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#### **VITRAGES AUTO , FONCTIONS & FABRICATION**

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## From the early Xth century to today's huge market



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## From the early XXth century to today's huge market



Edouard BENEDICTUS (1878-1930)





Le sceptre d'Ottokar - Hergé Le Petit Vingtième (1938)



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Source: Freedonia. Word Flat Glass Market (2011).









- Some issues related to the laminated windshield
  - ghost image

#### PRIUS 2012 – Light Tripling, Bi-Focal, Ghosting, Shadowing effect





Fig. 4. Simplest case of ghost-image formation by curved glass. Rays irrevelant to the primary and secondary images are omitted.

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#### Control of optical distortion in transmission









Zone non balayée

Zone balayée

P. Lehuédé, 1998



#### SAFETY

Tempered glass vs. Laminated glass







#### CAR DESIGN, INTEGRATION TO CAR BODY, SYSTEMS





#### **COMFORT**

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Source : O. Cintora, Saint-Gobain Recherche



#### **COMFORT**



Source : Memento Saint-Gobain Glass



#### **ADVANCED FUNCTIONS**

- Car as a connected object: Antenna integrated on glazing
- Assistance to driving: Head-up display





- Signage & Inside lighting (OLED on glass)
- Photovoltaics



#### **RECYCLING AND SUSTAINABILITY ISSUES**

### End of Live Vehicles

Lead









#### **CUTTING - EDGE MACHINING**



#### CBG Line Pre-Processing Line



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#### **SCREEN PRINTING**











#### HEATING



Banner, D., & Klarsfeld, S. (1990). Influence of the composition upon the apparent conductivity and emissivity of glass as a function of thickness and temperature. Thermal Conductivity 21 (pp. 539-551). Plenum Press.



#### **GLASS TEMPERING**





#### **HOT GLASS CONVEYING / HANDLING**

- Glass tempering: conveying hot glass at 650-670°C on rollers, keeping the flatness (up to some limit!)









#### **TEMPERING OF COMPLEX SHAPES (BACK LITES)**



BHT Tempering furnaces



#### **TEMPERING**

#### **'STRAIN PATTERN'**





#### **GRAVITY BENDING FOR WINDSHIELDS**





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#### **POLYVINYL BUTYRAL**





#### **DE AIRING**





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#### **AFTER DEAIRING**





#### LAMINATION





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#### **FINAL OPERATIONS**





#### **OTHER TRANSPORT APPLICATIONS**





#### CONCLUSION

Glass has proven a remarkable ability to accompany the formidable development of the car industry.

It has met ever tougher technological demands

from the car manufacturers in terms of volumes, quality & cost efficiency, from the final customers, in terms of design and functionalities.

#### **Challenges ahead**:

Curbing CO2 emission Trend toward electric vehicles Keep meeting safety, comfort and cost requirements Integrate even more new functionalities Associations with other materials Recycling & Sustainability



lightweighting.

### Thank you for your attention

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3RLZcK-63Tc

