

Fibre kinking fracture toughness of laminates under combined compression and shear

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1 Background





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Mechanical properties of T700/LT-03A unidirectional laminae (GPa)						
Longitudinal		Transverse	Shear		Major Poisson's ratio	
123		8.44	3.78		0.33	
Calculated laminate stiffnesses (GPa)						
Off-axis angle	Ex	Ey	Gxy	Nux	y Nuyx	E'
0 °	69.48	4 62.707	3.780	0.04	5 0.04	30.77
3°	69.47	4 60.428	3.799	0.04	8 0.042	30.814
6 °	69.44	5 54.567	3.858	0.05	8 0.046	30.948
10°	69.38	1 44.666	3.998	0.08	1 0.052	31.276
15°	68.28	3 33.606	4.278	0.12	3 0.059	31.939



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2 Specimen and experiment setup

Schematics of the electromagnetic Hopkinson bar system





(b) the inductive and active coils, (c) high-speed camera, (d) limiter.



Field of view







Data reduction



• Decompose the displacement field

$$u_{crack} = u_{I} + u_{II} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{cases} u_{1} + u'_{1} \\ u_{2} - u'_{2} \end{cases} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{cases} u_{1} - u'_{1} \\ u_{2} + u'_{2} \end{cases}$$
where $u'_{i} = u(x_{1}, -x_{2})_{i}$
• Dynamic J-integral method

$$J_{M}^{lam} = \sum_{A} \left\{ \left[(W_{M} + K_{M})\delta_{1j} - \sigma_{Mij}\Delta u_{Mi} \right] \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta x_{j}} \Delta A \right\}$$

$$+ \sum_{A} \left[\rho \left(u_{Mi}^{..}\Delta u_{Mi} - u_{Mi}^{..} \frac{\Delta u_{Mi}}{\Delta x_{1}} \right) \Delta A \right] \quad (M = I, II)$$

• Fibre fracture toughness along the loading direction

$$J_{I}^{fibre} = 2.125 \cdot J_{I}^{lam}$$



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Shear strain at crack initiation













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