

EML 4230 Introduction to Composite Materials

Chapter 4 Macromechanical Analysis of a Laminate **Laminate Modulus**

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In-Plane and Flexural Modulus of a Laminate

$$\begin{bmatrix} N_x \\ N_y \\ N_{xy} \\ M_x \\ M_y \\ M_{xy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{16} & B_{11} & B_{12} & B_{16} \\ A_{12} & A_{22} & A_{26} & B_{12} & B_{22} & B_{26} \\ A_{16} & A_{26} & A_{66} & B_{16} & B_{26} & B_{66} \\ B_{11} & B_{12} & B_{16} & D_{11} & D_{12} & D_{16} \\ B_{12} & B_{22} & B_{26} & D_{12} & D_{22} & D_{26} \\ B_{16} & B_{26} & B_{66} & D_{16} & D_{26} & D_{66} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_x^0 \\ \varepsilon_y^0 \\ \gamma_{xy}^0 \\ \kappa_x \\ \kappa_y \\ \kappa_{xy} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[N] = \begin{bmatrix} N_x \\ N_y \\ N_{xy} \end{bmatrix} \quad [\varepsilon^0] = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_x^0 \\ \varepsilon_y^0 \\ \gamma_{xy}^0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \underline{N} \\ \underline{M} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{A} & \underline{B} \\ \underline{B} & \underline{D} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\varepsilon}^0 \\ \underline{\kappa} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[M] = \begin{bmatrix} M_x \\ M_y \\ M_{xy} \end{bmatrix} \quad [\kappa] = \begin{bmatrix} \kappa_x \\ \kappa_y \\ \kappa_{xy} \end{bmatrix}$$

In-Plane and Flexural Modulus of a Laminate

$$\begin{bmatrix} \underline{\varepsilon}^0 \\ \underline{\kappa} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{A}^* & \underline{B}^* \\ \underline{C}^* & \underline{D}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{N} \\ \underline{M} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \underline{A}^* & \underline{B}^* \\ \underline{C}^* & \underline{D}^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{A} & \underline{B} \\ \underline{B} & \underline{D} \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$[\underline{C}^*] = [\underline{B}^*]^T$$

The $[\underline{A}^*]$, $[\underline{B}^*]$, and $[\underline{D}^*]$ matrices are called the extensional compliance matrix, coupling compliance matrix, and bending compliance matrix respectively.

In-Plane Engineering Constants of a Laminate

For a symmetric laminate:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} [B] &= 0, \\ [A^*] &= [A]^{-1}, \\ [D^*] &= [D]^{-1} \end{aligned} \right| \begin{aligned} A_{ij} &= \sum_{k=1}^n [(\bar{Q}_{ij})]_k (h_k - h_{k-1}), \quad i = 1, 2, 6; j = 1, 2, 6 \\ B_{ij} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n [(\bar{Q}_{ij})]_k (h_k^2 - h_{k-1}^2), \quad i = 1, 2, 6; j = 1, 2, 6 \\ D_{ij} &= \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=1}^n [(\bar{Q}_{ij})]_k (h_k^3 - h_{k-1}^3) \quad i = 1, 2, 6; j = 1, 2, 6 \end{aligned}$$

In-Plane Engineering Constants of a Laminate

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon^0 \\ \kappa \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{A}^* & \underline{B}^* \\ \underline{C}^* & \underline{D}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{N} \\ \underline{M} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_x^0 \\ \varepsilon_y^0 \\ \gamma_{xy}^0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}^* & A_{12}^* & A_{16}^* \\ A_{12}^* & A_{22}^* & A_{26}^* \\ A_{16}^* & A_{26}^* & A_{66}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} N_x \\ N_y \\ N_{xy} \end{bmatrix}$$

In-Plane Engineering Constants of a Laminate

Effective in – plane longitudinal modulus E_x

$$N_x \neq 0, N_y = 0, N_{xy} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_x^0 \\ \varepsilon_y^0 \\ \gamma_{xy}^0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}^* & A_{12}^* & A_{16}^* \\ A_{12}^* & A_{22}^* & A_{26}^* \\ A_{16}^* & A_{26}^* & A_{66}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} N_x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\varepsilon_x^0 = A_{11}^* N_x$$

$$E_x \equiv \frac{\sigma_x}{\varepsilon_x^0} = \frac{N_x / h}{A_{11}^* N_x} = \frac{1}{h A_{11}^*}$$

In-Plane Engineering Constants of a Laminate

Effective in – plane transverse modulus E_y

$$N_x = 0, N_y \neq 0, N_{xy} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_x^0 \\ \varepsilon_y^0 \\ \gamma_{xy}^0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}^* & A_{12}^* & A_{16}^* \\ A_{12}^* & A_{22}^* & A_{26}^* \\ A_{16}^* & A_{26}^* & A_{66}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ N_y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\varepsilon_y^0 = A_{22}^* N_y$$

$$E_y \equiv \frac{\sigma_y}{\varepsilon_y^0} = \frac{N_y / h}{A_{22}^* N_y} = \frac{1}{h A_{22}^*}$$

In-Plane Engineering Constants of a Laminate

Effective in – plane shear modulus G_{xy}

$$N_x = 0, N_y = 0, N_{xy} \neq 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_x^0 \\ \varepsilon_y^0 \\ \gamma_{xy}^0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}^* & A_{12}^* & A_{16}^* \\ A_{12}^* & A_{22}^* & A_{26}^* \\ A_{16}^* & A_{26}^* & A_{66}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ N_{xy} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\gamma_{xy}^0 = A_{66}^* N_{xy}$$

$$G_{xy} \equiv \frac{\tau_{xy}}{\gamma_{xy}^0} = \frac{N_{xy} / h}{A_{66}^* N_{xy}} = \frac{1}{h A_{66}^*}$$

In-Plane Engineering Constants of a Laminate

Effective in – plane Poisson's ratio ν_{xy}

$$N_x \neq 0, N_y = 0, N_{xy} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_x^0 \\ \varepsilon_y^0 \\ \gamma_{xy}^0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}^* & A_{12}^* & A_{16}^* \\ A_{12}^* & A_{22}^* & A_{26}^* \\ A_{16}^* & A_{26}^* & A_{66}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} N_x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\varepsilon_y^0 = A_{12}^* N_x$$

$$\varepsilon_x^0 = A_{11}^* N_x$$

$$\nu_{xy} \equiv -\frac{\varepsilon_y^0}{\varepsilon_x^0} = -\frac{A_{12}^* N_x}{A_{11}^* N_x} = -\frac{A_{12}^*}{A_{11}^*}$$

In-Plane Engineering Constants of a Laminate

Effective in – plane Poisson's ratio ν_{yx}

$$N_x = 0, N_y \neq 0, N_{xy} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_x^0 \\ \varepsilon_y^0 \\ \gamma_{xy}^0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}^* & A_{12}^* & A_{16}^* \\ A_{12}^* & A_{22}^* & A_{26}^* \\ A_{16}^* & A_{26}^* & A_{66}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ N_y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\varepsilon_x^0 = A_{12}^* N_y$$

$$\varepsilon_y^0 = A_{22}^* N_y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_{yx} &\equiv -\frac{\varepsilon_x^0}{\varepsilon_y^0} \\ &= -\frac{A_{12}^* N_y}{A_{22}^* N_y} \\ &= -\frac{A_{12}^*}{A_{22}^*} \end{aligned}$$

In-Plane Engineering Constants of a Laminate

$$\frac{\nu_{xy}}{E_x} = \left(-\frac{A_{12}^*}{A_{11}^*} \right) h A_{11}^*$$
$$= -A_{12}^* h$$

$$\frac{\nu_{yx}}{E_y} = \left(-\frac{A_{12}^*}{A_{22}^*} \right) h A_{22}^*$$
$$= -A_{12}^* h$$

$$\frac{\nu_{xy}}{E_x} = \frac{\nu_{yx}}{E_y}$$

Flexural Engineering Constants of a Laminate

For a symmetric laminate :

$$[B] = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \underline{\varepsilon}^0 \\ \underline{\kappa} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{A}^* & \underline{B}^* \\ \underline{C}^* & \underline{D}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{N} \\ \underline{M} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[C^*] = [B^*]^T$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \kappa_x \\ \kappa_y \\ \kappa_{xy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} D_{11}^* & D_{12}^* & D_{16}^* \\ D_{12}^* & D_{22}^* & D_{26}^* \\ D_{16}^* & D_{26}^* & D_{66}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} M_x \\ M_y \\ M_{xy} \end{bmatrix}$$

Flexural Engineering Constants of a Laminate

Effective flexural longitudinal modulus E_x^f

$$M_x \neq 0, M_y = 0, M_{xy} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \kappa_x \\ \kappa_y \\ \kappa_{xy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} D_{11}^* & D_{12}^* & D_{16}^* \\ D_{12}^* & D_{22}^* & D_{26}^* \\ D_{16}^* & D_{26}^* & D_{66}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} M_x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\kappa_x = D_{11}^* M_x$$

$$E_x^f \equiv \frac{12 M_x}{\kappa_x h^3} = \frac{12}{h^3 D_{11}^*}$$

Flexural Engineering Constants of a Laminate

Other flexural elastic moduli :

$$E_y^f = \frac{12}{h^3 D_{22}^*}$$

$$G_{xy}^f = \frac{12}{h^3 D_{66}^*}$$

$$\nu_{xy}^f = -\frac{D_{12}^*}{D_{11}^*}$$

$$\nu_{yx}^f = -\frac{D_{12}^*}{D_{22}^*}$$

$$\frac{\nu_{xy}^f}{E_x^f} = \frac{\nu_{yx}^f}{E_y^f}$$

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