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# PROBLEM / AIM

Aim of a Pavillion Structure with:

- Maximal span
- Minimal required formwork

Problem:

 Material self-weight is of high concern for larger span structures

Solution:

- Fibre composite materials
  - readily used in highly engineered applications
  - Still barely investigated for architectural applications
- Investigation of natural construction processes of long span fibre composite structures

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Radial tetravalent plane net and node details

- extrem light-weight / large-span stucture
- ,Sesmless' joined material for maximal strenght

>> Pérez García, Agustín; Gómez Martínez, Fernando; Natural structures: strategies for geometric and morphological optimization; IASS<sup>2</sup>Symposium 2009, Valencia

# BIOMIMETIC INVESTIGATION

- Analyzing of functional principles and construction logics of natural lightweight structures
- Two species of leaf miner moths (Lyonetia clerkella and Leucoptera erythrinella)
- Larvae spin silk "hammocks" stretching between connection points on a bent leaf (images right)
- Basically tension forces

>> Cooperation with the Institute of Evolution and Ecology and the department for Paleobiology of the University of Tübingen

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Interface and communication of multiple robotic systems (robotic arms and a drone) helped tp create a seamless fibre laying process

Integrative computational design and construction created by the in incorporation of

- biological principles
- structural capacities
- material behavior
- fabrication logics
- architectural design constraints

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## PROJECT INFORMATION

- ► Completion: March 2017
- Material: resin-impregnated glass and carbon fibre
- Area: 26.5 m<sup>2</sup> ~ 258 ft<sup>2</sup>
- ► Volume: 58 m<sup>3</sup> ~ 2000 ft<sup>3</sup>
- ► Fibre length: 184 km ~ 114 miles
- ► Weight: 1000 Kg ~ 2200 lb
- Overall dimensions: 12.0m x 2.6m x 3.1m
  ~ 40ft x 8.5ft x 10ft



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# ANNUAL PAVILLIONS

### 2015-16

Studies on sea urchins and **sanddolar** led to the transfer of constructional principles and the development of new construction methods for timber plate shells





### 2014-15

The **waterspider** constructs a reinforced air bubble to survive. This is a stable construct that can withstand mechanical stresses, such as changing water currents, to provide a safe and stable habitat for the spider

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Section of an irregular sand dollar that showcases the structural morphology from which many biological principles were deducted





ider (Agyronéda aquatica) Jbble from the inside

# ANNUAL PAVILLIONS

### 2013-14

Elytron, a protective **shell for beetles**' wings and abdomen, has proved to be a suitable role model for highly material efficient construction.

### 2012

#### The exoskeleton of the lobster

(Homarus americanus) was analysed in greater detail for its local material differentiation, which finally served as the biological role model of the project.

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Trigonopterus nasutus | Ground Beetle







Cetonia aurata | Flying Beetle

### ICD/ITKE Research-Pavillon 2016-17

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