# Weaving

## Weaving Project Assignment

SAMPLE DUE: Mon., Sept. 24

FINAL WEAVING DUE: Mon., Oct. 15

- 1. Construct your loom at least first 20 inches should be your weaving sampler. Experiment!
- 2. Make Horizontal Lines.
- 3. Make Vertical Lines
- 4. Weave shapes using interlocking, dovetail and slit methods.
- 5. Experiment with creating pile, such as soumak or rya knots.
- 6. Incorporate alternative materials into the weaving.
- 7. Remove your sample weaving from loom and finish the ends.

#### Your sample weaving will be critiqued in class on Sept. 24.

8. Retie your warp and create a Final Weaving. The Final Weaving must be at least 36" in length.

The Final Weaving will be critiqued on Oct. 15.

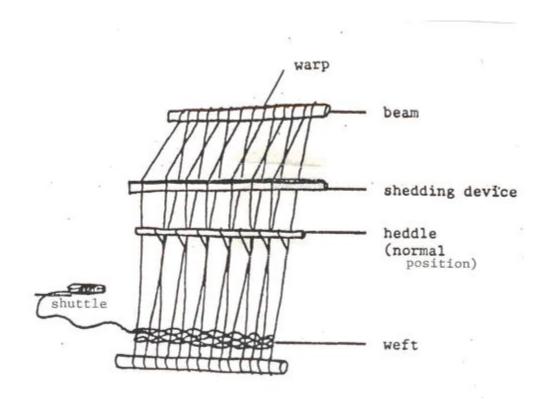
All weaving is the negotiation of a 90-degree intersection of vertically and horizontally running threads.

### Brief history of Weaving



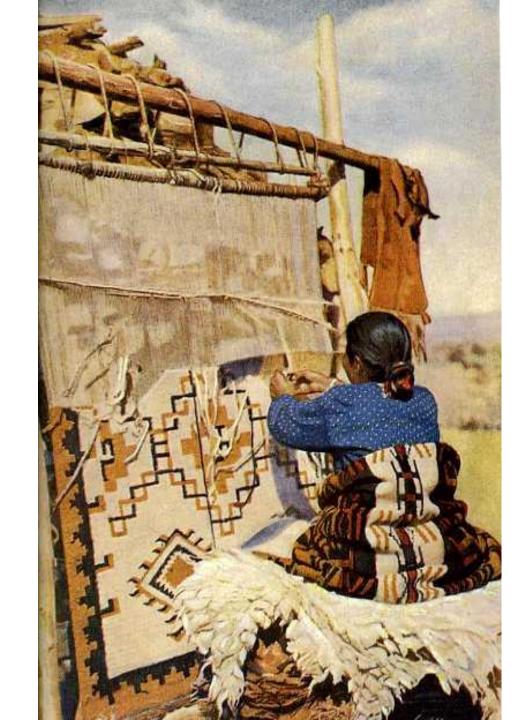
- ~7000 BCE, earliest woven fabric found in Anatolia (Turkey)
- Also appears in China, Peru and Egypt

## Basic Loom Terminology









Navajo weaver in Arizona, North America



Weighted warp loom of the ancient Greek



Weighted warp loom of the Sami people of Norway



Swedish warp weighted loom used in rural regions up until as late as 1960s



weaver in Vietnam



weaver in Ecuador

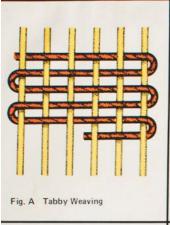


Weaver in China



weavers in Guatemala

#### WEAVING TECHNIQUES



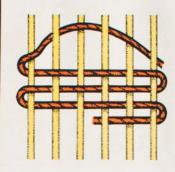


Fig. B Bubbling

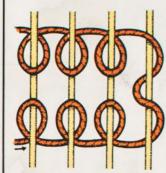


Fig. C Egyptian Knot

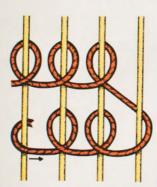


Fig. D Soumak

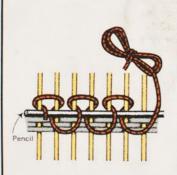


Fig. E Rya on a Pencil

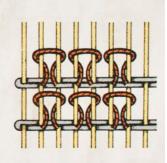


Fig. F Rya (Shag)

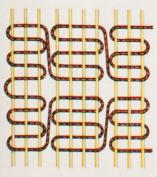


Fig. G Spanish Lace

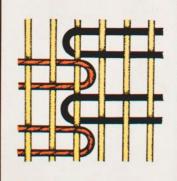


Fig. H Interlocking

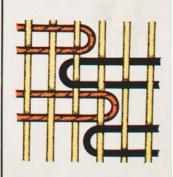
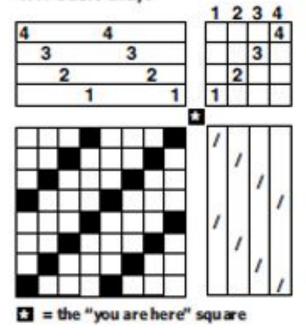


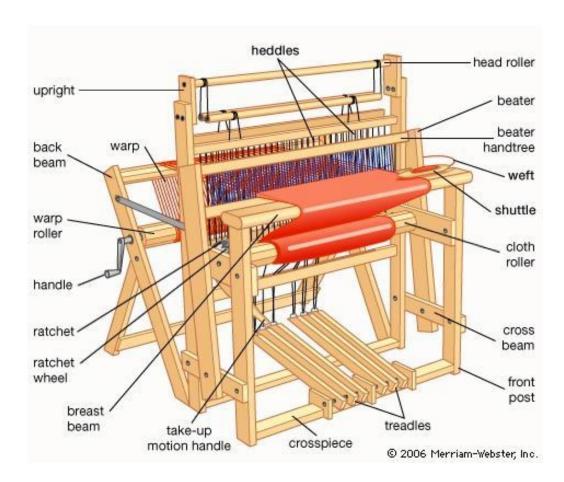
Fig. I Diagonal Interlocking





#### 1. A basic draft

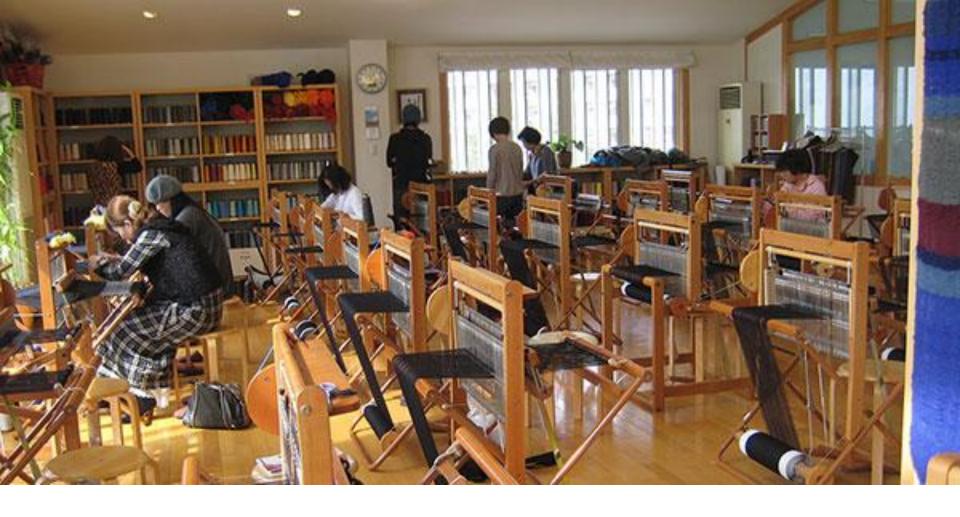








Weaving Studio at Penland craft school in North Carolina



Saori Weaving Studio in Osaka, Japan



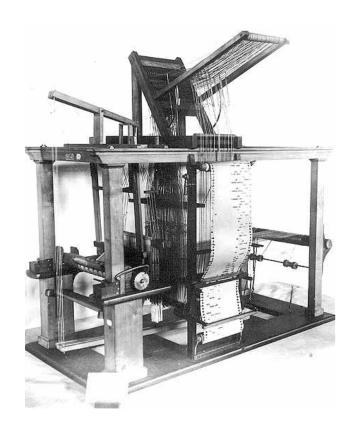


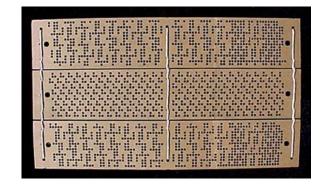
weaver using traditional loom in South Korea



Fine Ramie weaving in Korea (traditional methods)

## Jacquard Loom - 1803









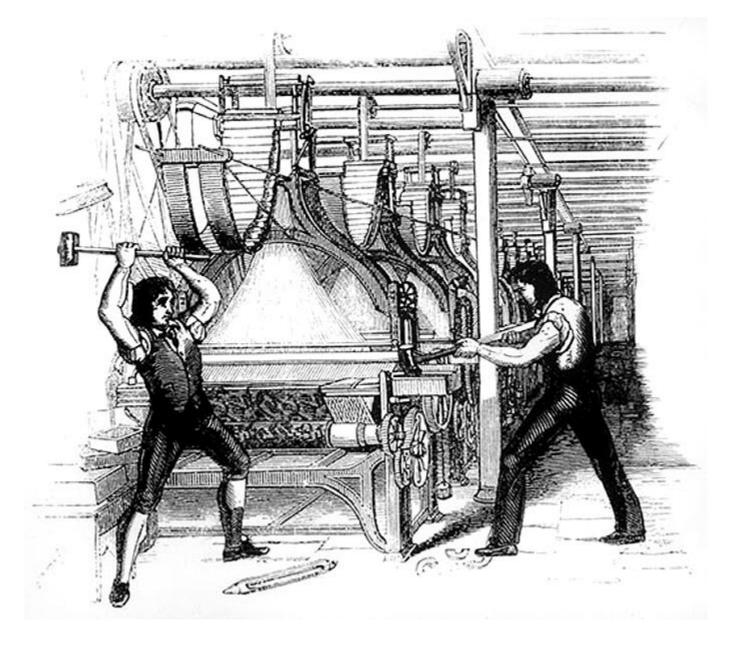
Holes in the cards control which threads are raised for weaving the pattern



Weaving in India with specialized Jacquard Looms present day



Weaving in England with specialized Jacquard lace loom, early 20th century



#### Luddites - Frame Breaking

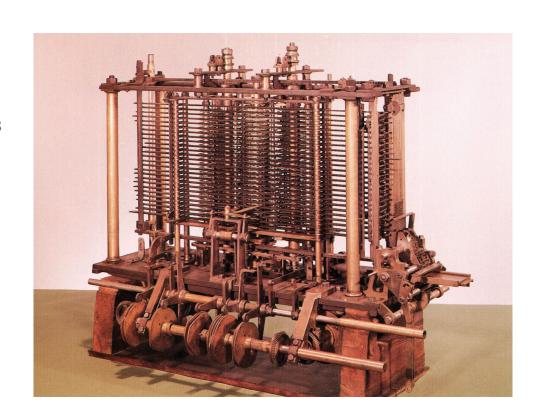
The Luddite movement began in Nottingham and culminated in a region-wide rebellion that lasted from 1811 to 1816. Luddites feared correctly that the time spent learning the skills of their craft would go to waste as machines would replace their role in the industry.



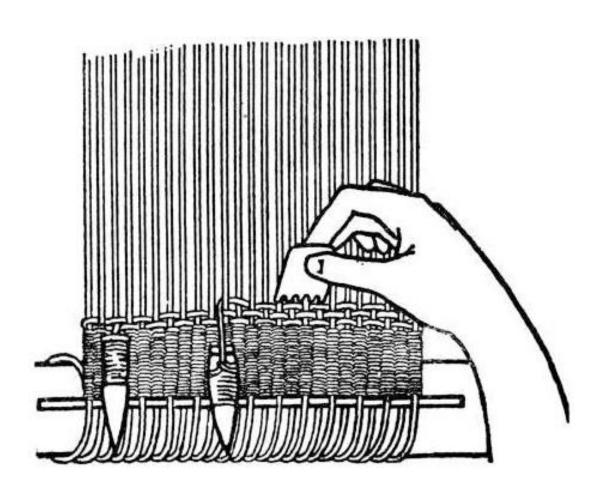
English weaving factory, 19th century

#### Weaving and Computing

- Using punch cards to store and control sequence of operations
- 1837: Charles Babbage and Ada Lovelace,
  Analytical Engine,
  first general purpose machine



## Tapestry





#### What do you see?

Tunic with Crescent Headdress Figures and Felines c 1450-1550 Geography:Peru Culture:Chimu Medium:Camelid hair, cotton





**Tasseled Tunic**, 1100–1250 Peru, north coast, Chimu style Camelid hair, cotton; tapestry weave and tassels;



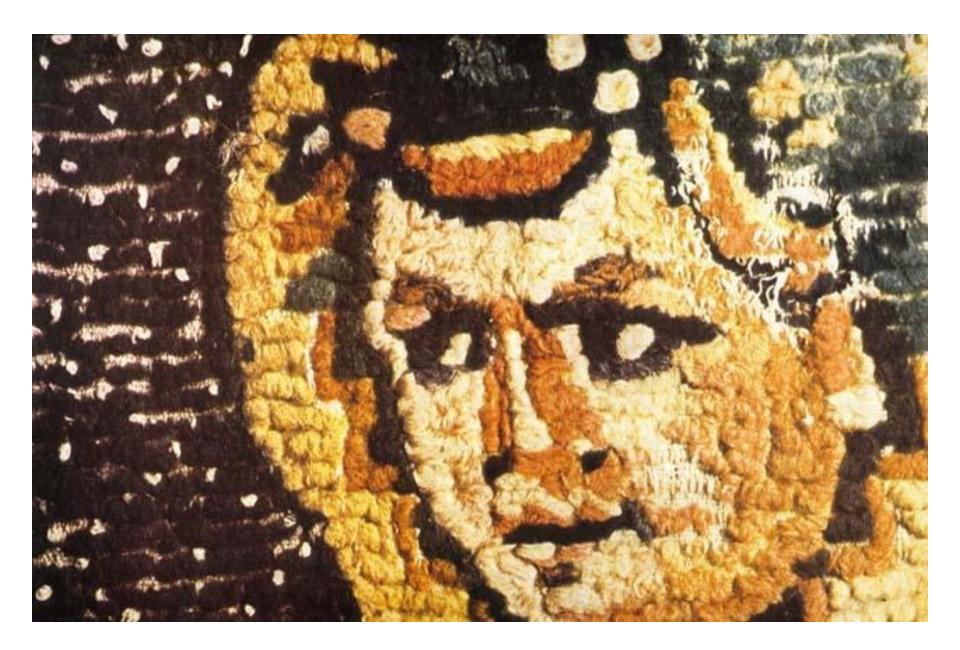
**Tunic with Confronting Mythical Serpents**, ca. 800–850

Peru, south coast, Nasca-Wari style

Camelid hair; tapestry weave; 21 1/2 x 43 1/2 in. (54.6 x 109.9 cm)



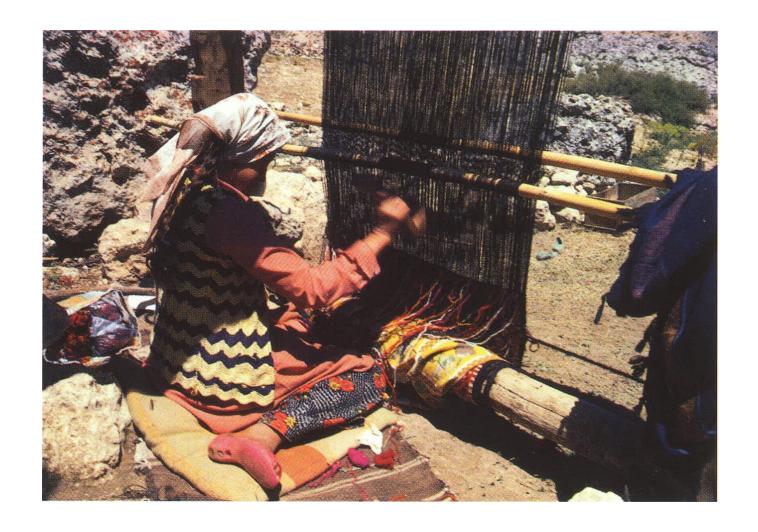
Coptic fragment with goddess Egyptian circa late 3rd to 4th century





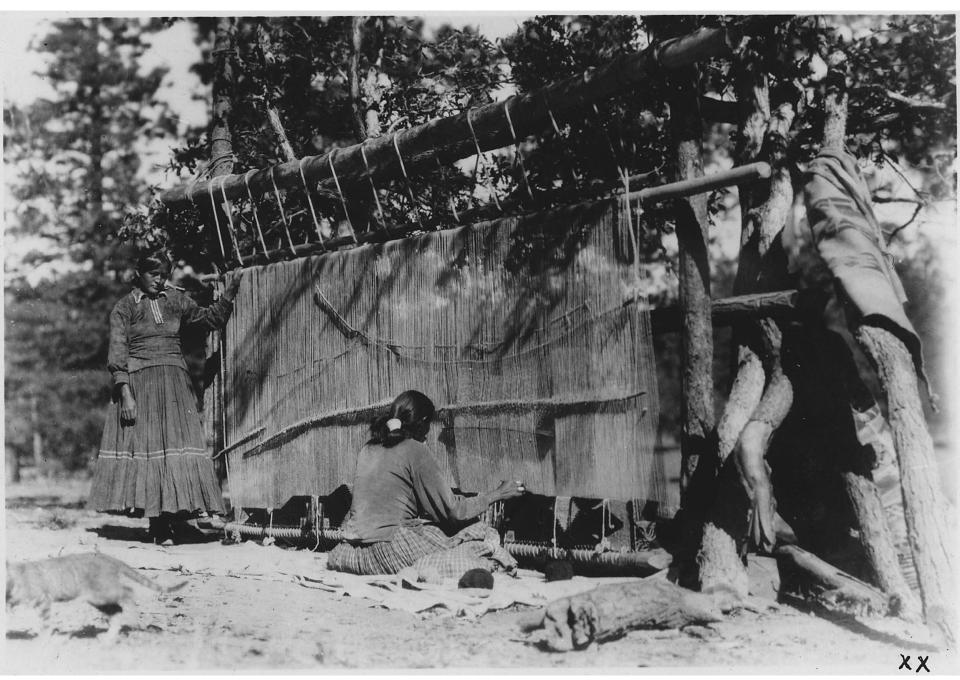
Egyptian Coptic fragment 4th-6th century linen and wool





Rug Weaver in Turkey





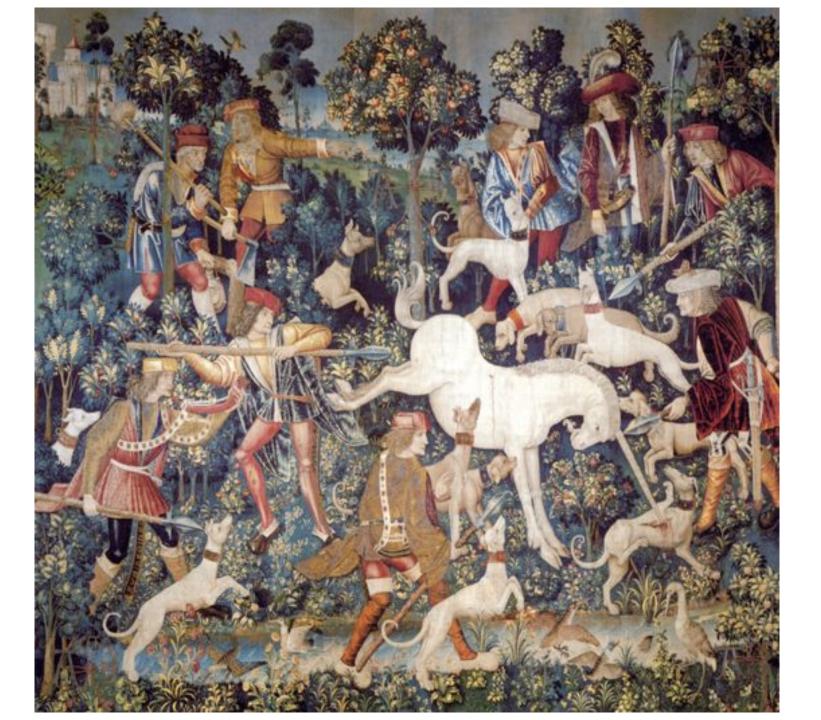
Navajo weaver - early 20th century







15th century, Flemish - **The Hunt of the Unicorn**, or the **Unicorn Tapestries**, is a series of seven tapestries dating from between 1495 and 1505, now in The Cloisters in New York, probably woven in Netherlands.

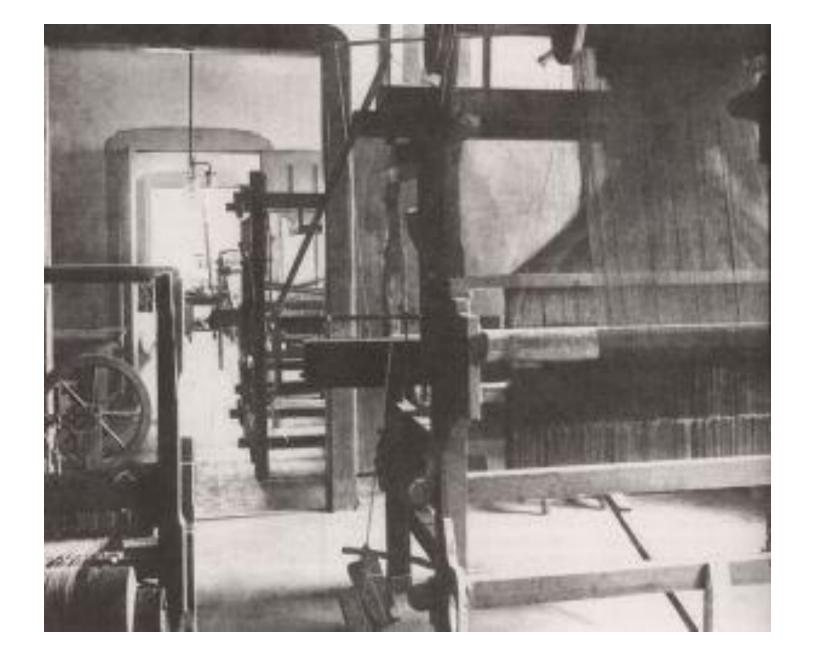




**The Lady and the Unicorn** is the modern title given to a series of six tapestries woven in Flanders from wool and silk, from designs ("cartoons") drawn in Paris around 1500 and is often considered one of the greatest works of art of the Middle Ages in Europe







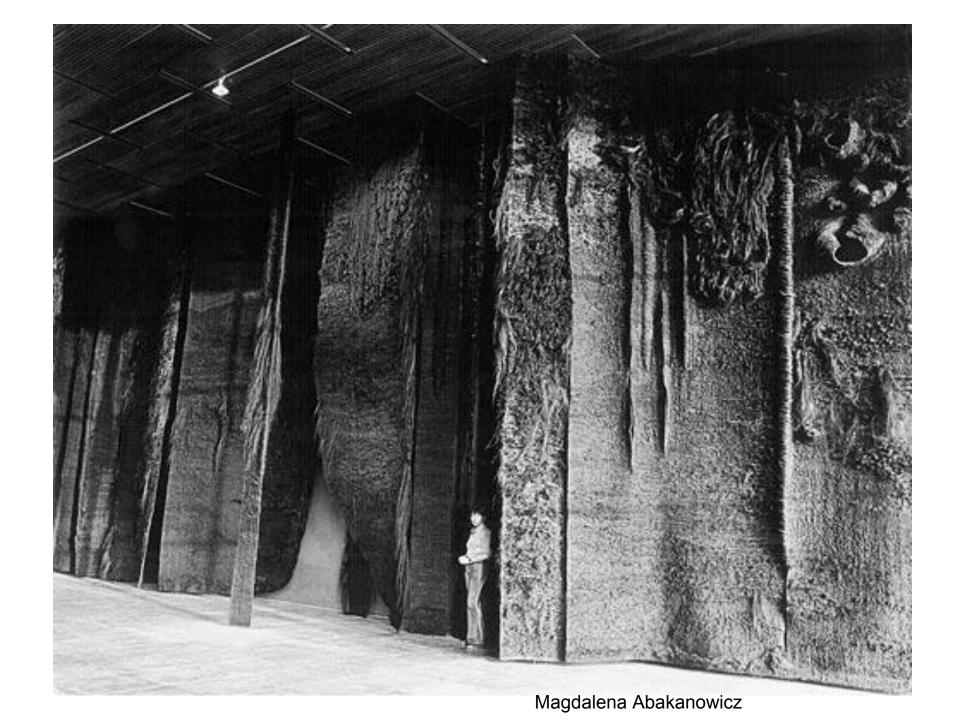
1920s Bauhaus weaving studio







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Afghan Rugs



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