

Experimental and Numerical Investigation of Shape Memory Alloy Hybrid Composites with Elastomeric Interface

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Paolo: the student

I want to use SMA to

create a mobile flap to increase the resistance

force in braking



Gregorio: the SMA PhD guy

It's a bad idea, the composite is too stiff, the interface will break, heating is a problem, cooling is a problem.. È un'idea fantastica! Let's do it! (you do it)



Andrea: the visionary Professor







Let's use an elastomeric interface, trust me, I did 1000 time, it will work



Giulia: the experienced in SMA FEM

Tommaso: the experienced in composite (Also the guy who make things work)

Povolo, M., Brugo, T. M., & Zucchelli, A. (2020). Numerical and Experimental Investigation of Al./CFRP Hybrid Tubes with Rubber-like Interlayer.





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THE PROOF



- 0.5 SMA wire (As 95°)
- 3.5% prestrain
- 6 Ampere



WHY IT WORKED?



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PAINE, JONES, & ROGERS, (1992) Nitinol actuator to host composite interfacial adhesion in adaptive hybrid composites.





Baz, Ro, (1992). Thermo-Dynamic Characteristics of Composite Beams



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Yuan, Bai, Jia. (2016). Enhancement of interfacial bonding strength of SMA smart composites by using mechanical indented method

Modifying method	Chemical etching [15]	Hand sanding [9]	Silane coupling agent [10]	Twisting method [13]
value	3%-18%	17%	91%	500%



Baitab,et al. (2020). Tensile behavior of multilayer 3D smart woven composites embedded with SMA wires.



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Kelly and Tyson (1965)

- *l_c* : critical embedding
- σ_{ult} : fiber tensile strenght
- *r* : radius of the fiber
- τ_y : interfacial shear strenght





 Embedding length >> Critical length but the SMA doesn't brake

Mode I is predominant:
 The necking of the SMA wire cause debonding



The solution to SMA integration in composites is to eliminate **Mode I** But most of the work is to increase **interfacial shear strength**





- 1. Manufacturing
- 2. Testing
- 3. Characterization of the materials
- 4. Finite element analysis



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1. MANUFACTURING

Specimen with or without elastomeric interface





- 0.2 mm SMA wire (Af -25°)
- 0.22 mm GFRP prepreg
- 0.5 mm KRAIBON
- Preliminary specimen
 L_embedded = [¼4" ½2" 1"]
- Final specimen
 - L_embedded = $\frac{1}{2}''$



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2. TESTING - METHOD

Customised Pull-out tests of different embedded length specimen





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2. TESTING - RESULTS





- + Initiation of Martensitic Phase Transformation (MPT) within the free wire
- × Completion of MPT within the free wire and initiation within the embedded
- + Initiation of debonding
- × Completion of debonding



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3. CHARACTERIZATION



SMA wire tensile test (dotted line)

SMA FEM curve (red line)



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NUMERICAL ANALYSIS - MODELING



3. 2D ax-sym FEM with CZMDOE: Optimization of parameters







NUMERICAL ANALYSIS – SHARED TOPOLOGY

	τ average (MPa)	δt (mm)	σ <i>average</i> (MPa)	δn (mm)	R (-)	α (-)
EP	18	0.04	9	0.04	0.1	1
KR	5.75	0.87	3.5	0.004	0.1	1





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NUMERICAL ANALYSIS - DOE

	τ _{average} (MPa)	δ_t (mm)	G _t (MPa∙mm)	<i>σ_{average}</i> (MPa)	δ_n (mm)	G _n (MPa∙mm)	R (-)	α (-)
DOE 1	18.3 18 17.7	0.07 0.04 0.01	$\begin{array}{c} 0.6405\\ 0.63\\ 0.6195\\ 0.366\\ 0.36\\ 0.354\\ 0.0915\\ 0.09\\ 0.0885\end{array}$	8	0.012	0.048	0.13 0.1 0.07	1
DOE 2	35.4 23.6 17.7 14.16 11.8	$0.06 \\ 0.05 \\ 0.04 \\ 0.03 \\ 0.02$	0.354	8	0.012	0.048	0.5 0.1 0.01	1
DOE 3	17.7	0.04	0.354	16 8 4	0.24 0.06 0.024 0.012 0.004	0.96 0.24 0.0964 0.024 0.016	0.1	1

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GFRP SMA GFRP



NUMERICAL ANALYSIS - DOE

	(MPa)	(mm)	(MPa·mm)	(MPa)	(mm)	(MPa·mm)	R (-)	α (-)
DOE 1	7	1	3.5	7	0.01	0.035	0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.85	1
DOE 2	7 6 5 4 3 2	1	3.5 3 2.5 2 1.5 1 0.5	7	0.01	0.035	0.85	1





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5

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0

NUMERICAL ANALYSIS - RESULTS



2

Displacement (mm)

3

4







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NUMERICAL ANALYSIS - RESULTS





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NUMERICAL ANALYSIS - RESULTS





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- The elastomeric interface can effectively be used to integrate SMA
- Other method all fail before or when the SMA MPT reach the matrix
- A method of optimization of CZM parameters have been tested





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UPDATES

- Experiments with different embedding lengths
- Study of the effect of clamping in the SMA modelling
- Tensile traction/compression characterization of KRAIBON
- Study of the effect of the thermal effect
- Improved FEM modelling
- Improved DOE optimization method of CZM parameters





FUTURE WORKS

- Tailoring of the elastomeric interface
- Electrospinning of the elastomeric interface
- Thermo-Mechanical Characterization of SMA and KRAIBON
- Experiments/Numerical investigation with Shape Memory Effect
- Design of new SMAHC
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