MIT OpenCourseWare http://ocw.mit.edu

4.510 Digital Design Fabrication Fall 2008

For information about citing these materials or our Terms of Use, visit: http://ocw.mit.edu/terms.

Digitally Manufactured Housing

Larry Sass Dan Smithwick & Dennis Michaud MIT





Effective computing

Machining that is computer controlled

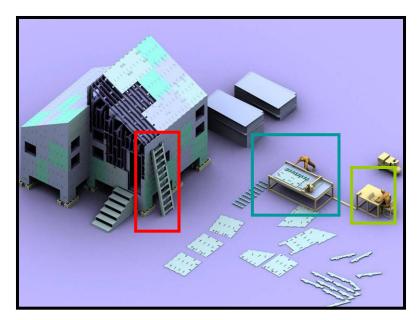
Assembly Only construction sites

Customized home delivery for culturally sensitive design

- New Orleans 109,000 House lost
- 7 years @ 75/day
- Mass Customize 75 designs
- Mass Produce

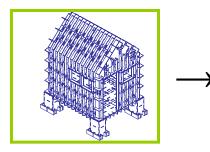
Digitally Fabricated

- Outdoor or Indoor Digital Factory
 - Any Shape
 - Machines Scale
 - Complexity is in the cutting
- Advantages
 - Design models used for cutting
 - Controlled manufacturing
 - Low Energy (Flat packed)
 - Controlled waste
 - Precise
- Impact
 - Broad approach to housing
 - Luxury or low cost housing
 - Process works with many materials





What is digital fabrication



Computer model "Precision measuring"



"Laser cutting" Precise Cutting in Studio



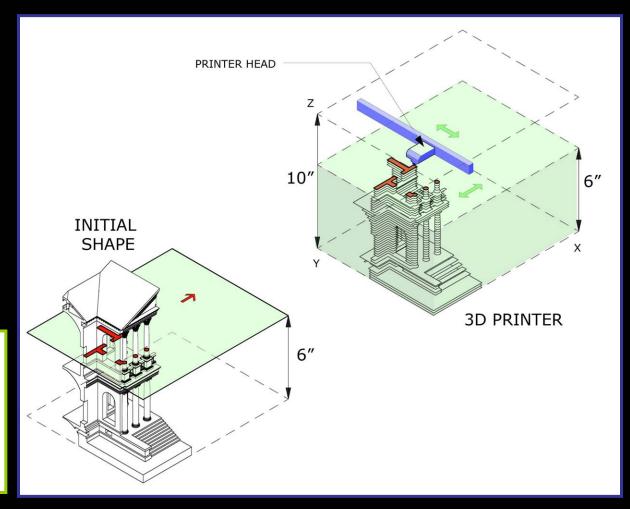
"Prototype" Error Detection & Correction

Scale Objects : 6



Inspiration Computing a model

- 1. Precise measuring
- 2. Manufacturing Layered
- 3. Automated Assembly





Production: Design

(Design Grammar) Step 1

Stiny, G., *Palladian Grammar,* Environment and Planning B, Vol. 1975

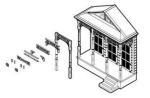
Duarte, J., *Siza Grammar,* Environment and Planning B, Vol. 2004







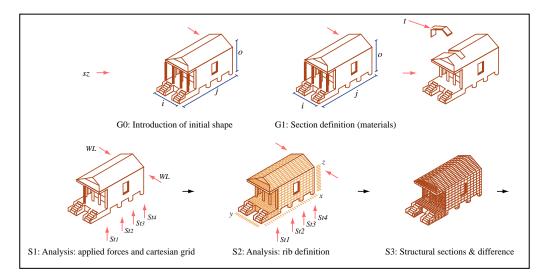




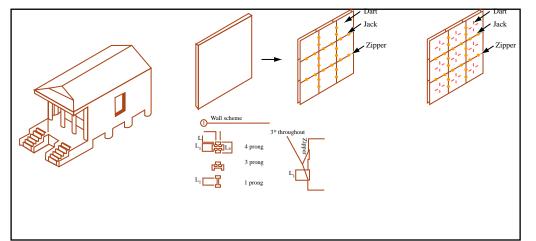


Production: Product Modeling

(Construction Grammars) Step 2



Figures by MIT OpenCourseWare.







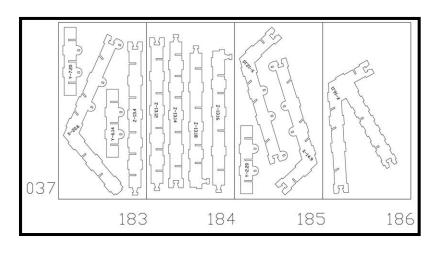


Production: Manufacturing

(Computing for manufacturing) *Step 3*









On-Site: Structure

(Assembly Only) *Step 4*









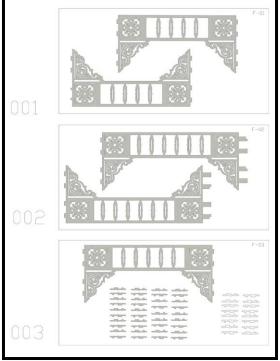


On-Site: Ornamentation (Multi-lateral Layering)

Step 5







Design and Machines













