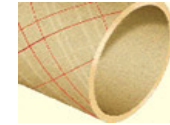
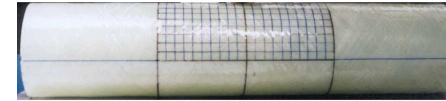


## Coursework Assignment

# Design and Analysis of a Composite Tube

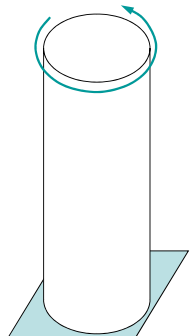
## General Description



- Design a cylindrical composite tube
  - 4 layers, with a lay-up of  $[\alpha / \beta / \alpha / \beta]$ , angle to the axis of the tube
  - Winding tapes cut from a UD prepreg sheet onto a  $R=25\text{mm}$  mandrel
  - The thickness of the prepreg is  $0.25\text{mm}$   $\rightarrow \times 4 = 1\text{mm}$
  - The tube is  $300\text{mm}$  long
- Design variable: fibre orientation angle  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ 
  - $-75^\circ \leq \alpha \leq -30^\circ$  or  $+30^\circ \leq \alpha \leq +75^\circ$ ,  $-75^\circ \leq \beta \leq -30^\circ$  or  $+30^\circ \leq \beta \leq +75^\circ$
- Tube sustains two loading conditions according to maximum stress criterion
  - Internal pressure of 3 MPa (ends closed)  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} bdfk$
  - Axial compression force of 25 kN

## Special Requirement

- The tube should achieve a twist under axial compression in such a direction as shown below
- Aiming at achieving the maximum angle of twist without failure

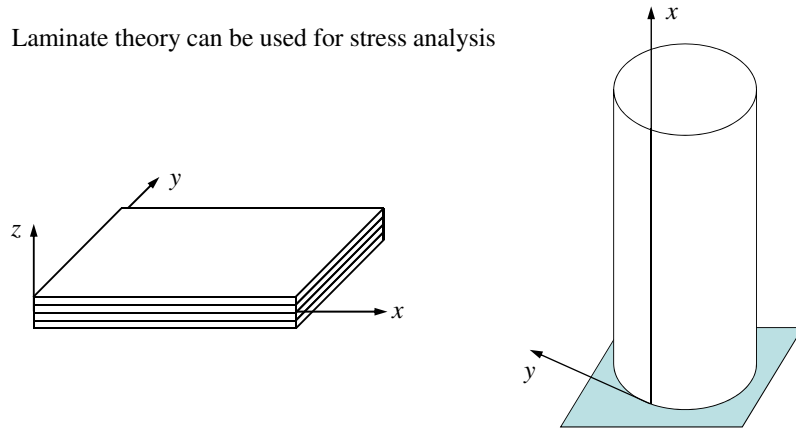
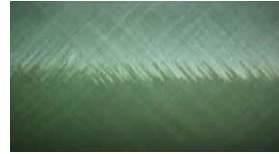


## Arrangement and Report

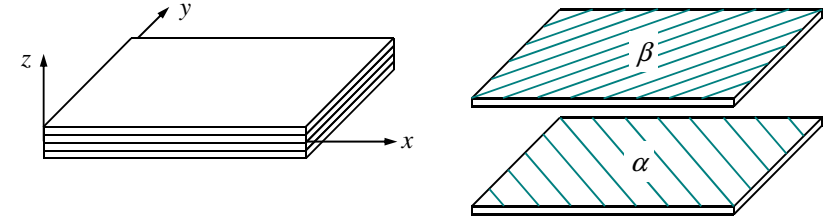
- A group project
  - Maximum 3 students to form one group among yourselves
  - Marks shared by group members
- Computer-based lab
  - Week 6
  - Please check your personal timetable for your session and venue
- Report
  - Group report (maximum 8 pages)
  - Design method and theory, analysis procedure
  - All equations used, same format as in lecture notes, NOT as in the handout
  - Results & analysis to prove the success of the design
  - Due two weeks after your lab session, Blackboard submission
  - One group one report with all names of group member

## Tube Design Analysis

- Composite tube is a laminated structure
- A developed tube is a laminate
  - Lay up:  $[\alpha/\beta/\alpha/\beta]$
- Laminate theory can be used for stress analysis



## Laminate Analysis of the Tube



- Infinitesimal FBD from the tube
  - A laminate with lay-up  $[\alpha/\beta/\alpha/\beta]$

- Generalised stresses and strains

$$N_x, N_y, N_{xy}, M_x, M_y, M_{xy}$$

$$\epsilon_x^0, \epsilon_y^0, \gamma_{xy}^0, \kappa_x, \kappa_y, \kappa_{xy}$$

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- Determination of the generalised stresses and strains
  - Loading condition and generalised stress-strain relationship

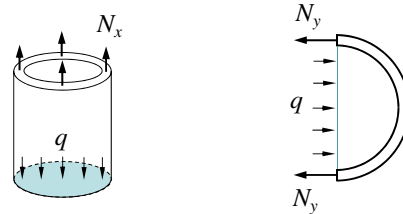
## Generalised Stresses $\{N\}$

- Load case 1: Internal pressure with closed ends

$$N_x = \frac{1}{2} qR$$

$$N_y = qR$$

$$N_{xy} = 0$$

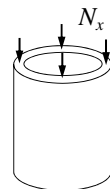


- Load case 2: Axial compression load  $P$

$$N_x = \frac{P}{2\pi R}$$

$$N_y = 0$$

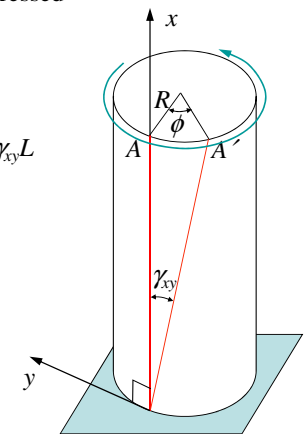
$$N_{xy} = 0$$



## Twist Angle

- Tube is fixed at the bottom end and axially compressed at the top
- Generator on the tube deforms by an angle  $\gamma_{xy}$
- Point A at the top end moves to A' by a distance  $\gamma_{xy}L$
- Twist angle of the tube

$$\phi = \frac{\gamma_{xy}L}{R}$$



## MathCAD Sheet

- A MathCAD sheet will be provided to assist you to carry out the design analysis.
  - Demonstrators will be present to offer help.
- Students are free to use other tools, such as Matlab, to perform the analysis.
  - No need to attend computer lab session, as no help will be offered.

assume  $K = 0$

$$N = A\varepsilon^0 + BK$$

$$M = B\varepsilon^0 + DK$$

$$\varepsilon^0 = A^+ N \quad \varepsilon' = \varepsilon^0 + ZK$$

$$= \varepsilon^0 \rightarrow Txy \rightarrow \rho = \frac{L_{xy}}{R}$$

$$\varepsilon \rightarrow \infty$$

$\rightarrow$  Future Analysis

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