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and oscillatory rheometry**

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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- the terms and definitions have been moved to ISO 3219-1, the general principles have been moved to ISO 3219-2;
- new terms and definitions have been added;
- [Table 1](#) on symbols has been added.

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Part 1: Vocabulary and symbols for rotational and oscillatory rheometry

1 Scope

This document specifies general terms and definitions that are used in the context of rotational and oscillatory rheometry.

Further terms and definitions can be found in the other parts of the ISO 3219 series where they are used.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

— IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

3.1

absolute value of the complex shear modulus

$|G^*|$

ratio of the amplitude of the *shear stress* τ_0 (3.41) and the amplitude of the *shear strain* γ_0 (3.40)

Note 1 to entry: The absolute value of the complex shear modulus $|G^*|$ has the unit pascal (Pa).

3.2

absolute value of the complex shear viscosity

$|\eta^*|$

ratio of the amount of the complex shear modulus $|G^*|$ (3.1) and the *angular frequency* ω (3.5)

Note 1 to entry: The absolute value of the complex shear viscosity $|\eta^*|$ has the unit pascal multiplied by seconds (Pa·s).

3.3

amplitude sweep

oscillatory test with variable amplitude at a constant *angular frequency* ω (3.5)

3.4

angular displacement

angular deflection

φ

angular measure where the angle is indicated by the length of the arc

Note 1 to entry: The angular displacement has the unit radians (rad).

**3.5
angular frequency**

ω
temporal change of the *angular displacement* φ (3.4) in oscillation

Note 1 to entry: The angular frequency ω has the unit radians per second (rad·s⁻¹) or, since rad is dimensionless (i.e. metre divided by metre), the unit reciprocal seconds (s⁻¹).

Note 2 to entry: The angular frequency ω , in reciprocal seconds (s⁻¹), is linked to the frequency f , in hertz (Hz) or in reciprocal seconds (s⁻¹), via the following relation:

$$\omega = 2\pi \cdot f$$

**3.6
angular velocity**

Ω
temporal change of the *angular displacement* φ (3.4) in rotation

Note 1 to entry: The angular velocity Ω has the unit radians per second (rad·s⁻¹).

Note 2 to entry: The angular velocity Ω , in radians per second (rad·s⁻¹), is linked to rotational speed n , in reciprocal seconds (s⁻¹), via the following relation:

$$\Omega = 2\pi \cdot n$$

**3.7
continuous ramp**

type of test where the specified variable from the initial value to the final value varies monotonously and constantly during the test

Note 1 to entry: The continuous ramp is performed by linear or logarithmic presetting.

Note 2 to entry: An alternative to the continuous ramp is the step ramp (3.46).

**3.8
elastic behaviour
elasticity**

property of a material to show reversible deformation and storage of mechanical energy

**3.9
flow curve**

graphical representation of the relation between *shear stress* τ (3.41) and *shear rate* $\dot{\gamma}$ (3.38)

**3.10
frequency**

f
oscillation per unit of time

Note 1 to entry: The frequency f has the unit hertz (Hz), where 1 Hz is 1 oscillation per second.

Note 2 to entry: The frequency f , in hertz (Hz) or in reciprocal seconds (s⁻¹), is linked to the *angular frequency* ω (3.5) in reciprocal seconds (s⁻¹) via the following formula:

$$f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi}$$

**3.11
frequency sweep**

oscillatory test (3.24) with variable *angular frequency* ω (3.5) at a constant amplitude

3.12**ideal-elastic behaviour
Hookean behaviour**

property of a material to show an immediate, fully reversible recovery after *deformation* (3.47)

3.13**in-phase component of the complex shear viscosity
dynamic viscosity** η'

real part of the complex shear viscosity η^*

Note 1 to entry: The dynamic viscosity η' has the unit pascal multiplied by seconds (Pa·s).

3.14**kinematic viscosity** ν

ratio of *shear viscosity* η (3.42) and density ρ

Note 1 to entry: The kinematic viscosity ν has the unit square metres per second ($\text{m}^2\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$).

3.15**laminar flow**

flow where infinitesimally thin layers are moved in parallel to each other

Note 1 to entry: All calculations of rheological parameters for absolute measuring geometries (see ISO 3219-2) only apply on the assumption of laminar flow.

3.16**linear viscoelastic range****LVR**

range where the *shear strain* γ (3.40) is proportional to the *shear stress* τ (3.41)

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3.17**linearity limit** $[\tau_L, \gamma_L]$

point on the curve $\tau(\gamma)$ or $\gamma(\tau)$, above which the ratio of *shear stress* τ (3.41) and *shear strain* γ (3.40) is not anymore constant

Note 1 to entry: The linearity limit is given as shear stress τ_L with the unit pascal (Pa) and as shear strain γ_L which is dimensionless.

3.18**loss angle****phase angle** δ

phase shift between *shear stress* τ (3.41) and *shear strain* γ (3.40) at a harmonic steady-state excitation

Note 1 to entry: The loss angle δ has the unit degrees (°) or radians (rad).

3.19**loss factor****damping factor** $\tan \delta$

ratio of *shear loss modulus* G'' (3.36) and *shear storage modulus* G' (3.39)

Note 1 to entry: The loss factor $\tan \delta$ is dimensionless.

3.20

Newtonian flow behaviour ideal-viscous flow behaviour

behaviour where the *shear viscosity* η (3.42) is independent of *shear rate* $\dot{\gamma}$ (3.38), *shear stress* τ (3.41) and time t

3.21

Newtonian standard sample

sample of a Newtonian liquid whose viscosity values and its traceability to a national measurement standard for the viscosity unit have been documented

3.22

non-Newtonian flow behaviour

behaviour where the *shear viscosity* η (3.42) is dependent on *shear rate* $\dot{\gamma}$ (3.38), *shear stress* τ (3.41) and/or time t

3.23

normal force

F_n

force acting perpendicularly to the surface of a volume element

Note 1 to entry: The normal force F_n has the unit newton (N).

Note 2 to entry: Normal forces can either be triggered by *shear deformation* (3.40) of the sample or be applied by the rheometer. In addition to this, not shear induced normal forces can be caused by the sample preparation or by changes during the measurement (e.g. swelling, drying, and shrinking).

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3.24

oscillatory test

test where both shear planes of the measuring geometry harmonically oscillate around the same axis of rotation

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3.25

oscillatory test with controlled (shear) strain oscillatory test with controlled (shear) deformation oscillatory test with CD

oscillatory test where the amplitude of the *shear deformation* γ_0 (3.40) and the *angular frequency* ω (3.5) are given

3.26

oscillatory test with controlled (shear) stress oscillatory test with CS

oscillatory test where the amplitude of the *shear stress* τ_0 (3.41) and the *angular frequency* ω (3.5) are given

3.27

out-of-phase component of the complex shear viscosity

η''

imaginary part of the complex shear viscosity η^*

Note 1 to entry: The out-of-phase component of the complex shear viscosity η'' has the unit pascal multiplied by second (Pa·s).

3.28

rheology

science of *deformation* (3.47) behaviour and flow behaviour of materials

3.29

rheometry

part of *rheology* (3.28) that covers the measurement of *deformation* (3.47) behaviour and flow behaviour of materials

3.30**rheopexy
rheoplectic behaviour**

reversible, time-dependent increase of *shear viscosity* η (3.42) at a constant *shear rate* $\dot{\gamma}$ (3.38) or *shear stress* τ (3.41)

3.31**rotational speed
rotational frequency**

n

number of rotations per unit time

Note 1 to entry: The rotational speed n has the SI unit reciprocal seconds (s^{-1}), in practice it is often given in reciprocal minutes (min^{-1}).

3.32**rotational test**

test where both shear planes of the measuring geometry are rotating relative to each other around the same axis of rotation

3.33**rotational test with controlled (shear) rate
rotational test with CR**

rotational test where the *shear rate* $\dot{\gamma}$ (3.38) is given as a function of time t

Note 1 to entry: In case there is no absolute measuring geometry (see ISO 3219-2) used, it is a speed-controlled *rotational test* (3.32).

3.34**rotational test with controlled (shear) stress
rotational test with CS**

rotational test where the *shear stress* τ (3.41) is given as a function of time t

Note 1 to entry: In case there is no absolute measuring geometry (see ISO 3219-2) used, it is a torque-controlled *rotational test* (3.32).

3.35**shear compliance**

J

ratio of *shear deformation* γ (3.40) and *shear stress* τ (3.41)

Note 1 to entry: The shear compliance J is the reverse of the *shear modulus* G (3.37).

Note 2 to entry: The shear compliance J has the unit reciprocal pascal (Pa^{-1}).

3.36**shear loss modulus
viscous shear modulus**

G''

measure of the *viscous behaviour* (3.54) of a viscoelastic material

Note 1 to entry: The shear loss modulus G'' has the unit pascal (Pa).

Note 2 to entry: The shear loss modulus G'' is the imaginary part of the complex shear modulus G^* .

3.37**shear modulus**

G

ratio of *shear stress* τ (3.41) and *shear strain* γ (3.40)

Note 1 to entry: The shear modulus G has the unit pascal (Pa).

3.38

shear rate
shear strain rate
shear deformation rate

$\dot{\gamma}$

time dependent change of the *shear strain* γ (3.40)

Note 1 to entry: The shear rate $\dot{\gamma}$ has the unit reciprocal seconds (s^{-1}).

3.39

shear storage modulus
elastic shear modulus

G'

measure of the *elastic behaviour* (3.8) of a viscoelastic material

Note 1 to entry: The shear storage modulus G' has the unit pascal (Pa).

Note 2 to entry: The shear storage modulus G' is the real part of the complex shear modulus G^* .

3.40

shear strain
shear deformation

γ

deformation of the sample caused by tangential displacement

Note 1 to entry: The shear strain γ is dimensionless. Alternatively, it is stated as a percentage (%), where 100 % = 1.

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3.41

shear stress

τ

ratio of tangentially acting force and shear plane

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Note 1 to entry: The shear stress τ has the unit pascal (Pa).

Note 2 to entry: An alternative symbol is σ .

3.42

shear viscosity

η

ratio of *shear stress* τ (3.41) and *shear rate* $\dot{\gamma}$ (3.38):

$$\eta = \frac{\tau}{\dot{\gamma}}$$

Note 1 to entry: The shear viscosity η has the unit pascal multiplied by seconds (Pa·s).

3.43

shear-thickening flow behaviour
dilatant flow behaviour

property of a material to show increasing *steady-state shear viscosity* η_{st} (3.45) with increasing *shear rate* $\dot{\gamma}$ (3.38) or *shear stress* τ (3.41)

3.44

shear-thinning flow behaviour
pseudoplastic flow behaviour

property of a material to show decreasing *steady-state shear viscosity* η_{st} (3.45) with increasing *shear rate* $\dot{\gamma}$ (3.38) or *shear stress* τ (3.41)