

**100 nm SiO₂ –
nanoparticles in
PMMA - matrix**

▶ **POLYMERMATRIX
(NANO)KOMPOSITE**

Vorlesung Nanobiomaterialien WS 2016/2017

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- **Verbesserung der Eigenschaften von Bauteilen / Oberflächen** durch die **Kombination von zwei oder mehreren verschiedenen Phasen.**
 - Die Materialarten der verschiedenen Phasen können gleich oder verschieden sein.
- **Beispiele:**
 - **Spannbeton:** Kombination Beton / Stahl zum Abfangen von Zugspannungen im Beton
 - **Holz:** natürliches organisches Komposit, Verbindung von Cellulose-Fasern durch Lignin
 - **Metallgeflechte in Glas**
- **Zielsetzung:** hohe Festigkeit bei niedriger Dichte
 - Keramische Verbindungen aus Elementen mit niedriger Ordnungszahl (B, SiC, Al_2O_3, \dots)
- **Nachteil:** hohe Mikrorißempfindlichkeit, geringe Zugfestigkeit der reinen Keramiken
- **Lösung:** Einbettung in plastisch verformbare Grundmasse (z.B. Polymer)

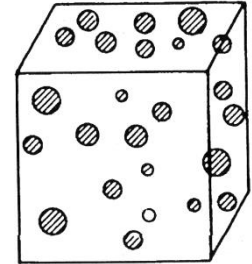


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► Einteilung nach Gefügen

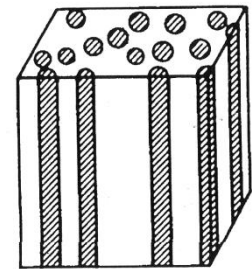
■ Isotrope Gefüge

- Hartmetalle, Cermets, Tränkwerkstoffe, Nanomere,...



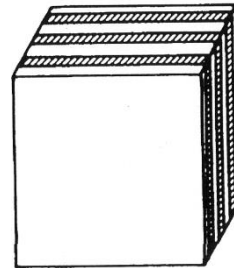
■ Faserverbunde

- GFK, KFK, Glaswolle, Pressspanholz, natürliches Holz,...



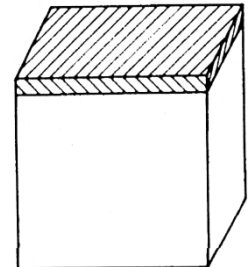
■ Laminate

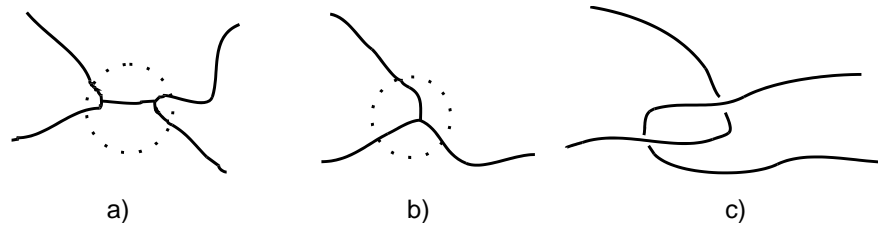
- Sperrholz, Sicherheitsglas,...



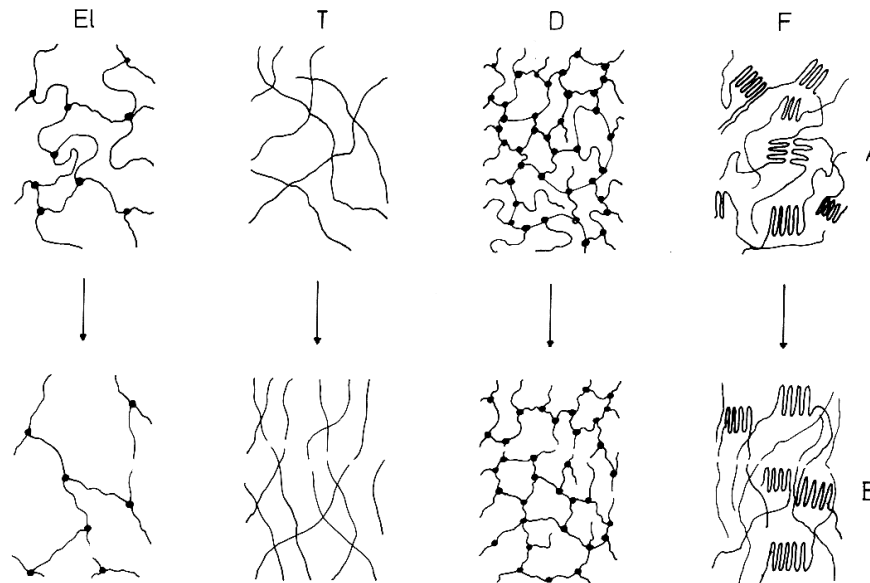
■ Oberflächenbeschichtungen

- z.B. Korrosions-, Verschleiß-, Anhaftungs-,...minimierend





• a) 4-funktionaler, b) 3-funktionaler Vernetzungspunkt und c) Verschlaufung (unvernetztes Polymer)



Quelle:
H.G. Elias,
Makromoleküle

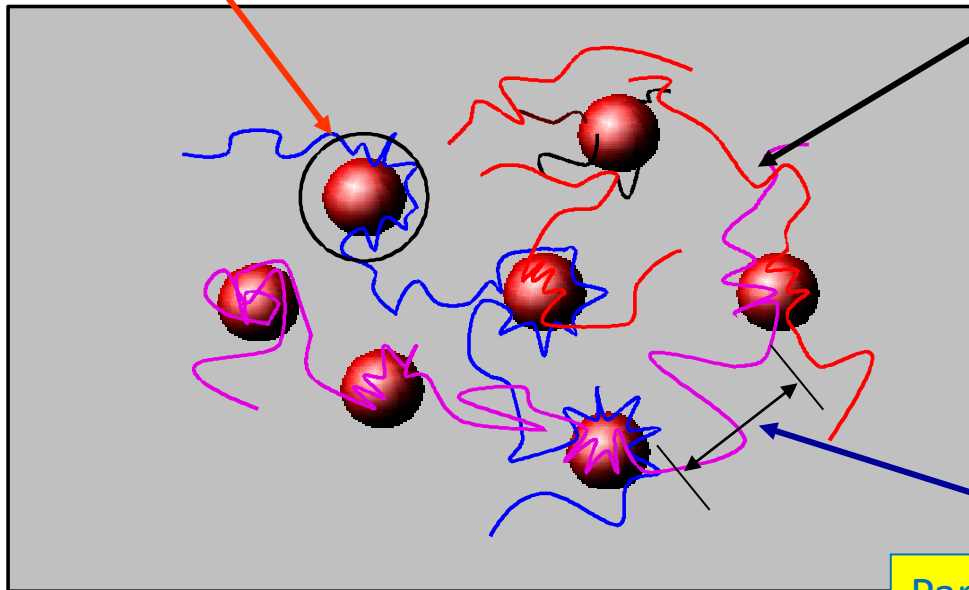
Abb. 15-1 Schematische Darstellung des Dehnungsverhaltens von Elastomeren El, Thermoplasten T, Duroplasten D und Fasern F vor der Verstreckung (A) und nach den Bruch (B). • Vernetzungen.

► Nanoparticles in polymer matrix (idealised view)

Polymer type matrix + inorganic nanoparticles = nanocomposite

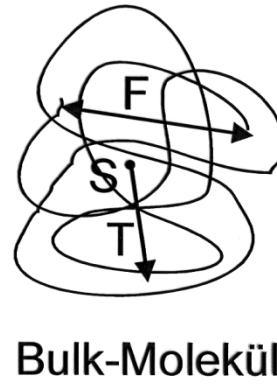
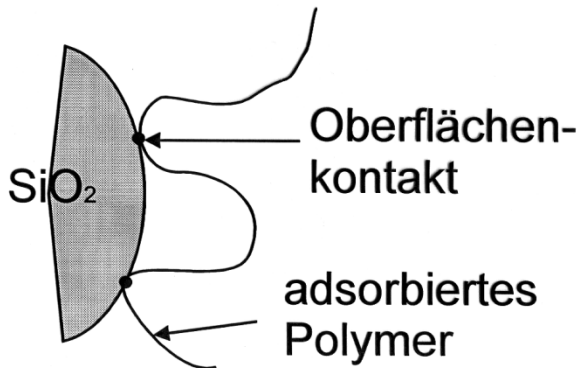
Polymer / particle contacts:
Interfacial layers of adsorbed
Polymer molecules

Free linear chain molecules
Entanglements
Covalent network points



Particle / particle contacts:
Interparticulate distance
(matrix ligament thickness)

► Größenverhältnisse



φ Nanopartikel: ca. 5 - 15 nm

- **Dimensionen der Polymermoleküle**

- unvernetztes PMMA: $M_n = 1 \cdot 10^6$ g/mol

- ca. 10.000 Monomereinheiten

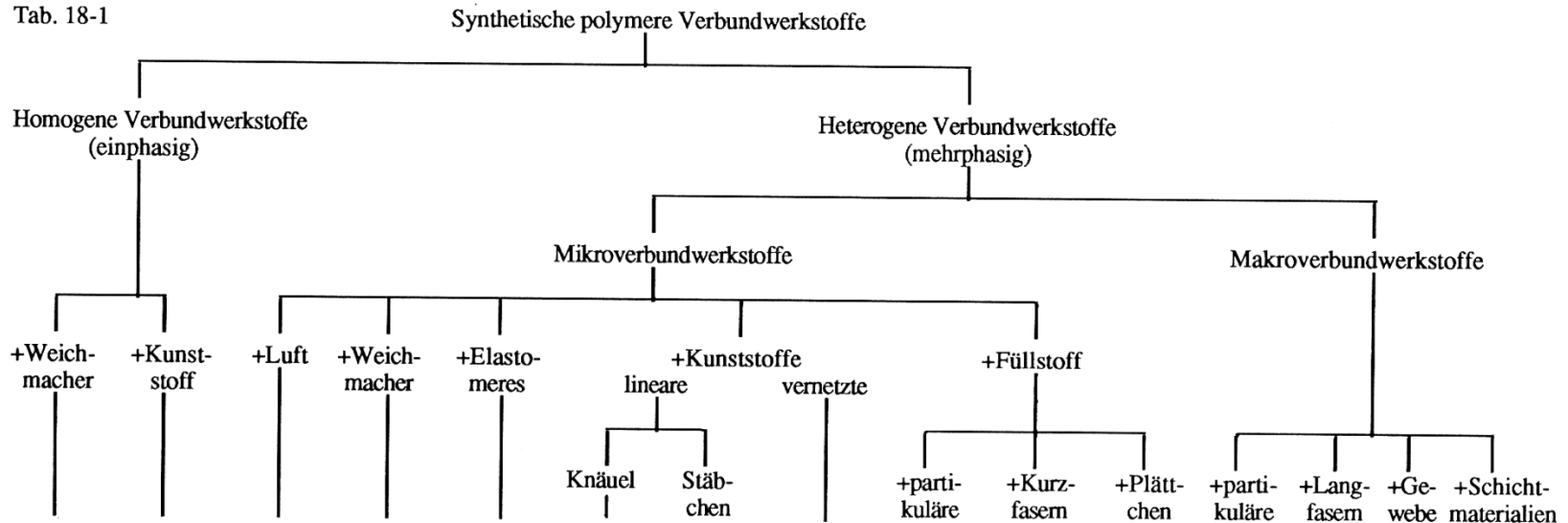
- gestreckte Kette: 2,5 μm

➡ • Fadenendenabstand (F): 30 nm

➡ • Trägheitsradius (T): 12 nm

Übersicht polymere Verbundwerkstoffe

Tab. 18-1



Spezielle Namen falls $T_G > T_{\text{Gebrauch}}$ bei der kontinuierlichen Phase aus Kunststoffen

Weichge- machtes Polymer	Polymer- Blend- Polymer- Legierung	Hart- schaum- stoff*)	Weichge- machter Kunst- stoff	schlag- zäher Kunst- stoff	Polymer- Blend	Moleku- larer Verbund- stoff	Interpen- trierendes Netzwerk	Gefüll- ter (ver- stärkter) K.	Faserver- stärkter Kunst- stoff	Verstärk- ter Kunst- stoff	Poly- mer- zement	Faser- ver- stärk- ter K.	Harz- matte	Lami- nat
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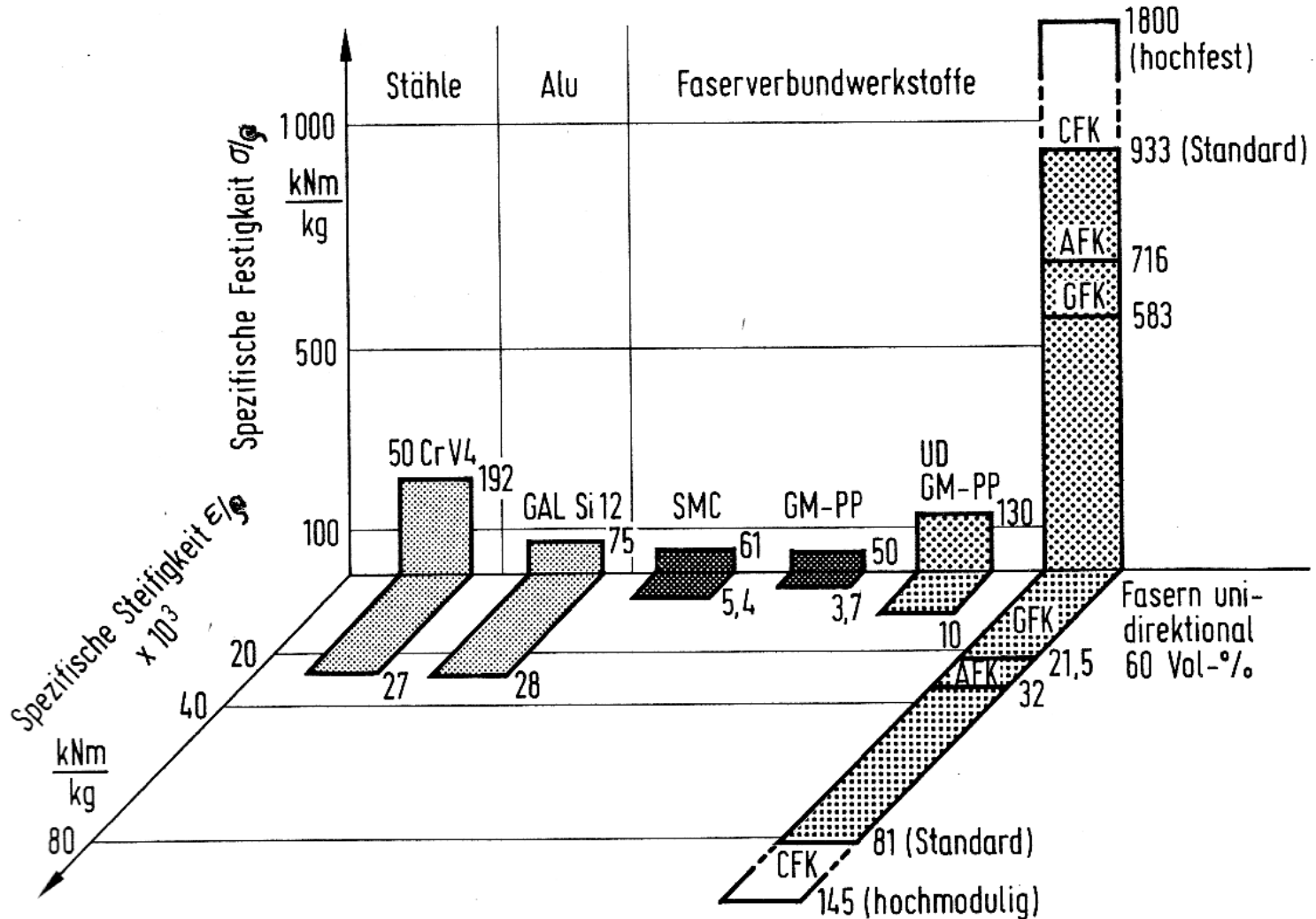
Spezielle Namen falls $T_G < T_{\text{Gebrauch}}$ bei der kontinuierlichen Phase aus Elastomeren

Öl-plasti- fizierter Gummi	Gummi- mischung	Weich- schaum- stoff**)	-	Gummi- Mschg.	Thermo- plastisches Elastomeres	-	-	ver- stärkter Gummi	-	-	-	-	-	-
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*) auch: zellulärer Kunststoff, Hart-Schaumkunststoff; **) auch: Schaumgummi

Quelle: Saechtling

Spezifische Steifigkeit, spezifische Festigkeit



Quelle: Saechtling

Steifigkeits-Festigkeitsrelation

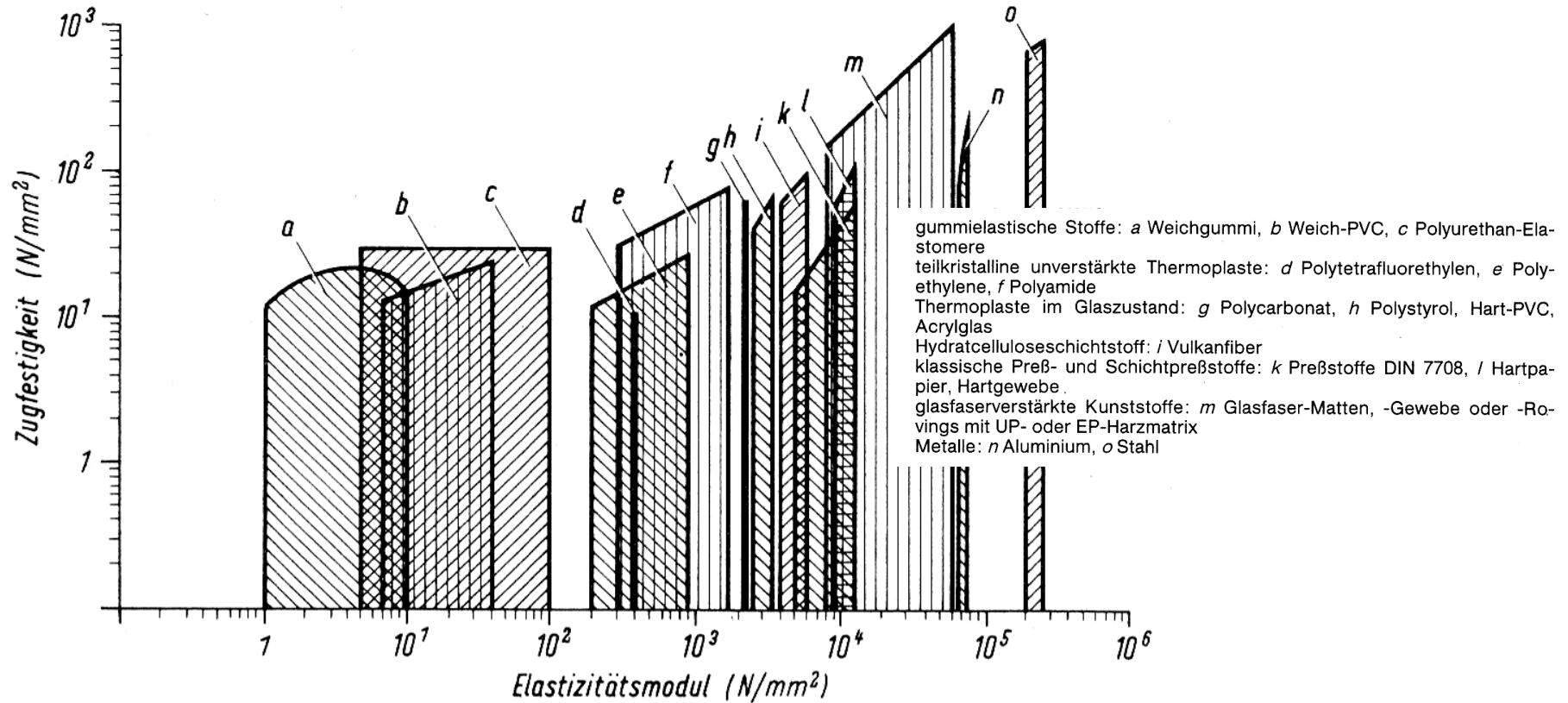
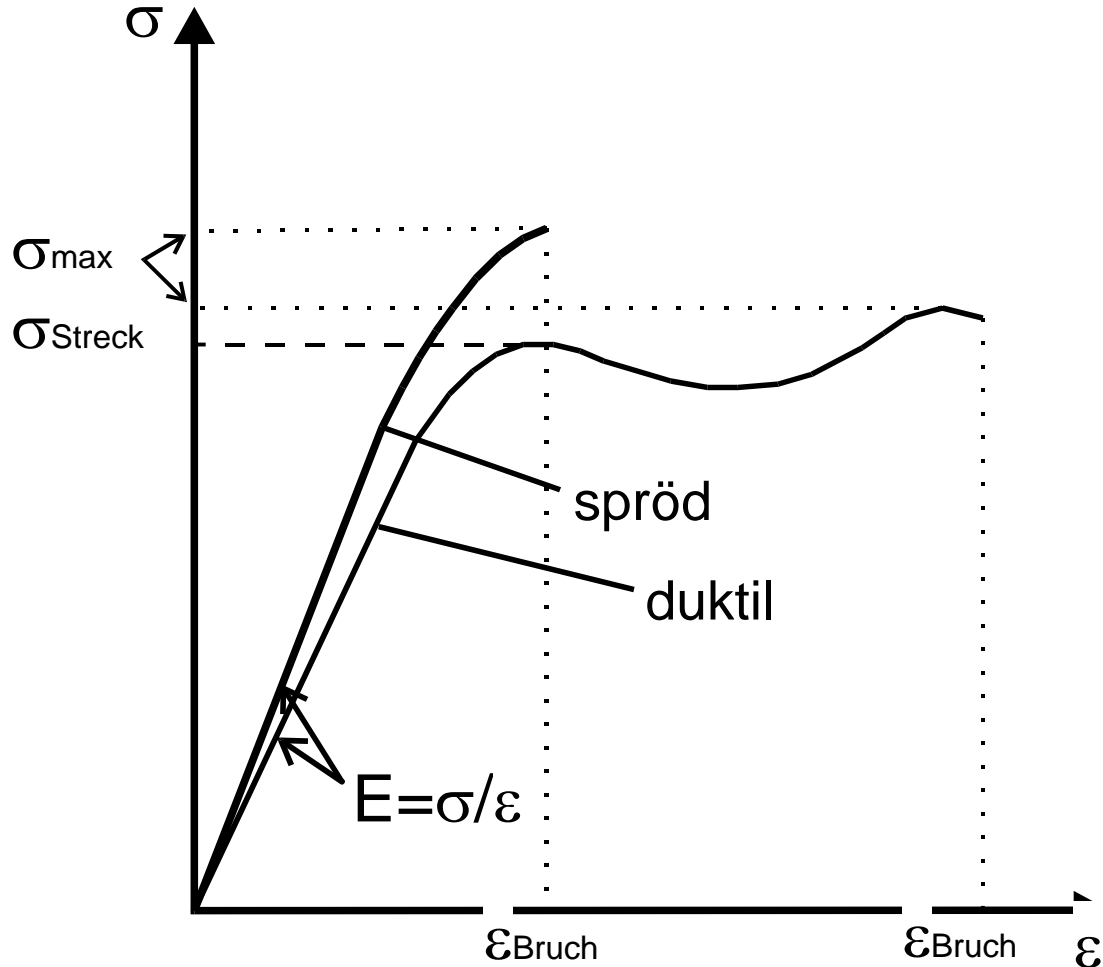


Bild 1.7. Zugfestigkeits- und Elastizitätsmodul-Bereiche gummielastischer bis stahl-elastischer Werkstoffe

► Mechanische Eigenschaften spröder und duktiler Polymere (z.B. Zugversuch)



Guth - Gold - Smallwood

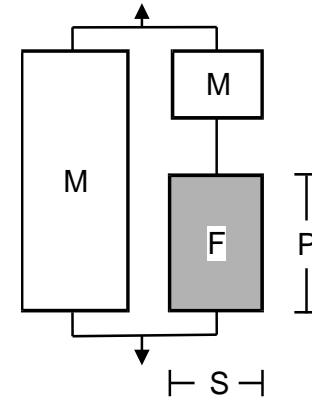
$$E_K = E_M \left(1 + (1 + A) \frac{\phi}{\phi_{\max}} + 14,1 \phi^2 \right)$$

ϕ_{\max} : maximaler Füllstoffgehalt,
 $A = \frac{7 - 5\mu}{8 - 10\mu}$: Konstante, μ : Poisson-Verhältnis

Kerner - Lewis - Nielsen

$$\frac{G_K}{G_M} = \frac{1 + AB\phi_F}{1 - B\psi\phi_F} \quad B = \frac{(G_F / G_M) - 1}{(G_F / G_M) + A}$$

$$\psi\phi_F = \left[1 + \left(\frac{1 - \phi_{\max}}{\phi_{\max}^2} \right) \phi_F \right] \phi_F$$



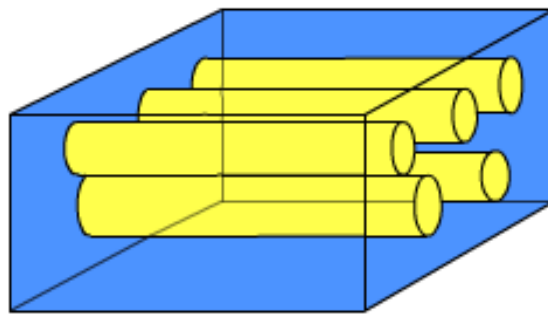
Obergrenze:

$$E_{\text{seriell}} = (1 - \phi)E_M + \phi E_F$$

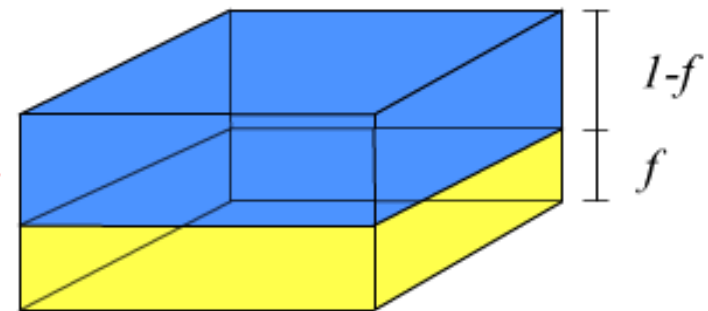
Untergrenze:

$$E_{\text{parallel}} = \left(\frac{1 - \phi}{E_M} + \frac{\phi}{E_F} \right)^{-1}$$

▶ The rule of mixtures and the inverse rule of mixtures



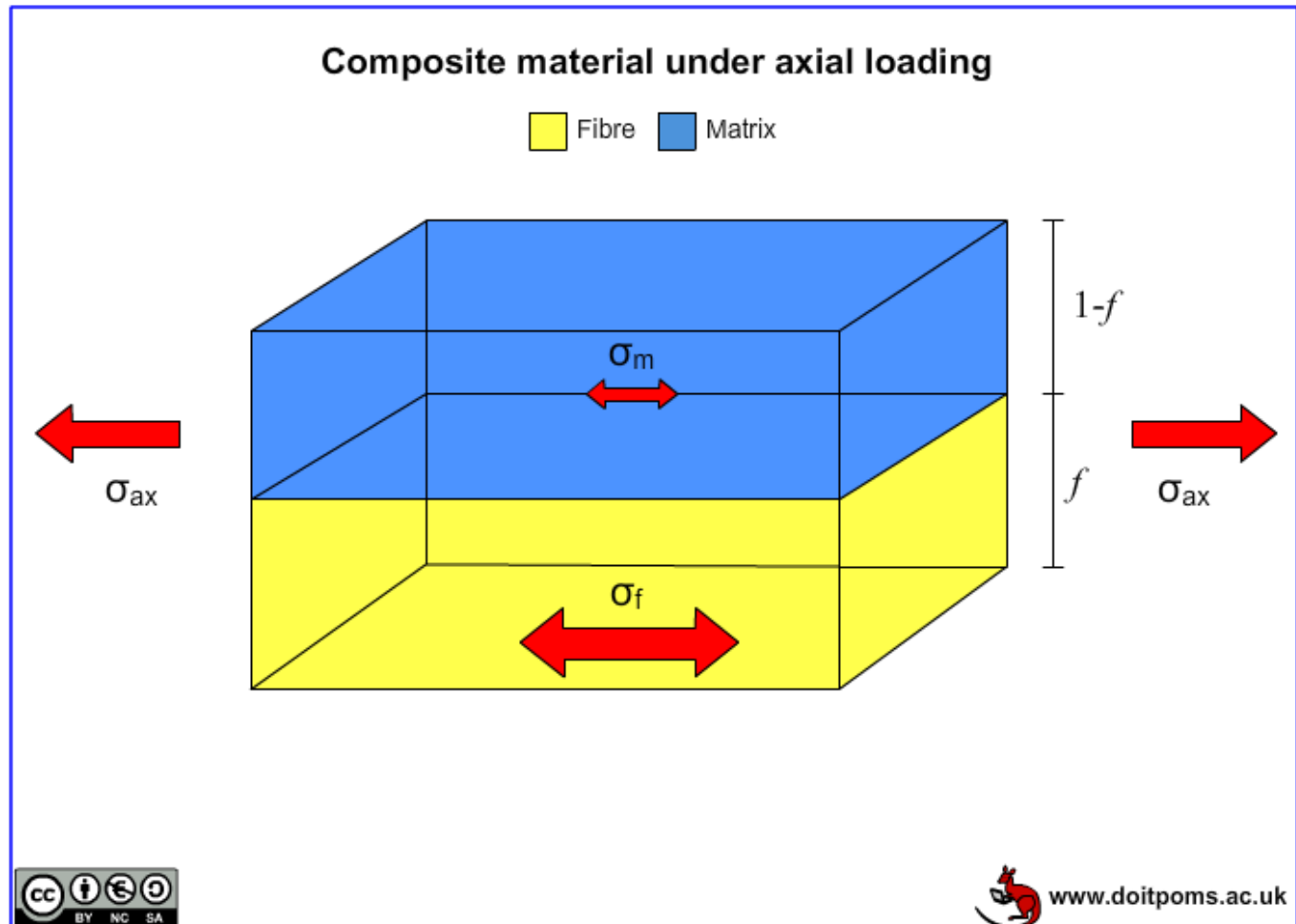
Composite material showing aligned fibres within the matrix



The approximation used in the Rule of Mixtures

Force applied in a direction parallel to the long axes of the fibres

equal strain



Force applied in a direction parallel to the long axes of the fibres (II)

$$\epsilon_{ax.} = \epsilon_f = \epsilon_m \quad (i)$$

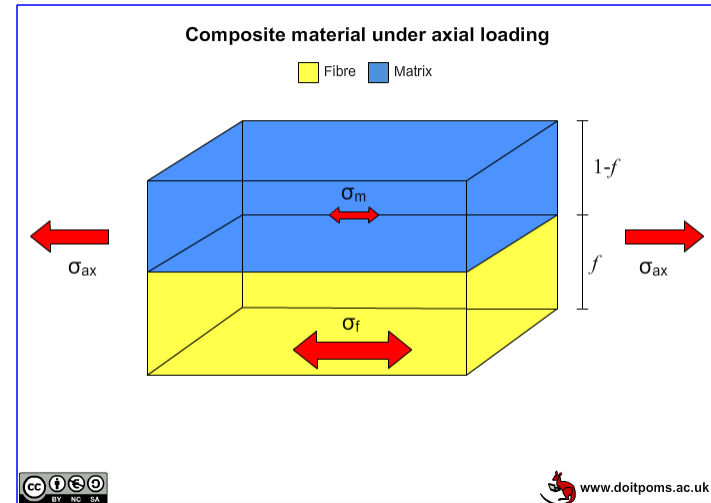
equal strain

As
$$\epsilon = \frac{\sigma}{E} \quad (ii)$$

$$\epsilon_{ax.} = \epsilon_f = \frac{\sigma_f}{E_f} = \epsilon_m = \frac{\sigma_m}{E_m} \quad (iii)$$

As stress is force per unit area, it can also be seen that the overall stress,

$$\sigma_{ax} = f\sigma_f + (1-f)\sigma_m \quad (iv)$$



Combining equations (iii) and (iv) gives an expression for the axial Young's Modulus

$$E_{ax.} \epsilon_{ax.} = fE_f \epsilon_f + (1-f)E_m \epsilon_m \quad (v)$$

Rule of mixtures

and since $\epsilon_{ax.} = \epsilon_f = \epsilon_m$

$$E_{ax.} = fE_f + (1-f)E_m \quad (vi)$$

see analogy \rightarrow

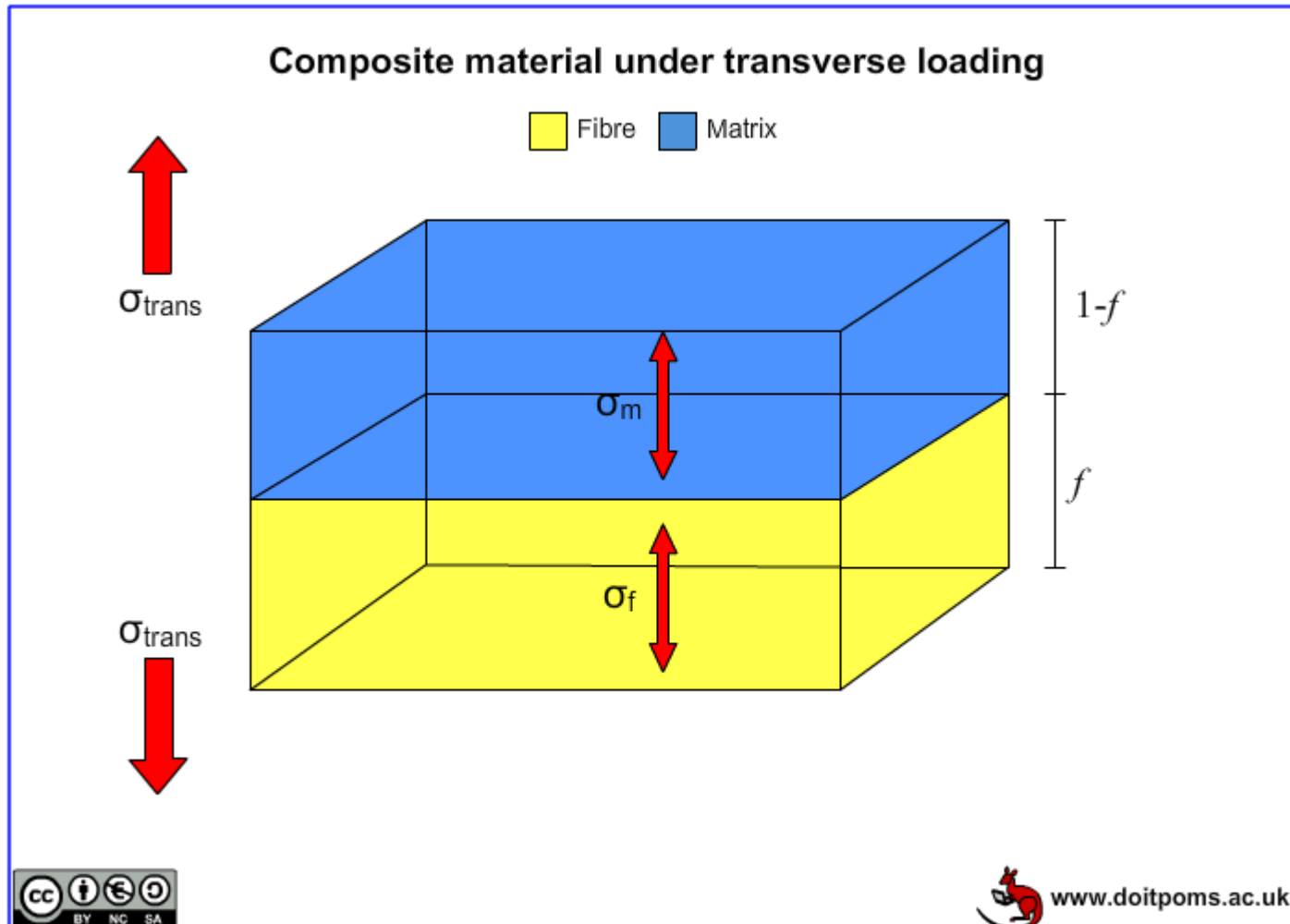
$$E_{series} = (1-\phi)E_M + \phi E_F$$

(= serial coupling S from Kerner's equation)

This is known as the **Rule of Mixtures**.

- ▶ Transverse stiffness:
Load is applied perpendicular to the fibres

equal stress



http://www.doitpoms.ac.uk/tlplib/bones/derivation_mixture_rules.php

▶ Transverse stiffness if the load is applied perpendicular to the fibres (\perp)

In this case an equal stress assumption is made

$$\sigma_{trans} = \sigma_f = E_f \epsilon_f = \sigma_m = E_m \epsilon_m \quad (vii)$$

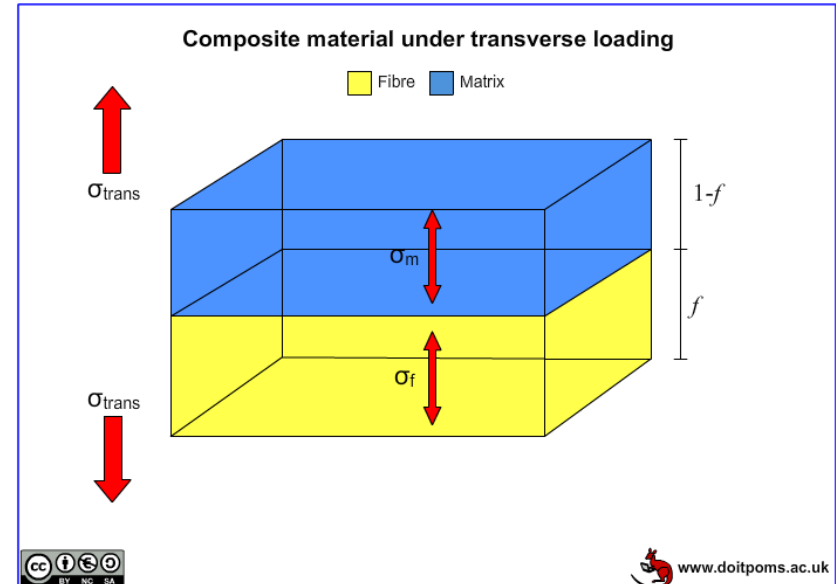
The overall strain in the composite is:

$$\epsilon_{trans} = f \epsilon_f + (1-f) \epsilon_m \quad (viii)$$

The transverse modulus of the composite is then given by:

$$E_{trans} = \frac{\sigma_{trans}}{\epsilon_{trans}} = \frac{\sigma_f}{f \epsilon_f + (1-f) \epsilon_m} = \left[\frac{f}{E_f} + \frac{(1-f)}{E_m} \right]^{-1}$$

equal stress



This is known as the **Inverse Rule of Mixtures**. It is not as accurate as the Rule of Mixtures because the equal stress assumption is not entirely valid – parts of the matrix will be shielded from stress by the fibres.



Inverse rule of mixtures

see analogy

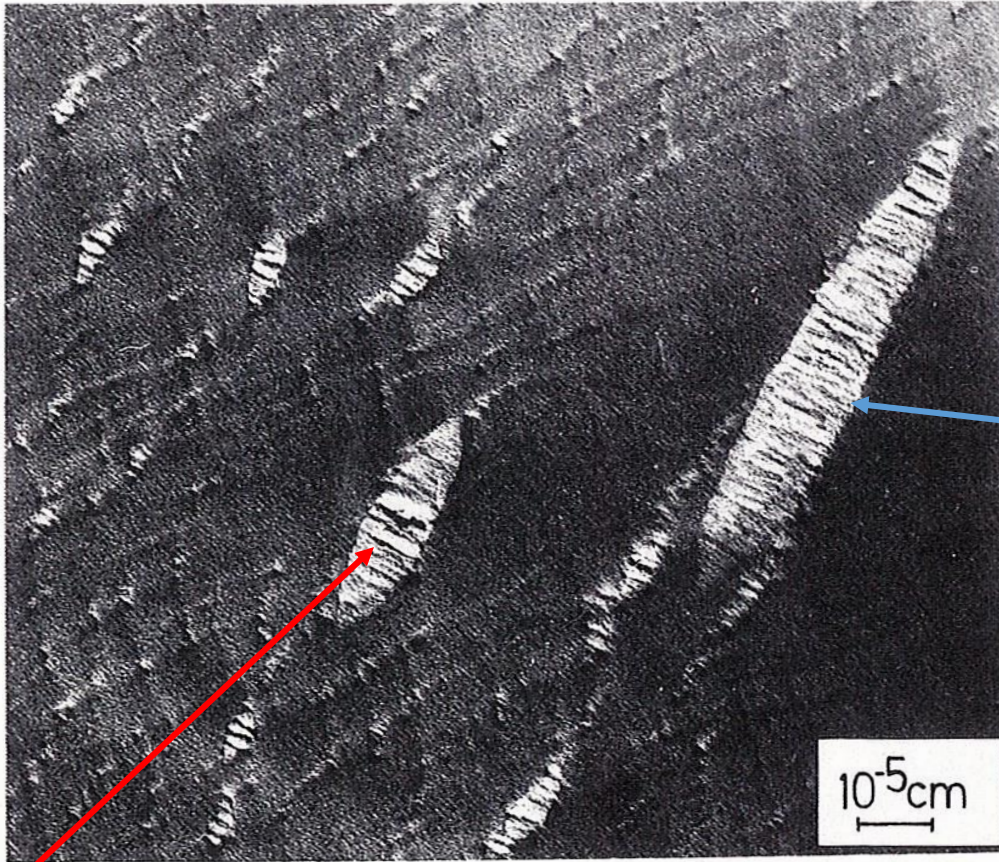
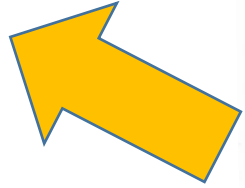
$$E_{parallel} = \left(\frac{1-\phi}{E_M} + \frac{\phi}{E_F} \right)^{-1}$$

(= parallel coupling P from Kerner's equation)



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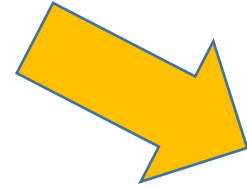
► Morphology of the crazes



$\epsilon = 25 \%$

polystyrene
 $M_w: 97.000 \text{ g/mole}$

craze



tensile load

polymer fibrils

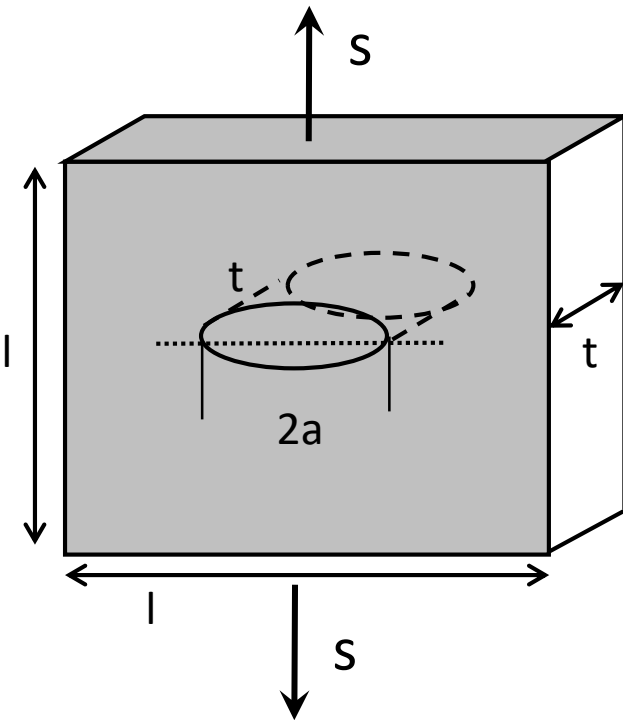


crack propagation

S. Wellinghof, E. Baer

▶ Griffith theory

elastic plate ($l \rightarrow \infty$) with elliptic crack



released elastic deformation energy (driving force):

$$U_E = -\frac{1}{2} \sigma \varepsilon (V_{el}) = -\frac{1}{2} \sigma \varepsilon (2\pi a^2 t) = -\frac{\sigma^2 \pi a^2 t}{E}$$

required surface energy (acts against crack propagation)

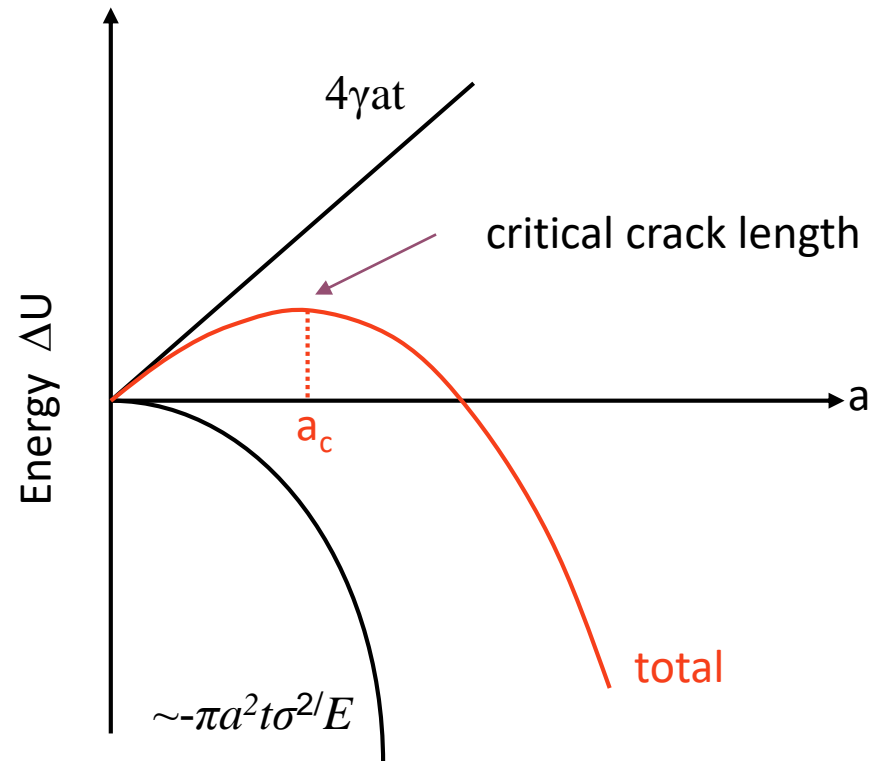
$$U_{OF} = 2(\gamma A_{crack}) = 2(\gamma 2at) = 4\gamma at$$

change of the potential energy by crack formation

$$\Delta U = U_{OF} + U_E = 4\gamma at - \frac{\sigma^2 \pi a^2 t}{E}$$

▶ Griffith theory

graphic presentation



- crack propagates under applied constant stress if $U_E > U_{OF}$
- requirement for (instable) equilibrium:

$$\frac{d\Delta U}{da} = 0 = \frac{d(U_E + U_{OF})}{da} = -\frac{2\pi a \sigma^2 t}{E} + 4\gamma t = 0$$

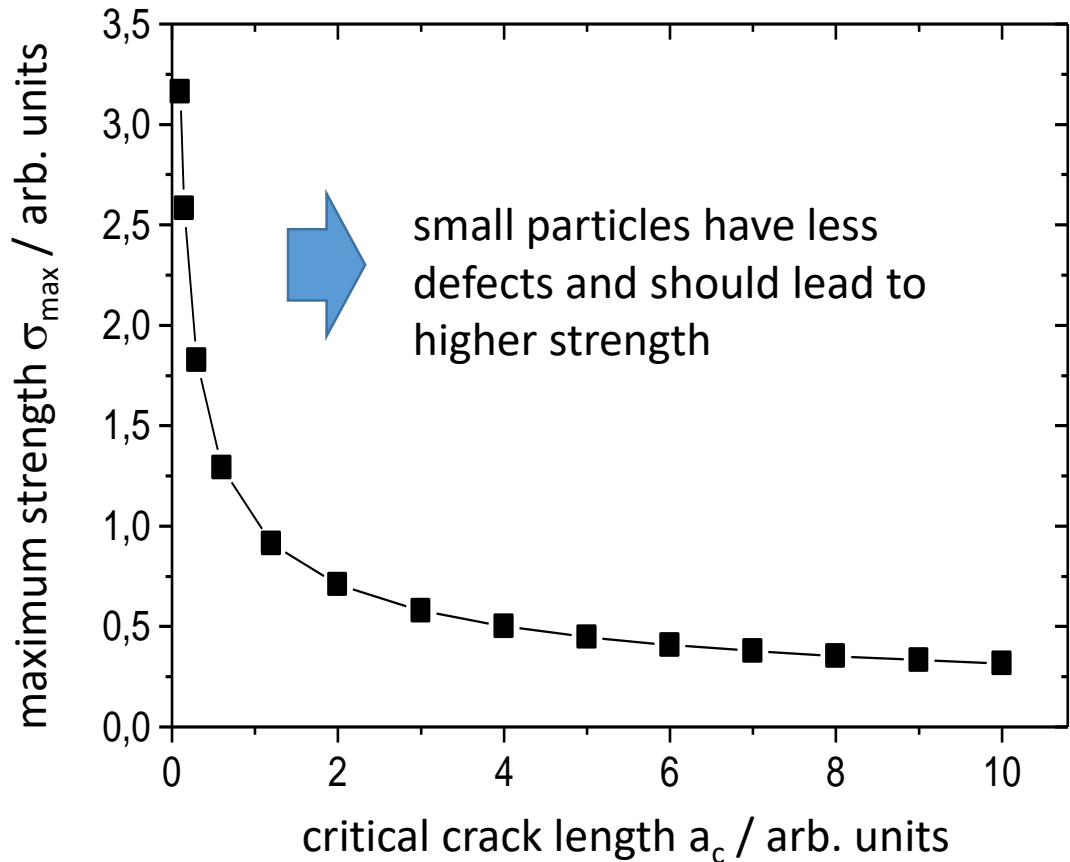
- required stress of break for instable crack propagation:

$$\sigma \geq \sigma_c = \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma E}{\pi a}}$$

► Model calculation to critical crack length (Griffith theory)

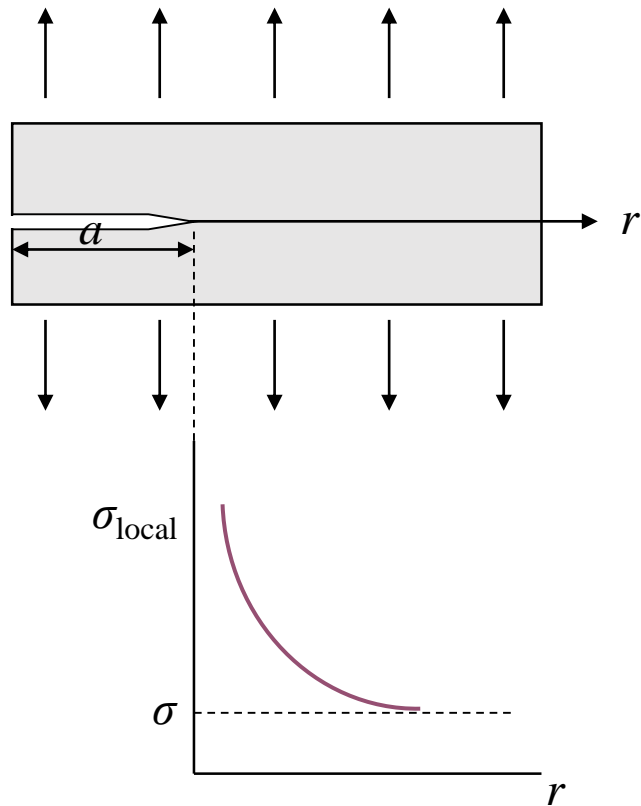
$$\sigma \geq \sigma_c = \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma E}{\pi a}}$$

$$\sigma_{\max} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{a_c}} \quad \rightarrow$$



► Failure mechanics

- brittle materials:
- high stress concentrations at the crack tip
- elastic deformations that reduce the strength below σ_{th}



$$\sigma_{local} = \sigma \left(1 + Y \sqrt{\frac{\pi a}{2\pi r}} \right)$$

near the crack ($a \gg r$):

$$\sigma_{local} = Y \frac{\sigma \sqrt{\pi a}}{\sqrt{2\pi r}}$$

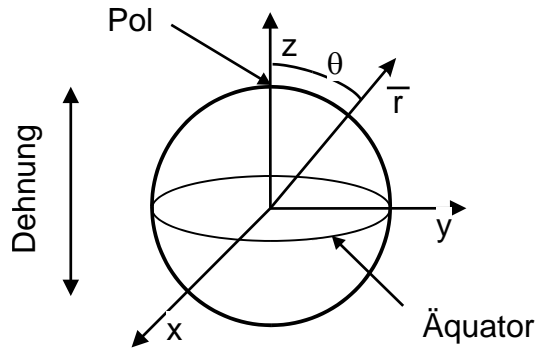
stress intensity factor

$$K_I = Y \sigma \sqrt{\pi a}$$

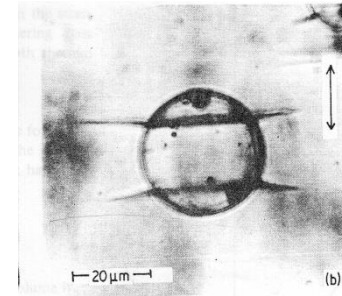
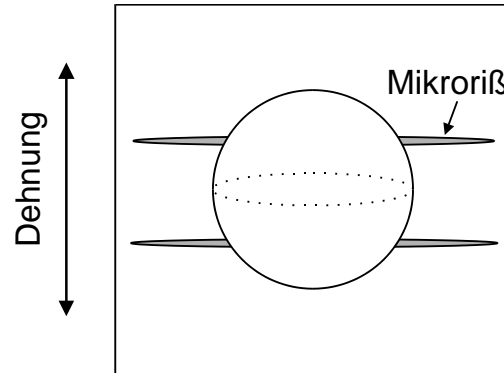
fracture occurs if:

$$K_I > K_{IC}$$

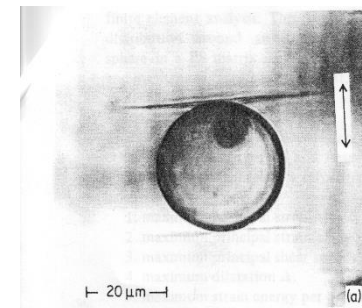
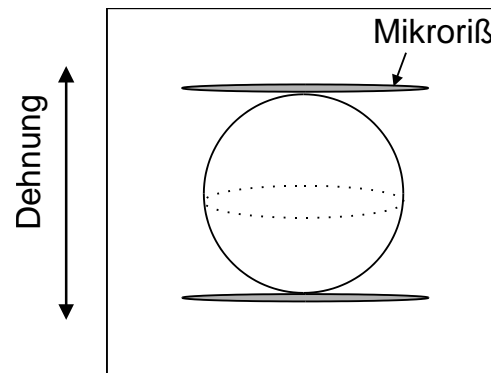
► Mikrodeformationsverhalten in Kompositen



Schlechte Phasenanbindung

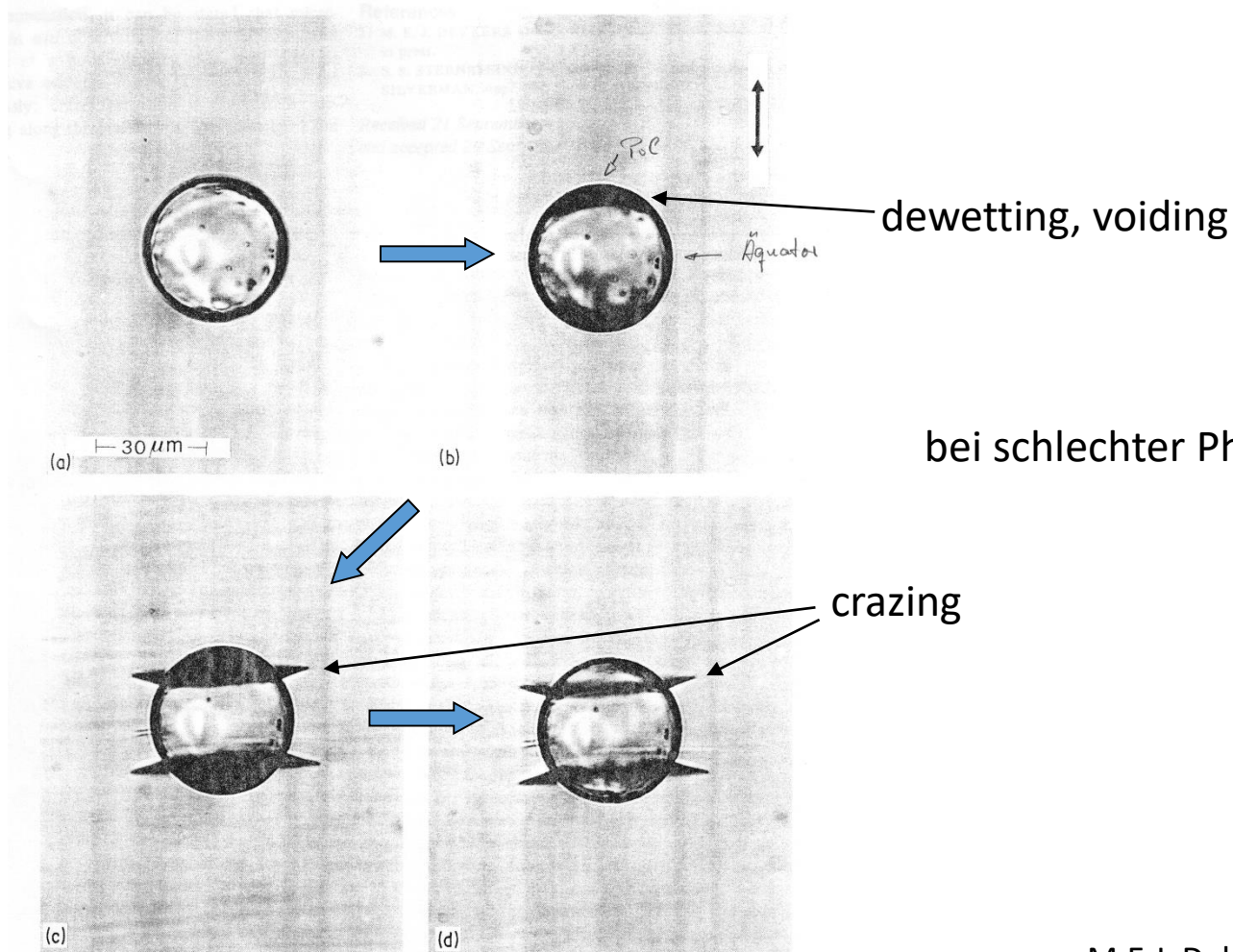


Gute Phasenanbindung



M.E.J. Dekkers, D. Heikens,
J. Mater.Sci. 18 (1983), 3281-3287

► Mikrodeformationsverhalten in Kompositen





bei schlechter Phasenbindung

Figure 1 Successive stages of the craze formation process at a poorly adhering glass bead. (a) Specimen before straining; (b) dewetting; (c) craze formation; (d) craze pattern after removal of the applied strain. The arrow indicates the applied strain direction. Note that, besides at the glass bead, crazes are also formed at surface flaws. Two small surface crazes are clearly visible in Figs. 1c and d at the left side of the bead near the equator. These crazes were observed to grow from the surface of the specimen into the material where they reached the bead.

M.E.J. Dekkers, D. Heikens,
J. Mater.Sci. Lett. 3 (1984), 307-309

► Composites with (short) fibres

- mechanical load **perpendicular to fibre orientation (\perp)**:
 - yield stress, max. stress and elongation at break:
 - determined by the weaker phase (if not interfacial adhesion getting lost)
 - mechanical load **in fibre orientation (\parallel)**:
 - external stress σ_β is acting via **shear stress** $\tau_{\alpha\beta}$ on the fibre surface
 - $\tau_{\alpha\beta} > \sigma_\beta$  rupture of the fibres
 - $\tau_{\alpha\beta} < \sigma_\beta$  deformation of the matrix, de-lamination, pull-out
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- critical fibre length is defined as

- $$L_c = \frac{\sigma_\beta r_F}{\tau_{\alpha\beta}}$$

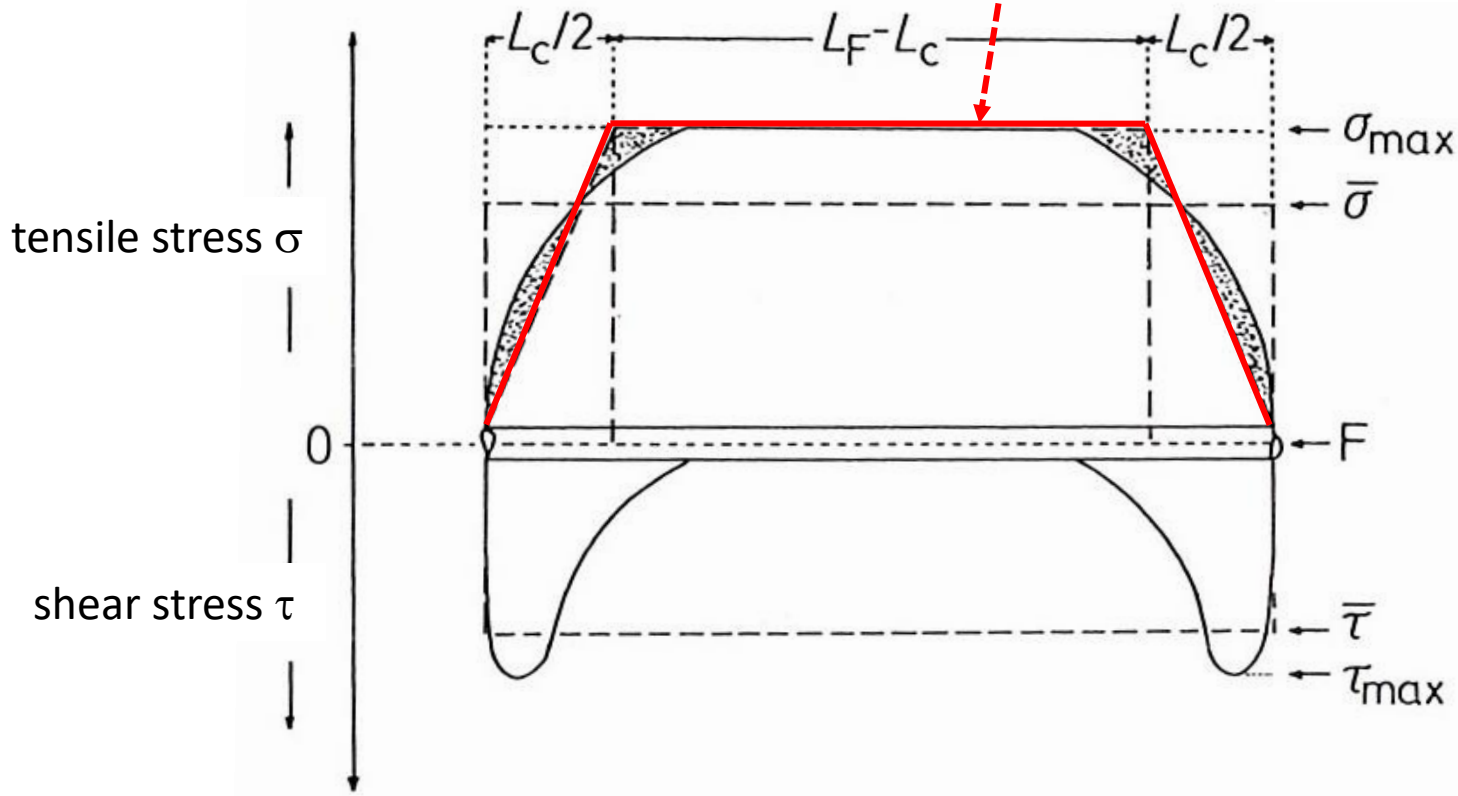
= length of those fibres that can be pulled out of the matrix without break

► Stress distribution along fibres

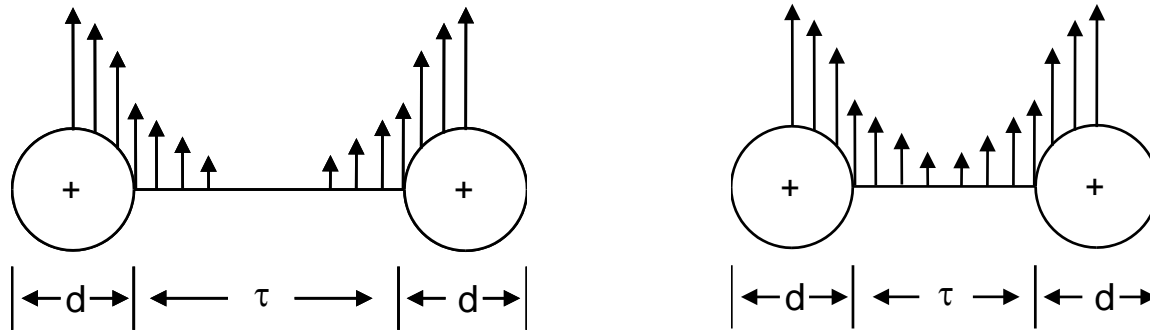
trapezoidal approximation

L_c : critical length fibre

L_f : fibre length



Partikel als Spannungskonzentratoren und Überlappung von Spannungsfeldern



Ziel: kontrollierte Riausbreitung zum Erhalt von Zhigkeit

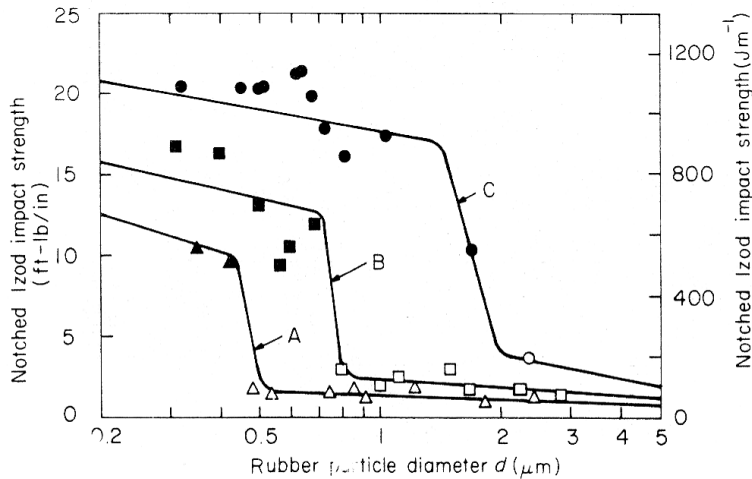


Figure 3 Notched Izod impact strength *versus* PR-rubber number-average particle diameter d_n at constant adhesion $G_a = 8100 \text{ J m}^{-2}$ and constant rubber contents curve A: 10%; curve B: 15%; and curve C: 25% by weight. Solid symbols are for tough fracture; open symbols are for brittle fracture

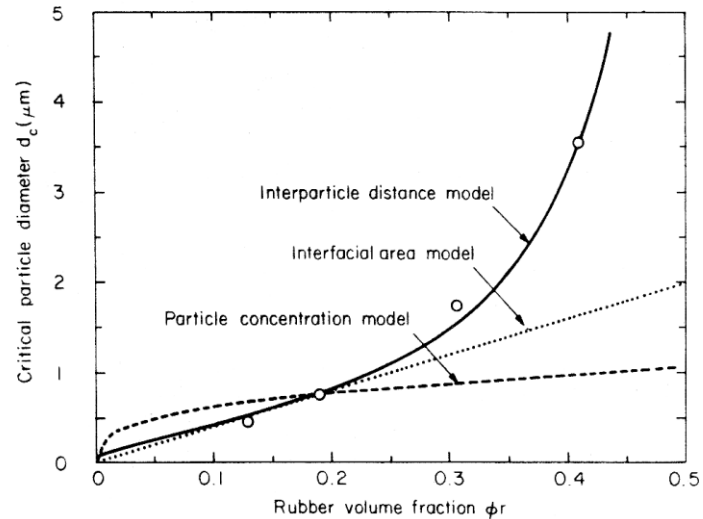


Figure 7 Critical particle diameter for toughening in notched impact *versus* rubber volume fraction. The lines (—); (····); (----) are theoretical results; (O) experimental results. $T_c = 0.304 \text{ μm}$; $N_c = 0.831 \text{ μm}^{-3}$; $A_c = 1.508 \text{ μm}$

$$d_c = 6\phi_r / A_c \quad (5)$$

$$d_c = \{(6\phi_r) / (\pi N_c)\}^{1/3} \quad (6)$$

$$d_c = T_c \{(\pi / (6\phi_r))^{1/3} - 1\}^{-1} \quad (7)$$

S. Wu,
Polymer 26 (1985), 1855-1863

CRITERION FOR RUBBER TOUGHENING

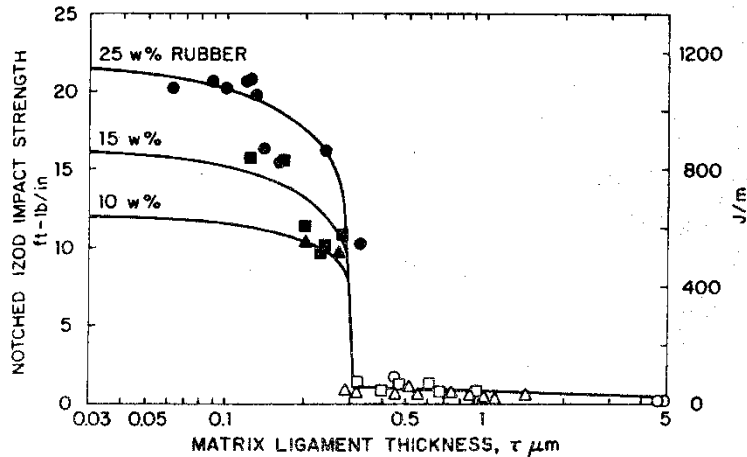


Fig. 3. Notched Izod impact strength vs. matrix ligament thickness for nylon-66/rubber blends. Replotted from Figure 1. Tough: (●) 25 w%; (■) 15 w%; (▲) 10 w% rubber; Brittle: (○) 25 w%; (□) 15 w%; (△) 10 w% rubber. After 1.

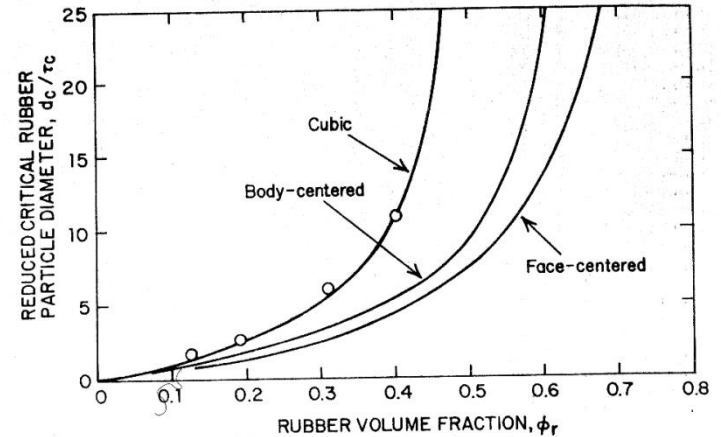


Fig. 4. Reduced critical rubber particle diameter vs. rubber volume fraction for cubic, body-centered, and face-centered lattices. Symbols are experimental for nylon/rubber blends. Lines are theoretical.

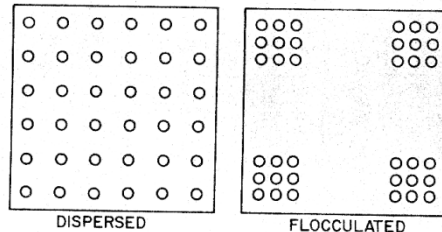


Fig. 7. Schematics of particle dispersion and flocculation.

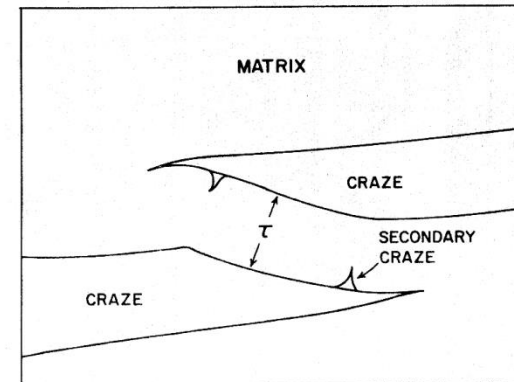
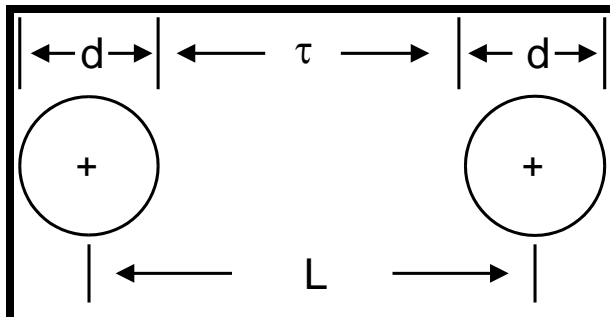


Fig. 10. Schematics of primary crazes, matrix ligament and secondary crazes in the fracture of a polystyrene/rubber blend. Drawn from Ref. 4.

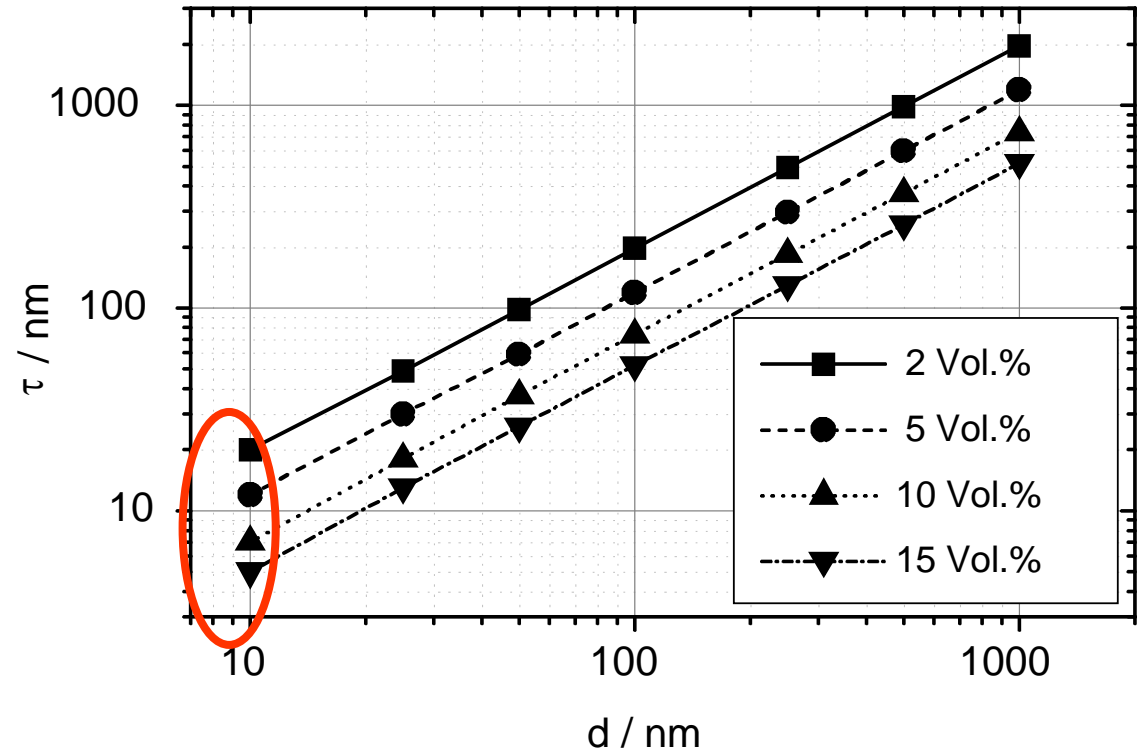
S. Wu,
J. Appl. Polym. Sci 35 (1988), 549-561

▶ Estimation of the mean interparticulate distance τ (S. Wu et al.)

● Determining parameters: filler content ϕ
particle size $d = 2r$



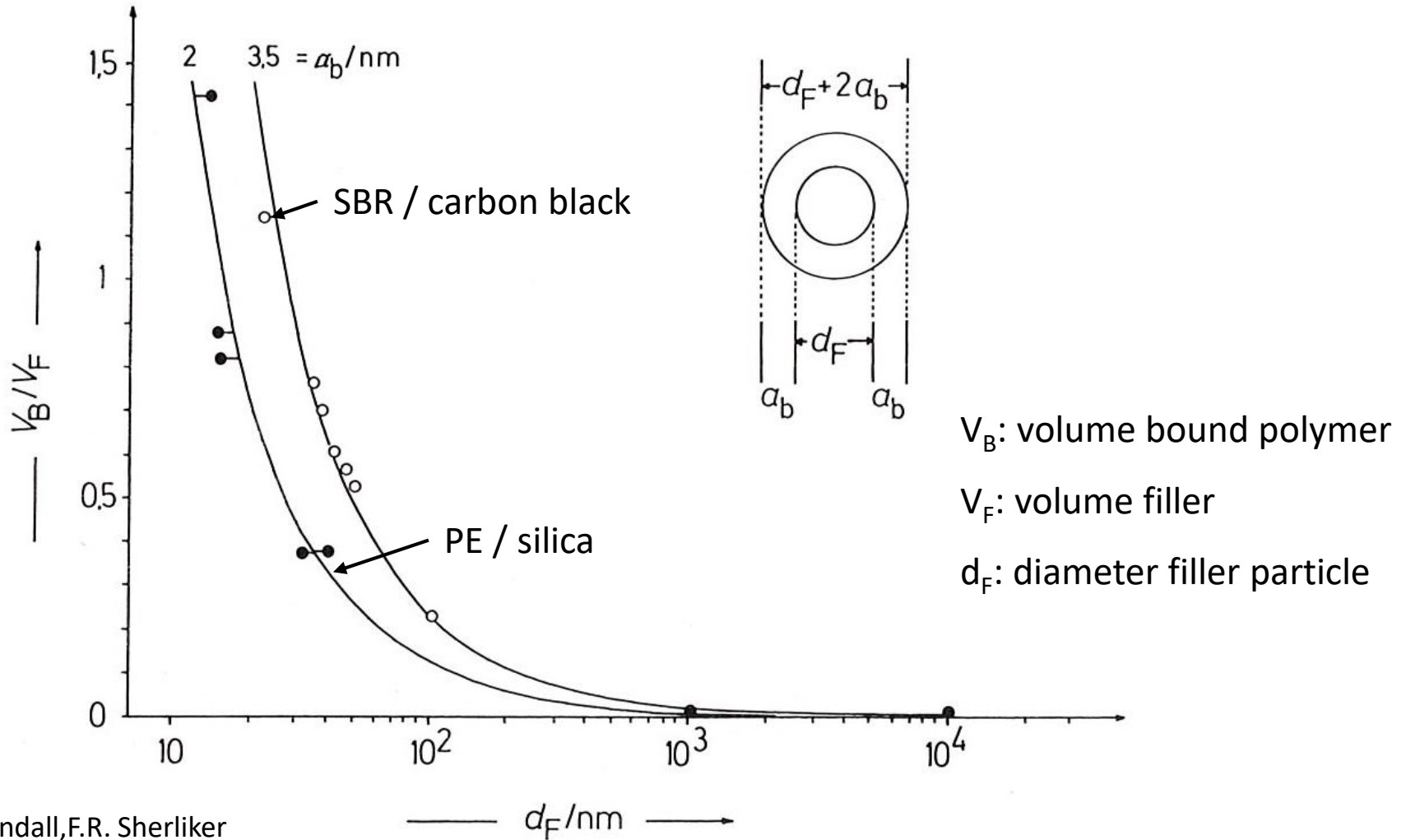
estimation for a simple cubic packing with $\phi_{\max} = 0,52$



● $L = 2r(\pi/6\phi)^{1/3}$

● $\tau = 2r[(\pi/6\phi)^{1/3}-1] =$ mean matrix ligament thickness

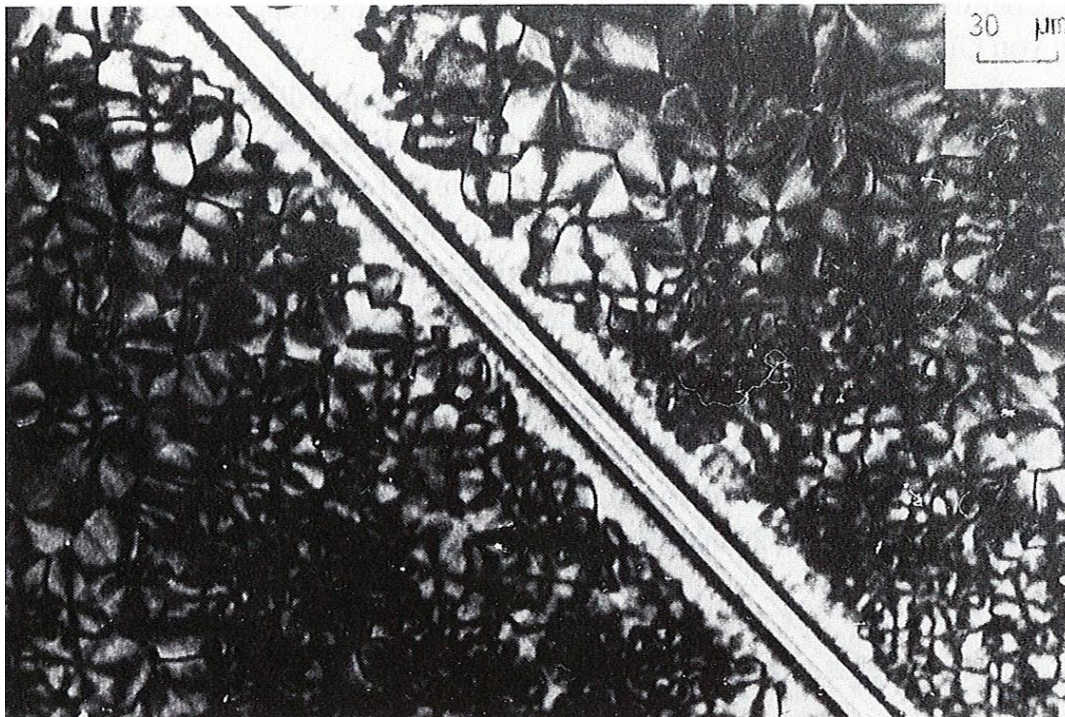
Interfacial layers in polymer matrix composites



K. Kendall, F.R. Sherliker

▶ Example of a trans-crystalline layer on a fibre

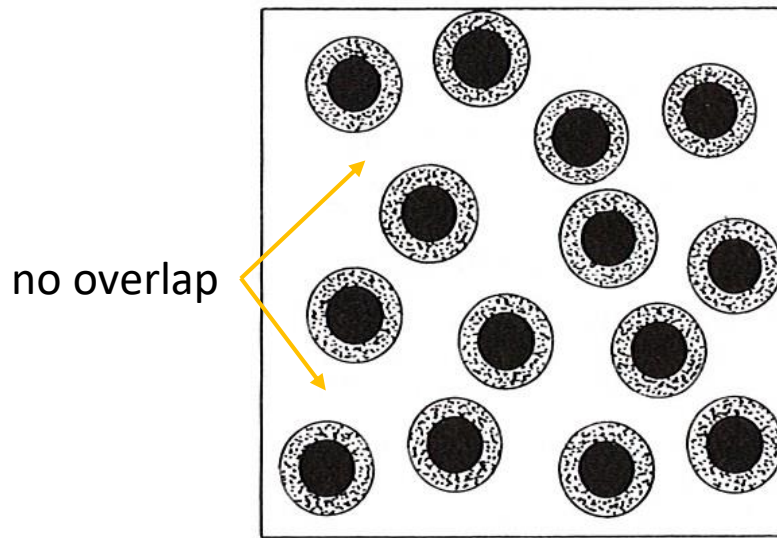
PA-6.6 trans-crystalline layers (5-23 μm wide) on Kevlar fibres



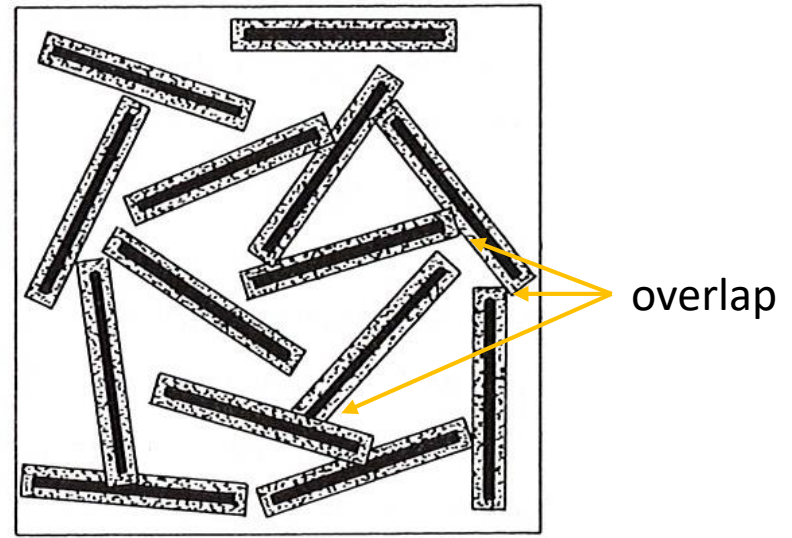
R.H. Burton, M.J.Folkes

Overlap of interfacial layers in dependence on filler aspect ratio

epitaxial growth of crystalline matrices



$$\phi_F = 0,112$$



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ϕ_F : filler volume fraction

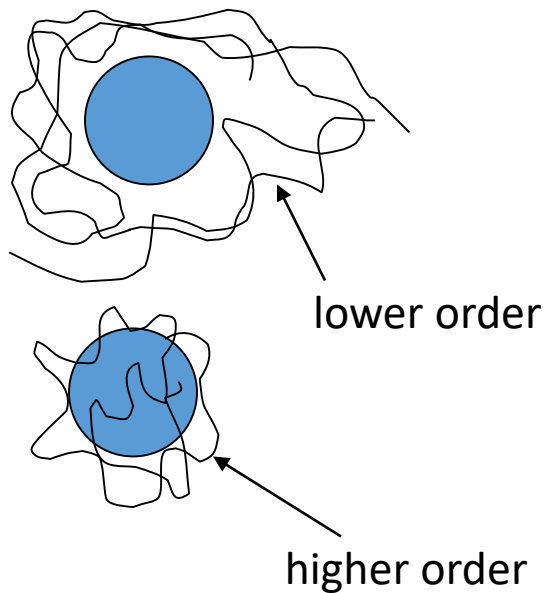
► Interfacial layers in nanocomposites

Volume fraction interfacial layer on overall matrix volume

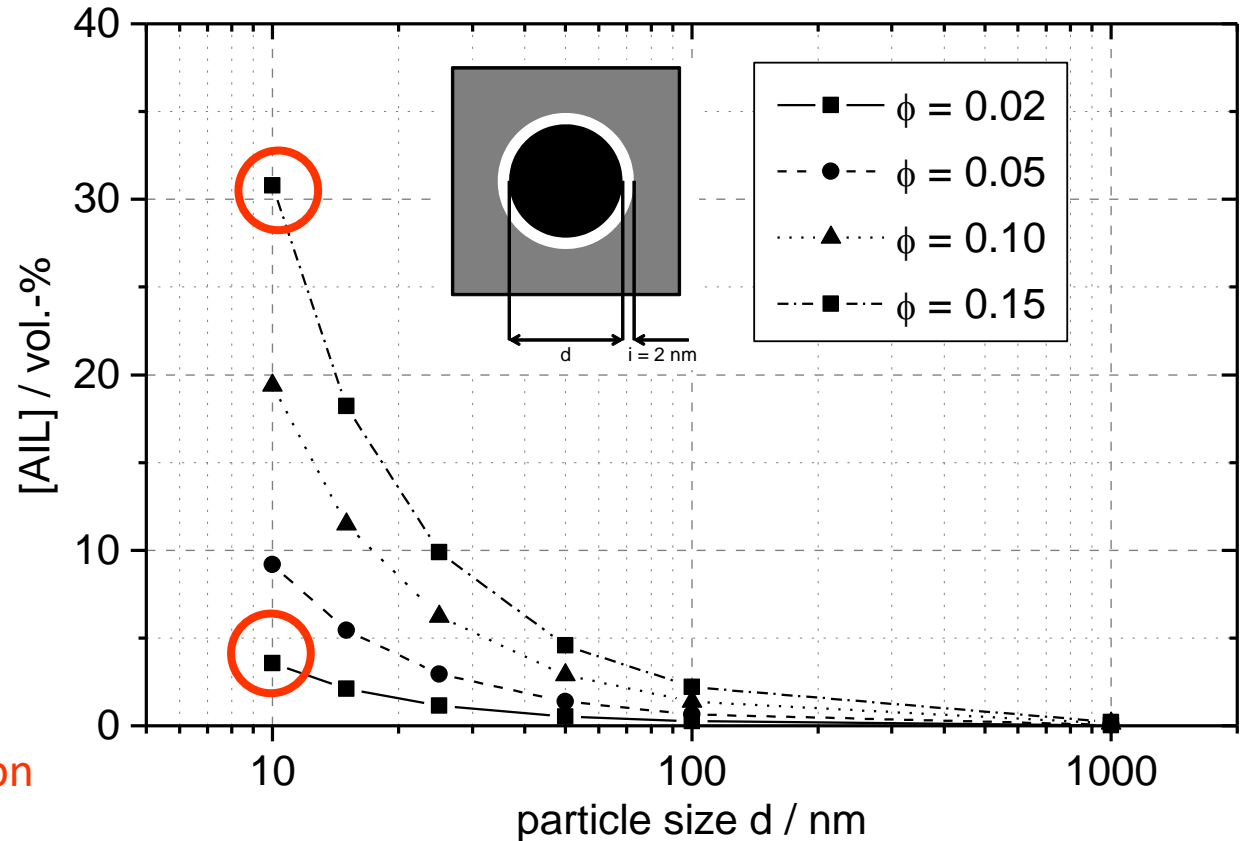
$$[AIL] = [\phi/v(1-\phi)] * (V-v) * 100$$

ϕ : filler volume fraction, $d = 2*r$: particle size, $v = 4/3\pi*r^3$: particle volume

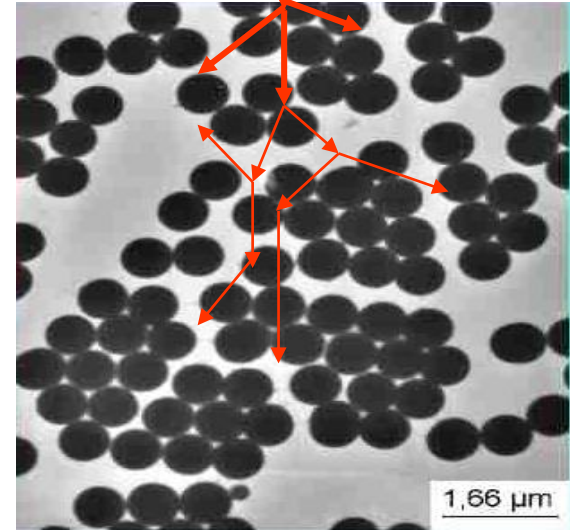
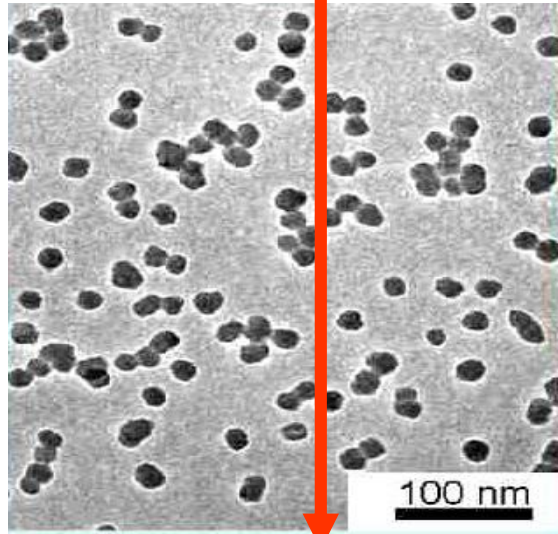
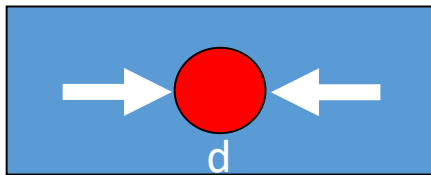
$V = 4/3\pi*(r+i)^3$: volume particle + interfacial layer, r : particle radius, i : interfacial layer thickness



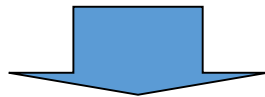
 Interfacial layer with significant volume fraction



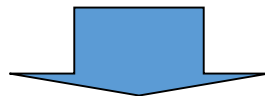
▶ The attraction of nanoparticles



no light scattering if $d < \lambda / 20$

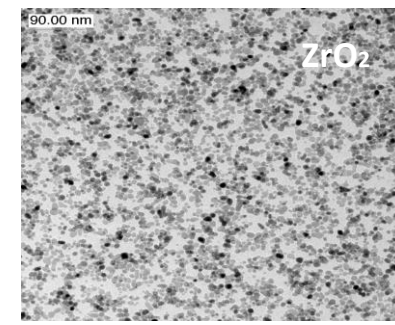
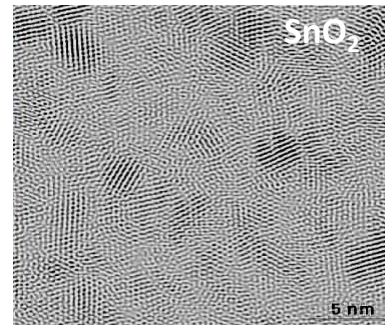
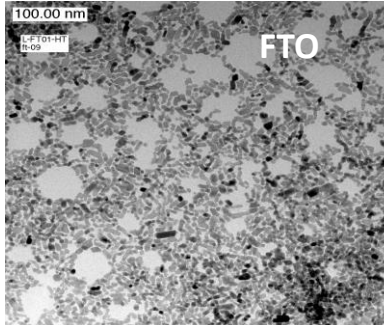
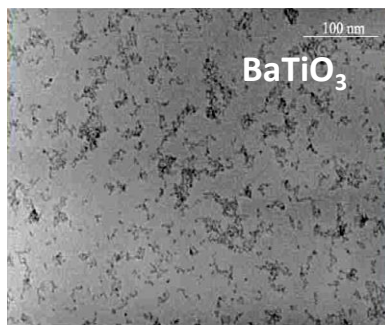
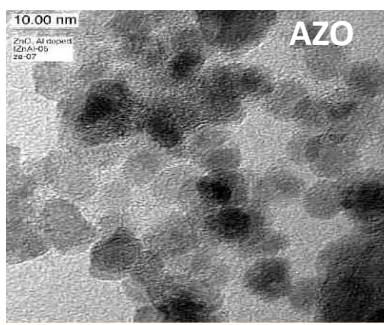
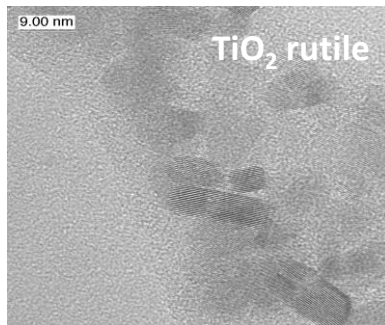
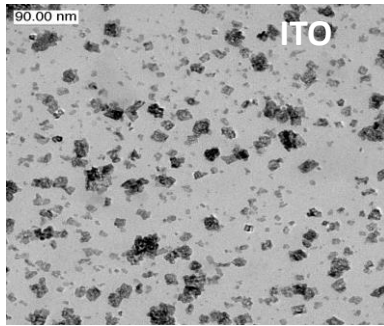
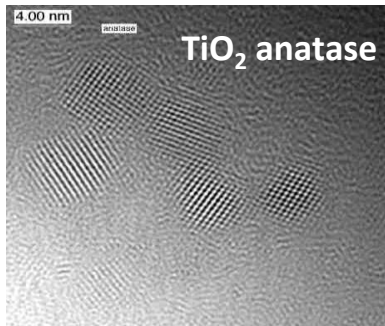


new options for optical applications
nanoparticles in transparent matrix



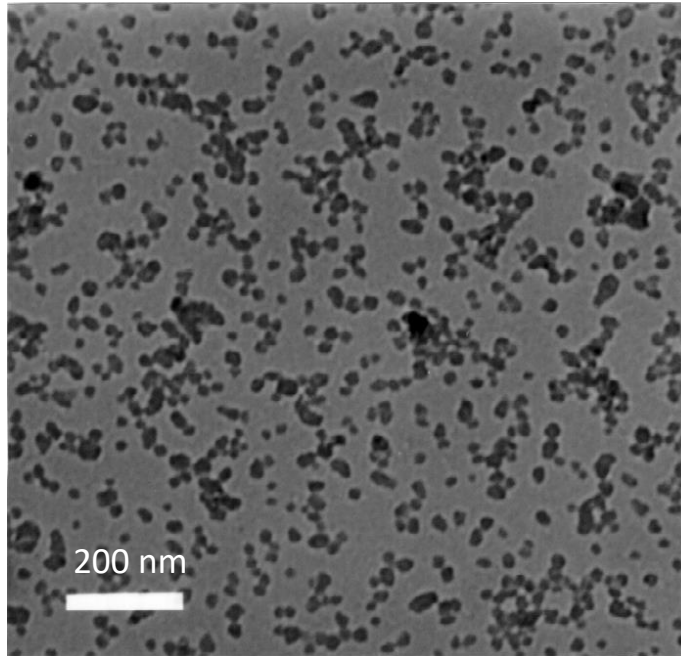
Solid state physical properties + polymer processing techniques

▶ Examples for nanoparticles



▶ Particle dispersions in water, alcohol or organic solvent

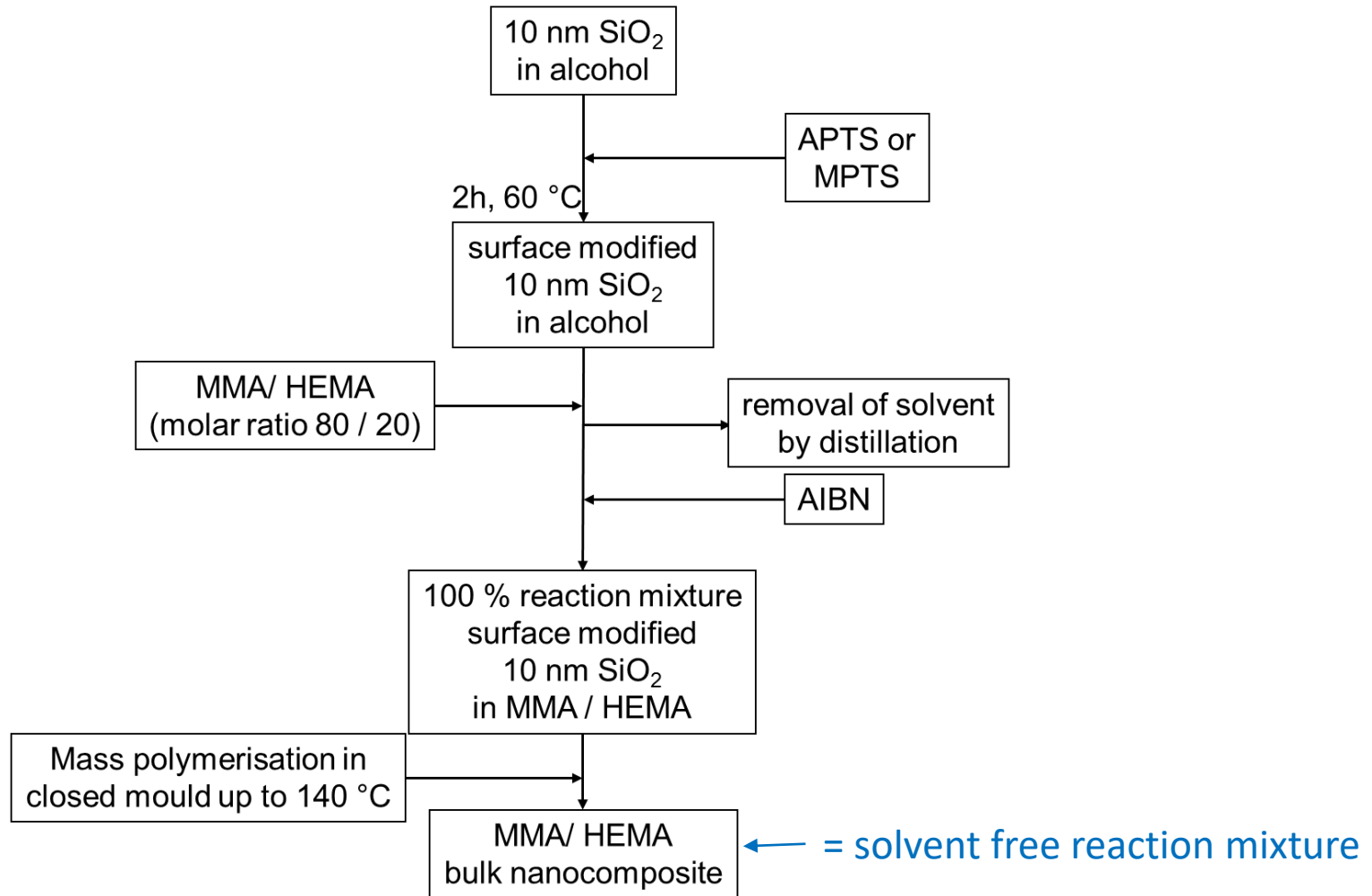
▶ SiO₂ – nanoparticles used for following example



Nissan MA-ST
 $d_{90} < 15$ nm
colloidal SiO₂
in methanole

➔ TEM – micrograph from the unmodified diluted dispersion
primary particles separable

Investigations on example P(MMA-co-HEMA) + nanoscaled SiO₂





INM

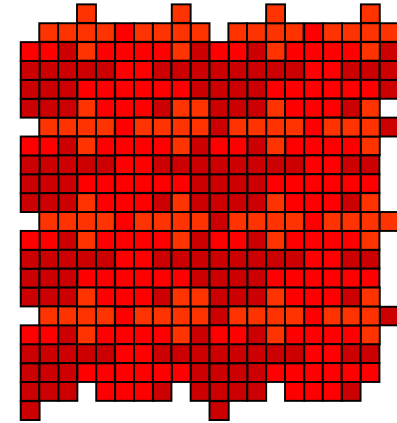
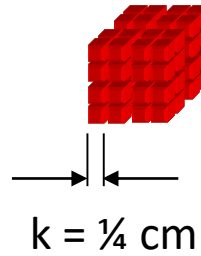
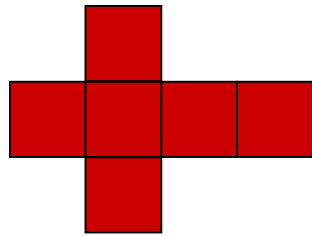
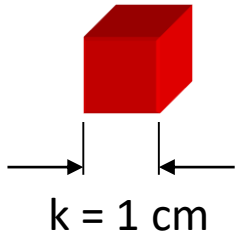
▶ Large specific surface area in case of nanoparticles

$V = 1 \text{ cm}^3$

$A = 6 \text{ cm}^2$

$V = 1 \text{ cm}^3$

$A = 24 \text{ cm}^2$

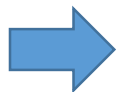
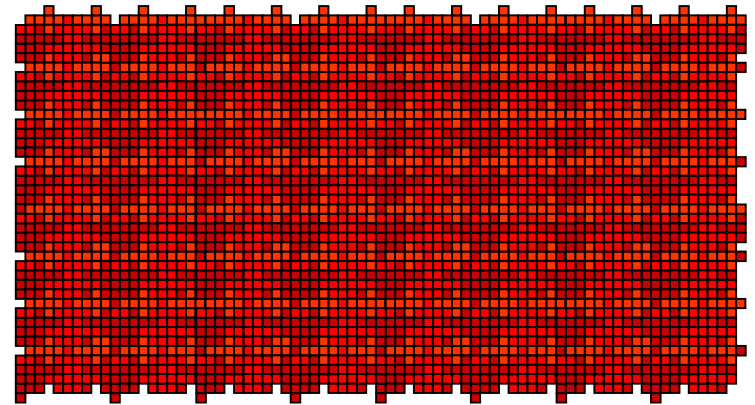
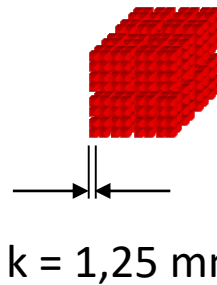
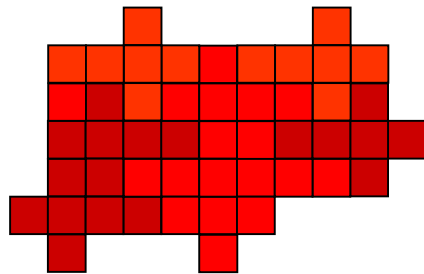
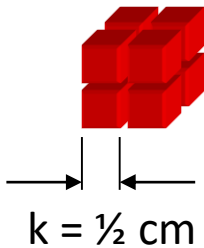


$V = 1 \text{ cm}^3$

$A = 12 \text{ cm}^2$

$V = 1 \text{ cm}^3$

$A = 48 \text{ cm}^2$



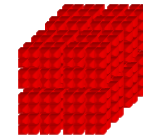
large interface between nanoparticles and matrix

► Thermodynamics in nanocomposites

- incompatibility polymer / inorganic filler (nanoparticle)

➔ agglomeration caused by **high interfacial free energy**

➔ large interface particle / matrix in case of nanoparticles ←



- **approach: minimisation of the interfacial free energy**

by tailored surface modification of the nanoparticles

= **compatibilisation**



homogeneous distribution of the nanoparticles over the matrix

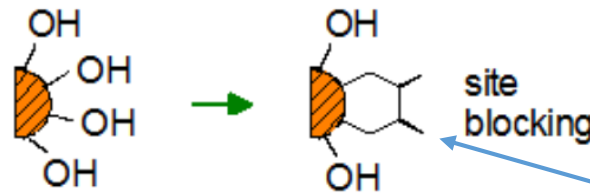
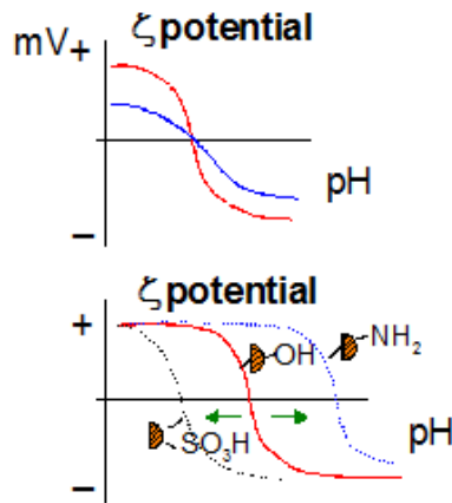
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effective use of the intrinsic solid state physical properties of the nanoparticles

▶ particle synthesis bottom-up from liquids

• chemically controlled precipitation process

- control of nucleation (ΔG_n , ΔG_D , σ_N)
- control of particle growth (ΔG_G , ΔG_D , σ_S)



point of zero charge

$$I = Ae^{-\frac{(\Delta G_n + \Delta G_D)}{kT}}$$

with

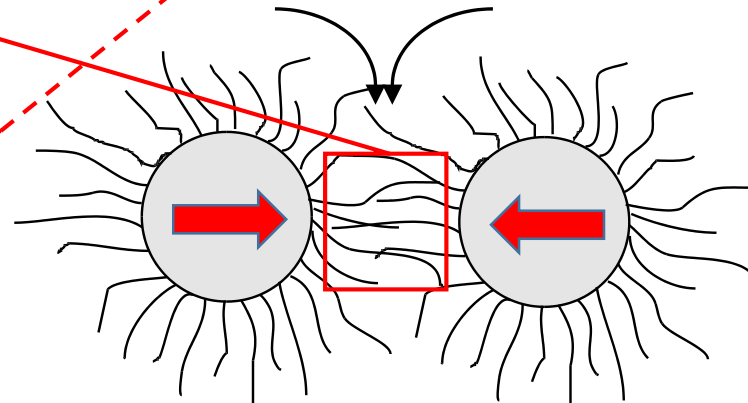
$$A = 2n_v v^{1/3} \frac{kT}{h} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{kT}}$$

➡ key point: control of electrostatic / steric / electro-steric stabilisation

▶ Principle of steric stabilisation

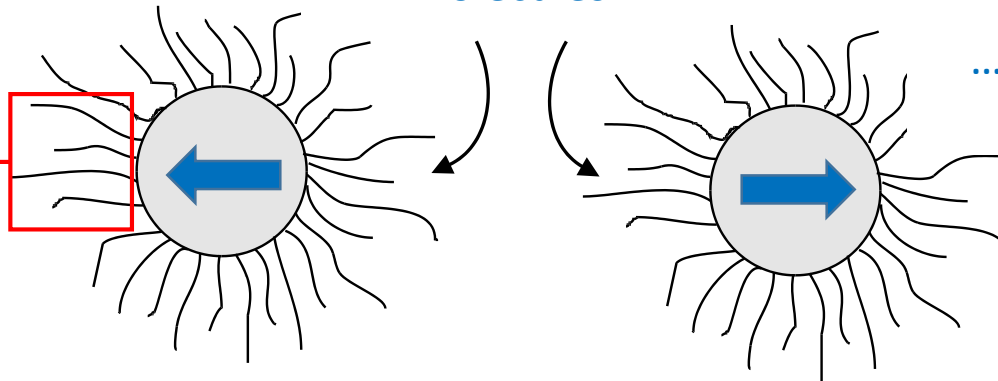
overlap of segments of stabilising polymer chains lead to:
increase of osmotic pressure (= driving force)

diffusion of solvent molecules



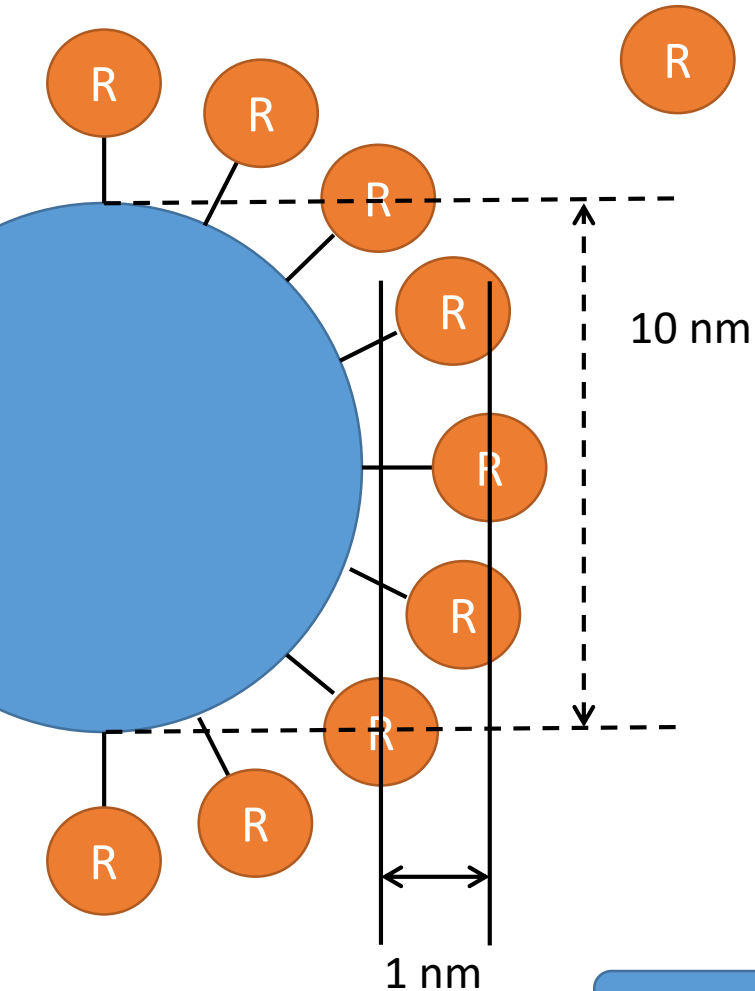
...if particles approach and tend to agglomerate...

diffusion of solvent molecules

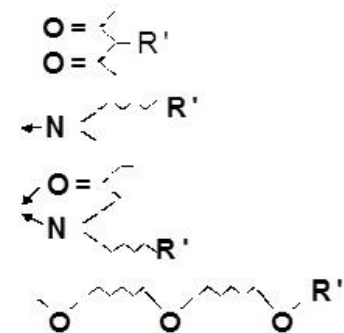
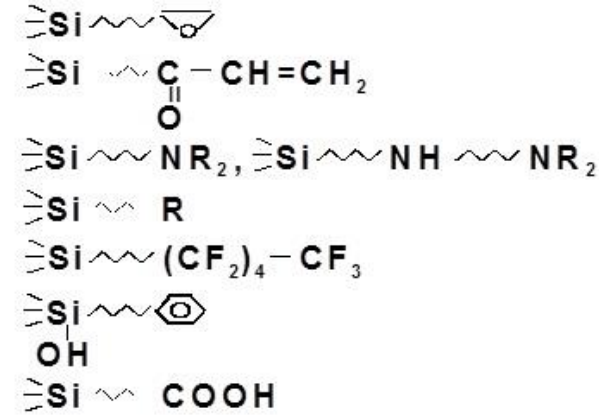


...solvent pushes them apart...

► Compatibilisation by surface modification

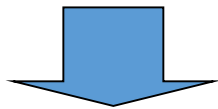
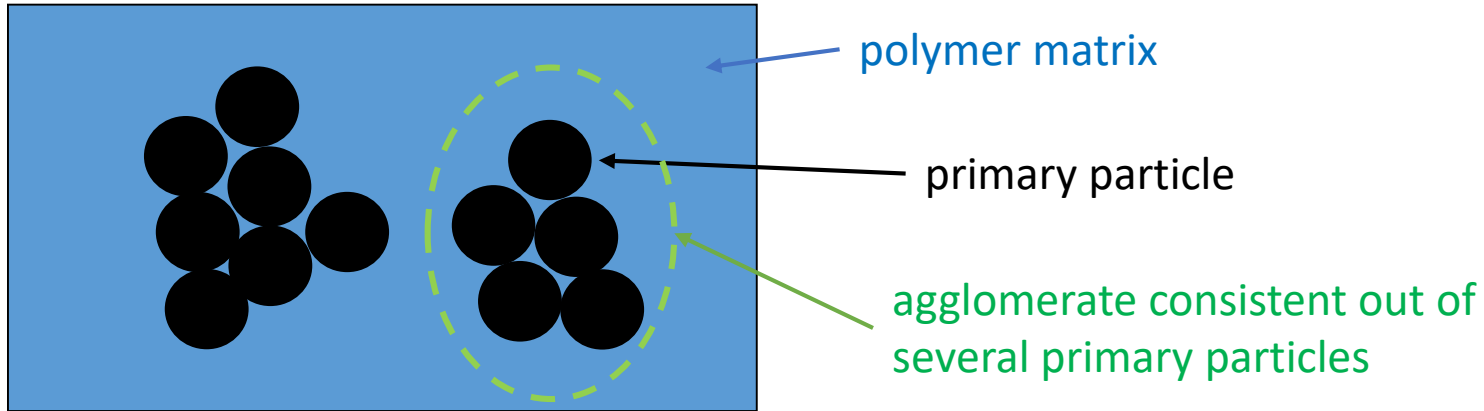


- silanes
 - acidic
 - basic
 - non reactive
 - polymerisable
 - polycondensable
 - adhesion
 - anti-adhesion
 - hydrophilic
 - hydrophobic
- β -di-ketones
- complexing agents
- chelating agents
- oligomers

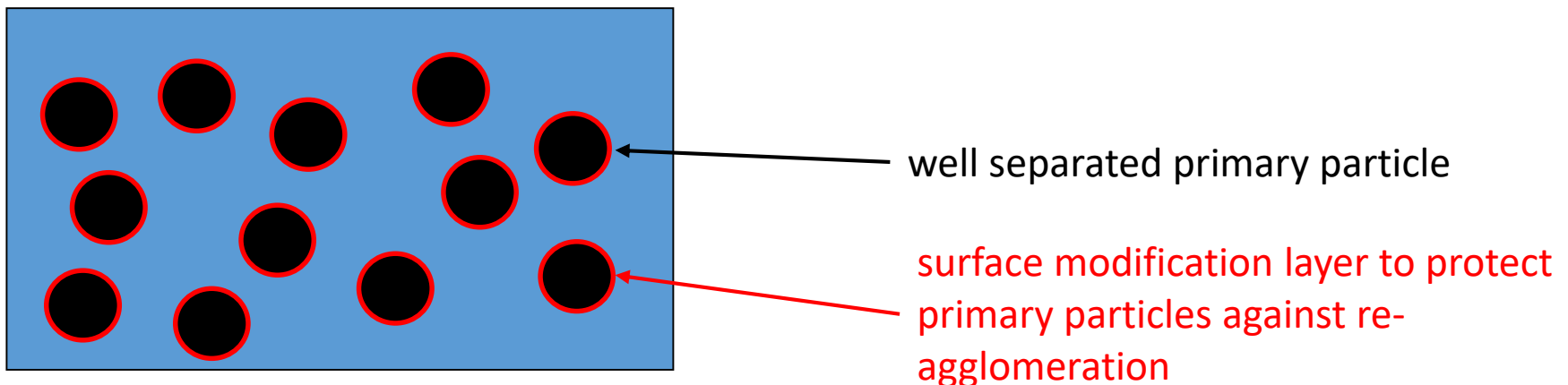


SMSM-principle: Small Molecule Surface Modification

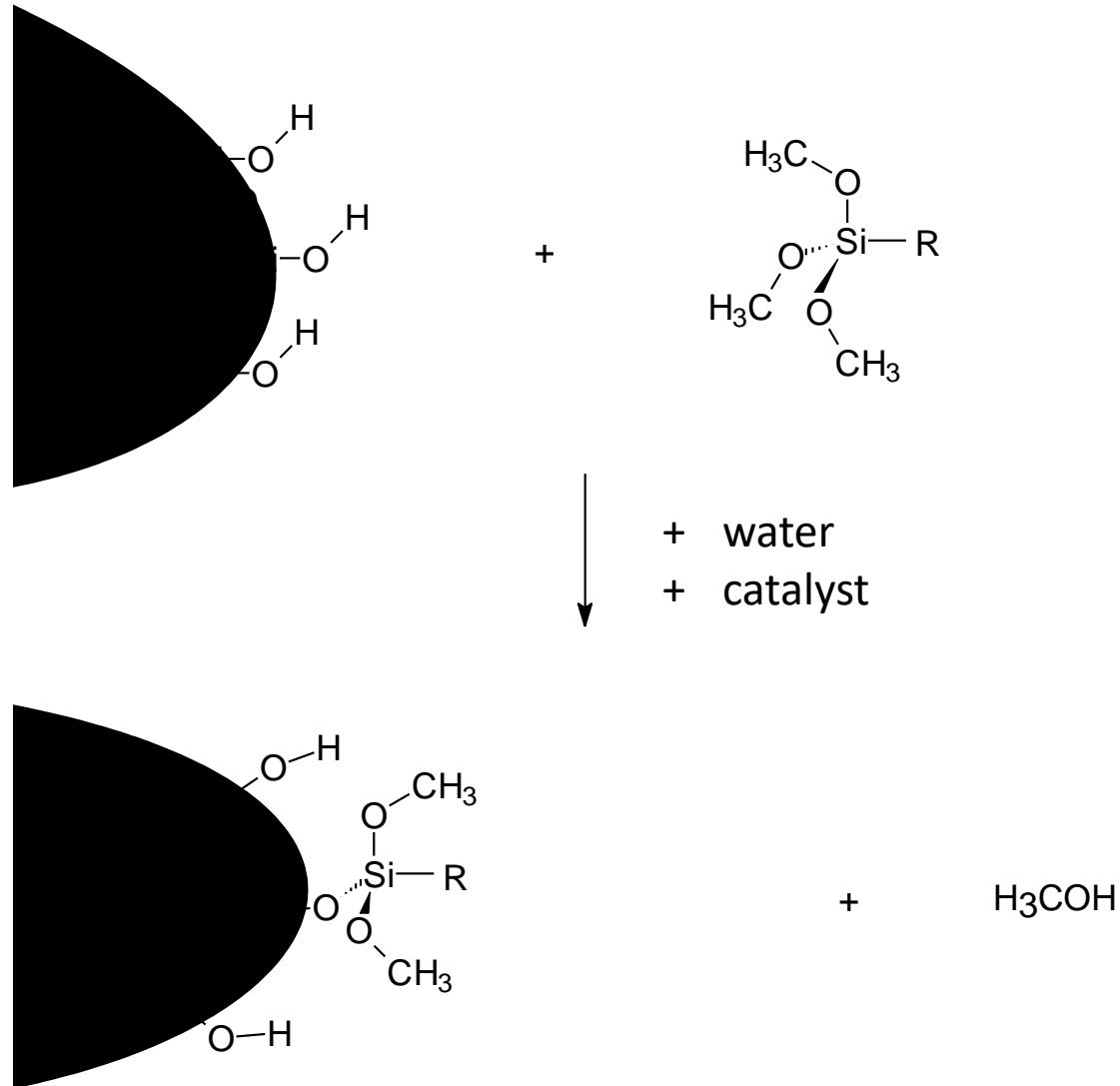
► Thermodynamics in nanocomposites



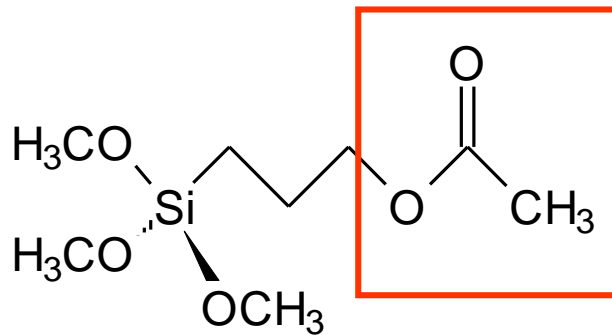
compatibilisation step to overcome the interaction forces between the primary particles (by smsm-principle)



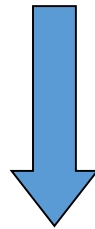
Specific surface modification of SiO₂ nanoparticles using alkoxy silanes



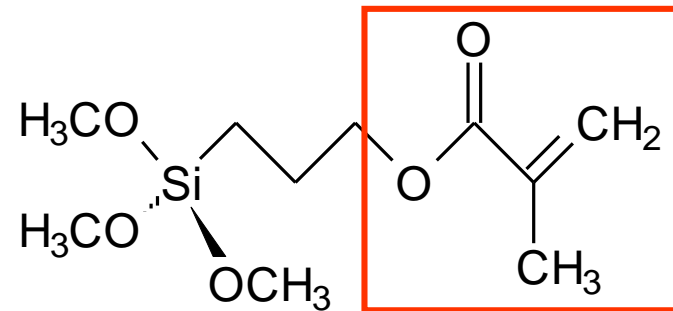
► Compatibilisation by surface modification of the SiO₂



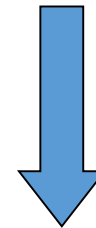
APTS



compatible



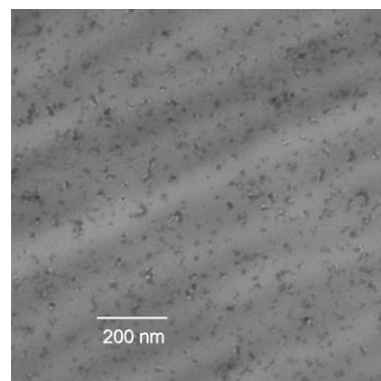
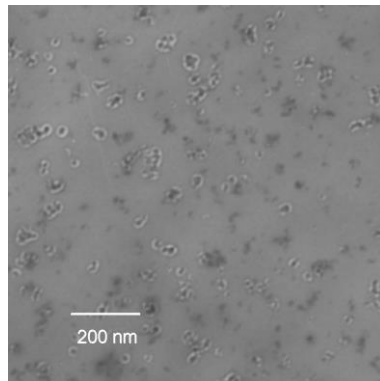
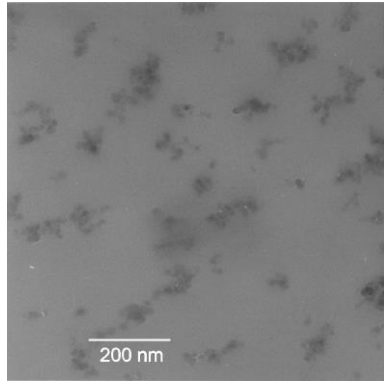
MPTS



compatible + polymerisable

TEM – analysis on ultramicrotomed specimen from PMMA / SiO₂ nanocomposites

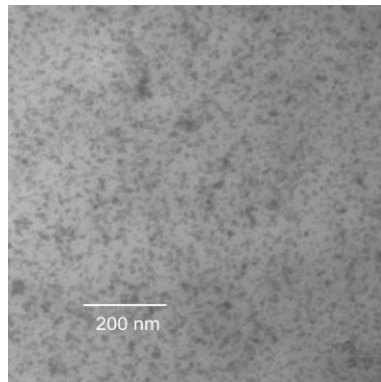
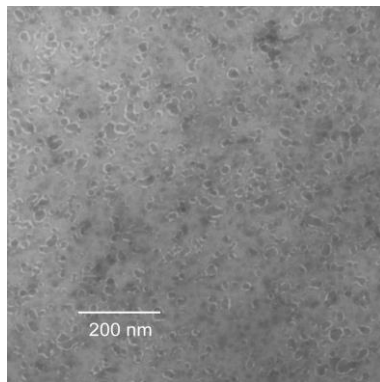
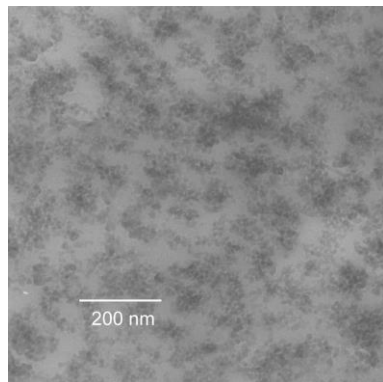
2 Vol.%



unmodified SiO₂

APTS / SiO₂

MPTS / SiO₂

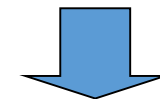


5 Vol.%

morphology on ultramicrotomed specimen

unmodified SiO₂:
agglomerates > 100 nm

APTS/MPTS – SiO₂:
agglomerates consisting of
2-3 primary particles
< 30 nm

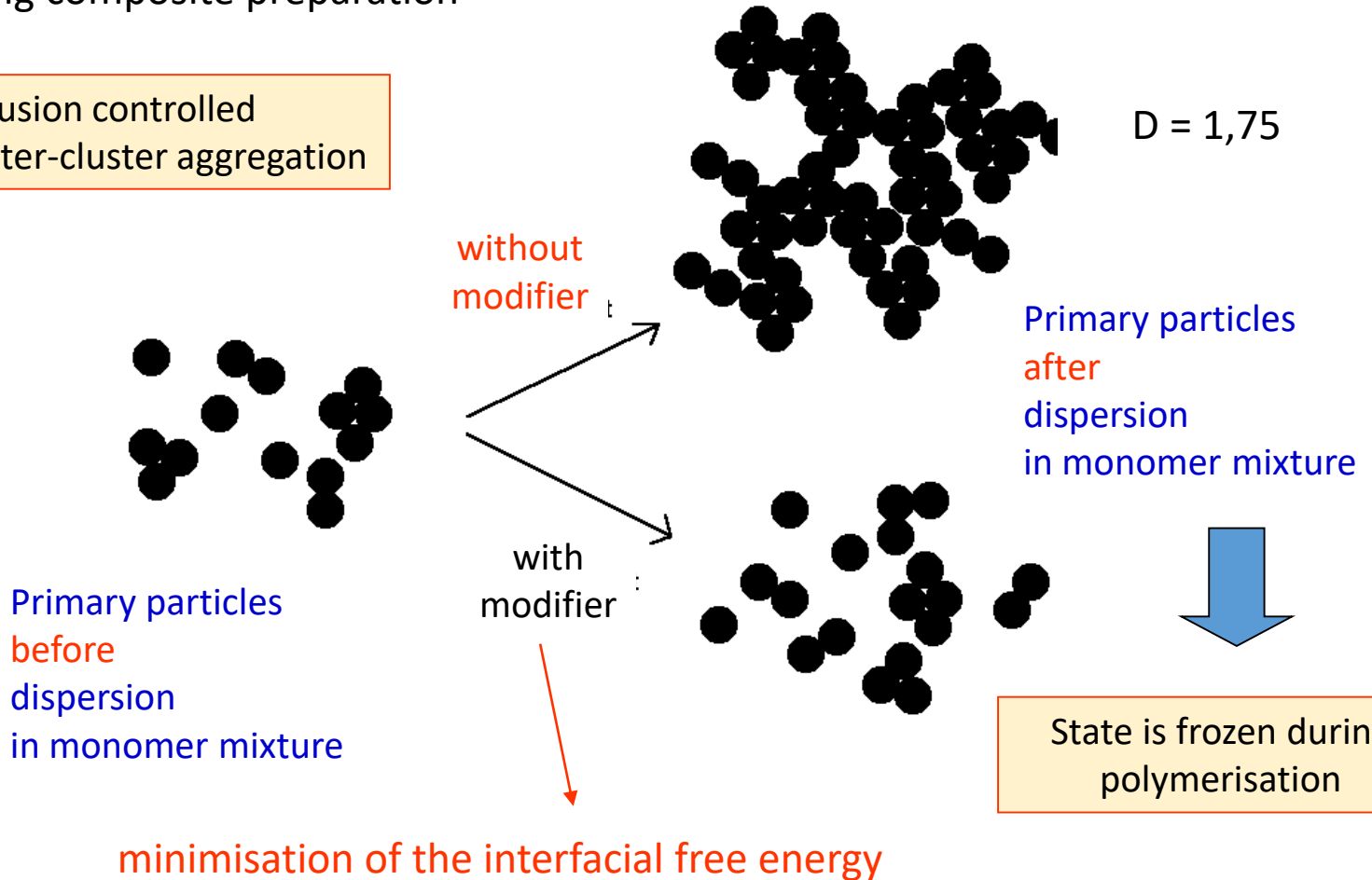


Compatibilisation
concept
= valuable

► Structural model after SAXS – analysis

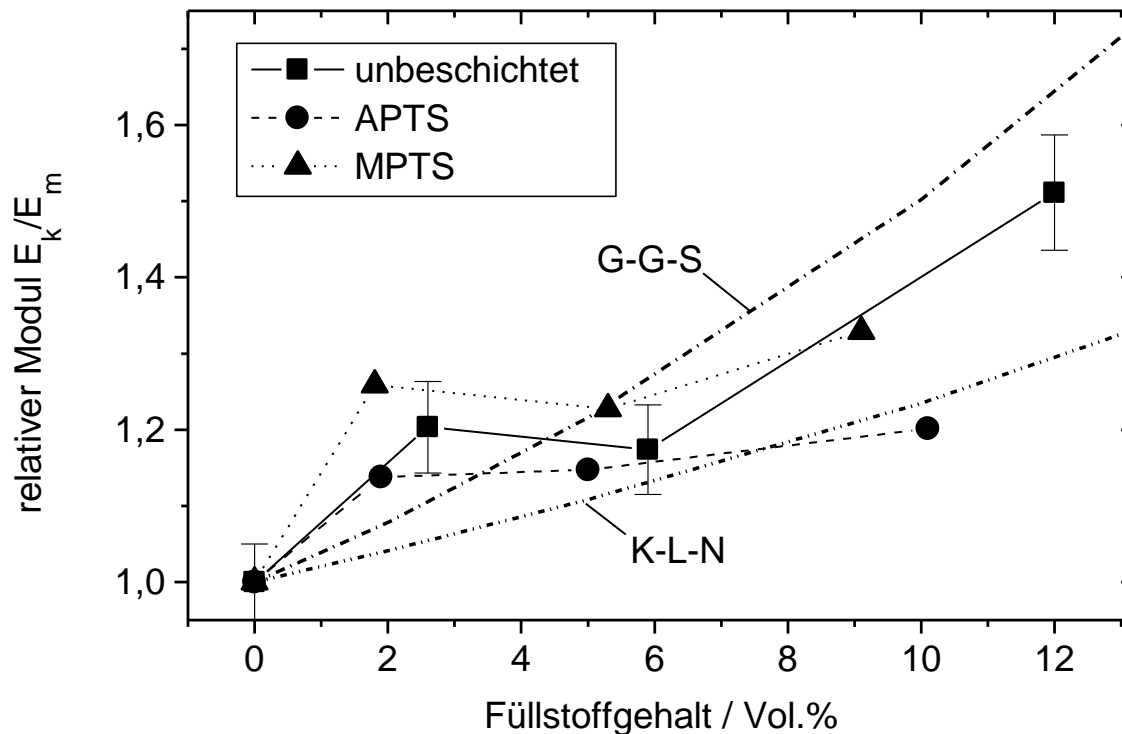
➔ Investigation of the agglomerate formation mechanism of the SiO₂ –particles
During composite preparation

Diffusion controlled
cluster-cluster aggregation



Elastic modulus of P(MMA-co-HEMA) / SiO₂ nanocomposites (3-point bending)

10 nm SiO₂ with different surface modification



➔ Elastic modulus according to classical mixing rules

Model calculations

G-G-S: Guth-Gold-Smallwood

$$E_K = E_M \left(1 + (1 + A) \frac{\phi}{\phi_{\max}} + 14,1 \phi^2 \right)$$

K-L-N: Kerner-Lewis-Nielsen

$$\frac{G_K}{G_M} = \frac{1 + AB\phi_F}{1 - B\psi\phi_F} \quad \text{with}$$

$$B = \frac{(G_F / G_M) - 1}{(G_F / G_M) + A} \quad \text{and}$$

$$\psi\phi_F = \left[1 + \left(\frac{1 - \phi_{\max}}{\phi_{\max}^2} \right) \phi_F \right] \phi_F$$

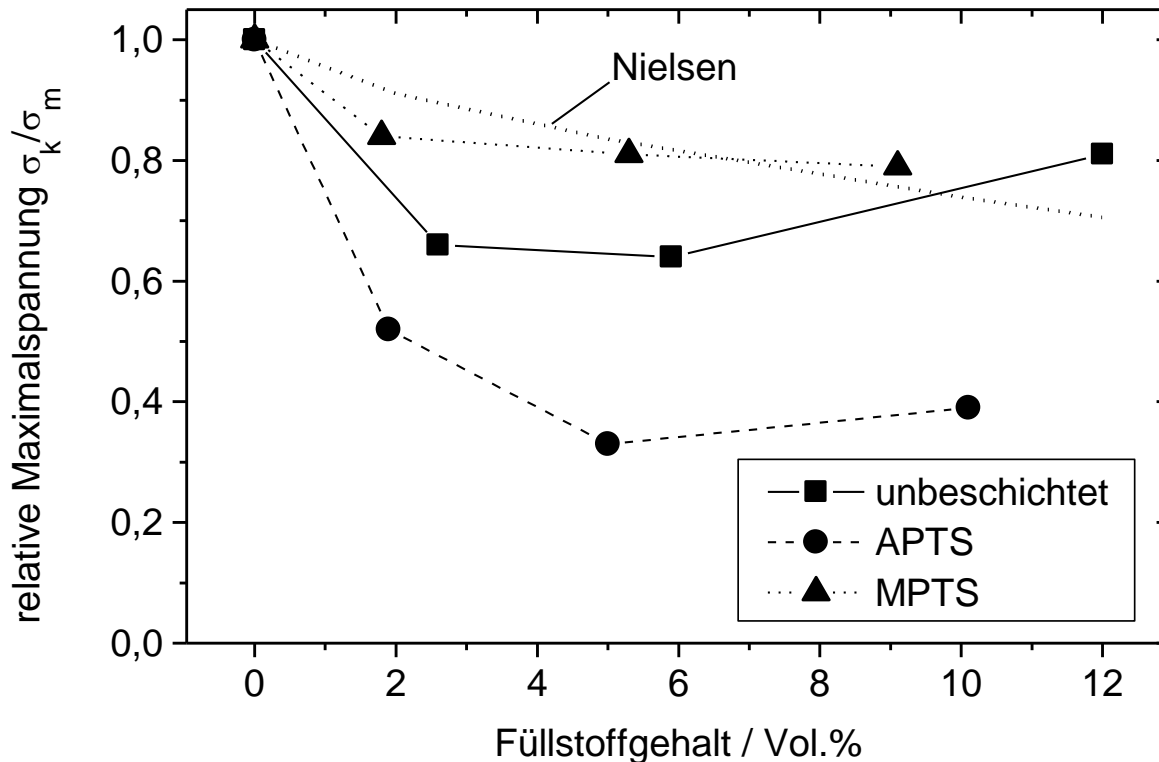
$$E = 2G (1 + \mu)$$

APTS: compatibilised

MPTS: chemical bonding

Maximum strength of P(MMA-co-HEMA) / SiO₂ nanocomposites (3-point bending)

10 nm SiO₂ with different surface modifications



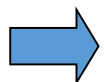
Model calculation

Nielsen theory

$$\frac{\sigma_K}{\sigma_M} = 1 - 1,21 \phi_F^{2/3}$$

APTS: compatibilised

MPTS: chemical bonding



Maximum strength for composites with crosslinked nanoparticles remains
On the same level as predicted for spherical particles

► Model calculation for strength of composites

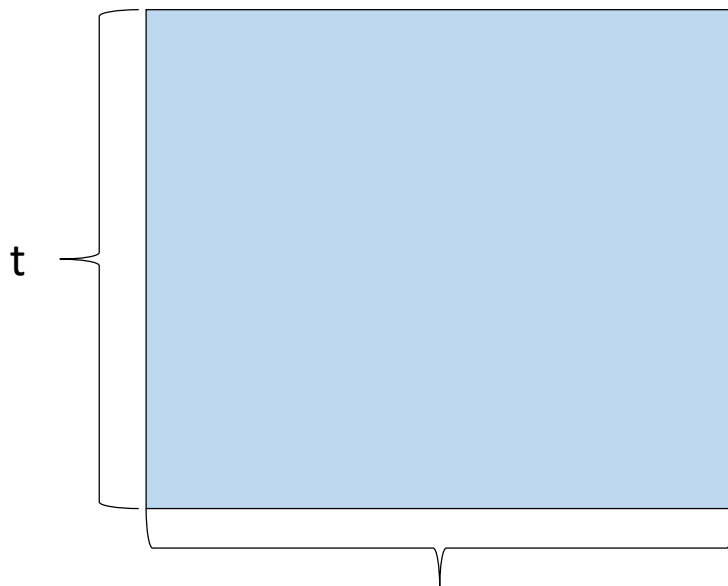
$$\frac{\sigma_C}{\sigma_M} = 1 - 1,21\phi_F^{2/3}$$

Nielsen model

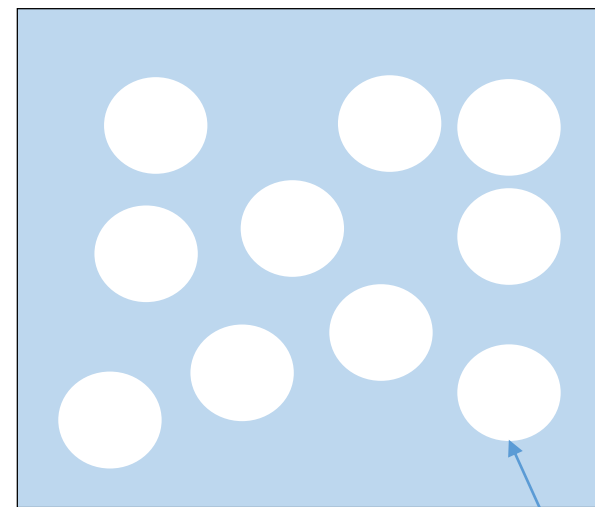
σ_C : maximum strength composite

σ_M : maximum strength matrix

reduction of load bearing cross-section by presence of spherical particles



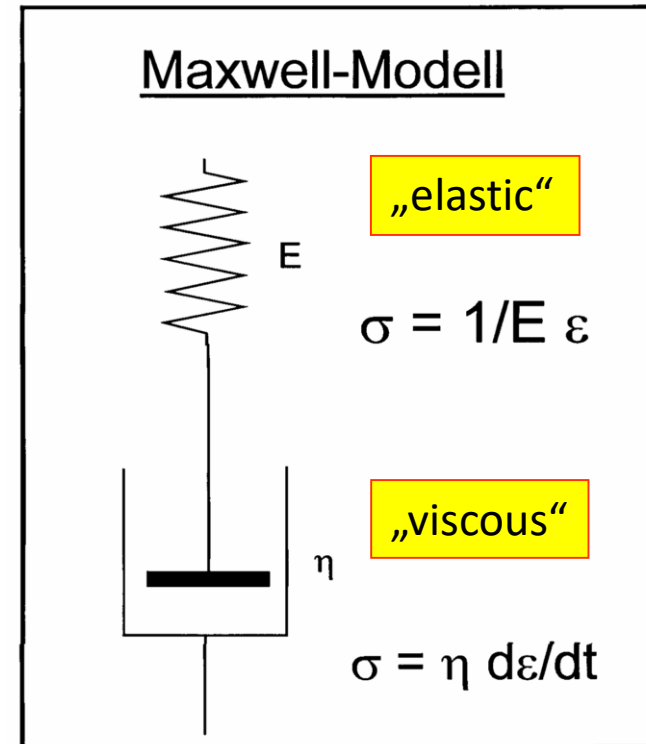
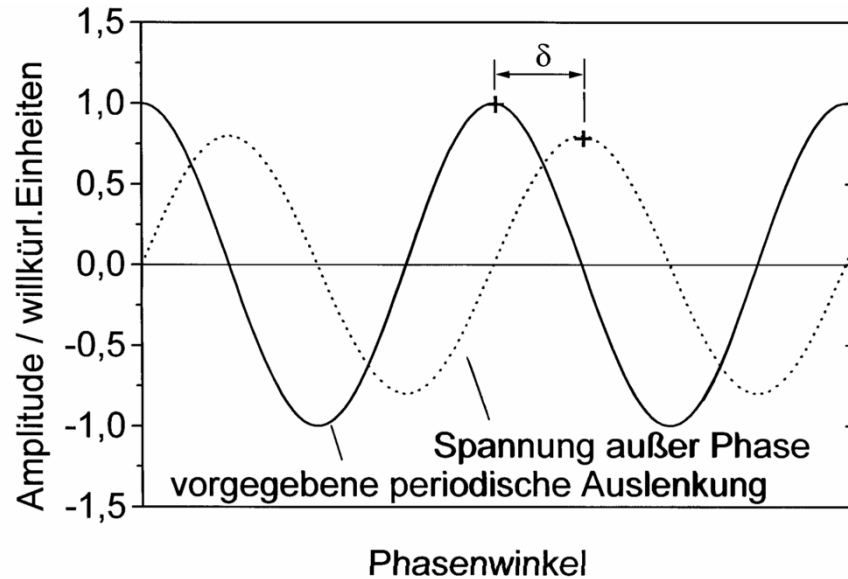
load bearing w
cross-section area = $(w * t)$



load bearing
cross-section area = $(w * t) - A_{\text{particles}}$

► Dynamic mechanical thermal analysis (DMTA): principle

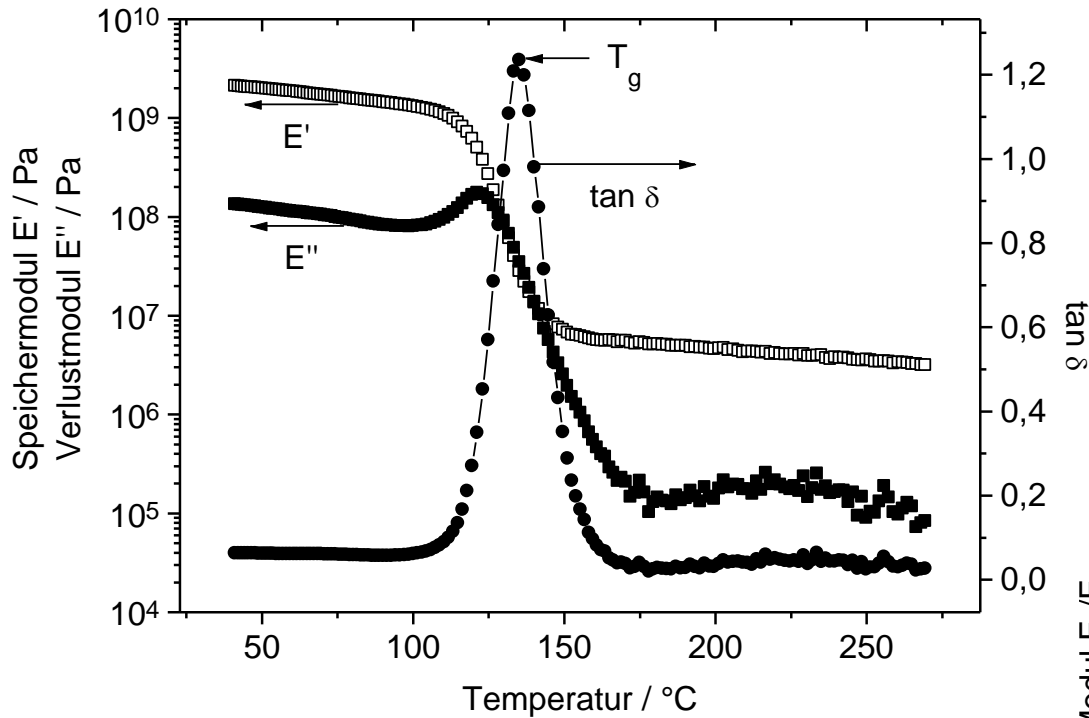
Polymers = visco – elastic materials



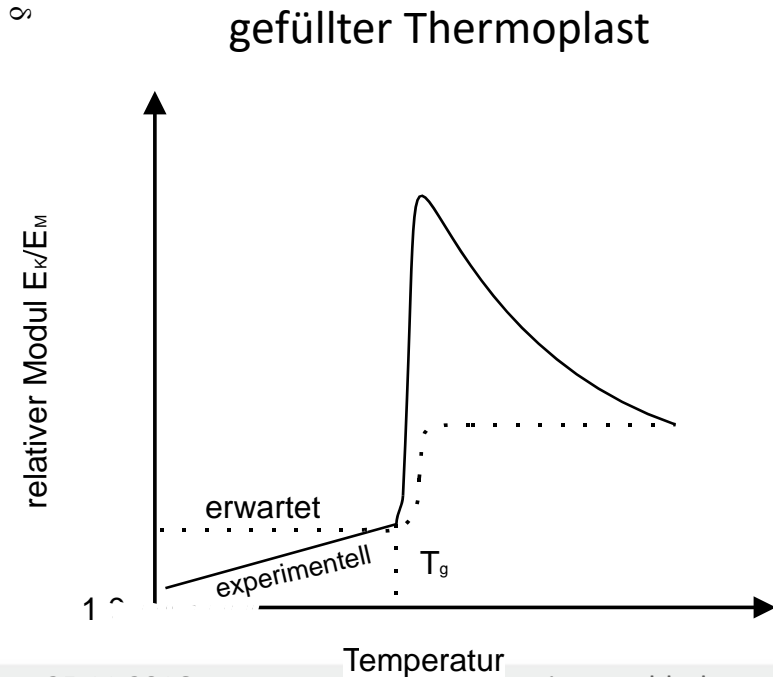
storage modulus E' : elastic components
 tan d: damping behaviour
 loss modulus E'' : viscous components

$$E'' = \tan \delta * E'$$

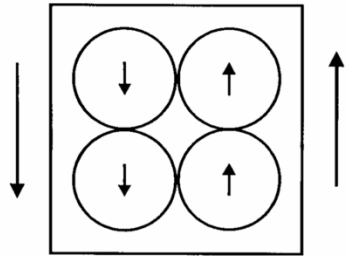
► Generelles dynamisch mechanisches Verhalten bei einem Thermoplasten (ungefüllt und gefüllt)



ungefülltes Polymethylmethacrylat (PMMA)

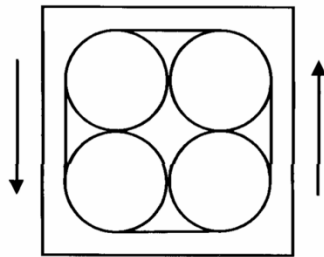


Dynamic mechanical thermal analysis (DMTA) for polymers filled with particles



Below T_g

flexible agglomerates



above T_g

rigid agglomerates

relative storage modulus

$$E'_{\text{rel}} = E'_{\text{Komposit}} / E'_{\text{Matrix}}$$

reduced mechanical damping

$$\Delta_{\text{red}} = \Delta / \Delta_M \phi_M$$

$$\Delta_{\text{red}} < 1$$

matrix =
immobilised

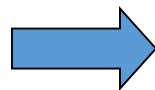
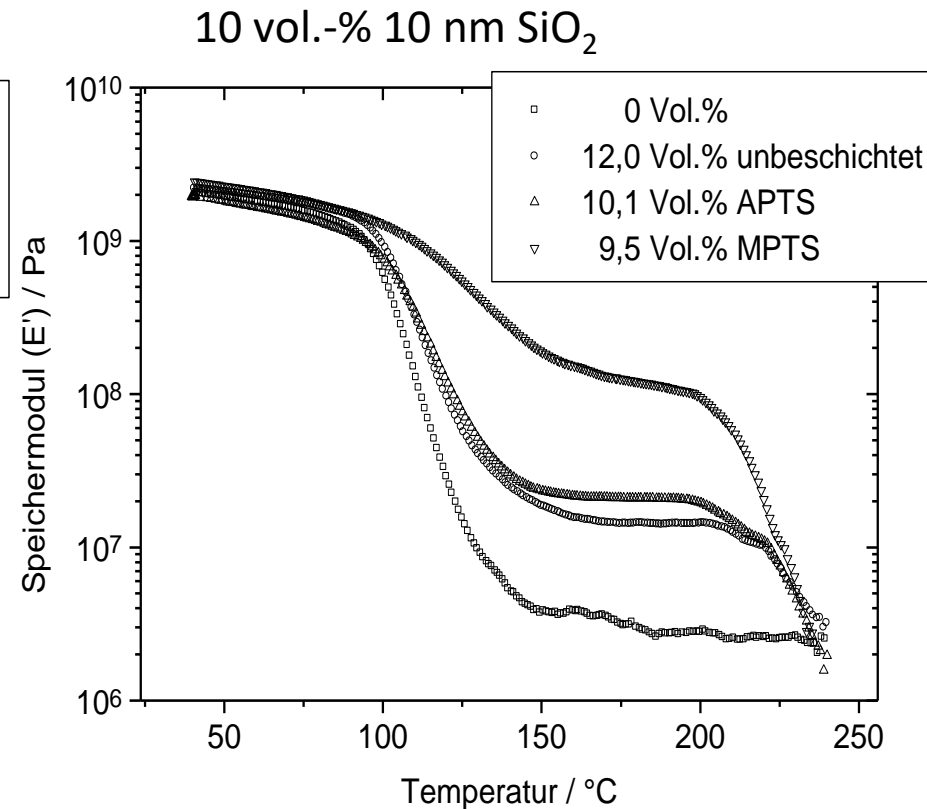
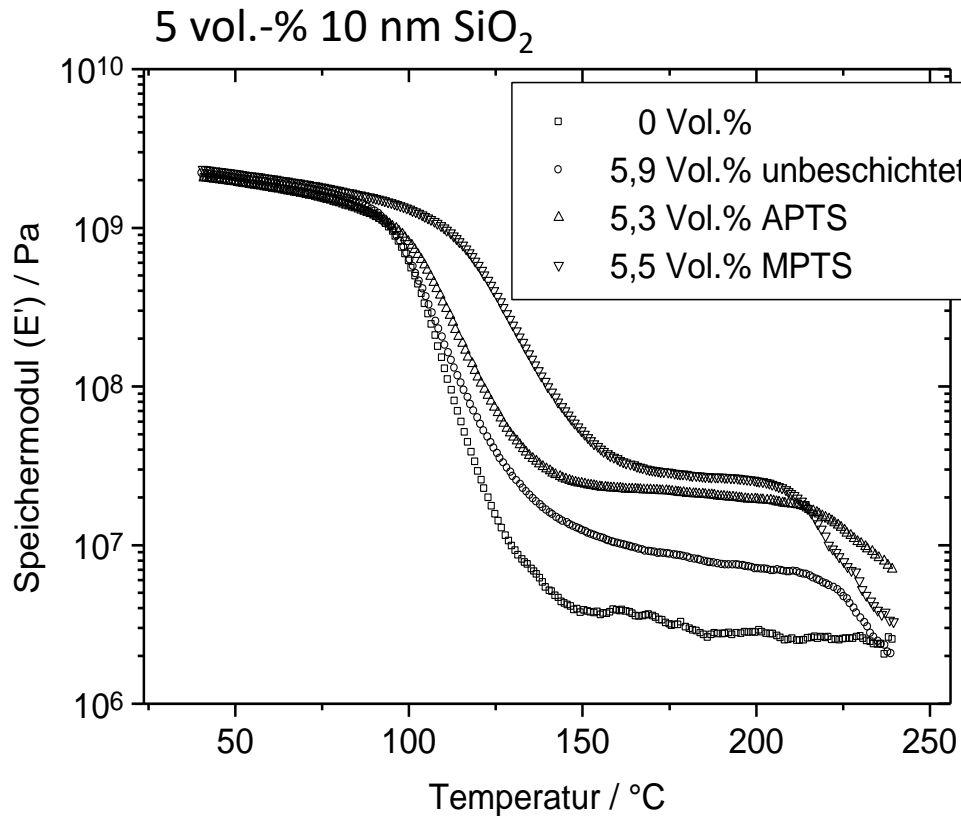
$$\Delta_{\text{red}} = 1$$

matrix = unaffected

$$\Delta_{\text{red}} > 1$$

additional damping
mechanisms

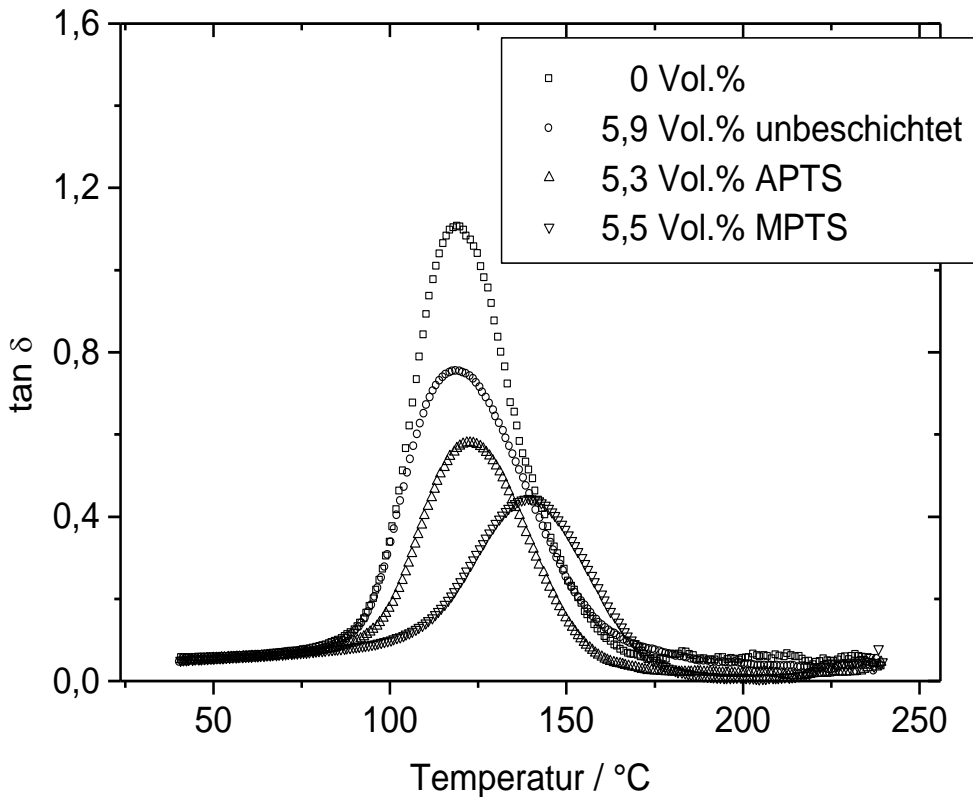
► Storage modulus E' from DMTA for P(MMA-co-HEMA) / SiO_2 - nanocomposites



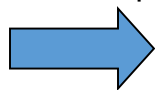
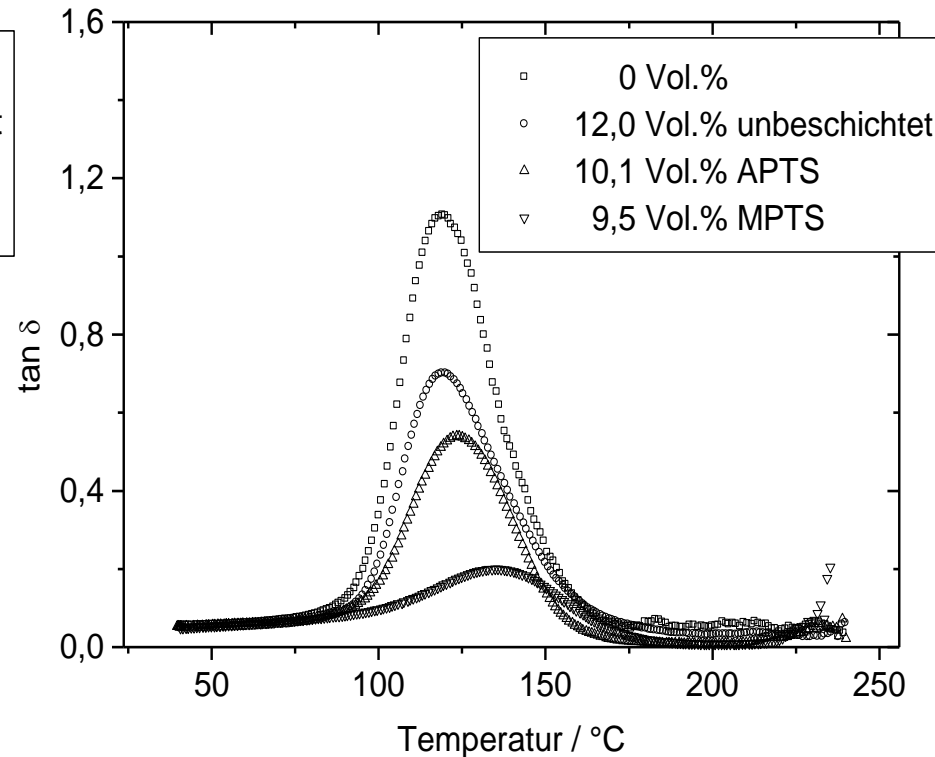
Significant rubbery plateau

Damping $\tan \delta$ from DMTA for P(MMA-co-HEMA) / SiO₂ - nanocomposites

5 vol.-% 10 nm SiO₂



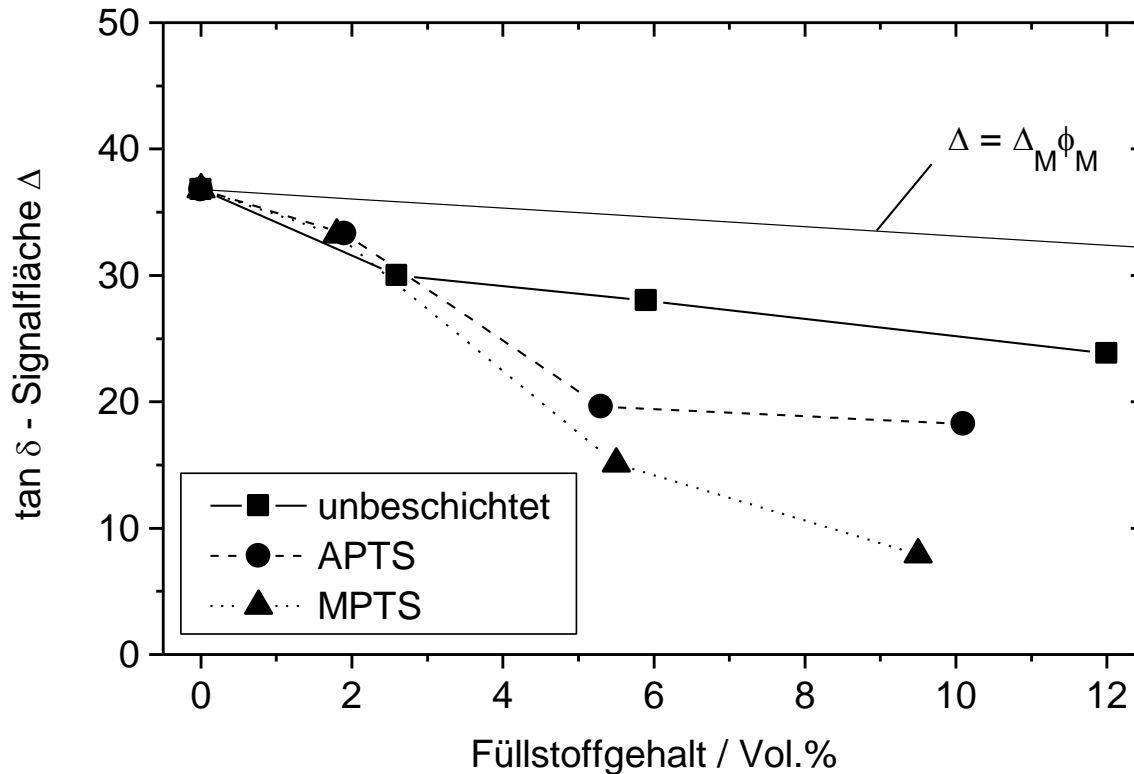
10 vol.-% 10 nm SiO₂



Strong cross linking tendency of the nanoparticles

Mechanical damping for P(MMA-co-HEMA) / SiO₂ - nanocomposites

10 nm SiO₂ with different surface modifications



➔ Significant decrease of damping behaviour if particles are well dispersed and carry bonding sites

Model calculation

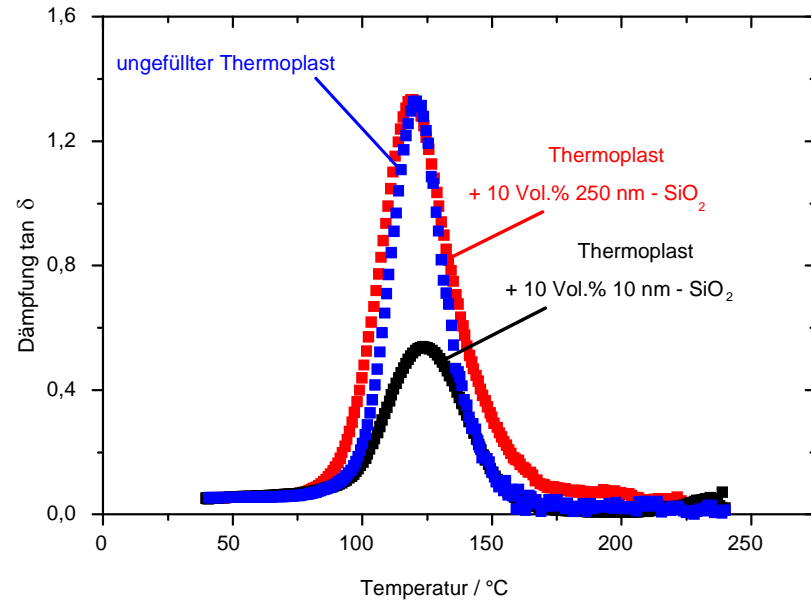
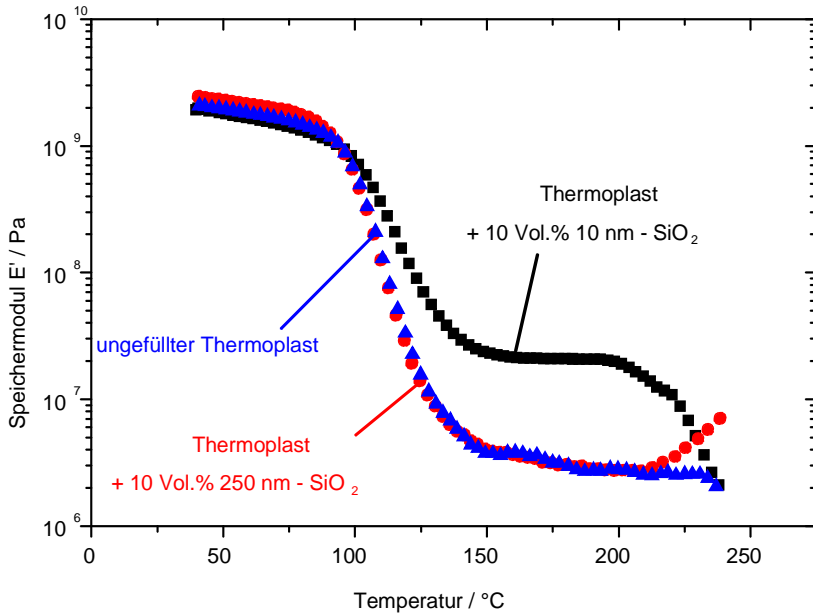
Δ: simple mixing rule

APTS: compatibilised
MPTS: chemical bonding

➔ Indications for immobilised polymer matrix

Information about the interface in polymer matrix nanocomposites ?

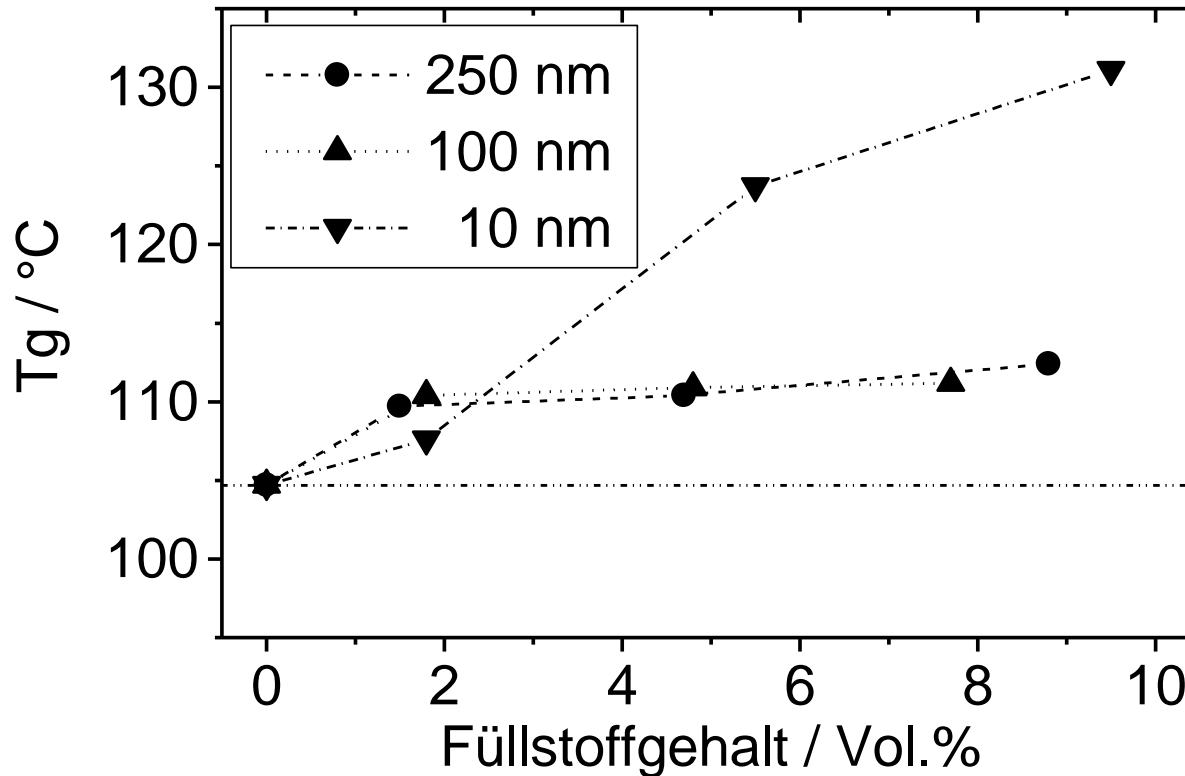
Dynamic mechanical thermal analysis (DMTA)



particle size 250 nm: matrix almost unaffected (small interfacial layer)

particle size 10 nm: interfacial layer with immobilised macromolecules on the large particle / matrix interface significantly affects the thermomechanical behaviour

► Tg – behaviour P(MMA-co-HEMA) – nanocomposites containing SiO₂ – particles with different particle size



Particle size 10 nm: significant increase of Tg

Potential: Plastics with increased temperature stability

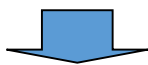
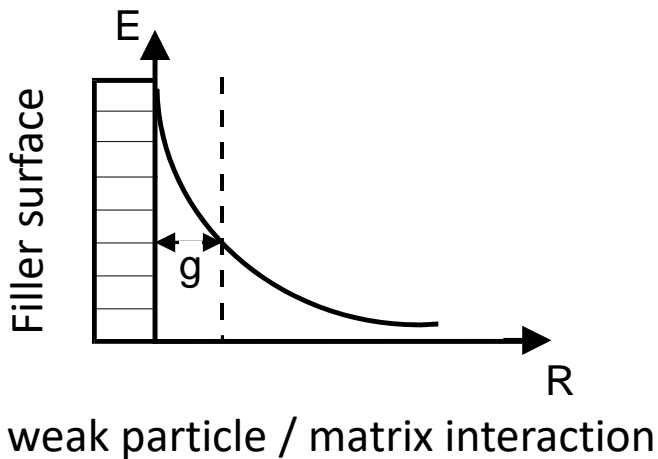
► Morphology and glass transition temperature

requirement: precise determination of the glass transition temperature

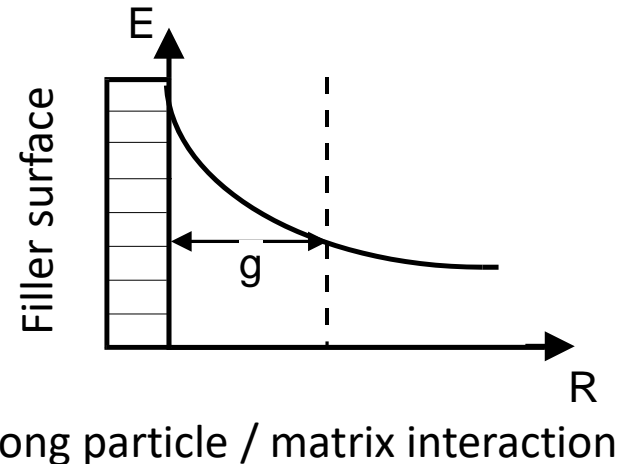
Glass transition temperature

= indicator of the change in the thermodynamic properties of the polymer matrix in presence of the filler particles

Energy distribution of the polymer molecules close to the particle surface



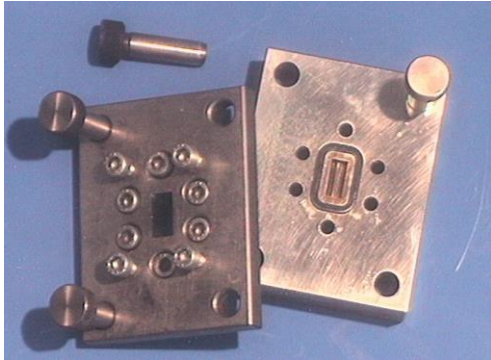
T_g almost unaffected



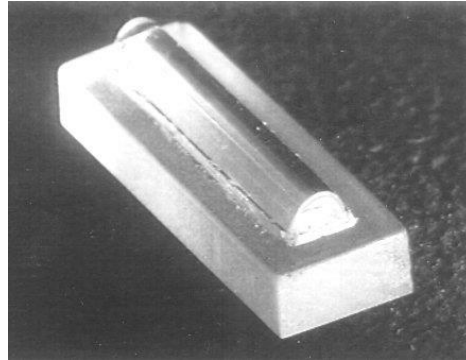
T_g ↑ (hindered chain mobility)

▶ Optical components from Nanomers

Aspheric Laser focusing lenses

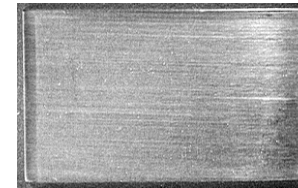


mould for cylindrical lens

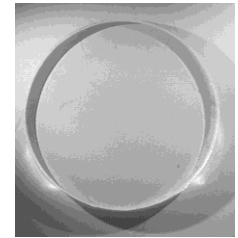


Nanomer lens

after 250 cycles steel wool test



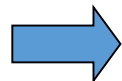
PMMA



Nanomer



Tailor able optical, mechanical and thermal properties

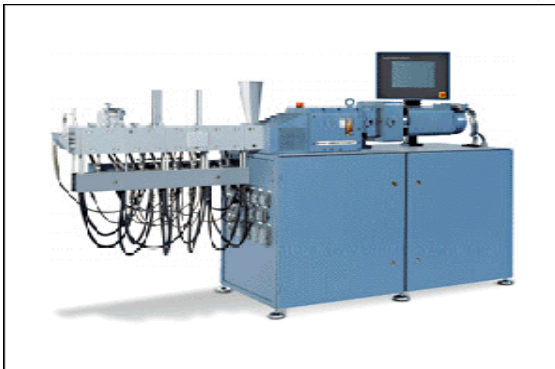
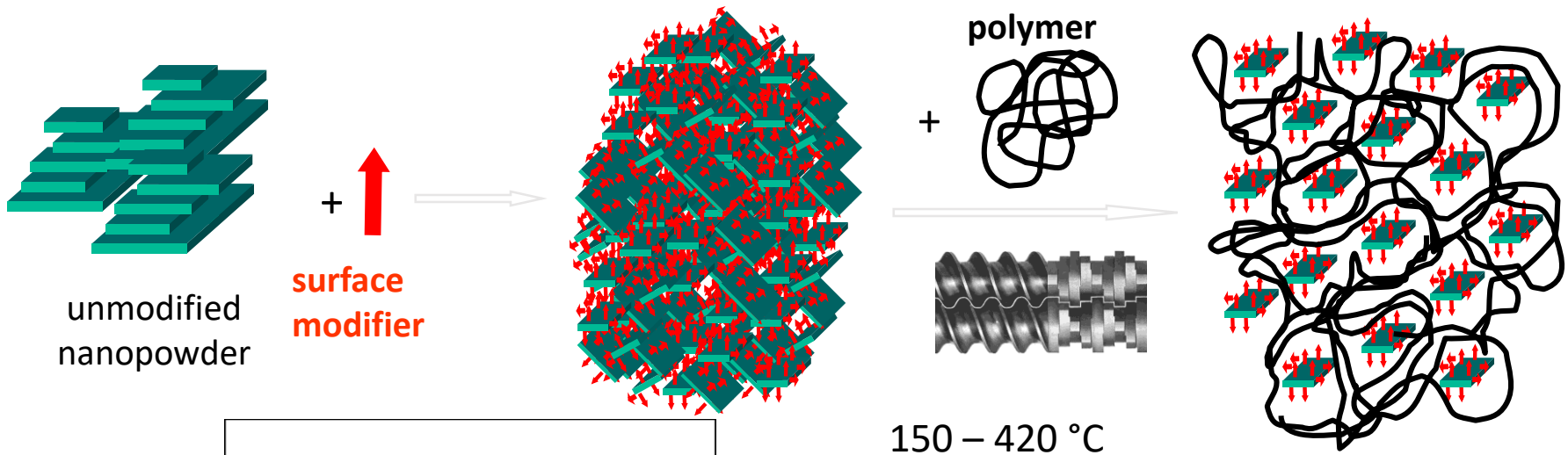


High precision moulding process (replication) at low cost

Polymer matrix nanocomposites by compounding (twin screw extruder)

Nanopowder with surface modification:

Interfacial free energy between nanoparticles can be overcome by the shear forces of the extruder



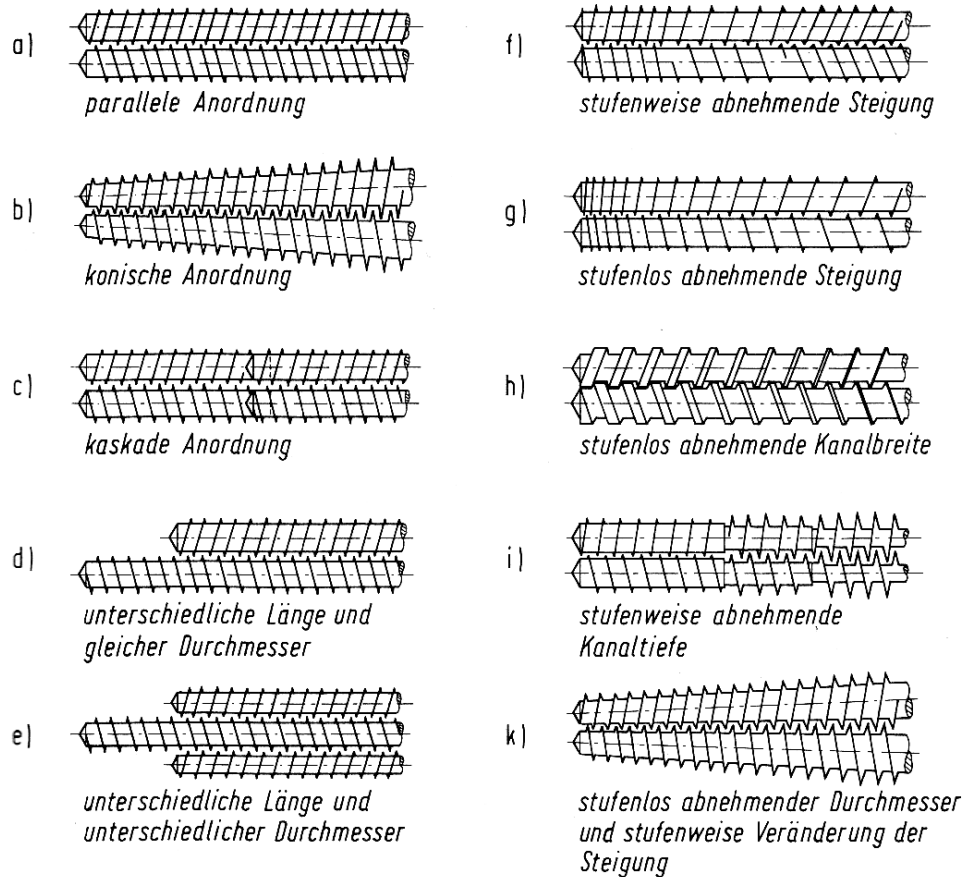


Bild 3.67. Anordnungen und Geometrien von Doppelschnecken

...für jedes Dispergierproblem
eine technische Lösung

▶ Compounding techniques at INM



kneader



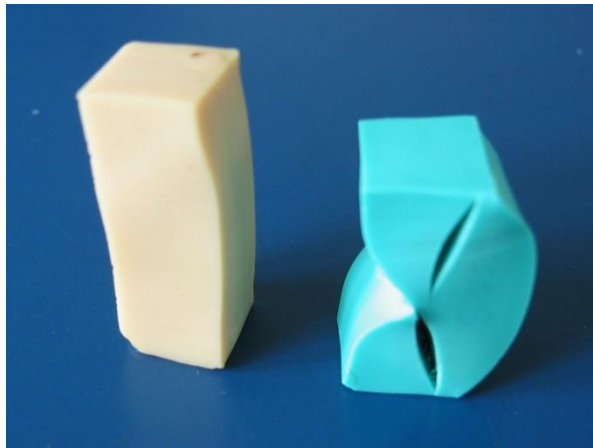
single screw extruder

foil extruder



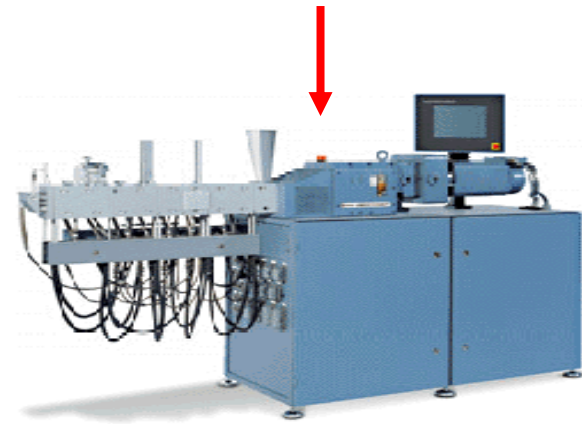
► Polymermatrix nanocomposites

thermoplastic nanocomposites by compounding



PU specimen
+ 5 wt.% 8 nm-ZrO₂

PU specimen
unfilled



pressure experiment: 100 MPa at 23 °C

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- isotropic properties via spherical ZrO₂ nanoparticles
- strong reinforcement at low degrees of filling

▶ Further properties of compounds

Magnetic nanocomposites



Injection moulded part
polypropylene with
1 wt.-%
 Fe_2O_3 -nanoparticles

Potential:

Heating of polymers
„Disbond on command“
„Polymerisation on command“

IR - absorbing nanocomposites



PC - nanocomposite + 0,8 wt.-% ITO
(foil thickness: 1 mm)

System	TLT [%]	TSET [%]
Polycarbonat	86,3	83,6
PC / ITO (0,8Gew%)	68	45

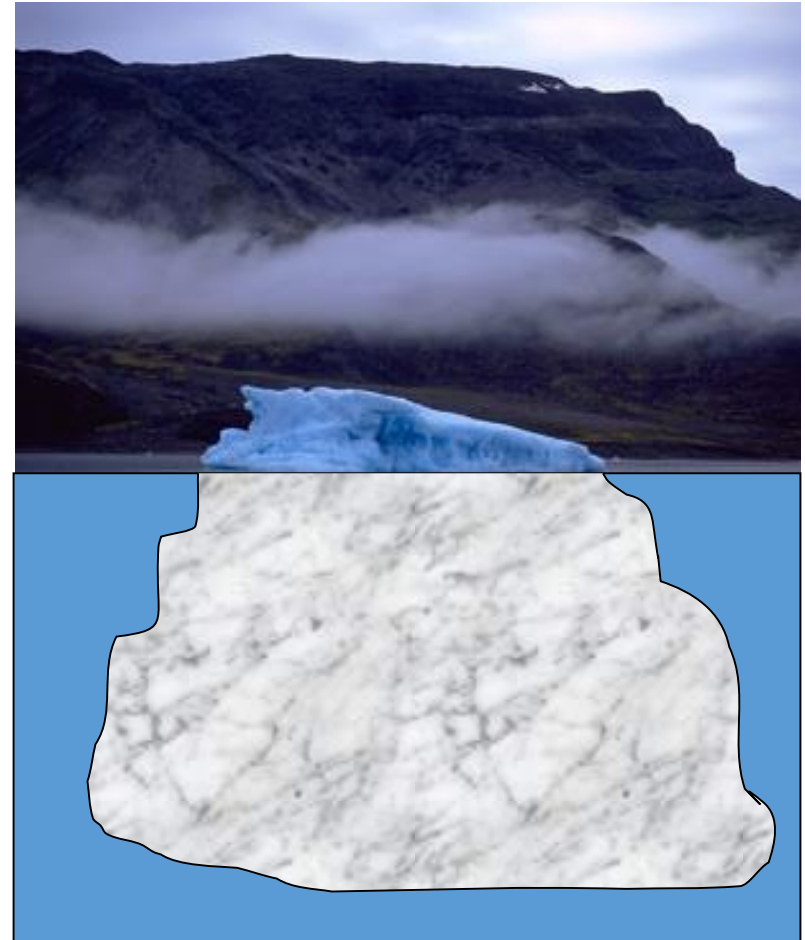
→ Fulfills requirements for automotive
IR-protective glass

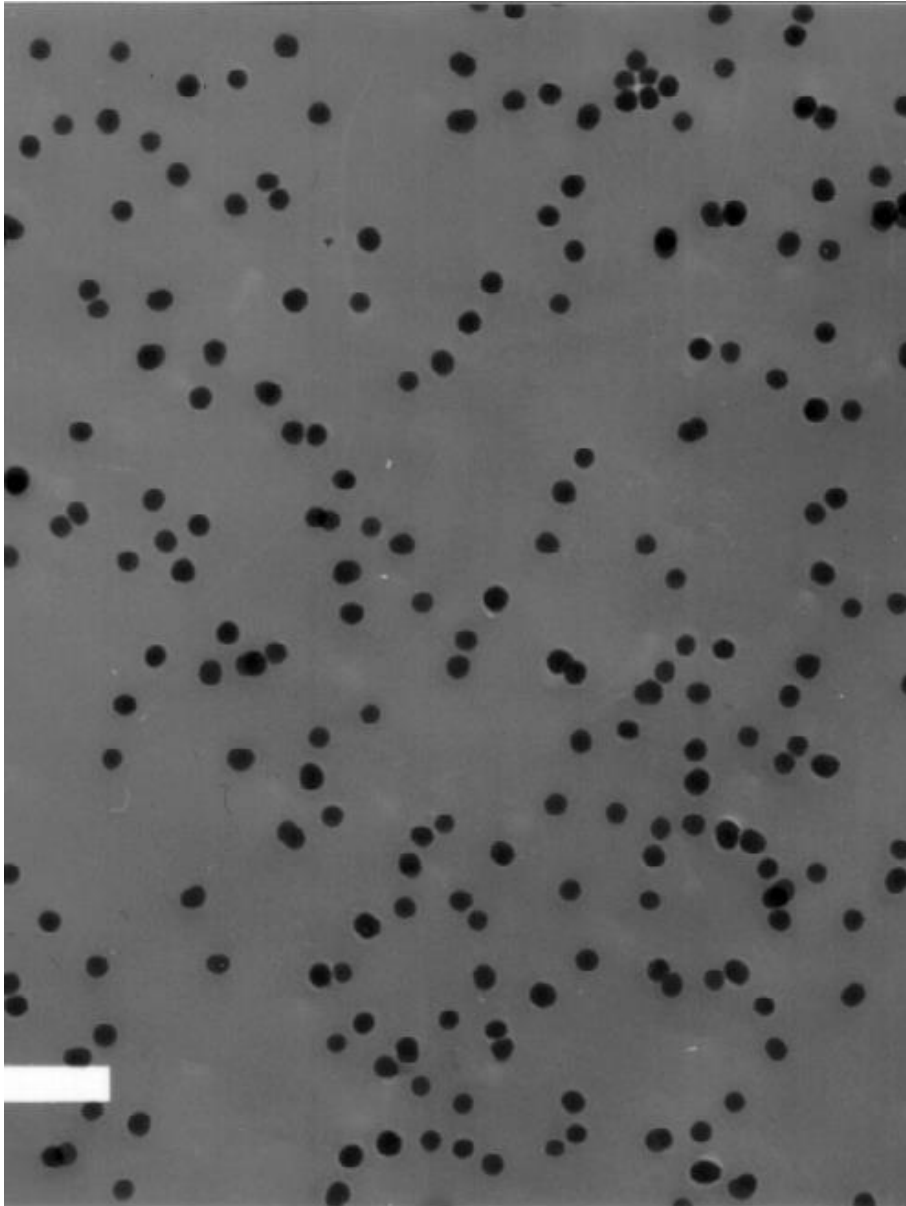
TLT: Total Luminous Transmittance


TSET: Total Solar Energy Transmittance

► Schlussfolgerungen, Ausblick

- Chemischer Ansatz zu (Nano)Kompositen bietet viele Variationsmöglichkeiten um Materialeigenschaften einzustellen
- Verbessertes Verständnis des Versagens- und Mikrodeformationsverhaltens nach wie vor wünschenswert
- Multiphasen-Komposite lassen ungewöhnliche visko-elastische Eigenschaften erwarten (Smarte Komposite)
- Jede Menge Potential für Anwendungen vorhanden





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