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ABSTRACT

An experimental investigation was conducted to study lamination residual stresses for various material and loading parameters. The effects of hybridization on residual stresses and residual properties after thermal cycling under load were determined in angle-ply graphite/Kevlar/epoxy and graphite/Sglass/epoxy laminates. Residual strains in the graphite plies are not appreciably affected by the type and number of hybridizing plies. Computed residual stresses at room temperature in the S-glass plies reach values up to seventy-five percent of the transverse strength of the material. Computed residual stresses in the graphite plies exceed the static strength by approximately ten percent. In the case of Kevlar plies computed residual stresses far exceed the static strength indicating possible early failure of these plies. Static testing of the hybrids above indicates that failure is governed by the ultimate strain of the graphite plies. In thermally cycled hybrids, in general, residual moduli were somewhat lower and residual strengths were higher than initial values.

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LAMINATION RESIDUAL STRESSES IN HYBRID COMPOSITES

1.0 INTRODUCTION

In the design and evaluation of composite structures one must take into account any preexisting residual stresses and superimpose them onto those stresses produced by subsequent mechanical and thermal loading. Lamination residual stresses in composite laminates are produced during curing as a result of the anisotropic thermal deformations of the various plies. The analysis of these stresses has been the subject of many recent analytical and experimental investigations. 1-6 Residual stresses are a function of many parameters, such as ply orientation and stacking sequence, fiber content, curing temperature and other variables.¹⁻² They can reach values comparable to the transverse strength of the ply and thus induce cracking of that ply within the laminate. Residual stresses in each ply are equilibrated with interlaminar shear stresses transmitted from adjacent plies and thus may result in ply separation.

Recognizing the need to verify the theory experimentally, the NASA-Lewis Research Center has sponsored a two-phase multitask program with IIT Research Institute under Contract No. NAS3-16766. This was a systematic experimental program with the following objectives: (1) to measure directly the magnitude of lamination residual strains in a variety of angle-ply laminates of various materials and hybrids thereof and evaluate their dependence on composite design variables, (2) to evaluate their influence on the structural integrity, stiffness and strength of the composite, (3) to study their relationship with composite response to dynamic loading and (4) to provide experimental data for verification,

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extension and application of existing residual stress theory.

The first phase of this program consisted of five tasks: (1) Literature survey and materials selection, (2) Residual strains and static strength, (3) Evaluation of stress relaxation, (4) Cyclic loading and residual strength, and (5) Effects of laminate configuration variables. Results of this phase of work have been described in the first interim report⁵ and various publications.^{3,7,8} Embedded strain gage techniques were developed and used for measuring residual strains during curing. It was shown that strains recorded in the first part (heating) of the curing cycle are not significant as they correspond to the fluid state of the matrix resin. Strains measured in the second part (cooling) of the curing cycle correspond to differential thermal expansion of the various plies. It was concluded also that the extent of relaxation of residual stresses is low. Tensile load cycling, thermal cycling and thermal cycling under tensile load did not have a measurable influence on residual strength and stiffness of the laminates. Stacking sequence variations of the same basic construction did not have an effect on residual stresses and residual properties after thermal cycling under load.

The objective of the second phase of this investigation described in this final report was to investigate the influence of hybridization on curing residual strains and residual properties after thermal cycling in angle-ply laminates. The laminates investigated were graphite/Kevlar 49/high modulus epoxy and graphite/S-glass/high modulus epoxy of $[0/\pm45/0]_s$ and $[\pm45/0_2]_s$ layups where half or all of the 0-degree plies were Kevlar 49 or S-glass. The same matrix, ERLA 4617, was used in all three material systems to insure uniform curing of the various plies and to produce more compatible hybrids. Residual strains during

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curing were determined using previously developed techniques, described in the First Interim Report.⁵ Uniaxial tensile properties of these laminates under static loading to failure were determined and compared with similar properties after thermal cycling under load.

2.0 MATERIAL QUALIFICATION AND CHARACTERIZATION

2.1 Material Qualification

The three basic materials, HM-S graphite/ERLA 4617, Kevlar 49/ERLA 4617 and S-glass/ERLA 4617 were ordered and received in prepreg form, (Fothergill and Harvey, Ltd., Composite Materials Division, Summit Littleborough, Lancashire, England). Unidirectional 15-ply laminates were prepared and the standard qualification tests were conducted. Results of these tests for the three materials are tabulated in Tables 1 to 6.

It can be seen from these tables that the results for the graphite/high modulus epoxy are better than those obtained by the manufacturer. In the case of Kevlar 49/epoxy, however, the qualification results indicate strength values lower than those suggested by the manufacturer.

2.2 Laminate Fabrication

Laminate plates were fabricated from each material system to provide specimens for the qualification testing, characterization of unidirectional laminates and residual stress studies.

Each plate was layed up from prepreg sheets on a flat metal plate according to established procedures. The prepreg layup was vacuum-bagged to the autoclave table using a teflon film sealed by means of "Prestite" tape vacuum sealant. The curing schedule used for all three materials is as follows:

- 1. Apply full vacuum to bagged layup
- 2. Pressurize autoclave to 587 kPa (85 psi)
- 3. Heat to 444° degK (340°F) and hold for 7 hours
- 4. Allow to cool to room temperature

Specimen Number	Thickness cm (in)				Flexu MPa	al Strength (ksi)
1 2 3 4 5	0.178 0.175 0.175 0.175 0.178 0.170	(0.070) (0.069) (0.069) (0.070) (0.067)	1.280 1.273 1.283 1.283 1.283 1.288	(0.504) (0.501) (0.505) (0.505) (0.507)	1110 1035 970 1130 1050	(161) (150) (141) (164) (152)
		Manu	facture	Average: r's Data:		(154) (149)

Table -

QUALIFICATION FLEXURE TESTS ON HM-S GRAPHITE/ERLA 4617

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QUALIFICATION INTERLAMINAR SHEAR TESTS ON HM-S GRAPHITE/ERLA 4617

Specimen	Thi	Thickness		Width		Strength
Number	cm	cm (in)		cm (in)		(ksi)
1	$0.163 \\ 0.160 \\ 0.160 \\ 0.160 \\ 0.160 \\ 0.160 \\ 0.160 \\ 0.160 \\ 0.160 \\ 0.00$	(0.064)	0.635	(0.250)	55.6	(8.06)
2		(0.063)	0.653	(0.257)	58.4	(8.47)
3		(0.063)	0.650	(0.256)	61.3	(8.88)
4		(0.063)	0.635	(0.250)	55.2	(8.00)
5		(0.063)	0.658	(0.259)	61.6	(8.93)

Average:	58.4	(8.47)
Manufacturer's Data:	54.5	(7.90)

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Specimen	Thic	kness	Width	Flexura	al Strength
Number	cm	(in)	cm (in)	MPa	(ksi)
1	0.175	(0.069)	1.260 (0.496)	500	(72)
2	0.170	(0.067)	1.262 (0.497)	500	(73)
3	0.178	(0.070)	1.270 (0.500)	510	(74)
4	0.188	(0.074)	1.260 (0.496)	500	(73)
5	0.168	(0.066)	1.262 (0.497)	500	(73)
6	0.165	(0.065)	1.260 (0.496)	500	(72)
~		Manu	Average facturer's Data		(73) (88)

Table 3

QUALIFICATION FLEXURE TESTS ON KEVLAR-49/ERLA 4617

Table 4

QUALIFICATION INTERLAMINAR SHEAR TESTS ON KEVLAR 49/ERLA 4617

Specimen	Thickness	Width	Shear	Strength
Number	cm (in)	cm (in)	MPa	(ksi)
1	$\begin{array}{cccc} 0.163 & (0.064) \\ 0.160 & (0.063) \\ 0.168 & (0.066) \\ 0.168 & (0.066) \\ 0.165 & (0.065) \\ 0.160 & (0.063) \end{array}$	0.645 (0.254)	27.4	(3.97)
2		0.648 (0.255)	27.4	(3.97)
3		0.648 (0.255)	28.3	(4.10)
4		0.650 (0.256)	27.9	(4.04)
5		0.645 (0.254)	28.2	(4.09)
6		0.648 (0.255)	28.4	(4.11)
· .	Manu	Average: facturer's Data:		(4.05) (7.20)

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Specimen		kness		dth		al Strength
Number	<u> </u>	<u>(in)</u>	cm	<u>(in)</u>	<u>MPa</u>	<u>(ksi)</u>
1	0.180	(0.071)	1.265	(0.498)	1309	(190)
2	0.193	(0.076)	1.270	(0.500)	1245	(180)
3	0.185	(0.073)	1.262	(0.497)	1495	(217)
4	0.185	(0.073)	1.250	(0.492)	1313	(190)
5	0.180	(0.071)	1.262	(0.497)	1415	(205)

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OUALIFICATION	FLEXURE	TESTS	ON	S-GLASS/ERLA	4617

Average: 1355 (196)

Table 6

QUALIFICATION INTERLAMINAR SHEAR TESTS ON S-GLASS/ERLA 4617

Specimen	Thic	kness		dth		Strength
Number	cm	<u>(in)</u>	<u>cm</u>	<u>(in)</u>	MPa	<u>(ksi)</u>
1	0.170	(0.067)	0.630	(0.248)	95.6	(13.9)
ž	0.168	(0.066)		(0.249)	96.0	(13.9)
3	0.173	(0.068)	0.630	(0.248)	89.0	(12.9)
4	0.178	(0.070)	0.638	(0.251)	90.4	(13.1)
5	0.168	(0.066)	0.630	(0.248)	93.3	(13.5)
				Average:	92.9	(13.5)

This procedure is slightly different from that used previously for the graphite/high modulus epoxy, in that the recommended 6hour postcuring was combined with the 1-hour curing.

2.3 Characterization of Unidirectional Laminates

Two unidirectional $[0_6]$ specimens 2.54 cm (1 in.) wide and 23 cm (9 in.) long of each material were tested to determine 0-degree tensile properties. Stress-strain curves obtained are shown in Figs. 1 to 6. For each specimen, the initial axial modulus, Poisson's ratio and strength were computed from the data. Results are indicated on the respective graphs and summarized later in Tables 7 to 12. Strains in the graphite/epoxy are linear to failure. In the Kevlar/epoxy they are linear up to a stress of approximately 965 MPa (140 ksi) thereafter, there seems to be a stiffening of the specimen. The strains in the S-glass/epoxy are linear up to approximately 1450 MPa (210 ksi), thereafter they increase at a faster rate. The graphite/epoxy has the lowest ultimate strain (0.0035) and the S-glass/epoxy has the highest (0.035), ten times that of graphite/epoxy.

Two unidirectional [90₈] specimens 2.54 cm (1 in.) wide and 23 cm (9 in.) long of each material were tested to determine 90-degree tensile properties. Stress-strain curves are shown in Figs. 7 to 13. Results are indicated in the graphs and tabulated in Tables 7 to 12. Strains in the graphite/epoxy and Kevlar/epoxy are linear to failure. In the S-glass/epoxy they become nonlinear above a stress of 28 MPa (4 ksi). The Kevlar/epoxy exhibited unusually low strength (5.3 MPa; 765 psi), much lower than published values.

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Compression tests were conducted with the IITRI fixture. The specimens were 13.5 cm (5.3 in.) long and 0.63 cm (0.25 in.)The O-degree graphite/epoxy and Kevlar/epoxy specimens wide. were 8-ply thick with a gage section 0.63 cm (0.25 in.) long. The 90-degree graphite/epoxy and Kevlar/epoxy specimens were 15-ply thick and had a gage section 0.95 cm (0.375 in.) long. All S-glass/epoxy specimens, prepared and tested last, were 20-ply thick with a gage section 0.95 in. (0.375 in.) long. A11 compression specimens were instrumented with longitudinal strain gages on both sides. Strain gages were monitored throughout loading to failure. Stress-strain curves and the computed modulus and strength values are shown in Figs. 14 to 22. Figures 14 and 16 for the O-degree tests on graphite/epoxy and Kevlar/ epoxy show nonlinear behavior not associated with buckling. Figures 15 and 17 for similar specimens show linear response Initial modulus and strength in both cases seem to to failure. be within expected experimental variability. In the S-glass/ epoxy the 0-degree specimens respond linearly up to approximately 890 MPa (130 ksi), but their strength is appreciably lower than the corresponding tensile strength. The measured compressive modulus also appears somewhat lower than the corresponding 0degree tensile modulus. The response of the 90-degree compression specimens is nonlinear, apparently due to material response. The nonlinearity in the S-glass/epoxy specimens is highly pronounced above a stress of approximately 48 MPa (7 ksi). Strain data for the 90-degree Kevlar/epoxy specimens were erratic and inadequate due to their low strength. Most specimens displayed negligible bending in compression. In all cases the 0-degree compressive strength was lower than the corresponding tensile strength; it was relatively higher for the graphite/epoxy and lowest for the Kevlar/epoxy. The 90-degree compressive strength is always appreciably higher than the corresponding tensile strength.

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In-plane shear properties were determined by testing two 10-degree off-axis unidirectional specimens of each material. The specimens were 1.25 cm (0.5 in.) wide, 6-ply thick, and 25.4 cm (10 in.) long. They were instrumented with a three-gage rosette on each side. Shear stress and shear strain computed from the measured data are plotted in Figs. 23 to 27. The in-plane shear modulus and shear strength are also shown in the figures. Of the two graphite/epoxy specimens the one described in Fig. 23 apparently failed prematurely at a low strength. The second specimen (Fig. 24) shows linear response up to a shear stress of 16 MPa (2.3 ksi). The behavior of the S-glass/epoxy becomes nonlinear at a small fraction of its shear strength (17 MPa; 2.5 ksi).

All of the characterization results obtained for the three materials tested are summarized in Tables 7, 8 and 9. Results for the graphite/epoxy are comparable to those obtained for the same material, but of lower fiber volume ratio, tested in Task II.⁵ Properties for Kevlar/epoxy were compared with similar data available from the manufacturer.⁹ The latter are summarized in Table 10. The longitudinal tensile properties measured are in good agreement, but in general the other properties measured are lower than those published.

Table 7					
PROPERTIES OF UNIDIRECTIONAL GRAPHITE/HIGH MODULUS EPOXY					
(HM-S/ERLA 4617)					

Property	No. of Specimens	Value Range
Ply Thickness		0.114 mm (0.0045 in)
Fiber Volume Ratio, FVR		0.61
Longitudinal Modulus, E ₁₁	2	218.7-220.8 GPa(31.7-32.0x10 ⁶)
Transverse Modulus, E ₂₂	2	7.04 GPa (1.02 x 10 ⁶ psi)
Shear Modulus, G ₁₂	2	6.0-7.3 GPa(0.86-1.06 x 10 ⁶ p
Major Poisson's Ratio, v ₁₂	2	0.28-0.34
Minor Poisson's Ratio, v ₂₁	2	0.02
Longitudinal Tensile Strength, S _{llT}	2	631-1007 MPa (91.5-146 ksi)
Ultimate Longitudinal Tensile Strain, cu	2	0.0029-0.0041
Longitudinal Compressive Strength, S _{11C}	2	642-690 MPa (93-100 ksi)
Ultimate Longitudinal _u Compressive Strain, ^e llC	2	0.0033-0.0045
Fransverse Tensile Strength, S _{22T}	2	33-39 MPa (4800-5600 psi)
Ultimate Transverse Tensile Strain, ε^{u}_{22T}	2	0.0048-0.0054
Fransverse Compressive Strength, S _{22C}	2	143-159 MPa (20.8-23 ksi)
Jltimate Transverse Compressive Strain, ε22C	1	0.0277
Intralaminar Shear Strength, S ₁₂	2	30-72 MPa (4200-10,400 psi)
lltimate Intralaminar Shear Strain, ε ^u 12	2	0.0025-0.0061

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Table 8					
PROPERTIES	OF	UNIDIRECTIONAL	KEVLAR/HIGH	MODULUS	EPOXY
(Kevlar 49/ERLA 4617)					

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Property	No. of Specimens	Value Range
Ply Thickness		0.114 mm (0.0045 in.)
Fiber Volume Ratio, FVR		0.65
Longitudinal Modulus, E ₁₁	2	69.0 GPa (10.0 x 10 ⁶ psi)
Transverse Modulus, E ₂₂	2	4.35-4.67 GPa (630,000-680,000 psi)
Shear Modulus, G ₁₂	2	2.37-2.60 GPa (340,000-380,000 psi)
Major Poisson's Ratio, ν ₁₂	2	0.39-0.42
Minor Poisson's Ratio, v ₂₁	2	0.01-0.02
Longitudinal Tensile Strength, S _{11T}	2	1364-1481 MPa (198-215 ksi)
Ultimate Longitudinal Tensile Strain, ε ^u llT	2	0.0189-0.0198
Longitudinal Compressive Strength, S _{11C}	2	180-207 MPa (26-30 ksi)
Ultimate Longitudinal Compressive Strain, ε <mark>u</mark> llC	2	0.0034-0.0048
Transverse Tensile Strength, S _{22T}	2	4.8-5.8 MPa (700-830 psi)
Ultimate Transverse Tensile Strain, ε ^u 22 T	2	0.0011-0.0012
Transverse Compressive Strength, S _{22C}	1	64 MPa (9,200 psi)
Intralaminar Shear ^{''} Strength, S ₁₂	2	23.9-24.1 MPa (3460-3500 psi)
Ultimate Intralaminar Shear Strain, ^{cu} 12	2	0.°0049-0.0054

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		Table	9		
PROPERTIES	OF	UNIDIRECTIONAL	S-GLASS/HIGH	MODULUS	EPOXY
(S-Glass/ERLA 4617)					

Property	No. of Specimens	Value Range
	Specimens	
Ply Thickness	-	0.119 mm (0.0047 in.)
Fiber Volume Ratio, FVR		0.58
Longitudinal Modulus, E ₁₁	2	47.8-52.1 GPa (6.9-7.5 x 10 ⁶ psi)
Transverse Modulus, E ₂₂	3	19.1-19.3 GPa (2.77-2.80 x 106 psi)
Shear Modulus, G ₁₂	1	7.2 GPa (1.04 x 10 ⁶ psi)
Major Poisson's Ratio, v ₁₂	2	0.29
Minor Poisson's Ratio, v ₂₁	3	0.10
Longitudinal Tensile Strength, S _{11T}	2	1587-1960 MPa (230-284 ksi)
Ultimate Longitudinal Tensile Strain, ε ^u 11T	2	0.0325-0.0387
Longitudinal Compressive Strength, S _{11C}	2	942-1072 MPa (137-155 ksi)
Ultimate Longitudinal Compressive Strain, ε <mark>u</mark> 11C	2	0.0187-0.0218
Transverse Tensile Strength, S _{22T}	3	72-85 MPa (10.5 -12.4 ksi)
Ultimate Transverse Tensile Strain, ε <mark>u</mark> 22T	3	0.0041-0.0052
Transverse Compressive Strength, S _{22C}	2	174-194 MPa (25-28 ksi)
Ultimate Transverse Compressive Strain, ε ^u 22C	2	0.0142-0.0187
Intralaminar Shear Strength, S ₁₂	2	69-72 MPa (10.0-10.4 ksi)
Ultimate Intralaminar Shear Strain, ε ^u 12	1	0.0101

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Table 10				
PROPERTIES	OF	UNIDIRECTIONAL	KEVLAR-49/EPOXY	
e	(Dı	Pont Published	Data)	

Property	Value
Fiber Volume Ratio, FVR	0.60
Longitudinal Modulus, E ₁₁	76 GPa (11.0 x 10 ⁶ psi)
Transverse Modulus, E ₂₂	5.5 GPa (800,000 psi)
Shear Modulus, G ₁₂	2.07 GPa (300,000 psi)
Major Poisson's Ratio	0.34
Longitudinal Tensile Strength, S _{11T}	1379 MPa (200 ksi)
Ultimate Longitudinal Tensile Strain, e ^u 11T	0.018
Longitudinal Compressive Strength, S _{11C}	276 MPa (40 psi)
Transverse Tensile Strength, S _{22T}	30 MPa (4,300 psi)
Ultimate Transverse Tensile Strain, e ^u 22T	0.006
Transverse Compressive Strength, S _{22C}	138 MPa (20 ksi)
Intralaminar Shear Strength, ^S 12	60 MPa (8700 psi)

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3.0 RESIDUAL STRAINS

3.1 Experimental Procedure

The specimens were 2.54 cm x 22.9 cm (1 in. x 9 in.) eight-ply graphite/Kevlar 49/epoxy (HM-S Graphite/Kevlar 49/ ERLA 4617) and graphite/S-glass/epoxy (HM-S Graphite/S-Glass/ ERLA 4617) laminates of the following constructions:

> $[0^{K}/\pm45^{C}/0^{C}]_{s}, [0^{K}/\pm45^{C}/0^{K}]_{s}, [\pm45^{C}/0^{K}/0^{C}]_{s}, [\pm45^{C}/0^{2}_{2}]_{s}$ $[0^{G}/\pm45^{C}/0^{C}]_{s}, [0^{G}/\pm45^{C}/0^{G}]_{s}, [\pm45^{C}/0^{G}/0^{C}]_{s}, [\pm45^{C}/0^{2}_{2}]_{s}$

where superscripts C, K and G denote graphite, Kevlar and S-glass, respectively. The same matrix resin, ERLA 4617, was selected for all three basic materials to insure compatibility and uniform curing of the various plies. Three specimens of each of the laminate configurations above were prepared. Unidirectional $[0_8]$ specimens of graphite/epoxy, Kevlar 49/epoxy and S-glass/epoxy were also used for control purposes to determine the unrestrained thermal deformations of the three basic materials. The ply thicknesses for these materials are 0.114 mm (0.0045 in.), 0.114 mm (0.0045 in.) and 0.119 mm (0.0047 in.), respectively.

In order to facilitate data reduction from embedded gages recorded during curing and thermal cycling of the laminates, a "zero expansion coefficient" gage was evaluated. Samples of this type of gage were bonded on a quartz specimen and subjected to thermal cycling between room temperature and 450° degK (350° F). The maximum purely thermal output of these sample gages was approximately 150 µ ε . It was then decided to use this type of gage for embedment in the hybrid laminates.

The unidirectional specimens were prepared and instrumented with embedded two-gage rosettes (Micro-Measurements WK-00-125TM-350, Option B-157) between the second and third ply and between the fourth and fifth ply. The angle-ply hybrid specimens were

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prepared with embedded three-gage rosettes (Micro-Measurements WK-00-125RA-350, Option B-157). One rosette was embedded in the middle of the laminate thickness and the other between the \pm 45-degree plies and the outer 0-degree ply. The gages used were fully encapsulated and had a minimal purely thermal output. The attached ribbon leads were sandwiched between thin (0.013 mm; 0.0005 in.) polyimide strips. In all cases above a thermocouple was also embedded in the middle surface of the specimen. To determine the purely thermal output of the gage, a Titanium Silicate specimen, which has a very low coefficient of thermal expansion ($\alpha = 0.03 \times 10^{-6} \text{K}^{-1} = 0.017 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in/in/°F}$), was also instrumented with a two-gage rosette and a thermocouple.

The instrumented specimens, including the reference unidirectional and Titanium Silicate specimens, were subjected to the curing and postcuring cycles in the autoclave. Strain gage and thermocouple readings were taken throughout. Subsequently, the same specimens were subjected to a thermal cycle from room temperature to 444 degK (340°F) and down to room temperature. Strain gages and thermocouples were recorded at 5.5 degK (10°F) intervals. The true thermal strains were obtained by subtracting algebraically from the recorded apparent strains the small output of the gage on the Titanium Silicate specimen and adding the known thermal expansion of the latter.

3.2 Residual Strains

The purely thermal output of the gages used is shown by the apparent strains recorded on the Titanium Silicate specimen (Fig. 28). The maximum apparent strain is 75 $\mu\epsilon$. Thermal strains recorded in the three [0₈] unidirectional specimens are plotted versus temperature in Figs. 29 to 31. Both Kevlar 49/epoxy and graphite/epoxy exhibit negative thermal strains in the longitudinal (fiber) direction. The Kevlar 49/ epoxy exhibits the largest positive transverse and negative

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longitudinal strains. The S-glass/epoxy undergoes the lowest thermal deformation in the transverse direction and the highest (positive) in the longitudinal direction.

Coefficients of thermal expansion computed from these data for the graphite/epoxy are:

At 297 degK (75°F)

$$\alpha_{11} = -1.26 \times 10^{-6} K^{-1} (-0.7 \mu \epsilon/°F)$$

 $\alpha_{22} = 33.9 \times 10^{-6} K^{-1} (18.8 \mu \epsilon/°F)$

at 444 degK (340°F)

$$\alpha_{11} = -1.26 \times 10^{-6} \text{K}^{-1} (-0.7 \mu \epsilon/^{\circ} \text{F})$$

 $\alpha_{22} = 83.7 \times 10^{-6} \text{K}^{-1} (46.5 \mu \epsilon/^{\circ} \text{F})$

Coefficients of thermal expansion computed for the Kevlar/epoxy are:

At 297 degK (75°F) $\alpha_{11} = -4.0 \times 10^{-6} K^{-1} (-2.2 \mu \epsilon / °F)$ $\alpha_{22} = 57.6 \times 10^{-6} K^{-1} (32.0 \mu \epsilon / °F)$

at 444 degK (340°F)

$$\alpha_{11} = -5.7 \times 10^{-6} \text{K}^{-1} (-3.2 \mu \epsilon/^{\circ} \text{F})$$

 $\alpha_{22} = 82.8 \times 10^{-6} \text{K}^{-1} (46.0 \mu \epsilon/^{\circ} \text{F})$

Coefficients of thermal expansion computed for the Sglass/epoxy are:

At 297 degK (75°F)

 $\alpha_{11} = 6.6 \times 10^{-6} K^{-1} (3.7 \mu \epsilon/°F)$

 $\alpha_{22} = 19.7 \times 10^{-6} \text{K}^{-1} (10.9 \mu \epsilon/^{\circ} \text{F})$

at 444 degK (340°F)

 $\alpha_{11} = 14.1 \times 10^{-6} \text{K}^{-1} (7.9 \mu \epsilon / ^{\circ}\text{F})$ $\alpha_{22} = 26.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{K}^{-1} (14.7 \mu \epsilon / ^{\circ}\text{F})$

Thermal strains recorded during cool down were very close to and averaged with those obtained during subsequent thermal cycling. Thermal strains as a function of temperature obtained for the eight hybrid laminates described above are shown in Figs. 32 to 39. It can be seen from these results that the stacking sequence does not have an influence on the measured thermal strains for laminates composed of the same type and number of plies. The longitudinal strains in all graphite/Kevlar specimens are negative. The specimens with all 0-degree plies of Kevlar have higher. transverse (positive) and longitudinal (negative) strains than the specimens with only half 0-degree Kevlar plies. This is a direct consequence of the relative magnitudes of unrestrained thermal strains in unidirectional Kevlar/epoxy and graphite/epoxy (Figs. 29 and 30). In the case of the graphite/glass specimens the substitution of the last two 0-degree graphite plies with glass plies changes the longitudinal strain from negative to positive (Figs. 36 to 39).

The residual stresses induced in each ply correspond to the so-called restraint strains, i.e., the difference between the unrestrained thermal expansion of that ply (unidirectional specimen) and the restrained expansion of the ply within the laminate (angle-ply specimen). Restraint or residual strains

obtained for the O-degree Kevlar, O-degree graphite and 45-degree graphite plies of the $[0^{K}/\pm45^{C}/0^{C}]_{s}$ and $[\pm45^{C}/0^{K}/0^{C}]_{s}$ graphite/ Kevlar 49/epoxy specimens are plotted in Figs. 40 to 45. These strains are plotted as a function of temperature with room temperature shown as the stress-free level. The actual stressfree level is at 444 degK (340°F), the temperature at which the matrix solidifies. To refer these residual strains to this level, the curves of Figs. 40 to 45 must be shifted parallel to the strain axis until they intersect the temperature axis at 444 degK The highest residual strain is the transverse (ϵ_{90}) (340°F). strain in the 0-degree Kevlar plies exceeding 9 x $10^{-3}\epsilon$ (Figs. 40 and 43). This is associated with the high transverse thermal expansion of the unidirectional Kevlar 49/epoxy (Fig. 30). The transverse strain in the O-degree graphite plies is much lower reaching a peak value of 5.6 x 10^{-3} ε . The maximum strain in the 45-degree graphite plies is $6.3 \times 10^{-3} \epsilon$.

Restraint strains were computed for the 0-degree Kevlar and 45-degree graphite plies of the $[0^{K}/\pm45^{C}/0^{K}]_{s}$ and $[\pm45^{C}/0_{2}^{K}]_{s}$ graphite/Kevlar 49/epoxy specimens. Results, shown graphically in Figs. 46 to 49, do not differ much from corresponding strains in the preceding group of specimens. In the 0-degree Kevlar plies the only noticeable difference is the small reduction in the longitudinal (ϵ_{0}) residual strain from -0.4 x $10^{-3}\epsilon$ to -0.2 x $10^{-3}\epsilon$. The strains in the 45-degree graphite plies show a small increase in the longitudinal direction and a slight reduction in the transverse direction.

Residual strains in the 0-degree S-glass, 0-degree graphite and 45-degree graphite plies of the $[0^G/\pm45^C/0^C]_s$ and $[\pm45^C/0^G/0^C]_s$ specimens were obtained as before and plotted in Figs. 50 to 55 with room temperature as the reference temperature. The transverse strains in the 0-degree S-glass plies are relatively low, compared to similar strains in the 0-degree graphite plies, because of the lower transverse thermal expansion of the unidirectional

S-glass/epoxy. All three strain components in the O-degree Sglass plies are close to each other because the corresponding strain components are similarly related in the unidirectional material. Residual strains in the graphite plies are very close to those obtained for the graphite/Kevlar 49/epoxy specimens, since these strains are primarily dominated by the strains in the unidirectional graphite/epoxy.

Residual strains in the 0-degree S-glass and 45-degree graphite plies of the $[0^{G}/\pm45^{C}/0^{G}]_{s}$ and $[\pm45^{C}/0^{G}]_{s}$ graphite/Sglass/epoxy are not much different from the corresponding strains in the preceding group (Figs. 56 to 59). The main difference are a reduction in the peak longitudinal (ϵ_{0}) strain in the 0-degree S-glass ply from 1.75 x $10^{-3}\epsilon$ to 1.45 x $10^{-3}\epsilon$ and a reduction in the peak longitudinal (ϵ_{0}) strain in the 45-degree graphite plies from 3.5 x $10^{-3}\epsilon$ to 3.1 x $10^{-3}\epsilon$.

The peak residual strains occurring at room temperature are tabulated in Table 11 for all laminates tested including the all-graphite laminate tested under Task II.⁵ Several conclusions can be drawn from these results. For laminates of the same composition, stacking sequence variations have no influence on residual stresses. Hybridizing the basic $[0_2^{C}/\pm 45^{C}]_{c}$ graphite/epoxy laminate by substituting Kevlar or S-glass plies for 0-degree graphite plies has a relatively small influence, a small reduction, on residual strains in the remaining graphite plies. This is due in part to the fact that the thermal deformations in the angle-ply laminates are an order of magnitude lower than the unrestrained strains in the unidirectional material and in part to the relatively lower stiffness of Kevlar and S-glass. Increasing the number of Kevlar plies in the graphite/Kevlar group increases slightly the transverse (to the fibers) strains in the Kevlar and graphite plies. Replacing Kevlar with S-glass reduces slightly the transverse strains in the graphite plies. Increasing the number of S-glass plies in the graphite/S-glass group reduces the transverse strain in the graphite plies slightly more.

Laminate	Ply		Strain	$, 10^{-3} \varepsilon$	- r
		³	^ε 90	ε ^έ 45	^ε -45
$[0_2^{C}/\pm 45^{C}]_{a}$	o ^C	0	6.0	2.9	
2 - 3	45 ^C	3.4	2.6	-0.4	6.5
[0 ^K / <u>+</u> 45 ^C /0 ^C]	0 ^K	-0.4	9.0	4.3	
- 5	o ^C	0	5.6	2.8	
	45 ^C	3.4	2.4	-0.5	6.3
$[\pm 45^{\rm C}/0^{\rm K}/0^{\rm C}]_{\rm c}$	0 ^K	-0.4	9.2	4.4	
5	o ^C	O	5.6	2.8	
	45 ^C	3.4	2.3	-0.5	6.2
$[0^{K}/\pm 45^{C}/0^{K}]_{s}$	0 ^K	-0.2	9.1	4.4	
с и	45 ^C	3.7	2.2	-0.5	6.3
[<u>+</u> 45 ^C /02 ^K] _s	0 ^K	-0.2	9.3	4.6	
	45 ^C	3.6	2.2	-0.4	6.4
$[0^{G}/\pm 45^{C}/0^{C}]_{s}$	0 ^G	1.7	2.4	2.0	
- 's	oc	-0.1	5.5	2.7	
	45 ^C	3.5	2.2	-0.6	6.3.
$[\pm 45^{\rm C}/0^{\rm G}/0^{\rm C}]_{\rm c}$	0 ^G	1.8	2.4	2.1	
3	o ^C	0	5.6	2.8	
	45 ^C	3.5	2.2	-0.6	6.2
$[0^{\rm G}/\pm45^{\rm C}/0^{\rm G}]_{\rm s}$	0 ^G	1.4	2.4	1.9	
	45 ^C	3.1	2.1 ·	-0.8	6.0
$[\pm 45^{\rm C}/0_{2}^{\rm G}]_{\rm s}$	0 ^G	1.5	2.5	2.0	
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Superscripts K, C and G denote Kevlar, graphite and S-glass, respectively.

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3.3 Residual Stresses

Residual stresses in any given ply can be computed from the residual strains using the appropriate orthotropic constitutive relations. Assuming linear elastic behavior, these relations take the form

$[\sigma_{ij}(T)] = [Q(T)] [\epsilon_{ij}(T)]$

where [Q], $[\sigma_{ij}]$ and $[\varepsilon_{ij}]$ are the temperature-dependent stiffness, stress and strain matrices, respectively. In the case of unidirectional graphite/epoxy and Kevlar 49/epoxy the strain response in the longitudinal and transverse directions is linear to failure. In the case of unidirectional S-glass/epoxy the response in the longitudinal direction is linear up to at least a strain of $25 \times 10^{-3}\varepsilon$, but in the transverse direction is linear only up to a strain of approximately $1.5 \times 10^{-3}\varepsilon$.

In the linear range, the residual stress components in a given ply at a given temperature are given by the following stress-strain relations:

$$\sigma_{11} = \frac{E_{11}}{1 - v_{12}v_{21}} [\epsilon_{11} + v_{21}\epsilon_{22}]$$

$$\sigma_{22} = \frac{E_{22}}{1 - v_{12}v_{21}} [v_{12}\epsilon_{11} + \epsilon_{22}]$$

 $\sigma_{12} = 2G_{12} \epsilon_{12}$

where the subscripts 1 and 2 refer to the fiber and the transverse to the fiber directions and all quantities above correspond to one temperature.

Residual stresses at room temperature were computed for the various plies of the laminates studied assuming linear elastic behavior. Results are tabulated in Table 12. The maximum transverse tensile stress for the graphite plies is 45.0 MPa (6.5 ksi) in the all-graphite laminate and 41.0 MPa (5.9 ksi) in the hybrid laminates. Both of these values exceed the static transverse tensile strength of the material which is 36 MPa (5.2 ksi). This means that these plies are most likely damaged in the transverse direction upon completion of curing. In the case of Kevlar plies the computed transverse stresses far exceed the measured static strength, which means that these plies must be damaged transversely in the early stages of cool down. Residual stresses in the S-glass plies reach values up to seventy-five percent of the static strength.

Table 12

RESIDUAL STRESSES AT ROOM TEMPERATURE IN ANGLE-PLY GRAPHITE AND HYBRID LAMINATES

Laminate	Ply	Str	ess, MPa (ksi))
		σ11	^σ 22	^σ 12
$[0^{C}/+45^{C}]_{s}$	٥ ^C	13.1(1.9)	42.5(6.2)	o
2 3	45 ^C	-73.5(-10.6)	45.0(6.5)	5.4(0.8)
[0 ^K / <u>+</u> 45 ^C /0 ^C] _s	о ^к	-11.2(-1.6)	40.8(5.9)	0
or	0 ^C	12.3(1.8)	39.6(5.7)	0
[<u>+</u> 45 ^C /0 ^K /0 ^C] _s	45 ^C	-97.0(-14.0)	43.2(6.3)	6.9(1.0)
[0 ^K / <u>+</u> 45 ^C /0 ^K] _s	0 ^K	2.8(0.4)	39.4(5.7)	0
$[\pm 45^{C}/02^{K}]_{s}$	45 ^C	-85.5(-12.4)	44.0(6.4)	9.3(1.4)
$[0^{G}/+45^{C}/0^{C}]_{s}$	0 ^G	103.5(15.0)	58.0(8.4)	0
or	o ^C	6.9(1.0)	39.2(5.7)	0
$[\pm 45^{\rm C}/0^{\rm G}/0^{\rm C}]_{\rm s}$	45 ^C	-117.8(-17.1)	42.8(6.2)	9.0(1.3)
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$[0^{G}/\pm 45^{C}/0^{G}]_{s}$	0 ^G	88.3(12.8)	57.2(8.3)	0
$[\underline{+45}^{\text{or}}]_{2}^{\text{G}}]_{\text{s}}$	45 ^C	-151.3(-22.1)	41.0(5.9)	6.9(1.0)

Note: Superscripts K, C and G denote Kevlar, graphite and S-glass, respectively.

4.0 STATIC STRENGTH

In addition to the specimens containing embedded gages, three additional specimens of each laminate construction were prepared without embedded instrumentation. Two specimens, one with embedded gages and one instrumented with surface gages, of each of the eight hybrid laminates described before were tested statically in tension to failure. Stress-strain curves to failure for these specimens are shown in Figs. 60 to 75. The axial modulus, Poisson's ratio and strength for each specimen are indicated in these graphs as well as tabulated in Table 13. Measured values are compared with theoretically predicted ones. ¹⁰ Predicted values for moduli and Poisson's ratios are based on linear lamination theory using measured values of the constituent properties. The predicted ultimate strains are based on the predicted moduli and measured strengths of the hybrid laminates assuming linear behavior to failure.

Specimens containing only two O-degree Kevlar plies behave linearly to failure. Measured moduli range between 90 and 96 GPa (13.0 and 13.9 x 10^6 psi), the average Poisson's ratio is 0.79, and the measured ultimate strain is 3.9×10^{-3} . These values are compared with corresponding predicted values of 85 GPa $(12.3 \times 10^6 \text{ psi})$, 0.76 and 4.2 x 10^{-3} . The measured and predicted ultimate strains are comparable to the highest measured ultimate strain of 4.1 x 10^{-3} in the unidirectional graphite/epoxy material Specimens containing four O-degree Kevlar plies (Table 7). display a characteristic nonlinearity starting in most cases at a strain of approximately 4×10^{-3} . The measured modulus, Poisson's ratio and ultimate strain are 47 GPa (6.8 x 10^6 psi), 0.83 and 17.4×10^{-3} , respectively. The corresponding predicted values are 47 GPa (6.8 x 10^6 psi), 0.77 and 16.4 x 10^{-3} , respectively. The reason for the lower predicted ultimate strain is the underlying

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Ultimate Longitudinal Strain,εΨτ, (10 ³ ε)	Predicted	4.1	4.3	17.0	15.8	4.5	4.1	22.0	21.4
Ultimate Long Strain,ευ _ν ,	Measured	9.9 3.3	4.2 4.0	17.0 17.8	17.7 17.2	3.7	3.8	29.2 24.8	35.8 20.0
Strength, S _{vvT}	MPa (ksi)	384 (56) 311 (45)	373 (54) 366 (53)	776(112) 828(120)	725(105) 752(109)	345 (50) 386 (56)	324 (47) 345 (50)	876(127) 814(118)	982 (142) 690 (100)
	Predicted	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.77	0.71	0.71	0.68	0.68
Poisson's Ratio. v	Measured	0.78 0.72	0.73 0.87	0.78 0.85	0.82 0.86	0.74 0.73	0.75 0.73	0.74 0.85	0.75 0.73
s, E _{xx} 06 _{DSi})	Predicted	85(12.3)	85(12.3)	47(6.8)	47(6.8)	81(11.7)	81(11.7)	39(5.6)	39(5.6)
Modulus, E _{XX} GPa (10 ⁶ psi)	Measured	96(13.9) 94(13.6)	90(13.0) 92(13.3)	50(7.3) 47(6 46(6.7) 47(6	46(6.7) 47(6 46(6.6) 47(6	93 (13.5) 86 (12.4)	86 (12.4) 81 (11.8) 81 (11.8)	$\frac{38}{37} \left(\begin{array}{c} 5.5 \\ 5.3 \end{array} \right)^{39} \left(\begin{array}{c} 5 \end{array} \right)$	37 (5.3)39(5 38 (5.5)
Laminate				[0 ^K / <u>+</u> 45 ^C /0 ^K] _s	[±45 ^C /0 ₂ ^K] _s	[0 ⁶ /±45 ^c /0 ^c] _s	[+45 ^C /0 ^G /0 ^C] ^B	[0 ^G / <u>+</u> 45 ^C /0 ^G] _s	[±45 ^C /0 ₂ ^G] _s

Superscripts C, K and G refer to graphite, Kevlar and S-glass, respectively. Note:

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assumption of linearity made for the prediction. The ultimate strain measured is still lower than the ultimate strain (19.3 x 10^{-3}) of unidirectional Kevlar (Table 2-8), which indicates that failure may still be governed by the <u>+</u>45 graphite/epoxy plies.

In the graphite/glass group specimens containing only two 0-degree S-glass plies behave linearly to failure (Figs. The average measured modulus, Poisson's ratio 68 to 71). and ultimate strain are 86 GPa (12.5 x 10^6 psi), 0.74 and 4.1 x 10^{-3} , compared to predicted values of 81 GPa (11.7 x 10⁶ psi), 0.71 and 4.3×10^{-3} . The ultimate strain is comparable to that of 0-degree unidirectional graphite/epoxy, indicating that hybrid failure is governed by the 0-degree graphite/epoxy plies. Specimens containing four O-degree S-glass plies display a characteristic nonlinearity starting at a strain of approximately 8×10^{-3} . The average measured modulus, Poisson's ratio and ultimate strain are 37 GPa (5.4 x 10^6 pis), 0.77 and 27.5 x 10^{-3} compared to predicted values of 39 GPa (5.6 x 10^6 psi), 0.68, and 21.7 x 10^{-3} . The ultimate strain in the hybrid is lower than the measured unidirectional ultimate strain 35.6 x 10^{-3} in the S-glass/epoxy (Table 9), indicating that failure may be influenced by a lower ultimate strain of the +45-degree graphite/ epoxy plies.

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5.0 TENSILE LOAD WITH THERMAL CYCLING

5.1 <u>Residual Properties After Thermal Cycling Between</u> <u>Room Temperature and 411 degK (280°F) Under Tensile</u> <u>Load</u>

Two specimens, including one with embedded gages, of each of the eight hybrid configurations discussed were subjected to a static tensile load and to 100 thermal cycles between room temperature and 411 degK (280°F). The first group of specimens tested, laminates $[0^{K}/\pm45^{C}/0^{C}]_{s}$, $[\pm45^{C}/0^{K}/0^{C}]_{s}$ and $[0^{K}/\pm 45^{C}/0^{K}]_{c}$, were subjected to a tensile load equal to 70 percent of the static strength. Of these, the two $[0^{K}/\pm 45^{C}/0^{C}]_{c}$ specimens survived the thermal cycling. The $[\pm 45^{C}/0^{K}/0^{\overline{C}}]_{1}$ specimens failed on the 90th and 97th thermal cycles, and the $[0^{K}/\pm 45^{C}/0^{K}]$ specimens failed on the third and sixth thermal cycles. These failures are attributed to the higher strength reduction with temperature of the Kevlar 49 component. In subsequent batches the tensile preload was reduced to 60 percent of the ultimate in those specimens containing two Kevlar 49 or two S-glass plies and to 50 percent of ultimate in those specimens containing four plies of Kevlar 49 or S-glass. All these specimens survived the elevated temperature thermal cycling.

All specimens that survived the thermal cycling above were tested statically to failure to determine residual elastic properties and strength. Stress-strain curves obtained are shown in Figs. 76 to 87. The modulus, Poisson's ratio and strength for each specimen are indicated in these graphs as well as tabulated in Table 14.

All specimens containing two Kevlar 49 or S-glass plies behaved linearly to failure, with the exception of one of the $[\pm 45^{\text{C}}/0^{\text{G}}/0^{\text{C}}]_{\text{S}}$ specimens where the 0-deg. graphite plies had failed. The residual moduli in these specimens are somewhat lower than initially measured values, probably because of some damage in the 0-deg. plies. Ultimate strains vary between 3.9 x 10^{-3} and

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Table 14

RESIDUAL PROPERTIES OF HYBRID ANGLE-PLY LAMINATES AFTER 100 THERMAL CYCLES BETWEEN ROOM TEMPERATURE AND 411 degK (280°F) UNDER TENSILE PRELOAD Ultimate Longitudinal Strain, (max 10³e 27.8* 4.7 4.8 3.9 24.8 20.0 16.6 13.7 4.3 4.7 26.7 >30 (ε_{xx}) 70)* (123) (128) (103) (148) 54) 58) MPa (ksi) 61) 49) Strength S_{xxT} 1023 738 370 400 884 421 338 852 760 483 363 Poisson's 1.01* 0.75 0.75 0.75 0.70 Ratio 0.74 0.85 0.85 0.89 1.06 vxy . (3.6)* (11.0) GPa (10⁶psi) 7.6) 5.5) 5.3) 4.6) 4.8) (12.5)(12.6)(12.5)(12.5)Modulus хх ж 32 33 86 512 86 86 25 76 338 During Cycling MPa (ksi) 35) (24) (54) (32) (29) (01) (61) Preload 244 244 369 369 219 422 422 422 422 201 201 [0^K/<u>+</u>45^C/0^C]₈ [0^G/<u>+</u>45^C/0^G]₈ [0^G/<u>+</u>45^C/0^C]₈ <u>+</u>45^C/0^G/0^C]_B [<u>+</u>45^C/0₂^G]₈ [<u>+</u>45^C/0₂^K]₈ Laminate

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*O-deg. Graphite Plies Failed

Superscripts C, K and G refer to graphite, Kevlar 49 and S-glass, respectively. Note:

 4.8×10^{-3} , which are slightly higher than those measured initially. Residual strength values are also somewhat higher than initial strengths, even in the specimen with the damaged 0-deg. graphite plies. A possible explanation for this trend is some possible relief of deleterious residual stresses by thermal cycling under load.

Specimens containing four Kevlar 49 or S-glass plies show some nonlinear behavior. The residual modulus of the $[\pm 45^{C}/0_{2}^{K}]_{s}$ specimens was higher and that of the $[\pm 45^{C}/0_{2}]_{s}$ specimens was lower than initial values. Residual ultimate strains were, with the exception of the $[\pm 45^{C}/0_{2}^{G}]_{s}$ specimens, lower than those measured initially. The residual strengths in this group were, in five out of six specimens, somewhat higher than initial strengths.

The modes of failure in some of the specimens above are of special interest. One $[\pm45^{C}/0^{C}]_{s}$ specimen failed in a "brooming" fashion (Fig. 2-88). Upon loading, the 0degree graphite plies failed first and isolated the outer layers consisting of the ±45 -degree graphite and 0-degree Sglass plies. The residual tensile stresses in the S-glass ply made the layer curve with the convex side outward. Specimens $[0^{C}/\pm45^{C}/0^{C}]_{s}$ failed in a different fashion illustrating the relief of lamination residual stresses. The outer layers consisting of one 0-degree S-glass ply and the ±45 -degree graphite plies curled up after the graphite plies probably delaminated from the middle 0-degree S-glass plies. This again illustrates the presence of tensile residual stresses in the 0-degree Sglass plies.

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5.2 <u>Residual Properties After Thermal Cycling Between</u> <u>Room Temperature and 200 degK (-100°F) Under</u> <u>Tensile Load</u>

Two specimens, including one with embedded gages, of each of the eight hybrid configurations discussed before were subjected to a static tensile load equal to 70 percent of the static strength and to 100 thermal cycles between room temperature and 200 degK (-100°F). One of the $[\pm 45^{\text{C}}/0^{\text{G}}/0^{\text{C}}]_{\text{s}}$. specimens failed during static preloading prior to thermal cycling. The rest of the specimens survived the thermal cycling above and subsequently were tested statically to failure. Stressstrain curves are shown in Figs. 89 to 103. The modulus, Poisson's ratio and strength for each specimen are indicated in these graphs as well as tabulated in Table 15.

All specimens containing two Kevlar 49 or S-glass plies behaved linearly to failure, with the exception of a $[\pm 45^{C}/0^{K}/0^{C}]_{s}$ specimen in which a rapid increase in strain was noticed prior to failure (Fig. 91). The residual moduli of these specimens are consistently lower than initially measured values. Ultimate strains are higher than initial values. Residual strength values are also, with one exception, somewhat higher than initial values. The results above may indicate some damage during thermal cycling but sufficient relief of deleterious residual strength.

Specimens containing four Kevlar 49 or S-glass plies showed some nonlinear behavior but less pronounced than in initial static testing. Residual moduli, with one exception, are all lower than initial moduli. No significant differences were noticed in residual strength of this group of specimens.

Table 15

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THERMAL CYCLES BETWEEN ROOM TEMPERATURE AND 200 degK (-100°F) RESIDUAL PROPERTIES OF HYBRID ANGLE-PLY LAMINATES AFTER 100

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Laminate	Pre] Dun Cyc] MPa	Preload During Cycling MPa (ksi)	Modulus E _{xx} GPa (10	lus (10 ⁶ psi)	Poisson's Ratio ^v xy	Strength SxxT MPa (ksi	ıgth kT (ksi)	Ultimate Longi- tudinal Strain, (ε _{xx}) _{max} , 10-3 _ε
[0 ^K / <u>+</u> 45 ^C /0 ^C] ₈	244 244	(35) (35)	75 92	(10.8) (13.3)	0.75 0.80	407 355	(59) (51)	بى قى تى قى
[+45 ^C /0 ^K /0 ^C] _s	258 258	(37) (37)	, 76 81	(11.0) (11.7)	0.70 0.86	366 366	(53) (53)	19.6 4.5
[0 ^K / <u>+</u> 45 ^C /0 ^K] _s	560 560	(81) (81)	41 41	(6.0) (6.7)	0.75 0.80	725 752	(105) (109)	18.5 16.2
[±45 ^C /0 ₂ ^K] _s	516 516	· (75) (75)	41 43	(6.0) (6.3)	0.77 0.86	759 797	(110)	18.6 18.3
[0 ^G / <u>+</u> 45 ^C /0 ^C] ₈	256 256	(37) (37)	77 78	(11.2) (11.3)	0.74 0.68	373 331	(54) (48)	4.9
[+45 ^C /0 ^G /0 ^C] ₈	234 234	(34) (34)	72	(10.5)	0.74	462	(67)	- ¢
[0 ^G / <u>+</u> 45 ^C /0 ^G] ₈	591 591	(86) (86)	39 36	(5.7) 5.2)	- 0.73 0.68	925 759	(134) (110)	29.5 22.3
[±45 ^C /0 ₂ ^G] ₈	584 584	(85) (85)	35 30	(5.1) (4.3)	0.70 0.63	959 745	(139) (108)	32.5 29.2

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6.0 SUMMARY, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE WORK

Residual strains were determined experimentally in the various plies of angle-ply hybrid graphite/Kevlar 49/epoxy and graphite/S-glass/epoxy laminates.

The unidirectional Kevlar 49/epoxy material exhibits the highest positive transverse and negative longitudinal thermal expansion. The unidirectional S-glass/epoxy undergoes the lowest thermal deformation in the transverse direction and the highest (positive) in the longitudinal direction.

For laminates of the same composition, the ply stacking sequence did not have an influence on measured thermal strains.

Residual strains in each ply were obtained as the difference between the unrestrained thermal expansion of that ply (unidirectional specimen) and the restrained expansion of the ply within the laminate (angle-ply specimen).

Hybridizing seems to reduce residual strains and stresses in the graphite plies, however, these strains are not affected much by the type and degree of hybridization. The maximum residual strain at room temperature in the 45-degree graphite plies is 6.5×10^{-3} for the all-graphite laminate and decreases to 6.3×10^{-3} for the graphite/Kevlar hybrids and to 6.2×10^{-3} for the graphite/S-glass hybrids.

In the hybrid laminates the 0-degree Kevlar plies have the highest residual strain, reaching a value of 9.2 x 10^{-3} in the transverse direction. The 0-degree S-glass plies have the lowest (2.4 x 10^{-3}) transverse strain.

Residual stresses at room temperature were computed for all the plies assuming linear elastic behavior. Computed transverse to the fiber residual stresses in the S-glass plies are approximately seventy-five percent of the static transverse strength of the unidirectional material. Computed residual stresses in the graphite plies exceed the static strength of these plies by approximately ten percent, indicating that these plies may have already failed transversely. In the case of Kevlar the computed stresses indicate that these plies must have failed in the early stages of cool down before reaching room temperature.

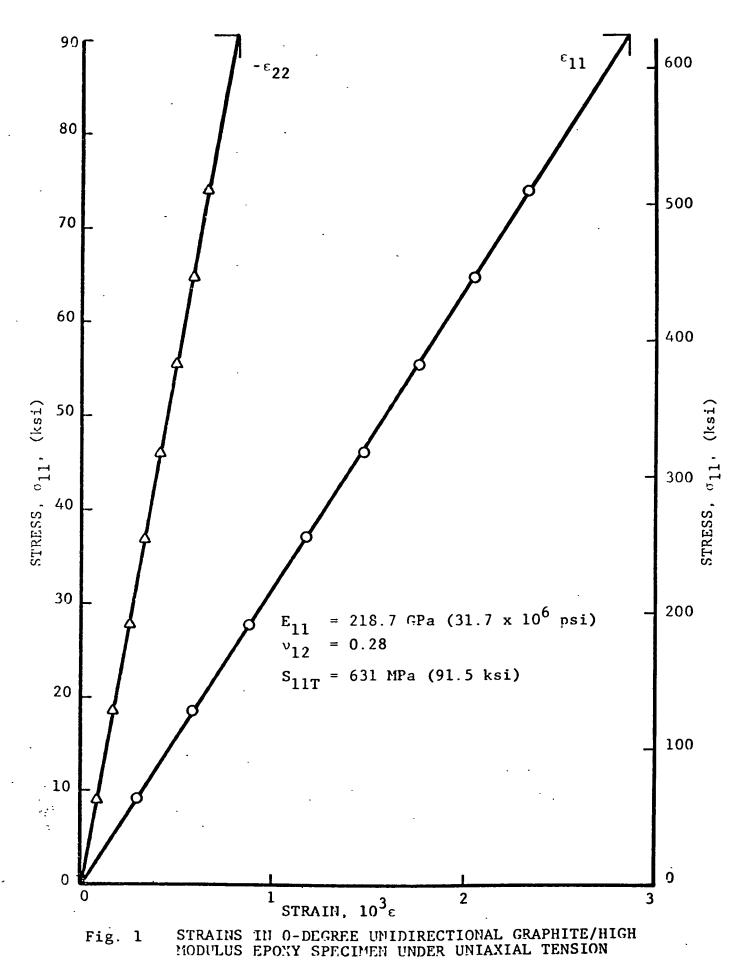
Specimens of all eight hybrid laminates were tested statically to failure. Results were summarized in Table 2-13 and compared with predicted values based on linear lamination theory. Specimens containing only two Kevlar 49 or S-glass O-degree plies behave linearly to failure, which is governed by the ultimate strain in the 0-degree graphite plies. Specimens consisting of +45-graphite plies and 0-degree Kevlar or S-glass plies display a characteristic nonlinearity. The ultimate strains of the hybrid laminates are lower than the 0-degree ultimate strains of unidirectional Kevlar or S-glass, indicating that failure in this group is governed by a lower ultimate strain of the +45degree graphite/epoxy plies. Specimens containing four 0-degree S-glass plies are only slightly stronger than those containing O-degree Kevlar plies although the ultimate strains in the latter are much lower. This is another indication that failure in this case is governed by the +45-degree graphite plies. Poisson's ratios, influenced primarily by the <u>+45-degree graphite</u> plies, vary between 0.73 and 0.86. No significant correlations can be seen between measured values and laminate construction.

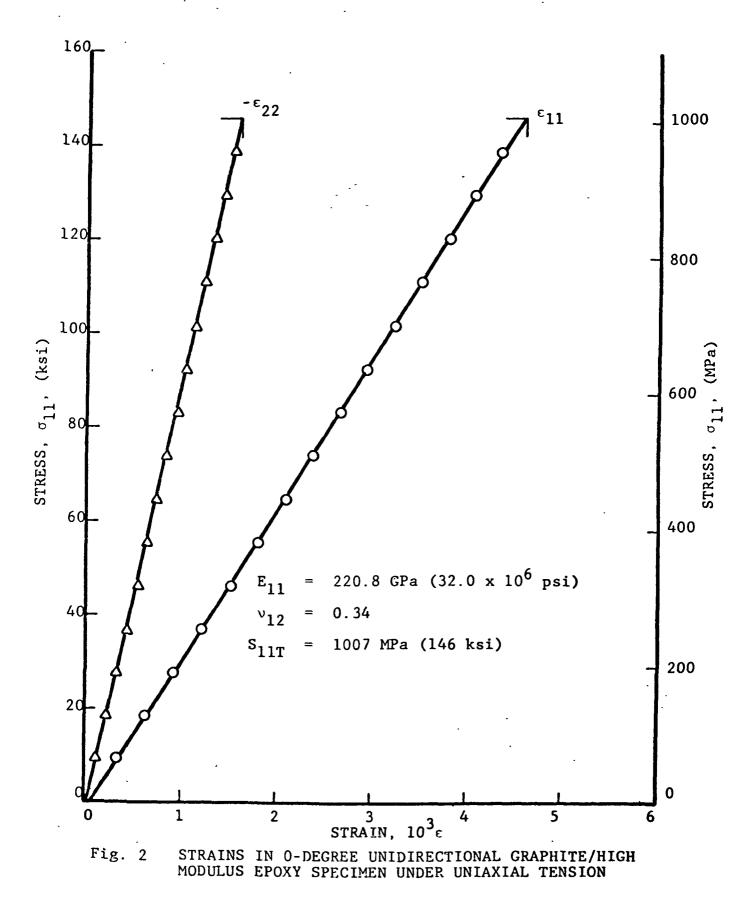
Another group of hybrid specimens was subjected to a tensile preload and 100 thermal cycles between room temperature and 411 degK (280°F). Subsequently they were tested statically to failure to determine residual properties. Specimens containing two O-degree Kevlar or S-glass plies behaved linearly to failure. They exhibited somewhat higher than initial ultimate strains and strength, possibly due to some relief of deleterious residual stresses by thermal cycling. Residual moduli were somewhat lower than initial values, possibly because of some damage in the O-degree graphite plies. Specimens containing four O-degree Kevlar or S-glass plies displayed the same characteristic nonlinearity as the initially tested specimens. Their residual strengths were, in general, somewhat higher than initial values. The presence of tensile residual stresses in the S-glass plies was clearly illustrated by the failure modes of some of these specimens (Fig. 2-88).

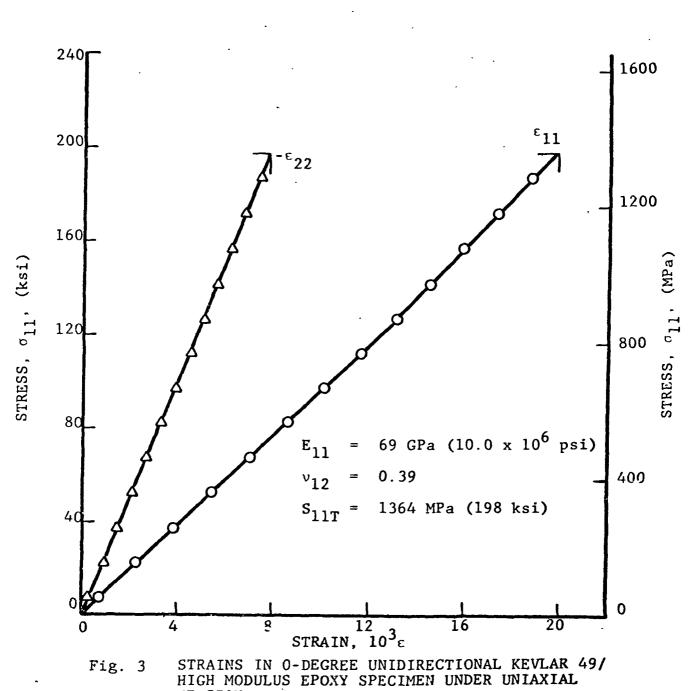
A similar group of hybrid specimens was subjected to a tensile preload and 100 thermal cycles between room temperature and 200 degK (-100°F). Subsequently they were tested statically to failure. Specimens containing only two 0-degree Kevlar or S-glass plies had consistently lower than initial residual moduli and higher residual ultimate strains and strengths. These results may indicate some damage during thermal cycling which, however, is accompanied by sufficient relief of deleterious residual stresses to increase residual strength. Specimens with four Kevlar or S-glass plies had residual moduli lower than initial ones but unchanged residual strength.

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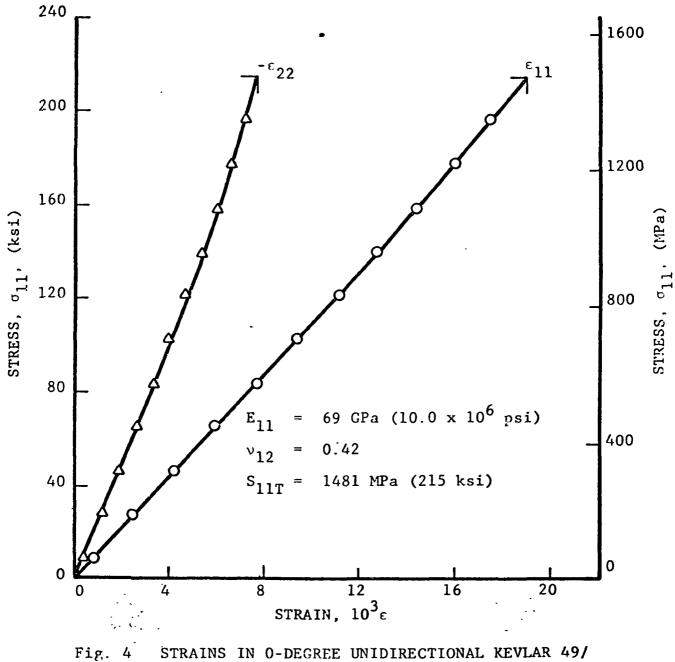
In all the tasks conducted to date the effects of residual stresses are measured in an indirect manner, because there is no comparison with similar residual-stress-free specimens. The independent influence of residual stresses should be studied by comparing conventionally fabricated angle-ply laminates with similar stress-free laminates produced by bonding together precured plies at room temperature. The effect of residual stresses on laminates with defects and damaged areas would be of importance. Specimens with cutouts, cracks or other defects with different laminate configurations should be prepared and tested. The interaction of residual stresses and interlaminar stresses near edges or cutout boundaries should be investigated.



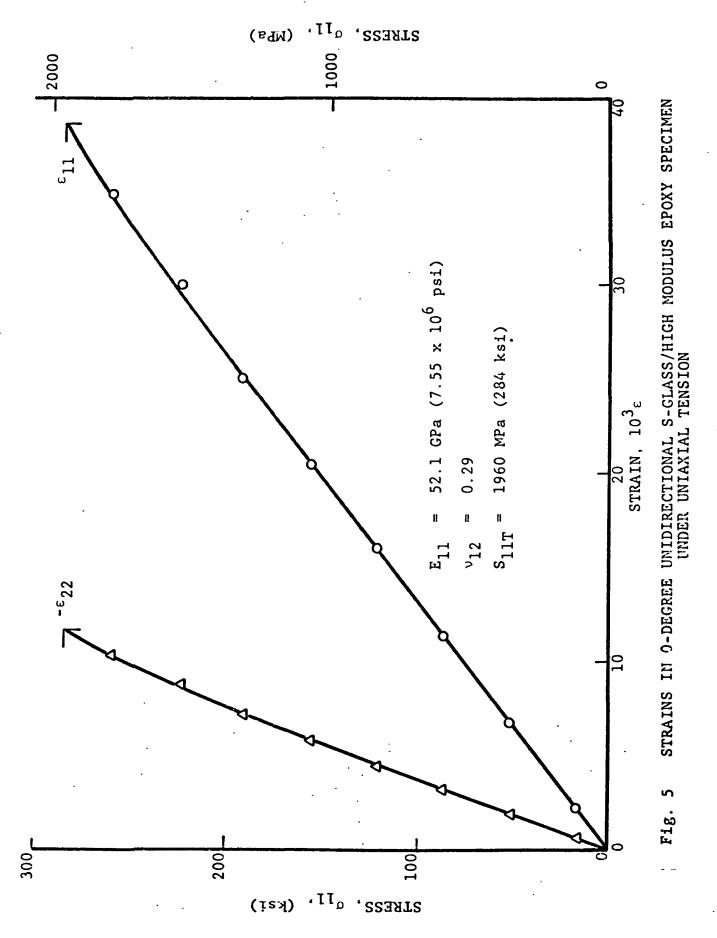




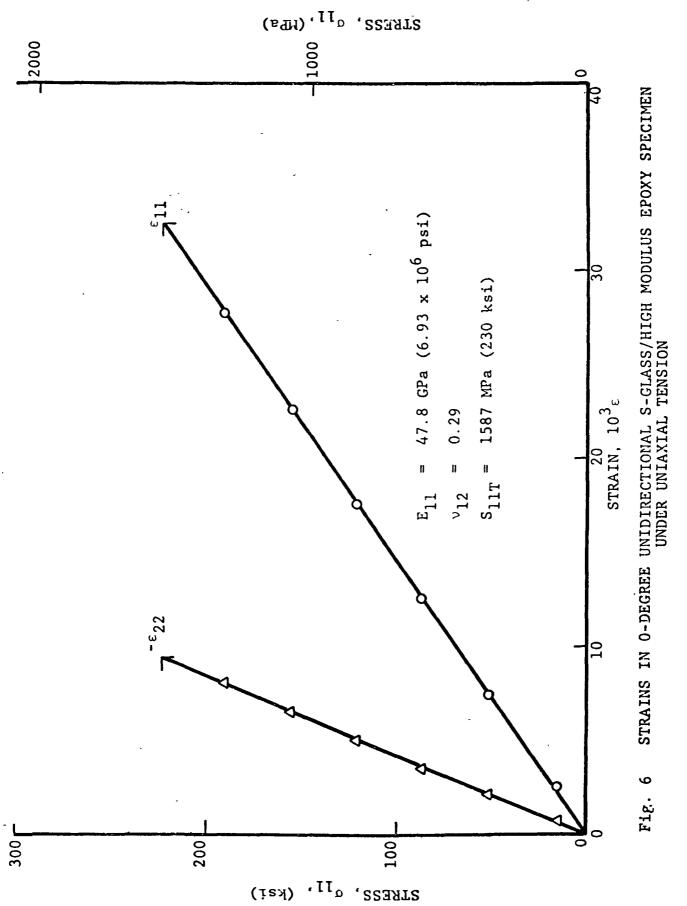
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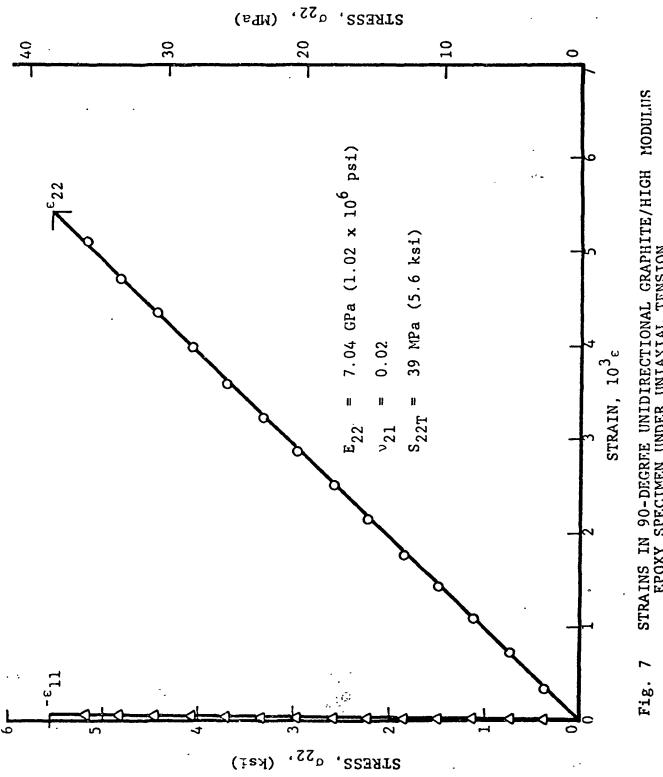


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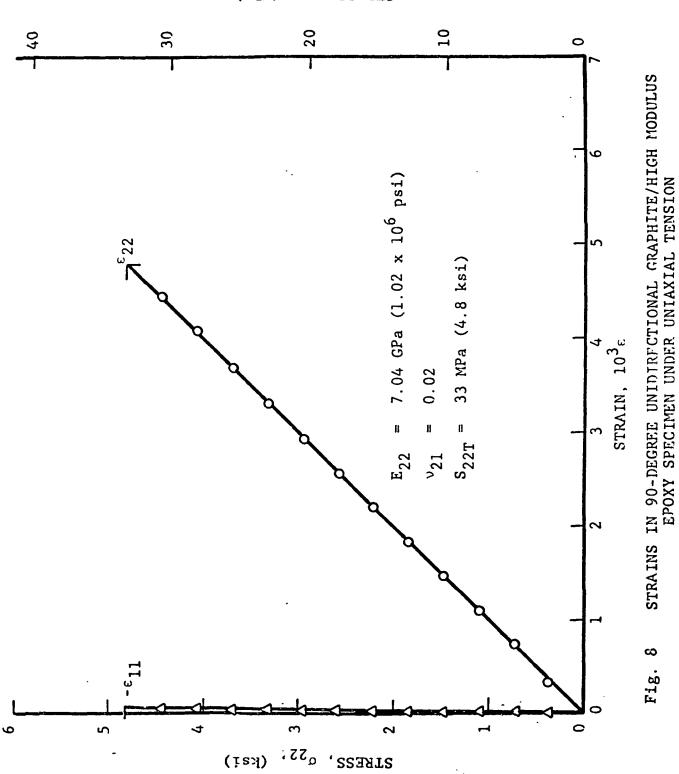








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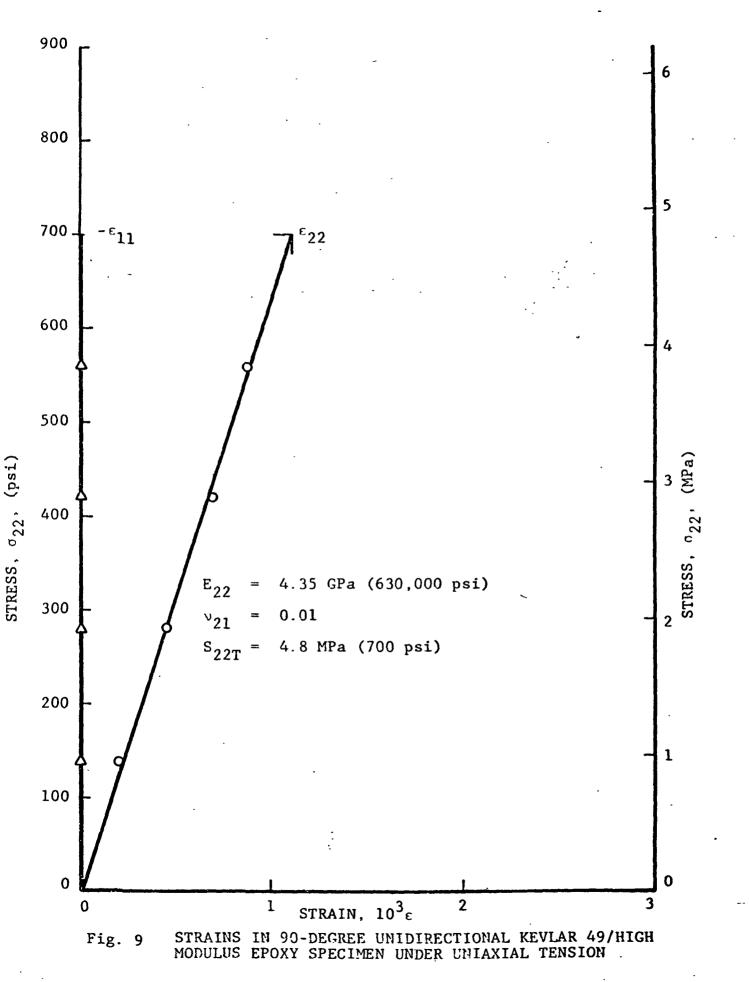


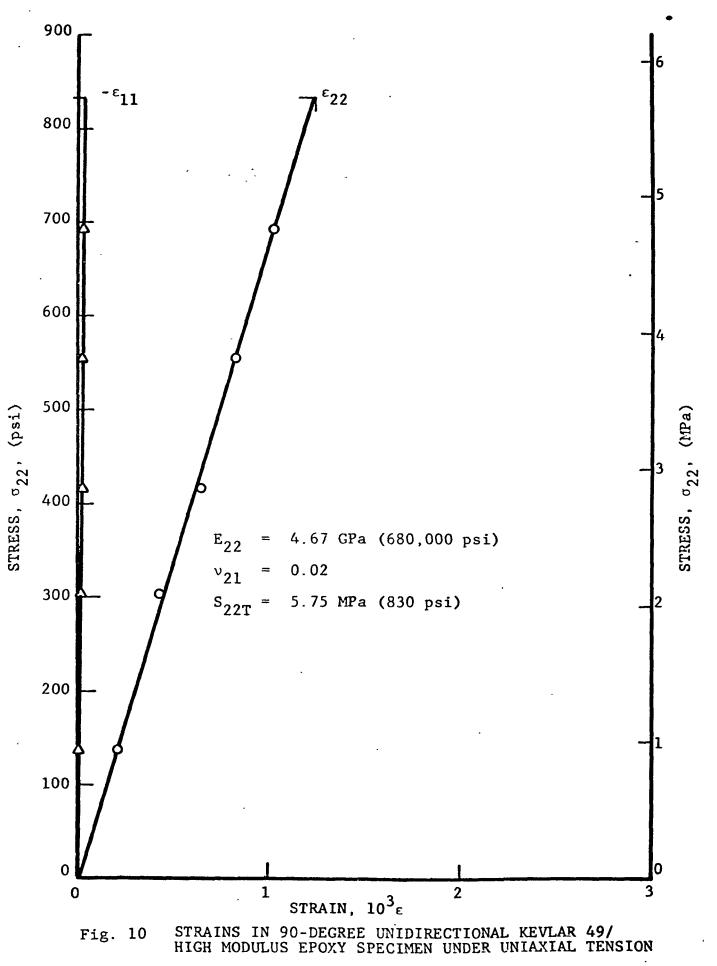
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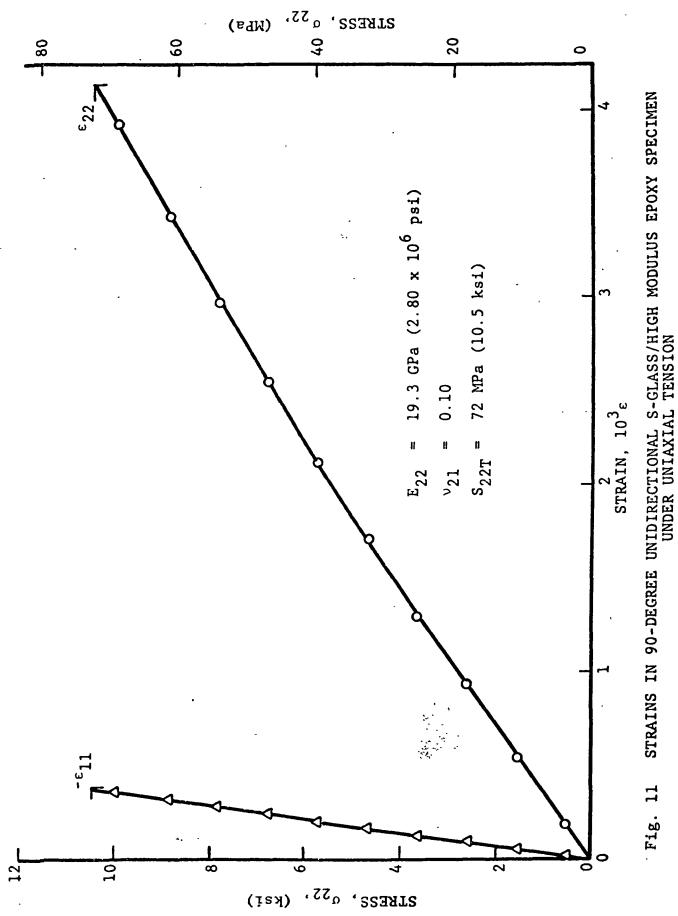
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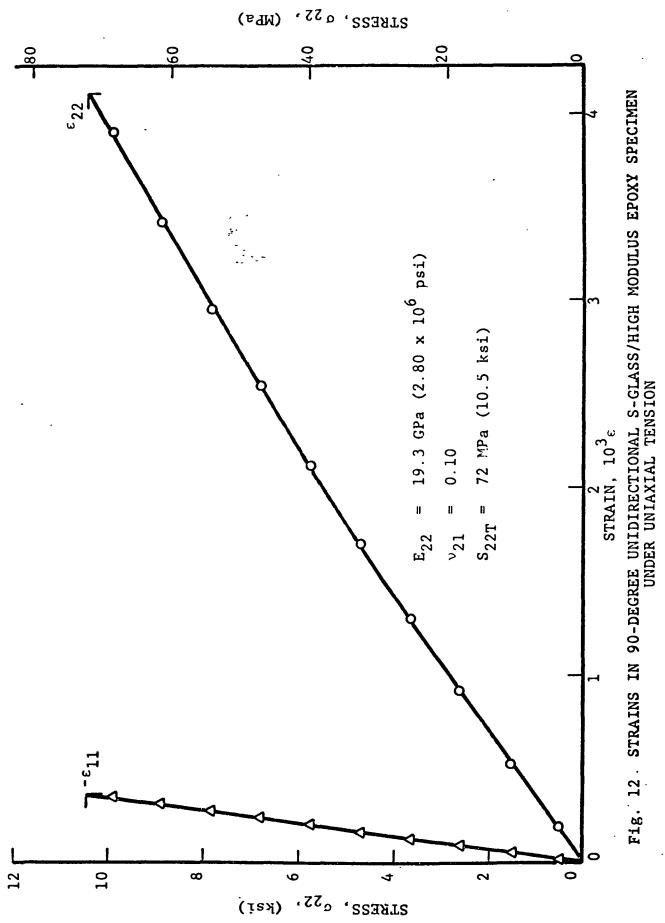
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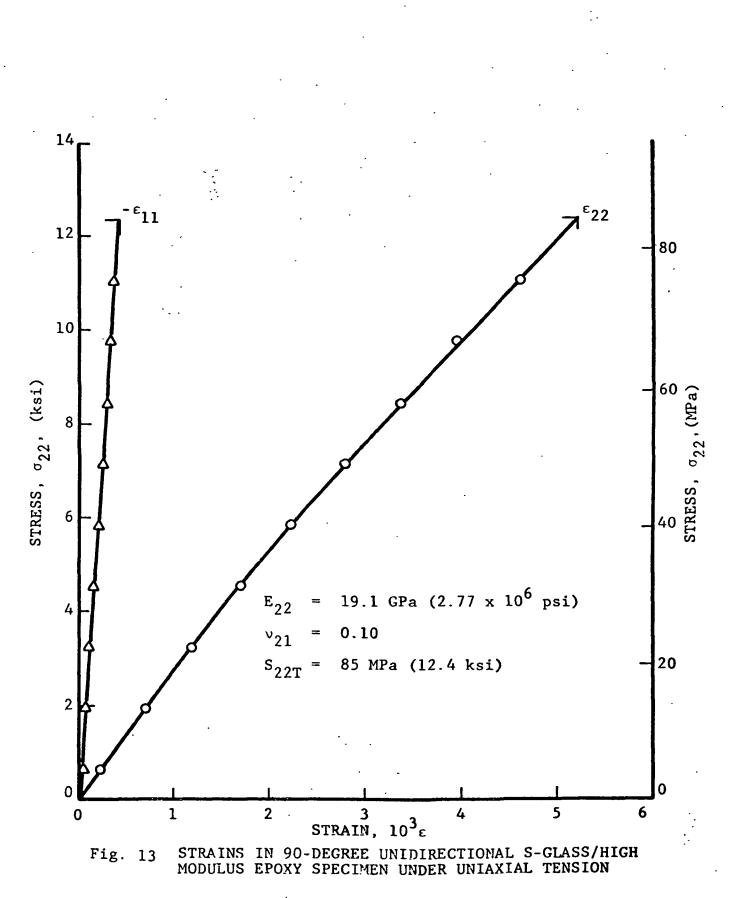












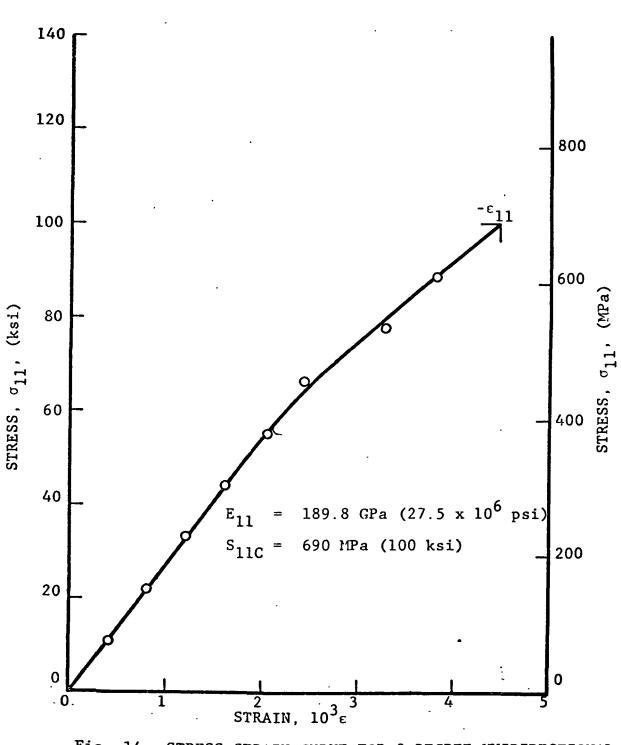


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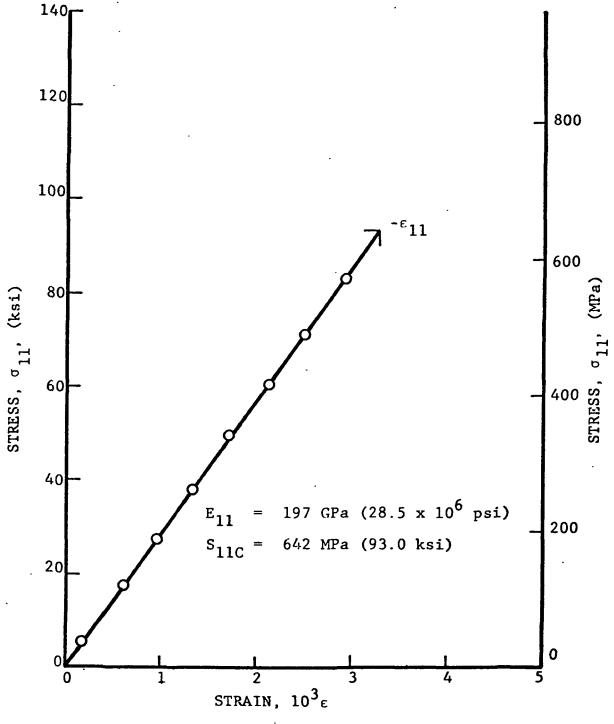


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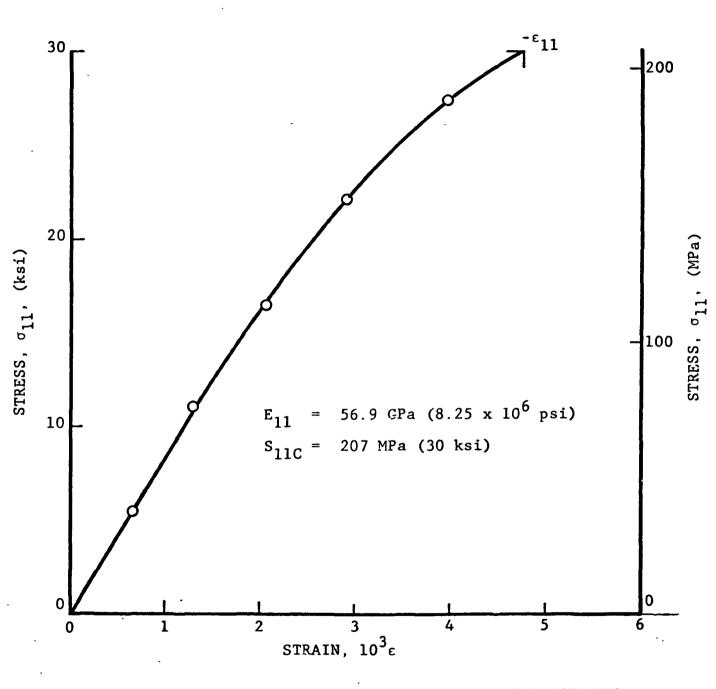


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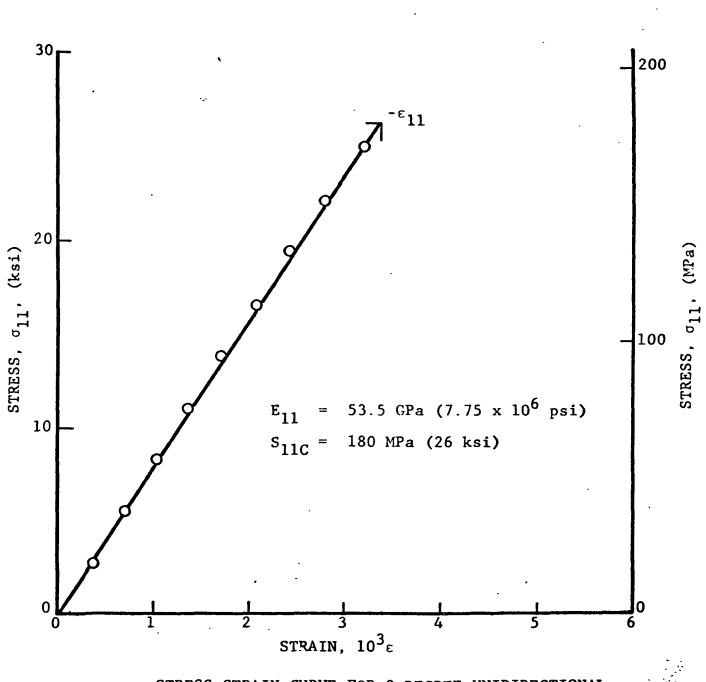
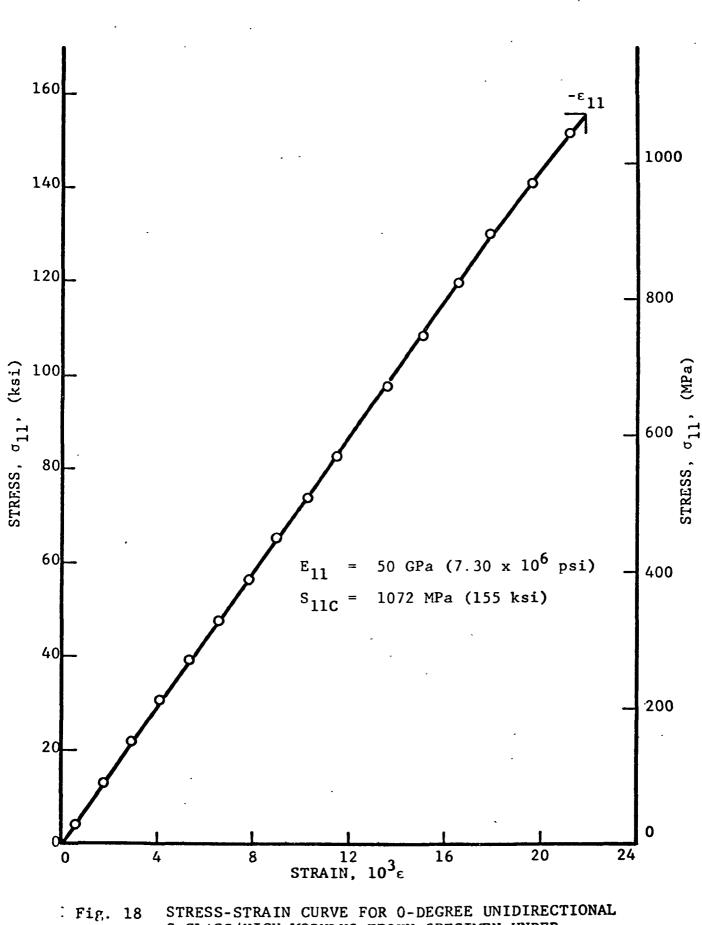
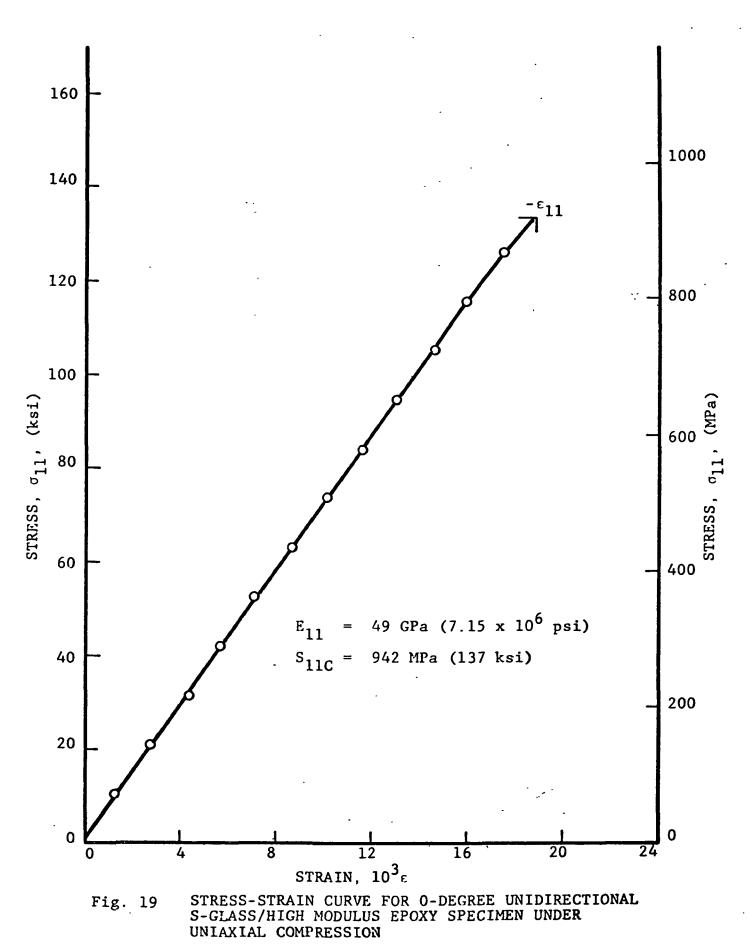


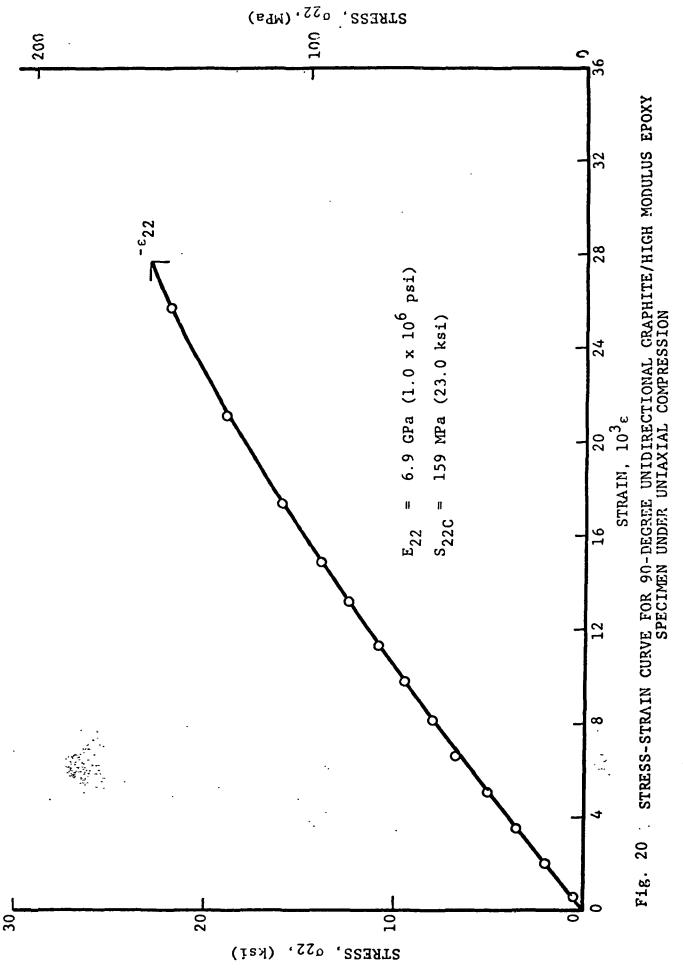
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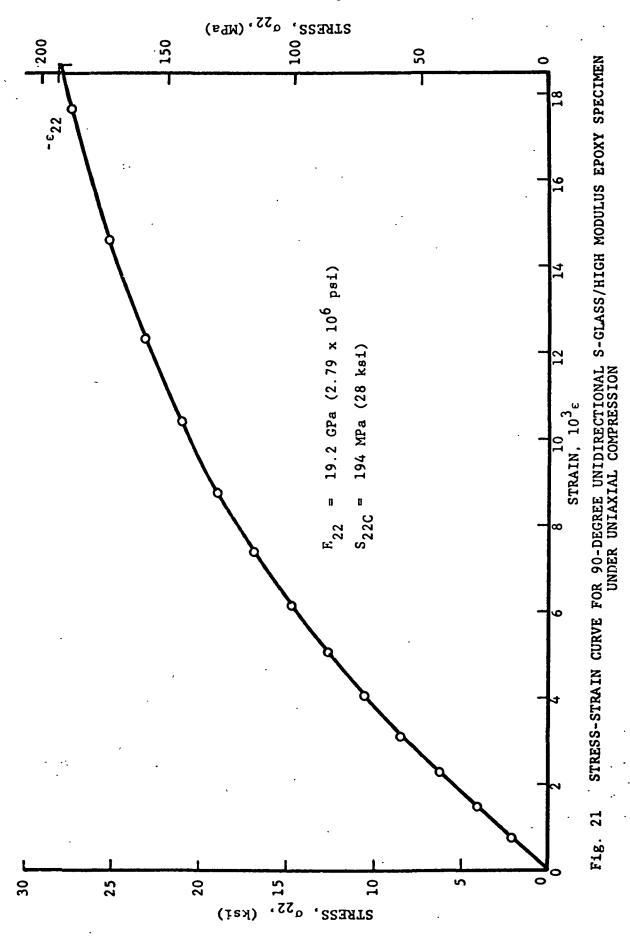


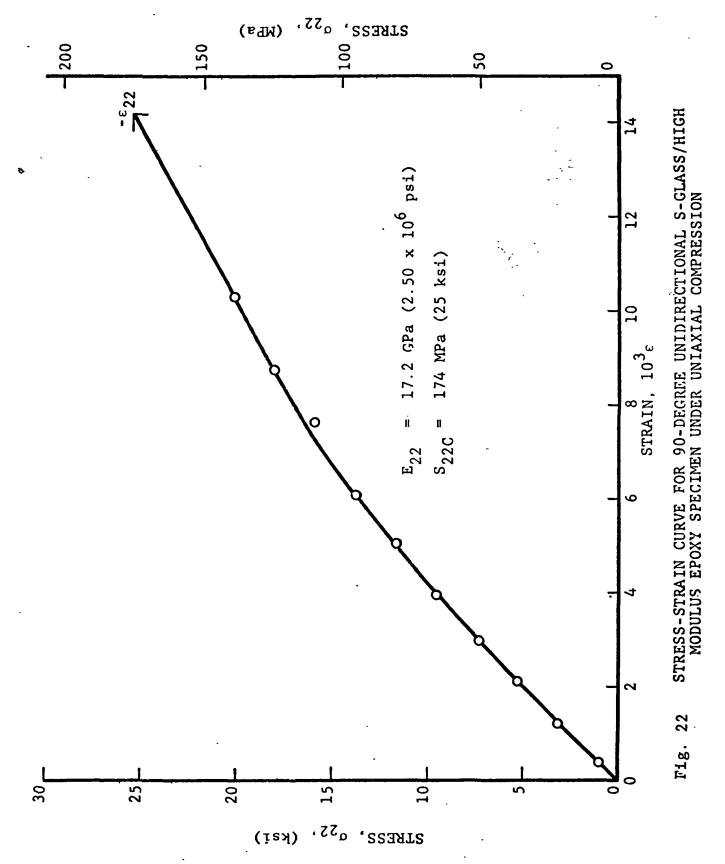
S-GLASS/HIGH MODULUS EPOXY SPECIMEN UNDER UNIAXIAL COMPRESSION



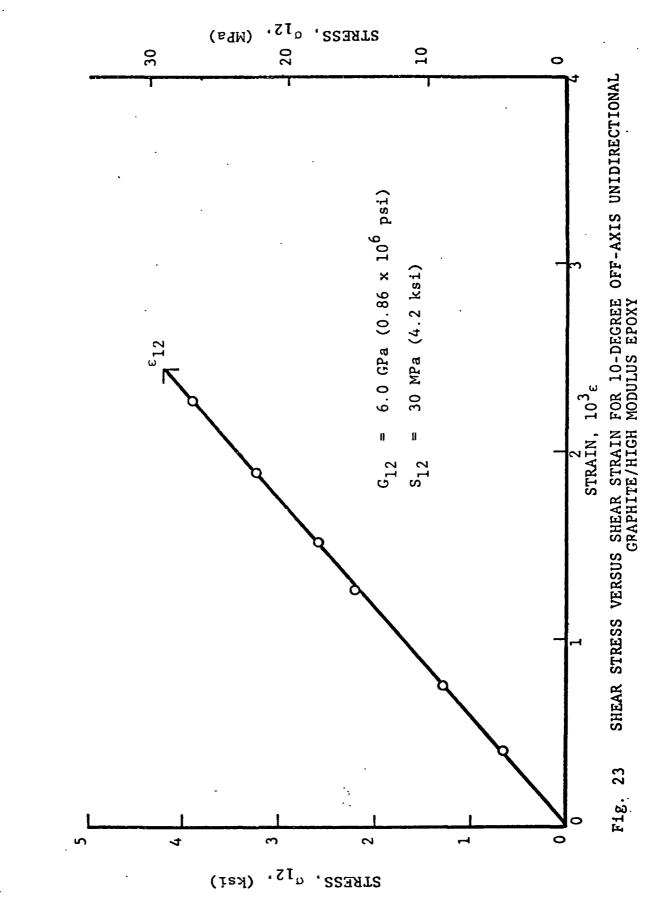
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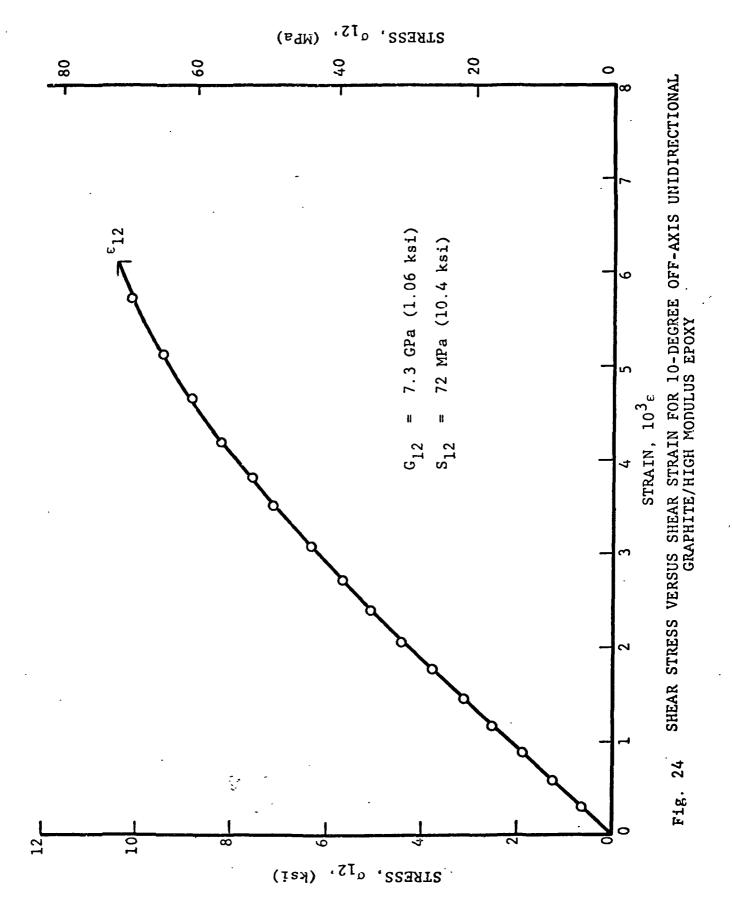


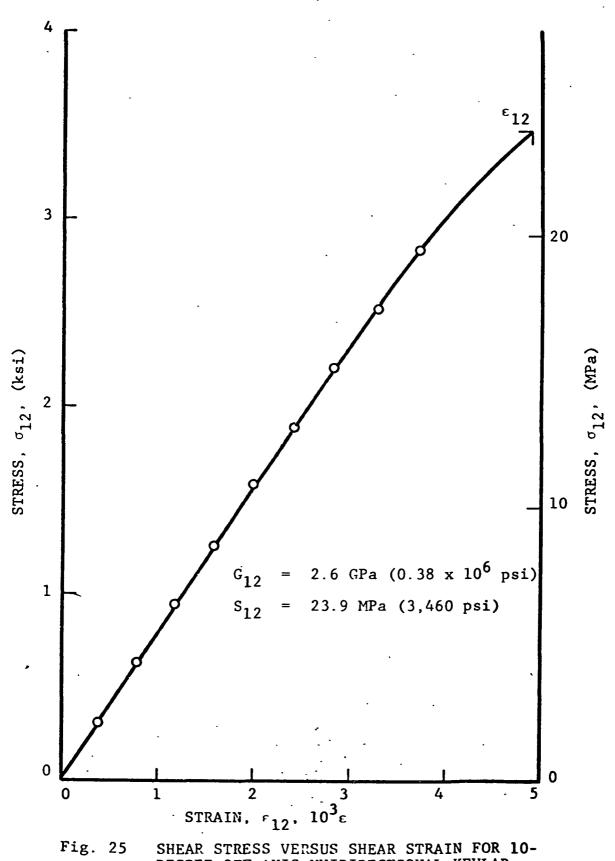


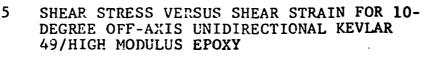












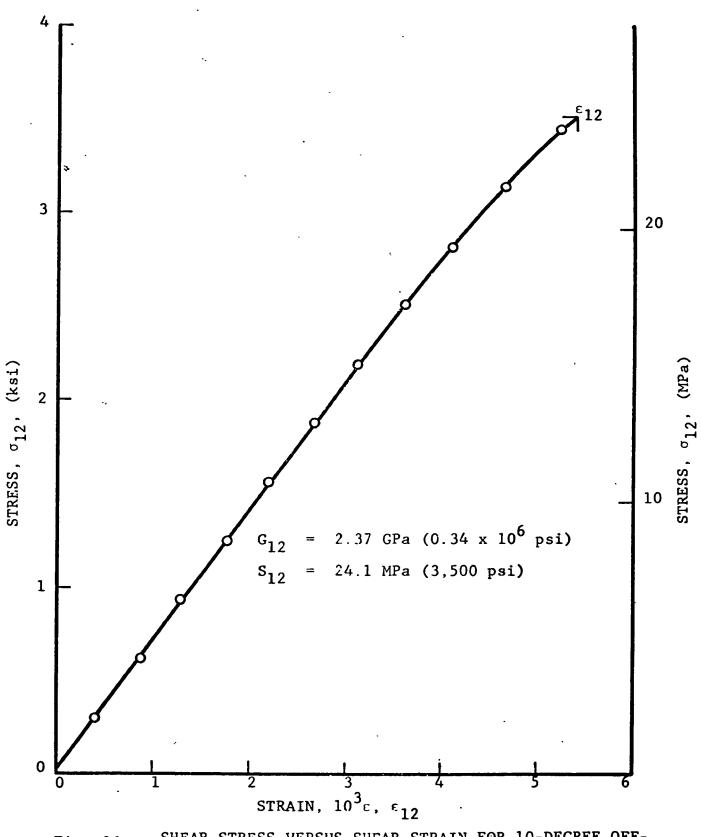
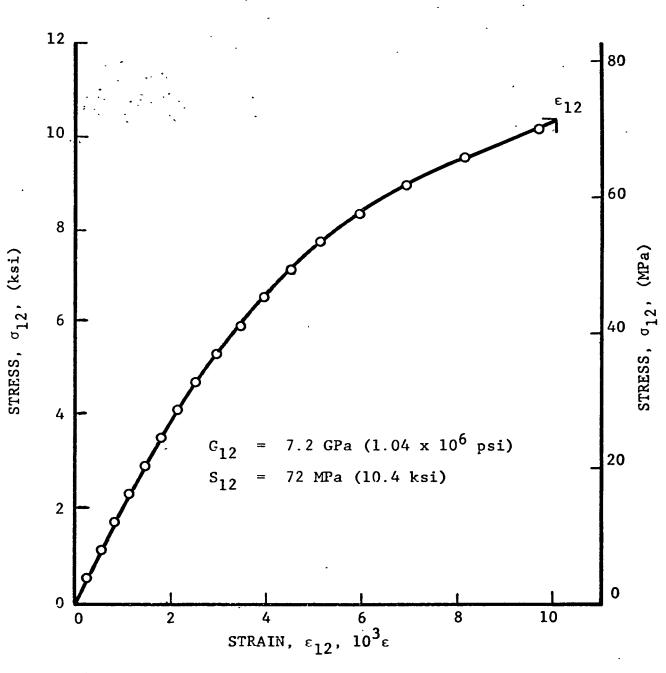
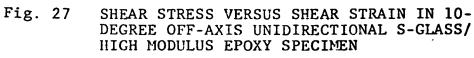
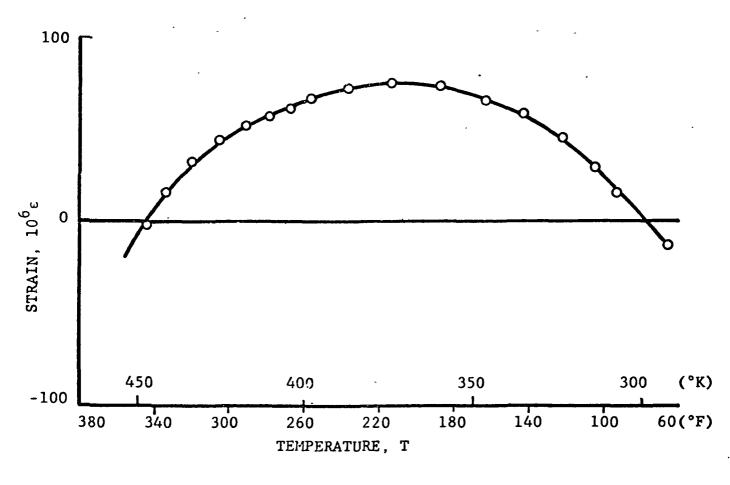
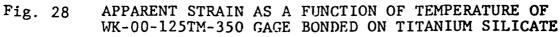


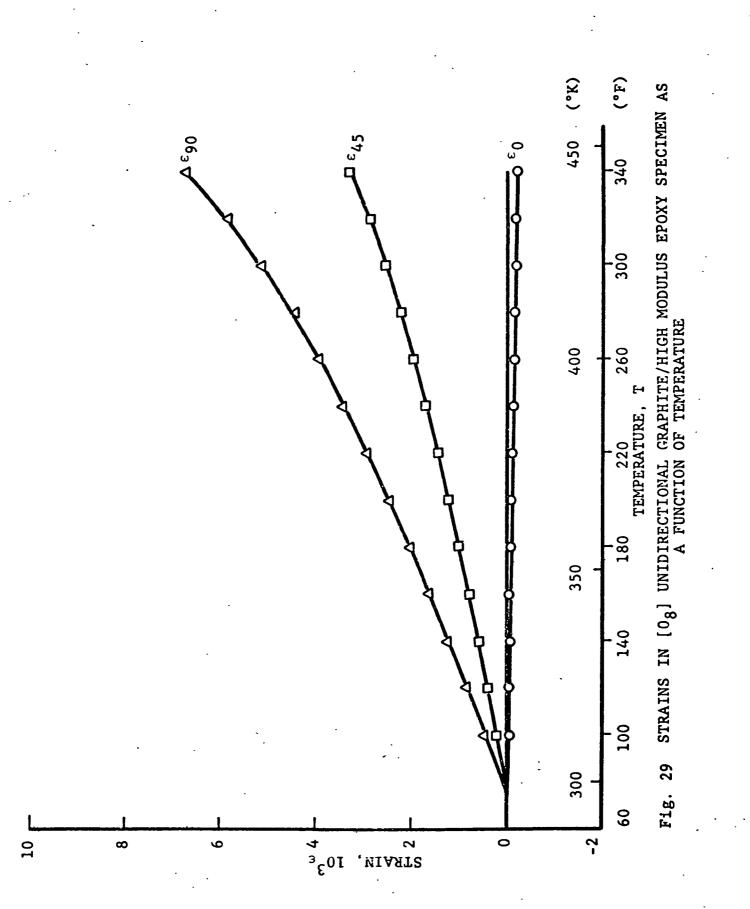
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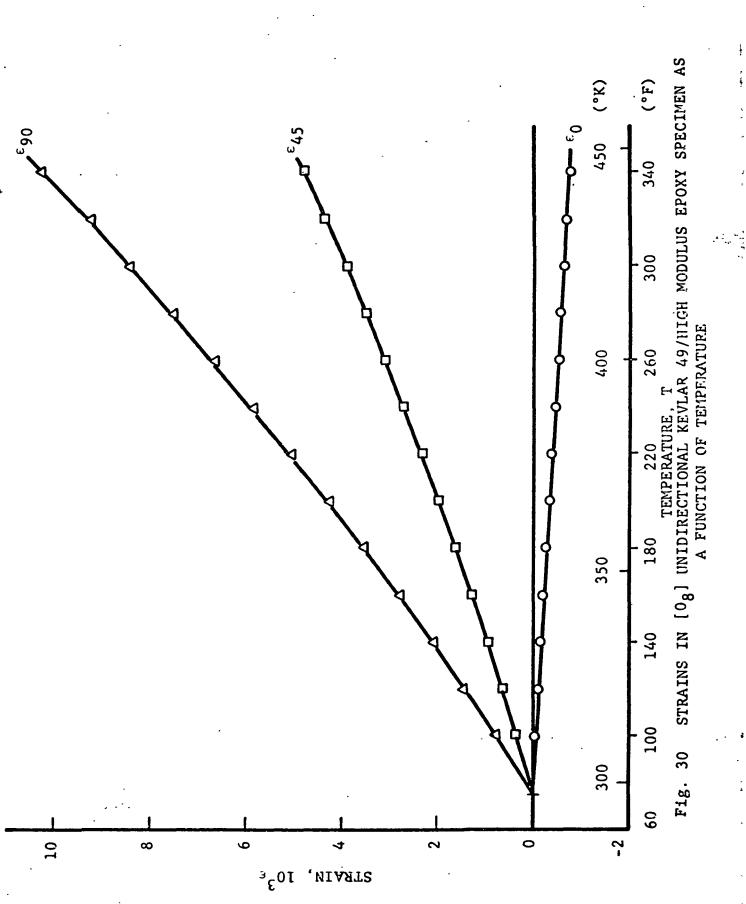


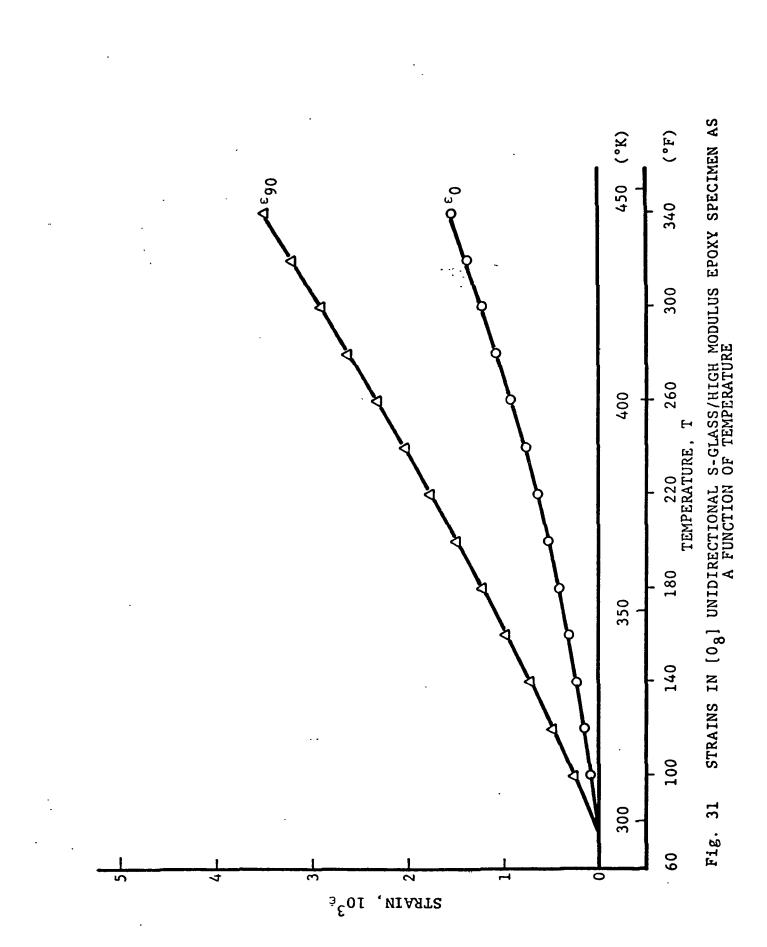


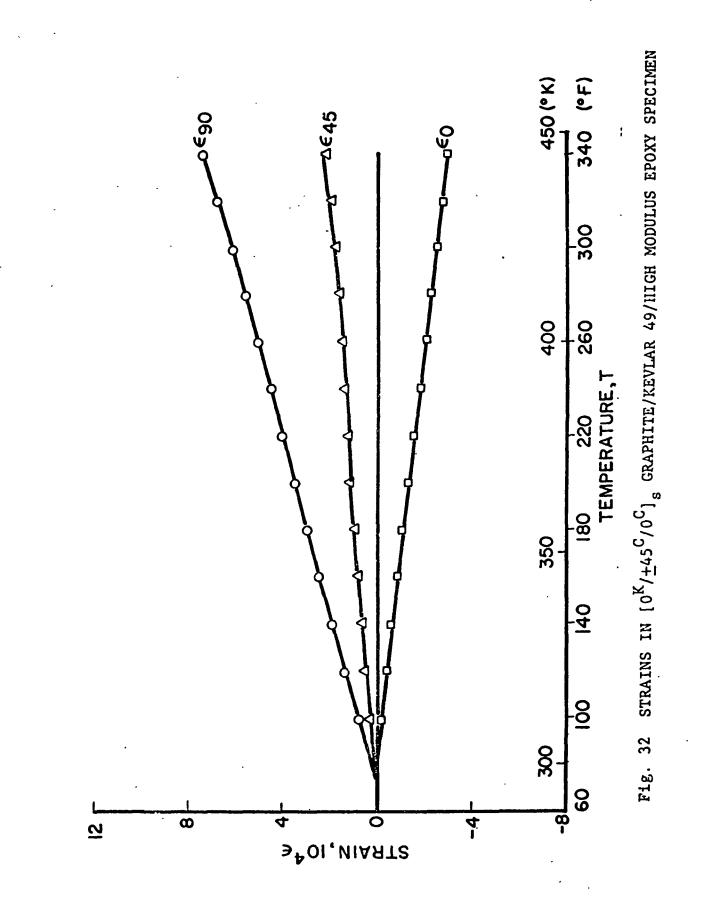




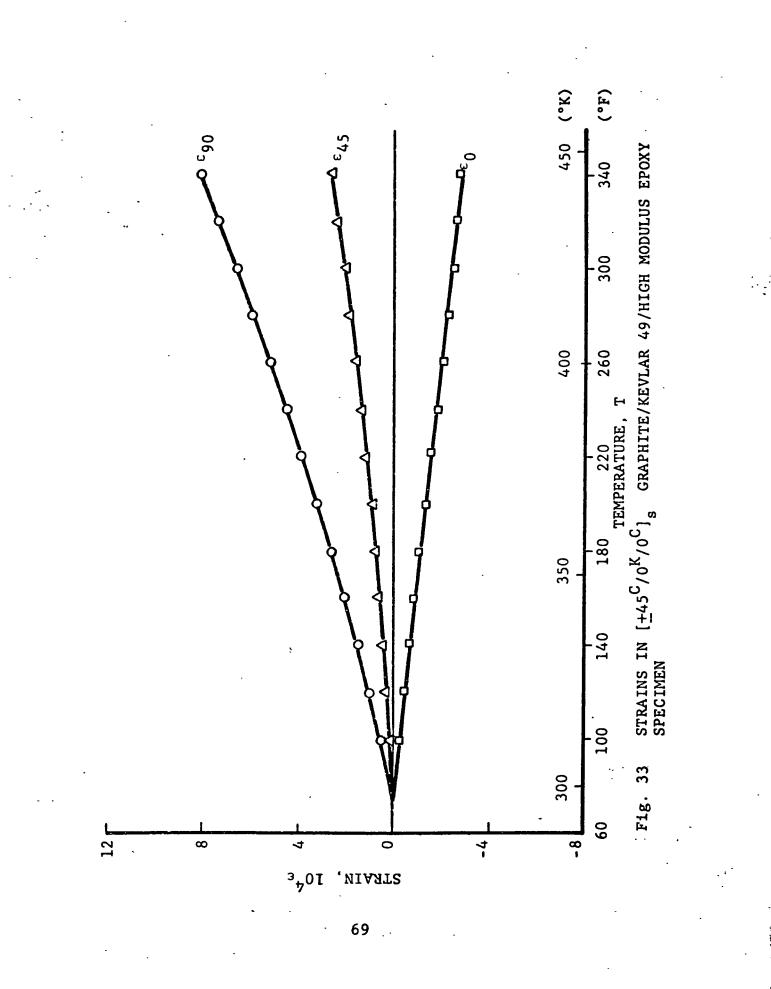
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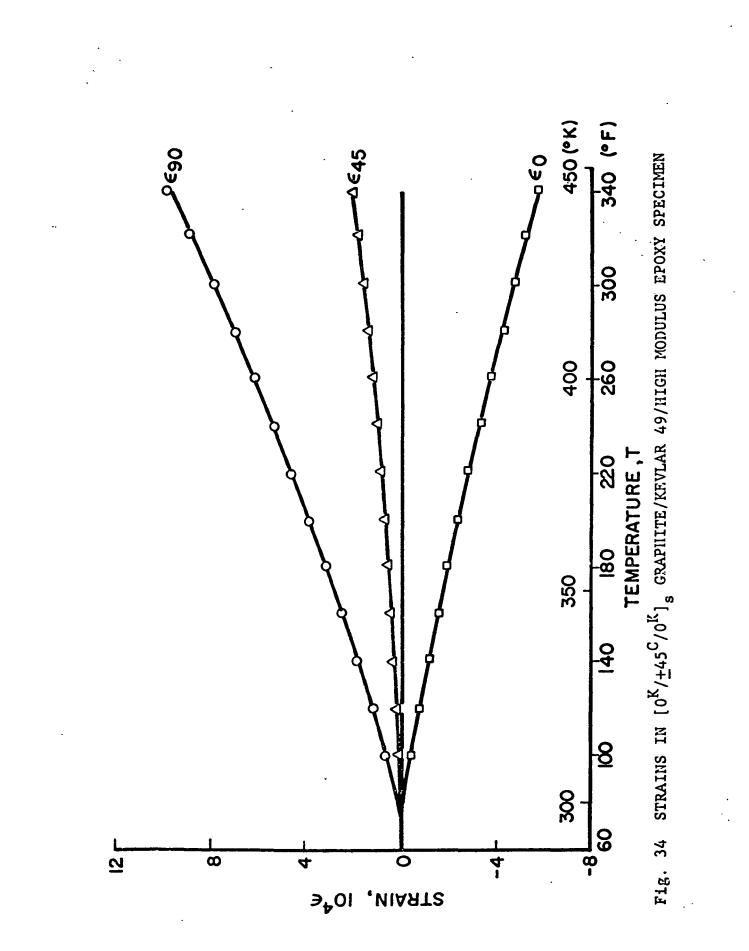


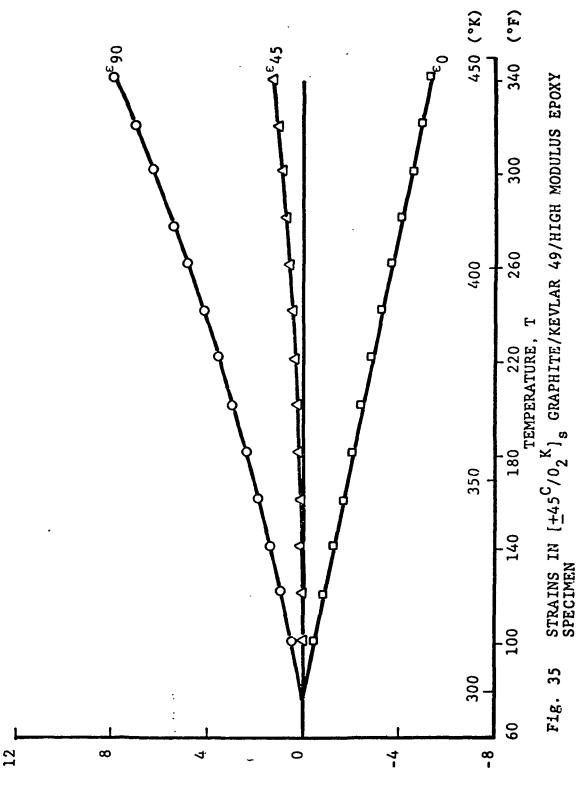




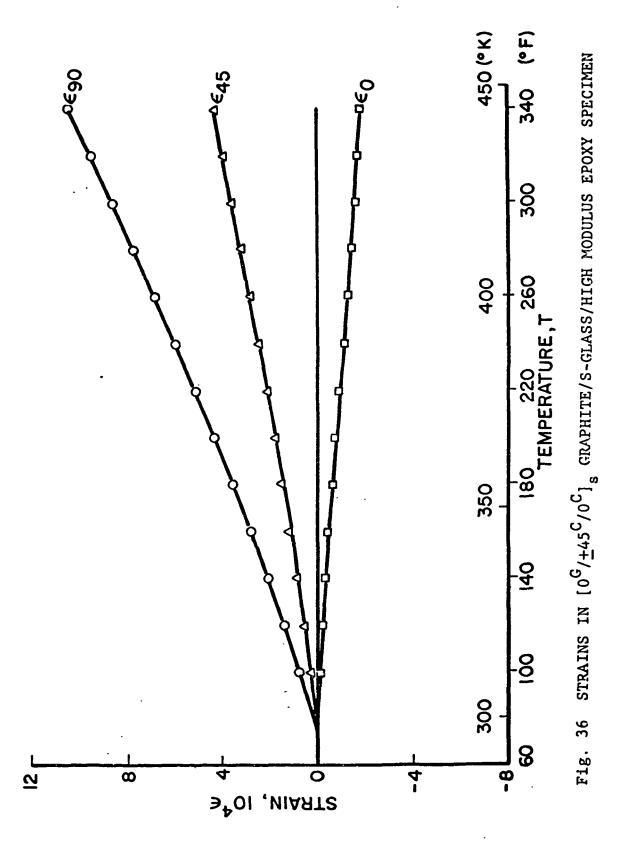




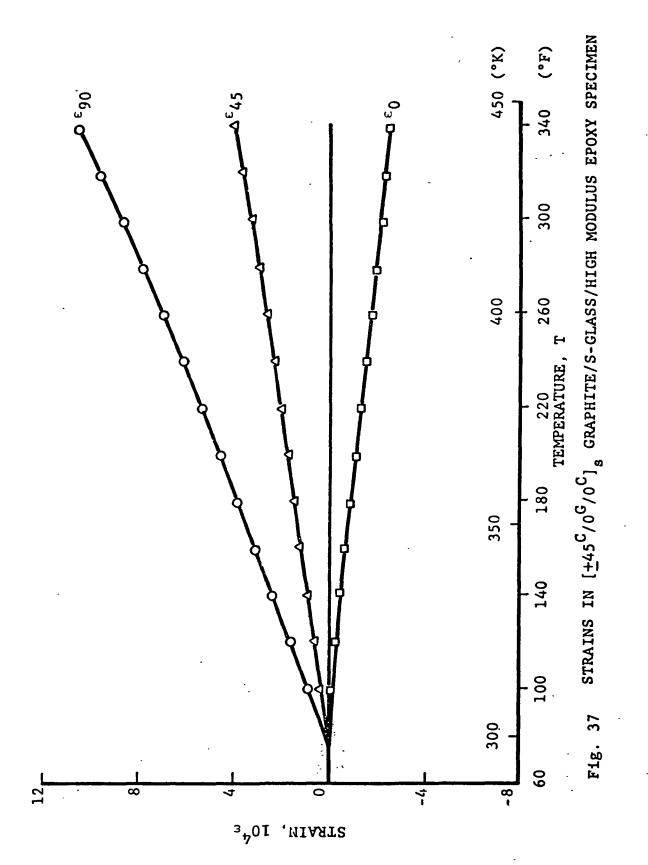


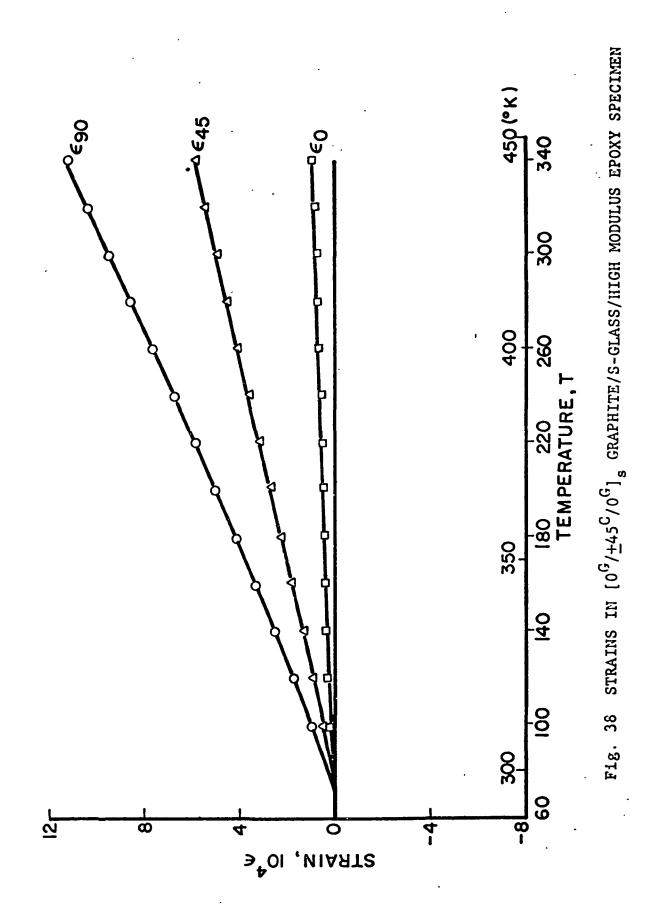


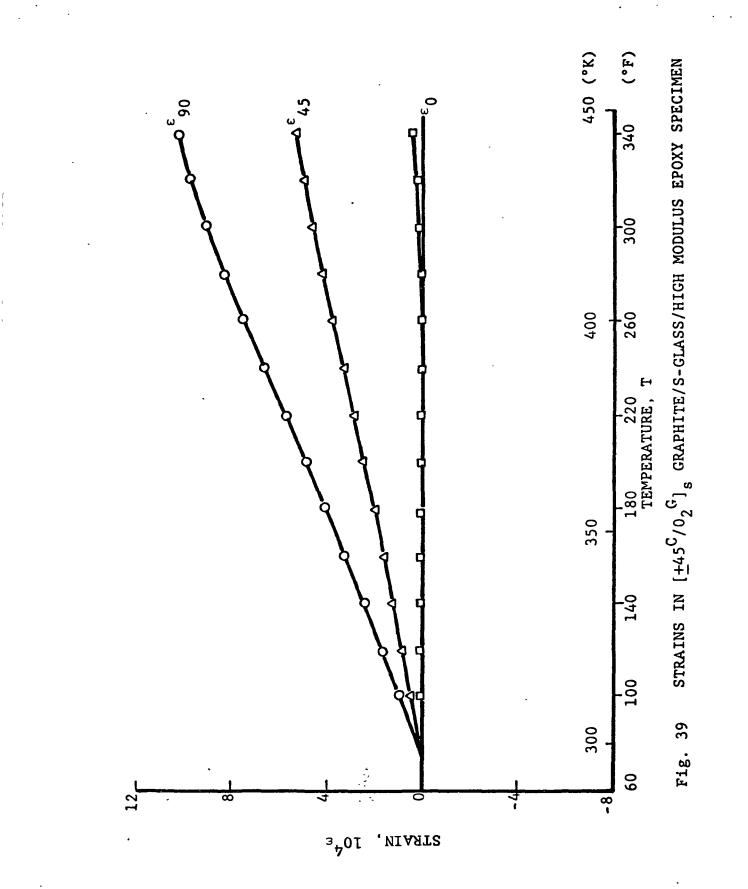
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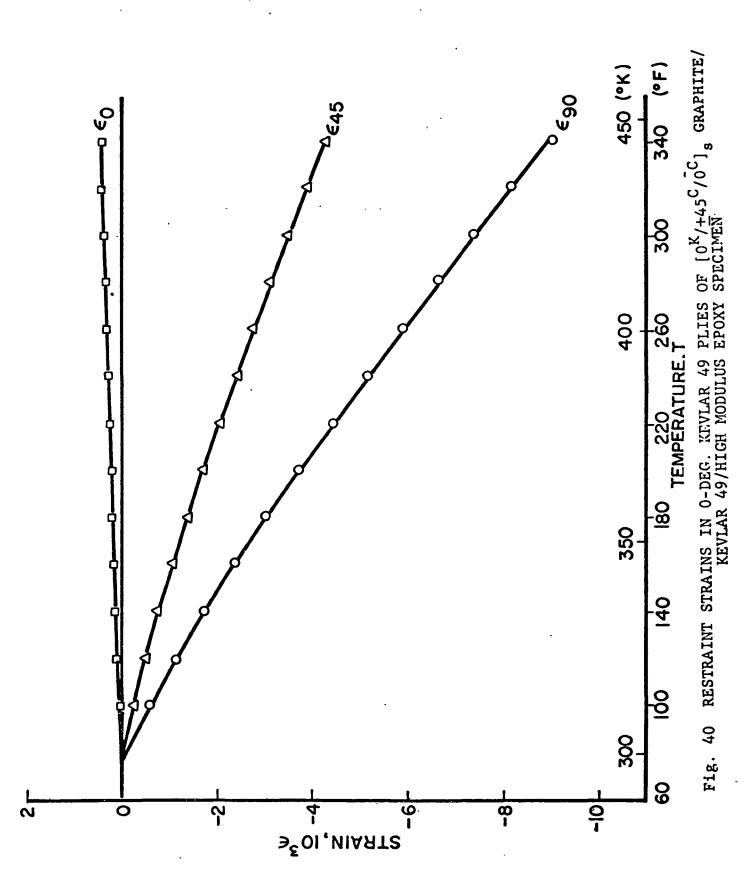


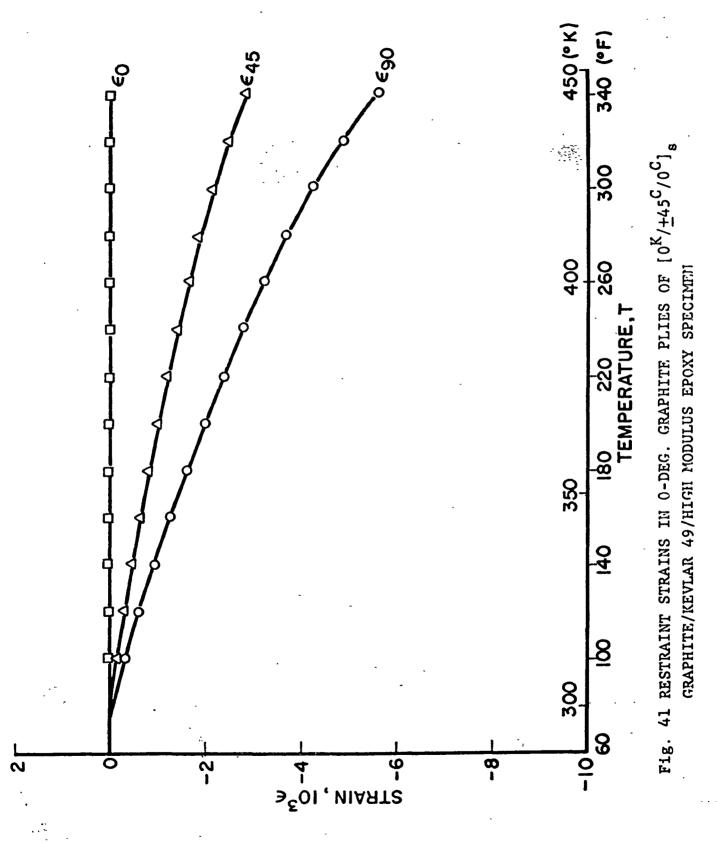


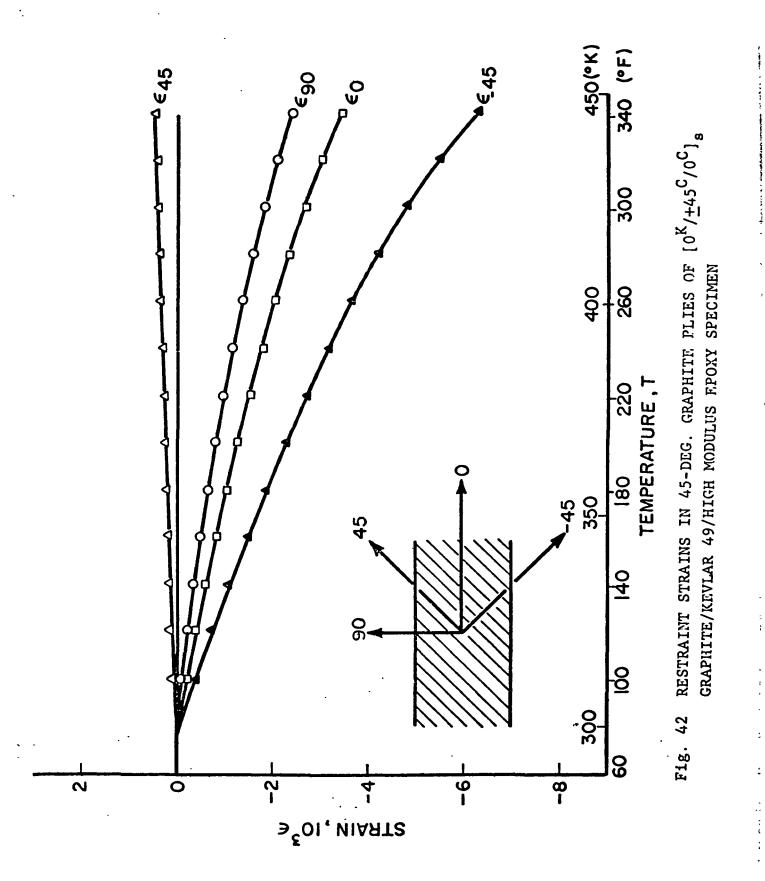


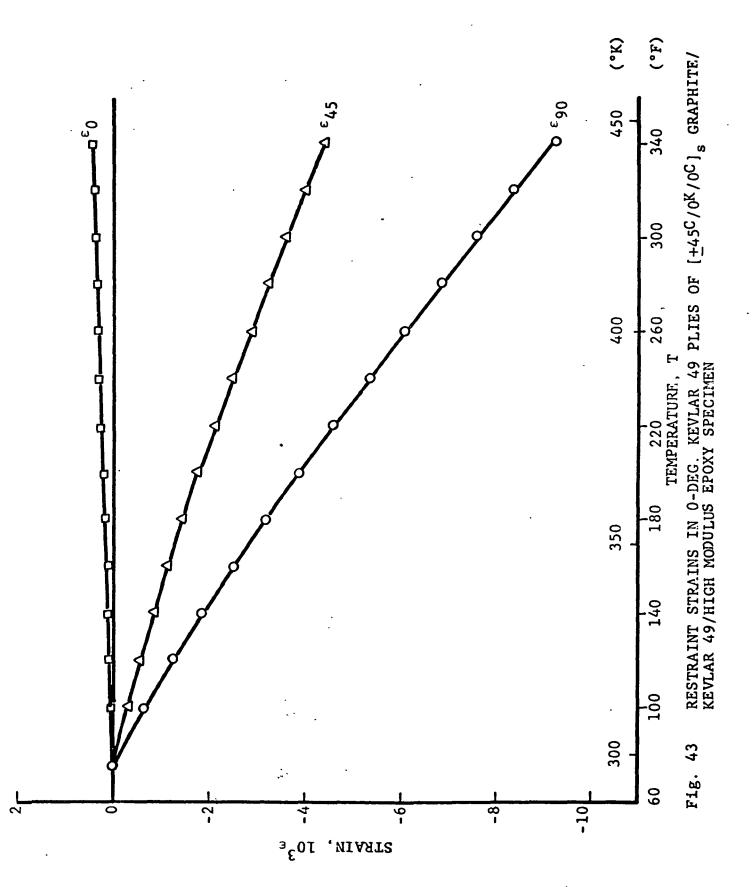


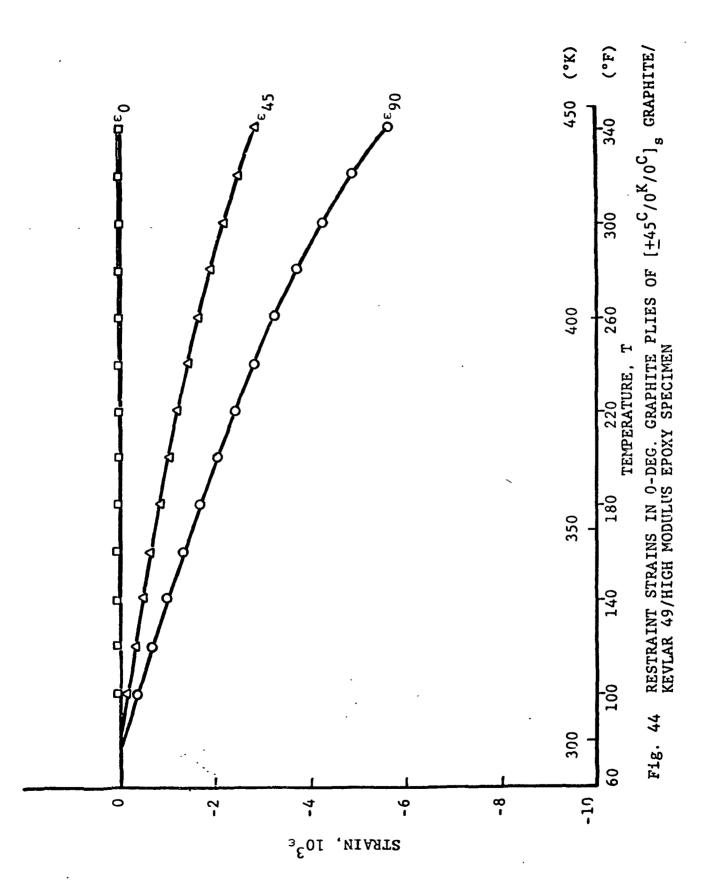


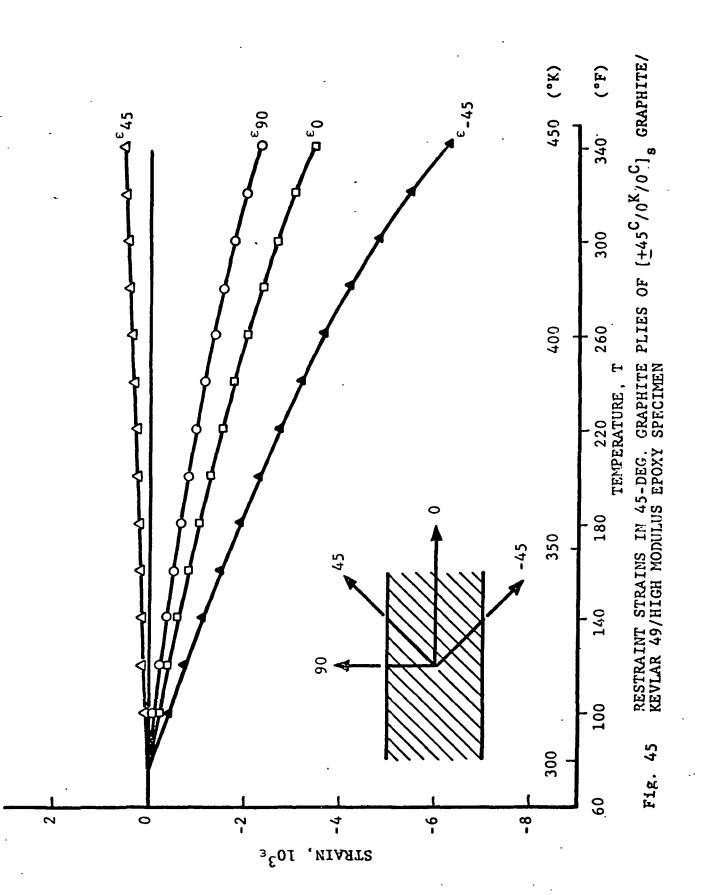


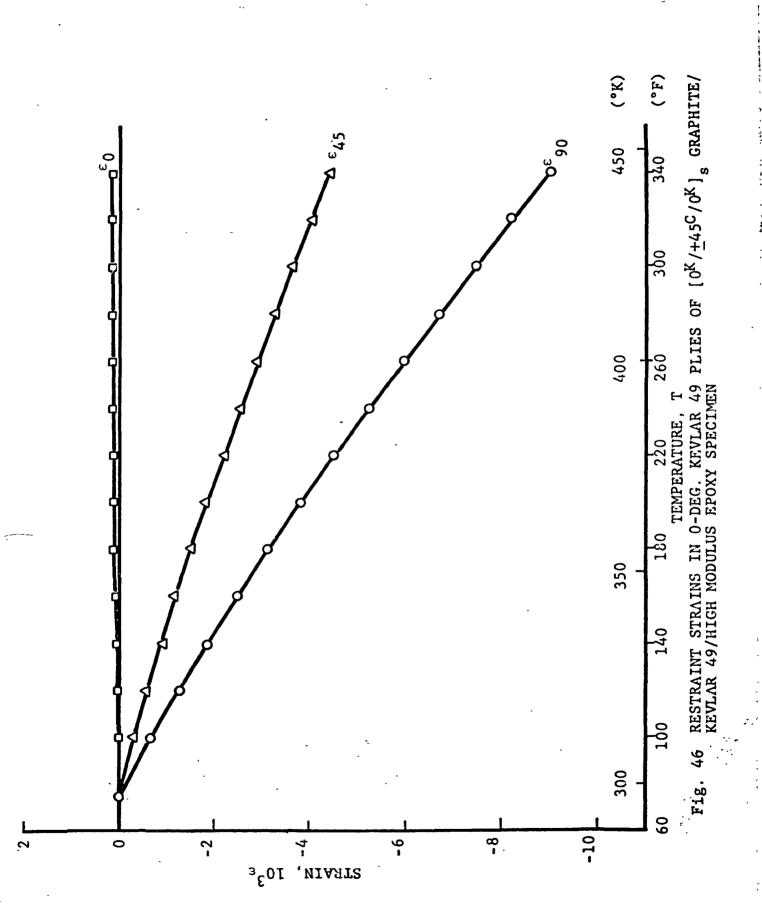


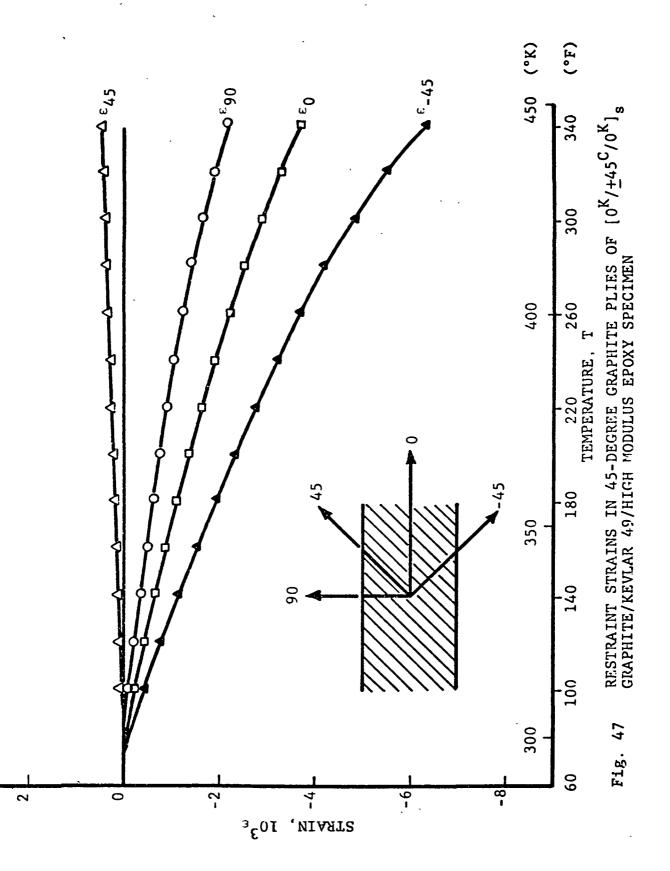


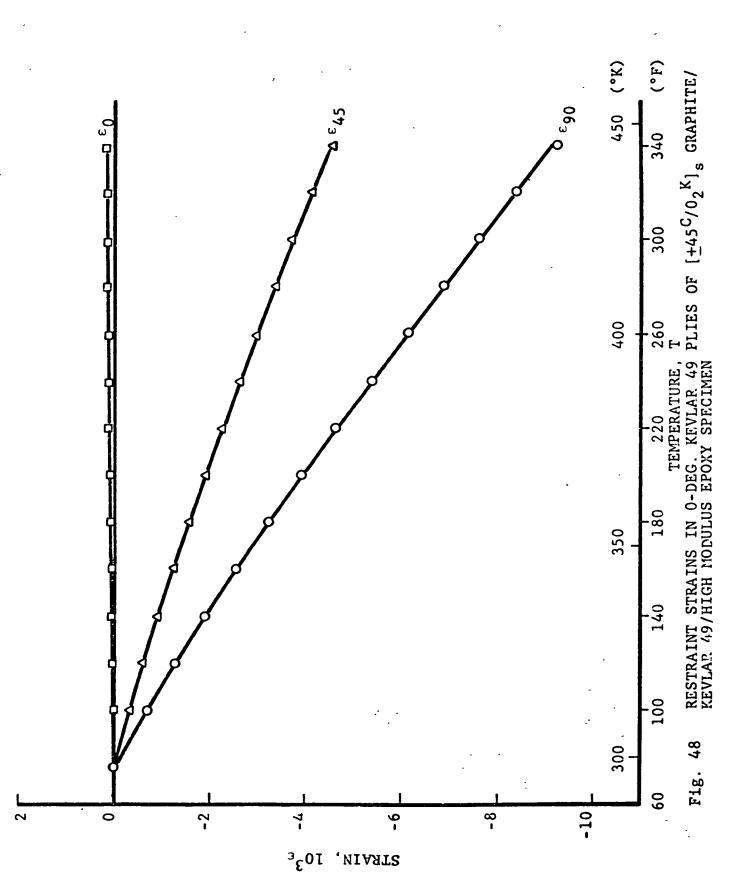




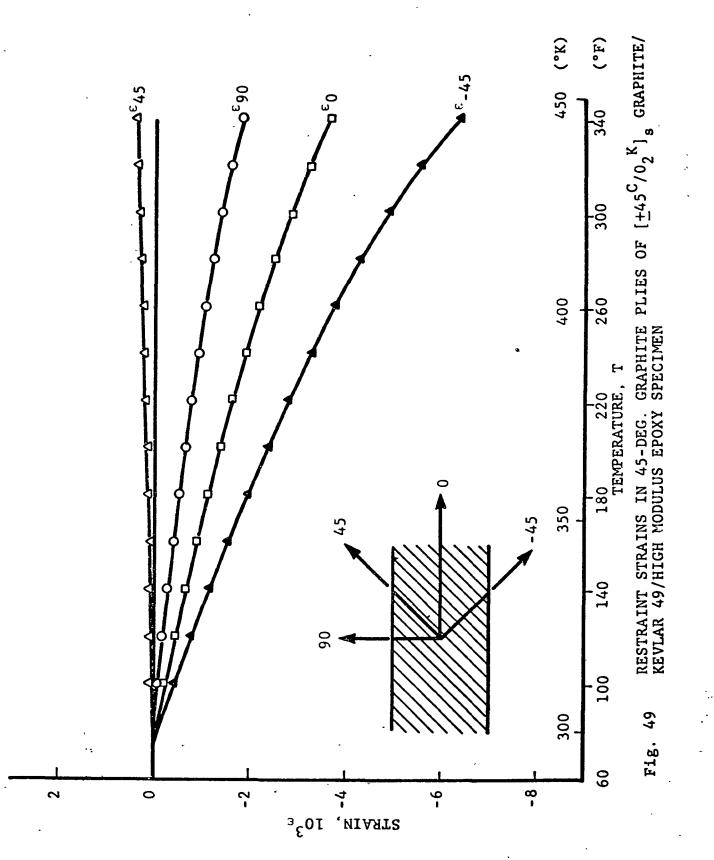






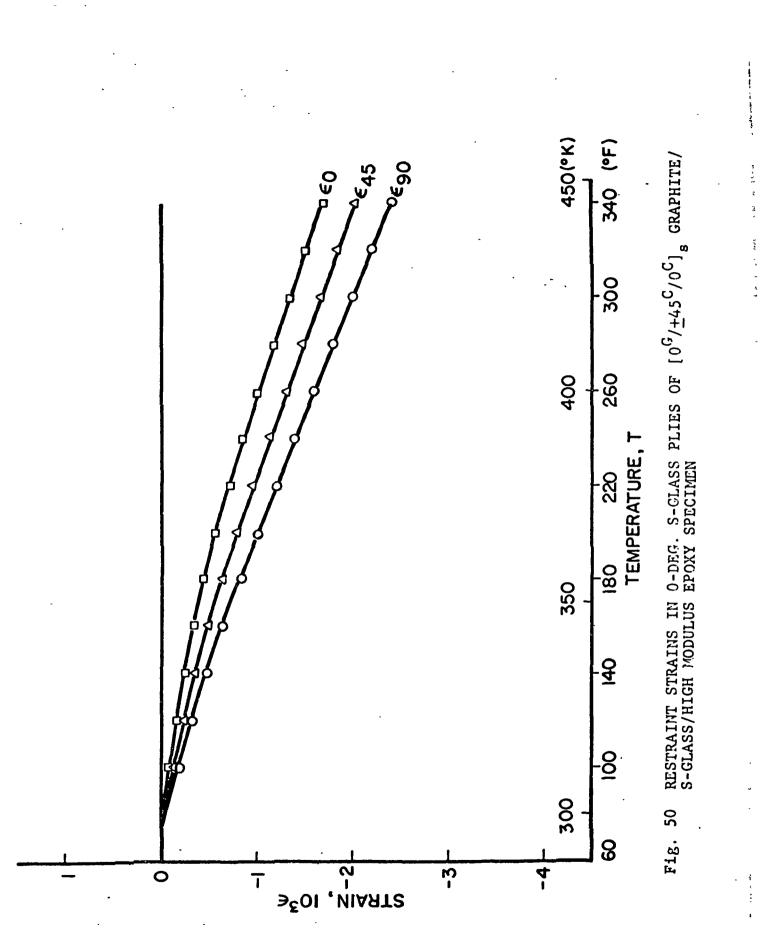


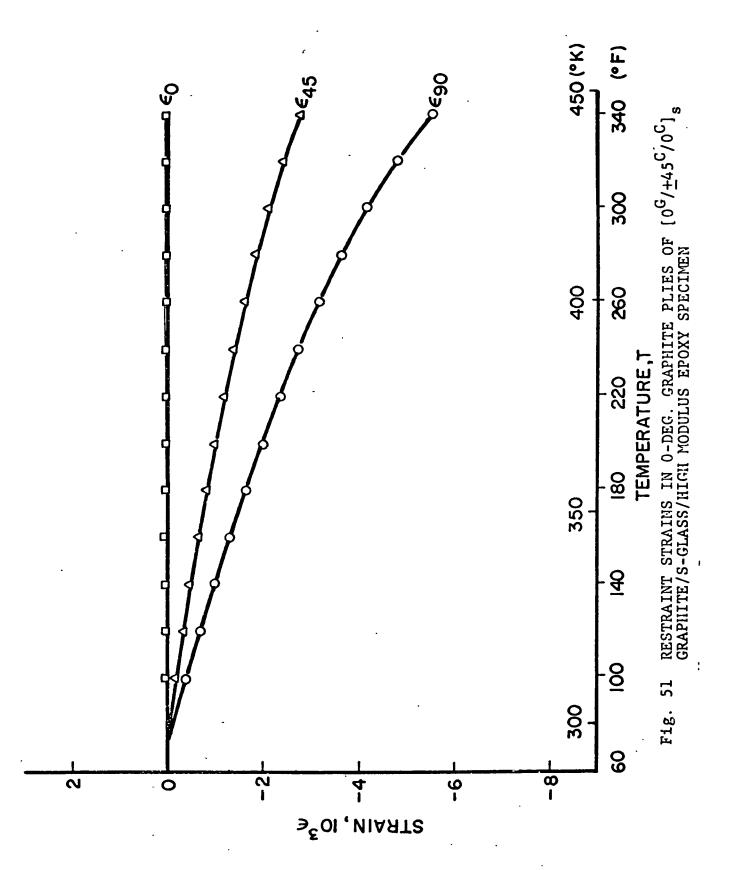


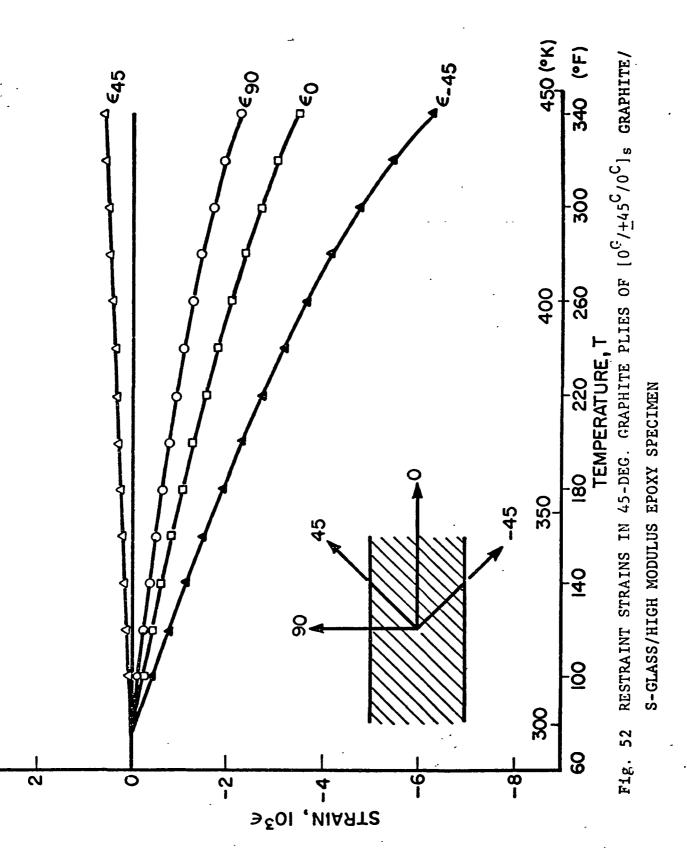


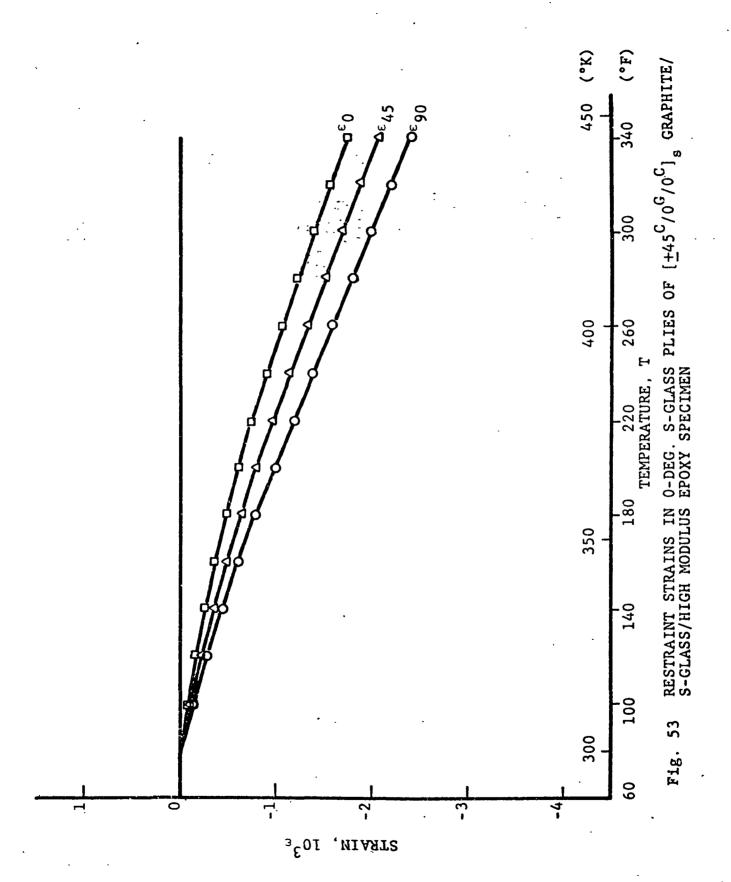
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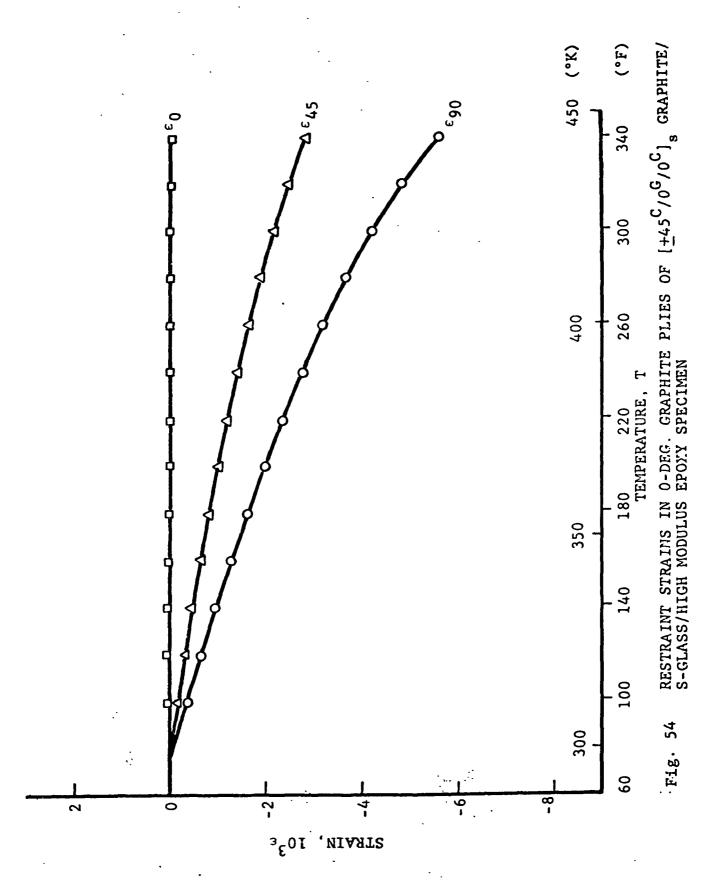
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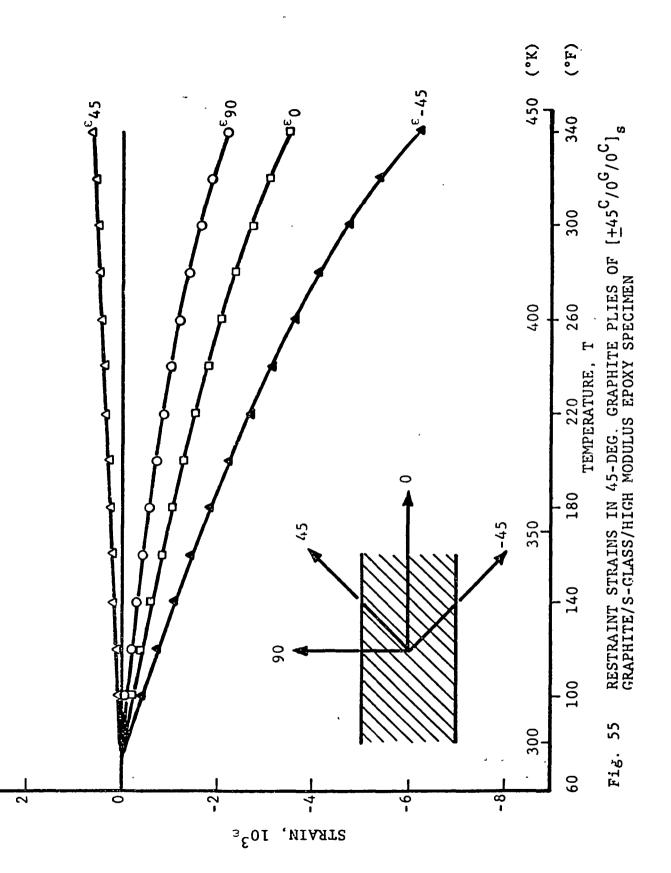


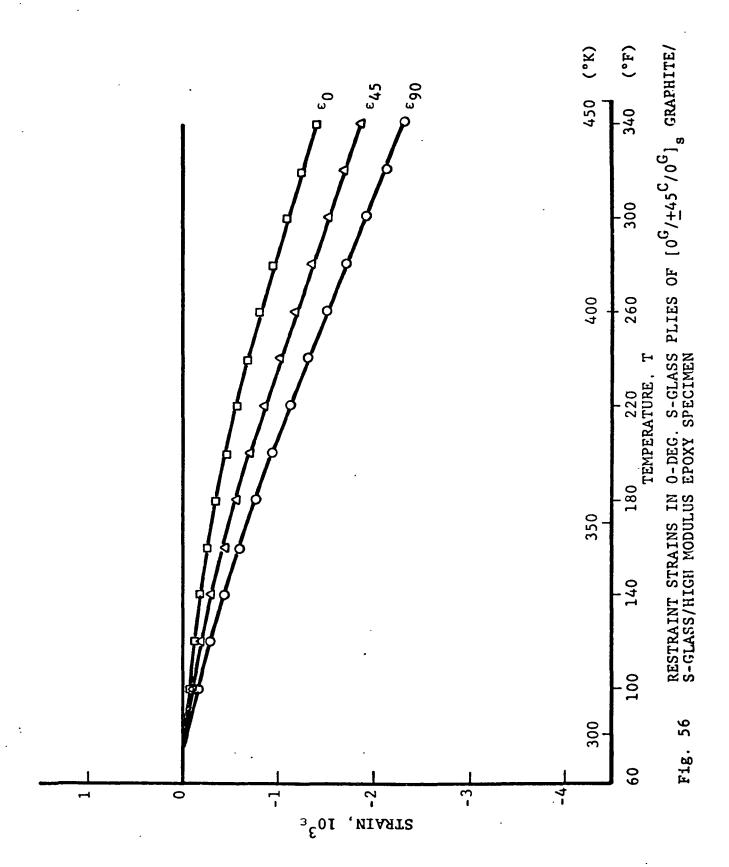


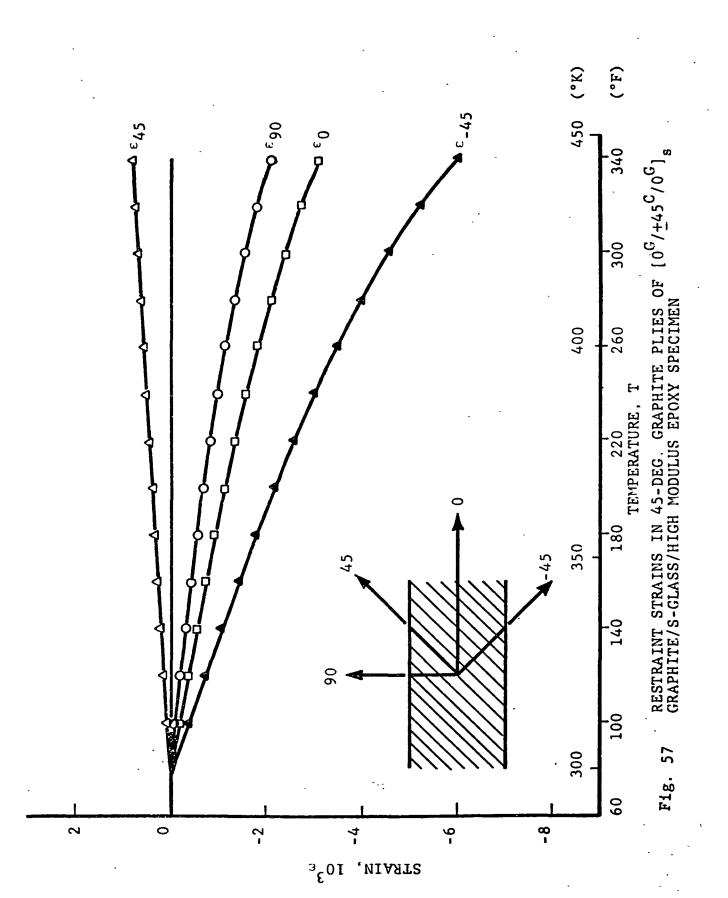


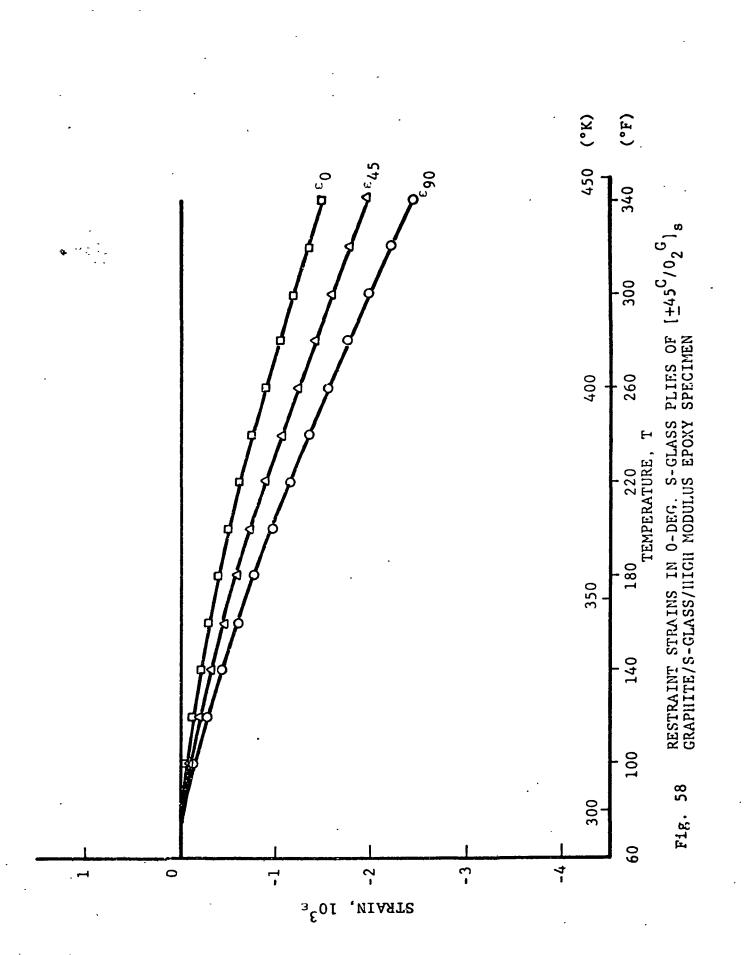


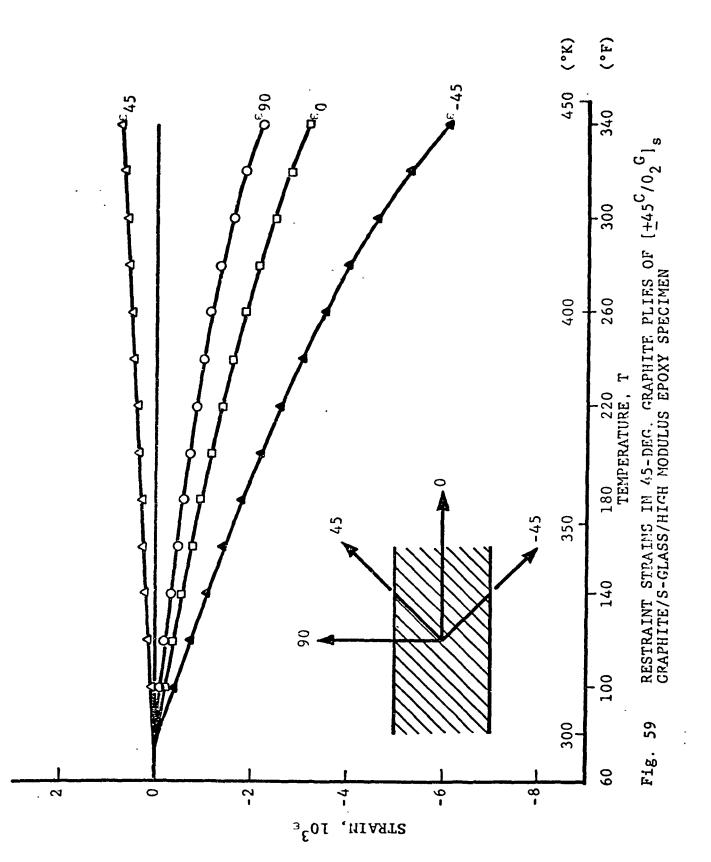








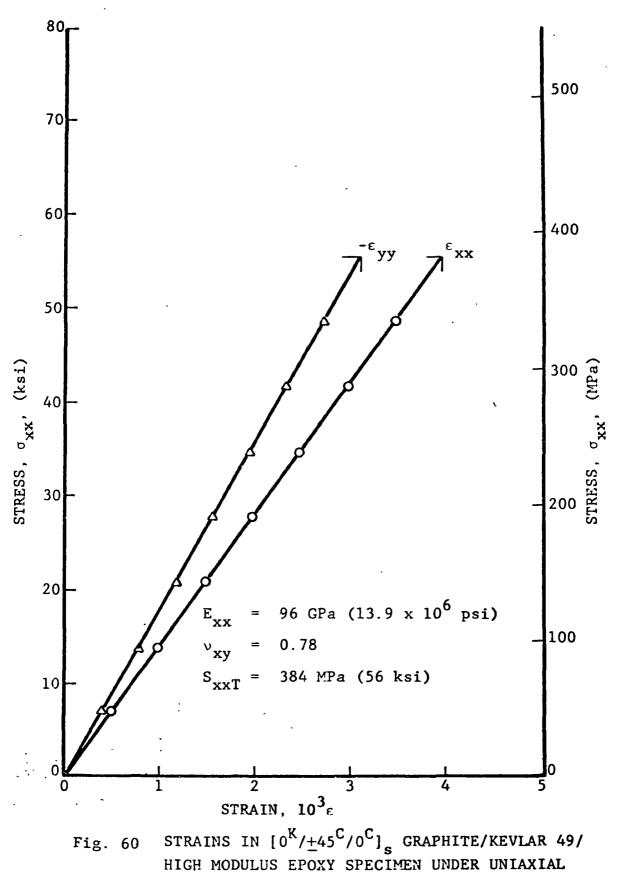




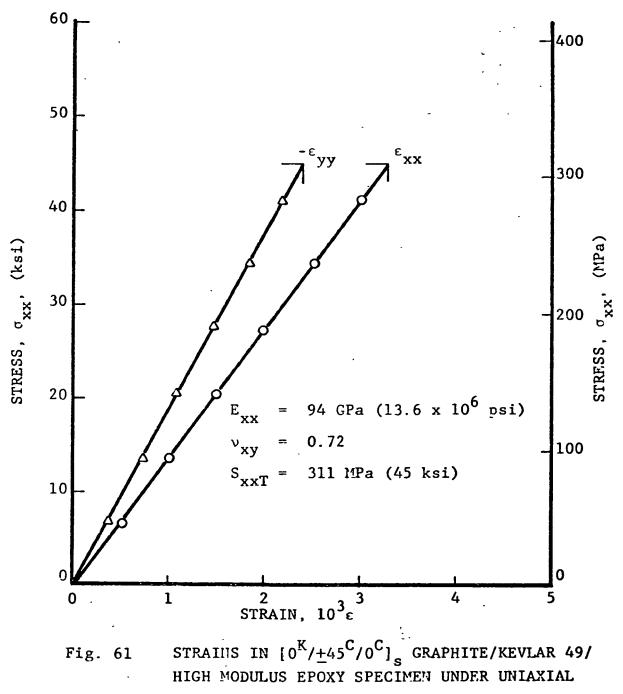
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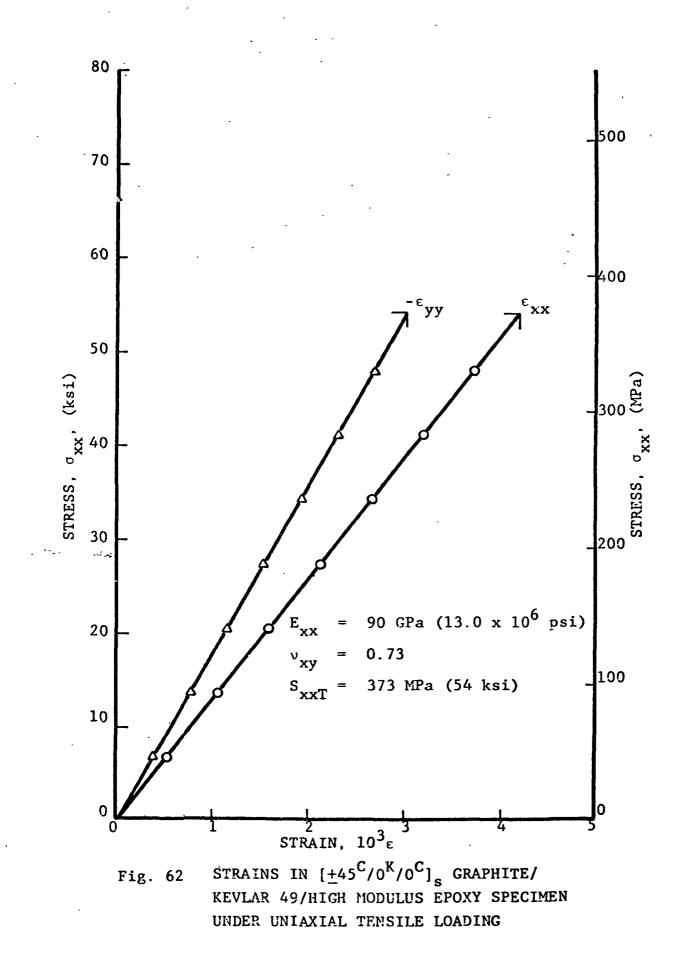
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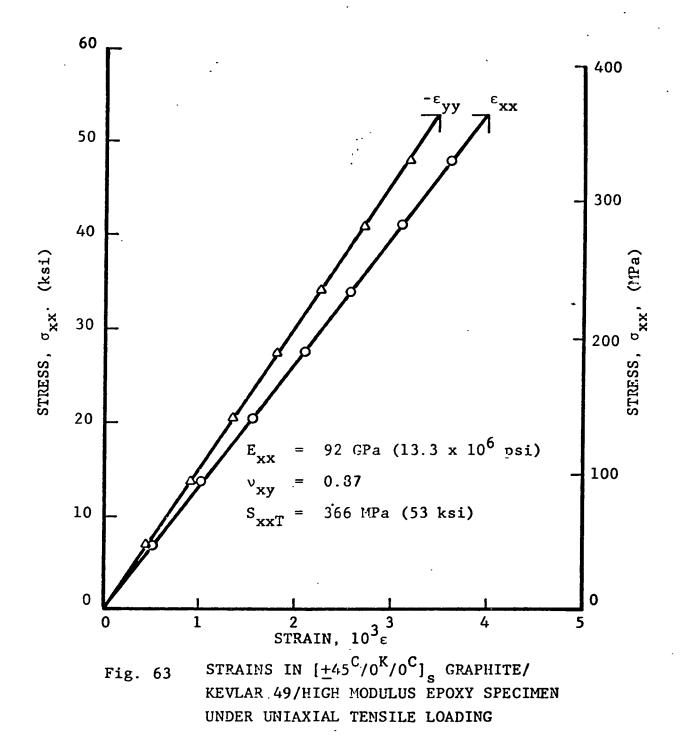


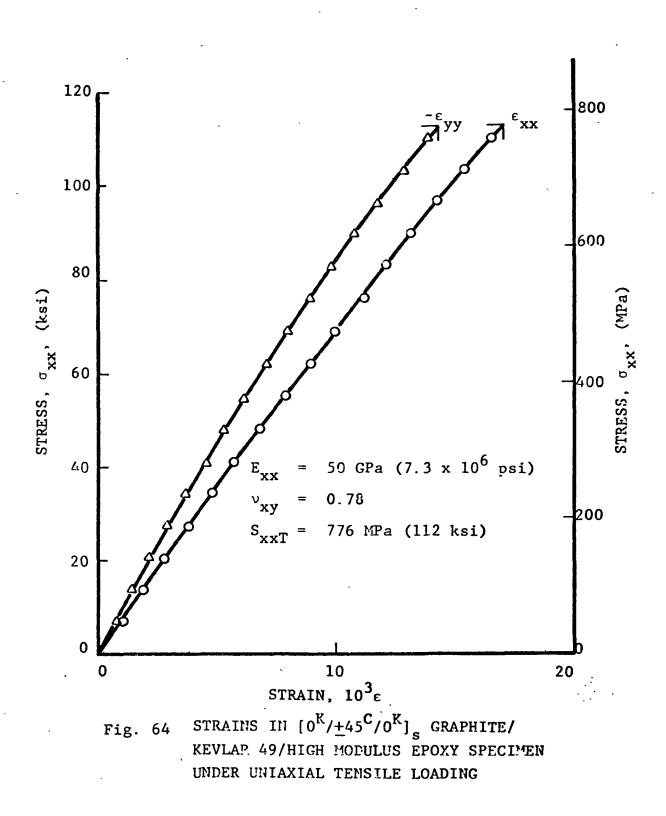
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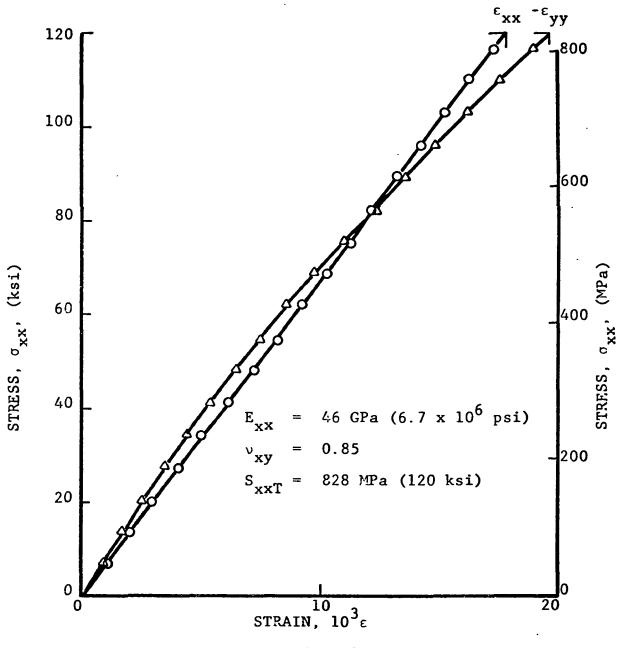


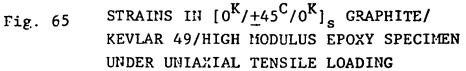
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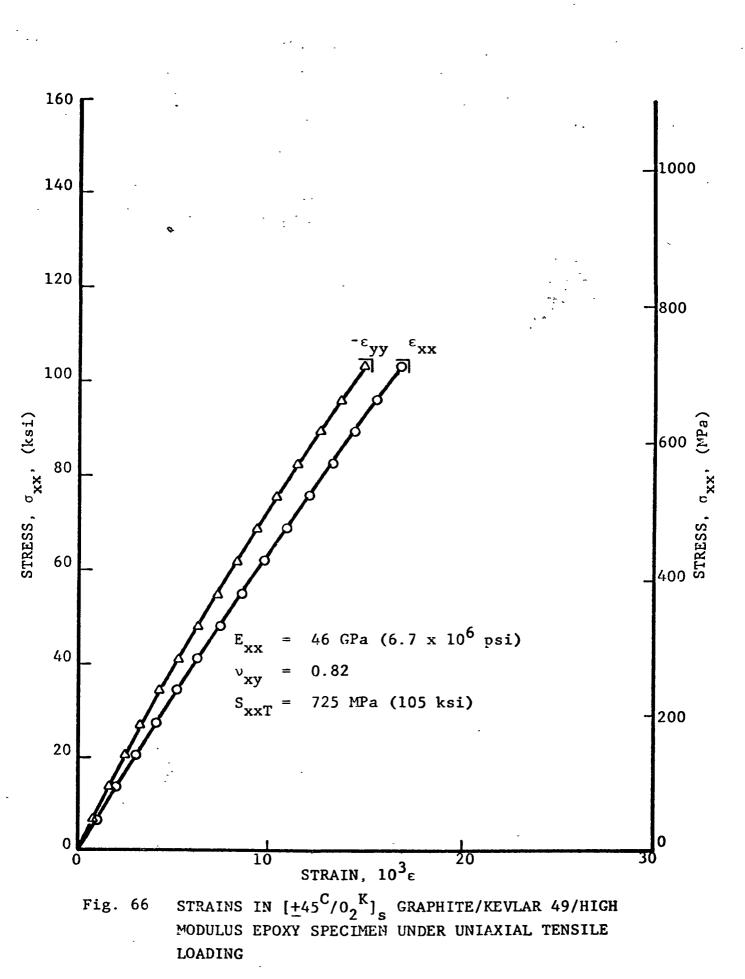


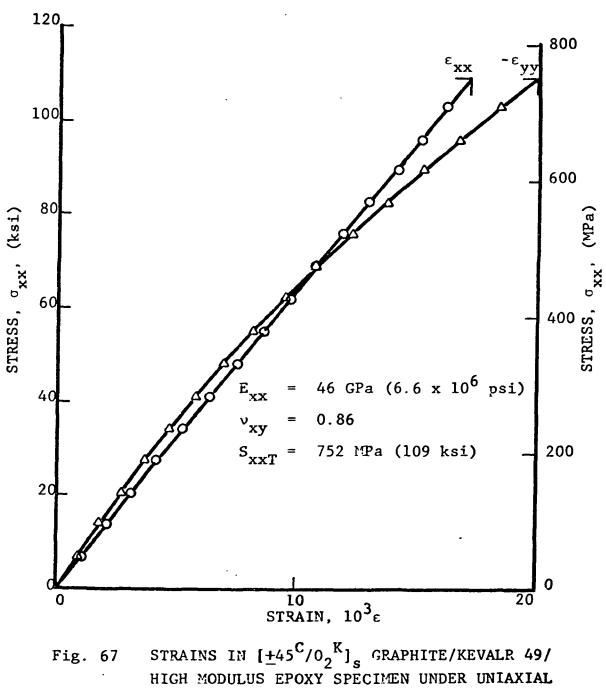




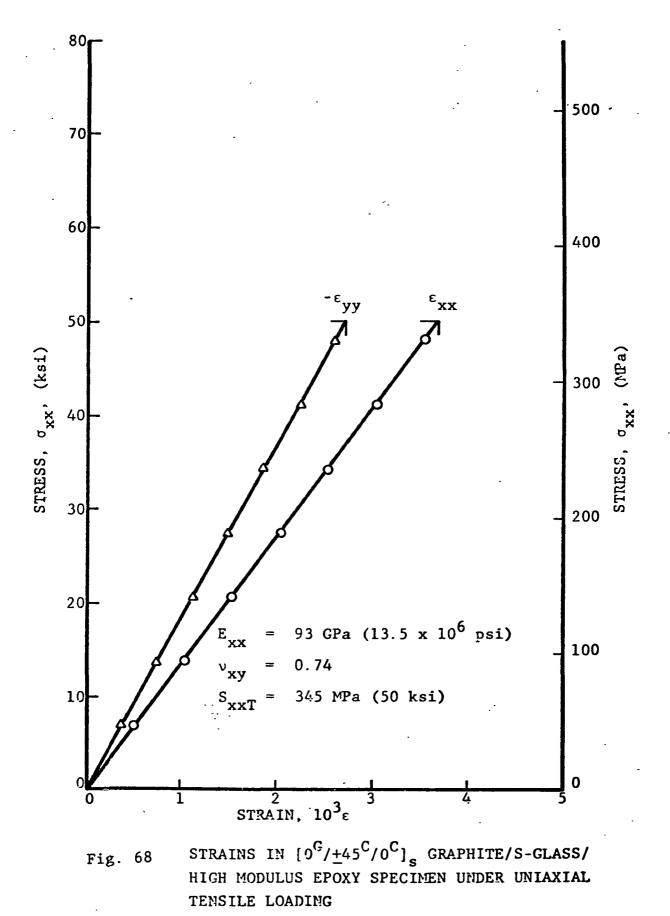


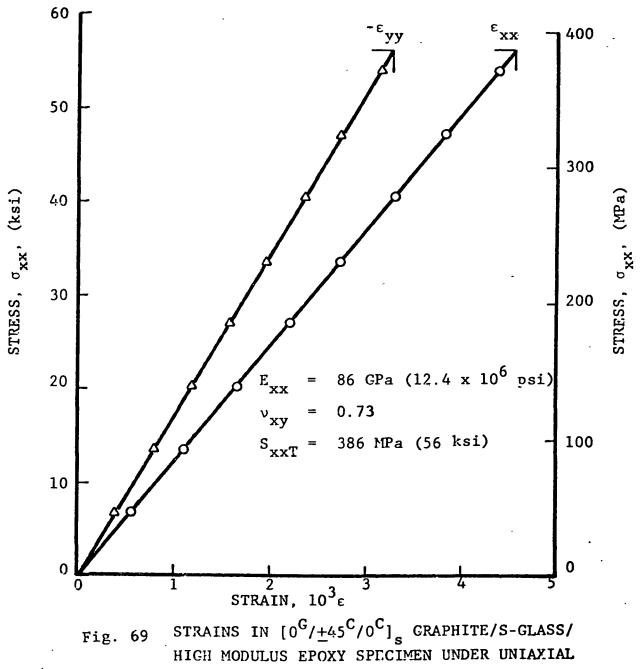






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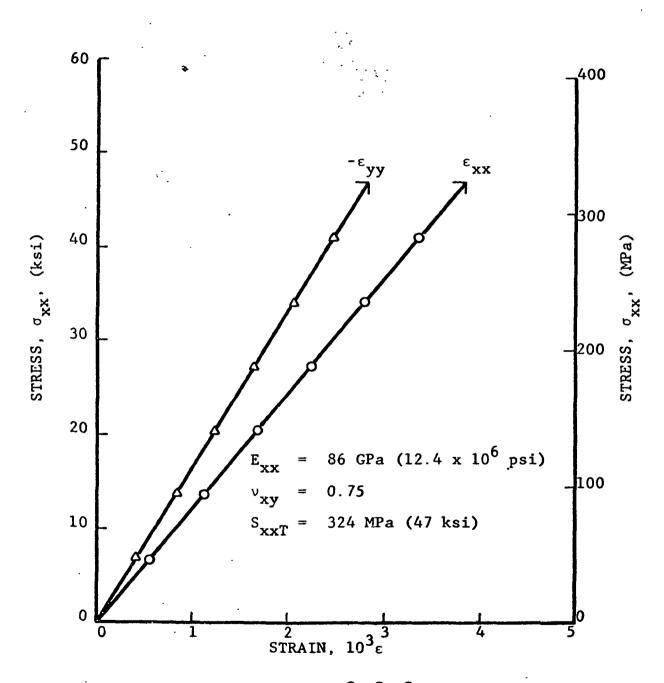
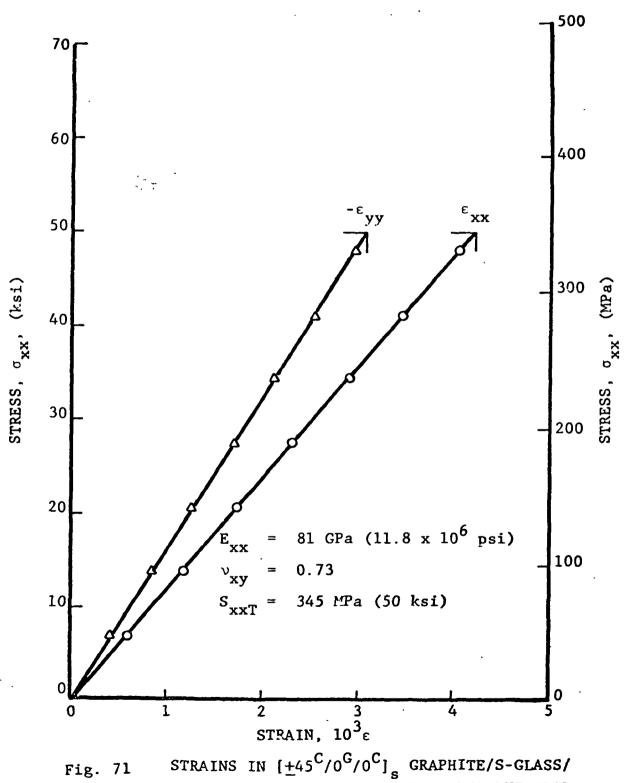
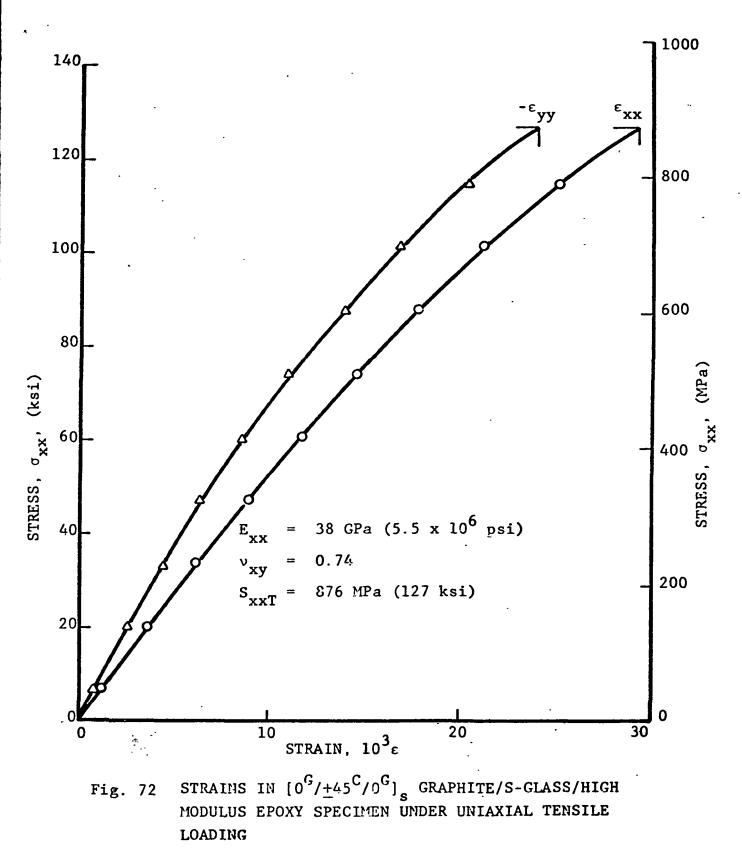


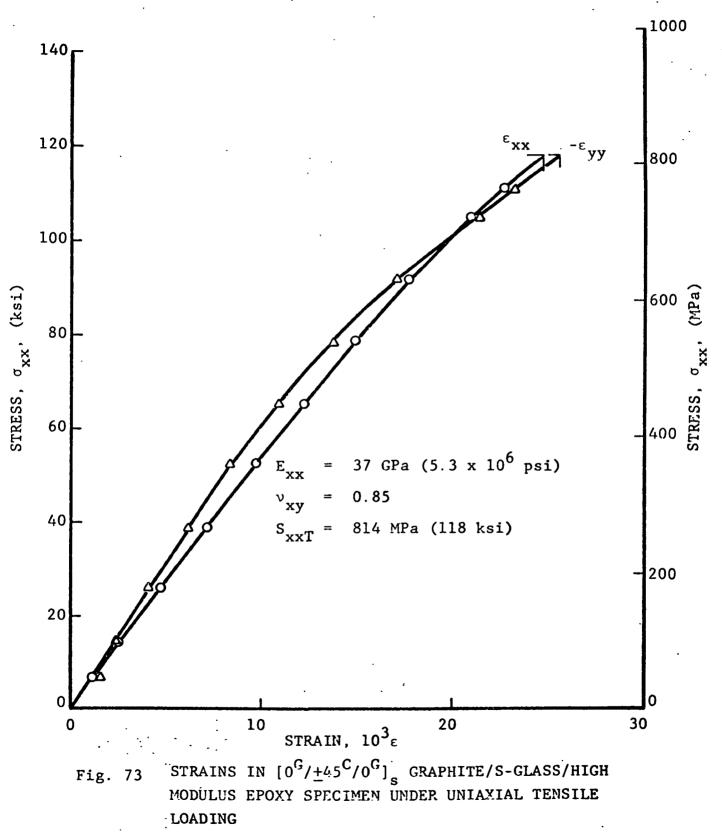
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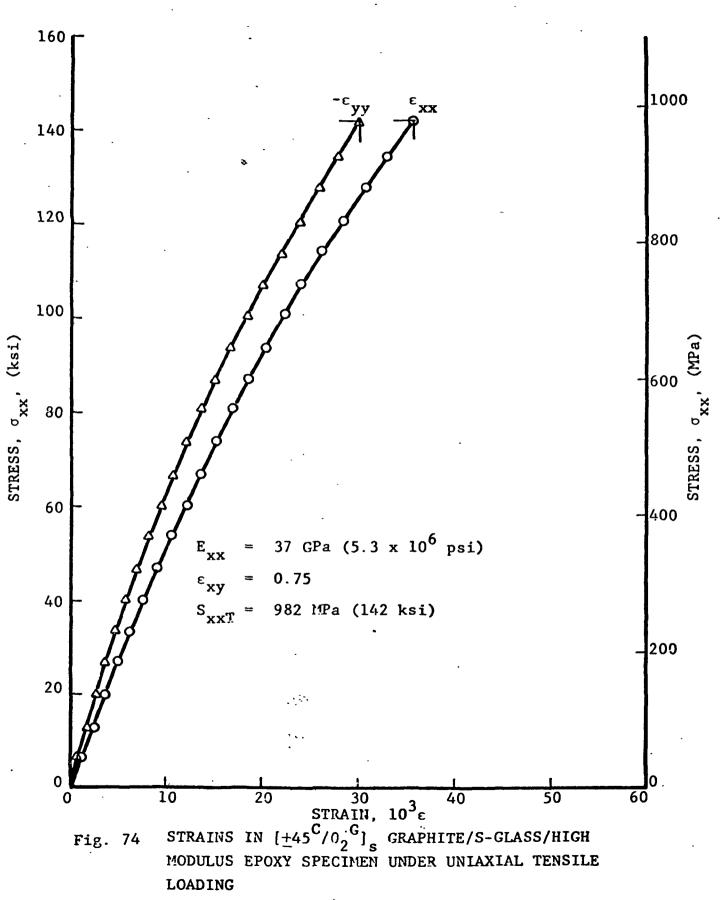


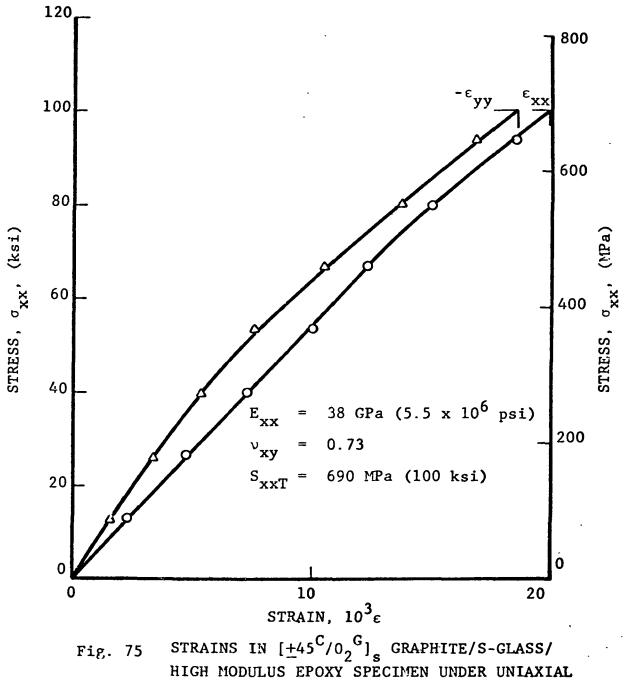
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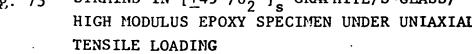
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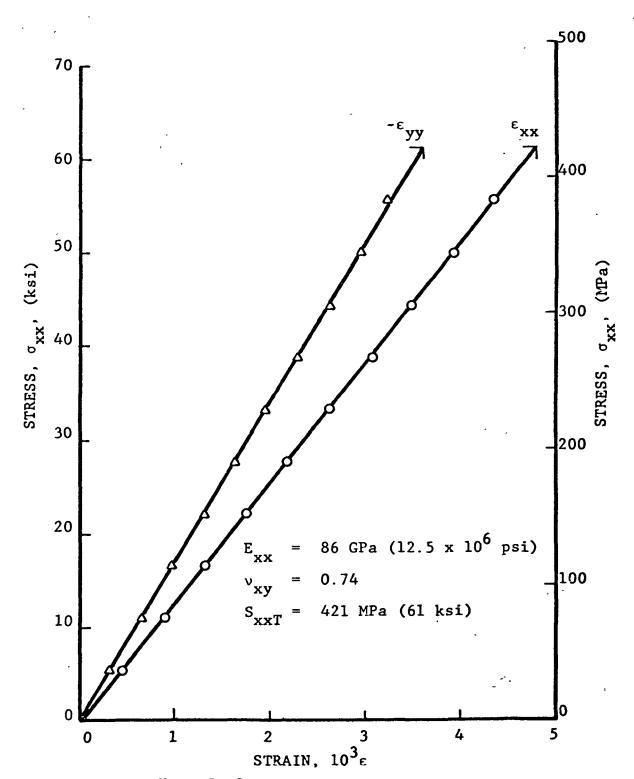
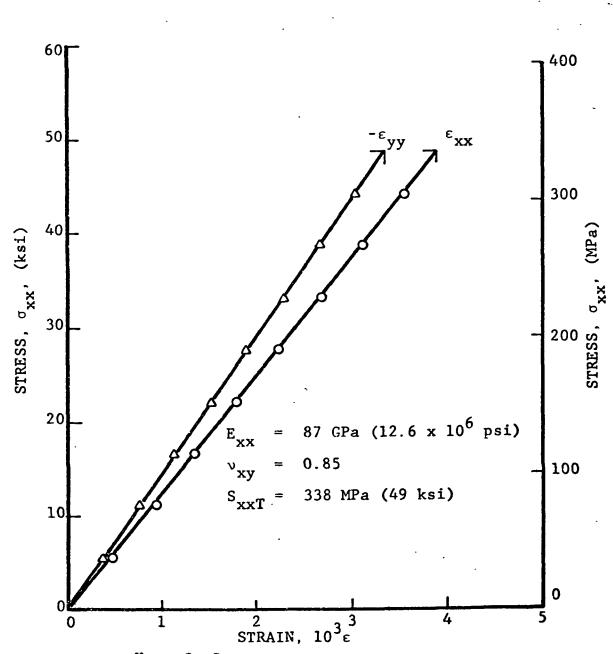


Fig. 76 STRAINS IN [0^K/+45^C/0^C]_s GRAPHITE/KEVLAR 49/HIGH MODULUS EPOXY SPECIMEN UNDER UNIAXIAL TENSILE LOADING AFTER 100 THERMAL CYCLES BETWEEN ROOM TEMPERATURE AND 411 degK (280°F) WITH 244 MPa (35 ksi) TENSILE PRELOAD



Lg. 77 STRAINS IN [0^K/+45^C/0^C]_s GRAPHITE/KEVLAR 49/HIGH MODULUS EPOXY SPECIMEN UNDER UNIAXIAL TENSILE LOADING AFTER 100 THERMAL CYCLES BETWEEN ROOM TEMPERATURE AND 411 degK (280°F) WITH 244 MPa (35 ksi) TENSILE PRELOAD

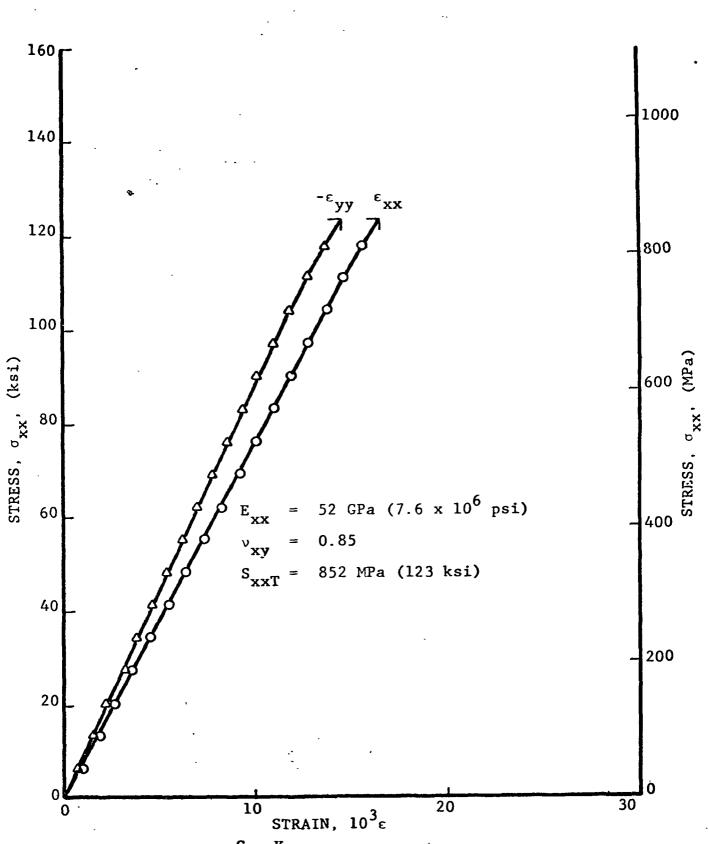
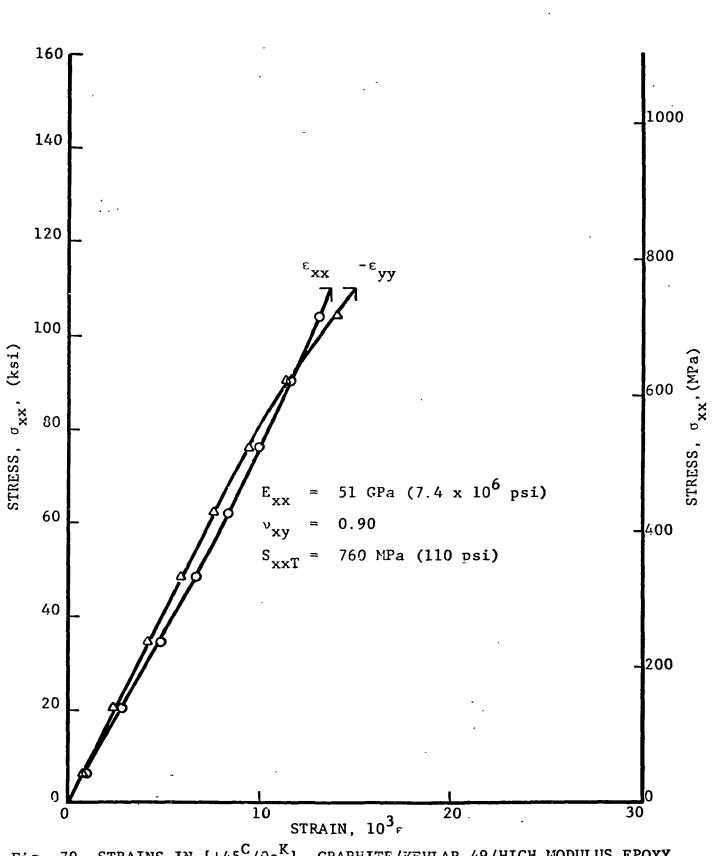
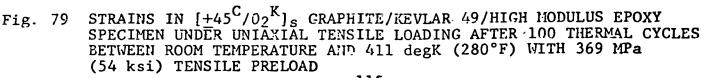


Fig. 78 STRAINS IN [+45^C/02^K]_S GRAPHITE/KEVLAR 49/HIGH MODULUS EPOXY SPECIMEN UNDER UNIAXIAL TENSILE LOADING AFTER 100 THERMAL CYCLES BETWEEN ROOM TEMPERATURE AND 411 degK (280°F) WITH 369 MPa (54 ksi) TENSILE PRELOAD





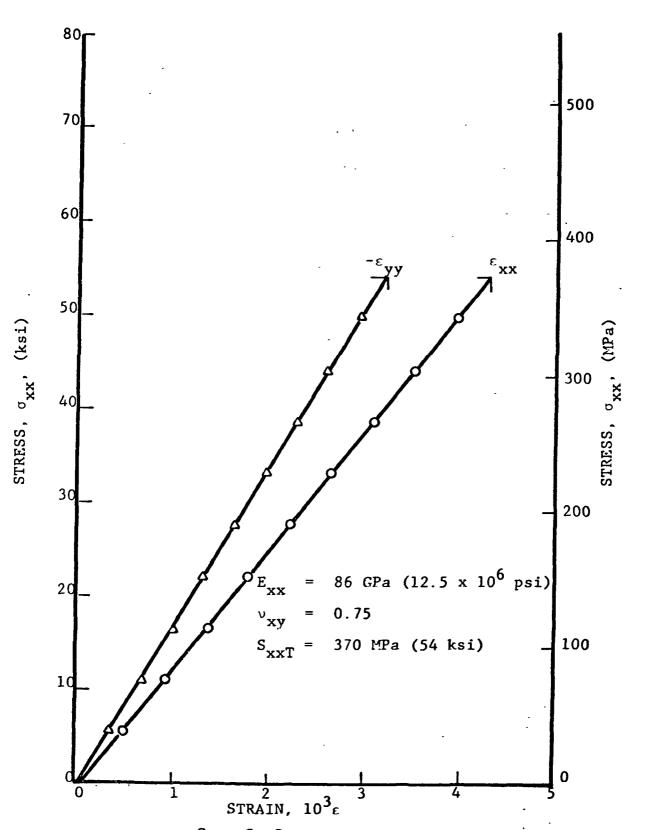


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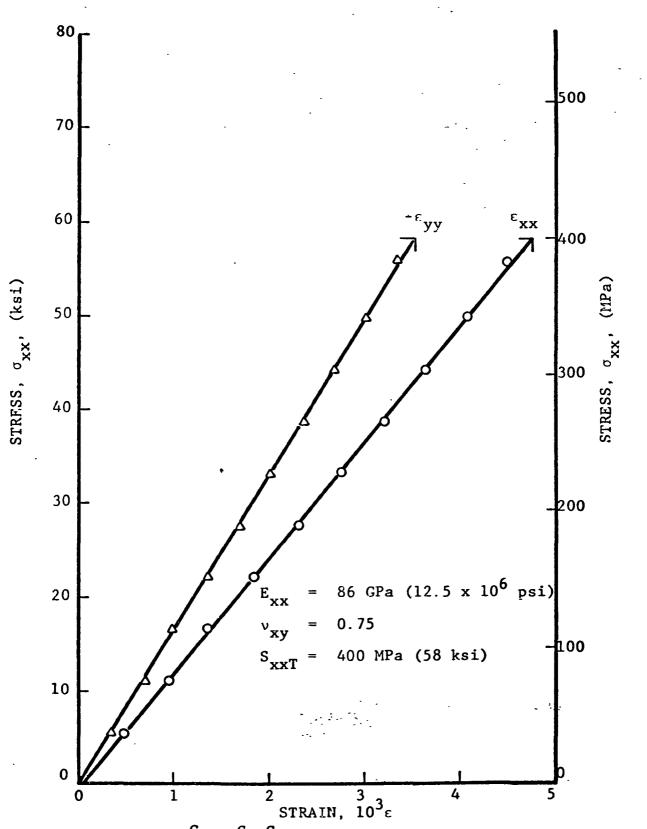


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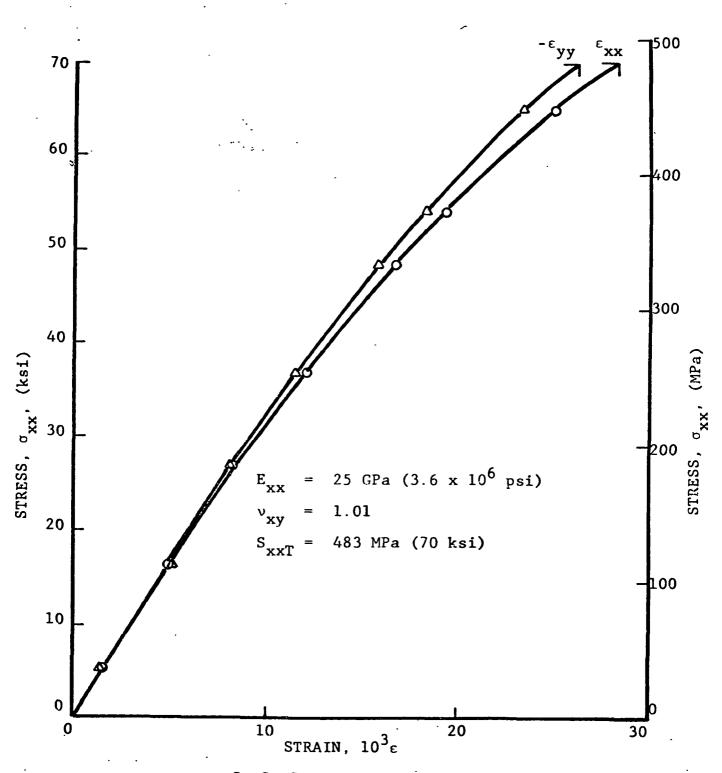
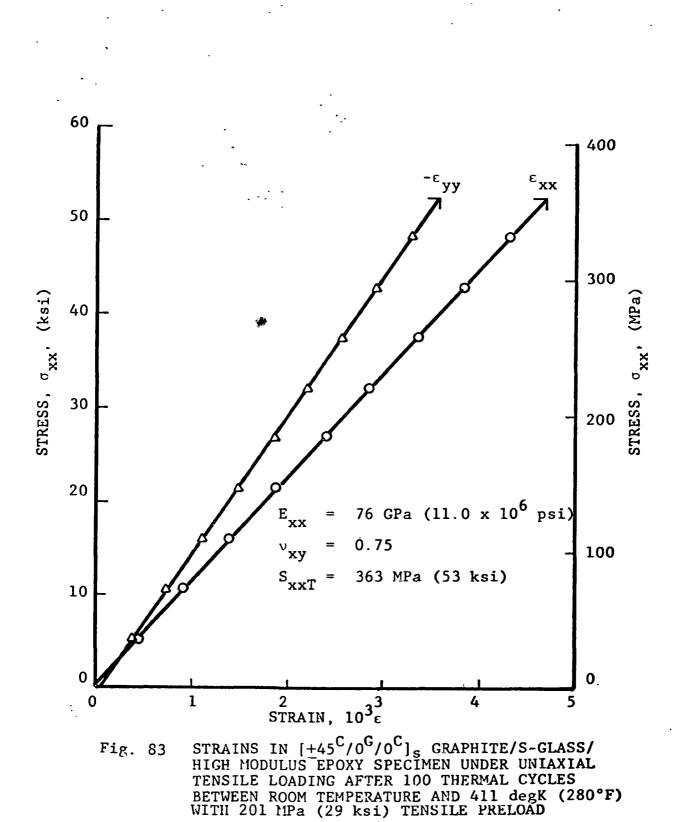
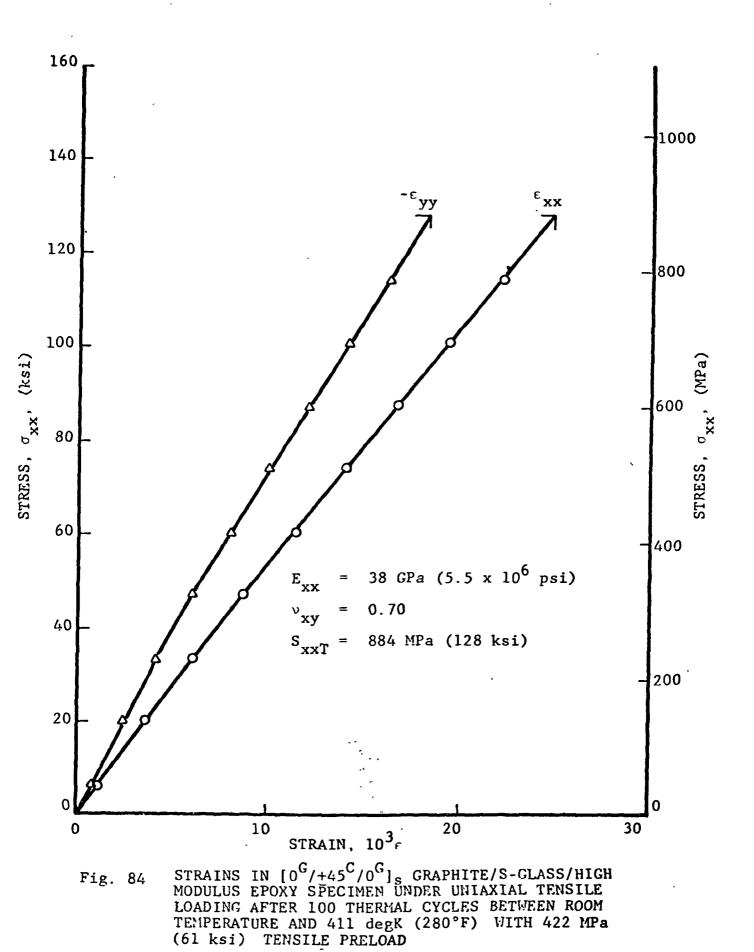
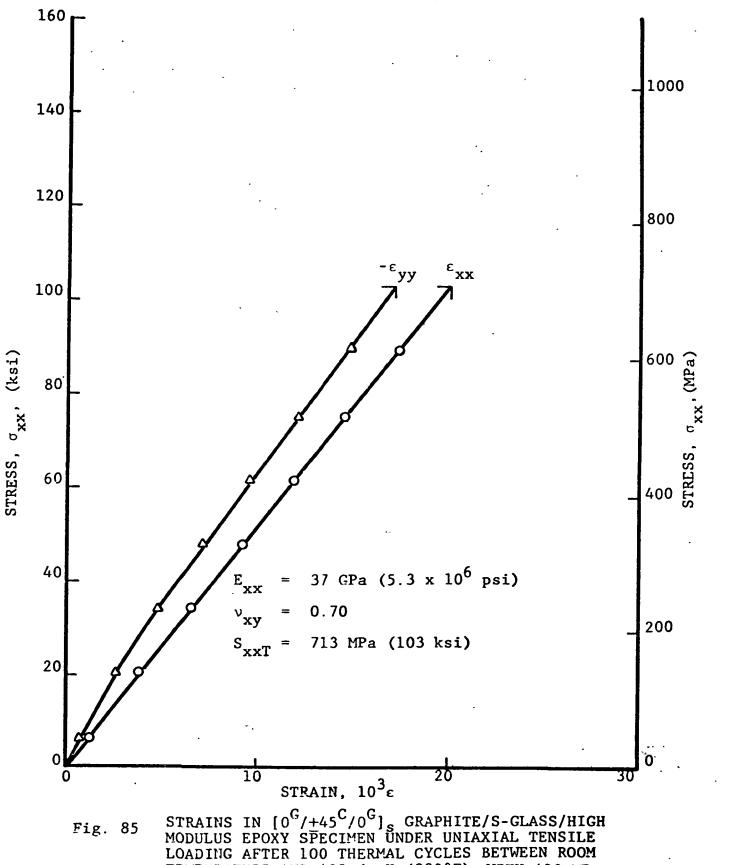


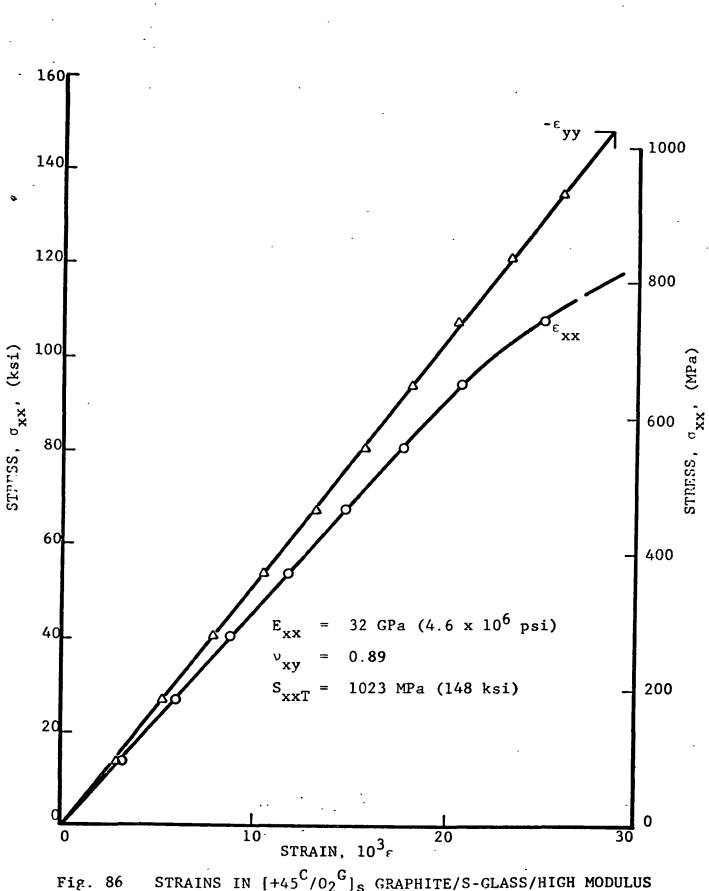
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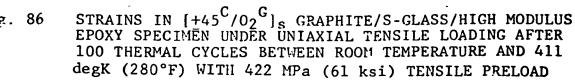






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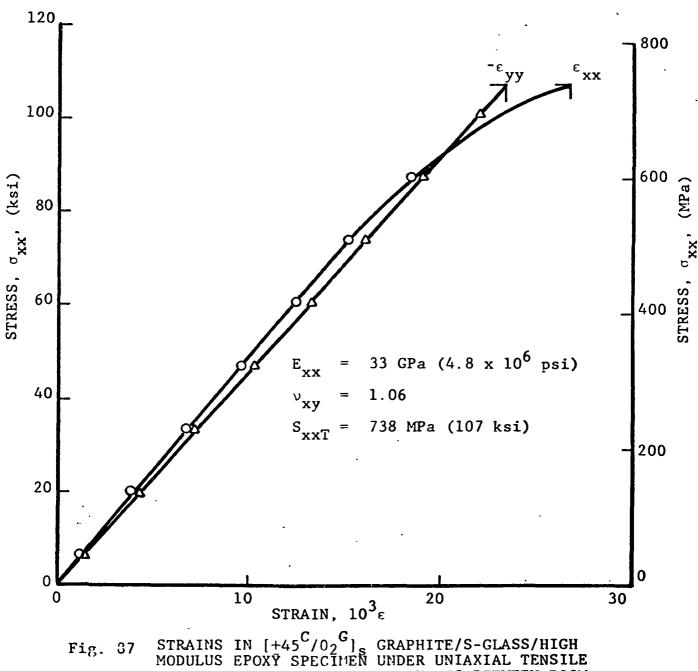


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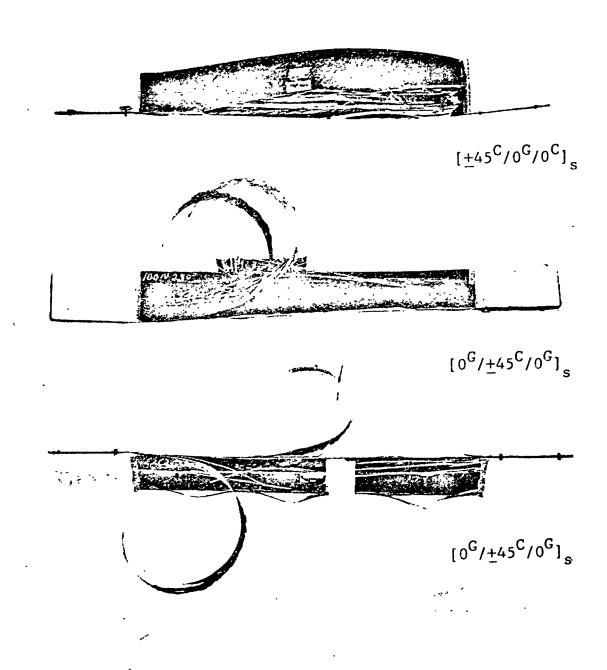
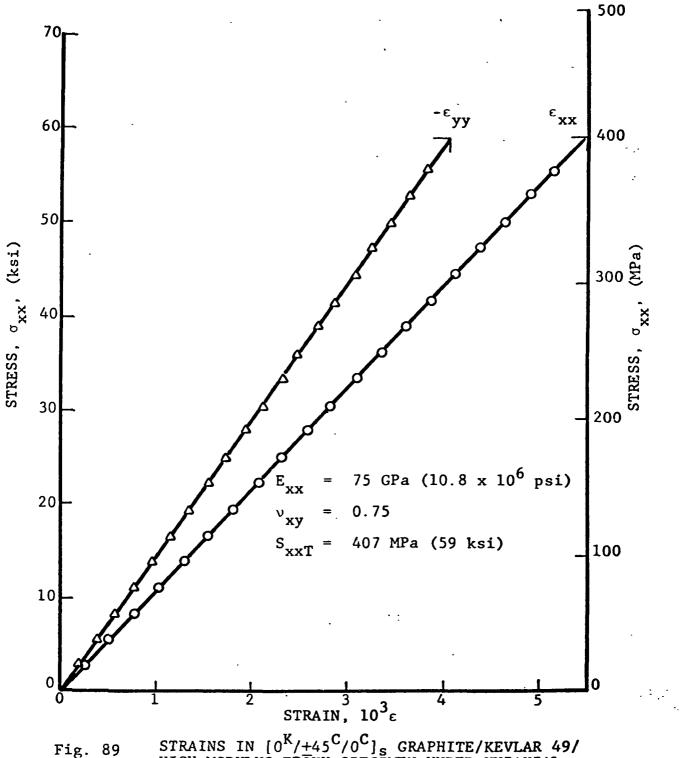
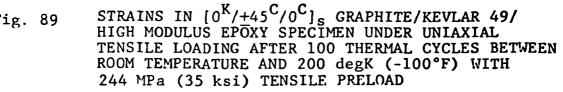
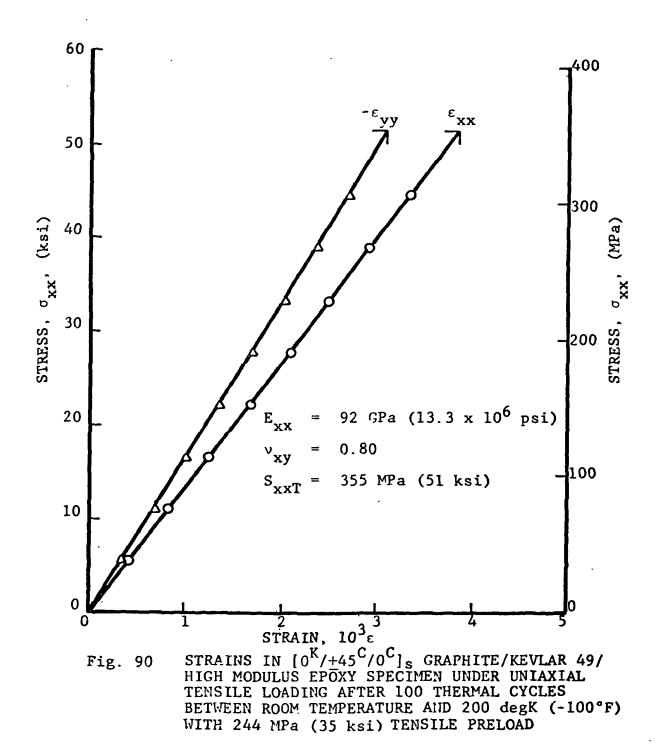


Fig. 88 CHARACTERISTIC FAILURE PATTERNS OF THREE GRAPHITE/S-GLASS/ HIGH MODULUS EPOXY SPECIMENS UNDER UNIAXIAL TENSILE LOADING AFTER 100 THERMAL CYCLES BETWEEN ROOM TEMPERATURE AND 411 JegK (280°F) UNDER TENSILE PRELOAD







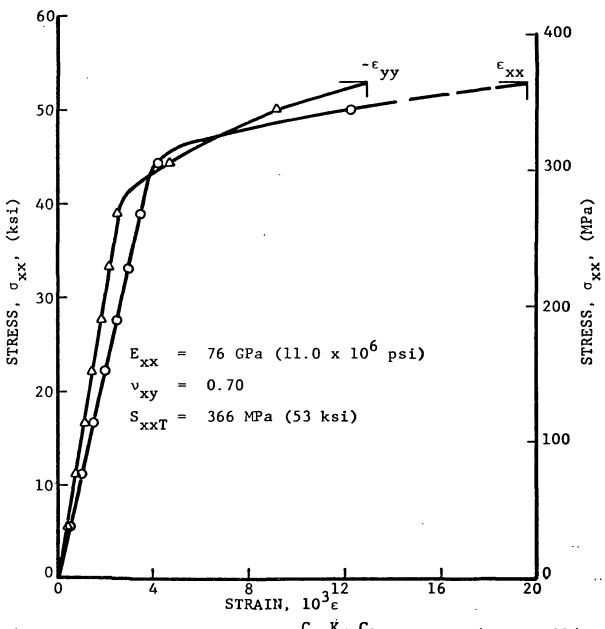
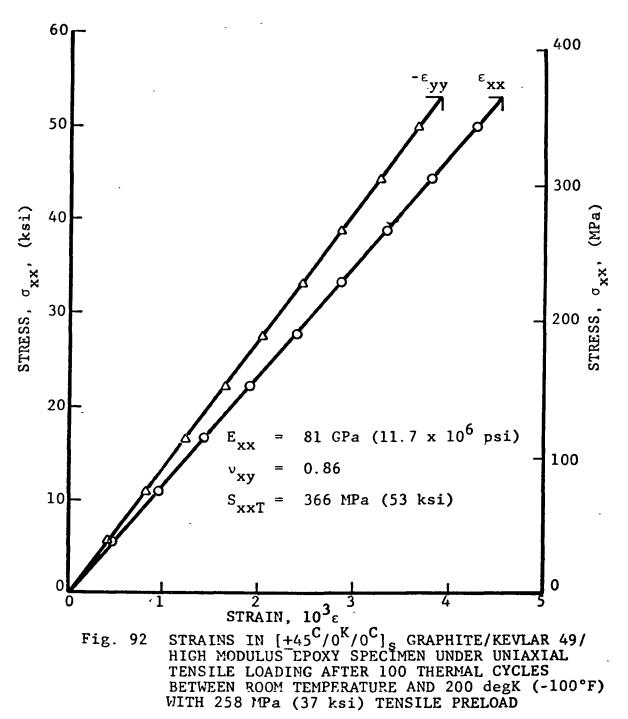
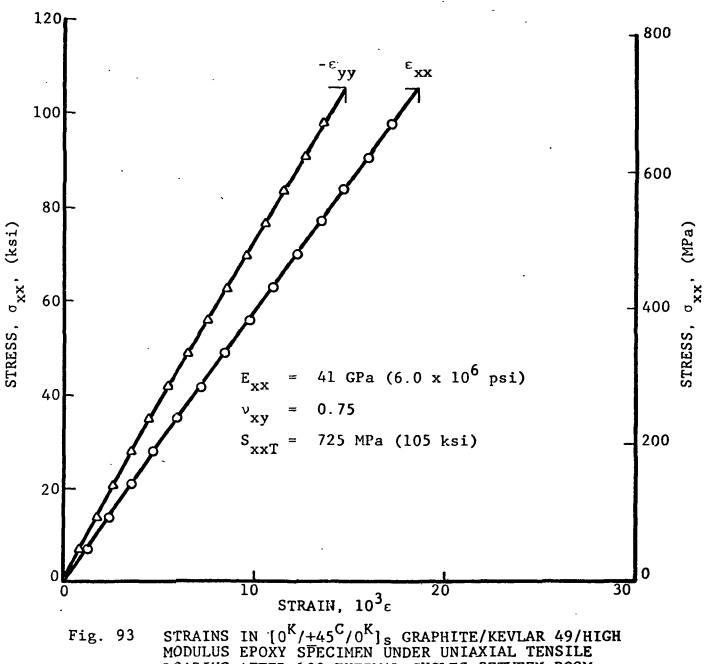
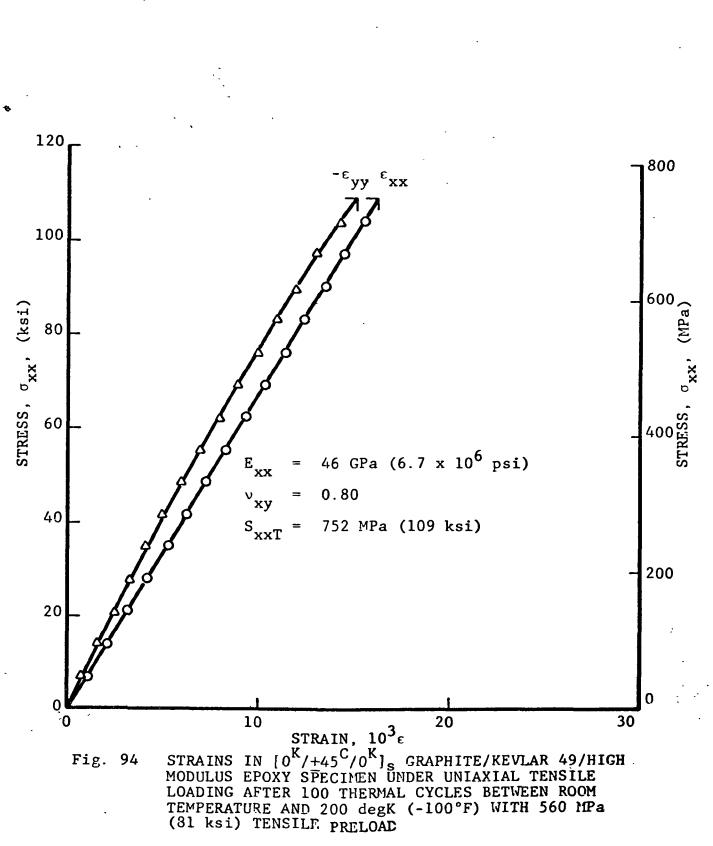


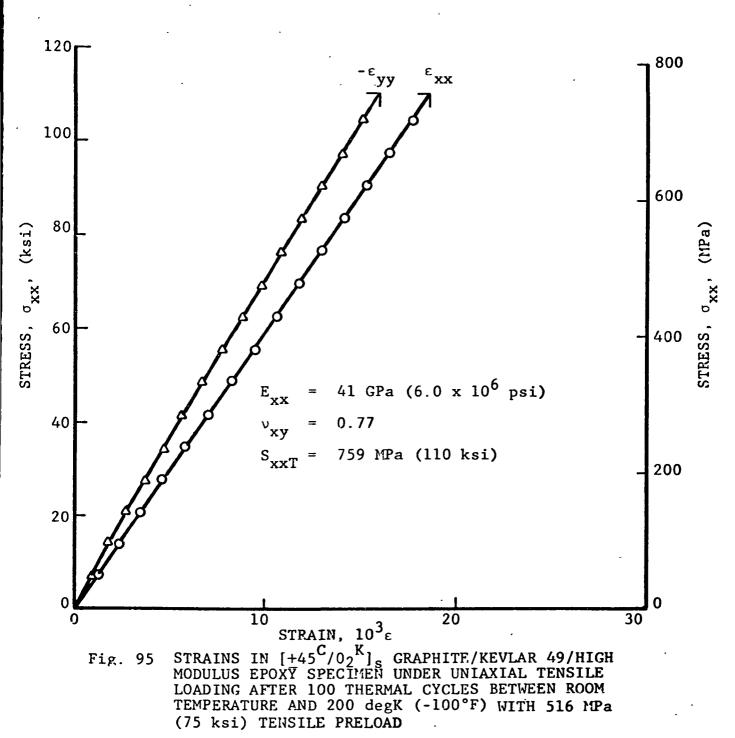
Fig. 91 STRAINS IN [+45^C/0^K/0^C]_s GRAPHITE/KEVLAR 49/ HIGH MODULUS EPOXY SPECIMEN UNDER UNIAXIAL TENSILE LOADING AFTER 100 THERMAL CYCLES BETWEEN ROOM TEMPERATURE AND 200 degK (-100°F) WITH 258 MPa (37 ksi) TENSILE PRELOAD

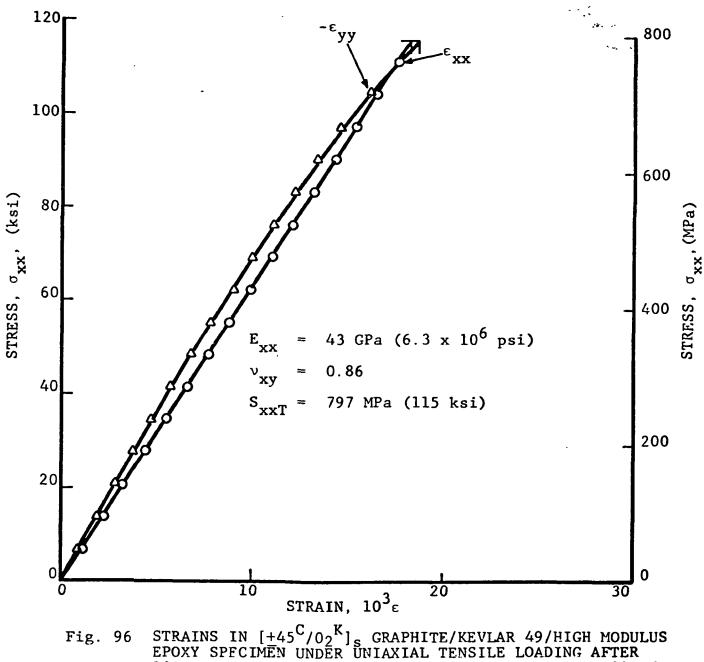




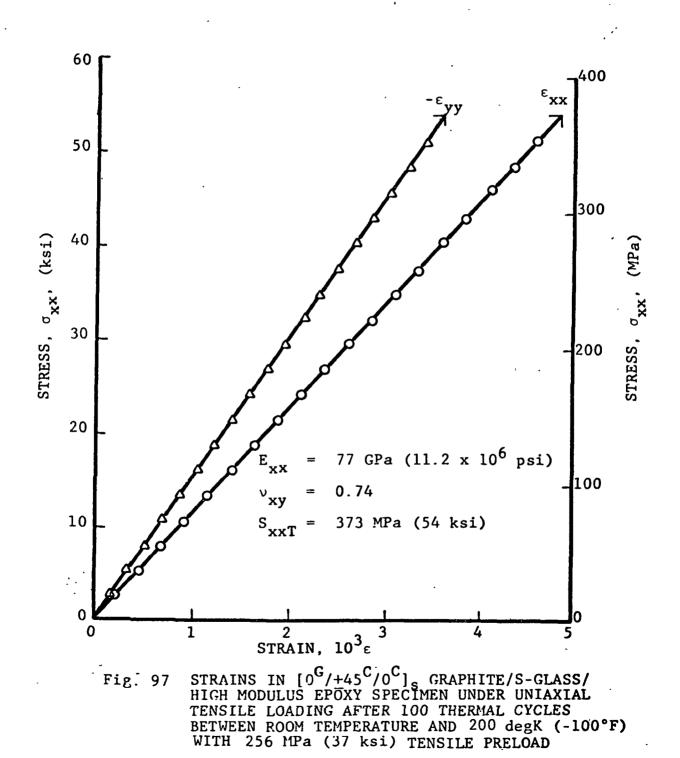
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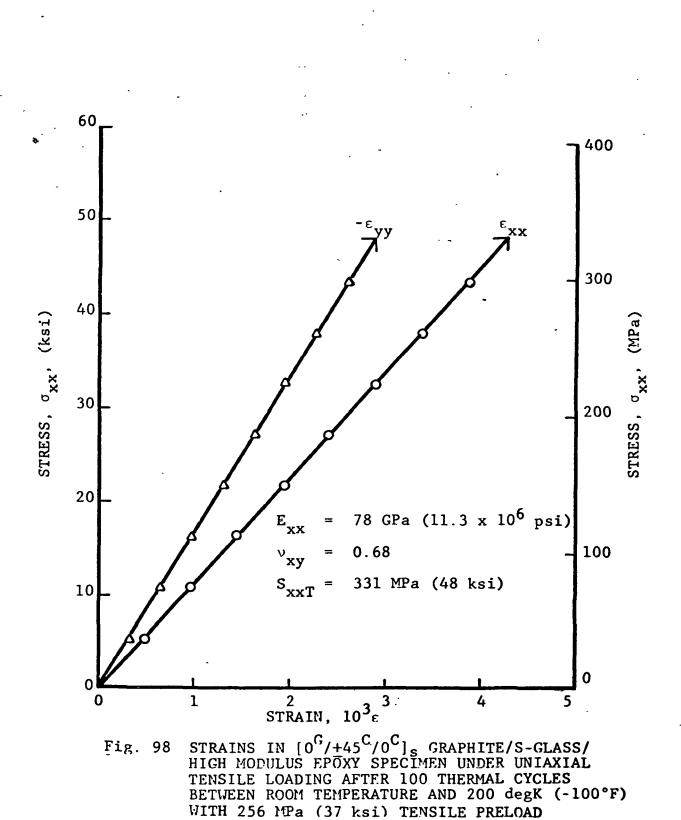


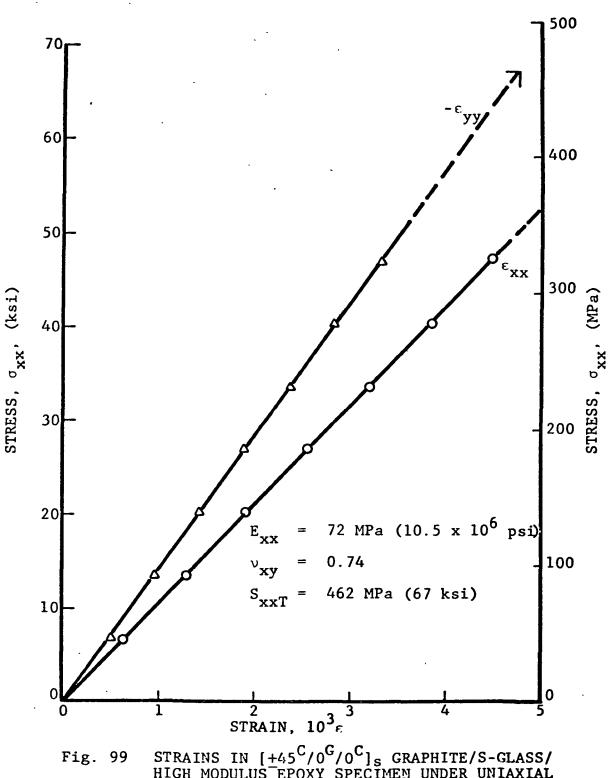


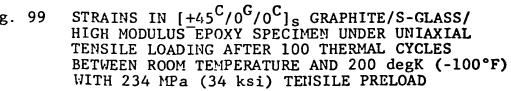


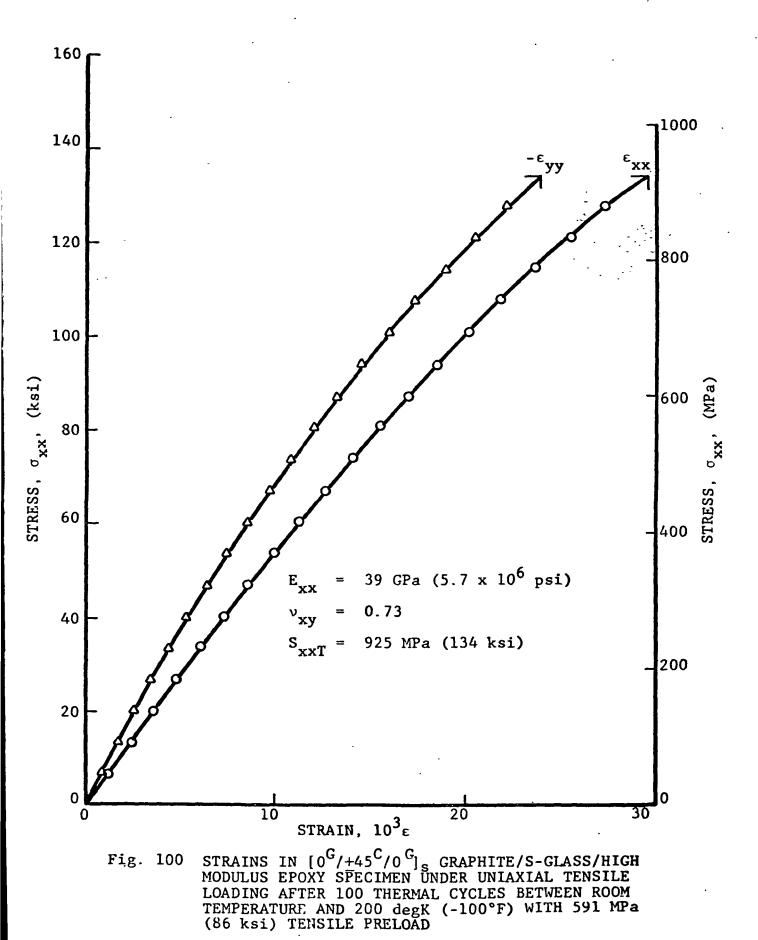
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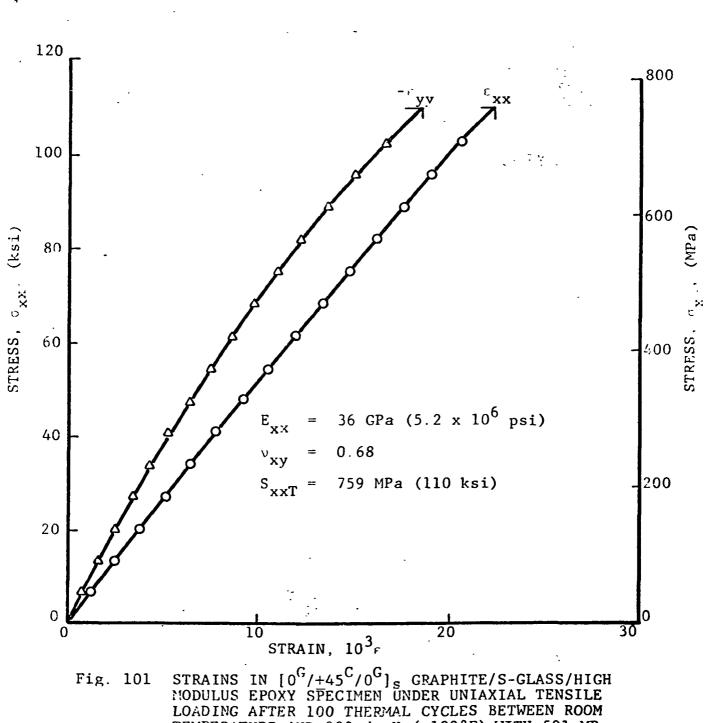












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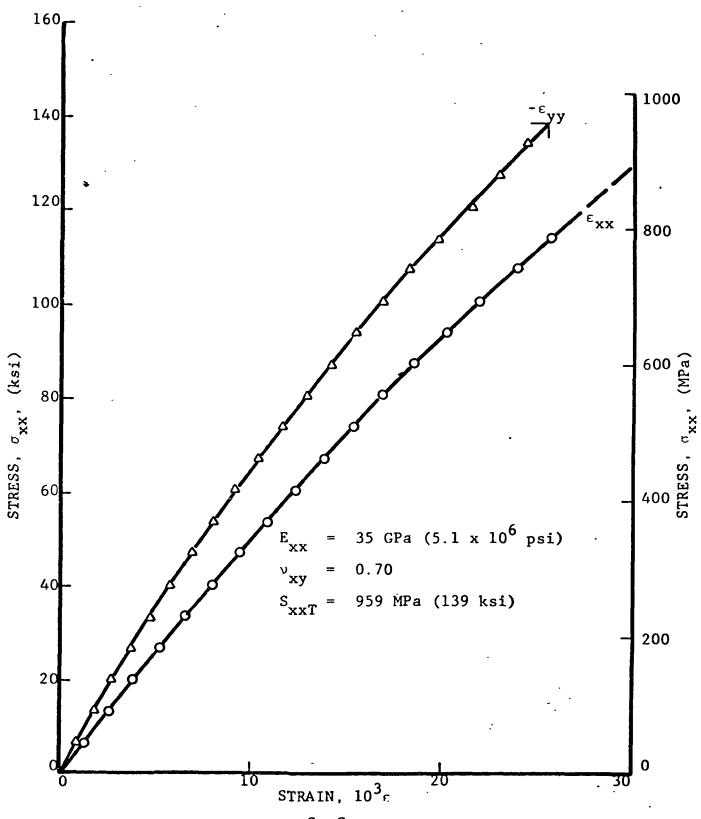


Fig. 102 STRAINS IN [+45^C/02^C]_s GRAPHITE/S-GLASS/HIGH MODULUS EPOXY SPECIMEN UNDER UNIAXIAL TENSILE LOADING AFTER 100 THERMAL CYCLES BETWEEN ROOM TEMPERATURE AND 200 degK (-100°F) WITH 584 MPa (85 ksi) TENSILE PRELOAD

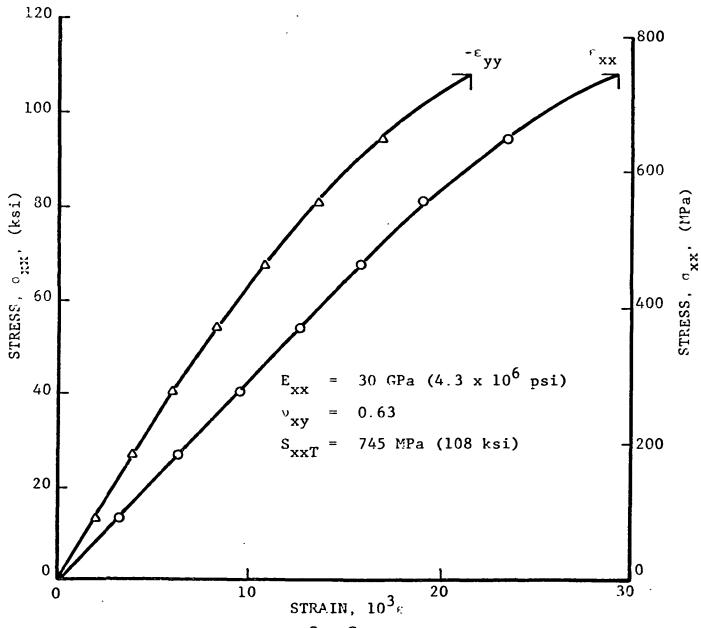


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