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Project EDEN ... the Largest green house

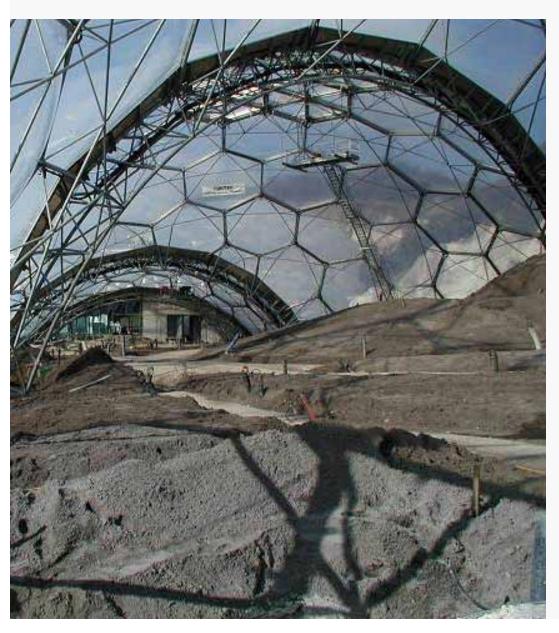
Architect: Nicholas, Grimshaw

Location: St. Austell Cornwall, England

•Construction System: plastic glazing and tensile-braced steel.



The Components of the structure....



Organically deformed vault like form:

- Tensile-braced steel.

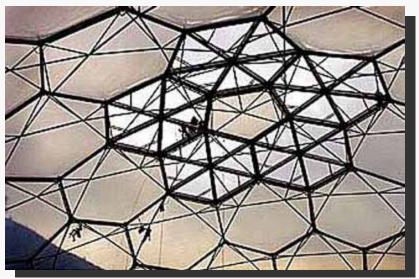
•Covered Biomes:

- -Three layers of **ETFE foil** within the hexagons.
- -Blown apart by air forming an insulating pillow.
- -Air inflated to conserve heat and energy.

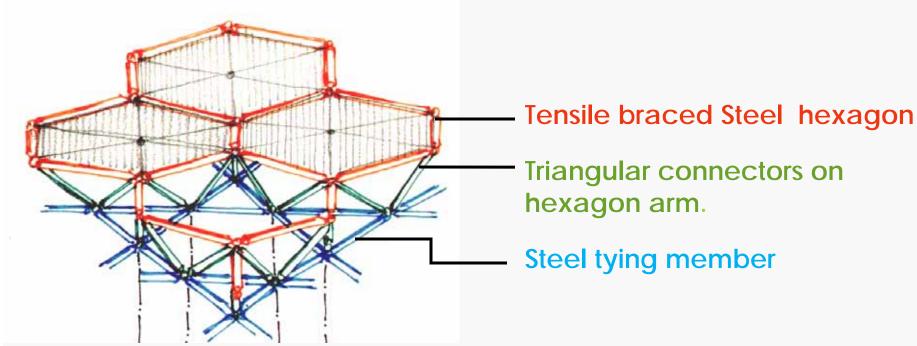
•Girder:

-Arched girders transfer the domes load to the strip foundation.

The Structural Geometry....



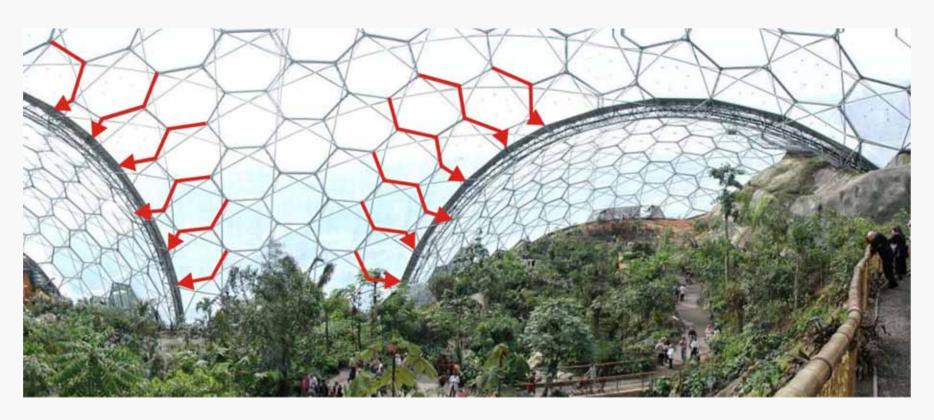
The structure is composed of hexagons and pentagons to form the desired vault shape.







The Load is transferred from plastic glazing.....

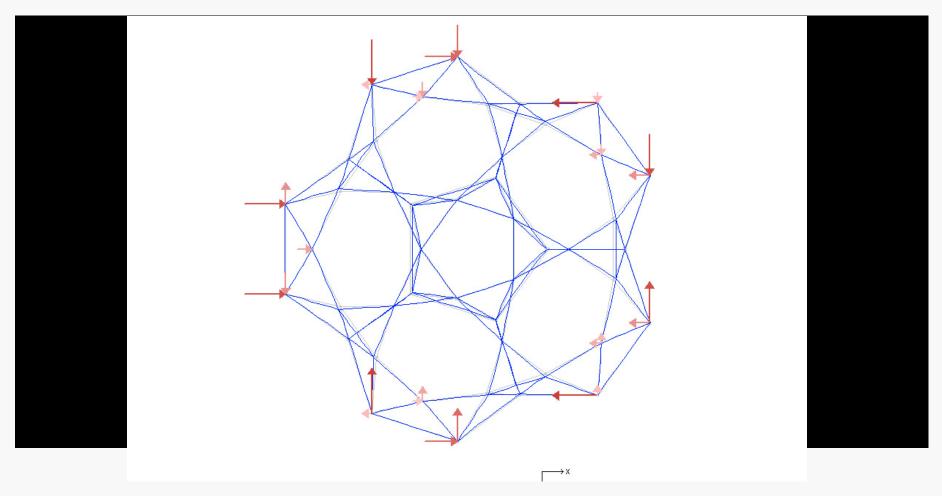


On to the steel braced hexagons

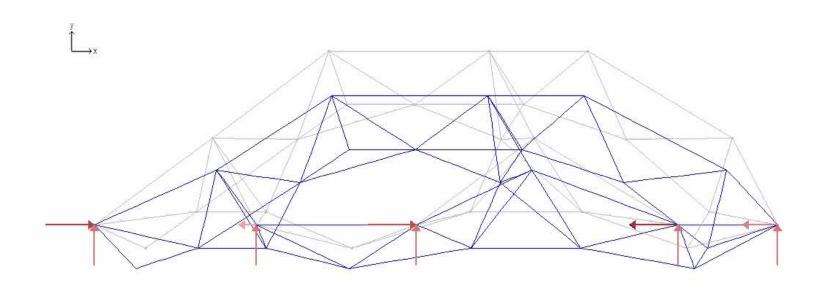


From which the load is carried down to the foundation by steel girders

•Deflection:

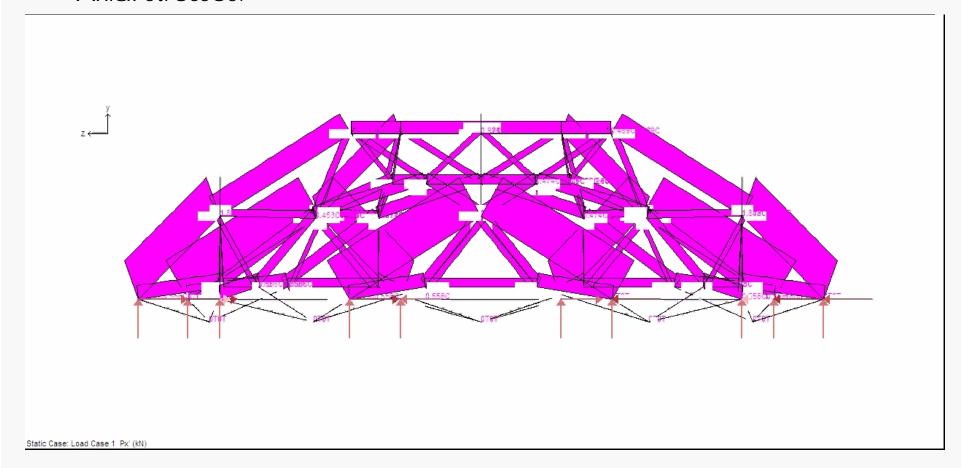


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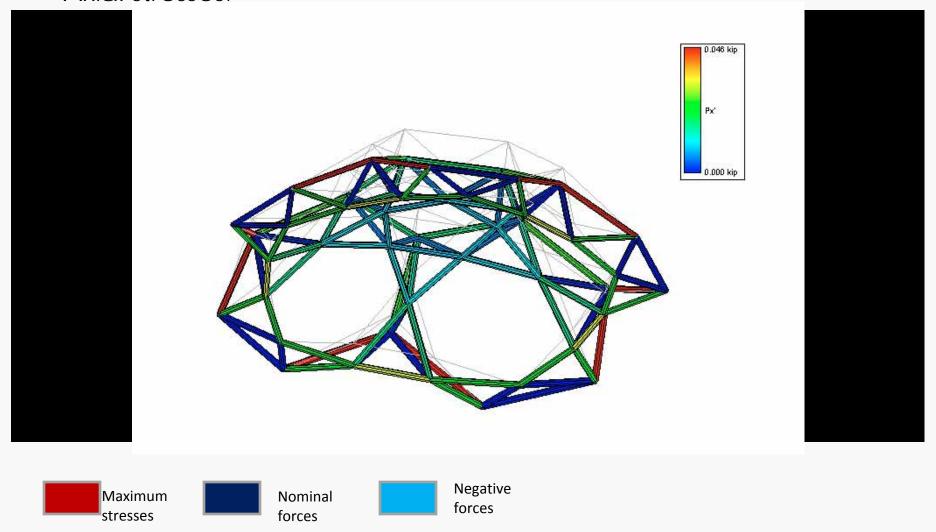


Static Case: Load Case 1 Defl. (mm)

•Axial stresses:



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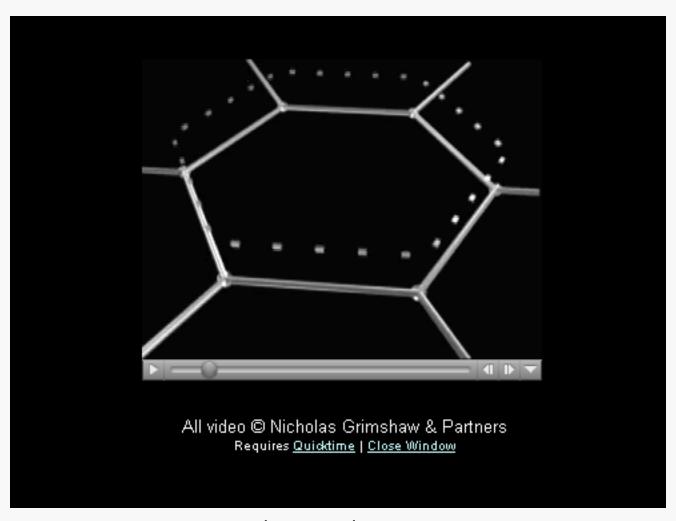




Joints....

- . All the joints in the structure are pinned.
- . The dome does not resist any moment.
- . Rigidity is attained by triangular form of the elements.

The structural assembly:



http://archrecord.construction.com/projects/portfolio/archives/0201eden1.asp

