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# FEM simulation of glulam beams with stochastic material properties

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## Introduction







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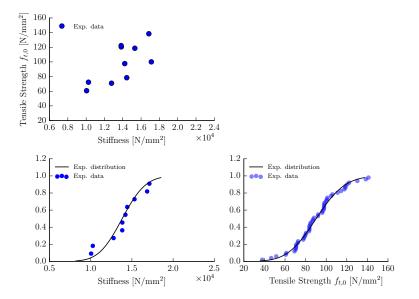
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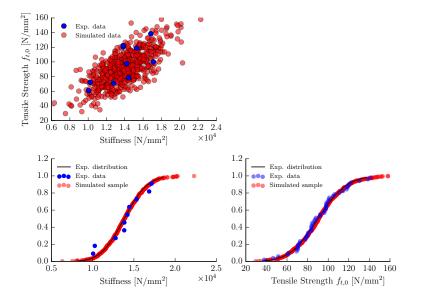
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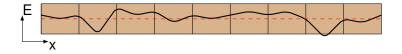


## distribution of properties within boards

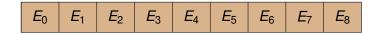








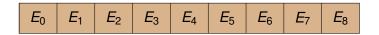








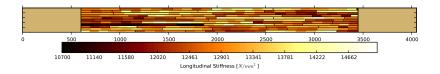






## Input Data: Example







### Finite Element Model



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## Definition of material properties





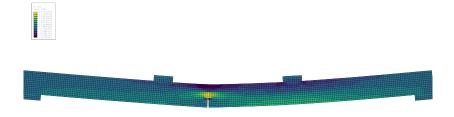


## Definition of failure region (XFEM)





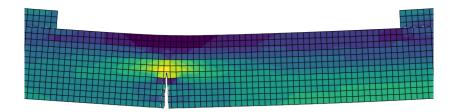




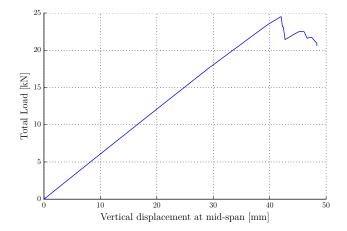
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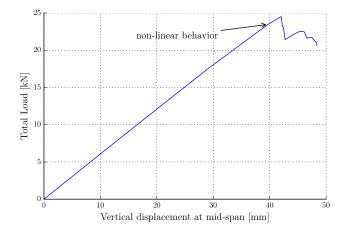




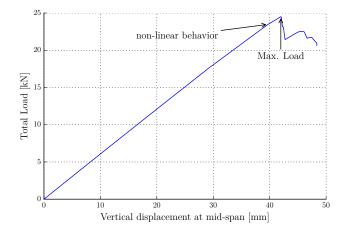














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