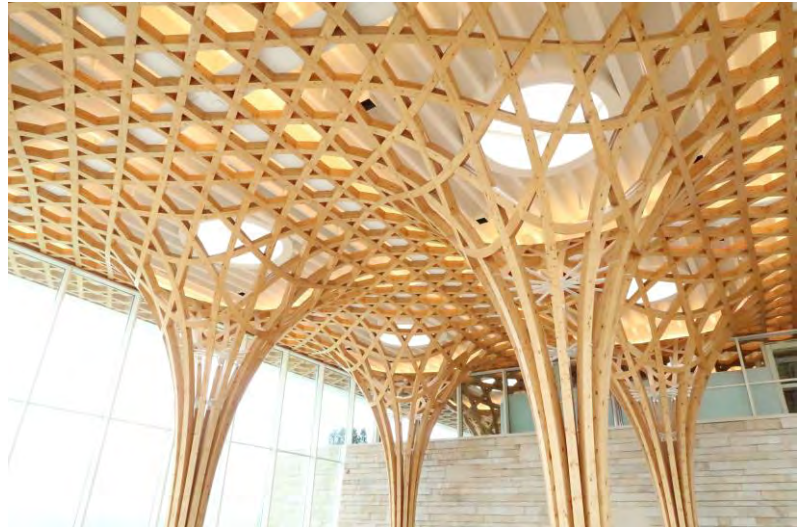


## TIMBER ENGINEERING - VSM196

LECTURE 2

SPRING 2020



## Topic

- Solid cross-sections of timber & glulam
- Design of purlins
- Literature DoTS:
  - Ch 1, Ch 2 (2.1-2.5) and Ch 3 (3.1 and 3.2)

## Content

- Modern timber products
  - Production and dimensions of solid timber
  - Production and properties of glulam
- Design of linear members
  - Purlins and design of sloping members (roof joist)

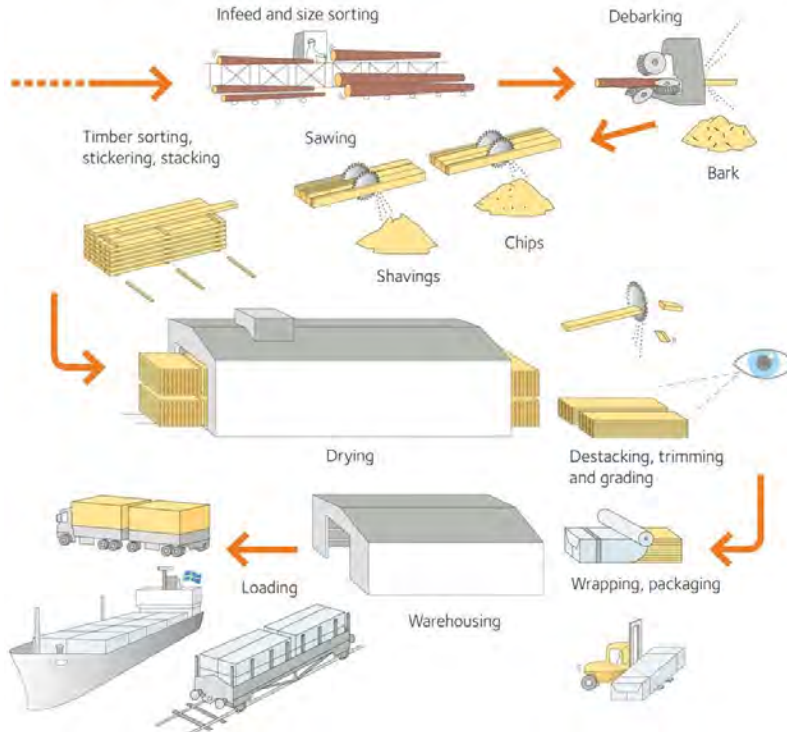
## **Intended Learning Outcomes of this lecture**

- You understand the limitations of solid timber.
- You can describe the production process of glulam.
- You can define important influences on the quality of glulam.
- You can describe the benefits of a Gerber system.

# Production of solid timber

# Production of solid timber

The sawmill process from forest to sawn wood product



Source: Swedish Wood

## Dimensions of solid timber

- Length up to 6m
- Finger jointed timber even longer



**Table 31** Cross-sectional dimensions of sawn timber

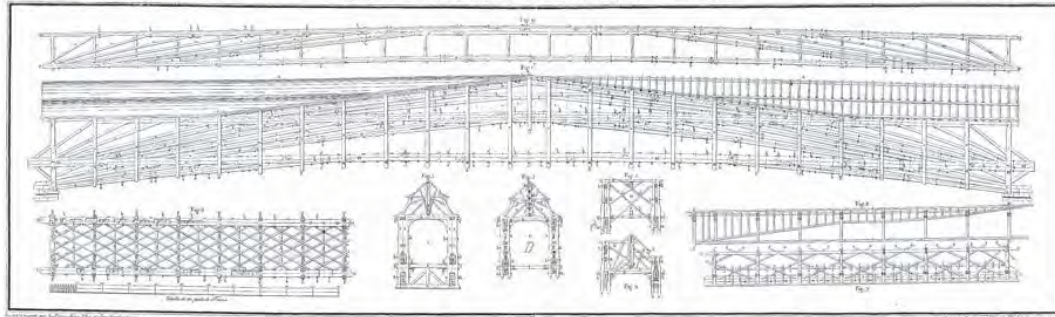
Thickness (mm)	Width (mm)										
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Source: Swedish Wood

# Historic structures from solid timber

Abb. 1. Limmathbrücke bei Wettingen von Johann Ulrich Grubenmann. 1754–1756.



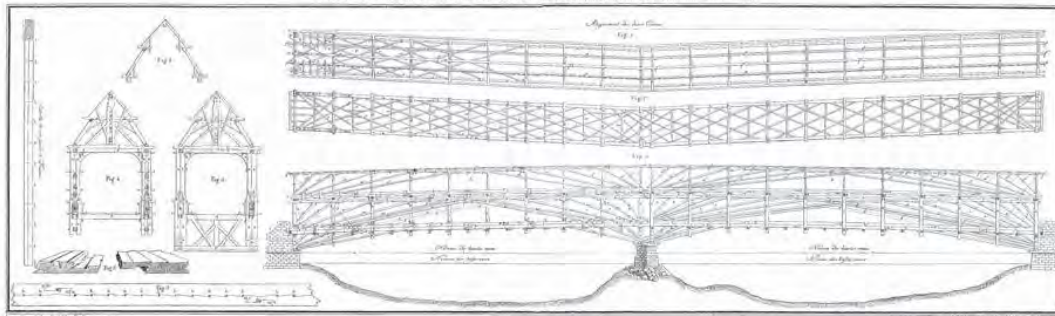
PLAN, COUPE ET ELEVATION DU PONT DE BOIS SUR LA LIMMAT, AU PIED DE L'ARRIVEE DE WETTINGEN.

Cette vue en plan du pont de bois sur la Limmat, au pied de l'arrivée de Wettingen, est une vue en perspective, et non une vue en plan. Elle est prise d'un point de vue élevé, et elle montre la disposition générale du pont, ainsi que la disposition des trusses et des poutres. Elle est accompagnée de deux coupes transversales, qui montrent la disposition des trusses et des poutres dans la section transversale du pont.

Plan, Durchschnitt und Aufsicht der hölzernen Brücke über die Limmath bey Wettingen.

Diese Ansicht der Brücke über die Limmath bey Wettingen ist eine perspektivische Ansicht, und nicht eine planische. Sie ist von einer erhöhten Stelle aus genommen, und sie zeigt die allgemeine Anordnung des Brückenbauwerks, sowie die Anordnung der Trüger und der Balken. Sie ist begleitet von zwei Querschnitten, die die Anordnung der Trüger und der Balken im Querschnitt des Brückenbauwerks zeigen.

Abb. 2. Rheinbrücke bei Schaffhausen von Johann Ulrich und Johann Grubenmann. 1777–1778.



PLAN, COUPE ET ELEVATION DU FAMEUX PONT DE BOIS DE SCHAFFHOUSE SUR LE RHIN.

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Plan, Durchschnitt und Aufsicht der berühmten Schaffhauser Brücke über den Rhein.

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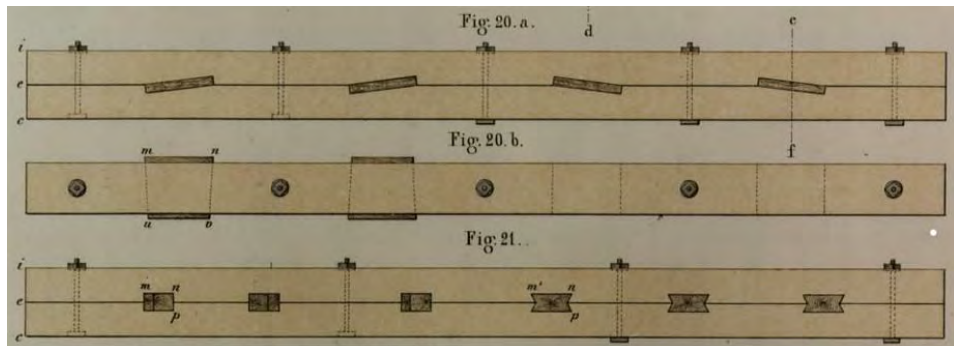
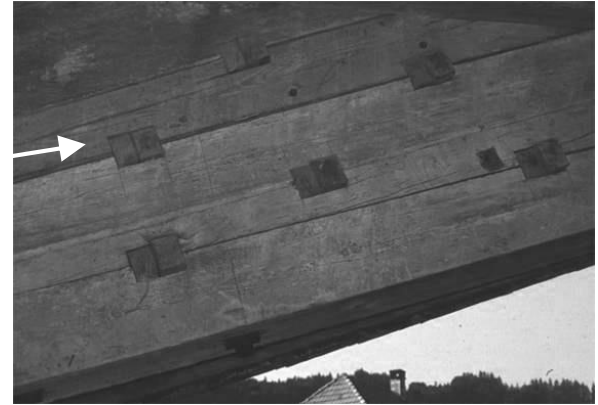


# Modern structures from solid timber



Source: ETH Zurich

## Challenge: Efficient connection of solid timber



## Historic glued laminated structure

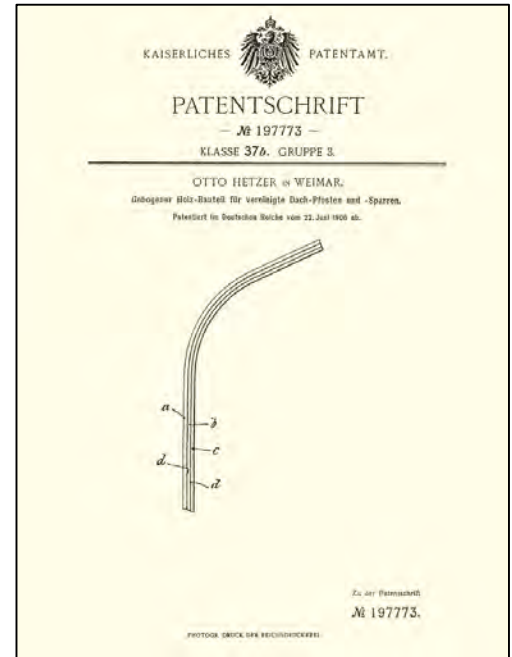
- Hall – King Edward College (Southampton) 1860



Source: Müller (2000), Holzleimbau, Birkhäuser Verlag Basel/Berlin/Bosten

## "Invention" of glued laminated timber

- Otto Hetzer (1846-1911)
- 1906 – "Deutsche Reichspatent Nr. 197773 für gebogene, verleimte Brettschichträger aus zwei oder mehr Lamellen"  
(*Patent for curved, glued lamniated beams made of two or more lamellae*)



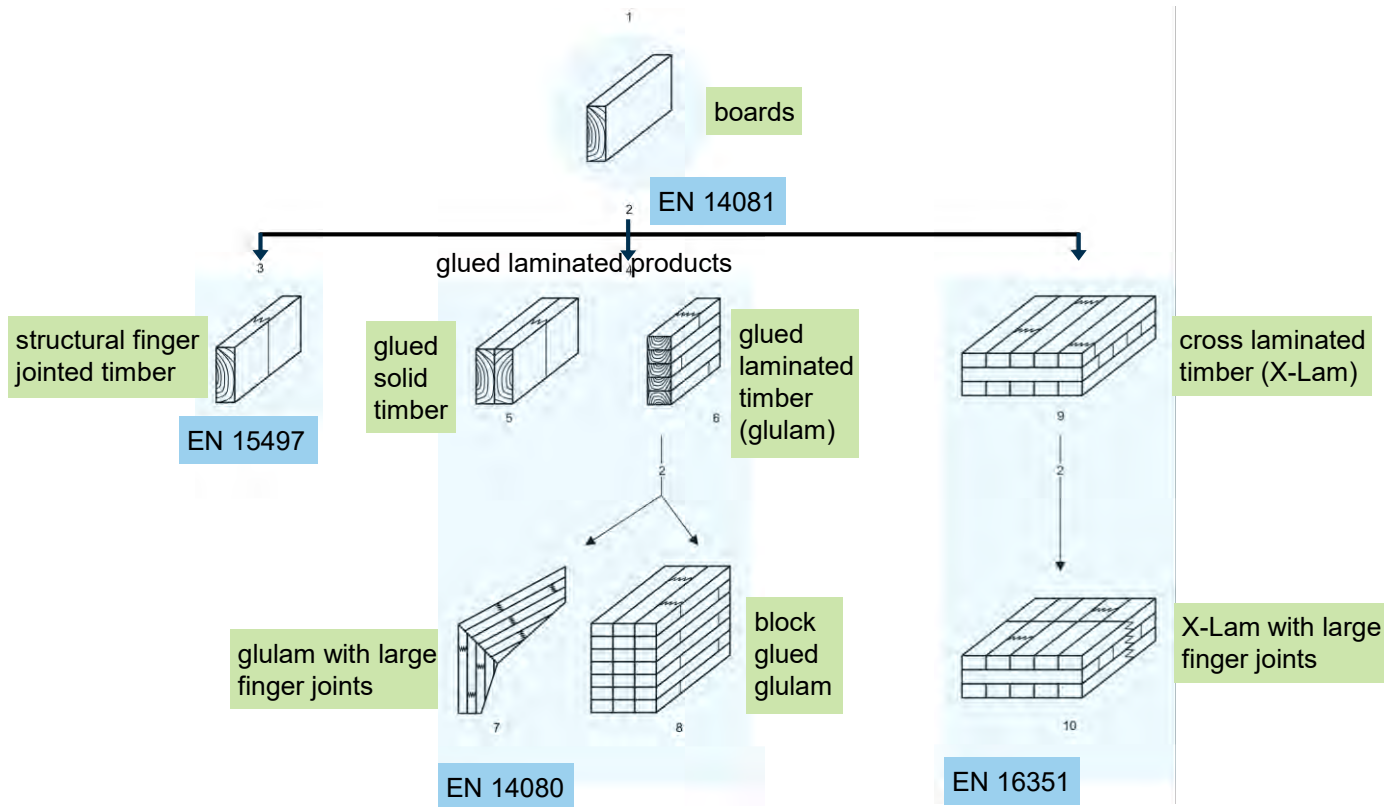
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# Glulam in Sweden: Station Malmö and Stockholm



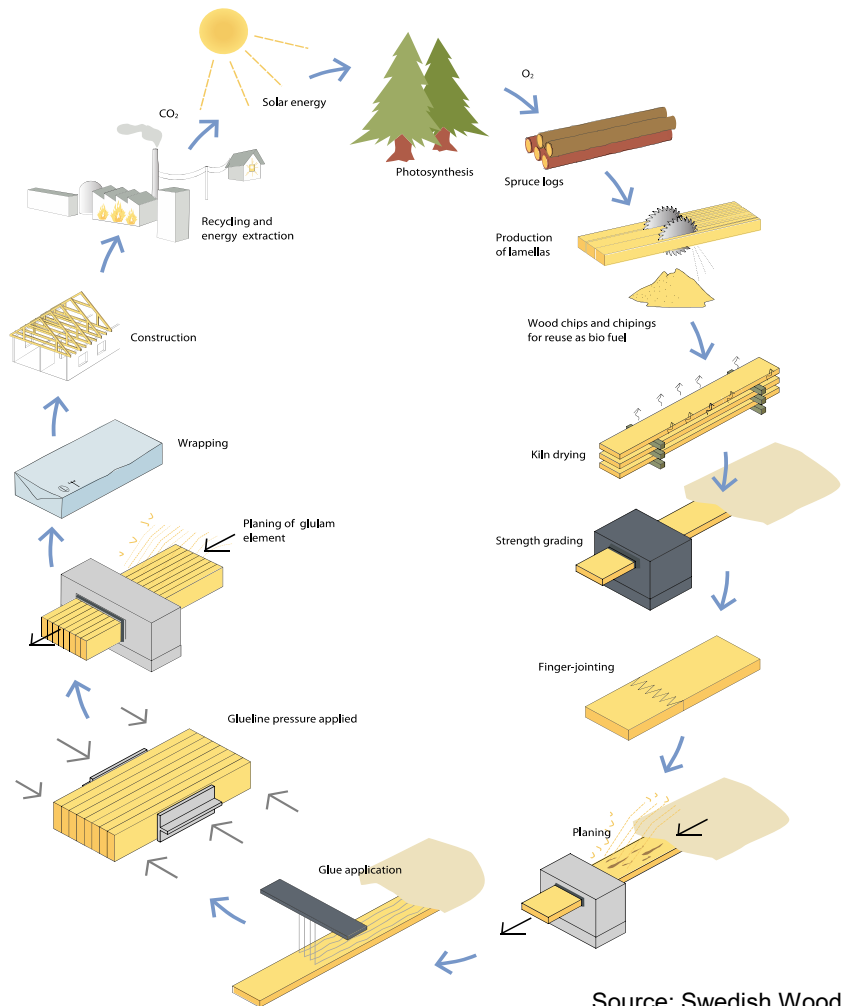


# Overview and standards for structural timber products



(Source: EN 14080)

# Production of glulam



Source: Swedish Wood





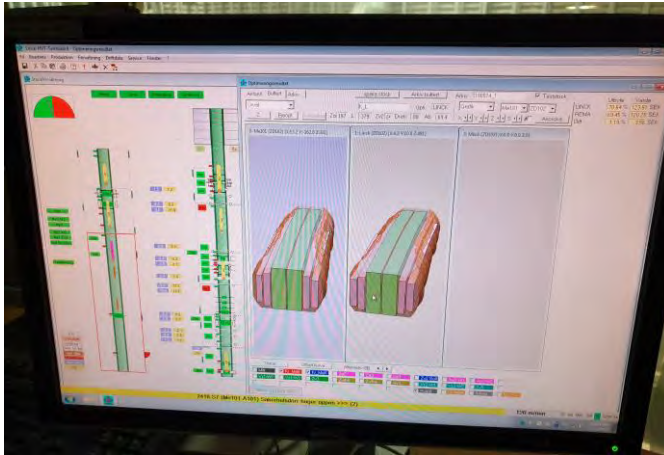


# Predifined cutting

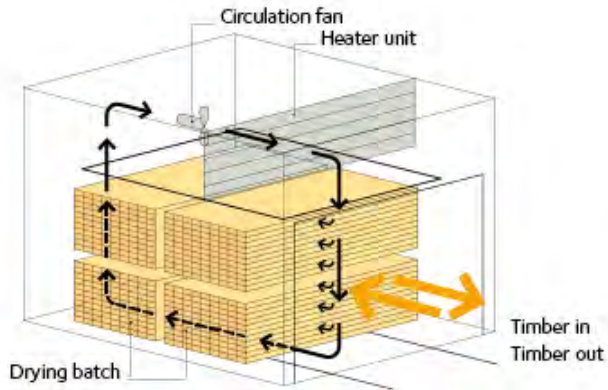




# Optimized cutting



# Kiln drying



## Grading



## Grading techniques

- Machine grading by means of
  - Mechanical techniques: Stress grading, proof loading
  - Dynamic methods: Eigenfrequency, Ultrasonic speed
  - Radiographic: X-ray, Microwave
  - Optical techniques: Surface scanning, Laser scanning, etc.

- Examples

- Dynalyse

- Precigrade: measurement of dynamic MOE

<https://youtu.be/zbpFLABn7cE>



[www.dynalyse.com](http://www.dynalyse.com)

- Microtec

- Goldeneye: X-ray, dynamic MOE, and more



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# Grading classes of boards

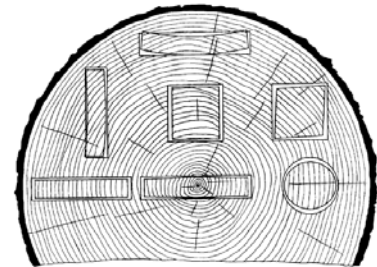
Table 1 — Characteristic strength and stiffness properties for T-classes in N/mm<sup>2</sup> and densities in kg/m<sup>3</sup> for boards or planks for glued laminated timber

T - class of boards <sup>a</sup>	$f_{t,0,l,k}$	$E_{t,0,l,mean}$	$\rho_{l,k}$
T8 (C14)	8	7 000	290
T9	9	7 500	300
T10 (C16)	10	8 000	310
T11 (C18)	11	9 000	320
T12 (C20)	12	9 500	330
T13 (C22)	13	10 000	340
T14 (C24)	14	11 000	350
T14,5	14,5	11 000	350
T15	15	11 500	360
T16 (C27)	16	11 500	370
T18 (C30)	18	12 000	380
T21 (C35)	21	13 000	390
T22	22	13 000	390
T24 (C40)	24	13 500	400
T26	26	14 000	410
T27 (C45)	27	15 000	410
T28	28	15 000	420
T30 (C50)	30	15 500	430
<sup>a</sup> The C-Classes according to EN 338:2009 meet at least the required values of the respective T-classes.			



## Glulam lay-up

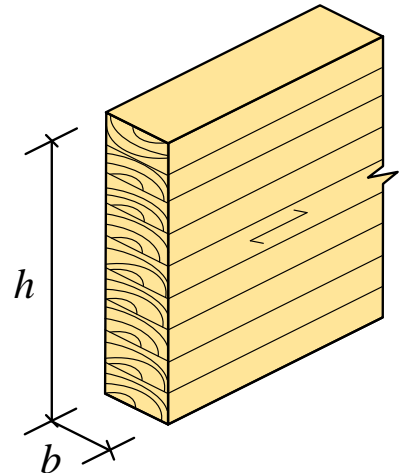
- Homogeneous lay-up: GL XXh
  - laminations are a single strength class



FPL Wood Handbook (2010)

Table 3 — Beam lay-up of homogeneous glued laminated timber and minimum values for bending strength of finger joints in laminations in  $\text{N/mm}^2$

Strength class glued laminated timber	Strength class laminations	$f_{m,j,k}$
GL 20h	T10	25
GL 20h	T11	22
GL 22h	T13	25
GL 24h	T14	30
GL 26h	T16	33
GL 28h	T18	36
GL 30h	T21	38
GL 30h	T22	37
GL 32h	T24	41
GL 32h	T26	38

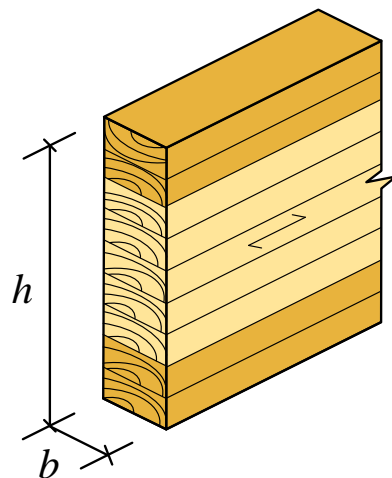


# Glulam lay-up

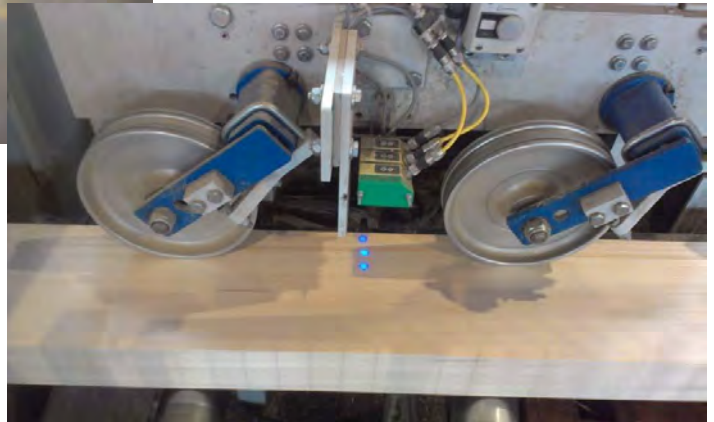
- Combined lay-up: GL XXc
  - inner and outer laminations of different strength classes

Table 2 — Beam lay-up of combined glued laminated timber and minimum values for bending strength of finger joints in laminations in N/mm<sup>2</sup>

Glued laminated timber Strength class	Outer zones of laminations			Intermediate zones of laminations			Inner zone of laminations		
	Strength class	Proportion [%]	$f_{m,j,k}$ [N/mm <sup>2</sup> ]	Strength class	Proportion [%]	$f_{m,j,k}$ [N/mm <sup>2</sup> ]	Strength class <sup>a</sup>	Proportion [%]	$f_{m,j,k}$ [N/mm <sup>2</sup> ]
GL 20c	T13	2x33	21	-	-	-	T8	34	18
GL 22c	T13	2x33	26	-	-	-	T8	34	18
GL 24c	T14	2x33	31	-	-	-	T9	34	19
GL 26c	T16	2x33	34	-	-	-	T11	34	22
GL 28c	T18	2x25	37	-	-	-	T14	50	28
GL 28c	T21	2x17	36	-	-	-	T14	66	26
GL 28c	T21	2x17	38	-	-	-	T13	66	25
GL 28c	T21	2x25	35	-	-	-	T11	50	22
GL 28c	T21	2x20	35	T14	2x20	28	T11	20	22
GL 28c	T22	2x20	35	-	-	-	T13	60	25
GL 30c	T22	2x17	40	-	-	-	T15	66	27
GL 30c	T22	2x17	41	-	-	-	T14	66	28
GL 30c	T22	2x20	40	T14	2x20	30	T11	20	22
GL 30c	T22	2x17	42	T14	2x23	31	T11	20	22
GL 32c	T24	2x17	44	-	-	-	T18	66	31
GL 32c	T26	2x17	45	-	-	-	T14	66	26
GL 32c	T26	2x10	48	T18	2x20	32	T11	40	22



# Cutting process



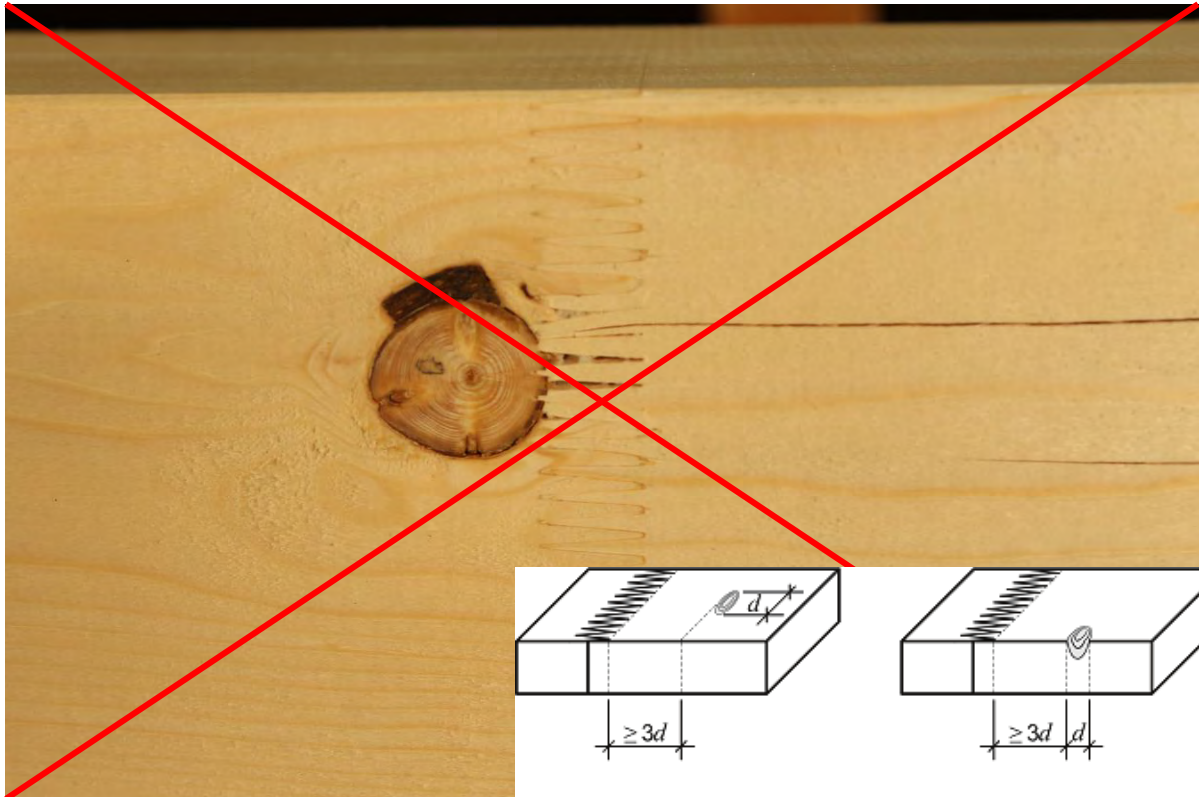
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# Finger jointing



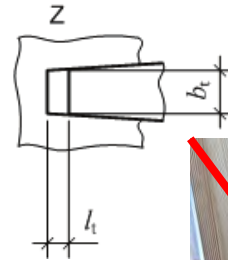
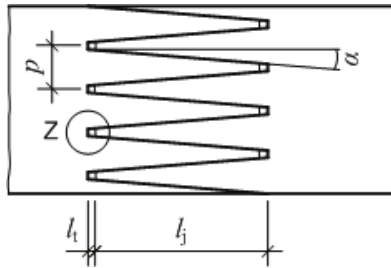
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# Finger jointing



## Finger joint geometry in EN 14080

- The geometry of the fingers shall permit the joint to be self-interlocking after pressing.



- The finger length  $l_j$ , the pitch  $p$ , the tip width  $b_t$ , the reduction factor  $v = b_t/p$  and the finger angle  $\alpha$  shall fulfil:
  - $l_j \geq 4p(1 - 2v)$
  - $\alpha \leq 7,1^\circ$

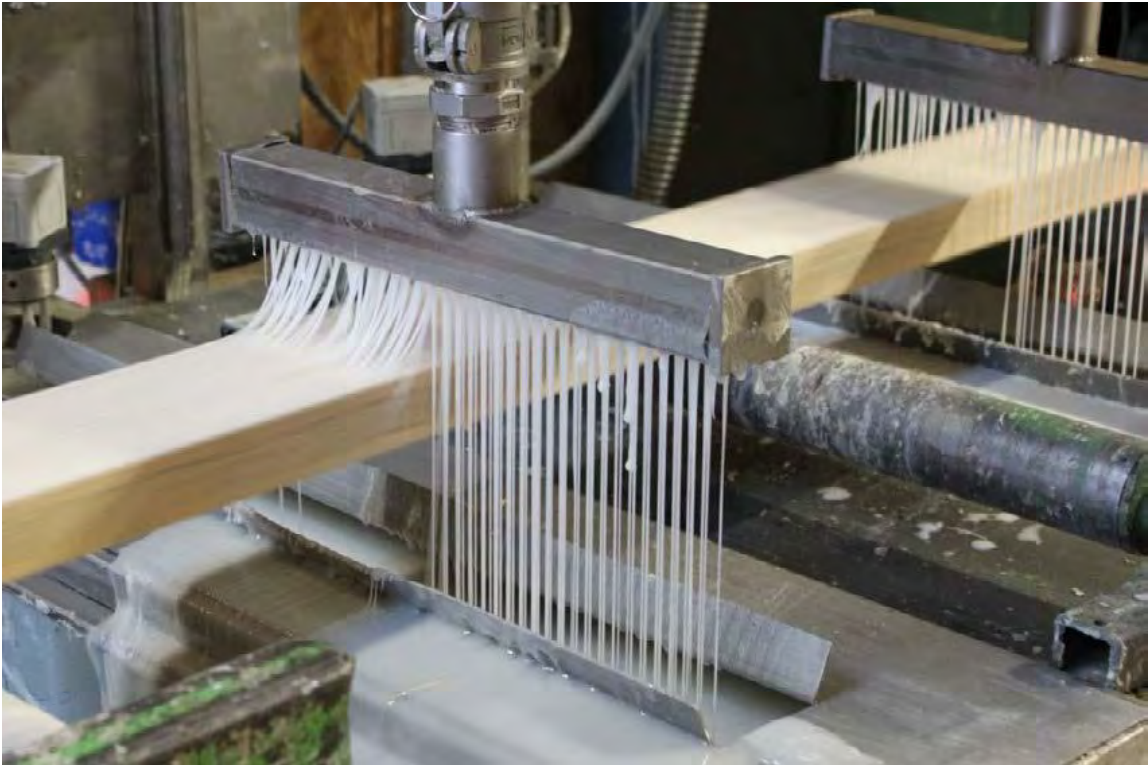




# Finger-jointed lamellae



## Application of adhesive for surface gluing



Source: Gerhard Fink



## Assembly



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# Pressing

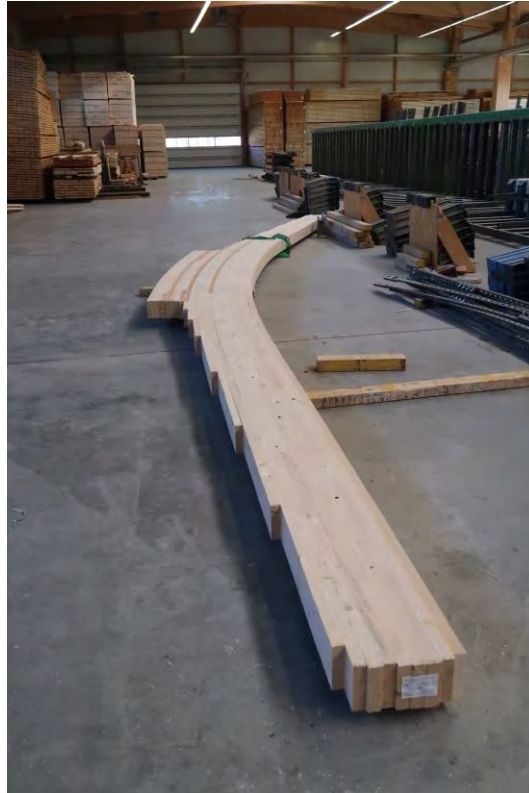


## Variety in geometry





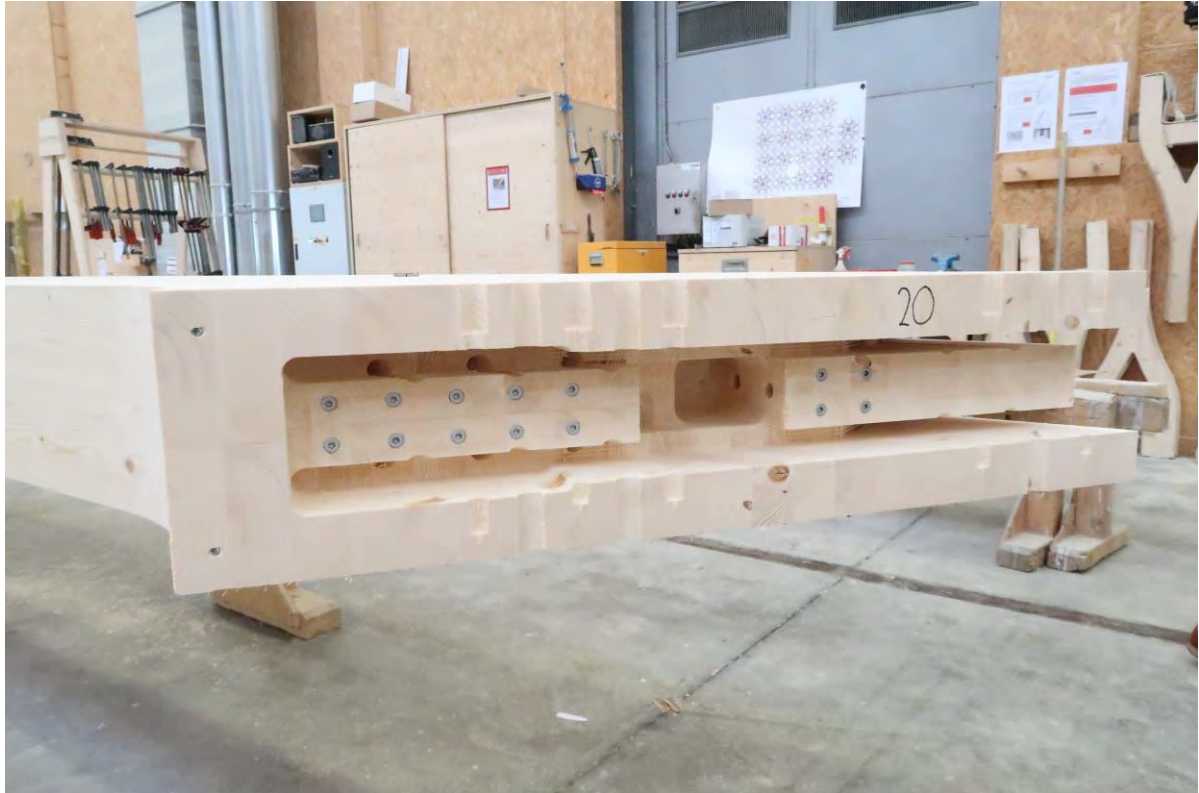
## Curved beam after pressing



# Planing and processing



## Processing by CNC



# Dimensions

- Standard dimensions

Tabell 4 Tillverkningssortiment för limträpelare och limträbalkar tillverkade i Sverige, i aktuella hållfasthetsklasser

Bredd b (mm)	42	56	66	78	90	115	140	160	165	190	215
Höjd h (mm)											
90	GL28hs	GL28hs	GL28hs	GL28hs	GL30h	GL30h	GL30h		GL30h	GL30h	GL30h
115					GL30h	GL30h	GL30h		GL30h	GL30h	GL30h
135	GL28hs	GL28hs	GL28hs	GL28hs	GL30h	GL30h	GL30h		GL30h	GL30h	GL30h
140							GL30h				
160								GL30h			
165									GL30h		
180	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
225	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
270	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
315	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
360	GL28cs*	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
405	GL28cs*	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
450		GL28cs	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
495		GL28cs*	GL28cs	GL28cs	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
540		GL28cs*	GL28cs*	GL28cs	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
585			GL28cs*	GL28cs	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
630			GL28cs*	GL28cs*	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
675				GL28cs*	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
720				GL28cs*	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
765				GL28cs*	GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
810					GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
855					GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
900					GL30c	GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
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1 080						GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
1 125						GL30c	GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
1 170							GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
1 215							GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
1 260							GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
1 305							GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
1 350							GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
1 395							GL30c		GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
1 440									GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
1 485									GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
1 530									GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
1 575									GL30c	GL30c	GL30c
1 620									GL30c	GL30c	GL30c

## Dimensions

- Taylor made beams available in (almost) all dimensions

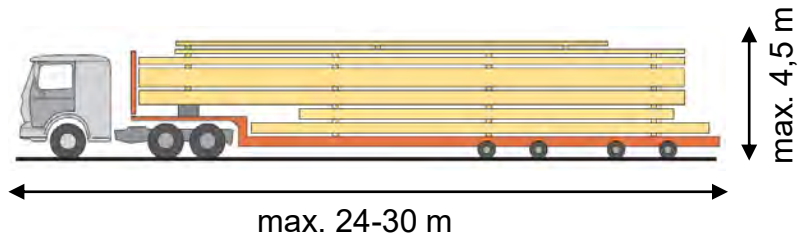




# Transportation

## Transportation length

- < 12,1 m – common truck
- > 12,1 m – lorry
- > 20,5 m – only during daytime
- > 24,5 m or width larger than 2,6 m – following car with blinking lights
- > 30 m or width larger than 4,5m in width – police escort




<http://www.schneider-holz.com>

# Standard for Glued laminated timber EN 14080

- Production requirements, provisions for evaluation and attestation of conformity and marking of glued laminated products



 4321	
AnyGo Ltd 13 4321-CPD-00234	
<b>EN 14080:2013</b> Glued laminated timber Intended to be used in buildings and bridges	
<b>Mechanical resistance and resistance to fire as</b>	
- geometrical data (mm)	160 x 800
- strength class	GL 24h
<b>Bonding strength as</b>	
- strength class	GL 24h
- bonding strength test	B
<b>Reaction to fire</b>	D-s2, d0
<b>Release of formaldehyde</b>	E1
<b>Durability of bonding strength</b>	
- species	<i>Picea abies</i>
- adhesive	MUF, Type IGP70S
<b>Durability of other characteristics as</b>	
- natural durability class(es) against wood destroying fungi	Durability class 5

## Glued-laminated timber

- Modern glulam according to EN 14080
  - Wood moisture content
    - 12%  $\pm$ 2% at delivery
  - Gluing
    - Waterproofed adhesives for interior and exterior applications, tested in accordance with EN 301/302
  - Wood species
    - Softwood species: Spruce, Pine, Fir, Larch, Poplar, Cedar
  - Tolerances
    - Standard measurements according to EN 390 "Glulam dimensions" at average moisture content of 15%

Dimension	Tolerance
Width	$\pm$ 2 mm
Height < 400 mm	+4 / -2 mm
Height > 400 mm	+1% / -0,5%
Length < 2,0 m	$\pm$ 2 mm
Length 2,0 - 20 m	$\pm$ 0,1%
Length > 20 m	$\pm$ 20 mm

# Layup of Glulam

- Adhesives in glulam production
  - Phenol-Resorcinol-Formaldehyde resin (PRF)
    - Polycondensation adhesive with very good moisture resistance (also outdoor weathering, since largely resistant to hydrolysis).
    - Recognizable by dark glue line.
    - Glulam, boat building plywood
  - Melamine-urea formaldehyde resin (MUF)
    - Polycondensation adhesive with improved moisture resistance (but not for outdoor weathering, as not completely hydrolysis resistant)
    - Wood-based materials, plywood, load-bearing timber construction
  - Polyurethane (PUR)
    - Polyaddition adhesive with higher ductility. Since the 1990s has it been used extensively for timber construction.
    - No emission of VOCs or formaldehyde
    - Structural timber (surface gluing and finger-jointing)



## Non-weather proof adhesives



## Adhesives

MUF adhesive  
for inside  
application



PRF adhesive  
for outside  
application





# Polyurethane



# Strength classes

Table 4 — Characteristic strength and stiffness properties in N/mm<sup>2</sup> and densities in kg/m<sup>3</sup> for combined glulam

Property <sup>a</sup>	Symbol	Glulam strength class						
		GL 20c	GL 22c	GL 24c	GL 26c	GL 28c	GL 30c	GL 32c
Bending strength	$f_{m,g,k}$	20	22	24	26	28	30	32
Tensile strength	$f_{t,0,g,k}$	15	16	17	19	19,5	19,5	19,5
	$f_{t,90,g,k}$	0,5						
Compression strength	$f_{c,0,g,k}$	18,5	20	21,5	23,5	24	24,5	24,5
	$f_{c,90,g,k}$	2,5						
Shear strength (shear and torsion)	$f_{v,g,k}$	3,5						
Rolling shear strength	$f_{r,g,k}$	1,2						
Modulus of elasticity	$E_{0,g,mean}$	10 400	10 400	11 000	12 000	12 500	13 000	13 500
	$E_{0,g,05}$	8 600	8 600	9 100	10 000	10 400	10 800	11 200
	$E_{90,g,mean}$	300						
	$E_{90,g,05}$	250						
Shear-modulus	$G_{g,mean}$	650						
	$G_{g,05}$	540						
Rolling shear modulus	$G_{r,g,mean}$	65						
	$G_{r,g,05}$	54						
Density <sup>b</sup>	$\rho_{g,k}$	355	355	365	385	390	390	400
	$\rho_{g,mean}$	390	390	400	420	420	430	440

<sup>a</sup> Properties given in this table have been calculated according to 5.1.5 on the basis of the layouts given in Table 2. If different layouts for a certain strength class lead to different characteristic values the lowest values are given here.

<sup>b</sup> Calculated as the weighted mean of the densities of the different lamination zones, see 5.1.5.3, 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph.

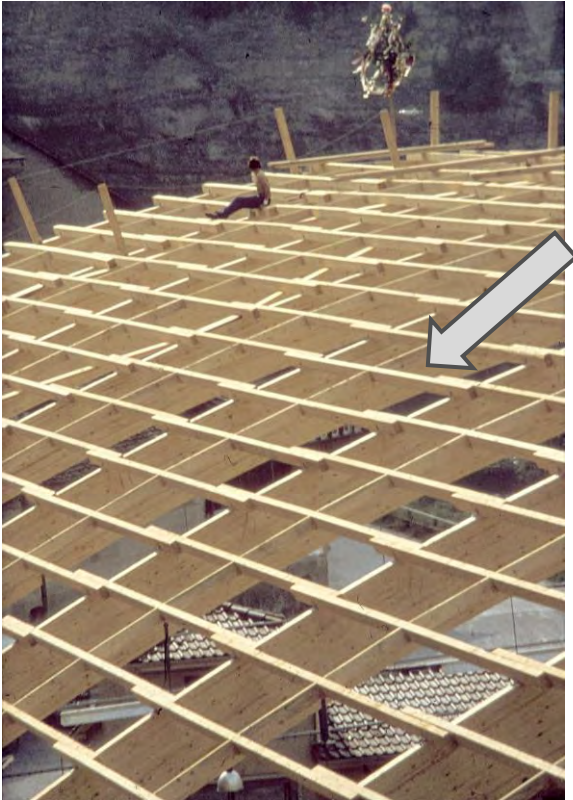
# Strength classes

Table 5 — Characteristic strength and stiffness properties in N/mm<sup>2</sup> and densities in kg/m<sup>3</sup> for homogeneous glulam

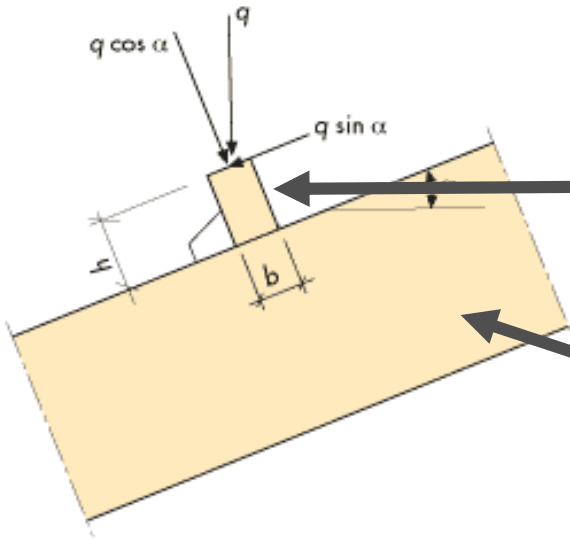
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Compression strength	$f_{c,0,g,k}$	20	22	24	26	28	30	32
	$f_{c,90,g,k}$	2,5						
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Rolling shear strength	$f_{r,g,k}$	1,2						
Modulus of elasticity	$E_{0,g,mean}$	8 400	10 500	11 500	12 100	12 600	13 600	14 200
	$E_{0,g,05}$	7 000	8 800	9 600	10 100	10 500	11 300	11 800
	$E_{90,g,mean}$	300						
	$E_{90,g,05}$	250						
Shear modulus	$G_{g,mean}$	650						
	$G_{g,05}$	540						
Rolling shear modulus	$G_{r,g,mean}$	65						
	$G_{r,g,05}$	54						
Density	$\rho_{g,k}$	340	370	385	405	425	430	440
	$\rho_{g,mean}$	370	410	420	445	460	480	490

# Purlin and gerber systems

## Purlins



## Bi-axial bending



- Interaction of stresses

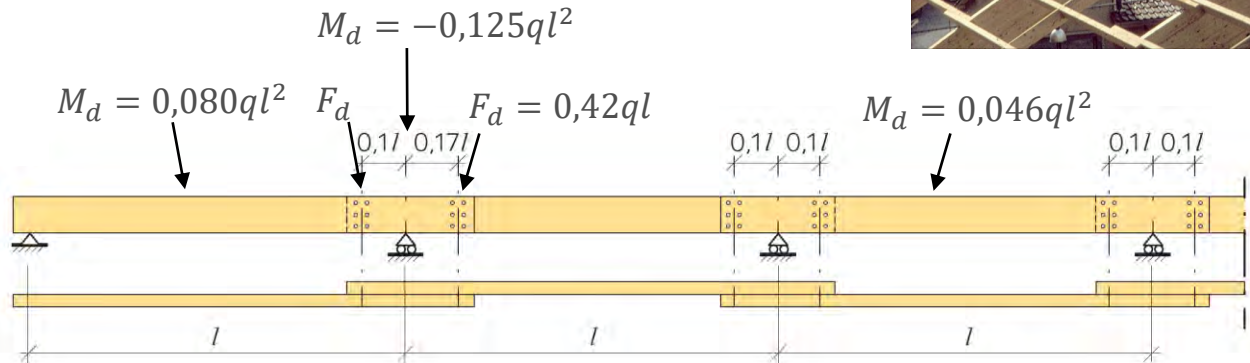
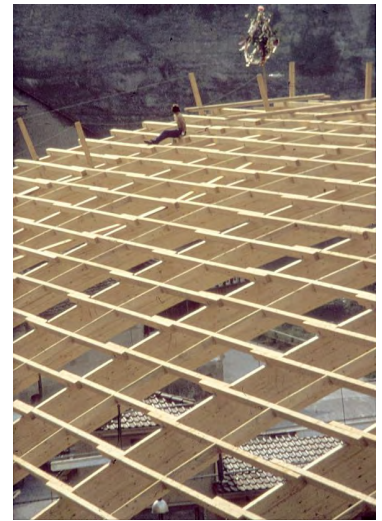
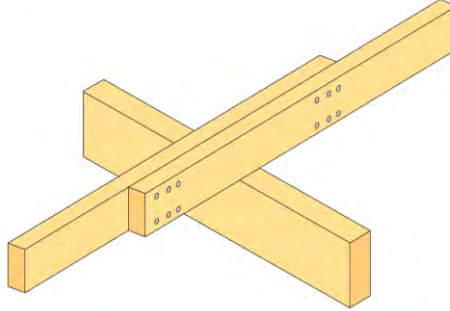
$$\frac{\sigma_{m,y,d}}{f_{m,y,d}} + k_m \frac{\sigma_{m,z,d}}{f_{m,z,d}} \leq 1$$

$$k_m \frac{\sigma_{m,y,d}}{f_{m,y,d}} + \frac{\sigma_{m,z,d}}{f_{m,z,d}} \leq 1$$

- $k_m$  is a modification factor that allows for redistribution of stress in the element
  - For solid timber, glulam and LVL:
  - for rectangular sections  $k_m = 0,7$
  - for other cross-sections  $k_m = 1,0$



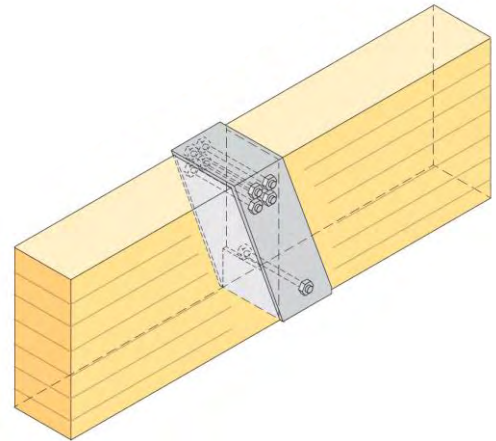
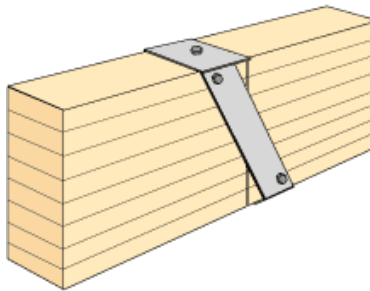
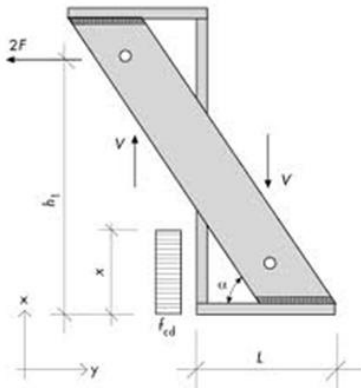
## Action effects



- Continuous purlin system with overlaps

## Gerber system

- “The Gerber system” is designed so that moment in the field (bay) and moment over the support are equal.
- To reduce the risk of progressive collapse if one bay should collapse, the system should be designed so that every second bay is free from hinges.



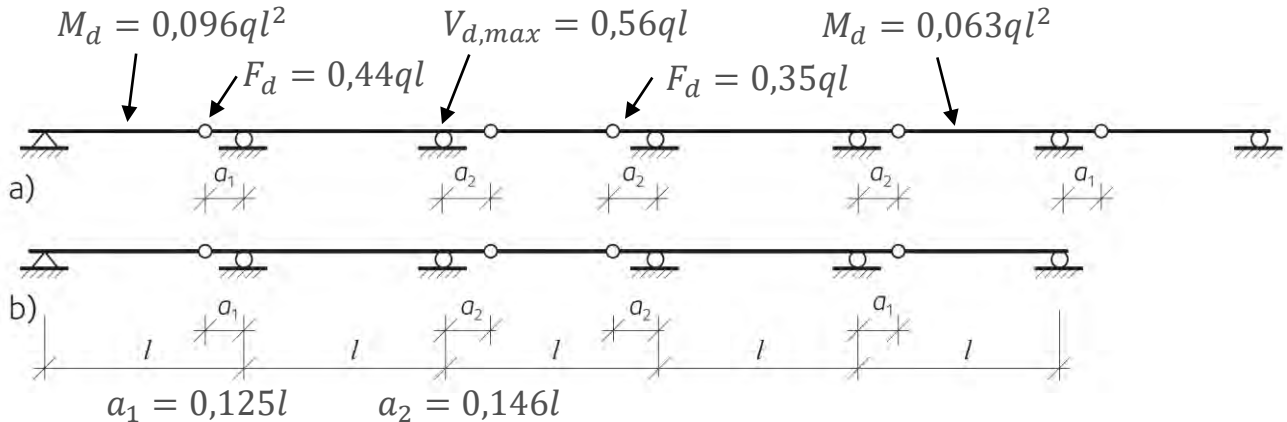
Source: Swedish Wood

# Gerber systems



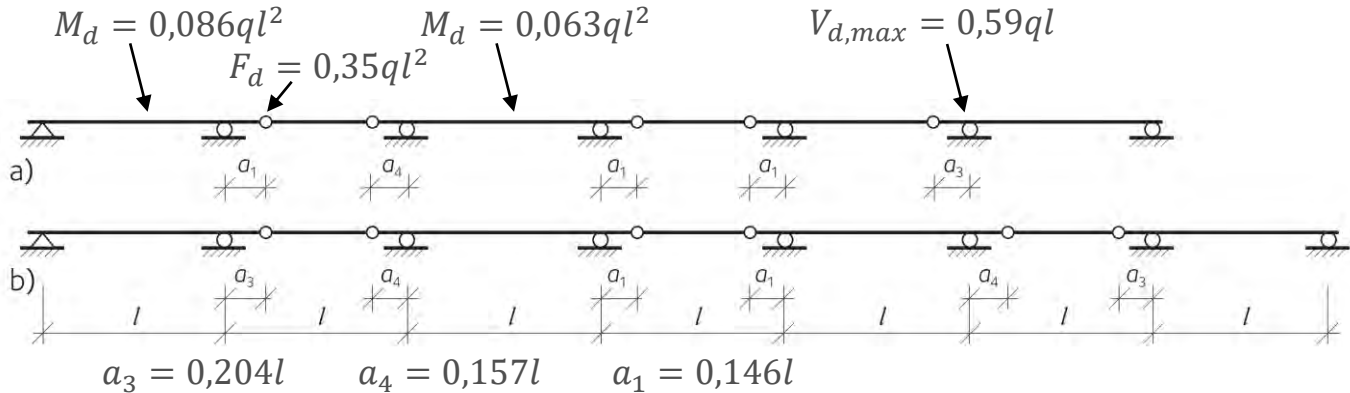
## Gerber system – joint layout

- Alternative 1: Joint in end bay
  - even number of bays
  - odd number of bays



- Max. deflection (in first bay)  $w = 0,72ql^4/100EI$

- Alternative 2: End bays without joints
  - even number of bays
  - odd number of bays



- Max. deflection (in first bay)  $w = 0,77ql^4/100EI$

# Example: B1

Joist design



## Example: B6

Check the design of purlin on a sloping roof joist – simply-supported

Rectangular cross-section

# Homework: B7

Check the design of purlin on a sloping roof joist – Gerber system  
Rectangular cross-section



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