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Large Glulam Structures in Norway

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→ From 1959 to 1989:

Ordinary production and products.

Example: Typical sporting hall from 1970



→ Juan Antonio Samaranch:

"The decision is Lillehammer"

The decision was that Lillehammer should host the 17th Olympic Winter games in 1994



For the Olympics:

→ Several halls with free span up to 100 metres have to be built

→ Our goal:

Minimum one of the large halls had to be built with loadbearing structures in laminated timber.

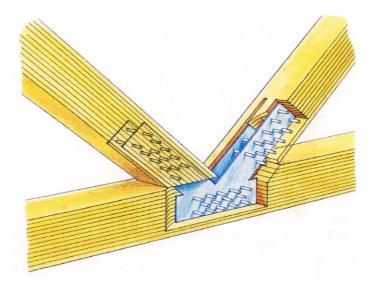
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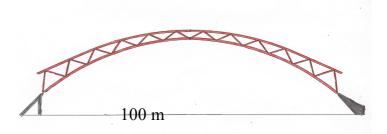


The Olympic stadiums

→The solution:

- Arches
- Trusses
- Slotted in steel plates
- Dowels



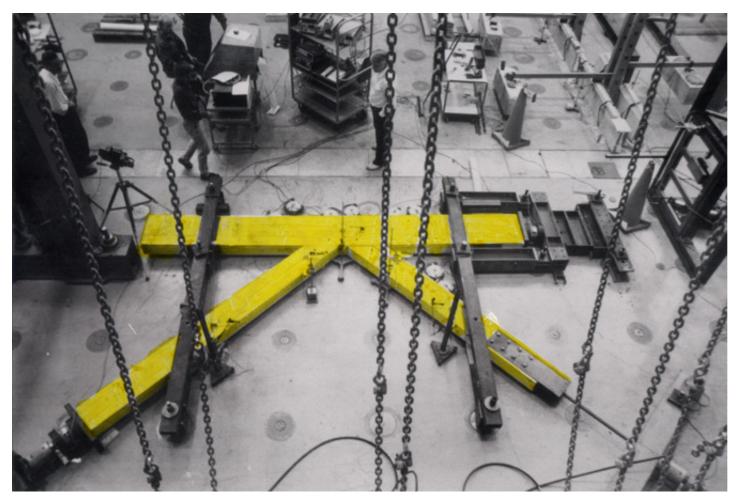


→Old systems, but new combinations:

- Thickness of steel plates
- Dowel dimentions
- Steel quality
- Wood thickness



The Olympic Stadiums



Test of dowel connection



Hamar Olympic Hall "The Viking ship"

Maximum span: 96.4 m

• Length: 260 m



Architects:

• Niels Torp / Biong Architects.





Håkons Hall

• Maximum span: 85,8 m

• Length: 127 m

Architects:

Østgård arkitekter AS







Hamar Olympic Amphitheatre

• Maximum span: 70,8 m

• Length: 95 m

Architects:

HRTB, Hovde ArkitekterAS

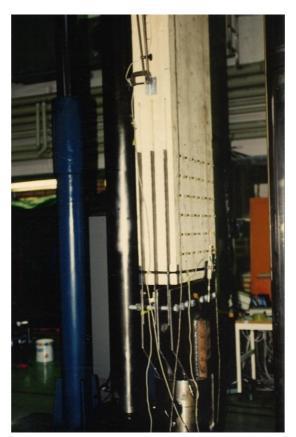






Test of joint with an ultimate design tension load of 7 000 kN









Football Halls



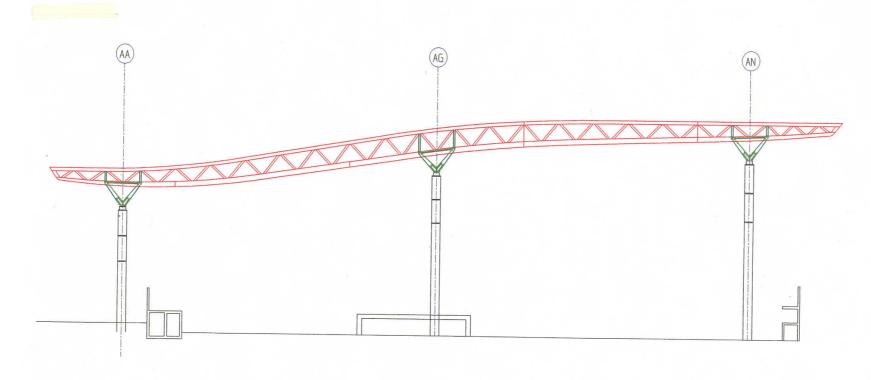
Sørlandshallen, Kristiansand

Architects: Biong Architects.

Span: 81 metres

Length: 112 metres





• Total lengde 136 m

Architects: Aviaplan AS



Free span 2 x 54 metres

Total length 136 metres

Architechts: Aviaplan AS



















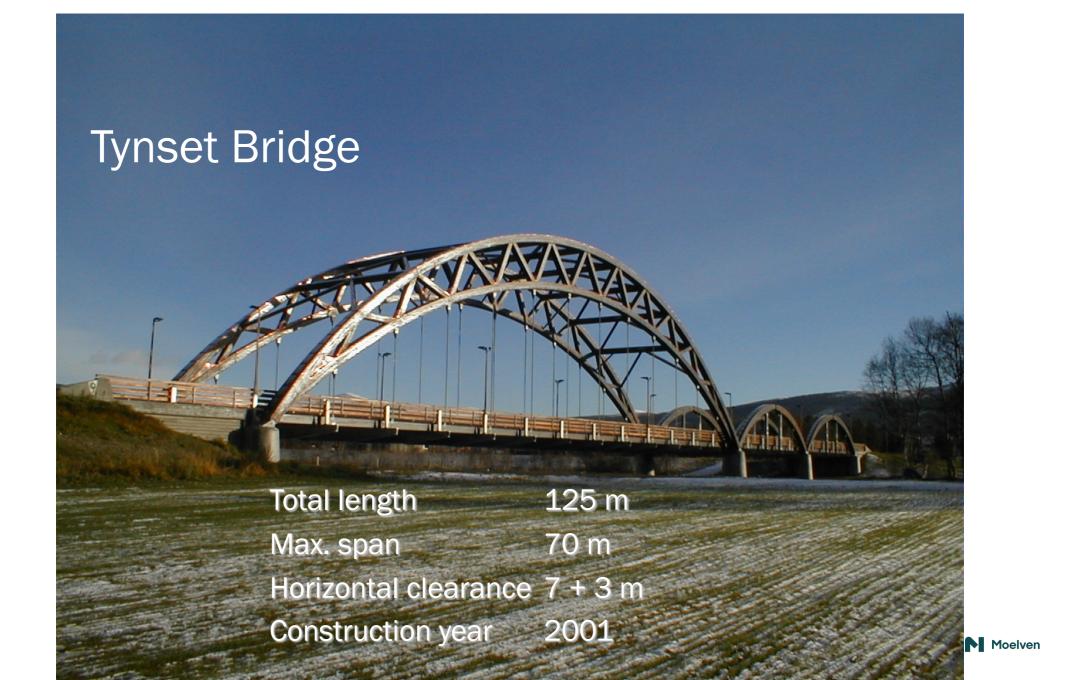
The NordicTimber Bridge Project

- → The objective was to increase the competitive power of timber in bridges compared to other structural materials
- → The project was running in the period 1994 2001
 - Participation: Finland, Sweden, Denmark and Norway Industry, Research Institute., University and Road authorities









Flisa Bridge





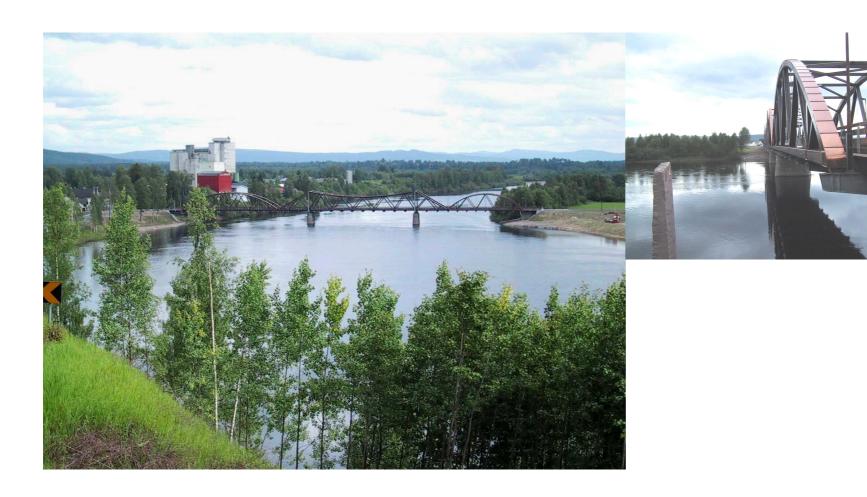
Bridges

- →Flisa bridge (2003)
- →Free span 70 metres
- →Total length 197 metres.
- → Plan Architects AS





Flisa Bridge



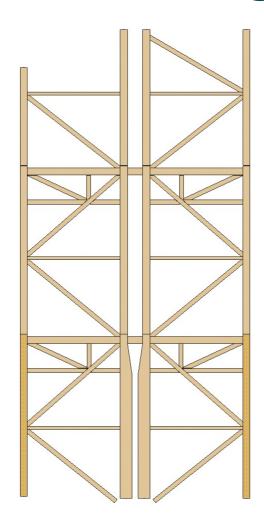


"TREET" - the world's tallest timber building in 2015





Assembling trusses in a factory



Trusses are completely finished in the factory

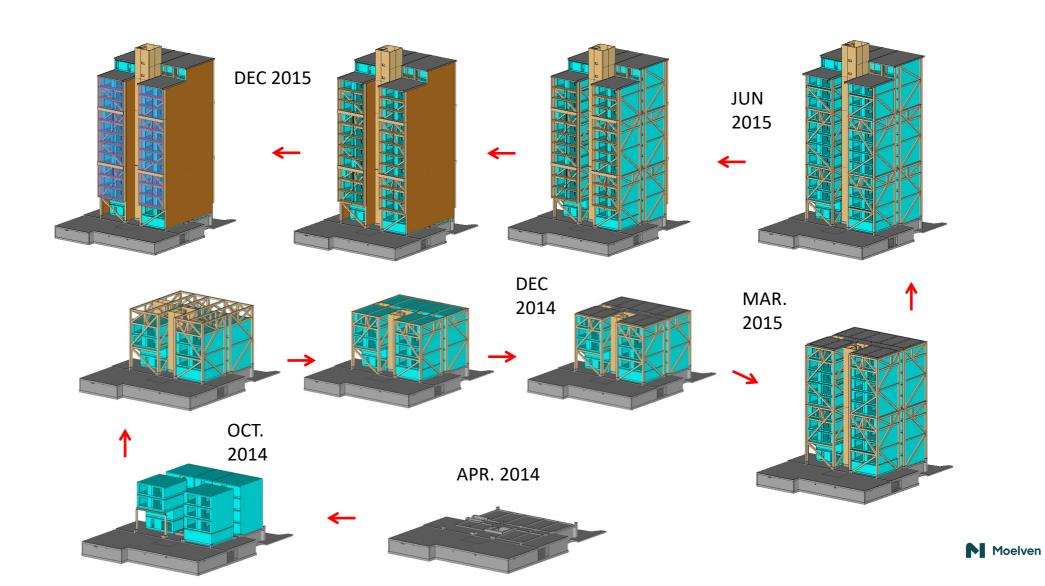
• Size: 10x45m

The entire geometry is laid out precisely in the factory

- All parts are finished cut and adapted to each other and all holes are drilled
- Geometry can then be reproduced exactly on the construction site
- A total of 16 truss axes was produced before start installation



ASSEMBLY PHASES

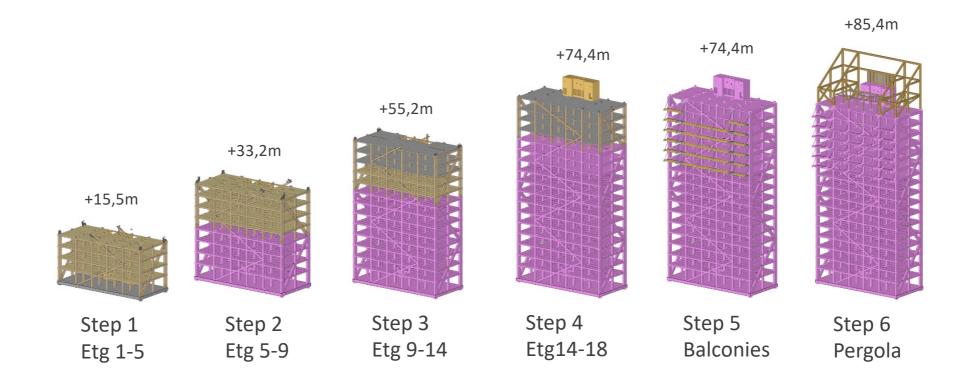




Mjøstårnet –

the world's tallest timber building in Brumunddal when completed in 2019





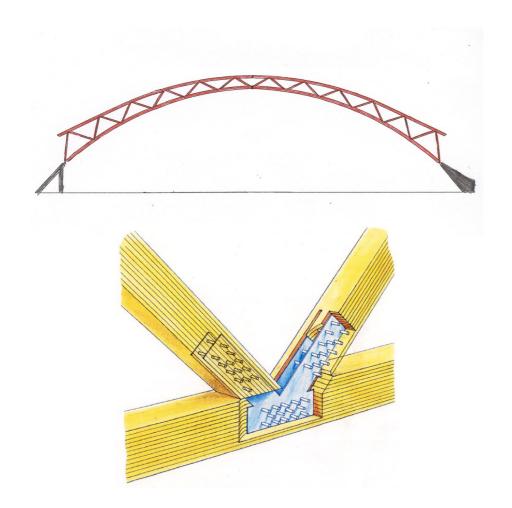
Assembly steps







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Thank you for listening



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