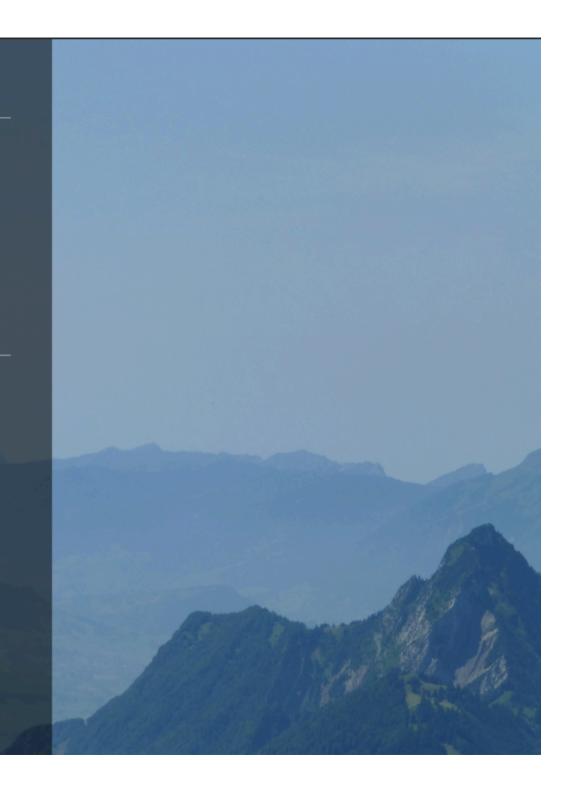
Chapter 10

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# sys·tem (sistem)

n.

- 1. A group of interacting, interrelated, or interdependent elements forming a complex whole.
- 2. A functionally related group of elements, especially:
  - a. The human body regarded as a functional physiological unit.
  - **b.** An organism as a whole, especially with regard to its vital processes or functions.
  - c. A group of physiologically or anatomically complementary organs or parts: the nervous system; the skeletal system.
  - d. A group of interacting mechanical or electrical components.
  - e. A network of structures and channels, as for communication, travel, or distribution.
  - f. A network of related computer software, hardware, and data transmission devices.
- 3. An organized set of interrelated ideas or principles.
- 4. A social, economic, or political organizational form.
- 5. A naturally occurring group of objects or phenomena: the solar system.
- 6. A set of objects or phenomena grouped together for classification or analysis.
- A condition of harmonious, orderly interaction.
- An organized and coordinated method; a procedure. See Synonyms at method.
- The prevailing social order; the establishment. Used with the: You can't beat the system.

[Late Latin systema, systemat-, from Greek sustema, from sunistanai, to combine: sun-, syn-+ histanai, set up, establish; see sta- in Indo-European roots.]

## ter·ri·to·ry <sup>◄</sup> (tĕr' ¡-tôr'ē, -t丙r'ē)

#### n. pl. ter·ri·to·ries

- An area of land; a region.
- 2. The land and waters under the jurisdiction of a government.

3.

- a. A political subdivision of a country.
- **b.** A geographic region, such as a colonial possession, that is dependent on an external government: the territories of the Holy Roman Empire.

#### 4. often Territory

- a. A subdivision of the United States that is not a state and is administered by an appointed or elected governor and elected legislature.
- b. A similarly organized political subdivision of Canada or Australia.
- An area for which a person is responsible as a representative or agent: a salesperson's territory.
- Sports The area of a field defended by a specified team: punted the ball deep into the opponent's territory.
- 7. Biology An area occupied by a single animal, mating pair, or group and often vigorously defended against intruders, especially those of the same species.
- A sphere of action or interest; a province. See Synonyms at <u>field</u>.

[Middle English, from Latin territorium, from terra, earth; see ters- in Indo-European roots.]

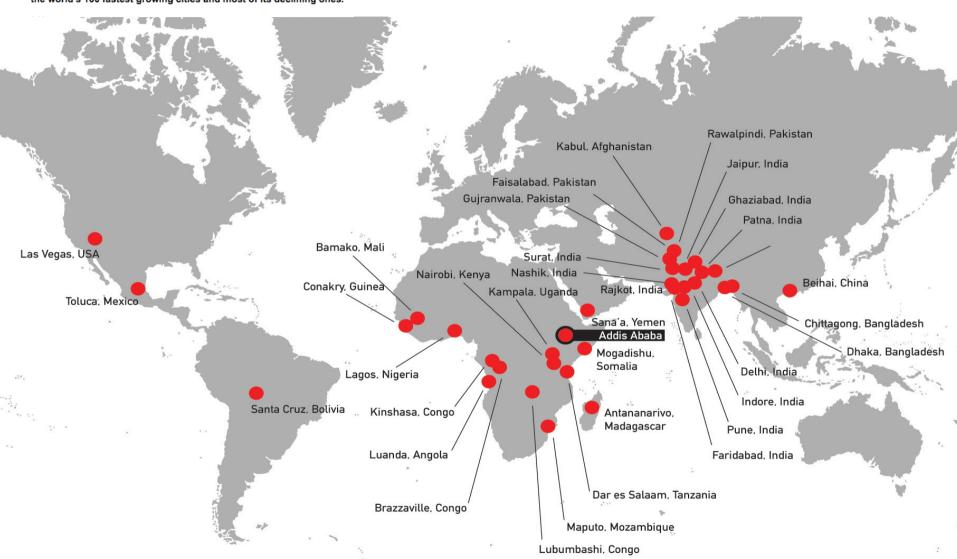
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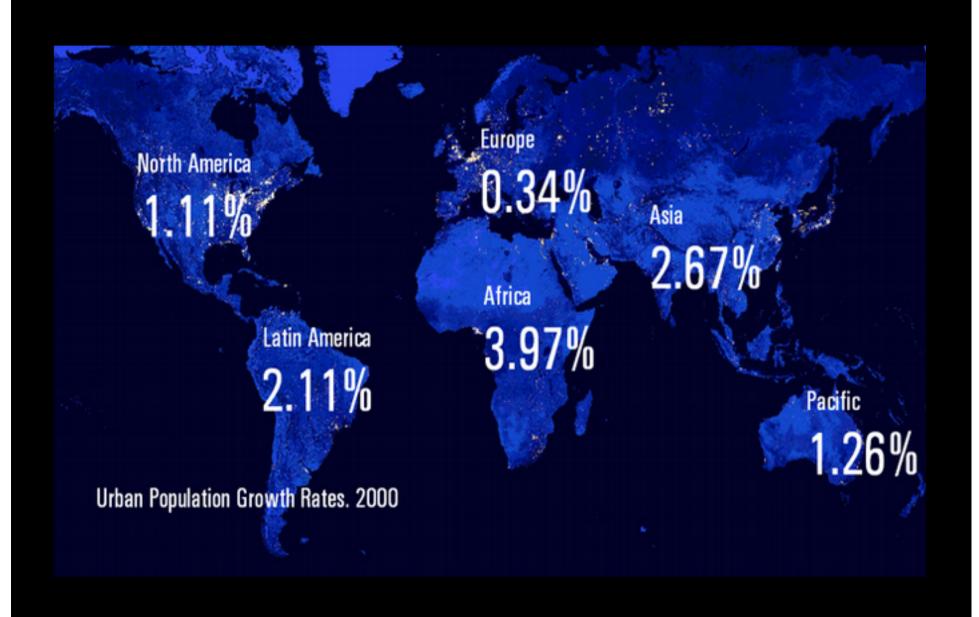
Interrelation between physical entities or regions or: complex spatial interplay

24 October 2007: Africa now has a larger urban population than North America and has 25 of the world's <u>fastest growing large cities</u>. Half of the world's urban population now lives in Asia, which also has half of the world's largest cities and fastest growing large cities. Europe's share of the world's 100 largest cities has fallen from more than half to under ten per cent in the past century. It now has none of the world's 100 fastest growing cities and most of its declining ones.



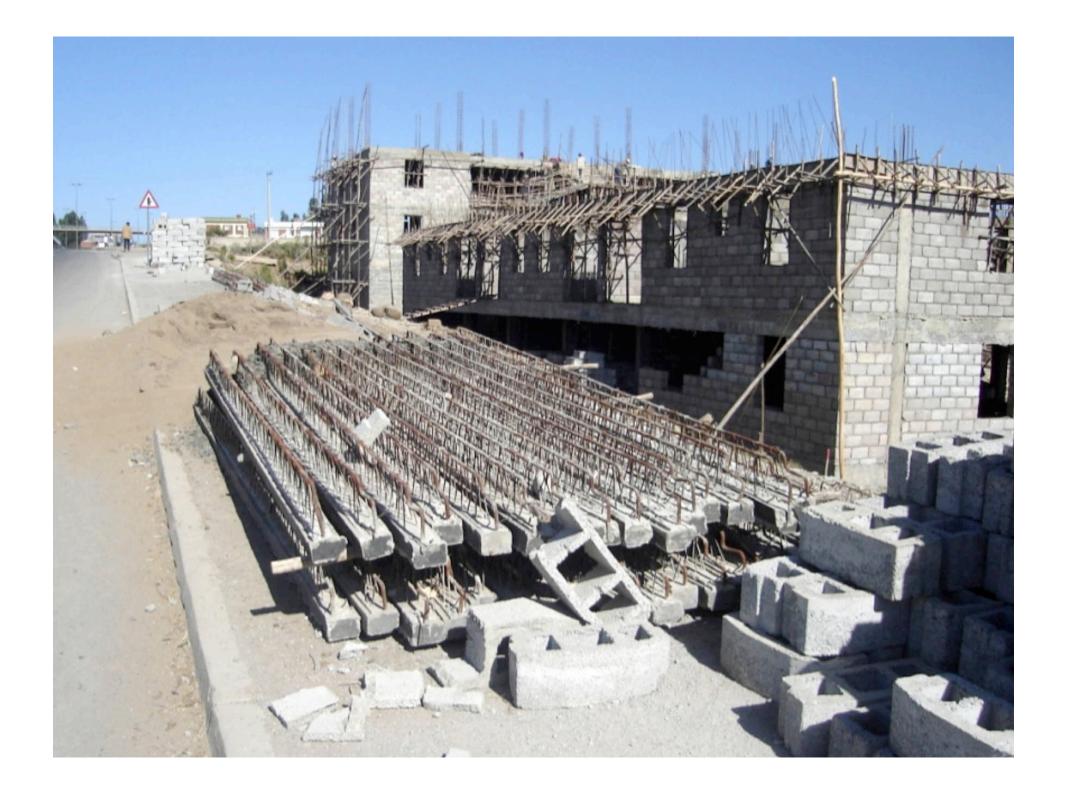
The world's 35 fastest growing cities and urban areas from 2006 to 2020 (by CityMayors.com)

### **DEVELOPMENT**

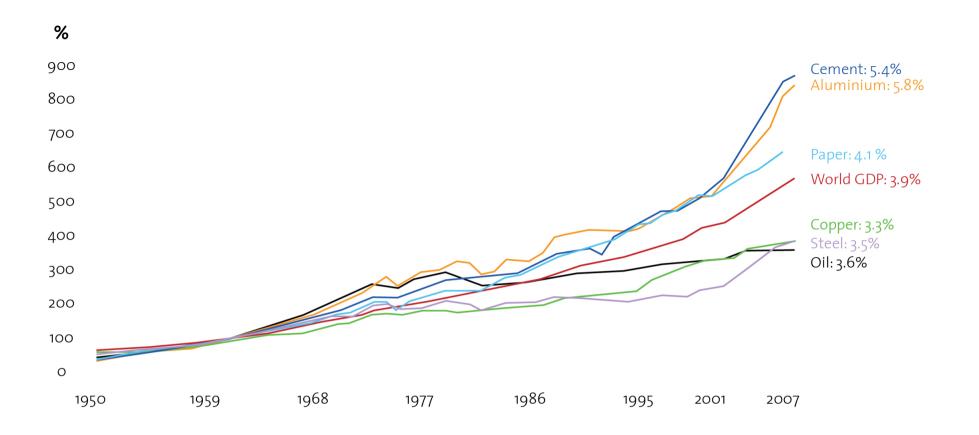








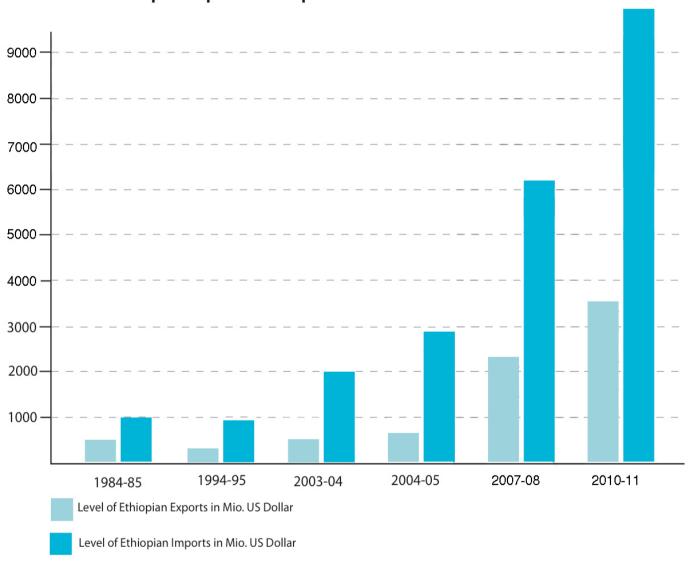




#### **Basic Materials Consumption World**

Maddison database, BP, US Geological Survey, ICR, Cembureau 2011

### Level of Ethiopian Exports and Imports in Mio. US Dollar





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#### Cities as proto-typologies

July 10, 2012 | Edit

Public lecture by Prof. Dirk E. Hebel at the 2012 Academia Engelberg Congress in Switzerland on September 14, 2012. The 11th Dialogue on Science will focus on the issue of rapid urbanization and its consequences for everyday life in cities around the world. With this congress the Academia Engelberg Foundation asks how might the disciplines of architecture, urbanism and the built environment sciences respond to the challenges of rapid urbanization?

The Chair of Architecture and Construction at the Future Cities Laboratory in Singapore concentrates its research on 'alternative modern' construction materials. The 'alternative' aspect of this focus emerges from an exploration of the possibility of knowledge transfer, which could change the way we think about vernacular or traditional building materials. One material, maybe the most neglected building material in the world so far, has the chance to change our perspective: Bamboo, "the next supermaterial" as it was called out in a recent BBC documentary. It is growing exactly in those regions around the equator belt, where most developing territories are to be found today. Bamboo is a very fast growing and affordable natural resource, which has outstanding constructive qualities, superior to wood and, looking at tensile capacities, even to steel.

Re-inventing and overcoming its role as a old fashioned vernacular building material of the South, it could start to establish a knowledge transfer from South-to-South or South-to-North and reverse the traditional model. The talk will argue, that through knowledge transfer, there is a chance to combine and therefore revaluate globally applied building materials with local available substances and knowledge from the South. It is proposing the possibility for a 'reverse' or 'alternative modernism', whereby developed countries might start to learn and gain from a knowledge developed in the 'South'.

#### Constructing Alternatives

July 9, 2012 | Edit

BAMBOO SOIL STRAW WASTE

#### ADDIS 2050 - International Workshop at FCL Singapore

August 3, 2012 | Edit



The Chair of Architecture and Construction Dirk E. Hebel at FCL Singapore together with Heinrich Boell Foundation and the Ethiopian Institute of Architecture, Building Construction and City Development is organizing an international workshop to develope a vision for Addis Ababa in the year 2050. The African population is growing fast and urbanization will shape the coming decades. Existing cities are changing rapidly and new infrastructures and buildings are constructed at an enormous speed, ambitious plans are in place to create dozens of new cities from scratch. Currently, the focus of this development seems to be "catching up" with developed or emerging economies. In many cases, a 'copy/paste' mentality to urban development includes a repetition of the mistakes made elsewhere: expensive imported construction materials such as cement, glass and steel are preferred over locally available and more sustainable solutions, public spaces are diminishing, an increasing separation of working and living quarters enlarges transportation needs and traffic concepts concentrate on cars and individual rather than public transportation.

#### **Building with Earth Workshop**

August 1, 2012 | Edit



#### TEAM

#### OPERATIONAL FRAMEWORK

#### RESEARCH

Bamboo Materials

Straw Materials

Soil and Earth Masonry

Waste Materials

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#### IMPORTANT LINKS

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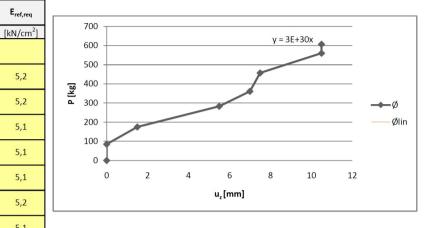




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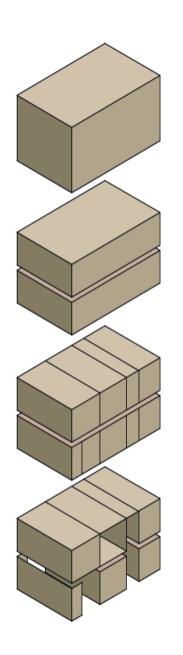
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#### A BLOCK

A SUSTAINABLE EMERGING CITY UNIT IS TO BE CONSTRUCTED WITH A FOOTPRINT OF 8.69\*6m² RELATIVELY BASIC GEOMETERY.

#### TWO FLOORS

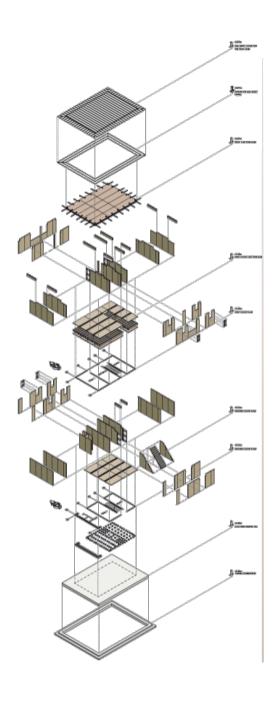
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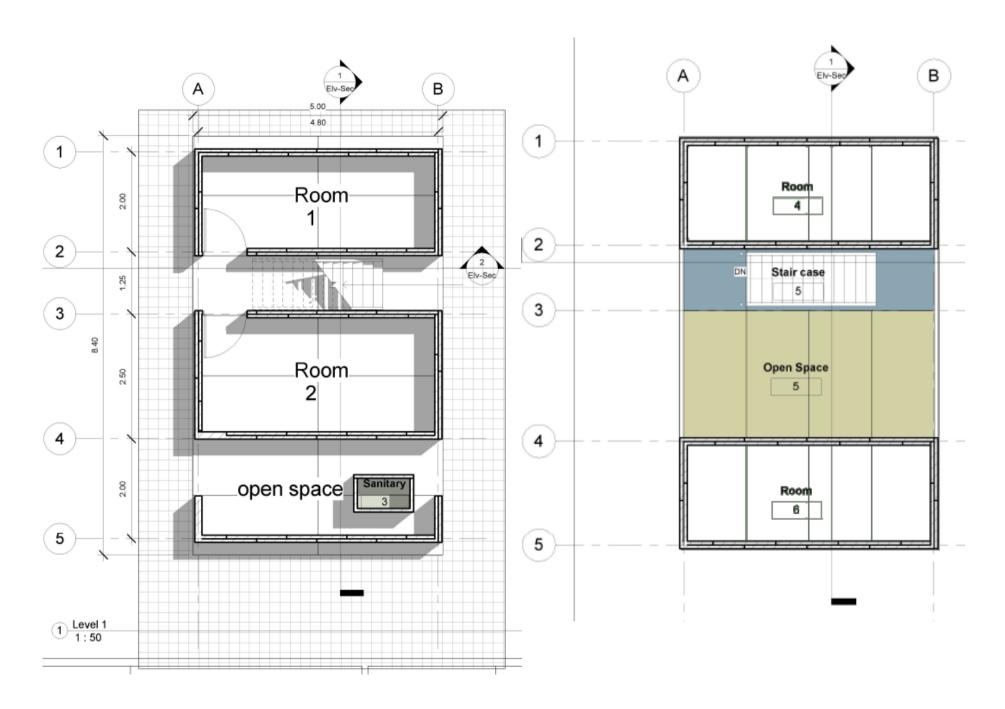
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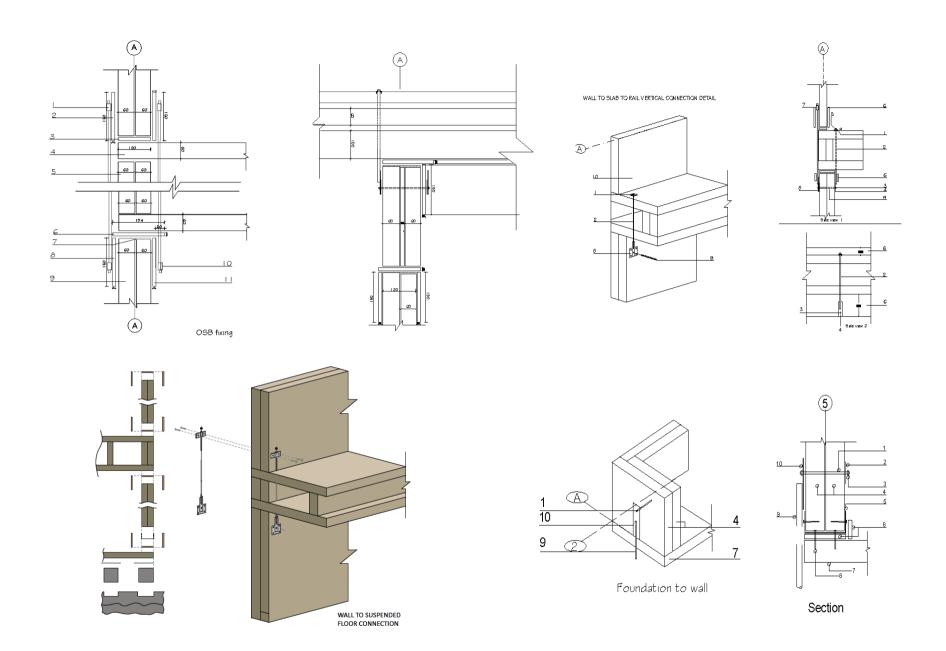
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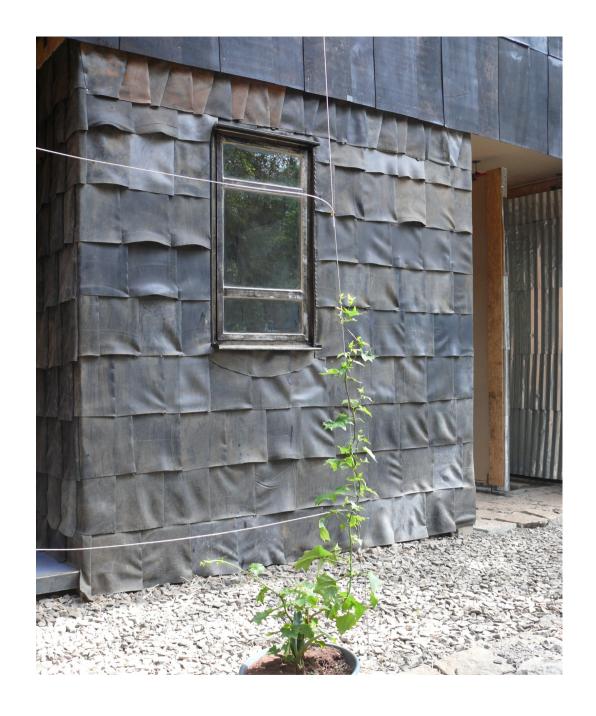
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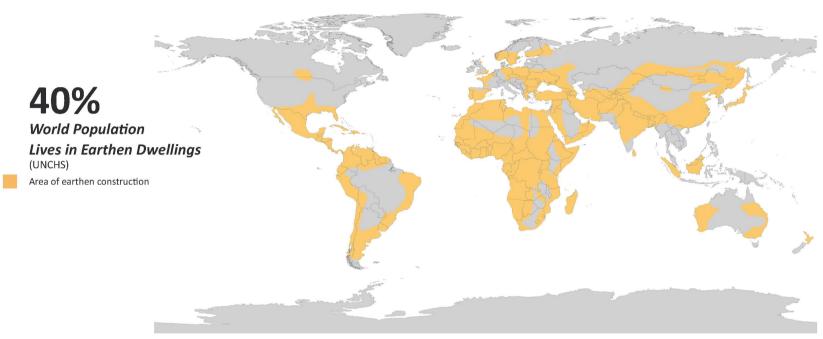


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# SOIL

Soil is a natural body consisting of layers (soil horizons) of primarily mineral constituents of variable thicknesses, which differ from the parent materials in their texture, structure, consistence, color, chemical, biological and other physical characteristics.

#### GLOBAL DISTRIBUTION OF EARTHEN MASONRY CONSTRUCTION:



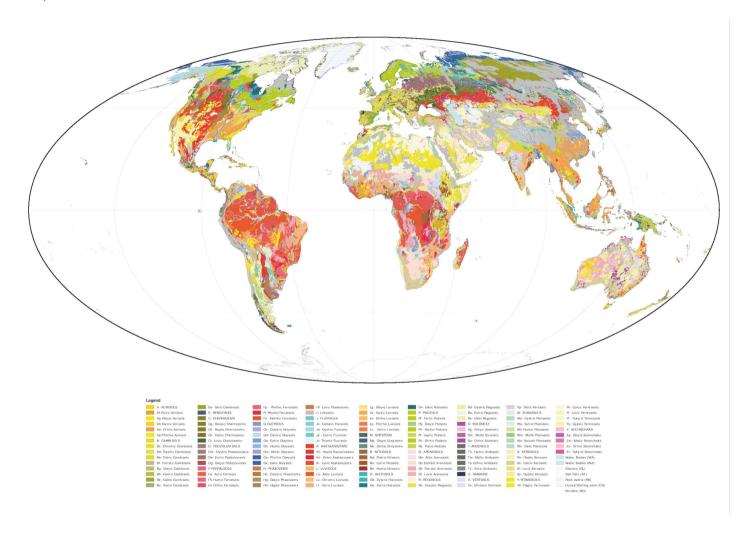
Drawing After: Gandreau and Delboy, 2010

#### SOIL AS A BUILDING MATERIAL

- Almost all soils can be adapted for construction
- Locally available & abundant
- Inexpensive

- Low Carbon footprint
- Reduces use of imported materials
- Invests capital in local production & labor economies

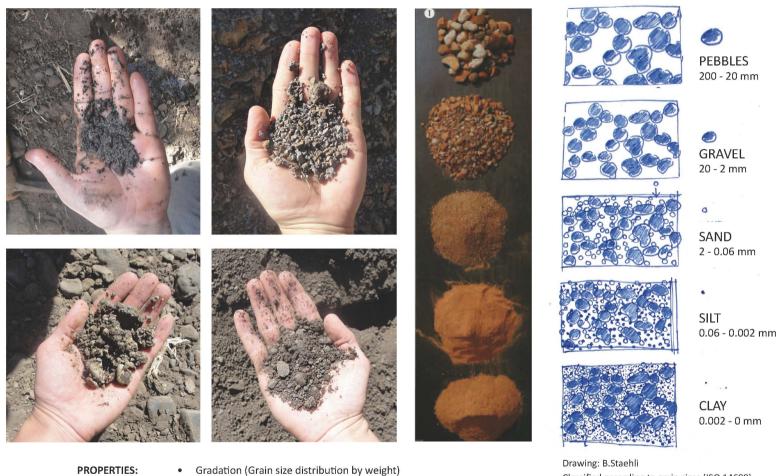
## SOIL AS A RAW MATERIAL: GLOBAL DISTRIBUTION FAO-UNESCO Digital Soil Map



## SOIL DIVERSITY – VARIATION FOUND WITHIN A 10 KM RADIUS Gubrie, Ethiopia



#### **SOIL COMPONENTS & PROPERTIES**



- Compressibility (Energy of compaction/ Optimal moisture content)
- Plasticity (Shrinking/ swelling behavior of silts and clays)
- Cohesion (Capillarity/ Cation exchange)

Classified according to grain sizes (ISO 14688).



# **EiABC** Ethiopian Institute of Architecture Building Construction and City Development

Addis Ababa University

# SUDU

### SUSTAINABLE URBAN DWELLING UNIT

EIABC PRESENTS IN COOPERATION WITH THE FEDERAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (ETH) IN ZÜRICH:

## ETHiopia Urban Laboratory: The SummerSchool

June 28th - July 18th 2010, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

#### Contex

already over-strained or not yet existing dran settlements. The next decades will be fundamental in shaping the long-term future of the country by the methods, instruments and ideas needed for his urgent development are still to be identified. The interdisciplinary ETHiopia Summer School will being together faculty members and students from ETH Zurich and the Ethiopian Institute of Architecture, Building Construction and City Development and the time of the country o

#### Goa

A full-scale, low-cost prototype building in the form of a SUOU (Sustainable Urban Dwelling Unit) will be the primary outcome of the summer the offered case studies will not only provide hands-on methods for sustainable urban development in Addis Ababa, but also offer a vision regions in Africa. Following projects are expected to build upon the first experiences both within Ethiopia and also where

#### Outlin

The ETHiopia SummerSchool will be composed of 12 students from the ETH Zurich and 20 students from EIABC in addition to facu nembers with different fields of expertise. The summer school will

Architecture and Construction

• Water and Sanitation

• Energy

ring first week, all students will receive an introduction to all topics evant to the SUDU project and development work in general. This w achived through a series of lectures by Ethiopian and international

exports. In weeks 2 and 3, all involved partners will work on the full sc.
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tracks. The work will be exhibited at the end of the summer school in th
completed SUDID with invited guests from the government, city administration and cademia.

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June 28th - July 18th 2010 at FiARC Addis Ababa, Ethionia

#### Applicat

All parties of EIABC, AAIT, AAU, other academic institutions and the pr vate sector are invited to participate. Please contact the SUDU Team f any information and ideas.

We especially invite students to be part of the SUDU team and work wit students from the ETH in a very close relationship. Please apply in the A nagement Office of EiABC, Scientific Director Dirk Hebel and leave a on page ionformation sheet with your name, phone number, email and other

#### Costs

EIABC will cover all costs regarding the working materials necessary during the program. Participants must cover personal expenses and meduring the program.

#### Project Team FiARC

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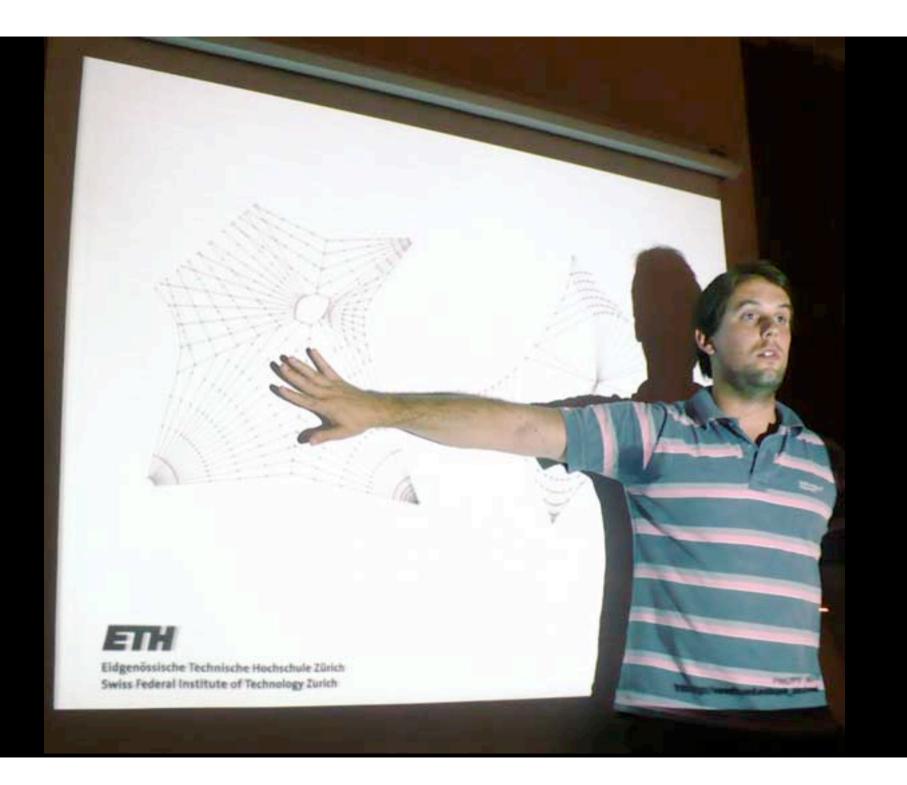
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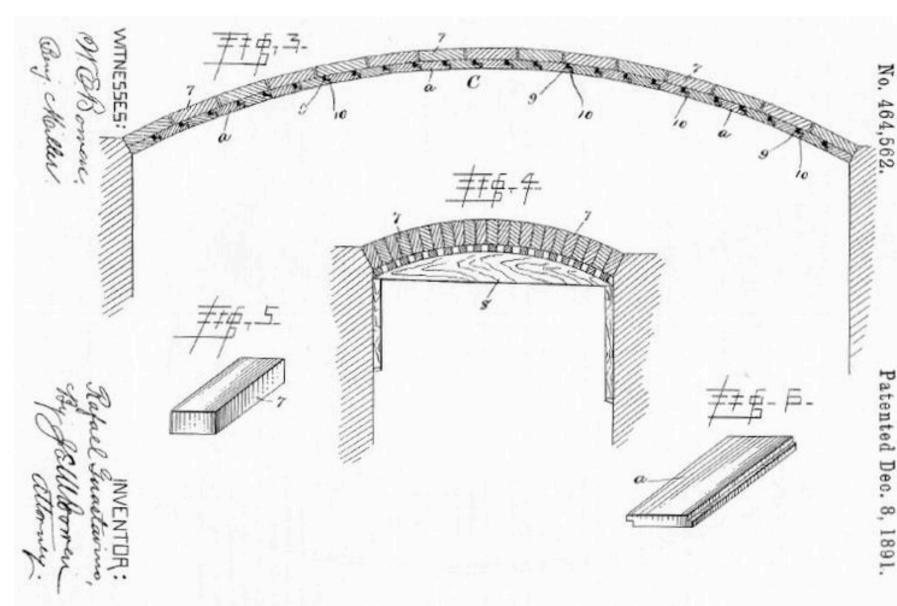








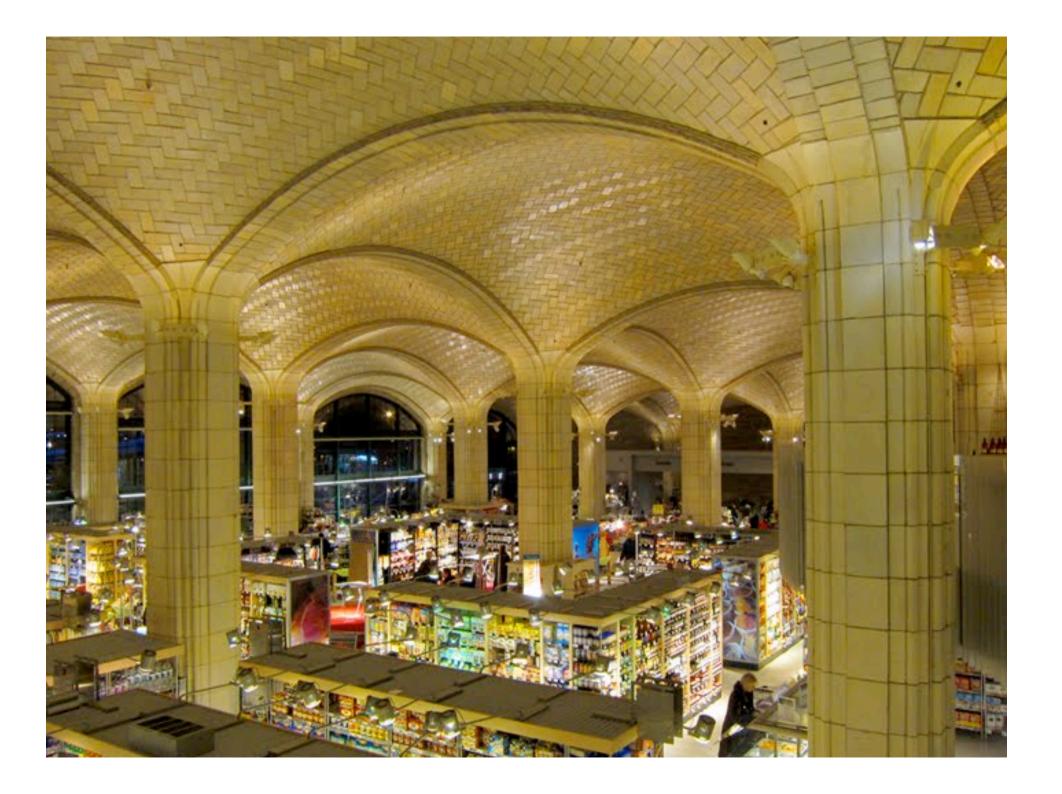
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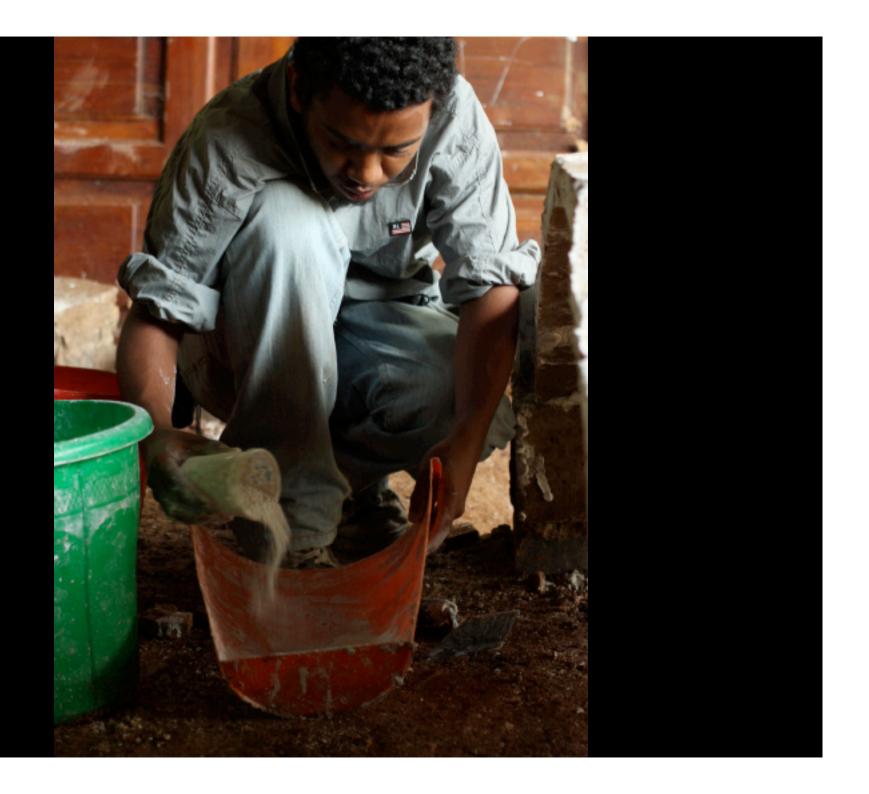




















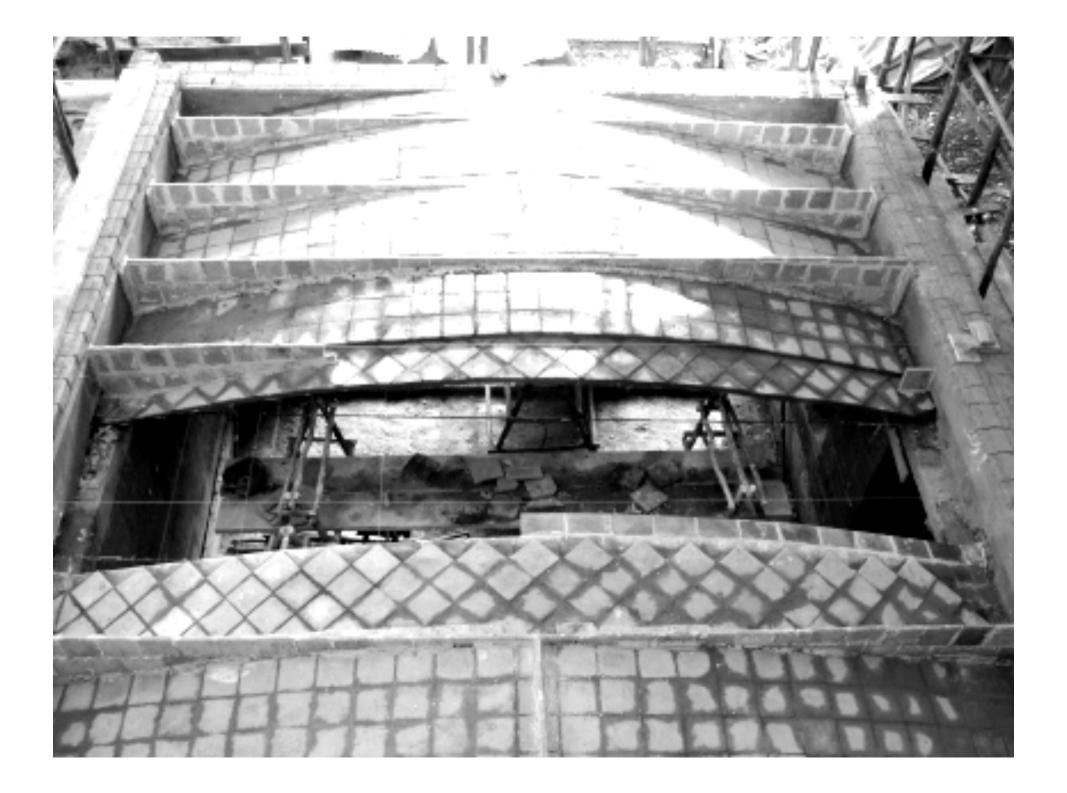














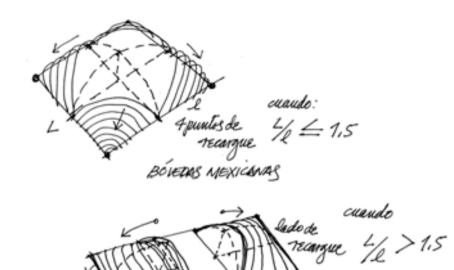


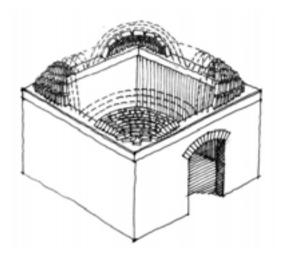




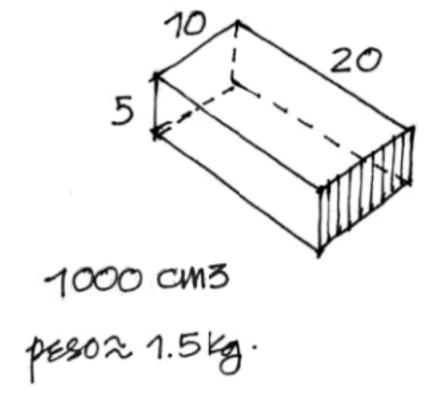


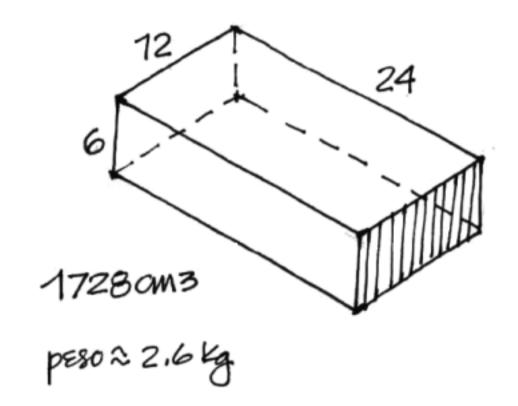












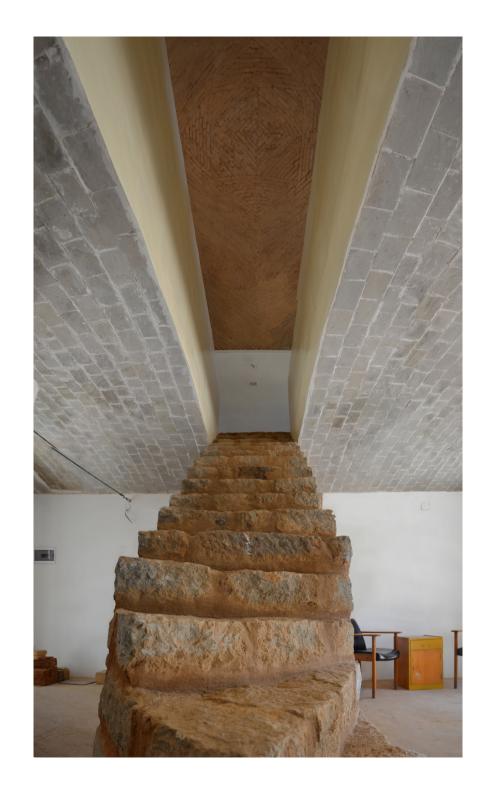










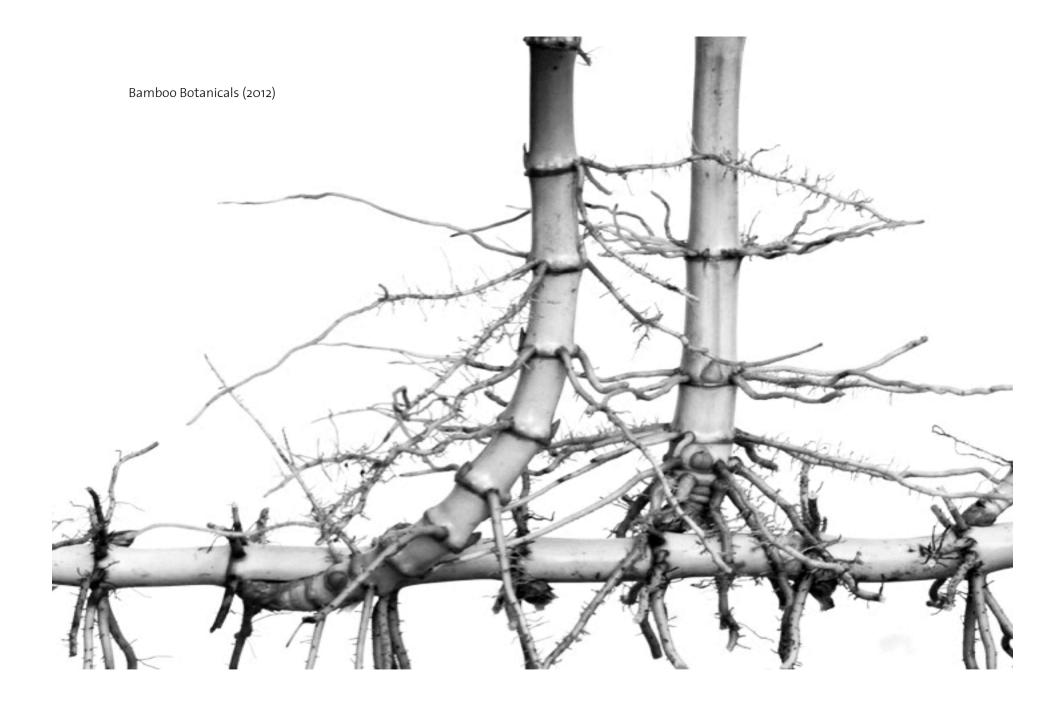


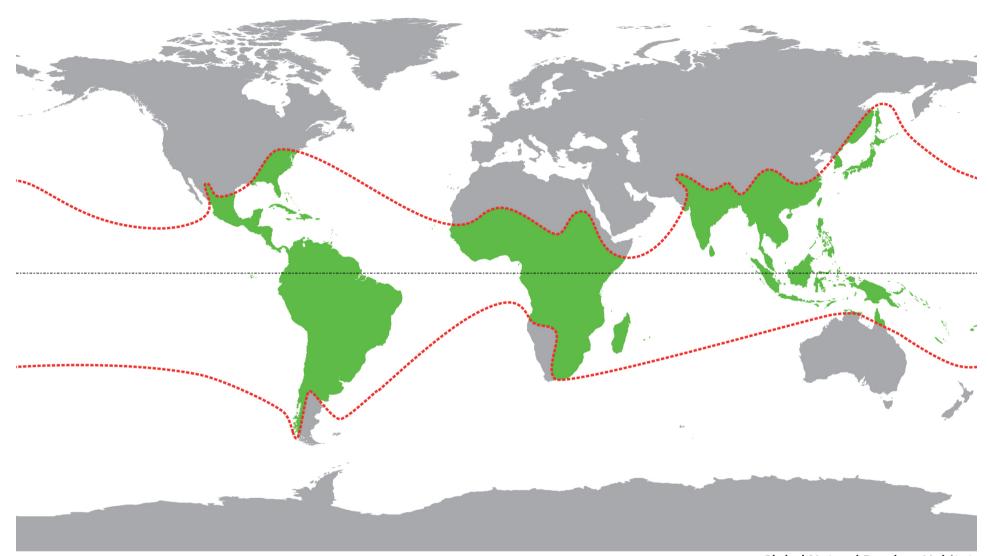


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Global Natural Bamboo Habitat

National Geographic (1980)

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# Booming bamboo: The next supermaterial?

**Bv Mike Wooldridge** BBC News, Nicaragua



Bamboo is being hailed as a new super material, with uses ranging from textiles to construction. It also has the potential to absorb large amounts of carbon dioxide, the biggest greenhouse gas, and provide some of the world's poorest people with cash.

Bamboo's image is undergoing a transformation. Some now call it "the timber of the 21st Century".

Today you can buy a pair of bamboo socks or use it as a fully load-bearing structural beam in your house - and it is said that there are some 1,500 uses for it in between.

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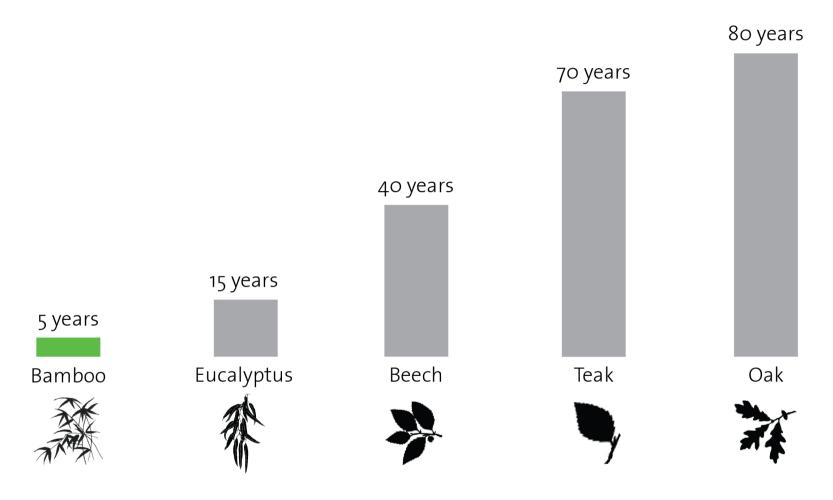
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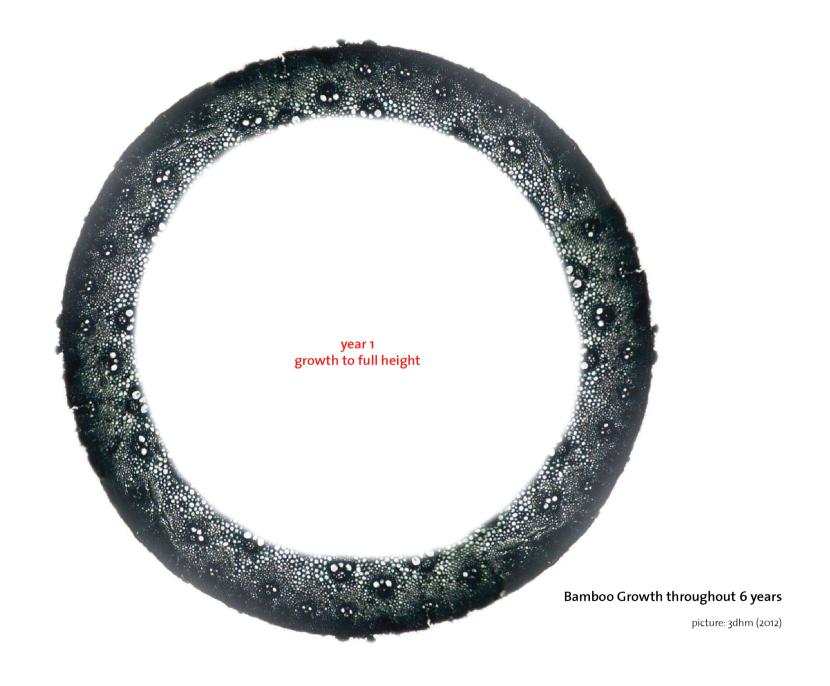
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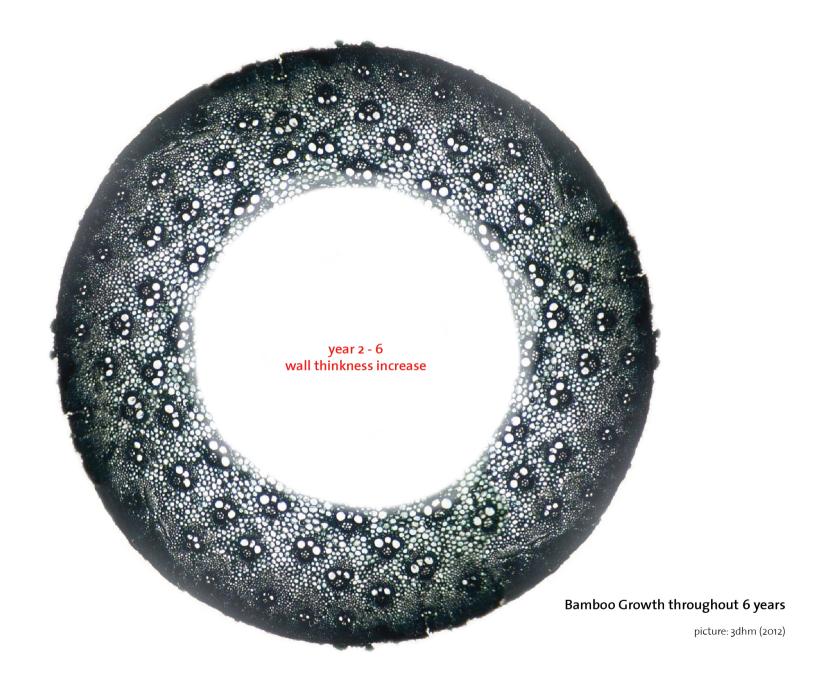
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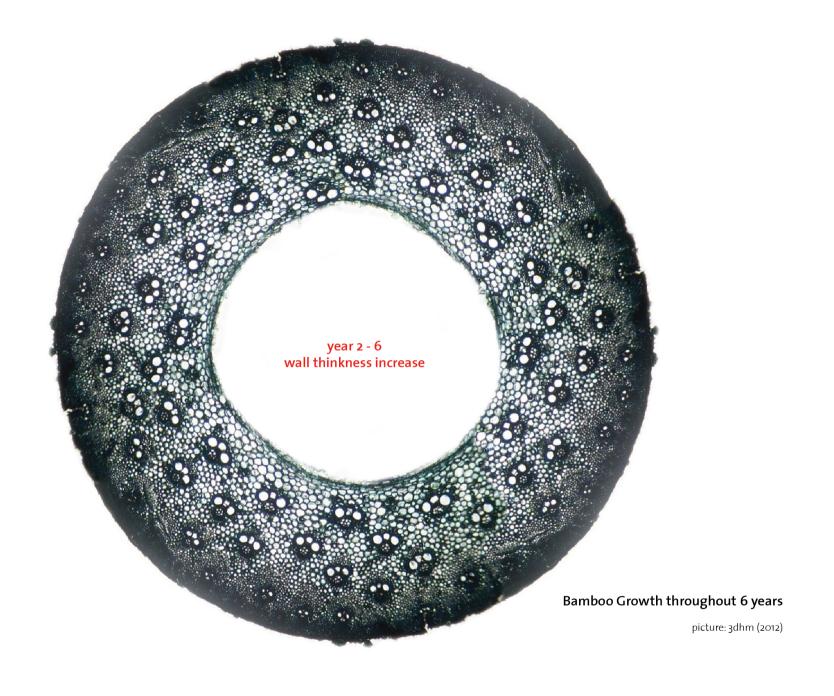


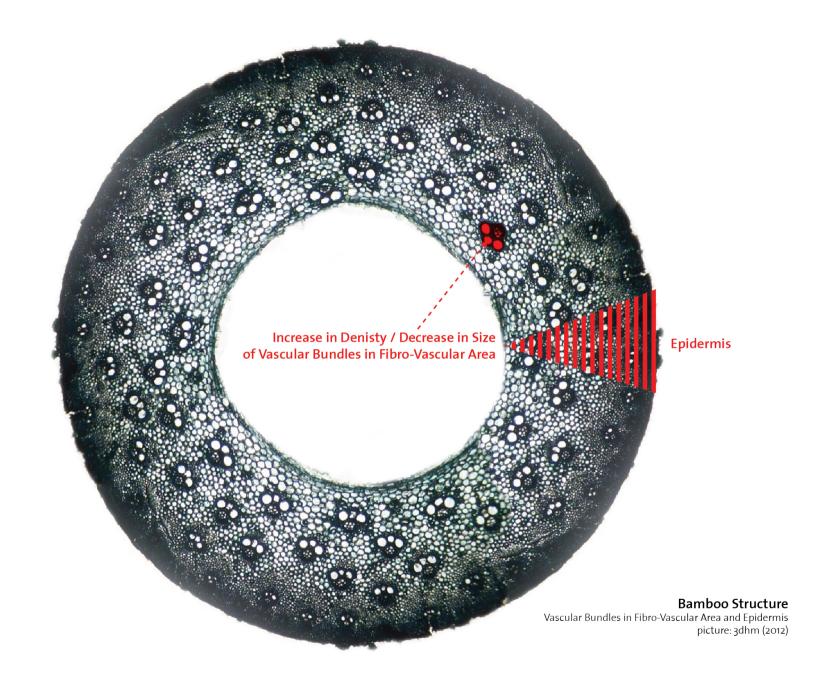
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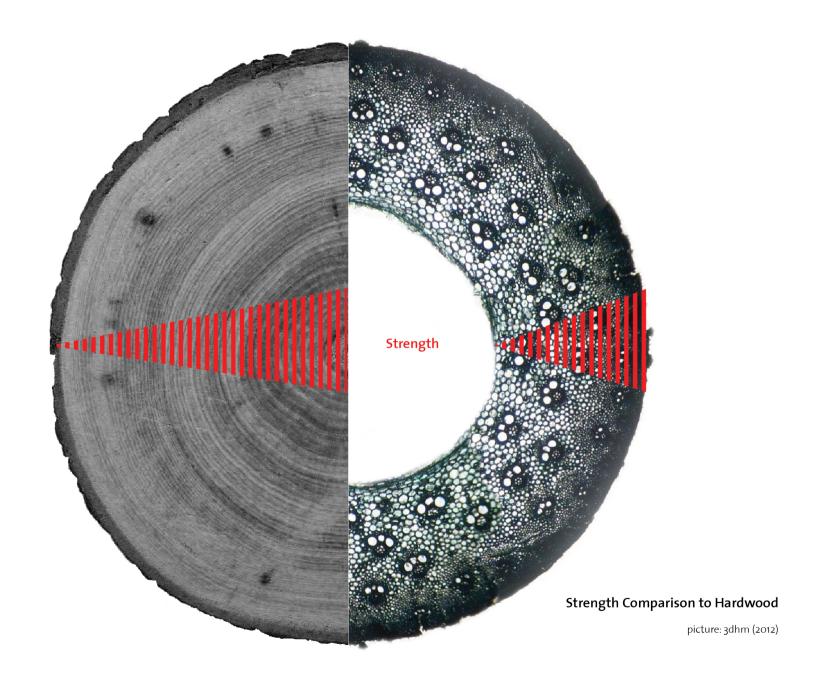


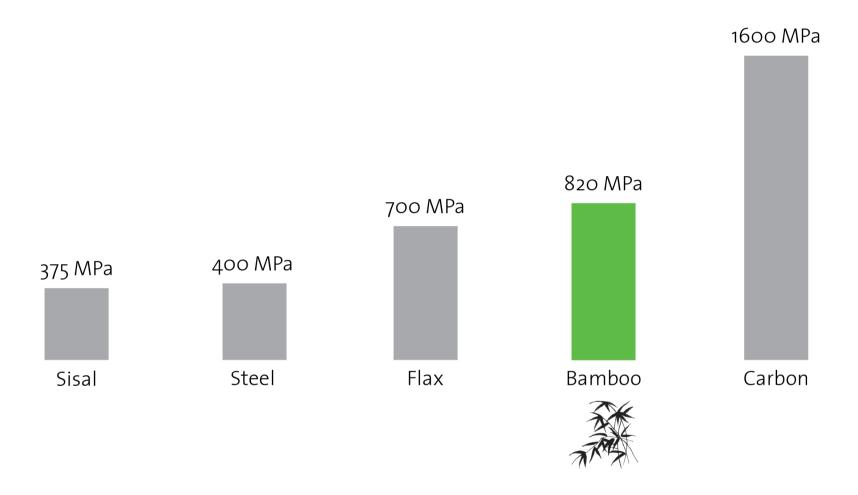








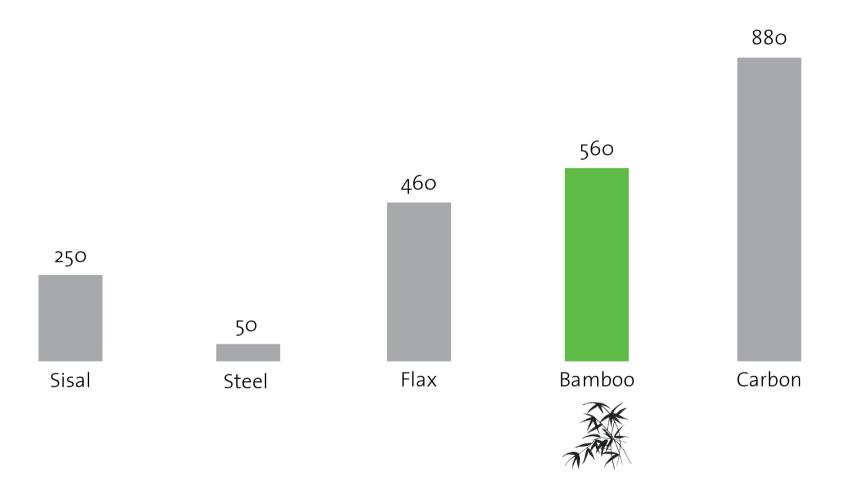




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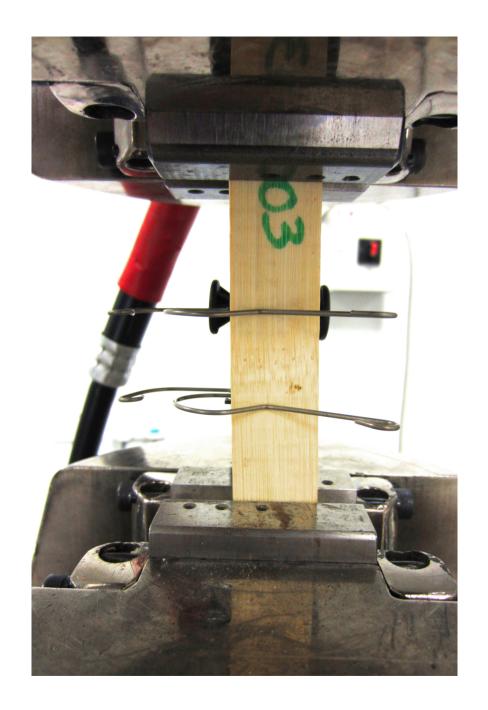
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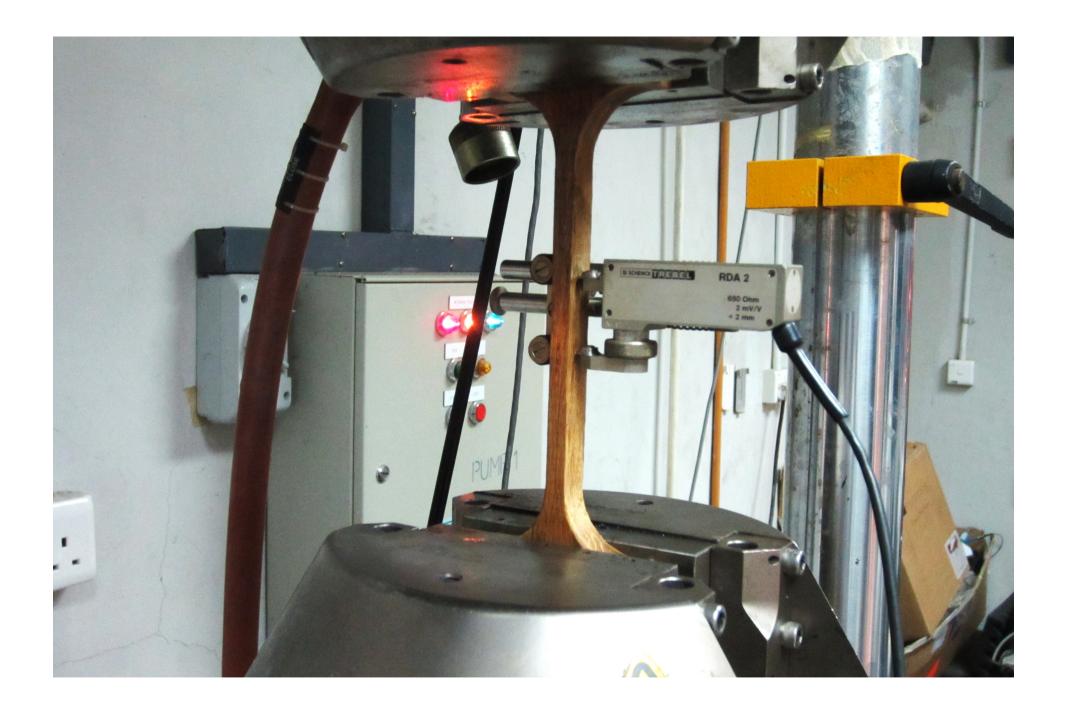


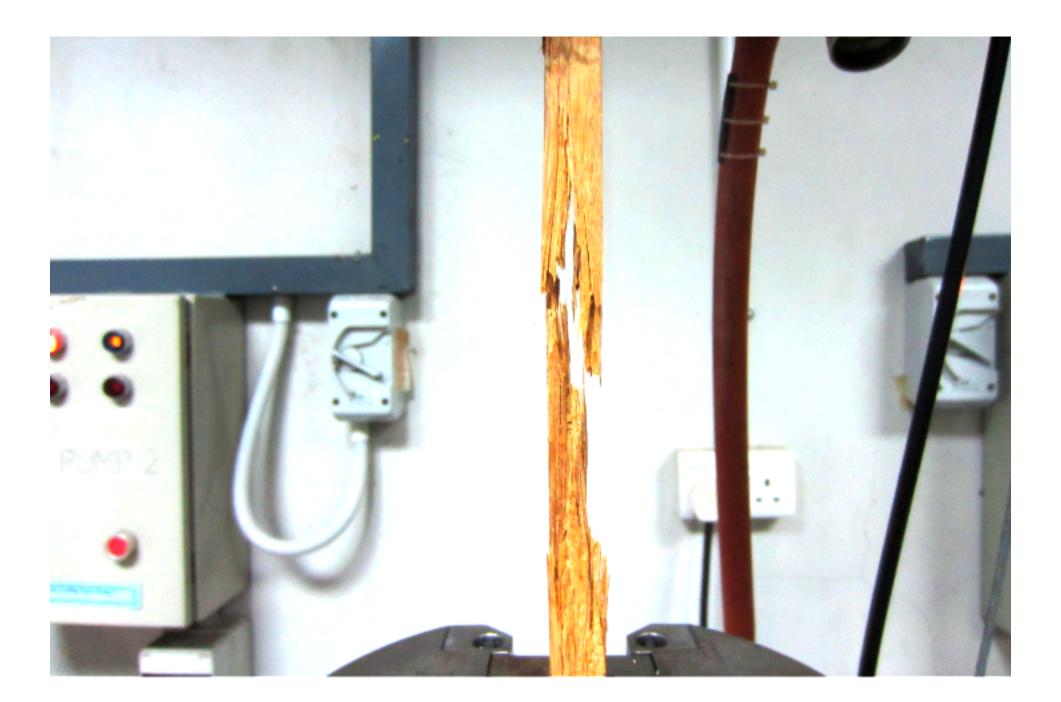


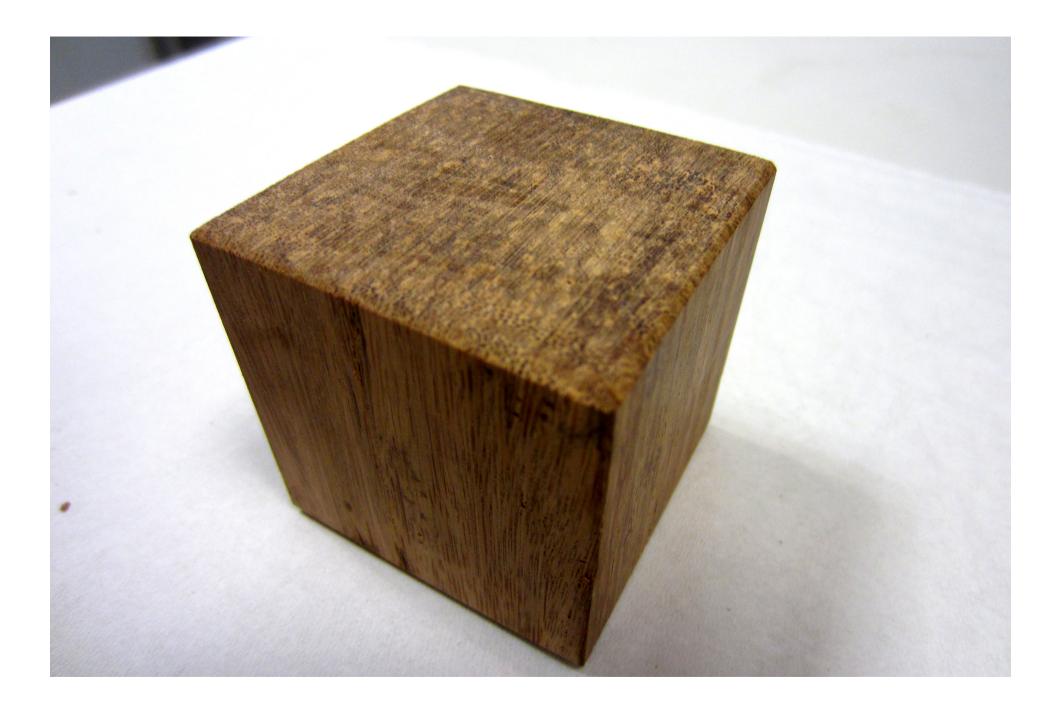


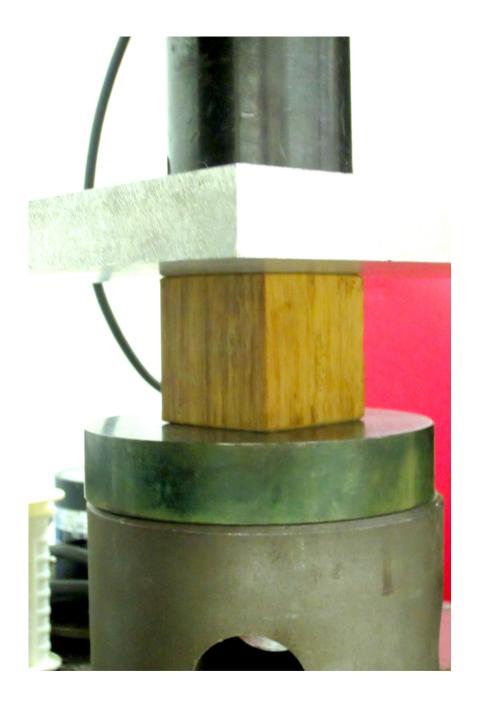


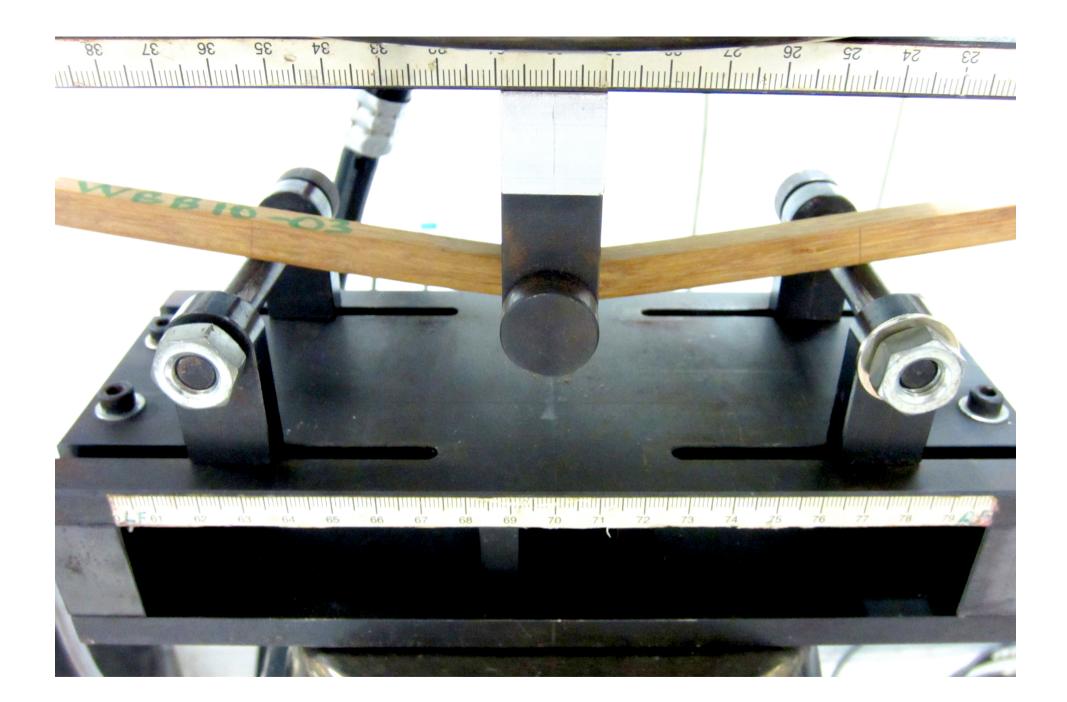


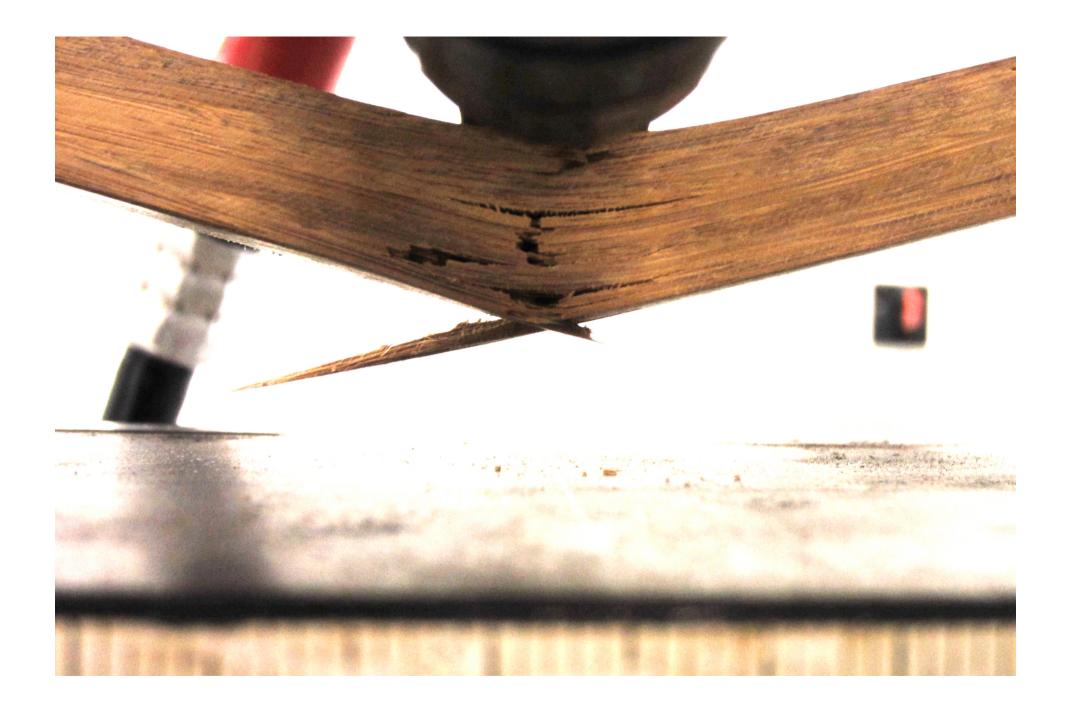
















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