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LECTURE 11 –

JOINTS – AXIALLY LOADED NAILS/SCREWS

SLS DESIGN

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Topic

- Joints – axially loaded nails/screws
- Mechanical and glued connections, SLS design
- [DoTS: Chapter 4]

Content

- Axially loaded fasteners
- Moment resisting connections
- Design for SLS
- Design examples H3

Intended Learning Outcomes of this lecture

- You know different fasteners with for axial load-transfer
- You can calculate the axial load-carrying capacity of different fasteners
- You can determine the actions on fasteners in moment resisting connections
- You can calculate the deformation and slip of connections

Overview

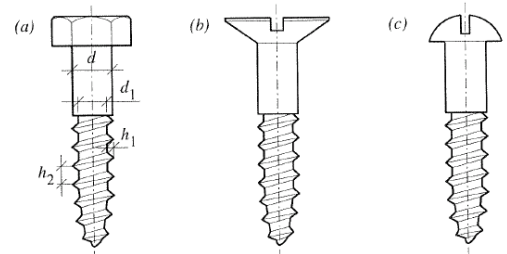
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 - b) countersunk head screw
 - c) round head screw



Typical wood screws: (a) coach screw (b) countersunk head (c) round head.



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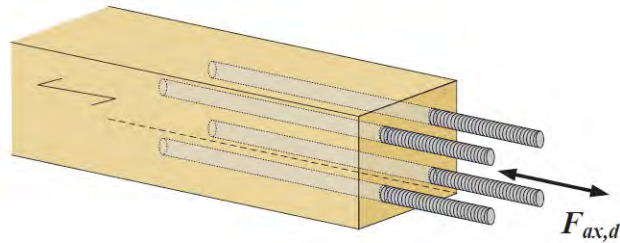


Throughout **bolts**
with washers and nuts

Diameter 6 - 30 mm
Length up to 500 mm

Axially loaded fasteners

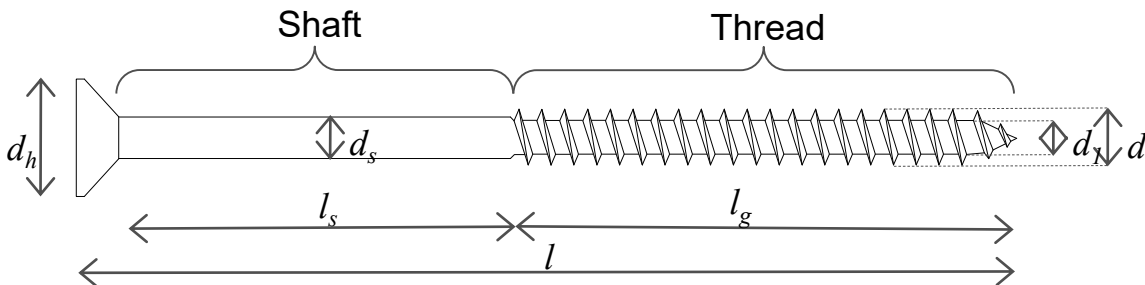
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 - Bonded-in rods



Source: Henkel AG

Screws

Screws - general



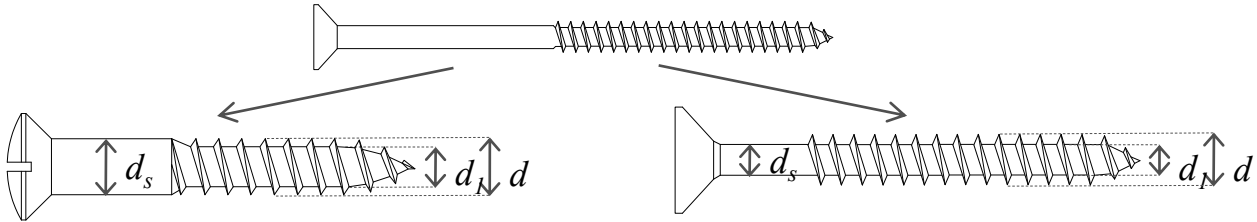
- d Diameter; Outer thread diameter
- d_1 Inner thread diameter
- d_s Diameter of the shaft part
- d_h Head diameter of screws
- l Length
- l_g Length of the threaded part
- l_s Length of the shaft

EN 14592



$$2.4 \text{ mm} \leq d \leq 24 \text{ mm}$$

Screws – production method



Lag screws

- Thread cut into the wire (DIN 7998):

$$d_s = d$$

$$d_1/d = 0.7 - 0.75$$

- Mostly low carbonated steel

Self-tapping screw

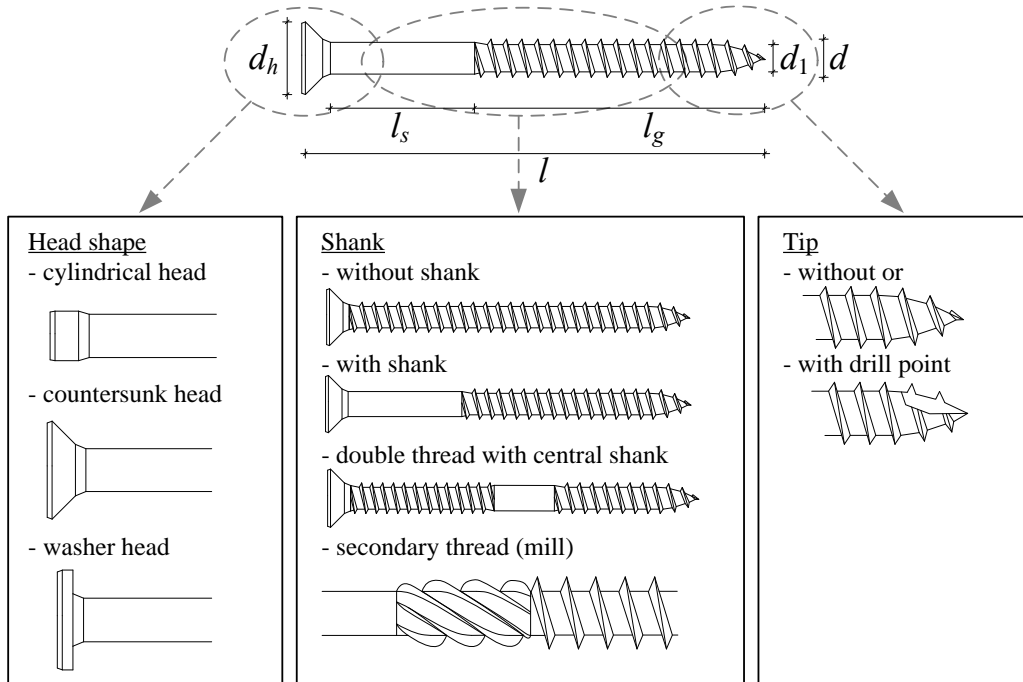
- Thread forged or rolled from the wire:

$$d_s \approx d_1$$

$$0.6 \leq d_1/d \leq 0.6$$

- Large diversity of screw heads, thread, screw tip etc.
- Mostly high carbonated steel

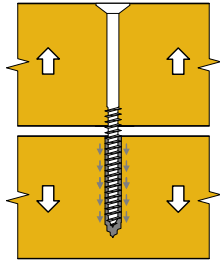
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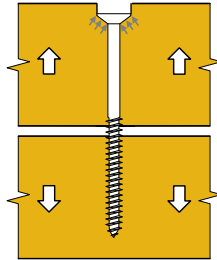
Failure modes situations

- Axial failure modes

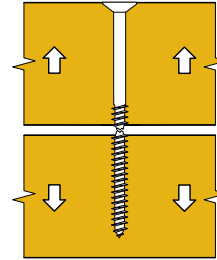
- Withdrawal



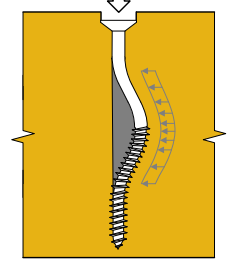
- Head pull-through



- Tension

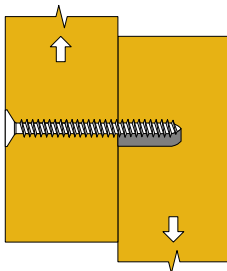


- Buckling

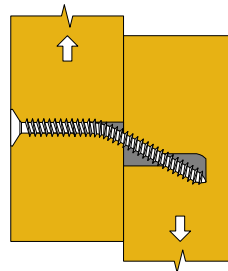


- Lateral failure modes (Johansen theory, European Yield Model)

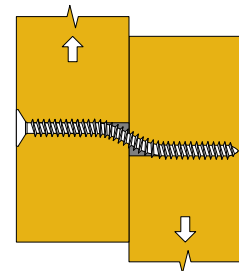
- Embedment failure



- Combined failure



- Ductile failure



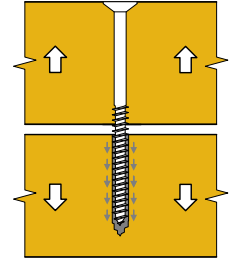
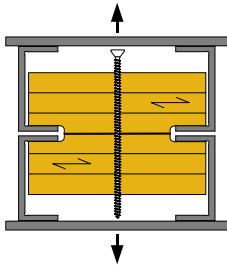
Withdrawal

- Withdrawal capacity

$$F_{ax,k,Rk} = f_{ax,k} d l_{ef}$$

- Withdrawal parameter (EN 1382)

$$f_{ax} = \frac{F_{\max}}{d l_{ef}}$$

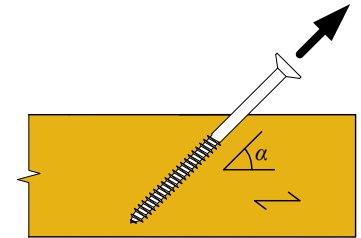
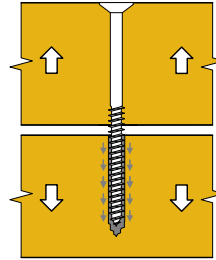


Withdrawal

- Withdrawal resistance

- EN 1995-1-1(2008)

- General values for $\alpha \geq 30^\circ$
- Effective penetration depth $l_{ef} \geq 6d$
- $6 \text{ mm} \leq d \leq 12 \text{ mm}$
- $0.6 \leq d_v/d \leq 0.75$



$$F_{ax,k,Rk} = \frac{n_{ef} f_{ax,k} d l_{ef} k_d}{1.2 \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha}$$

$$f_{ax,k} = 0.52 d^{-0.5} l_{ef}^{-0.1} \rho_k^{0.8}$$

$$k_d = \min \left\{ \frac{d}{8}, 1 \right\} \quad n_{ef} = n^{0.9}$$

- Product specific values

$$F_{ax,\alpha,Rk} = \frac{n_{ef} f_{ax,k} d l_{ef}}{1.2 \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha} \left(\frac{\rho_k}{\rho_a} \right)^{0.8}$$

Withdrawal failure

- Case 1
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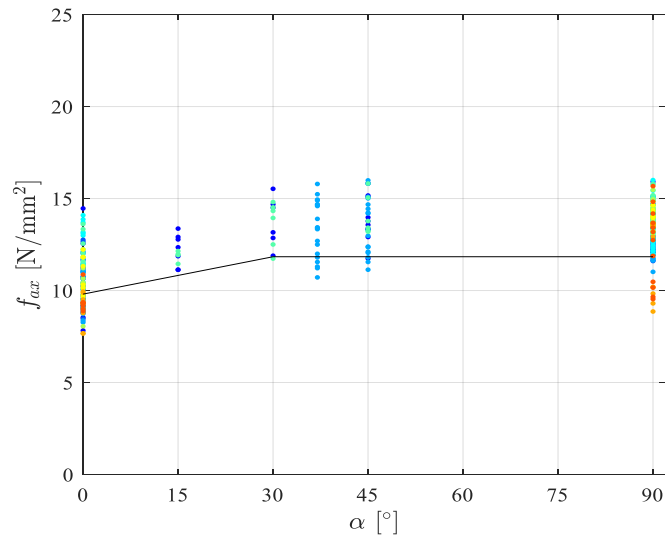
- Case 2
- Screw perpendicular to the grain



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Test results

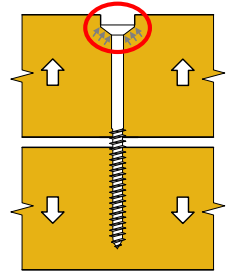


Head pull-through resistance

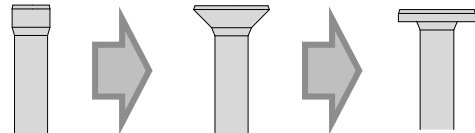
- EN 1995-1-1 (2008)

$$F_{ax,\alpha,Rk} = n_{ef} f_{head,k} d_h^2 \left(\frac{\rho_k}{\rho_a} \right)^{0.8}$$

- d_h diameter of the screw head
- ρ_k, ρ_a char. und reference density for $f_{head,k}$ according to EN 14592
- the characteristic pull-through parameter $f_{head,k}$ strongly depends on the shape of the screw head!



For higher head pull-through resistance
use washers or plate heads!

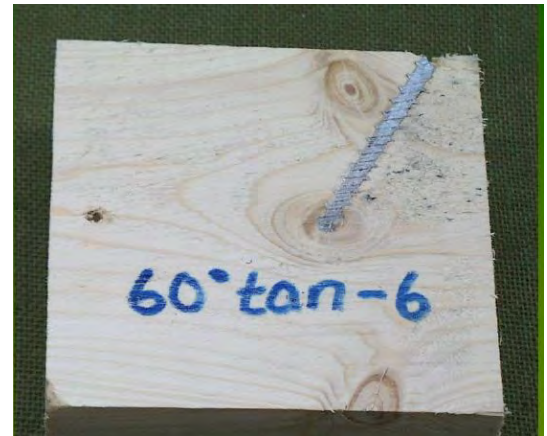
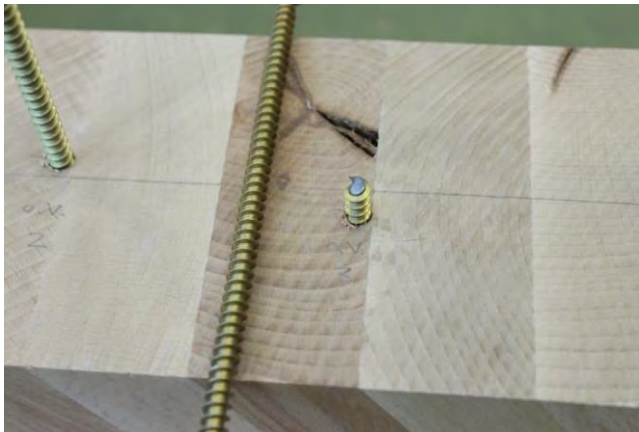


Tensile failure of the screw

- EN 1995-1-1 (2008)
 - characteristic tensile resistance
(head tear-off or tensile capacity of shank)

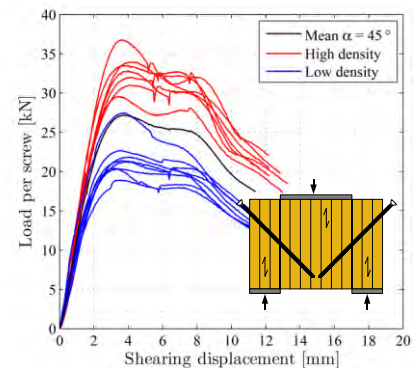
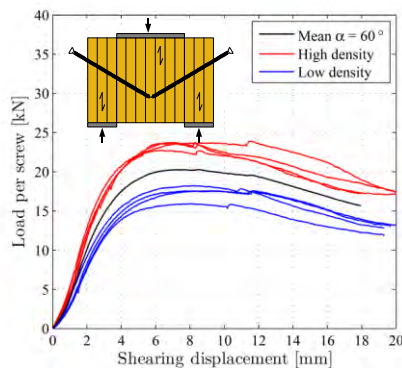
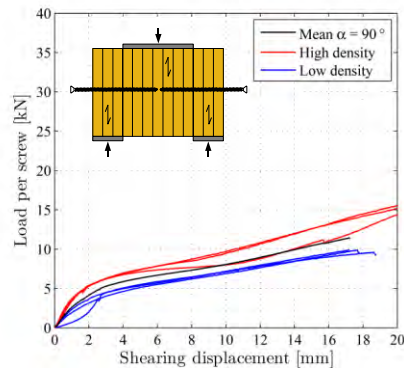
$$F_{t,Rk} = n_{ef} f_{tens,k}$$

- $f_{tens,k}$ characteristic tensile capacity



Inclined screws

- Influence of the screw inclination

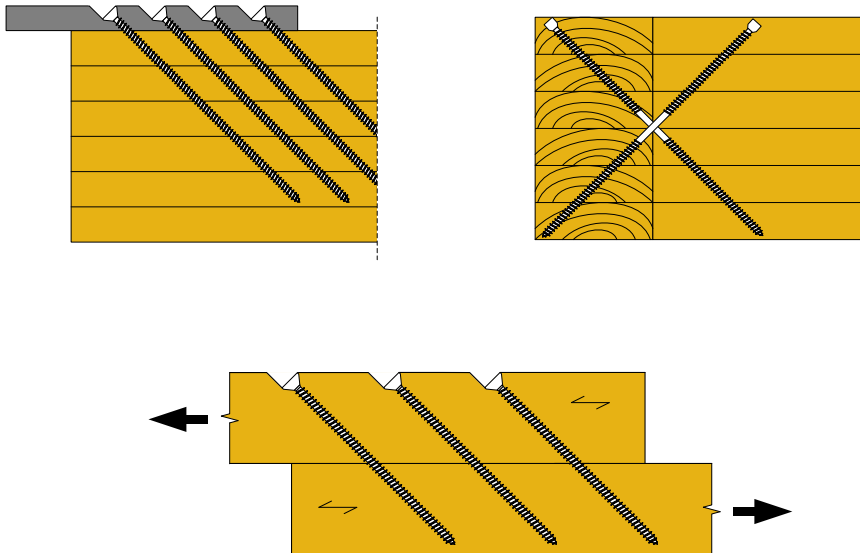


➡ Incline screw to achieve

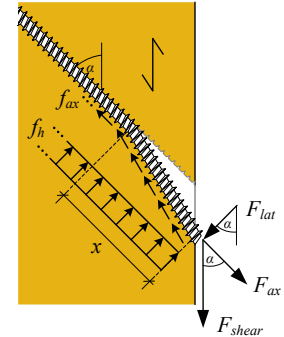
- High strength
- High stiffness

Inclined screws

- Self-tapping screws with inclination
- Shear connection



Inclined screws



- Interaction of lateral and withdrawal capacity

- Bejtka and Blass:

$$R = R_{ax}(\mu \sin \alpha + \cos \alpha) + R_{lat}(\sin \alpha - \mu \cos \alpha)$$

- Joint stiffness

- Tomasi et al.

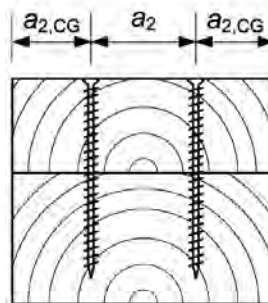
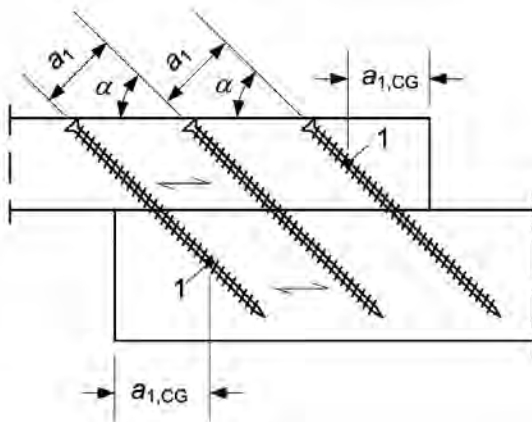
$$K_{ser} = K_{ax} \cos \alpha (\cos \alpha + \mu \sin \alpha) + K_{lat} \sin \alpha (\sin \alpha - \mu \cos \alpha)$$



Spacing and distances of screws

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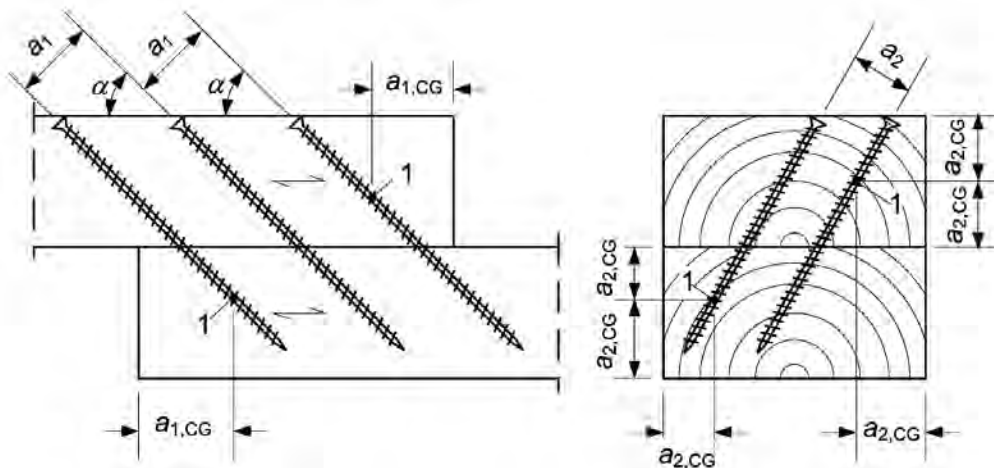
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Inclined screws

- Applications



Source: Wiehag

Buckling

- Pushing-in of the screws



- Buckling of the screws



Screws under compression loading

- Buckling with elastic bedding

$$F_{ax,c,Rk} = k_c f_{y,k} \pi \frac{d_1^2}{4}$$

- buckling factor

$$k_c = \frac{1}{k + \sqrt{k^2 - \lambda_{rel}^2}} \leq 1$$

$$k = 0.5[1 + 0.49(\lambda_{rel} - 0.2) + \lambda_{rel}^2]$$

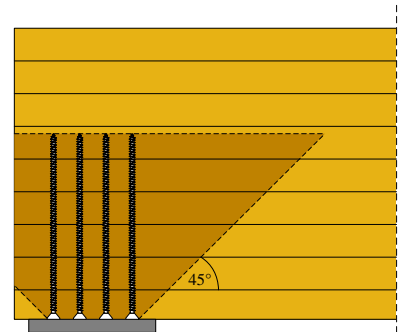
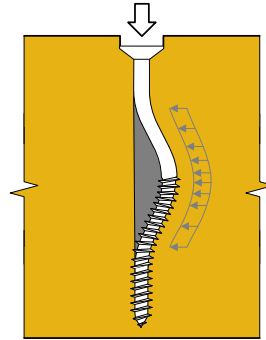
- relative slenderness

$$\lambda_{rel} = \sqrt{\frac{N_{pl,k}}{N_{ki,k}}}$$

- plastic and critical load

$$N_{pl,k} = f_{y,k} \pi \frac{d_1^2}{4} \quad N_{ki,k} = (1 \sim 2) \sqrt{c_h E_k \pi \frac{d_1^4}{64}}$$

- bedding coefficient
- $$c_h = \frac{(0.22 + 0.014d)\rho}{1.17 \sin \alpha^2 + \cos \alpha^2}$$



Nails

Axial capacity of nails

- The tensile capacity depends on:
 - The roughness along the nail, f_{ax}
 - The anchorage capacity of nail head, f_{head}
- For smooth nails

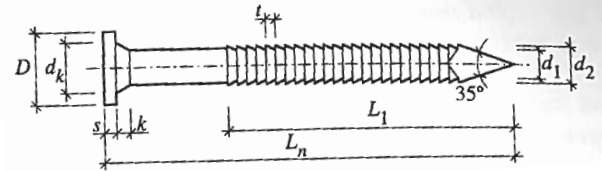
$$f_{ax,k} = 20 \cdot 10^{-6} \rho_k^2$$

$$f_{head,k} = 70 \cdot 10^{-6} \rho_k^2$$

ρ_k [kg/m³]
 f_{ax}, f_{head} [N/mm²]

- Minimum penetration of $8d$
- Providing that the penetration length is at least $12d$,
if less it is multiplied by $(t_{pen}/4d - 2)$

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 - The anchorage capacity of nail head, f_{head}
- For annular ring shanked nails

$$f_{ax,k} = 65 \cdot 10^{-6} \rho_k^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_k & \quad [\text{kg/m}^3] \\ f_{ax} & \quad [\text{N/mm}^2] \\ L_1 & = 2/3 L_n \end{aligned}$$

- Minimum penetration of $6d$
- Providing that the penetration length is at least $8d$, if less it is multiplied by $(t_{pen}/2d - 3)$

Axial capacity of nails

- Other than smooth nails

$$F_{ax} = \min \begin{cases} f_{ax,k} \cdot d \cdot t_{pen} \\ f_{head,k} \cdot d_{head}^2 \end{cases}$$



EC5, Eq. 8.23

- Smooth nails

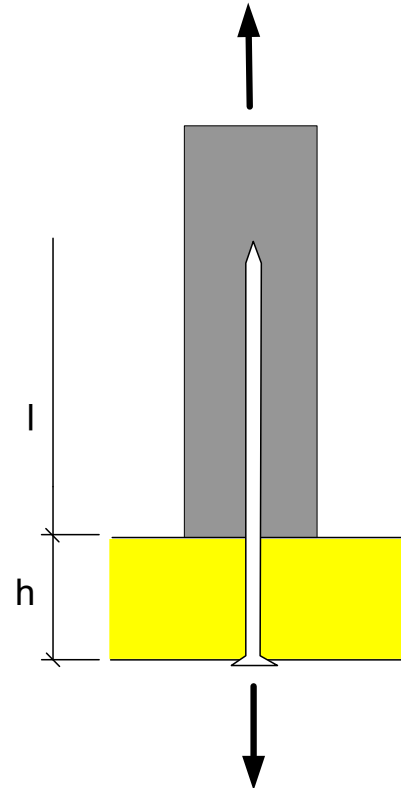
$$F_{ax} = \min \begin{cases} f_{ax,k} \cdot d \cdot t_{pen} \\ f_{ax,k} \cdot d \cdot t_{headside} + f_{head,k} \cdot d_{head}^2 \end{cases}$$



EC5, Eq. 8.24

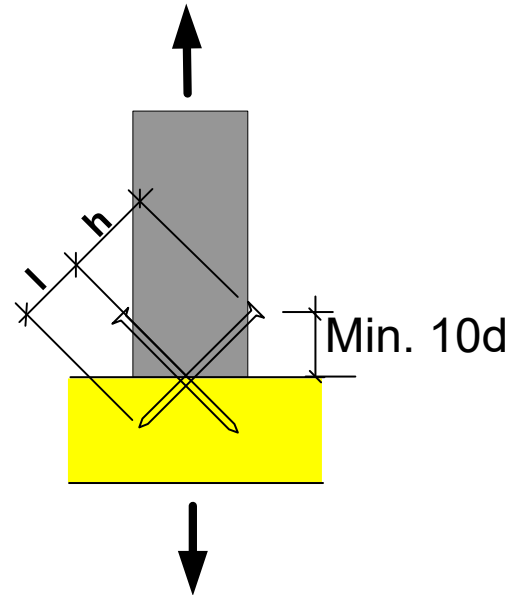
Axially loaded nails

- Penetration length l should be as a minimum $12d$ for smooth nails and $8d$ for other nails



Axially loaded nails

- Slant nailing



**Do not trust smooth
nails in tension!
Timber might dry,
shrink, crack**

Bolts

Bolts – axial capacity

- The withdrawal capacity depends on anchorage capacity of washers and nuts and the strength of bolt

$$F_{ax,washer,k} = 3 \cdot f_{c,90,k} \cdot A_{washer}$$

- Strength class

Bolt class	4.6	5.6	6.8	8.8	10.9
f_{yb} (N/mm ²)	240	300	480	640	900
f_{ub} (N/mm ²)	400	500	600	800	1000

Bolts – axial capacity

- (1) The axial load-bearing capacity and withdrawal capacity of a bolt should be taken as the lower value of:
- the bolt tensile capacity;
 - the load-bearing capacity of either the washer or (for steel-to-timber connections) the steel plate.
- (2) The bearing capacity of a washer should be calculated assuming a characteristic compressive strength on the contact area of $3,0f_{c,90,k}$.
- (3) The bearing capacity per bolt of a steel plate should not exceed that of a circular washer with a diameter which is the minimum of:
- $12t$, where t is the plate thickness;
 - $4d$, where d is the bolt diameter.

General

Combined loading

- If the fastener is subjected to combined effect of shear and tension then:

- Smooth nails

$$\frac{F_{ax,Ed}}{F_{ax,Rd}} + \frac{F_{v,Ed}}{F_{v,Rd}} \leq 1 \quad \text{Eq. 8.27}$$

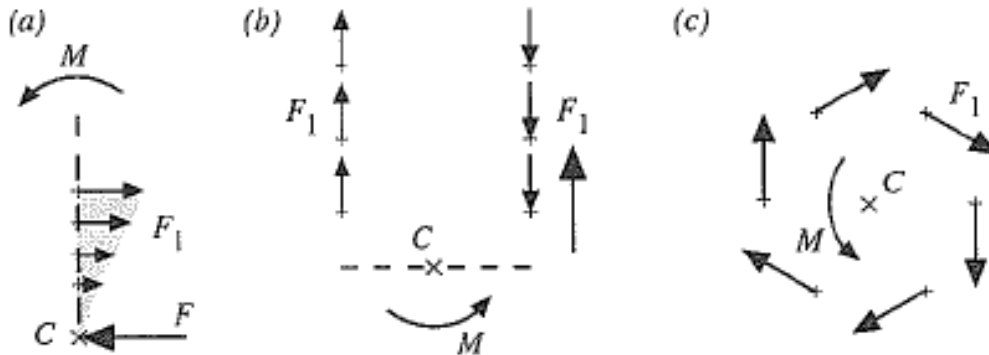
- Other than smooth nails and screws

$$\left(\frac{F_{ax,Ed}}{F_{ax,Rd}} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{F_{v,Ed}}{F_{v,Rd}} \right)^2 \leq 1 \quad \text{Eq. 8.28}$$

Moment resisting connections



Moment resisting connections



Force diagrams on the fasteners in moment-resisting joints.

Moment resisting connections - Procedure

1. Translate the force to center of gravity of joint
2. The vertical component of the force will be equally taken by each fastener, $F_{yi} = F/n$
3. The force due to moment in each fastener will be

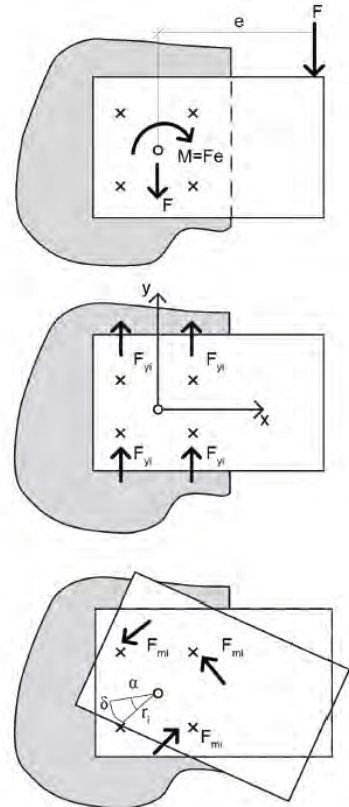
$$I_p = \sum r_i^2 = \sum (x_i^2 + y_i^2) \quad F_{mi} = K \cdot \alpha \cdot r_i = \frac{M \cdot r_i}{I_p}$$

$$F_{mxi} = -\frac{M \cdot y_i}{I_p} \quad F_{myi} = -\frac{M \cdot x_i}{I_p}$$

4. Vector summation gives

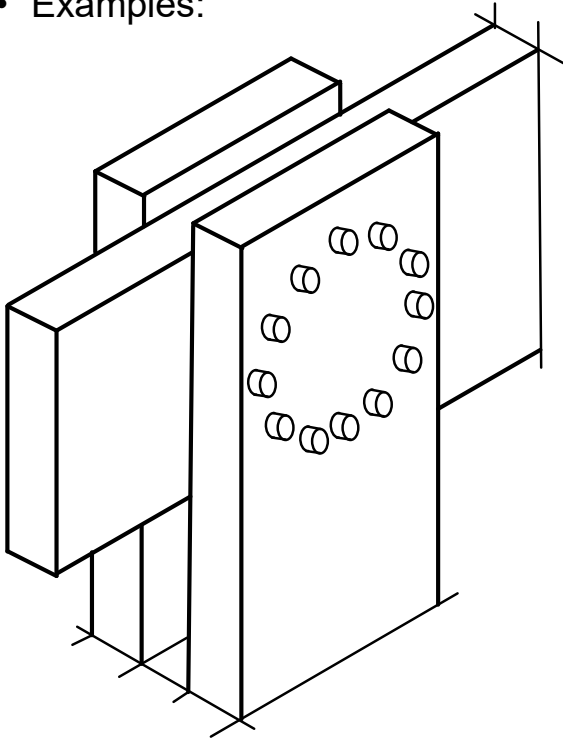
$$F_i = \sqrt{(F_{xi} + F_{mxi})^2 + (F_{yi} + F_{myi})^2}$$

- Which should be compared with strength of a single fastener



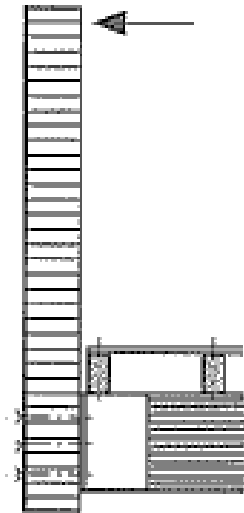
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- Examples:

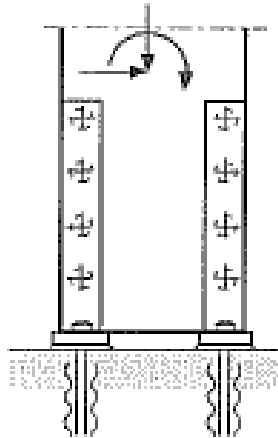


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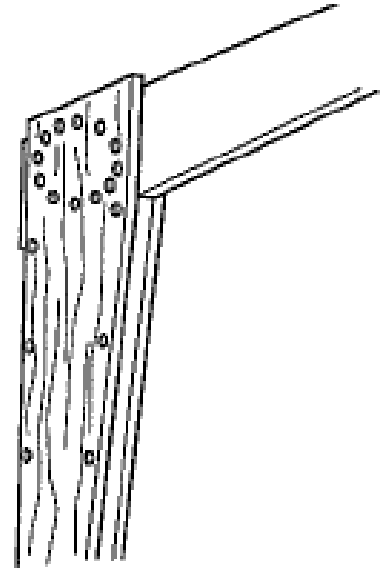
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(a)



(b)

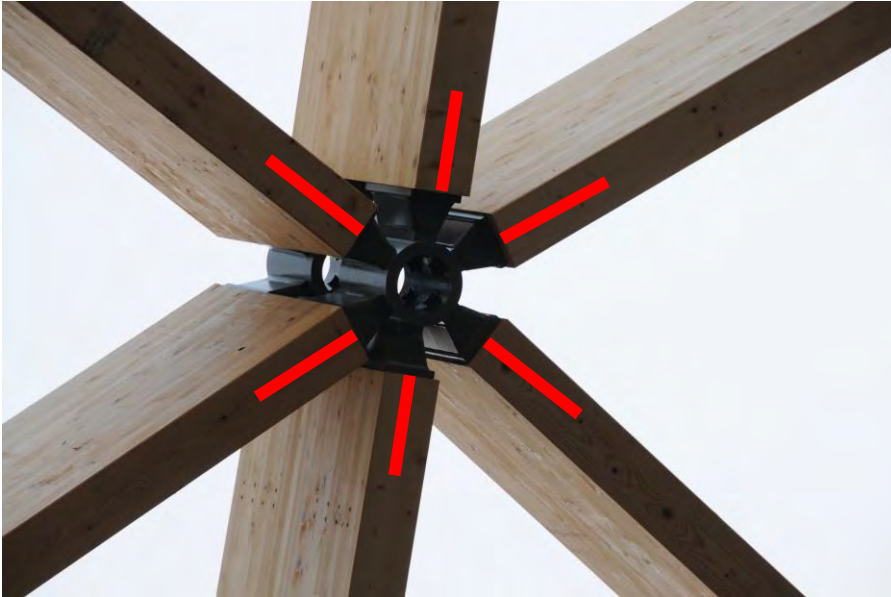


(c)



Bonded-in rods/ Glued-in rods

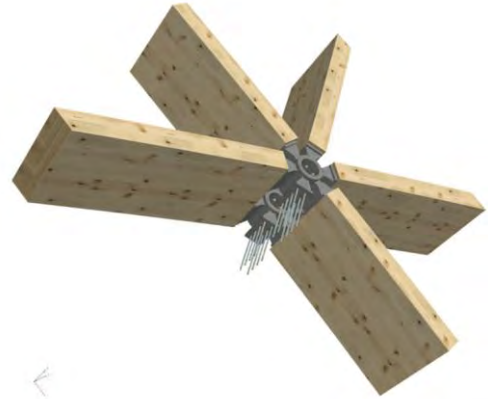
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Pictures: Häring AG



Bonded-in rods

Materials

- Timber
 - Glued laminated timber Glulam
 - Laminated veneer lumber LVL
 - Cross laminated timber CLT
- Adhesive
 - Tested according to prEN 17334
 - PUR
 - Epoxy
- Rods
 - Metric Threaded Rods
 - Ribbed Rods



Bonded-in rods

Failure modes:

- tension failure of the rod
- compression (buckling) failure of the rod
- failure of the adhesive in the bondline and its bond to rod and timber
- shear failure of the timber adjacent to the bondline
- splitting of the timber departing from the Bonded-in-rods
- timber failure of the member in the surrounding of the glued-in-rod

Bonded-in rods

- Axial resistance of the bonded-in rod

$$F_{ax,Rd} = \min \begin{cases} F_{ax,rod,Rd} \\ F_{ax,b,Rd} \end{cases}$$

- with

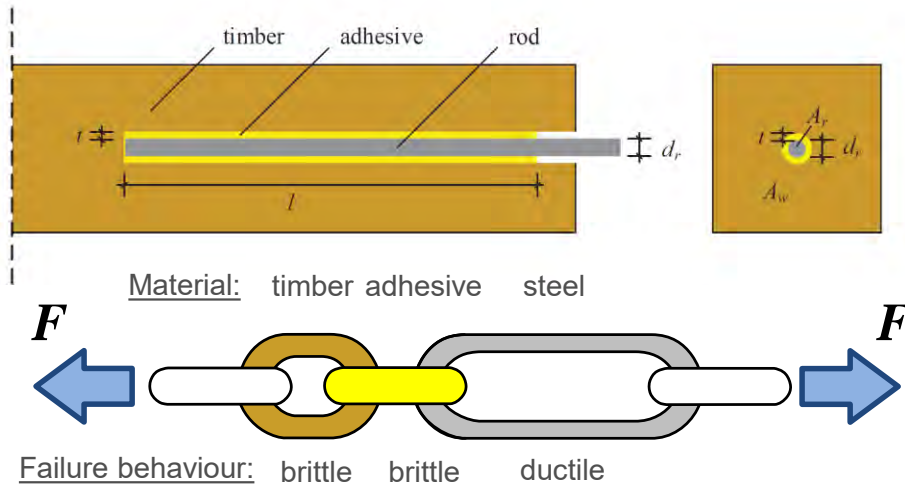
$$F_{ax,rod,Rd} = \min \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\gamma_{M,0}} A_s f_{y,k} \\ \frac{1}{\gamma_{M,2}} 0.9 A_s f_{u,k} \end{cases}$$

Resistance of the rod

$$F_{ax,b,Rd} = \frac{k_{mod}}{\gamma_M} \pi d l_{b,eff} f_{k,1,k}$$

Resistance of the bondline

Bonded-in rods

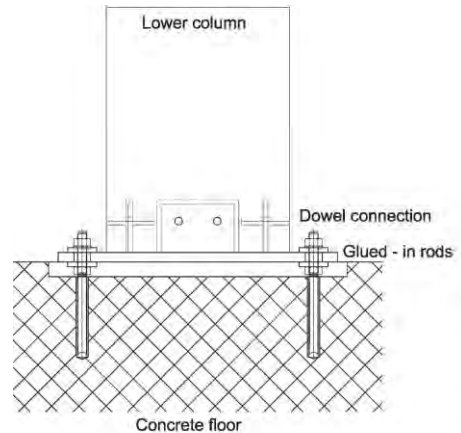
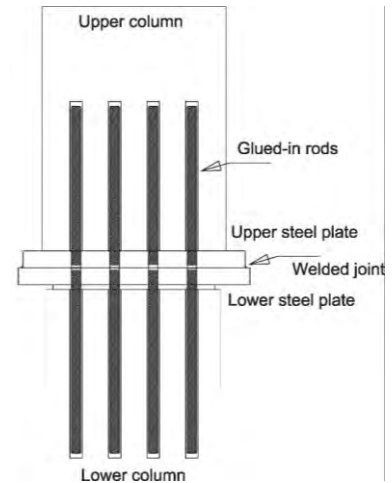
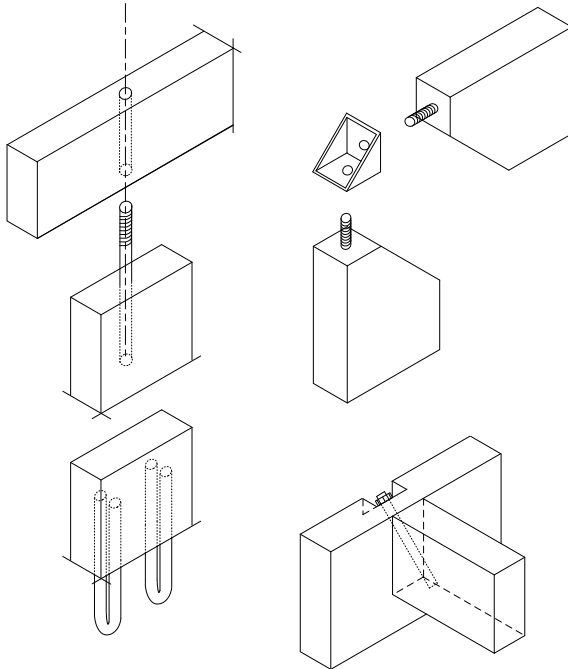


• Failure modes

- Steel → low variability
- Adhesive → high variability
- Timber → high variability

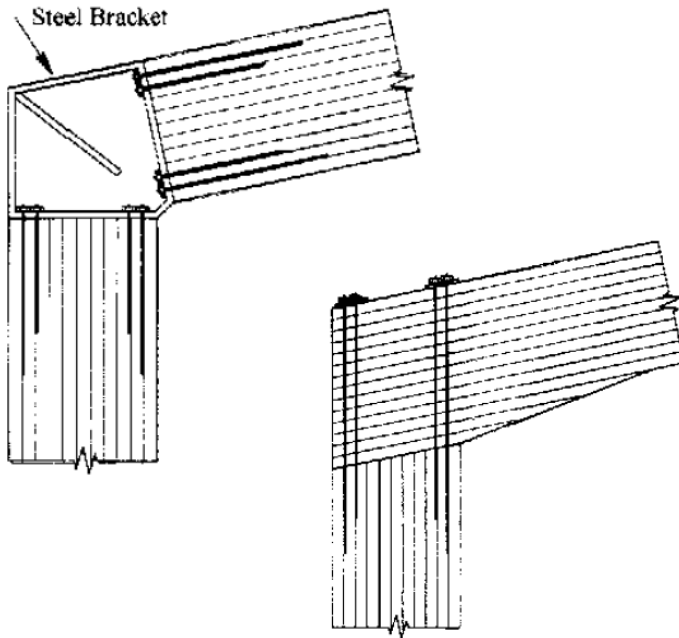
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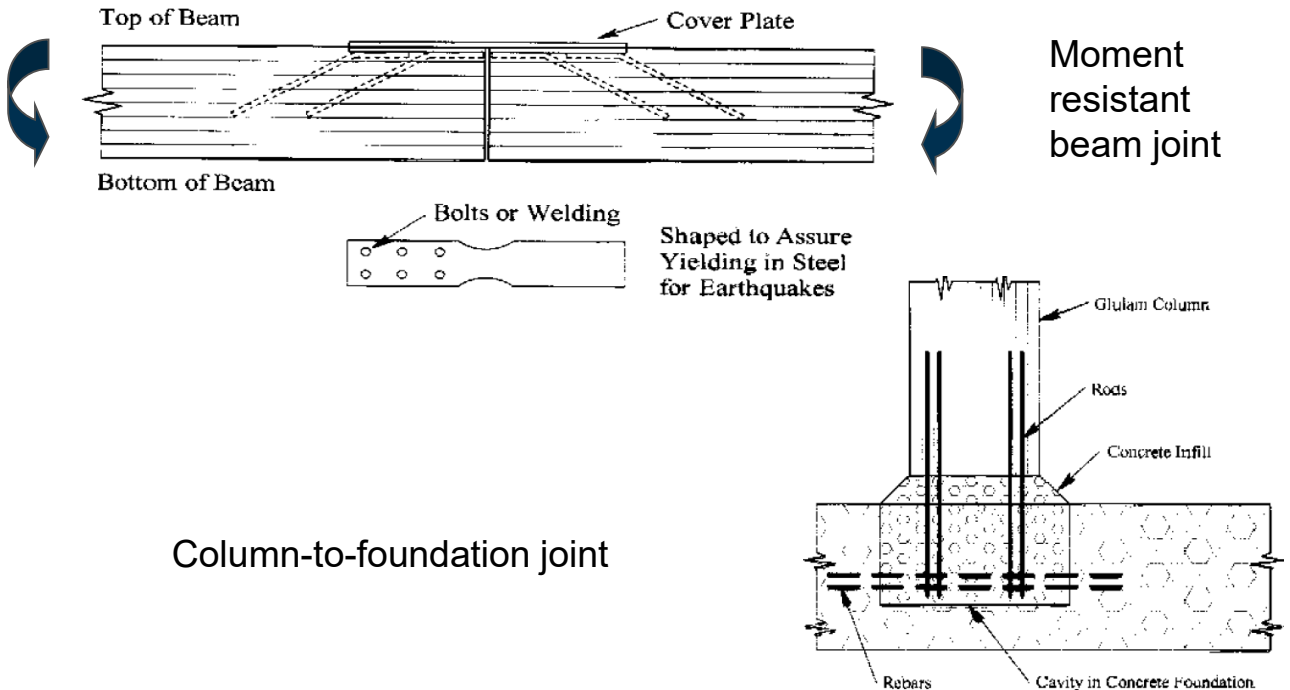
Bonded-in rods

- Examples
 - Frame corners



Bonded-in rods

- Examples



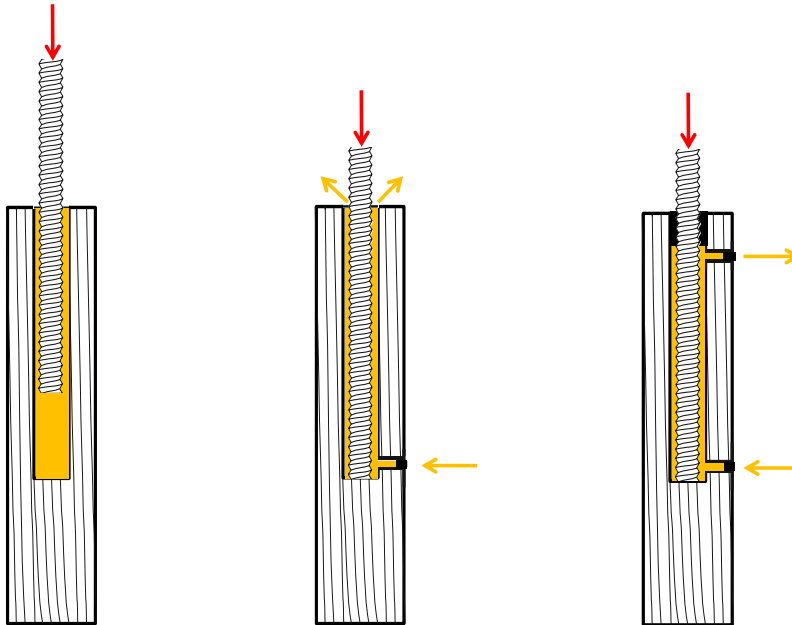
Bonded-in rods

Production

- Check steel strength of rods!
- Follow requirements and processing guidelines of the adhesive producers!
- Check excess or loss of adhesive during bonding process
- Clean cut surface of pre-drilled holes. Not burned!
- Clean pre-drilled holes from saw dust and drilling chips
- Use spacers to insured centering of the rods in the holes
- Tighten nuts uniformly for connections with several bonded-on rods
- Use torque-limiting wrench for tightening of the nuts to limit the tensile load applied to the rods

Bonded-in rods

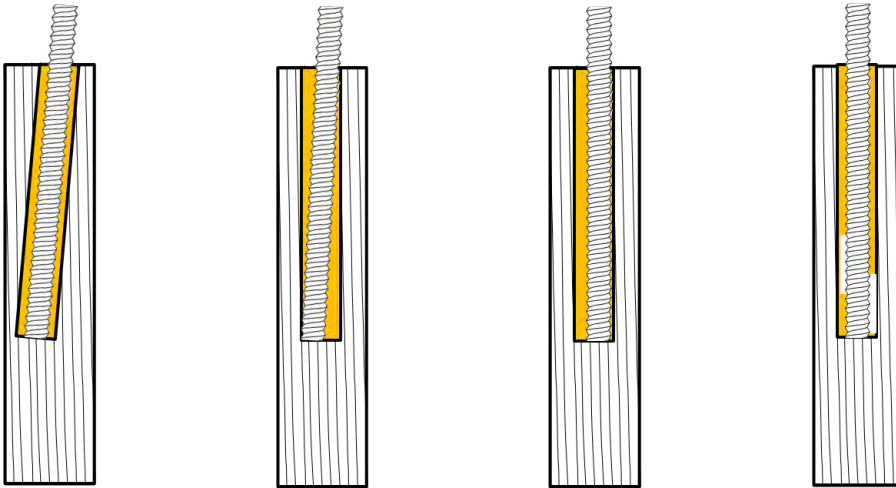
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Bonded-in rods

- Possible errors!



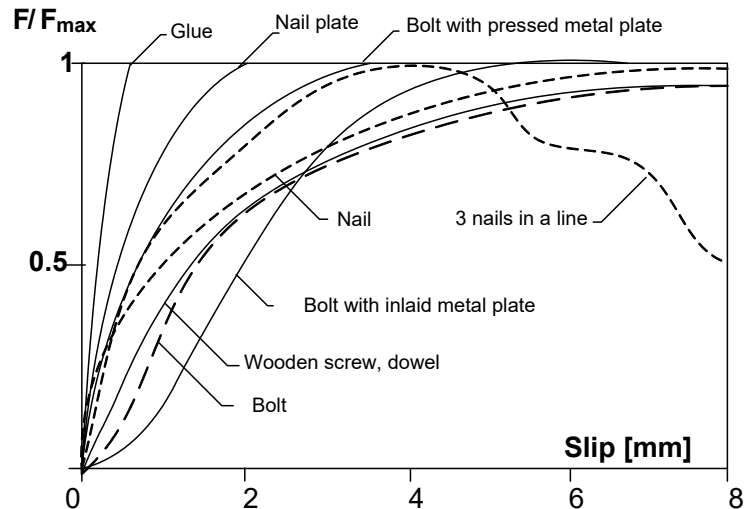
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Serviceability limit states/ Stiffness of joints

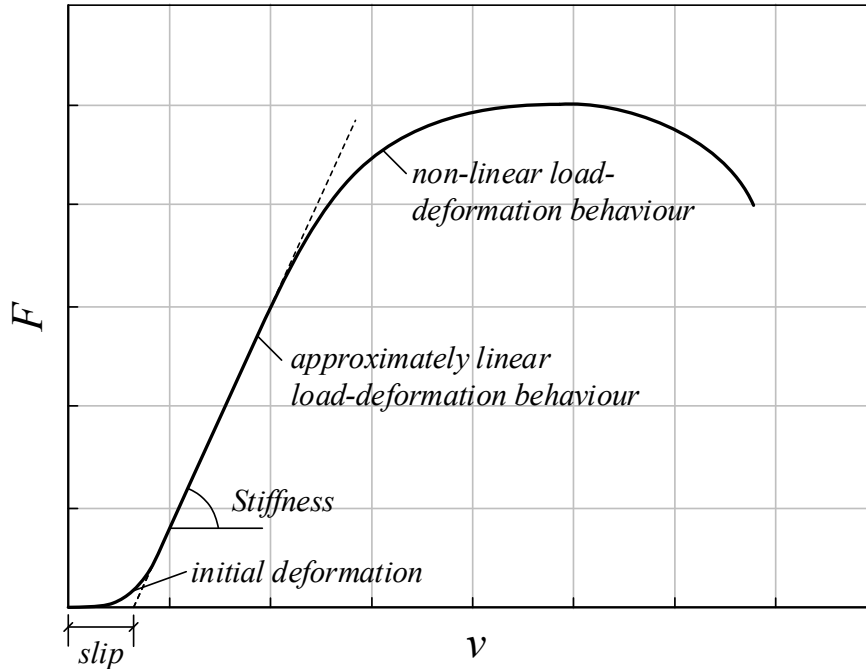
Typical load-slip curves of connections

The stiffness of timber joints depends on:

- Type of joint
- Strength and quality of the parts
- Grain direction
- Load level
- Load duration and creep



Typology of the load-deformation curve



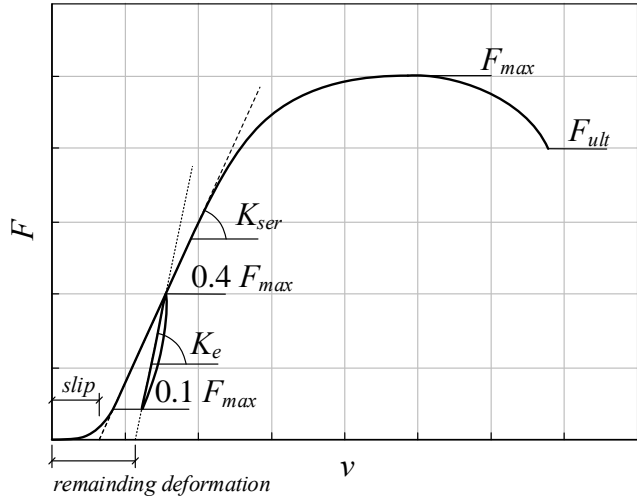
Derivation of EC5 equations

- Stiffness according to EN 26891

$$K_{ser} = \frac{0.4 F_{max}}{\frac{4}{3} (v_{04} - v_{01})}$$

- Deformation according to EC5

$$u_{inst} = \frac{F_d}{K_{ser}}$$



Slip-Modulus of fasteners

Type of fastener	K_{ser}
• Nails:	
- Without pre-drilling	$\rho_m^{1,5} d^{0,8} / 30$
- With pre-drilling	$\rho_m^{1,5} d / 23$
• Screws	$\rho_m^{1,5} d / 23$
• Bolts	$\rho_m^{1,5} d / 23$
• Dowels	$\rho_m^{1,5} d / 23$

Calculation of deformation of connections

7.1 Joint slip

(1) For joints made with dowel-type fasteners the slip modulus K_{ser} per shear plane per fastener under service load should be taken from Table 7.1 with ρ_m in kg/m³ and d or d_c in mm. For the definition of d_c , see EN 13271.

NOTE: In EN 26891 the symbol used is k_s instead of K_{ser} .

Table 7.1 – Values of K_{ser} for fasteners and connectors in N/mm in timber-to-timber and wood-based panel-to-timber connections

Fastener type	K_{ser}
Dowels Bolts with or without clearance ^a Screws Nails (with pre-drilling)	$\rho_m^{1,5} d^{1/23}$
Nails (without pre-drilling)	$\rho_m^{1,5} d^{0,8}/30$
Staples	$\rho_m^{1,5} d^{0,8}/80$
Split-ring connectors type A according to EN 912 Shear-plate connectors type B according to EN 912	$\rho_m d_c/2$
Toothed-plate connectors:	
– Connectors types C1 to C9 according to EN 912	$1,5 \rho_m d_c/4$
– Connectors type C10 and C11 according to EN 912	$\rho_m d_c/2$
^a The clearance should be added separately to the deformation.	

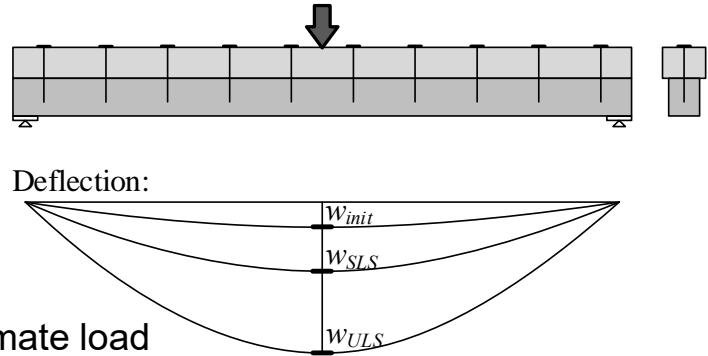
(2) If the mean densities $\rho_{m,1}$ and $\rho_{m,2}$ of the two jointed wood-based members are different then ρ_m in the above expressions should be taken as

$$\rho_m = \sqrt{\rho_{m,1} \rho_{m,2}} \quad (7.1)$$

(3) For steel-to-timber or concrete-to-timber connections, K_{ser} should be based on ρ_m for the timber member and may be multiplied by 2,0.

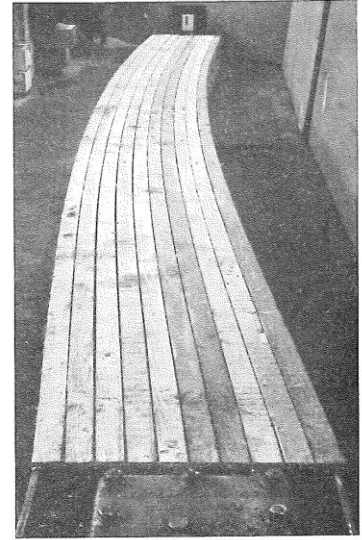
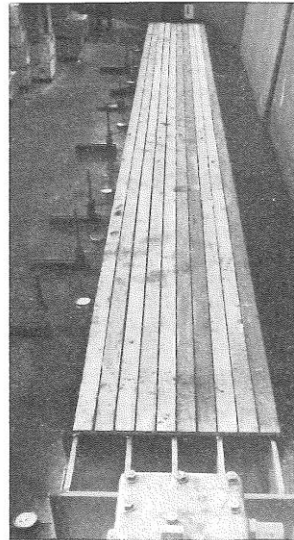
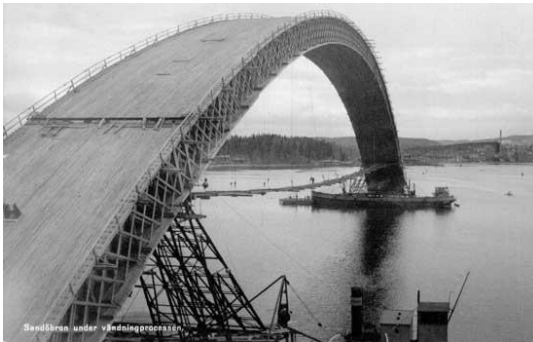
Example: combined beam

- initial deformation (self-weight)
 - slip of the connections
- serviceability limit state (SLS)
 - K_{ser} of linear-elastic range between 10% and 40% of ultimate load
- ultimate limit state (ULS)
 - $K_u := 2/3 K_{ser}$



Look back in history: Collapse due to low connection stiffness

- Collapse of the Sandö-Bridge formwork in 1939



Examples H3



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