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Segmented Turning by Andy Chen (SWAT-06)

Introduction: Only closed segmented vessels will be covered. Open segmented vessels are an entirely different animal.

Planning

Designing: Shape, decorative pattern

Material: Wood selection

Things needed: Saw, preferably table saw Miter gauges (or miter sled) Hose clamps Calculator (or preferably, computer) Caliper (preferably digital) True flat surface (granite slab) Veneer press Steady rest Donut chuck Titebond II Duct tape	Things nice to have: Band saw (re-saw) Drum (thickness) sander Slotted angle plate Jumble jaws on scroll chuck Live center adapter for scroll chuck Quick Grip clamps
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Construction

Cutting segments: miter gauges vs sleds

Sanding or no sanding

Gluing segmented rings: Use duct tape and hose clamps. Paired segments and half-rings

Stacking the rings: Truing up the faces and centering rings

Turning top and bottom halves: joining two halves

Finishing and turning the foot using a "donut chuck"

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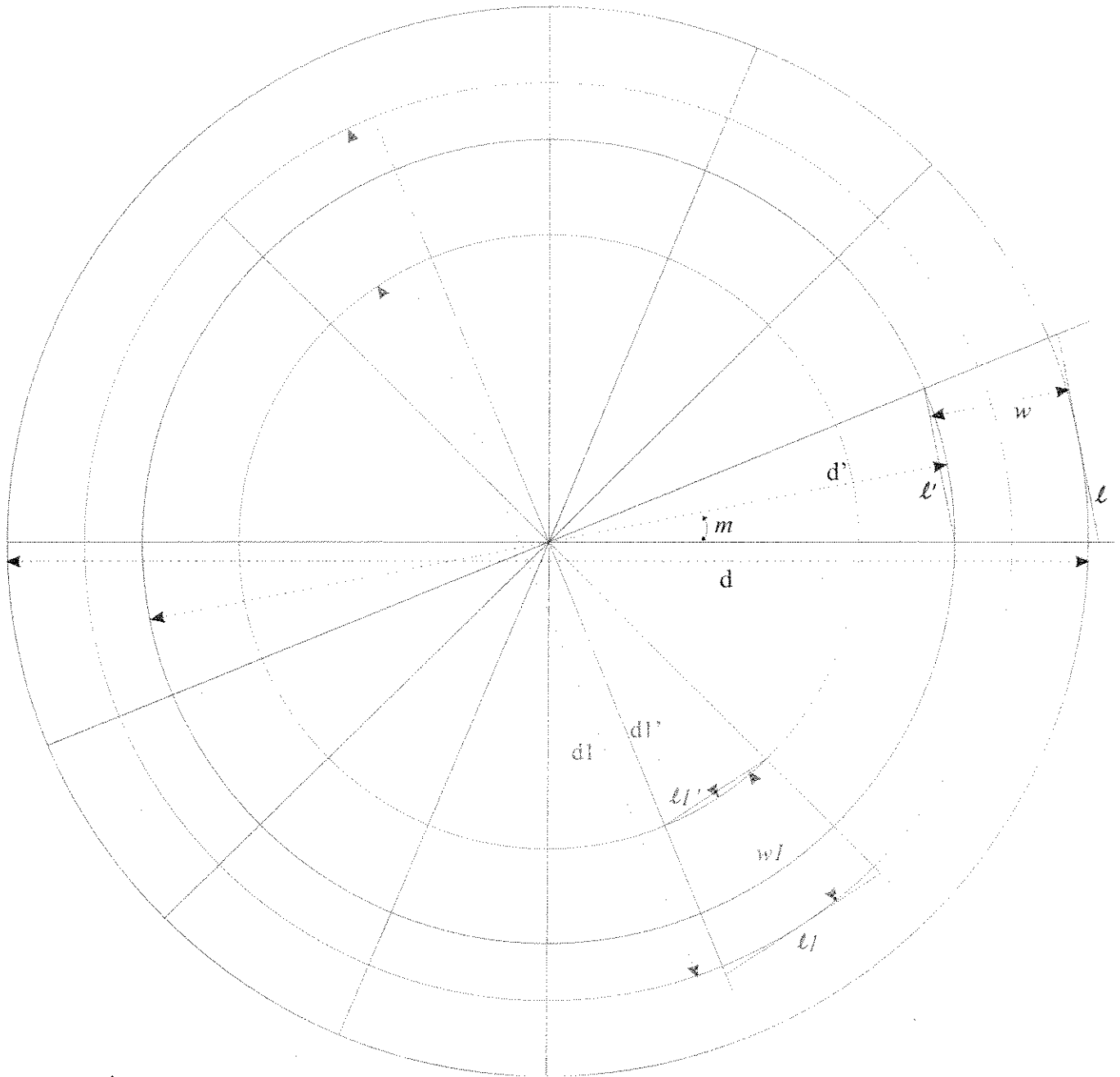
Helpful web sites:

<http://www.Turnedwood.com>: Kevin Neelley

<http://budlatven.com/home/index.htm>: Bud Latven

Segment calculation: Free Excel template available. E-mail Andy at andy_c_chen@yahoo.com

Calculation of segments (Andy Chen, SWAT-06)



n = Number of sides, m = miter angle, d = diameter of ring, d' = internal diameter of ring
 w = width of segments, l = length of segments, l' = short length of segments,

$$m = 360^\circ / 2n$$

$$w = 1/2(d - d' \times \cos m)$$

$$l = d \times \tan m$$

$$l' = d' \times \sin m$$

$$\text{Total board length} = (l + l') \times (n/2) + (0.125 / \cos m) \times n$$

Example: For a ring with 16 segments, 6" OD, 4" ID

$$m = 360^\circ / (2 \times 16) = 11.25^\circ$$

$$w = 1/2(6'' - 4'' \times \cos 11.25) = 1.038''$$

$$l = 6'' \times \tan 11.25 = 1.194''$$

$$l' = 4'' \times \sin 11.25 = 0.78''$$

$$\text{Board length} = (1.194 + 0.78) \times (16/2) + (0.125 / \cos 11.25) \times 16 = 17.75$$

Non-italicized are designated

Italicized are calculated

Segment layout and dimensions (Andy Chen, SWAT-06)

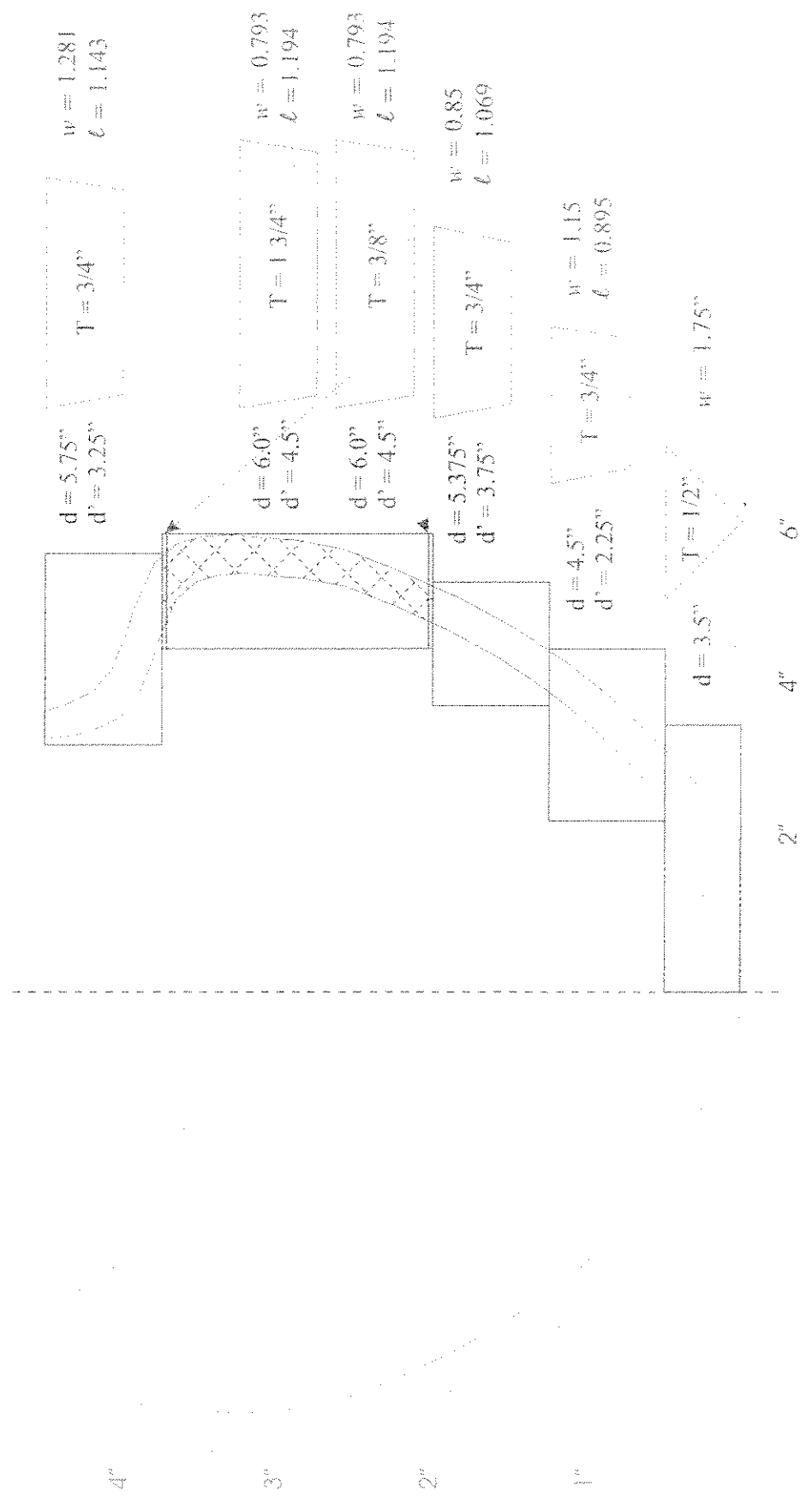
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4"

3"

2"

1"





Designing patterns (Andy Chen, SWAT-06)

