# Fracture Mechanics, Damage and Fatigue: Composites

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# Composite

- Fibers in a matrix
  - Fibers: polymers, metals or ceramics
  - Matrix: polymers, metals or ceramics
  - Fibers orientation: unidirectional, woven, random
- Carbon Fiber Reinforced Plastic
  - Carbon woven fibers in epoxy resin
    - Picture: carbon fibers
  - Theoretical tensile strength: 1400 MPa
  - Density: 1800 kg·m<sup>-3</sup>
  - A laminate is a stack of CFRP plies
    - Picture: skin with stringers









# • Composite (2)

- Drawbacks
  - "Brittle" rupture mode
  - Impact damage
  - Resin can absorb moisture
- Complex failure modes
  - Transverse matrix fracture
  - Longitudinal matrix fracture
  - Fiber rupture
  - Fiber debonding
  - Delamination
  - Macroscopically: no plastic deformation









Fracture Mechanics – Composites

- Composite (3)
  - Wing, fuselage, ...
  - Typhoon: CFRP
    - 70% of the skin
    - 40% of total weight
  - B787:
    - Fuselage all in CFRP



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- Approaches in analyzing composite materials
  - Micromechanics
    - Composite is considered as an heterogeneous material
    - Material properties change from one point to the other
      - Resin
      - Fiber
      - Ply
    - Method used to study composite properties
  - Macromechanics
    - Composite is seen as an homogenized material
    - Material properties are constant in each direction
      - They change from one direction to the other
    - Method used in preliminary design
  - Multiscale
    - Combining both approaches







- Ply (lamina) mechanics:  $E_x$ 
  - Symmetrical piece of lamina
    - Matrix-Fiber-Matrix
  - Constraint (small) longitudinal displacement  $\Delta L$ 
    - Small strain  $\varepsilon_{xx} = \frac{\Delta L}{L}$
    - Microscopic stresses
      - Fiber  $\sigma_{xxf} = E_f \varepsilon_{xx}$

- Matrix 
$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xxm} = E_m \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}$$

- Resultant stress  $\sigma_{xx} = E_x \varepsilon_{xx}$
- Compatibility  $\sigma_{xx}l_t = \sigma_{xxf}l_f + \sigma_{xxm}l_m$

$$\Longrightarrow E_x \varepsilon_{xx} l_t = E_f \varepsilon_{xx} l_f + E_m \varepsilon_{xx} l_m$$
$$\Longrightarrow E_x = \frac{l_f}{l_t} E_f + E_m \frac{l_m}{l_t} = v_f E_f + v_m E_m$$

- The mixture law gives the longitudinal Young modulus of a unidirectional fiber lamina from the matrix and fiber volume ratio
  - As  $E_f >> E_m$ , in general  $E_x \sim v_f E_f$





- Ply (lamina) mechanics:  $v_{xy}$ 
  - Constraint (small) longitudinal displacement  $\Delta L$ 
    - Transverse displacement  $\Delta l_t = \Delta l_f + \Delta l_m$
    - Microscopic strains

- Fiber 
$$\Delta l_f = -\nu_f \varepsilon_{xxf} l_f = -\nu_f l_f \varepsilon_{xx}$$

- Matrix  $\Delta l_m = -\nu_m \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xxm} l_m = -\nu_m l_m \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}$
- Resultant strain  $\Delta l_t = -\nu_{xy} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx} l_t$

• Compatibility 
$$-\nu_{xy} \varepsilon_{xx} l_t = \Delta l_t = \Delta l_f + \Delta l_m = -\nu_f \varepsilon_{xx} l_f - \nu_m \varepsilon_{xx} l_m$$
  
 $\implies \nu_{xy} = \nu_f \frac{l_f}{l_t} + \nu_m \frac{l_m}{l_t} = \nu_f v_f + \nu_m v_m$ 

• This coefficient  $v_{xy}$  is called major Poisson's ratio of the lamina







- Ply (lamina) mechanics:  $E_v$ 
  - Constraint (small) transversal displacement  $\Delta l$ 
    - Total displacement  $\Delta l = \Delta l_m + \Delta l_f$
    - Microscopic small strains

- Fiber 
$$arepsilon_{yy_f} = rac{\Delta l_f}{l_f}$$
  
- Matrix  $arepsilon_{yy_m} = rac{\Delta l_m}{l_m}$ 

Small resultant strain

$$-\varepsilon_{yy} = \frac{\Delta l}{l_t} = \frac{\Delta l_m}{l_t} + \frac{\Delta l_f}{l_t} \implies \varepsilon_{yy} = \varepsilon_{yy_f} \frac{l_f}{l_t} + \varepsilon_{yy_m} \frac{l_m}{l_t}$$

• Resultant stresses = microscopic stresses

$$- \sigma_{yy} = E_y \varepsilon_{yy} = E_f \varepsilon_{yy_f} = E_m \varepsilon_{yy_m}$$

$$- \text{ Relation } \varepsilon_{yy} = \varepsilon_{yy_f} \frac{l_f}{l_t} + \varepsilon_{yy_m} \frac{l_m}{l_t}$$

$$\implies \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{E_y} = \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{E_f} \frac{l_f}{l_t} + \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{E_m} \frac{l_m}{l_t} \implies \frac{1}{E_y} = \frac{v_f}{E_f} + \frac{v_m}{E_m}$$

• As  $E_f >> E_m$ , in general  $E_y \sim E_m / v_m$ 







Ply (lamina) mechanics:  $v_{yx}$ Constraint (small) transversal displacement  $\Delta l$  (2) Longitudinal strains are equal by compatibility - Resultant  $\varepsilon_{xx} = \frac{\Delta L}{L} = -\nu_{yx}\varepsilon_{yy}$ - Fiber  $\varepsilon_{xxf} = -\nu_f \varepsilon_{yyf} = \varepsilon_{xx}$ - Matrix  $\varepsilon_{xxm} = -\nu_m \varepsilon_{yym} = \varepsilon_{xx}$  But from previous analysis/  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy}{}_{f}\boldsymbol{v}_{f} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy}{}_{n}\boldsymbol{v}_{m}$  $\Longrightarrow \nu_{yx} \left( \varepsilon_{yy_f} v_f + \varepsilon_{yy_m} v_m \right) = \nu_f \varepsilon_{yy_f} = \nu_m \varepsilon_{yy_m}$  $\nu_{yx} \varepsilon_{yyf} \left( v_f + \frac{v_m \nu_f}{\nu_m} \right) = \nu_f \varepsilon_{yyf}$   $\nu_{yx} = \frac{\nu_f \nu_m}{v_f \nu_m + v_m \nu_f}$ But this is wrong as there are microscopic • stresses to constrain the compatibility, so

relation 
$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xxf} = -\nu_f \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yyf} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}$$
 is wrong





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- Ply (lamina) mechanics:  $v_{yx}$  (2)
  - Constraint (small) transversal displacement  $\Delta l$  (3)
    - Resultant longitudinal strain

$$-\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx} = \frac{\Delta L}{L} = -\nu_{yx}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy} = -\nu_{yx}\frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy}}{E_y}$$

Microscopic strains & compatibility

- Fiber

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xxf} = \frac{1}{E_f} \left( \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xxf} - \nu_f \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yyf} \right) = \frac{1}{E_f} \left( \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xxf} - \nu_f \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy} \right)$$

- Matrix

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xxm} = \frac{1}{E_m} \left( \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xxm} - \nu_m \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yym} \right) = \frac{1}{E_m} \left( \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xxm} - \nu_m \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy} \right)$$

• Resultant stress along *x* is equal to zero

$$l_f \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xxf} + l_m \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xxm} = 0 \implies v_f \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xxf} = -v_m \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xxm}$$

Using compatibility of strains

$$\frac{1}{E_m} \left( \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xxm} - \nu_m \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy} \right) = \frac{1}{E_f} \left( -\frac{v_m}{v_f} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xxm} - \nu_f \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy} \right) = -\nu_{yx} \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy}}{E_y}$$











Fracture Mechanics - Composites



- Ply (lamina) mechanics:  $v_{yx}$  (4)
  - Constraint (small) transversal displacement  $\Delta l$  (5)
    - Minor Poisson coefficient

$$\nu_{yx} = E_y \frac{v_f \nu_f + v_m \nu_m}{E_f v_f + E_m v_m} = \frac{E_y \nu_{xy}}{E_x}$$

• This is called the minor one as usually

 $E_m << E_f \implies E_x >> E_y \implies v_{yx} < v_{xy}$ 



# • Remarks



 $v_f \sigma_{xxf} = -v_m \sigma_{xxm}$ 

can lead to fiber debonding

- In all the previous developments we have assumed zero-stress along *z*-axis
  - This is justified as the behaviors in *z* and *y* directions are similar.
  - This will not be true in a stack of laminas (laminate)



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- Ply (lamina) mechanics:  $\mu_{xy}$ 
  - Constraint (small) shearing  $\gamma = \Delta s/l_t$ 
    - Assumption: fiber and matrix are subjected to the same shear stress

$$\tau_{xy} = \tau_{yx}$$

• Resultant shear sliding

$$- \mu_{xy} = \mu_{yx} = \frac{\tau_{xy}l_t}{\Delta s} = \frac{\tau_{yx}l_t}{\Delta s}$$

Microscopic shearing

- Fiber 
$$\Delta s_f = \frac{\tau_{xy}}{\mu_f} l_f$$
  
- Matrix  $\Delta s_m = \frac{\tau_{xy}}{\mu_m} l_m$ 

Compatibility

$$\Delta s = \Delta s_f + \Delta s_m \implies \frac{\tau_{xy}}{\mu_{xy}} l_t = \frac{\tau_{xy}}{\mu_f} l_f + \frac{\tau_{xy}}{\mu_m} l_m$$
$$\implies \frac{1}{\mu_{xy}} = \frac{1}{\mu_f} v_f + \frac{1}{\mu_m} v_m$$

• As  $\mu_f >> \mu_m$ , in general  $\mu_{xy} = \mu_m / v_m$ 

– Unlike isotropic materials, shear modulus is NOT related to  $\mathit{E}$  and  $\nu$ 







- Orthotropic ply mechanics
  - Single sheet of composite with
    - Fibers aligned in one direction: unidirectional ply or lamina

 Fibers in perpendicular direction: woven ply





- Orthotropic ply mechanics (2)
  - Woven ply
    - Transversally isotropic
      - Fiber reinforcements the same in both directions
      - Same material properties in the 2 fiber directions
    - Orthotropic
      - Fiber reinforcements not the same in both directions
      - Different material properties in the 2 directions
      - Specially orthotropic: Applied loading in the directions of the plies
      - Generally orthotropic: Applied loading not in the directions of the plies



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- Specially orthotropic ply mechanics
  - Plane stress (Plane- $\sigma$ ) state
    - Isotropic materials

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{E} & -\frac{\nu}{E} & 0 \\ -\frac{\nu}{E} & \frac{1}{E} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2\mu} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xy} \end{pmatrix}$$

New resultant material properties defined in previous slides such that





- Specially orthotropic ply mechanics (2)
  - Plane stress (Plane- $\sigma$ ) state (2) • Reciprocal stress-strain relationship  $\begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{xx} \\ \varepsilon_{yy} \\ \varepsilon_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{E_x} & -\frac{\nu_{yx}}{E_y} & 0 \\ -\frac{\nu_{xy}}{E_x} & \frac{1}{E_y} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2\mu_{xy}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \\ \sigma_{xy} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{y} \xrightarrow{y} \xrightarrow{x} x$ 
    - To be compared to stress-strain relationship for isotropic materials

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{E}{1-\nu^2} & \frac{\nu E}{1-\nu^2} & 0 \\ \frac{\nu E}{1-\nu^2} & \frac{E}{1-\nu^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2\mu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xy} \end{pmatrix}$$





- Specially orthotropic ply mechanics (3)
  - General 3D expression
    - Hooke's law  $oldsymbol{\sigma}=\mathcal{C}:oldsymbol{arepsilon}$  or  $oldsymbol{\sigma}_{ij}=\mathcal{C}_{ijkl}oldsymbol{arepsilon}_{kl}$
    - Can be rewritten under the form







- Specially orthotropic ply mechanics (4)
  - General 3D expression (2)
    - Hooke's law  $\, oldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathcal{C} : oldsymbol{arepsilon} \,$  or  $\, oldsymbol{\sigma}_{ij} = \mathcal{C}_{ijkl} oldsymbol{arepsilon}_{kl}$
    - With the 21 non-zero components of the fourth-order tensor being

$$- C_{xxxx} = \frac{1 - \nu_{yz}\nu_{zy}}{E_yE_zD} , C_{xxyy} = \frac{\nu_{yx} + \nu_{zx}\nu_{yz}}{E_yE_zD} \& C_{xxzz} = \frac{\nu_{zx} + \nu_{yx}\nu_{zy}}{E_yE_zD}$$

$$- C_{yyxx} = \frac{\nu_{xy} + \nu_{zy}\nu_{xz}}{E_xE_zD}, C_{yyyy} = \frac{1 - \nu_{xz}\nu_{zx}}{E_xE_zD} \& C_{yyzz} = \frac{\nu_{zy} + \nu_{xy}\nu_{zx}}{E_xE_zD}$$

$$- C_{zzxx} = \frac{\nu_{xz} + \nu_{xy}\nu_{yz}}{E_yE_xD}, C_{zzyy} = \frac{\nu_{yz} + \nu_{xz}\nu_{yx}}{E_yE_xD} \& C_{zzzz} = \frac{1 - \nu_{yx}\nu_{xy}}{E_yE_xD}$$

$$- C_{yzyz} = C_{yzzy} = C_{zyzy} = C_{zyyz} = \mu_{yz}$$

$$- C_{xyxy} = C_{xyyx} = C_{yxyx} = C_{yxxy} = \mu_{xy}$$

$$- C_{xzxz} = C_{xzzx} = C_{zxzx} = C_{zxxz} = \mu_{xz}$$
• And the denominator  $D = \frac{1 - \nu_{xy}\nu_{yx} - \nu_{zy}\nu_{yz} - \nu_{xz}\nu_{zx} - 2\nu_{xy}\nu_{yz}\nu_{zx}}{E_xE_yE_z}$ 





- Generally orthotropic ply mechanics
  - Stress-strain relationship
    - Stress-strain relationship in the axes O'x'y' is known for plane- $\sigma$  state

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{x'x'} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{y'y'} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{x'y'} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{E_{x'}}{1 - \nu_{x'y'}\nu_{y'x'}} & \frac{\nu_{y'x'}E_{x'}}{1 - \nu_{x'y'}\nu_{y'x'}} & 0 \\ \frac{\nu_{x'y'}E_{y'}}{1 - \nu_{x'y'}\nu_{y'x'}} & \frac{E_{y'}}{1 - \nu_{x'y'}\nu_{y'x'}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2\mu_{x'y'} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{x'x'} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{y'y'} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{x'y'} \end{pmatrix}$$

or in tensorial form  $\, \sigma' = \mathcal{C}' : arepsilon' \,$ 

• If  $\theta$  is the angle between Ox & O'x'

$$-\begin{cases} \boldsymbol{\sigma}' = \mathbf{R}\boldsymbol{\sigma}\mathbf{R}^{T} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}' = \mathbf{R}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\mathbf{R}^{T} \end{cases}$$
  
with  $\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$ 

• From there we can get *C* such that

$$\pmb{\sigma}=\mathcal{C}:\pmb{arepsilon}$$





- Generally orthotropic ply mechanics (2)
  - Stress-strain relationship (2)
    - Equation  $\sigma' = \mathcal{C}' : \varepsilon'$

with 
$$\sigma' = \mathbf{R} \sigma \mathbf{R}^T$$
,  $\varepsilon' = \mathbf{R} \varepsilon \mathbf{R}^T$ 

$$\& \text{ in 2D } \mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

• Solution

$$\Longrightarrow \mathbf{R}\boldsymbol{\sigma}\mathbf{R}^{T} = \mathcal{C}' : \mathbf{R}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\mathbf{R}^{T}$$

$$\Longrightarrow \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{ij} = \mathbf{R}_{ki}\mathcal{C}'_{klmn}\mathbf{R}_{lj}\mathbf{R}_{mp}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{pq}\mathbf{R}_{nq}$$

$$\Longrightarrow \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{ij} = \mathbf{R}_{ki}\mathbf{R}_{lj}\mathcal{C}'_{klmn}\mathbf{R}_{mp}\mathbf{R}_{nq}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{pq} = \mathcal{C}_{ijpq}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{pq}$$

• Or again 
$$\sigma = \mathcal{C} : oldsymbol{arepsilon}$$

with 
$$\mathcal{C}_{ijkl} = \mathbf{R}_{mi} \mathbf{R}_{nj} \mathcal{C}'_{mnpq} \mathbf{R}_{pk} \mathbf{R}_{ql}$$







- Generally orthotropic ply mechanics (3)
  - Plane  $\sigma$  state

• From 
$$\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{x'x'} \\ \sigma_{y'y'} \\ \sigma_{x'y'} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{E_{x'}}{1 - \nu_{x'y'}\nu_{y'x'}} & \frac{\nu_{y'x'}E_{x'}}{1 - \nu_{x'y'}\nu_{y'x'}} & 0 \\ \frac{\nu_{x'y'}E_{y'}}{1 - \nu_{x'y'}\nu_{y'x'}} & \frac{E_{y'}}{1 - \nu_{x'y'}\nu_{y'x'}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2\mu_{x'y'} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{x'x'} \\ \varepsilon_{y'y'} \\ \varepsilon_{x'y'} \end{pmatrix}$$

- The non-zero components are

$$\begin{array}{l} & \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} = \frac{E_{x'}}{1 - \nu_{x'y'}\nu_{y'x'}} \\ & \mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'} = \frac{E_{y'}}{1 - \nu_{x'y'}\nu_{y'x'}} \\ & \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} = \mathcal{C}'_{y'y'x'x'} = \frac{\nu_{y'x'}E_{x'}}{1 - \nu_{x'y'}\nu_{y'x'}} = \frac{\nu_{x'y'}E_{y'}}{1 - \nu_{x'y'}\nu_{y'x'}} \\ & \mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} = \mathcal{C}'_{x'y'y'x'} = \mathcal{C}'_{y'x'x'y'} = \mathcal{C}'_{y'x'y'x'} = \mu_{x'y'} \\ - \operatorname{Let} c = \cos \theta, s = \sin \theta, \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{x'x} = \mathbf{R}_{y'y} = c$$
$$\mathbf{R}_{x'y} = -\mathbf{R}_{y'x} = s$$





- Generally orthotropic ply mechanics (4)
  - Plane  $\sigma$  state (2)
    - Using  $\mathbf{R}_{x'x} = \mathbf{R}_{y'y} = c$  &  $\mathbf{R}_{x'y} = -\mathbf{R}_{y'x} = s$ expression  $\mathcal{C}_{ijkl} = \mathbf{R}_{mi}\mathbf{R}_{nj}\mathcal{C}'_{mnpq}\mathbf{R}_{pk}\mathbf{R}_{ql}$  leads to

$$\mathcal{C}_{xxxx} = \mathbf{R}_{mx} \mathbf{R}_{nx} \mathcal{C}'_{mnpq} \mathbf{R}_{px} \mathbf{R}_{qx}$$

$$= \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} + \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} + \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathcal{C}'_{x'y'y'x'} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} + \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathcal{C}'_{x'y'y'x'} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} + \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathcal{C}'_{y'x'y'x'} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} + \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathcal{C}'_{y'x'y'y'} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} + \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} + \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} + \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} + \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{$$

• Eventually, using minor & major symmetry of material tensor

$$\mathcal{C}_{xxxx} = c^4 \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} + 2c^2 s^2 \left( \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} + 2\mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} \right) + s^4 \mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'}$$





- Generally orthotropic ply mechanics (5)
  - Plane  $\sigma$  state (3)
    - Doing the same for the other components leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}_{xxxx} &= c^4 \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} + 2c^2 s^2 \left( \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} + 2\mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} \right) + s^4 \mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'} \\ \mathcal{C}_{yyyy} &= s^4 \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} + 2c^2 s^2 \left( \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} + 2\mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} \right) + c^4 \mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'} \\ \mathcal{C}_{xxyy} &= \mathcal{C}_{yyxx} = \left( c^4 + s^4 \right) \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} + c^2 s^2 \left( \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} + \mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'} - 4\mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} \right) \\ \mathcal{C}_{xyxy} &= \mathcal{C}_{xyyx} = \mathcal{C}_{yxxy} = \mathcal{C}_{yxyx} = \\ \left( c^2 - s^2 \right)^2 \mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} + c^2 s^2 \left( \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} + \mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'} \right) \end{aligned}$$

- These are the 8 non-zero components
- In the O'x'y' there were 8 non-zero components





- Generally orthotropic ply mechanics (6)
  - Plane  $\sigma$  state (4)
    - But due to the rotation: a coupling between tension and shearing appears

$$C_{xxxy} = \mathbf{R}_{mx} \mathbf{R}_{nx} C'_{mnpq} \mathbf{R}_{px} \mathbf{R}_{qy}$$

$$= \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} C'_{x'x'x'} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'y} + \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} C'_{x'x'y'y'} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'y} +$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} C'_{x'y'x'y'} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'y} + \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} C'_{x'y'y'x'} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'y} +$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} C'_{y'x'x'y'} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'y} + \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'x} C'_{y'x'y'x'} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{x'y} +$$

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$$\mathbf{R}_{y'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'x} C'_{y'y'y'x'} + C'_{x'y'y'y'} - C'_{y'x'y'y'} + C'_{y'y'y'y'} +$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{x'x} \mathbf{R}_{y'y'y'y'} + C'_{y'y'y'y'} + C'_{y'y'y'y'} + C'_{y'y'y'y'y'} +$$

• A traction  $\sigma_{xx}$  along Ox induces a shearing  $\varepsilon_{xy}$  due to the fiber orientation



- Generally orthotropic ply mechanics (7)
  - Plane  $\sigma$  state (5)
    - All the non-zero components are

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{C}_{xxxx} = c^{4}\mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} + 2c^{2}s^{2} \left( \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} + 2\mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} \right) + s^{4}\mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'} \\ \mathcal{C}_{yyyy} = s^{4}\mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} + 2c^{2}s^{2} \left( \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} + 2\mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} \right) + c^{4}\mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'} \\ \mathcal{C}_{xxyy} = \mathcal{C}_{yyxx} = \left( c^{4} + s^{4} \right) \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} + c^{2}s^{2} \left( \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} + \mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'} - 4\mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} \right) \\ \mathcal{C}_{xyxy} = \mathcal{C}_{xyyx} = \mathcal{C}_{yxxy} = \mathcal{C}_{yxyx} = \\ \left( c^{2} - s^{2} \right)^{2} \mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} + c^{2}s^{2} \left( \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} + \mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'} - 2\mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} \right) \\ \mathcal{C}_{xxxy} = \mathcal{C}_{xyxx} = \mathcal{C}_{xxyx} = \mathcal{C}_{yxxx} = \\ c^{3}s \left( \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} - \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} - 2\mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} \right) + cs^{3} \left( \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} + 2\mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} - \mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'} \right) \\ \mathcal{C}_{yyxy} = \mathcal{C}_{xyyy} = \mathcal{C}_{yyyx} = \mathcal{C}_{yxyy} = \\ cs^{3} \left( \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} - \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} - 2\mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} \right) + c^{3}s \left( \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} + 2\mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} - \mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'} \right) \\ \end{pmatrix}$$





- Generally orthotropic ply mechanics (8)
  - Plane  $\sigma$  state (6)
    - Can be rewritten under the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \\ \sigma_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{C}_{xxxx} & \mathcal{C}_{xxyy} & 2\mathcal{C}_{xxxy} \\ \mathcal{C}_{yyxx} & \mathcal{C}_{yyyy} & 2\mathcal{C}_{yyxy} \\ \mathcal{C}_{xyxx} & \mathcal{C}_{xyyy} & 2\mathcal{C}_{xyxy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{xx} \\ \varepsilon_{yy} \\ \varepsilon_{xy} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\sigma_{xx} = \mathcal{C}_{xxxx}\varepsilon_{xx} + \mathcal{C}_{xxyy}\varepsilon_{yy} + \mathcal{C}_{xxxy}\varepsilon_{xy} + \mathcal{C}_{xxyx}\varepsilon_{yx}$$
$$\sigma_{xy} = \mathcal{C}_{xyxx}\varepsilon_{xx} + \mathcal{C}_{xyyy}\varepsilon_{yy} + \mathcal{C}_{xyyx}\varepsilon_{xy} + \mathcal{C}_{xyyx}\varepsilon_{yx}$$

• Remark: a symmetric matrix (not a tensor) can be recovered by using

- The shear angle  $\gamma_{xy} = \varepsilon_{xy} + \varepsilon_{yx} = 2 \varepsilon_{xy}$ 

$$-\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \\ \sigma_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{C}_{xxxx} & \mathcal{C}_{xxyy} & \mathcal{C}_{xxxy} \\ \mathcal{C}_{yyxx} & \mathcal{C}_{yyyy} & \mathcal{C}_{yyxy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{xx} \\ \varepsilon_{yy} \\ \gamma_{xy} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Tension/shearing coupling$$



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# • Laminated composite

- A laminate is the superposition of different plies
  - For a ply *i* of general orientation  $\theta_i$ , there is a coupling between tension and shearing

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx}^{i} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy}^{i} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xy}^{i} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{C}_{xxxx}^{i} & \mathcal{C}_{xxyy}^{i} & \mathcal{C}_{xxxy}^{i} \\ \mathcal{C}_{yyxx}^{i} & \mathcal{C}_{yyyy}^{i} & \mathcal{C}_{yyxy}^{i} \\ \mathcal{C}_{xyxx}^{i} & \mathcal{C}_{xyyy}^{i} & \mathcal{C}_{xyxy}^{i} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}^{i} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy}^{i} \\ \boldsymbol{\gamma}_{xy}^{i} \end{pmatrix}$$

Symmetrical laminate



0°

45°

 $0^{\circ}$ 

-45°

-45°

 $0^{\circ}$ 

45°

 $0^{\circ}$ 

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 $t_i = 0.125$ 

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- Laminated composite (2)
  - Supression of tensile/shearing coupling

• 
$$C_{xxxy} = c^3 s \left( C'_{x'x'x'x'} - C'_{x'x'y'y'} - C'_{x'y'x'y'} - C'_{y'x'x'y'} \right) + cs^3 \left( C'_{x'y'y'x'} + C'_{y'x'y'x'} + C'_{y'y'x'x'} - C'_{y'y'y'y'} \right)$$

- Supression of tensile/shearing coupling requires
  - Same proportion in  $+\alpha^{\circ}$  and  $-\alpha^{\circ}$  oriented laminas (of the same material)







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- Laminated composite (3)
  - Resulting elastic properties of a laminate can be deduced \_
  - Deformations of the laminate assumed to correspond to a plate \_
    - Membrane mode & resultant membrane stresses

• For a laminate the integration is performed on each ply

$$\begin{cases} n_{xx} = \sum_{i} \int_{z_{i}}^{z_{i+1}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx} dz \\ n_{yy} = \sum_{i} \int_{z_{i}}^{z_{i+1}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy} dz \\ n_{xy} = \sum_{i} \int_{z_{i}}^{z_{i+1}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xy} dz \end{cases}$$



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Fracture Mechanics – Composites

- Laminated composite (4)
  - Deformations of the laminate assumed to correspond to a plate (2)
    - Bending mode & resultant bending stresses

$$\tilde{m}_{xx} = \int_{h} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx} z dz = \tilde{m}_{x}^{x} = \left(\int_{h} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{E}^{x} z dz\right)_{x}$$
$$\tilde{m}_{yy} = \int_{h} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy} z dz = \tilde{m}_{y}^{y} = \left(\int_{h} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{E}^{y} z dz\right)_{y}$$
$$\tilde{m}_{xy} = \tilde{m}_{xy} z dz = \tilde{m}_{y}^{x} = \tilde{m}_{x}^{y} = \left(\int_{h} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{E}^{y} z dz\right)_{y}$$

• For a laminate the integration is performed on each ply

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{m}_{xx} = \sum_{i} \int_{z_{i}}^{z_{i+1}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx} z dz \\ \tilde{m}_{yy} = \sum_{i} \int_{z_{i}}^{z_{i+1}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy} z dz \\ \tilde{m}_{xy} = \sum_{i} \int_{z_{i}}^{z_{i+1}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xy} z dz \end{cases}$$





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Exponent zero refers to neutral plane

- » Assumed to be at z = 0
- » In case of symmetric laminate it is located

at the mid-plane

Classe on shells for rigourous demonstation



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- Laminated composite (6)
  - Stress-strain relationship (2)



- So, using tensorial notation  $\sigma^i_{\alpha\beta} = C^i_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} \varepsilon^0_{\gamma\delta} z C^i_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} u^0_{z,\gamma\delta}$
- As properties change in each ply, this theoretically leads to discontinuous stress











Fracture Mechanics – Composites

- Laminated composite (9)
  - Stress-strain relationship (5)
    - The two equations are

$$\begin{cases} n_{\alpha\beta} = \varepsilon_{\gamma\delta}^{0} \sum_{i} \mathcal{C}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}^{i} t_{i} - u_{z,\gamma\delta}^{0} \sum_{i} \mathcal{C}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}^{i} t_{i} \bar{z}_{i} \\ \tilde{m}_{\alpha\beta} = \varepsilon_{\gamma\delta}^{0} \sum_{i} \mathcal{C}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}^{i} t_{i} \bar{z}_{i} - u_{z,\gamma\delta}^{0} \sum_{i} \mathcal{C}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}^{i} \left( t_{i} \bar{z}_{i}^{2} + \frac{t_{i}^{3}}{12} \right) \\ B_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} & D_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} \end{cases}$$

• Which can be rewritten under the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} n_{xx} \\ n_{yy} \\ n_{xy} \\ \tilde{m}_{xx} \\ \tilde{m}_{yy} \\ \tilde{m}_{xx} \\ \tilde{m}_{yy} \\ \tilde{m}_{xx} \\ \tilde{m}_{yy} \\ \tilde{m}_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{xxxx} & A_{xxyy} & 2A_{xxyy} & B_{xxxx} & B_{xxyy} & 2B_{xxxy} \\ A_{yyxx} & A_{yyyy} & 2A_{xyyy} & B_{xyxx} & B_{yyyy} & 2B_{yxyy} \\ B_{xxxx} & B_{xxyy} & 2B_{xxxy} & D_{xxxx} & D_{xxyy} & 2D_{xxxy} \\ B_{yyxx} & B_{yyyy} & 2B_{yyxy} & D_{yyxx} & D_{yyyy} & 2D_{yyxy} \\ B_{xyxx} & B_{xyyy} & 2B_{xyxy} & D_{xyxx} & D_{xyyy} & 2D_{yxyy} \\ B_{xyxx} & B_{xyyy} & 2B_{xyxy} & D_{xyxx} & D_{xyyy} & 2D_{yxyy} \\ \end{pmatrix} \\ n_{xx} = A_{xxxx} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}^{0} + A_{xxyy} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy}^{0} + A_{xxxy} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xy}^{0} + A_{xxyx} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yx}^{0} - u_{z,xy}^{0} \\ B_{xxxx} \boldsymbol{u}_{z,xx}^{0} - B_{xxyy} \boldsymbol{u}_{z,yy}^{0} - B_{xxxy} \boldsymbol{u}_{z,yy}^{0} - B_{xxyx} \boldsymbol{u}_{z,yx}^{0} \\ \end{pmatrix}$$



Fracture Mechanics – Composites


- Laminated composite (10)
  - Stress-strain relationship (6)
    - As  $\gamma_{xy} = \varepsilon_{xy} + \varepsilon_{yx} \& \kappa_{xy} = -u_{z,xy} u_{z,yx}$

$\begin{pmatrix} n_{xx} \\ n_{yy} \\ n \end{pmatrix}$		$ \begin{array}{c} A_{xxxx} \\ A_{yyxx} \\ \hline A \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} A_{xxyy} \\ A_{yyyy} \\ A \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} A_{xxxy} \\ A_{yyxy} \\ A \end{array}$	$B_{xxxx} \\ B_{yyxx} \\ B$	$B_{xxyy}$ $B_{yyyy}$ $B$	$ \begin{array}{c} B_{xxxy} \\ B_{yyxy} \\ B \end{array} $	$\left(egin{array}{c} oldsymbol{arepsilon}_{xx}^0 \ oldsymbol{arepsilon}_{yy}^0 \ arphi^0 \end{array} ight)$
$\begin{bmatrix} n_{xy} \\ \tilde{m}_{xx} \\ \tilde{m}_{xx} \end{bmatrix}^{\pm}$		$\begin{bmatrix} A_{xyxx} \\ B_{xxxx} \\ B_{xxxx} \end{bmatrix}$	$\frac{A_{xyyy}}{B_{xxyy}}$	$\begin{array}{c} A_{xyxy} \\ B_{xxxy} \\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} D_{xyxx} \\ D_{xxxx} \\ D \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} D_{xyyy} \\ D_{xxyy} \\ D \end{array}$	$D_{xyxy}$ $D_{xxxy}$	$\kappa^{\gamma_{xy}}_{\kappa^0_{xx}}$
$\left(\begin{array}{c} m_{yy} \\ \tilde{m}_{xy} \end{array}\right)$		$B_{yyxx}$ $B_{xyxx}$	$B_{yyyy}\ B_{xyyy}$	$B_{yyxy} \\ B_{xyxy}$	$\frac{D_{yyxx}}{D_{xyxx}}$	$\frac{D_{yyyy}}{D_{xyyy}}$	$\left. \begin{array}{c} D_{yyxy} \\ D_{xyxy} \end{array} \right)$	$\left(egin{array}{c} \kappa^0_{yy}\ \kappa^0_{xy}\end{array} ight)$

• Terms *B* are responsible for traction/bending coupling

– With 
$$B_{lpha\beta\gamma\delta} = \sum_{i} \mathcal{C}^{i}_{lpha\beta\gamma\delta} t_{i} \bar{z}_{i}$$

- A symmetrical stack prevents this coupling
  - » 2 identical  $C^i$  at  $z^i$  opposite
- Terms  $A_{xxxy}$  are responsible for tensile/shearing coupling
  - Can be avoided by using the same proportion
    - of + $\alpha$  and - $\alpha$  plies
- Terms  $D_{xxxy}$  are responsible for torsion/bending coupling





- Symmetrical laminated composite
  - Stress-strain relationship
    - Terms **B** vanish

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} n_{xx} \\ n_{yy} \\ n_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{xxxx} & A_{xxyy} & A_{xxxy} \\ A_{yyxx} & A_{yyyy} & A_{yyxy} \\ A_{xyxx} & A_{xyyy} & A_{xyxy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}^{0} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy}^{0} \\ \boldsymbol{\gamma}_{xy}^{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

• If h is the laminate thickness

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{h} \begin{pmatrix} A_{xxxx} & A_{xxyy} & A_{xxxy} \\ A_{yyxx} & A_{yyyy} & A_{yyxy} \\ A_{xyxx} & A_{xyyy} & A_{xyxy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}^{0} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy}^{0} \\ \boldsymbol{\gamma}_{xy}^{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

• As 
$$A_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = \sum_{i} \mathcal{C}^{i}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} t_{i}$$
 with  
 $\mathcal{C}_{xxxy} = \mathcal{C}_{xyxx} = \mathcal{C}_{xxyx} = \mathcal{C}_{yxxx} =$   
 $c^{3}s \left(\mathcal{C}'_{x'x'x'x'} - \mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} - 2\mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'}\right) + cs^{3} \left(\mathcal{C}'_{x'x'y'y'} + 2\mathcal{C}'_{x'y'x'y'} - \mathcal{C}'_{y'y'y'y'}\right)$ 

- Supression of tensile/shearing coupling requires same proportion in  $+\alpha^{\circ}$  and  $-\alpha^{\circ}$  oriented laminas (of the same material)
- Then  $s(+\alpha) = \sin(+\alpha) = -s(-\alpha)$  &  $s^3(+\alpha) = \sin^3(+\alpha) = -s^3(-\alpha)$
- So two terms  $C_{xxxy}$  will cancel each-others





- Symmetrical laminated composite without tensile/shearing coupling
  - Stress-strain relationship
    - Terms *B* &  $A_{xxxv}$  vanish

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} n_{xx} \\ n_{yy} \\ n_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{xxxx} & A_{xxyy} & A_{xxxy} \\ A_{yyxx} & A_{yyyy} & A_{yyxy} \\ A_{xyxx} & A_{xyyy} & A_{xyxy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}^{0} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy}^{0} \\ \gamma_{xy}^{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

• To be compared with an orthotropic material

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{E_x}{1 - \nu_{xy}\nu_{yx}} & \frac{\nu_{yx}E_x}{1 - \nu_{xy}\nu_{yx}} & 0 \\ \frac{\nu_{xy}E_y}{1 - \nu_{xy}\nu_{yx}} & \frac{E_y}{1 - \nu_{xy}\nu_{yx}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2\mu_{xy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xy} \end{pmatrix}$$

Homogenized orthotropic material

$$\begin{cases} E_x = \frac{A_{xxxx}A_{yyyy} - A_{xxyy}^2}{hA_{yyyy}} \\ E_y = \frac{A_{xxxx}A_{yyyy} - A_{xxyy}^2}{hA_{xxxx}} \\ \nu_{xy} = \frac{A_{xxyy}}{A_{yyyy}} \\ & \& \nu_{yx} = \frac{A_{xxyy}}{A_{xxxx}} \end{cases}$$





# Methodology

- Finite element problem solved using ABD matrix of the laminated structure



With  $\gamma_{ij} = \varepsilon_{ij} + \varepsilon_{ji} \& \kappa_{ij} = -u_{z,ij} - u_{z,ji}$ 

- In each ply *i*, field  $\sigma^i_{xx}$ ,  $\sigma^i_{yy}$ ,  $\sigma^i_{xy}$  in laminated axes:  $\sigma^i_{\alpha\beta} = C^i_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} \varepsilon^0_{\gamma\delta} - z C^i_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} u^0_{z,\gamma\delta}$ 



# • Methodology (2)

- In each ply *i*, field  $\sigma_{xx}^{i}$ ,  $\sigma_{yy}^{i}$ ,  $\sigma_{xy}^{i}$  in laminated axes:

• 
$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{i}_{\alpha\beta} = \mathcal{C}^{i}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{0}_{\gamma\delta} - z\mathcal{C}^{i}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}\boldsymbol{u}^{0}_{z,\gamma\delta}$$

- In each ply *i*, field  $\sigma^{i}_{x'x'}$ ,  $\sigma^{i}_{y'y'}$ ,  $\sigma^{i}_{x'y'}$  in the laminate axes

• 
$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}^i_{lpha^\primeeta^\prime} = \mathbf{R}^i_{lpha^\primelpha} \boldsymbol{\sigma}^i_{lphaeta} \mathbf{R}^i_{eta^\primeeta}$$

with 
$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

• The strain can be deduced from the stress

using 
$$\sigma' = \mathcal{C}': arepsilon'$$



- We have access to
  - Homogenized resultant stress/strain in laminated structure
  - Homogenized stress/strain in each ply (in the ply main directions)
    - Analyses can predict stress/strain in the fibers/matrix
- How can we predict failure of laminated structure?





- Heterogeneous structure of composites
  - Failure mechanisms depend on the loading
    - Tensile loading
      - Matrix or fiber cracking, debonding ...

- Compressive loading
  - (Micro-)buckling

- Out-of-plane loading
  - Delamination
- Several of these mechanisms may be simultaneously involved







- Tensile loading
  - Fiber rupture (1)
    - If no matrix
      - Fiber would not be able to carry any loading
      - Fiber would become useless
    - In reality
      - Matrix transmits the load between the two broken parts
      - Fiber can still (partially) carry the loading
  - Fiber/matrix debonding (2)
  - Fiber bridging (3)
    - Prevents the crack from further opening
    - Corresponds to an increase of toughness
  - Fiber Pullout (4)
  - Matrix cracking (5)
    - Facilitates moisture absorption
    - May initiate delamination between plies
  - Ultimate tensile failure
    - Several of these mechanisms







- Tensile loading: Strength of unidirectional fiber reinforced composite
  - A simple model
    - To be applied in each ply
      - Study in the longitudinal direction
      - For clarity  $\varepsilon^{i}_{x^{'}x^{'}} 
        ightarrow \varepsilon$  ,  $\sigma^{i}_{x^{'}x^{'}} 
        ightarrow \sigma$
    - Strain compatibility for fiber and matrix  $\frac{\Delta L}{L} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_f = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_m$
    - Since the fiber is more brittle than the matrix

$$oldsymbol{arepsilon}_{f}^{max} < oldsymbol{arepsilon}_{m}^{max} 
ightarrow oldsymbol{arepsilon}_{m}^{max} = oldsymbol{arepsilon}_{f}^{max}$$

• Fracture stress along x' of ply i

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{max} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{f}^{max} v_{f} + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m}^{(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{f}^{max})} (1 - v_{f})$$

- Resulting strength curve of a ply
- What happens if a fiber breaks ?





- Tensile loading: Strength of unidirectional fiber reinforced composite (2)
  - A Simple model (2)
    - What happens if  $\sigma > \sigma^{max}$  ?
      - Fiber will break
      - Matrix may still have a load carrying capacity
    - Assume that all fibers break simultaneously
      - Matrix carries the whole load
      - Fracture strain is now  $\varepsilon_m^{max}$
      - Fracture strength  $\sigma_{broken\,fibers}^{max} = \sigma_m^{max}(1 v_f)$







- Tensile loading: Strength of unidirectional fiber reinforced composite (3)
  - A Simple model (3)
    - Fiber dominated failure

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{max} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{f}^{max} v_{f} + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m}^{(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{f}^{max})} (1 - v_{f})$$







- Tensile loading: Strength of unidirectional fiber reinforced composite (3)
  - A Simple model (3)
    - Fiber dominated failure

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{max} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{f}^{max} v_{f} + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m}^{(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{f}^{max})} (1 - v_{f})$$

Matrix dominated failure

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{broken\,fibers}^{max} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m}^{max}(1 - v_f)$$







- Tensile loading: Strength of unidirectional fiber reinforced composite (3)
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Matrix dominated failure

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{broken\,fibers}^{max} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m}^{max}(1-v_{f})$$

- Critical fiber volume ratio
  - $-v_f$  below which the composite strength is lower than matrix strength

$$v_f^{crit} = \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_m^{max} - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_m^{(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_f^{max})}}{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_f^{max} - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_m^{(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_f^{max})}}$$







- Tensile loading: Strength of unidirectional fiber reinforced composite (3)
  - A Simple model (3)
    - Fiber dominated failure

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- Reinforce a matrix with a stiffer and more brittle fiber
  - Always leads to an increase in stiffness
  - But not necessarily to an increase in strength







### Failure mechanisms of composites

# Compressive loading

- Microbuckling
  - Fibers
    - Long and thin
    - Unstable in compression
  - Never perfectly straight in the matrix
    - Fiber waviness
    - Increases the buckling risk



- Macroscopic delamination buckling
  - Especially if the material contains a pre-existing delaminated region







### Failure mechanisms of composites

- Out-of-plane stress: Delamination
  - Fibers cannot carry out-of-plane stress
    - Failure between plies
  - Out-of-plane stress can result from
    - Structural geometry
      - 2 panels joined in a « T » configuration
      - Should be reinforced by stringers
    - Free edge effect (see next slides)
  - Delamination can also be caused by impact loadings
    - Accidental drop of a tool during manufacturing
    - Bird strike on aircraft structures
  - Damage not always apparent
    - Dangerous
    - Ultrasonic inspection









- Delamination Free edge effect
  - Classical laminated theory assumes plane- $\sigma$  state of each plies

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{zz} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xz} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yz} = 0$$

#### – BUT

- Significant out-of-plane interlaminar stress may appear
  - In small zones
  - Close to the free edges
- Even for in-plane external loading only
- This is the *free edge effect* which can initiate delamination
- Plane- $\sigma$  laminated theory fails to predict interlaminar stresses
  - 3D laminated theory and correct boundary conditions should be used
  - Involves complex differential equations
  - Requires numerical solving methods (e.g.: finite differences)





## Failure mechanisms of composites

- Delamination Free edge effect (2)
  - Example : [0°/90°]<sub>s</sub> laminated structure in tension
    - Let *x*'*y*' be the local axes in each ply



$$\begin{array}{rcl}
\nu_{xy}^{0^{\circ}} &= & \nu_{x'y'} \\
\nu_{xy}^{90^{\circ}} &= & \nu_{y'x'}
\end{array}$$

- Bonding compatibility
  - Same strain along y
  - Since  $v_{y'x'} < v_{x'y'}$ 
    - » 0°-ply: tension along y
    - » 90°-ply: compression along y
  - This leads to this stress distribution along y
- Rotational equilibrium is not satisfied !!
  - There should be a restoring moment







## Failure mechanisms of composites

- Delamination Free edge effect (3)
  - Example :  $[0^{\circ}/90^{\circ}]_{s}$  laminated structure in tension (2)
    - Restoring moment
      - Free edge and the upper faces stress-free
      - There should be a  $\sigma_z$  distribution at the 90°/90° interface



- At each interface
  - Interlaminar stress distribution (mode I)
- At each interface except symmetrical one
  - Shearing (mode II)
  - But obviously vanishes at free edge





 $N_x$ 

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- Delamination Free edge effect (4)
  - Interlaminar stresses can initiate delamination at the edge of a laminate
  - These stresses strongly depend on the stacking sequence
  - Free edge effect can be reduced by
    - Modifying the stacking sequence
    - Using edge reinforcements
    - Modifying edge geometry





- Heterogeneous vs isotropic homogenous materials
  - Notch strength: assume plate large compared to hole
    - Isotropic homogenous materials
      - Stress profile (lecture 2)

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy}\left(x,y=0\right) = \frac{\sigma_{\infty}}{2} \left(2 + \frac{3a^4}{x^4} + \frac{a^2}{x^2}\right)$$

- Stress concentration factor equals 3
  - » Whatever the radius of the hole
  - » Thus, for a stress-based criterion strength independent of radius
- However the distance where the stress concentration acts depends of the hole radius
- Composite
  - Measurements show a radius dependence on material strength
  - Increasing radius lowers the strength
  - Volume over which the stress acts is important







- Heterogeneous vs isotropic homogenous materials (2)
  - Notch strength: assume plate large compared to hole (2)
    - Composite (2)
      - Increasing radius lowers the strength
      - Volume over which the stress acts is important
    - Whitney-Nuismer criterion for failure in notched composites
      - Failure will occur if the stress exceeds the un-notched strength  $\sigma^{f}$  over a critical distance d
      - This parameter is obtained experimentally

- Criterion  $\sigma_y(R+d, 0) > \sigma^f$ 

- This is not a rigorous approach
- Due to the heterogeneity, there is a scale-effect
- What happens for sharp crack?







- Heterogeneous vs isotropic homogenous materials (3)
  - Sharp crack
    - (Brittle) homogenous material
- rittle) homogenous materiai Asymptotic solution  $\sigma^{\text{mode i}} = \frac{K_i}{\sqrt{2\pi r}} \mathbf{f}^{\text{mode i}}(\theta)$ 
  - Outside singularity zone
    - » Solution completed by terms in  $r^0$ ,  $r^{1/2}$ , ...
    - » Geometry dependant
  - K-only-based fracture criterion
    - » Only if all non-linear behavior in
      - singularity zone
  - This model is based on continuum mechanics assumption ٠
    - Theoretical concept that is verified or not depending on which scale a \_ material is studied
    - For LEFM: micro structural constituents small compared to singularity zone
      - » Non-damaged metals
      - Ceramics **》**
      - Plastics **》**
    - What about composites?







- Heterogeneous vs isotropic homogenous materials (4)
  - Sharp crack (2)
    - Composite
      - LEFM valid if continuum mechanics is valid
        - » Fiber spacing small compared to the size of the singularity zone (continuity condition)
        - » Nonlinear damage (debonding, matrix cracking ...) must be confined
          - to a small region within the singularity zone
      - However, anisotropy has to be taken into account
        - » Asymptotic solutions will be different
        - » SIF's now depend on geometry, loading AND anisotropic parameters
    - Interlaminar failure: delamination
      - Crack is usually confined to the matrix between plies
      - Continuum theory is applicable
      - LEFM can be used







- Heterogeneous vs isotropic homogenous materials (5)
  - Sharp crack (3)
    - Composite (2)
      - In some cases, LEFM is valid
        - » See previous slide
      - BUT for composites
        - » These conditions are not always met, and when met
        - » Several complex fracture mechanisms are involved
        - » Failure is often controlled by micro-cracks distributed throughout the material instead of a single macroscopic crack





- Failure prediction of composite materials
  - Interlaminar failure: delamination
    - Analytical: LEFM
    - Numerical point of view
      - Crack path is known
      - Cohesive elements can be used
      - With appropriate traction-separation law
  - Intralaminar failure
    - Often controlled by micro-cracks distributed throughout the material
    - This can be better handled by damage mechanics for example
      - The ply is homogenized
      - Loss of integrity in the ply is introduced through damage variables
      - Damage affects the stiffness and the strength of the material in a continuous way (see lecture on numerical methods)
    - Numerical point of vue
      - Verify a failure criterion on each ply for fracture initiation
      - Can be completed with damage theory







#### • Interlaminar fracture toughness

- Assuming continuum mechanics & SSY hold: LEFM
- Due to anisotropy,  $G_c$  is not the same in the two directions
  - The fracture energy will be different in mode I and mode II
  - DCB specimen testing: G<sub>Ic</sub> & G<sub>IIc</sub>



• Mixed mode fracture criterion

$$\left(\frac{G_I}{G_{Ic}}\right)^m + \left(\frac{G_{II}}{G_{IIc}}\right)^n = 1$$

where m & n are empirical parameters





Failure study: Interlaminar fracture

- Interlaminar fracture toughness: Mode I
  - Crack propagate in the matrix (resin)
    - $G_{Ic} = G_c$  of resin?
  - Due to the presence of the fibers
    - $G_{Ic} \neq G_c$  of the pure resin
    - Fiber bridging
      - Increases toughness
    - Fiber/matrix debonding
      - Brittle matrix
        - » Crack surface is not straight as it follows the fibers
        - » More surface created
        - » Higher toughness
      - Tough matrix
        - » Fibers may prevent the damage zone in the matrix from extending far away
        - » Smaller surface created
        - » Lower toughness







Failure study: Interlaminar fracture

- Interlaminar fracture toughness: Mode I (2)
  - Measure of  $G_{Ic}$ 
    - DCB (see previous lecture)

$$\begin{cases} u = \frac{8Qa^3}{Eth^3} \\ G = \frac{12Q^2a^2}{Et^2h^3} = \frac{3u^2Eh^3}{16a^4} = \frac{3uQ}{2at} \end{cases}$$

• At fracture 
$$G_{Ic} = \frac{3u_c Q_c}{2at}$$

• The initial delaminated zone is

introduced by placing a non-adhesive

insert between plies prior to molding





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- Interlaminar fracture toughness: Mode I (3)
  - Measure of  $G_{I_c}$  (2)
    - Linear beam theory may give wrong estimates of energy release rate
  - The area method is an alternative solution
    - Periodic loading with small crack propagation increments
      - The loading part is usually nonlinear prior to fracture
    - Since G is the energy released •









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Failure study: Interlaminar fracture

- Interlaminar fracture toughness: Mode II
  - $G_{IIc}$ 
    - Usually 2-10 times higher than G<sub>Ic</sub>
      - Especially for brittle matrix
    - In mode II loading
      - Extended damage zone, containing
        - micro-cracks, forms ahead of the crack tip
      - The formation of this damaged zone is energy consuming
        - » High relative toughness in mode II



- Note that micro-cracks are 45°-kinked
  - Since pure shearing is involved, this is the direction of maximal tensile stress
  - Thus, the micro-cracks are loaded in mode I



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- Intralaminar failure prediction
  - Aim: Predict if a composite will break or not for a given loading
    - Failure often controlled by micro-cracks distributed throughout the material
    - Numerically
      - Verify a failure criterion on each ply for fracture initiation
      - Can be completed with damage theory for failure evolution
  - Practically
    - Proceed on each ply
    - Use of homogenized properties of the ply
    - Extract stress in the main direction of the ply

$$\begin{cases} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta}^{i} = \mathcal{C}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}^{i}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{\gamma\delta}^{0} - z\mathcal{C}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}^{i}\boldsymbol{u}_{z,\gamma\delta}^{0} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\alpha'\beta'}^{i} = \mathbf{R}_{\alpha'\alpha}^{i}\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta}^{i}\mathbf{R}_{\beta'\beta}^{i} \end{cases}$$

- Consider a fracture surface  $F(\sigma)$ , Material parameters)  $\leq 1$ 
  - If F > 1, then the composite breaks
  - The material parameters are determined experimentally
  - Microscopic failure mechanisms are hidden behind these parameters





### Failure study: Intralaminar fracture

- Intralaminar failure criteria
  - Homogenized stress state
    - For conciseness, rename stresses
    - Longitudinal stress  $\sigma_{x'x'} \rightarrow \sigma_1$
    - Transverse stress  $\sigma_{y'y'} \rightarrow \sigma_2$
    - Shear stress  $\sigma_{x'y'} \rightarrow \tau_{12}$
  - Failure criterion for an orthotropic ply in plane-σ state should consider
    - Longitudinal (along *Ox*') tension and compression strengths: *X<sub>t</sub>* & *X<sub>c</sub>*
    - Transverse tension and compression strengths: Y<sub>t</sub> & Y<sub>c</sub>
    - In-plane shearing strength: S
  - This means at least 5 material parameters
    - 3 if no distinction between tension and compression
  - Criteria
    - Maximum stress
    - Considering a surface (Tsai-Hill & Tsai-Wu)







Failure study: Intralaminar fracture



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## Tsai-Hill criterion

- Aim: consider biaxial stress state
  - Inspired from yield von-Mises surface
- Hill proposed a yield surface for orthotropic materials in 3D

$$(G+H)\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{1}^{2} + (F+H)\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{2}^{2} + (F+G)\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{3}^{2} - 2H\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{1}\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{2} - 2G\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{1}\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{3} - 2F\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{2}\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{3} + 2L\tau_{23}^{2} + 2M\tau_{13}^{2} + 2N\tau_{12}^{2} < 1$$

- 6 parameters: F G H L M N
- Tsai modified these parameters for composite failure
  - Relate these parameters to the failure of an orthotropic ply in composites
    - X: longitudinal strength,
    - Y: Transverse strength
    - S: Shear strength
  - Consider separate critical loadings to find the parameters

- Only 
$$\tau_{12} = S \implies 2N = \frac{1}{S^2}$$
  
- Only  $\tau_{13} = S_{13} \implies 2M = \frac{1}{S_{13}^2}$   
- Only  $\tau_{23} = S_{23} \implies 2L = \frac{1}{S_{23}^2}$ 





- Tsai-Hill criterion (2)
  - Tsai modified these parameters for composite (2)
    - Consider separate critical loadings to find the parameters (2)

$$(G + H)\sigma_1^2 + (F + H)\sigma_2^2 + (F + G)\sigma_3^2 - 2H\sigma_1\sigma_2 - 2G\sigma_1\sigma_3 - 2F\sigma_2\sigma_3$$
$$+2L\tau_{23}^2 + 2M\tau_{13}^2 + 2N\tau_{12}^2 < 1$$
$$- \text{Only } \sigma_1 = X \implies G + H = \frac{1}{X^2}$$
$$- \text{Only } \sigma_2 = Y \implies F + H = \frac{1}{Y^2}$$
$$- \text{Only } \sigma_3 = Z \implies F + G = \frac{1}{Z^2}$$
$$\text{ Seneral 3D case: strength } Z \text{ in the third direction}$$

- Resolution of the system:

$$2G = \frac{1}{X^2} + \frac{1}{Z^2} - \frac{1}{Y^2} \qquad 2F = \frac{1}{Y^2} + \frac{1}{Z^2} - \frac{1}{X^2} \qquad 2H = \frac{1}{X^2} + \frac{1}{Y^2} - \frac{1}{Z^2}$$

• For unidirectional fibers in the *x*-direction, the strength is the same in *y* and *z*: *Y* = *Z* 





- Tsai-Hill criterion (3)
  - Hill criterion

- Assuming plane stress, and Y=Z, the Hill criterion becomes the Tsai-Hill criterion for unidirectional composite ply

$$\frac{\sigma_1^2}{X^2} - \frac{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}{X^2} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{Y^2} + \frac{\tau_{12}^2}{S^2} < 1$$

• The values for *X* and *Y* are taken depending on the sign of  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$ 

$$X = \begin{cases} X_t & \text{if} \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \ge 0\\ X_c & \text{if} \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 < 0\\ Y = \begin{cases} Y_t & \text{if} \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 \ge 0\\ Y_c & \text{if} \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 < 0 \end{cases}$$




- Tsai-Hill criterion (4)
  - Tsai-Hill criterion vs Maximum stress criterion
  - Depending on composite
    - Tsai-hill criterion may or may not give better results than maximum stress
    - One way to improve the criteria is to add more terms



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- Tsai-Wu tensor failure criterion
  - Add terms to the surface
    - Strength parameters in a tensor form
    - Failure surface:  $F_i \sigma_i + F_{ij} \sigma_i \sigma_j < 1$  (i, j = 1, ..., 6)
    - Subscripts *i*,*j* correspond to Voight notation

 $\sigma_1 = \sigma_{11}, ..., \sigma_3 = \sigma_{33}, \sigma_4 = \tau_{23}, \sigma_5 = \tau_{13}, \sigma_6 = \tau_{12}$ 

- More experimental parameters required in the general case
- For an orthotropic composite ply in plane- $\sigma$  state
  - Plane- $\sigma$  state:  $F_3$ ,  $F_4$ ,  $F_5$ ,  $F_{i3}$ ,  $F_{i4}$ ,  $F_{i5}$ ,  $F_{3i}$ ,  $F_{4i}$ ,  $F_{5i}$  disappear
  - Assume no coupling between tensile and shear stress failure parameters
    - $F_{16} = F_{26} = 0$
    - Otherwise the criterion would depend on the sign of shear stress
    - See the remark on  $F_6$  on the next slide

 $F_1 \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + F_2 \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 + F_6 \tau_{12} + F_{11} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1^2 + F_{22} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2^2 + F_{66} \tau_{12}^2 + 2F_{12} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 < 1$ 

• Linear terms are useful to distinguish traction and compression failure





- Tsai-Wu tensor failure criterion (2)
  - Criterion

• 
$$F_1 \sigma_1 + F_2 \sigma_2 + F_6 \tau_{12} + F_{11} \sigma_1^2 + F_{22} \sigma_2^2 + F_{66} \tau_{12}^2 + 2F_{12} \sigma_1 \sigma_2 < 1$$

- Identification of parameters
  - Only  $\sigma_1 = X_t \implies F_1 X_t + F_{11} X_t^2 = 1$  (traction)

• Only 
$$\sigma_1 = X_c \implies F_1 X_c + F_{11} X_c^2 = 1$$
 (compression)  
 $\implies F_1 = \frac{1}{X_t} + \frac{1}{X_c}$  &  $F_{11} = -\frac{1}{X_t X_c}$ 

Same for transverse stress

$$\implies F_2 = \frac{1}{Y_t} + \frac{1}{Y_c} \quad \& \quad F_{22} = -\frac{1}{Y_t Y_c}$$

• Only 
$$\tau_{12} = S \implies F_6 S + F_{66} S^2 = 1$$

• Shear criterion should be independent of the sign of  $\tau_{12} \implies F_6 = 0$ 

$$\implies F_{66} = \frac{1}{S^2}$$





- Tsai-Wu tensor failure criterion (3)
  - Criterion

• 
$$F_1 \sigma_1 + F_2 \sigma_2 + F_6 \tau_{12} + F_{11} \sigma_1^2 + F_{22} \sigma_2^2 + F_{66} \tau_{12}^2 + 2F_{12} \sigma_1 \sigma_2 < 1$$

$$- F_{12}$$
:

• A bi-axial loading is required.

• Let's choose 
$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma$$
:  $(F_1 + F_2) \sigma + (F_{11} + F_{22} + 2F_{12}) \sigma^2 = 1$   
- As 
$$\begin{cases} F_1 = \frac{1}{X_t} + \frac{1}{X_c} & \mathbf{k} \quad F_{11} = -\frac{1}{X_t X_c} \\ F_2 = \frac{1}{Y_t} + \frac{1}{Y_c} & \mathbf{k} \quad F_{22} = -\frac{1}{Y_t Y_c} \end{cases}$$

$$\implies F_{12} = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{1}{X_t} + \frac{1}{X_c} + \frac{1}{Y_t} + \frac{1}{Y_c} \right) \sigma + \left( \frac{1}{X_t X_c} + \frac{1}{Y_t Y_c} \right) \sigma^2 \right]$$

- $-F_{12}$  depends on
  - Tension/compression strength parameters
  - AND  $\sigma$
  - How to determine it?





- Tsai-Wu tensor failure criterion (4)
  - Criterion

• 
$$F_1 \sigma_1 + F_2 \sigma_2 + F_6 \tau_{12} + F_{11} \sigma_1^2 + F_{22} \sigma_2^2 + F_{66} \tau_{12}^2 + 2F_{12} \sigma_1 \sigma_2 < 1$$

with 
$$F_{12} = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{1}{X_t} + \frac{1}{X_c} + \frac{1}{Y_t} + \frac{1}{Y_c} \right) \sigma + \left( \frac{1}{X_t X_c} + \frac{1}{Y_t Y_c} \right) \sigma^2 \right]$$

- Value of 
$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma$$
 leading to failure

- Can be determined experimentally
  - Such tests are expensive
- Criterion not really sensitive to  $F_{12}$ 
  - Approximate solution

$$F_{12} \approx -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{X_t X_c} \frac{1}{Y_t Y_c}}$$

Final Tsai-Wu criterion is



$$\left(\frac{1}{X_t} + \frac{1}{X_c}\right)\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \left(\frac{1}{Y_t} + \frac{1}{Y_c}\right)\boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 - \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1^2}{X_t X_c} - \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_2^2}{Y_t Y_c} + \frac{\boldsymbol{\tau}_{12}^2}{S^2} - \sqrt{\frac{1}{X_t X_c}}\frac{1}{Y_t Y_c}\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 < 1$$





- Remarks on failure criteria
  - The choice of a criterion is not an easy task
    - No one is universal
    - Can lead to good or inaccurate results depending on the loading and on the composite
  - The fracture envelope is constructed by a curve fitting procedure
    - Some fracture points of the envelope are experimentally measured
    - The whole fracture envelope is then fitted assuming (for example) a polynomial shape
    - However, the experimentally measured points correspond to different physical mechanisms, e.g. for a unidirectional ply
      - X<sub>t</sub> corresponds to fiber fracture
      - $X_c$  corresponds to fiber buckling
      - $Y_t$  and  $Y_c$  correspond to matrix fracture
    - So there is no physical reason to connect these points with a continuous curve
  - However, such criteria are
    - Very simple to use in practice
    - Can give good results





# • Extension to 3D

- To include transverse shearing and normal out of plane stress (if any)
  - Let  $S_{12}$ ,  $S_{13}$ ,  $S_{23}$  be the shear strength along 12, 13, 23 respectively.
  - The methodology is exactly the same as before
- Tsai-Hill

$$\frac{\sigma_1^2}{X^2} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{Y^2} + \frac{\sigma_3^2}{Z^2} - \left(\frac{1}{X^2} + \frac{1}{Y^2} - \frac{1}{Z^2}\right)\sigma_1\sigma_2 - \left(\frac{1}{X^2} + \frac{1}{Z^2} - \frac{1}{Y^2}\right)\sigma_1\sigma_3 - \left(\frac{1}{Y^2} + \frac{1}{Z^2} - \frac{1}{X^2}\right)\sigma_2\sigma_3 + \frac{\tau_{23}^2}{S_{23}^2} + \frac{\tau_{13}^2}{S_{13}^2} + \frac{\tau_{12}^2}{S_{12}^2} < 1$$

Tsai-Wu

$$\left(\frac{1}{X_t} + \frac{1}{X_c}\right)\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \left(\frac{1}{Y_t} + \frac{1}{Y_c}\right)\boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 + \left(\frac{1}{Z_t} + \frac{1}{Z_c}\right)\boldsymbol{\sigma}_3 - \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1^2}{X_t X_c} - \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_2^2}{Y_t Y_c} - \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_3^2}{Z_t Z_c} + \frac{\boldsymbol{\tau}_{23}^2}{S_{23}^2} + \frac{\boldsymbol{\tau}_{13}^2}{S_{13}^2} + \frac{\boldsymbol{\tau}_{12}^2}{S_{12}^2} + 2F_{12}\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1\boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 + 2F_{13}\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1\boldsymbol{\sigma}_3 + 2F_{23}\boldsymbol{\sigma}_2\boldsymbol{\sigma}_3 < 1$$

• With 
$$F_{12} \approx -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{1}{X_t X_c}\frac{1}{Y_t Y_c}}$$
  $F_{13} \approx -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{1}{X_t X_c}\frac{1}{Z_t Z_c}}$   $F_{23} \approx -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{1}{Y_t Y_c}\frac{1}{Z_t Z_c}}$ 

– But how to evaluate the transverse shear  $\sigma_{13},\,\sigma_{23}$  in each ply?





# • Transverse shear stress

- Plane-σ state was considered in each ply of the laminated structure
- Transverse shear stress
  - Exists
  - Can lead to mode II debonding
  - Should also be considered in failure criterion
- Example: consider
  - Laminated structure
  - Submit to shear resultant  $T_z$





- Cross section will rotate of a mean angle  $heta_y$
- Each ply will warp differently (increments  $\eta_x$  and  $\eta_z$  )





### Shear stress

- Transverse shear stress (2)
  - Displacement field

$$\begin{cases} \boldsymbol{u}_{x} \left( x, \, y, \, z \right) = \boldsymbol{u}_{x}^{0} + z \theta_{y} \left( x, \, y \right) + \eta_{x} \left( x, \, y, \, z \right) \\ \boldsymbol{u}_{y} \left( x, \, y, \, z \right) = \boldsymbol{u}_{y}^{0} - z \theta_{x} \left( x, \, y \right) + \eta_{y} \left( x, \, y, \, z \right) \\ \boldsymbol{u}_{z} \left( x, \, y, \, z \right) = \boldsymbol{u}_{z}^{0} + \eta_{z} \left( x, \, y, \, z \right) \end{cases}$$

Strain field



variation or warping



 $\eta_z$ 

 $\eta_x$ 

#### Shear stress







- Transverse shear stress (4)
  - In each plane- $\sigma$  ply *i*, we found

$$\left(\begin{array}{c}\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx}^{i}\\\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy}^{i}\\\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xy}^{i}\end{array}\right) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc}\mathcal{C}_{xxxx}^{i}&\mathcal{C}_{xxyy}^{i}&\mathcal{C}_{xxxy}^{i}\\\mathcal{C}_{yyxx}^{i}&\mathcal{C}_{yyyy}^{i}&\mathcal{C}_{yyxy}^{i}\\\mathcal{C}_{xyxx}^{i}&\mathcal{C}_{xyyy}^{i}&\mathcal{C}_{xyxy}^{i}\end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}^{i}\\\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy}^{i}\\\boldsymbol{\gamma}_{xy}^{i}\end{array}\right)$$

• Assuming only 0 and 90° plies, and adding out-of-plane shear effect, ply k reads



Stress obtained using

$$\begin{cases} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}^{0} + z\kappa_{xx}^{0} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy}^{0} + z\kappa_{yy}^{0} \\ \gamma_{yz} = \gamma_{yz}^{0} + \eta_{y,z} \\ \gamma_{zx} = \gamma_{zx}^{0} + \eta_{x,z} \\ \gamma_{xy} = \gamma_{xy}^{0} + z\kappa_{xy}^{0} \end{cases}$$
$$\implies \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx}^{k} = \mathcal{C}_{xxxx}^{k} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx} + \mathcal{C}_{xxyy}^{k} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy} = \mathcal{C}_{xxxx}^{k} \left(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}^{0} + z\kappa_{xx}^{0}\right) + \mathcal{C}_{xxyy}^{k} \left(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy}^{0} + z\kappa_{yy}^{0}\right)$$





- Transverse shear stress (5)
  - Recall plane- $\sigma$  state relations for a laminated structure



– Assume symmetric pile up AND only 0 and 90° plies

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{xxxx} & A_{xxyy} & 0 \\ A_{yyxx} & A_{yyyy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{xyxy} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} D_{xxxx} & D_{xxyy} & 0 \\ D_{yyxx} & D_{yyyy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & D_{xyxy} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{pmatrix} D_{xxxx} & D_{xxyy} & 0 \\ D_{yyxx} & D_{yyyy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & D_{xyxy} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{m}_{xx} \\ \tilde{m}_{yy} \\ \tilde{m}_{xy} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{pmatrix} D_{xxxx} & D_{xxyy} & 0 \\ D_{yyxx} & D_{yyyy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & D_{xyxy} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{m}_{xx} \\ \tilde{m}_{yy} \\ \tilde{m}_{xy} \end{pmatrix}$$

• Transverse shear stress (6)

Ply k  
• 
$$\sigma_{xx}^k = C_{xxxx}^k \varepsilon_{xx} + C_{xxyy}^k \varepsilon_{yy} = C_{xxxx}^k \left(\varepsilon_{xx}^0 + z\kappa_{xx}^0\right) + C_{xxyy}^k \left(\varepsilon_{yy}^0 + z\kappa_{yy}^0\right)$$

• With adequate assumptions (symmetric pile up AND only 0 and 90° plies)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}^{0} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy}^{0} \\ \boldsymbol{\gamma}_{xy}^{0} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{xxxx} & A_{xxyy} & 0 \\ A_{yyxx} & A_{yyyy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{xyxy} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} n_{xx} \\ n_{yy} \\ n_{xy} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Couple does not introduced tension
- For problem under consideration
  - No tension
  - No coupling bending/tension
  - Could be added later by superposition

$$\implies \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}^{0} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy}^{0} = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx}^{k} = z \left( \mathcal{C}_{xxxx}^{k} \kappa_{xx}^{0} + \mathcal{C}_{xxyy}^{k} \kappa_{yy}^{0} \right)$$







• Transverse shear stress (7)

Ply k  
• 
$$\sigma_{xx}^k = z \left( \mathcal{C}_{xxxx}^k \kappa_{xx}^0 + \mathcal{C}_{xxyy}^k \kappa_{yy}^0 \right)$$

• As  

$$\begin{pmatrix} \kappa_{xx}^{0} \\ \kappa_{yy}^{0} \\ \kappa_{xy}^{0} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} D_{xxxx} & D_{xxyy} & 0 \\ D_{yyxx} & D_{yyyy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & D_{xyxy} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{m}_{xx} \\ \tilde{m}_{yy} \\ \tilde{m}_{xy} \end{pmatrix} \Longrightarrow \begin{cases} \kappa_{xx}^{0} = \frac{D_{yyyy}\tilde{m}_{xx} - D_{xxyy}\tilde{m}_{yy}}{D_{xxxx}D_{yyyy} - D_{xxyy}^{2}} \\ \kappa_{yy}^{0} = \frac{D_{xxxx}\tilde{m}_{yy} - D_{xxyy}\tilde{m}_{xx}}{D_{xxxx}D_{yyyy} - D_{xxyy}^{2}} \end{cases}$$

$$\implies \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx}^{k} = z \left( \mathcal{C}_{xxxx}^{k} \kappa_{xx}^{0} + \mathcal{C}_{xxyy}^{k} \kappa_{yy}^{0} \right) \\ = z \frac{(\mathcal{C}_{xxxx}^{k} D_{yyyy} - \mathcal{C}_{xxyy}^{k} D_{xxyy}) \tilde{m}_{xx} + (\mathcal{C}_{xxyy}^{k} D_{xxxx} - \mathcal{C}_{xxxx}^{k} D_{xxyy}) \tilde{m}_{yy}}{D_{xxxx} D_{yyyy} - D_{xxyy}^{2}}$$

• In case of no applied bending  $\tilde{m}_{yy}$ 

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx}^{k} = z \frac{\mathcal{C}_{xxxx}^{k} D_{yyyy} - \mathcal{C}_{xxyy}^{k} D_{xxyy}}{D_{xxxx} D_{yyyy} - D_{xxyy}^{2}} \tilde{m}_{xx}$$





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Transverse shear stress (8) 

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• 
$$\sigma_{xx}^{k} = z \frac{C_{xxxx}^{k} D_{yyyy} - C_{xxyy}^{k} D_{xxyy}}{D_{xxxx} D_{yyyy} - D_{xxyy}^{2}} \tilde{m}_{xx}$$

 $\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{ij}}{\partial x_j} = 0$ • As linear momentum balance reads

$$\implies \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xz}}{\partial z} = 0$$

Assuming •

$$\sigma_{xy} = 0 \implies \frac{\partial \sigma_{xz}}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x}$$
$$= z \frac{\mathcal{C}_{xxyy}^k D_{xxyy} - \mathcal{C}_{xxxx}^k D_{yyyy}}{D_{xxxx} D_{yyyy} - D_{xxyy}^2} \frac{\partial \tilde{m}_{xx}}{\partial x}$$

• Finally

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{m}_{xx}}{\partial x} = -T_z$$

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$$\implies \frac{\partial \sigma_{xz}}{\partial z} = -z \frac{\mathcal{C}_{xxyy}^k D_{xxyy} - \mathcal{C}_{xxxx}^k D_{yyyy}}{D_{xxxx} D_{yyyy} - D_{xxyy}^2} T_z$$



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• Transverse shear stress (9)

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{xz}}{\partial z} = -z \frac{\mathcal{C}_{xxyy}^k D_{xxyy} - \mathcal{C}_{xxxx}^k D_{yyyy}}{D_{xxxx} D_{yyyy} - D_{xxyy}^2} T_z$$

- Transverse shear distribution
  - By recursive integration on each ply
  - BCs  $\begin{cases} \sigma_{xz} = 0 & \text{On the lower and upper faces} \\ \sigma_{xz}^+ = \sigma_{xz}^- & \text{Between plies (shear stress continuity)} \end{cases}$
  - Can be very different from the distribution expected for an homogeneous beam





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