

**Homework (back by February 11th, 3 pm EST, to [ufother@clemson.edu](mailto:ufother@clemson.edu) as well as to local instructor)**

- 1. Consider the series of a Kelvin-Voigt model and a spring as 1st realistic representation of bulk viscoelasticity. Derive the following formula which holds for constant strain:**

$$\sigma(t) = \frac{3 \cdot K_1 \cdot K_2}{K_1 + K_2} \cdot \varepsilon_0 + \frac{3 \cdot K_2 \cdot K_2}{K_1 + K_2} \cdot \varepsilon_0 \cdot e^{-t \cdot 3 \cdot (K_1 + K_2) / \eta_v}$$

**(Start with the following consideration: both for the Kelvin-Voigt-model and the single spring, the stress is  $\sigma(t)$ . The strains are  $\varepsilon_1(t)$  and  $\varepsilon_2(t)$  which are also time-dependent. However,  $\varepsilon_1(t) + \varepsilon_2(t) = \varepsilon_0$  at all times. If one replaces  $\varepsilon_1(t) + \varepsilon_2(t)$  with expressions depending on  $\sigma(t)$ , one will arrive at a differential equation for  $\sigma(t)$ . Solving this equation will lead to the above formula.)**

- 2. Consider the glass LaSK3. At the temperature where the shear viscosity is  $10^{12}$  dPa·s ( $650^\circ\text{C}$ ) the flexure pendulum seems to give good results, too. Look at the value corresponding logarithmic decrement (my estimate:  $20 \cdot 10^{-4}$ ) and the formula for the latter. Make a suggestion for the technical set-up (sample length, sample cross section, length and cross section of metal strip, metal type – in fact, only Young's modulus of the metal enters the formula, mass of the oscillating load) so that the logarithmic decrement of LaSK3 will have the value “ $20 \cdot 10^{-4}$ ” at  $650^\circ\text{C}$ .**