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Plasticity of sandwich beam with metallic foam core

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Challenges of Energy and Environment

- Energy security and environmental protection have been urgent tasks.
- Weight reduction and energy saving—lightweight and multifunctional structures, e.g. aircraft, spacecraft, speed train, automobile, ship, etc.
- Ultralight and high performance materials in offshore platform, wind power machine, etc.
- New materials and structures: multifunctionality.









Learn from nature: porous materials and structures





A section through human skull



A section through a bird's wing

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Ultra-lightweight porous materials – foams



Open-cell





Ultra-lightweight porous materials – Lattices



Hexagonal honeycomb core



Square honeycomb core



Pyramidal truss core



Kagome core



Characteristics of ultra-lightweight porous materials

- High porosity (>90%), ultra-lightweight
- High strength and ductility
- High crashworthiness
- High strength to weight ratio
- High stiffness to weight ratio
- Effective heat transfer

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Ultra-lightweight multifunctional materials



Yield criterion for lightweight sandwich structures



Fleck and Deshpande, ASME, J. Appl. Mech., 2004, 71:386-401



Yield criterion for monolithic solid cross-section







Yield criterion for ideal sandwich cross-section Yield criterion for monolithic solid cross-section





Distributions of stress and strain

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Yield criterion for sandwich structure



Yield criterion for sandwich structure



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Yield criterion for sandwich structure





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$$\begin{cases} |\overline{m}| + \frac{(\overline{\sigma} + 2\overline{h})^2}{4\overline{\sigma}\overline{h}[1 + \overline{h}/(1 - \varepsilon_c)] + \overline{\sigma}^2} \overline{n}^2 = 1, & 0 \le |\overline{n}| \le \frac{\overline{\sigma}}{\overline{\sigma} + 2\overline{h}} \\ |\overline{m}| + \frac{(\overline{\sigma} + 2\overline{h})(|\overline{m}| - 1) \times [|\overline{n}|(\overline{\sigma} + 2\overline{h}) + 2\overline{h} - \overline{\sigma} + 2(1 - \varepsilon_c)]}{4\overline{h}(1 - \varepsilon_c + \overline{h}) + \overline{\sigma}(1 - \varepsilon_c)} = 0, & \frac{\overline{\sigma}}{\overline{\sigma} + 2\overline{h}} \le |\overline{n}| \le 1 \\ \hline \sigma = \sigma_c / \sigma_f = 0.1 \\ \overline{\sigma} = \sigma_c / \sigma_f = 0.1 \\ \overline{h} = h/c = 0.1 \end{cases}$$

Approximate yield criterion



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Analytic solution for the large deflection of metallic foam core sandwich beam



Initial collapse modes of metallic sandwich beam



Influence of finite deflections





Simply supported and fully clamped sandwich beams





Tagarielli and Fleck, ASME, J. Appl. Mech., 2005. 72: 408-417.



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Sandwich beams with axial restraints





Deformation modes in post-yield regime







Overall deformation of fully clamped sandwich beam



The total extension

$$e = e_1 + e_2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{W_0^2}{L}$$

The angular rotation

$$\psi \cong \frac{W_0}{L}$$

The moment equilibrium equation

$$4M - PL + 2FW_0 = 0$$

According to the associated flow rule

$$\frac{\dot{e}_{1}}{\dot{\psi}} = \frac{\dot{e}_{2}}{\dot{\psi}} = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\bar{h}}{\bar{\sigma}}\right)c|n|, & 0 \le |n| \le \frac{\bar{\sigma}}{\bar{\sigma} + 2\bar{h}} \\ \frac{c}{2}\left[|n|(\bar{\sigma} + 2\bar{h}) - \bar{\sigma} + 1\right], & \frac{\bar{\sigma}}{\bar{\sigma} + 2\bar{h}} \le |n| \le 1 \end{cases}$$

Analytical solution for large deflection

$$\begin{cases} P^{*} = \frac{1}{1-\overline{\alpha}} \left[1 + \frac{\overline{\sigma} \left(1 + 2\overline{h}\right)^{2}}{4\overline{h} \left(1 + \overline{h}\right) + \overline{\sigma}} W_{0}^{*2} \right], & 0 \le W_{0}^{*} \le \frac{1}{\left(1 + 2\overline{h}\right)} \\ P^{*} = \frac{(1 + 2\overline{h}) \left[(1 + 2\overline{h}) (W_{0}^{*2} + 1) + 2(\overline{\sigma} - 1) W_{0}^{*} \right]}{\left[4\overline{h} (1 + \overline{h}) + \overline{\sigma} \right] (1 - \overline{\alpha})}, & \frac{1}{1 + 2\overline{h}} \le W_{0}^{*} \le 1 \\ P^{*} = \frac{2(\overline{\sigma} + 2\overline{h}) \left(1 + 2\overline{h}\right)}{\left[4\overline{h} \left(1 + \overline{h}\right) + \overline{\sigma} \right] (1 - \overline{\alpha})} W_{0}^{*}, & W_{0}^{*} \ge 1 \\ \overline{\sigma} = 1 \underbrace{\overline{\sigma} \to 0}_{P^{*}} = \begin{cases} W_{0}^{*2} + 1, & 0 \le W_{0}^{*} \le 1 \\ 2W_{0}^{*}, & W_{0}^{*} \ge 1 \end{cases} \underbrace{P^{*}}_{0} \ge 1 \end{cases}$$
Monolithic solid beam

Jones, Structural Impact, 1989.



The energy absorption

$$U = \int_{0}^{W_0} P(W_0) \, dW_0$$

Analytical solution for the energy absorption



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Large deflection of pin-supported sandwich beam

Analytical solution for large deflection



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Analytical solution for the energy absorption

$$\begin{cases} U^{*} = \frac{1}{1-\overline{a}} \left[\frac{2\overline{\sigma}(1+2\overline{h})^{2}}{3[4\overline{h}(1+\overline{h})+\overline{\sigma}]} W_{0}^{*3} + \frac{1}{2} W_{0}^{*} \right], \quad 0 \le W_{0}^{*} \le \frac{1}{2(1+2\overline{h})} \\ U^{*} = \frac{(1+2\overline{h})^{2} \left[4(W_{0}^{*3} - W_{0}^{*3})/3 + W_{0}^{*} - W_{0}^{*}/2 \right] + 2(\overline{\sigma} - 1)(1+2\overline{h})(W_{0}^{*2} - W_{0}^{*2}/4)}{2[4\overline{h}(1+\overline{h})+\overline{\sigma}](1-\overline{a})} + \frac{3\overline{h}(1+\overline{h})+\overline{\sigma}}{3(1+2\overline{h})[4\overline{h}(1+\overline{h})+\overline{\sigma}](1-\overline{a})}, \\ \frac{1}{2(1+2\overline{h})} \left[4\overline{h}(1+\overline{h}) + \overline{\sigma} \right](1-\overline{a}) \left(W_{0}^{*2} - \frac{1}{4} \right) + \frac{2\overline{h}(1+2\overline{h})^{2} + \overline{h}(1+\overline{h})(3\overline{\sigma} + 1) + \overline{\sigma}}{3(1+2\overline{h})[4\overline{h}(1+\overline{h}) + \overline{\sigma}](1-\overline{a})}, \quad W_{0}^{*} \ge \frac{1}{2} \\ \overline{\sigma} = 1 \qquad \overline{\sigma} = 0 \\ U^{*} = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{3} W_{0}^{*3} + \frac{1}{2} W_{0}^{*}, \quad 0 \le W_{0}^{*} \le \frac{1}{2} \\ W_{0}^{*2} + \frac{1}{12}, \quad W_{0}^{*} \ge \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \qquad \text{monolithic solid} \\ \text{beam} \end{cases}$$

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Results and Discussion





(Tagarielli and Fleck, 2005)

Comparison of the present analytical solution with experimental results (Tagarielli and Fleck, 2005









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Summary



• Yield criterion for sandwich structures incorporating the effect of core strength

which is valid for the sandwich structures with various core strength and geometries,

can reduce to the well-known one for solid monolithic structures and the classical one for the sandwich structures with weak core, respectively.

- Analytical solutions for the large deflections of fully clamped and simply supported metallic foam core sandwich beams under concentrated load.
- Large-deflection- induced axial force increases the capacity of load-carrying and energy absorption of foam core sandwich beam in post-yield regime.
- Core strength should be considered in analyzing large deflection of sandwich beam with strong core inside.



Thank you very much for your attention

