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## **alpha\_micro**

Computes coefficients of thermal expansions in local directions

### **Inputs**

**Ef** - Fiber elastic modulus  
**Em** - Matrix elastic modulus  
**nuf** - Fiber Poisson's ratio  
**numm** - Matrix Poisson's ratio  
**Vf** - Fiber volume fraction  
**alphaf** - Fiber coefficient of thermal expansion  
**alpham** - Matrix coefficient of thermal expansion

### **Outputs**

**alpha12** - [alphal alpha2 alpha12]  
    **alphal** - Local coefficient of thermal expansion in x-direction  
    **alpha2** - Local coefficient of thermal expansion in y-direction  
    **alpha12** - Local in-plane coefficient of thermal expansion in x-y plane

### **Calling the Function**

```
[alpha12]=alpha_micro(Ef,Em,nuf,numm,alphaf,alpham,Vf)
```

### **Testing File**

Click [here](#) to see a testing file for using the function alpha\_micro

### **Example**

Inputs:

```
Fiber Elastic Modulus: 8.5e+10
Matrix Elastic Modulus: 3.4e+09
Fiber Poisson's Ratio: 0.2
Matrix Poisson's Ratio: 0.3
Fiber Coefficient of Thermal Expansion: 5e-06
Matrix Coefficient of Thermal Expansion: 6.3e-05
Fiber Volume Fraction: 0.6
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Outputs:

Lamina Coefficient of Thermal Expansion

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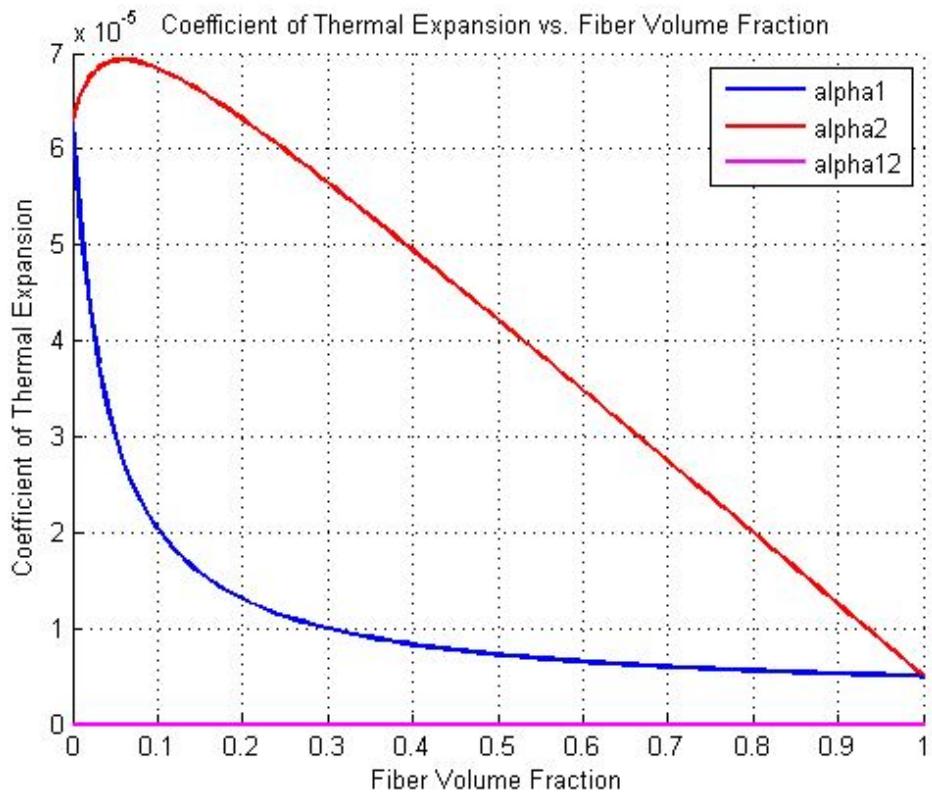
alpha1	6.50649E-06
alpha2	3.47984E-05
alpha12	0

Table:

Lamina Coefficient of Thermal Expansion

Vf	alpha1	alpha2	alpha12
0.00	6.300000E-05	6.300000E-05	0
0.10	2.035294E-05	6.840765E-05	0
0.20	1.300000E-05	6.308000E-05	0
0.30	9.951220E-06	5.644317E-05	0
0.40	8.283019E-06	4.938642E-05	0
0.50	7.230769E-06	4.214231E-05	0
0.60	6.506494E-06	3.479844E-05	0
0.70	5.977528E-06	2.739517E-05	0
0.80	5.574257E-06	1.995366E-05	0
0.90	5.256637E-06	1.248611E-05	0
1.00	5.000000E-06	5.000000E-06	0

Graph:



#### Description

Outputs local coefficients of thermal expansion in matrix form:  
[alpha1,alpha2,alpha12]