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Digital_Fabrication_Studio.01

Fabbing and Fab Labs - history, concepts, fields of application

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This morning:

- * Digital Fabrication
- * FabLabs
- * Other spaces



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01.

Digital Fabrication: interactions between bits and atoms

A craft project



“This exact material (atoms) and my perception and experience (bits)”

Source: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/kellycdb/6168020183/>
<http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:Wood>

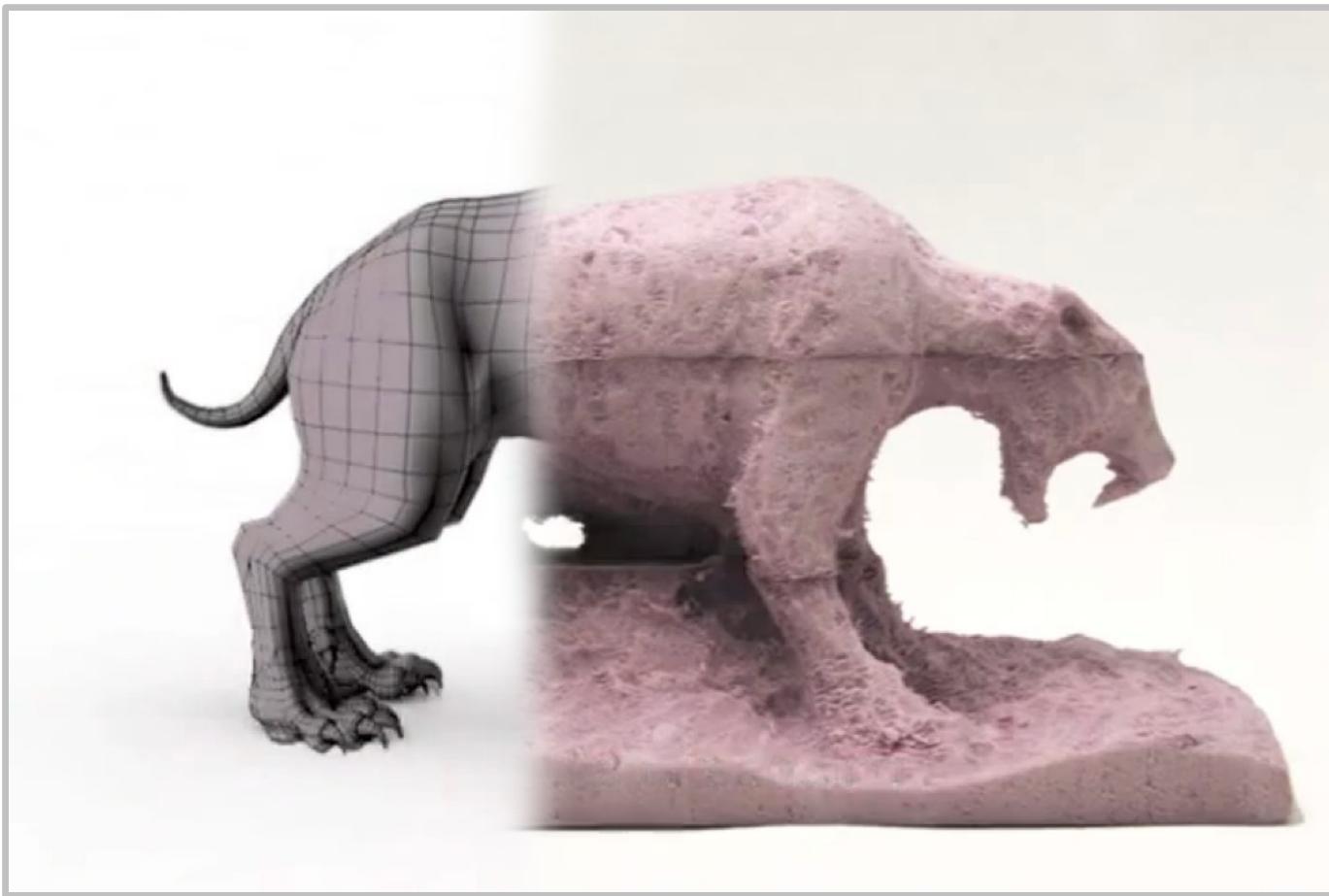
An industrial project



“A standardized material (atoms) described only by numerical values (bits)”

Source: <http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:KUKA>
<http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:Polyethylene>

A digital fabrication (fabbing) project



“My experience, perception and digital information (bits) shape this exact material and its values (atoms)”

Source: http://web.media.mit.edu/~amitz/Amit_Zoran_home_page/the_freeD.html

A digital fabrication (fabbing) project



“... and I will probably design and make my own tools” [metadesign]

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Source: http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=TxHiTjapTqg

Bits + atoms = information + materials



fablab
waag society

what you can do in fablab amsterdam ▾

projects ▶

equipment ▶

embroidered speaker tryout



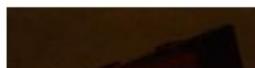
Fab Prosthetics

Abstract The major objective of prosthetics is to restore the functional capacity formerly held by a limb deficient person as closely as...



Fab Foos

Fab Foos is a open source Table Soccer Game, featuring 2 web cams, audio response, electronic counter system and vga out. The goal was to built the...



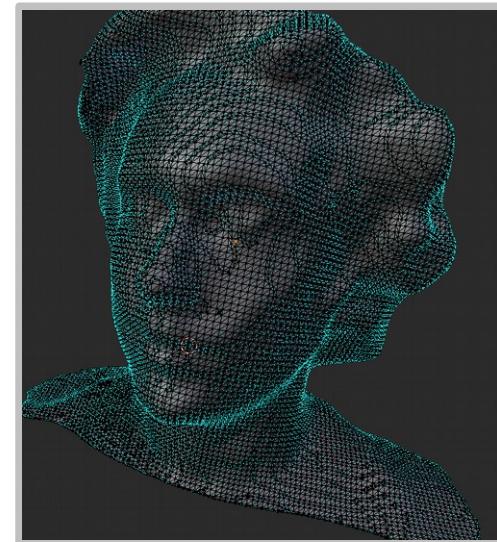
Comm. Design

During my three months at

Developing projects at the intersections
between bits and atoms

Source: <http://fablab.waag.org/node/3847>

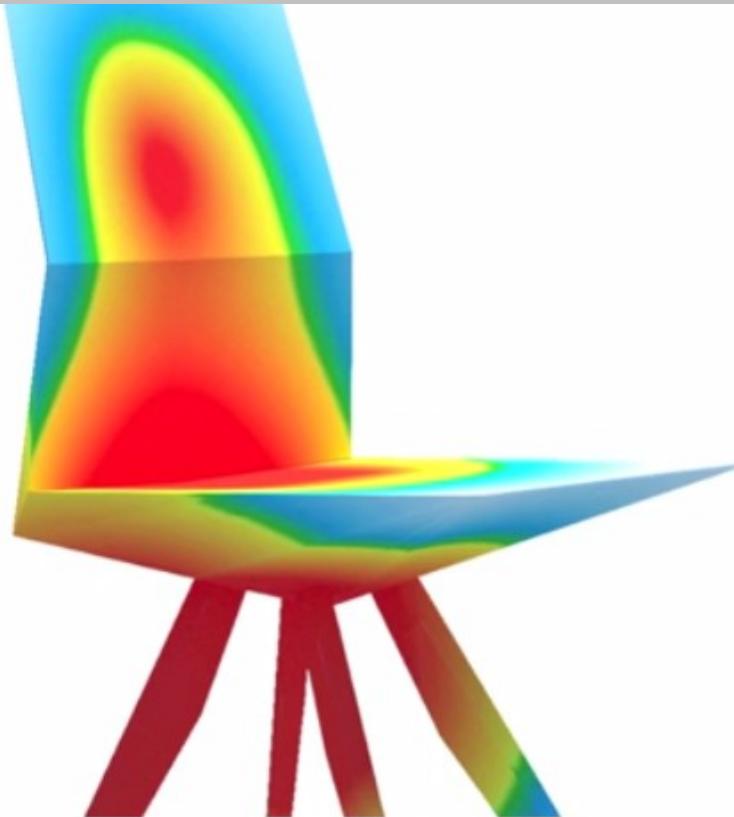
Bits and atoms – two directions



From atoms to bits
(getting data -
representation)

From bits to atoms
(build the data -
representation)

Bits and atoms: an application



As an individual sits in the chair, information about the flow of forces from his or her weight is depicted on visualization screens throughout the space.

Source: <http://www.designboom.com/weblog/cat/16/view/20419/audi-r18-ultra-chair.html>
<http://vimeo.com/40877183>

Digital Fabrication and bits+atoms: CBA @ MIT



... not the center for rapid prototyping: “investigating the interface between computer science and physical science”

Source: <http://cba.mit.edu/>
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Neil_Gershenfeld

Fab.01: Machines attached to a computer

Google patents

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MOTOR CONTROLLED APPARATUS FOR POSITIONING MACHINE TOOL Frank L. Stulen et al

United States Patent Office

Overview Abstract Drawing Description Claims +1 0

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Patent number: 2820187
Filing date: May 5, 1952
Issue date: Jan 14, 1958

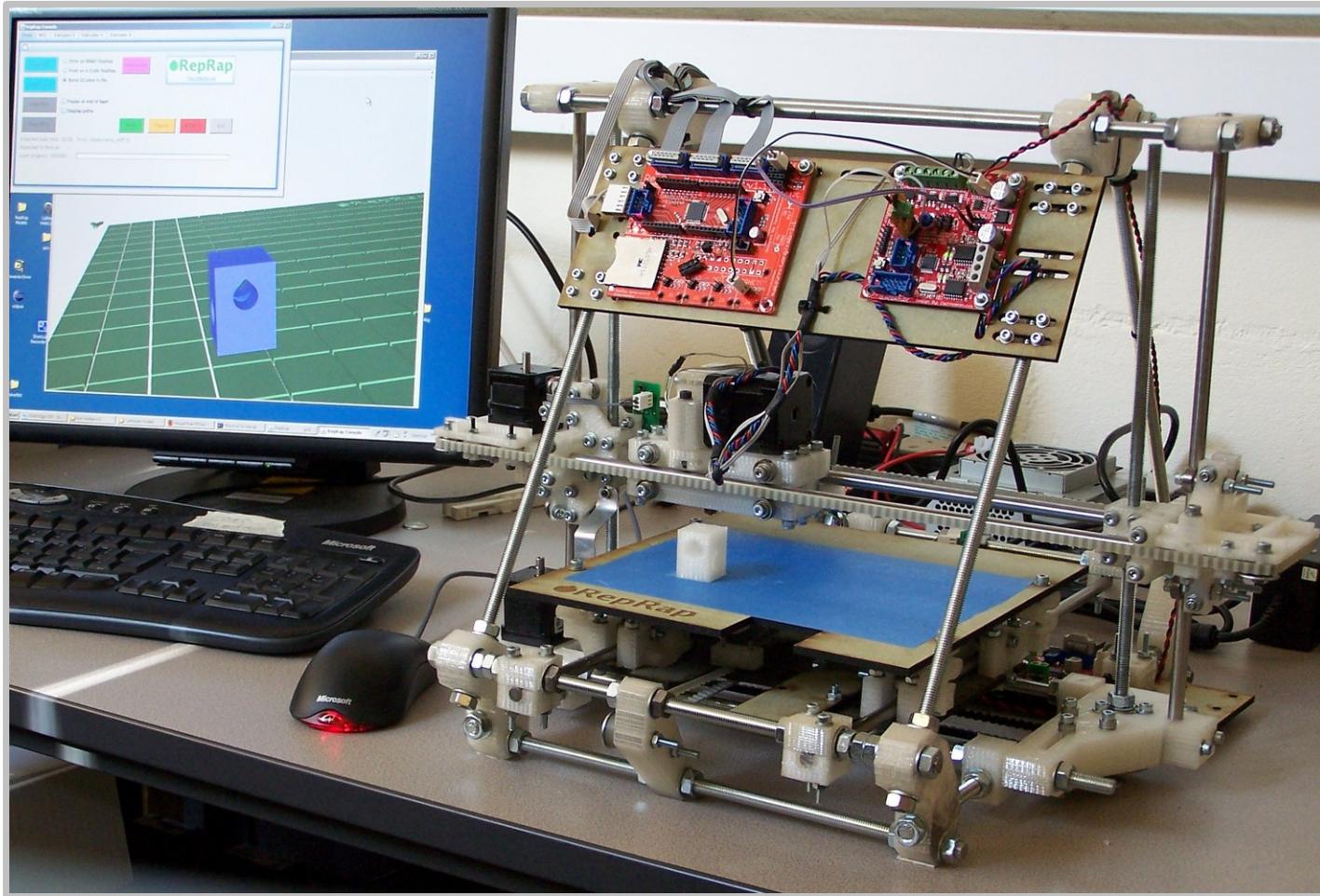
Filed May 5, 1952

7 Sheets-Sheet 1

The diagram illustrates a complex industrial machine, specifically a motor-controlled apparatus for positioning a machine tool. The machine features a vertical column with a control panel (20) at the top. A horizontal beam (22) extends from the column, supported by a vertical post (34). A worktable (16) is positioned below the beam, supported by legs (14) and a central frame (24). Various mechanical components, including gears (30), belts (32), and a motor (50), are visible, showing the internal structure for controlling the machine's movement. A small control cabinet (52) is located to the left of the main unit.

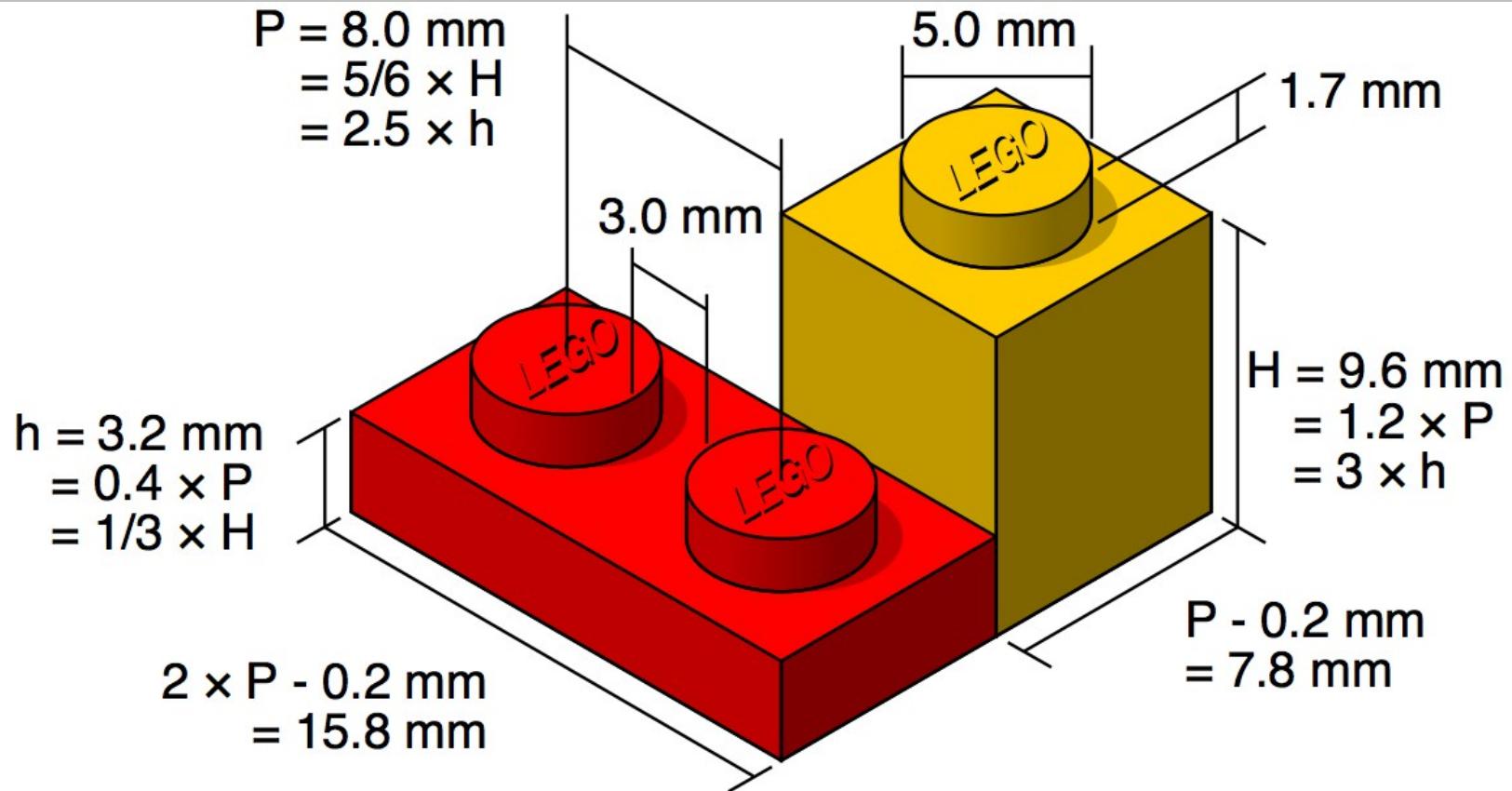
1950s: first computer numerical control (CNC) machines, attached to computers

Fab.02: Machines that make machines



2005: RepRapa (open source) 3D printer that replicates itself (and that generated an ecosystem of 3D printers)

Fab.03: Materials with embedded code



Materials with an embedded code that help shaping them.

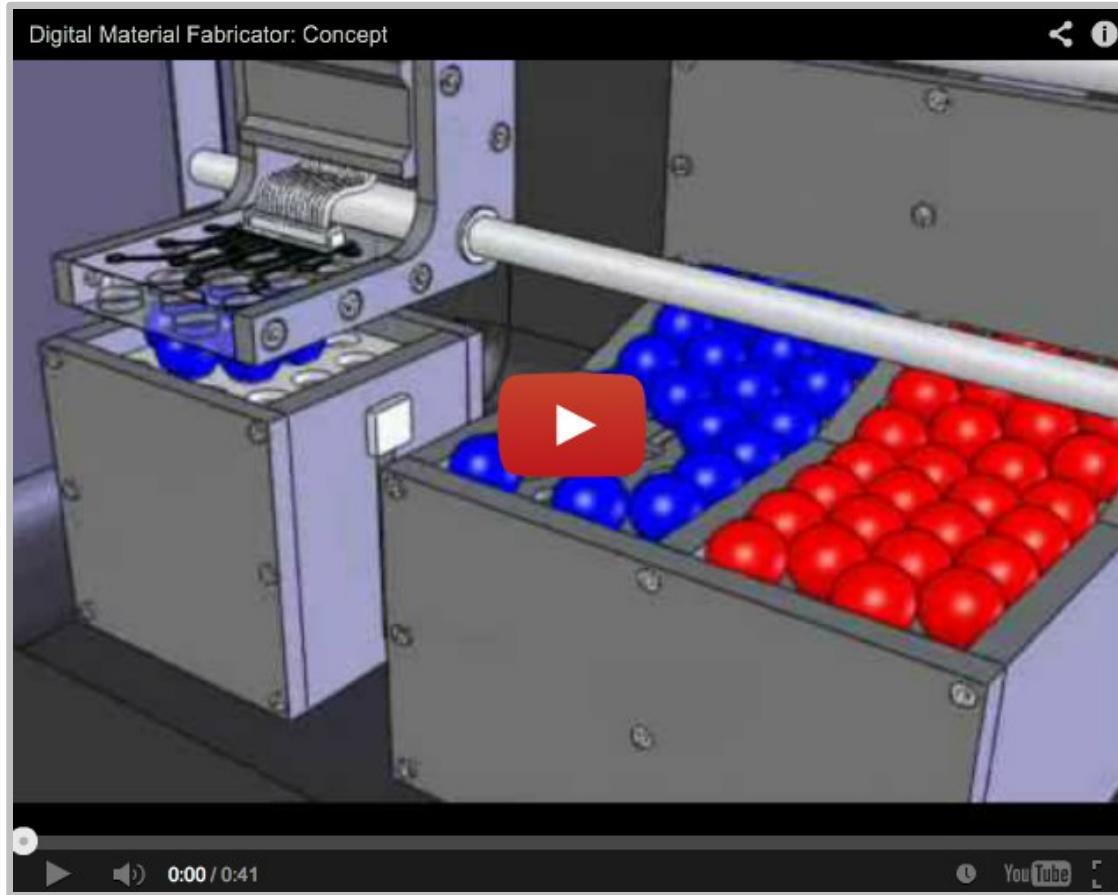
Fab.03: Materials with embedded code



North Carolina State University: a simple way to convert two-dimensional patterns into three-dimensional (3-D) objects using only light.

Source: <http://news.ncsu.edu/releases/wmsdickeyfolding/>
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NKRWZG67dtQ>

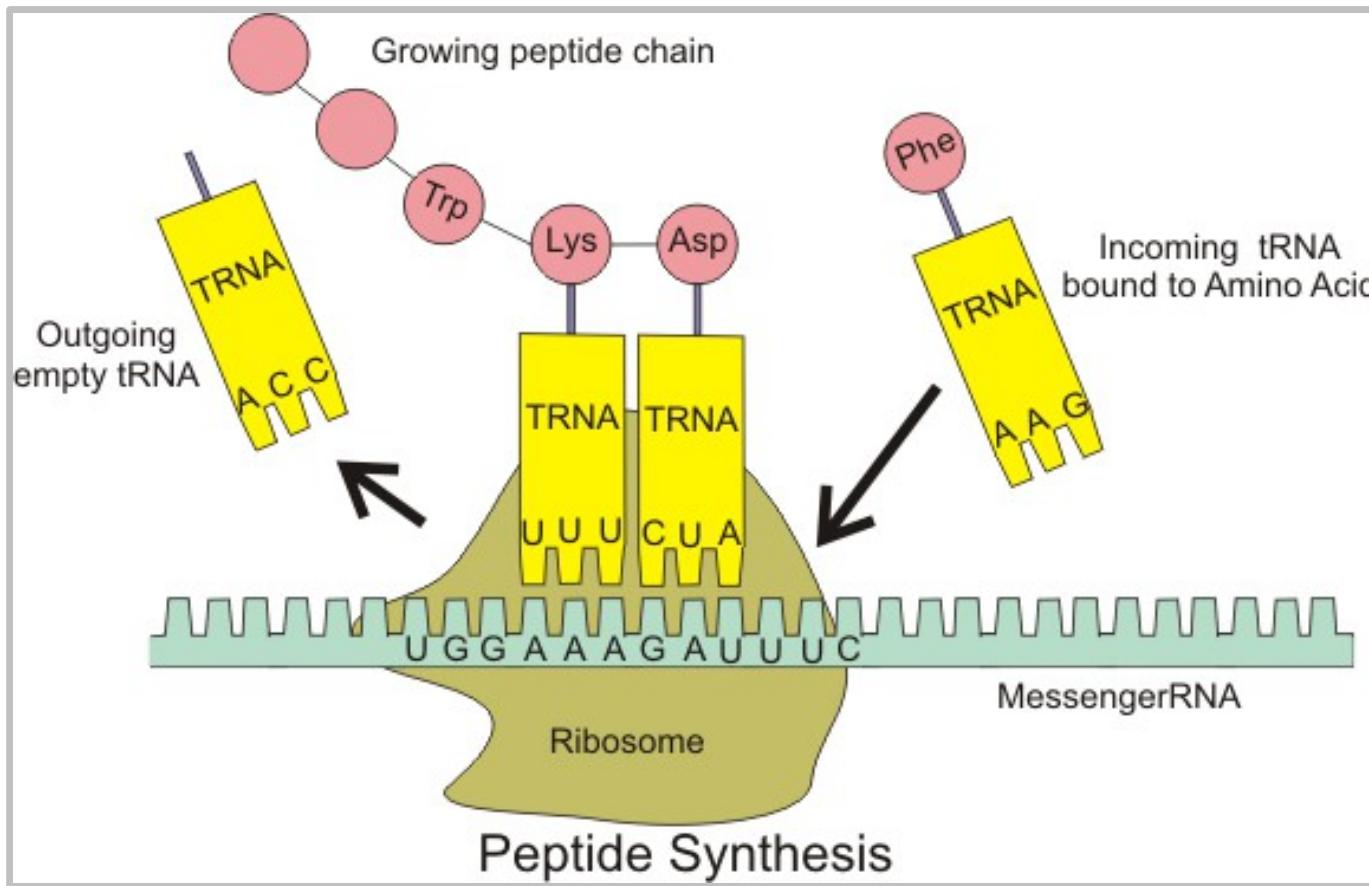
Fab.03: Voxels + Digital Material Fabricator



In the digital domain, a 3D object is composed voxels. Each voxel location is occupied (1) or not (0), so 3D space is digital (discrete) not analog (continuous).

Source: http://creativemachines.cornell.edu/Rapid_Assembler
<http://youtu.be/-szjhVMGh4>

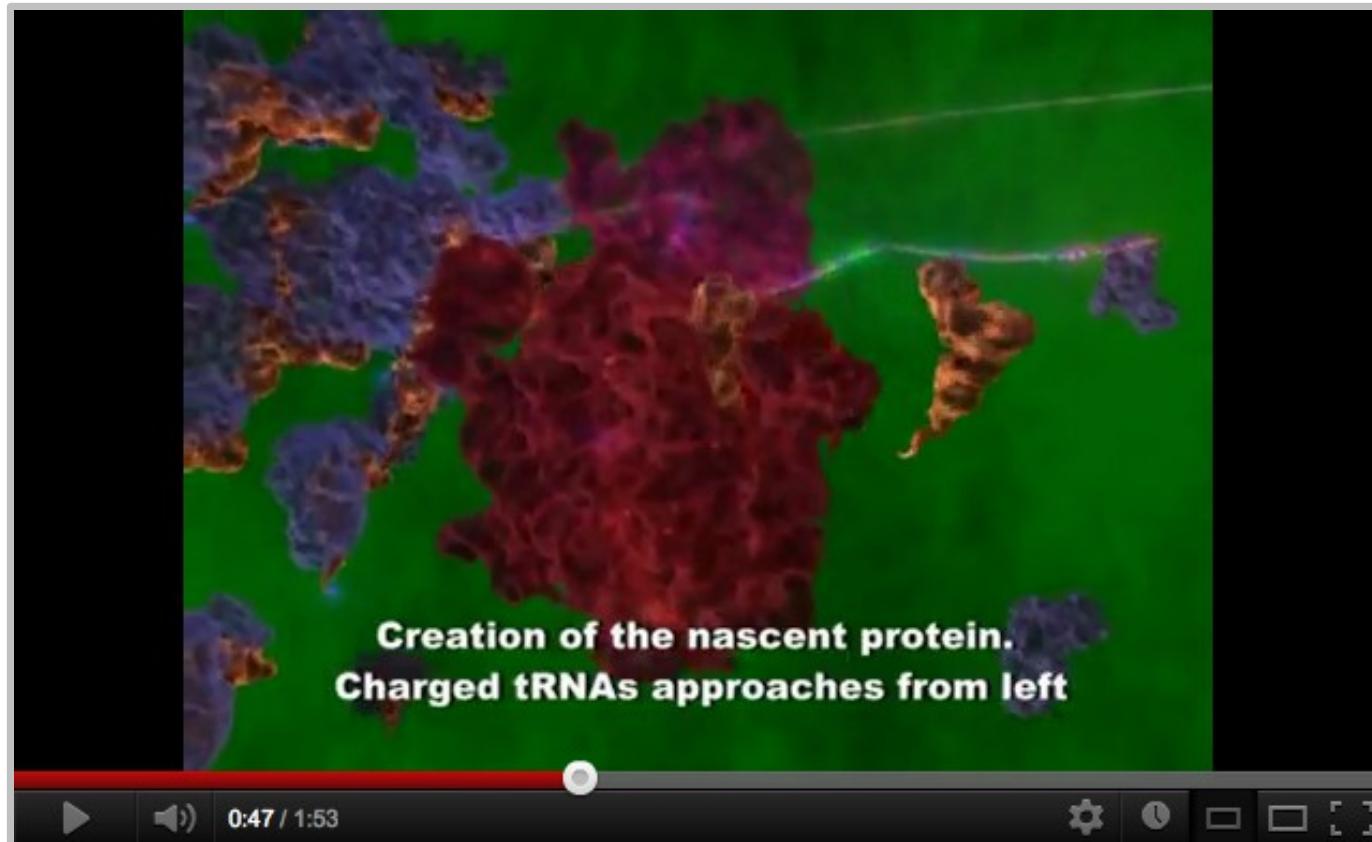
Fab.04: Materials with embedded program



Materials that have code, data and programs
for self-manufacturing / auto-assembly.

Source: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ribosome>

Fab.04: Materials with embedded program



Materials that have code, data and programs
for self-manufacturing / auto-assembly.

Source: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jml8CFBwcds>
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1PSwhTGFmxs>

Fab.04: Materials with embedded program



Materials that have code, data and programs
for self-manufacturing / auto-assembly.

Source: http://www.ted.com/talks/skylar_tibbits_can_we_make_things_that_make_themselves.html
<http://youtu.be/emW1TQ290ec?t=2m10s> <http://www.sjet.us/SJET-MIT.html>

Fab.04: Materials with embedded program



Materials that have code, data and programs
for self-manufacturing / auto-assembly.

Source: <http://www.fastcompany.com/3006145/mits-new-self-assembly-lab-building-paradigm-shift-4-d-manufacturing>

Fab.04: coming to the Design world, soon

Training Bacteria To Grow Consumer Goods

By Christopher Mims

Thinkers at IDEO are working with scientists to find a way to have E. coli bacteria form objects--like a coffee cup--when exposed to light. It's nature's version of 3-D printing.



Even IDEO is already researching how to manufacture products starting from bacteria that create shapes through self-organization.

Source: <http://www.fastcompany.com/biomimicry/training-bacteria-to-grow-consumer-goods>

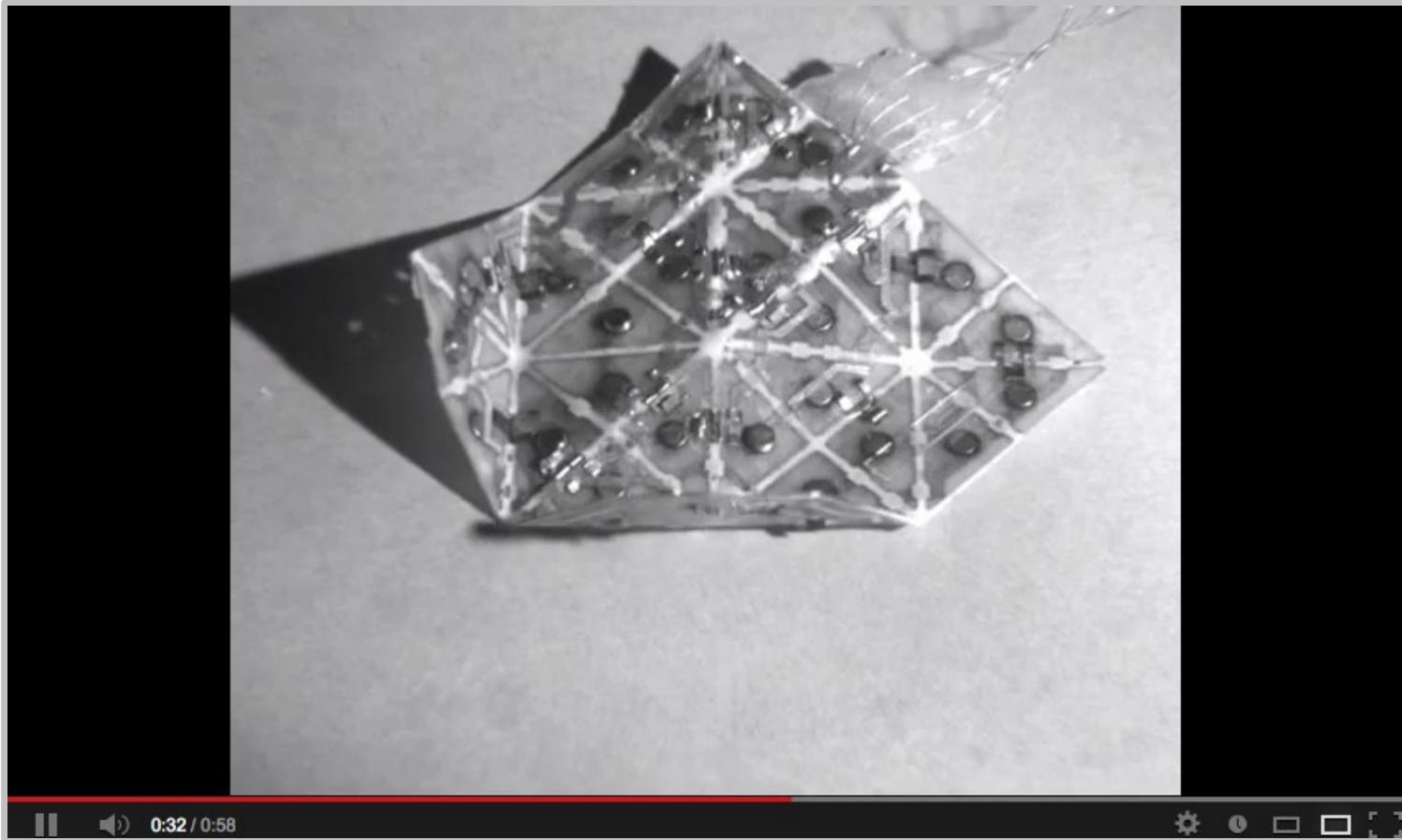
Fab.04: coming to the Design world, soon



[...] spreading a pattern on a responsive material to control how it deforms when exposed to a stimulus [...]

Source: <http://www.newscientist.com/blogs/nstv/2012/03/plant-mimicking-gel-could-morph-into-any-3d-shape.html>
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J7MyjOTynK0>

Fab.04: Programmable Matter



Researchers at Harvard and MIT have reshaped the landscape of programmable matter by devising self-folding sheets that rely on the ancient art of origami.

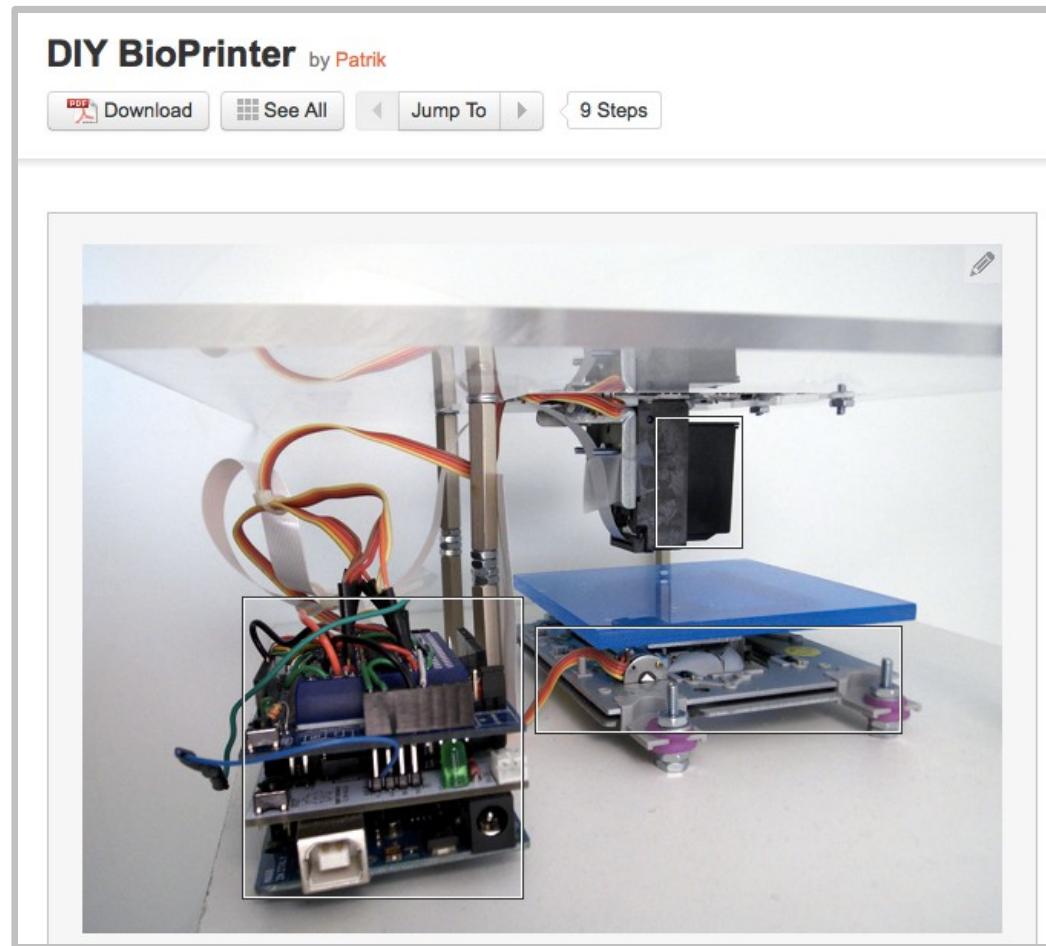
Source: <http://news.harvard.edu/gazette/story/2010/06/shape-shifting-sheets-automatically-fold-into-multiple-shapes/>
<http://youtu.be/Pg8VAVWkz3k>

Fab.04: DNA bricks



Complex 3D structures by using short synthetic DNA strands (“DNA bricks”). Bricks with hundreds of distinct sequences self-assemble into prescribed 3D shapes.

Fabbing: not just learning from biology...



A new bioprinter developed at a hackerspace can print living cells for less than the cost of an iPod touch.

Source: <http://www.instructables.com/id/DIY-BioPrinter/>
<http://www.wired.com/design/2013/01/diy-bio-printer/>

But coming back to Fab 1.0 / 2.0 in 2012



Laser cutting



CNC milling



Vinyl cutter



3D Scanner



3D printing



Digital sewing /
embroidery
machine



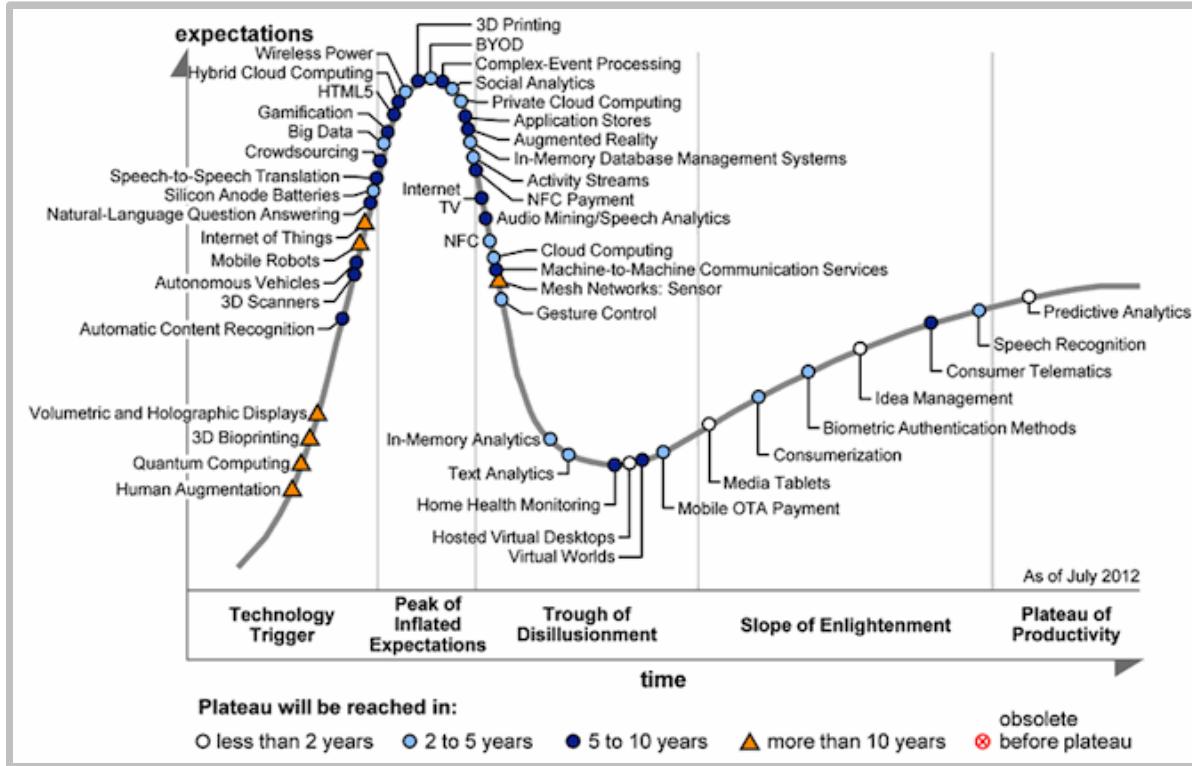
CNC milling



Electronics

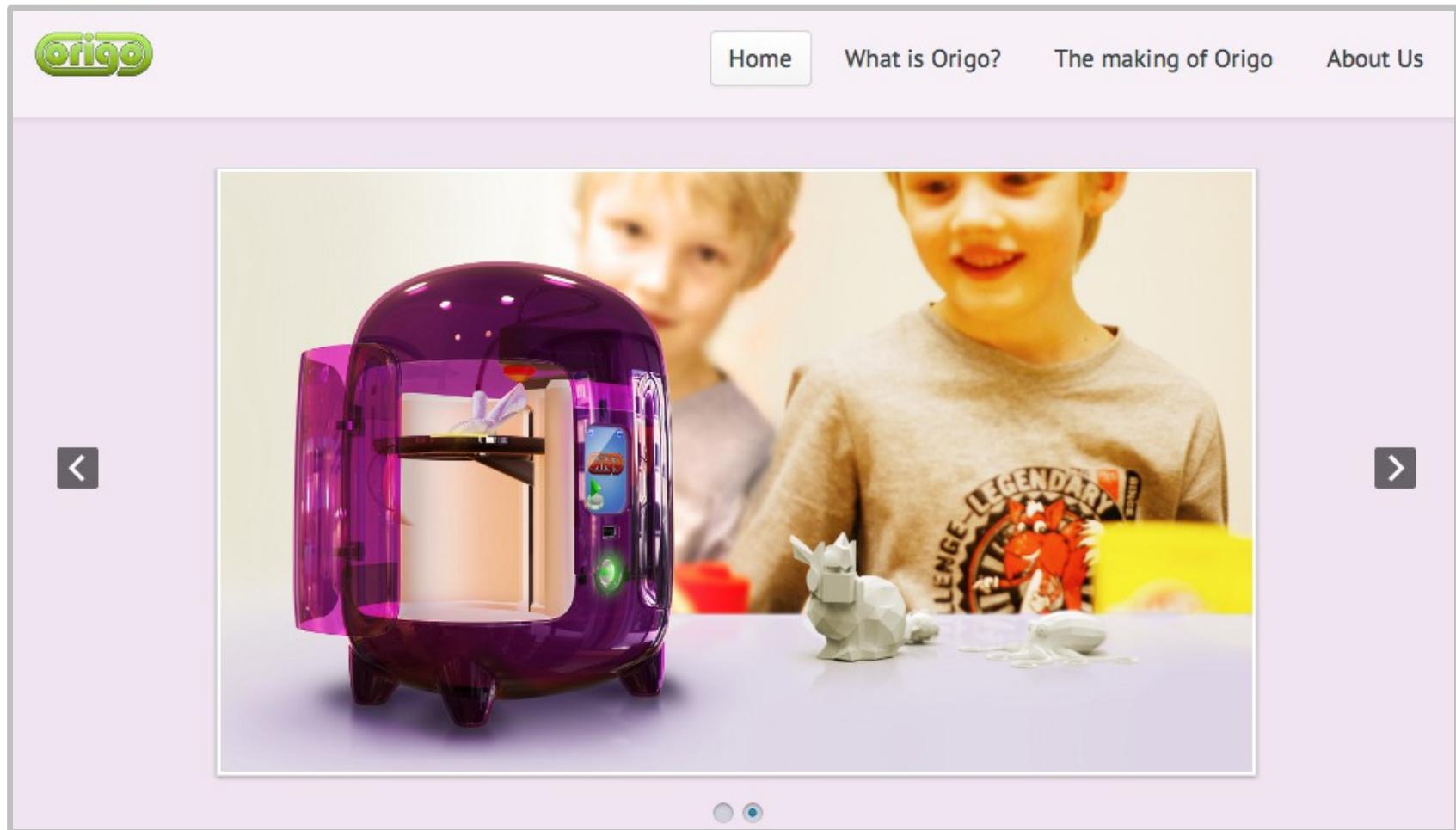
This is what you usually can find in a FabLab, at the moment.

At the peak of enthusiasm, far from productivity



3D Printing has been steadily climbing to the peak of 'Inflated Expectations' over the past few years and now sits on top, poised for the drop.

Democratization of Digital Fabrication

A screenshot of the Origo website. At the top left is the Origo logo. To its right are four navigation links: "Home" (which is highlighted), "What is Origo?", "The making of Origo", and "About Us". Below the navigation is a large image of a purple 3D printer standing on a table. Two young boys are visible behind the table; one is smiling at the camera while the other looks slightly away. On the table next to the printer is a small white 3D-printed unicorn figurine. A yellow folder or piece of paper is also on the table. Navigation arrows ("<" and ">") are located on either side of the main image, and two small circular progress indicators are at the bottom center.

“Hello, I am Origo. I am a 3D printer for ten year olds.”

Source: <http://www.origo3dprinting.com/>

... and Digital Fabrication became famous



Digital Fabrication / distributed manufacturing as a
viable tool / strategy for business.

Source: http://www.wired.com/magazine/2010/01/ff_newrevolution/
<http://econ.st/tnr97E>

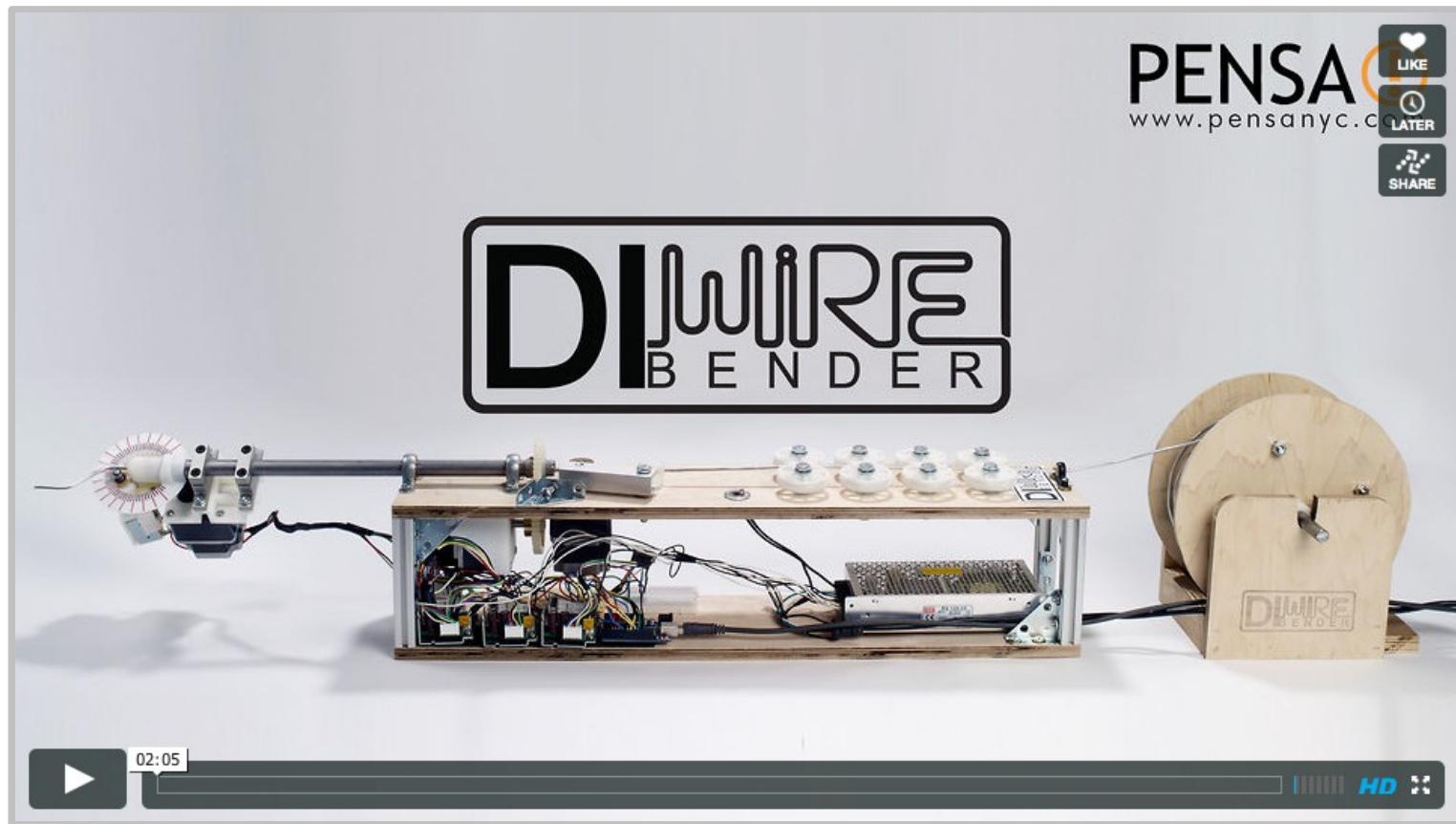
And build your own machine...



Not only cutting and printing, also weaving...

Source: <http://www.fastcodesign.com/1669627/holy-crap-this-mit-robot-might-one-day-weave-a-building>
<http://youtu.be/JgeFLGfvEM>

And build your own machine...



Not only cutting and printing, also bending...

Source: http://www.core77.com/blog/digital_fabrication/add_pensas_diwire_bender_to_your_diyer_arsenal_22383.asp
<http://vimeo.com/41425580>

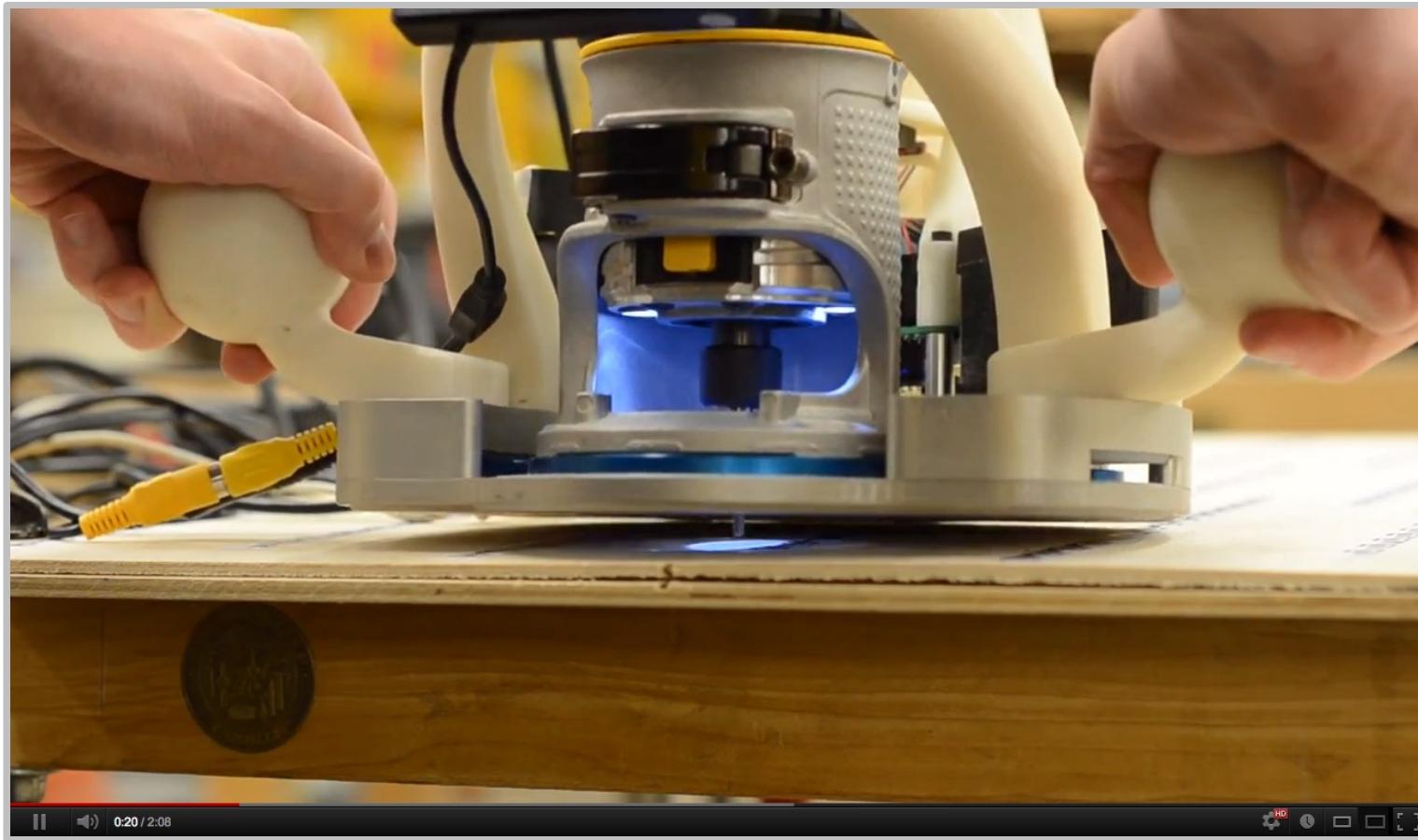
... between digital and hand work...



HAPTIC INTELLIGENTSIA is a human 3D printing machine that allows the user to tactually perceive the virtual object and to directly transform it into the physical.

Source: <http://www.fastcodesign.com/1665529/a-hybrid-machine-joins-3-d-printing-and-human-handicraft-video#3>
<http://vimeo.com/32538081>

... between digital and hand work...



A frame and a tool: the frame is positioned manually by the user and can adjust the position of the tool to correct for error in the user's coarse positioning.

Source: <http://www.alecrollers.com/positioncorrectingtools/>
<http://youtu.be/-UmL7xZSUK>



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02.

FabLabs: spaces for collaborative use of digital fabrication technologies

A space that democratizes digital fabrication



Exploring collaboratively the interactions between bits and atoms, rather than making (almost) anything...

Source: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/protospace/5199454304/>

Conditions for being a FabLab

Conditions:

- * **public access** to the fab lab
- * **support and subscribe** to the fab lab charter
- * **share a common set** of tools and processes
- * **participate** in the global fab lab network (no isolation)

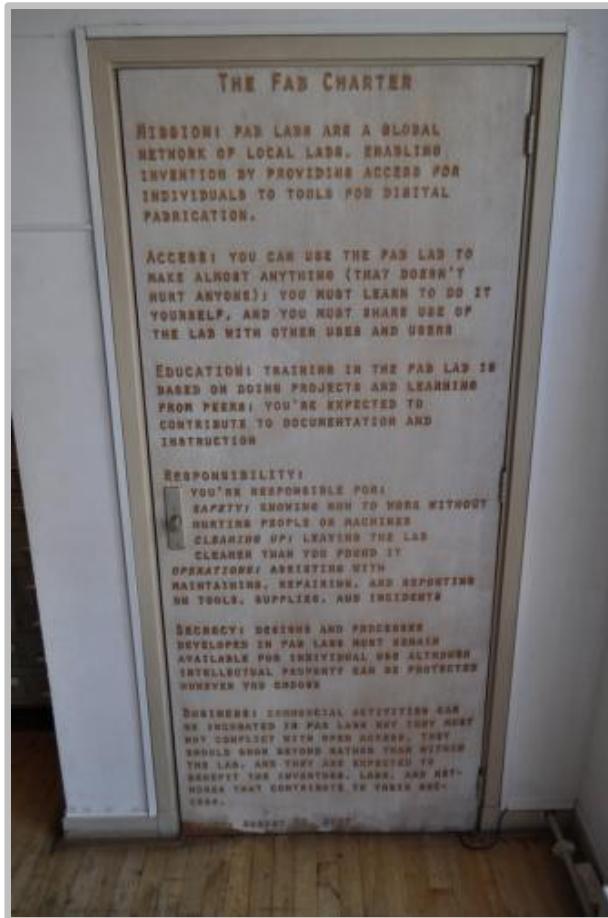
The **Fab Lab conformity rating** is a code that describes how closely a lab meets the conditions for use of the Fab Lab label. It is a quick summary of the lab "now", can change over time. The conformity rating is self-assessed or community-assessed.

Fab Charter

- * **Mission:** fab labs are a global network of local labs, enabling invention by providing access for individuals to tools for digital fabrication.
- * **Access:** you can use the fab lab to make almost anything (that doesn't hurt anyone); you must learn to do it yourself, and you must share use of the lab with other users and users
- * **Education:** training in the fab lab is based on doing projects and learning from peers; you're expected to contribute to documentation and instruction
- * **Responsibility:** you're responsible for:
 - * safety: knowing how to work without hurting people or machines
 - * cleaning up: leaving the lab cleaner than you found it
 - * operations: assisting with maintaining, repairing, and reporting on tools, supplies, and incidents
- * **Secrecy:** designs and processes developed in fab labs must remain available for individual use although intellectual property can be protected however you choose
- * **Business:** commercial activities can be incubated in fab labs but they must not conflict with open access, they should grow beyond rather than within the lab, and they are expected to benefit the inventors, labs, and networks that contribute to their success.

August 30, 2007

Fab Charter (Amsterdam, Netherlands)



The Fab Charter is always visible in a FabLab

FabN : the yearly meeting



CONFERENCE

- Profile
- Programme
- Symposium

CONTENT

- Workshops
- Speakers
- Supporters

INFO

- Travel
- Accommodation
- Wellington

FAB LAB

- The Lab
- Facilities
- Access

Profile

FAB8NZ is the 2012 incarnation of the annual international Fab Lab event which gathers field practitioners and laboratory researchers from the Fab Lab network and beyond, for a week of hands-on workshops and a one day academic symposium on the principles and applications of digital fabrication.

FAB8NZ will be hosted by The College of Creative Arts at Massey University, in conjunction with the Centre for Bits and Atoms at MIT, The Fab Lab Network and the Affect Research Centre, from 22-28 August in Wellington, New Zealand.

Every year in August in a different country:
this year New Zealand, next year Japan.

Source: <http://www.fab8nz.com/>

Fab Academy

APPLICATION FORM CONTACT FACULTY METHODOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS VIDEOGALLERY WHAT IT IS? [f](#) [t](#) [y](#) [r](#)



FABACADEMY

PRINCIPLES, APPLICATIONS AND IMPLICATIONS OF DIGITAL FABRICATION



GRADUATION AT FAB CONFERENCE EVERY YEAR

The Fab Academy began as an outreach project from the CBA, and has since spread to Fab Labs around the world.

Source: <http://fabacademy.org/>

The International Fab Lab Association

The International Fab Lab Association
The public window to the international Fab Lab community.



Home

Fab Association
Why we are here
Who we are
Our board
What we want
How to join

Fab Lab

Where does it come from
What is it in essence
The Fab Charter
Where are they located
How to start one

Fab Ecosystem

Newsroom
News
Upcoming Events
Newsletters
Blog

Resources

Reading and watching
Past events

Members area

Home



Image by Frost Gislason, 2010

Welcome to the International Fab Lab Association

Fab Lab International is an association of individuals interested in and/or involved in the Fab Lab community. It is a democratic organization run by its members. Their general meeting elects a board which handles the daily business.

On the 4th of July 2011, the International Fab Lab Association was established. It is an association with members, a Board and an Academic Council, etc.

Source: <http://fablabinternational.org/>
<http://fablabinternational.blogspot.com/>

Fab Lab Amsterdam (Netherlands)



Fablab Amsterdam is hosted by Waag Society, a non profit organisation active in the field of social innovation through creative technology.

Source: <http://fablab.waag.org/>
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/37873897@N06/4973326149/>

Mini Fab Lab (Utrecht, Netherlands)



A FabLab in your room for 3500 €.

Source: <http://www.minifablab.nl/>

Mobile Fab Lab



In USA, Europe, South Africa...

Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mobile_fab_lab

Fab Lab Afghanistan (Jalalabad, Afghanistan)



Not only in USA or Europe ...

Source: <http://www.fablab.af/>

Fab Lab Afghanistan: FabFi, a project



An open-source, FabLab-grown system using common building materials and off-the-shelf electronics to transmit wireless ethernet signals.

Source: <http://fabfi.fabfolk.com/>

FabLab Barcelona (Spain)



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Fab Lab Barcelona website. At the top left is the logo, which consists of three stylized human figures in red, green, and blue forming a circle. To the right of the logo is the text "FAB LAB BARCELONA" in large, bold, sans-serif letters. On the far right is the IAAC logo, featuring the letters "Iaac" in a large, bold, black font, with "Institute for advanced architecture of Catalonia" in smaller text below it. Below the main title is a navigation bar with links: HOME (highlighted in grey), EL FAB LAB, EQUIPAMIENTO, SERVICIOS, VIDEOS, GALERIA, CONTACTO, MACHINE RESERVATION, and WIKI. A date banner at the top says "THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 22ND 2011". To the right of the banner is a search bar with a magnifying glass icon. The main content area features a large image of a exhibition booth with various displays and people looking at them. A caption below the image reads "Thursday, August 25, 2011" and "Muestra Fab Products en el Fab7 > Concurso de innovacion en el Fab Lab Bcn". To the right of the main content are three "Featured" news items with thumbnail images and descriptions:

- Fab 7 – Lima (Peru). Séptima conferencia mundial de Fab Labs.**
Cada verano, la red mundial de Fab Labs se reúne de manera "física" en un lugar del mundo para discutir [Read More]
- UNIBE workshop > Fabricacion Digital en el Caribe**
El taller UNIBE workshop tuvo lugar en el Fab Lab Barcelona del 26 al 30 de Abril. 14 estudiantes de primer año de [Read More]
- GREEN FAB LAB Project presentation at Valldaura**
Last Friday the IAAC community launched the new project for the upcoming years. The GREEN FAB LAB will be a research, [Read More]

From the Institute for Advanced Architecture
of Catalonia (IAAC).

Source: <http://fablabbcn.org/>

FabLab Barcelona: FabLab House, a project



**FabLab
House**

info@fablabhouse.com

IAAC | MIT's CBA | Fab Lab



"Una casa solar debe fabricarse con un material solar, como la madera."



Salvador Rueda, ecólogo Director de

The Fab Lab House is a self-sufficient dwelling produced to take part in the Solar Decathlon Europe 2010.

Source: <http://www.fablabhouse.com/>

A FabLab and its local context



A city with a long tradition of organic / generative architecture and experimental building technologies.

Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Casa_Batllo

Green FabLab Barcelona

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Green FabLab website. At the top is the logo "GREENFABL" with a stylized globe icon. Below it is a banner with the text "Naturaleza, Tecnología y Energía." and "Parc de Collserola, Barcelona". To the right is a date "March 24, 2010". A large landscape photograph of a mountainous area with a building in the foreground is displayed. Below the banner is a map showing a network of roads and paths. On the right side of the page are several logos: "GOBIERNO DE ESPAÑA", "MINISTERIO DE INDUSTRIA, TURISMO Y COMERCIO", "plan avanza", "Un proyecto de Iaac Instituto de arquitectura avanzada de Cataluña", "Con el apoyo de THE CENTER FOR BITS AND ATOMS Massachusetts Institute of Technology", and "B ECOLOGIA N".

A fablab that researches sustainable technologies with and for digital fabrication.

Source: <http://greenfablab.org/>

The future: Barcelona FabCity



“Toni Vives [...], Head of the Department the Urban Habitat in the Office of the Mayor of Barcelona and member of the IAAC Board of Directors, presented the city’s plan to become a “Fab City” with multiple Fab Labs in neighborhoods around Barcelona.”

Source: <http://www.iaacblog.com/blog/2011/iaac-at-fab-7-in-lima-peru/>

Fab Lab Brand: no trademark



So far, and except some countries (Netherlands) where
is managed by the local association.

Source: <http://fab.cba.mit.edu/about/logos/index.html>

Fab Lab and Brand: a possible strategy?



Do you recognize this brand? It tried to open a FabLab in Madrid to show how it cares about creativity.

Source: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/journal-du-design/3895643669/>

Absolut Lab (Madrid, Spain)



A huge FabLab sponsored by Absolut Vodka, that was closed few months after its opening...

Source:<http://www.franciscosegarra.com/absolut-lab-proyecto-interiorismo/>



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03.

FabLabs and Fabbing: applications and examples

A space for DIY projects



The first value offer is a space for people to develop (and learn) their own projects.

Source: Scott Beale / Laughing Squid <http://laughingsquid.com>
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/laughingsquid/133324021/>

No idea for a project? Hack one!



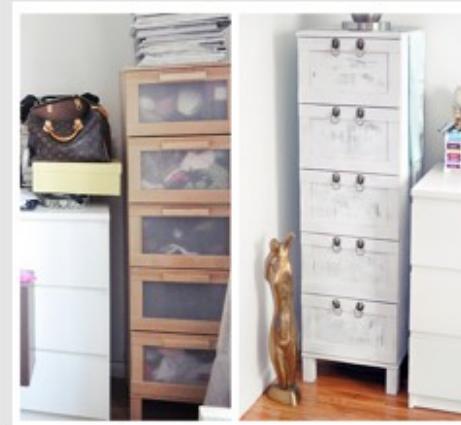
The screenshot shows the IKEA Hackers website. The logo "IKEA HACKERS" is displayed, with "IKEA" in yellow and "HACKERS" in blue. To the right of the logo is a cartoon illustration of a person holding a wrench, standing next to a lightbulb that is glowing. Below the logo is a navigation bar with four items: "Home", "About", "Start here", and "Post a hack".



Mirrored luxe



Extendable bedside lamp



Aneboda chest makeover

IKEA products are cheap enough, there are many options and components that can be reused.

Source: <http://www.ikeahackers.net/>

Generative Design

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vessel pendant and spiral bracelet model photography by Natalia Borecka

featured products

SILVER VESSEL \$275.00
PENDANT

HIVE TRIVET \$12.00

Generative Design projects need digital fabrication technologies for being manufactured.

Source: <http://www.n-e-r-v-o-u-s.com/>

Physical Data Visualization

// MICROSONIC LANDSCAPES

An algorithmic exploration of the music we love. Each album's soundwave proposes a new spatial and unique journey by transforming sound into matter/space: the hidden into something visible.



// ARVO PÄRT
Für Alina



// THIRD
PortisHead



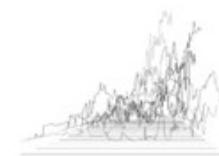
// ANOTHER WORLD
Antony & the Johnsons



// PINK MOON
Nick Drake



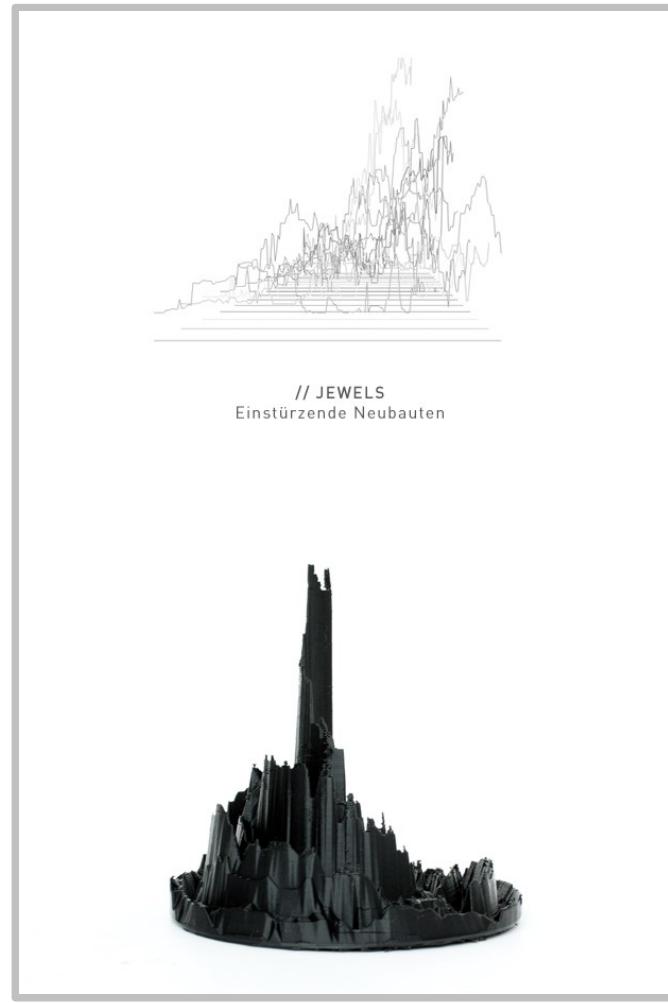
// JEWELS
Einstürzende Neubauten



Digital Fabrication can be used for rendering visible and physical intangible data and concepts.

Source: <http://www.realitat.com/microsonic/>

Physical Data Visualization



Digital Fabrication can be used for rendering visible and physical intangible data and concepts.

Source: <http://www.realitat.com/microsonic/>

Mass Customization



Mass customization can be enabled in an easier way with digital fabrication technologies (and places for interacting with customers).

Source: <http://nikeid.nike.com/nikeid/>

Custom Prosthetics



Building customized prosthetics, at home!

Source: <http://youtu.be/WoZ2BgPVtAO>

http://www.core77.com/blog/digital_fabrication/wrex_3d_printed_magic_arms_and_the_future_of_pediatric_prosthetics_23101.asp

Custom Low-cost Prosthetics

The
Low Cost
Prosthesis

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Elements of the Low Cost Prothesis

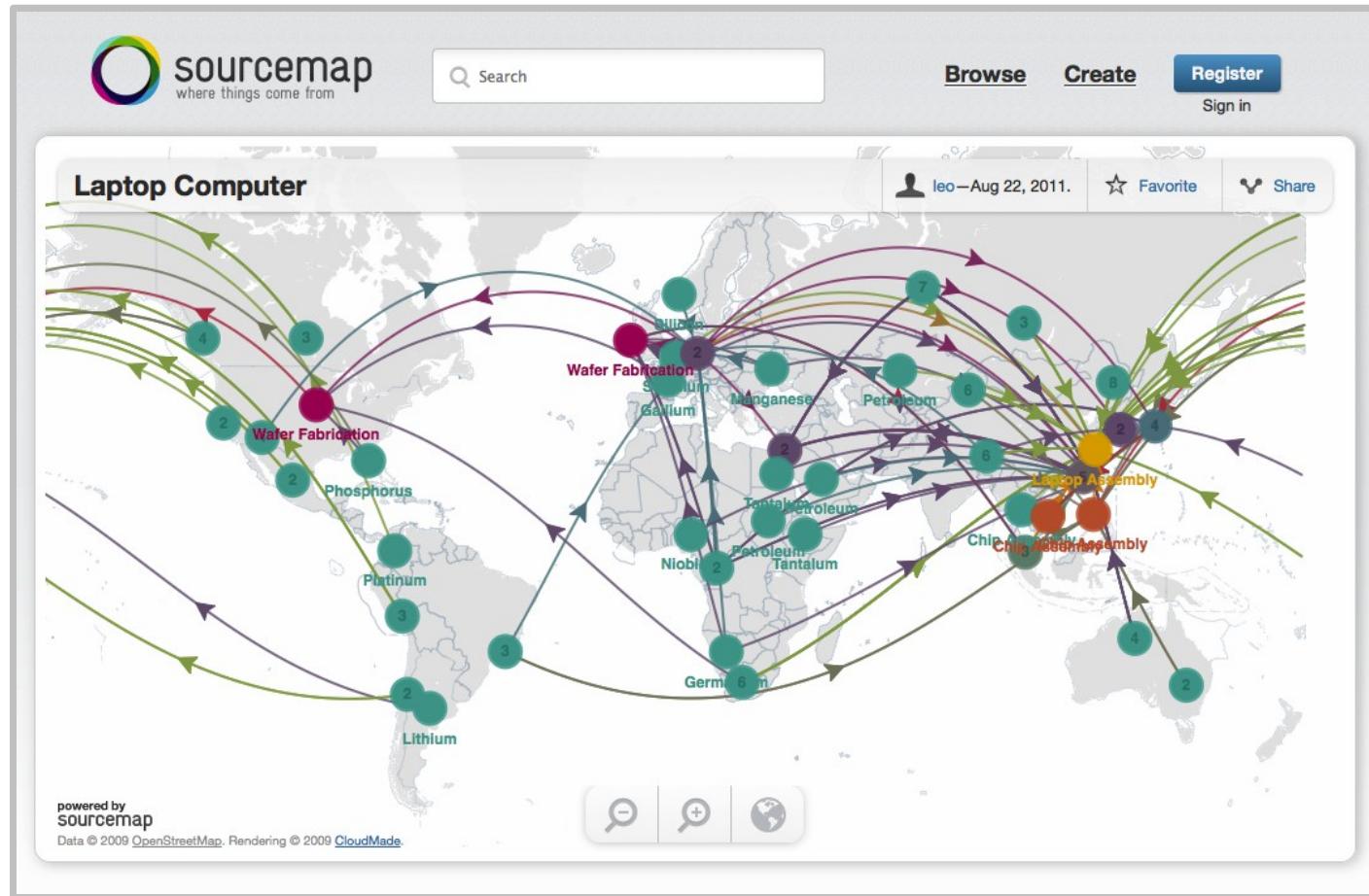
... ● ● ● ...

The Low Cost Prosthesis project aims at developing a lower leg prosthetic with production costs below \$50. An important cause, because the need for prostheses is growing and the costs are often high. Due to the increasing rate of amputations, there is an ever-growing demand for prosthetic limbs.

Building low-cost customized prosthetics, at home, from FabLab Amsterdam.

Source: <http://www.lowcostprosthesis.org/>

Shorter and more sustainable supply chains



Visualizing and redesigning supply chains,
through open source and open data software.

Source: <http://www.sourcemap.com>

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The rise of 3D printed weapons, but you cannot build them in a FabLab (it's against the Fab Charter).

Source: <http://defensedistributed.com/>

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Looks Could Kill: Using 3-D Printers to Design Guns

BY JOSEPH FLAHERTY [✉](#) 08.10.12 7:45 AM

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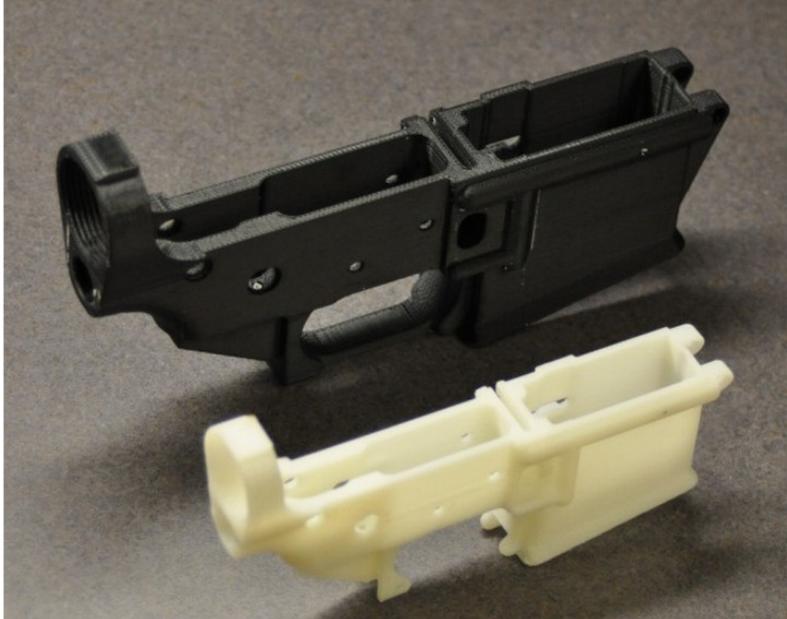
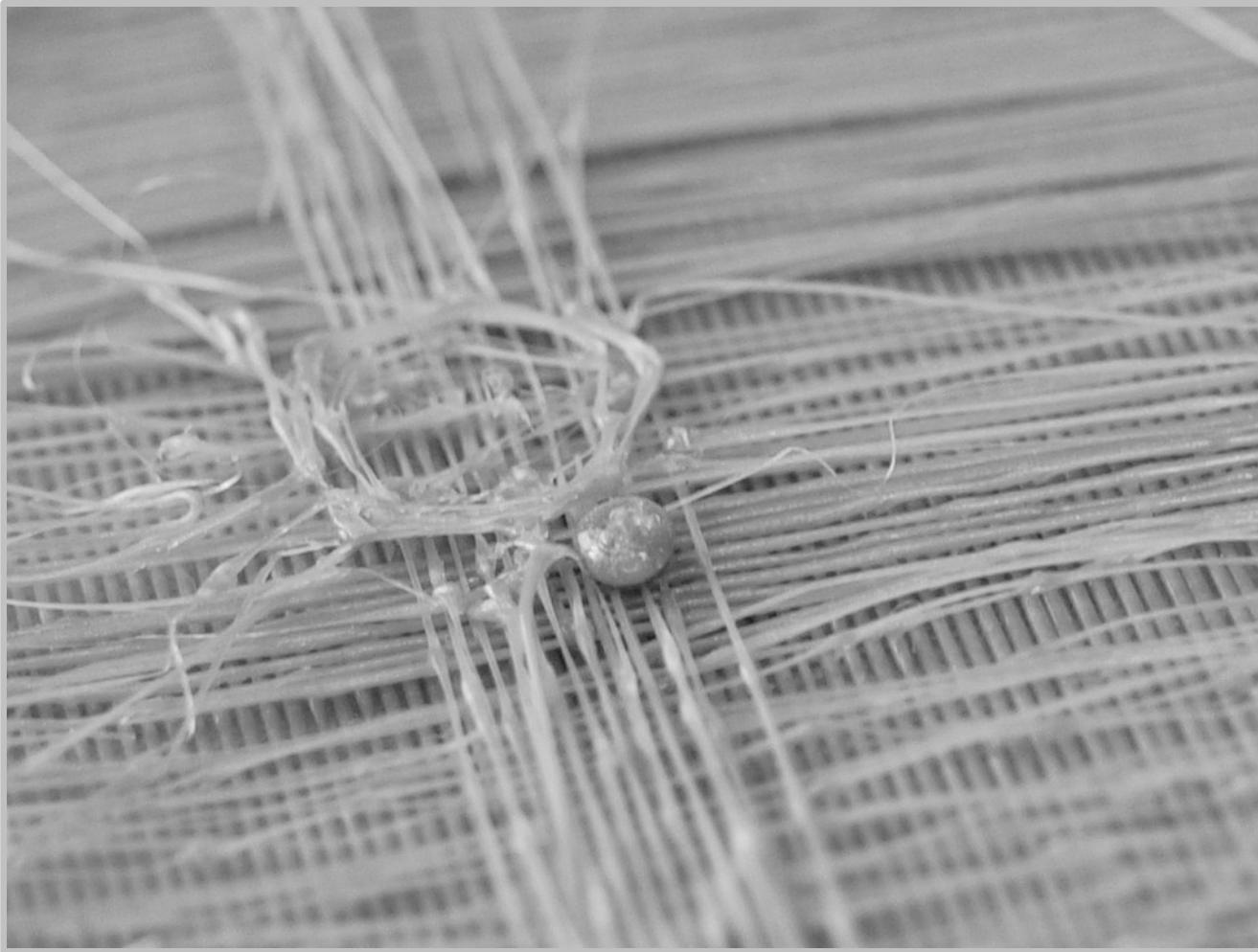


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Source: <http://www.wired.com/dangerroom/2012/08/3d-weapons/>
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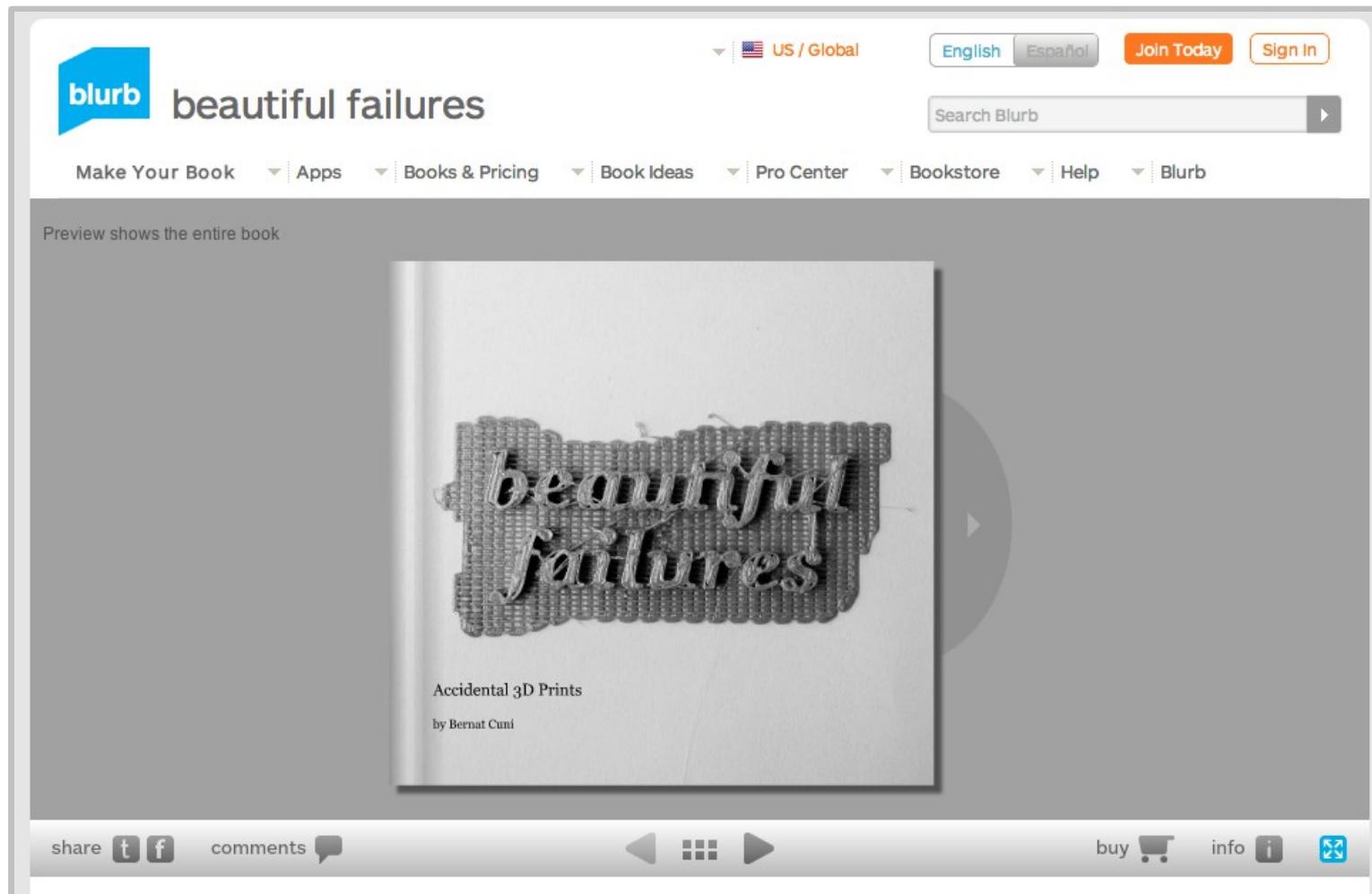
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Digital Fabrication can be used in different media: book of failed 3D prints.

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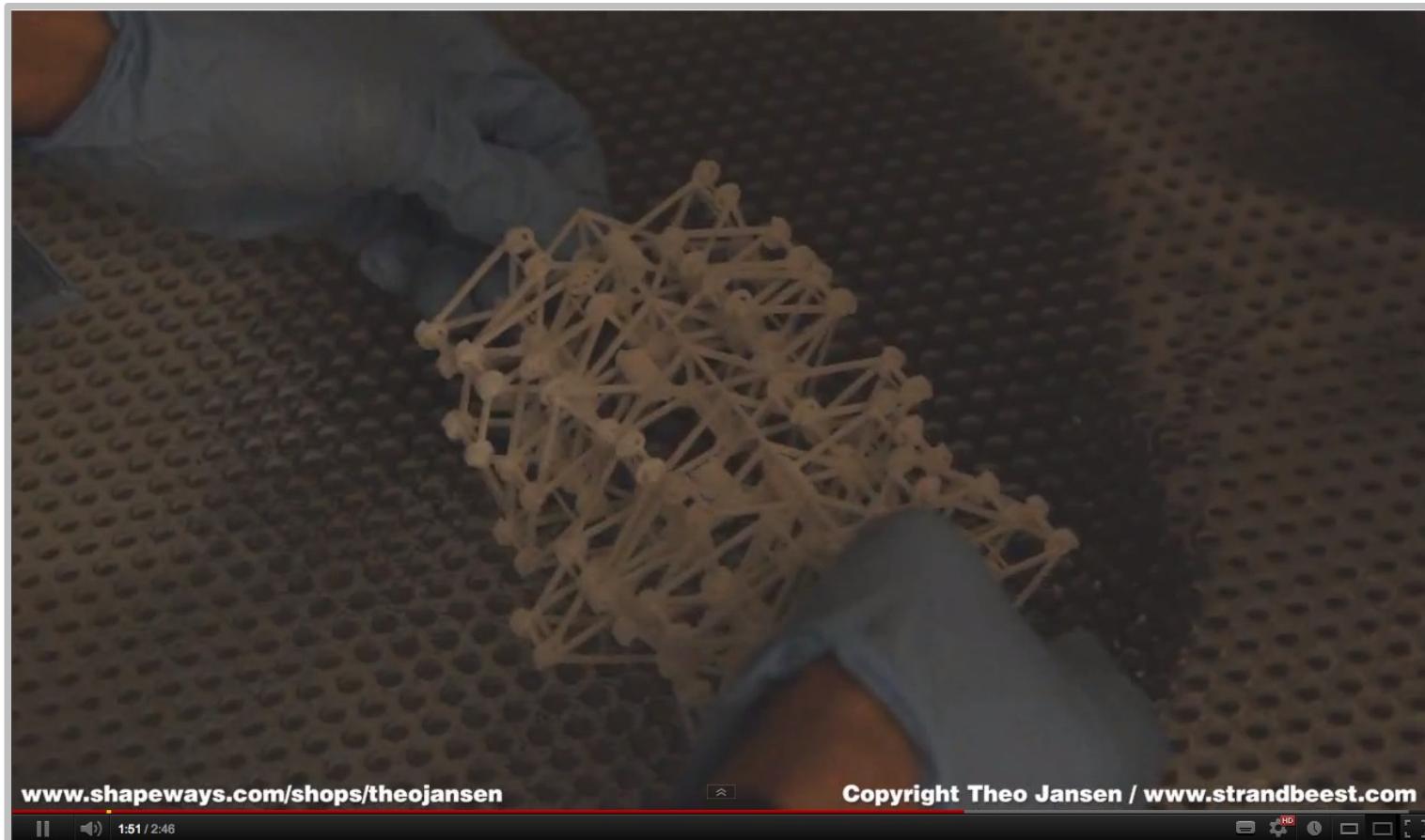
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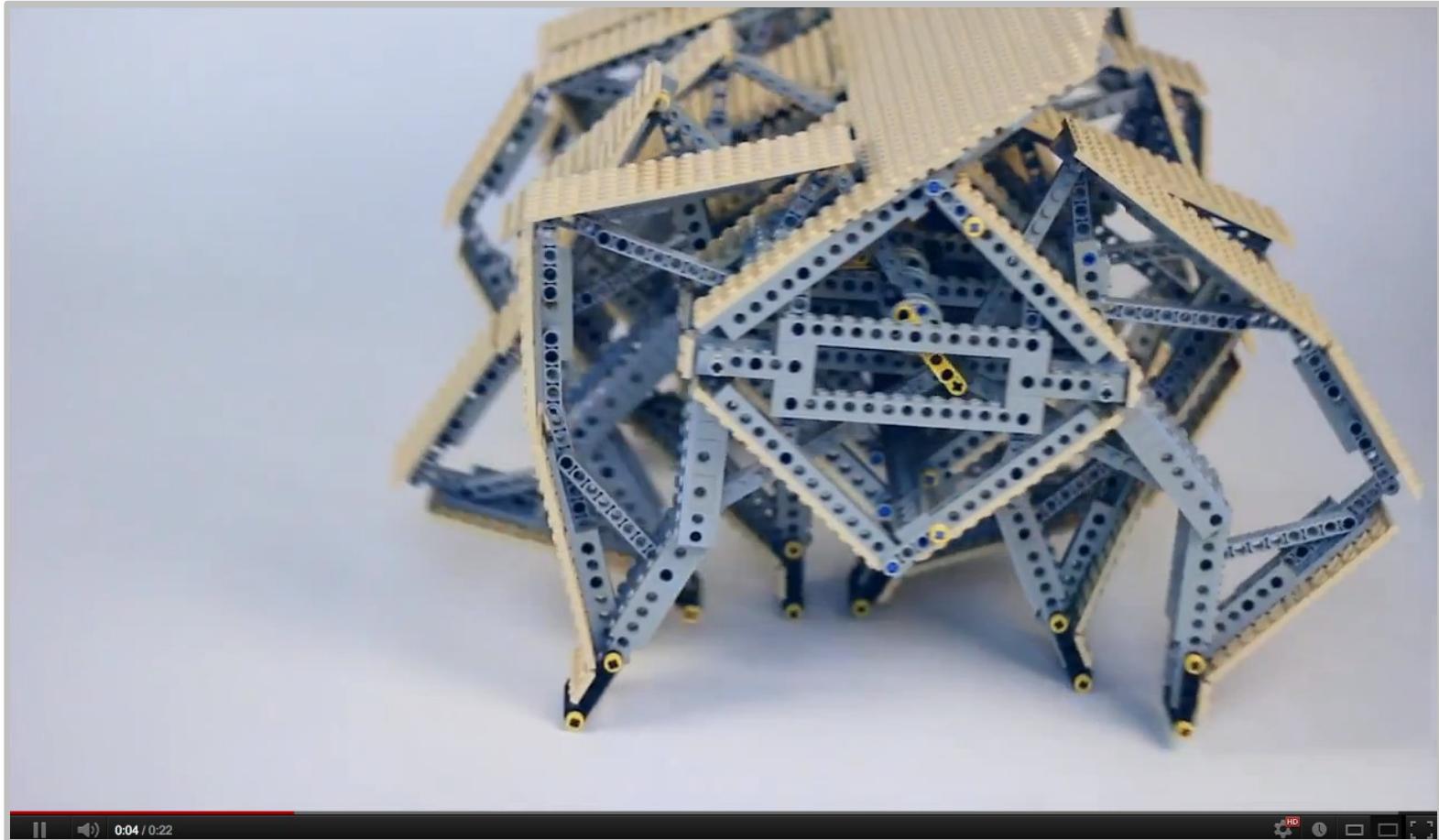
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Other spaces and services: making digital fabrication even more accessible

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List of Hacker Spaces

This is a comprehensive, user-maintained list of all active hackerspaces throughout the world.

We have also a [list of planned Hacker Spaces](#), as well as a [list of ALL hackerspaces](#) around the globe - including those still in bu



If we're missing your space, or you want and/or are about to create a new one, please [add yourself](#) to the list.

hackerspace	Country	State	City	Website
BAH	Argentina	Buenos Aires	Capital Federal	http://www.hackerspace.com.ar
Toylab	Argentina	Buenos Aires	Capital Federal	http://toylab.wordpress.com/
MatesLab	Argentina	Buenos Aires	Mar del Plata	http://www.mateslab.com.ar

Hackerspaces are open community labs with machine shops, workshops and/or studios where hackers can share resources and knowledge.

Source: http://hackerspaces.org/wiki/List_of_Hacker_Spaces

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Sunnuntaina 6.5. Ommeltavan elektroniikan työpaja

Posted on **30.4.2012** by **anacron**

Sunnuntaina 6.5. pidetään Helsinki Hacklabilla ommeltavan elektroniikan työpaja. Alkaen klo 12 osoitteessa: Nilsiänkatu 10 B.

Ohjelmassa on luvassa elektroniikan alkeita ja tarkoituksena on myös omalla johtavaa, joka sitten vilkkuu tai vaikka piipittää. Mukana menossa myös Arduino (+ Lilypad) sekä kooste kiintoisista e-textile projekteista, joita voidaan yhdessä ihmetellä ja ideoida jotain vielä hienompaa...



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The local hackerspace...

Source: <http://helsinki.hacklab.fi/>

Sewing Café

The screenshot shows the homepage of The Sewing Café website. At the top left is the logo featuring a sewing machine icon and the text 'THE SEWING CAFE' with the subtitle 'the social sewing emporium'. To the right are contact details: email 'hello@thesewingcafe.co.uk' and phone 'T: 01455 698034'. Below the logo is a navigation bar with links: Home, Sew by the Hour, Workshops, Sew help me!, Shop at the Sewing Café, About Us, How to get in Touch, and Register. The main content area features several images: a brown tag with the 'THE SEWING CAFE' logo; a wooden tray filled with colorful spools of thread in various colors like yellow, green, blue, orange, red, and pink; a close-up of a piece of fabric with a red rose pattern; and a roll of pink and white floral fabric. A teal circular graphic in the center says 'WELCOME to THE SEWING CAFE'. At the bottom right are social media icons for Flickr, Facebook, and Twitter.

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the social sewing emporium

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VISIT US FOR...

- Sewing Workshops
- Sew by the hour
- Social Sewing
- Sewing Parties
- Inspiration & Advice

Plus a shop full of beautiful fabrics and haberdashery

WELCOME to THE SEWING CAFE

flickr f twitter

A coworking space with sewing and embroidery machine (usually pay per hour)

Source: <http://www.thesewingcafe.co.uk/>

Techshop (USA)

The screenshot shows the TechShop USA website. At the top, there's a banner with the TechShop logo and the tagline "BUILD YOUR DREAMS HERE". To the right of the logo is the slogan "WHAT DO YOU WANT TO MAKE?™". On the far right, there's a "CAREERS" section with a "Click here for more information" link. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with links to Welcome, Membership, Classes, Events, Facilities & Amenities, TechShop Locations (which is highlighted with a blue background), Equipment Reservation, Calendars, Services, Member Project Gallery, FAQs, TechShop News, Contact Us, and Forum. The main content area features a heading "TechShop Locations" followed by a paragraph about available locations. Below this is a bulleted list of TechShop locations with their status: Menlo Park (Open Now), RDU (Open Now), San Francisco (Open Now), San Jose (GRAND OPENING SATURDAY SEPT 24, 10 AM - 6 PM), Detroit (Under Construction Fall 2011), Portland (In Planning), New York (In Planning), and Los Angeles (In Planning). To the right, there are two boxes: one for "UPCOMING EVENTS @ TechShop" featuring the San Jose Grand Opening on September 24, and another for learning Autodesk Inventor for free.

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There are several TechShop locations currently open or opening soon to serve you. Please click on the name of the store you are interested in for more information including address, contact information, and hours of operation:

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- [TechShop RDU](#) (Raleigh NC)
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In Planning
- TechShop Los Angeles (Los Angeles, CA)
In Planning

UPCOMING EVENTS @ TechShop

San Jose

300 South 2nd Street
San Jose, CA 95113



September 24:
TechShop San Jose
Grand Opening!

[Click for More Details](#)

Learn how to use Autodesk Inventor FOR FREE

A network of commercial spaces with many tools and technologies and paid support services (only in USA).

Source: <http://techshop.ws/>

Techshop (USA)

Ford + TechShop: Getting Employees to Tinker

BY JOSEPH FLAHERTY

05.14.12 3:20 PM



CNC router carving the Ford logo at TechShop.

Before he invented the assembly line, Henry Ford built his first prototype on a workbench in a shed. More than a century later, his company has partnered with TechShop, Detroit, the 21st-century equivalent of that shed, with a bold program to ignite innovation in the company.

Ford employees who invent something that the company ends up patenting receive a free three-month membership to TechShop.

Source: <http://www.wired.com/design/2012/05/ford-techshop/>

100k Garages (USA)

The screenshot shows the homepage of 100kGarages.com. At the top left is a 3D illustration of a garage with a person inside. Next to it is the website's logo, "100kGarages.com" in a large, bold, black font inside a white rounded rectangle, with the tagline "connect. collaborate. create." below it. To the right of the logo is a horizontal row of small 3D house icons. In the top right corner, there are links for "sign up or log-in". Below the header is a yellow navigation bar with links for Home, About, Participate, Create/Design, Inspiration, Connect, and a search bar with a "Google Custom Search" button. On the far right of the bar is a "Request Project Bids" button. The main content area features a large image of several colorful, modern wooden furniture pieces (chairs and tables) against a window. Below this image is a text block: "Be inspired. Take a look at these cool creations from 100kGarages users. And sample the work of designers who make their plans available for use. It's all at our [Inspiration gallery](#)." To the right of this text is a circular graphic with a cartoon character, a red heart, and a small table, with the text "100kGarages.com" and "How it Works" around it, and a "learn more" link. Further down on the right is a "created by" section featuring the "ShopBot" logo, and a "our sponsors" section featuring the "Make:" logo.

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Got an idea? Get it made.

100kGarages connects you with Fabbers who can turn your thoughts into things.

100kGarages.com is a place for people who have designs, or just ideas for things they want to make, to connect with digital fabricators ("Fabbers") who can help make these ideas become real.

Our participating Fabbers work with 2-D or 3-D digital fabrication tools to cut, machine, drill, sculpt, or "print" in 3-D. Our "matchmaking" service can help you find a Fabber near you, and it's free. [Learn more and get started.](#)

I have an idea. What's Next?
I need an idea. Show me cool stuff.

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Make:

100kGarages is a place for people who have designs (or just ideas) to connect with digital fabricators ("Fabbers") who can help make these ideas.

Source: <http://100kgarages.com/>

Maker Factory

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Maker Factory website. At the top left is the logo 'MAKER FACTORY' with a stylized orange factory icon. To the right are 'LOGIN' and 'LOGOUT' buttons, and links for 'POST A JOB' and 'FIND A JOB'. Below the header is a photograph of two people working on a geodesic dome made from 3D printed connectors. A caption below the photo reads: 'GEODESIC DOME MADE FROM 3D PRINTED CONNECTORS PRINTED WITH MAKERFACTORY'. To the right of the photo is a text box: 'MAKERFACTORY is a free service for connecting the emerging network of localized fabrication technologies with people like you who need stuff 3d printed, CNC'ed, or otherwise made.' Below this is a yellow button labeled 'REGISTER HERE'. A call-to-action text follows: 'Need something made? Willing to make things for other people? Click here to register for an account. It's totally free!' At the bottom is a world map with a red location pin over North America.

The same service as 100kgarages, but open source ...

Seoul (South Korea)



No FabLabs or similar places, but many small manufacturers that will produce you small-scale series very quickly.

Living Labs (USA, Europa)

European Network of Living Labs

The European Network of Living Labs
– the first step towards a new Innovation System!

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news

ENoLL 6th Wave is open – Join our growing community!

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All organisations public and private from all countries in the world, actively committed to engage and empower users and citizens to take part in sustainable innovation processes, are once again invited to apply for membership in the European Network of Living Labs (ENoLL) as of October 24th, 2011. The announcement was made at the Future Internet Conference in Poznan (Poland).

You can see the session 'User Driven Innovation – Shaping the Future Internet for a Better Society' including the announcement of the 6th Wave here.

[Read more](#)

on the map



A map of Europe with icons indicating the locations of different waves of living labs. The legend shows:

- First Wave Living Labs (light gray circle)
- Second Wave Living Labs (dark gray circle)
- Third Wave Living Labs (red circle)
- Fourth Wave Living Labs (yellow circle)

Icons at the bottom left indicate zoom and search functions.

Spaces for co-designing products and services with users... not necessarily with digital fabrication.

Source: <http://www.openlivinglabs.eu/>

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We Can't Wait: Obama Administration Announces New Public-Private Partnership to Support

Consortium of Businesses, Universities, and Community Colleges from Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania Co-Invest with Federal Government in a Manufacturing Innovation Institute

WASHINGTON, DC – Following through on our We Can't Wait efforts, the Obama Administration today announced the launch of a new public-private institute for manufacturing innovation in Youngstown, Ohio as part of its ongoing efforts to help revitalize American manufacturing and encourage companies to invest in the United States. This new partnership, the National Additive Manufacturing Innovation Institute (NAMII), was selected through a competitive process, led by the Department of Defense, to award an initial \$30 million in federal funding, matched by \$40 million from the winning consortium, which includes manufacturing firms, universities, community colleges, and non-profit organizations from the Ohio-Pennsylvania-West Virginia 'Tech Belt.'



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The institute will ensure that the U.S. manufacturing sector is a key pillar in an enduring and thriving economy.

Anywhere...

DREAM Vendor



A vending machine with 2 3D printers at Virginia Tech's College of Engineering.

Source: <http://youtu.be/c1MhNLGi-5I>

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