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## Chapter 1

# INTRODUCTION TO COMPOSITE MATERIALS

## **2 Mechanics of Composite Materials**

The purpose of the questions in Problem Set 1 is twofold: (1) to gain some new knowledge that is beyond what the book has to offer in order to get students to consult other references and (2) a writing assignment that is always a worthwhile exercise for students. Because the questions are beyond the scope of the book, no responses are given. The ingenious and resourceful students will respond well.

## **Chapter 2**

# **MACROMECHANICAL BEHAVIOR OF A LAMINA**

EXERCISE 2.4.1

SHOW THAT THE DETERMINANT INEQUALITY IN EQ. (2.48) FOR ORTHOTROPIC MATERIALS CORRECTLY REDUCES TO  $\nu < 1/2$  FOR ISOTROPIC MATERIALS.

FIRST, THE DETERMINANT INEQUALITY IS

$$\bar{\Delta} = 1 - \nu_{12}\nu_{21} - \nu_{23}\nu_{32} - \nu_{31}\nu_{13} - 2\nu_{21}\nu_{32}\nu_{13} > 0 \quad (1)$$

BUT FOR ISOTROPIC MATERIALS

$$\nu_{12} = \nu_{21} = \nu_{23} = \nu_{32} = \nu_{31} = \nu_{13} = \nu \quad (2)$$

SO EQ. (1) REDUCES TO

$$1 - 3\nu^2 - 2\nu^3 > 0 \quad (3)$$

WHICH CAN BE FACTORED TO

$$(1+\nu)(1-\nu-2\nu^2) > 0 \quad (4)$$

OR

$$(1+\nu)(1+\nu)(1-2\nu) > 0 \quad (5)$$

WHEREUPON BECAUSE  $(1+\nu)^2 > 0$ ,

$$1-2\nu > 0 \quad (6)$$

OR

$$\nu < \frac{1}{2} \quad (7)$$

(NOTHING CAN BE SAID ABOUT  $(1+\nu)^2$  IN EQ. (5), BUT WE KNOW FROM OTHER INEQUALITIES THAT

$$\nu > -1 \quad (8)$$

FROM

$$1+\nu > 0 \quad (9)$$

SO THE REDUCTION TO ISOTROPIC MATERIALS IS CORRECT.)

EXERCISE 2.4.2

DERIVE EQ. (2.52) FROM THE DETERMINANT INEQUALITY IN EQ. (2.48):

$$\bar{\Delta} = 1 - \nu_{12}\nu_{21} - \nu_{23}\nu_{32} - \nu_{31}\nu_{13} - 2\nu_{21}\nu_{32}\nu_{13} > 0 \quad (1)$$

WHICH IS

$$1 - \nu_{12}\nu_{21} - \nu_{23}\nu_{32} - \nu_{31}\nu_{13} > 2\nu_{21}\nu_{32}\nu_{13} \quad (2)$$

OR

$$(1 - \nu_{12}\nu_{21} - \nu_{23}\nu_{32} - \nu_{31}\nu_{13})/2 > \nu_{21}\nu_{32}\nu_{13} \quad (3)$$

NOW SUBSTITUTE THE RECIPROCAL RELATIONS

$$\nu_{ij}/E_i = \nu_{ji}/E_j \quad (4)$$

TO OBTAIN

$$\left[1 - \nu_{21}^2 \left(\frac{E_1}{E_2}\right) - \nu_{32}^2 \left(\frac{E_2}{E_3}\right) - \nu_{13}^2 \left(\frac{E_3}{E_1}\right)\right]/2 > \nu_{21}\nu_{32}\nu_{13} \quad (5)$$

BUT SINCE  $\nu_{ij}^2 > 0$  AND  $E_1, E_2,$  AND  $E_3 > 0$ , THEN THE BRACKETED QUANTITY IS LESS THAN ONE SO

$$\frac{1}{2} > \left[1 - \nu_{21}^2 \left(\frac{E_1}{E_2}\right) - \nu_{32}^2 \left(\frac{E_2}{E_3}\right) - \nu_{13}^2 \left(\frac{E_3}{E_1}\right)\right]/2 > \nu_{21}\nu_{32}\nu_{13} \quad (6)$$

WHICH IS EQ. (2.52) AS DESIRED.

FOR ISOTROPIC MATERIALS, EQ. (6) BECOMES

$$\frac{1}{2} > (1 - 3\nu^2)/2 > \nu^3 \quad (7)$$

OR

$$1 > 1 - 3\nu^2 > 2\nu^3 \quad (8)$$

OR

$$1 - 3\nu^2 - 2\nu^3 > 0 \quad (9)$$

WHICH IS SHOWN IN EX. 2.4.1 TO YIELD  $\nu < \frac{1}{2}$ .

EXERCISE 2.4.3

DERIVE EQ. (2.53) FROM EQ. (2.52) WHICH IS

$$\nu_{21}\nu_{32}\nu_{13} < \left[ 1 - \nu_{21}^2 \left( \frac{E_1}{E_2} \right) - \nu_{32}^2 \left( \frac{E_2}{E_3} \right) - \nu_{13}^2 \left( \frac{E_3}{E_1} \right) \right] / 2 < \frac{1}{2} \quad (1)$$

AND CAN BE WRITTEN AS

$$1 - 2\nu_{21}\nu_{32}\nu_{13} > 1 - \nu_{21}^2 \left( \frac{E_1}{E_2} \right) - \nu_{32}^2 \left( \frac{E_2}{E_3} \right) - \nu_{13}^2 \left( \frac{E_3}{E_1} \right) - 2\nu_{21}\nu_{32}\nu_{13} > 0 \quad (2)$$

OR

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ 1 - \nu_{32}^2 \left( \frac{E_2}{E_3} \right) \right] \left[ 1 - \nu_{13}^2 \left( \frac{E_3}{E_1} \right) \right] \\ & - \nu_{32}^2 \nu_{13}^2 \left( \frac{E_2}{E_3} \right) \left( \frac{E_3}{E_1} \right) - \nu_{21}^2 \left( \frac{E_1}{E_2} \right) - 2\nu_{21}\nu_{32}\nu_{13} > 0 \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

OR

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ 1 - \nu_{32}^2 \left( \frac{E_2}{E_3} \right) \right] \left[ 1 - \nu_{13}^2 \left( \frac{E_3}{E_1} \right) \right] \\ & - \left[ \nu_{32}\nu_{13} \left( \frac{E_2}{E_1} \right)^{1/2} + \nu_{21} \left( \frac{E_1}{E_2} \right)^{1/2} \right]^2 > 0 \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

WHICH IS EQ. (2.53) AS DESIRED.

FOR ISOTROPIC MATERIALS, EQ. (4) BECOMES

$$(1 - \nu^2)^2 - (\nu^2 + \nu)^2 > 0 \quad (5)$$

OR

$$1 - 3\nu^2 - 2\nu^3 > 0 \quad (6)$$

WHICH IS SHOWN IN EX. 2.4.1 TO YIELD

$$\nu < \frac{1}{2} \quad (7)$$

### EXERCISE 2.4.4

DERIVE EQ. (2.54) FROM EQ. (2.53) WHICH IS

$$\left[1 - \nu_{32}^2 \left(\frac{E_2}{E_3}\right)\right] \left[1 - \nu_{13}^2 \left(\frac{E_3}{E_1}\right)\right] - \left[\nu_{21} \left(\frac{E_1}{E_2}\right)^{1/2} + \nu_{32} \nu_{13} \left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right)^{1/2}\right]^2 > 0 \quad (1)$$

MULTIPLY EQ. (1) BY  $E_2/E_1$  TO OBTAIN

$$\left[1 - \nu_{32}^2 \left(\frac{E_2}{E_3}\right)\right] \left[1 - \nu_{13}^2 \left(\frac{E_3}{E_1}\right)\right] \left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right) - \left[\nu_{21} + \nu_{32} \nu_{13} \left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right)\right]^2 > 0 \quad (2)$$

WHICH IS OF THE FORM

$$B - (X + A)^2 > 0 \quad (3)$$

WHEREUPON

$$-\sqrt{B} - A < X < +\sqrt{B} - A \quad (4)$$

OR

$$-(A + \sqrt{B}) < X < -(A - \sqrt{B}) \quad (5)$$

WHICH IS

$$-\left\{\nu_{32} \nu_{13} \left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right) + \left[1 - \nu_{32}^2 \left(\frac{E_2}{E_3}\right)\right]^{1/2} \left[1 - \nu_{13}^2 \left(\frac{E_3}{E_1}\right)\right]^{1/2} \left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right)^{1/2}\right\} < \nu_{21} < \left\{\nu_{32} \nu_{13} \left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right) - \left[1 - \nu_{32}^2 \left(\frac{E_2}{E_3}\right)\right]^{1/2} \left[1 - \nu_{13}^2 \left(\frac{E_3}{E_1}\right)\right]^{1/2} \left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right)^{1/2}\right\} \quad (6)$$

WHICH IS EQ. (2.54) AS DESIRED.

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### EXERCISE 2.4.5

SHOW THAT EQ. (2.54),

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \left\{ \nu_{32} \nu_{13} \left( \frac{E_2}{E_1} \right) + \left[ 1 - \nu_{32}^2 \left( \frac{E_2}{E_3} \right) \right]^{1/2} \left[ 1 - \nu_{13}^2 \left( \frac{E_3}{E_1} \right) \right]^{1/2} \left( \frac{E_2}{E_1} \right)^{1/2} \right\} < \nu_{21} \\
 & < - \left\{ \nu_{32} \nu_{13} \left( \frac{E_2}{E_1} \right) - \left[ 1 - \nu_{32}^2 \left( \frac{E_2}{E_3} \right) \right]^{1/2} \left[ 1 - \nu_{13}^2 \left( \frac{E_3}{E_1} \right) \right]^{1/2} \left( \frac{E_2}{E_1} \right)^{1/2} \right\} \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

REDUCES FOR ISOTROPIC MATERIALS TO THE KNOWN BOUNDS ON  $\nu$ . FIRST, WHEN  $\nu_{ij} = \nu$  AND  $E_i = E$ , EQ. (1) IS

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \left[ \nu^2 + (1 - \nu^2)^{1/2} (1 - \nu^2)^{1/2} \right] < \nu \\
 & < - \left[ \nu^2 - (1 - \nu^2)^{1/2} (1 - \nu^2)^{1/2} \right] \quad (2)
 \end{aligned}$$

OR

$$-1 < \nu < 1 - 2\nu^2 \quad (3)$$

OBVIOUSLY, THE LOWER BOUND ON  $\nu$  IS OBTAINED FROM EQ. (3) BY INSPECTION AS

$$-1 < \nu \quad (4)$$

HOWEVER, THE UPPER BOUND REQUIRES MANIPULATION. CONSIDER JUST THE UPPER BOUND WRITTEN AS

$$\nu < 1 - 2\nu^2 \quad (5)$$

OR

$$0 < 1 - \nu - 2\nu^2 \quad (6)$$

OR

$$0 < (1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu) \quad (7)$$

SINCE WE KNOW  $\nu > -1$  OR  $1 + \nu > 0$ , THEN

$$1 - 2\nu > 0 \quad (8)$$

OR

$$\nu < \frac{1}{2} \quad (9)$$

AS DESIRED.

EXERCISE 2.6.1

DERIVE EQ. (2.82). THE STRESSES IN X-Y COORDINATES IN TERMS OF THOSE IN 1-2 COORDINATES ARE

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_x \\ \sigma_y \\ \tau_{xy} \end{Bmatrix} = [T]^{-1} \begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ \sigma_2 \\ \tau_{12} \end{Bmatrix} \quad (2.74)$$

SUBSTITUTE THE STRESS-STRAIN LAW, EQ. (2.81) :

$$= [T]^{-1} [Q] \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \gamma_{12} \end{Bmatrix}$$

SUBSTITUTE THE REUTER MATRIX, EQ. (2.77), TO GET THE MODIFIED STRAIN VECTOR :

$$= [T]^{-1} [Q] [R] \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \gamma_{12}/2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

TRANSFORM THE STRAINS FROM 1-2 TO X-Y COORDINATES BY THE INVERSE OF EQ. (2.75) :

$$= [T]^{-1} [Q] [R] [T] \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_x \\ \epsilon_y \\ \gamma_{xy}/2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

FINALLY, USE THE REUTER MATRIX IN THE FORM OF THE INVERSE OF EQ. (2.79) TO GET THE NATURAL STRAIN VECTOR IN THE X-Y COORDINATE SYSTEM :

$$= [T]^{-1} [Q] [R] [T] [R]^{-1} \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_x \\ \epsilon_y \\ \gamma_{xy} \end{Bmatrix} \quad (2.82)$$

EXERCISE 2.6.2

$$\text{PROVE } [R][T][R]^{-1} = [T]^{-T}$$

FIRST,

$$[R][T] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c^2 & s^2 & 2sc \\ s^2 & c^2 & -2sc \\ -sc & sc & c^2 - s^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c^2 & s^2 & 2sc \\ s^2 & c^2 & -2sc \\ -2sc & 2sc & 2(c^2 - s^2) \end{bmatrix}$$

THEN,

$$\begin{aligned} [R][T][R]^{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} c^2 & s^2 & 2sc \\ s^2 & c^2 & -2sc \\ -2sc & 2sc & 2(c^2 - s^2) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} c^2 & s^2 & sc \\ s^2 & c^2 & -sc \\ -2sc & 2sc & c^2 - s^2 \end{bmatrix} = [T]^{-1T} = [T]^{-T} \end{aligned}$$