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TPS Certification by Analysis: Model-Driven Characterization of Properties and Failure in Woven Thermal Protection Systems

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Woven thermal protection systems (TPS)



Heat Shield for Extreme Entry Environment Technology (HEEET)



Adaptable Deployable Entry and Placement Technology (ADEPT)



3D Woven Mid-Density Carbon Phenolic (3MDCP):

- Derived from HEEET insulation layer
- Mars Sample Return Earth Entry System (MSR-EES)



D Ellerby et al, MS&T, 2019 • A Vanaerschot et al, Composite Structures, 2017, 173, 44-52



- Modeling approaches for woven TPS properties
 - o Yarn-level Approach
 - Fiber-level Approach
- Highlights of other TPS Certification by Analysis efforts





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Certification by analysis of woven TPS materials

Entry Systems Modeling (ESM) project – TPS Certification by Analysis efforts:

- > Computational tools, models, and analysis to support certification of woven TPS materials
- > Focus on influence of material variability, defects, and impacts on properties and performance



Weave features or defects





SY Park et al, Advanced Composite Materials: Properties and Applications, 2017 • BJ Libben et al, First International Orbital Debris Conference, 2019

TPS Certification by Analysis efforts and team





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Modeling approaches for weaves with varying fidelity



LAMMPS, github.com/lammps/lammps • PuMA, github.com/nasa/puma • NASMAT, software.nasa.gov/software/LEW-20244-1

Generation of yarn-level models: artificial weaves

Sander Visser

- "Artificial" weave models constructed based only on the ideal weave pattern
- Nuances of weave structure may not be captured fully







Final artificial weave model



Generation of yarn-level models: segmented weaves (hand)



A Vanaerschot et al, Composite Structures, 2017, 173, 44-52

Generation of yarn-level models: segmented weaves (machine learning)





A Allred et al, arXiv preprint arXiv:2202.01265, 2022 • Detectron2, github.com/facebookresearch/detectron2

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Yarn-level analysis of composite mechanical properties

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S Fraile Izquierdo et al, AIAA SciTech Forum, 2022 • TexGen, github.com/louisepb/TexGen • PuMA, github.com/nasa/puma

Sergio Fraile Izquierdo



• Fiber-level models can be generated from yarn-level artificial or CT-based weave models



Lauren Abbott

Detailed models with explicit fiber representation



Sander Visser, Andrew Santos





In-house code



LAMMPS



- Contact elasticity, viscosity, cohesion, friction
- Bonded stretch, bend, twist, shear, rupture

LAMMPS, github.com/lammps/lammps



LAMMPS

Fiber-level analysis of weave mechanical properties

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*Initial model does not consider matrix

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Other TPS Certification by Analysis activities



Phenolic Property Calculations





Impact Simulations



Progressive Damage Simulations



Ablation Simulations



Computational Nondestructive Evaluation



Fault Detection



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