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BACKGROUND

Georgia Digital Building Tech Laboratory

Academic

ΜΙΤ

- BS Architectural Design '88
- MS Civil & Environmental Eng.
- PhD in Design Computation

Assoc Professor of Practice 2005–2015

UCLA, SCIARC, UCB,...

Georgia Tech

Director, Digital Building Lab Apr. 2016



Professional Technology Director for Frank Gehry, 1997



CTO Gehry Technologies 2002-2014



RESEARCH AREAS









CREATING THE NEXT®



Design Data Systems

"Facebook for models"

Courtsweb

Design Language

Shape Grammars

Generative Reconstructions

ORIGINS

Field developed on FLV Project 2008 (A. Witt)

200 users, 80 modelers, 10 organizations

10,000+ files, hundreds versioned daily

Intensive cloud processing





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Courtsweb

https://publiccourts.gsa.gov/

PI: Athanassios Economou Agency: GSA

CourtsWeb is an online information database designed to document new courthouses and to serve as a significant resource for new courthouse design. It provides an information-rich resource for General Services Administration (GSA), the Judiciary, and the contracted architects and engineers, who design new courthouses.

The web-based application supports multiple ways of retrieving, comparing, and ranking diverse types of media including

- three-dimensional interactive models,
- figure-ground diagrams,
- adjacency diagrams,
- 360 degree panoramic images, photos,
- drawings, numbers and text, and



Hammond United States Courthouse > 3D Diagrams

SEPS INTEGRATION



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Encoding languages of design





DESIGN AS A GEOMETRIC, MULTI-DIMENSIONAL LANGUAGE



Palladian villa grammar

Wright prairie house grammar

Shape Grammars (Stiny)

SHAPE GRAMMARS



EXAMPLES





The Everett McKinley Dirksen United States Courthouse in Chicago is one of the most significant buildings built by Mies van der Rohe in United States. Significantly the Dirksen Courthouse is the only courthouse that Mies ever designed; in this sense, it provides the sole window towards the architect's language, expression and vision of the relationship between architecture and law. The work here presents a three-dimensional generative description of Mies's courthouse design language in the form of a shape grammar and discusses its significance for the study of the courthouse building type at large.



A set of three photographs of the Dirksen Courthouse. Photographs by Hedrich-Blessing Photographers, Chicago History Museum: a) a perspectival view from West Adams Street, b) an exterior view of the south-east corner from West Jackson Boulevard, and c) an interior view of the public lobby.

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The complete set of 38 original sketches of the identified courtroom plate design variations by the office of Mies. Archived at the Museum of Modern Art New York.

The complete set of 38 two-dimensional diagrammatic representations of the identified courtroom plate design variations.



 $b \in \{2n, 3n, 4n\}; c \in \{8n, 9n, 10n, 12n, 14n, 18n\}; 2n \leq d \leq 60n; h = f, l \in \{2m, 3m\}; r = 2n; s \in \{2n, 4n, 5n, 6n, 8n, 9n, 10n, 12n, 14n\}$

Rule 29



k ∈ {6*n*,12*n*,18*n*,...,66*n*}; o ∈ {3*n*,4*n*}; r ∈ {2*n*,3*n*}; 7*m* ≤ w₁ ≤ 13*m*; w₂ = (w₁ - k)/2







 $b = 2n; 2n \le l \le 9n; v = 2n; w \in \{8n, 10n, 12n\}$



b ∈ {2*n*,3*n*,4*n*}; h = *f*, l ∈ {2*m*,3*m*}; p = *t*/2

A sample set of four three-dimensional shape rules and their parametric definitions.



A derivation of the schematic three-dimensional model of the Dirksen Courthouse.

Six sectional models of Miesian courthouse designs all satisfying the requirement of having 24 courtrooms and the appropriate volume of public, administrative and support space

PARAMETRIC ENCODINGS



THE CANONICAL ORGANIZATION





BUILDING TYPOLOGIES



PRECEDENT | BEIJING NATIONAL STADIUM





Project: Olympic Green in Chaoyang District Location: Beijing, China Architect: Jacques Herzog & Pierre de Meuron Year: September 2007



Site PLan

Inspired by the outward appearance of the bird's nest, the Beijing National Stadium was designed to incorporate Chinese art and culture. It consists of two independent structures that are situated 50 feet apart: a red concrete seating bowl and the outer steel frame. The stadium is considered the world's largest enclosed space with a gross volume of three million cubic meters and is also the world's largest steel structure with 26 kilometers of unwrapped steel. It extends 333 meters from north to south and 294 meters from east to west, with a height of 69.2 meters (226 feet, equivalent to 20 stories); each half of the stadium is nearly symmetrical. The complex geometry of the facade is based on a main structure of 24 pillars, with interwoven grid-like structures to produce a dramatic visual effect.

The innovative structure of the Beijing National Stadium was designed for the 2008 Summer Olympics with a capacity of 91,000 people. It staged the opening and closing ceremonies, athletic events, and football final. The stadium also hosted the 2008 Summer Paralympics and continues to host other sporting events as well as concerts. In 2022 the stadium will be used for the Summer and Winter Olympics and Paralympics. EFTA was inserted between the several beams of steel to enable the passage of light, one of the concepts of the Bird's Nest. Located in an earthquake zone, it was constructed to withstand the earth's movement structure to handle considerable seismic activity. The main criteria for the stadium included a stadium capacity of approximately 100,000 people, a multi-functional design, to efficiently incorporate a range of uses in the future, and an emphasis on green building and advanced technology.



North-South Section



East-West Section

SCRIPTING 1D | PLAN DIAGRAMS



Radius

SCRIPTING 2D | SURFACE DIAGRAMS







Steel Roof 330m x 220m 45,000 tons

EFTE Panels 40,000 square metres of Ethylene Tratrafluoroethylene

> Steel Frame Welded steel skeleton

Outer Surface 13 degree incline to the verticle



SYSTEM DIAGRAMS



VARIATION MATRIX 3D | MASSING



Surface



Structure



Floor Slabs





