

Physics-Constrained Neural Network for Design and Feature-Based Optimization of Weave Architectures

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Abstract

Woven fabrics play an essential role in everyday textiles for clothing/sportswear, water filtration, retaining walls, and reinforcements in stiff composites for lightweight structures in aerospace, sporting, automotive, and marine industries. Several possible weave architectures (combinations of weave patterns and material choices) present a challenging question about how they could influence the physical and mechanical properties of woven fabrics and reinforced structures. This paper presents a novel Physics-Constrained Neural Network (PCNN) to predict the mechanical properties (like modulus) of weave architectures and the inverse problem of predicting pattern/material sequence for a design/target modulus value. The inverse problem is particularly challenging as it usually requires many iterations to find the appropriate architecture using traditional optimization approaches. We show that the proposed PCNN can more accurately predict weave architecture for the desired modulus than several baseline models considered. We present a feature-based optimization strategy to improve predictions using features in the Grey Level Co-occurrence Matrix space. We combine PCNN with feature-based optimization to discover near-optimal weave architectures and facilitate the initial design of weave architecture. The proposed frameworks will primarily enable the woven composite analysis and optimization process and be a starting point to introduce knowledge-guided neural networks into the complex structural analysis.

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¹ 1. Introduction

² Woven fabric, a textile material, is formed by weaving or interlacing warp and weft fiber bundles
³ in the orthogonal directions. Woven fabric has a wide range of applications, from everyday textiles
⁴ for clothing and fashion to reinforcements in stiff composites for lightweight structures like aerospace,
⁵ sporting, automotive, and marine industries [1, 2, 3, 4]. Computer-controlled digital looms have
⁶ revolutionized the textile industry by offering a level of precision and flexibility that was previously
⁷ unimaginable. These advanced looms allow for intricate and complex designs to be woven with ease,
⁸ enabling the creation of technical fabrics that were once difficult or even impossible to produce. These
⁹ digitally controlled systems enable designers to experiment with patterns and materials in real time,
¹⁰ leading to innovative and custom fabric designs. This is particularly valuable for specialized applications
¹¹ in industries such as aerospace, automotive, and fashion. Possible combinations of weave patterns and
¹² choices of materials for the warp/weft fiber bundles present a promising yet challenging question about
¹³ how they could influence corresponding physical and mechanical properties. Plain, twill, and satin are
¹⁴ the most common uniform weave patterns. The mechanical properties of woven fabric depend primarily

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15 on the weave patterns and fiber properties. Although these common weave patterns have been studied
16 in detail for their stiffening and strengthening capabilities, there is a lack of understanding of the
17 influence of non-traditional or non-uniform patterns and multiple fiber materials on these properties.
18 To that end, we present a novel **Physics-Constrained Neural Network (PCNN)** to predict the
19 mechanical properties like the modulus of weave architectures (weave pattern, weave material sequence)
20 and the inverse problem of predicting pattern/material sequence for a design/target modulus value.
21 Though these frameworks can be applied to any woven fabric, we consider **woven composites** as our
22 case study to develop and demonstrate their phenomenal advantage.

23 Woven composites used for structural applications are stiff composites typically comprising woven
24 fabrics with high-strength fibers like Carbon, glass, or Aramid embedded within a matrix material to
25 enhance structural integrity and mechanical properties. Polymers, ceramics, or metals are commonly
26 used as the matrix material in these composites. Polymers are a popular choice among these materials
27 due to their advantages, which include versatility, cost-effectiveness, chemical and corrosion resistance,
28 etc. These composites have drawn significant interest in recent years due to their tunable mechanical
29 properties, high strength-to-weight ratio, high production rate, and structural durability[5]. To better
30 understand woven composites, many researchers have been focusing on exploring the mechanical
31 properties. Research to find woven composites' mechanical properties largely relies on analytical
32 representation or numerical analysis like Finite Element Analysis (FEA). Researchers first focus on the
33 analytical representations. Naik et al.[6] proposed a shape function to define the woven fabric geometry
34 by considering the actual strand cross-section geometry, the possible gap between adjacent strands, and
35 the undulation and continuity of strands along the warp and weft directions. Jiang et al.[7] presented a
36 three-dimensional representative volume-element model to study the micromechanical behavior of woven
37 fabric composites; the model displayed a good agreement with the published experimental. Moreover,
38 the relationship between geometric parameters and the macromechanical behavior of the composites
39 could be obtained from the proposed model. Khan et al.[8] proposed a simplified mathematical
40 micromechanics model for calculating the mechanical properties of plain weave composites using FEA.
41 The proposed model considered geometry close to the actual fabric by utilizing geometric parameters
42 like yarn undulations and interactions between warp and weft tows. Although the analytical approach
43 is computationally efficient, it cannot accurately represent the model's complexity and mechanical
44 responses. Thus, several researchers focus on utilizing FEA to analyze the woven composites numerically.
45 Ishikawa et al.[9] conduct the one-dimensional micromechanical analysis on the woven composites to
46 derive the upper and lower bounds of stiffness and compliance constants. The result is further validated
47 with 2D FEA. Whitcomb et al.[10, 11, 12] utilize FEA to analyze the three-dimensional stress of plain
48 woven composites and the boundary effect. Gowayed et al.[13] presented different types of fiber and
49 fiber arrangements in fiber-reinforced polymer woven fabrics. The impact of fiber assembling into yarns
50 and fabrics is also discussed in the paper. Dong et al.[14] utilize experimental and Finite Element
51 analysis to find the plain weave composites' thermal conductivity and further compare the conductive
52 behavior with unidirectional lamina. These methods have shown the power of FEA in analyzing woven
53 composite models by including much more geometric complexity than the analytical approach. However,
54 using FEA to explore the mechanical properties is time-consuming as each woven model needs to be
55 solved numerically until convergence. Moreover, computational cost is even higher when dealing with
56 woven composites optimization since there is a large design flexibility for the weave pattern and the

57 choice of materials. Thus, these limitations of FEA have required a more efficient and convenient way to
58 understand woven composites, which has driven researchers to utilize Machine Learning for composite
59 material prediction and optimization-related problems.

60 The emergence of Machine Learning (ML) methods research largely facilitates understanding composite
61 materials and predicting the corresponding mechanical properties. Among existing ML algorithms,
62 Deep Convolutional Neural Network[15] (DCNN) and Generative Adversarial Network[16] (GAN) are
63 the most widely used. DCNN is a class of deep neural networks consisting of several convolutional,
64 pooling, and fully connected layers. DCNN has been widely used in different fields, including image
65 classification[15], recommender system[17], image segmentation[18], and natural language processing[19].
66 GAN is developed similarly to game theory, where Nash equilibrium is reached when the model converges.
67 There is a generator and a discriminator Network in GAN. GAN has been used in different fields,
68 including unsupervised learning[20, 21], semi-supervised learning[22], fully supervised learning[23], and
69 reinforcement learning[24]. Regarding ML's application in composite materials analysis, Wei et al.[25]
70 demonstrate that machine learning methods like support vector regression, Gaussian process regression,
71 and convolutional neural network (CNN) are useful tools to predict the effective thermal conductivities
72 of composite materials and porous media. Chen et al.[26] give an overview of how different Machine
73 Learning algorithms can accelerate composite materials research, including several different regression
74 models, neural networks (especially CNN), and the Gaussian process. Feng et al.[27] propose a Deep
75 Learning method to predict composite micromechanical models' stress distribution contours using
76 a Difference-based Neural Network, where the neural network focuses on predicting the differences
77 to a reference sample. Bang et al.[28] propose a framework to identify the defects within composite
78 materials by integrating thermo-graphic images of composite with deep learning. Liu et al.[29] propose
79 a new failure criterion for fiber tows in woven composites by combining mechanics of structure genome
80 and a deep neural network model. Nardi et al.[30] utilize the artificial neural network to predict the
81 thermoforming process of thermoplastic composites. The authors focus on the glass fiber-reinforced
82 polyetherimide woven composite and discuss the essential features needed for accurate predictions of
83 the temperature fields over the thermoforming process. The authors further discuss the potentiality of
84 using Machine Learning to determine the optimal range of the process parameters. Sepasdar et al.[31]
85 propose the modified U-Net network to predict the damage and failure in microstructure-dependent
86 composites. Gu et al.[32] use ML to analyze the strength and toughness of 2D checkerboard models for
87 2D printed bi-material composites. The authors used a single-layer convolutional neural network with
88 two binary classifiers. Further, Abueidda et al.[33] also focus on a 2D checkerboard model and utilized
89 a genetic algorithm to optimize a checkerboard composite pattern for maximum strength and toughness
90 based on different volume fractions. Bakar et al.[34] also utilized the genetic algorithm and parametric
91 study to optimize the elastic modulus of the weave pattern. Wang et al.[35] also utilized the genetic
92 algorithm-based method to increase the tensile strength of triaxial weave fabrics. Besides evolutionary
93 algorithms-based optimization like genetic algorithm, there are other different types of optimization
94 methods applied to woven composites or more general composite materials including gradient-based
95 optimization[36], regression-based optimization[37], particle swarm optimization[38] and artificial bee
96 colony algorithm[39]. These studies have proven the potentiality of accelerating design and analysis of
97 woven composites with ML.

98 Although insightful, these frameworks are limited to predicting material properties for a given

99 pattern or optimizing through heuristic searching, which is relatively easy to handle. On the contrary,
100 the ability to solve the inverse design problem, which predicts patterns for target mechanical properties,
101 can be more challenging and beneficial. Within woven composites, it could save a massive amount
102 of time otherwise invested in testing weave design iterations. Feng et al.[40] considered a 2D woven
103 composite with a single material and proposed the GAN-based framework for the inverse design problem.
104 The research has shown the potentiality of utilizing neural networks with a relatively decent error
105 rate of around 7%. Similarly, Chen et al.[41] consider the inverse design problem of the checkerboard
106 composites using generative inverse design networks called GIDN. GIDN consists of a predictor and a
107 designer, like the idea of GAN. The predictor is first trained with training data, and then trained weights
108 in the predictor are directly assigned to the designer as non-trainable parameters. The designer further
109 provides an optimized design from the initial Gaussian distributed design. GIDN has outperformed
110 conventional gradient-based topology optimization and gradient-free algorithms for stiff-soft bi-material
111 composites. This method brings promising ideas to optimize the composites, while this GAN-based
112 approach does not build the connection between the mechanical properties of composites to its geometry.
113 Also, neural network-based optimization is hard to understand in the physical space.

114 In summary, woven composites offer significant advantages and design flexibility, given the choice of
115 weaving pattern and yarn materials. However, this flexibility also suggests that there are potentially
116 unexplored properties of woven composites that remain to be fully understood. Effective tools are,
117 therefore, essential for accurately exploring these properties and optimizing composite structures. This
118 paper addresses two key challenges related to woven composites to facilitate their faster and more
119 efficient design: (1) How can we build a bi-directional bridge between woven composite architectures
120 and their mechanical properties? (2) How to optimize the woven composites' mechanical properties
121 using 'physically meaningful' features, so we can optimize the woven composites' properties by directly
122 manipulating physical and geometric parameters?

123 2. Overview

124 This section presents an overview of the overall targets of the research presented in this paper and
125 the general Machine Learning approaches that we use for woven composites prediction and optimization.

126 2.1. Research Tasks

127 As mentioned in the previous section, we focus on solving two problems related to understanding the
128 mechanical properties of woven composites and optimizing the woven architecture to achieve improved
129 overall in-plane modulus. In this work, we particularly consider 2D woven composites, as they present
130 a more manageable level of complexity compared to their 3D woven composites [42, 43]. This allows
131 for less training data and facilitates more controlled analysis. This choice is also motivated by the
132 fact that 2D woven composites have been studied more extensively by prior researchers than their 3D
133 counterparts, and they serve as a suitable starting point for developing and validating our proposed
134 framework. Nonetheless, the framework and the checkerboard representation presented in this work
135 also apply to 3D woven composites. Woven composite architectures can be represented by different
136 combinations of weave patterns and material sequences. For example, a 6-by-6 woven composite model
137 will have 2^{36} different patterns and $2 * n^6$ different material sequences, where n is the number of materials
138 to choose from. Thus, it is essential to efficiently and accurately obtain the mechanical properties of

139 different woven composite architectures to determine the optimal architecture suitable for the problem
140 of interest. Besides understanding the mechanical behavior of woven composites, optimization is also
141 critical to minimizing the structure's stresses, weight, or compliance for a given amount of material and
142 boundary conditions. Through optimization, we want to determine the most advantageous structure or
143 material distribution that results in the highest mechanical properties for the design requirement.

144 In this paper, we consider two different woven composite models: single-material and bi-material
145 woven composites. Single-material woven composites consist of yarns made of one material for the whole
146 model, whereas bi-material woven composites have different yarns made of two materials. Specifically,
147 we will consider three tasks (an overview is represented in Figure 1) as follows:

148 1. **Task 1:** Establish the connection between woven composite architectures (pattern + material)
149 and corresponding in-plane moduli. We will focus on the following tasks: (1) Forward Direction
150 Prediction (FDP): predicting from woven composite architecture to the corresponding modulus.

151 (2) Backward Direction Prediction (BDP): predicting from woven modulus to its architecture.
152 We decouple the BDP problem into two sub-problems: prediction from weave in-plane modulus
153 and material sequence to its pattern (named BDPa) and prediction from weave in-plane modulus
154 and pattern to its material sequence (named BDPb).

155 2. **Task 2:** Propose a feature-based statistical representation of the woven composites. Specifically,
156 we propose representing the weave pattern using the Gray Level Co-occurrence Matrix (GLCM).
157 We prove the uniqueness of GLCM statistical features from a binary matrix and how each statistical
158 feature is related to the weave pattern feature in the physical space. We further represent the weave
159 material sequence with features from the physical space. Later, we conduct statistical analysis
160 to understand how each feature is correlated with the overall moduli ($E_{all} = E_1 + E_2 + G_{12}$) of
161 woven composites.

162 3. **Task 3:** Propose the feature-based statistical optimization strategy to find the woven composite
163 architecture with the highest overall moduli and discover the near-optimal design using the
164 methods developed in Task 1 and Task 2. From the statistical analysis, we can determine whether
165 each statistical feature is positively or negatively correlated with the woven composite's overall
166 in-plane modulus and further optimize the choice of weave pattern and material sequence based
167 on such correlation relationship.

168 For **Task 1**, to solve the FDP problem, we utilize DCNN to extract high-level features from the
169 woven composite model and predict the in-plane modulus from its architecture. The BDP problems are
170 more challenging than the FDP problems since the in-plane modulus can be sensitive to weave patterns
171 and material sequences. Incorrect prediction at a single position in the pattern or material sequence
172 could significantly change the in-plane modulus. Moreover, we will show that woven composites with
173 different patterns could have similar in-plane modulus. Such similarity forms one-to-many mapping for
174 BDP problems. So, a purely data-driven neural network makes it hard to achieve high accuracy in
175 BDP problems. To constrain the predictions for BDP problems, a standard way is to combine physics
176 knowledge with the neural network. The physics knowledge can be fused with input[27], model[44, 45]
177 or loss function like Physics-Informed Neural Network (PINN)[46]. In this study, we combine such an
178 idea with transfer learning[47, 48], and then propose the **Physics-Constrained Neural Network**
179 (**PCNN**). Unlike problems with well-defined governing equations like PINN, it is nearly impossible

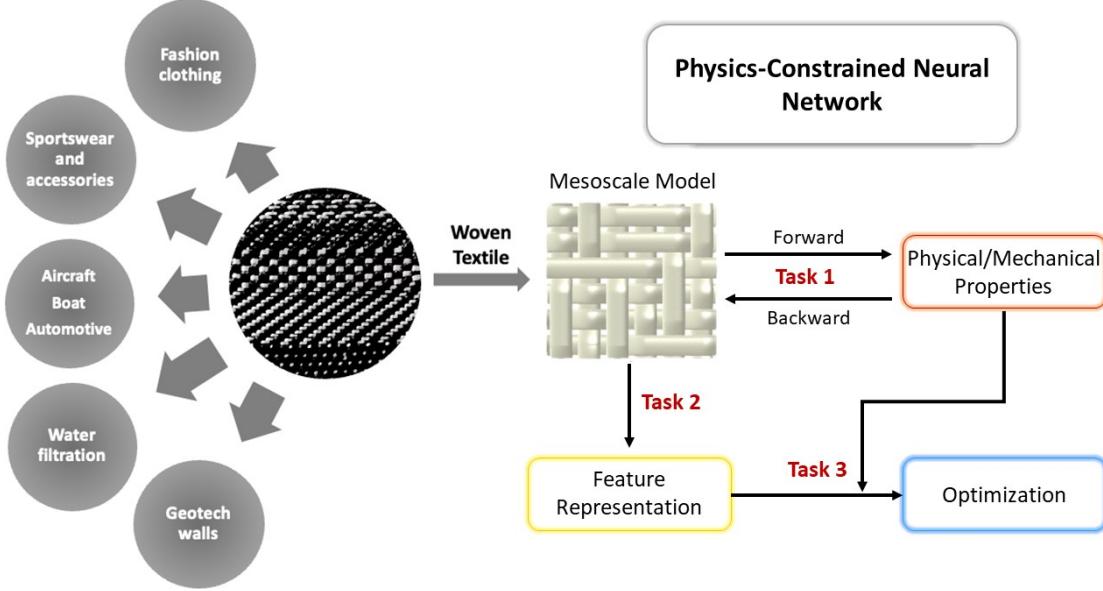


Fig. 1: Overview of three Machine Learning tasks: (1) **Task 1** builds the bridge between a woven composite and its physical/mechanical properties. Task 1 is split into Forward Direction Prediction (FDP) and Backward Direction Prediction (BDP) problems. BDP is further split into BDPA and BDpb, depending on predicting the weave pattern or material sequence from a given target value of in-plane moduli. (2) **Task 2** proposes the feature-based statistical representation of woven composite for weave pattern and material sequence and describes the relationship between extracted features and corresponding mechanical/physical properties through statistical analysis. (3) **Task 3** proposes the optimization strategy on a woven composite to achieve improved physical/mechanical properties (like higher strength) and discovers the near-optimal woven composite design using the methods developed in Tasks 1 and 2. (Here, 'near-optimal' refers to an improved woven composite design but might not guarantee to be the global optimal design.)

180 to describe the relationship between woven composite geometry and its mechanical properties with
 181 several equations. Thus, our PCNN embeds the existing physics knowledge from transfer learning as
 182 a regularization term in the loss function to constrain the inverse design process of neural networks.
 183 Specifically, PCNN will first utilize a similar structure as deep convolutional Autoencoder[49] to extract
 184 high-level features from the input data and make predictions based on these extracted features. Then,
 185 the PCNN will simultaneously embed our physics knowledge in the prediction layer and contribute
 186 certain losses to the loss function. Here, the physics knowledge refers to the relationship between woven
 187 composite architecture (pattern + material sequence) and its corresponding modulus, which comes
 188 from the trained DCNN in the FDP problem. We further validated that our proposed PCNN could
 189 enhance prediction accuracy compared to many widely used machine learning frameworks for BDPA
 190 and BDpb problems.

191 For **Task 2**, we consider the feature-based statistical representation of weave patterns, which
 192 can be represented as a checkerboard model and treated as a type of texture. Then, we extract
 193 texture features from the weave pattern. Texture features describe the spatial distribution of pixels
 194 (cells), which reflect objects' roughness, smoothness, granularity, and randomness. Common texture
 195 feature extraction methods include statistical, structural, and spectral methods. This paper utilizes
 196 the statistical method and proposes the GLCM feature-based optimization strategy. GLCM, referring
 197 to Gray-Level Co-Occurrence Matrix, is a statistical method of examining texture that considers the
 198 spatial relationship of pixels[50]. The GLCM features characterize an image's texture by calculating
 199 how often pairs of pixels with specific values and in a specified spatial relationship occur in an image
 200 and then extracting statistical measures from the matrix. Since GLCM can measure the texture
 201 roughness, coarseness, and other properties in one calculation, it has been the primary method to
 202 describe texture-related methods in the field of medical sciences (CT scans, MRI)[51, 52], landscape
 203 analysis[53] and image-based defect detection[54]. In this paper, specifically, we use Haralick texture

204 features[55]. Furthermore, we represent the weave material sequence using the statistical features in
205 the physical space. Two vectors can represent the material sequence, and each vector describes the
206 material sequence for weft and warp yarns. We consider statistical features directly from the material
207 sequence vector, including mean, median, and standard deviation.

208 For **Task 3**, utilizing the statistical features extracted from Task 2, we describe the correlation
209 relationship between extracted GLCM-based Haralick features from weave patterns and the corre-
210 sponding in-plane modulus of woven composites through statistical analysis to guide weave pattern
211 optimization. Similarly, we determine how each statistical feature is correlated with the in-plane
212 modulus for weave material sequence optimization and determine the optimal material sequence from
213 statistical analysis. Finally, the statistical models based on weave pattern and material sequence can
214 be combined to optimize a given woven architecture, which can be further combined with PCNN to
215 discover near-optimal woven composite architecture at the initial design stage.

216 *2.2. Overview of Proposed Machine Learning Framework*

217 In Figure 2, we present the proposed machine-learning framework for the two tasks considered
218 in this paper. First, weave patterns and materials are picked to define each woven composite model
219 uniquely. Then, we can calculate the corresponding in-plane modulus through FEA by applying
220 boundary conditions. After obtaining the weave pattern, material sequence, and corresponding in-plane
221 modulus, we can start the Machine Learning process: (1) For FDP, we design a deep convolutional
222 neural network that takes the weave pattern and material sequence as inputs and outputs the in-plane
223 modulus. (2) For BDPa, we design the **Physics-Constrained Neural Network (PCNN)** that takes
224 in-plane modulus and material sequence as inputs and predicts the pattern that matches the target
225 in-plane modulus. For BDPb, we design another Physics-Constrained Neural Network similar to BDPa,
226 which takes the pattern and in-plane modulus as inputs instead and predicts the possible material
227 sequence that matches the target in-plane modulus.

228 In this paper, we consider single-material and bi-material woven composites. As a constant vector
229 can represent the material sequence for the single-material woven composites, it will not serve as input
230 to train the Machine Learning framework. On the other hand, for bi-material woven composites, weave
231 pattern, material sequence, and corresponding in-plane modulus will be input to train the Machine
232 Learning framework.

233 Throughout the paper, the machine learning framework is implemented in TensorFlow 2.5.0 and
234 trained on NVIDIA GeForce RTX 2080 SUPER with 3072 CUDA cores and 1815 MHz frequency. We
235 provide access to our implemented Machine Learning code on our GitHub page, as mentioned in the
236 "Data Availability" section at the end of this paper. The GitHub page provides implementations of our
237 proposed neural networks, our baseline models for comparison purposes, and the training data used in
238 this paper.

239 **3. Finite Element Method for Training Data Generation**

240 As introduced in Section 1, woven composites are formed by inter-laced yarns impregnated with a
241 resin matrix. The woven composite's effective mechanical property depends on the considered material's
242 property, the cross-sectional geometry of yarn, and the weave pattern. In this paper, we utilize FEA to
243 determine the in-plane modulus of woven composites (E_1, E_2, G_{12}) based on different combinations

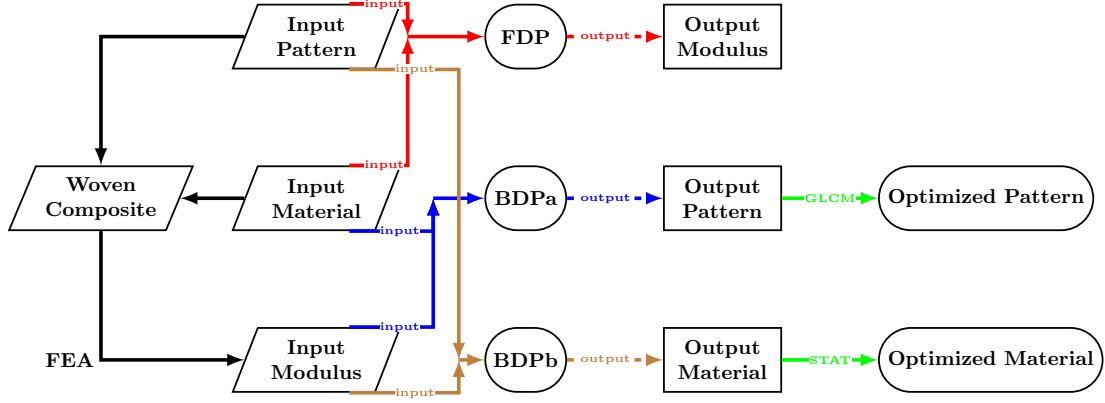


Fig. 2: Overview of the proposed Machine Learning framework: (1) Black arrows represent the FEA process, (2) Red arrows represent the FDP problem, (3) Blue and Brown arrows represent two BDP problems: BDPa and BDPb. Trapezium blocks are inputs to the Machine Learning framework. Initially, we have weave patterns and material sequences; then, these models are brought into Finite Element solver ABAQUS[56] to find the corresponding in-plane modulus. Circular blocks represent different Machine Learning tasks: FDP, BDPa, and BDPb. Square blocks are the predictions for different Machine Learning tasks. Solid lines before circular blocks represent inputs for the Machine Learning framework, and dashed lines represent outputs. The solid green line and rounded corner blocks are the optimization modules. We introduce feature-based optimization for pattern and materials sequence, using GLCM and physical space statistical features.

244 of weave patterns and material sequences. We performed FEA on a repeated unit cell (RUC) to
 245 understand the influence of weave patterns on the composite's in-plane effective properties. We modeled
 246 the weave using TexGen [57], where all the geometrical input parameters are listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Geometrical parameters for finite element modeling

| Length L | Width W | Height H | Yarn spacing | Yarn height | Yarn width |
|----------|---------|----------|--------------|-------------|------------|
| 6mm | 6mm | 0.44mm | 1mm | 0.2mm | 0.8mm |

247 The FEA was divided into two stages: First, we analyzed the influence of the weave pattern for
 248 single-material woven composites. Second, the same process is extended to bi-material woven composites
 249 with two different yarn materials, Carbon and Kevlar. The homogenized mechanical properties of
 250 the fiber bundles embedded in the polymer matrix are shown in Table 2, which were calculated using
 251 Chamis micro-mechanical model[58]. We assumed the volume fraction of fiber to be 76% in this paper.
 252 Initially, the TexGen python scripting generates 9000 random weave patterns with carbon fiber yarns
 253 in woven composites. Later, another 9000 random weave patterns with random hybrid carbon-kevlar
 254 woven composites were generated. Each geometric model is exported as an input file with linear
 255 tetrahedron elements and periodic boundary conditions. In this paper, edge forces are applied in
 256 different directions. The corresponding displacement values were extracted from the applied tensile
 257 (shear) loading to evaluate the effective in-plane mechanical properties. A detailed explanation of
 258 boundary condition implementation can be found in Li et al.[59]. After preprocessing, we imported the
 259 input file into ABAQUS to determine the effective in-plane mechanical properties from the stress and
 260 displacement field.

Table 2: Homogenized material properties of fiber yarn embedded in polymer matrix

| | E_1 (GPa) | E_2 (GPa) | E_3 (GPa) | G_{12} (GPa) | G_{13} (GPa) | G_{23} (GPa) | ν_{12} | ν_{13} | ν_{23} |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Carbon yarn | 183.1 | 9.67 | 9.67 | 5.66 | 5.66 | 3.37 | 0.23 | 0.23 | 0.43 |
| Kevlar yarn | 116.03 | 3.96 | 3.96 | 2.45 | 2.45 | 1.69 | 0.35 | 0.35 | 0.45 |

261 4. Machine Learning Model Inputs

262 We will establish the bridge between weave pattern, material sequence, and in-plane modulus (E_1 ,
 263 E_2 , and G_{12}) through deep neural networks. To transform these input data to fit the neural network

264 training, we conduct data pre-processing to convert weave patterns and material sequences into matrices
 265 and vectors, respectively.

266 *4.1. Weave Pattern Representation*

267 The yarn placed along the x-axis is called weft, whereas the yarn along the y-axis is called warp. A
 268 checkerboard model represents each weave pattern as a matrix with '0' or '1' binary values, where '1'
 269 means warp lies below the weft and '0' means warp lies above the weft. We denote Carbon yarn as
 270 material '0' and Kevlar yarn as '1' for material sequence. A weave pattern and material sequence for a
 271 bi-material woven composite are shown in Figure 4. This paper considers a woven composite unit cell
 272 size of 6-by-6, although others could consider larger unit sizes. So, each model is formed by weaving
 273 together six warp and six weft yarns, and a 6-by-6 binary value matrix can represent each pattern.
 274 Such unit cell is periodically repeated in a homogeneous weave pattern to create large woven fabric, as
 275 shown in Figure 3.

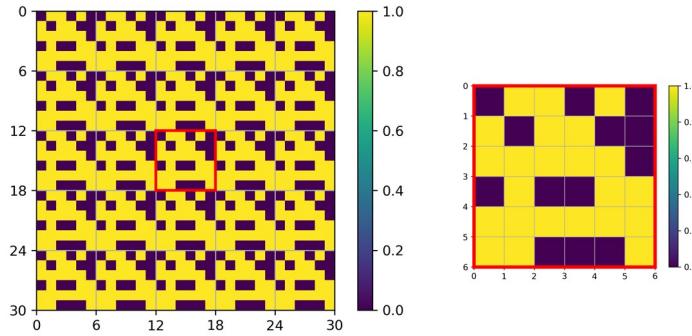


Fig. 3: Woven composite model with highlighting a corresponding 6x6 repeating unit cell (RUC).

276 Previously, researchers have studied woven composites and depicted them in a physical manner.
 277 Ishikawa and Chou [60] proposed a "mosaic model" to analyze the mechanical performance of woven
 278 composites using analytical approaches. They used a geometrical factor n_g to describe the number
 279 of warps interlaced with a single weft yarn. They also showed that weave patterns with smaller n_g
 280 displayed inferior properties due to a higher number of undulations. Further, the bridging model was
 281 also proposed to highlight the effect of higher n_g on the mechanical performance of woven composites. It
 282 was shown that weaves with higher n_g values will contain straight yarns in the vicinity of the undulated
 283 region. This "quasi-crossply" area would have higher local moduli values and serve as a bridge between
 284 the neighboring undulated regions, resulting in higher in-plane moduli for the entire weave structure.
 285 We have provided a detailed description of the effect of physical factors on the mechanical performance
 286 of woven composites in Section Supplementary Section A. This work will use these parameters to justify
 287 the optimized weave patterns obtained from the GLCM optimization module.

288 *4.2. Weave Material Representation*

289 Since the material sequence for single-material woven composites will not serve as input to the
 290 neural network, only bi-material woven composites need the proper representation of their material
 291 sequences. As mentioned in Section 4.1, the woven composite is formed with six warp and six weft yarns,
 292 so the material sequence can be represented as two 6-by-1 binary vectors: the first vector represents
 293 warp materials, and the second vector represents weft materials.

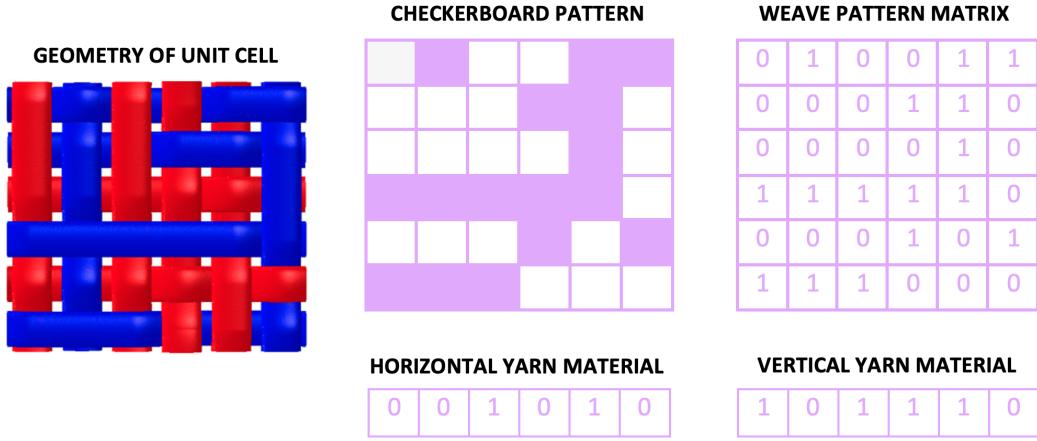


Fig. 4: Weave pattern and material sequence representation for a bi-material woven composite

294 4.3. *In-plane Modulus from FEA*

295 From the outputs of 9000 single-material and 9000 bi-material woven composite models, we obtain
 296 the distributions of different in-plane modulus (E_1 , E_2 , G_{12}). Here we define the Identity Sum (IS) of a
 297 woven composite to be: $IS = \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} \sum_{j=1}^{n_2} \mathbb{1}_{[W_{ij}=1]}$, where W is the weave pattern matrix, $n_1 = n_2 = 6$
 298 as the pattern matrix is 6-by-6. IS of a model represents the total number of '1' regions within the
 299 matrix. Figure 5 and Figure 6 show the distribution of different in-plane modulus with respect to
 300 identity sum for single material and bi-material woven composites. Comparing these two figures, we
 301 discover that: (1) single-material and bi-material woven composites have similar distribution for tensile
 302 moduli, E_1 and E_2 ; (2) in-plane shear modulus G_{12} distribution for single-material woven composites
 303 is more concentrated compared to bi-material woven composites.

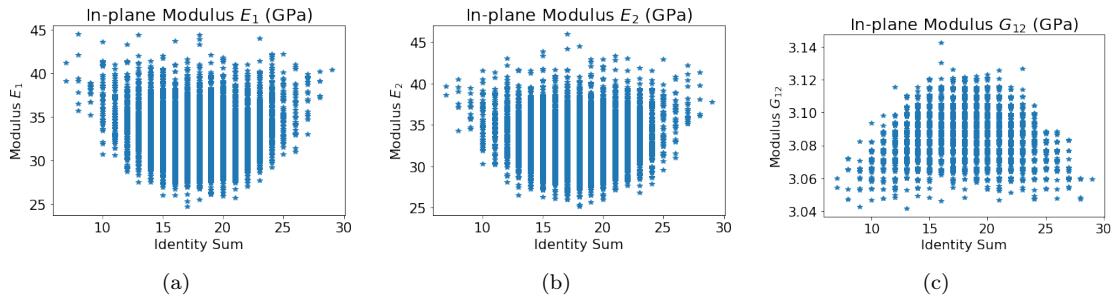


Fig. 5: In-plane moduli distributions for 9000 single material woven composites

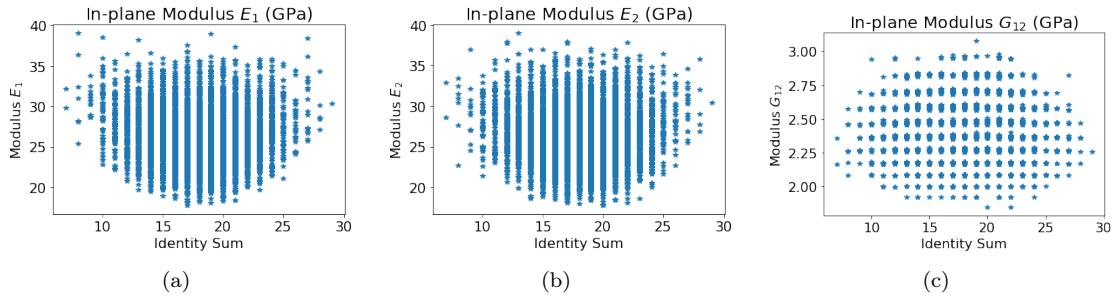


Fig. 6: In-plane moduli distributions for 9000 bi-material woven composites

304 4.4. *Many-To-One Mapping*

305 From Figure 5 and Figure 6, we can also observe that woven composites with the same IS could
 306 have a completely different in-plane modulus. Moreover, our FEA outputs show that different woven
 307 composite patterns could have similar in-plane moduli values. For example, as shown in Supplementary
 308 Section B - Figure B.3, although the patterns look entirely different, both single material woven

309 composite models have the same modulus in the vertical direction E_1 . Such a conclusion can also be
 310 validated by histogram plots counting numbers of models having the same in-plane modulus component
 311 E_1 , E_2 , or G_{12} for both single material and bi-material woven composite models. Details of the
 312 histogram plots and descriptions are shown in Supplementary Section B. This many-to-one mapping
 313 poses challenges while predicting weave patterns for a given target in-plane modulus (BDP problems),
 314 which is later addressed within the deep neural network frameworks.

315 4.5. Mechanical Properties of Plain Weave Composites Compared to Other Patterns

316 Among different patterns typically used in woven composites, plain weave, alternating '0' and '1'
 317 in its pattern, is the most fundamental weave design in different areas, including aerospace, fashion,
 318 and furnishing. However, this does not imply that a plain weave will result in the best mechanical
 319 properties. As shown in Figure 7, we can see that there are various patterns having better modulus in
 320 both E_1 and E_2 directions compared to plain weave (orange dot). The behavior can be attributed to
 321 the plain weave's lowest value of n_g for the plain weave, which is discussed in Section Supplementary
 322 Section A. The value of $n_g = 2$ leads to a maximum number of undulations in both the horizontal and
 323 vertical directions, resulting in inferior mechanical properties in both directions. Therefore, it is crucial
 324 to explore weave patterns that will result in superior mechanical properties than plain weave.

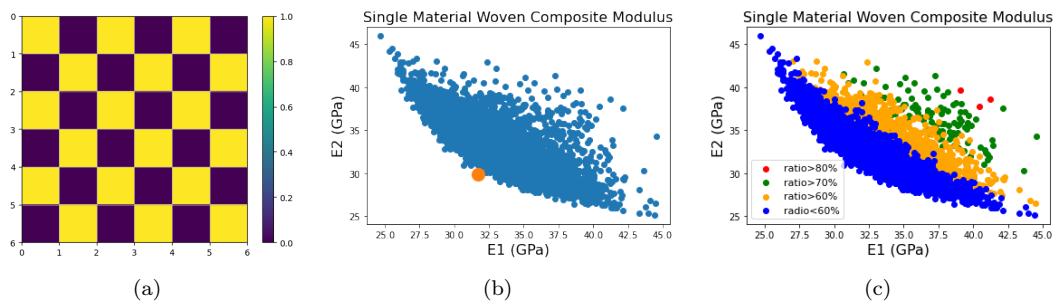


Fig. 7: (a) 6-by-6 representation of the plain weave pattern (b) mechanical properties of plain weave versus all 9000 patterns for single material woven composites (the yellow dot denotes the mechanical properties of plain weave and blue dot denotes the mechanical properties of other weave patterns considered) (c) single material woven composites modulus clustering based on different ratios, which is defined in Equation 1.

325 A ratio is defined as shown in Equation 1, where N_{1s} and N_{0s} represent the number of 1s and 0s in
 326 the pattern. d_{weave} is the dimension of weave, which is 6X6 in this study.

$$ratio = \max \left[\frac{N_{1s}}{d_{weave}}, \frac{N_{0s}}{d_{weave}} \right] \quad (1)$$

327 The numbers of models with a *ratio* higher than 70% and 80% are much smaller compared to the
 328 total samples. Such class imbalance can influence the neural network's prediction accuracy for models
 329 with a high *ratio*, which is discussed further in Section 6.6.

330 4.6. Loss Functions Considered

331 This paper considers two types of commonly used loss functions: Mean Squared Error (MSE) and
 332 Binary Cross-Entropy (BCE). MSE measures how close the predicted value is to the true value. This
 333 paper uses MSE for in-plane modulus-related predictions, defined as Equation 2.

$$MSE(y, \tilde{y}) = \frac{1}{3n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^3 (y_{ij} - \tilde{y}_{ij})^2 \quad (2)$$

334 Where n is the total sample size, '3' means the size of the in-plane modulus vector, y_{ij} is the
 335 predicted value of i^{th} data sample, and j^{th} in-plane modulus. \tilde{y}_{ij} is the corresponding true value.

336 MSE can be widely used for different prediction tasks. However, it could be a wrong choice for
 337 binary classification problems as MSE generally assumes data with normal distribution, while binary
 338 classification can be viewed as a Bernoulli distribution. Moreover, the MSE function is non-convex for
 339 binary classification problems using activation functions like the Sigmoid function. Thus, we will use
 340 BCE defined as Equation 3 for predicting binary woven pattern matrix or binary material sequence
 341 vector.

$$BCE(y, \tilde{y}) = -\frac{1}{nm} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m \tilde{y}_{ij} \log(y_{ij}) + (1 - \tilde{y}_{ij}) \log(1 - y_{ij}) \quad (3)$$

342 Similar to the definition of MSE, n is the total sample size, and m is the target size. For example,
 343 $m = 36$ when predicting the 6-by-6 weave pattern and $m = 12$ when predicting the 6-by-2 weave
 344 material sequence. y_{ij} is the predicted value at j^{th} component in i^{th} model and \tilde{y}_{ij} is the corresponding
 345 true value.

346 5. Deep Neural Network Frameworks

347 This section will show the detailed deep neural network frameworks we propose to solve the FDP
 348 and BDP problems. As briefly mentioned in Section 1, we utilize DCNN to solve the FDP problem,
 349 and we propose our PCNN to solve the BDPa and BDPb problems.

350 5.1. Forward Direction Prediction: Deep Convolutional Neural Network

351 For the FDP problem, we developed a Deep Convolutional Neural Network (DCNN), with the
 352 overall framework shown in Figure 8. Initially, weave patterns and material sequences are fed into
 353 DCNN as inputs. Then, we will use Convolutional layers with ReLU as the activation function for
 354 the weave pattern to extract high-level features from the pattern. At the same time, the material
 355 assignment vector will be expanded by fully connected layers. Then, extracted features from the weave
 356 pattern and material sequence are concatenated into a new feature vector and further used to predict
 357 the in-plane modulus through fully connected layers with the ReLU activation function.

358 5.2. Backward Direction Prediction: Physics-Constrained Network Framework

359 As mentioned in Section 1, the BDP problem is decoupled into two problems: BDPa and BDPb. We
 360 have shown there exists a many-to-one mapping, which makes BDP problems much more challenging
 361 to handle than FDP problems. This paper proposes two PCNNs for BDPa and BDPb, respectively.
 362 Although the two frameworks are slightly different due to different input data, both frameworks are
 363 developed based on **Physics-constrained** using the trained DCNN from the FDP problem to constrain
 364 the prediction. To mitigate potential overfitting, we incorporate standard techniques such as dropout,
 365 batch normalization, and early stopping in our proposed framework. However, our tests do not show
 366 significant improvements with dropout and batch normalization, and only marginal gains are observed
 367 with early stopping. Consequently, these techniques were not included in the final framework. It is
 368 worth noting that the effectiveness of these methods may vary depending on the specific characteristics
 369 of different training datasets.

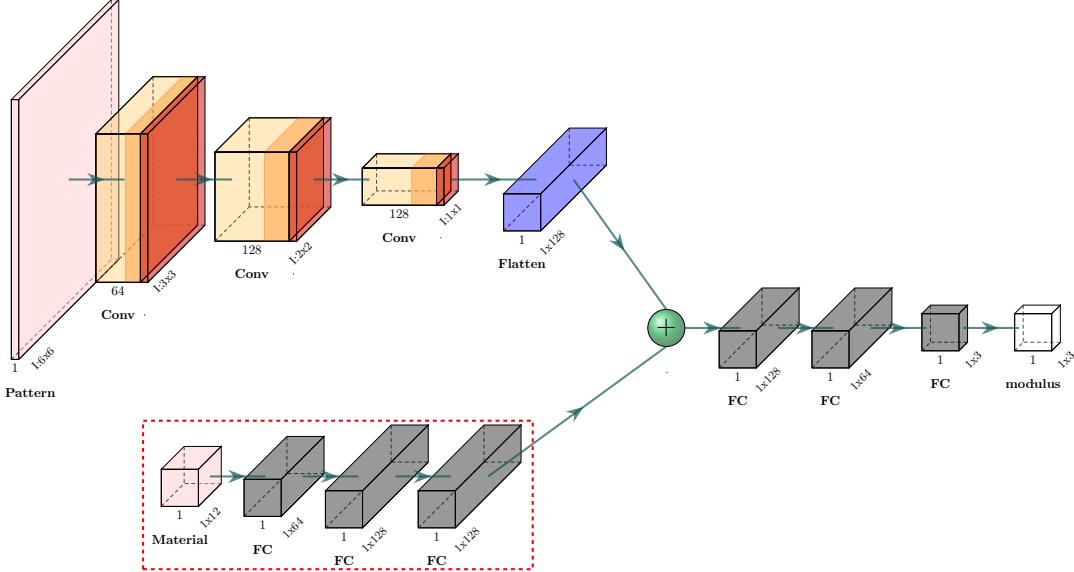


Fig. 8: Deep Convolutional Neural Network (DCNN) for FDP: pink blocks are the inputs to the neural network; orange blocks are convolutional layers with ReLU activation function, and brown blocks are batch-normalization layers following Convolutional layers; the blue block is the Flatten layer that reshapes the input into a vector; gray blocks are Fully Connected layers with ReLU activation function; white blocks are the outputs of the framework. The green ball represents the Concatenation layer. The modules inside the red dashed block are only activated when the material sequence serves as the input for the bi-material woven composites. The neural network training is based on a stochastic gradient descent algorithm and minimizes the mean squared error, with a fixed learning rate of 0.001. A comprehensive implementation can be found in the GitHub link provided in the Data Availability section.

370 5.2.1. *Predicting weave pattern from in-plane modulus and material sequence (BDPa)*

371 For single-material woven composites, the BDPa problem is to predict the weave pattern directly
 372 from the given in-plane modulus. In contrast, the problem is extended for bi-material woven composites
 373 to predict woven patterns from given in-plane modulus and material sequence. The whole framework
 374 to solve the BDPa problem is shown in Figure 9. In-plane modulus and material sequence in pink
 375 blocks are the inputs to the framework. The two inputs are expanded through several fully connected
 376 layers, concatenated into one vector, and brought into the Deconvolutional layers with LeakyReLU.
 377 The deconvolutional layers will expand the feature vector into its original physical space of 6-by-6.
 378 Since each weave pattern is a binary matrix, the last Deconvolutional layer uses the Sigmoid activation
 379 function. To embed our existing knowledge into the prediction and enhance the prediction accuracy,
 380 we add the trained DCNN from Section 5.1 after the predicted weave pattern and further evaluate the
 381 prediction's accuracy in terms of in-plane modulus, as shown in the light green block. **Such a trained**
 382 **DCNN acts as the regularization term to constrain the neural network prediction, which**
 383 **is why the framework is called 'Physics-Constrained'.** To improve the prediction accuracy,
 384 we control the weights of modulus-related loss three times larger than the weights of pattern-related
 385 loss. For the loss function, the pattern-related loss is calculated based on BCE, and the corresponding
 386 modulus-related loss is calculated based on MSE.

387 5.2.2. *Predicting weave material sequence from in-plane modulus and pattern (BDPb)*

388 Compared to the BDPa problem, the BDPb problem focuses on predicting weave material sequence
 389 from in-plane modulus and pattern. This framework concentrates only on bi-material woven composites
 390 as single-material woven composites have a constant material vector, as shown in Figure 10. Weave
 391 in-plane modulus and pattern serve as inputs to the framework, where the in-plane modulus is passed
 392 into several fully connected layers with the ReLU activation function. In contrast, the pattern is passed
 393 into several convolutional layers with ReLU activation function followed by batch normalization. The

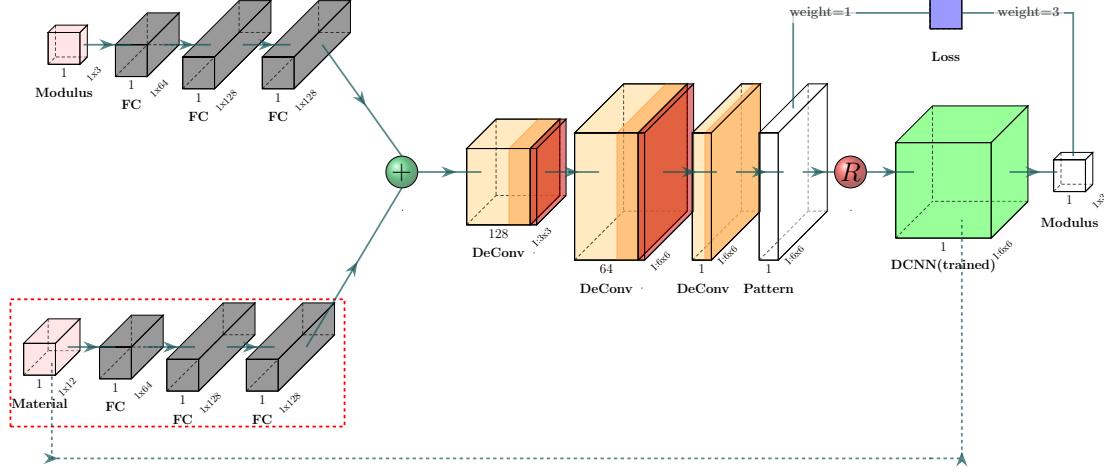


Fig. 9: Physics-constrained Neural Network framework for BDPA problem: pink blocks are inputs to the framework; gray blocks are fully connected layers; orange blocks are Deconvolutional layers with LeakyReLU activation function, and brown blocks are batch-normalization layers following the convolutional layers; white blocks are outputs of the framework; the red ball is the rounding layer that rounds the predicted probability vector into binary values to get the binary material vector; the dark green ball is the concatenation layer that concatenates extracted features from in-plane modulus and material assignment; Light green block refers to the previously trained DCNN framework. The modules inside the red dashed block and the green dashed arrow are only activated when material assignment serves as the bi-material woven composites input. The neural network training is based on the Adams optimization algorithm and minimizes the mean squared error, with a fixed learning rate of 0.001. A comprehensive implementation can be found in the GitHub link provided in the Data Availability section.

394 extracted high-level features from the in-plane modulus and pattern are concatenated into a vector
 395 and passed into several fully connected layers with the ReLU activation function. Since the material
 396 sequence is a binary vector, the last fully connected layer has the sigmoid activation function. Similar
 397 to BDPA, to enhance prediction accuracy, we constrain the prediction by adding trained DCNN from
 398 Section 5.1 after the prediction layer. Similar to the BDPA problem, the weights of modulus-related loss
 399 are also three times larger than the weights of the material sequence-related loss. For the loss function,
 400 the material sequence-related loss is calculated based on BCE, and the corresponding modulus-related
 401 loss is calculated based on MSE.

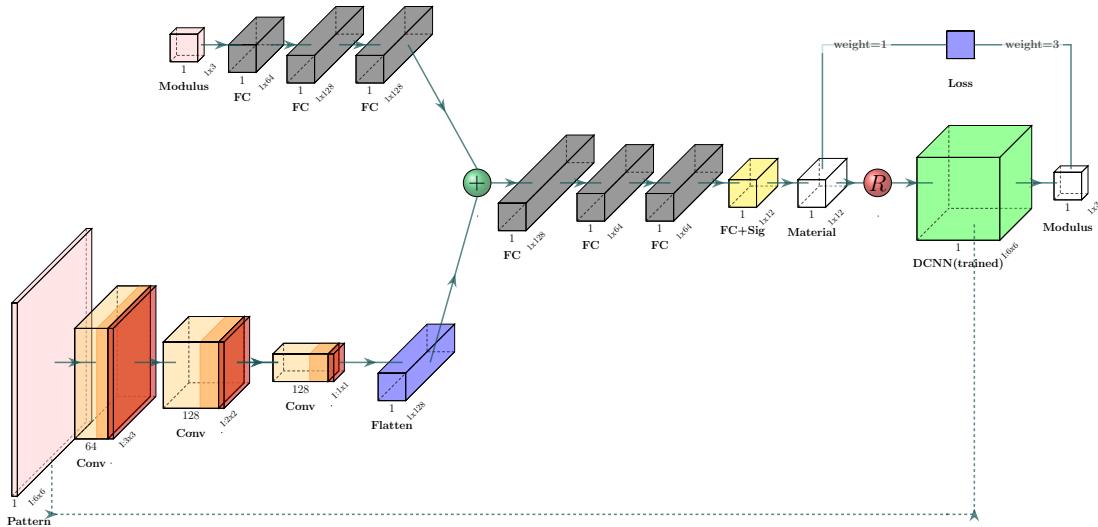


Fig. 10: Physics-constrained Neural Network framework for BDPb problem: pink blocks are inputs to the framework; gray blocks are fully connected layers with ReLU as activation function; the yellow block is the fully connected layer with Sigmoid activation function; orange blocks are convolutional layers with ReLU activation function, and brown blocks are batch-normalization layers following the convolutional layers; white blocks are outputs of the framework; the red ball is the rounding layer that rounds the predicted probability vector into binary values to get the binary material vector; the dark green ball is the concatenation layer that concatenates high-level features from in-plane modulus and pattern; light green block refers to the previously trained DCNN framework. Similar to BDPA PCNN, the neural network training is based on the Adams optimization algorithm and minimizes the mean squared error, with a fixed learning rate of 0.001. A comprehensive implementation can be found in the GitHub link provided in the Data Availability section.

402 **6. Results and Discussion: Task 1 - Relating Woven Composite Architecture and In-Plane
403 Moduli**

404 *6.1. Overview of Baseline Models Considered*

405 In this research, we use 9000 single-material and 9000 bi-material woven composite models, re-
406 spectively, to analyze the performance of the proposed Machine Learning frameworks. The data are
407 randomly split into a 60% training set, 20% cross-validation set, and 20% testing set. To control the
408 random split method for comparison, we control the random split seed such that different Machine
409 Learning algorithms are evaluated based on the same data set.

410 To evaluate the Machine Learning framework's performance for the FDP problem, we directly
411 assess the in-plane modulus prediction in terms of mean absolute percentage error (MAPE) defined in
412 Equation 4.

$$MAPE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n \left| \frac{A_t - F_t}{A_t} \right| \quad (4)$$

413 A_t is the actual value, F_t is the predicted value, and n is the total sample size. On the other
414 hand, since BDP problems are more complex than FDP problems, we will evaluate the prediction
415 error based on MAPE and compare our PCNN performance with other popular baseline models.
416 There are three baseline models considered in this paper: (1) Woven-Decoder, which utilizes the
417 Autoencoder structure[49]. Autoencoder framework has been widely used for image-based prediction,
418 like predicting the stress contours[27, 31, 61]. The detailed framework of the Woven-Decoder is shown in
419 Section Supplementary Section C.1. (2) Woven-GAN, which is developed based on the GAN framework.
420 Here we represent the generator using the Woven-Decoder structure while adding the discriminator
421 after the output to classify the output into a binary value. Such binary values will tell if the generator's
422 result is realistic. The GAN-based framework has been used to predict the checkerboard pattern of
423 bi-material composites or to predict the stress distribution contours of different shapes of cantilever
424 beams under certain loading conditions[41, 62]. The GAN and Woven-GAN setup details are shown in
425 Section Supplementary Section C.2. (3) Woven-GA, developed based on Genetic Algorithm[63]. The
426 genetic algorithm is a search heuristic from the theory of natural evolution. It generates new generations
427 through crossover and mutations based on a user-defined fitness function by starting from randomly
428 chosen first generations. A genetic algorithm has been used to determine the complex geometry from
429 targeted mechanical properties, like finding the bi-material composite model designs with the highest
430 strength[33]. The Woven-GA structure and parameter setup details are shown in Section Supplementary
431 Section C.3. Although BDPa and BDPb problems have different prediction targets, both problems
432 target finding the best pair of patterns and material sequences to match the target modulus. So both
433 BDPa and BDPb are evaluated based on the MAPE between the target in-plane modulus and the
434 predicted architecture's in-plane modulus.

435 *6.2. Forward Direction Predictions using DCNN*

436 As mentioned in Section 6.1, the performance of the single-material woven composites is evaluated
437 based on the MAPE values. Since FDP problem aims to predict the in-plane modulus, the MAPE is
438 calculated based on E_1 , E_2 , and G_{12} , respectively. We will validate the neural network's performance
439 on single-material and bi-material woven composites separately.

440 Table 3 shows the prediction results of the single-material and bi-material woven composites. We
441 see that for single material woven composites, our proposed DCNN's prediction error for E_1 and E_2

442 are below 2%. The prediction error for G_{12} is low as shear modulus does not vary much for single
 443 material woven composites, as shown in Figure 5. For bi-material woven composites, as each in-plane
 444 modulus is more distributed for different models, the prediction error of our proposed DCNN will
 445 increase marginally. Our proposed DCNN could achieve prediction error at around 4% for E_1 and E_2
 446 and below 2% for G_{12} . Since woven composites in-plane modulus ranges from around $15GPa \sim 45GPa$,
 447 the average error is around $0.1 \sim 0.2GPa$. These results indicate that our proposed DCNN effectively
 448 represents the relationship between woven architecture and its in-plane modulus.

| Table 3: FDP prediction error rate | | | |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------|----------|
| Error Rate | E_1 | E_2 | G_{12} |
| Single-Material Woven | 1.86% | 1.89% | 0.25% |
| Bi-Material Woven | 3.81% | 3.88% | 0.20% |

449 *6.3. Backward Direction Predictions using PCNN*

450 As discussed, the BDP problem is split into two sub-problems: BDPa and BDPb. To evaluate the
 451 performance of our proposed PCNN, we consider the prediction error of BDPa and BDPb problems for
 452 single material and bi-material woven composites separately with different baseline algorithms.

453 *Single material woven composites prediction results.* For single-material woven composites, we compare
 454 our proposed Machine Learning framework with three baseline models described in Section 6.1. To
 455 compare the prediction between different Machine Learning frameworks, we compare the prediction
 456 accuracy and duration, as shown in Table 4. From the results, we show that:

- 457 1. Woven-GA gives the highest prediction accuracy for all models. However, since it is a heuristic
 458 searching algorithm, it will take more than one hour for each prediction, and such searching needs
 459 to be repeated every time we use it. Also, the performance of heuristic searching largely depends
 460 on the data sample. Thus Woven-GA is a costly method and will not be considered.
- 461 2. For the rest of the deep neural network-based models, as the models are learned through training-
 462 predicting, it takes much less time for each prediction. Compared to Woven-Decoder and
 463 Woven-GAN, our PCNN has significantly reduced the prediction error to around 2% for E_1 and
 464 E_2 giving the best overall prediction compared to all baseline models.

| Table 4: BDPa prediction error rate for single material woven composite | | | | |
|---|-------|-------|----------|-----------------|
| Error Rate | E_1 | E_2 | G_{12} | Prediction Time |
| Woven-Decoder | 7.87% | 7.26% | 0.33% | 0.2sec |
| Woven-GAN | 4.34% | 5.27% | 0.31% | 0.3sec |
| PCNN | 2.38% | 1.72% | 0.31% | 0.3sec |

465 *Bi-material woven composites prediction results.* Since BDP problems for bi-material woven composites
 466 consist of three inputs, prediction with Woven-GA will be even more expensive and will not be
 467 considered. Table 5 shows the prediction results for the BDPa problem, comparing our proposed model
 468 and the other two baseline models. Figure 12 shows images of the predicted woven patterns for a given
 469 in-plane modulus and material sequence. Based on the analysis results, we notice that:

- 470 1. Compared to baseline models, PCNN significantly reduces the error rate of E_1 and E_2 predictions
 471 from around 10% to 3.6%, and the error rate of G_{12} also decreases to around 1.3%. Thus, PCNN
 472 outperforms the baseline models considered.

473 2. For the predicted pattern, we can find that PCNN gives the closest prediction to the original weave
 474 pattern. Furthermore, we show a detailed quantitative explanation of why PCNN is superior to
 475 other models in Section 8.1.2 using our proposed GLCM-based feature (in Section 7) analysis.

Table 5: BDPa prediction error rate for bi-material woven composite

| Error Rate | E_1 | E_2 | G_{12} | Prediction Time |
|---------------|--------|--------|----------|-----------------|
| Woven-Decoder | 9.31% | 9.45% | 5.01% | 0.2sec |
| Woven-GAN | 10.83% | 11.71% | 10.62% | 0.3sec |
| PCNN | 3.60% | 3.71% | 1.34% | 0.3sec |

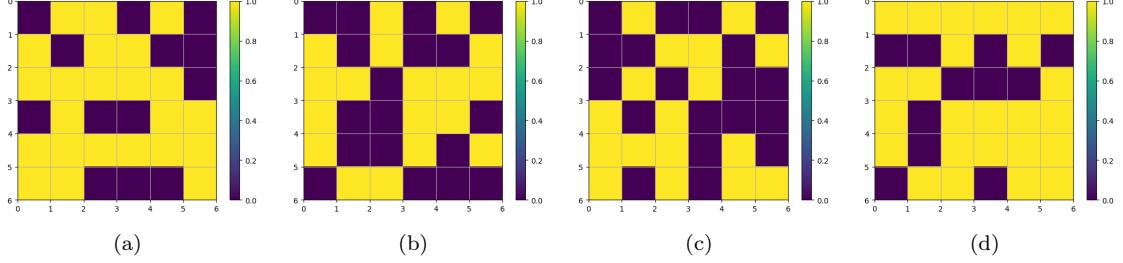


Fig. 11: Predicted bi-material weave pattern for BDPa problem: (a) original weave pattern (b) predicted weave pattern from Woven-Decoder (c) predicted weave pattern from Woven-GAN (d) predicted weave pattern from PCNN

476 We next evaluate the performance of different models for BDPb problems. Table 6 shows the
 477 prediction result for the BDPb problem, comparing our proposed and baseline models. From these
 478 results, we observe that compared to baseline models, Woven-Decoder and Woven-GAN, our proposed
 479 PCNN could vastly reduce the prediction error from above 10% to around 5% for all three in-plane
 480 moduli. Consequently, we can conclude that for both BDPa and BDPb problems, our proposed PCNN
 481 can significantly improve the prediction accuracy for all three in-plane moduli.

Table 6: BDPb prediction error rate for bi-material woven composites

| Error Rate | E_1 | E_2 | G_{12} | Prediction Time |
|---------------|--------|--------|----------|-----------------|
| Woven-Decoder | 11.74% | 11.73% | 11.50% | 0.2sec |
| Woven-GAN | 15.28% | 12.35% | 26.99% | 0.3sec |
| PCNN | 5.53% | 5.65% | 4.10% | 0.3sec |

482 *Weave pattern modification by bound relaxation of modulus (for manufacturing purpose).* When pre-
 483 dicting the weave pattern in the BDPa problem, we do not add constraints to the predicted pattern.
 484 However, during manufacturing, it is usually challenging to weave patterns with continuous yarns or
 485 fiber bundles running along the warp and weft directions without an area of interlacing. Solving this
 486 issue requires using pre-preg tapes made from "pre-impregnated" fibers and a partially cured polymer
 487 matrix. Alternatively, stitching of fibers is needed to maintain the structural integrity of the fabric
 488 during manufacturing. Since this process can be time-consuming and expensive, finding weave patterns
 489 that do not have continuous yarns (that is, with interlaced region) is essential. To solve this problem,
 490 we propose to find weave patterns by modifying the target modulus within specific ranges, which we
 491 call **Modulus Bound Relaxation**.

492 The expression of Modulus Bound Relaxation can be represented as Equation 5.

$$M_{new} = M_{old} + R \times B \quad (5)$$

493 Where M_{old} is the target modulus vector containing E_1, E_2, G_{12} , and M_{new} is the updated new
 494 modulus vector. $R \in [-1, 1]^{d=3}$ is a 3-by-1 vector, with each component randomly generated between -1

495 and 1. B is a range of scaling factor of R , the upper and lower bound of B can be specified by the user.
496 $R \times B$ determines the maximum relaxation we want for the target modulus vector. We linearly increase
497 the value of B from its lower bound to its upper bound to increase the relaxation until we find a weave
498 pattern without continuous yarn. With this method, we can find a surrogate weave pattern with a
499 modulus vector slightly different than our target, but with no continuous yarn issue – an example of
500 how the Modulus Bound Relaxation algorithm works is shown in Supplementary Section G.

501 *6.4. PCNN Performance with Small Dataset*

502 This section tests how PCNN performs when the dataset is small. Specifically, we analyze the
503 performance of PCNN when we select 3000 and 6000 bi-material woven composite samples each from
504 the 9000 dataset. Table 7 and Table 8 show the prediction error for 3000 and 6000 samples. We observe
505 consistent results compared to the previous analysis using 9000 samples from the results. Thus we
506 conclude that for both BDPa and BDPb problems, PCNN provides better and more stable prediction
507 accuracy than the two baseline models.

Table 7: Prediction error rate with 3000 bi-material woven composite samples

| | Error Rate | E_1 | E_2 | G_{12} | Prediction Time |
|-----------------|---------------|--------|--------|----------|-----------------|
| BDPa Problem | Woven-Decoder | 10.61% | 11.97% | 10.30% | 0.2sec |
| | Woven-GAN | 8.67% | 6.27% | 6.87% | 0.3sec |
| | PCNN | 4.23% | 4.28% | 3.63% | 0.3sec |
| BDPb Problem | Woven-Decoder | 8.73% | 8.84% | 10.93% | 0.2sec |
| | Woven-GAN | 11.53% | 12.55% | 11.65% | 0.3sec |
| | PCNN | 4.69% | 3.70% | 1.53% | 0.3sec |

508 Furthermore, Table 8 shows the prediction error of BDPa and BDPb problems under the 6000
509 sample. From the result, we can validate that for both BDPa and BDPb problems, PCNN has much
510 better prediction accuracy compared to the two baseline models.

Table 8: Prediction error rate with 6000 bi-material woven composite samples

| | Error Rate | E_1 | E_2 | G_{12} | Prediction Time |
|-----------------|---------------|--------|--------|----------|-----------------|
| BDPa Problem | Woven-Decoder | 11.61% | 12.20% | 12.33% | 0.2sec |
| | Woven-GAN | 6.48% | 6.91% | 6.14% | 0.3sec |
| | PCNN | 3.81% | 3.93% | 3.18% | 0.3sec |
| BDPb Problem | Woven-Decoder | 9.24% | 9.43% | 10.99% | 0.2sec |
| | Woven-GAN | 12.20% | 11.56% | 10.24% | 0.3sec |
| | PCNN | 4.10% | 4.20% | 1.49% | 0.3sec |

511 *6.5. Backward Direction Prediction with Heuristic Algorithm*

512 After comparing the prediction performance with Deep Learning methods, we further explore the
513 effectiveness of heuristic searching for the inverse design problem. We consider both the single material
514 and bi-material woven composite predictions and summarize the prediction accuracy of Woven-GA in
515 Table 9. We see that the Genetic Algorithm has a high prediction accuracy with less than 1% error
516 rate. However, there are several drawbacks of a heuristic searching algorithm: the prediction time of
517 a Genetic Algorithm is much longer (greater than 11 mins) compared to neural network frameworks,
518 which is, on average, 0.3 sec. Moreover, the Woven-GA incorporates randomness during the operation,
519 which could lead to potential run failures, especially when the loss function is complex like when a
520 neural network is embedded inside. Thus in this study, for the sake of efficient prediction, we explored
521 the deep learning-based frameworks more in detail.

Table 9: BDP Woven-GA prediction error rate

| Error Rate | E_1 | E_2 | G_{12} | Prediction Time |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|----------|-----------------|
| Single-Material Woven | 0.02% | 0.02% | 0.59% | 11mins 57secs |
| Bi-Material Woven | 0.45% | 0.42% | 0.63% | 14mins 25secs |

522 6.6. Discussion on the Applications and Limitations of PCNN

523 Previous results have shown the potential of the PCNN framework compared to Deep Learning-based
 524 baseline models. Although PCNN is applied to woven composites in this study, the framework can be
 525 generalized into different fields of studies involving inverse designs like structural design given certain
 526 design criteria, especially when the input space (design criteria) is much smaller than the output space
 527 (model). Predicting from a smaller space to a larger space can be challenging due to the potential
 528 overfitting and the highly nonlinear mapping between inputs and outputs. To address this difficulty,
 529 PCNN adds a regularization term by embedding the physical relationship between the woven composite
 530 model and its corresponding modulus into a quadratic function. This method has shown tremendous
 531 improvement in the prediction accuracy.

532 On the other hand, as a Deep Learning-based approach, PCNN also has its limitations compared to
 533 heuristic searching algorithms:

- 534 1. Although much faster prediction time, the prediction accuracy of PCNN can be lower compared
 535 to heuristic searching algorithms as discussed above. In real life applications, PCNN is superior
 536 in providing excellent time efficiency as well as relatively high prediction accuracy. PCNN can
 537 be widely used to predict a large number of designs. On the other hand, the heuristic searching
 538 algorithm is superior when accuracy is important and time efficiency is not a concern.
- 539 2. The training effectiveness of PCNN depends on the quality and variance of the training data. In
 540 this study, we notice that PCNN has a high prediction accuracy when predicting weaves with
 541 a ratio lower than 70%, attributed to the ample training data available. However, the PCNN
 542 prediction accuracy will decrease when the weave exceeds 70% radio (as shown in Figure 7(c)).

543 7. Results and Discussion: Task 2 - Feature-based Statistical Representation

544 In the previous sections, we proposed DCNN and PCNN to establish the bridge between woven
 545 architectures and the corresponding modulus. Our proposed Deep Learning frameworks deliver better
 546 predictions for FDP, BDPa, and BDPb problems than baseline models. However, the high-level features
 547 extracted by PCNN are challenging to understand and be used for other tasks like optimization. Thus,
 548 we want to know what physically or statistically meaningful features control the woven composites'
 549 in-plane modulus, and how we can use these features for further optimization. To that end, we conduct
 550 the GLCM-based feature analysis.

551 7.1. Statistical Features from Weave Pattern

552 Since weave patterns are represented by a checkerboard model, we considered this as a type of
 553 texture with pixel values of '0' or '1'. Texture features describe the spatial distribution of pixels (cells)
 554 that reflect an object's roughness, smoothness, granularity, and randomness. Texture can also be used to
 555 segment images into regions of interest and classify those regions into regular texture and quasi-regular
 556 texture. Regular texture's element follows a specific pattern, whereas quasi-regular texture's element has
 557 an arbitrary shape and is distributed based on intensity. Standard texture feature extraction methods

558 include statistical, structural, and spectral methods. This paper utilizes the statistical method and
 559 constructs the Gray Level Co-occurrence Matrices (GLCM). GLCM elements are defined in Equation 6.

$$C_{\Delta x, \Delta y}(i, j) = \sum_{x=1}^n \sum_{y=1}^m \mathbb{1}_{[I(x,y)=i, I(x+\Delta x,y+\Delta y)=j]} \quad (6)$$

560 where, I is the grey-level image, i and j are pixel values. n, m is the size of image, (x, y) is the
 561 starting position, and $(\Delta x, \Delta y)$ represent the offset from starting position. As our checkerboard models
 562 are binary matrices in this paper, the GLCM will be a 2-by-2 matrix, where we consider transitions
 563 of $0 \rightarrow 0$, $0 \rightarrow 1$, $1 \rightarrow 0$, and $1 \rightarrow 1$. Further, we consider four different directions (horizontal,
 564 vertical, and two diagonal directions) during GLCM calculation. The texture features considered are
 565 contrast, correlation, energy, and homogeneity. Definition of each statistical term is summarized in
 566 Supplementary Section D, where we refer to Beyer [53], Haralick [64], and Bevk [65]. Thus, for each
 567 woven composite pattern matrix, we will extract $4 \times 4 = 16$ features. We can achieve several excellent
 568 properties by extracting statistical features from 2-by-2 GLCM in the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$, leading to the
 569 following propositions:

570 **Proposition 1.** *Weave pattern GLCM statistical features (Contrast, Correlation, Energy, Homogeneity)*
 571 *correspond to a unique 2-by-2 GLCM.*

572 **Proposition 2.** *Weave pattern GLCM's Energy (with the help of several other statistical features) tells
 573 the relative relationship between different pattern transitions ($0 \rightarrow 0$, $0 \rightarrow 1$, $1 \rightarrow 0$, and $1 \rightarrow 1$) in the
 574 physical space.*

575 **Proposition 3.** *Weave pattern GLCM's Contrast and Homogeneity tell the frequencies of homogeneous
 576 transition ($0 \rightarrow 0, 1 \rightarrow 1$) and in-homogeneous transition ($0 \rightarrow 1, 1 \rightarrow 0$).*

577 Proofs of the above propositions can be found in Supplementary Section E.

578 7.2. Statistical Features from Weave Material Sequence

579 Statistical features from woven composite material are only considered for bi-material weaves, as
 580 the material sequence for a single material is a uniform constant vector. We split the material vector
 581 into the vector for the weft and the vector for the warp. First, we extract statistical features for each
 582 material vector, including mean, median, and standard deviation from the vector. For each material
 583 vector of a woven composite, we extract six features. Specifically, as material vectors can be constant,
 584 we do not include skewness and kurtosis in this study. Then, to account for the sequence information,
 585 we propose another statistical parameter called Vector Energy (VE): for any vector V , the vector energy
 586 is defined as $VE = \sum_{i=1}^L i * V(i)$. Here L denotes the length of the vector, and $V(i)$ is the value of the
 587 i-th component in V .

588 7.3. Regression Analysis of Extracted Features

589 To understand whether each statistical feature is positively or negatively correlated with in-plane
 590 modulus, we use regression analysis to determine the weights of each feature. Specifically, we consider two
 591 different cases: (1) how each feature is correlated with the label of the composite model. We group the
 592 woven composite models into two groups: one group with a better overall modulus ($E_{all} = E_1 + E_2 + G_{12}$)
 593 is labeled as '1,' and the other group is labeled as '0'; (2) how each feature is correlated with the

594 value of individual in-plane modulus. Here, the better overall modulus is selected based on the highest
 595 quantiles across all datasets under consideration.

596 *7.3.1. Regression analysis on the overall modulus of model*

597 To understand what features contribute to woven composite's better overall modulus, we utilize
 598 the Ridge regression to predict the overall modulus directly from the target statistical features. The
 599 regression model is defined as Equation 7.

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, \lambda} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 \quad (7)$$

600 where \mathbf{X} is the matrix formed by feature vectors. \mathbf{y} is vector containing E_{all} values. Similarly,
 601 values in vector \mathbf{w} tell us how each statistical feature is correlated to the woven composite model's E_{all} .

602 *7.3.2. Weave pattern feature analysis*

603 We first fix the weave material sequence and analyze how the weave pattern features are correlated
 604 with the overall composite modulus E_{all} . From the regression analysis results, we observe that the two
 605 regression models, one each for single and bi-material, have weights with the same signs, as shown in
 606 Table 10. From the results, we conclude that contrast and correlation are negatively correlated with
 607 the woven composite's overall modulus, while energy and homogeneity are positively correlated. This
 608 trend can be validated by case studies shown later in Sections 8.1.3 and 8.1.4, where we show that
 609 each GLCM feature controls the woven composite's modulus as indicated by the regression results.
 610 Furthermore, we prove that the GLCM features can be used to optimize weave patterns and guide the
 611 woven composite designs by case studies in Sections 8.1.3 and 8.1.4.

612 The regression analysis found that the homogeneity is positively correlated, whereas the contrast is
 613 negatively correlated. These results also agree with the analytical models discussed in Supplementary
 614 Section A. If we subtract the value of contrast from homogeneity with a specific multiplication constant,
 615 we obtain the value of homogeneous transitions in weave patterns ($0 \rightarrow 0, 1 \rightarrow 1$). Therefore, according
 616 to regression analysis, we can conclude that increasing the number of homogeneous transitions will
 617 result in higher in-plane moduli. This can be attributed to fewer undulations in the weave patterns
 618 with introductions of more homogeneous transitions.

Table 10: Sign of weights for weave pattern features

| GLCM 1 | | | | GLCM 2 | | | | |
|-----------------|----------|-------------|--------|-------------|----------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| Single Material | Contrast | Correlation | Energy | Homogeneity | Contrast | Correlation | Energy | Homogeneity |
| Bi-Material | - | - | + | + | - | - | + | + |
| GLCM 3 | | | | GLCM 4 | | | | |
| Single Material | - | - | + | + | - | - | + | + |
| Bi-Material | - | - | + | + | - | - | + | + |

619 *7.3.3. Weave material feature analysis*

620 We further consider how the weave material features correlate with its overall modulus E_{all} by
 621 fixing the weave pattern. Here, we consider two fixed weave patterns as shown in Figure 14. Each
 622 weave pattern is combined with 500 randomly distributed binary material vectors for regression analysis.
 623 Similarly, we consider the one proposed regression model that corresponds to the two fixed weave
 624 patterns.

625 The regression analysis results show that the mean value of the material vector significantly controls
 626 the overall modulus of the woven composites. This implies that the sequence of the material vector is

627 much less critical than the number of different materials on the property. This conclusion is validated
628 through case studies later in Section Supplementary Section H.1 and Supplementary Section H.2 with
629 different mean values of the material sequence. We have also shown that for the two patterns considered,
630 we want to increase the ratio between material ‘1’ and material ‘0’ in vertical yarns and decrease it in
631 horizontal yarns. Therefore, we can optimize the overall modulus for a given weave pattern by varying
632 the mean value of the material vector followed by the sequence.

633 8. Results and Discussion: Task 3 - Feature-based Statistical Optimization Case Studies

634 After proposing the GLCM representation strategy in Section 7, in this section, we demonstrate
635 how it can be effectively used for optimization by applying it to different weave models. Specifically, we
636 focus on optimizing the weave pattern given a material sequence and optimizing the material sequence
637 given a weave pattern.

638 8.1. Weave Pattern Optimization

639 In this section, we primarily investigate the effectiveness of our GLCM feature-based optimization
640 approach for improving weave patterns through several case studies. Firstly, we compare our optimization
641 strategy with the baseline model GIDN. Then, we utilize the GLCM to gain insights into why our
642 PCNN produces better predictions and how GLCM features can be effectively employed to optimize
643 the weave pattern.

644 8.1.1. Weave pattern optimization compared with baseline model - GIDN

645 We first compare our GLCM feature-based optimization with a baseline model GIDN[41] mentioned
646 in Section 1. GIDN consists of a designer and predictor and aims to overcome the issue of local minima
647 by using random initialization based on a Gaussian distribution. The authors claimed in their paper
648 that GIDN, with 1000 randomly initialized models, can find the optimal design. To demonstrate that
649 our GLCM method proposes superior weave models compared to GIDN, we consider GIDN with an
650 increased number of random initialization samples, namely GIDN-1000, GIDN-2000, GIDN-5000, and
651 GIDN-10000. To compare the performance of the GLCM model and GIDN, we randomly select a
652 weave pattern and a material sequence each time and attempt to find the optimal weave model using
653 GLCM features and different variants of GIDN. We tested for 20 randomly selected test cases, and we
654 noticed that the GLCM-based method is producing better prediction accuracy when GIDN’s searching
655 iteration is below 5000, and a comparable optimization performance with GIDN’s searching iteration
656 reaches 10000. Some example optimizations are summarized in Table 11 and Table 12. The ‘-N’ means
657 ‘normalized’ as all tables demonstrate that the GLCM-based optimization method outperforms the
658 GIDN models. Since the GLCM-based method can directly transform from GLCM space back to the
659 original physical space, and the optimization is based on a regression model, it is significantly more
660 efficient than the searching-based GIDN framework. For example, GIDN-5000 takes around 3-4 minutes
661 to finish the optimization, and GIDN-10000 takes 7-8 minutes. Besides time efficiency, compared to a
662 searching algorithm, the GLCM-based method provides a much deeper understanding of the correlations
663 between weave pattern features and the corresponding mechanical properties, as illustrated in Table 10.

Table 11: Test Case 1: Optimization for weave model with material sequence [1,0,1,0,1,1,0,0,1,0,0,0]

| | Original Model | GIDN-1000 | GIDN-2000 | GIDN-5000 | GIDN-10000 | GLCM |
|-------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------|
| E1-N | 33.73 | 29.23 | 25.72 | 30.69 | 33.86 | 39.80 |
| E2-N | 21.85 | 31.85 | 36.25 | 33.93 | 31.84 | 24.67 |
| G12-N | 25.02 | 25.88 | 25.85 | 25.32 | 26.38 | 27.40 |
| Sum | 80.60 | 86.96 | 87.82 | 89.94 | 92.09 | 91.87 |

Table 12: Test Case 2: Optimization for weave model with material sequence [1,1,0,0,1,1,1,0,0,1,1]

| | Original Model | GIDN-1000 | GIDN-2000 | GIDN-5000 | GIDN-10000 | GLCM |
|-------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------|
| E1-N | 31.85 | 24.84 | 25.41 | 31.83 | 33.73 | 38.23 |
| E2-N | 18.99 | 30.18 | 30.94 | 25.33 | 27.46 | 22.43 |
| G12-N | 22.55 | 22.31 | 22.88 | 23.32 | 23.59 | 25.52 |
| Sum | 73.39 | 77.33 | 79.23 | 80.48 | 84.78 | 86.18 |

664 8.1.2. Comparing pattern prediction from different neural network frameworks based on GLCM features

665 Figure 12 illustrates the predicted patterns generated by different neural network frameworks for a
666 bi-material woven composite with the same material sequence and in-plane modulus. At first glance,
667 the PCNN prediction appears closer to the original pattern. However, considering the many-to-one
668 mapping discussed in Section 4.4, we aim to perform a more analytical comparison of the results.
669 We employ our proposed GLCM-based feature analysis approach to achieve this by converting these
670 predicted patterns into GLCMs. Subsequently, we will compare the statistical features of these GLCMs,
671 as they can effectively represent the in-plane modulus.

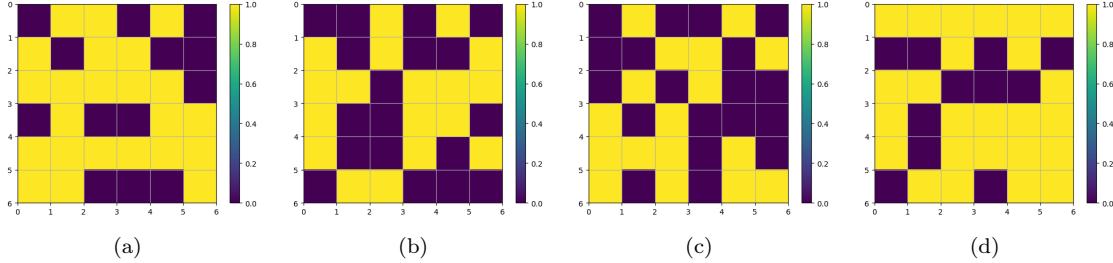


Fig. 12: Predicted bi-material weave pattern for BDPa problem: (a) original weave pattern (b) predicted weave pattern from Woven-Decoder (c) predicted weave pattern from Woven-GAN (d) predicted weave pattern from PCNN

672 We consider GLCM in all four directions: horizontal, vertical, 45° and -45° . The corresponding
673 GLCM statistical features are summarized in Table 13. From the regression analysis, we know the
674 weights of the statistical features are at the same level, so we can roughly estimate the closeness of
675 different feature vectors by the L2-norm of their differences. By calculating the corresponding L2-norm,
676 we see that: $\|F_o - F_d\|_2 = 0.629$, $\|F_o - F_g\|_2 = 0.668$ and $\|F_o - F_p\|_2 = 0.416$, where F_o denotes the
677 feature vector of the original pattern, F_d from the Woven-Decoder, F_g from the Woven-GAN, and F_p
678 from the PCNN. Furthermore, we can notice that the feature vector of PCNN is closer to the original
679 pattern than in other frameworks.

Table 13: GLCM statistical features of predicted weave patterns

| | Correlation | Contrast | Energy | Homogeneity | Correlation | Contrast | Energy | Homogeneity |
|------------------|-------------|----------|---------|-------------|-------------|----------|--------|-------------|
| GLCM 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Original Pattern | 0.4333 | -0.0476 | 0.2994 | 0.7833 | 0.5333 | -0.2000 | 0.3067 | 0.7333 |
| Woven-Decoder | 0.6333 | -0.2681 | -0.2683 | 0.6833 | 0.5333 | -0.0714 | 0.2533 | 0.7333 |
| Woven-GAN | 0.7000 | -0.4016 | 0.2906 | 0.6500 | 0.5333 | -0.0714 | 0.2533 | 0.7333 |
| PCNN | 0.4333 | 0.1086 | 0.2683 | 0.7833 | 0.6667 | -0.3393 | 0.2800 | 0.6667 |
| GLCM 3 | | | | | | | | |
| Original Pattern | 0.4000 | 0.0809 | 0.3248 | 0.8000 | 0.5600 | -0.2868 | 0.3184 | 0.7200 |
| Woven-Decoder | 0.5200 | -0.0400 | 0.2504 | 0.7400 | 0.4400 | 0.1200 | 0.2536 | 0.7800 |
| Woven-GAN | 0.4000 | 0.1987 | 0.2608 | 0.8000 | 0.4800 | 0.0385 | 0.2512 | 0.7600 |
| PCNN | 0.4400 | 0.1143 | 0.2568 | 0.7800 | 0.4800 | 0.0385 | 0.2512 | 0.7600 |
| GLCM 4 | | | | | | | | |

680 8.1.3. Case Study – shifting 1s vector in all 0s matrix horizontally or vertically

681 Consider a weave pattern with all 0s. Then we artificially change each row of the matrix to be 1s.
 682 When all 1s row lies between the top and bottom row of the pattern, the corresponding GLCMs are the
 683 same. When all 1s row lies on top or bottom of the pattern, the GLCM will be different from others.
 684 However, for our woven analysis, we are picking the RUC of the model and using periodic boundary
 685 conditions, which means viewing globally, the GLCM for the woven pattern with all 1's rows at the
 686 bottom or top will be the same as in other places. Thus, GLCM will be the same no matter where
 687 we put them all 1's row. Furthermore, we prove from the FEA result that the woven modulus is not
 688 changing for all 1's rows at different positions. When we further shift all 1s vectors at different columns
 689 of the all 0s pattern, where GLCM is also the same, we notice that the modulus is not changing. *These*
 690 *results tell us that when GLCM are close, the two woven models' modulus will also be close. That is to*
 691 *say, GLCM controls the features that determine the woven model's modulus.*

692 8.1.4. Case Study – weave pattern optimization through GLCM

693 We start by considering a weave pattern predicted by the PCNN-BDPa shown in Figure 13(a),
 694 which meets our desired mechanical properties requirement. The four corresponding GLCMs are:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 16 & 15 \\ 15 & 14 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 32 & 3 \\ 3 & 32 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 13 \\ 13 & 12 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 14 \\ 14 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

695 If we want to optimize the prediction to achieve an even higher modulus, we can modify the GLCM.
 696 From our previous lemmas, we know that we have to achieve higher energy and homogeneity in GLCM.
 697 Thus, we can change the GLCM in a horizontal direction such that some elements in the GLCM are
 698 high and others are very low. Then, we can convert it back to a weave pattern and adjust the pattern
 699 to increase energy in other GLCMs. An example of a modified pattern is shown in Figure 13(b), whose
 700 GLCM are:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 24 & 18 \\ 18 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 40 & 0 \\ 0 & 20 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 15 \\ 15 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 15 \\ 15 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (9)$$

701 Here, we can easily tell that the second woven pattern has higher energy than the first. By further
 702 evaluation in FEA, we notice that if we use this pattern for a single material woven composite, the
 703 original pattern has modulus: $E_1 = 44.3$ GPa, $E_2 = 26.3$ GPa, and the modified pattern has modulus
 704 $E_1 = 49.5$ GPa, $E_2 = 26.5$ GPa. The improvement is more significant when considering bi-material
 705 woven composites, as each modulus's variations are more significant. Here we will show one case where
 706 we assume the assigned material is an all '1's vector, and through FEA, we determine that the original
 707 woven pattern has a modulus of $E_1 = 28.4$ GPa, $E_2 = 16.5$ GPa, $G_{12} = 1.96$ GPa and the modified
 708 woven pattern has a modulus $E_1 = 35.2$ GPa, $E_2 = 20.2$ GPa, $G_{12} = 2.30$ GPa. *Thus, GLCM gives us*
 709 *a way to validate the proposed weave pattern by PCNN and further enhance the modulus if needed.*

710 *Analytical validation:* To further validate the GLCM optimization, we will compare both models
 711 qualitatively using the weave parameters discussed in Supplementary Section A. Comparing both weave
 712 architectures in Figure 13, we observe that GLCM optimization has removed and reduced the regions of
 713 undulations in warp and weft directions, respectively. In previous research [60, 66], it has been shown
 714 that the regions of undulation result in lower in-plane moduli values. Therefore, the GLCM-optimized

715 pattern has higher in-plane moduli than the weave pattern obtained from the PCNN-BDPa.

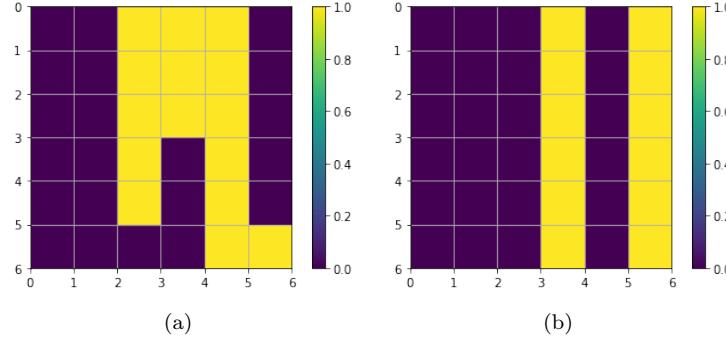


Fig. 13: woven composite patterns for Case 3

716 8.2. Weave Material Optimization

717 In this section, we further show weave material sequence optimization by conducting case studies
 718 of 2 randomly chosen patterns shown in Figure 14. For each pattern, different choices of mate-
 719 rial vectors are considered. Case studies and results regarding material optimization are shown in
 720 Supplementary Section H.

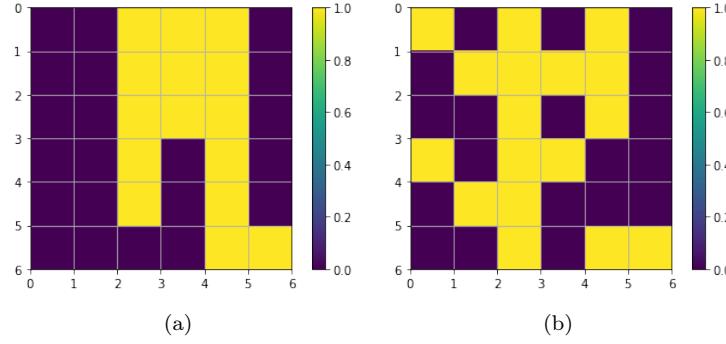


Fig. 14: Two weave patterns considered for weave material sequence case studies

721 8.3. Summary of Regression and Optimization Results

722 Based on the regression analysis and optimization studies conducted on the weave pattern and
 723 material sequence, we conclude that:

- 724 1. When optimizing the weave pattern with a fixed material sequence, the relationship between the
 725 weave pattern and overall in-plane modulus can be effectively described using GLCM features.
 726 The regression analysis reveals that energy and homogeneity positively correlate with the overall
 727 modulus, while contrast and correlation exhibit a negative correlation. This conclusion holds for
 728 all checkerboard-type models and can be utilized to optimize the weave pattern.
- 729 2. Compared to the GIDN framework with different random samples, our proposed GLCM-based
 730 optimization approach outperforms GIDNs by achieving optimal designs and requiring less time,
 731 as it does not rely on random searching.
- 732 3. When considering a fixed weave pattern, the relationship between the weave material sequence
 733 and overall in-plane modulus can be described by examining the mean of the material sequence
 734 vector in the physical space. It is important to note that this conclusion is specific to patterns in
 735 Figure 14 and two materials considered in the study.

736 8.4. Discover Optimal Woven Composite Architecture at Initial Design Stage

737 We have shown that PCNN can predict weave patterns or material sequences with high accuracy,
738 and feature-based optimization can enhance the overall modulus of woven composite models. The
739 proposed optimization strategy can be combined with PCNN to determine the optimal woven composite
740 architecture even at the initial design stage. For example, to design a woven composite model, we
741 assume there are two materials to choose from for each yarn. We can use any weave pattern to find the
742 woven composite architecture with the highest overall modulus. To determine the optimal design, we
743 can follow the steps below:

- 744 1. Determine the optimal material sequence through the feature-based optimization strategy, then
745 follow the procedure described in Section 7.2 and Section 7.3.
- 746 2. Pick the maximum in-plane modulus (E_1, E_2, G_{12}) within a reasonable range, choose the material
747 sequence vector determined in Step 1, then use PCNN to predict the weave pattern.
- 748 3. After obtaining the weave pattern, further utilize a feature-based optimization strategy to optimize
749 the weave pattern to achieve the optimal woven composite designs.

750 9. Conclusions

751 The objective of this paper is twofold: 1) The first is to establish a bridge between woven architectures
752 (patterns and material sequences) and the corresponding in-plane modulus by developing deep neural
753 networks. We classify the prediction into the typical design process (FDP) and inverse design process
754 (BDPa and BDPb). The FDP problem is solved by a Deep Convolutional Neural Network (DCNN).
755 For the much more complex BDP problems, we proposed the Physics-constrained Neural Network
756 (PCNN) to predict the woven composite architecture from the in-plane modulus. We have shown that
757 our proposed DCNN delivers relatively accurate predictions. More importantly, PCNN can make sound
758 predictions for BDP problems and vastly outperforms the baseline models we considered. 2) The second
759 is to propose a feature-based optimization strategy to find optimal woven composite architecture. We
760 proposed a GLCM feature-based optimization strategy for weave patterns and statistical feature-based
761 optimization for weave material sequences. We further showed that the feature-based optimization
762 strategy can accurately and conveniently optimize the woven composite architecture. Finally, we
763 showed how to find the optimal woven composite architecture by combining PCNN with our proposed
764 feature-based optimization strategy.

765 To our knowledge, this is the first attempt toward a bi-directional design process for woven fabrics and
766 textiles with deep neural networks. That is, predicting mechanical properties from weave architectures
767 (pattern and material sequence) and vice-versa. We primarily focused on woven composites in this
768 paper. However, this approach can be applied to generic woven fabrics and textiles.

769 To solve the complex backward prediction (BDP) problems, we proposed our Physics-constrained
770 Neural Network (PCNN) to bridge the woven composite's modulus and architecture. We have shown
771 that our proposed neural network vastly increases the prediction accuracy compared to several well-
772 established baseline models.

773 We further proposed feature-based optimization to optimize the woven composite architecture.
774 We proposed a Gray Level Co-occurrence Matrix-based optimization strategy for weave pattern
775 optimization and a statistical feature-based optimization strategy for weave material sequence. The

776 feature-based optimization strategy can be combined with PCNN to determine the optimal woven
777 composite architecture even at the initial design stage.

778 Although our proposed framework has been trained and validated using synthetic data, it is designed
779 to enhance the design process for woven composites in practical applications. By providing faster and
780 more accurate design capabilities, the framework offers significant benefits to industries that utilize
781 woven composites. Specifically, it enhances efficiency by accelerating the design process and reduces
782 costs by minimizing the need for costly trial-and-error experimental testing.

783 10. Future Work

784 This paper presents a deep neural network-based framework designed to enhance the design and
785 prediction capabilities for woven composites. While the results are promising, several potential future
786 directions could further enrich this work: **1) application to real-world problems:** the dataset used
787 in this study is synthetically generated using Finite Element Analysis software. However, in real-world
788 applications, the data often contain noise, variability and uncertainty. Future research should focus on
789 extending the current framework to handle real-world woven composites, where incorporating methods
790 to account for stochastic variability and noise becomes essential, such as Monte Carlo simulations
791 or Bayesian methods. **2) extending to 3D woven composite and other types of materials:** al-
792 though this study specifically targets 2D woven composites, the proposed PCNN framework has the
793 potential to be adapted for inverse design of 3D woven composites and other composite materials.
794 Each material type may present unique challenges and characteristics, requiring tailored adjustments
795 to the neural network architecture and training process. Future work could explore these adap-
796 tations, expanding the framework's applicability to 3D woven composites and a broader range of
797 materials, including those with different fiber orientations, matrix compositions, or hybrid structures.
798 **3) texture feature-based algorithm for woven composites:** This study highlights the significant
799 influence of texture features on the mechanical properties of woven composites. Future research
800 could delve deeper into this aspect by developing texture feature-based algorithms or neural networks.
801 Such algorithms could improve prediction accuracy or reduce the amount of training data required,
802 making the framework more efficient and accessible. Exploring advanced techniques like texture feature
803 extraction using deep learning, multi-scale feature analysis, or combining texture features with other
804 material characteristics could lead to more refined models that better capture the complex behaviors of
805 woven composites.

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822 **Data Availability**

823 The entire PCNN framework and baseline models can be found on our GitHub page:<https://github.com/Isaac0047/Physics-Constrained-Neural-Network-for-Woven-Composite-Analysis-and-Optimization.git>.
824 This includes the entire implementation code with model generation, data processing, PCNN
825 framework setup and baseline models setup. A detailed description of the steps involved with running
826 the PCNN framework is included in the readme file on this GitHub page.

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963 **Supplementary Document**

964 *Supplementary Section A. Explaining the weave parameters*

965 *Supplementary Section A.1. n_g and Crimp ratio*

966 Woven fabrics comprise sets of warp and weft threads that are interlaced together in different ways to
 967 achieve various architectures. Earlier, the weave patterns consisted of uniform interlacing of these yarns
 968 in perpendicular directions, and these patterns could be classified using the repeat of the interlaced
 969 regions. A geometrical parameter, n_g defines the number of warp yarns that are interlaced with one
 970 single weft yarn. In Figure A.1(i), we have shown traditional weave patterns with their respective n_g
 971 values. As we can observe, a plain weave has the lowest n_g value of 2, whereas the 8-harness (8-H)
 972 satin has an n_g value of 8. Another geometrical factor, crimp ratio (θ_g), reflects the undulation of the
 973 yarns at the interlaced region as shown in Figure A.1(ii). For 2D woven structures, the crimp ratio
 974 is defined for warp and weft directions. For a woven fabric, the crimp ratio increases with a decrease
 975 in n_g value and vice-versa. For example, the crimp ratio of a plain weave will be higher than that of
 976 a satin weave. Osada et al. [66] compared the failure of composites with plain weave and 5-H satin
 977 weave, and they reported that the crimp ratio had a significant impact on the material properties. It
 978 was shown that the plain weave had a crimp ratio of 0.164 whereas the value was 0.023 for the satin
 979 weave. They also proposed that the initial slope and the strength of the satin weave composite were
 980 higher than the plain weave composite, with a delayed knee-point formation. Ishikawa and Chou [60]
 981 also exploited these geometrical parameters to propose an analytical model to predict the properties of
 982 woven composites. The model developed showed that the elastic moduli of composites reduce with the
 983 existence of the undulated regions in the warp and weft directions, respectively.

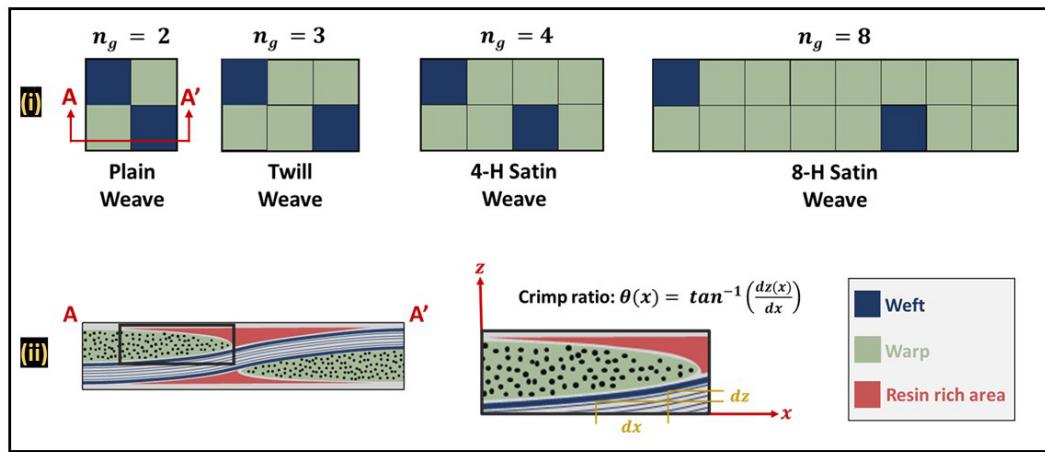


Fig. A.1: (i) Examples of n_g values for Plain, Twill, 4-H Satin, and 8-H Satin weave patterns and (ii) Section AA' of the plain weave to illustrate crimp ratio ($\theta(x)$) at the interlaced region.

984 *Supplementary Section A.2. Bridging effect*

985 Ishikawa and Chou [60] also proposed a "bridging" model to predict the mechanical properties
 986 of satin composites ($n_g \geq 4$). In this model, the surrounding region around the crimp region was
 987 considered to obtain the properties. In Figure A.2, we have shown a comparison between plain weave
 988 and 8-H satin weaves. In plain weave, we can observe that the surrounding regions also consist of the
 989 undulated region which will result in lower in-plane moduli. On the other hand, for 8-H satin weave,
 990 the surrounding region consists of straight yarns with no undulated region. Therefore, the surrounding
 991 region has higher local in-plane moduli compared to the undulated region. These straight yarns in
 992 surrounding regions act as a load-carrying bridge between neighboring interlaced regions.

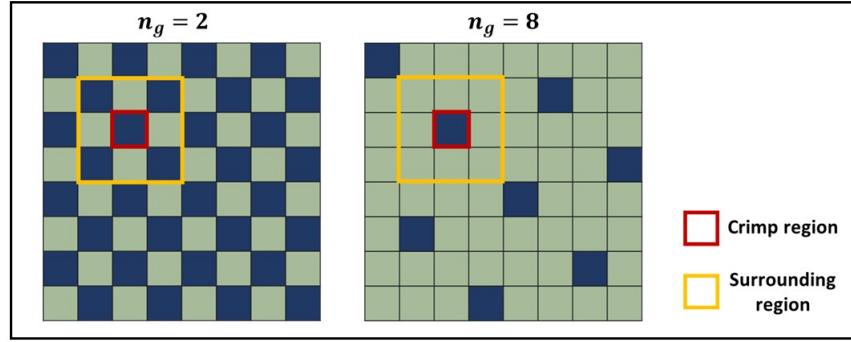


Fig. A.2: Illustration of bridging concept for Plain and 8-H weave patterns. The red box depicts the area of undulation, while the yellow box depicts the surrounding region.

993 Although the previous research is restricted to the mechanical properties of uniform weave archi-
 994 tectures, it has been shown that geometrical parameters of a weave architecture play a vital role in
 995 determining the mechanical behavior of woven composites. In this work, we will utilize these geometric
 996 parameters to evaluate the predictions made using the Machine Learning framework.

997 *Supplementary Section B. Woven composite models having same in-plane modulus*

998 Different woven composite models could have the same in-plane modulus as discussed earlier. This
 999 can be easily visualized through histogram plots, as shown in Figure B.4 and Figure B.5. For every
 1000 single material and bi-material woven composite model, we use 9000 models for verification purposes.

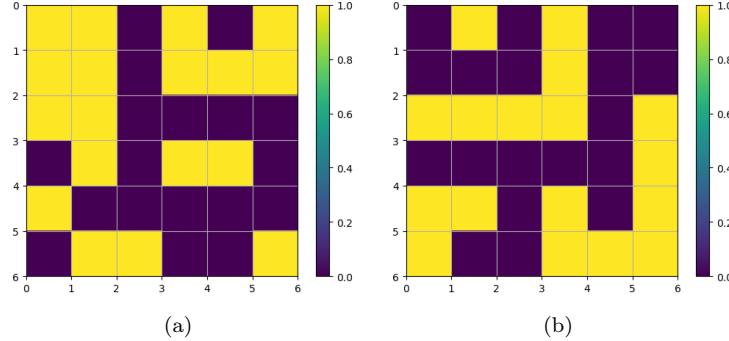


Fig. B.3: Single material weave patterns having the same modulus in E_1 .

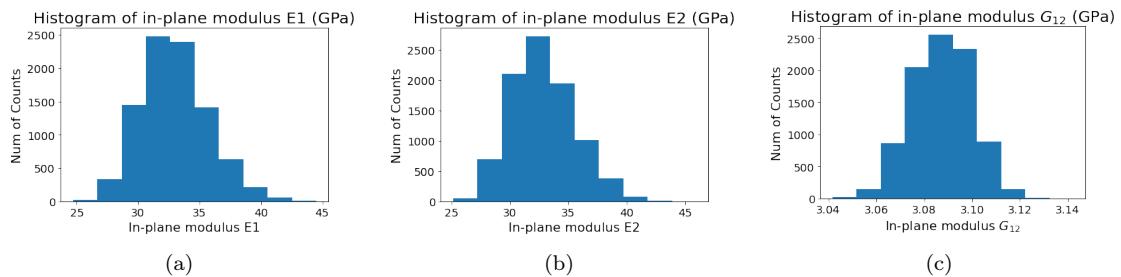


Fig. B.4: In-plane modulus distribution for 9000 models of single material woven composite

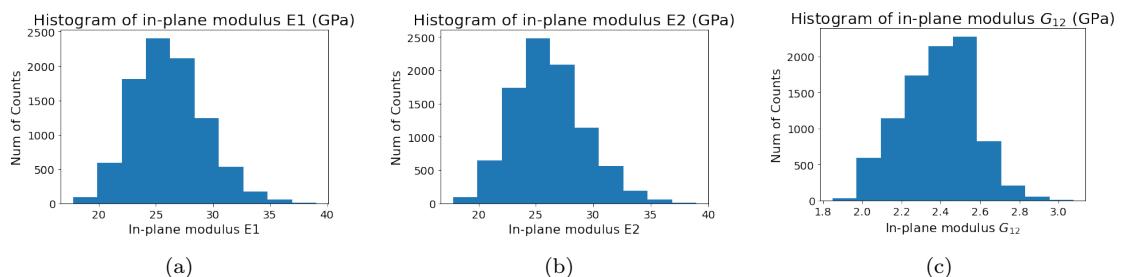


Fig. B.5: In-plane modulus distribution for 9000 models of bi-material woven composite

1001 *Supplementary Section C. Machine Learning Baseline Models*

1002 *Supplementary Section C.1. Convolutional-based Encoder-Decoder Network model (Woven-Decoder)*

1003 The Convolutional-based Encoder-Decoder Network is an encoder-decoder neural network that
 1004 consists of an encoder neural network and a decoder neural network in which one or both are convolutional
 1005 neural networks. For this paper, the woven-decoder extracts high-level features from two inputs and
 1006 predicts the results in output physical space. A brief framework overview is shown in Figure C.6.

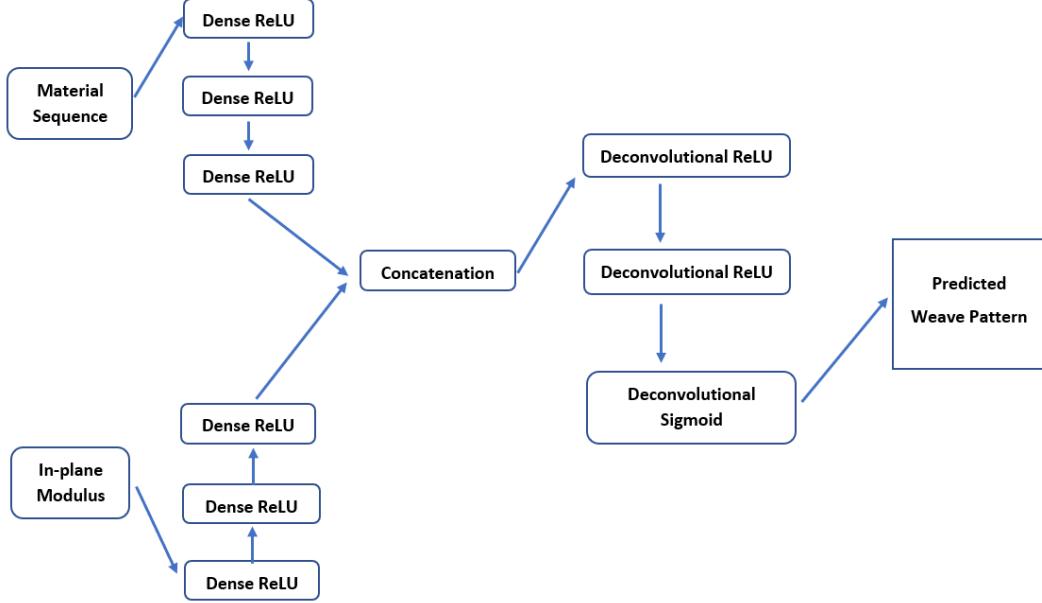


Fig. C.6: Woven-Decoder overall framework for BDPa problem: modules inside green dashed line is the generator and modules inside red dashed line is the discriminator. The 'Deconvolutional' blocks are deconvolutional layers with ReLU or Sigmoid as the activation function and 'Convolutional' blocks are Convolutional layers with ReLU as the activation function.

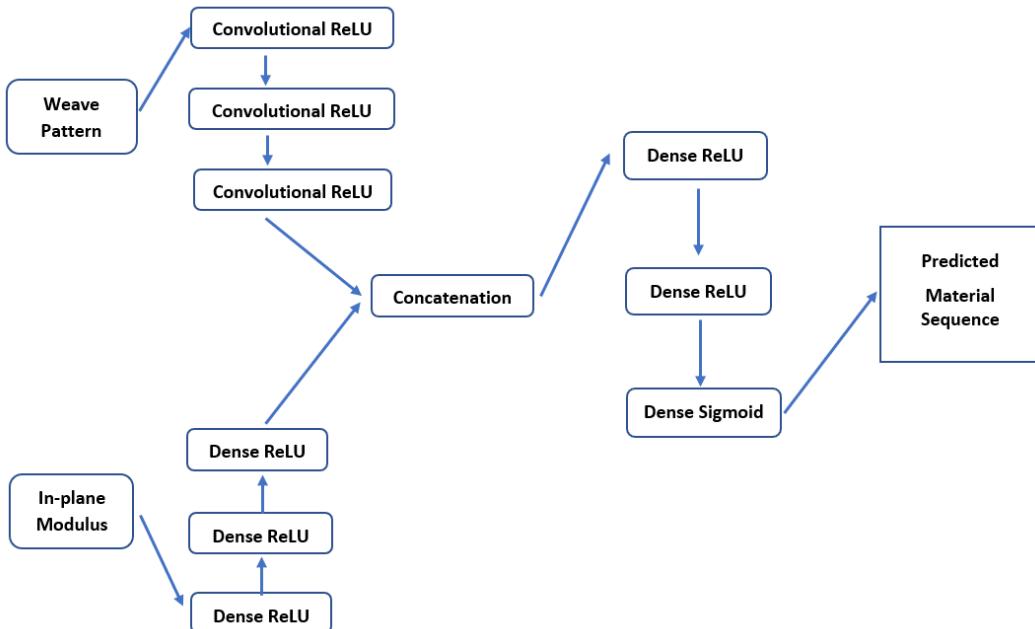


Fig. C.7: Woven-Decoder overall framework for BDPb problem: modules inside green dashed line is the generator and modules inside red dashed line is the discriminator. The 'Convolutional' blocks are Convolutional layers with ReLU as activation function. The Dense layers are connected with either ReLU or Sigmoid activation function.

1007 *Supplementary Section C.2. Generative Adversarial Network model (Woven-GAN)*

1008 Generative Adversarial Network (GAN) is a class of machine learning framework. GAN consists
 1009 of a generator and a discriminator. GAN's discriminator tells how much input is realistic, while the
 1010 generator is used to generate the output that can fool the discriminator. GAN's core idea is 'indirect'

1011 training by adding a discriminator model after the prediction, such that the generator can produce
 1012 a prediction close to the true value. A brief framework overview for the BDPa problem is shown in
 1013 Figure C.8, and the framework overview for the BDPb problem is shown in Figure C.9.

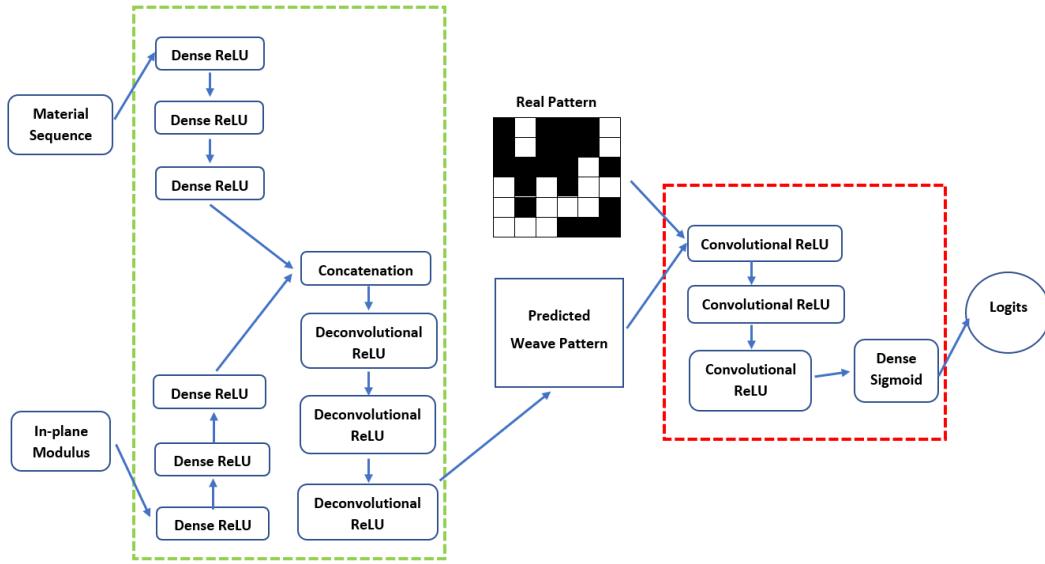


Fig. C.8: Woven-GAN overall framework for BDPa problem: modules inside the green dashed lines are the generator, and modules inside the red dashed line are the discriminator. Each 'Deconvolutional' block consists of Deconvolutional layers with ReLU, and each 'Convolutional' block consists of Convolutional layers with ReLU. The 'logits' module will output the probabilities that our predicted material vector is 'realistic'.

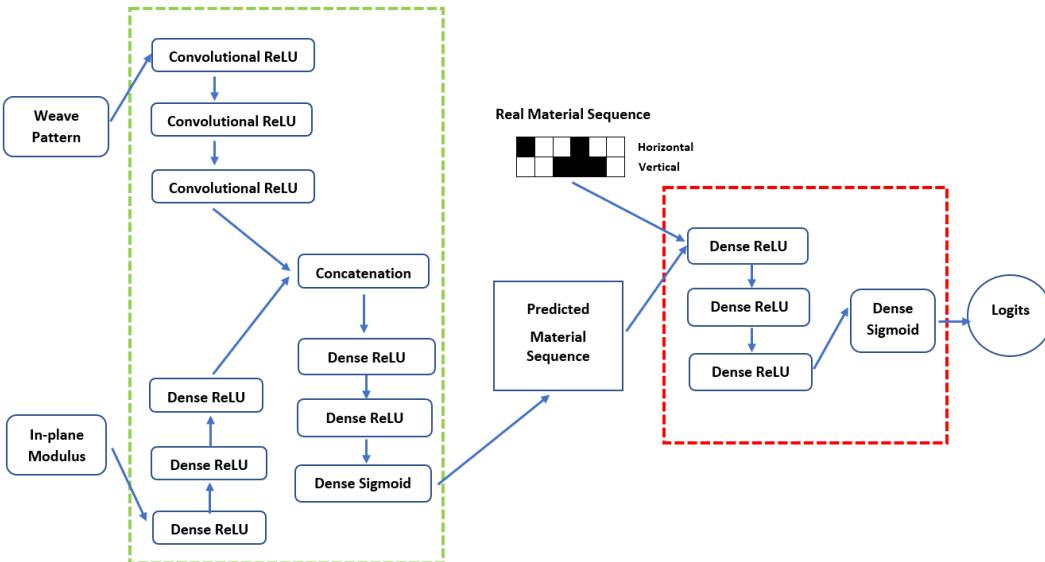


Fig. C.9: Woven-GAN overall framework for BDPb problem: modules inside the green dashed line are the generator, and modules inside the red dashed line are the discriminator. Each 'Convolutional' block consists of Convolutional layers with ReLU. The 'logits' module will output the probabilities that our predicted material vector is 'realistic'.

1014 *Supplementary Section C.3. Genetic Algorithm (Woven-GA)*

1015 The Genetic Algorithm starts from several randomly generated samples as the first generation and
 1016 calculates their corresponding values based on the defined objective function, called the fitness function.
 1017 The crossover module with a predefined rate is performed to determine whether to perform crossover or
 1018 directly pass the parent into the next generation. Once crossover is performed, the mutation is further
 1019 used to make the population more diverse to avoid local optima. Such diversity allows the Algorithm
 1020 to approach global optima faster. This crossover-mutation process will continue as more generations
 1021 are generated until the termination criteria are met; either we already find the global optima or reach
 1022 the maximum number of generations. The brief flowchart of the Genetic Algorithm can be summarized
 1023 in Figure C.10.

1024 To find out the woven composite architecture with desired in-plane modulus with GA, we define the
 1025 objective function as Equation 10, where DCNN is the trained neural network from the FDP problem.
 1026 P_{woven} , M_{woven} are the woven pattern and material assignment. Here one of them is given, and the
 1027 other is the prediction. For example, for BDPa, M_{woven} will be given, and P_{woven} will be the predicted
 1028 woven pattern.

$$F = \|E_{target} - E_{predict}\|_2^2 = \|E_{target} - DCNN(P_{woven}, M_{woven})\|_2^2 \quad (10)$$

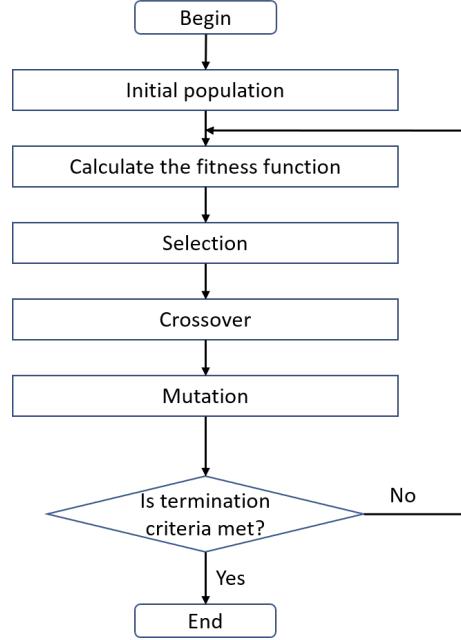


Fig. C.10: Genetic algorithm overall framework.

1029 *Supplementary Section D. Texture feature equations*

1030 This section provides detailed definitions of each statistical feature from GLCM, denoted by matrix
 1031 m .

$$\text{Contrast} = \sum_i \sum_j (i - j)^2 m(i, j) \quad (11)$$

$$\text{Correlation} = \frac{\sum_i \sum_j ij[m(i, j)] - \mu_x \mu_y}{\sigma_x \sigma_y} \quad (12)$$

$$\text{Energy} = \sum_i \sum_j [m(i, j)]^2 \quad (13)$$

$$\text{Homogeneity} = \sum_i \sum_j \frac{m(i, j)}{1 + |i - j|} \quad (14)$$

1032 *Supplementary Section E. Proofs of Propositions in Section 7.1*

1033 **Proof of Proposition 1.** *We can express the four statistical features of the target GLCM as in*
1034 *Equation 15.*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{contrast} &= b + c \\ \text{correlation} &= \frac{d - \mu_x \mu_y}{\sigma_x \sigma_y} \\ \text{energy} &= a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2 \\ \text{homogeneity} &= a + \frac{b}{2} + \frac{c}{2} + d \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

1035 *Where the more generic expression of the statistical features can be found in Supplementary Section*
1036 *D. In Equation 15, there are four independent equations for four elements in GLCM, meaning the four*
1037 *statistical features can uniquely determine the GLCM.*

1038 **Proof of Proposition 2.** *For the same 2-by-2 GLCM as in proof 1, it is evident that $a + b + c + d = C_0$,*
1039 *where C_0 is a constant depending on the size of the physical space matrix. Then we can prove that*
1040 *energy tells us the number of transitions in the original space.*

1041 *We can first consider extreme cases where maximum and minimum energy happens. We can quickly*
1042 *show that maximum energy occurs when one of (a, b, c, d) is non-zero, and all others are zeros, while*
1043 *the minimum energy happens when $a = b = c = d$ (these proofs are shown in Supplementary Section F).*
1044 *So when we have higher energy, one or two types of transition in physical space must be much larger*
1045 *than the others. Furthermore, when we have small energy, frequencies of different types of transitions*
1046 *will be more evenly balanced.*

1047 *In addition to our understanding of energy, using other statistical features could further help*
1048 *determine the specific dominated transitions in GLCM. For example, in the largest energy case, a*
1049 *contrast equal to zero tells us a or d is not equal to zero; a correlation smaller than zero tells us $d = 0$.*
1050 *Homogeneity square equals to energy tells us $b = c = 0$ but a or $d \neq 0$.*

1051 **Proof of Proposition 3.** *From Proposition 1, contrast ($= b + c$) is determined by the sum of off-*
1052 *diagonal terms, while homogeneity ($= a + d + \frac{b+c}{2}$) is determined by the sum of diagonal and discounted*
1053 *off-diagonal terms. Thus, combining contrast and homogeneity will tell us the sum of diagonal ($a + d =$*
1054 *Homogeneity - Contrast / 2) and off-diagonal terms ($b + c = \text{Contrast}$).*

1055 *Supplementary Section F. Proofs for Sub-Conclusions used in Proposition 2*

1056 *In the proofs of Claim 2, we mentioned that GLCM is defined as* $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$. *High energy indicates*
1057 *that one or two values in GLCM are much higher than others, and low energy indicates more balanced*
1058 *values.*

1059 *Proof.* Finding the highest energy can be described as $\text{argmax}_{a,b,c,d} E(a, b, c, d)$, where $E(a, b, c, d) =$
1060 $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2$, subject to $a + b + c + d = k$. Then rewrite energy expression as $E(a, b, c, d) =$
1061 $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + (k - a - b - c)^2$. Then by considering the energy as a function of c and by finding $\frac{\partial E}{\partial c} = 0$
1062 and noticing $\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial c^2} = 4 > 0$, the maximum value will happen at $c = k$ or 0 . If $c = k$, then $a = b = d = 0$,
1063 conclusion proved. If $c = 0$, we can find $a + b = k$ and thus $d = 0$. Then by calculating $\frac{\partial E(a,b)}{\partial a} = 0$ and
1064 noticing $\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial a^2} = 4 > 0$, we know $a = 0$ or k .

1065 Finding the lowest energy can be described as $\text{argmin}_{a,b,c,d} E(a, b, c, d)$, where $E(a, b, c, d) = a^2 +$
1066 $b^2 + c^2 + d^2$, subject to $a + b + c + d = C_0$. Like the above proof, we first rewrite energy express as

1067 $E(a, b, c, d) = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + (k - a - b - c)^2$. Then by noticing $\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial c^2} = 4 > 0$, we want to solve c by
 1068 $\frac{\partial E}{\partial c} = 0$ and find $c = d$. Then we can further rewrite energy expression as $E(a, b) = a^2 + b^2 + 2(\frac{k-a-b}{2})^2$.
 1069 Then by noticing $\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial b^2} > 0$ we can find $b = c$, thus we must have $a = b = c = d$.

1070 Conclusion proved. □

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1072 *Supplementary Section G. Example of Modulus Bound Relaxation algorithm*

1073 This section shows how the Modulus Relaxation algorithm modifies the weave pattern predicted
 1074 for user-defined target moduli values. Figure G.11(a) is the original predicted weave pattern from
 1075 PCNN, and Figure G.11(b) is the modified weave pattern, which does not have a continuous yarn
 1076 problem. The original weave pattern was predicted for a target in-plane moduli of $E_1 = 26.0\text{GPa}$, $E_2 =$
 1077 26.0GPa , $G_{12} = 2.30\text{GPa}$ with a material vector, $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. The predicted weave pattern
 1078 has in-plane moduli of $E_1 = 25.6\text{GPa}$, $E_2 = 25.3\text{GPa}$, $G_{12} = 2.25\text{GPa}$. On the other hand, the
 1079 modified weave pattern having the same material vector has in-plane moduli of $E_1 = 25.5\text{GPa}$, $E_2 =$
 1080 25.0GPa , $G_{12} = 2.26\text{GPa}$, which is close to the modulus of the original predicted weave pattern. The
 1081 minor reduction in the in-plane moduli for the weave pattern in Figure G.11(b) can be attributed to
 1082 more undulations between the warp and weft thread.

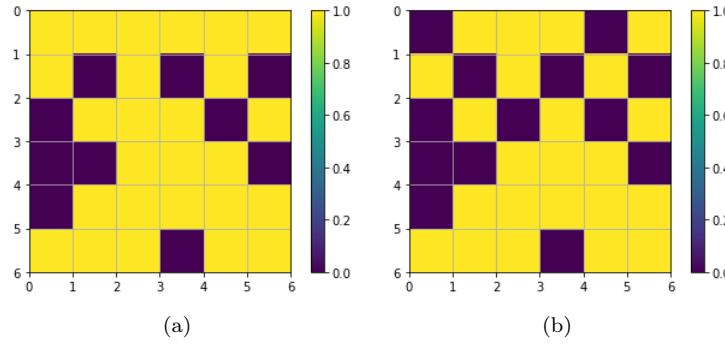


Fig. G.11: Weave pattern modification from the Modification Module: (a) original weave pattern predicted from PCNN
 (b) modified weave pattern from Modification Module

1083 *Supplementary Section H. Weave material sequence optimization case study*

1084 *Supplementary Section H.1. Case Study – weave material sequence sensitivity study*

1085 First, we consider two 1-by-6 material vectors, where the first material vector represents horizontal
 1086 yarn materials and the second represents vertical yarn materials. We consider two scenarios: (1) The
 1087 ratio between the two materials in each vector is 1 : 1. (2) the ratio between the two materials in each
 1088 material vector is 3 : 1 and 1 : 3, respectively. Then, we randomly choose several woven patterns, for
 1089 example, as shown in Figure 14. Regardless of our material vector sequence, the woven composite's
 1090 in-plane modulus will be nearly the same if the ratio between the two materials is the same for horizontal
 1091 and vertical yarns. *This validates our conclusion that only the material vector's mean or sum controls*
 1092 *the corresponding in-plane modulus.*

1093 *Supplementary Section H.2. Case Study – weave material sequence optimization for specific weave*
 1094 *patterns with different material ratios*

1095 *Overall material ratio 1:1.* Assume initially, we either have a material vector M_b or is proposed by
 1096 PCNN as:

$$M_b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (16)$$

1097 The first row represents the horizontal yarn materials, and the second represents the vertical yarn
 1098 materials. Such material assignment gives us the corresponding modulus $E_1 = 40.18$ GPa, $E_2 = 23.39$
 1099 GPa, $G_{12} = 2.702$ GPa. Now, we want to enhance the corresponding overall modulus of the woven
 1100 pattern. Here, we introduce two material vectors; one completely follows our conclusion from the
 1101 regression-based analysis in Section 7.3.3 (say M_c), and the other reverses our conclusion (say M_r).
 1102 The corresponding material vectors can be expressed as:

$$M_c = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad M_r = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (17)$$

1103 *Overall material ratio 1:3.* Here, our material vector is:

$$M_b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (18)$$

1104 This material assignment gives us a modulus of $E_1 = 40.18$ GPa, $E_2 = 23.39$ GPa, $G_{12} = 2.702$
 1105 GPa. To enhance the corresponding overall modulus of the woven pattern, we introduce two material
 1106 vectors as above:

$$M_c = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad M_r = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (19)$$

1107 *Overall material ratio 3:1.* For this case study, we have a material vector:

$$M_b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20)$$

1108 The corresponding modulus are $E_1 = 40.18$ GPa, $E_2 = 23.39$ GPa, and $G_{12} = 2.702$ GPa. We
 1109 introduce the two material vectors M_c and M_r as:

$$M_c = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad M_r = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (21)$$

1110 *Results.* From Table 14, the sequence M_c , which follows our optimization strategy, consistently achieves
 1111 superior overall modulus over M_b and M_r . While, M_r , which contradicts our optimization strategy,
 1112 nearly always achieves the lowest modulus. *Thus, using the GLCM based optimization strategy, we can*
 1113 *conclude that having more material 1 in the vertical yarn and material 0 in horizontal yarn is beneficial*
 1114 *for the patterns shown in Figure 14.* This can be extended to other patterns considered by a user.

Table 14: Weave material sequence based optimization

| | Material Ratio | Ratio 1:1 | | | Ratio 1:3 | | | Ratio 3:1 | | | | | | |
|-----------|----------------|-----------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| | | Modulus | E1-N | E2-N | G12-N | Sum | E1-N | E2-N | G12-N | Sum | E1-N | E2-N | G12-N | Sum |
| Pattern 1 | M_b (GPa) | 32.65 | 20.76 | 23.93 | 77.34 | 31.15 | 17.95 | 21.61 | 70.72 | 36.80 | 23.32 | 27.11 | 87.23 | |
| | M_c (GPa) | 36.33 | 20.03 | 25.04 | 81.40 | 32.23 | 17.81 | 21.98 | 72.01 | 38.70 | 22.57 | 27.60 | 88.86 | |
| | M_r (GPa) | 31.35 | 21.50 | 23.87 | 76.72 | 29.39 | 18.89 | 21.50 | 69.78 | 36.33 | 24.02 | 27.32 | 87.67 | |
| Pattern 2 | M_b (GPa) | 27.94 | 24.51 | 23.83 | 76.27 | 26.51 | 20.81 | 21.23 | 68.55 | 31.92 | 27.20 | 26.93 | 86.04 | |
| | M_c (GPa) | 31.67 | 23.04 | 24.51 | 79.23 | 27.69 | 20.51 | 21.46 | 69.56 | 34.05 | 26.12 | 27.19 | 87.35 | |
| | M_r (GPa) | 26.47 | 25.67 | 23.87 | 76.01 | 24.76 | 22.42 | 21.34 | 68.52 | 31.49 | 28.40 | 27.38 | 87.28 | |