


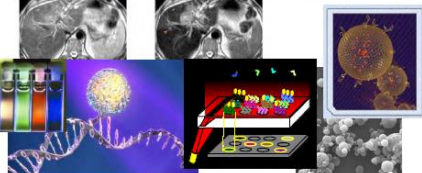


Characterization of Polymer Nano-composites

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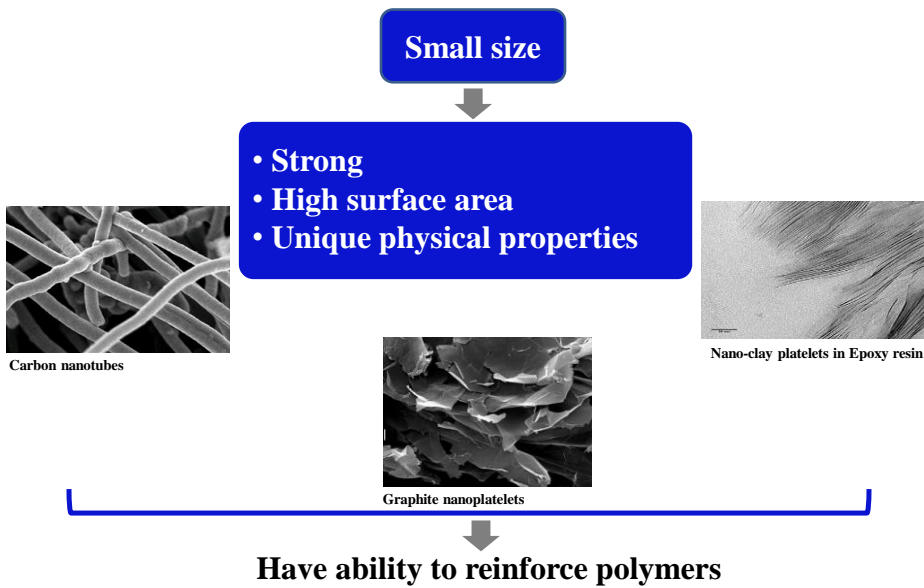
- ۱ • استفاده بی سابقه در کامپوزیت ها
- ۲ • استفاده روز افزون در زمینه های بایو
- ۳ • توسعه فرمالیسیون جدید

Nanotechnology Areas

<p>Nanocomposites</p> <p>Fire retardant plastics: Bayblend FR incorporating nanoparticle</p>  <p>200 nm</p>	<p>Thin Layer and Surfaces</p> <p>Surface Modification: Scratch Resistance, UV-Protection, Easy-to-Clean Adhesives: Bonding Strength Thermal Stability Processing</p> 
<p>Nanoparticle / - additives</p> <p>Carbon nanotubes – baytubes®</p> <p>Quantendots – Baydots®</p>  <p>20 nm</p>	<p>Nanobiotechnology</p> <p>Liposomes, Diagnostics, Drug Delivery</p> 

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Why Nano-materials?



-www.pflog.org www.materialsri.com. http://www.npl.co.uk
 -www.physik.uni-augsburg.de www.xgsciences.com , www. cna.org;
 -C. Liu, Zhenming Yu, David Neff, Anusa Zhams and Bor Z. Jang, 2010, 10(12)

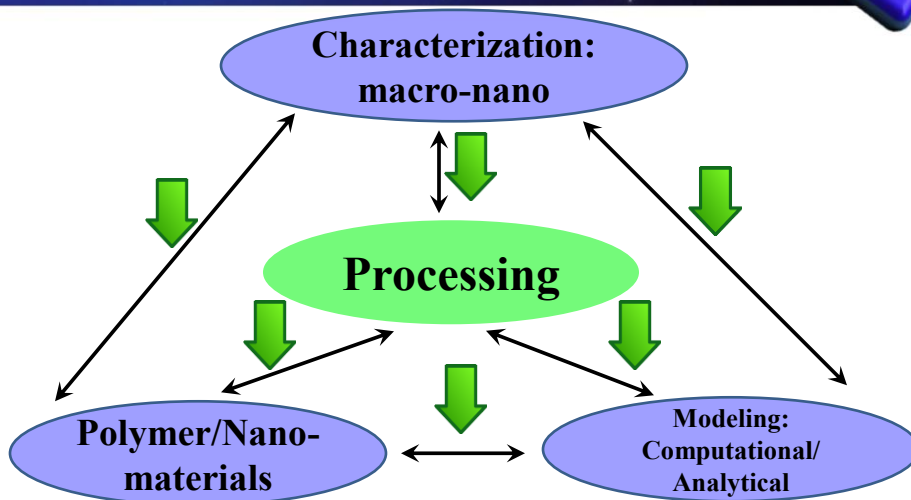
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Big Challenges!

- ۱ عدم شناخت از سیستم های موجود
- ۲ عدم آگاهی از خروجی سیستم ها
- ۳ تفسیر نتایج؟
- ۴ ارتباط منطقی نتایج

Interrelationships & Research







Why composites?



[-http://www.universal-web-design.com](http://www.universal-web-design.com)
 - E. T. Thostenson, C. Li and T.-W. Chou, *Composites Science and Technology* 2005, 65, 491-516

How to Beat Polymers?

			
Thermal Analysis	Thermophysics	Calorimetry	Services
Changes in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dimension ▪ Mass ▪ Phase transitions ▪ Enthalpies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Thermal conductivity ▪ Specific heat ▪ Thermal expansion coefficient 	Analysis of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Degradation and reactions ▪ Temperature ▪ Dissipated heat ▪ Pressure curve 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Contract measurements ▪ Seminars ▪ Trainings ▪ Maintainance

What is Rheology ?

- The science of flow and deformation of matter.
- Rheology: the study of stress-deformation relationships.

What is a Rheometer?

An instrument that measures both **viscosity** and **viscoelasticity** of fluids, semi-solids and solids

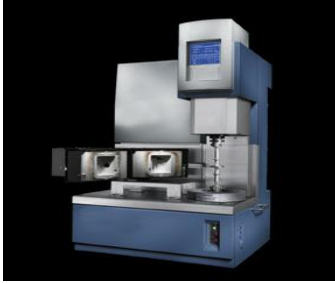
It provides following information about the material's:

1. **Viscosity** (which is the function of shear rate or stress, time & temperature dependence)
2. **Viscoelastic properties** (G' , G'' , $\tan \delta$) with respect to time, temperature, frequency & stress/strain
3. **Transient response** (relaxation modulus, creep compliance, creep recovery)

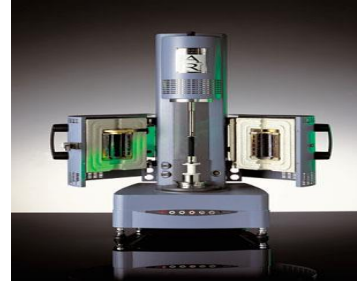
Types of Rheometers

- **Rotational** (Shear) Rheometers
 - ARES (Strain Control – SMT)
 - AR (Stress Control – CMT)
- **Solids** (Tensile/Bending) Rheometers
 - RSA (Strain Control – SMT)
 - DMA Q800 (Stress Control – CMT)

Rheometers



ARES SERIES
(SMT)



AR SERIES
(CMT)



Thermal Analysis of Materials

- **Polymers** (Thermoplastics, thermosets, Elastomers, Polymer blends, copolymers).
- **Foodstuffs** and **Pharmaceuticals**
- **Inorganic** (Minerals & Clays)
- **Ceramics, metals** and **Alloys**.
- **Petroleum** derived products (fuels, greases, Lubricating oils).

ACRONYMS

- **DSC: Differential Scanning Calorimetry**
- **TGA: Thermo Gravimetric Analyzer**
- **SDT: Simultaneous Differential Thermal Analyzer**
- **DMA: Dynamic Mechanical Analyzer**
- **TMA: Thermo Mechanical Analyzer**

Thermal Analysis of Materials Reveals

- **Low energy Transitions (β , γ , Coefficients): DMA**
- **Glass transitions (T_g): DSC, TMA, DMA**
- **Softening: TMA, DSC, DMA**
- **Melting: DSC, TMA, DMA**

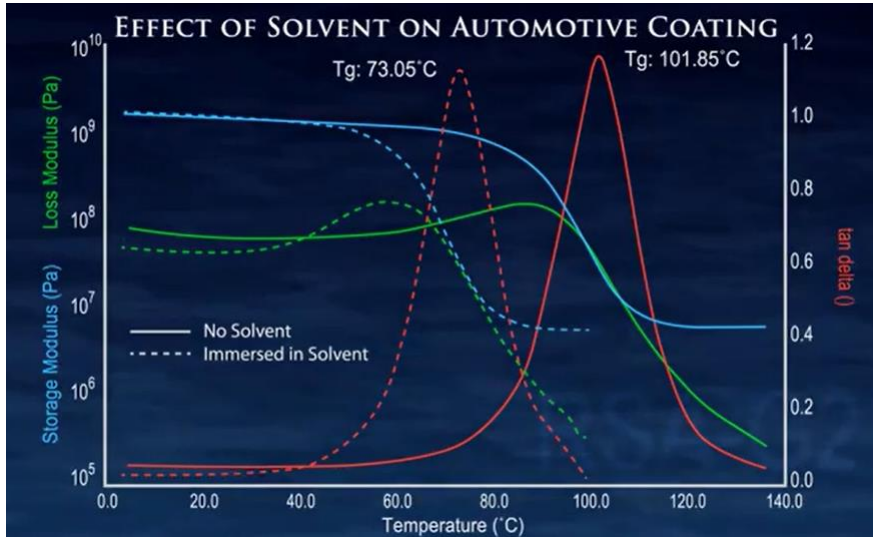
Thermal Analysis Measurements

- **Heat flow and heat capacity: DSC, MDSC**
- **Weight change: TGA**
- **Dimension changes: TMA**
- **Modulus and damping: DMA**

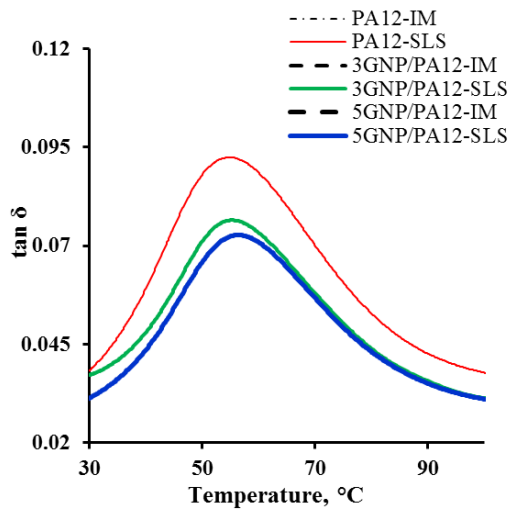
Thermal Analysis of Materials Reveals

- **Re-ordering (Curing): DSC, TMA, DMA**
- **Thermal/Oxidative stability & weight change: TGA**

Another Easy Method?



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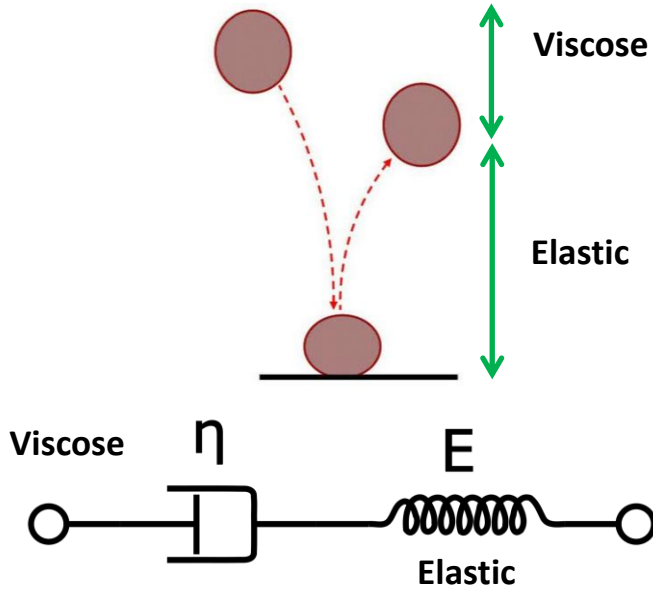
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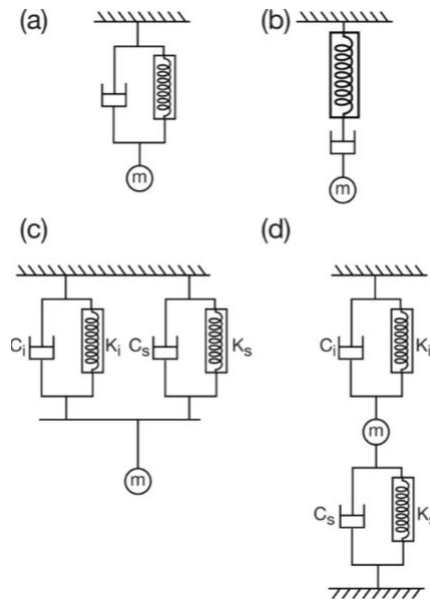
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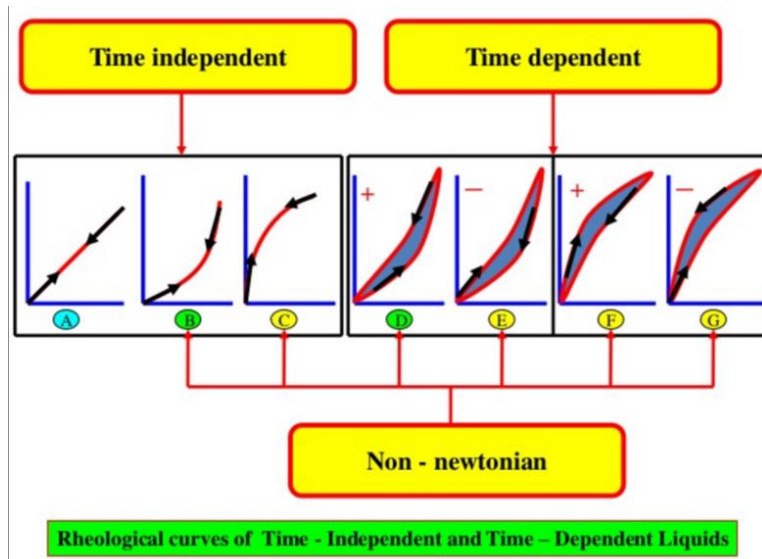
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Rheological Curves



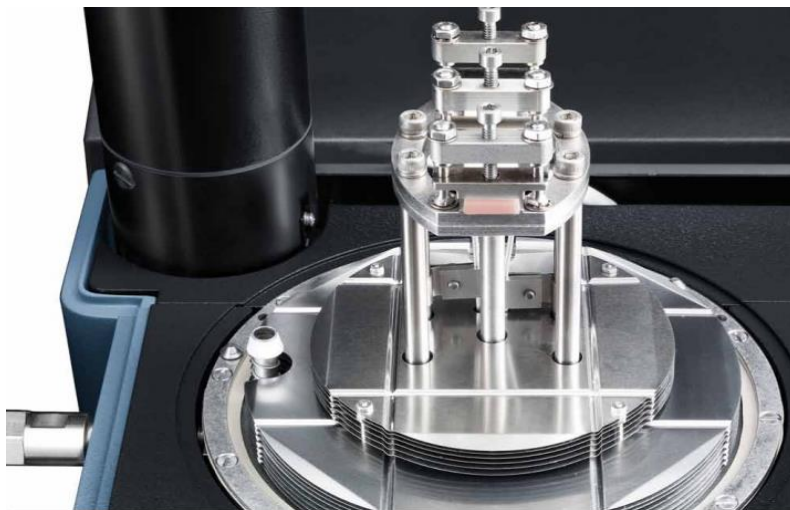
Actual Example: Foams



Dynamic Mechanical Analysis (DMA)



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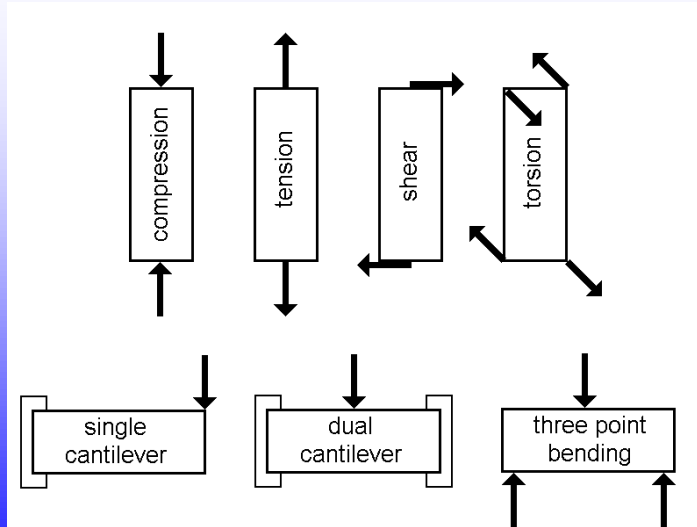
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- [DMA 1](#)
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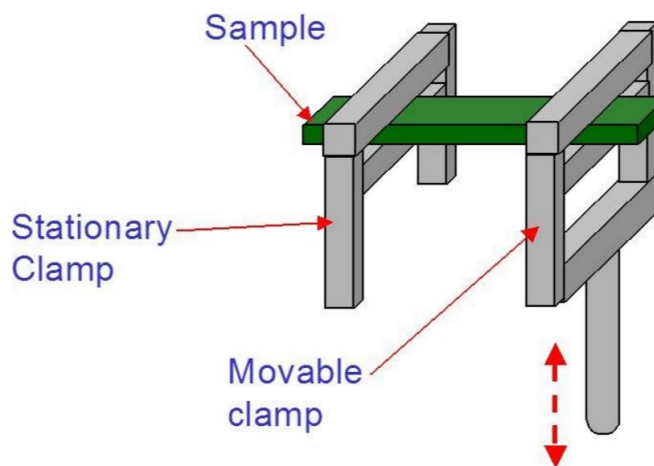
Dynamic mechanical analysis

- **Dynamic mechanical analysis (DMA): viscoelastic** behavior of polymers.
- A sinusoidal stress is applied and the strain in the material is measured, allowing one to determine the modulus.
- The temperature of the sample or the frequency of the stress are often varied, leading to variations in the modulus.
- This approach can be used to locate the **glass transition temperature** of the material.

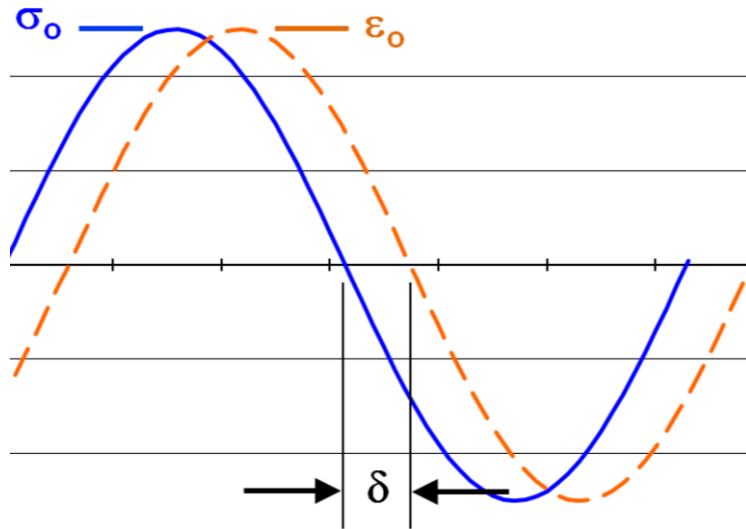
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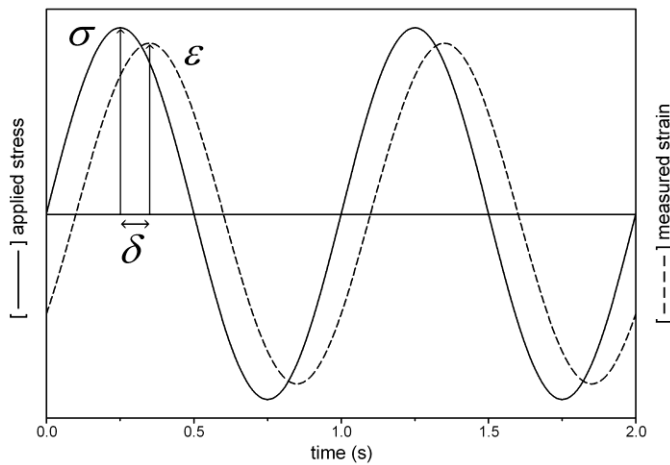
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Phase Lag: A Measure of Damping



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DMA: E' and E''

- DMA: **stiffness** and **damping**, these are reported as **modulus** and **tan delta**.
- Modulus can be expressed as;
 - in-phase: the storage modulus (**E'**) and
 - out of phase: the loss modulus (**E''**)
- **Storage modulus (E')** is a measure of elastic response of a material. It measures the stored energy.
- **Loss modulus (E'')** is a measure of viscous response. It measures the energy dissipated as heat.

DMA: E' and E''

Tan delta is the ratio of loss to the storage and is called damping.

$$\tan \delta = E''/E'$$

E'' = storage modulus

E' = loss modulus

- Basically tan delta can be used to characterize the modulus of the material.
- Delta should range between 0° and 90° and as delta approaches 0° it also approaches a purely elastic behavior.
- As delta approached 90° the material approaches a purely viscous behavior.

Some part of the applied load is dissipated by the energy dissipation mechanisms (such as segmental motions) in the bulk of polymer , and other part of the load is stored in the material and will be release upon removal of the load (such as the elastic response of a spring!).

- **Increasing** Tan delta indicates that your material has more energy dissipation potential so the greater the Tan delta, the more dissipative your material is.
- **Decreasing** Tan delta means that your material acts more elastic now and by applying a load, it has more potential to store the load rather than dissipating it!

For example, in case of **nano-composites** (and filled polymers), increasing the nano-particle content diminishes the value of Tan delta as nano-particles impose restrictions against molecular motion of polymer chains (due to the adsorption of polymer chain on the surface of the particles) resulting in more elastic response of the material.

Experimental Determination of the vol% of Amorphous Interphase



Approach: The ratio of the dissipated energy ➡ The fraction of amorphous mobile segments, hence^{1,2}

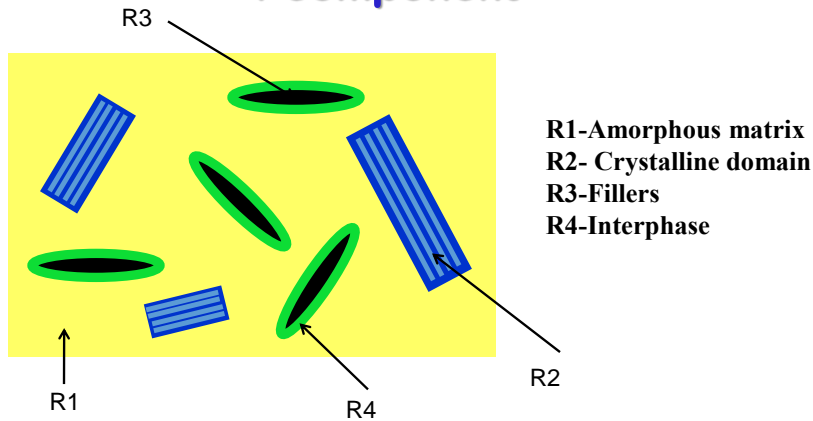
$$C = 1 - \frac{W}{W_0}(1 - C_0) \quad (1) \quad W = \frac{\pi \tan \delta}{\pi \tan \delta + 1} \quad (2)$$

where C is fraction of constrained chains, W and W_0 the energy loss ratios of the composite and neat polymer from DMA; C_0 the degree of crystallinity in pure polymer

[1] J. Kalfus and J. Jancar, *Polymer* **2007**, *48*, 3935-3937.

[2] Kojima Y, Usuki A, Kawasumi M, Okada A, et. al., *Journal of Materials Research(USA)*. 1993;8:1185-1189.

Composite system 4-component



- Addition of fillers has nucleating effect and generates small crystallites with tremendous surface area.
- Better dispersion of fillers pronounces this effect.

Constrained Fraction

- In liner viscoelastic regime, the relationship among E' , E'' and the energy loss fraction can be expressed as:

$$W = \frac{\pi E''}{\pi E'' + E'} = \frac{\pi \cdot \tan \delta}{\pi \cdot \tan \delta + 1}$$

- This energy loss is directly proportional to the fraction of amorphous matrix, α :

$$W \propto \alpha$$

$$\alpha + C = 1$$

- $\alpha = R1$, $C = R4 + R2$

- Establishing a reference equation using the concept for the pure polymer, we have:

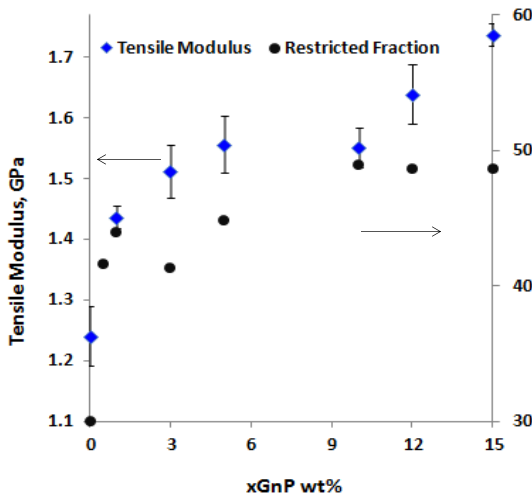
$$W_0 \propto \alpha_0$$

$$\alpha_0 + C_0 = 1$$

Constrained Fraction: Case Study

- Using the ratio of the loss energy values of both the systems, the constrained fraction of the matrix can be calculated:

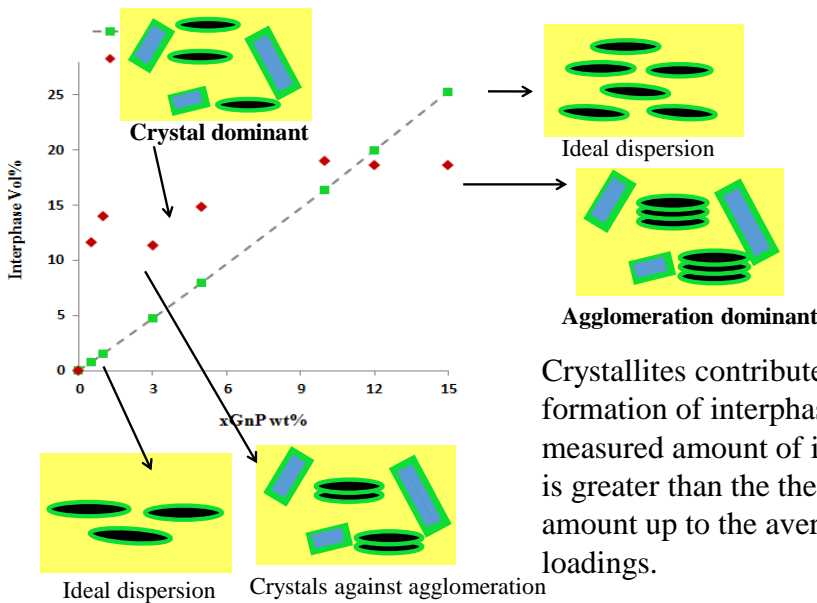
$$C = 1 - \frac{W}{W_0} (1 - C_0)$$



- Increase in C% for the content up to 1 wt%, and then drop in the amount of the constrained region before it grows again

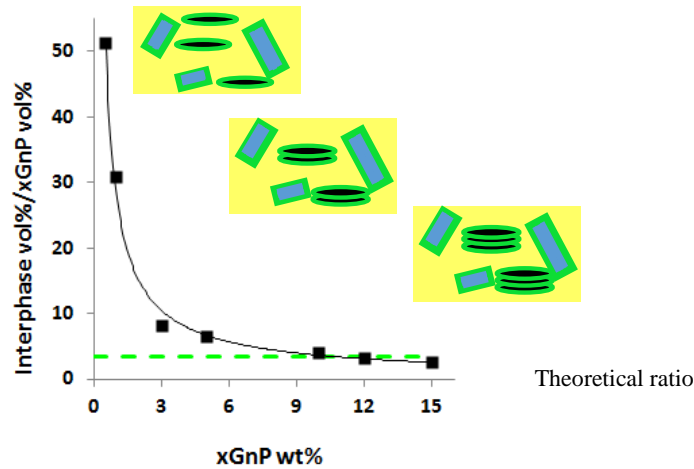
- Initial remarkable shift in modulus and C% coincides

Amorphous Constrained Interphase v.s. Theoretical Interphase

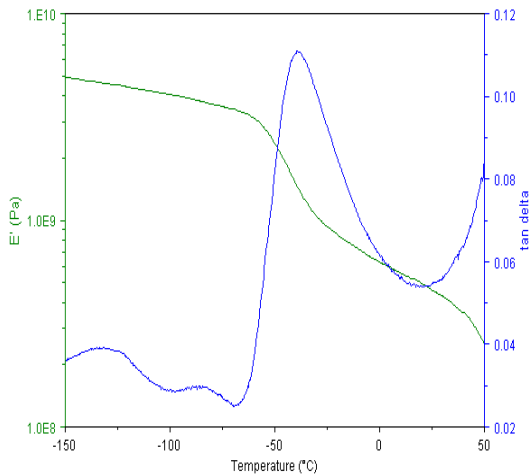


Crystallites contribute to formation of interphase, so the measured amount of interphase is greater than the theoretical amount up to the average loadings.

Interphase/filler Ratio Agglomeration Degree



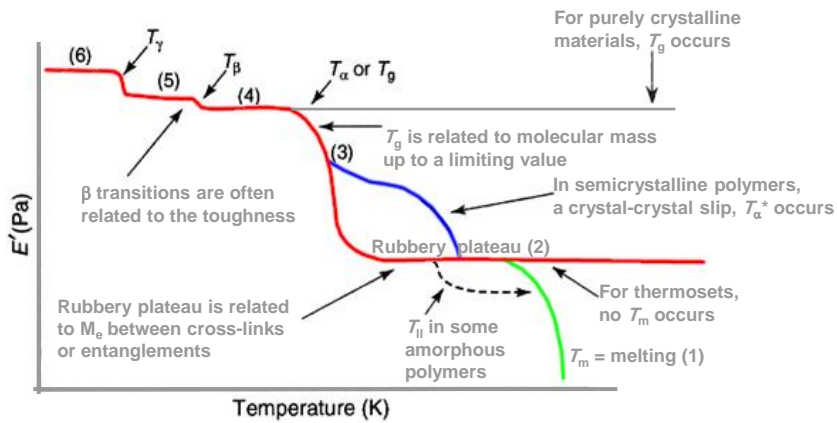
- The ratios lower than the theoretical values indicates presence of severe agglomeration.
- Using the actual amount of interphase and geometry of the fillers, the size of agglomerates can be estimated by defining their aspect ratio .



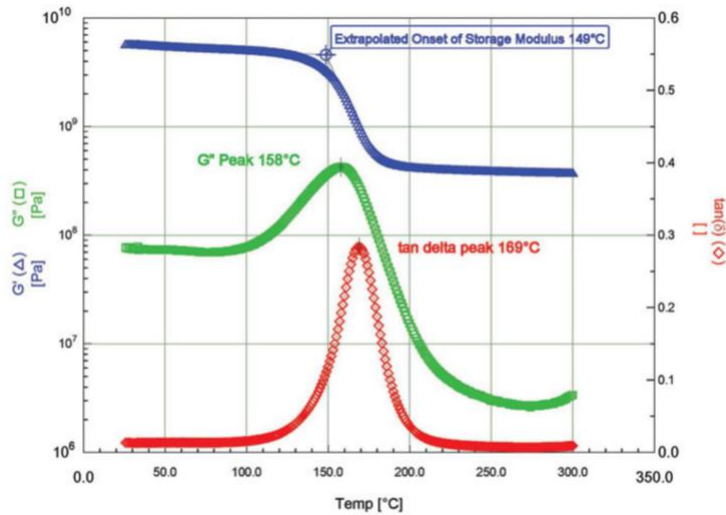
For example, the DMA curve of polycaprolactone measured at a mechanical vibration frequency of 1 Hz is shown below:

The drop in storage modulus (E') and peak in damping factor (tan delta) between -60 and -30°C is due to the glass transition (T_g) of the amorphous polymer in this semi-crystalline material. Above 50°C the sample begins to melt and flow, thus losing all mechanical integrity. Below the T_g small peaks are evident in the tan delta curve at -80 and -130°C. These are the beta and gamma transitions in this polymer (the glass transition is known also as the alpha transition) and are caused by local motion of the polymer chains as opposed to large scale co-operative motion that accompanies the T_g. These small transitions are very difficult to observe by DSC but are often very important in determining the impact resistance of the polymer.

Typical Behaviour



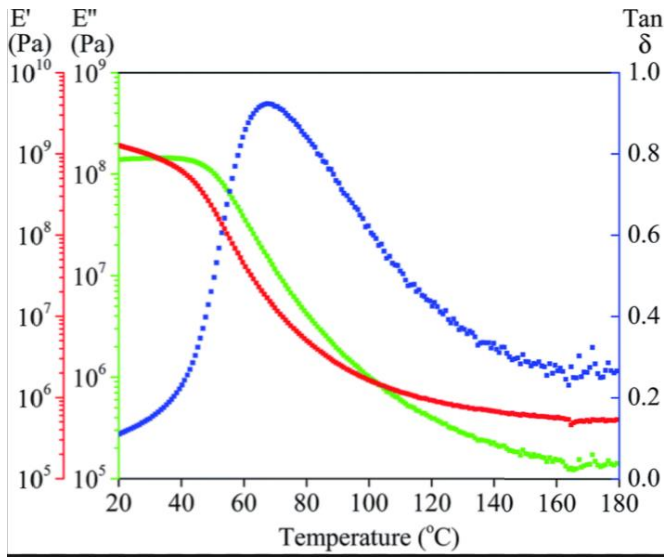
Stress Relief: Decrease in Modulus



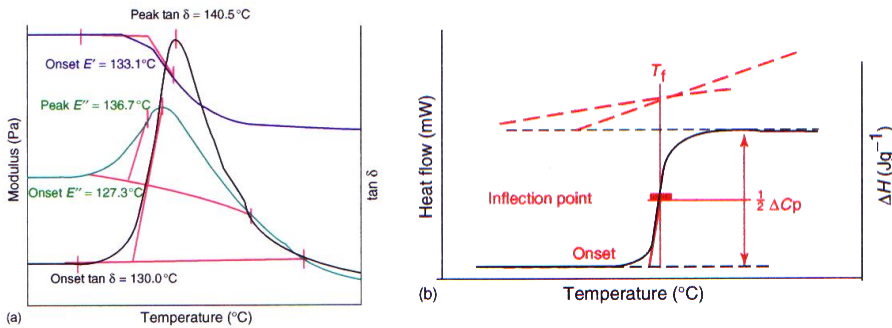
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Stress Relief: Decrease in Modulus



Determination of Tg



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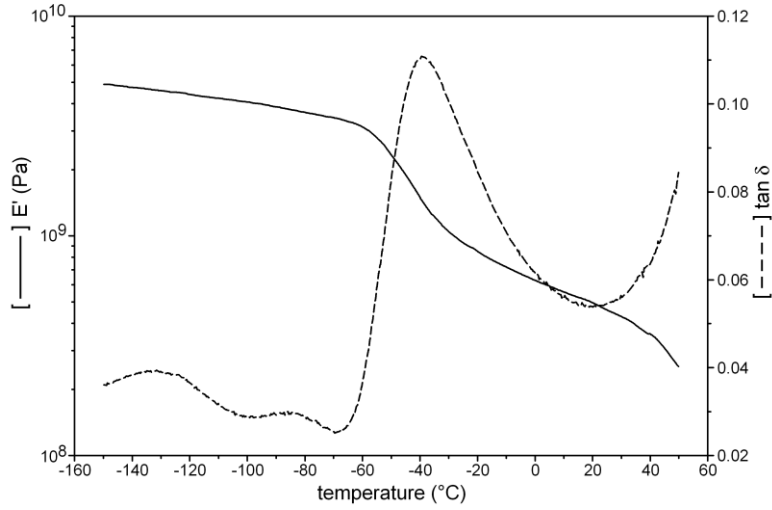
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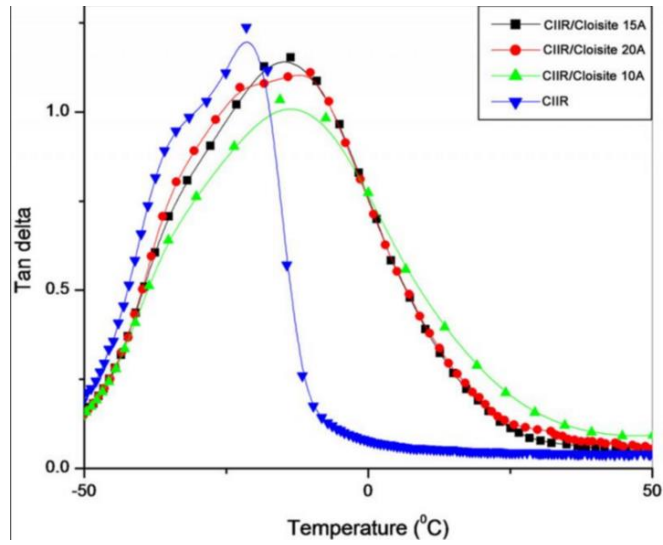
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Polycaprolactone (PCL) Bio-polymer



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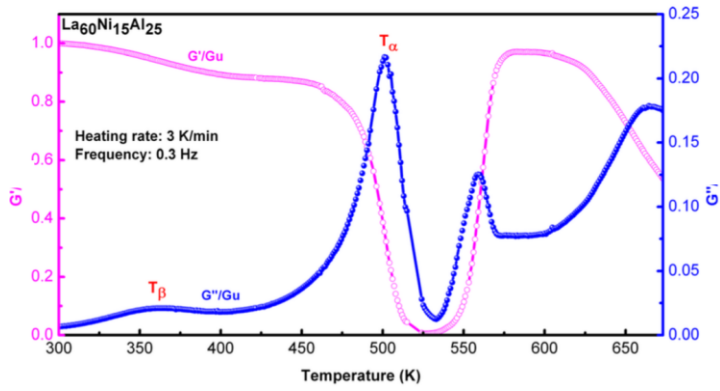
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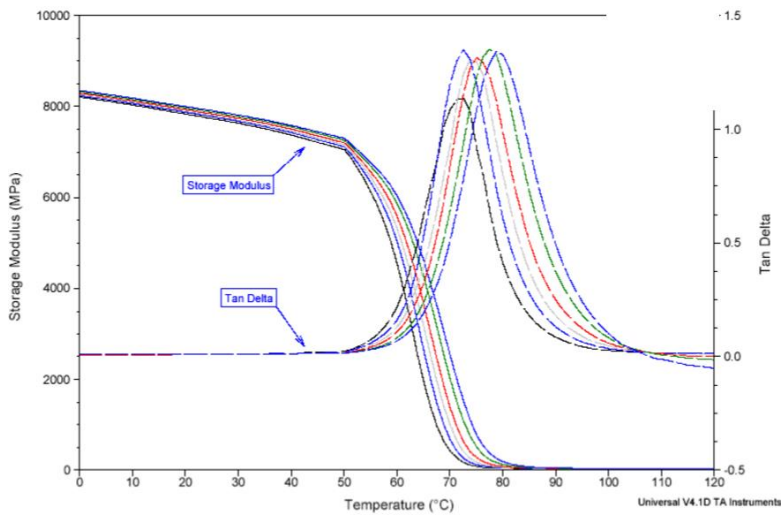
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Loss, Storage Modulus and $\tan \delta$: Nylon



Loss, Storage Modulus and $\tan \delta$: Nano-composites



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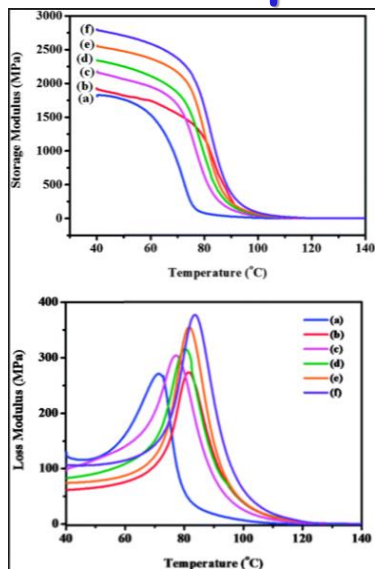
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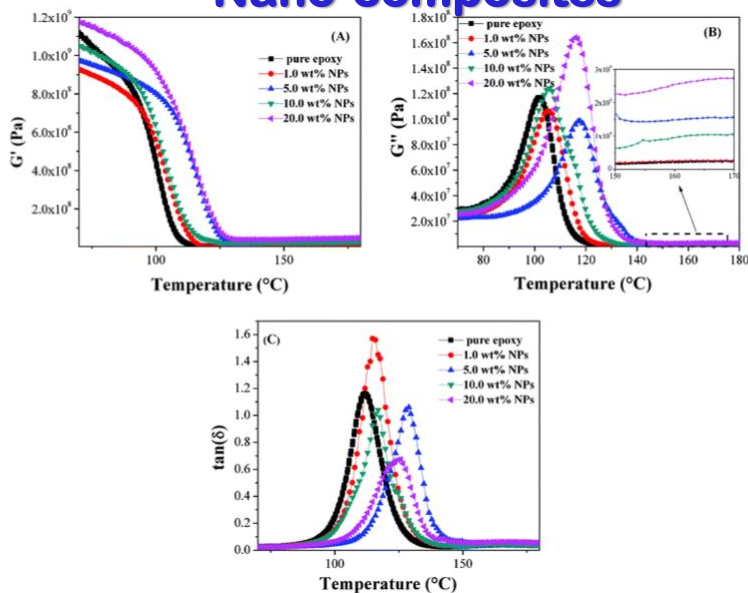
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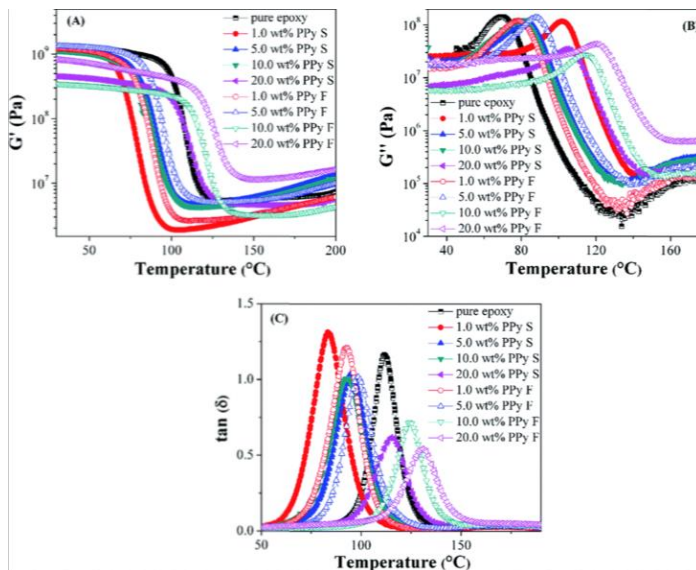
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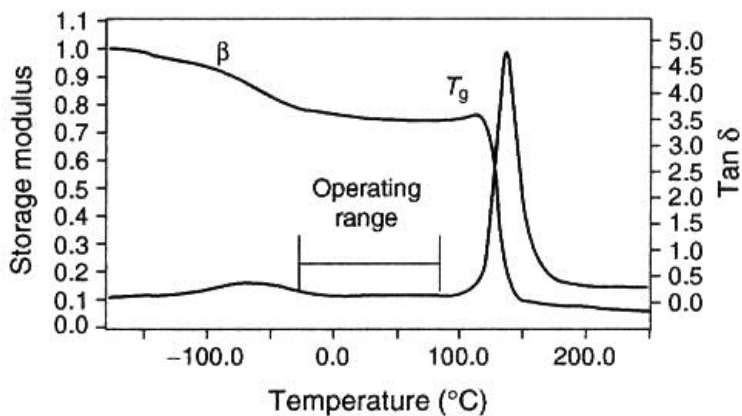
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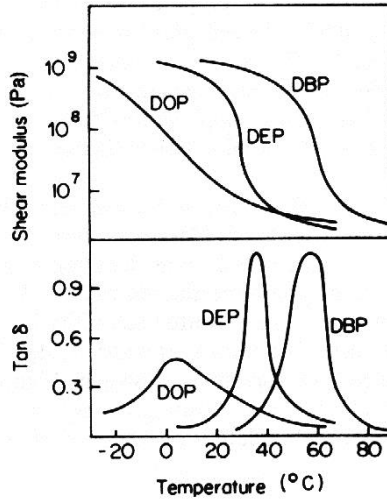
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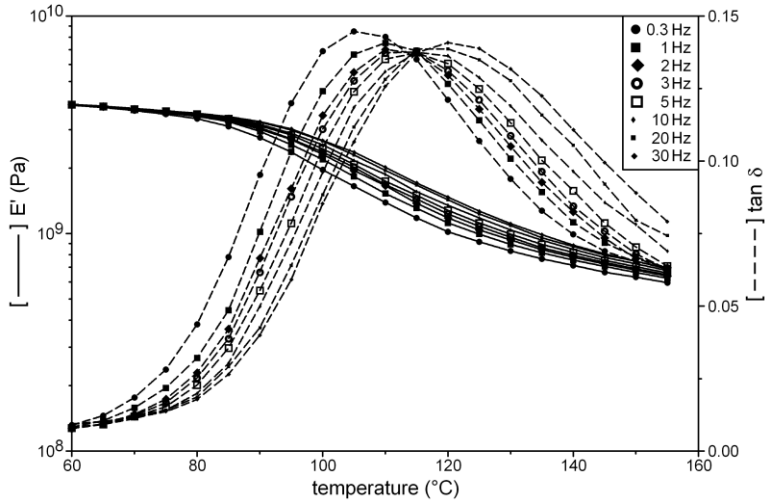
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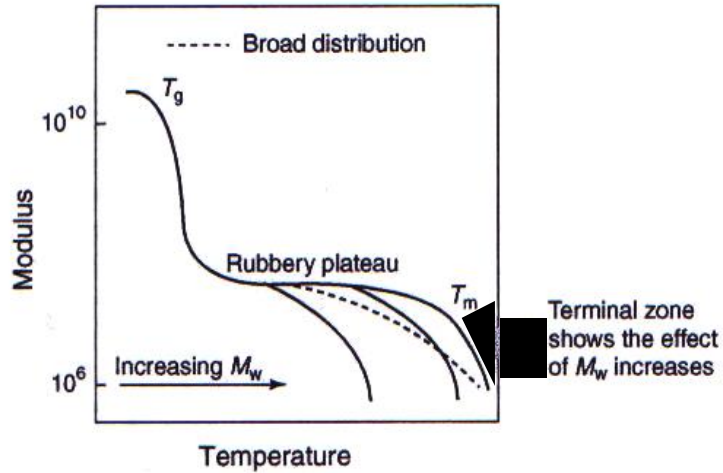
Effect of Plasticiser



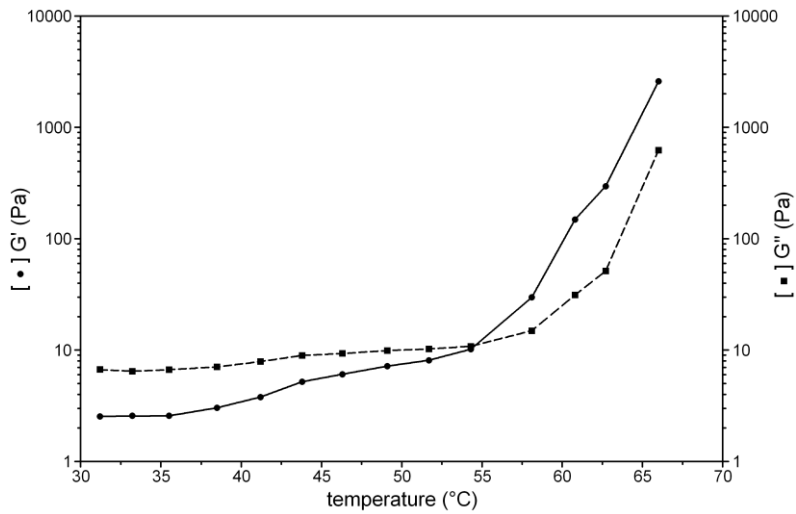
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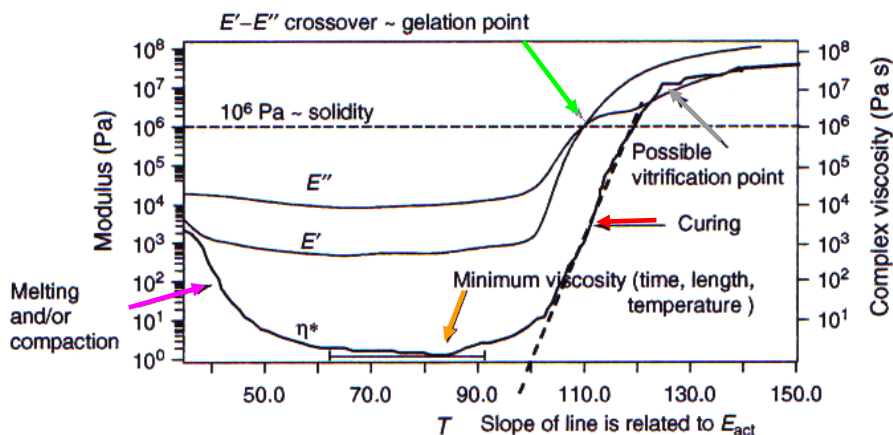
Effect of Molecular Weight



Gellation of Polymer Solution



Thermoset Curing



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جمع بندی

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• فرآیند ساخت نانو کامپوزیت های پلیمری (Processing)

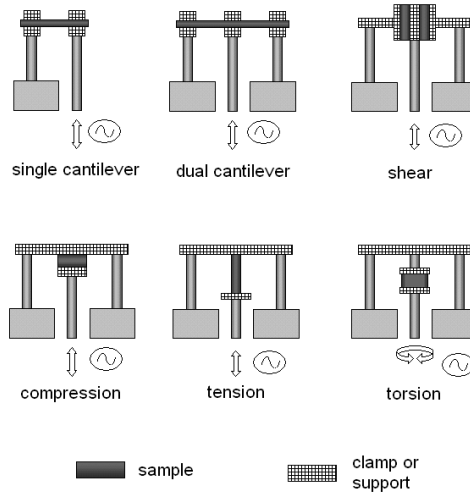
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• مشخصه یابی خواص پلیمرها و نانو کامپوزیت ها (Characterization)

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• DMA مشخصه یابی مکانیکی / حرارتی کامپوزیت ها

Test Configurations

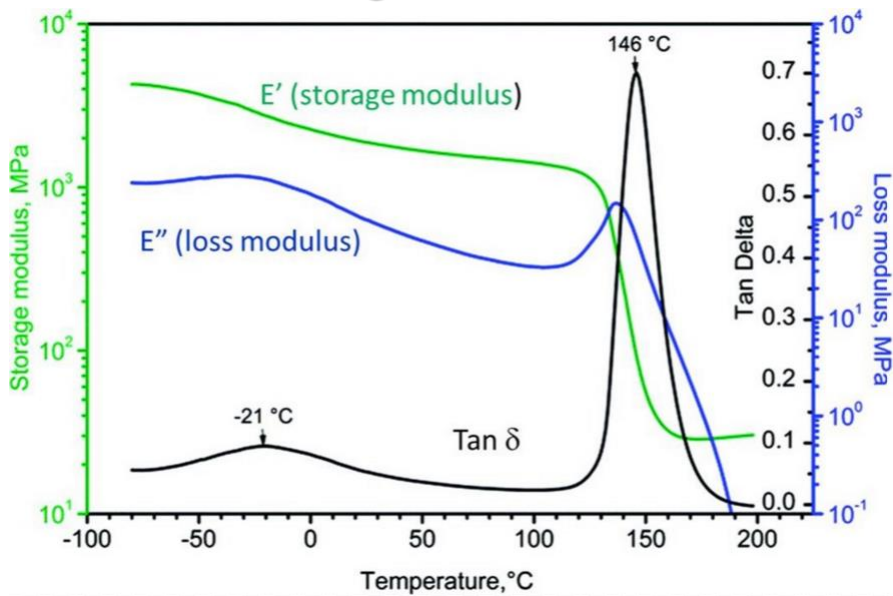


Thermal Analysis Techniques



- **Differential Scanning Calorimeter (DSC)**
- **Thermo-Gravimetric Analysis (TGA)**
- **Dynamic Mechanical Analysis (DMA)**
- **Thermo-Mechanical Analysis (TMA)**

Loss, Storage Modulus and $\tan \delta$



Why Micro/Nano-materials?

