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2CLOE03 Composite Materials

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Exam No.

Supervisor's initial
with date

Time: 3 Hours

Max Marks: 100

Instructions.

1. Attempt all questions.
2. Figures to right indicate full marks.
3. Use section-wise separate answer book.
4. Draw neat sketches wherever necessary.
5. Assume suitable data if necessary and mention the same clearly.

SECTION - I

- Q.1 A Define stress and strain for composite materials. **02**
CO4, B Find the following for a 60° angle lamina of graphite/epoxy. **16**
BL4

- (i) Transformed reduced compliance matrix
- (ii) Transformed reduced stiffness matrix
- (iii) Global strains, if applied stresses are $\sigma_x = 4$ MPa, $\sigma_y = -6$ MPa, $\tau_{xy} = 8$ MPa.
- (iv) Local strains
- (v) Local stresses
- (vi) Principal stresses
- (vii) Maximum shear stress

Take $E_1 = 181$ GPa, $E_2 = 10.3$ GPa, $\mu_{12} = 0.28$, $G_{12} = 7.17$ GPa.

(Use following equations:

The compliance matrix elements are $C_{11} = \frac{1}{E_1}$; $C_{12} = -\frac{\mu_{12}}{E_1}$; $C_{22} = \frac{1}{E_2}$; $C_{66} = \frac{1}{G_{12}}$.

The reduced stiffness matrix elements are $Q_{11} = \frac{E_1}{1-\mu_{21}\mu_{12}}$; $Q_{12} = \frac{\mu_{12}E_2}{1-\mu_{21}\mu_{12}}$; $Q_{22} = \frac{E_2}{1-\mu_{21}\mu_{12}}$; $Q_{66} = G_{12}$.

The transformed reduced compliance matrix elements are

$$\bar{C}_{11} = C_{11}c^4 + (2C_{12} + C_{66})s^2c^2 + C_{22}s^4;$$

$$\bar{C}_{12} = C_{12}(s^4 + c^4) + (C_{11} + C_{22} - C_{66})s^2c^2;$$

$$\bar{C}_{22} = C_{11}s^4 + (2C_{12} + C_{66})s^2c^2 + C_{22}c^4;$$

$$\bar{C}_{16} = (2C_{11} - 2C_{12} - C_{66})sc^3 - (2C_{22} - 2C_{12} - C_{66})cs^3;$$

$$\bar{C}_{26} = (2C_{11} - 2C_{12} - C_{66})cs^3 - (2C_{22} - 2C_{12} - C_{66})sc^3;$$

$$\bar{C}_{66} = 2(2C_{11} + 2C_{22} - 4C_{12} - C_{66})s^2c^2 + C_{66}(s^4 + c^4).$$

The transformed reduced stiffness matrix elements are

$$\overline{Q}_{11} = Q_{11}c^4 + 2(Q_{12} + 2Q_{66})s^2c^2 + Q_{22}s^4;$$

$$\overline{Q}_{12} = Q_{12}(s^4 + c^4) + (Q_{11} + Q_{22} - 4Q_{66})s^2c^2;$$

$$\overline{Q}_{22} = Q_{11}s^4 + 2(Q_{12} + 2Q_{66})s^2c^2 + Q_{22}c^4;$$

$$\overline{Q}_{16} = (Q_{11} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66})sc^3 - (Q_{22} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66})cs^3;$$

$$\overline{Q}_{26} = (Q_{11} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66})cs^3 - (Q_{22} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66})sc^3;$$

$$\overline{Q}_{66} = (Q_{11} + Q_{22} - 2Q_{12} - 2Q_{66})s^2c^2 + Q_{66}(s^4 + c^4).$$

- Q.2 A Describe Tsai-Hill and Tsai-Wu failure theories in brief. **08**
CO3, Discuss observations made from comparison for the
BL3 experimental results with all failure theories.

OR

- CO4, A Find the coefficients of thermal and moisture expansion for **08**
BL3 the 60° angle lamina of boron/epoxy. Also, determine strains under a temperature change of -100 °C and a moisture absorption of 0.02 kg/kg.

Take properties of unidirectional glass/epoxy lamina

$$\alpha_1 = 6.1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m/m/}^\circ\text{C}, \alpha_2 = 30.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m/m/}^\circ\text{C},$$

$$\beta_1 = 0 \text{ m/m/kg/kg}, \beta_2 = 0.6 \text{ m/m/kg/kg}.$$

- CO4, B A glass/epoxy lamina consists of 70% fiber volume fraction. **08**
BL3 Determine (i) Density of lamina (ii) Mass fractions of the graphite and epoxy (iii) Volume of composite lamina if the mass of the lamina is 5 kg (iv) Volume and mass of glass and epoxy in lamina. Take density of fiber is 2500 kg/m³ and density of matrix is 1200 kg/m³.

- Q.3 Answer the following questions **(Any Four)** **16**

CO1

- BL3 [1] Why fiber is so strong as compared to bulk material? Justify your answer.

- BL3 [2] Enlist various forms of glass fiber. Explain any one form in details.

- BL3 [3] Differentiate the properties of PAN, Pitch and Rayon based carbon fibers.

- BL3 [4] Discuss ceramic fibers. Explain physical properties, advantages and limitations of ceramic fibers.

- BL3 [5] What are whiskers? Explain the importance of whiskers for manufacturing of composites.

SECTION – II

Q.4 CO1 BL3	Answer the following questions (Any Four)	20
[1]	Explain various physical properties and limitations of HPPE fibers.	
BL3	[2] Explain various functions of matrix materials.	
BL3	[3] Explain the various factors affecting selection of matrix materials	
BL4	[4] Explain any one thermosetting polymeric matrix materials: its composition, properties, advantages and limitations.	
BL4	[5] Classify various polymer matrix materials. Discuss the effect of temperature on properties of polymer matrix materials.	
Q.5 CO2 BL3	Answer the following questions (Any Four)	20
[1]	Discuss the advantages and limitations of metals as matrix materials.	
BL3	[2] What are fillers? Explain any one type of filler used in polymer matrix composites.	
BL3	[3] Explain the manufacturing of polymer matrix composite using wet layup method with neat sketch.	
BL3	[4] Explain the manufacturing of polymer matrix composite using pultrusion process with neat sketch.	
BL3	[5] Explain various advantages and limitations of resin transfer moulding process.	
Q.6 A CO2 BL3	Answer the following questions	06
[1]	Differentiate between metals and ceramics	
BL3	[2] What are ceramic matrix composites? Enlist various types of ceramic matrix composites.	
Q.6 B CO2 BL3	Discuss various advantages and limitations of metal matrix composites.	04
OR		
Q.6 B CO2 BL3	Explain any one method of manufacturing of metal matrix composites.	04