



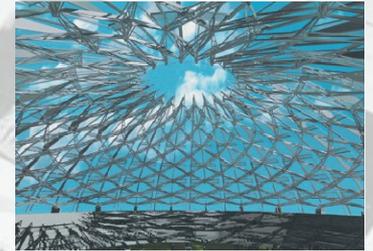
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Quick construction by deployable structures

**A study on deployable structures enabling a quick  
constructional method**



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- Scissor-like deployable structures**
- Pantograph structures**
- Adaptive/interactive kinetic structures**



# INTRODUCTION

“Deployable structures are prefabricated structures capable of executing large configuration changes thus can be transformed from a usually a closed, compact configuration to a predetermined, expanded form in which they are stable and can carry loads” [Gantes]

## Deployable structures in nature

- virus capsids
- leaves
- wing of insects



Image from: Kishimoto (et al) - New Deployable Membrane Structure Models Inspired by Morphological Changes in Nature

## Man made deployable structures

- Small and simple deployable structures: chair, umbrella, fans
- Advanced structures in spatial engineering: booms, solar arrays, antennas
- Structures for civil engineering and architecture: tents, portable shelters, retractable roofs, kinetic exhibition displays

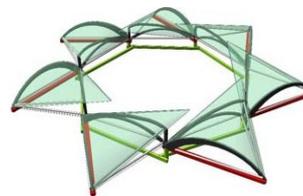


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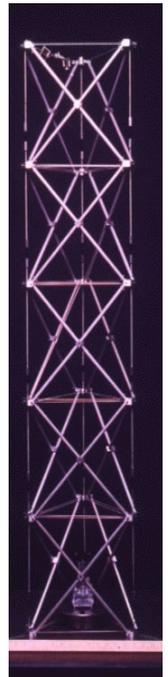
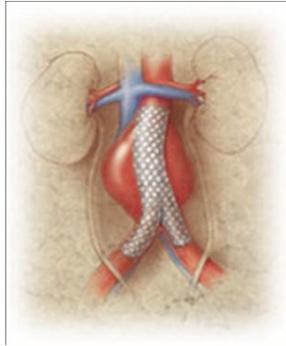


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!!!**Resistance** to service loads in the operational configuration + **flexibility** enabling transformation process

# INTRODUCTION

## Why to make it deployable?



pop-up Stent



World Memorial Hall



Nara Centennial Hall



Pop up tent by Pinnacle



Deployable exhibition display by  
Nomadic Display



Hamanizuki Park

- Easy and fast mounting

# INTRODUCTION

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- Transformability, transportability

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Oita Main Stadium

BMW 3 convertible

Cardinal Stadium

- Response to external excitations

„to design a cabrio is like to design a suspension bridge without cables”

# SCISSOR LIKE DEPLOYABLE STRUCTURES – The principle

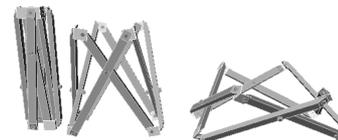
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- Secondary units:



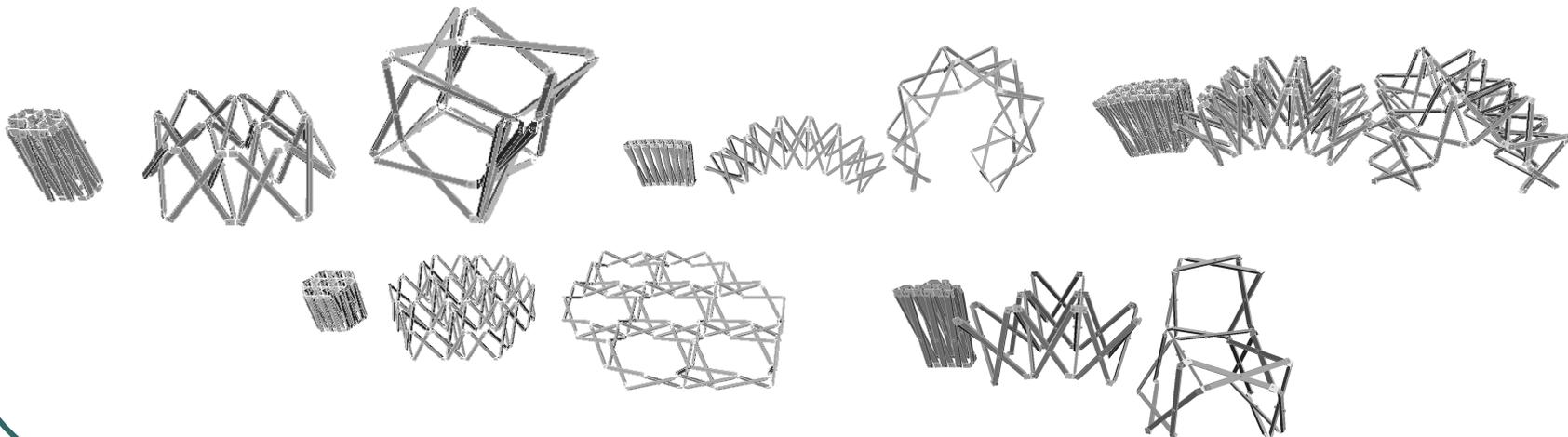
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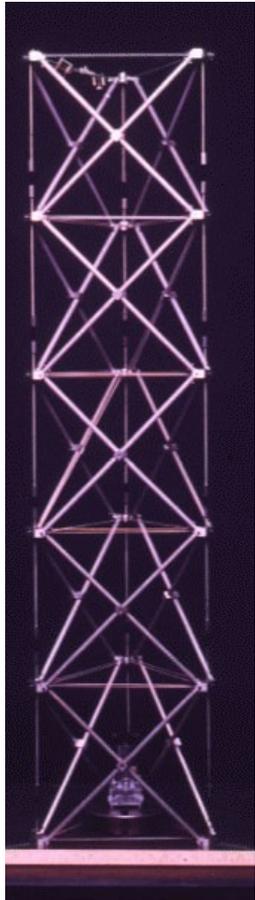
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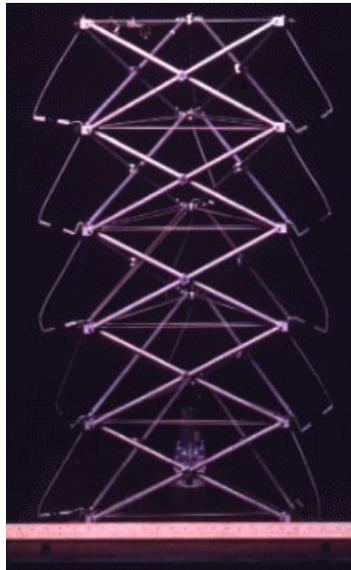
Skew type unit



# SCISSOR LIKE DEPLOYABLE STRUCTURES with external control and stabilization



Deployable mast of S. Pellegrino



Deployable bridge in the Hamanizuki Park

Images from: Deployable Structures Laboratory

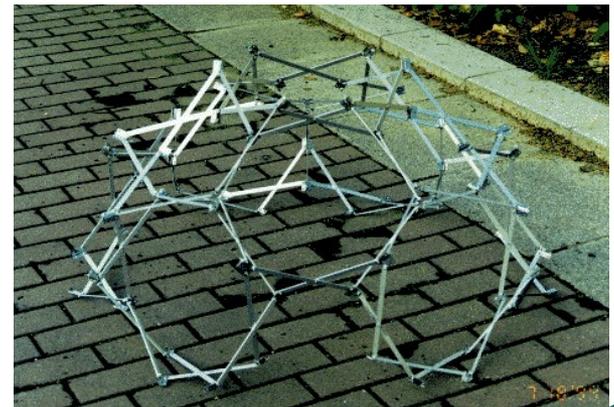
# Deployable domes



Hamanizuki Park deployable dome



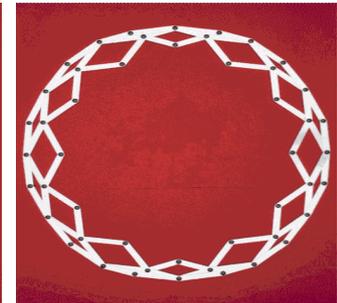
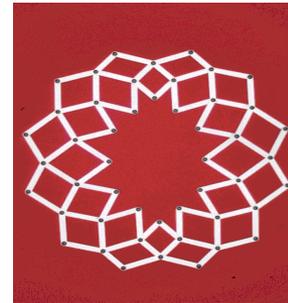
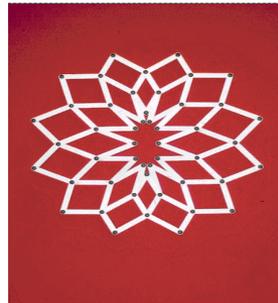
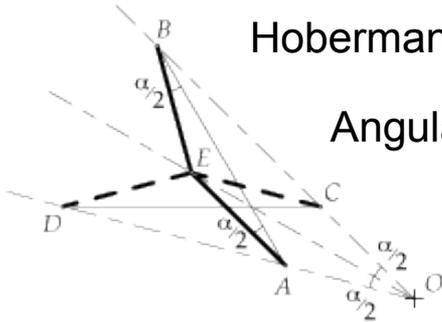
Hoberman magesphere



# Retractable roof structures

Hoberman:

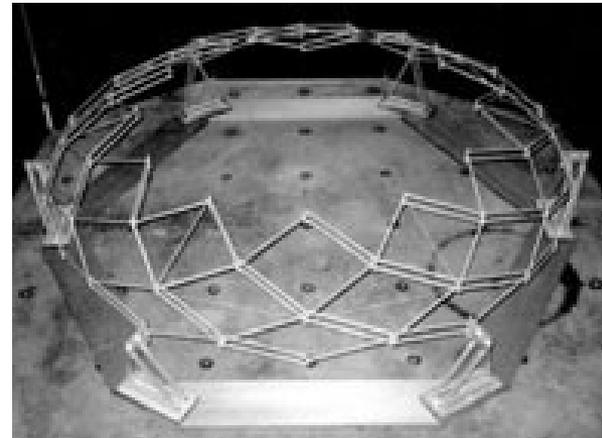
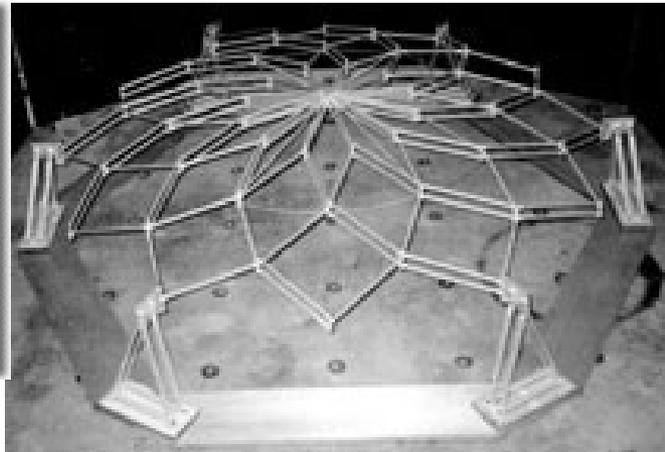
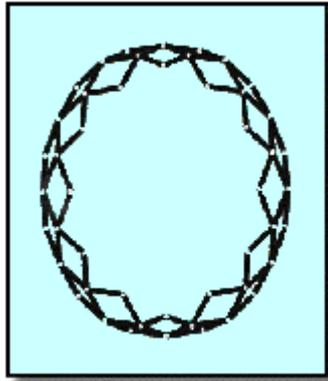
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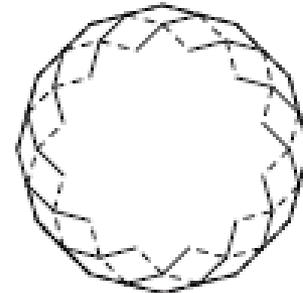
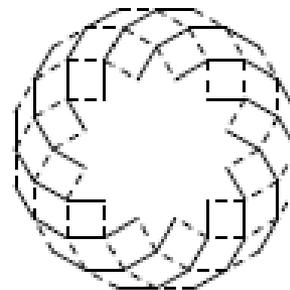
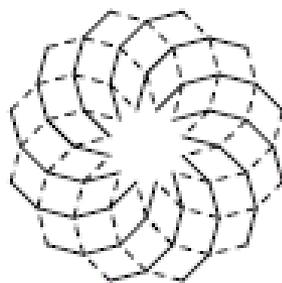
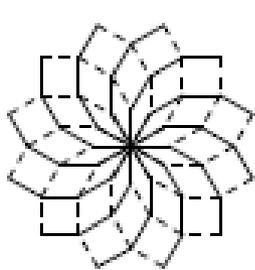
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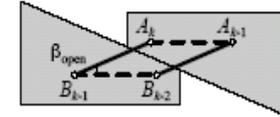
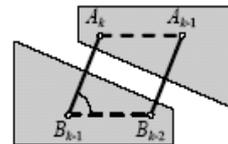
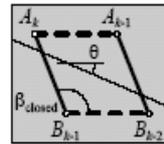
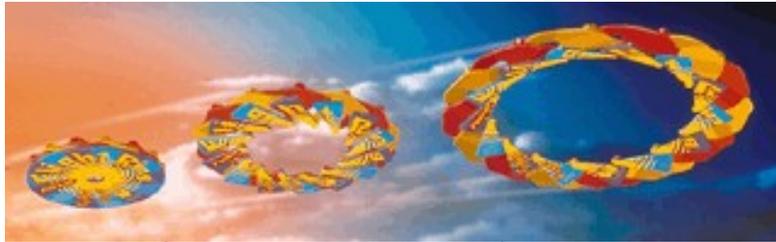
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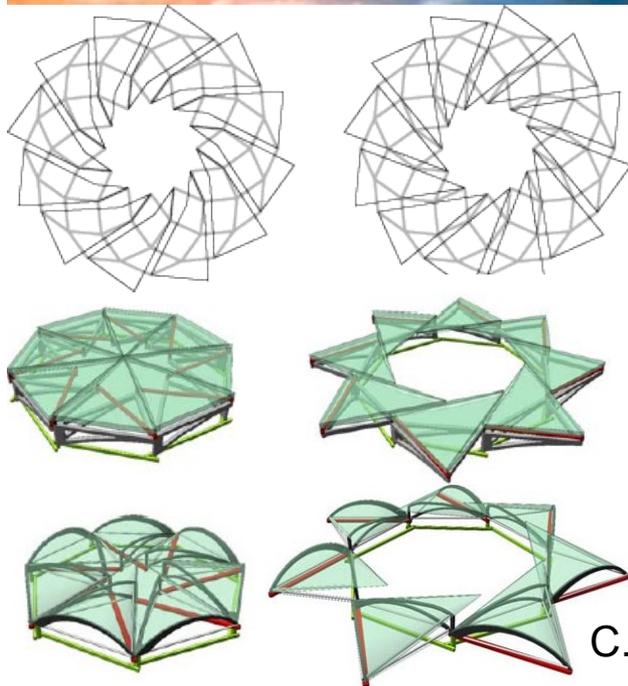
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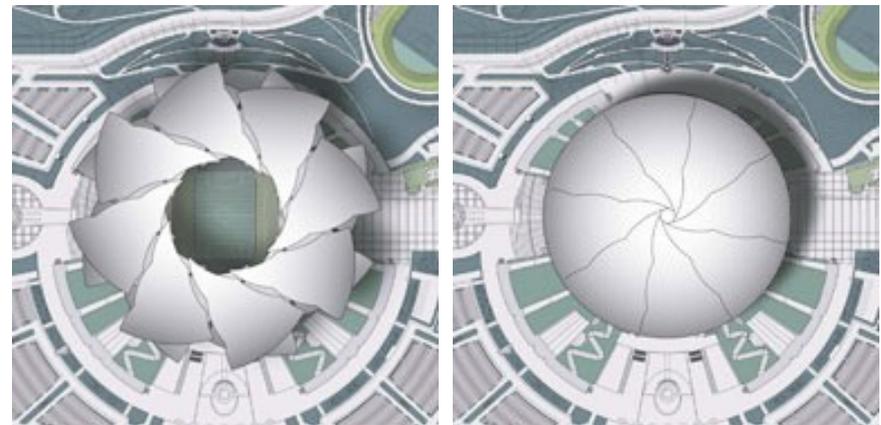
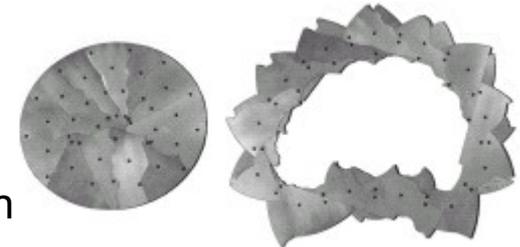
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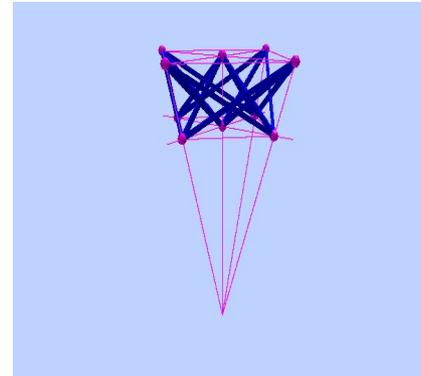
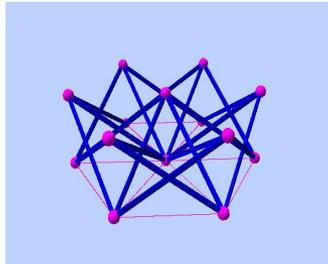
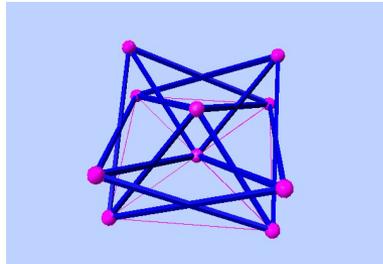
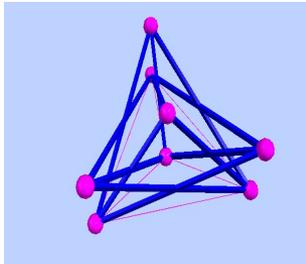


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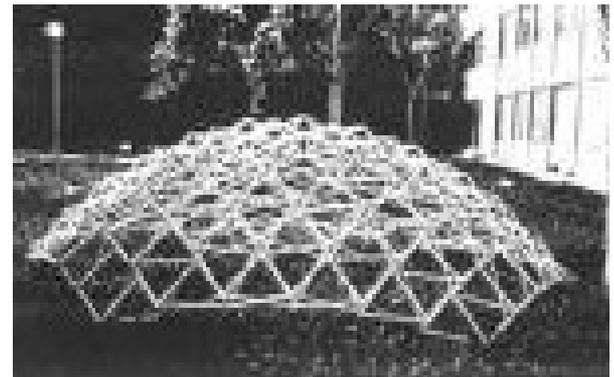
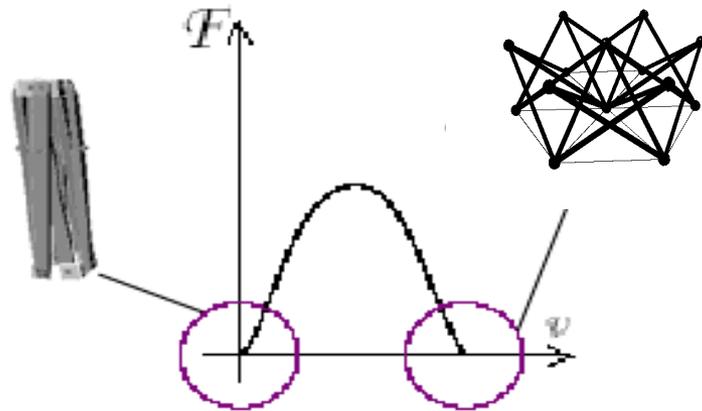


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# Self-locking SCISSOR LIKE DEPLOYABLE STRUCTURES



Zeigler, Krishnapillai, Logcher , Rosenfeld, Gantes



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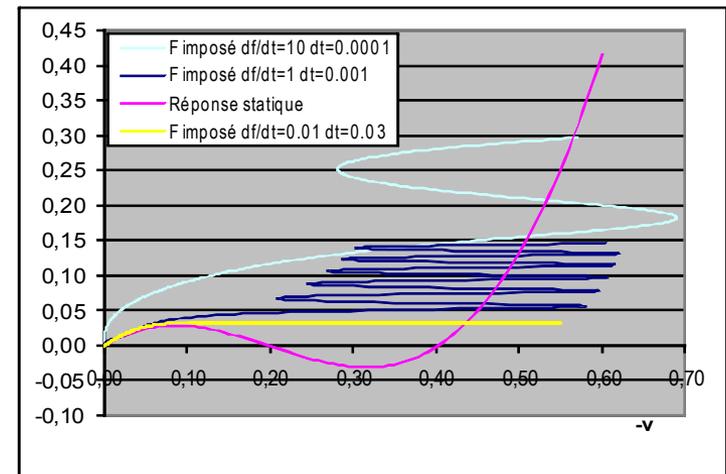
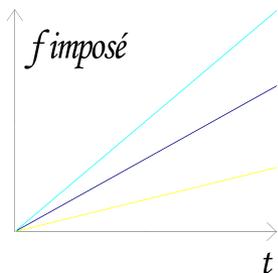
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Not stable  $\Pi(\underline{\varphi} + \underline{\omega}) < \Pi(\underline{\varphi}) \Rightarrow \underline{\omega} \cdot \underline{K} \cdot \underline{\omega} < 0 \Leftrightarrow \underline{K}$  negative definit  $\exists \underline{\omega} \neq 0$

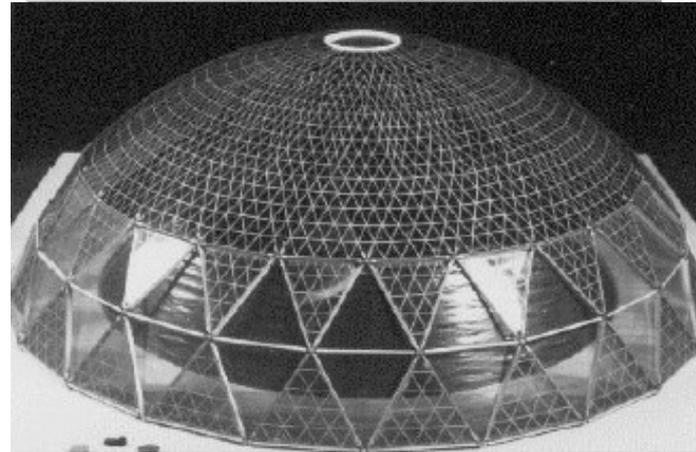
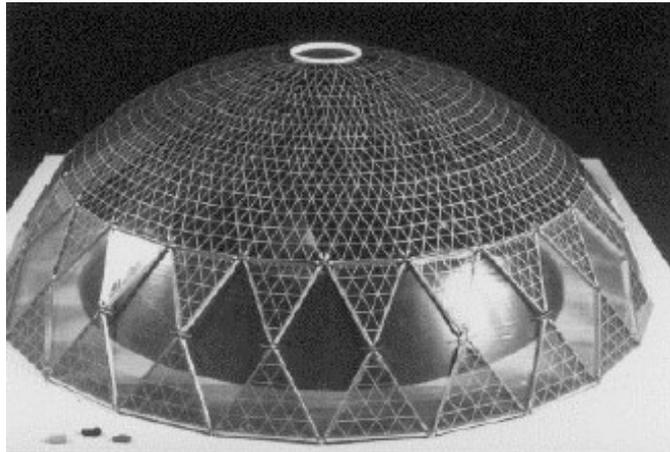
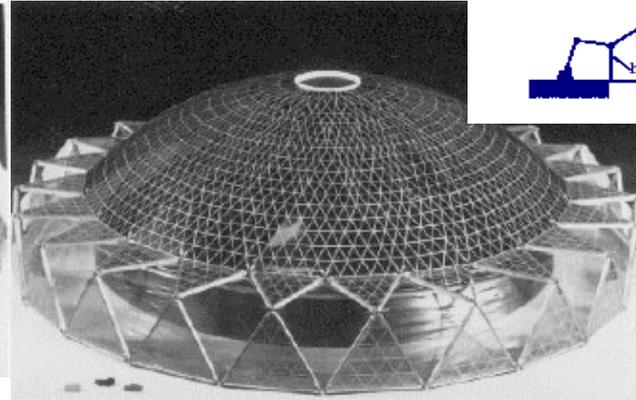
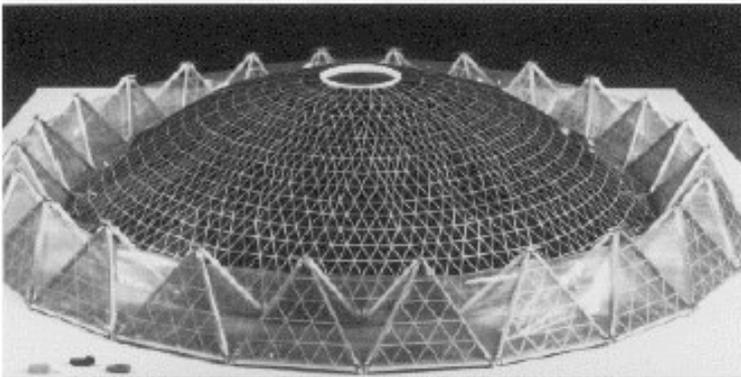
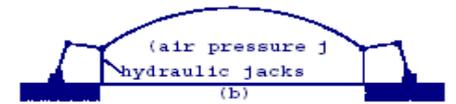
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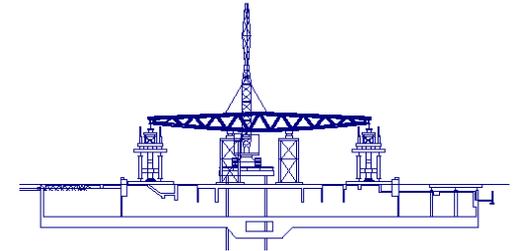
$$\underline{\omega} = \underline{\Psi} \Rightarrow \underline{0} = \underbrace{\left\{ \underline{K} - \lambda \underline{I} \right\}}_{=0} \cdot \underline{\Psi} = \underline{K} \cdot \underline{\Psi}$$



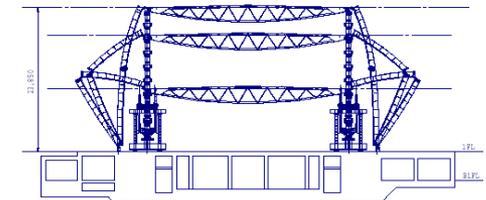
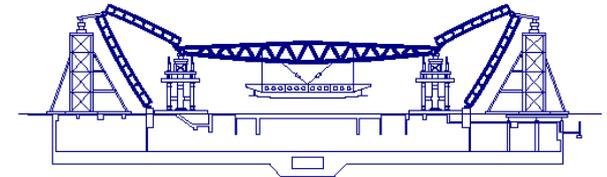
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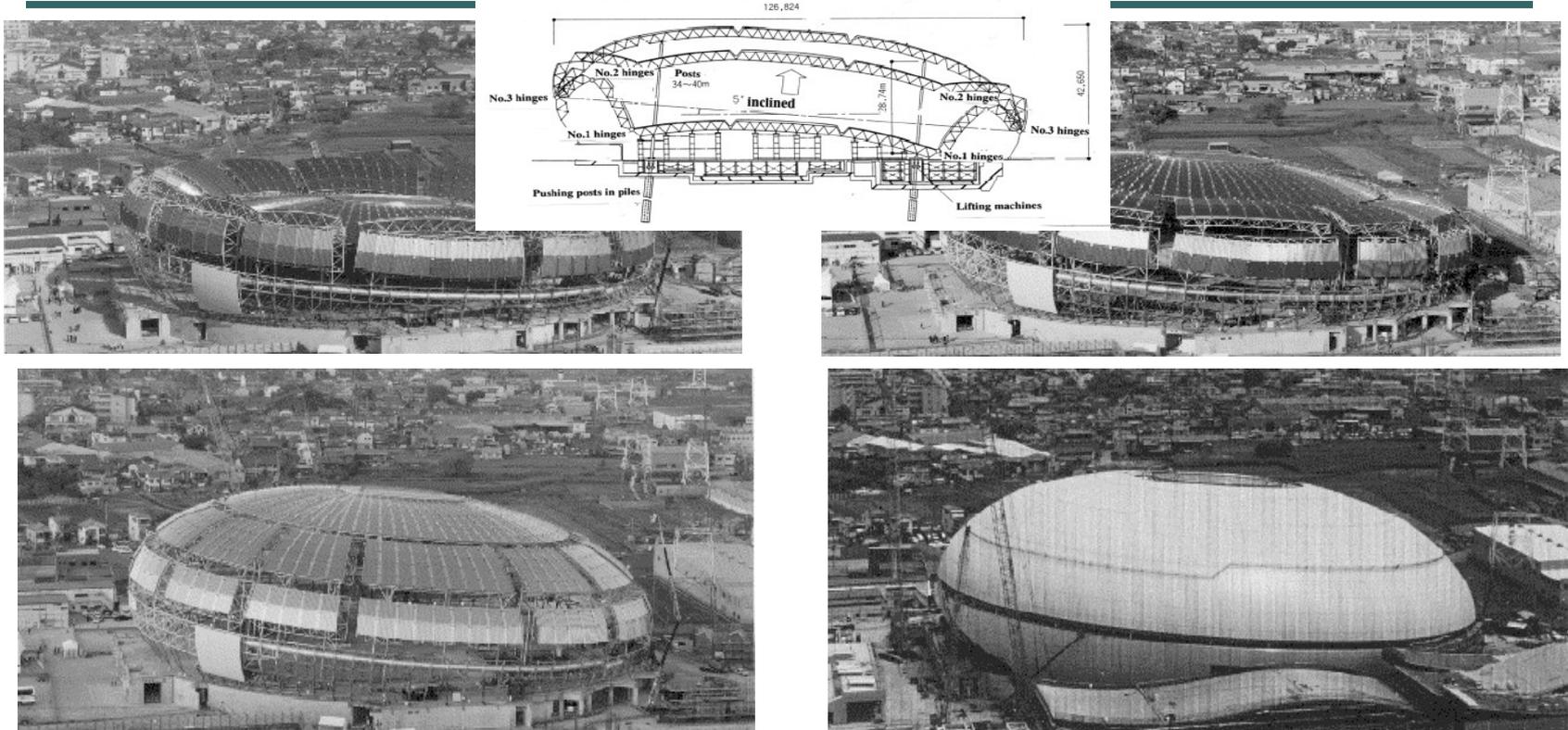
# The „pantograph” erection



Nara Centennial Hall (138x42m)–  
A. Isozaki 1998



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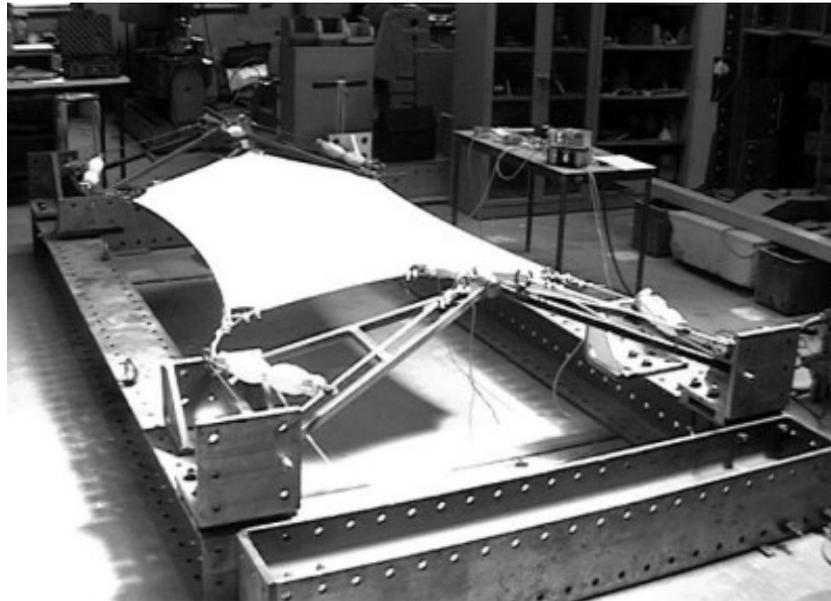
Namihaya Dome (~127x111m) 1997 Osaka - Showa Sekkei Co.

# Adaptive/interactive kinetic structures

Resistance in infinite number of configurations - changing of shape, mechanical and physical properties and overall behavior as a response to external excitations and requirements.

## Three integral component

- Sensors
- Processors
- Actuator



Adaptive structure introducing artificial muscles (PPAM) in the structure  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Philippe Block

## Summary and research perspectives

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Deployable structures are promising structures that can be easily adapted to the new concepts of the XXI. century:

- Light structures with economical material use;
- Fast and prefabricated construction;
- Option for reutilization;
- Light and transparent architecture with minimal environmental damages.

High level difficulties in the design process:

- Complex joints and difficult control;
- Calculation problems;
- Highly immature structures without engineering routine: realized structures with very specific need.