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# **The Effect of Changing the Reinforcing Angle of a Composite Material on the Tensile and Compressive Resistance Using the ANSYS Program**



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## https://doi.org/10.18280/acsm.480505 **ABSTRACT**

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This work uses finite elements to build and examine composite laminates constructed of carbon fiber reinforced polymer (CFRP). The great strength compared to weight of composite materials is an important characteristic. Using the finite element method and the ANSYS program, the optimal resistance model for tensile testing and compressive testing was chosen. This article will present hybrid 3D simulation models of woven materials reinforced with fibers, with the goal of optimizing the model by adjustment of the reinforcement angle. The Math-Cad and ANSYS software will be used to compare these reinforced models from different angles in addition to testing them under compressive and tensile loads. The results of the tensile testing of the models were illustrated using von Mises stress theory of failure. Of all the models, the tenth is the one that is least susceptible to failure. The resistance to breakdown is weaker (51.5%) when compared to the resistance to the fifth model's breakdown. The von Mises stress theory of failure was used to illustrate the findings of the compressive testing of the models. The third model is the one that has the lowest failure probability. The resistance to collapse is significantly lower (48%) than the resistance to the fifth model's disintegration. Additionally, the results show that the sixth model had the lowest shear stress (1.5686 MPa), whereas the tenth model had the highest shear stress (22.734 MPa). For resistance to stresses, strains, and deformations caused by the tensile test and compression test, the third model is the best selection.

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

In the world of engineering, fiber reinforced composite materials are becoming increasingly significant. These kinds of materials have a significant impact on many industrial sectors, particularly the aerospace industry, Additionally, a number of different industries, including the automotive, maritime, and medical sectors as well as the field of connections and transportation and in the construction and military field [1-4]. A substance made up of two or more components is referred to as a composite material. A matrix that holds the fiber in place and the fiber itself, which acts as reinforcement, are the two components of materials with fiber reinforcement. The examination of components made of such materials is a challenging process since they are composed of two quite distinct materials with very diverse properties [5]. There are two methods for researching the behavior of fiberreinforced composite materials. The composite material is treated by the micro-mechanical technique as a blend of different materials, and the average properties are derived by taking into account the characteristics of each individual material within a unit-cell. The continuum method states that the composite material is homogeneous and has uniform average attributes [6, 7]. The advantages of polymeric

composites over metals include greater fatigue strength, improved corrosion resistance, and reduced weight [8, 9]. When subjected to tension, flexural, and compression forces, polymeric composites are vulnerable to mechanical damage, which can result in material failure. As a result, it's important to utilize materials with better damage tolerance and to conduct a sufficient mechanical examination. By enhancing the interlinear characteristics of the matrix and reinforcing it with bidirectional woven fabrics, epoxy polymeric composites' damage tolerance can be increased [10, 11]. The tensile and compressive load resistance characteristics of twoand three-dimensional models are the subject of extensive investigation. A portion of this research involved designing various models with fibers of various sorts and orientations, while the remaining portion involved doing various trials with composite materials under various stresses [6, 12, 13]. A GHPFRC matrix composite combines reinforcing elements like mineral or inorganic non-mineral fibers, synthetic fibers, or natural organic fibers with matrix compounds like mortar, grout, or concrete. GHPFRC matrix composite is more flexible, low-carbon, cost-effective, and environmentally friendly than regular concrete [14]. The main emphasis of this experimental work was on the yield and tensile strength of composite materials made with varying proportions of pure jute and

chicken feather fiber. The group (A) including 95% pure jute fibers and 5% chicken feather fibers had the highest tensile strength among the four composite groups with relative differences, according to the obtained data [15]. The cantilever beam system under direct external load was the subject of the current study. It features holes of different shapes on its surface. The strain results show that the models made of composite materials are increasing at varying rates; the model made of glass fibers attained the highest values (92.18%) [16]. The tensile strength of the AA 2014 composite, which was created using the electromagnetic stir casting technology, is examined in this study in relation to the weight ratio of noncarbonated eggshell. It was found that the non-carbonated eggshell reinforcement in the AA 2014 aluminium alloy increased the hardness and tensile strength by 39.58% and 55.24%, respectively [17].

The present investigation examined the damage behavior of a composite material under the influence of axial tension, the stages of failure progression, the behavior of effective tensile elasticity in various compounds, and the progression of damage development and failure strength [11]. Banakar et al. [18] compared the performance of a three dimension orthogonal woven composite and a 3DAC in a semi-static three-point bending test. The outcomes demonstrated that various structural fabrics had an impact on the composite's flexural characteristics. In this investigation, the characteristics of industrial thermoplastics and selective laser sintering (SLS) are compared [19]. This suggests that when pressure is applied, mechanical qualities are increased in comparison to traditional approaches. The orientation and volume percentage of the fibers visibly affect the composites' mechanical characteristics. The article discusses how the thickness and fiber orientation of laminated polymer composites affect their tensile properties [20]. The materials are epoxy resin, which acts as a matrix and transfers load to stiff fibers by shear stress, and bi-woven fiber glass, which acts as reinforcement. Two different thicknesses (2 mm and 3 mm) and three alternative orientations (30°, 45°, and 90°) are taken into consideration. Using manual lay-up, the specimens are produced. A UTM machine is used to assess the specimens' tensile strength. They concluded that specimens with reduced thickness yield higher ultimate tensile strength, independent of fiber orientation. The sample elongation is larger at angles of 30° and decreased at angles of 90°, they finally concluded. Example descriptions of failures were analysed. The results showed consistent tensile failure and threads at 3DBAC that could bear the maximum stress. The investigation of the many forms of failures associated with lightweight composite materials led to the conclusion that these materials possess higher flexural strength capabilities. This finding provides a fundamental basis for the design and manufacturing of lightweight structures [21]. In this paper [22], the evolution of the impact in a composite laminate under stress is studied experimentally and numerically in ABAQUS/EXPRESS. Xray tomography is used to study damage envelopes utilizing

the NDE (Non Destructive Evaluation) approach. It has been found that the qualities of the constituent materials, layer orientations and stacking patterns, and plate thicknesses all affect the CAI's strength. In this work [23], modifications in the weight percentages of woven fibers (15, 25, and 35%) were used to analyze the mechanical and physical properties of epoxy resin composites reinforced with woven fibers and other unidirectional composites. This investigation showed that while the influence of other compounds rose, the tensile strength of the compound decreased as the weight of the woven fibers grew. Bending tests, which are conducted by placing a material under load and applying strain to bend it to failure, are the most popular experimental characterization method in the sector [24]. In order to examine structural defects in composite materials, this study reinforces the materials from several angles. The analysis's conclusions demonstrate that the fibers' orientation affects both K1LC and the maximum strength of failure. According to the findings, the composite material functions best when the fibers are arranged lengthwise in the direction of tensile strength [25]. This paper [26] discusses a novel technique to comprehend anisotropic fiber reinforced composite materials' failure mechanisms as a result of low velocity. The Impact Break method is used to examine how these composites' mechanical characteristics and failure processes relate to loading speed. In composite materials, the change from static to impact loading conditions is particularly notable. features that have been demonstrated by experiment. When the shock load is applied initially, composite materials damage is seen.

In this article, hybrid 3D simulation models of fiberreinforced woven materials will be shown in order to provide the best model by modifying the angle of reinforcement. In addition to being tested under the influence of compressive and tensile loads, these reinforced models will also be compared between them from various angles using the Math-Cad and ANSYS software.

#### **2. MATERIALS AND MODEL ANALYSIS**

For each test, ten composite-material models are outfitted with various codes: The first ten models were used for tensile tests, and the second ten models were used for compression tests. The mechanical characteristics of the composite materials used in this article are shown in Table 1.

The reinforcements in composite materials are always orientated in the direction of the load. In cases when the load direction is non-perpendicular to the fibers and is varied, it is particularly crucial to assess the mechanical performance of the laminate. The codes in Table 2 were chosen in order to look at how fiber orientation affects tensile, compression, bending, and impact resistances. The results of the program Mathcad-15's analysis of the orthotropic mechanical properties of composite materials for the ten codes are also displayed in Table 2.

**Table 1.** Mechanical properties of carbon fiber and polyester [27]

<b>Property</b>	<b>Modulus of Elasticity</b> $\mathcal{L}$ , $(GPa)$	<b>Modulus of Rigidity</b> $G.$ $(GPa)$	<b>Density</b> $\rho$ , Kg/m <sup>3</sup>	<b>Poisons Ratio</b>
Carbon fiber	400	108	1780	0.32
Polvester	4.4	.633	455ء	0.33





### **3. TESTING OF COMPOSITES**

## **3.1 Tensile test**

As indicated in Figure 1, tensile testing is carried out by cutting the composite specimen in line with ASTM Standard: D638. Measurements of this specimen. A total of ten models were built to test the tension resistance of ten models reinforced with various angles for various composite materials.



Figure 1. ASTM D638 standard tensile test model [28]

## **3.2 Compressive test**

The test sample and dimension for the compression test are shown in Figure 2, using the compression apparatus of ASTM D3518/M [29]. Ten models were constructed to test the compressive resistance of ten models reinforced with different angles for different composite materials.



**Figure 2.** Schematic arrangement of 3-point bend test [29]

#### **4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

## **4.1 Codes**

Figure 3 illustrations the order of the ten codes that have been selected for comparison in terms of strains, stresses, deformation, and displacements, which result from the exposure of these models consisting of composite and reinforced materials at different angles according to the codes in the figure to a tension load.



**Figure 3.** The selected codes

#### **4.2 Tensile test**

Ten composite material models that were created using the three-dimensional ANSYS software each have a unique code that sets it apart from the others. To examine how the ten models behaved when under the influence of a drag load, these models were evaluated with a drag load of 1600 N. As well as comparing among the ten selected models to find the deformations, displacements, strains, and stresses that they exhibit. Then choose the best model out of the ten to carry the two components of the code that can withstand this kind of load and function securely in industrial, construction, space, maritime, military, and any other domains. The maximum deformations of the ten models are depicted in Figure 4 together with their shapes and values; the fifth model had the highest value of the deformation (29.9026 mm), while the first model had the lowest value of the deformation (1.94228 mm).

The von Mises stress value of a material can be used to determine whether it will yield or fracture. Ductile materials are used the majority of the time. A material will yield if the von Mises stress is equal to or greater than the yield limit of the same material under simple tension. According to the von Mises yield criterion. In light of this, Figure 5 shows that the best model, with a von Mises stress value of (2302.94 MPa), was the fifth model. According to the von Mises stress theory, this model is more resistant to collapsing than the other nine models. The worst of the ten models, the third one, collapses the fastest while having the largest von Mises stress value (4864.89 MPa).

The horizontal path (x-x) used to compare the deformations and normal stresses that take place in the models when they are subjected to the identical tensile load is shown in Figure 6.



**Figure 4.** Deformation in all models



**Figure 5.** Comparison among von Mises stress of the tensile test in all codes



**Figure 6.** The chosen horizontal path for the tensile test

Figure 7 compares the deformations that the ten models underwent during the tensile test of the composite material on the path (x-x). The image appears to suggest that the first model had the lowest deformation values throughout the path (x-x), while the fifth model had the highest deformation values from the beginning of the deformation distribution on the models to the end.

In the tensile test of the composite material, the normal stress  $(\sigma_x)$ , which affects all ten models, is compared in Figure 8 on the (x-x) path. The figure appears to show that the tenth model's curve on the same path had the lowest distortion values while the fifth model's curve had the greatest distortion values.



**Figure 7.** The comparison of tensile test deformation among all models



**Figure 8.** The comparison of tensile test normal stresses  $(\sigma_x)$ among all models

In Figures 9-22, the displacements, stresses, and strains of the ten models after loading with an applied load of 1600 N are shown together with the results from the ANSYS program at point (C) in the center of the model, whose value is (82.5 mm). The highest and lowest values were as follows:





**Figure 9.** The comparison of tensile test displacement  $(U_x)$  in direction x-axis among all models



**Figure 10.** The comparison of tensile test displacement (*Uy*) in direction y-axis among all models



**Figure 11.** The comparison of tensile test displacement (*Usum*) in direction x-axis among all models



**Figure 12.** The comparison of tensile test normal stress  $(\sigma_x)$ among all models



**Figure 13.** Normal stress  $(\sigma_y)$  in of the tensile test



**Figure 14.** The comparison of tensile test shear stress (*τxy*) among all models



**Figure 15.** The comparison of tensile test principle stress  $(\sigma_1)$ among all models



Figure 16. First The comparison of tensile test intensity stress (*σint.*) among all models



**Figure 17.** The comparison of tensile test von Mises stresses (*σvon)* among all models



**Figure 18.** The comparison of tensile test normal strain  $(\varepsilon_x)$ among all models



**Figure 19.** Normal strain  $(\varepsilon_y)$  in of the tensile test



**Figure 20.** The comparison of tensile test shear strain (*εxy*), among all models



**Figure 21.** The comparison of tensile test intensity strain (*εint.*), among all models



**Figure 22.** The comparison of tensile test von Mises strain (*εvon*), among all models

## **4.3 Compressive test**

Each of the ten composite material models produced by the three-dimensional ANSYS program has a special code that distinguishes it from the others. The ten models were tested with a compressive load of 1600 N to examine how they responded to the influence of a compressive force. Additionally, the deformations, displacements, strains, and stresses displayed by the ten chosen models were compared. Then decide which of the ten designs can safely hold the two code components and withstand this kind of load in industrial, construction, space, maritime, military, and other areas. Figure 23 shows the forms and values of the ten models' maximum deformations. The fifth model had the greatest number of deformations (0.238476 mm), while the first model had the smallest amount of deformation (0.154287 mm).

It is possible to foretell whether a material will give or fracture using its von Mises stress value. The most common material used is ductile. The von Mises yield criterion states that a material will yield if the von Mises stress is equal to or greater than the yield limit of the same material under simple compression. Figure 24 shows that, in accordance with the von Mises stress theory, the fifth model, with a von Mises stress value of (2302.94 MPa), is the best option since it is less susceptible to collapsing than the other nine models. The worst of the ten models, the third one, collapses the fastest while having the largest von Mises stress value (4864.89 MPa).



**Figure 23.** Deformation in all models





**Figure 24.** Comparison among shear stress of the compressive test in all codes

The von Mises stress value of a material can be used to forecast whether it will yield or fracture. The most often used materials are ductile. The von Mises yield criterion states that if the von Mises stress is equal to or greater than the material's yield limit under simple compression, the material will yield. Figure 25 shows that, in accordance with the von Mises stress theory, the fifth model, with a von Mises stress value of (625.252 MPa), is the best option since it is less susceptible to collapsing than the other nine models. The worst of the ten models, the third one, collapses the fastest while having the largest von Mises stress value (325.252 MPa).

In order to compare the deformations, normal stresses, shear stresses, intensity stresses, and von Mises stresses that take place in the models when they are subjected to the identical compressive load, the horizontal path (y-y) that was selected, Figure 26.





**Figure 25.** Comparison among von Mises stress of the compressive test in all codes



**Figure 26.** Illustrations of the chosen horizontal path for the compressive test

Figure 27 compares the deformations that the ten models underwent during the compressive test of the composite material on the path (y-y). According to the figure, the first model had the lowest deformation values along the same path from the beginning of the deformation distribution on the models to its conclusion (y-y), while the fifth model had the highest values along the same path.



**Figure 27.** The comparison of compressive test deformation among all models

Figure 28 compares the normal stress  $(\sigma_x)$  on the (y-y) path in the tensile test of the composite material, which has an impact on all ten models. The figure seems to indicate that, on the same path, the tenth model's curve had the least distortion values while the fifth model's curve had the most distortion values.



**Figure 28.** The comparison of compressive test normal stresses  $(\sigma_x)$  among all models

The theory of maximum shear stress provides a framework for examining the stress-related failure of ductile materials. When creating safe parts, it is crucial to adhere to this standard. The theory is concerned with determining the highest shear stress value at which a material will eventually deform. The shear stress  $(\tau_{xy})$ , which affects all ten models in the compressive test of the composite material, is contrasted on the (y-y) path in Figure 29. According to the figure, the fifth model's curve had the highest distortion values and the ninth model's curve had the lowest distortion values for the same path.



**Figure 29.** The comparison of compressive test shear stresses (*τxy*) among all models

In Figure 30, the (y-y) path contrasts the intensity stress (*σint.*), which is present in all ten models during the compressive test of the composite material. The figure shows that over the identical path, the distortion values for the curves of the fifth and tenth models were highest and lowest respectively.

The von Mises stress  $(\sigma_{von})$ , which is present in all ten models throughout the compressive test of the composite material, is contrasted in Figure 31 by the (y-y) route. The figure demonstrates that for the fifth and tenth models' curves, the distortion values were largest and lowest, respectively, across the same path.



**Figure 30.** The comparison of compressive test intensity stresses  $(\sigma_{int.})$  among all models



**Figure 31.** The comparison of compressive test von Mises stresses  $(\sigma_{\text{von}})$  among all models

In Figures 32 to 45, along with the results of the ANSYS software at the model's center, point (M), whose value is (70 mm), are the displacements, stresses, and strains of the ten models after being loaded with a 1600 N applied load. These were the highest and lowest values, respectively:





**Figure 32.** The comparison of compressive test displacement  $(U_x)$  in direction x-axis among all models



**Figure 33.** The comparison of compressive test displacement  $(U_y)$  in direction y-axis among all models



**Figure 34.** The comparison of compressive test displacement (*Usum*) in direction x-axis among all models



**Figure 35.** The comparison of compressive test normal stress  $(\sigma_x)$  among all models



**Figure 36.** Normal stress  $(\sigma_y)$  in of the compressive test



**Figure 37.** The comparison of compressive test shear stress (*τxy*) among all models



**Figure 38.** The comparison of compressive test principle stress  $(\sigma_1)$  among all models



**Figure 39.** First comparison of compressive test intensity stress (*σint.*) among all models



**Figure 40.** The comparison of compressive test von Mises stresses (*σvon*) among all models



Figure 41. The comparison of compressive test normal strain (*εx*) among all models



**Figure 42.** Normal strain  $(\varepsilon_y)$  in of the compressive test



**Figure 43.** The comparison of compressive test shear strain (*εxy*), among all models



**Figure 44.** The comparison of compressive test intensity strain (*εint.*), among all models



**Figure 45.** The comparison of compressive test von Mises strain (*εvon*), among all models

## **5. CONCLUSIONS**

To evaluate the mechanical characteristics of CFRP composite chips, such as tensile and compressive properties, bending, and impact resistance, the ANSYS program was used to construct ten models, each built of composite material and furnished with various angles from the other using different codes. The results showed the following:

1. By using the von Mises stress theory of failure, the results of the tensile testing of the models were demonstrated. The tenth model is the most failure-resistant of all the models. Compared to the resistance to the fifth model's breakdown, the resistance to collapse is lower (51.5%).

2. The results of the compressive testing of the models were shown using the von Mises stress theory of failure. The third model is the one that is least likely to fail. The resistance to collapse is less (48%) than the resistance to the disintegration of the fifth model.

3. The path (y-y) is affected by shear stress. Observe that, as a result of the compression test, the tenth model has the highest shear stress and its value is 22.734 MPa, while the sixth model has the lowest shear stress and its value is 1.5686 MPa.

4. The third model is the best model for resistance to stresses, strains, and deformations under the effect of the tensile test and the compression test, it is inferred from the study of the results of ten models tests.

#### **6. RECOMMENDATIONS AND FUTURE WORK**

The need for materials that can satisfy the complicated requirements of contemporary applications while supporting sustainability goals is a problem shared by industries worldwide in an era of rapid technical innovation and growing environmental concerns. Conventional materials frequently fall short of offering the ideal combination of qualities needed for cutting-edge applications, including sustainability, design flexibility, strength and durability, and weight reduction. Since composite materials are employed in this article, the following are the most crucial suggestions for further research in this area to create a balance of the aforementioned properties:

1. Undertaking comprehensive scientific investigations concerning composite materials technology, encompassing Nano composites, bio-based composites, and smart composites.

2. Undertaking investigations and studies to examine the possible effects of advanced composites in several industries,

3. Investigating, studying about, and debating the potential and difficulties in implementing and extending the use of composite materials technology,

4. Investigating and studying alternative composite materials, varying the angles of reinforcement, and performing mechanical tests for fatigue resistance, bending strength, impact resistance, tensile strength, corrosion resistance, and other critical mechanical tests in a range of technological, industrial, and military applications.

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