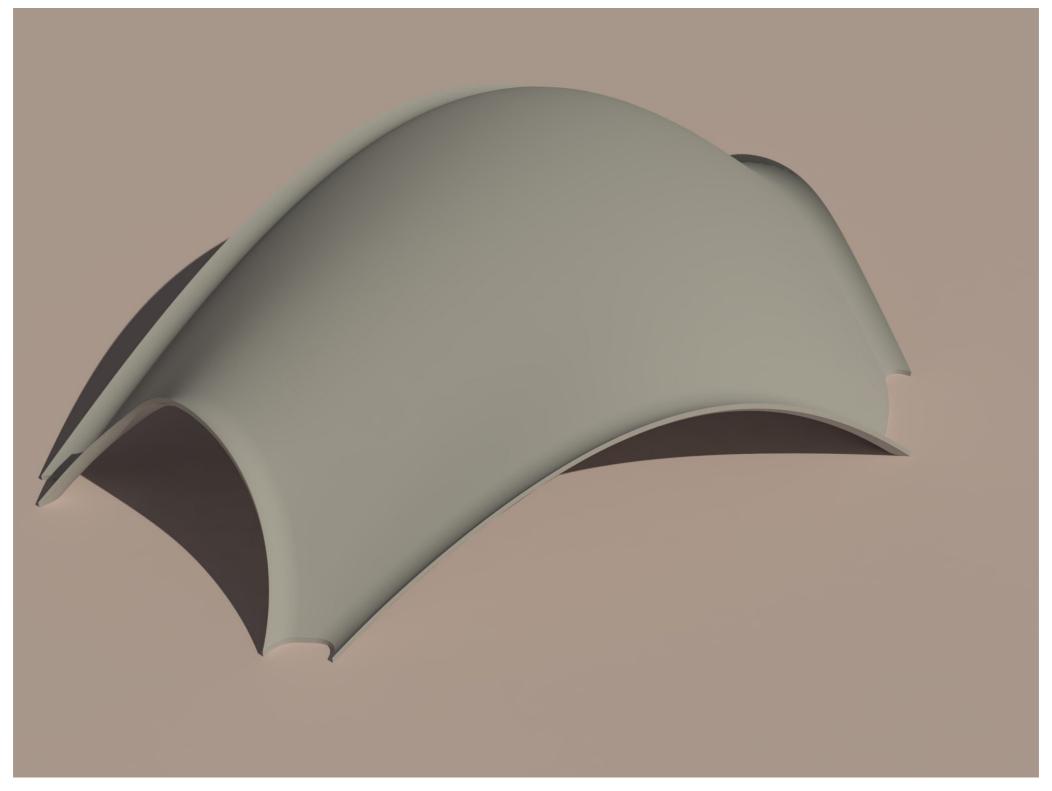
#### PREFAB SHELL STRUCTURES

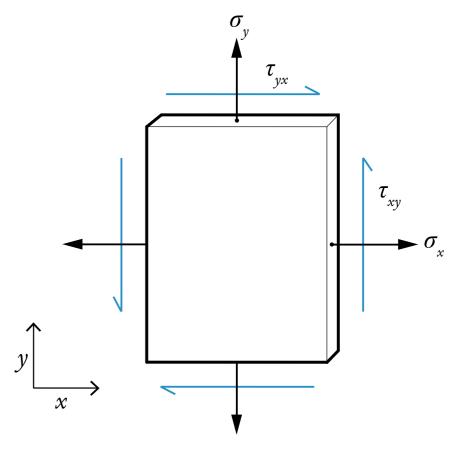
**CONNECTIONS** 



#### SHELL STRUCTURES

Shellstructures are constructed systems described by three-dimensional curved surfaces, in which one dimension is significantly smaller compared to the other two. They are form-passive and resist external loads predominantly through membrane stresses.

(Adriaenssens, Block, Veenendaal, and Williams, 2014)

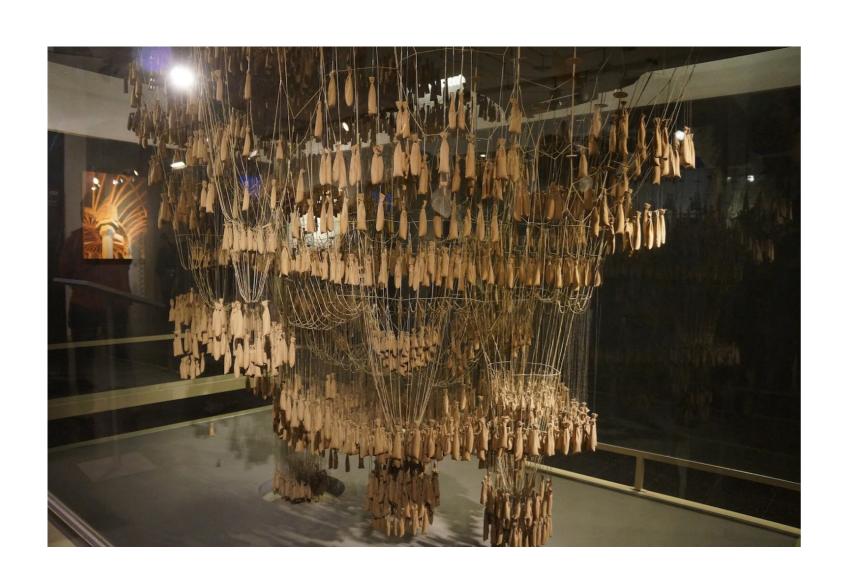


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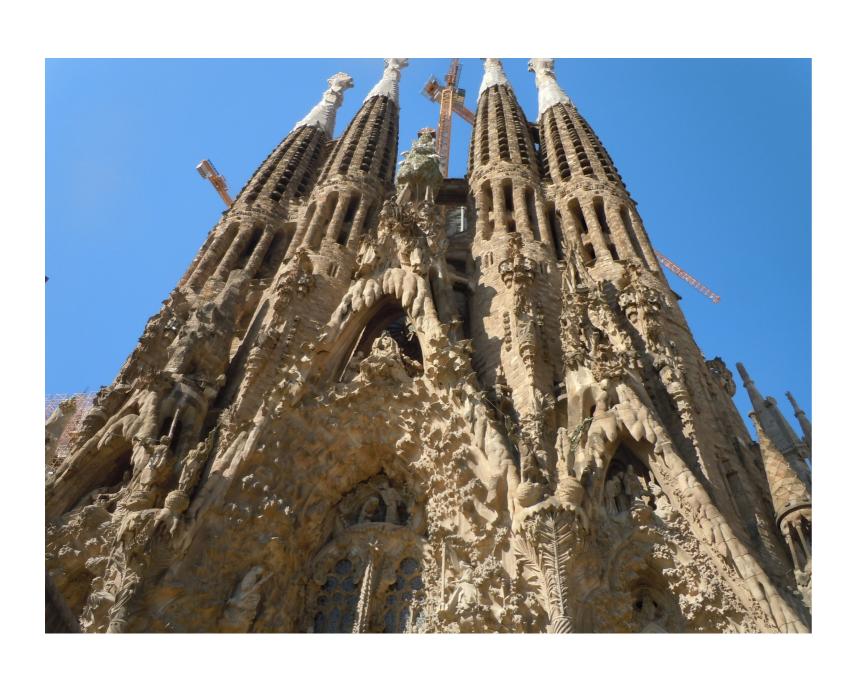
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# DESIGN



- Antoni Gaudi
- Inspiration from Nature
- Still not finished

# SHELLS

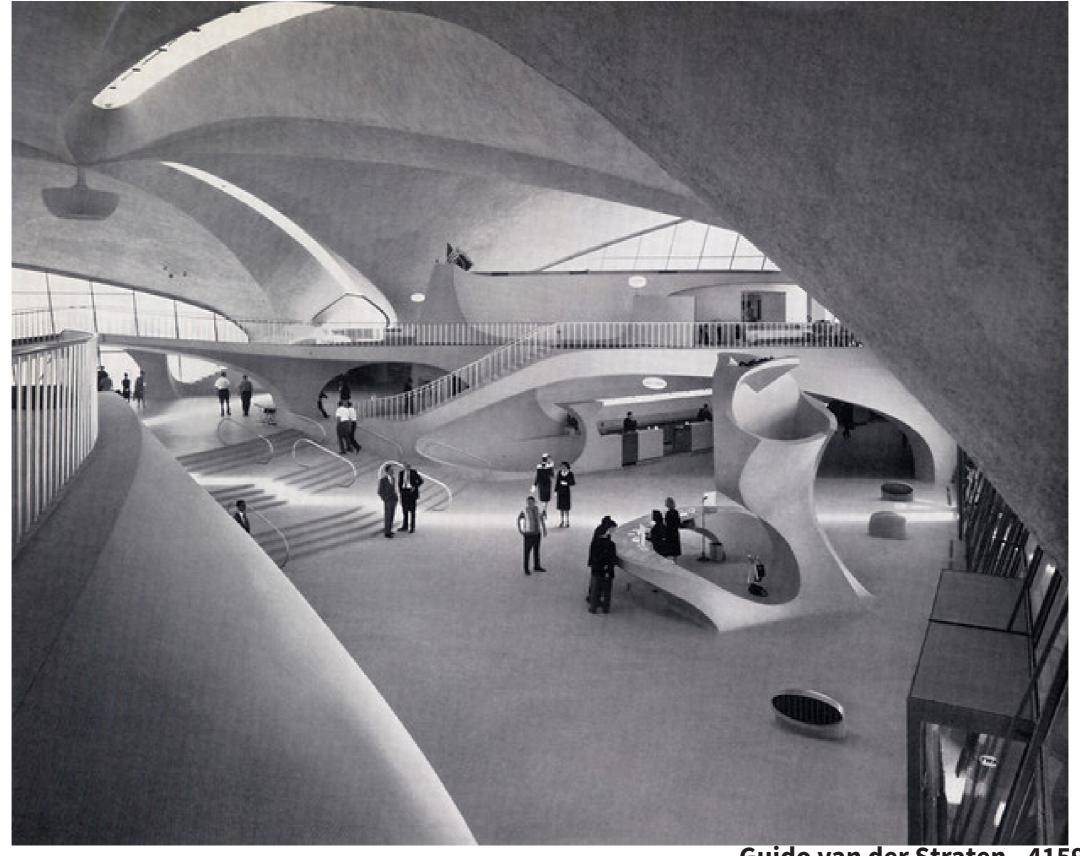


- Dome 40m
- 4 Towers of 135m
- 1 Tower of 172,5m
- Construction started 1880

# TWA FLIGHT CENTER



# INTERIOR



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#### CONSTRUCTION



- Eero Saarinen
- Thickest 100 cm
- 24 meter cantilever
- 4 Columns
- Covers 71.000 m<sup>2</sup>

#### DEITINGEN SERVICE STATION



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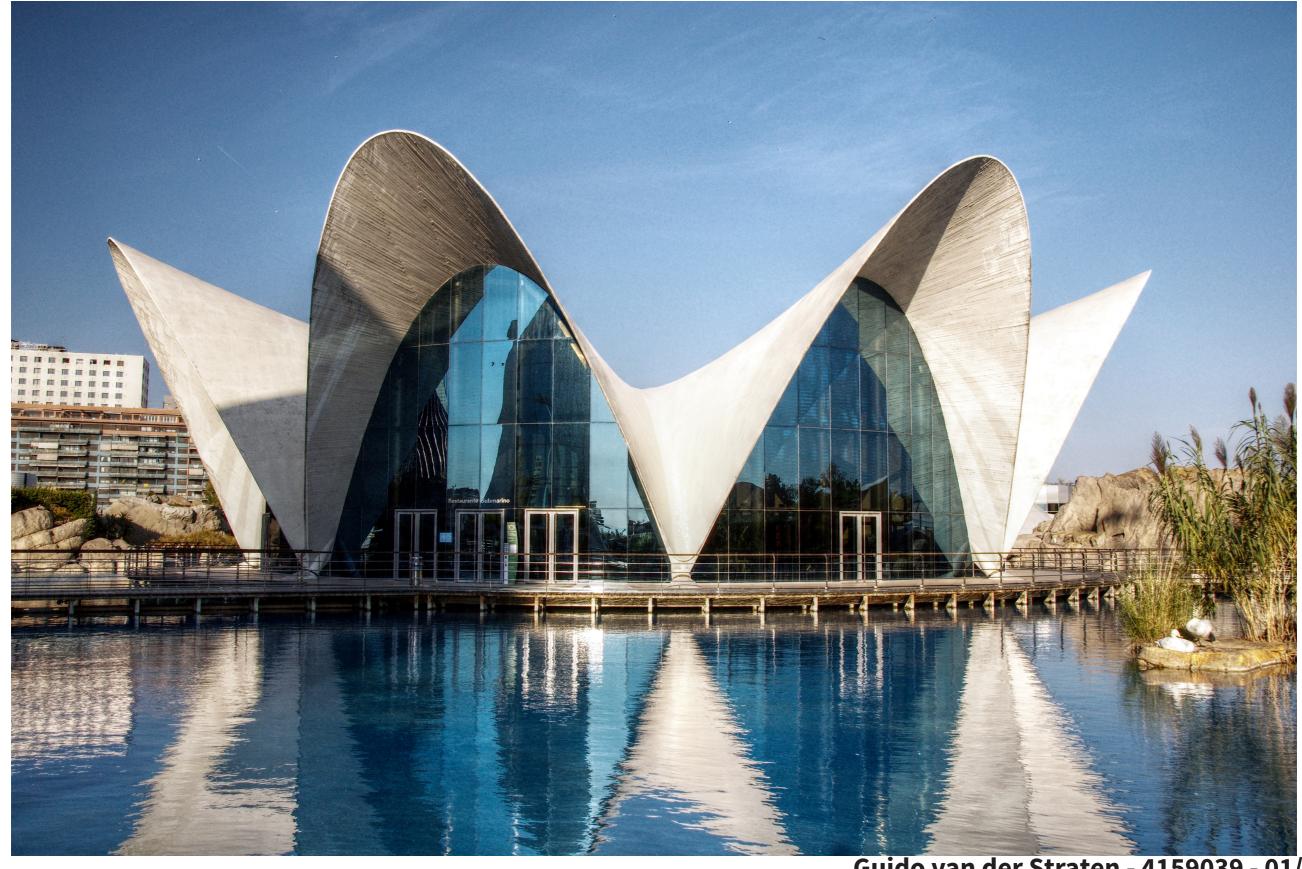
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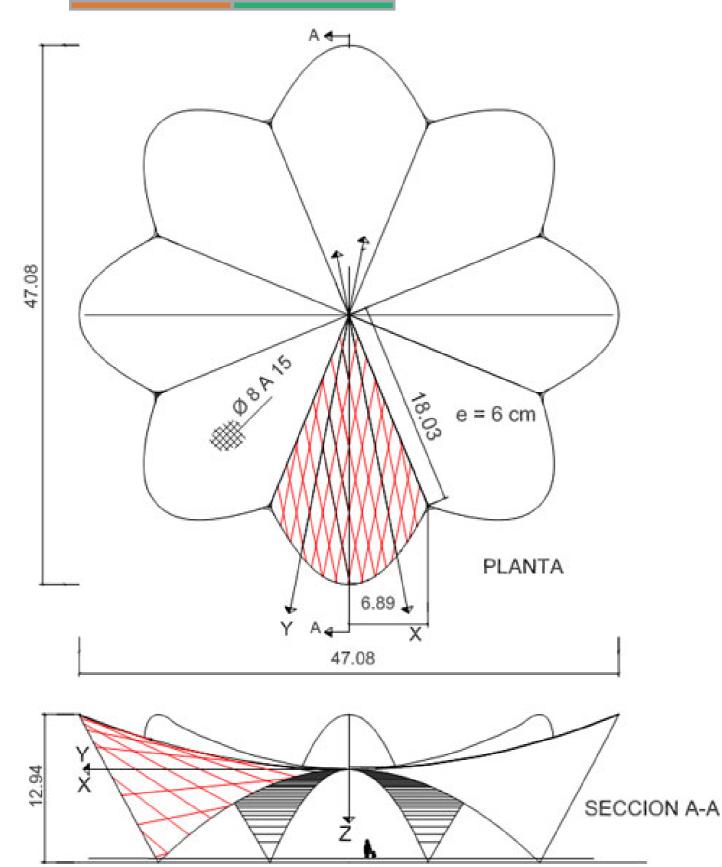
- Heinz Isler
- 26 m x 31 m
- 3 supports
- Center few centimeters thick

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# OCEANOGRAFIC



#### DESIGN



- Felix Candela
- Span 35.5 m
- Dimensions: 47 x 47 m
- Thickness 6 cm

#### CONSTRUCTION



- Exstensive Scaffolding
- Manual Formwork
- 01-12-2001 till 01-12-2003

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# DISADVANTAGES

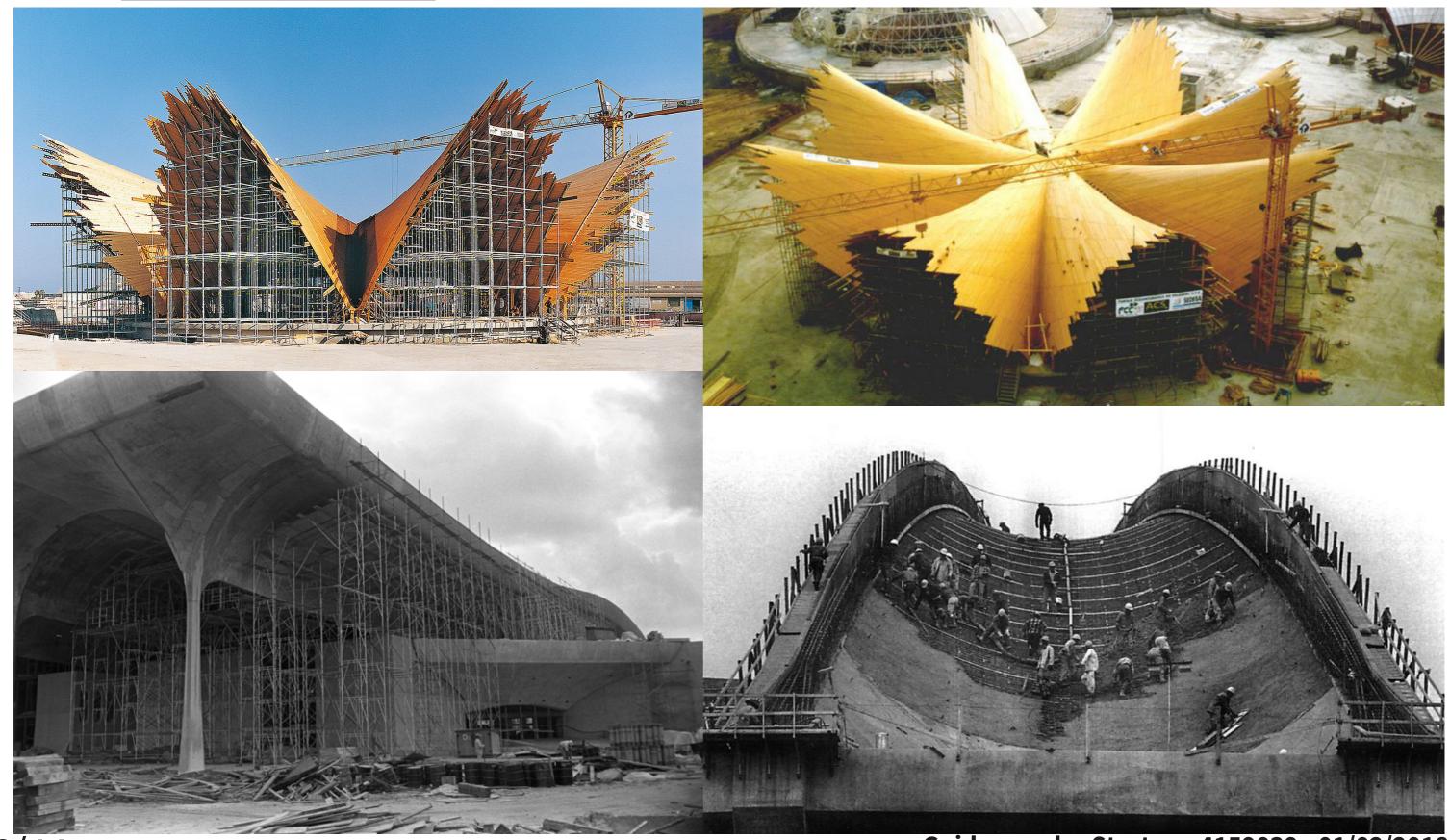


# SHELLS



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# DISADVANTAGES



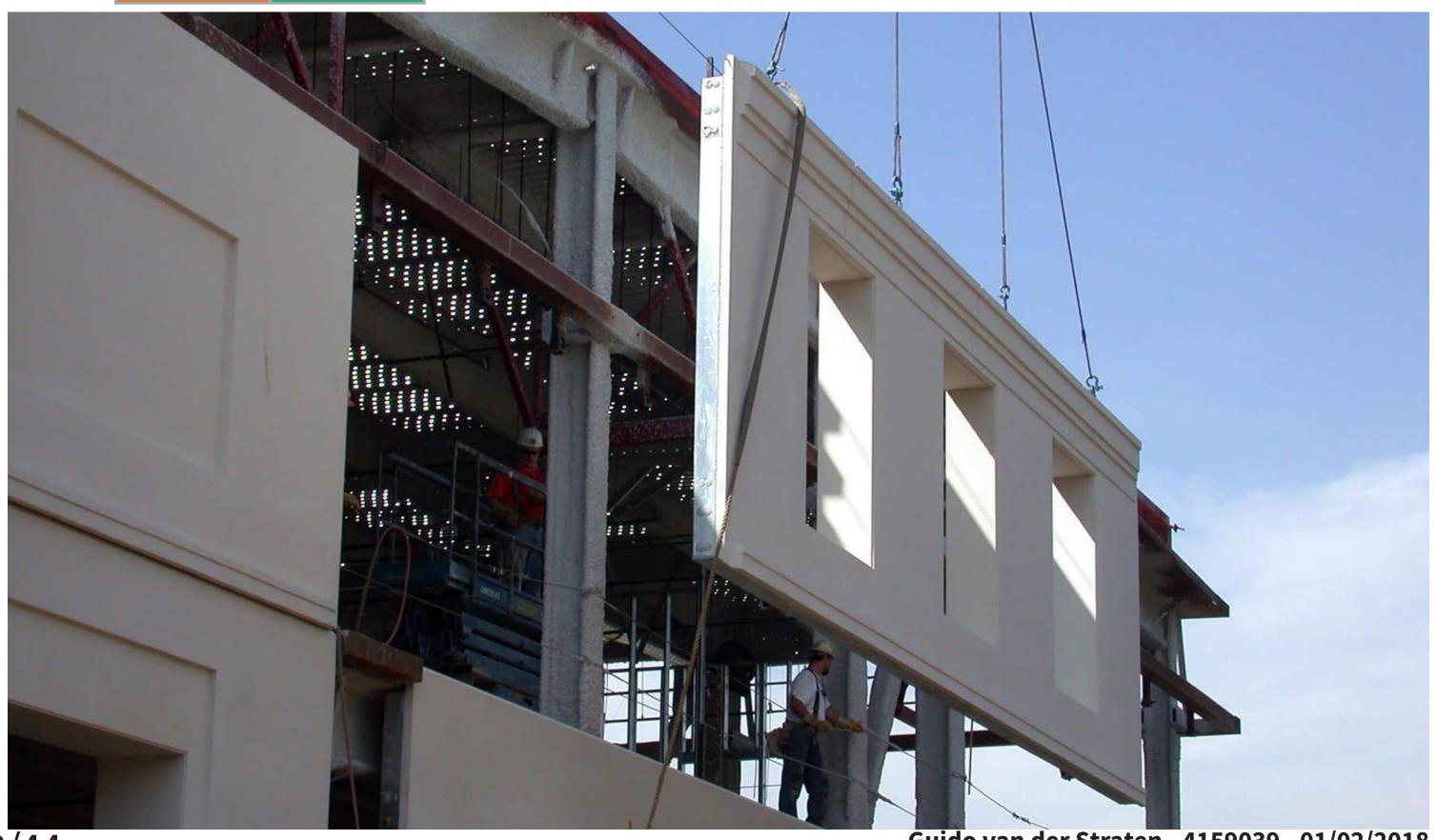
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#### PROBLEM STATEMENT

Shell structures are rarely used because they are labour intensive and therefore very expensive to make.

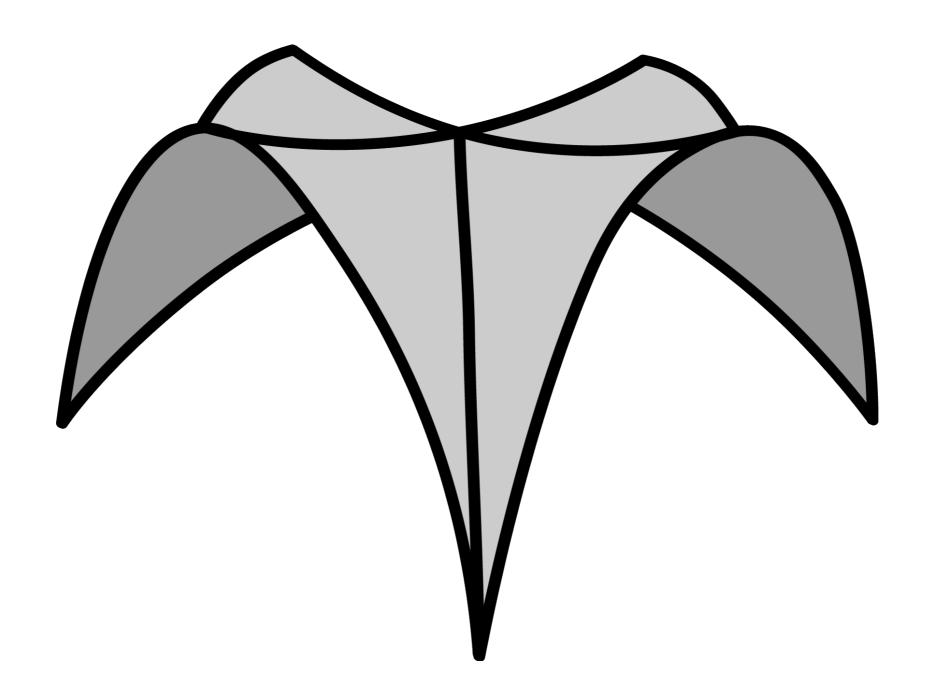
- Scaffolding is time consumming
- On-site pouring of concrete leads to long drying period
- Handbuilding the formwork is very time-consumming

# SOLUTION



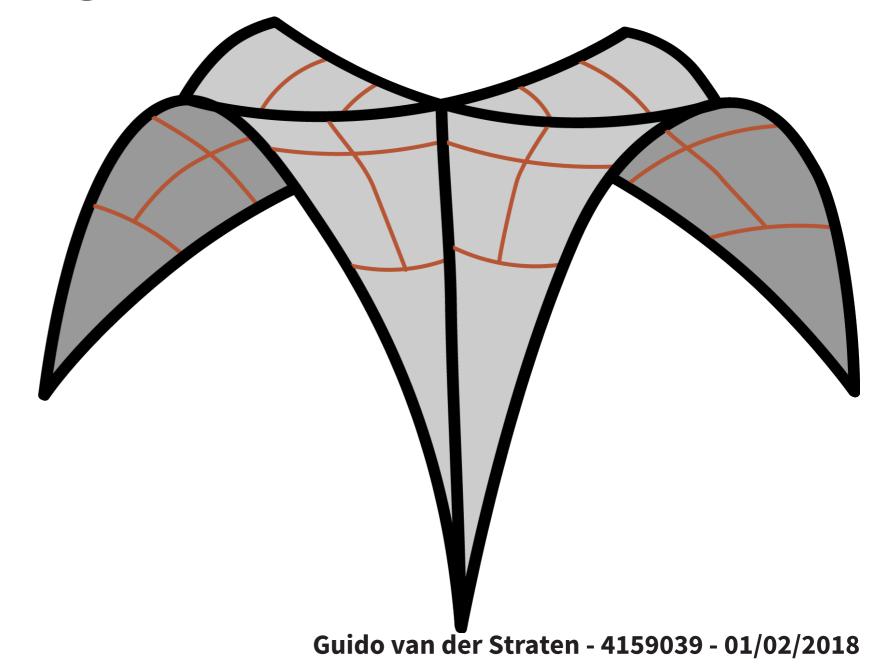
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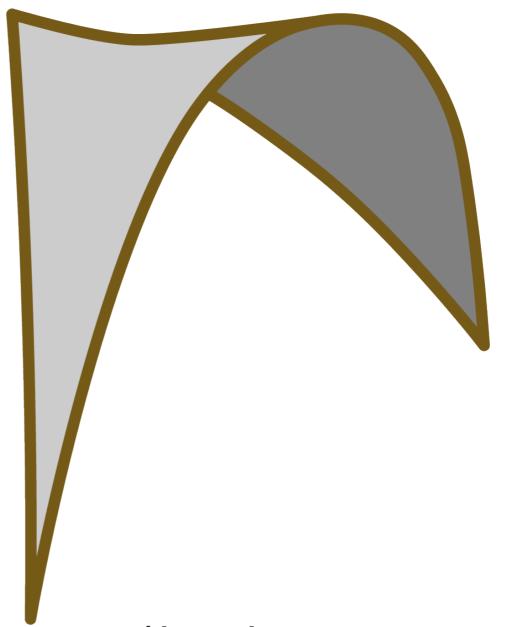
# **SEGMENTING**

- Force optimizing
- Construction optimizing



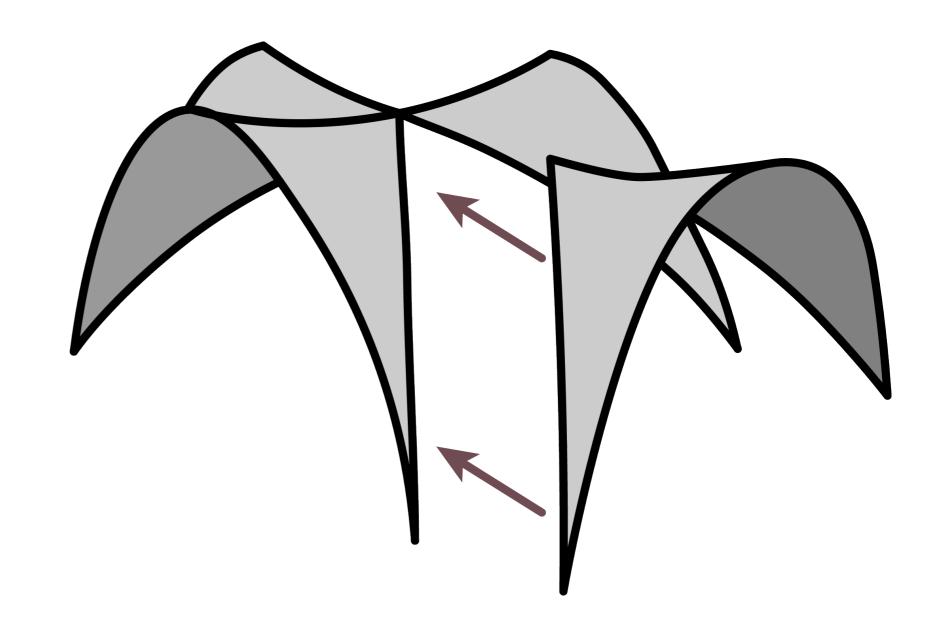
#### **PRODUCTION**

- Manual formwork
- Adaptable formwork



# CONNECTION

- Direct stiffness, strength and stability
- Simple building

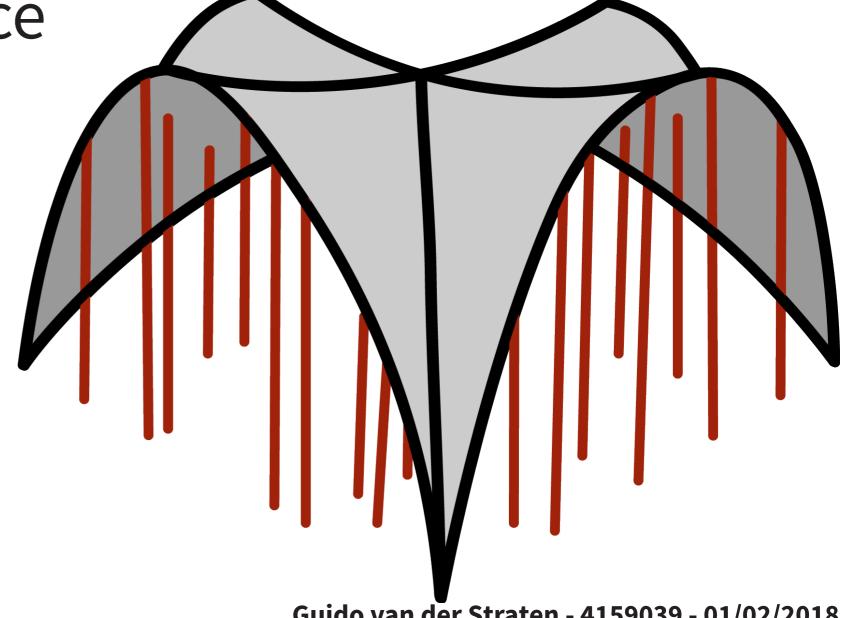


# CONSTRUCTION

- No/little scaffolding

- Direct stiffness, strength and stability

- Fast building sequence



# WHY CONNECTION?

- Segmenting > Computational
- Production already possible/researched
- Construction and Connection are intertwined

# RESEARCH QUESTION

What is the influence of making a monolithic shell structure into a prefabricated segmented shell structure with a dry/wet connection?

- How does the connections influence strength?
- How does the connections influence stiffness?
- How does the change in strength and stiffness influence the stability?

#### **METHODOLOGY**

- Case Study (Oceanografic Valencia)
- Divide the Shell
- Design knot
- Test/Analys knot
- Improve design



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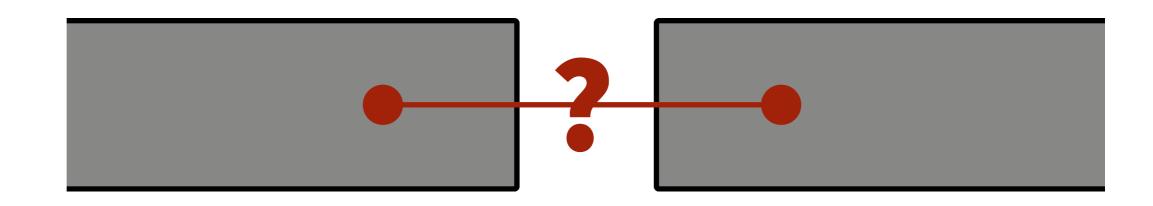
#### DESIGN BRIEF

#### Connection:

- Direct stiffness, strength and stability
- Fast placement/construction
- Deal with tolerance of concrete
- Decrease building time
  - No concrete pouring on site
  - As little scaffolding as possible
- Has the same deflection compared to monolithic shell

#### DESIGN

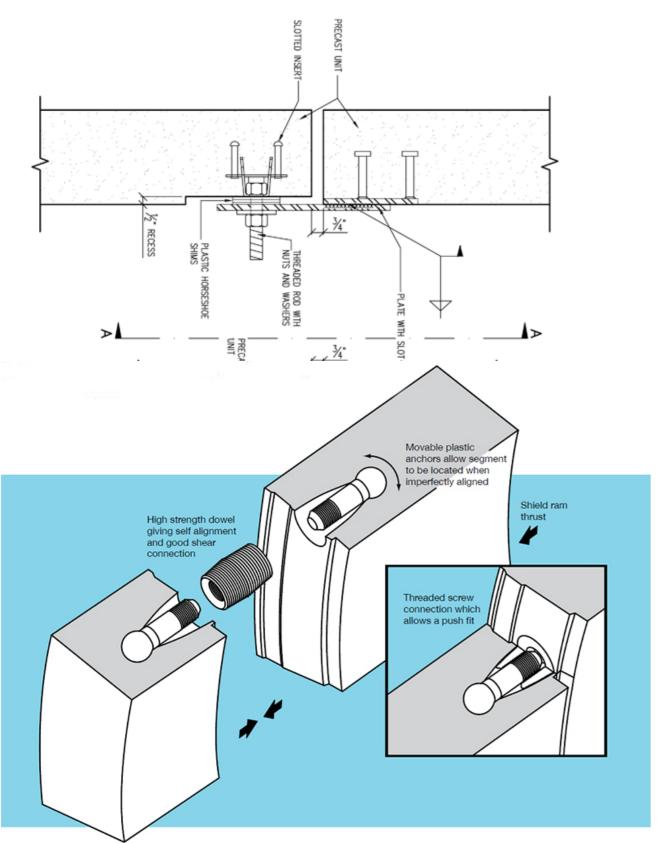
- Design knot
- Drawings
- Digital model
- Knot Peter Eigenraam

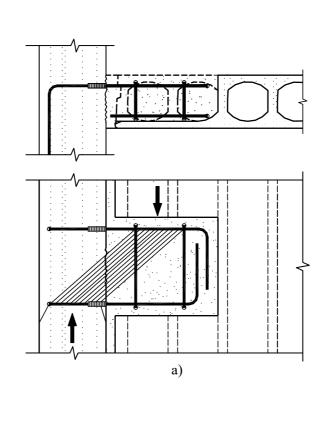


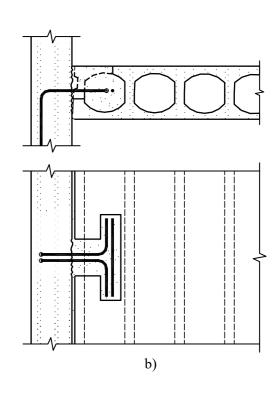
#### DESIGN CHOICES

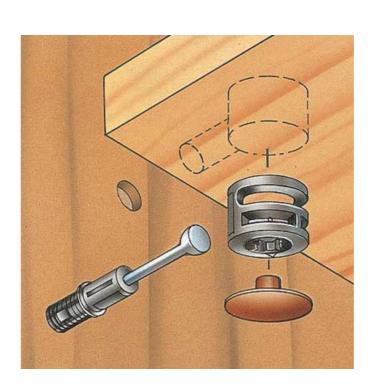
- Bolted
- Welded
- Tension
- Cast
- Form

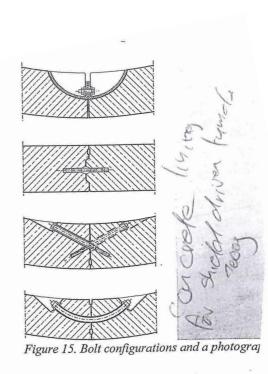
#### BOLTED



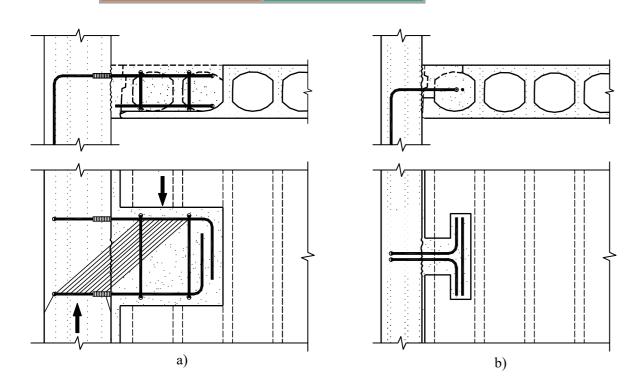


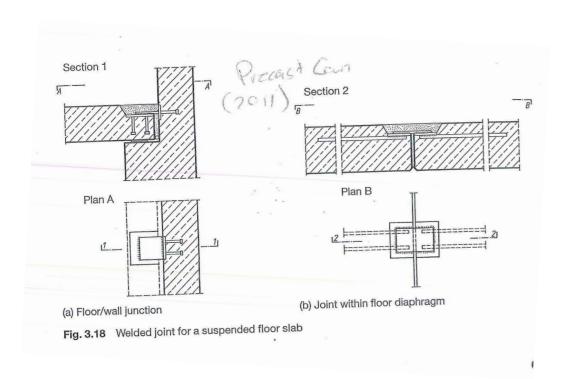


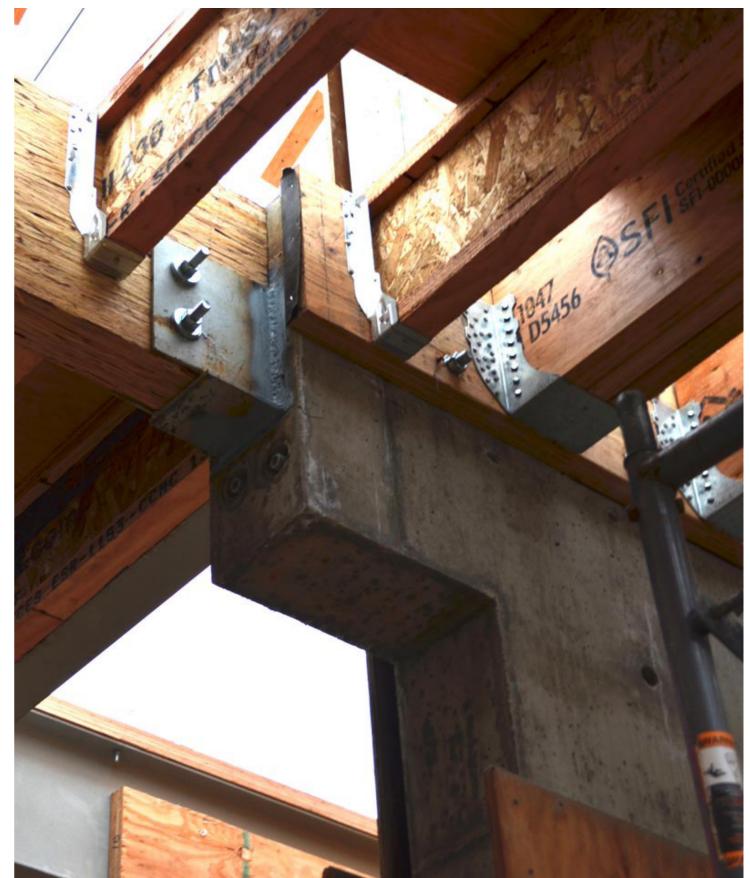




# WELDED

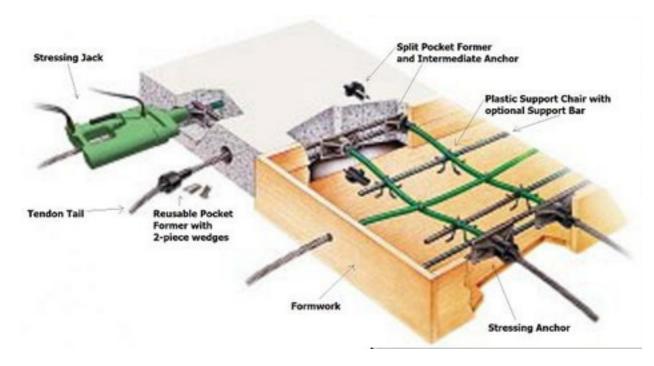


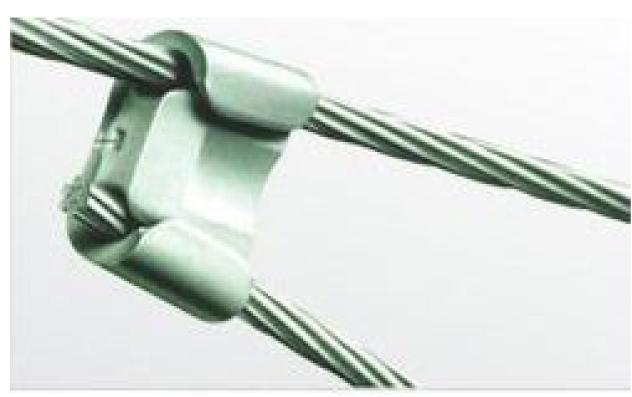


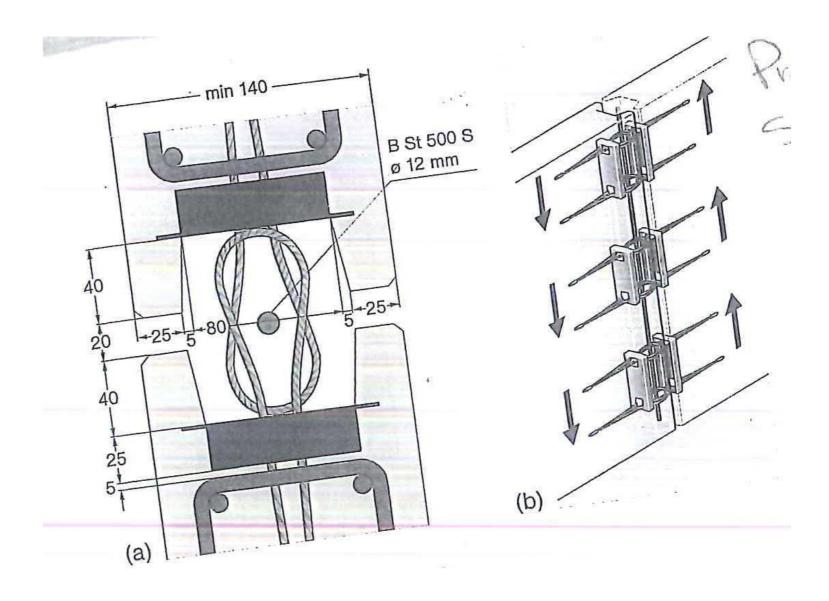


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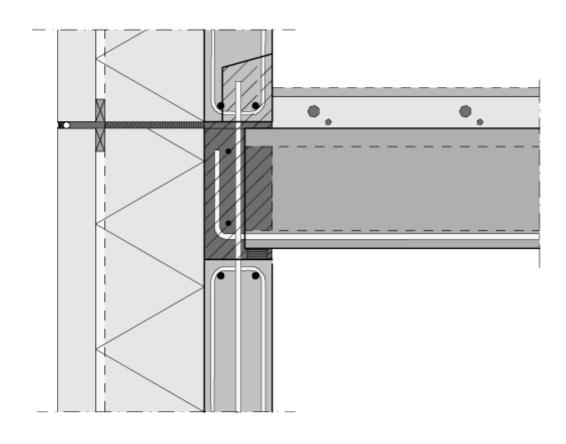
# TENSION







#### CAST



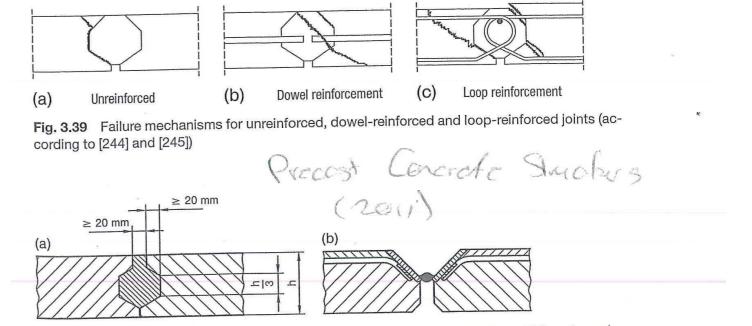
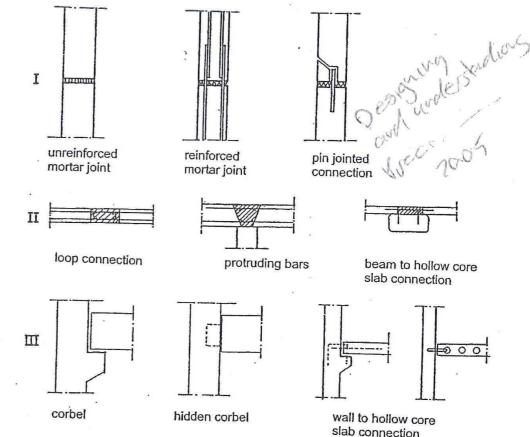


Fig. 3.40 Examples of joints between precast concrete elements to DIN 1045-1 (dims. in mm)

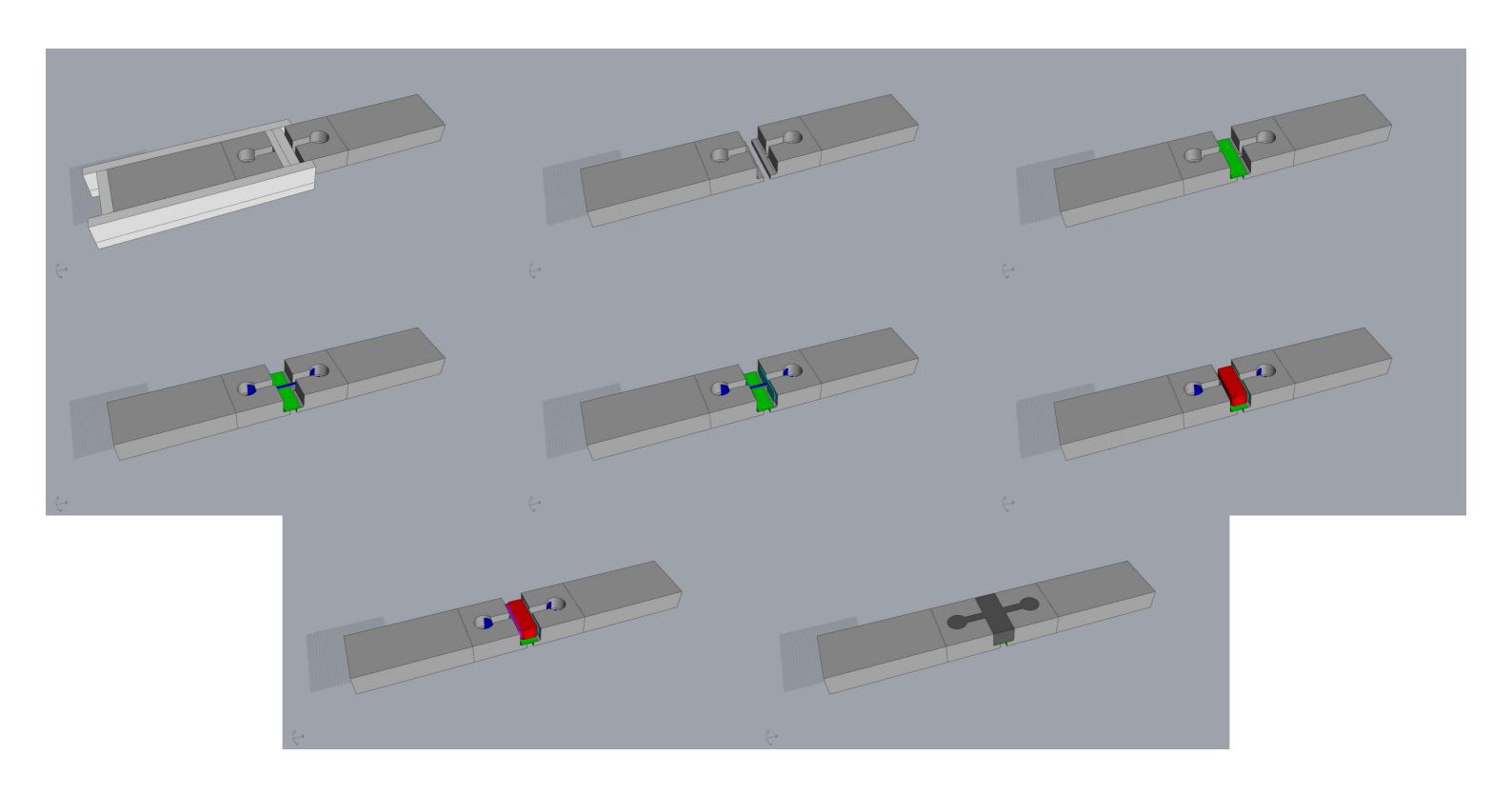


hidden corbel wall to hollow core slab connection

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# PETER EIGENRAAM KNOT



# CONSIDERATIONS

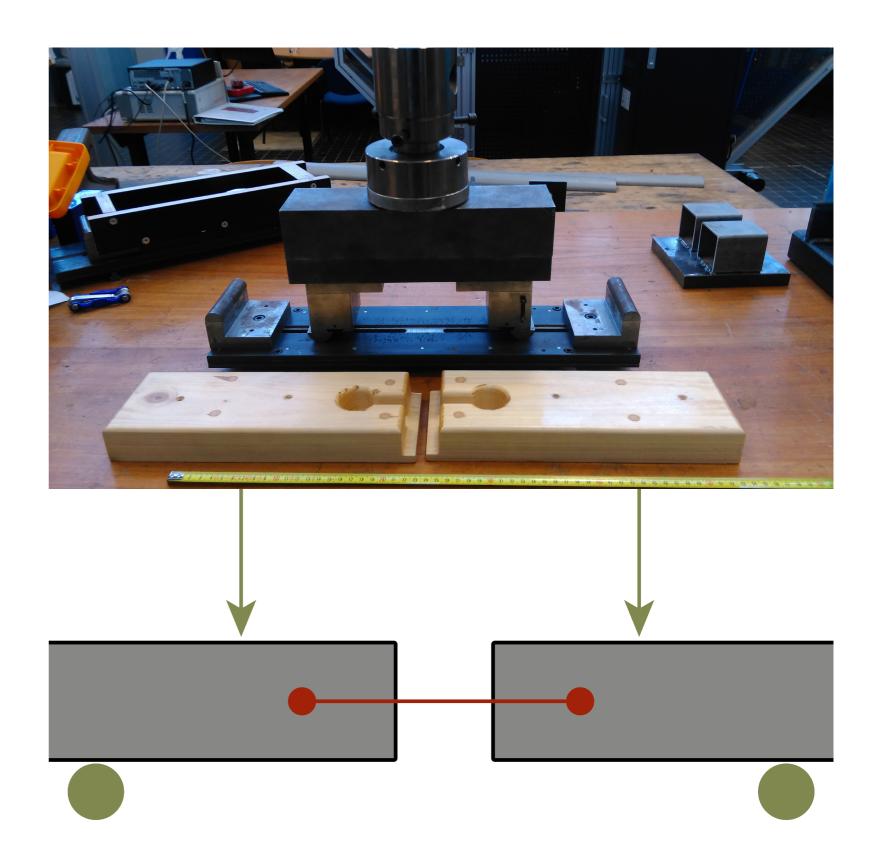
- Wet/Dry
- Demountable/Permanent
- No/Little scaffolding
- Extra Finishing layer?

# **PROTOTY**PE

- If possible
- Build the knot (steel and concrete)
- Scale to fit testing machine
- Make a serie

# TESTING

- If prototype
- Four point bending test
- Test force needed for certain deflection
- Parallel to Analysis



# ANALYSIS

- Digital model for Finite Element Method Anlaysis
- Analyse force needed for certain deflection
- Parallel to Testing

# COMPARING

- Ditermine the quality of the analysis
- Use analysis for further design
- Compare monolithic shell with segmented shell

# **IMPROVING**

- Use results to improve the design
- Test the design with Analysis

#### RESULT

- A feasible knot
- Analysis
- Prefabricated shell structures feasible (yes/no)

#### **PLANNING**

**Event Date** 

P1 14/11/2017

Defining the "Brief"

Literature Study

P2 18/01/2017

Test knot of Peter Eigenraam

Design Dry Knot

Run calculations and Simulations on the design

Start with building the knot

P3 29/03/2017 06/04/2017

Build the knot

Test the kont

Incorporate the results in the design

Make final design

P4 24/05/2017 01/06/2017

Prepare presentation and finish report

P5 01/06/2017 30/06/2017

# QUESTIONS?



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