

Transient response of delaminated torsion stiff composite conical shell panel subjected to low velocity oblique impact

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Why composite

- ❑ **Improved tailored properties of materials**
 - High strength and stiffness
 - High corrosion and wear resistance
 - High thermal and acoustic insulation
 - High thermal conductivity
 - Prolonged fatigue life cycle

- ❑ **Customerization in utility of material**
 - Attractiveness
 - Surface finish
 - Low maintenance

- ❑ **Weight sensitive and cost-effective**
 - High strength to weight ratio
 - High stiffness to weight ratio
 - Low utility cost in long-run



Why composite

□ Application oriented

a) Aerospace

Turbo-machines' impellers, fan blades, aircraft wings, space shuttle

b) Automobile / Marine

Propellers, composite superstructure

c) Civil / Construction

Roof structures, housing cells

d) Others

i) **Electrical & Electronics:** - Insulator, armor, antennas

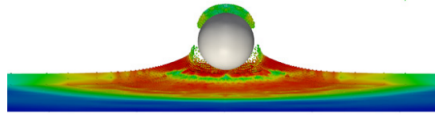
ii) **Bio-medical:** - Dental implants, osteosynthesis plates

ii) **Transport:** Trailers, wagons, interior panels

iii) **Sports:** Skis, bicycle

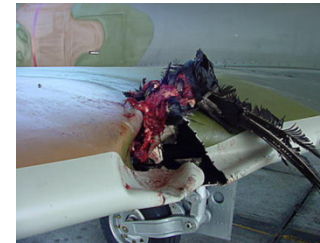
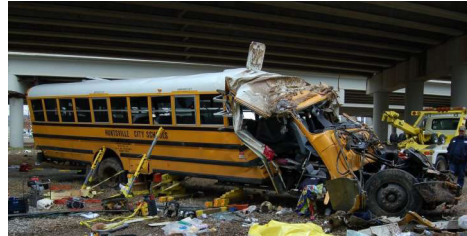
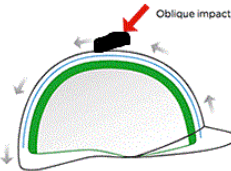
iv) **Miscellaneous:** Helmet

Why low velocity oblique impact



In real-life, oblique impact mostly occurs due to shock applied in short time period when two or more bodies collide

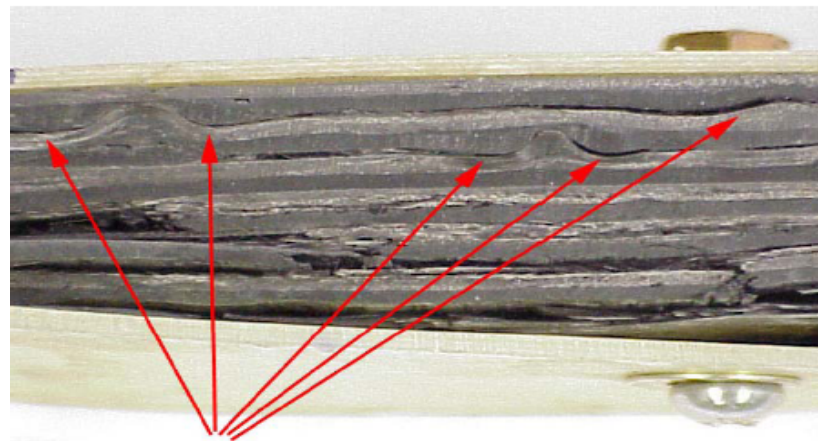
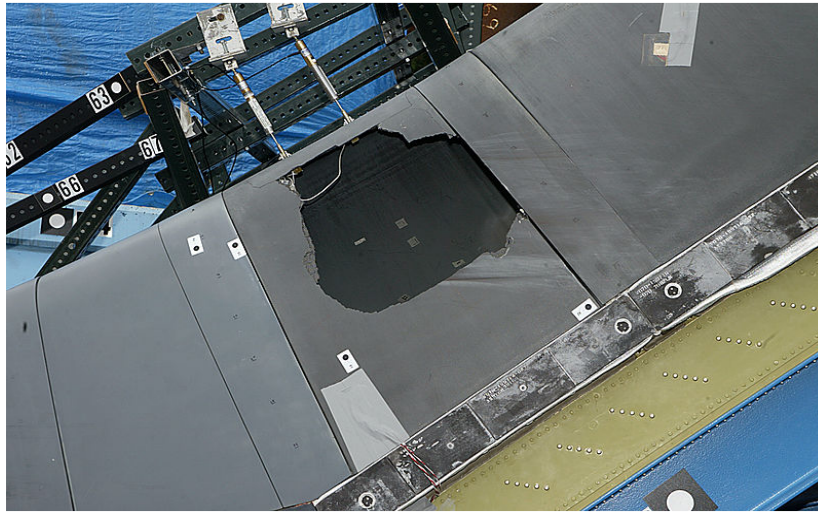
- ❑ High velocity impacts are, no doubt, dangerous but **Low velocity impacts can be equally dangerous.**
- ❑ Low velocity impacts can cause onset of **delamination, fiber breakage or matrix crack**, all insidious failures, that can't be caught by mere external inspection with eyes.
- ❑ Critically depends on relative velocity of bodies to one another.



Applications of oblique impact:

- Practically, impacts are hardly in normal direction i.e. perpendicular to the impact surface. They are mostly oblique. e.g. **Bird-hit problem of aircraft.**
- Any **foreign object colliding with the helmet** of a rider riding bike.
- Any **hailstones impacting** on the roof of a house.
- The **Runway debris impacting** the aircraft wings and fuselage of the aircraft.
- The **collision of two vehicles** whose drivers' efforts of steering away to avoid collision.
- Any **tool drop** during manufacturing, storage and transportation of composites.

Delamination and impact



DELAMINATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH WAVES

Consequence of Misalignment in Large, Composite Structure

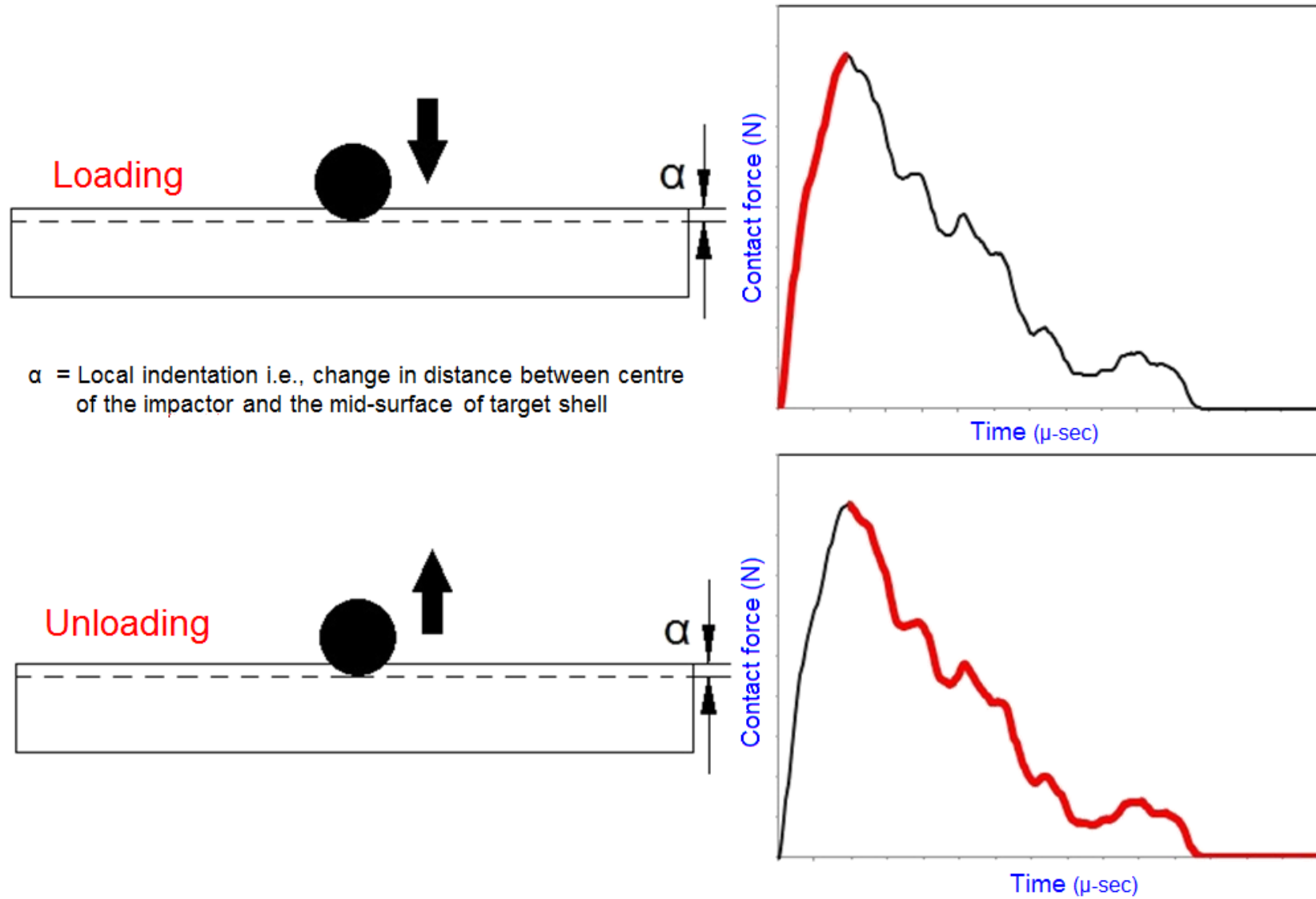
Fig. Damages due to delamination and impact

❑ Delamination is the most common mode of failure for the composite laminates and hence the most feared.

❑ In spite of the whole list of advantages that the composite have on offer, delamination or inter-laminar debonding of the constituent laminae cause degradation of strength and can promote instability.

❑ The fear of delamination can further be compounded by low velocity impact causing severe damage leading to failure.

Contact force





Some existing works

- ❑ Regarding delamination model, two notable works are
 - a) Finite element modelling of laminated plates studied by *Gim (1994) [1]*
 - b) Finite element treatment of the delaminated composite cantilever beam and plates by *Krawczuk (1997) [2]* for free vibration analyses.
- ❑ The impact response of initially stressed composite plates received attention in the investigations by *Sun and Chen (1985) [3]*
- ❑ Transient response of delaminated composite rotating shallow shells subjected to low velocity impact studied by *Karmakar and Kishimoto (2006) [4]*
- ❑ Limited number of investigations have been carried out for laminated composite cantilever conical shells **subjected to low velocity oblique impact.**

[1] Gim C.K., Plate Finite element modelling of laminated plates, *Composite Structures*, 52, 157-168, 1994.

[2] Krawczuk M., Ostachowicz W., Zak A., Dynamics of cracked composite material structures, *Computational Mechanics*, 20, 79-83, 1997.

[3] Sun C.T., Chen J.K., On the impact of initially stressed composite laminates, *Composite Materials*, 19 (1985) 490–504.

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Theoretical formulation

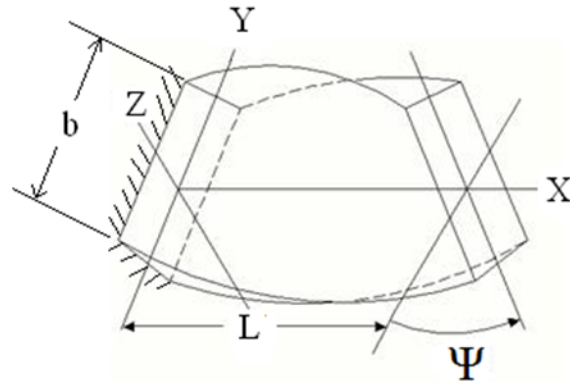


Fig. Pretwisted cantilever Shell panel

where,
 R_x, R_y =radius of curvature in x- and y-direction,
 δ =displacement, $[M]$ =mass matrix,
 $[K]$ =stiffness matrix, $\{F\}$ =Force vector,
 k = contact stiffness, F_c =contact force,
 F_m =maximum contact force,
 m_i =mass of impactor, α =local indentation,
 α_m =maximum indentation during loading,
 α_o =permanent indentation in loading-unloading cycle

- A shallow shell is characterized by its middle surface, defined as

$$z = -\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{x^2}{R_x} + 2 \frac{xy}{R_{xy}} + \frac{y^2}{R_y} \right]$$

- The radius of twist (R_{xy}), length (L) of the shell and twist angle (Ψ) are related by the expression [1]

$$\tan \psi = -\frac{L}{R_{xy}}$$

- Dynamic equilibrium eqn. by Lagrange's eqn.[2],

$$[M] \{ \ddot{\delta} \} + [K] \{ \delta \} = \{ F \}$$

For the impact problem

$$\{ F \} = \{ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \dots F_c \dots 0 \ 0 \ 0 \}^T$$

- Equation of motion of the rigid impactor:

$$m_i \ddot{w}_i + F_c = 0$$

- Contact laws [3]:

$$F_c = k \alpha^{1.5}, \quad 0 \leq \alpha \leq \alpha_m \quad (\text{for loading})$$

$$F_c = F_m \left[\frac{\alpha - \alpha_o}{\alpha_m - \alpha_o} \right]^{5/2} \quad \text{and} \quad F_c = F_m \left[\frac{\alpha - \alpha_o}{\alpha_m - \alpha_o} \right]^{3/2}$$

(for unloading)

(for reloading)

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[2] Karmakar A., Sinha P.K., Failure analysis of laminated composite pretwisted rotating plates, JRPC, 20(14-15), 1326-1357, 2001.

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Multipoint constraints

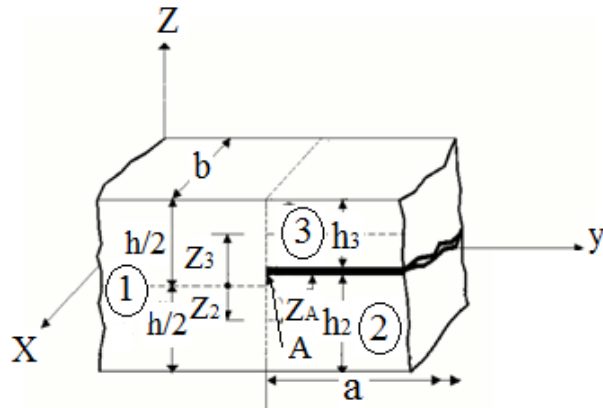


Fig. Delamination crack tip

- The nodal displacements at crack tip expressed as **

$$u_i = u'_j - (z - z'_j) \theta_{xi} \quad v_i = v'_j - (z - z'_j) \theta_{yi} \quad w_i = w'_j \quad (\text{where, } j=2, 3)$$

- Transverse displacements and rotations at common node

$$w_1 = w_2 = w_3 = w$$

$$\theta_{x1} = \theta_{x2} = \theta_{x3} = \theta_x$$

$$\theta_{y1} = \theta_{y2} = \theta_{y3} = \theta_y$$

In-plane displacements of all three elements at crack tip are equal and related as,

$$u'_2 = u'_1 - z'_2 \theta_x \quad u'_3 = u'_1 - z'_3 \theta_x$$

$$v'_2 = v'_1 - z'_2 \theta_y \quad v'_3 = v'_1 - z'_3 \theta_y$$

- Mid-plane strains between elements 2 and 3 are related as, $\{\varepsilon'\}_j = \{\varepsilon'\}_1 + z'_j \{k'\}$

where, $\{\varepsilon'\}$ and $\{k'\}$ are the strain vector and the curvature vector, respectively

- Force and moment resultants are:

$$\{N\}_j = [A]_j \{\varepsilon'\}_1 + (z'_j [A]_j + [B]_j) \{k'\}$$

$$\{M\}_j = [B]_j \{\varepsilon'\}_1 + (z'_j [B]_j + [D]_j) \{k'\}$$

- At delamination front:

$$\{N\} = \{N\}_1 = \{N\}_2 + \{N\}_3$$

$$\{M\} = \{M\}_1 = \{M\}_2 + \{M\}_3 + z'_2 \{N\}_2 + z'_3 \{N\}_3$$

$$\{Q\} = \{Q\}_1 = \{Q\}_2 + \{Q\}_3$$

Newmark's time integration

- In present analysis, equation of motion of the rigid impactor expressed in the iteration form at each time step [1]

$$[\bar{K}] \{\Delta\}_{t+\Delta t}^{i+1} = \frac{\Delta t^2}{4} \{F\}_{t+\Delta t}^i + [M] \{b\}_i$$

where

$$[\bar{K}] = \frac{\Delta t^2}{4} [K] + [M]$$

$$\{b_i\} = \{\Delta\}_t + \Delta t \{\dot{\Delta}\}_t + \frac{\Delta t^2}{4} \{\ddot{\Delta}\}_t$$

- Neglecting the contribution of plate displacements along global x and y directions, the indentation α is given as [2]

$$\alpha(t) = w_i(t) \cos \zeta_i - w_p(x_c, y_c, t) \cos \psi$$

where, ζ_i = oblique impact angle, ψ = twist angle, w_i and w_p are displacement of impactor and target plate displacement along global z direction

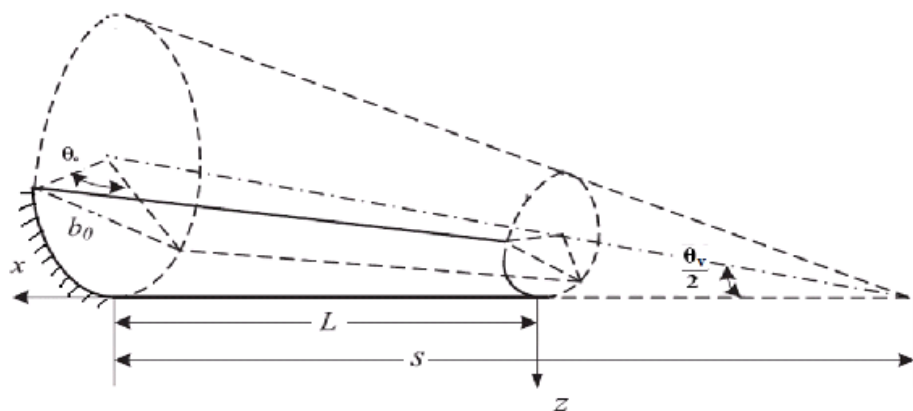
- The components of force at impact point in global directions are given by

$$F_{ix} = 0, \quad F_{iy} = F_C \sin \psi \quad \text{and} \quad F_{iz} = F_C \cos \psi$$

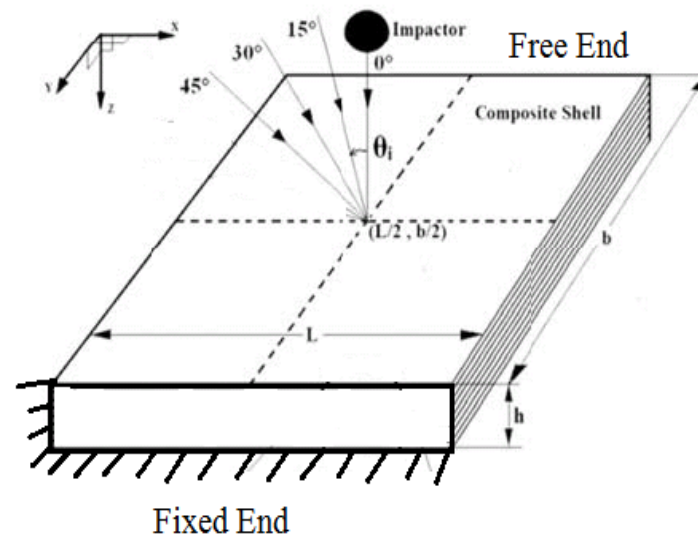
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Present model

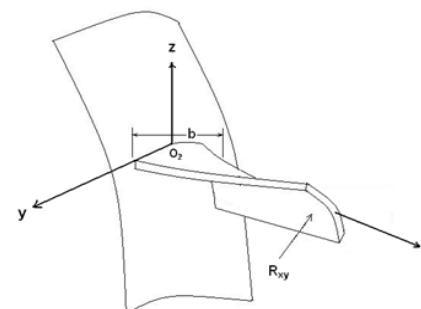
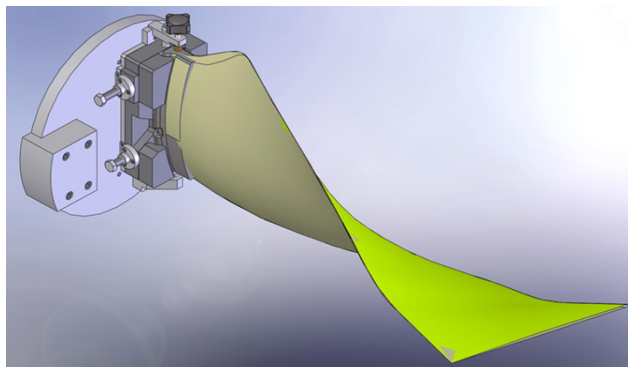


a) Untwisted conical shell model



b) Twisted plate

Fig. Geometry of cantilever shallow conical shell panel



Conical shell geometry

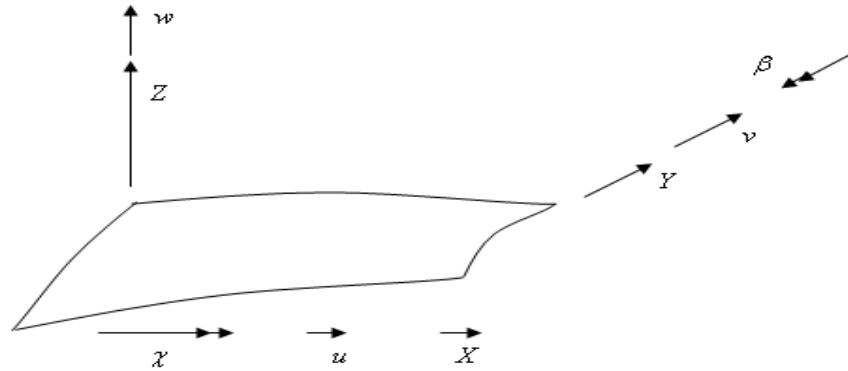


Fig. Conical shell element with degrees of freedom

- ❑ Non-dimensional coordinate system given by

$$\xi = \frac{x}{L} \quad \text{and} \quad \eta = \frac{y}{b_o} \quad (\text{where } b_o = \text{reference width})$$

- ❑ The varying radius of curvature

$$R_y(\xi, \eta) = \frac{\beta_o}{f(\xi, \eta)}$$

- ❑ The function expressed from the geometry of conical shell given by

$$f(\xi, \eta) = \tan(\theta_v/2) \frac{s}{R_y(\xi, \eta)}$$

Scope of present study

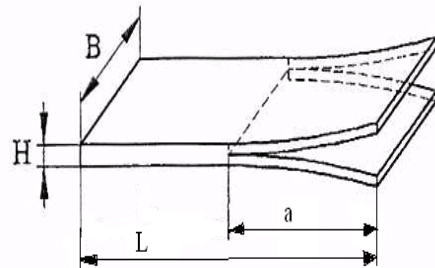
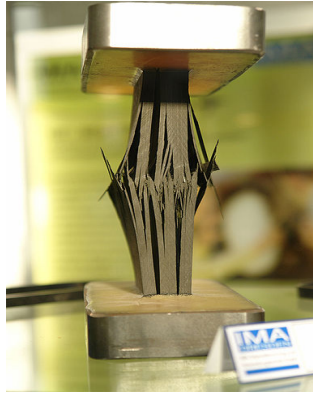


Fig. Delamination

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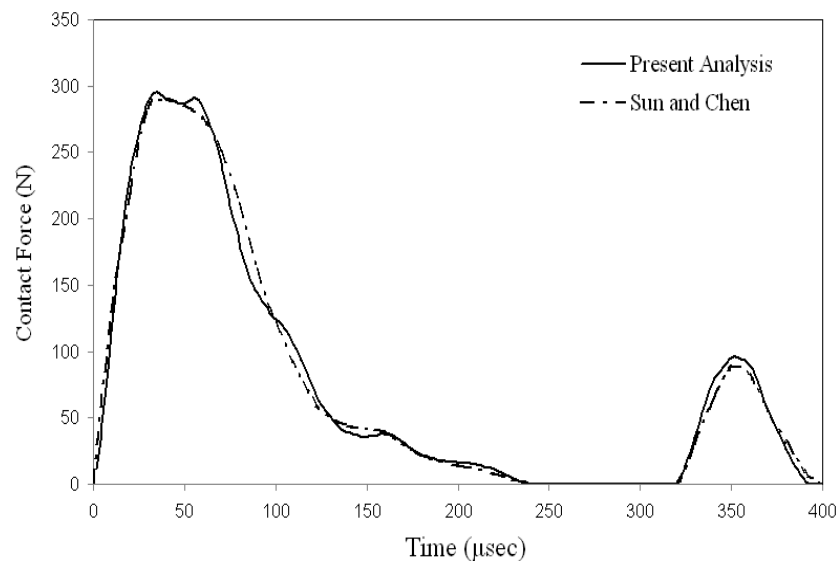
- ❑ Pretwisted conical shells with low aspect ratio can be idealized as turbo-machinery blades.
- ❑ Delamination and oblique impact can degrade the strength and promote instability.
- ❑ Severe cascading effect of damage caused due to:
 - a) Poor through-the-thickness strength
 - b) Susceptibility to high strain rate loading under low velocity impact by foreign objects.
- ❑ Present analyses aimed to study on transient response of pretwisted **torsion-stiff** composite conical shell panel subjected to **low velocity oblique impact**

Low velocity oblique impact and delamination may cause severe structural instability

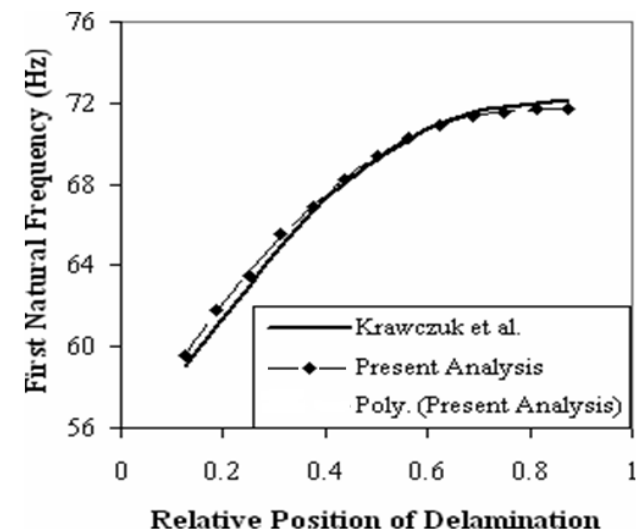
Validation (Special case)

(a) Contact force with respect to time for centrally impacted cross-ply $[[0/90/0/90/0]_S]$ composite plate under simply supported boundary condition, considering laminate dimension 20 cm x 20 cm x 0.269 cm, contact stiffness coefficient $(k)=0.805 \times 10^9 \text{ N/m}^{1.5}$, mass density of impactor $=7.96 \times 10^{-5} \text{ N-sec}^2/\text{cm}^4$, time step $=1.0 \mu\text{-sec}$, $E_1=120 \text{ GPa}$, $E_2=7.9 \text{ GPa}$, $E_i=210 \text{ GPa}$, $G_{12}=G_{23}=G_{13}=5.5 \text{ GPa}$, $\rho=1580 \text{ kg/m}^3$, $\nu_i=\nu_{12}=0.3$, velocity of impactor $=3 \text{ m/s}$

(b) Influence of the relative position of delamination on the first natural frequency of the composite cantilever beam



(a)



(b)

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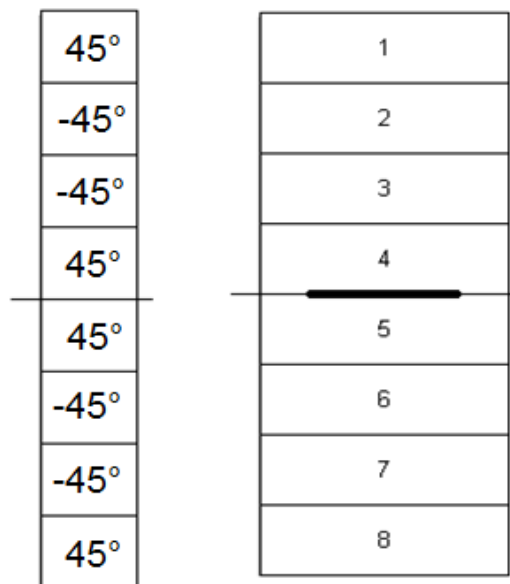
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Laminate configuration

Torsion Stiff (45°/ -45°/ -45°/ 45°)s

Considering eight noded isoparametric quadratic plate bending element with 5 dof for graphite-epoxy composite conical shells with $n=8$, $h=0.005$ m, $\nu=0.3$, $a/L=0.33$, $s/h=1000$, $L/s=0.7$, $\theta_o=45^\circ$, $\theta_v=20^\circ$

Material properties (Graphite-Epoxy)**: $E_1=138.0$ GPa, $E_2=8.96$ GPa, $G_{12}=7.1$ GPa, $G_{13}=7.1$ GPa, $G_{23}=2.84$ GPa, $\nu=0.3$



Where,

n =number of layers

h =thickness of laminate

a = crack length,

L/s =aspect ratio

θ_o =base subtended angle of conical shell panel

θ_v =vertex angle of conical shell panel

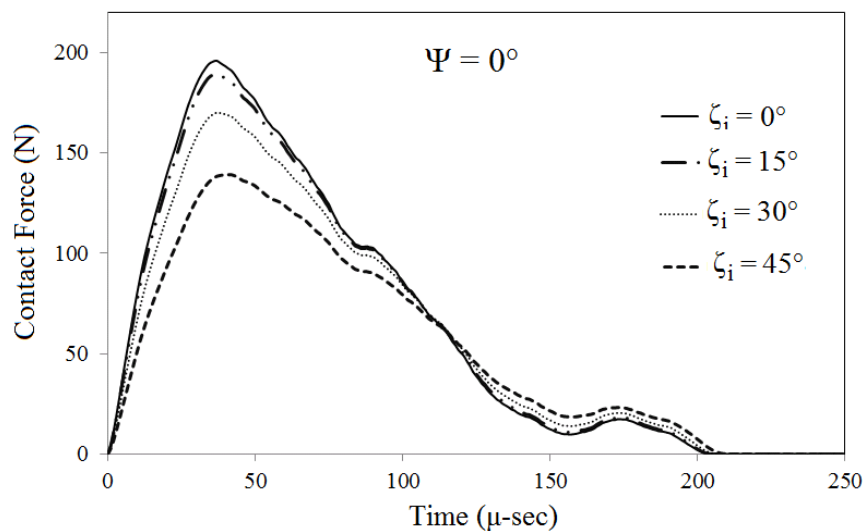
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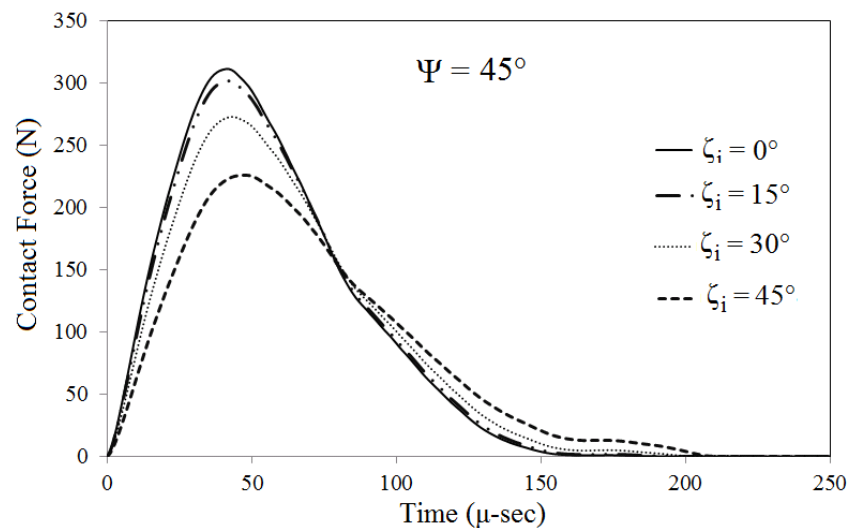


Effect of oblique impact and twist angles

$n=8$, $h=0.005$ m, $\Omega = 0.0$, $a/L=0.33$, $s/h=1000$, $L/s=0.7$, $\theta_o=45^\circ$, $\theta_v = 20^\circ$



Untwisted



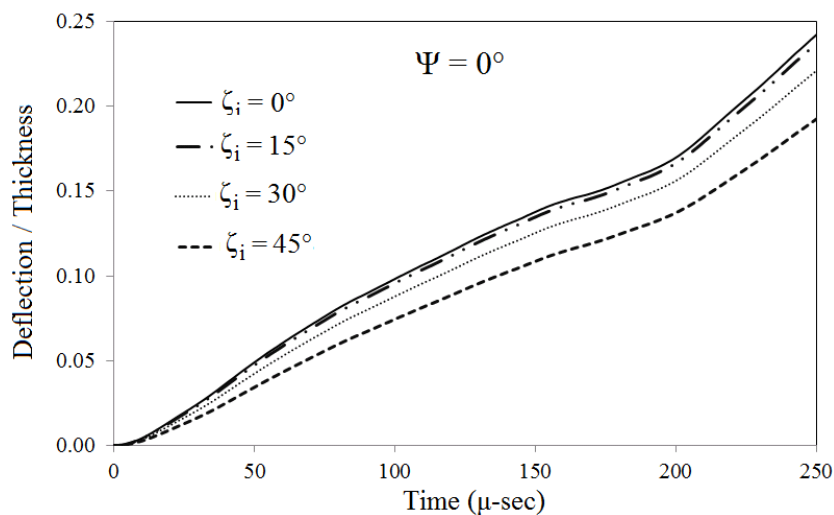
Twisted

❖ Peak Contact Force (PCF) decreases with increase of oblique impact angle

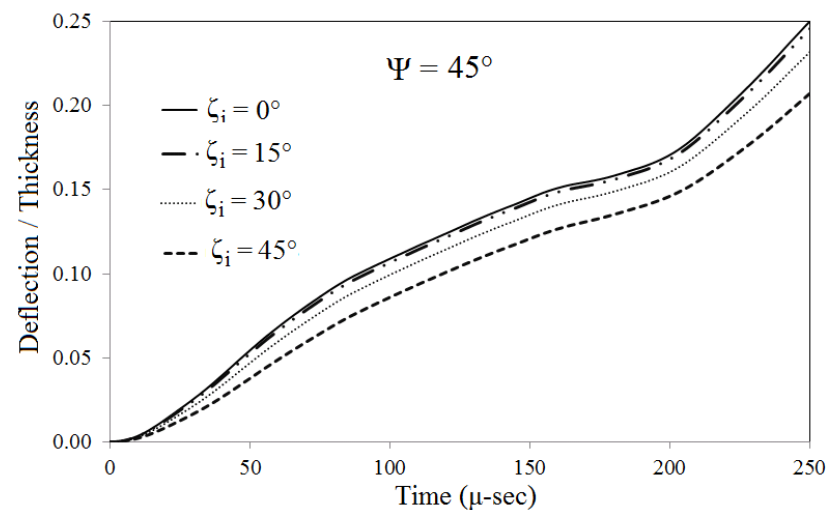
$$\text{❖ } PCF_{\text{twisted}} > PCF_{\text{untwisted}}$$

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Untwisted



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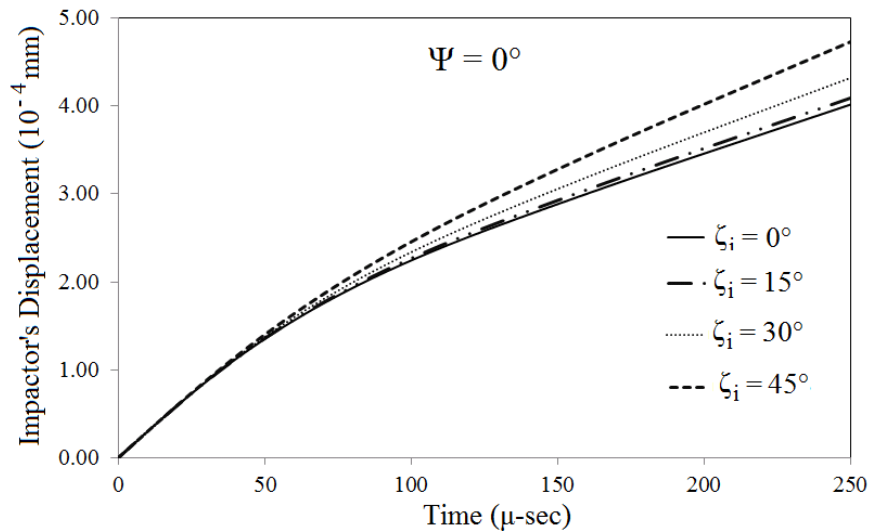
❖ Deflection/Thickness (D/T) decreases with increase of oblique impact angle

$$❖ (D/T)_{\text{twisted}} > (D/T)_{\text{untwisted}}$$

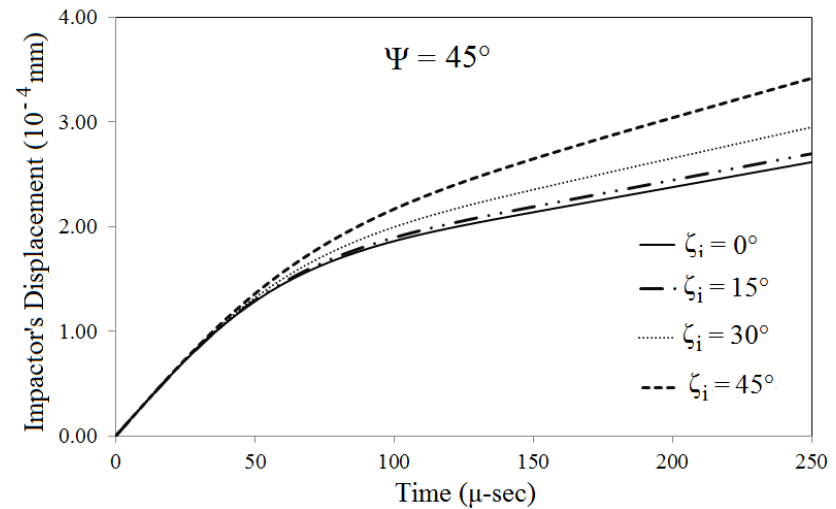


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Untwisted



Twisted

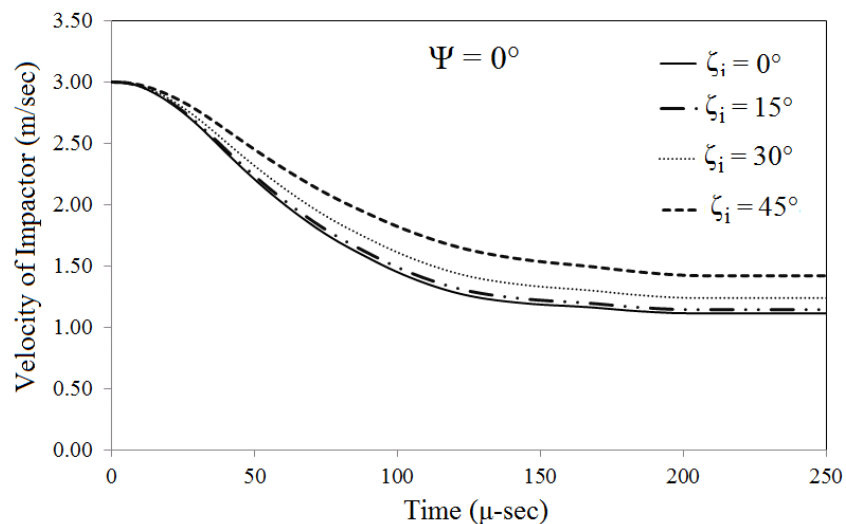
❖ Impactor's Displacement (ID) increases with increase of oblique impact angle

❖ $(ID)_{\text{twisted}} < (ID)_{\text{untwisted}}$

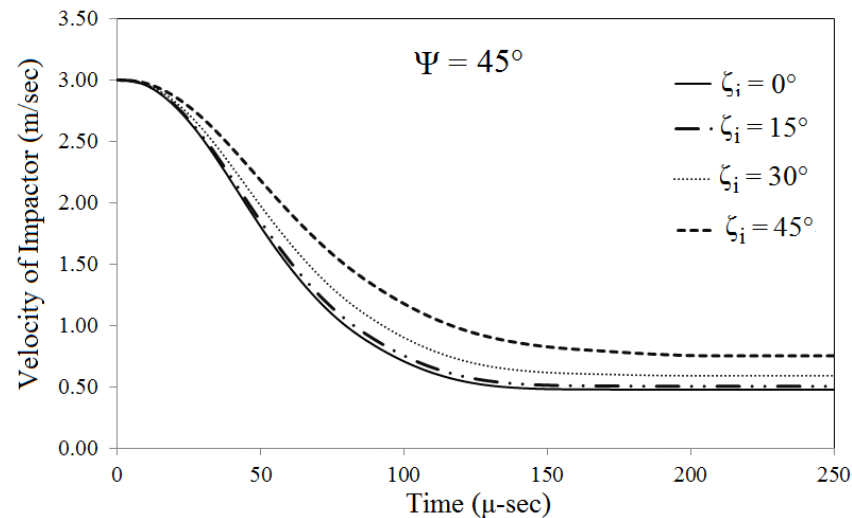


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Untwisted



Twisted

❖ Velocity Of Impactor (VOI) increases with increase of oblique impact angle

❖ $(VOI)_{\text{twisted}} < (VOI)_{\text{untwisted}}$



Conclusions

- ❑ An approach for investigation of the effect of oblique impact on delaminated composite conical shell panel is presented.
- ❑ The developed finite element code is validated with results from open literature both in respect of impact and delamination model.

Summary of numerical results

- Peak value of the contact force increases with the rise of twist angle
- Peak value of the contact force of untwisted case is found lower than that of the twisted one.
- Peak value of the contact force decreases with the increase of the oblique impact angle, irrespective of the twist angle.
- The deflection/thickness of the target shell is found to reduce with the increase of the oblique impact angle.
- The impactor's displacement and velocity of the impactor are found to increase with the increase of the oblique impact angle.