

Assessment of PEF and PET

stretch ability above Tg

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Bottles market

- Leader in this field until the 80's
- → Poly(ethylene terephtalate)
- Bottles forming= reaching of high deformation above Tg



- Good mechanical, thermal and barrier properties
- Transparency



 $\lambda_2 = 3-4$



Around 20/30% of crystal

PET uniaxial stretching

- From a certain deformation development of a strain hardeing
- Apparition of a strain hardening = microstructural changes



Natural Draw Ratio (NDR) ≈ 2-3

 $\lambda = \exp(\varepsilon)$

E.Gorlier and al., Plastic Rubber and Composites. doi:10.1179/146580101101541435

PEF uniaxial stretching



Poly(ethylene furandicarboxylate)

- PEF stretching at 85°C, ἐ=7,5*10⁻⁴ s⁻¹
- → Almost in the same conditions as PET
- Apparition of a low strain hardening for ε ≥ 450% (engineering curves)
- Development of a microstructural organization



z = 0%

ε = 50%

c = 200%

E = 300%

c = 350%

s = 5009

r = 600

ε = 700f

\$ = 7009

800

SAXS

G. Stoclet and al., Polymer. doi:10.1016/j.polymer.2017.11.071.

Evolution of the stiffness according to the temperature (25-210°C), 1°C/min, 1Hz











PEF and PET forming range

Comparison of PET and PEF rubbery plateau



 \rightarrow PEF stretching range has to be different from the PET one



How to find PEF suitable stretching range to

reach high deformations ?







Time/temperature principle

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- Microstructural development
- → Apparition of an organized microstructure







Time/temperature principle





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I) Time/temperature dependence

- Existence of a dependence in time and temperature
- Possibility to describe it on the same graphe ?
- → Master curve at a reference temperature
- Description with an unique variable: **Equivalent strain rate at a reference temperature**



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I) PEF frequency sweep

- Frequency sollicitation (0,1 Hz \leq f \leq 100 Hz) in the forming range
- 90°C \leq T \leq 140°C, isothermal step of 5 °C
- Sweep of the scans on the reference temperature choosen close to the T α ($f \rightarrow f * a_{\tau}$)
- a_{T} : shift factor related to an unique temperature



I) PEF master curve with $T_{ref} = 100^{\circ}C$

- Description of the mechanical behaviour on a large frequency range
- Description of the material state depending on the frequency and the temperature



→ PEF mechanical behaviour can be modelized by a master curve

I) Master curves

Realization of two master curves at two different reference temperatures choosen

close to the $T\alpha$ 1000 Master Curve PEF Master Curve PET 100 E' (MPa) PEF PEF (T_{ref} = 100°C) PET **PET (T**_{ref} = 90°C) 10 $T\alpha$ (1Hz) = 100 °C $T\alpha$ (1Hz) = 87°C 1 10⁻³ 10⁻² 10⁻¹ 10^{0} 10^{1} 10^{2} $10^3 \quad 10^4 \quad 10^5 \quad 10^6$ 10⁻⁴ 10^{7} Frequency*aT (Hz)

→ PEF and PET master curves are close

I) Forming range

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→ Superposition of PEF and PET forming ranges



PEF and PET uniaxial stretching







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II) Choice of the stretching conditions

- Hypothesis: $f * a_T \approx \epsilon * a_T (\epsilon : strain rate s^{-1}) = equivalent strain rate$
- Calculation of έ

→ Example: $\dot{\epsilon} * a_T = 0,01 \text{ s}^{-1} \rightarrow \dot{\epsilon} = \frac{0,01}{a_T} s^{-1} (a_T : shift factor dependent on the temperature)$

• Exploration of the master curve: $\mathbf{\acute{e}} * \mathbf{a}_{T} = \mathbf{0,01}$ and $\mathbf{0,1} \text{ s}^{-1}$



II) Etifi presentation

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- Samples withdrawn from extruded sheets of 700µm of thickness *
- * Hot uni-axial stretching until rupture (exponential velocity)
- ** Optical measurement (1 camera): DIC
- * Thermal measurement (pyrometer)
- *



II) PEF uniaxial stretching







- → Validity of the time/temperature principle for both
- → Strain hardening is postponed for PEF
- → Slope of the strain hardening sharper for PEF



→ Materials with a low stiffness and a high strain hardening

II) Uniaxial deformation

a_T έ = 0,1 s⁻¹ and 0,01 s⁻¹





→ Validity of time/temperature principle for others equivalent strain rate

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1000

Master Curve PEF Master Curve PET

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Characterization of the orientation by a Debye-Scherrer in plane chamber analysis

Amorphous PEF



Amorphous PET

Characterization of the orientation by a Debye-Scherrer in plane chamber analysis



- Characterization of the orientation by a Debye-Scherrer in plane chamber analysis
- After the stretching: semi-crystalline material



Interrupted tests during the loading



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 $\varepsilon_{xx} = 0.9$

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 $\varepsilon_{xx} = 1,2$

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 $\epsilon_{xx} = 1,75$

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- Creation of an organized microstructure in PEF and PET
- Microstructural organization begins before the strain hardening Quenched PET
 for PEF and after for PET







 \rightarrow PEF is able to strain harden in biaxial stretching



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