

Implementation and Calibration of a Viscoelastic Bonded Particle Model: from the Micromechanics to the Flow Properties

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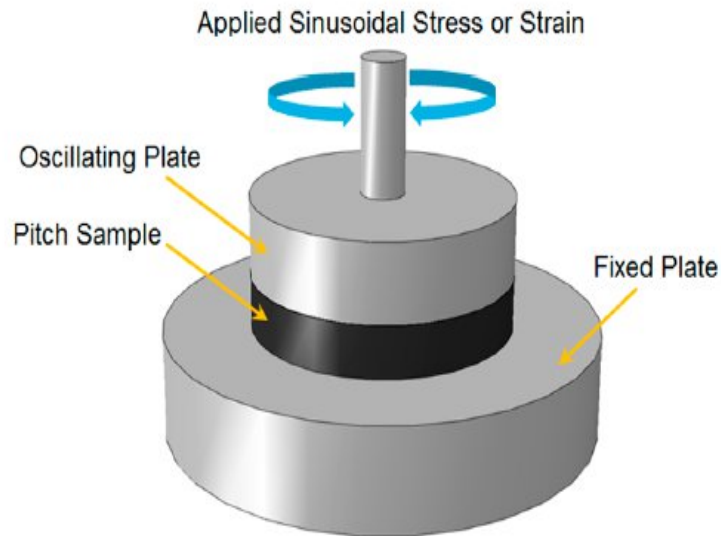
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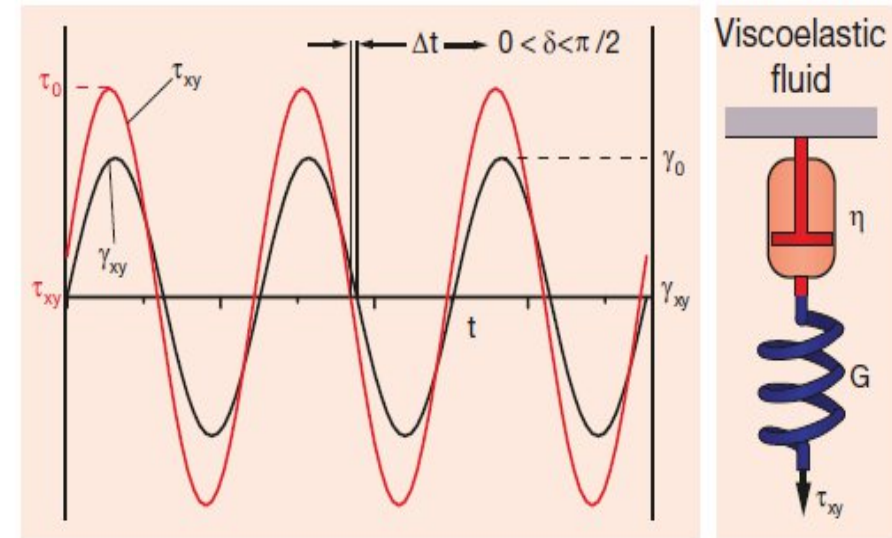
SIMULATE



Introduction



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Source: T. Osswald & N. Rudolph, Polymer Rheology, 2014

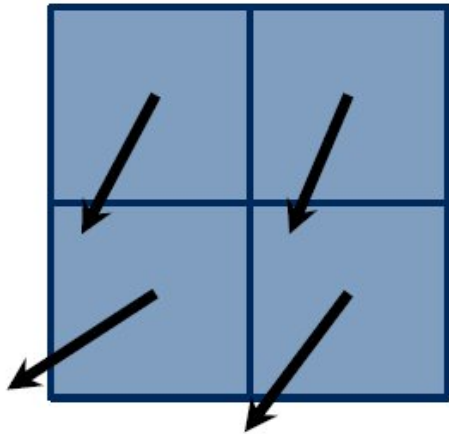
- Experiments to measure rheological properties **are not** always **enough** to **predict** flow in a **complex process**
- Some materials are not **“rheometer friendly”**
- Experiments are **limited** in stress and applied frequency depending on the material



Introduction

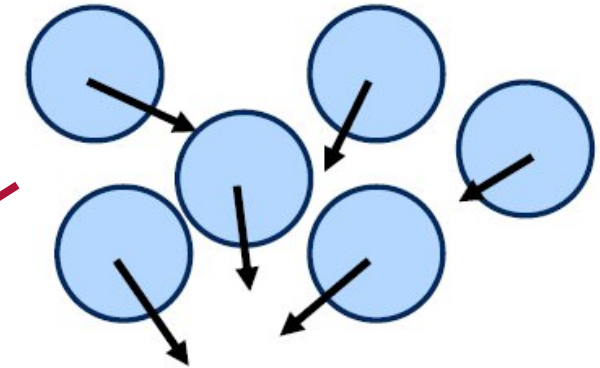


Mesh-based methods (Eulerian)



- Complex tensor-modified **Navier-Stokes equations**
- Tricky to apply in processes with **rotating parts**
- Challenging when describing granular matter

Particle-based methods (Lagrangian)

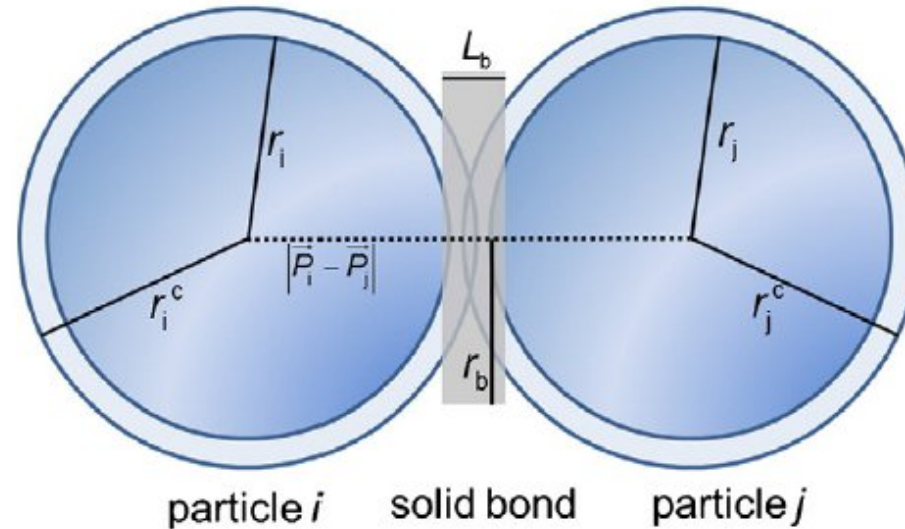


- Strictly **limited to granular** or dispersed phases
- Particles size defined by ensemble to describe
- Need for **calibration** to match real physics

**New “hybrid”
model approach
with bonded
particles**



Bond Initialization



Source: <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0032591013004683?via%3Dihub>

- Particles are **solid DEM spheres** without overlap contact force
- Bond is formed at **increased radii overlap**
- Bond initialized with **zero force**
- At each bond, a **visco-elastic constitutive equation** is solved



Burgers model implementation



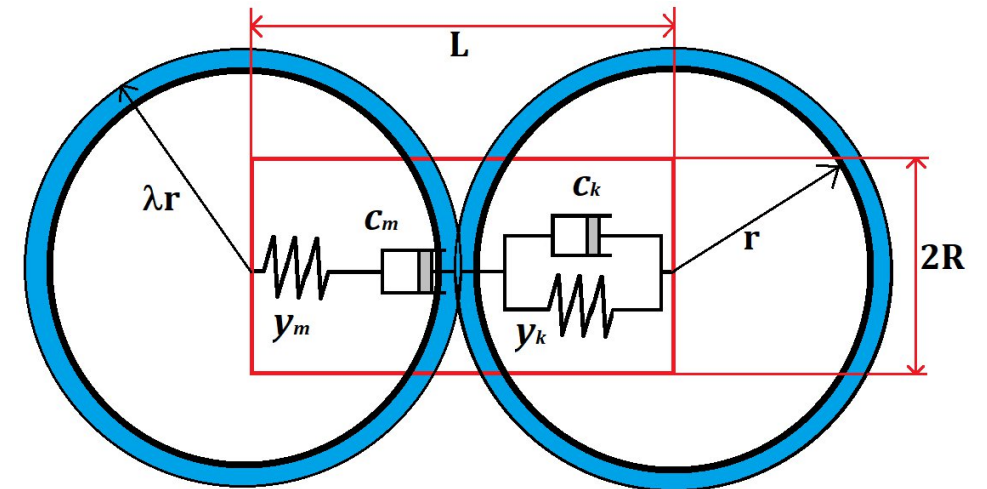
$$\sigma + \left[\frac{\mu_k}{k_k} + \mu_m \left(\frac{1}{k_k} + \frac{1}{k_m} \right) \right] \dot{\sigma} + \frac{\mu_k \mu_m}{k_k k_m} \ddot{\sigma} = \pm \mu_m \dot{\epsilon} \pm \frac{\mu_k \mu_m}{k_k} \ddot{\epsilon}$$

Solved new timestep dynamics and loaded old timestep values

$$\Delta u^{\{n+1\}}, f^{\{n\}}, u_k^{\{n\}}$$

$$f^{\{n+1\}} = - \frac{\Delta u^{\{n+1\}} + \left(1 - \frac{B}{A}\right) u_k^{\{n\}} + D f^{\{n\}}}{C}$$

$$u_k^{\{n+1\}} = \frac{u_k^{\{n\}} B - \frac{0.5dt}{c_k} (f^{\{n+1\}} - f^{\{n\}})}{A}$$



$$c_{m,k} = \frac{\mu_{m,k} \pi R^2}{L}, \quad y_{m,k} = \frac{k_{m,k} \pi R^2}{L}$$

$$A, B, C, D = f(c_m, c_k, y_m, y_k, \Delta t)$$



Generalized Maxwell model



Solved new timestep dynamics and loaded old timestep values

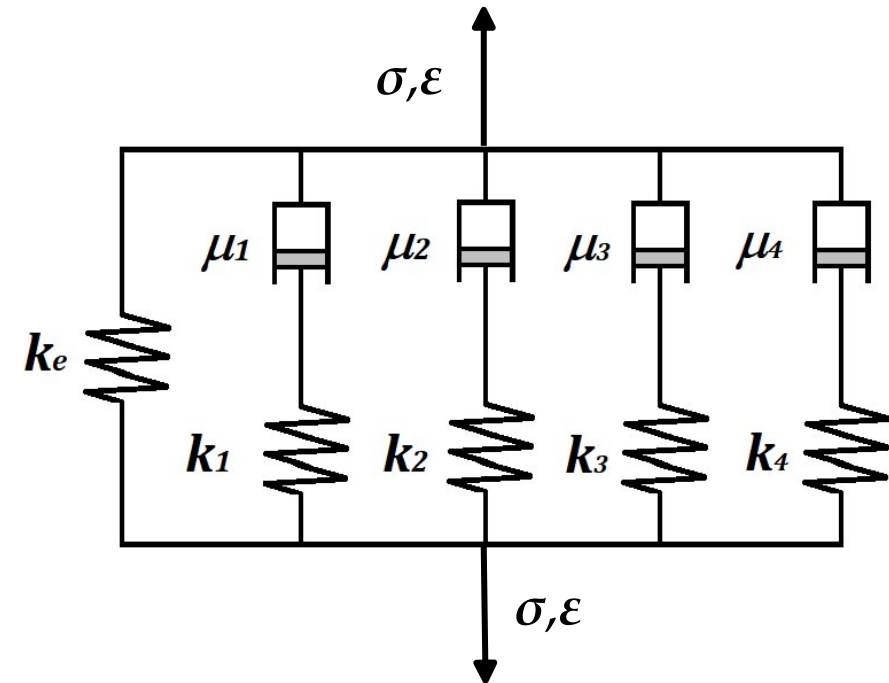
$$\Delta u^{\{n+1\}}, f^{\{n\}}$$

$$f_i^{\{n+1\}} = \frac{\Delta u^{\{n+1\}} + f_i^{\{n\}} \left(\frac{1}{y_i} - \frac{\Delta t}{2c_i} \right)}{\frac{1}{y_i} + \frac{\Delta t}{2c_i}}$$

$$f_e^{\{n+1\}} = y_e (u^{\{n+1\}} - u^{\{n_0\}})$$

$$f^{\{n+1\}} = \sum_{i=1}^4 f_i^{\{n+1\}} + f_e^{\{n+1\}}$$

$$\dot{\epsilon} = \frac{\dot{\sigma}_i}{k_i} + \frac{\sigma_i}{\mu_i}, \quad \sigma_e = k_e \epsilon$$

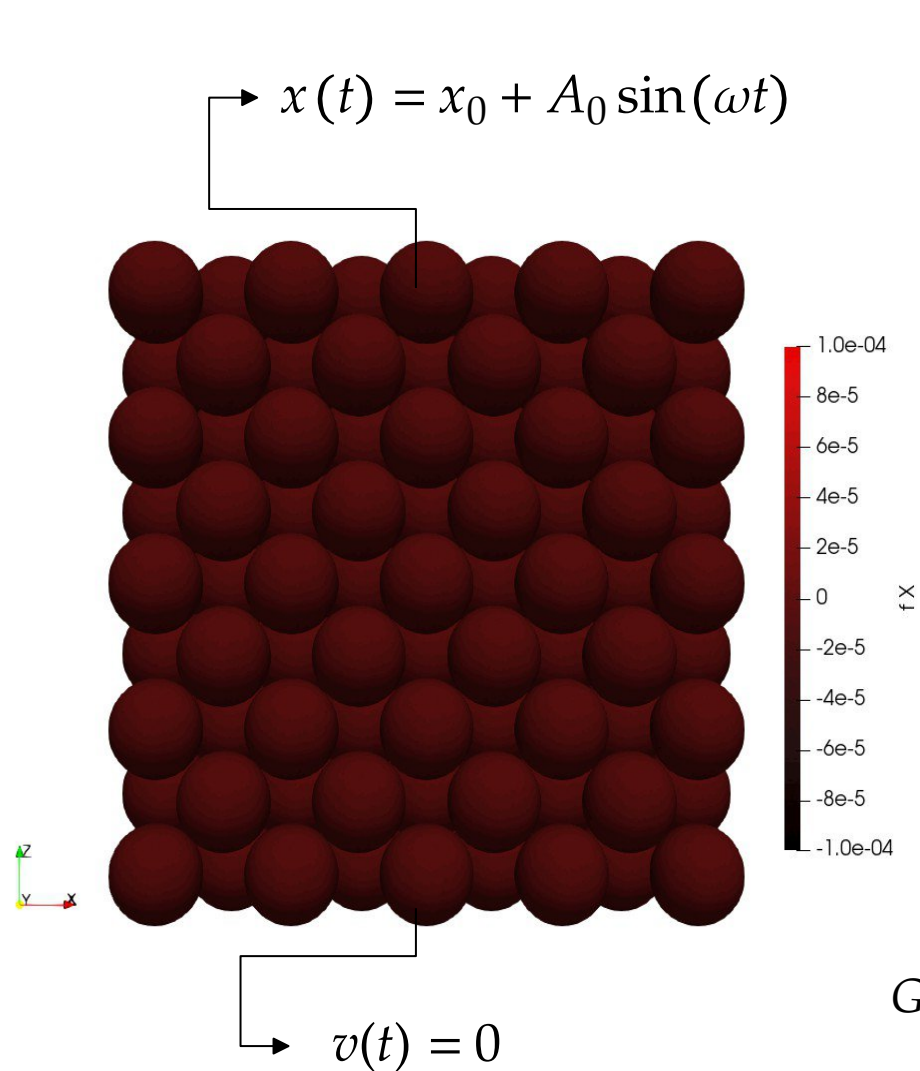


$$y_{i,e} = \frac{k_{i,e} \pi R^2}{L}$$

$$c_i = \frac{\mu_i \pi R^2}{L}$$



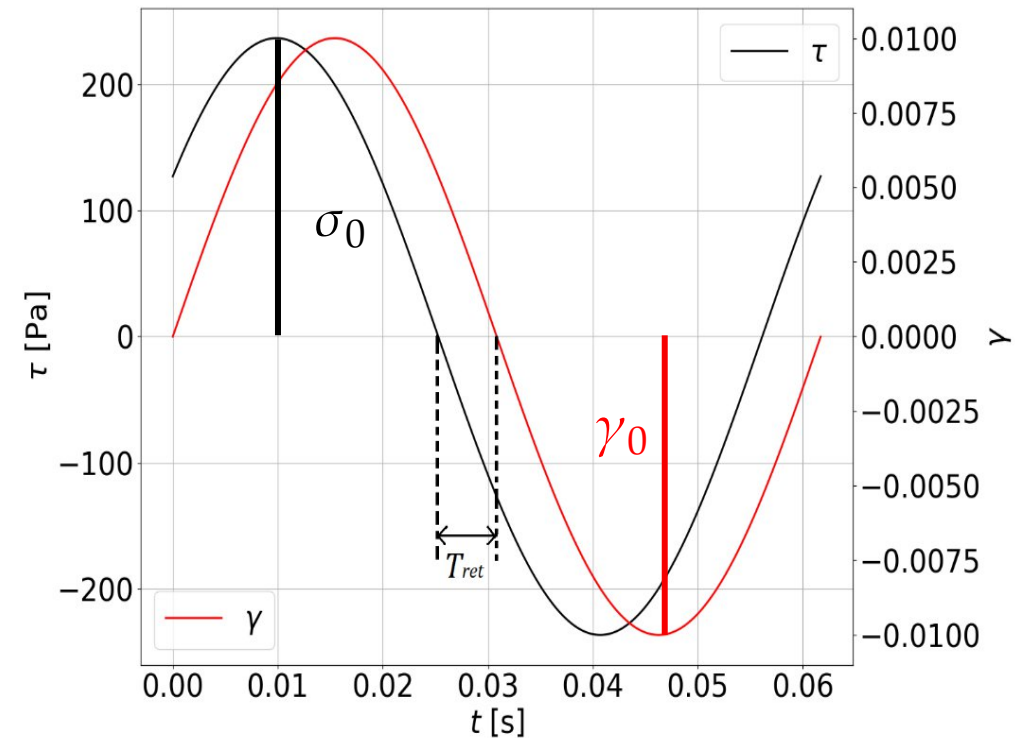
Test case and post-processing



$$\sigma = \frac{1}{n_{top} A_{top}} \sum_i^{n_{top}} f_i$$

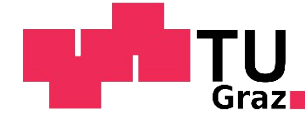
$$\phi = \omega \cdot T_{ret}$$

$$G' = \frac{\sigma_0}{\gamma_0} \cos \phi, \quad G'' = \frac{\sigma_0}{\gamma_0} \sin \phi$$





Particles size effect



Constant volume oscillating compression test at decreasing particles size to check for solution convergence

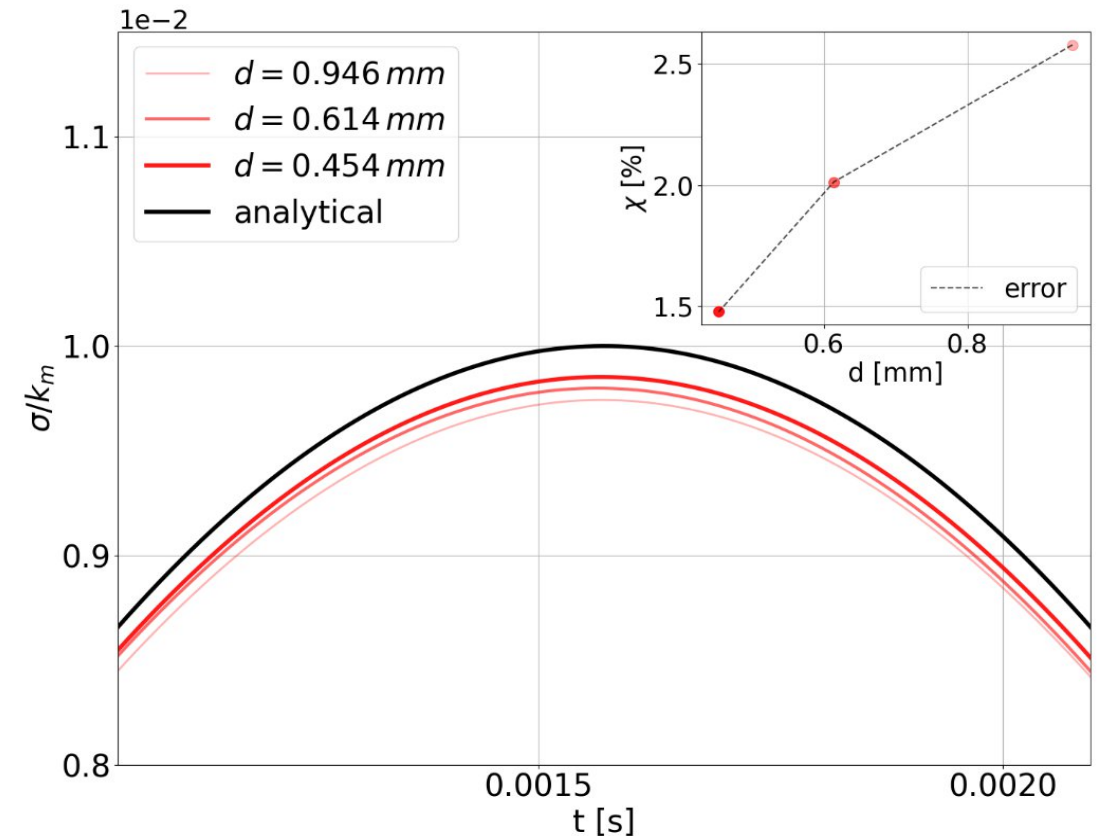
Analytical: $\sigma = E\varepsilon$

Elastic Burgers:

- Divide constitutive relation by $\mu_m \mu_k$
- Let $\mu_m, \mu_k \rightarrow \infty$
- Integrate twice in time

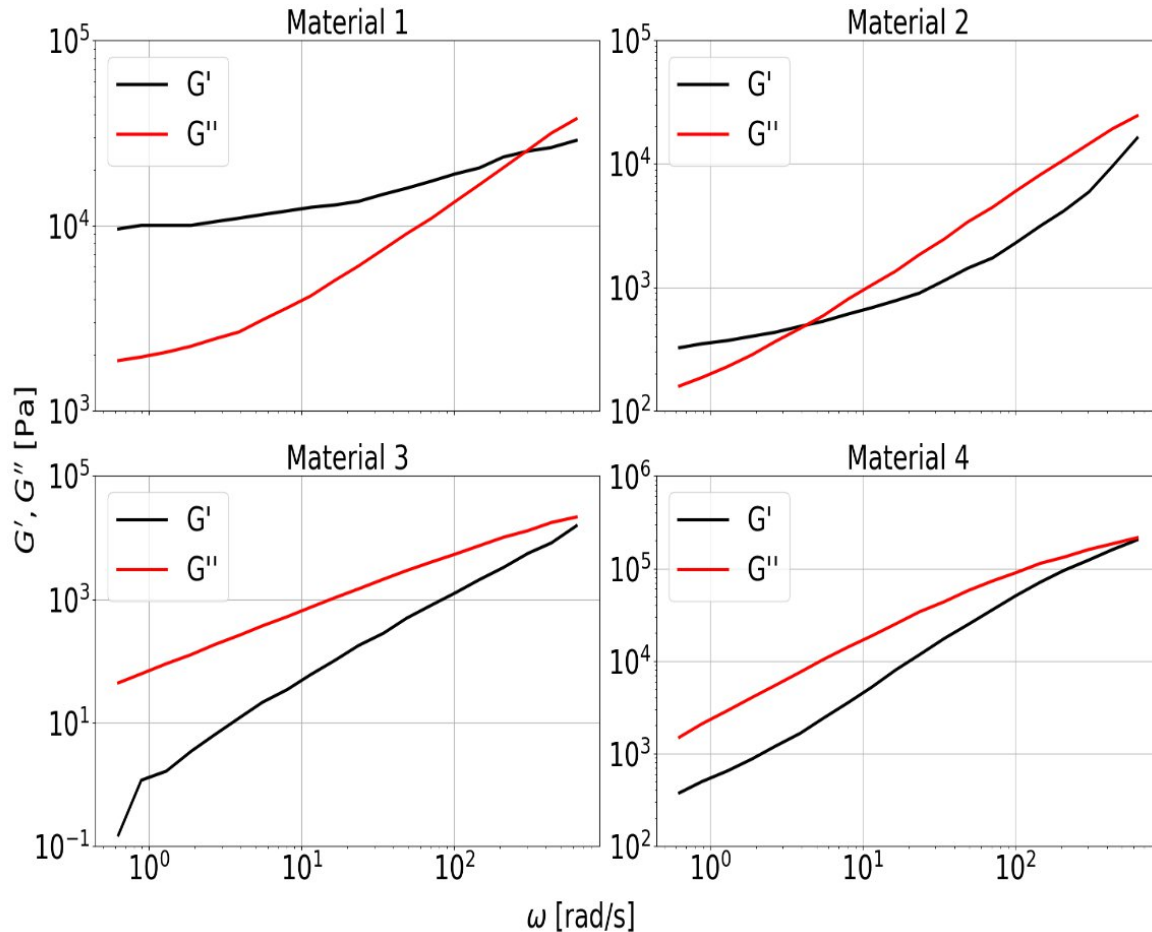
$$\sigma = k_m \varepsilon$$

type	N	d
coarse	172	0.946 mm
medium	666	0.614 mm
fine	1688	0.454 mm





Calibration strategy



1. Read experimental data from oscillatory rheometer test

2. Compute G'_0, G''_0 from:

$$J' = \frac{1}{k_m} + \frac{k_k}{k_k^2 + (\omega\mu_k)^2}$$

$$J'' = \frac{1}{\omega\mu_m} + \frac{\omega\mu_k}{k_k^2 + (\omega\mu_k)^2}$$

$$G'_0 = \frac{J'}{J'^2 + J''^2}, \quad G''_0 = \frac{J''}{J'^2 + J''^2}$$

3. Minimize cost function:

μ_m, μ_k, k_m, k_k

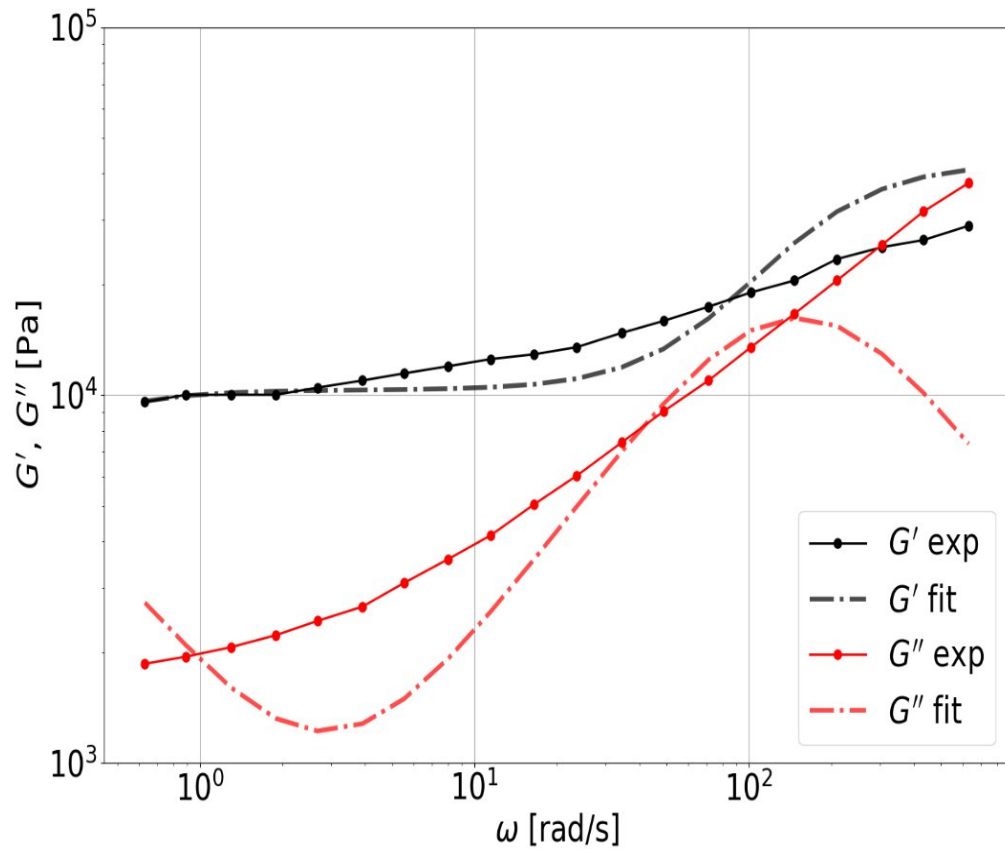
$$f_{cost} = \sum_i^m \left[\left(\frac{G'_0}{G'} - 1 \right)^2 + \left(\frac{G''_0}{G''} - 1 \right)^2 \right]$$



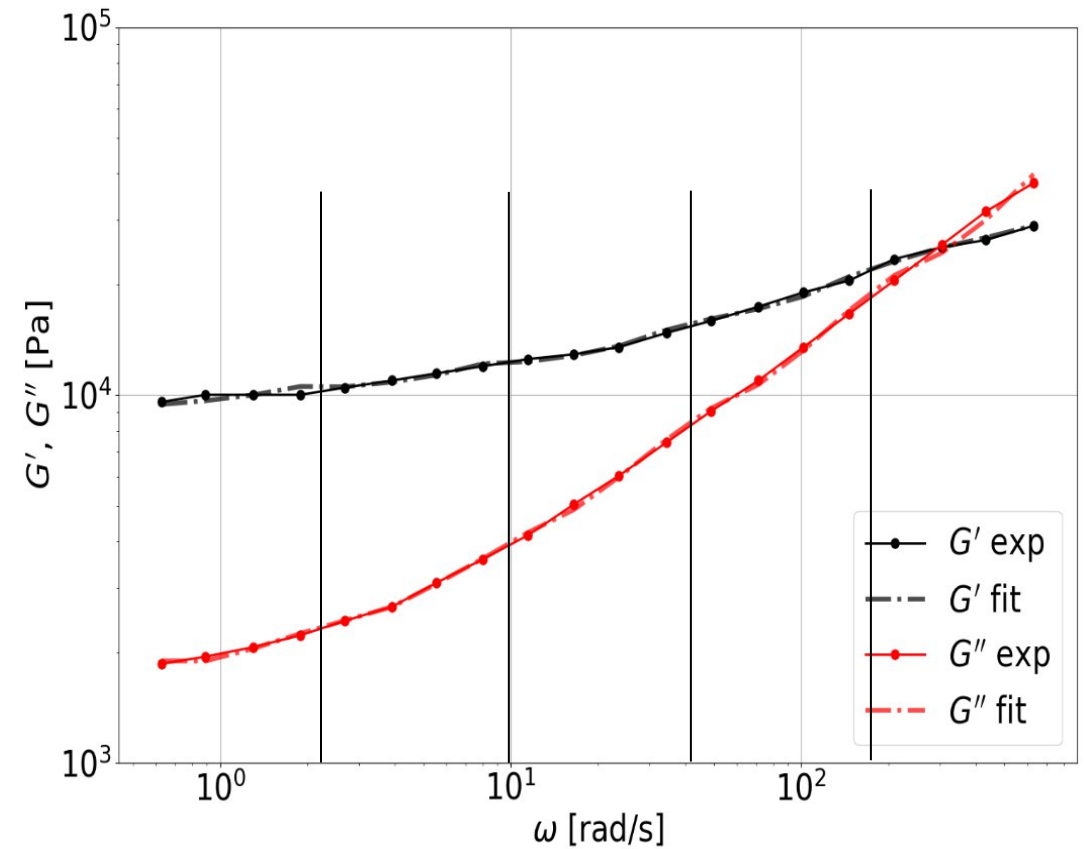
Burgers model analytical fitting



Full frequency range fitting



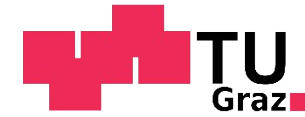
Sub-set frequency fitting



Burgers model not suited for large dataset

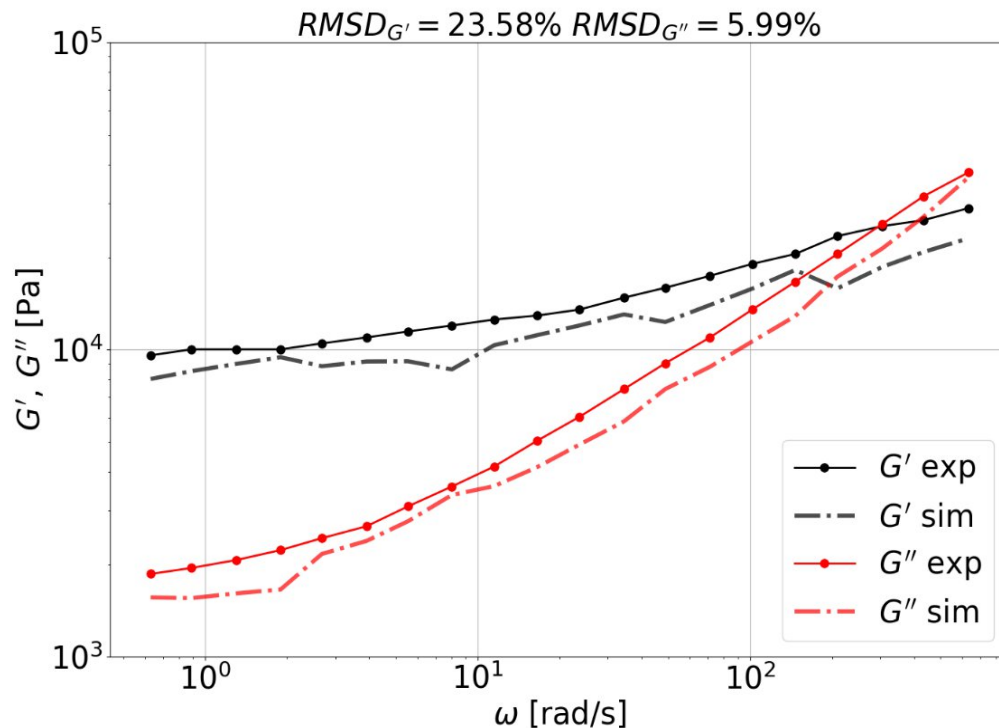


Burgers model calibration limits



Limit 1:

Non constant parameters through the dataset



ω range [$\frac{rad}{s}$]	μ_m [Pas]	μ_k [Pas]	k_m [Pa]	k_k [Pa]
0.6-1.9	$1.325 \cdot 10^5$	$1.55 \cdot 10^4$	$1.36 \cdot 10^4$	$3.24 \cdot 10^4$
2.7-8.1	$3.76 \cdot 10^4$	$0.31 \cdot 10^4$	$1.8 \cdot 10^4$	$2.62 \cdot 10^4$
11.5-34.1	$0.85 \cdot 10^4$	658.1	$3.22 \cdot 10^4$	$2.14 \cdot 10^4$
48.8-146.5	$0.16 \cdot 10^4$	220.2	$7.33 \cdot 10^4$	$2.56 \cdot 10^4$
209.3-632.4	$3.75 \cdot 10^2$	77.86	$5.03 \cdot 10^5$	$3.98 \cdot 10^4$

Limit 2:

Jumps in simulated data due to sudden change in parameters

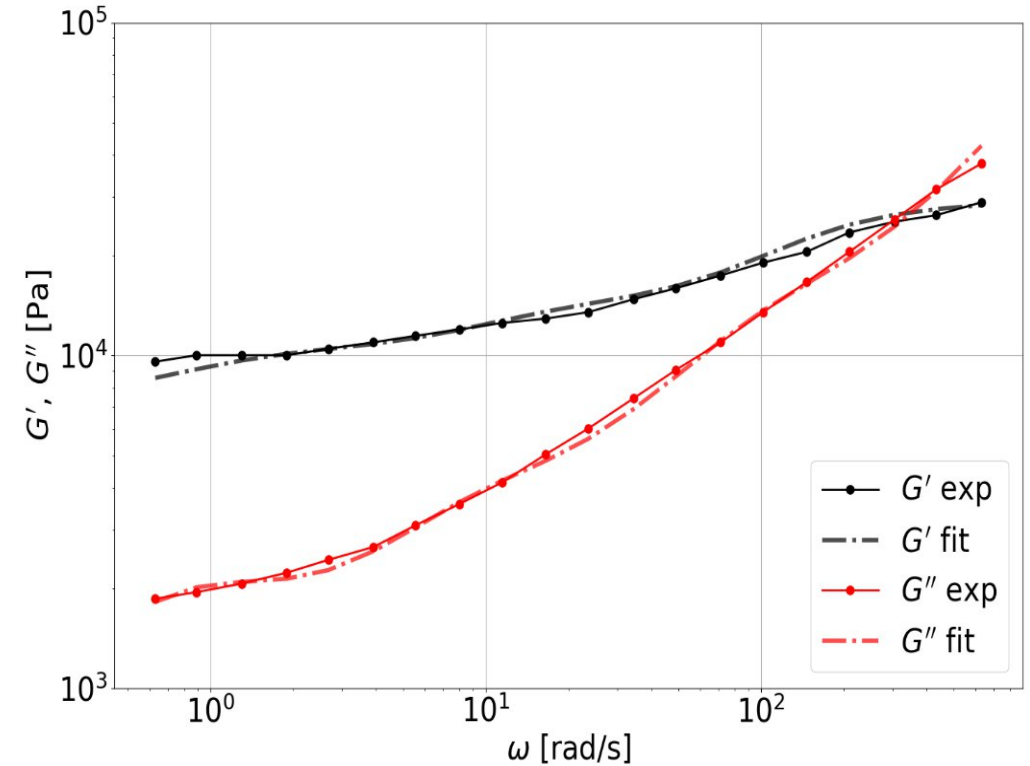


Generalized Maxwell calibration



$$G' = \sum_i \frac{k_i \omega^2 \tau_i^2}{1 + \omega^2 \tau_i^2} + k_e \quad G'' = \sum_i \frac{k_i \omega \tau_i}{1 + \omega^2 \tau_i^2}$$

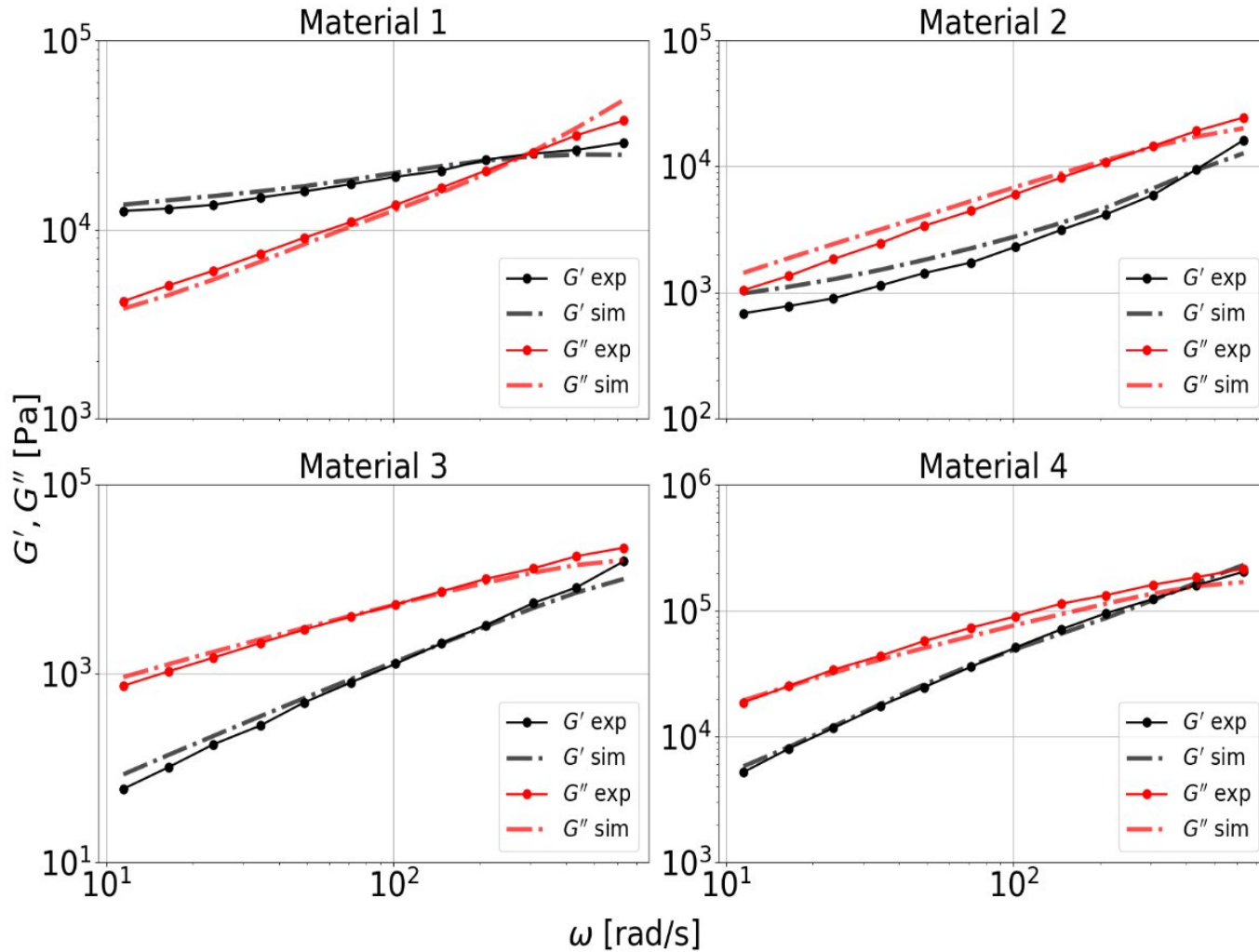
Generalized Maxwell maintains
accuracy through the **whole dataset**



material	$\mu_1 [Pas]$	$\mu_2 [Pas]$	$\mu_3 [Pas]$	$\mu_4 [Pas]$	$k_1 [Pa]$	$k_2 [Pa]$	$k_3 [Pa]$	$k_4 [Pa]$	$k_e [Pa]$
1	3711	108.7	63.1	373.4	3067	$1.389 \cdot 10^4$	$3.98 \cdot 10^6$	4065.6	7422.8



Generalized Maxwell calibration



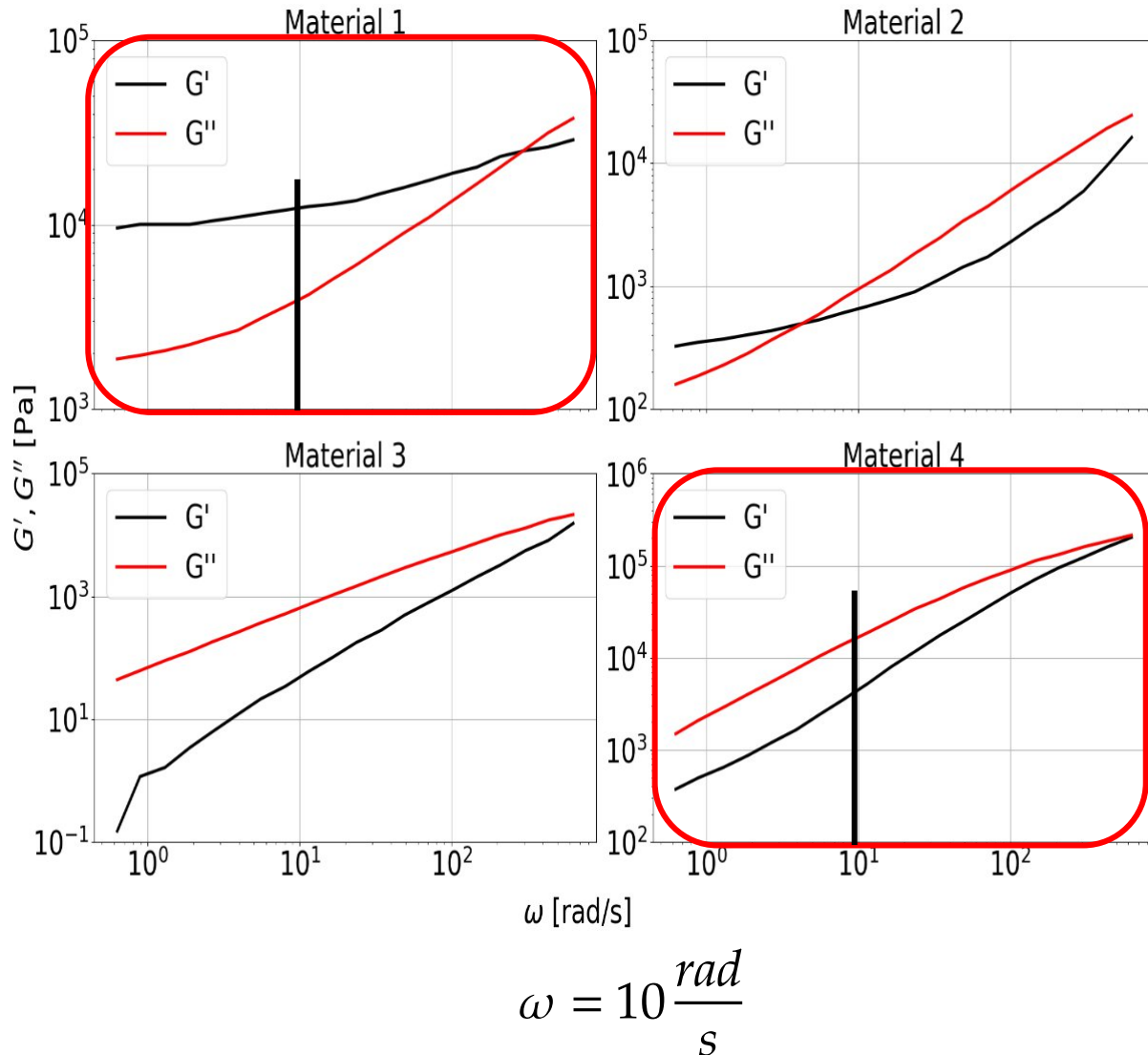
No more jumps in the rheometer simulations ☾ **higher quality simulations**

	material 1	material 2	material 3	material 4
$RMSD_{G'}$	9.65 %	7.01 %	10.39 %	4.38 %
$RMSD_{G''}$	9.82 %	6.36 %	9.43 %	9.94 %

Error **drastically reduced** over a variety of materials



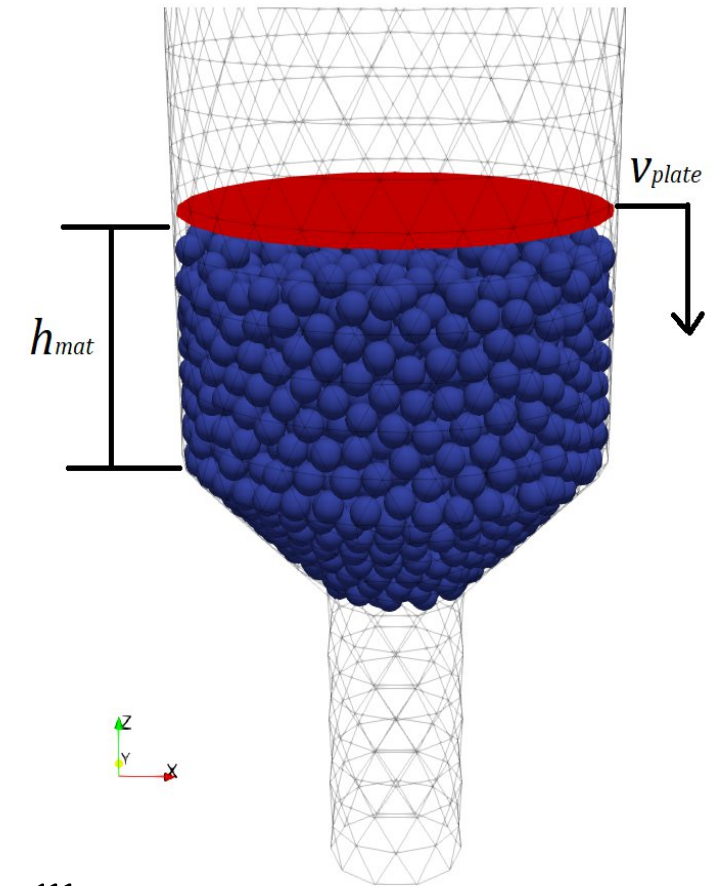
Extrusion simulation setup



$$\dot{\epsilon} = \frac{v_{plate}}{h_{mat}}$$

$$\omega \approx 2\pi\dot{\epsilon}$$

$$v_{plate} = \frac{\omega h_{mat}}{2\pi} \approx 0.012 \frac{m}{s}$$





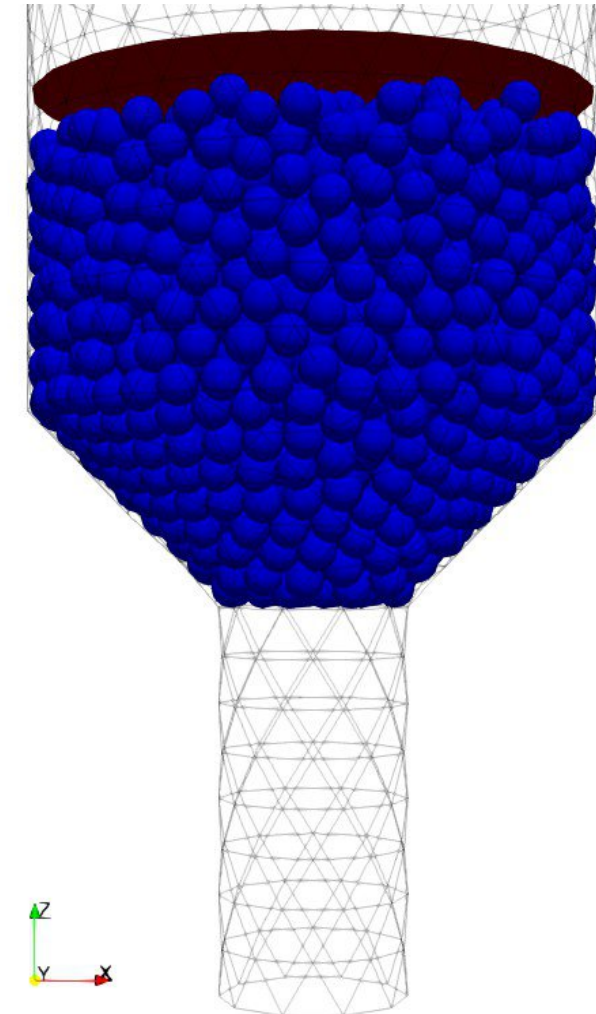
Extrusion simulation material 1



Compression phase: dynamic viscosity

$$\mu' = \frac{G''}{\omega} = \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{\mu_i}{1 + (\omega\tau_i)^2}$$

For material 1 € $\mu'_1 |_{\omega=10} = 399 \text{ Pa s}$





Extrusion simulation material 1



Relaxation phase: **viscosity**

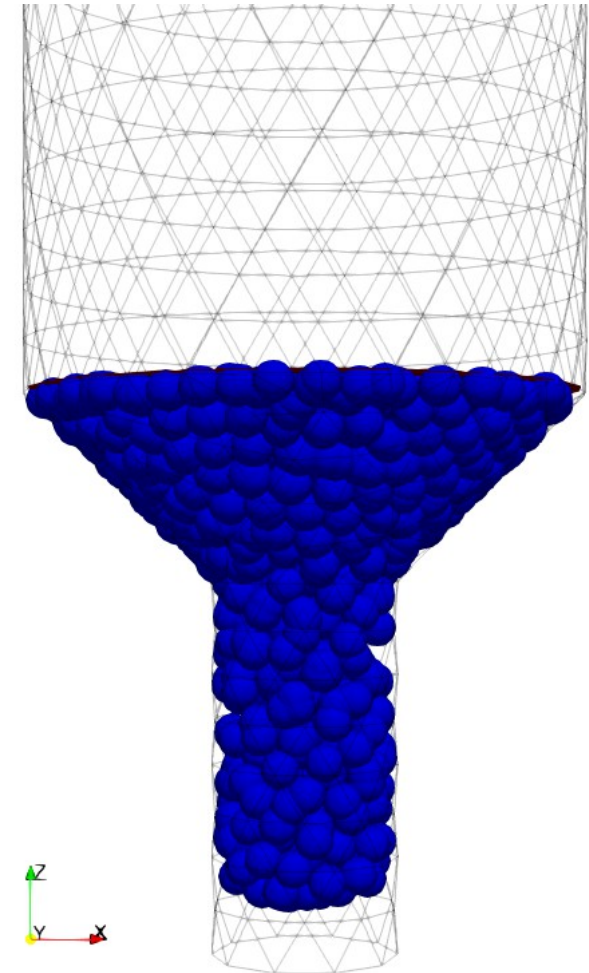
$$\mu(\dot{\gamma}) \Big|_{\dot{\gamma} \rightarrow 0} = \mu'(\omega) \Big|_{\omega \rightarrow 0} = \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{\mu_i}{1 + (\omega\tau_i)^2}$$

$$= \sum_i^4 \mu_i$$

For material 1

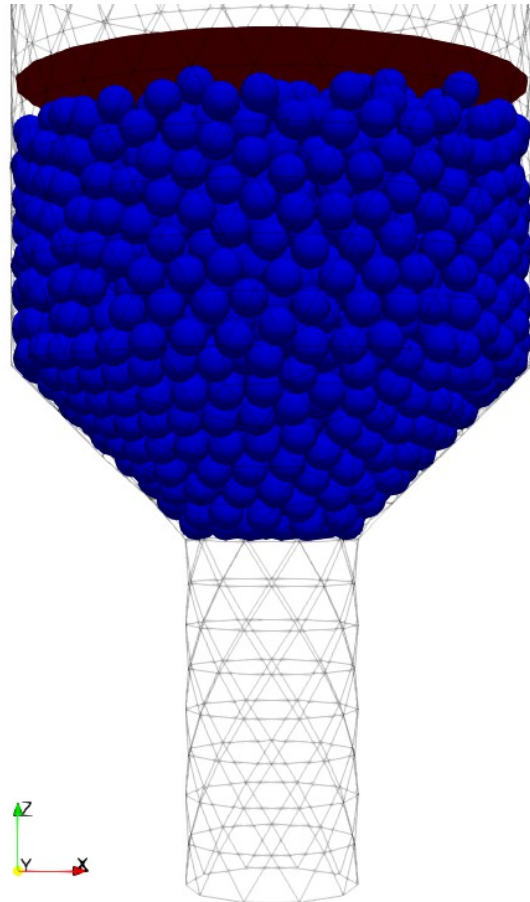


$$\mu_1 = 4256 \text{ Pa s}$$

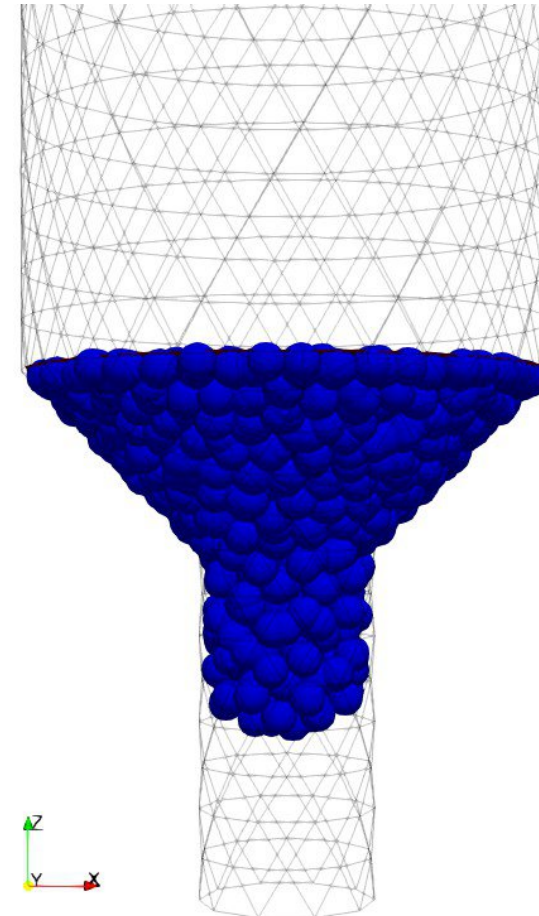




Extrusion simulation material 4



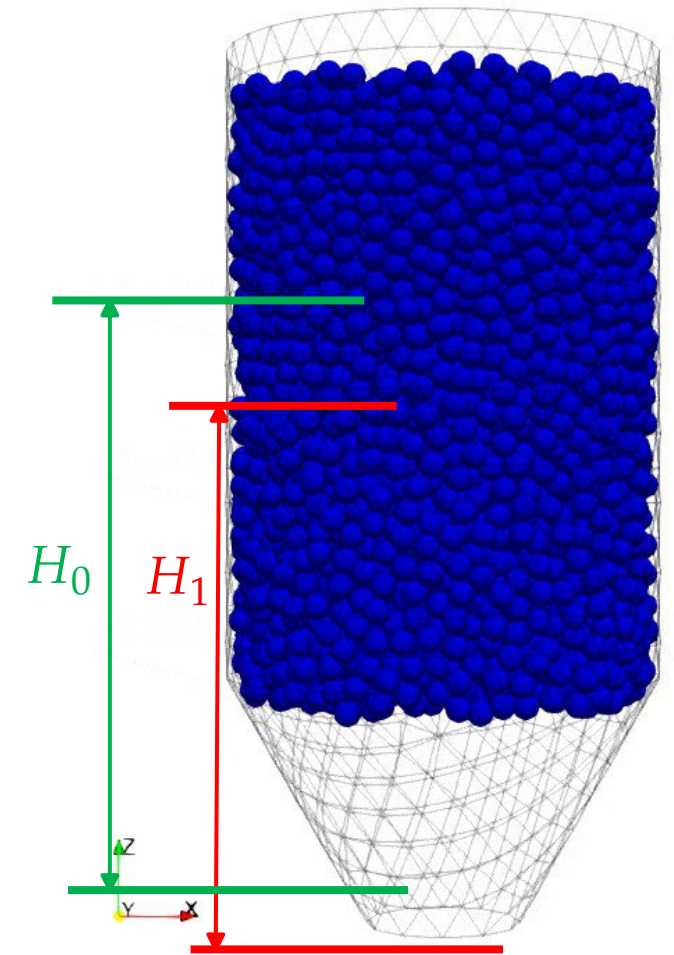
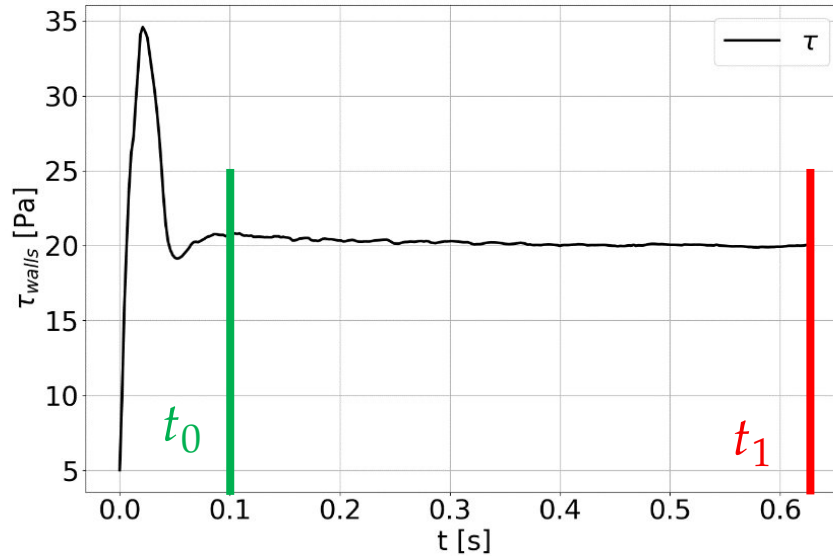
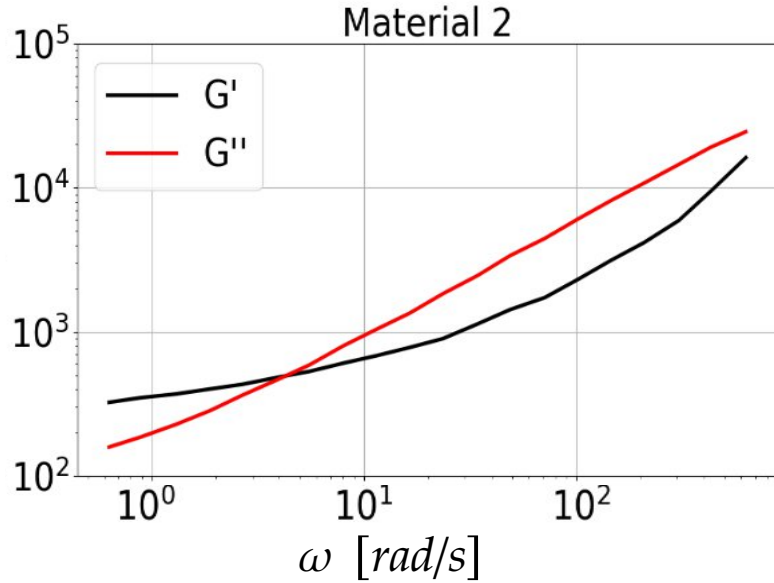
$$\mu'_4 |_{\omega=10} = 1606 \text{ Pa s}$$



$$\mu_4 = 2144 \text{ Pa s}$$



Gravity driven flow material 2



Measured dynamic viscosity:

$$\mu'_{sim} = \frac{\tau_{walls}}{\dot{\epsilon}} = 142.2 \text{ Pa s}, \quad \dot{\epsilon} = \frac{|H_0 - H_1|}{H_0(t_1 - t_0)}$$

Predicted dynamic viscosity:

$$\mu' = \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{\mu_i}{1 + (\omega\tau_i)^2} = 107.9 \text{ Pa s}, \quad \omega = 2\pi\dot{\epsilon}$$



Summary and future work



Obtained results:

- **More robust Generalized Maxwell model to fit rheological properties**
- **Good agreement between simulation and rheometer experiment**
- **Material in process behaves according to predicted properties**

To be improved:

- **High compressibility of material**
- **Calibration for non-rheometer materials**

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The end

Questions?

