

***Web Course***  
***Physical Properties of Glass***

- 1. Properties of Glass Melts***
- 2. Thermal Properties of Glasses***

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# Melt and Glass Properties

- Viscosity- chapter 9
- Surface Tension- chapter 9
- Thermal Expansion- chapter 10
- Heat Capacity- chapter 11
- Thermal Conductivity- chapter 12

# Supplementary References on Viscosity

- Structure, Dynamics and Properties of Silicate Melts, *Reviews in Mineralogy*, Vol. 32 (1995), ed. JF Stebbins, PF McMillan and DB Dingwell (Mineralogical Society of America)- *several outstanding reviews of viscosity, relaxation, etc.*
- CA Angell, *Science*, **267**, (1995), 1924- *concepts of melt fragility, configurational entropy, etc.*
- JH Simmons and C Simmons, *Cer Bull* 68[11] 1949 (1989)- *Non-Newtonian behavior*
- HE Hagy in Introduction to Glass Science, ed. LD Pye, et al Plenum Press (1972)- *nice review of viscosity measurements*

# Why should we care about melt viscosity?

## 1. Glass Forming Tendency

a. Nucleation, crystallization, phase separation kinetics

$$I_V^{HO} = N_V^0 \left( \frac{k \cdot T}{3\pi \cdot a_0^3 \cdot \eta} \right) \exp \left[ \frac{-K \cdot \sigma^3}{T \cdot \Delta G_v^2} \right]$$

## 2. Melt Fining

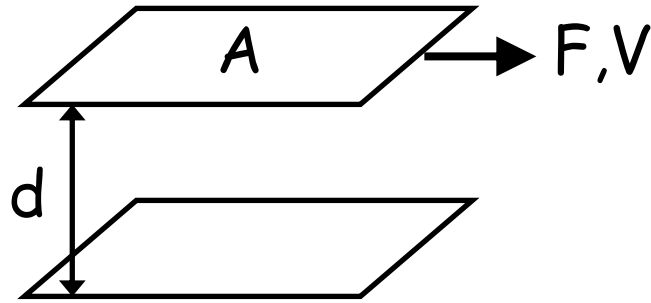
Stoke's Law : 
$$V = \frac{d^2 g (\rho_b - \rho_l)}{12\eta}$$

## 3. Manufacturing Process Control

## 4. Annealing Schedules/Permanent Stress

## 5. What else??

# Viscosity Definitions

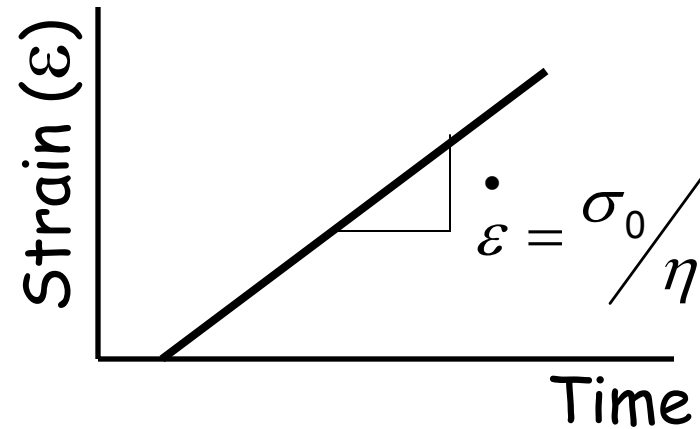
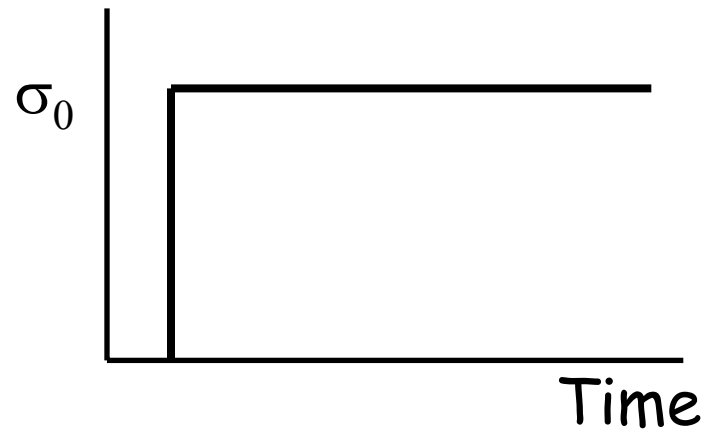


$$\text{Viscosity} \equiv \eta = \frac{Fd}{AV} = \frac{\sigma_0}{\dot{\epsilon}}$$

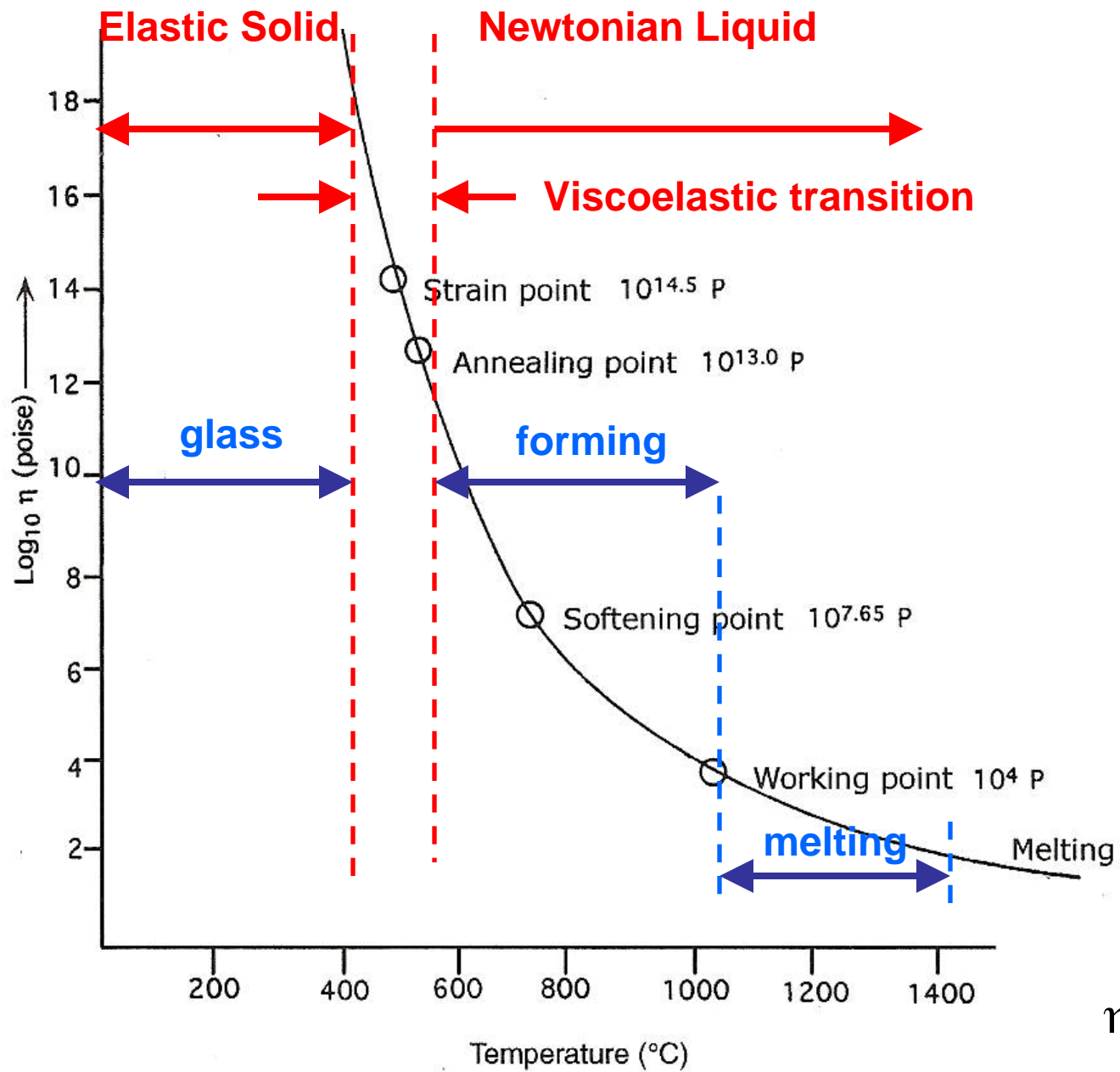
Units: (dynes·cm)/(cm<sup>2</sup>·(cm/s))  
 = dyne·s/cm<sup>2</sup> = Poise or  
 N·s/m<sup>2</sup> = Pa·s  
 1 Pa·s = 10 P  
 1 P = 1 dPa·s

Shear stress ( $\sigma$ )

Newtonian Liquids:



# Practical Consequences



$\eta(T)$  for SLS melt

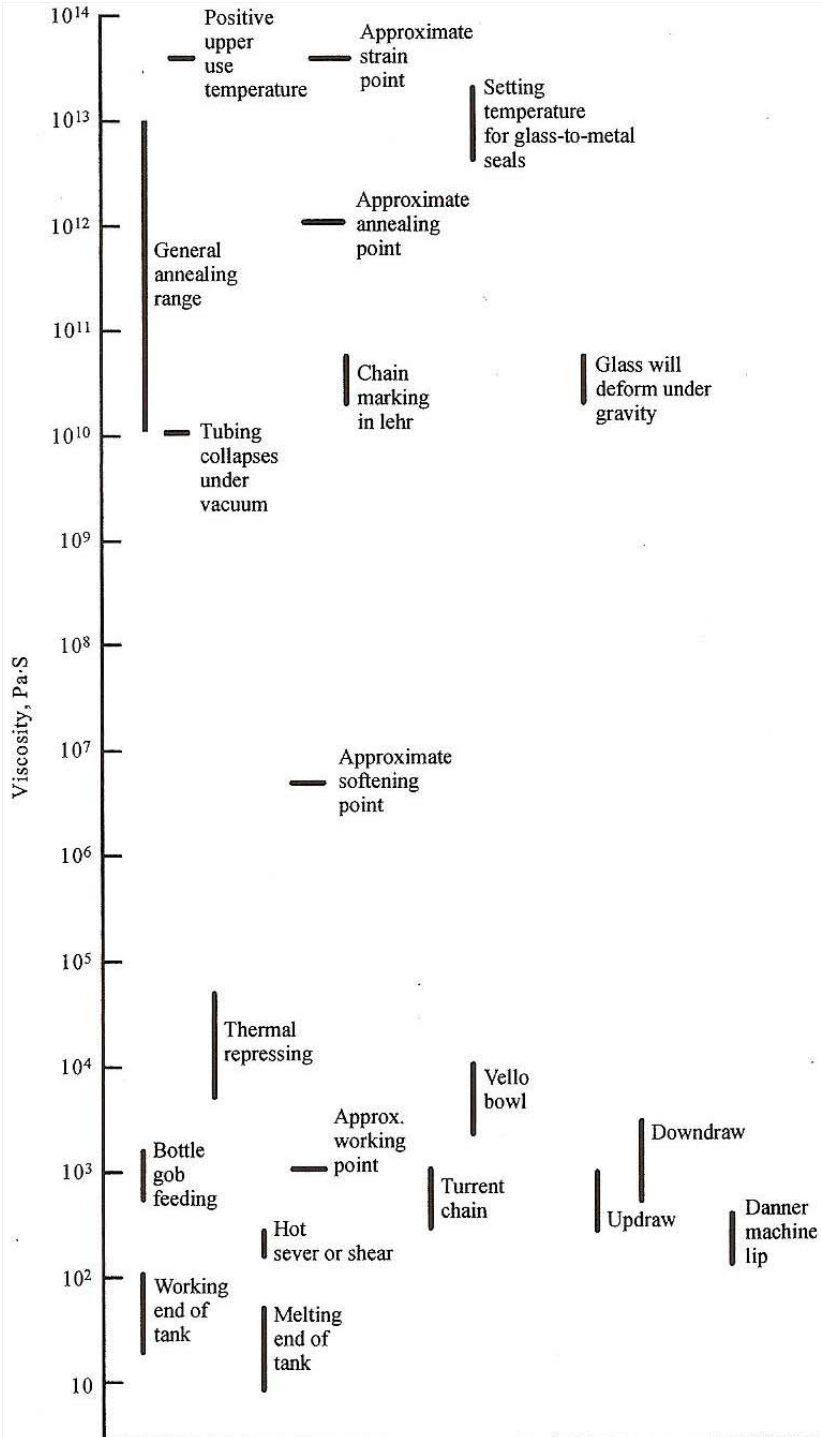


Table 14

Some Useful Viscosity Reference Values<sup>27</sup>  
(approximate only)

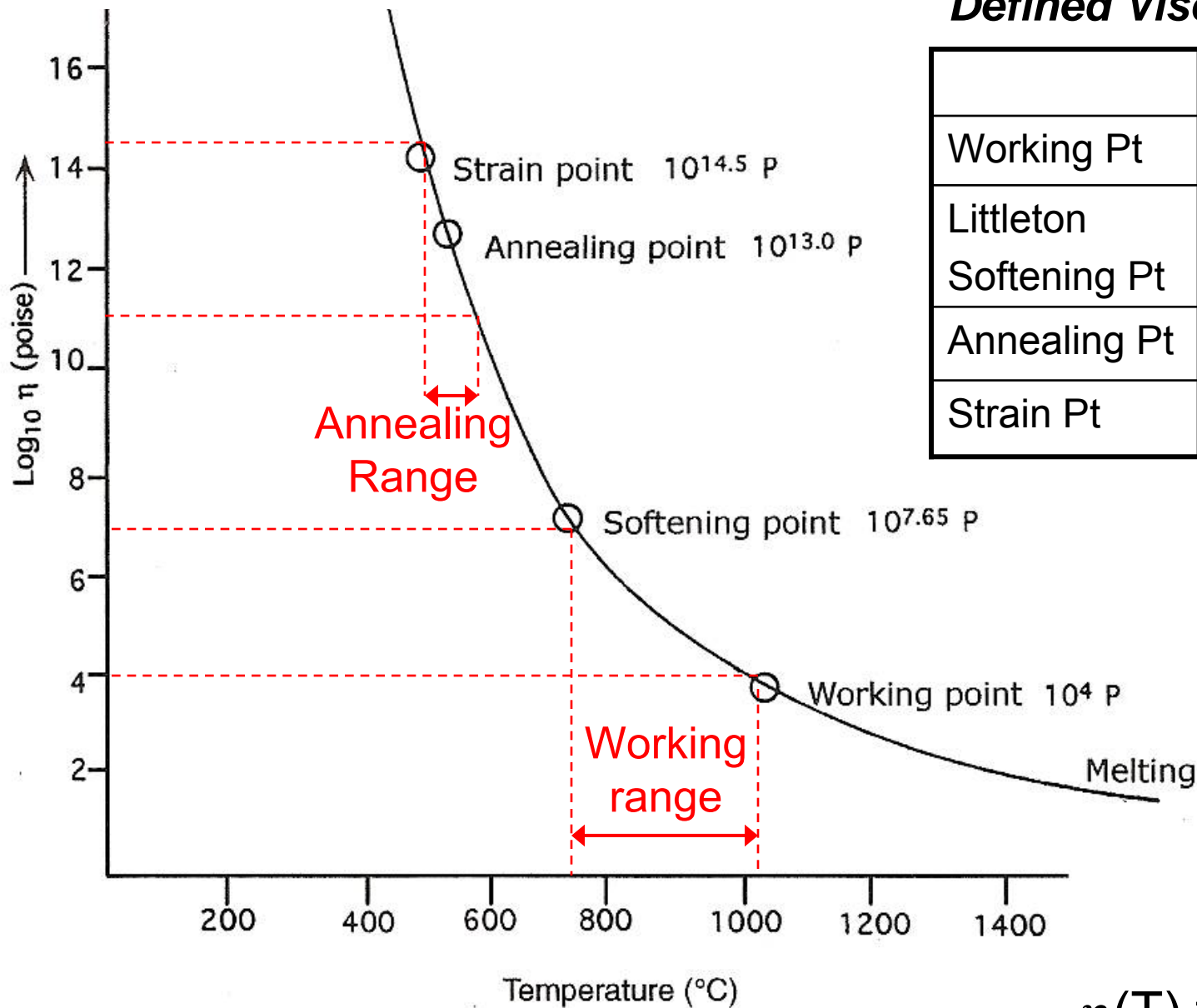
	Log Viscosity		Log Viscosity		Log Viscosity
ASTM Melting Range	1.5-2.5	ASTM Softening Point (S.P.)	7.6	Setting Up Temperature for Glass to Metal Sealing	13.6-14.3
Bottle Vacuum Gathering (Narrow Neck) 2 to 110 Ounce Weight	2.7-3.8	To Sinter for Porous Body from Powdered Glass	8.0-8.8	ASTM Annealing Range	13.0-14.4
To Heat for Hot Sever or Shear	3.3	Heavy Wall Tubing Will Collapse Under Vacuum	11.0	Matching Temperature for Contraction Curves for Glass to Metal Sealing	14.0-14.4
To Seal Glass To Glass	3.5	Chain Marking Can Occur in Lehr	11.3-11.7	General Limit of Measurement of Viscosity	14.0-14.6
Tumbler Vacuum Gathering	3.5	Glass Will Deform Under Gravity	11.3-11.7	The Lowest Temperature at which Stress Relief Can Be Accomplished in a Reasonable (Commercial) Time	14.6
Bottle Gob Feeding Range (Wide Mouth) 5 to 16 Ounce Weight	3.7-4.1	Deformation Range by Thermal Expansion Measurement	11.3-11.7	ASTM Strain Point (St. P.)	14.6
Casting Plate Glass	3.7-3.8	Optical Flats will Warp in a Few Minutes	11.5-11.8	Positive Upper Use Temperature Without Destroying Annealing	14.6
To Seal Glass to Metal	3.8	Practical Annealing Range	12.7-12.8	Safe Upper Use Temperature of Annealed Glass if Cooled Slowly to Avoid Temporary Cooling Stress	15.5-16.0
Fourcault Sheet Drawing	4.0-4.4	Stress Relief is Almost Instantaneous or Zero Time to a Few Seconds	12.7-12.8		
Begin Updraw Tubing Operation	5.3	ASTM Annealing Point (A.P.)	13.0		
Begin Downdraw Tubing Operation	5.3	Transformation Range	13.0-13.3-13.5		
To Flare Glass Tubing or Form a Lip	5.5	Full Range for General Annealing	11.0-14.0		
To Sinter for Solid Body From Powdered Glass	6.0				

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## ***Important Manufacturing Viscosities***

Name	$\eta$ (Pa·s)	Remarks
Melting pt ( $T_m$ )	$10^1$	
Melting range	$10^{0.5-10^{1.5}}$	Melting, fining
Working pt ( $T_w$ )	$10^3$	
Working range	$10^2-10^6$	Forming
Liquidus temp ( $T_l$ )	$\sim 10^4$	No crystallization for $T > T_l$
Flow point	$10^4$	
Softening point ( $T_{Lit}$ )	$10^{6.6}$	Littleton, flow under own weight
Crystallization temp ( $T_x$ )	$\sim 10^7$	No crystallization for $T < T_x$
Deformation temp ( $T_d$ )	$10^{10-10^{11}}$	Dilatometric: expansion compensated by viscous flow
Glass transition ( $T_g$ )	$10^{11-10^{12}}$	
Annealing pt ( $T_{ap}$ )	$10^{12}$	Internal stresses relieved <15 min
Strain pt ( $T_{sp}$ )	$10^{13.5}$	Internal stresses relieved <15 hrs



### Defined Viscosities

	log Pa·s	log P
Working Pt	$10^3$	$10^4$
Littleton Softening Pt	$10^{6.6}$	$10^{7.6}$
Annealing Pt	$10^{12}$	$10^{13}$
Strain Pt	$10^{13.5}$	$10^{14.5}$

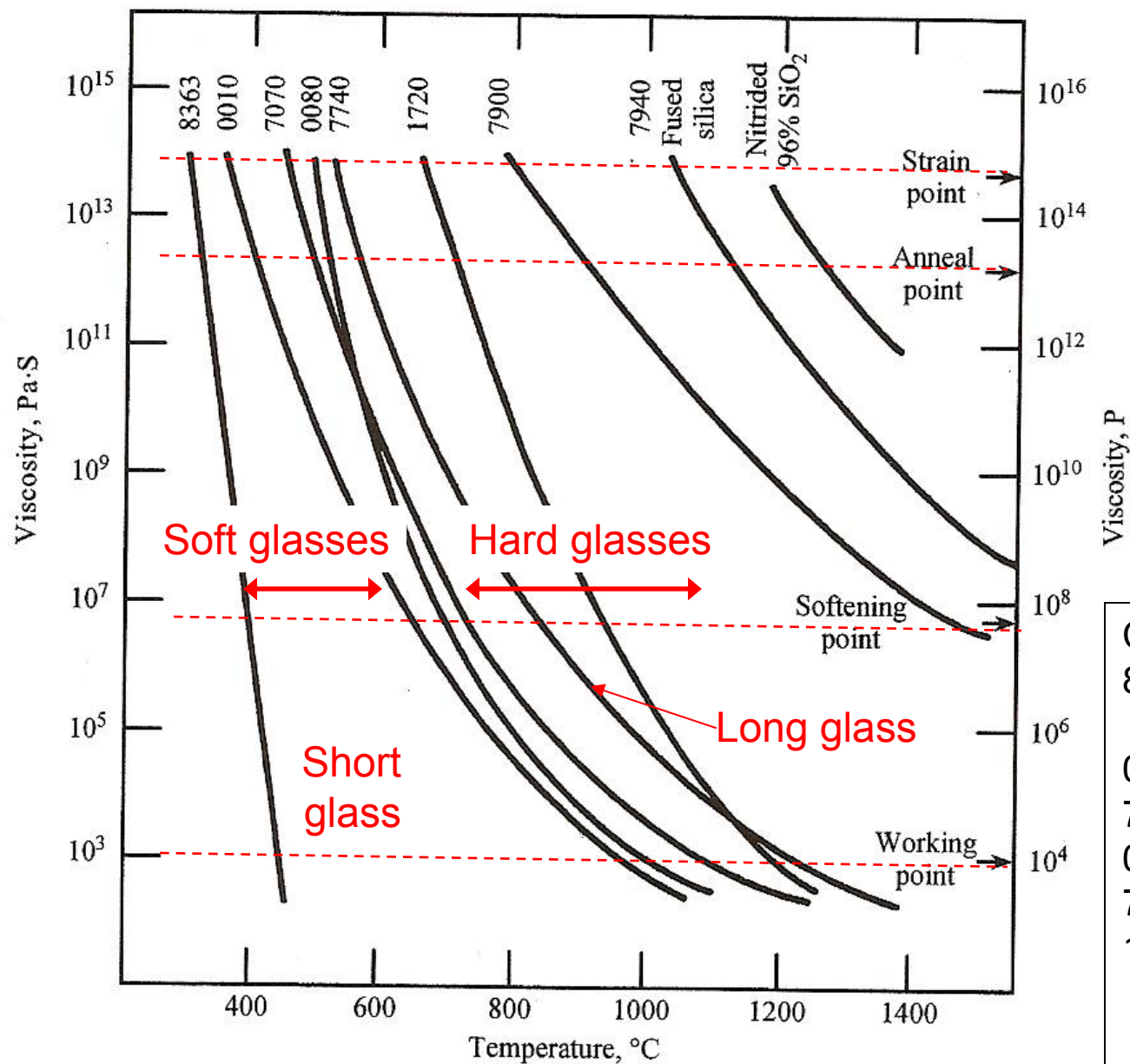
FIGURE 5.21 Viscosity  $\eta$  versus temperature for a typical soda-lime-silicate glass.

$\eta(T)$  for SLS melt

# Viscosity Classifications

- Working Range: Temperatures ( $\Delta T$ ) between 'working point' and 'softening point'
  - **Long glasses:** large  $\Delta T$  (shallow  $\eta(T)$  curves)
  - **Short glasses:** small  $\Delta T$  (steep  $\eta(T)$  curves)
  - **Hard glasses:** Working range at greater temperatures than for S-L-S glass
    - Borosilicates, aluminosilicates, oxynitrides, silica, etc.
    - Sometimes defined as  $CTE < 6 \times 10^{-6}/^{\circ}C$
  - **Soft glasses:** Working range at lower temperatures than for S-L-S glass
    - Soda-lime silicate, Pb-silicates
    - Sometimes defined as  $CTE > 6 \times 10^{-6}/^{\circ}C$

From Seward and Varshneya (2001)



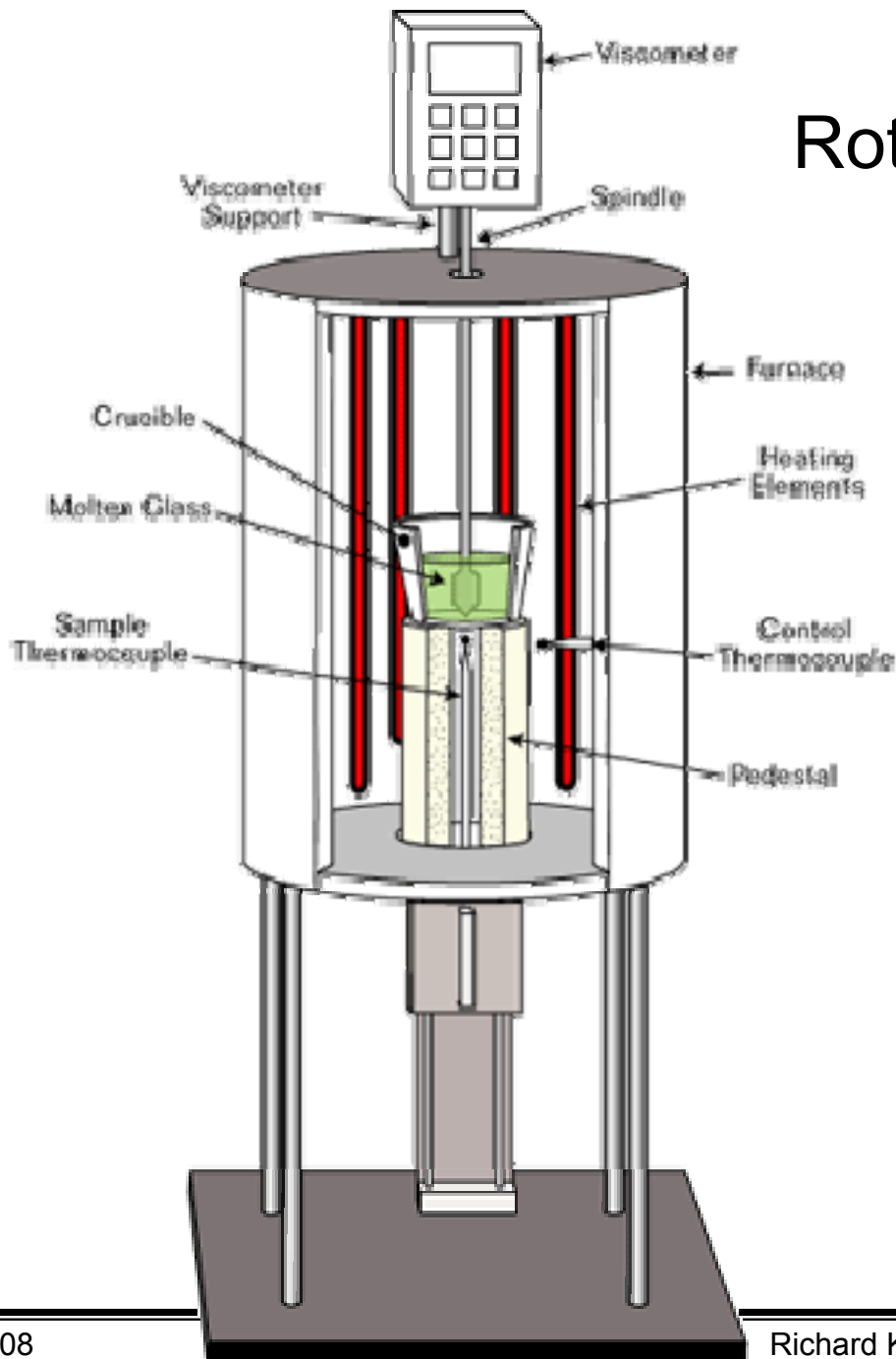
- Corning Codes:
- 8363: High PbO radiation shield
  - 0010: Pb-silicate tube
  - 7070: Borosilicate
  - 0080: SLS lamp glass
  - 7740: Pyrex
  - 1720: Alkaline-earth borosilicate

**FIGURE 6.2** Viscosity versus temperature for some commercial glasses designated by glass codes (see Tables 6.1 and 6.2). (Courtesy of Corning Incorporated.)

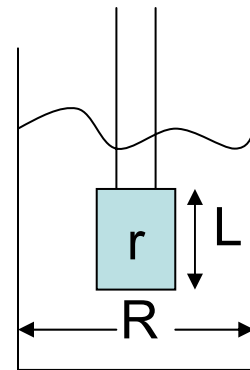
# Measurement of Viscosity

Range	Method	Viscosity Values
Melting	Falling Sphere/Bubble Rise	$\eta < 10^4 \text{ Pa-s}$
	Margules Rotating Cylinder	$\eta < 10^6 \text{ Pa-s}$
Softening and Annealing	Parallel Plate	$10^5 \text{ Pa-s} < \eta < 10^9 \text{ Pa-s}$
	Penetration Viscometer	$10^5 \text{ Pa-s} < \eta < 10^9 \text{ Pa-s}$
	Fiber Elongation	$10^5 \text{ Pa-s} < \eta < 10^{15.5} \text{ Pa-s}$
	Beam Bending	$10^7 \text{ Pa-s} < \eta < 10^{12} \text{ Pa-s}$
	Disappearance of Stress	$10^{11} \text{ Pa-s} < \eta < 10^{14} \text{ Pa-s}$

# Rotating Spindle: $10\text{-}10^6 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$ (ASTM C965-96)



$$\eta = \frac{1}{4\pi \cdot L} \left( \frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{1}{R^2} \right) \left( \frac{T}{\omega} \right)$$



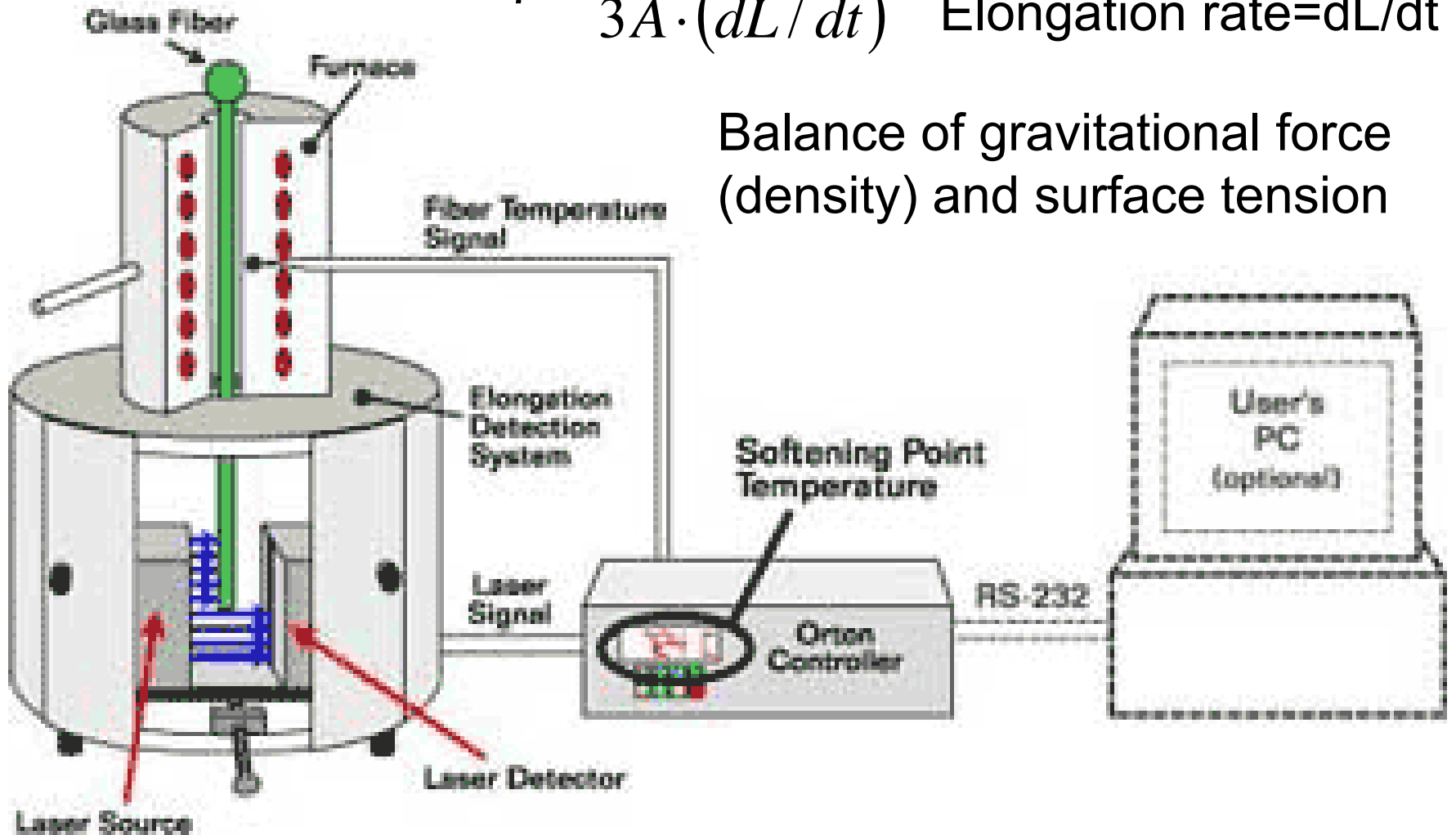
$T$  = torque  
 $\omega$  = rotational velocity

# Littleton Softening Point: $10^{6.6}$ Pa·s (fiber elongation- ASTM C338-93)

$$\eta = \frac{L \cdot F}{3A \cdot (dL/dt)}$$

Applied Stress =  $F/A$   
Elongation rate =  $dL/dt$

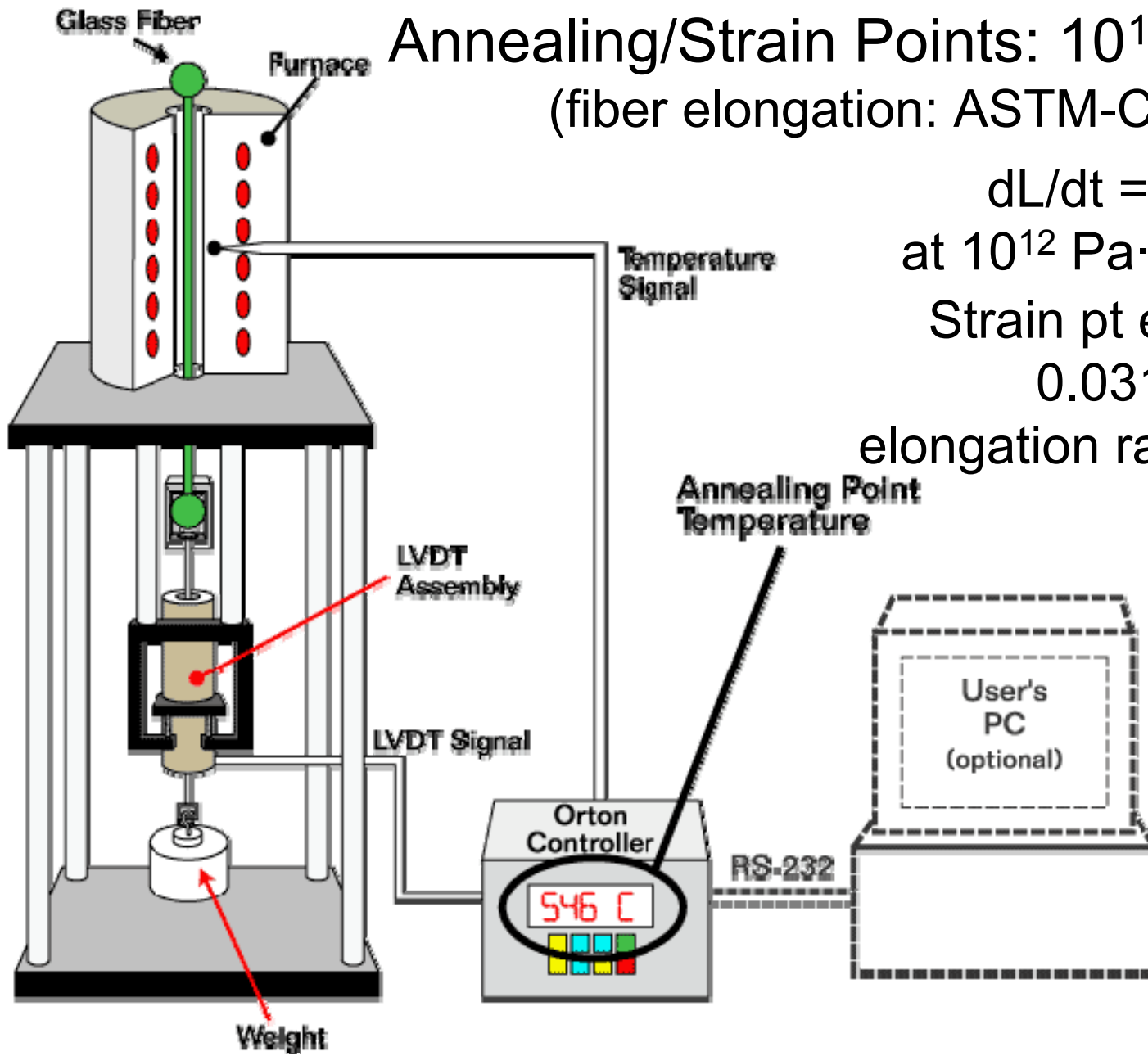
Balance of gravitational force  
(density) and surface tension



Annealing/Strain Points:  $10^{12}$ ,  $10^{13.5}$  Pa·s  
(fiber elongation: ASTM-C336-69)

$dL/dt = 2.5 \times 10^{-6} l/d^2$   
at  $10^{12}$  Pa·s (anneal pt)

Strain pt elongation rate is  
0.0316 x annealing pt  
elongation rate (1.5 log units)

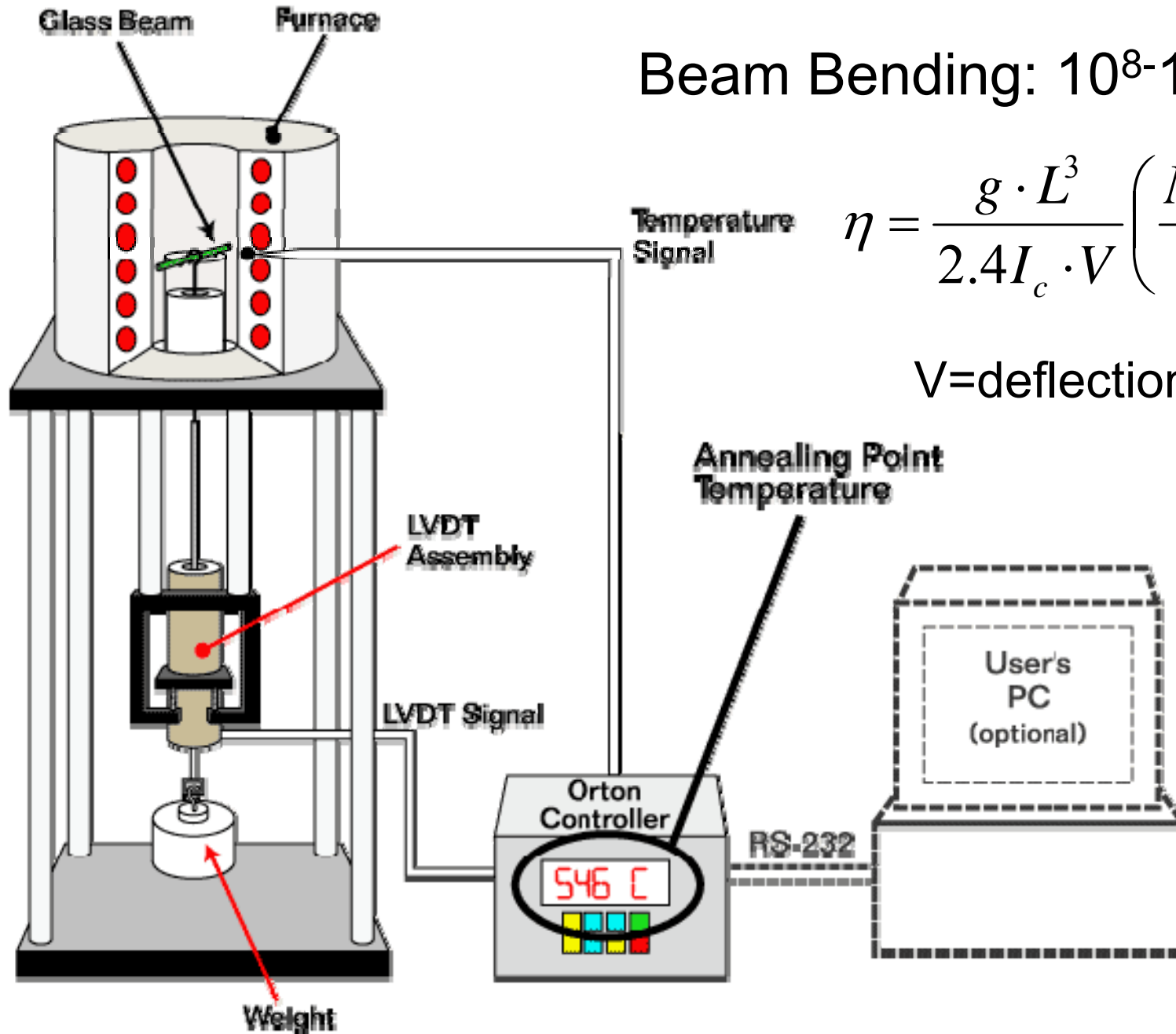




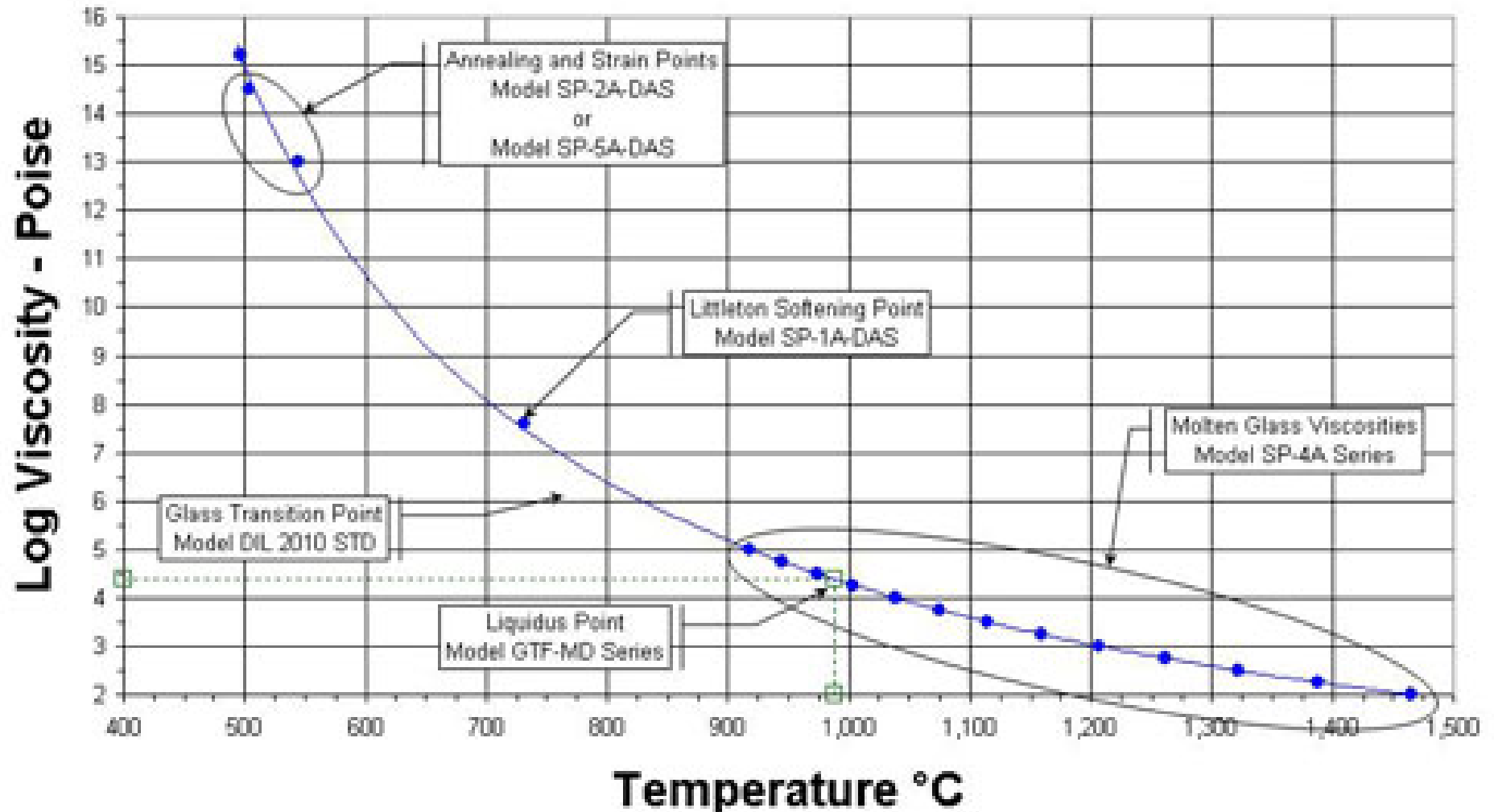
# Beam Bending: $10^8$ - $10^{13}$ Pa-s

$$\eta = \frac{g \cdot L^3}{2.4 I_c \cdot V} \left( \frac{M + A \cdot L \cdot \rho}{1.6} \right)$$

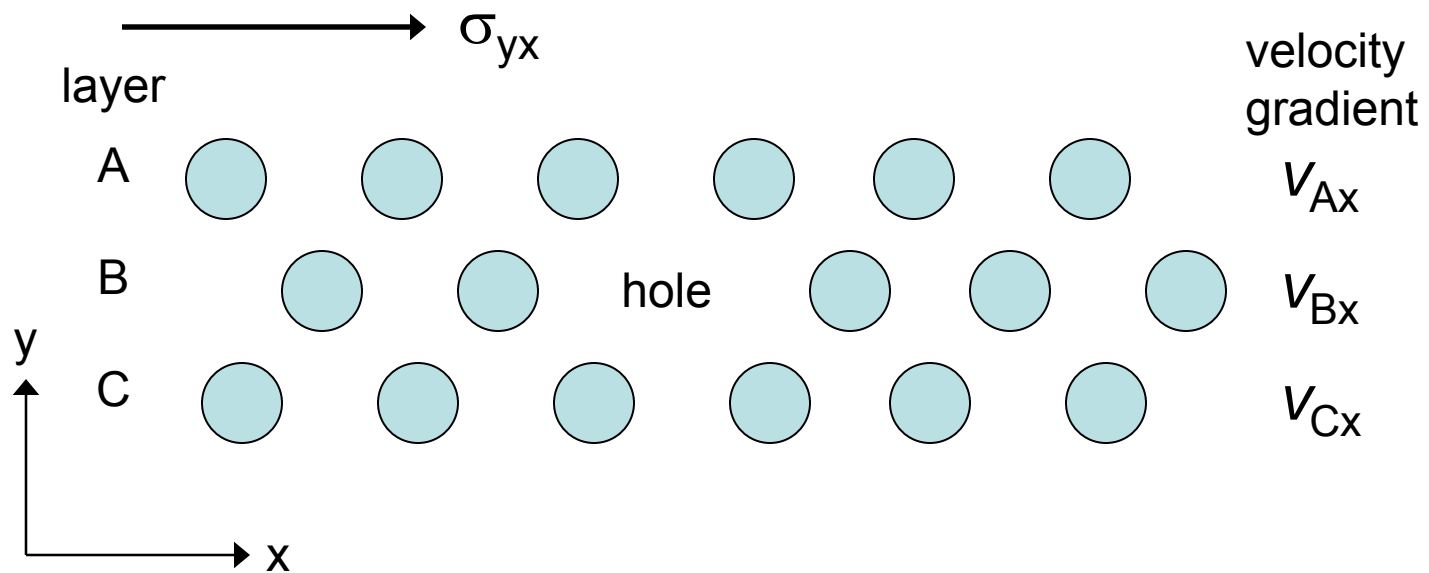
V=deflection rate



# Orton Instruments to Determine the Viscosity as a Function of Temperature



# ***The temperature dependence of viscosity***



Consider the 'activated' motion of a hole under the action of a shearing stress

APRIL, 1936

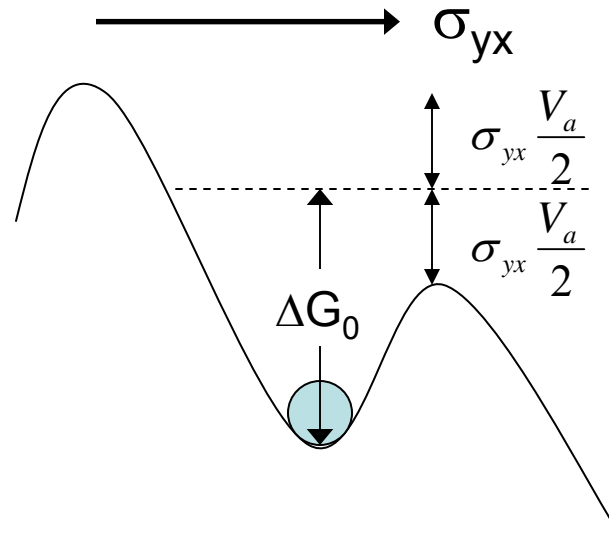
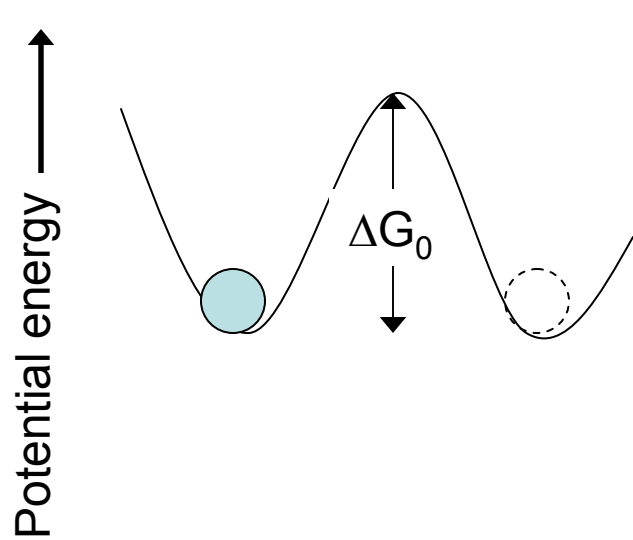
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## Viscosity, Plasticity, and Diffusion as Examples of Absolute Reaction Rates

HENRY EYRING, *Princeton University*

(Received February 3, 1936)



Jump frequency ( $\nu_0$ ), no shear:

- Same l-r as r-l
- Depends on barrier energy and probability of finding suitable hole as neighbor ( $P_h$ )

$$\nu_0 = [k_B T / h] \exp[-\Delta G_0 / k_B T] \cdot P_h$$

Applied shear biases potential energy function

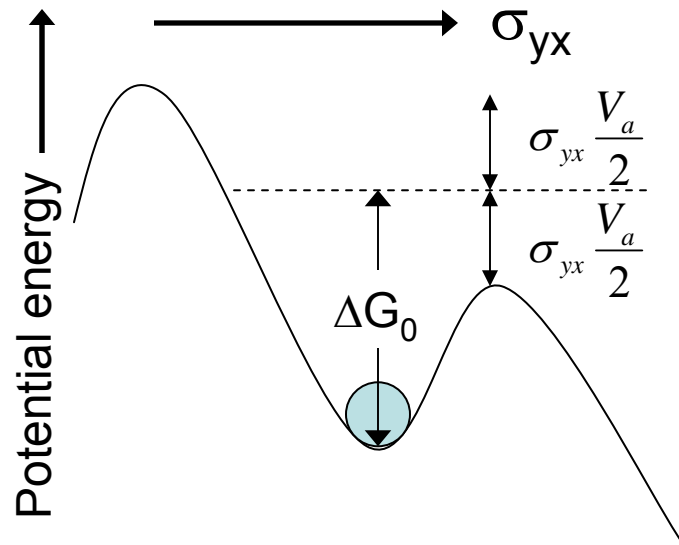
- $V_a$  is atom volume
- Forward jump frequency ( $\nu_+$ ) exceeds reverse ( $\nu_-$ )

$$\nu_+ = [k_B T / h] \exp[-(\Delta G_0 - \frac{\sigma_{yx} V_a}{2}) / k_B T] \cdot P_h$$

$$\nu_+ = \nu_0 \exp[\sigma_{yx} V_a / 2k_B T]$$

$$\nu_- = [k_B T / h] \exp[-(\Delta G_0 + \frac{\sigma_{yx} V_a}{2}) / k_B T] \cdot P_h$$

$$\nu_- = \nu_0 \exp[-\sigma_{yx} V_a / 2k_B T]$$



The net 'forward velocity' is

$$(v_{Bx} - v_{Ax}) = (v_+ - v_-)\delta x$$

$$\partial v / \partial y = (v_+ - v_-)\delta x / \delta y \approx (v_+ - v_-)$$

$$\partial v / \partial y = 2v_0 \sinh(\sigma_{yx} V_a / 2k_B T) \cong v_0 \sigma_{yx} V_a / k_B T$$

shear strain rate is  $\dot{\epsilon}_{xy} = \partial v / \partial y$ ,

$$\eta = \sigma_{yx} / [v_0 \sigma_{yx} V_a / k_B T] = [h / V_a] [\exp(\Delta G_0 / k_B T) (P_h)^{-1}]$$

Consider the energy required to create a hole ( $\Delta E_h$ ), then  $P_h$  can be described by

$$P_h = \exp[-\Delta E_h / k_B T]$$

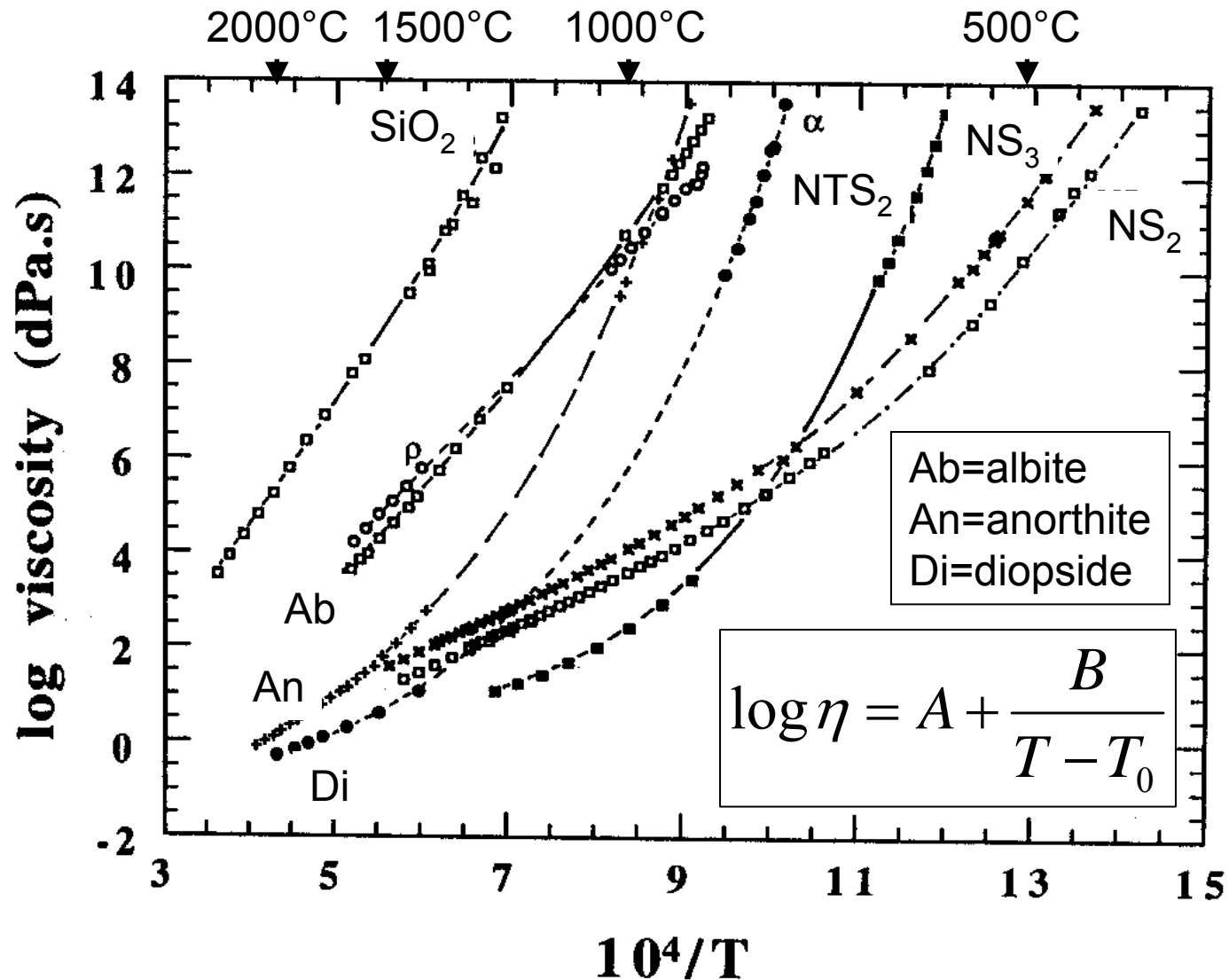
substituting  $P_h$  into the viscosity equation,

$$\eta = [h / V_a] [\exp(\Delta G_0 + \Delta E_h) / k_B T]$$

Simplifying as an Arrhenius equation:

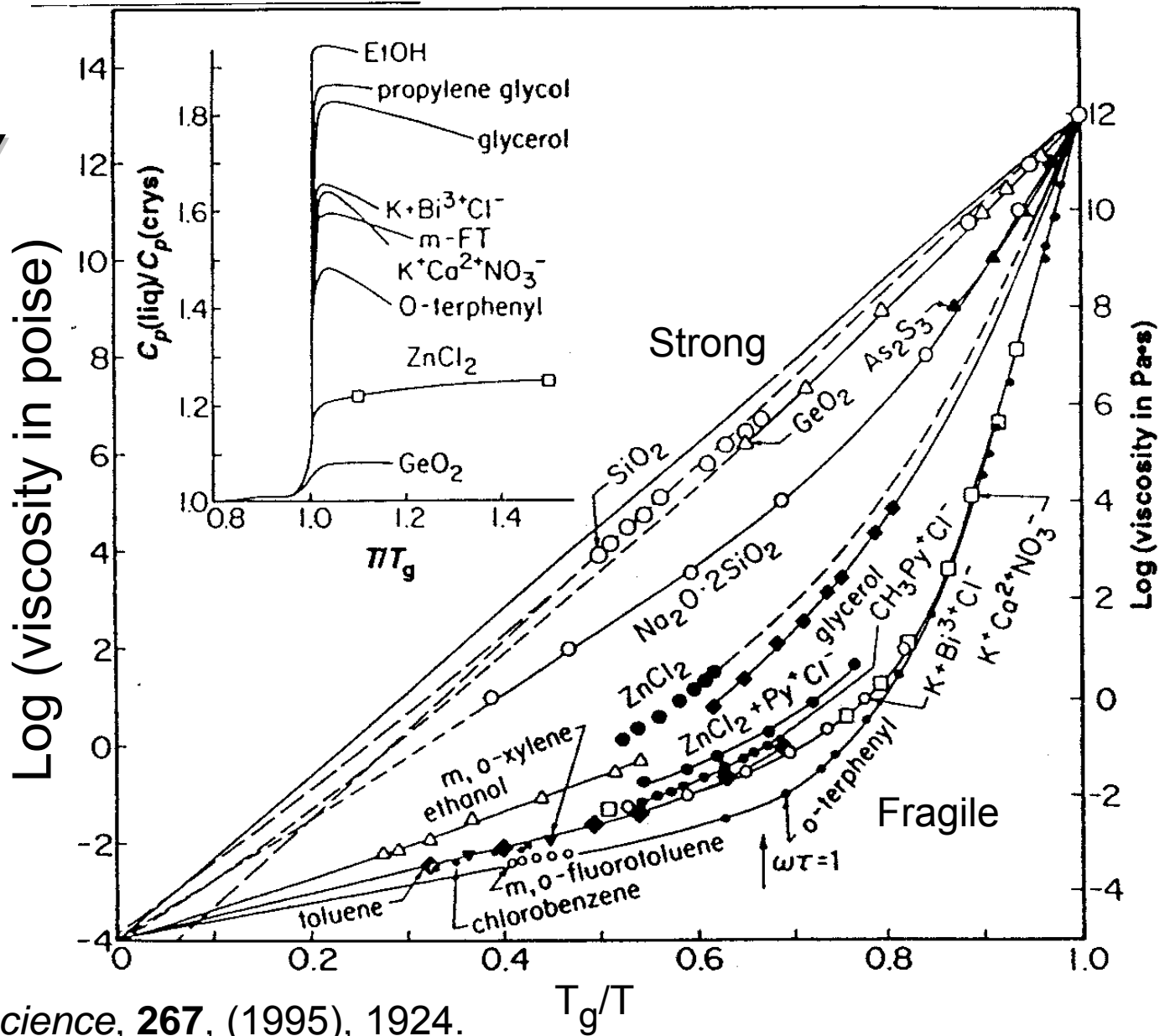
$$\eta = \eta_0 \exp(\Delta H_\eta / RT)$$

# Most glass-forming liquids are non-Arrhenius



From P. Richet and Y. Bottinga, in *Reviews in Mineralogy*, Vol. 32, (1995), p. 67-93

# Melt Fragility



From C. A. Angell, *Science*, **267**, (1995), 1924.



# Why the non-Arrhenius temperature-dependence?

1. Energy for hole formation ( $\Delta E_h$ ) is low at high temperatures
  - $\Delta H_\eta$  is greater at lower temperatures
2. Free-volume increases with temperature
3. Configurational entropy increases with temperature (Adam-Gibbs description)

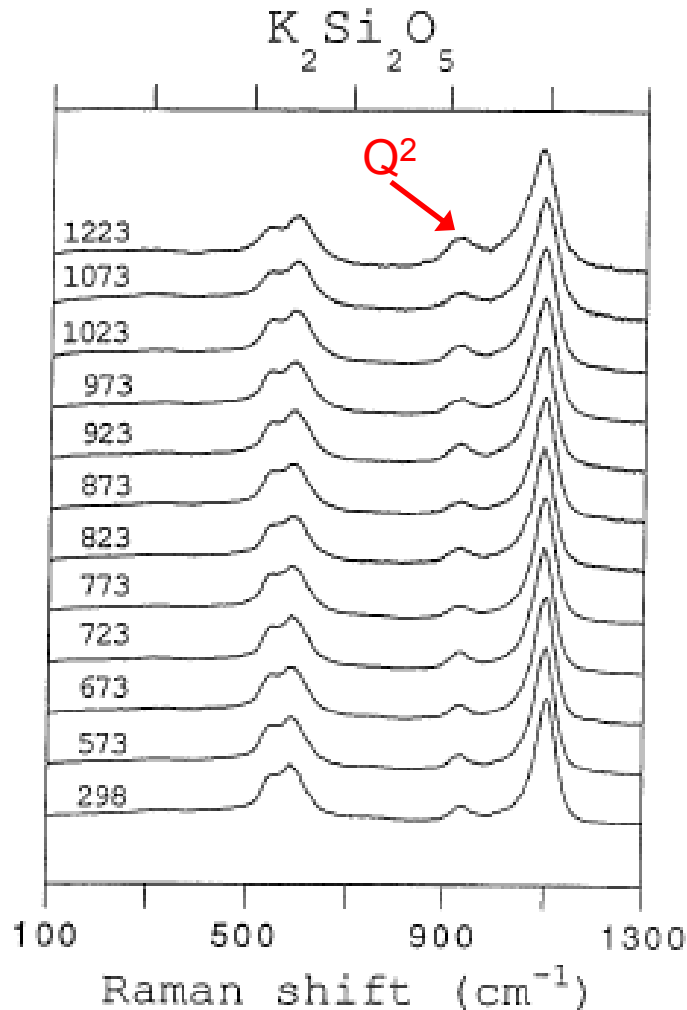
What accounts for viscous flow in  
a silicate melt?

What has to happen for flow to  
occur?

# What happens at the molecular-level that affects viscosity?

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McMillan & Wolf: *Spectroscopy of Silicate Liquids*



At the short timescales, 'melt structures' are similar to 'glass structures'....

- **Raman spectroscopy**- probing structure on timescales  $10^{-12}$ - $10^{-14}$  s
- Si-O stretching/bending modes remain dominate from room temperature into the melt
- Some evidence for some melt speciation reactions:  $2Q^3 \leftrightarrow Q^2 + Q^4$

**Figure 14.** High temperature Raman spectra for  $K_2Si_2O_5$  glass and supercooled liquid (McMillan et al., 1992). Temperatures are given in Kelvins. Spectra have been corrected for first-order Raman effects. The melting temperature for this composition is 1320 K, and the glass transition is at 765 K. The  $Q^2$  peak is seen to increase in relative intensity with temperature, above  $T_g$ .

# NMR provides structural information about glasses

Gurman 1990

Maekawa et al. 1991

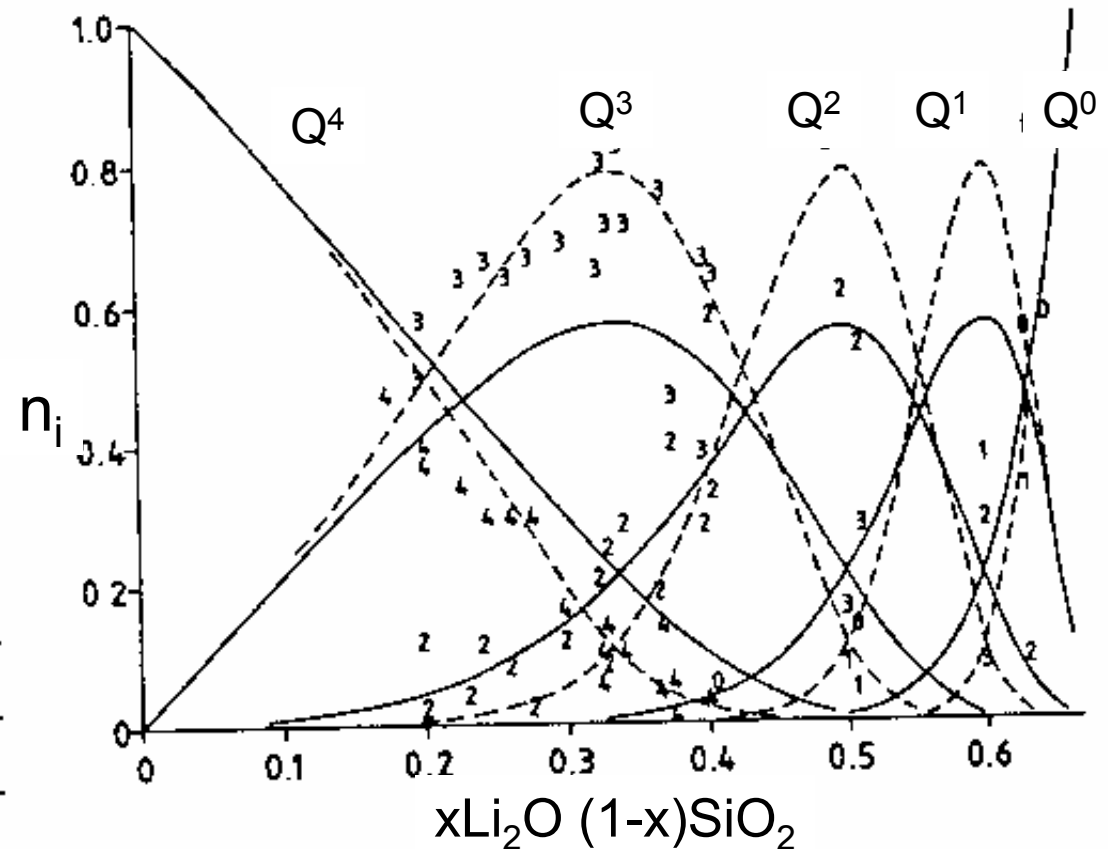
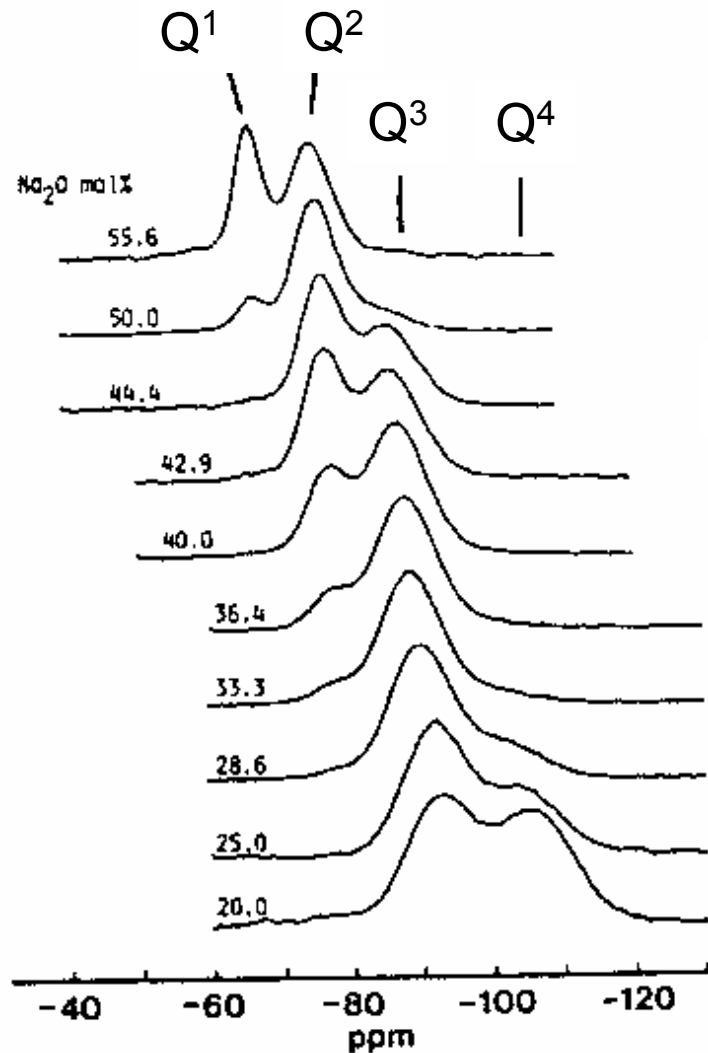
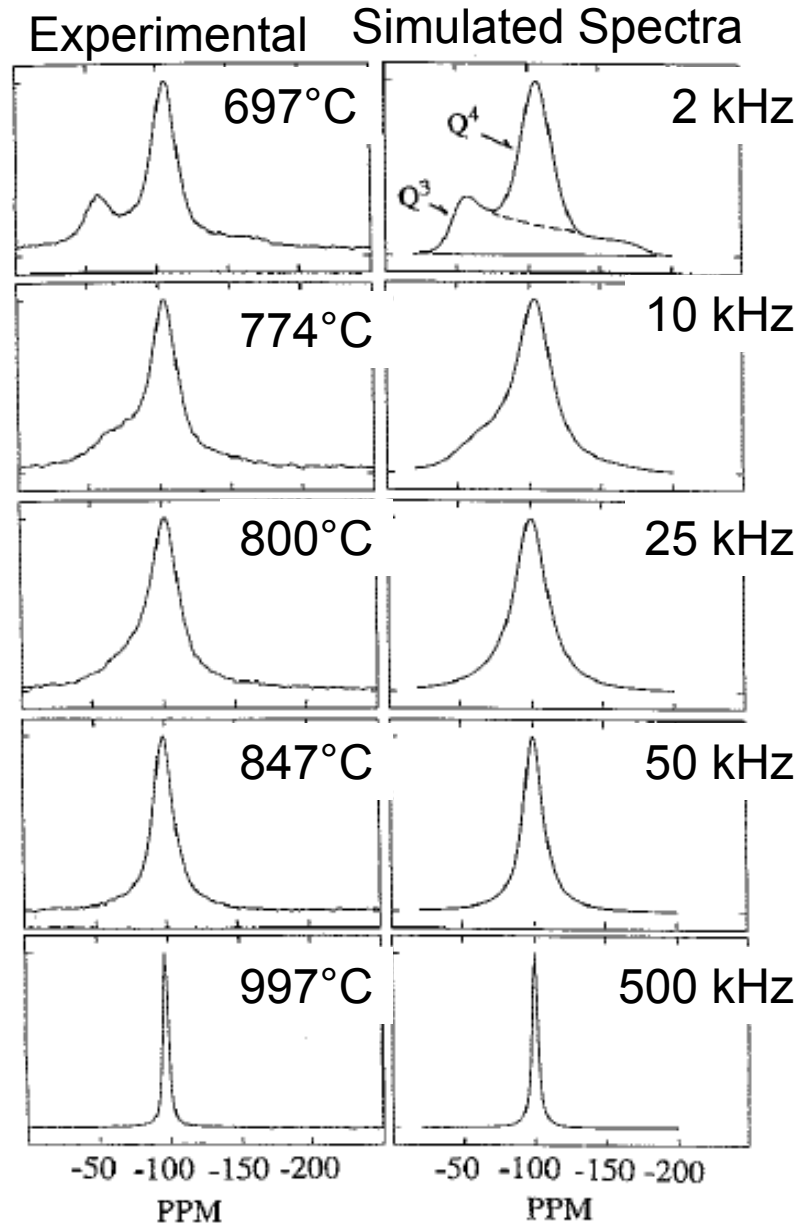


Fig. 2. Proportions of Q species in lithium silicate glasses. —,  $\Delta E/kT = 1$ ; - - - - -,  $\Delta E/kT = 2$ . The numbers indicate experimental values of  $n_i$ ,  $i = 0-4$ . Data from Raman and NMR studies.

## Chemical exchange in melts: silicate species and viscous flow

- NMR exchange frequencies (kHz range) are comparable to the timescales for viscous flow in silicate melts
- The 'lifetimes' for Si-O bonds in a melt can be determined and compared with timescales associated with viscous flow
- At high temperatures, the Q<sup>3</sup>-Q<sup>4</sup> exchange (Si-O bond rupture) is fast compared to the experimental time frame.



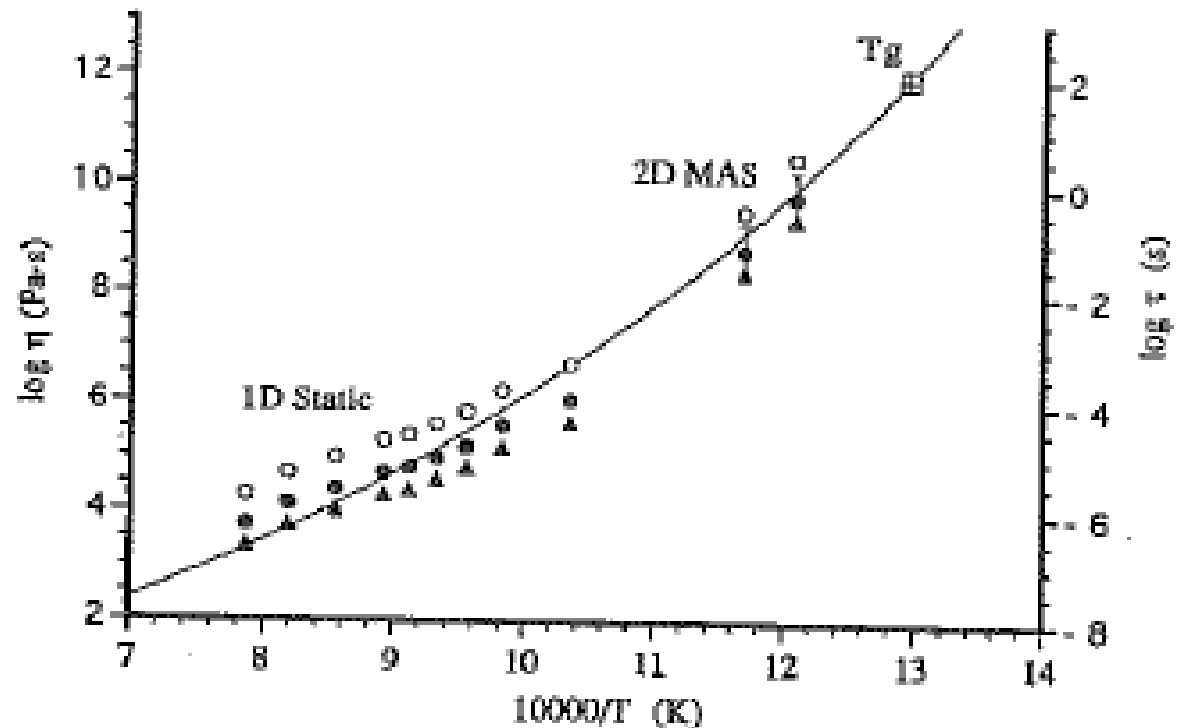
**Figure 18.** Static (i.e. non-MAS) <sup>29</sup>Si spectra of K<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub> glass and liquid (left) and multi-site exchange simulations (right). Temperatures: (a) 697°C; (b) 774°C; (c) 800°C; (d) 847°C; (e) 997°C. Exchange frequencies, in kHz: (f) 2; (g) 10; (h) 25; (i) 50; (j) 500. Q<sup>4</sup> and Q<sup>3</sup> static CSA patterns are labeled in the lowest temperature spectrum. [Used by permission of the editor of *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, from Farnan and Stebbins (1990a), Fig. 5, p. 36.]

# NMR exchange and viscosity timescales coincide

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Stebbins: *Dynamics and Structure of Melts: NMR Studies*

Figure 19. Plot of  $\log_{10}$  of viscosity and of shear relaxation time for  $K_2Si_4O_9$  liquid vs. inverse temperature. The solid curve is a fit to observed viscosities and can be converted to mean shear relaxation time (right side scale) by using Equation (12). Open circles are exchange times derived from  $^{29}Si$  NMR data; solid triangles are viscosities calculated from NMR exchange times using an Eyring model (Eqs. 13 and 14, except with a factor of 2 instead of 6); solid circles are calculated using the Stokes-Einstein equation. Redrawn from (Farnan and Stebbins, 1994).

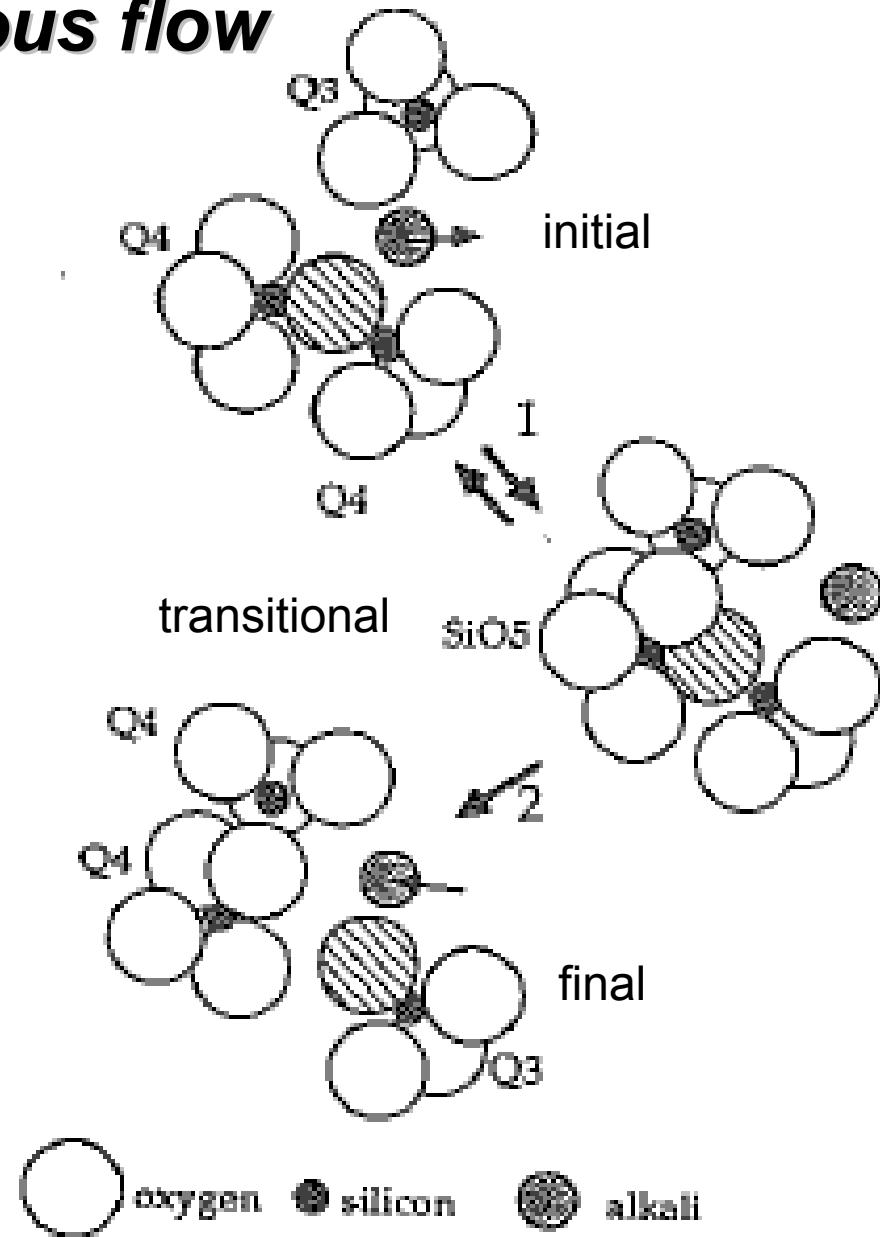
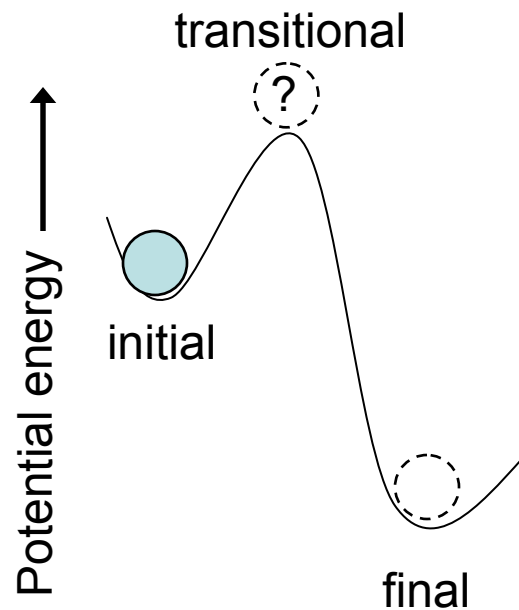


1. Maxwell relationship:  $\eta = \tau_{\text{shear}} \cdot G_{\infty}$
2. Assume that  $\tau_{\text{shear}} \approx \tau_{\text{ex}}$
3. Calculate diffusivity (D) from  $\tau_{\text{ex}}$ :  $D = d^2/6\tau$ , d is 'jump distance'
4. Calculate viscosity from  $\eta = k_B T/(dD)$

# Stebbins model for viscous flow

Si-O bond-rupture through Q<sup>3</sup>-Q<sup>4</sup> site exchange

- Conversion of one bridging oxygen to a nonbridging oxygen
- 'Diffusion' of modifying cation from one silicate unit to another
- Creation of an SiO<sub>5</sub> transitional site?



**NMR evidence for transitional sites 'frozen into' quenched glass structures**

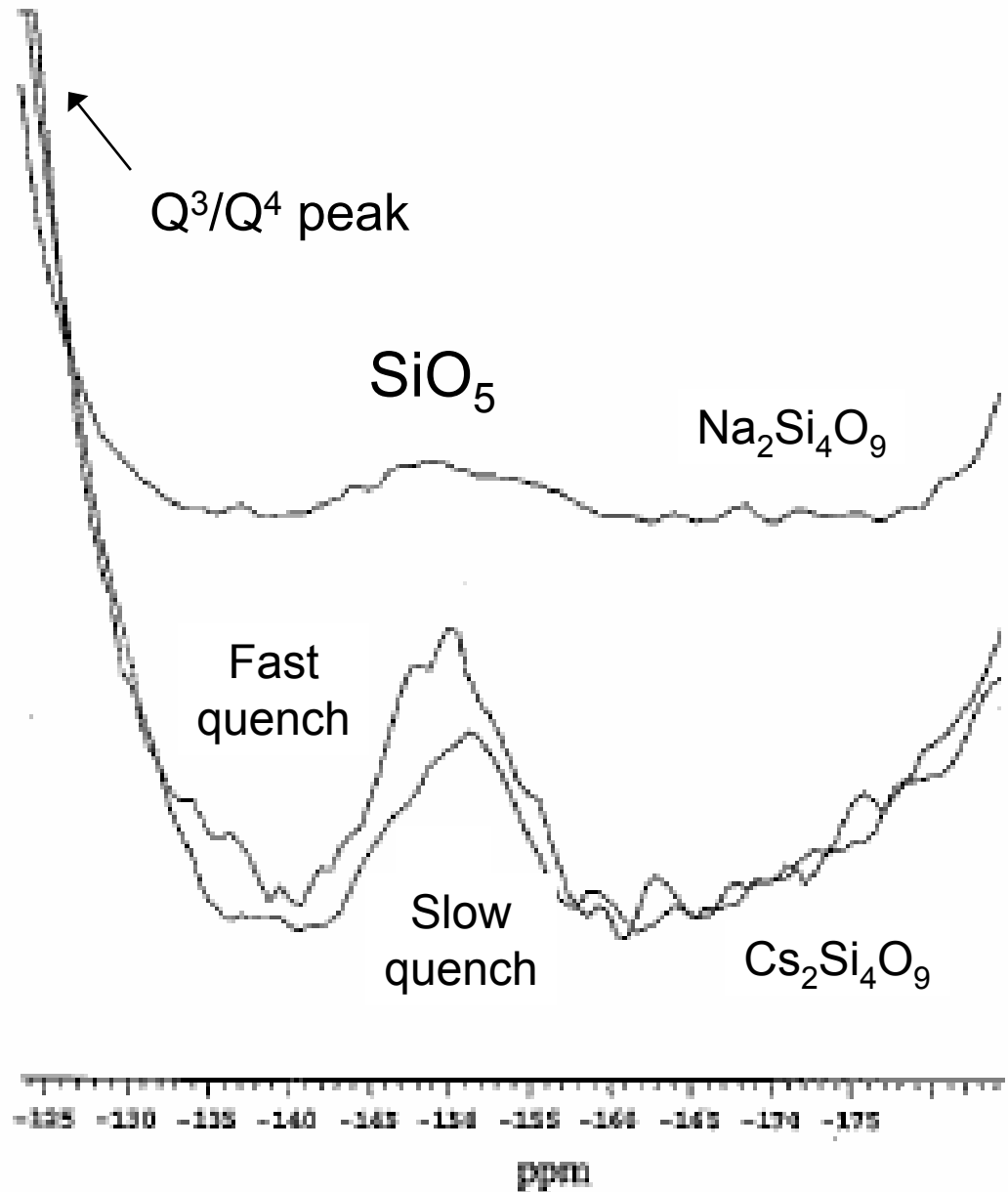


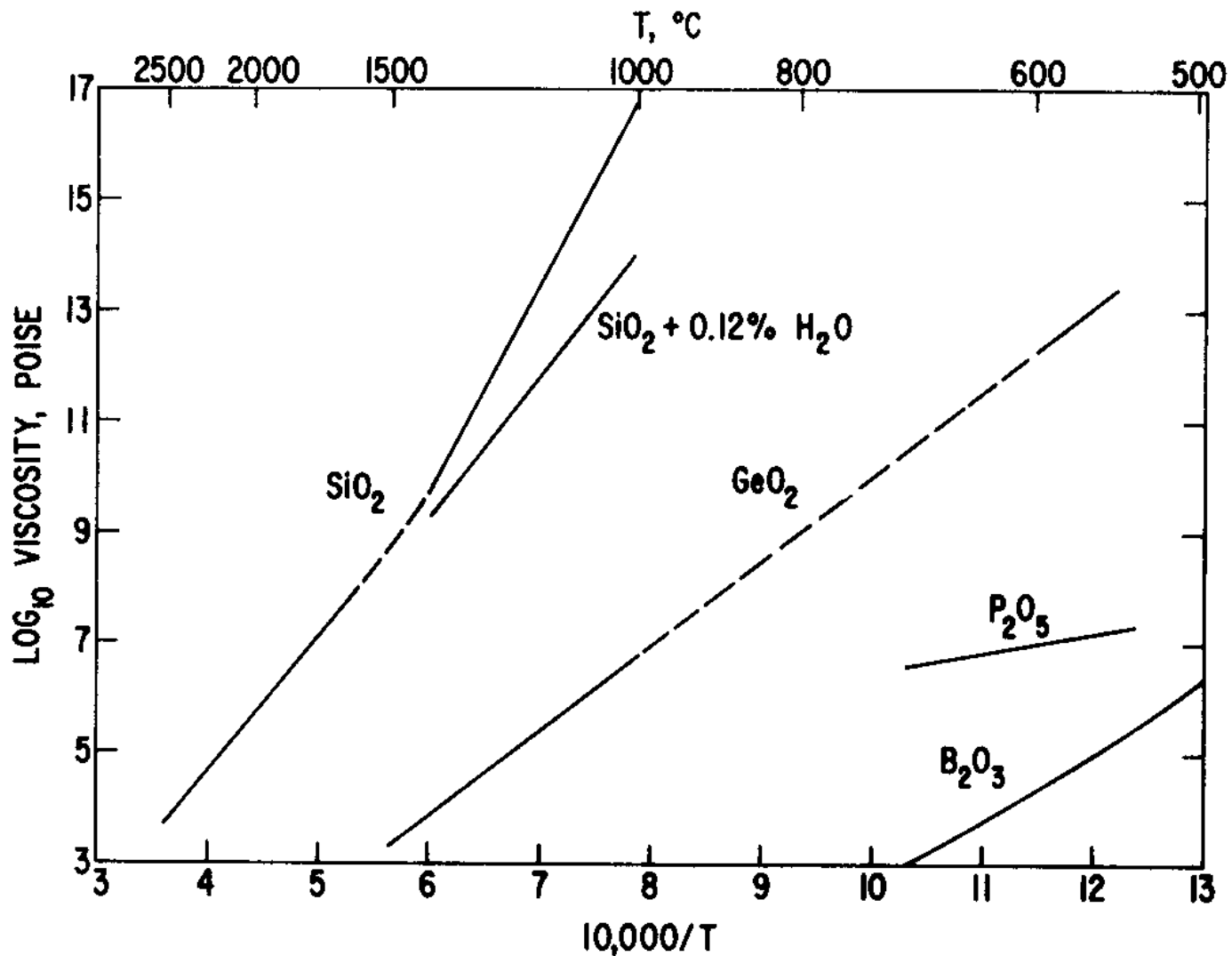
Figure 12.  $^{29}\text{Si}$  MAS spectra for  $\text{Cs}_2\text{Si}_4\text{O}_9$  and  $\text{Na}_2\text{Si}_4\text{O}_9$  glasses, with vertical scale expanded greatly to show  $^{29}\text{Si}$  peak. Note that this feature is more intense in the fast-quenched sample (higher fictive temperature). The steep slope to the left is the side of the  $\text{SiO}_4$  peak; that to the right is the side of the spinning sideband. [Used by permission of the editor of *Journal of Non-Crystalline Solids*, from Stebbins and McMillan (1993), Fig. 3, p. 120.]



# ***Effects of composition on viscosity***

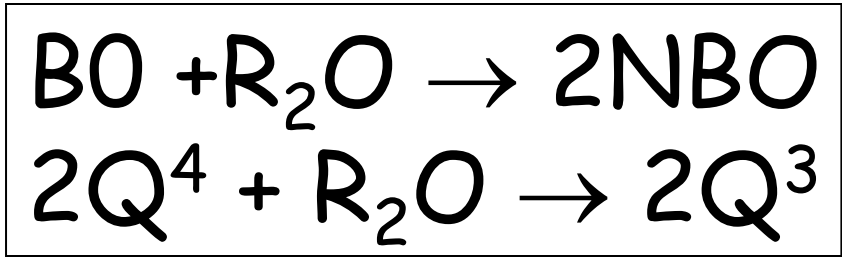
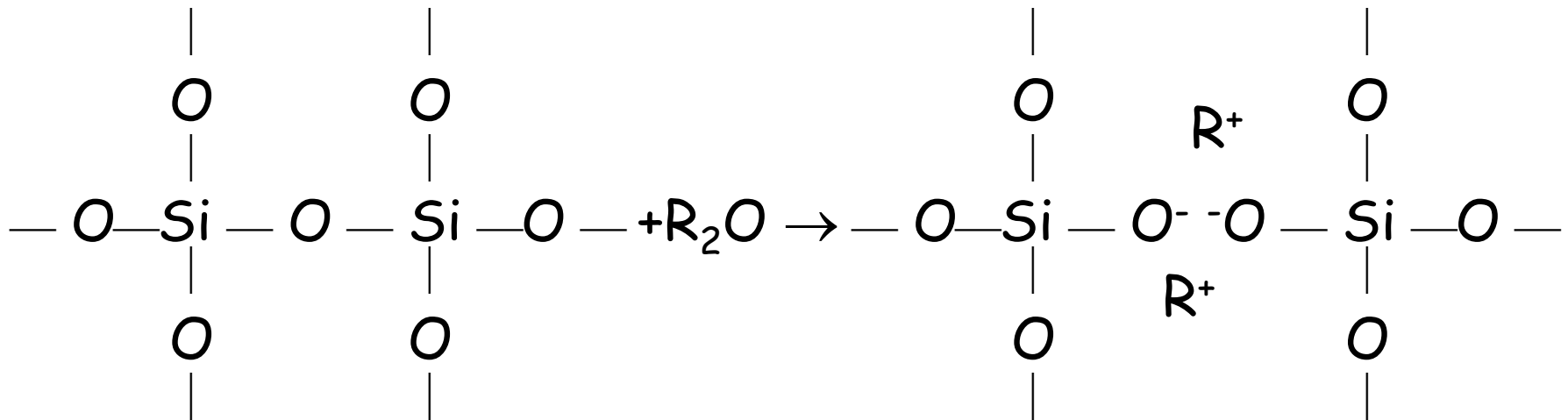
Viscosity is determined by

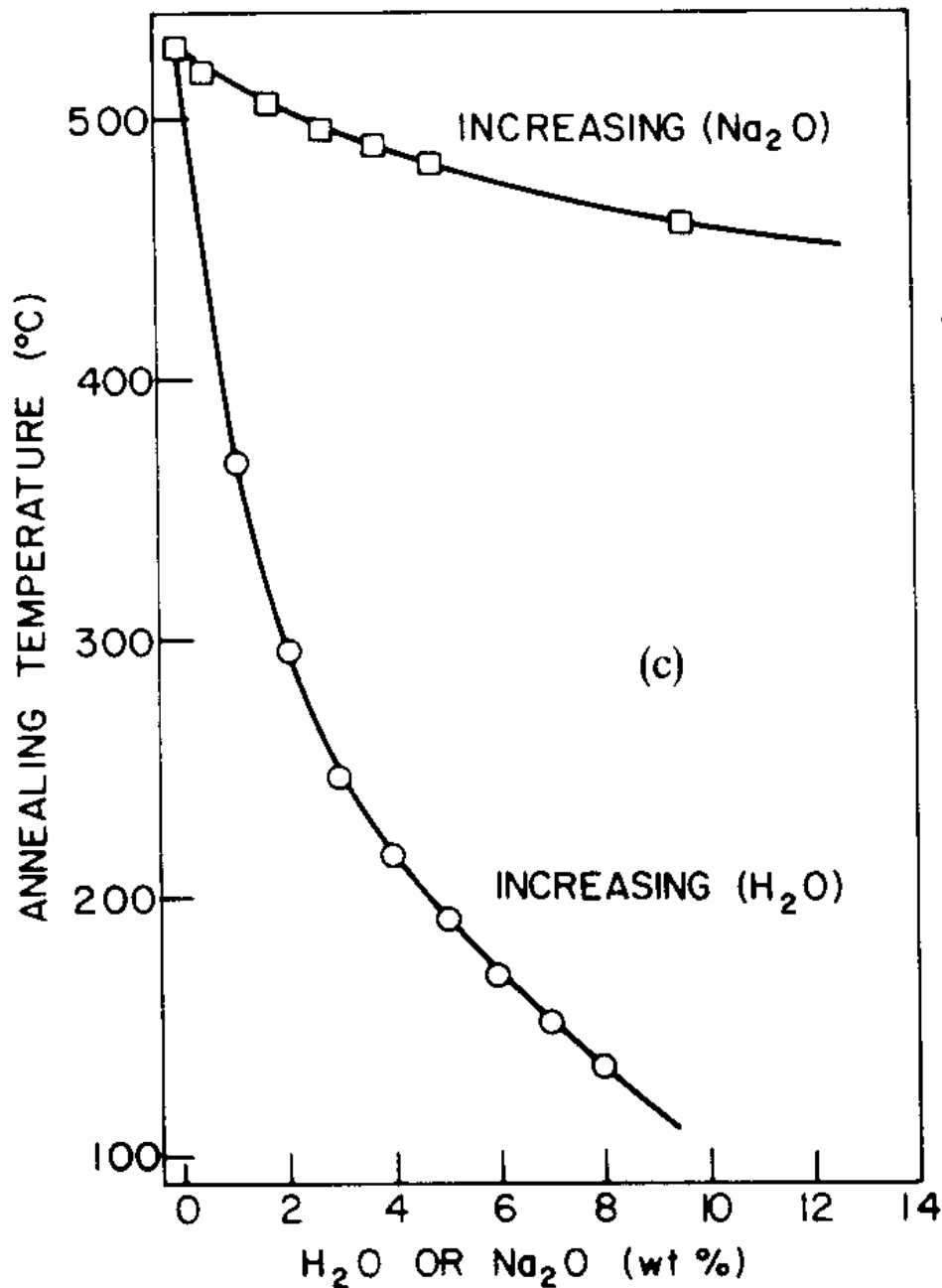
- **Molecular attractive forces**, especially associated with glass-forming oxides
  - Si-O vs. Ge-O
- **Number of non-bridging oxygens** in structure
  - Alkali oxide additions reduce viscosity
  - Water (-OH) and fluorine reduce viscosity
- **Coordination number of the cation**



**Figure 9-7.** Variation of log (viscosity) vs.  $10,000/T$  for simple glass-forming oxides. (After R. H. Doremus, *Glass Science*, Fig. 2, p. 105. Wiley & Sons, New York, 1973. Reproduced with permission of the publishers.)

# Reminder: Effect of Modifier Additions on Silicate Glass Networks



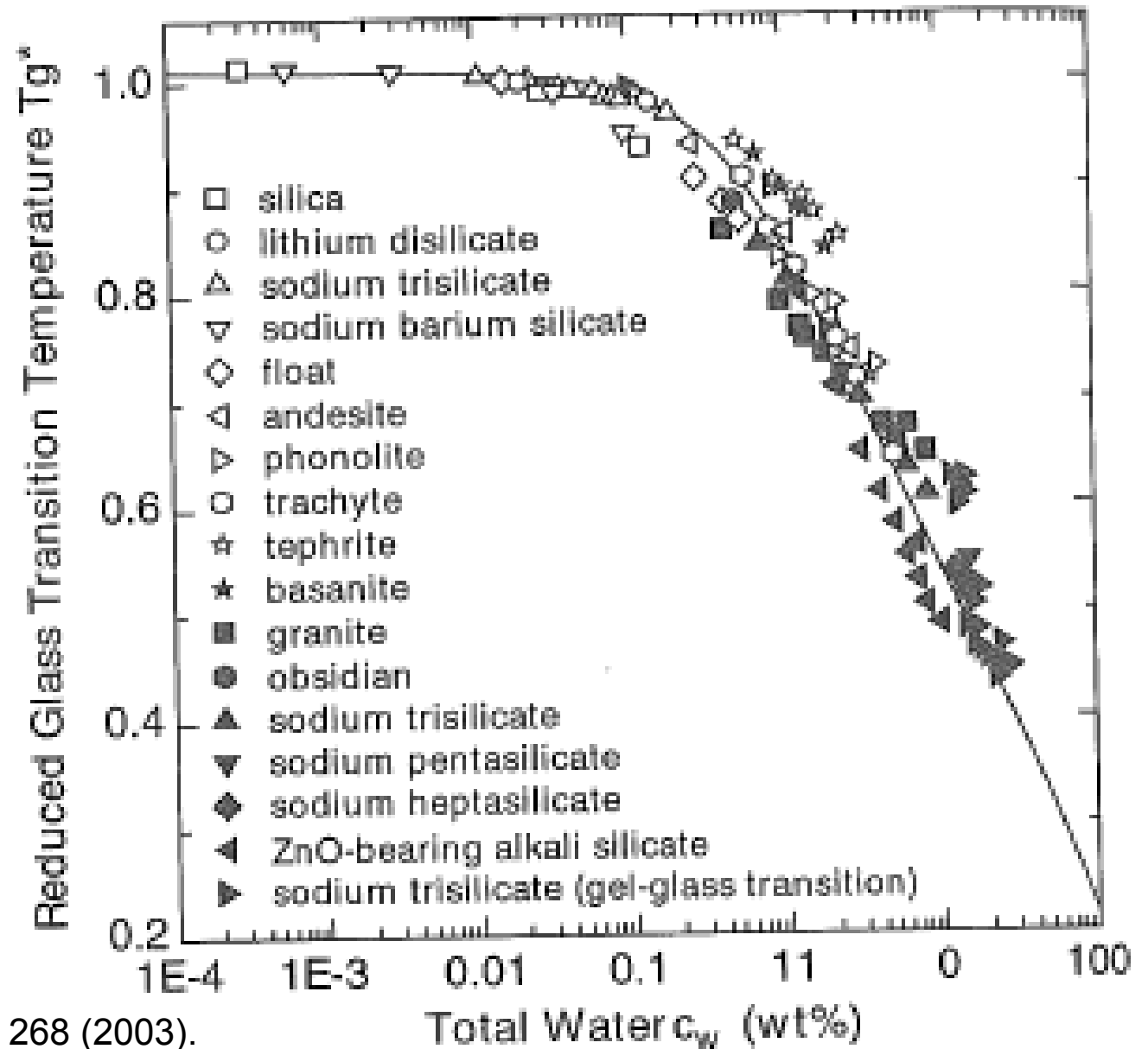


***Increasing the modifier content reduces viscosity***

- Water is a particularly effective flux

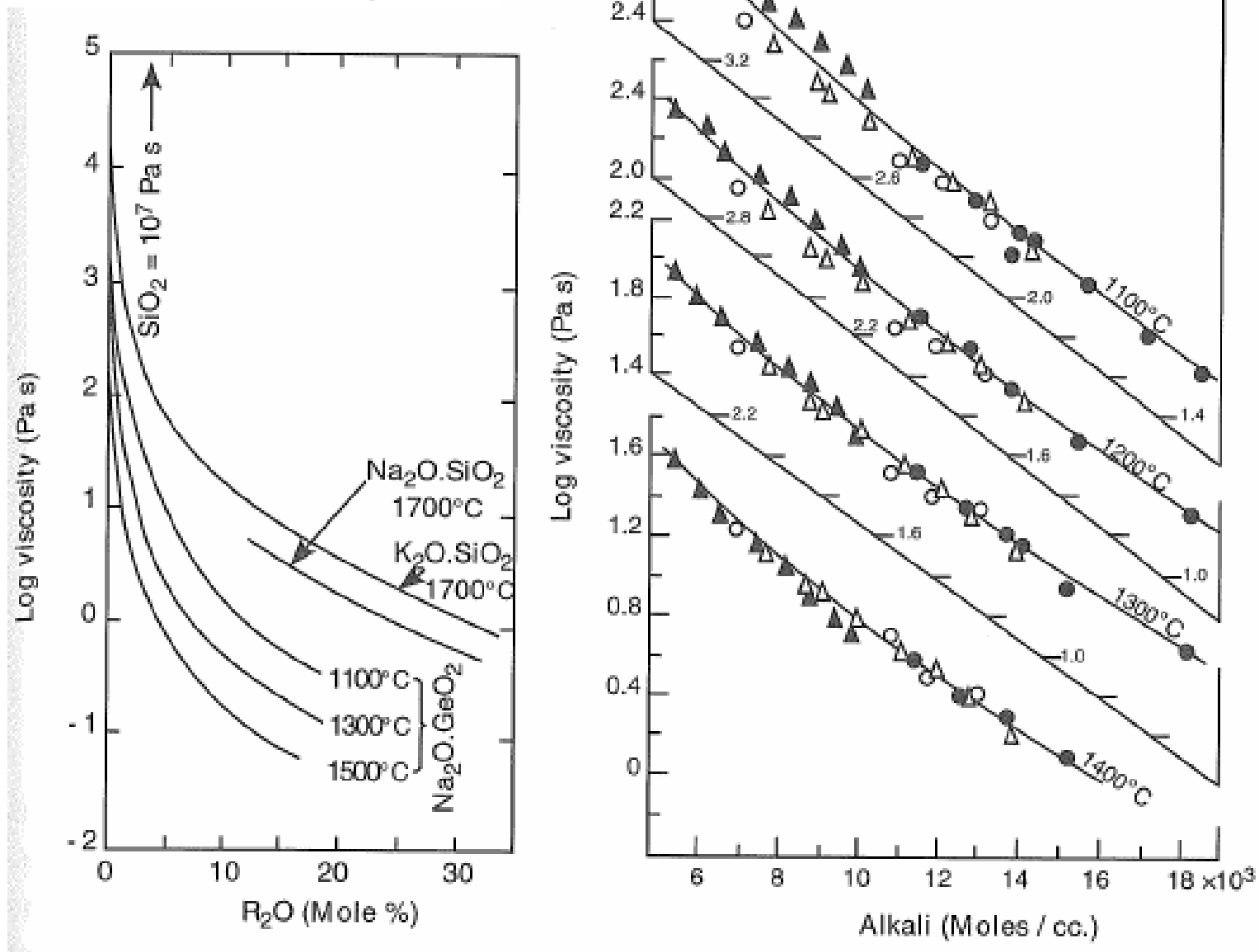
Na-K-Zn-Al-silicate  
(Wu, JNCS, 41 381, 1980)

The effect of water on  $T_g$  ( $\eta \approx 10^{12}$  Pa·s) of silicate glasses

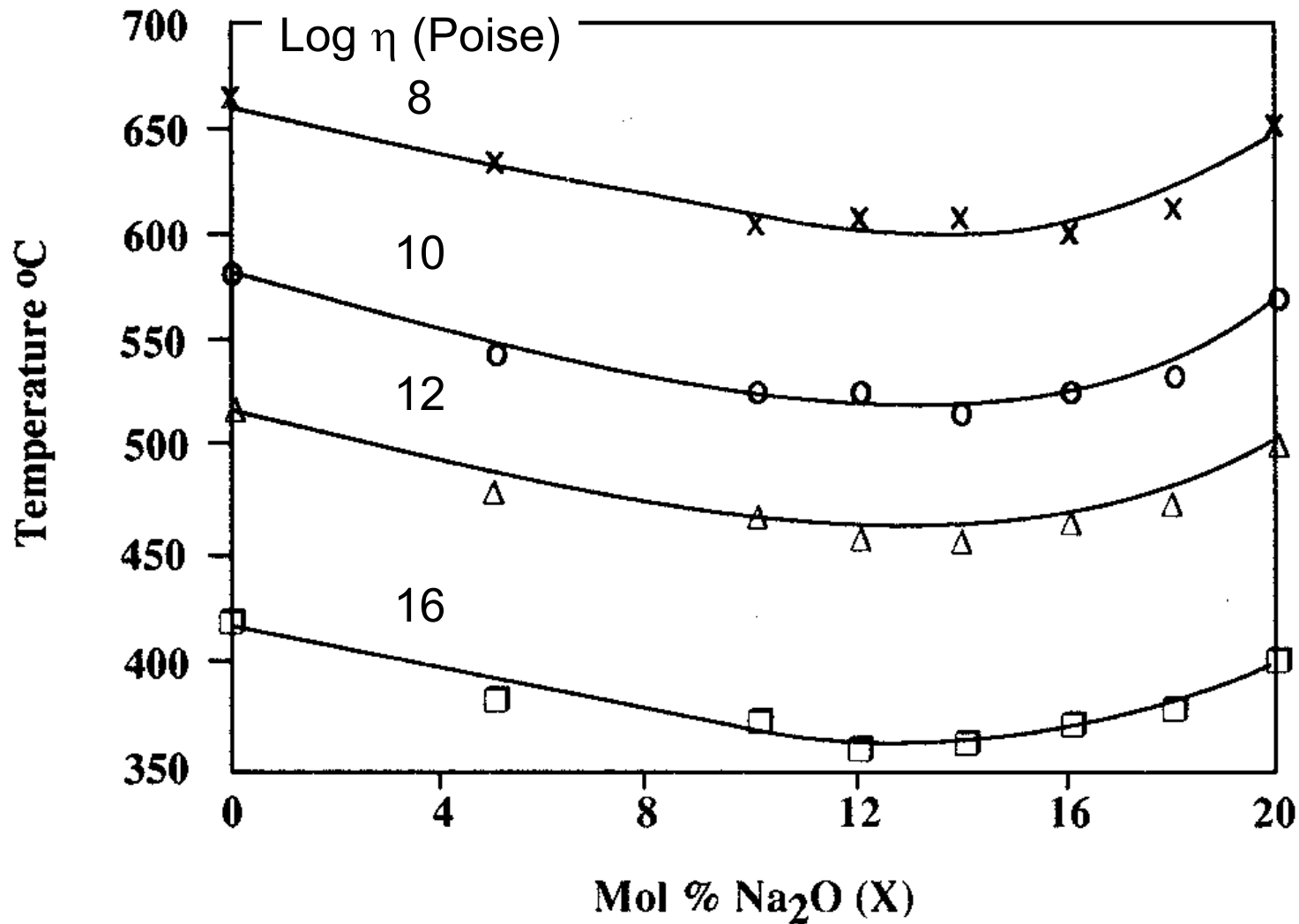


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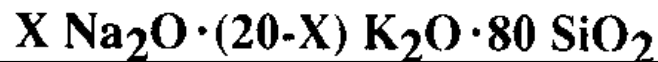
# The effects of modifier content on melt viscosity



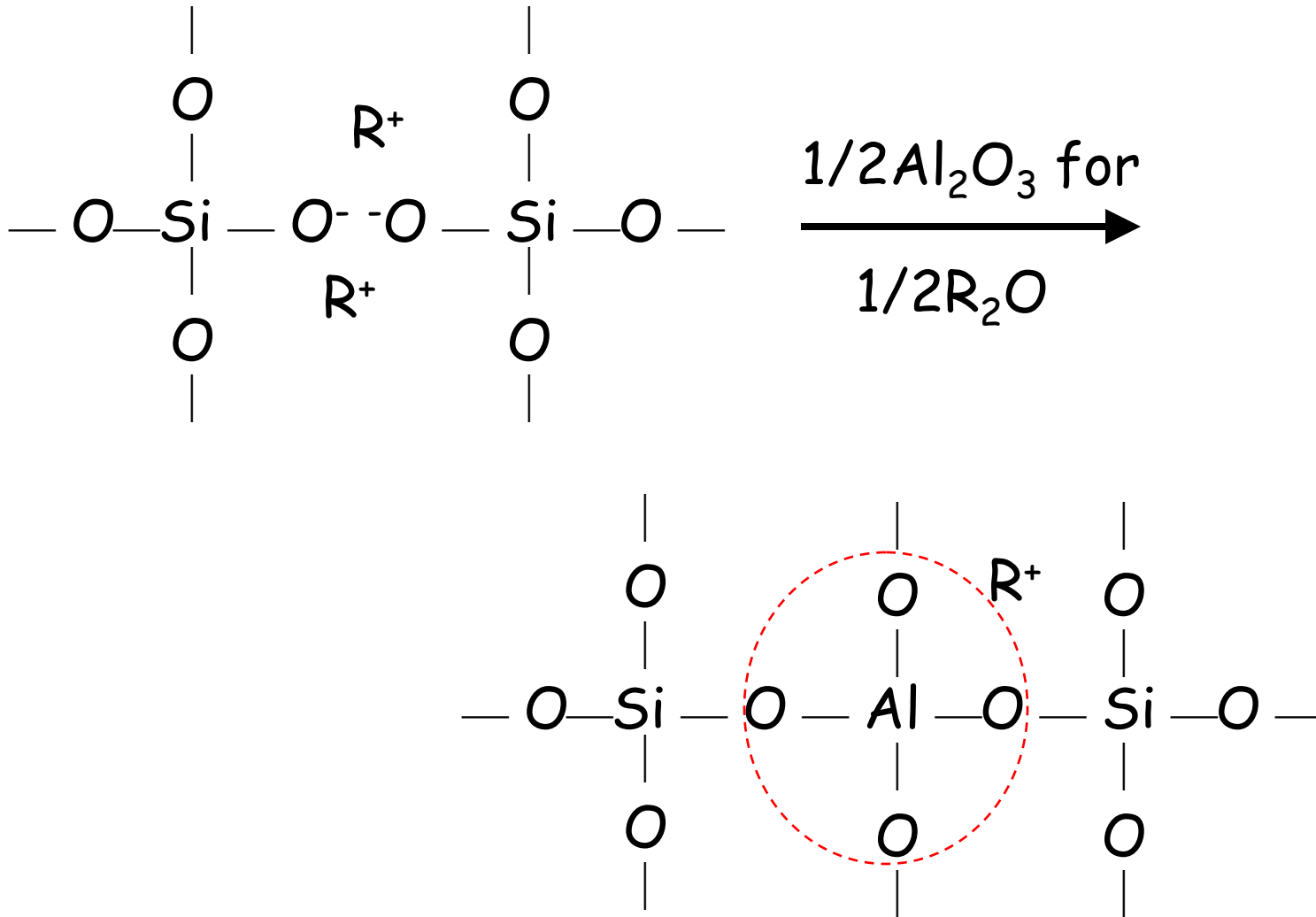
## Isokom temperatures for mixed alkali melts



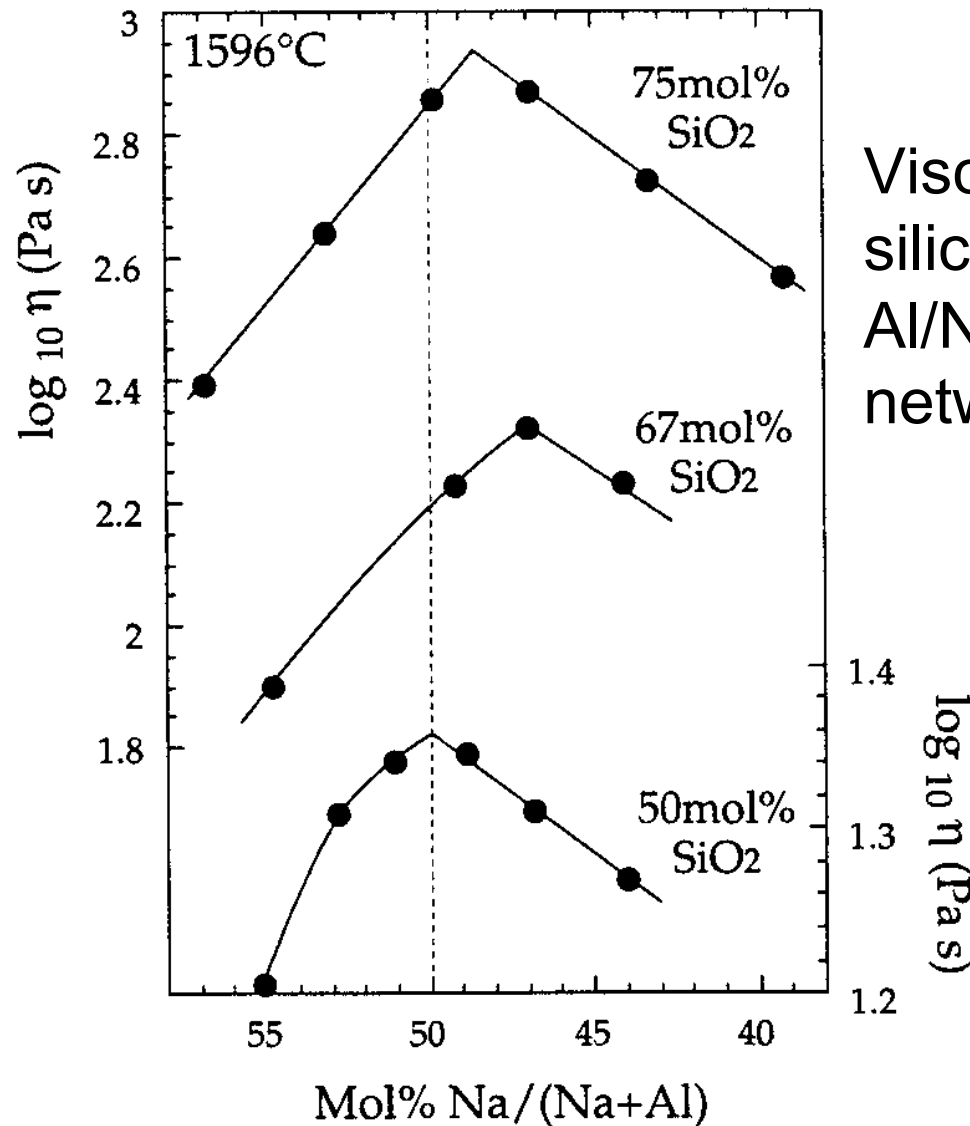
Nemilov (1969)



## Reminder: Effect of Alumina Additions on Silicate Glass Networks





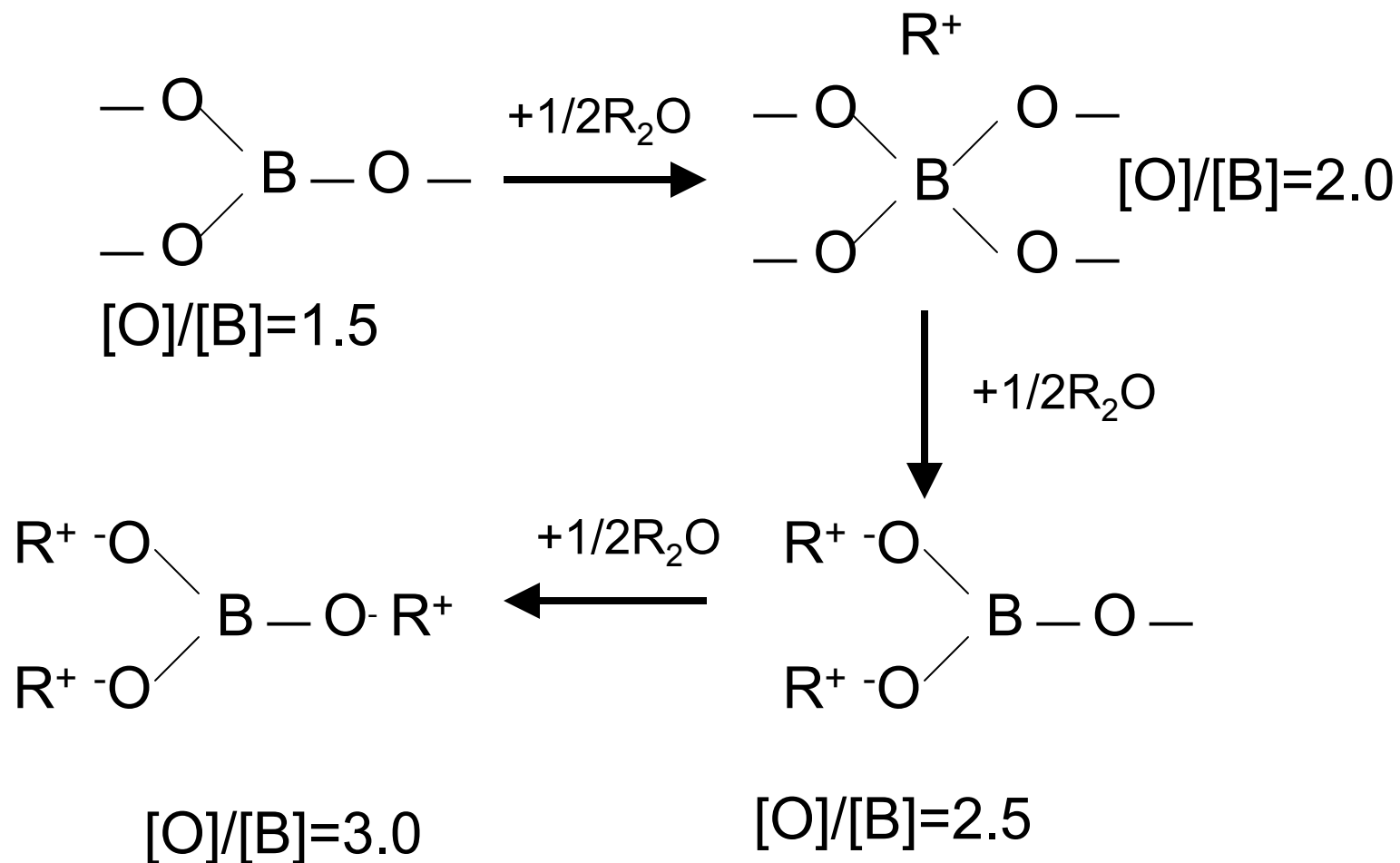


Viscosity of alkali aluminosilicate melts is greatest when Al/Na ≈ 1- fully cross-linked networks....

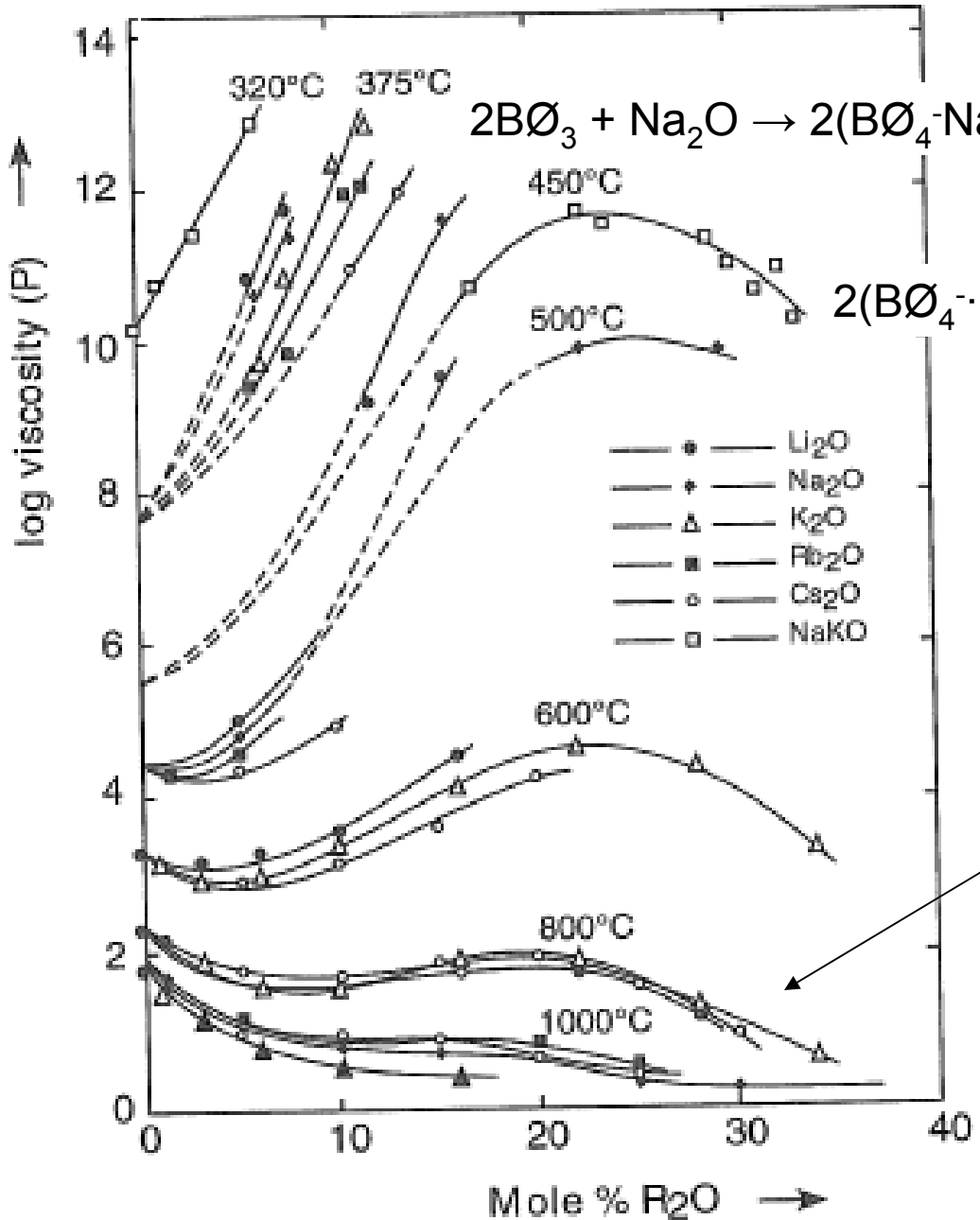
Toplis et al., Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta. **61**[13] 2605 (1995)

Fig. 2. Measured viscosities along the 50 mol%, 67 mol%, and 75 mol% SiO<sub>2</sub> isopleths at 1596°C. The accuracy of the compositional analyses and the precision of the viscosity measurements are both smaller than the size of the symbols.

## Reminder: Effect of Alkali Addition on Borate Glass Networks



# Alkali borate melt viscosity



Note the loss of the 'borate anomaly' effect at high temperatures (low viscosity)

## Temperature-Induced Structural Modifications Between Alkali Borate Glasses and Melts

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38.6Li<sub>2</sub>O·61.4B<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> glass and melt

Raman spectra indicate that the BØ<sub>2</sub>O<sup>-</sup> triangles replace BØ<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> tetrahedra in the melt

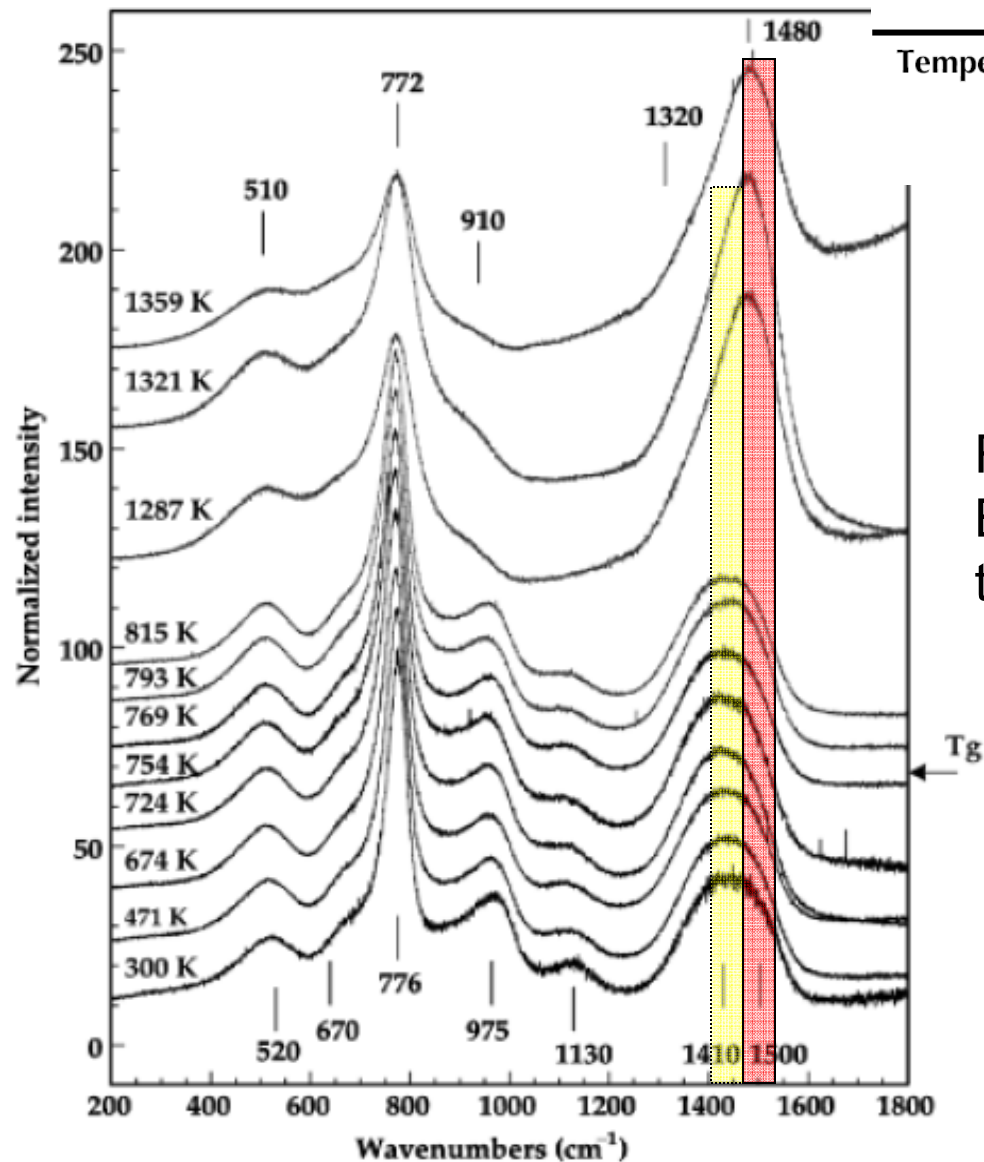
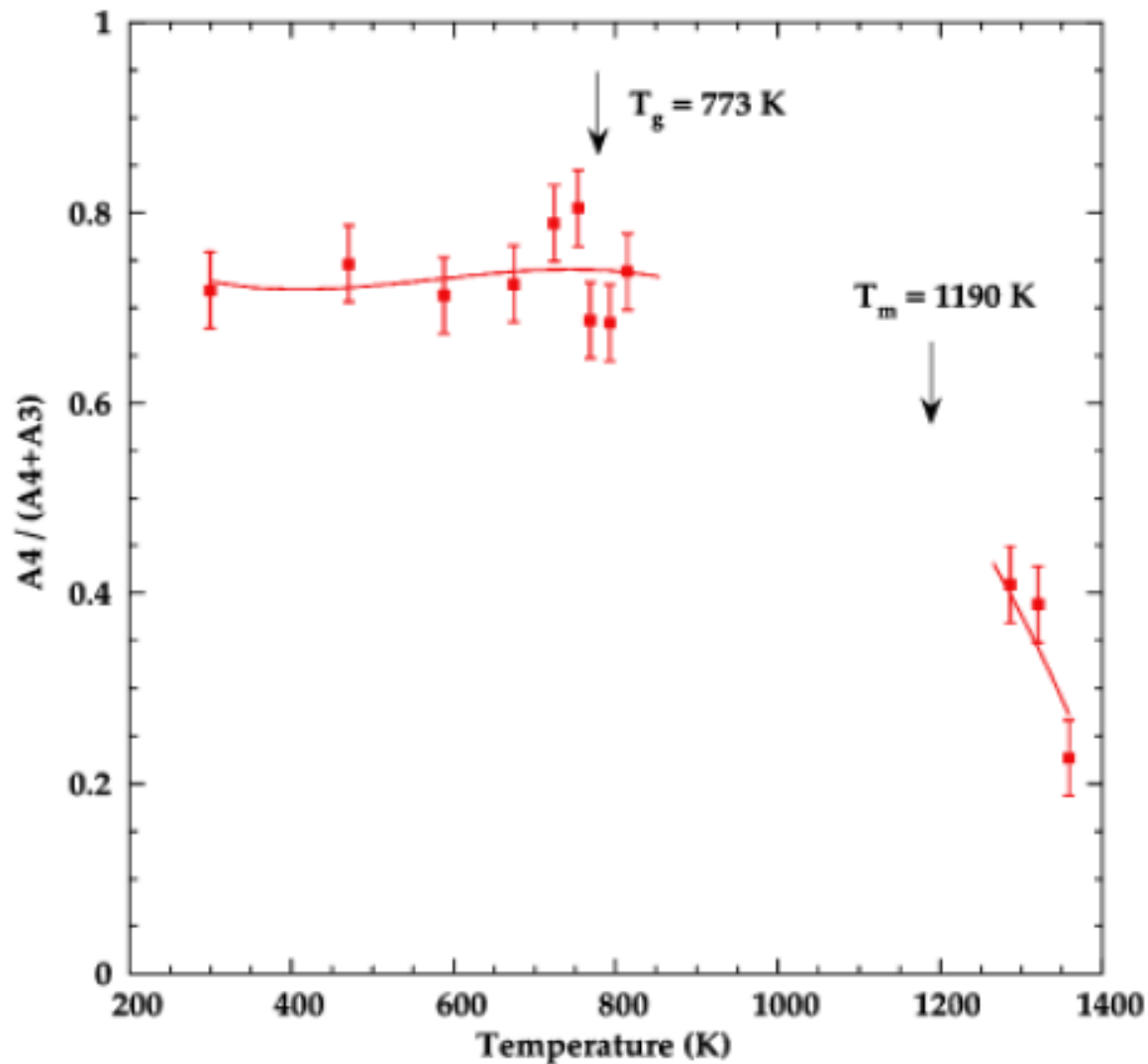


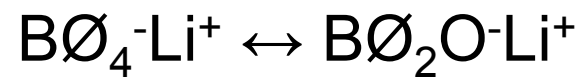
Fig. 3. Raman spectra for the 6LB2 glass from room temperature to 1359 K. The glass transition temperature ( $T_g$ ) is indicated.

Cormier et al., JACerS, 89 13 (2006)



**Fig. 4.** Ratio of the relative area for the two high-frequency bands of the Raman spectra for the LB2 sample. The temperatures of glass transition and melting are indicated. The line is a guide for the eye.

Raman spectra indicate that the  $\text{BO}_2\text{O}^-$  triangles replace  $\text{BO}_4^-$  tetrahedra in the melt



Note that B-O bonds are broken, and that such configurational changes will contribute to changes in heat capacity....

Cormier et al., JACerS, 89 13 (2006)

# ***Effects of composition on viscosity***

Component	Effect on Viscosity		Glass
	High Temp	Low Temp	
Alkali oxide	-	-	Softer
Alkaline earths	-	+	Shorter
PbO	-	-	Softer
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	+	+	Harder
B <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	-	+	Shorter
OH <sup>-</sup> /F <sup>-</sup>	-	-	Softer

Modifications to soda-lime silicate melt viscosity, after Beerkens, 1997.

# ***Viscosity dependence on temperature and composition***

- Vogel-Fulcher-Tamman (VFT) Equation

$$\log \eta = A + \frac{B}{T - T_0}$$

- Lakatos Method\*: empirical additivity factors

$$A = -2.4550 + \sum a_i \cdot p_i$$

$$B = 5736.4 + \sum b_i \cdot p_i$$

$$T_0 = 198.1 + \sum t_i \cdot p_i$$

For S-L-S melts, T (°C) and  $\eta$  (Pa·s),  $p_i$  (mole fraction oxide per mole SiO<sub>2</sub>)

\*T. Lakatos, et al., *Glass Technology*, 13 88 (1972)

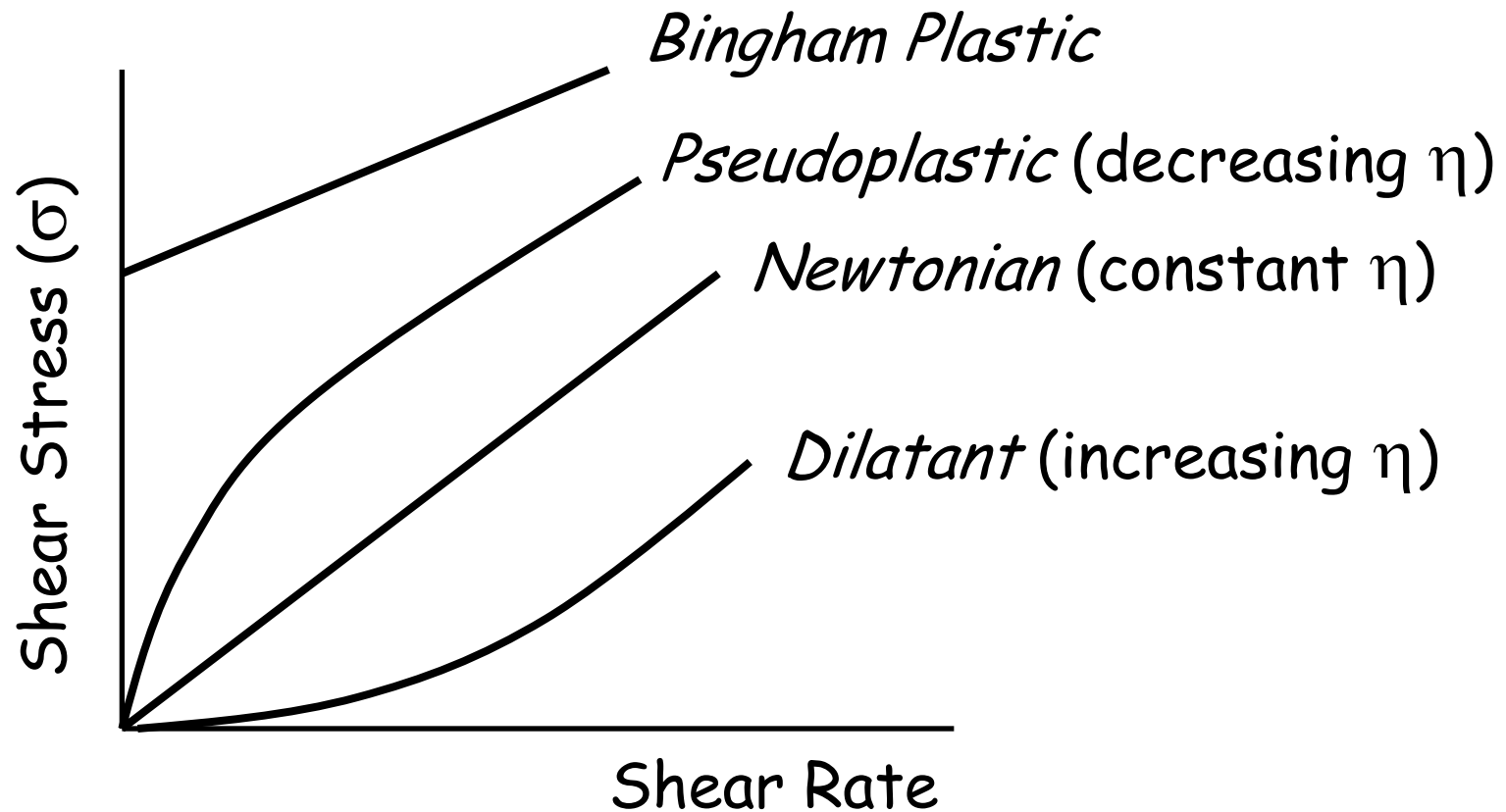
## Lakatos additivity parameters (after Beerkens, 1997)

	$a_i$	$b_i$	$t_i$
Na <sub>2</sub> O	+1.4788	-6039.7	-25.07
K <sub>2</sub> O	-0.8350	-1439.6	-321.0
MgO	-5.4936	+6285.3	-384.0
CaO	-1.6030	-3919.3	+544.3
B <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	-15.880	+7272.1	+521.4
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	+1.5183	+2253.4	+294.4
PbO	+1.3058	-5880.0	-275.5

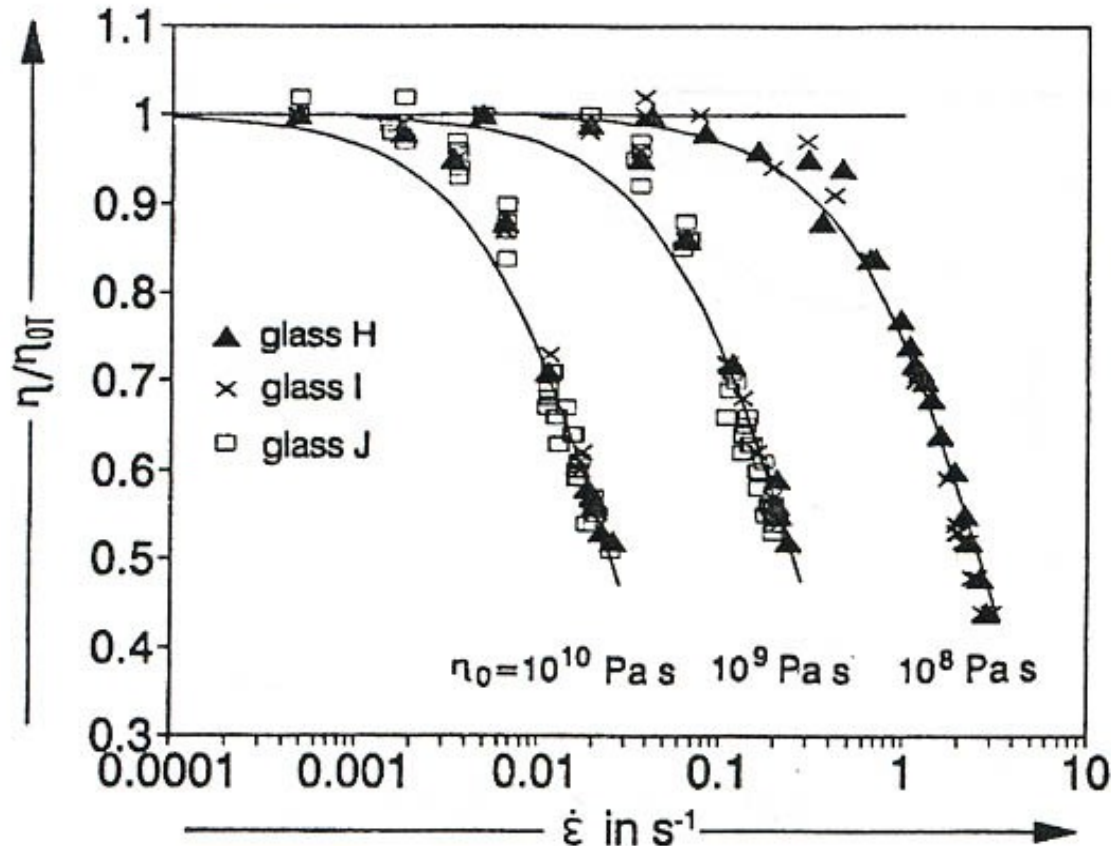
Valid for the log(viscosity) range 1-12 Pa·s



## Not all liquids exhibit Newtonian viscosity behavior



# Non-Newtonian Viscosity



**Shear thinning-**  
decreasing *effective*  
viscosity with increasing  
deformation rates

- fiber drawing
- press-and-blow

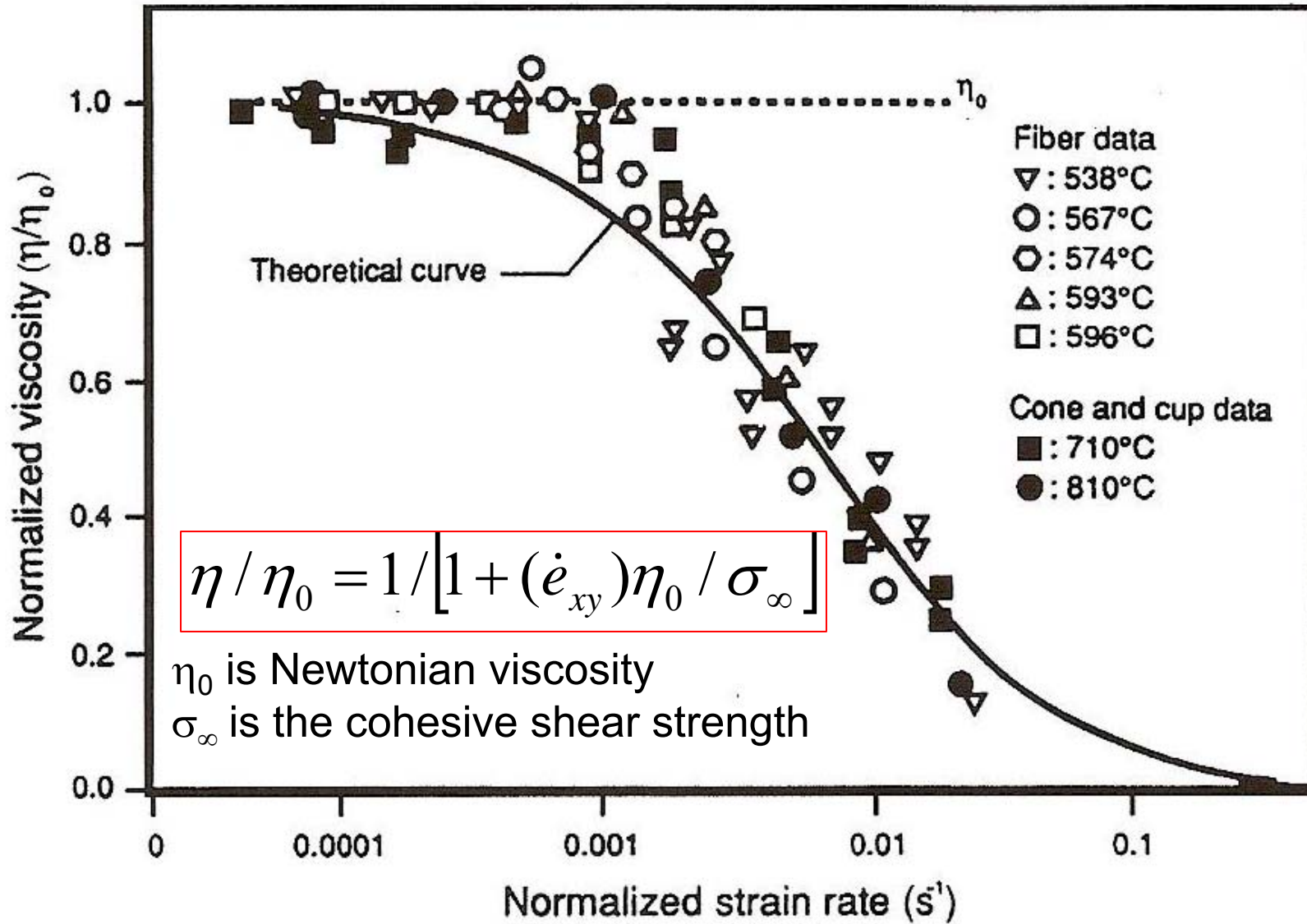
Greater problem at  
higher temperatures

Figure 4. Normalized non-Newtonian viscosity as a function of normalized deformation rate for glass melts H, I and J at three Newtonian viscosities.

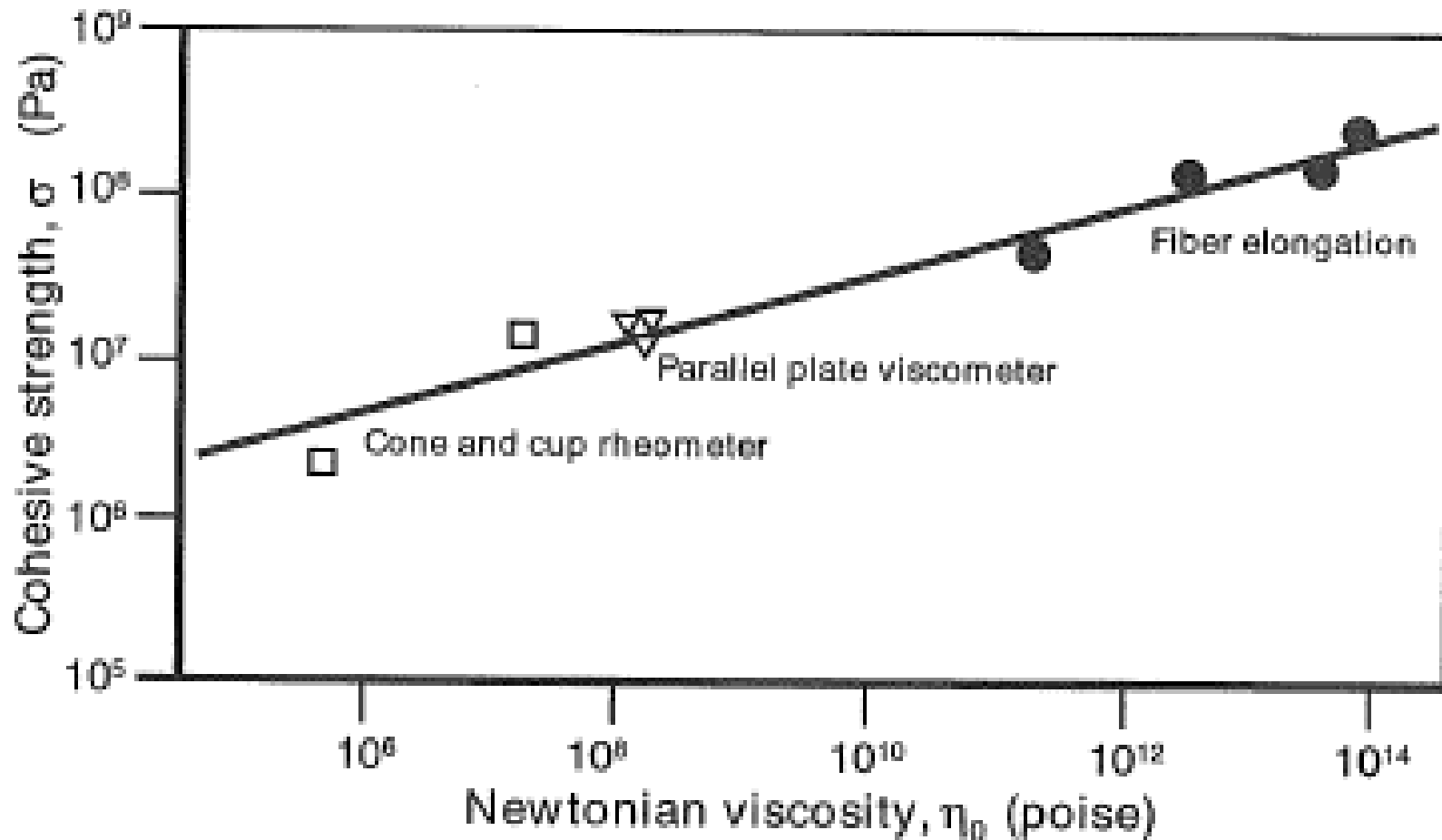
Yue & Brückner  
*Glastech. Ber* (1996)

# Non-Newtonian Viscosity

Simmons and Simmons, *Cer Bull* 68[11] 1949 (1989)



## Cohesive strength increases with viscosity



- Viscosity becomes nonlinear at high shearing rates
- Shear stress builds up if stress relaxation rate is sufficiently low
- If shear stress  $> \sigma_\infty$ , then 'liquid fracture' can occur

# ***Consequences of Non-Newtonian Viscosity***

- High-speed glass processing
  - Fiber attenuation
  - Container processing
- Source for glass inhomogeneities
  - Induced phase separation or crystallization in high shear regions

# Deformation, stress relaxation, and crystallization of lithium silicate glass fibers below the glass transition temperature

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- Fibers heated below  $T_x$
- Stress in 'bent' regions reduces 'effective' viscosity
- Examine differences in crystallization behavior

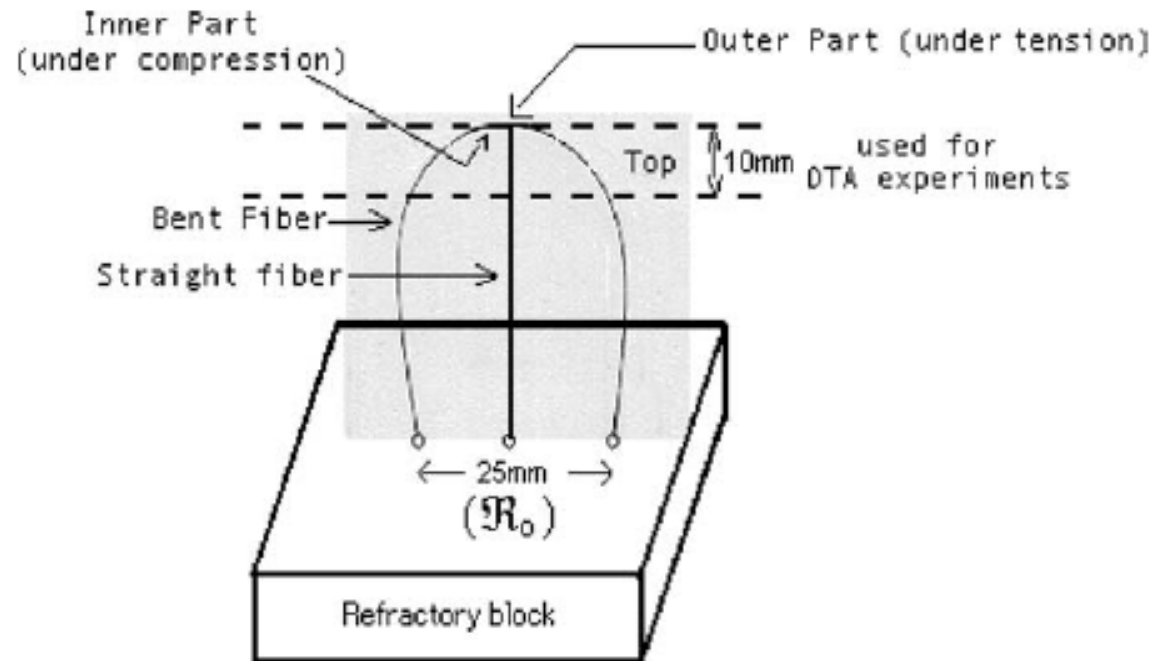
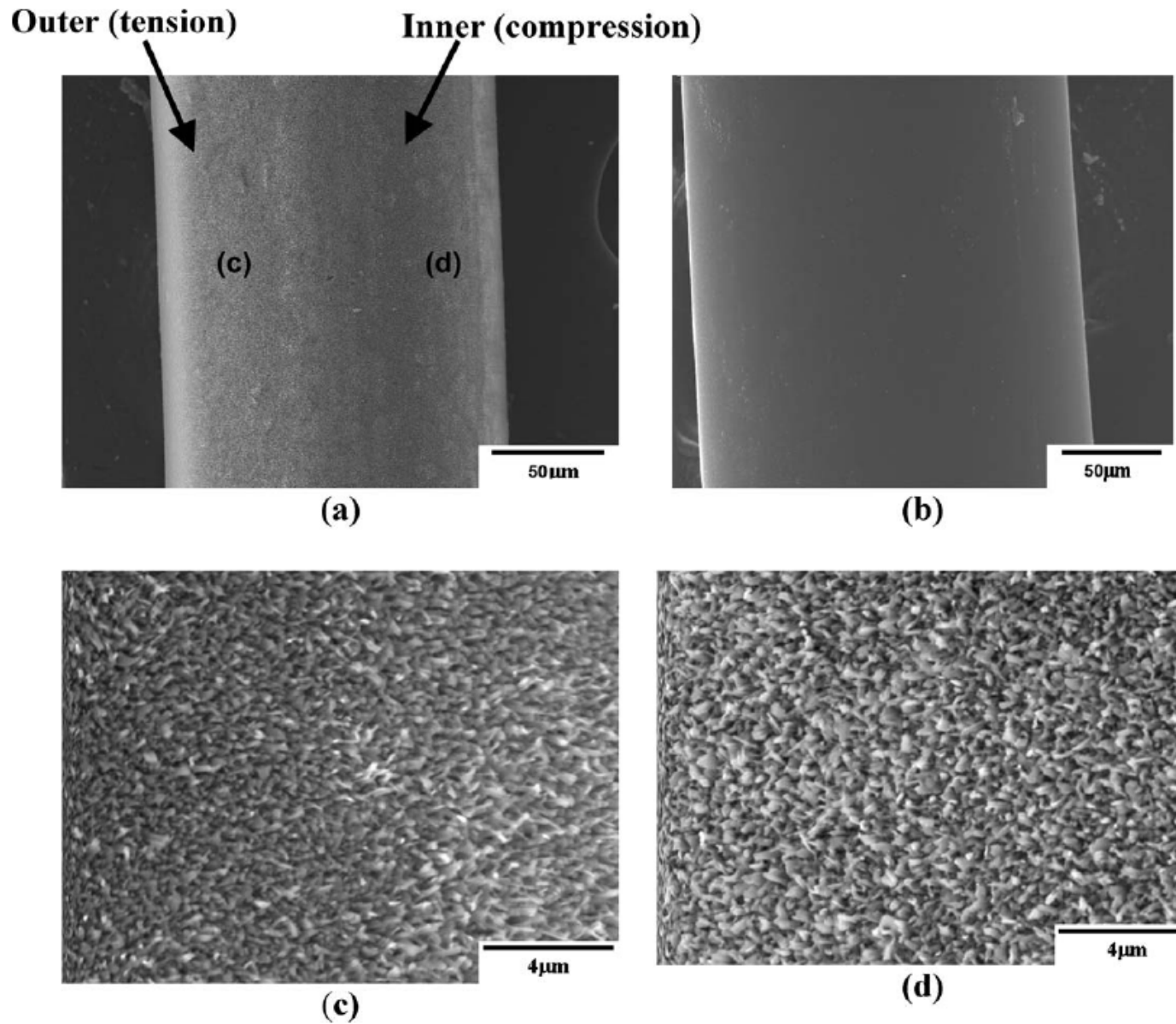


Figure 1 Schematic diagram of the glass fibers in a refractory block for heat treatment. Length of the glass fiber: 120 mm. Diameter of the glass fiber: 150  $\mu\text{m}$ .



*Figure 4* Scanning electron microscope pictures of the (a) stressed and (b) un-stressed (straight) LS<sub>1.6</sub> glass fibers after heating at 410°C for 12 h. (c) and (d) are the enlarged view of the outer and inner part of stressed fiber at locations shown in (a). No crystallization is observed on the heat treated straight fiber (b).

# Another example

- Melts prepared in micro-gravity have greater glass-forming tendencies than melts on earth at comparable quench rates
  - Hypothesis\*: gravity-driven fluid-flow increases overall strain rate within melt
    - Reduced 'local' viscosity through shear thinning
    - Increased 'local' crystallization rates

\*CS Ray et al, Trans. Indian Inst. Met. 60[2] 143 (2007)



# An Analysis of the Differences in the Glass Forming Tendency of Melts on Earth and in a Low - Gravity Environment

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Calculated for  $LS_2$  melts at  $1400^\circ C$  and a  $5^\circ C$  temperature gradient

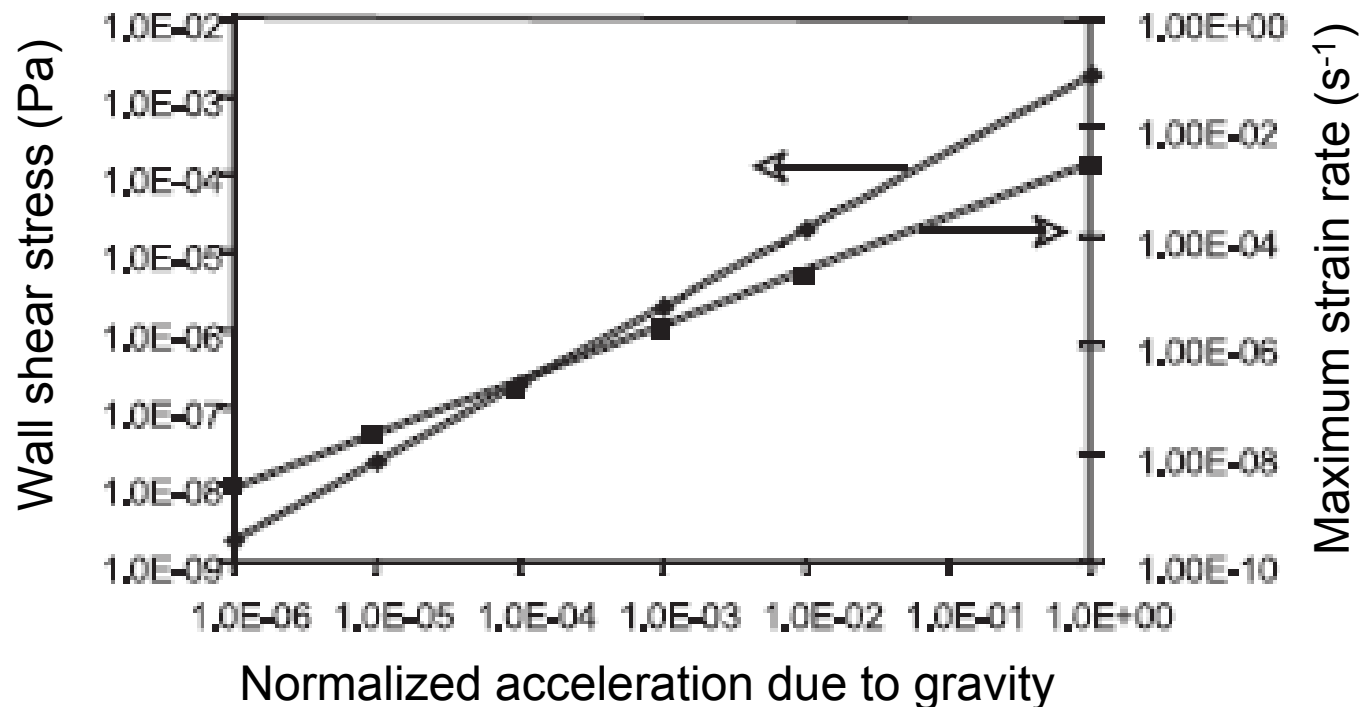
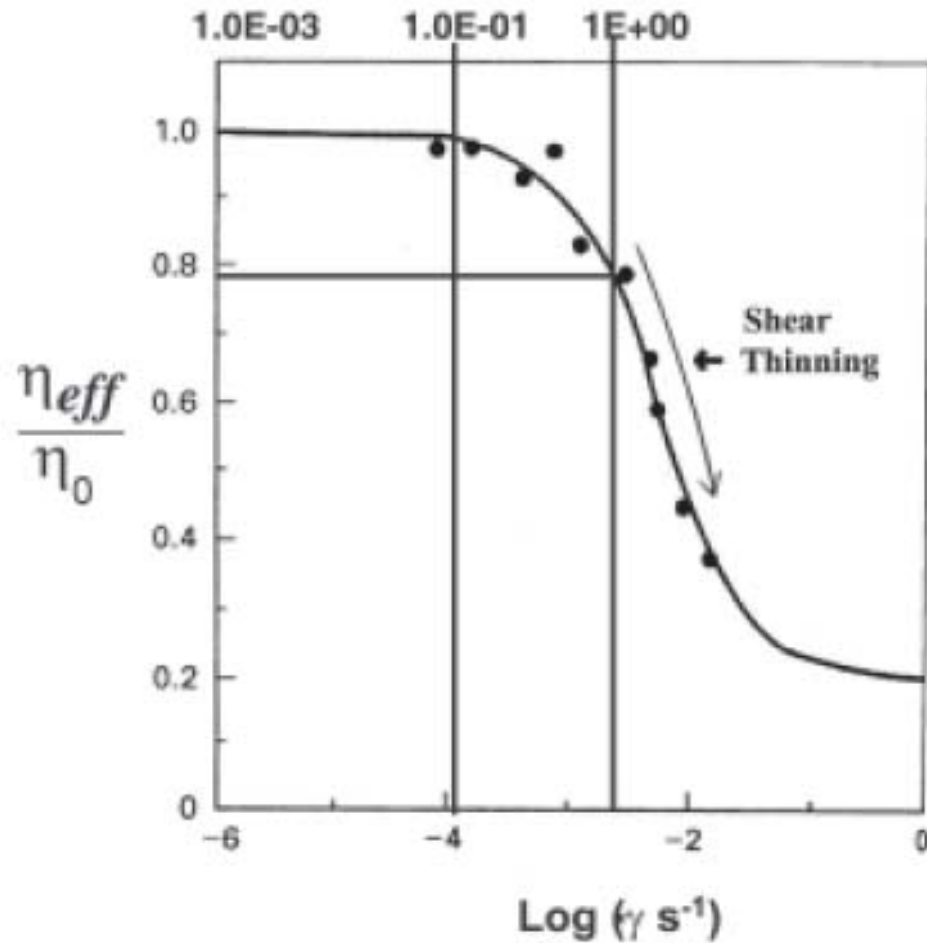


Fig. 6 : Maximum system wall shear stress and maximum system strain as a function of  $g$  level.

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Normalized acceleration due to gravity

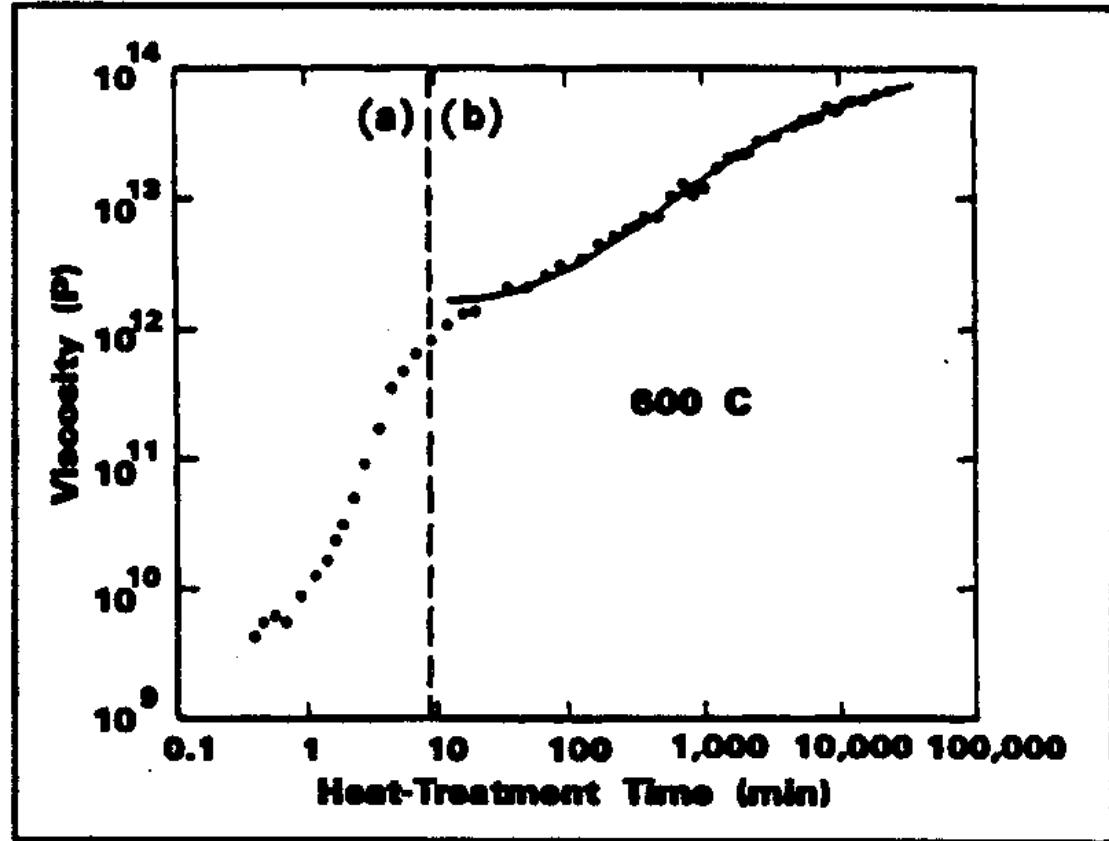


Shear-thinning behavior is reduced when gravitational effects are reduced.

Fig. 7 : Superimposition of calculated strain rate from present study on experimental measurements<sup>15</sup> of viscosity as a function of strain rate.

From J. H. Simmons, in *Experimental Techniques of Glass Science*, (1993), p. 383-432.

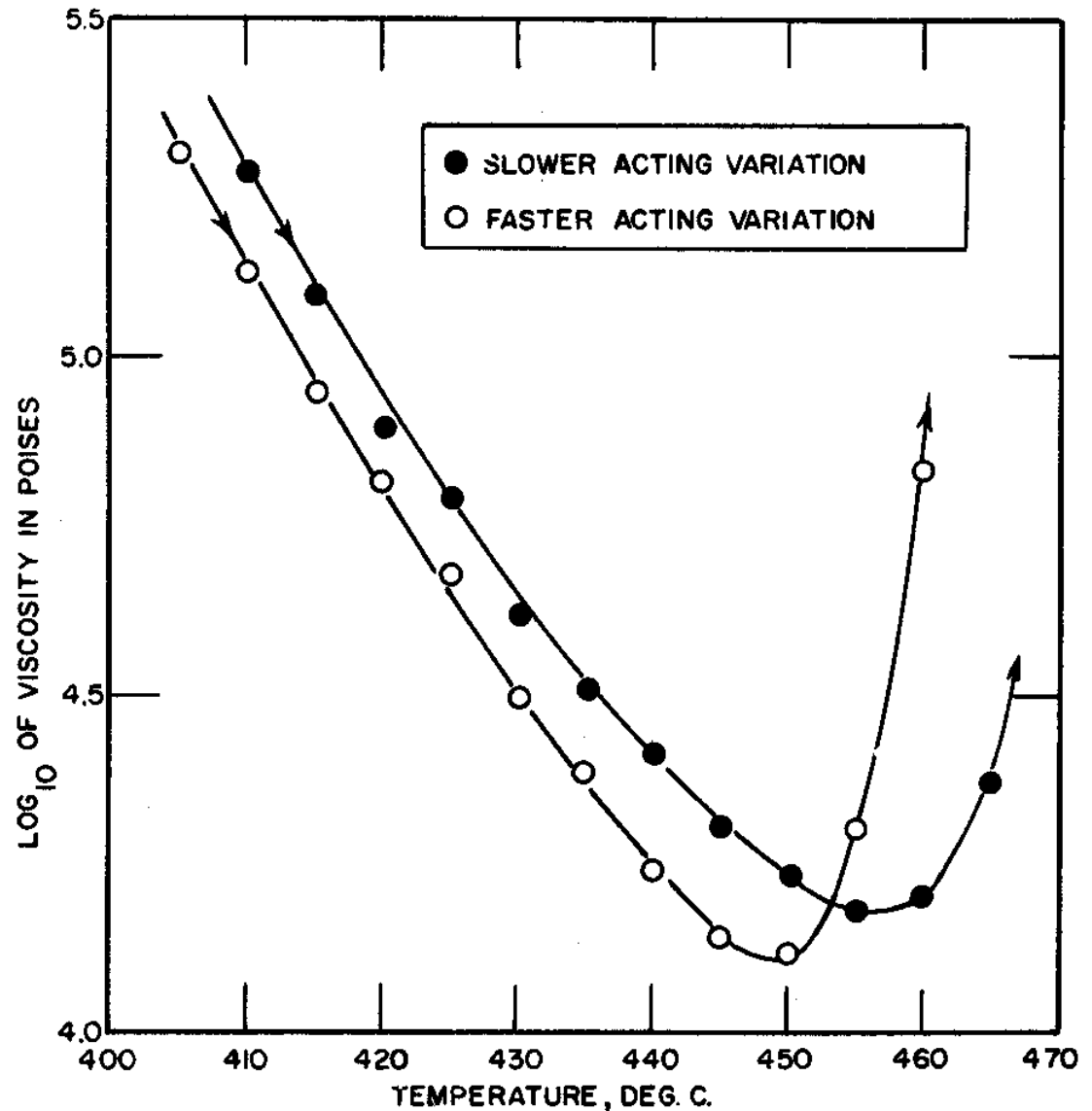
Phase separation affects viscosity



**Figure 11 - Viscosity change in Pyrex due to phase separation. Period (a) is dominated by spinodal decomposition. Period (b) is dominated by coarsening[92].**

Crystallization affects  
viscosity

- Example: crystallizable  
sealing glass



From H. E. Hagy, in *Introduction to Glass Science*, (1972), p. 343-371

Figure 12. Parallel plate viscometer data for frit glasses.

# *Viscosity Summary*

- Viscosity is the most important melt property
  - Critical for processing, from melting through annealing
- Compositional dependence can be understood in terms of melt/glass structure
  - Stronger networks = greater viscosity
    - Fraction of NBO's on silicate tetrahedra
    - Aluminosilicate networks
    - Borate 'anomaly'- tetrahedral sites
  - Viscosity is sensitive to changes in melt structure
- Temperature dependence is non-Arrhenian
  - VFT equation is a useful empirical description
  - Fragile/strong classification can be related to configurational changes
- Shear-thinning has processing consequences

# Glass formation is 'crystallization avoidance'

$$\dot{T}_c \approx \underbrace{\frac{AT_m^2}{\eta(\text{at } 0.77T_m)}}_{\text{Kinetic barrier}} \cdot \underbrace{\exp(-0.212B)}_{\text{Nucleation barrier}} \cdot \underbrace{\left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{0.3\Delta H}{RT_m}\right)\right]^{3/4}}_{\text{Free energy driving force}}$$

Reduce critical cooling rate to improve glass formation

- Lower  $T_m$
- Increase  $\eta$  at  $T_m$

If  $T_g$  ( $\eta=10^{13}$  P) is near  $T_m$ , then  $\eta(T_m)$  will be high

Glass formation expected when  $T_g/T_m > 2/3$

	$T_m$ (°C)	$\eta(T_m)$
BeF <sub>2</sub>	540	>10 <sup>6</sup> P
B <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	460	10 <sup>5</sup> P
GeO <sub>2</sub>	1150	10 <sup>7</sup> P
SiO <sub>2</sub>	1710	10 <sup>7</sup> P
LiCl	613	0.02 P
Zn	420	0.03
Fe	1535	0.07

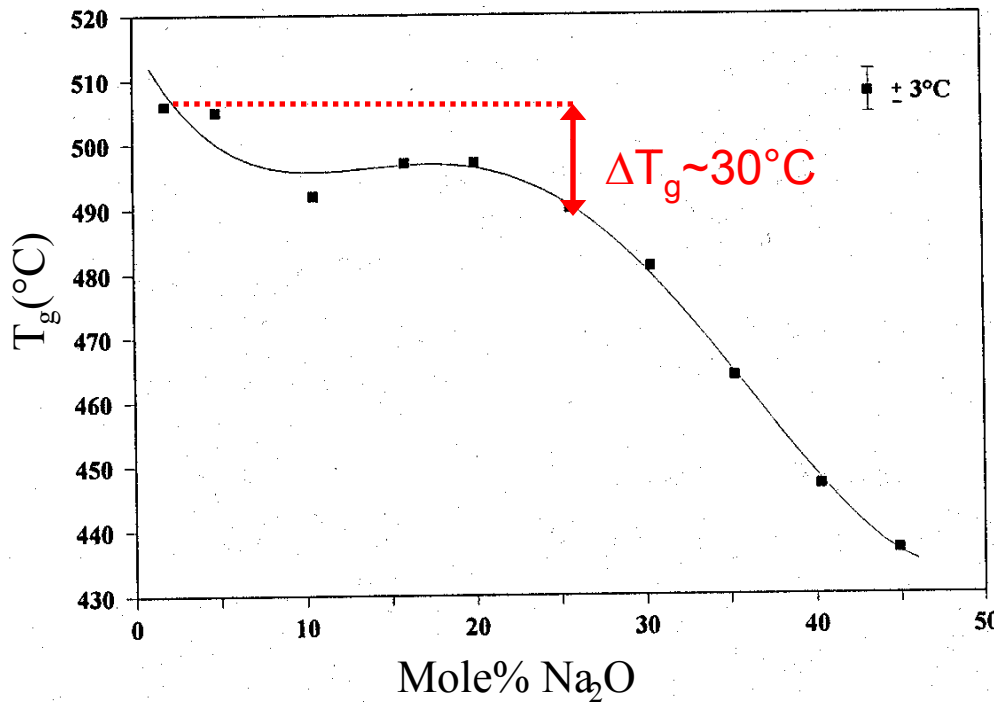
Good glass formers

Poor glass formers

# Eutectic compositions are good glass-formers

From Dingwell in *Rev. Mineral.*  
32 (1995)

W. Vogel, *Chemistry of Glass*, 1985



$T_g/T_{liq}$  is a maximum ( $\sim 0.7$ ) at the eutectic

