

1. Derive the following equations

- a. 
$$\frac{1}{E_2} = \frac{1}{v_f + \eta_2 v_m} \left[ \frac{v_f}{E_{f_2}} + \eta_2 \frac{v_m}{E_m} \right]$$

- b. 
$$v_{12} = v_{f_{12}} V_f + v_m V_m$$

- c. 
$$\frac{1}{G_{12}} = \frac{v_f}{G_{f_{12}}} + \frac{v_m}{G_m}$$

2. Write a MATLAB function that takes the fiber and matrix properties as inputs and plots the composite properties as function of fiber volume fraction. Write few lines about each plot.

$$E_{f_1} = 224 \text{ GPa} \quad E_{f_2} = 19.30 \text{ GPa} \quad E_m = 3.43 \text{ GPa} \quad G_{f_{12}} = 17.45 \text{ GPa} \quad G_m = 1.21 \text{ GPa}$$

- a. Plot E1
- b. Plot E2 (use simplified rule of mixture)
- c. Plot G12

3. Determine the longitudinal elastic modulus of interphase,  $E_i$  assuming the interphase thickness is 500 nm.

➤ Use your findings of previous homework for fiber volume fraction and fiber diameter.

➤  $E_1 = 135.77 \text{ GPa} \quad E_{f_1} = 224 \text{ GPa} \quad E_m = 3.43 \text{ GPa}$