

The KNUCKLE

An Entirely Different Modular Building System

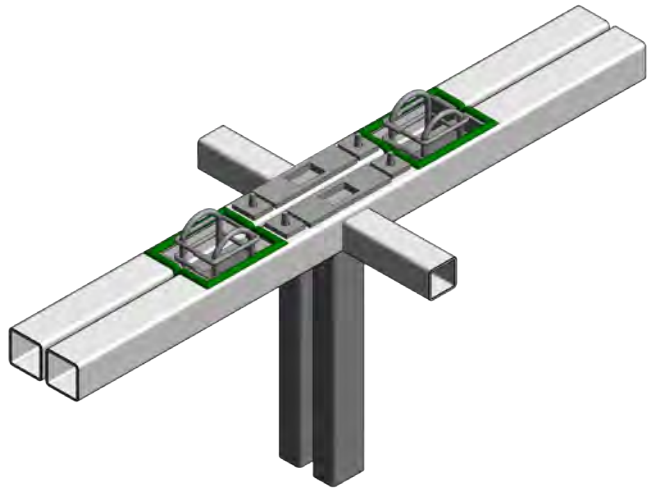
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Imagine if modules could be connected with no mechanical fixings, no plates and no bolts...

This is what The Knuckle achieves - an easy and economical solution to the setbacks of complicated connection details that typically tie modules together on site.

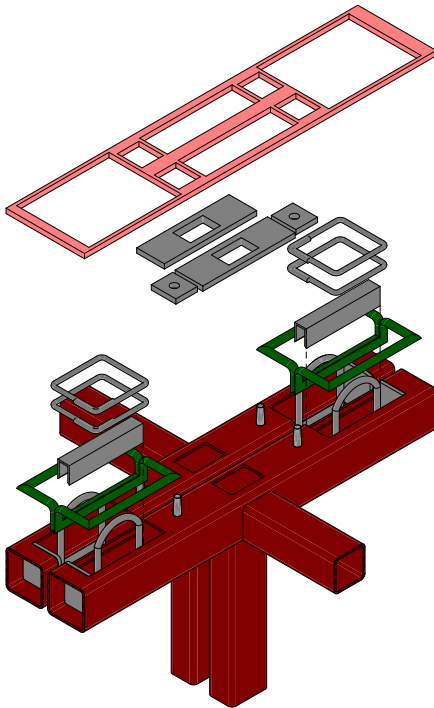
It's a rapid process. Once the modules are lifted into place they can be adjusted, lined and levelled the same as any other modular system. Concrete or high-strength grout is then inserted within its tubular structure to form The Knuckle and connect the modules.

By connecting the modules together with no mechanical fixings, sections of cladding will not require leaving off in order to fix plates between modules.



“It’s about joining, flexibility & strength”

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This means that we can reduce the extent of temporary works such as scaffolding and mast climbers.

Additionally, the cladding can potentially be self-sealing so that no external temporary works are required.

It also means that there are no parts of the interior fit-out that need leaving off because all the connections are made with concrete and reinforcement within The Knuckle's tubular structure.

As such, it is a unique solution with numerous benefits which is why we believe that The Knuckle is the future of modular design.

"A unique solution with numerous benefits"

Benefits of Modular Construction



Offsite, recyclable
and sustainable



Early cost certainty



Full scale,
working mock-ups for
review



Factory-stored
materials reduces risk
of damage/loss

MEP

Early integration of
room M&E



Shorter construction
programme



Early occupation
and return on capital
investment



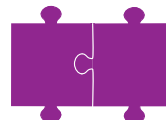
Low risk to client and
contractor



Health & safety
issues more easily
addressed



Light-weight
construction



Ability to template
designs



Local labour can be
utilised

Benefits Particular to The Knuckle

Rapidly constructed and naturally robust structure

20+ storey building height if stability cores provided

Seven-storey building height if self-stable – no stability cores

Repetitive cage types and structure make numerous different buildings

Minimised wall & floor thickness to match traditional footprint & height

Minimised site works for connections in fitted-out rooms

Minimised temporary works, scaffolding and wall climbers

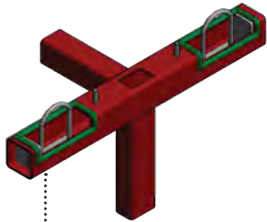
Increased structural efficiency & reduced fire protection requirements

Simple accommodation of manufacturing and site tolerances

Open-plan spaces are possible, as internal columns can be removed/omitted

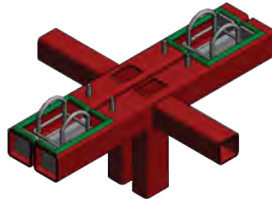
Operation Summary: Internal Module-to-Module

Placement of 1st module



Ceiling beam

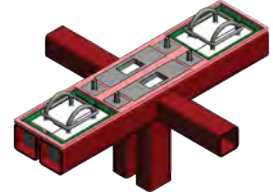
Placement of 2nd module



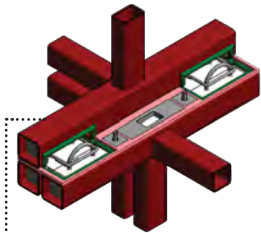
1st pouring of concrete



Shim plates in place

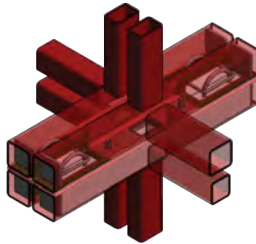


Placement of 3rd module

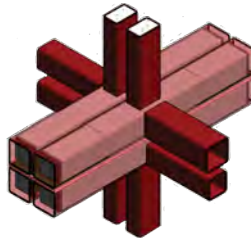


Floor beam

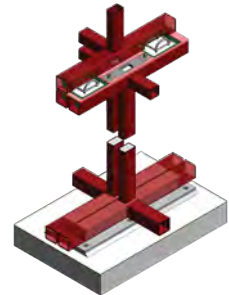
Placement of 4th module



2nd pouring of concrete

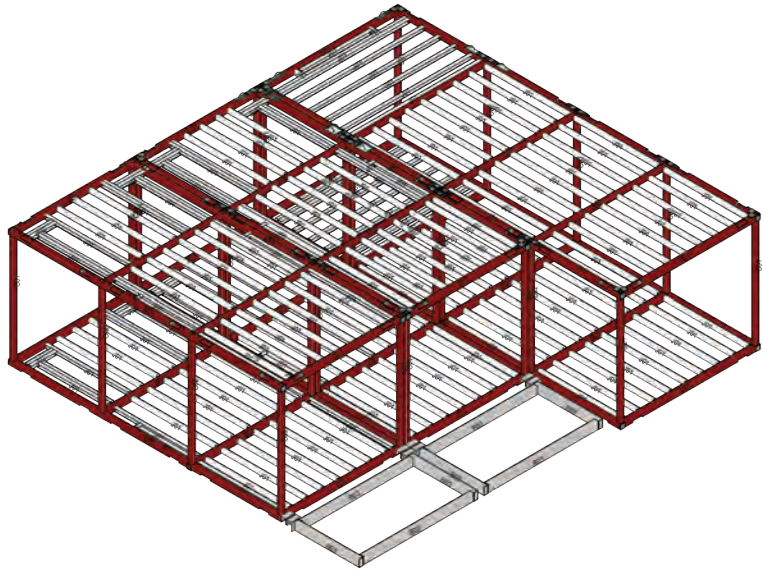


The Knuckle connection

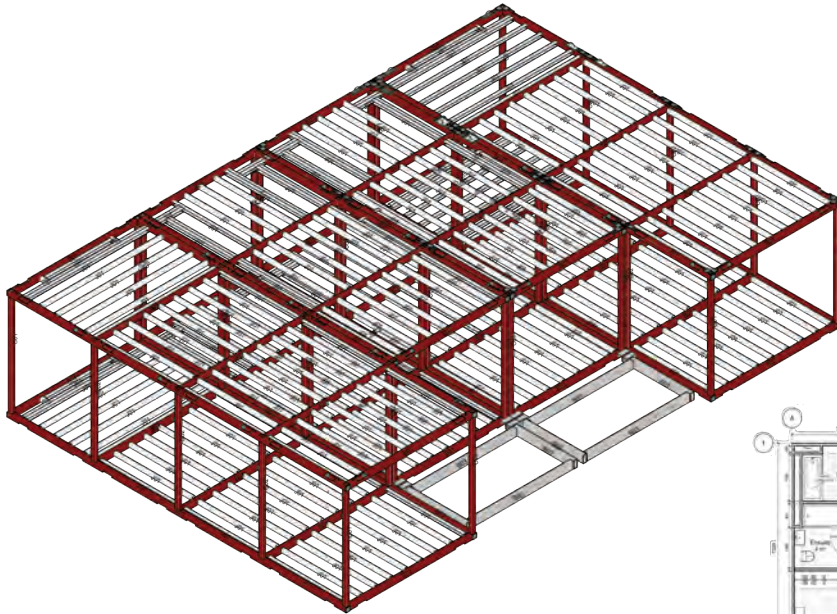




Two Bedroom Apartment

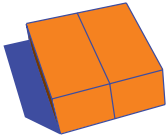


Three Bedroom Apartment

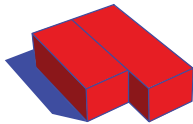


Some Potential Building Configurations

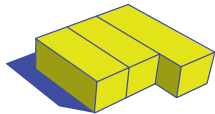
1 Bedroom Type / 1 Person



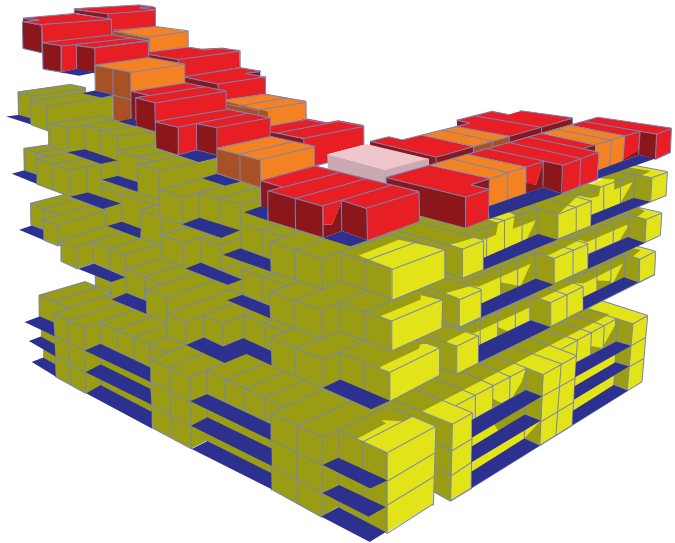
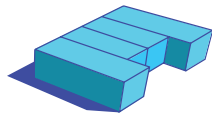
1 Bedroom Type / 2 Persons



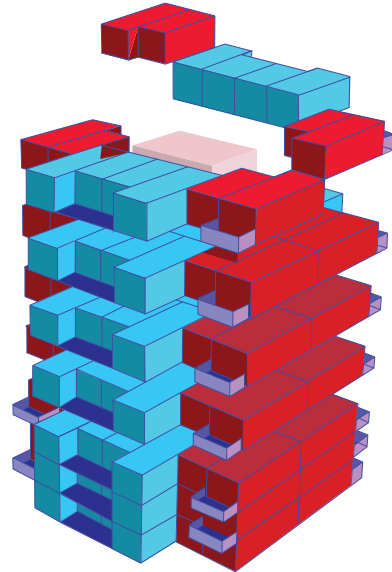
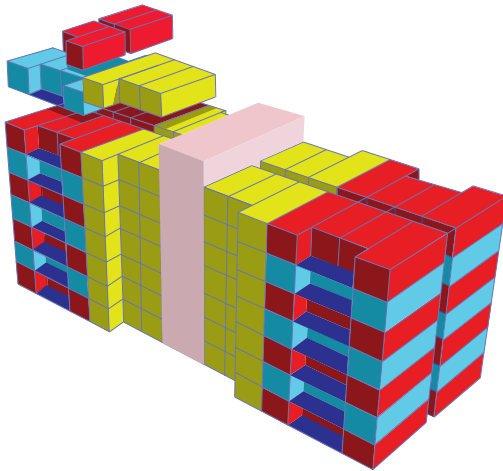
2 Bedroom Type / 4 Persons



3 Bedroom Type / 6 Persons



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Awards



2020 WINNER



2020 FINALIST



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2019 FIRST



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2018 COMMENDED



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Patents & Accreditations

USA

UK

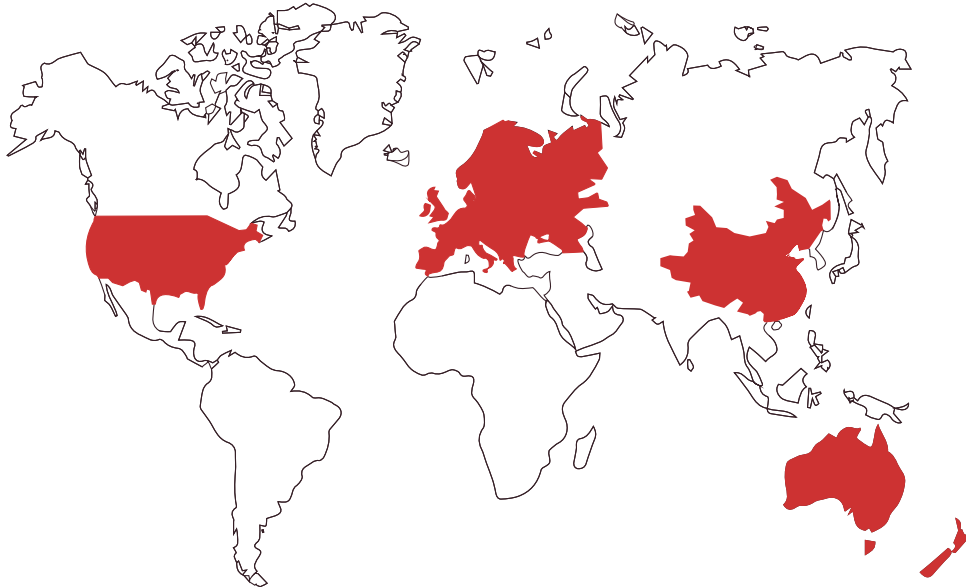
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PREMIER GUARANTEE

Our Experience

Peter Chapman is the inventor of The Knuckle.

His involvement in MMC design and development began when he joined Peter Dann and took a keen interest in the progression of this form of construction. As part of the design team, he has been instrumental in the promotion of MMC techniques on many award-winning modular buildings in the UK and overseas.

Peter Dann have over 60 years' experience in structural and civil engineering, including 30+ years' expertise in modular construction. They have been instrumental in the design of many prototype building systems with sustainability as a major factor in their development.

Innovation has always been a major part of the Peter Dann philosophy and an integral part of business development. That is why they supported the invention and patenting of The Knuckle and other ground-breaking structures.



**The Knuckle is the
future of modular
design**



We want to hear from you...

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