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COMPLEX MODELLING

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Dermoid - a research project into reciprocal truss frame timber construction. In collaboration with Velux Guest professor Mark Burry, SIAL, RMIT.

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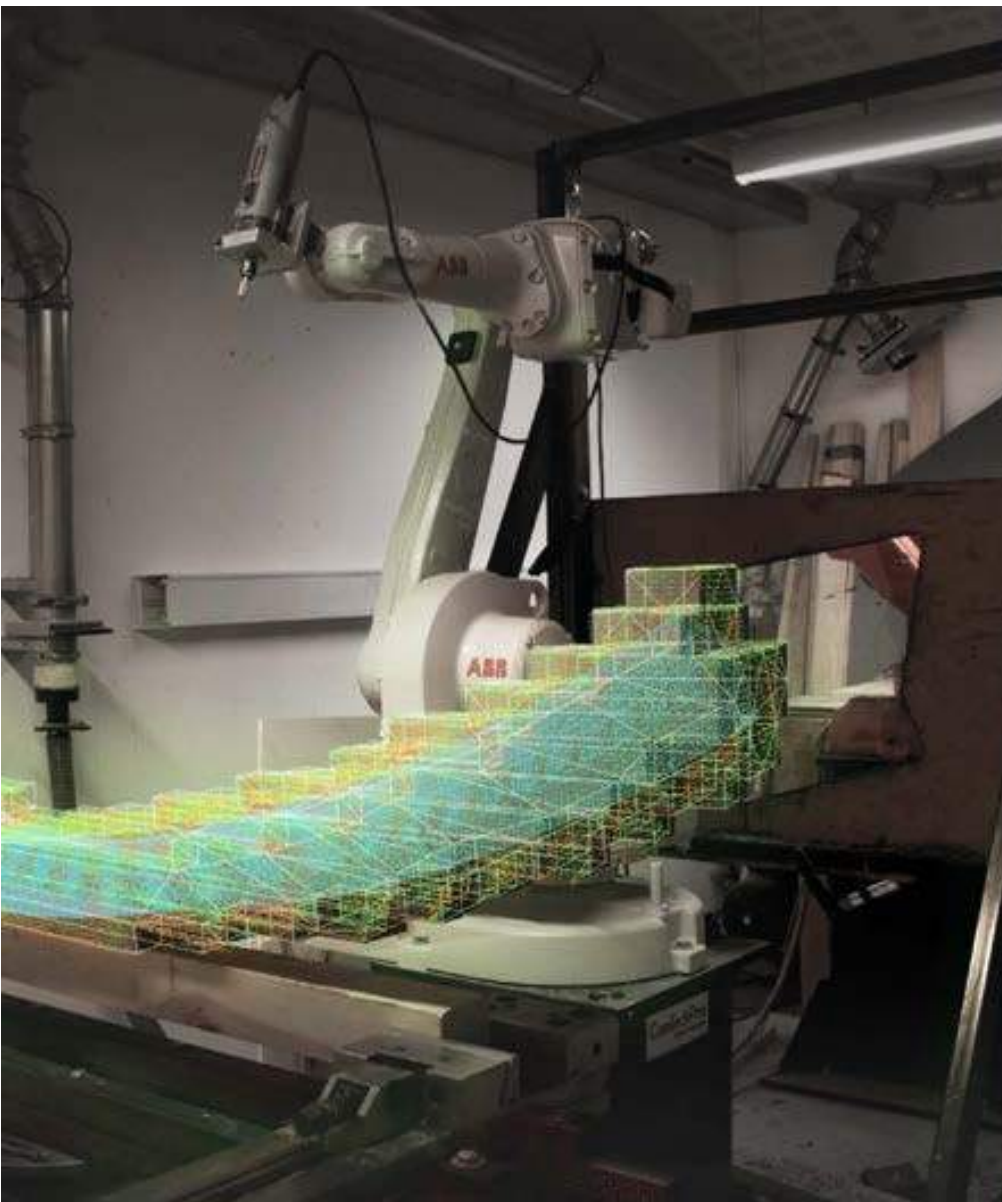
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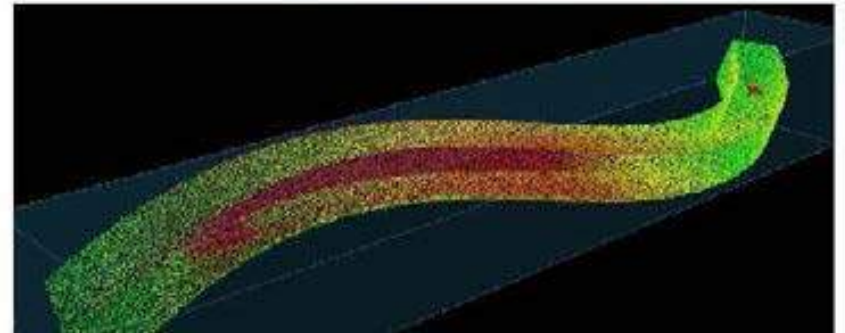
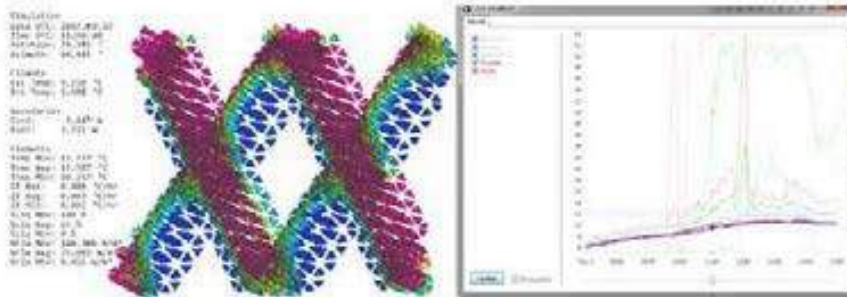
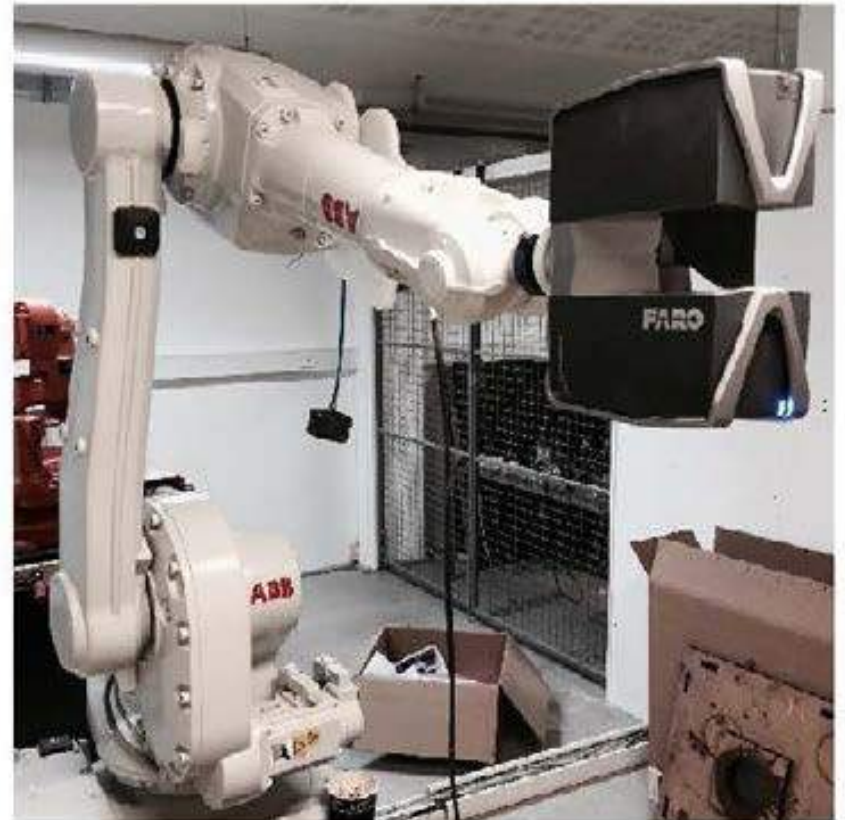
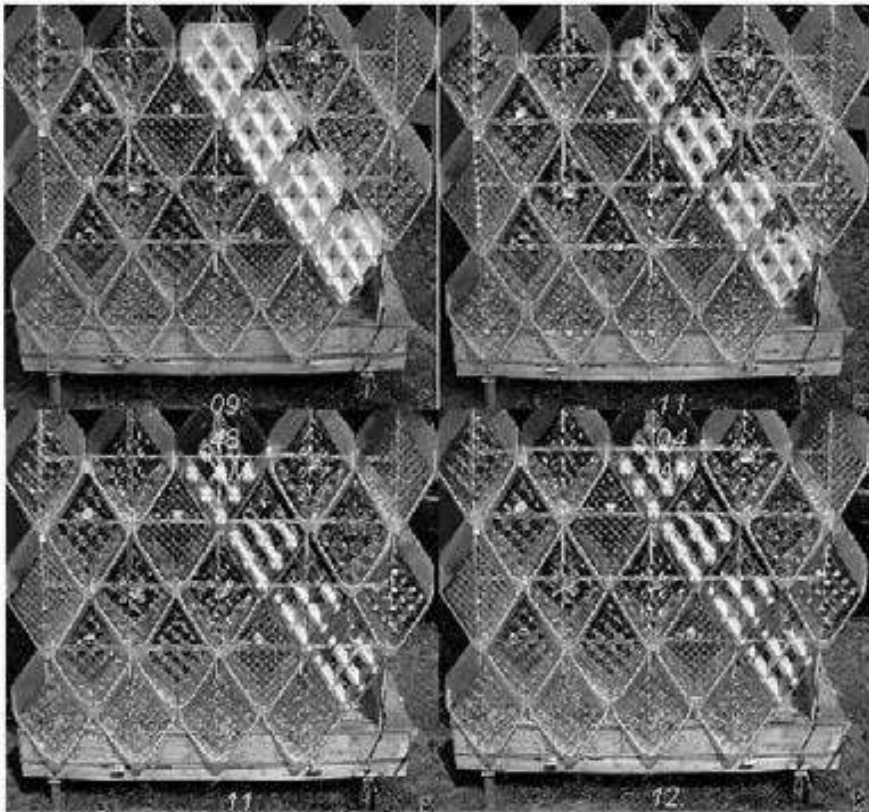
ROBOTIC FABRICATION

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NEW MATERIAL PROCESSES

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BIG DATA AND MACHINE LEARNING *CITA*

A CHALLENGE TO MATERIAL PRACTICE

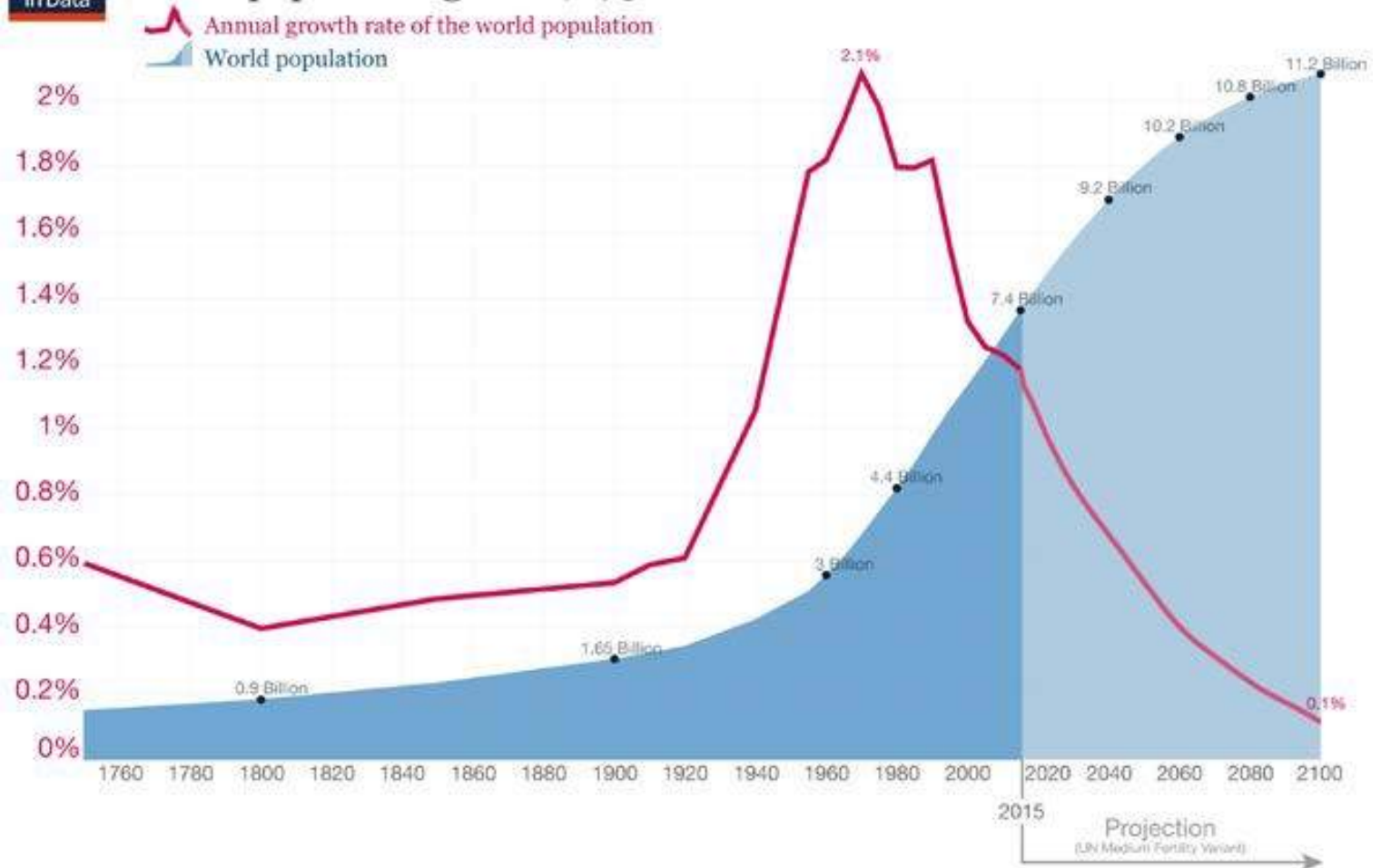
a new relevance ...



CRISIS OF SUSTAINABILITY:POPULATION GROWTH AND URBANISATION

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World population growth, 1750-2100



Data sources: Up to 2015 OurWorldinData series based on UN and HYDE. Projections for 2015 to 2100: UN Population Division (2015) - Medium Variant. The data visualization is taken from OurWorldinData.org. There you find the raw data and more visualizations on this topic.

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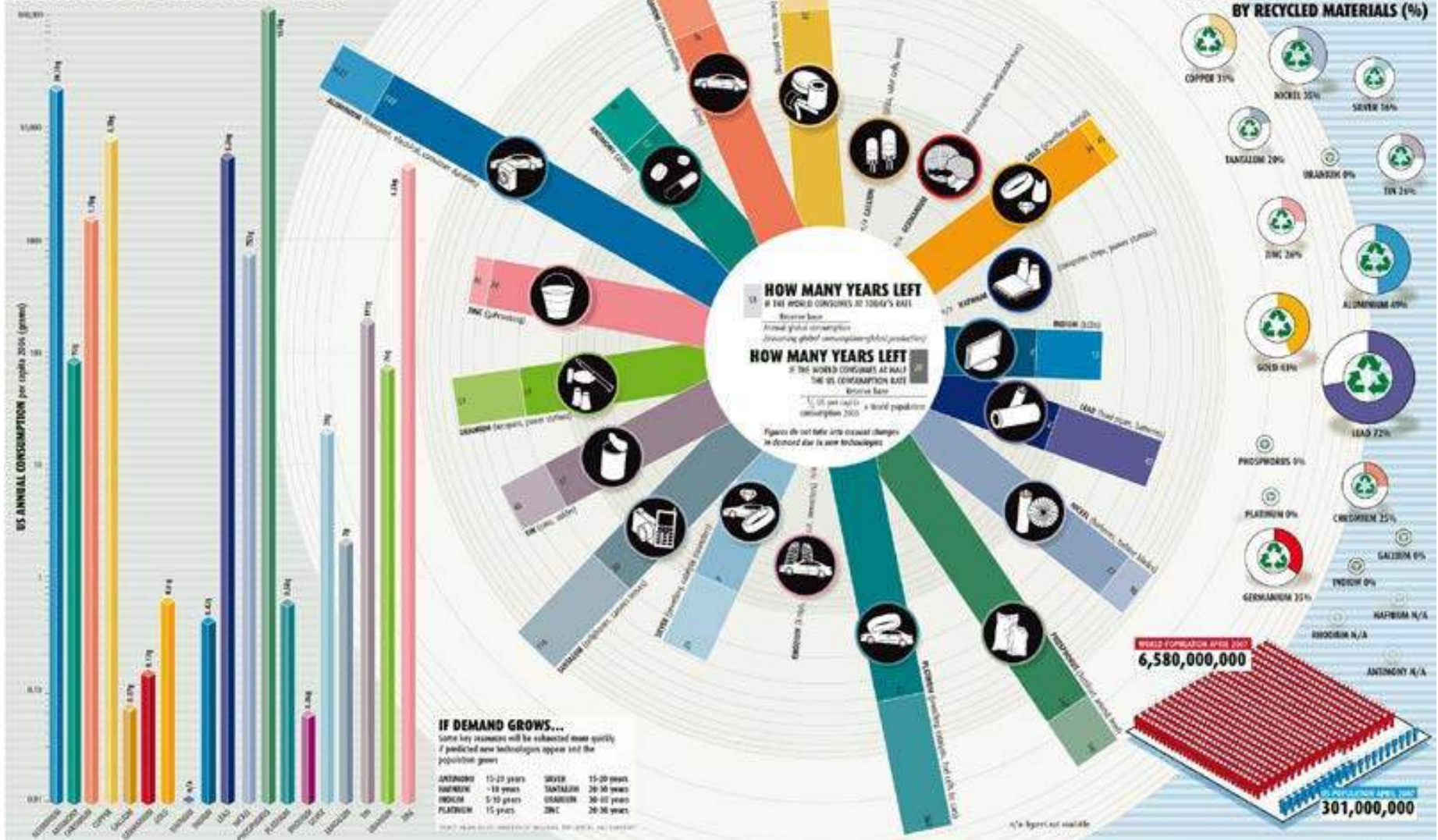
WE ARE SITTING ON AN EXPONENTIAL CURVE



BY 2050, THE WORLD'S URBAN POPULATION IS EXPECTED TO NEARLY DOUBLE, MAKING URBANIZATION ONE OF THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY'S MOST TRANSFORMATIVE TRENDS.

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HOW LONG WILL IT LAST?



OUR RELIANCE ON INDUSTRIALISED FABRICATION HAS FOCUSED MATERIAL PRACTICE ON A SUBSET OF VERY SPECIFIC MATERIALS

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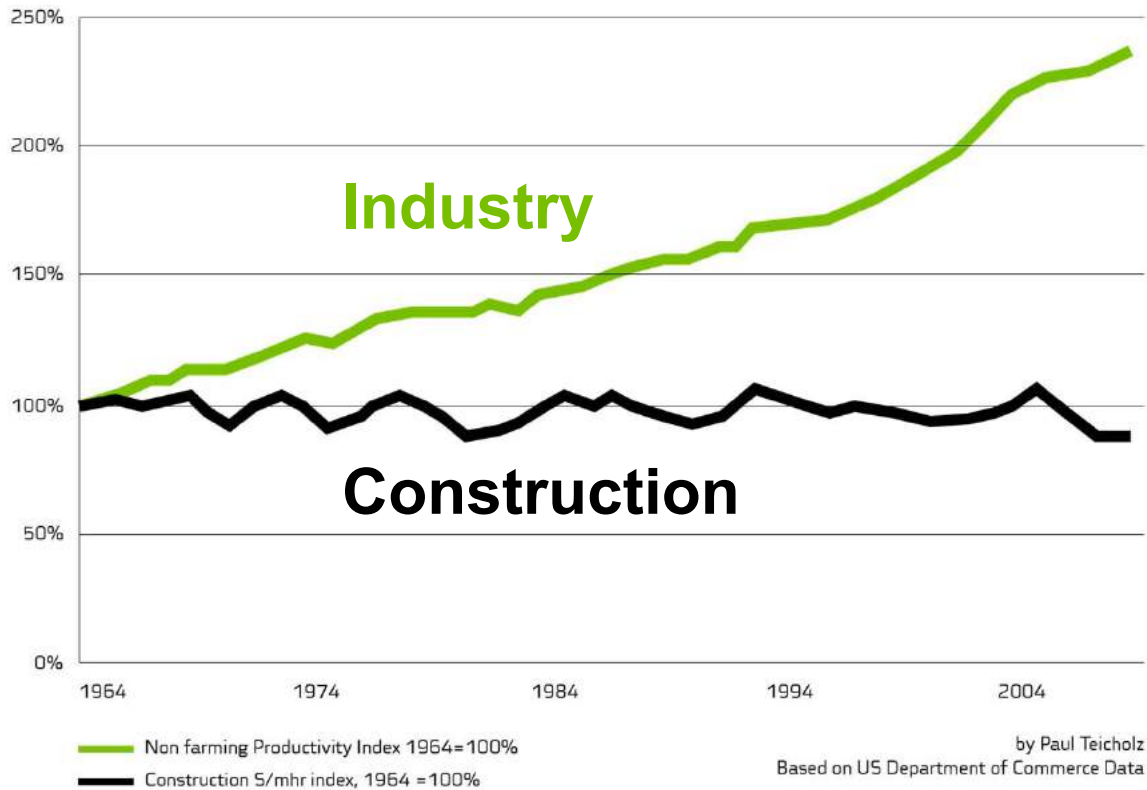
WHERE WE FIND OURSELVES DROWNING IN PLASTIC...

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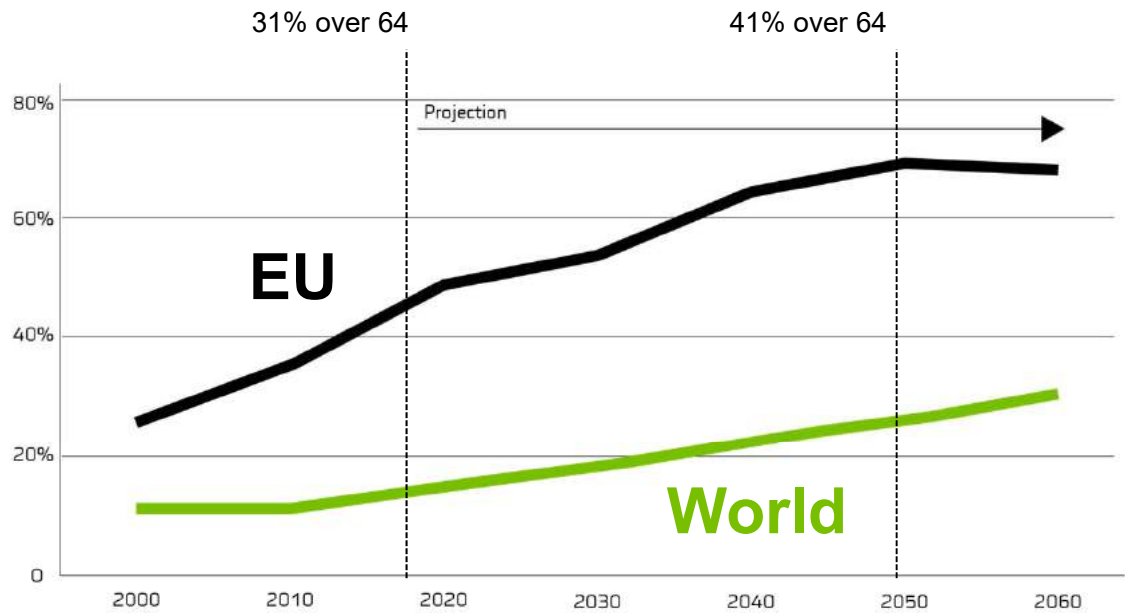


...WE ARE RUNNING OUT OF BASIC AGGREGATES AND MINERALS...

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Zero Increase in Productivity in Construction Industry



Population aged 65 years and over, as % of population aged 15-64

source: PBK AG



Challenge of status quo through Demographic Change

Three ideas:

- *Adaptation*
- *Hyper optimisations*
- *Machine Learning*

ADAPTATION AS MODELLING PARADIGM



THE RISE *EDF Foundation Paris, Martin Tamke, David Stasiuk, Mette Ramsgaard and Hollie Gibbons*



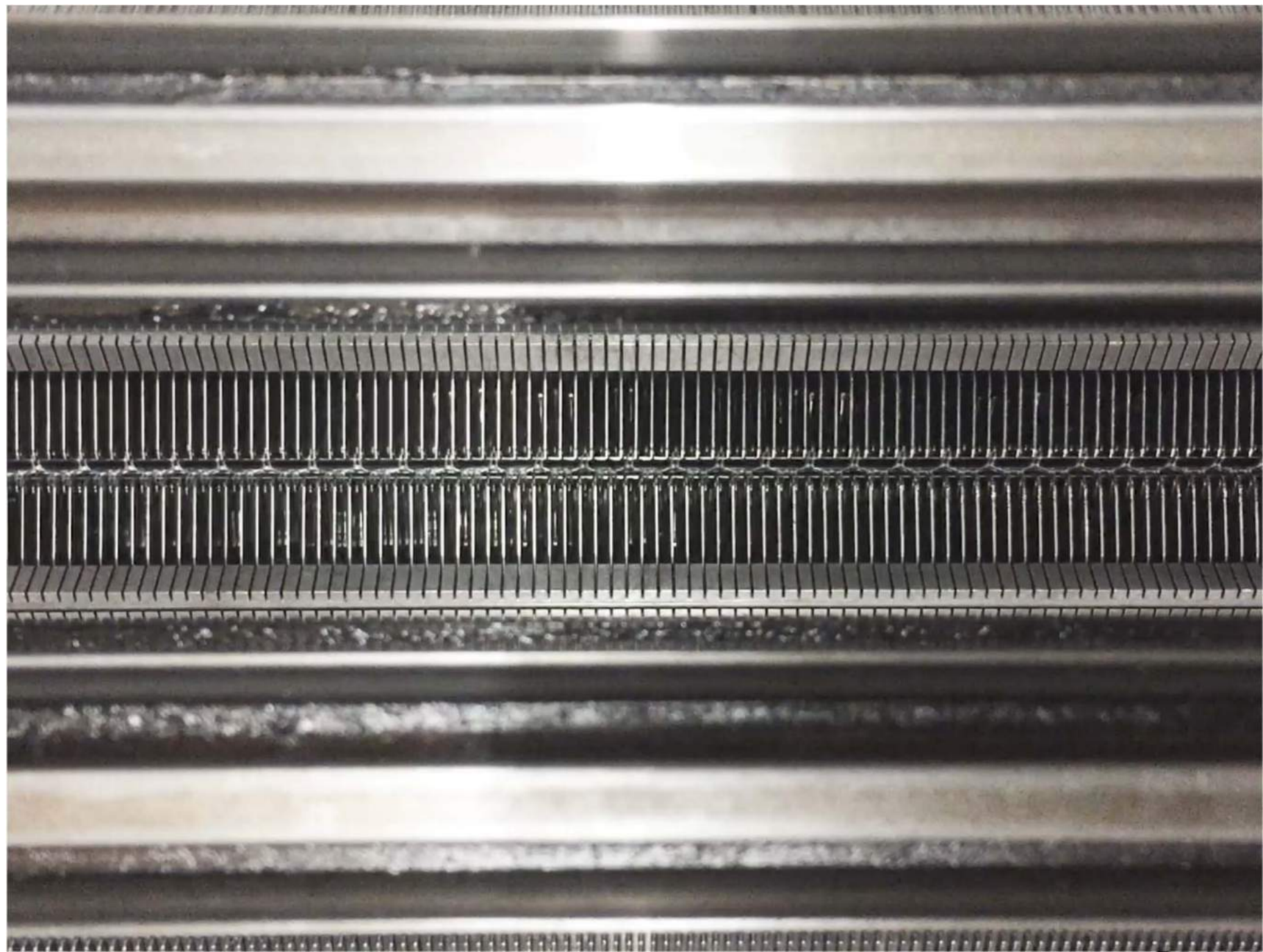
ISOROPIA VENICE BIENNALE 2018 *Martin Tamke, Mette Ramsgaard Thomsen, Yuliya Sinke with AFF and Str.ucture*



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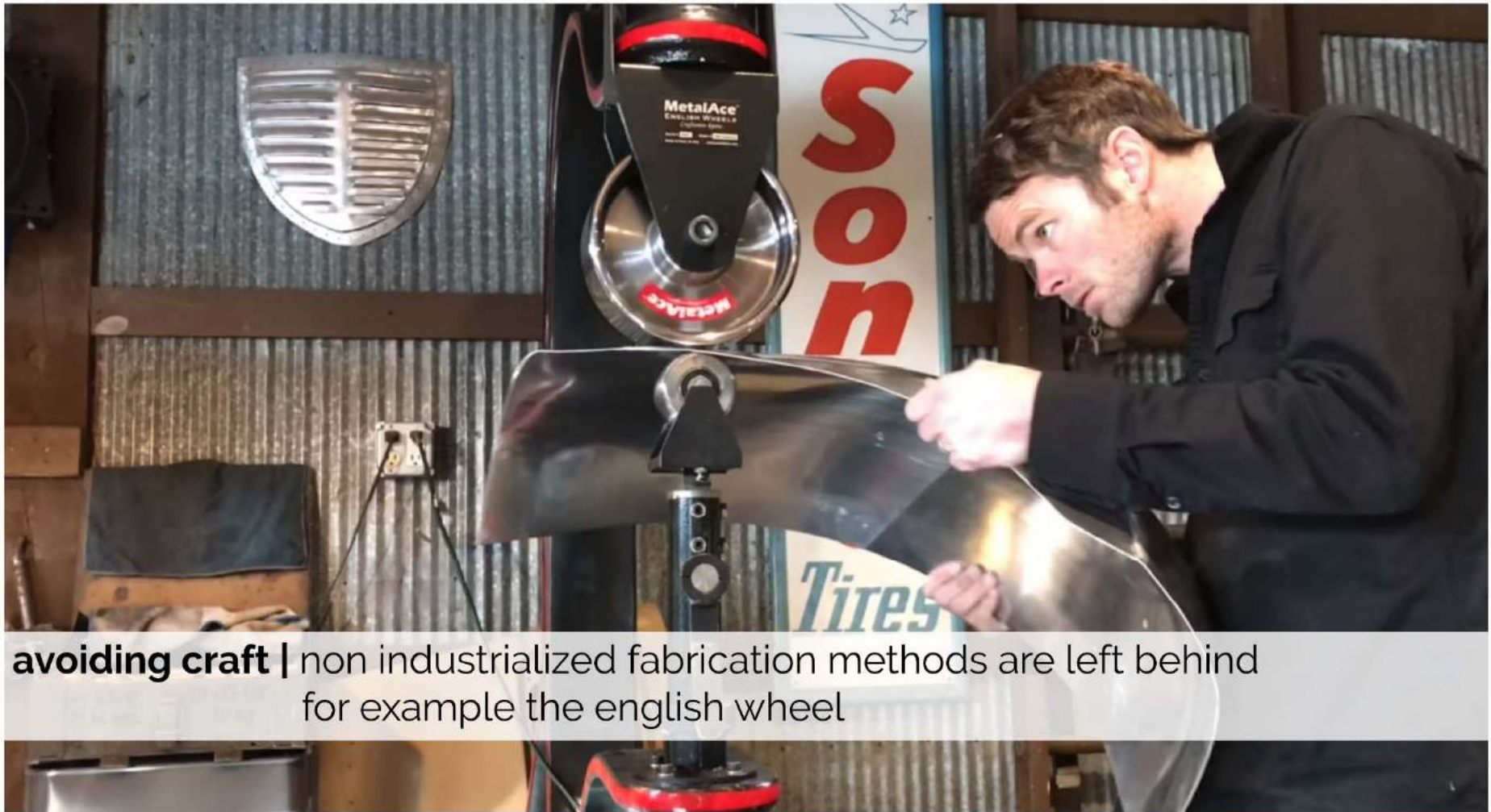


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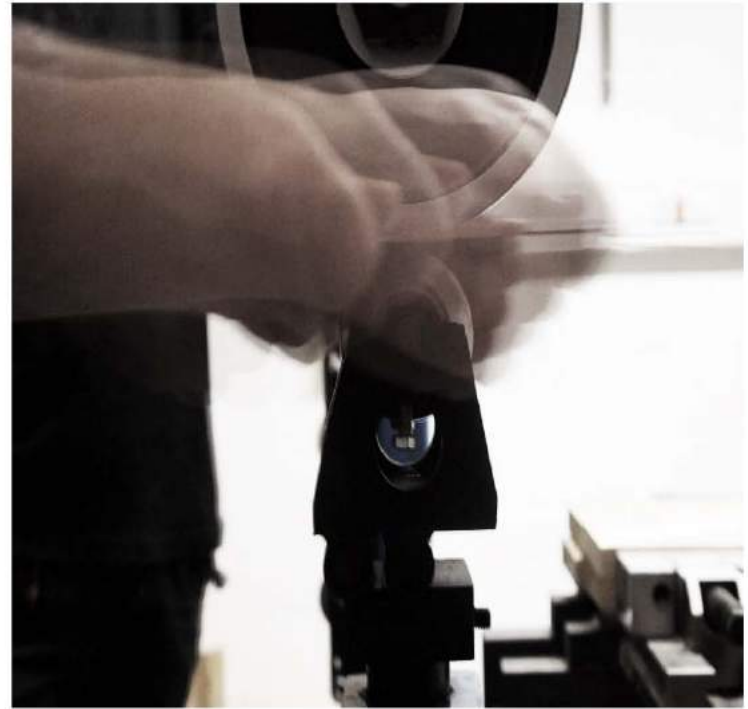


ISOROPIA: HYBRID STRUCTURES: COMPRESSION AND TENSION



avoiding craft | non industrialized fabrication methods are left behind
for example the english wheel

step 1 | Training the hands - Fabrication parameters
observing a craftsman

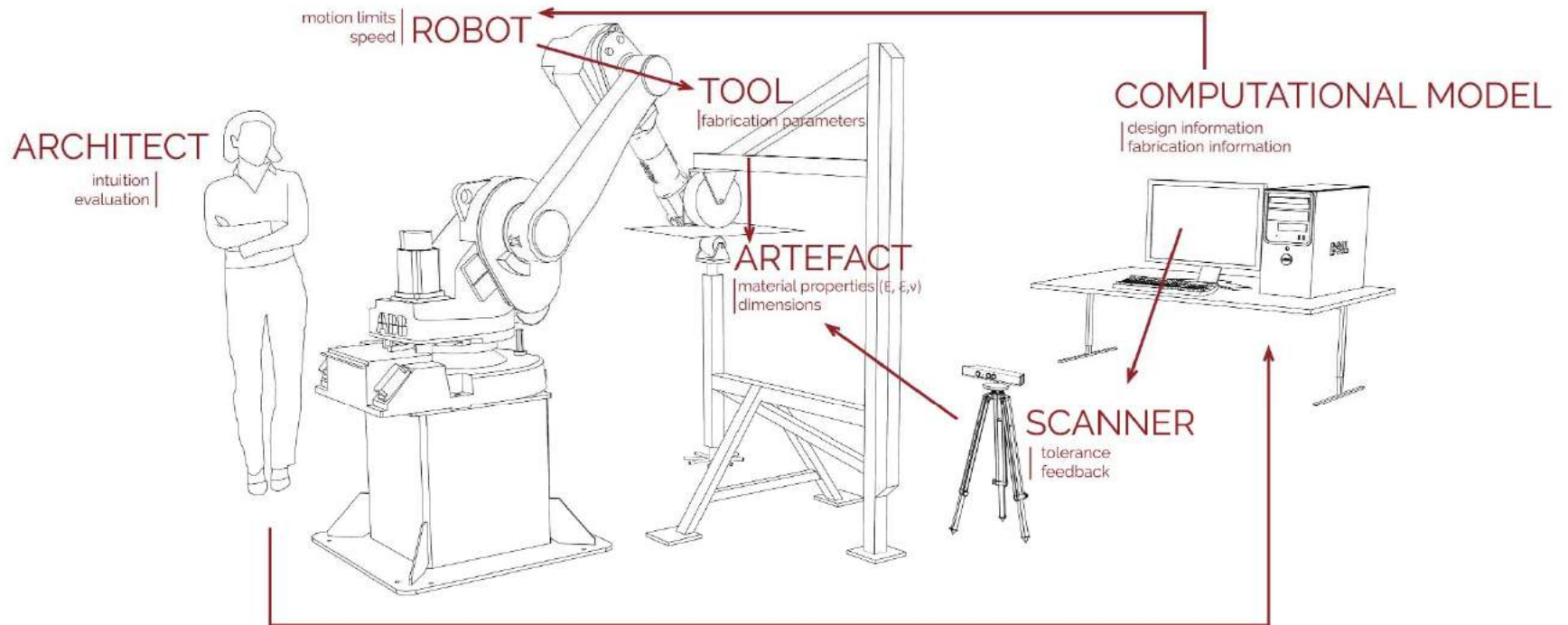


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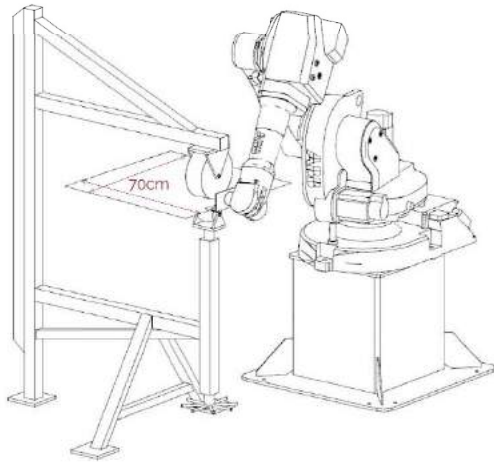


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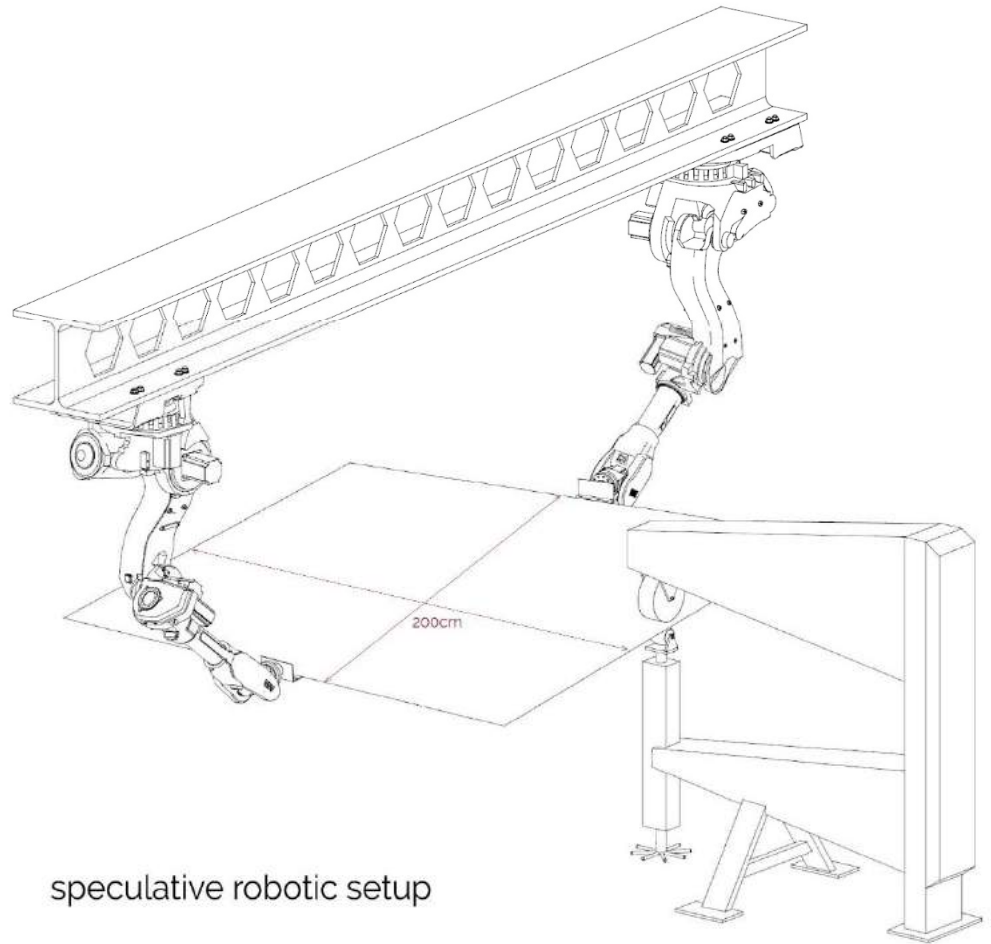
Robot Faber | english wheel cyberphysical system setup



method results | setup scalability



current robotic setup



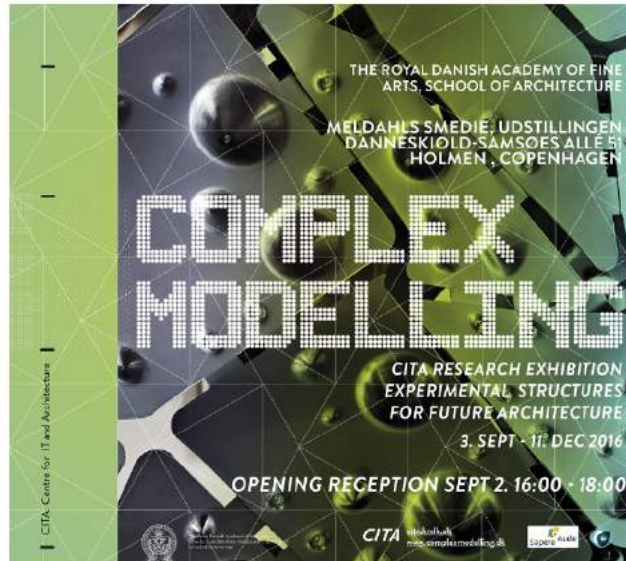
speculative robotic setup

Three Communalities

- *Integrated multiscalar modelling practice*
- *Agency – Automation and Machine Intelligence*
- *Feedback - awareness of Environment*



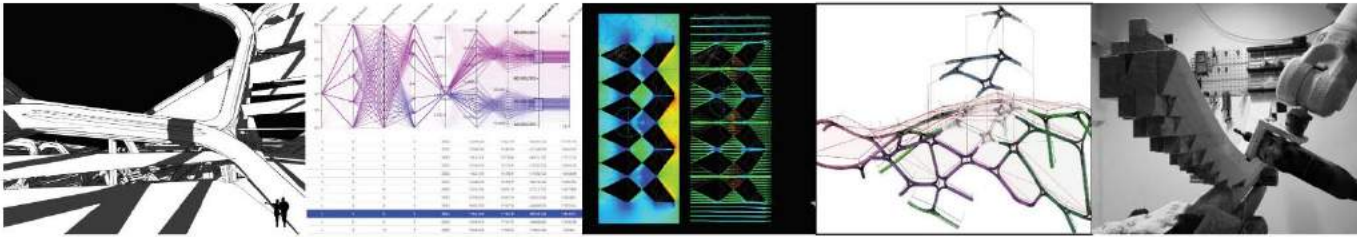
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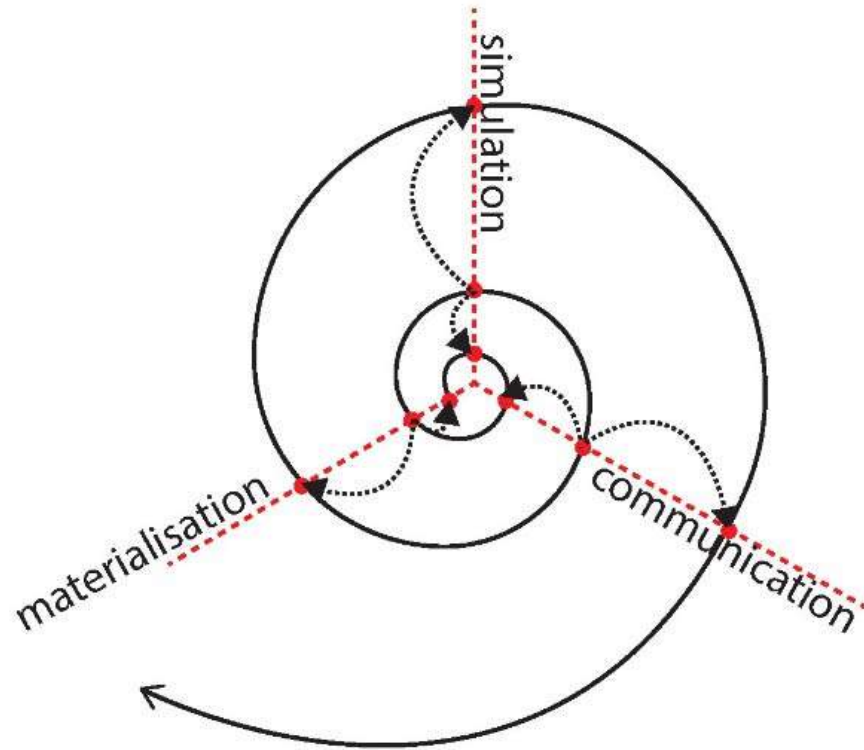
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SIMULATION

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MATERIAL DESIGN

The Digital Chain



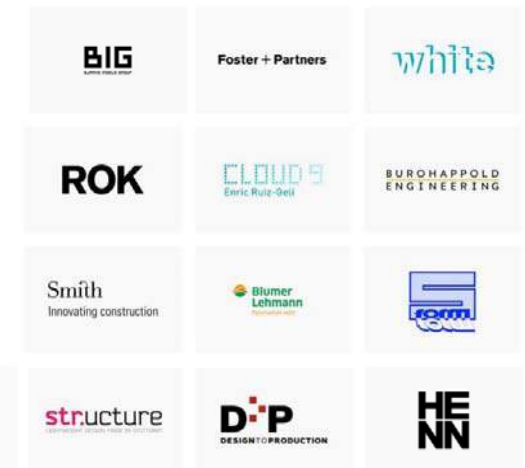
THE OPPORTUNITY OF FEEDBACK IN THE DESIGN CHAIN

CHALLENGING

THE TRADITIONAL THINKING OF DESIGN

INNOCHAIN PROJECT

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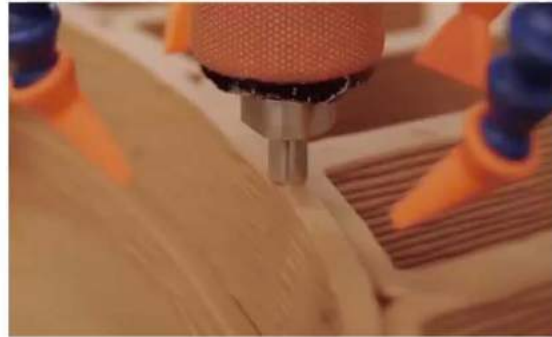
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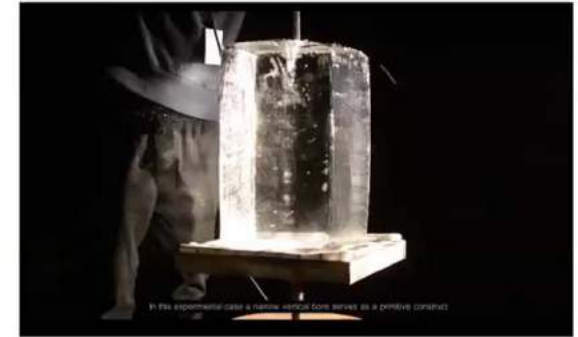
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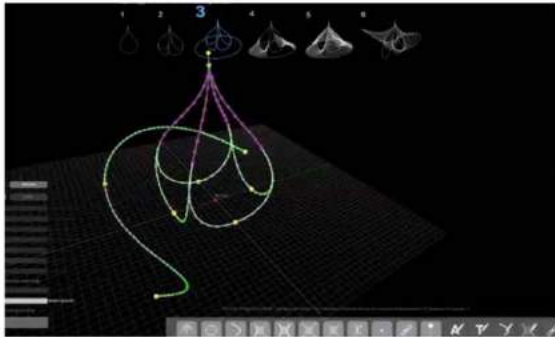
ESR08- VIRTUAL PROTOTYPING FRP



ESR13- APPLIED ROBOTICS – CONTROLLED MATERIAL DEPOSITION



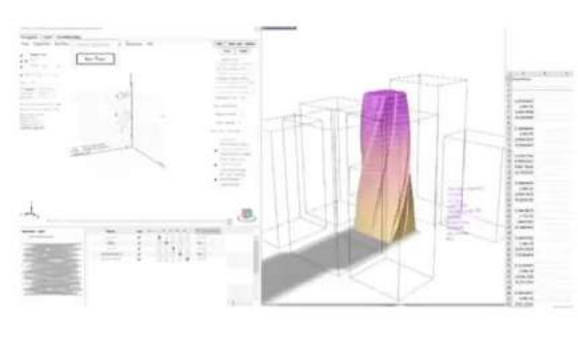
ESR09- SIMULATING CONCRETE FORMWORK



ESR01- INTEGRATING ISOGEOMETRIC ANALYSIS



ESR15 – SMALL SCALE ROBOTIC MANUFACTURING



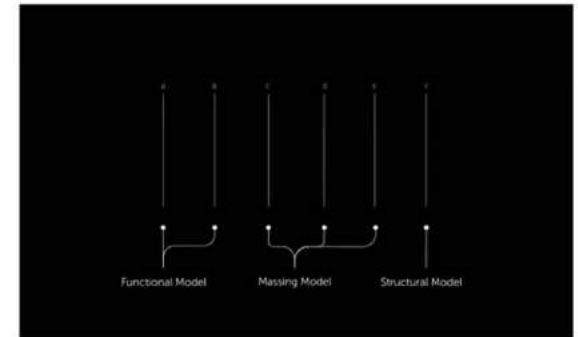
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ESR12- MATERIAL GRADIENT FRP



ESR10- SIMULATING ROBOTIC FEEDBACK

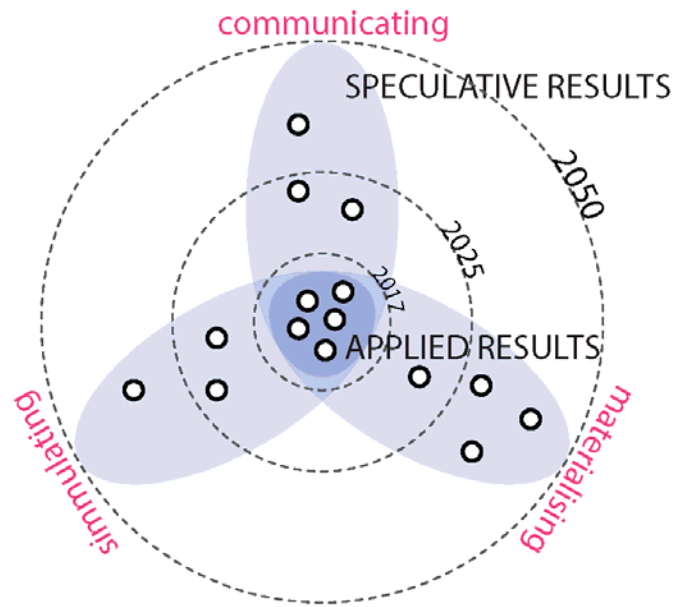


ESR01- INTEGRATING ISOGEOMETRIC ANALYSIS

Projects



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ESR 9 - VASILY SITNIKOV / ICE FORMED CONCRETE CASTING

PROJECT DESIGN: APPLIED RESEARCH <--> BASIC RESEARCH



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ESR 2 - TOM SVILANS - ROBOTIC TOOLSET AT CITA AND INDUSTRIAL PARTNERS BLUMER LEHMAN

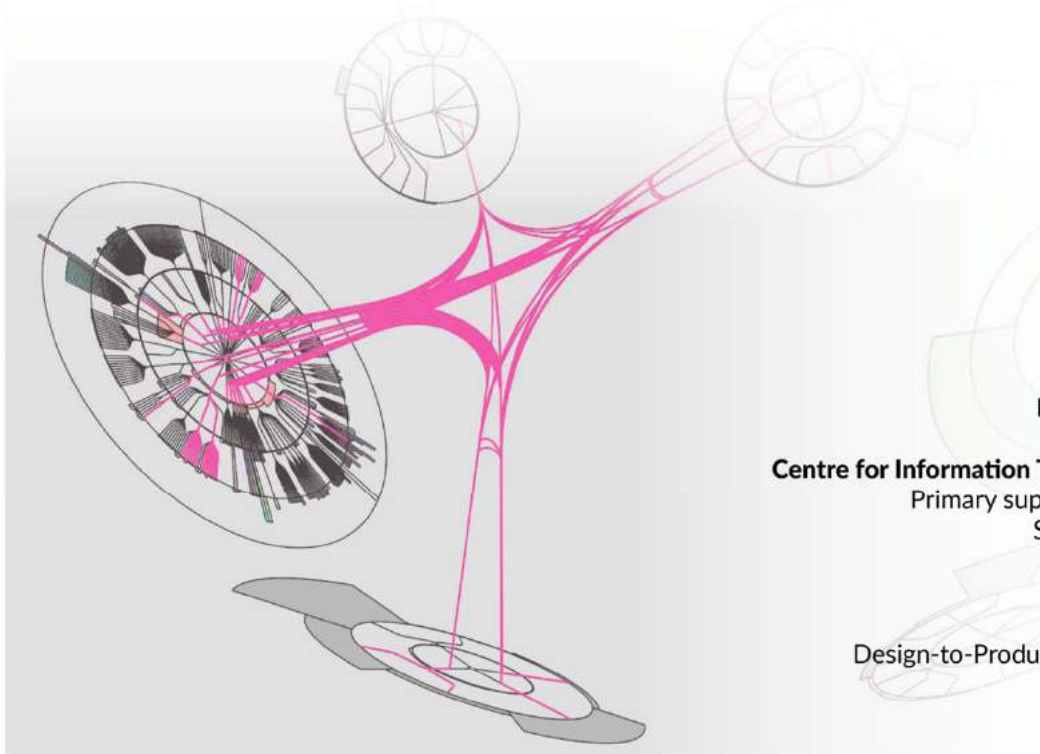
ACADEMIA – INDUSTRY:
SHARED METHODS AND PRACTICES



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Multi-Scalar Modelling, Schema-Based Workflows and Search Interfaces for Building Design

Learning and building from the current challenges faced by the AEC industry



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The computational "jewelry"
Material specific, seamless design...



Panikkar, 2014, CODA



A Bridge Too Far, 2016, CITA



Hybrid Tower, 2016, CITA



ICD/ITKE Research Pavilion 2013-14



ICD/ITKE Research Pavilion 2014-15



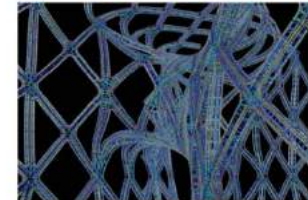
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Industry

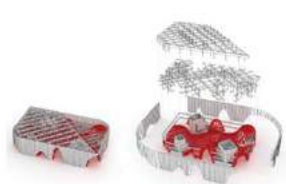
The Building Industry
Element clashes, large diversity of elements/materials...



Louisiana State Sports Hall Of Fame



City of Dreams (Zaha Hadid Architects)



French Pavilion at the Expo 2015



Cité Musicale (Shigeru Ban, 2017)

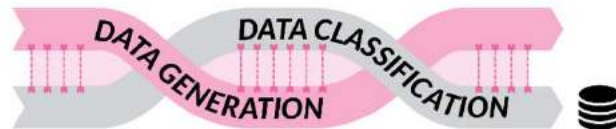


Louis Vuitton Foundation (Frank Gehry).

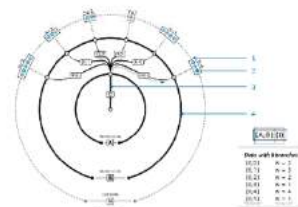


Barclays Center (ShoP Architects, 2012)

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1. the **generation of data** and its **classification** are **highly intertwined** and **integrated**: the **generation of data** leads directly to its **classification**.
2. the user can't or can hardly operate any changes on the data classification itself, without affecting the generative design process.
3. hardly sustainable at late design stages.



The "dynamic" DataTree

Industry



1. the **generation of data** and its **classification** are **independent** from each other: they can be (but are not necessarily) intertwined.
2. the user is free to operate classification changes whenever he wants during the design process. Classification features (such as names and attributes) can be introduced/developed/refined before, during and after the generation of data.
3. proved to be sustainable at late design stages.



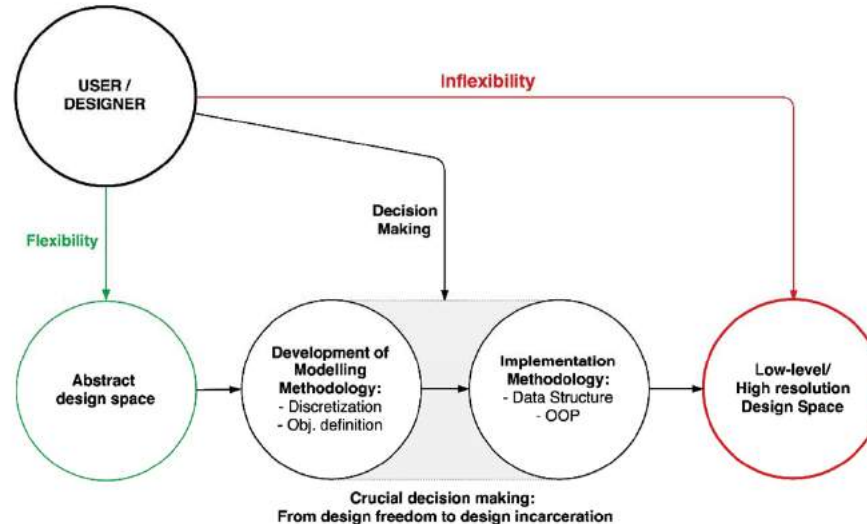
The "static" LayerTable

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We have the luxury to have a **total control over the design intent** across all scales and predict perfectly the outcome at early design stages. Integrative design workflows can be deployed until all parameters are full-filled.

Industry

The **design intent is a fallacy**. Design happens throughout the project with the participation of all trades until completion of the building.



"Premature optimization is the root of all evil." (Knuth, 1972)

Early design strategies

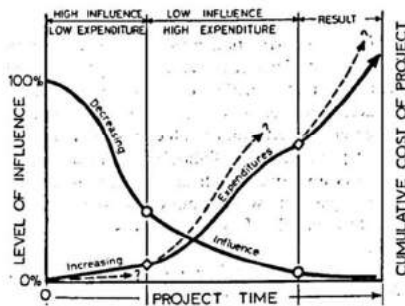
Facing the classical “cost-of-change problem”...

...the usual “**early design**” answer...

...and methods.

PROBLEM OBSERVATION

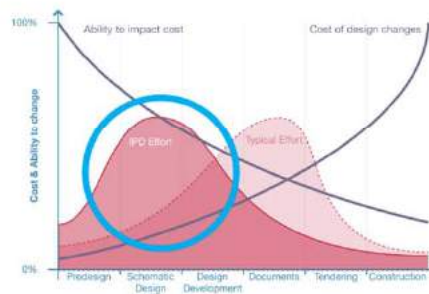
The cost of design changes increases during the timeline of the project



Paulson's curve (1976)

PROPOSED SOLUTION

The design effort should be placed at early design stage in the project



Paulson and MacLeamy's curve (Davis, 2013)

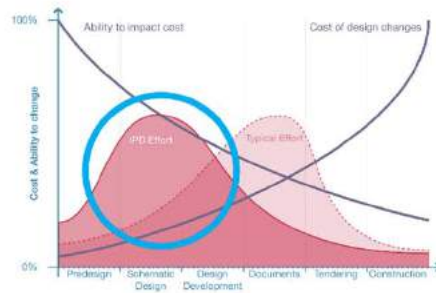
PROPOSED METHODS

Early design research activities

- **early design** analysis
- **early design** decisions
- **early design** data management
- **early design** simulations
- **early design** optimizations
- **early design** machine learning
- **early design**... ?

We need to tackle the problem from the other end of the spectrum...

Late changes can be prevented...

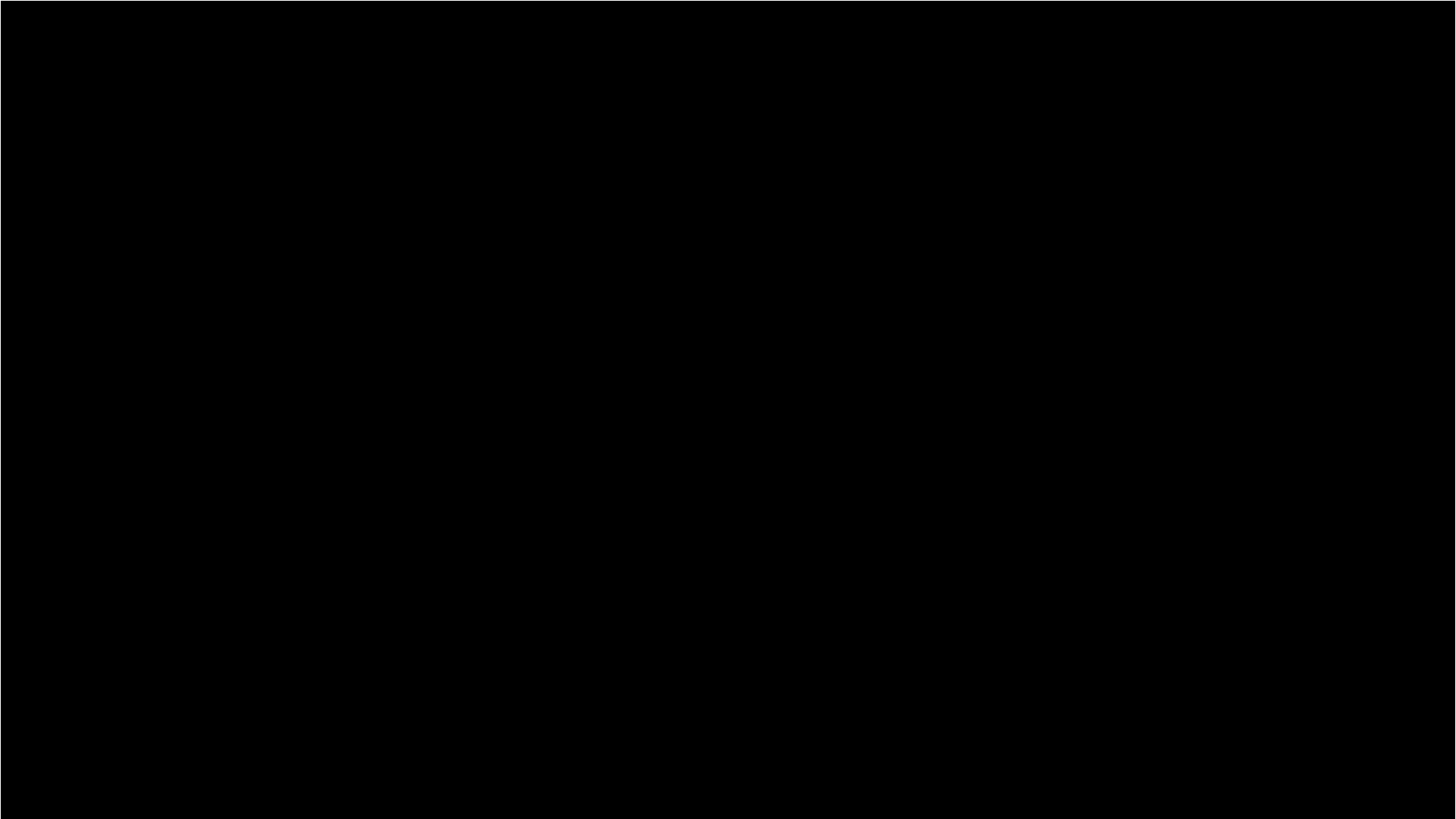


Paulson and MacLeamy's curve (Davis, 2013)

...but they will most probably have to be challenged...



The **late stages of large scale and complex architectures** remain challenging because it contains a **huge amount of intricate data** that needs to be **communicated and accessed between different trades and across scales**. In the best scenario, this large data set is well **organized** through a **selectable Directory Structure**, or a **Layer Table**.

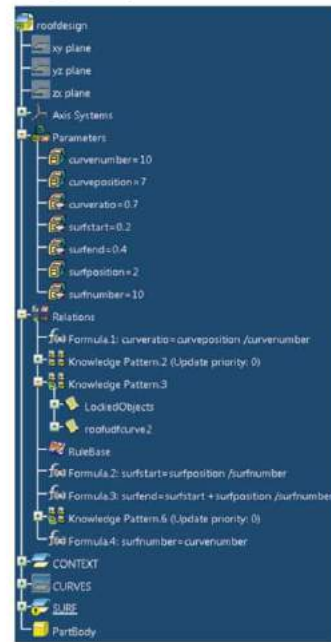


State of the art in organizing data

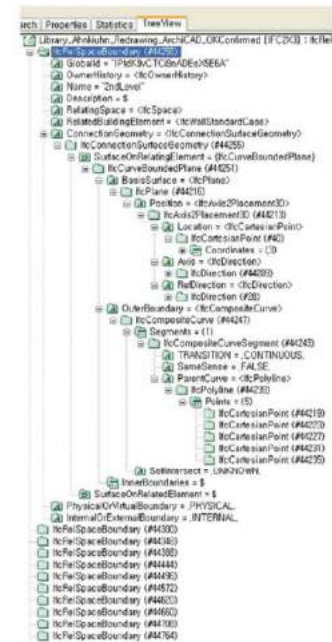
The LayerTable in Rhino3D

■ D2P					
■ STMB - Straps for Main Beam					
■ SSRF - Socket Surface					
■ SPPT - Support					
■ SIBM - Sil Beam					
■ SHBM - Shadow Main Beam					
■ SBSG - Sil Beam Segment					
■ RIBM - Rib Beam					
RIBM_Volume					
RIBM_Types tag					
■ RIBM_Operations					
RIBM_Drill Diameter					
RIBM_Drill Axis					
RIBM_Nesting Group					
RIBM_Exported					
RIBM_Curves					
■ OSRF - Opening Surface					
■ MSRF - Master Surface					
■ MNSG - Main Beam Segment					
MNSG_Volume					
MNSG_Operations					
MNSG_PocketRib					
MNSG_MarkShoe					
MNSG_MainBeam					
MNSG_DrillPosition					
MNSG_DrillDowel					
MNSG_Nesting Group					
MNSG_Joints					
MNSG_Exported					
MNSG_Export					
MNSG_NestingOutline					
MNSG_ExportLabel					
MNSG_Deleted Volume					
MNSG_Cutters					
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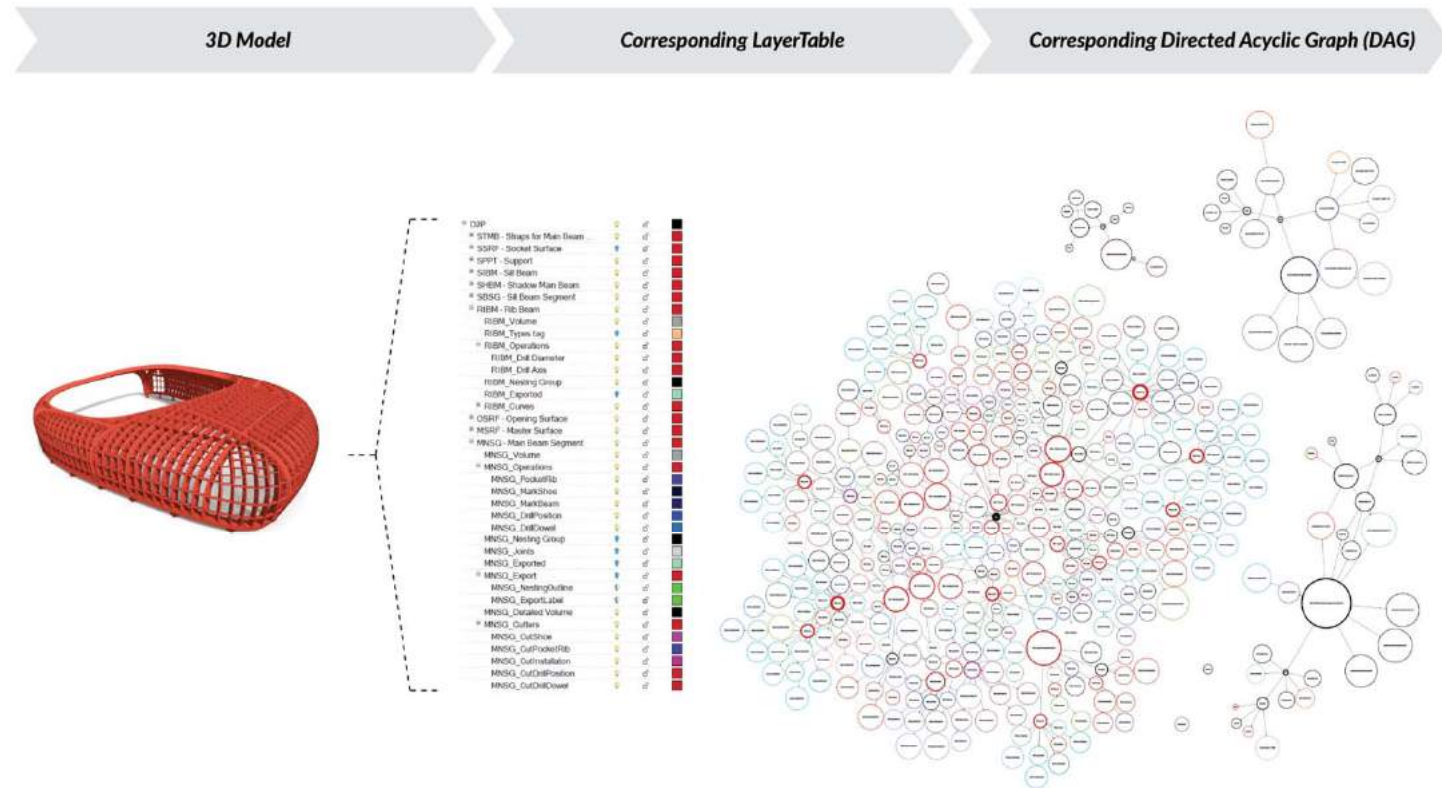
The Tree Directory in Digital Project



The IFC Tree Structure for BIM



Investigation of the data structure developed at **Design-To-Production**



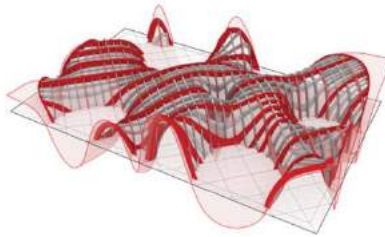
Comparing the “DNA” of different building models...

Scale: 19 meter high
Elements: More than 600 CNC-cut timber panels



Ski World-Championship (St. Moritz, Switzerland, 2017)
Image Courtesy of Design-To-Production

Scale: 12 meter high
Elements: 730 curved structural segments

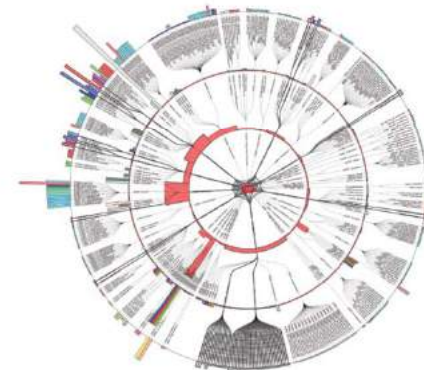
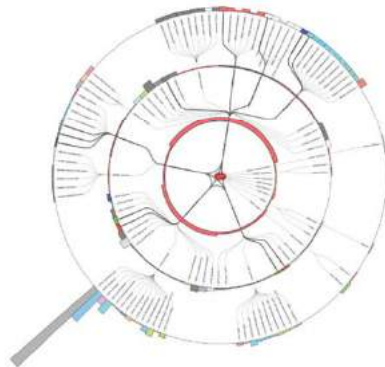
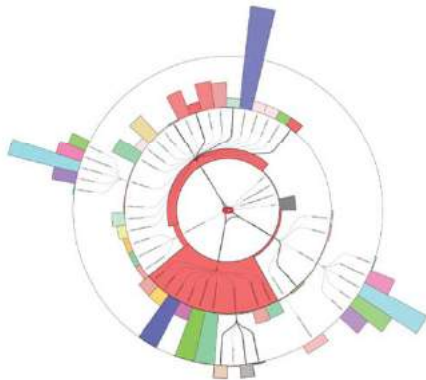


French Expo-Pavilion (Milan, Italy, 2015)
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Scale: 7-8 meter high
Elements: 1300 unique timber parts



Terminal Pavilions Oslo (Oslo, Norway, 2016)
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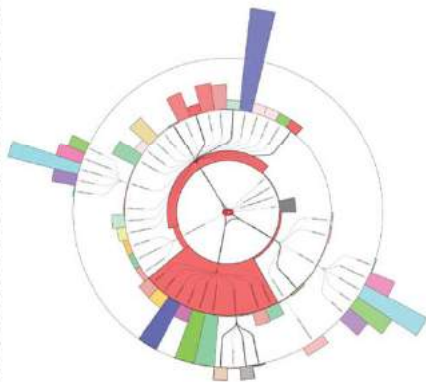
Comparing the “DNA” of different building models...

Embedded Rationality / Pre-rationalization

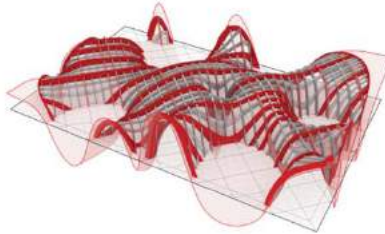
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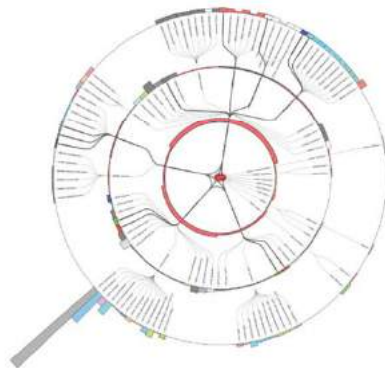
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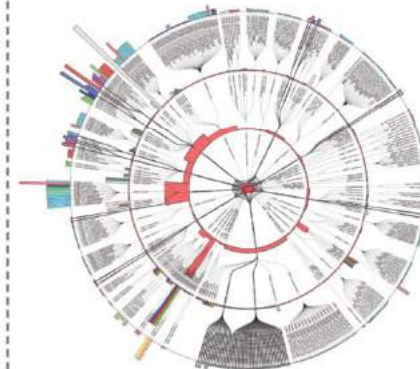


Post-rationalization

Scale: 7-8 meter high
Elements: 1300 unique timber parts



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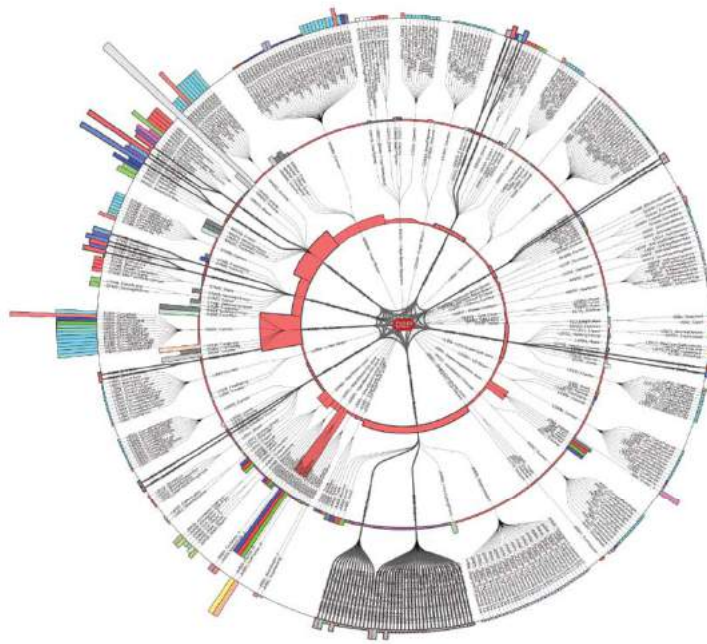


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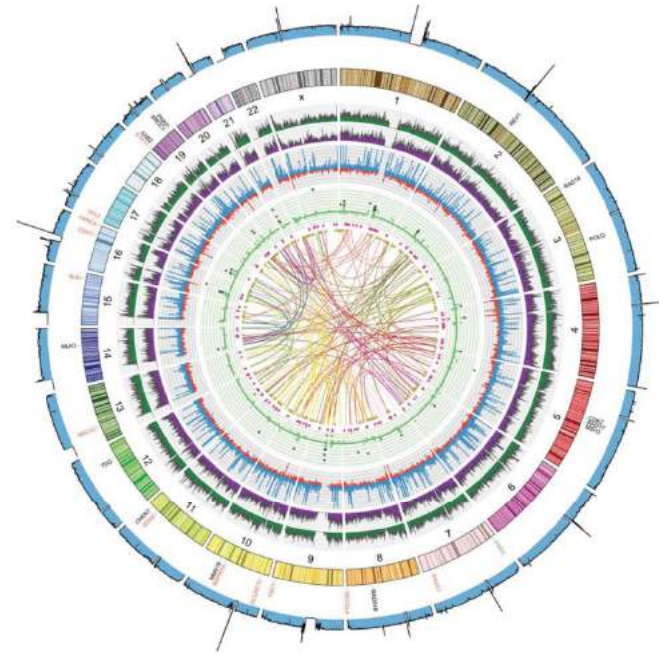
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Spheres of knowledge

Comparison between the building model and existing applications in other fields, such as genomics

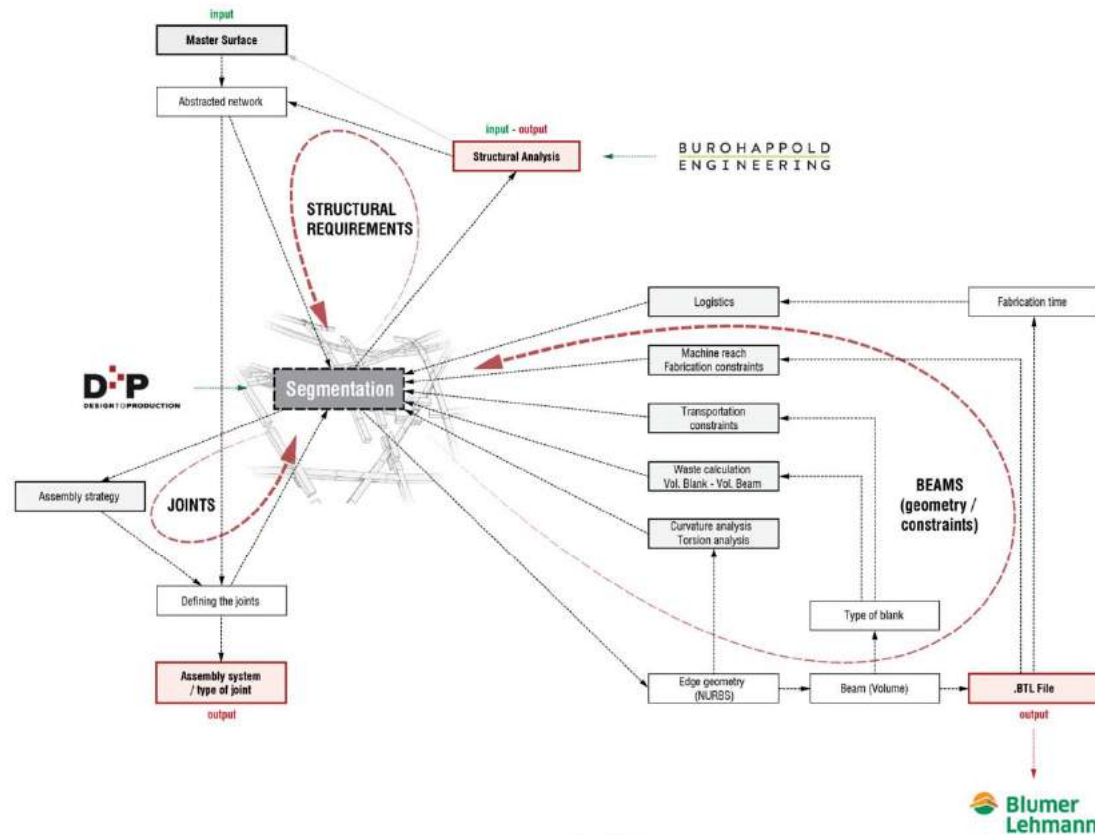


3D Model's LayerTable plot of the M3 Terminal Pavilion in Oslo



Circos plot summarizing the overall patterns of genetic variants (Xiaoyuan Li et al. 2015)

Extending the design concerns to the external stakeholders?



Recurring pattern: the wicked problem of design interoperability

Proposing **local solutions** for **local problems**

*There are many **decentralised and local communication bridges** that attempt to **overcome the constantly growing multitude of centralized software solutions**. Nevertheless, most of them are **bespoke plugins** that use **closed protocols**, resulting into a **fragmented landscape** that limits the interoperability.*



Models should be derived from the database, and not the opposite.

WHAT'S THE POINT OF DYNAMO?

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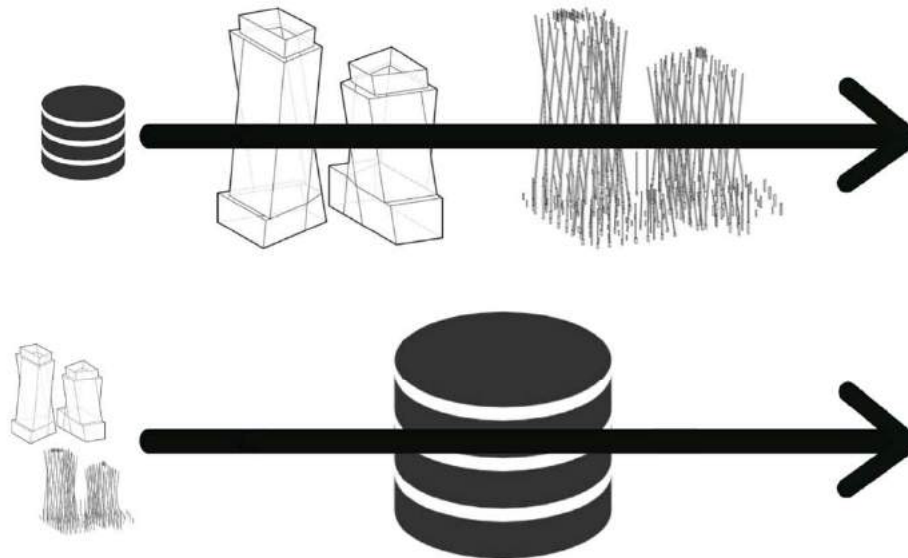
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03 Where should we put model intelligence? Interoperable platform connections

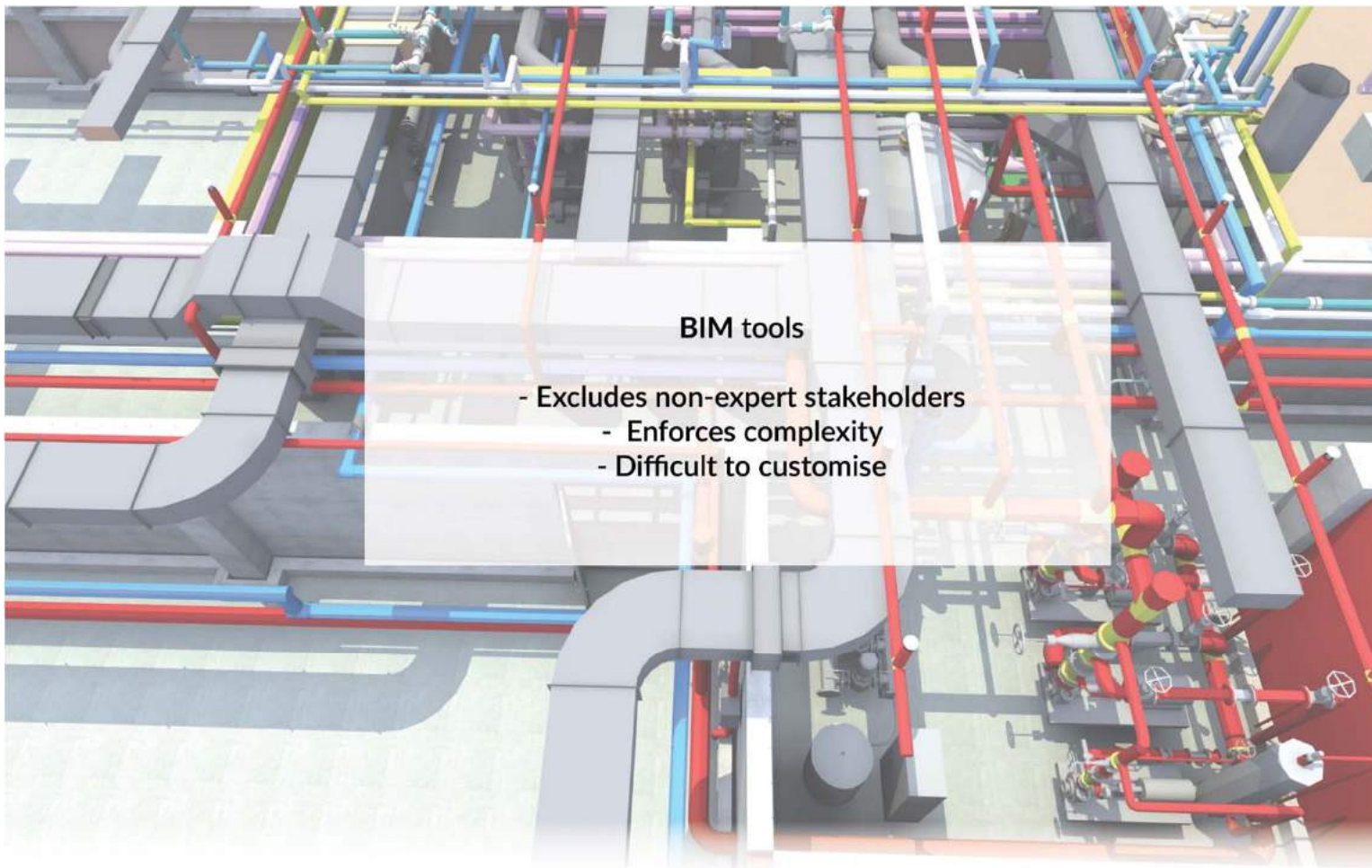
Data/Model Inversion

At first glance, we are facing the technical challenge of migrating interoperable data sets through a myriad of platforms that all interpret elements differently.

What may prove to be a smarter approach is a stable data set through which various models pass through and manipulate. Autodesk's concept software "Project Quantum" proposes to do just this.



Brian Ringley, "What's the point of Dynamo?", June 14, 2017



BIM tools

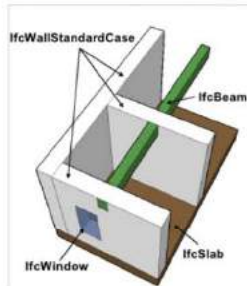
- Excludes non-expert stakeholders
 - Enforces complexity
 - Difficult to customise

BIM imposes a modelling paradigm as a standard (IFC)

BIM is actually one approach amongst others, its essence being that of a domain specific object oriented model that one has to embrace in order to meet current required specific standards. Once embraced, just like with DAG models, operating changes becomes a time consuming effort.

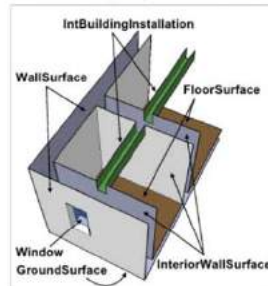
Differing Modeling Paradigms

BIM (e.g., IFC)
Constructive Solid Geometry

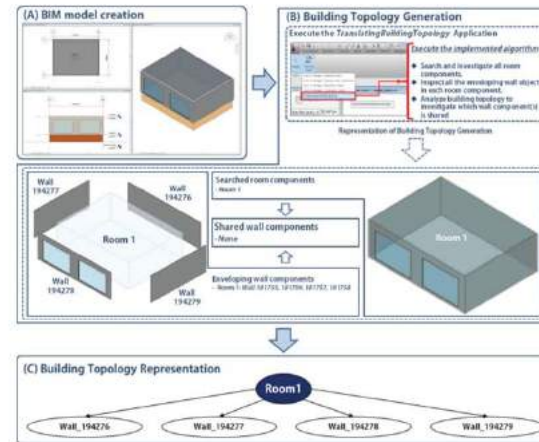


Volumetric, parametric primitives representing the structural components of buildings

3D GIS (e.g., CityGML)
Boundary Representation

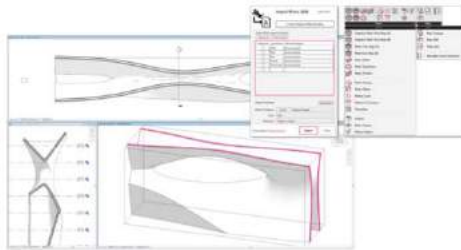


Accumulation of observable surfaces of topographic features



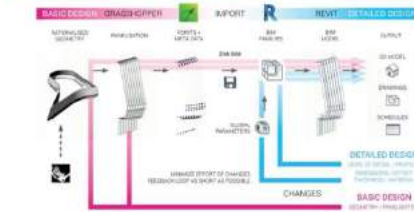
State of the art, existing approaches to collaborative workflows

Different existing modelling approaches have proven the benefit of enhancing collaborative workflows



Proving Ground research and tools development

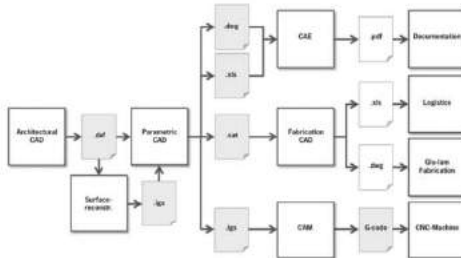
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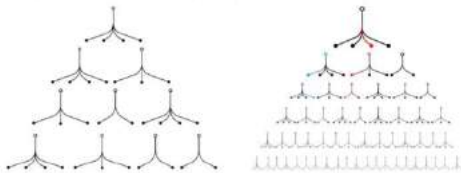
ZHA BIM collaborative and interoperability workflows



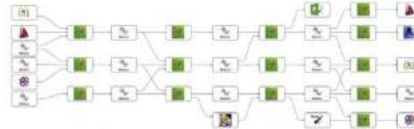
SpeckleWorks: an open source AEC protocol and platform



Design-to-Production's filing ecosystem



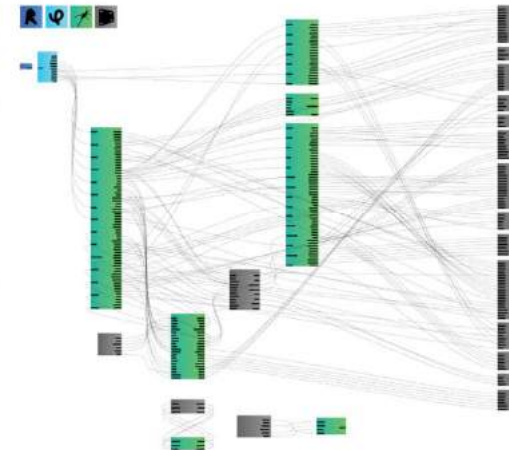
TreeGram's Directory Tree Structures



Front's modelling strategy with Elefront



Shop Architect's software ecosystem



Woods Bagot's MetaGraph (Ringley & Heumann)

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Open formats

The fact that data must constantly be parametrically linked prevents the possibility to share it in a transparent way. Open Formats, on the other hand, work well as containers to hierarchize, share and query information.

XML

```
<Data Set>
  <Data Subset>
    <Key> Value </Key>
    <Key> Value </Key>
    <Key> Value </Key>
  </Data Subset>
</Data Set>
```

JSON

```
{
  Data Set: {
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    }
  }
}
```

Using **Speckle** as a platform to genericize the previous experiments

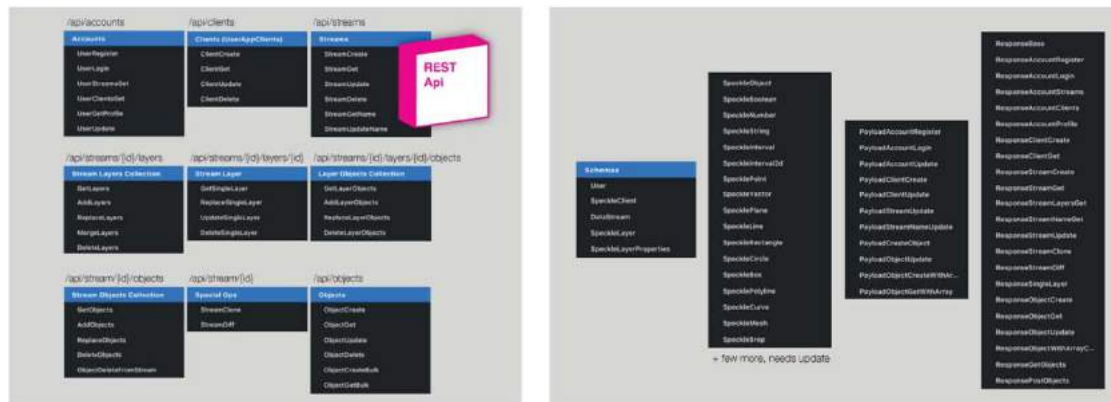
An extensible Design & AEC data communication protocol and platform.



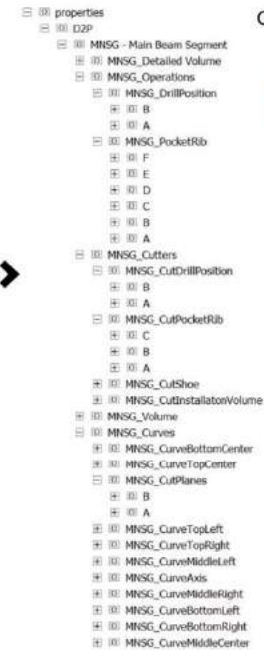
API
(verbs, actions)

Objects (nouns)

Database / Storage
(paper)

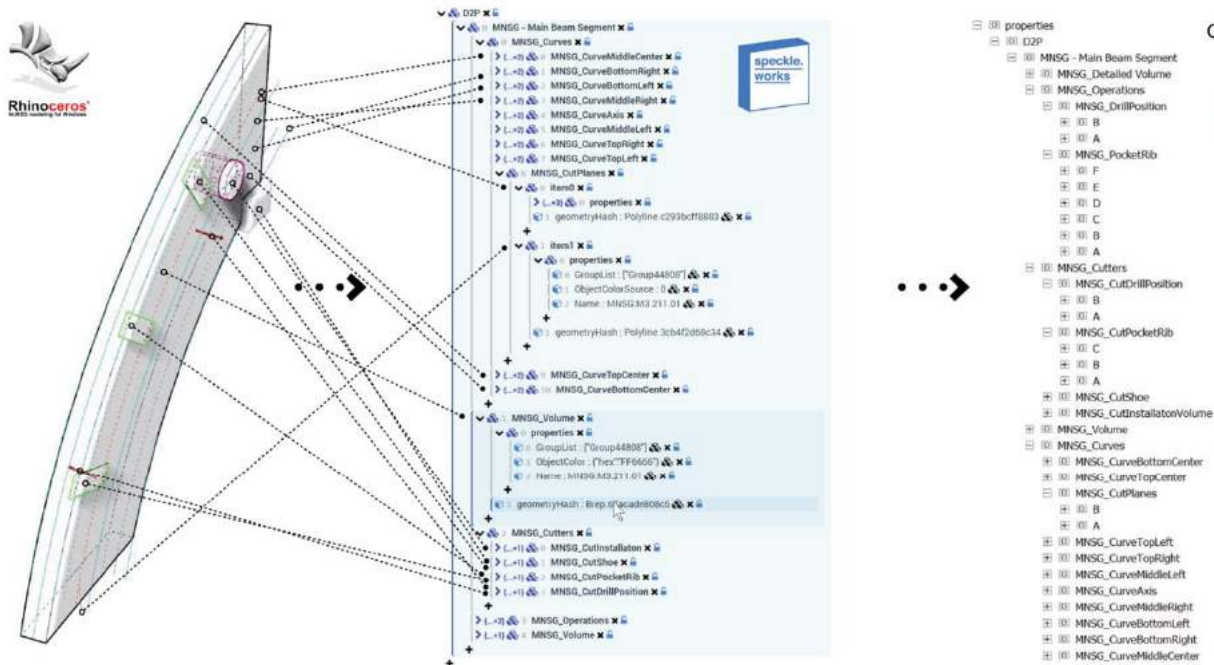


Building Custom Schemas through the **Speckle's** API



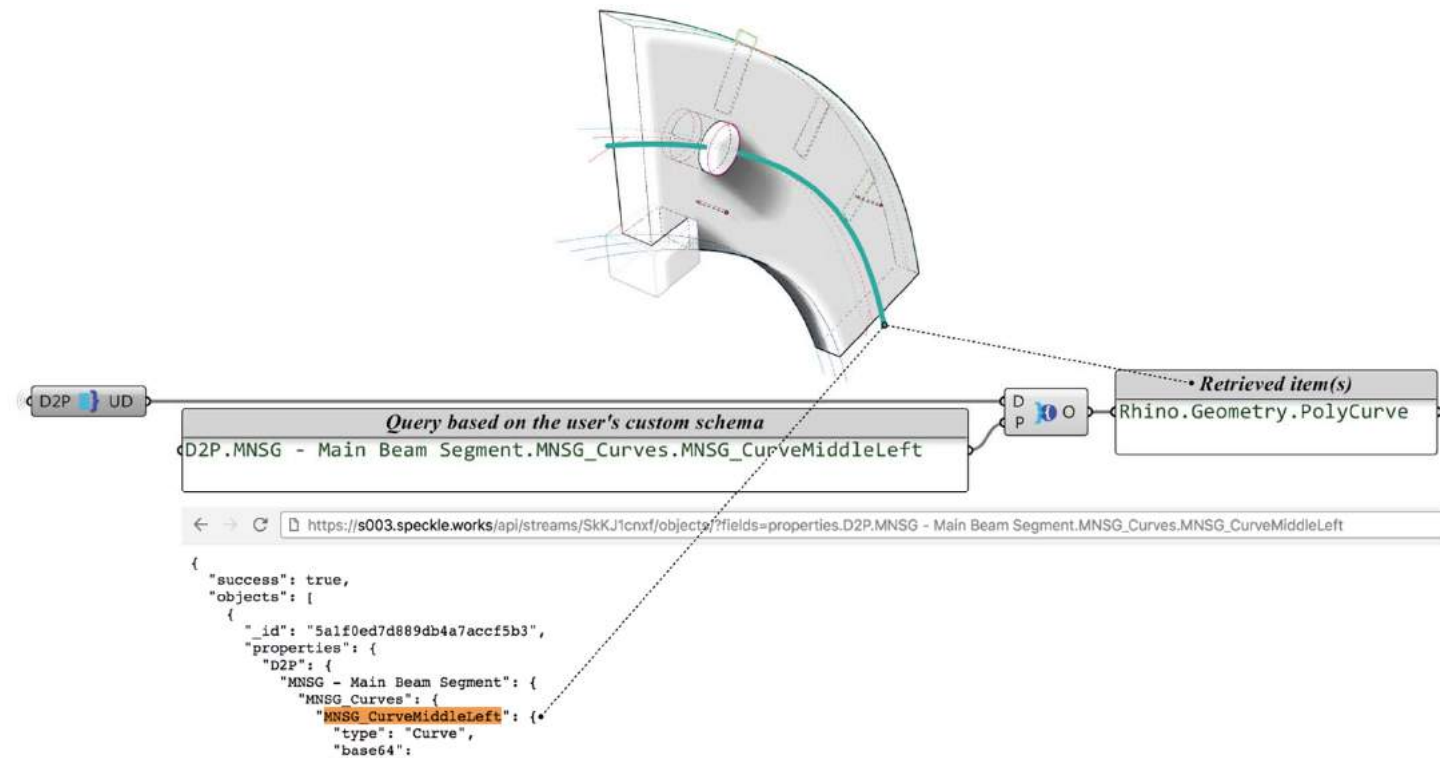
Open Format:
JSON
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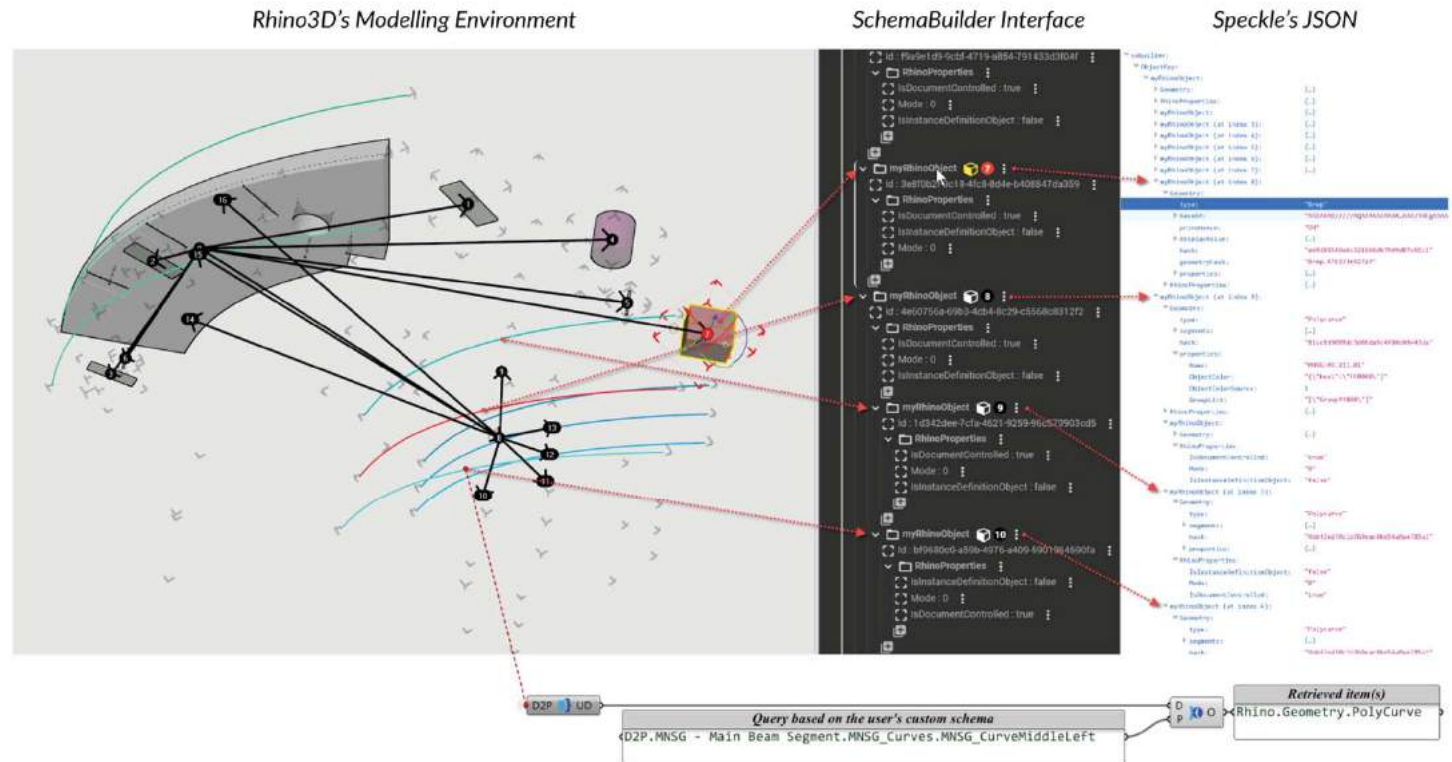
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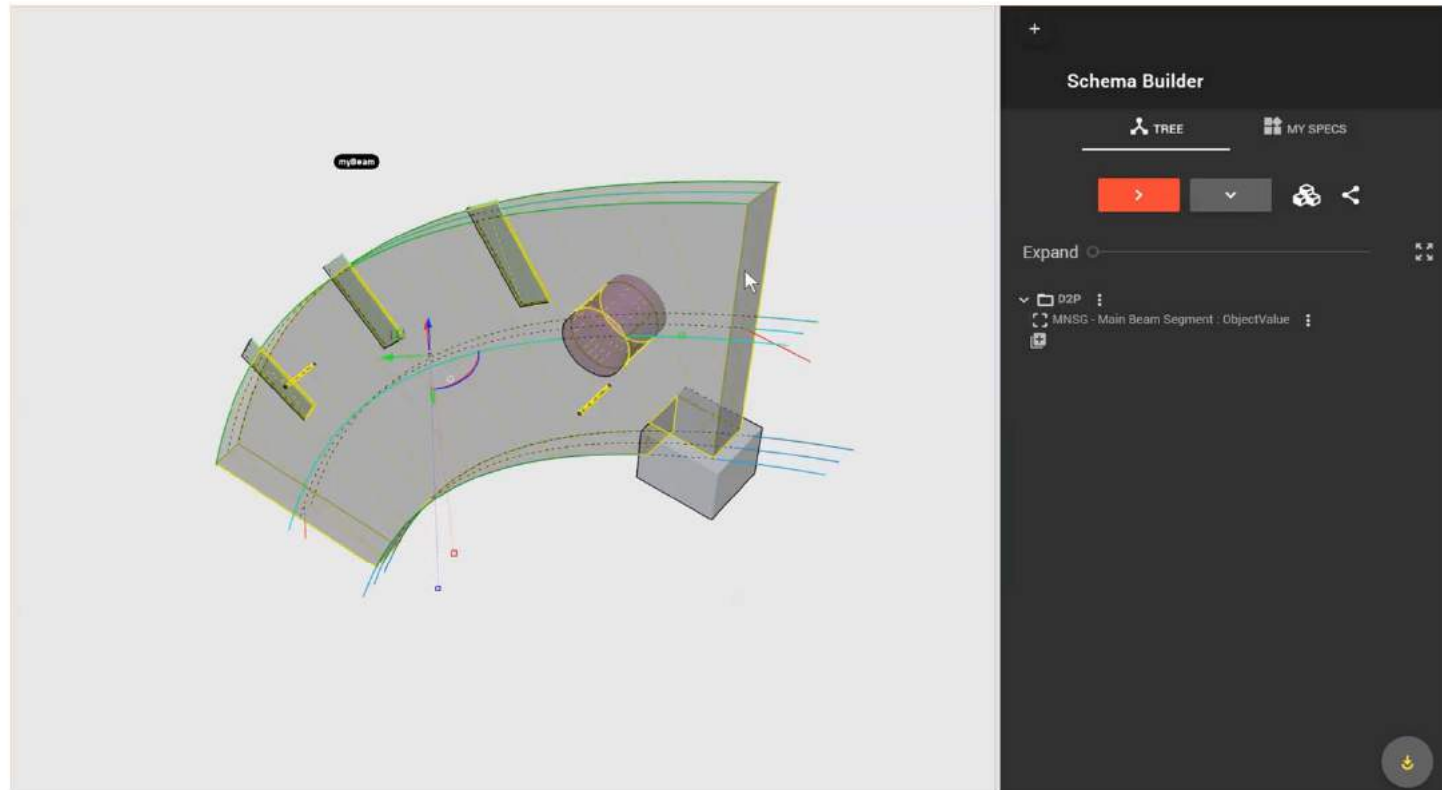


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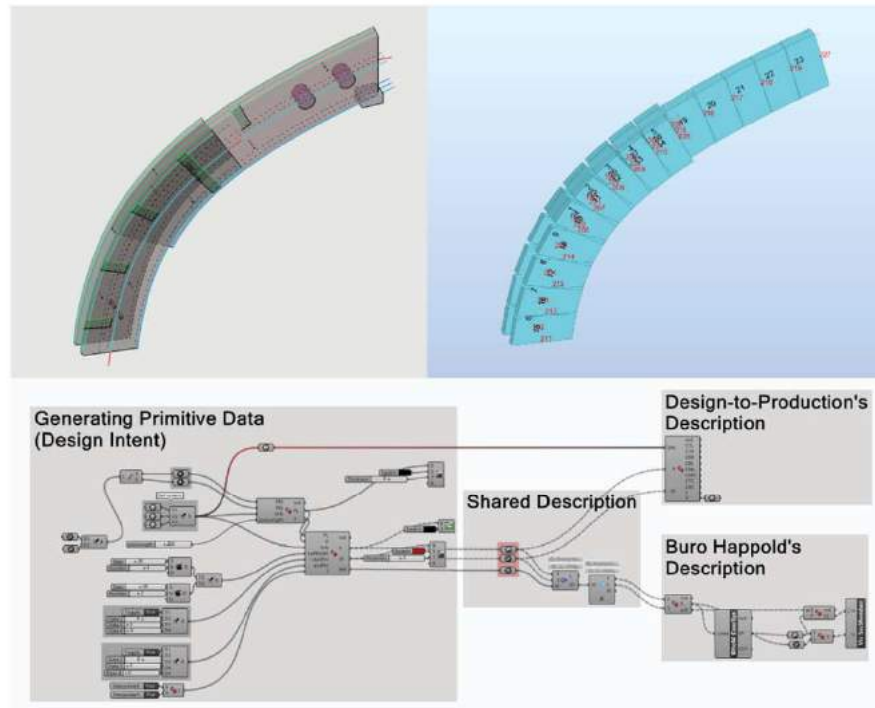


Case-study: setting up a D2P Beam-object through SchemaBuilder



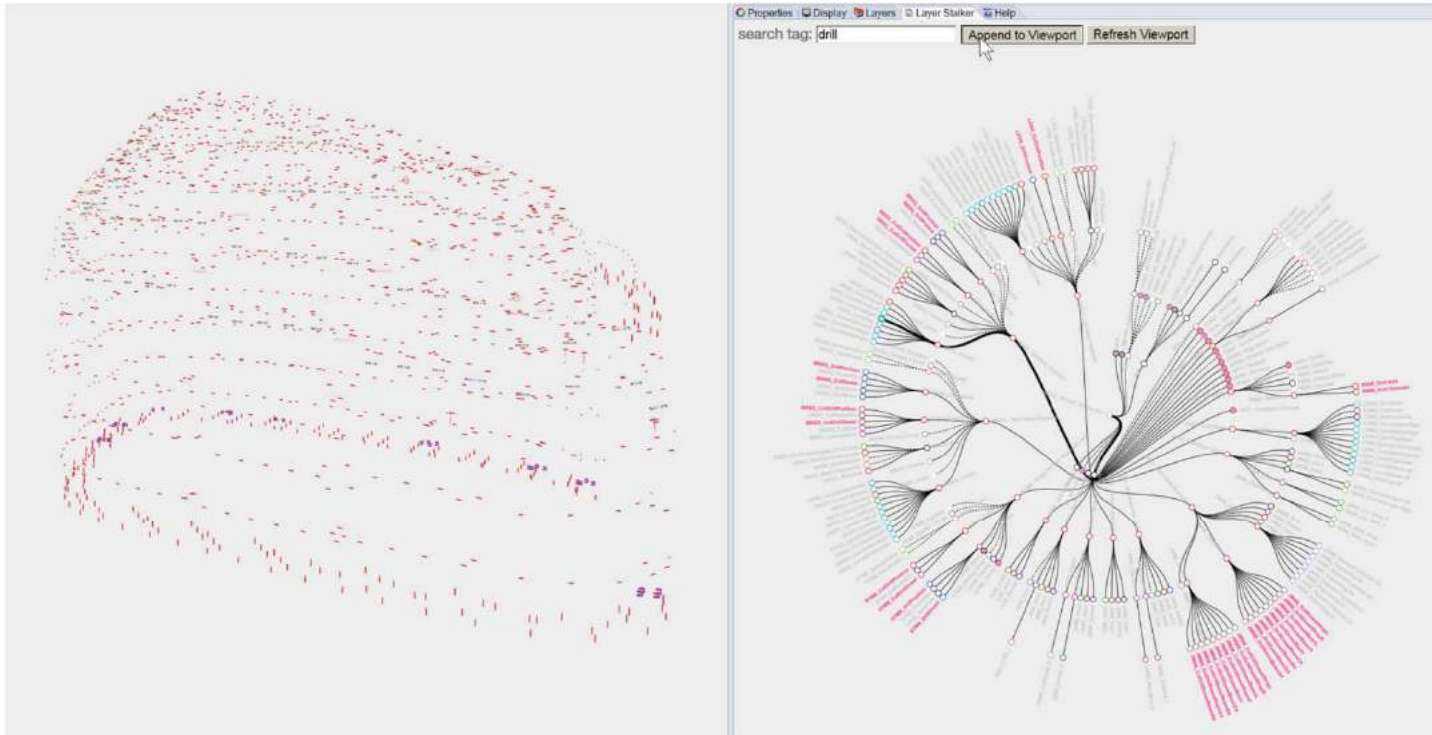
Cross-Practice Collaboration: sharing schemas through common descriptions

A speculative scenario between Buro Happold and Design-to-Production object descriptions



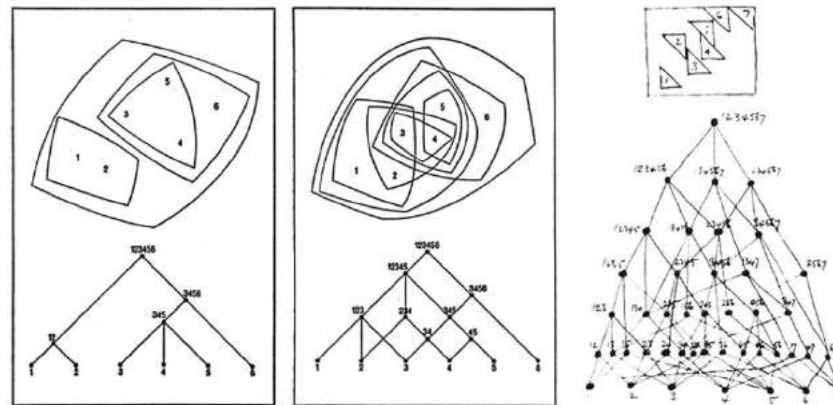
Mass Object Instanciation

Scaling up from the object level to the project level



Christhopher Alexander on design patterns: "A City is Not a Tree."

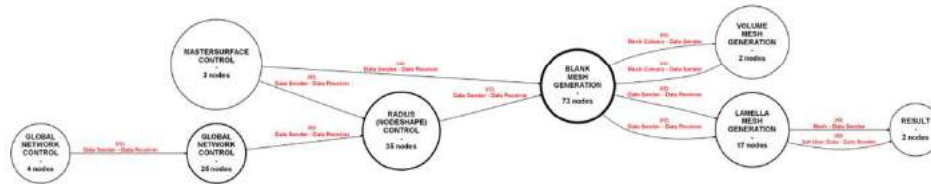
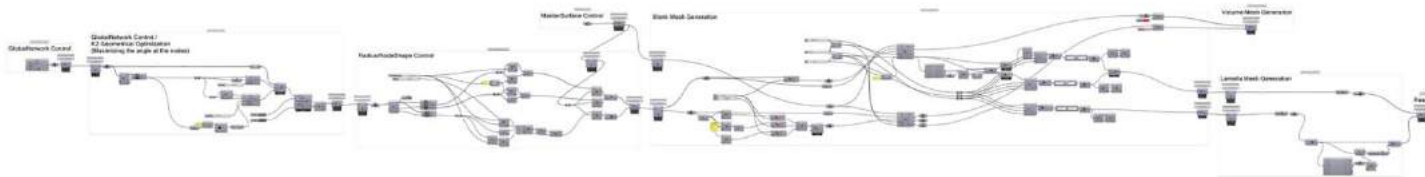
Shifting from a pure hierarchical model to a more decentralized model (here, the semilattice) in which persist many different implicit relationships.



"A City is Not a Tree" (C.Alexander, 1965)

Open Collaborative Design, Simulation & Analysis Flows

Case study at SimAUD 2018 (w/ Dimitrie Stefanescu)



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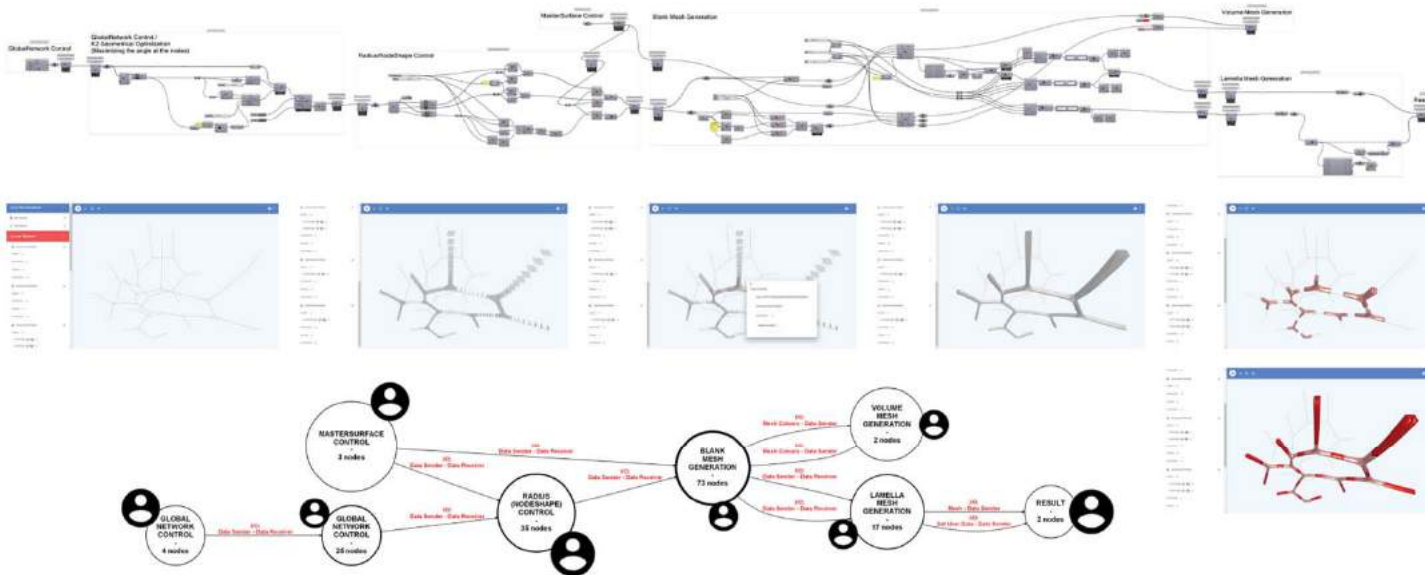


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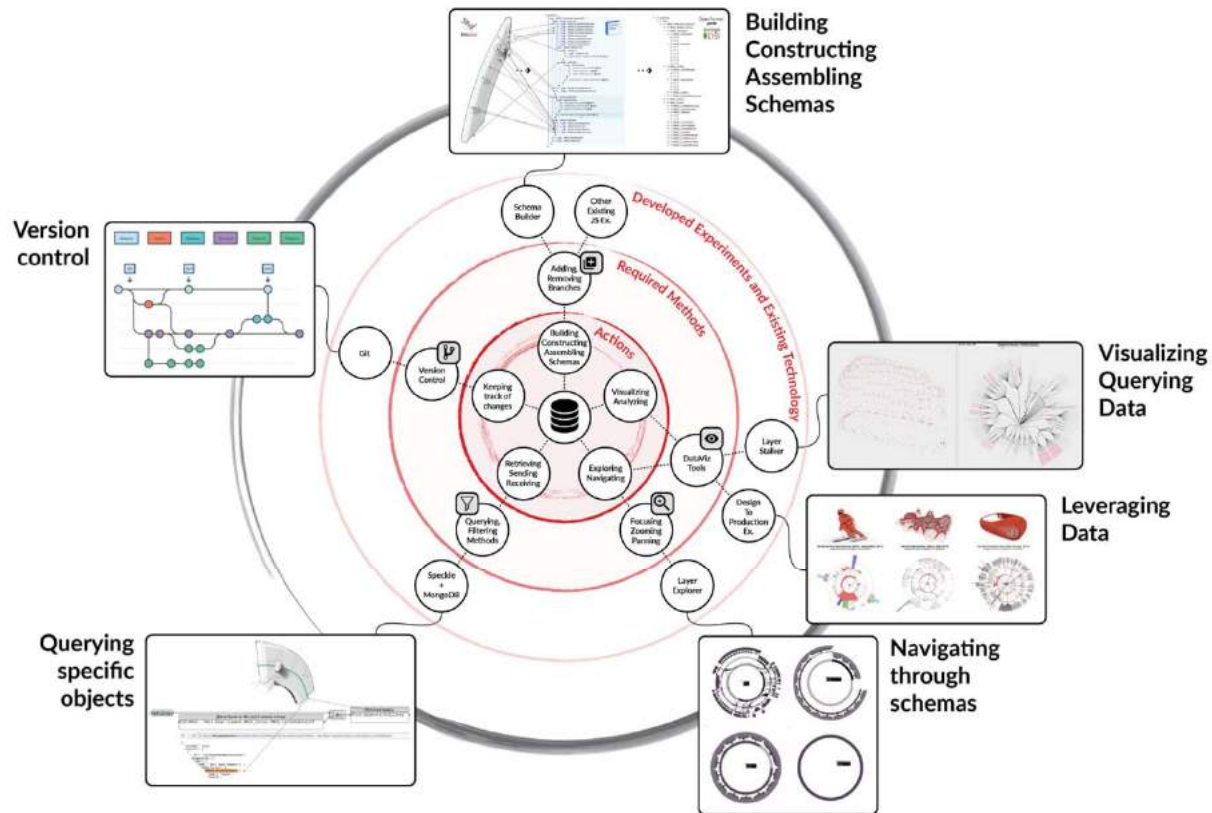
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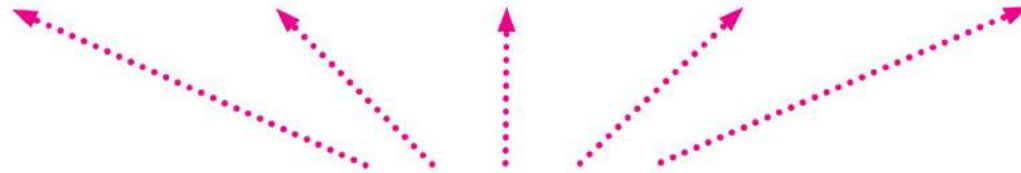
Mapping and reflecting upon the experiments



What can we hope for the future?



Software Vendors



Development Effort - Adapter Plug-Ins - Maintenance, Updates, etc...



Communication Platforms
Generic Schemas

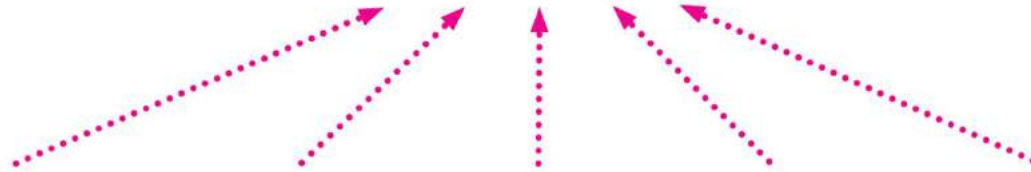


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Three Perspectives

- *Integrated multiscalar modelling practice*
- *Agency – Automation and Machine Intelligence*
- *Feedback - awareness of Environment*

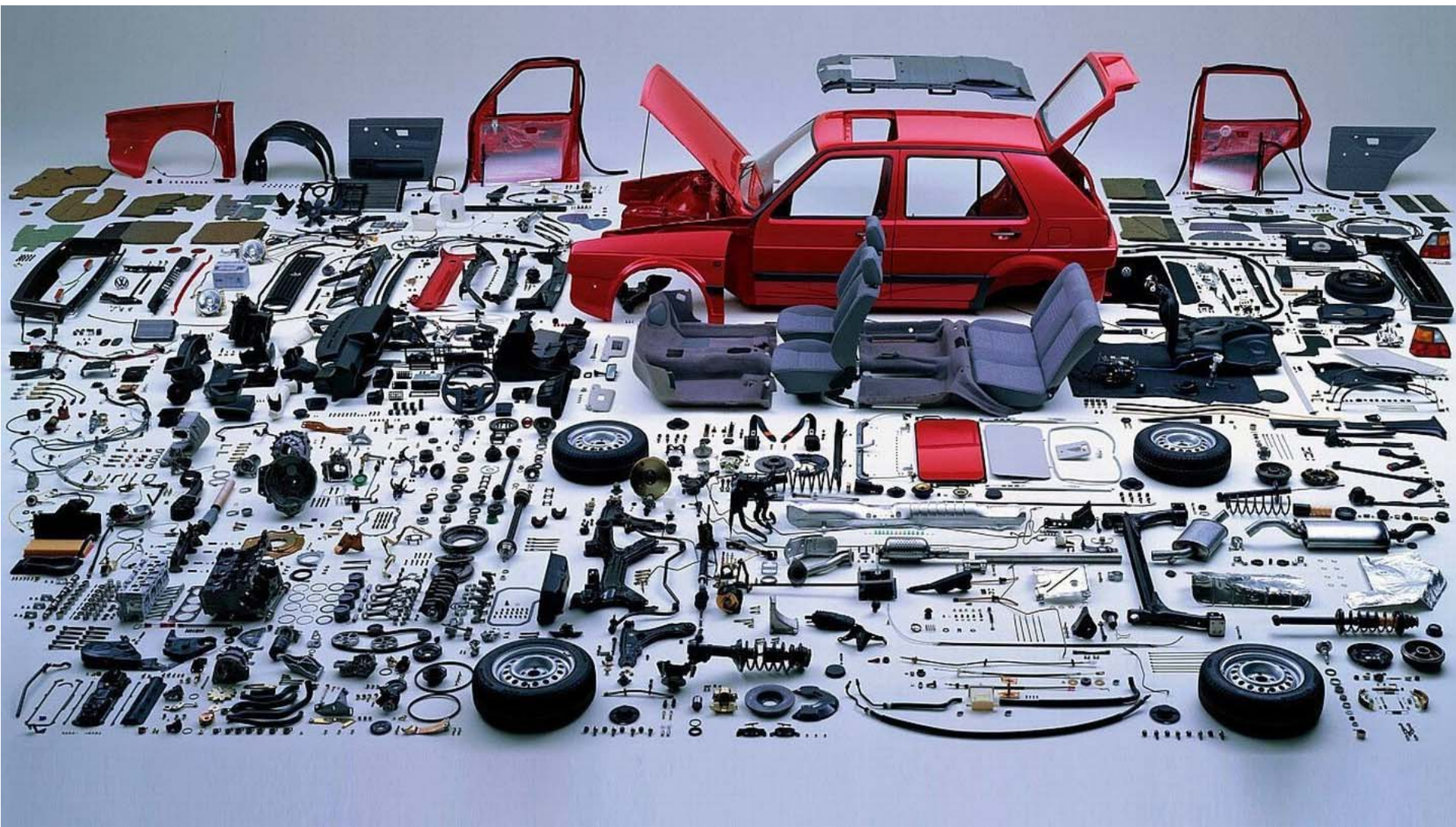
Assembly Information Modeling (AIM)

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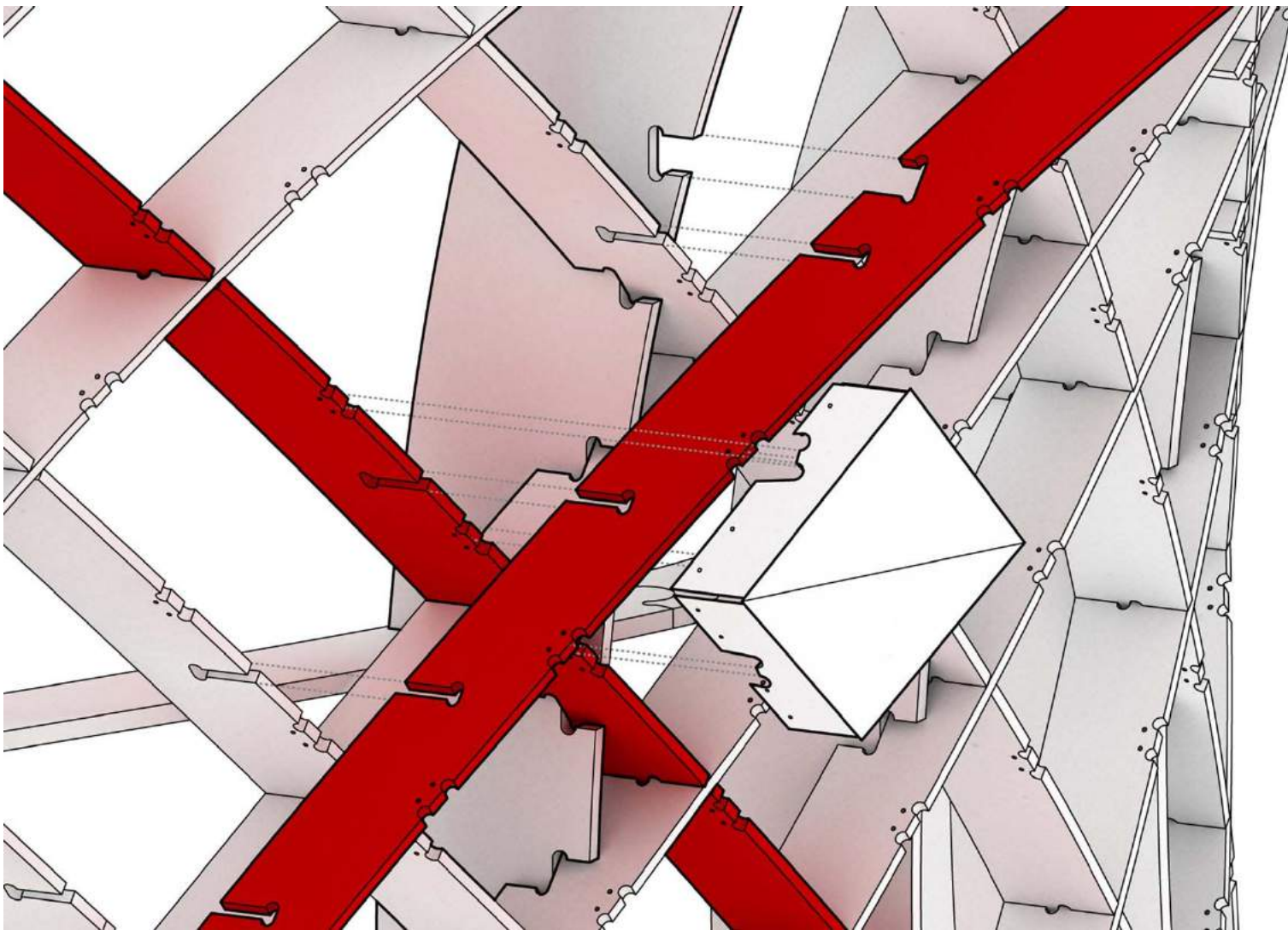
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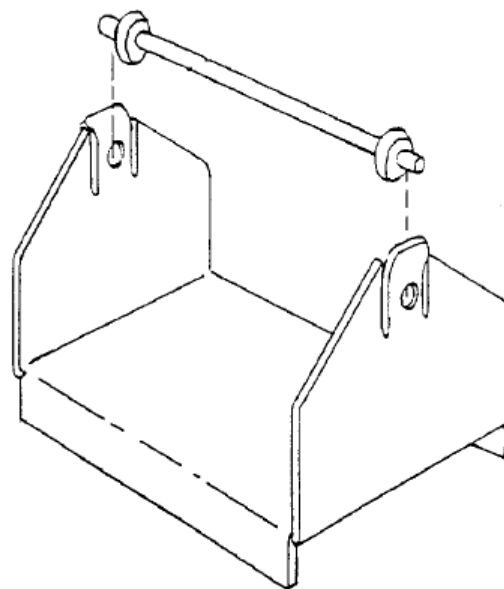
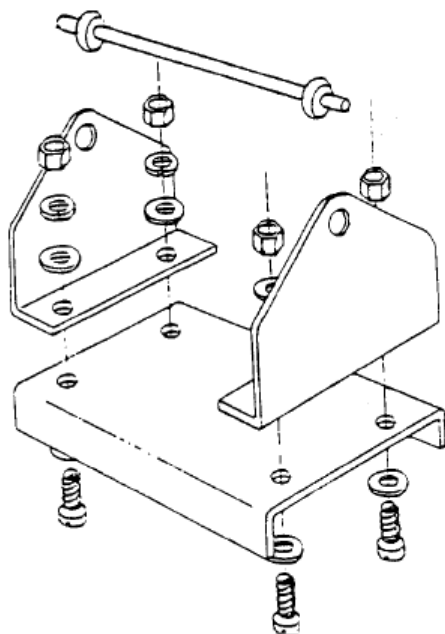
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**HOW CAN WE ENABLE ASSEMBLY DECISIONS IN THE
EARLY DESIGN PHASES USING DIGITAL ASSEMBLY
MODELS?**

CONSTRUCTION PROCESS



Design

Concept
Documentation
Functionality

Evaluation

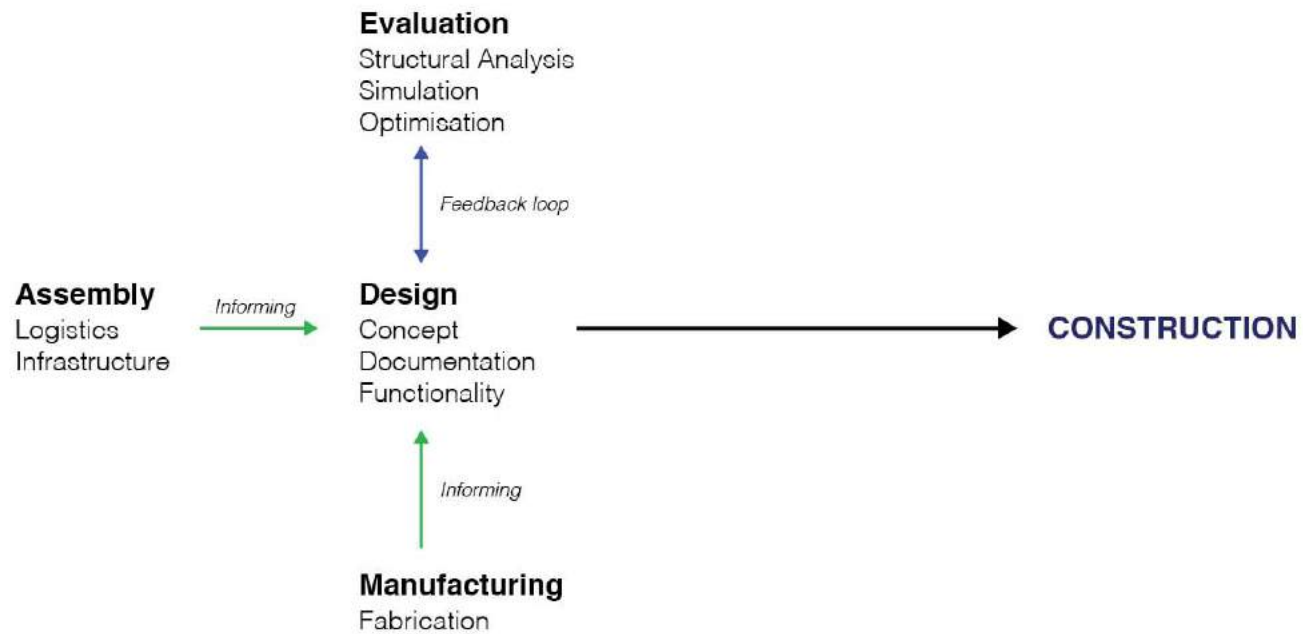
Structural Analysis
Simulation
Optimisation

Manufacturing

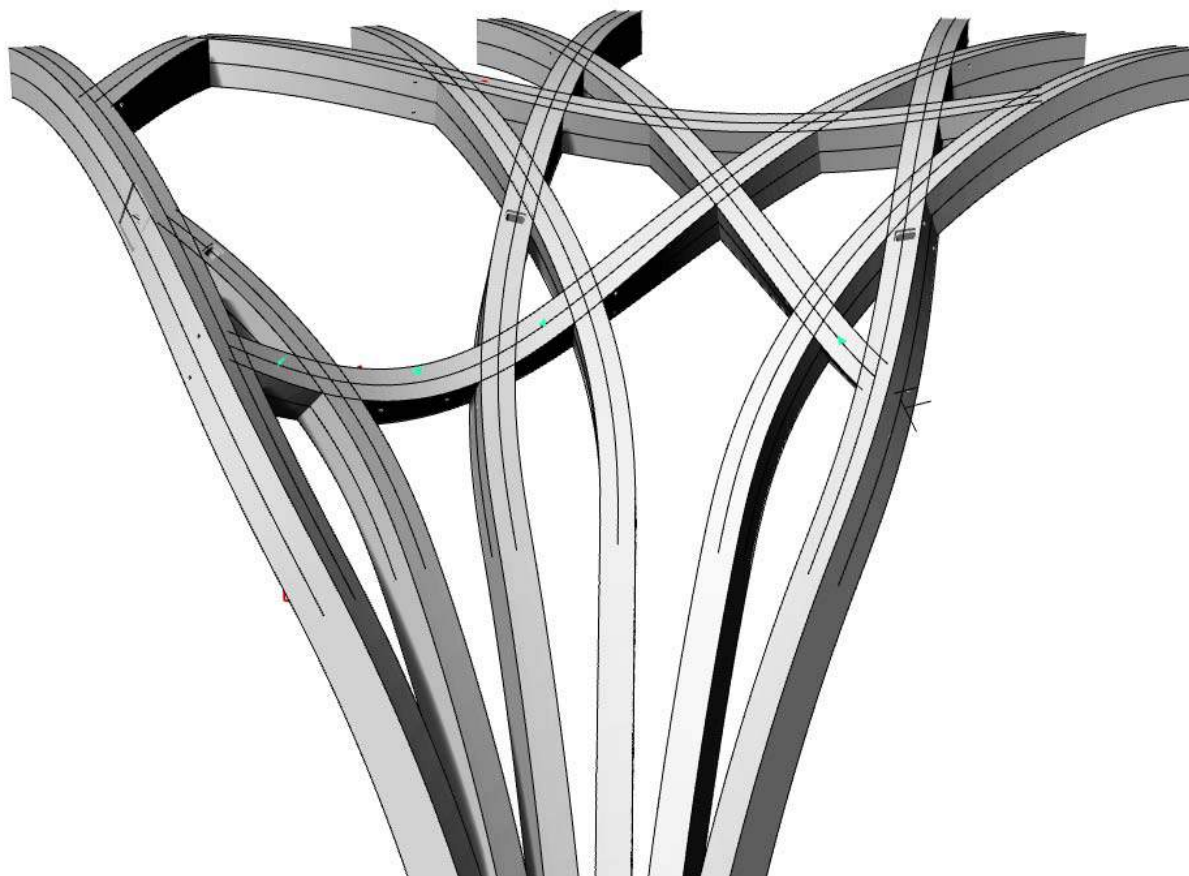
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Assembly

Logistics
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ASSEMBLY INFORMATION MODELING (AIM)

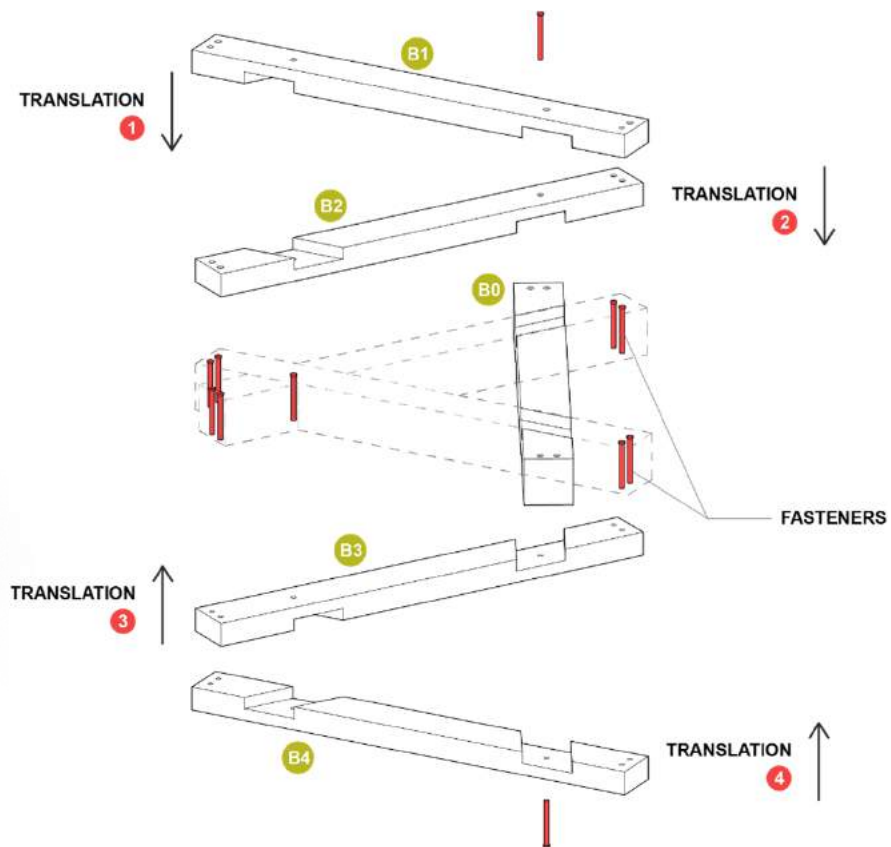
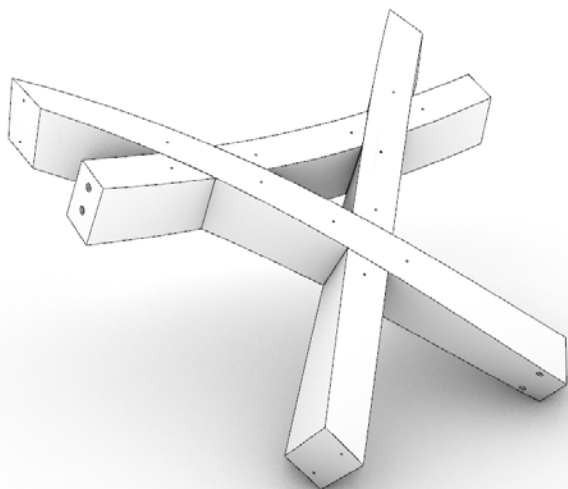


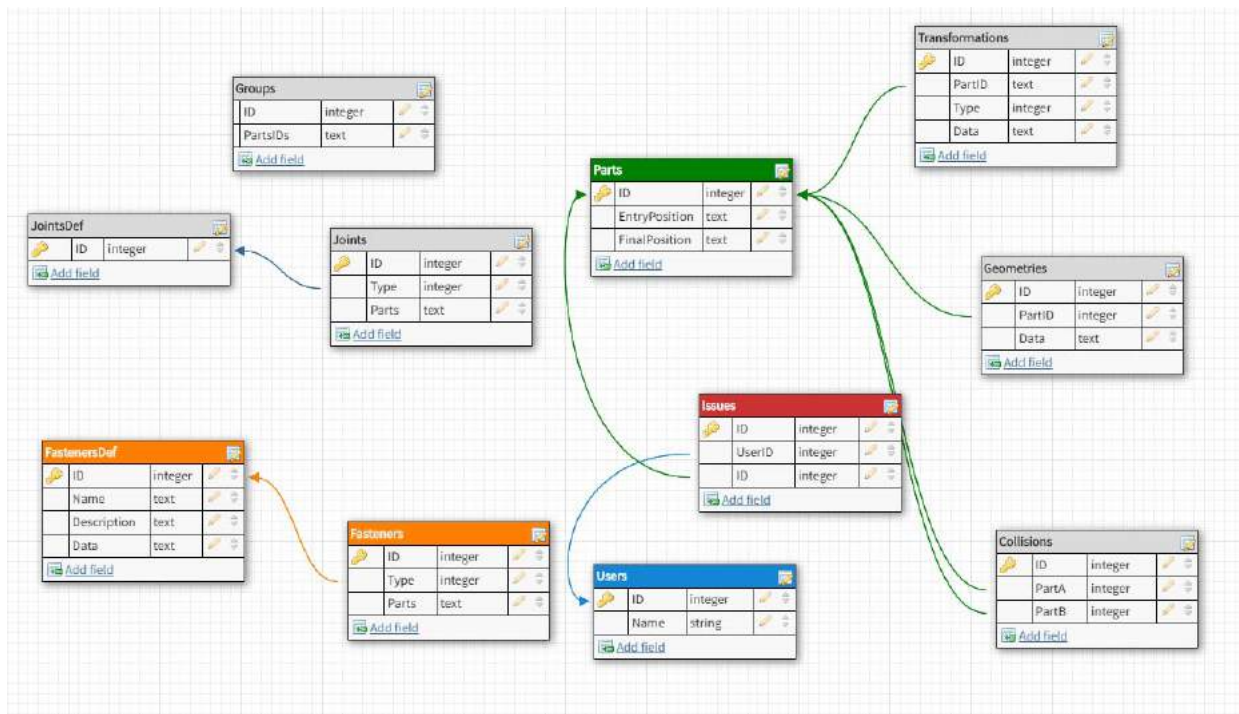
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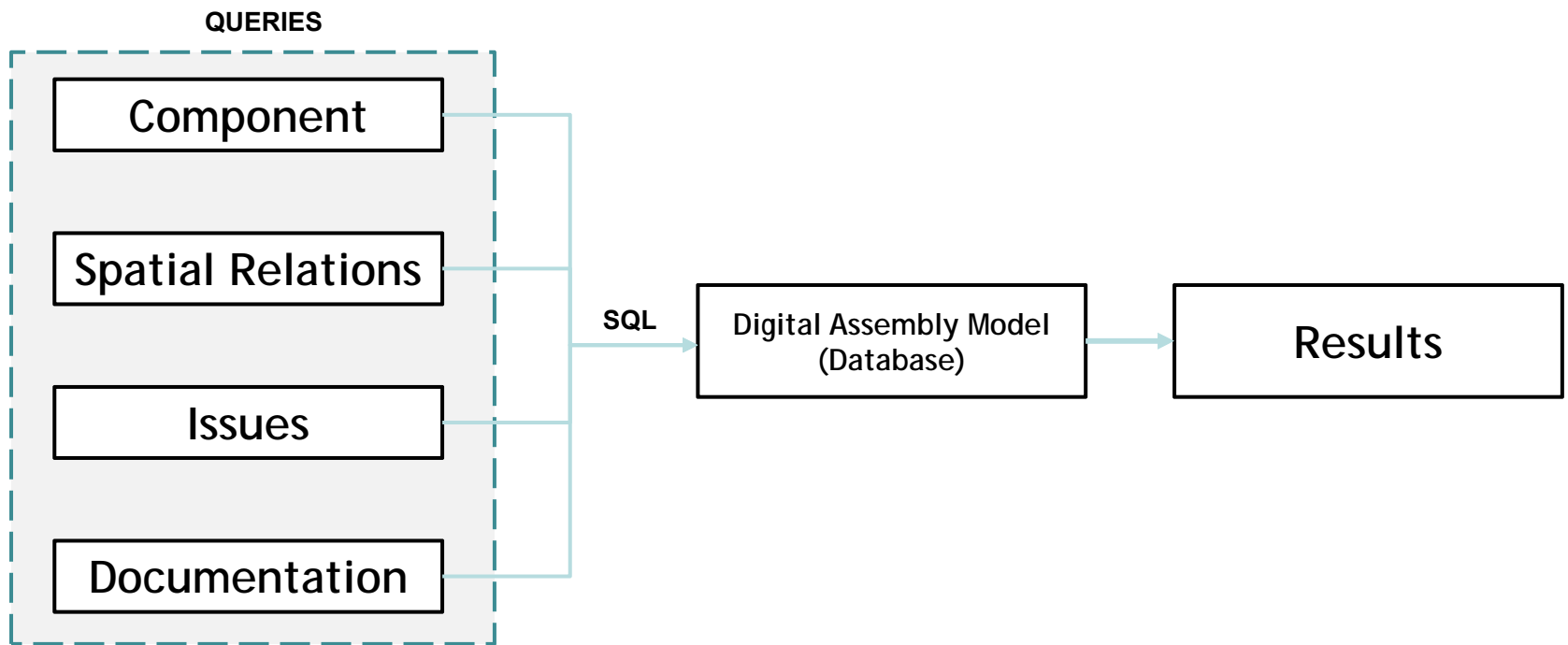
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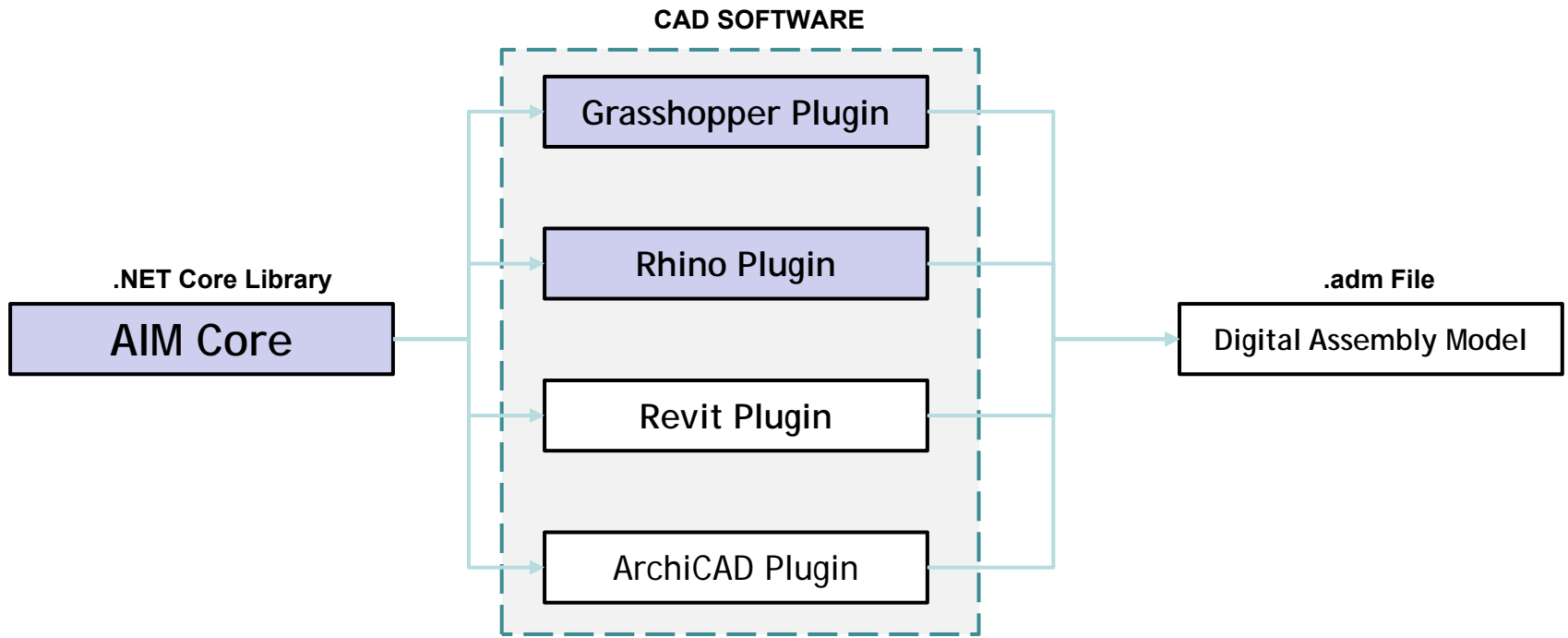


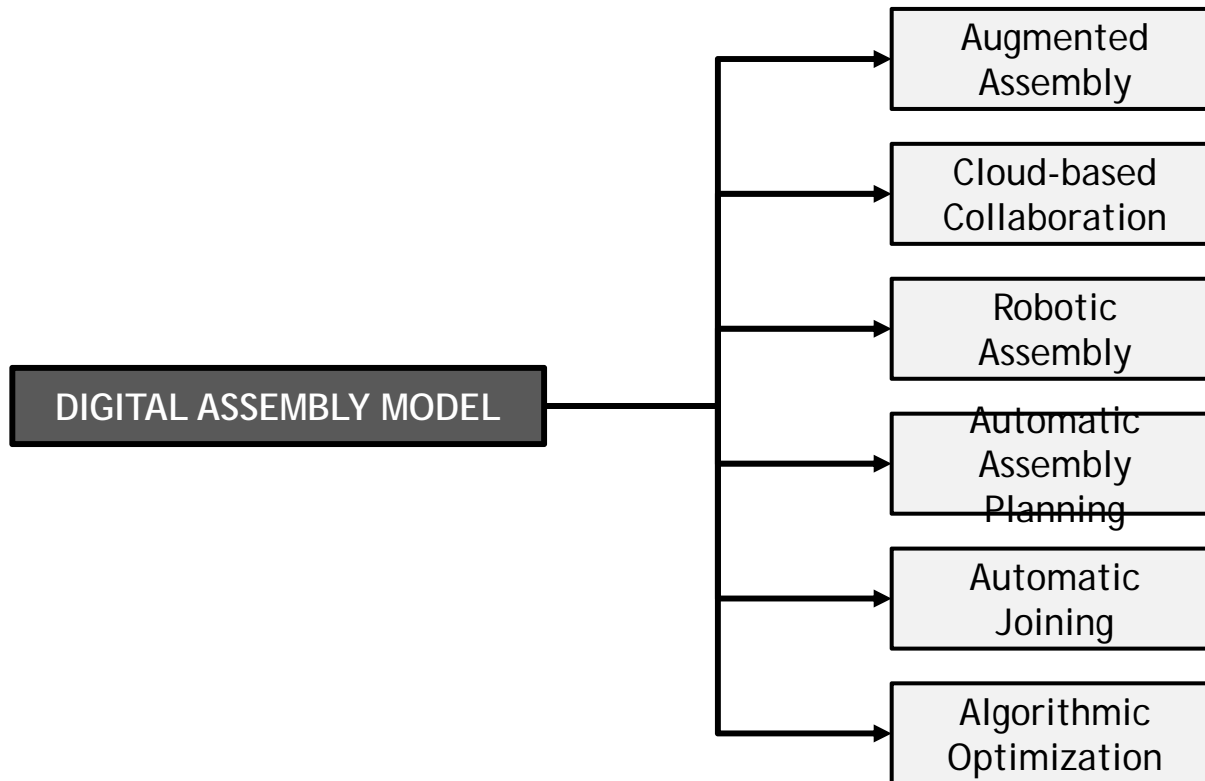
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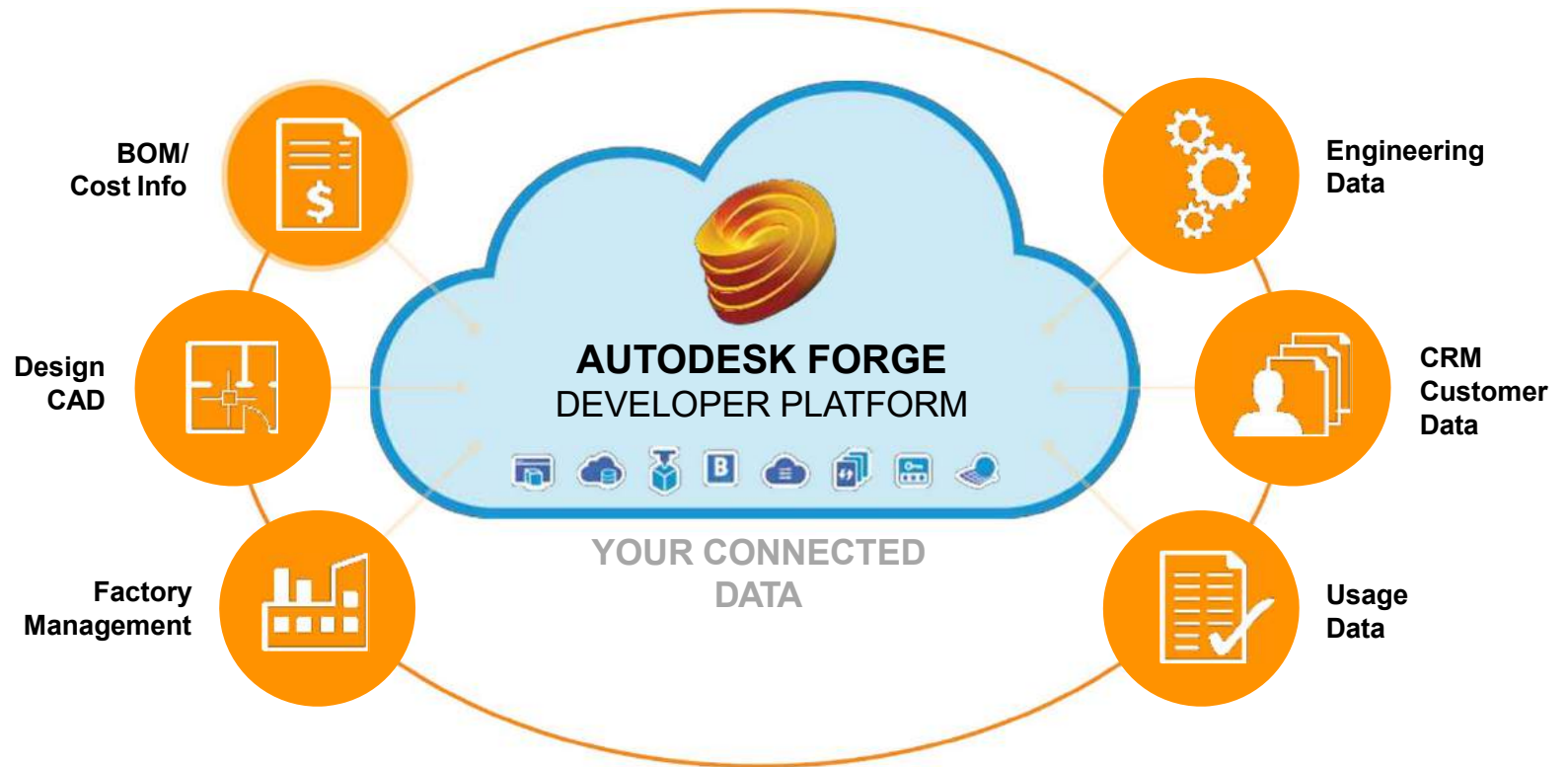






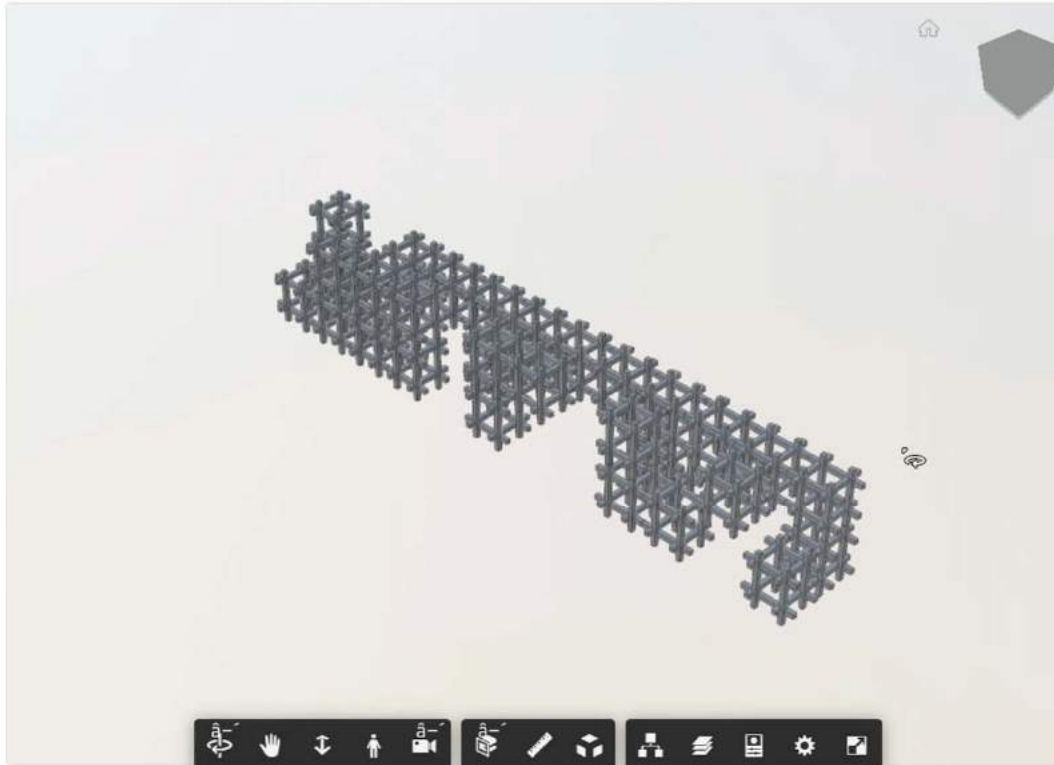
Potentials use of the Digital Assembly Model

CLOUD BASED COLLABORATION



- Home
- Assembly Models
- Parts
- Fasteners
- Joints
- Viewer
- Issues
- Export

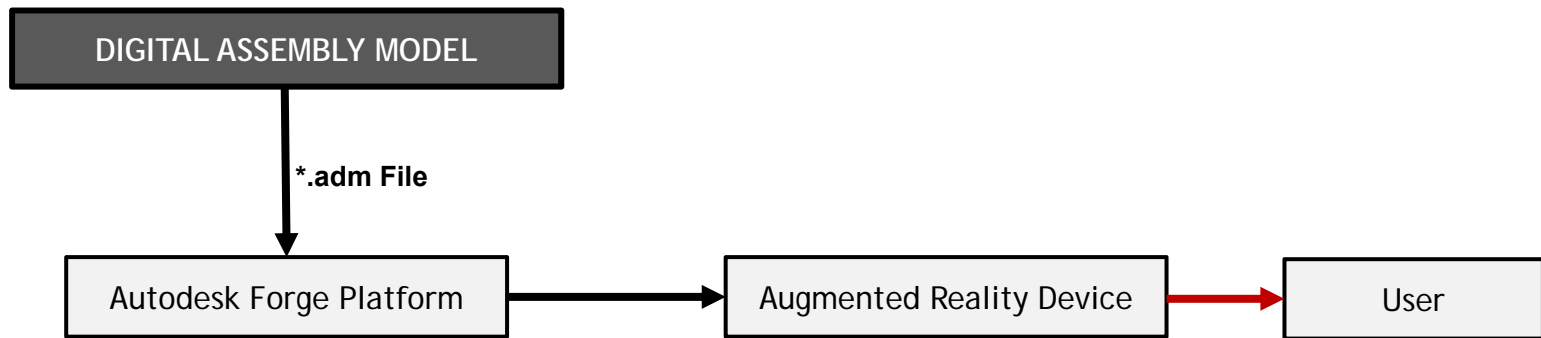
Viewer



Tools

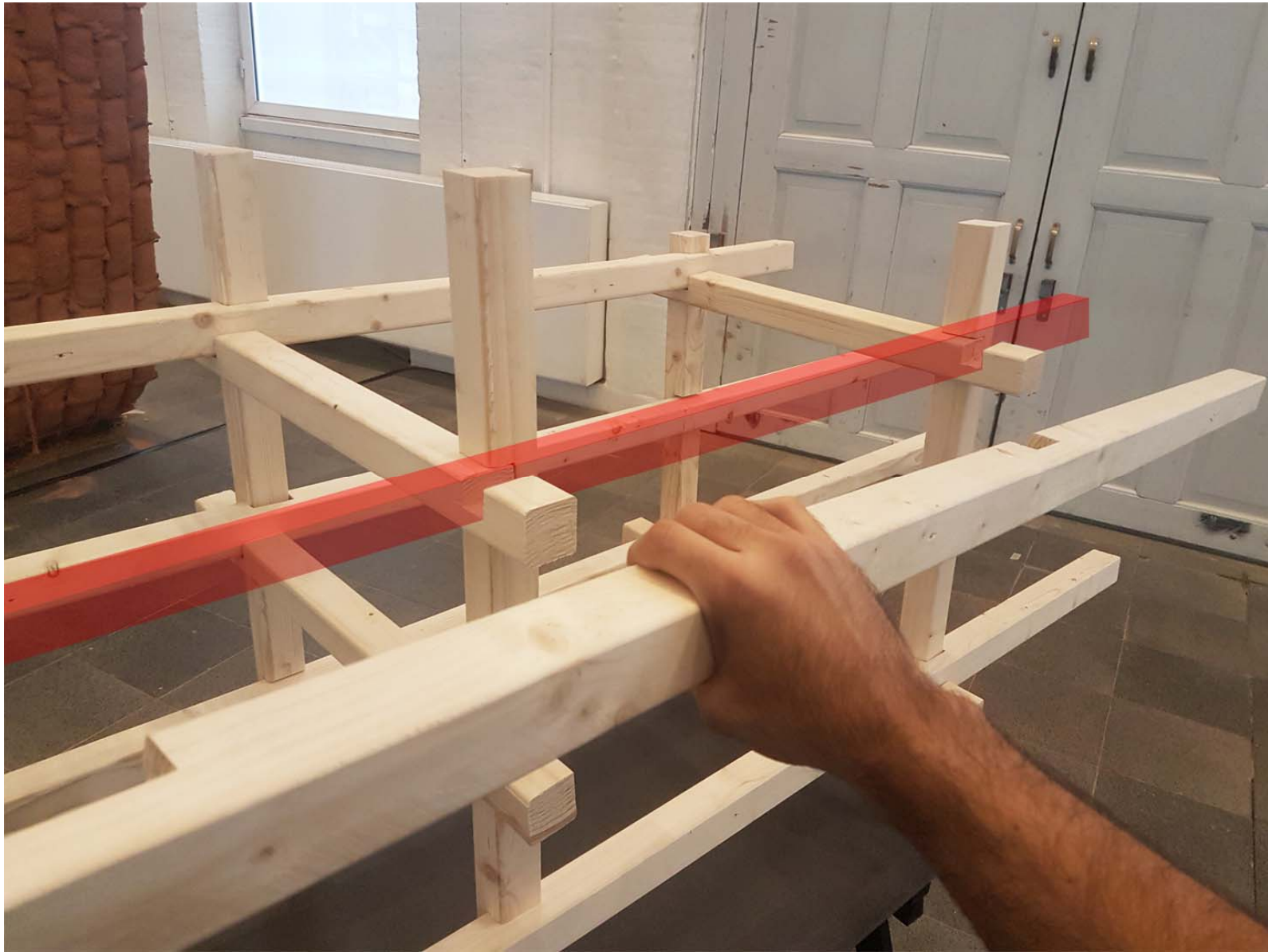


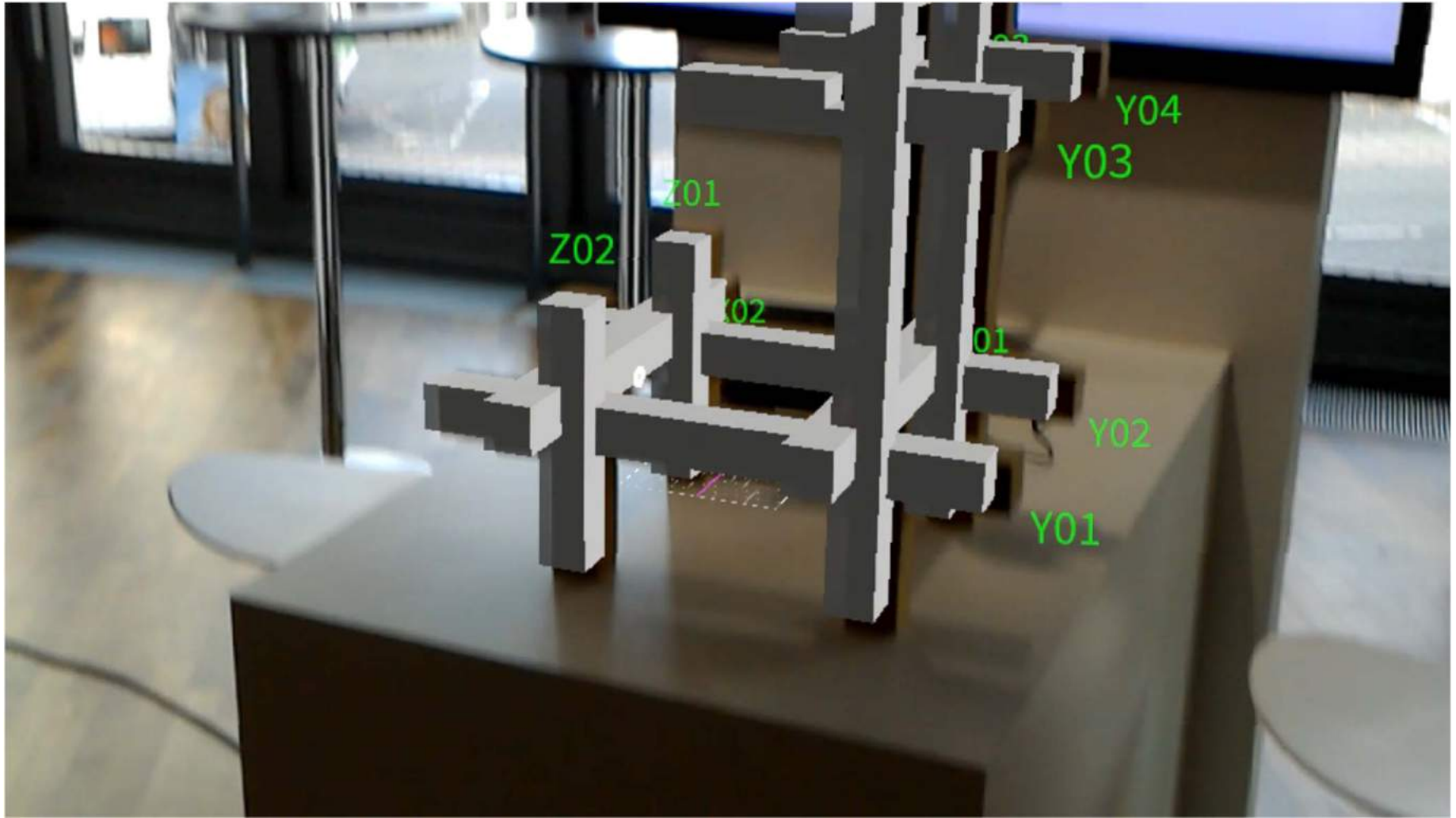
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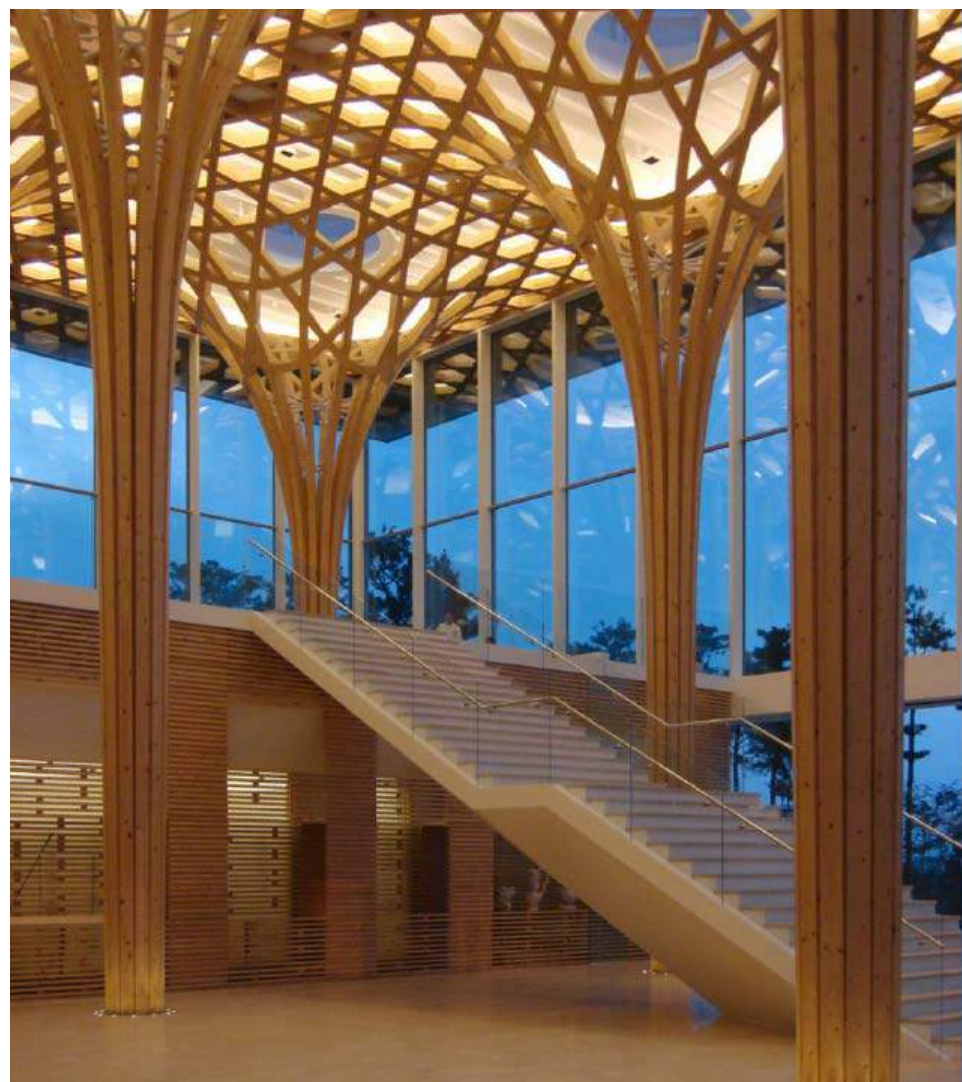


OVERVIEW OF THE AUGMENTED REALITY SCHEME



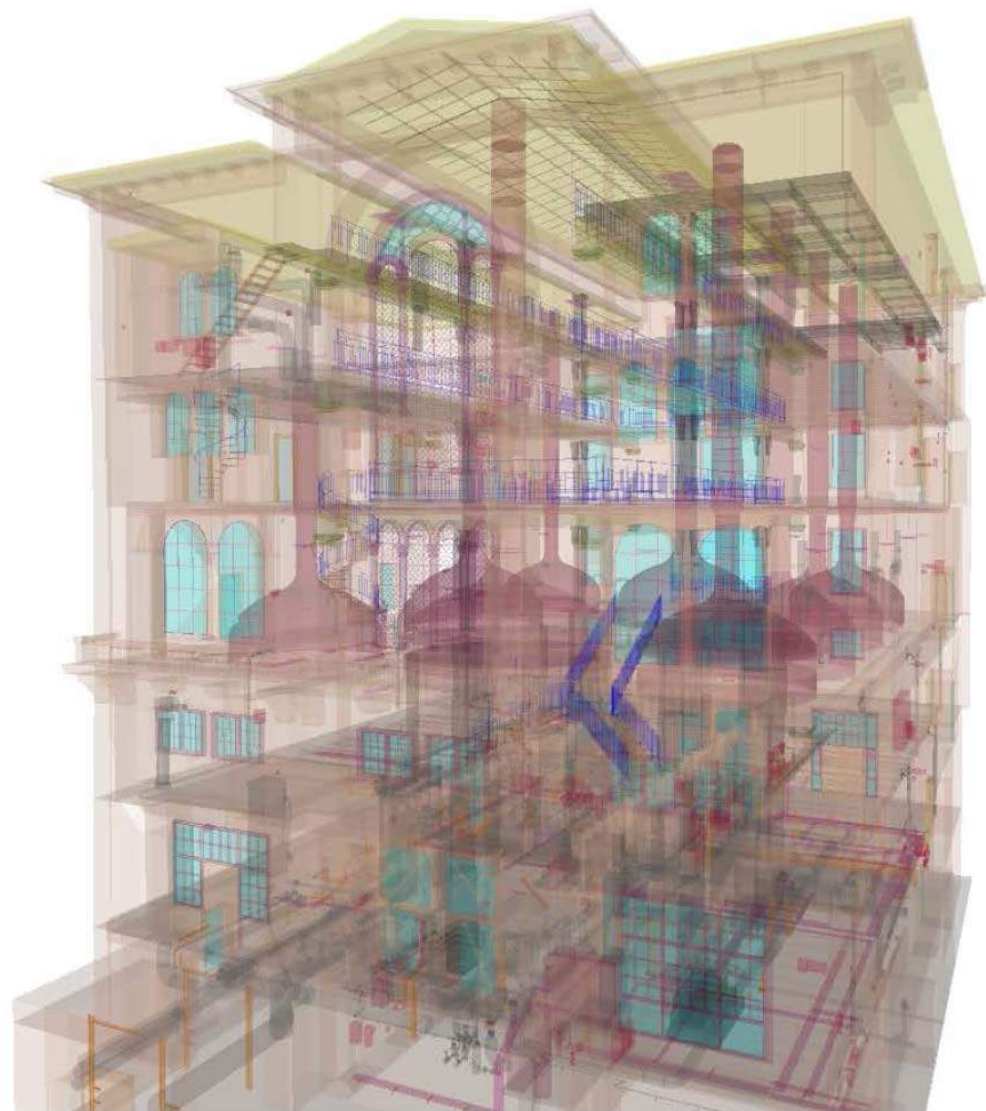






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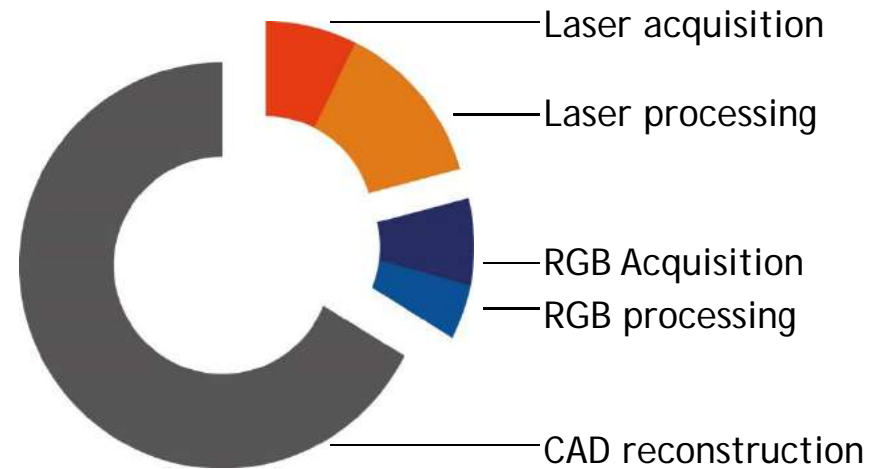
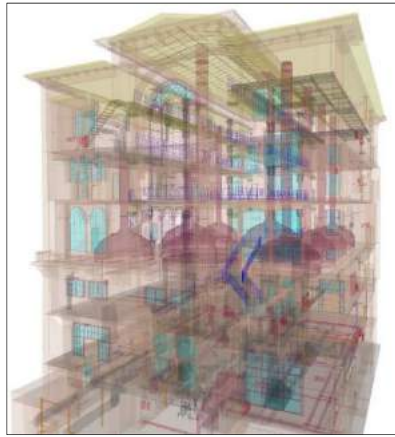
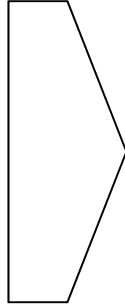
- Integrated multiscalar modelling practice*
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Feedback: Semantically Poor and Rich Data





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Global Time allocation for creation of Architectural Data from 3D Laserscans

Workflows with Point Clouds - The challenge



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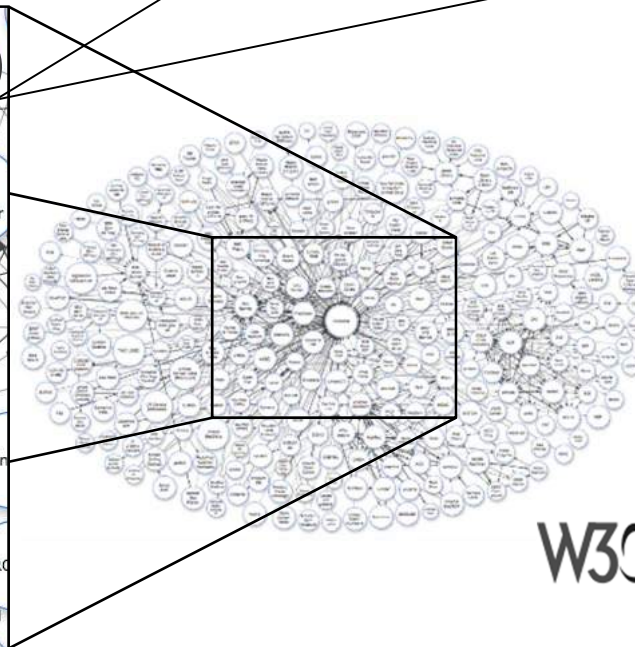
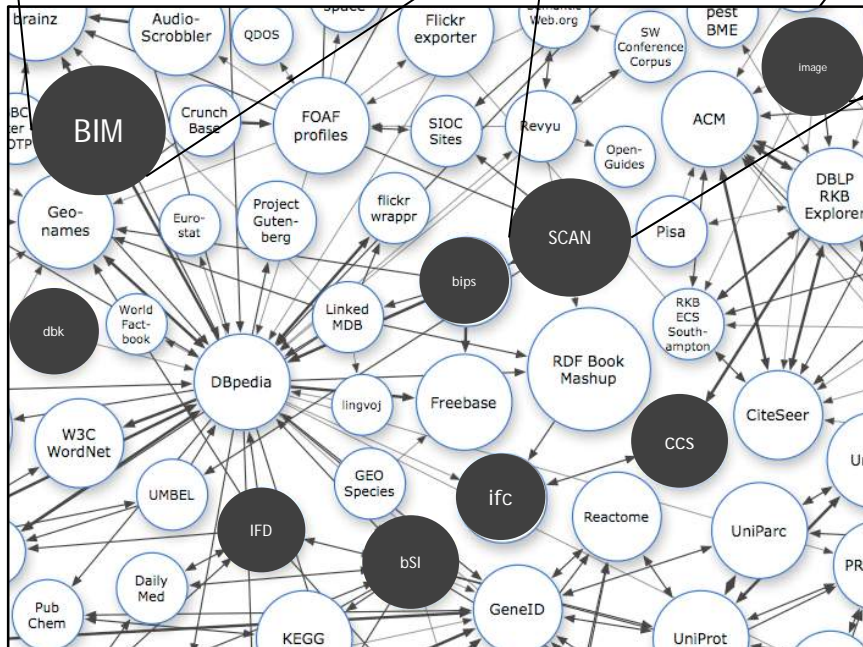
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Scan



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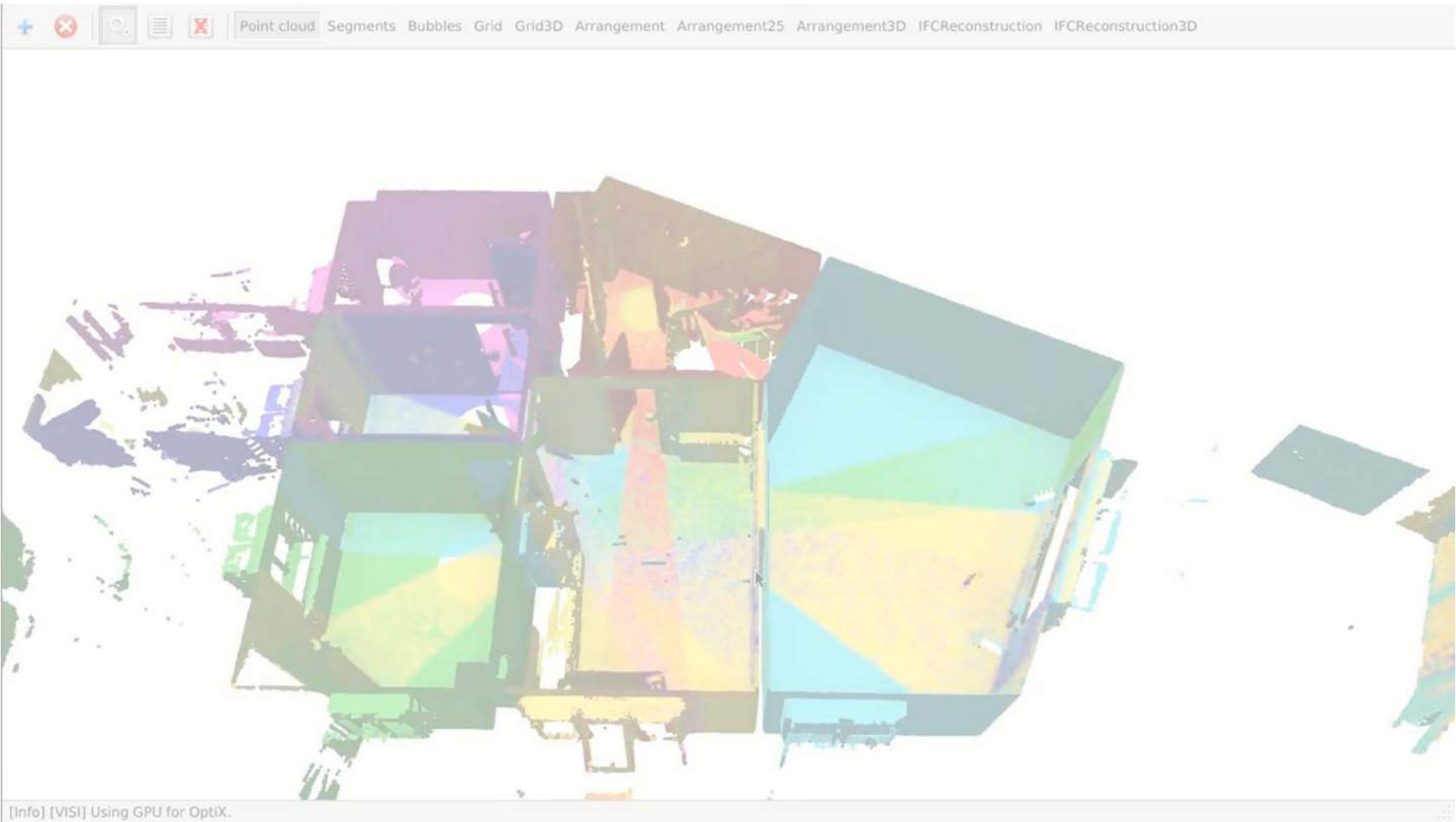


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Automatic Reconstruction - Point Cloud to BIM



Automatic Reconstruction - Point Cloud to BIM





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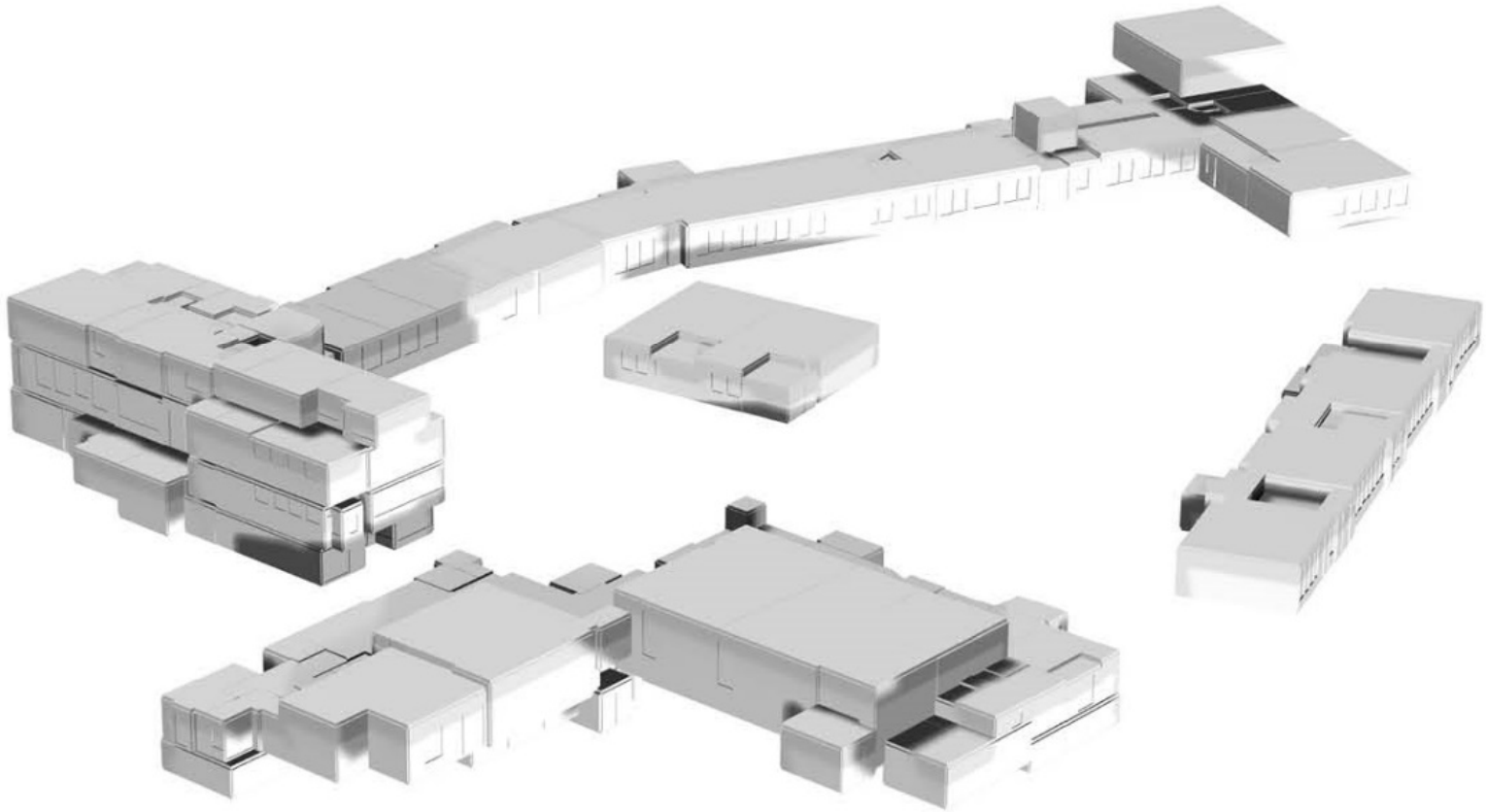
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Automatic Reconstruction - Point Cloud to BIM



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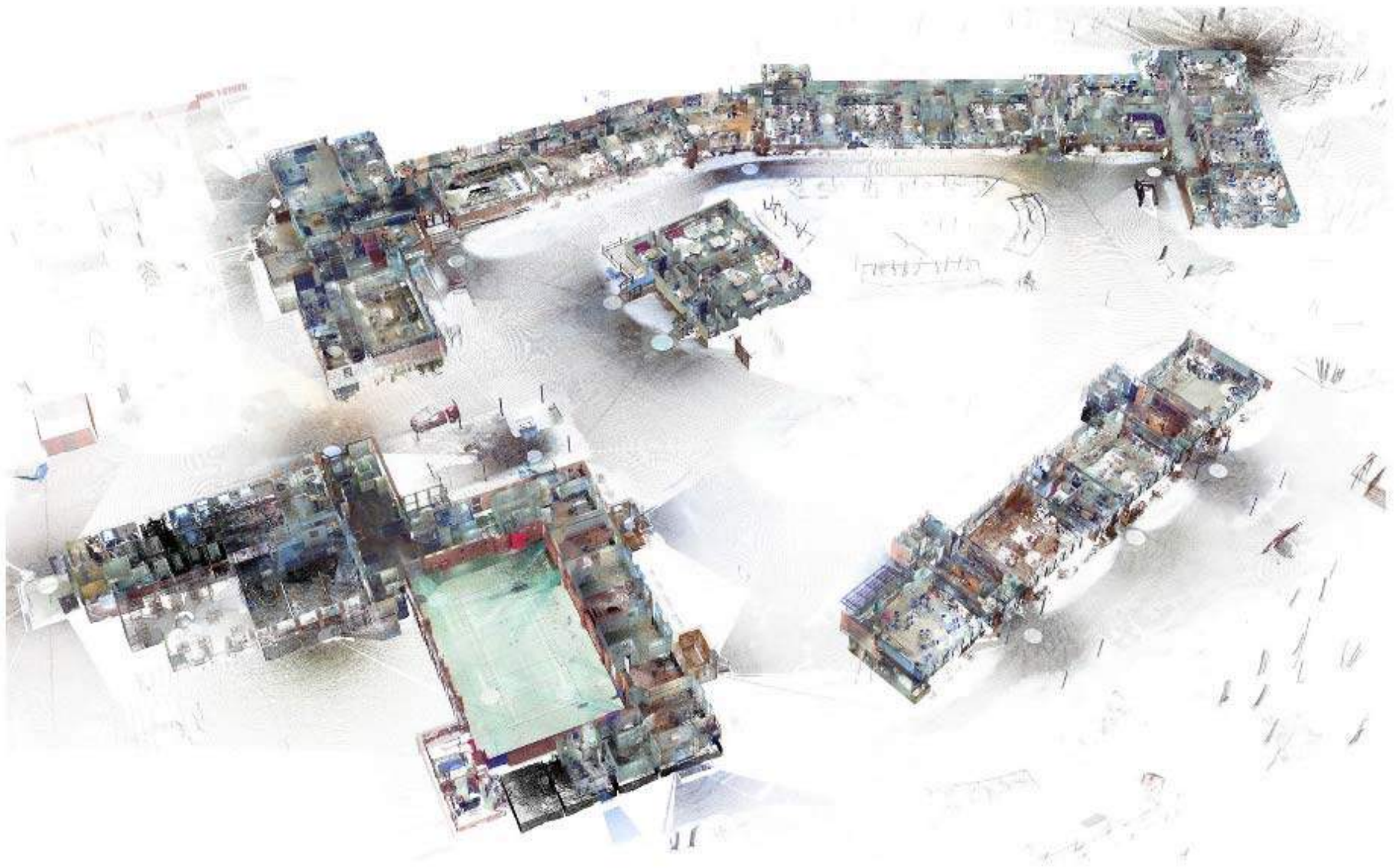


Automatic reconstruction of BIM model from PointCloud.
Resulting BIM model (output as IFC Format).
Time needed for automated reconstruction: 10min per
Floor/Building

Automatic Reconstruction – Cad-Q Højskolan



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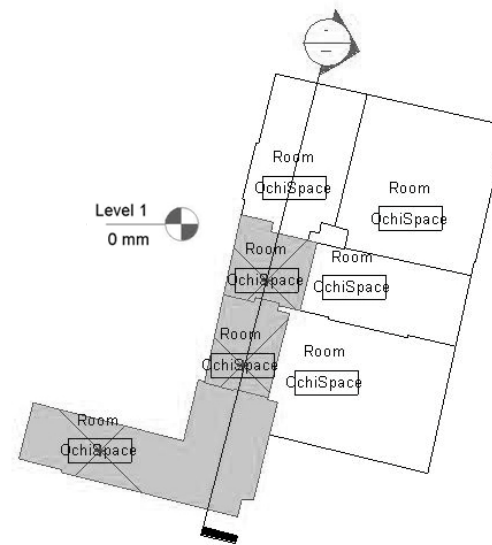
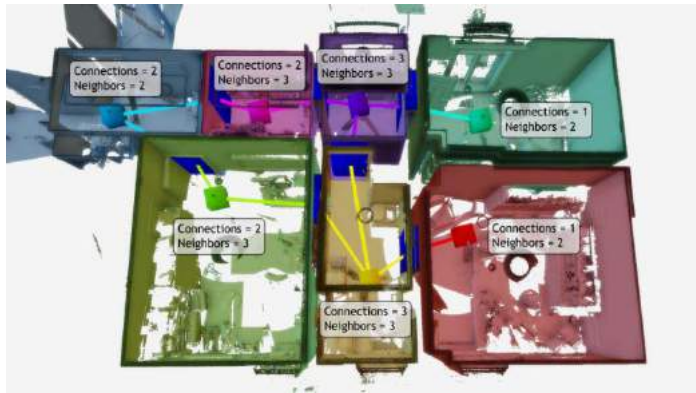


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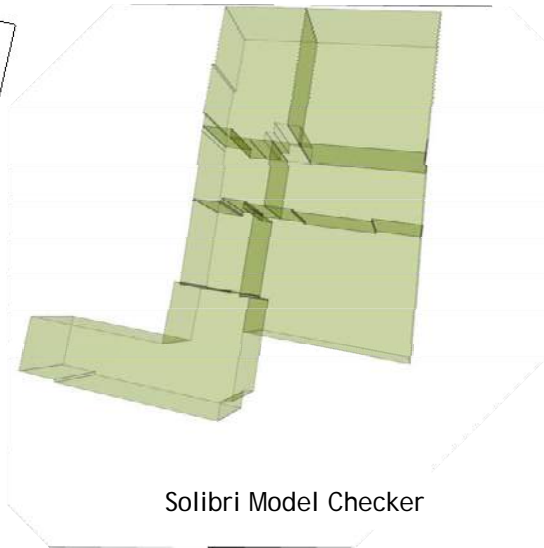


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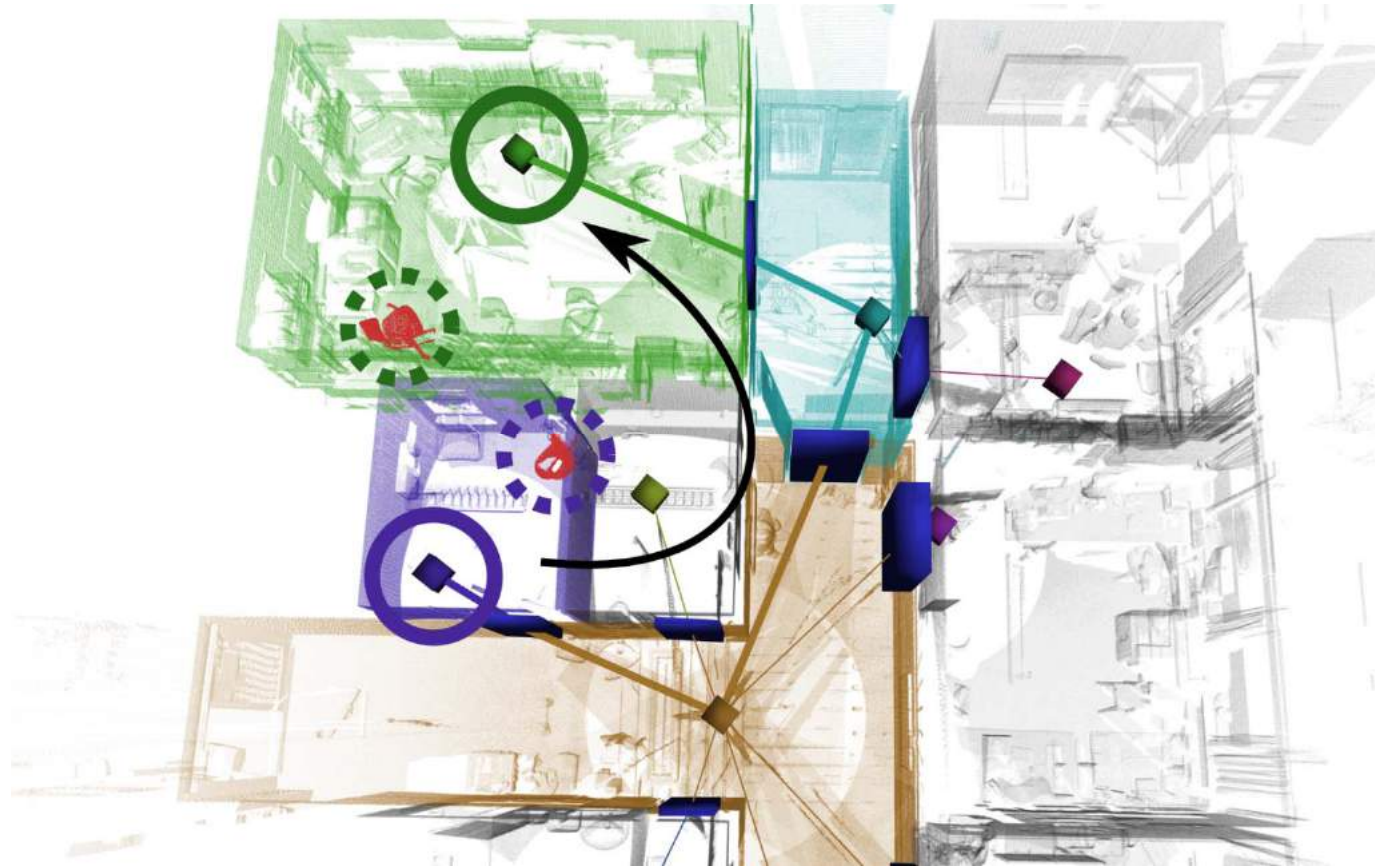
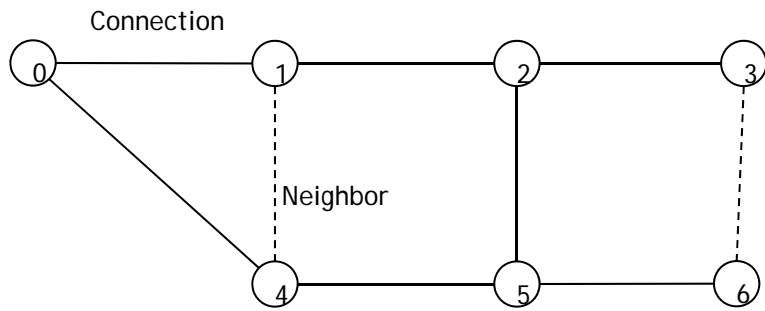


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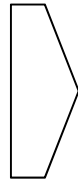
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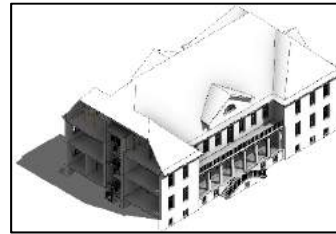
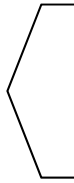
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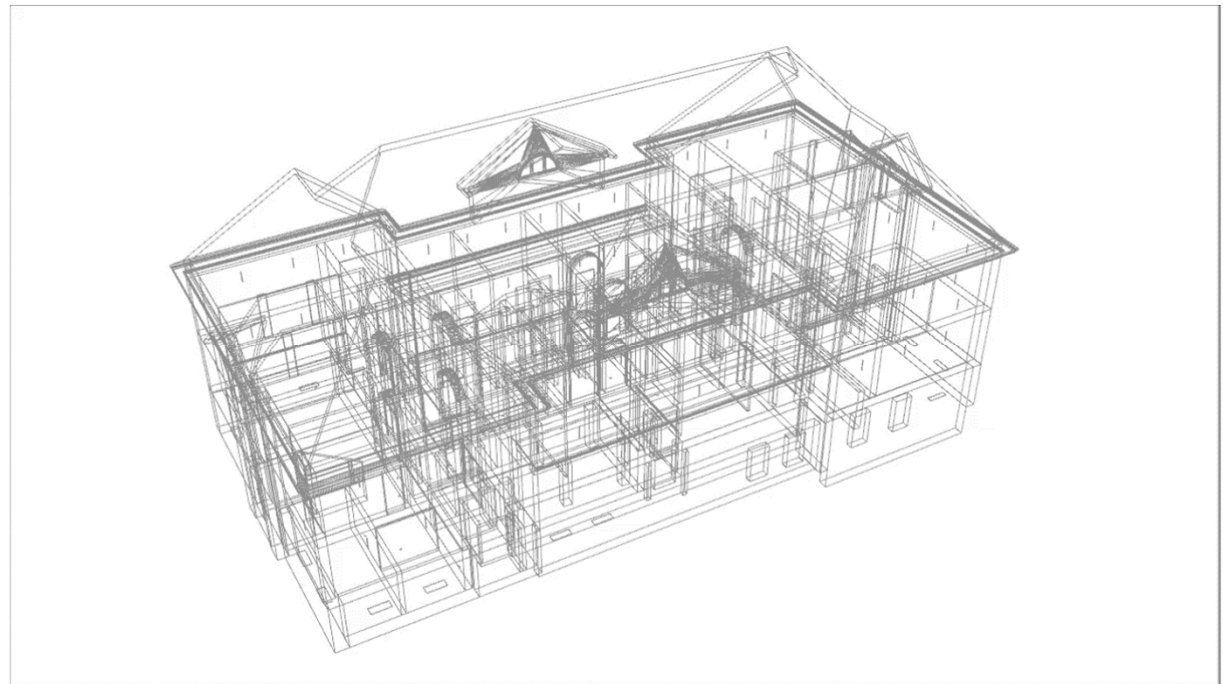
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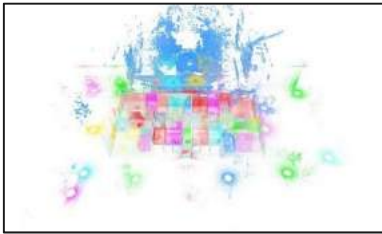
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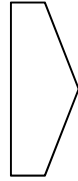
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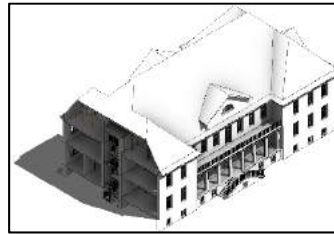
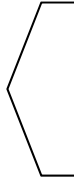
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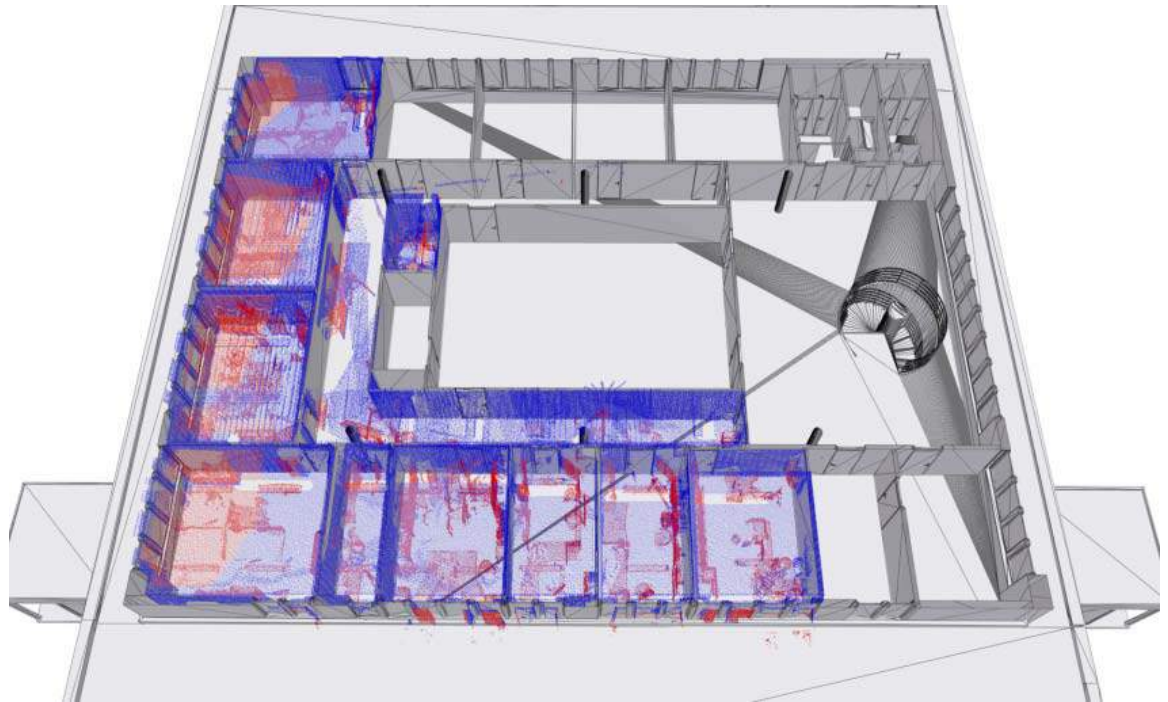
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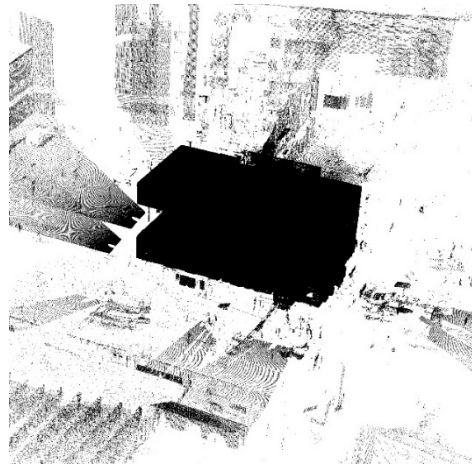


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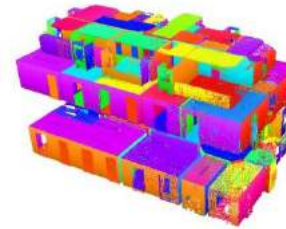


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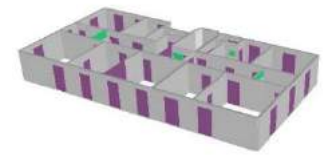
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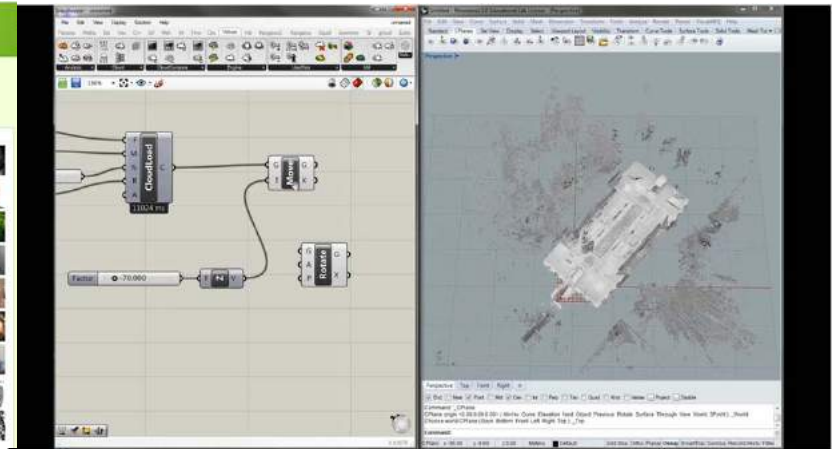


Identification of Elements and
Spaces



BIM models

Volvox for Grasshopper/Rhino 3259 Downloads within 1. Year



Main Outcome: Tools and Techniques



Towards:

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