MULTI-FIDELITY MODELLING OF GLULAM BEAM AND COLUMN CONNECTION UNDER SCENARIO FIRE LOAD

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FPInnovations' CLT handbook

State-of-the-art peer-reviewed technical source for designers that facilitates use of CLT as alternative solution (2013)





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"Tall Wood" initiatives



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Origine, Quebec City (13 Storeys)



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https://www.thinkwood.com/ourprojects/origine-tallest-wood-building-ineastern-north-america

Brock Commons, UBC Vancouver (18 Storeys)



https://www.thinkwood.com/ourprojects/brock-commons-tallwood-house

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B.C. building code adjusted upwards to allow 12-storey wood buildings

"...the building code changes come one year ahead of expected changes in the national building code, which are also expected to increase height limits for wood buildings to 12 storeys..."

2019



B.C. building code to allow mass timber in buildings up to 18 storeys, up from 12

- Increased the height limit for mass timber residential and office buildings to 18 storeys,
- Expanded the types of buildings that can be constructed with mass timber to include schools, shopping centres and industrial facilities, and

2024

• Allowed more exposed mass timber or fewer layers of encapsulation in buildings (depending on building height).





B.C. building code to allow mass timber in buildings up to ?? storeys, up from 18



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Multi-hazard performance based design



Tesfamariam, S. 2022. Performance-based design of tall timber buildings under earthquake and wind multi-hazard loads: Past, present and future. *Frontier in Built Environment: Earthquake Engineering*, 8:848698. doi: 10.3389/fbuil.2022.848698.

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CLT SHEAR WALLS – TIMBER MOMENT RESISTING FRAMES

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CLT-balloon shear-walls



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Uncoupled CLT walls



Energy dissipation BRB hold-down

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Fully coupled CLT walls





Teweldebrhan, B.T. and Tesfamariam, S. 2023. Seismic design of CLT shear-wall and glulam moment-resisting frame coupled structure. *Journal of Structural Engineering*. 149(12):04023169.



HIGH-FIDELITY MODEL AND CALIBRATION

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Beam-column joint test



Loading test under ISO fire heating

Luo, J., He, M., Li, Z., Gan, Z., Wang, X., and Liang, F. 2022. Experimental and numerical investigation into the fire performance of glulam bolted beam-to-column connections under coupled moment and shear force. *Journal of Building Engineering*, 46, 103804.

Dimensions and mechanical properties



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Dimensions and mechanical properties

Material properties	Elastic modulus (MPa)	$f_y(MPa)$	$f_u(MPa)$	€u
Steel plate	210000	345	470	0.1
Bolts	210000	640	800	0.1

Material properties -	Elastic modulus (MPa)			Poisson's ratio			Syrength (MPa)			
	E_1	E_2/E_3	$G_{1,2}/G_{1,3}$	G _{2,3}	$v_{1,2}/v_{1,3}$	v _{2,3}	f_1	f_2/f_3	$f_{1,2}/f_{1,3}$	<i>f</i> _{2,3}
Timber	11534	313	639	108	0.37	0.44	44.03	2.03	7.58	2.16
Bolt hole region	2503	560	432	194	0.37	0.44	44.03	2.03	7.58	2.16

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Dimensions and mechanical properties







Loading under ambient temperature

Elements and boundary conditions

S Mises Ava: 75%) Displacement-controlled S. Mises Experimental results load High-fidelity model 40 Moment (kN-m) Beam (C3D8R) Symmetry constraint 20 00 Bolt (C3D8R) 12 Rotation (10-2 rad) Steel plate (C3D8R) Bending deformation (bolts) Column (C3D8R) Embedment deformation (timber) Fixed UNIVERSITY OF FACULTY OF WATERLOO PAGE 25 Multi-fidelity modelling of glulam beam and column connection under scenario fire load ENGINEERING

Loading curve and model deformation

Heat transfer analysis





Structural analysis

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Development of simplified numerical model





Multi-axis loading calibration



Model validation





Uncertainty propagation



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Uncertainty propagation



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Resilient and sustainable Tall-Timber buildings

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