

“Material Characterisation of Polyurethane-Based Paper Honeycomb Sandwich Structures”

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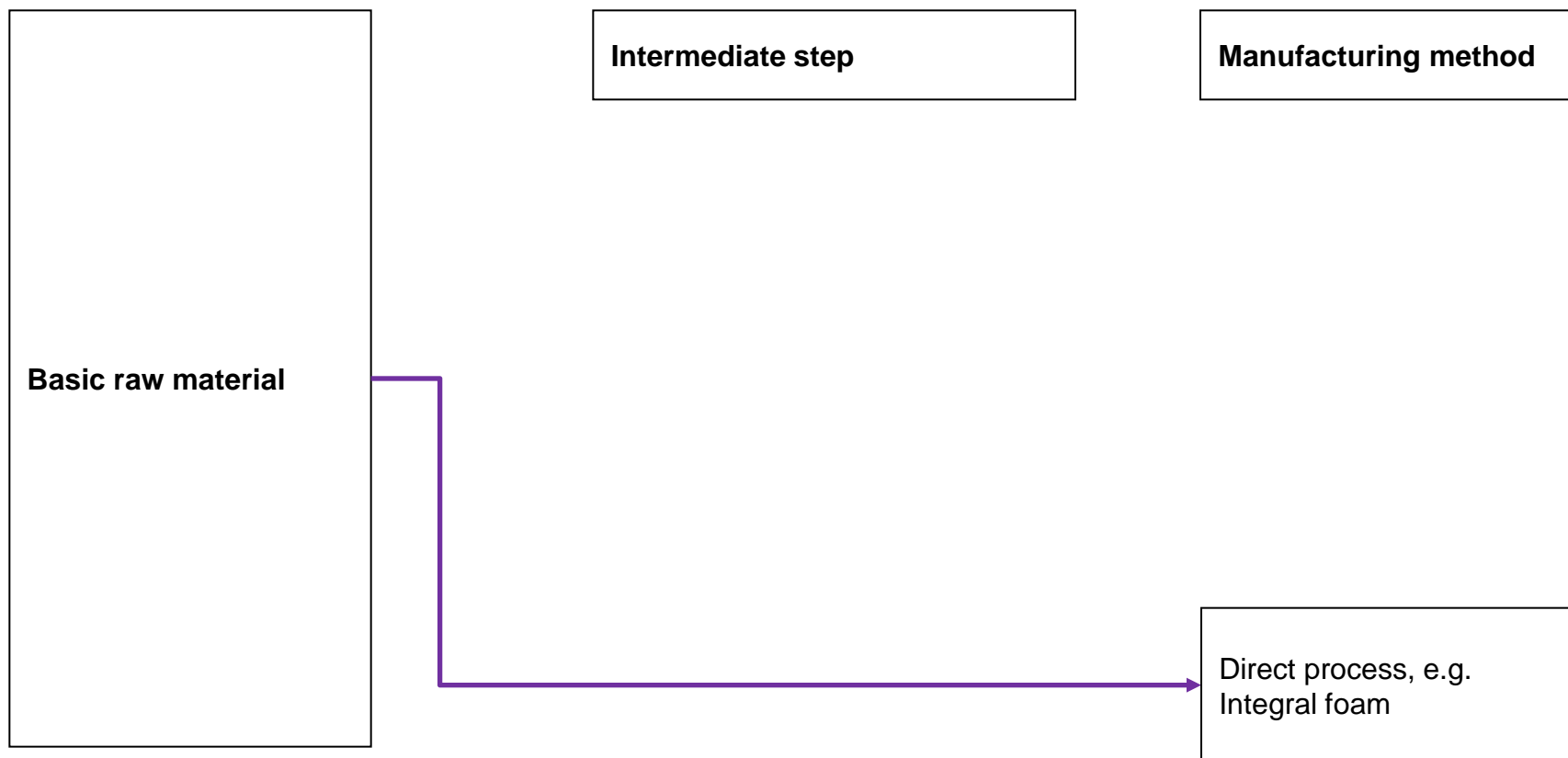
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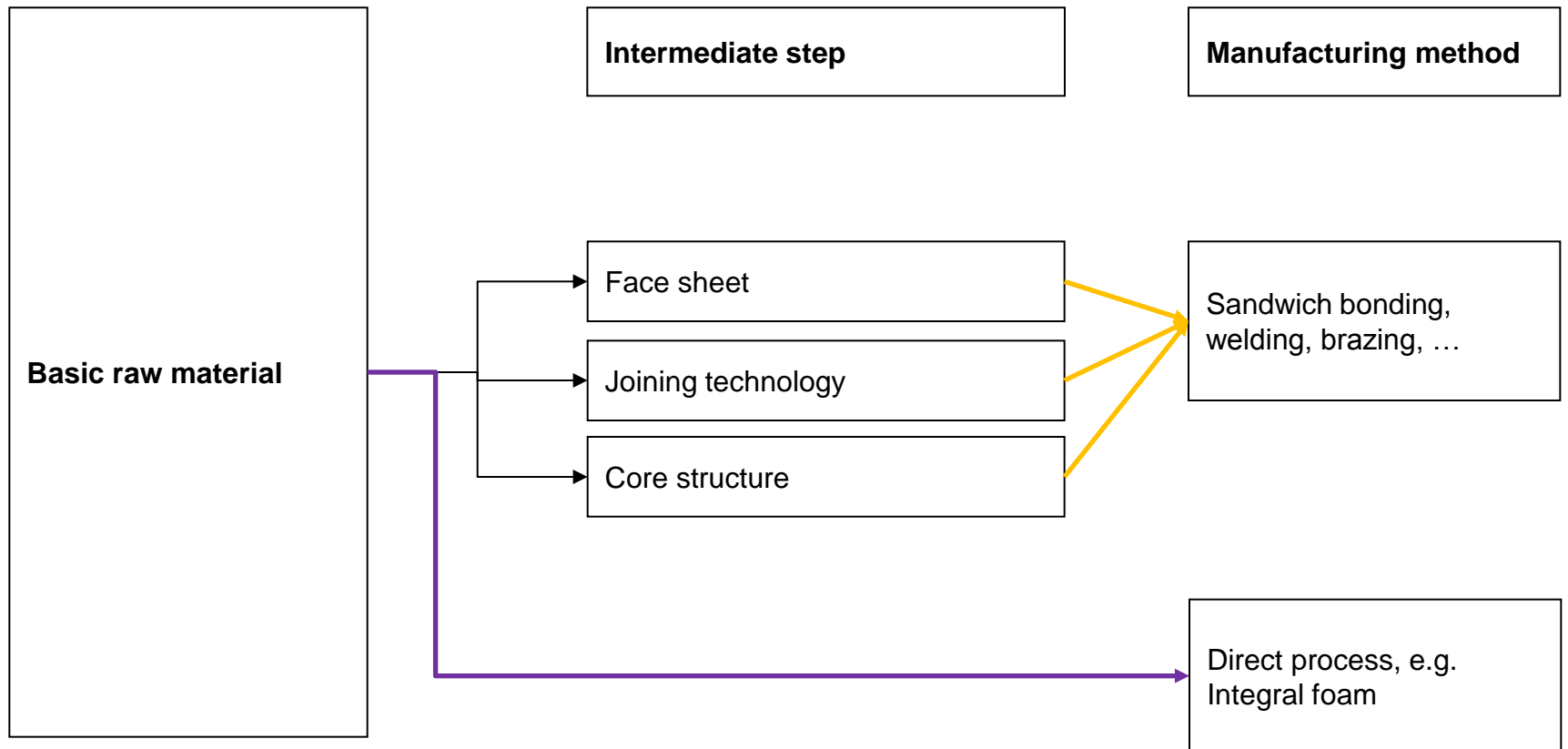
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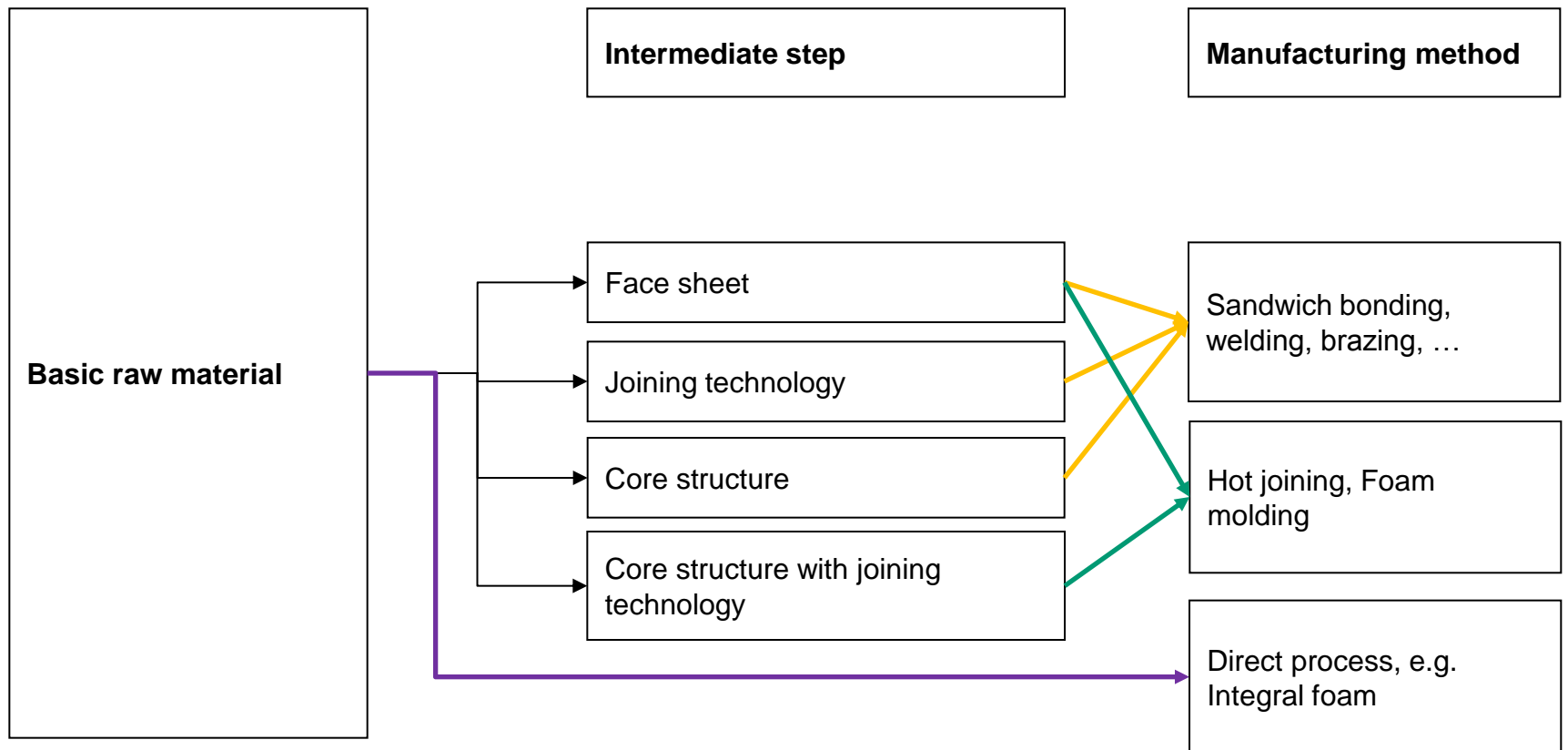
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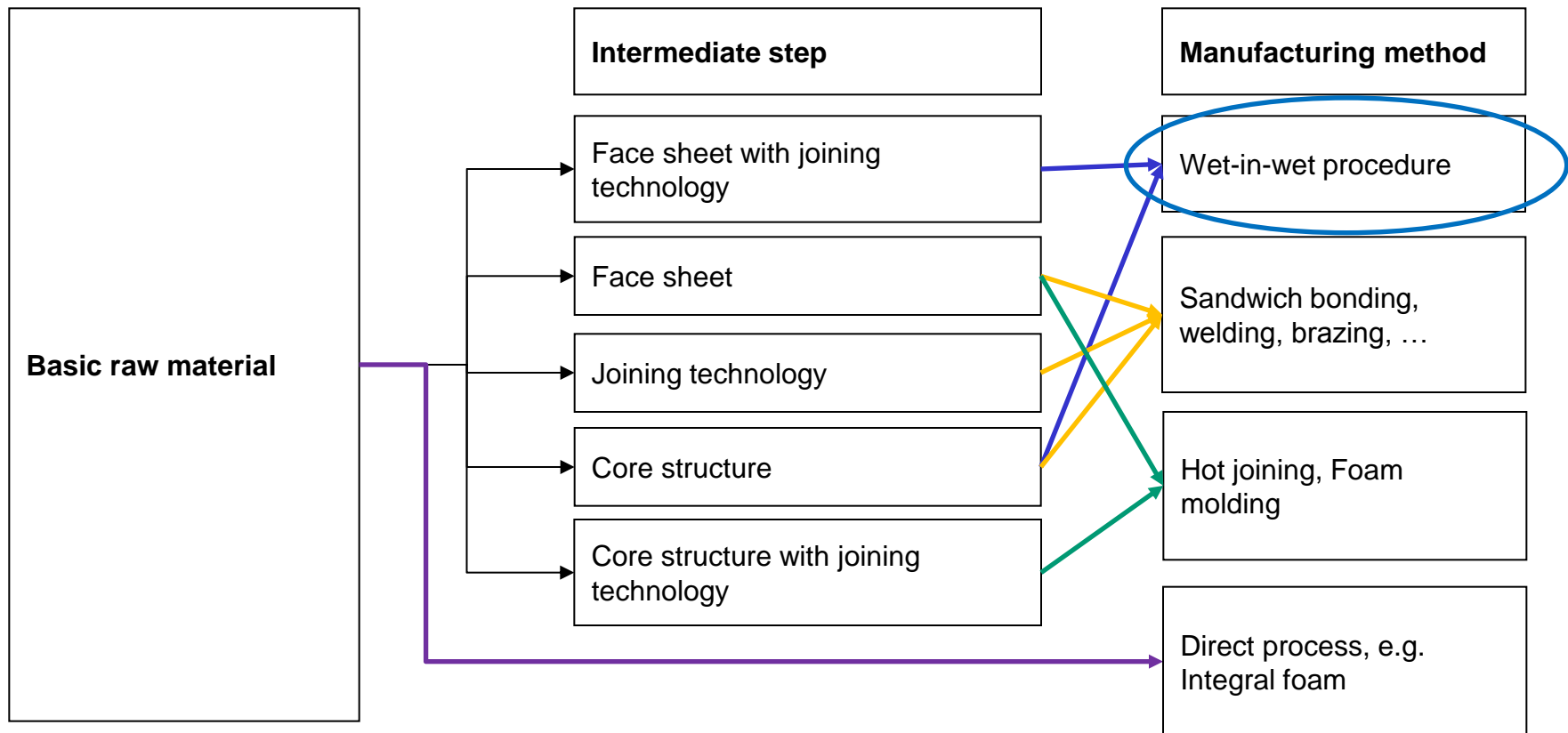
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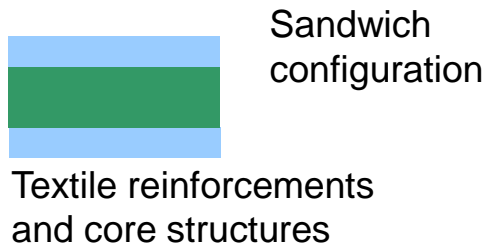
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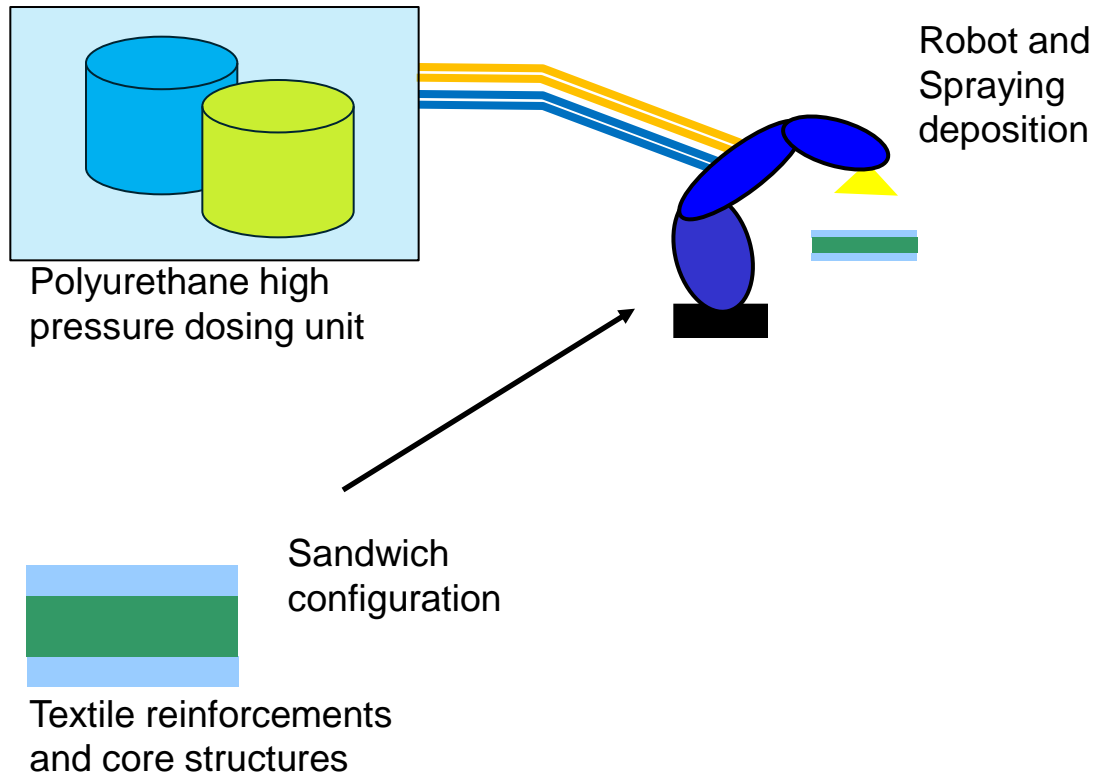


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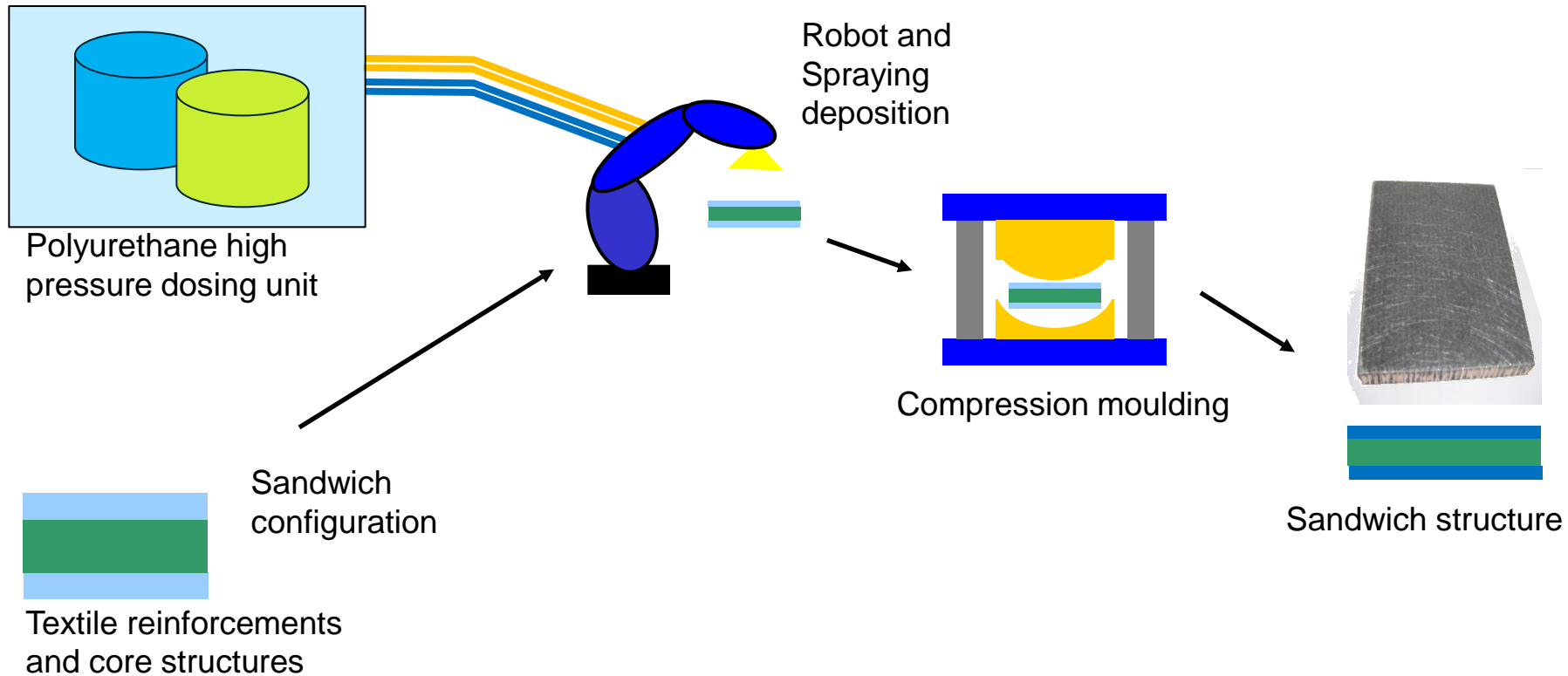


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Introduction and motivation

Challenges for the future development and application of the process

- Detail analyze of the sandwich and material properties, depending of the manufacturing process
- Examination of the relevant mode of failure



Sandwich characterization

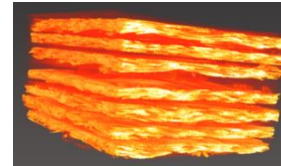
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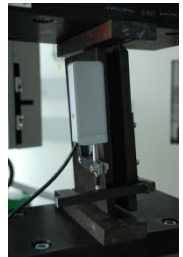
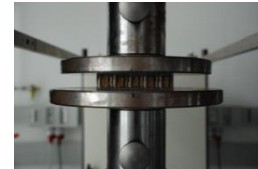
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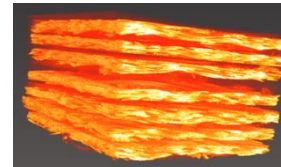
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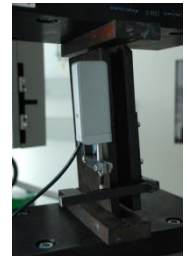
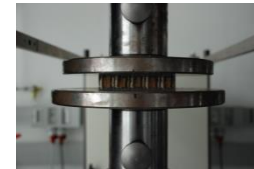
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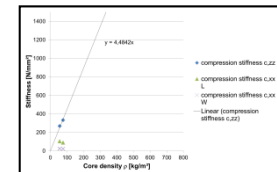
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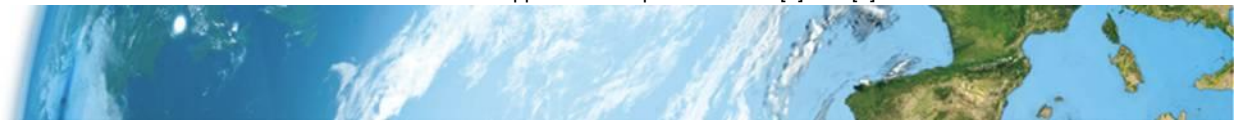
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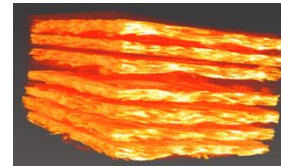
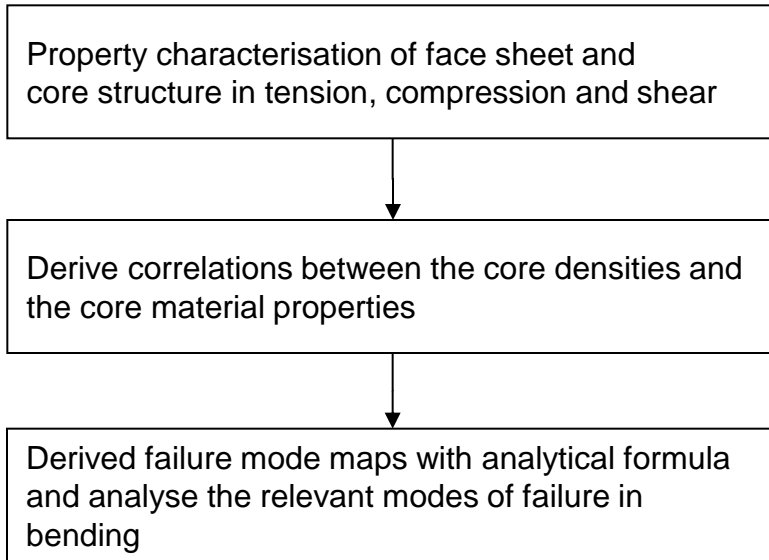


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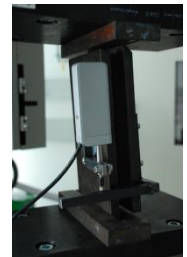
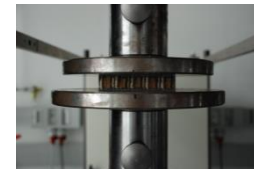


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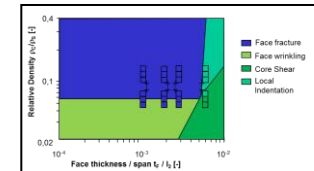
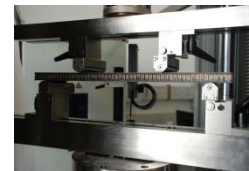
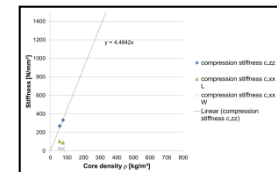
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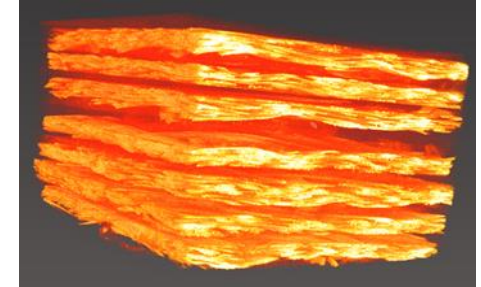
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Sandwich characterization

Face sheet material

- The face sheet thickness was measured with the computer tomograph (CT) also for different glass fiber mats
- In a wide range the material properties were independent of the mass of deposit polyurethane



Source: Fraunhofer ICT

	300 g/m ²	450 g/m ²	600 g/m ²	900 g/m ²
Face sheet thickness [μm]	340	430	545	781
Standard deviation [μm]	31	26	32	38
Young modulus [N/mm^2]	10300	12300	13200	13300
Standard deviation [N/mm^2]	510	530	560	850
Tensile strength [N/mm^2]	152	169	212	212
Standard deviation [N/mm^2]	9,1	11,0	6,3	10,3

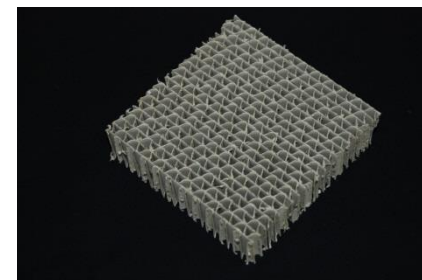
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Sandwich characterization

Variations of the sandwich structure

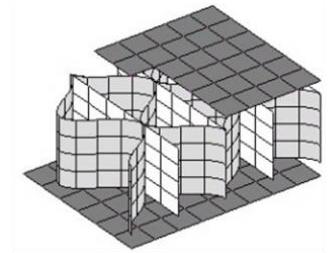
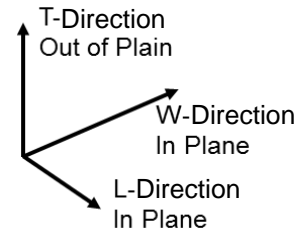
- Chopped glass strand mats with a mass per unit area of 600 g/m^2 in each cover as reinforcements for the faces
- Paper honeycomb core (A-wave, Testliner III, Density ca. 55 kg/m^3 and A-wave, Testliner II, Density ca. 75 kg/m^3)
- Polyurethane spraying deposition of 600 g/m^2 on the face sheets



Sandwich characterization

Core material

- The core properties were measured in plane and out of plane
- Measurement based on DIN53291, DIN53292 and DIN53294



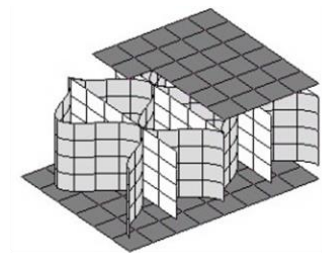
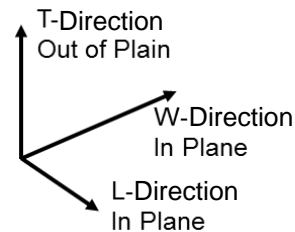
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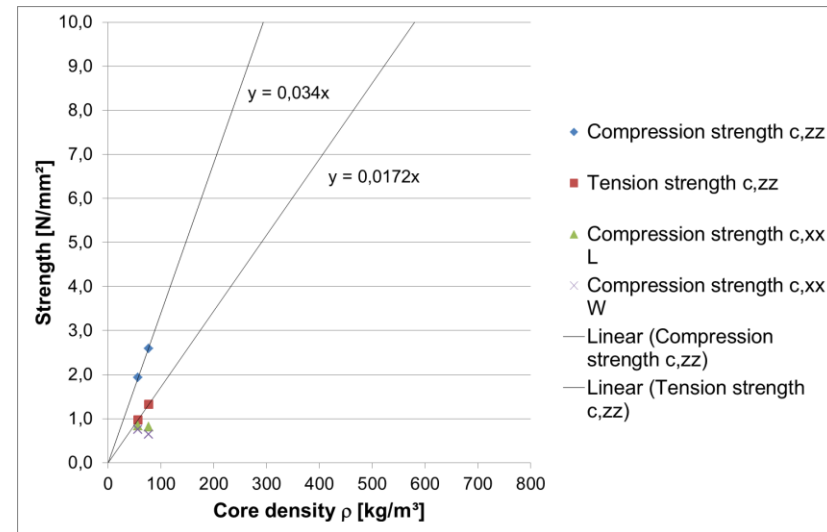
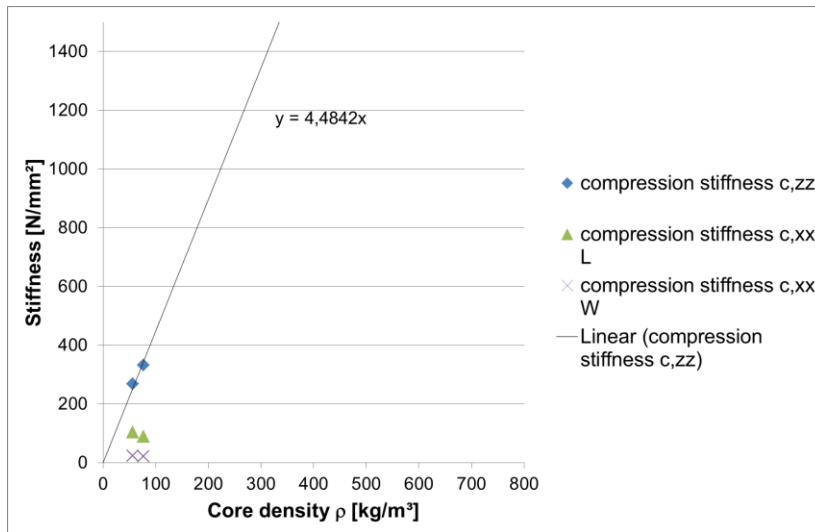
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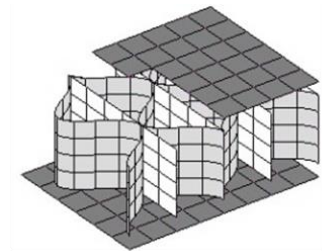
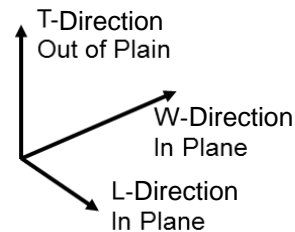
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- Examples:



In Plane: $\sigma_{xx}, \sigma_{yy}, \tau_{xy}$
 Out of Plane: $\sigma_{zz}, \tau_{xz}, \tau_{yz}$

Material properties	Correlation in tension and compression
Tension strenght out of plane	$\frac{\sigma_{C,tension,zz}}{\sigma_S} = \left(\frac{\rho_C}{\rho_S}\right)$
Strenght in compression out of plane	$\frac{\sigma_{C,Pressure,zz}}{\sigma_S} = \left(\frac{\rho_C}{\rho_S}\right)$

Material properties	Correlation in shear
Shear strenght out of plane L-direction	$\frac{\tau_{C,xz,L}}{\tau_S} = 1,348 \cdot \left(\frac{\rho_C}{\rho_S}\right)$
Shear stiffness out of plane L-direction	$\frac{G_{C,xz,L}}{G_S} = 0,763 \cdot \left(\frac{\rho_C}{\rho_S}\right)$



Sandwich characterization

Sandwich configuration in bending

- Relevant mode of failure:

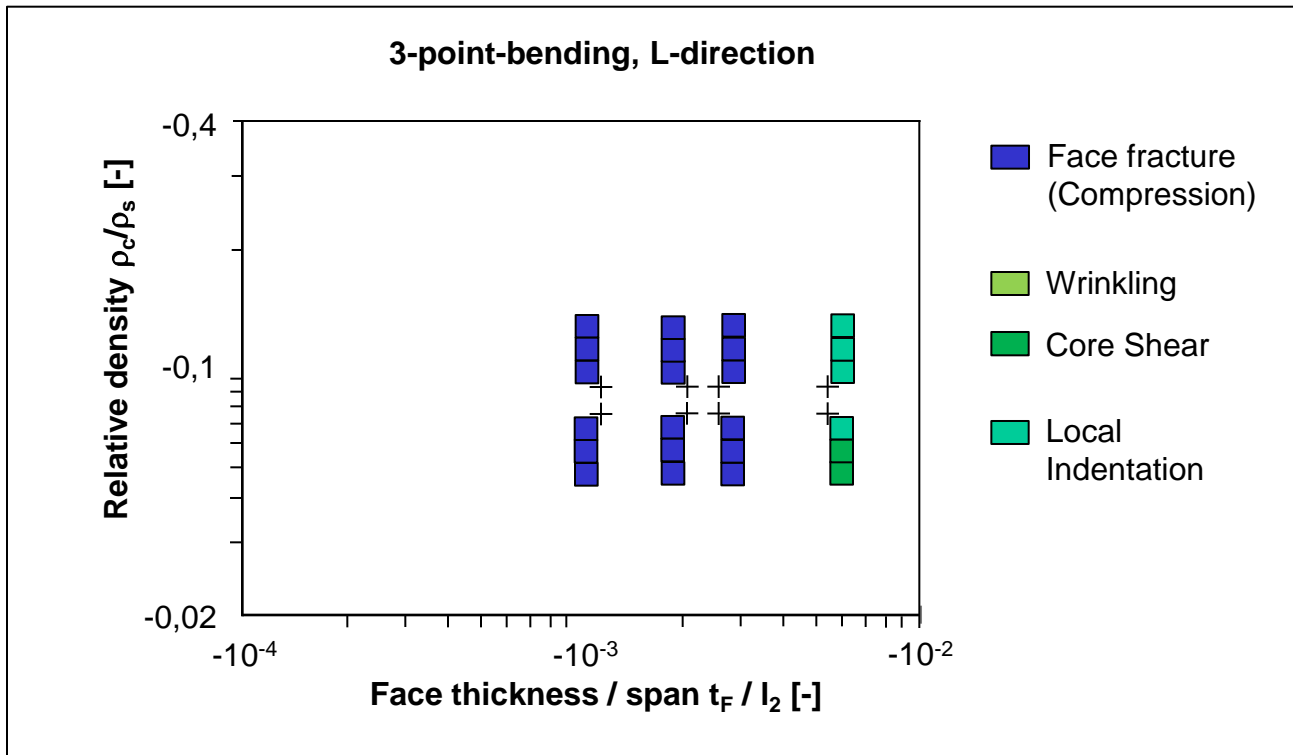
- Face sheet failure
- Core shear failure
- Local indentation



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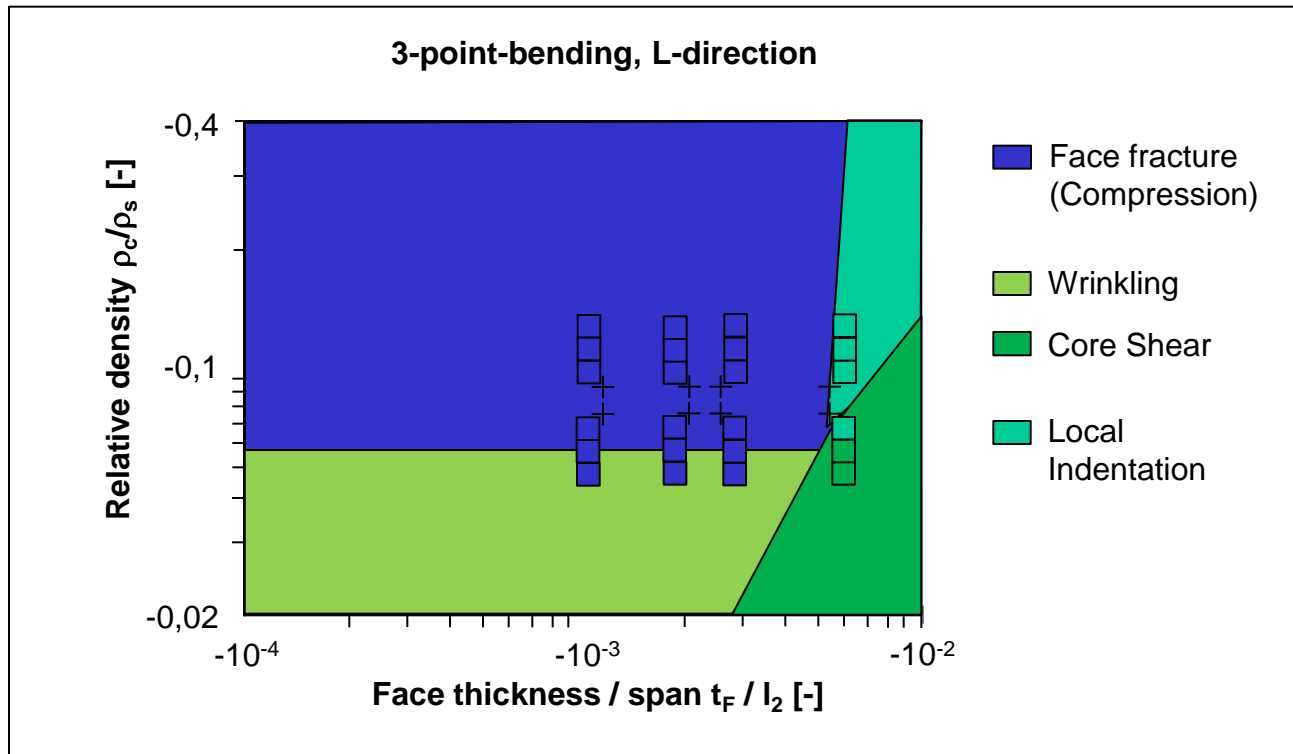
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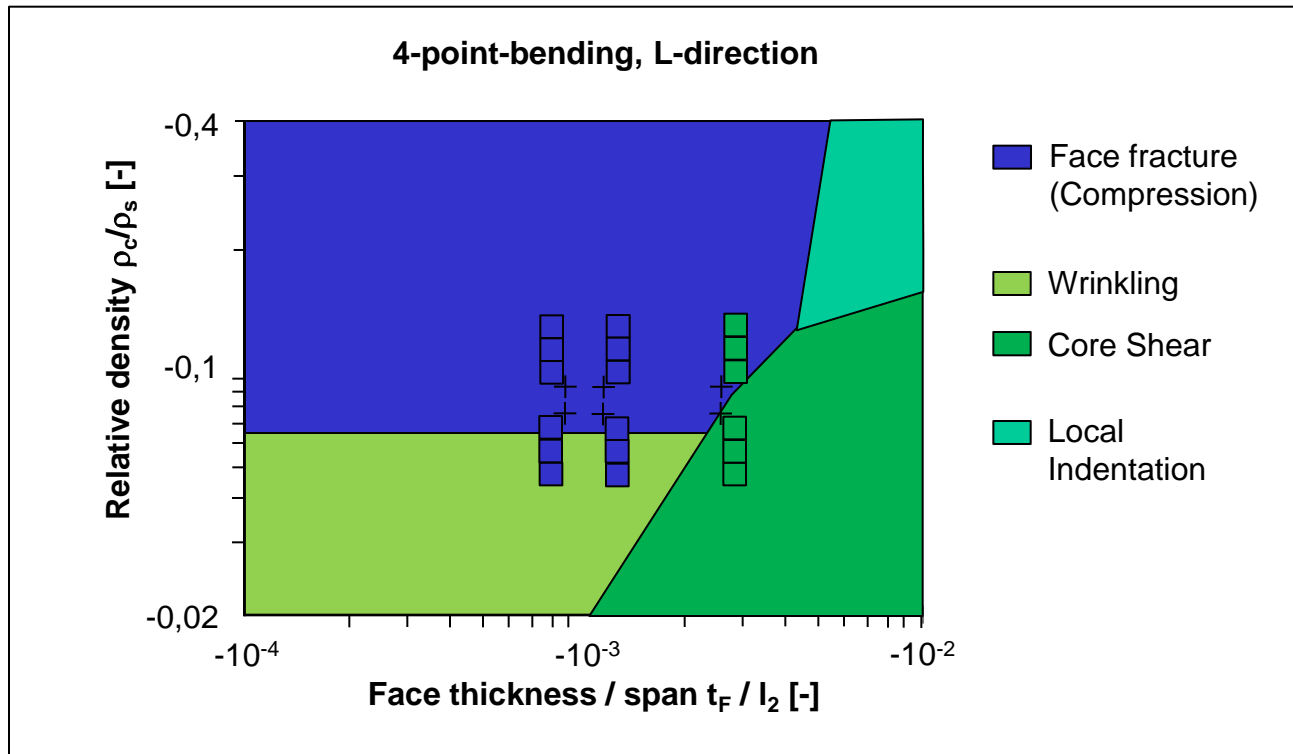
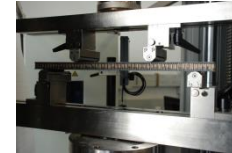
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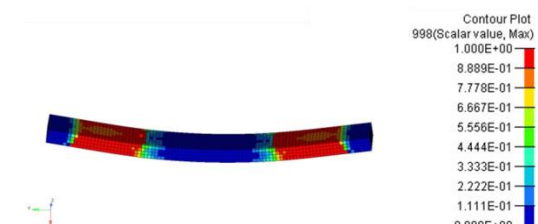
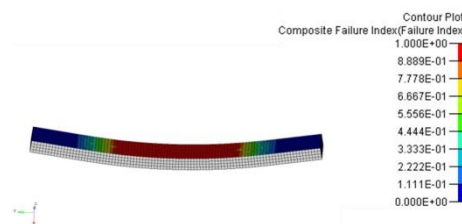
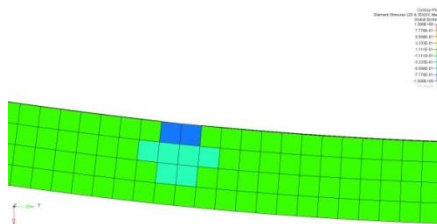
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Conclusion

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- Basic material parameters were determined from sandwich structures produced using the polyurethane fibre spraying process
- Furthermore, the critical failure modes were determined using bending tests
- These results were used to design and simulate such sandwich components with FEM





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