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Gerald Ratner Athletic Center (University of Chicago)

Architect Cesar Pelli focused on creating a design that is both functional and exciting for the Ratner Athletic Center at the University of Chicago. His solution of a cable-stayed waved roof with soaring masts meets this goal and makes the building instantly recognizable.

Early in the project, co-architect and project structural engineer OWP/P contacted Chicago Metal Rolled Products to find out if it was possible to create an S-curve in a single member with no splicing. Chicago Metal had the capability, and was able to roll the eight pieces of W33×169 (93’ long) to an 85’ radius (14’ arc), followed by a 22’ straight tangent, followed by a 146’ radius reverse bend (12’ arc).

Chicago Metal roll-curved this steel as well as W21×93, W18×76, W14×48, W14×30 and W14×22, for a total 310 tons of beams, cold-bent about the strong axis, to complete the flattened, S-curve roof. The architects, engineers, general contractor, and fabricator all visited the shop to view the bending.

Steel cables support the roof girders. The cables are linked to two tall masts over the roof of complex’s pool, two tall masts over the roof of the complex’s gym, and 15 smaller masts that rise above the pool and gym roofs. The roof’s shape was then “tuned” by the cables until it met the desired shape.

With the masts doing the heavy lifting, only thin beams were needed to span large, column-free areas. With an all-glass east wall under the sinuous roof line, the roof floats like a magic carpet.

Read more about the Ratner Center in the March 2004 issue of Modern Steel Construction in the article “Design Considerations in Cable-Stayed Roof Structures.” The project received an AISC Engineering Award of Excellence, covered in the April 2004 issue of MSC.
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World Cup Stadium—Cable Stayed Roof Structure

Careful engineering work and an effective software package contributed to the successful design of the 2002 World Cup soccer stadium in ChonJu, Korea. Since then, the 42,000-seat stadium has been used extensively and has stood up to several major typhoons. CS Structural Engineering Inc., in association with MIDAS IT, used MIDAS/Gen software to explore numerous design alternatives and engineer the final product.

The footprint of the stadium occupies an area of 853’ by 525’. More than 200,000 sq. ft of roof coverage was required, with unobstructed views. A structural steel system was the best alternative for the roof structure, and was chosen from the outset. Many different designs for the roof structure were considered, including an arch concept, spanning the long direction of the stadium, a tension-cable membrane structure, a space-frame concept and other variations. Engineers designed preliminary schemes for the alternatives, and compared estimated costs using MIDAS/Gen for analysis, design and quantity take-off. The constructed design met requirements for cost, schedule, architectural expression and constructability. The lower-stand structure was designed with reinforced, post-tensioned and precast concrete, and integrated with the structural-steel roof structure using the same analysis and design model.

The roof structure is a hybrid steel system that comprises structural steel trusses, cable stays and four-corner masts with branch beams. The inner ring truss acts as the primary roof support, which is suspended from the 2.5” o.d. to 3.5” o.d. front stay cables at 28 points stemming from the four corner masts. The 28 front and back stay cables are suspended from the four masts, which rise 220’ above the third floor. The masts retain a non-prismatic built-up profile through the entire height. They vary from 3.3’ o.d. with 1.75” thickness at the base to 10’ o.d. with 0.75” thickness at the branch beams at the 65’ mark. The masts then taper to a smaller diameter at the peak, where the front and back stay cables merge together.

The scope of the roof-structure design extended beyond the scope of typical structure design. Analysis required the staging of cable tensioning and erection engineering. There were more than 100 load cases and combinations. Using MIDAS/Gen, designers performed a construction sequence analysis in conjunction with a large-displacement nonlinear analysis using cable element. MIDAS/Gen also provided buckling analysis and connection-detail analysis using the auto-meshing feature. With MIDAS/Gen’s analysis tools, graphic visualization and speed, the design team met sophisticated structural requirements.

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