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Design and Fabrication of Sinusoidal Parametric Wall

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ABSTRACT

This paper presents a parametric wall design approach for a wall of size 10*60 with plywood panels created using Rhino Grasshopper software. The design process starts with the creation of a parametric model that allows for the easy modification of design parameters such as the thickness and size of the plywood panels.

The Rhino Grasshopper software is used to create a series of scripts that allow for the generation of multiple design iterations. These scripts enable the designer to create complex geometries and patterns across the length of the wall. Through a series of case studies, we demonstrate the potential of this approach for creating complex and efficient wall designs. The results show that the use of parametric design principles and Rhino Grasshopper software can lead to a significant reduction in the design process time, cost, and material usage, while enabling the creation of unique and complex designs.

Introduction

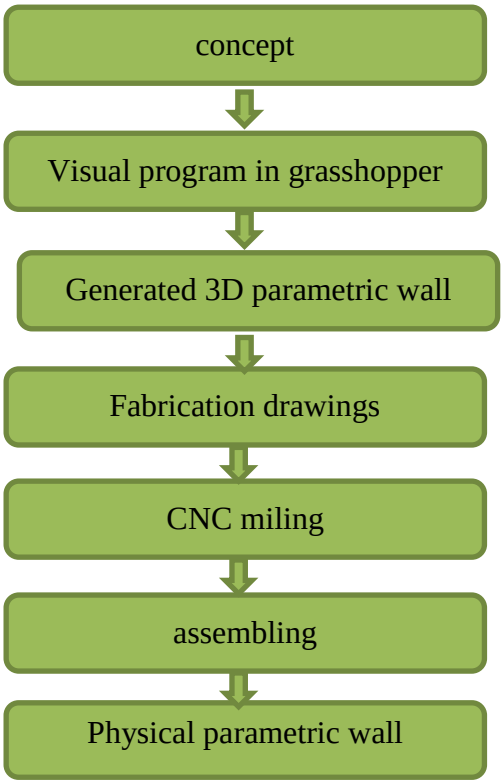
Parametric design is a rapidly growing field of design that uses algorithmic and computational tools to create flexible and customizable designs. The use of parametric design principles in wall design has the potential to create efficient and aesthetically pleasing designs while reducing the design process time and material waste. This paper presents a parametric wall design approach using Rhino Grasshopper software, specifically focusing on the design of a wall of size 10*60 with plywood panels.

The design process starts with the creation of a parametric model that enables easy modification of design parameters such as the thickness and size of the plywood panels. The primary objective of this paper is to explore the potential benefits of using parametric design principles and Rhino-Grasshopper software for the design of walls with plywood panels. The paper will detail the design process and showcase a series of case studies to demonstrate the effectiveness of this approach. The findings will be useful for architects, engineers, and designers who are interested in leveraging the power of parametric design and digital tools for wall design projects.

Overall, this paper aims to highlight the potential of using parametric design principles and Rhino Grasshopper software for wall design, specifically for a wall of size 10*60 with plywood panels in a vertically alligned. The rest of the paper will provide a detailed account of the design process, case studies, and analysis of the results.

Methodology

At first, begin with the concept of parametric wall which is in the shape of sinusoidal curve which is embossed out of the wall. Based on this idea then begin to start designing the wall in the rhino- grasshopper software. The area of the wall is 10*60 according to that data a visual program was created in the grasshopper and it is more customizable. Then started preparing the fabrication drawings for phyciscal model construction. The wall consists of ‘60’ number of panels required to get the perfect shape of the wall.Assembling all the panels side by side get the designed shape of parametric wall.



Implementation

After getting all the parametric wall data from the software then send the fabrication data to the CNC miling machine. Then place a plywood of size 8'× 4' on top of the cnc machine for miling. Based on the drawings the machine cuts the wood accordingly. Each individual element has its own numbering to avoid installation errors. The height of the wall is 10' so we don't have that size ply wood, I divide each element into 2 parts of size 7' and 3'. So we have to cut total 120 panels according to the drawings. After cutting we attach the adjacent panels carefully without any error. Cutted panel should have proper finishing as well as termite protection and water proof coating.

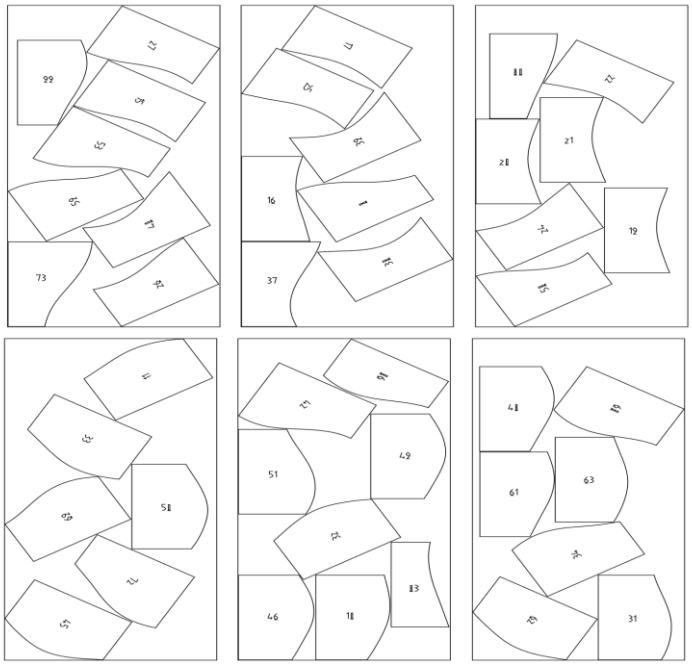


Fig.1 fabrication drawings of short panels on the plywood size of 8'×4'

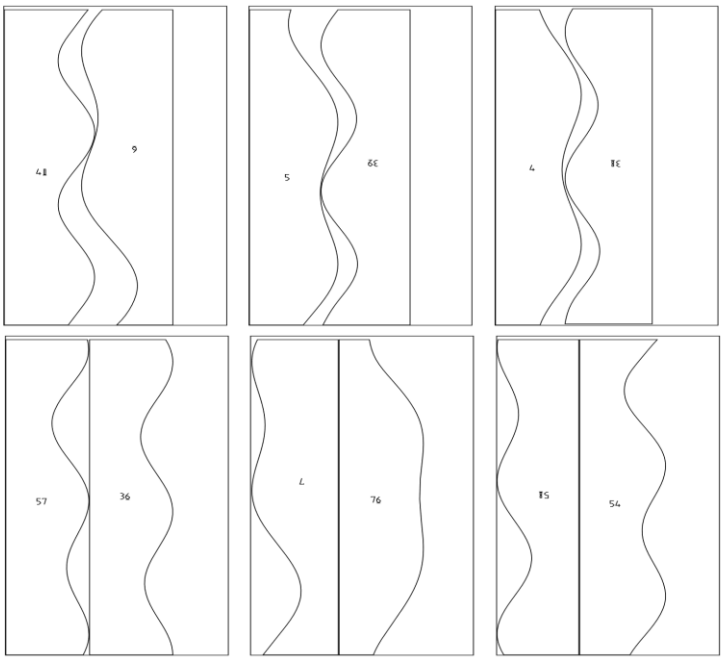


Fig.2 fabrication drawings of tall panels on the plywood size of 8'×4'

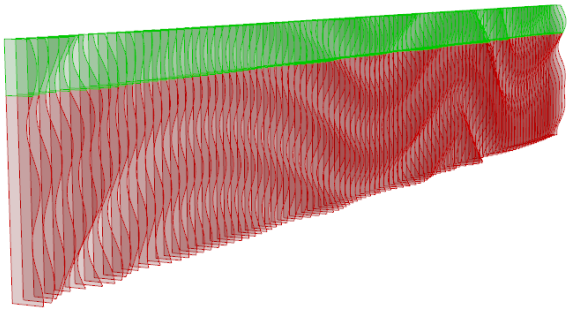


Fig.3 Combined taller and shorter panels

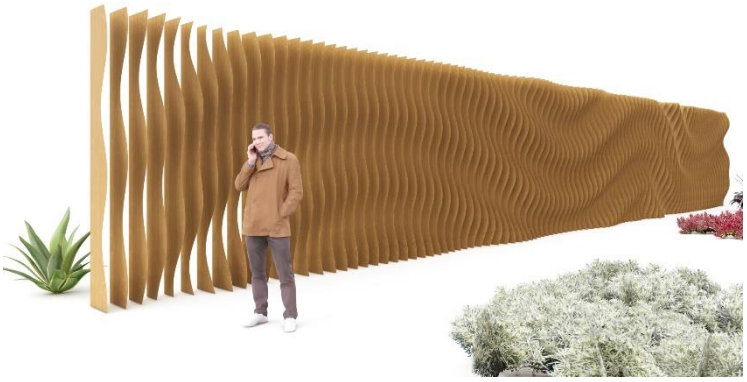


Fig.4 rendered parametric wall

Scope

The scope of the parametric design wall system in Rhino-Grasshopper is quite extensive and can be applied in various architectural and design contexts. The parametric design wall system allows architects and designers to create complex geometries and intricate patterns that can be adjusted and optimized based on various parameters, such as material thickness, surface area, structural strength, and more.

Here are some examples of how the parametric design wall system in Rhino-Grasshopper can be applied:

1. Facade design: The parametric design wall system can be used to create unique and complex facades for buildings, with the ability to adjust parameters like the size and shape of the individual elements, the spacing between them, and the overall form of the facade.
2. Interior partitions: The system can be used to design interior walls and partitions that are both functional and aesthetically pleasing, with the ability to adjust the thickness and density of the wall and the pattern of perforations or openings.
3. Furniture design: The parametric design wall system can also be used to create custom furniture pieces that incorporate intricate patterns and geometries.
4. Lighting design: The system can be used to design custom lighting fixtures that incorporate complex patterns and shapes, with the ability to adjust the size and shape of the fixture and the pattern of the light.

Overall, the parametric design wall system in Rhino-Grasshopper offers designers and architects a powerful tool to create customized, intricate, and optimized designs.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the parametric wall design system in Rhino-Grasshopper is a versatile and powerful tool that offers architects and designers the ability to create customized, intricate, and optimized wall designs. By leveraging the parametric capabilities of Rhino-Grasshopper, designers can create complex geometries and patterns that can be adjusted based on various parameters, such as material thickness, surface area, and structural strength. The system can be used in a range of architectural and design contexts, from facade design to furniture design and lighting design. Overall, the parametric wall design system in Rhino-Grasshopper provides architects and designers with a powerful tool to create unique and optimized wall designs that meet their specific requirements and aesthetic preferences.

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