



Timber structures

Case studies

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Leonardo da Vinci Assessment of existing structures Project number: CZ/08/LLP-LdV/TOI/134005

Structural reassessment

Inadequate reliability;

Structural modifications;

Changes in category of use and design working life;

Damage or deterioration (environmental, chemical or biological, attack);

Damages due to accidental loads (earthquake, impact or explosion), settlements or other unintentional events

Preliminary investigations

Acquisition of original information (design and structural conception of the building, reference structural codes, if any);

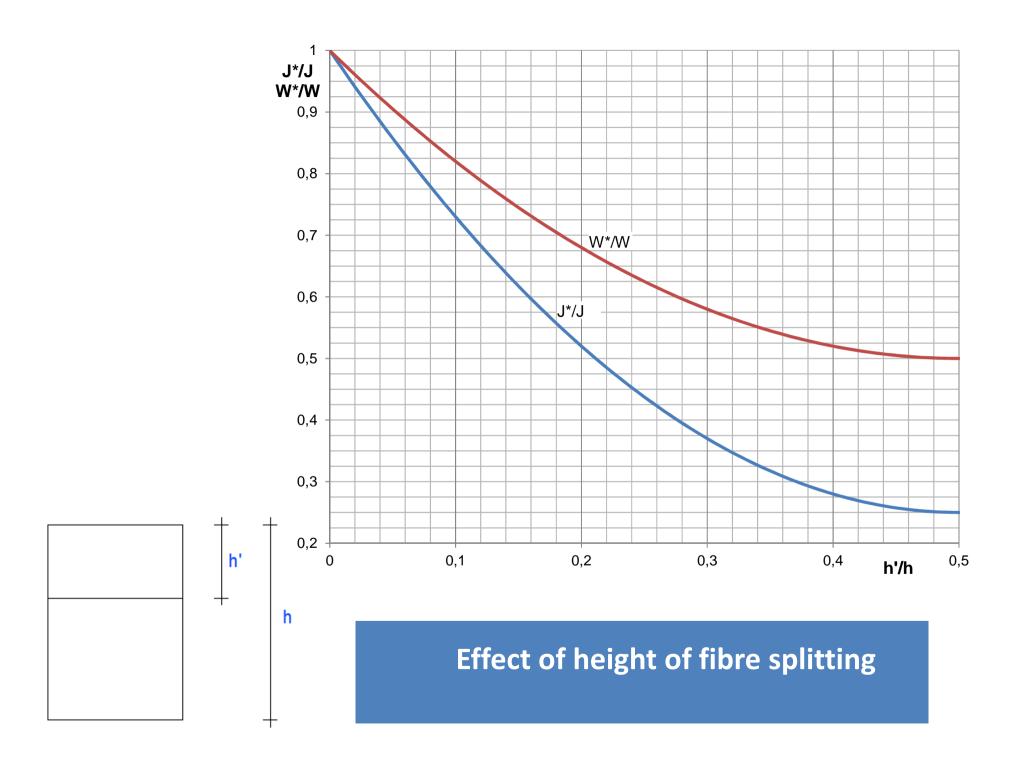
History of structural modifications (addition or demolition, and/or deep maintenance interventions);

actual damage and/or crack patterns;

actual material properties;

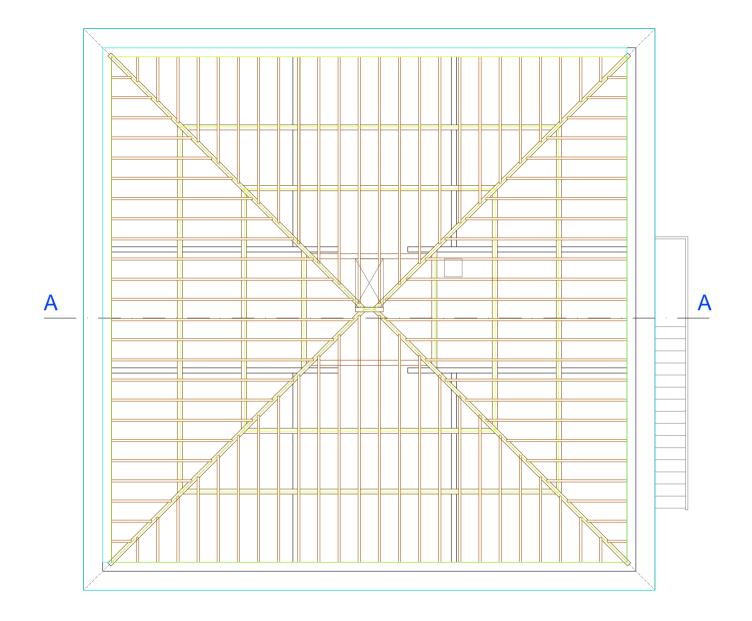
required performance level.

PRELIMINARY REMARKS



CASE STUDY N. 1

STRENGTHENING OF A TIMBER ROOF





Cracked beam



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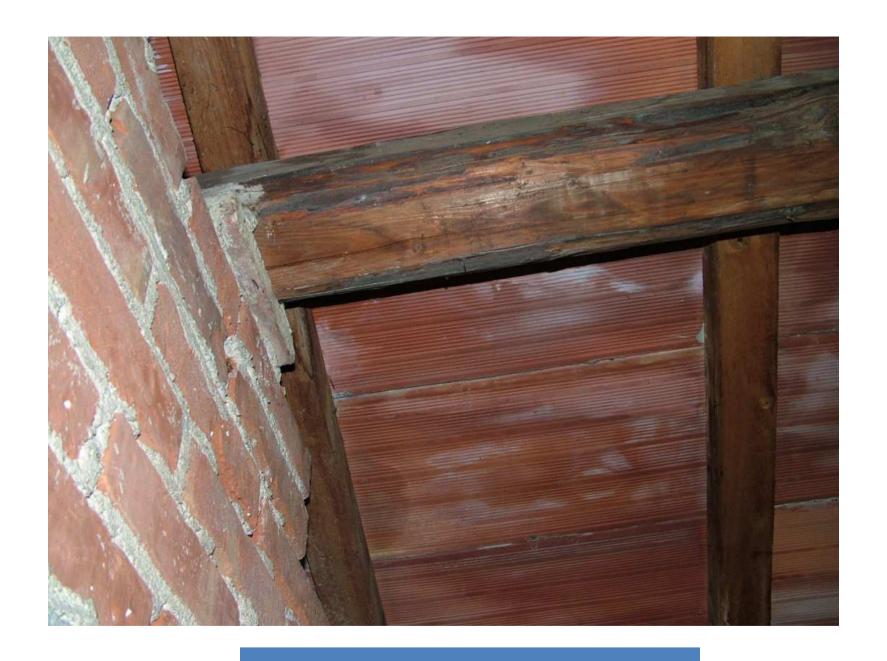
Damaged columns



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Cracked beam

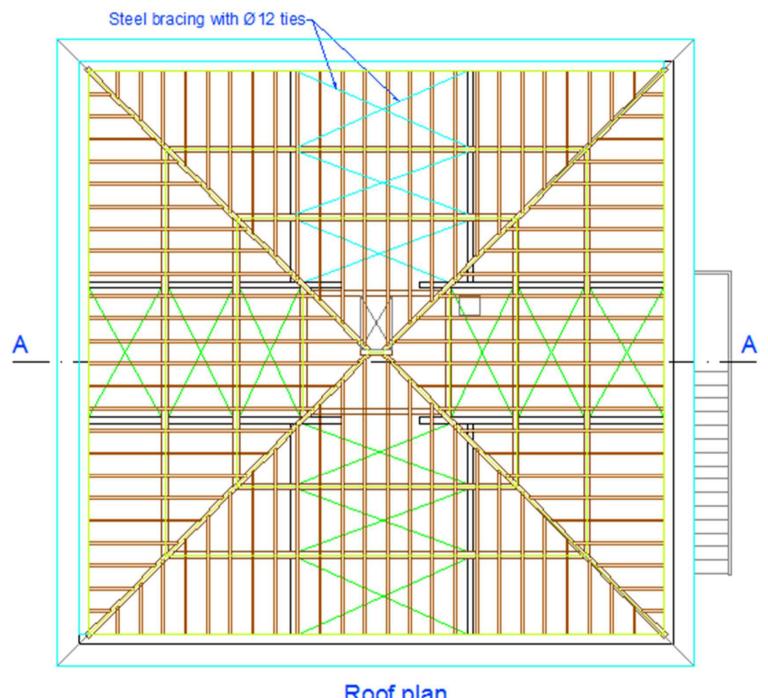




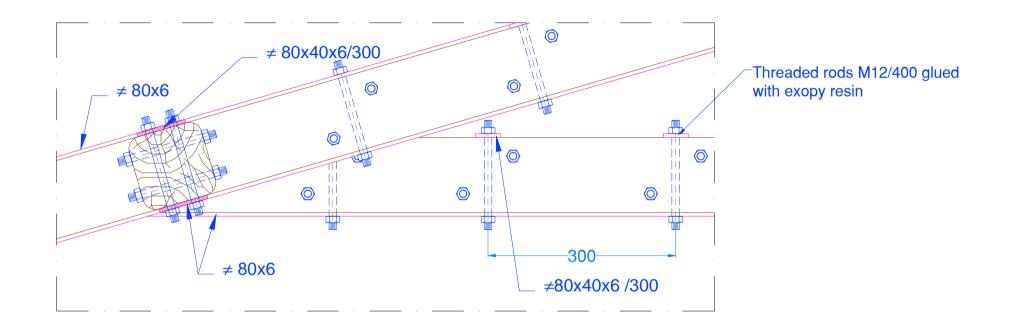
Crack pattern in a beam



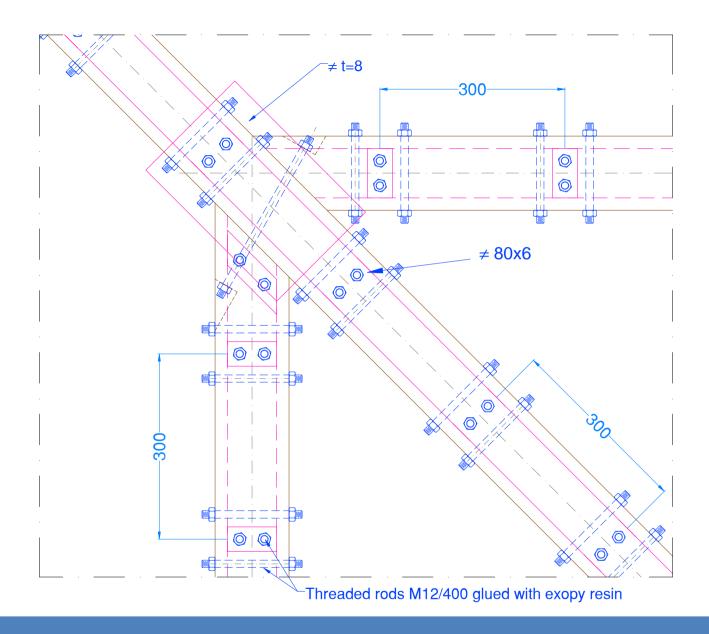
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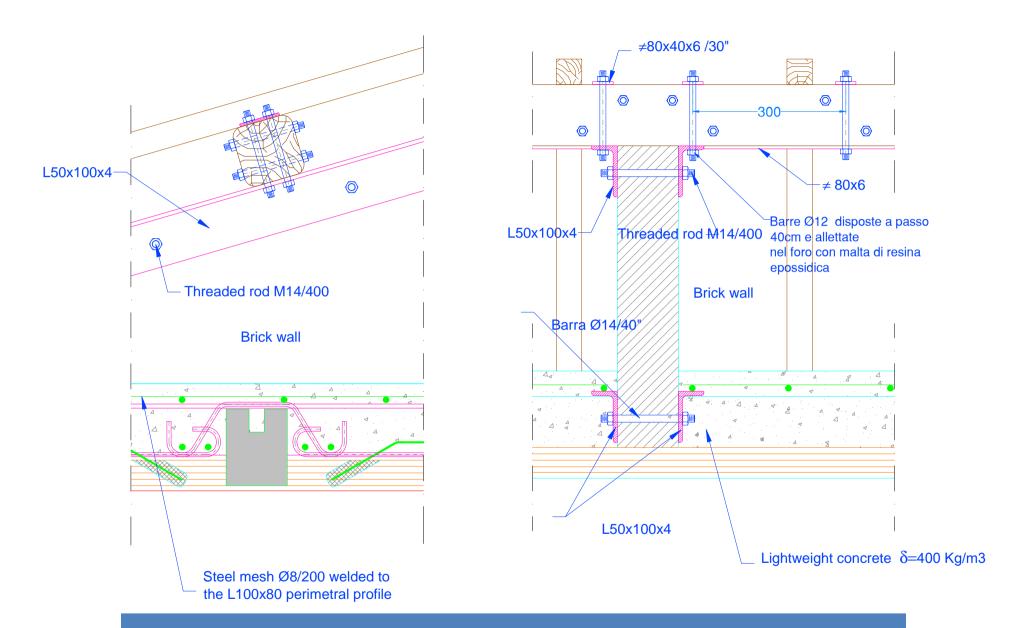
Roof plan



Strengthening of the beams



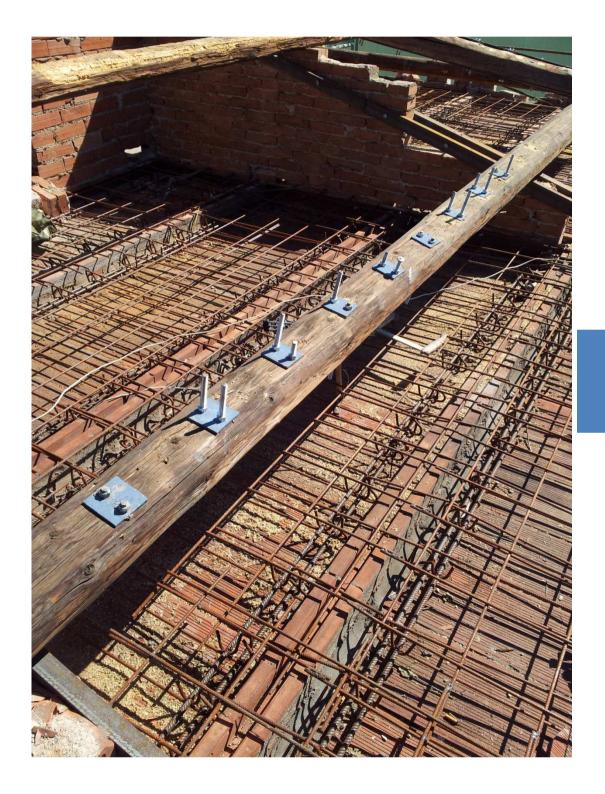
Strengthening of the connection



Connection with the upper part of the shear walls



Strengthening of the main beams



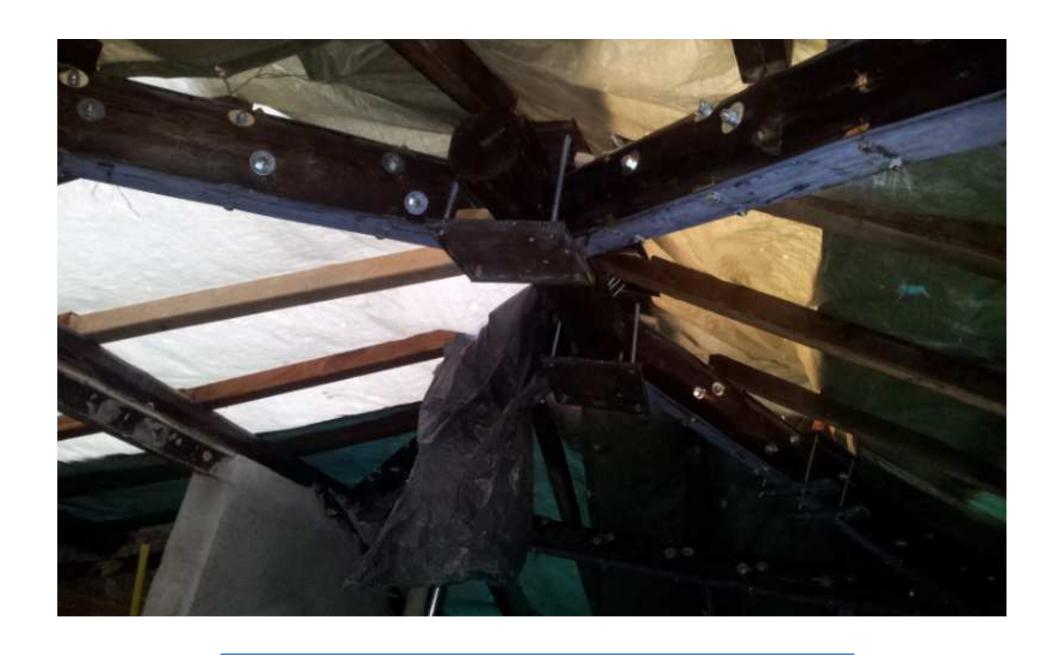
Strengthening of the secondary beams



Strengthening of the roof during the works



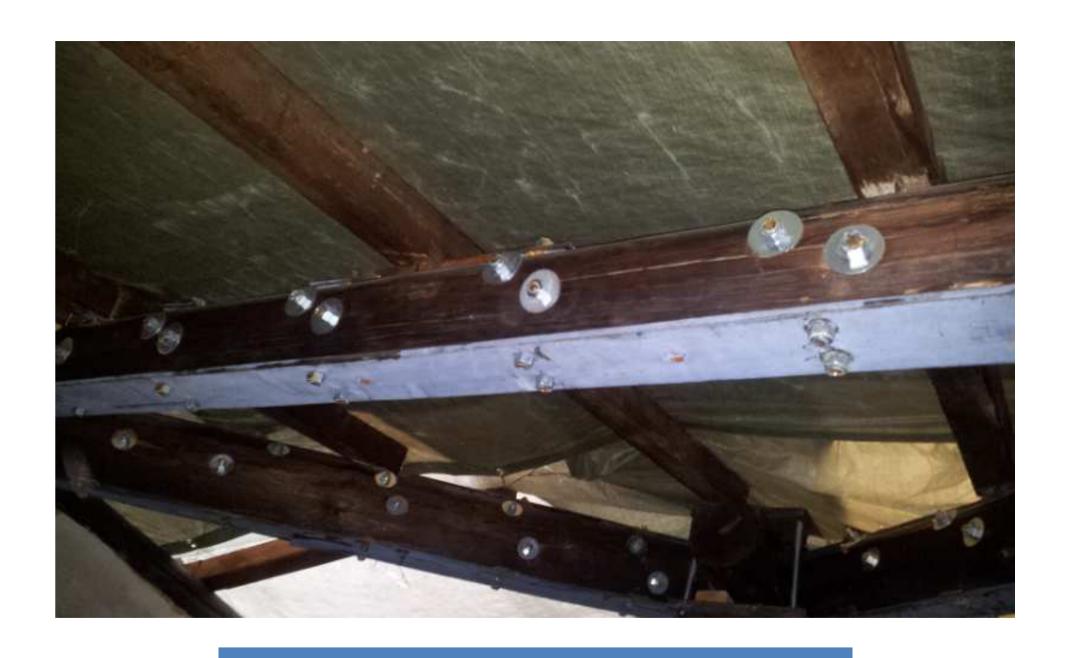
Strengthening of the roof during the works



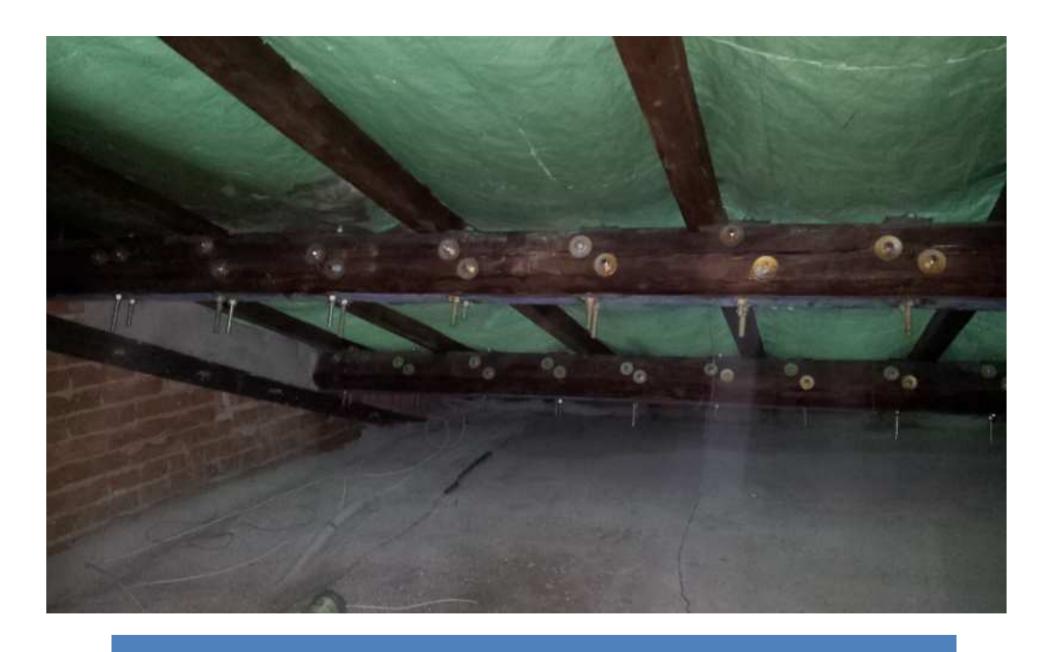
Strengthening of the joints



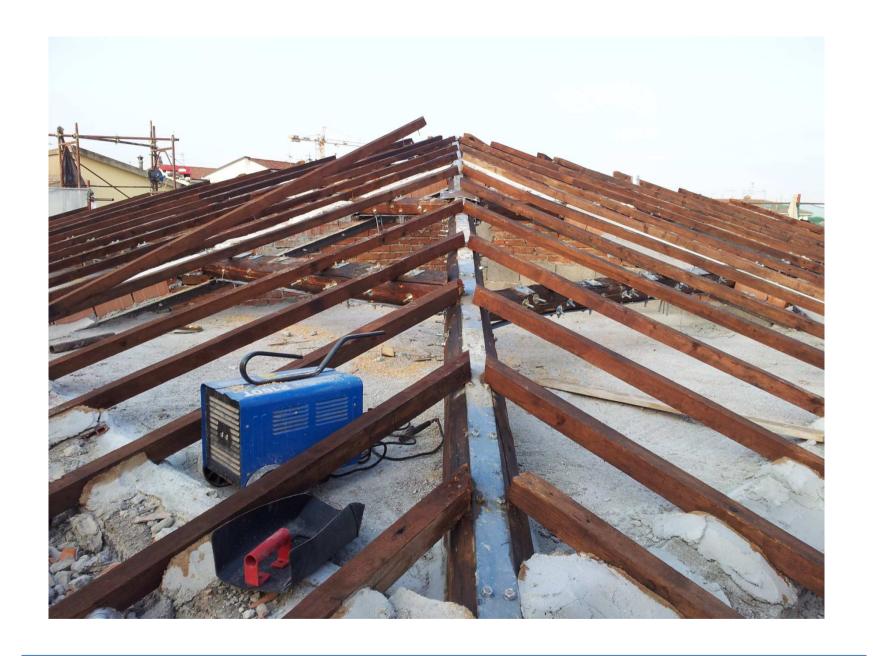
Beams and joint after the strengthening



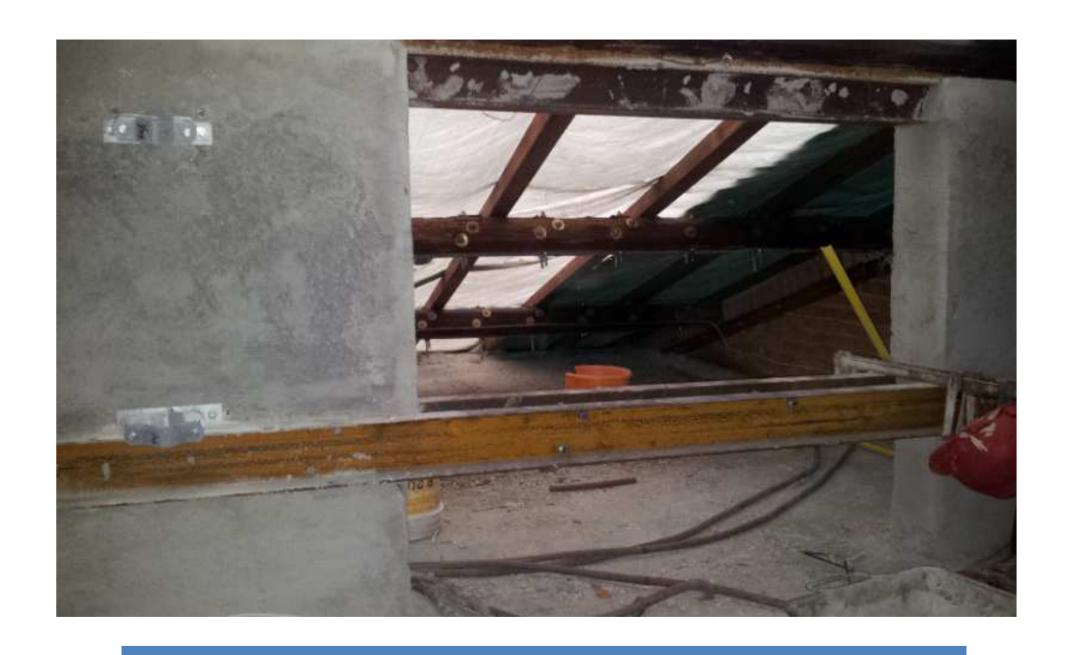
Strengthening of the beams - Detail



Details of the connections with intermediate brick walls



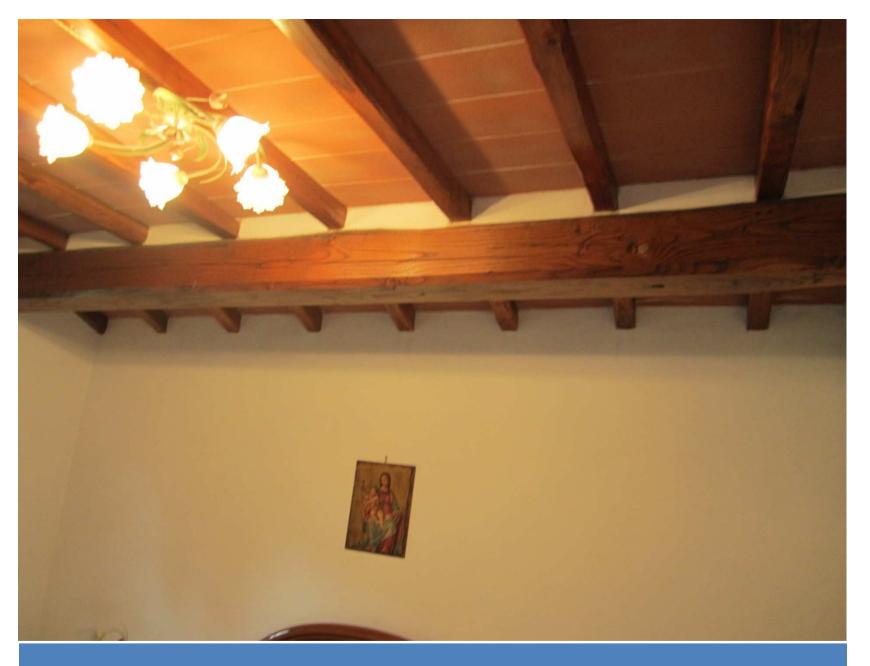
View of the roof during the work



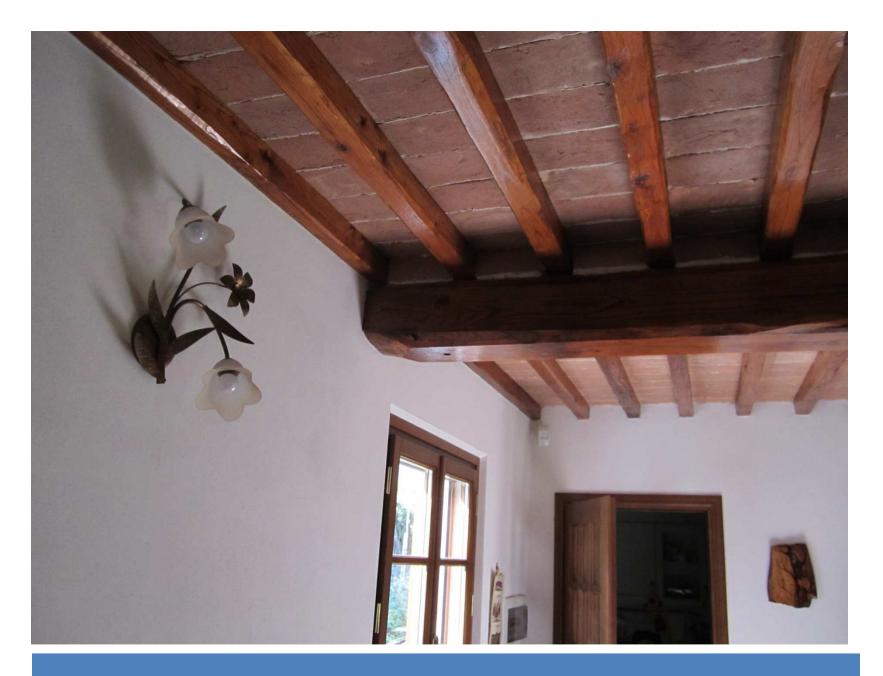
Strengthening of brick wall

CASE STUDY N. 2

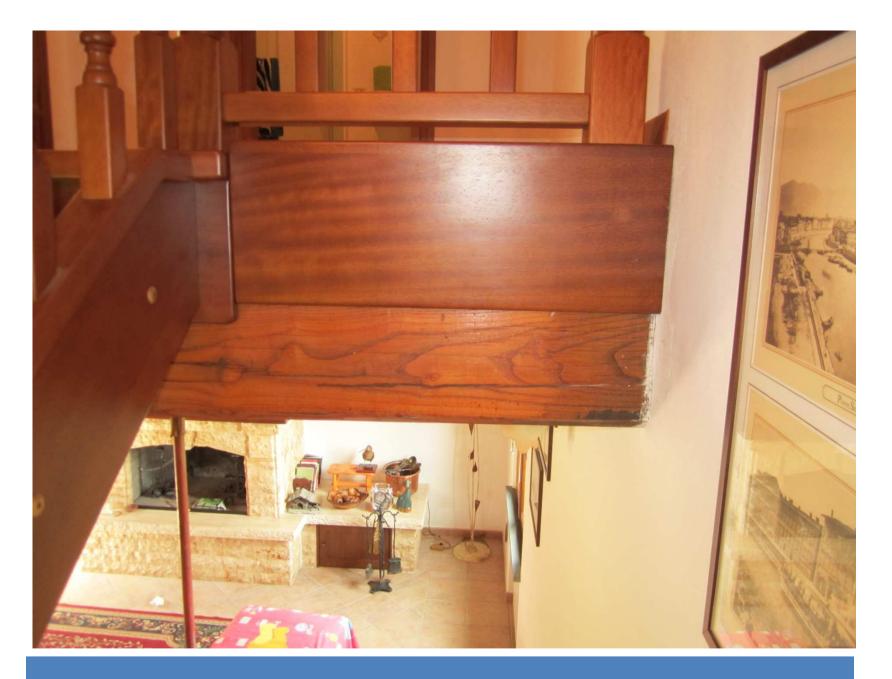
ANALYSIS AND REPAIR OF TIMBER BEAMS



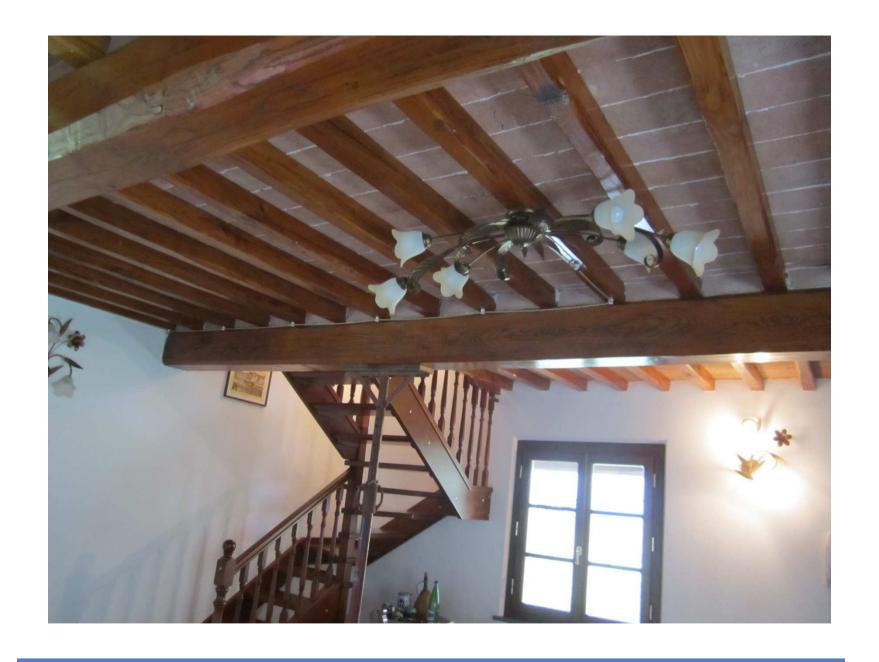
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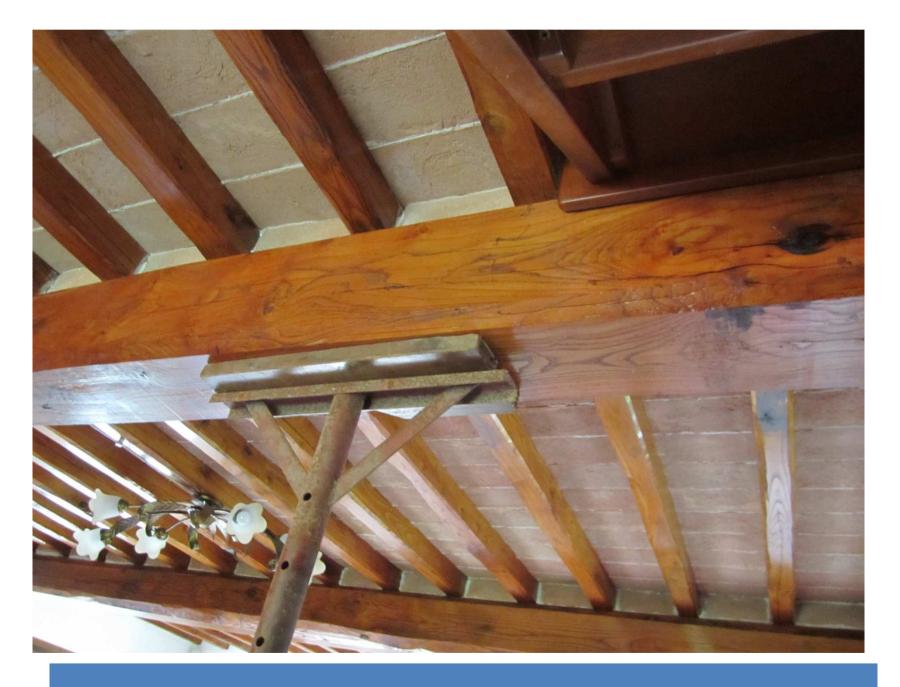
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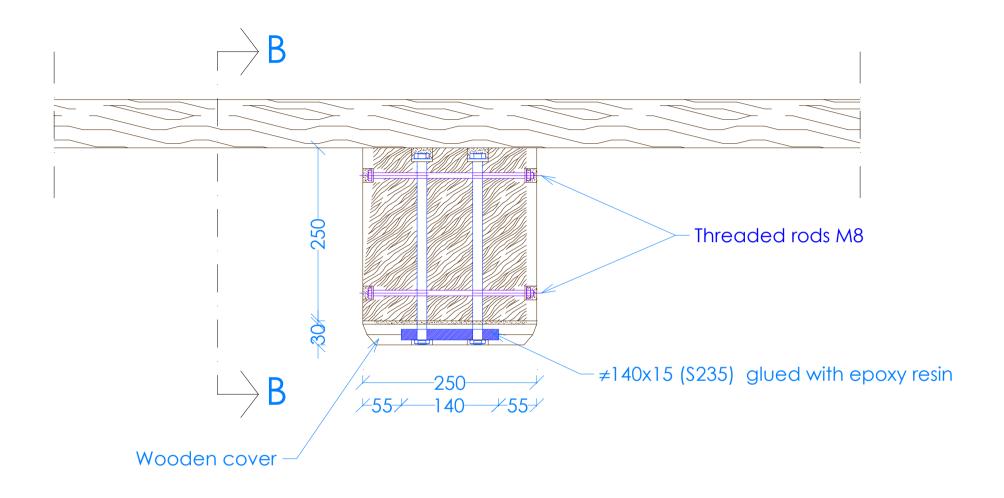
Beam supported with a pack prop



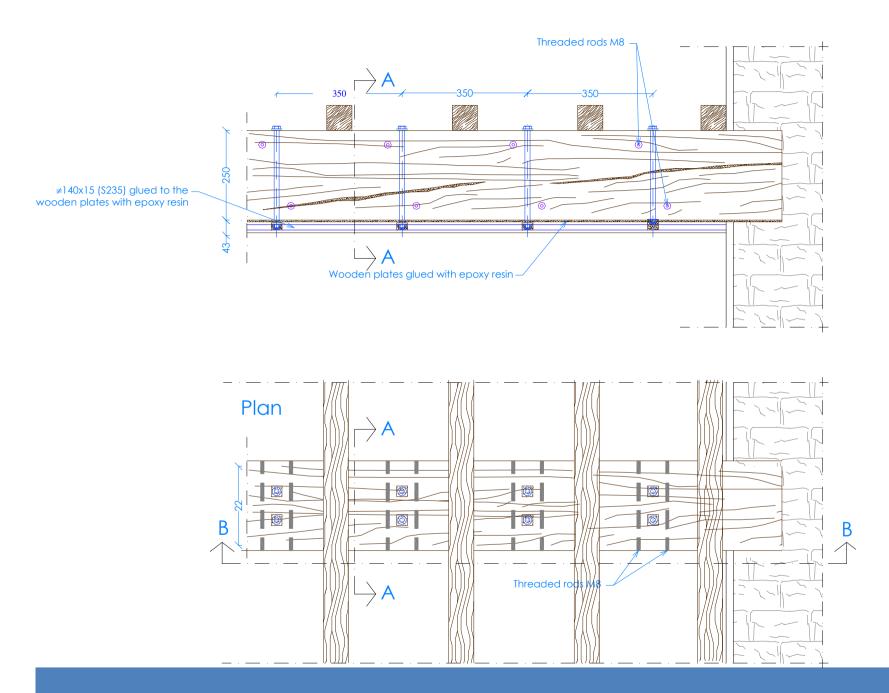
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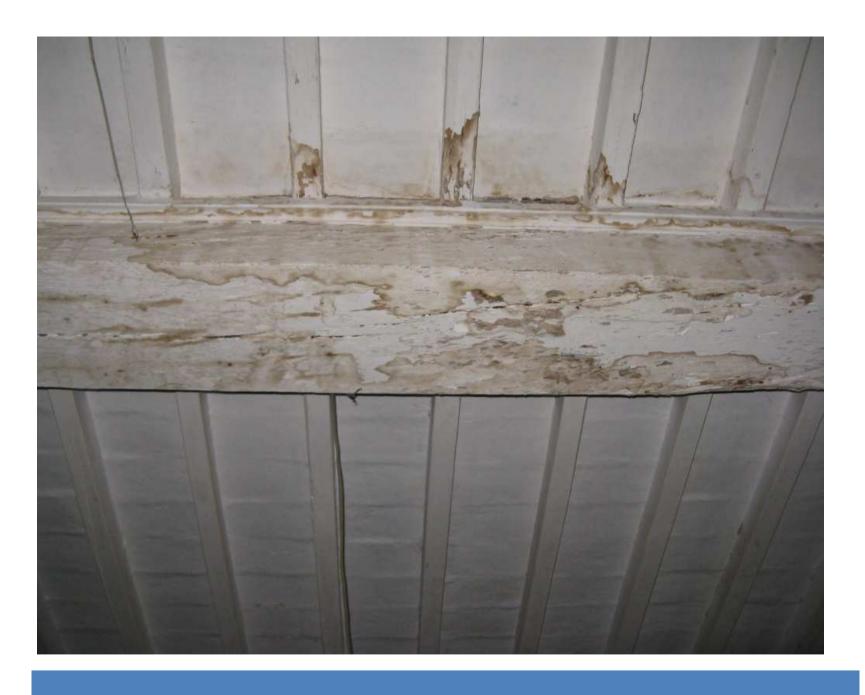
Support and crack



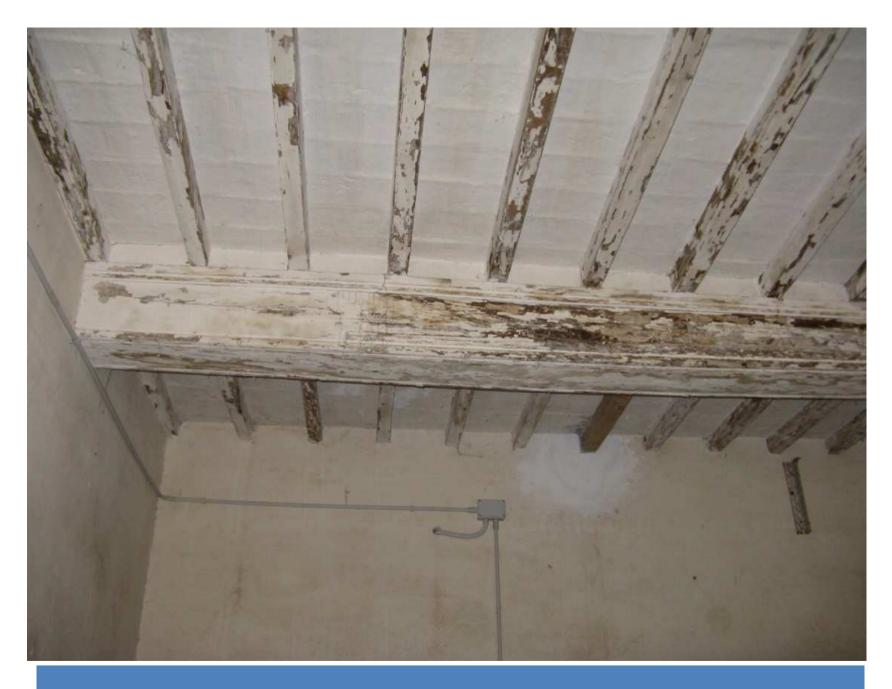
Strengthening of timber beam preserving the exterior aspect



Strengthening of timber beam preserving the exterior aspect



Crack pattern in a beam



Beam covered with wood plates



General view of the floor



Detail of the cover



A surprising arrangement of the cover



Detail of the supports





Covered beams



Painted vault

CASE STUDY N. 3

SUBSTITUTION OF TIMBER BEAMS

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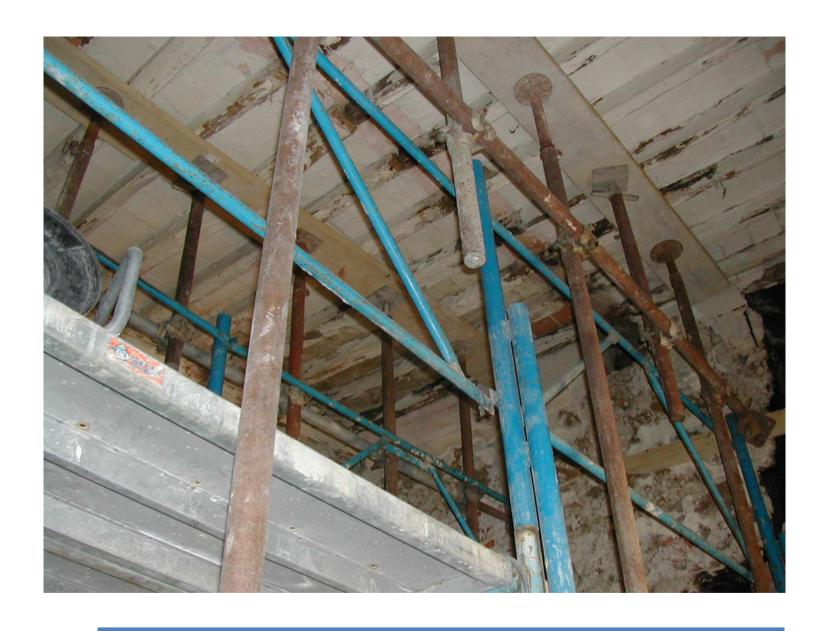




Substitution of the floor

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SUBSTITUTION OF TIMBER BEAMS FROM BELOW



Removal of the beam supporting the floor



Insertion of the new beam



Preparation of the support



Beam substitutions completed



Arch to be strengthened

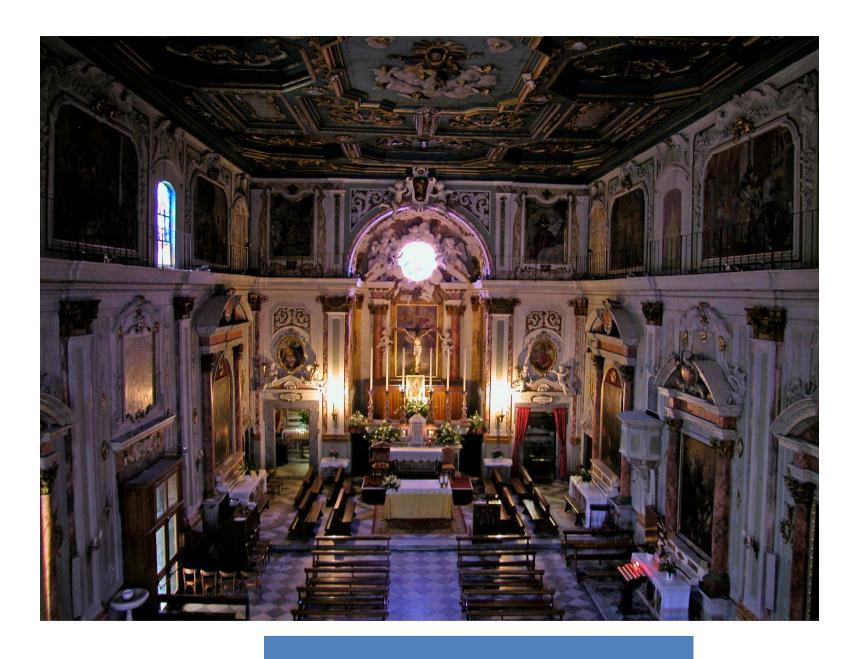




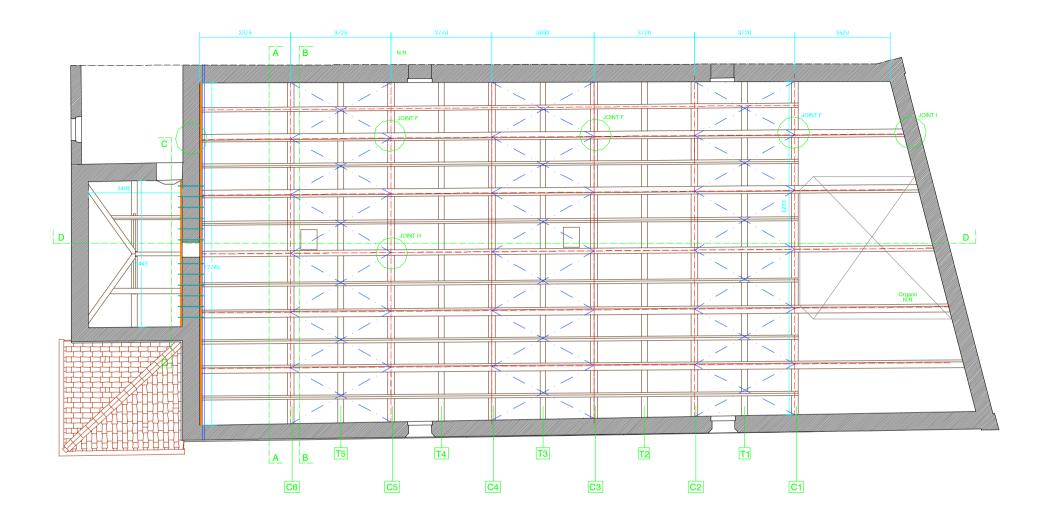
Arch strengthening

CASE STUDY N. 4

STRENGTHENING AND REPAIR OF A WOODEN TRUSS ROOF SUSTAINING A PAINTED CIELING



The interior of the Church



Plan of the roof structure



Typical strut-tie joint





Suspension of the cieling



Connection of the truss tie - Jupiter dart

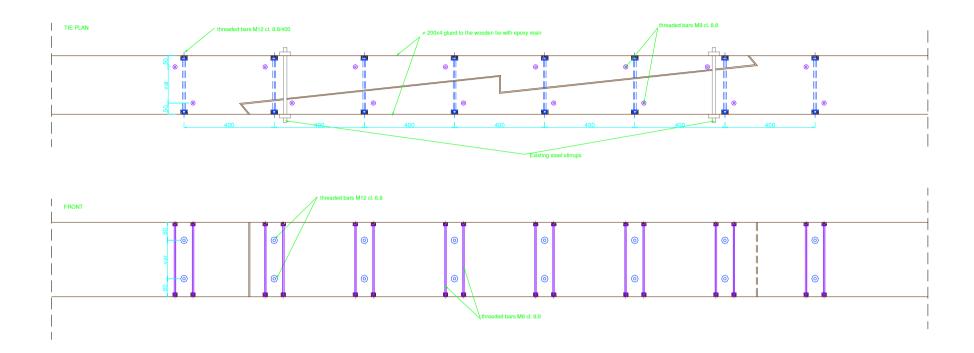


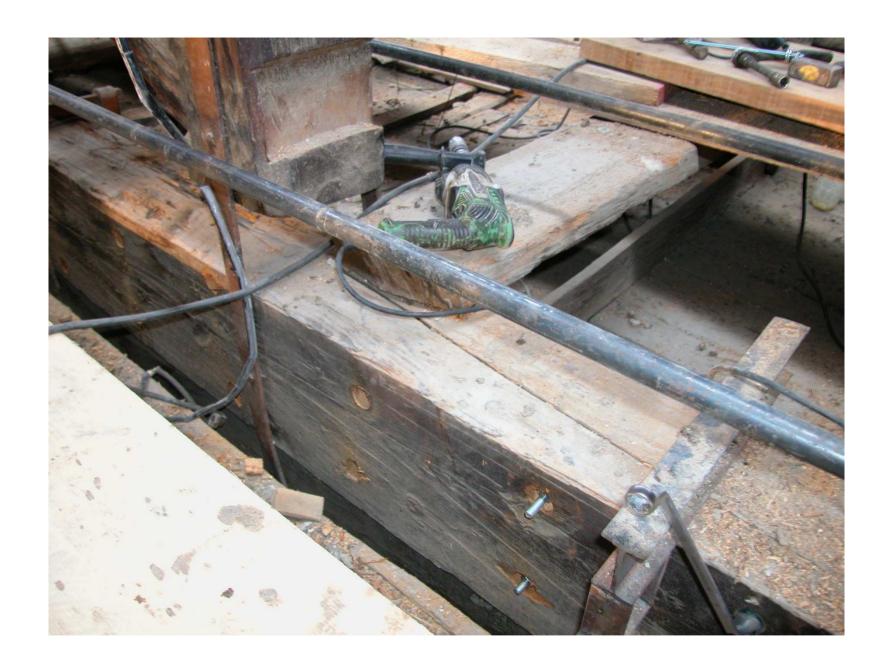


Repair of the strut

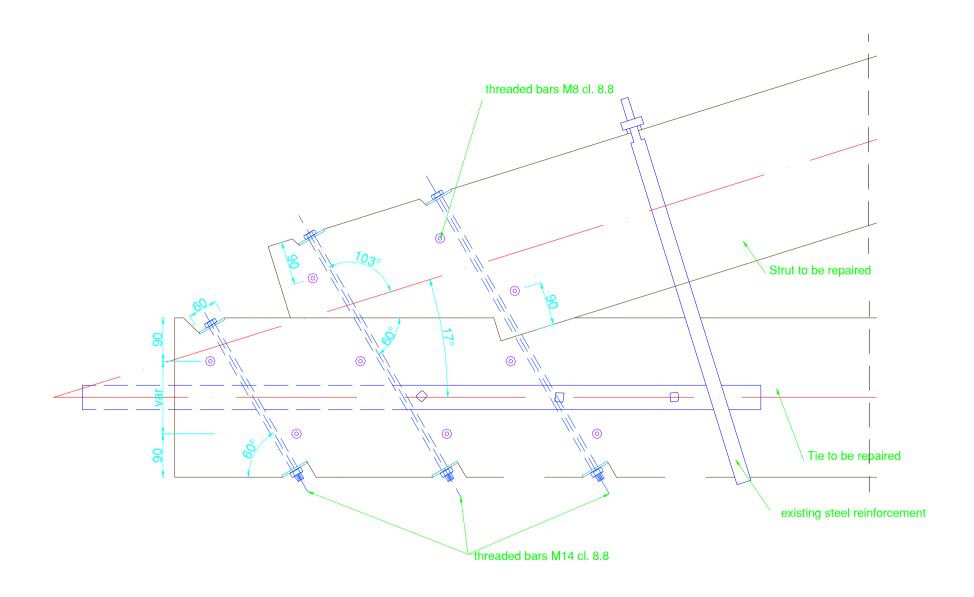


Repair of the truss and temporary chain

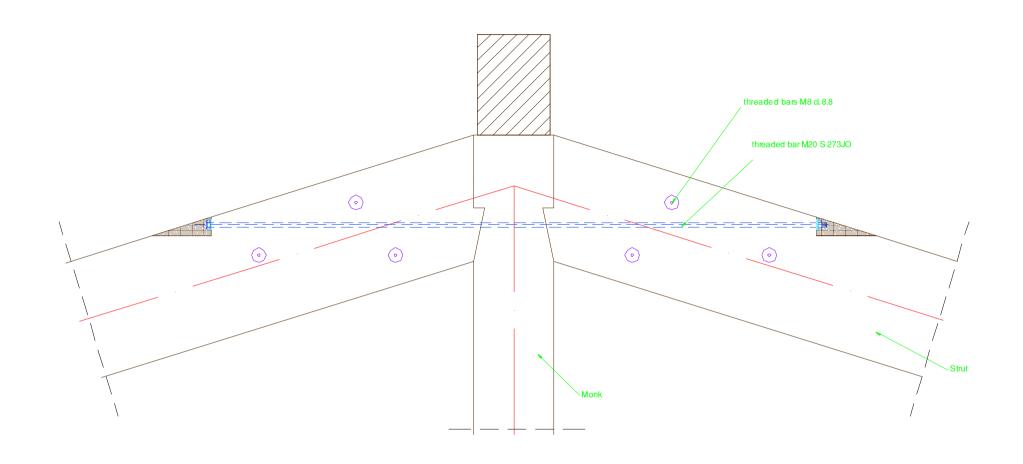




Repair of the Jupiter dart



Repair of the strut-tie connection





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Temporary suspension of the truss



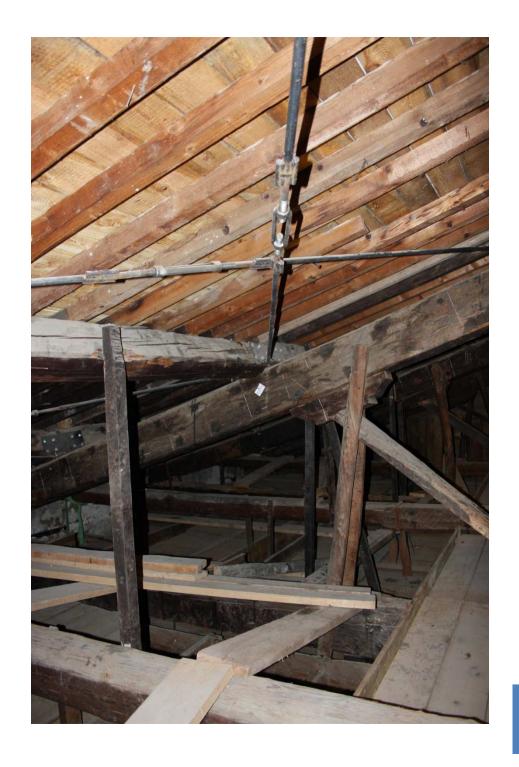








Repair of a damaged head





Steel bracings







Strengthening of the facade wall

Thank you for your kind attention