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Foreword

This European Standard (EN 12788:2005) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 184 “Advanced technical ceramics”, the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the conditions for determination of the flexural strength of ceramic matrix composite materials with continuous fibre reinforcement under three-point or four-point bending for temperatures up to 2 000 °C under vacuum or a gas atmosphere which is inert to the material under test.

NOTE 1 The use of these environments is aimed at avoiding changes of the material affecting its flexural strength caused by chemical reaction with its environment during the test.

This European document applies to all ceramic matrix composites with a continuous fibre reinforcement, unidirectional (1D), bidirectional (2D), and tridirectional (x D, with $2 < x \leq 3$), loaded along one principal axis of reinforcement.

NOTE 2 The method outlined in this document should not be used to obtain values of flexural strength for design purposes.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this European Standard. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 12789, *Advanced technical ceramics — Mechanical properties of ceramic composites at high temperature under air at atmospheric pressure — Determination of flexural strength*

EN 60584-1:1995, *Thermocouples — Part 1: Reference tables (IEC 60584-1:1995)*

EN 60584-2:1993, *Thermocouples — Part 2: Tolerances (IEC 60584-2:1982 + A1:1989)*

ENV 843-5:1996, *Advanced technical ceramics — Monolithic ceramics — Mechanical tests at room temperature — Part 5: Statistical analysis*

EN ISO 7500-1:1999, *Metallic materials — Verification of static uniaxial testing machines — Part 1: Tension/compression testing machines — Verification and calibration of the force-measuring system*

ISO 3611:1978, *Micrometer callipers for external measurement*

3 Terms, definitions and symbols

For the purposes of this European Standard, the following terms, definitions and symbols apply.

3.1

test temperature, T

temperature at the centre of the test piece

3.2

maximum flexural force, F_m

highest recorded force in a flexural test on the test specimen when tested to failure

3.3

flexural stress, σ

nominal stress on the outer surface of the test specimen, calculated at mid span

NOTE This stress is conventionally calculated according to the simple beam theory, the basic assumptions of which may not be met by ceramic matrix composite materials.

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