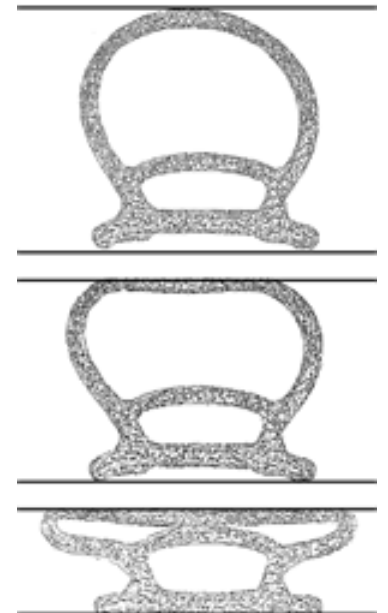


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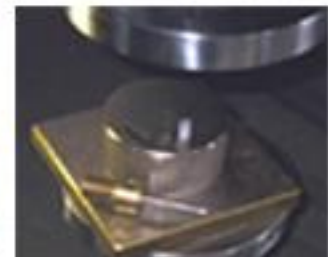
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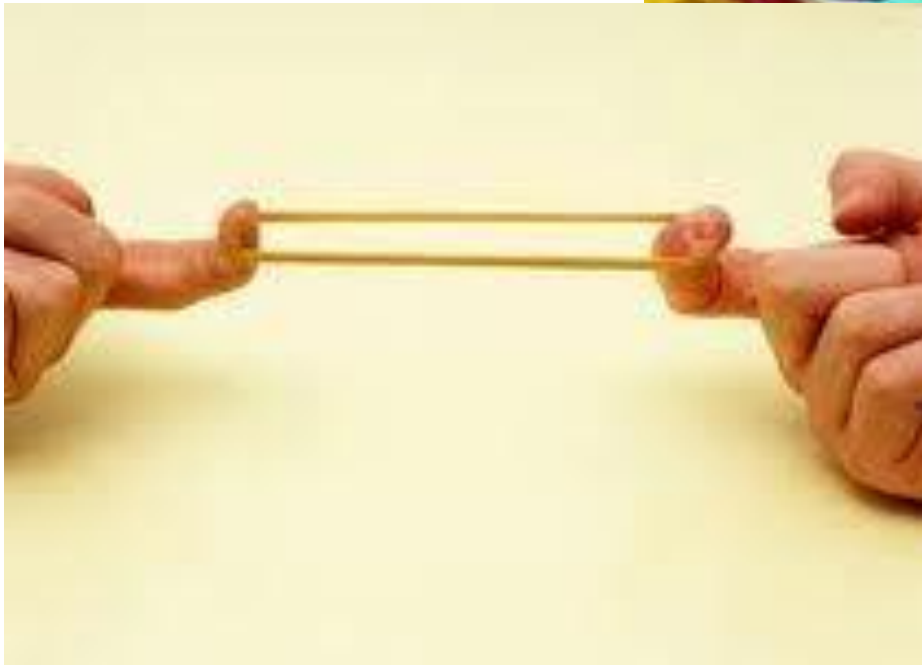
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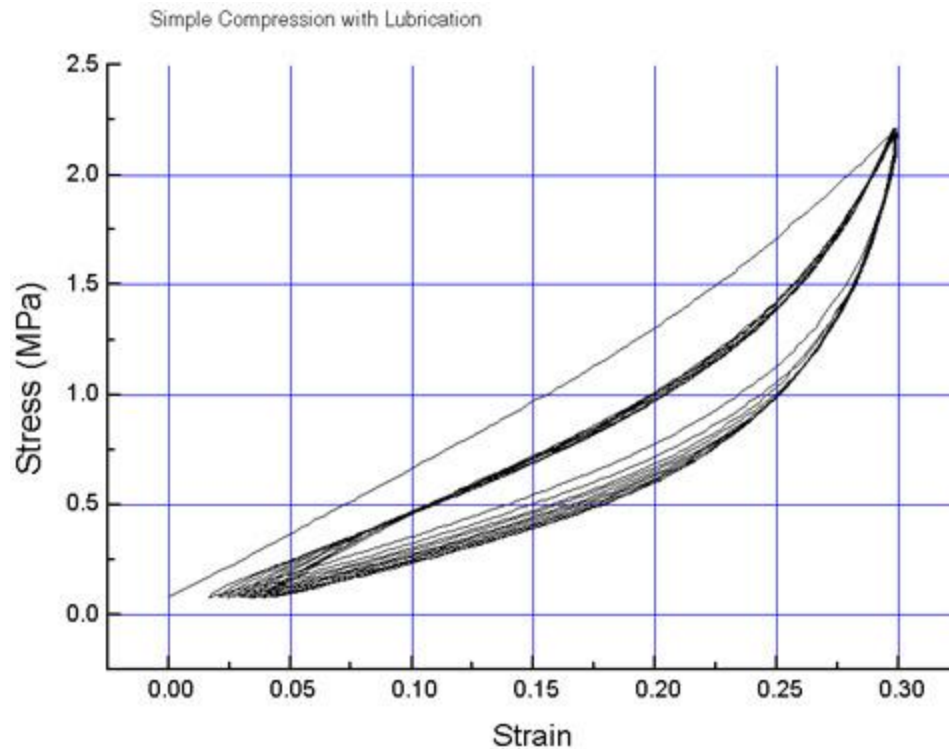
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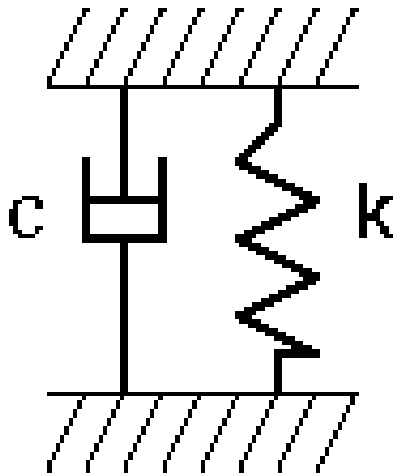


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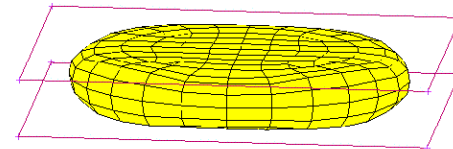
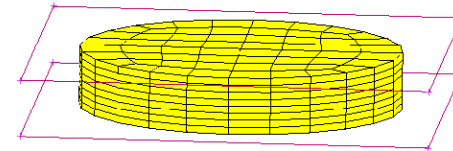


A Spring and a Dashpot?

1. Picture of Spring and dashpot



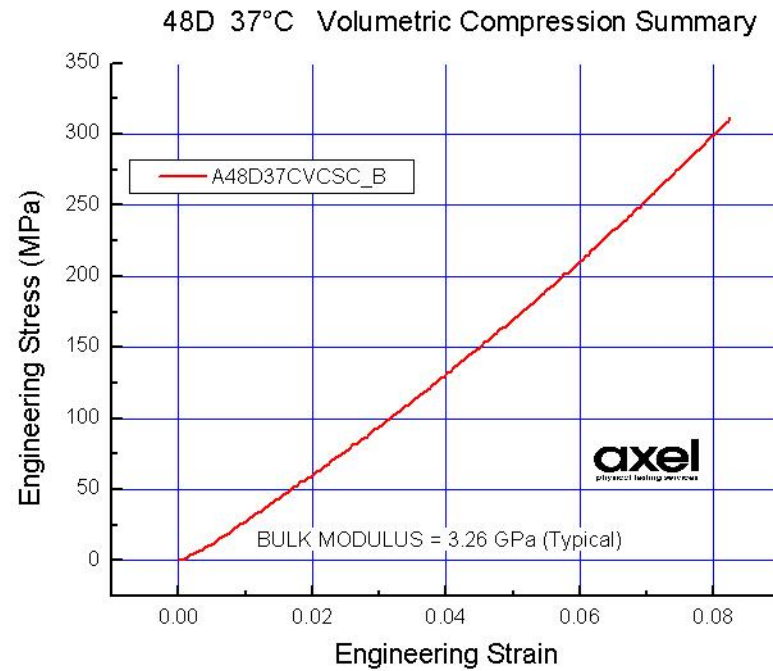
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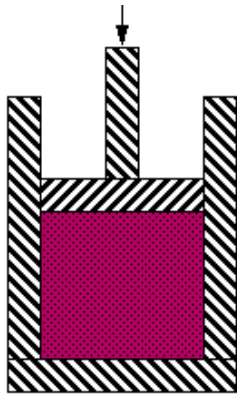
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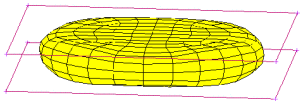
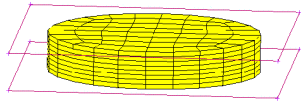


What does Incompressible Mean?



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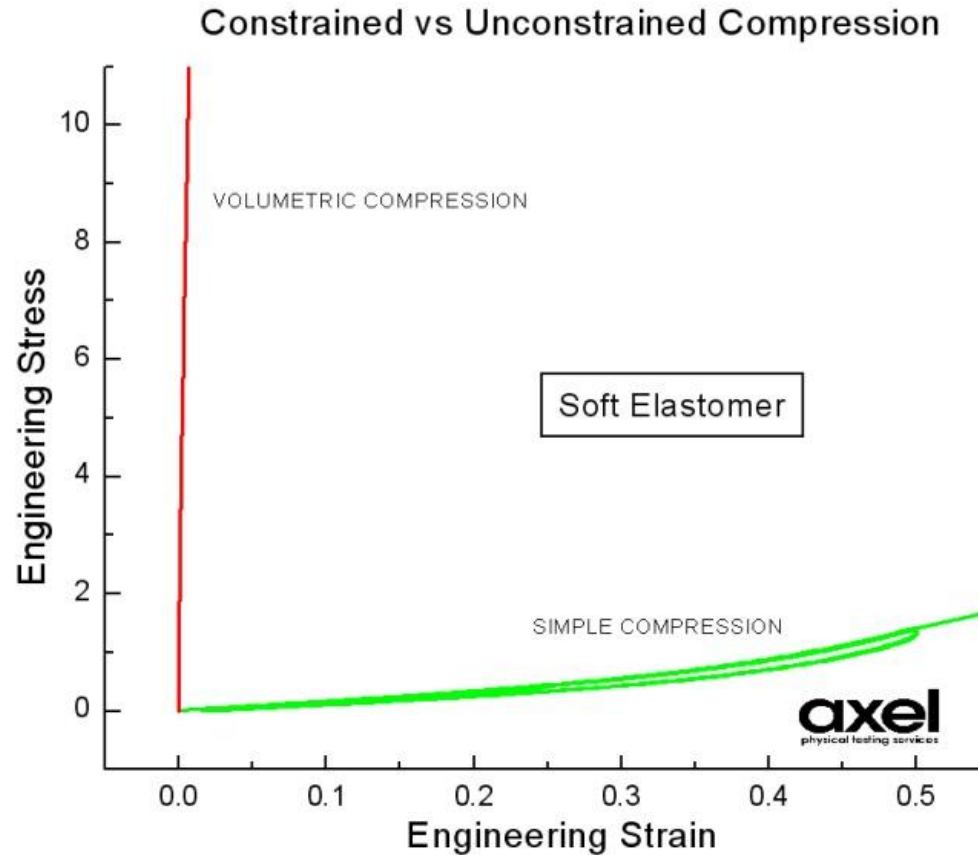
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Incompressibility



Not a spring and dashpot

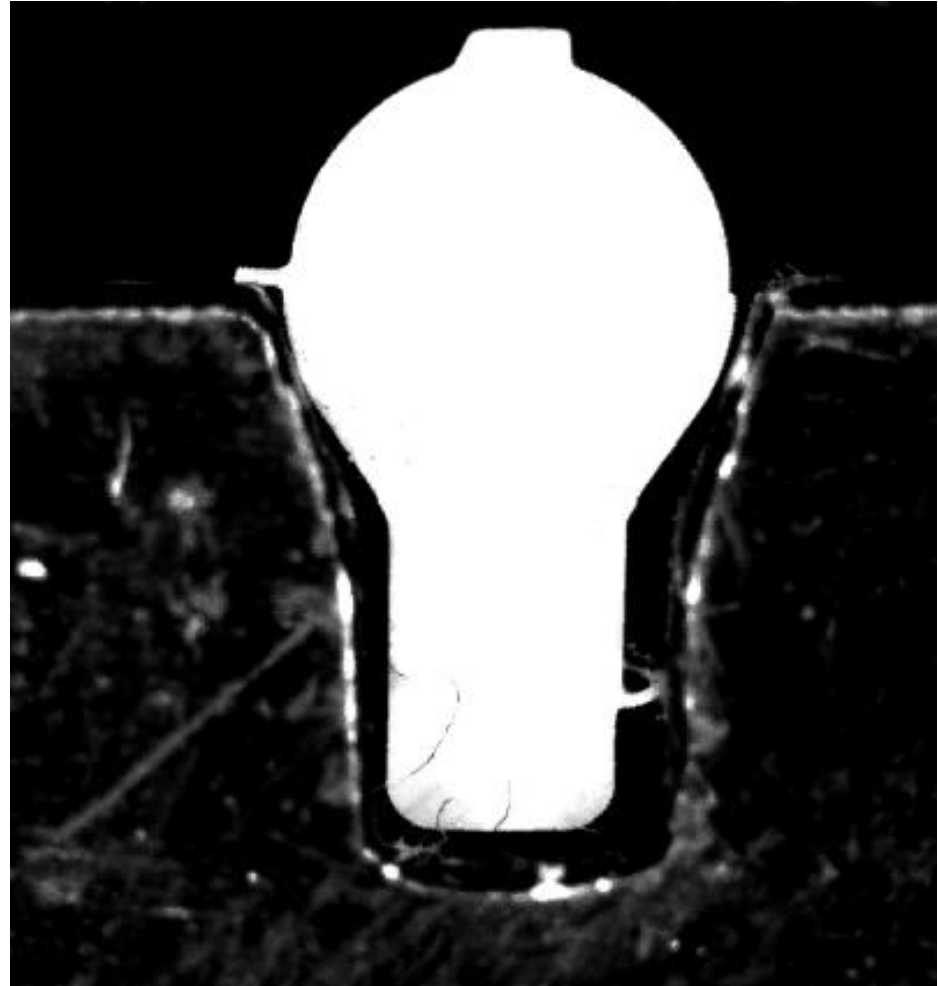


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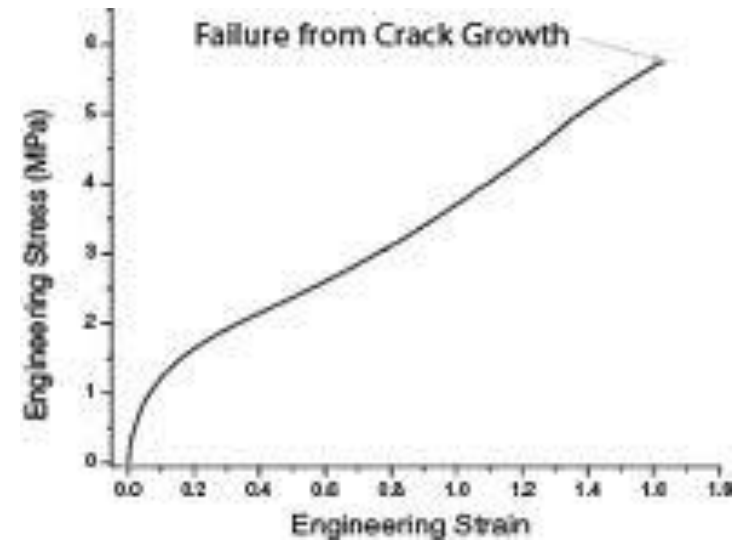
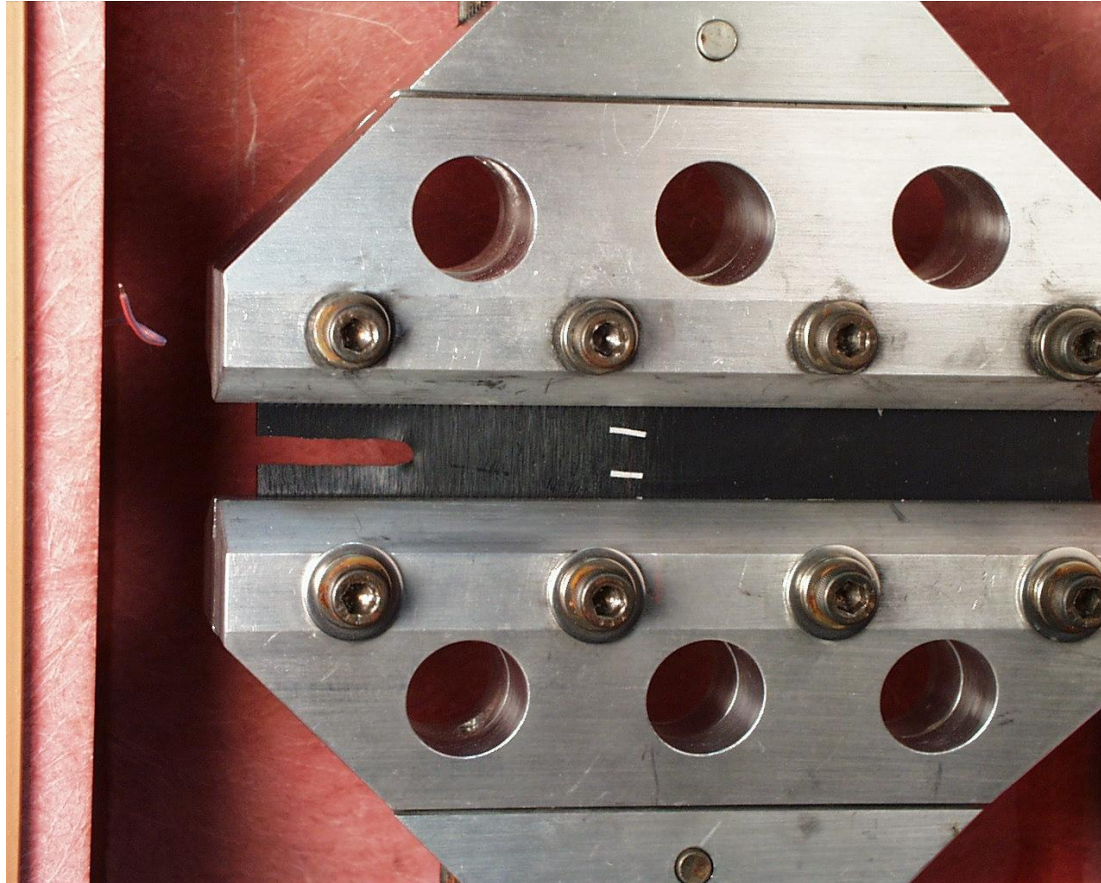


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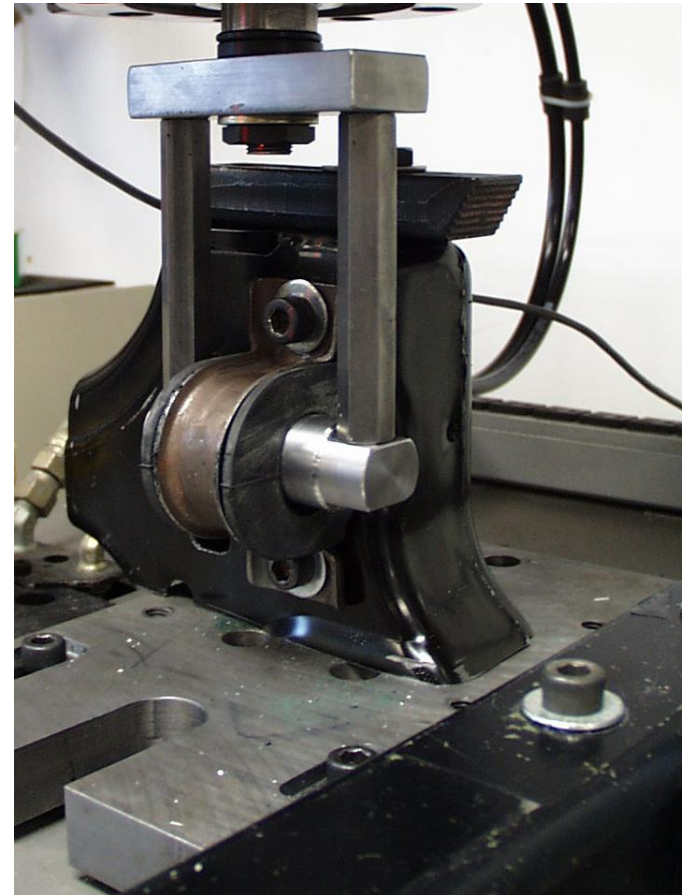
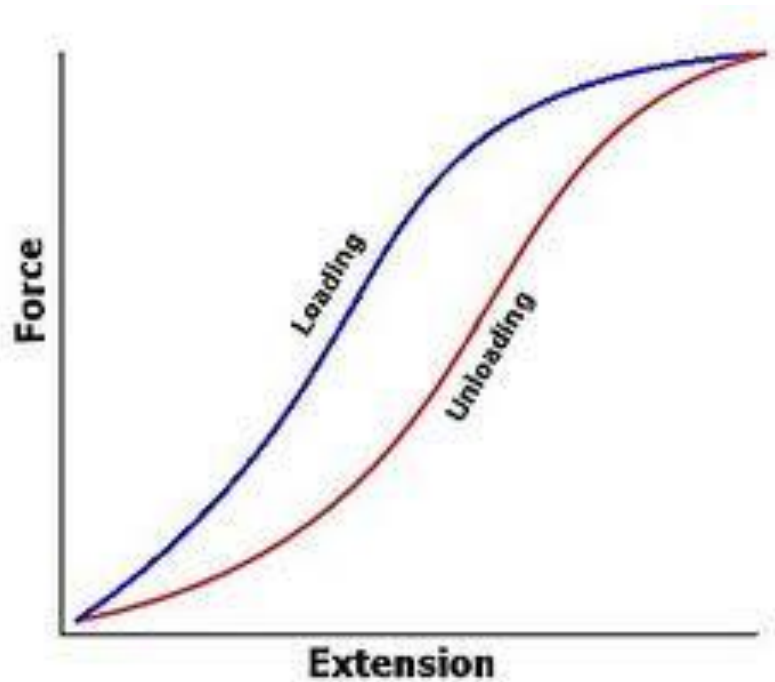
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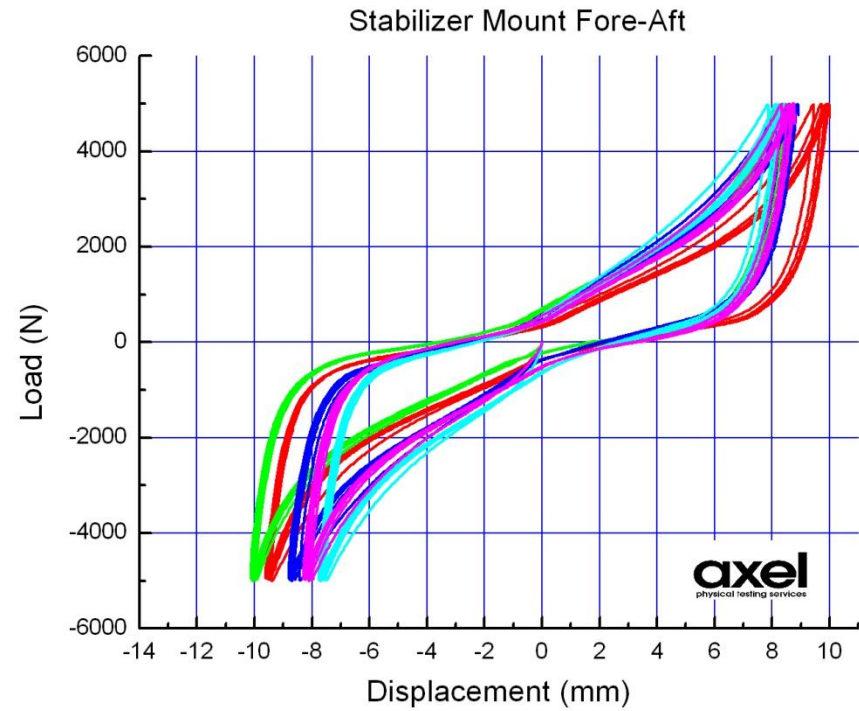
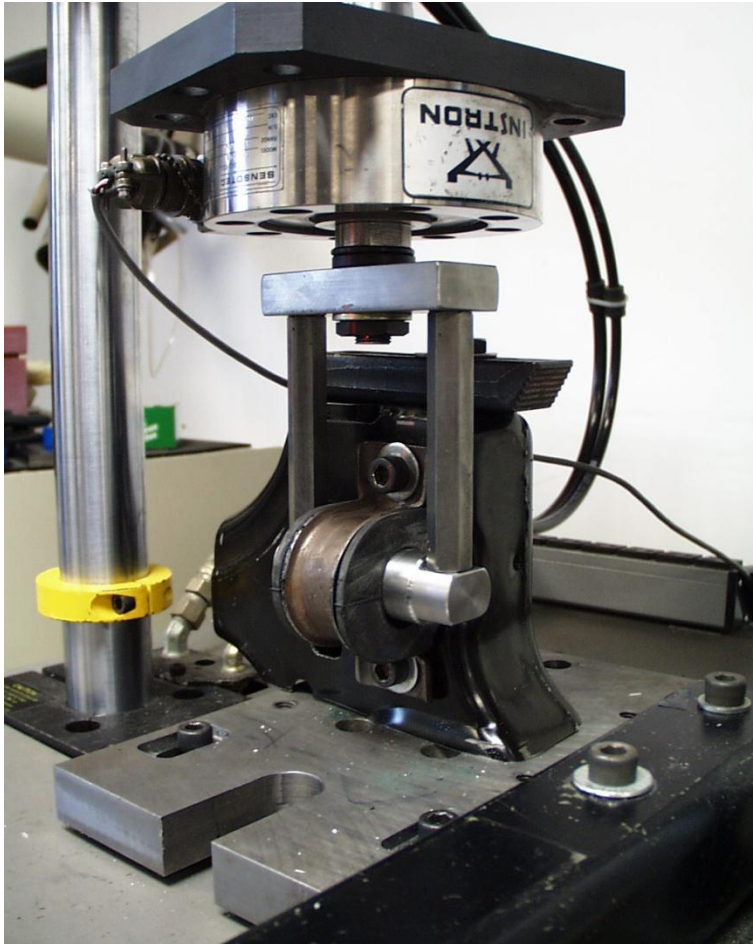
Tough, Resist Tearing



Energy Absorbing



Make Heat, Insulate



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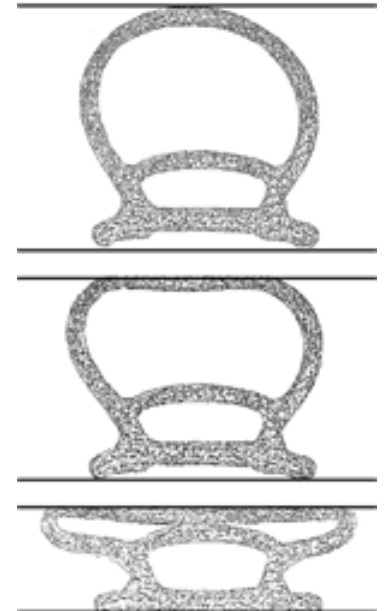
- Incompressibility Matters beyond Intuition
- NOT a Spring and Dashpot
- Great advantages can be had
- Can be Tough
- Can Absorb Energy

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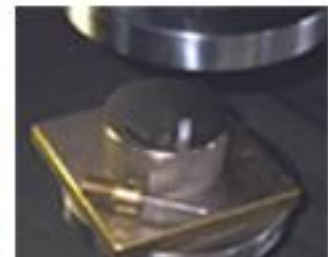
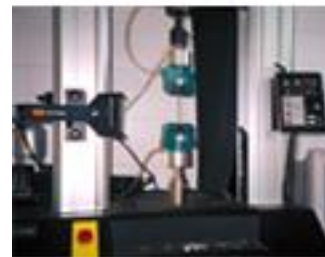
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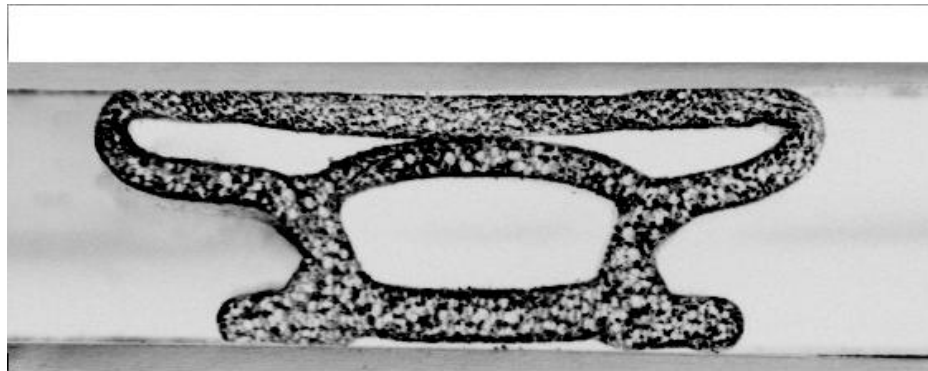
1. General Strategy
2. Basic Hyperelastic
3. Basic Viscoelastic
4. Thermal Effects
5. Dynamic Measurements

A General Strategy

1. Understand the Loading Conditions of the Part
2. Understand the General Behavior of the Materials Involved
3. Select the Material Behaviors Significant to the Simulation Effort
4. Use Existing or Develop Material Models to Describe the Behavior
5. Verify the Performance of the Material Model

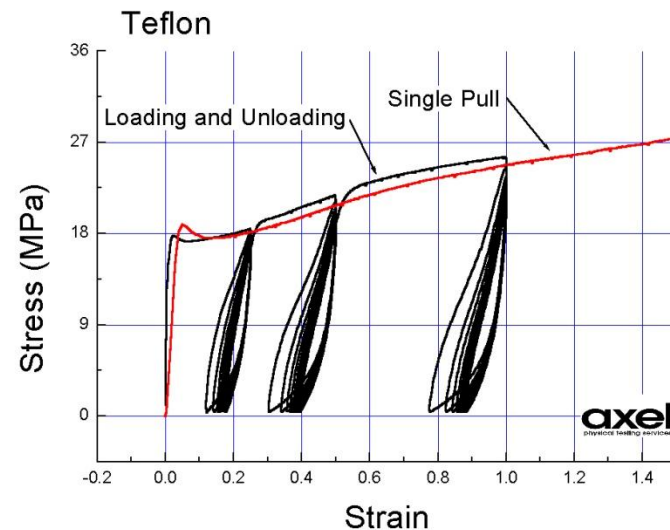
Loading Conditions of the Part

1. Stress and Strain Estimates
2. Thermal Estimates
3. History of the part from Birth to Use



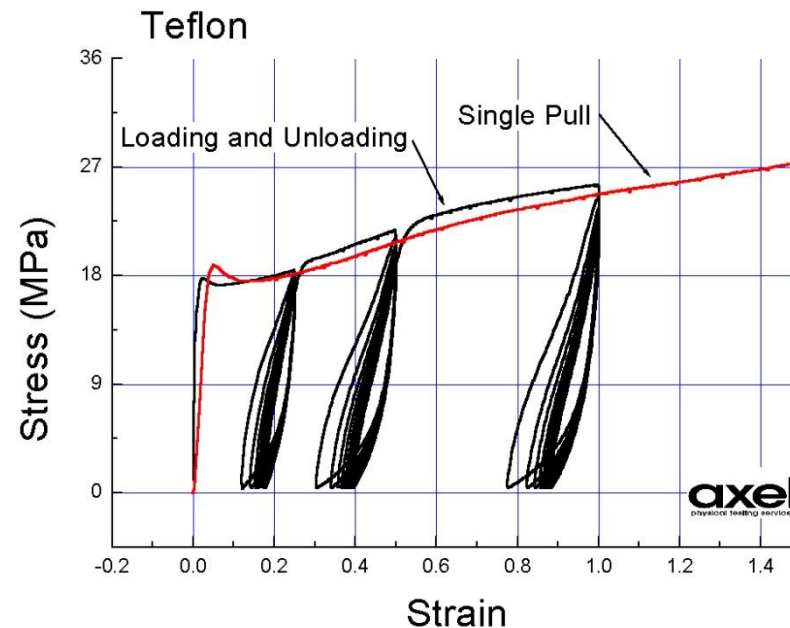
Understand the General Behavior of the Materials Involved

1. Is it elastic?
2. Does it melt?
3. Have we used this stuff before?



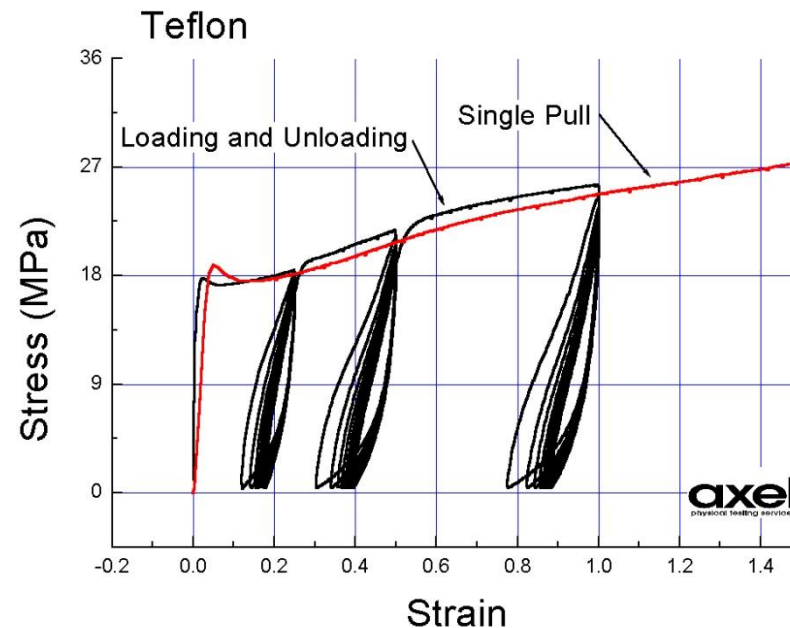
Select the Material Behaviors Significant to the Simulation Effort

1. You can't model it all.
2. Is it really rate sensitive?
3. This requires judgment.



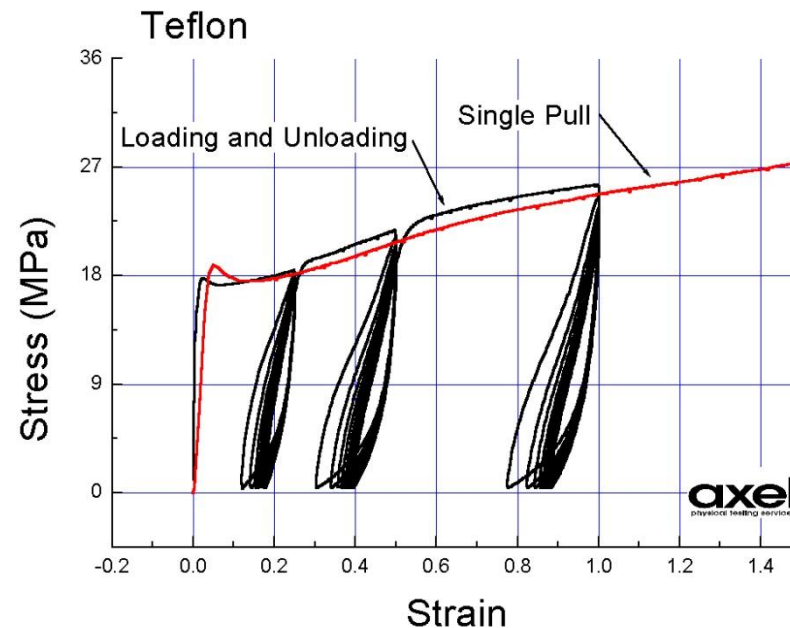
Use Existing or Develop Material Models to Describe the Behavior

1. What material model fits if any?
2. Write a material model of your own.
3. What are the limitations of the model?



Verify the Performance of the Material Model

1. Don't trust the model.
2. Model back experimental data.
3. Design partial part experiments.

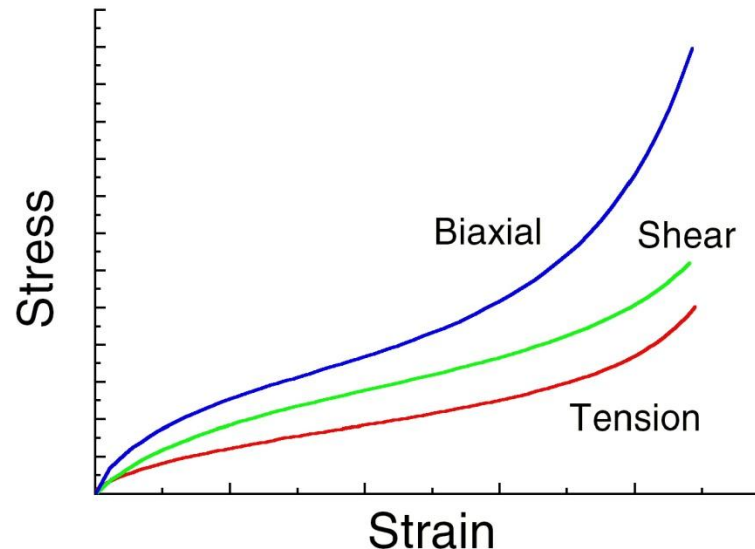


Laboratory Experiments

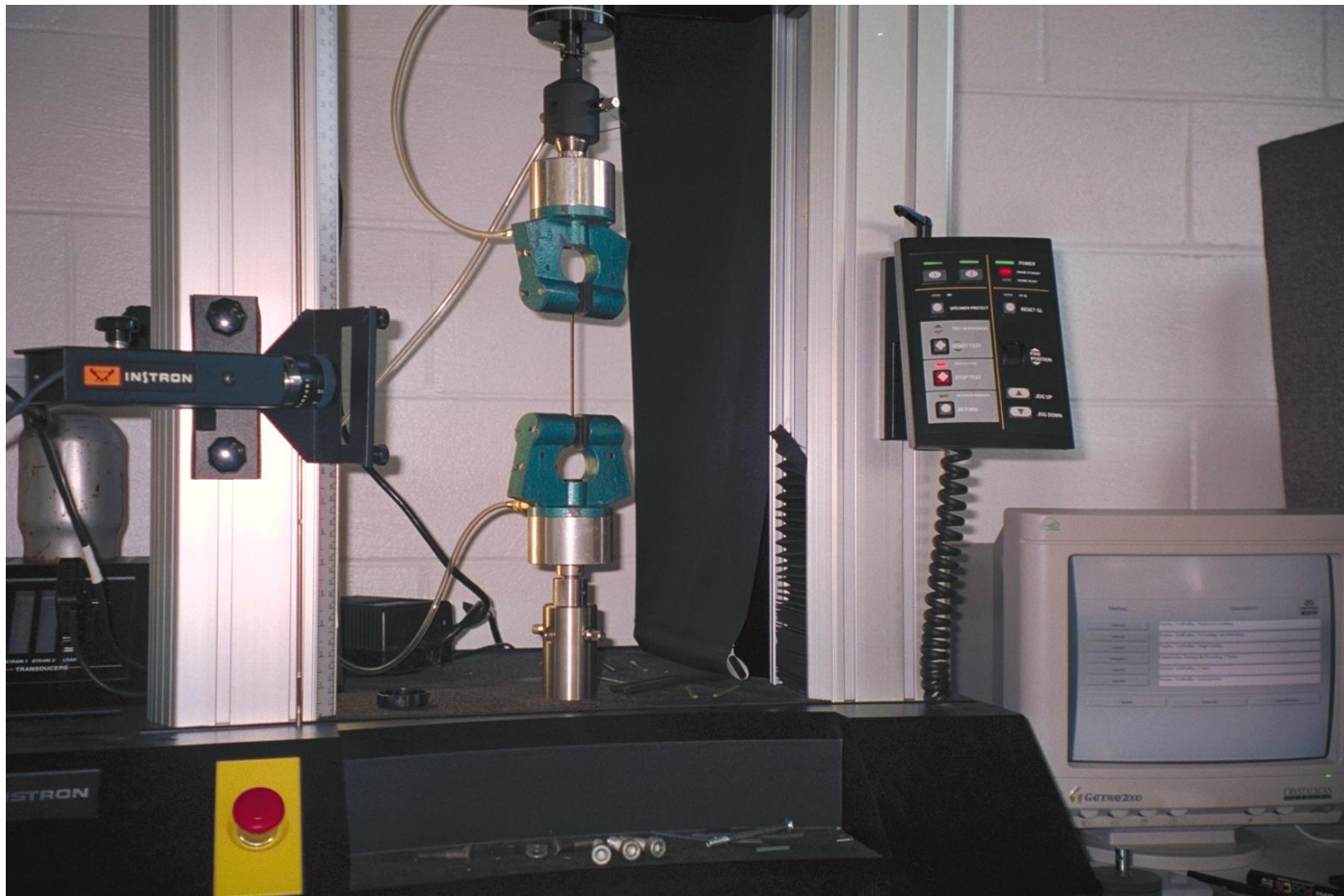
1. Defined by Standards Organizations such as ISO, ASTM or UL Labs
2. Experiments Defined within your Company by Somebody Else, Historical
3. Experiments to Simulate Product In Use
4. Investigative Experiments to Determine Fundamental Material Properties

Basic Hyperelastic

1. Pure States of Strain or Stress
2. Loading Conditions
3. The Right Material



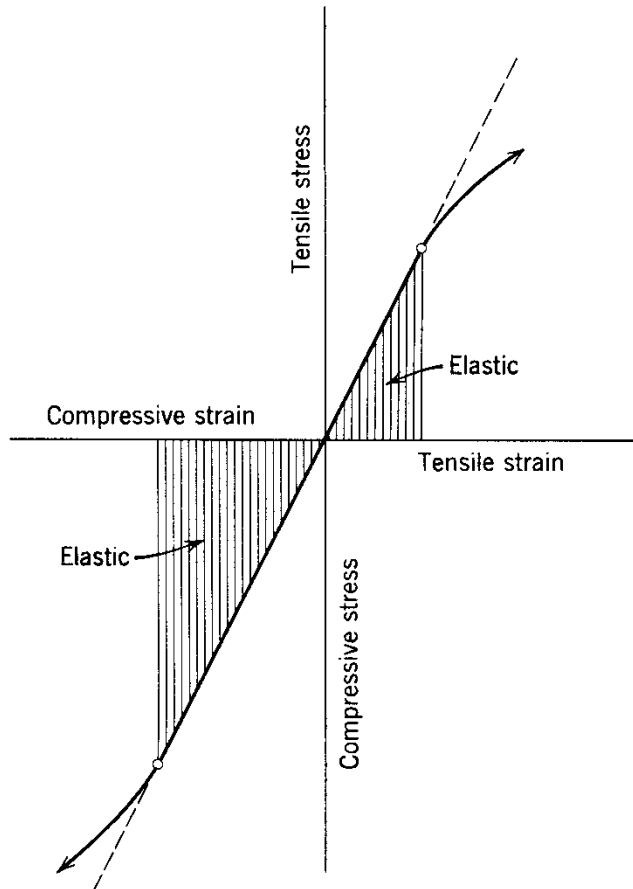
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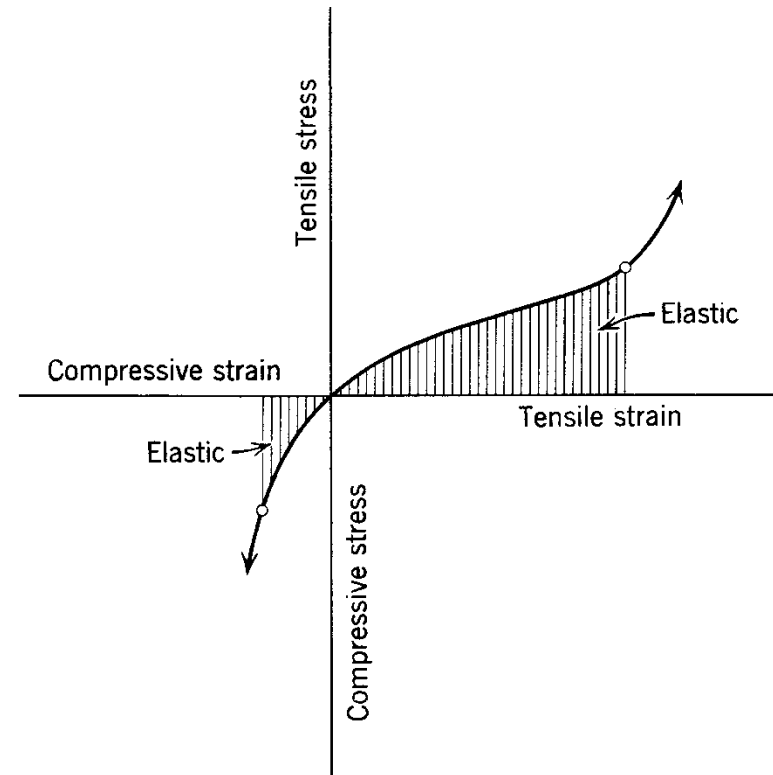
Crystalline Solid

Small elastic strain (.2%)
Plastic yielding
Tension / Comp. Similar

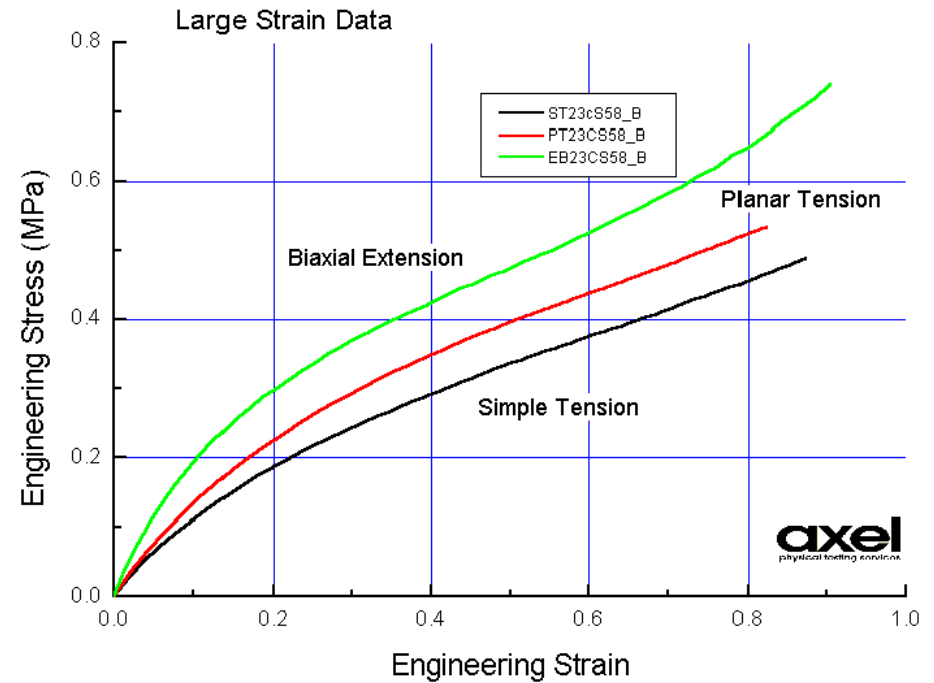
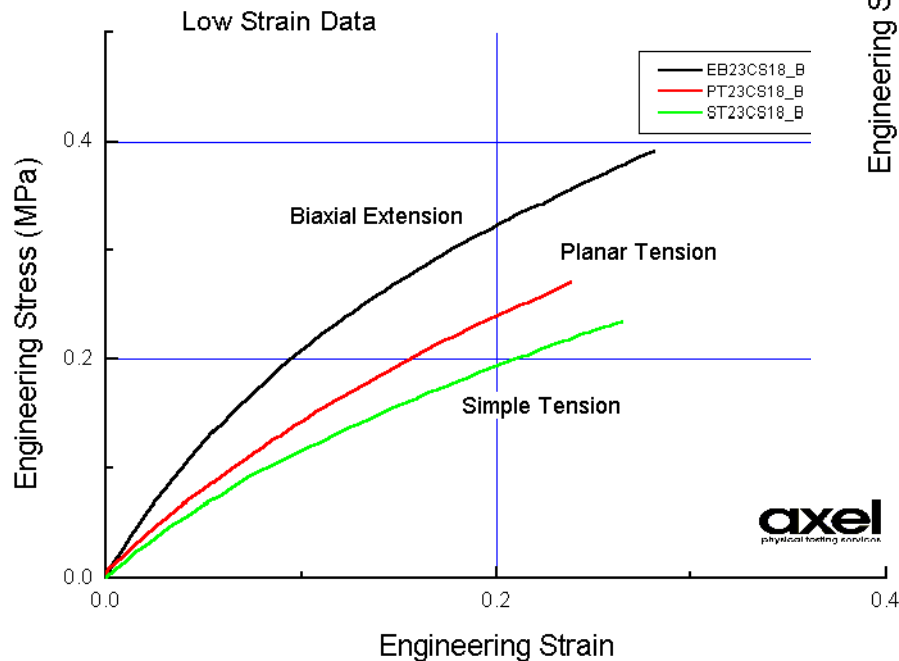


Rubber

Large Elastic Strains (600%)
Complex Damage
Tension / Comp very different
Viscoelastic, Hysteresis

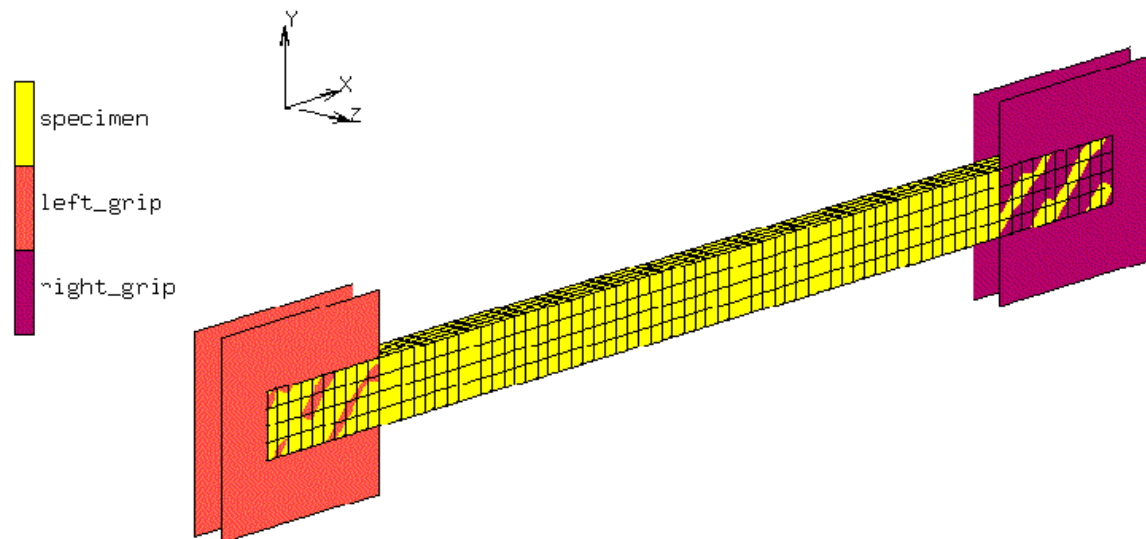


Pure States of Strain or Stress



What is a pure strain state?

1. The states of strain imposed have an analytical solution.
2. A significantly large known strain condition exists free of gradients such that strain can be measured.
3. The state of strain is homogeneous for homogeneous materials.



Pure States of Strain or Stress

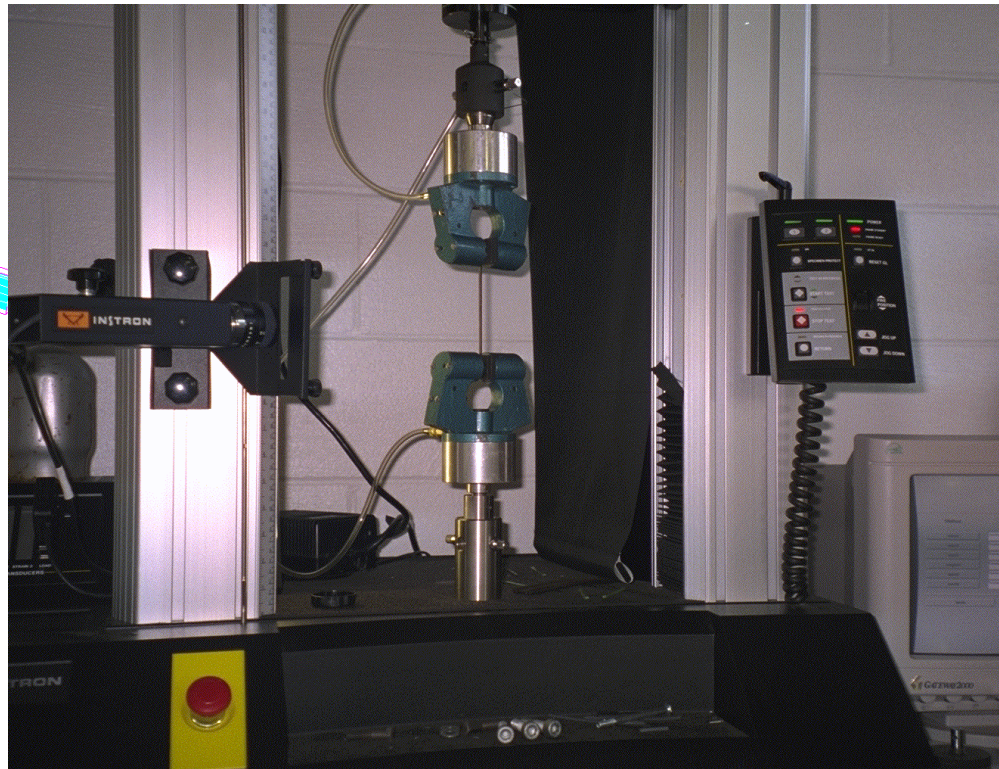
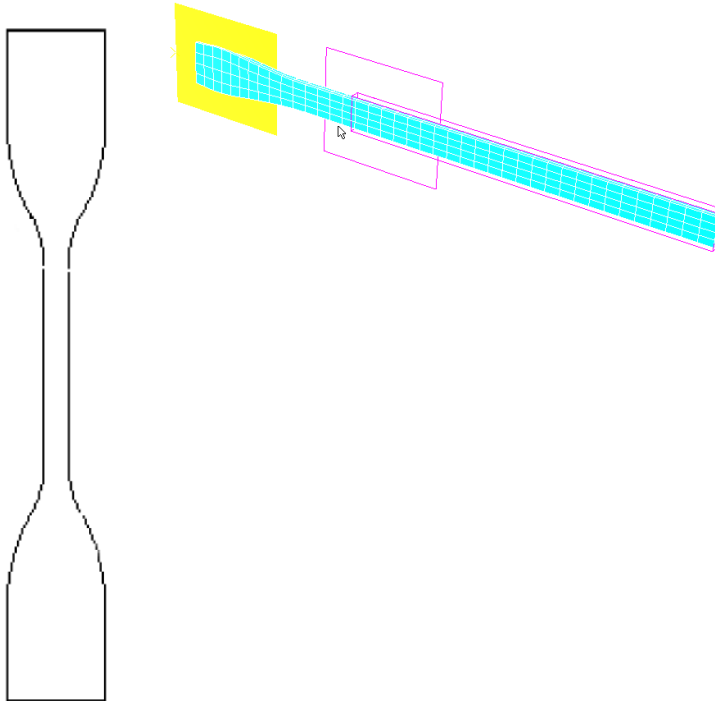
1. Simple Tension
2. Pure Shear
3. Simple Compression, Biaxial Extension
4. Bulk Compression

Simple Tension

Uniaxial Loading

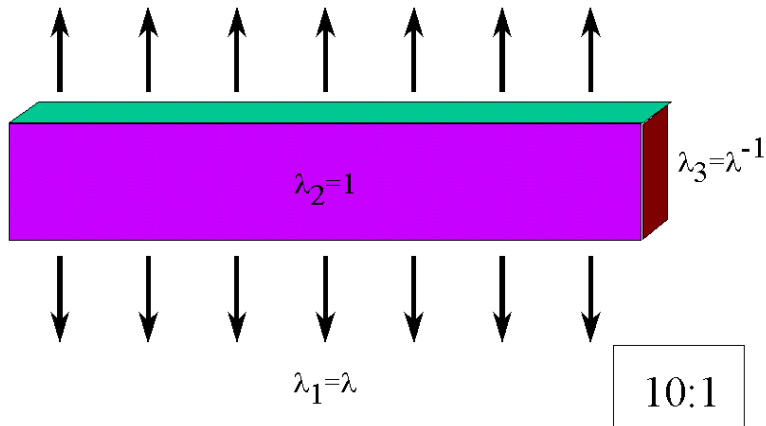
Free of Lateral Constraint

Gage Section:
Length:Width
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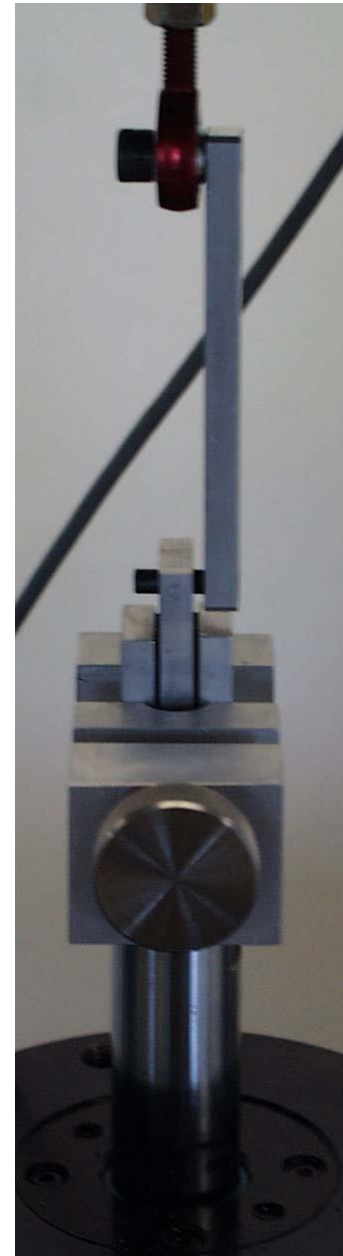
Planar Tension

1. Uniaxial Loading
2. Perfect Lateral Constraint
3. All Thinning Occurs in One Direction



Simple Shear

1. Shear Loading
2. No Thinning Permitted
3. Bonding can be difficult.
4. May be used for Foams



Equal Biaxial Extension

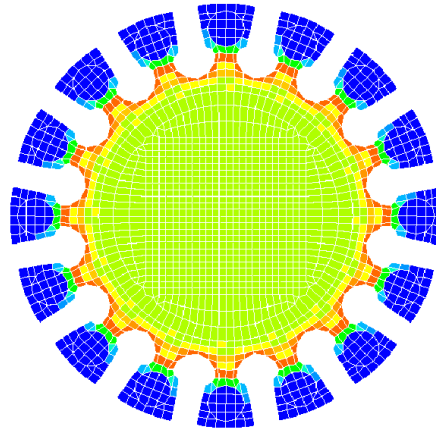
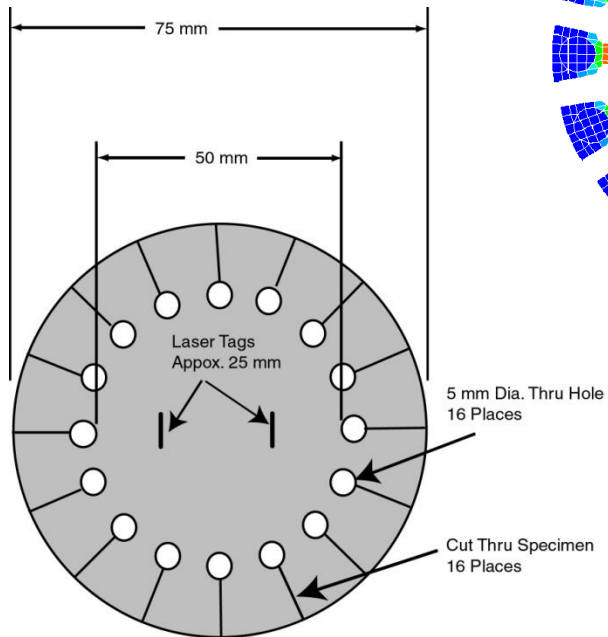
Why?

1. Same Strain State as Compression
2. Can Not Do Pure Compression
3. Can Do Pure Biaxial



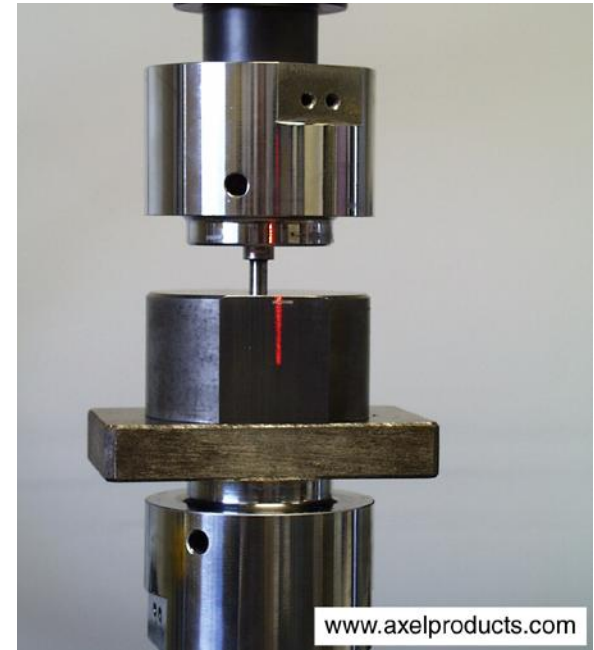
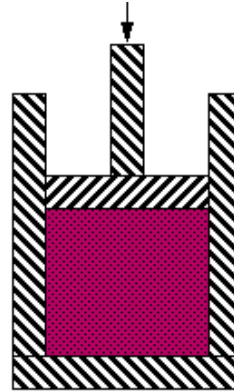
Equal Biaxial Extension

Analysis of the Specimen Justifies
Geometry



Volumetric Compression

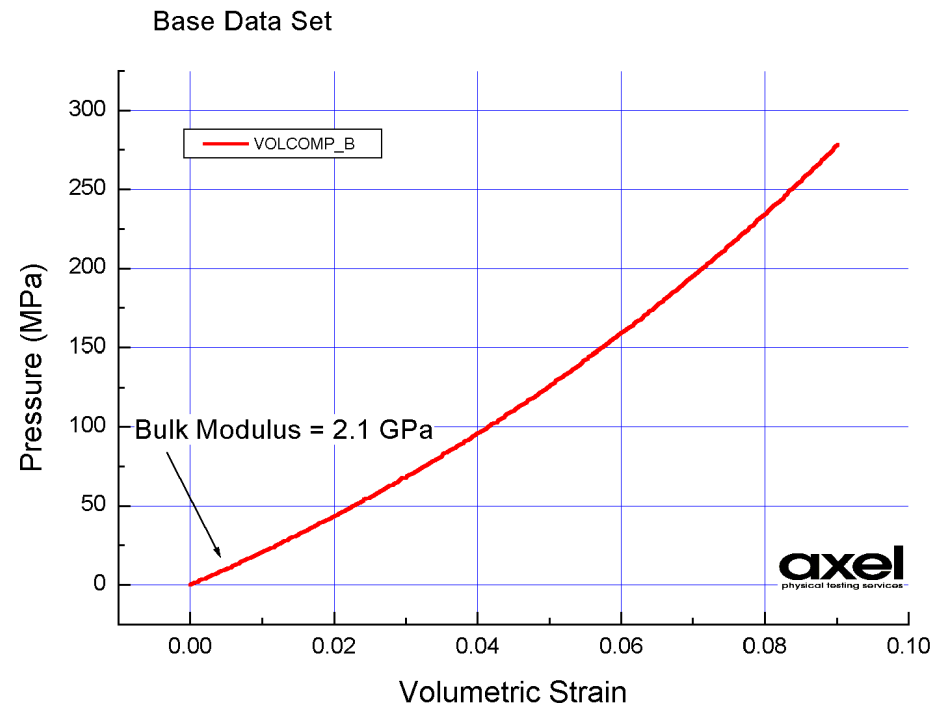
1. The Stress Required to Change the Volume of an Elastomer
2. Requires Resolute Displacement Measurement at the Fixture
3. NOT for Foams!



Volumetric Compression

Initial Slope = Bulk Modulus

Typically, only highly constrained applications require an accurate measure of the entire Pressure-Volume relationship.

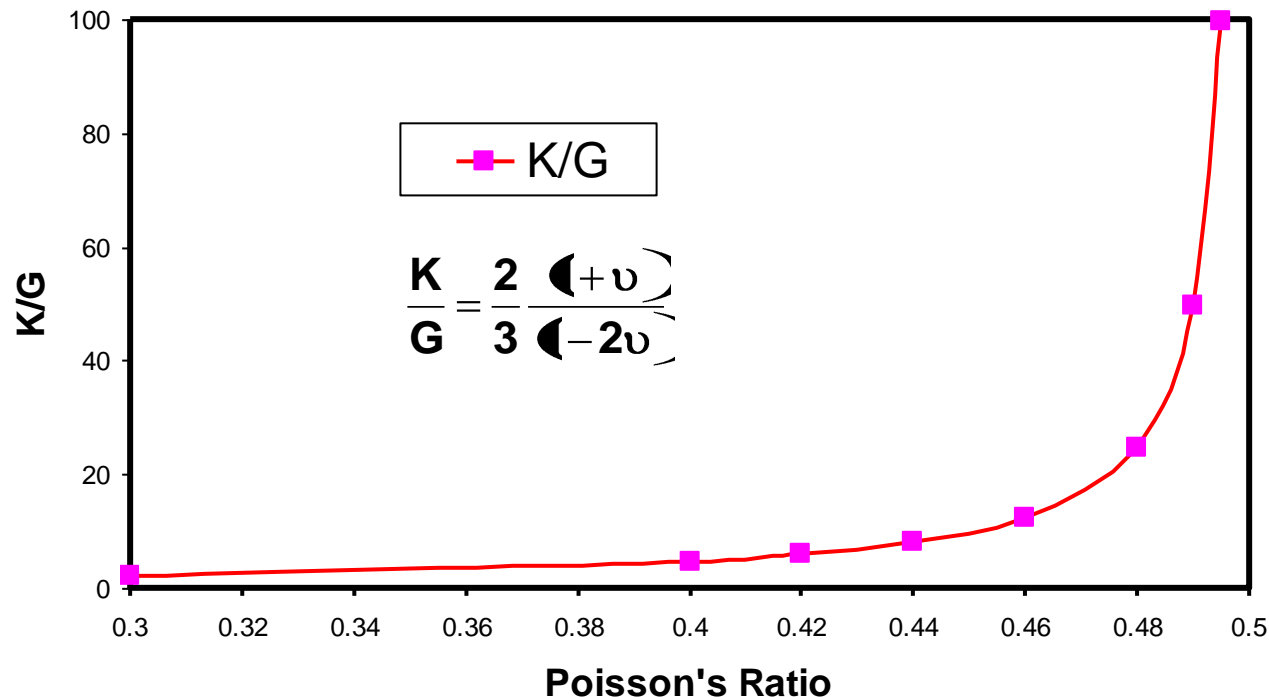


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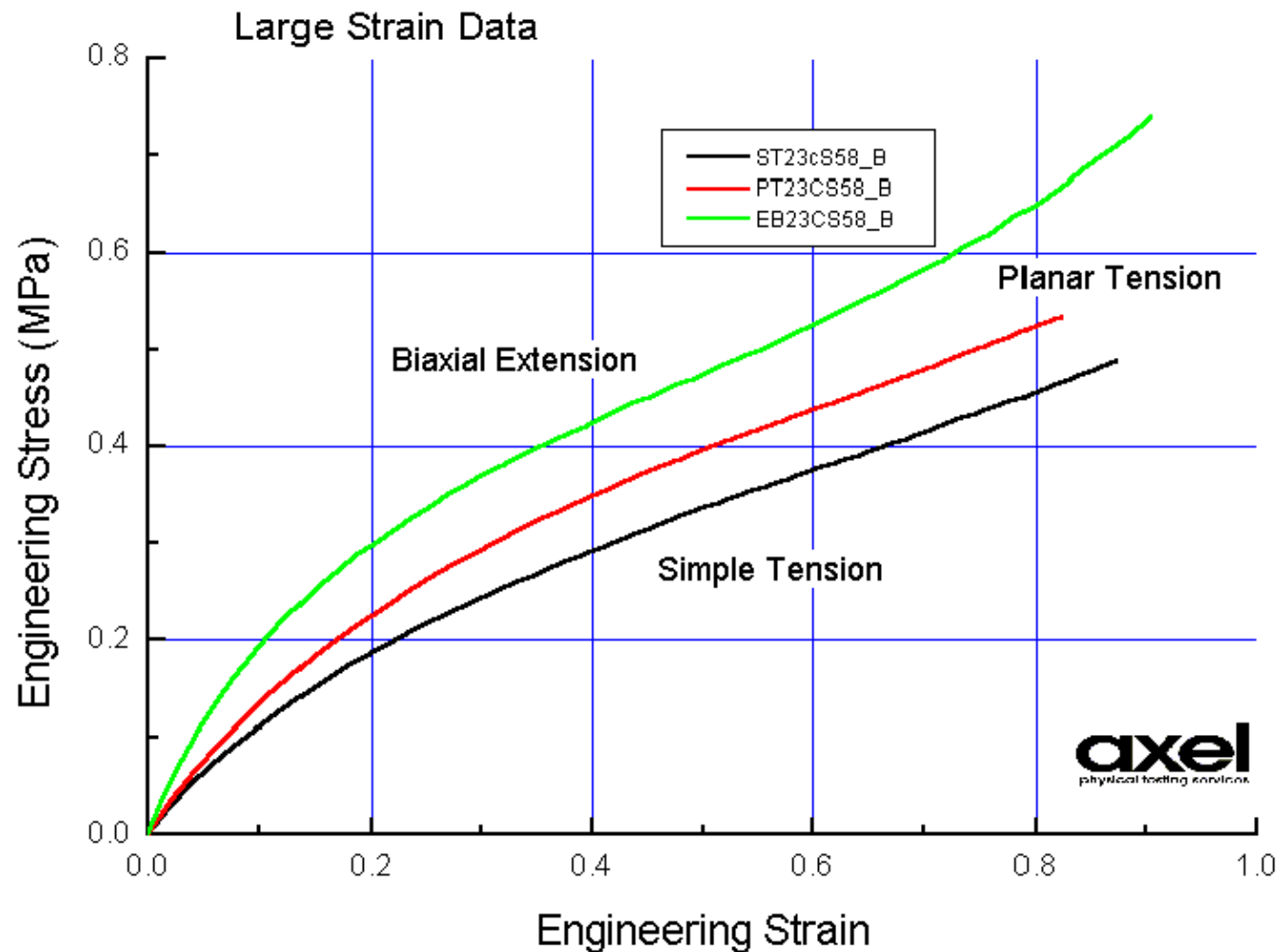
Poisson's ratio approaching 0.5 means infinite bulk modulus, K

For elastomer materials Poisson's ratio is difficult or impossible to measure accurately. Measure Pressure-Volume directly, compute K (or D_1 in ABAQUS)

K/G Relationship to Poisson's Ratio

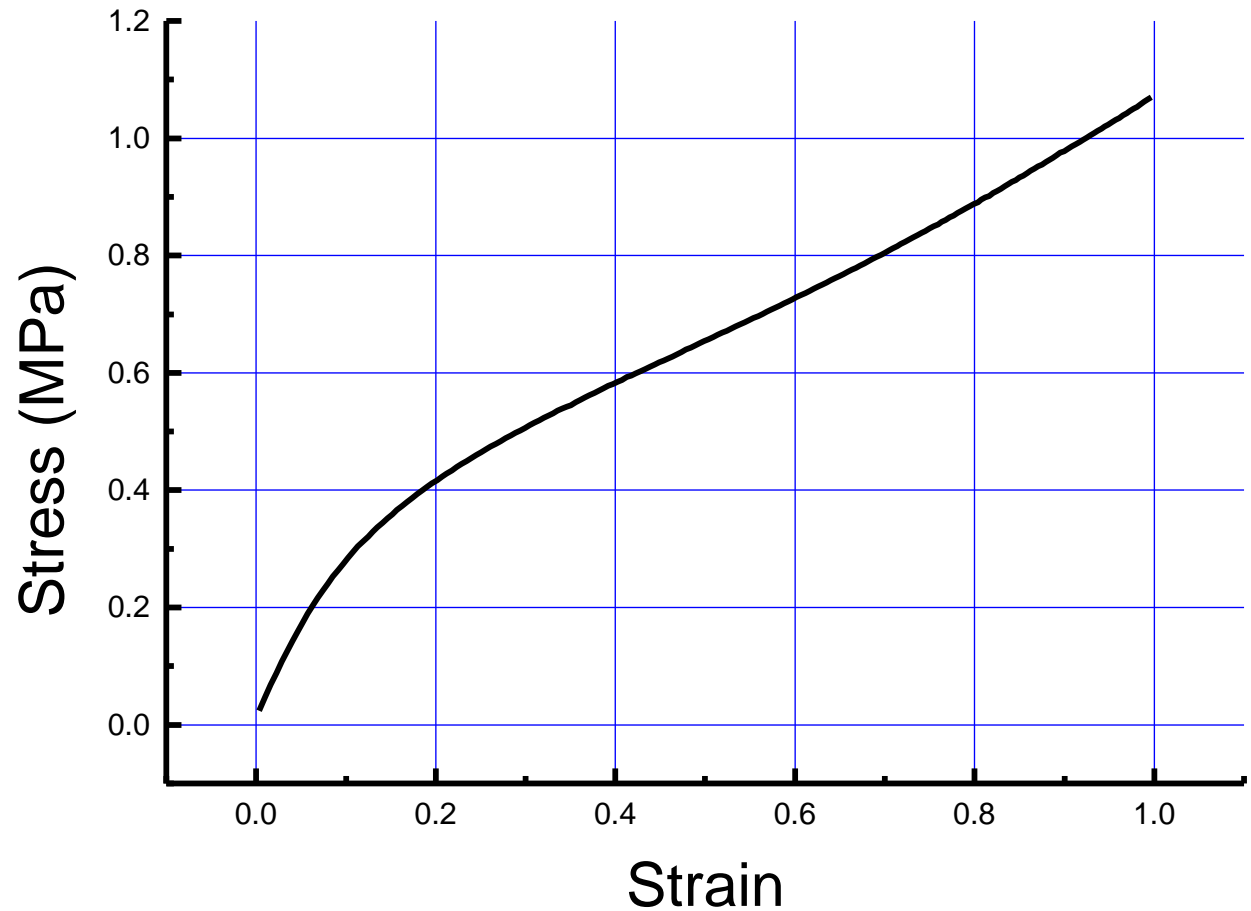


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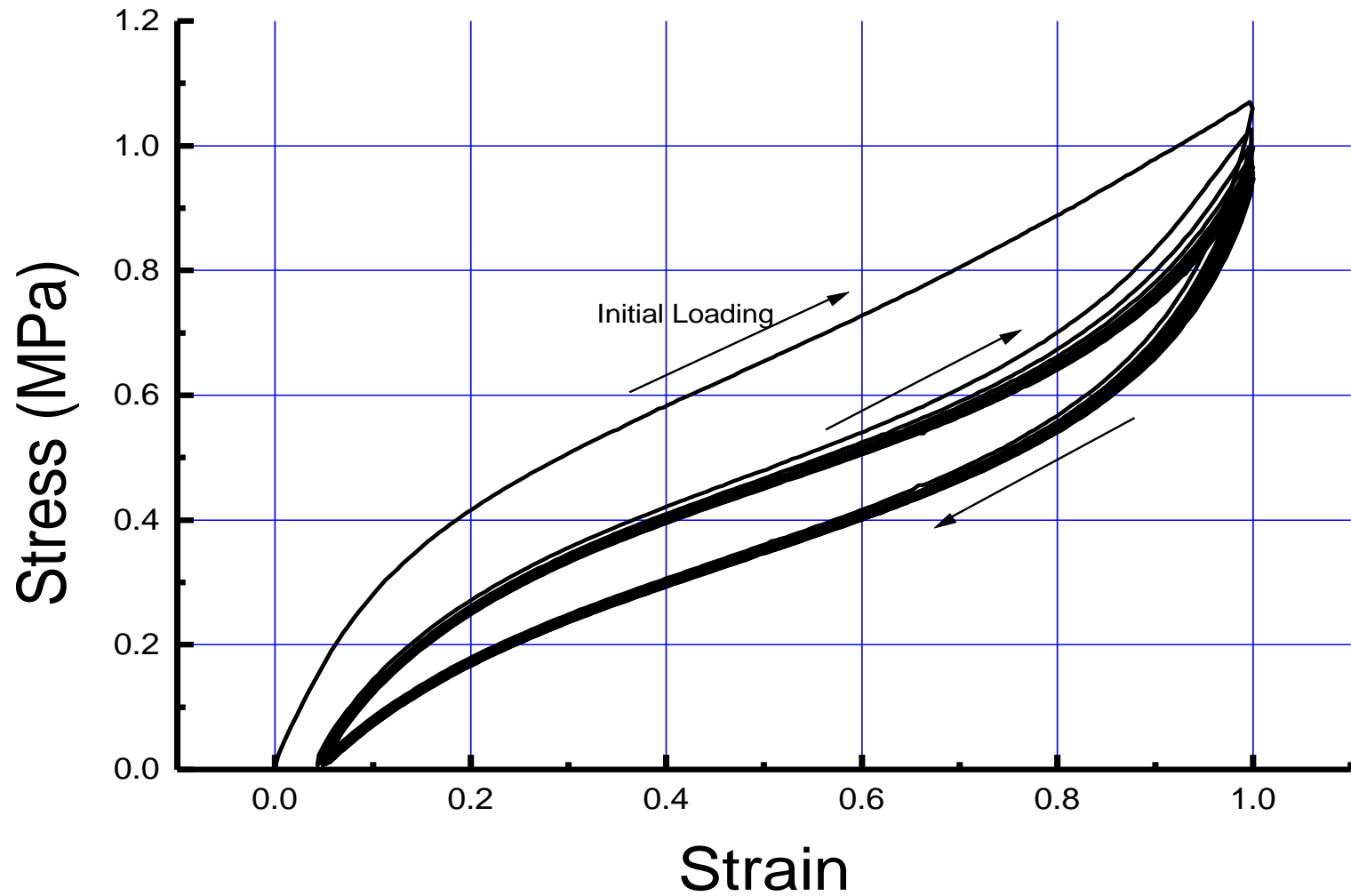


Loading Conditions

1. Initial Loading
2. Typical of Data Existing Standa



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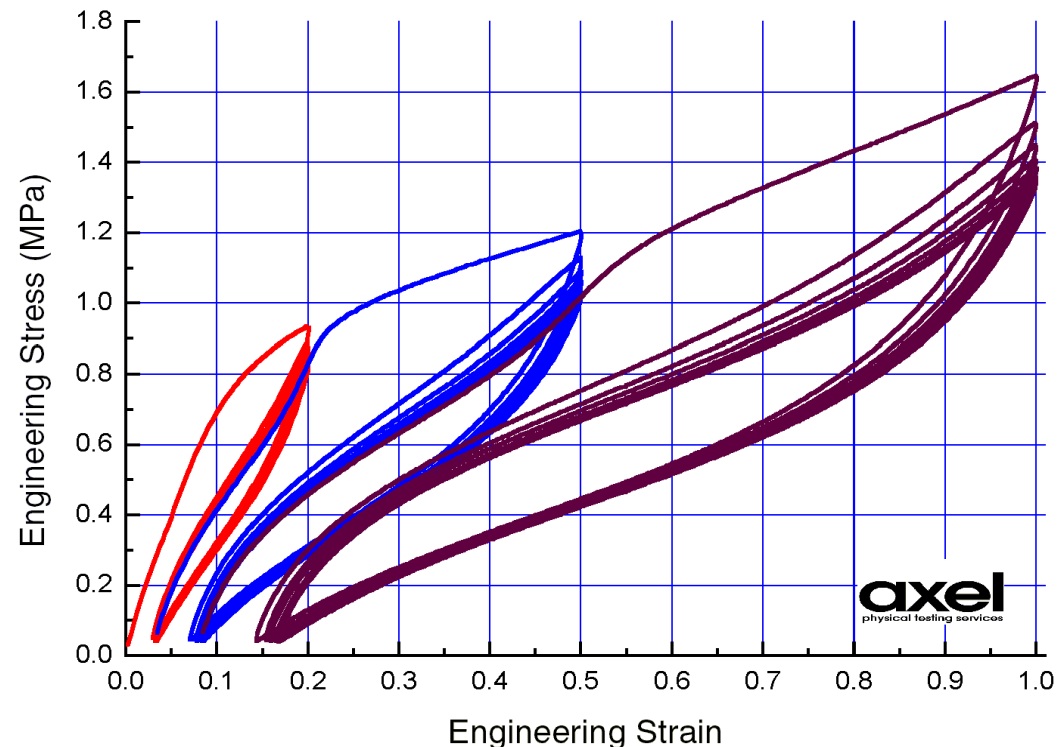


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Some Common Elastomers Exhibit Dramatic Strain Amplitude and Cycling Effects at Moderate Strain Levels

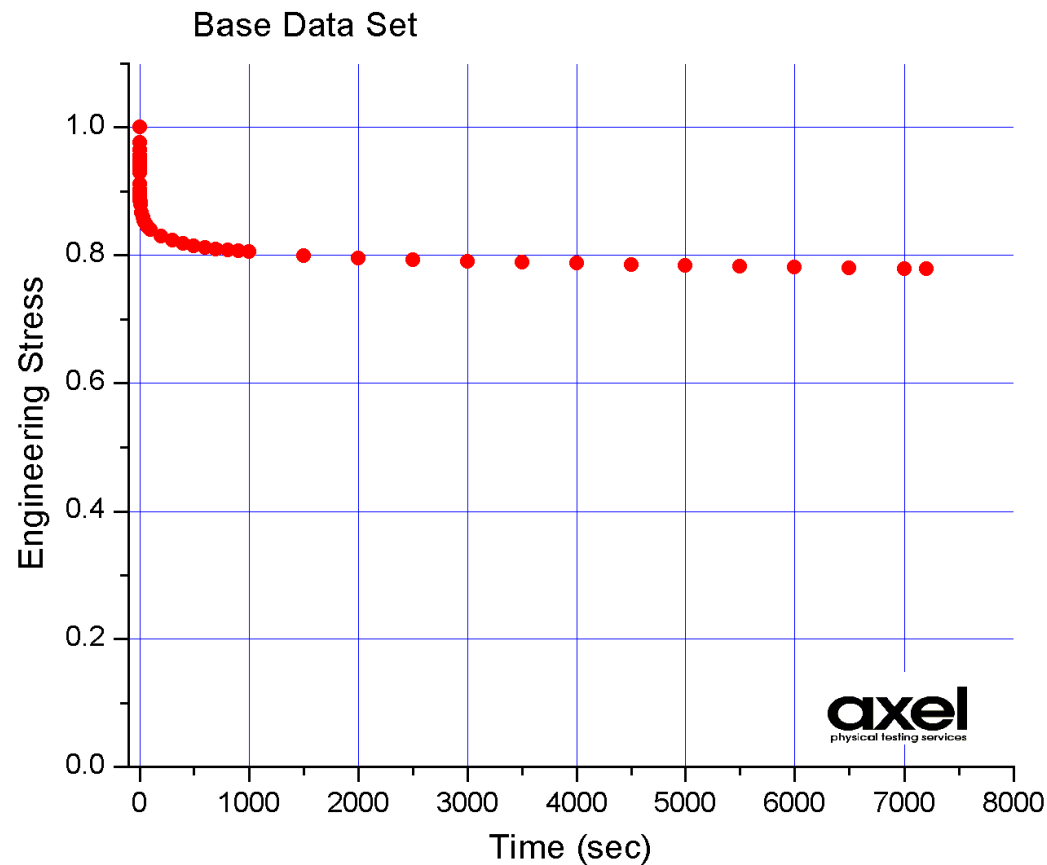
Conclusions:

1. Test to Realistic Strain Levels
2. Use Application Specific Loadings to Generate Material Data



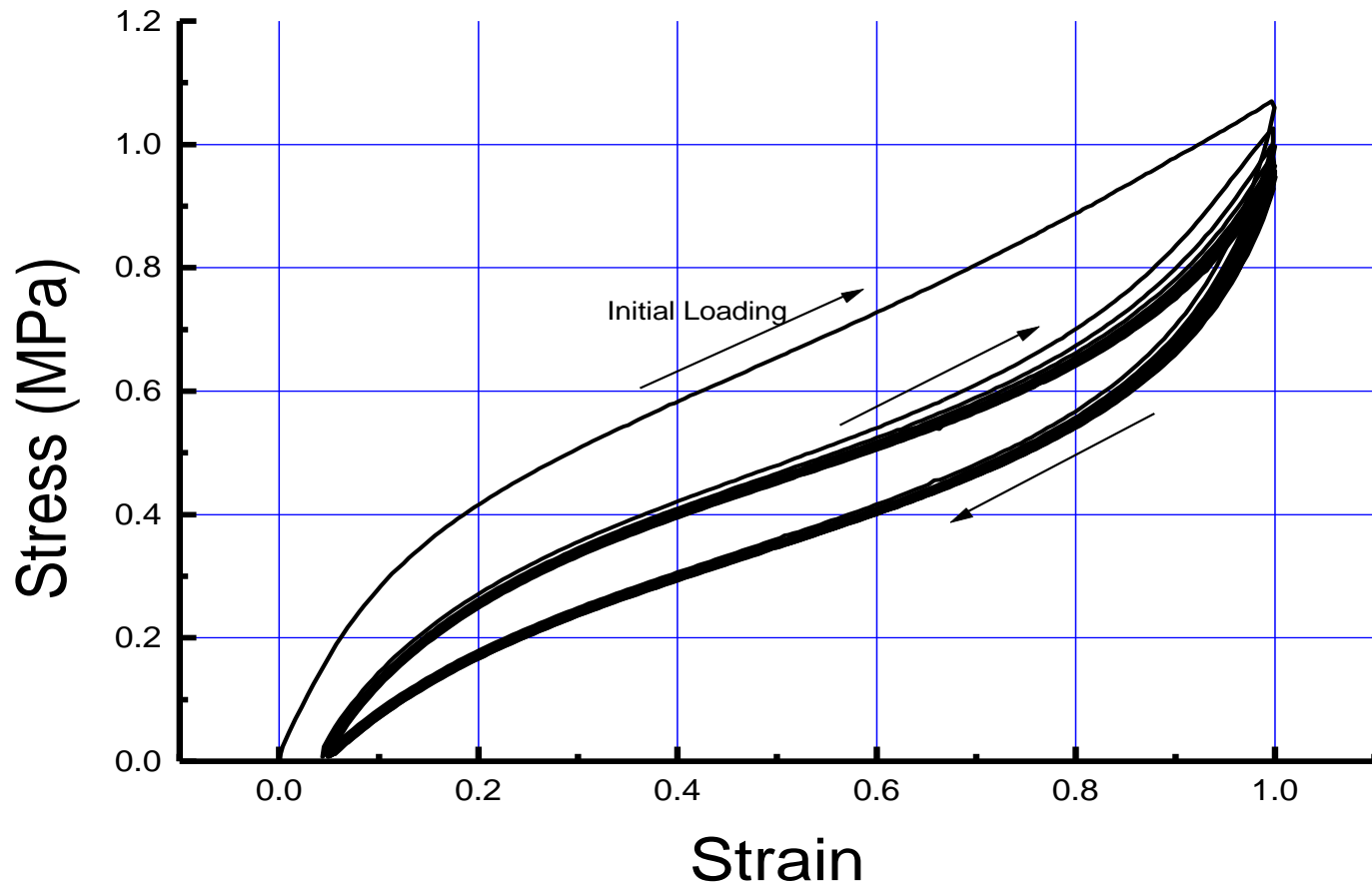
Basic Viscoelastic

1. Assumed to be Linear Viscoelastic Behavior
2. Is not the same as aging!
3. Describes the short term reversible behavior of elastomers.
4. Tensile, shear and biax have similar viscoelastic properties!

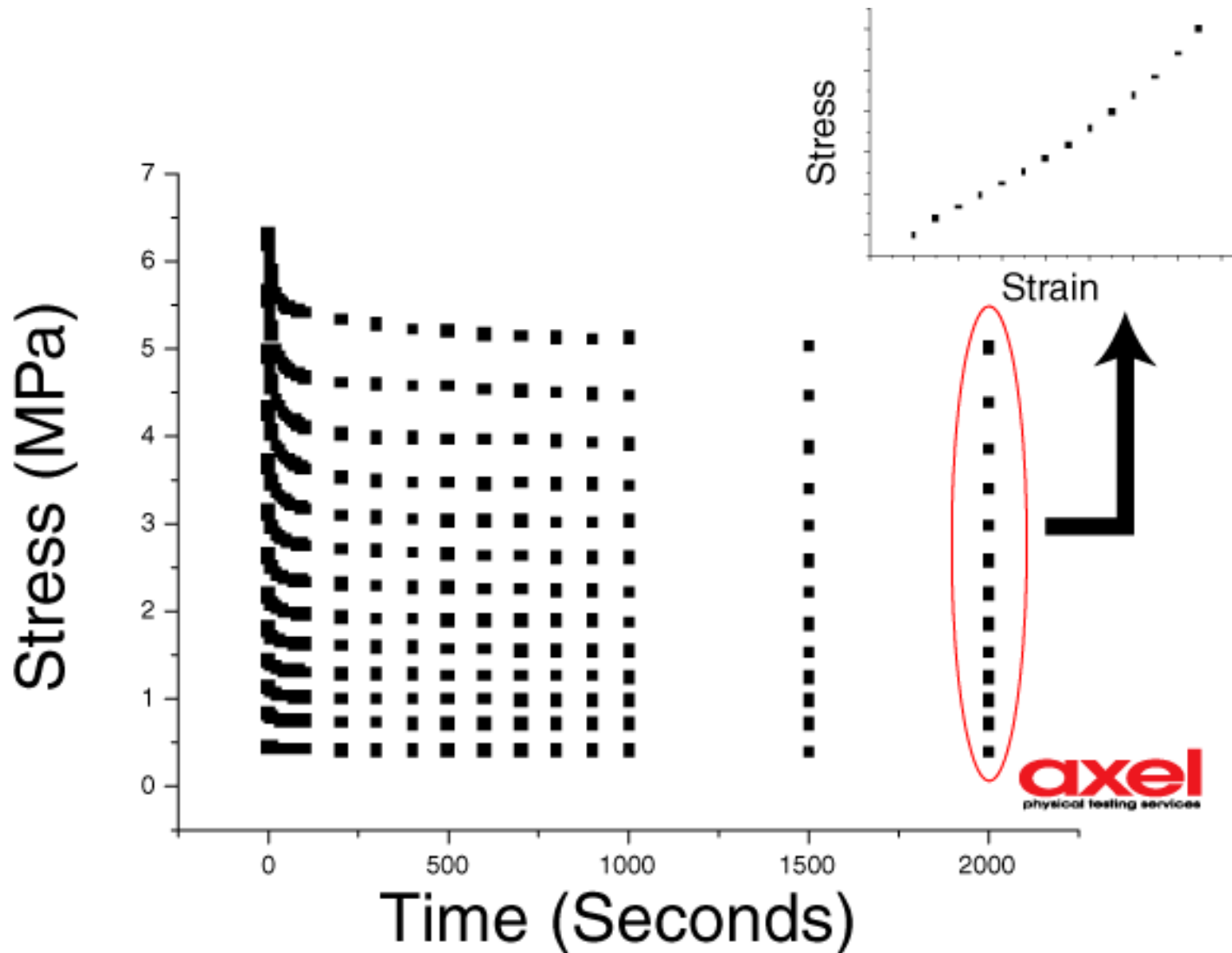


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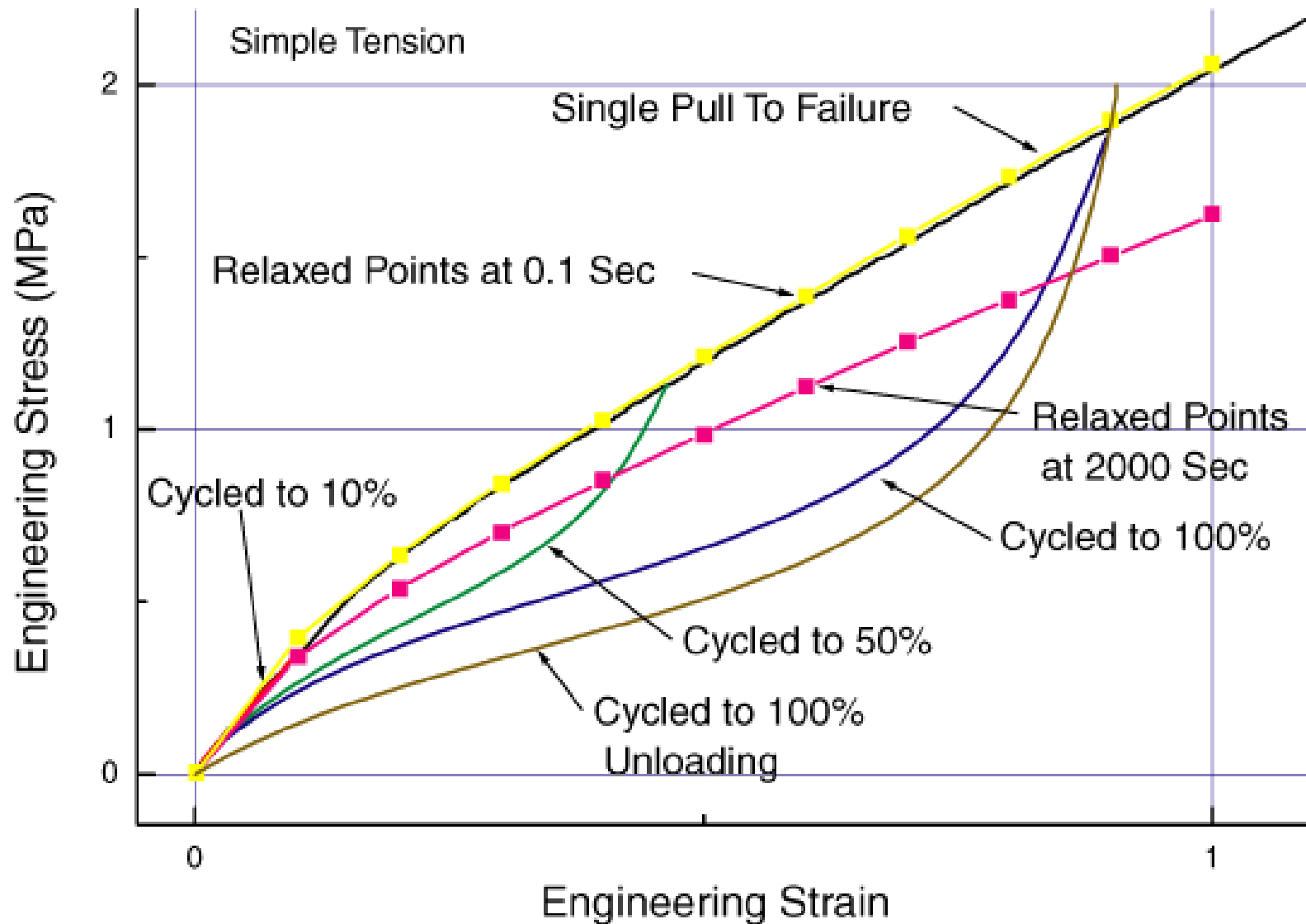
Viscoelastic will not predict this.



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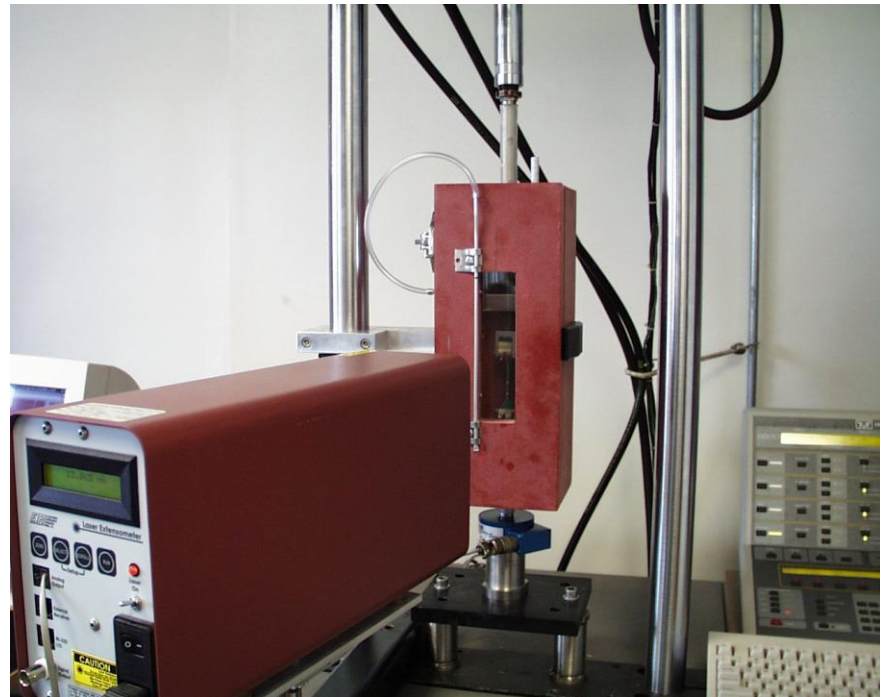


Loading Comparison?



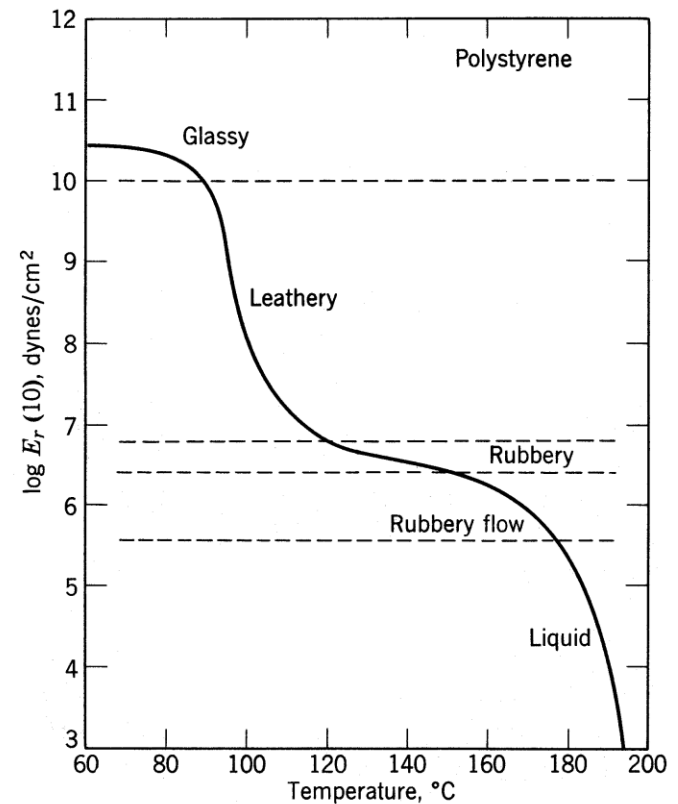
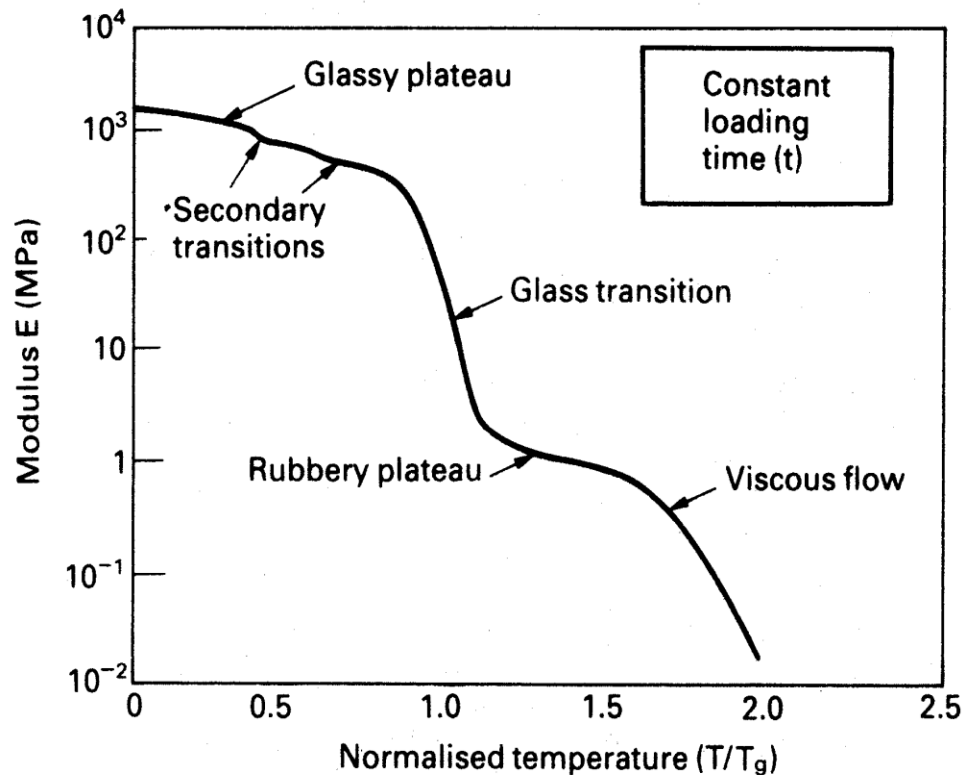
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2. Thermal Conductivity
3. Thermal Expansion



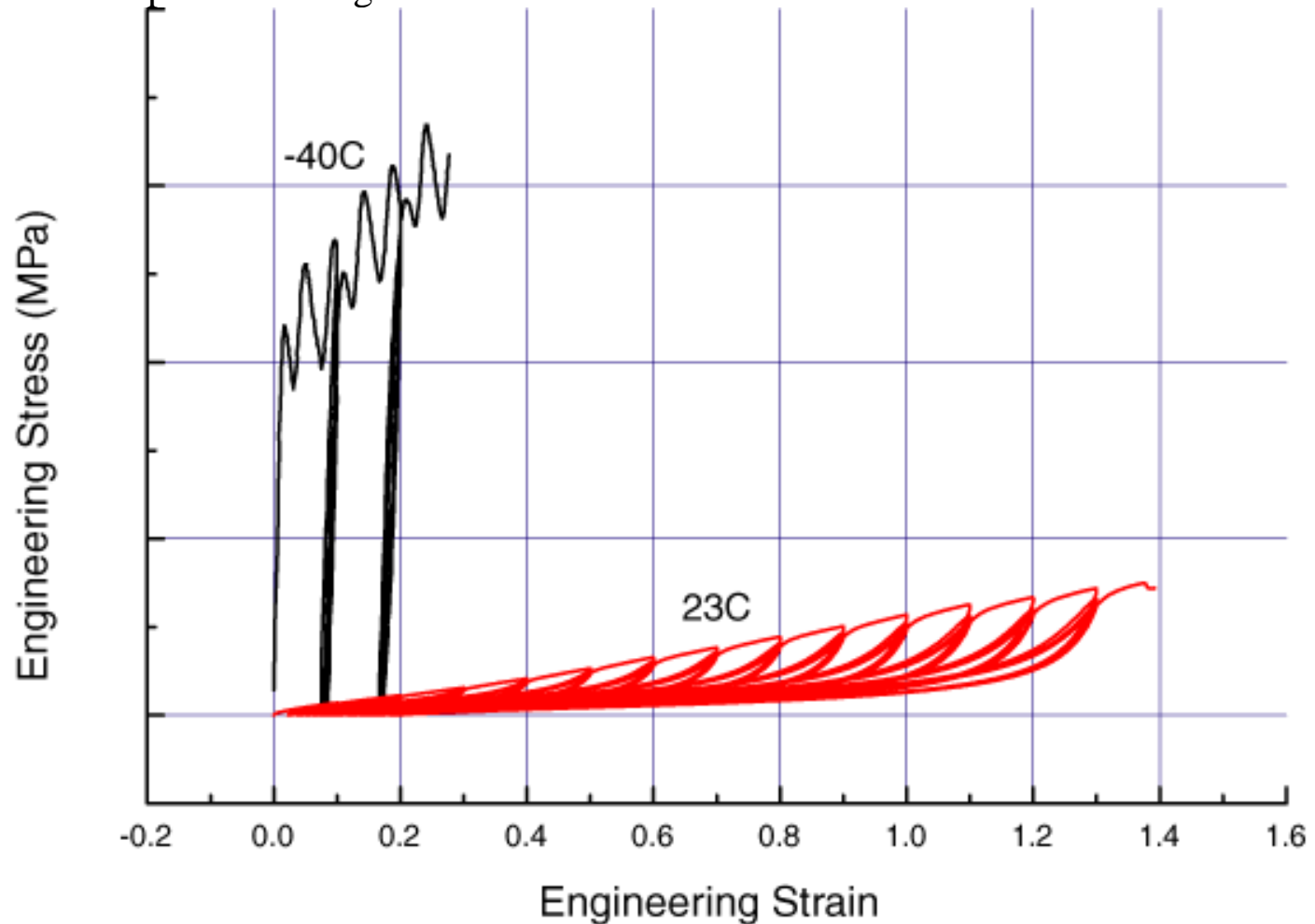
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Typical T_G diagrams for polymer materials



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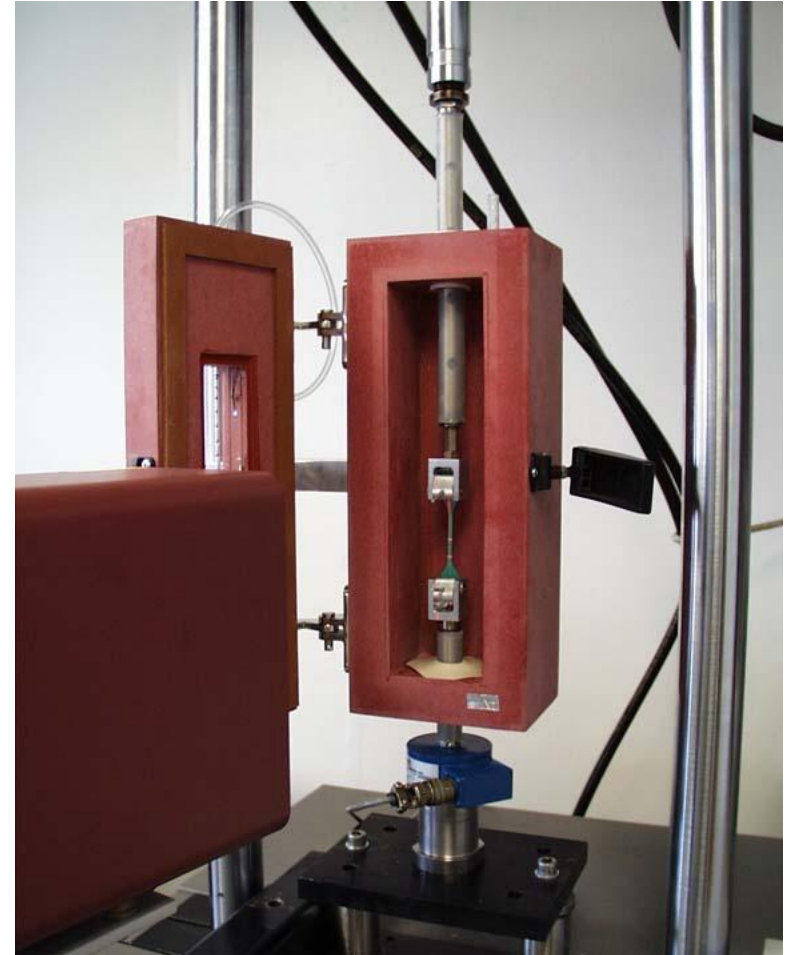
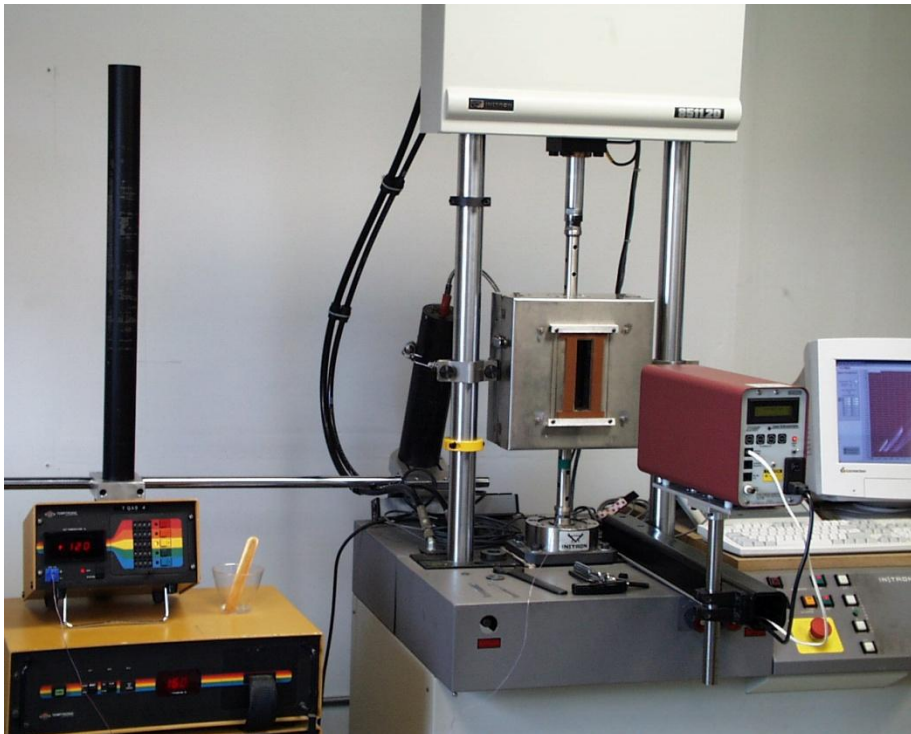
Elastomers Properties Can Change by Orders of Magnitude in the Application Temperature Range.



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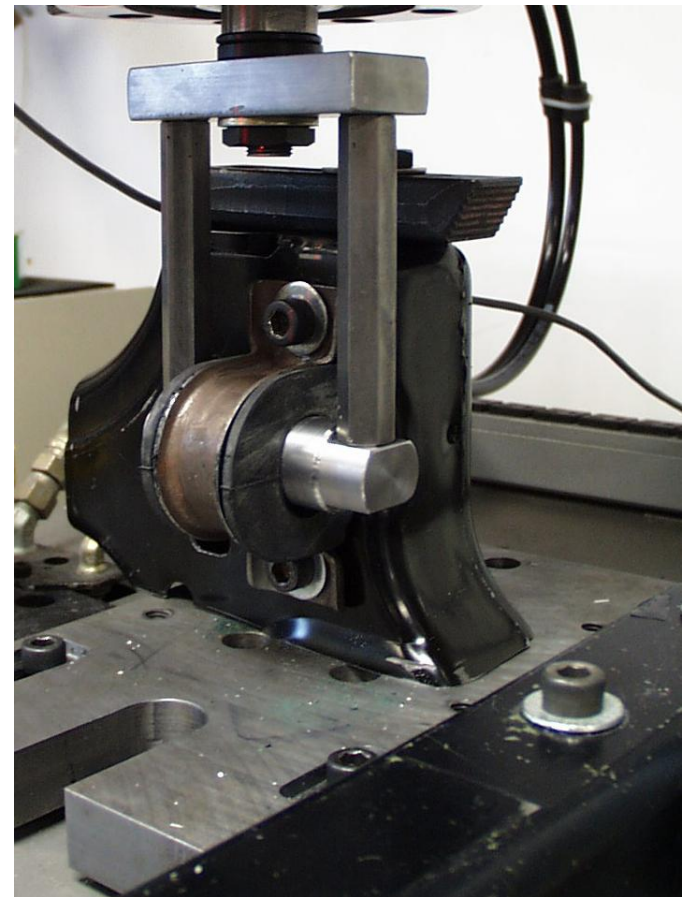
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1. Measure Strain at the Right Location
2. Perform Realistic Loadings

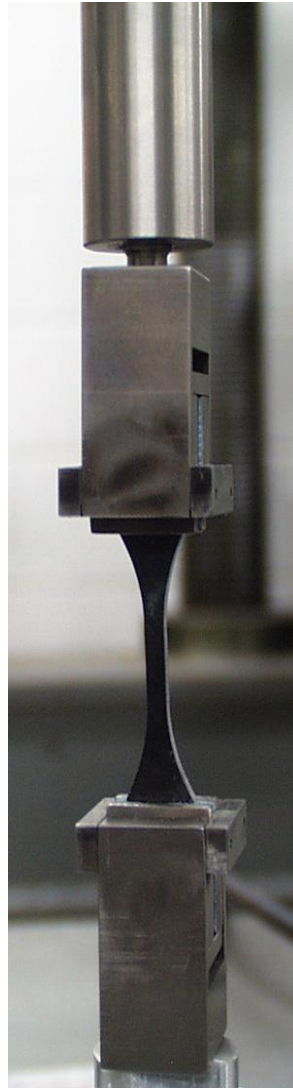


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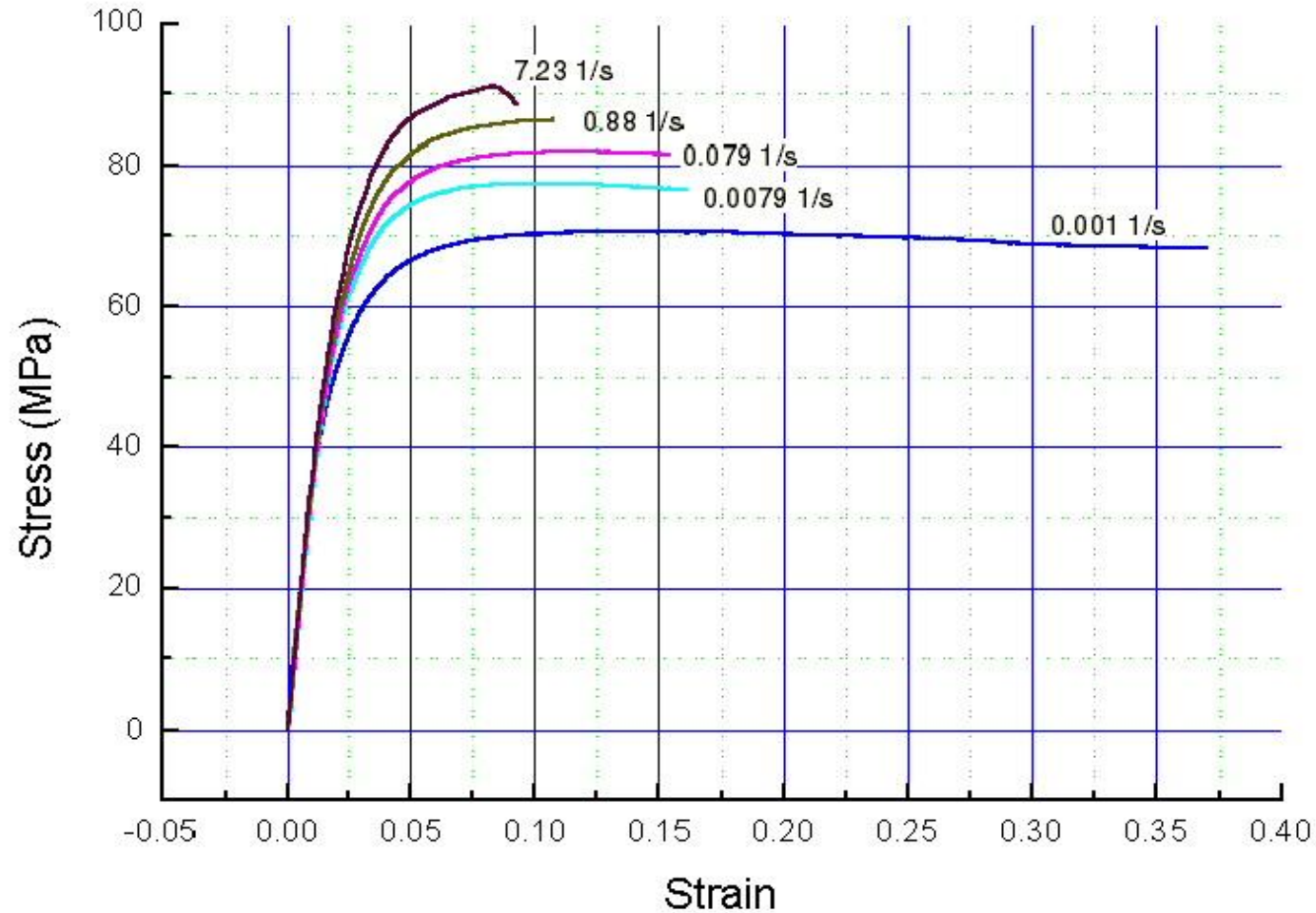
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3. High Frequency Vibrations



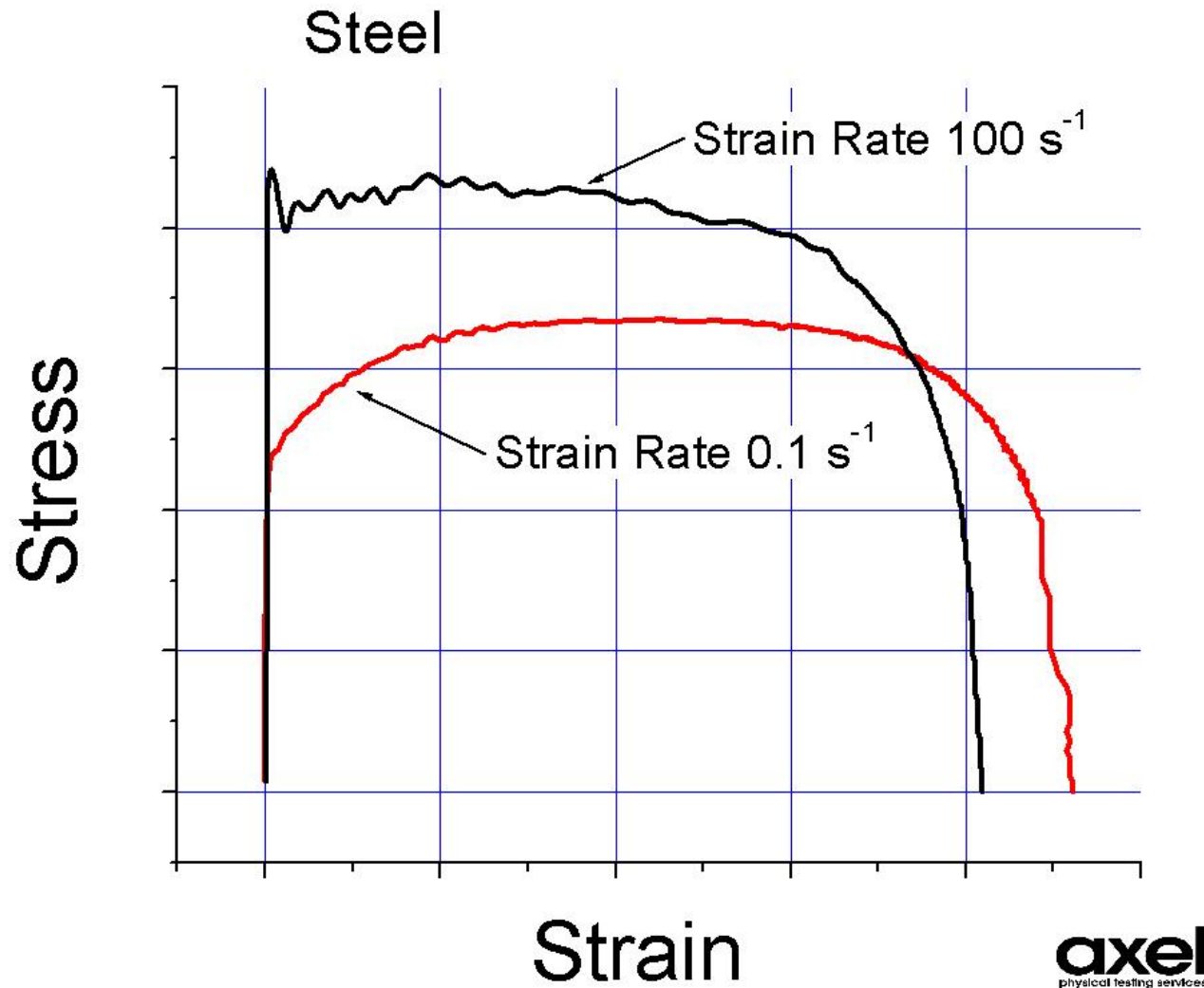
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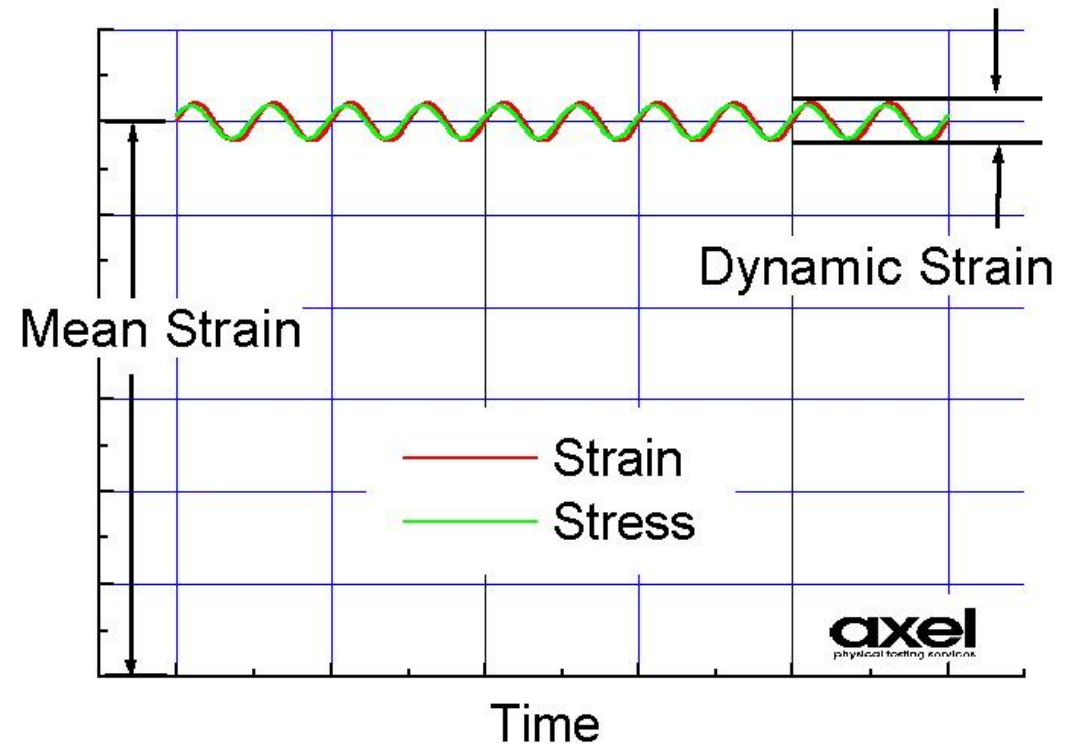


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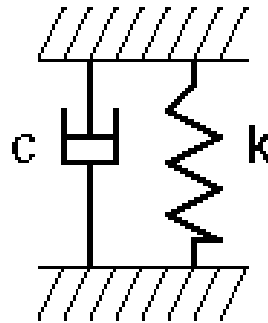
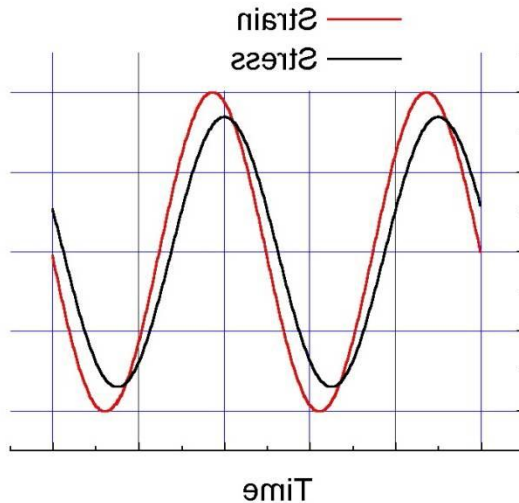


Vibrations

1. Types of Dynamic Behavior
2. Large strains at high velocity
3. Small sinusoidal strains superimposed on large mean strains



Vibrations



No inertia effect

Long Wave Length vs Measurement

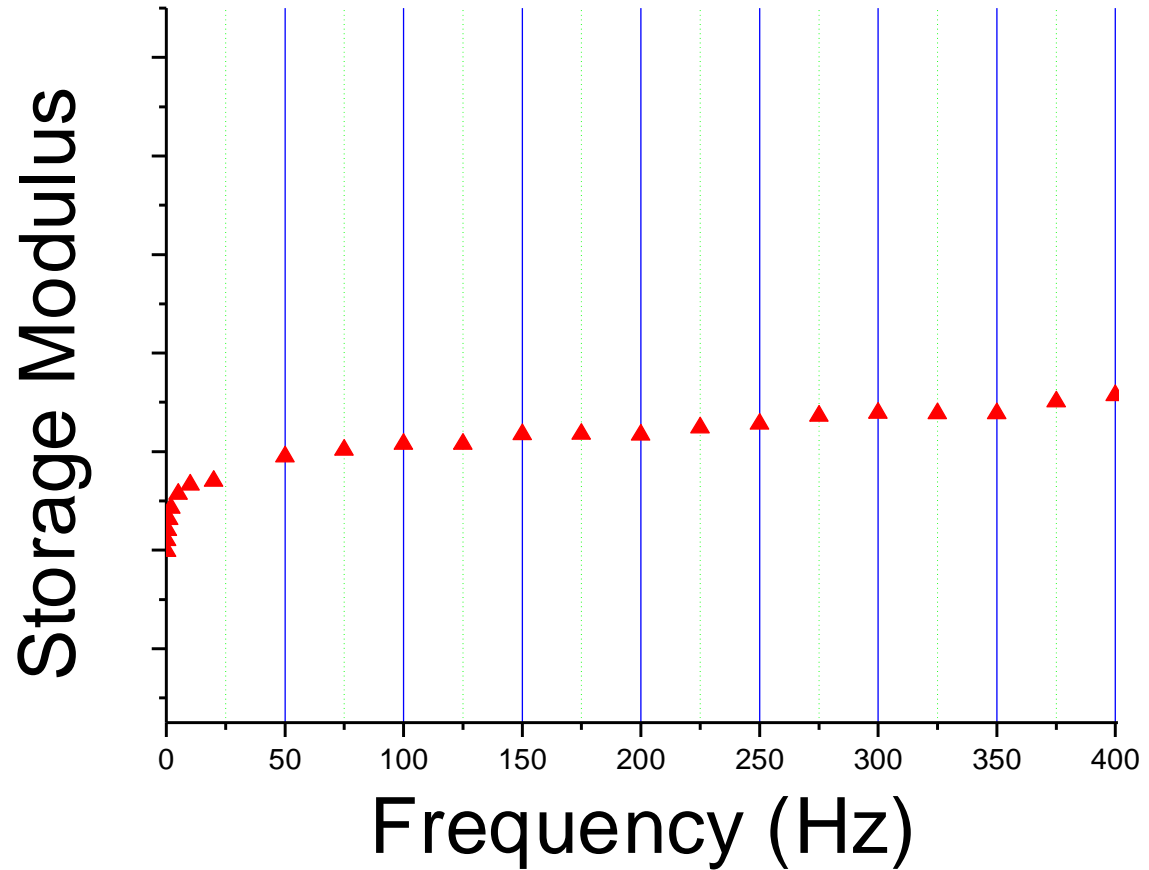
Dynamic Modulus = Peak Stress/ Peak Strain

Storage Modulus = $E \cdot \cos \delta$

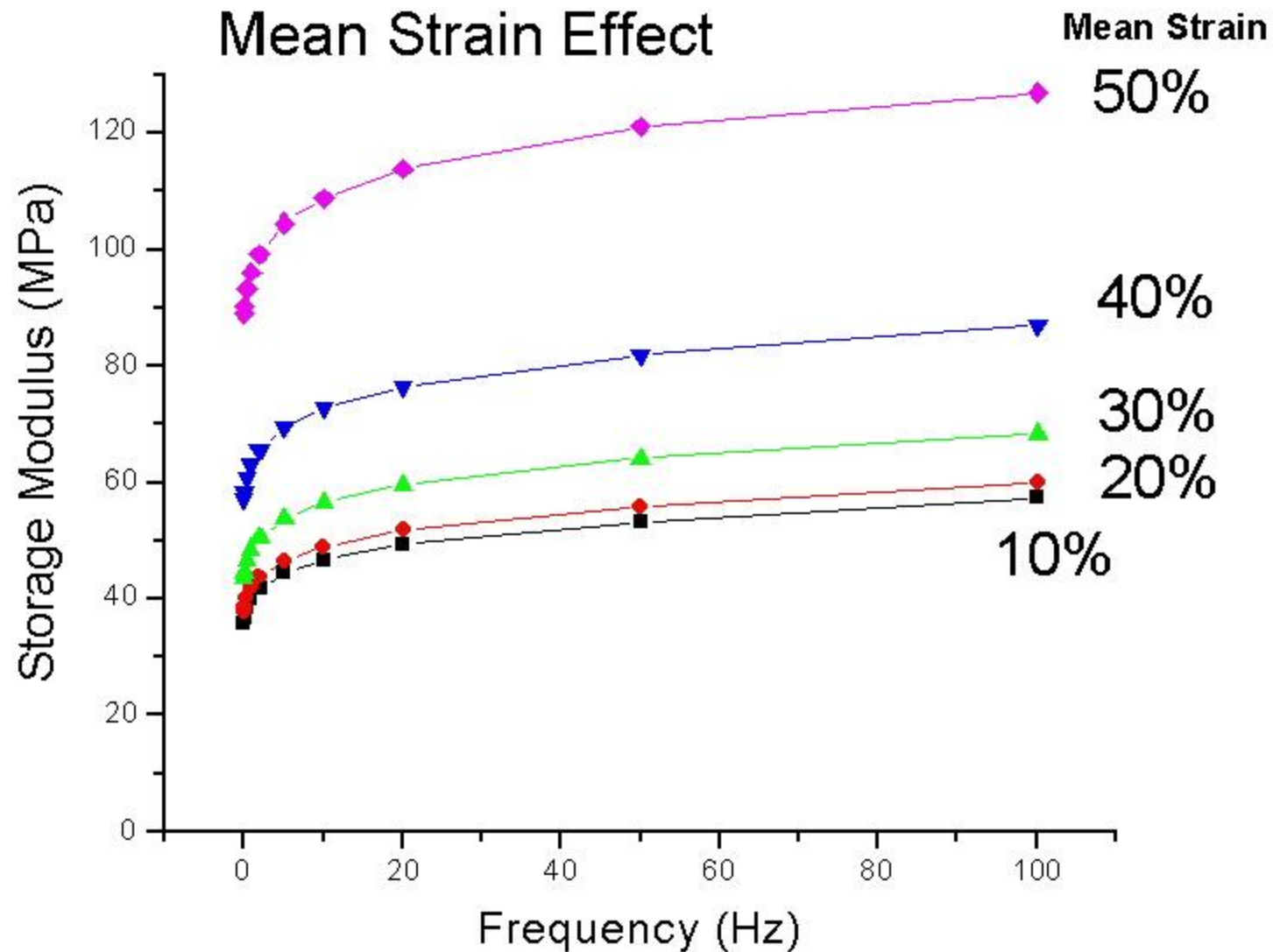
Loss Modulus = $E \cdot \sin \delta$

Vibrations

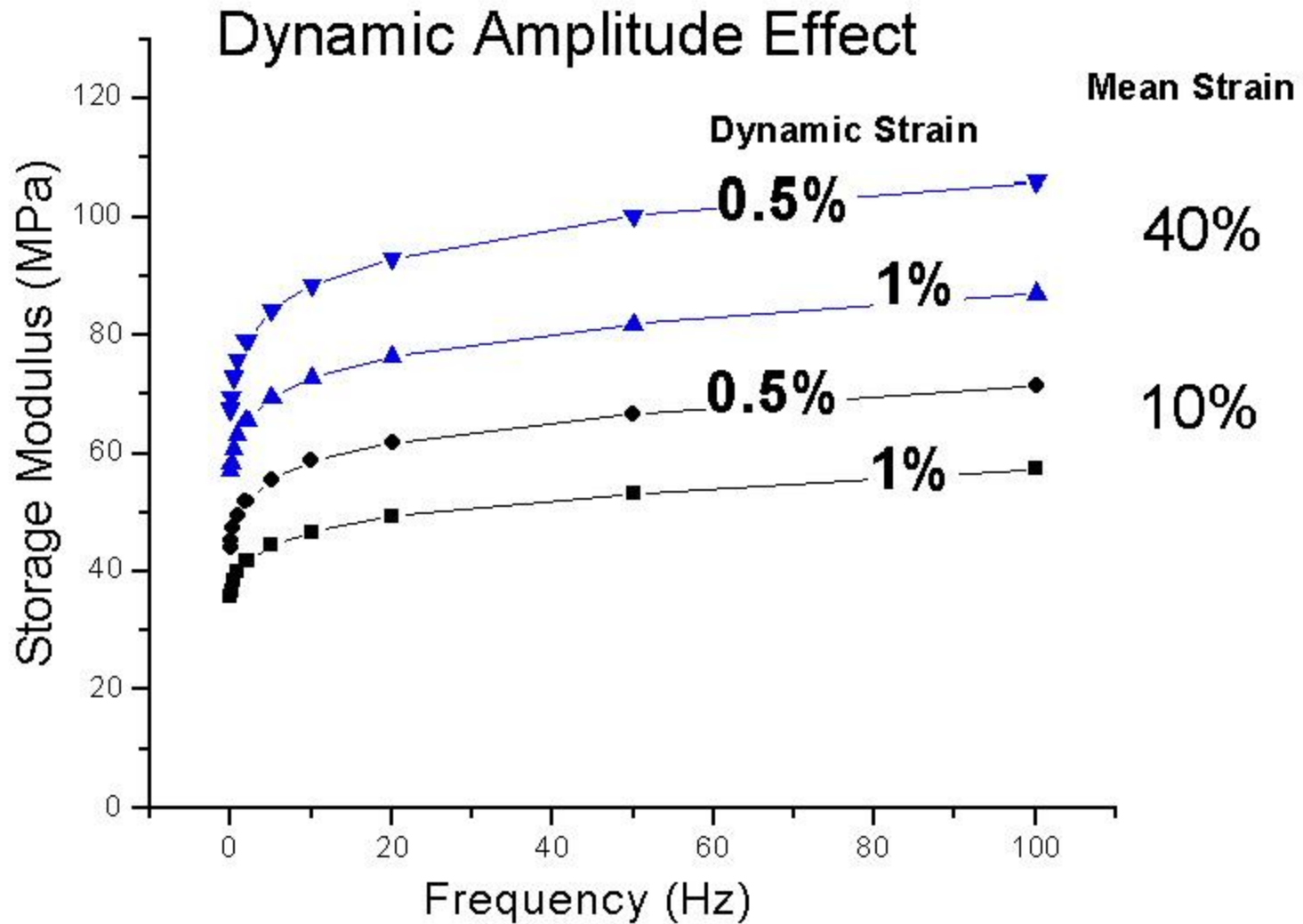
Data at 30%
Mean Strain



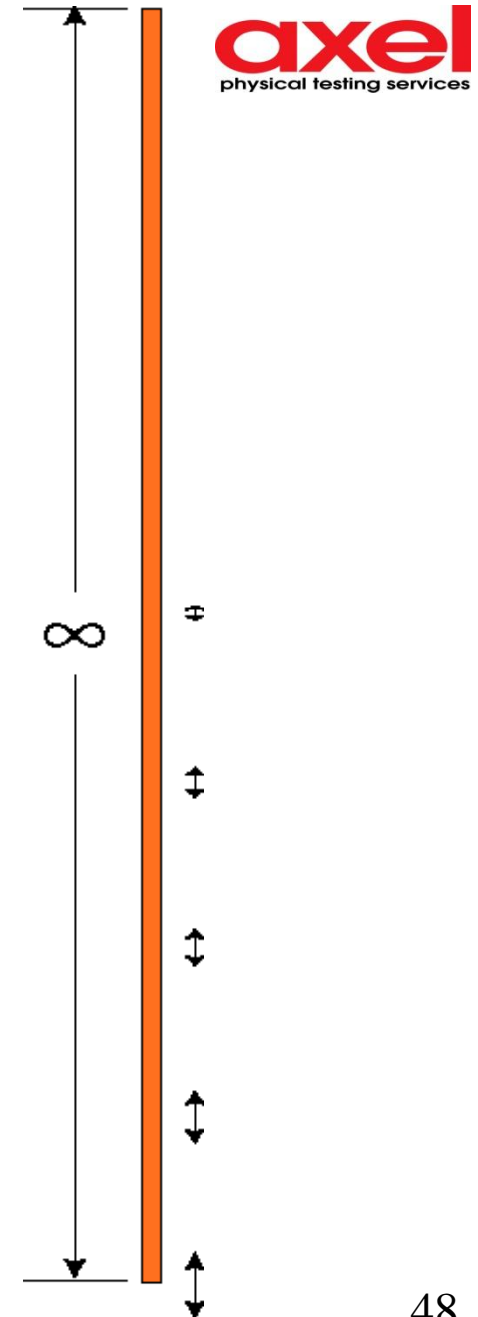
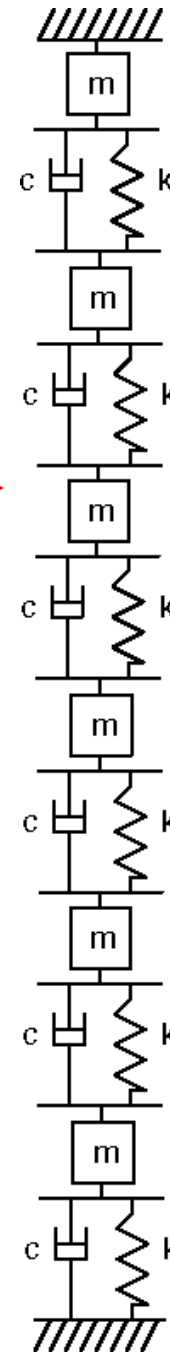
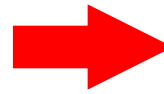
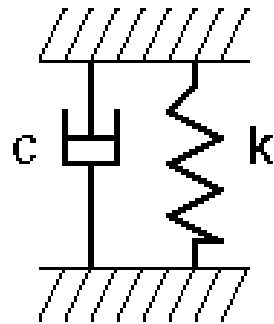
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High Frequency Dynamics



Wave Propagation

Inertial effect is Significant

Wave Length is Small

100 - 10,000 Hz.

Wave Propagation

$$E^* = \rho c^2$$

Measure:

Density ρ

Wave Speed c

Wave Decay

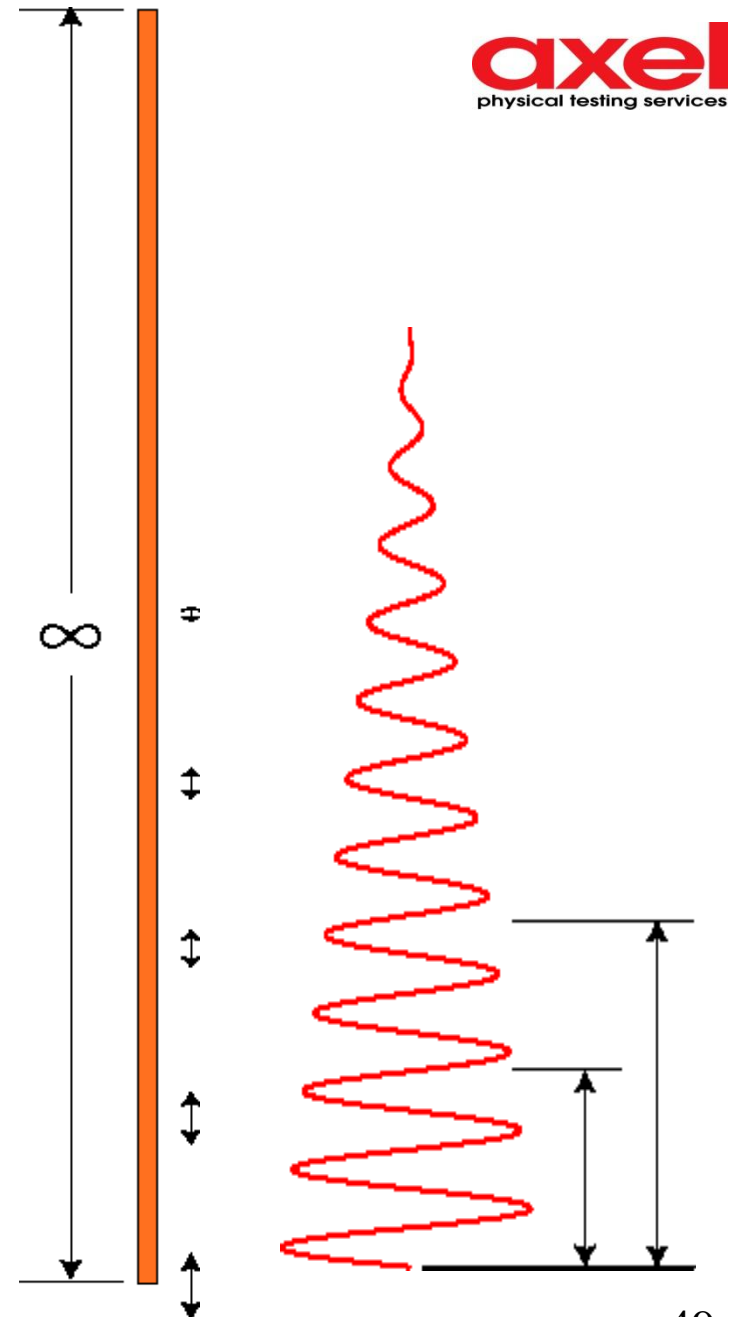
$$c = f \lambda$$

c speed of longitudinal wave

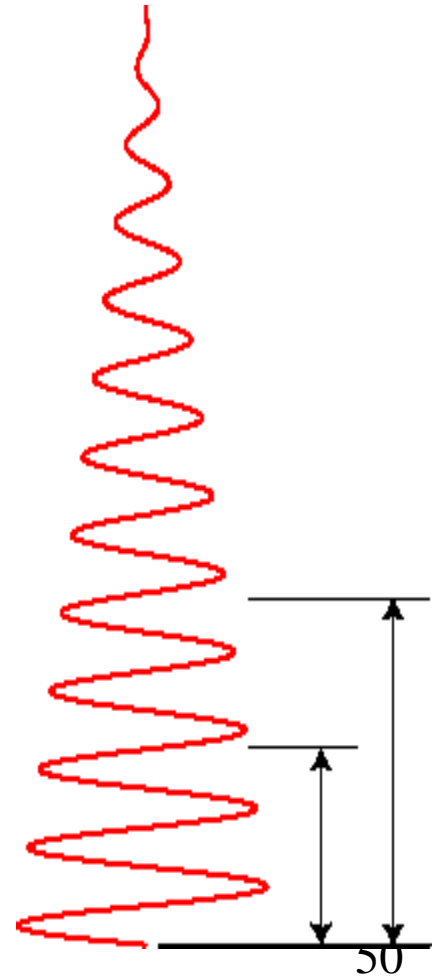
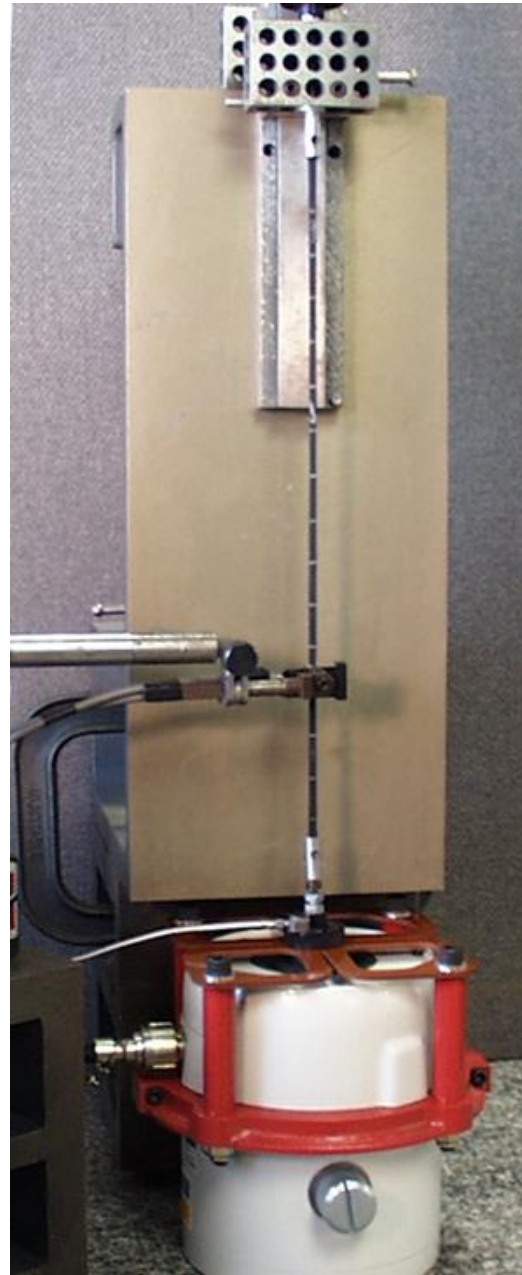
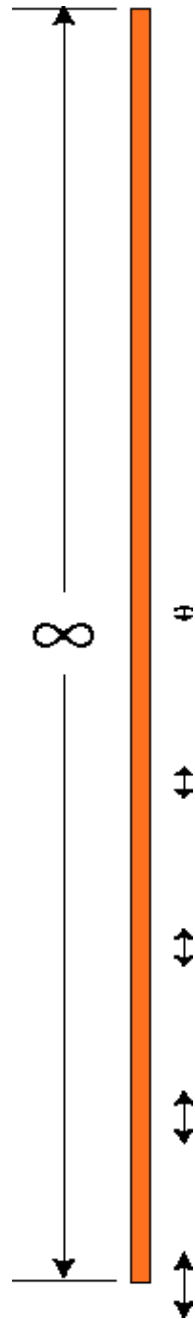
f excitation frequency

λ wave length

E^* Dynamic Modulus

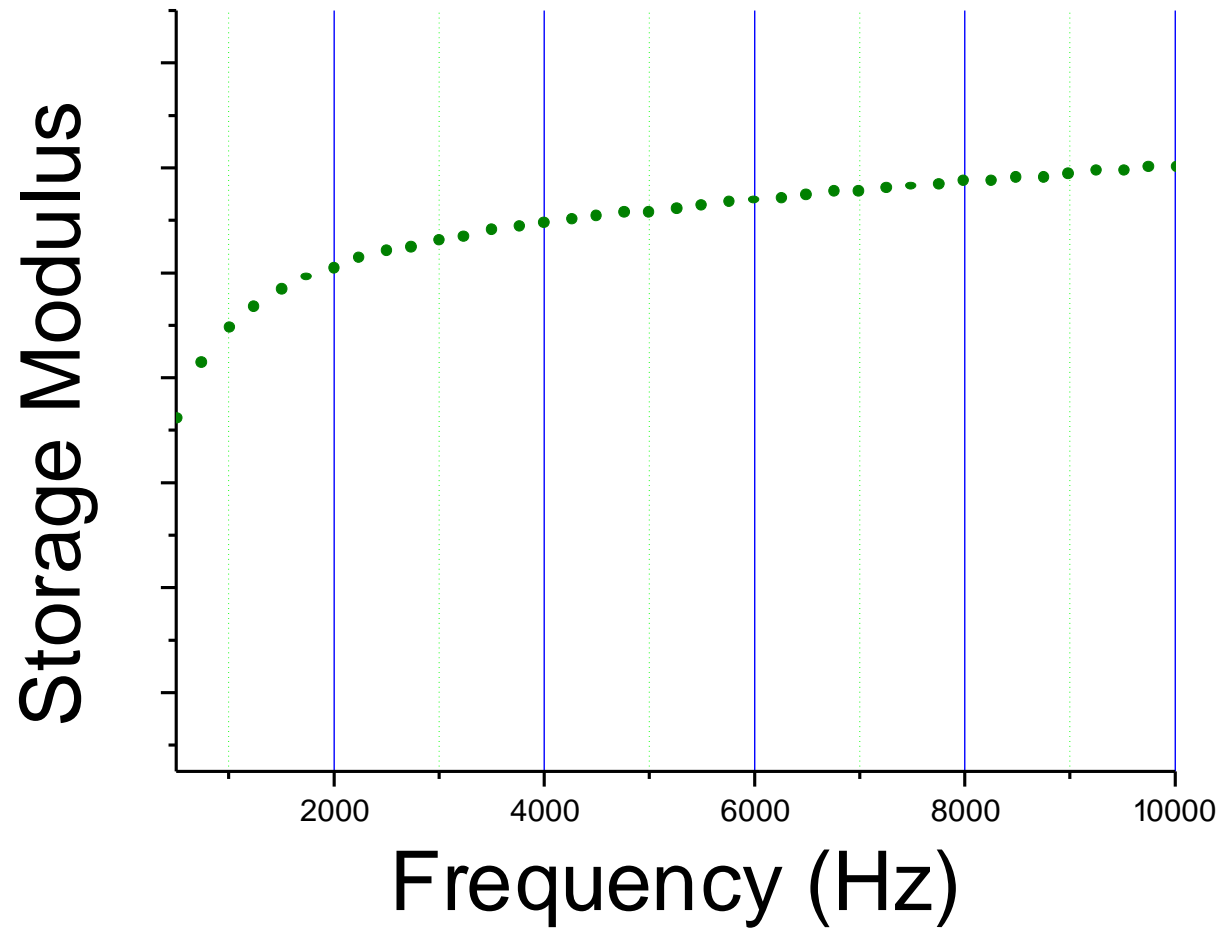


Wave Propagation



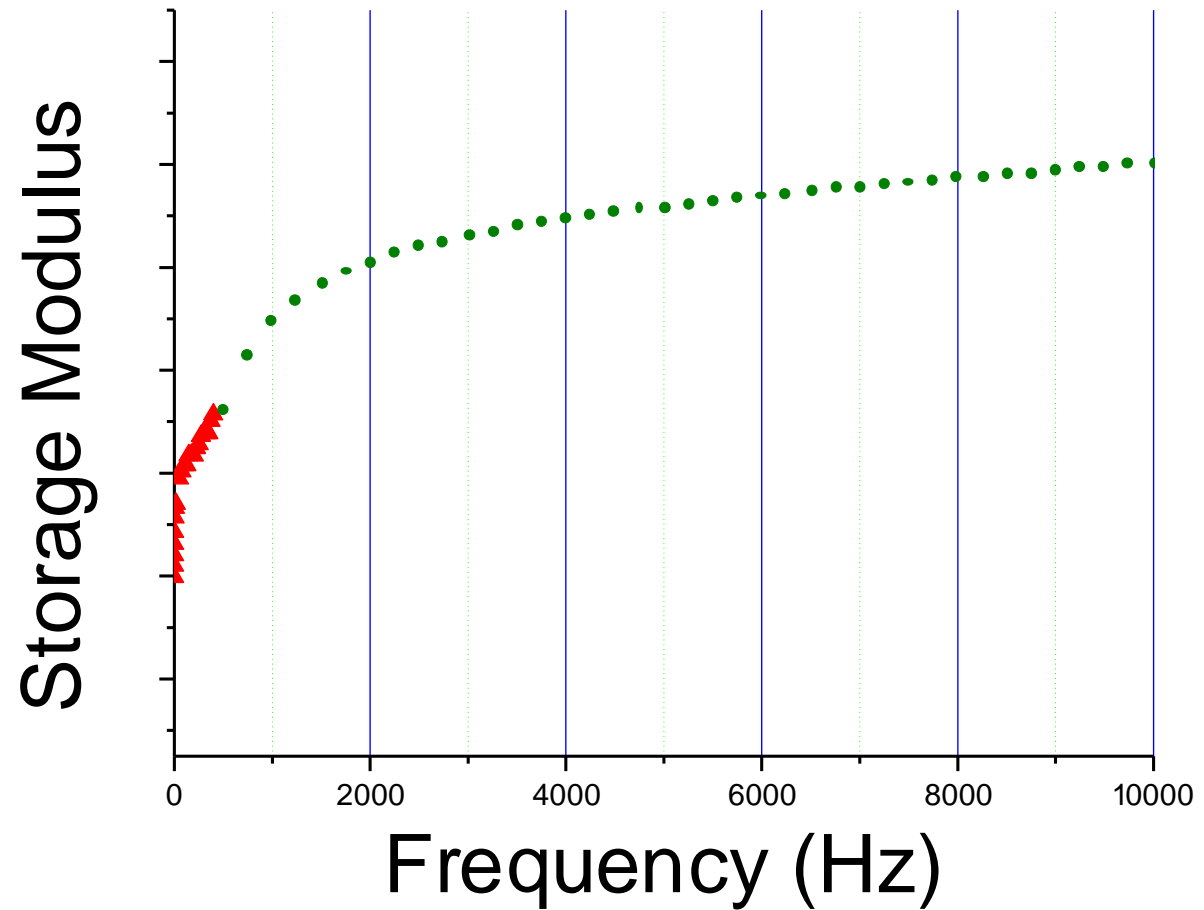
High Frequency Dynamics

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Vibrations

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Model Verification



Attributes of a Good Model Verification Experiment

The geometry is realistic.

All Relevant Constraints are Measurable.

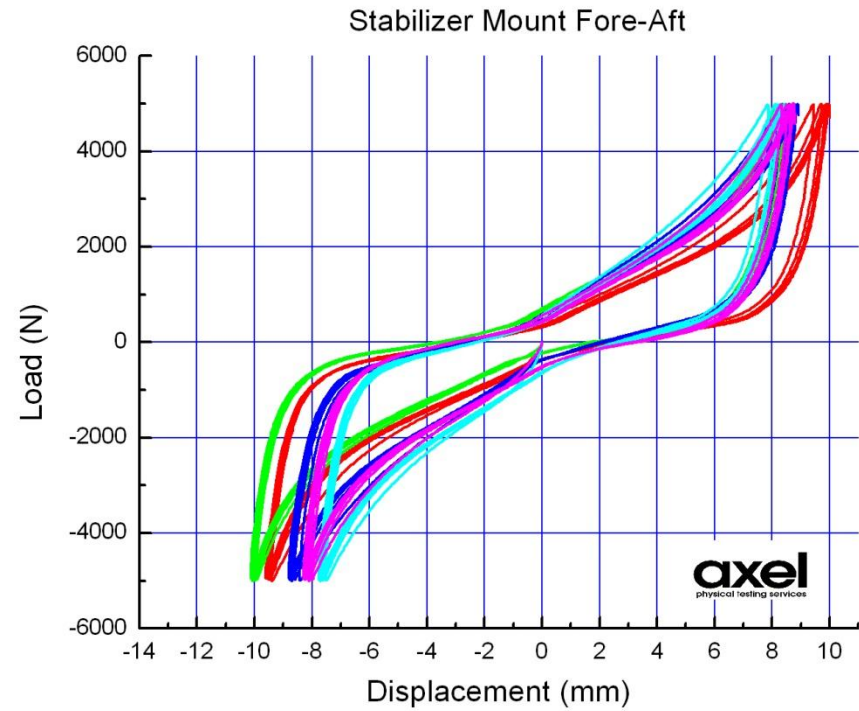
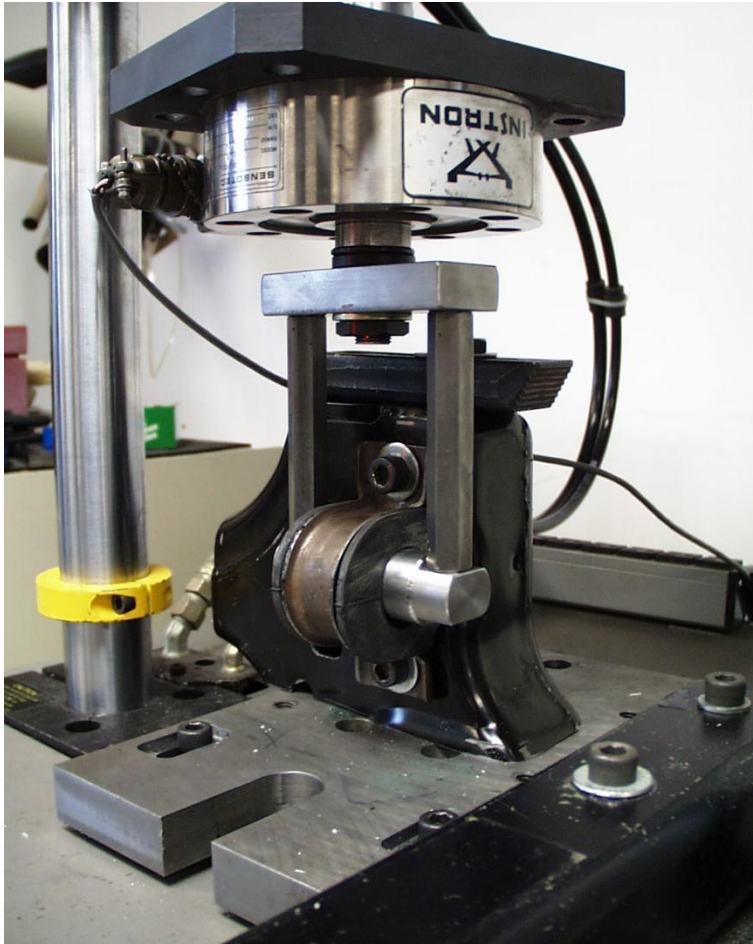
The Analytical Model is Well Understood

Model Verification

The Contribution of the Flashing on the Part was Unexpected, Initially Not Modeled, But Very Significant to the Actual Load Deflection



Model Verification



In Summary

We covered:

- General Strategy
- Basic Hyperelastic
- Basic Viscoelastic
- Thermal Effects
- Dynamic Measurements



Thank you!