Project EDEN ... the Largest green house

• Architect: Nicholas, Grimshaw
• Location: St. Austell Cornwall, England
• Construction System: plastic glazing and tensile-braced steel.
The Components of the structure....

- **Organically deformed vault like form:**
  - Tensile-braced steel.

- **Covered Biomes:**
  - Three layers of **ETFE foil** within the hexagons.
  - Blown apart by air forming an insulating pillow.
  - Air inflated to conserve heat and energy.

- **Girder:**
  - Arched girders transfer the domes load to the strip foundation.
The Structural Geometry....

The structure is composed of hexagons and pentagons to form the desired vault shape.

- Tensile braced Steel hexagon
- Triangular connectors on hexagon arm
- Steel tying member
Analyzing the structural loads....
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The Load is transferred from plastic glazing......
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On to the steel braced hexagons......
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From which the load is carried down to the foundation by steel girders......
The Multiframe analysis for the studied module ....

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- Axial stresses:
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Joints...

. All the joints in the structure are pinned.

. The dome does not resist any moment.

. Rigidity is attained by triangular form of the elements.
The structural assembly:

Thank you.....