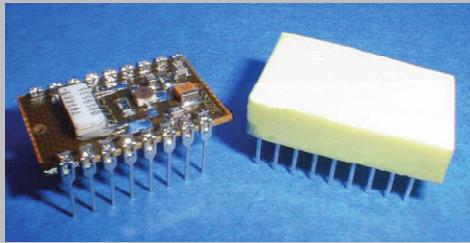


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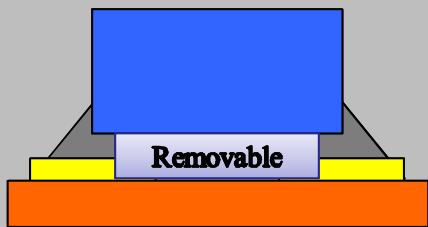


Removable Encapsulation

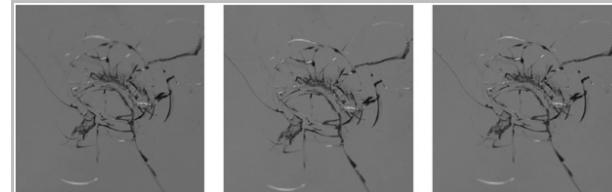


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Underfill Scenario



An Epoxy "Healing"



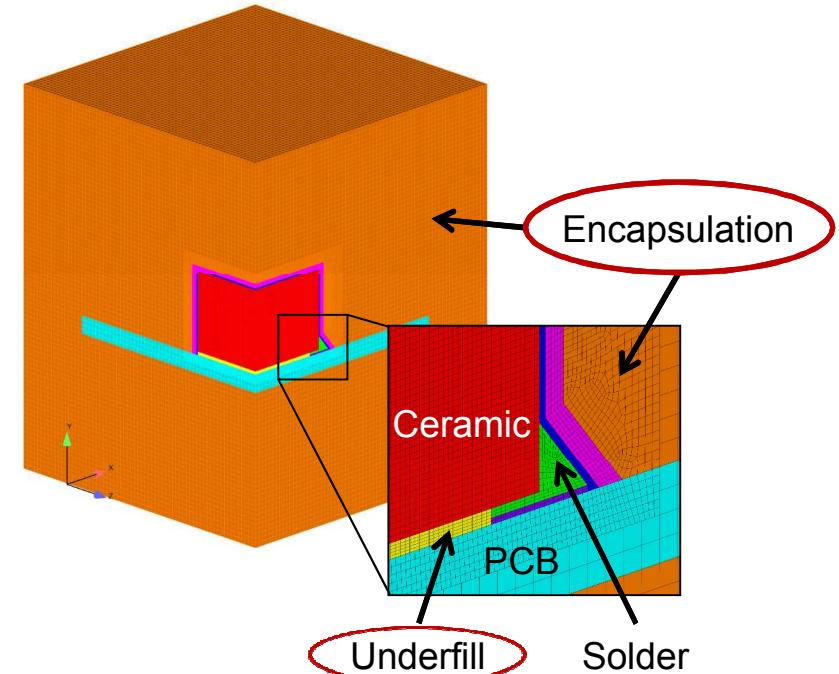
Tian, et. al., *J. Mat. Chem.* 2009

The Mechanics of Removable Network Polymers

Kevin Long, Solid Mechanics Department, Engineering Sciences Center

The Need for Removable Encapsulation

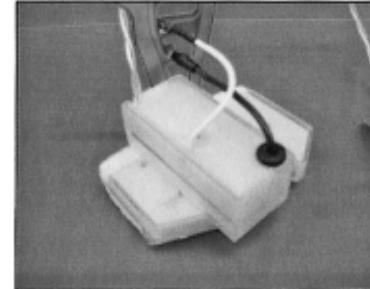
- Encapsulation of Printed Circuit Boards (PCB) provides *mechanical integrity, voltage isolation, and isolation from moisture, dust, ...*
- Traditional encapsulation cannot be removed without damaging PCBs
 - Reworking/upgrading components is not cost effective
 - In-service evaluation of components for lifetime assessment is not feasible
- *A removable encapsulation material is needed*



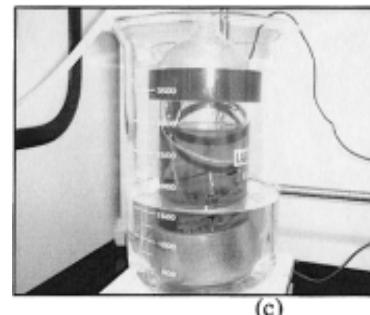
*Finite Element Mesh of a quarter symmetry capacitor showing the underfil and cover coat

Removable Encapsulation Is Used at Sandia to Support Stockpile Stewardship

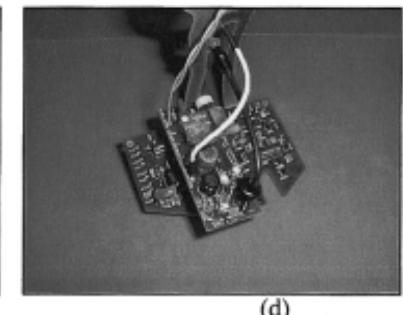
- Basic characterization and simple experimental demonstrations exist at Sandia and in the literature.
- Design/use is driven by experiment
- The effects of removability on the mechanical behavior of such materials during their service lifetimes have not been evaluated.



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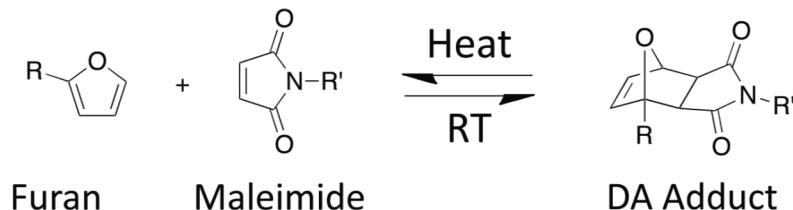
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McElhanon, *et al.* App. Polymer Sci., 2002

A foam fully encapsulating a PCB is non-destructively removed in the presence of a solvent at 40 Celcius.

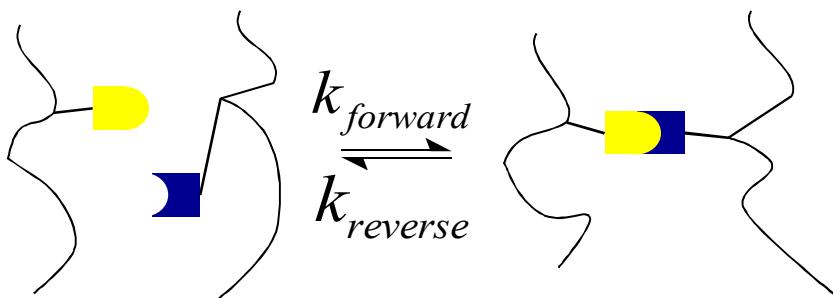
Removable Network Polymer Basics

Diels-Alder Thermal Chemistry*



“Removability” arises from the cleavage and reformation of function groups along the polymer chain.

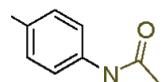
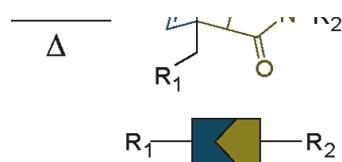
Network Scission/Reformation Mechanism



At Sandia, the thermally-activated Diels-Alder (DA) reaction is used to break and reform cross-links or chains.

When a sufficient number of cross-links break, the material behaves as a liquid (and can be removed)

Network Architecture**



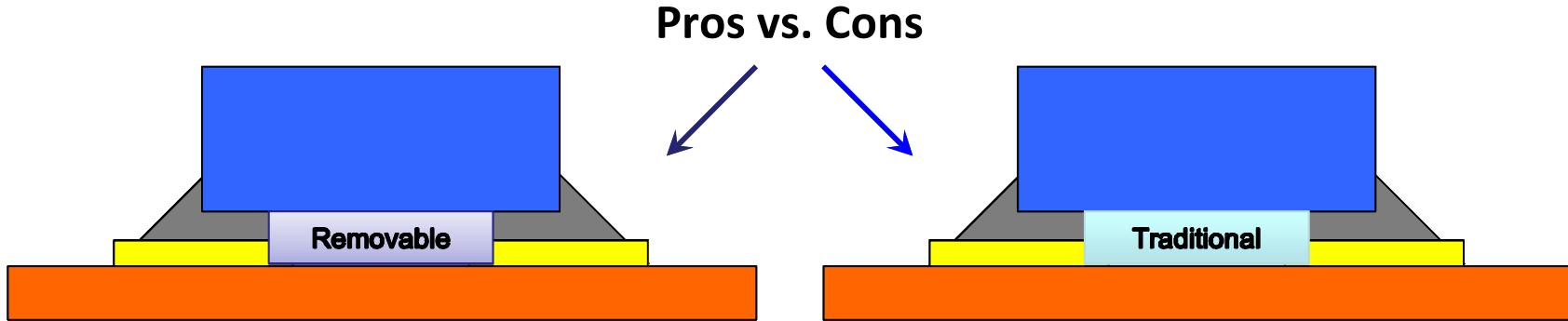
As cross-links break and reform, the network relaxes → the permanent shape of the material changes in time...

*McElhanon, Russick, Aubert, *Science Matters* SAND 2010

**Kloxin, et al. *Macromolecules*, 2010 d

Current Technology Gaps

- No theoretical/computational description of the effects of reversible chemistry on the performance of removable encapsulation *in service*



- Reversible chemistry effects on cure shrinkage stresses during encapsulation cure have not been studied
- No capability to predict behavior during removal

Our Approach And Goals

Develop a capability to predict the thermal-chemical-mechanical behavior of removable encapsulation to support Sandia's NW mission

Phase I: Multi-Physics Model Development

- Diels-Alder Thermal Chemistry
- Thermodynamics consistent constitutive equation

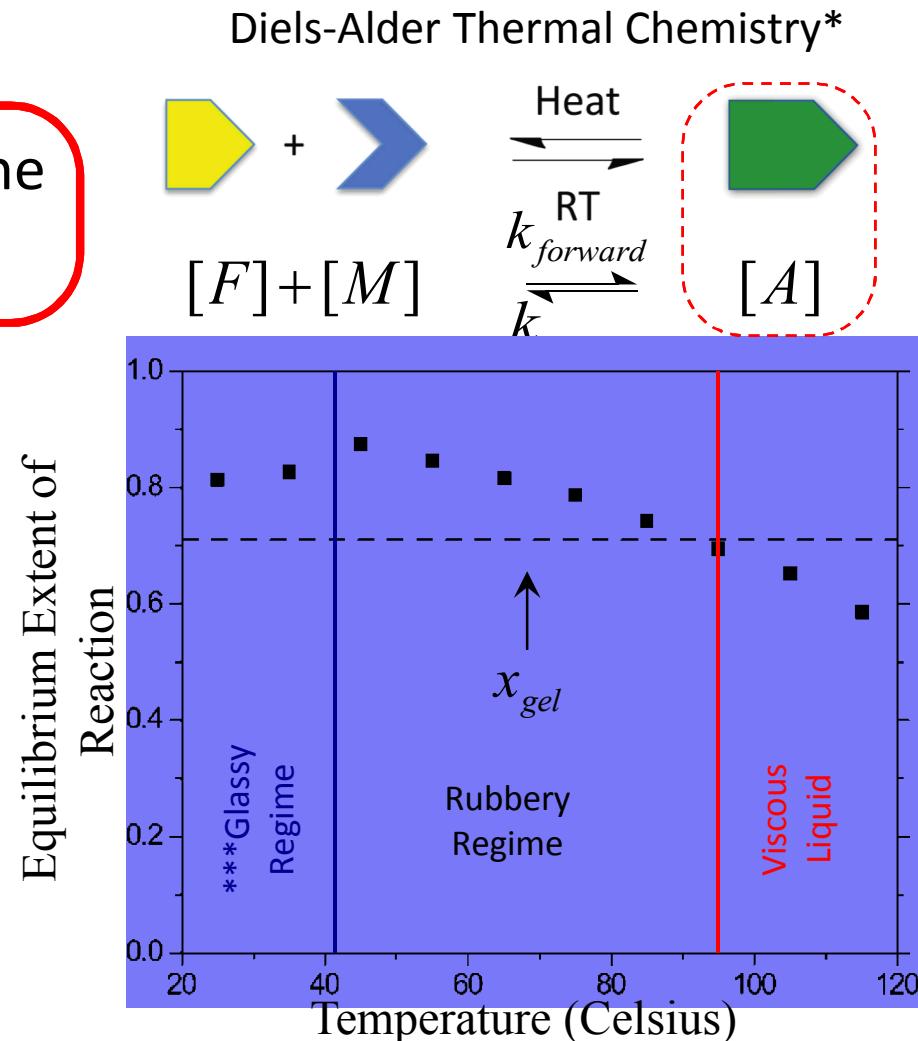
Phase II: Investigate the Effects of Network Evolution in Encapsulation Scenarios

- Compare the behaviors of removable vs. standard thermosets in weapon applications
- Improve the technology
 - Optimize the current design to take advantage of the removable chemistry
 - Provide input/direction for future designs

Diels Alder Thermal-Chemistry: Equilibrium

The cross-link density is set by the
Extent of Reaction ($[A]/[A]_{\max}$)

- The DA equilibrium reaction constant is temperature dependent and is set by the associated Gibbs free energy
- The transition solid to liquid polymer behavior is set by $[F]$, $[M]$, and $[F]/[M]$



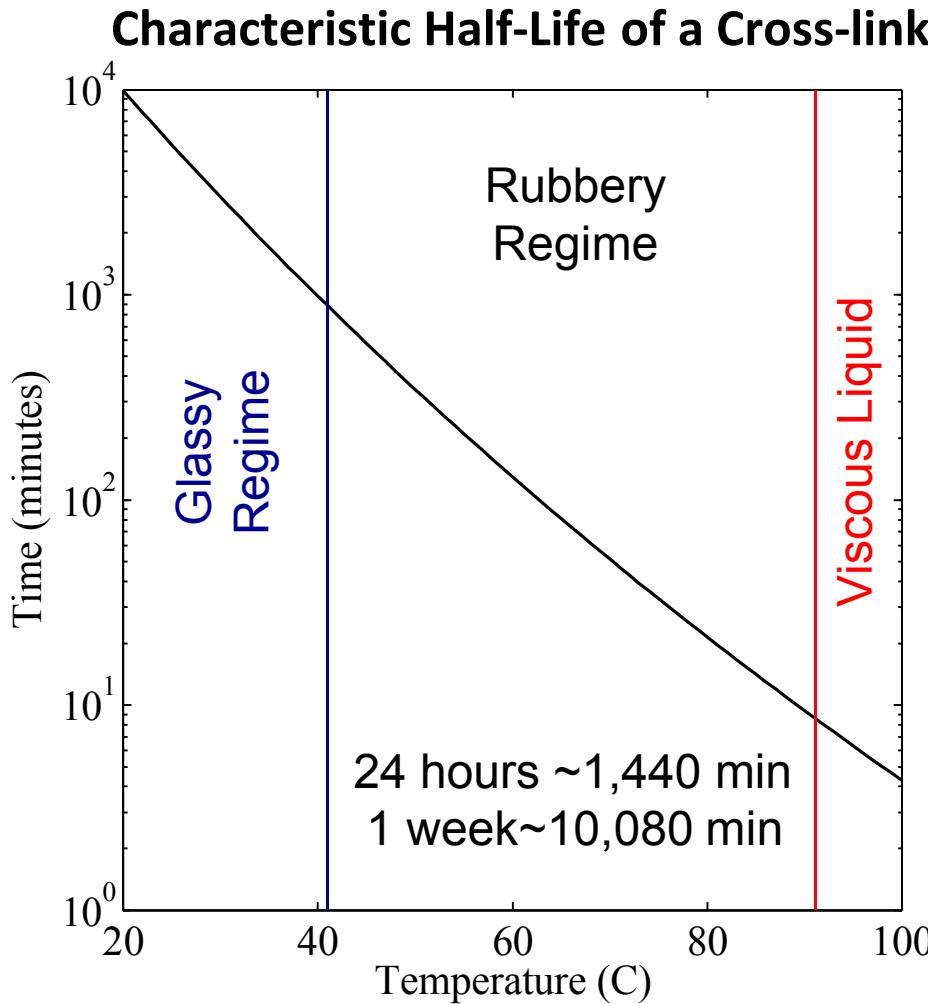
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**Adzima, *et al.* *Macromolecules*, 2008

***Vitrification prevents reaching eq. extent of reaction

Diels Alder Thermal-Chemistry: Kinetics

The DA chemistry cannot be arrested even at lower T
→ material always evolves



DA Kinetics Model Summary

- Assume second order thermal chemical kinetics
- Conservation statement of chemical species
- Thermally activated forward and reverse reaction rates

Constitutive Model: Free Energy

- Focus on rubbery (elastomeric) state:

$$T_{glass} < T < T_{gel}$$

- Equilibrium Helmholtz free energy associated with elastic deformation

$$\Psi(\mathbf{H}, T, x, \xi)$$

- Shear modulus dependence on T and x

$$\mu = \mu_0 (x - x_{gel}) k_{Boltzmann} T$$

- Equilibrium bulk modulus assumed constant

Thermodynamic Variables

Logarithmic Strain	\mathbf{H}
Absolute Temperature	T
Stress-Free Strain	ξ
Extent of Reaction	x

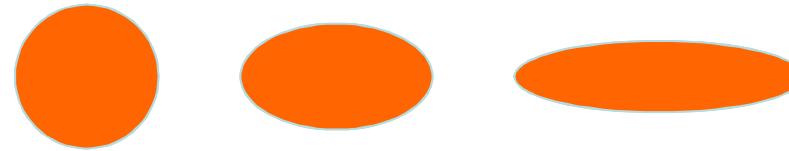
Shear modulus/free energy depend linearly on the cross-link density

Constitutive Model: Internal State Variable Evolution Rules

- Evolution of the stress-free shape:

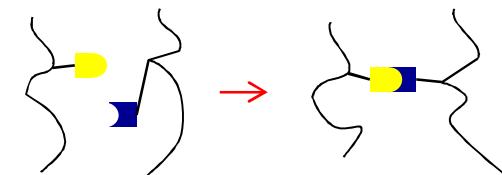
Adding/removing cross-links changes the permanent shape

$$\dot{\xi} = \frac{\dot{\mu}_+}{\mu} (\mathbf{H}_{dev} - \xi_{dev})$$



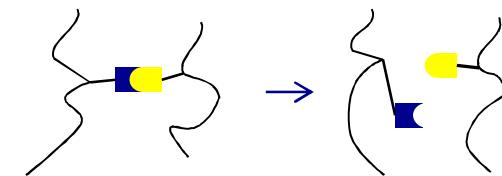
- Forward reaction increases the shear modulus:

$$\dot{\mu}_+ = \frac{\mu_0 K k_r}{2} [A_{max}] (1 - x)^2 \quad \text{if } x > x_{gel}$$



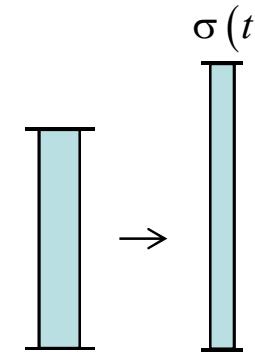
- Reverse reaction decreases the shear modulus:

$$\dot{\mu}_- = \mu_0 k_r x \quad \text{if } x > x_{gel}$$

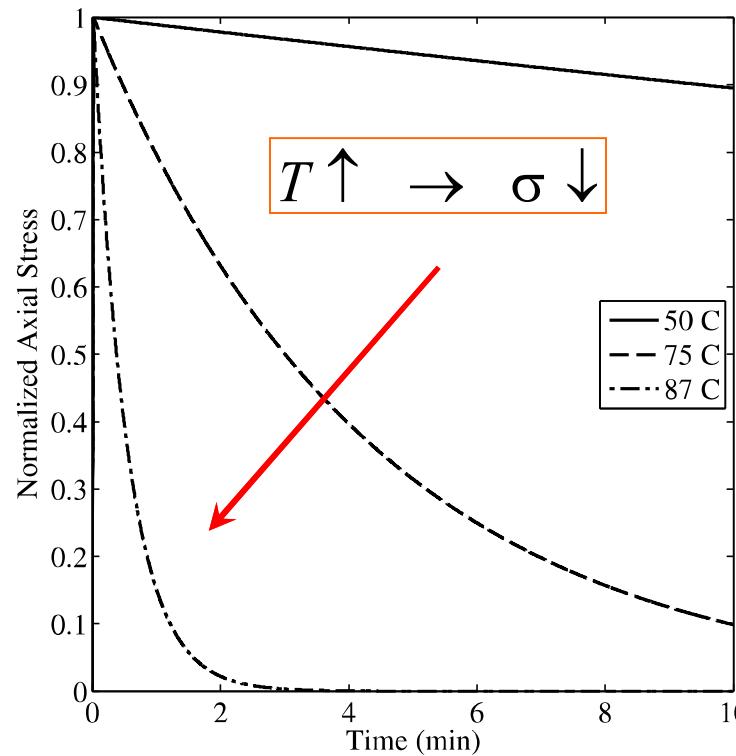


Current Results: Demonstration of Isothermal Stress Relaxation

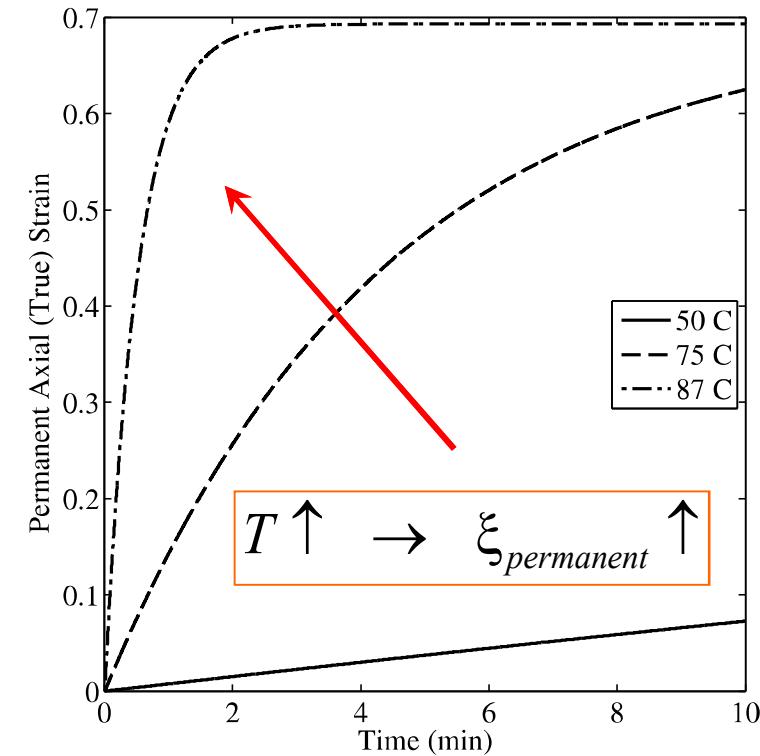
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Normalized Axial Stress



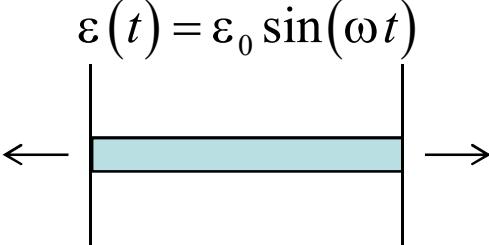
Permanent Axial Deformation



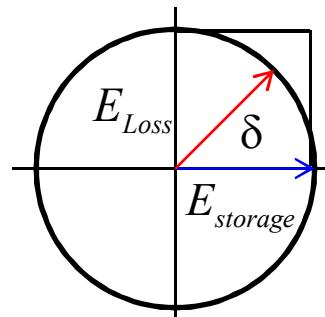
Current Results: Validation Against Dynamic Mechanical Analysis Data

- Examine the dissipation behavior of cyclically loaded specimens

$\varepsilon(t) = \varepsilon_0 \sin(\omega t)$

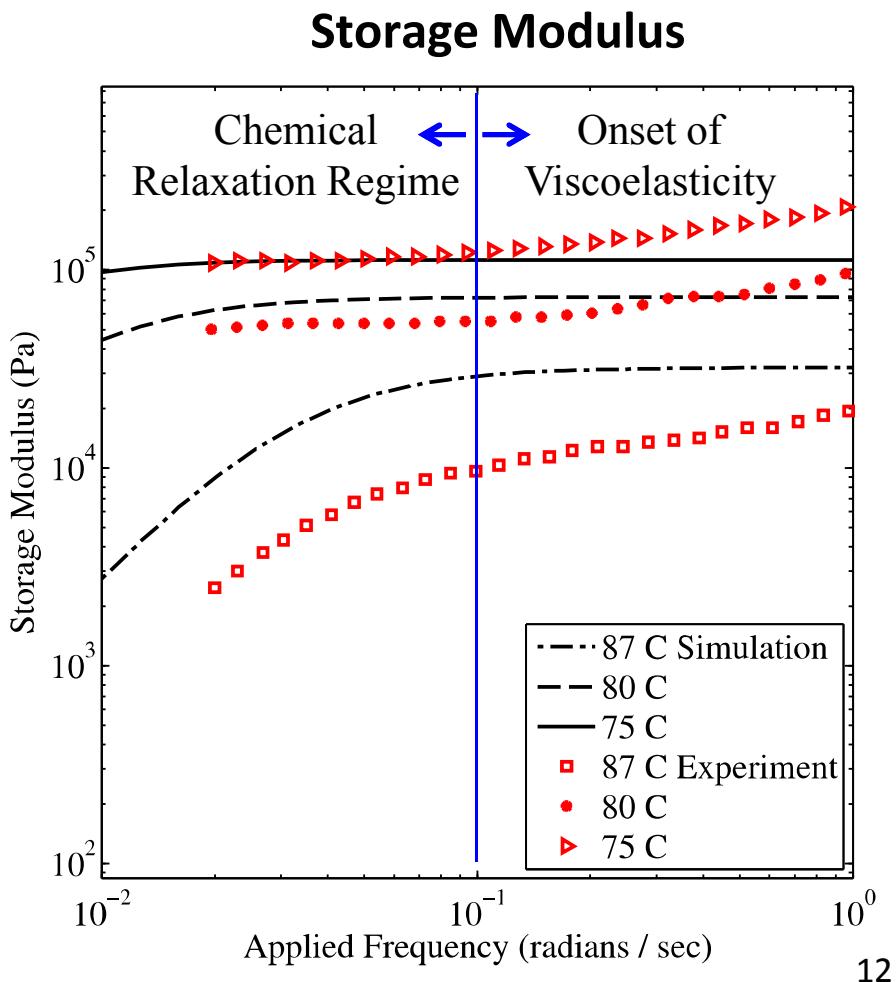


Apply an oscillating strain



Record the complex modulus

No Fitting Parameters in the Model



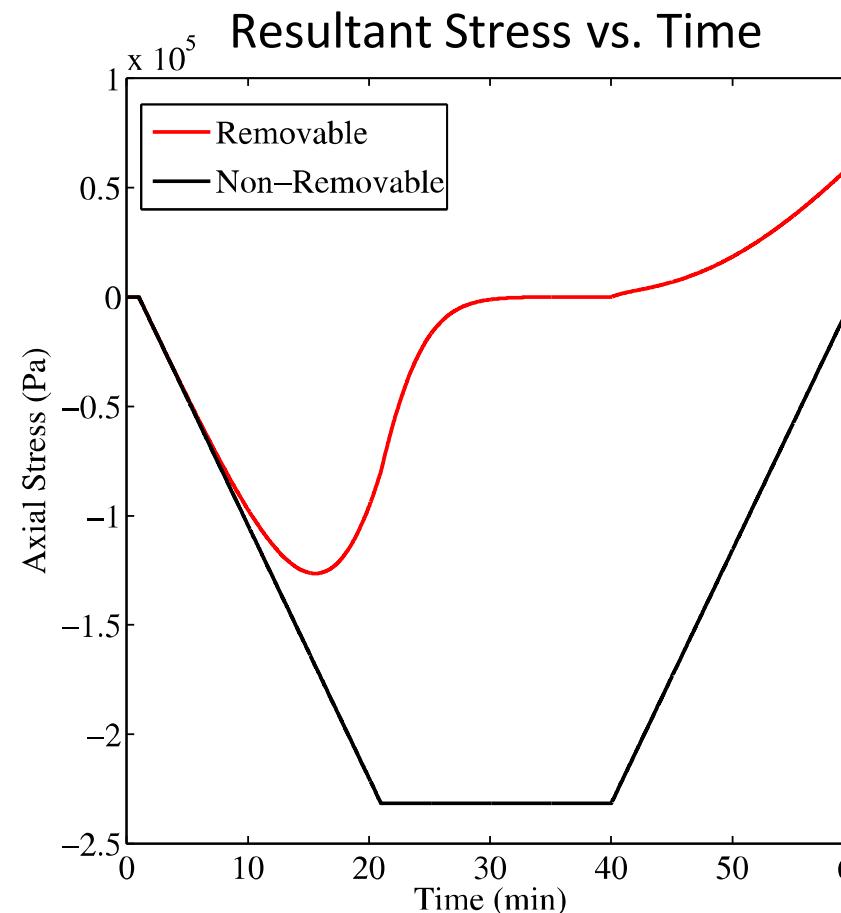
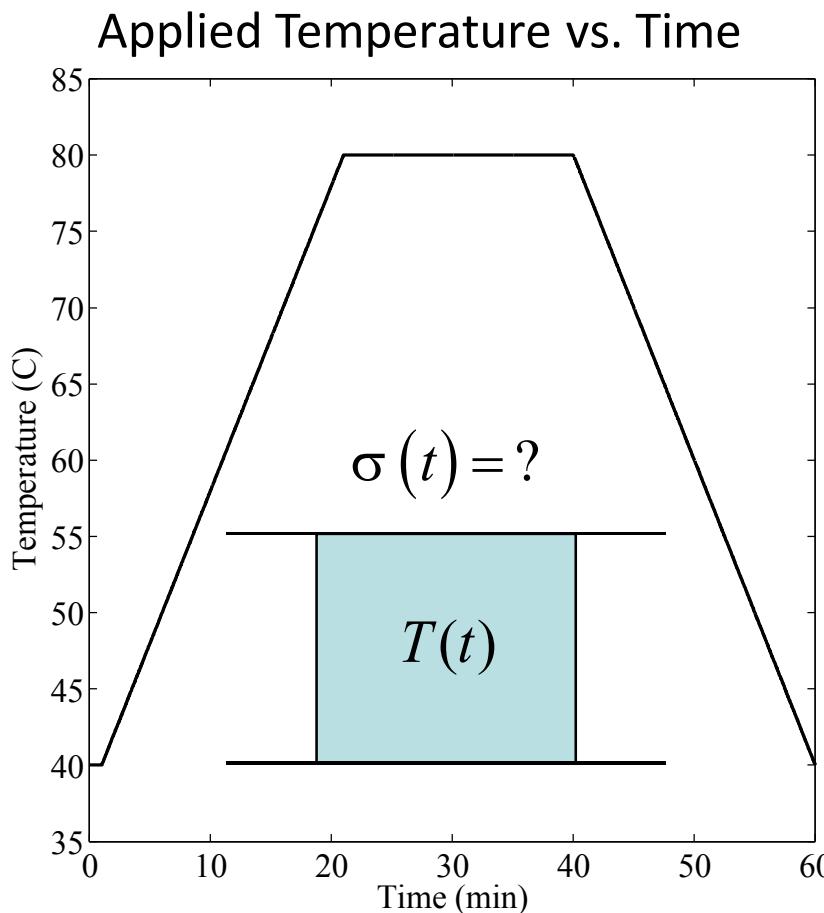
Current Results: Effects of Permanent Shape Evolution During a Thermal Cycle

Thermal-Mechanical Cycle

- Specify temperature history
- Fix deformation in 1 direction

“To Flow, or Not to Flow...?”

Reversible Chemistry Reduces Peak Stresses



Future Work

Phase I: Multi-Physics Model Development

- Currently adding Sandia's non-linear viscoelastic model for amorphous thermosets to capture the glassy behavior
- Currently augmenting the permanent deformation tensor evolution to account for the *Loss of Cross-links*

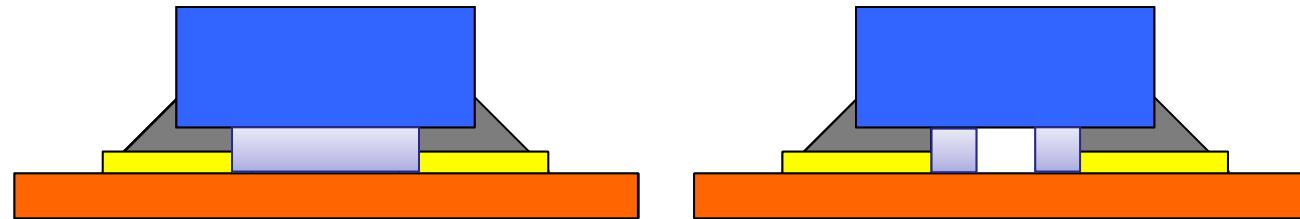
$$\dot{\xi} = \frac{\dot{\mu}_+}{\mu} (\mathbf{H}_{dev} - \xi_{dev}) \rightarrow fun(\dot{\mu}_+, \dot{\mu}_-, \mu, \mathbf{H}_{dev}, \xi_{dev})$$

- Ensure updated model consistency with the Second Law of Thermodynamics

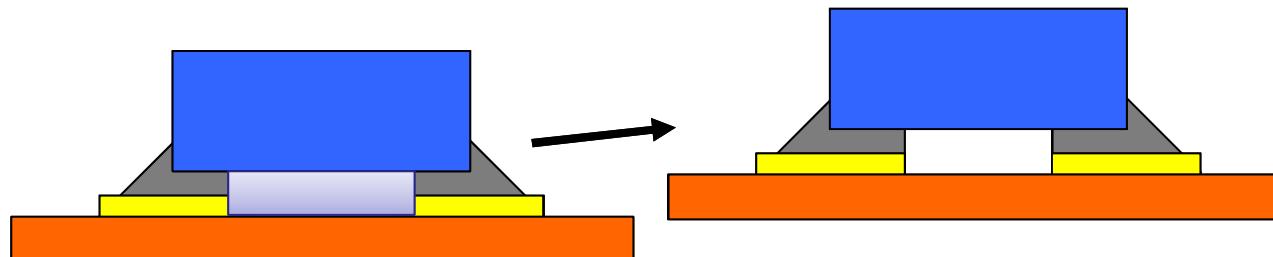
Future Work

Phase II

- Examine/optimize the effects of cross-link evolution and the role of confinement, voids, free surfaces in real encapsulation scenarios



- Simulate the process of removing the polymer and the effects of surface tension via coupling with in house fluids codes



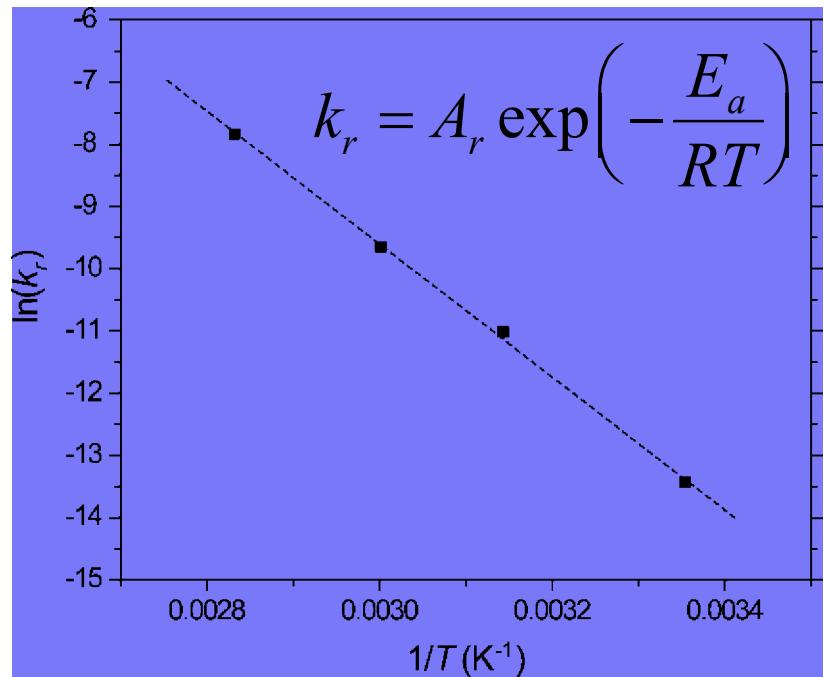
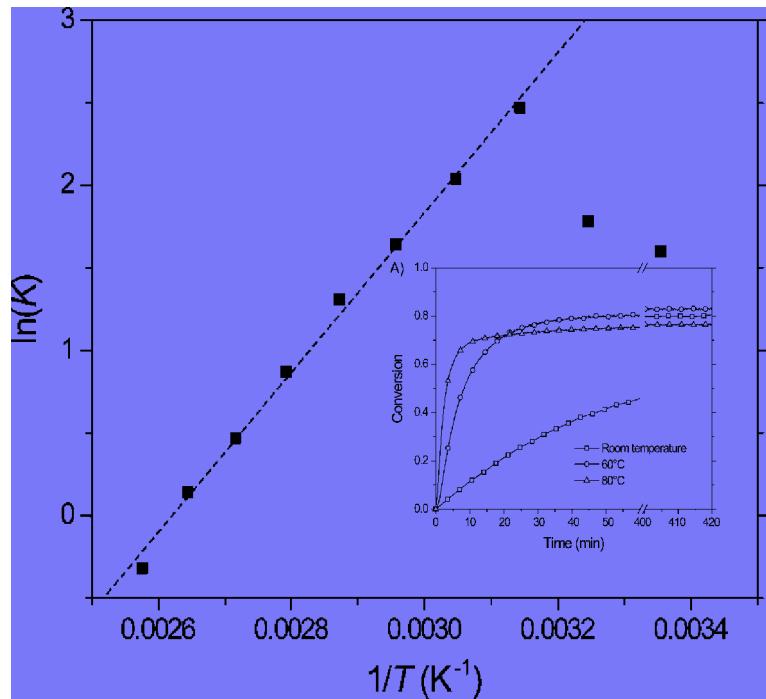
Summary

- A **multi-physics constitutive framework** was developed to represent removable encapsulation
 - Adding/removing cross-links relaxes the state of stress and causes permanent shape change
 - The kinetics of adding/removing cross-links can be slowed, but it cannot be shutoff
- Model implemented in the **Sierra Mechanics Code Suite**
- The effects of **reversible chemistry** may beneficially **mitigate stresses** developed during thermal cycling of encapsulation materials.

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SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Equilibrium And Chemical Kinetics



Assuming equal concentrations of $[F], [M]$

$$K = \frac{[A]}{[M][F]} = \frac{x}{c_0(1-x)^2}$$

At the reaction equilibrium:

$$0 = \frac{d[F]}{dt} = -k_f[F][M] + k_r[A] \rightarrow K = \frac{k_f}{k_r}$$

Adzima, *et al.* *Macromolecules*, 2008

Equilibrium Helmholtz Free Energy Per Unit Mass

- Focus on $T_{\text{glass}} < T < T_{\text{gel}}$
- Equilibrium Helmholtz Free Energy expanded via a functional Taylor series about a reference state:
- Thermodynamic Variables

$$\Psi(\mathbf{H}, T, x, \xi)$$

Hencky Strain
Temperature

\mathbf{H} Extent of Reaction
 T Stress-Free Strain

x
 ξ

$$\Psi(\mathbf{H}, T, x, \xi) = \Psi_{\text{ref}} + \Psi_I I_{1H} + \Psi_T (T - T_{\text{ref}}) + \Psi_x (x - x_{\text{ref}}) + \dots$$

0th and 1st
Order

$$\dots \frac{1}{2} K_{\text{BULK}} I_{1H}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \Psi_{TT} (T - T_{\text{ref}})^2 + \frac{1}{2} \Psi_{xx} (x - x_{\text{ref}})^2 + \dots$$

2nd Order

$$\dots K_{\text{BULK}} \alpha_{\text{vol}} I_{1H} (T - T_{\text{ref}}) + \Psi_{xT} (x - x_{\text{ref}}) (T - T_{\text{ref}}) + \dots$$

$$\dots \mu (\mathbf{H}_{\text{dev}} - \xi) : (\mathbf{H}_{\text{dev}} - \xi) + \Psi_{xH} (x - x_{\text{ref}}) I_{1H} + \text{HOTs}$$

Cross-
Terms

Thermodynamic Considerations

Principal Inequality of Rational Mechanics (PIRM) on combining:

- Energy Balance
- Helmholtz Free Energy Sensitivity
- Second Law (Total Entropy Production Clausius-Duhem)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \left(\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \mathbf{E}} - \frac{1}{\rho_{ref}} \mathbf{S} \right) : \frac{d\mathbf{E}}{dt} - \left(\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial T} - \eta \right) : \frac{dT}{dt} \dots \\
 \dots & - \left(\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \nabla T} \bullet \frac{d\nabla T}{dt} + \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \xi} : \frac{d\xi}{dt} + \frac{1}{\rho T} \mathbf{q} \bullet \nabla \mathbf{T} \right) \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Coleman and Gurtin, J. Chem. Phys., 1967

Thermodynamic Considerations



PIRM Constrains Time Evolution of Internal State Variables and Identifies Work Conjugate Variable Pairs

Second PK Stress

$$\mathbf{S} = \rho_{ref} \left(\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \mathbf{E}} \right)_{T,x,\xi} = \rho_{ref} \left(\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \mathbf{H}} \right)_{T,x,\xi} : \frac{d \mathbf{H}}{d \mathbf{E}} = \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{H}} : \frac{d \mathbf{H}}{d \mathbf{E}},$$

$$\eta = - \left(\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \mathbf{T}} \right)_{\mathbf{E},\mathbf{x},\xi}.$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \xi} : \frac{d \xi}{dt} \right) \leq 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho T} \mathbf{q} \bullet \nabla \mathbf{T} \leq 0$$

Hencky Stress and Simplifications

The work conjugate Hencky Stress:

$$\mathbf{S}_H(\mathbf{H}, T, x, \xi) = \rho_{ref} \left(\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \mathbf{H}} \right)_{T, x, \xi} = 2\mu(\mathbf{H}_{dev} - \xi) + \dots$$

$$\dots + \mathbf{1} \left(\Psi_I + K_{BULK} I_{1H} + K_{BULK} \alpha_{vol} (T - T_{ref}) + \Psi_{xH} (x - x_{ref}) \right) + HOTs$$

Assume that: $\Psi_I = \Psi_{xH} = HOTs = 0$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{S}_H(\mathbf{H}, T, x, \xi) = 2\mu(\mathbf{H}_{dev} - \xi) + \mathbf{1} \left(K_{BULK} I_{1H} + K_{BULK} \alpha_{vol} (T - T_{ref}) \right)}$$

Equilibrium Model Inputs

Material Properties

μ_0 Reference Equilibrium Shear Modulus

x_{gel} Gel Point Adduct Extent of Reaction

c_0 Net [F],[M],[A] concentrations normalized to [A_{max}]

$K(T)$ Equilibrium constant vs. Temperature for [F],[M], and [A]

A_r rDA reaction pre-factor

E_a rDA reaction activation energy

K_{bulk} Equilibrium Bulk Modulus

ΔH^Θ Standard Enthalpy of the DA Reaction

ΔS^Θ Standard entropy of the DA Reaction

Model Inputs and Calibration

Initial Conditions

T_0 Reference State Temperature

x_0 Reference State Adduct reaction extent

ξ_0 Reference State Stress Free Configuration

- Reference state chosen at $T_0=75C$
 - $E_{young} \sim 0.1 \text{ Mpa}$
 - Assume:

$$K_{bulk} / \mu_0 \sim 10^4$$

- All thermal-chemical constants extracted directly from Adzima *et al.* 2008

Dynamic Mechanical Analysis: Load Cases

