

Validation of a Viscoelastic Model for Foam Encapsulated Component Response Over a Wide Temperature Range

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Overview

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Validation Strategy

Foam/Component Mechanical Modeling

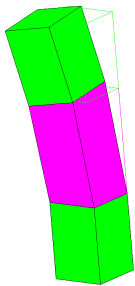
Rigid Epoxy Foam, 20 lbs/ft³ density



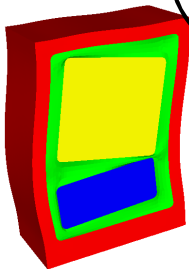
DMA Constitutive Test Articles

- 1) Rm Temperature
- 2) Full Temp Range

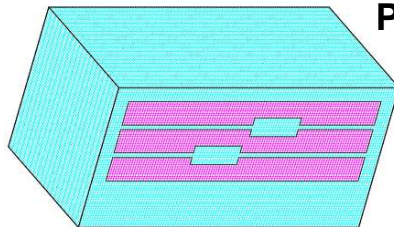
Phase I Test



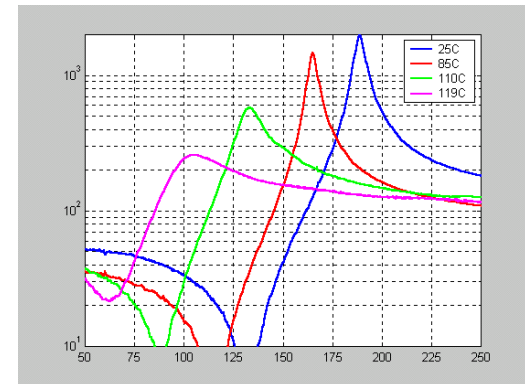
Phase II



Phase III

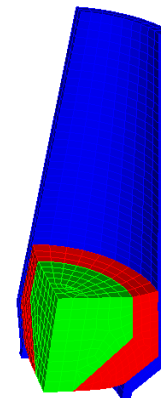


Performance Measure



Frequency Response Functions

System Mass Mockup





Calibration Procedure for the Viscoelastic Model in the Salinas Code

Dynamic Mechanical Analysis (DMA)

Tests provides:

- estimates shear modulus vs. frequency and temperature
- basis for fitting Prony Series
- estimates of material loss factor
- still need second elastic constant
- works best near the glass transition temperature (95 deg C)

Prony Series

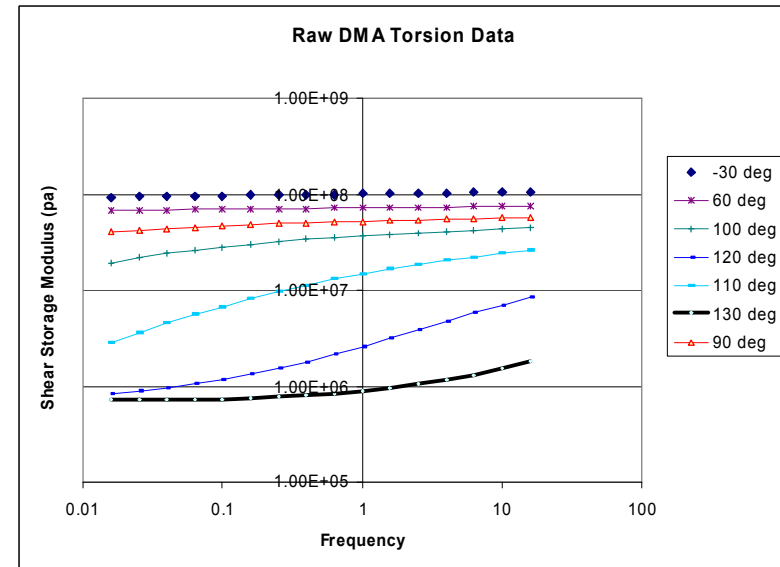
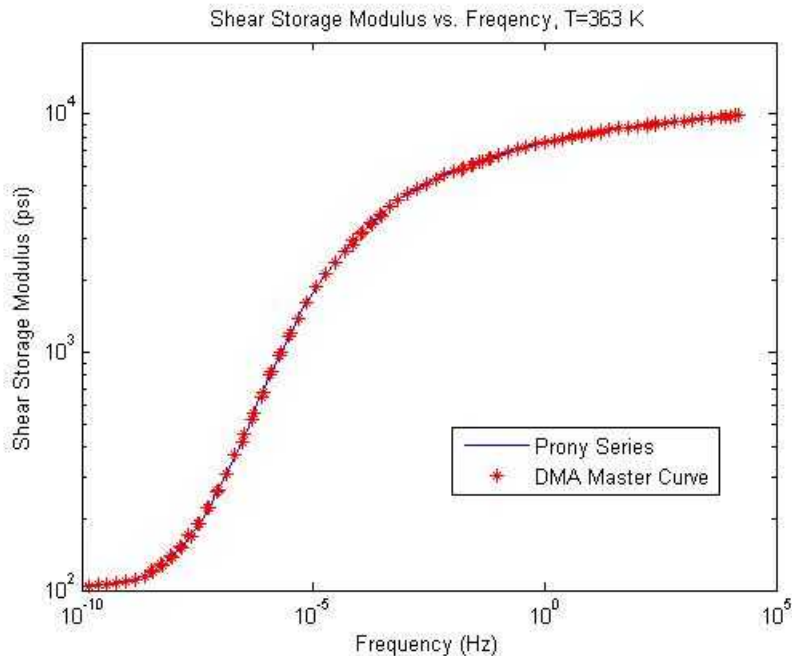
Viscoelastic Model

Phase I Modal Tests

- provides modal frequencies and damping
- analytically back out E and G with Salinas by matching test modes

Young's Modulus, Shear Modulus and damping

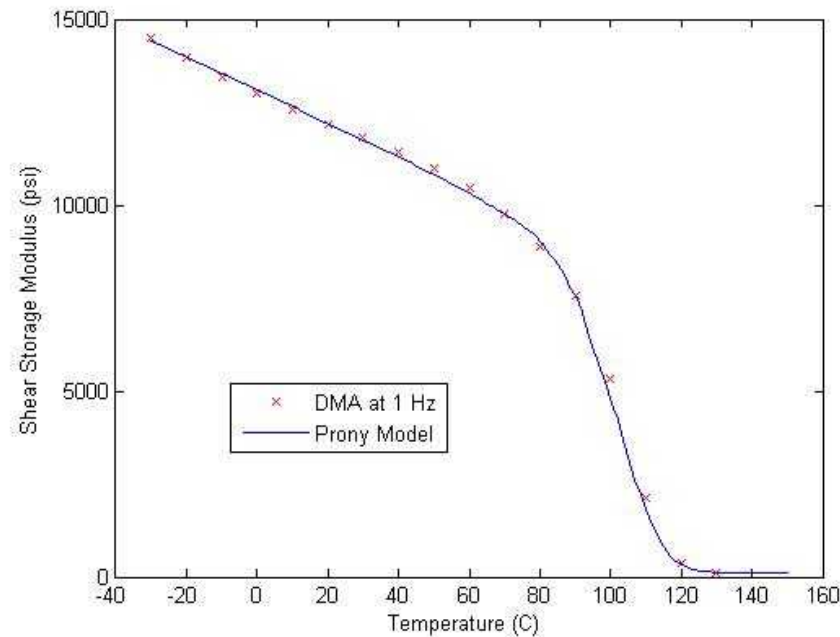
Shear Modulus Master Curve with 20 term Prony Series Fit (at 90 deg. C)



DMA data has been shifted into the Master Curve
 Frequency sweeps from 15.9e-3 to 15.9 Hz
 Temperatures: -30 to 130 deg C

$$G(t, T) = Gr + (Gg - Gr) \sum_{j=1}^N m_j \exp\left(-\frac{t}{aT(T) * \tau_j(T_{ref})}\right)$$

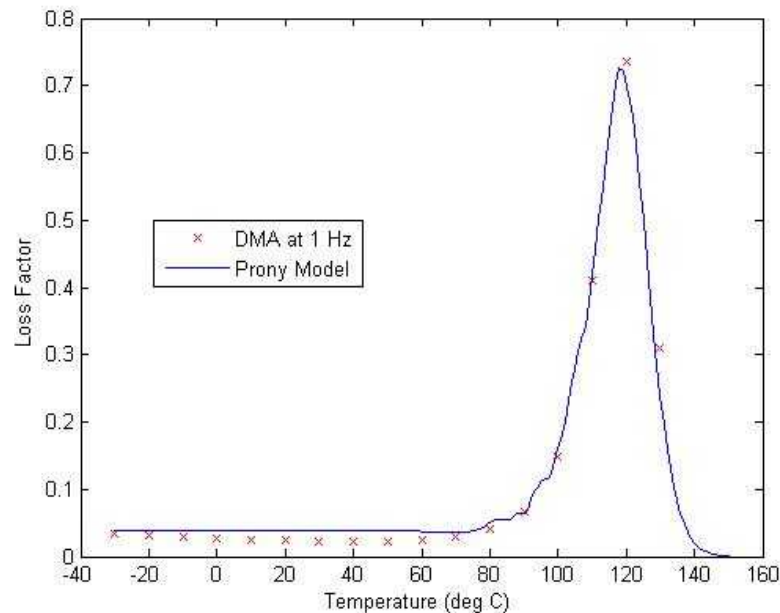
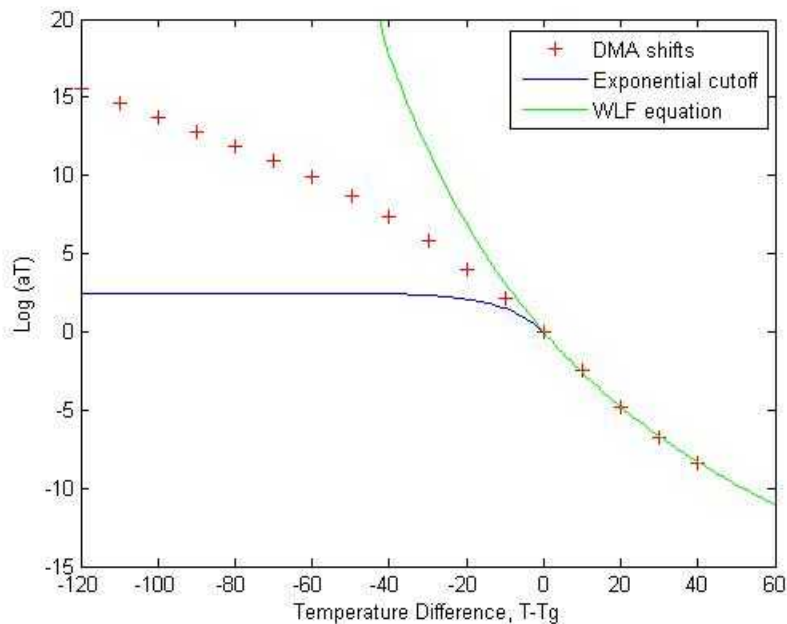
Shear Storage Modulus Dependence on Temperature Incorporated



Glassy modulus as a function of temperature is fit to DMA data:

$$G(T) = 2.78 * G_g * (1 - 0.64 * T / T_g) \quad \text{for } T < T_g$$

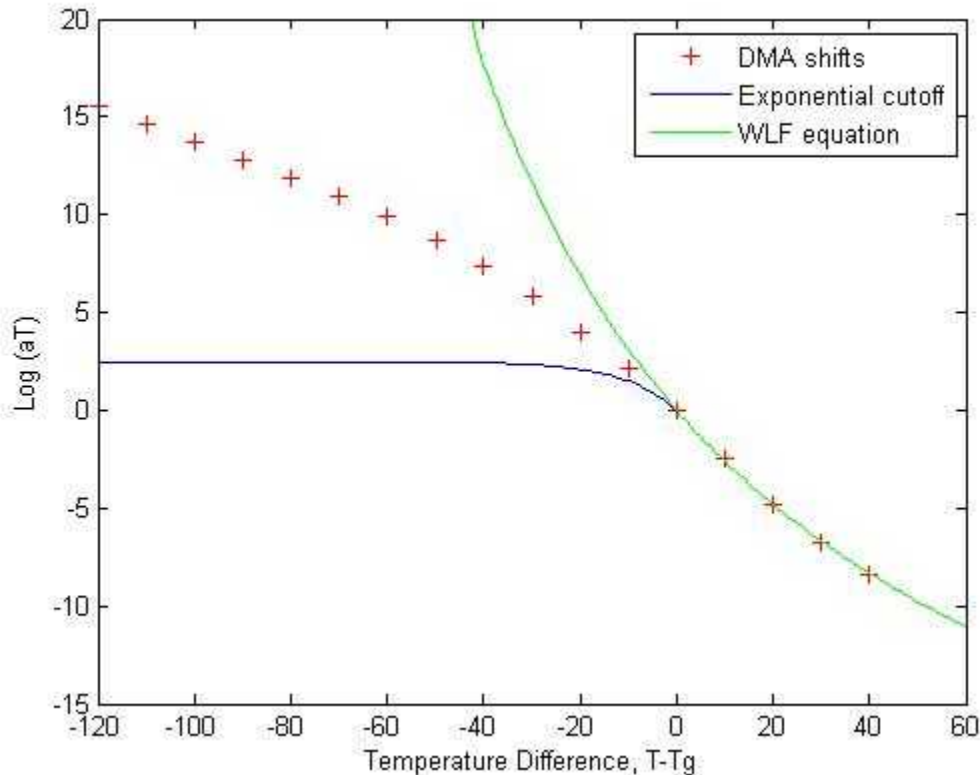
Damping Dependence on Temperature



Cutoff established to transition from frequency or time shifts to temperature shifts to form the Master Curve (somewhat arbitrary)

This enables retaining some damping in the model for temperatures and frequencies far below T_g

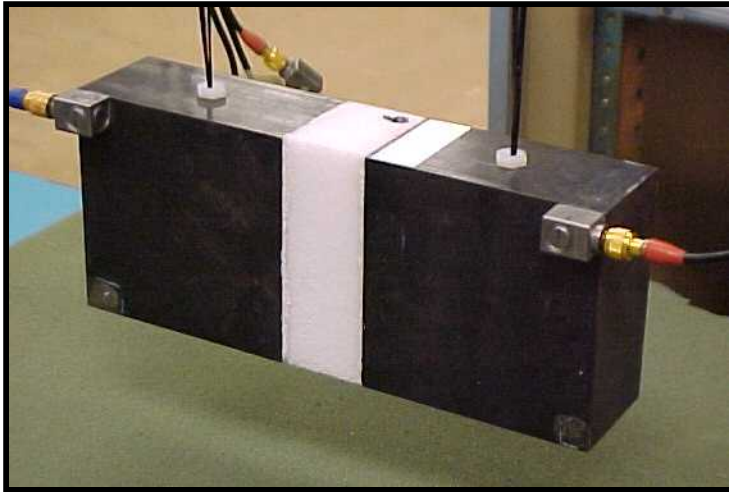
Shift Function based on forming Master Curve from DMA data



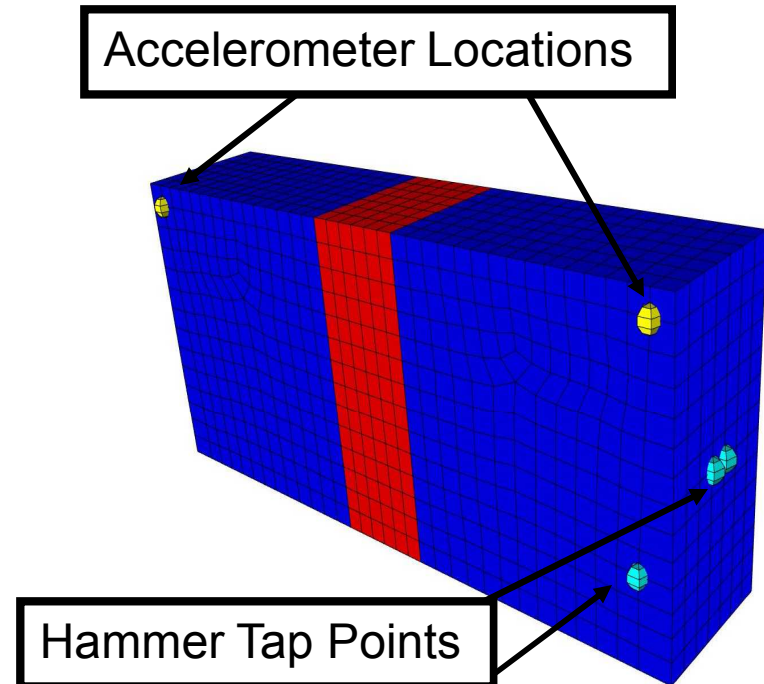
Cutoff established to transition from frequency or time shifts to temperature shifts to form the Master Curve

This also enables retaining some damping in the model for temperatures and frequencies far below T_g

Phase I Test Article

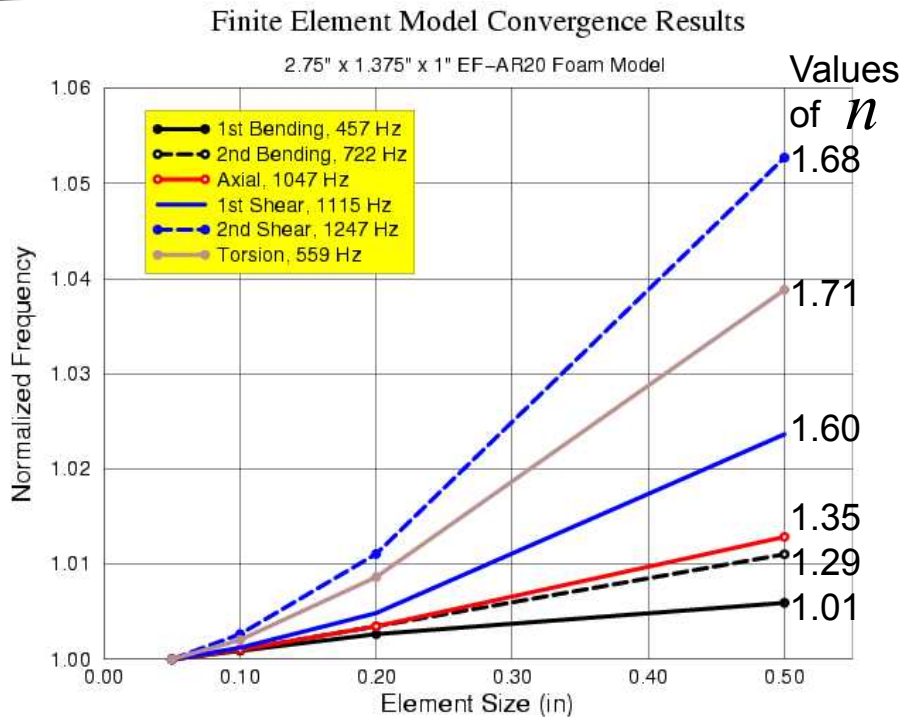


Test Hardware

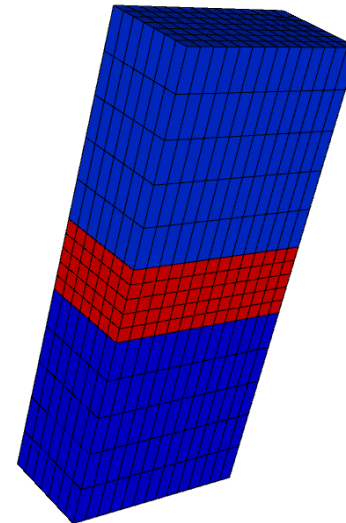


Salinas FE Model

Phase 1 Model Convergence using Modal Frequencies



0.2" element selected for computational efficiency



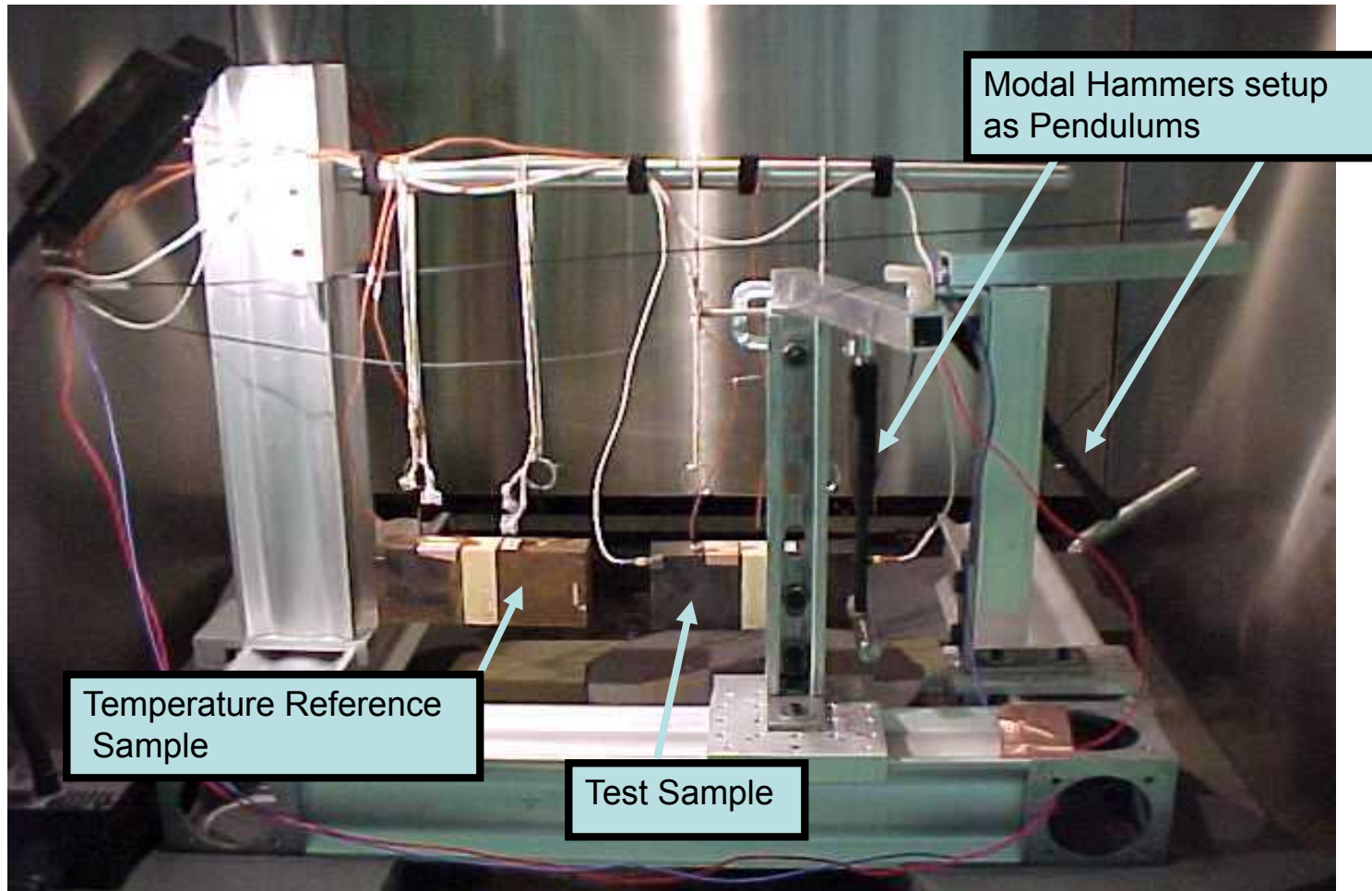
8 node hexahedral elements used

Richardson Extrapolation: $E(h) = E' + Ch^n$

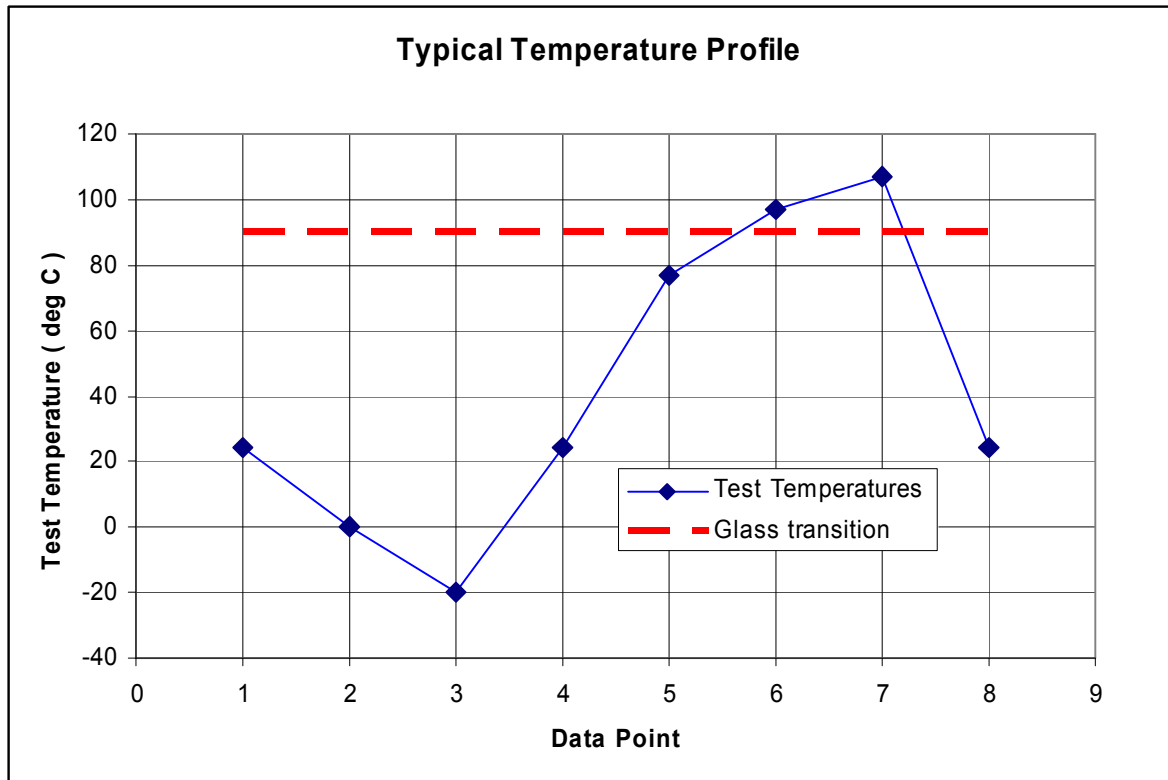
Exponent n , has values given above, ranging from 1.01 to 1.71

Normalized error, $(E - E') / E'$, same as shown in plot at $h = 0.2$, **less than 1.3% error**

Environmental Chamber Setup



Validation Experiments





Phase I Modal Test Matrix

| Sample | Density lbs/ft ³ |
|--------|--------------------------------|
| A | 17.94 |
| B | 17.7 |
| C | 18.92 |
| D | 17.95 |
| E | 20.33 |
| F | 20.28 |

Test matrix included:

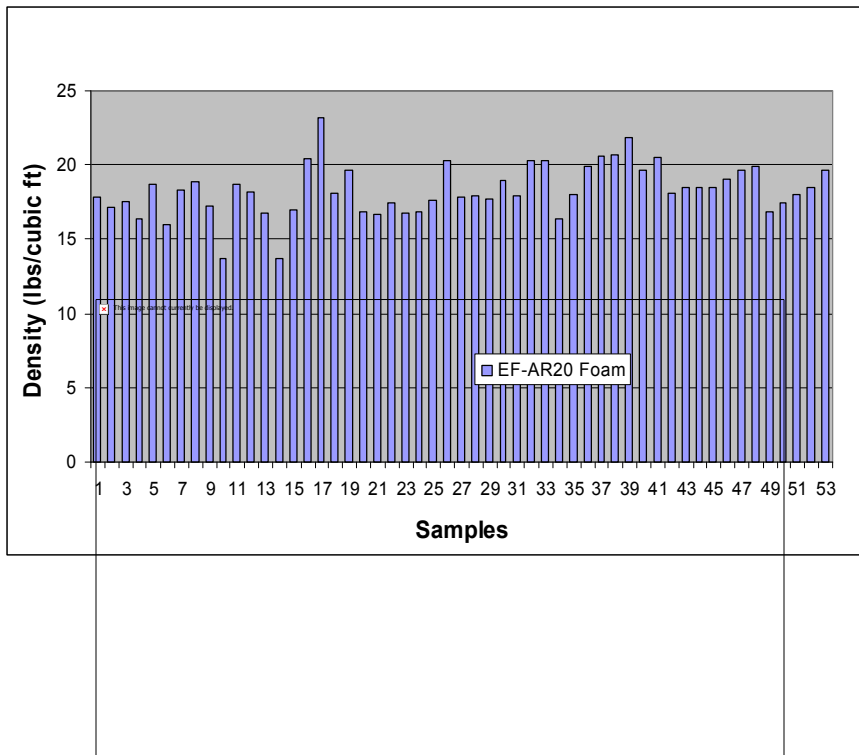
- variable foam densities
- 6 temperatures



Model Uncertainties Included

- Foam Density – see next slide
- Temperature range: -20 C to 110 deg C
- Variation of modulus with density

Density Variation in Foam based on several batches



$$\rho = \sigma_{\rho} Z_1 + \mu_{\rho}$$

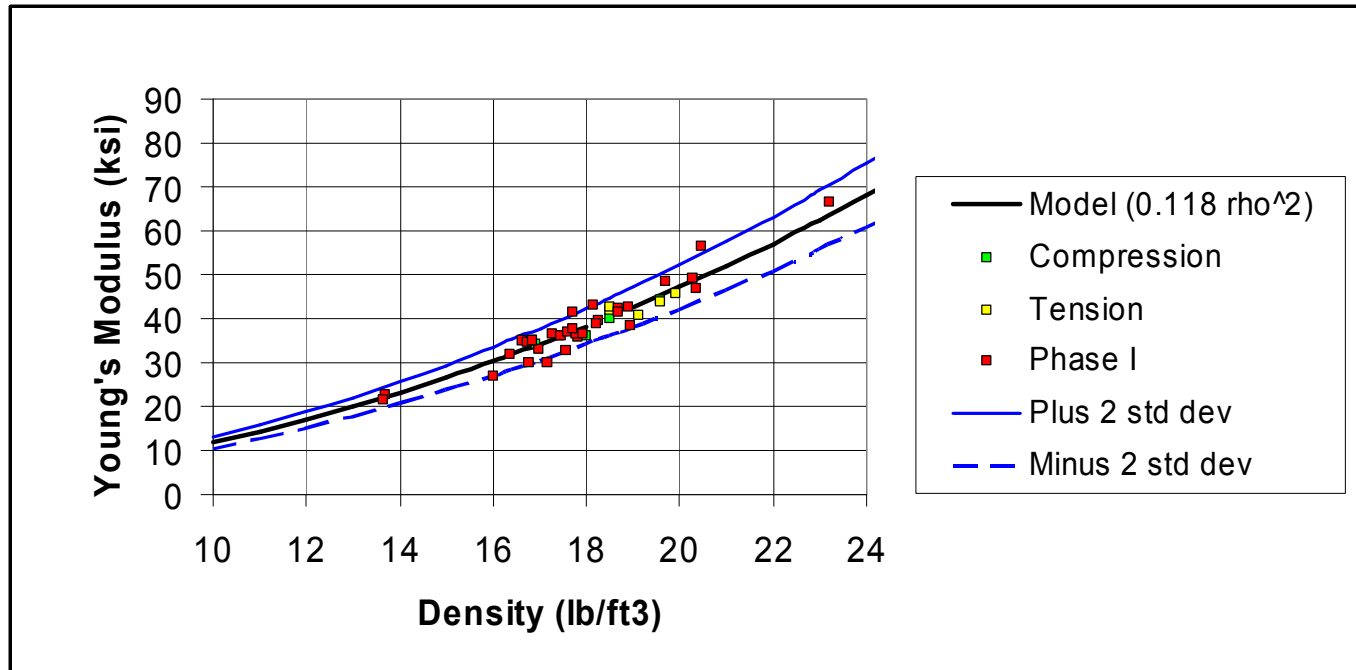
ρ = density

σ_{ρ} = standard deviation = 1.75 pcf

Z_1 = std. normal random variable

μ = mean density = 18.32 pcf

Modulus dependence on Density



$$E = 0.118\rho^2 + 0.00635\rho^2 Z_2$$

Z_2 = std. normal random variable

Upper/Lower Bound Values for Density and Modulus

**Ninety-five percent probable limits for EF-AR20 foam parameters at room temperature based on a 95% probability point of a Chi Squared distribution
With two degrees of freedom (Z_1 and Z_2)**

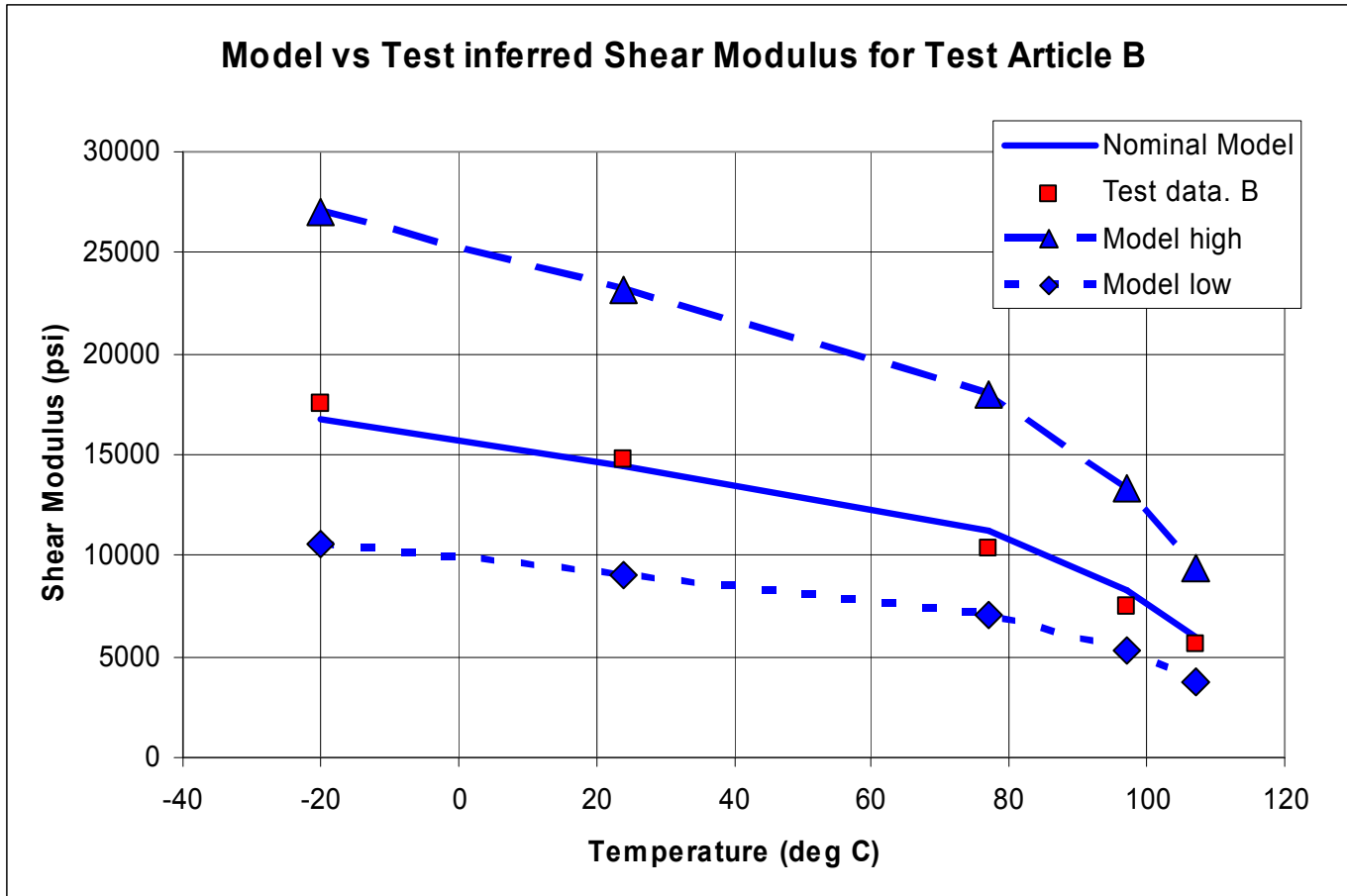
| | ρ lbs/ft ³ | | E ksi | G ksi | % damping |
|-------------|-------------------------------|--|------------|------------|-----------|
| Lower bound | 14.0 | | 23.2 | 9.06 | 0.0145 |
| Upper bound | 22.4 | | 61.6 | 24.1 | 0.0145 |

Treating the average Poisson's ratio from Phase I data as a constant:

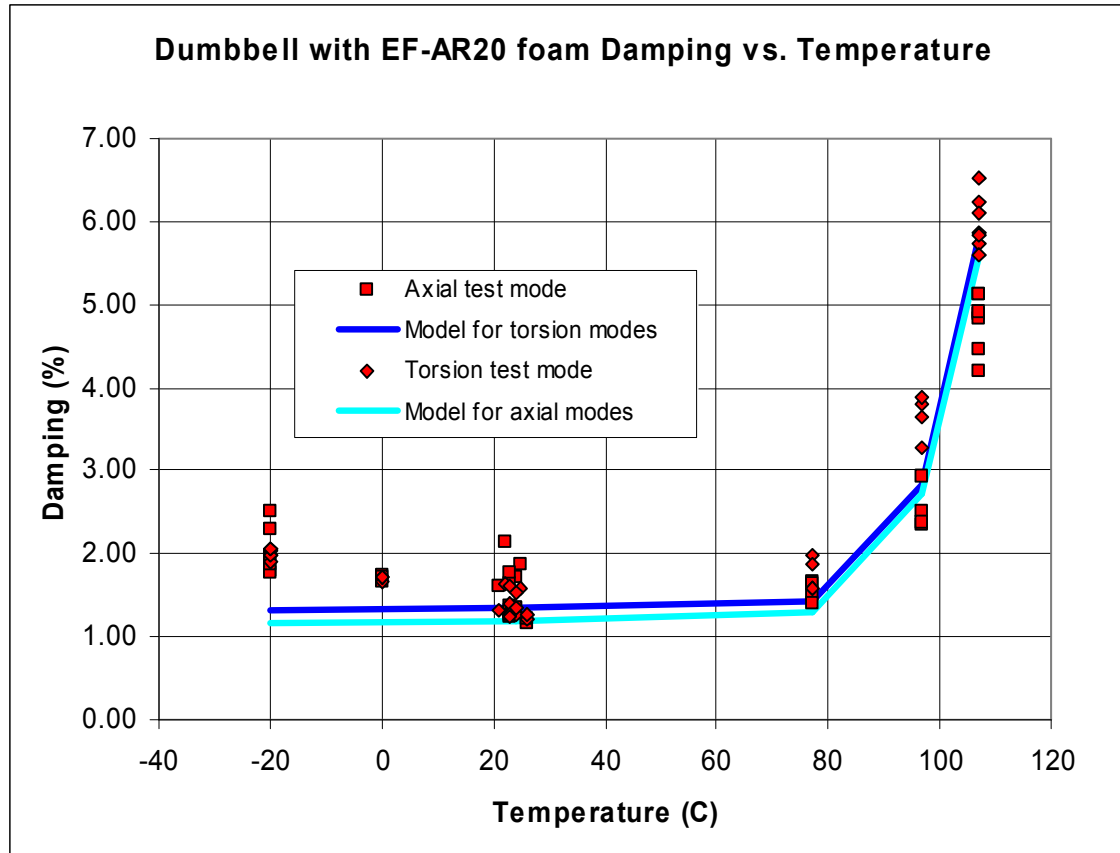
$$\nu = 0.28$$

$$G = \frac{E}{2(1 + \nu)}$$

Model Validation Predictions Bounding and Deterministic



Damping predicted by model compared with Test Data





Additional Validation Metrics to be applied

- Peak acceleration
- Windowed FRF
- Shock Response Spectrum



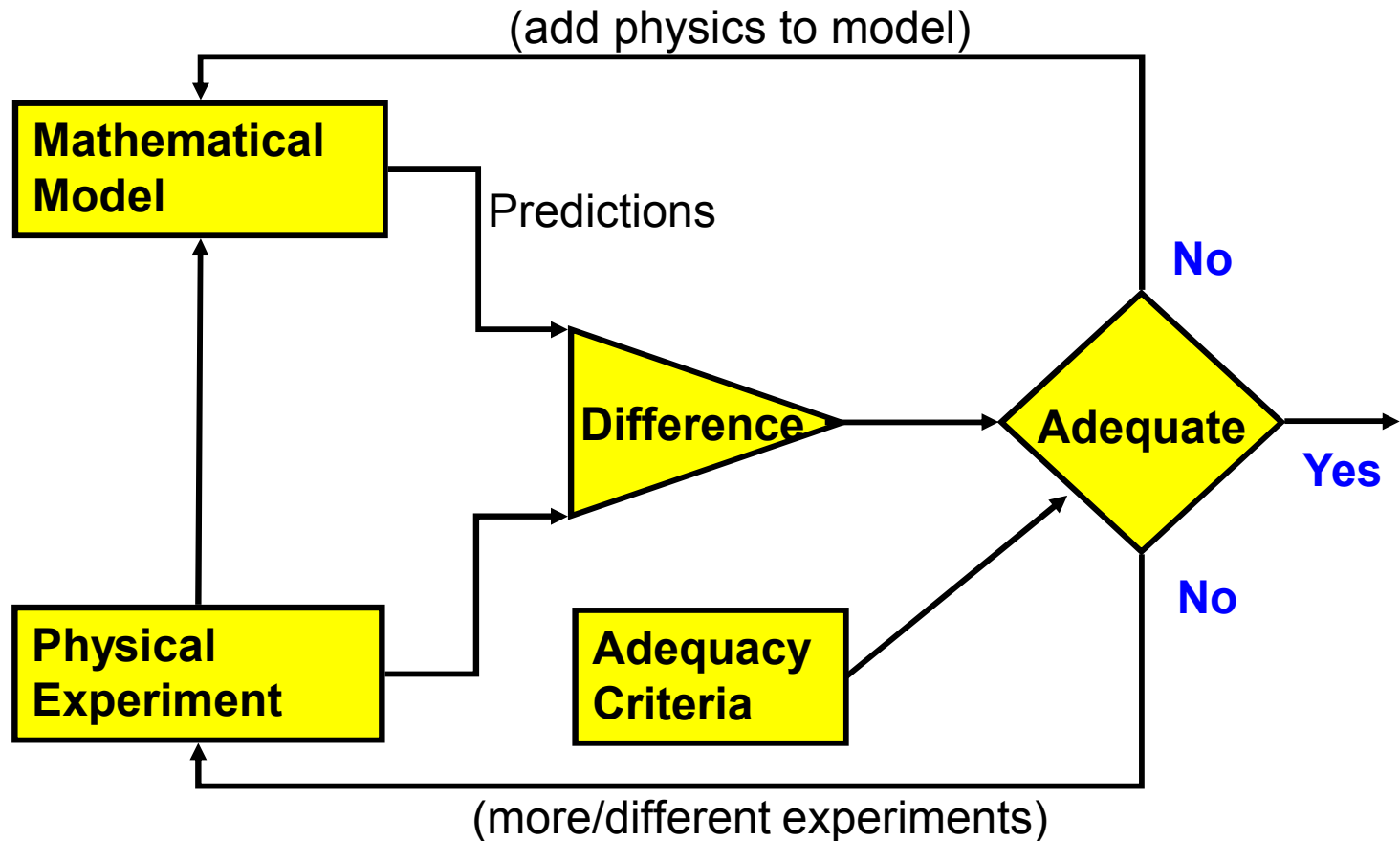
Summary

- Calibrated a linear viscoelastic model for EF-AR20 foam over Temperature span from -20 to 110 deg C
- Foam density and elastic modulus were treated as random variables
- Upper/lower bound validation approach provided confidence in model's ability to predict shear modulus values inferred from the Phase I modal tests
- Deterministic predictions also agreed well
- Model predicts conservative damping levels relative to Phase I test data
- Will be applying Peak response, Windowed FRF and Shock Response Spectra metrics

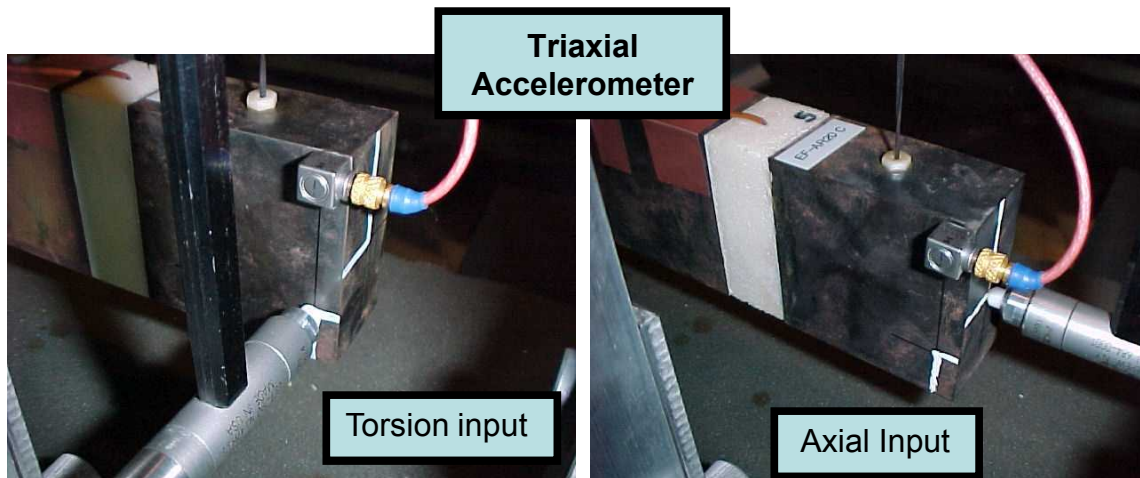


Backup Slides

Calibration/Validation Process



Axial and Lateral Excitation for Modal Tests

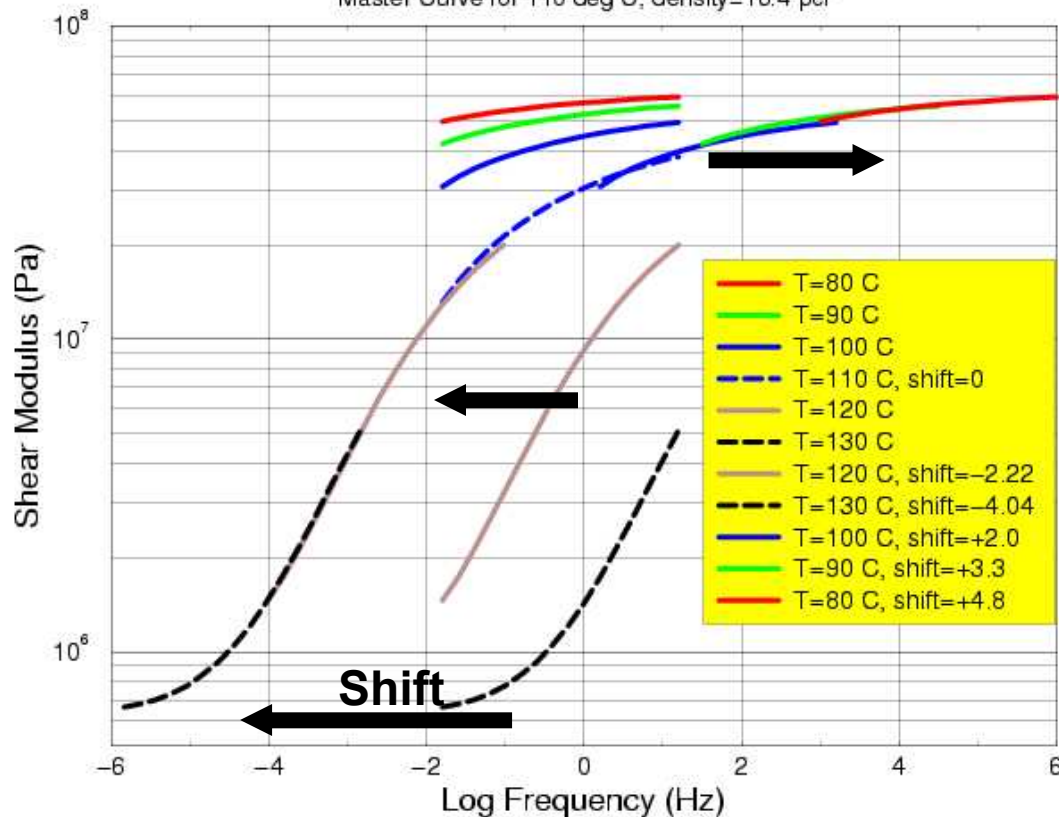


Constitutive Experiments

DMA Temperature/Frequency Shifts

EF-AR20 Epoxy Foam – Sample 5

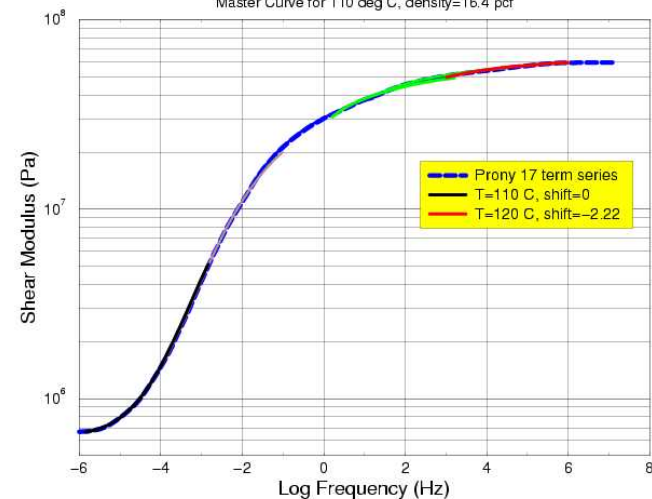
Master Curve for 110 deg C, density=16.4 pcf



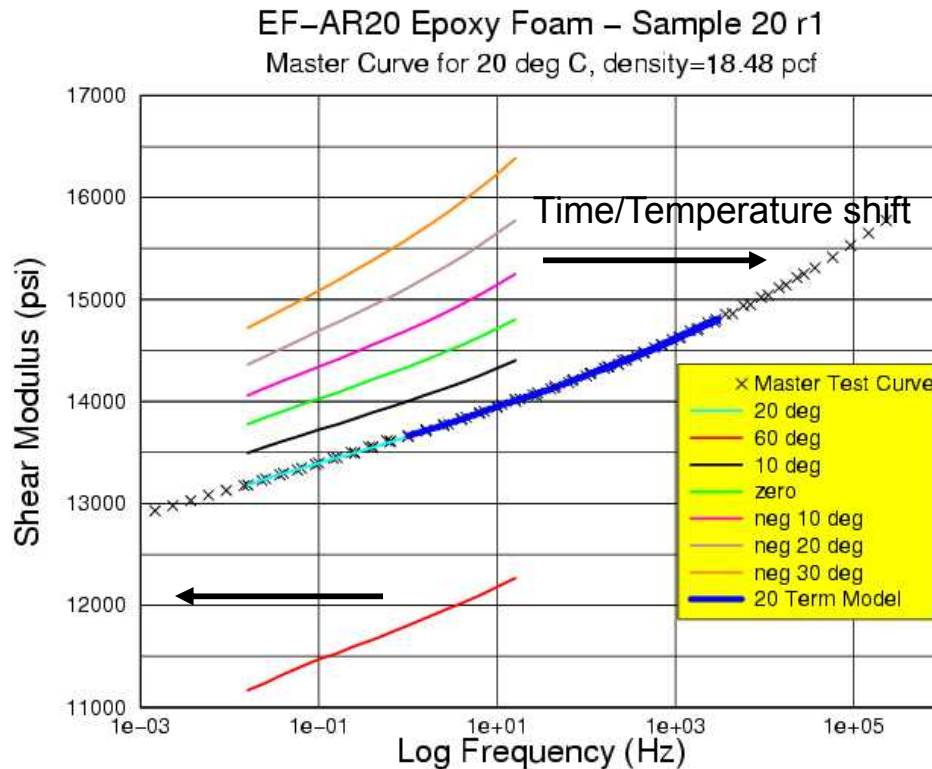
17 Term Prony Series Fit

EF-AR20 Epoxy Foam – Sample 5

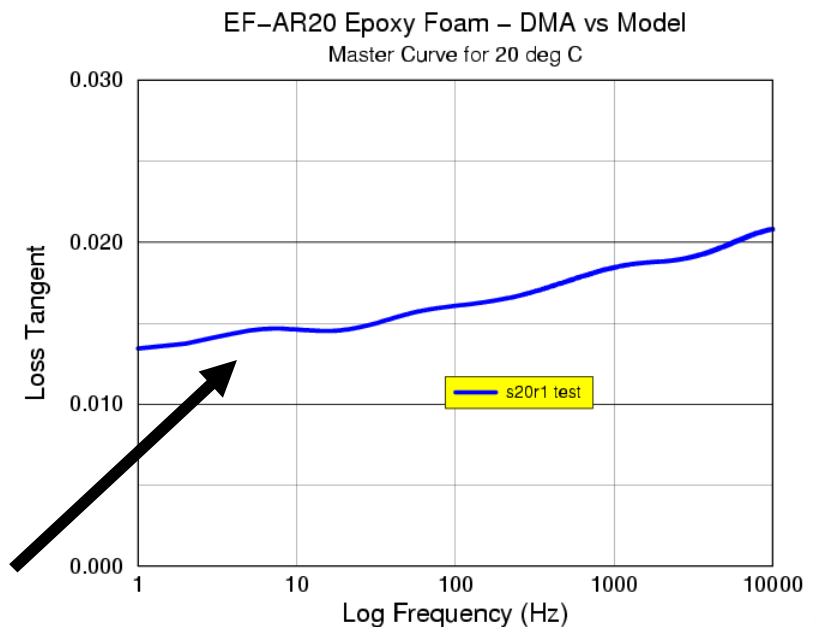
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Prony Model of Master Curve at Room Temperature

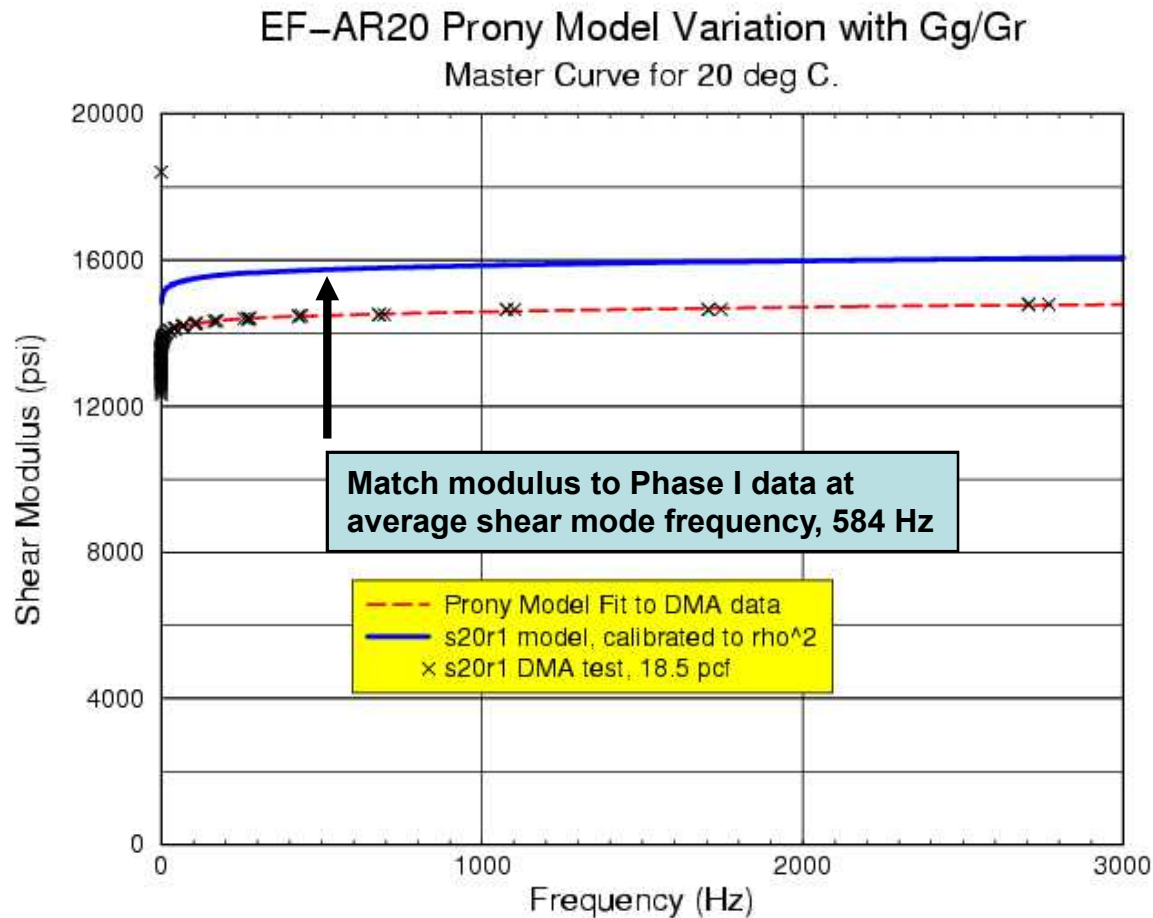


- Individual DMA curves shifted to form Master Curve
- 20 Term Prony Series fit to Master Curve (blue curve)



Resulting master curve for Loss Tangent
(damping = 0.5 LT for Phase I)

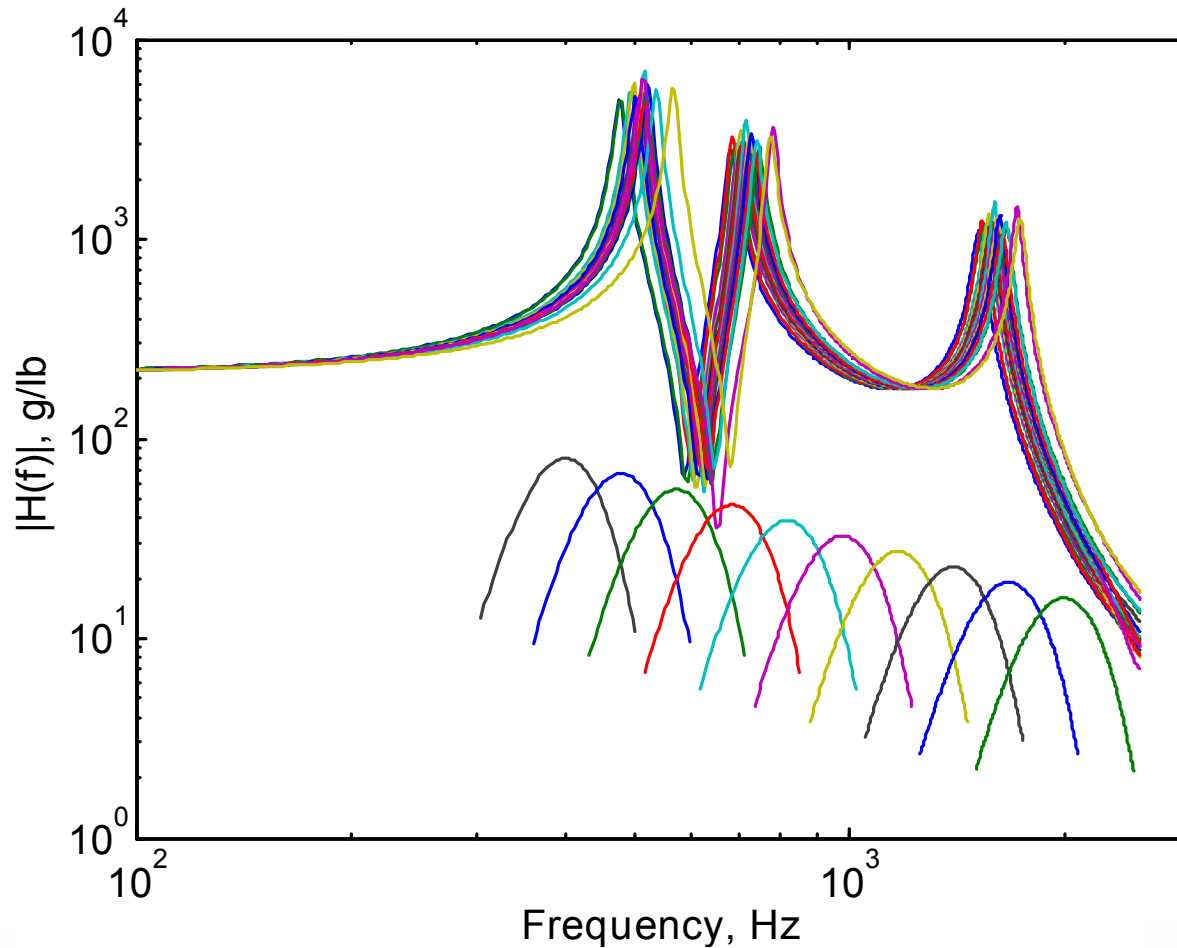
Matching Prony Series Model with Phase I Test



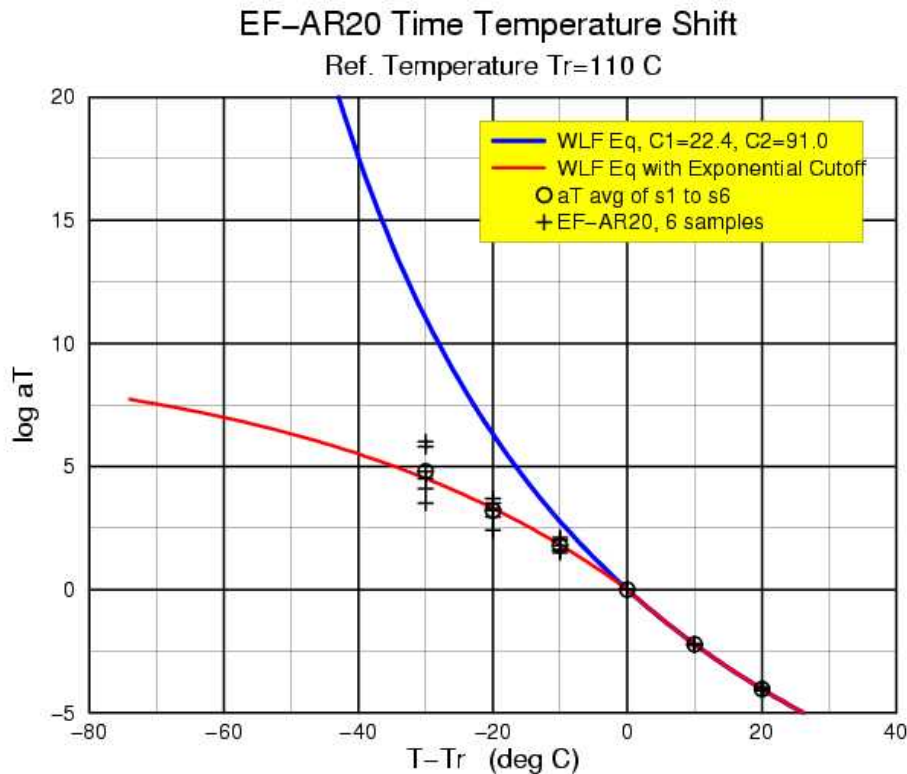
Prony Series model is matched to Phase I derived modulus values
by shifting the curve with modified Gg and Gr values



Window Functions for Validation Metric



Time(Frequency)/Temperature Shift Function based on the Master Curve for EF-AR20 Foam



Time domain:

$$G(t) = G_r + (G_g - G_r) \sum_{j=1}^N m_j \exp(-t / a_T \tau_j)$$

Frequency domain:

$$G'(\omega) = G_r + (G_g - G_r) \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{m_j (\omega a_T \tau_j)^2}{(1 + (\omega a_T \tau_j)^2)}$$

where:

$$a_T = \frac{t}{t_r}$$

t_r = reference time

Modified WLF Time-Temperature Shift Function

$$\text{Log}(t/t_r) = (-C_1 * (T - T_r)) / (C_2 + (T - T_r)) \quad T > T_r$$

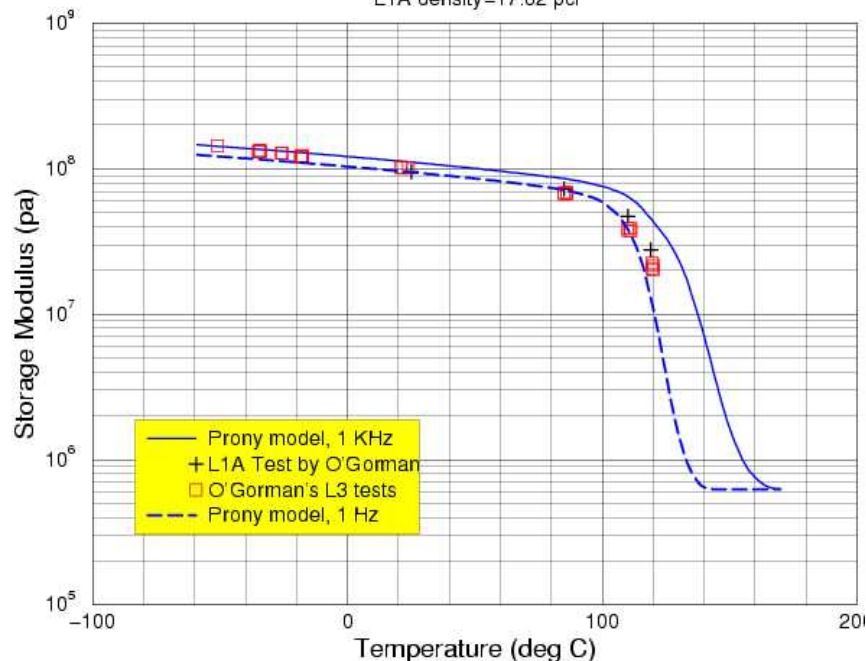
$$\text{Log}(t/t_r) = a_1 * (1 - \exp(a_2 * (T - T_r))) \quad T < T_r$$

Epoxy Foam Behavior

Modulus & Damping vs Temperature Test Data superimposed on model curves

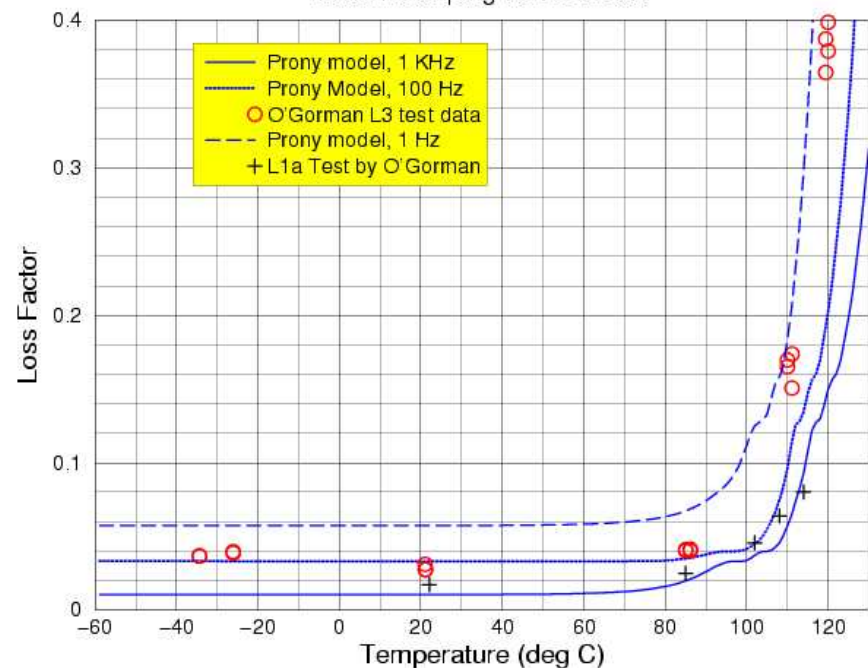
EF-AR20 Model vs Modal Test Data

L1A density=17.82 pcf



Viscoelastic Model for EF-AR Foam

Model Damping vs Test Data





Linear Viscoelasticity in SALINAS

- Stress is an Integral function of strain: Convolution Integral

$$\sigma_{ij}(t) = \int_0^t \hat{G}_{ijkl}(t-s) \frac{d\varepsilon_{kl}}{ds} ds$$

- Isotropy is assumed:

$$\sigma_{ij}(t) = \int_0^t 2G(t-s) \frac{d}{ds} \varepsilon_{ij}^d ds + \delta_{ij} \int_0^t K(t-s) \frac{d}{ds} \text{tr}(\varepsilon) ds$$

where $\varepsilon^d = \varepsilon - \delta_{ij} \text{tr}(\varepsilon) / 3$

- Material functions $G(\)$ and $K(\)$ are selected to reproduce experimental data



Model Form in SALINAS Code

Measure Shear Relaxation Modulus with DMA tests and fit Prony Series:

$$G(t) = G_r + (G_g - G_r) \sum_{j=1}^N m_j \exp(-t / \tau_j)$$

Use same Prony Series for the Bulk modulus and estimate K_g and K_r :

$$K(t) = K_r + (K_g - K_r) \sum_{j=1}^N m_j \exp(-t / \tau_j)$$

A constant value of Poisson's ratio with UQ for this viscoelastic foam will be used based on best estimates from measuring E and G directly in constitutive tests and indirectly from Phase I modal tests.

Assuming Isotropic behavior, Poisson's Ratio is: $\nu = \left(\frac{E}{2G}\right) - 1$

and the Bulk Modulus will be estimated as follows: $K = 2G(1 + \nu) / 3(1 - 2\nu)$

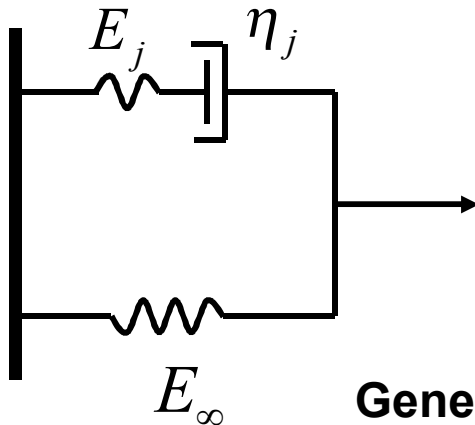


Linear Viscoelastic Constitutive Model

Stress is an Integral function of strain: Convolution Integral

$$\sigma(t) = \int_0^t E(t-s) \frac{de}{dt} ds$$

Where the Modulus is defined by a Prony Series:



$$E(t) = E_{\infty} + (E_g - E_{\infty}) \sum_{j=1}^N m_j \exp(-t / \tau_j)$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^N m_j = 1$$

Generalized Maxwell Model

and the parameters, E_{∞} , E_g and τ_j are based on Mat'l Property Tests



Modulus in the Frequency Domain

For steady state conditions, the complex dynamic shear modulus is:

Shear Modulus $G(\omega) = G_{\infty} + (G_g - G_{\infty}) \sum_{j=1}^N m_j \frac{i * \omega * \tau_j}{(1 + i * \omega * \tau_j)}$

or

$$G(\omega) = G' + iG''$$

Storage Modulus $G'(\omega) = G_{\infty} + (G_g - G_{\infty}) \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{m_j \omega^2 \tau_j^2}{(1 + \omega^2 \tau_j^2)}$

Loss Modulus $G''(\omega) = (G_g - G_{\infty}) \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{m_j \omega \tau_j}{(1 + \omega^2 \tau_j^2)}$

Loss Factor

$$\eta = \frac{G''}{G'}$$

$$\eta = 2\zeta = \frac{\delta}{\pi}$$

$$\delta = \frac{1}{N} \ln \left(\frac{X_n}{X_{n+N}} \right)$$