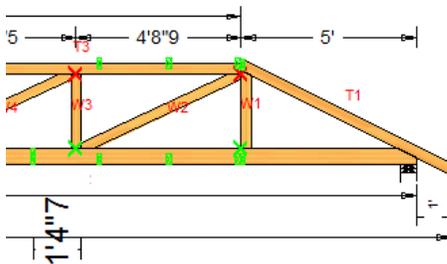


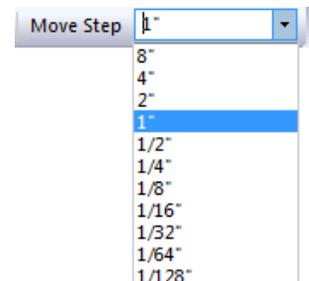
How to Effectively Set a Specific Move Step in Optimizer

The Optimize tool available in iDesign is used primarily to minimize the amount lumber waste resulting from cutting the web and chord members. It can also be used to quickly move a web joint a specific distance.

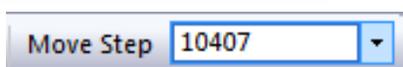


For this example, the vertical web W3 needs to move left $1' \frac{47}{16}"$ in order to line up with the concentrated load.

Located on the Optimize tool bar, the Move Step dropdown menu sets how far the joint will move each time an arrow key is pressed on the keyboard. The list contains preset values for the move step.

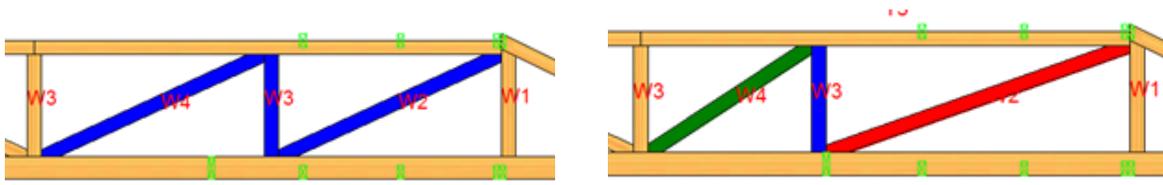


In addition to the preset values, you can enter any desired distance into the field.

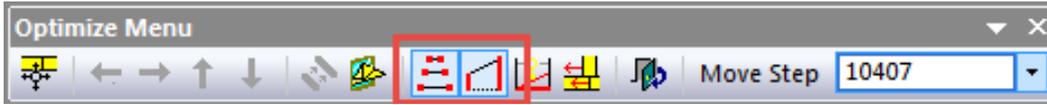


To enter a specific distance, highlight the preset value and then enter the desired dimension.

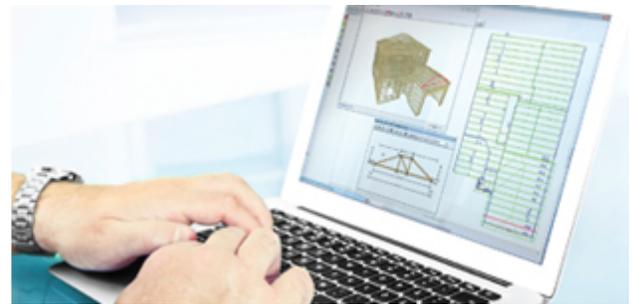
Select the joint to be moved and press the left or right arrow key to move the joint in the desired direction



Helpful Tip: Use the Symmetry and Maintain Vertical Web options to make adjusting your webs easier!



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