CONSIDERING THE STRENGTH ASPECTS OF THE MATERIAL SELECTION FOR THE PRODUCTION OF PLASTIC COMPONENTS USING THE FDM METHOD

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The authors in their article are devoted to describe the samples production of sophisticated eco-material PLA -PolyLacticAcid extruded horizontally in length, produced by FDM method, Rapid Prototyping. Carried out experimental tests of mechanical properties are presented by the authors in this article. Also in this article eco-materials outputs tested are presented in patterns, measurement protocols recorded in software, the measured values in a static tensile test, recorded in tables and shown in work graphs. Based on obtained results the authors compared produced samples from two PLA ecomaterials and determined which PLA – ecoplastic is stronger.

KEYWORDS

PLA -PolyLacticAcid, 3D model, rapid prototyping, PLA ecomaterials, fused deposition modelling

1 INTRODUCTION

Sophisticated production technology, which we call Rapid Prototyping, is primarily applied in all manufacturing sectors. This technology is used to hire in piece and small-scale production, especially in the first stage of product development. While modeling or specimens are taken off in classical technology, and in sophisticated RP technology, the shape of the model or samples is formed by the gradual addition of material that is in the form of a powder or gtavenin or a layer of photopolymer that is gradually cured with UV laser to to the final form of the prototype or sample. This sophisticated DP technology, with this modern approach, becomes a powerful tool for the modern development of prototypes or samples. Also, this modern and rapidly evolving technology sophisticated enables radically development and implementation time. With traditional product design, 2D drawings are created from a 3D model or sample. In the initial drawing, 2D designs are transformed during the phase of the specification into 3D concepts[Fig.1]. the proposal is, of course, reviewed several times on the basis of the results of the experiments using the production

equipment. In confrontational! processes with conventional production methods takes prototype production by rapid prototyping methods to substantially shorter to several days of months.[Novakova-Marcincinova L. 2014b,Novak-Marcincin J. 2012, Balara 2018, Zaborowski 2007, Michalik 2014, Monkova 2013, Mrkvica 2012, Peterka 2014].

2 PLA- POLYLACTID ACID - BIOPLASTIC

It is a material that is produced from renewable sources and is therefore independent from petroleum and impurities. It is a plastic made from biomass. At first sight it looks and to touch it feels the same as commonly used plastics made from petroleum, reaching even the same qualities as flexibility, hardness, transparency, flexibility and durability. However, it is specific by ist processing and production process. It differs from traditional plastics in that it can be degraded biologically, composted and converted to humus or biomass quality, which does not constitute environmental burden. The products of these bioplastics are tasteless, absolutely free of allergens. Globally recognized and certified for use in food and they guarantee health safety. The basic raw material for production is plant biomass, such as maize, cereals, potatoes, sugar beet, sugar cane, soybean, tobacco, and natural materials such as cellulose and lignite. Bioplastic is made from the starch of these plants. In order to transform the starch material properties corresponding to plastic from petroleum, it must be exposed to high temperatures and by isolation we get glucose from it.[Plancak 2009, Novakova-Marcincinova L. 2013a,Panda 2011a, Balara 2018]

2.1 Production of test samples

In the production of test samples a 3D device and Repetier-Host software was used, the where the working temperature of the nozzle was set to a value of 200°C and work surface to 70°C. Then followed the production of test samples, whereas the nozzle carries out movement in axes X, Y and the table in Z axis.

[Novakova-Marcincinova L. 2014c]

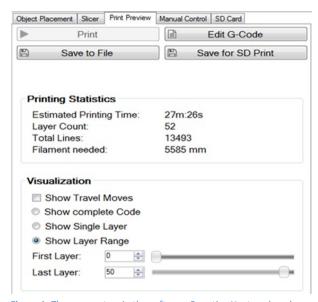


Figure 1. The parameters in the software Repetier-Hostproduced samples horizontally in length.

2.2 Measuring of test samples for determining the tensile properties

So that the prescribed measurement conditions are kept, for measuring linear dimensions a caliper had to be used with an accuracy of 0.02 mm. [Fig.3,Fig.4]. Universal testing machine Tira-test 2300 is PC controlled ripper machine, mainly designed to test the tensile strength of maximum test load of 100 kN, with load range of 1, 10 and 100 kN. In addition of tensile test, it is possible to implement strength tests of welded and bonded joints. The perfect state of machine is confirmed by certificate of verification of the testing machine for strength determination of metals and plastics under no. 0305/323-04/11. EN ISO 527. [Novakova-Marcincinova L. 2014c,Vojtko 2014, Prislupcak 2014, Sebo 2012, Panda 2016, Jurko 2016]

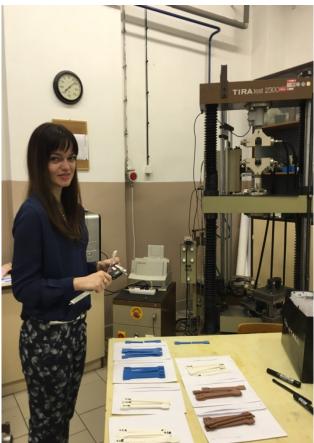


Figure 2. Measurement of test samples

3 IMPLEMENTATION OF EXPERIMENTAL TESTS TO DETERMINE TENSILE PROPERTIES

The course of experimental tests [Fig.2] to determine tensile properties were recorded using a testing machine in which incorporated sensors record the results in computer software and are subsequently evaluated. Measured and calculated values obtained during the execution of experiments on test samples are shown in Table 1 and Table 2. The measured values of force Fm [N] force on strength limit - the highest load are maximum values of measured force detected during the test. These force values may determine ultimate tensile strength oM [MPa], as well as elongation at ultimate tensile strength EM [Panda 2011b, Novakova-Marcincinova L. 2013b, Novakova-Marcincinova L. 2014a, Novakova-Marcincinova E, 2017, Krenický 2012, Krolczyk G 2014, Peterka 2014]

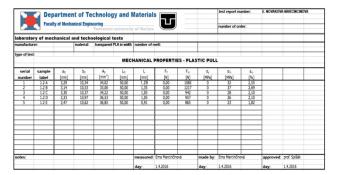


Table 1. Measured values in the static tensile test of PLA samples - clear horizontally in width

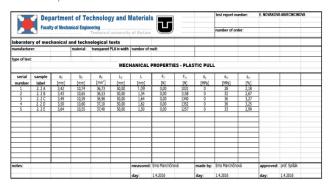


Table 2. Measured values in the static tensile test of PLA samples - blue horizontally in width



 $\label{eq:Figure 3.} \textbf{Figure 3.} \ \textbf{Test samples of clear PLA plastic horizontal in width after the test}$



Figure 4. Test samples of blue PLA plastic horizontal in width after the test

4 STATIC TESTS - STATISTICAL EVALUATION

Diameter m considered normal distribution is estimated using the arithmetic mean $\frac{\sigma_M}{\sigma_M}$ z n = 5 measured results of test

samples made of pure PLA plastic test pieces printed horizontally in width:

$$\overline{\sigma_{M2}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sigma_{Mi} = \frac{1}{5} (32 + 37 + 28 + 26 + 23)$$

$$\overline{\sigma_{M2}}$$
=29,2 MPa (1)

$$s2 = 5,4498 \text{ MPa}$$
 (2)

Calculation of static tensile test on test samples of blue PLA in width:

$$\overline{\sigma_{M5}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sigma_{Mi} = \frac{1}{5} (28 + 32 + 36 + 36 + 33)$$

$$\overline{\sigma_{M5}}$$
=33 MPa (4)

$$s_5 = 3{,}3166 \text{ MPa}$$
 (5)

5 CONCLUSIONS- ANALYSIS OF RESULTS

The most significant increase in ultimate tensile strength test samples printed width, was recorded with the use of PLA material clear where the ultimate load was recorded at the limit of 33 MPa. [Fig.5].

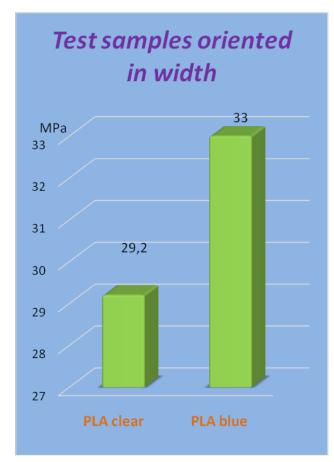


Figure 5. Graphical evaluation of test samples oriented in width

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