

**Exercise 1:** Prove that when,

$$E_1 = E_2 \text{ and } G_{12} = \frac{E_1}{2(1 + \nu_{12})}$$

the material is isotropic.

Hind: Use the first relation in (D.36) and show that the modulus is independent of orientation.

**Solution:**

Consider the first relation (D.36),

$$\frac{1}{E_x} = \frac{1}{E_1} c^4 + \frac{1}{E_2} s^4 - 2 \frac{\nu_{12}}{E_1} c^2 s^2 + \frac{1}{G_{12}} c^2 s^2$$

Set  $E_1 = E_2$  and  $G_{12} = \frac{E_1}{2(1 + \nu_{12})}$ .

$$\frac{1}{E_x} = \frac{1}{E_1} c^4 + \frac{1}{E_1} s^4 - 2 \frac{\nu_{12}}{E_1} c^2 s^2 + \frac{2(1 + \nu_{12})}{E_1} c^2 s^2$$

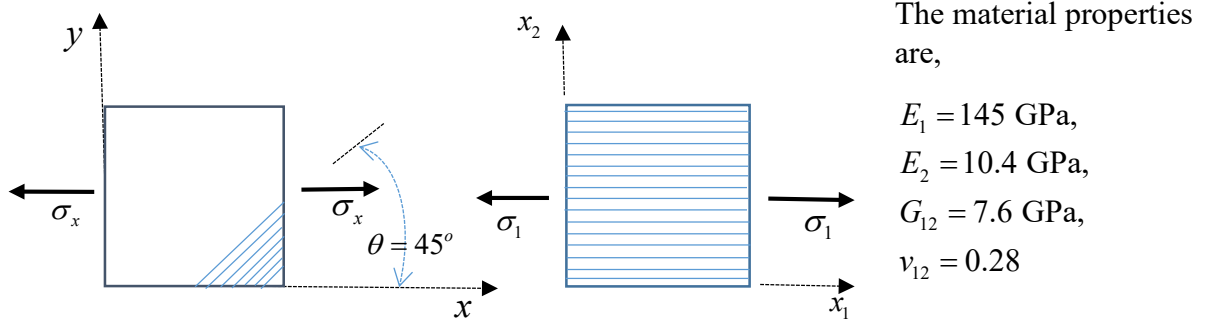
$$\frac{1}{E_x} = \frac{1}{E_1} (c^4 + s^4) - 2 \frac{\nu_{12}}{E_1} c^2 s^2 + \frac{2}{E_1} c^2 s^2 + \frac{2\nu_{12}}{E_1} c^2 s^2 = \frac{1}{E_1} (c^4 + s^4 + 2c^2 s^2) = \frac{1}{E_1} (c^2 + s^2)^2$$

With  $c = \cos \theta$ ,  $s = \sin \theta$ , and  $(c^2 + s^2) = 1$ , we get  $E_x = E_1$ .

We can repeat the same steps with  $E_2$  to get  $E_x = E_2$  which proves that the material is isotropic.

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**Exercise 2:** Two specimens of an orthotropic material (unidirectional laminate) are subjected to uniaxial traction, as shown in the figure, with  $\sigma_x = \sigma_1 = \sigma$ . Calculate the resulting lateral strain.



**Solution:**

For the  $45^\circ$  case (see Figure D7), use (D.33) and (D.24) to obtain the transversal strain,

$$\varepsilon_y = -\frac{\nu_{xy}}{E_x} \sigma_x = S_{xy} \sigma_x$$

Next take  $S_{xy}$  from (D.31) with  $c = s = \sqrt{2}/2$  and (D.21b) to relate,

$$\begin{aligned} S_{11} &= \frac{1}{E_1}, S_{22} = \frac{1}{E_2}, S_{12} = -\frac{\nu_{12}}{E_1}, S_{66} = \frac{1}{G_{12}} \\ \Rightarrow S_{xy} &= (S_{11} + S_{22} - S_{66})c^2s^2 + S_{12}(c^4 + s^4) = 8.10 \times 10^{-12} (\text{GPa})^{-1} \\ \Rightarrow \varepsilon_y &= -\frac{\nu_{xy}}{E_x} \sigma_x = S_{xy} \sigma_x = -8.10 \times 10^{-12} \sigma \end{aligned}$$

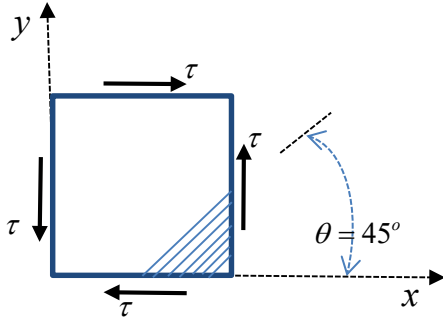
For  $0^\circ$  we have from (D.21),

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon_2 = -\frac{\nu_{12}}{E_1} \sigma = -1.93 \times 10^{-12} \sigma$$

Thus, the lateral deformation is larger (absolute value) in the  $45^\circ$  case.

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**Exercise 3:** A uniaxial lamina is loaded in pure shear  $\sigma_{xy} = \tau$  at  $45^\circ$  with the principal material system axes. Express the resulting strain components in terms of the orthotropic elastic constants  $E_1, E_2, G_{12}, \nu_{12}$  (or  $\nu_{21}$ ).



**Solution:**

We use constitutive relation (D.33), with  $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = 0$ ,  $\sigma_{xy} = \tau$ ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_x \\ \varepsilon_y \\ \gamma_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{E_x} & -\frac{\nu_{yx}}{E_y} & \frac{\eta_{sx}}{G_{xy}} \\ -\frac{\nu_{xy}}{E_x} & \frac{1}{E_y} & \frac{\eta_{sy}}{G_{xy}} \\ \frac{\eta_{xs}}{E_x} & \frac{\eta_{ys}}{E_y} & \frac{1}{G_{xy}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{aligned} \varepsilon_x &= \frac{\eta_{sx}}{G_{xy}} \tau = S_{sx} \tau \quad (S_{sx} = S_{xs}) \\ \varepsilon_y &= \frac{\eta_{sy}}{G_{xy}} \tau = S_{sy} \tau \quad (S_{sy} = S_{ys}) \\ \gamma_{xy} &= \frac{1}{G_{xy}} \tau = S_{ss} \tau \quad (S_{sy} = S_{ys}) \end{aligned}$$

Taking  $S_{xs}, S_{ys}, S_{ss}$  from (D.31) at  $45^\circ$  and (D.21b) we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_x &= \frac{\eta_{sx}}{G_{xy}} \tau = \frac{\tau}{2} \left( \frac{1}{E_1} - \frac{1}{E_2} \right) \\ \varepsilon_y &= \frac{\eta_{sy}}{G_{xy}} \tau = \frac{\tau}{2} \left( \frac{1}{E_1} - \frac{1}{E_2} \right) \\ \gamma_{xy} &= \frac{1}{G_{xy}} \tau = \tau \left( \frac{1 + \nu_{12}}{E_1} + \frac{1 + \nu_{21}}{E_2} \right) \end{aligned}$$