LAOS with MITlaos: What I did This Summer

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Large Amplitude Oscillatory Shear



Apply sinusoidally oscillating shear strain. Measure stress response.

Elastic components = $f(\gamma)$ $\gamma(t) = \gamma_0 \sin(\omega t)$ Viscous components = $f(\gamma)$ $\dot{\gamma}(t) = \gamma_0 \omega \cos(\omega t)$

$$\tau(t; \omega, \gamma_{o}) = \gamma_{o} \{ \sum_{i} G_{i}^{"} \cos(i\omega t) + G_{i}^{'} \sin(i\omega t) \}$$
Fourier Transform
(Due to symmetry even
harmonics drop out)
$$\tau(t; \omega, \gamma_{o}) \equiv \tau_{even}(\gamma(t)) + \tau_{odd}(\gamma(t))$$
$$T_{i} \text{ is a Chebyshev Polynomial}$$
$$T_{i}(y) \equiv T_{i}(\cos \omega t) = \cos(i\omega t)$$

Elastic Components

$$\tau_{even} = \gamma_{o} \sum_{i=1}^{N} e_{i} T_{i}(x)$$

$$x \equiv \gamma(t) / \gamma_{o} = \sin(\omega t)$$

$$e_{1} \rightarrow G'(\omega)$$

Viscous Components

$$\tau_{odd} = \gamma_{o}\omega \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_{i}T_{i}(y)$$

$$y \equiv \dot{\gamma(t)} / (\gamma_{o}\omega) = \cos(\omega t)$$

$$v_{1} \rightarrow G''(\omega)$$

MITlaos Demo





About Drilling Fluids

Material Components: Mineral Oil base Suspension of Barite Particles (average~25 micron, range: 1 to >200 micron) (Drilling Fluid #1 has Manganese Tetraoxide)

Complex Fluid Properties: slip, Yield stress, Thixotropy,

Original Setup: -50 mm Peltier Plate -Sandpaper: Grid 600 -0.2 - 0.5 mm Gap



Current Setup:

- -25 mm Peltier Plate
- -Sandpaper: Grid 600
- -0.50 mm Gap
- -30 mm ring w/vacuum grease





Thixotropic Loop Test

- 1) Pre-shear of 1022 s⁻¹ for 60s
- 2) Wait 10 s or 10 min
- 3) Upsweep: Linearly increase Shear Rate from 0 to 1000 s⁻¹ over 450s
- 4) Downsweep: Linearly decrease Shear Rate back down to 0 s⁻¹ over 450s





