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## 1 Scope

This document covers a test method for the determination of glass transition temperature (GTT) of polymers by differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) or differential thermal analysis (DTA).

This test method is applicable to polymers in granular form (below 60 mesh, < 250  $\mu$ , avoiding grinding if possible) or to any fabricated shape from which appropriate samples can be cut.

This test method is useful for specification acceptance.

This test method determines the structural behaviour of a polymer according to the variations of temperatures.

## 2 Terms and definitions

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

### 2.1

### differential scanning calorimetry (DSC)

differential scanning calorimetry can be carried out according to two principles, depending on the method of measurement used

Power compensation differential scanning calorimetry records in function of time or temperature the required power to maintain a zero temperature difference between the polymer and an inert reference, when they are subjected to a controlled temperature program (Power-compensation DSC).

Heat-flux differential scanning calorimetry records in function of time or temperature the difference of heat-flux diffusing between the sample holder, the reference holder and the testing unit of the equipment (Heat-flux DSC).

For the two principles, the recording chart gives a DSC curve with, at the Y-axis, the heat flow and, at the X-axis, the temperature or time.

#### 2.2

#### differential thermal analysis (DTA)

differential thermal analysis records the temperature difference between the polymer sample and an inert reference, while they are subjected to a controlled temperature program

The recording chart gives a DTA curve with, at the Y-axis, the temperature difference between the sample and the reference and, at the X-axis, the temperature or time.

### 3 Test principle

The test method consists of heating or cooling the sample at a controlled rate in a controlled atmosphere.

A suitable sensing device monitors continuously:

- temperature difference between the sample and the reference for differential thermal analysis;
- power or heat-flux changes for differential scanning calorimetry.

Glass transition of the sample is characterized on the recording chart by a change of the baseline during the heating or the cooling.

The test shall be carried out under an inert blanket (nitrogen) to avoid any reaction of the sample with air during the temperature cycle. The output of the inert gas shall be controlled by a flowmeter.

In addition, some polymers can react near the transition temperature; care shall be used to distinguish between reaction and transition.