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Mechanics of Advanced Composite Structures

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- lightweight structural design;
- advanced material applications;
- failure mode analysis;
- material-structure-function

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