

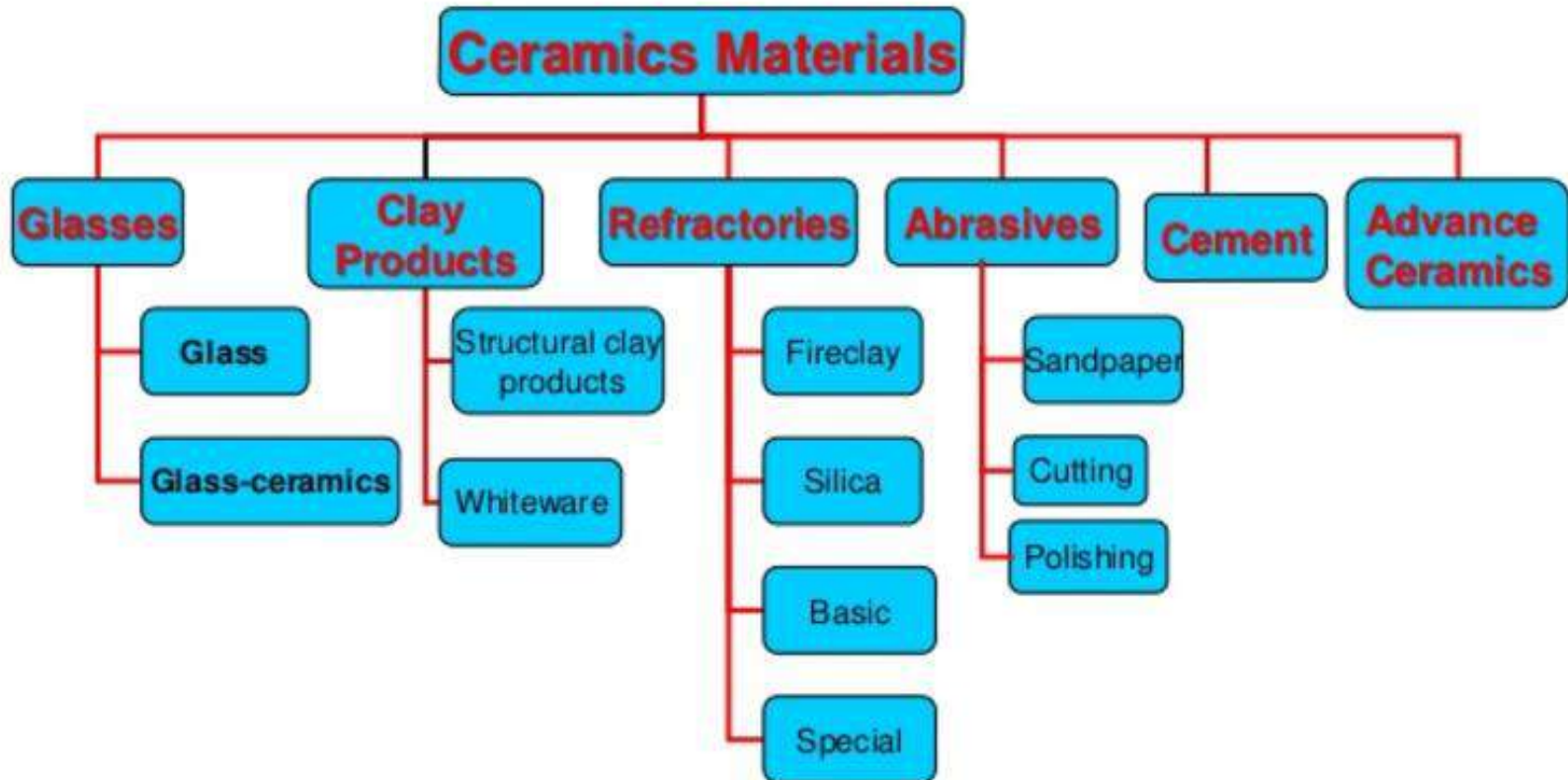
**MME 3307**  
**Glass and Glass ceramics**

Part 1

# Outline

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- Glass types
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  - Lead glasses
  - Heat-resistant/borosilicate glasses
  - High purity silica glasses
  - Specialty glass
- Glass manufacturing Process
- Glass forming
- Heat treating Glasses
  - Annealing glass
  - Tempering glass

# Taxonomy of Ceramics



# Glasses

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- *A glass can be defined as an inorganic product which has cooled to rigid structure without crystallization.*
- Glass is hard material normally fragile and transparent common in our life.
- ❑ **Glass-ceramics** have an **amorphous phase** and **one or more crystalline phases** and are produced by a so called "**controlled crystallization**" in contrast to a spontaneous crystallization
- ❑ **Glass-ceramics** are mostly produced in two steps:
  - ✓ First, a glass is formed by a glass manufacturing process.
  - ✓ The glass is cooled down and is then reheated in a second step. *In this heat treatment the glass partly crystallizes*
- ❑ Two prime characteristics of glass are their optical transparency and the relative ease with which they may be fabricated.

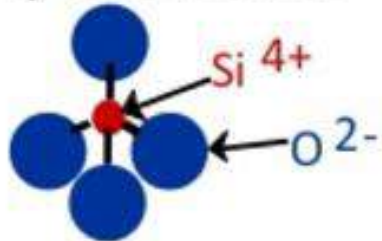
## Amorphous Ceramics (Glasses)

- ❑ Main ingredient is Silica ( $\text{SiO}_2$ )
- ❑ If cooled very slowly will form crystalline structure.
- ❑ If cooled more quickly will form amorphous structure consisting of disordered and linked chains of Silicon and Oxygen atoms.
- ❑ This accounts for its transparency as it is the crystal boundaries that scatter the light, causing reflection.
- ❑ Glass can be tempered to increase its toughness and resistance to cracking.

# Glass Structure

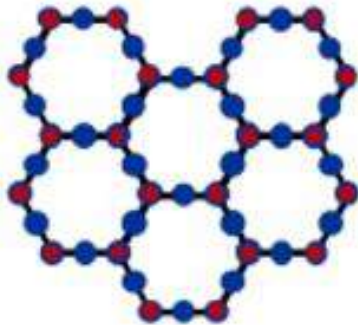
- Basic Unit:

$\text{SiO}_4^{4-}$  tetrahedron

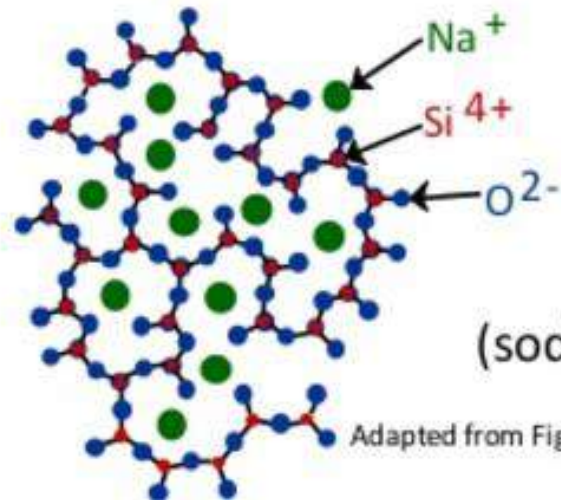


- Quartz is **crystalline**

$\text{SiO}_2$ :



- Glass is **amorphous**
- Amorphous structure occurs by adding impurities ( $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Al}^{3+}$ )
- Impurities: interfere with formation of crystalline structure.

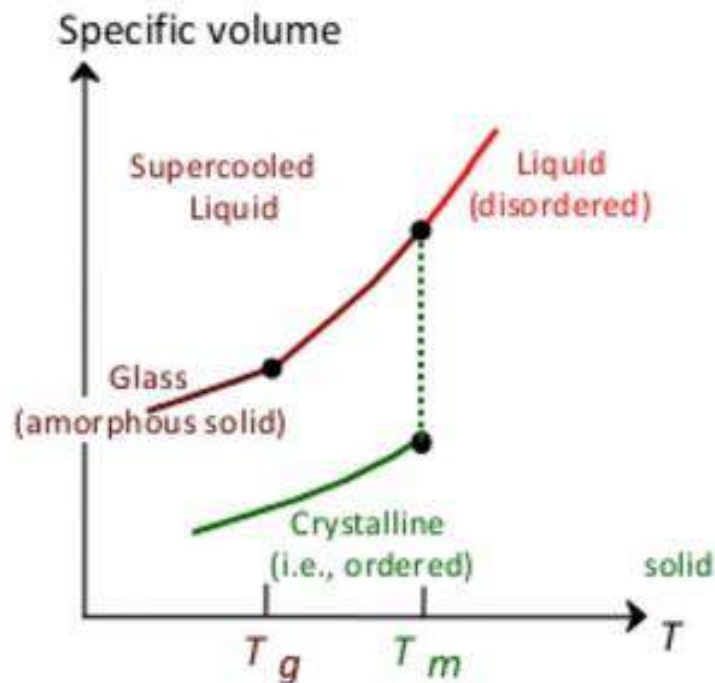


(soda glass)

Adapted from Fig. 12.11, Callister, 7e.

# Glass Properties

## □ Specific volume ( $1/\rho$ ) vs Temperature ( $T$ ):



Adapted from Fig. 13.6, Callister, 7e.

## □ Crystalline materials:

- crystallize at melting temp,  $T_m$
- have abrupt change in spec. vol. at  $T_m$

## • Glasses:

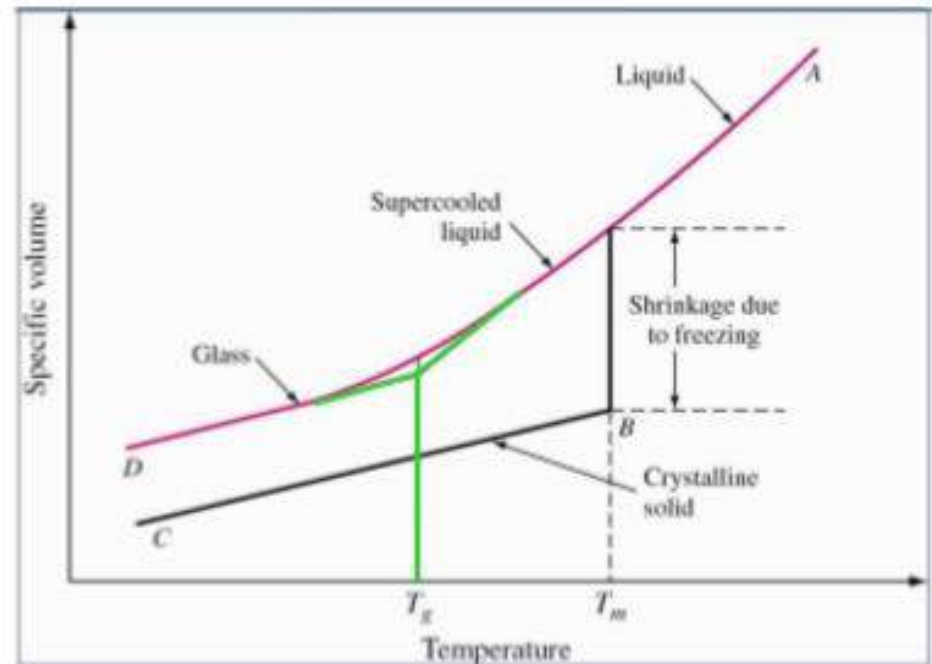
- do not crystallize
- change in slope in spec. vol. curve at glass transition temperature,  $T_g$ 
  - transparent
  - no crystals to scatter light

## Glass transition temperature ( $T_g$ )

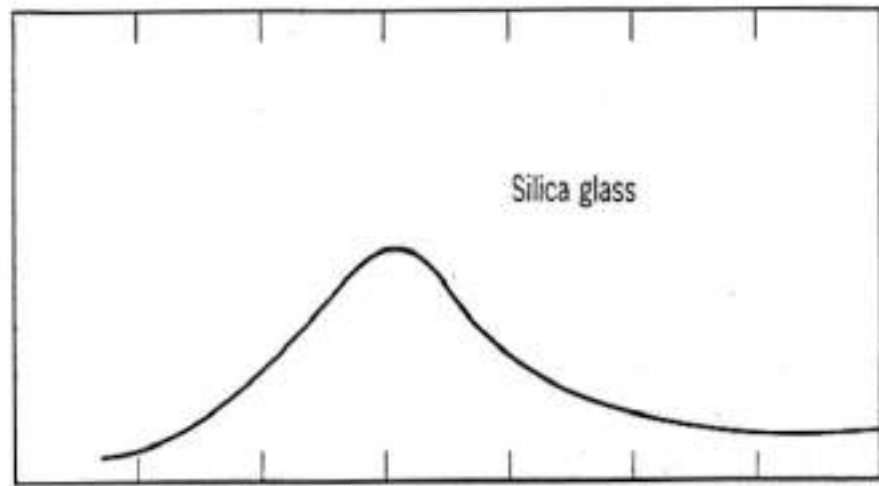
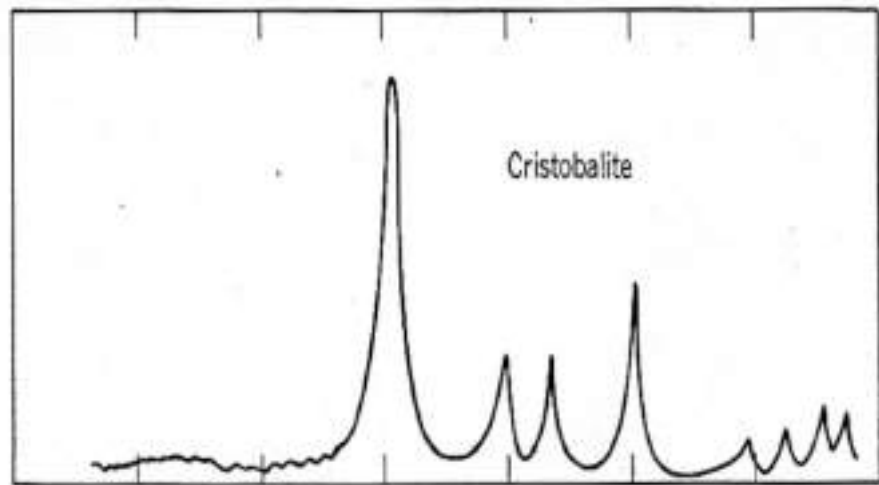
- Unlike solidified metal, a glass liquid does not crystallize but follow an **AD** path.



- The faster cooling rate, the higher values of  $T_g$ .

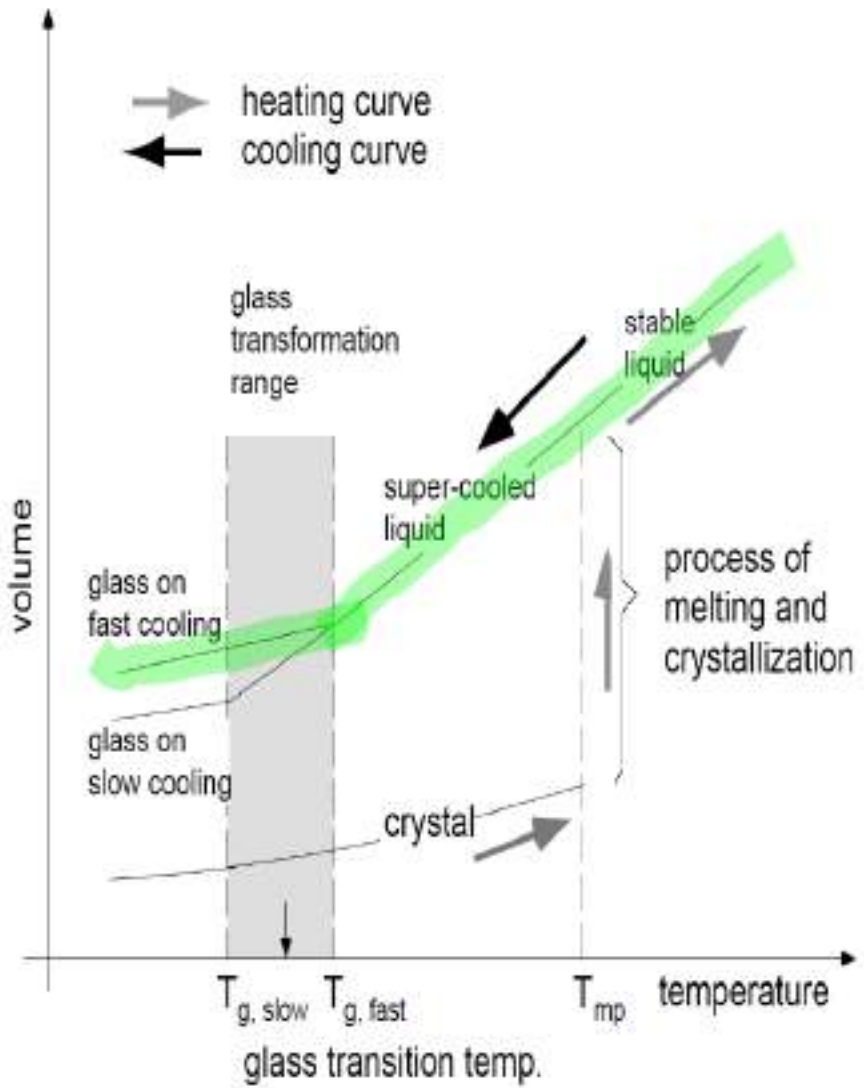
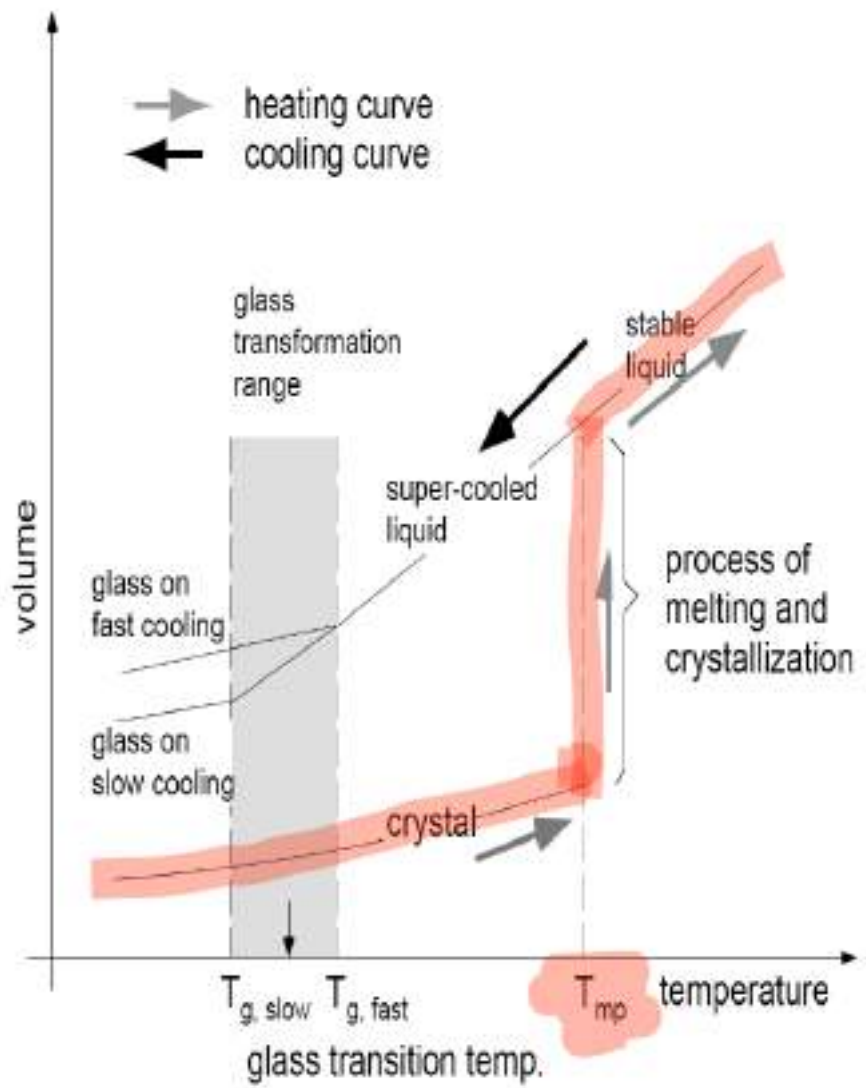


*Solidification of crystalline and amorphous materials showing a change in specific volume*



0 0.04 0.08 0.12 0.16 0.20 0.24 0.28  
 $\frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda}$  →  
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## Viscous deformation of glasses

- Glass remains its viscous (supercooled) liquid above  $T_g$ .

Temp  $>$   $T_g$   Viscosity 

- Viscous above  $T_g$  and viscosity **decreases** with increase in temperature.

$$\eta = \eta_0 e^{+Q/RT}$$

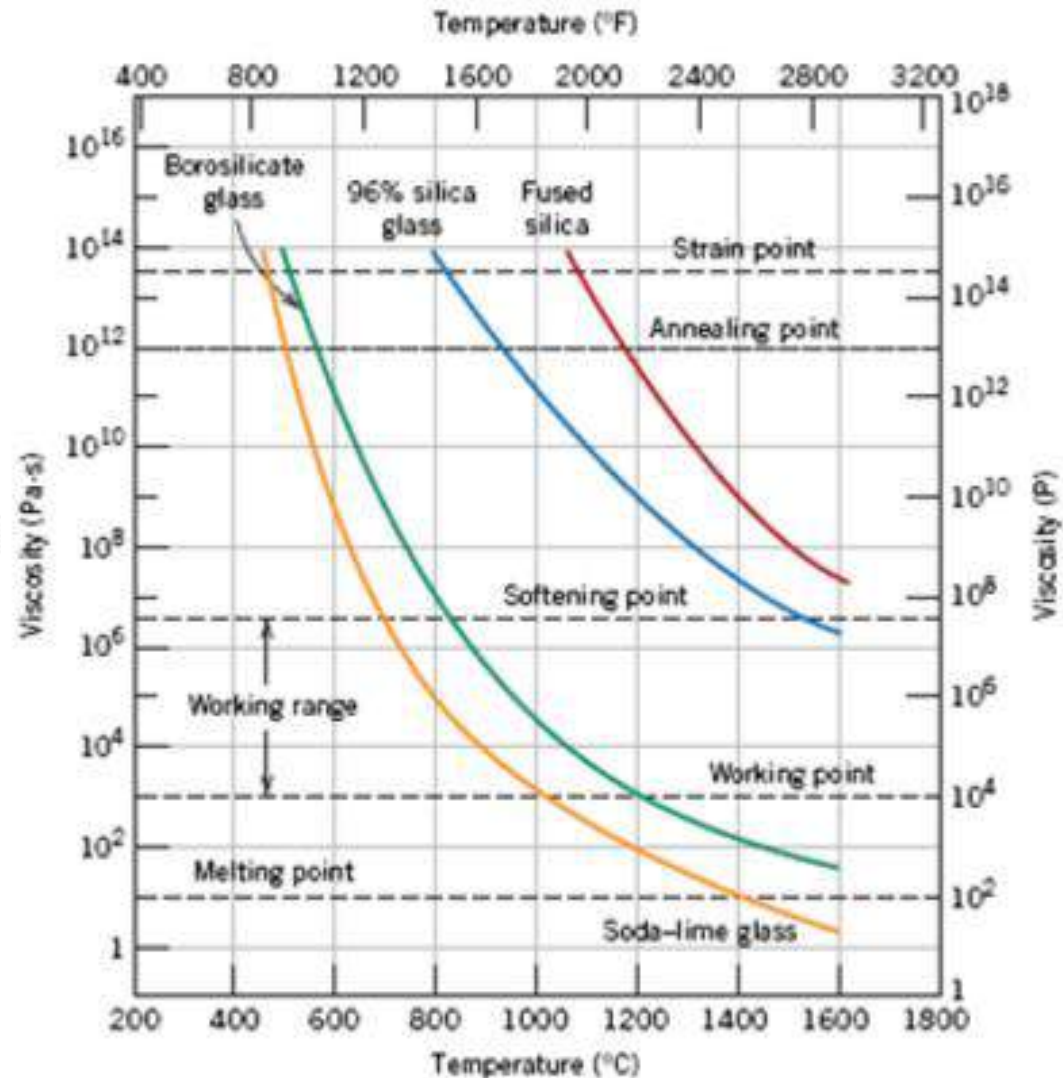
$\eta$  = viscosity of the glass

$\eta_0$  = pre-exponential constant

$Q$  = molar activation energy for viscous flow

$R$  = gas constant

$T$  = absolute temperature



- Working point: 10<sup>3</sup> PaS – glass fabrication can be carried out
- Softening point: 10<sup>7</sup> PaS – glass flows under its own weight.
- Annealing point: 10<sup>12</sup> PaS – Internal stresses can be relieved..
- Strain point: 10<sup>13.5</sup> PaS – glass is rigid below this point.

# Glass Properties: Viscosity vs. T and Impurities

- Viscosity decreases with  $T$

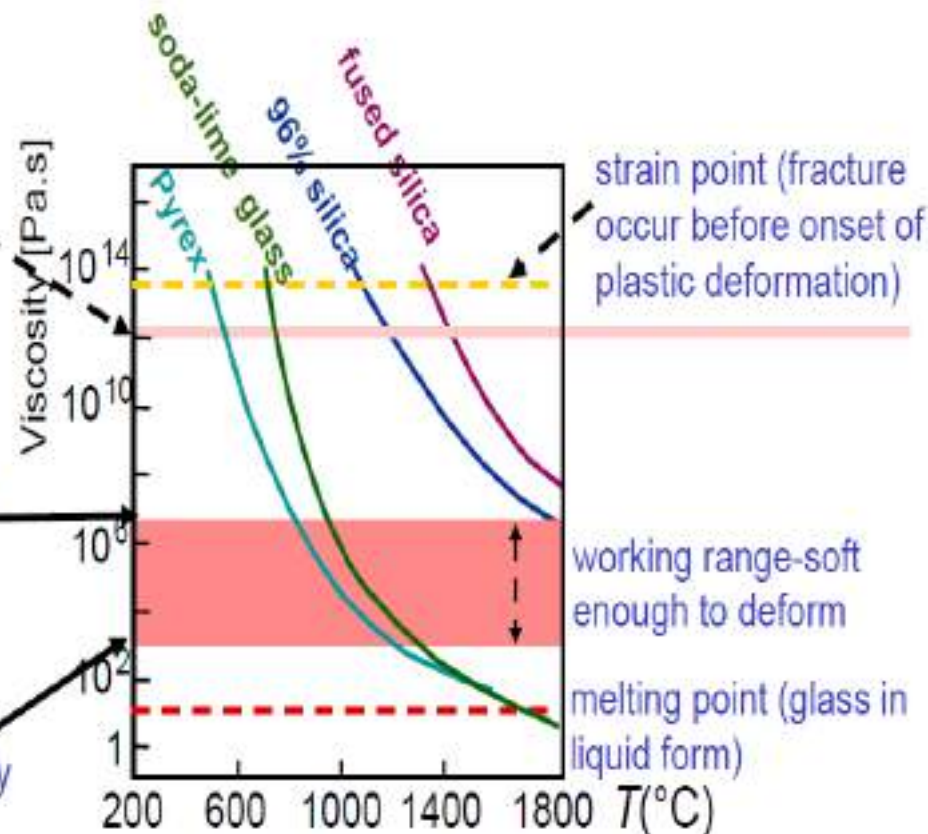


important factor in glass forming process is **viscosity- temperature characteristic**

annealing range  
(atomic diffusion  
rapid-residual stress  
removed within 15  
min)

softening point (glass piece  
can be handled without  
causing significant  
dimensional alteration)

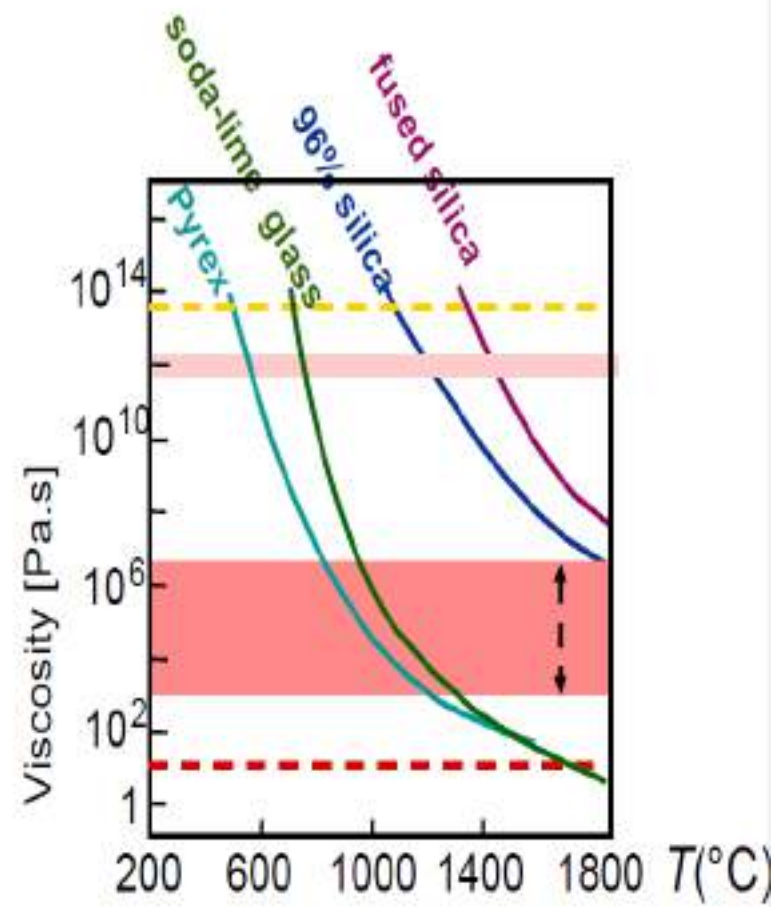
working point (glass is easily  
deform at this viscosity)





# Glass Viscosity vs. T and Impurities

- soda-lime glass: 70%  $\text{SiO}_2$   
balance  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  (soda) &  $\text{CaO}$  (lime)
- borosilicate (Pyrex):  
13%  $\text{B}_2\text{O}_3$ , 3.5%  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ , 2.5%  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$
- Vycor: 96%  $\text{SiO}_2$ , 4%  $\text{B}_2\text{O}_3$
- fused silica: > 99.5 wt%  $\text{SiO}_2$
  
- Impurities lower  $T_{\text{deform}}$



**working point:** ( $\eta \approx 10^5$  poise) temperature above which it is possible to *form* the glass, *i.e.*, press, draw, shape

**softening point:** ( $\eta \approx 10^8$  poise) temperature above which glass *flows under its own weight*

**annealing point:** ( $\eta \approx 10^{13}$  poise) temperature above which *residual stresses can be relieved within 15 min*

**strain point:** ( $\eta \approx 10^{15}$  poise) temperature below which glass can be *rapidly cooled* without introducing internal stresses capable of fracture

1 Pa s = 10 poise;  $\eta_{\text{water}} \approx 10^{-2}$  poise

# Glass Types



Five common types of glass:

- i) Soda-lime glasses*
- ii) Lead glasses*
- iii) Borosilicate or Heat-resistant glasses*
- iv) High-purity Silica glasses*
- v) Speciality glasses*

TABLE 14-6 ■ Compositions of typical glasses (in weight percent)

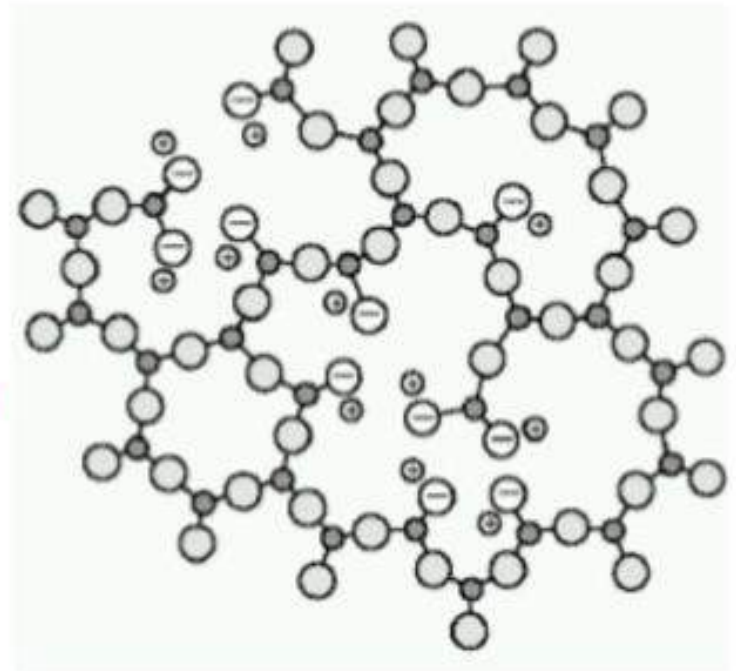
Glass	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	CaO	Na <sub>2</sub> O	B <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	MgO	PbO	Others
Fused silica	99							
Vycor™	96				4			
Pyrex™	81	2		4	12			
Glass jars	74	1	5	15		4		
Window glass	72	1	10	14		2		
Plate glass/Float glass	73	1	13	13				
Light bulbs	74	1	5	16		4		
Fibers	54	14	16		10	4		
Thermometer	73	6		10	10			
Lead glass	67			6			17	10% K <sub>2</sub> O
Optical flint	50			1			19	13% BaO, 8% K <sub>2</sub> O, ZnO
Optical crown	70			8		10		2% BaO, 8% K <sub>2</sub> O
E-glass fibers	55	15	20		10			
S-glass fibers	65	25				10		

# i) Soda-Lime-Silica Glasses

- 65% sand; 15% soda; 10% lime
- In this glass component are:
  - ✓ 71 – 73%  $\text{SiO}_2$
  - ✓ 12 – 14%  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$
  - ✓ 10 – 12%  $\text{CaO}$
- Adding sodium oxide (soda) lowers melting point
- Adding calcium oxide (lime) makes it insoluble
- Sodium and calcium ions terminate the network and soften the glass
- **The  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  &  $\text{CaO}$  decrease the softening point of this glass from  $1600^\circ\text{C}$  to  $730^\circ\text{C}$ , So that soda lime glass is easier to form.**
- **An addition of 1 – 4%  $\text{MgO}$  is added to Soda lime glass to prevent cracks.**
- **In addition of 0.5 – 1.5%  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  is used to Increase the durability**
- Soda-lime-silica glass is most commonly produced glass which accounts for ~95% of all the glass produced in the world.
- Soda-lime-silica glass expands much when heated
  - ✓ Breaks easily during heating or cooling

## Uses

- Soda lime glass is used for flat glass, containers, lightening products.
- It is used where chemical durability and heat resistant are not needed



## ***ii) Lead Glasses***

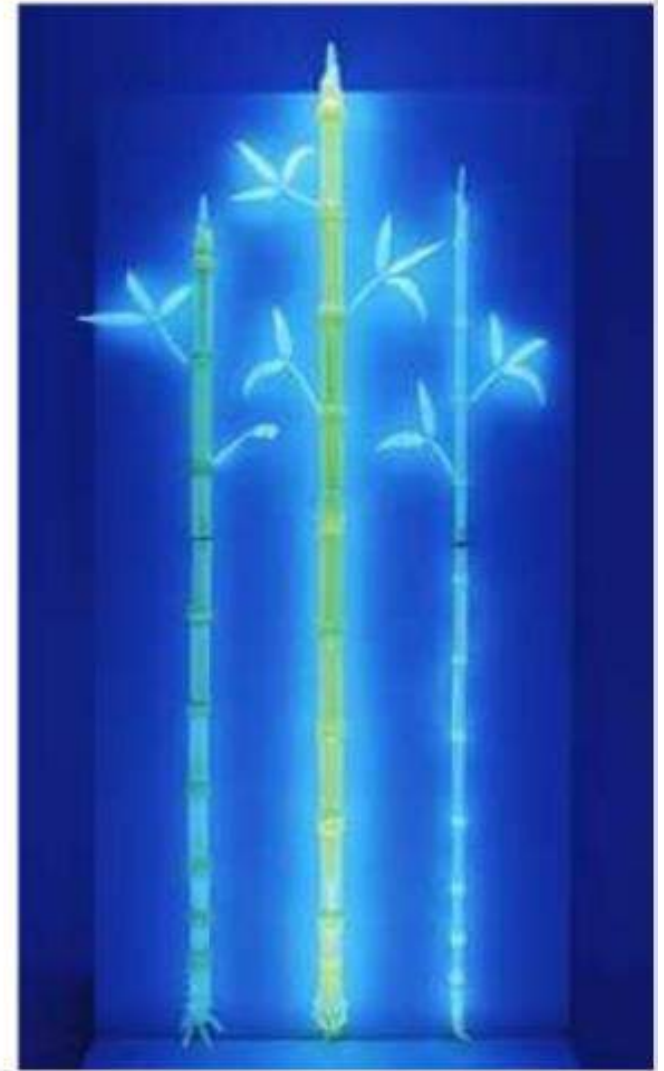
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- Lime and soda replaced with lead oxide (PbO)
- Contains lead oxide (PbO) to improve refractive index
- High refractive index- clarity sparkle
- Softer –cut and engrave
- Good electrical resistance - electronics



### ***iii) Heat-resistant (or Borosilicate) Glasses***

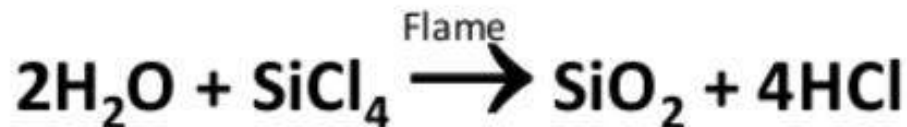
- Contains Boron oxide, known as *Pyrex*.
- Boron-oxide-silica glass expands less
  - ✓ Tolerates heating or cooling reasonably well
- Pyrex and Kimax are borosilicate glasses
- Boron oxide replaces lime and most of soda – low thermal expansion coefficient
- $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  -  $\text{B}_2\text{O}_3$  – aluminosilicate glass with even better heat resistance



## iv) High-purity Silica Glasses

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- Highest quality – most durable
- 3 processes – melting pure SiO<sub>2</sub>; making 96% silica and flame hydrolysis
- **Pure SiO<sub>2</sub>** – pure silica melted @ 1900 °C under vacuum
- **96%** - Vycor process – borosilicate glass heated to grow crystalline sodium borate channels – extracted hot HNO<sub>3</sub> – leaving 96% pure silica after heat reduction @ 1200 °C
- **flame hydrolysis** – SiCl<sub>4</sub> in CH<sub>4</sub> / O flame (1500°C, produces high-surface silica soot thermally sintered to pure silica at 1723 °C)



## v) Specialty Glasses



- **Coloured glass:**

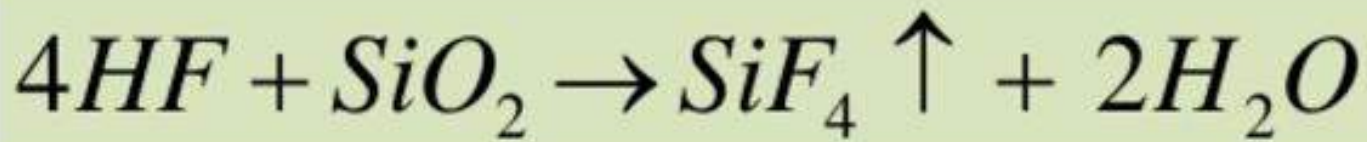
- $\text{MnO}_2$  – violet,
- $\text{CoO}$  – blue,
- $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3$  - green

- **Opal glass:**

- white opaque or translucent glassware
- colour due to scattering of light from small particle
- usually  $\text{NaF}/\text{CaF}$  crystals
- nucleating after a cooling and reheating process

- **Frosted glass:**

- satiny look when exposed to HF



## v) Speciality (Cont.)

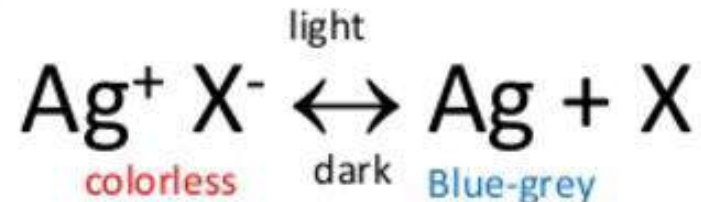
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- **Coated glass:**

- ✓ unique properties
- ✓ metal / metal oxides  $\text{Ag}^+ + \text{RA} \rightarrow \text{Ag}\downarrow$  mirror
- ✓ electrically conducting with  $\text{SnO}_2$  coating (thermal  $\text{SnCl}_4$  hydrolysis)

- **Photosensitive glass:—**

- ✓ glass that changes colour upon exposure to light
- ✓ **Phototropic:**
  - ❖ darkens upon exposure to light and returns to original clear state afterwards.
  - ❖  $\text{AgCl}/\text{AgBr}$



▪ **Non-silicate glasses** are becoming increasingly important for special optical purposes,

- ✓ for example in the use of glasses prepared from  $\text{CaF}_2$ ,  $\text{AlF}_3$  and  $\text{P}_2\text{O}_5$  for infrared optics or the use of fluoride glasses for *optical fibres*

## Glass composition

- **Silica glass**

*No radiation damage*

- **Soda-lime glass**

*Reduced  $T_m \sim 730^\circ\text{C}$*

- **Borosilicate glass (Pyrex glass)**

*Low thermal expansion*

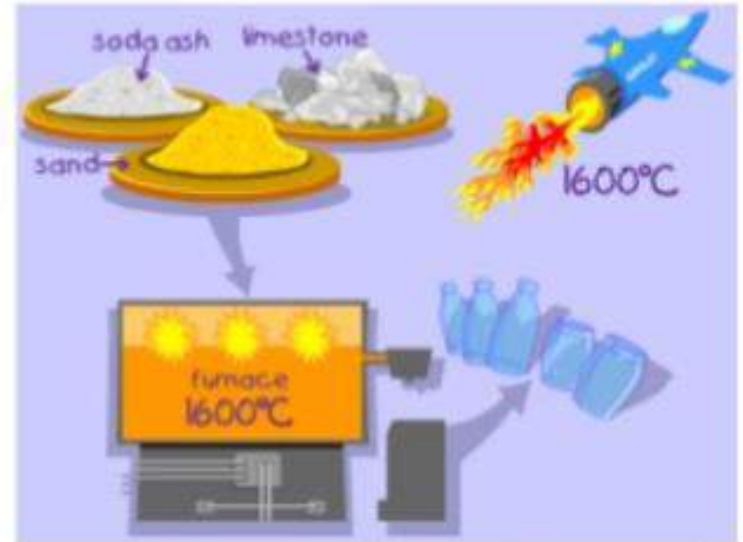
- **Lead glass**

*Shielding from high energy radiation*

Type	Composition, w/o								Properties or uses
	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Na <sub>2</sub> O	K <sub>2</sub> O	CaO	MgO	B <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Other	
Soda-lime	72	14		9	4		1		Window glass
Silica glass (fused quartz)	99.5+								High-temperature applications; low coefficient of expansion
96% silica glass	96.3	<0.2	<0.2			2.9	0.4		Comparable to fused quartz
Borosilicate	80.5	3.8	0.5			12.9	2.2		Resistant to heat and to chemicals
Light flint optical	54	1	8					37PbO	High index of refraction
Surface-strengthened glass	55	16	2	2		2	19	4TiO <sub>2</sub>	Cookware
Glass-ceramic	56				15		20	9TiO <sub>2</sub>	Radomes

# Glass Manufacturing Process

1. Silica sand, limestone, soda ash and cullet (recycled glass or broken glass) are kept dry and cool in a batcher house in silos or compartments
2. Mixing and weighting into proper proportion:
  - ✓ **Sand** ( $\text{SiO}_2$ ), Quartz, or Silica sand 72%
  - ✓ **Flux** → to lower T – e.g. **Soda or Soda Ash** ( $\text{NaHCO}_3$ ) 17%; (1700 – 900°C)
  - ✓ **Stabilizing agent** → to mitigate water solubility of the glass formed – e.g. CaO normally added as **Limestone** {Lime 5%}



[www.glassforever.co.uk/howisglassmade/](http://www.glassforever.co.uk/howisglassmade/)

### Why So Much SiO<sub>2</sub> in Glass?

- Because SiO<sub>2</sub> is the best *glass former* :
  - Silica is the main component in glass products, usually comprising 50% to 75% of total chemistry.
  - It naturally transforms into a glassy state upon cooling from the liquid, whereas most ceramics crystallize upon solidification.

### Other Ingredients in Glass

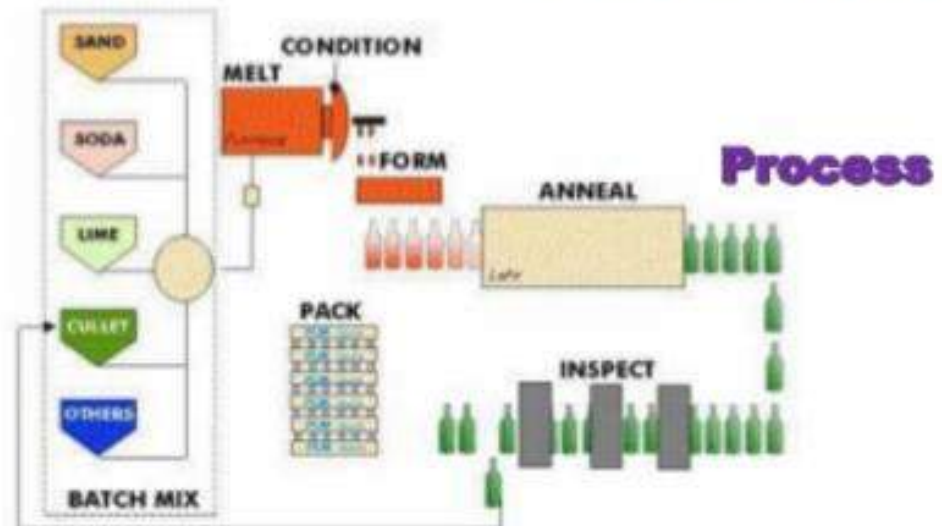
- Sodium oxide (Na<sub>2</sub>O), calcium oxide (CaO), aluminum oxide (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>), magnesium oxide (MgO), potassium oxide (K<sub>2</sub>O), lead oxide (PbO), and boron oxide (B<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)
- Functions:
  - ✓ Act as flux (promoting fusion) during heating
  - ✓ Increase fluidity in molten glass for processing
  - ✓ Improve chemical resistance against attack by acids, basic substances, or water
  - ✓ Add color to the glass
  - ✓ Alter index of refraction for optical applications

# Glass Manufacturing Process (Cont.)

3. Send to furnaces in hoppers:
  - operated by natural gas
  - heat the mixture at 1300-1600°C into soften or molten state
4. **Molding** (or **Casting**): molten glass flows to forming machine to mold into desire shapes
5. **Annealing lehrs**: reheating the glass in an oven
  - to ensure even cooling of glass for strengthening of the products
6. **Cooling process**: Cool for 30 min to an hour for safe to handle.
7. **Glass products** are then decorated, inspected again and finally packaged and shipped to our customers.



*Glass Furnace Cooling Systems*



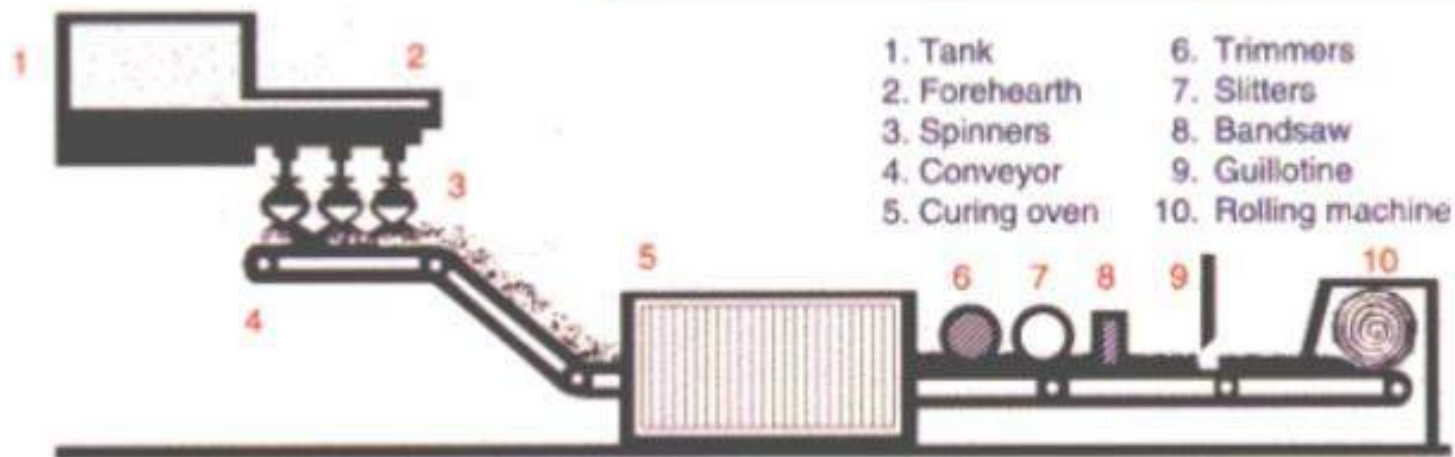


# Glass Forming

- 1) **Casting** : molding
- 2) **Pressing**: pressing second mold into molten glass
- 3) **Core-forming**: clay core dipped into molten mass
- 4) **Fusing** : fusing glass rods together around a mold
- 5) **Blowing**: blowing air into a glob

Flat glass – floating / rolling

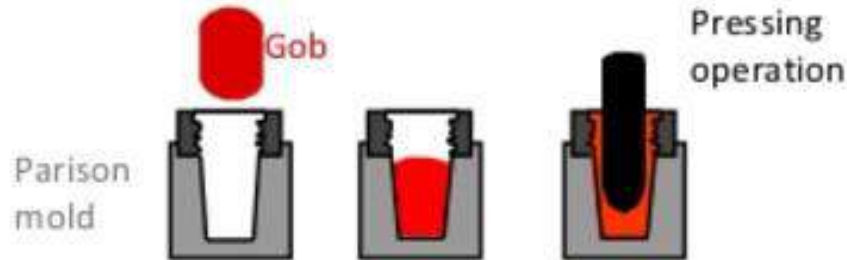
Glass fibre – continuous strands and Crown process for glass wool



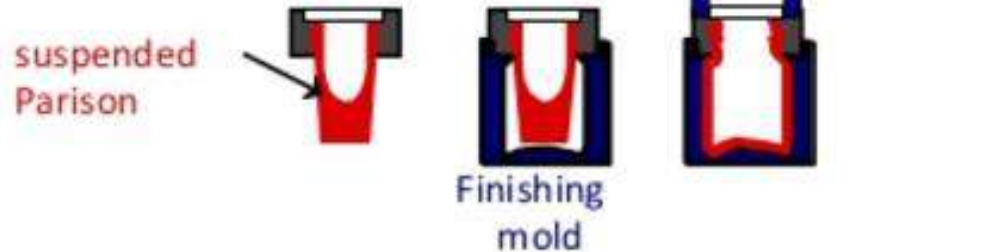
# Glass Fabrication Methods

## GLASS FORMING

- **Pressing:**



- **Blowing:**



## PARTICULATE FORMING

## CEMENTATION

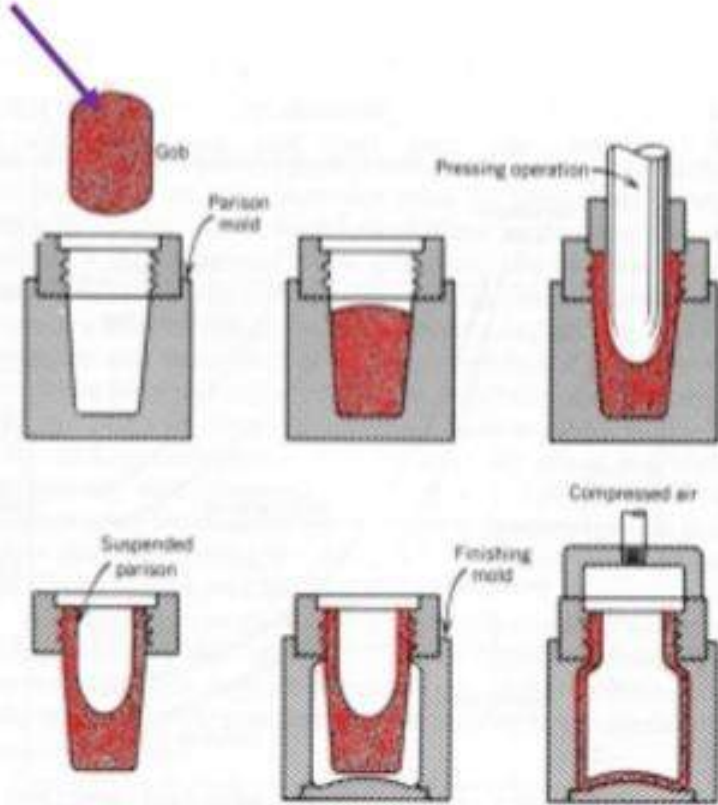
plates, dishes, cheap glasses  
-mold is steel with graphite lining

- **Fiber drawing:**



# Blow Molding

Softened glass



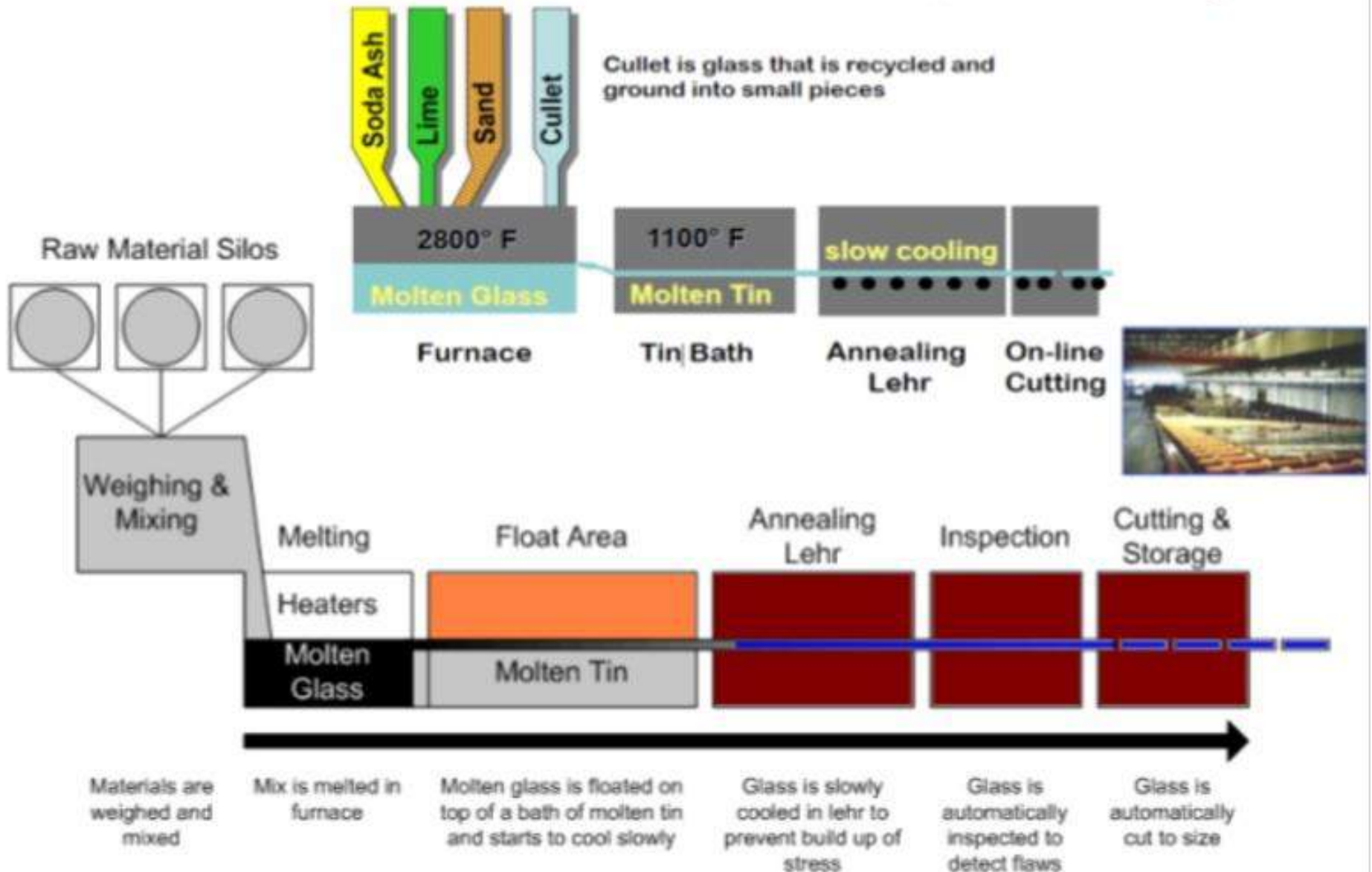
# Pressed Glass Processing

Softened glass



# Float Glass: The Process

## Modern Plate/Sheet Glass making:



# Heat Treating Glass

- ❑ Annealing:
  - ✓ removes internal stress caused by uneven cooling.
- ❑ Tempering:
  - ✓ puts surface of glass part into compression
  - ✓ suppresses growth of cracks from surface scratches.
  - ✓ sequence:

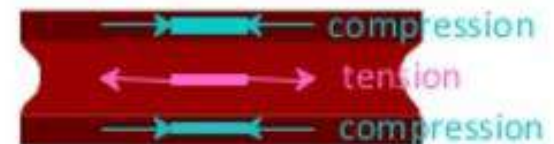
before cooling



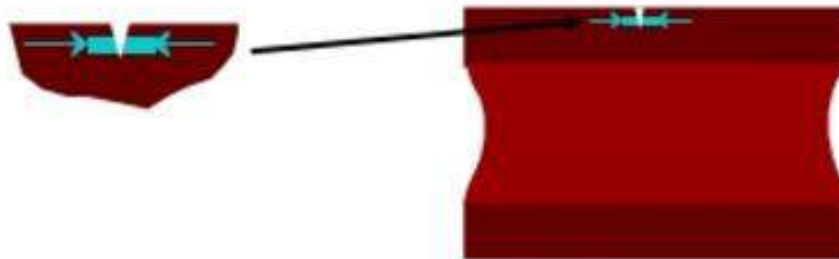
surface cooling



further cooled



➤ Result: surface crack growth is suppressed.



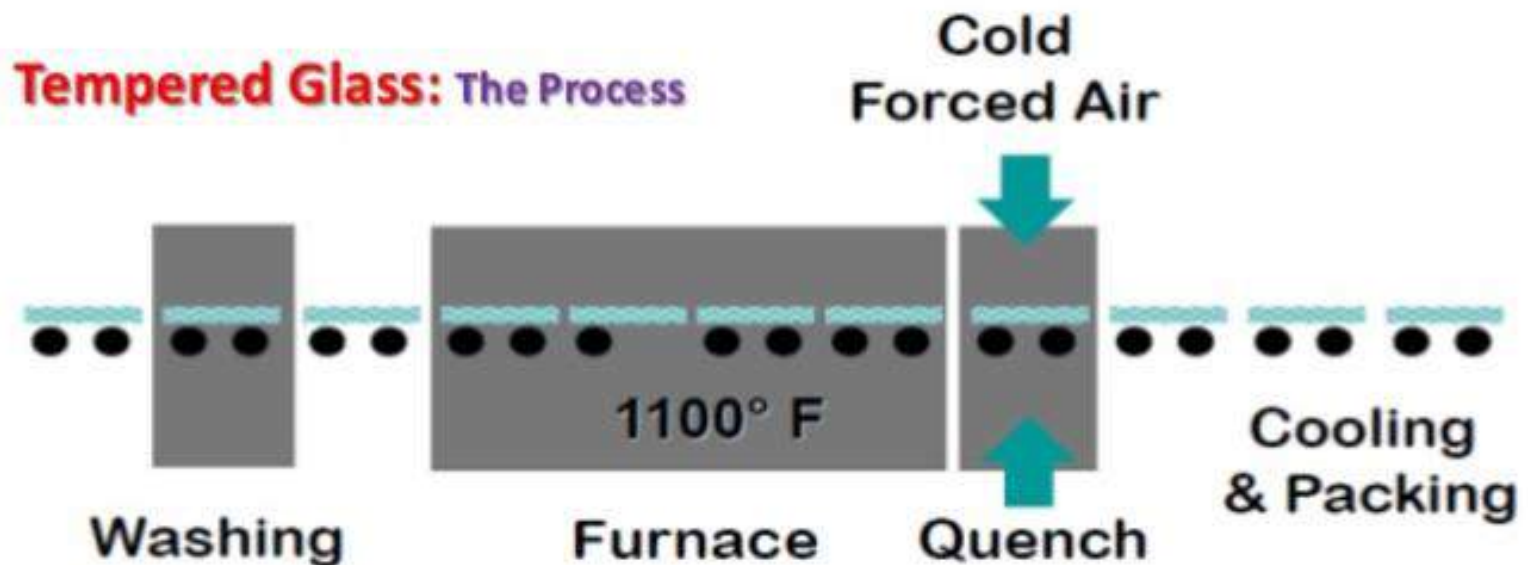
## a) Annealing Glass

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- ❑ **Annealing** is a process of slowly cooling glass to relieve internal stresses after it was formed.
- ❑ The process may be carried out in a temperature-controlled kiln known as a **Lehr**.
- ❑ Annealing glass is critical to its durability.
- ❑ Removes internal stress caused by uneven cooling.
- ❑ Glass which has not been annealed is liable to crack or shatter when subjected to a relatively small temperature change or mechanical shock.
- ❑ If glass is not annealed, it will retain many of the thermal stresses caused by quenching and significantly decrease the overall strength of the glass.

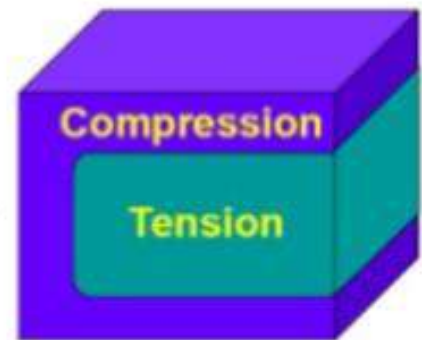
## b) Tempered Glass

- The tempering process consists of the following steps:
  - 1) First the glass is washed and then heated.
  - 2) In order to temper glass, it must reach 1100°F (the softening point for glass.)
  - 3) The glass is then cooled with cold air. Quenching with forced cold air sets up the tension and compression zones.
  - 4) The tempered glass continues down the rollers to cool more and be packed for shipping. Glass to be tempered must be cut to size before the tempering step.
- A flow chart in the next slide provides a summary of the tempering process.



## b) Tempered Glass (Cont.)

- Tempering glass:
    - ✓ Heat glass to softening point
    - ✓ Cool outside of glass quickly
    - ✓ Outside stiffens while inside is still hot
    - ✓ Shrinking inside compresses outside
    - ✓ Compressed outside stretches inside
  - Resists fractures because surface is compressed
  - Crumbles when cracked because inside is tense
- Glass expands when heated
  - Quenching “freezes” this expansion on the outside
  - Center cools more slowly, and contracts. Sets up tension and compression zones.
  - Tempered Glass is required for door products and some windows installed near doors. If tempering is done improperly then distortion can result.
  - *Tempered glass is stronger than annealed glass.* If annealed glass (raw float) has a strength factor of “1”, tempered glass would be “4”.





*What is the difference between (regular) annealed glass and tempered glass?*

<b>Annealed (regular) Glass</b>	<b>Tempered Glass</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Advantages:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Cost</li></ul></li><li>• Limitations:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Breaks in sharp pieces</li><li>✓ Not as strong as Tempered Glass</li><li>✓ Size limitations</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Advantages:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ 4 times the stronger than annealed</li><li>✓ Breaks into small, harmless pieces.</li><li>✓ Qualifies as Safety Glazing</li></ul></li><li>• Limitations:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Must be cut to size before tempering</li><li>✓ Optical distortion (roller wave, strain pattern)</li></ul></li></ul>

# Examples of today's glass products:

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- Containers (jars and bottles)
- Flat glass (windows, vehicle glazing, mirrors, etc.)
- Lighting glass (fluorescent tubes, light bulbs, etc.)
- Tableware (drinking glasses, bowls, lead crystal, etc.)
- Laboratory equipments (test tubes, cylinders, measuring flasks, etc.)
- TV tubes and screens
- Decorative glass
- Fiberglass
- Optical glass
- Vacuum flasks



# Class Assignment

1. Cite the two common characteristic of glasses.
2. What happen when molten  $\text{SiO}_2$  cooled to form glass?
3. Why glass behave as brittle at room temperature ? What happen to the glass at high temperature?
4. Differentiate between anneal and tempering glass.

## **2 common characteristics glasses :**

- 1) Do not have long range order (LRO) (short range atomic order –brittle)
  - no regularity in the arrangements of its molecular
  
- 2) Exhibit a time-dependant behaviour known as glass transition phenomenon
  - occurs over temperature range called the glass transition temperature.
  - as inorganic melt cooled to solid without recrystallization (amorphous solid)

**“glass can be defined as an amorphous solid completely lacking in long range, periodic atomic structure and exhibiting a region of glass transformation behaviour “.**