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# Adhesive Joint Failure and the Aging of Adhesive Joints

**TCG-XIV – Munitions Reliability and Lifecycle Technology**

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# Our Vision: Validated Model-Based Lifecycle Engineering for Packaging Design

J.M. Caruthers, et al., *Polymer*, 2004, 45, 4577

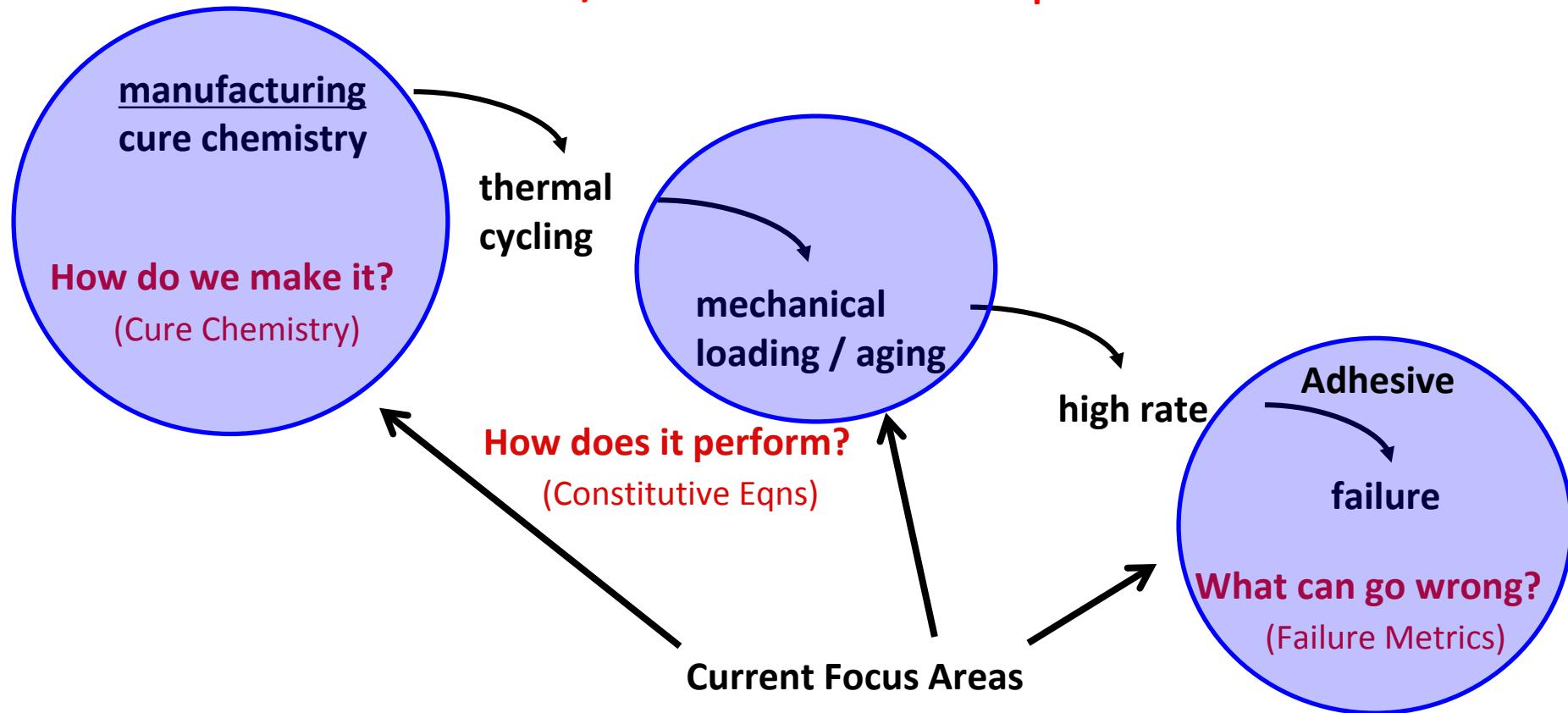
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## Polymer Nonlinear Viscoelastic (NLVE) Model

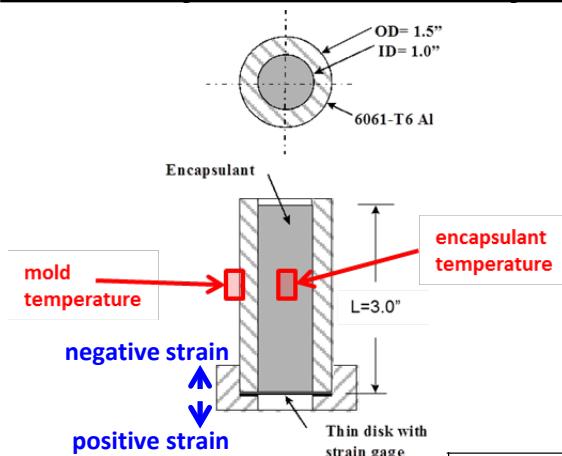


Current talk Predict Stress/Strain and Understand Impact on Performance

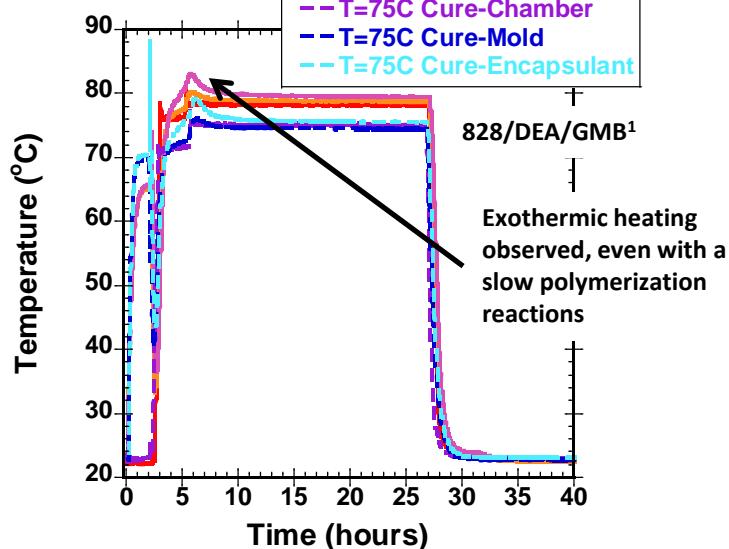


# Why is Cure Stress Important?

## Geometry: Thin Disk on Cylinder

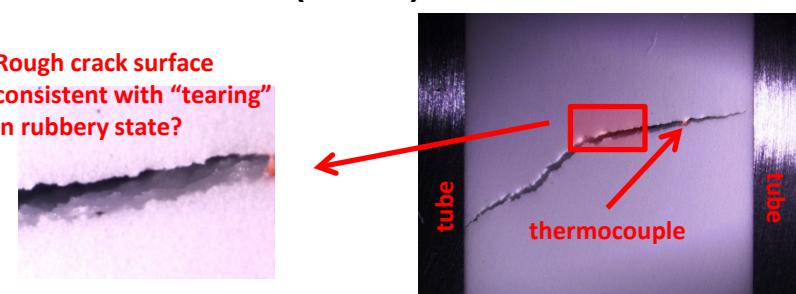
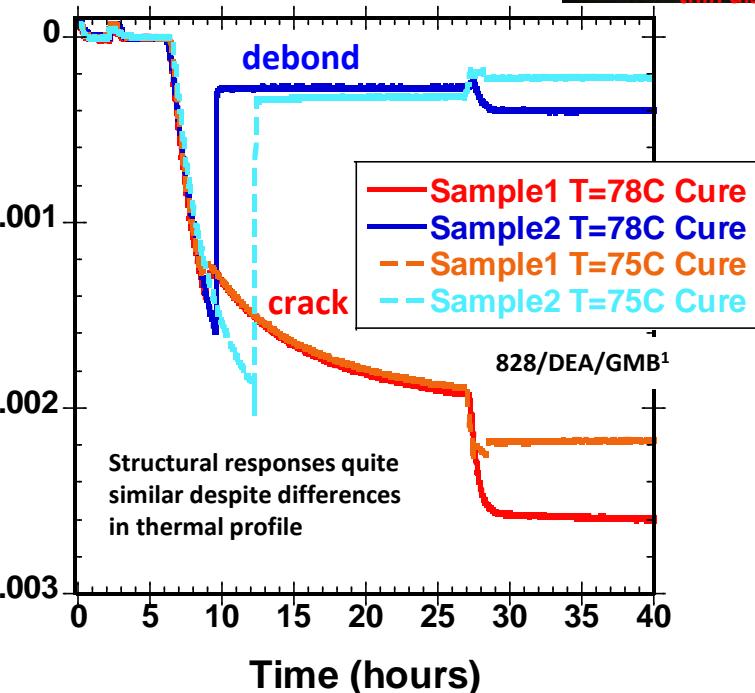


## Temperature Profile



Failure can occur during cure!

## Structural Response



# Predicting Cure Stress: Parameterizing the SPEC Cure Model

## Reaction Kinetics

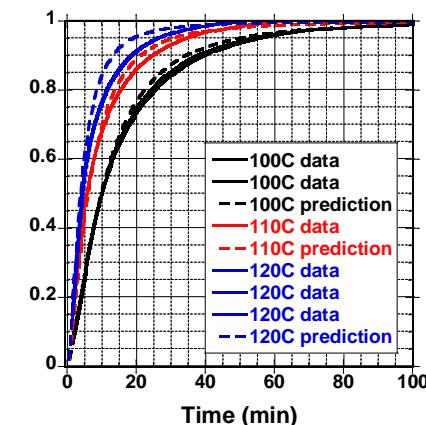
$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \hat{k} (b + x^m) (1 - x)^n \quad \hat{k} \equiv \frac{k}{(1 + w a)^\beta}$$

$$k = k_o e^{-\frac{E_a}{RT}}$$

### 828/T403 Chemistry Limited Reaction Parameters

Parameter	Value
$E_a$	13.8 kcal/mole
$k_o$	$2.17 \times 10^5 \text{ s}^{-1}$
$b$	0.17
$m$	0.33
$n$	1.37

Extent of Reaction



## Volumetric Cure Shrinkage

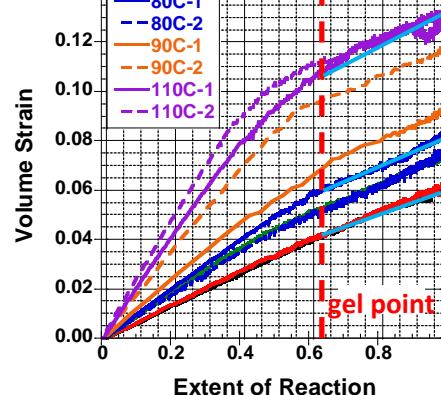
$$\varepsilon_{cure} = (\beta_\infty x) I$$

$$\text{slope} = \frac{d\varepsilon_{cure}}{dx}$$

$$\left. \frac{d\varepsilon_{cure}}{dx} \right|_{\max} = 0.082$$

$$\left. \frac{d\varepsilon_{cure}}{dx} \right|_{\min} = 0.069$$

$$\left. \frac{d\varepsilon_{cure}}{dx} \right|_{\min} = 0.060$$



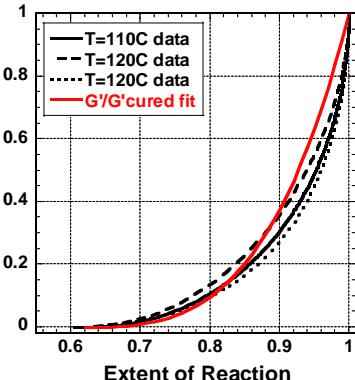
## Evolution of Equilibrium Shear Modulus During Cure

$$\frac{G_\infty(x)}{G_\infty(1)} = \left[ \frac{x^2 - x_{gel}^2}{1 - x_{gel}^2} \right]^{8/3}$$

### 828/T403 $G_\infty(x)$ Parameterization

Parameter	Value
$x_{gel}$	0.62

$G/G'(\text{cured})$

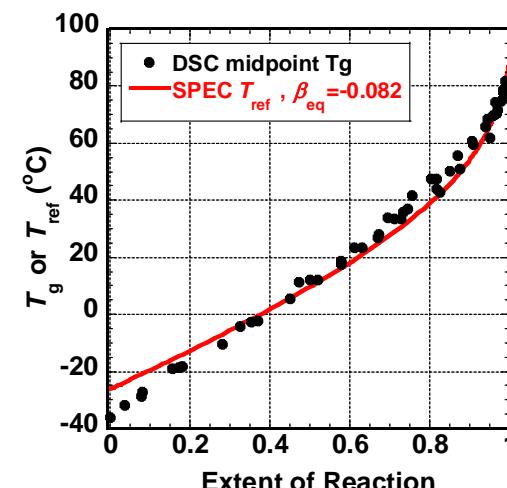


## Evolution of Glass Transition Temperature During Cure

$$T_{ref}(x) = T_{ref} - \frac{[C_3 \beta_\infty + C_5(x(t))] (x(t) - x_{ref})}{(1 - C_3 \alpha_\infty)} \quad C_5(x(t)) = C_{5a} + \frac{C_{5c}}{(C_{5d} - C_{5b} x)^{C_{5e}}}$$

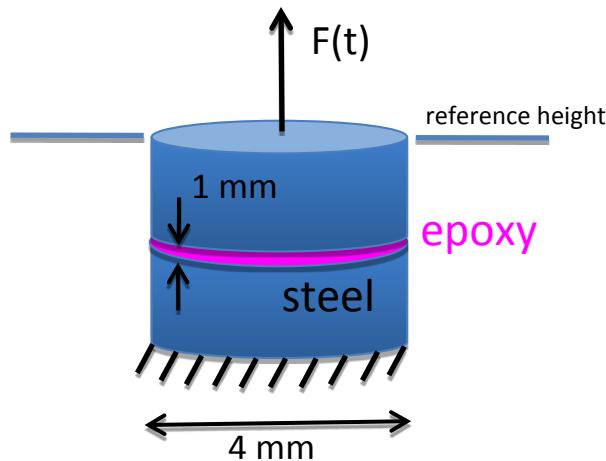
### 828/T403 $T_{ref}$ Parameterization

Parameter	Value
$C_3$	900 C
$\alpha_\infty$	500 ppm/C
$C_{5a}$	10 C
$C_{5b}$	0.97
$C_{5c}$	-105 C
$C_{5d}$	1.0088
$C_{5e}$	0.73

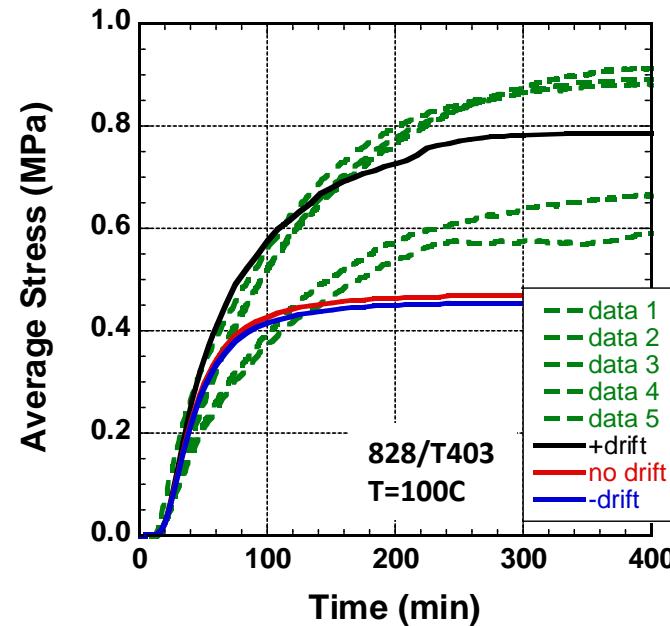


# Predicting Cure Stress: Validation Tests

## The Simple Test



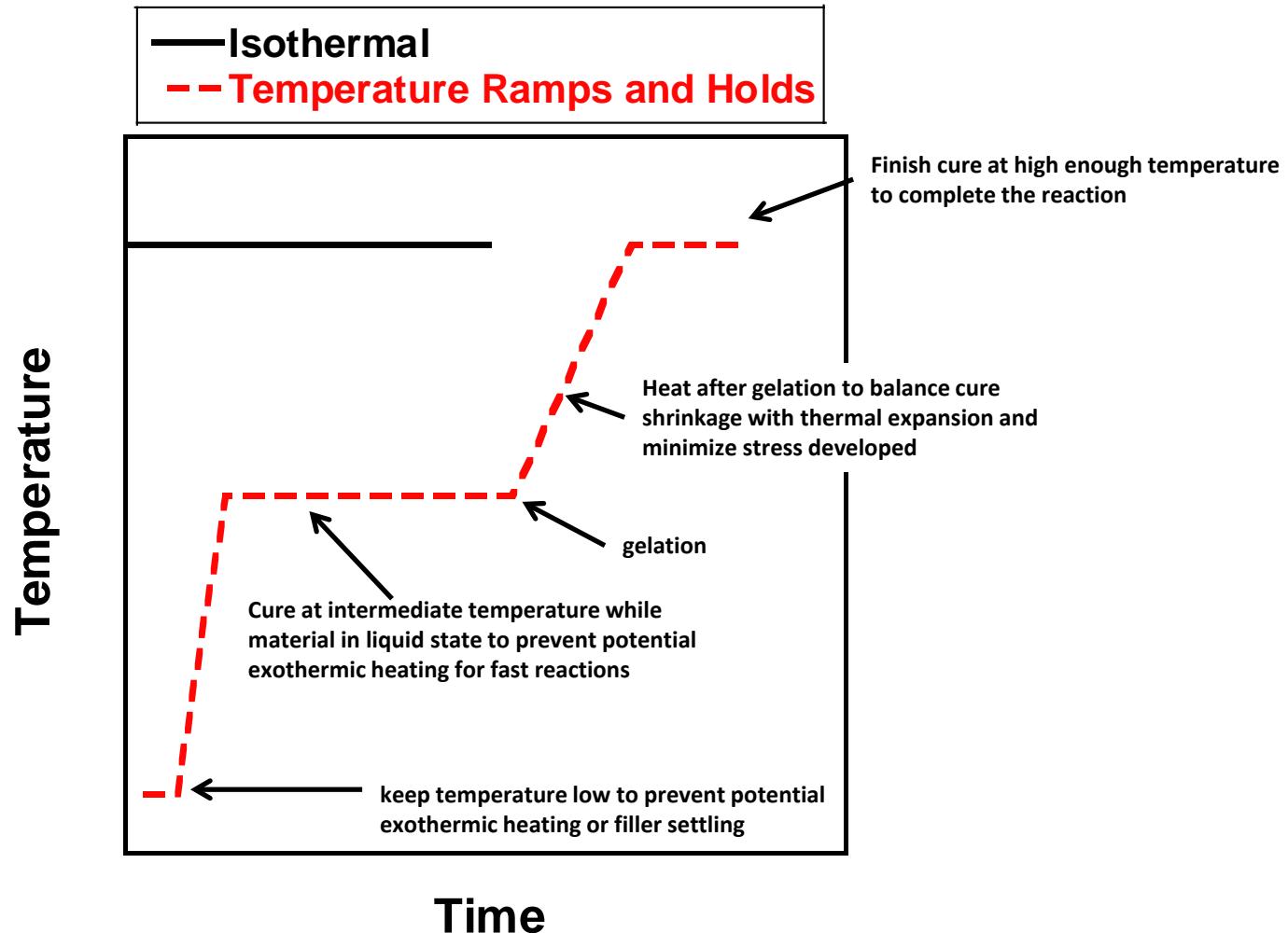
## Rubbery Cure Results



Good agreement between predictions and data, with known variations in boundary conditions during the test accounting for the spread in the data

This capability will enable the design of cure schedules to minimize stress

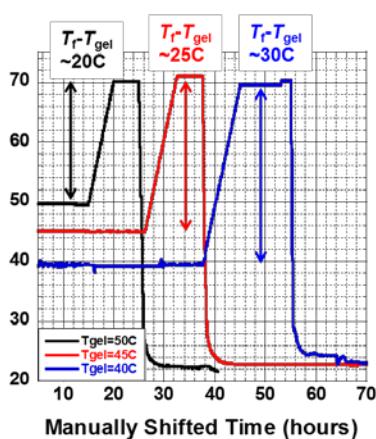
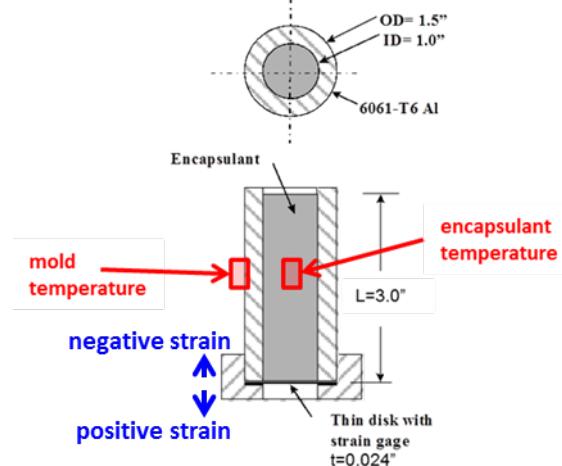
# Designing an Optimum Cure Schedule



Isothermal reaction at a high temperature may be the fastest method to achieve complete cure, but other factors may drive the time-temperature profile in a different direction

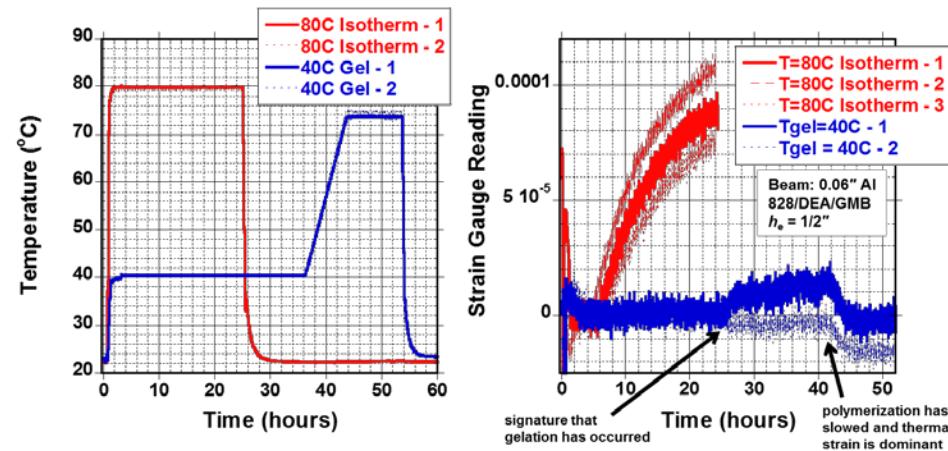
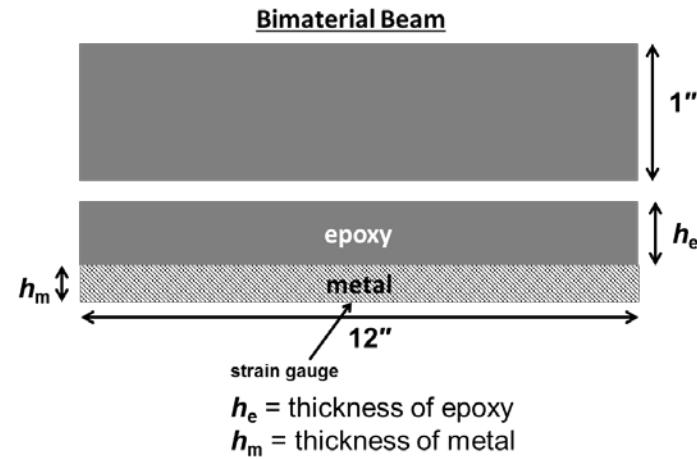
# Designing Cure Schedules to Minimize Stress

## Confined Cure



The difference between gel temperature ( $T_g$ ) and final cure temperature ( $T_f$ ) appears to be a primary factor in determining residual stress developed

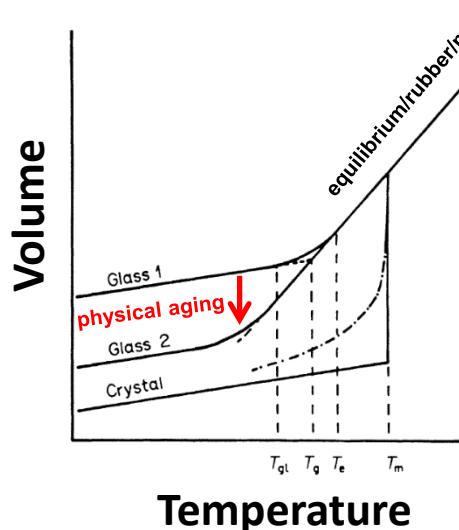
## Free-Surface Cure



Stress developed during free-surface cure can be reduced by implementing a post-gelation temperature ramp, as observed in confined cure

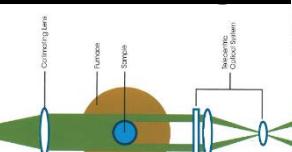
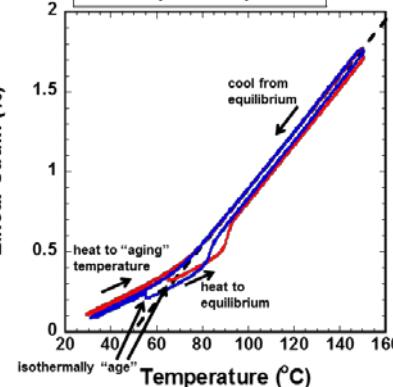
# Polymer Glass Aging

## Material Volume Changes

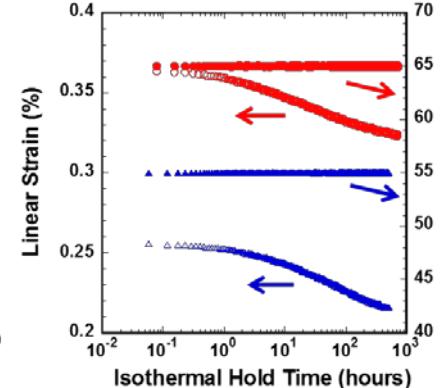


## optical resolution

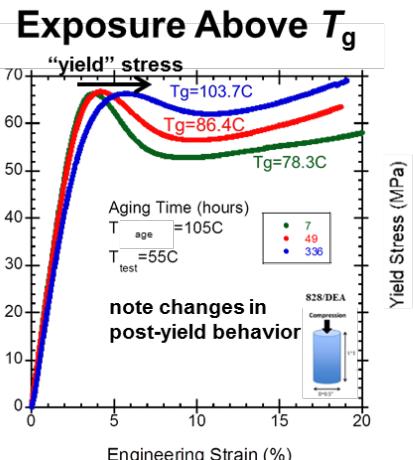
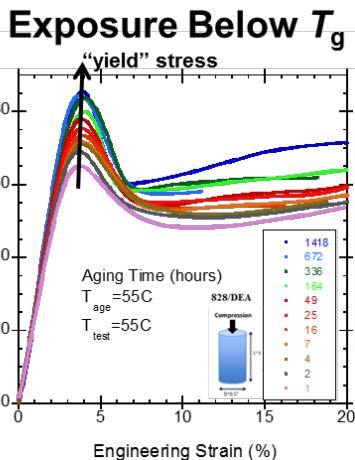
- $T=65\text{C}$  Hold Experiment
- $T=55\text{C}$  Hold Experiment
- Extrapolated Equilibrium



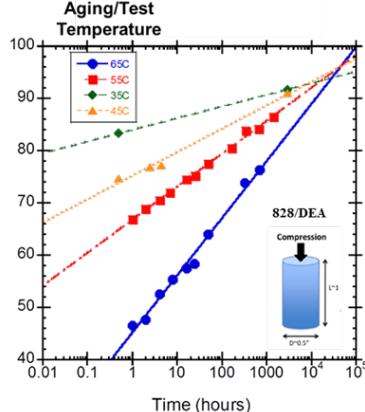
## Isothermal Hold Response



## Material Mechanical Response Changes



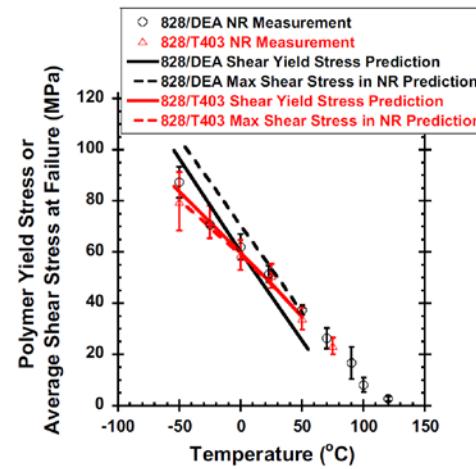
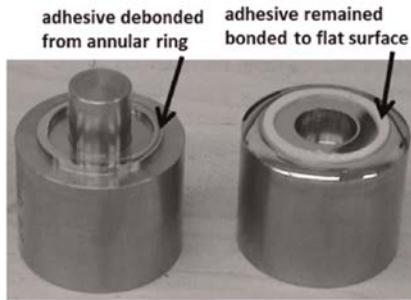
## Exposure Below $T_g$



SNL NLVE polymer models (e.g., SPEC) have the framework to predict the aging behavior and are currently being tested against measurements

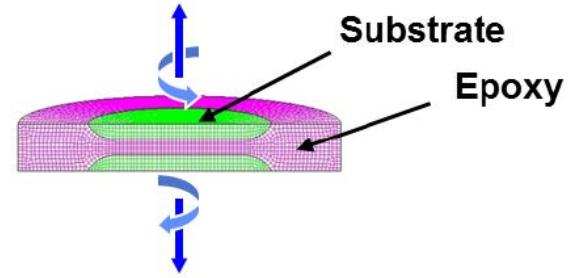
# Polymer Failure: Adhesive Joints

## Shear Loading: Napkin Ring



Kropka et al., *Int. J. Adhn. & Adhs*, 63 (2015) 14-25

## Combined Shear and Tension/Compression Loading: Saucer



Test geometries to measure the initiation of adhesive failure at an “embedded interface”