

# Analysing the Mechanical Properties of Chemical Bonded Nonwoven Fabric by Using Selvedge Waste - An Overview

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**Abstract** — An examination of the thermal insulating properties of six cotton and polyester-based textile samples Recycled edge waste that was turned into a green product. Although its quantities are small, waste from the selvedge-recovered cotton and polyester fibres is a potential supply of raw material that may be used for the process of thermal insulation applications. Chemical bonding is used in the process to create multilayer nonwoven sheets. The physical characteristics of each sample were examined for thermal insulation in accordance with ASTM and ISO standards. Thermal insulation processes on temperatures (0,25,50,75,100, 125,150,175 and 200°C) were computed based on the thermal conductive in solids principle technique of measuring thermal insulation qualities. The findings demonstrated a nonwoven material produced using cotton and polyester selvedge waste that has been reprocessed, finds applications for thermal insulation. The recycled waste cotton/polyester selvedge nonwoven mats can withstand dampness in a humid environment conditions in a suitable manner without compromising their insulating capabilities. This analysis demonstrates that 100% polyester and 50/50 Cotton/ Polyester nonwovens provide with improved thermal insulation properties.

**Keywords:** Nonwoven Fabric, Selvedge Waste

## I. INTRODUCTION

To minimise environmental burden and encourage the most efficient use of resources, The most effective way to recycle fibrous trash is important environmental problem the globe is facing [1]. When it comes to the automobile, thermal insulation is crucial since it helps to prevent heat from entering and leaving the vehicle's exterior. Research will also show that the interior components of cars have efficient thermal insulation. By using mechanical procedures, selvedge wastes may be converted into short fibres. Research on the more or less total recycling of fibres from end-of-life textiles has involved a number of techniques. A grinding machine is used to pulverise selvedge trash initially [2]. In comparison to traditional thermal insulators, using recycled cotton and polyester nonwovens provides a number of benefits, such as lower product costs, easier handling, and environmental protection.

Materials with thermal insulation purpose were created from recovered fibres. It makes sense to find out whether materials generated from recovered selvedge wastes are capable of thermal insulation as they have been integrated into a thorough production interior design, thermal insulation, and nonwoven materials processing automobile applications [3]. Many insulation materials created using recycled fabrics a mixed of polyester with cotton fibres were examined for their ability to insulate against heat [2].

When nonwoven materials were utilised as thermal insulation, heat travelled through different types of nonwoven materials. It needs to be looked in to based on the thickness and density of insulation manufactured from cotton and polyester fibres depended on the physical phenomena that occurred during thermal expansion and contraction. Based on the observed value of thermal conductivity ( $= 0.033 \text{ W}\cdot\text{m}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ ) of the recycled textile materials examined, it can be concluded that the chosen nonwovens process were acceptable as a material for thermal insulating purposes [3].

This study looked at how well nonwoven fabrics with various fabric weights, thicknesses, densities, porosities, and air permeabilities were insulated against heat. The nonwovens were primarily chosen because of their minimal weight while producing material for thermal insulated. In these circumstance, the thermal insulation of nonwoven various layers configurations that produce single/double layers was examined. Additionally, the six samples' thermal insulation was examined.

Similar to how nonwovens' weight increases, their heat conductivity also rises. The findings of the thermal insulation measurements indicate that the samples' thermal insulation rises along with the increase in nonwovens' thickness [4]. One of the essential qualities for technological textiles, textile resources applications is the thermal insulation material. The cooling of the fixed temperature approach, the lee's disc methods were further commonly used techniques to estimate thermal insulation values (TIV) [5]. In this study, the qualities of reused cotton and polyester nonwoven were examined. The creating insulation value nonwovens from recycled woven selvedge waste, it is possible to both alleviate the issue of textile waste and improve resource use. The primary objective the research ware to examine the influence of a nonwovens' physical characteristics and the capability of a reused cotton and polyester nonwovens to insulate heat. Additionally, chemically bonded nonwovens produced using recycled cotton and polyester selvedge waste fibres that have undergone performance analysis for thermal insulation [6].

For the sake of this study's applicability in the automobile sector, the ASTM and ISO Standards were used to calculate how thermal insulation affects variables such as thermal conductivity, width, volume, air permeability, and porous. The parameter like fibre Fiber stiffness, elongation, toward every, and micron value present in the polyester and cotton fibres made from selvedge debris that have been recycled were suitable for producing the fibre into nonwovens. The features of chemically bonded non-woven textiles made from recycled cotton/polyester fibre have been thoroughly examined for their ability to provide thermal insulation in automobile applications [7].

For the creation of nonwovens, waste polyester selvedge fibres were employed. In order to create adhesive

bonded nonwoven, there are raw materials for this study cotton and polyester selvedge waste were gathered from the weaving division. Prior to that, mechanical processes were used for sorting and opening. The grinding, opening, and blending machine was used to mechanically transform the selvedge of discarded woven cloth into fibre. The first grinder and opener's rubber conveyor belt were manually loaded with the raw materials to automatically moved the bottom of this spiky rollers. The waste from the selvedge was torn and opened by this roller into fibre form [9].

The sequence of operating operations was used to process the selvedge wastes from the weaving divisions. The wastes were first cleansed because they contained a lot of unwanted elements. The selvedge waste from cotton and polyester was then meticulously separated. Wastes from the weaving process were then put into a grinded machine. Following the fibres are treated a small laboratory carding device to create nonwoven webs. Fibers were blended with cotton and polyester in proportions of 50/50, 75/25, 25/75, and 60/40 cotton and polyester, when producing nonwovens using recycled fibers (R-cotton) and synthetic fibres, respectively (R-polyester). Additionally, 100% cotton and 100% polyester nonwovens were created to compare their levels of thermal insulation [10].

## II. MATERIALS

The materials choose for these fabric such as,

- S1 C - 100% cotton
- S2 P - 100% polyester
- S3 C/P - 50:50 cotton/polyester
- S4 P/C - 75:25 cotton/polyester
- S5 P/C - 25:75 cotton/polyester
- S6 P/C - 60:40 cotton/polyester

### A. Cotton Selvedge Waste:

A cotton selvedge wastes were collected, segregated, and manually cleaned to eliminate non-cotton and colourful elements from the cotton selvedge waste made from cotton threads. These wastes were received from the shuttle-less weaving loom. Using a grinding machine, a cleaning cotton selvedge were stretched into a fibrous state. The photos shown in Figure 1 cleansed cotton threads and leftover cotton selvedge [11].



Fig. 1: Cotton Selvedge waste

### B. Polyester Selvedge Waste:

A polyester selvedge wastes were manually gathered, segregated, and cleaned to eliminate any remaining polyester and coloured components. They were acquired from the shuttle-less weaving loom. The washed Using a grinder,

polyester wastes were broken up into fibrous form. machine. The cleaned and discarded photographs shown in Figure 2 of polyester selvedge the waste from polyester selvedge [12].



Fig. 2: Polyester Selvedge waste

## III. METHODS

### A. Grinding of Textile wastes

The opening and blending equipment provided by Laroche grinding machines is extremely exact, making it a very simple process to recycle the waste materials needed to make technical textiles. Similar to the auto industry, building construction uses thermal insulation. Additionally, textiles are used in a variety of items, including agro textile, large bag, carpet, apparel, furniture, geotextile, net, tarp, towel, combat gear, and others uses [13].

### B. Blending of Recycled Fibers

A small laboratory carding machine was used to combine cotton and polyester in different ratios. the varied ratios of recycled polyester and cotton fibres used in the creation of nonwoven textiles. In order to optimise the web consistency, the fibre mixture was carded four times. Additionally, all measurements were made using an electrical balance in grammes [14].

### C. Web Formation:

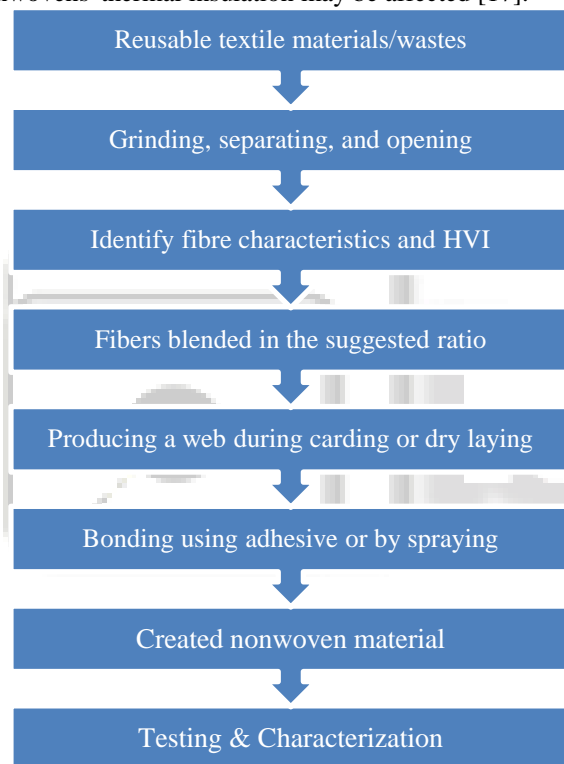
To get carded web, 100% of recycled cottons, 100% of polyesters, and a combination of cotton/polyester fibres were fed into a small laboratory of carding machines. The fibre blending was further opened into separate fibres during the carding process and partly combed to generate parallel fibres. The web homogeneity was improved by the four-carding of the fibre blend. Layers made of various webs are stacked one on top of the other to give the finished nonwoven fabric the necessary thickness [15].

### D. Method of Chemical Bonding:

S.-M. Saaristo addressed chemical bonding process using an adhesive bonding substance that we utilised a bond to web on nonwoven materials. Emulsion polymerization produces polymers, which were used as bonding agents. These binders were typically water-based latexes made from a limited number of components. For a variety of reasons, latex polymers were most frequently utilised. Due to their diversity, latex binders were adaptable and could be discovered as ideal binders for many applications and attributes required. Easy applicability and affordability were other crucial factors [8]. Using compressed air and a spray cannon, fevicol solution manufactured from polyvinyl acetate

was applied towards the inner layer from of the web forming at a consistent pressure and flow.

Using weight on regenerated fibres as a foundation utilising an electronic balance, the manufactured selvedge C/P blend nonwoven samples were made, including 100% of recycled cotton fibres, 100% of recycled polyester fibres, and the various ratio of 50:50 C/P, 75:25 C/P, 25:75 C/P, and 60:40 C/P. The recommended samples for this study range in thickness from 2mm to 4mm, and were designed to assess the thermal insulation quality at 50cm broad and 100cm long. This displays the chemically bonded recycled nonwoven samples that have been created. According to a ASTM and the ISO standard, the physical characteristics for nonwovens that have an impact on width, thickness, solubility, water vapor permeability, & heat capacity of insulation material were tested. The test. Additionally, physical characteristics were examined in order to comprehend how recycled nonwovens' thermal insulation may be affected [17].



#### E. Testing Methods

The physical qualities of the recycled fibres and polyester fibres, such as fibre length, fibre strength, fibre elongation, and fibre micron values, were examined in accordance with the guidelines of HVI. And also evaluated for both physical and thermal resistance qualities such as thickness, stiffness, porous, absorbency, and heat resistance in accordance ASTM & ISO standards were nonwoven samples made derived from polyester and cotton waste fibre and selvedge wastage and the weaving department. The sample manufactured and tested with nonwovens created from recyclable materials. the previously mentioned factors to assess how fibre quality, thickness, porosity, and permeable affect thermal insulation [16].

#### F. Effect on Fabric Thickness

With an increase the volume and depth of the material, as well as the cloth's weight also rise Regardless of the form of a fibre cross section in polyester samples, when fabric weight increases, more fibres are packed into a given area, increasing fabric thickness. Once more, consolidated structure may be easily created as the number of fibres increases. This is because there are more fibres available to become intertwined all through the teasing process to produce a heavier, denser cloth. Regarding each of the two pass shapes of polyester materials, the percentage compression reduces as the fabric weight rises. Similar trends have also been documented by Debnath and Madhusoothanan [21] for textile made of needle-punched polyester that are experience makes and side by side. Because there are more the number of fibres every square inch of cloth fabric weight increases, every fibres are able to share the compressive stress. As the results, a percentage compression decreases as cloth weight increases [18]. Trilobal polyester fabric samples yield the highest thickness, which is nearly equal to the largest percentage compression or lowest density in textiles. Round and hollow polyester samples come in second and third. Due to its surface lobes, which prevent solidified fabric structures at the same needling density, trilobal polyester has a greater surface area. As a result, the trilobal polyester fabric becomes thicker and less dense [19]. Despite the fact that hollow polyester has a significantly bigger surface area than round polyester fibre, textiles manufactured with this fibre offer more cohesive structures than fabrics made with this fibre. This is most likely caused by the hollow fiber's fine denier and hollow fiber's hollow nature. Due to the increased stiffness with hollow polyester fibre, more fixed and stronger than before has a larger density as well as less percentage compression when compared to certain other bend shape polyester samples [20].

#### G. Testing of recycled fibers

The chosen waste fibres were put through their paces using industry-standard test methods for fibre length, smoothness, extension, dimension, and strength. Since the fiber's qualities directly impact its properties, the test was crucial. produced nonwoven fabric. 100% recycled polyester fibres were stored in typical conditions for 24 hours—21°C temperatures and 65% relative humidity—before being tested against 100% recycled cotton. This has been done to prevent findings from varying [25].

#### H. Air Permeability Measurement

According to M. K. Ozturk et al research's air permeability is crucial to applications including filter and thermal and acoustical insulation. We discovered that its air-permeability and fabric GSM were strongly connected. With an increasing in mass per unit area, the air permeability dropped [13]. Nonwoven fabric's air permeability, which is often expressed in terms of  $\text{cm}^3/\text{s}/\text{cm}^2$ , is the quantity of airflow that passes through perpendicular to a specified area of fabric and is modified to get a prescribed air pressure differences between the two fabrics. According to the ISO 9237:1995 testing Method, the nonwovens' airspeed may be determined from the quantity of airflow. And measures were made using a circular piece of fabric 20 cm in diameter with a pressure

differential of 100 pa; the findings were represented in cm<sup>3</sup> per square centimetre by taking the average of four individual measurements. The testing was carried out using the ISO 9237:1995 test procedure Figure 3 [24].



Fig. 3: Air Permeability Testing Machine

#### IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The materials cotton/polyester blends in various mix ratio, six distinct types of nonwoven fabrics were created, each with a different thickness, fabric GSM, and density. The chemical's physicochemical characteristics. Nonwovens made from recycled cotton & polyester selvedge waste are measured, and sample average values are used. According to ASTM and ISO standards, tests were conducted on 100% cotton (S1 C), 100% polyester (S2 P), 50:50 cotton/polyester (S3 C/P), 75:25 cotton/polyester (S4 C/P), 25:75 cotton/polyester (S5 C/P), and 60:40 cotton/polyester (S6 C/P) nonwovens to determine their properties for use in thermal insulation applications. S2P and S3 C/P recycled fibre nonwovens exhibit similar findings in terms an examination of a sample's solubility and air permeability, whereas S1 C, S2P, S3 C/P, S4 C/P, S5 C/P, and S6 C/P exhibit values of 37.67, 28.75, 26.74, 35.27, 33.49, and 39.65 Cm<sup>3</sup> /S/Cm<sup>2</sup>, respectively. The comparison demonstrates that a nonwovens' decreased air permeability is caused by an increase in fibre content. The table shows that when the nonwoven fabric's thickness grows, its weight, relative density, heat capacity, and heat resistance also do likewise.

All of the generated recycled nonwoven samples show higher thermal insulation qualities across the board (50-140° C), it has been noted. The samples' thermal insulation rating at various temperatures. Dimensions of a nonwovens' thickness and density, together with others parameters, had an impact on the thermal insulation. In contrast, recycled materials textile nonwoven samples may demonstrate that when temperature rises, the insulation value of the sample S1C, S2P, S3 C/P, S4C/P, S5C/P, and S6C/P increases. The performance of the nonwovens as a thermal insulator improved at the same time to their thickness did. Therefore, sample S2P and S3C/P exhibit the superior thermal insulation performance in comparison the others.

#### V. CONCLUSION

The best thermal insulation values were found in recycled selvedge waste cotton and polyester nonwovens, with S3C/P and S2P nonwovens insulating more than 75% of heat occurrence (0-150 T ° C). The six various recycled selvedge waste cotton/polyester nonwoven mats of S1C, S2P, S3C/P, S4C/P, S5C/P, and S6C/P were produced and tested for thermal insulation and influencing. The thermal insulation was significantly impacted by the physical characteristics of chemically bonded nonwovens. According to the findings of this study, nonwovens made of 100% polyester and 50/50 C/P fibres perform better in terms of thermal insulation. Through the creation of materials from recycled and natural resources, these cotton and polyester fibers helped to lower costs and support green vehicle projects. ANOVA tests were conducted to examine the statistical significance of the changes using SAS software. P values were assessed to see if the parameters was significantly affected or not. From the results, it is crucial to note that a parameter won't be substantially affected if its p value is more than 0.05 ( $p > 0.05$ ). The findings of this study demonstrate that recycled fibres may be utilised in insulating materials without losing any of their thermal qualities.

Such nonwoven constructions can be utilised as insulation in the furniture, apparel, and automobile sectors.

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