



Solar Car Project: Fully Carbon-Epoxy Composite

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COMPOSITES

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DEFINITIONS

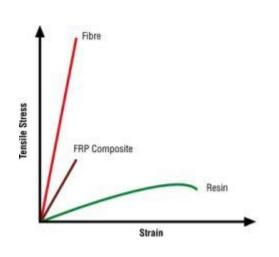


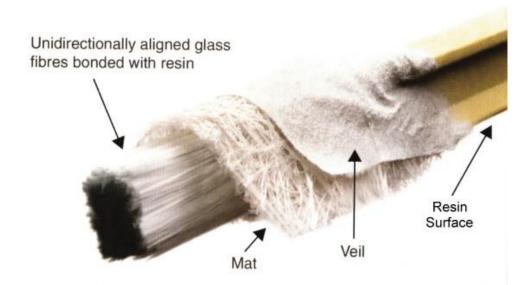
An advanced material technology that combine two or more materials of different properties and characteristics to produce



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a superior material properties of those materials on their own







FIBER (REINFORCEMENT)



GLASS FIBER

Low cost reinforcement for general application. Widely used in corrosion resistance.



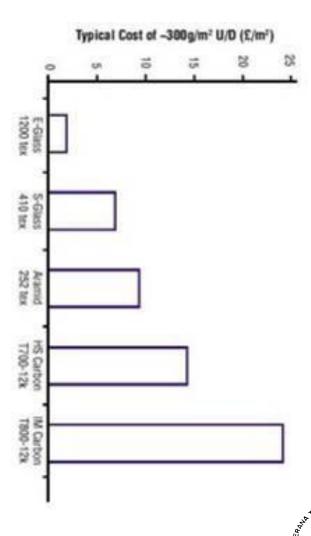
ARAMID FIBER

High end impact absorption application such as ballistic protection



CARBON FIBER

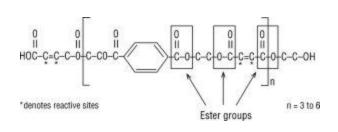
High end low weight high strength application such as structural reinforcement and aerospace parts

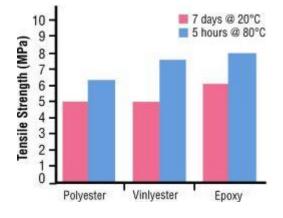


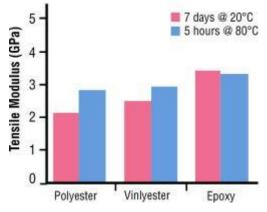
RESIN (BINDING MATRIX)

6 6 Resins is a polymer based material that bind the reinforcement i.e. fibers. 9 9

RESINS	APPLICATION			
POLYESTER	General corrosion resistant application.			
VINYLESTER	Heavily corrosive environment			
EPOXY	High strength and fire rating performance			







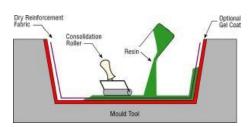


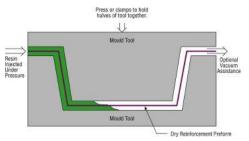
PROCESSING

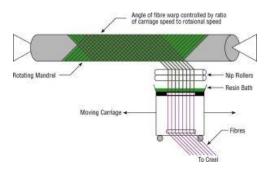
Various processing method to suit end product design and properties requirements

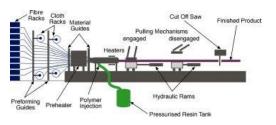
PROCESS	APPLICATION			
OPEN MOLD	Economic processing method for non-structural or tolerance critical application			
CLOSE MOLD	Complex 3-dimensional requirements with close tolerance			
FILAMENT WINDING	Tubular high pressure rating application such as pipe.			
PULTRUSION	Profile based end product			











BENEFITS

O CORROSION RESISTANT Unaffected by a wide range of corrosive chemicals and environments. Minimal maintenance costs.



- O HIGH STRENGHT, LIGHT WEIGHT Density of composite is 20% of steel and 60% of aluminum. Higher performance at less weight costs.
- O MAINTENANCE FREE Non corrosive. No repainting cost.
- O DIMENSIONAL STABILITY Stretch-, warp-, and swell-resistant over a wide range of temperatures and physical stresses. Close tolerances
- O THERMAL INSULATION Low thermal conductivity rating of 1/250 of aluminum; 1/60 of steel. No condensation problems
- O HIGH DIELECTRIC STRENGHT Excellent electrical insulating properties. Non conductive.
- O DESIGN FLEXIBILITY Many individual components can be combined into one large profile. Reduced assembly costs.
- O THEFT FREE ZERO recycle value. Help reduce theft for public facility and infrastructure i.e. signage

TYPICAL PROPERTIES COMPARISON

PROPERTY	COMPOSITE PULTRUDED GRP/PE	CARBON STEEL (M1020)	STAINLESS STEEL (316)	ALUMINUM (6061-T61)	RIGID PVC	PONDEROSA PINE (WOOD)
Tensile Strength (ksi)	30.00 (axial) 7.00 (transver se)	60.00	80.00	45.00	6.20	0.42
Tensile Modulus (Msi)	2.60 (axial) 1.00 (transver se)	30.00	28.00	10.00	0.39	-
Flexural Strenght (ksi)	30.00 (axial) 10.0 (transver se)	60.00	80.00	45.00	11.00	15.40 (axial) 9.40 (transver se)
Flexural Modulus (Msi)	2.20 (axial) 0.80 (transver se)	30.00	28.00	10.00	0.35	1.00
Izod Impact (ft-lb/in)	25.0 (axial) 4.0 (transverse)	N/A	8.5-11.0	-	1.6	-
Density (lb/in2)	0.062-0.070	0.284	0.290	0.092	0.052	0.019
Thermal Conductivity (Btu/ft²/hr/ºF/in)	4.0	260-460	96-185	1200	1.3	0.08
Coefficient of Linear Expansion (10 ⁻⁶ in/in/°F)	4.4	6-8	9-10	13.5	37.0	TO TOWN UNTUA MARKES

MARKET AREAS

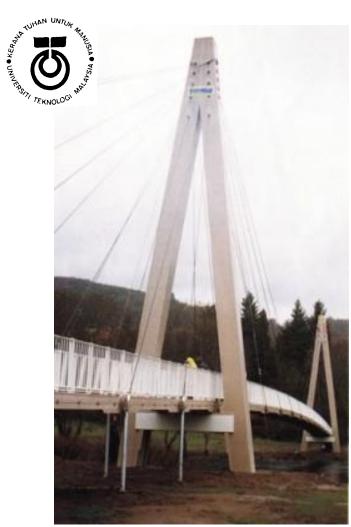
As a material driven indsustry, application of composites are not only limited to certain sectors, but limited to designers imagination and capability

- O AUTOMOTIVE Front end, fender, doors, rocker cover, tail gate, etc.
- O MARITIME Boat, jetty, sheet pile, etc.
- O INFRASTRUCTURE Bridges, railing, grating, pipe, façade & facia facelift, lighting poles, signage, shed, mosque dome, etc.
- O AEROSPACE Body parts component.
- O MILITARY Ballistic protection, missile launcher, etc.
- O CORROSION RESISTANT Water treatment infrastructure, Jetty infrastructure, offshore platform, etc..
- O ELECTRICAL Feeder pillar cabinets, insulation, doors, cable management system, etc.
- o OTHERS





PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE APPLICATION



ABERFELDY, UK



LAROIN, France



WASHINGTON NATIONAL PARK, US

VEHICLE BRIDGE



KOLDING, Denmark

KOLDING bridge is all composite apart from the nuts

and bolts holding it together





Steel flange beams were replaced by pultruded FRP beams, reinforced with carbon fibres in the flanges to increase stiffness to over 6 million psi, in this bridge upgrade in Blacksburg, Virginia.



MARINE PILE & SHEET PILE



Complete composite sheetpile installation, including SuperLoc™ sheetpile and composite top cap. (Picture courtesy of Creative Pultrusions.)



Navy pier structure made using pultrusion. (Picture courtesy of Owens Corning: www.owenscorning.com.)



Composite piling being used for a dock installation in Rotterdam. (Picture courtesy of Seaward International/PC Jansen Marine Agencies.)

composites as the most preferred material choice

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MARINE JETTY

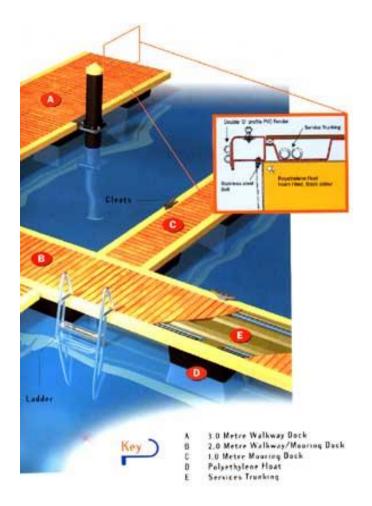




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The Composite Dock System incorporates an intrinsically strong and stiff structural twin box composites beam platform design which takes advantage of the incomparable strength and non-corrosive nature of the material to provide the best possible performance in terms of endurance and resistance to the harsh and unforgiving marine environment.







OTHER APPLICATIONS





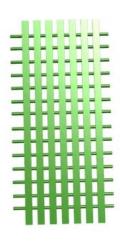
FRP light poles and GRP shading and seating at Jeddah Corniche, Saudi Arabia.



Suspended Access platform made of Pultex® standard structurals and Supergrate™ grating. (Picture courtesy of Creative Pultrusions.)

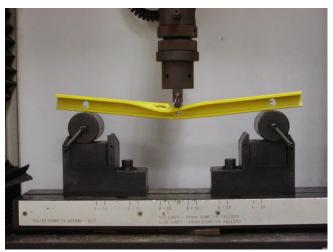


Final Design Concept





MATERIALS TESTING



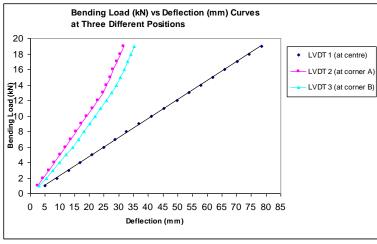




GFRP GRATING FLEXURAL PERFORMANCE LAB TEST









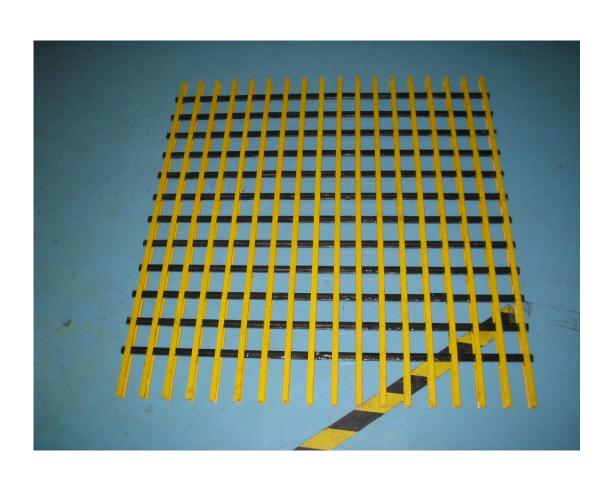
GFRP GRATING FLEXURAL PERFORMANCE VEHICHLE LOAD TEST







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FABRICATION: THE FIRST PROTOTYPE



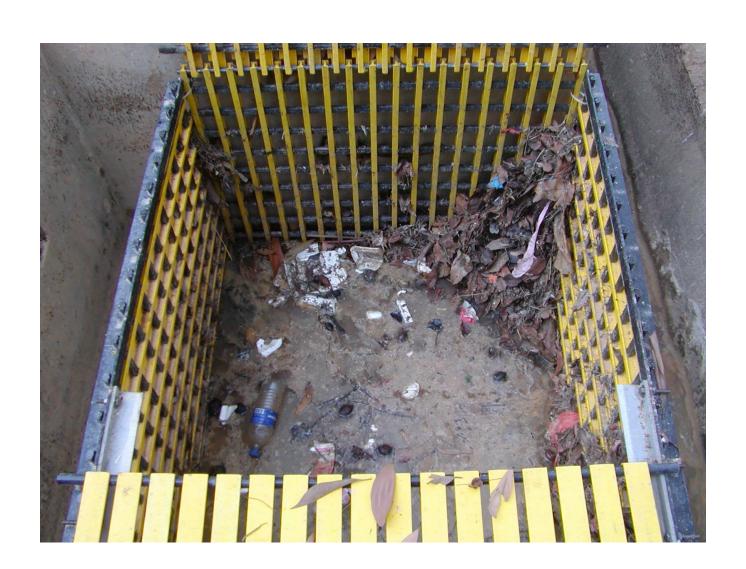


PERFORMANCE AT SITE (UTM)















FABRICATION AND PERFORMANCE AT SITE (TMN UNIVERSITI)





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