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ABSTRACT

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Plates constructed of laminated continuous aligned fiber reinforced composite materials have been observed to delaminate at edges while under static and fatigue loads. Using a linear elastic homogeneous anisotropic material model and solving resulting equations of elasticity, the three dimensional stress states occurring near central circular holes and straight edges of laminated plates are investigated. Shortcomings in the theory and analysis are discussed. For holes, standard three-dimensional finite elements were used in a straightforward procedure to obtain approximate numerical results. For straight edges, a solution procedure is developed within this work based on a weighted residual method.

Specifically, holed plates having \([0/90]_s, [90/0]_s\), and \([90/0]\) configurations of Graphite/Epoxy laminates with hole radius/plate thickness over a range of 1-25 under uniaxial uniform normal loading were modeled. Estimates of the maximum stress concentration for thick and thin plates using plane stress and plate theory formulas compared very well with FE results. Reinforcement of the hole with an isotropic ring of varying thickness and rigidity was found
to mitigate the boundary layer stresses and to reduce stress concentration in the plate. Measurements of hole surface deformations using miniature strain gages were done for $[0_\gamma/90_\gamma]_S$ and $[90_\gamma/0_\gamma]_S$ plates. Results indicate that the FE and measurement results agree well except at locations very close to the intersection of the layer interface and the edge where stresses have been surmised to possibly be singular.

For problems where the stress state does not vary along one cartesian axis (e.g. $\partial\sigma/\partial x=0$) a family of exponential functions are derived which satisfy the internal equations of elasticity. Particular solutions are then obtained by a Least Squares Boundary Collocation procedure. Comparison shows that this approach has advantages over methods appearing in literature.

Using the developed approach, the effects of axial, bending and twisting loads on the edge stresses of symmetric, antisymmetric, and asymmetric angle-ply and crossply laminates for shuffled and unshuffled layer sequences are investigated. The results show that the determination of the depth of the edge boundary layer and stress state within it requires solution of the complete boundary value problem for accuracy.
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<td>b, (\bar{C})</td>
<td>half width of strip, matrix of Hooke's law stiffness coefficients</td>
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<td>(C_{ijkl})</td>
<td>Hooke's Law effective stiffness tensor in principal coordinate system</td>
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<td>(C'_{ijkl})</td>
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<td>(\det(\bar{A}))</td>
<td>determinant of matrix (\bar{A})</td>
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<td>(E_c)</td>
<td>Young's modulus of isotropic reinforcement material</td>
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<td>(M_{ij})</td>
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<td>initial, final, and gage length of strain gage</td>
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<td>(\Delta \ell)</td>
<td>change in length of strain gage ((\ell_f - \ell_o))</td>
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<td>(\xi_i)</td>
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<td>(n_j)</td>
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Symbols:

$P$ total load applied to edge of plate
$r$ radial distance perpendicular to singular line or point
$r$ radial coordinate (distance from centerline of hole)
$S_{ijkl}$ Hooke's law effective flexibility tensor
$t$ thickness parameter of plate or strip
$T_j$ surface traction in $j$ direction
$X^T$ transpose of matrix $X$
$u$ strain energy
$\bar{u}$ displacement vector $[u,v,w]^T$
$u,v,w$ scalar elements of displacement vector
$u_i$ scalar elements of displacement vector $i=1,2,3$
$u^*_j$ imposed boundary displacement
$W$ plate width parameter
$x,y,z$ cartesian coordinates
$\alpha$ ply orientation angle, lamination variable
$\beta$ dummy variable for integration if not otherwise defined
$\delta_i$ Dirac delta function
$\varepsilon_{ij}$ strain tensor element
$\eta_0,\eta_1$ strain error constants
$\eta_m$ matrix volume content
$\eta_f$ fiber volume content
$\gamma_{ij}$ engineering shear strain
$\bar{\lambda}$ matrix of direction cosines
$\lambda_{ij}$ direction cosine
$\nu_c$ Poisson's ratio for isotropic reinforcement material
Symbol

\( \varepsilon \), \( \varepsilon \)  
ratios \( k_u/k_w, k_v/k_w \)

\( \pi_i \)  
constants in general solution

\( \bar{\sigma} \)  
stress vector

\( \sigma_{ij} \)  
stress tensor element \( ij \)

\( \sigma_0 \)  
gross applied stress

\( \theta \)  
an angular coordinate

\( \psi_y, \psi_z \)  
trial function exponent coefficients

\( \mathbf{w} \)  
vector of all trial function coefficients

\( \varphi_i \)  
roots of characteristic equation

\( \omega \)  
power of singularity

\{ \}  
denotes a vector

\[ \]  
denotes a square matrix

\( \bar{\text{-}} \)  
overbar denotes vector or matrix
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<td>Classical Lamination Theory</td>
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<td>BL</td>
<td>Boundary Layer</td>
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<td>BCLS</td>
<td>Boundary Collocation Least Squares</td>
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<td>DOF</td>
<td>Degrees of Freedom</td>
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<td>EM</td>
<td>Effective Modulus</td>
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<td>FE(M)</td>
<td>Finite Element (Method)</td>
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<td>IL</td>
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<td>MWR</td>
<td>Method of Weighted Residuals</td>
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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

The combining of two or more distinct phases to obtain a composite material has long been a successful approach to materials design. Composite laminates have emerged as very successful structural material system, not least, in particular, for plates and shells.

Continuous fibers of high stiffness and strength aligned in and bonded to a surrounding matrix are used to make layers in a composite laminate. As part of a mechanical system, each layer of the laminate having its fiber direction aligned with purpose in respect to a global frame, contributes to the system's response. Load-deformation response is tailored and can be such that conventional response (isotropic and homogeneous) is obtained from certain configurations, but this is a subset of the infinite bounded set of responses possible.

In any case, the system's behaviour must be understood and predictable. For innovative radical designs, analytical models may begin to provide useful information for all configurations.

As shown in Figure 1.1, structures may frequently contain holes, ply drops, and various joints. These details generally will cause stresses in their vicinity to be much above that of the surrounding material making them likely sites for initiation of damage.
Figure 1.1  Bolted Composite Joints on the F-18.
The main objective in this work is to study the mechanical behaviour (i.e. the initial stress state) of some simple structural problems like circular holes and straight free edges. The work is comprised of investigating this mechanical behaviour by:

i) mathematical modelling based on the classical approach from infinitesimal displacement theory of linear elasticity and the approximate solution of equations from elasticity; and

ii) measurements of deformations.

In so doing, a contribution is made to the understanding of failure processes of composite laminates and the solution procedures. The material is modelled so that the response is linear and elastic. Only the initial geometry, material and loading are investigated.

In Chapter 2 the equations of elasticity are presented and examined. Indefinite aspects of the theory are discussed.

In Chapter 3 laminated plates with a central circular hole are studied both by finite element solution of the elasticity equations and measurements of hole surface strains using miniature foil resistance strain gages. Boundary layer stresses in specially orthotropic laminates are studied for the effects of varying of R/t and of reinforcing the hole with a bonded isotropic ring.

For straight edge problems a mode of solution is
developed based on a method which is valid for problems where $\partial \sigma / \partial x = 0$ in Chapter 4. The procedure is qualified by comparison with other available solutions. Results are generated to study various straight edge problems of angle-ply and crossply laminates in symmetric, unsymmetric and antisymmetric configurations with shuffled and unshuffled ply groups under normal, bending and twisting loads.

Chapter 5 summarizes the objectives, conclusions, and contributions made and includes recommendations for future work.
CHAPTER 2
THEORETICAL EQUATIONS FOR LINEAR ELASTIC ANISOTROPIC MATERIALS

2.1 Stress, Strain, and Hooke's Law Relation

In this chapter the mathematical theory to be used for the analysis of composite laminates modelled as layered homogeneous anisotropic linearly elastic solid media is presented. Although these same equations may be found elsewhere (e.g. Lekhnitskii (1977)) notations may differ; hence the concerned work is reviewed. In closing, there is a brief discussion on limitations of the theory.

In the mathematical analysis of continua the two quantities of stress and strain may be represented by cartesian tensors (see Jaeger (1966)). The nine components of stress are given by

\[ \sigma_{ij} \quad i, j = x, y, z \quad (2.1.1) \]

and the strains in terms of the displacements are

\[ \varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left( u_{i,j} + u_{j,i} \right) \quad i, j = x, y, z \quad (2.1.2) \]

Both the strains and stresses defined in this way constitute
symmetric second order cartesian tensors. The strains differ from the commonly used engineering strains in the definition of the shear strains but are related by

\[ \gamma_{ij} = 2 \varepsilon_{ij} \text{ or } \varepsilon_{ij} + \varepsilon_{ji} \quad i,j=x,y,z \quad i \neq j. \]  

While the engineering strain eliminates redundancy it has a disadvantage in that it is not directly amenable to manipulation by tensor algebra.

From the theory of elasticity the linear relations between stress and strain for an anisotropic homogeneous material under certain conditions are represented by Hooke's law. Hooke's law is expressed, in the most general form, in compact tensor notation by

\[ \sigma_{ij} = C_{ijkl} \varepsilon_{kl} \quad i,j,k,l=x,y,z ; \]  

where \( C_{ijkl} \), the 81 stiffness coefficients, are the elements of a fourth order tensor. It is understood that for this notation any subscript which appears twice on the right hand side indicates that a summation over its range of possible values must be performed.

The stress, strain and stiffness tensors must be defined in a coordinate system, however, they may easily be transformed to any other coordinate frame which is rotated with respect to the original (see Figure 2.1). Given the components of vectors \( \tilde{\sigma} \) and \( \tilde{\varepsilon} \) in the original frame and the direction cosines between the two frames, the components of
Figure 2.1 Examples of direction cosines for tensor transformation.
\( \tilde{\sigma}' \) and \( \tilde{\epsilon}' \) in the rotated frame are given by

\[
\begin{align*}
\sigma_{ij}' &= \lambda_{ik} \lambda_{jl} \sigma_{kl} \quad i,j=x',y',z' \quad k,l=x,y,z \\
\varepsilon_{ij}' &= \lambda_{ik} \lambda_{jl} \varepsilon_{kl}
\end{align*}
\]

(2.1.5)

where, for example, \( \lambda_{z',z} \) is the cosine of the angle between the \( z \) axis (in the first frame) and the \( z' \) axis (in the rotated frame). In general, the order of suffixes is important; for example,

\[
\lambda_{x'y} \not= \lambda_{y'x}.
\]

The transformations may be presented in matrix form

\[
\tilde{\sigma}' = \tilde{\lambda} \ \tilde{\sigma} \ \tilde{\lambda}^T
\]

(2.1.6)

where

\[
\tilde{\sigma} = \begin{bmatrix}
\sigma_{xx} & \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_{xz} \\
\sigma_{yx} & \sigma_{yy} & \sigma_{yz} \\
\sigma_{zx} & \sigma_{zy} & \sigma_{zz}
\end{bmatrix},
\]

similarly for \( \tilde{\sigma}' \), \( \tilde{\epsilon} \), \( \tilde{\epsilon}' \);

\[
\tilde{\lambda} = \begin{bmatrix}
\lambda_{x'x} & \lambda_{x'y} & \lambda_{x'z} \\
\lambda_{y'x} & \lambda_{y'y} & \lambda_{y'z} \\
\lambda_{z'x} & \lambda_{z'y} & \lambda_{z'z}
\end{bmatrix},
\]

The elements of the C tensor after a rotation of coordinates
are represented by

\[ C'_{abcd} = \lambda_{ai} \lambda_{bj} \lambda_{ck} \lambda_{dl} C_{ijkl} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{c} i, j, k, l = x, y, z \\ a, b, c, d = x', y', z' \end{array} \right. \quad (2.1.7) \]

It is impractical to express this in matrix form since it requires a 3x3x3x3 matrix. For a homogeneous material, pure translation of the coordinate system will have no effect on the \( C \) tensor.

The strain energy density is a mathematically homogeneous positive definite quadratic scalar function defined by

\[ U = \frac{1}{2} C_{ijkl} \varepsilon_{ij} \varepsilon_{kl} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{c} i, j, k, l = x, y, z \end{array} \right. \quad (2.1.8) \]

Since \( U \) is a scalar it is invariant with respect to a change of coordinates; it is related to stress by

\[ \sigma_{ij} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial \varepsilon_{ij}} = C_{ijkl} \varepsilon_{lk}. \quad (2.1.9) \]

Because the stress and strain tensors are symmetric only 36 coefficients are required to give the six discrete stresses in terms of the six discrete strains. The six stresses may be represented by a vector and obtained by the matrix multiplication

\[ \bar{\sigma} = \bar{C} \bar{\varepsilon} \quad (2.1.10) \]

where now we redefine
\[ \bar{c} = \begin{bmatrix}
    c_{xxxx} & c_{xxyy} & c_{xxzz} & c_{xxyz} & c_{xxxx} & c_{xxxz} & c_{xxxy} \\
    & c_{yyyy} & c_{yyzz} & c_{yyxz} & c_{yyyy} & c_{yyyy} & c_{yyxy} \\
    & & c_{zzzz} & c_{zzyz} & c_{zzxz} & c_{zzxy} & c_{zzxy} \\
    & & & sy m m e t r i c & c_{zyyz} & c_{zxxz} & c_{zyxy} \\
    & & & & c_{zxxz} & c_{xzxy} & c_{xyxy} \\
    & & & & & c_{xyxy} & 
\end{bmatrix} \]

\[ \bar{\sigma} = \begin{bmatrix}
    \sigma_{xx} \\
    \sigma_{yy} \\
    \sigma_{zz} \\
    \tau_{yz} \\
    \tau_{xz} \\
    \tau_{xy} 
\end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix}
    \varepsilon_{xx} \\
    \varepsilon_{yy} \\
    \varepsilon_{zz} \\
    \gamma_{yz} \\
    \gamma_{xz} \\
    \gamma_{xy} 
\end{bmatrix} \]

The matrix \( \bar{c} \) must be symmetric for reciprocity to occur. That is, given 2 arbitrary states of strain \( \bar{\varepsilon}^1 \) and \( \bar{\varepsilon}^2 \) then since \( C_{ijkl} \bar{\varepsilon}_i^1 \bar{\varepsilon}_j^2 = C_{klji} \bar{\varepsilon}_i^1 \bar{\varepsilon}_j^2 \) we must have \( C_{ijkl} = C_{klji} \). The strain energy \( U \) can be represented by

\[ U = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\varepsilon}^T \bar{c} \bar{\varepsilon} \quad (2.1.11) \]

and so \( \bar{c} \) is also positive definite since

\[ U \geq 0 \text{ for any } \bar{\varepsilon} \neq \{0\} \]
in order for the body to remain stable.

The number of independent elements remaining may be further reduced by considering the elastic symmetry of a material. A material is said to have elastic symmetry when \( \bar{C} \) remains invariant under a coordinate transformation. For example, if \( -\lambda_{zz}' = \lambda_{xx}' = \lambda_{yy}' = 1 \) with all other direction cosines zero, then if \( C \) remains invariant it has reflexive symmetry across the plane \( z = 0 \). Hashin (1972) has shown that a uniaxially fiber reinforced composite material with random positioning of the fibers in the \( yz \) plane as shown in Figure 2.2 can be represented as being transversely isotropic (one in which \( \bar{C} \) is invariant for any rotation about the fiber axis) in the \( yz \) plane. The following elements must vanish:

\[
C_{zzyz}', C_{yyyz}', C_{xxyz}', C_{yzxy}', C_{yzxz}', C_{xzxz}', C_{zxzy}', C_{zyzy}', C_{zyxz}', C_{xxzy}, C_{xxxx}, C_{xxyy}, C_{xxzz}
\]

\( C_{yyxz}', C_{xxxx}, C_{xxzz} \) and the stiffness matrix then becomes

\[
\bar{C} = \begin{bmatrix}
C_{xxxx} & C_{xxyy} & C_{xxzz} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
C_{yyzy} & C_{yyzz} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
C_{zzzx} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
\text{symmetric} & C_{zyyz} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
C_{xzxz} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
C_{xyxy} & & & & &
\end{bmatrix}
\]
$\eta_f = \frac{\text{total volume of fibers}}{\text{total volume of composite}}$

Figure 2.2 Cross section of semi-random fiber reinforced material as described in Hashin (1972).
Further, $C_{yyyy} = C_{zzzz}$, $C_{xxyy} = C_{xxzz}$, $C_{xzzz} = C_{xyxy}$,

$C_{yzyz} = \sqrt{3} (C_{yyyy} - C_{yyzz})$ must hold reducing the number of
independent coefficients to five. This stiffness
matrix holds for a specifically oriented coordinate
system, often called the principal coordinate system where
the x axis aligns with the fiber direction.

In general, each layer of a laminate has its
principal coordinates differing from some global system for
the laminate by a rotation about the z' axis, as shown in
Figure 2.3. To express the stiffness matrix coefficients in
the coordinate system of the laminate requires that the
tensor be transformed and then the independently rotated
coefficients be used to populate the matrix. To simplify
the notation the suffixes in each term are redefined as
follows:

$$1-xx; 2-yy; 3-zz; 4-zy, yz; 5-xz, zx; 6-xy, yx$$

In unprimed coordinates the direction 1 is the fiber
direction. Using Equation (2.1.7) with the angle between
the primed global coordinates and the unprimed principal
coordinates equal to $\alpha$ such that

$$\begin{bmatrix}
\lambda'x'x & \lambda'y'x & \lambda'z'x \\
\lambda'y'x & \lambda'y'y & \lambda'y'z \\
\lambda'z'x & \lambda'z'y & \lambda'z'z
\end{bmatrix} =
\begin{bmatrix}
\cos(\alpha) & \sin(\alpha) & 0 \\
-\sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1
\end{bmatrix}; \quad (2.1.13)$$
Figure 2.3 Lamination parameters: angle of orientation of layer's principal coordinates in laminate system and the layer thickness.
the non-zero primed coefficients of the $C$ matrix in the new notation are:

$$C_{11}' = C_{11} \cos^4(\alpha) + C_{22} \sin^4(\alpha) + 2(C_{12} + 2C_{66}) \sin^2(\alpha) \cos^2(\alpha)$$

$$C_{12}' = (C_{11} + C_{22} - 4C_{66}) \cos^2(\alpha) \sin^2(\alpha) + C_{12} (\sin^4(\alpha) + \cos^4(\alpha))$$

$$C_{13}' = C_{13} \cos^2(\alpha) + C_{23} \sin^2(\alpha)$$

$$C_{15}' = (C_{11} + C_{12} + 2C_{66}) \cos^3(\alpha) \sin(\alpha) + (-C_{12} + C_{22} - 2C_{66}) \sin^3(\alpha) \cos(\alpha)$$

$$C_{22}' = C_{22} \cos^4(\alpha) + C_{11} \sin^4(\alpha) + 2(C_{12} + 2C_{66}) \sin^2(\alpha) \cos^2(\alpha)$$

$$C_{23}' = C_{13} \sin^2(\alpha) + C_{23} \cos^2(\alpha)$$

$$C_{25}' = (-C_{11} + C_{12} + 2C_{66}) \cos(\alpha) \sin^3(\alpha) + (-C_{12} + C_{22} - 2C_{66}) \sin(\alpha) \cos^3(\alpha)$$

$$C_{33}' = C_{33}$$

$$C_{35}' = (C_{23} - C_{13}) \cos(\alpha) \sin(\alpha)$$

$$C_{44}' = C_{44} \sin^2(\alpha) + C_{44} \cos^2(\alpha)$$

$$C_{45}' = (C_{44} - C_{55}) \sin(\alpha) \cos(\alpha)$$

$$C_{55}' = C_{44} \sin^2(\alpha) + C_{55} \cos^2(\alpha)$$

$$C_{66}' = C_{66} (\sin^4(\alpha) + \cos^4(\alpha)) + (C_{11} + C_{22} - 2C_{12} - 2C_{66}) \sin^2(\alpha) \cos^2(\alpha)$$

and $C_{14}' = C_{15}' = C_{24}' = C_{25}' = C_{34}' = C_{35}' = C_{46}' = C_{56}' = 0$.

The stiffness matrix then becomes populated as follows
\[
\begin{bmatrix}
  c'_{11} & c'_{12} & c'_{13} & 0 & 0 & c'_{16} \\
  c'_{21} & c'_{22} & 0 & 0 & c'_{26} \\
  c'_{31} & 0 & c'_{33} & 0 & c'_{36} \\
  \text{symmetric} & c'_{44} & c'_{45} & 0 & c'_{46} \\
  c'_{55} & 0 & \text{symmetric} & c'_{56} & c'_{66}
\end{bmatrix}
\]

so that

\[
\bar{c}' = \tilde{c}' F'.
\]

The unprimed coefficients in the principal coordinates can be expressed using the engineering notation as

\[
\begin{align*}
    c_{11} &= E_{11} (1 - \nu_{23} \nu_{32}) / \text{DET} \\
    c_{12} &= E_{22} (\nu_{12} + \nu_{13} \nu_{32}) / \text{DET} \\
    c_{13} &= E_{33} (\nu_{13} + \nu_{12} \nu_{23}) / \text{DET} \\
    c_{22} &= E_{22} (1 - \nu_{13} \nu_{31}) / \text{DET} \\
    c_{23} &= E_{22} (\nu_{32} + \nu_{31} \nu_{12}) / \text{DET} \\
    c_{33} &= E_{33} (1 - \nu_{12} \nu_{21}) / \text{DET} \\
    c_{44} &= G_{23} \\
    c_{55} &= G_{13} \\
    c_{66} &= G_{12}
\end{align*}
\]

where \( E_{22} = E_{33}, \ \nu_{12} = \nu_{13}, G_{12} = G_{13}, \ G_{23} = E_{22} / 2 (1 + \nu_{23}). \)
\( \nu_{13} E_{23} = \nu_{31} E_{11}, \nu_{12} E_{22} = \nu_{21} E_{11}, \) and \( \nu_{23} = \nu_{32} \) (leaving five independent constants as before) and

\[ \text{DET} = 1 - \nu_{12} \nu_{21} - \nu_{13} \nu_{31} - \nu_{23} \nu_{32} - \nu_{12} \nu_{23} - \nu_{13} \nu_{32} - \nu_{21} \nu_{32} - \nu_{31} \nu_{13} \nu_{23}. \]

The relation between \( G_{23}, E_{22}, \) and \( \nu_{23} \) shows transverse isotropy of the material.

**2.2 Displacement Equations of Equilibrium**

For a body at rest under the influence of only surface tractions the stresses must satisfy the three equations of equilibrium

\[ \sigma_{ij, j} = 0 \quad i, j = x, y, z \quad (2.2.1) \]

where the subscript(s) after a comma denotes partial differentiation with respect to that variable. On the surface

\[ T_i = \sigma_{ij} n_j \quad i, j = x, y, z \quad (2.2.2) \]

must be satisfied, where \( T \) is the surface traction vector and \( n \) is the outward normal vector of the surface.

The general equilibrium equations in terms of the displacements are obtained by substituting Equations (2.1.2)
into (2.1.4) and this into (2.2.1) to get

\[(C_{ijkl}(u_{1,k} + u_{k,l})), j = 0 \quad i, j, k, l = x, y, z \]  \hspace{1cm} (2.2.3)

in compact tensor notation. This yields three linear homogeneous elliptic second order coupled partial differential equations with constant coefficients. The surface tractions are represented in terms of the displacements by

\[T_i = \frac{1}{2} C_{ijkl}(u_{k,l} + u_{l,k}) n_j \quad i, j, k, l = x, y, z \]  \hspace{1cm} (2.2.4)

For some problems a cylindrical coordinate system may be more suitable. The cylindrical coordinates are \(r, \theta, z\). Rotating primed coordinates by \(\theta\) we get

\[x' = r \quad , \quad y' = \theta \quad , \quad \text{and} \quad z' = z.\]
The strain-displacement relations are then given by

\[ \varepsilon_r = u_x', r \]
\[ \varepsilon_\theta = \frac{u_x'}{r} + \frac{u_y', \theta}{r} \]
\[ \varepsilon_z = u_z', z \]

(2.2.6)

\[ \gamma_{r\theta} = \frac{u_x', \theta}{r} + u_y', r - \frac{u_y'}{r} \]
\[ \gamma_{rz} = u_x', z + u_z', r \]
\[ \gamma_{z\theta} = u_y', z + \frac{u_z', \theta}{r} \]

and the equations of equilibrium are

\[ \sigma_{r, r} + \frac{\tau_{r\theta}, \theta}{r} + \frac{\tau_{rz}, z + (\sigma_z - \sigma_\theta)}{r} = 0 \]

(2.2.7)

\[ \tau_{rz, r} + \frac{\tau_{z\theta}, \theta}{r} + \sigma_z, z + \frac{\tau_{rz}}{r} = 0 \]
\[ \tau_{r\theta, r} + \frac{\sigma_{r, \theta}}{r} + \tau_{z\theta, z} + \frac{2\tau_{r\theta}}{r} = 0 \]

The cylindrical stresses and strains are equal to the rotated cartesian stresses and strains and the equations of equilibrium may be expressed in terms of the rotated displacements. However, the stiffness coefficients of these
equations will then be periodic functions of \( \theta \) obtained by rotating \( \mathbf{C} \) through the angle \( \theta - \alpha \) using Equation (2.1.14) rather than constants. It can be seen that if the surface tractions and displacements and the geometry of a body have the same rotational symmetry as the stiffness (i.e. period of \( 2\pi \)) then the displacement functions which are solutions in these coordinates will also be periodic functions of \( \theta \) with period \( 2\pi \). This property of the solution may be used as a boundary condition to reduce the size of the domain, a factor which is often important to the effort required in analysis.

2.3 **Dimensional Analysis**

For every mathematical-physical problem a partial formulation of the solution in dimensionless parameters may be had by dimensional analysis. Further, by making the parameters non-dimensional, their number may be reduced thereby generalizing the results and avoiding investigation of redundant parameters.

Within the theoretical framework already described, the following material, geometry, and loading parameters are relevant to laminated composite plates with holes. As depicted they are \( R_x, R_y, t, w, l \) (for a circular hole \( R_x = R_y = R \)) as the structure's geometric parameters (see Figure 2.4); \( r, z, \theta \) or \( x, y, z \) as the coordinates; \( N_x, N_y, N_{xy}, M_x, M_y, M_{xy} \)
Figure 2.4 Plate geometric parameters.
which are defined as

\[
N_{ij} = \int_{-t/2}^{t/2} \sigma_{ij} \, dz, \quad M_{ij} = \int_{-t/2}^{t/2} \sigma_{ij} z \, dz \quad i,j=x,y,z \quad (2.3.1)
\]

as the edge loads (Figure 2.5); \(\alpha_i, h_i\) as the lamination parameters (Figure 2.3); \(a\) and \(\eta_f\) as the microstructural geometric variables (Figure 2.2); and \(E_{f1}, E_{f2}, \nu_{f1}, \nu_{f2}, G_f,\) as the engineering constants for transversely isotropic fibers as well as \(E_m, \nu_m\) for the isotropic matrix material.

By using the Effective Modulus (EM) approach, the elastic moduli of the constituents and \(\eta_f\) are replaced by their equivalent effective moduli \(E_{11}, E_{22}, \nu_{12}, \nu_{23}, G_{12}, G_{23}.\) Because the problem is linearly elastic, using standard methods the solution for any component of the displacement in a plate with an elliptical hole, for example, can be expressed in the form

\[
\bar{u} = \frac{N_X}{E_{11}} \bar{g}_1 + \frac{N_Y}{E_{11}} \bar{g}_2 + \frac{N_{XY}}{E_{11}} \bar{g}_3 + \\
\frac{M_X}{tE_{11}} \bar{g}_4 + \frac{M_Y}{tE_{11}} \bar{g}_5 + \frac{M_{XY}}{tE_{11}} \bar{g}_6 \quad (2.3.2)
\]

where \(\bar{g}_1, \bar{g}_2, \bar{g}_3 \ldots \bar{g}_6\) are all vectors of dimensionless functions of the variables
Figure 2.5 Plate loading parameters.
In this solution there are 2 fewer variables than there were at the outset. The stresses and strains are expressed similarly since they are linear combinations of the displacement first partial derivatives.

\[
\sigma = \frac{N_x}{t} \xi_1 + \frac{N_y}{t} \xi_2 + \frac{N_{xy}}{t} \xi_3 + \frac{M_x}{t^2} \xi_4 + \frac{M_y}{t^2} \xi_5 + \frac{M_{xy}}{t^2} \xi_6 \]

(2.3.3)

where \(\xi_1\) are vectors of dimensionless functions. These relations exhibit the linear relation between load and response and disclose the possibility of superposing the solutions from linearly independent combinations of the loads.

2.4 Discussion of the Theory

All of the previous material in this chapter, and indeed, all the other works which use the presented model have been presented with the tacit assumption that some mapping exists between field variables in the classical approach and those of models in which the individual phases (microstructure) are accounted for directly. It is beyond the scope of this work to assess the limitations of this theory, but some understanding of the verity of the model is possible without too much detail.
One interpretation discussed by Hashin(1983) is that of replacing field variables in a material having statistically homogeneous material properties by moving averages. In this approach a representative volume element (RVE) is used over which the field variables (e.g. displacement) are averaged. To be statistically homogeneous the average material properties (e.g. the relation between stress and strain) do not change as the RVE is moved through the body. So long as the size of the composite body is much larger than the RVE, and in turn the RVE is much larger than the unit cell (see Figure 2.2) then the classical relation (Equation (2.1.4)) between averaged stress and strain is valid for most practical problems. Therefore, replacing the composite with an equivalent homogeneous body is usually adequate. For example, in Equation (2.3.1) where the constituent material's moduli are replaced by the effective moduli, the geometrical parameter $R_xt/a^2$ does not vanish and still has some effect on the problem. However, so long as this parameter is large then for averaged field variables using a suitable RVE the two models will approximately agree. However, the classical approximation is based on the assumption of negligible strain gradients (see Hashin(1983)) and so is questionable for very high strain gradients.

When is the model invalid? For instance Pagano(1976) modeled a symmetric laminate having finite width and thickness with one reinforced and one unreinforced layer which included discretely modeled regularly arranged fibers surrounding the interface at the free edge. In the homogeneous model stress singularities and so high strain gradients are surmised to occur at the intersection of the interface between layers and the unloaded edge of the
laminate. Even near the singular point, averages over a unit cell's dimension in the micro-model were found to agree increasingly with the EM model as the relative fiber diameter decreased (i.e. as $Wt/a^2$ increased) and all other relative parameters remained constant. Encouragingly, these results show that EM validity can improve as the fibers become relatively small.
CHAPTER 3

ANALYSIS OF PLATES HAVING A CENTRAL CIRCULAR HOLE

3.1 Introduction and Literature Survey

Stress concentration around cutouts in homogeneous plates is a well known phenomena. In regard to laminates, as has been observed in straight edge problems, it is expected that Classical Lamination Theory (CLT) will suffice at some distance from the hole edge i.e. outside the boundary layer. For this region numerous exact and approximate solutions have been compiled for a variety of problems in anisotropic homogeneous plates under edge loading; e.g. Green and Zerna(1954), Lekhnitskii(1968), Lekhnitskii(1977), and Savin(1961). In particular, Savin presents a comprehensive collection of plane stress and plate theory solutions for plates with holes. Using the CLT approach these solutions can be used to approximate stresses in composite laminates; Gresczcuk(1972), for example, obtained the stresses in multilayered laminates symmetric about the midplane (i.e. no bending-membrane coupling).

As for the straight edge problem, boundary layer interlaminar stresses are implied in delamination damage and possibly intralaminar matrix cracking (e.g. Brinson and Yeow(1981)). For ultimate strength the effect of hole radius on ultimate strength of specimens has been reported (e.g. Pipes(1979)) and strength is predicted from a limited number of experimentally determined parameters; most researchers agree that this is an undesirable departure from
rational models.

Numerous studies of the elastic stresses within the boundary layer have been done. What follows is a brief synopsis of those most recent and most often referred to in the literature.

For a curved free edge, Tang (1977) used a boundary layer theory formulated in cylindrical coordinates to analyze infinite cross-plied laminates with a circular hole. He presented results for plates with very large ratios of the hole radius to laminate thickness (R/t>33) which predict finite values for the all interlaminar stresses on the hole surface.

Many solution methods have been polynomial-based formulations of the Finite Element Method (FEM). Some of these analyses suffered from either poor modeling or the use of too coarse meshes which resulted in incomplete or inaccurate solutions (Rybicki and Hopper (1973), Levy et al (1971), Rybicki and Schmeuser (1978), Dana (1973), and Lee (1982,1980)). These analyses were untimely since the power and availability of computing machines has increased dramatically in recent years.

Raju and Crews (1982a,1982b) studied the behaviour of [90/0]_s and [0/90]_s graphite-epoxy laminates with R/t=5 using displacement formulated three dimensional finite elements. They used an extremely dense mesh of finite elements radially surrounding the interface at the hole surface. The solution, requiring 19000 degrees of freedom, showed behaviour consistent with an expected singularity at
the interface. Raju and Crews (1981) also obtained solutions for θ=constant planes using the two-dimensional finite element formulation from the uniform extension problem with \( \varepsilon_0 \) imposed from the exact two-dimensional solution. These solutions showed good agreement with the full three dimensional solution at the singularity, but disagreed elsewhere on the free edge. Since \( \partial \sigma / \partial \theta \neq 0 \) for the hole problem, the uniform extension solution should not be expected to agree. The order of the singularity was estimated using the equation

\[
\sigma = \Lambda(\theta) \ r^{\omega-1} + O(r^{\omega-2}) \quad \omega < 1
\]

and \( \Lambda \) and \( \omega \) were determined from the FE results at small distances \( r \) from the singularity. \( \omega \) was observed to be constant.

Lucking et al. (1984) obtained comparable results with standard quadratic isoparametric elements by substructuring the boundary layer in two stages after the initial model of a finite width [0/90]s plate with a central circular hole. The model had fewer degrees of freedom than that of Raju and was used to show that the interlaminar normal stress \( \sigma_z \) at the hole surface on the midplane depends strongly on \( R/t \).

Altus and Bar-Yoeseph (1983) used a 3-D finite difference code and presented results for a [±45]s plate with a central circular hole. Bar-Yoeseph (1985) presented a variational-perturbation approach for elliptical holes in angle and cross-plied laminates and studied the effects of lay-up angle and hole aspect ratio for material properties
representing boron-epoxy and graphite-epoxy composites claiming accuracy for only very large ratios of diameter to plate thickness.

Wang (1986) used hybrid-stress finite elements which enforced the free edge conditions exactly with the Lagrange Multiplier technique to enforce displacement continuity at the interface. Using a coarse mesh results for $[0/90]_s$ and $[90/0]_s$ Graphite/Epoxy laminates with central circular holes having $R/t = 0.625$ were presented.

Many of the different approaches are claimed in some aspect to be superior. Numerical results have been concentrated on practical "benchmark problems" (e.g. balanced $A_{1s} = 0$, see appendix A) symmetric flat laminates with central circular holes) while assessing and developing methods. The problems are simple in geometry but are three dimensional and so have not been as accessible to many approximate methods as the two dimensional problems. Methods of determining the order of possible singularities directly have not been developed for curved free edges.

In this chapter the finite element technique used by Lucking et al (1984) is evaluated. For two crossplied symmetric Graphite/Epoxy composite plates in uniaxial tension, measurements of the strains on the hole surface are taken using miniature strain gages and compared with the model. Using the FE technique the effects of $R/t$ and hole reinforcement are studied for problems having two or three perpendicular planes of reflective symmetry in the geometry, material and loading.
3.2 Formulation and Solution Procedure

3.2.1 Introduction

The FE method is used to obtain approximate numerical strains and displacements from the theoretical model. FE methods, which have largely superceded Finite Difference (FD) methods in recent years enable point by point investigation in the space of input parameters; it easily accepts geometric, material, and loading data, and provides information, which is possibly quite dependent upon computational parameters, in a semi-discrete numerical form. Analysis becomes machine dependent and often cumbersome. There may be little opportunity in the process for mathematical insight.

Despite shortcomings, it does provides information which might otherwise be found only with great difficulty and expense by measurement or other more dialectical mathematical analysis. In the present work, it serves in providing approximate solutions in numerical form to the theoretical equations for comparison with measurement and to explore the model's behaviour for specific problems.
3.2.2 Finite Element Formulation

The problems studied are expected to contain a singularity; they are usually dealt with in several ways. Singular functions could be included in the approximation functions or the singularity can be ignored by using additional mesh refinement in that region and hoping that the non-singular functions will be adequate. Standard isoparametric polynomial-based finite elements are commonly available in well developed packages while singular three dimensional elements for this problem have not yet appeared. Another element or alternative method was not developed, instead a standard package was used and some degree of accuracy was obtained through mesh refinement.

There are many good texts which present and discuss the formulation of the finite elements to be used here, (e.g. Zienkiewicz (1977) and Cook (1974)). Briefly, for aspects of the method to be used here, the formulation is reviewed.

Displacements inside an elemental part of the domain (see Figure 3.2.1) are given by, for example,

\[ u = \sum_{i=1}^{n} N_i u_i = \bar{N} \bar{u}^e \quad (3.2.1) \]

where \( N_i, u_i \) are the values of \( N, u \) at the node \( i \), (\( N \) are termed shape, interpolatory, or trial functions) and strain in general is

\[ \bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{L} \bar{N} \bar{a} = \bar{B} \bar{a}^e \quad (3.2.2) \]
Figure 3.2.1 20 node isoparametric finite element with local and global coordinates
where \( \tilde{L} \) is an appropriate partial differential operator.

The shape functions, \( N_i(\eta, \xi, \zeta) \) for a 20 node element, shown in Figure 3.2.1 are:

for corner nodes (\( \xi = \xi_1, \eta = \eta_1, \zeta = \zeta_1 \))

\[
N_i = \frac{1}{8} (1 + \xi_0) (1 + \eta_0) (1 + \zeta_0) (\xi_0 + \eta_0 + \zeta_0 - 2);
\]

for midside nodes

\[
N_i = \frac{1}{4} (1 - \xi^2) (1 + \eta_0) (1 + \zeta_0) \text{ for } \xi = 0, \eta = \eta_0, \zeta = \zeta_0
\]

\[
N_i = \frac{1}{4} (1 - \xi^2) (1 + \eta_0) (1 + \zeta_0) \text{ for } \eta = 0, \xi = \xi_0, \zeta = \zeta_0
\]  \( (3.2.3) \)

\[
N_i = \frac{1}{4} (1 - \eta^2) (1 + \xi_0) (1 + \zeta_0) \text{ for } \eta = 0, \xi = \xi_0, \zeta = \zeta_0
\]

where

\[
\eta_0 = \eta \eta_i, \quad \xi_0 = \xi \xi_i, \quad \zeta_0 = \zeta \zeta_i.
\]

Based on the principle of minimum potential energy, and assuming no body forces, initial stresses or strain, the finite element statement is then

\[
\bar{q}^e = \bar{K}^e \bar{a}^e \quad (3.2.4)
\]
where \( \bar{\bar{R}}^e = \int B^T C B \, d\Omega \) and \( \Omega \) is the volume domain of the element. \( \bar{\bar{q}}^e, \bar{\bar{R}}^e, \) and \( \bar{\bar{a}}^e \), are known as the element force vector, stiffness matrix, and displacement vector respectively. The integral is evaluated by Gauss-Legendre quadrature.

The solution for the entire domain is obtained by solving the global set of linear equations

\[
\bar{\bar{q}} = \bar{\bar{K}} \bar{\bar{a}}
\]  \tag{3.2.5}

where \( \bar{\bar{q}} \) and \( \bar{\bar{a}} \) are the nodal force and displacement vectors and \( \bar{\bar{K}} \) is the global stiffness matrix. \( \bar{\bar{K}} \) and \( \bar{\bar{q}} \) are obtained by summing the contributions from the element stiffness matrices and force vectors for each node in the global model. \( \bar{\bar{K}} \) is a square matrix that is banded, symmetric, and positive definite.

It is usual to impose force boundary conditions in an approximate manner by setting the nodal forces to

\[
\bar{\bar{q}}^e = -\int_{\Gamma^e} \bar{N}^T \bar{\bar{\tau}} \, d\Gamma
\]  \tag{3.2.6}

where \( \bar{\bar{\tau}} \) is the prescribed surface traction and \( \Gamma^e \) is the boundary surface of the element. These equivalent nodal forces are derived by equating the work of the nodal forces through a virtual displacement to that of the surface tractions.
The easiest boundary condition to impose directly on the nodes is the nodal value of displacement. Compatibility is satisfied between elements; on the interface the displacement continuity is satisfied exactly while all stress boundary conditions and continuity conditions (i.e. the stresses required to be continuous may not be) are satisfied approximately. The displacement derivatives could be constrained; but the approximate solution, without special problems, will converge to the unique solution (where the solution exists) without constraints.

3.2.3 Problem Domains

The domain of a problem may be reduced by imposition of symmetry requirements. As was noted in Chapter 2, the elastic symmetry of laminates is such that the $\mathbf{C}$ tensor varies with period $2\pi$ w.r.t. $\theta$. If the loading and geometry share this periodic symmetry then so must the solution and only one half of the total domain need be modelled with periodic boundary conditions. In the special case of a crossplied laminate where all the layers have their principal axes in some sense aligned with the laminate axes (i.e. rotated by zero or $\pi/2$) the material properties also have reflective (or mirror) symmetry about the planes $x=0$, $y=0$. If loading and geometry share this property then so do the displacements. In cylindrical coordinates the displacements $u$ and $w$ are even functions of $\theta$ and $v$ is odd; further, $u$ and $w$ are even functions of $\theta \pm \pi/2$ while $v$ is
odd (the same as if \( u, w = \cos(2\theta) \) and \( v = \sin(2\theta) \)); in a laminate which is symmetric across the midplane, \( w \) is odd w.r.t. \( z \) while \( u \) and \( v \) are even.

Such configurations are fundamentally important; their symmetry facilitates and so enhances the analysis. In this chapter only laminates possessing reflective symmetry about the planes \( x = 0, y = 0 \) are analyzed. The problem is depicted in Figure 3.2.2.

3.2.4 Solution Procedure

Finite elements are required in a very dense mesh for accuracy in regions where the solution is poorly approximated by a low degree polynomial, especially near singular points in the solution domain (Strang and Fix (1973)). Mesh density comes at a cost in computer resources.

In the following problems, high stress gradients are expected to occur in a region surrounding the cutout. In order to increase the density of elements in this region the problem was broken down into 3 parts as shown in Fig.3.2.3. Solutions were obtained in stages using a technique that is similar to substructuring (Cook (1974)). By imposing the displacements taken from a cylindrical surface at a constant radius of a coarse mesh on the corresponding surface of subsequently generated finer mesh, greater accuracy in the region of interest, near the hole, can be achieved. In general, the number of elements on the surfaces were different so the nodal displacements imposed on each
Figure 3.2.2 Portion of structure modeled using boundary conditions from symmetry on $x=0, y=0$ (and $z=0$ for symmetric laminates).
Figure 3.2.3 Depiction of substructuring technique. Displacements from a cylindrical surface at $r-R=3t,t$ are imposed on the next mesh.
subsequent mesh were values interpolated from the previous mesh using a bicubic spline for each layer. The second derivative was set to zero where the slopes were not known from symmetry.

Loading was imposed on the first stage as pressures applied to each ply group on the surface $x = L/2$. The magnitudes of the pressures were determined using Classical Lamination Theory for the case of uniform strain in an infinite laminate with no hole; by the principle of St. Venant, the effect of the hole on the laminate stresses should become negligible away from the hole edge in all directions. Therefore, given that the dimensions of the model are sufficient, this loading is appropriate to approximate the case of an infinite laminate with a central circular hole. Displacement was not imposed because the effect of the hole on the displacements dies away less quickly than for the displacement gradients (the reason for this can be seen in the functional form $f(x^n)$ $n = -1, -2, -3, \ldots$ of the plane stress solutions for plates with holes).

The Finite Element Method as formulated previously is included in a general purpose linear problem computer program encoded in Fortran entitled SAP IV (see Bathe(1974)).

3.2.5 Qualification of Method

The FE results are accurate depending upon how 'close' they are in some sense to a solution which satisfies
all conditions of the model exactly. In this subsection accuracy is discussed and results are compared with high accuracy solutions and relevant exact solutions to the plane stress model for individual layers.

Convergence of solutions for the present formulation is expected to be problem dependent (for example, it will depend upon R/t). However, away from the singularity the rate of convergence of the displacements will be O(h^3), and O(h^2) for the stresses (Zienkiewicz 1977).

In the first of the three stages, the region outside the boundary layer must be accurate for following stages to be accurate. In Figure 3.2.4 for R/t=25 the present FE method for an orthotropic plate using properties shown in Table 3.1 and W/R=10 is compared with the exact solution for an infinite plate. For a single orthotropic layer, a formula for $\sigma_\theta$ on the hole surface is given by Lekhnitskii (1968) as

$$
\sigma_\theta = \sigma_0 \frac{E_\theta}{E_x} \left[ -\sqrt{\frac{E_x}{E_y}} \cos^2 \theta \\
+ \left[ 1 + \left( 2 \frac{E_x}{E_y} + \frac{E_x}{G_{xy}} - 2\nu_{xy} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] \sin^2 \theta \right] \quad (3.2.7)
$$

where

$$
\frac{1}{E_\theta} = \frac{\sin^4 \theta}{E_x} + \left[ \frac{1}{G_{xy}} - \frac{2\nu_{xy}}{E_x} \right] \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta + \frac{\cos^4 \theta}{E_y}
$$

and $E_x, E_y, \nu_{xy}, G_{xy}$ are the orthotropic elastic moduli (where, for example, $E_x = E_{11}$ when $\alpha = 0^\circ$, $E_x = E_{22}$ when $\alpha = 90^\circ$). The
Figure 3.2.4  Comparison of $\sigma_\theta$ at $r=R$ from first FE mesh for $\alpha=0^\circ$ layer with exact plane stress solution.
Table 3.1 Effective Elastic Moduli of Graphite/Epoxy

\[ E_{11} = 145 \text{ GPa (21.0 Msi)} \quad E_{22} = 10.7 \text{ GPa (1.55 Msi)} \]

\[ \nu_{12} = 0.31 \quad G_{12} = 4.5 \text{ GPa (0.65 Msi)} \quad \nu_{23} = 0.49 \]

(from Sandorff(1982))
small difference between the curves in Figure 3.2.4 can be accounted for by the finite width of plate in the FE model. Since stresses are a degree lower in order of convergence the displacements predicted by this mesh should be adequate.

Within the boundary layer in the vicinity of the expected singularity due to the interface intersection, the solution will be dominated by the singularity. Although it is at present unknown, if the asymptotic form of the singularity is surmised to be

\[ u = \lambda_1(\theta) r^\omega + O(r^{\omega+1}) \quad \omega < 1 \quad (3.2.8) \]

(where \( r \) is the radial distance from the singular line; \( \omega \) is the order or power, a constant depending only on the material properties for the problems considered here while the strength, or intensity \( \lambda_1(\theta) \) of the singularity is problem dependent (i.e. the material and loading). The rate of convergence near the singularity can be dominated by its order \( \omega \). The asymptotic expression for the stresses would be

\[ \sigma = \lambda_2(\theta) r^{\omega-1} + O(r^\omega). \quad (3.2.9) \]

Tong and Pian(1973) have shown that a reasonable expression for the order of convergence is

\[ \sigma - \sigma^e = O(h^{\omega-1/2}) \quad (3.2.10) \]

where \( \sigma^e \) is the FE stress, \( \sigma \) is the exact solution. In
theory, $\sigma$ could be found at some small $r$ by refining the mesh to the point where

$$\sigma \approx A r^{\omega-1}$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.2.11)$$

then fitting $\log(\sigma)$ vs. $\log(r)$ to a straight line as done by Raju (1981) to find $A$ and $\omega$. Alternatively, by fitting data (a nonlinear procedure) from various meshes to

$$\sigma - \sigma_0 = K(\theta) h^{\omega-1/2}$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.2.12)$$
at some small $r$ to determine $K$, $\omega$ and $\sigma$, then $A$ could be found from Equation (3.2.11). However, since $K$ and $A$ are presumed to be problem dependent this might require the procedure for each case. Further, the previous expressions are asymptotic and so are accurate only for values of $h$ smaller than is practical with the present scheme (considering error introduced by the polynomial interpolation between stages and limited computing resources). The nonlinear procedure was not attempted on this basis.

The effect of $h$ on the results can be demonstrated. Results were generated for two cases using $R/t=5$, $W/L=1.4$ and $W/R=6$ with the material properties shown in Table 3.2 for $[90/0]_g$ and $[0/90]_g$ plates. Based on the observation made in previous work by the author and others that the three dimensional boundary layer stresses become negligible outside of one laminate's thickness radially from the hole surface into the plate, the last two meshes in each case were generated for distances of three and one laminate thicknesses from the hole surface. Raju et
Table 3.2 Approximate Effective Elastic Moduli of Graphite/Epoxy

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Value</th>
<th>Unit</th>
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<tr>
<td>$E_{11}$</td>
<td>138 GPa</td>
<td>(20 Msi)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$E_{22} = E_{33}$</td>
<td>13.8 GPa</td>
<td>(2.0 Msi)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$\nu_{12} = \nu_{13} = \nu_{23}$</td>
<td>0.21</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$G_{12} = G_{13} = G_{23}$</td>
<td>5.9 GPa</td>
<td>(.85 Msi)</td>
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1) In general, shear moduli and Poisson's ratio are not all equal for actual materials.
al(1982a, 1982b) obtained solutions for these two cases using a mesh which was highly refined towards the singularity having about 19000 degrees of freedom. The elements bordering the interface had the radial dimension of about h/125 while in the present it is h/10. The mesh had a polar arrangement in the θ-plane progressively refined towards the singularity. The present solution took less than 8500 CPU seconds on a CDC series 179 830D mainframe computer (this number is typical for all solutions in this chapter since, the same or smaller meshes were used throughout).

The results of both solutions are shown in Figures 3.2.5-10. The stresses in the present problems are of most interest on the surface of the hole on the midplane (where due to symmetry ∂σz/∂z=0) and the interface levels where the singularity is expected. On each θ-plane inplane stress σθ will be maximum on the hole surface. In Figure 3.2.5 the distribution of σθ through the thickness is compared with Raju et al. The distribution is uniform except near the interface, especially near θ=90°. At the interface (see Figures 3.2.6, 7) the stress σz and τzθ are continuous and so are presented as averages between layers, the results in Figure 3.2.6 show that τzθ in both laminates differs only in magnitude between the two solutions; this can be seen by the identical zero crossing points. In Figure 3.2.7 σz at the interface shows similar behaviour but not as definitely as for τzθ. From both solutions, it appears that the τzθ singularity is stronger than σz and that σz is compressive everywhere except near θ=90°.
Figure 3.2.5 Normalized circumferential stress at r=R through the thickness from present and Raju et al (1982a,b).
Figure 3.2.6  Normalized interlaminar shear stress at z=h, r=R from present and Raju et al (1982a,b). Comparison shows the effect of mesh density as increasing the strength of the surmised stress singularity.
Figure 3.2.7 Normalized interlaminar normal stress at 
$z=h, r=R$ from present and Raju et al. (1982a, b). 
The higher density of the mesh used by Raju 
et al yields a similar distribution to the 
present of greater magnitude.
The interlaminar stress $\sigma_z$ displays sharp variation through the thickness. Shown in Figure 3.2.8 are comparisons for $\sigma_z$ through the thickness between the present model and Raju et al. The distributions are similar but are smoothed by reducing mesh density. This effect appears to be greatest at $\theta=90^\circ$. Away from the singularity, the solutions are expected to converge with less refinement than at the interface; there the agreement between the present solutions and Raju et al is much better. Their mesh was more refined towards the interface but still had a more dense mesh near the midplane than the present. Shown in Figure 3.2.9 is $\sigma_z$ from the present solutions where it is at a maximum in compression.

The effect of mesh refinement on the difference between the interlaminar stresses is apparent only near the expected singularity. Small disagreement elsewhere could theoretically be due to roundoff or discretization error, or the effect of the substructuring in the present method. At the singularity, the magnitude of the stresses are affected without severely altering distribution. Therefore, to its favour, the present method correctly predicts the sign and and shows a very similar distribution near the singularity with far fewer degrees of freedom than was used by Raju et al. In both solutions it was observed that the inplane stresses compare well to results obtained using the plane stress formulas for orthotropic homogeneous plates.

For designers it would be desirable to make use of the very accessible plane stress formulas (Equation 3.2.7)
Figure 3.2.8a) Normalized interlaminar normal stress at $r=R$, $\theta=0^\circ, 45^\circ$ through the thickness from present and Raju et al. (1982a,b). Distributions are similar with greatest disagreement near the surmised stress singularity.
Figure 3.2.8b) Normalized interlaminar normal stress at r=R, θ=90° through the thickness from present and Raju et al(1982a,b). Distributions are similar with greatest disagreement near the surmised stress singularity.
Figure 3.2.9 Normalized interlaminar normal stress at \( r=R \),
\( \theta=63^\circ, 72^\circ \) from the present model.
for laminates. There are two apparent methods for obtaining comparable solutions using the two-dimensional solution for an orthotropic plate (the crossplied laminate is not quasi-isotropic although \( Q_{11} = Q_{22} \) as for \([0/\pm 60]_s\), \([0/\pm 45/90]_s\), etc):

1) The far field stresses in the laminate predicted by CLT may be applied as edge loads to each layer; in this case the layers are loaded separately and so can deform independently. This will be referred to as the unbonded method.

2) The laminate is replaced by a single homogeneous plate loaded by the gross applied load having elastic moduli obtained from the laminate stiffness matrix (as done by Greszczuk (1972) and Raju et al) to obtain strain for the laminate from which stress in the layers can be found. The equivalent plate moduli are

\[
\nu_{xy} = \frac{\Lambda_{12}}{\Lambda_{22}} \quad \nu_{yx} = \frac{\Lambda_{12}}{\Lambda_{11}}
\]

\[
E_x = \Lambda_{11} (1 - \nu_{xy} \nu_{yx}) \quad E_y = \Lambda_{22} (1 - \nu_{xy} \nu_{yx}) \quad G_{xy} = \Lambda_{66}
\]

where \( \Lambda_{ij} \) \( i,j = 1,2,6 \) are elements of the laminate stiffness matrix defined in Appendix A. This will be referred to as the bonded method. This approach is basically the same as Classical Lamination Theory. The name is somewhat artificial since surface tractions would have to be applied to the hole surface for it to deform according to Kirchoff's hypothesis. This is one of the ways, as has been pointed out in early work in edge problems, in which Classical Lamination Theory
fails near free edges.

Equation (3.2.7) may be used with the principle of superposition to calculate $\sigma_\phi$ by either of the two methods. Shown in Figure 3.2.10 are the $\sigma_\phi$ determined from the two methods and the present FE solutions. It can be seen that the results of the unbonded method agree slightly better with the FE results in the $0^\circ$ layers while the bonded method is better in the $90^\circ$ layers. Overall, the bonded solution shows better agreement except that it is about 20% less in maximum stress concentration. In part, the difference is again due to the finite width of the laminate in the FE model. It can also be observed that debonding of the plies raises the stress concentration at $\theta=90^\circ$ in the $0^\circ$ layer; this may be relevant to the situation after interface delamination indicating an increased likelihood of complete failure over the integral plate.

3.2.6 Summary and Conclusions

Standard finite elements can be used with a substructuring technique to obtain solutions which compare well with results of a very high density mesh. The interlaminar stresses are dependent on mesh density near the singularity but their sign and distribution on the hole surface were largely unaffected. The computer resources required for a three dimensional problem are relatively high such that ignoring the singularity in the solution may be costly.
Figure 3.2.10 Normalized circumferential stress at $r=R$, $z=3h/2$, $z=h/2$ from present FE and two methods using the exact solution for plane stress in single layers.
Two different schemes to estimate the inplane stresses in a laminate using plane stress formulae for orthotropic layers are presented. The methods yield different results since they roughly model the laminate having bonded and unbonded layers.
3.3 Strain Measurement and Analysis

3.3.1 Introduction

Some confidence in the results of the present model will be justified if they agree with results measured from actual composite laminates of practical utility.

In the past, strain analysis by measurement has been done by Daniel, Rowland, and Whiteside of surface strains on the faces of fiber-reinforced plates using strain gages, Moire grid, and birefringent coatings and compared to two-dimensional linear elastic finite element and exact solutions (e.g. Daniel et al (1973, 1974, 1978, 1980)). There was excellent agreement observed except in the small region surrounding the hole, i.e. the boundary layer. This indicates that the methods used to measure strain, characterize the material, and mathematically model the problem are satisfactory at the level of analysis used outside the boundary layer.

To the author's knowledge, measurements of hole surface strains have not previously been taken with the intent of investigating the boundary layer phenomena. For straight edges it has been the interlaminar shear strain which has been measured while the interlaminar normal strains were not. Note that in all methods, some additional material was bonded to the specimen surface.
3.3.2 Preliminary Problem and Methods Analysis

3.3.2.1 Analysis of Hole Surface Strains and Stresses

Since on the hole surface

$$\sigma_r = \tau_{r\theta} = \tau_{rz} = 0$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.3.1)

the remaining stresses may be expressed in terms of the strains by using the Hooke's law relations

$$\sigma_z = \frac{r_z S_{zz} - r_\theta S_{z\theta}}{S_{zz} S_{zz} - S_{z\theta}^2}$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.3.2)

$$\sigma_\theta = \frac{r_\theta S_{zz} - r_z S_{z\theta}}{S_{zz} S_{zz} - S_{z\theta}^2}$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.3.3)

$$\tau_{z\theta} = \frac{\nu_{zz}}{S_{zz}}$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.3.4)

where

$$S_{zz} = s^2 / E_{zz} + c^4 / E_{zz} + 2( - \nu_{zz} / E_{zz} + 1 / (2G_{zz}) ) c^2 s^2$$

$$S_{z\theta} = 1 / E_{zz}$$

$$S_{zz} = - \nu_{zz} c^2 / E_{zz} - \nu_{zz} s^2 / E_{zz}$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.3.5)

$$S_{zz} = c^2 / G_{zz} + s^2 / G_{zz}$$
and \( c = \cos(\theta - \alpha) \) \( s = \sin(\theta - \alpha) \).

Using these equations \( \sigma_z \) and \( \sigma_\theta \) may be determined from measured values of the two strains \( \varepsilon_z \) and \( \varepsilon_\theta \) while \( \gamma_{z\theta} \) requires \( \gamma_{z\theta} = \partial w/\partial \theta + \partial v/\partial z \) be measured. For holes with \( R/t > 1 \) the term \( \partial w/\partial \theta \) was found in the FE results to be less than 5% of the strain \( \gamma_{z\theta} \).

Of the two locations considered (i.e. the midplane and interface), the midplane is the most favourable for measurements. At the midplane \( \gamma_{rz} \) and \( \gamma_{z\theta} \) are both zero due to symmetry while more importantly \( \varepsilon_z \) is maximum (so \( \partial \varepsilon_z/\partial z = 0 \)). Therefore, \( \varepsilon_z \) and \( \varepsilon_\theta \) are the principal strains and \( \sigma_z \) and \( \sigma_\theta \) are the principal stresses.

Since the strains measured are inevitably affected by extraneous influences to some degree, and considering the complexity of the Equations (3.3.2-5) it seems prudent to investigate what influence differences in the stresses will result from differences (e.g. between FE and measured or actual and measured etc.) in the strains. Beginning with Equation (3.3.2) and assuming the difference between 2 sets of strains \( \varepsilon \) and \( \varepsilon' \) to be bounded by

\[
| \varepsilon - \varepsilon' | < \eta_0 + \eta_1 | \varepsilon | \tag{3.3.5}
\]
where \( \eta_0 \) and \( \eta_1 \) are constants (\( \eta_0 \) is in strain units). A bound on the error in \( \sigma_z \) may be found from

\[
\left| \sigma_z - \sigma_z \right| < \frac{\eta_0 (|S_{22}| + |S_{23}|) + \eta_1 (|S_{22}^\epsilon \sigma_z| + |S_{23}^\epsilon \phi|)}{|S_{22} S_{23} - S_{23}^2|} \tag{3.3.7}
\]

Purely for demonstration, the low values \( \eta_0 = 1 \ \mu \) and \( \eta_1 = 0.05 \) were used with \( \epsilon \) from the FE model at \( z = 0 \). Figure 3.3.1 shows \( \sigma_z / \sigma_0 \) and the bounds from equation (3.3.7) for both laminates. While bounds are always conservative they do show that small differences in the strains may cause larger errors in \( \sigma_z \).

3.3.2.2 Measurement by Strain Gages

After surveying the available methods, miniature strain gages were chosen to measure the hole surface strains \( \epsilon_z \) and \( \epsilon_\phi \). For the normal strains this well-developed technique offers accuracy and convenience without requiring a direct line of access to the hole surface. The usual method of strain rosettes was deemed unfeasible in the presence of large predicted gradients in the region of interest near the interface for the scale of the problem. Unfortunately, strain gages which measure transverse gradients are not apparently available. The strain gage principle of operation requires elongation in the foil direction; using parallel foils to measure a transverse gradient would approximate \( \partial \varepsilon / \partial \phi \partial z \) rather than \( \partial \varepsilon / \partial z \). Shear strain measurement on actual laminates requires a
Figure 3.3.1 Interlaminar normal stress at r=R, z=0 from FE models of plates without gages (broken lines) and error bounds from Equation (3.3.7) using \( \eta_0 = 1 \ \mu \varepsilon \) and \( \eta_1 = .05 \).
different approach.

It would be a mistake to consider strain gages with too much familiarity for the present problems. From other studies (Beatty (1979) and Stehlin (1972)) the materials used in this application of strain gages should not have any special problems such as reinforcement effects, but there are other aspects to consider. Although the material interface discontinuity in the FE model is artificial it remained to be seen what behaviour exists in the actual laminate. The singularity arises because the lines of material discontinuity form a sharp corner: placing a third material over the singularity will conceivably have the same effect and alter the behaviour. Further, high gradients expected near the singularity may not transfer well through the two materials and the variation of strain under the gage length will cause the measured value to differ from the point value at the gage center and also may make the measured value sensitive to the gage position.

The gage positioning has three possible errors of which translation in the z direction is most suspect. An approximate expression for the change in the average strain \( \bar{\varepsilon}_z \) of a gage centered at \( z = z_0 \) due to a shift \( \Delta z_0 \) is

\[
\varepsilon_z \approx \varepsilon_z(z) \Delta z_0 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial \varepsilon_z}{\partial z} \left( z_0 + \frac{\Delta z_0}{2} \right) \left( z_0 - \frac{\Delta z_0}{2} \right) \tag{3.3.8}
\]

i.e. the jump of \( \varepsilon_z \) and \( \partial \varepsilon_z / \partial z \) across the gage length.

When considered as a single foil element of initial
length \( l_o \) perfectly bonded to the surface of the specimen and aligned in the z direction (see Figure 3.3.2), a 'strain' gage centered at position z would actually measure

\[
\varepsilon = \frac{l_f - l_o}{l_o} = \int_0^{l_o} \frac{\sqrt{(1+\partial w/\partial z)^2 + (\partial v/\partial z)^2 + (\partial u/\partial z)^2}}{l_o} \, dz - 1
\]

\[
\tilde{\varepsilon} = \int_0^{l_o} \frac{\sqrt{1+2(\partial w/\partial z)}}{l_o} \, dz - 1 \quad (3.3.9)
\]

where \( l_o, l_f \) are the initial and final length; also note that

\[
\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \frac{\Delta l}{l} = \varepsilon_z
\]

for continuous \( \varepsilon_z \) when \( \partial v/\partial z \) and \( \partial u/\partial z \) are omitted. From the FE results it is observed that gradients in the \( \theta \) direction are relatively small in relation to the z direction and the dimensions of the gages. In the z direction, the transverse displacement w as well as the circumferential and radial displacements v and u all vary in the z direction. Although these z direction gradients may all exist in large magnitude at the singularity, the approximate expression should be accurate since the squares of the gradients in Equation (3.3.9) should be negligible.
Figure 3.3.2 Single foil element represented as a line.

A point A located at \((0, 0, z)\) on the undeformed length \(l_0\) will have the position
\((u(z), v(z), z + w(z))\) on the deformed length \(l_f\).

The final length is then
\[
l_f = \int_0^{l_0} \sqrt{(du/dz)^2 + (dv/dz)^2 + (1+dw/dz)^2} \, dz.
\]
3.3.2.3 Specimen Analysis

Comparisons between macro and micro models (i.e. on the macro and micro structural levels) are made with volume and surface averages i.e. minivariables. The minimum strain gage length is fixed at a present limit of about 15 graphite fiber diameters. An advantage of this is that random variations due to fiber position are likely to be mitigated. Since the ratio $l/a$ is fixed $Rt/a^2$ must be set for the specimen. High $Rt/a^2$ provides a workable surface area and more information on the distribution. Low $Rt/a^2$ is of interest since the theory is expected to be less accurate as this decreases. The commercial material is a tape of which seven plies were used in each layer of the specimens. Therefore, the measured results are for a relatively thick laminate and should be regarded in this light which is favourable towards the theory.

To model the experimental specimens the FE meshes were generated in the same manner as in the previous section except that for the third stage where two additional elements on the hole surface were placed as depicted in Figure 3.3.3 to represent the strain gages. These elements covered the entire hole surface and had one of three sets of properties: either adhesive, backing or a combination of foil and backing. This coarse mesh crudely models the actual instrumented plates.

The assumptions about the geometry of the plates may have some bearing on the results. The layer thicknesses, in contrast with homogeneous materials, determine the effective moduli. Specifically, for two plates having fiber volume
Figure 3.3.3 θ-plane distribution of finite elements used to model experimental specimens. Results were obtained both with and without gage and adhesive elements.
contents \( \eta \) and thickness \( t \),

\[
\eta f_1 t_1 = \eta f_2 t_2 = \text{a constant.} \tag{3.3.10}
\]

The layers follow the same relation. If the plate thickness or layer thicknesses varies, so do the material properties. It is assumed in the model that the layer thicknesses are equal and that the plates are symmetric, also that the material is integral. Asymmetry would cause bending deformations to occur. Bending of the plate was measured but was found to be insignificant. In fact, the total thickness of the plates varied about \( \pm 8\% \) in a wavy manner. Presumably, the layer thicknesses vary accordingly though not necessarily such that their relative thicknesses were constant. If the results are very sensitive to the material properties this could be a source of scatter.

### 3.3.2.4 Summary

Two normal strains on the hole surface can be measured by strain gages to yield the two normal stresses. It was shown by a simple analysis that the calculated stresses may be sensitive to changes in the strains. Strain gages measure the average over the gage length and should not be sensitive to other gradients. Because material is adhered to the hole surface across the singularity, the gages are included in the FE model of the relatively thick specimen.

In this subsection, the problem methods have been analyzed to reveal possible sources of error which have been
discussed and some expressed mathematically. While all these errors are possible, it remains to be seen if they are significant in magnitude.

3.3.3 Specimen Preparation and Experimental Procedures

Two specimens were prepared having the dimensions and properties shown in Table 3.3. All plates were cured in an autoclave according to manufacturer's specifications. After trimming the specimen edges and gluing fiberglass tabs to the ends the central and grip holes were drilled with a diamond drill. The holes were finished by boring with a carbide boring tool without fluid at 250 rpm, a feed rate of 12.7mm/minute, and with a depth of cut of .127mm. This left a smooth clean surface on the hole except in quadrants where the tool point travelled directly against the fibers and some tearing occurred, as well some fiber splitting occurred on the exiting side of the plate. Before mounting gages the surfaces were lightly sanded and prepared according to the manufacturer's guidelines (see also Tuttle and Brinson(1984)).

Gages were installed on the hole surface using a special jig (see Figure 3.3.4) in a pattern such as is shown in Figure 3.3.5. The symmetry of the specimens provides up to eight equivalent sights for some measurements. The positioning of the gages through the thickness was in error on average about .127mm from the desired location. Three gage lengths, .203mm, .381mm, .787mm (hereafter referred to only by these numbers without units) were used to measure the transverse normal strain while .381mm gages measured the
Table 3.3 Geometric Dimensions and Material Properties of Test Specimens

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<td>Hole Diameter:</td>
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Elastic Moduli

| E₁₁ | 137.5 GPa | 144.2 GPa |
| E₂₂ | 10.1 GPa  | 10.6 GPa  |
| ν₁₂ | 0.29      | 0.29      |
| ν₂₂ | 0.48      | 0.48      |
| G₁₂ | 5.4 GPa   | 6.0 GPa   |

(1) A common error in the measurement of $\eta_f$ using the standard procedure ASTM D-3171-76 is the reduction of weight in water due to bubbles on the specimen. This decreases $\eta_f$:
Table 3.3 cont'd

so that for duplicate measurements, the higher $\eta_f$ was chosen. Evidence that the $\eta_f$ chosen are correct can be seen in the fact that the product:

fiber volume x thickness

is very nearly equal for both plates.

(2) tolerance is range of variation in thickness, not measurement accuracy.

(3) From symmetry and transverse isotropy it is assumed that $\nu_{12} = \nu_{13}, E_{32} = E_{22}, G_{13} = G_{12},$ and $G_{23} = E_{33}/2/(1 + \nu_{23}).$
Table 3.4: Strain Gage Dimensions and Properties

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(1) Dimensions and properties were obtained from the manufacturer by private communication.

(2) Assuming isotropy and using rule of mixtures.
The foil is assumed to cover 50% of the gage area. Therefore, the foil volume content is 
(.5 x .0001)/(.001 + .0001) = .04545.

(3) Assuming isotropy and using rule of mixtures.
Foil volume content is (.5 x .0001)/.0024 = .02083
See note (2).
Figure 3.3.4 Strain gage mounting jig. Gage is aligned with marks and lightly adhered to the mounting face of the slider as shown in the exploded section. The needle is level with the horizontal mark and can be referenced at the interface. Positioning is done by rotating the table and the micrometer head.
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Figure 3.3.5 Typical gage mounting pattern on the hole surface.
circumferential strain in equivalent positions. The .381mm and .787mm gages have very similar construction while the .203mm gages were made with a different backing material. The properties of the gages are listed in Table 3.4. The hole surfaces were instrumented two times to obtain the data presented here. Between runs less than .13mm was machined from the hole radius to clear the surface for reinstrumentation. This small change in R/t is assumed to have a negligible effect on the results and so the data are mixed from the two replications of the experiment.

The specimens were mounted in a load frame as shown in Figure 3.3.6. The 'Whipple-tree' grip mechanisms are designed to apply four equal loads to the specimen; the distribution is somewhat less than uniform. The loading rate was less than 5mm/minute in all cases.

During the tests the gages were excited with 150 mV for the .381mm and .787mm gages and 80 mV for the .203mm gages as is recommended by the manufacturer for optimum accuracy (Micro-Measurements 1979). The specimens were loaded through four cycles while strain data were recorded using a digital acquisition system.

The strain data were analyzed by linear regression (e.g. see Mandel (1964)) to obtain the slope of the stress/strain response curve for each gage. The intercepts and variances were also calculated to detect anomalous behaviour. The final averaged slopes were corrected for the effects of the transverse sensitivity of the gages taking
Figure 3.3.6  Specimen loading and data acquisition equipment.
into account the fact that \( K_t \) is different for the three types of gages used (Micro-Measurements (1982)). The .381mm circumferential gages were used to correct all of the transverse gages and to obtain the results listed in Appendix C.

For comparison with the measured results data representing the specimen's material elastic constants, geometry and loading are required. Geometry and loading are straightforward. To obtain sets of effective elastic constants for the two plates, the fiber volume content for each was determined from a sample. Two further plates \([0_s]\) and \([\pm 45_s]\) were made from the same batch of material used to make the holed plates, and characterized. The fiber volume content of each plate from which specimen's were cut was determined using the ASTM standard procedure D 3171-76. The elastic moduli in Table 3.3 were determined using this data and Hashin's equations in the manner described in Appendix B.

### 3.3.5 Results and Discussion

The results of the measured strain data from Tables C1,2 are plotted with FE solution results in Figures 3.3.7-9,11,13.
3.3.5.1 Midplane Strains

In Figures 3.3.7, 8 are shown the results at the midplane. For both cases the FE model shows little effect of the gages. The measured results are in excellent agreement for both $\varepsilon_z$ and $\varepsilon_\theta$ in the [90/0]_s case; for $\varepsilon_z$ in the [0/90]_s case the agreement is fair. In the [0/90]_s, the discrepancy increasingly occurs towards the axis perpendicular to the load axis where the strains are, in general, the highest.

One difference between the two laminates is the orientation of the middle plies. The [0/90]_s has a 90° ply on the midplane so $\nu_{23}$ and $E_{22}$ increasingly govern the strain near $\theta=90°$ where $\varepsilon_\theta$ is highest, while in the [90/0]_s, $E_{11}$ and $\nu_{13}$ govern the strain. The determination of the latter two moduli (a simple rule of mixtures) is a much less complex and more accurate process than for the former; $\nu_{23}$ required measurement on the edge of a specimen using a miniature gage. The material properties were derived from approximate formulas using measured data. Before questioning the model, the procedures by which the effective moduli were obtained should be investigated.
Figure 3.3.7  Circumferential normal strain from midplane of instrumented models at $r=R-t_a-t_g$ and $r=R$ of uninstrumented models and measured values.
Figure 3.3.8 Interlaminar normal strain from midplane of instrumented FE models at \( r=R-t_a-t_g \) and \( r=R \) of uninstrumented models and measured values.
3.3.3.3 Interface Circumferential Strains

The circumferential strain from the interface is shown in Figure 3.3.9. Agreement is good except for the one unexplained point for the [0/90]_{s} case at θ=67.5°. At this point, first the higher reading was measured. The gage was then removed and another gage was applied and the measured strain was again high indicating that the cause was in the plate (the measurement system was thoroughly checked). After the hole was resurfaced in preparation for new measurements and a new gage was applied in a different but equivalent location; the lower reading was obtained. Cracking between fibers under the gage may have occurred but was not observed (a closed crack would not be detected visually). Because of the order of procedure, the cause of the first reading is unknown.

3.3.5.3 Interface Transverse Strain

The FE results indicate that the measured transverse strain (or interlaminar strain) at the interface is modified by the presence of gages in the model. This strain, taken from different radii of the model is shown in Figure 3.3.10 (for the uninstrumented plate the ε_{z} is discontinuous and so shown is the average between adjacent elements bordering the interface). The difference in ε_{z} between the instrumented and uninstrumented models at r=R shows that the coating influences the surmised singularity. Further, the differences in the instrumented model between ε_{z} on the
hole/adhesive, adhesive/gage, and gage surfaces show that the strain is poorly transferred to the gage surface. Overall these predicted effects significantly alter the strain intended to be measured.

Figure 3.3.11 shows comparison between the measured and FE results. Between $45^\circ$ and $90^\circ$ the results do show definitely better overall agreement between the FE models with the gages included than with the uninstrumented model in both cases. These effects were predicted by the model and are for the present case a shortcoming of the measurement system, but since one important aspect of the work is to investigate the validity of the model the experiments were carried out. The transfer effect on the strain may be reduced by decreasing the relative thickness of the gages and adhesive layer, i.e. using a thicker specimen to reduce the gradients under the gage. It is not shown, but the strain measured by the ideal gage from Equation (3.3.9) evaluated at the interface was negligibly different from $\varepsilon_Z$ in the FE results, as expected.

Shown in Figure 3.3.12 is the gage surface distribution of $\varepsilon_Z$ through the thickness of the FE model with a polyimide gage coating for both plates (the distributions from the epoxy gage model are negligibly different). Not shown is $\varepsilon_\theta$ which is nearly uniform through the thickness except near $\theta=90^\circ$ where the strain in each layer differs and so is sloped across the interface. For detail near the interface $\varepsilon_Z$ is shown discontinuous although in the gage it must be continuous. The average strain measured inside each gage length must fall within the two
Figure 3.3.9  Circumferential strain from the interface of instrumented FE models at $r=R-t_a-t_g$ and $r=R$ of uninstrumented models with measured values.
Figure 3.3.10  Interlaminar normal strain at z=h of FE models. These plots show the effect of instrumenting the hole surface on the layer interface of the plate and on the transfer of strain through the adhesive and gage to the foils.
Figure 3.3.11 Interlaminar normal strain from the layer interface of instrumented models at \( r=R-t_a-t_g \) and \( r=R \) of uninstrumented models and measured strains from three gage lengths.
Figure 3.3.12 Interlaminar normal strain at $r=R-t_a-t_g$ of model instrumented with polyimide gages.
extreme values in that interval. The measured strain will be sensitive to the gage position depending upon the distribution of $\varepsilon_z$. From the distributions, the .203mm gages are expected to be the most sensitive to positioning. From a visual inspection $\Delta \varepsilon_{0}$ for the .203mm gages are as shown in Table 3.5. The jumps (i.e. difference) in $\varepsilon_z$ and $\partial \varepsilon_z / \partial z$ across the gage length are expected to change near the singularity with mesh refinement. $\varepsilon_z$ is expected to be complex and error due to positioning makes accurately fitting an approximating function to the limited data unpromising.

At $\theta=0^\circ$ the jump is small and the strain is nearly uniform, in agreement with the magnitude and distribution of the measured results in Figure 3.3.11.

The strain is small at $\theta=18^\circ, 27^\circ$ but the distribution changes between these two angles. The measured results at $\theta=22.5^\circ$ agree very well in both cases except the .381mm gage in the [90/0]$_s$ case. The .381mm gage is wider than the .203mm and so would be more sensitive to the greater change with $\theta$ in this case.

The .381mm gage measured a lower average than the .203mm gage in both plates at $\theta=45^\circ$; this is not compatible with FE results. Since the distribution is nearly symmetric, if the magnitude near the surmised singularity is greatly increased any shift of the .203mm gage will lower its average; this is much less so for the .381mm gages. This explanation is correct in trend but it is doubtful if the
magnitudes even in a refined mesh will confirm this. The 0.203mm gages were well positioned. The FE results give no indication of a sign change near the singularity while it is clearly indicated in the measured results. This could be evidence of influence of the microstructure. Angles between fibers do not change, the influence of the microstructure could depend upon the angle at which fibers intersect the edge.

At $\theta=63^\circ, 72^\circ$ $\Delta r_z$ can be large, increasing or decreasing from a shift in position, and it increases as the gage length decreases. For example, for the $[0/90]_s$ case (using $r_z$ from Figure 3.3.12)

$$
\Delta r_z \approx -39 \frac{AZ_0}{h} - 275 \frac{AZ_0^2}{h^2}
$$

$\frac{AZ_0}{h} = \pm 0.117$ inches yields $\Delta r_z \approx -6.43$ from Equation (3.3.8).

The average is increasing inversely to gage length which the $[0/90]_s$ measured results agree but not the $[90/0]_s$. Very poor positioning of the .203mm gage explains the $[90/0]_s$ case. The strain at the actual shifted position is about $-20 \mu e/MPa$ which is just what the gage measured. In the $[0/90]_s$ case, the strain measured by the well positioned .203mm gage is very large and in agreement with the present FE distribution if the effects of mesh refinement are allowed.

$\Delta r_z$ is small but the slope changes in sign at $\theta=90^\circ$ approaching the interface from either side in the same
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manner as for $\sigma_z$. The .203mm gages which measured this 
strain were well positioned. In both cases can be seen that 
the average $\varepsilon_z$ measured is a much larger negative value for 
the longer .381mm gage. The change is much larger than the 
distribution from the present FE results show. The sharper 
distribution which is surmised to occur with higher mesh 
density would be more compatible.

To summarize the results for $\varepsilon_z$ at the interface, the 
measured $\varepsilon_z$ agree within reasonable limits with the 
present results from the model. The distribution through the 
thickness at $\theta=45^\circ$ does not, in either case, agree in a 
manner which can, beyond the assumptions considered to be 
salient, be accounted for here. In support of the present 
results from the model the measured distributions are 
compatible elsewhere; moreover agreement improves 
when the surmised influence of mesh density is allowed.

The situation very near the interface is apparently 
more complex than the present methods can predict with great 
numerical accuracy; more detailed work is necessary before 
any conclusion can be made about the adequacy of the model 
in this region.

3.3.5.4 Stresses from Strains

Finally, shown in Figure 3.3.13 are comparisons of 
the stresses calculated from FE and measured strains. As 
expected, $\sigma_\theta$ shows excellent agreement at the midplane while 
$\sigma_z$ is sensitive to the difference in strains.
Figure 3.3.13 Interlaminar normal stress (top) and circumferential stress from the FE model and measured strains at r=R, z=0.
3.3.5.5 Discussion

Regarding the overall success of the analysis it must be emphasized that due to the predicted behaviour of the measurement system for \( \varepsilon_z \) at the interface agreement was achieved only after that effect was accounted for and not directly as was desired. Some evaluation of the measurement system and general approach in light of the results is appropriate.

The measurement system suffers from problems of scale. The results indicate that due to high macro-strain gradients positioning accuracy of the gages became a significant factor and the strain would not transfer unaltered through a relatively thick gage. Also, the minimum gage length available will not measure over a single fiber diameter as would be desirable to guide and verify the theory. Because of these effects the gages were approximately represented in the model. This is cumbersome, contributes further to error, and further discourages more rigorous methods of obtaining solutions. While awaiting further theoretical developments in analysis at the microstructural level of composites or measurement techniques of higher resolution which do not interfere and could be applied to this problem, it would be useful to construct enlarged models for measurements.

By increasing the absolute diameter of the fiber, for example by a factor of ten, while maintaining the relative material (by using a cheaper linear elastic material),
loading and geometric parameters constant for relevant problems, the observed effects of scale could be mitigated without great expense. This recommendation is based not only on the results observed here, but also on the reading done in preparation for the present work. As was mentioned in the introduction to this section such work has been conducted, but none sufficiently relevant to the material system of concern in this work.

3.3.6 Conclusions and Recommendations for Future Work

Strain gages can give accurate measurements of the circumferential strain, and the interlaminar normal strain away from the interface. At the interface, the discrepancies in $\varepsilon_z$ between the instrumented model and measurements are attributed to $h$-dependence of strain in the FE results and effects of scale in the measuring system. Comparison improves after accounting for these factors.

From what has been learned in the present analysis, to obtain more detailed measurements without influence of the measurement system near the interface, enlarged fiber-reinforced models could be used.

For a straight edge, Kriz (1977) determined using a perturbation solution that the interlaminar stress distributions of Gr/Ep [±45]s laminates were particularly sensitive to the $G_{23}$ modulus. While this study used a questionable method of solution it was feasible because the computational efficiency of the method facilitated the work. In future work on the present problem, some analysis of the
sensitivity of the boundary layer behaviour to the material properties using a more efficient method of solution should be performed to determine if errors in the experimentally determined elastic moduli will significantly influence the behaviour and effect comparison with measured results.
3.4 FE Analysis of Selected Problems

3.4.1 The Influence of R/t on [0/90]_s, [90/0]_s Laminates

It can be seen in the literature survey in Section 3.1 that all prior analyses apart from Lucking et al (1984) which had reasonable solution accuracy were done for a fixed or very large value of R/t. In this subsection the model is used to study [0/90]_s and [90/0]_s laminates having the material properties listed in Table 3.1 for R/t varied over a range of 1-25.

To vary R/t the thickness parameter was varied while R remained fixed. The same number of elements were used for each mesh with the distribution of elements in the \( \theta \)-plane of the third stage for each case as shown in Figure 3.4.1; this mesh models the 3-D interlaminar stress boundary layer. In comparing the results using this scheme, because the mesh density varies and the effect on solution accuracy near the singularity is significant but unquantified, the interlaminar stresses near the singularity cannot be compared between solutions. Specifically, on a \( \theta \)-constant plane \( h/t \) is constant but \( h/R \) varies directly with \( R/t \) being lowest for \( R/t=25 \); therefore the mesh density relative to the radial dimension of the inplane stress boundary layer varies directly with \( R/t \). This precludes definite comparison between the interlaminar stresses at the interface for different \( R/t \) values.

The interlaminar stresses at the interface on the
Figure 3.4.1 θ-plane distribution of finite elements in the final stage of model used for R/t study.
hole surface are shown in Figure 3.4.2 and 3.4.3. In the solutions \( \tau_{z\theta} \) increases with \( R/t \). Stacking sequence reverses the sign but otherwise has a negligible effect so only the \([0/90]_s\) case is shown. \( \sigma_z \) averaged between layers in Figure 3.4.3 is small and shows little change with \( R/t \). In Figure 3.4.4 the distribution through the thickness for the extreme \( R/t \) values is shown. \( \tau_{z\theta} \) is the stronger of the two interlaminar stresses for all \( R/t \) shown. \( \tau_{rz} \) (not shown), which must vanish on the hole surface, did not exceed 10% of the applied stress.

In Figure 3.4.5 \( \sigma_z \) on the hole surface at the midplane is plotted for varying \( R/t \). These results are expected to be accurate since little change was observed between each stage of the solution and the midplane is furthest from the singularity on the hole surface. The distribution is greatly affected by \( R/t \) and is radically different for the two stacking sequences. \( \sigma_z \) on the midplane may be maximum in tension depending upon \( R/t \) and stacking sequence; for maximum in tension the two stacking sequences show reversed trends with \( R/t \). It should also be remembered that the signs of the stresses will be reversed for applied compressive stress and that stresses from the two stacking sequences can be superposed for biaxial loading.

In Figure 3.4.5 the change in \( \sigma_z \) between increasing increments of \( R/t \) is decreasing. For example, in both cases it changes far more between 1.00 and 12.5 than it does between 12.5 and 25. A similar trend, although affected by
Figure 3.4.2 Interlaminar shear stress at $r=R, z=h$ from FE model of $[0/90]_5$. The distribution for the $[90/0]_5$ case is nearly identical except in sign.
Figure 3.4.3 Interlaminar normal stress at r=R, z=h for thick and thin laminates (R/t=1, 25) shows little difference in magnitude between these two extreme cases.
Figure 3.4.4a) Interlaminar normal stress at $r=R$ through the thickness of the $[0/90]_s$ case for thick and thin laminates.
Figure 3.4.4b) Interlaminar normal stress at r=R through the thickness of the [90/0]_s case for thick and thin laminates.
Figure 3.4.5 Interlaminar normal stress at $r=R$, $z=0$ for $R/t$ varying from 1-25.
$h$-convergence, appears in $\tau_{z\theta}$. It appears that a three dimensional state is approached asymptotically.

The distribution of $\sigma_z$ through the thickness is shown in Figure 3.4.6. The characteristic slope reversal in the $\alpha=0^\circ$ is evident at $\theta=90^\circ$ in both laminates for $R/t=25$.

Overall, $\sigma_z$ is low, i.e. less than 20% of the applied stress. Although the values predicted here are low for composite laminates or even unidirectional plates this stress acts on one of the planes of lowest strength. For isotropic plates Sternberg(1949) found that $\sigma_z$ was dependent upon the Poisson's ratio and rapidly approached the plane strain value of $\sigma_z/\sigma_0=2\nu$ as $R/t$ decreased. $\sigma_\theta$ was affected negligibly by $R/t$.

The inplane stresses show an interesting comparison with the two methods of using the orthotropic layer formulae (Equation (3.2.7)) described Section 3.2. In Figure 3.4.6 it can be seen that all curves are close except at $\theta=0^\circ$ in the $\alpha=90^\circ$ layers and at $\theta=90^\circ$ in the $\alpha=0^\circ$ layers. At $\theta=90^\circ$ it appears that the unbonded formula is closest for low $R/t$ while the bonded formula is closest for high $R/t$. In either case the bonded method agrees better at the interface where the layers are bonded; the thicker layers may deform without high interlaminar shear strain required in the thinner layers. By this heuristic reasoning, for very low $R/t$ plane strain solutions for individual layers may be required, although the plane strain stresses may not be significantly different. At $\theta=0^\circ$ the $\alpha=90^\circ$ layer appears to be more
Figure 3.4.6  Circumferential stress at r=R for thick and thin laminates (R/t=1,25) from the FE model and two methods using the plane stress formula.
influenced by the deformation of the $\alpha=0^\circ$ layer than by its own loading and is stressed closer to the bonded case. For designers, this method could be a practical way of estimating bounds for the maximum inplane stress concentration which depends on $R/t$.

In summary, an FE solution having a constant number and distribution of elements within the boundary layer was used to investigate the effect of $R/t$ on $[0/90]_s$ and $[90/0]_s$ laminates under uniform uniaxial loading. $\tau_{z\theta}$ was the strongest interlaminar stress in all cases. $\sigma_z$ has extrema on the hole surface at the midplane where its distribution is greatly affected by $R/t$ and stacking sequence but its maximum magnitude is less than 20% of the applied load. Interlaminar stresses near the singularity are $h$-dependent while $h$ varied with $R/t$ for the scheme used. At the interface $\sigma_z$ is again small and did not appear to be significantly affected by $R/t$ and stacking sequence. The maximum stress concentration at the hole surface appears to be bounded w.r.t. $R/t$ by the bonded and unbonded plane stress formulae.
3.4.2 The Influence of R/t on [90/0] Laminates

In this subsection plates similar to those in the previous section are investigated in the unsymmetric configuration. Unsymmetric laminates, due to their layered heterogeneity, deform in part by curving in response to membrane loading. That is, in terms of Classical Lamination Theory

\[ \mathbf{B} \neq [0]. \]

For a [90/0] configuration ([0/90] is the mirror image) when \( N_X, M_X \neq 0 \) the model is changed from the symmetric case only in that \( \sigma_{iz} = 0 \) replaces the symmetry boundary condition along \( z = \text{constant} \). Results were generated for \( R/t = 2, 10, 50 \).

The FE model was largely unchanged from the symmetric case. The boundary layer in which the inplane stresses are affected by the hole in a plate in bending is roughly the same size as for a plate in extension (see Savin (1961) pg. 349) so \( W = 10R \) was used as for the symmetric plates. Farfield \( \sigma_X \) from CLT which varies linearly across the thickness of each layer (see Figure 3.4.11) was applied at \( x = L/2 \). The same substructuring scheme was used. A first observation on the results was that the depth of the boundary layer in these laminates is again occurring only to a depth of one laminate thickness (2h in this case) radially from the hole surface so the meshes used were less dense in relation to the boundary layer dimension than for the symmetric
laminate. Again the interlaminar stresses were maximum on the hole surface and $\tau_{xz}$ was negligibly small.

$\tau_{z\theta}$ is plotted through the thickness on the hole surface in Figure 3.4.7. The distribution and magnitude of $\tau_{z\theta}$ at the interface shown in Figure 3.4.8 is near what was found in the symmetric laminates although it is slightly stronger at the interface than in the symmetric case.

$\sigma_z$ on the hole surface is shown in Figures 3.4.9,10. As seen in Figure 3.4.9 the shape of the curves through the thickness is similar to what was observed in the symmetric plates but since $\sigma_z$ must vanish at $z=0,2h$ it is of most interest at the interface. In Figure 3.4.10 $\sigma_z$ along the interface does not exhibit much change in distribution between $R/t=10$ and 50. However, while the distribution of $\sigma_z$ on the hole surface along the interface is very similar to that of the symmetric plates, the magnitude is nearly doubled for the same mesh. Because $\sigma_z$ is broadly distributed with $\theta$ having a maximum on the interface near $\theta=55^\circ$ a biaxially loaded plate would have a maximum, for example when $R/t=50$, of near $-\sigma_o$; although buckling would obviously also be considered, delamination would be a concern for compressive $\sigma_o$.

Similar to the symmetric case, comparable results for $\sigma_\theta$ on the hole surface may be obtained from superposing the exact plane stress solutions for orthotropic plates in uniform tension and an approximate solution for a thin holed
Figure 3.4.7 a,b) Interlaminar shear stress at r=R through the thickness for R/t=2,10.
Figure 3.4.7 c) Interlaminar shear stress at r=R through the thickness for R/t=50.
Figure 3.4.8 Interlaminar shear stress at \( r=R, z=h \) for \( R/t=2,10,50 \). The difference between curves decreases with increasing \( R/t \).
Figure 3.4.9 a,b) Interlaminar normal stress at $r=R$, $\theta=0^\circ, 45^\circ, 90^\circ$ through the thickness for $R/t=2, 10$. The distribution changes dramatically between these two values of $R/t$. 
Figure 3.4.9 c) Interlaminar normal stress at r=R,
θ=0°, 45°, 90° through the thickness for R/t=50. The change in distribution diminishes with increasing R/t.
Figure 3.4.10 Interlaminar normal stress at $r=R$, $z=h$ for $R/t=2, 10, 50$. The difference between curves decreases with increasing $R/t$. 
Figure 3.4.11 Far field CLT stresses in [90/0] laminate.
The normal stress in each layer can be given by \( \sigma_x = \sigma_{ox} + \mu_{ox} z \) so that the net force and bending moments are \( N = \sigma_{ox} h \) and \( M = \mu_{ox} h^2 \) respectively.
plate in cylindrical bending due to Lekhnitskii (1968). The net bending moments for the laminate $M_x$ and $M_y$ are zero but the far field CLT distributions of $\sigma_x$ and $\sigma_y$ may be resolved into a net applied uniform stresses $\sigma_{ox}$, $\sigma_{oy}$ and linearly varying stresses $\mu_{ox}$, $\mu_{oy}$ in each layer such that

$$
\sigma_x = \sigma_{ox} + \mu_{ox}(z-z_0) \quad \sigma_y = \sigma_{oy} + \mu_{oy}(z-z_0) \quad (3.4.1)
$$

where $z_0$ is the center of the layer and

$$
h/2 > z-z_0 > -h/2.
$$

So the moment per unit length in the center of each layer is

$$
M_{ox} = \frac{\mu_{ox}h^3}{12} \quad M_{oy} = \frac{\mu_{oy}h^3}{12} \quad (3.4.2)
$$

(see Figure 3.4.11)).

From $\sigma_{ox}$ and $\sigma_{oy}$, $\sigma_\theta$ on the hole surface can be determined for each layer using Equation (3.2.7). The bending moment on the hole surface is given by Lekhnitski (1968):

$$
M_\theta = M + M \sqrt{\frac{D_x D_y}{D_z}} \left( a_0 \sin^4 \theta + a_1 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta \right. \\
+ \left. a_2 \cos^4 \theta \right) / (k+4g) \quad (3.4.3)
$$

where $M$ is the applied moment; and
\[ D_1 = \frac{E_x h^3}{12(1-\nu_{xy}\nu_{yx})}, \quad D_2 = \frac{E_y h^3}{12(1-\nu_{xy}\nu_{yx})}, \quad D_3 = \frac{G_{xy} h}{6} \]

\[ D_1 \cos^4 \theta + 2D_3 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta + D_2 \sin^4 \theta = 0 \]

\[ k = \sqrt{D_1/D_2}, \quad g = G_{xy}/E_y \quad \text{where} \]

\[ E_x, E_y, \nu_{xy}, \nu_{yx}, G_{xy} \text{ are the elastic moduli; and} \]

\[ a_0 = n, \quad a_1 = k - n - n^2 - 1 + 4g(1 + \nu_{yx})(1 + n), \quad a_2 = k(1 - k - 4g(1 + \nu_{yx})) \]

\[ n = -\iota (s_1 + s_2) \quad \text{and} \quad s_1, s_2 \text{ are roots of the equation} \]

\[ D_2 s^4 + 2D_3 s^2 + D_1 = 0. \tag{3.4.4} \]

Simplified expressions are

at \( \theta = 0^\circ \)

\[ M_\theta = M_y = M_{ox} \frac{E_y - 4\nu_{yx} G_{xy}}{(E_x E_y)^{\iota} + 4G_{xy}} \tag{3.4.5} \]

at \( \theta = 90^\circ \)

\[ M_\theta = M_x = M_{ox} \frac{\sqrt{(E_x E_y)(1 + 2\beta) + 4G_{xy}}}{\sqrt{(E_x E_y) + 4G_{xy}}} \tag{3.4.6} \]

where \( \beta \) is the imaginary part of the roots of the equation

\[ Q_{22} s^2 + 2(Q_{12} + 2Q_{66}) s^2 + Q_{11} = 0 \tag{3.4.7} \]

since

\[ s_1 = \varphi + \iota \beta, \quad s_2 = -\varphi + \iota \beta, \quad s_3 = -\varphi - \iota \beta, \quad s_4 = -\varphi - \iota \beta. \]

Using these equations the distribution of \( \sigma_\theta \) can be found
through the thickness of each layer. This method is termed the unbonded method.

For a bonded method an equivalent homogeneous plate will not display bending-membrane coupling as does the heterogeneous plate. For this reason no stress moment is predicted on the hole surface by this method. As for symmetric plates the elastic moduli of the equivalent plate are derived from the laminate stiffness matrix to be used in the plate formulas.

The inplane stress $\sigma_\theta$ on the hole surface from all results are plotted in Figures 3.4.12,13. In Figure 3.4.12 $\sigma_\theta$ plotted against $\theta$ from the $a=0^\circ$ layer shows that the concentration is highest at the interface at a value of about 17; more than twice what was observed in the symmetric case. In the $a=90^\circ$ layer, the maximum stress concentration is nearly five in compression for $R/t=10$, so the progression with $R/t$ is not monotonic.

In Figure 3.4.13 $\sigma_\theta$ varies linearly through the thickness towards the maximum stress concentration at $\theta=90^\circ$ in the $a=0^\circ$ layer for high $R/t$ and slightly less so for lower $R/t$ towards the interface; as $R/t$ decreases $\sigma_\theta$ near the interface tends slightly towards that of the higher $R/t$ and bonded cases as was observed in the symmetric laminates.

As was observed in the symmetric plates, the unbonded and bonded methods bound the maximum stress concentration over the range of $R/t$ and show fair agreement for all $R/t$ elsewhere. As bounds are in direct agreement, the plane
Figure 3.4.12 Circumferential stress at r=R from FE models with R/t=2,10,50 and unbonded method of using the plate theory and plane stress formulas.
Figure 3.4.13 Circumferential stress at $r=R$ from FE models with $R/t=2,10,50$ through the thickness with unbonded method of using the plane stress and plate theory formulas.
stress/plate theory results are worst at $\theta=0^\circ$ in the $\alpha=90^\circ$ layer. For very low $R/t$ thick plate and plane strain solutions would be more appropriate for the unbonded case.

In summary, the unsymmetric configuration of the plates in the previous subsection were investigated. Asymmetry resulted in a much higher maximum concentration of the stresses on the hole surface. Interlaminar stresses $\sigma_z$ and $\tau_{z\theta}$ show very similar distribution and variation due to $R/t$ at the interface to the symmetric laminates but are stronger, especially $\sigma_z$. The distribution through the thickness is such that the interface stress state is very severe. The FE and plane stress/plate theory results show fair agreement overall and the bonded and unbonded methods are observed to bound the FE results over the range of $R/t$ as for the symmetric cases.

3.4.3 Reinforced Hole in a [0/90]$_s$ Laminate

A small influence of an adhesively bonded third material on the interface behaviour of the plate was observed in Section 3.3. Beyond the implications the effect had on the measurement of interlaminar strains, it invites a study of coatings to determine the effect on stresses in the boundary layer. Hole reinforcement, which has been investigated for conventional plates, is compelling for composites since it is congruous with the philosophy of tailoring structural properties by combining phases.

To the author's knowledge, no three-dimensional study
of laminates with reinforced holes has been reported in the literature. In Savin's book "Stress Concentration around Holes" (1961) plates with circular holes reinforced by welded isotropic elastic rings under membrane loading are treated as plane problems with the following among the conclusions:

- it is possible to choose a ring of such rigidity that $\sigma_\phi$ in the perforated plate is considerably lower than in the continuous plate (without a hole);

- with increasing radial thickness of the ring the stress $\sigma_\phi$ will diminish in both the ring and plate;

- the $\sigma_\phi$ stress concentration from intermediate ring materials will fall between those of no ring and an absolutely rigid ring.

To investigate these statements for laminates and further see what effect reinforcement has on the interlaminar stresses $[0/90]_g$ plates with $R/t=5$ and the properties in Table 3.1 were modeled. In the FE model the third mesh had five elements in the plate and two in the ring (coating) as shown in Figure 3.4.14. The isotropic rings had the elastic properties to cover the complete range of rigidities:

$$\frac{E_c}{E_{11}} = 0, .48, 1.43, \sim 5 \times 10^4; \text{ and } \nu_c = .35.$$ 

Also, the ring thickness was varied so
Figure 3.4.14 $\theta$-plane distribution of finite elements for hole reinforcement model.
$t_c/t = 0, .05, 1$.

$a_0$ on the plate/ring interface ($r=R$) for thick rings is shown in Figures 3.4.15; the thin rings had a negligible effect. It can be observed that for $a_0$ the maximum is rapidly reduced as the rigidity of the ring increases to where $a_0$ is low but still slightly more than $a_0$ even for the very rigid ring ($E_c/E_{11}=5x10^4$); these results do not contradict statements by Savin since $a_x$ in the $\alpha=0^0$ layer is greater than $a_0$ away from the hole where stresses are uniform. In the $\alpha=90^0$ layer $a_0$ was eliminated for a very rigid ring, but the progression with varying $E_c/E_{11}$ contradicts Savin's third statement. However, the shift in $a_0$ to tension at $\theta=0^0$ for the intermediate rings is such that the fibers bear the load.

Stresses may develop on the plate-ring interface of a plate with a reinforced hole. $\tau_{xz}$ is low but $a_x$ and $\tau_{x\theta}$ develop on the ring/plate interface for thick rings. Maximum $a_x$ occurs in the $\alpha=0^0$ layer for the very rigid ring at $\theta=0^0$ which stresses along the fibers. $\tau_{x\theta}$ in Figure 3.4.16 shows that this stress will have an extremum with respect to rigidity of the ring.

A detail that is overlooked in the plane stress approach is that the situation at the intersection of the ring/plate interface and the plate surface $z=2h$ is similar to that in the plate at the interface on the edge. It was
Figure 3.4.15 Circumferential stress at $r=R$ in plate with a thick reinforcing ring ($t_c/t=1$) for varying rigidity ($E_c/E_{11}$).
Figure 3.4.16 Inplane radial stresses in plate with a thick reinforcing ring of varying rigidity ($E_c/E_{11}$). Both normal and shear stresses increase rapidly at low $E_c/E_{11}$. 
observed in the results that \( \sigma_r \) and \( \tau_{r\theta} \) show some local stress concentration at this location for thick rigid reinforcement.

For both thick and thin rings the interlaminar stresses at the ring/plate interface intersection line (\( z=h, r=R \)) show evidence of only a very weak singularity. For a perfectly rigid ring, on the plate/ring interface

\[
\tau_{\theta} = r_{z} = \gamma_{z\theta} = 0. \tag{3.4.8}
\]

Immediately from this we know \( \tau_{z\theta} \) is very small since \( C_{15} \) is typically small. \( \sigma_z \) is uniform throughout most of the thickness for thick rings due to the constraint on \( r_z \),

so

\[
\sigma_z \approx C_{13} r_r \quad \text{since typically } C_{15} \approx 0.
\]

For the very rigid ring a small tensile \( \sigma_z \) develops. For thin rings \( \sigma_z \) is low and stepped across the interface until the ring becomes very rigid.

In Figure 3.4.17 it can be seen that \( \tau_{z\theta} \) at the interface is rapidly mitigated as rigidity increases relatively independent of the ring thickness. This result indicates \( \tau_{z\theta} \) can be avoided by the use of thin flexible coatings.

It is concluded from these results that the maximum stress concentration can be reduced in the plate with the emergence of radial inplane stresses on the plate/hole
Figure 3.4.17 Interlaminar shear stress at \( r=R, \ z=h \) of plate with reinforcing ring of varying rigidity and thickness. This stress rapidly decreases as the ring rigidity increases for both thick and thin rings.
interface. The singular interlaminar stresses can be mitigated by even thin non-rigid rings. The optimum reinforcement material in the case of a laminate will be determined by the directional strength tensor of the composite material; reinforcement could be tailored to optimize strength of the composite.
3.5 Summary and Conclusions

The effect of a central circular hole in a relatively large laminated plates has been studied. Problems with two or three planes of symmetry, because of importance facilitating and improving the analysis in several ways, were analyzed.

Finite elements provided approximate solutions to the classical model; comparisons with other solutions and measured results showed that the present solutions are reasonably accurate at least to the extent of predicting trends in behaviour; results on several problems of interest were generated.

The measurement of hole surface strains, many aspects of which share much in common with any laminate edge, was attempted. A relatively unsophisticated technique was chosen and results overall were good apart from, unfortunately, in the region of most interest where this method, and for the same reasons other methods, will fail due to the interference of the measurement system on the behaviour of the specimen and systematic error in the results. A simple solution, namely the elimination of scale problems by enlarging the scale of the specimen, is proposed.

Beyond the scope of this work are the development of measurement or tractable mathematical methods which work accurately on the microstructural level; because the randomness of the present analysis is limited to the distribution of the fibers analytical methods are most desirable. Measurements will answer some questions now and
may stimulate development in future.

The effects of $R/t$, unsymmetric lay-up, and hole surface reinforcement were studied. The plane stress solutions for orthotropic plates showed at least fair agreement with the present model in both of the first cases but were unavailable for the last. In general for symmetric laminates $q_Z$ is everywhere low relative to the applied gross stress; it has been shown to depend greatly upon $R/t$ and stacking sequence at the midplane on the hole surface. $\tau_{z\theta}$ is generally the much stronger stress at the interface. The interlaminar stresses were most severe in the case of the unsymmetric laminate where the magnitude of $q_Z$ was double what was observed in the symmetric cases. The interlaminar stress $\tau_{xy}$ was observed to be small and is of least interest since it vanishes on the hole surface and as a shear stress is less likely to cause fracture of a brittle matrix. All the hole surface stresses may be altered by reinforcement to improve strength; application of suitable failure criteria and subsequent experimentation should follow this work.
CHAPTER 4

PROBLEMS WHERE STRESS DOES NOT VARY AXIALLY

4.1 Introduction and Literature Survey

Analysis of laminate edges using linear elasticity has been concentrated on the problem which is relatively simplest: the straight free edge. Salamon (1980) prepared a comprehensive summary of work on free edge problems up to 1980; what follows is a brief survey of work to the present which is relevant to this chapter.

Most attention has been focused on the square free edge problem for which

\[ u = \varepsilon_0 x + U(y,z) \]

\[ v = V(y,z) \]

\[ w = W(y,z) \]

is the functional form of the displacements; this was termed "uniform extension". For symmetric laminates when \( \varepsilon_0 \) is set the problem corresponds to the middle region \( (x=0) \) of a very long strip under a net axial load.

Pipes and Pagano (1970) used a finite difference method to solve the displacement equilibrium equations for
several laminate configurations. Unfortunately, the
solution accuracy was low because the uniform grid of points
was not dense enough. Later, based on observations of the
FD solutions, a Fourier series solution based on an
approximate formulation (it was assumed that $\sigma_z, \tau_{yz}, \sigma_y = 0$
and $C_{45} = 0$) specifically for $[\pm \theta]_S$ laminates was presented
by Pipes (1972). As in many papers which followed, equal
shear moduli were used so that $C_{45}$ vanished. However,
because it was subsequently shown that $\tau_{xz}$ is the strongest
singular stress this solution has some validity; but $\sigma_z$,
which has nearly the strength of $\tau_{xz}$, is neglected in this
solution and so it may not be acceptable in practice.

In another solution for $[\pm \theta]_S$ laminates, using a
perturbation method with non-singular exponential functions
Hsu and Herakovich (1977) obtained approximate stresses along
the interface. Kriz (1977) modified their solution so that
unequal shear moduli and Poisson ratios could be used and
studied the effects of material properties on $[\pm 45]_S$
laminates. It was found that the interlaminar stresses in
the solutions were sensitive to $G_{23}$ so the commonly used
approximation $G_{12} = G_{13} = G_{23}$, which is not realized, is
questionable. Further, a fiber volume content of 80%
produced the highest interlaminar stresses for realistic
properties. The perturbation method solutions predicted a
tensile value of $\sigma_z$ for $[\pm 45]_S$ graphite/epoxy not in
agreement with solutions from most other methods.

Bar-Yosshph (1981, 1983) developed a perturbation-
variational solution for uniform extension free edge
problems of $[\pm \theta]_S$ laminates using non-singular functions. Both these solutions depend upon a vanishing value of h/w for accuracy. Although the free edge problem has a simple domain shape in two dimensions and is accessible to more analytical methods, numerous solutions to investigate the interlaminar stresses using quasi-three dimensional displacement formulated finite elements have appeared in the past literature and are still appearing (e.g. Wang and Crossman(1977), Raju et al (1981), Herakovitch et al (1985)). In the region of the singularity FE solutions show slow h-convergence. Tong and Pian (1973) showed that the rate of convergence of a polynomial-based finite element solution is often controlled by the order $\omega$ if there is an $r^{-\omega}$ singularity, ie.

$$u-u_0=O(h^\omega) \text{ not } O(h^{p+1})$$

where $h$ is an element dimension, $p$ is the order of polynomial used for a two dimensional domain. To obtain accuracy complex FE meshes having many DOF are generated.

Raju and Crews (1981) used a mesh of quadratic elements ($p=2$) distributed radially about a lone singularity having about 3600 degrees of freedom (DOF) to obtain reasonable results. They fit their results for $\tau_{xz}$ (the strongest singular stress) from $.001<r/h<.01$ to the expression $\tau_{xz} \approx A(r) r^{-\omega}$ to get $\omega=.17$ (later, Wang (1982) and Zwiers (1982) obtained $\omega=.02558$ by direct calculation). As
predicted by Tong, the FE solutions appear to converge very slowly in the vicinity of singularities. In order to reduce the size of the two elements nearest a singularity one must resort to complex meshes or substructuring techniques avoiding large element aspect ratios or distortion and computational error. Only for very few DOF optimal meshes for minimum stationary potential energy have been generated by Wang (1983a). The problem of convergence and complex mesh generation increases with the number of singularities and the dimension of the domain.

Comparing results from different methods Whitcomb et al (1982) noticed a discrepancy primarily in sign of $\sigma_z$ predicted between the various methods used in prior results for [45]$_s$ laminates. They undertook an investigation of the accuracy of standard eight node isoparametric finite elements for laminate free edge problems. $h$-convergence of quadratic elements was determined by comparison with exact solutions for problems having stress discontinuities and singularities. Based on these experimental results they made the conclusion that finite elements are accurate despite very slow convergence except in a region of two elements around the singular point and point out that this region can be made arbitrarily small. In regard to the boundary conditions near the singularity they showed in a very simple calculation that for the uniform extension problem when the traction free edge and displacement continuity conditions are satisfied exactly using a symmetric stress tensor (with nonsingular functions), $\sigma_z$ must be tensile at the singular point in the approximate solutions. They claimed that the stress tensor is asymmetric at this point and the enforcement of symmetry along with the
exact enforcement of the boundary conditions is the downfall of several methods. Further, they claim that finite elements succeed because displacement continuity is exactly satisfied while stress continuity and the traction free edge are left approximately satisfied.

Wang (1982) presented an eigenfunction expansion solution to problems for which \(\partial \sigma / \partial x = 0\) based on Lekhnitskii's stress function formulation. A set of functions which satisfied the traction-free edge condition as well as the interface continuity conditions yielded the power \(\omega\) of an \(r^{-\omega}\) singularity at the interface; this is an important analytical quantity and is included in the solution. The results showed that the singularity of the square laminate free edge is generally weak in comparison to that at a delaminated edge with \(\omega = -0.05\) typical for graphite/epoxy. Wang's solution proceeds in two stages. Obtaining the eigenvalues requires that a 12x12 system of equations having terms with \(\omega\) in transcendental form must be solved by a numerical method for every interface between plies of unlike orientation and depends upon the intersection geometry and material properties. Particular solutions are then obtained using boundary point collocation on the remaining boundaries with added polynomial functions to approximate the far field solution. This is a tedious approach; especially for multilayer laminates or when material properties are varied.

Zwiers et al (1982) showed that Wang's solution is not complete in general since \(\ln(r)\) and possibly other singular terms (i.e. \((\ln r)^2\), \((\ln r)^3\), etc.) belong to the complete solution for adjacent layers having orientation angles other
than 0/90, θ/−θ, 90/0 and ±θ/±θ where δ is small. The lnr singularity was strongest for 90/15 and 90/-15 pair for graphite/epoxy. Further, Zwiers showed that while individual stresses may or may not be singular for \( r^{-\omega} \) solutions, depending on the complete boundary conditions of the specific problem, when present all stresses have the lnr singularity. Notably, Raju and Crews (1981) using their highly refined finite element model found for \([θ/90-θ]_s\) laminates, that the \([15/-75]_s\) configuration developed the highest \(\tau_{xz}\) values. This is compatible with Zwiers (1982) since the strength of the lnr singularity is near maximum for this lay-up. Presumably Wang's singular solution would be approximate for these cases.

Wang demonstrated his method on example problems of delamination fracture (Wang (1984)), the central plane of adhesive bonded joints and hygroscopic stresses in \([±θ]_s\) laminates (Wang (1982)). The effect of the geometric angle at the intersection was studied for material fiber angles of ±45° and a 45° ply intersecting with aluminum and results were given for \([±θ]_s\) laminates and not for other configurations. A paper proposed to study the influence of lamination variables never appeared (Wang (1983b)).

A finite element was developed by Wang (1983c) containing the \( r^{-\omega} \) singularity and shown to agree with the eigenfunction collocation solution when used with non-singular surrounding elements. Determining the singular functions in the solution requires effort and calculation. Afterwards, for utility it is still required to solve the boundary value problem in order to determine the actual
stresses since the presence of singularities in the general solution does not imply their contribution to the specific solution.

On a new tangent, Bar-Yoseph and Siron (1984) used an asymptotic-variational approach with non-singular functions to solve problems of [t0]₅ laminates with material nonlinearity in transverse and shear moduli. The model showed that material nonlinearity can have significant but not radical effect on the interlaminar stresses.

From the aspect of laminate configuration and loading most serious work appearing in the literature has been done on several "benchmark" problems for straight edges in attempting to sort out the difficulties involved with the singularity in computation. Other configurations and loadings have not been presented even though the interlaminar stresses are known to be problem dependent.

Examples are recently more apparent in the literature for problems with more than 4 layers in the solution domain. Pagano (1974) was able to predict the normal stress on the midplane only of symmetric laminates. Later, a global-local model which replaced parts of the laminate with an equipollent system was presented by Pagano and Soni (1982); the results were sensitive to the substructuring scheme used however. Kassapoglou and LaGace (1986) presented a method for rough estimates of stresses in symmetric laminates in uniform extension; it requires prior knowledge of the stress state to select assumed exponential functions for the stresses. In most practical studies, low accuracy solutions are obtained using standard finite elements attempting only
to determine the sign of the interlaminar stresses in the layers or the strain energy release rate by the Rybicki-Kanninen (1977a) method (e.g. Whitcomb and Raju (1984)). The bearing the calculated results have on the real micro-deformations of fiber reinforced materials is not apparently an issue.

Few attempts at measuring the deformations relevant to the free edge effect of fiber reinforced laminates have been made. Small fiber laminates are typically very thin (.005 inches per ply) for graphite/epoxy making measurement of the high gradient deformations and strains difficult. Pipes and Daniel (1971) obtained patterns of axial displacement on the face of [±θ]S laminates using Moire grids and showed good correlation with the FD solution. Oplinger et al (1974) used Moire interferometry on the thin edge and the face of [±θ]S laminates. Later, Herakovich et al (1985) used a similar method in comparison with results from a linear elastic solution using standard isoparametric finite elements in a highly refined (1028 degrees of freedom) mesh. However, the comparisons were not concrete; rather, the measurements were used to determine the FE mesh density for best agreement at the singularity without questioning the accuracy of measurements. Both of these methods used thin plastic coatings on the surface of the edge but did not consider what effects this may have had upon their measurements. Depositing a third material on the edge face will alter the response to some degree since it is a an intersecting wedge problem with three dissimilar intersecting materials instead of two. Also, transfer of the strain through the coating will depend upon the distribution of strain on the objective surface; worsening
as strain curvature increases. Post (1987), using a new moire technique on [0/90/±45]_{SS} graphite/PEEK beam under 3 and five point loading showed very sharp peaks in \( \gamma_{xz} \) on the edge. The possible attenuation due to the coating is termed shear lag but is not accounted for in the results. In general, results show that the very high and localized strain \( \gamma_{xz} \) does exist in a manner predicted by the EM solutions.

Various other relevant studies have appeared in the literature including the use of cord rubber models (Ford et al (1982), Lou and Walter (1978)) and enlarged models of photoelastic materials (Alderholdt and Berhaus (1976), Berghaus and Alderholdt (1975)) but did not produce results relevant to current research in composite laminates.

In summary, a survey of the literature shows that much attention has been devoted to the effective modulus model for investigating the elastic behaviour of composite laminates. The \([±\theta]_S\) configuration has received by far the most attention with many solutions developed specifically for this problem. For more general methods such as finite elements using polynomial approximating functions seems to account for the slow convergence observed in the vicinity of singularities. Methods containing singular functions require knowledge of the type of singularity which depends upon material properties and global orientation of each adjacent pair of plies. After determining the functions it is still required to solve the boundary value problem to determine the actual stresses. Largely neglected are multilayered laminates, even though low-accuracy solutions are frequent in the literature, and configurations and
loadings outside of uniform extension, i.e. most of the laminate system. Also, very little work has been done on measurements with the intention of verifying the complete stress state.

What follows in this chapter is the development of a procedure for obtaining approximate numerical solutions to laminate problems for which $\partial \sigma / \partial x = 0$. A displacement formulation and exponential non-singular trial functions are used with a weighted residual method. To avoid complex grids, a boundary method is used. The method developed is flexible with respect to specifying problem materials, geometry, loading and boundary conditions. Further, there is flexibility in specifying the continuity and stress boundary conditions at the singular point. Numerical results are presented for rectangular strips in a variety of configurations and loadings. Finally, multilayer laminates are handled.
4.2 Formulation and General Solution Procedure

4.2.1 Equations of Linear Elasticity

From Section 2.2 the equilibrium equations when the stresses do not vary in one direction, i.e. let \( \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial x} = 0 \), are

\[
\sigma_{ij,j} = 0 \quad \text{for } i=x,y,z \quad j=y,z
\]  

(4.2.1)

or in terms of the displacements (see Equation (2.2.3))

\[
\frac{1}{2} c_{ijkl} (u_k, l + u_l, k), j = 0 \quad j = y, z
\]  

(4.2.2)

These are the general equations, for the special case of laminates with rotated orthotropic layers having the C tensor properties discussed in Chapter 2 the general equations expressed in three linear differential operators become

\[
I_1(\bar{u}) = I_2(\bar{u}) = I_3(\bar{u}) = 0
\]  

(4.2.3)
where

\[ \mathcal{L}_1(\vec{u}) = C_{45}w_{,xy} + C_{55}w_{,xz} + C_{16}u_{,xy} + C_{26}v_{,yy} + (C_{45} + C_{36})w_{,zy} \]

\[ + C_{66}u_{,yy} + C_{45}v_{,zz} + C_{55}u_{,zz} \]

\[ \mathcal{L}_2(\vec{u}) = C_{12}u_{,xy} + C_{22}v_{,yy} + (C_{23} + C_{44})w_{,yz} + C_{26}u_{,yy} + C_{26}v_{,xy} \]

\[ + C_{45}w_{,xz} + C_{45}u_{,zz} + C_{44}v_{,zz} \]  \hspace{1cm} (4.2.4)

\[ \mathcal{L}_3(\vec{u}) = C_{13}u_{,xz} + (C_{23} + C_{44})v_{,zy} + C_{33}w_{,zz} + (C_{45} + C_{36})u_{,yz} \]

\[ + C_{36}v_{,x} + C_{45}w_{,xy} + C_{44}w_{,yy} \]

The conditions on the surface of the body are likewise

\[ \sigma_{ij}n_i = T_j \]

and

\[ u_j = u_j^*. \]

For a unique solution each of the three elements of the vector on the surface must be prescribed, corresponding to the three chosen coordinates, as either a displacement or surface traction.
4.2.2 Homogeneous Solutions-Trial Functions

4.2.2.1 Derivation for Quasi-Three Dimension

To obtain approximate solutions, using the method of Weighted Residuals (also known as error distribution principles (Collatz(1960))), the trial functions used to approximate the solution may satisfy certain conditions exactly. Trial functions which satisfy the equations in the interior of each layer are used for the so-called boundary methods. The boundary equations will generally not be satisfied exactly so there is a residual difference to be minimised.

Because the internal solution satisfies the internal equations identically and since every linear boundary value problem has a unique solution, the approximate solution is the exact solution for a problem with the residual boundary and interface conditions. This fact may give further meaning to the residual as an indicator of error. At least intuitively in cases such as boundary error which resembles a point load, that region would be in question.

The internal equations for this class in terms of displacements are

\[
\frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} = 0. \quad (4.2.5)
\]
Since the determinant of \( \tilde{C} \) cannot be zero this equation must have the trivial solution

\[
\frac{\partial \tilde{r}}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad (u_k, 1x + u_l, kx) = 0 \quad k, l = x, y, z
\]

The general solution for these 6 differential equations can be expressed in the form

\[
\begin{align*}
u_x &= u = U_0(y, z) + \pi_1 xy + \pi_2 xz + \pi_4 x \\
u_y &= v = V_0(y, z) + \pi_3 xz - \frac{1}{2} \pi_1 x^2 + \pi_6 x + \pi_7 \quad (4.2.6) \\
u_z &= w = W_0(y, z) - \frac{1}{2} \pi_2 x^2 - \pi_3 xy + \pi_6 x + \pi_8
\end{align*}
\]

where \( U_0, V_0, \) and \( W_0 \) are arbitrary functions; \( \pi_i, \ i = 1, 2, 3 \ldots 8 \) are arbitrary constants; and rotations which cause no strain are neglected. The uniform extension problem sets the value \( \pi_4 = \varepsilon_0 = \varepsilon_x \); this is set as input.

The three functions \( u = U_0, \ v = V_0, \) and \( w = W_0 \) do not immediately satisfy the three operator equations \( \Sigma_1(\tilde{u}) = 0 \) exactly when substituted into the \( \tilde{u} \) vector unless the \( \pi_i \) are suitably defined; this will be dealt with later. If it is assumed true then since the operators are linear, if

\[
\Sigma_1(\tilde{u}) = \Sigma_2(\tilde{u}) = \Sigma_3(\tilde{u}) = 0 \quad (4.2.7)
\]
where $\bar{U}^T = [U_0, V_0, W_0]$ then $\bar{U}$ is a solution to the displacement equations of equilibrium for this problem.

The selection of the trial functions $\bar{U}$ is at the heart of the method. Polynomial functions are avoided because they show very poor convergence in approximating non-analytic functions. Exponential functions are usual for linear problems, so we begin by seeking exponential functions as follows.

Let

$$
\begin{align*}
U_0 &= k_u e^{(z+vy)} \\
V_0 &= k_v e^{(v_z+vy)} \\
W_0 &= k_w e^{(v_z+vy)}
\end{align*}
$$

(4.2.8)

where $v_z, v_y, k_u, k_v, k_w$ are all arbitrary constants. We can operate on $\bar{U}$ with $\bar{T}$ to get

$$
\bar{T}(\bar{U}) = e^{(v_z+vy)} \bar{L} \bar{k} = [0]
$$

where

$$
\bar{k}^T = [k_u, k_v, k_w].
$$

The equations $\bar{T}_1 = 0$ are elliptical so the 3x3 matrix $\bar{L}$ is symmetric and positive definite and has as its elements
\[ L_{11} = C_{66} \varphi_y^2 + C_{56} \varphi_z \]
\[ L_{12} = C_{26} \varphi_y^2 + C_{46} \varphi_z \]
\[ L_{13} = (C_{36} + C_{45}) \varphi_y \varphi_z \]
\[ L_{22} = C_{23} \varphi_y^2 + C_{44} \varphi_z \]
\[ L_{23} = (C_{33} + C_{44}) \varphi_y \varphi_z \]
\[ L_{33} = C_{44} \varphi_y^2 + C_{33} \varphi_z \]

(4.2.9)

If these equations do not have the trivial solution \( \vec{k} = \vec{0} \) (the null vector) then \( \det(\vec{L}) = 0 \). Defining \( \varphi = [\varphi_y / \varphi_z] \) and dividing all the elements of \( \vec{L} \) by \( \varphi_z^2 \) the determinant results in a polynomial in \( \varphi^2 \) of degree three (i.e. \( \varphi^2 \) is raised to the highest power of 3, \( \varphi \) is raised to 6 and there are no odd powers of \( \varphi \))

\[ L_{11} L_{22} L_{33} - L_{11} L_{23}^2 - L_{12} L_{33}^2 + 2L_{12} L_{13} L_{23} - L_{13}^2 L_{22} = 0 \]  

(4.2.10)

Solving for the three roots of this polynomial yields three values of \( \varphi^2 \) for which \( z(\vec{U}) = 0 \).
Some knowledge of the roots $\phi_1^2$ can be obtained. Most obvious, there must be at least one real root; if there are two complex roots, they must be conjugate. We can prove that $\phi_1^2 \neq 0$. If $\phi_1^2 = 0$ then

$$L = \begin{bmatrix}
C_{55} & C_{45} & 0 \\
C_{45} & C_{44} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & C_{33}
\end{bmatrix} \quad (4.2.11)$$

and because the $C$ matrix must be positive definite and $L$ is a principal submatrix it too must be positive definite in this case so $\det(L) \neq 0$ (see Ayres (1974)). We can also prove that if $\phi_1^2$ is real then $\phi_1^2 < 0$. First, we break $L$ into the sum of two matrices

$$L = A + B$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix}
C_{55}\phi^2 & C_{55}\phi^2 & C_{55} \phi^2 \\
C_{55}\phi^2 & C_{55}\phi^2 & C_{55} \phi^2 \\
C_{55}\phi^2 & C_{55}\phi^2 & C_{55} \phi^2
\end{bmatrix}$$
\[
\tilde{B} = \begin{bmatrix}
C_{55} & C_{45} & C_{45} \\
C_{45} & C_{44} & C_{44} \\
C_{45} & C_{44} & C_{44}
\end{bmatrix}.
\]

The three principal minors of \( \tilde{A} \) are

\[
p_1 = [C_{55}] \phi^2 \quad p_2 = \phi^4 \quad \det \begin{bmatrix}
C_{28} & C_{28} \\
C_{28} & C_{28}
\end{bmatrix}
\]

and

\[
p_3 = \phi^4 \quad \det \begin{bmatrix}
C_{55} & C_{28} & C_{35} \\
C_{28} & C_{28} & C_{35} \\
C_{35} & C_{35} & C_{35}
\end{bmatrix}
\]

The determinants on the right hand sides are all principal minors of \( \tilde{C} \) and so are always positive definite. Since \( \tilde{C} \) is positive definite all principal minors are positive, therefore \( \tilde{A} \) is positive definite if \( \phi^2 > 0 \). In the same way \( B \) is singular with rank 2 but the first and second leading principal minors are positive so \( \tilde{B} \) is positive semi-definite. Now since, by definition,

\[
k^T \tilde{A} k > 0 \text{ and } k^T \tilde{B} k \geq 0 \text{ if } k \neq 0
\]

then
\[ k^T L k = k^T (A + B) L k > 0 \]

meaning \( L \) must be positive definite since matrix multiplication is distributive. Therefore \( \det(L) > 0 \) if \( \varphi^2 > 0 \) and so no roots \( \varphi_1^2 \) are non-negative. This inequality is useful in checking numerical results.

When \( \varphi^2 = \varphi_1^2 \) and \( \det(L) = 0 \) there are an infinite number of \( \bar{k} \) vectors which satisfy \( \bar{L} \bar{k} = 0 \). The elements of \( \bar{K} \) are related by

\[
\kappa_u = \frac{k_u}{k_w} = \frac{L_{12}L_{23} - L_{13}L_{22}}{L_{11}L_{22} - L_{12}^2}
\]

\[
\kappa_v = \frac{k_v}{k_w} = \frac{L_{12}L_{13} - L_{11}L_{23}}{L_{11}L_{22} - L_{12}^2}
\]

(4.2.12)

These ratios are functions of the material properties (i.e. the components of \( \bar{C} \) and the roots \( \varphi_1^2 \) of the polynomial while one of the elements of \( \bar{k} \) is arbitrary. If \( \varphi_1^2 < 0 \) both \( \varphi_1 \) and the values of \( \kappa_u \) and \( \kappa_v \) are imaginary numbers; the sign of \( \varphi_1 \) makes no difference in the value of the displacements.
To demonstrate, if we choose the trial functions as sums of products of exponentials

\[ U_0 = k_u \sin(\psi_y)\sin(\psi_z) \]

\[ V_0 = k_v \sin(\psi_y)\sin(\psi_z) \quad (4.2.13) \]

\[ W_0 = k_w \cos(\psi_y)\cos(\psi_z) \]

and then corresponding to the three roots \( \psi_1^2, \psi_2^2, \psi_3^2 \) and the three \( k \) vectors having ratios \( \kappa_{u1}, \kappa_{u2}, \kappa_{u3}, \kappa_{v1}, \kappa_{v2}, \kappa_{v3} \). Setting \( k_w = 1 \) there are three solution vectors

\[ \vec{U}^i = \begin{bmatrix} \kappa_{ui} \sin(\psi_i\psi_y)\sin(\psi_z) \\ \kappa_{vi} \sin(\psi_i\psi_y)\sin(\psi_z) \\ \cos(\psi_i\psi_y)\cos(\psi_z) \end{bmatrix} \quad i = 1, 2, 3 \quad (4.2.14) \]

Because each vector is a solution and \( \xi_i \) are linear then a vector \( k_1 \vec{U}^1 + k_2 \vec{U}^2 + k_3 \vec{U}^3 \) where \( k_i \) are arbitrary constants is also a solution. So long as the 3 roots are distinct and \( \kappa_{u1} + \kappa_{v1} \neq 0 \) for \( i = 1, 2, 3 \) it can easily be shown that the 3 vectors are linearly independent and so form a basis at any point in \( y, z \) where none of the three are zero. Moreover, vectors formed from such linear combinations will be linearly independent over \( y, z \) for different values of \( \psi_z \). Therefore, since \( \psi_z \) is arbitrary linear combinations from this family of solutions will also be solutions and will be
linearly independent.

A special case occurs when \( \alpha \) in Equations (2.1.14) is equal to \( n\pi/2 \ n=0,1,2 \ldots \) since then \( \Omega_{12}=\Omega_{13}=0 \); the first equation becomes \( \Omega_{11}k_u=0 \), and \( \kappa_{vi}=-\frac{\alpha_i}{L_{22}} \) for \( i=2,3 \).

Three solutions for the vector \( \vec{k} \) are

\[
\vec{k} = \begin{pmatrix} k_u \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \kappa_{v2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}k_w, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \kappa_{v3} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}k_w
\]

where \( k_u, k_w \) are arbitrary.

One root corresponds to \( \Omega_{11}=0 \) and is \( \varphi_1^2=-C_{65}/C_{66} \). In this case the solution is \( \{k_u, 0, 0\} \). The other two roots are found by satisfying

\[
\det \begin{pmatrix} L_{22} & L_{23} \\ L_{32} & L_{33} \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{and yield} \quad \kappa_{v2}, \kappa_{v3}.
\]

If the laminate has all specially orthotropic layers then with proper loading \( \alpha=0 \) is a plane of reflective symmetry and the solution does not include displacements in the axial direction and so we can say \( k_u=0 \). If the material is isotropic then \( \varphi_1^2=\varphi_2^2=\varphi_3^2=-1 \) so that the solutions vectors are no longer independent.
In laminates containing plies so oriented there may be axial displacement. In these cases \( k_u \) will be arbitrary as well as \( k_w \). Therefore, complete solutions can be obtained in the same general manner as before except that now the \( U_o \) component of the displacement solution is independent of \( V_o \) and \( W_o \).

The above solution set satisfies the internal, or governing equations of the problem. The constants \( \psi_z, k_w \) and in special cases \( k_u \) may be arbitrary. In the next section methods of evaluating these parameters to obtain approximate particular solutions are discussed.

4.2.2.2 Extension to Fully Three-Dimensions

Following nearly the same procedure for the complete governing equations would lead to a similar solution set.

Choosing

\[
U_o = k_u e^{\psi_x x} e^{\psi_y y} e^{\psi_z z}
\]

\[
V_o = k_v e^{\psi_x x} e^{\psi_y y} e^{\psi_z z}
\]

\[
W_o = k_w e^{\psi_x x} e^{\psi_y y} e^{\psi_z z}
\]

would lead to an \( L \) matrix such that, for example, there
would be three roots for each pair \( \psi_x/\psi_y \) selected. If we set \( \psi_x=\psi_y \) then a solution set would be generated, etc. As for two dimensions the solutions would be linearly independent. This method would be potential be useful for holes, beams, etc. It would be worthwhile investigating this boundary method.

4.2.3 Particular Solutions—Weighted Residual Methods

4.2.3.1 General

For a particular problem the boundary conditions may be expressed

\[ B_i(\bar{u}) = f_i \quad i=1,2,...,m \quad (4.2.15) \]

(\( f_i \) is a defined function) on portion(s) \( \Gamma_i \) of the boundary; if we use an approximation for \( \bar{u} \) defined over the whole domain including \( \Gamma \)

\[ \bar{u}(\bar{k},\bar{\psi}) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} k_{wj} \bar{U}_j(\psi_j) \quad (4.2.16) \]

where \( \bar{K}^T = [k_{w1}, k_{w2}, ..., k_{wn}] \) \( \bar{\psi}^T = [\psi_1, \psi_2, ..., \psi_n] \)

then on \( \Gamma_i \) Equation (4.2.15) will not, in general, be exactly satisfied so
\[ B_i(\bar{u}) - f_i = R_i \quad i = 1, 2, \ldots, m \]

where \( R_i \), called the residual or error, is not zero unless \( \bar{u} \) is the exact solution. Weighted residual methods yield approximate solutions by minimizing the magnitudes of all \( R_i \) in some way with respect to arbitrary parameters. The solution obtained is exact for a problem with the necessary residuals applied as boundary conditions; viewed from this aspect intuition and experience can be used to judge the deviation from the desired solution due to the residuals imposed. For example, a sharp change in stress on the boundary would be expected to cause a local disturbance in the interior.

For minimizing the residual w.r.t. \( \bar{k} \) there are many methods which fall under the heading of weighted residual methods. Findlay(1966), Collatz(1960), Crandall(1956), and Ci-Da(1985) presented reviews of the methods. Among these methods the least squares method is easily formulated and leads to symmetric matrices. In the following paragraphs various least squares methods are reviewed.
4.2.3.2 **Integrated Least Squares Method**

For an approximate solution which satisfies

\[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} \int_{\Gamma_i} R_i^2 \, d\Gamma_i = \text{a minimum}; \quad (4.2.17) \]

the well known condition(s) for a minimum w.r.t. \( \bar{k} \) are

\[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} \int_{\Gamma_i} \frac{\partial R_i^2}{\partial k_{wj}} \, d\Gamma_i = 0 \quad \text{for } j=1,2,\ldots,n; \]

this is satisfied if

\[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} \int_{\Gamma_i} \frac{\partial R_i}{\partial k_{wj}} \, R_i \, d\Gamma_i = 0 \quad \text{for } j=1,2,\ldots,n. \quad (4.2.18) \]

In this method \( R_i \) is weighted by \( \partial R_i / \partial k_{wj} \). Given the residual for the \( i \)th boundary condition in the matrix form (it will be shown how later)

\[ \overline{G}_{ik} \bar{k} - \bar{r}_i = 0 \quad (4.2.19) \]

where \( \overline{G}_{ik}(\bar{\Psi}) \) is a vector having \( n \) elements, then the weighted residual statement becomes
\[
\sum_{i=1}^{m} \int_{\Gamma_i} G_{ij} (\bar{G}_i \bar{k} - r_i) \, d\Gamma_i = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad j=1,2,...,n \quad (4.2.20)
\]

(elements of the present family of trial functions are easily computed and operated on by differentiation and integration). After summation, this leads to a set of \( n \) linear algebraic equations

\[
\bar{G} \bar{k} = \bar{R}
\]

where

\[
\bar{G}(\bar{\Psi}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\Sigma} \int_{\Gamma_i} G_i^T G_i \, d\Gamma_i \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{R}(\bar{\Psi}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\Sigma} \int_{\Gamma_i} \bar{G}_i^T r_i \, d\Gamma_i
\]

\( \bar{G} \) is a symmetric square matrix. This requires that all products \( G_{ij}G_{il} \) \( j,l=1,2,...,n \) be integrated. Unfortunately, although this appears to be a good approach, as the dimension of square matrix \( \bar{G} \) increases beyond about 10 this matrix rapidly becomes algorithmically singular (e.g. see Lawson(1974)).

The minimum w.r.t. \( \bar{k} \) of the integrated residuals can be sought directly using optimisation techniques rather than by equating the derivatives to zero. Given the residual Equation (4.2.19) the total square residual is
\[ R_2 = \sum_{i=1}^{m} (\bar{k}^T \int_{\Gamma_i} [ \bar{G}_i \bar{G}_i^T ] d\Gamma_i \bar{k}) \]

\[ -2 r_i \int_{\Gamma_i} [ \bar{G}_i d\Gamma_i ] \bar{k} + r_i^2 \]  

\[ \text{(4.2.21)} \]

and an element of the gradient vector of \( R_2 \) w.r.t. \( k_1 \) is

\[ \frac{\partial R_2}{\partial k_1} = 2 \sum_{i=1}^{m} (\int_{\Gamma_i} [ \bar{G}_i^T \bar{G}_i ] d\Gamma_i \bar{k}) \]

\[ - r_i \int_{\Gamma_i} G_{i1} d\Gamma_i) \]  

\[ \text{(4.2.22)} \]

Finding the \( \bar{k} \) vector for which this positive definite quadratic equation is a minimum is a straightforward task using readily available computer optimisation routines such as the conjugate gradient method. It requires low storage for the square symmetric matrix in \( R_2 \). However, an initial estimate of \( \bar{k} \) is required and the time to find a minimum can depend heavily upon this. Further, \( \bar{k} \) often requires scaling by constants to accelerate convergence. In its favour this method conveniently yields the exact total residual.
4.2.3.3 Collocation Least Square Methods

A simple alternative to the weighting factor $\partial R_i/\partial k_{wj}$ used in Equation (4.2.18) is the delta function $\delta_1$, which has the value

$$\delta_1 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{when } x = x_1 \\ 0 & \text{when } x \neq x_1 \end{cases} \quad (4.2.23)$$

This is equivalent to setting

$$\overline{G_1k - r_1} = 0$$

at points on the boundary to yield one linear algebraic equation per boundary condition per point on the boundary. There must be at least $n$ equations to solve uniquely for the $n$ unknowns which will constrain the residual to vanish at all the points. If more than $n$ equations are used, say $m$, $\overline{k}$ may be found which minimizes the $L_2$ norm w.r.t. $\overline{k}$

$$\| \overline{Gk - R} \|_2 = \sum_{i=1}^{m} (\overline{G_{ik}} - R_i)^2 \quad (4.2.24)$$

where a row of $\overline{G}$ is Equation (4.2.19) evaluated for some boundary condition at some point on it's domain. This method shall be referred to as the least squares boundary collocation (LSBC) method. The minimum norm of the overdetermined set of equations corresponds to the solution of the square symmetric positive definite set of equations.
\[ \mathbf{G}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{k} = \mathbf{G}^T \mathbf{R} \]  

(4.2.25)

which again for \( n > 10 \) becomes algorithmically singular. Scaling rows or columns may improve the stability somewhat; scaling columns changes the problem. However, by using transformation methods on the original set of equations the solution may be found without significant computational problems (Lawson(1974)) or error.

Subdomain collocation can be used similarly. The domain of \( B_i \) is broken in subdomains \( \Gamma_{ij} \). The residual is then evaluated over the segment and set to zero i.e.

\[ \int_{\Gamma_{ij}} R_i \, d\Gamma_{ij} = \int_{\Gamma_{ij}} G_i d\Gamma_{ij} \, k - r_i = 0 . \]  

(4.2.26)

The advantages of the LSBC methods are that only the functions in \( \mathbf{G} \) need to be evaluated and not integrals of their products, and that complex geometries and boundary conditions are as easily represented as the functions which describe them. A potential disadvantage is that the distribution of points affects the solution. However, complication from discretization is often present in other methods such as finite elements and finite differences and may not be a problem if it can be handled systematically. Also, the final system of equations is generally overdetermined and no longer symmetric requiring more storage for the initial equations than the normal equations.

Because the homogeneous solutions apply within the
individual layers and interface conditions are approximated
the matrix $\mathcal{C}$ is populated in a block diagonal pattern as
depicted in Figure 4.2.1. Using a transformation method $\mathcal{C}$ is
transformed to the block diagonal upper triangular matrix $\mathcal{R}$.
The algorithm is simple, to eliminate $G_{ki}$ where $k>i$ then

For $j=1,2,\ldots,q$
\begin{align*}
  v &= G_{ij} \\
  w &= G_{kj} \\
  G_{ij} &= Cv + Sw \\
  G_{kj} &= -Cv + Sw
\end{align*}

where there are $q$ columns in $\mathcal{C}$

If $G_{ki} = 0$
then
$C = 1$ and $S = 0$
else
if $|G_{ki}| \geq |G_{ii}|$
then
$\mathcal{J} = G_{ii}/G_{ki}$ \quad $S = 1/(1+\mathcal{J}^2)^{1/2}$ \quad $C = S\mathcal{J}$
else
$\mathcal{J} = G_{ki}/G_{ii}$ \quad $C = 1/(1+\mathcal{J}^2)^{1/2}$ \quad $S = C\mathcal{J}$

Elements below the diagonal are eliminated row by row from
the second row. In this way the transformation is done
without any intermediate fill-in. That is, only the union
Figure 4.2.1 Matrix $\mathbf{G}$ (below) for a three layer domain is transformed from block diagonal form to upper triangular block form $\mathbf{R}$ (above). Storage required is the union of these two matrices.
of populated areas of $\mathcal{C}$ and $\mathcal{K}$ are required for storage as depicted in Figure 4.2.1. The housekeeping operations are minimal and the program is simple, stable and efficient. Further, as the number of layers increases, the block sizes do not necessarily increase if the number of DOF in each layer is held constant.

4.2.3.4 Discussion

There are many variations of LS methods desirable. For example, multiplying a residual by a weight value such as the length of the boundary between points will change its relative contribution to the total residual and so the degree to which it is satisfied in the final result. Weights could be spatial functions and could be applied to any of the residual equations.

Overall, the BLSC method using transformation methods is most attractive for large systems and it is desired that the method be flexible w.r.t. boundary conditions and geometry.

4.2.3.5 Selection of $\bar{\Psi}$

The arbitrary parameters $v_z$ must be known or set before $G$ can be determined to minimize the residual w.r.t. $\bar{k}$. The object is to determine $\bar{\Psi}$ to yield the best LS approximation. $\bar{\Psi}$ may be found algorithmically from some
initial $\Psi_0$, assuming the absolute minimum can be found, and there will be no more degrees of freedom than if $\Psi$ were set to the best possible. The limitation to searching for $\Psi$ is the "curse of dimension" (Fletcher 1980) ie. the time to search increases rapidly with the dimension of $\Psi$ if each element is sought. In order to reduce the number of unknowns a sequence dependent upon fewer unknowns can be used to generate $\Psi$. In a later section, this approach is taken successfully.

4.2.4 Summary

A simple, flexible method of solution for a large class of laminate problems has been presented in this section. The two conditions which define this class are $\partial \delta/\partial x = 0$, and that the rotation of the principal axes for each material be about only one of the two axes perpendicular to the x axis. This places no restriction on the geometry and loading in the problem domain i.e. the plane section normal to the x axis. The object is to obtain a minimum LS residual evaluated on the boundary by evaluating $k$ and $\Psi$ for specific problems. Particular solutions are to be obtained using a BLSC method and Given's method (Given (1958)) on the final system. After solving, the residual is used as the basis for evaluating convergence.

In the next section a procedure for obtaining solutions to specific problems by this method is presented.
For benchmark problems convergence w.r.t. computational parameters is examined and results are compared with those from other successful methods appearing in the literature.
4.3 Solution Procedure and Qualification

4.3.1 Solution Procedure

The steps in formulating a BLSC solution are:

i) select the trial functions in each layer,

ii) select \( \Psi \),

iii) set a distribution and weighting scheme for the collocation points.

A unique series of the trial functions is chosen in each layer, so that each layer has a unique set of \( k \). On boundaries with certain symmetry (\( u,v \) odd and \( w \) even; or \( u,v \) even and \( w \) odd) only functions with the same symmetry are required. The conditions on the laminate boundaries and layer interfaces are satisfied exactly by the selection of the trial functions or approximately by minimizing the sum of the residuals of these equations.

When the residual involves displacements directly, as along the interface, boundary weighting is required. The conditions of compatibility and continuity along the interface are

\[
\begin{align*}
  u_i^+ &= u_i^- & \sigma_{iz}^+ &= \sigma_{iz}^- & i=1,2,3.
\end{align*}
\]
while the other stresses may be discontinuous across this plane. The magnitude of a displacement's contribution to the residual (i.e. \((u_i^+ - u_i^-)^2\)) will be relatively small unless the displacements are suitably weighted. Matching of the interface displacements was achieved by weighting the displacement's residual such that its magnitude is the same order as the stress residuals. The same weight is used in all solutions of about half the elastic modulus: \(E_{11}/2\).

The frequencies \(\psi_z\) have nonzero finite values. By trial a simple distribution was found to be suitable; i.e.

\[
  f_z \psi_z = \pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, \ldots \ldots \ldots n\pi
\]  \hspace{1cm} (4.3.1)

where the value of \(\pi\) is used merely to show that \(f_z=1\) may not be optimal.

The distribution of collocation points is chosen to avoid what is often called the aliasing error. For example, when the number of collocation points is

\[
t\psi_z / \pi + 1
\]

over the interval along the free edge then the residual can have zeroes at the collocation points as in Figure 4.3.1. To avoid this kind of error, the condition

\[
\# \text{ points} > t\psi_z \text{ max} / \pi + 1 \hspace{1cm} (4.3.2)
\]

is satisfied; \(2t\psi_z \text{ max} / \pi + 1\) or more may be necessary in practice. Along \(z=\text{constant}\) boundaries a density of collocation points sufficient to prevent oscillations in the
Figure 4.3.1 Zero collocation residual due to inadequate point spacing.
solution is adequate; further, from observations spatially varying the density within the boundary layer (e.g. grading the point spacing towards the singularity) eventually causes oscillations away from the singularity; in general, a near uniform density is required which prevents oscillation and is high enough to estimate the residual with sufficient accuracy. A satisfactory scheme was found to be a uniform distribution according to the inequality (4.3.2) along $y=b$ and half as many points with slight grading along $z=constant$ boundaries as in Figure 4.3.2.

The CLT strains for a desired loading are used to evaluate the $\pi_z$ in Equation (4.2.6). The complete CLT solution for each case is imposed (including $\epsilon_z$) by setting the appropriate $\pi_z$ so that Equations (4.2.4) are satisfied exactly. This is based on the assumption that for edge phenomena the CLT solution is regained away from the edge.

Given an adequate representation of the integrated residual error by the collocation values the best value of $f_z$ in Equation (4.3.1) can be found by seeking the minimum of the sum of squared residuals (for a low #DOF for efficiency). The integrated residual is necessarily monotonically nonincreasing w.r.t. increasing $n$ for a constant value of $f_z$.

In the final analysis solutions to the simple free edge problem can be evaluated by several checks beyond the residual average. Since CLT stresses are assumed outside the boundary layer to satisfy equilibrium it must be true that
Figure 4.3.2 Collocation point distribution for four layer symmetric laminate.
\[ b \int_0^b \sigma_z \, dy = 0, \]
\[ \int_0^t \tau_{xy} \, dz = \int_0^b \tau_{xz} \, dy, \text{ and } \int_z^t \sigma_y \, dz = \int_0^b \tau_{yz} \, dy. \]

As well, point checks on the satisfaction of boundary conditions may disclose error.

4.3.2 Qualification of the Method and Procedure

In this section solutions obtained by the above procedure are examined for convergence and are compared with results in the literature from other qualified methods. As mentioned in Section 4.1 the problems which have to this time received most attention in the literature, are \([\pm 45]_s,[90/0]_s,\) and \([0/90]_s\) laminates in uniform extension.

The domain and boundary conditions for these problems are shown in Figure 4.3.3. For the present method the displacement boundary conditions on the surfaces \(y=0\) and \(z=0\) are satisfied exactly by the choice of trial functions in which \(u\) and \(v\) are even exponential functions of \(y\) and odd exponential functions of \(z\) while \(w\) is the opposite. In the upper layer both odd and even functions of \(z\) for the displacements are necessary since the boundary condition is matching the lower layer.
Figure 4.3.3 Uniform extension problem for [iθ]_S, [0/90]_S, and [90/0]_S laminates.
4.3.2.1 Angle-ply Symmetric Laminates

For the [±0]_s laminate the displacement functions are:

\[ u = \sum_{i=1, 7, 13} \kappa_u \left[ (k_i \sinh(\varphi_i(z)^{i+1} \frac{y}{2}) \cos((\varphi_i(z)^{i+1} \frac{z}{2}) + k_{i+1} \sinh(\varphi_1(z)^{i+1} \frac{y}{2}) \sin((\varphi_1(z)^{i+1} \frac{z}{2}) \right] \]

\[ + \kappa_u \left[ (k_{i+2} \sinh(\varphi_2(z)^{i+3} \frac{y}{2}) \cos((\varphi_2(z)^{i+3} \frac{z}{2}) + k_{i+3} \sinh(\varphi_2(z)^{i+3} \frac{y}{2}) \sin((\varphi_2(z)^{i+3} \frac{z}{2}) \right] \]

\[ + \kappa_u \left[ (k_{i+4} \sinh(\varphi_3(z)^{i+5} \frac{y}{2}) \cos((\varphi_3(z)^{i+5} \frac{z}{2}) + k_{i+5} \sinh(\varphi_3(z)^{i+5} \frac{y}{2}) \sin((\varphi_3(z)^{i+5} \frac{z}{2}) \right] \]

\[ v = \sum_{i=1, 7, 13} \kappa_v \left[ (k_i \sinh(\varphi_i(z)^{i+1} \frac{y}{2}) \cos((\varphi_i(z)^{i+1} \frac{z}{2}) + k_{i+1} \sinh(\varphi_1(z)^{i+1} \frac{y}{2}) \sin((\varphi_1(z)^{i+1} \frac{z}{2}) \right] \]
\[ + \kappa_2 \left[ (k_{i+2} \sinh(\varphi_2(\psi_z)^{i+3} y) \cos((\psi_z)^{i+3} z) \right. \\
+ k_{i+3} \sinh(\varphi_2(\psi_z)^{i+3} y) \sin((\psi_z)^{i+3} z) \right] \\
+ \kappa_3 \left[ (k_{i+4} \sinh(\varphi_3(\psi_z)^{i+5} y) \cos((\psi_z)^{i+5} z) \right. \\
+ k_{i+5} \sinh(\varphi_3(\psi_z)^{i+5} y) \sin((\psi_z)^{i+5} z) \right] \\
\]

\[ w = \sum_{i=1,7,13,..n} \left[ (k_i \cosh(\varphi_1(\psi_z)^{i+1} y) \sin((\psi_z)^{i+1} z) \right. \\
+ k_{i+1} \cosh(\varphi_1(\psi_z)^{i+1} y) \cos((\psi_z)^{i+1} z) \right] \\
+ \kappa_2 \left[ (k_{i+2} \cosh(\varphi_2(\psi_z)^{i+3} y) \sin((\psi_z)^{i+3} z) \right. \\
+ k_{i+3} \cosh(\varphi_2(\psi_z)^{i+3} y) \cos((\psi_z)^{i+3} z) \right] \\
+ \kappa_3 \left[ (k_{i+4} \cosh(\varphi_3(\psi_z)^{i+5} y) \sin((\psi_z)^{i+5} z) \right. \\
+ k_{i+5} \cosh(\varphi_3(\psi_z)^{i+5} y) \cos((\psi_z)^{i+5} z) \right] \]
in the upper layer and

\[ u = \sum_{i=1, 4, 7 \ldots n} \left( \kappa_{u_1}(k_i \sinh(\varphi_1(\psi_z)_{i+1}^\frac{1}{2} y) \cos((\psi_z)_{i+1}^\frac{1}{2} z) \\
+ \kappa_{u_2}(k_{i+1} \sinh(\varphi_2(\psi_z)_{i+3}^\frac{1}{2} y) \cos((\psi_z)_{i+3}^\frac{1}{2} z) \\
+ \kappa_{u_3}(k_{i+2} \sinh(\varphi_3(\psi_z)_{i+5}^\frac{1}{2} y) \cos((\psi_z)_{i+5}^\frac{1}{2} z) \right) \right] \]

\[ v = \sum_{i=1, 4, 7 \ldots n} \left( \kappa_{v_1}(k_i \sinh(\varphi_1(\psi_z)_{i+1}^\frac{1}{2} y) \cos((\psi_z)_{i+1}^\frac{1}{2} z) \\
+ \kappa_{v_2}(k_{i+1} \sinh(\varphi_2(\psi_z)_{i+3}^\frac{1}{2} y) \cos((\psi_z)_{i+3}^\frac{1}{2} z) \\
+ \kappa_{v_3}(k_{i+2} \sinh(\varphi_3(\psi_z)_{i+5}^\frac{1}{2} y) \cos((\psi_z)_{i+5}^\frac{1}{2} z) \right) \right] \]

\[ w = \sum_{i=1, 4, 7 \ldots n} \left[ k_i \cosh(\varphi_1(\psi_z)_{i+1}^\frac{1}{2} y) \sin((\psi_z)_{i+1}^\frac{1}{2} z) \\
+ k_{i+1} \cosh(\varphi_2(\psi_z)_{i+3}^\frac{1}{2} y) \sin((\psi_z)_{i+3}^\frac{1}{2} z) \right] \]
\[ + k_{i+a} \cosh(\psi_i (\psi_z)^{i+s} y) \sin((\psi_z)^{i+s} z) \]

in the middle layer. The matrix \( \mathcal{G} \) is formed from linear combination of these displacements and their partial derivatives and then summing terms for each \( k \).

The average residual is the root mean square value of the total residual from the collocation points. All applicable boundary conditions are used at each point for simplicity. Collocation allows a choice of the conditions to be applied at the singular point. In practice, it appears that imposing more than displacement continuity, the difference is seen only very near the singularity (e.g. \( r/h < 0.1 \)) with no set of conditions greatly superior. It was decided that only displacement continuity be imposed. In fact, this will be appropriate for the majority of problems which will be undefined at this point. Because of the point distribution, the average residual taken from these points is strongly weighted at the edge \( y=b \).

In Figure 4.3.4 the average collocation residual is plotted against \( f_z \) for \( n=5,10,20 \) in both layers. It shows a flat minimum for \( f_z \approx 1.3 \). Essentially, it appears that the minimum residual w.r.t. \( f_z \) (\( \approx 1.3 \)) establishes the fundamental frequency which is present in the solution so that increasing \( f_z \) has little effect. In Figure 4.3.5 the residual is plotted against \( n \) for \( f_z=1.3 \). The residual decreases slowly for \( n>25 \). The rate of convergence appears to be about \( O(1/n) \) for both cases. It is not proven that
Figure 4.3.4 Average collocation residual vs. $f_z$ for varying number of DOF.
Figure 4.3.5 Average collocation residual vs. number of DOF.
the residual will asymptotically approach zero but does reach a very low value.

In Figures 4.3.6,7 the stresses from various solutions show that solutions are sensitive to changes in the total residual due to varying $f_z$ and $n$. Most important, it can be seen that although increasing $n$ lowers the residual, it can also be seen that for $f_z=.8$ the solutions behave badly. For $f_z > f_z \text{ opt} (>1.3)$ the solutions are acceptable. The results appear to be stable with respect to small changes in the residual but using a value of $f_z > f_z \text{ opt}$ seems vital. Fortunately, for this problem at least the minimum region is very flat for $f_z > f_z \text{ opt}$; and in fact a higher value of $f_z$ is desirable since fewer collocation points are required for a solution. From the asymptotic approximation of the convergence the exact stresses $\sigma$ could be approximated from two solutions from different $n$, i.e. $n_1, n_2$ by

$$\sigma \approx (\sigma_1 - n_2 \sigma_2 / n_1) / (1 - n_2 / n_1).$$  \hfill (4.3.3)

Without using equation (4.3.3) solutions obtained are compared with those of other workers in Figure 4.3.8 a-e). The others are:

- a finite difference by Pipes (1970),

- a constant strain 3 node
  finite element solution by Wang and Crossman (1977),
Figure 4.3.6 Influence of $f_z$ on interface stresses for 5 DOF with $f_z = .8, 1.5, 2.0$; and 20 DOF with $f_z = .8, 1.3, 2.0$. 
Figure 4.3.7 Interface stresses for 5 and 25 DOF with $f_x=1.3$. 
Figure 4.3.8 a,b) Interface stress from present method in comparison with singular, FD, FE solutions.
Figure 4.3.8 c,d) Interface interlaminar stresses from the present method in comparison with singular and FE solutions.
- and a collocation solution with singular functions by Wang(1982).

The material properties are listed in Table 4.1.

The finite difference solution used a uniform grid of points throughout the domain and was not dense enough to obtain reasonable accuracy resulting in \( \sigma_z \) and \( \sigma_y \) negligible everywhere. In Wang's(1982) solution all stresses except \( \tau_{yz} \) are singular. Using \( n=30 \) the present method is in excellent agreement with Wang(1982) except very near the singular point for \( \sigma_x \) and \( \tau_{xy} \). Using a special storage technique Wang and Crossman's solution required 18 seconds on a Univac-1108 for 678 degrees of freedom (DOF). The results shown for the present method are for 270 DOF and required 243 seconds on a Digital Vax 8800 machine. For results having accuracy comparable to Wang(1977), 108 DOF and 22 seconds on a Vax 8800 were required.
TABLE 4.1 Material Properties and Dimensions
for Problems in the Literature

\[ E_{11} = 20.0 \text{ Msi (137.9 Gpa)} \]

\[ \nu_{12} = \nu_{13} = \nu_{23} = .21 \]

\[ E_{22} = E_{33} = 2.1 \text{ Msi (14.48 GPa)} \]

\[ G_{12} = G_{13} = G_{23} = .85 \text{ Msi (4.98 GPa)} \]
4.3.2.2 Crossplied Symmetric Laminate

For the $[0/90]_s$ and $[90/0]_s$ laminates the displacement functions are:

$$
u = \sum_{i=1, 4, 8, \ldots n} \kappa_{u_2} \left[ \left( k_{i+1} \sinh \left( \varphi_2 \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+1} \frac{y}{2} \right) \cos \left( \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+1} z \right) \right) + k_{i+1} \sinh \left( \varphi_2 \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+1} \frac{y}{2} \right) \sin \left( \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+1} z \right) \right]$$

$$+ \kappa_{u_3} \left[ \left( k_{i+2} \sinh \left( \varphi_3 \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+2} \frac{y}{2} \right) \cos \left( \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+2} z \right) \right) + k_{i+3} \sinh \left( \varphi_2 \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+3} \frac{y}{2} \right) \sin \left( \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+3} z \right) \right]$$

$$v = \sum_{i=1, 4, 8, \ldots n} \kappa_{v_2} \left[ \left( k_{i+1} \sinh \left( \varphi_2 \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+1} \frac{y}{2} \right) \cos \left( \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+1} z \right) \right) + k_{i+1} \sinh \left( \varphi_2 \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+1} \frac{y}{2} \right) \sin \left( \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+1} z \right) \right]$$

$$+ \kappa_{v_3} \left[ \left( k_{i+2} \sinh \left( \varphi_3 \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+2} \frac{y}{2} \right) \cos \left( \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+2} z \right) \right) + k_{i+3} \sinh \left( \varphi_3 \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+3} \frac{y}{2} \right) \sin \left( \left( \varphi_z \right)_{i+3} z \right) \right]$$
\[ w = \sum_{i=1, 4, 8 \ldots n} \left[ k_i \cosh(\varphi_1 (\psi_z)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} y) \sin((\psi_z)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} z) 
\right.
\]
\[ + k_{i+1} \cosh(\varphi_1 (\psi_z)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} y) \cos((\psi_z)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} z) 
\]
\[ + \kappa_2 \left[ (k_{i+2} \cosh(\varphi_2 (\psi_z)_{i+\frac{3}{2}} y) \sin((\psi_z)_{i+\frac{3}{2}} z) 
\right]
\[ + k_{i+3} \cosh(\varphi_2 (\psi_z)_{i+\frac{3}{2}} y) \cos((\psi_z)_{i+\frac{3}{2}} z) \right] \]

in the upper layer and

\[ u = \sum_{i=1, 3, 5 \ldots n} \left[ \kappa_u k_i \sinh(\varphi_2 (\psi_z)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} y) \cos((\psi_z)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} z) 
\right]
\[ + \kappa_u k_{i+1} \sinh(\varphi_3 (\psi_z)_{i+\frac{3}{2}} y) \cos((\psi_z)_{i+\frac{3}{2}} z) \right] \]

\[ v = \sum_{i=1, 3, 5 \ldots n} \left[ \kappa_v k_i \sinh(\varphi_2 (\psi_z)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} y) \cos((\psi_z)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} z) 
\right]
\[ + \kappa_v k_{i+1} \sinh(\varphi_3 (\psi_z)_{i+\frac{3}{2}} y) \cos((\psi_z)_{i+\frac{3}{2}} z) \right] \]

\[ w = \sum_{i=1, 3, 5 \ldots n} \left[ k_i \cosh(\varphi_3 (\psi_z)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} y) \sin((\psi_z)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} z) \right. 
\]
\[ + k_{i+1} \cosh(\varphi_3 (\psi_z)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} y) \cos((\psi_z)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} z) \left. \right] \]
\[ + k_{i+1} \cosh(\varphi_i(\psi_{i+1}) \frac{y}{a}) \sin((\psi_{i+1}) \frac{z}{a}) \]

in the middle layer.

For crossplied laminates the convergence is demonstrated in Figure 4.3.9. It was found that \( f_z \approx 1.9 \) yields the lowest residual and a flat minimum. The average residual is low in comparison to the \([\pm 45]_s\) initially and reduces at roughly the same relative rate of \( O(1/n) \).

Raju and Crews (1981) presented solutions from 8-noded quadrilateral finite elements in three meshes having about 400, 1400 and 3600 DOF. The densest mesh was graded in a radial pattern towards the singularity. The results showed rapid convergence in this respect along \( z=h \) for \( \sigma_z \) in the \([0/90]_s\) case; results of all three meshes were not presented for the \([90/0]_s\) case. In Figure 4.3.10 a) results from the present method are shown and compare well with Raju's densest mesh except near the singularity for \( n=5 \). Plotted for \( y=b \) the same results show excellent agreement except for \( n=5 \). It can be seen in this Figure 4.3.10 b) that the magnitude of \( \sigma_z \) near the singularity depends upon the direction of approach. For \([90/0]_s\) in Figure 4.3.11 again there is excellent agreement with Raju except for \( n=5 \) which is fair. For \( n=30 \) (180 DOF) the solution required 61 CPU seconds.

Wang and Crossman (1977) presented similar FE results
Figure 4.3.9 Average collocation residual for $f_z=1.9$ vs number of DOF.
Figure 4.3.10 Interlaminar normal stress compared with FE solution.
Figure 4.3.11 Interlaminar interface normal stress from present method in comparison with FE solution.
using 3 node triangular elements in a mesh having 678 DOF. For \([90/0]_S\) \(\sigma_z\) in Figure 4.3.12 from the present for \(n=30\) agrees well with Wang except near the singularity where the difference is large; in fact Wang's solution does not show a singularity and \(\sigma_z\) is compressive. The only difference between this laminate and that in Raju(1981) is w/t which should not affect results in the boundary layer. This result demonstrates the extreme refinement that is required for FE accuracy near the singularity.

There is an inherent formulation advantage in using the present method when \(u=0\) as in these problems. The redundant computation of u displacements is easily avoided in the present method resulting in fewer DOF.

4.3.3 Discussion

The method complements other methods in several aspects. Wang's(1982) laminate elasticity collocation solution is believed to be highly accurate and directly yields the order \(\delta\) of the singularity. As mentioned, it does not include the \(lnr\) singularity shown to exist by Zwiers(1982) in the majority of configurations. Wang's method is similar to the present in that it requires collocation. Although Wang's method satisfies the free edge, for problems with more than one singularity, collocation points have to be on the same boundaries as in the present. Wang's formulation is more complicated and inflexible for other problems since the boundary conditions across \(z=h\) and \(y=b\) are formulated exactly for specific geometries. For example, it would require reformulation for a coated edge
Figure 4.3.12 Interlaminar interface normal stress from present method in comparison with FE solution.
problem. The same applies for singular hybrid elements. In both, the order of the singularity which is approximate for most laminates must be calculated beforehand depending upon the intersection angle and the properties of adjacent plies. This would be cumbersome for modeling multilayer laminates.

Standard finite elements require complex highly refined meshes and show extremely slow $h$-convergence in the vicinity of the singularity. Tong and Pian (1973) showed that $p$-convergence may not be better than $h$-convergence in the vicinity of the singularity. According to Tong and Pian's (1973) estimates the order of convergence will worsen as $\omega$ increases, such as for a reentrant corner at the interface. To eliminate complex meshes, optimisation by computer algorithms is a poor approach because of the 'curse of dimension' as more nodal points are included. Further, for multilayer laminates the bandwidth of the final matrix increases. The increase is limited but if complex meshes are used node numbering schemes would be used to minimize the bandwidth.

It has been observed that the FE method requires increasing mesh density towards the singularity. For some three dimensional problems it will not be necessary to have a high element density along the line of the singularity; e.g. for an unloaded hole in the previous chapter. If, for example, there is a line load intersecting the singular line (e.g. a bearing load in a hole) presumably the FE density will have to increase in three dimensions increasing the DOF and complexity of the mesh by an order of magnitude. The rule of discarding two elements adjacent to the singular point will eliminate 32 elements! The FE method will then be computationally inefficient. The present method is
potentially better.

The present method offers many problem dependent advantages over other methods.

- The collocation points are simply distributed on the boundary alone which simplifies discretisation over FE and FD procedures.

- The residual provides a meaningful measure of accuracy.

- Relative storage requirements increase only proportional to the number of layers,

- Optimal $\Psi$ may be sought for improved performance.

- trial functions are chosen to satisfy symmetry and only for active DOF easily eliminating redundant DOF.

- extension to three dimensions will potentially amplify the advantages over FE methods.

Foremost, it is flexible in formulation for material, geometry and loading.

4.3.4. Summary

A simple systematic solution procedure has been developed and examined for performance and compared for common problems with other methods. The results show $O(1/n)$ rate of convergence and lower DOF than the FE results. The present is not a rigorous comparison between methods. The
present approach appears to be competitive with other methods depending upon the problem. There also appears to be potential for improvement. On the basis of the demonstrated accuracy and solution checks available the method may be used to study problems other than the test problems.
4.4 Solution of Selected Problems

4.4.1 Description of Problems

In this section the stress state of plates with square free edges is investigated. Selected are problems with straight free edges as in Figure 4.3.3 where CLT stresses are assumed to exist outside the boundary layer. The object is to expand the range of observation, further understanding of edge stresses, and in so doing gain experience and confidence in the mode of solution.

$N_N$, $M_N$ and $M_{xy}$ make up the loading basis. It should be remembered that CLT bending deformations are for thin plates and do not include the effects of transverse shear. Unless otherwise noted in all the following problems the material properties used are from Table 3.2 for graphite/epoxy. Since the stresses vary across the width actual resultant load would be obtained by integration over the entire domain. However, the CLT value is a good average estimate which improves with increasing width/thickness.

Aspects to study are the effects of ply shuffling and heterogeneous antisymmetric stacking sequences. Ply shuffling (e.g. from [0/90/90]_s to [0/90]_10s) is attractive to designers because shuffled laminates behave more closely to homogeneous materials having no deformation coupling and effects due to stacking sequence. On the other hand, if coupling is desired heterogeneous laminates must be used. The CLT stresses are affected by changes in stacking sequence; they must equilibrate with interlaminar (IL) stresses in some manner.

The IL stresses equilibrate with the CLT stresses as depicted in Figure 4.4.1. Outside the boundary layer the moment due to $\sigma_y$ is evaluated; this couple must be balanced by $\sigma_z$. Further, equilibrium of $\tau_{xy}$ and $\sigma_y$ directly must be balanced by the net load due to $\tau_{xz}$ and $\tau_{yz}$ respectively as shown. This analysis does not apply to holes since $\partial\sigma/\partial\theta\neq 0$ in general; ignoring this may result in grossly innaccurate
Figure 4.4.1 Stress resultant free body analysis of boundary layer IL and CLT inplane stresses for a section $z_o < z < t$. 
and unpredictable estimates.

4.4.2 Crossply Laminates

4.4.2.1 \([90/0]_{ns}, [0/90]_{ns}\) Laminates

Shuffling the plies of a symmetric crossply laminate changes the CLT inplane ply stresses without affecting the CLT inplane stiffness matrix \(\overline{A}\) (see Appendix A). In response to a load \(N_x\) the effect of shuffling plies on the interlaminar edge stresses (at \(y=b\)) can be seen in Figure 4.4.2 by comparing \([90/0]_{s}\) and \([90/0]_{3s}\) laminates. The difference between laminate and sublaminate stresses is barely changed on the edge.

Using the equilibrium analysis it can be seen that the couple on individual plies reduces for repeating sublaminates and the total couple on the midplane is also reduced. If a symmetric laminate in uniform extension has a couple at \(y=0\) on the upper half, then if the symmetric laminate is divided into 2n sublaminates with the same total thickness as in Figure 4.4.3, then the total moment on the upper half becomes \(1/n\) of that in the single sublamine.

In this case the response to the decreased moment is a decrease in depth of the boundary layer by \(1/n\) (see Figure 4.4.4). The shuffled laminate provides more stress concentration sites which conceivably provides more opportunities to initiate delamination. In both cases \(\sigma_z\) is low (less than 5% of the gross applied stress: \(N_x/2t\)).

For a bending load \(M_x\) the stresses for both crossply stacking sequences \([0/90]_s\) and \([90/0]_s\) are shown in Figure 4.4.5. The displacements w.r.t. \(z\) are: \(u, v - \) odd and \(w - \) even. The two stacking sequences represent highest and lowest bending stiffness for crossply symmetric (i.e. maximum \(D_{11}\)). It can be seen in Figure 4.4.5 that the flexible \([90/0]_s\) laminate has the larger interlaminar
Figure 4.4.2 IL edge stresses for unshuffled and shuffled crossply symmetric laminates with $N_x$ applied.

Note: gross applied stress $\sigma_0 = N_x/2t$. 
Figure 4.4.3 Shuffling plies from $[0/90]_s$ ($n_1=1$) to $[0/90]_{3s}$ ($n_2=3$) reduces the net couple at $y=0$ on a ply pair by $(n_1/n_2)^2$ and the couple on the upper half by $n_1/n_2$ for $N_x$ applied.
Figure 4.4.4 Il normal stress along the interface at $z/t = 0.5$ for unshuffled and shuffled crossply symmetric laminates. Boundary layer depth is reduced by shuffling.
Figure 4.4.5 IL free edge stresses of crossplied symmetric laminates with $M_x$ applied.
stresses. Although not shown, it was noted that the boundary layer in both cases is one laminate thickness, i.e. 2t.

As the layers are shuffled to [90/0], and [0/90], the bending stiffnesses move closer to those of a quasi-homogeneous lay-up. The edge stresses (see Figures 4.4.6,7) behave in a straightforward manner w.r.t. the CLT stresses. The decreased moments on the interfaces are responded to (see Figure 4.4.8) by a decrease in the BL depth while IL stress maxima increase proportional to the distance from the midplane. Overall, no stacking sequence appears to be clearly superior for reducing the maximum magnitude of the interlaminar stresses relative to load; but, there does appear to be some advantage in having the outer ply oriented 90° to reduce σz near the outermost interface. In all cases the boundary layer depth throughout the laminate was about 4h.

4.4.2.2 [0/90]n and [90/0]n Laminates

From the class of laminates having equal numbers of alternating 0° and 90° layers of equal thickness the [0/90] exhibits the greatest coupling between bending and extension deformation (i.e. maximum B11). For this problem the displacement functions used in both layers are the same as was used in the upper layer for the symmetric crossplied laminates since there is no symmetry across the midplane. The total thickness of the laminate is denoted by t.

For load N_x the IL stresses are shown in Figure 4.4.9. The interlaminar stresses closely resemble the tension side of the [90/0] laminate for M_x applied. This is understandable since their deformation is similar.

For a load M_x the stresses appear in Figure 4.4.10. In this case the IL edge stresses shift from what they are for N_x applied towards compression possibly due to ε_x being lower on the midplane than for N_x applied.
Figure 4.4.6 CLT inplane stresses (top) at y=0 for shuffled and unshuffled crossplied symmetric laminates and (lower) IL free edge stresses for shuffled laminate.
Figure 4.4.7 CLT inplane stresses (top) at y=0 for shuffled and unshuffled crossplied symmetric laminates and (lower) Il free edge stresses for shuffled laminate.
Figure 4.4.8 II stresses along interfaces of shuffled and unshuffled crossplied symmetric laminates for $M_x$ applied.
Figure 4.4.9 IL free edge stresses (top) and interface IL stresses (lower) of a crossplied asymmetric laminate with $N_x$ applied.
Figure 4.4.10 Il free edge stresses (top) and interface IIl stresses (lower) for crossplied asymmetric laminate with $M_x$ applied. BL depth is twice the laminate's thickness.
4.4.2.3 Summary

Overall, crossply laminates exhibit weak interlaminar stresses at the interface of less than 10% of the gross average stress. In bending and extension, shuffling the plies alters bending stiffness and reduces the depth of the boundary layer proportional to the decrease in ply thickness. The IL edge stress peaks increase in magnitude roughly proportional to the distance from the midplane.

4.4.3 Angle-Ply Laminates

4.4.3.1 [±θ]ns Laminates

For this laminate in pure bending ($M_x \neq 0$) the displacements w.r.t. z are: u, v - odd, w - even so the trial functions are chosen accordingly in the middle layer. The configuration is as in Figure 4.4.3 with different α's. Shown in Figure 4.4.11 are the results for a [±45]s. As for pure tension $\sigma_z$ is compressive on the tension side so indicating that delamination would initiate on the compression side. In this case it would be interesting to determine if the delamination would propagate causing buckling of loose plies.

As the configuration is changed to [±45]s the coupling terms $B_{16}$ and $B_{26}$ decrease in magnitude. In Figure 4.4.11(bottom) it shows that the singular interlaminar stresses on the edge are affected by bending in a straightforward manner. The distributions on the sublaminate edges show IL stress magnitude increasing roughly in proportion to the distance from the midplane. The maximum interface averages are roughly the same in both cases. Shuffling causes a change in the distribution of $\sigma_z$ along the interface at z/t=.5: there are two zero crossings in the boundary layer. The depth of the boundary layer (see Figure 4.4.12) remains at roughly 4h in both cases decreasing absolutely due to shuffling.
Figure 4.4.11 II free edge stresses for unshuffled (top) and shuffled (lower) symmetric angle-ply for $M_x$ applied.
Figure 4.4.12 IL stresses along interface at z/t = .5 for unshuffled (top) and shuffled (lower) angle-plied laminate with $M_x$ applied.
Angle-ply laminates yield a high $D_{55}$ stiffness and so are often used to resist torsion or twisting loads. Symmetric laminates also have a fully populated D matrix and so exhibit bending coupling in response to pure twist loads; the coupling diminishes as the plies are shuffled. The CLT stresses for a $[\pm 45]_s$ with $M_{xy} \neq 0$ are shown in Figure 4.4.13. In this problem, $\tau_{xz}$ reapproaches zero near the singularity and is maximum near the midplane.

As the plies are shuffled to $[\pm 45]_s$ so that $D_{16}$ and $D_{26}$ are reduced to one third of their value for $[\pm 45]_s$; the CLT stresses become as shown in Figure 4.4.14. The distribution of $\tau_{xz}$ is similar to the unshuffled laminate except that since $\tau_{xy}$ at $y=0$ redistributes slightly reducing the value of $\int_0^t \tau_{xy} dz$ the extremum of $\tau_{xz}$ at the midplane is lower in magnitude. At $z/t=.5$ however, the difference in $\int_{z=0}^{z=t} \tau_{xy} dz$ is negligible so the BL depth and distribution of $\tau_{xz}$ on the interface do not change (see Figure 4.4.15). Shuffling redistributes $\sigma_y$ at $y=0$ so that the maximum of $\sigma_z$ and the BL depth are reduced.

4.4.3.2 $[\pm \theta]_n$ Laminates

Antisymmetric angle-ply laminates have coupling between extension-twist and bending-inplane shear for a finite number of plies i.e. $B_{16}, B_{26} \neq 0$.

The displacements are: $u, w$ - even $w$ - odd. For this problem the solution functions for both layers are the same as for the upper layer in the $[\pm \theta]_s$ problem. It is possible to model only the top layer imposing $u_z, w_z, v, v_{zz} = 0$ on $z=0$; but the entire laminate was modeled so $t$ denotes the laminate thickness. In Figure 4.4.16 for tensile $N_x$ applied
Figure 4.4.13 CLT inplane stresses at y=0 (top) and il free edge stresses (lower) for angle-plied symmetric laminate with $M_{xy}$ applied.
Figure 4.4.14 CLT inplane stresses (top) and resulting II free edge stresses (lower) for shuffled angle-plied symmetric laminate with $M_{xy}$ applied.
Figure 4.4.15 II stresses along z/t=.5 interfaces of unshuffled (top) and shuffled (lower) angle-plied symmetric laminates for $M_{xy}$ applied.
Figure 4.4.16 II free edge stresses (top) and interface II stresses (lower) of antisymmetric angle-plyed laminate for $N_x$ applied.
\( \tau_{xz} \) is strongest, \( \sigma_z \) is compressive on the free edge, and
\( \tau_{yz} \) is small as in the symmetric laminate.

For \( M_x \) applied the results are shown in Figures 4.4.17,18. In this case the displacements across \( z=0 \) are:
\( u,v \) - even and \( w \) - odd. Interestingly, in this case near
the singularity \( \tau_{yz} \) dominates while all the other stresses
inclusing the inplane stresses vanish. The other
interlaminar stresses increase only in the region away from
the singularity. For laminates of the same size the
maximums of \( \sigma_z \) and \( \tau_{xz} \) for the antisymmetric dimensions are
less than one quarter of the singular stresses of symmetric
laminate.

For \( M_{xy} \) applied the displacements w.r.t. \( z \) are: \( u,v \)
- odd and \( w \) - even. The \( B_{16} \) term couples twist to extension
in this laminate. In Figure 4.4.19 it can be seen that the
IL tensile normal stress at the midplane/interface is very
large and dependent upon the sign of \( M_{xy} \). This configuration
appears to be very susceptible to delamination for a
twisting load which causes a negative \( \tau_x \) by coupling.

4.4.3.3 Summary

The IL edge stresses increase in proportion to the
distance from the midplane in shuffled laminates. The BL
depth is strongly related to the CLT forces and moment at
\( y=0 \). Antisymmetric \([\pm45]\) show IL stresses similar to
the symmetric case for \( N_x \) applied, much lower for
bending, but are worse for twist.

4.4.4 Quasi-Isotropic Laminates

As a replacement for conventional materials this
class of laminates is heavily used. The angles in the
laminate progress in a \( \pi/n \) increment e.g. \([0/60/-60....]_s\),
\([0/45/90/-45....]_s\),\([0/36/72/-18/-54....]_s\), \([(0/90....]_s \) is
orthotropic). Stacking sequence does not influence inplane
Figure 4.4.17 Il free edge stresses for antisymmetric angle-plied with $M_x$ applied.
Figure 4.4.18 Il free edge stresses (top) and inplane stresses (lower) of antisymmetric angle-plied laminate for $M_x$ applied.
Figure 4.4.19 IL free edge stresses (top) and IL interface stresses (lower) of antisymmetric angle-plied laminate for $M_{xy}$ applied.
stiffness or CLT ply stresses for $N_x$ applied but does affect the moments at $y=0$. These laminates have also received much attention for uniform extension of symmetric laminates using FE solutions (e.g. see Whitcomb (1984)). In this brief subsection the effects of stacking sequence for $N_x$ applied are examined.

$\pi/3$ laminates exhibit negligible free edge stresses in uniform extension so $\pi/4$ are investigated. In order to minimize the midplane moment the plies can be stacked in a "spiral" sequence i.e. $[0/+45/90/-45]_g$ (but not $[45/90/-45/0]_g$) which minimizes the pure couple due to $\sigma_y$. By this measure the worst possible case would be $[\pm 45/0/90]_g$ for a $\pi/4$. These and various other cases are shown in Figure 4.4.20 with the inplane couples and the free edge stresses are shown in Figure 4.4.21.

The $\sigma_y$ couple influences the midplane edge value of $\sigma_z$ predictably. In Figure 4.4.22 the midplane distributions of $\sigma_z$ show boundary layer depth and maximum stress predicted by the magnitude and sign of the couple. Unless the $90^\circ$ ply is placed on the upper surface, the edge magnitude is not greatly influence by stacking sequence. The BL depth changes in response to changing moment.

There are two basic stacking sequences distinguished by whether the $45^\circ$ layers are adjacent. When they are adjacent $\tau_{yz}$ is significant while it is negligible when they are not grouped. Also, $\tau_{xz}$ is stronger at $\pm 45$ interfaces than at $90/45$ or $90/-45$ interfaces even though the net shear force is the same.

The couple at $y=0$ predicts the sign of $\sigma_z$ at $y=b$ and its magnitude is a balance of the magnitude of $\sigma_z$ and the depth of the boundary layer. The maximum IL edge stress depends upon the orientation of the adjacent layers. It is better to consider the possible interaction between adjacent plies due to poisson and shear coefficient mismatch (e.g. $\eta_1 = \nu_6/\nu_1$ for $N_x \neq 0$) than the couple at $y=0$ to estimate IL
Figure 4.4.20 Influence of stacking sequence on the resultant couple of a half laminate. In order from largest couple causing compressive IL normal edge stress to tensile they are D,E,A,C,B.
Figure 4.4.21 a) IL edge stresses for stacking sequence A (top) and B.
Figure 4.4.21 b) IL edge stresses for stacking sequence D (top) and C.
Figure 4.4.21 c) IL edge stresses for stacking sequence E.
Figure 4.4.22 11 normal stress on the midplane of quasi-isotropic laminates shows relation of couple to BL depth and stress magnitude.
edge stresses.

4.4.5 Discussion and Conclusions

From a simple equilibrium analysis it can be seen that both the maximum IL stress and depth of the boundary layer change to equilibrate the CLT stresses occurring outside the boundary layer. Laminate and sublaminate thickness determines boundary layer depth only insofar as it affects the far field CLT stresses; IL stresses are highly problem dependent. Equilibrium analysis has only limited use for predicting the IL stresses since, for example, the \( \sigma_z \) couple depends upon maximum stress, the BL depth and also the number of zero crossings in the BL which is often more than two. This equilibrium analysis cannot be used for circular holes without potentially gross error since \( \partial \sigma / \partial \theta \neq 0 \) for holes.

For all loads and cases, the maximum stresses on the edge of shuffled laminates were not reduced. For bending and twisting the stresses of shuffled laminates increased in proportion to the distance from the midplane so that the maximum was shifted towards the laminate surface.

The boundary layer depth was less than 5 laminate thicknesses in all cases.

Finally, on the mode of solution, shortcuts to accurate solutions are not obvious. From observations, solutions to the complete boundary value problem without assumptions beyond those made here will consistently yield results of sufficient accuracy.
CHAPTER 5

CLOSURE

5.1 Summary

Using the classical linear elastic material model of a fiber-reinforced composite, the stresses in composite laminates near edges have been investigated by approximate solution of the equations of elasticity for static loads and by measurement. The investigation was undertaken based on the assumption that free edge stresses play a significant role in the failure processes of laminates and will contribute to the understanding and prevention of free edge failures.

Finite element solutions for plates with holes using standard displacement-formulated isoparametric elements showed $h$-dependence of stresses in the region near the surmised singularity but using a substructuring scheme acceptable results overall in the boundary layer were obtained with reasonable computer resources. However, the $h$-dependence of stresses near the singularity cannot be neglected for the effect on magnitude while distributions (or shape) were less dependent.

Measurements of hole surface normal strains were in good agreement with FE results for the plates investigated having large values of $Rt/a^2$. For $\varepsilon_z$, near the singularity the measured strains were shown in FE solutions for models
of instrumented plates to have been significantly influenced by the mechanical behaviour of the gages. From limited data, the measured strains support the predictions of the model only when the gages are included. From these results, any method using coatings in a similar situation should be suspected of effects on the measurements.

FE solutions showed on the hole surface of \([0/90]_s\), \([90/0]_s\), and \([90/0]\) Graphite/Epoxy plates that \(\tau_{z\theta}\) is the strongest interlaminar stress and is maximum at the interface but everywhere less than the applied stress. The interlaminar stresses do not vanish as \(R/t\) increases but, in fact, can increase although a state appears to be approached asymptotically with increasing \(R/t\); very thick plates were not modeled so no similar statement can be made for very low \(R/t\). The \([90/0]\) plates had the largest maximum of \(\sigma_z\) for all cases. \(R/t\) did not appear to significantly alter \(\sigma_z\) at the interface in any case. \(R/t\) and stacking sequence dramatically affects the distribution of \(\sigma_z\) on the midplane of symmetric plates although the maximum on the hole surface was observed to be less than 20% of the applied stress. Overall the most severe hole stress state occurred for the \([90/0]\) laminate where the hole surface interface stresses were very large.

From observations on the FE results a method of estimating the circumferential stress on the hole surface of a laminate using plane stress and plate theory formulas for single layers is proposed. When compared with FE results for both symmetric and unsymmetric plates, the two dimensional solutions bounded the maximum \(\sigma_\theta\) for the range
of R/t 1-25. An heuristic explanation is that the methods roughly model bonded and unbonded layers and the effects of bonding are relatively more localized near the interface as R/t increases. This method, after further verification, may provide easy estimates, increase understanding and so benefit designers.

Reinforcement of a hole with an elastic ring can mitigate the interlaminar stresses and reduce the maximum stress concentration in the plate. In the process the overall stress state is altered as radial stresses emerge. The stress state in the plate may be tailored by varying ring thickness and rigidity.

A procedure for solving problems involving laminates with certain anisotropy of the layer material properties valid for cases where ∂σ/∂x=0 was developed and used to investigate angle-ply and cross-ply; shuffled and unshuffled; symmetric, asymmetric, and antisymmetric Gr/Ep laminates for CLT loadings Mx, Nx and Mxy. In comparison to other approaches successfully taken in the literature this method is very competitive in terms simplicity, flexibility, and computing resources.

While interlaminar stresses must satisfy equilibrium with stresses outside the boundary layer, the BL depth and stress distribution are too variable and problem dependent for estimates using the CLT stress resultants to be accurate. Therefore, IL stresses are adequately determined at present only by solution of the complete boundary value problem.
5.2 **Recommendations for Future Work**

Although the severity of the stress state is determined by failure criteria which is material dependent generally the high stresses at the surmised singularity appear to be most serious. Paradoxically, it is in this region that the verity of the model and measurements are most doubtful. From what has been observed in the present investigation, more detailed work in measurement, more solution accuracy in modeling, and better interpretation of the results will be required to understand and predict the behaviour at the interface/edge intersection.

Although the results were valuable, the FE method of solution used in Chapter 3 was inefficient and so is of limited use. Therefore it is not recommended that any further work (e.g. convergence studies) be done in developing the method for three-dimensional laminate edge problems.

Enlarged models is the approach recommended for measurement. Measurement of $\tau_{z\theta}$, which was not feasible in the present work, should be attempted since $\tau_{z\theta}$ is observed to be a significant stress.

Prevention of delamination may be possible by mitigating the stress state in the boundary layer. Hole reinforcing rings appear promising. Experimental work could be based on the results presented here. Coatings should be investigated for straight edges as well. Coatings could be
used for configurations which might otherwise be avoided due to severe free edge stresses.

The mode of solution in Chapter 4 requires: further work on the use of the residual as an error estimate, analysis of the homogeneous solution functions as approximation functions, and to exploit the low number of degrees of freedom in solutions in terms of computing resources. As a suggestion, other collocation point distribution schemes and frequency distributions may lead to a reduction in the computing resources required.
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Appendix A: Equations of Classical Lamination Theory

Following Kirchoff's hypothesis that in any deformation plane sections remain plane the laminate

displacements are given by

\[ u = u_0 - z w_x \]
\[ v = v_0 - z w_y \]

where \(u_0, v_0\) are the displacements at \(z=0\). The strains are then

\[ \varepsilon_x = \varepsilon_{x0} - z k_x \]
\[ \varepsilon_y = \varepsilon_{y0} - z k_y \]
\[ \gamma_{xy} = \gamma_{xy0} - z k_{xy} \]

where

\[ k_x = w_{xx} \quad k_y = w_{yy} \quad k_{xy} = 2w_{xy} \]

And finally, the stresses are related to the strains by

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
N \\
M
\end{bmatrix} =
\begin{bmatrix}
A & B \\
B & D
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
\varepsilon_0 \\
k_0
\end{bmatrix}
\quad \text{where}

\[
[N \ M]^T =
\begin{bmatrix}
N_x & N_y & N_{xy} & M_x & M_y & M_{xy}
\end{bmatrix}
\]
\[
[\varepsilon_0 \ k_0] =
\begin{bmatrix}
\varepsilon_{x0} & \varepsilon_{y0} & \gamma_{xy0} & k_x & k_y & k_{xy}
\end{bmatrix}
\]

\[ A_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} (Q_{ij})^k (z_k - z_{k-1}) \]
\[ B_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{n} (Q_{ij})^k (z_k^2 - z_{k-1}^2) \]

and

\[ D_{ij} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=1}^{n} (Q_{ij})^k (z_k^3 - z_{k-1}^3) \]

and \(A, B, D\) are called the laminate stiffnesses. Compliances
are given by
\bar{a}= \bar{A}^{-1} \quad \bar{b}= \bar{B}^{-1} \quad \bar{a}= \bar{B}^{-1}.

For a symmetric laminate \( \bar{B}=0 \) (a 3x3 matrix of zeroes) and there is no bending-membrane coupling. If for every \( \alpha \) there is a \(-\alpha\) included then \( A_{16}=0 \).
Appendix B: Evaluation of Specimen Effective Moduli

In order to make the FE results relevant to the experimental work EM constants were determined for the specimen plates. \([0_8] \) for \(E_{11}, \nu_{12}; \) \([90_8] \) for \(E_{22}, \nu_{21}, \nu_{23}; \) and \([\pm 45_8] \) for \(G_{12} \) strips were characterized to obtain the values listed in Table 4.1. Along with fiber volume content of the characterization specimens these moduli are used for evaluating the EM properties as a function of the fiber volume. The relations between the constituent and composite properties are given by the following equations due to Hashin(1972)

\[ B1) \quad E_{11} = \eta_m E_m + \eta_f E_{fl} + \delta_e \]

\[ B2) \quad \nu_{12} = \nu_m \eta_m + \nu_f \nu_{fl} + \delta_{\nu} \]

\[ B3) \quad G_{12} = \frac{G_m (G_m \eta_m + G_{fl} (1+\eta_f))}{(G_m (1+\eta_f) + G_{fl} \eta_m)} \]

\[ B4) \quad G_{23} = \frac{G_m (1+(1+\beta_i) \eta_f)}{(R-\eta_f (1+3\beta_i^2 \eta_f^2/(\alpha \eta_f^3+1)))} \]

\[ B5) \quad E_{22} = \frac{4K_s G_{23}}{K_s + MG_{23}} \]
where the matrix properties are $\nu_m, E_m$ and $G_m = E_m / 2(1+\nu_m)$, the fiber properties are $E_{ft}, \nu_{ft}$ and $G_{ft} = E_{ft} / 2(1+\nu_{ft})$ in the transverse plane so that the fiber is transversely isotropic, and $E_{fl}, \nu_{fl}$ and $G_{fl}$ in the longitudinal direction. Also

$$\delta_e = \frac{(4(\nu_{fl}-\nu_m)^2 \eta_f \eta_m)}{\eta_f \eta_m + 1} \quad \delta_\nu = \frac{(\eta_f - \eta_m)(1/K_m - 1/K_f) \eta_f \eta_m}{\eta_f \eta_m + 1}$$

which are almost negligible, and

$$G_m = \frac{E_m}{2(1+\nu_m)} \quad K_m = \frac{G_m}{(1-2\nu_m)} \quad K_f = \frac{G_{ft}}{(1-2\nu_{ft})}$$

$$\beta_1 = \frac{K_m}{(K_m + 2G_m)} \quad \beta_2 = \frac{K_f}{(K_f + 2G_{ft})}$$

$$G = \frac{G_{ft}}{G_m} \quad \alpha = \frac{(\beta_1 - G \beta_2)}{(1 + G \beta_2)} \quad R = \frac{(G + \beta_1)}{(G - 1)}$$

$$K_s = \frac{(K_m(K_f+G_m) \eta_m + K_f(K_m+G_m) \eta_f)}{((K_f+G_m) \eta_m + (K_m+G_m) \eta_f)} \quad M = 1 + \frac{4K_m \nu_{12} \eta_f}{E_{11}}$$

The unknown values of the constituent moduli satisfy these equations when the EM values and $\eta_f$ in each are fixed. After finding the constituent moduli equations B1-5 yield the EM values as functions of $\eta_f$ only.
There are seven constituent properties while only five EM properties were measured. At these high fiber volume contents the matrix properties have very little influence on the calculated composite properties. Therefore, the manufacturer's values for $E_m$ and $\nu_m$ were estimated so that a numerical search could be made for the other constituent properties. A simple manual routine was used which searches for the minimum of the sum of squared differences between the measured EM values and the values calculated using the equations.

To begin the procedure initial values of the fiber properties are required. Beyond this, since $E_{11}, \nu_{12},$ and $G_{12}$ are, aside from the matrix properties, weakly coupled to each other and to $\nu_{23}$ and $E_{22},$ then using the manufacturer's values for $\nu_m$ and $E_m$ and the experimental data for $E_{11}, \nu_{12},$ and $G_{12}$ the constituent properties $G_{f1},$ $E_{f1},$ and $\nu_{f1}$ can be determined approximately. Further, by setting $\nu_{ft}$ and $G_{ft}$ simultaneously the properties $E_{22}, G_{23},$ and $\nu_{23}$ can be estimated. These are the values used to initialize the numerical method.

After reducing the error in B1-5 to less than the number of decimal places shown in the EM properties it was observed that changes of up to 10% in the matrix properties influenced, at worst, the 4th floating point digit in all the resulting final EM properties for the test plates.
Appendix C: Experimental Measurement Data

In the following tables C1 and C2 the slopes of stress/gage output curves are presented as the raw data. The measurements identified in the tables by gage length in thousandths of an inch (the gages are classified in Imperial units by the manufacturer), angular position $\theta$, direction of measurement (T-transverse, C-circumferential), and position through the thickness (i-interface, m-midplane).
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| 031         | 67.5 Ti             | -29.25        | -28.38| -30.18| -29.30|
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| 015         | 67.5 Cm             | 44.58         | 44.54| 44.64| 44.59|
| 015         | 45 Cm               | 21.39         | 21.33| 21.40| 21.34|
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| 015         | 0 Tm                | 5.61          | 5.35| 4.84| 4.89|
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Appendix D: Listing of Computer Program and I/O Files for Chapter 4

The following pages contain the program and input files used in Chapter 4 for the method of weighted residuals solutions. The program is coded in Digital Vax Fortran v 4.0 language.
C METHOD OF WEIGHTED RESIDUALS PROGRAM

C

\*
\* implicit real*8 (a-h,o-z) \*
\*
integer n,iprint,intype,maxcal,ibound,1h,istate(100),lw(100),
+lw(1),ifai(2),mt(100),md(100),mn(100)
real*8 gx(801,3003),gy(3003,601),
+a(6,6),q(6,6),
+yy(100)
\*
\*
common/stuff/ z(3003),y(3003),THeta(100),ex(100,12),so(100),
+g3(19001),b(19001),wkarea(6),
+fz(100),g11,e22,e33,gl2,g13,gl3,v12,v13,v23,
+rt(100,3),RL(3,3),CMk(100,3),clm(100,3),cmm(100,3),
+R(19001),qb(6,6),
+c(100,6,6),FW(8),thick,width
\*
\*
common/int/ N2(2,12,11),N3(19001),n4(100),N5(100,3),N6(2,15),
+n5(100),nb(100),nf(100,2),np3l(10,100),n5j(100),
+np3,n4,n33,n4d,npl,nc,kn,nfz
\*
\*
COMMON e(1,2100),PK(2,4,3003),PM(2,4,3003),PL(2,4,3003),
+g1(1,3003),c11,c12,c13,c21,c22,c33,c66,c55,c44
\*
\*
open (unit=1, file='mwrin.dat', status='old')
open (unit=5, file='mwrout.dat', status='old')
open (unit=2, file='file2.dat', status='old')
open (unit=3, file='file3.dat', status='old')
o open (unit=6, file='mwr.dat', status='old')
\*
\*
c input data for housekeeping tasks from file mwr.dat
\*
read(5,90)((N2(K,I,J),J=1,11),I=1,12),K=1,2)
read(5,91)((N6(K,J),J=1,15),K=1,2)
read(5,92)((Q(i,j),i=1,6),j=1,6)
read(5,93)((CMK(i,j),j=1,3),i=1,5)
read(5,93)((CLM(i,j),j=1,3),i=1,5)
read(5,94)((-1(i,j),j=1,3),i=1,3)
read(5,93)((rt(i,j),j=1,3),i=1,5)
read(5,95)((lb(i),i=1,10)
read(5,96)((np3l(i,j),j=1,6),I=1,10)
read(5,97)((NFK(I,K),K=1,2)
+),I=1,10)
read(5,99)((ex(i,j),j=1,12),i=1,2)
\*
P=3.14159265358979323846D00
90 format(24/(i1:i3))
91 format(2/(i15:i3))
92 format(2/(i18f3.0))
93 format/(i15f3.0)
94 format(9f3.0)
95 format(10i3)
96 format(3(/8i3),/6i3)
97 format(10(/2i3))
99 format(2(/12f3.0))

C-------------------computational dimensions

NP3D=501
NFUNC=0
NP4D=801
N6D=2001
NP1D=100
NCD=300
NG=50000
NEQ=2100

NQ1=1
REWIND6
IF(NQ1.EQ.1)WRITE(6,604)((N2(K,I,J),J=1,11),I=1,12),K=1,2)
604 FORMAT(12(1I4,/)*)
*2(12(I1I4,/)*)
WRITE(6,606)(NB(I),I=1,10),((NF(I,K)
*,K=1,2),I=1,10),
*,((NP3L(I,J),J=1,2),I=1,10)
605 FORMAT('  NBOTTOM'/10I3//
*, ' NFUNION'/'10(/3I3,4X,3I3)//*
*, ' NP3L'/'10(/2I3//'*
*, ' NP3U'/'10(/2I3,4X,2I3,4X,2I3))

c ------- > Input problem data from mwrin.dat

REWIND1
read(1,*)
READ(1,*)NP1
do 992 i=1,10
do 992 j=np1
np3(i,j)=0
992 continue
read(1,*)NPTY
READ(1,*)NPTZz

READ(1,*)N5I(1)
n5x=n5i(1)

IF(NP1.GT.NP1D)GOTO 1004
IF(NP1*21.GT.NEQ)GOTO 1006
READ(1,*)
READ(1,*)(THETA(I),I=1,NP1)
READ(1,*)WIDTH
READ(1,*)SK
READ(1,*)THICK
READ(1,*)EXx
read(1,*)(es0(i),i=1,6)
READ(1,*)E11
READ(1,*)E22
READ(1,*)E33
READ(1,*) V12
READ(1,*) V23
READ(1,*) V13
READ(1,*) G12
READ(1,*) G23
READ(1,*) G13
READ(1,*) FWEIGHT
READ(1,*) NC
IF(NF(NC,1).EQ.2 .AND. NC.EQ.1 .AND. NSI(1)/2 +.HE.FLOAT(NSI(1))/2.)GOTO 1200
READ(1,*)
READ(1,*) (FW(I),I=1,8)
READ(1,*) MWSOLV
READ(1,*) N5J(1).N5J(2)
read(1,*) ffz
Read(1,*) eee

ex(1,1)=exx
RATW=WIDTH/THICK
RATW=THICK/WIDTH
nptz=nptzz*npl+1
ZN=THICK/(nptz-1.)
yy(1)=0

jj=2
67 yy(jj)=((jj-1.)/(nptzz/2.-1.))**sk*width
jj=jj+1
if(yy(jj-1).lt.width)goto 67
yy(jj-1)=width
npty=jj-1
printf",npty

WRITE(6,234) THETA(1),THETA(100),width,THICK,ex(1,1)
234 FORMAT("
+/' THETA(1)=' ,E12.5,' THETA(100)=' ,E12.5,
+/' W=' ,E12.5,' T=' ,E12.5,' EX=' ,E12.5)

C-------- EVALUATE STIFFNESS MATRIX IN PRINCIPAL COORDINATES

CALL STIFF

C--------> Get stiffness matrices for layers and calculate
roots of characteristic equations

kn=2
DO 412 J=1,npl
   IF(THETA(J).ne.0 .AND. theta(J).ne.90)KN=1
412 continue

DO 411 J=1,NP1
   CALL EDGE(J)
   IF(NQI.EQ.1)WRITE(6,45)((C(J,KK,LL),LL=1,6),KK=1,6)
45 FORMAT("/ C MATRIX //6(6E12.4/)")

IF(NSI(1).EQ.0)GOTO 411
CALL ROOTS(J)
411 CONTINUE

443 FORMAT(/' L IJ MATRIX'/3(3E12.5))
WRITE(6,444)((RTS(I,I),J=1,3),I=1,NP1)
444 FORMAT(/' ROOTS'/5(3E12.5))
WRITE(6,445)((CKM(I,I),J=1,3),I=1,NP1),
  +((CLM(I,I),J=1,3),I=1,NP1)
445 FORMAT(/' CKM AND CLM '/10(3E12.5))

DO 23 I=1,NP1
IF(NB(I,1)+N5(I,2)+N5(I,3)+NP3L(NC,I).GT.N5D)GOTO 1018
23 CONTINUE
WRITE(6,446)((N5(KK,LL),LL=1,3),KK=1,NP1)
446 FORMAT(/'

C--------> Get laminate strains and stiffness matrices

CALL FLEX(a,q)
IF(np31(nc,1).EQ.0)GOTO 454
DO 453 kk=2,12
DO 453 jj=1,np1
EX(jj,kk)=0.0
453 CONTINUE
EX(1,1)=EX
CONTINUE
SIGMAX0=EX(1,1)*E22

IF(MWRSOLV.EQ.2)GOTO 998
WRITE(6,47)EX(1,1),SIGMAX0
PRINT47,EX(1,1),SIGMAX0
47 FORMAT(' EX=',E12.5,' A(1,1)=',E12.5,' SIGMA X0=',E12.5)

C--------> Generate collocation points

WRITE(6,186)NPTY,NPTZ
186 FORMAT(/' NPTY=','I5','10X',' NPTZ=','I5'/)

C--------> Calculate total number of points: npts

N62=(NPTZ-NP1-1)/NP1
IF(NPTZ.EQ.0)N62=0
NPTS=(NP1+NB(NC))*NPTY+NPTZ-NP1-NB(NC)
IF(NPTZ.EQ.0)NPTS=NPTS+NP1+NB(NC)
WRITE(6,183)NPTS
183 FORMAT(/' NPTS=','I5'/)

C--------> Fill N4 Matrix

N4(1)=2*NPTY+N62
N99=N4(1)
IF(NP1.EQ.2)GOTO 43
DO 42 IJ=2,NP1
N4(IJ)=NPTY+N62
IF(IJ.NE.NP1)N99=N99+N4(IJ)
CONTINUE
CONTINUE
N4(NP1)=N62-1+NB(NC)*(NPTY-1)
N99=N99+N4(NP1)
PRINT789,NPTS,N99
6789 FORMAT( // ' NPTS=',I5,' N99=',I5)
IF(SK.GT.0)X0=WIDTH/((1+SK)**(NPTY-1)-1)/SK
ZHH=ZH
IF(NPTZ.EQ.0)XH=THICK/nmu
I6=1
Z1=THICK/(NB(NC)+1.)
DO 69 I=1,NP1+NB(NC)
   YI=0.
   YH=width/(npty-1)
   JJ=npty
   DO 68 J=1,NPTY-1
      IF(SK.1e.O)Y(J)=YI
      Y(I)=width-yy(JJ)
      JJ=JJ-1
   YI=YI+YH
   Z(I)=Z1
   I5=I5+1
CONTINUE
Z(I)=Z1
Y(I)=WIDTH
I5=I5+1
IF(N62.EQ.0)GOTO 79
DO 71 J=1,N62
   Z1=Z1-ZH
   Y(I)=WIDTH
   Z(I)=Z1
IF(I.EQ.NP1+NB(NC).AND.NB(NC).NE.0)GOTO 826
I5=I5+1
CONTINUE
CONTINUE
Z1=Z1-ZH
CONTINUE
Y(NPTS)=WIDTH
Z(NPTS)=0.
CONTINUE
CONTINUE
C-------- Fill N3 matrix-equations at a point

N3(1)=9
DO 70 I=2,NPTY-1
   N3(I)=2
CONTINUE
N3(NPTY)=5
MT(1)=n6(kn,9)+(npty-2)*n6(kn,2)*n6(kn,5)+
c

+ n6(kn,3)=n62

IF(NPTZ.EQ.0) N3(NPTY)=2
IS=NPty+1
IF(N62.EQ.0) GOTO 86
DO 74 I=1,N62
N3(IS)=3
IS=IS+1
74 CONTINUE

86 CONTINUE
DO 76 I=2,NP1
N3(IS)=11
IS=IS+1
DO 75 J=2,NPTY-1
N3(IS)=4
IS=IS+1
75 CONTINUE
N3(IS)=6
IF(NPTZ.EQ.0) N3(IS)=4
IS=IS+1

IF(N62.EQ.0) GOTO 87
DO 77 II=1,N62
N3(IS)=3
IS=IS+1
77 continue
md(1-1)=n6(kn,11)+(npty-2)*n6(kn,4)+n6(kn,6)
mt(1)=n6(kn,3)*n62

76 CONTINUE
87 CONTINUE
IF(NB(NC).EQ.0) THEN
mt(np1)=mt(np1)+n6(kn,10)
N3(NPTS)=10
ELSE
N3(IS)=9
mt(np1)=mt(np1)+n6(kn,9)+(npty-2)*n6(kn,2)+n6(kn,5)
IS=IS+1
DO 181 I=2,NPTY-1
N3(IS)=2
IS=IS+1
181 CONTINUE
N3(IS)=5
IF(NPTZ.EQ.0) N3(IS)=2
ENDIF
write(6,177)(mt(jj),jj=1,np1),(md(jj),jj=1,np1),
+(mn(jj),jj=1,np1)

C------ Evaluate the total number of equations: NP4

NP4=0
I89=1
DO 416 I87=1,NP1
DO 416 I88=1,N4(I87)
IF(N3(I89).EQ.0) GOTO 416
NP4=NP4+N6(kn,N3(I89))
I89=I89+1
416 CONTINUE

PRINT417,NP4
WRITE(6,417)NP4
WRITE(6,442)(N4(IJ),IJ=1,NP1)
442 FORMAT(/' N4 ARRAY----->',20(5I5/))
417 FORMAT(/' NP4=',I5/)

WRITE(6,188)
188 FORMAT(/' N3 ARRAY '/) WRITE(6,187)(N3(I),I=1,NPTS)
187 FORMAT(/24I5/) WRITE(6,190)
190 FORMAT(/' N6 ARRAY'/) WRITE(6,101)((N6(I,I),I=1,15),II=1,2)
101 FORMAT(15I5) WRITE(6,9999)
9999 FORMAT(/) WRITE(6,9999)

I2=1 DO 80 I=1,NPTS WRITE(6,81)I,II(I),Y(I),I2,N3(I),\(N2(KN,N3(I),J),J=1,N6(\+KN,N3(I)))
80 CONTINUE
81 FORMAT(I5,2E12.5,13I5)

NP3D=501 NP4D=801
123 continue ih0=0

do 602 kj=1,3 DO 602 KL=1,NP1
n5(kj,kj)=0
602 continue

if(kj.ge.kn)n5(KL,KJ)=N5I(1)

do 603 kj=1,3
n5(np1,kj)=n5i(1)/(2-nb(nc))
603 continue

C-------> Evaluate the total number of DOF: NP3

NP3=0
DO 41 I=1,NP1
mn(i)=0
40 CONTINUE
mn(i)=mn(i)+n5(i,j)
41 CONTINUE
if(mn(i)==2.gt.np3d)goto 2031
PRINT106,NP3
177  format(/' mt'/1015//'md'/1015//'mn'/1015)
     WRITE(6,186)NP3
185  FORMAT(/' NP3= ',I5/)
  c     IF(NP3.GT.NP3D)GOTO 1002
     IF(n5i(1).eq.0)goto 660

  c-------> Set initial frequency vector
         j=1
         RYZ=(PI/Thick/(2.-nb(nc))/ffz*np1)
         do 31 k=1,n5i(1)/nf(nc,1)
            fz(k)=k*ryz
   31    continue
         nfz=n5i(1)/nf(nc,1)
         n=nfz

  c-------> Get initial G matrix and r vector
       DO 904 I=1,NP3
          G3(I)=0.0
      904    CONTINUE
       DO 903 I=1,NP4
          R(I)=0.0
      903    CONTINUE
   660    continue

      call funct(iflag,n,mt,md,mn,gx,gy,xran,zh,yh)
      12    continue

  c-------> Minimize r2 with respect to the k vector
         do 991 i=1,np4
            b(i)=r(i)
    991    continue

      call givens(mt,md,mn,gx,gy)
         r2=0.0
         do 456 ii=np3+1,np4
            r2=r2+r(ii)**2
      456    continue
         r2=sqrt(r2,np4)
      print33,r2
      c     print33,sqrt(sig**2*(np4-ir)/np4),ir
  133    format(/// ' residual :',f10.5,  ' rank',i3)
         ffz=ffz+.1
         if(ih0.1e.0)goto 123
      WRITE(6,124)
      124    FORMAT(/' R VECTOR (OUTPUT)'/)
      WRITE(6,105)(B(KD),KD=1,NP3)
   105    FORMAT(E22.12)
   rewind3

      WRITE(3,*)B(I),I=1,NP3
      if(nfz.ne.0)write(3,*)(fz(i),i=1,nfz)
      write(3,*)(y(i),i=1,npt3)
      ijk=npty+(nptz-1)/2
WRITE(3,'*(z(i), i=nptv, jk),
*(z(i), i=1,jk*nptv, jk=nptv*(nptz-1)/2)
close (unit=3, status='save')

C------------> OUTPUT TO FILE TAPE 2 FOR POSTPROCESSING

REWIND2
WRITE(2,*)(NP1,NPTY,NPTZ,NP3,NP4,width,SK,THICK,
+(ex(i,j), i=1,npi), j=1,12)
+A(1,1),
+SIGMAXO,E11,E22,E33,V12,V13,23,G12,G13,G23,
+(THFTA(I),I=1,NP1),((C(I,J,K),K=+
+1,6),J=1,6),I=1,NP1),((B6(I,J),J=1,3),I=1,1,NP1),
+((RTS(I,J),J=1,3),I=1,NP1),
+((CMK(I,J),J=1,3),I=1,NP1),
+((CML(I,J),J=1,3),I=1,NP1),
+((CMK(I,J),J=1,3),I=1,NP1),
+KN,NFUNC,(NB(I),I=1,10),((NF(I,K),
+K=1,2),
+I=1,10),((NP3L(I,J),J=1,10),I=1,10),
+NC,MWRSOLV,(NSJ(I),I=1,2),nfz,j=1,npi),
+(a0(i),i=1,6),0,0,0,0,0
GOTO 997

998 CONTINUE

REWIND2
WRITE(2,*)(NP1,NPTY,NPTZ,NP3,NP4,width,SK,THICK,ex(1,1),
+A(1,1),
+SIGMAXO,E11,E22,E33,V12,V13,23,G12,G13,G23,
+(THETA(I),I=1,NP1),((C(I,J,K),K=+
+1,6),J=1,6),I=1,NP1),((B6(I,J),J=1,3),I=1,1,NP1),
+((RTS(I,J),J=1,3),I=1,NP1),
+((CMK(I,J),J=1,3),I=1,NP1),
+((CML(I,J),J=1,3),I=1,NP1),
+((CMK(I,J),J=1,3),I=1,NP1),
+KN,NFUNC,(NB(I),I=1,10),((NF(I,K),
+K=1,2),
+I=1,10),((NP3L(I,J),J=1,10),I=1,10),
+NC,MWRSOLV,(NSJ(I),I=1,2)
GOTO 997

997 CONTINUE

close (unit=2, status='save')

C--------> Error messages

GO TO 999
1000 FORMAT('ERROR NOT ENOUGH EQUATIONS!!!!!!!')
2000 CONTINUE
PRINT1000
WRITE(6,1000)
GOTO 999
1001 FORMAT('ERROR TOO MANY EQUATIONS!!!!!!')
1002 PRINT1003,NP3,NP4
WRITE(6,1003)(NP3,NP3)
1003 FORMAT('NP3 EXCEEDS DIMENSION NP3D1 NP3= ',I5,' NP3D=',I5)
GOTO 999
1200 WRITE(6,2200)
2200 FORMAT(' ERROR N5I(1) MUST BE EVEN!!!')
   GOTO 999
1004 PRINT1005, NP1,NP1D
      WRITE(6,1006)NP1,NP1D
1005 FORMAT('NP1=',I5,' EXCEEDS DIMENSION NP1D=',I5)
      GOTO 999
1006 PRINT1007, NP1*21,NEQ
      WRITE(6,1007)NP1*21,NEQ
1007 FORMAT(' NP1*21=',I5,' EXCEEDS DIMENSION NEQ=',I5)
      GOTO 999
1008 PRINT1009, N99,NCD
      WRITE(6,1009)N99,NCD
1009 FORMAT(' # COORDINATE POINTS=',I5,
      + ' EXCEEDS DIMENSION NCD=',I5)
      GOTO 999
1010 PRINT1011,MT(1)+2*MD(1),2*MN(1),NP3D,NP4D
      WRITE(6,1011)NP4,NP3,NP3D,NP4D
      GOTO 999
1012 PRINT1013, NPTZ
      WRITE(6,1013)NPTZ
1013 FORMAT(' ERROR-------NPTZ=',I5,' NPTZ MUST BE AN ODD #!!')
1011 FORMAT(' DIMENSIONS ARE TOO SMALL: NP4, NP3=',2I5,
      + ' NP3D, NP4D=',2I5)
      GOTO 999
1016 PRINT1017, NP4,NP4D
      WRITE(6,1017)NP4,NP4D
      GOTO 999
1020 PRINT2020, NP3,110
2020 FORMAT('/" ERROR I10=',I3,' GT NP3=',I3,'!!!!')
      GOTO 999
1018 PRINT1019
1019 FORMAT('/" ERROR N5 IS TOO BIG!!!!')
      GOTO 999
1017 FORMAT('/" ERROR! NP4=',I4,' > NP4D=',I4'/')
1021 WRITE(6,2021)NPTZ,N5I(KL)
2021 FORMAT('/" ERROR: ALIASING ERROR.....INCREASE NPTZ!!!',2I3)
      GOTO 999
2031 WRITE(6,1031)2*MN(1),NP3D
1031 FORMAT('/" ERROR: GY EXCEEDS DIMENSION 2*MN=',
      + 'I5, NP3D=',15//)
      CONTINUE
      stop
      end

c***************************************************************************
Subroutine funct(iflag,n,mt,md,mn,gx,gy,xran,zh,yh)
c***************************************************************************
 implicit real*8 (a-h,o-z)
 integer*4 iran
 real*8 gx(801,3003), gy(3003,501), xran(10)
 Integer md(100), mt(100), mn(100)
 common/stuff/ z(3003), y(3003), Theta(100), ex(100,12), s0(100),
 + G3(19001), b(19001), area(6),
 + r(100), e(22,23,21), g0, g15, g23, v12, v13, v23,
 + rts(100), R(3), CKm(100), clm(100), cmm(100),
 + R(19001), gb(6,5),
 + c(100), 0, fh(8), thc, width
 common/int/ n2(2,12,11), n3(19001), n4(100), N5(100), N6(2,15),
C---------- LOOP FOR # EQNS FOR CASE OF POINT I3

C---------- CALCULATE P MATRICES FOR POINT I3

I4=N3(I3)
rw1=1
if(width-y(i3).gt.4*thick/npl)rw1=thick/npl/
+width-4*thick/npl
c if(k.ne.1)rw1=1./(1+i2)

DO 2 J=1,11
  if(int(z(i3)/npl).eq.z(i3)/npl
+.and.y1.ne.width)then
    y1=y(i3)+(y(i3+1)-y(i3))/n6(kn,n3(i3))*(j-1)
  else
    Y1=Y(I3)
  endif
  IF(N3(I3).EQ.0) GOTO 4
  z1=z(i3)
  if(int(z(i3)/npl).ne.z(i3)/npl)Z1=z(i3)+zh*(2.*ran(iran)-1.)

  CALL TFUNC(K,Z1,Y1)
  IF(N1(KN14,J).EQ.0.AND.J.GT.N6(KN14))GOTO 4
  N11=N2(KN14,J)
  IF(N11.LT.9.OR.N11.GT.11)GOTO 668
  I10=I10+1
  c  N10(I10)=I1
568 CONTINUE
C-------> GET E VECTOR FOR POINT CASE
      N1=N2(KN,I4,J)
      CALL EQNS(K,N1,I1,RW,RW1,Z1)
102 FORMAT(4(9E8.2/))

C-------> GET G1 VECTOR FOR POINT CASE [G1]=[E][P]
      CALL MATMUL(K)
C-------> PUT G1 VECTOR INTO ROW OF G
      rt=0
      DO 12 kk=k0,k0+mn(k)+12*mn(k+1)-1
        rt=rt+g1(1,kk)**2
      12 continue
      rt=sqrt(rt)
      G2=0
      DO 3 K1=k0,k0+mn(k)+12*mn(k+1)-1
        if(i1.le.k1) then
          kly=k1-int((i1-.1)/mn(1))*mn(1)
          gy(i1,kly)=g1(1,k1)/rt
        else
          if(k1.gt.k0+mn(k)-1) then
            ilx=11-ilx-mt(k)-mdx
          else
            ilx=ilx-1
          endif
          if(ilx.gt.np4d) goto 2031
          if(ilx.lt.ilmax) ilmax=ilx
          if(ilx.lt.ilmin) ilmin=ilx
          gx(ilx,k1)=g1(1,k1)/rt
        endif
        G3(K1)=G3(K1)+G1(1,K1)
      IF(G1(1,K1).NE.0.) I6=I6+1
      G2=G2+ABS(G1(1,K1))
3 CONTINUE
      I7=I7+1
      IF(G2.EQ.0.) PRINT2002,11
      IF(G2.EQ.0.) WRITE(6,2002) I1
2002 FORMAT(' ROW #',I3,',' ' IS ALL ZEROES! ')
      r(i1)=r(i1)/rt
      I1=I1+1
      i0=i0+1
      DO 5 I=1,NP3
      CONTINUE
      print* print*,ilmin,ilmax
2 CONTINUE
      continue
      ixx=ixx+mt(k)+mdx
      k0=k0+mn(k)
1 CONTINUE
      print*
IF(G3(I).EQ.0.)PRINT 2003,I
IF(G3(I).EQ.0.)WRITE(6,2003)I
5 CONTINUE

2003 FORMAT(' COLUMN #',I5,' IS ALL ZEROES!!')

C--------> END OF [G] FORMULATION LOOP

IF(I1.LT.(NP4+1))PRINT1000
IF(I1.LT.(NP4+1))WRITE(6,1000)
IF(I1.GT.(NP4+1))PRINT1001
IF(I1.GT.(NP4+1))WRITE(6,1001)
66 continue

C-------------- ERROR MESSAGES
GOTO 9999
1000 FORMAT(' ERROR NOT ENOUGH EQUATIONS!!')
2000 CONTINUE
PRINT1000
WRITE(6,1000)
GOTO 999
1001 FORMAT(' ERROR TOO MANY EQUATIONS!!')
1002 PRINT1003,NP3,NP3D
WRITE(6,1003)NP3,NP3D
1003 FORMAT(' NP3 EXCEEDS DIMENSION NP3D! NP3=','I5,' NP3D=','I5)
GOTO 999
1200 WRITE(6,2200)
2200 FORMAT(' ERROR N6(I) MUST BE EVEN!!')
GOTO 999
1004 PRINT1005,NP1,NP1D
WRITE(6,1005)NP1,NP1D
1005 FORMAT(' NP1=','I5,' EXCEEDS DIMENSION NP1D=','I5)
GOTO 999
1006 PRINT1007,NP1*21,NEQ
WRITE(6,1007)NP1*21,NEQ
1007 FORMAT(' NP1*21=','I5,' EXCEEDS DIMENSION NEQ=','I5)
GOTO 999
1008 PRINT1009,N99,NCD
WRITE(6,1009)N99,NCD
1009 FORMAT(' # COORDINATE POINTS=','I5,
+ ' EXCEEDS DIMENSION NCD=','I5)
GOTO 999
1010 PRINT1011,NP4,NP3D,NP4D
WRITE(6,1011)NP4,NP3D,NP4D
GOTO 999
1012 PRINT1013,NPTZ
WRITE(6,1013)NPTZ
1013 FORMAT(' ERROR--NPTZ=','I5,' NPTZ MUST BE AN ODD #!/)
1011 FORMAT(' DIMENSIONS ARE TOO SMALL: NP4,NP3=','2I5,
+ ' NP3D,NP4D=','2I5)
GOTO 999
1016 PRINT1017,NP4,NP4D
WRITE(6,1017)NP4,NP4D
GOTO 999
1020 PRINT2020,NP3,I10
2020 FORMAT(' ERROR I10=','I3,' GT NP3=','I3,'!!')
GOTO 999
1018 PRINT1019
1019 FORMAT(/' ERROR N5 IS TOO BIG!!111'/)  
      GOTO 999  
1017 FORMAT(/' ERROR! NP4="I4," > NP4D="I4"/)  
1021 WRITE(6,2021)NP5I(KL)  
2021 FORMAT(/' ERROR: ALIASING ERROR....INCREASE NPTZ!!',2I3)  
      GOTO 999  
2031 write(6,1031)ix,np4d  
1031 FORMAT(/' ERROR: rows EXCEED DIMENSION FOR GX-  
           +1IX="I5," NP4D="I5")  
999 STOP  
9999 RETURN  
END  

C*********************************************************************  
SUBROUTINE EDGE(N)  
C*********************************************************************  
IMPLICIT real*8 (A-H,O-Z)  

common/stuff/ x(3003),y(3003),THeta(100),ex(100,12),So(100),  
+Gl(19001),b(19001),warea(6),  
+Fl(100),e1,e2,e3,g1,g2,g3,v12,v13,v23,  
+rts(100,3),RL(3,3),ckm(100,3),cld(100,3),cm(100,3),  
+R(19001),gb(6,6),  
+c(100,6,6),FW(8),thick,width  
COMMON e1(1,2100),PK(2,4,3003),PM(2,4,3003),PL(2,4,3003),  
+Gl(1,3003),cl1,cl2,cl3,cl4,cl5,cl6,cl7,cl8,cl9,cl10,  
+n(100),nb(100),nf(100,2),np3(10,100),n5j(100),  
+np3,np4,np3d,np4d,nc,Kn,nfz  
PI=3.14159265358979323846  
T=THETA(N)*PI/180.  
C4=cos(T)**4  
S4=sin(T)**4  
C2=cos(T)**2  
C1=cos(T)  
S1=sin(T)  
C3=cos(T)**3  
S3=sin(T)**3  

DO 10 I=1,6  
DO 10 J=1,6  
C(N,I,J)=0.0  
10 CONTINUE  

C(N,1,1)=C11*C4+C22*S4+2*(C12+2*C66)*C2*S2  
C(N,1,2)=C11+C22-4*C66)*S2*C2-C12=(S4+C4)  
C(N,1,3)=C2*C13+C23*S2  
C(N,1,6)=(C11-C12-2*C66)*S1*C3+(C12-C22+2*C66)*S3*C1  
C(N,2,2)=C11*S4+C22*C4+2*(C12+2*C66)*S2*C2  
C(N,2,3)=C23*C2-C13*S2  
C(N,2,6)=(C11-C12-2*C66)*S3*C1+(C12-C22+2*C66)*S1*C3  
C(N,3,3)=C33  
C(N,3,6)=(C13-C23)*C1*S1  
C(N,4,4)=C44+C2*C55+S2  
C(N,4,5)=C44+C1*S1+C55*S1*C1  
C(N,5,5)=C44+S2*C55*C2
C(N,6,6)=C11=S2=C2+C22=C2S2-2=C12=S2+C66*(C4-2=S2=C2+S4)
IF(THETA(N).EQ.90.)THEN
   C(N,1,1)=C(N,3,3)
   C(N,1,2)=C(N,2,3)
   C(N,4,4)=C(N,6,6)
   C(N,1,6)=0.
   C(N,2,6)=0.
   C(N,3,6)=0.
   C(N,4,5)=0.
ELSE
   IF(THETA(N).NE.0)GOTO 22
   C(N,2,2)=C(N,3,3)
   C(N,1,2)=C(N,1,3)
   C(N,5,5)=C(N,6,6)
   C(N,1,6)=0.
   C(N,2,6)=0.
   C(N,3,6)=0.
   C(N,4,5)=0.
22 CONTINUE
ENDIF
C TRANSPOSE FOR SYMMETRY
DO 1 I=2,6
   DO 1 J=1,I-1
      C(N,I,J)=C(N,J,I)
   1 CONTINUE
RETURN
END

C***********************************************************************************************
SUBROUTINE EQNS(K,N1,N,RW,RW1,z1)
C***********************************************************************************************
IMPLICIT REAL*8 (A-H.O-Z)

COMMON/stuff/ z(3003), y(3003), THeta(100), ex(100,12), SQ(100),
      +g3(19001), b(19001), wkarea(6),
      +fx(100), e11, e22, e33, g12, g13, g23, v12, v13, v23,
      +rts(100,3), RL(3,3), CKm(10N,3), clm(100,3), cmm(100,3),
      +R(19001), qb(6,6),
      +c(100,6,6), FW(8), thick, width
COMMON e(1,2100), PK(2,4,3003), PM(2,4,3003), PL(2,4,3003),
      +Gl(1,3003), c11, c12, c13, c23, c22, c33, c66, c56, c44,
      +common/ int/ N2(2,12,11), N3(19001), n4(100), N5(100,3), N6(2,15),
      +n5I(100), nb(100), nrf(100,2), np31(10,100), n5j(100),
      +np3, np4, np3d, np4d, np1, nc, kn, nff

  nN2=(K-1)*21
  RW=1.

  DO 22 I=1,NP1*21
     E(I,1)=0.0
   22 CONTINUE
   GOTO(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16)N1
C GOVERNING EQN #1
   1 E(1,nn2+5)=C(K,5,5)
   E(1,nn2+12)=C(K,4,5)
E(1,nn2+6)=C(K,6,6)
E(1,nn2+13)=C(K,2,6)
E(1,nn2+21)=C(K,3,6)+C(K,4,5)
GOTO 999
C GOVERNING EQN #2
2  E(1,nn2+5)=C(K,4,5)
E(1,nn2+12)=C(K,4,4)
E(1,nn2+6)=C(K,2,6)
E(1,nn2+13)=C(K,2,2)
E(1,nn2+21)=C(K,2,3)+C(K,4,4)
GOTO 999
C GOVERNING EQN #3
3  E(1,nn2+19)=C(K,3,3)
E(1,nn2+20)=C(K,4,4)
E(1,nn2+7)=C(K,3,6)+C(K,4,5)
E(1,nn2+14)=C(K,2,3)+C(K,4,4)
GOTO 999
C BC #1 SIGMA Z=0
4  E(1,nn2+3)=c(k,3,6)
E(1,nn2+8)=C(K,3,6)
E(1,nn2+10)=C(K,2,3)
E(1,nn2+18)=C(K,3,3)
E(1,nn2+1)=C(K,1,3)
CALL EMULT(K,3,RX,Z1)
R(N)=-RX
RW=FW(5)
GOTO 999
C BC #2 TAU XZ=0
5  E(1,nn2+11)=C(K,4,5)
E(1,nn2+17)=C(K,4,5)
E(1,nn2+4)=c(k,5,5)
E(1,nn2+15)=C(K,5,5)
RW=FW(7)
GOTO 999
C BC #3 TAU YZ=0
6  E(1,nn2+11)=c(k,4,4)
E(1,nn2+17)=C(K,4,4)
RW=FW(8)
E(1,nn2+4)=c(k,4,5)
E(1,nn2+15)=C(K,4,5)
GOTO 999
C BC #4 SIGMA Y=0
7  CALL EMULT(K,2,RX,Z1)
R(N)=-Rx
E(1,nn2+1)=C(K,1,2)
RW=FW(4)
E(1,nn2+3)=c(k,2,6)
E(1,nn2+8)=C(K,2,6)
E(1,nn2+10)=C(K,2,2)
E(1,nn2+18)=C(K,2,3)
GOTO 999
C BC #5 TAU YX=0
8  CALL EMULT(K,6,RX,Z1)
R(N)=-RX
E(1,nn2+1)=C(K,1,6)
RW=FW(6)
E(1,nn2+3)=c(k,6,6)
E(1,nn2+8)=C(K,6,6)
E(1,nn2+10)=C(K,2,6)
E(1.nn2×18)=C(K,3,6)
GOTO 999

C BC#6 (U+)-(U-)=0
9 E(1.nn2+2)=1.0
RW=FW(1)
E(1.nn2+21+2)=-1.0
GOTO 999

C BC#7 (V+)-(V-)=0
10 E(1.nn2+3)=1.0
RW=FW(2)
E(1.nn2+9+21)=-1.0
GOTO 999

C BC#8 (W+)-(W-)=0
11 E(1.nn2+16)=1.0
RW=FW(3)
E(1.nn2+16+21)=-1.0
GOTO 999

C BC #9 (SIGMA Z+)-(SIGMA Z-)=0
12 E(1.nn2+3)=c(K,3,6)
E(1.nn2+8)=C(K,3,6)
E(1.nn2+1)=C(K,1,3)
RW=FW(6)
E(1.nn2+10)=C(K,2,3)
E(1.nn2+18)=C(K,1,3)
CALL EMULT(K,3,RX,Z1)
E(1.nn2+18)=C(K,3,3)
R(N)=RX=1.0D00
E(1.nn2+3+21)=-c(k+1,3,6)
E(1.nn2+8+21)=-C(K+1,3,6)
E(1.nn2+1+21)=-C(K+1,1,3)
E(1.nn2+10+21)=-C(K+1,2,3)
E(1.nn2+18+21)=-C(K+1,3,3)
CALL EMULT(K+1,3,RX,Z1)
R(N)=R(N)+RX=1.0D00
GOTO 999

C BC #10 (TAU XZ+)-(TAU XZ-)=0
13 E(1.nn2+11)=c(k,4,5)
E(1.nn2+17)=C(K,4,5)
RW=FW(7)
E(1.nn2+4)=c(k,5,5)
E(1.nn2+16)=C(K,5,5)
E(1.nn2+4+21)=-c(k+1,5,5)
E(1.nn2+15+21)=-C(K+1,5,5)
E(1.nn2+11+21)=-c(k+1,4,5)
E(1.nn2+17+21)=-C(K+1,4,5)
GOTO 999

C BC# 11 (TAU YZ+)-(TAU YZ-)=0
14 E(1.nn2+11)=c(k,4,4)
E(1.nn2+17)=C(K,4,4)
RW=FW(8)
E(1.nn2+4)=c(k,4,5)
E(1.nn2+16)=C(K,4,5)
E(1.nn2+4+21)=-c(k+1,4,5)
E(1.nn2+15+21)=-C(K+1,4,5)
E(1.nn2+11+21)=-c(k+1,4,4)
E(1.nn2+17+21)=-C(K+1,4,4)
GOTO 999

C BC #12 (SIGMA Y+)-(SIGMA Y-)=0
15 CALL EMULT(K,2,RX,Z1)
R(N)=-RX*1.0D00
E(1,mn2+1)=C(K,1,2)
RN=FM(4)
E(1,mn2+3)=c(k,2,6)
E(1,mn2+8)=C(K,2,6)
E(1,mn2+10)=C(K,2,2)
E(1,mn2+18)=C(K,2,3)
E(1,mn2+3+21)=-c(k+1,2,6)
E(1,mn2+8+21)=-C(K+1,2,6)
E(1,mn2+10+21)=-C(K+1,2,2)
E(1,mn2+1+21)=-C(K+1,1,2)
E(1,mn2+18+21)=-C(K+1,2,3)
CALL EMULT(K+1,2,RX,Z1)
R(N)=R(N)+RX*1.0D00
GOTO 999

C BC #13 (TAU YX+)-(TAU YX-)=0

16 CALL EMULT(K,6,RX,Z1)
R(N)=-RX*1.0D00
E(1,mn2+1)=C(K,1,6)
RN=FM(6)
E(1,mn2+3)=c(k,6,6)
E(1,mn2+8)=C(K,6,6)
E(1,mn2+10)=C(K,6,2)
E(1,mn2+18)=C(K,6,3)
E(1,mn2+3+21)=-c(k+1,6,6)
E(1,mn2+8+21)=-C(K+1,6,6)
E(1,mn2+10+21)=-C(K+1,6,2)
E(1,mn2+18+21)=-C(K+1,6,3)
CALL EMULT(K+1,6,RX,Z1)
R(N)=R(N)+RX*1.0D00
E(1,mn2+1+21)=-C(K+1,1,6)
GOTO 999

999 CONTINUE
DO 100 I=1,NP1*21
E(1,I)=RW*E(1,I)=RW1

100 CONTINUE
R(N)=RW*R(N)=RW1
RETURN
END

C*******************************************************************************
SUBROUTINE TFUNC(K,Z1,Y1)
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IMPLICIT real*8 (A-H,O-Z)

common/stuff/ z(3003),y(3003),THeta(100),ex(100,12),SO(100),
+G3(19001),b(19001),wkarea(6),
+fz(100),e11,e22,e33,g12,g13,g23,v12,v13,v23,
+rts(100,3),RL(3,3),CKm(100,3),cml(100,3),cm(100,3),
+R(19001),qb(6,6),
+c(100,6,6),FM(8),thick,width

COMMON e(1,2100),PK(2,4,3003),PM(2,4,3003),PL(2,4,3003),

common/int/ n2(2,12,11),n3(19001),n4(100),n5(100,3),n6(2,15),
+n6(100),nb(100),nf(100,2),np31(10,100),n6j(100),
+np3.np4.np3d.np4d.np1.nc.kn,nfz

PI=3.14159265358979323846200
yy=Y1
zz=Z1

C INITIALIZE P MATRICES

DO 66 I=1,2
DO 66 J=1,4
DO 66 J1=1,MP3
PK(I,J,J1)=0.
PL(I,J,J1)=0.
PM(I,J,J1)=0.
66 CONTINUE

K1=1
DO 19 KK=K,K+1

C--------------- LINEAR TERMS

iu=0.
v1=0.
w1=0.
i1=1
in2=0
i3=1
i2=1
i4=1
DO 27 L=kn,3
in2=0
IF(N5(KK,L).EQ.0)GOTO 27
NNX=N5(KK,L)
kk=1
IF(kk.eq.np1)kkk=2
IF(NF(NC,Kkk).EQ.2)NNX=NNX/2

DO 1 I=1,NNX
in2=in2+1
cz=fz(in2)
cy=(SQRT(abs(RTS(KK,L)))*cz)
IF(NF(NC,Kkk).EQ.1.and.nc.ne.4)GOTO 31

A=exp(-I2*CY*(yy+width))
bB=exp(I2*CY*(yy-width))
SNH=Bb-A
SN=sin(I2*CY*zz)
CSh=bB+A
CS=cos(I2*zz*CY)

C- U
PK(K1,2,I1+IU)=-SN*SNH*(CKM(KK,L))

CU,Y
PK(K1,3,I1+IU)=-I2*CY*SN*CSH*
+(CKM(KK,L))

CU,Z
PK(K1,4,I1+IU)=-I2*CZ*CS*SNH
+(CKM(KK,L))

CV
PL(K1,2,I1+IV)=-SN*SNH*(CLM(KK,L))

CV,Y
PL(K1,3,I1+IV)=-I2*CY*SN*CSH*
+(CLM(KK,L))

CV,Z
PL(K1,4,I1+IV)=-I2*CZ*CS*SNH
+(CLM(KK,L))

CW
PM(K1,2,I1+IW)=
+CS*CSH*cmm(kk,1)

CW,Y
PM(K1,3,I1+IW)=I2*CY*CS*SNH*cmm(kk,1)

CW,Z
PM(K1,4,I1+IW)=-I2*CZ*SN*CSH*cmm(kk,1)

I1=I1+1

IF(NF(NC,KKk).EQ.2)GOTO 31
GOTO 1

31 CONTINUE
CZ=fz(in2)
CY=(SQRT(abs(RTS(KK,L)))*CZ)
A=exp(-I3*CY*(yy+width))
Bb=exp(I3*CY*(yy-width))
SNH=Bb-A
SN=sin(I3*CZ*zz)
CSH=bB+A
SN=sin(CZ*zz=I3)
CS=cos(I3*CZ*zz)

CU
\[ PK(K1,2,I1+IU) = CS*SNH*(CKM(KK,L)) \]
\[ C U, Y \]
\[ PK(K1,3,I1+IU) = I3*CY*CS*CSH* + (CKM(KK,L)) \]
\[ C U, Z \]
\[ PK(K1,4,I1+IU) = -I3*CZ*SN*SNH*(CKM(KK,L)) \]
\[ C V \]
\[ PL(K1,2,I1+IV) = CS*SNH*(CLM(KK,L)) \]
\[ C V, Y \]
\[ PL(K1,3,I1+IV) = I3*CY*CS*CSH* + (CLM(KK,L)) \]
\[ C V, Z \]
\[ PL(K1,4,I1+IV) = -I3*CZ*SN*SNH*(CLM(KK,L)) \]
\[ C W \]
\[ PM(K1,2,I1+IW) = +SN*CSH*cmm(kk,1) \]
\[ C W, Y \]
\[ PM(K1,3,I1+IW) = I3*CY*SN*SNH*cmm(kk,1) \]
\[ C W, Z \]
\[ PM(K1,4,I1+IW) = I3*CZ*CS*CSH*cmm(kk,1) \]
\[ I1=I1+1 \]
\[ I3=I3+1 \]
\[ 1 \]
\[ CONTINUE \]
\[ 27 \]
\[ CONTINUE \]
\[ IF(KK.EQ.NP1) GOTO 999 \]
\[ K1=2 \]
\[ 19 \]
\[ CONTINUE \]
\[ 999 \]
\[ CONTINUE \]
\[ RETURN \]
\[ END \]

**SUBROUTINE STIFF**

**IMPLICIT REAL*8 (A-H,O-Z)**

**COMMON e(1,2100), PK(2,4,3003), PM(2,4,3003), PL(2,4,3003),**
\[ *g1(1,3003), c11, c12, c13, c23, c22, c33, c66, c55, c44 \]
\[ common/int/ M2(2,12,11), N3(19001), n4(100), N5(100,3), N6(2,15). \]
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\[ n5i(100), nb(100), nf(100, 2), np31(10, 100), n5j(100), \\
  np3, np4, np3d, np4d, np1, nc, kn, nfz \]

\[ \text{common/stuff/} \ z(3003), y(3003), \theta(100), ex(100, 12), so(100), \\
  +g3(19001), b(19001), wkarea(6), \\
  +fx(100), e11, e22, e33, g12, g13, g23, v12, v13, v23, \\
  +rts(100, 3), rl(3, 3), ckm(100, 3), clm(100, 3), cmm(100, 3), \\
  +R(19001), q6(6, 6), \\
  +c(100, 6, 6), \text{FW}(8), \text{thick}, \text{width} \]

\[ V32=V23*E33/E22 \]
\[ V31=V13*E33/E11 \]
\[ V21=V12*E22/E11 \]
\[ \text{DET}=1-V12*V21-V31-V32*V31-V32*V31*V12*V23 \]
\[ C11=E11*(1-V32*V23)/\text{DET} \]
\[ C12=E22*(V12+V13*V32)/\text{DET} \]
\[ C13=33*(V13-V12*V23)/\text{DET} \]
\[ C22=E22*(1-V31*V13)/\text{DET} \]
\[ C23=E22*(V32+V31*V12)/\text{DET} \]
\[ C33=33*(1-V21*V12)/\text{DET} \]

\[ C44=G23 \]
\[ C55=G13 \]
\[ C66=G12 \]

\[ \text{WRITE}(6,1)C11,C12,C13,C22,C23,C44,C65,C66 \]

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\[ \text{FORMAT(} {'} C11=','E12.5, ' C12=','E12.5, ' C13=','E12.5 /} \\
  + ' C22=','E12.5, ' C23=','E12.5, ' C44=','E12.5, \\
  +' C55=','E12.5, ' C66=','E12.5) \]

\[ \text{RETURN} \]
\[ \text{END} \]

\text{C*******************************************************************************C}

\text{SUBROUTINE FLEX(q,a) }$

\text{*******************************************************************************C}

\text{CALCULATE THE GROSS LAMINATE FLEXIBILITY MATRIX }$

\text{*******************************************************************************C}

\text{IMPLICIT real*8 (A-H,O-Z) }$

\text{real*8 q(6,6), a(6,6), qq(3,3) }$

\text{common/stuff/} \ z(3003), y(3003), \theta(100), ex(100, 12), so(100), \\
  +g3(19001), b(19001), wkarea(6), \\
  +fx(100), e11, e22, e33, g12, g13, g23, v12, v13, v23, \\
  +rts(100, 3), rl(3, 3), ckm(100, 3), clm(100, 3), cmm(100, 3), \\
  +R(19001), q6(6, 6), \\
  +c(100, 6, 6), \text{FW}(8), \text{thick}, \text{width} \]

\text{common/int/} \ n2(2,12,11), n3(19001), n4(100), n5(100, 3), n6(2,15), \\
  +n5i(100), nb(100), nf(100, 2), np31(10, 100), n5j(100), \\
  +np3, np4, np3d, np4d, np1, nc, kn, nfz \]

\text{COMMON e(1,2100), pk(2,4,3003), pm(2,4,3003), pl(2,4,3003),} \\
\text{+g1(1,3003), c11,c12,c13,c23,c22,c33,c66,c55,c44} \]

\[ \text{DO 48 i=1,3} \]
\[ \text{DO 48 j=1,3} \]
\[ QQ(I,J)=0. \]
CONTINUE
VZI=E22*V12/E11

Q11=E11/(1-V21*V12)
Q22=E22/(1-V21*V12)
Q12=V21*E11/(1-V21*V12)
Q66=Q12
H=Thick/NP1
PI=asin(1.)+2
DO 1 L=1,NP1
I=NP1-L+1
CS=cos(THETA(L)*PI/180.)
SN=sin(THETA(L)*PI/180.)
QQ(1,1)=Q11*CS**4+2*(Q12+2*Q66)*SN**2*CS**2+Q22*SN**4
QQ(2,2)=Q11*SN**4+2*(Q12+2*Q66)*SN**2*CS**2+Q22*CS**4
q1=(Q11+Q22-4*Q66)*SN**2*CS**2+Q12*(SN**4+CS**4)
QQ(2,1)=q1
QQ(1,2)=q1

QQ(3,3)=(Q11+Q22-2*Q12-2*Q66)*SN**2*CS**2+Q66*(SN**4+CS**4)
q1=(Q11-Q12-2*Q66)*SN*CS**3+(Q12-Q22+2*Q66)
+SN**3*CS
QQ(1,3)=q1
QQ(3,1)=q1
q1=(Q11-Q12-2*Q66)*SN*CS**3+(Q12-Q22+2*Q66)*SN*CS**3
QQ(3,2)=q1
QQ(2,3)=q1

DO 1 J=1,6
DO 1 K=1,6
IF(K.GT.3)THEN
K1=K-3
ELSE
K1=K
ENDIF
IF(J.GT.3)THEN
J1=J-3
ELSE
J1=J
ENDIF
IF(J.LT.4)THEN
IF(K.LT.4)THEN
Q(J,K)=Q(J,K)+QQ(J1,K1)*H**(2-NB(NC))
ELSE
Q(J,K)=Q(J,K)+QQ(J1,K1)*((I-np1/2*NA**2/NC)**2-
*(I-1-np1/2*NB(NC))**2)**2
+H**2/2
Q(J,K)=Q(J,K)*(NB(NC))
ENDIF
ELSE
IF(K.LT.4)THEN
Q(J,K)=Q(J,K)+QQ(J1,K1)*((I-np1/2*NB(NC))**2-
*(I-1-np1/2*NB(NC))**2)**2*H**2/2
Q(J,K)=Q(J,K)*(NB(NC))
ELSE
Q(J,K)=Q(J,K)+QQ(J1,K1)**2-(2-NB(NC))**2
+((I-np1/2*NB(NC))**3-(I-1-np1/2*NB(NC))**3)*H**3/3.
ENDIF
ENDIF

END
CONTINUE
IFAIL=0
WRITE(6,122)(((q(i,kk),kk=1,6),i=1,6)
format(//6//6E12.5))
CALL FOIAAF(Q,6,6,A,6,WKAREA,FAIL)
print*,FAIL
WRITE(6,122)(((a(i,kk),kk=1,6),i=1,6)
DO 5 I=1,6
if(NP31(NC,1).NE.0)goto 4
DO 5 K=1,NP1
EX(K,I)=0.
5 CONTINUE
DO 5 J=1,6
EX(K,I)=EX(K,I)+A(I,J)*S0(J)
5 CONTINUE
DO 12 I=1,NP1
EX(I,12)=EX(I,6)
EX(I,7)=EX(I,4)
EX(I,8)=EX(I,5)
EX(I,6)=EX(I,3)
EX(I,3)=0.
EX(I,4)=0.
EX(I,5)=0.
EX(I,9)=0.
EX(I,10)=0.
EX(I,11)=0.
12 CONTINUE
DO 10 I=1,NP1
EX(I,3)=(-C(I,1,3)*EX(I,1)+C(I,2,3)*
+EX(I,12)*C(I,3,6)/C(I,1,3))
EX(I,9)=(-C(I,1,3)*EX(I,7)+C(I,2,3)*EX(I,8)+C(I,3,6)
+EX(I,12))/C(I,1,3)
10 CONTINUE
print*,((EX(I,J),J=1,12),I=1,NP1)
WRITE(6,*)((EX(I,J),J=1,12),I=1,NP1)
RETURN
END

C*******************************************************************************C
SUBROUTINE ROOTS(K)
C*******************************************************************************C
C
IMPLICIT REAL*8 (A-H,O-Z)

COMMON/Stuff/Z(3003),Y(3003),THETA(100),EX(100,12),S0(100),
+G3(19001),B(19001),WKAREA(6),
+FZ(100),E1,E22,E33,G12,G13,G23,V12,V13,V23,
+RTS(100,3),RL(3,3),C0M(100,3),C1M(100,3),CMM(100,3),
+R(19001),QB(6,6),
+C(100,6,6),FW(8),THICK,WIDTH

COMMON E(1,2100),PK(2,3),PM(2,3),PL(2,3),
+G1(1,3003),C12,C13,C23,C22,C33,C66,C56,C44

COMMON/Int/N2(2,12,11),N3(19901),N4(100),N5(100,3),N6(2.15),
+N1(100),NB(100),NF(100,2),NP31(10,100),NP3(J100),
+NP3,NP4,NP3D,NP4D,NP1,NC,KN,NFZ
AA = C(K, 4, 4)*C(4, 6)*C(K, 2, 2) + C(K, 4, 4)*C(K, 2, 6)**2.

BB = C(K, 6, 6)*C(K, 2, 2)*C(K, 3, 3) + C(K, 4, 4)**2.C(K, 6, 6) + C(K, 4, 4)*C(K, 5, 5)*C(K, 2, 2) + 2*C(K, 2, 6)*C(K, 3, 6)*C(K, 4, 5))**2 - C(K, 6, 6)*C(K, 2, 3)*C(K, 4, 4)**2 - C(K, 2, 3)*C(K, 3, 6)*C(K, 4, 5)**2 - C(K, 3, 3)*C(K, 2, 6)**2.

IF(AA.EQ.0) GOTO 999

CC = C(K, 6, 6)*C(K, 3, 3)*C(K, 4, 4) + C(K, 2, 2)*C(K, 3, 3)*C(K, 5, 5) + C(K, 4, 4)**2*C(K, 5, 5) + 2*C(K, 4, 5)*C(K, 3, 6)*C(K, 4, 5))**2 - C(K, 6, 6)*C(K, 2, 3)*C(K, 4, 4)**2 - C(K, 2, 4)*C(K, 3, 6)*C(K, 4, 5)**2 - C(K, 4, 4)*C(K, 5, 5)**2.

WRITE(6, 100) AA, BB, CC, DD

100 FORMAT(//' CHARACTERISTIC COEFFICIENTS ARE: ',/4E12.5/)

PRINT 100, AA, BB, CC, DD, 1., BB/AA, CC/AA, DD/AA

IF(THETA(K).NE.0.AND.THETA(K).NE.90) THEN
    cmn(k, 1) = 1.0
    cmn(k, 2) = 1.0
    cmn(k, 3) = 1.0

C --------- SEARCH FOR THE FIRST REAL ROOT

X = 0. D 00
DX = 1. D 7
LL = 1

400 CONTINUE

FX = (CC + X*(BB + AA + X))

IF(abs(FX).GT.1E-15) OR abs(DX).GT.1E-15) GOTO 404

GOTO 826

404 CONTINUE

IF(abs(FX).EQ.0.0) GOTO 826

FPX = CC + X*(2.*BB + X**2.*AA)
FPPX = BB**2 + 6.*AA + X
DX = (FX*FPX)/(FPPX**2 - FX*FPPX)

X = X - DX

LL = LL + 1

IF(LL.EQ.1000) PRINT 607

IF(LL.EQ.1000) WRITE(6, 607)

GOTO 400

826 CONTINUE

607 FORMAT(1' ROOT FINDER HAS PASSED 1000 ITERATIONS!!'/)

PRINT 606, FX, DX

WRITE(6, 606) FX, DX

606 FORMAT(1' FX, DX=-/2D12.5/)

RTS(K, 1) = X
CALL CHECK(K,1,R1,AA,BB,CC,DD)

C----------> FIND OTHER TWO (POSSIBLY IMAGINARY!)

C----------> REDUCE BY SYNTHETIC DIVISION

C2=BB+Xx=AA
C3=CC+Xx=C2
C4=DD+Xx=C3
XR=C2/2./AA
XM=C2=-2.-4.*AA=C3
IF(XM.LT.0.)PRINT8801
IF(XM.LT.0.)WRITE(6,8801)
PRINT*,XR,XM
WRITE(6,*)XR,XM

8801  FORMAT('ERROR ON IMAGINARY ROOT!'/)
RTS(K,2)=XR-sqrt(XM)/2./AA
RTS(K,3)=XR-sqrt(XM)/2./AA
CALL CHECK(K,1,R1,AA,BB,CC,DD)
CALL CHECK(K,2,R2,AA,BB,CC,DD)
CALL CHECK(K,3,R3,AA,BB,CC,DD)

C PRINTR,R1,R2,R3
WRITE(6,80)R1,R2,R3
80  FORMAT(/'RESIDUALS'/,3E22.14)

C-----------> SOLVE FOR EIGENVECTORS

CALL EIGEN(K,1)

WRITE(6,333)CLM(K,1),CKM(K,1),RTS(K,1)

333  FORMAT(/'CLM=',E12.5,':CKM=',E12.5,':RTS=',E12.5)
CALL EIGEN(K,2)

WRITE(6,333)CLM(K,2),CKM(K,2),RTS(K,2)
CALL EIGEN(K,3)

WRITE(6,333)CLM(K,3),CKM(K,3),RTS(K,3)
ELSE

cm(k,2)=1.0
cm(k,3)=1.0
if(kn.eq.1)then
clm(k,1)=0.0
cmm(k,1)=0.0
ckm(k,1)=1.0
else
clm(k,1)=0.0

endif
RTS(K,1)=-C(K,5,5)/C(K,6,6)*1.0D00
CKM(K,2)=0.0
CKM(K,3)=0.0
clm(k,1)=0.0
WRITE(6,333)CLM(K,1),CKM(K,1),RTS(K,1)
AA=K(2,2)C(K,4,4)
BB=(-C(K,2,3)+C(K,4,4))/2+(C(K,2,3)+C(K,4,4))/2
CC=C(K,3,3)*C(K,4,4)
XH=SQRT(BB**2-4*AA*CC)
XL=BB/2/AA
RTS(K,2)=XL*XH/2/AA
RTS(K,3)=XL-XH/2/AA
IF(RTS(K,2).EQ.RTS(K,3))N5(K,2)=0
CLM(K,2)=(C(K,2,3)+C(K,4,4))/2*SQRT(ABS(RTS(K,2)))/
+(C(K,2,2)+RTS(K,2)+C(K,4,4))
CLM(K,3)=(C(K,2,3)+C(K,4,4))/2*SQRT(ABS(RTS(K,3)))/
+(C(K,2,2)+RTS(K,3)+C(K,4,4))
WRITE(6,333)CLM(K,2),CKM(K,2),RTS(K,2)
WRITE(6,333)CLM(K,3),CKM(K,3),RTS(K,3)
CALL EIGCHK(1)
CALL EIGCHK(2)
CALL EIGCHK(3)
ENDIF
999 RETURN
END

******************************************************************************
SUBROUTINE CHECK(N,M,RR,AA,BB,CC,DD)
******************************************************************************
IMPLICIT REAL*(8) (A-H,O-Z)

COMMON/STUFF/(Z(3003),Y(3003),THETA(100),EX(100,12),SO(100),
+G3(19001),B(19001),WKAREA(6),
+FZ(100),E11,E22,E33,G12,G13,G23,V12,V13,V23,
+RTS(100,3),RL(3,3),CKM(100,3),C1M(100,3),CM(100,3),
+R(19001),GB(6,6),
+C(100,6,6),FM(8),THICK,WIDTH

COMMON/INT/(N2(2,12,11),N3(19001),N4(100),N5(100,3),N6(2,15),
+N5I(100),NB(100),NF(10,100),NP3I(10,100),N8J(100),
+NP3,NP4,NP3D,NP4D,NP1,NC,KN,NFZ

XX=RTS(N,M)
RR-DD*XX=(CC+XX*(BB+XX*AA))
RETURN
END

******************************************************************************
SUBROUTINE EIGEN(N,M)
******************************************************************************
IMPLICIT REAL*(8) (A-H,O-Z)

COMMON/STUFF/(Z(3003),Y(3003),THETA(100),EX(100,12),SO(100),
+G3(19001),B(19001),WKAREA(6),
+FZ(100),E11,E22,E33,G12,G13,G23,V12,V13,V23,
+RTS(100,3),RL(3,3),CKM(100,3),C1M(100,3),CM(100,3),
+R(19001),GB(6,6),
+C(100,6,6),FM(8),THICK,WIDTH

COMMON E(1,2100),PK(2,4,3003),PM(2,4,3003),PL(2,4,3003),
+G1(1,3003),C11,C12,C13,C23,C22,C33,C66,C55,C44
COMMON/int/ N2(2,12,11),N3(19001),n4(100),N5(100,3),N6(2,15),
+n5j(100),nb(100),nf(100,2),np3(10,100),n5j(100),
+np3, np4, np3d, npd4, np1, nc, kn, nfz

xX=RTS(N,M)
ri=-(C(N,6,6)*xX+C(N,5,5))
RL(1,1)=ri
ri=-(C(N,2,6)*xX+C(N,4,5))
RL(1,2)=ri

RL(2,1)=ri
ri=(C(N,3,6)+C(N,4,5))
RL(1,3)=ri
RL(3,1)=ri
RL(2,2)=-(C(N,2,2)*xX+C(N,4,4))
ri=(C(N,2,3)+C(N,4,4))
RL(3,2)=ri

RL(2,3)=ri
RL(3,3)=-(C(N,4,4)*xX+C(N,3,3))
CLM(N,M)=(RL(1,2)*CL(M,N)+RL(1,3)-RL(2,3))/(RL(2,2)+
+RL(1,2)**2./RL(1,1))
CLM(N,M)=CLM(N,M)*sqrt(abs(ERTS(N,M)))
CKM(N,M)=(RL(1,2)*RL(2,3)/RL(2,2)-RL(1,3))/RL(1,1)
+RL(1,2)**2./RL(2,2)
CKM(N,M)=CKM(N,M)*sqrt(abs(ERTS(N,M)))
RTY=sqrt(abs(ERTS(N,M)))

C----------> ERROR CHECK

ERR1=RL(1,1)*CKM(N,M)+RL(1,2)*CLM(N,M)+RL(1,3)*RTY
ERR2=RL(2,1)*CKM(N,M)+RL(2,2)*CLM(N,M)+RL(2,3)*RTY
C NOTE NEGATIVE DUE TO IMAGINARY CONSTANTS IN RTY AND CLM, CKM

WRITE(6,400)ERR1,ERR2,ERR3
400 FORMAT(/'GOV EQ RESIDUALS'/'3E22.12'/)
RETURN
END

C***********************************************************************

SUBROUTINE EIGCHK(N,M)
C***********************************************************************

IMPLICIT real*8 (A-H,O-Z)

COMMON e(1,2100),PK(2,4,3003),PM(2,4,3003),PL(2,4,3003),
+g1(1,3003),c11,c12,c13,c23,c22,c33,c66,c55,c44

COMMON/int/ N2(2,12,11),N3(19001),n4(100),N5(100,3),N6(2,15),
+n5j(100),nb(100),nf(100,2),np3(10,100),n5j(100),
+np3, np4, np3d, npd4, np1, nc, kn, nfz
COMMON/stuff/ z(3003),y(3003),Theta(100),ex(100,12),so(100),
+63(19001),b(19001),weak(6),
+fs(100),e11,e22,e33,g12,g13,g23,v12,v13,v23,
+rts(100,3),RL(3,3),CKm(100,3),clm(100,3),cmn(100,3),
+R(19001),qB(6,6),
+c(100,6,6),FM(8),thick,width

xX=RTS(N,M)
ri=-(C(N,6,6)*xX+C(N,5,5))
RL(1,1)=ri
C--------> ERROR CHECK

ERR1=RL(1,1)*CKM(N,M)+RL(1,2)*CLM(N,M)+RL(1,3)*RTY
ERR2=RL(2,1)*CKM(N,M)+RL(2,2)*CLM(N,M)+RL(2,3)*RTY
C NOTE NEGATIVE DUE TO IMAGINARY CONSTANTS IN RTY AND CLM.CKM
ERR3=-RTY=RL(3,1)*CKM(N,M)-RTY=RL(3,2)*CLM(N,M)+RL(3,3)

WRITE(6,400)ERR1,ERR2,ERR3

400 FORMAT((' GOV EQ RESIDUALS,'/3E22.12/)
RETURN
END

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SUBROUTINE MATMULT(M1)
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IMPLICIT real*8 (A-H,O-Z)

common/stuff/ z(3003),y(3003),THeta(100),ex(100,12),so(100),
+g3(19001),b(19001),wkarea(6),
+fz(100),e11,e22,e33,g12,g13,g23,v12,v13,v23,
+rt5(100,3),rl(3,3),ckm(100,3),clm(100,3),cm=100,3),
+r(19001),q6(6,6),
+c(100,6,6),FW(8),thick,width
COMMON e(1,2100),PK(2,4,3003),PM(2,4,3003),PL(2,4,3003),
+g1(1,3003),c11,C12,C13,C23,C22,C33,C66,c55,c44,
common/int/ M2(2,12,11),N3(19001),n4(100),N5(100,3),N6(2,15),
+n6(100),nb(100),nf(100,2),np31(10,100),n5j(100),
+np3, np4, np3d, np4d, np1, nc,kn,nfz

N2=0
DO 34 I=1,NP3
G1(1,1)=0.000
34 CONTINUE
IF(N1.EQ.1)GOTO 109

DO 1 I=1,N1-1
N2=N2+g5(N6(I,1)+N5(I,2)+N5(I,3))+NP3L(NC,I)
1 CONTINUE

109 CONTINUE
I1=1
DO 2 K=N1,N1+1
I6=1
IF(np31(nc,k).eq.0)GOTO 303
DO 302 L=1,NP3L(NC,K)
302 DO 361 J=1,4
G1(1,NN2+I6)=G1(1,NN2+I6)+E(1.(K-1)*21+J)
*PK(I1,J,L)
361 CONTINUE
**E1 (K-1) = 21 + J + 7)** PL(I1, J, L) * E1 (K-1) = 21 + 14 + J
**PM(I1, J, L)**

**CONTINUE**

**I6 = I6 + 1**

**CONTINUE**

**NN2 = NN2 + NP3L (NC, K)**
**NN1 = (NN1, K, 1) + N5(K, 2) + N5(K, 3)**
**IF(NN1 .EQ. 0) GOTO 33**

**DO 3 I = 1, NN1**

**DO 4 J = 1, 4**

**II = I + NP3L (NC, K)**

**G1 (I, NN2 + I) = G1(1, NN2 + I) + E1 (K-1) = 21 + J)**

**PK(I1, J, II)**

**E1 (K-1) = 21 + J + 7)** PL(I1, J, II) +

**E1 (K-1) = 21 + J + 14)**

**PM(I1, J, II)**

**CONTINUE**

**CONTINUE**

**CONTINUE**

**NN2 = NN2 + NN1**

**I1 = 2**

**IF(K .EQ. NP1) GOTO 999**

**RETURN**

**END**

**SUBROUTINE EMULT(KN, RX, Zz)**

**IMPLICIT REAL*8 (A-H, O-Z)**

**COMMON /stuff/ z (3003), y (3003), THeta (100), ex (100, 12), SO (100),**

**G3 (19001), b (19001), WKarea (6),**

**fz (100), e11, a22, e33, g12, g13, g23, v12, v13, v23,**

**e15 (100), KL (3, 3), Clm (100, 3), clm (100, 3),**

**R (19001), qb (6, 6),**

**c (100, 6, 6), PM (8), thick, width**

**COMMON e (1, 2100), PK (2, 4, 3003), PM (2, 4, 3003), PL (2, 4, 3003),**

**g1 (1, 3003), c11, C12, C13, C23, c22, C33, c66, C56, C44**

**COMMON /int/ N2 (2, 21, 11), N3 (19001), n4 (100), n5 (100, 3), N6 (2, 15),**

**n5j (100), nb (100), nf (100, 2), np3 (10, 100), n5j (100),**

**np3, np4, np3d, np4d, np1, nc, kn, nff**

**RX = 0**

**DO 1 I = 1, 6**

**RX = RX * C(K, N, I) * (EX (K, I) + Zz * EX (K, I + 6))**

**CONTINUE**

**RETURN**

**END**

**SUBROUTINE GIVENS (MT, MD, GX, GY)**

**IMPLICIT REAL*8 (A-H, O-Z)**

**REAL*8 GX (3003, 3003), GY (3003, 3003), THETA (100), EX (100, 12), SO (100),**

**COMMON /stuff/ z (3003), y (3003), THeta (100), ex (100, 12), SO (100),**

**integer md (100), mt (100), n (100)**
g3(19001), b(19001), w(areas(6),
+ f(100), e(11), e(22), e(33), e(512), g(13), g(23), v(12), v(13), v(23),
+ rect(100, 3), rl(3, 3), ckm(100, 3), cfm(100, 3), ccm(100, 3),
+ R(19001), qb(6, 6),
+ c(100, 1, 6), F(6), thick, width

common/int/ N2(2, 12, 11), N3(19001), n4(100), N5(100, 3), N6(2, 15),
+ N(100), N(100), n(100, 2), n3(10, 100), n6j(100),
+ np3, np4, np5, np6, np7, np8, np9, np10, np11, np12, np13, np14, np15, np16

i0=0
k0=0
l2=0

do 10 11=1,n1

mdx=0
if(11.gt.1)mdx=md(11-1)

do 20 k1=1,nt(11)
k=k0+k1
1k=int(2_k_.1)/n(1)*n(1)
kxx=k-10-1
kx=k-k2

if(10+n(11)>k-1)kxx=n(11)

do 21 11=1,kxx

i=i0+i1
i1=nt(11)
iy=i-1
1k=y-k-1
if(k1.gt.1)then
gki=g(kx, i)
else
gki=g(k, iy)
endif
if(gki.eq.0.)then
cc=1.
ss=0.
else
if(abs(gki).ge.abs(gy(i, iy)))then
t=g(y(i, iy))/gki
ss=ss+sqrt(1+t**2)
cc=ss*cc/t
else
t=gk1/gy(i, iy)
cc=1./sqrt(1+t**2)
ss=cc*cc/t
endif
endif

20 11=1,10+n(11)
j=1
jky=j-1k
\[ j_{1y}=j_{11} \]
\[ v=xy(i,j_{1y}) \]

if\( k > j \) then
\[ w=xy(kx,j) \]
else
\[ w=xy(k,j_{ky}) \]
endif

\[ xy(i,j_{1y})=cc*v+ss*w \]

if\( k > j \) then
\[ xy(kx,j)=-ss*v+cc*w \]
else
\[ xy(k,j_{ky})=-ss*v+cc*w \]
endif

22 continue

\[ r1=r(1) \]
\[ r(i)=-ss*r(i)+ss*r(k) \]
\[ r(k)=-ss*r(i)+cc*r(k) \]

21 continue

20 continue

if\( i1=1 \) then goto 10
\[ k0=k0+mt(11) \]

do 30 k1=1,md(11)
\[ k=k0+k1 \]
\[ ik=int((k-.1)/n(1))*n(1) \]
\[ kxx=k-i0-1 \]
if\( i0+n(11)+n(11+1) \leq k-1 \) then
\[ kxx=n(11)+n(11+1) \]
end if

dc 31 i1=1,kxx

if\( i1 > n(11) \) then
\[ kx=k-k2-mt(11)-mdx \]
else
\[ kx=k-k2 \]
endif

i=i0+i1
\[ i1=int((i-.1)/n(1))*n(1) \]
\[ i_{1y}=i_{11} \]
\[ i_{ky}=i_{1-k} \]
if\( k > i \) then
\[ gki=xy(kx,i) \]
else
\[ gki=xy(k,i_{ky}) \]
endif
if\( gki=0 \) then
\[ cc=1. \]
\[ ss=0. \]
else
if\( \text{abs}(gki) \geq \text{abs}(xy(i,i_{1y})) \) then
\[ t=xy(i,i_{1y})/gki \]
end if
endif
end if
\[
\begin{align*}
ss &= 1.0 / \sqrt{1 + t^2} \\
cc &= ss * t \\
\text{else} \\
t &= gk1 / gy(i, j, y) \\
cc &= 1.0 / \sqrt{1 + t^2} \\
ss &= cc * t \\
\text{endif} \\
\text{endif} \\
\text{do 32 } j_{1} = i, 10 + n(11) + n(11+1) \\
j_{1} &= j_{1} \\
j_{1} &= j_{1} - 1 \\
k &= j_{1} - k \\
v &= gy(i, j_{1}) \\
\text{if}(k > j) \text{then} \\
k &= k - k_{2} \\
\text{if}(j > k_{0} + n(11)) \text{then} \\
k &= (k - k_{2}) - mt(11) - mdx \\
w &= gx(kx, j) \\
\text{else} \\
w &= gy(k, j_{1}) \\
\text{endif} \\
gy(i, j_{1}) &= cc * v + ss * w \\
\text{if}(k > j) \text{then} \\
gx(kx, j) &= ss * v + cc * w \\
\text{else} \\
gy(k, j_{1}) &= ss * v + cc * w \\
\text{endif} \\
\text{continue} \\
r_{1} &= r(i) \\
r(i) &= cc * r(i) + ss * r(k) \\
r(k) &= ss * r(i) + cc * r(k) \\
\text{32} \text{ continue} \\
\text{31} \text{ continue} \\
\text{10} &= 10 + n(11) \\
k_{0} &= k_{0} + md(11) \\
k_{2} &= k_{2} + mt(11) + mdx \\
\text{10} \text{ continue} \\
\text{
---------- backwards substitution
}\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
i_{0} &= np_{1} \\
nx &= np_{3} \\
\text{do 60 } i_{0} = np_{3}, 1, -1 \\
b(i) &= r(i) \\
i_{1} &= \text{int}\left((i_{0} - 1) \div n(11)\right) * n(11) \\
\text{do 50 } j_{1} = i_{1} + 1, nx \\
b(i) &= b(i) - gy(i, j_{1}) * b(j) \\
\text{continue} \\
\text{if}(nx_{1} \geq n(10) - 1 \text{.and. } 10 \text{.ne. } np_{1}) \text{then} \\
nx &= nx - n(10) \\
10 &= 10 - 1 \\
\end{align*}
\]
else
endif

if(nx-i.ge.n(npl)+n(npl-1)-1.and.i0.eq.npl)then
nx=nx-n(npl)
i0=i0-1
else
endif

60
b(i)=b(i)/gy(i,i-1)
continue
return
end
************** MWR INPUT FILE *********************

2 : MP1---- HALF OF # OF LAYERS IN HALF LAMINATE
51 : MPTY
51 : MPTZ
60 60 :NSI # TERMS IN SERIES/ROOT/LAYER 1ST EVEN IF NC=1

******** LAY-UP ANGLES ***************
-45 45 90 0 30 0 90 30 -30 90 45 -45 45 -45 45 45 0 90 0 90

4.0 : WIDTH
.05 : SK DISTRIBUTION PARAMETER FOR Y AXIS
1.0 : THICKNESS
1.0E-6: UNIFORM AXIAL STRAIN AT CENTER
.0 0.0 0.0 1.0 .0 .0 Load vector nx,ny,nxy,mx,my,mxy

21. : E11
1.55 : E22
1.55 : E33
.31 : V12
0.49 : V23
.31 : V13
.65 : G12
0.52 : G23
0.65 : G13

0 : FLAG FOR WEIGHTING (1 FOR WEIGHTING, 0 NOT)
3 : CASE NUMBER SEE PROGRAM HEADER NC

******** WEIGHTING VALUES FOR U,V,W,SX,SY,SZ,TXY,TXZ,TYZ ******
1.0E2,1.0E2,1.0E2,1.0E2,1.0E2,1.0E2 1.0E1 1.0E1

0 : MWR3OLY/0 FOR COLL/2 FOR CG/3 FOR BOTH
00 00 00 : ADDITIONAL DOF FOR CG METHOD

1.4 : f1 scaling for frequencies
1.0 : exponent for frequencies (set to 1)
0 : ncoat 1 for edge coating, 0 for free edge
.05 : cthick thickness of coating
.12 .3 : elastic modulus and poisson ratio for coating
9 : number of points across the coating thickness
200 : number of points on coating face
0 : maxcal max no of iterations
Input File for MWR Program: MWR.DAT

(((N2(K I J) J=1 11) I=1 12) K=1 2)
1 2 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
4 5 6 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
6 7 8 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
9 10 11 12 13 14 0 0 0 0 0 0
4 5 6 7 8 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
9 10 11 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
1 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
7 8 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
11 12 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
9 10 11 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
1 2 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
4 6 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
7 6 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
11 12 10 14 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
4 6 7 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
11 10 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
1 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
7 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
11 12 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
10 11 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
((N6(K J) J=1 15) K=1 2)
3 3 3 6 5 3 2 1 1 2 2 3 0 0 0
3 2 2 4 3 2 2 1 1 2 2 0 0 0
Q
0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.
0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.
0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.
0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.
CKM
0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.
CLM
0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.
RL
0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.
RTS
0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.

(NB(I) I=1 10)
0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
((NP3L(I J) J=1 6) I=1 10)
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
((NF(I J K) J=1 3) K=1 6) I=1 10)
2 1
2 2
2 2
2 1
2 2
0 0
0 0
0 0
0 0
0 0