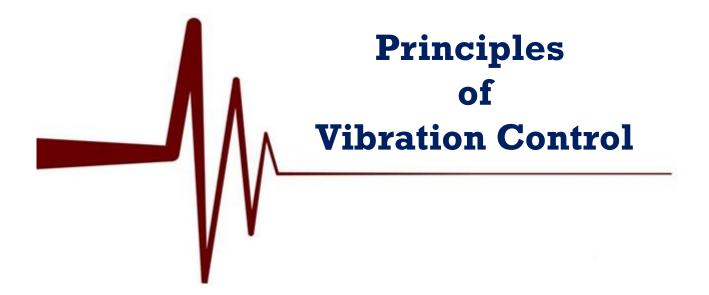
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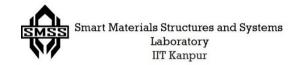


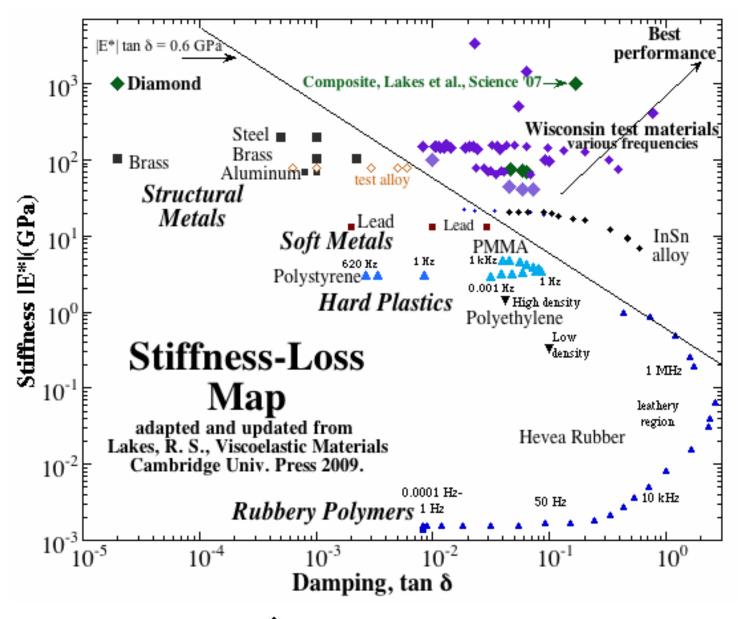
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## Dynamic Mechanical Analysis (DMA)

- Most useful for studying the viscoelastic behavior of polymers.
- A **sinusoidal stress** is applied and the **strain** in the material is measured 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
- Because sinusoidal stress is applied, complex elastic modulus can be expresesed as E\* = E' + jE";
  - ✓ **Storage modulus (E')** Measure of **elastic response** & the stored energy.
  - ✓ Loss modulus (E") Measure of viscous response & the energy dissipated as heat.

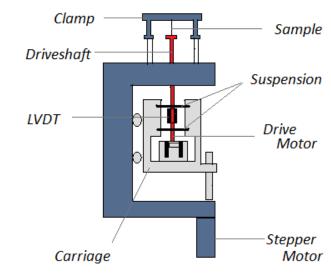
**Stress**, 
$$\sigma(t) = \sigma_0 \sin(\omega t + \delta)$$
  
**Strain**,  $\epsilon(t) = \epsilon_0 \sin\omega t$ 

Pure elastic case, stress is proportional to strain, we have

$$\sigma(t) = E \epsilon(t)$$
 Therefore,  $\sigma_0 \sin(\omega t + \delta) = E\epsilon_0 \sin\omega t$  Hence ,  $\delta = 0$ 

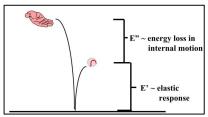
• **Pure Viscous case,** stress is proportional to strain rate, we have

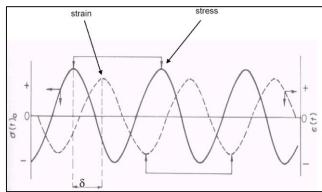
$$\sigma(t) = E \frac{d\epsilon}{dt} \Longrightarrow \sigma_0 \sin(\omega t + \delta) = E\epsilon_0 \cos\omega t \Longrightarrow \delta = \pi/2$$



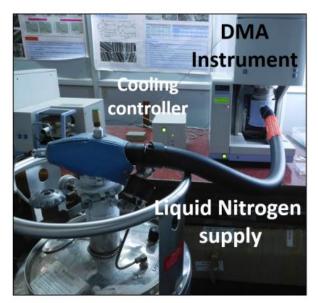
#### **Experiment set-up**

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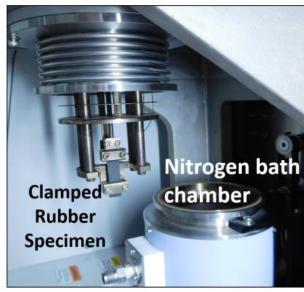




# Dynamic Mechanical Analysis Test Set-up



(a) DMA instrument along with accessories



**(b)** Clamped rubber specimen before placing inside nitrogen bath chamber



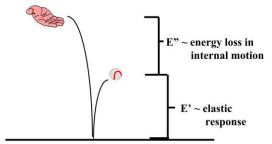
**(c)** Specimen under testing in a controlled atmosphere

$$\tan \delta = \frac{E''}{E'}$$

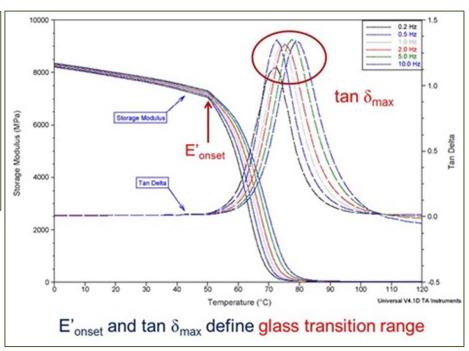
where, E" = Loss modulus (measure of heat dissipated, viscous behavior)
E' = Storage modulus (measure of stored energy, elastic behavior)

 $an\delta$  signifies how good a material will be at absorbing energy.

Loss modulus, 
$$E'' = \frac{\sigma_o}{\epsilon_o} sin\delta$$
  
Storage modulus,  $E' = \frac{\sigma_o}{\epsilon_o} cos\delta$ 



- $\delta$  ranges between 0° 90°.
- As  $\delta$  approaches 0° (Purely elastic behavior).
- As  $\delta$  approaches 90° (Purely viscous behavior).
- At the glass transition, the storage modulus decreases dramatically and the loss modulus reaches a maximum.



The complex Young's modulus E\*

$$E^* = E' + jE''$$

where, E' = Storage modulus (measure of stored energy, elastic behavior) E" = Loss modulus (measure of heat dissipated, viscous behavior)

The loss factor η is expressed as

$$\eta = \tan \delta = \frac{E''}{E'}$$

This signifies how good a material will be at absorbing energy

Hence, 
$$E^* = E'(1+j\eta)$$

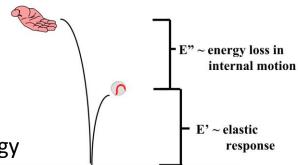
Similarly, the **shear modulus** of VEM  $G^* = G'(1+j\eta)$ 

and the **bulk modulus** of VEM  $B^*=B'(1+j\eta)$ 

The various moduli are interrelated as

$$E^* = \frac{9B^*G^*}{3B^* + G^*}$$





### Viscoelastic material: Frequency & temperature dependence of Shear modulus and Loss factor

