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## Titanium Dioxide

#### What is it?

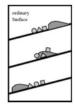
The polysiloxane base is porous enough to allow NOx to diffuse though it and adhere to the titanium dioxide particles. The particles absorb ultraviolet radiation in sunlight and use this energy to convert NOx to nitric acid.

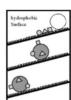
The acid is then either washed away in rain, or neutralized by the alkaline calcium carbonate particles, producing harmless quantities of carbon dioxide, water and calcium nitrate, which will also wash away. In a typical 0.3-millimetre layer, there will be enough calcium carbonate to last five years in a heavily polluted city, says Robert McIntyre of the British company Millennium Chemicals. based in Grimsby, Lincolnshire, which developed the paint. When the carbonate has been exhausted, the titanium dioxide will continue to break down NOx, but the acid this produces will discolour the paint.

How does it work?

Photoadhesive Smart Material Their inherent properties allow products based on photoadhesive materials to change reversibly their adhesion in response to light.

Properties Molecular formula TiO2 Molar mass 79.87 g/mol Appearance White solid Density 4.23 g/cm3 Melting point 1870 °C (3398 °F) Boiling point 2972 °C (5381.6 °F) Solubility in other solvents Insoluble











#### What types of applications?

-Powder (Fine granulated powder of TIO2, used as an additive, clear product but usually mixed with a pure white pigment.)

-Glass (Conventional glass panes with TIO2 surface coating, Available as flat glass in various surface sizes depending on the manufacture, extensive cutting to shape required. They are best suited for use where self cleaning and air quality improvement by breaking down organic pollutants is desirable.)

-Construction membranes (Textile membranes fully coated with plastic e.g. PVC, PTFE with TIO2 surface coating, preferably the anatase modification. Available in rolls in various dimensions depending on the manu-

facturer, extensive cutting to shape required, can be prefabricated to suit the customer's requirements as conventional construction membranes, best suited for use where self cleaning is desirable. High temperatures may

present or deteriorate any air improvement qualities.) -Ceramic (Ceramic slabs with a surface coating of baked on TIO2, preferably the anatase modification, currently available as facade slabs e.g. with dimensions 592mm x 284mm and as wall and floor tiles, can be handled and used like conventional

facade slabs and tiles. They are intended for use where their self cleaning properties and their ability to improve the air quality by breaking down organic pollutants are important.)

-Concrete (The reaction with Titanium Dioxide works through adding sunlight. Titanium dioxide has the ability to absorb UV light; this capture of UV radiation then enables a catalytic reaction to take place which destroys common pollutants from vehicle emissions that happen to touch the surface of the titanium diox-

-Paints (Add-mixture of powder into paints. Application of raw material.)

-Paper (Surface treatment of powder baked into paper fibers. Application

### Precedence Projects



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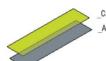






Test fabric sample oating/Stiffing 0% Rigid twisting test 0%

When using a simple canvas matrix piece of fabric, its resistence to bending and



Canvas Fabric Acrylic w/ TIO2

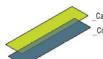






Acrylic 90% TIO2 10%. Coating/Stiffing 30% Rigid twisting test 50%

When adding a coating of Acrylic and TIO2 the solvent seeps into the cavities of the fabrics' matrix. This effect crystallizes and adds rigidity to the fabric giving it a fair amount of bending and twisting resistance



Canvas Fabric Concrete w/ TIO2

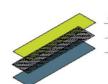






Concrete 80% 20% Coating/Stiffing 10% Rigid twisting test 5%

Using a concrete mix with TIO2 actually weakened the bond of the hardneing cement on the fabric matrix. When twisted the result was a crumbeling. Probably a new ration of water to Portland cement is need to completely solidify the coating but due to the thin profile of the fabric suggests that a concrete mix would need a much thinker surface depth for a significant strength increase.



Canvas Fabric Soft nylon mesh Concrete w/ TIO2







Concrete 80% TIO2 20% Soft Mesh Coating/Stiffing 10% Rigid twisting test 10%

Adding another soft matrix over the canvas fabric ideally should give more random surface overlap of cavities that the concrete solution could fill. Instead a slight depth and increase in surface contact is provided for the concrete but the twisting motion breaks the concrete bond due its weak tensile strength.



Canvas Fabric Hard Steel mesh Concrete w/ TIO2







Concrete 80% TIO2 20% Hard Mesh Coating/Stiffing 20% Rigid twisting test 50%

When layering a hard steel mesh over the fabric and then coating it with concrete increased its rigid twisting strength but potentially relied solely on the strength of the steel mesh.



Canvas Fabric Concrete, Acyrlic and TIO2







Concrete 50% Acrylic 40% TO2 10%. oating/Stiffing 30% Rigid twisting test 40%

All of these test with the concrete acrylic combo have the same effect as the non acrylic except the flaking is less because the acrylic has better bonding agents.



Canvas Fabric Soft nylon mesh Concrete, Acyrlic

and TIO2











Hard Steel mesh Concrete, Acyrlic and TIO2

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Acrylic 40% TO2 10% Soft Mesh Coating/Stiffing 30%



Fiberglass Fabric Epoxy Resin Mix







100% Epoxy Resin Coating/Stiffing 70% Rigid twisting test 70%

Using waxed glass as a molding surface, the fiberglass and epoxy were painted on in thin layers over 48 hours. When tested the strength is significant relative to scale. The 9 sq foot sheet was

very weak. The material also lacks a memory.



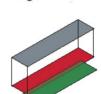
Fiberglass Fabric TI02 Epoxy Resin Mix







70% Epoxy Resin 30% TIO2 Coating/Stiffing 70% Rigid twisting test 75% When TIO2 is mixed into the epoxy the compression strength is increased because the TIO2 acts as micro aggregate filling the ep oxy chain with larger and stronger molecules. The overall strength at my testing scale is barely noticeable.



TIO2 after harden

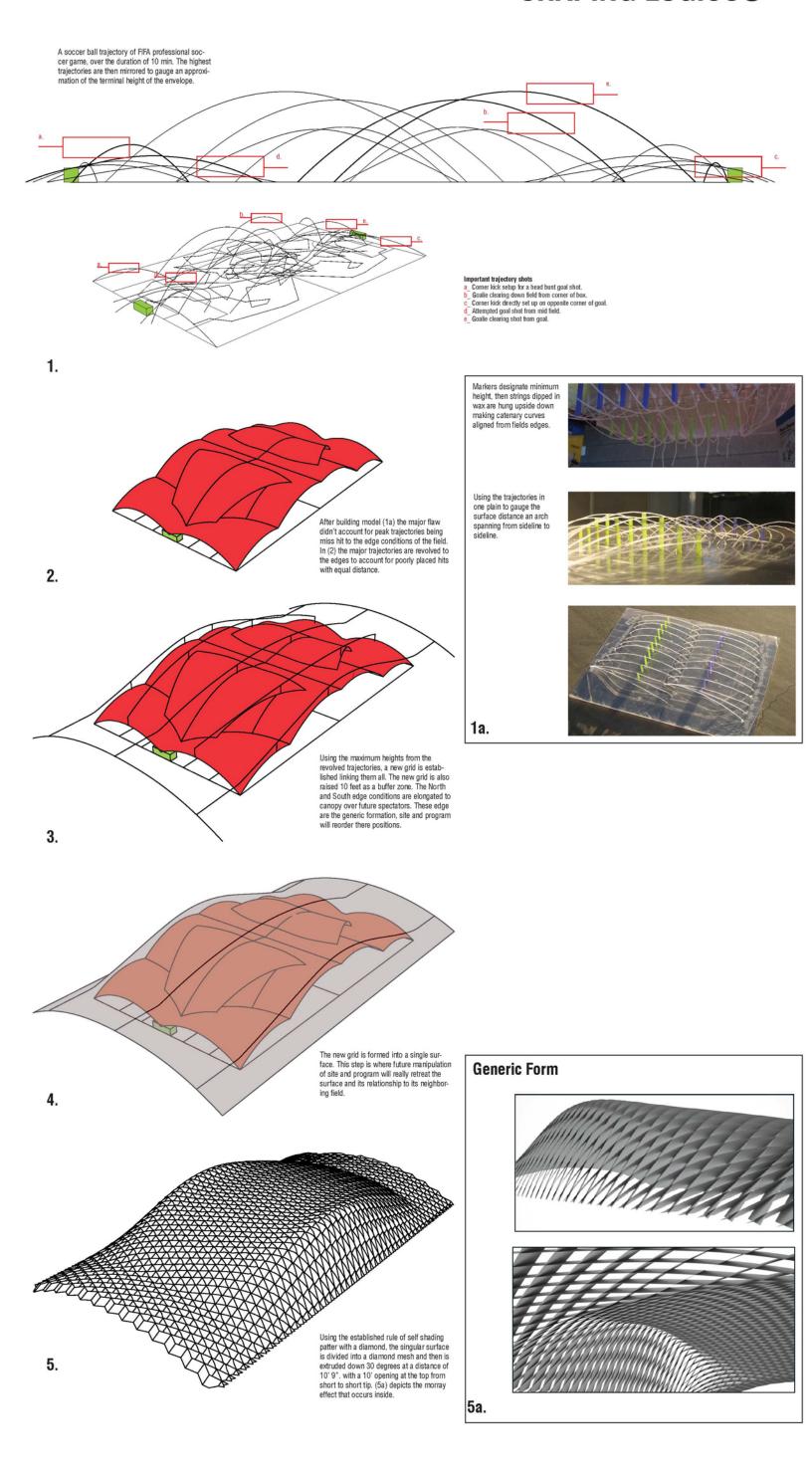






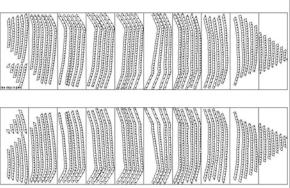
100% Epoxy Resin TIO2 w/ Acrlic after Coating/Stiffing 70% Rigid twisting test 70% Painting on a layer of TIO2 and Acrylic seems to bond well with the fiberglass epoxy sheet. When twisted the coating of TIO2 does not crack off, but it doesn't seem to add any significant strength as

# SHAPING LOGICS 3



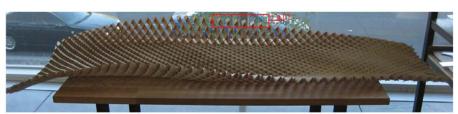
## PROTOTYPE4

## Cut Sheet



In Rhino modeling I drew indicators lines to designating where each strip intersected another, then they were flettened out digitally and grouped into sets. The two halves of the structre are symetrical so only one half was arranged and then mirrored.

## a.



The initial conception of assemblage, was that after slot fitting all the members that the model would spring into the designed form. Instead a new equal equilibrium was achieved where gravity and slot stress found a path of less resistance. This new form elongated in one direction extending the model an additional two feet.



During initial assemblage I started interlocking the pieces starting from the corner, about midway through the structure sprung out of place dislodging all the pieces.

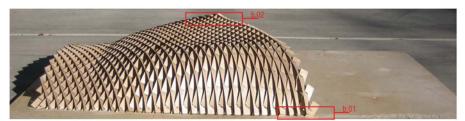


Second time rebuilding the structure I started from the center working out towards the edges, This allowed for the internal torsion to equalize itself out.



a.01 Once the torsion works on the structure it begins to lift itself along the permitter. The corners receive the most deflection.

## b.



The emphases on rebuild number two, is that by fixing the edge condtion where the strips meet the ground is the proper way to construct. Instead of springing into form the members are pulled taut to there limit to make the designated form. This makes the structure rigid but brittle.



Started weaving from the corner despite my initial discovery that you reduce less stress if start from the center. While construction the structure must be able to cantilever its own weight.



bends

b.01 The elasticity of the wood is to brittle b.02 The double curvature and redundant members are what give the form strength. and cause fractures while trying to make such tight interlocking

## **Tested Daily Shading**



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b.03. Construction tolerence at slip joint is not meet and the after effect is spekled lighting on the field.

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All the members are fiberglass cast in three layers of epoxy resin. To maintain the profile thickness of 1/32 the epoxy resin strength is inefficient to achieve the proper rigidity. Technically a layer of acrylic and TIO2 would be adhered to the structure at this stage and would add strength and opacity for shading capacity, but the semi clear epoxy strips produce shade without the coating.



c.01 Unable to determine why this bunching is occurring. This could be a mistake in construction or a structural effect that is occurring the actual structure to dislodge itself. This could be a severe threat to the structure.



The extreme elasticity causes sever sage. This is because the fiberglass strips retain no memory in the fabric. Gravity becomes the leading



The double curvature hump geometry still achieves enough strength to form the mailable strips.

## d.



This construction was done with fiberglass strips with out adequate stiffness. The foundation and fixed intersecting nodes are what give the form shape. This would suggest that material strength is only dependent on carrying its own weight through the network. This is essentially a textile construction. Also the density of the fiberglass mesh is dense enough to shade, but still has some transparency.

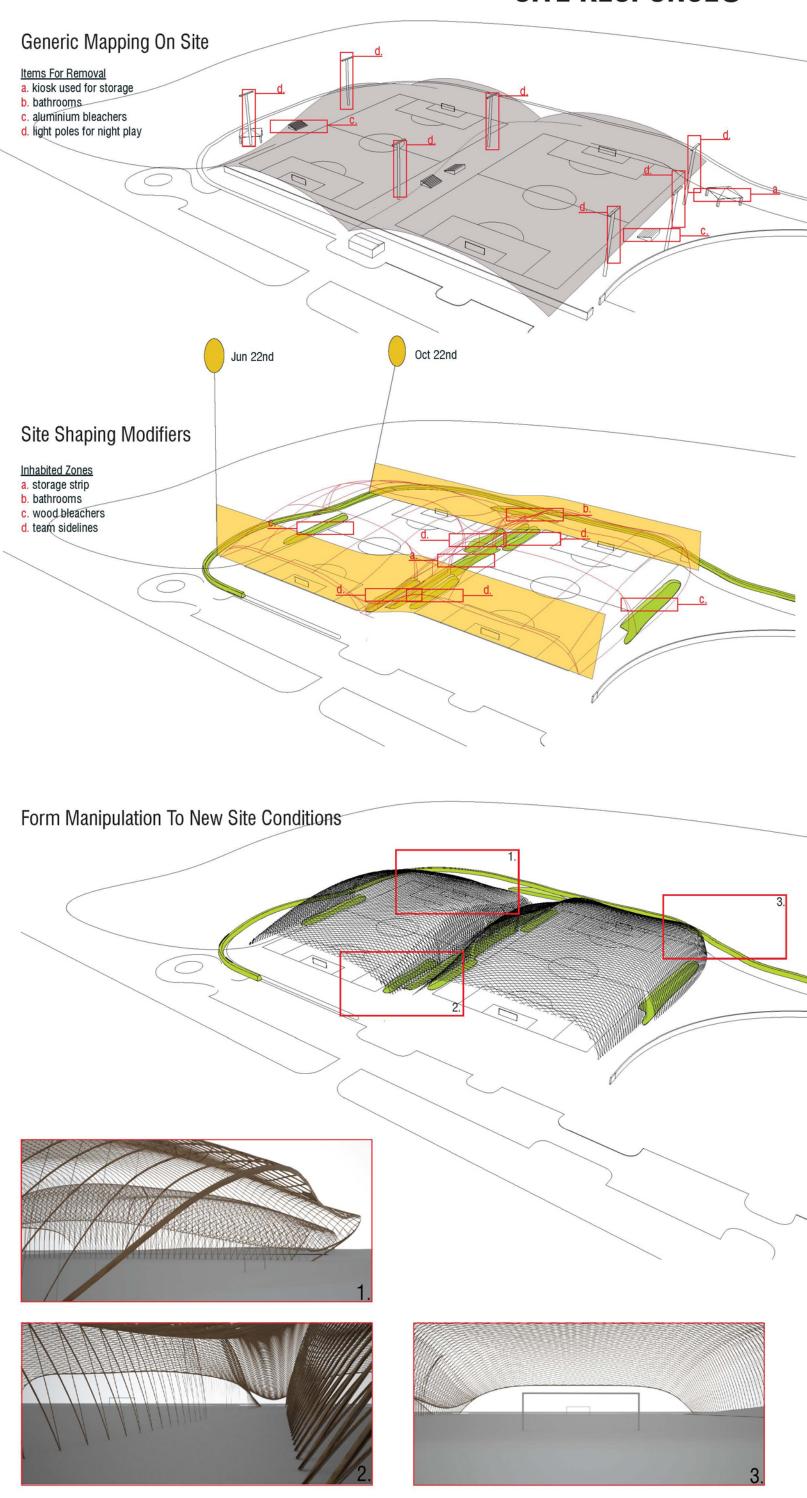


The overall fiberglass construction is using the wood as scaffolding. There is a portion at the apex of the hump where the overall form is collapsing which is the catalyst for d.02 collapsing.

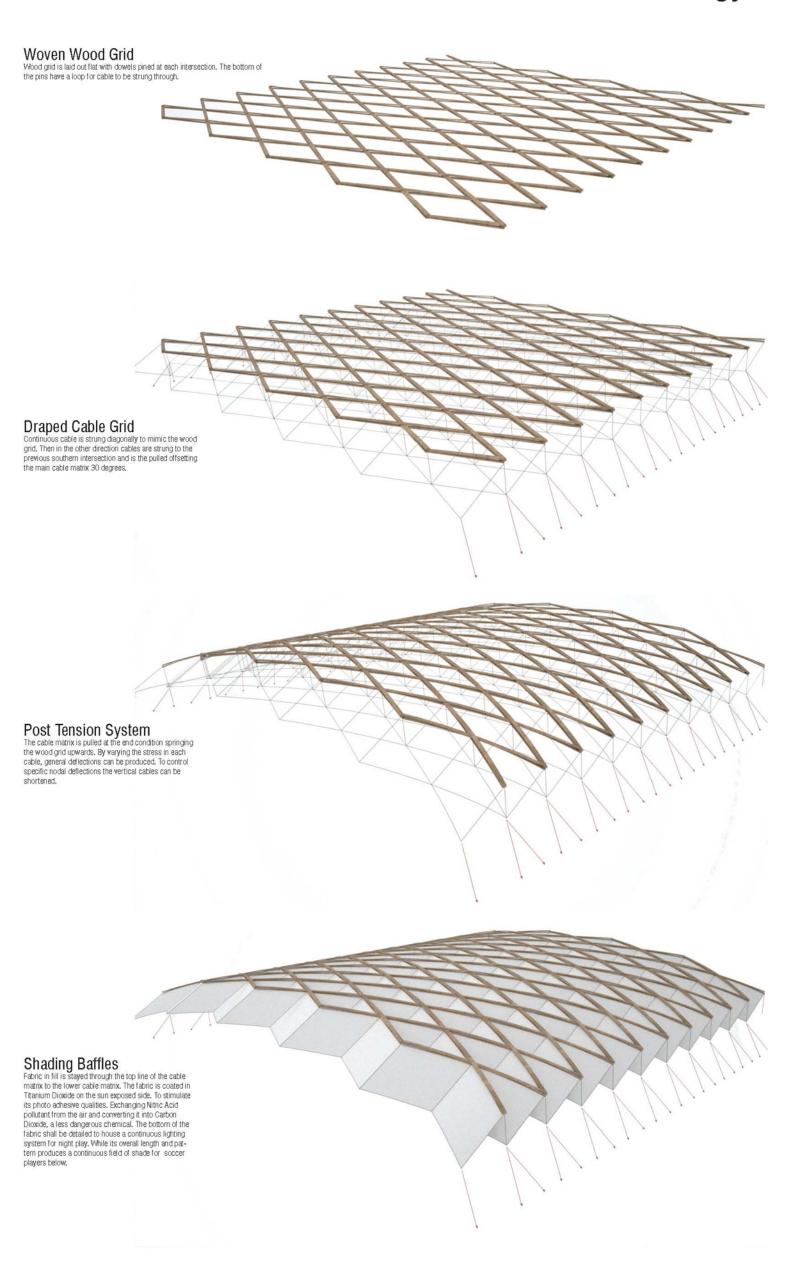


Because of the flexibility of the strips the layers begin to collapse on each other, causing the designated aperture to be sealed.

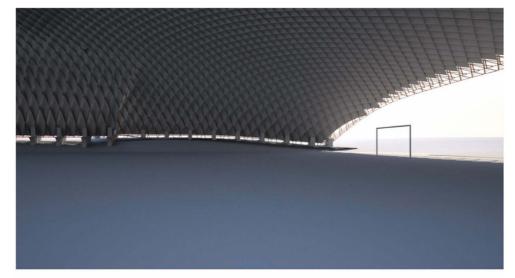
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# Structural Strategy 6



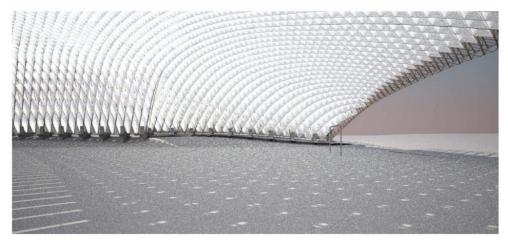
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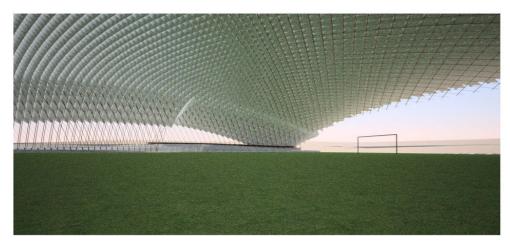
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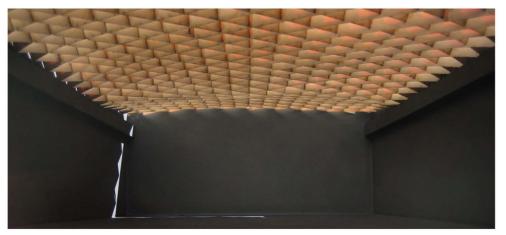
Simulated lighting condition using a milk. Reflectance(0) =229,229,299 Reflectance(90) =219,2519,215 ND Scale =1.30 Roughness =L(Lambert) & 0



Simulated lighting condition using a high reflective ceramic. Reflectance (0) = 243,243,243 Reflectance (90) = 163,163,163 ND Scale = 1 Roughness = 95,55,0



Simulated lighting condition using a rough paint finish Reflectance(0) =240,240,240 Reflectance(90) =254,254,254 ND Scale =3.00 Roughness =50



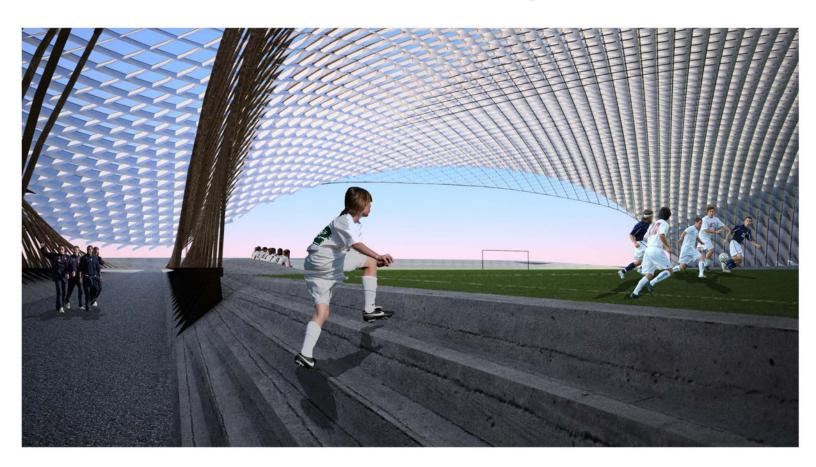
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# Spatial Qualities 8







# Ground Manipulation 11

