

Predictions of ABD matrices and 3D effective properties of composite laminates

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Let the material properties a lamina (AS4 3501-6) be: $E_{11}=126$ GPA, $E_{22}=11$ GPA, $\nu_{12}=0.28$, $\nu_{23}=0.4$, $G_{12}=6.6$ GPa, $G_{23}=3.928$ GPa.

“Soden, P. D., Hinton M. J. and Kaddour, A. S., Lamina properties, lay-up configurations and loading conditions for a range of fibre reinforced composite laminates. Compos. Sci. Technol., 1998, 58(7), 1011”

Laminate lay-up: $[0/90/\pm 45]_{2s}$

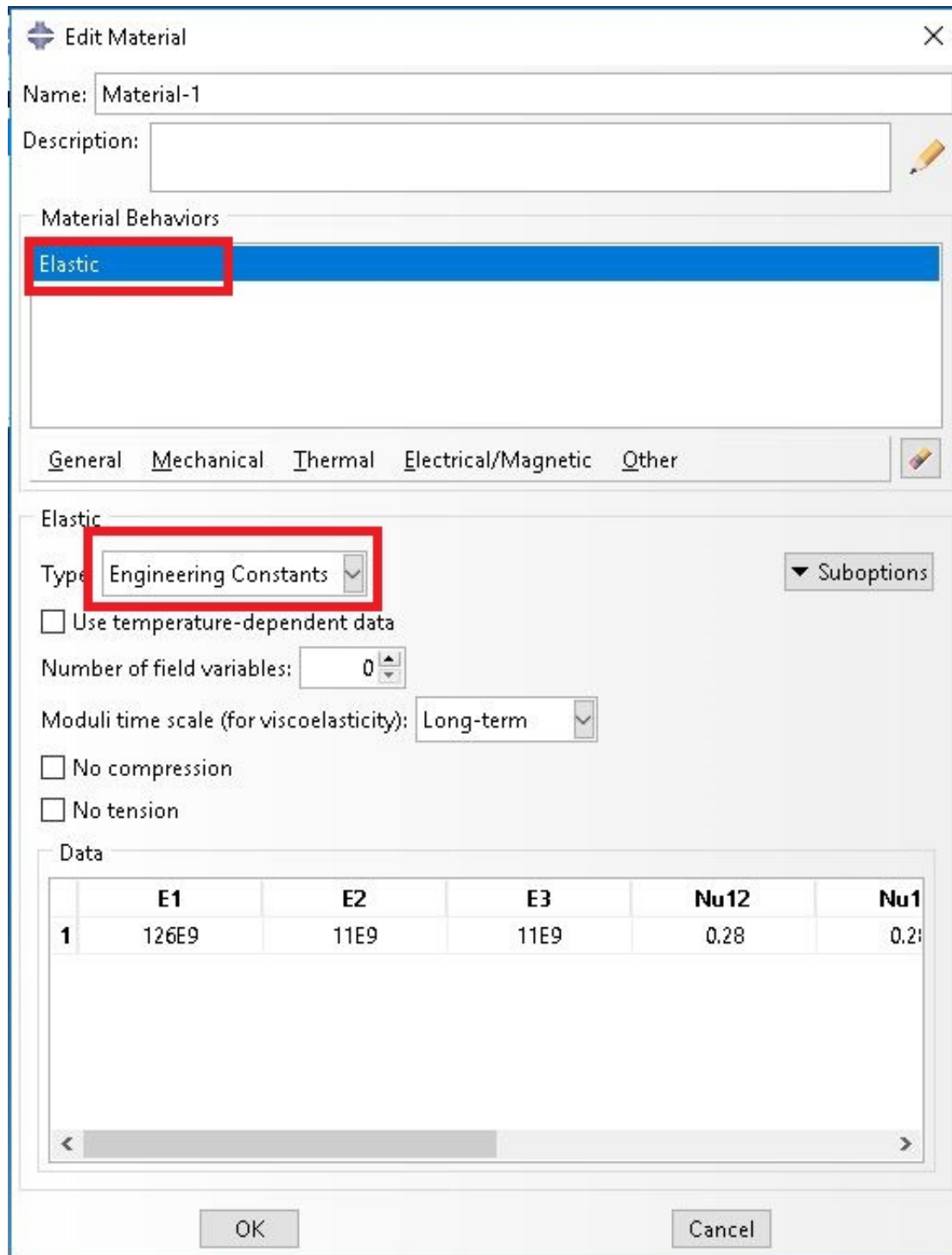
Thickness = 0.25mm.

The youtube video of this problem can be obtained

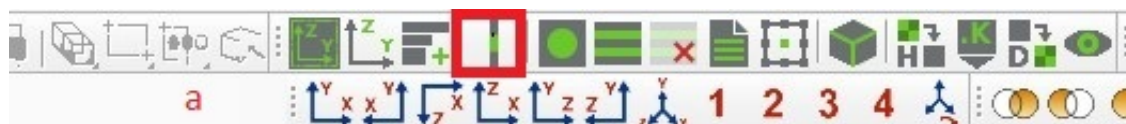
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1. Steps to obtain the ABD matrix for composite laminates using [SwiftComp-Abaqus GUI](#)

Step 1: a. Input material properties as elastic and engineering constants.

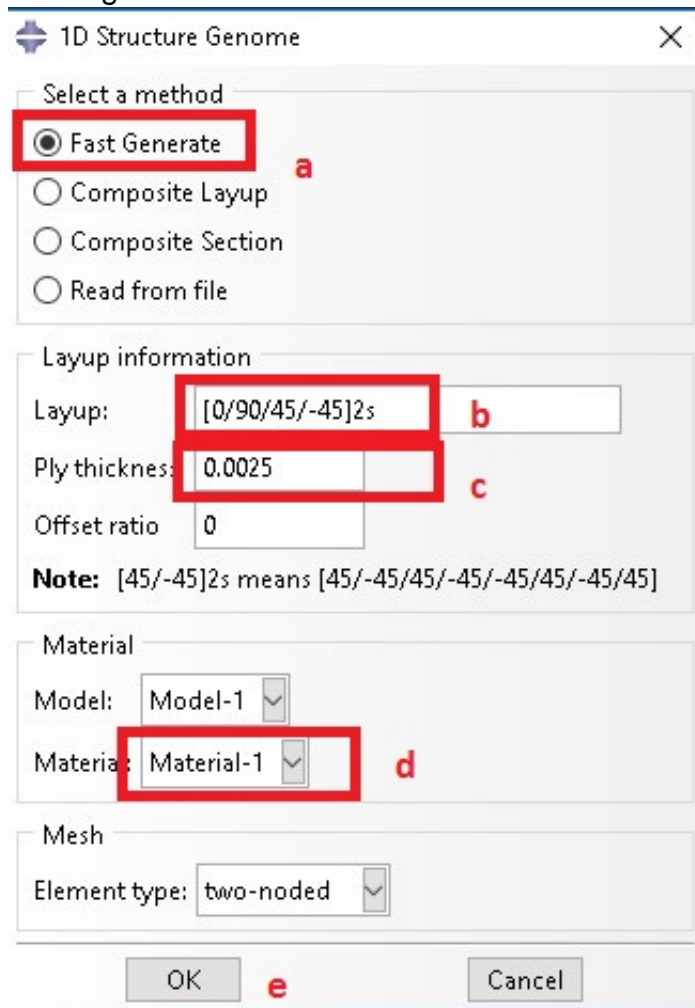


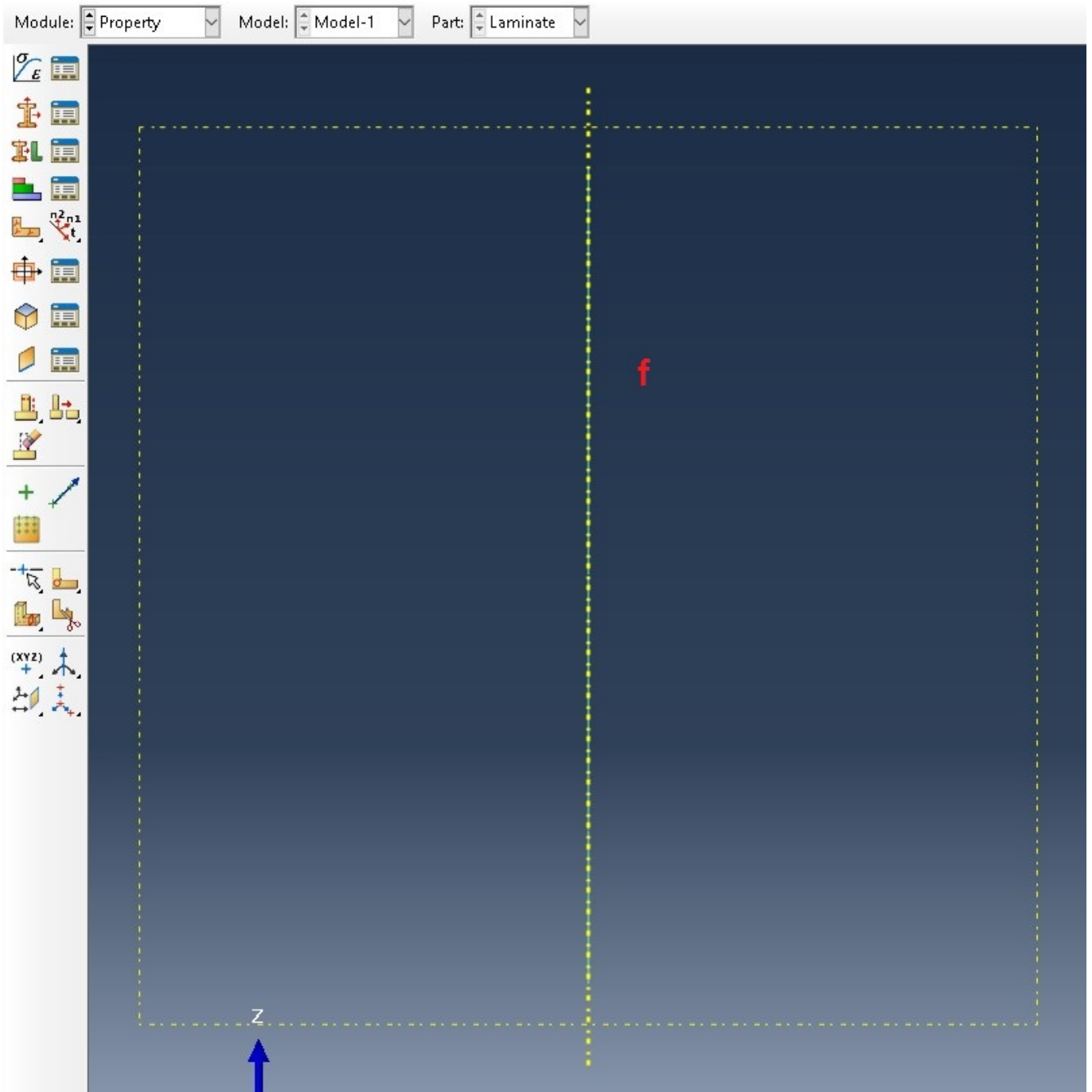
Step 2: a. Select Suitable SG – for this problem click on 1D SG and the laminate generating wizard pops up as “1D Structure Genome” (see below)



Step 3: Generate laminate

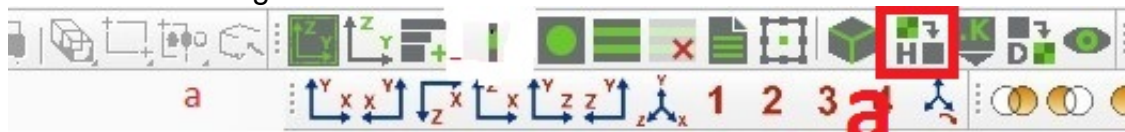
- a. Click on fast Generate to generate composite laminate
- b. Add the layup information
- c. Add thickness of each laminate
- d. Select material type
- e. Click OK to generate the laminate
- f. See generated laminate below





Step 4: Perform Homogenization-ABD Matrix

a. Click on Homogenization



b. Homogenization Wizard shows up(see below)

c. Select the macroscopic model

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- d. Select the specific model for laminate analysis, let classical model is selected
- e. Select analysis type
- f. Click on OK to perform homogenization
- g. The predicted effective properties are shown below

Laminate_nSG1_3D_n5.sc - Notepad

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The Effective Stiffness Matrix

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5.7957064E+10  1.8421639E+10  5.3526488E+09  0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  3.7440181E-06  
1.8421639E+10  5.7957064E+10  5.3526488E+09  0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  4.5192577E-06  
5.3526488E+09  5.3526488E+09  1.3309257E+10  0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  -1.0249975E-08  
0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  4.9249240E+09  6.6977932E-08  0.0000000E+00  
0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  6.6977932E-08  4.9249240E+09  0.0000000E+00  
3.7440181E-06  4.5192577E-06  -1.0249975E-08  0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  1.9767712E+10
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The Effective Compliance Matrix

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1.9584267E-11  -5.7095041E-12  -5.5800813E-12  0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  -2.4068706E-27  
-5.7095041E-12  1.9584267E-11  -5.5800813E-12  0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  -3.3988283E-27  
-5.5800813E-12  -5.5800813E-12  7.9624013E-11  0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  2.3738657E-27  
0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  2.0304882E-10  -2.7614213E-27  0.0000000E+00  
0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  -2.7614213E-27  2.0304882E-10  0.0000000E+00  
-2.4068706E-27  -3.3988283E-27  2.3738657E-27  0.0000000E+00  0.0000000E+00  5.0587543E-11
```

The Engineering Constants (Approximated as Orthotropic)

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E1 = 5.1061394E+10  
E2 = 5.1061394E+10  
E3 = 1.2559025E+10  
G12 = 1.9767712E+10  
G13 = 4.9249240E+09  
G23 = 4.9249240E+09  
nu12= 2.9153524E-01  
nu13= 2.8492673E-01  
nu23= 2.8492673E-01
```

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Effective Density = 0.0000000E+00

Homogenization

New SwiftComp file name:

Model source

CAE Input file

Model: Part:

Macroscopic model

Dimension

1D (Beam)

2D (Shell) **c**

3D (Solid)

Dimensionally reducible structures

Specific model: **d**

Initial twist/curvature

k12	k21
0.0	0.0

Omega:

Note: Provide omega if the part is not a line, rectangle or cube

Options

Analysis type: **e**

Element type:

Elemental orientation:

Temperature distribution:

Aperiodic

y1 y2 y3

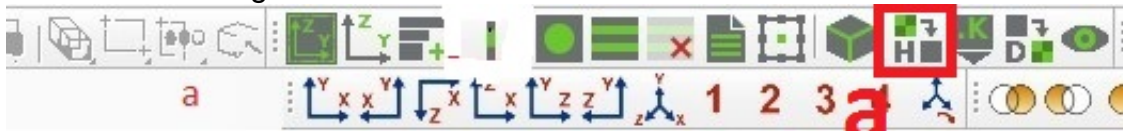
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2. Steps to obtain the 3D effective properties for composite laminates using [SwiftComp](#) -Abaqus GUI

This is similar to the ABD matrix except at the homogenization step, i.e., from steps 1 to step 3, it is the same.

a. Click on Homogenization



- b. Homogenization Wizard shows up (see below)
- c. Select 3D (solid) Model
- d. Select analysis type, elastic
- e. Click on OK to start homogenization
- f. See the predicted 3D effective properties

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Dimensionally reducible structures

Specific model:

Omega:

Note: Provide omega if the part is not a line, rectangle or cube

Options

Analysis type:

Element type:

Elemental orientation:

Temperature distribution:

Aperiodic

y1 y2 y3

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