

Leading Thermal Analysis ■

Specificity of Kinetic Modelling and Process Optimization for curing reactions

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Production process: Curing

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adhesives, resins, paints, coating, from microchips and automotive to wind power stations

How to make the best painting in shortest time?

What happens during curing process?

How to reduce costs during production?

What is the **final state** of the epoxy after given **time** at given **temperature**?



Photos

<http://www.businesskorea.co.kr/news/articleView.html?idxno=14620>

<http://www.swada.co.uk/applications/solvent-borne-paints-and-coatings/>

1. Experimental data
DSC, DEA

Instrument is necessary

2. Kinetics Analysis based on experimental data
Create kinetic model based on experimental data

Kinetics Neo

3. Validation of kinetics Model
Is the simulation in agreement with any existing isothermal data for this process?

Instrument and Kinetics Neo

4. Prediction or process optimization

Kinetics Neo



Reaction types for curing

I. Reaction types for curing reactions

- Bna – autocatalytical reacton of Prout-Tompkins

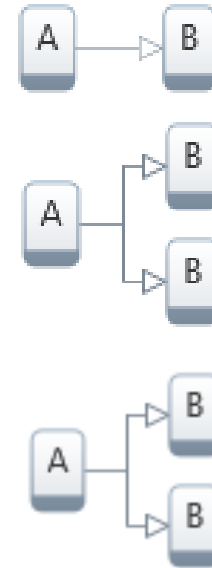
$$\frac{d\alpha}{dt} = A \cdot (1 - \alpha)^n \cdot \alpha^m \cdot \exp\left(\frac{-E_a}{RT}\right)$$

- Cmn – reaction of the n^{th} order with autocatalysis of m^{th} order by product

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dt} = A \cdot (1 - \alpha)^n \cdot (1 + K \alpha^m) \cdot \exp\left(\frac{-E_a}{RT}\right)$$

- Kamal-Sourour – two parallel reactions with the same reactant and same product;
one of them is the reaction of the n^{th} order, the second one is autocatalytical;
these two reactions have different activation energies

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dt} = A \cdot (1 - \alpha)^n \cdot \left[\exp\left(\frac{-E_{a1}}{RT}\right) + K \cdot \alpha^m \cdot \exp\left(\frac{-E_{a2}}{RT}\right) \right]$$



II. Reactions with several steps including different step directions

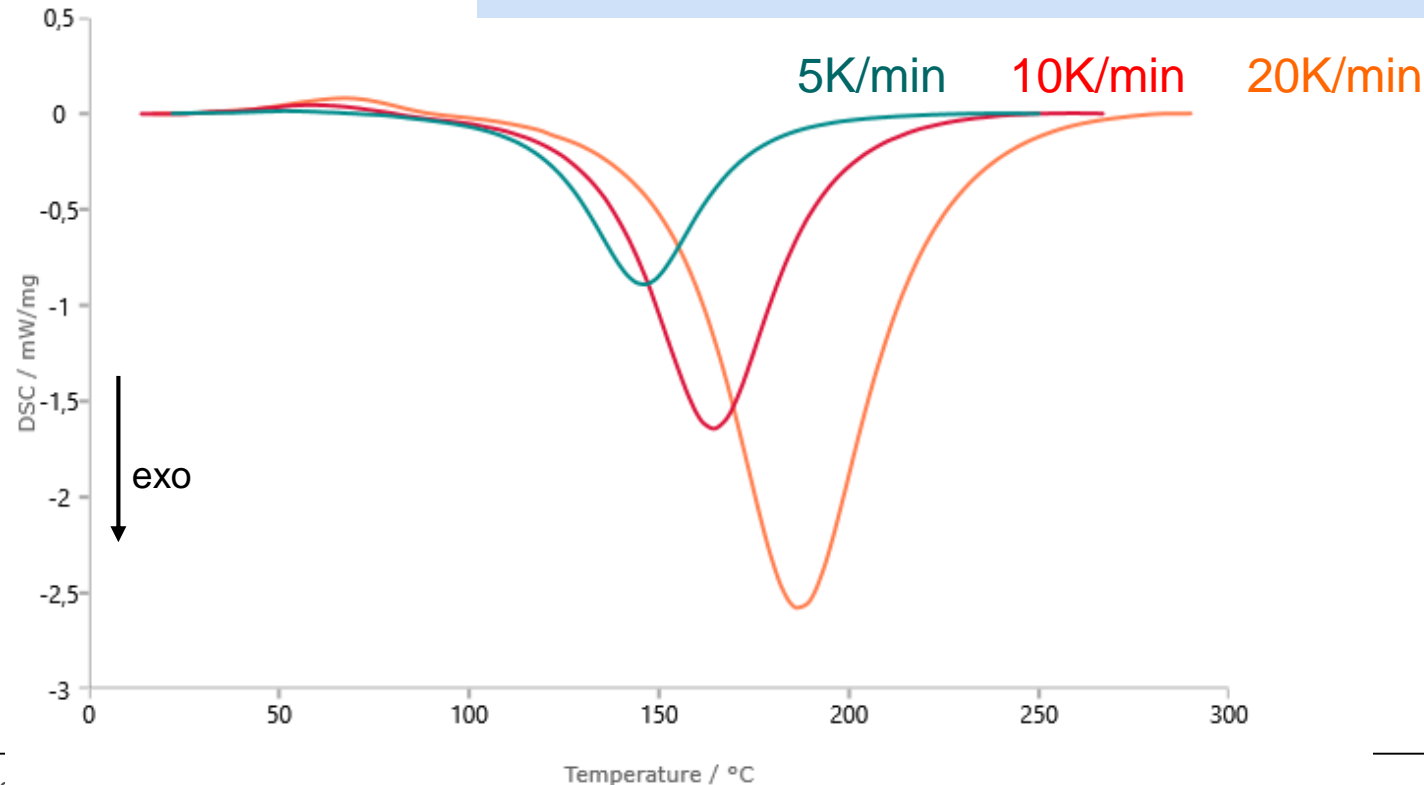
III. Reactions with diffusion control

- For curing reactions at the temperatures near glass transition temperature

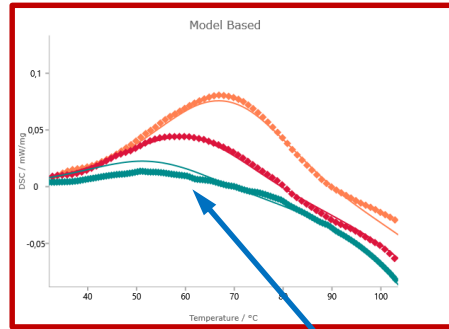


Different directions of reaction steps

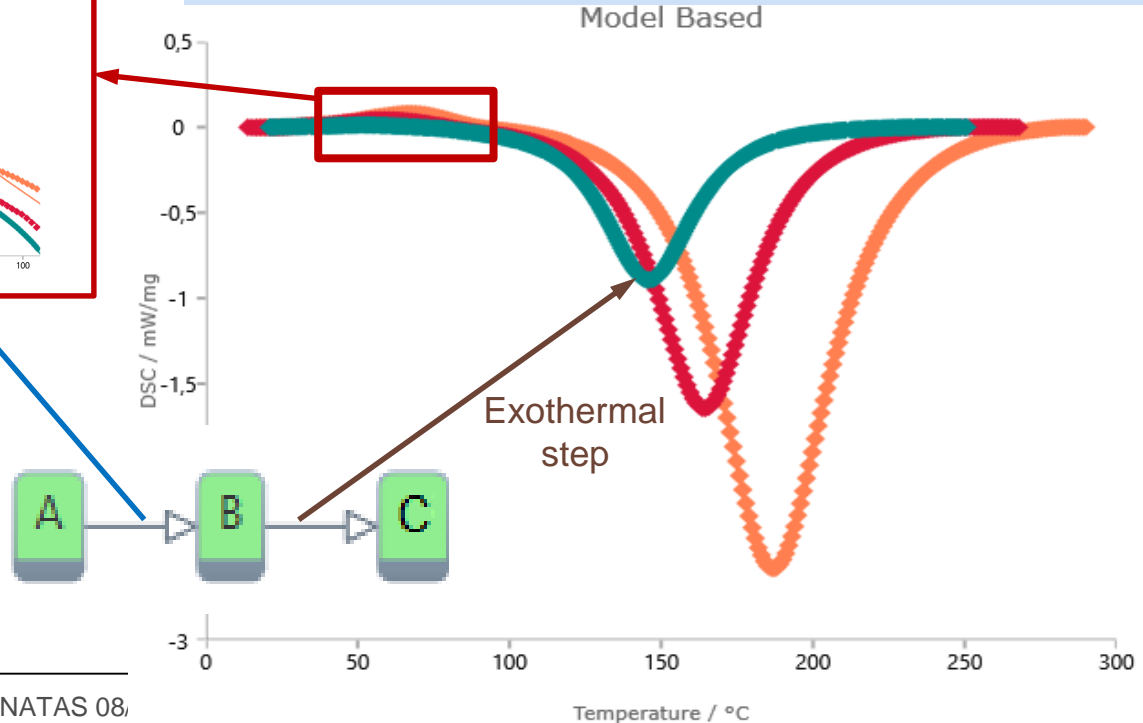
Differential scanning calorimetry



Use Models to understand processes



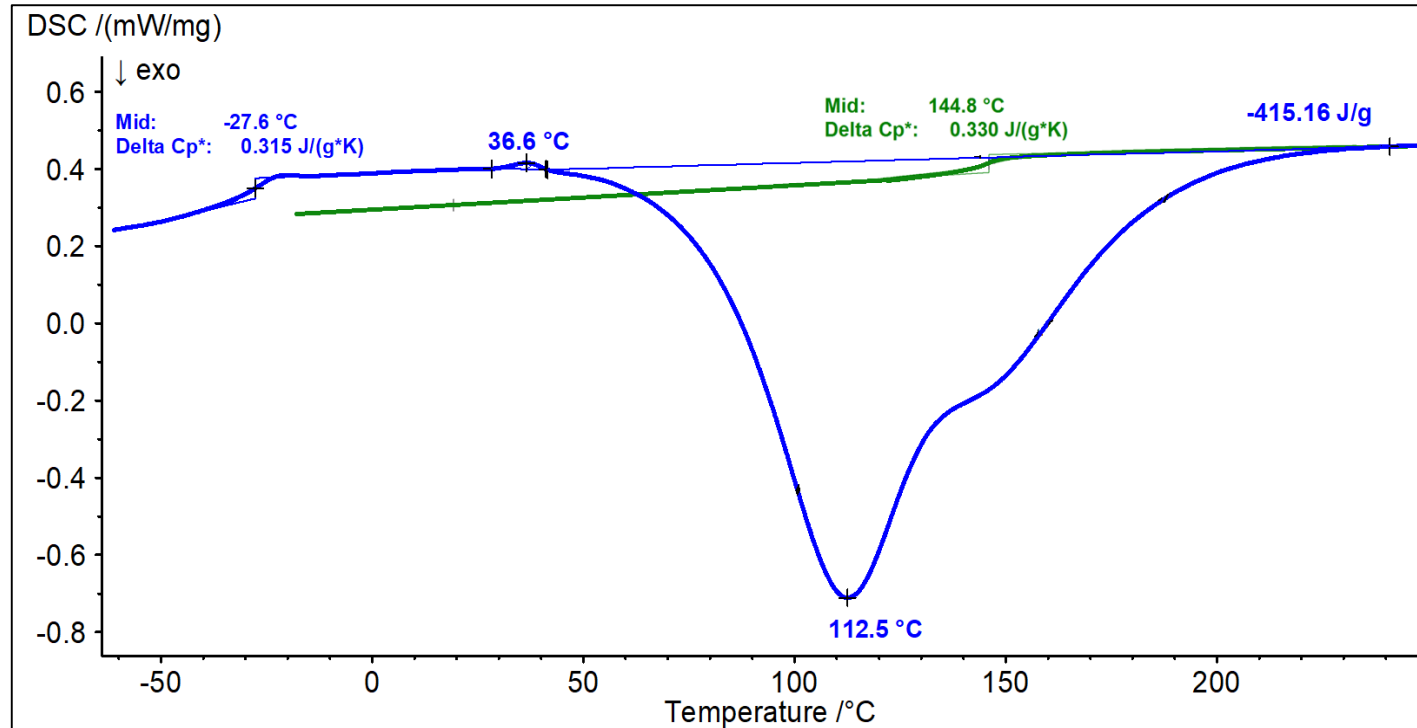
Endothermal
step

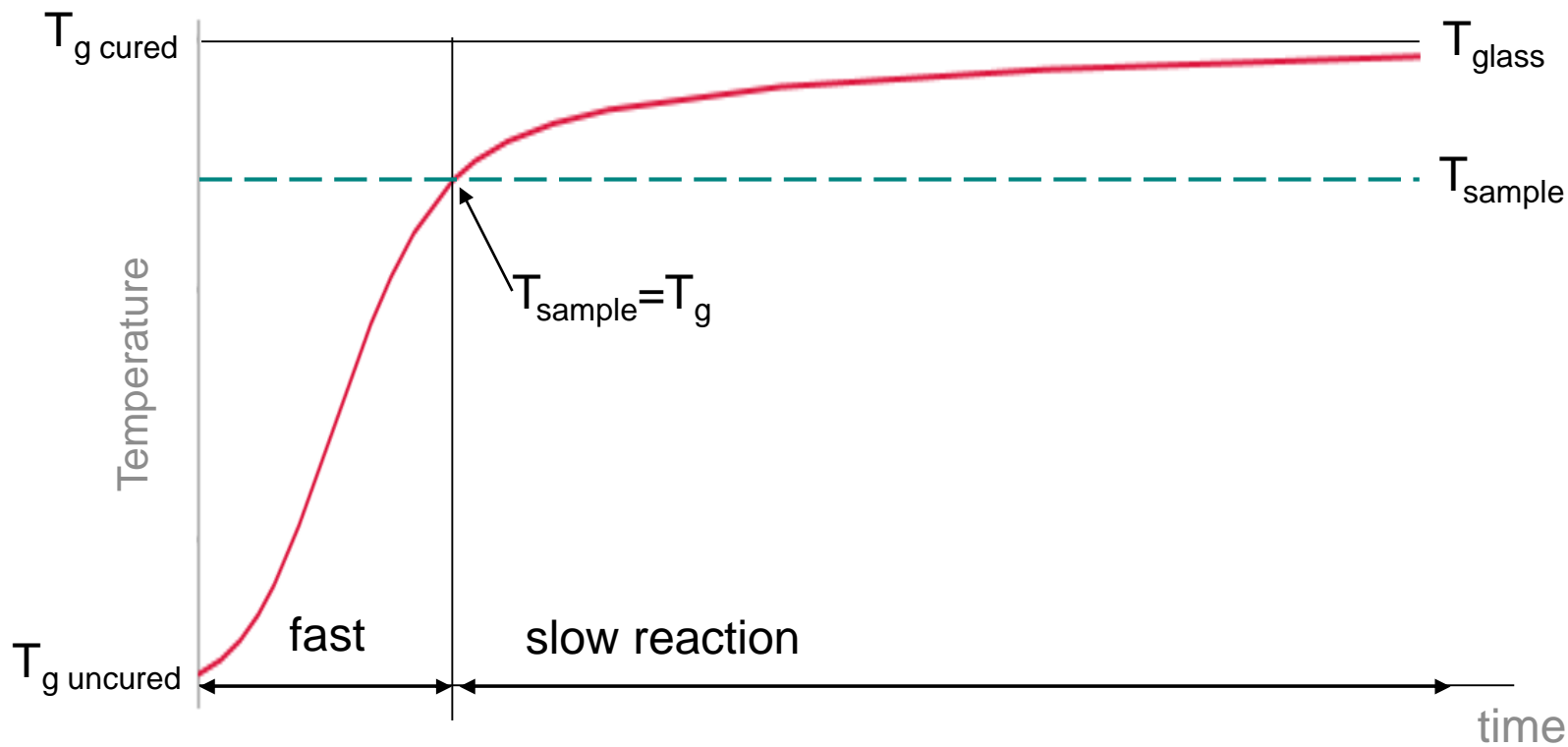




Reactions with diffusion control

Fiber-reinforced Plastics





Glass transition temperature vs Conversion

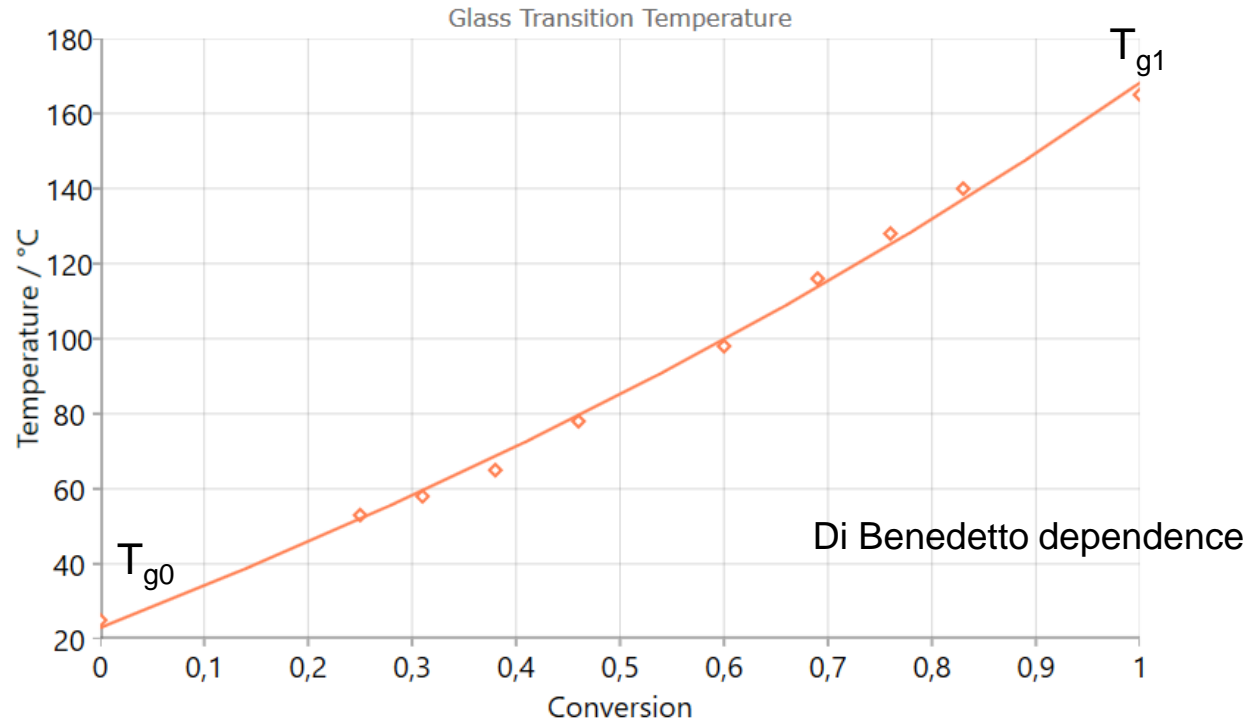
Properties

Glass Transition Temperature		
Conversion	T _g / °C	
0,000	25,0	×
0,250	53,0	×
0,310	58,0	×
0,380	65,0	×
0,460	78,0	×
0,600	98,0	×
0,690	116,0	×
0,760	128,0	×
0,830	140,0	×
1,000	165,0	×

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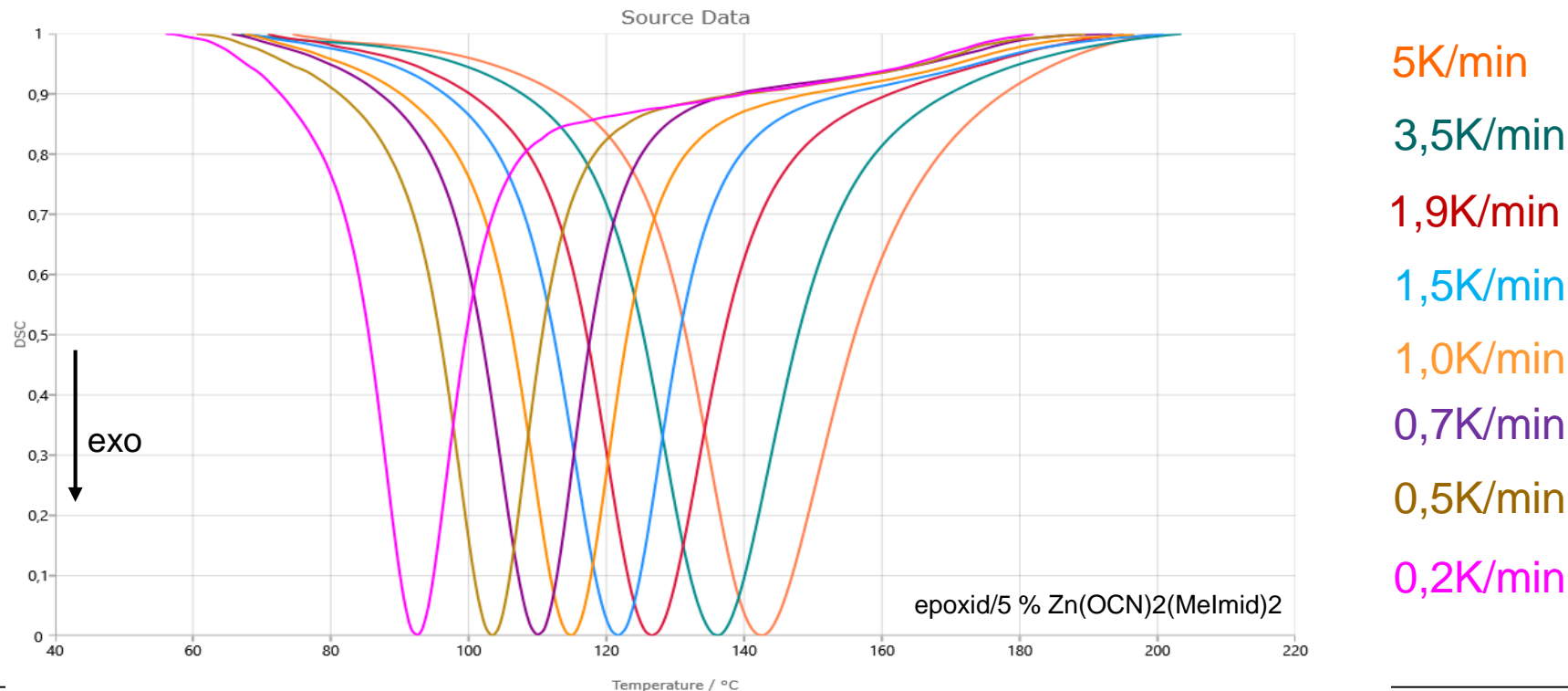
Interpolation

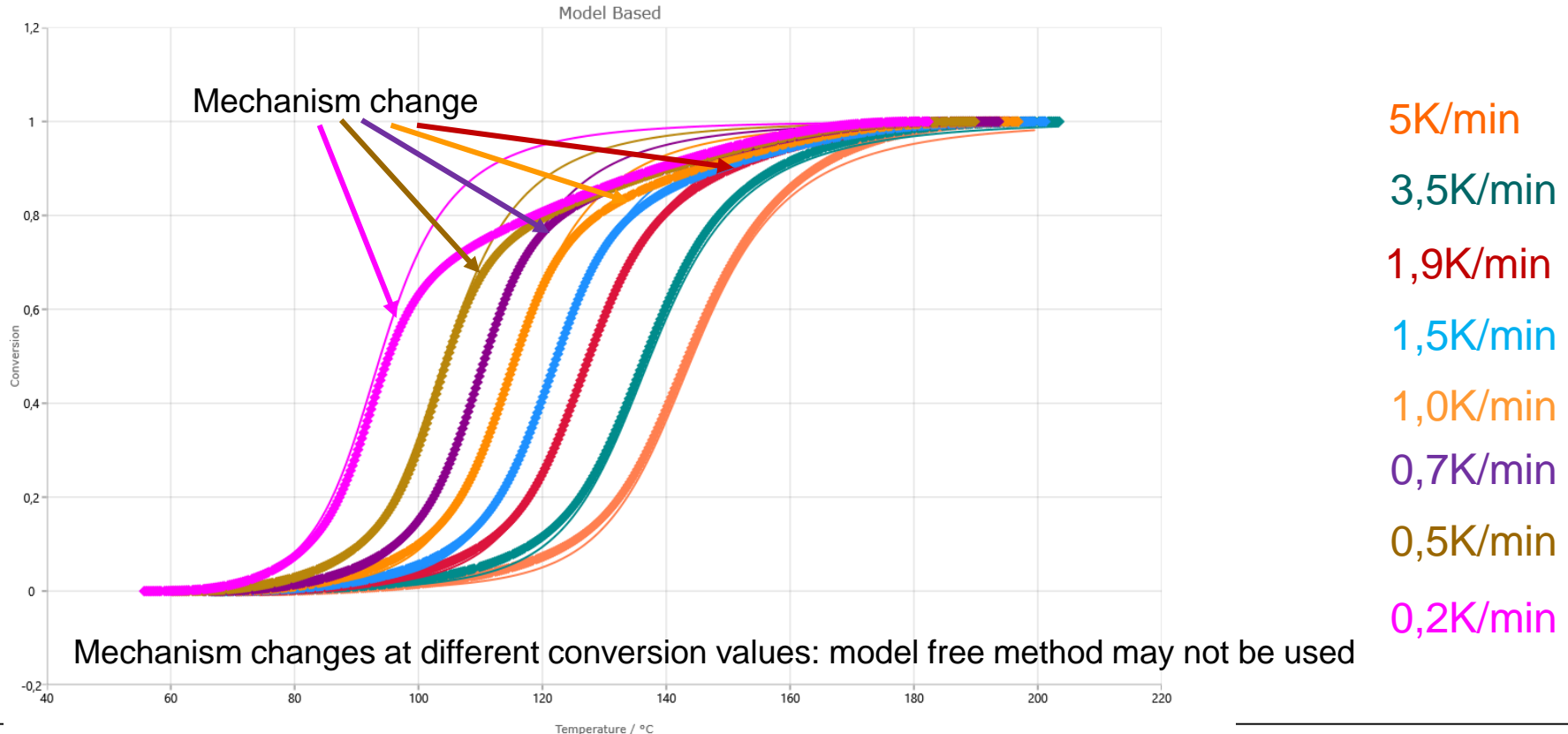
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Parameters:	
T _{g0}	22,97
T _{g1}	168,16
Lambda	0,75



epoxid/5 % Zn(OCN)2(Melmid)2

DSC Measurements





Rabinovich equation for entire rate constant:

$$\frac{1}{k} = \frac{1}{k_{chem}} + \frac{1}{k_{diff}}$$

k_{chem} is the chemical reaction rate

$$k_{chem}(T) = A \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E}{RT}\right)$$

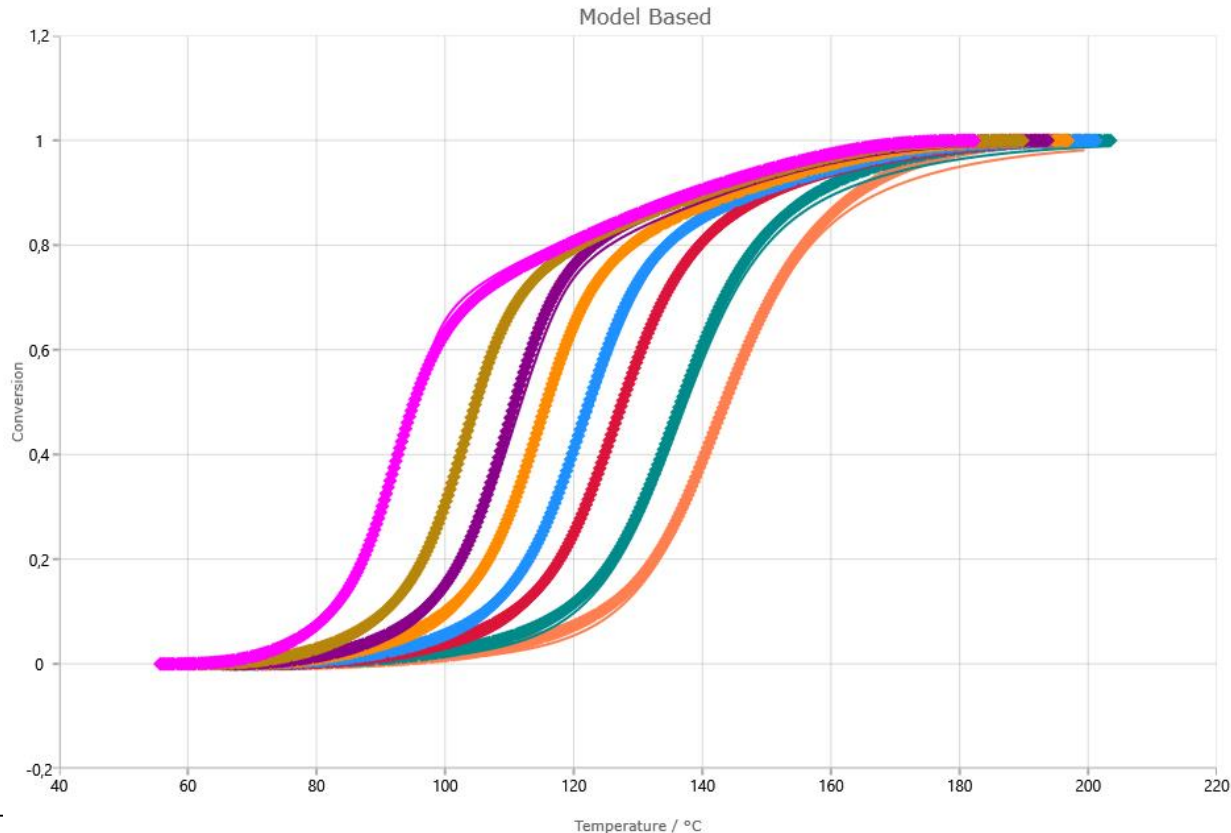
k_{diff} is the diffusion rate, calculated by WLF (Williams – Landel - Ferry) equation:

Above glass transition ($T > T_g$):

$$k_{diff}(T) = k_{diff}(T = T_g) \cdot \exp\left[\frac{C_1 \cdot (T - T_g)}{C_2 + T - T_g}\right]$$

Below glass transition ($T < T_g$):

$$k_{diff}(T) = k_{diff}(T = T_g) \cdot \exp\left[\frac{E(T_g)}{R} \left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T_g}\right)\right]$$



5K/min

3,5K/min

1,9K/min

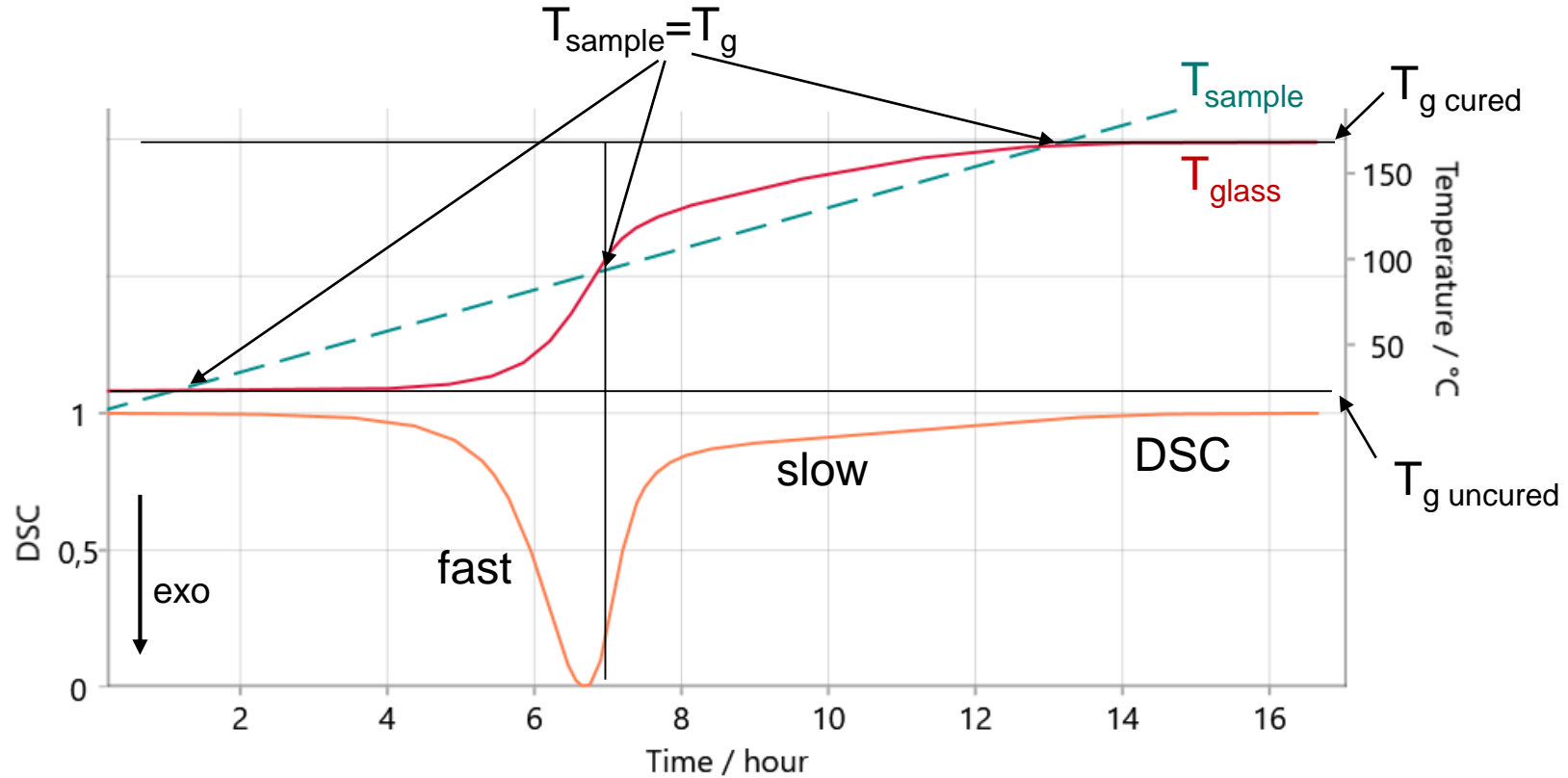
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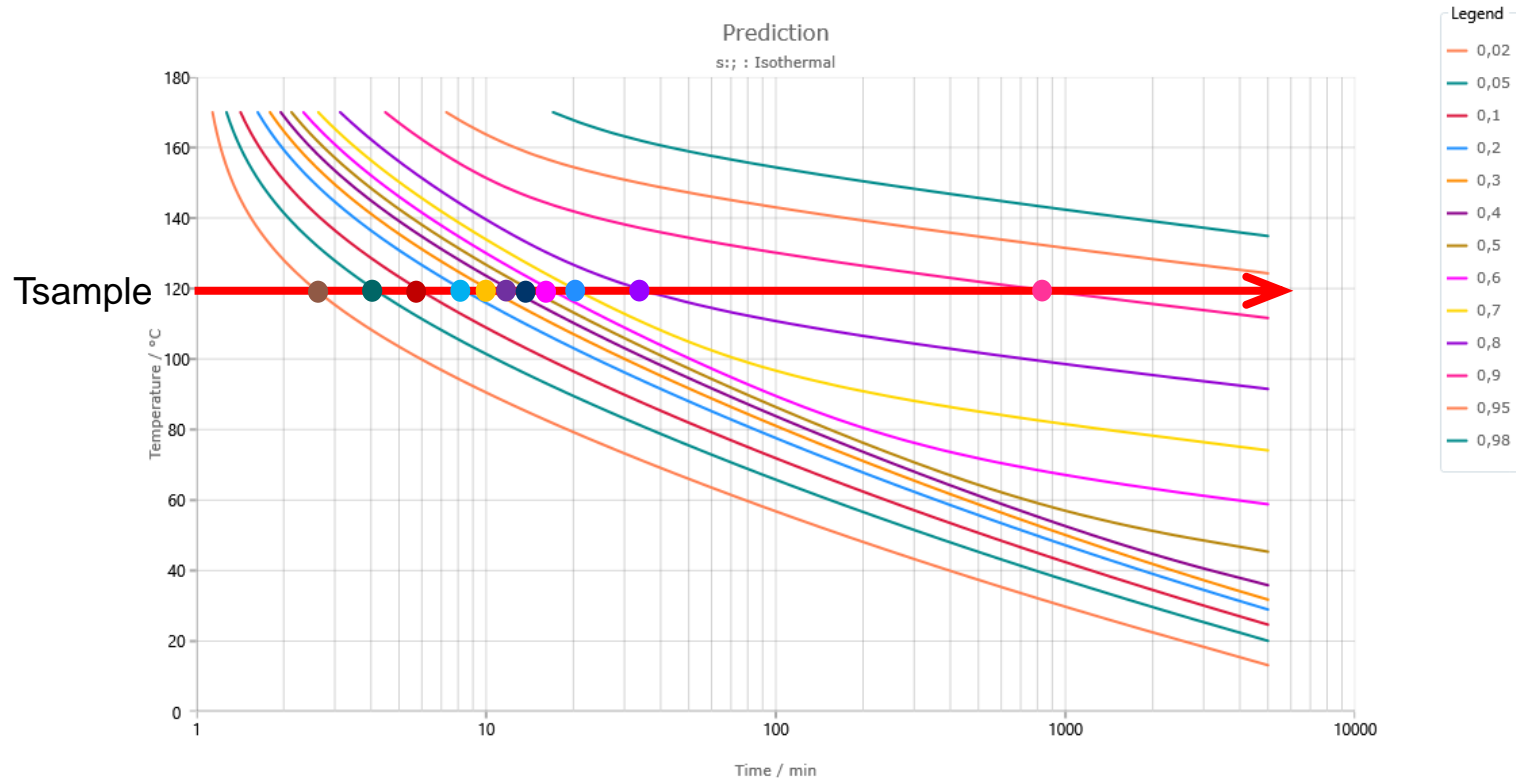
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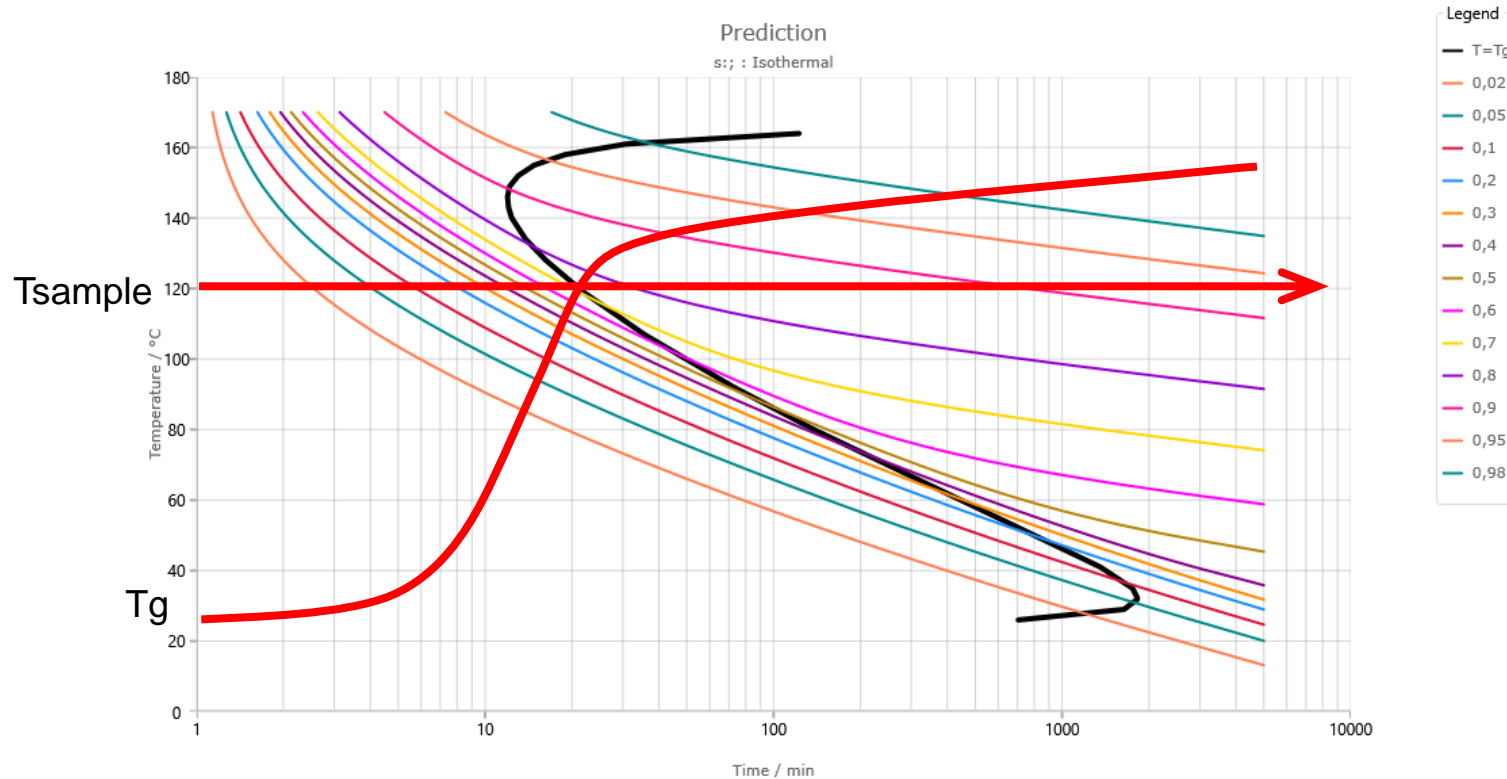
0,7K/min

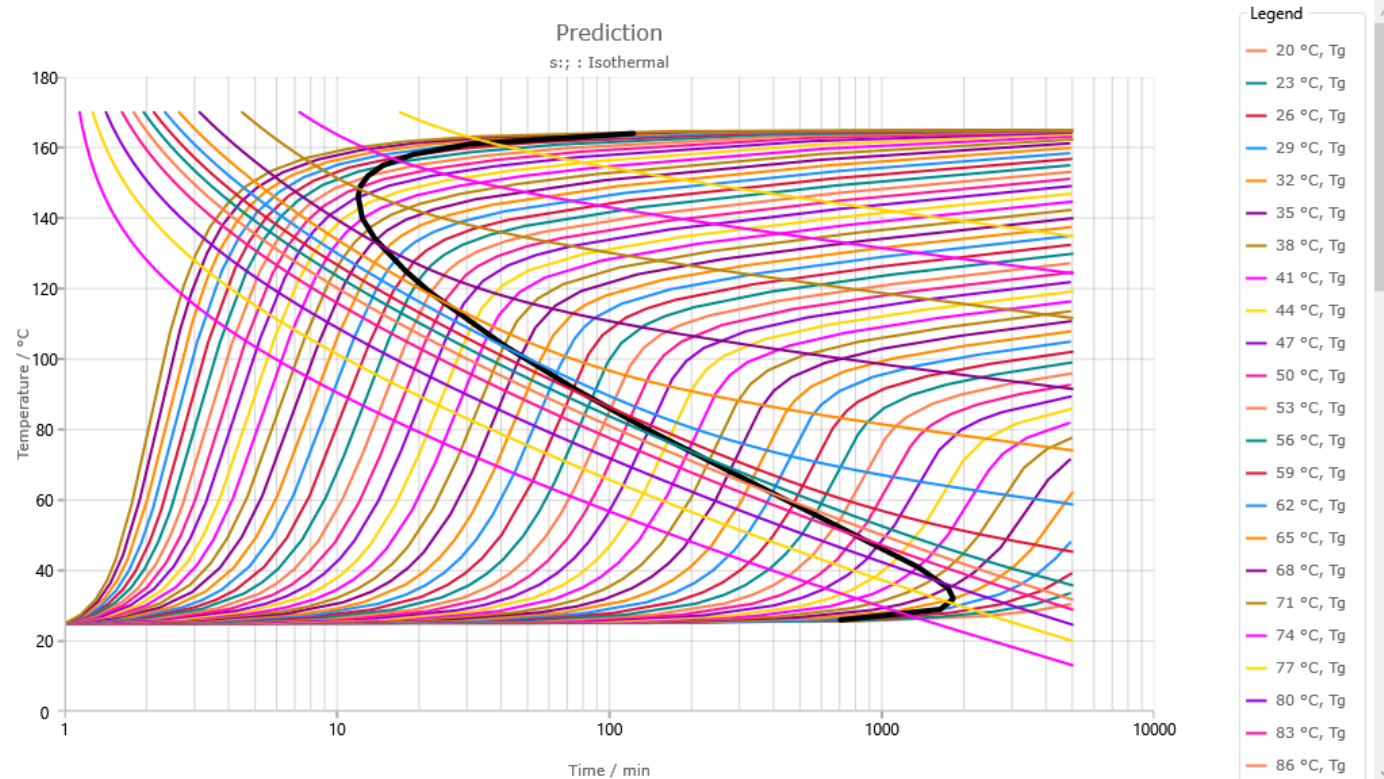
0,5K/min

0,2K/min

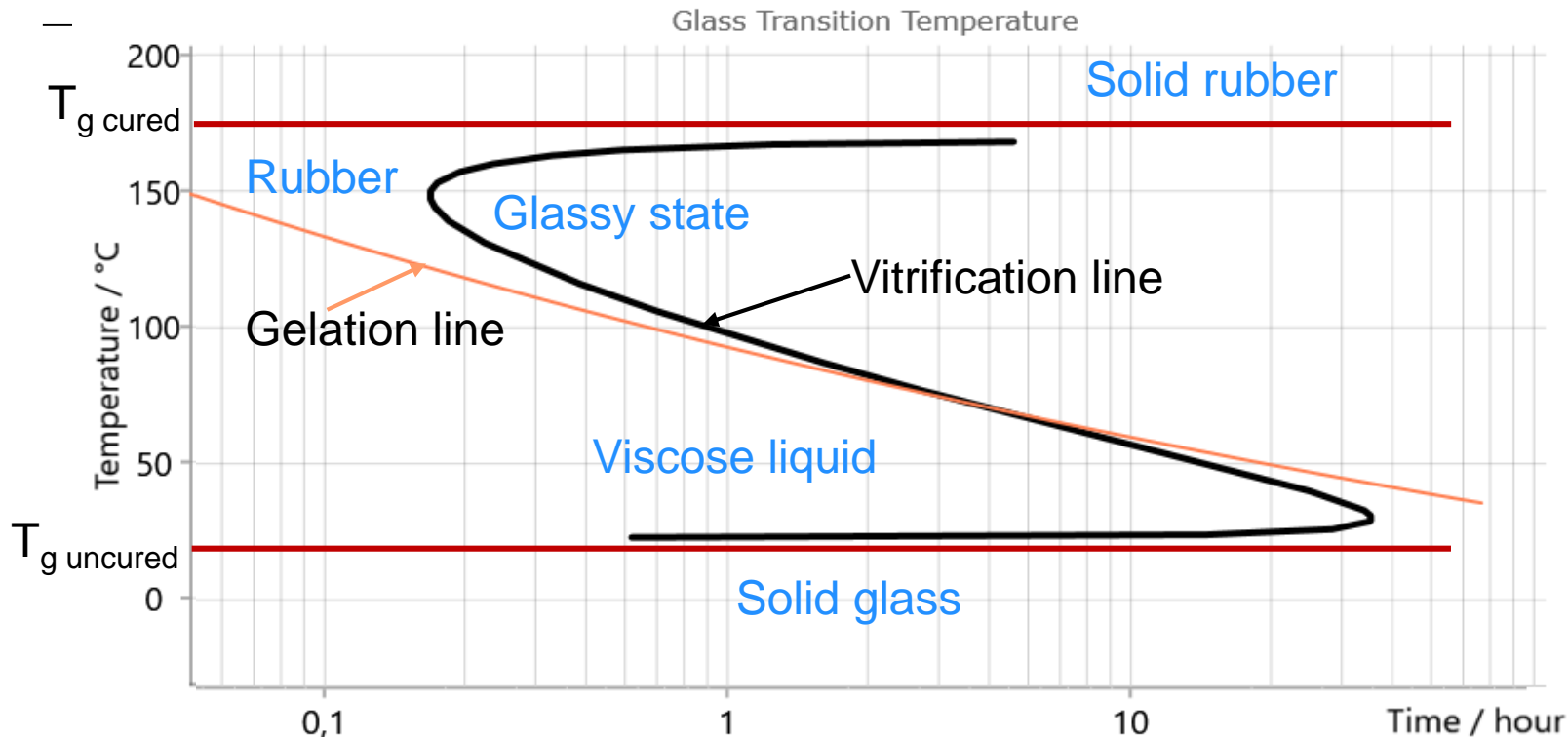








TTT: Time Temperature Transition diagram



What is the final state of the curing material after given time at given temperature?

TTT Diagram shows the state of the material (glass, liquid, rubber) for isothermal conditions with known temperature and time

Special features for curing analysis

- Autocatalytical reactions including Kamal-Sourour with two different activation energies
- Kinetic models for reactions with several individual steps including the steps with different directions of exotherm
- Curing reactions with glass transition and partial diffusion control

Additional information: *kinetics.netzsch.com*