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Characterization and Modeling to Design and Develop Tailored-Property Filled-Glass Composites

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Glass bonding/joining Applications

- Glass-bonded composites
 - Glass-bonded alumina
- Seals
 - Hermetic glass-to-metal (GtM) seals
 - Air bag igniters
 - Medical implants
 - Microelectronics
 - Solid oxide fuel cells (SOFCs)



*Feedthroughs for pressure & flow sensors



*Airbag igniter feedthroughs *Schott Electronic Packaging



Filled-Glass Composites (FGCs) Have The Processability Of A Glass With The Properties Of A Ceramic



20°C/

20min

.i₂SiO₄ SiO₂

Time (min)

40 µm

glass-like ceramic-like Glass 000% + Processability 20min 815°C Temp (°C) Li₃PO₄ 800°C + Materials compatibility - Low/fixed CTE 650°C/15ml Li₂Si₂O₅ - Low toughness/crack tolerance Nucleation/Crystallization of different phases Glass-Ceramic (GC) + Toughness/crack tolerance Headley & Loehman, "Crystallization of a Glass-Ceramic by + High/Tunable CTE Epitaxial Growth", J Am Ceram Soc, 67 [9] 620-25 (1984). - Process sensitivity Reactivity/Instability SS Filled-Glass Composite (FGC) GC + Process robustness 60 µm + Toughness/Crack tolerance + Low to high/tunable CTE SS + Chemical/structural stability **GC** K G Ewsuk – Composites Lake Louise-2015 – November 10, 2015 4





Objectives

- Develop experimentally-validated modeling/simulation tools to:
 - Predict/control glass chemistry-structure-property relations.
 - Design & process filled-glass composites (FGCs).

Approach

- Characterize & model glass chemistry-structure-property relations.
 - Predict glass chemistry-structure relations with MD modeling.
 - Characterize glass chemistry-structure (NN distance & NMR peak shifts).
- Characterize & model FGC processing & properties.
 - Design FGCs using mixing models.
 - Characterize glass & FGC wetting/interactions on stainless steel (SS).
 - Characterize glass & FGC viscosity for process modeling.
- Test, refine, & validate modeling/simulation by comparison to experiment



BAS Glasses Were Simulated With The LAMMPS** MD Code & Pedone* Multicomponent Force Field





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*A Pedone et al., "A new self-consistent empirical interatomic potential model for oxides, silicates, and silica-based glasses", J Phys Chem B, **110**, 11780-11795 (2006).

S Plimpton, "Fast Parallel Algorithms for Short-Range Molecular-Dynamics, J Comp Phys, **117 [1], 1-19 (1995).





Model Predictions Of Chemistry-Structure Relations Were Tested & Validated By Comparison To Theory



Glass	g/mole	Mole % Al ₂ O ₃	NBO _{Th} (%)	NBO _{MD} (%)	Connectivity _™ (BO/NF)
BAS 8	91.1	0	40.0	39.5	1.50
BAS 1	83.4	0	28.6	28.0	1.67
BAS 2	85.5	5	22.2	22.1	1.75
BAS 3	89.7	15	10.5	13.6	1.89



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ΤοοΙ	Nearest Neighbor (NN) Distances	NN Assignments	Coordination Number (CN)	Non-Bridging Oxygens (NBOs)	Glasses
Model	Y	Y	Y	Bond Angle Distributions, BO's/ NBO's	BAS 1-3,8
aPDF	Y	Inferred from crystallography			BAS 1-3,8
NMR	Trends for Si & Al			Order/Disorder Trends	BAS 1-3,8
EXAFS	Y	Y (Ba)	Y (Ba)		BAS 1-3,8



Measured aPDF Peaks Are Consistent With Nearest Neighbor (NN) Distances From MD Simulations







²⁹Si MAS-NMR Q₃ & Q₄ Peaks Are Accurately Predicted From MD Coordinates, But The Q₃:Q₄ Ratio Differs



²⁹Si Chemical Shift (ppm)



 $\delta(^{29}\text{Si}) = 701.6\Omega - 45.7$

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MD Simulations Show A Higher Relative Concentration Of Glass Network Modifiers On The Glass Surface







Filled-Glass Composite (FGC) Properties Are Consistent With Model Predicted Trends





Material	Measured CTE (ppm/C)	Predicted CTE (ppm/C)
Glass	9.9	9.9
10v% FGC	10.5	10.4
20v% FGC	11.0	11.0



Viscosity Data Will Enable The Use Of Process Modeling To Optimize FGC Designs For Manufacturability







NLPS Model





Ewsuk & Harrison, Ceramic Trans, 1995



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Sessile Drop Data Were Analyzed

To Better Quantify Differences In Viscous Behavior



1. First shrinkage or sintering: Temperature pressed sample starts to shrink $(\log \eta = 10.0 \pm 0.3 \text{ P})$.

2. **Point of maximum shrinkage**: Temperature of maximum sample shrinkage before it starts to soften ($\log \eta = 8.2 \pm 0.5$ P).

3. **Softening point**: Temperature of first signs of softening (disappearance or rounding of edges of the sample ($\log \eta = 6.1 \pm 0.2$ P).

4. Half ball point: Temperature at which sample forms a (log η =4.6±0.1 P). 5. Flow point: Temperature of maximum height of the drop of molten glass (log η =4.1–4.3 P).

Scholze, "Influence of viscosity and surface tension on hot-stage microscopy measurements on glasses," *Ver. Dtsch. Keram. Ges.*, 1962, **391**, 63–8.)



Pascual, et al., Phys. Chem. Glasses (2001) 42[1] 61-66.

The Filler Addition Increases FGC Viscosity And Decrease FGC Reactivity Relative To The Glass







Oxidizing The Stainless Steel

Enhances Initial Wetting And Reaction







Experimentally-Validated Modeling Is Being Developed To Enable Advanced FGC Design And Fabrication



Summary

Characterized & Modeled Glass Chemistry-Structure.

- Good modelling-experiment first-order agreement.
 - MD efficient to assess bulk glass chemistry-structure.
- Interface modeling consistent with expectations
 - Higher surface concentration of network modifiers.

Characterized & Modeled FGC Properties & Processing.

Measured CTE & viscosity trend as predicted by modeling.

- Wetting & reactivity are consistent with expectations
 - Higher viscosity & lower reactivity FGCs relative to glass.
 - Initial wetting & reactivity are enhanced on oxidized SS.



