

Evaluation of Recyclability through Pyrolysis of Composite Lashing bar

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INTRODUCTION

Lashing bar

- A lashing bar is a device used to fix containers on a container ship, and is fixed through tension applied to the lashing bar
- The lashing bar is made of metal and used, but due to its heavy weight during use, great damage occurs in the event of a safety accident
- In order to suppress accidents, we are researching the manufacturing of lashing bars using composite materials with light weight and high mechanical properties



<Lashing bar>

Comparison

	Steel	Composites
Tensile Strength	100 MPa	200 MPa
Specific Gravity	7.8	2.0
Corrosion	10 Years	50 Years
Weight	20 kg	10 kg

Recycling of CFRP

- Recycling of CFRP is being studied in various ways due to the high price of CF
- Common recycling methods can be divided into three categories : mechanical recycling, chemical process, pyrolysis
- Mechanical grinding or milling is not suitable for high-priced carbon fiber because it causes a lot of damage, and research through pyrolysis and chemical methods is being actively conducted
- Pyrolysis was carried out to confirm the thermal stability of the composite lashing bar and to evaluate its recyclability after use



Pros and cons

Advantages	Disadvantages
- Existing commercial equipment	- Resin residue on the fiber surface
- Energy recovery from resin	- Large process variation depending on fiber type
- Excellent adhesion between rCF and epoxy	- Requires gas processing device

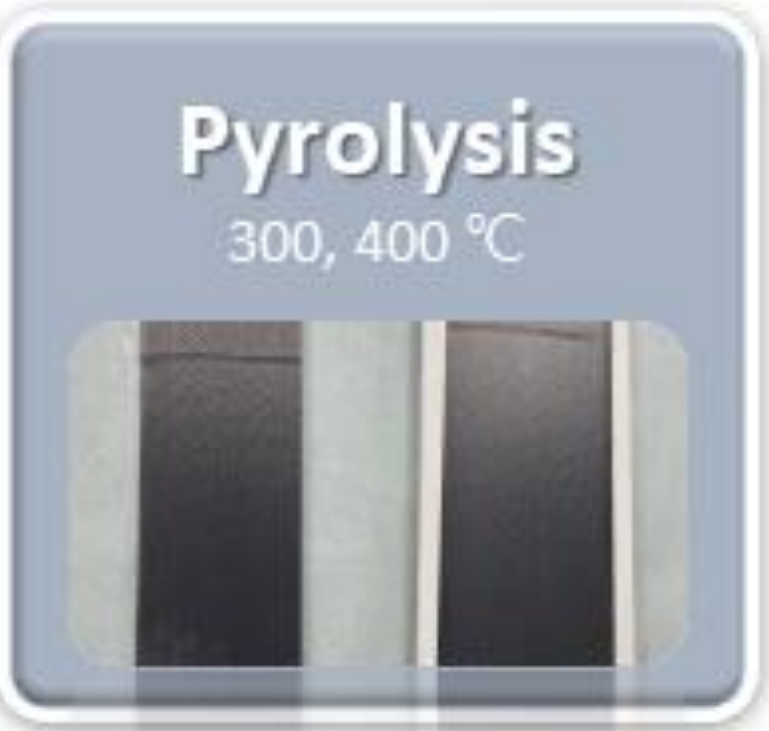
- Realization of pyrolysis using an electric furnace
- This equipment can raise the temperature to about 1100 °C

EXPERIMENT



TGA
800 °C - 10°C/min

- TGA Condition**
 - Dynamic ramp type
 - Heating rate : 10 °C / min
 - Check weight loss



Pyrolysis
300, 400 °C

- Pyrolysis Condition**
 - Decision based on TGA results : 300, 400 °C, 8 °C / min
 - Final evaluation 300 °C
 - Proceed at 400 °C to complete

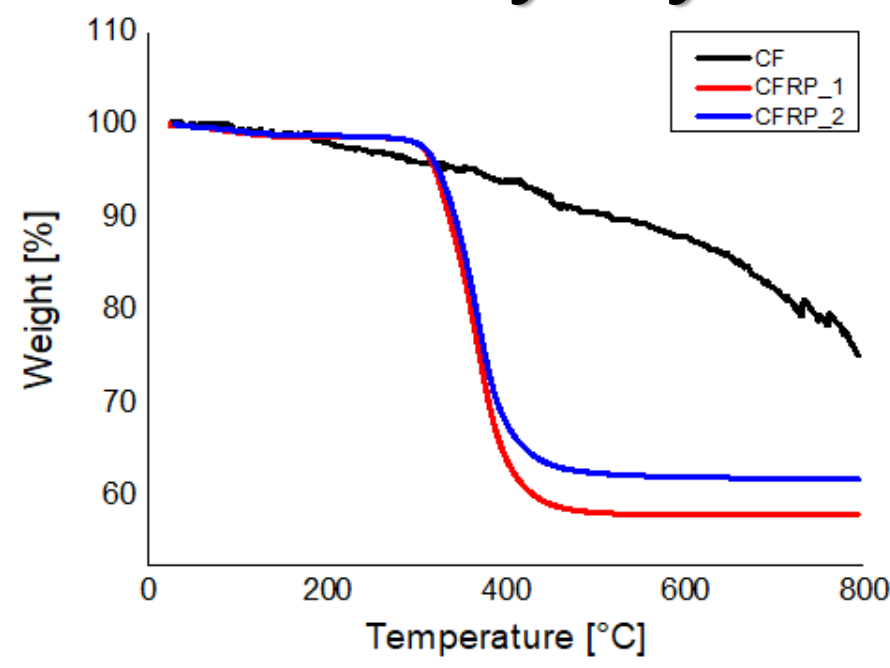


SEM-EDS
20 kV, SE, HV, x950

- SEM-EDS Condition**
 - Working condition : 23 °C, 53 % RH
 - Check surface condition by SEM
 - Surface composition analysis using EDS

RESULT

TGA & Pyrolysis



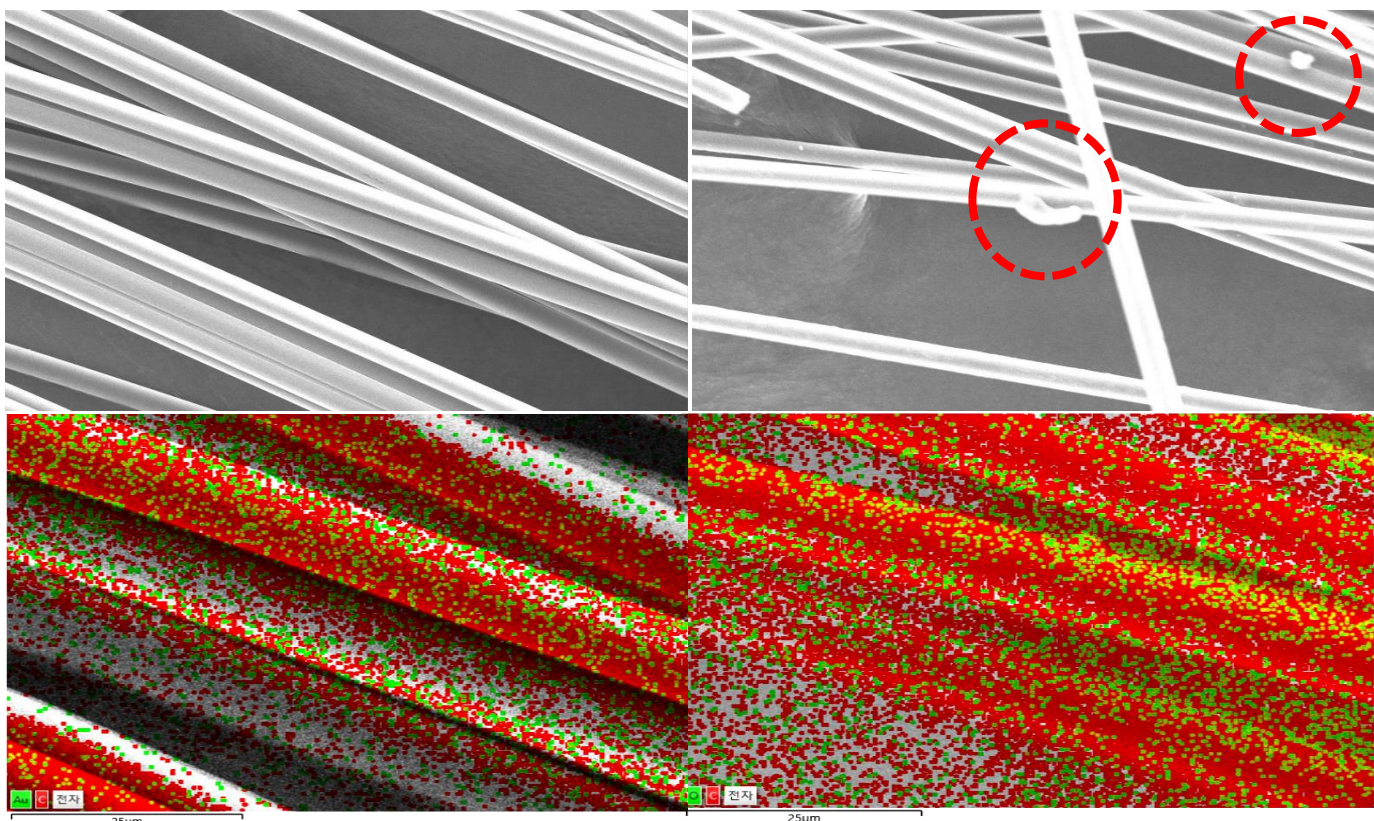
<TGA measurement results>



<Pyrolysis results(400 °C, 3 hr)>

- 300 °C : Resin decomposition occurs
- pyrolysis was carried out at 300 °C, but the resin was not completely decomposed, so the test was completed by pyrolysis at 400 °C

SEM-EDS



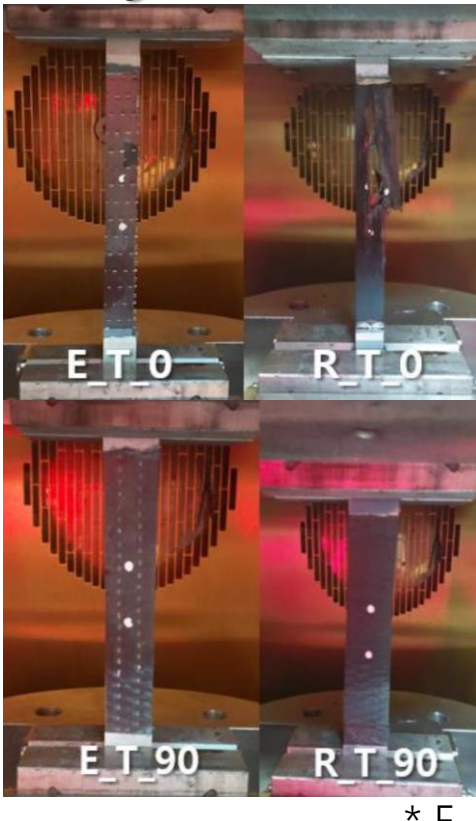
<SEM&EDS measurement results (Left : CF Right : rCF)>

Element	Line type	Weight %	Weight % o	atom %
C	K series	92.61	-	92.61
Au	K series	7.39	-	7.39

Element	Line type	Weight %	Weight % o	atom %
C	K series	83.36	0.36	88.81
O	K series	13.63	0.35	10.90

- Looking at the SEM results, resin remains on the surface compared to the initial fiber
- Other than that, there is no significant difference when looking at the surface
- EDS results show that a lot of O is generated on the surface during the pyrolysis process
- It can be seen that oxidation has occurred in the fiber

Physical Properties



* E - Pyrolysis X / R - Pyrolysis O / T - Tensile / I - ILSS

	E,T,O	E,T,O	E,I,O	E,I,O
Max Load [kN]	35.89	1.64	9.29	1.47
Max Str. [Mpa]	1608.45	42.20	60.42	9.51
Max Load [kN]	39.94	1.03	5.52	0.79
Max Str. [Mpa]	1000.15	27.98	39.53	5.85

- Changes in failure patterns before and after pyrolysis
- Max strength value decreases overall after pyrolysis

CONCLUSION

- As a result of the TGA measurement, a weight loss is shown at around 320 °C. The weight loss section appearing after 600 °C is considered to be the decomposition of carbon fiber
- As a result of the SEM measurement, it was confirmed that the resin was completely removed from the fiber surface during the pyrolysis process, and as a result of the EDS result, a lot of O was generated on the surface, indicating that the fiber itself had been oxidized
- The pyrolysis test on CFRP is expected to be used as a material for recycling synthetic lashing bars in the future
- Decomposition temperature and time must be controlled to minimize surface oxidation and property degradation
- Based on this, we plan to carry out a recovery study on CFRP that is not usable in the future

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