



## Adaptation of Advanced High R-Factor Bracing Systems into Heavy Timber Frames

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Design and Systems  
Mechanical Properties

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Cyclic Testing  
Ductility  
Damping Devices  
R-factors

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### Summary:

Timber provides attractive earthquake performance characteristics for regions of high seismic risk, particularly its high strength-to-weight ratio; however, current timber structural systems are associated with relatively low design force reduction factors due to their low inherent ductility when compared to high-performance concrete and steel...

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**Advanced Wood-Based Solutions for Mid-Rise and High-Rise Construction: In-Situ Testing of the Origine 13-Storey Building for Vibration and Acoustic Performances**



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Country of Publication: Canada

Format: Report

Material: CLT (Cross-Laminated Timber)

Application: Wood Building Systems  
Floors  
Walls

Topic: Acoustics and Vibration  
Serviceability

Keywords: Origine  
Natural Frequencies  
Damping Ratios  
Sound Insulation  
Ambient Vibration Tests  
Static Deflection  
Apparent Sound Transmission Class  
Apparent Impact Insulation Class

Language: English

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**Summary:**

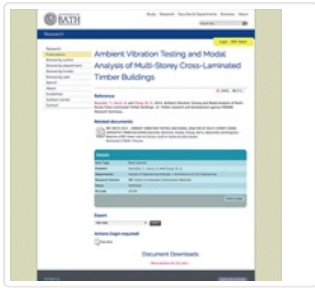
Serviceability performance studied covers three different performance attributes of a building. These attributes are 1) vibration of the whole building structure, 2) vibration of the floor system, typically in regards to motions in a localized area within the entire floor plate, and 3) sound insulation performance of the wall and floor assemblies. Serviceability performance of a building is important as it affects the comfort of its occupants and the functionality of sensitive equipment as well. Many physical factors influence these performances. Designers use various parameters to account for them in their designs and different criteria to manage these performances. Lack of data, knowledge and experience of sound and vibration performance of tall wood buildings is one of the issues related to design and construction of tall wood buildings.

In order to bridge the gaps in the data, knowledge, and experience of sound and vibration performance of tall wood buildings, FPInnovations conducted a three-phase performance testing on the Origine 13-storey CLT building of 40.9 m tall in Quebec city. It was the tallest wood building in Eastern Canada in 2017.

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<https://www.bcfii.ca/sites/default/files/report/fpi/16795.pdf>



## Ambient Vibration Testing and Modal Analysis of Multi-Storey Cross Laminated Timber Buildings

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Chang, Wen-Shao  
Harris, Richard  
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Year of Publication: 2014

Country of Publication: Canada

Format: Conference Paper

Material: CLT (Cross-Laminated Timber)

Application: Wood Building Systems

Topic: Acoustics and Vibration  
Wind  
Serviceability

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Multi-Storey  
Damping

Language: English

Conference: World Conference on Timber Engineering

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### Summary:

The ambient movement of three modern multi-storey timber buildings has been measured and used to determine modal properties. This information, obtained by a simple, unobtrusive series of tests, can give insights into the structural performance of these forms of building, as well as providing information for the design of future, taller timber buildings for dynamic loads. For two of the buildings, the natural frequency has been related to the lateral stiffness of the structure, and compared with that given by a simple calculation. In future tall timber buildings, a new design criterion is expected to become important: deflection and vibration serviceability under wind load. For multi-storey timber buildings there is currently no empirical basis to estimate damping for calculation of wind-induced vibration, and there is little information for stiffness under wind load. This study therefore presents a method to address those gaps in knowledge.

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<http://opus.bath.ac.uk/42195/>



## Ambient Vibration Tests of a Cross-Laminated Timber Building

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Application: Wood Building Systems  
Shear Walls

Topic: Wind

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Multi-Storey  
Stiffness  
Modal Properties  
Ambient Vibration Method

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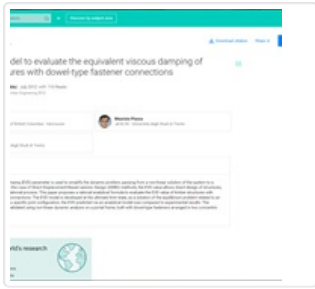
Summary:

Cross-laminated timber has, in the last 6 years, been used for the first time to form shear walls and cores in multi-storey buildings of seven storeys or more. Such buildings can have low mass in comparison to conventional structural forms. This low mass means that, as cross-laminated timber is used for taller buildings still, their dynamic movement under wind load is likely to be a key design parameter. An understanding of dynamic lateral stiffness and damping, which has so far been insufficiently researched, will be vital to the effective design for wind-induced vibration. In this study, an ambient vibration method is used to identify the dynamic properties of a seven-storey cross-laminated timber building in situ. The random decrement method is used, along with the Ibrahim time domain method, to extract the modal properties of the structure from the acceleration measured under ambient conditions. The results show that this output-only modal analysis method can be used to extract modal information from such a building, and that information is compared with a simple structural model. Measurements on two occasions during construction show the effect of non-structural elements on the modal properties of the structure.

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# Analytical Model to Evaluate the Equivalent Viscous Damping of Timber Structures with Dowel-Type Fastener Connections

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Topic: Connections

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Moment Resisting Joints  
Dowel-Type Connections  
Non-linear Dynamic Analysis  
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## Case Study: An 18 Storey Tall Mass Timber Hybrid Student Residence at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver

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Material: CLT (Cross-Laminated Timber)

Application: Wood Building Systems

Topic: Design and Systems

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Rolling Shear  
Prefabrication  
Damping  
Tolerances

Language: English

Conference: World Conference on Timber Engineering

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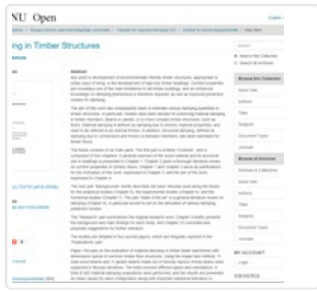
### Summary:

This article outlines the structural design approach used for the Brock Commons Student Residence project, an 18-storey wood building at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, Canada. When completed in summer 2017, it will be the tallest mass timber hybrid building in the world at 53 meters high. Fast + Epp are the structural engineers, working in conjunction with Acton Ostry Architects and Hermann Kaufmann Architekten. Total project costs, inclusive of fees, permits etc. are \$51.5M CAD.

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<http://www.fastepp.com/wp-content/uploads/WCTE-Tallwood-House-at-Brock-Commons-Case-Study-Credit-Fast-Epp.pdf>



## Damping in Timber Structures

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Application: Wood Building Systems  
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Topic: Design and Systems  
Keywords: Damping  
Model  
Panels  
Spruce  
Testing  
Vibrations  
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### Summary:

Key point to development of environmentally friendly timber structures, appropriate to urban ways of living, is the development of high-rise timber buildings. Comfort properties are nowadays one of the main limitations to tall timber buildings, and an enhanced knowledge on damping phenomena is therefore required, as well as improved prediction models for damping.

The aim of this work has consequently been to estimate various damping quantities in timber structures. In particular, models have been derived for predicting material damping in timber members, beams or panels, or in more complex timber structures, such as floors. Material damping is defined as damping due to intrinsic material properties, and used to be referred to as internal friction. In addition, structural damping, defined as damping due to connections and friction in-between members, has been estimated for timber floors.

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# Designing Pedestrian Stress-Laminated Timber Bridges for Multiple Spans: Parameters Related to Dynamic Response

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Vibrations  
Eigenfrequency  
Damping

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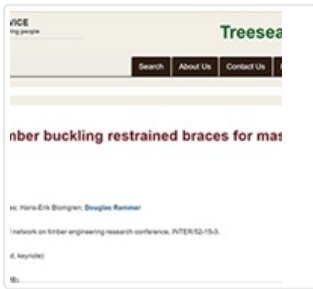
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## Development of Timber Buckling Restrained Braces for Mass Timber Braced Frames

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Application: Frames

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Design and Systems

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Buckling  
Damping  
Fuse  
Seismic  
Structure  
Timber

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Conference: International Network on Timber Engineering Research

Research Status: Complete

### Summary:

Buckling Restrained Brace Frames (BRBF) are a proven and reliable method to provide an efficient lateral force resisting system for new and existing structures in earthquake prone regions. The fuse-type elements in this system facilitate stable energy dissipation at large load deformation levels. Currently, the new trend towards mass timber vertical structures creates a need for a lightweight compatible lateral force resisting system. A Buckling Restrained Brace (BRB) component is possible to construct and feasible to implement when combining a steel core with a mass timber casing herein named the Timber-Buckling Restrained Brace (T-BRB). T-BRBs when combined with mass timber beam and column elements can create a system that will have advantages over the current steel framed BRBF system when considering recyclability, sustainability, framing compatibility, and performance. This paper presents findings on small scale testing of candidate engineered wood products for the T-BRB casing and testing of six full scale 12 ft long 60 kip braces according to code prescribed loading protocols and acceptance criteria.

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<https://www.fs.usda.gov/treesearch/pubs/59081>



## Direct Displacement-Based Seismic Design of Timber Structures with Dowel-Type Fastener Connections

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Topic: Seismic  
Connections

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Equivalent Viscous Damping  
Dowel Type Fastener

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Research Status: Complete

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