

Technology Transfer Group: Infrastructure

Rules and Regulations in FRP Infrastructural applications

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Content Presentation

- Current FRP Infrastructural Market
- EU Design Guidance
 - JRC (joint review committee)
 - Usage of guidance notes from other sectors
- National regulations
 - Netherlands: CUR 96 / Edition 2017
 - Italy: CNR-DT 205/2007
 - Germany: BÜV Empfehlung TKB
- Insight in CUR 96 / Ed. 2017

Current FRP infrastructural market

- Growth in European FRP infrastructural market
- Larger more complex FRP civil constructions
- Rules & Regulations (EU) are under development
- Pro-active National parties

Typical infrastructural FRP Structures

- Trusses
 - Profiles
 - (pultrusion)



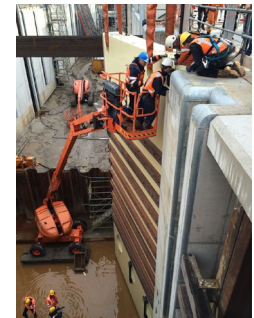
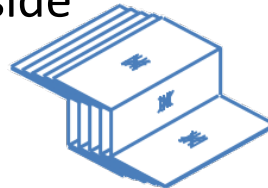
Pontresina bridge by Fiberline

- Monocoque structures
 - Shells
 - Sandwich
 - (infusion)



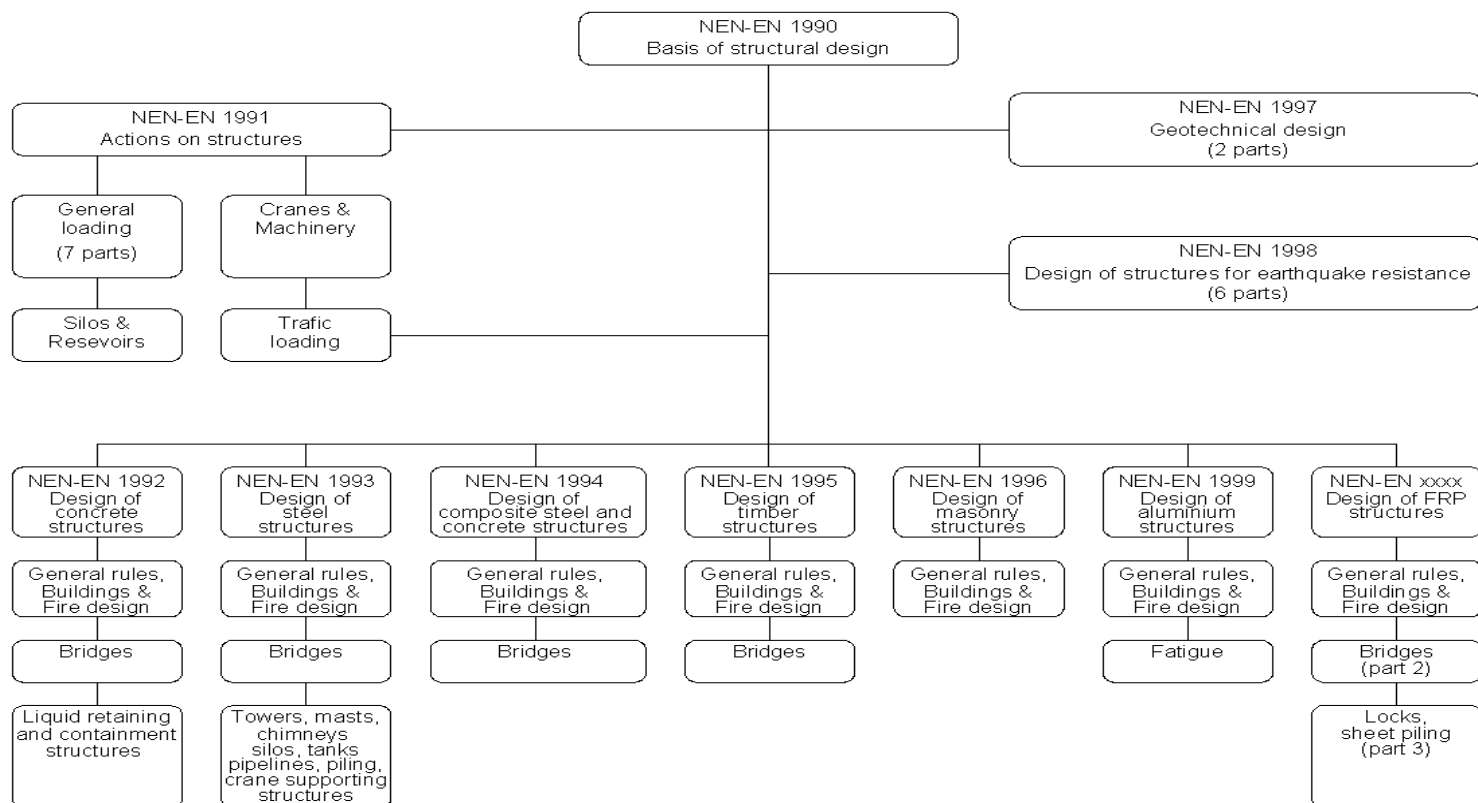
Frederikstadt bridge by FireCo

- Specific structures
 - InfraCore Inside
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EU Design Guidance: Current



EN-19xx

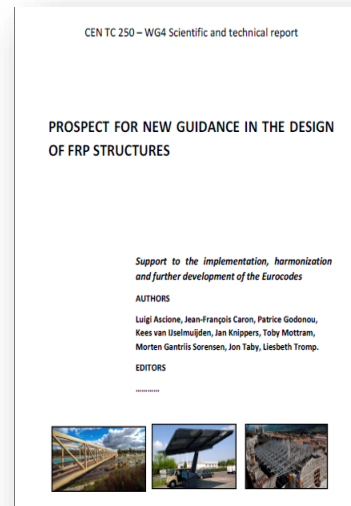
Design of FRP Structures

EU Design Guidance: *under development*

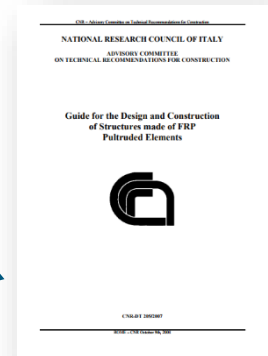
National Notes in European design guidance



CUR96; 2017
FRP in buildings and civil engineering structures



JRC
Prospect for the Design of FRP Structures



CNR-DT 205/2007



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FRP design guidance for infrastructure makes use of FRP experience in other markets



MIL Handbook 17

Analysis methods
Material tests
Building block approach



GL Offshore
Wind Turbines

Fatigue of FRP
Material and
connections



DNV-OS-C501
Offshore Standard

FRP in a marine climate
FRP in fire

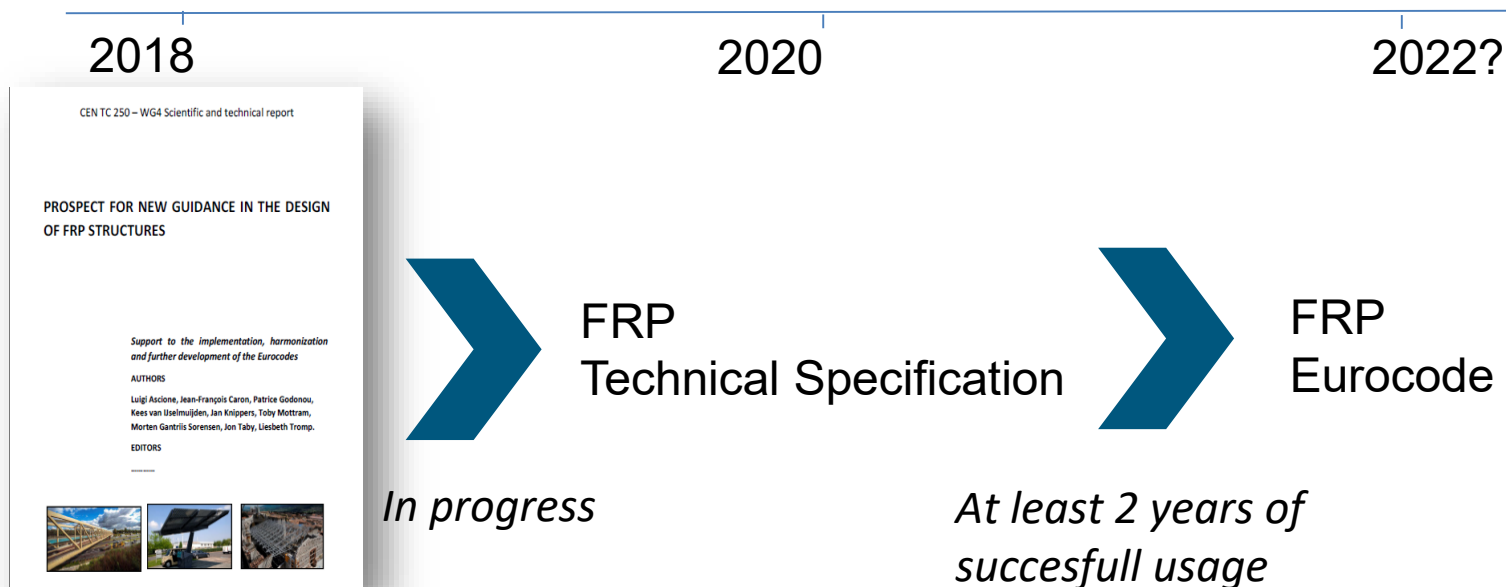


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FRP Pressure vessels

Chemical resistance
Accelerated ageing test

EU Design Guidance: *under development*

European design guidance for FRP: timeline

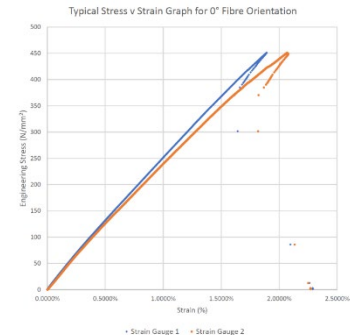
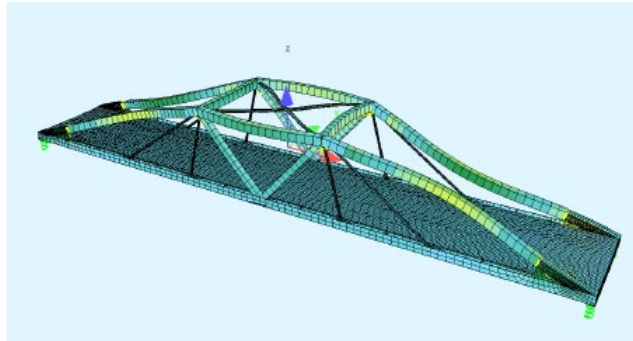


EU Design Guidance: challenges for FRP

- Not 1 material, but wide range of materials
- Fibre orientations
 - Various lay ups
 - Directions with fibers & directions with few or no fibers!
- Influence of quality of resin & production proces
- Reliability of models, many parameters
- In situ composed material => associated suitable quality control system
- Technology development...

EU Design Guidance for FRP

A combination of analytical models and Testing



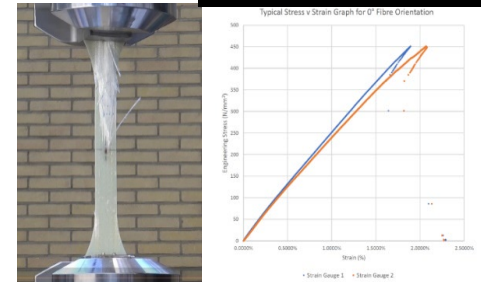
- When no sufficiently reliable theoretical model is available (yet)
 - representative test results from other projects can be used!
- As part of quality control
 - Tensile/bending test (general quality)
 - ILSS (fibre resin compatibility)
 - Glass transition temperature (cure, resin and durability)

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A combination of analytical models and **Testing**

As part of the design

- Determine characteristic mechanical properties
 - Materials
 - Connections
 - Complex phenomena: creep, fire, fatigue after impact, ...



As part of Quality Control & Health Monitoring

- Deflections
- Eigenfrequency

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A combination of analytical models and Testing



Full-scale test Lotharingen bridge, Utrecht. Lightweight Structures and Damsteegt

If the structure is continuously exposed to a service temperature of more than 40 °C combined with water (humidity) the effect of this should be determined by means of tests under these combined conditions.

COMMENT

The combination of elevated temperature and water (humidity) may lead to a more severe degradation of properties than for the individual effects when combined.

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Full scale test:

30 M fatigue cycles 60 tons after serious impact

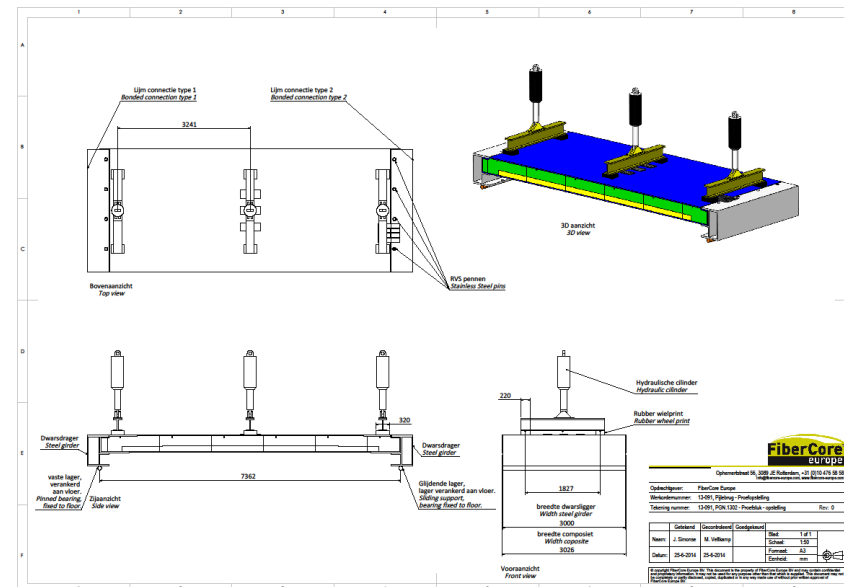
Eurocode InfraCore traffic deck 3m x 7m

No structural damage growth

***Bridge installed
with 50 years of
Future Lifetime,
without repair***

PROVEN TECHNOLOGY

Witnessed by DNV-GL (at WMC & TNO)



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FRP in buildings and civil engineering structures



- **Partial factors**
 - Material factors
 - Conversion factors
- **Material properties**
- **ULS / SLS**
 - Modeling of FRP
 - Design rules
- **Quality control**
 - Protocols
 - Testing
 - Imperfections

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FRP in buildings and civil engineering structures

- Guarantee reliability & Safety (Realistically conservative)
- Generic for market
- Allow for economic design
 - sufficient quality control
- Give direct guidance (Maturing market)
 - Design rules AND Testing: allow for techn. developments
 - Annex J: points of attention to inform inexperienced clients, owners, contractors
 - Comments throughout, to explain relevance of the rule
 - Chapter for details, realization, maintenance & testing
 - Extra component partial material safety factor

**MANY CHALLENGES
HAVE BEEN TACKLED**

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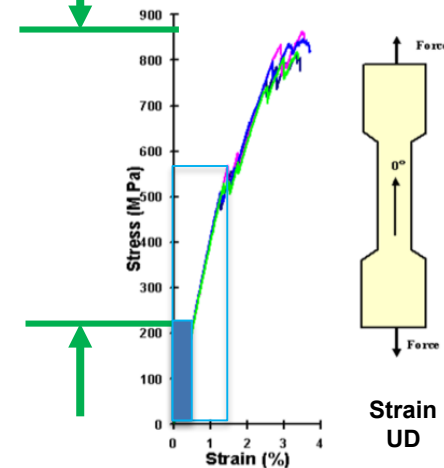
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Design Value vs Characteristic Value

Design value

$$R_d = \frac{\eta_c \cdot R_k}{\gamma_M}$$

Safety Margin



γ_M = material safety factor

(for **scatter of material properties**, ...)

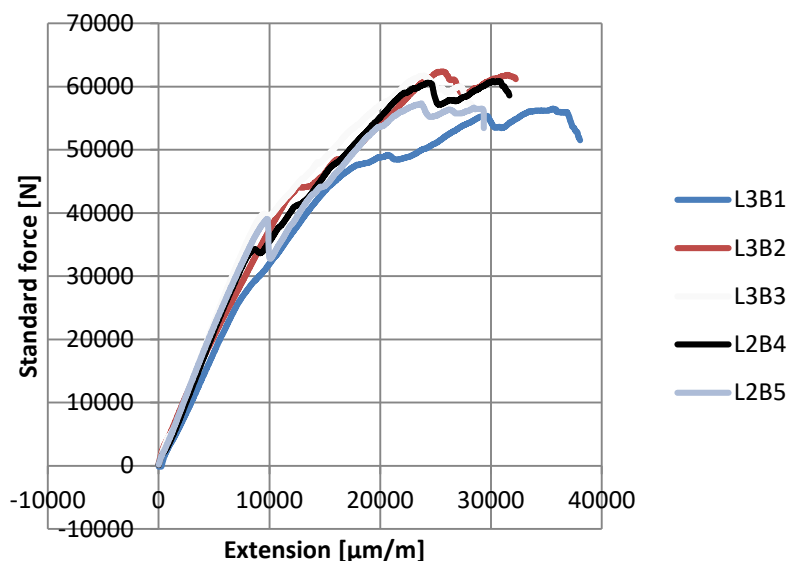
η_c = conversion factor

(for **ageing and climate**)

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Scatter of material properties ~ coefficient of variation



$$V_x = \frac{s_x}{m_x}$$

V_x = coefficient of variation

s_x = standard deviation

m_x = average value

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Partial material factor (CUR96; JRC)

- ☐ γ_{M1} takes into account uncertainties in obtaining the material properties
 - ☐ 1.15 : properties derived from tests
 - ☐ 1.35 : properties derived from theory
 - ☐ (Future: 1.0 when fully mature quality control systems and analytical models)

- ☐ γ_{M2} takes into account uncertainties due to the nature of the constituent parts and the production method (i.e scatter in material properties)

$$\gamma_M = \gamma_{M1} \cdot \gamma_{M2}$$

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Partial material factor " γ_{M2} " ~ V_x and failure mode

Conditions	Ultimate Limit State		
	Strength	Local Stability	Global Stability
Production Process and properties of FRP with $V_x \leq 0,10$	1.2	1.4	1.35
Production Process and properties of FRP with $V_x \leq 0,17$	1.5	2.0	1.50

V_x : coefficient of variation

$\leq 0,10$: pulltrusion, vacuum infusion, ...

$\leq 0,17$: hand lamination

Producer has to demonstrate that the production process meets this requirement

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Conversion factors: simplified method to include climatic influence, long term effects

- Temperature
- Moisture
- Creep
 - Depending on laminate lay up
 - When critical for design to be verified by tests
- Fatigue
 - ONLY for reduction of stiffness
 - Strength effect
 - Life time based on fatigue stress cycles (Miner sommation).

$$\eta_c = \eta_{ct} \cdot \eta_{cm} \cdot \eta_{cv} \cdot \eta_{cf}$$



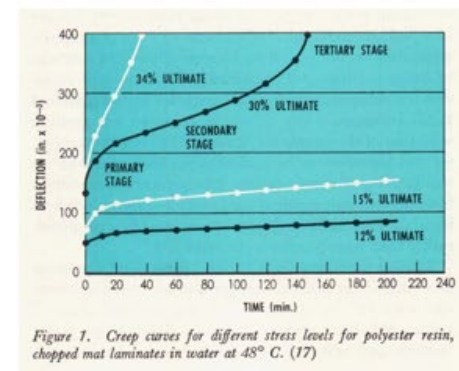
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Conversion factors: simplified method to include climatic influence, long term effects

$$\eta_c = \eta_{ct} \cdot \eta_{cm} \cdot \eta_{cv} \cdot \eta_{cf}$$

- Temperature η_{ct}
 - ULS: 0.9;
 - SLS : 1.0 for $T_d \leq T_g - 40 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$;
0.9 for $T_g - 40 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} < T_d \leq T_g - 20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.
- Moisture η_{cm}
 - 1.0 (dry) - 0.9 (dry/wet) - 0.7 (wet)
- Creep deformations η_{cv}
 - Typical values $\eta_{cv} = 0.4 - 0.8$ (lay up dependent)
 - To be verified by tests when critical for design
 - NB: for strength verification under permanent loads a creep rupture limit applies.
- Fatigue η_{cf}
 - 0.9 (only for stiffness reduction)

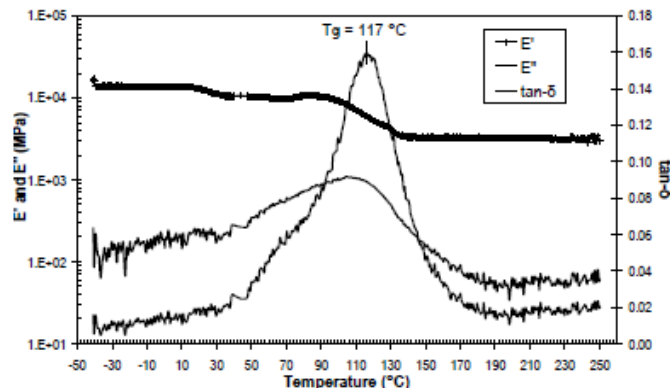


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Glass transition temperature T_g

- T_g = Temperature for which the stiffness of the resin reduces. (transition to *rubber phase*)
- T_g is an important parameter for durability :
 - T_g requirements in resin selection
 - T_g verification as part of quality control
 - High **actual** T_g : lower reduction factors in design!



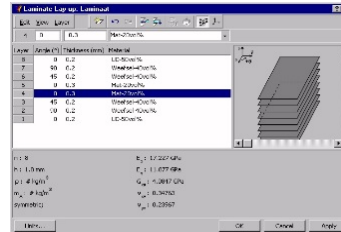
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Chapter 3 Materials: Ply properties (building blocks)

- Fiber and resin properties
- Ply properties:
 - Tabs
 - Formulas (Halpin-Tsai – Manera)
- Laminate properties:
 - Classical laminate theory
 - => software is available



Tabel 3 Norminale waarden voor de stijfheidseigenschappen van een UD-lamel.

V_f	E_1 [GPa]	E_2 [GPa]	G_{12} [GPa]	ν_{12}
40 %	30,8	8,9	2,8	0,30
45 %	34,3	10,0	3,1	0,29
50 %	37,7	11,3	3,5	0,29
55 %	41,1	12,8	3,9	0,28
60 %	44,6	14,6	4,5	0,27
65 %	48,0	16,7	5,1	0,27
70 %	51,4	19,3	6,0	0,26

Reductiefactor UD-stijfheidswaarden (behalve ν_{12}): 0,97

Tabel 4 Norminale waarden voor de stijfheidseigenschappen van (gebalanceerde) weefsel-lamellen.

V_f	E_1 [GPa]	E_2 [GPa]	G_{12} [GPa]	ν_{12}
25 %	13,4	13,4	2,1	0,21
30 %	15,5	15,5	2,3	0,20
35 %	17,6	17,6	2,5	0,20
40 %	19,8	19,8	2,8	0,19
45 %	22,1	22,1	3,1	0,19
50 %	24,5	24,5	3,5	0,19
55 %	27,0	27,0	3,9	0,18

Reductiefactor weefsel(gebalanceerd)-stijfheidswaarden (behalve ν_{12}): 0,93

Toelichting:

Een andere mogelijkheid om de eigenschappen van een weefsel-lamel te bepalen is om het lamel te beschouwen als een symmetrisch 0/90-laminaat van UD-lamellen en volgens de klassieke laminatentheorie te berekenen, waarop dan weer de reductiefactor wordt toegepast.

Tabel 5: Norminale waarden voor de stijfheidseigenschappen van een mat-lamel.

V_f	E_1 [GPa]	E_2 [GPa]	G_{12} [GPa]	ν_{12}
10 %	6,2	6,2	2,3	0,33
12,5 %	6,9	6,9	2,6	0,33
15 %	7,6	7,6	2,9	0,33
17,5 %	8,3	8,3	3,1	0,33
20 %	9,1	9,1	3,4	0,33
25 %	10,6	10,6	4,0	0,33
30 %	12,2	12,2	4,6	0,33

Reductiefactor mat-stijfheidswaarden (behalve ν_{12}): 0,91

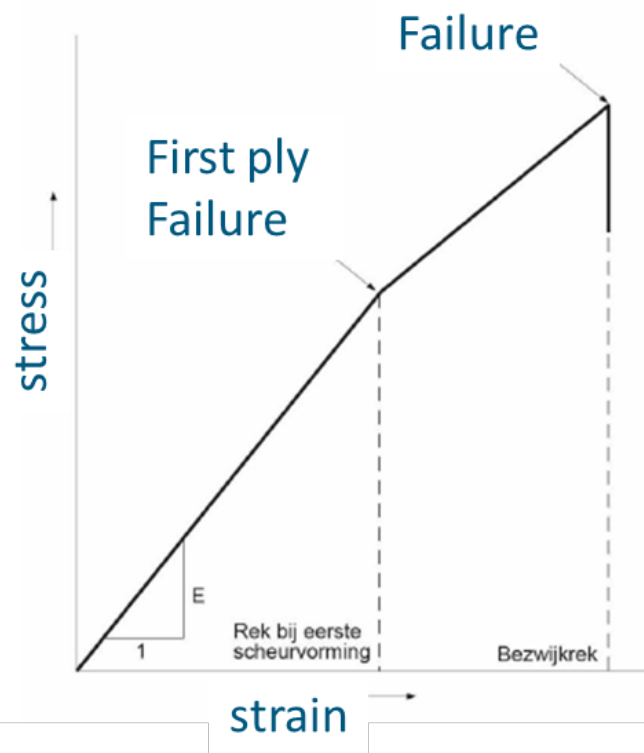
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Design verification on 3 levels

- Profiles: cross section level

- Plates and shells:
 - Ply level
 - Laminate level



- Failure criterion: Ultimate failure

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Chapter 6: Profiles

- Verification on cross sectional level (capacity of profile)
- Common for pultrusion profiles

$$\frac{N_{Ed}}{N_{Rd}} + \frac{M_{Y,Ed}}{M_{Y,Rd}} + \frac{M_{Z,Ed}}{M_{Z,Rd}} + \frac{V_{Y,Ed}}{V_{Y,Rd}} + \frac{V_{Z,Ed}}{V_{Z,Rd}} + \frac{T_{Ed}}{T_{Rd}} \leq 1,0$$

Waarin:

N_{Ed} , $M_{Y,Ed}$ en $M_{Z,Ed}$, $V_{Y,Ed}$, $V_{Z,Ed}$ en T_{Ed}

N_{Rd} , $M_{Y,Rd}$ en $M_{Z,Rd}$, $V_{Y,Rd}$, $V_{Z,Rd}$ en T_{Rd}

Design values of occurring section forces

Design values of section capacity or resistance


- X_{Rd} : smallest capacity including holes and imperfections.
- Also for profiles the verification on laminate or ply level is allowed.

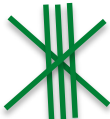
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Chapter 6: Plates and Shells

- Ply level: Tsai Hill





compression

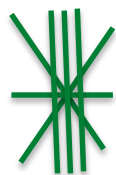
tension

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_{1,t,S}}{\sigma_{1,t,R}} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{\sigma_{1,t,S} \cdot \sigma_{2,t,S}}{\sigma_{1,t,R}^2} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_{2,t,S}}{\sigma_{2,t,R}} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\tau_{12,S}}{\tau_{12,R}} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{\gamma_m \cdot \gamma_f \cdot \gamma_c} \right)^2$$

druk :

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_{1,c,S}}{\sigma_{1,c,R}} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{\sigma_{1,c,S} \cdot \sigma_{2,c,S}}{\sigma_{1,c,R}^2} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_{2,c,S}}{\sigma_{2,c,R}} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\tau_{12,S}}{\tau_{12,R}} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{\gamma_m \cdot \gamma_f \cdot \gamma_c} \right)^2$$

- Laminate level: Simplified Strain Criterion
 - 1.2% strain limit for FRP when min. 12.5% fibre reinforcement in all main directions (0/90/45/-45).



For UNI AXIAL loads:

$$\epsilon_{x,Ed} \leq \frac{\eta_c \cdot 1,2\%}{\gamma_M}$$

$$\epsilon_{y,Ed} \leq \frac{\eta_c \cdot 1,2\%}{\gamma_M}$$

$$\gamma_{xy,Ed} \leq \frac{\eta_c \cdot 1,6\%}{\gamma_M}$$

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Chapter 6: Fatigue

- Fatigue: stiffness reduction => conversion factor
- Fatigue strength: S-N curve
- Fatigue life: $\log(N) = m \cdot \log\left(\frac{\gamma_{Mf} \cdot \gamma_M \cdot \sigma_{\max}}{\eta_c \cdot B}\right)$
 - N= number of cycles
 - m = regression parameter (slope)
- Variable amplitude loads may be considered as a combination of constant amplitude loads using Rainflow counting.

- Miner's rule: $D = \sum_i^M \frac{n_i}{N_i} \leq 1,$

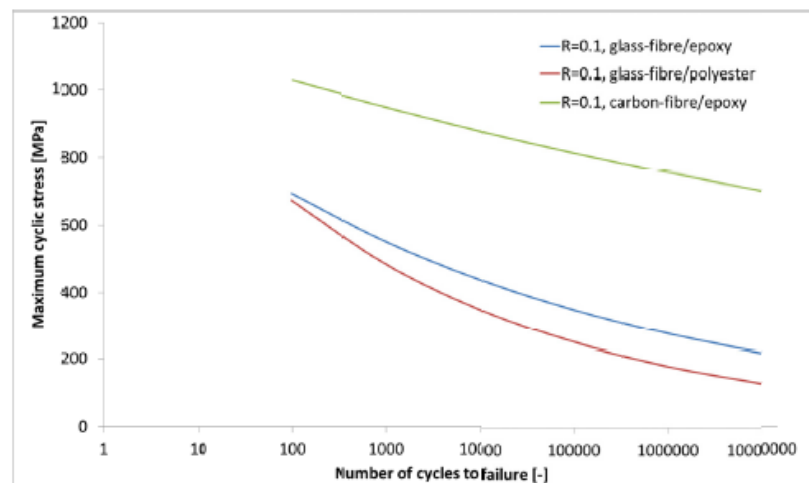
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Chapter 6: Fatigue – Reference values

Table 11.16 - Reference values for regression parameters a and B for UD laminate.

UD non-crimp fabric	Glass/epoxy UD non-crimp fabric	Glass/polyester UD non-crimp fabric	Carbon/epoxy UD non-crimp fabric
	a, B	a, B	a, B
$R = -1$	$-10, 600 \cdot (V_f/0.55)$	$-9, 700 \cdot (V_f/0.55)$	$-15, 900 \cdot (V_f/0.55)$
$R = 0.1$	$-10, 1100 \cdot (V_f/0.55)$	$-7, 1300 \cdot (V_f/0.55)$	$-30, 1200 \cdot (V_f/0.55)$
$R = 10$	$-18, 750 \cdot (V_f/0.55)$	-	-



$$\log(N) = m \cdot \log\left(\frac{\gamma_{Mf} \cdot \gamma_M \cdot \sigma_{\max}}{\eta_c \cdot B}\right)$$

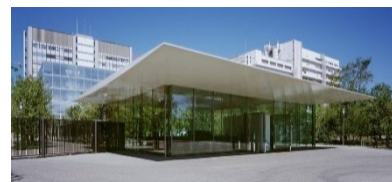
Figure 11.1 - S-N curves for a number of materials, V_f 55%, $R = 0.1$.

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Chapter 7: Serviceability Limit State design

- SLS deals with the **functionality** and **durability** of the structure
- Deformation due to variable load
=> a measure for the response
- Deformation due to permanent load (creep)
=> water ponding, sagging
- Design guidance is generic
=> Client specifications are necessary!
- SLS requirements (deflection or comfort) are determining for FRP design => materials, costs , environmental impact



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Chapter 10 / Annexes Quality checks

- Material checks
- Qualified personnel
 - FRP Supervisor at relevant activities
 - Executing personnel
 - Training / instruction protocols to be provided
- QA- factory protocols
 - aspects to be addressed in QA protocols
 - Future: look at Class work shop certificates
- project specific:
 - FAT tests (project specific)
 - SAT tests (measurement of deflection and response as built: e.g. reference for health monitoring)
 - Optional: monitoring by structural health monitoring technology

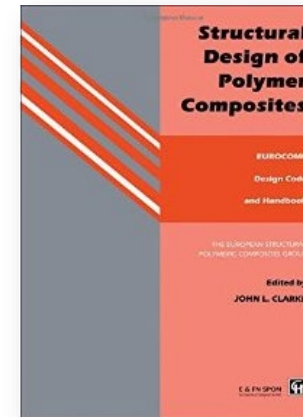
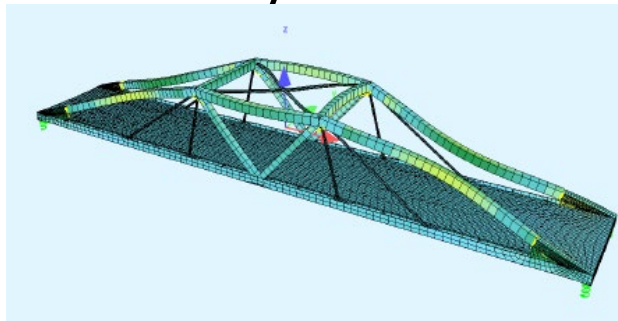
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Annex J: points of attention to educate inexperienced clients, owners, contractors

Design rules, Testing & Attention for FRP critical aspects!

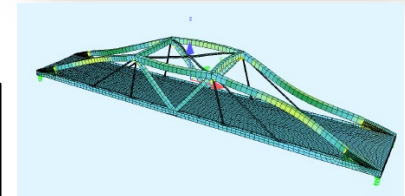
FRP: ready for use!



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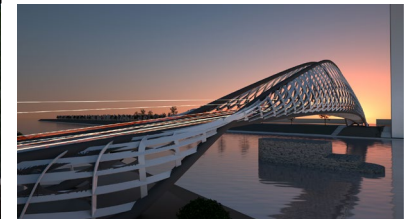
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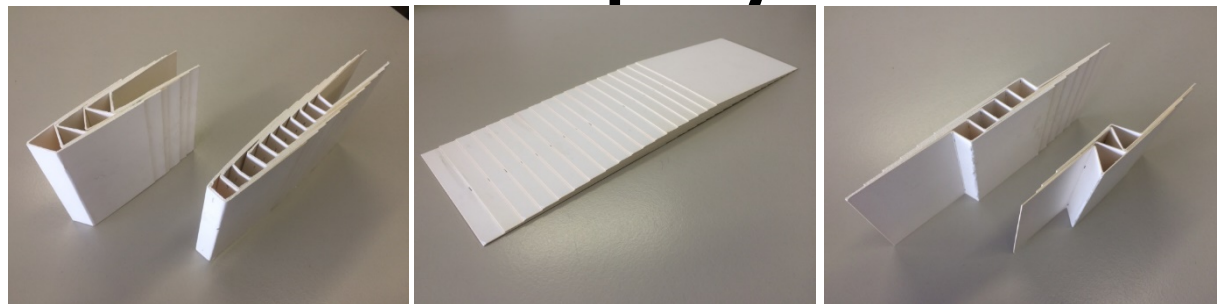
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