Charakterisierungsversuche und Parameterbestimmung für die Kohäsivzonenmodellierung von Polyurethan-Klebverbindungen

Knowledge for Tomorrow

Characterization tests and parameter determination to model polyurethane adhesive bonds with cohesive elements

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1. DLR-Project "Next Generation Car"



Technologies, methods and tools for integrated development of road vehicles of tomorrow



2. Adhesive joining in the automotive manufacturing



- Epoxy-based (EP)
- high stiffness
- elastic-plastic
- before painting of car body
- layer thickness 0.1-0.5 mm

- Polyurethane-based (PU)
- flexible
- hyper-elastic
- after painting of car body
- layer thickness 1-5 mm
- reduction of Δα-caused stress
 - semi-structural application

Figure reference: www.adhesivesmag.com

3. Simulation methods: Modelling approaches (for EP-bonds)

Continuum mechanics



- Volume elements
- Multi-axial stress state
- Many model parameters

Fracture mechanics



- Cohesive elements
- Mode-I & Mode-II; decoupled
- Fewer model parameters





3. Simulation methods: Cohesive zone modelling







Required model parameters:

- Young's modulus \rightarrow stiffness E_n
- shear modulus → stiffness E_t
- failure strength **T** (tensile)
- failure strength **S** (shear)
- energy release rate **G_{IC}** (Mode-I)
- energy release rate G_{IIC} (Mode-II)

These 6 parameters have to be determined for a relevant range of strain rates from suitable material characterization tests.

4. Tests for material characterization: EP-bonds – state of the art



The shown 4 specimen have been identified as a suitable state of the art testing program for the characterization of EP bonds.



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Adhesive: Sikaflex UHM (1-K-PU)



4. Tests for material characterization: TDCB



testing setup - high-speed testing machine



35 quasi-static + dynamic 1 30 25 20 **C^{IC} [k1/m²]** 15 • 10 5 0 0,01 0,1 1 10 100 1000 strain rate [1/s]

The PU adhesive shows "slipstick" crack growth behavior in the quasi-static test. The cyclic quasi-static test is necessary to determine the elastic energy of the adherends.

The PU adhesive shows highly strain rate dependent material behavior.

 G_{IC} is determined by correlating the fracture energy (integration of the force-displacement curve) with the optically measured crack propagation.

High-speed camera picture





4. Tests for material characterization: PU-bonds – DLR approach



Adhesive: Sikaflex UHM (1-K-PU)



4. Tests for material characterization: TDCB-II



Testing setup - high-speed testing machine



High-speed camera picture



Also for the mode-III loaded specimen the PU adhesive shows strain rate dependent material behavior.

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4. Tests for material characterization: Cylinder Butt Joint Thick Adherend Shear Joint



tensile strength [MPa]

5. Modelling of PU-bonds: Parameter determination Mode-I



TDCB - energy release rate $G_{IC}(\dot{\epsilon})$

Cylinder Butt Joint - tensile strength $T(\hat{\epsilon})$

Parameter set for Mode-I has been optimized!

For the strain rate dependent normal stiffness E_n there is no function available in the material card MAT_240.

5. Modelling of PU-bonds: Parameter determination Mode-II



TDCB-II - energy release rate G_{IIC}(*i*)

Thick Adherend Shear Joint - shear strength $S(\dot{\epsilon})$

Parameter set for Mode-II has been optimized!

For the strain rate dependent shear stiffness E_t there is no function available in the material card MAT_240.

5. Modelling of PU-bonds: TDCB and TDCB-II verification



TDCB and TDCB-II tests at various strain rates <u>cannot</u> be modelled with <u>one parameter setup</u> for MAT_240!



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TDCB and TDCB-II tests at various strain rates <u>could</u> be modelled with <u>one parameter setup</u> for MAT_240, if the shear stiffness E_t could be adjusted with strain rate!



6. Conclusion



The chosen 1-K-PU adhesive can be modeled succesfully with cohesive elements

- for the investigated load cases
- for the investigated range of strain rates
- for the option that strain rate dependant shear stiffness can be considered



Thanks for your attention!



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