



Physical Bases of Dental Material Science

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Structure of matter

Liquids, solids, liquid crystals

Highlights:

- ❖ Viscosity
- ❖ Water and saliva
- ❖ Crystals - apatite
- ❖ Polymorphism
- ❖ Crystal defects
- ❖ Amorphous materials
- ❖ Liquid crystals (Material found in Medical Biophysics!)

E-book Chapters: 4, 5
Medical Biophysics I/3.4.2.

Problems:
Chapter 1.:
22, 23, 32, 33, 34, 35

States of matter - Phases

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	solid	liquid	gas
definite volume	+	+	-
stable shape	+	-	-

Fluids



indefinite shape:

Shape does not recover after deformation, lack of restoring forces.

versus

Solids



definite shape:

Shape recovers after deformation, due to restoring forces.

Fluids

INTERACTIONS
REPULSIVE = ATTRACTIVE

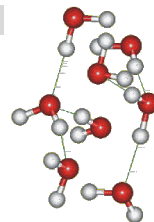
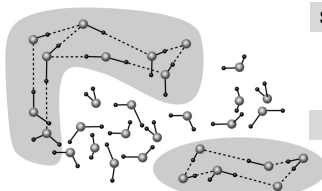
particle movement versus inter-particle bonds



Short range, dynamic order



isotropic

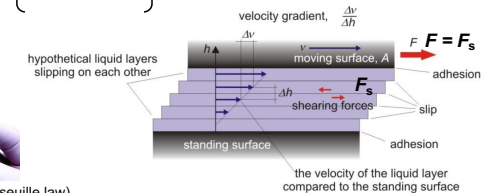


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Viscosity (η) ↔ Fluidity ($1/\eta$)



(later: Hagen-Poiseuille law)



Newton's law of viscosity:

$$F_s = \eta \cdot A \cdot \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta h}$$

viscosity (coefficient of internal friction)
[η] = Pa·s

Another form of Newton's law:

$$\sigma_{shear} = \eta \cdot g_v$$

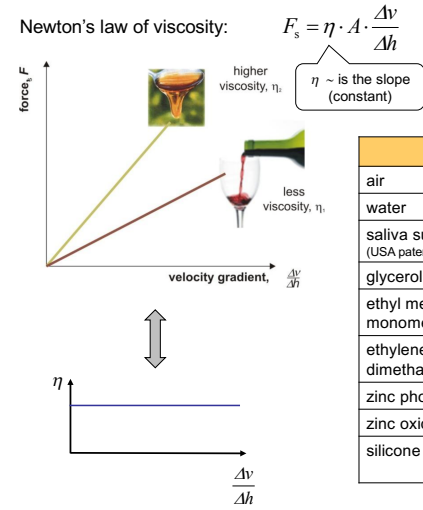
$$\sigma_{shear} = \eta g_v$$

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Rotational viscometer:



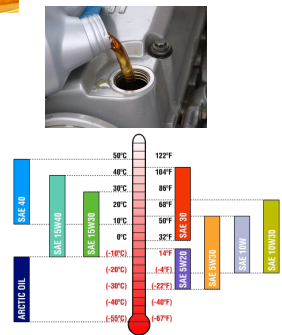
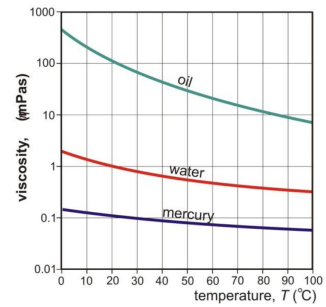
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η depends on:

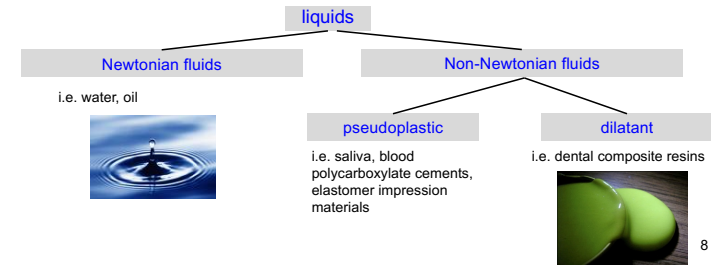
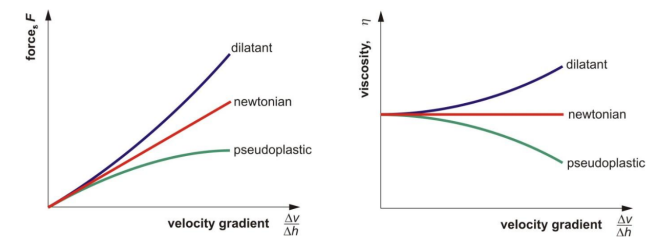
- material quality
- temperature



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η depends on:

- shear forces/velocity gradient



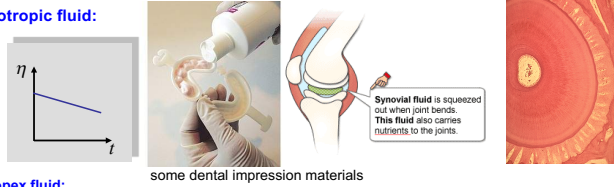
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Bingham-fluid:

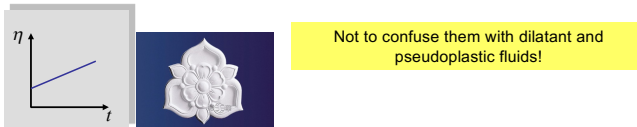


η depends on: • time of mechanical stress

Thixotropic fluid:



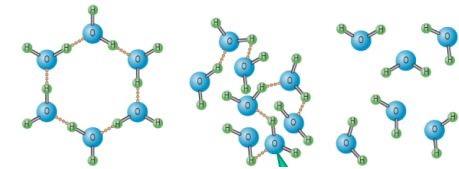
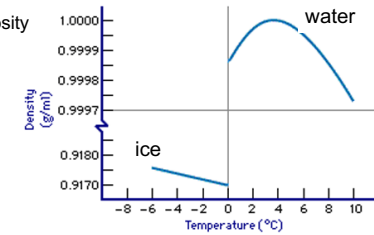
Rheopex fluid:



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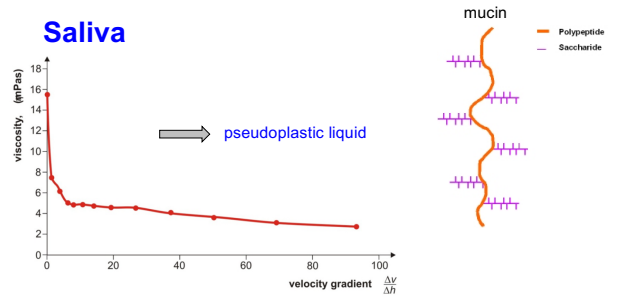
Water

- fluid in a large range of temperature
- relatively low density (1 g/cm^3)
- Newtonian fluid with low viscosity

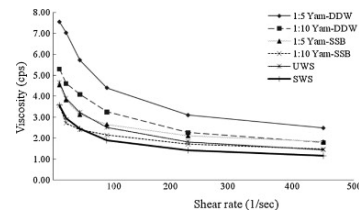


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Saliva

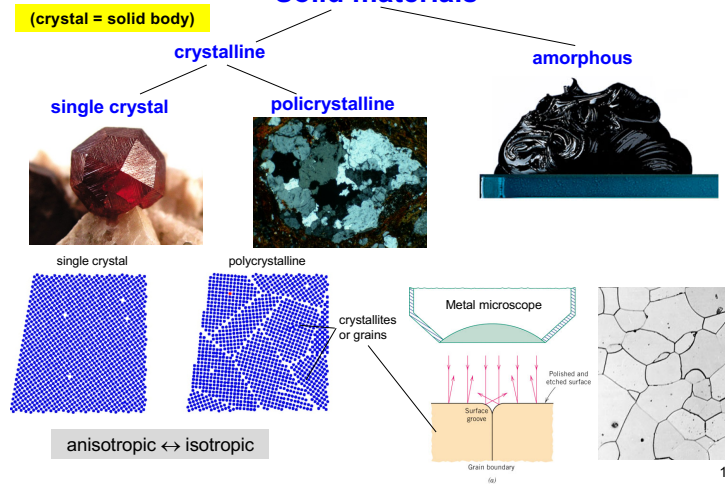


saliva substitutes:



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Solid materials



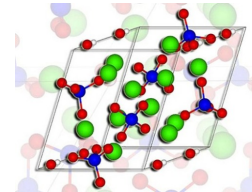
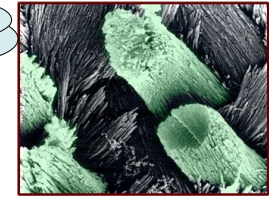
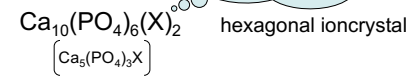
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Apatite

OH⁻ : hydroxyapatite
F⁻ : fluorapatite



Dentin, bone: 20-60 nm x 6 nm crystals
Enamel: 500-1000 nm x 30 nm crystals

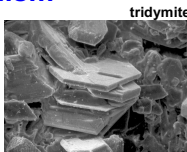


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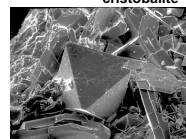
Polymorphism

Examples:

SiO₂

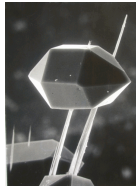


tridymite

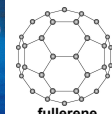
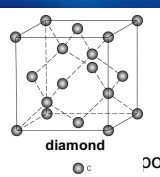
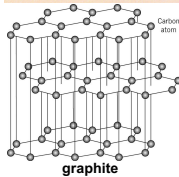
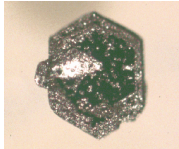


cristobalite

quartz



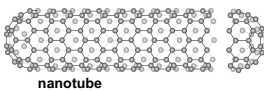
carbon (C)



fullerene



Tin (Sn)



nanotube

diamond

polymorphism of elements = **allotropy**

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Crystal defects

• point defects

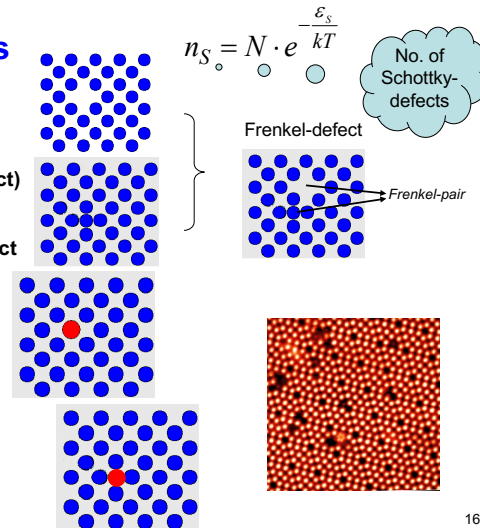
- thermal defect
 - vacancy (Schottky-defect)

- interstitial defect

- Impurity (dopant)

- substitutional impurity atom
- interstitial impurity atom

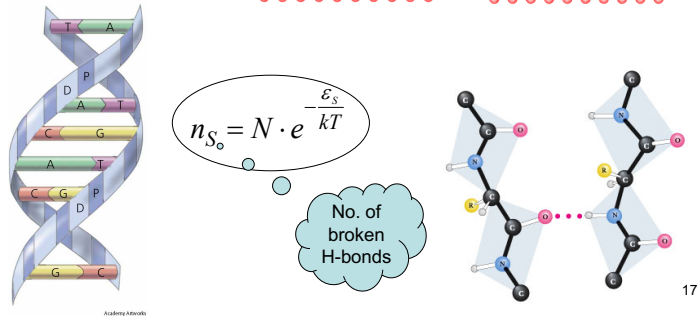
(alloys !!)



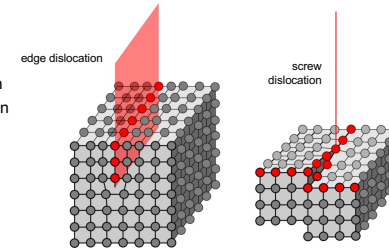
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Generation and diffusion of point defects:

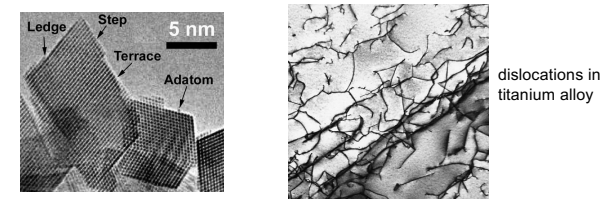
Thermal defects in biomolecules



- Line defects
 - edge dislocation
 - screw dislocation



- planar defects



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Lattice defects strongly influence the properties!

Al_2O_3

i.e. optical properties

+ Cr^{3+}

+ V^{2+}

+ Fe^{2+}

+ $\text{Ti}^{4+} + \text{Fe}^{2+}$

Nal

Nal + Ti

Scintillation crystals for detecting X-ray and gamma rays.

Emits light when irradiated by X-ray!

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i.e. mechanical properties

i.e. chemical properties

$\text{Ca}_{10}(\text{PO}_4)_6(\text{OH})_2 \rightleftharpoons \text{Ca}_{10}(\text{PO}_4)_6\text{F}_2$

hydroxyapatite

fluorapatite

Lower solubility in acids.

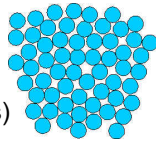
i.e. electronic properties

doped semiconductors

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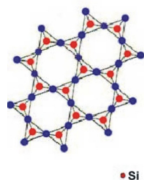
Amorphous materials = glass, glassy materials

- short distance order
- many defects
- no defined shape (flows)
(extreme high viscosity, thus flow is extremely slow)
- hard materials
- isotropic

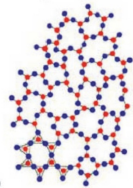


i.e. glass, synthetic resins, wax, asphalt,

crystalline SiO₂



amorphous SiO₂

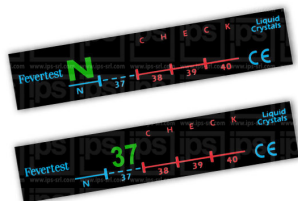
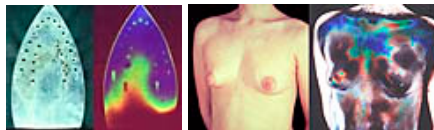


• Si • O

pitch drop experiment



Contact thermography (thermo-optical effect)

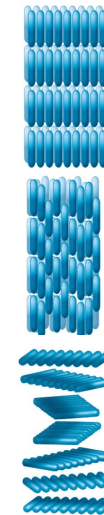
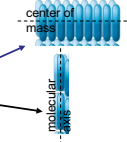
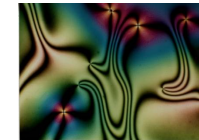


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❖ (Medical Biophysics I/3.4.2.)

Liquid crystals

- anisodimensional molecules
- mesophasic
- partially ordered structure
 - Translational order
 - Orientational order
- fluid
- optically anisotropic
- structure can change according to environment
 - temperature can change the order: *thermotropic liquid crystals*
 - concentration: *lyotropic liquid crystals*



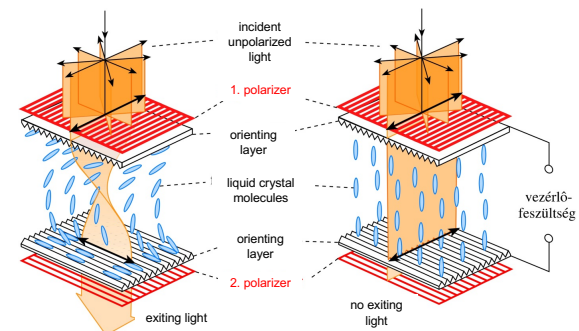
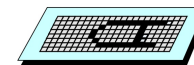
smectic
translational +
orientational order

nematic
only orientational
order

cholesteric
only orientational
order (twisted nematic)

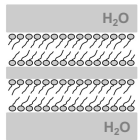
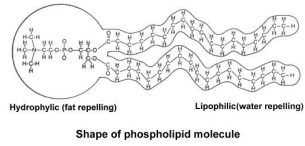
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LCD (electro-optical effect)

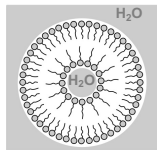


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**Lyotropic
liquid
crystals**



lamellar



liposome

