

FV-30 Extensional Viscometer



Introduction

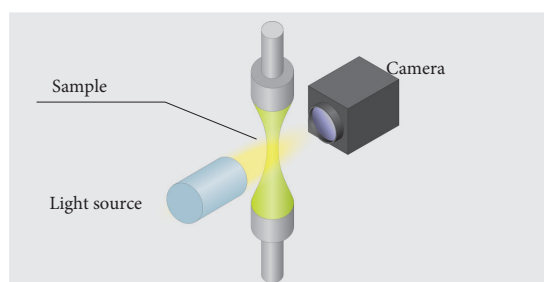
In various processes, materials undergo both shear and extensional deformation. For instance, during roll coating and printing, extensional deformation occurs as ink leaves the printing plate. If stringiness occurs at this time, misting can result when filaments break, leading to uneven coating and poor print quality. Similarly, when filling containers with shampoo or other liquids, stringiness after nozzle discharge can contaminate subsequent containers. Therefore, it is crucial to prevent stringiness during container filling. Conventional rotational viscometers and rheometers apply shear flow to samples, making it impossible to evaluate the extensional behavior of materials. The Extensional Viscometer FV-30, on the other hand, applies extensional flow, allowing for direct evaluation of stringiness.



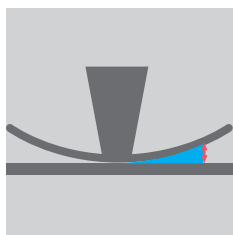
Feature

A small amount of sample (<1mL) is placed between two circular plates. The upper plate moves upward at a set speed, increasing the gap between the plates. This applies extensional deformation to the sample, causing the central portion to gradually thin.

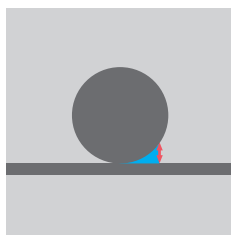
This process is captured as images by a side-mounted camera. The thickness of the thinnest part (filament) is measured through image analysis. Additionally, a Force sensor integrated into the lower probe allows for evaluation of the sample's cohesive and tacky properties during extensional deformation.



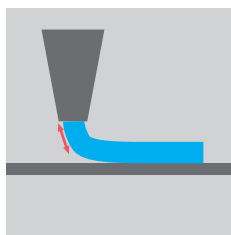
Application



Screen Printing
Stringing, Printing error



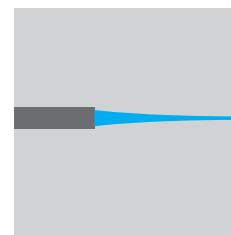
Roll coating
Forming mist



Die Coating
Thickness error



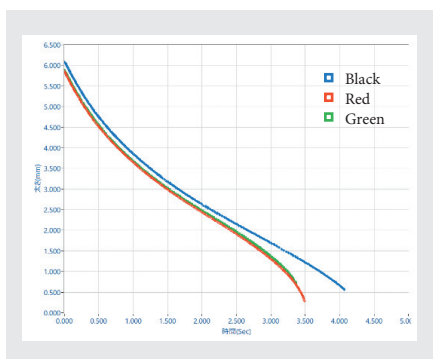
Bottling, Dipping
Liquid shortage, Stringing



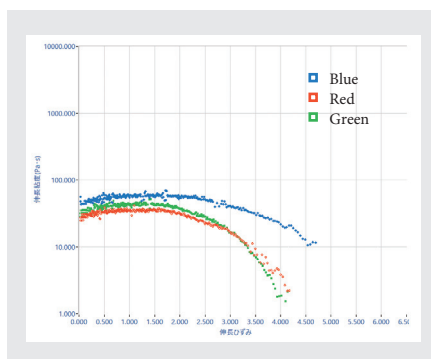
Springing
Breakage

Test Data

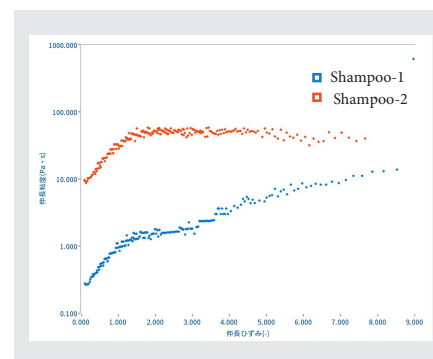
We measured three types of paint to evaluate forming mist issues. The results indicated that blue paint has a higher potential to cause forming mist problems, and this was attributed to its suppressed decrease in extensional viscosity up to higher extensional strain regions. Additionally, measurement results from shampoos suggest that shampoo-1 show a strong tendency for increased extensional viscosity, suggesting data pointing to a potential for stringing issues



Time-Filament Diameter(mm)



Ex. Strain- Ex. Viscometer(Pas)



Ex. Strain-Ex. Viscosity

Specification

Viscosity Range	>200mPa·s (Depend on sample)
Probe	φ4 mm , φ6 mm
Probe speed	0.1-30 mm/sec
Move distance	50 mm
Field of view	Vertical 10 mm
Size range	>0.05 mm
Size resolution	0.016 mm
Load resolution	0.001 g
Data aquisition speed	500 data/sec
Parameter	Ex. Viscometer, Ex. Strain, Ex. Stress, Time, Filament Diameter
Dimension	W 300 x D 250 x H 1620 mm
Weight	23 kg

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