

Simulation of Thermomechanical Couplings of Viscoelastic Materials

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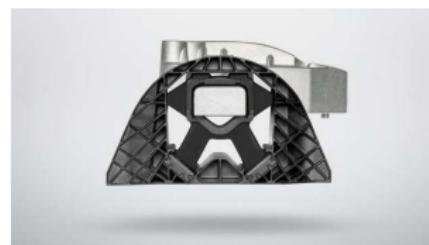
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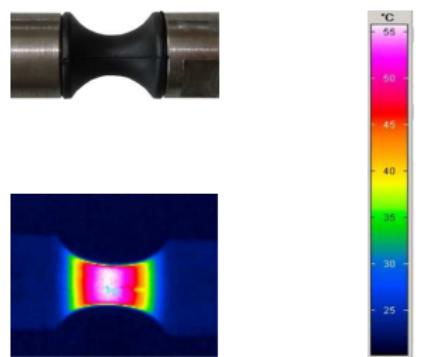
- viscoelastic material behaviour
- glass transition
- aging (physical, chemical)
- Mullins-Effect
- Payne-Effect
- self-heating
- swelling



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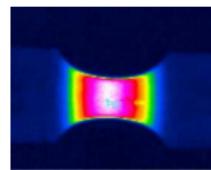
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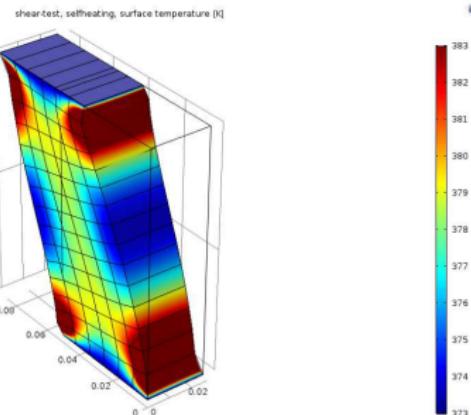


Need to consider self-heating

- temperature influences the whole stress-strain relation
- dynamic mechanical loads cause change in temperature
- complex structures exhibit a complex temperature field

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- finite viscoelastic material behaviour (isothermal)
- coupling between dissipated energy and temperature
- temperature dependent change of material parameters
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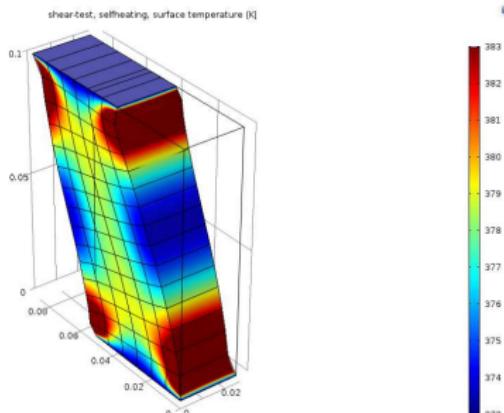
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Our contributions

- model for non-linear viscoelastic materials
- model for heat transfer
- multiphysics coupling thermal expansion
- multiphysics coupling dissipation

following:

- Johlitz 2015
- Dippel 2015
- Dippel and Johlitz 2014



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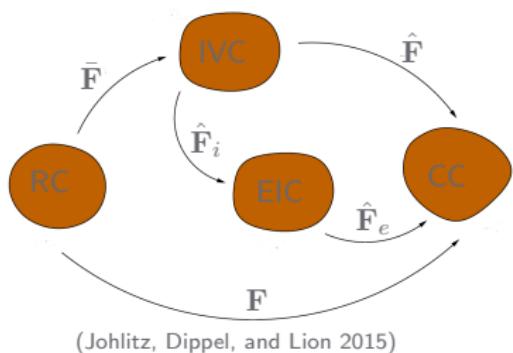
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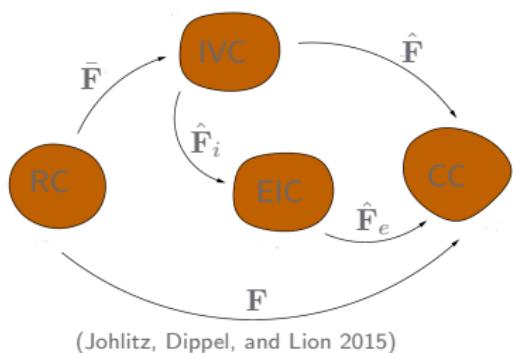
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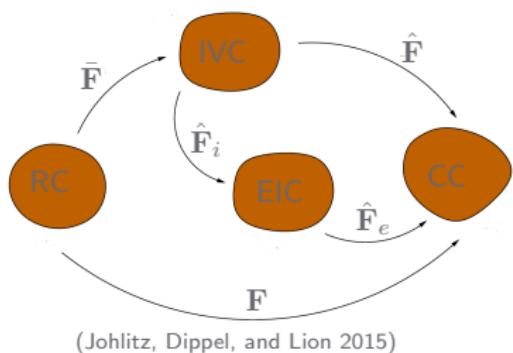
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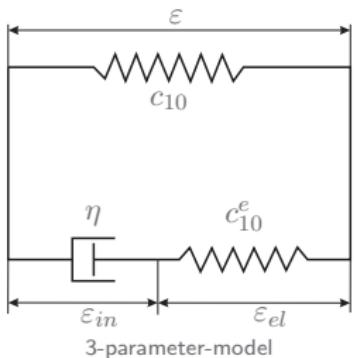
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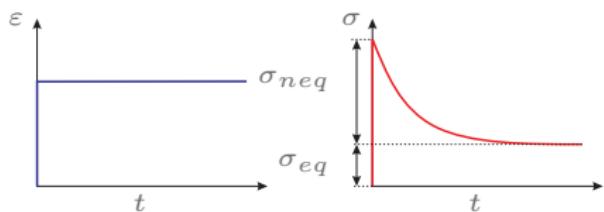
Kinematics

Finite viscoelasticity

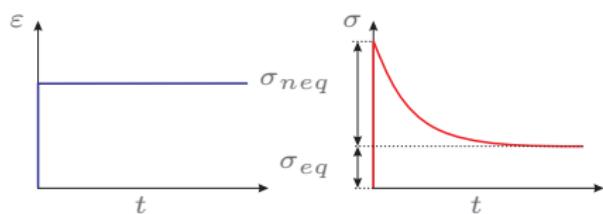
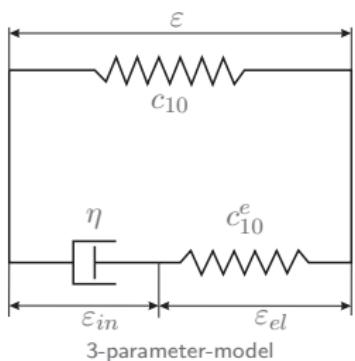


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Elastic-inelastic split of $\hat{\mathbf{F}}$

- elastic part $\hat{\mathbf{F}}_e$
- inelastic part $\hat{\mathbf{F}}_i$
- multiplicative split of the isochoric deformation gradient

$$\hat{\mathbf{F}} = \hat{\mathbf{F}}_e \cdot \hat{\mathbf{F}}_i$$

Entropy balance

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Helmholtz free energy and CDI

$$-\left(p + \rho_0 \frac{\partial \psi_{eq}^{vol}}{\partial J}\right) \dot{J} - \left(\rho_0 s + \rho_0 \frac{\partial \psi_{eq}^{vol}}{\partial \theta}\right) \dot{\theta} - \frac{\mathbf{q}_0}{\theta} \cdot \text{Grad } \theta + \\ \left(\frac{1}{2} J \hat{\mathbf{T}} - \rho_0 \frac{\partial \psi_{eq}^{iso}}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{C}}} - \rho_0 \hat{\mathbf{F}}_i^{-1} \cdot \frac{\partial \psi_{neq}^{iso}}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{C}}_e} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{F}}_i^{-T}\right) : \dot{\hat{\mathbf{C}}} + \rho_0 \frac{\partial \psi_{neq}^{iso}}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{C}}_e} : (\hat{\mathbf{C}}_e \cdot \hat{\mathbf{L}}_i + \hat{\mathbf{L}}_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{C}}_e) \geq 0$$

Material modelling

Approach for Helmholtz free energy density

$$\rho_0 \psi_{eq}^{vol} = \frac{1}{2} K \left[(J - 1)^2 + (\ln J)^2 \right] - K \alpha (J - 1) (\theta - \theta_0) - \rho_0 c(\theta)$$

$$\rho_0 \psi_{eq}^{iso} = c_{10} \left(I_{\hat{G}} - 3 \right)$$

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Evaluation of the constitutive equations

$$p = -K \left[(J - 1) + \frac{\ln J}{J} \right] + K \alpha (\theta - \theta_0)$$

$$s = \frac{1}{\rho_0} \left(K \alpha (J - 1) + \rho_0 \frac{\partial c(\theta)}{\partial \theta} \right)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{T}} = 2 J^{-1} c_{10} \mathbf{I} + 2 J^{-1} c_{10}^e \hat{\mathbf{C}}_i^{-1} - \frac{2}{3} J^{-1} \left(c_{10} \operatorname{tr} \hat{\mathbf{C}} + c_{10}^e \operatorname{tr} \hat{\mathbf{C}}_e \right) \hat{\mathbf{C}}^{-1}$$

Final equations

2nd Piola-Kirchhoff stress tensor

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Evolution equation

$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{C}}}_i = \frac{2 c_{10}^e}{\eta(\theta)} \left(\hat{\mathbf{C}} - \frac{1}{3} \text{tr} \left(\hat{\mathbf{C}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{C}}_i^{-1} \right) \hat{\mathbf{C}}_i \right)$$

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Williams-Landel-Ferry equation (WLF)

$$\eta(\theta) = \eta_0 \exp \left(-\frac{C_1(\theta - \theta_G)}{C_2 + \theta - \theta_G} \right)$$

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▼ Hyperelasticity

Neo-Hooke-Parameter:
 G_{10} : 0.25[MPa] Pa

bulk modulus:
 K : 250[MPa] Pa

Incompressibility:
Penalty Formulation

Number of Maxwell-Elements:
 N_{maxwell} : 2 Maxwell-Elements

▼ Material Parameter 1. Maxwell-Element

1. relaxation time:
 r_1 : 3 s

3. stiffness parameter:
 C_{rel} : 0.05[MPa] Pa

▼ Material Parameter 2. Maxwell-Element

2. relaxation time:
 r_2 : 30 s

2. stiffness parameter:
 C_{rel} : 0.05[MPa] Pa

Domain feature: Finite Viscoelasticity 1

- equilibrium part: Neo-Hooke
- incompressibility:
 - Penalty-Formulation
 - Lagrange-Formulation
- number of Maxwell-Elements (0-5)

Thermal behaviour

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Domain feature: Heat Transfer 1

- Fourier heat transfer

Multiphysics coupling

Couplings

Multiphysics coupling: Thermal Expansion

- coupling of:
 - Finite Viscoelasticity
 - Heat-Transfer
- thermal expansion coefficient

↳ Multiphysics
↳ Dissipation 1 (*dissip1*)
↳ Thermal Expansion 1 (*thermexp1*)

Reference temperature:
 θ_{ref} 293 K
Coefficient of thermal expansion:
 α 0.212 1/K

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Reference temperature:
 $\theta_0 = 200$ K
Coefficient of thermal expansion:
 $\alpha = 0.12$ 1/K

Glas transition temperature:
 $\theta_0 = 240$ K

Maxwell element Dissipation

Maxwell element 1st WLF-Parameter:
 $C_1^1 = 17.5$ 1

Maxwell element 2nd WLF-Parameter:
 $C_2^1 = 52$ K

Coupled Interfaces

Mechanical behaviour:
Finite Viscoelasticity (FiniteViskoE3d)

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Multiphysics coupling: Dissipation

- self-heating
- WLF-Parameters for each Maxwell-Element
- could be combined with thermal expansion

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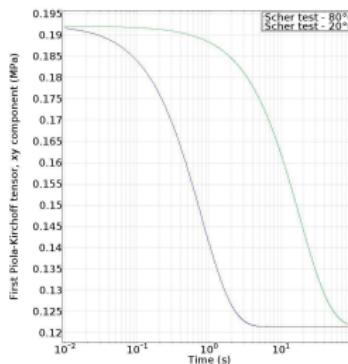
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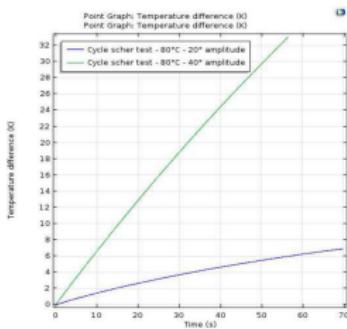
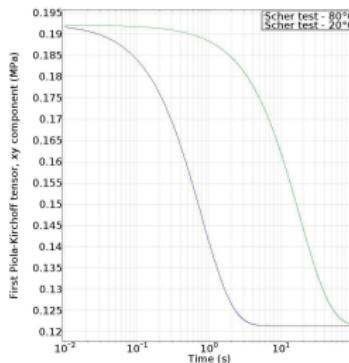
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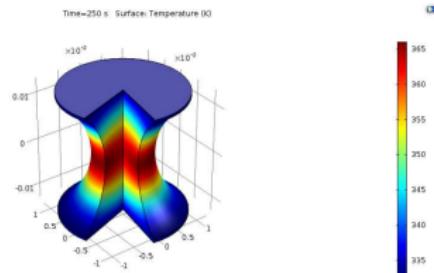
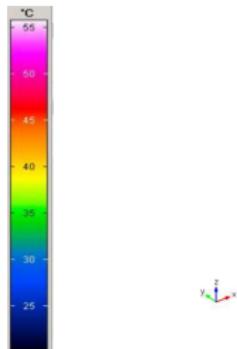
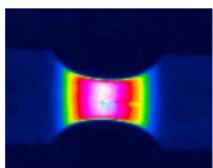


Dynamic shear test

- shear angle 20° and 40° (amplitude)
- sinus cycle with 4 Hz frequency
- temperature 363 K
- chosen academic material parameters

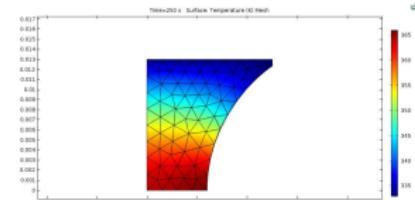
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Cyclic deformation of an hourglass sample



Cyclic test of an hourglass sample

- tension 6 mm
- sinus cycle with 4 Hz frequency (tension only)
- temperature 333 K
- chosen academic material parameters
- material parameters could be identified by DMA experiment



Conclusions

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- a model for finite viscoelastic material behaviour is proposed and implemented
- temperature dependence of mechanical behaviour is guaranteed by WLF-approach for the relaxation times
- coupling of dissipated mechanical energy and temperature field
- coupling temperature and volumetric expansion
- modular setup leads to flexibility in application

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