MECHANICAL RELAXATION IN CHALCOGENIDE GLASSES OF THE Ge—As—S SYSTEM

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The temperature- (in the range 100 K—T_g) and frequency-related (in the range 5—50 mHz) dependences of the internal friction and the shear modulus in $Ge_xAs_{40-x}Se_{60}$ glasses have been studied. The maxima of internal friction of both the relaxation and non-relaxation types have been found in the low-temperature range. A relaxation maximum has been revealed in the vitrification region, and its parameters have been determined. Possible mechanisms of these processes have been discussed.