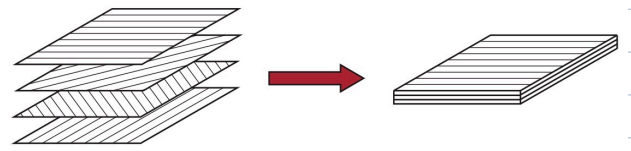


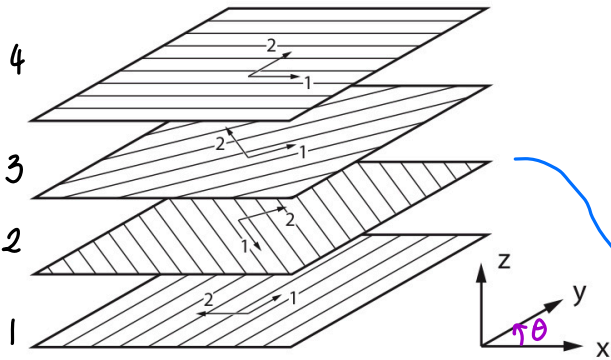
Laminate: combo of multiple laminae

↳ tailored structural properties

- ply material properties and thickness
- ply orientation wrt structural axes
- ply stacking sequence



Layup Notation:

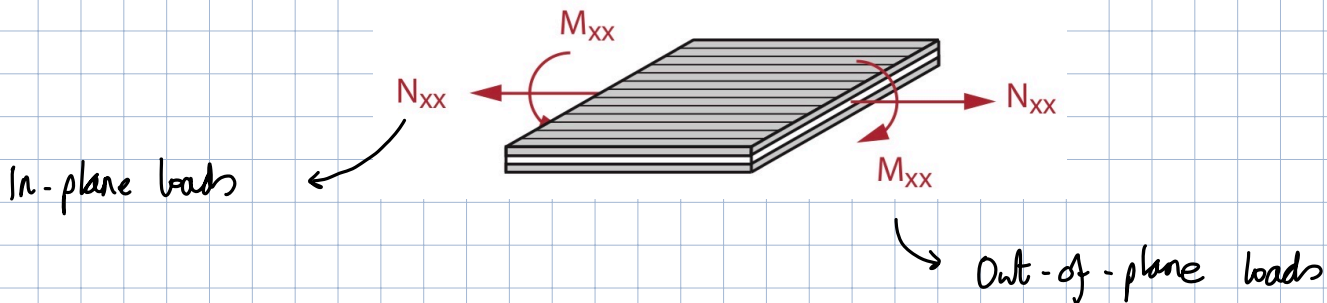


- Ply numbering bottom-up in +ve z
- angle  $\theta$  defines orientation of ply material axes

$[90/-45/45/0]$

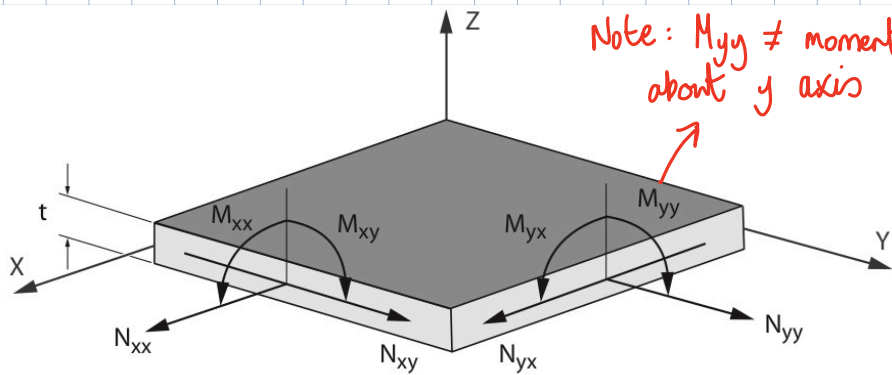
- Repeating angles:  $\theta_n$
- Mirror-symmetry around x-axis:  $\pm$  or  $\bar{\phantom{x}}$
- Mirror-symmetry around mid-plane:  $[0/90/90/0] = [0/90]_s$   
 $[0/90/0] = [0/\bar{90}]_s$

Composite Plate Model:



Assumptions:

- Plys macro. homogeneous & linear-elastic
- Perfectly bonded  $\therefore$  strain continuity
- Each ply in plane stress



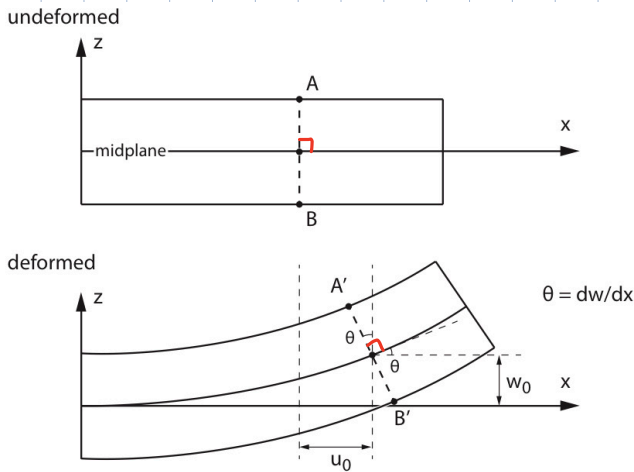
Note:  $M_{yy} \neq$  moment about  $y$  axis

M & N defined per unit length :

$$N = [N/m]$$

$$M = [N]$$

Kirchoff - Love Plate Model : cross-sections remain straight



$\therefore$   $x$  displacement anywhere along line  $A'B'$  :

$$u = u_0 - z \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial x}$$

and in  $y$  :  $v = v_0 - z \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial y}$

$\rightarrow$  Strains (from STM2 expressions) :

strains at any point on the cross-section:

$\rightarrow 0$  : midplane value

$$\begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{xx} \\ \epsilon_{yy} \\ \gamma_{xy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \epsilon_{xx}^0 \\ 0 \\ \epsilon_{yy}^0 \\ 0 \\ \gamma_{xy}^0 \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} \kappa_{xx} \\ \kappa_{yy} \\ \kappa_{xy} \end{bmatrix}$$

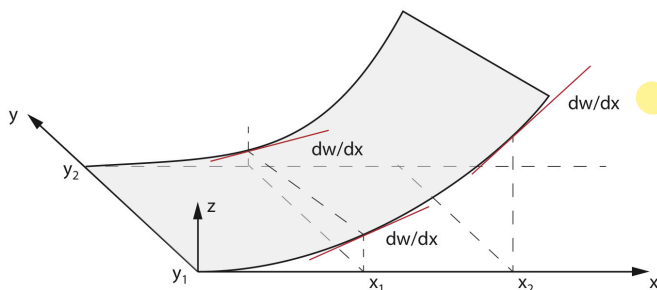
function of midplane strains and curvatures, and distance  $z$

curvatures ( $\kappa_{xx}$ ,  $\kappa_{yy}$ ) and twist ( $\kappa_{xy}$ ):

$$\kappa = \begin{bmatrix} \kappa_{xx} \\ \kappa_{yy} \\ \kappa_{xy} \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} \partial^2 w_0 / \partial x^2 \\ \partial^2 w_0 / \partial y^2 \\ 2\partial^2 w_0 / \partial x \partial y \end{bmatrix}$$

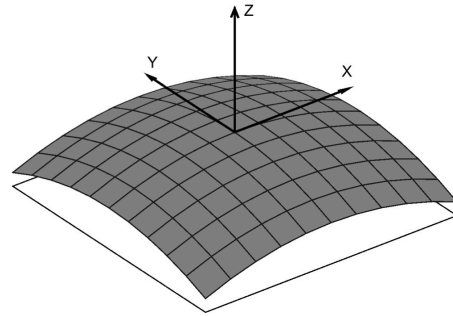
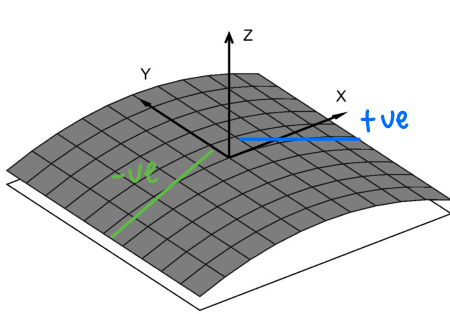
$\kappa_{xx}$  rate of change in slope  $\partial w / \partial x$  with respect to  $x$

$\kappa_{xy}$  rate of change of slope  $\partial w / \partial x$  with respect to  $y$



sign convention means this is -ve curvature

For  $K_{xx}$  sign, imagine walking along  $x$  axis and note change in gradient etc.



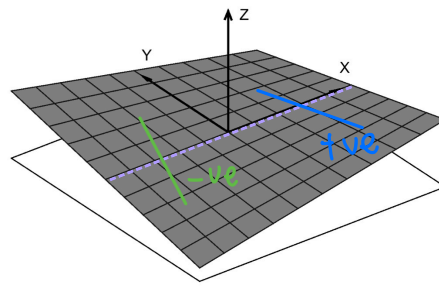
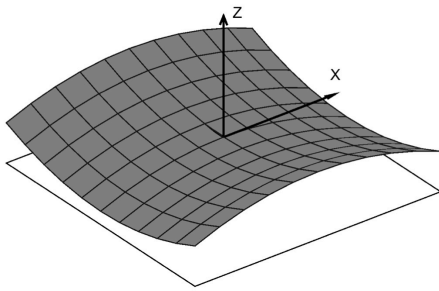
-ve to +ve

$\therefore$

$$\begin{aligned} K_{xxx} &> 0 \\ K_{yy} &= 0 \\ K_{xy} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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↳ walk along  $x$  and note change in  $y$  gradient (lean)

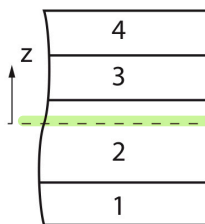


$$\begin{aligned} K_{xxx} &> 0 \\ K_{yy} &< 0 \\ K_{xy} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

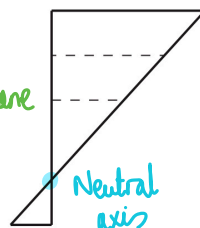
$$\begin{aligned} K_{xxx} &= 0 \\ K_{yy} &= 0 \\ K_{xy} &> 0 \end{aligned}$$

Midplane is NOT necessarily neutral axis

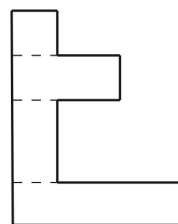
↳ point of 0 strain



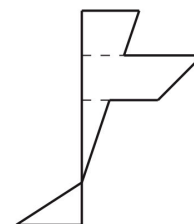
Midplane



strain distribution



lamina stiffness

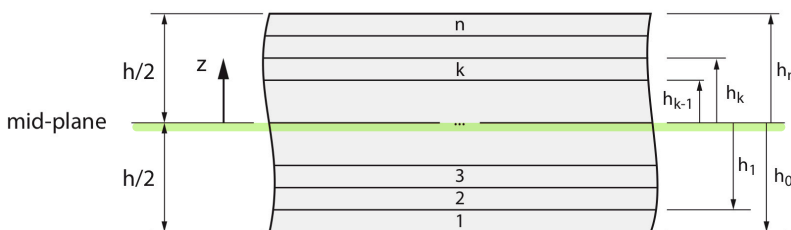


stress distribution

strain through cross-section continuous

stiffness varies per laminae

$\therefore$  stress is discontinuous across cross-section



Laminae labelled bottom-up.

Location  $h_k$  of each ply measured from midplane

Ply thickness  $t_k = h_k - h_{k-1}$

→ each ply assumed to be in plane stress.

	$\epsilon_{xx}^0$	$\epsilon_{yy}^0$	$\gamma_{xy}^0$	$k_{xx}$	$k_{yy}$	$k_{xy}$
$N_{xx}$	$A_{11}$	$A_{12}$	$A_{16}$	$B_{11}$	$B_{12}$	$B_{16}$
$N_{yy}$	$A_{12}$	$A_{22}$	$A_{26}$	$B_{12}$	$B_{22}$	$B_{26}$
$N_{xy}$	$A_{16}$	$A_{26}$	$A_{66}$	$B_{16}$	$B_{26}$	$B_{66}$
$M_{xx}$	$B_{11}$	$B_{12}$	$B_{16}$	$D_{11}$	$D_{12}$	$D_{16}$
$M_{yy}$	$B_{12}$	$B_{22}$	$B_{26}$	$D_{12}$	$D_{22}$	$D_{26}$
$M_{xy}$	$B_{16}$	$B_{26}$	$B_{66}$	$D_{16}$	$D_{26}$	$D_{66}$

- Each element of matrix symmetrical around diagonal as formed by  $\bar{Q}$

Bending moment causes twisting curvature etc.

Twist is when  $xy$  rotation

extensional stiffness matrix

Stack sequence irrelevant

$$A_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n (\bar{Q}_{ij})_k (h_k - h_{k-1})$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n (\bar{Q}_{ij})_k t_k$$

where  $t_k$  is thickness of  $k$ -th ply

coupling stiffness matrix

Stack sequence relevant

$$B_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n (\bar{Q}_{ij})_k (h_k^2 - h_{k-1}^2)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n (\bar{Q}_{ij})_k (h_k - h_{k-1}) \frac{(h_k + h_{k-1})}{2}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n (\bar{Q}_{ij})_k t_k \bar{z}_k$$

where  $\bar{z}_k$  is distance to middle of  $k$ -th ply

bending stiffness matrix

$$D_{ij} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=1}^n (\bar{Q}_{ij})_k (h_k^3 - h_{k-1}^3)$$

$$= \dots$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n (\bar{Q}_{ij})_k \left( \frac{t_k^3}{12} + t_k \bar{z}_k^2 \right)$$

Direct stiffness terms

Coupling - Poisson effects

Extension - shear coupling terms

- In general describes in-plane out-of-plane coupling

Similar concept to A but for bending

→ so for ↑ bending stiffness we want ↑  $|\bar{Q}|$  and those stiff plies far from the midplane

second moment of area of ply :  $t_k^3/12$

parallel axis effect from midplane :  $t_k \bar{z}_k^2$

extension-shear coupling

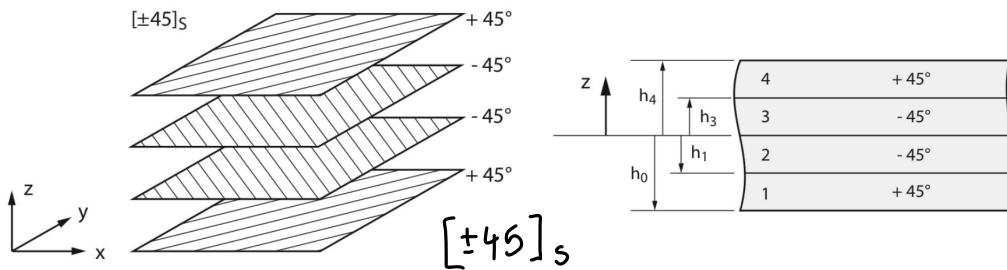
transverse strain  
i.e. Poisson's ratio

extension-bend coupling

$A_{11}$	$A_{12}$	$A_{16}$	$B_{11}$	$B_{12}$	$B_{16}$	extension-twist coupling shear-bend coupling
$A_{12}$	$A_{22}$	$A_{26}$	$B_{12}$	$B_{22}$	$B_{26}$	
$A_{16}$	$A_{26}$	$A_{66}$	$B_{16}$	$B_{26}$	$B_{66}$	shear-twist coupling
$B_{11}$	$B_{12}$	$B_{16}$	$D_{11}$	$D_{12}$	$D_{16}$	transverse curvature i.e. Poisson's ratio
$B_{12}$	$B_{22}$	$B_{26}$	$D_{12}$	$D_{22}$	$D_{26}$	
$B_{16}$	$B_{26}$	$B_{66}$	$D_{16}$	$D_{26}$	$D_{66}$	

in-plane/out-of-plane coupling    bend-twist coupling

Symmetric & Balanced Laminate :  $B_{i,j} = A_{16} = A_{26} = 0$



→ Symmetric :

$$B_{i,j} = 0$$

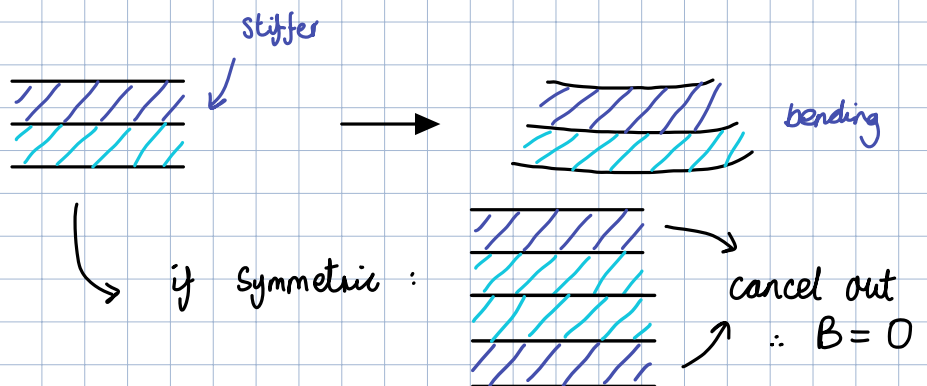
↳ ∴ good for  
manufacture as  
does not bend/warp  
with temp change

Math Explanation :

$$B_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n (\bar{Q}_{i,j})_k (h_k^2 - h_{k-1}^2)$$

↓  
this term = 0  
for symmetric  
∴  $B = 0$

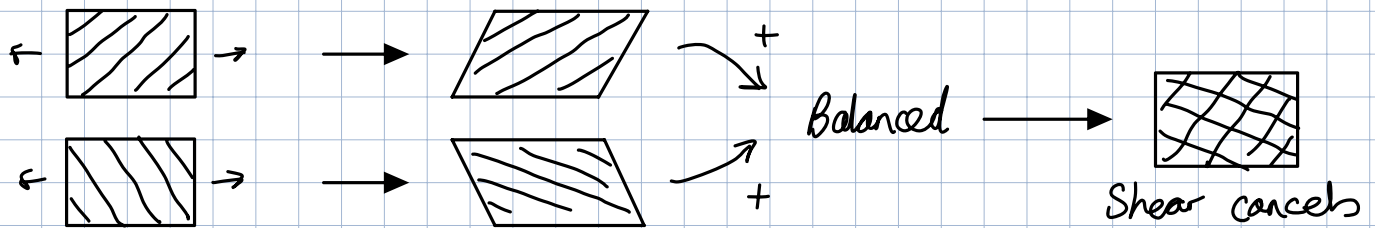
Visual Explanation :



→ **Balanced**: each  $+\theta$  ply balanced by  $-\theta$  ply of equal stiffness & thickness.

$$A_{16} = A_{26} = 0$$

Visual:



Math:

terms  $\bar{Q}_{16}$  and  $\bar{Q}_{26}$  are *odd* functions of  $\theta$

$$\bar{Q}_{16} = (Q_{11} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66}) \sin \theta \cos^3 \theta - (Q_{22} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66}) \cos \theta \sin^3 \theta$$

$$\bar{Q}_{26} = (Q_{11} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66}) \cos \theta \sin^3 \theta - (Q_{22} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66}) \sin \theta \cos^3 \theta$$

therefore:

$$\bar{Q}_{16}(-\theta) = -\bar{Q}_{16}(\theta)$$

$$\bar{Q}_{26}(-\theta) = -\bar{Q}_{26}(\theta)$$

$\therefore$  if one  $+\theta$  & one  $-\theta$  Deg cancel

thus,  $A_{16} = A_{26} = 0$  for a balanced laminate

ABD terms vary with coordinate system (e.g. changing angle):

coordinate transformation (strain and curvature are tensors):

$$A' = T A T^{-1} R^{-1}$$

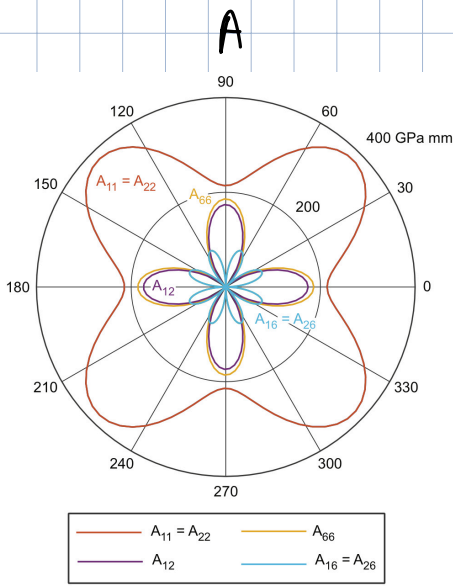
$$B' = T B R T^{-1} R^{-1}$$

$$D' = T D R T^{-1} R^{-1}$$

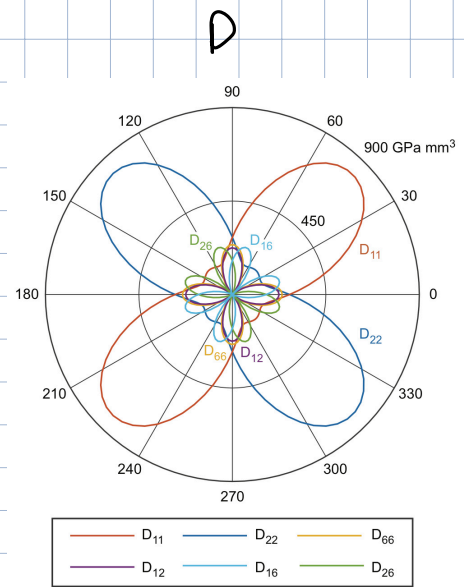
↳ T: transformation matrix for angle  $\theta$

→ Can plot anisotropy of laminate on polar plot:

e.g. for  $[\pm 45]_s$



$$B = 0$$



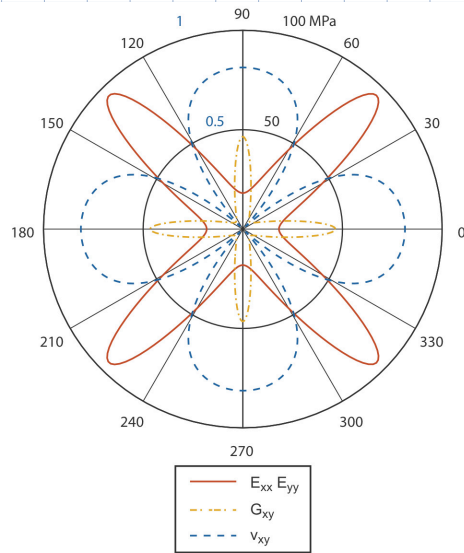
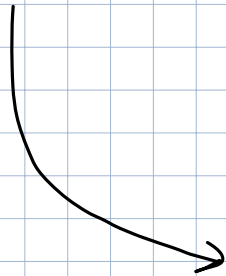
laminates **engineering constants** from compliance matrix  $a \longrightarrow a \neq A^{-1}$

$$E_{xx} = \frac{1}{a_{11}h} \quad E_{yy} = \frac{1}{a_{22}h}$$

$$\nu_{xy} = -\frac{a_{12}}{a_{11}} \quad G_{xy} = \frac{1}{a_{66}h}$$

averaged through-thickness laminate stresses ( $\sigma_{xx}, \sigma_{yy}, \tau_{xy}$ )

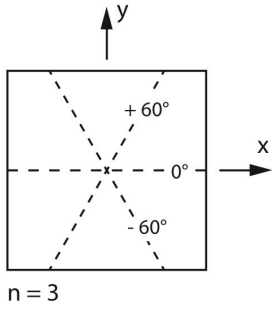
divide in-plane stress resultants ( $N_{xx}, N_{yy}, N_{xy}$ ) by laminate thickness  $h$



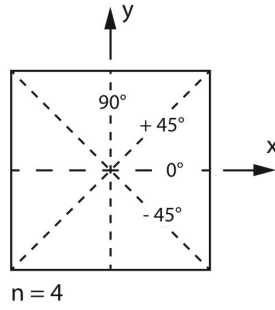
**Quasi-Isotropic Laminate** : isotropic in-plane properties,  $B \neq 0$

$$A_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & 0 \\ A_{12} & A_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{(A_{11}-A_{12})}{2} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{Only } A_{11} \text{ \& } A_{12} \text{ independent}$$

→ Achieved by  $n$  plies of equal  $Q_{ij}$  and  $t$  oriented at equally-spaced angles  $\pi/n$



$[0/\pm 60]$



$[0/\pm 45/90]$

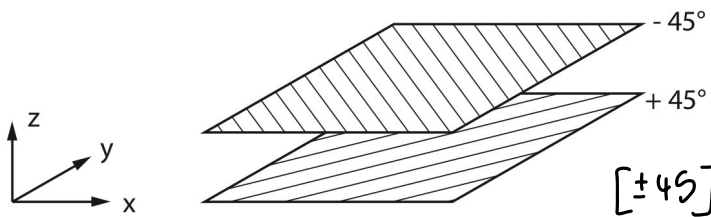
etc.

→ Avg. stiffness of anisotropic laminate = quasi-isotropic stiffness.

↳ Stiffness tailoring:

- Gain in stiffness in one direction balanced by decrease in another
- Quasi-iso laminate provides baseline stiffness

Anti-Symmetric Laminate: each  $+\theta$  ply above midplane balanced by  $-\theta$  below midplane  
↳ ≠ asymmetric



$$A_{16} = A_{26} = 0$$

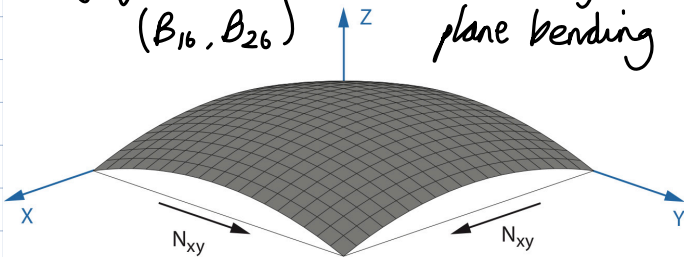
Generally,  $B \neq 0$

$$D_{16} = D_{26} = 0$$

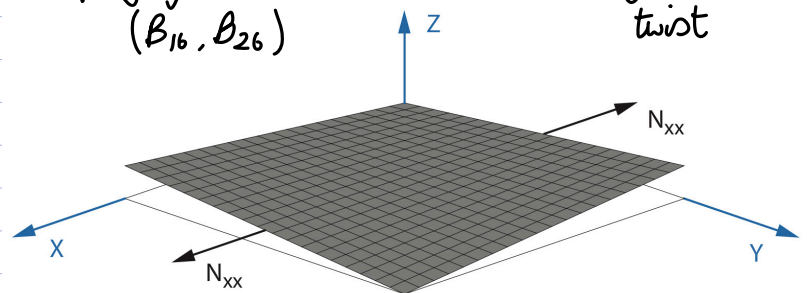
↳ no bend-twist coupling

$$\begin{bmatrix} N_{xx} \\ N_{yy} \\ N_{xy} \\ M_{xx} \\ M_{yy} \\ M_{xy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 & B_{16} \\ A_{12} & A_{22} & 0 & 0 & 0 & B_{26} \\ 0 & 0 & A_{66} & B_{16} & B_{26} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & B_{16} & D_{11} & D_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & B_{26} & D_{12} & D_{22} & 0 \\ B_{16} & B_{26} & 0 & 0 & 0 & D_{66} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{xx}^0 \\ \epsilon_{yy}^0 \\ \gamma_{xy}^0 \\ \kappa_{xx} \\ \kappa_{yy} \\ \kappa_{xy} \end{bmatrix}$$

Coupling of in-plane shear & out-of-plane bending  
( $B_{16}, B_{26}$ )



Coupling of in-plane strain & out-of-plane twist  
( $B_{16}, B_{26}$ )





Two options to achieve  $D_{16} = D_{26} = 0$  :

- Anti-symmetric
- Cross-ply laminate (all layers at  $0^\circ$  &  $90^\circ$ )

**compliance matrix:** calculate strains and curvatures for applied loads

$$\begin{bmatrix} \epsilon^0 \\ \kappa \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} N \\ M \end{bmatrix}$$

general inversion  $(ABD)^{-1}$  done by inverting sub-matrices

MATLAB

>> inv(ABD)

↪ top left quadrant = a, etc.

Composites cured at ↑ temp and as they heat / cool they expand / contract according to their CTE.

anisotropic coefficients of thermal expansion (CTE)  $\alpha_{11}, \alpha_{22}$

$$\epsilon_{11}^T = \alpha_{11} \Delta T$$

$$\epsilon_{22}^T = \alpha_{22} \Delta T$$

→ coefficients different along and transverse to fibres.

$\alpha_{11}$  often orders of magnitude less than  $\alpha_{22}$

CTEs in structural coordinate system:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{xx} \\ \alpha_{yy} \\ \alpha_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{T}^{-1} \mathbf{R}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} \\ \alpha_{22} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

ply strains consists of **mechanical** and **thermal** components

$$\begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{xx} \\ \epsilon_{yy} \\ \gamma_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{xx}^M \\ \epsilon_{yy}^M \\ \gamma_{xy}^M \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{xx}^T \\ \epsilon_{yy}^T \\ \gamma_{xy}^T \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \bar{S}_{11} & \bar{S}_{12} & \bar{S}_{16} \\ \bar{S}_{12} & \bar{S}_{22} & \bar{S}_{26} \\ \bar{S}_{16} & \bar{S}_{26} & \bar{S}_{66} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \\ \tau_{xy} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{xx} \Delta T \\ \alpha_{yy} \Delta T \\ \alpha_{xy} \Delta T \end{pmatrix}$$

inverted for ply stiffness equations

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \\ \tau_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{Q}_{11} & \bar{Q}_{12} & \bar{Q}_{16} \\ \bar{Q}_{12} & \bar{Q}_{22} & \bar{Q}_{26} \\ \bar{Q}_{16} & \bar{Q}_{26} & \bar{Q}_{66} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{xx} - \alpha_{xx} \Delta T \\ \epsilon_{yy} - \alpha_{yy} \Delta T \\ \gamma_{xy} - \alpha_{xy} \Delta T \end{pmatrix}$$

combined into laminate:

$$\begin{bmatrix} N \\ M \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon^0 \\ \kappa \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} N^T \\ M^T \end{bmatrix}$$

↪ effective loads due to temp change

thermal loads and moments: 

$$[N^T] = \sum_{k=1}^n (\bar{Q}_{ij})_k (\alpha)_k (h_k - h_{k-1}) \Delta T$$

$$[M^T] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n (\bar{Q}_{ij})_k (\alpha)_k (h_k^2 - h_{k-1}^2) \Delta T$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{if } B = 0, [M_T] = 0, [N_T] \neq 0$$

Thermal loads may result in residual stresses due to different CTE's of piles.