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# Advanced composites in engineering structures

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# Exercise 1

**Given material elastic properties calculate lamina reduced stiffness and compliance matrix.**

Material properties

$$E_1 = 140 \text{ GPa}$$

$$E_2 = 10 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\nu_{12} = 0.3$$

$$G_{12} = 5 \text{ GPa}$$

# Theoretical background

Constitutive equation

$$\varepsilon = S \sigma$$

$$\sigma = Q \varepsilon$$

$$Q = S^{-1}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \varepsilon_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} & 0 \\ S_{21} & S_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & S_{66} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ \sigma_2 \\ \sigma_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ \sigma_2 \\ \sigma_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{11} & Q_{12} & 0 \\ Q_{21} & Q_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Q_{66} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \varepsilon_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Solution

## Compliance components

$$S_{11} = 1 / E_1$$

$$S_{22} = 1 / E_2$$

$$S_{12} = -\nu_{12} / E_1$$

$$S_{21} = -\nu_{21} / E_2$$

$$S_{66} = 1 / G_{12}$$

## Simmetry

$$S_{12} = S_{21}$$

$$\nu_{21} = \nu_{12} * E_2 / E_1$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 0.00714 & -0.00214 & 0 \\ -0.00214 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (GPa}^{-1}\text{)}$$

## Stiffness components

$$Q_{11} = E_1 / \beta$$

$$Q_{11} = E_2 / \beta$$

$$\beta = 1 / (1 - \nu_{12} * \nu_{21})$$

$$Q_{12} = -E_1 * \nu_{12} / \beta$$

$$Q_{66} = G_{12}$$

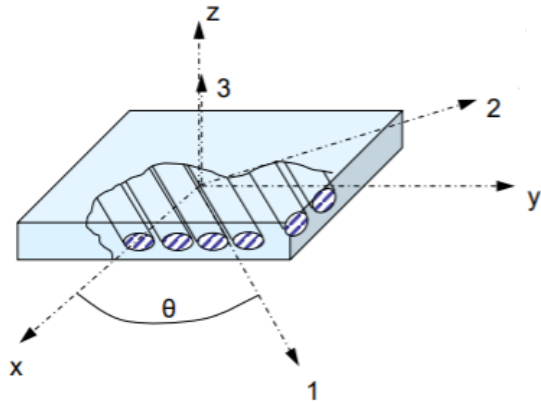
## Simmetry

$$Q_{12} = Q_{21}$$

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 140.9 & 3.02 & 0 \\ 3.02 & 10.07 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (GPa)}$$

# Exercise 2

**Given material elastic properties calculate lamina reduced compliance and stiffness matrix in a rotated reference system.**



$$\begin{aligned}\theta &= 30^\circ \\ m &= \cos \theta \\ n &= \sin \theta\end{aligned}$$

Material properties

$$E_1 = 140 \text{ GPa}$$

$$E_2 = 10 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\nu_{12} = 0.3$$

$$G_{12} = 5 \text{ GPa}$$

# Theoretical background

$$\begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_x \\ \epsilon_y \\ \epsilon_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{xx} & S_{xy} & S_{xs} \\ S_{xy} & S_{yy} & S_{ys} \\ S_{xs} & S_{ys} & S_{ss} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x \\ \sigma_y \\ \sigma_s \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x \\ \sigma_y \\ \sigma_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{xx} & Q_{xy} & Q_{xs} \\ Q_{xy} & Q_{yy} & Q_{ys} \\ Q_{xs} & Q_{ys} & Q_{ss} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_x \\ \epsilon_y \\ \epsilon_s \end{bmatrix}$$

**Terms in position 1-3 and 2-3 appears, now shear and tensile stresses and strains are coupled**

# Compliance matrix solution

## Rotation matrix solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} S_{xx} & S_{xy} & S_{xs} \\ S_{xy} & S_{yy} & S_{ys} \\ S_{xs} & S_{ys} & S_{ss} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m^2 & n^2 & -mn \\ n^2 & m^2 & mn \\ 2mn & -2mn & m^2-n^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} & 0 \\ S_{12} & S_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & S_{66} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} m^2 & n^2 & -mn \\ n^2 & m^2 & mn \\ 2mn & -2mn & m^2-n^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Hard coded solution

$$S_{xx} = S_{11}m^4 + m^2n^2(2S_{12} + S_{66}) + S_{22}n^4$$

$$S_{xy} = m^2n^2(S_{11} + S_{22} - S_{66}) + S_{12}(m^4 + n^4)$$

$$S_{yy} = S_{11}n^4 + m^2n^2(2S_{12} + S_{66}) + S_{22}m^4$$

$$S_{ys} = mn[2S_{11}n^2 - 2S_{22}m^2 + (2S_{12} + S_{66})(m^2 - n^2)]$$

$$S_{xs} = mn[2S_{11}m^2 - 2S_{22}n^2 - (2S_{12} + S_{66})(m^2 - n^2)]$$

$$S_{ss} = 2(2S_{11} + 2S_{22} - 4S_{12})m^2n^2 + S_{66}(m^2 - n^2)^2$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0470 & -0.00214 & -0.0594 \\ -0.0188 & 0.0934 & -0.0210 \\ -0.0594 & -0.0210 & 0.1336 \end{bmatrix} (\text{GPa}^{-1})$$

# Stiffness matrix solution

## Rotation matrix solution

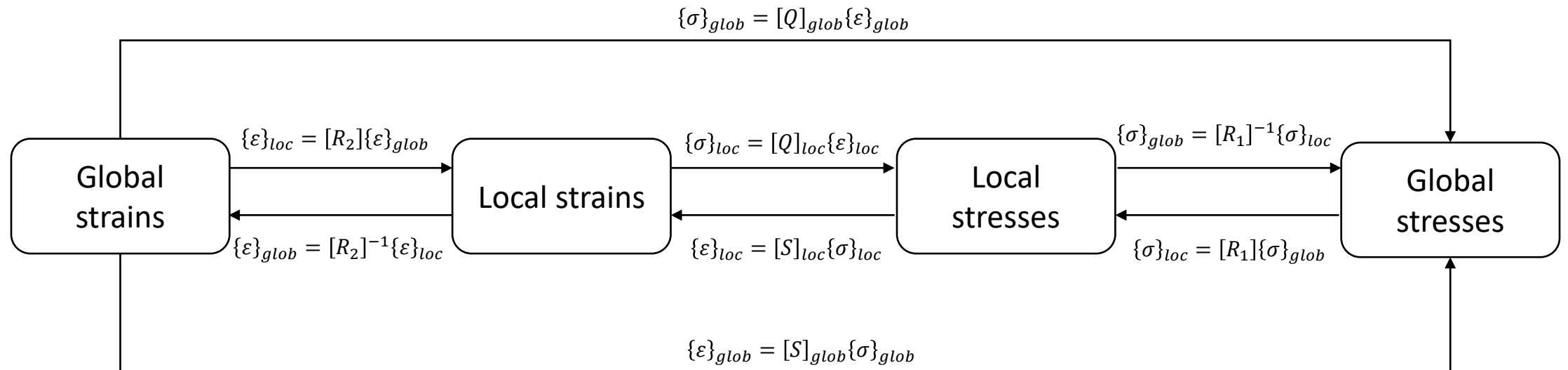
$$\begin{bmatrix} Q_{xx} & Q_{xy} & Q_{xs} \\ Q_{xy} & Q_{yy} & Q_{ys} \\ Q_{xs} & Q_{ys} & Q_{ss} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m^2 & n^2 & -2mn \\ n^2 & m^2 & 2mn \\ mn & -mn & m^2-n^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Q_{11} & Q_{12} & 0 \\ Q_{12} & Q_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Q_{66} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} m^2 & n^2 & mn \\ n^2 & m^2 & -mn \\ -2mn & 2mn & m^2-n^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Hard coded solution

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{xx} &= Q_{11}m^4 + 2(Q_{12} + 2Q_{66})m^2n^2 + Q_{22}n^4 \\ Q_{xy} &= (Q_{11} + Q_{22} - 4Q_{66})m^2n^2 + Q_{12}m^4 + n^4 \\ Q_{yy} &= Q_{11}n^4 + 2(Q_{12} + 2Q_{66})m^2n^2 + Q_{22}m^4 \\ Q_{xs} &= (Q_{11} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66})nm^3 + (Q_{22} - Q_{12} + 2Q_{66})n^3m \\ Q_{ys} &= (Q_{11} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66})mn^3 + (Q_{22} - Q_{12} + 2Q_{66})m^3n \\ Q_{ss} &= (Q_{11} + Q_{22} - 2Q_{12} - 2Q_{66})n^2m^2 + Q_{66}n^4 + m^4 \end{aligned}$$

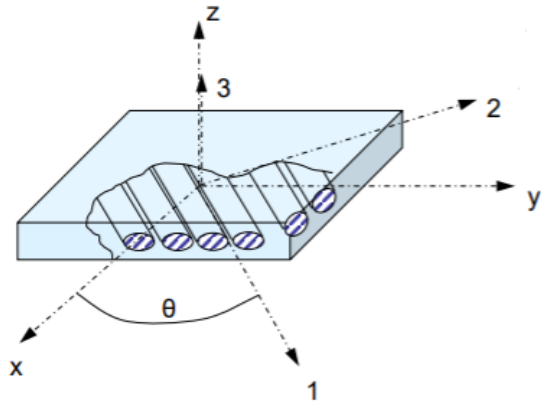
$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 84.77 & 26.44 & 41.85 \\ 26.44 & 19.35 & 14.80 \\ 41.85 & 14.80 & 28.42 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (GPa)}$$

# Stress and strain from global to local and viceversa workflow



# Exercise 3

Given strain vector characterizing a lamina oriented at  $60^\circ$  calculate lamina local and global stresses.



$$\begin{aligned}\theta &= 60^\circ \\ m &= \cos \theta \\ n &= \sin \theta\end{aligned}$$

Material properties  
 $E_1 = 140 \text{ GPa}$   
 $E_2 = 10 \text{ GPa}$   
 $\nu_{12} = 0.3$   
 $G_{12} = 5 \text{ GPa}$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon_x \\ \varepsilon_y \\ \varepsilon_s \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} -5050 \mu\varepsilon \\ 388 \mu\varepsilon \\ 0 \mu\varepsilon \end{Bmatrix}$$

## Calculate local strains with rotation matrix

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \varepsilon_6 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m^2 & n^2 & mn \\ n^2 & m^2 & -mn \\ 2mn & -2mn & m^2-n^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon_x \\ \varepsilon_y \\ \varepsilon_s \end{Bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \varepsilon_6 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} -971 \mu\varepsilon \\ -3690 \mu\varepsilon \\ 4709 \mu\varepsilon \end{Bmatrix}$$

## Calculate local stresses with constitutive equation

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ \sigma_2 \\ \sigma_6 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{11} & Q_{12} & 0 \\ Q_{21} & Q_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Q_{66} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \varepsilon_6 \end{Bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{Bmatrix} -148 \\ -40 \\ 23.5 \end{Bmatrix} \text{ (MPa)} = \begin{bmatrix} 140.9 & 3.02 & 0 \\ 3.02 & 10.07 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (GPa)} \begin{Bmatrix} -971 \mu\varepsilon \\ -3690 \mu\varepsilon \\ 4709 \mu\varepsilon \end{Bmatrix}$$

## Calculate global stresses with rotation matrix

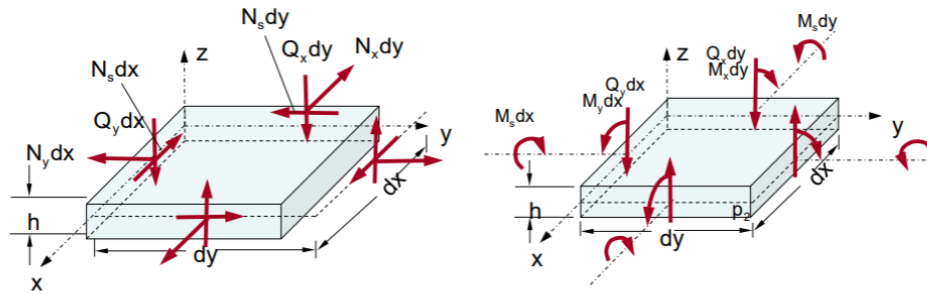
$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x \\ \sigma_y \\ \sigma_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m^2 & n^2 & -2mn \\ n^2 & m^2 & 2mn \\ mn & -mn & m^2-n^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ \sigma_2 \\ \sigma_6 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x \\ \sigma_y \\ \sigma_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -87.5 \\ -100.6 \\ -58.5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (MPa)}$$

## Alternative solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x \\ \sigma_y \\ \sigma_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{xx} & Q_{xy} & Q_{xs} \\ Q_{xy} & Q_{yy} & Q_{ys} \\ Q_{xs} & Q_{ys} & Q_{ss} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_x \\ \epsilon_y \\ \epsilon_s \end{bmatrix}$$

**Stresses in local and global reference frame can be significantly different, be sure to be in the local one before evaluating failure criterion**

# CLT basic formulas



$$\begin{Bmatrix} N \\ M \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_0 \\ \kappa \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 + z \kappa$$

- N = force resultants per unit length
- M = moment resultants per unit length
- $\epsilon_0$  = midplane strains
- $\kappa$  = midplane curvature

$$\begin{Bmatrix} N_x \\ N_y \\ N_s \\ M_x \\ M_y \\ M_s \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{xx} & A_{xz} & A_{xs} & B_{xx} & B_{xy} & B_{xs} \\ A_{xy} & A_{yy} & A_{ys} & B_{xy} & B_{yy} & B_{ys} \\ A_{xs} & A_{ys} & A_{ss} & B_{xs} & B_{ys} & B_{ss} \\ B_{xx} & B_{xy} & B_{xs} & D_{xx} & D_{xy} & D_{xs} \\ B_{xy} & B_{yy} & B_{ys} & D_{xy} & D_{yy} & D_{ys} \\ B_{xs} & B_{ys} & B_{ss} & D_{xs} & D_{ys} & D_{ss} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_{x0} \\ \epsilon_{y0} \\ \epsilon_{s0} \\ \kappa_x \\ \kappa_y \\ \kappa_s \end{Bmatrix}$$

# Exercise 4

**Given a laminate with a stacking sequence of  $[80/50]_s$ , lamina elastic properties are given. Calculate A, B, D matrices.**

Material properties

$$E_1 = 140 \text{ GPa}$$

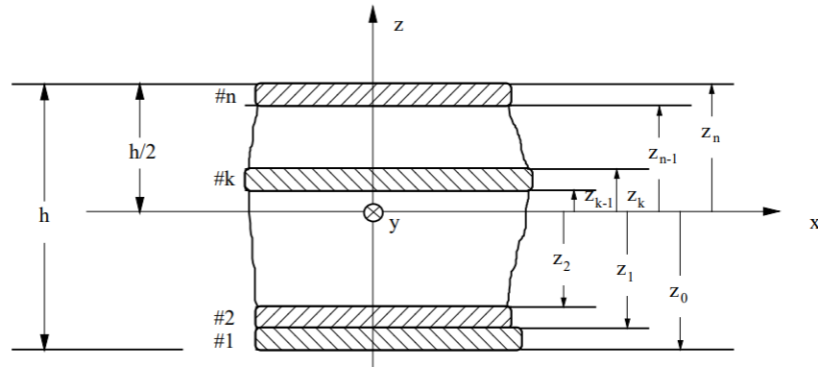
$$E_2 = 10 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\nu_{12} = 0.3$$

$$G_{12} = 5 \text{ GPa}$$

$$t = 0.125 \text{ mm}$$

## Stacking sequence definition



| Layer   | Start          | End            | Angle |
|---------|----------------|----------------|-------|
| Layer 4 | $z_3 = 0.125$  | $z_4 = 0.250$  | 80    |
| Layer 3 | $z_2 = 0.0$    | $z_3 = 0.125$  | 50    |
| Layer 2 | $z_1 = -0.125$ | $z_2 = 0.0$    | 50    |
| Layer 1 | $z_0 = -0.250$ | $z_1 = -0.125$ | 80    |

## Rotate reduced stiffness matrix of different orientations

$$Q_{80} = \begin{bmatrix} 10.4 & 6.7 & 1.15 \\ 6.7 & 133.3 & 21.2 \\ 1.15 & 21.2 & 8.65 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (GPa)}$$

$$Q_{50} = \begin{bmatrix} 33.8 & 33.3 & 26.9 \\ 33.3 & 56.5 & 37.5 \\ 26.9 & 37.5 & 35.3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (GPa)}$$

## ABD matrix construction

$$A = \sum_{k=0}^n Q^k (z_k - z_{k+1}) \quad (\text{F/L}) \quad B = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n Q^k (z_k^2 - z_{k+1}^2) \quad (\text{F}) \quad D = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=0}^n Q^k (z_k^3 - z_{k+1}^3) \quad (\text{FL})$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11.05 & 10 & 7 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 10 & 47.4 & 14.7 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 14.7 & 11 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.14 & 0.10 & 0.05 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.10 & 133.3 & 0.24 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.05 & 21.2 & 0.12 \end{bmatrix}$$

The laminate we are considering is symmetric



Coupling matrix is zero! The laminate is *'decoupled'*

# Exercise 5

**Given a laminate with a stacking sequence of [45/-45/45/-45]. Lamina elastic properties are given. Calculate A, B, D matrices.**

Material properties

$$E_1 = 140 \text{ GPa}$$

$$E_2 = 10 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\nu_{12} = 0.3$$

$$G_{12} = 5 \text{ GPa}$$

$$t = 0.125 \text{ mm}$$

## Stacking sequence definition

| Layer   | Start          | End            | Angle |
|---------|----------------|----------------|-------|
| Layer 4 | $z_3 = 0.125$  | $z_4 = 0.250$  | -45   |
| Layer 3 | $z_2 = 0.0$    | $z_3 = 0.125$  | 45    |
| Layer 2 | $z_1 = -0.125$ | $z_2 = 0.0$    | -45   |
| Layer 1 | $z_0 = -0.250$ | $z_1 = -0.125$ | 45    |

## Rotate reduced stiffness matrix of different orientations

$$Q_{45} = \begin{bmatrix} 44.2 & 34.2 & 32.7 \\ 34.2 & 44.2 & 32.7 \\ 32.7 & 32.7 & 36.2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (GPa)}$$

$$Q_{-45} = \begin{bmatrix} 44.2 & 34.2 & 32.7 \\ 34.2 & 44.2 & 32.7 \\ 32.7 & 32.7 & 36.2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (GPa)}$$

- $Q_{xx}$  and  $Q_{yy}$  are the same for both orientations
- $Q_{ss}$  is maximized at 45 degrees
- $Q_{xy}$  is the same for both orientations
- $Q_{xz}$  and  $Q_{yz}$  are the same for both orientations
- $Q_{xz}$  and  $Q_{yz}$  differ for only a minus comparing the two angles

## ABD matrix construction

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 22.1 & 17.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1.0 \\ 17.1 & 22.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1.0 \\ 0 & 0 & 18.1 & -1.0 & -1.0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1.0 & 0.46 & 0.36 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1.0 & 0.36 & 0.46 & 0 \\ -1.0 & -1.0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.38 \end{bmatrix}$$

The laminate we are considering is not only balanced but also antisymmetric.



$A_{xs}, A_{ys}, D_{xs}, D_{ys} = 0$

# Exercise 6

**Consider a laminate with a stacking sequence of [0/90] with lamina made of T300/5208 and subjected to a temperature change of -75°. Calculate the residual stresses at the top face of the 90° layer.**

Material properties

$$E_1 = 181 \text{ GPa}$$

$$E_2 = 10.3 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\nu_{12} = 0.28$$

$$G_{12} = 7.17 \text{ GPa}$$

$$t = 0.5 \text{ mm}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 \times 10^{-7} \\ 0.225 \times 10^{-4} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1/^\circ\text{C})$$

## Stacking sequence definition

| Layer   | Start        | End         | Angle |
|---------|--------------|-------------|-------|
| Layer 2 | $z_1 = 0.0$  | $z_2 = 0.5$ | 90    |
| Layer 1 | $z_0 = -0.5$ | $z_1 = 0.0$ | 0     |

## Theoretical background

$$\begin{aligned}
 N^T &= \sum_{k=0}^n Q^k (z_k - z_{k+1}) \alpha^k \\
 M^T &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n Q^k (z_k^2 - z_{k+1}^2) \alpha^k
 \end{aligned}
 \quad
 \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x \\ \alpha_y \\ \alpha_s \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix} m^2 & n^2 & -2mn \\ n^2 & m^2 & 2mn \\ mn & -mn & m^2 - n^2 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Thermal loads calculation

$$\begin{bmatrix} N_x^T \\ N_y^T \\ N_s^T \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix} -1.31 \times 10^{-7} \\ -1.31 \times 10^{-7} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}
 \quad (\text{N/m})
 \quad
 \begin{bmatrix} M_x^T \\ M_y^T \\ M_s^T \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix} -1.54 \times 10^2 \\ -1.54 \times 10^2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}
 \quad (\text{N})$$

## CLT solution

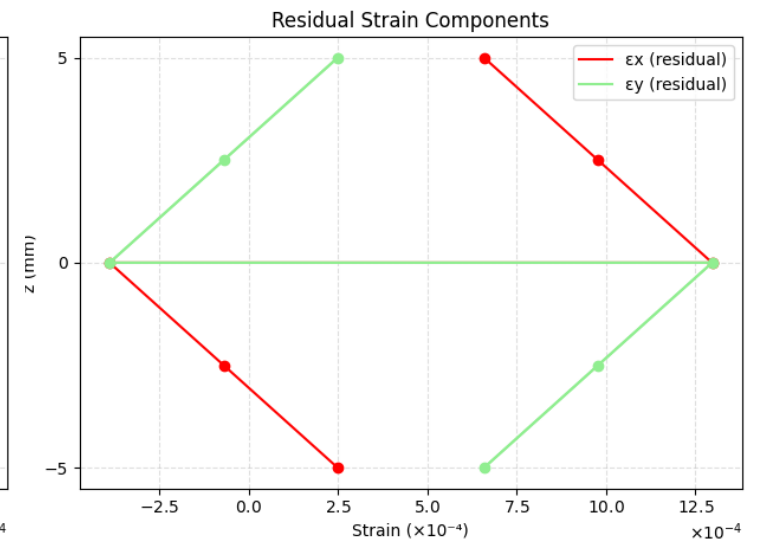
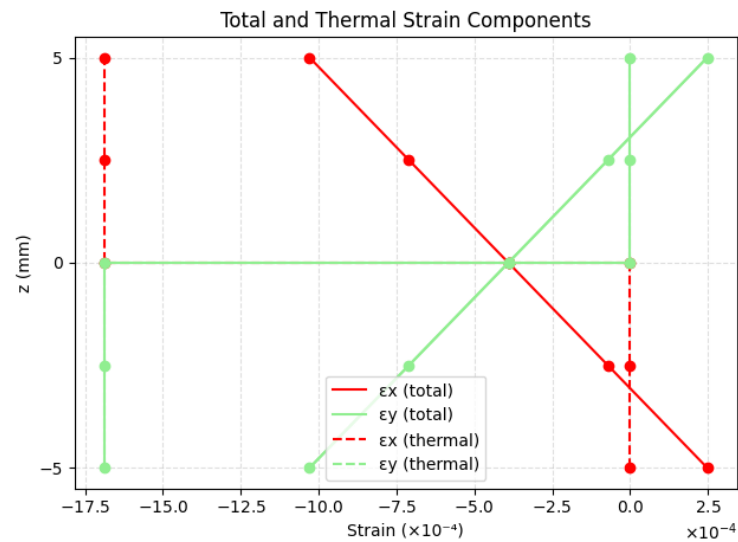
$$\begin{Bmatrix} N \\ M \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_0 \\ \kappa \end{Bmatrix} \quad \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_{x0} \\ \epsilon_{y0} \\ \epsilon_{s0} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} -3.91 \times 10^{-4} \\ -3.91 \times 10^{-4} \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \quad \begin{Bmatrix} \kappa_x \\ \kappa_y \\ \kappa_s \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} -1.28 \times 10^{-1} \\ 1.28 \times 10^{-1} \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \quad (1/m)$$

## Theoretical background and results

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 + z \kappa \quad \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_x^T \\ \epsilon_y^T \\ \epsilon_s^T \end{Bmatrix} = \Delta T \begin{Bmatrix} \alpha_x \\ \alpha_y \\ \alpha_s \end{Bmatrix}$$

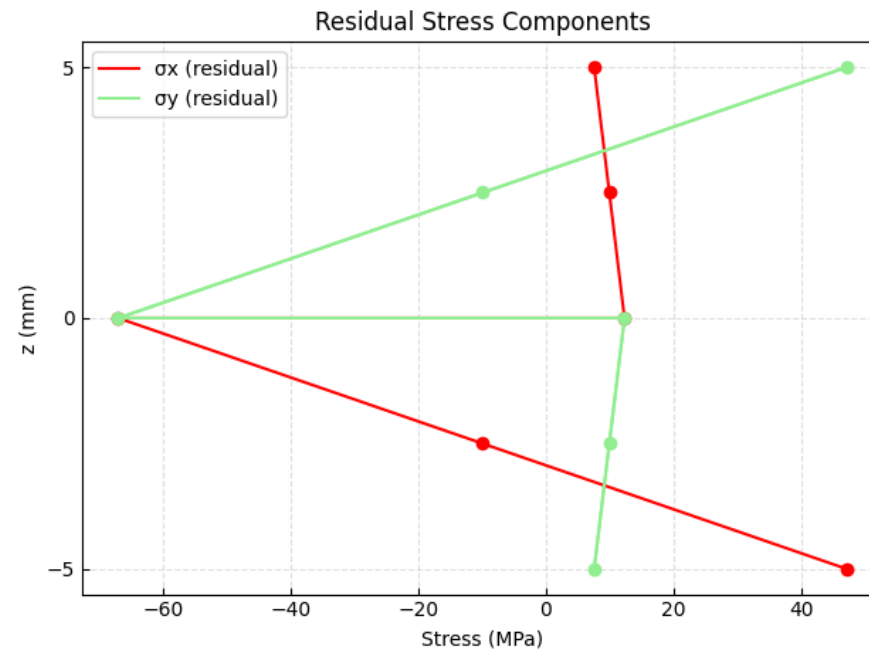


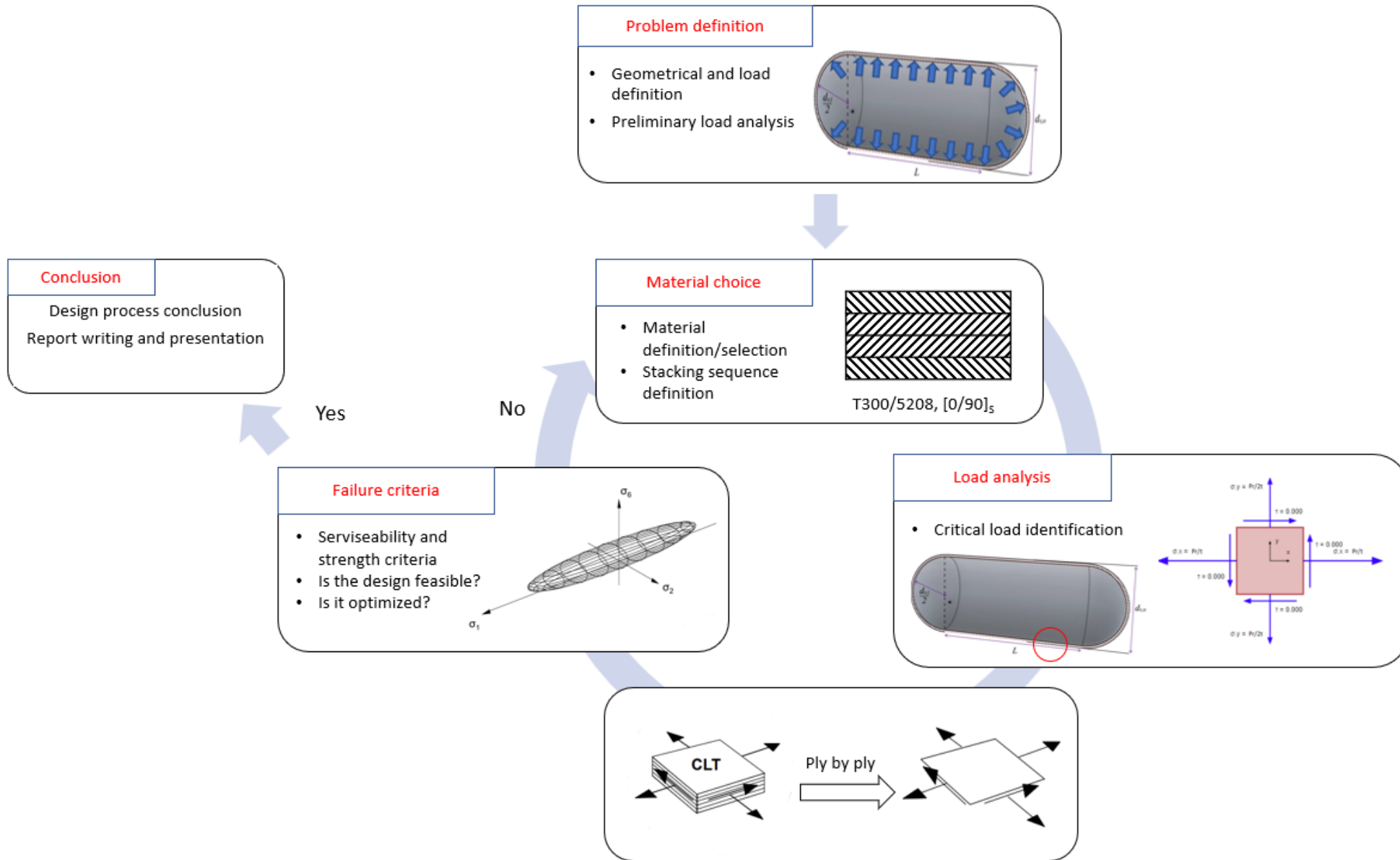
$$\begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_x^r \\ \epsilon_y^r \\ \epsilon_s^r \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_x \\ \epsilon_y \\ \epsilon_s \end{Bmatrix} - \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_x^T \\ \epsilon_y^T \\ \epsilon_s^T \end{Bmatrix}$$



## Residual stresses calculation

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x^r \\ \sigma_y^r \\ \sigma_s^r \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{xx} & Q_{xy} & Q_{xs} \\ Q_{xy} & Q_{yy} & Q_{ys} \\ Q_{xs} & Q_{ys} & Q_{ss} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_x^r \\ \varepsilon_y^r \\ \varepsilon_s^r \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x^r \\ \sigma_y^r \\ \sigma_s^r \end{bmatrix}_{90^\circ, \text{top}} = \begin{bmatrix} 7.5 \\ 47.2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (Mpa)}$$





# Exercise 7

Consider the idealized model of a bridge proposed in the picture. Calculate stresses in the global reference frame for each ply and the maximum deflection in the load direction. Compare the results obtained with two different stacking sequences.

Stacking sequences

$[0_4/90_4]_s$

$[(0/90)_4]_s$

Material properties

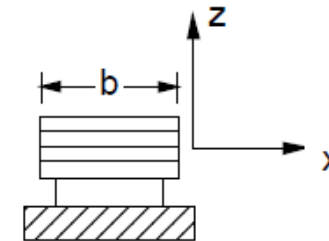
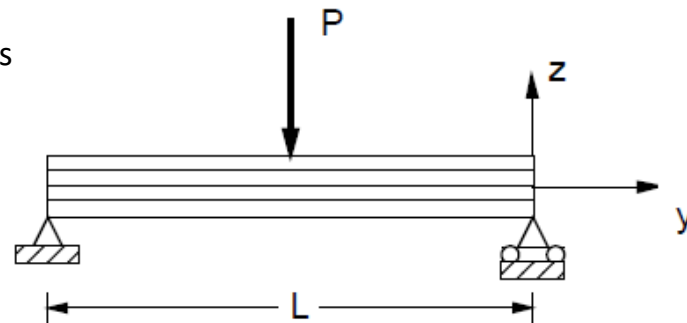
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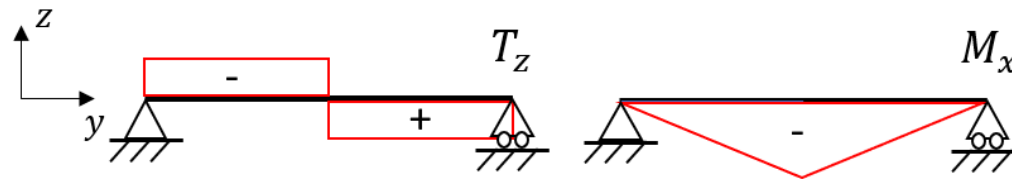


| Property | Value  |
|----------|--------|
| P        | 100 N  |
| L        | 0.1 m  |
| b        | 0.01 m |

## Stacking sequence definition

| Layer     | Start            | End              | Angle [1] | Angle [2] |
|-----------|------------------|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Layer 16  | $z_{15} = 0.875$ | $z_{16} = 1.000$ | 0         | 0         |
| Layer 15  | $z_{14} = 0.750$ | $z_{15} = 0.875$ | 0         | 90        |
| Layer 14  | $z_{13} = 0.625$ | $z_{14} = 0.750$ | 0         | 0         |
| Layer 13  | $z_{12} = 0.500$ | $z_{13} = 0.625$ | 0         | 90        |
| Layer 12  | $z_{11} = 0.375$ | $z_{12} = 0.500$ | 90        | 0         |
| Layer 11  | $z_{10} = 0.250$ | $z_{11} = 0.375$ | 90        | 90        |
| Layer 10  | $z_9 = 0.125$    | $z_{10} = 0.250$ | 90        | 0         |
| Layer 9   | $z_8 = 0.0$      | $z_9 = 0.125$    | 90        | 90        |
| SYMMETRIC |                  |                  |           |           |

## Load analysis



**The critical point is the middle section of the composite beam,  
At that point both bending moment and vertical displacement reaches their  
maximum**

## From load to CLT

$$M = -\frac{PL}{4} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{bmatrix} M_x \\ M_y \\ M_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} M/b \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

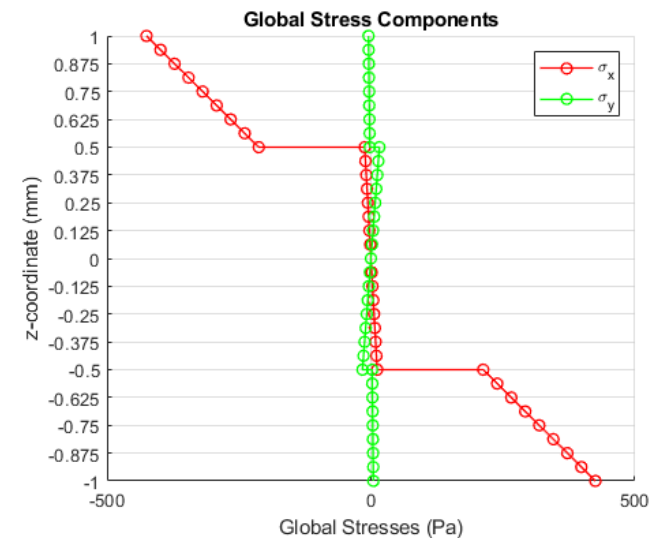
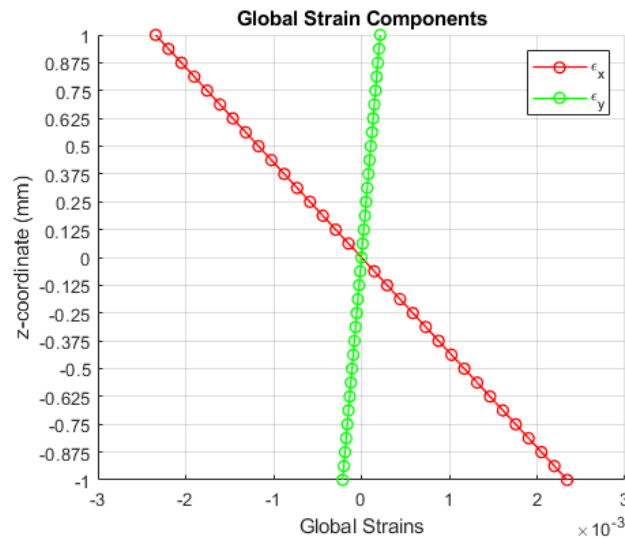
$$\begin{bmatrix} \cancel{N} \\ M \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & \cancel{B} \\ \cancel{B} & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_0 \\ \kappa \end{bmatrix} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{bmatrix} M \\ \kappa \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} D \\ D' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \kappa \\ M \end{bmatrix}$$

Do you expect any particular property from the D matrix of the two considered laminate?

## Laminate 1

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 106.92 & 1.93 & 0 \\ 1.93 & 21.19 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4.78 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{Nm})$$

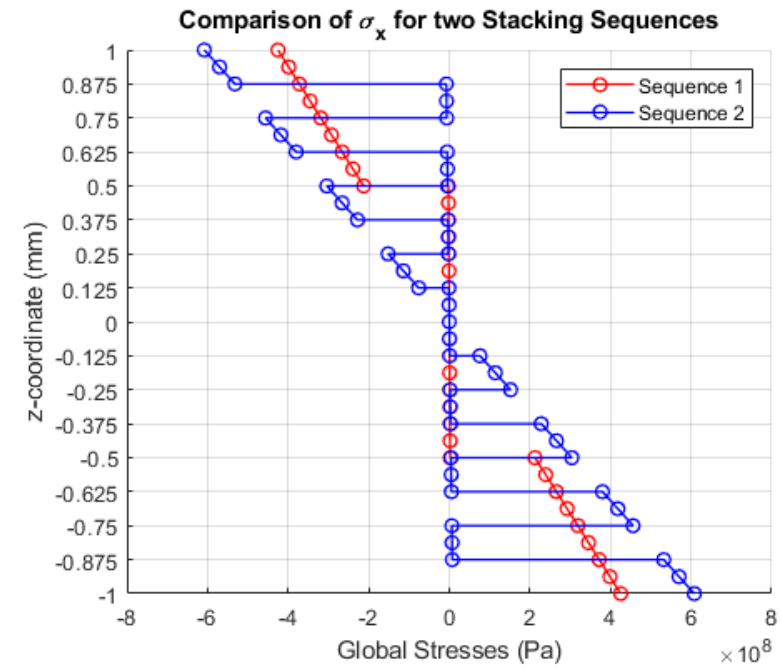
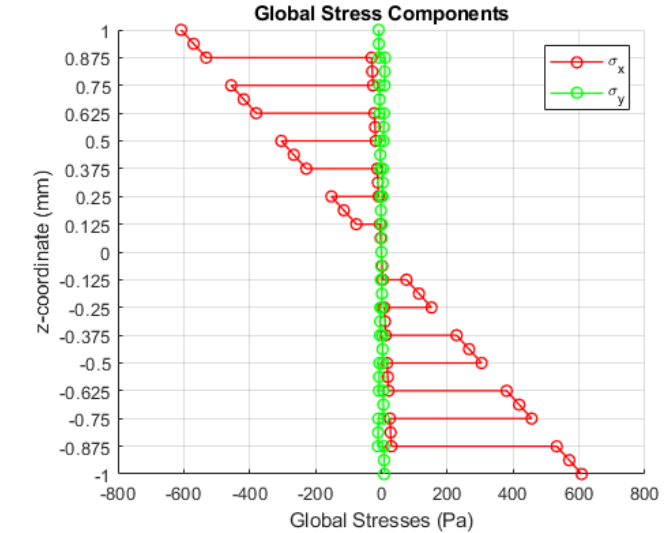
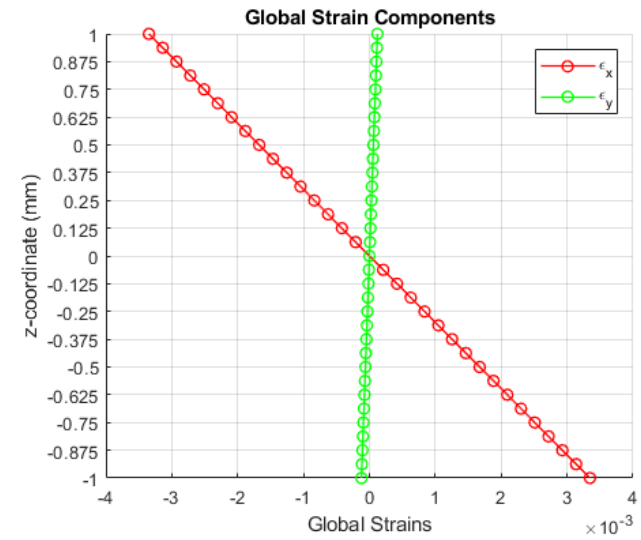
$$D' = \begin{bmatrix} 9.4 \times 10^{-3} & -8.54 \times 10^{-4} & 0 \\ -8.54 \times 10^{-4} & 4.7 \times 10^{-2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2.1 \times 10^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \quad (1/\text{Nm})$$



# Laminate 2

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 74.77 & 1.93 & 0 \\ 1.93 & 53.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4.78 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (Nm)}$$

$$D' = \begin{bmatrix} 1.3 \times 10^{-2} & -4.8 \times 10^{-4} & 0 \\ -4.8 \times 10^{-4} & 1.9 \times 10^{-2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2.1 \times 10^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \text{ (1/Nm)}$$



## Maximum displacement, theoretical background

$$\delta_{max} = \frac{PL^3}{48E_x J}$$
$$J = \frac{bh^3}{12} \quad \text{with } h = \text{total thickness of the laminate}$$
$$E_{xf} = \frac{12}{D_{11}' h^3}$$

## Maximum displacement, calculations

$$E_{xf1} = 1280.9 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\delta_{max1} = 0.02 \text{ m}$$

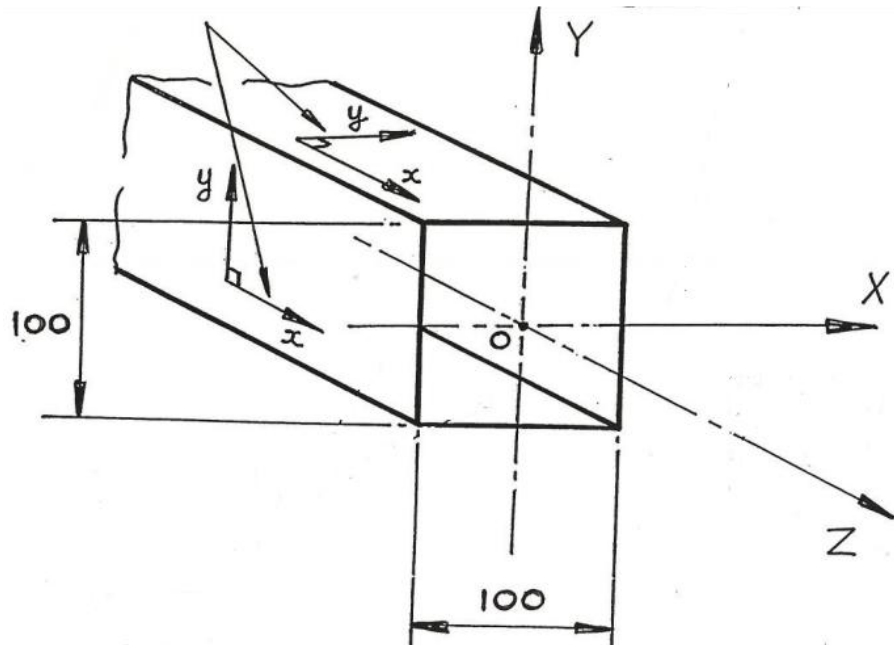
$$E_{xf2} = 896.4 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\delta_{max2} = 0.028 \text{ m}$$

**Laminate 1 give a lower maximum displacement value. Why?**

# Exercise 8

A thin-walled composite box beam is subjected to a torque  $T$  and a bending moment  $M_x$ . The walls of the composite box are of symmetric lay-up configuration of  $[0/90/+45/-45]_s$ . Find the most stressed ply using Tsai-Wu failure index.



Material properties

$$E_1 = 140 \text{ GPa}$$

$$E_2 = 10 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\nu_{12} = 0.3$$

$$G_{12} = 5 \text{ GPa}$$

$$X_t = 1500 \text{ MPa}$$

$$Y_t = 1500 \text{ MPa}$$

$$X_c = 40 \text{ MPa}$$

$$Y_c = 246 \text{ MPa}$$

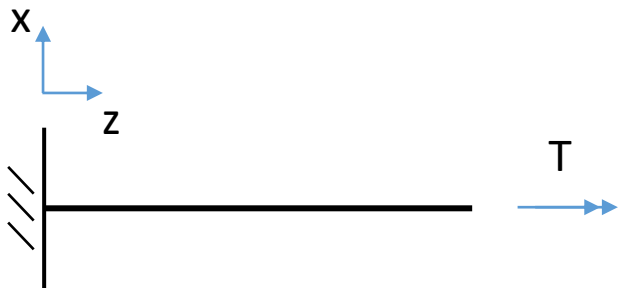
$$S = 68 \text{ MPa}$$

| Loads & geometry | Value   |
|------------------|---------|
| $T$              | 10 kNmm |
| $M_x$            | 15 kNmm |
| $L$              | 100mm   |

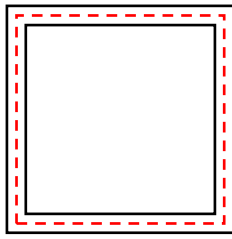
## Stacking sequence definition

| Layer     | Start         | End           | Angle |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|-------|
| Layer 8   | $z_7 = 0.375$ | $z_8 = 0.5$   | 0     |
| Layer 7   | $z_6 = 0.25$  | $z_7 = 0.375$ | 90    |
| Layer 6   | $z_5 = 0.125$ | $z_6 = 0.25$  | 45    |
| Layer 5   | $z_0 = 0.0$   | $z_5 = 0.125$ | -45   |
| Symmetric |               |               |       |

## Load analysis, torsion problem



Bredt theory

$$\tau = \frac{T}{2Ah}$$


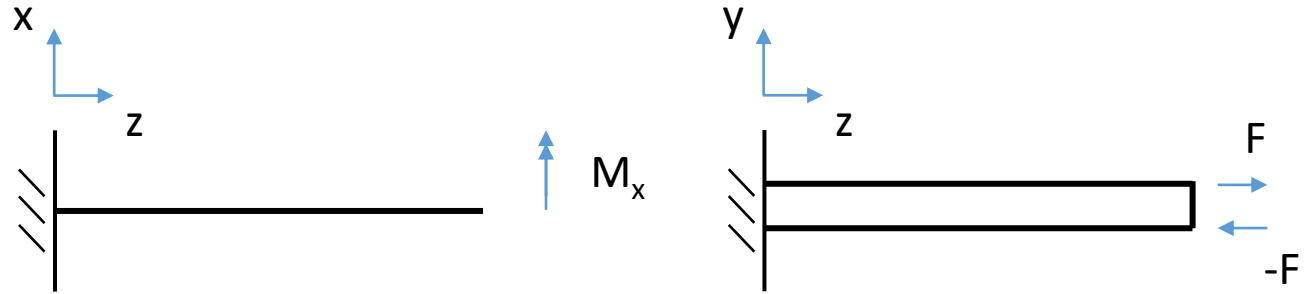
T = torque  
A = area inside the mean line  
h = laminate thickness

$$\begin{bmatrix} N_x \\ N_y \\ N_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \tau * h \end{bmatrix}$$

## Load analysis, bending problem

The bending moment is decomposed in 2 forces that give the same effect

$$M_x = F * L$$



### Upper ply

$$\begin{bmatrix} N_x \\ N_y \\ N_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F/h \\ 0 \\ \tau * h \end{bmatrix}$$

### Lower ply

$$\begin{bmatrix} N_x \\ N_y \\ N_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -F/h \\ 0 \\ \tau * h \end{bmatrix}$$

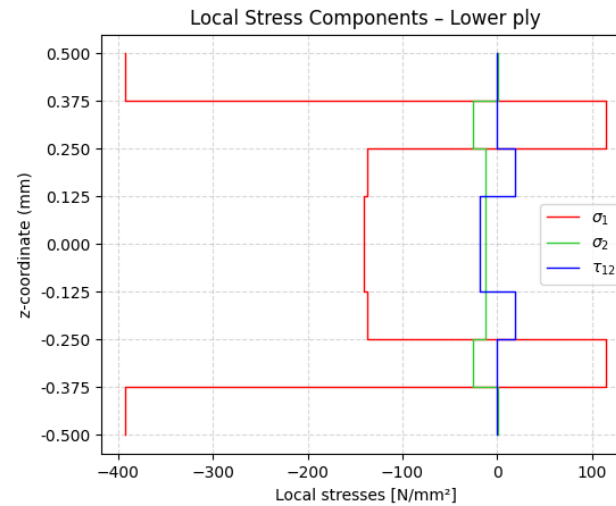
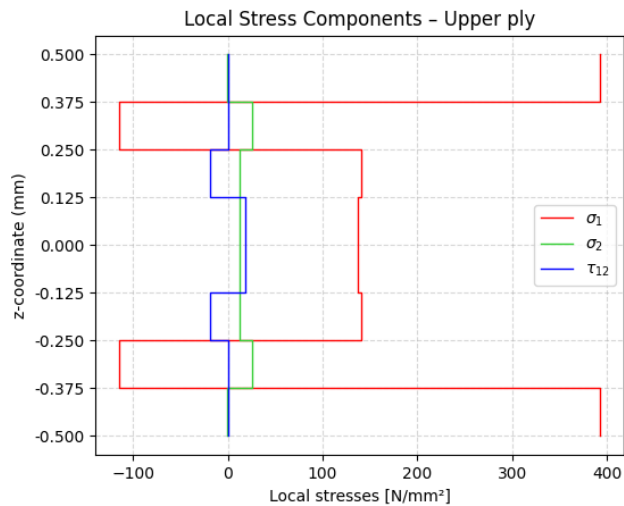
**Forget about torsion now, do you have alternative design solutions? The simplifications we have made is conservative or not?**

## CLT analysis

$$\begin{Bmatrix} N \\ M \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & \cancel{B} \\ \cancel{B} & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_0 \\ \kappa \end{Bmatrix} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{Bmatrix} N \\ \epsilon_0 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A \\ A' \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_0 \\ N \end{Bmatrix}$$

I expect a step evolution of both local and global stresses and strain components ply by ply

## Stress analysis



The most stressed ply are the ones oriented at 0°, which are the external ones, in the upper part of the beam. This was predictable since are the one oriented as the load!

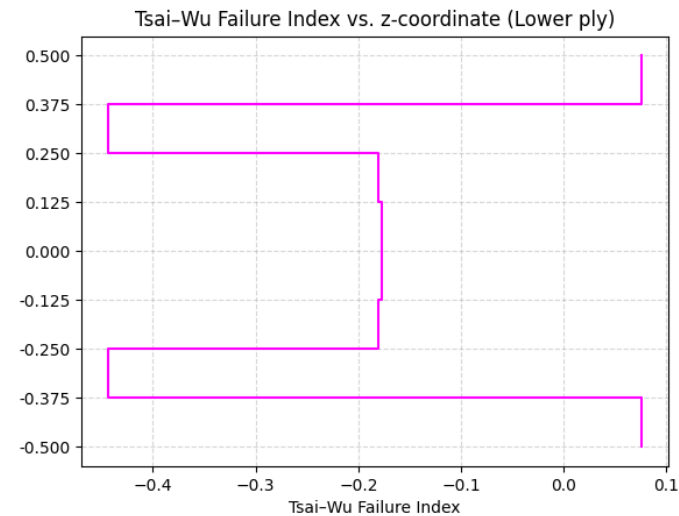
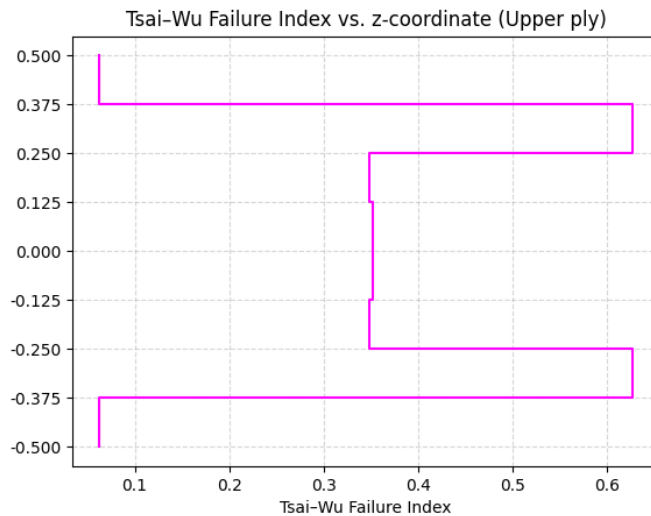
## Tsai-Wu criterion

$$F_{11} \sigma_1^2 + F_{22} \sigma_2^2 + 2F_{12} \sigma_1 \sigma_2 + F_{66} \sigma_6^2 + F_1 \sigma_1 + F_2 \sigma_2 < 1$$

$$F_{11} = \frac{1}{X_t X_c} \quad F_1 = \frac{1}{X_t} - \frac{1}{X_c} \quad F_{66} = \frac{1}{S^2}$$

$$F_{22} = \frac{1}{Y_t Y_c} \quad F_2 = \frac{1}{Y_t} - \frac{1}{Y_c} \quad F_{12} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{F_{11} F_{22}}$$

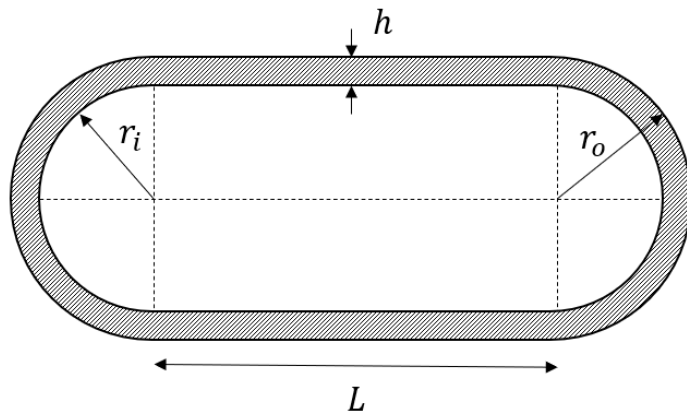
## Tsai-Wu index analysis



- 1) The graphs are not symmetric, why?
- 2) In this model has the order of the plies has made any effect?
- 3) If I have decided to put inside CLT directly Mx the order of the plies would have been relevant?

# Exercise 9

**Design a composite pressure vessel for automotive applications maintaining minimal weight to enhance vehicle performance.**



| Loads and geometry | Value  |
|--------------------|--------|
| P                  | 10 MPa |
| L                  | 100 mm |
| $d_o$              | 100 mm |
| Safety factor (SF) | 1.5    |

| Material                 | E(GPa) | $\nu$ | G(GPa) | $\rho$ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> ) | V. fraction |
|--------------------------|--------|-------|--------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Fiber                    | 230    | 0.20  | 15     | 1760                        | 0.65        |
| Matrix                   | 3.6    | 0.35  | 1.34   | 1200                        | 0.35        |
| Layer thickness = 0.2 mm |        |       |        |                             |             |

| Material strength properties (MPa) |       |       |       |    |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|----|
| $X_t$                              | $X_c$ | $Y_t$ | $Y_c$ | S  |
| 1500                               | 1500  | 40    | 246   | 68 |

**GOAL: reduce of 50% the weight comparing to a steel solution**

## Preliminary load analysis

### Cylindrical section

$$\sigma_h = \frac{Pr}{h} \quad \sigma_a = \frac{Pr}{2h}$$

### Emispherical section

$$\sigma_h = \frac{Pr}{2h} \quad \sigma_a = \frac{Pr}{2h}$$

## Material properties calculation via mixtures rule

$$E_1 = V_f E_f + V_m E_m = (0.65 \times 230) + (0.35 \times 3.6) = 150.7 \text{ GPa}$$

$$E_2 = \left( \frac{V_f}{E_f} + \frac{V_m}{E_m} \right)^{-1} = 10 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\nu_{21} = \frac{E_2 \nu_{12}}{E_1} = 0.0167$$

$$\nu_{12} = (V_f \nu_f) + (V_m \nu_m) = 0.2525$$

$$G_{12} = G_m \frac{(1 + \xi \chi V_f)}{(1 - \chi V_f)} = 4.53 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\xi = 1 \quad \text{shear factor}$$

$$\chi = \frac{(G_f - G_m)}{(G_f + \xi G_m)} = 0.836 \quad \text{Halpin-Tsai factor}$$

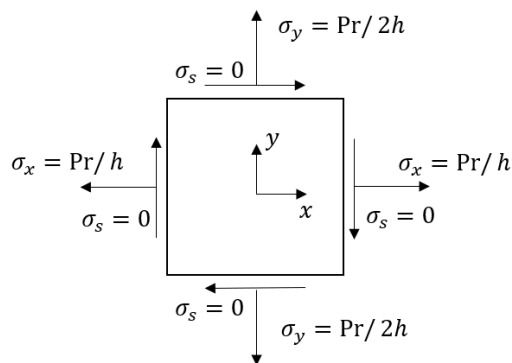
$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 151.40 & 2.53 & 0 \\ 2.53 & 10.04 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4.53 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (GPa)}$$

## First laminate definition

Stacking sequences:  $[0_4/90_2]_s$

| Layer     | Start          | End            | Angle |
|-----------|----------------|----------------|-------|
| Layer 12  | $z_{11} = 1.0$ | $z_{12} = 1.2$ | 0     |
| Layer 11  | $z_{10} = 0.8$ | $z_{11} = 1.0$ | 0     |
| Layer 10  | $z_9 = 0.6$    | $z_{10} = 0.8$ | 0     |
| Layer 9   | $z_8 = 0.4$    | $z_9 = 0.6$    | 0     |
| Layer 8   | $z_7 = 0.2$    | $z_8 = 0.4$    | 90    |
| Layer 7   | $z_6 = 0.0$    | $z_7 = 0.2$    | 90    |
| SYMMETRIC |                |                |       |

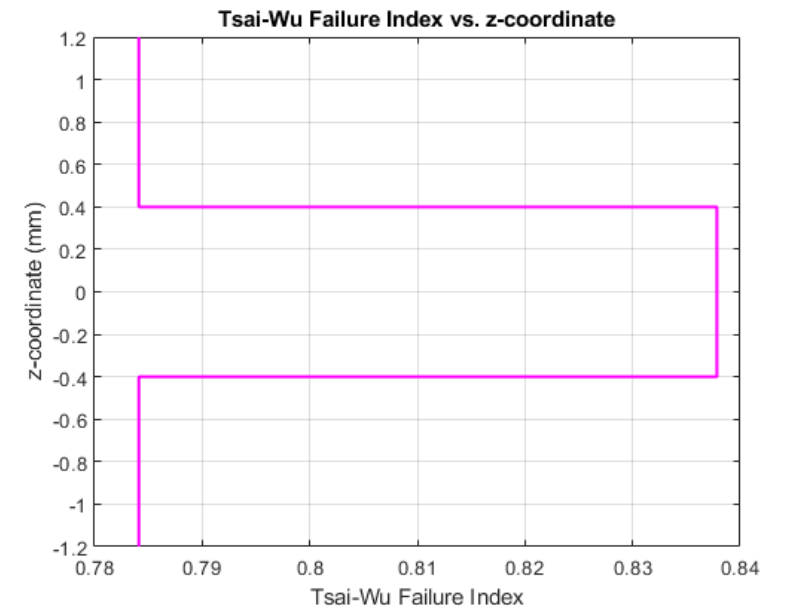
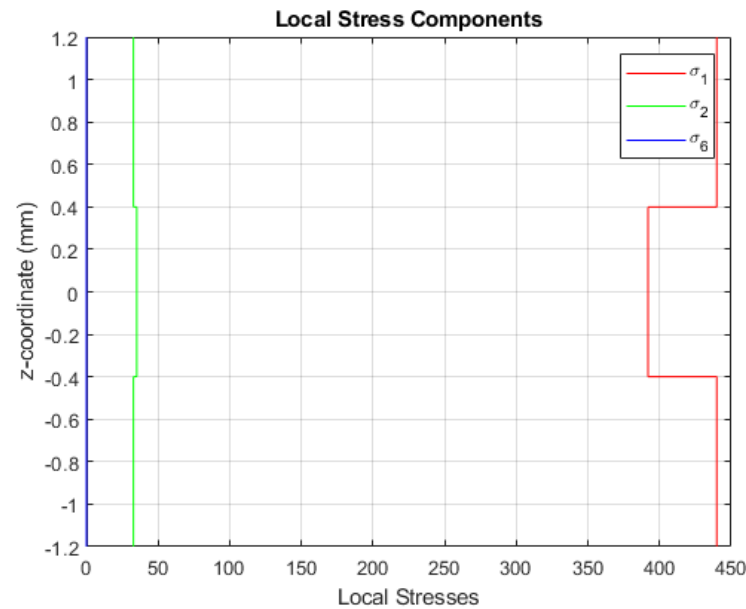
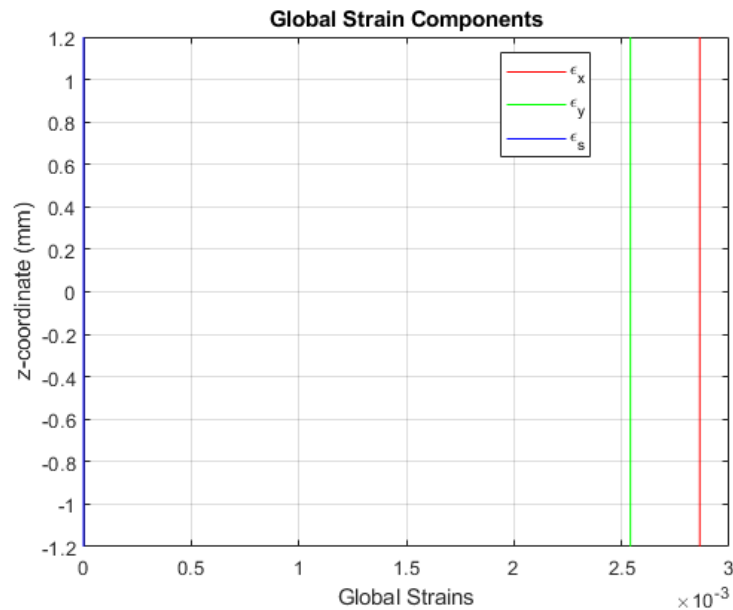
## Load analysis



$$\begin{bmatrix} N_x \\ N_y \\ N_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} SF * \sigma_h * h \\ SF * \sigma_a * h \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} N \\ M \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & \cancel{B} \\ \cancel{B} & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_0 \\ \kappa \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested only on the A matrix, which doesn't depend on the plies order.

## First iteration results



It's always a good idea in looking at the literature for looking at already existing solution for the considered problems.

For composite pressure vessels has been demonstrated that the optimal fiber orientation is  $35.3^\circ$  with antisymmetric and balanced stacking sequences. Considering that, several design cycles has been done until obtaining the final design presented hereafter. The goal was to obtain a TW index between 0.8 and 0.9!

## Final laminate definition

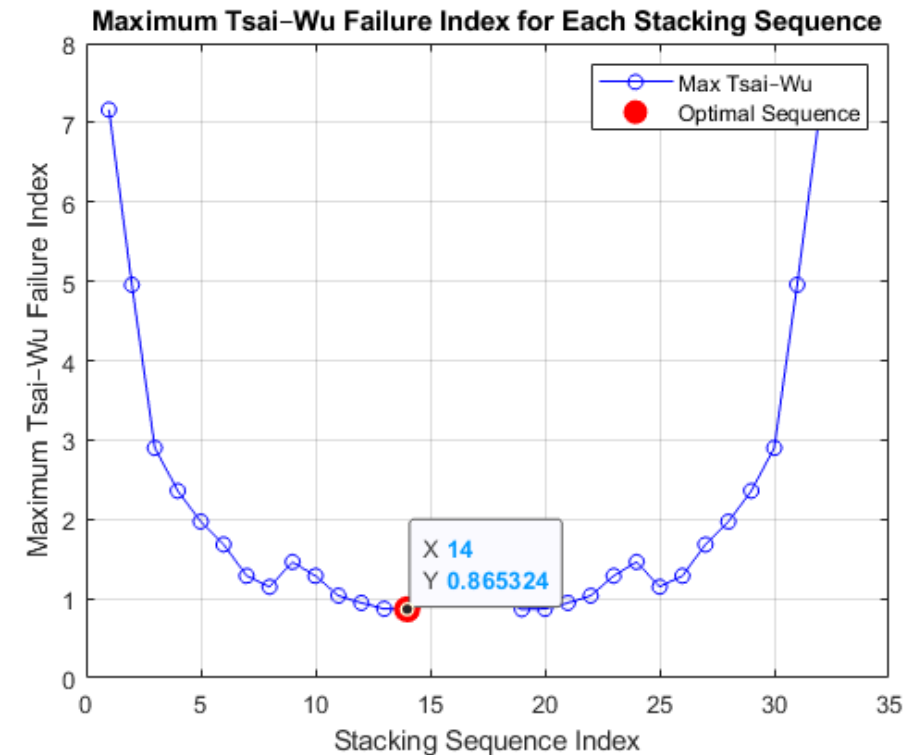
Stacking sequences: [-35.3/35.3<sub>2</sub>/-35.3/35.3/-35.3/35.3/-35.3<sub>2</sub>/35.3]

| Layer     | Start       | End            | Angle |
|-----------|-------------|----------------|-------|
| Layer 10  | $z_9 = 0.8$ | $z_{10} = 1.0$ | 35.3  |
| Layer 9   | $z_8 = 0.6$ | $z_9 = 0.8$    | -35.3 |
| Layer 8   | $z_7 = 0.4$ | $z_8 = 0.6$    | -35.3 |
| Layer 7   | $z_6 = 0.2$ | $z_7 = 0.4$    | 35.3  |
| Layer 6   | $z_5 = 0.0$ | $z_6 = 0.2$    | -35.3 |
| SYMMETRIC |             |                |       |

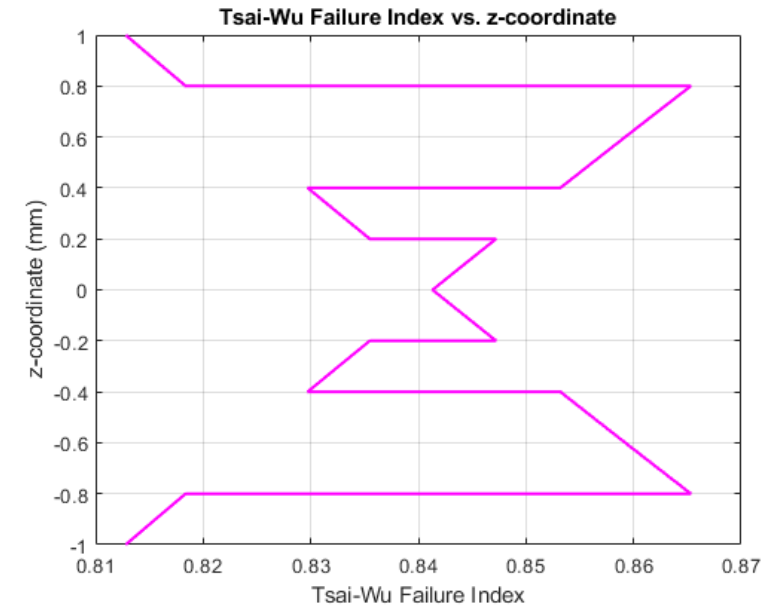
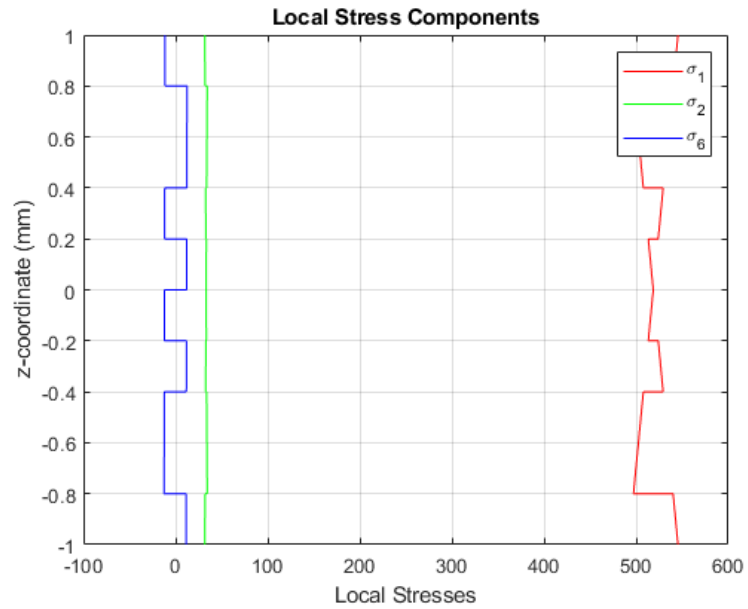
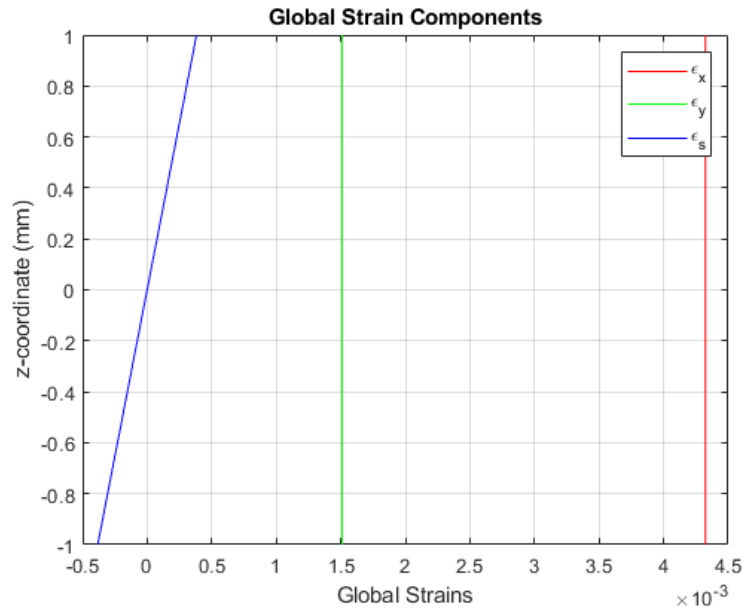
## CLT analysis

$$\begin{Bmatrix} N \\ M \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_0 \\ \kappa \end{Bmatrix}$$

In this case we were interested in both A and B matrix so the order counted. How did I choose this order?



## Design assessment



**With an antisymmetric stacking sequence also the local stresses and Tsai-Wu graph are antisymmetric! In addition we have reached a maximum index of 0.865 and that's enough.**

## Final report

| Description           | Data                                                                             |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cylindrical Length    | $L = 0.100$ m                                                                    |
| Outer Diameter        | $D_o = 0.100$ m                                                                  |
| Inner Diameter        | $D_i = 0.096$ m                                                                  |
| Laminate Thickness    | $t = 0.002$ m                                                                    |
| Internal Pressure     | $P = 10$ MPa                                                                     |
| Load in x-direction   | $N_x = 735.0$ kN/m                                                               |
| Load in y-direction   | $N_y = 367.5$ kN/m                                                               |
| Lamina Thickness      | $th = 200$ $\mu$ m                                                               |
| Number of Lamina      | 10                                                                               |
| Failure Criterion     | Tsai-Wu                                                                          |
| Safety Factor         | $SF = 1.5$                                                                       |
| Stacking sequence     | [-35.3, 35.3 <sub>2</sub> , -35.3, 35.3, -35.3, 35.3, -35.3 <sub>2</sub> , 35.3] |
| Maximum Tsai-Wu index | 0.865                                                                            |

| Property         | CFRP                   | STEEL                  |
|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Volume Capacity  | 1.2 L                  | 1.2 L                  |
| Maximum Pressure | 10 MPa                 | 10 MPa                 |
| Safety Factor    | 1.5                    | 1.5                    |
| Thickness        | 2.0 mm                 | 3.5 mm                 |
| Density          | 1564 kg/m <sup>3</sup> | 7800 kg/m <sup>3</sup> |
| Mass             | 0.19 kg                | 1.63 kg                |

This weight reduction is 88%, which is crucial for a highly competitive racing application.