

## Module - 2

### Engineering materials

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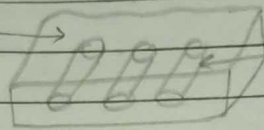
Composite material

A composite material is a combination of two or more materials with different physical and chemical properties.

#### # Matrix phase:

- It is the continuous body constituent, which encloses the composite and give it its Bulk Form.

matrix phase



dispersed phase

#### # dispersed phase:

- It is the structural constituent, which determines the internal structure of composite.

#### Application of composite material:

- used in automobile industries
- used in pump part
- used in turbine engines
- used in electronic circuit boards
- used in high speed machinery
- Fabrication of roofs and floors

## # The matrix phase:

- It is the continuous body constituent, which encloses the composite and gives it its bulk form
- Matrix phase should be
  - ductile
  - corrosion resistant
- Matrix phase may be
  - metal
  - ceramic
  - polymer

two or more material
- When composite are this matrix are known
  - metal metal matrix composites,
  - ceramic matrix composites,
  - polymer matrix composites
- matrix phase should be
  - ductile
  - corrosion resistant

passes high bonding b/w matrix and dispersed phase

ex:- Al, Cu and commercial thermoplastic and thermosetting polymer matrix

## Function:

- It binds the dispersed phase together.
- protect the dispersed phase from the environment
- to prevent propagation of cracks.
- to act as a medium for distribution of applied load to dispersed phase



Particle :- length, diameter ratio is low

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# Dispersed phase :

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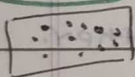
- The important dispersed phases of composite are

- (1) Fiber → length, diameter ratio is high
- (2) Particulates
- (3) Flakes
- (4) Whiskers

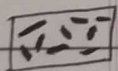
Characteristics :

- (1) The length to diameter ratio is very high
- (2) High tensile strength.
- (3) High stiffness
- (4) They possess low overall density

Particle : length to diameter ratio is low



Fibre : → length to diameter ratio is high



→ It is thin filament and long.

## # Classification of composite :

Composite

(on the basis of reinforced)

Particle-reinforced composite

Fibre-reinforced composite

Structural

large particle

dispersion strengthened

Continuous (Aligned) (long)

Discontinuous (short)

laminates

colloidal particle reinforced composite

Aligned

Randomly

Sandwich Panel

## # particle-reinforced :

In this type of composite  
the particulate  
the particulate

Reinforcing

It is the discontinuous phase  
and give strength to the composite

It can be

(1) particle-reinforced

and

(2) Fibre-reinforced.



**Reinforcing** :- It is the **discontinuous phase** and **give strength** to the composite.

It can be

- (1) **Particle - reinforced** (2) **Fibre - reinforced**

### # **Particle Reinforced Composites** :

In this of composites,

The **size** of particle in **dispersed phase** are nearly the **same in all direction**.

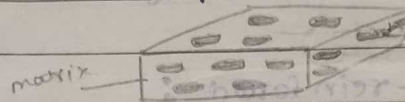
e.g. **Concrete**

same size in all direction

### (1) **Large particle Composite** :

In this type of composites, The particle is **larger**.

**Characteristics** :



large particle

(a) **Stiffer** and **harder** as compared to **matrix phase**.

Provide the strength to the composite

(b) It act as **reinforcing materials**.

dispersed phase

(c) The **bond strength** b/w the **2 phases** governs (hold) the **mechanical properties** of the composite.

matrix phase and dispersed phase

**Material**

**Matrix phase**

**Particulate phase**

**Properties**

(1) **Concrete**

**Cement**

**Sand and gravel**

(1) RCC is harder than ordinary cement.

(2) Sets well on surface thereby holding structure.

(2) **Cermets**

(a) **Oxide based**

**Cr**

**Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>**

(1) good strength  
(2) very good thermal shock resistance

(b) **Carbide based**

**Co or Ni**

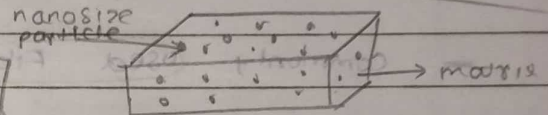
**Tungsten Carbide (WC)**

(1) very hard  
(2) very high surface hardness

(1) The aggregate of coarse rock or gravel embedded in a matrix of cement.

(2) The aggregate provides stiffness and strength.

(2) Dispersion Strengthened Composite



- In this type of composite, the particle size is smaller (10 to 100 nm).

- The metals and alloy are made in small particle to given range and are dispersed in the matrix phase.

This is achieved by appropriate heat treatment is called precipitation hardening.

- Nanosized particles are added to the matrix phase which make the composite and give harder stronger.

- E.g. such as alloy of Cu-Sn, Mg-Al.



## # Fiber reinforced Composite :-

- In these Composite the dispersed phase in form of Fiber
- These Composite material are made up of polymer matrix, Filament, and bonding agent
- Commonly used Fiber are glass or metallic
- These fibers are either Continuous manner and discontinuous manner

- The Strength and other properties of Fiber reinforced Composite mainly depend on arrangement and orientation

longitudinal axis

- the fiber Concentration and the distribution

Based on fibers orientation

- (1) Parallel alignment of the longitudinal axis of the fibers in a single direction

- (2) Totally random alignment.

discontinuous fibers are normally aligned

discontinuous fiber may be aligned randomly oriented or partially oriented

some of dispersed phase

## Properties of fiber reinforced Composite

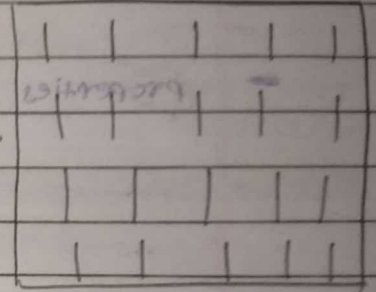
- (1) High tensile strength
- (2) High specific gravity
- (3) Stiffness
- (4) They possess low overall density
- (5) High elastic modulus.

## (1) Continuous and Aligned fiber Composite :-

longitudinal direction ↑

The properties of Continuous and aligned Fiber Composite are highly anisotropic

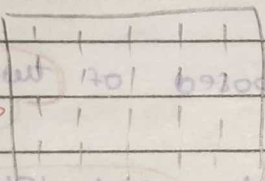
→ They depend on the direction in which they are measured



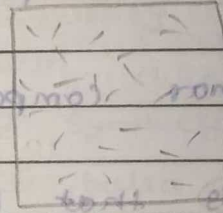
- = The maximum strength is achieved along the direction of fiber alignment (longitudinal)
- = The fiber reinforcement being ~~to~~ virtually non-existent in the direction of transverse - relatively low tensile stresses.

## (2) Discontinuous fiber Composite :-

{ discontinuous and aligned fiber composites }



{ discontinuous and randomly orientation fiber composites }



= The fibres are short and discontinuous may be aligned or randomly oriented

= There are two types of discontinuous fiber composite

(a) Discontinuous and aligned fiber Composites

(b) Discontinuous and randomly oriented fiber Composite

The discontinuous fibers have lower reinforcement efficiency than that for continuous fibers

discontinuous and aligned fiber composite

have greater application compared to in the commercial market

continuous and aligned composite

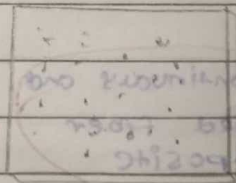
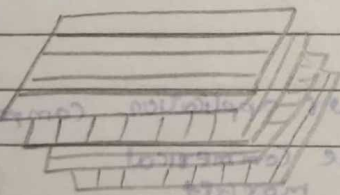


## # Structural Composite:

- Structural composite is composed of both homogeneous material and composite material.
- Properties depend on the properties of constituent material and geometric design.
- Structural composites can be classified in two parts:
  - (1) laminar composites
  - (2) Sandwich panels

### (1) Laminar Composites:

- laminar composite is composed of two-dimensional sheets.
- panels that have preferred high-strength direction such as is found in wood and continuous and aligned fiber-reinforced plastics.
- e.g. adjacent wood sheets in plywood.
- laminar composite has relatively high strength in a no. of direction in the two-dimensional plane.
- The strength in any given direction is lowest when all the fibers were oriented in that direction.



## (2) Sandwich Composites :

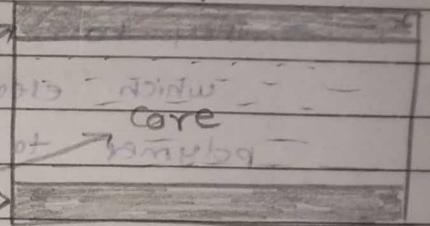
- Sandwich panels are designed to be light-weight beams.

- have relatively High Stiffness and Strength

↑ transverse direction

- A Sandwich panel Consists two outer sheets are called faces

- Faces that are separated by thicker core



- Faces are made by :- ① fibre-reinforced plastic

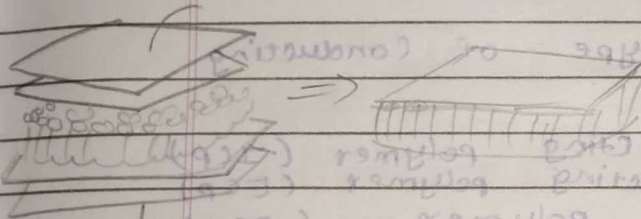
② plywood

③ steel

④ PH wood

⑤ aluminum alloy

⑥ titanium



Core material may be :- ⑦ Synthetic rubber  
⑧ balsa wood

- Core consist of a "Honeycomb" structure thin foils  
↓  
formed ~~are~~ into  
(interlocking hexagonal cell)

- Honey Comb are formed by interlocking Hexagonal Cell  
and  
with axes oriented per to the face plane

- Honey Comb material Normally either aluminum alloy  
or aramid polymer

- Stiffness and Strength depend upon  
cell size , cell wall thickness

- application of  
sandwich panel

roofs , floors and wall of building ,

aeroplanes and aircraft ( for wings, fuselage and  
tail-plane skin )



## # Conducting polymers:

- A polymers which are conduct electricity is called conducting polymer or
- They can be made conductive by doping with an electron donor and electron acceptor
- They have extended P-orbital system through which electrons can move from one end of the polymer to the other.
- e.g Polyacetylene • polyaniline etc.
- There are following type of Conducting polymer.
  - (1) Intrinsically conducting polymer (ICP)
  - (2) Extrinsicly conducting polymer (ECP)
  - (3) Doped conducting polymer (DCP)
  - (4) Co-ordination conducting polymer (CCP)

## Application:

- (1) Rechargeable batteries
- (2) Solar cells
- (3) photovoltaic cells
- (4) Antistatic coating
- (5) Sensors
- (6) transistor
- (7) optical fibres

## Nonowires :-

- Nonowires are defined the Structure which have the diameter order of a nanometer
- These also called quantum wires  $\rightarrow$  { they have different quantum mechanics effect
- There are different types of Nonowire

Carbon nanowire,

molecular nanowires,

metallic nanowires

## Application

- They are useful in digital Computing
- They are also use to prepare electrical component like P-n junction, logic gates
- High-density data storage.



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Nano material

$10^{-9}$

one-billionth of a meter

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→ As material with at least one dimension between 1nm to 100nm are known as Nano material

### Properties of Nanomaterial

(1) Surface to volume ratio :-

— They have a high surface area compared to their volume

them highly reactive

and useful for catalysis

Bulk material

to Nano material

(2) The opaque substance become transparent

(3) Material when reduced to nanosize

display

very different properties

(4) Melting point :-

Nano material → often → lower m.p  
due to their size

which can be advantageous in specific application

(5) electrical behaviour :-

depending on their

size

composition

nanomaterial

can be improved electrical conductivity

## Types of Nanomaterial

### (1) Nanocluster

- A nanocluster is a tiny group of atom or molecule usually ranging from few to 700 nm in size

- Nanocluster exhibit unique properties.

- They have a

⊕ High Surface to volume ratio

⊕ lower m.p

↳ as compared to Bulk material

- ⊕ display varying electrical behaviour → due their size and composition

atom

molecule

cluster

### (2) Nanorods

- A Nanorods are extremely small rod-shaped structure at the nanoscale.

- Nanorods exhibit unique properties

- They have a

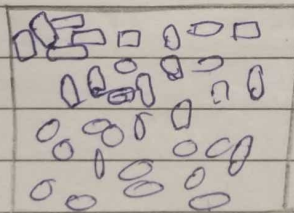
⊕ High Surface to volume ratio

different m.p

↳ as compared to Bulk material

- electrical behaviour of nanorods can vary depending on their

composition and dimension





cylinder <sup>made from</sup>  
one or more

layer of graphene

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### (3) Nanotubes

- A Nanotube is an extremely small <sup>tube-shaped</sup> tube-shaped structure, usually at the form  $< 1 \mu m$  to  $50 nm$

- It can be made of different material like as carbon.

- Carbon nanotube is a tube-shaped <sup>material</sup> structure, made up of carbon, having diameter ranging from  $< 1 \mu m$  to  $50 nm$

(\*) Carbon Nanotube show a unique combination

Stiffness

Strength

tenacity

as compared to

other fibre material

- as high Thermal and electrical conductivity as compared to other conductive material

Carbon nanotube  $\rightarrow$  Single-wall nanotube (SWNT)  
 $\rightarrow$  These may be zigzag

multi-wall nanotube  
MWNT

$\rightarrow$  It consist several

Single walled nanotube

with different diameter

arm chair

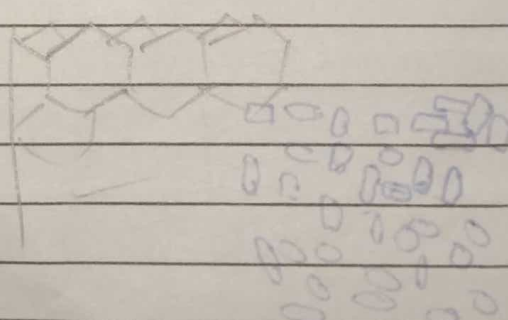
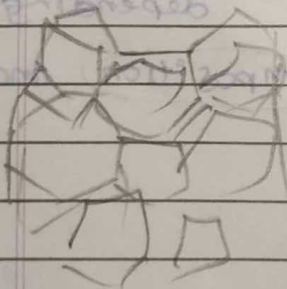
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Graphene

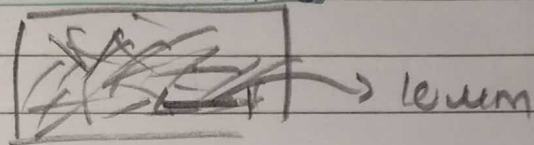
Sheet are rolled



### Application:

- Nanotube can potentially replace Indium tin oxide in solar cells to generate photocurrent
- [SWNT] → used in transistor and solar panel
- [MWCNT] → used in Lithium ion batteries  
↳ To increase cycle life
- [Parallel CNT] → used to create loudspeakers
- [CNT] → used to produce nanowires

### (4) Nanowire



- Nanowires is an extremely thin wire-shape structure with a diameter on the order of Nanometer (1 to 100 nm)
- It is also called quantum wire  
↳ They have different quantum mechanical effects
- Type  
    Carbon Nanowire  
    Molecular Nanowire  
    Metallic Nanowire

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