

Energy storage via high-energy density composite flywheels

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Flywheel Energy Storage (FES)

- FES usage
 - Electrical load leveling
 - Batteries for electrical vehicles
 - Pulsed power supplies
- FES design challenges
 - Bearings
 - Drive/generator
 - Containment
 - Flywheel

Flywheel Energy Storage - Basic ideas

- A kinetic energy storage device
- Maximum energy density:

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2} (I\omega_f^2) \left(\frac{1}{3600\rho V} \right) \text{ Wh/kg}$$

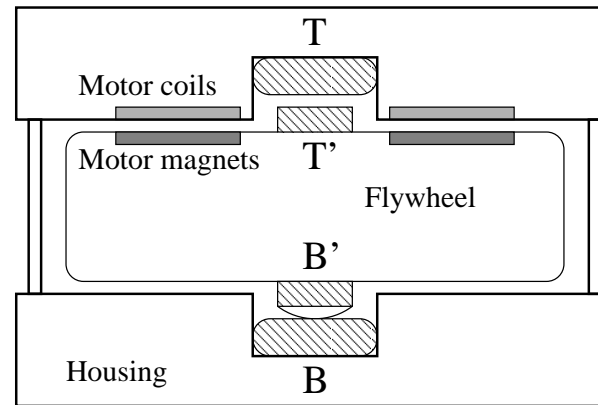
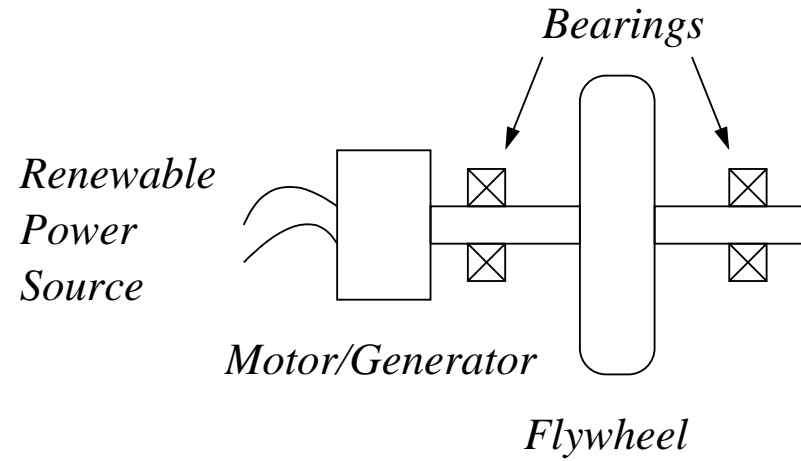
I - moment of inertia of the disk (kg-m²),

ω_f - failure speed of the disk (rad/s),

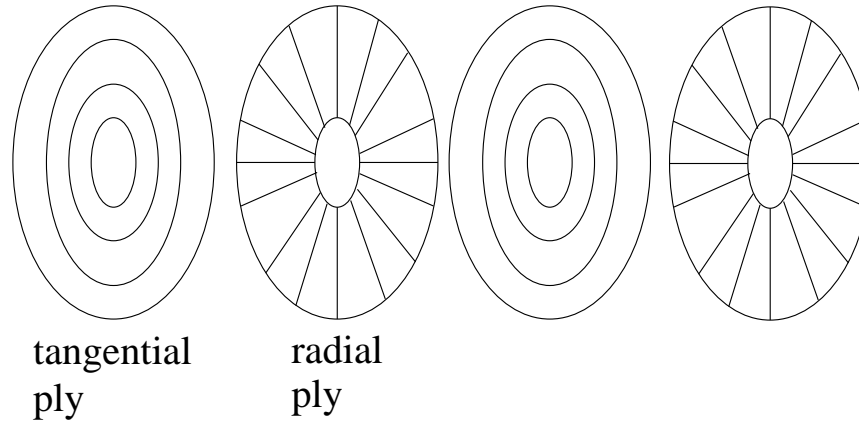
ρ - density (kg/m³),

V - volume (m³).

Flywheel Energy Storage - Schematics

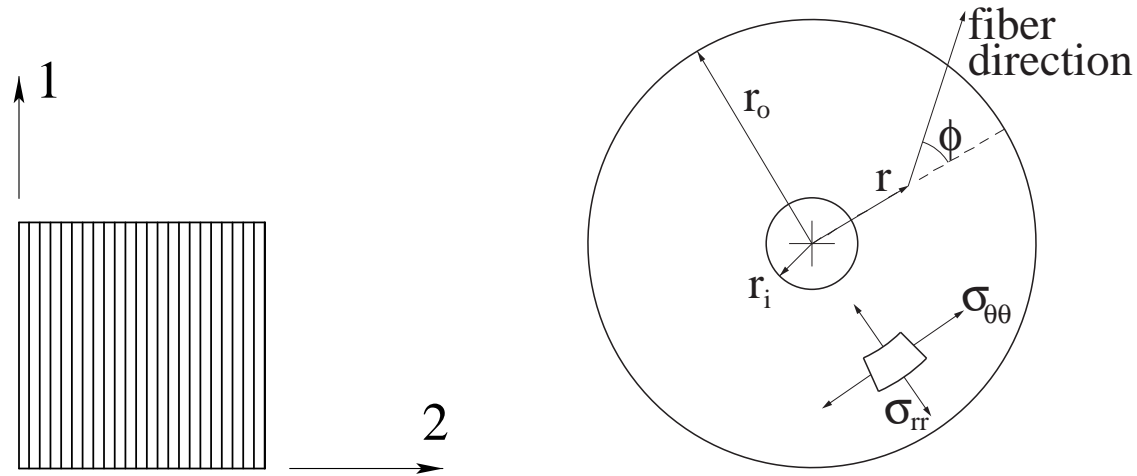


Stacked-ply Flywheel



- Alternate layers of radial and tangential plies
- Can fiber angle variation improve performance?
- How can such disks be constructed?

Constitutive relationship



Ply stiffness relationship

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{11} \\ \sigma_{22} \\ \tau_{12} \end{pmatrix}_k = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} Q_{11} & Q_{12} & 0 \\ Q_{21} & Q_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Q_{66} \end{pmatrix}}_{[Q]_k} \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{11} \\ \epsilon_{22} \\ \gamma_{12} \end{pmatrix}_k$$

The k -th ply stiffness

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{rr} \\ \sigma_{\theta\theta} \\ \tau_{r\theta} \end{pmatrix}_k = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \bar{Q}_{rr} & \bar{Q}_{r\theta} & \bar{Q}_{r6} \\ \bar{Q}_{r\theta} & \bar{Q}_{\theta\theta} & \bar{Q}_{\theta6} \\ \bar{Q}_{r6} & \bar{Q}_{\theta6} & \bar{Q}_{66} \end{pmatrix}}_{[\bar{\mathbf{Q}}(\phi)]_k} \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{rr} \\ \epsilon_{\theta\theta} \\ \gamma_{r\theta} \end{pmatrix}_k$$

Stiffness components

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{Q}_{rr} &= Q_{11} \cos^4 \phi + Q_{22} \sin^4 \phi + (2Q_{12} + 4Q_{66}) \cos^2 \phi \sin^2 \phi \\ \bar{Q}_{r\theta} &= Q_{12}(\cos^4 \phi + \sin^4 \phi) + (Q_{11} + Q_{22} - 4Q_{66}) \cos^2 \phi \sin^2 \phi \\ \bar{Q}_{22} &= Q_{11} \sin^4 \phi + Q_{22} \cos^4 \phi + (2Q_{12} + 4Q_{66}) \cos^2 \phi \sin^2 \phi \\ \bar{Q}_{66} &= (Q_{11} + Q_{22} - 2Q_{12} - 2Q_{66}) \cos^2 \phi \sin^2 \phi \\ &\quad + Q_{66}(\cos^4 \phi + \sin^4 \phi) \\ \bar{Q}_{r6} &= (Q_{11} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66}) \cos^3 \phi \sin \phi \\ &\quad - (Q_{22} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66}) \cos \phi \sin^3 \phi \\ \bar{Q}_{\theta 6} &= (Q_{11} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66}) \cos \phi \sin^3 \phi \\ &\quad - (Q_{22} - Q_{12} - 2Q_{66}) \cos^3 \phi \sin \phi.\end{aligned}$$

Ply properties

$$Q_{11} = \frac{E_{11}}{1 - \nu_{12}\nu_{21}}$$

$$Q_{22} = \frac{E_{22}}{1 - \nu_{12}\nu_{21}}$$

$$Q_{12} = Q_{21} = \frac{\nu_{21}E_{11}}{1 - \nu_{12}\nu_{21}}$$

$$Q_{66} = G_{12}$$

Laminate constitutive relations

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\sigma}_{rr} \\ \tilde{\sigma}_{\theta\theta} \\ \tilde{\tau}_{r\theta} \end{pmatrix} = [\mathbf{A}(\phi)] \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{rr} \\ \epsilon_{\theta\theta} \\ \gamma_{r\theta} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$[\mathbf{A}(\phi)] = \lambda \underbrace{[\bar{\mathbf{Q}}(90^\circ)]}_{\text{tang. stiffness}} + (1 - \lambda) \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{2}[\bar{\mathbf{Q}}(\phi)] + \frac{1}{2}[\bar{\mathbf{Q}}(-\phi)] \right)}_{\text{radial stiffness}}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{\text{total thickness of tangential reinforcement plies}}{\text{total thickness of laminate}}.$$

Laminate constitutive relations (cont.)

Effective strain-stress

$$\begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{rr} \\ \epsilon_{\theta\theta} \\ \gamma_{r\theta} \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} S_{rr} & S_{r\theta} & 0 \\ S_{r\theta} & S_{\theta\theta} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & S_{66} \end{pmatrix}}_{[\mathbf{S}(\phi)]} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\sigma}_{rr} \\ \tilde{\sigma}_{\theta\theta} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where $[\mathbf{S}(\phi)] = [\mathbf{A}(\phi)]^{-1}$ is the effective compliance matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{11} \\ \sigma_{22} \\ \tau_{12} \end{pmatrix}_k = [\mathbf{T}(\phi)]_k [\bar{\mathbf{Q}}(\phi)]_k [\mathbf{S}(\phi)] \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\sigma}_{rr} \\ \tilde{\sigma}_{\theta\theta} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Coordinate transformation

$$\mathbf{T}(\phi) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos^2 \phi & \sin^2 \phi & 2 \cos \phi \sin \phi \\ \sin^2 \phi & \cos^2 \phi & -2 \cos \phi \sin \phi \\ -\cos \phi \sin \phi & \cos \phi \sin \phi & \cos^2 \phi \sin^2 \phi \end{pmatrix}.$$

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- Nondimensional compliance: $S_{\theta\theta} = E_{11}S_{\theta\theta}$ and $S_{r\theta} = E_{11}S_{r\theta}$.

State equations

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= (x_2 - x_1 - x_4^2) / x_4, \\ \dot{x}_2 &= - [x_1 (x_4 \mathcal{S}'_{r\theta} u - \mathcal{S}_{rr}) - \mathcal{S}_{r\theta} x_4^2 \\ &\quad + x_2 (x_4 \mathcal{S}'_{\theta\theta} u + \mathcal{S}_{\theta\theta})] / [x_4 \mathcal{S}_{\theta\theta}], \\ \dot{x}_3 &= u, \\ \dot{x}_4 &= 1.\end{aligned}$$

where $\dot{x}_i = dx_i/d\tau$, $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$, $\mathcal{S}'_{\theta\theta} = d\mathcal{S}_{\theta\theta}/d\phi$, and $\mathcal{S}'_{r\theta} = d\mathcal{S}_{r\theta}/d\phi$.

Flywheel Performance

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- Design problem: Find the radial-ply fiber orientation that will maximize ω_f .

Failure theories: When does the disk fail?

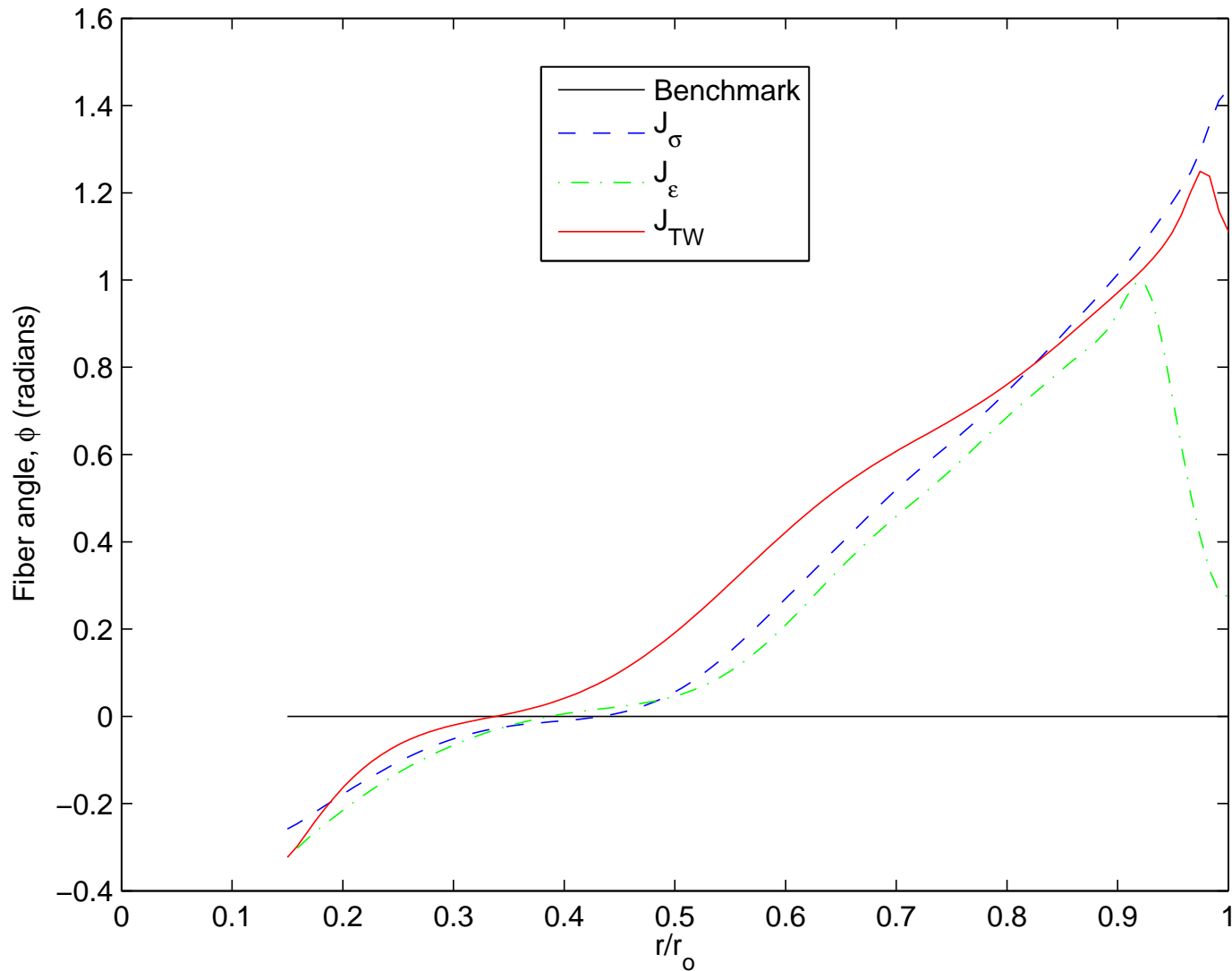
- Maximum stress failure criterion
- Maximum strain failure criterion
- Tsai-Wu failure criterion

Optimization results

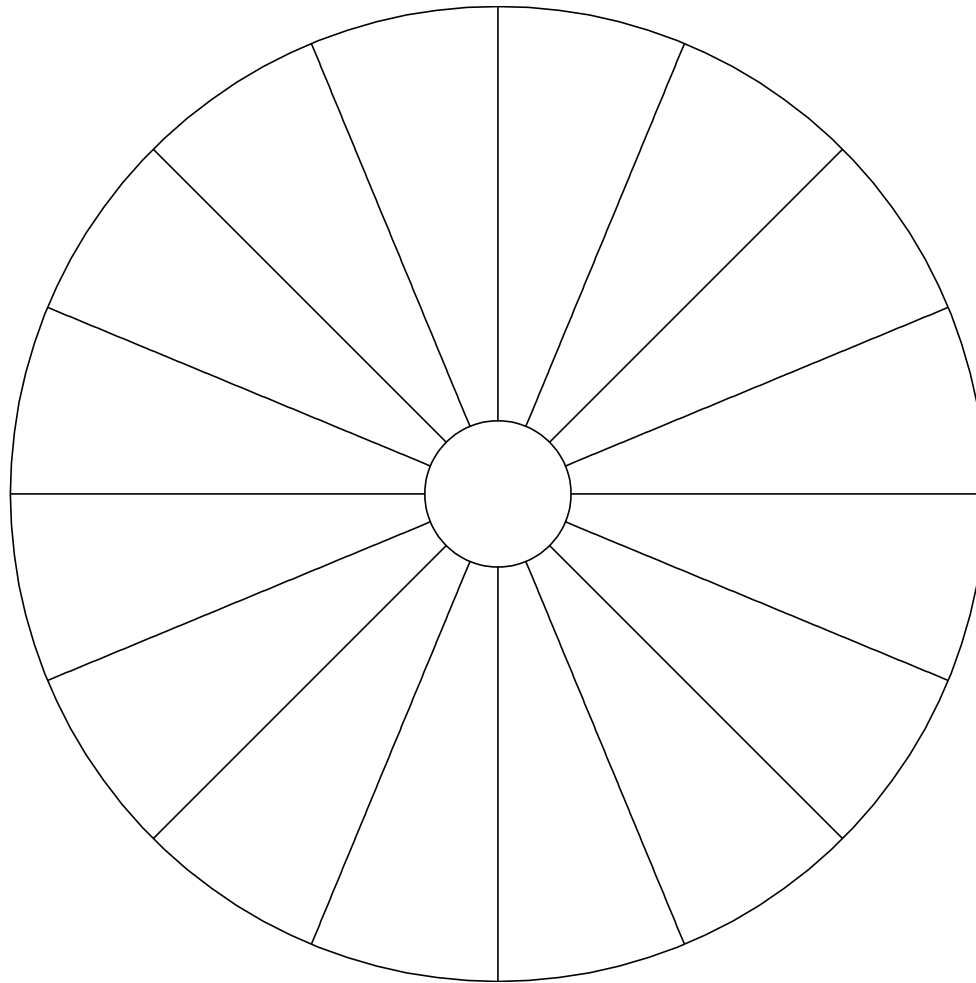
Compare 4 designs:

- Benchmark design: $\phi(\tau) = 0$.
- J_σ , maximum stress failure criterion.
- J_ϵ , maximum strain failure criterion.
- J_{TW} , Tsai-Wu failure criterion.

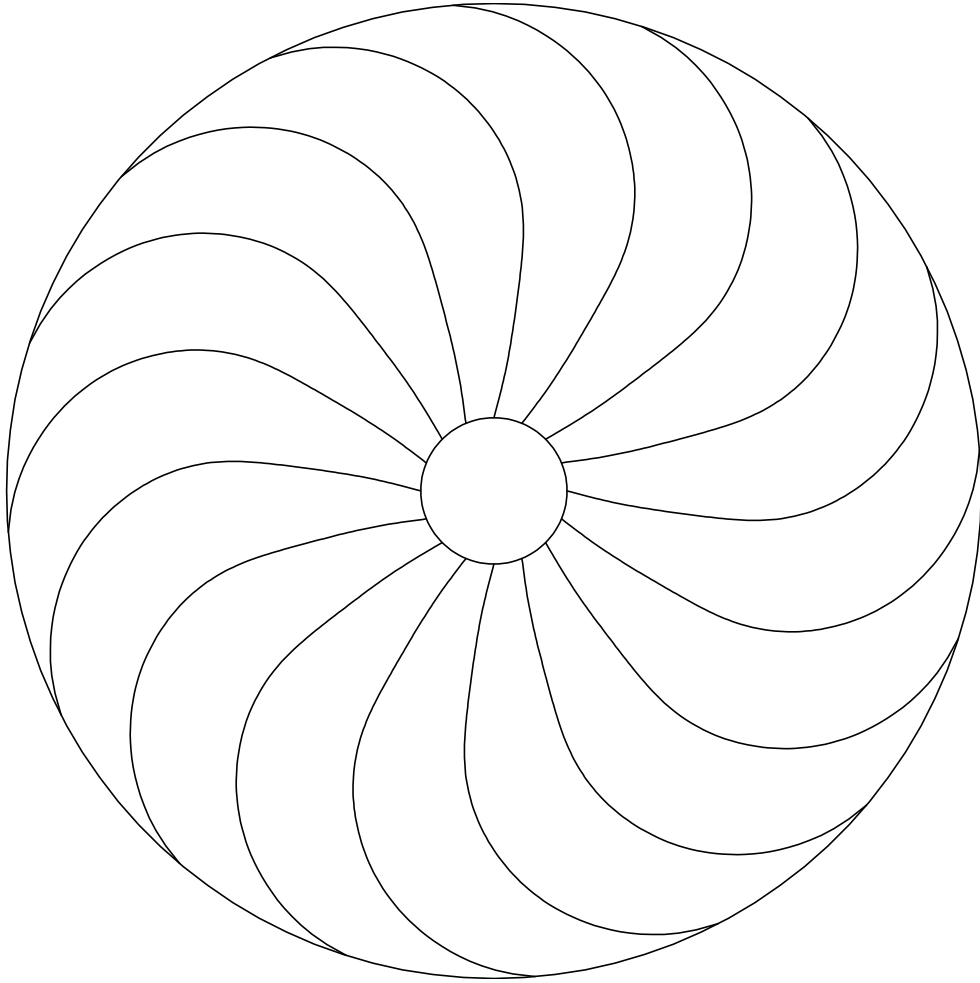
Fiber orientation



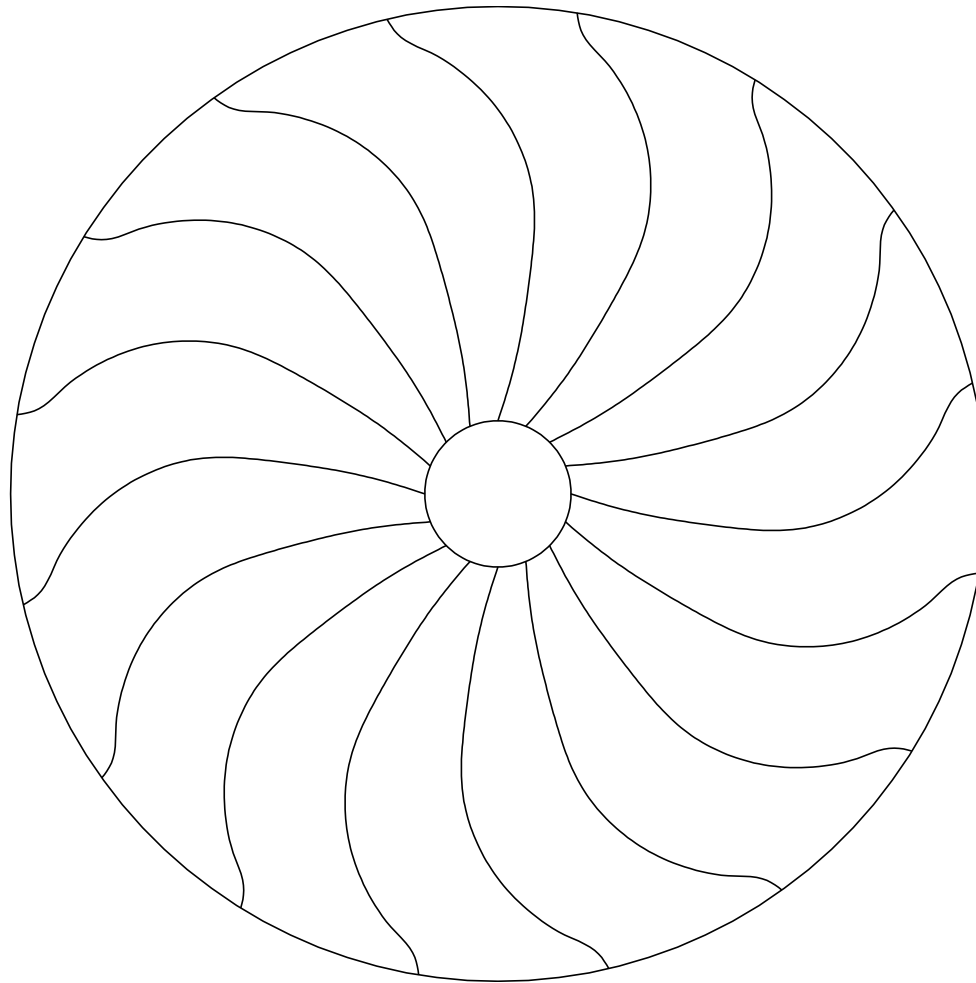
Benchmark design



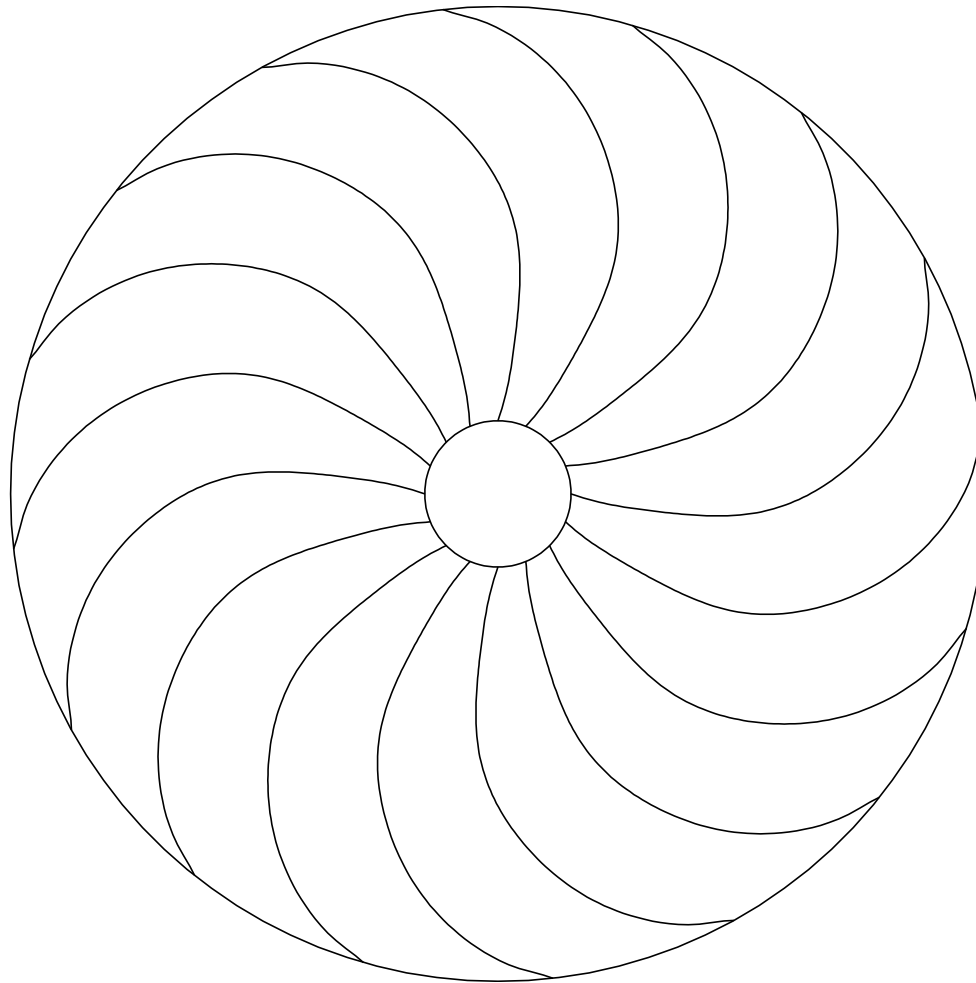
Maximum stress design



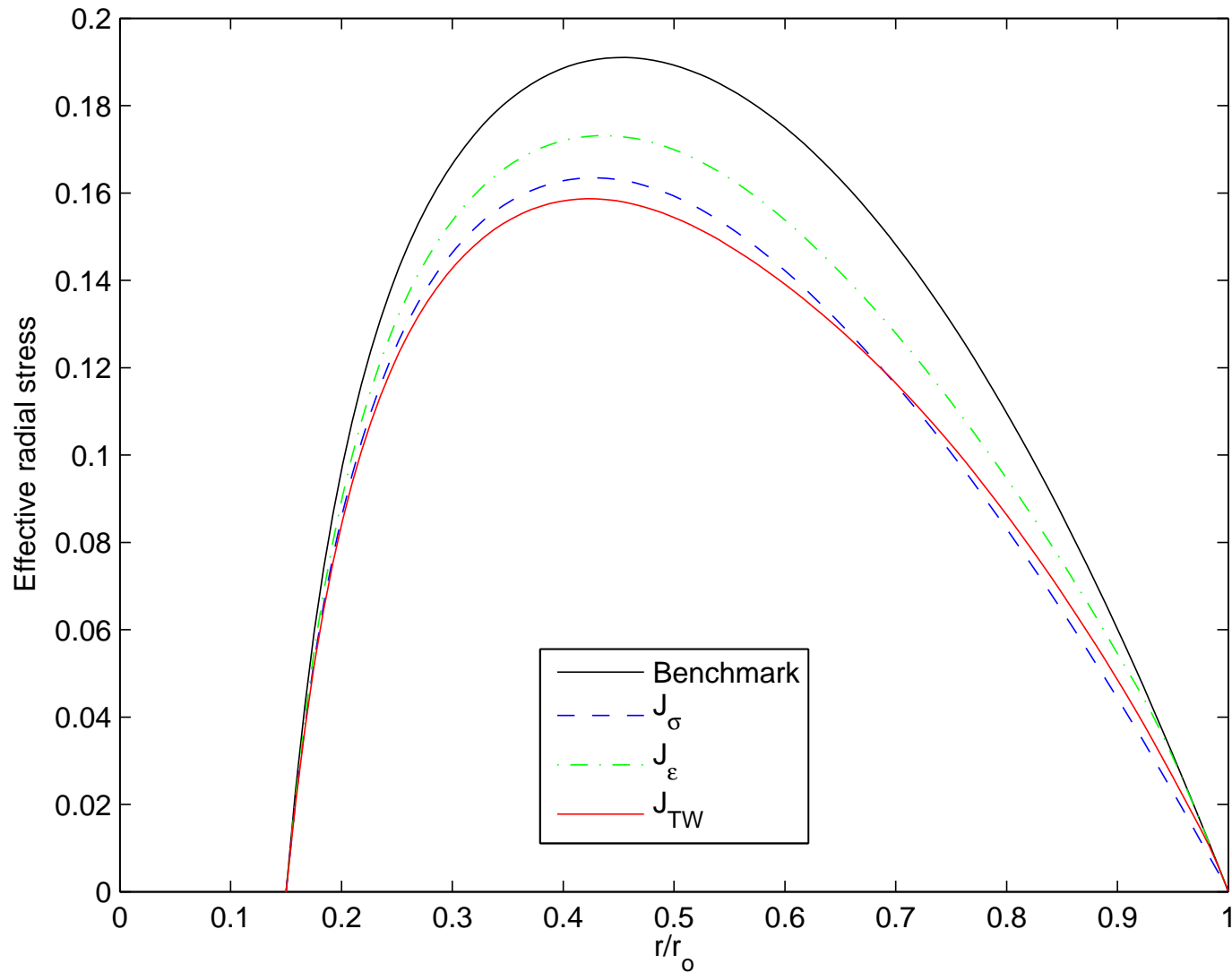
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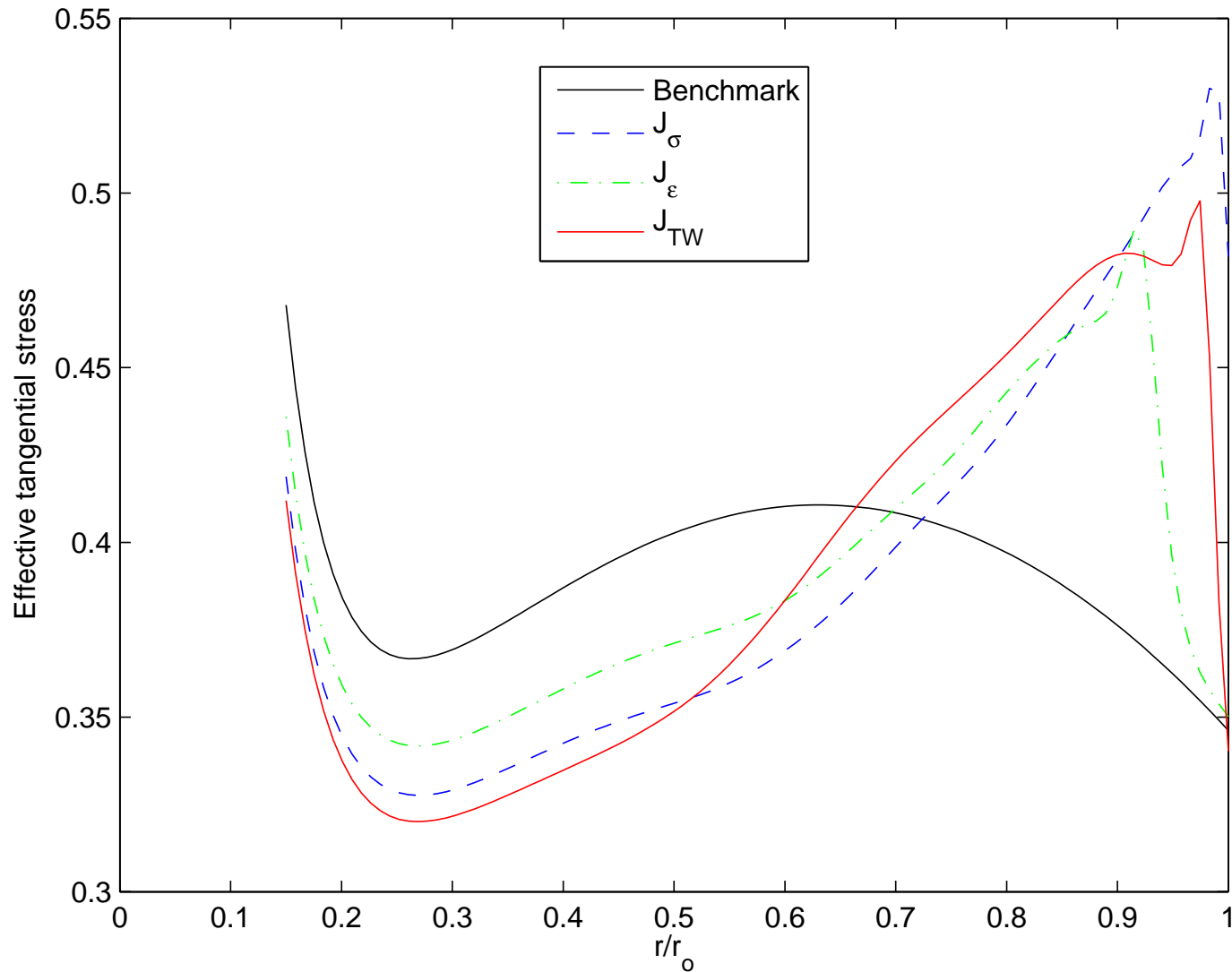
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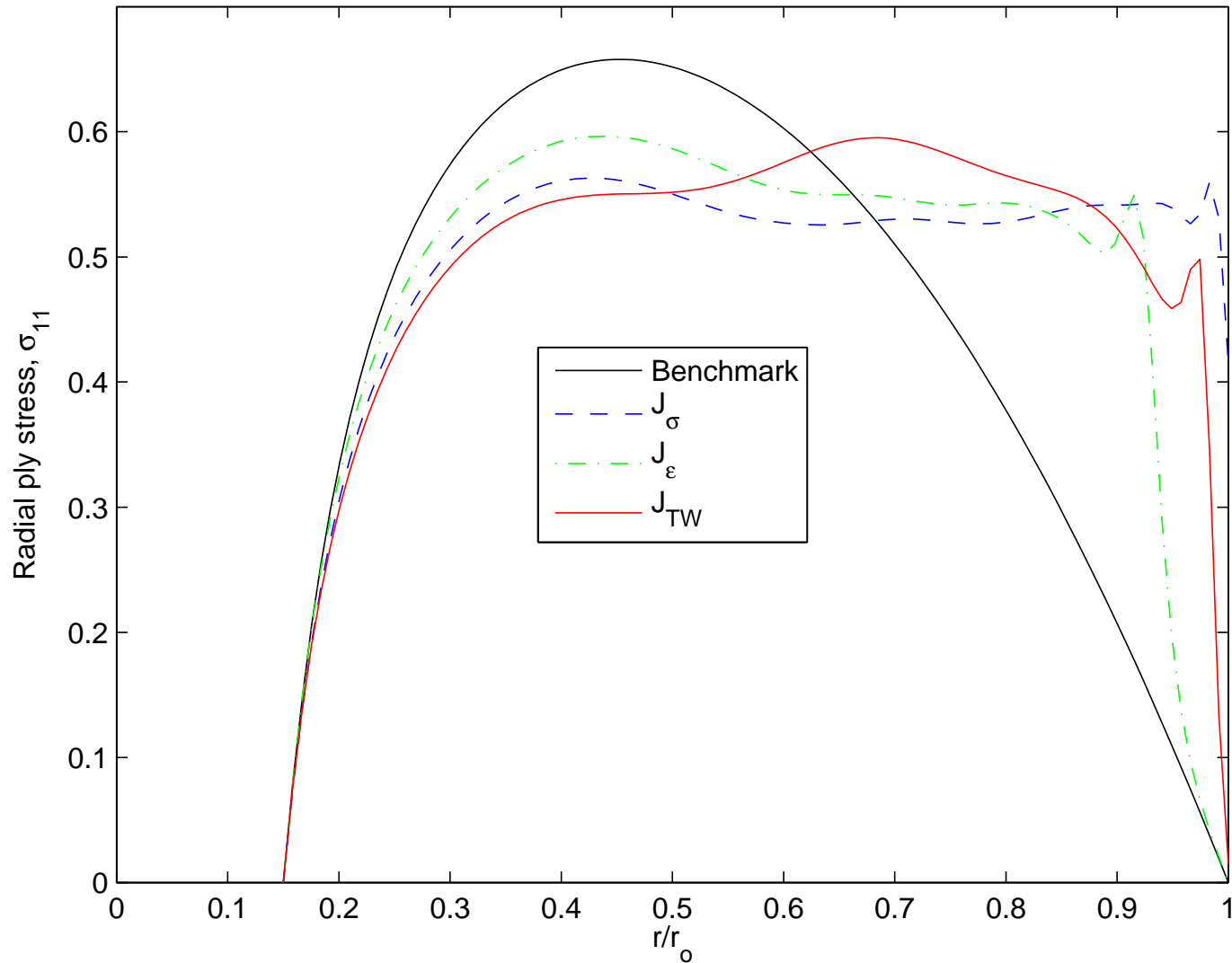
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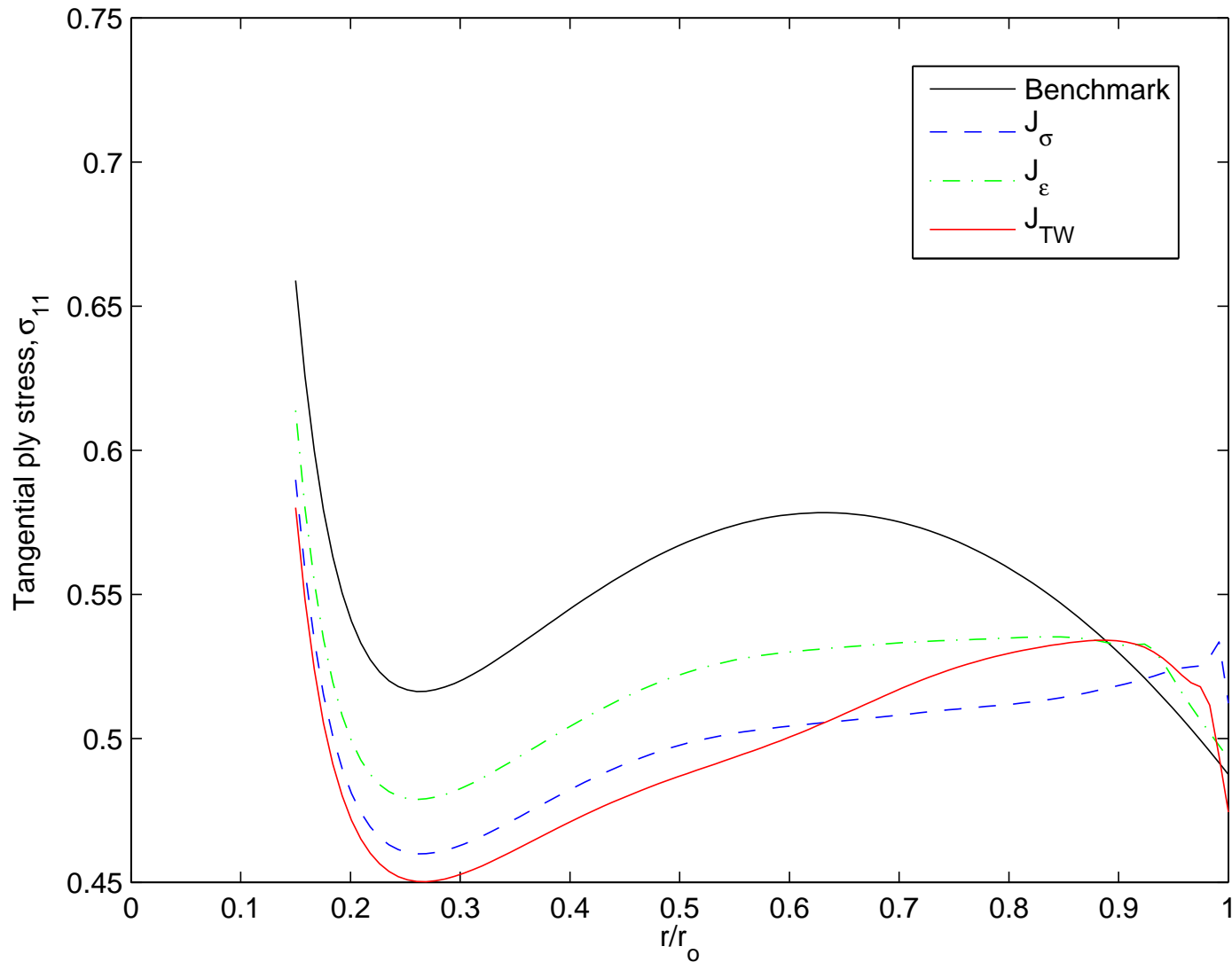
Effective tangential stress



Radial ply stress σ_{11}



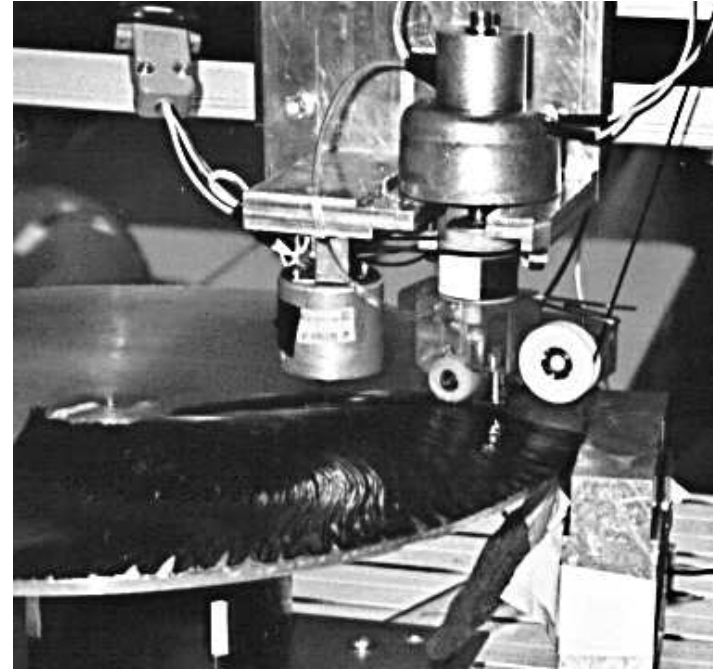
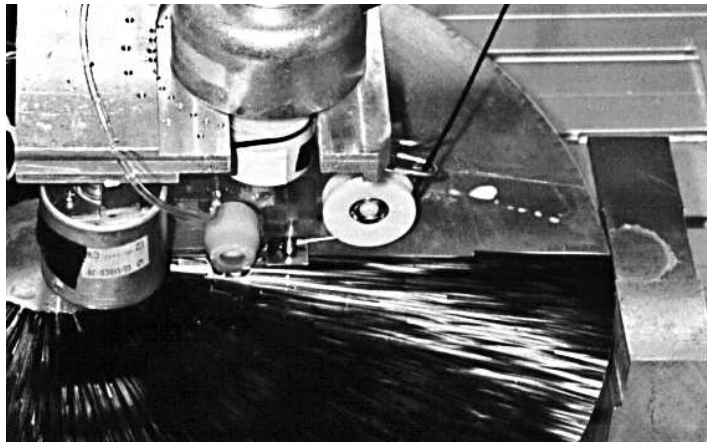
Tangential ply stress σ_{11}



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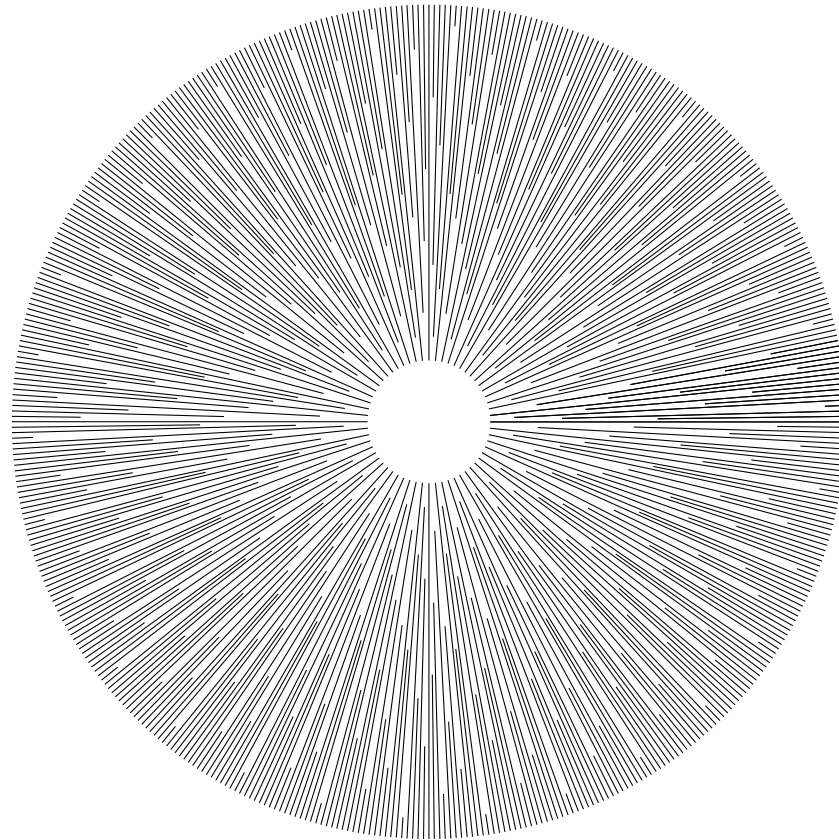
Disk design	Maximum stress	Maximum strain	Tsai-Wu
Benchmark	150	150	142
J_{σ}	168	168	106
J_{ϵ}	161	161	157
J_{TW}	166	166	156

Flywheel construction



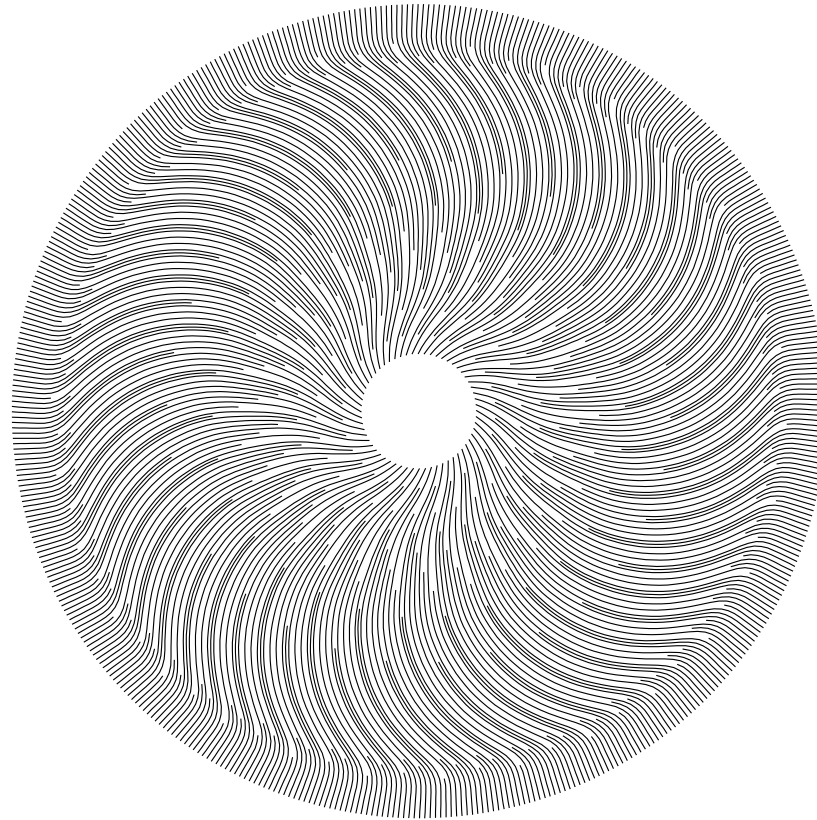
Fiber layout

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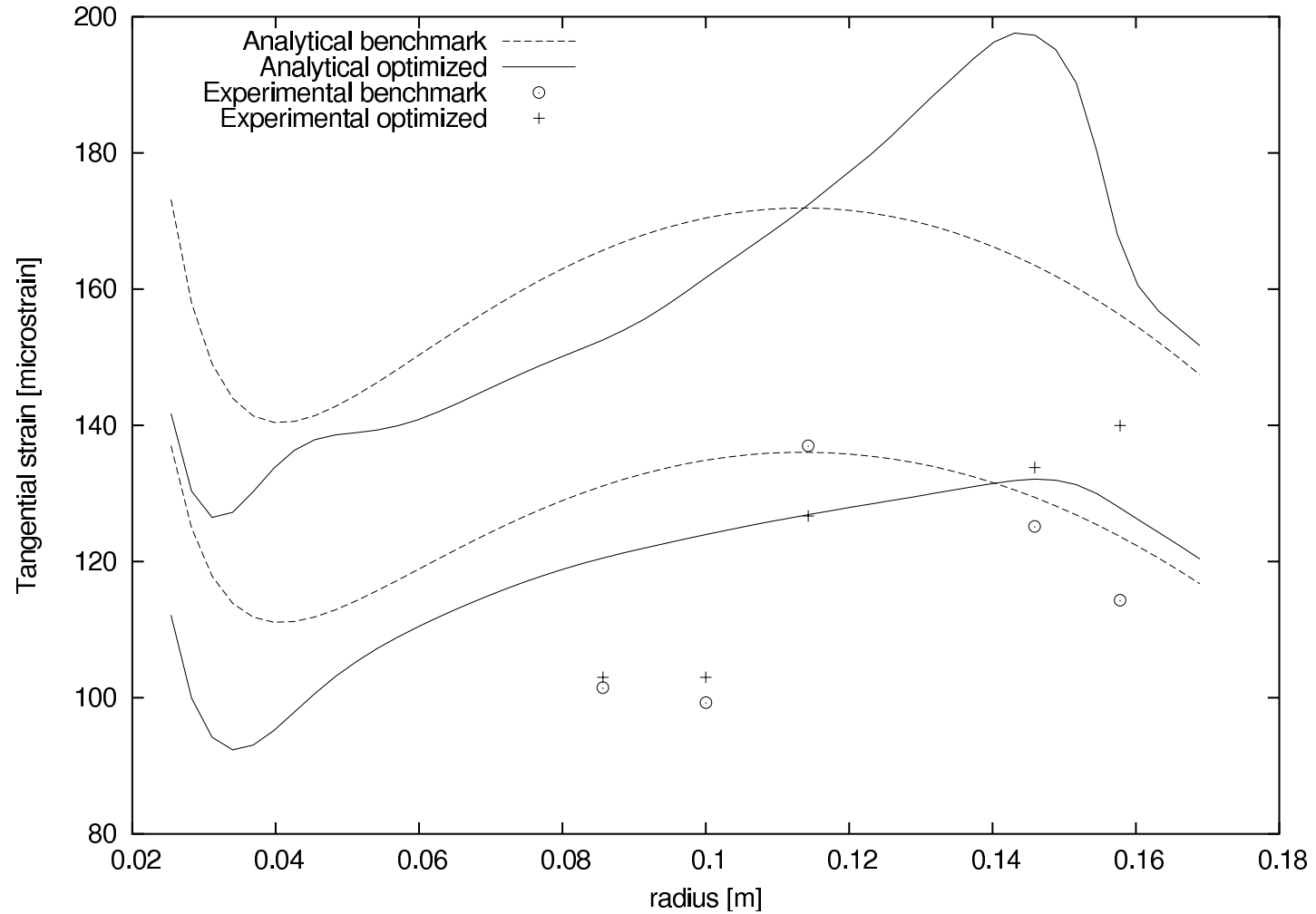


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Optimized design



Tangential strain



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