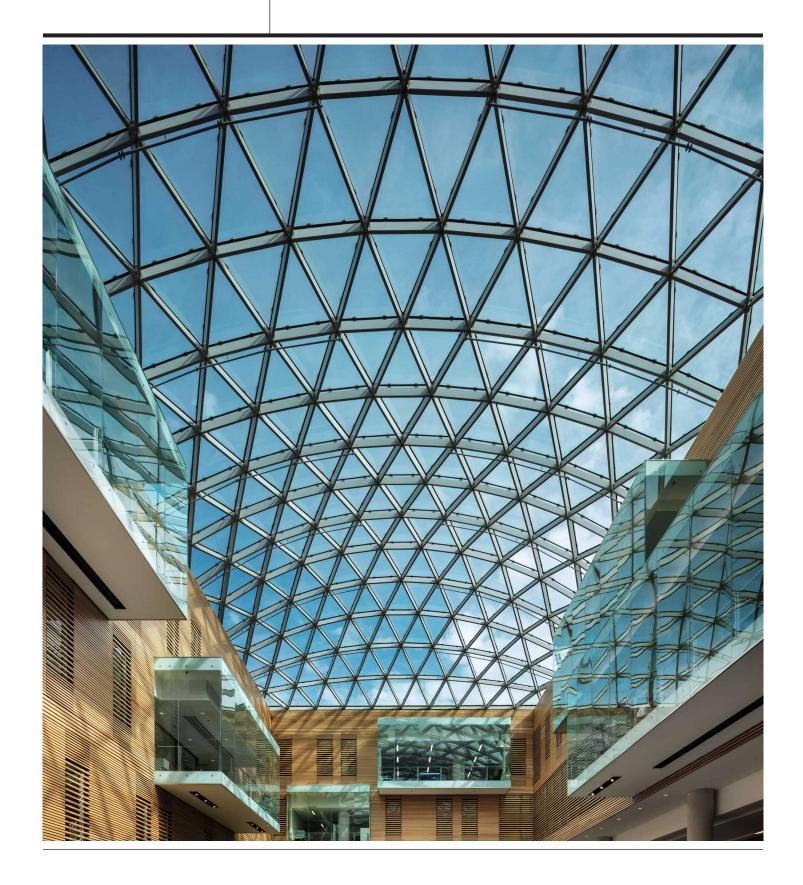
FF-System

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## **System Components**

- 01. FF node discs are from C45 forged or S355 steel, precision machined and then plated and painted. There are two discs at each beam intersection to optimize the weight and size of the connection
- 02. FF structural members are typically hollow rectangular sections A500 Gr B or C or S355 European standard with factory welded cast tapered adaptor ends which allow for smaller nodes and full transfer of loads via two bolts
- 03. Concealed high strength steel fasteners with zinc plated and special corrosion resistant coating depending on environmental conditions
- 04. Bolts are DIN 912 Grade 8.8 or 10.9 depending on applications and strength

# **Applications**

- Single layer three-dimensional grid structures for atriums, facades, roofs, walls and canopies
- 02. Typically used for triangulated freeform single layer grids. More conventional curved, double curved and orthogonal forms are also readily achieved
- 03. Designed to achieve angular changes in surface planes and where angles between tubes are typically over 30 degrees

## **System Attributes**

- 01. State-of-the-art mechanically fastened three-dimensional space grid technology
- 02. Nodes are custom machined for tight tolerance and full geometric freedom using CNC equipment
- 03. Hidden high strength fasteners which are prestressed during install with special tools. Limited field welding
- 04. Semi rigid connections comfortably provide spans to 120' (35m) or more as a single layer
- 05. Structural profiles are optimized using varied wall thicknesses
- 06. Member sizes typically are 3" (80mm) wide and vary in depth from 5" (120mm) to 20" (500mm). Deeper sections are wider
- 07. Grid and beam sizes are determined by spans, loading and cladding type
- 08. Requires no secondary steelwork between structure and cladding
- 09. Glass, panels and membrane claddings fully integrate with the FF-System using Novum Edge Clamps, Point Supported Glass and Air Filled Pillows
- 10. Structures are designed by Novum's in-house engineers complete with cladding. The FF-System can be used integral with other Novum Structural Systems such as AES, KK and BK to increase its spanning capabilities
- 11. With the TOG Solution (Triangulated Optimized Glazing), the FF-System adopts a large module triangular grid and four pieces of glass are used to fill the panel using Novum PSG and ECG Systems. This can be a very economical and lightweight enclosure with nominal structure
- 12. This system is quick to fabricate due to highly integrated design and production software, robotic production and optimized processes. It installs rapidly as it is inherently stable and self-aligns when fully tightened

#### Options/Materials/Finishes

- 01. Standard member finish is hot dip galvanized inside and out after fabrication and then finish painted
- 02. Options include powder coating over hot dip galvanizing or galvanized only