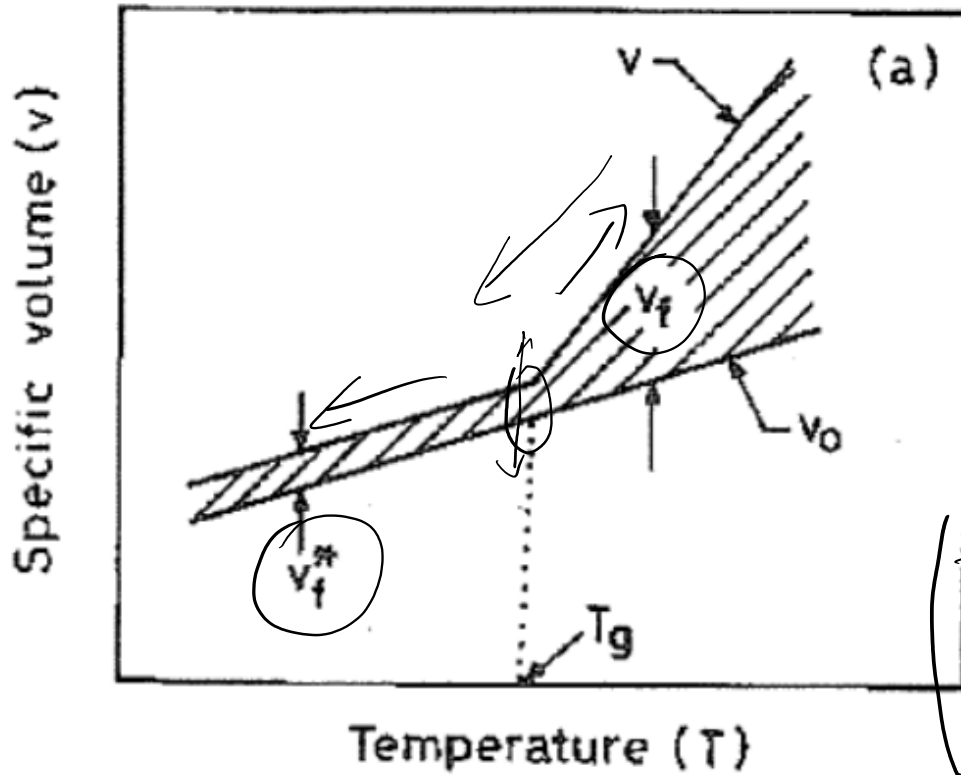


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Lecture 8





$$T_g = T_g^\infty - \frac{K}{M}$$

$$T_g = C_5 - \frac{C_6}{M}$$

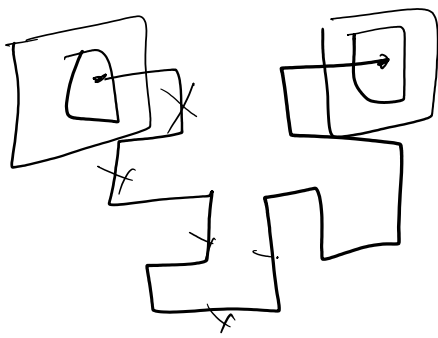
$$V = V_0 + V_f$$

$$T_g = C_g + \frac{C_{10}}{M_c}$$

$$V_f = V_f^* + (T - T_g) \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)$$

$$f_T = f_g + (T - T_g) \alpha_f$$





Effect of Branching on T_g

$$T_g = T_{g,\infty} - K/M$$



In a polymer sample of molecular weight \bar{M}_n and density ρ , the number of chains per unit volume is given by $\rho N_{Av}/\bar{M}_n$, where N_{Av} is Avogadro's number, so the number of chain ends per unit volume is $2\rho N_{Av}/\bar{M}_n$.

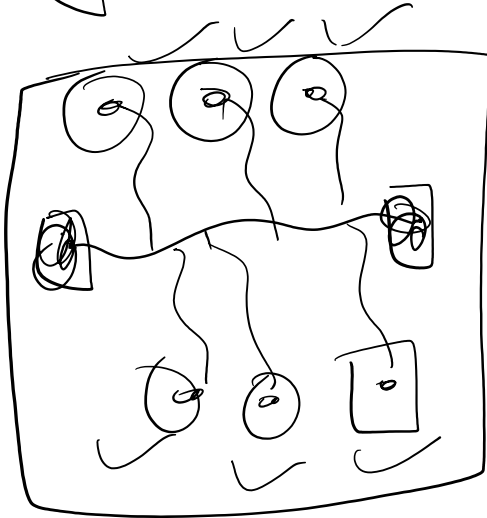
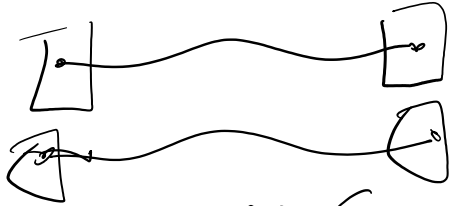
If θ is the contribution of one chain end to the free volume then the total fractional free volume due to all chain ends, f_c , will be given by

$$f_c = 2\rho N_{Av}\theta/\bar{M}_n \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\Leftarrow f_c = \alpha_f (\underline{T_{g,\infty}} - \underline{T_g}) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$



① ② f_c



$$T_g = T_{g,\infty} - \frac{2\rho N_{Av}\theta}{\alpha_f \bar{M}_n}$$

$$T_g = T_g^\infty - \frac{K}{M}$$

$$T_g = T_{g,\infty} - \frac{y\rho N_{Av}\theta}{\alpha_f \bar{M}_n}$$



ACTUAL NO. OF BRANCHES = $y - 2$



RESPONSE TIME

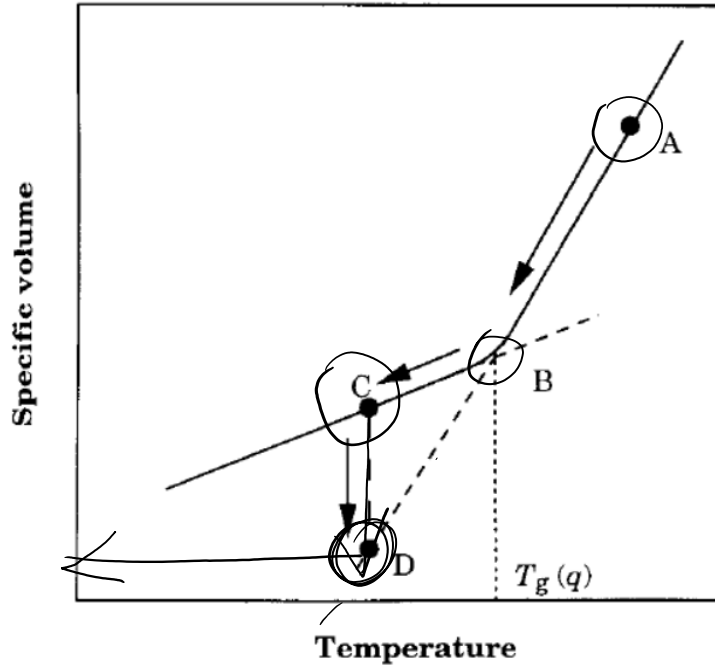
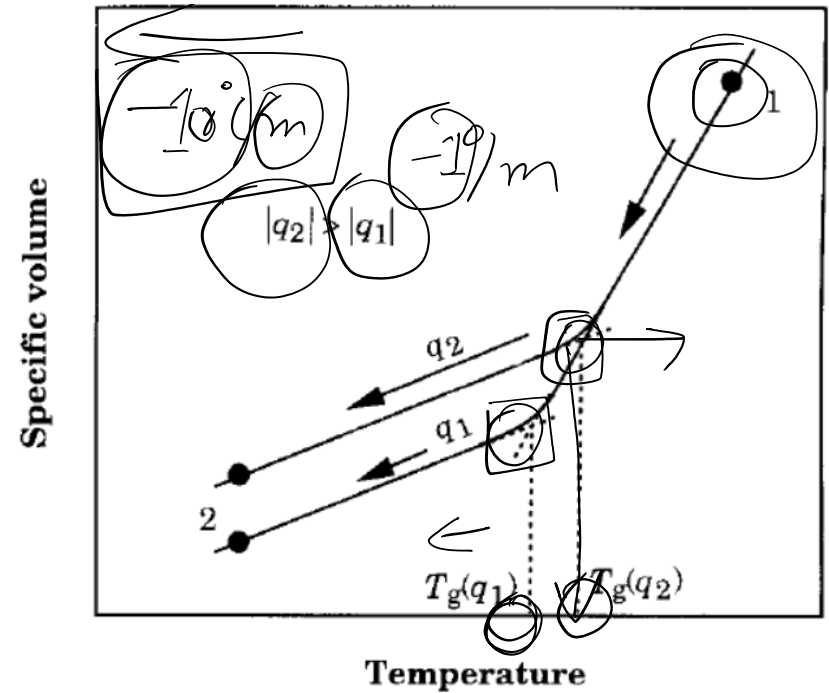
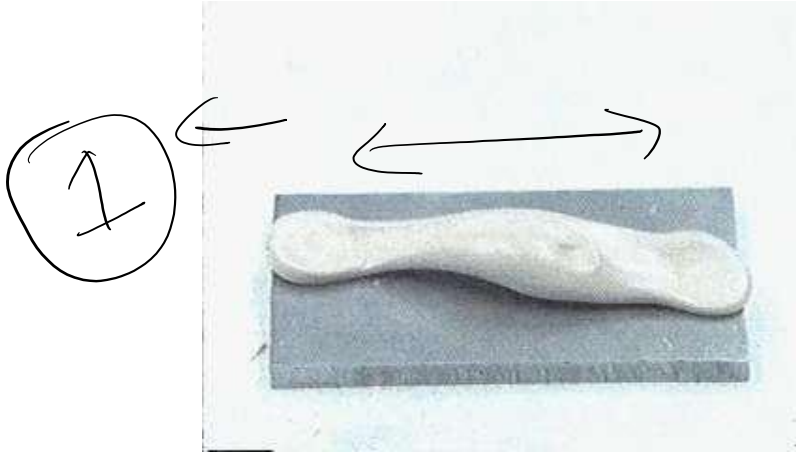


Illustration of the non-equilibrium nature of a glassy polymer.

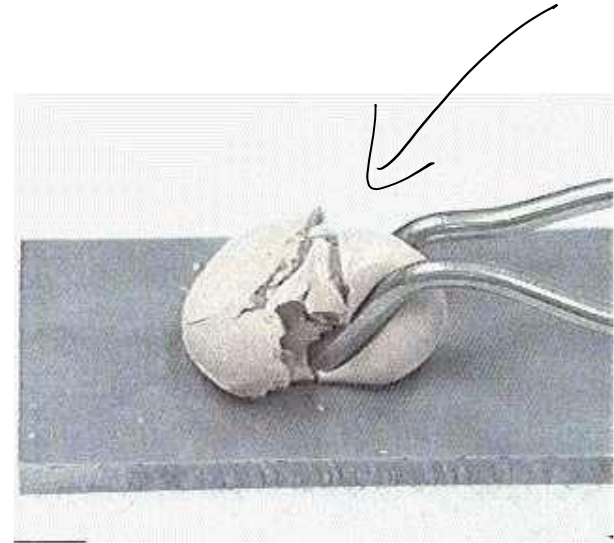
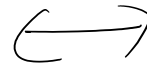
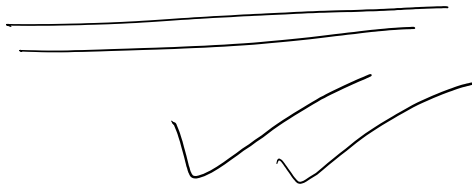


Schematic curves showing the cooling rate dependence of the specific volume of a glass-forming wholly amorphous polymer.

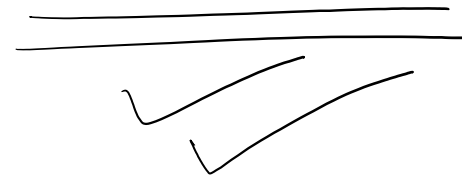




Slowly deformed



Rapidly deformed



Kinetic Theory

Predicts that the glass transition temperature is a purely kinetic phenomenon and that it appears when the response time of the system to reach equilibrium is of the same order as that of the time-scale of experiment.



f \equiv MOBILITY \equiv η

$$\eta = A \exp\left(\frac{B}{f}\right)$$

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$$\log a_T = \frac{C_1(T - T_r)}{C_2 + T - T_r}$$

$$a_T = \frac{\eta_T}{\eta_{T,r}} \approx \frac{\tau_T}{\tau_{T,r}}$$

SHIFT FACTOR

$$T_r \neq T_g$$

$$\log a_T = \frac{-17.44(T - T_g)}{51.6 + T - T_g}$$

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$$\log a_T = \frac{C_1(T - T_r)}{C_2 + T - T_r}$$

$$a_T = \frac{\exp\left(\frac{B}{f}\right)}{\exp\left(\frac{B}{f_r}\right)} = \exp\left(B\left(\frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{f_r}\right)\right)$$

$$\eta = A \exp\left(\frac{B}{f}\right)$$

$$T_r = T_g$$

$$f_r = f_g$$

$$f = f_g + \alpha_f(T - T_g)$$

$$a_T = \exp\left(B\left(\frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{f_g}\right)\right)$$

$$= \exp\left(B\left(\frac{1}{f_g + \alpha_f(T - T_g)} - \frac{1}{f_g}\right)\right)$$

$$= \exp\left(B\left(\frac{-\alpha_f(T - T_g)}{f_g(f_g + \alpha_f(T - T_g))}\right)\right)$$



$$= \exp\left(-\frac{B}{f_g} \left(\frac{\alpha_f(T - T_g)}{f_g + \alpha_f(T - T_g)}\right)\right)$$

$$= \exp\left(\frac{\left[-\frac{B}{f_g}\right](T - T_g)}{\left[\frac{f_g}{\alpha_f}\right] + T - T_g}\right)$$

$$\log a_T \approx \frac{\left[\frac{-B}{2.303 f_g}\right](T - T_g)}{\left[\frac{f_g}{\alpha_f}\right] + T - T_g}$$

2.5%

$$C_1 = -\frac{B}{2.303 f_g} = -17.44 \Rightarrow f_g = 0.025 \quad (B = 1) \quad \checkmark \quad f_g$$

$$C_2 = \frac{f_g}{\alpha_f} = 51.6 \text{ K} \Rightarrow \alpha_f = \frac{f_g}{51.6} = \frac{0.025}{51.6} = 4.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ K}^{-1} \quad \alpha_f$$



WLF

The experimental value of T_g depends on the time or frequency frame of the experiment. Calculate from the WLF equation the change that would be expected in the T_g value if the time frame of an experiment is decreased by a factor of 100.

$$T \rightarrow T_g$$

$$\log a_T = \frac{-17.44(T - T_g)}{51.6 + (T - T_g)} \quad a_T = \frac{1}{100}$$

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow T_g} \left(\frac{\log a_T}{T - T_g} \right) = \frac{-17.44/51.6}{1} = -0.338$$

Since the time frame of experiment is decreased by a factor of 100, the shift factor a_T is 1/100. Therefore,

$$(T - T_g) = \frac{-2.0}{-0.338} \approx 6^\circ\text{K}$$

So the glass transition temperature would be raised by about 6°C . This is in agreement with experiment.

$$\frac{1}{10} \Rightarrow 3^\circ\text{C}$$



