

Bamboo trusses

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a new construction

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introduction

This manual describes how to build a bamboo truss to support the roof of a building with 8 meters free span (e.g. school, clinic, etc.). The construction of the truss is based on scientific research by the author.

This manual should be used to teach people how to build

such trusses on their own.

They should be familiar with bamboo and with some basic English to use this book independantly, although we hope that the pictures will bridge over a great deal of linguistic problems.

This manual contains only information concerning the truss and the purlins; other topics like stability, wind-load, earthquakes, etc. are not dealt with; for these topics is referred to the book "Bamboo" by the same author.

PART 1

we are going to build a bamboo roof, for a building of about 8 meters span.



the roof is supported by a construction called a truss.

how many bamboo culms do we need?

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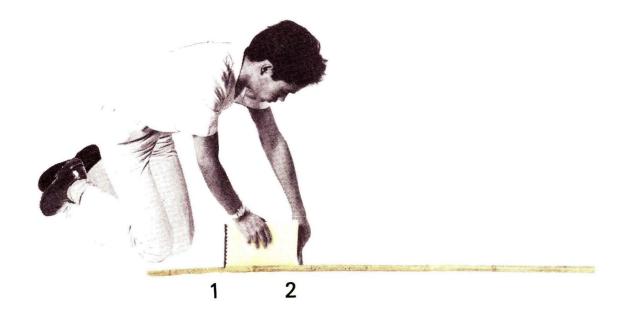


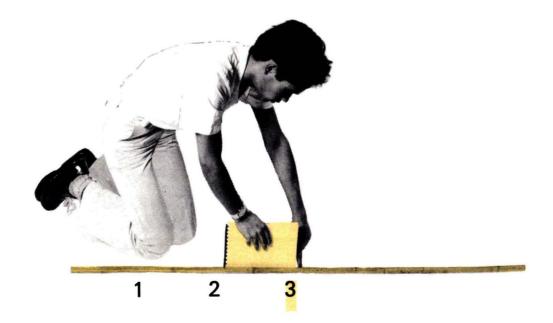
for each truss we need 4 culms.

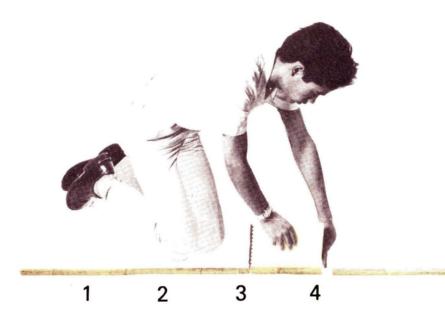
we are going to make a measuring-rod from a thin bamboo.







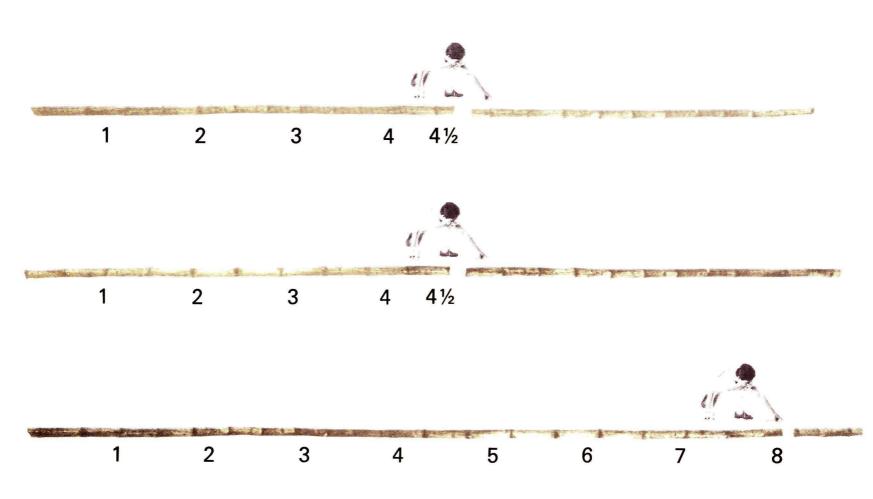






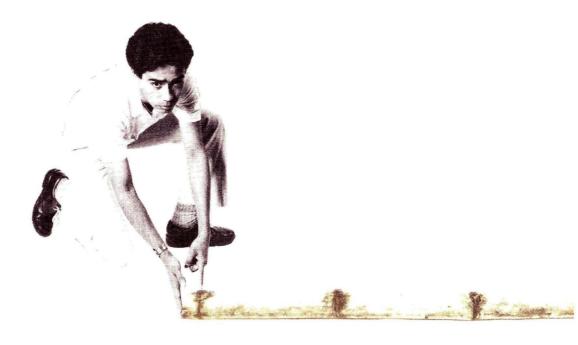
we have a measuring-rod of one meter.

with the rod we measure the length of the bamboo parts needed for a truss.



2x4½ meters and 1x8 meters



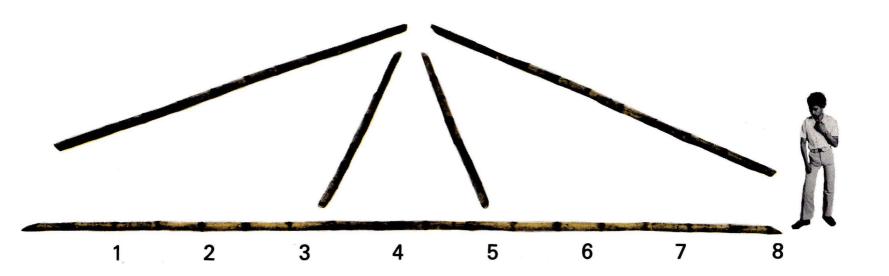


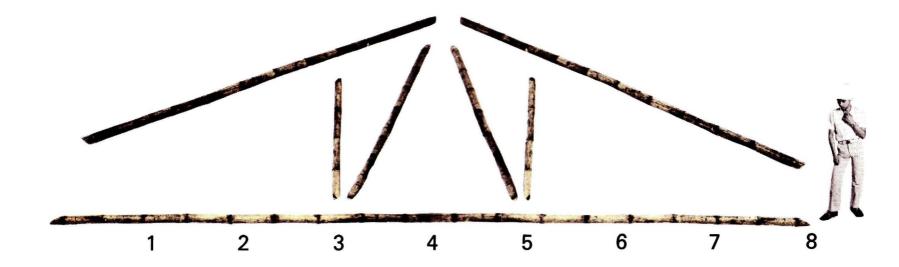
the bamboo culms should be cut

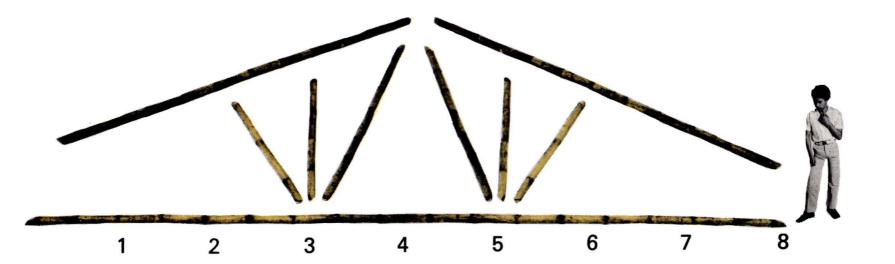


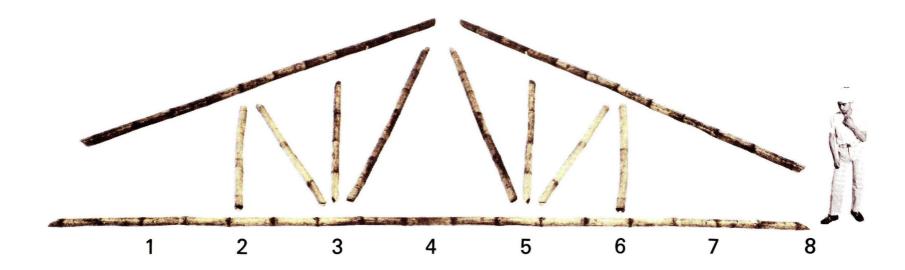
as close to a node as possible.



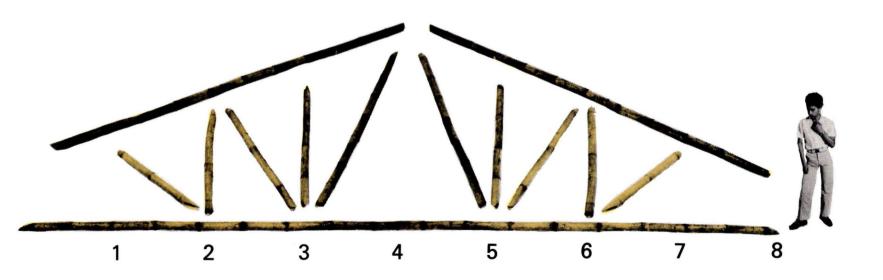




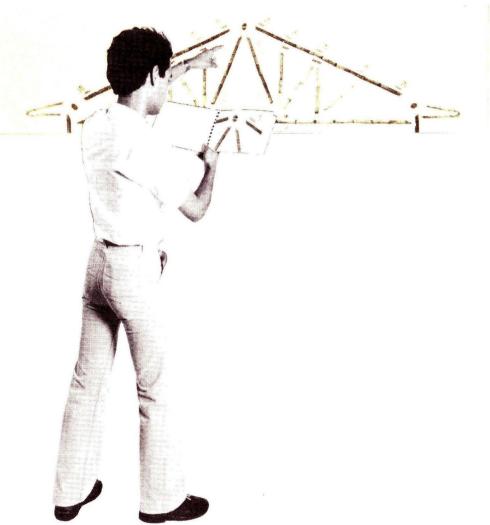




it is very important to build the construction exactly as shown here.

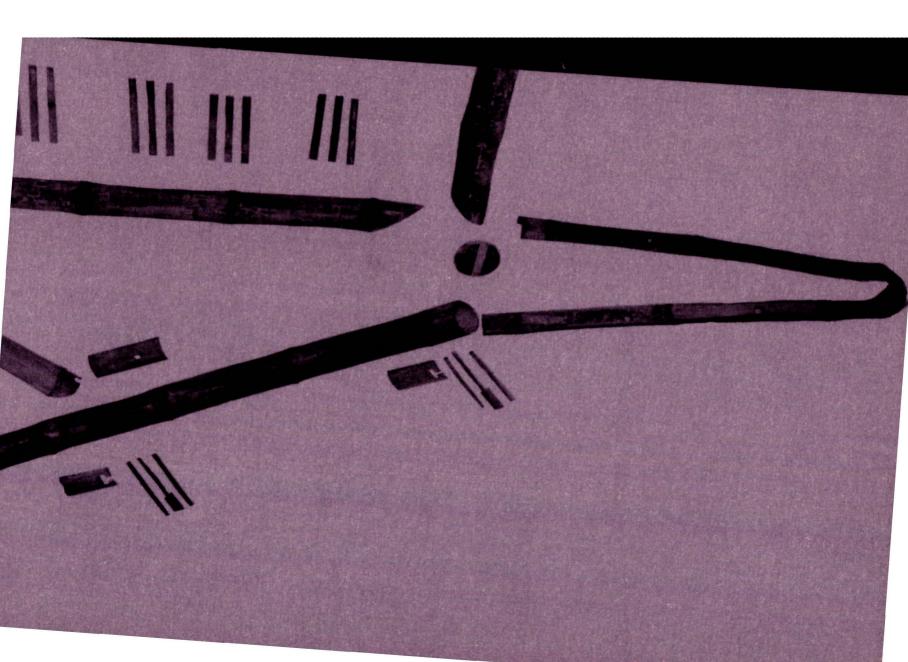


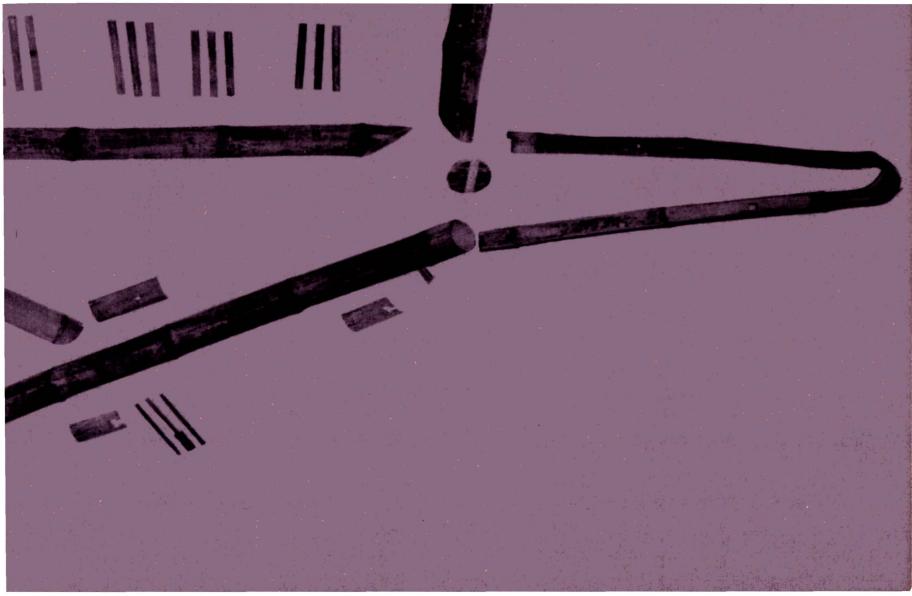
20 compare the following pictures in this booklet with the poster.



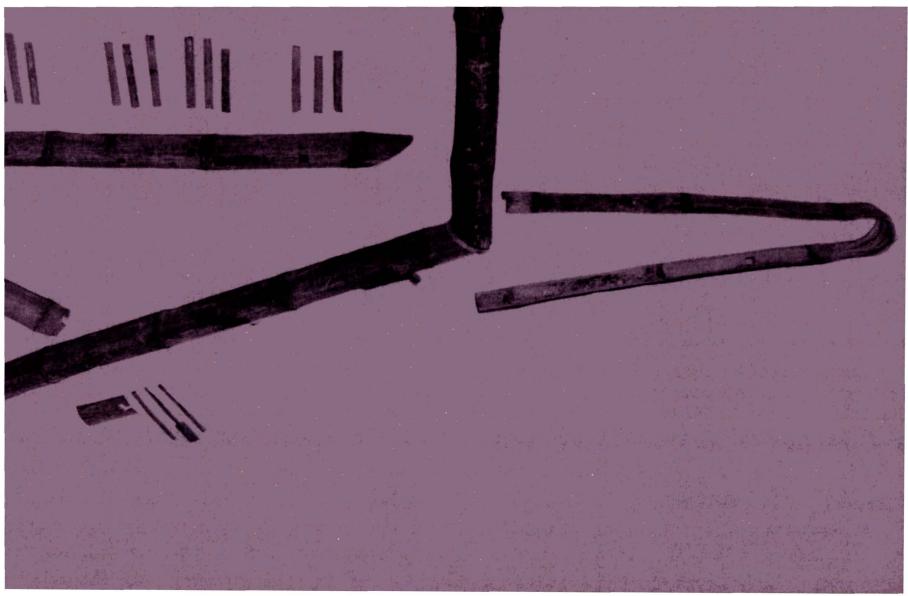
join the parts as shown.

PART 2

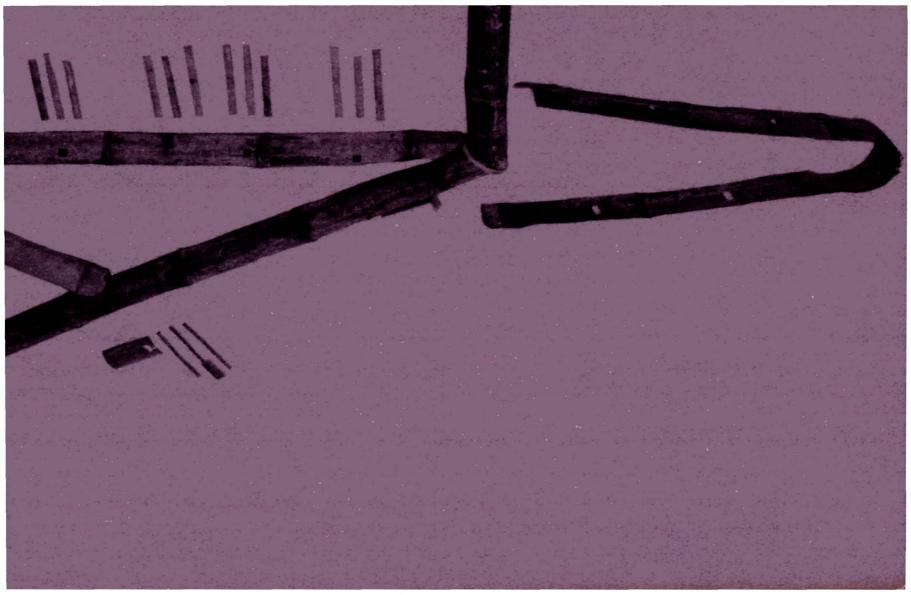




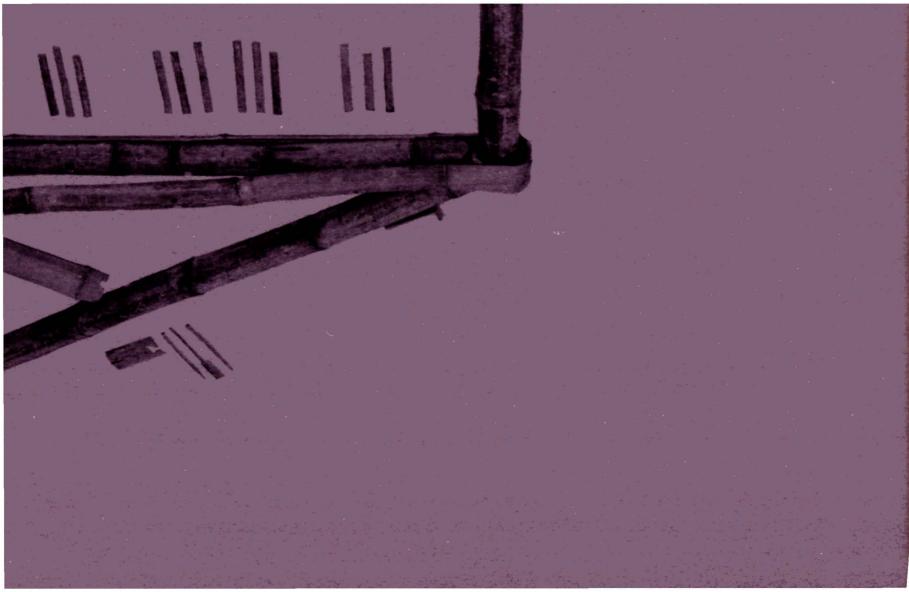
left corner, the pins put through the hole in the culm



left corner, 2 culms put together, the disk between them, the intermediate layer put in its place

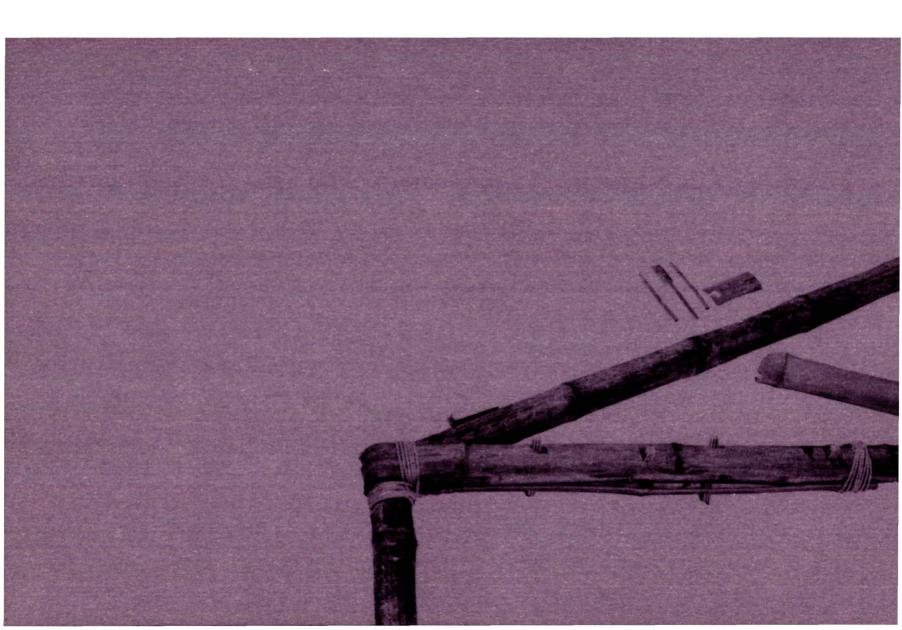


left corner, the horizontal culm put in its place

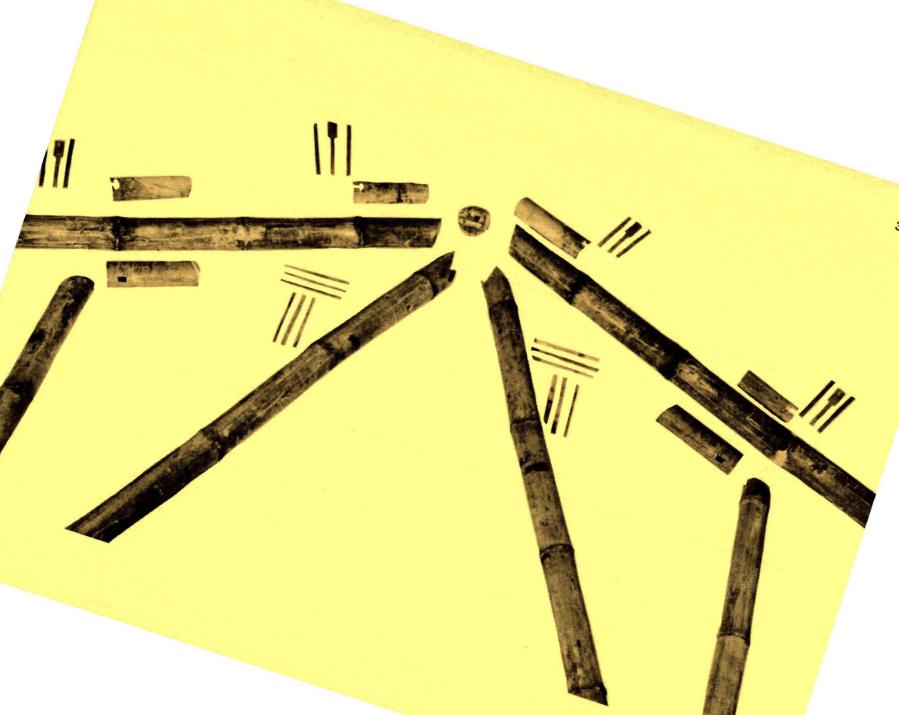


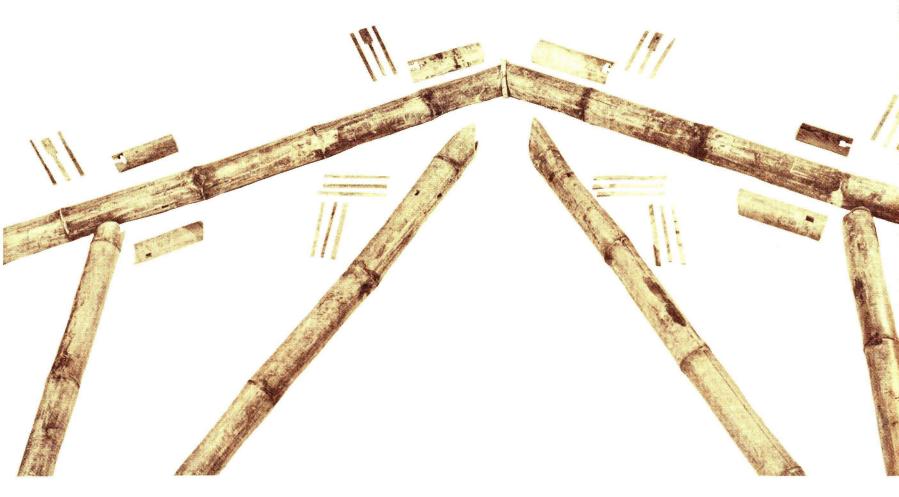


left corner, the pins put through the holes in the "hair-pin" and the culm

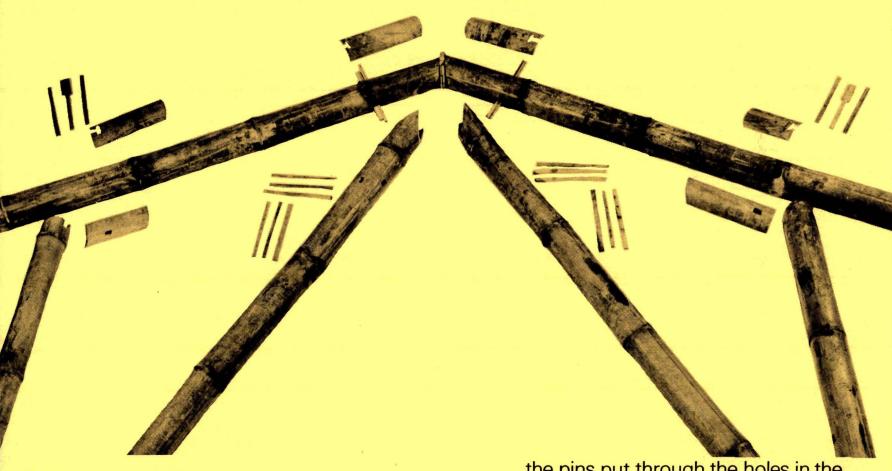


left corner, a rope fastenes the connection.

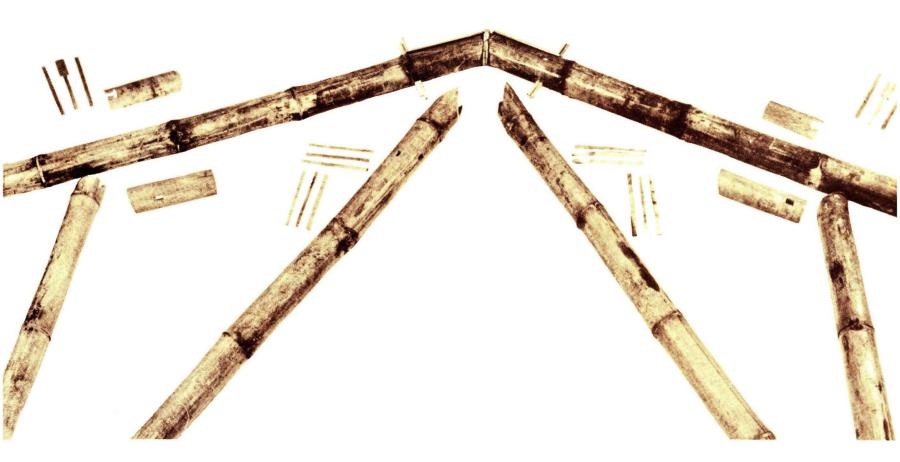




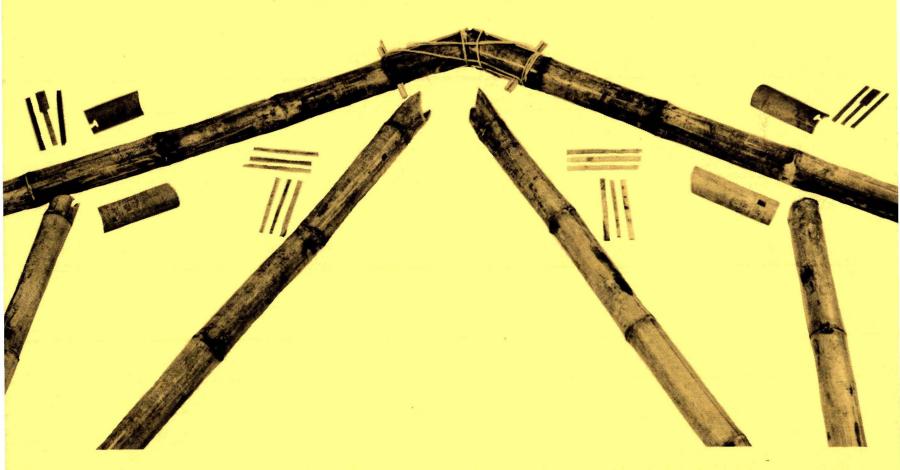
2 culms put together, the disk between them



the pins put through the holes in the upper culms



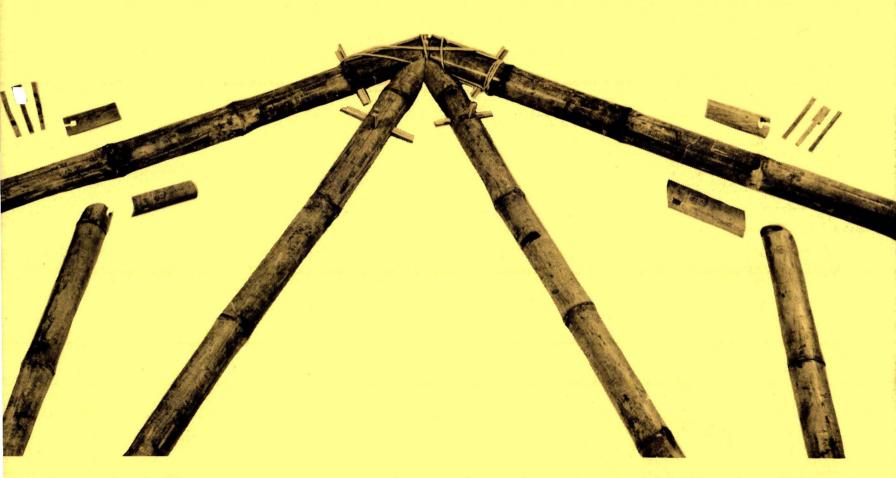
the intermediate layers put in their place



a rope fastenes the connection



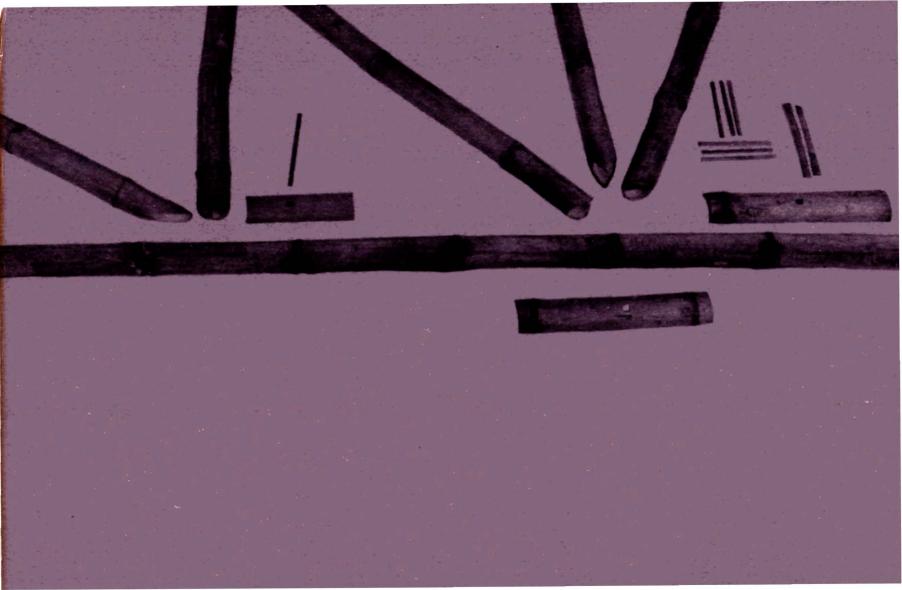
the pins put through the hole in the other culms



the culms put together



a rope fastenes the whole connection.





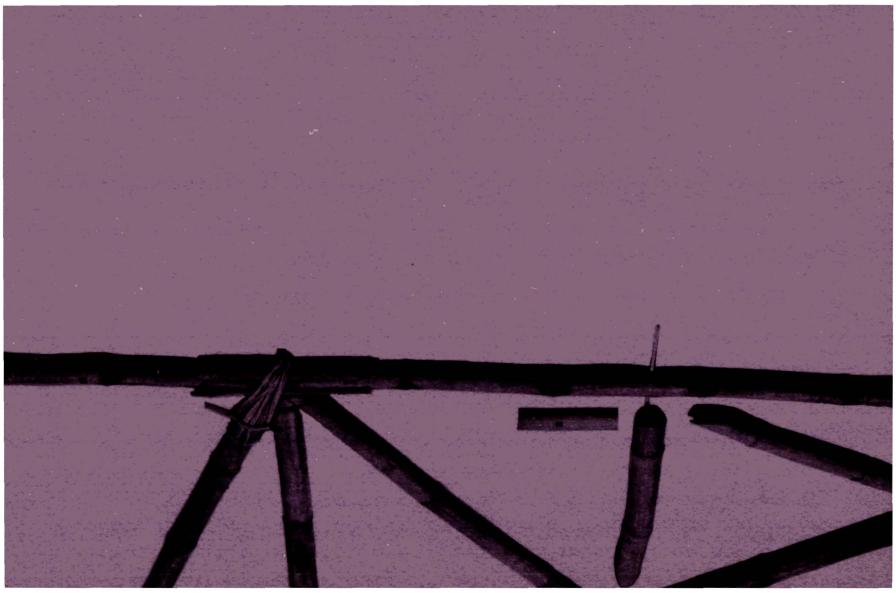
down left, the pins put through the holes



down left, the intermediate layers put in their place



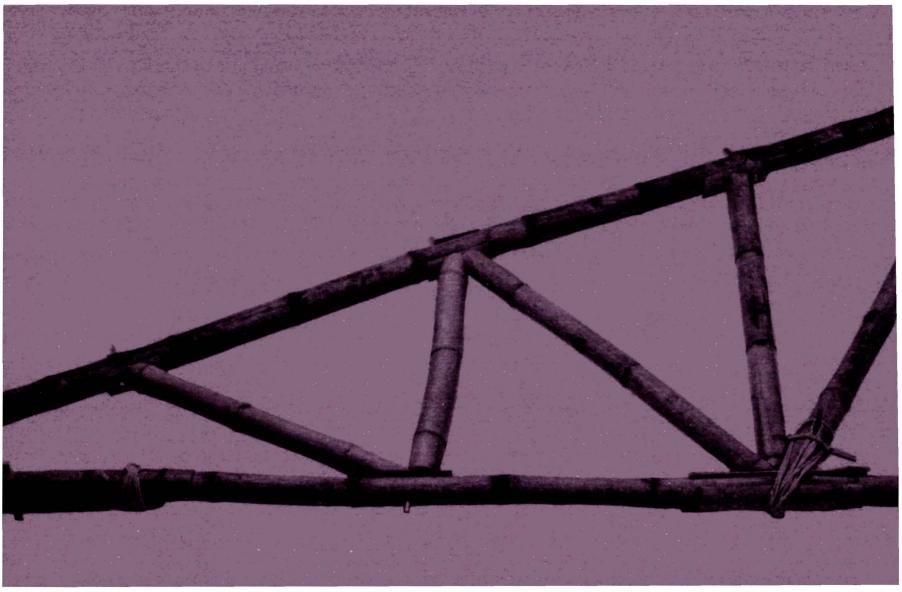
down left, a rope fastenes the connection.







up left, the pins and intermediate layers put in their place



left, all the connections are made.



left, with lashings, the total construction is fastened.

