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## SYNTHESIS OF TERCOPOLYMER DERIVED FROM VINYL ACETATE, MALEIC ANHYDRIDE AND GLYCEROL

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### ABSTRACT

*The Tercopolymer of vinyl acetate, maleic anhydride and glycerol was synthesized under different reaction conditions. Tercopolymers of vinyl acetate, maleic anhydride and glycerol to make them softer and like as sponge. The obtained Tercopolymer insoluble in common organic solvents such as acetone, benzene, chloroform, carbon tetrachloride etc. Tercopolymer was characterized by the help of FTIR and Thermo gravimetric analysis (TGA).*

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### Introduction

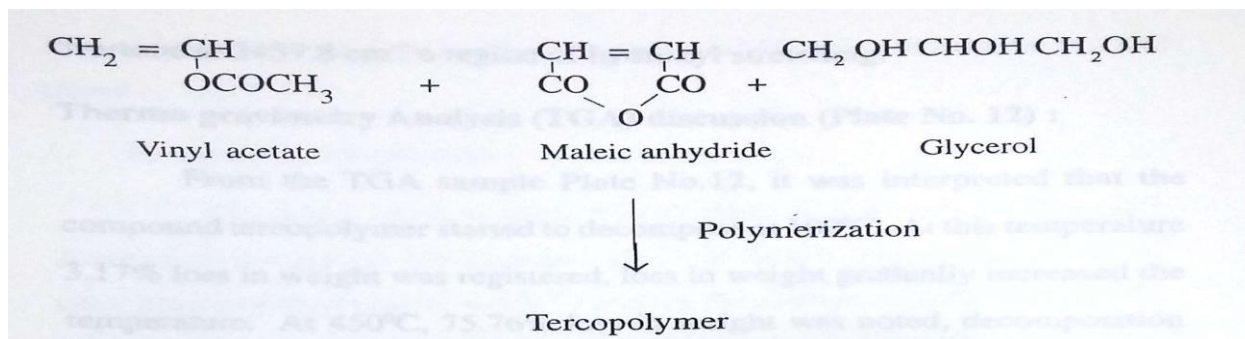
Japanese scientist Masamori Yamada<sup>1</sup> in 1958 prepared a mixture of vinyl acetate 8.6, maleic anhydride 9.6, BZ<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 0.092 and ethylene glycol diacetate 36.8 kg, heated at 80°C for 2 hrs to give 16.7 kg copolymerized resin in 92% yield, useful as a sticpaste. Kobayashi<sup>2</sup> in 1972 prepared copolymerization of acrylonitrile with butadiene or vinyl chloride and propylene with butadiene, emphasizing complexes between metal compounds and acrylic monomers, photopolymerization and diels-alder reaction. Dzhaferov<sup>3</sup> in 1984. Prepared a radical tercopolymerization of maleic anhydride with styrene and vinyl acetate was 0.5 order in catalyst and 1-3 order in monomer, and

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had overall activation energy 21.6 Kcal/mol The polymerization proceeded as binary copolymerization of MA-styrene and MA-VA charge-transfer-complexes. minimum polymerization rate was observed at 50 mol % Maleic Anhydride in the monomer mixture. Li, Xiaofang<sup>4</sup> in 1988 polymerised Maleic Anhydride with vinyl acetate initiated with Ultraviolet light of 313 nm. Ter-Copolymer of Maleic Anhydride and vinyl acetate with acrylonitrile shows that the mole ratio Maleic Anhydride to vinyl acetate in the polymer is constant and equal to 1, irrespective of the feed composition. This supports the complex mechanism for propagation. Flores, M. et al<sup>5</sup> in 1998 synthesised and properties of the (ethylene-vinyl acetate-vinyl alcohol) tercopolymer were studied and the reaction with alcohols was conducted on poly (ethylene-vinyl acetate) to obtain tercopolymers with varying hydroxide contents through different routes. Mechanical and rheological properties of the tercopolymer were examined as a function of conversion. Blends of the tercopolymer with polyimide (nylon 6) were prepared for various compositions. Revero, P. et al<sup>6</sup> prepared tercopolymer with vinyl chloride, vinyl acetate and maleic anhydride in order to show the use of the equation and the type of information that might be obtained from them. A. K. Pandey<sup>7</sup> et al synthesised the tercopolymer using monomer as vinyl acetate, maleic anhydride and acrylamide for the optimum temperature and better yield. S. K. Kapse et al<sup>8</sup> Synthesised of p-Hydroxyacetophenone Resorcinol and Glycerol terpolymer resin.

## Experimental

Vinyl acetate (18ml), maleic anhydride (600mg), AIBN (60mg) and glycerol (12ml) were taken in ampoules, sealed and put to heating on water bath at 75<sup>0</sup>C after 50 minutes most of the monomer of reaction solution was polymerized in solid form after 2 hr of heating the reaction mixture converted into the gum form. After 3 hrs the reaction mixture was polymerized and the tercopolymer were synthesised and collected in watch glass then it was washed with distilled water for 3-4 times for the removal of impurities, the tercopolymer like rubbery and spongy. It was put in oven for drying at 70<sup>0</sup>C after cooling the tercopolymer was in solid form and the yield of tercopolymer was 85%.



## Result and Discussion

**Table:1 Solubilty of Tercoploymer**

| S.NO | Solvent               | Solubility       | Remark                  |
|------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| 1    | Acetone               | Insoluble        | Light white colour      |
| 2    | Benzene               | Insoluble        | .....                   |
| 3    | Chloroform            | Insoluble        | .....                   |
| 4    | Carbon tetra chloride | Insoluble        | .....                   |
| 5    | Petroleum ether       | Slightly soluble | .....                   |
| 6    | Water                 | Slightly soluble | Crushed in small pieces |

## FTIR

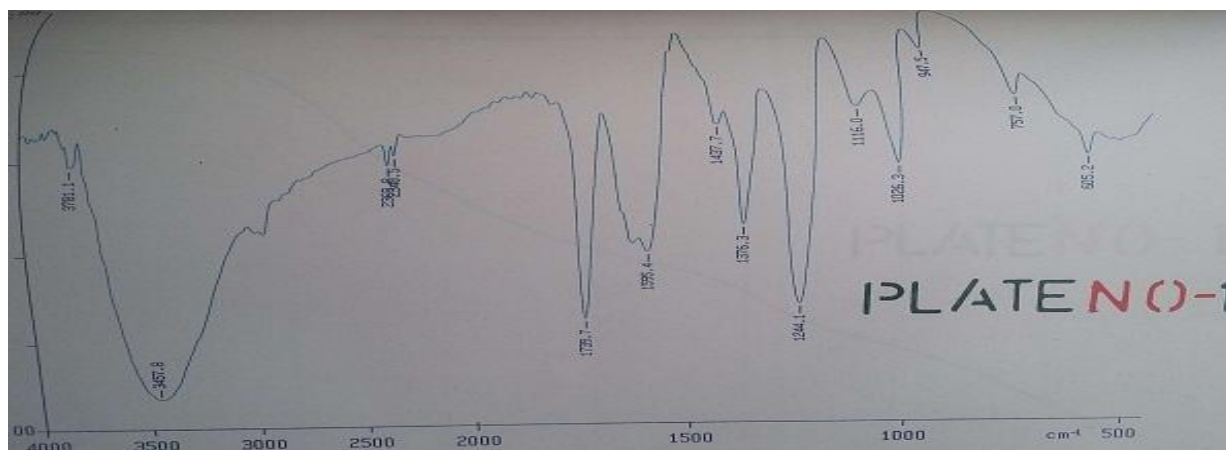


Figure 1:FTIR of Tercopolymer

FTIR spectra of tercopolymer had many peaks. the peak at  $1026.3\text{cm}^{-1}$  seems of c-o bend of ester group and small peak at  $1166.0\text{cm}^{-1}$  is probably due to c-o stretching of anhydride. the sharp peak at  $1244.1\text{cm}^{-1}$ . a sharp peak in general range for the c=O stretching bends for anhydride. at  $1739.7\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $1790\text{-}1740\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) which are due to its asymmetrical and symmetrical stretchings. overtone peak may C=O group since carboxyl stretching is a strong absorption around  $1739.7\text{cm}^{-1}$  it often gives a noticeable overtone at  $3457.8\text{cm}^{-1}$  a region of hydroxyl stretching.

### Thermo gravimetric Analysis(TGA)

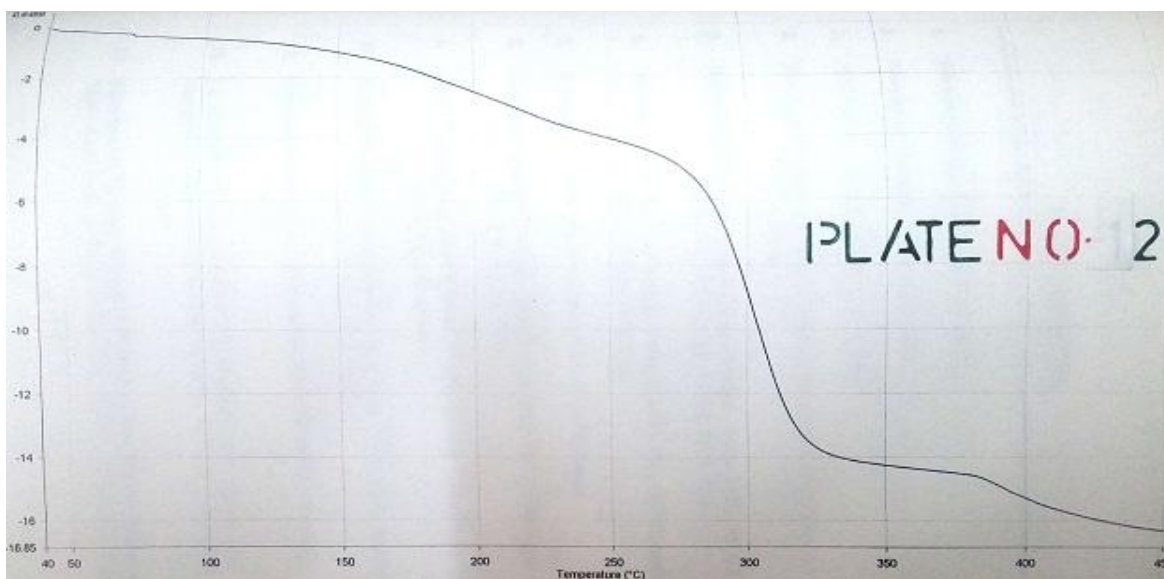


Figure 2 : TGA Thermograms

The Tercopolymer started to decompose at  $100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  at this temperature 3.17% loss in weight was registered, loss in weight gradually increased the temperature. at  $450\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ , 75.76% loss in weight was noted, decomposition completed at around  $470\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

Table :2 TGA Thermograms of Tercopolymer

| S.NO | Temperature( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) | Weight residue(mg) | Weight loss%(mg) |
|------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 1    | 100                               | 96.82              | 3.17             |
| 2    | 150                               | 92.30              | 7.69             |
| 3    | 200                               | 86.80              | 13.19            |

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| 4  | 250 | 80.76  | 19.23 |
| 5. | 300 | 60.556 | 39.45 |
| 6. | 350 | 31.468 | 68.53 |
| 7. | 400 | 28.288 | 71.83 |
| 8. | 450 | 24.238 | 75.76 |

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