### Seismic Performance of Flanged Timber Core-Wall Systems

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#### Introduction





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# Research Motivations



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#### History of Timber Construction



Pacific Northwest Douglas Fir Log

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Kelly Douglas & Co. Warehouse (McGlynn, J.P., 2013)



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Butler Building Minneapolis (Butler Square, n.d.) Butler Building Minneapolis (Butler Square, n.d.)



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Logging Truck (Alamy, n.d.)

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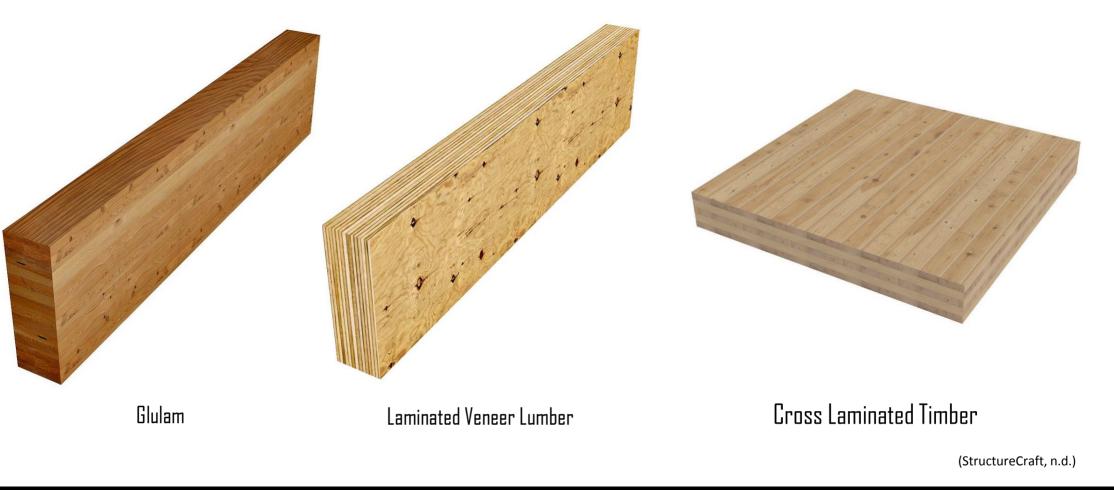


Six Storey Light Timber Frame Construction (On-Site, 2015)



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#### Engineered Wood Products





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### Panel Systems

- Prefabricated Construction
- Fast on-site installation
- Suitable for residential construction

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Forte Building, Australia (Built Offsite, n.d.)

Cenni di Cambiamento Building, Italy (Green, 2017)



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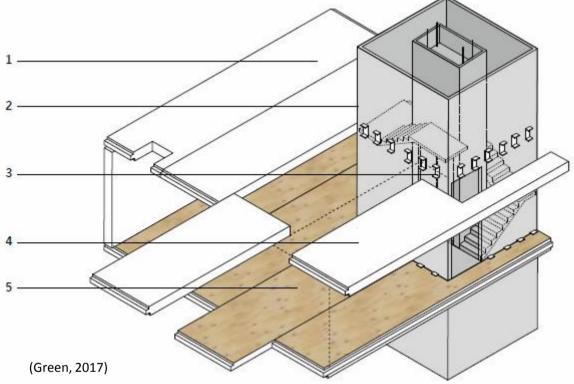
#### Research Motivations: Current Construction Practice

### Hybrid Systems

- Concrete core constructed <u>On-Site</u>
  - Core acts as primary lateral force resisting

system against Wind and Earthquake

• Open Concept – suitable for office space

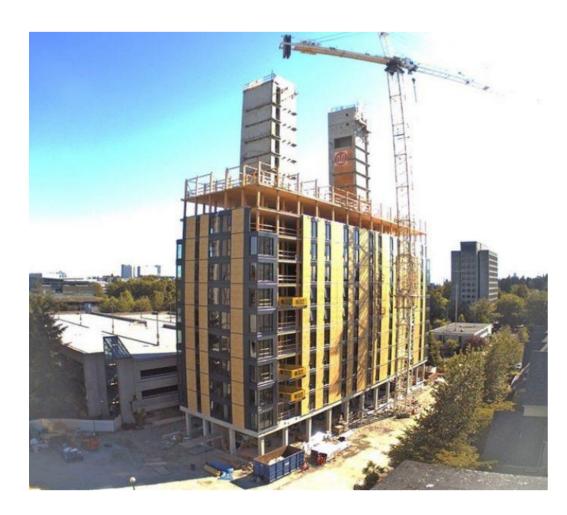




Wood Cube, Germany (Green, 2017)



### Hybrid Systems





UBC Brock Commons (Seagate Structure, n.d.)



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# Can these "concrete cores" be replaced with "timber cores"?



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# Past Relevant Research

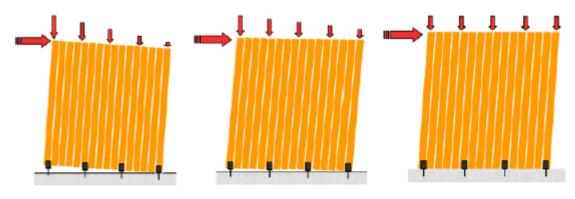


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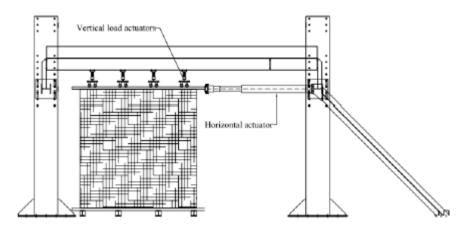
System Behaviour

- Dujic et al., (2005) found CLT walls respond mainly in rocking
  - Highly dependent on anchoring systems



Rocking response of walls Combined shear - rocking response of wall Shear response of walls

Typical Responses of CLT Walls (Dujic et al., 2005)



Single Panel Tests (Ceccotti et al., 2006)



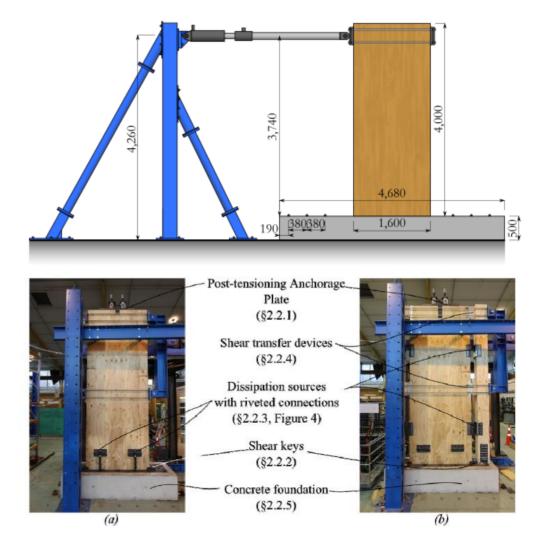
• Ceccotti (2006) confirmed that connections have strong influence on behaviour



#### **Pres-Lam System**

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- Research commenced in 2005
- Sarti (2015) most recently refined in-plane wall behaviour

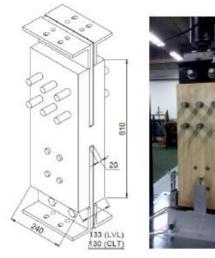


Pres-Lam LVL In-Plane LVL Wall Test Setup (Sarti, 2015)



#### **Connection Behaviour**

#### Hold-down



Hold-down Connection (Ottenhaus, Li, Smith, et al., 2017)

Analytical overstrength
models developed

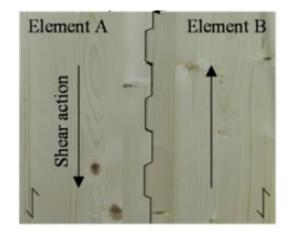
#### **Self-tapping Screws**



Screw Testing in CLT (Gavric et.al., 2015)

• Orthogonal CLT panel connections

#### **Castellated Joints**



Castellated Joint Testing in CLT (Schmidt & Blass, 2016)

• Connection vs. CLT wall capacity assessed for various in-plane connections



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### Summary

#### **System Level Behaviour**

• Shear wall research has focussed on in-plane behaviour

#### **Connection Level Behaviour**

- There has been relevant connection level research
  - Hold—down connections: proposed analytical overstrength models
  - Screwed connections: large focus in glulam, further research required for CLT
  - Castellated shear connections: preliminary investigations explored



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# Scope and Objectives



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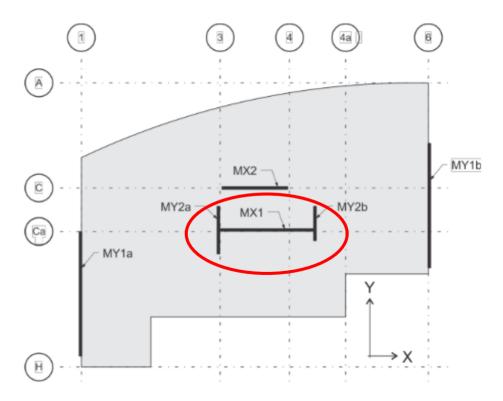


#### Industry – Cathedral Hill II



Figure 4. Architectural rendering of the building

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*Figure 6.* Typical plan view showing the shear walls of the lateral-load resisting system.

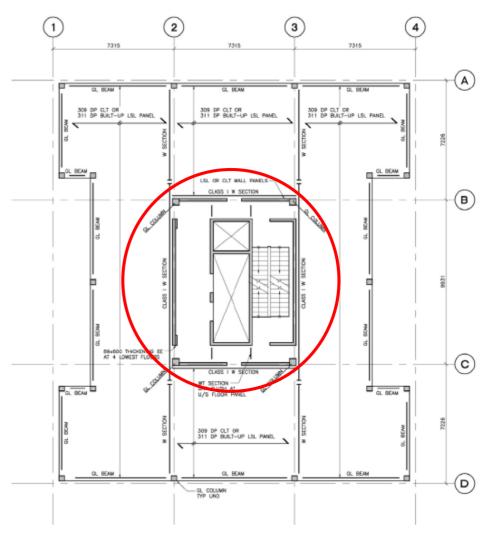
Cathedral Hill II (Below & Sarti, 2016)



#### Industry & Research – FFTT System



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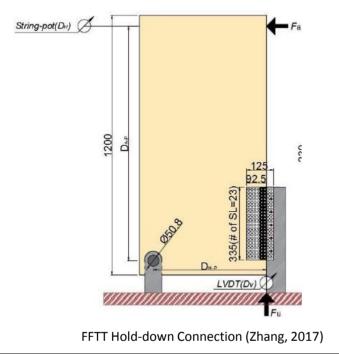




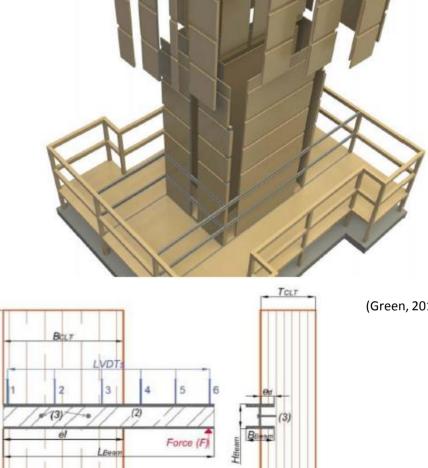
#### **Past Relevant Research: Feasibility Studies**

### Research – FFTT System

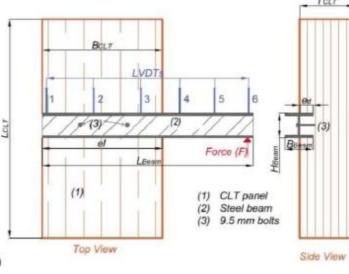
- Key connection testing (Azim, 2014; Bhat, 2013; ٠ Zhang et. al., 2017)
- System level numerical analysis by Zhang (2017)



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FFTT Embedded Steel Beam Connection (Zhang, 2017)



### Reinforced Concrete U-Shaped Walls

• Investigated failure mechanisms, stiffness degradation and torsional stiffness

 Experimental work confirmed diagonal direction is most critical in U-shaped walls

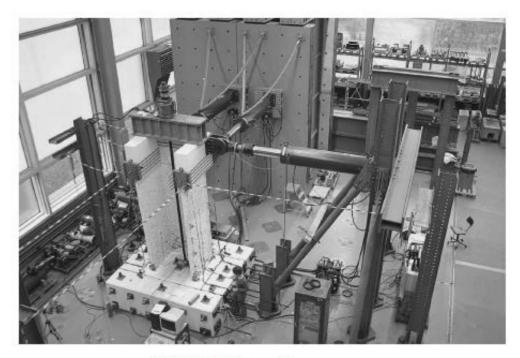


FIGURE 7 Photo of the test setup.

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#### CLT Core-wall System

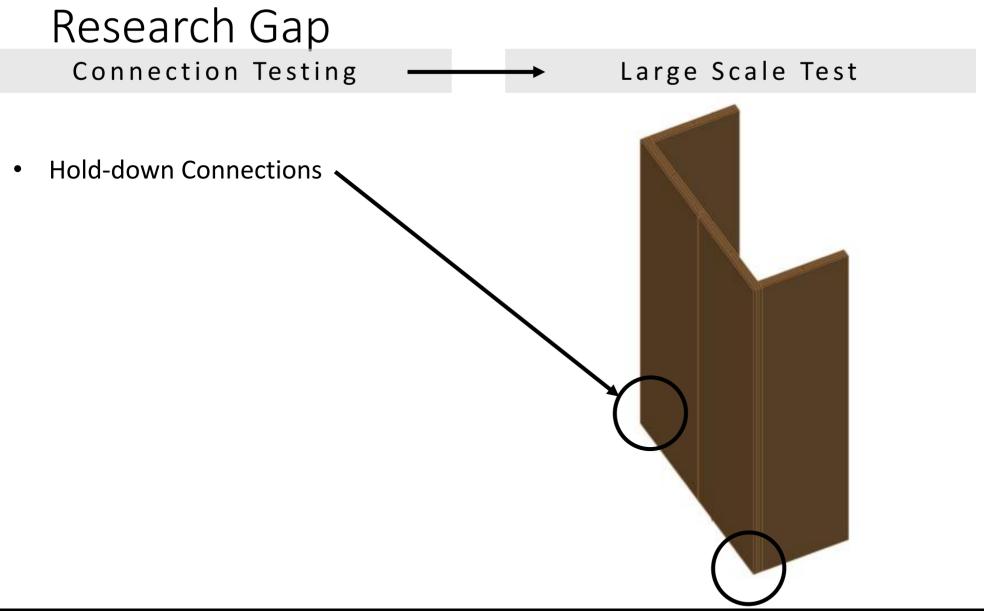


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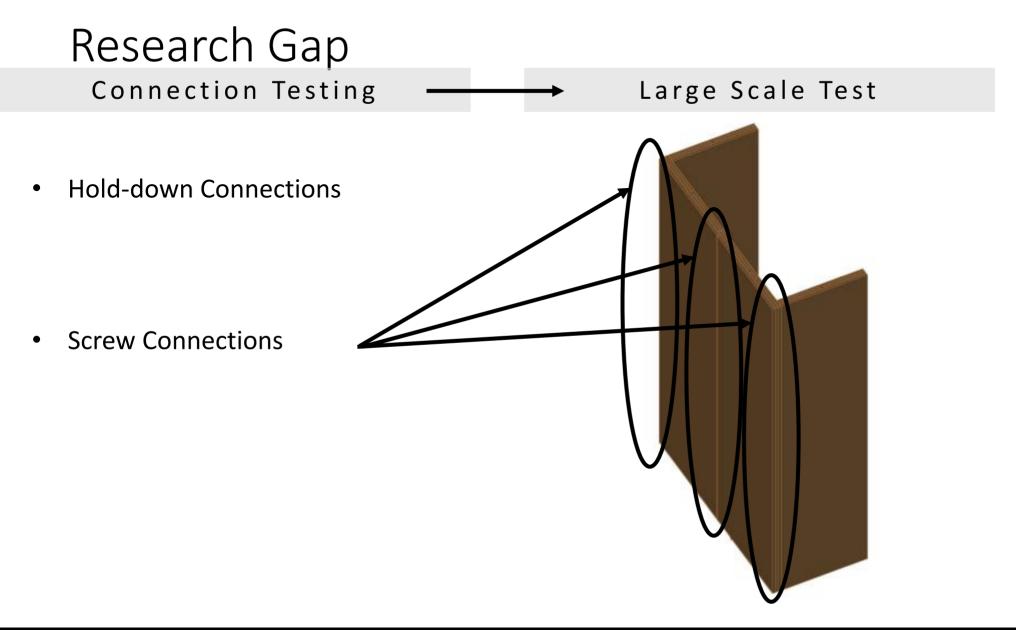
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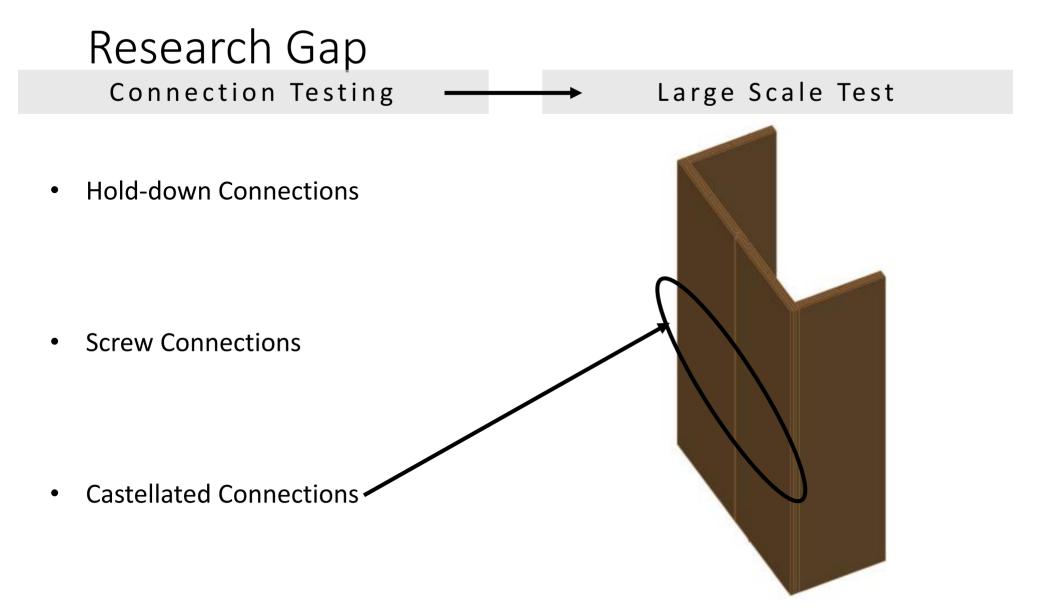


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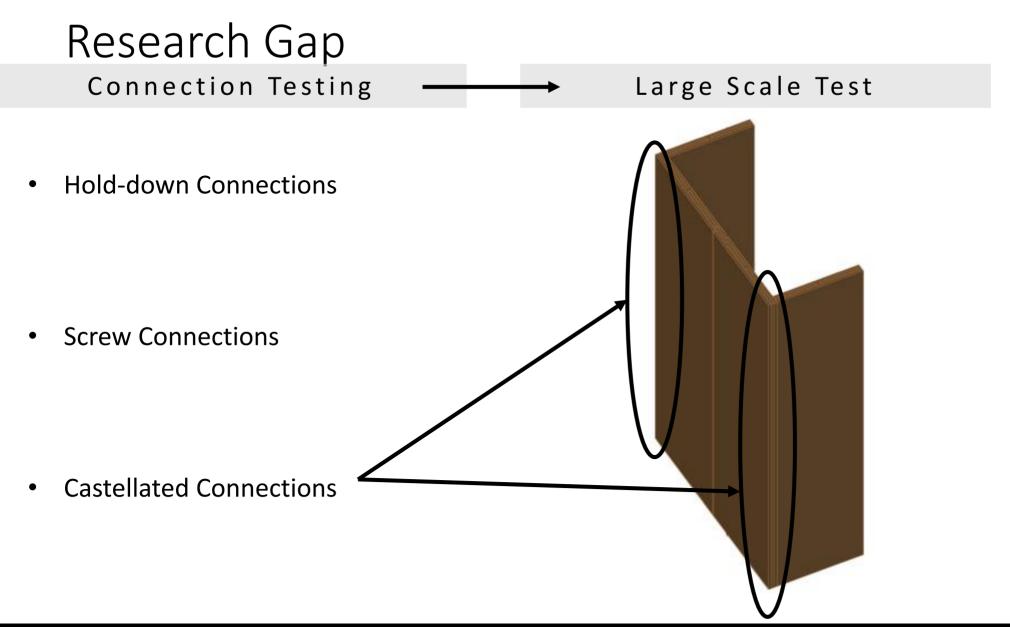
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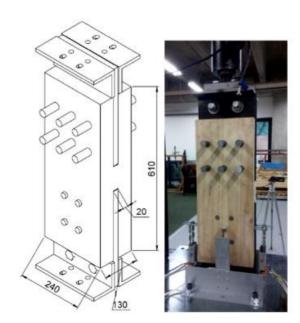




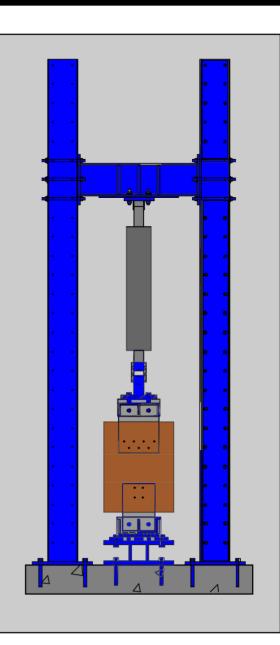
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### Dowelled Hold-down Connections

- Axial force connection at horizontal joint
- Validating and extending research by Ottenhaus (2017)
- Strong connection with ductility



Hold-down Connection (Ottenhaus, Li, Smith, et al., 2017)





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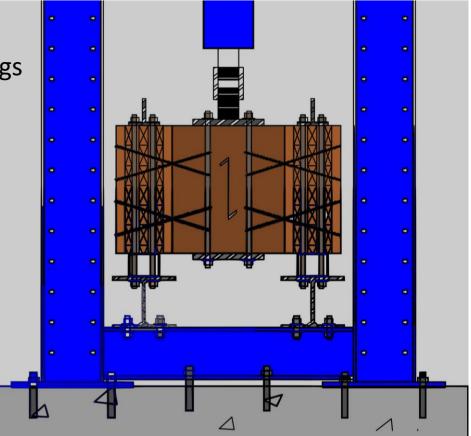
• In Industry





#### Screwed Connections

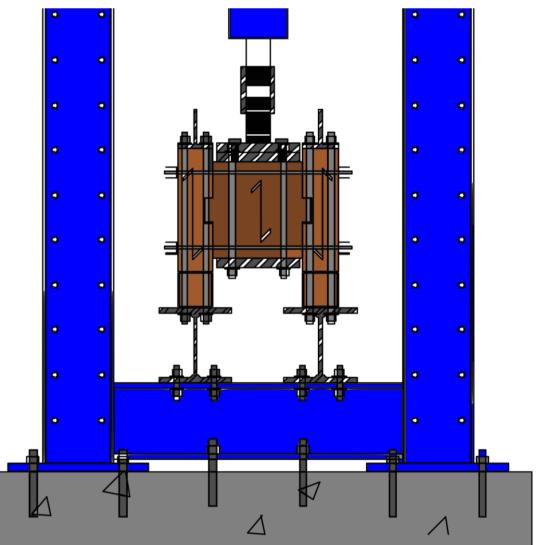
- Used in horizontal and vertical joint
- Most typical connection technique for CLT buildings
- Can perform well both axially and in shear





### **Castellated Joint Connections**

- Used in horizontal and vertical joint
- Shear force transfer between CLT panels





### **Castellated Joint Connections**



Otago Polytechnic Building (c/o Minghao Li)

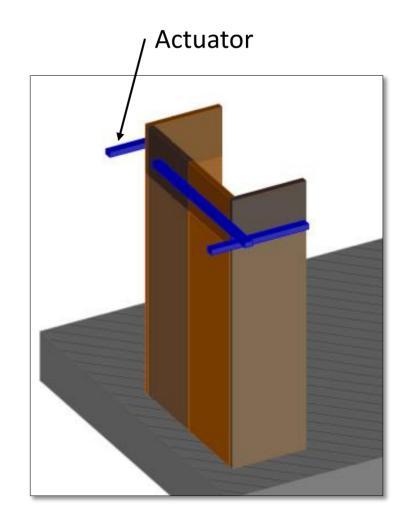


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C-shaped core-wall test

#### **Key Considerations:**

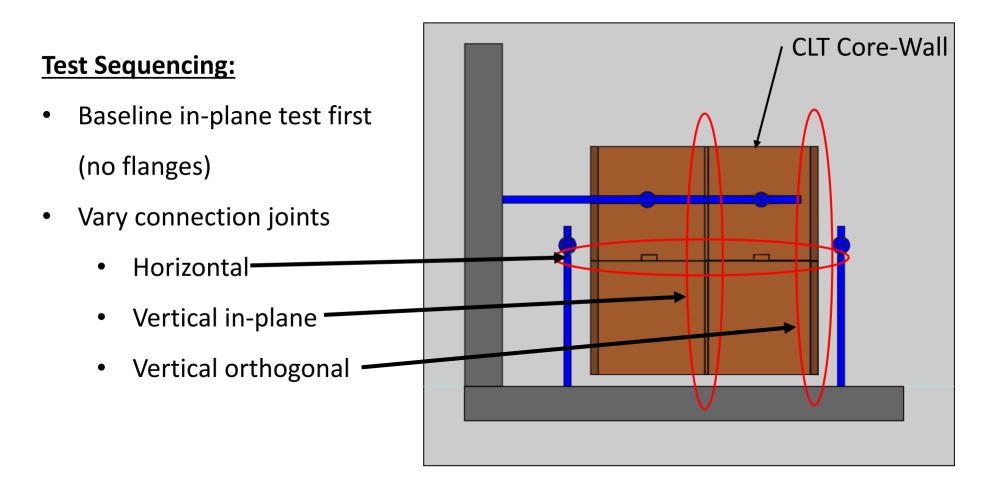
- Bi-directional cloverleaf test pattern
- Implement horizontal and vertical joints in test
- High-performance (Pres-Lam) and conventional systems will be tested





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#### Large-scale core wall tests





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