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Stress-Strain Fundamentals

Fundamentals - Stress

Stress represents an applied force over an area

- <u>Definition</u>: Stress = force/area σ = F/A
- <u>Units</u>: pound per square inch (psi), or MN/m² = N/mm² (MPa)
- Normal Stresses are caused by the part of the force which is perpendicular to the plane.
- <u>Shear Stresses</u> are caused by the part of the force which is parallel to the plane.



Fundamentals - Strain

Strain represents deformation in the material resulting from stress

• Strain:

- When a stress is applied to a material, the material changes size.
- Strain (ϵ) is the unit change in size (deformation).

 $\epsilon = \Delta L/L$ (units: in./in., m/m, or dimensionless)

Poisson's Ratio:

- The material changes size along the direction of the applied stress (primary strain ε_{l}) and perpendicular to the applied stress (secondary strain ε_{a}).
- The Ratio of secondary strain to the primary strain is called the poisson's ratio (v):

 $v = -(\epsilon_a/\epsilon_l) = (\Delta T/T)/(\Delta L/L)$ (Units: dimensionless)



Fundamentals – Stress-Strain Relationship

Glass is a linearly elastic material

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- For linearly elastic, isotropic & homogeneous materials, "Hooke's law" states that Stress is directly proportional to Strain:
 - Hooke's Law: stress = constant x strain $\rightarrow \sigma$ = E ϵ ; "E" is the material's Modulus of



Elasticity or Young's modulus

Stress-strain diagram for glass

- Fractures without warning
- Linear elastic up to fracture, no yielding or stress redistribution
- Fracture stress determined by fracture mechanics
- Fracture is statistical in nature

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Glass Strength

Basics of Glass Strength

How Strong is Glass?????

<u>Strength</u>: The value of applied stress which causes fracture.

Answer: It depends!!!



Basics of Glass Strength

- Strength of glass is essentially an *Extrinsic* property:
 - It is dependent on chemical composition, surface conditions, test environment, test method, etc.
 - In comparison: <u>Intrinsic</u> properties are those that are dependent only on chemical composition of the glass. For example, thermal expansion coefficient.

Basics of Glass Strength Theoretical Strength

• Theoretical Strength is based on stress needed to break atomic bonds of the Si-O-Si tetrahedron.

$$\sigma_{\mathsf{F}} = [(\mathsf{E} \gamma)/\mathsf{a}_{\mathsf{o}}].^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

 $\sigma_{\rm F}$ = failure stress

- E = Young's Modulus
- γ = Surface Energy of new surfaces

 $a_o =$ lattice spacing of molecules

- For SLS glass is equal to approximately 1 million psi (~7 GPa)!
- Such strengths do not exist in usable commercial glass form!

Basics of Glass Strength Practical Strength

• Practical, or *extrinsic*, strength of glass (as experienced in daily use) is many orders of magnitude lower

 Dictated by surface imperfections, or <u>flaws</u>, induced by manufacturing and routine handling of glass.

Basics of Glass Strength Practical Strength – Inglis model

- In brittle materials (ie, ceramics, glass, glassceramics), any surface flaw (microcrack or other discontinuity), no matter how small, will act as a *"stress concentrator"* such that tensile stresses at the crack tip will be orders of magnitude higher than the nominal stress corresponding to the applied load.
- If the concentrated local stress at the tip of a critical flaw reaches the bond-strength of the material, the material will fail at a nominal load stress far below its intrinsic strength.



SCF for a hole in glass in uniaxial tensile stress is approximately 3x.

Basics of Glass Strength Practical Strength – Griffith Model

- Practical strength of glass is much lower due to the stress concentration effect of surface flaws.
- Griffith Model:
 - Thermodynamic (energy balance) model that accounts for stress concentration.

$$\sigma_{\mathsf{F}} = [(\mathsf{2E} \gamma) / (\pi \mathsf{a})] \frac{1}{2}$$

- E = modulus of elasticity
- $\gamma = (\text{fracture}) \text{ surface energy}$
- a = half of crack length

Crack propagates when decrease in stored elastic energy is greater than surface energy of new surfaces created by crack extension.

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Fracture mechanics describes the relationship between the stress intensity factor and the applied stress

• Stress intensity factor (K_I)

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

Y = Geometry parameter

 σ_a = Applied stress

a = Flaw depth



• Fracture occurs when K_I exceeds the fracture toughness K_{IC} we typically measure the strength, σ_c

$$K_{IC} = Y \sigma_c \sqrt{\pi a_c}$$





Glass strength decreases with increasing flaw depth One application is importance of good edge finishing for high strength glass



Glass strength varies by orders of magnitude upon process, protection and handling conditions



Basics of Glass Strength Factors affecting strength values



2. Load Rate & Duration



Slower load rate = lower strength



Higher humidity = lower strength

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Glass Strength Statistical Behavior

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- The quantification of <u>strength of glass is statistical in nature</u>, and depends on size of the specimen, surface quality, pH, humidity, temperature, load rate, flaw distribution (size and orientation) etc.
- Fracture occurs when: a sufficiently large applied stress encounters a sufficiently large flaw in the correct orientation with moisture present.
- <u>The question of strength</u>: What is the probability that an applied stress will encounter a sufficiently large flaw in the correct orientation to create failure???

Glass strength has the same distribution as that of flaw sizes



Glass Strength Statistical Behavior well described by Weibull distribution

- To project the probability of failure at a given service stress, a Weibull Analysis is used.
- Note that even at the lowest levels of stress, there is still some risk of failure due to the nature of brittle materials.

Glass Strength Statistical Behavior What is a Weibull Analysis?

- Definition:
 - Analogous to a "weakest link model".
 - Failure probability model which is based on the fact that strength of a brittle material is dictated by randomly distributed flaws and that failure is controlled by the largest, most severely stressed flaw.
- Process:
 - Strength data is gathered on a population of 20 or more samples.
 - Data is then ranked from lowest to highest strength
 - Converted to a failure probability
 - Plotted on special axis (Y-axis is Cumulative Failure Probability & X-axis is Ln strength).
- Outputs:
 - Plot should yield a straight line and from this plot two key parameters are determined:
 - The Weibull Modulus (M) or "Shape": this characterizes the scatter of the strength distribution and is a key component in assessing failure probability.
 - The characteristic strength (σo) or "Scale": this indicates the overall location of the strength distribution (based on the mean of a Gaussian distribution, occurs at the 63.2% probability point).





Glass strength is best characterized by the Weibull distribution due to its statistical nature

- Surface flaws from handling-induced damage are the most common
- Strength is primarily determined by the glass object's handling history
- Strength is more likely to go down than up during the life of an object
 - S_o = characteristic strength
 - m = Weibull Modulus
 - high value = tight distribution
 - Iow value = wide distribution



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Glass Strength Measurement

Edge Strength Testing

- Adequate edge strength is important in order for parts to survive Shipping, Handling & Decking into the vehicle. Once Parts are decked, parts will typically experience use case and abuse case stresses.
- Edge Strength is measured by uniaxial flexure tests.





Edge Strength Testing 4-Point Bending effectively tests only 2 bottom edges

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- Samples: 50 mm x 100 mm
- Tested in: 4-point Bending
- Support Span: 36 mm
- Load Span: 18 mm

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Load Rate: 5 mm/minute



Discard data with origins outside o load points or not from edge.

- Maximum stress in region between loading points Edges are often weaker than surface
- Effectively tests only two bottom edges
- 4-point bending (ASTM C158)

$$\sigma_f = \frac{3La}{bh^2}$$

 σ_f = Failure Stress (Modulus of Rupture)

- L = Applied Load
- a = distance between support and load points
- b = width of bar
- h = thickness

- Assumptions:
 - Elastic
 - Homogeneous
 - Isotropic
 - Small Deflections

Edge Strength Testing Edge Strength depends also on glass strengthening (CS/DOL values)



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Gorilla Glass

Edge Strength Testing

Edge Strength of Gorilla Glass for Auto indicates small impact of glass thickness (2018 Data set)



Surface Strength Testing

Ring-on-Ring - measurement of glass surface strength

- Ring-on-Ring test (ASTM C1499)
 - Maximum stress in area defined by inner ring (on other side)
 - Teflon film used between glass and loading rings (friction)
 - Tests only bottom surface
- Limitations: Thin glass (with deflection greater than half thickness at failure) shows significant non-linear effects



Surface Strength Testing Surface Strength of Gorilla Glass for Auto indicates small impact of glass thickness (2018 Data set)



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Glass Fractography

Fractography is a practical tool to analyze glass failure origins and to estimate failure stress (glass strength)

$$Strength = \sigma_f = \frac{A_m}{\sqrt{R_m}} = \frac{K_{IC}}{\beta\sqrt{a}}$$

- A_m = mirror constant for glass (determined experimentally)
- $R_m = mirror radius$
- a = flaw depth (measured)
- $a = 0.1 R_m^{0.5}$ (approx.)

For soda lime glass the mirror constant measured at Corning is:

 $A_m = 1.86MPa\sqrt{m} = 1695psi\sqrt{in}$







Fractography is widely used in Corning for use-case study and process/handling damage prevention



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Glass Strengthening Techniques

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The strengthening of glass may thus be considered in three broad areas:

- Raise the intrinsic strength of glass
 - This value is fixed by the strength of the glass former (Si-O-Si) molecular bond. Little room for improvement.
- Prevent or eliminate flaws
 - Protect surface with coatings etc. For most applications coatings are not practical until after the glass is processed into a new shape/form which necessitates handling of glass.
 - · Parts in-service get contacted and flaws are introduced.
 - Remove flaws with acid etching
- Counteract the effect of surface flaws by compressively pre-stressing the surface such that growth of these imperfections is impeded, and the strength-reducing effects of the flaws are partially offset.

Annealed Glass

- Annealed glass is cooled slowly so as to reduce the internal stresses.
- This results in a relatively weak glass in terms of load bearing capability, but one that is fairly tolerant to damage.
- There is no internal stored energy to make damage propagate.



Very low stress



Thermally Strengthened glass has a depth of compression of 21% of its thickness & magnitude is driven by thickness²



Chemically strengthened Glass (AKA lon exchange) A chemical salt bath is used to exchange small ions for bigger ones



The incoming ion (K⁺) and its larger volume produces:

- Volume expansion \rightarrow compressive stress on the surface
- Concentration distribution resulting in a stress profile

Results in very high surface compressive stress

Mechanically strengthened by CTE mismatch



Surface compressive stress created by the center layer contracting. Surface compression is of uniform magnitude throughout its thickness

Example in use: Corelle dishware



Stress Profiles for Different Strengthening Techniques



Magnitude & depth of CS controlled by thickness and thermal diffusivity.

Magnitude & depth of CS controlled by thickness ratios of skin/core and their CTE's Magnitude & depth of CS Function of glass composition, IOX parameters (chemistry, time, temp)

With 2 core Corning technologies, Corning has designed Gorilla[®] Glass for automobile interior applications



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Application Automobile #1

Headform Impact Test & Retained Strength Today's market trends are challenging industry requirements Corning's extensive analysis led to considering "Retained Strength" as relevant metric

Auto Interior Displays are Evolving

Authenticity



Industry Requirements and Today's Solutions

Headform Impact Test (HIT):

.. Cover must not contain any dangerous roughness or sharp edges likely to increase the risk of injury.."

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When glass is used, it must not break or must have protective film

requires film

Frame Teardowns 70+ 1.7k HIT Tests Done Total Lab Hours 20k

50 +

Evaluation of auto display modules

Corning's Approach

Corning has performed extensive analysis,

simulations & testing to investigate HIT and its impact on Glass Attributes

Platforms Studied

>90% of market designs

"Retained Strength" proposed as relevant metric

Corning built Headform Impact Test capability to investigate impact on glass attributes

Standards

- FMVSS201 (USA)
- ECE-R21 (EU)
- GB 11552 (CN)

Test Conditions

- Headform diameter 6.5" (165 mm)
- Headform mass
- Impact velocity

- 6.8 Kg 6.69 m/s 5.36 m/s with airbag
- Calculated impact energy 152 J

Success Criteria

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- Deceleration of head must not exceed 80 g for more than 3 ms
- "..Cover must not contain any dangerous roughness or sharp edges likely to increase the risk of injury.."
 - Many OEMs require No Glass Breakage





Source: Laboratory Test Procedure for FMVSS201, TP-201-02, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Glass strength is controlled by flaws and is not an intrinsic property





Based on in-field displays, flaws from supply chain are ~ 5 microns





2 Stress during HIT

Extensive study of modules design provided stress distribution on cover glass during HIT Max stress = 900 MPa

In-field modules teardown



Stress Modeling and Measurement



Commercialized product CAD analysis



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Source: http://k.sina.com.cn/article_6431948680_17f5fbf8800100pox8.html?from=auto

Corning developed glass compositions optimized to exhibit high Retained Strength



Next step is to validate experimentally Retained Strength and HIT performance!

i) Supply Chain Flaws Generation at Lab Scale

Damage introduction methodology developed for reproducing use-case flaw distribution (99.9% = 5 microns)



Ring-on-Ring Testing to measure Retained Strength Large deflection and failure location taken into consideration

Stress Distribution Experimentally

Ring-on-Ring



Failure Location



Digital Image Correlation



Stress Distribution by Finite Element Modeling



F = Applied load [N; D = Diameter [mm] (S=Small;L=Large); h = Glass thickness [mm]; v = Poisson ratio

Corning AutoGrade[™] Gorilla Glass exhibits Retained Strength greater than 900 MPa





iii) HIT survivability

Surrogate module test designed to validate HIT performance of AutoGrade[™] Gorilla Glass

HIT Surrogate Module

- Designed to represent aggressive biaxial bending cases during HIT
 - 3ms 110G vs. 3ms 80G
 - Stress slightly above 900 MPa









AutoGrade[™] Gorilla Glass survives extreme HIT conditions without failure



Correlation confirmed between Retained Strength and HIT survivability



Retained Strength ≥ 900 MPa needed to survive HIT

Conclusion

- Retained Strength proposed as an accurate metric for HIT survivability in auto interior applications.
- Methodology developed to experimentally measure Retained Strength, taking into account supply chain flaws.
- Both experiments and modeling indicate a Retained Strength required minimum value of 900 MPa for cover glasses for use in automotive interior applications.
- Corning developed AutoGrade[™] Gorilla Glass, which provides Retained Strength higher than 900 MPa.

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Application Automobile #2

3D ColdForm[™] Technology

Corning[®] ColdForm[™] Technology Started mass production in 2019



+50 granted product and process patents covering ColdForm[™] Technology



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"Bend last" during ColdForm[™] Technology process enables significant yield advantage and economic savings versus hot forming



With ColdForm[™] Technology we can overcome challenges from hot-formed glass:

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- Hot forming economics \checkmark Poor surface uniformity
 - Poor dimensional tolerance ✓ Optical coatings with high color shift
- **Optical distortion**
- 3D decoration



https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=YJ83p1NQwQc&feature=share

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Better economics, performance, and more sustainable



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Concluding Remarks

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- Glass strength is essentially an extrinsic property with a statistical behavior.
- The choice of mechanical test depends on use-case application.
- Fractography is a powerful tool for root cause analysis and/or test validation.
- The best choice of glass material depends on the use case: Consumer Electronics, Automotive (Interior/Exterior), Architecture, etc...
- Corning's long history of innovation is pushing the boundaries of glass strength, enabling new forming technologies and new applications.

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