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1: What does steel frame mean?

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From its experimental manifestations in the nineteenth century to its proliferation through the present day, the skeleton-frame structure was significant not only for its technical achievements and widespread dissemination but also as a catalyst for new conceptions of architectural form. One of the most influential ideas derived from the frame structure is the modern curtain wall. Traditionally responsible for a wide range of aesthetic and technical tasks, the outer walls of a building were directly implicated by innovative structural methods. Whereas they formerly provided enclosure and structural support, the new frame presented an architectural dilemma. Freed of its load-bearing responsibilities, the exterior became a blank canvas. What should be the character of the new wall? What type of skin should enclose the skeleton structure? Although architects and engineers did not arrive at an immediate solution, the curtain wall eventually emerged as a widely accepted response. After more than a century of development, the frame structure and its corollary, the curtain wall, continue to dominate construction today. In fact, he equates the relationship between his contemporaries and the city of Chicago to that of the High Renaissance architects and Florence, Italy. The rebuilding effort in the years following the Great Chicago Fire of 1887, which devastated the central business district, was remarkable. This intense effort was driven in part by a population explosion: As density and land values increased, the economic Part I: Financial demand converged with the commercial availability of elevators and advancements in structural framing, leading to the emergence of the skyscraper, which in turn had remarkable consequences for the building enclosure. These columns were clad in non-load-bearing brick piers, kept consistently narrow to maximize the floor-to-ceiling windows. Also designed by Jenney was the ten-story Home Insurance Company Building, considered by many to be the first modern skyscraper,⁶ as well as the Ludington Building, one of the first all-steel structures. Sullivan was responsible for the design of the more elaborate facade of the northernmost building, which in its articulation suggests a multistory curtain hanging from the cornice. Among the many remarkable aspects of these two very different buildings is the fact that they were both designed by the office of Daniel H. Burnham and built within five years of one another. Considered together, the Monadnock Block and the Reliance Building illustrate an important shift in the concept of structure and skin. Burnham always worked with a junior partner, and the common perception was that Burnham handled the business side of the firm while his partner directed the design process, with Burnham acting as consultant and critic. Root began work on the Reliance Building, but following his untimely death in 1892, the firm was renamed D. Atwood, took responsibility for the final design. At a time when all-steel frame construction was considered the future of the tall building, the Monadnock Block was built using the traditional arrangement of solid load-bearing masonry walls at its exterior, with interior floor loads carried on cast-iron columns and wrought-iron beams. The taller the structure, the thicker the wall required to carry its compressive loads to the ground, which in turn requires a heavier foundation to support the weight of the building. The brick wall of the sixteen-story Monadnock Block is 72 inches thick. The width of this massive wall, which reveals itself at its recessed windows, has an undeniably powerful presence that Part I: Burnham and Company, 1. Although the Monadnock Block was designed to accommodate 8 stories. The glass is set nearly flush within surrounding thin bands of glazed white terra-cotta cladding delicately articulated with Gothic-inspired ornamentation. Hale, was determined to have a thoroughly modern building, calling for abundant natural light, the latest elevator technology, full electric service, and a telephone in each office. With their delicate white framing, the glass walls, alternately transparent or reflective depending on the time of day and perspective, would have stood in stark contrast to the neighboring dark brick buildings. The speed of construction must have been startling as well. Working with the engineer Edward C. Shankland, Atwood designed a riveted steel-frame structure, the top ten stories of which were erected in just two weeks, a pace unthinkable with traditional masonry structures. In plan, the steel columns are effectively masked from the exterior, incorporated into corners and projecting bay windows. The wall is simultaneously informed and inflected by the structural frame, yet is free of it. Both

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the Monadnock Block and the Reliance Building were designated Chicago Landmarks in the s, and both are still in use today. The Monadnock Block continues to function as an office building, while the Reliance Building, following an extensive restoration in , has been converted to a hotel. In a nod to its designers, the building

Part I: The frame structure had reached an important turning point in Chicago in the late nineteenth century, when the availability of steel a stronger alternative to iron , among other factors, opened up new possibilities at an unparalleled scale. While the concept of the frame structure was certainly advanced during this period, it was not invented then. An exhaustive history of the evolution of frame structures is beyond the scope of this work, but it is worth a brief digression to note some important precedents to the Chicago frame. The materials of the railway, cast and wrought iron, gradually became integrated into the general building vocabulary, where they constituted the only available fireproof elements for the multi-story warehouse space required by industrial production. Notable early uses of iron framing include two groundbreaking English mill buildings: Each employed cast-iron columns carrying segmental brick arches. Louis, Missouri, partial section and partial floor plan; architect unknown, 1. He vigorously marketed the cast-iron facade as an efficient and adaptable system that was quick to erect, relatively inexpensive, and resistant to fire. Gaynor to resemble a Venetian palazzo, and it illustrates the tendency, which was common at the time, to retain intricate historicist ornament even while deploying a new method of construction. Another striking cast-iron building, which Sigfried Giedion called one of the finest of this period and a forerunner of the Chicago skyscrapers,¹⁸ was the Thomas Gantt Building in St. Louis, Missouri dismantled in the s. At the turn of the twentieth century, architects continued to explore the frame structure and its dual implications for interior space and exterior expression. In , Frank Lloyd Wright designed the provocative Luxfer Prism Skyscraper, an unbuilt plan for a ten-story steel-framed building with a gridded facade of slightly projecting floor-to-ceiling glass panels. Architects eventually began to question the standard coplanar positioning of structure and skin. With this erosion of the bearing wall, the frame made it possible to open up the facade, allowing for the placement of larger and larger windows between structural members, with the obvious benefits of increased daylight, views, and opportunities for ventilation. The window remained a discrete unit, however big it became, serving as a transparent counterpoint to the opaque grid of structure that framed it. In the first two decades of the twentieth century, architects began experimenting with the possibility of separating the glass membrane of the window from the structural frame, transposing the glass from individual window to continuous wall. The wall, with its organizing grid of slender steel mullions, is divided into clear glass panels and metal spandrels, the latter corresponding to the location of floor slabs. At the corner, the structural column is eliminated altogether, allowing the glass planes to meet at a single corner mullion that is no larger than typical. In the Fagus building, we find many of the elements that would eventually constitute the vernacular language of the curtain wall: Apparently designed for purely utilitarian purposesâ€”admitting ample daylight to the factory while mitigating the inherent thermal issues of single-pane glassâ€” it stands as one of the earliest continuous glass curtain walls and a remarkable precursor to the modern double-skin facades that would proliferate nearly a century later. In the United States, two early-twentieth-century commercial buildings were particularly innovative in applying the curtain wall concept at an unprecedented scale. In these buildings, the structural frame is set back entirely behind the plane of a glass-and-metal facade, which is suspended from the structure in a continuous surface. Each of these buildings has at various times been identified as the first large-scale installation of the pure curtain wall concept. Each was built in the center of its respective city, and, like the Monadnock Block and Reliance Building, they mark an important shift in the development of the modern building envelope. The curtain wall, primarily large sheets of plate glass set within steel mullions, includes painted steel-plate spandrels and is framed by a cornice and corner bays clad in white-enameled terra-cotta similar to the cladding of the Reliance Building. Curtiss, who practiced in Kansas City from the early s until his death in , was an eccentric character who regularly communicated with the spirit world and was a fervent believer in the Ouija board. Though not particularly well received or understood at the time, the Boley Building was, in its structure and cladding, a clear precursor to the modern architecture of later decades. The glass is fixed within a grid of narrow steel mullions, with the occasional pivoting sash for ventilation. The structural system is a reinforced-concrete frame. At the edge of each floor slab, an upturned perimeter beam

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supports a thin cantilevered slab, which in turn supports the curtain wall and acts as a firebreak between floors. We must neither depreciate nor imitate, but we should understand and originate. Before moving to San Francisco, Polk worked for a time in Kansas City, where he and Curtiss were both members of the Kansas City Architectural Sketch Club in the late s and thus may have known each other personally. And Polk was also associated with the firm of D. Burnham and Company for nearly a decade, which included a stint working in the Chicago office from to , 32 where he surely would have become familiar with the Reliance Building, the Studebaker Building, and other works of the Chicago School. Along with the Boley Building, it was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in ; both are still in use today, dwarfed by surrounding skyscrapers that are built on the principles they pioneered. Designed by Gropius and Meyer, the Bauhaus complex is sited in Dessau, Germany, and includes a five-story student dormitory wing, a threestory classroom wing, and a three-story workshop block. The facade of each wing gives an indication of the function within: Perhaps the most striking element of all is the curtain wall itself, which is technically similar to that of the Hallidie Building but utterly free of any historicist ornament. Though rebuilt to some degree, it remained in various states of disrepair until it was restored to the original design in . The early, incremental development of the curtain wall was infused with a spirit of experimentation and informed by a diverse set of ideas about new construction methodologies, new materials, efficiency, mass production, and, as we will see in the next chapter, the expressive possibilities of glass. MIT Press, , " Condit, The Chicago School of Architecture: University of Chicago Press, , A Critical History London: Harvard University Press, , Visionary Architect and Planner, ed. Rizzoli, , See Giedion, Space, Time and Architecture, Pomegranate, , 6. Interestingly, when this essay was reprinted in The Mathematics of the Ideal Villa and Other Essays, Rowe inserted a qualifier that was not present in the original version: Phaidon Press, , First published in MIT Press, , 26"9. The original color scheme of the building was blue and gold, the colors of the University of California. As quoted in Richard W. Longstreth, On the Edge of the World: Architectural History Foundation and Cambridge, Mass.: MIT Press, ,

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A comprehensive guide to the physical construction of buildings from the s to the present, this study covers the history of concrete-, steel-, and skeleton-frame buildings, provides case histories that apply the information to a wide range of actual projects, and supplies technical data essential to professionals who.

Both the cross-sectional resistance and the buckling resistance of the members must be verified. In-plane buckling of members using expression 6. SCI P identifies the likely critical zones for member verification. SCI P contains numerical examples of member verifications. If the shear or axial force is high, the bending resistance is reduced so combined shear force and bending and axial force and bending resistances need to be verified. In typical portal frames neither the shear force nor the axial load is sufficiently high to reduce the bending resistance. When the portal frame forms the chord of the bracing system, the axial load in the rafter may be significant, and this combination of actions should be verified. Although all cross-sections need to be verified, the likely key points are at the positions of maximum bending moment: In the column at the underside of the haunch In the rafter at the sharp end of the haunch In the rafter at the maximum sagging location adjacent to the apex. The following points should be noted: Purlins provide intermediate lateral restraint to one flange. Depending on the bending moment diagram this may be either the tension or compression flange Restraints to the inside flange can be provided at purlin positions, producing a torsional restraint at that location. In-plane, no member buckling checks are required, as the global analysis has accounted for all significant in-plane effects. The analysis has accounted for any significant second-order effects, and frame imperfections are usually accounted for by including the equivalent horizontal force in the analysis. The effects of in-plane member imperfections are small enough to be ignored. Because there are no minor axis moments in a portal frame rafter, Expression 6. Compression is introduced in the rafters due to actions applied to the frame. The rafters are not subject to any minor axis moments. Optimum design of portal frame rafters is generally achieved by use of: A cross section with a high ratio of I_{yy} to I_{zz} that complies with the requirements of Class 1 or 2 under combined major axis bending and axial compression. This will generally mean that the maximum hogging and sagging moments in the plain rafter length are of similar magnitude. Direct lateral restraint, when the outer flange is in compression Intermediate lateral restraint to the tension flange between torsional restraints, when the outer flange is in tension Torsional and lateral restraint to the rafter when the purlin is attached to the tension flange and used in conjunction with rafter stays to the compression flange. Initially, the out-of-plane checks are completed to ensure that the restraints are located at appropriate positions and spacing. Purlins are generally placed at up to 1. In Zone A, the bottom flange of the haunch is in compression. The stability checks are complicated by the variation in geometry along the haunch. The bottom flange is partially or wholly in compression over the length of Zone B. In Zone C, the purlins provide lateral restraint to the top compression flange. The selection of the appropriate check depends on the presence of a plastic hinge, the shape of the bending moment diagram and the geometry of the section three flanges or two flanges. The objective of the checks is to provide sufficient restraints to ensure the rafter is stable out-of-plane. Guidance on details of the out-of plane stability verification can be found in SCI P The moments and axial forces are smaller than those in the gravity load combination. As the haunch is stable in the gravity combination of actions, it will certainly be so in the uplift condition, being restrained at least as well, and under reduced loads In Zone F, the purlins will not restrain the bottom flange, which is in compression. The rafter must be verified between torsional restraints. A torsional restraint will generally be provided adjacent to the apex. The rafter may be stable between this point and the virtual restraint at the point of contraflexure, as the moments are generally modest in the uplift combination. If the rafter is not stable over this length, additional torsional restraints should be introduced, and each length of the rafter verified. By contrast, the column is subject to a similar bending moment at the underside of the haunch, but without any additional strengthening. The optimum design for most columns is usually achieved by the use of: The column size will generally be determined at the preliminary design stage on the basis of the required bending and compression resistances. Whether the frame is designed plastically or elastically , a torsional restraint should

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always be provided at the underside of the haunch. This may be from a side rail positioned at that level, or by some other means. Additional torsional restraints may be required between the underside of the haunch and the column base because the side rails are attached to the outer tension flange; unless restraints are provided the inner compression flange is unrestrained. A side rail that is not continuous for example, interrupted by industrial doors cannot be relied upon to provide adequate restraint. The column section may need to be increased if intermediate restraints to the compression flange cannot be provided. The presence of a plastic hinge will depend on loading, geometry and choice of column and rafter sections. In a similar way to the rafter, out-of-plane stability must be verified. It may be possible to demonstrate that a torsional restraint is not required at the side rail immediately adjacent to the hinge, but may be provided at some greater distance. In this case there will be intermediate lateral restraints between the torsional restraints. If the stability between torsional restraints cannot be verified, it may be necessary to introduce additional torsional restraints. If it is not possible to provide additional intermediate restraints, the size of the member must be increased. In all cases, a lateral restraint must be provided within L_m of a plastic hinge. When the frame is subject to uplift, the column moment will reverse. The bending moments will generally be significantly smaller than those under gravity loading combinations, and the column is likely to remain elastic [top]

In plane stability No in-plane checks of columns are required, as all significant in-plane effects have been accounted for in the global analysis. Bracing is required to resist longitudinal actions due to wind and cranes, and to provide restraint to members. It is common to use hollow sections as bracing members. Bracing arrangement in a typical portal frame

Common bracing systems The primary functions of vertical bracing in the side walls of the frame are:

- To transmit the horizontal loads to the ground. The horizontal forces include forces from wind and cranes
- To provide a rigid framework to which side rails and cladding may be attached so that the rails can in turn provide stability to the columns
- To provide temporary stability during erection. The bracing may be located:
 - At one or both ends of the building
 - Within the length of the building
 - In each portion between expansion joints where these occur.

Where the side wall bracing is not in the same bay as the plan bracing in the roof, an eaves strut is essential to transmit the forces from the roof bracing into the wall bracing. An eaves strut is also required:

- To ensure the tops of the columns are adequately restrained in position
- To assist in during the construction of the structure
- To stabilise the tops of the columns if a fire boundary condition exists [top]

Portalised bays

Longitudinal stability using portalised bays Where it is difficult or impossible to brace the frame vertically by conventional bracing, it is necessary to introduce moment-resisting frames in the elevations in one or more bays. A horizontal truss at the level of the crane girder top flange or, for lighter cranes, a horizontal member on the inside face of the column flange tied into the vertical bracing may be adequate to provide the necessary restraint. For large horizontal forces, additional bracing should be provided in the plane of the crane girder.

The primary functions of the plan bracing are:

- To transmit wind forces from the gable posts to the vertical bracing in the walls
- To transmit any frictional drag forces from wind on the roof to the vertical bracing
- To provide stability during erection
- To provide a stiff anchorage for the purlins which are used to restrain the rafters.

In order to transmit the wind forces efficiently, the plan bracing should connect to the top of the gable posts. Pressed steel flat ties are commonly used. Where restraint is only possible from one side, the restraint must be able to carry compression. The stay and its connections should be designed to resist a force equal to 2. The eaves connection in particular must generally carry a very large bending moment. Both the eaves and apex connections are likely to experience reversal in certain combinations of actions and this can be an important design case. For economy, connections should be arranged to minimise any requirement for additional reinforcement commonly called stiffeners. This is generally achieved by:

- Making the haunch deeper
- increasing the lever arms
- Extending the eaves connection above the top flange of the rafter
- an additional bolt row
- Adding bolt rows

The design of moment resisting connections is covered in detail in SCI P Typical portal frame connections.

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Steel frame is a building technique with a "skeleton frame" of vertical steel columns and horizontal I-beams, constructed in a rectangular grid to support the floors, roof and walls of a building which are all attached to the frame.

There are two types of horizontal bracing system that are used in multi-storey braced frames: Diaphragms Discrete triangulated bracing. Usually, the floor system will be sufficient to act as a diaphragm without the need for additional steel bracing. At roof level, bracing, often known as a wind girder, may be required to carry the horizontal forces at the top of the columns, if there is no diaphragm. See figure on the right. Floor systems involving precast concrete planks require proper consideration to ensure adequate transfer of forces if they are to act as a diaphragm. This will allow the slabs to move relative to each other, and to slide over the steelwork. Grouting between the slabs will only partially overcome this problem, and for large shears, a more positive tying system will be required between the slabs and from the slabs to the steelwork. Connection between slabs may be achieved by reinforcement in the topping. This may be mesh, or ties may be placed along both ends of a set of planks to ensure the whole floor acts as a single diaphragm. Connection to the steelwork may be achieved by one of two methods: Enclose the slabs by a steel frame on shelf angles, or specially provided constraint and fill the gap with concrete. Provide the steel beam with some form of shear connectors to transfer forces between the in-situ edge strip and the steelwork. If plan diaphragm forces are transferred to the steelwork via direct bearing typically the slab may bear on the face of a column, the capacity of the connection should be checked. The capacity is generally limited by local crushing of the plank. In every case, the gap between the plank and the steel should be made good with in-situ concrete. A horizontal bracing system may need to be provided in each orthogonal direction. This arrangement often leads to a truss spanning the full width of the building, with a depth equal to the bay centres, as shown in the figure on the left. The floor bracing is frequently arranged as a Warren truss, or as a Pratt truss, or with crossed members acting only in tension. The following imperfections should be taken into account: Global imperfections for frames and bracing systems Local imperfections for individual members. Global imperfections may be taken into account by modelling the frame out of plumb, or by a series of equivalent horizontal forces applied to a frame modelled vertically. The latter approach is recommended. In a braced frame with nominally pinned connections, no allowance is needed in the global analysis for local imperfections in members because they do not influence the global behaviour and are taken into account in when verifying member resistances in accordance with the design Standard. Should moment-resisting connections be assumed in the frame design, local imperfections may need to be allowed for BS EN [1], 5. This allowance is greater than the normally specified tolerances because it allows both for actual values exceeding specified limits and for residual effects such as lack of fit. The design allowance in BS EN [1], 5. For a detailed definition, see 5. This presumes that every row has bracing. It is much easier to use equivalent horizontal forces than to introduce the geometric imperfection into the model. The imperfection must be tried in each direction to find the greater effect and it is easier to apply loads than modify geometry Modifying the geometry of the structure can be difficult if the column bases are at different levels, as the sway imperfection varies between columns. When designing the frame, and specifically the forces on the bracing system, it is much easier to consider the net equivalent force at each floor level. In addition, the bracing must be checked for two further design situations which are local to the floor level: Horizontal forces from floor diaphragms Forces due to imperfections at splices. In both these design situations, the bracing system is checked locally considering the storeys above and below for the combination of the force due to external loads together with the forces due to either of the above imperfections. The equivalent horizontal forces modelled to account for frame sway are not included in either of these combinations. Only one imperfection needs to be considered at a time. The horizontal forces to be considered are the accumulation of all the forces at the level being considered, divided amongst the bracing systems. It is normal practice in the UK to check these forces without co-existent beam shears. The justification is that the probability of maximum beam shear plus maximum imperfections together with minimum connection resistance is beyond the design probability of the design code. For convenience, the

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effects of the initial bow imperfections of the members to be restrained by a bracing system may be replaced by the equivalent stabilizing force as shown in the figure right. The use of equivalent stabilizing forces is recommended. The criterion should be applied separately for each storey, for each combination of actions considered. Typically, this will include vertical and horizontal loads and EHF, as shown in the diagram. In braced frames, lateral stability is provided only by the bracing; the nominally pinned joints make no contribution to the stability of the frame. Horizontal forces applied to the bracing system [top] Allowance for second order effects Where second order effects are significant and need to be included, the most common method used is by amplification of an elastic first order analysis using the initial geometry of the structure. In a braced frame, where the beam to column connections are nominally pinned and thus do not contribute to lateral stiffness, the only effects to be amplified are the axial forces in the bracing members and the forces in columns that are due to their function as part of the bracing system The amplification factor is given in BS EN [1] , 5. Only the effects due to the horizontal forces including the equivalent horizontal forces need to be amplified. Use of any software will give results that are to some extent approximate, depending on the solution method employed, the types of second-order effects considered and the modelling assumptions. Generally, second-order software will automatically allow for frame imperfections, so the designer will not need to calculate and apply the equivalent horizontal forces. The effects of deformed geometry second-order effects will be allowed for in the analysis. Choose appropriate section sizes for the beams. Choose appropriate section sizes for the columns which may be designed initially for axial force alone, leaving some provision for nominal bending moments, to be determined at a later stage. Calculate the equivalent horizontal forces EHF , floor by floor, and the wind loads. Calculate the total shear at the base of the bracing, by adding the total wind load to the total EHF, and sharing this appropriately amongst the bracing systems. Size the bracing members. The lowest bracing member with the greatest design force can be sized, based on the shear determined in Step 4. A smaller section size may be used higher up the structure where the bracing is subject to lesser forces or the same size may be used for all members. Determine an amplifier, if required i . If the frame is sensitive to second order effects, all the lateral forces must be amplified. If this is the case, the bracing members may need to be re-checked for increased forces step 5. Verify that the floor diaphragms are effective in distributing all forces to the bracing systems. At splice levels, determine the total force to be resisted by the bracing locally which will usually be the summation from several columns. Verify that the bracing local to the splice can carry these forces in addition to the forces due to external loads EHF are not included when making this check. Verify that the bracing local to each floor can carry the restraint forces from that floor, in addition to the forces due to external loads EHF are not included when making this check. If designing manually, the design data in SCI P , may be used to choose appropriate section sizes. Design of steel structures.

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The alternative, post-and-beam construction, is not feasible due to the brittleness of cast iron. The term "brittle" is equivalent to "lacking in tensile strength"; see Tension and Compression. During the "steel and electricity phase" of the industrial age, which could also be called the age of steel-frame architecture, steel and reinforced concrete became the predominant structural materials of large-scale architecture. The production of furniture, for instance, no longer required a skilled woodworker; it could simply be churned out of a machine. Would machine production result in a world filled with products devoid of beauty? Two major positions emerged in response to this question. One position, known as the Arts and Crafts Movement, urged for a return to traditional, hand-made applied arts. This movement, which emerged in late nineteenth-century England, spread across Europe and the United States. The most famous figure associated with the movement is William Morris, a many-faceted artist remembered especially for his wallpaper designs. The other position argued that mass-produced goods, skilfully designed, could indeed be beautiful works of art. Machine production results in products with simple geometric forms and plain, unornamented surfaces; instead of rejecting these properties as cold and lifeless, some artists argued that they should be embraced. This approach fuelled the gradual rise of the modern aesthetic. Main Article Early Modern Architecture ca. Iron-frame buildings were erected mainly during the "age of iron and steam" ca. As noted earlier, this architecture included iron-frame masonry buildings, iron-and-glass buildings, and iron bridges. Utilitarian structures and utilitarian products in general were important for demonstrating the aesthetic potential of plain, mass-produced objects. For instance, whereas iron supports in grand architecture were often hidden behind masonry such that the buildings retained a traditional appearance, they were left exposed in structures where appearance was deemed unimportant. Utilitarian buildings also often lacked traditional ornamentation, again due to lack of concern for appearance. As the nineteenth century drew on, many architects began to embrace these features plain industrial materials and lack of ornamentation as aesthetically desirable. F89,H Two works of iron-frame architecture are especially famous. Some decades later, the foremost iron-frame structure of all time was constructed: The next step in the development of modern architecture was the shift from iron-frame to steel-frame construction. Steel-frame architecture emerged in Chicago, among a circle of architects known as the Chicago school, which flourished ca. G,4 At this point in history, architects faced mounting pressure to extend buildings upward, as cities grew and property values soared. A good definition of "skyscraper", for discussion of architectural history, is "a metal-frame building at least one hundred feet tall". The Home Insurance Building; demolished, by William Le Baron Jenney a member of the Chicago school, is usually considered the very first skyscraper. While this building featured a metal frame composed of both iron and steel, pure steel-frame construction emerged in works of the Chicago school within a decade. It should be emphasized that in metal-frame architecture, the entire weight of the building is supported by the frame. The skyscraper was the great technical achievement of the Chicago school. The school is also responsible for a great aesthetic achievement: H Whereas buildings of ordinary height lend themselves well to traditional styles, skyscrapers were an entirely new building type, for which traditional aesthetics proved unsatisfactory; consequently, skyscrapers accelerated the development of the modern aesthetic. This transition away from traditional ornamentation culminated in the development of functionalism by Louis Sullivan, the foremost architect of the Chicago school. Functionalism is a design approach in which a building is simply designed according to its function, then graced with features that are naturally suggested by its internal structure. The exterior of this building reflects its three-part internal plan a two-story base, a middle section with seven floors of offices, and a service floor at the top, with a brick pier indicating each column in the steel frame. Alternatives to the Modern Aesthetic During the late nineteenth century, architects and other designers across Europe and the United States fostered the modern aesthetic, with the most striking advances being achieved by the Chicago school. The aesthetic would not mature and become mainstream for some decades, however. In the meantime, a rival aesthetic emerged: Art Nouveau, a style that flourished in Europe and America at the

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turn of the century ca. Yet this was an exuberantly decorative style, defined by organic, curving, asymmetrical lines inspired by natural forms e. His masterpiece is the Sagrada Familia, a cathedral in Barcelona. Casa Mila, also in Barcelona, is his foremost residential work. During the period ca. Like the modern aesthetic, Art Deco shuns traditional decoration in favour of plain geometric forms. Late Modern Architecture ca. This was achieved primarily by the Bauhaus, a German school of design that operated for most of the interwar period. It should be noted that while Bauhaus designers generally embraced the aesthetic theory of functionalism, deliberate use of this theory or even familiarity with it is not a prerequisite to designing works that feature the modern aesthetic. Thus, for any given modern-style building or object, the designer may or may not have had functionalism in mind. The modern aesthetic reached maturity when excess material including traditional ornamentation had been completely stripped away, leaving only a basic structure of plain geometric forms. As noted above, this maturation was achieved in the early twentieth century, with the Bauhaus leading the way in terms of both innovation and propagation. Architecture that features the mature modern aesthetic is known as international style architecture, due to the rapid global diffusion of this style once it emerged. Compared to traditional aesthetics, an international style building gives an impression of weightlessness, due to its minimalist, unornamented surfaces, as well as the absence of massive structural walls. A sense of balance is sought in the overall plan, whether via perfect symmetry or balanced asymmetry. The geometry of an international style building is mostly flat; curved shapes are used sparingly, if at all. Plain walls white and grey and screens of glass, sometimes several stories in height, predominate. The Swiss architect Le Corbusier, though not a member of the Bauhaus, absorbed and became a leading figure in the international style. He preferred smooth expanses of white reinforced concrete pierced with horizontal strips of windows, as well as a degree of curvilinear geometry see examples. Corbusier mainly designed houses; his masterpiece is the Villa Savoye see photo. While Gropius and Le Corbusier made ample use of reinforced concrete, pure glass-and-steel construction in the international style was perfected by Mies van der Rohe another director of the Bauhaus , who believed so firmly in eliminating all embellishment that his guiding principle was simply "less is more". Mies brought the international style to the height of its influence, as descendants of his glass-and-steel skyscrapers appeared in every corner of the globe. Contemporary with the "Bauhaus age" was the career of the greatest American architect, Frank Lloyd Wright, who like Corbusier focused primarily on residential designs. Wright sought to make his buildings organic; that is, to adjust their layouts and features until they merge with their surroundings, rather than imposing a rectangular box of a house on any given locale. Wright felt that a house should not be located "on" a site, but rather be a natural extension of the site. F,23 The exterior walls of a Wright house are articulated in a relatively complex, asymmetrical manner so as to avoid a stiff, "boxy" appearance , and the house is often visually united with the earth via broad, flat surfaces parallel with the ground e. Interiors are open and flowing rather than mechanically subdivided into small rooms , and ample windows including windows that bend around corners throughout the house merge the interior with the world outside. A mixture of building materials e. Wright shared the functionalist appreciation for rectilinear geometry and plain, undecorated surfaces. His most famous building is Fallingwater, Pennsylvania, while his foremost urban work is the Guggenheim Museum in New York. The other was brutalism: These trends are considered the transitional phase to postmodern architecture, as architects grew impatient with the severe simplicity of the international style. D,F,4 Postmodern Architecture ca. Nonetheless, given its timeless appeal, construction in the international style has continued since ca. Consequently, it is difficult to generalize postmodern architecture beyond the observation that "anything goes". Many postmodern buildings have a sleek, futuristic appearance; these are often described as "high-tech" or "space-age" architecture. G,4 American Philip Johnson may be the most famous of all postmodern architects. Though he started in the international style even assisting Mies on the Seagram Building 19, his later works include the many-cornered IDS Center and the sharp diagonal planes of Crystal Cathedral. The Sony Building grafts a broken pediment a classical element onto an otherwise modern building. Perhaps the most distinctive submovement of postmodern architecture is deconstructivism, which features "broken" buildings. These styles were short-lived, however, and had limited followings. The Industrial Age", Encarta. Late 19th-century developments", Encyclopedia Britannica.

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The steel-skeleton frame was the second necessity for tall buildings. First you had the elevator and then you had the skeleton-frame construction. The nineteenth-century architecture critic Barr Ferree wrote.

Off set with cross member frame Perimeter Frame Frame rails[edit] Pickup truck frame. Notice hat-shaped crossmember in the background, c-shape rails and cross member in center, and a slight arc over the axle. Typically the material used to construct vehicle chassis and frames is carbon steel ; or aluminum alloys to achieve a more light-weight construction. In the case of a separate chassis, the frame is made up of structural elements called the rails or beams. These are ordinarily made of steel channel sections, made by folding, rolling or pressing steel plate. There are three main designs for these. If the material is folded twice, an open-ended cross-section, either C-shaped or hat-shaped U-shaped results. C-shape By far the most common, the C-channel rail has been used on nearly every type of vehicle at one time or another. Hat Hat frames resemble a "U" and may be either right-side-up or inverted with the open area facing down. Not commonly used due to weakness and a propensity to rust, however they can be found on Chevrolet cars and some Studebakers. High performance custom frame, using boxed rails and tube sections Abandoned for a while, the hat frame gained popularity again when companies started welding it to the bottom of unibody cars, in effect creating a boxed frame. Boxed Originally, boxed frames were made by welding two matching C-rails together to form a rectangular tube. Modern techniques, however, use a process similar to making C-rails in that a piece of steel is bent into four sides and then welded where both ends meet. In the s, the boxed frames of conventional American cars were spot-welded here and there down the seam; when turned into NASCAR "stock car" racers, the box was continuously welded from end to end for extra strength. The first issue addressed is beam height, or the height of the vertical side of a frame. The taller the frame, the better it is able to resist vertical flex when force is applied to the top of the frame. This is the reason semi-trucks have taller frame rails than other vehicles instead of just being thicker. As looks, ride quality, and handling became more important to consumers, new shapes were incorporated into frames. The most visible of these are arches and kick-ups. Instead of running straight over both axles , arched frames sit lower roughly level with their axles and curve up over the axles and then back down on the other side for bumper placement. This is done mainly on trucks to save weight and slightly increase room for the engine since the front of the vehicle does not bear as much of a load as the back. Design developments include frames that use more than one shape in the same frame rail. For example, some pickup trucks have a boxed frame in front of the cab, shorter, narrower rails underneath the cab, and regular C-rails under the bed. On perimeter frames, the areas where the rails connect from front to center and center to rear are weak compared to regular frames, so that section is boxed in, creating what is known as torque boxes. Ladder frame[edit] Ladder chassis with diagonal cross-bracing and lightening holes So named for its resemblance to a ladder, the ladder frame is one of the simplest and oldest of all designs. It consists of two symmetrical beams, rails, or channels running the length of the vehicle, and several transverse cross-members connecting them. Originally seen on almost all vehicles, the ladder frame was gradually phased out on cars in favor of perimeter frames and unitized body construction. It is now seen mainly on trucks. This design offers good beam resistance because of its continuous rails from front to rear, but poor resistance to torsion or warping if simple, perpendicular cross-members are used. Such a design is generally lighter and more rigid than a vehicle having a separate body and frame. Integral frame and body construction requires more than simply welding an unstressed body to a conventional frame. In a fully integrated body structure, the entire car is a load-carrying unit that handles all the loads experienced by the vehicle forces from driving as well as cargo loads. Integral-type bodies for wheeled vehicles are typically manufactured by welding preformed metal panels and other components together, by forming or casting whole sections as one piece, or by a combination of these techniques. The first attempt to develop such a design technique was on the Lancia Lambda to provide structural stiffness and a lower body height for its torpedo car body. In , Joseph Ledwinka , an engineer with Budd, designed an automobile prototype with full unitary construction. This high volume, mass production car was introduced in and sold , units over the next 23 years

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of production. The result was a low-slung vehicle with an open, flat-floored interior. For the Chrysler Airflow unfortunately, this method was not ideal - panel fits were poor. The streamlined Lincoln-Zephyr with conventional front-engine, rear-wheel-drive layout utilized a unibody structure. Mason was convinced "that unibody was the wave of the future. After Nash merged with Hudson Motors to form American Motors, its Rambler-badged automobiles continued exclusively building variations of the unibody. Although the Chrysler Airflow had a weaker than usual frame and body framework welded to the chassis to provide stiffness, in , Chrysler moved from body-on-frame construction to a unit-body design for most of its cars. The unibody is now the preferred construction for mass market automobiles and crossovers. This design provides weight savings, improved space utilisation, and ease of manufacture. Acceptance grew dramatically in the wake of the two energy crises of the s and the s where compact SUVs using a truck platform primarily the USA market were subjected to CAFE standards after by the latest truck-based compact SUVs were phased out and replaced with crossovers. An additional advantage of a strong-bodied car lies in the improved crash protection for its passengers.

Backbone chassis A backbone chassis is a type of automobile construction chassis that is similar to the body-on-frame design. Instead of a two-dimensional ladder type structure, it consists of a strong tubular backbone usually rectangular in cross section that connects the front and rear suspension attachment areas. A body is then placed on this structure.

X-frame[edit] **Rolling X-frame chassis** This is the design used for the full-size American models of General Motors in the late s and early s in which the rails from alongside the engine seemed to cross in the passenger compartment, each continuing to the opposite end of the crossmember at the extreme rear of the vehicle. It was specifically chosen to decrease the overall height of the vehicles regardless of the increase in the size of the transmission and propeller shaft humps, since each row had to cover frame rails as well. Several models had the differential located not by the customary bar between axle and frame, but by a ball joint atop the differential connected to a socket in a wishbone hinged onto a crossmember of the frame. The X-frame was claimed to improve on previous designs, but it lacked side rails and thus did not provide adequate side-impact and collision protection. This became the prevalent design for body-on-frame cars in the United States, but not in the rest of the world, until the uni-body gained popularity. It allowed for annual model changes introduced in the s to increase sales, but without costly structural changes. As of , there are no perimeter frame automobiles sold in the United States after the Ford Motor Company phased out the Panther platform in , which ended the perimeter frame passenger car in the United States the Chevrolet Corvette has used a variation of the perimeter frame since , but its fourth generation variant to its current generation as of has elements of the perimeter frame integrated with an internal endoskeleton which serves as a clamshell. In addition to a lowered roof, the perimeter frame allows lower seating positions when that is desirable, and offers better safety in the event of a side impact. However, the design lacks stiffness, because the transition areas from front to center and center to rear reduce beam and torsional resistance, hence the use of torque boxes, and soft suspension settings.

VW Beetle "platform frame" chassis. **Renault 4 "platform frame" chassis.** Where the Volkswagen frame design relies heavily on a strong backbone, the Renault design is much closer to that of a typical perimeter frame. This is a modification of the perimeter frame, or of the backbone frame, in which the passenger compartment floor, and sometimes also the luggage compartment floor have been integrated into the frame as loadbearing parts, for extra strength and rigidity. Neither floor pieces are simply sheet metal straight off the roll, but have been stamped with ridges and hollows for extra strength.

Platform chassis were used on several successful European cars. The most well-known of this is the Volkswagen Beetle , on which it is called body on pan construction. Another German example are the Mercedes-Benz "Ponton" cars of the s and s, [18] where it was called a "frame floor" in English-language advertisements. The French Renault 4 of which over eight million were made, also used a platform frame. The frame of the Citroen 2CV represents a more minimal interpretation of a platform chassis. In order to maximise rigidity and minimise weight, the design makes maximum use of triangles, and all the forces in each strut are either tensile or compressive, never bending, so they can be kept as thin as possible.

Jaguar C-Type frame The first true spaceframe chassis were produced in the s by Buckminster Fuller and William Bushnell Stout the Dymaxion and the Stout Scarab who understood the theory of the true spaceframe from either architecture or aircraft design. The Italian term Superleggera meaning "super-light" was

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trademarked by Carrozzeria Touring for lightweight sports-car body construction that only resembles a space-frame chassis. Using a three-dimensional frame that consists of a cage of narrow tubes that, besides being under the body, run up the fenders and over the radiator, cowl, and roof, and under the rear window, it resembles a geodesic structure. A skin is attached to the outside of the frame and is often made of aluminium. This body construction is however not stress-bearing, and still requires the addition of a chassis. The Lamborghini Aventador has a carbon fibre central monocoque, with front and rear steel subframes, mounting the mechanicals. Main article: Typically attached to a unibody or a monocoque, the rigid subframe can handle high chassis forces and can transfer them evenly over a wide area of relatively thin sheet metal of a unitized body shell. Subframes are often found at the front or rear end of cars, and are used to attach the suspension to the vehicle. A subframe may also contain the engine and transmission. It is normally of box steel construction, but may be tubular.

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Just as a cheap steel frame can be weaker and heavier than a good one, an aluminum frame could easily be heavier than a steel model. 6. It is true that aluminum as a material is 1/2 the weight of steel.

Before World War II Europe The Modernist movement in architecture was an attempt to create a nonhistorical architecture of Functionalism in which a new sense of space would be created with the help of modern materials. The Viennese architect Adolf Loos opposed the use of any ornament at all and designed purist compositions of bald, functional blocks such as the Steiner House at Vienna , one of the first private houses of reinforced concrete. Behrens strongly affected three great architects who worked in his office: In Germany , Gropius followed a mechanistic direction. His Fagus Works factory at Alfeld-an-der-Leine in Germany and the Werkbund exposition building at the Cologne exhibition had been models of industrial architecture in which vigorous forms were enclosed by masonry and glass; the effect of these buildings was gained by the use of steel frames, strong silhouette, and the logic of their plans. There were no historical influences or expressions of local landscape, traditions, or materials. The beauty of the buildings derived from adapting form to a technological culture. Later called the Bauhaus , it became the most important centre of modern design until the Nazi s closed it in While he was at Weimar, Gropius developed a firm philosophy about architecture and education, which he announced in The aim of the visual arts , he said, is to create a complete, homogeneous physical environment in which all the arts have their place. Architects, sculptors, furniture makers, and painters must learn practical crafts and obtain knowledge of tools, materials, and forms; they must become acquainted with the machine and attempt to use it in solving the social problems of an industrial society. At the Bauhaus, aesthetic investigations into space, colour, construction, and elementary forms were flavoured by Cubism and Constructivism. Moving the school to Dessau in , Gropius designed the pioneering new Bauhaus â€™26 in which steel frames and glass walls provided workshops within severely Cubistic buildings. With insight, Garnier developed a comprehensive scheme for residential neighbourhoods, transportation terminals, schools, and industrial centres, and his plan became a major influential scheme for 20th-century urban design. Garnier received no mandate to build such a city, but his town hall at Boulogne-Billancourt â€™34 recalled the promise he had shown, though it was not so innovative and masterful as might have been expected. He conceived of the city as a symbol of the new technological age. It was an affirmative environment for the future, however, in opposition to the negating inhuman Expressionistic city of the future conceived by Fritz Lang in the film classic Metropolis. The second generation of Expressionists centred their activities in postwar Germany and The Netherlands. As Germany was the centre of Expressionism, Paris was the stronghold of the advocates of a new vision of space, Cubism , which Georges Braque and Pablo Picasso developed about Forms were dismembered into their faceted components; angular forms, interpenetrated planes, transparencies, and diverse impressions were recorded as though seen simultaneously. Soon architectural reflections of the Cubist aesthetic appeared internationally. Interior spaces were defined by thin, discontinuous planes and glass walls; supports were reduced to slender metal columns, machine-finished and without ornamentation; and Cubistic voids and masses were arranged programmatically in asymmetric compositions. The Dutch De Stijl movement was influenced by Cubism, although it sought a greater abstract purity in its geometric formalism. Meanwhile Oud collaborated with van Doesburg for a time and vigorously proclaimed the new style in housing developments he built at Rotterdam after , Hook of Holland â€™27 , and Stuttgart, Germany He directed the Weissenhof estate project of the Werkbund Exposition at Stuttgart , contributing the design for an apartment house. Such practical problems failed to show his talent, which was not fully known until he designed the German pavilion for the International Exposition at Barcelona in The continuous spaces partitioned with thin marble planes and the chromed steel columns drew international applause. It revealed a world of new formsâ€™not Classical capitals and Gothic arches but ships, turbines, grain elevators, airplanes, and machine products, which Le Corbusier said were indexes to 20th-century imagination. His love of machines was combined with a belief in communal authority as the best means of accomplishing social reforms, and Le Corbusier directed his attention toward the

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problems of housing and urban patterns. An architectural attack, using standardized building components and mass production, was required. In he also brought forth his project for a skyscraper city of 3., people, in which tall office and apartment buildings would stand in broad open plazas and parks with the Cubist spaces between them defined by low row housing. The villa, Les Terrasses, at Garches, France , was a lively play of spatial parallelepipeds six-sided solid geometric forms the faces of which are parallelograms ruled by horizontal planes, but his style seemed to culminate in the most famous of his houses, the Villa Savoye at Poissy , France

â€” In the period after the Russian Revolution of the erstwhile Soviet Union at first encouraged modern art, and several architects, notably the German Bruno Taut, looked to the new government for a sociological program. The Constructivist project for a monument to the Third International by Vladimir Tatlin was a machine in which the various sections comprising legislative houses and offices would rotate within an exposed steel armature. Its foundation later was used for an outdoor swimming pool. With its gigantic Corinthian columns, the building for the Central Committee of the Communist Party at Kiev showed an overbearing scale. After the Modernist movement spread through Europe. Aalto and other Scandinavians gained a following among those repelled by severe German Modernism. In England, refugees from Germany and other countries, alone or with English designers, inaugurated a radical Modernismâ€”for example, the apartment block known as Highpoint I, Highgate, London by Berthold Lubetkin and the Tecton group, The second generation of architects of the Chicago School , such as William G. The greatest of all these new Chicago architects was Frank Lloyd Wright. Meanwhile, he scored a triumph with his administration building for the Larkin Company at Buffalo, New York, in destroyed , which grouped offices around a central skylighted court, sealed them hermetically against their smoky environs, and offered amenities in circulation, air conditioning, fire protection, and plumbing. In its blocky fire towers, sequences of piers and recessed spandrels were coupled together in a powerful composition. Wright was, however, ignored by all except a select following. The buildings of the single figure who gave international distinction to early 20th-century American architecture remained the cherished property of personal clients, such as Aline Barnsdall, for whom Wright designed the Hollyhock House at Los Angeles â€” The first edition summarized the chief features of that architecture: There were also four new properties: His Millard House at Pasadena, California , exemplified many of these principles; its concrete-block walls were cast with decorative patterns. A period of withdrawal at Taliesin afforded Wright several years of intensive reflection, from which he emerged with fabulous drawings for the Doheny ranch in California , a skyscraper for the National Life Insurance Company at Chicago â€”25 , and St. The last was to have been an story apartment house comprising a concrete stem from which four arms branched outward to form the sidewalls of apartments cantilevered from the stem to an exterior glass wall. His ideas gained a wide hearing in when he published the Kahn lectures he had delivered at Princeton in At about the same time, Wright produced four masterpieces: Fallingwater , Bear Run, Pennsylvania , the daringly cantilevered weekend house of Edgar Kaufmann; the administration building of S. With increasing sensitivity to local terrain and native forms and materials, Wright stated more complex spatial and structural themes than European Modernists, who seldom attempted either extreme programmatic plans or organic adaptation of form to a particular environment. Eventually, Wright himself developed a more universal geometry, as he revealed in the sculptural Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum at New York City â€” Guggenheim Museum in New York City. The emblem of business, the office building , sometimes suffered from the demand for unique, distinctive towers; indeed, Harvey Wiley Corbett, a New York architect, admitted that publicity was the ruling motivation for some designers. Hood for his winning entry in the Chicago Tribune competition , beating out many seemingly more contemporary, albeit less splashy, entries. Tribune TowerTribune Tower, Chicago. This soaring and jagged form received legal support from the New York City zoning law of and economic justification from the fact that, in order to obtain rentable, peripheral office space in the upper floors, where the banks of elevators diminished, whole increments of office space had to be omitted. Paradoxically, one archaeological find led to simpler buildings when, about , Mayan pyramids inspired Timothy Pflueger in his work on the Sutter building in San Francisco. Clifflike blocks arose in Chicago, the Daily News and Palmolive buildings being the best examples; New York City acquired a straightforward expression of tall vertical piers and setback cubical masses in the Daily News Building , by the

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versatile Hood, who had run the course from Gothic to modern form. Few of these, including the Empire State Building, did anything to solve urban density and transportation problems; indeed, they intensified them. Rockefeller Center, however, begun in 1928, was, with its space for pedestrians within a complex of slablike skyscrapers, outstanding and too seldom copied. Rockefeller Center was proof that by there was a move toward simple form, which was presaged by the architecture of the TVA Tennessee Valley Authority. European Modernism gained a firm following in the United States as some of its best practitioners emigrated there. Eliel Saarinen, who won second prize in the Chicago Tribune competition, gained the acclaim of Sullivan and other architects. He settled in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, a Detroit suburb, where he established a school of architecture at the Cranbrook Academy of Art. Saarinen designed its new buildings, gradually freeing himself from historical reminiscences of his native Scandinavia. He remained sensitive to the role of art in architecture, best revealed by his use of the sculpture of the Swede Carl Milles. Gropius joined the architectural school of Harvard University and established an educational focus recalling the Bauhaus. In the United States, Gropius, with Breuer, introduced modern houses to Lincoln, Massachusetts, a Boston suburb, and formed a group, the Architects Collaborative, the members of which designed the thoroughly modern Harvard Graduate Center. Mies became dean of the department of architecture at the Illinois Institute of Technology at Chicago in 1929 and designed its new campus. Crown Hall (1956) marked the apogee of this quarter-century project. After World War II, big industry turned to modern architects for distinctive emblems of prestige. Wright alone avoided the rectilinear geometry of these office buildings. In he saw his Price Tower rise at Bartlesville, Oklahoma, a richly faceted, concrete and copper fulfillment of the St. There was increasing interest in highly sculptural masses and spaces, as well as in the decorative qualities of diverse building materials and exposed structural systems. Mies constructed rectilinear versions of such a space in Crown Hall and in his Farnsworth House at Plano, Illinois (1950), while Philip Johnson allowed a single functional unit, the brick-cylinder utility stack, to protrude from his precise glass house at New Canaan, Connecticut. Kennedy International Airport, New York City (1962), were outstanding examples of these dynamically monumental, single-form buildings the geometric shapes and silhouettes of which were derived from mathematical computation and technological innovation. Both architects were exponents of the new monumentalism. Asher Farnsworth House, Plano, Ill. Johnson, in New Canaan, Conn. LC-DIG-highsm- These designs posed problems in structural engineering and in scale, but many architects, such as the American Minoru Yamasaki in the McGregor Building for Wayne State University at Detroit, attempted to make structure become decorative, while the decorative screen, as used by Edward Durell Stone at the United States embassy in New Delhi (1959), offered a device for wrapping programmatic interiors within a rich pattern of sculptured walls. Air transportation, trade exhibitions, and spectator sports summoned the often awesome spatial resources of modern technology. Murphy and Associates are examples of the colossal spaces achieved at the time in reinforced concrete or steel and glass. International exhibitions seldom offered comparable architecture. Buckminster Fuller, and the startling Constructivist apartment house, Habitat 67, by the Israeli Moshe Safdie, in association with David, Barott, and Boulva, whose precast-concrete apartment units were hoisted into place and post-tensioned to permit dramatic cantilevers and terraces. Kahn, in his design for the Richards Medical Research Building, gave the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia a linear programmatic composition of laboratories, each served by vertical systems for circulating gases, liquids, and electricity. The Morse and Stiles colleges, also at Yale, were designed by Eero Saarinen and set a new standard for multiple-entry urban dormitories. Even the traditionalist campuses of New England preparatory schools gained modern architecture, such as the art building and science building at Phillips Academy in Andover, Massachusetts, by Benjamin A. Thomson and the dormitories at St. The innovations in educational architecture were international. An example of what became known as the New Brutalism, this building was influenced by Mies van der Rohe. Pei, were imaginative single buildings responding to urban circumstances.

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Chicago's skyscrapers, however, were constrained by the contemporary limits of steel-frame design and the muddy sub-soil in the city, which together limited most of their skyscrapers to around 16 or 17 stories.

Learn everything about building construction. Mild steel is a material that is immensely strong. If you were to attach this bar securely to your ceiling, you could hang from it 20, Kg which is 20 tons , or any one of the following: This immense strength is of great advantage to buildings. The other important feature of steel framing is its flexibility. It can bend without cracking, which is another great advantage, as a steel building can flex when it is pushed to one side by say, wind, or an earthquake. The third characteristic of steel is its plasticity or ductility. This means that when subjected to great force, it will not suddenly crack like glass, but slowly bend out of shape. Failure in steel frames is not sudden - a steel structure rarely collapses. Steel in most cases performs far better in earthquake than most other materials because of these properties. However one important property of steel is that it quickly loses its strength in a fire. At degrees celsius degrees F , mild steel can lose almost half its strength. Steel construction is also called steel fabrication. Conventional Steel Fabrication is when teams of steel fabricators cut members of steel to the correct lengths, and then weld them together to make the final structure. This can be done entirely at the construction site, which is labour-intensive, or partially in a workshop, to provide better working conditions and reduce time. Bolted Steel Construction occurs when steel fabricators produce finished and painted steel components, which are then shipped to the site and simply bolted in place. This is the preferred method of steel construction, as the bulk of the fabrication can be done in workshops, with the right machinery, lighting, and work conditions. The size of the components are governed by the size of the truck or trailer they are shipped in, usually with a max length of 6m 20ft for normal trucks or 12m 40ft for long trailers. Since the only work to be done at site is lifting the steel members into place with cranes and bolting, the work at site is tremendously fast. Pre-engineered buildings are an example of bolted steel construction that is designed, fabricated, shipped and erected by one company to the owner. Light Gauge Steel Construction is a type of construction that is common for residential and small buildings in North America and parts of Europe. This is similar to wood framed construction , except that light gauge steel members are used in place of wood two-by-fours. Light gauge steel is steel that is in the form of thin mm sheets of steel that have been bent into shape to form C-sections or Z-sections. Let us first construct this in concrete, with four columns at the corners, beams spanning between the columns, and a mm 6" thick concrete slab at the top. The steel framed building will weigh only 2. So the concrete building is over 12 times heavier! This is for single storey structures - in multi-storey structures, the difference will be less, as the floors in multi-storey steel buildings are built of concrete slabs for economy - but the difference is still significant. This low weight of steel frame buildings means that they have to be firmly bolted to the foundations to resist wind forces, else they could be blown away like deck umbrellas! They are super-quick to build at site, as a lot of work can be pre-fabbed at the factory. They are flexible, which makes them very good at resisting dynamic changing forces such as wind or earthquake forces. A wide range of ready-made structural sections are available, such as I, C, and angle sections They can be made to take any kind of shape, and clad with any type of material A wide range of joining methods is available, such as bolting, welding, and riveting disadvantages of steel structures Steel structures have the following disadvantages: They lose strength at high temperatures, and are susceptible to fire. They are prone to corrosion in humid or marine environments.

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