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Abstract

The laminated glasses(LGs)composites are gaining popularity as protectivestructural material. Delamination strength (DS) of (LGs) with different inter-layers and their different nominal thicknesses were compared. The effect of inter-layer thickness, delamination load, and inter-layer type on DS is clearly observed from this brief study. It is concluded that inter-layer thickness has the significant role in determining the DS of LGs. The statistical analysis confirmed the strong association of DS with inter-layer thickness and the interlayer type. It was found that the LG-PVB compositehas the comparatively lower DS than LG-EVA compositeand inter-layer thickness has the prominent role in the determination of DS in the LG-EVAcomposite. There is an increment in DS with an increment in critical inter-layer thickness in both LG-EVA and LG-PVBcomposites. The increment in the inter-layer thickness from 0.38 mm to 0.76 mm increases DS significantly; whereas, the further increment in the inter-layer thickness to the higher value has a lesser effect. The finite element model was constituted (without considering the effect of temperature) for determining DS of LG composite. The simulation results were in a good match with experimental results. Theresults of the present work can be utilized by the design engineers while selecting LG for structural applications.

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