{ kN}$
- V4 :  $4 \times 3.125 \times 0.3 = 3.75 \text{ kN}$

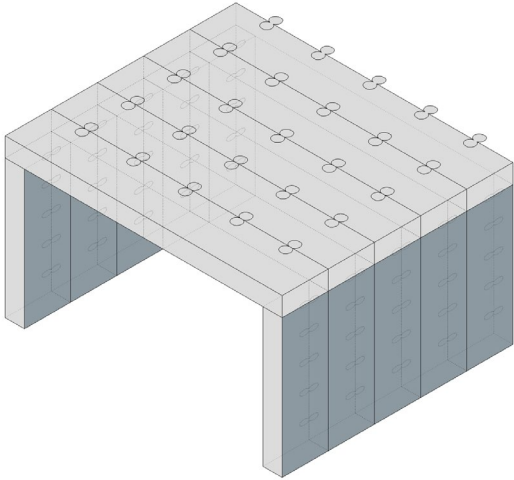
Expected reaction

# Floor to Floor Alternatives

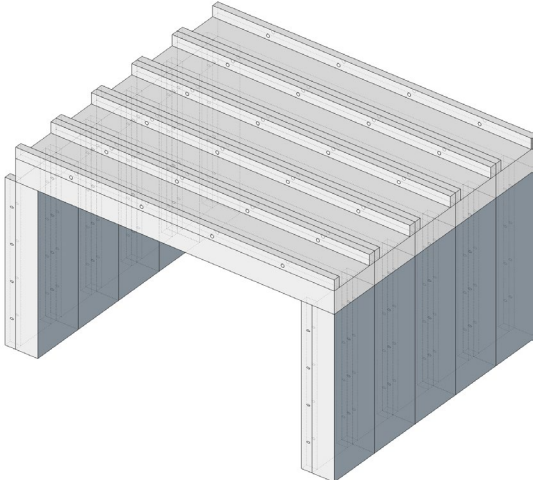




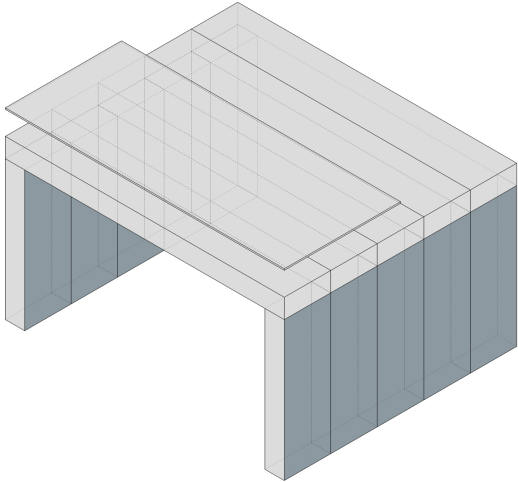
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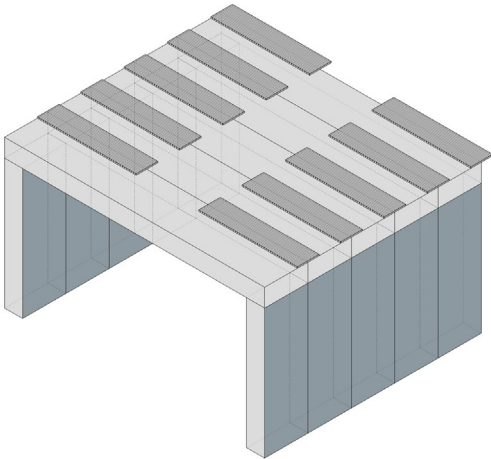


B2. Steel bolt

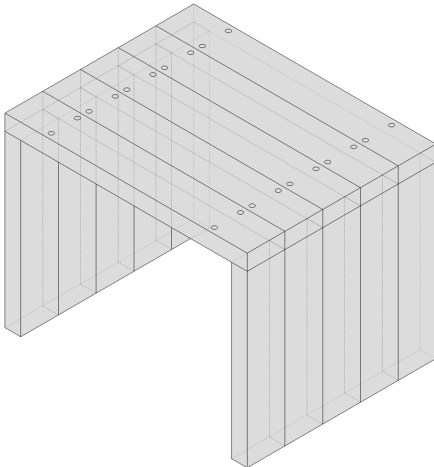


B3. Wood plate

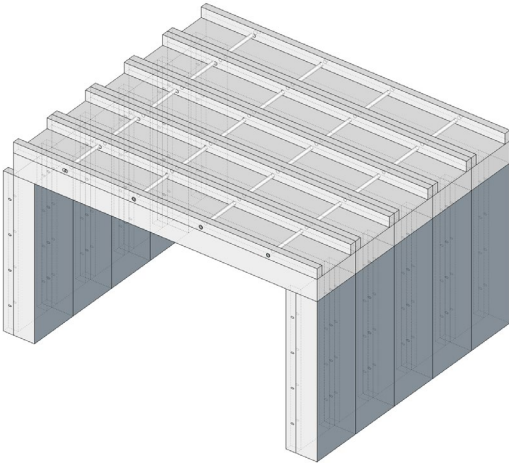
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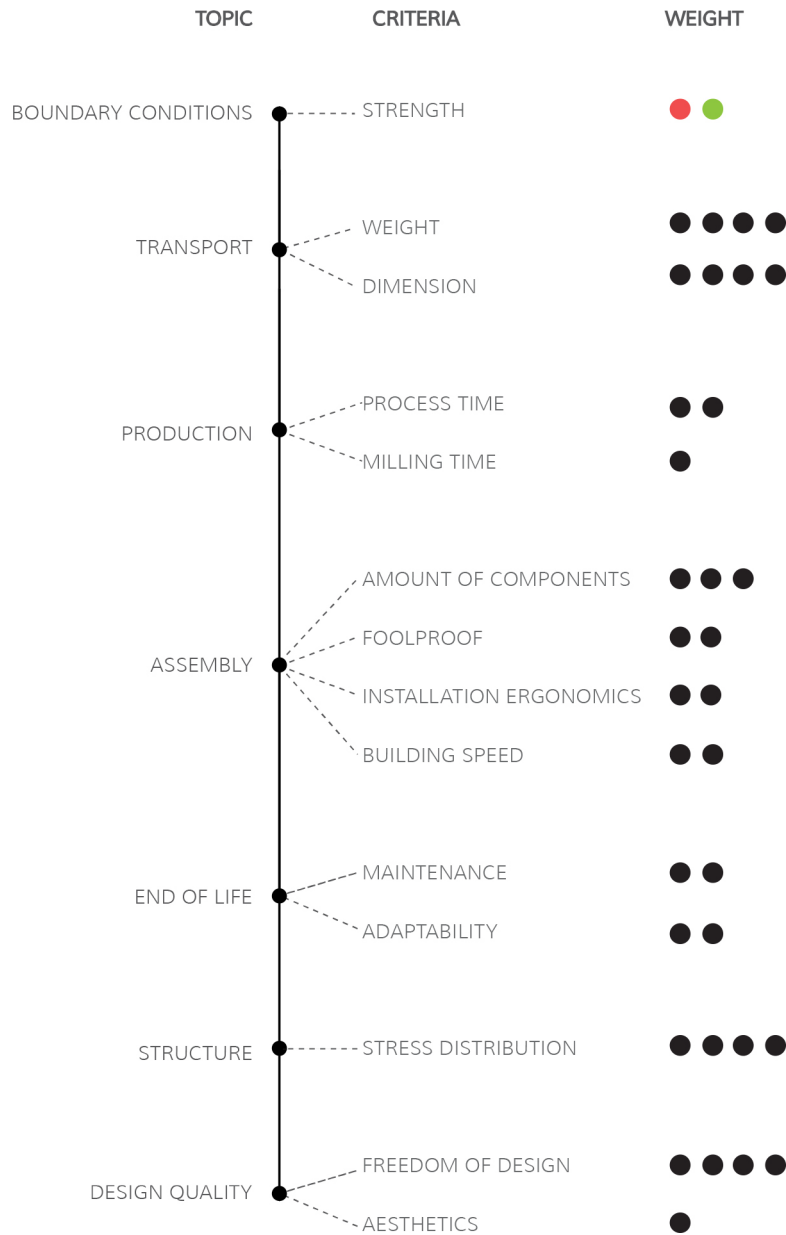
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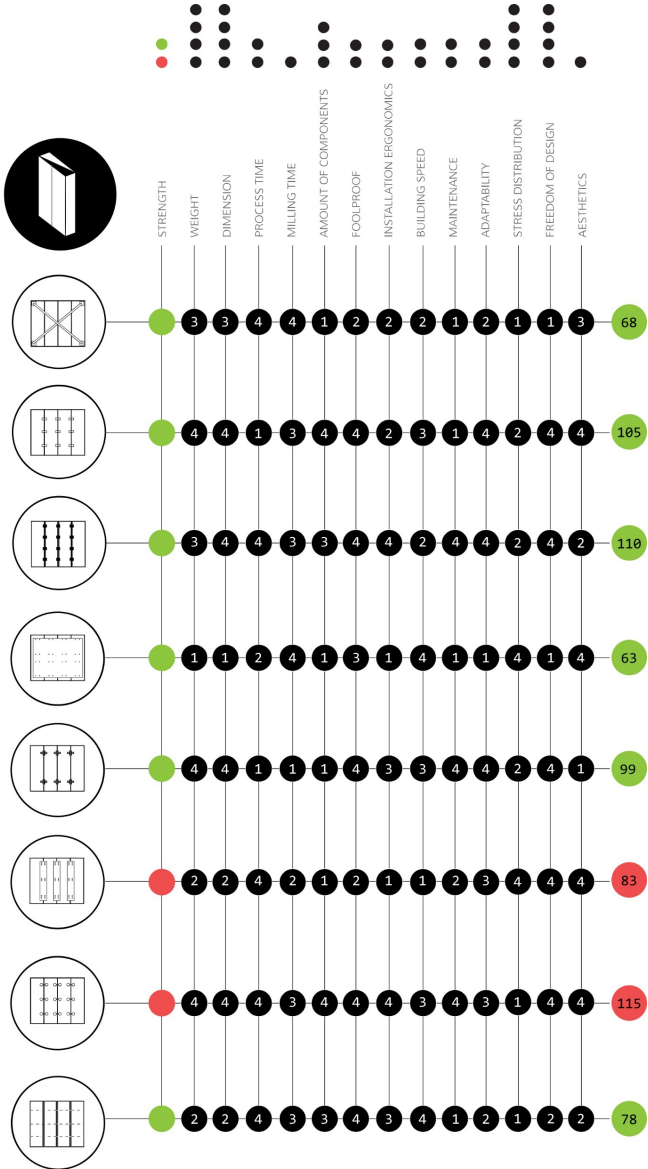
B5. Smart connection



B6. Steel rod



# Wall to Wall Alternatives



STEEL BOLT CONNECTION

2 x M10 bolts for wall to wall  
2 x M10 bolts for roof to roof

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BUTTERFLY JOINT

2 x 200 mm width key for wall to wall  
2 x 200 mm width key for roof to roof

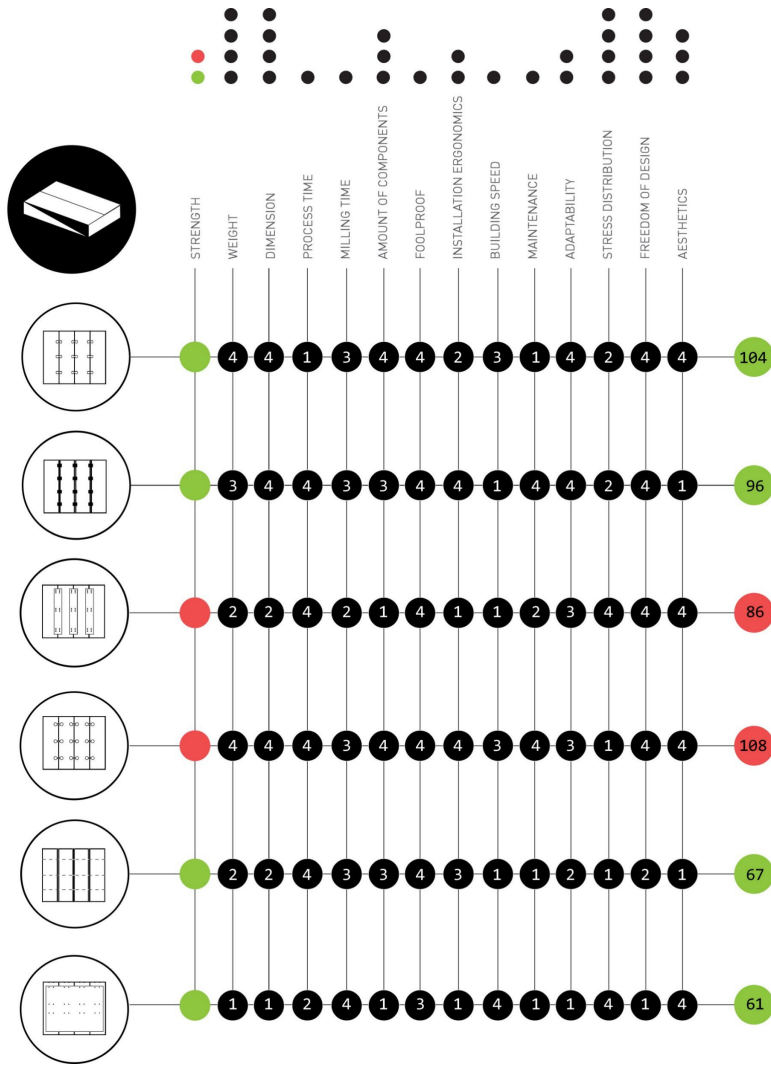
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WOOD WEDGE

2 X 38 X 89 mm wedge for wall to wall  
2 x 38 x 89 mm wedge for floor to floor

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# Floor to Floor Alternatives



Butterfly Joint  
2 x 200 mm width OSB key

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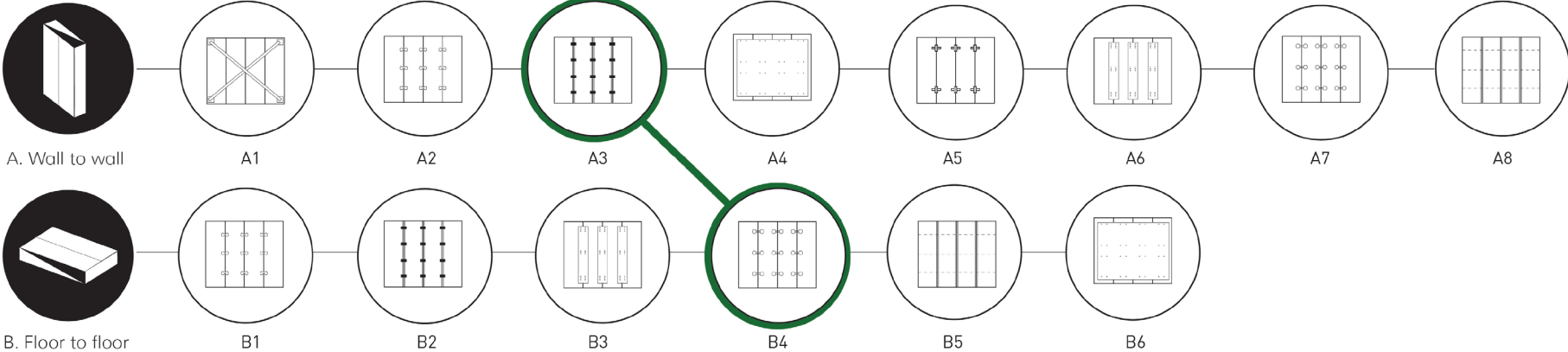
Steel Bolt Connection  
2 x M10 bolt (possible on the bottom surface)

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Steel Rod  
2 x 10 mm steel rod (on the top surface)  
Wooden plates for cover

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# Design Concept



NEXT : Prototype & Test

Thank you!

