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CAD System for Fabrication of Steel Structures of Buildings

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Synopsis :
The rationalization of steel structure fabrication by applying the CAD system has been studied. Using input data from design drawings, the system generates shop drawings, cutting templates, NC tapes and a variety of fabrication order sheets. Efficient and flexible drafting has been performed combining automated and interactive processing. This system has realized large laborsaving effects and standardization and optimization of job schedules through applications to many projects.

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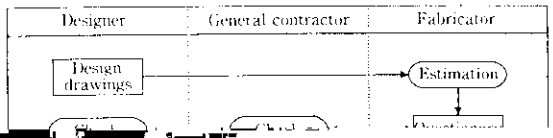


speed plotting is conducted by the collective processing

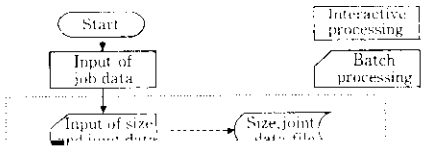
ment. It was found, however, that the structure of the

of parameter input up to the stage of rough drawings

database itself becomes complex when troublesome

centrate input data, parts and joint data that can be listed are input collectively. To raise the degree of standardization of parts to which the system can be applied,

in development load but also adverse effects on operation and response speed. It was decided, therefore, to adopt a database for each subsystem. Because the data


Start
Input of job data
Input of size
Size joint
Interactive processing
Batch processing

by selecting commands from the display menu. During

screen menus can be freely designed, and access to and

database.

commands and macroprograms prepared by the user,

5 Problems with Steel Structure CAD Systems

structure CAD systems are still being improved and, therefore, the effect of their introduction varies greatly depending on the abilities of individual oper-