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Shape optimization of compression structures

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Basic idea for design process of compression structures

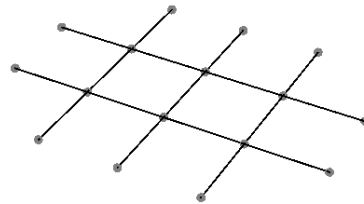
- tension – compression analogy
- kinematic constraints in force density method

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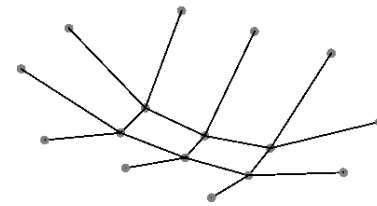
$$q_{i,j}^{(k)} = q_{i,j}^{(k-1)} \frac{\bar{S}_{i,j}}{S_{i,j}^{(k-1)}} = \frac{\bar{S}_{i,j}}{l_{i,j}^{(k-1)}}$$

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iteration



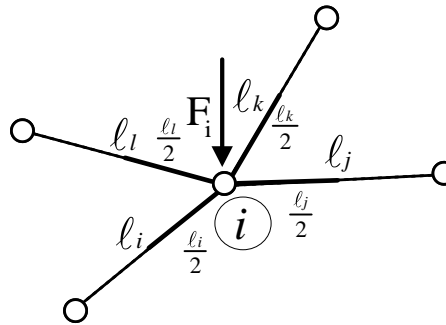
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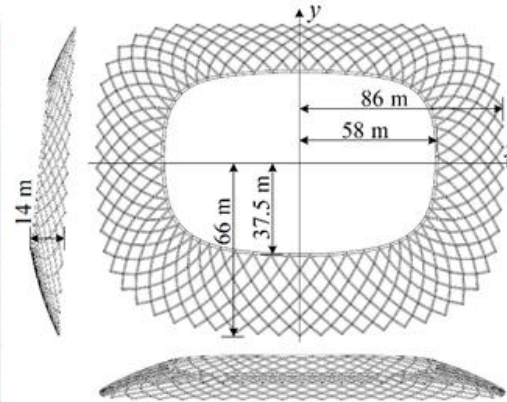
- vertical concentrated load in nodes

$$F_i = \frac{1}{2} (l_i + l_j + l_k + l_l)$$



Definition of case study

- initial geometry: roof design of new stadium Kantrida in Rijeka, Croatia

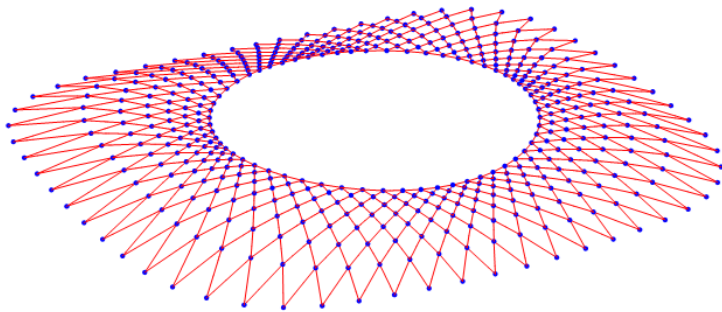


- model A: target force in inner ring was set to 2100kN and in all other elements 150kN
- model B: elements of the same length (6.40m) while elements of inner ring have axial force 2000kN

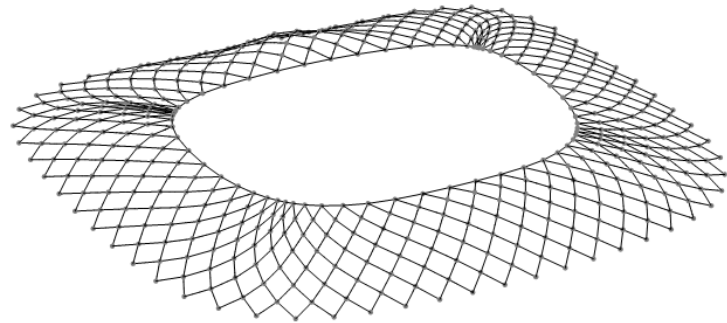


Results of form finding

model A

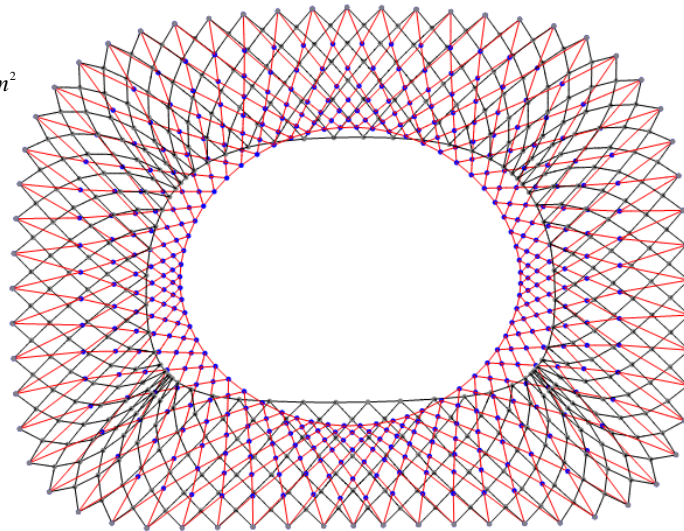
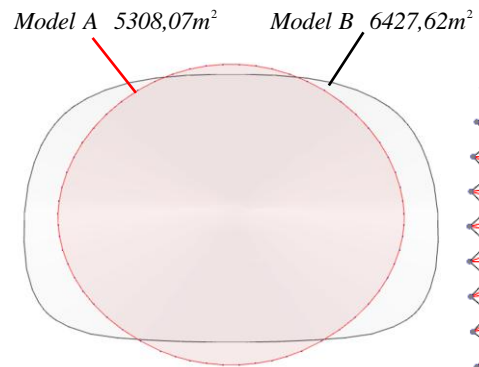


model B



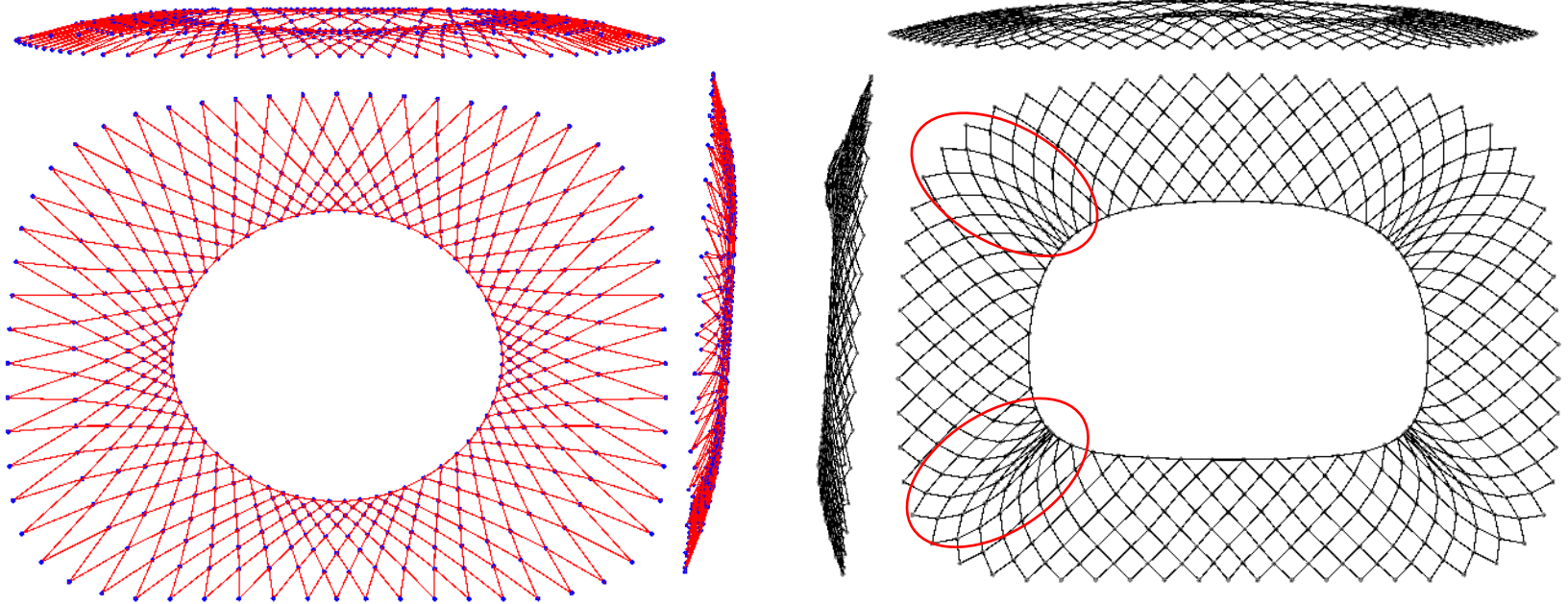
Results of form finding

- Fairly similar area closed with inner ring



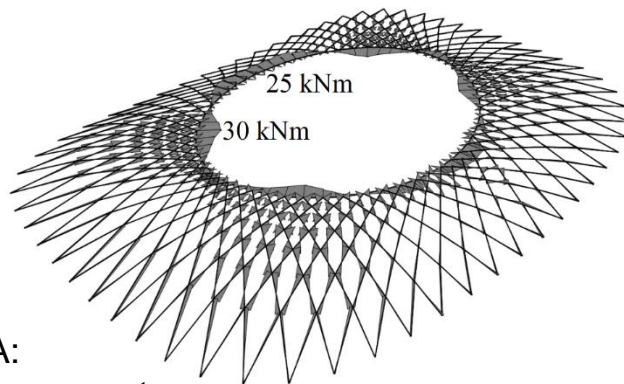
Results of form finding

- Both models are smaller in height by 2m comparing then with initial geometry
- Disposition of elements in model A is favorable from the point of construction (in model B accumulation of elements occur)

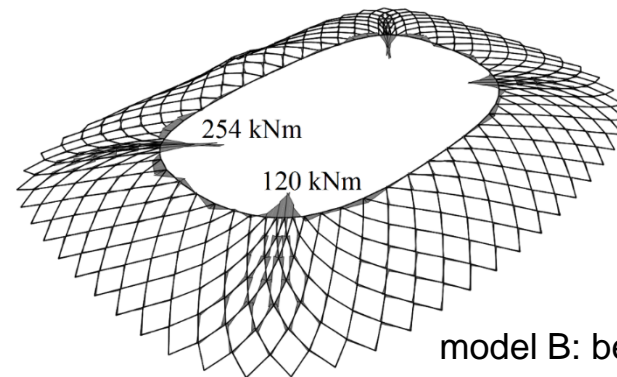


Structural analysis

- Comparisons between initial geometry (roof of new stadium Kantrida) and model A and B
- Observed parameters: displacement and distribution of internal forces
- Cross sections:
 - inner ring steel tube 813/25mm,
 - other elements tube 457/12,5mm.
- Rigid connections - bending moments in the structural analysis after optimization



model A:
bending moment

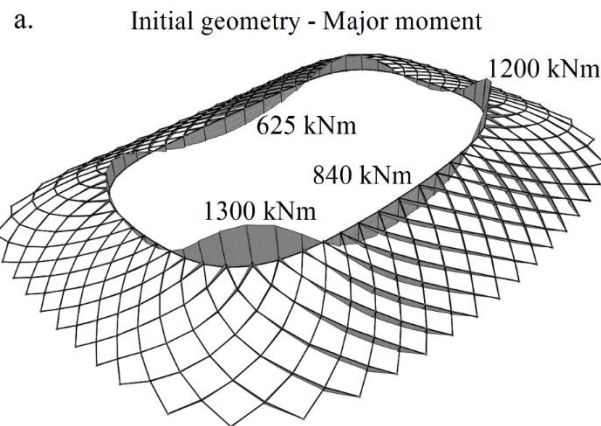


model B: bending
moment

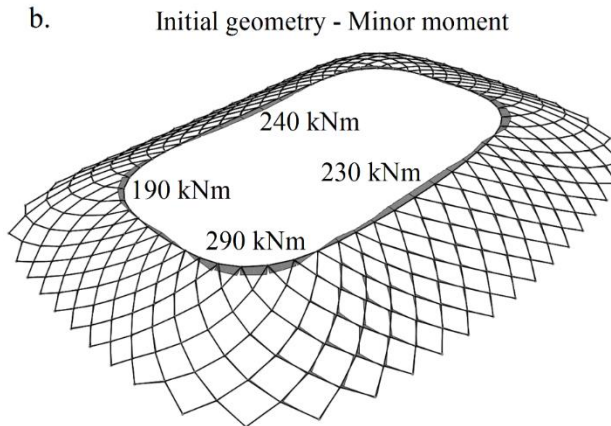


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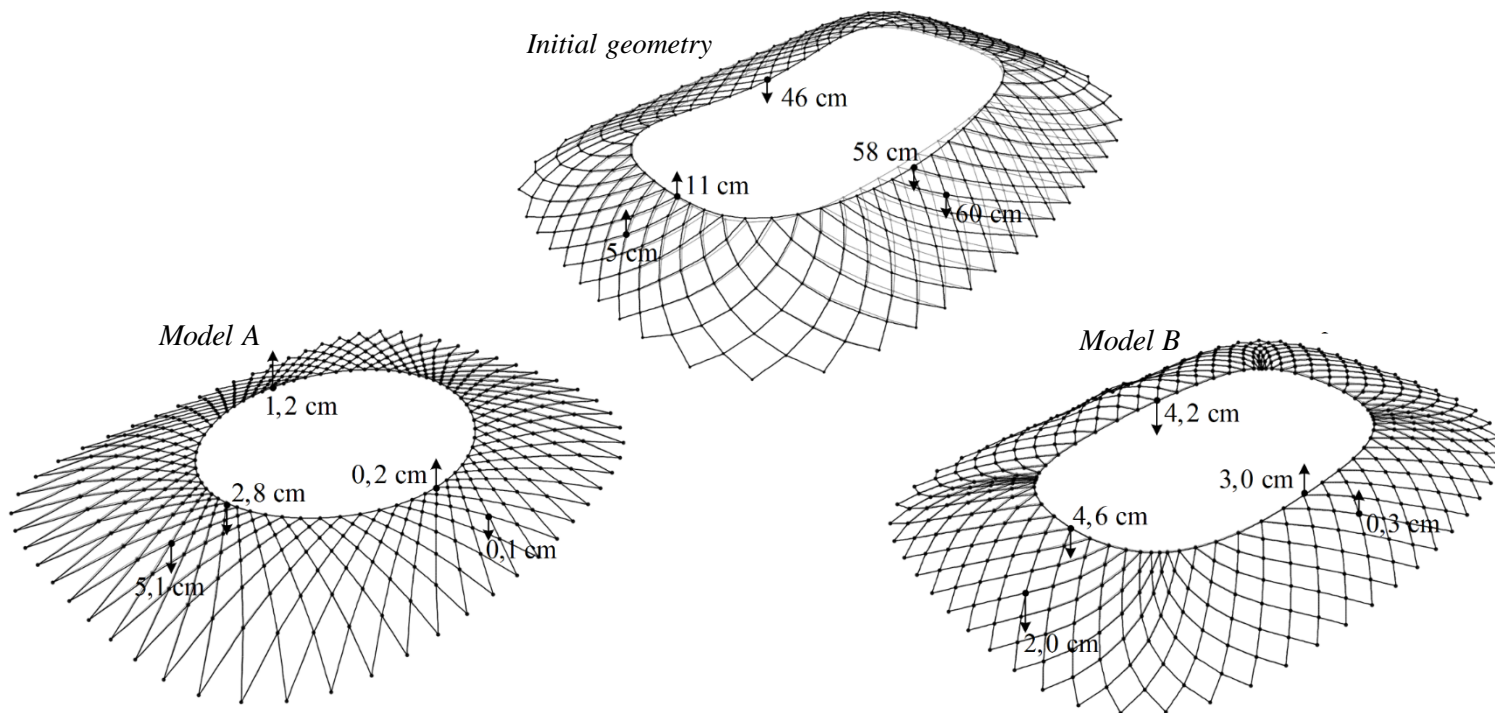
distribution of major moment in the elements of grid,
 $M_{major} \approx -150 \text{ kNm} \leftrightarrow M_{major} \approx 220 \text{ kNm}$



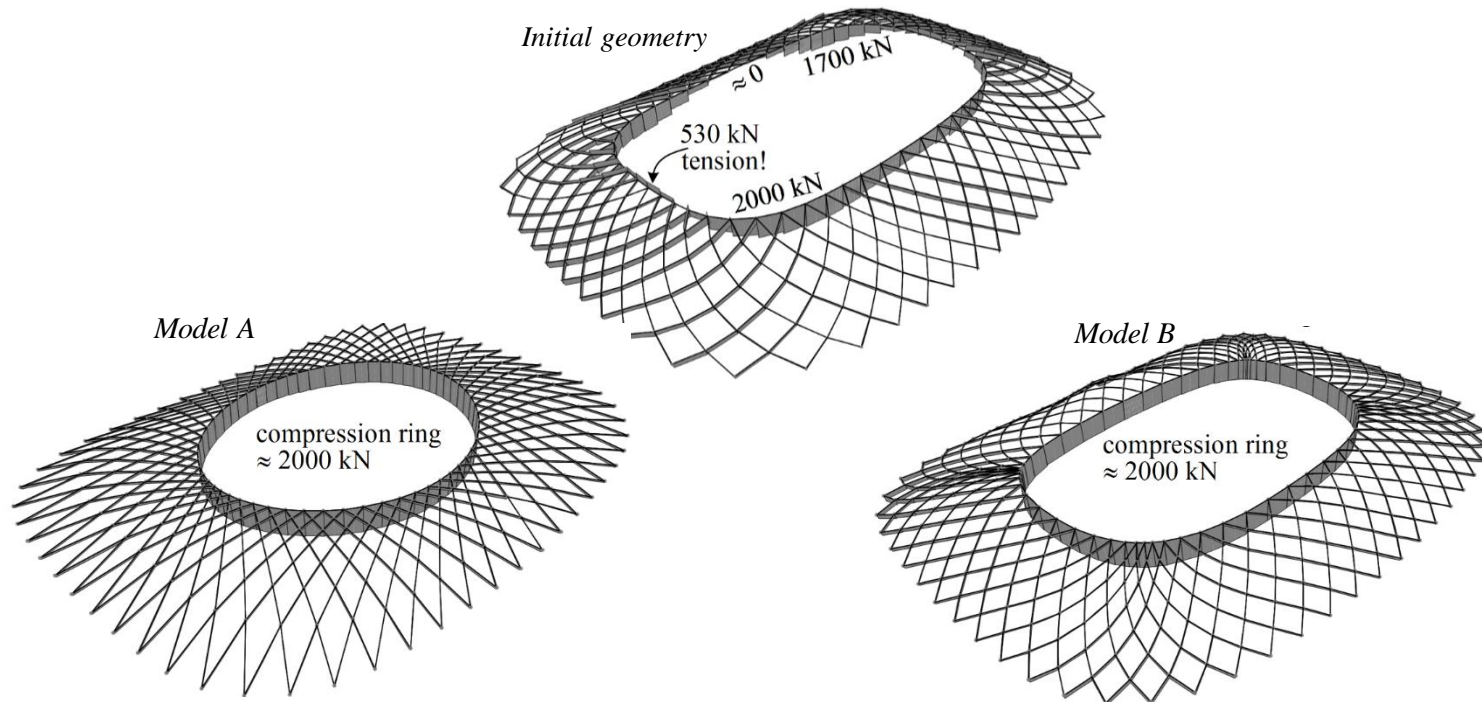
distribution of minor moment in the elements of grid,
 $M_{minor} \approx -98 \text{ kNm} \leftrightarrow M_{minor} \approx 98 \text{ kNm}$



Structural analysis: displacements



Structural analysis: axial force



In future

- Implementation to solver: calculation of vertical concentrated load from the value of area between points
- Optimisation from stability point of view

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