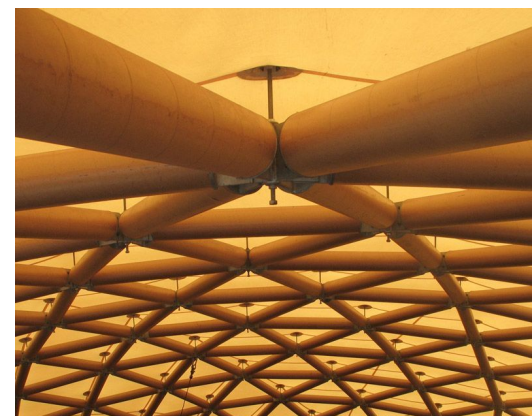
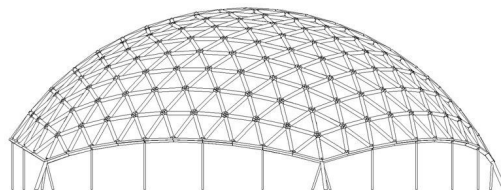
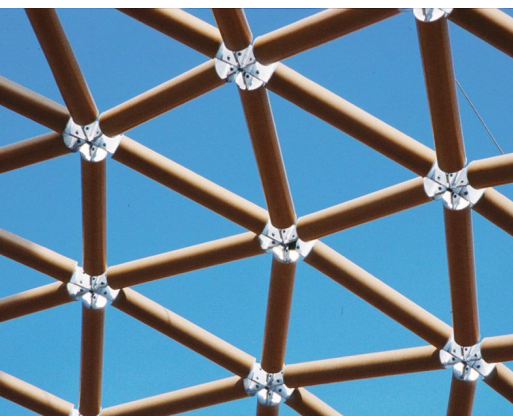


# PAPERDOME

Architect  
Client  
Location  
Year

SHIGERU BAN  
THEATERGROEP VAN STEEN  
NETHERLANDS, UTRECHT  
2004

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The Paperdome was the first cardboard project that Octatube executed in collaboration with architect Shigeru Ban. Choreographer Jeanette van Steen inspired him to design a temporary theater. This resulted in an innovative icosahedral dome with a diameter of 30 meters, constructed from cardboard tubes and steel joints. Thanks to its bolted connections without sealants or glue, the dome is fully dismantlable. In 2003, the Paperdome was produced within seven weeks and assembled for the first time in IJburg (Amsterdam).

After serving as a theater for six weeks, the dome was dismantled and put into storage. In 2004, it was rebuilt in Leidsche Rijn, Utrecht, as a temporary multifunctional space. It was not until the spring of 2012 that the dome was dismantled again. After more than a decade in storage, the Paperdome has now found a new purpose. Starting in February 2025, the iconic dome will serve as a sports venue for young people in Amsterdam Zuidooost.

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