Review and Statistical Analysis of the Ultrasonic Velocity Method for Estimating the Porosity Fraction in Polycrystalline Materials

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The physical behavior of components manufactured from polycrystalline materials is in many cases directly dependent on the porosity fraction (volume fraction of pores). As examples concerning key properties of technologically-important materials, porosity fraction has been shown to affect: (1) the strength, toughness and modulus of structural and refractory materials such as steel (ref. 1), tungsten (ref. 2), SiC (ref. 3), Si₃N₄ (ref. 3), and Al₂O₃ (ref. 3), (2) the strength of nuclear fuel materials such as UO₂ (refs. 4 and 5), (3) the thermal shock behavior and strength of porcelain-based ceramics (refs. 6 and 7), (4) the dielectric and elastic properties of piezoelectric materials such as PZT (ref. 8), and (5) the critical current density, diamagnetic response, and modulus of superconducting ceramics such as YBa₂Cu₃O₇₋ₓ (refs. 9 to 11). In the latter case, reference 9 has shown that porosity
fraction variations on the order of 1 percent in YBa2Cu3O7-x samples can result in an order of magnitude variation in critical current density. In such cases where physical properties are directly dependent on porosity fraction, the measurement of porosity fraction becomes important in the quality assurance process for the material.

Currently, various methods are available for measuring the porosity fraction of polycrystalline materials. The most common include dry-weight dimensional and liquid immersion (ref. 12). Other methods for obtaining porosity fraction include estimates from optical areal analysis measurements (ref. 13) and estimates from x-ray attenuation measurements (ref. 14). The choice of method is dependent on experimental conditions including sample geometry and whether additional investigation is required with the sample. For example, the dry-weight dimensional method can only be used for regularly-shaped samples with uniform dimensions such as cubes and rods, while liquid immersion is potentially destructive due to liquid infusion into the sample. Because of the lack of a truly universal porosity fraction measurement method, it seems worthwhile to consider additional measurement/estimation methods that may be useful and convenient in certain laboratory and industrial situations. In this study, we consider the ultrasonic velocity measurement method for estimating porosity fraction.

Ultrasonic velocity is a relatively simple measurement that requires the material specimen to have one pair of sides flat and parallel (ref. 15). The advantages of this method are that it is nondestructive and measurements can be made on different regions of a single specimen. Smith (ref. 2) and Nagarajan (ref. 16) were two of the first researchers to establish empirical correlations between porosity fraction and ultrasonic velocity for polycrystalline materials. The correlations appeared relatively linear over the porosity fraction ranges investigated. Smith's work concerned metallic samples while Nagarajan's work concerned ceramic samples. Other researchers began to investigate similar correlations with different materials. Here, we review and statistically analyze these empirical correlations between ultrasonic velocity and porosity fraction for polycrystalline materials. Initially, a semi-empirical model is developed showing the origin of the linear relationship between ultrasonic velocity and porosity fraction. Then, scatter plots of velocity versus percent porosity data are shown for Al2O3, CuO, MgO, porcelain-based ceramics, PZT, SiC, Si3N4, steel, tungsten, UO2, (U0.30Pu0.70)C, and YBa2Cu3O7-x. Linear regression analysis produced predicted slope, intercept, correlation coefficient, level of significance, and confidence interval statistics for the data. Additionally, velocity values predicted from regression for fully-dense materials are compared with those calculated from elastic properties.

**SEMI-EMPIRICAL MODEL**

When there are no boundary effects present, the velocity of a longitudinal ultrasonic wave traveling in a solid is related to the elastic properties and density of the solid by (ref. 17):

\[
V = \left[\frac{E(1 - \nu)}{\rho(1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu)}\right]^{1/2}
\]

where \(V\), \(E\), \(\rho\), and \(\nu\) are the velocity, elastic modulus, bulk density, and Poisson's ratio, respectively, of the material. (The velocity of a shear ultrasonic wave traveling in a solid is related to the elastic properties and density of the solid by:

\[
V = \left[\frac{E}{2\rho(1 + \nu)}\right]^{1/2}
\]

An "apparent" modulus (ref. 3) for porous materials can be considered which depends on the porosity fraction.
Several early empirical investigations provided evidence that the modulus increases exponentially with decreasing porosity fraction according to (refs. 18 and 19):

\[ E = E_0 \exp(-bP') \]  

(2)

where \( E_0 \) is the elastic modulus of a fully-dense (nonporous) material, \( b \) is an empirically-determined constant related to pore shape, pore distribution, and the ratio of open-to-closed pores, and \( P' \) is the porosity fraction. The use of equation (2) to evaluate \( E_0 \) by extrapolation from fitted experimental data has sometimes resulted in large discrepancies between the extrapolated and observed values (ref. 20). An alternative to equation (2) has been suggested to describe the relationship between elastic modulus and porosity fraction (ref. 21):

\[ E = E_0(1 - p')^{2n+1} \]  

(3)

where \( n \), like \( b \), is an empirically-determined constant that depends on pore distribution and pore geometry factors.

Porosity fraction, \( p' \), can be expressed as:

\[ p' = (1 - (p/p_0)) \]  

(4)

where \( p_0 \) is the theoretical (nonporous material) density. Rearranging equation (4) allows us to express bulk density as a function of porosity fraction:

\[ \rho = \rho_0(1 - P') \]  

(5)

Substituting equations (3) and (5) into equation (1) allows velocity to be expressed as:

\[ V = V_0(1 - P')^n \]  

(6)

where \( V_0 \) is a constant for a given material equal to:

\[ V_0 = \left[\frac{E_0(1 - \nu)}{[\rho_0(1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu)]}\right]^{1/2} \]  

(7)

\( V_0 \) is the velocity in a fully-dense (nonporous) material, i.e., the "theoretical" velocity. (For shear waves:

\[ V_0 = \left[\frac{E_0}{2\rho_0(1 + \nu)}\right]^{1/2} \]  

(7a)

The general case for all \( n \) can be shown by expanding the right-hand side of equation (6) using the binomial theorem (ref. 22) so that:

\[ V = V_0\left[1 + [n(-P')] + [n(n - 1)] \times (-P')^2/2! + ... + [n(n - 1)] \times ... (n - k + 1)(-P')^{k/k!} + ... \right] \]  

(8)

From the ratio test, equation (8) is absolutely convergent for \( |P'| < 1 \).

Setting \( n = 1 \) in equations (3) and (8) results in good agreement for a number of materials over a wide porosity fraction range \((0.1 < P' < 0.7)\) (ref. 21). In this case, the right-hand side of equation (8) is reduced such that:

\[ V = V_0(1 - P') \]  

(9)

Equation (9) shows a linear relationship between velocity and porosity fraction and is the basis for selecting linear regression to analyze the empirical correlations reported in this study.

1Concerning the relationship between Poisson's ratio and porosity fraction, most of the limited studies of Poisson's ratio show it decreasing with increasing porosity fraction less rapidly than for elastic modulus (ref. 3). In this development, it is assumed that Poisson's ratio is independent of porosity fraction.
It is sometimes convenient to discuss the relationship between velocity and percent porosity, \( %P \), where:

\[
%P = \left( \frac{P'}{100} \right) \tag{10}
\]

Solving equation (10) for \( P' \) and substituting into equation (9) gives:

\[
V = m(\%P) + V_0 \tag{11}
\]

where

\[
m = \frac{-V_0}{100} \tag{12}
\]

Equation (11) shows a linear relationship between \( V \) and \( \%P \) where \( m \) and \( V_0 \) are the slope and intercept, respectively.

We can also define a "percent theoretical velocity," \( \%TV \), where:

\[
\%TV = \left( \frac{V}{V_0} \right) \times 100 \tag{13}
\]

Solving equation (13) for \( V \) and substituting into equation (11) gives:

\[
\%TV = m'(\%P) + 100 \tag{14}
\]

where

\[
m' = (m) \frac{100}{V_0} \tag{15}
\]

Equation (14) shows a linear relationship between \( \%TV \) and \( \%P \) where \( m' \) and 100 are the slope and intercept, respectively. Presenting the velocity versus porosity fraction relationship in terms of equation (14) is essentially a normalization procedure in that the theoretical velocity of a material and the type of wave (longitudinal or shear) used in the velocity measurement are "removed" as variables. From the derivative of equation (14), the following quantity can be defined:

\[
\left( \frac{1}{m'} \right) = \left( \frac{\Delta \%P}{\Delta \%TV} \right) \tag{16}
\]

where \( \Delta \) is "change in."

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**DATA EXTRACTION PROCEDURE**

Almost all of the data presented in this study were obtained from previously-published studies. The policy employed was that all of the available data should be tabulated and analyzed. In most cases, the reference provided \( V \) versus \( \rho \) data, either in the form of a table or plot. In some cases, the reference provided percent theoretical density (\( \%\rho_0 \)) or \( P' \) values instead of \( \rho \) values. Where necessary, \( \rho \) and \( \%\rho_0 \) values were converted to \( \%P \) values with the aid of equations (4) and (10).

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**STATISTICAL ANALYSIS METHOD**

Linear regression analysis and its associated statistics utilized in this study are briefly described in the next several paragraphs. The authors felt that a comprehensive set of statistics was necessary for this analysis because of the variation among data sets in the number of velocity measurements and the porosity fraction range over which those measurements were made.

Linear regression analysis is concerned with the problem of predicting or estimating the value of a (dependent) variable \( V \) and \( \%TV \) in equations (11) and (14), respectively, on the basis of another (independent) variable \( \%P \) in equations (11) and (14). For the sake of simplicity, we have applied the classical regression model (ref. 23) which involves the following assumptions. \( V \) (and \( \%TV \)) has been assumed to contain all the error while \( \%P \) has been assumed to contain no

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2In most cases, the references provided \( V \) and \( \rho \) data to 3 or 4 significant figures. For the sake of uniformity, all data and subsequent calculations including statistical values are presented in this report to at most 3 significant figures.
The variance in V (and %TV) has been assumed to be constant for all values of %P, and the distribution about V has been assumed to be normal with mean values lying exactly on the regression line. It also has been assumed that only one V value was measured at a particular %P.

Linear regression analysis results in predicted slope (m and m' in eqs. (11) and (14), respectively) and intercept (V_0 in eq. (11)) values that describe the relationship between V (and %TV) and %P. The Pearson product-moment correlation coefficient and level of significance statistics describe the quality of the regression. The correlation coefficient measures the strength of the linear relationship for the sample data. The level of significance, determined by the number of data points and the value of the correlation coefficient, determines an acceptance or confidence region for the regression. A level of significance of 0.025 corresponds to a 95 percent confidence region. The smaller (better) the level of significance, the lower the probability that the value of the correlation coefficient can be attributed to chance.

Confidence intervals for the predicted slope, intercept, and mean velocity values (the mean of further velocity measurements obtained at some %P value) are also presented. The 95 percent symmetric confidence interval was chosen for the analysis. In practical terms, the 95 percent confidence interval means that in 95 percent of the cases, the true value of the parameter will fall within the calculated interval.

**REVIEW AND ANALYSIS**

The review and statistical analysis are presented in Table I and figures 1 to 61. Most of the figures show scatter plots of V versus %P data for Al_2O_3 (refs. 16, 24 to 27), CuO (ref. 28) MgO (ref. 29), porcelain-based ceramics (refs. 7, 30 and 31), PZT (ref. 8), SiC (refs. 26, 32 to 35), Si_3N_4 (refs. 36 to 38), steel (ref. 39), tungsten (ref. 2), UO_2 (ref. 40), (U_0.30 Pu_0.70)C (ref. 41), and YBa_2Cu_3O_7-x (refs. 11, 42 to 45). The table presents the linear regression statistics corresponding to the scatter plots. The 95 percent confidence interval for the predicted slope and intercept values are presented in table I while the 95 percent confidence interval for mean predicted velocity values is shown by

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3An analysis assuming errors in both variables is significantly more complicated. For some data sets, the uncertainty in %P may in fact be comparable to that of V. The total uncertainties in each of %P and V including experimental uncertainties, uncertainties in extracting data from plots, and different assumed values of p_0 are estimated to be less than 5 percent in all cases.
dashed lines on the scatter plots. 5
The quantity ($\Delta\%P/\Delta\%TV$) is provided for all plot lines in the corresponding table entries. (Note that this quantity also has a confidence interval associated with it, the width of which is similar to that for $m'$.)

Pertinent information concerning the reference's study including ultrasonic technique, measurement uncertainties, 6 microstructural anisotropy, material processing techniques, and velocity variation within specimens is also included in the table. A blank table entry indicates that the information was unavailable. The "comments" in the table give the number of data points for that particular reference and in some cases point out a major conclusion determined by the reference concerning the $V$ versus $\%P$ data.

The figures are organized as follows. Figures 1 to 4, 6 to 9, 12 to 15, 17 to 23, 25, 26, 28, 29, 33 to 36, 38, 40 to 42, 44, 45, 48 to 50, 52 to 54, 57 to 59, show scatter plots of $V$ (and $%TV$) versus $%P$ for a single reference's data. 7 Results of multiple investigations for a specific material were also combined and analyzed as one data set in figures 5, 10, 37, 43, 46, 55, and 60. Additionally, plots comparing predicted (in most cases) regression lines obtained for a specific material from different investigations are given in figures 11, 16, 24, 27, 30 to 32, 39, 47, 51, 56, and 61. Where applicable for a material, scatter plots of longitudinal wave velocity data are presented before plots of shear wave velocity data. For most scatter plots, the solid line drawn is the linear regression line determined from the least-squares technique. For the plots with only two data points, a line is drawn through the points. In this case, the correlation coefficient, level of significance, and confidence interval statistics are not applicable.

5 Several issues concerning the 95 percent confidence intervals for predicted intercept, slope, and mean velocity values need to be noted. First, the assumption of only one $V$ value for a particular $%P$ value is a conservative assumption that we know is false for some of the data sets in this review (see "comments" in table I). This assumption tends to make the limits of the confidence interval wider (worse) than if the confidence interval was calculated based on the mean of several velocity measurement values at a particular $%P$ value. Second, the confidence intervals for predicted slope and intercept may not appear exactly symmetric in table I due to the round off procedure. Third, the 95 percent confidence interval for mean predicted velocity values is in most cases drawn (dashed line) over the entire $%P$ range shown. In several cases, the interval extends beyond the $%P$ range where velocity data exists. In these cases, the interval widens (worsens) as expected where no data exists.

6 In most cases, the experimental uncertainties in the velocity and density measurements were provided by the reference. In the event that they were not, the uncertainties were estimated from the reference's description of samples and measurement techniques, and from our experience.

7 Because the range of $%P$ values for which velocity measurements were obtained varied from reference to reference, the ranges shown on the horizontal and vertical axes of the plots differ from one to the next, i.e., the plots are not standardized. In some cases, the plot axes had to be adjusted to allow the presentation of the 95 percent confidence interval for mean predicted velocity values.
DISCUSSION

General Observations

Correlation coefficients with magnitudes greater than 0.95 were obtained in 31 out of 42 cases. Levels of significance with magnitudes less than 0.025 were obtained in 36 out of 42 cases.

For longitudinal wave velocity, predicted intercepts \( V_0 \) ranged from 0.443 cm/µs for unpoled PZT4 and unpoled PZT5 of reference 8 to 1.23 cm/µs for SiC of reference 33. For shear wave velocity, predicted intercepts \( V_0 \) ranged from 0.313 cm/µs for YBa\(_2\)Cu\(_3\)O\(_{7-x}\) to 0.786 cm/µs for SiC of reference 26. The quantity \( \Delta%P/\Delta%TV \) ranged from 0.52 for porcelain of reference 7 and poled PZT4 of reference 8 to 8.26 for porcelain T2 of reference 31. It is understandable that these quantities vary from one material to the next since each material has different elastic properties and density (eq. (1)). Predicted intercepts \( V_0 \) for a specific material from different investigations agree fairly well (see the plots and tabular entries for Al\(_2\)O\(_3\), SiC, and Si\(_3\)N\(_4\)). Predicted slopes for a specific material from different investigations agree fairly well in most cases. However, significant slope disparity is evident for Al\(_2\)O\(_3\); this may be due to the limited porosity range for the data of references 26 and 27 and the inclusion of green and pre-fired sample data in the cases of references 24 and 25. For reference 26, the limited porosity range over which data was obtained is manifested in extremely wide 95 percent confidence limits for predicted slope, intercept and mean velocity values. In fact, one of the bounds for the confidence limits for predicted slope is a positive value.

Table II compares \( V_0 \) predicted from regression analysis with that calculated from equations (7) (longitudinal wave velocity) and (7a) (shear wave velocity) for several materials. Values of elastic modulus, Poisson's ratio, and density for fully-dense (single crystal and/or polycrystalline) materials used in the calculation are presented. The values of \( V_0 \) predicted from regression and those obtained from calculation agree within approximately 17 percent in 16 out of 16 cases, and within approximately 6 percent in 11 out of 16 cases.

Other Microstructural Variables Affecting Velocity

Although porosity fraction seems to be a significant and perhaps the major microstructural feature affecting ultrasonic velocity, several references point to other microstructural variables having an impact on velocity. These include slight compositional variations (ref. 31), preferred domain orientation (ref. 8), particle contact anisotropy (ref. 39), pore size distribution and geometry (ref. 2), and type of agglomeration (ref. 25). These variables may result in differences in predicted intercept \( V_0 \) and slope for what is believed to be the same material from different investigations. Thus, the authors feel that the most accurate and precise application of the ultrasonic velocity method for estimating porosity fraction first requires the development of accurate velocity versus porosity fraction relationships/calibrations for the specific material of interest.

Ramifications

The estimation of batch-to-batch, sample-to-sample and within-sample %P variations for a material can be accomplished if the quantity \( \Delta%P/\Delta%TV \) is known with reasonable confidence for that material. The nondestructive mapping of spatial porosity fraction variations within a sample by means of an ultrasonic scanning technique has been reported recently (refs. 50 and
51). This approach may also be useful in the analysis of the uniformity of composite materials (ref. 34).

CONCLUSION

A review and statistical analysis of the ultrasonic velocity method for estimating the porosity fraction in polycrystalline materials is presented. First, a semi-empirical model was developed showing the origin of the linear relationship between ultrasonic velocity and porosity fraction. Then, from a compilation of data produced by many researchers, scatter plots of velocity versus percent porosity data were shown for Al₂O₃, CuO, MgO, porcelain-based ceramics, PZT, SiC, Si₃N₄, steel, tungsten, UO₂, (U₀.₃₀P₂₀.₇₀)C, and YBa₂Cu₃₀₋ₓ. Linear regression analysis produced slope, intercept, correlation coefficient, level of significance, and confidence interval statistics for the data. Velocity values predicted from regression analysis for fully-dense materials are in good agreement with those calculated from elastic properties. The estimation of batch-to-batch, sample-to-sample, and within-sample variations in porosity fraction for a material can be accomplished with ultrasonic velocity measurements if reasonable confidence exists in the velocity versus percent porosity linear relationship.

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LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS FOR TABLE I.

\( V \) = Velocity (cm/\( \mu \)sec)

\( SV \) = Shear wave velocity (cm/\( \mu \)sec)

\( LV \) = Longitudinal wave velocity (cm/\( \mu \)sec)

\( \%TV \) = Percent theoretical velocity

\( \%P \) = Percent porosity

\( \text{Wt.} \) = Weight

\( \beta_0 \) = Predicted value of intercept (Theoretical velocity)

\( \beta_0' \) = Predicted value of intercept (Percent theoretical velocity)

\( \beta_s \) = Predicted value of slope (Velocity/percent porosity)

\( \beta^*_{11} \) = Predicted value of slope (Percent theoretical velocity/percent porosity)

\( \text{N/A} \) = Not applicable

\( \text{RBSN} \) = Reaction-bonded silicon nitride

\( \Delta \) = Change in

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### Percent Porosity: Review and Statistical Analysis

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### Percent Porosity Variation Across One Surface of Specimen (%)

- **Correlation Coefficient:**
  - $0.996$
  - $0.982$
  - $0.978$
  - $0.992$
  - $0.967$
  - $1.0$
  - $0.944$
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  - $0.910$
  - $0.990$

- **95% Confidence Intervals for Predicted Intercept ($\beta_0$) and Slope ($\beta_1$):**
  - $0.001$  
  - $0.0001$  
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### Comments

- Velocity may be very slightly sensitive to the type of agglomerates found in ceramic samples, which may depend on whether sample is calcined or not. 2 data points in low % porosity region widely separated from other 4 data points in high % porosity region (Green samples).
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| $\%TV = 1.78 + \%P + 100$ | $-0.992$  
0.0001 | $0.713 \leq \beta_0 \leq 0.743$  
$-0.0014 \leq \beta_1 \leq -0.0012$ | $97.9 \leq \beta_0 \leq 102$  
$-1.87 \leq \beta_1 \leq -1.70$ | $-0.56$ | 27 data points, multiphase ceramic, sample composition and thus theoretical density vary slightly with firing temperature, measurements made along extrusion axis |
| $\%TV = 1.93 + \%P + 100$ | $-0.988$  
0.0001 | $0.442 \leq \beta_0 \leq 0.454$  
$-0.009 \leq \beta_1 \leq -0.008$ | $98.7 \leq \beta_0 \leq 101$  
$-1.98 \leq \beta_1 \leq -1.84$ | $-0.52$ | |
| $\%TV = -0.835 + \%P + 100$ | $-0.987$  
0.0001 | $0.006 \leq \beta_0 \leq 0.630$  
$-0.007 \leq \beta_1 \leq -0.005$ | $98.1 \leq \beta_0 \leq 102$  
$-1.11 \leq \beta_1 \leq -0.760$ | $-1.07$ | 7 data points, multiphase ceramic, sample composition and thus theoretical density vary slightly with firing temp |
| $\%TV = -0.312 + \%P + 100$ | $-0.586$  
0.414 | $0.553 \leq \beta_0 \leq 0.668$  
$-0.010 \leq \beta_1 \leq 0.006$ | $90.5 \leq \beta_0 \leq 109$  
$-1.34 \leq \beta_1 \leq -1.28$ | $-3.21$ | 4 data points, multiphase ceramic, sample composition and thus theoretical density vary slightly with firing temp |
| $\%TV = -0.740 + \%P + 100$ | $-0.983$  
0.017 | $0.598 \leq \beta_0 \leq 0.631$  
$-0.007 \leq \beta_1 \leq -0.002$ | $97.3 \leq \beta_0 \leq 102$  
$-1.04 \leq \beta_1 \leq -0.436$ | $-1.35$ | |
| $\%TV = -0.217 + \%P + 100$ | $-0.894$  
0.106 | $0.612 \leq \beta_0 \leq 0.632$  
$-0.003 \leq \beta_1 \leq 0.005$ | $98.6 \leq \beta_0 \leq 101$  
$-0.422 \leq \beta_1 \leq 0.068$ | $-5.99$ | |
| $\%TV = -0.121 + \%P + 100$ | $-0.947$  
0.053 | $0.621 \leq \beta_0 \leq 0.631$  
$-0.002 \leq \beta_1 \leq 0.003$ | $99.2 \leq \beta_0 \leq 101$  
$-0.246 \leq \beta_1 \leq 0.004$ | $-8.26$ | |
| $\%TV = -1.68 + \%P + 100$ | N/A  
N/A | N/A  
N/A | N/A  
N/A | $-0.60$ | 2 data points for each set, PZT4, PZT5, and PZT7 are each different solid solution combinations of PbZrO$_3$ and PbTiO$_3$ but theoretical density is - 8.0 g/cc for each, poling orients electric domains; velocity measured along polarized direction for poled specimens; no correlation coefficient is given since only 2 data points for each set, all poled sets have higher theoretical velocity than corresponding unpoled set |
| $\%TV = -1.93 + \%P + 100$ | N/A  
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N/A | $-0.52$ | 2 data points for each set, PZT4, PZT5, and PZT7 are each different solid solution combinations of PbZrO$_3$ and PbTiO$_3$ but theoretical density is - 8.0 g/cc for each, poling orients electric domains; velocity measured along polarized direction for poled specimens; no correlation coefficient is given since only 2 data points for each set, all poled sets have higher theoretical velocity than corresponding unpoled set |
| $\%TV = -1.85 + \%P + 100$ | N/A  
N/A | N/A  
N/A | N/A  
N/A | $-0.54$ | |
| $\%TV = -2.12 + \%P + 100$ | N/A  
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N/A | $-0.47$ | 2 data points for each set, PZT4, PZT5, and PZT7 are each different solid solution combinations of PbZrO$_3$ and PbTiO$_3$ but theoretical density is - 8.0 g/cc for each, poling orients electric domains; velocity measured along polarized direction for poled specimens; no correlation coefficient is given since only 2 data points for each set, all poled sets have higher theoretical velocity than corresponding unpoled set |
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<td>-0.098 ≤ β₁ ≤ -0.068</td>
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<td>8 data points. Material is unprocessed green compact. Velocity variation even though small density variation within specimen. Quality of contact between individual powder particles may affect velocity.</td>
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### Predicted Line Equation

\[ \%TV = \beta_0 + \%P + \beta_1 \%

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**Comments**

- Data point: sample was single-phase, untextured, and free of nonuniform stress
- Largest Velocity Variation Across One Surface of Specimen (%): 1 data point
- Corresponding Figure Number: 50, 61
### Table II: Comparison of \( V_L \) Predicted from Regression Analysis with That Calculated from Equations 7 (Longitudinal Velocity) and 7a (Shear Wave Velocity)

| Material | Single crystal (S) or poly-crystalline (P) | Average \( V_L \) from regression \( (V_{LP}) \) \( \text{[cm/sec]} \) | Calculated \( V_L \) from eq. (7) \( (V_{LC}) \) \( \text{[cm/sec]} \) | % Variation between \( V_{LC} \) and \( V_{LP} \) \( = \frac{100 \times V_{LP} - V_{LC}}{V_{LP}} \) | Average \( V_{SW} \) from regression \( (V_{SWP}) \) \( \text{[cm/sec]} \) | Calculated \( V_{SW} \) from eq. (7a) \( (V_{SWC}) \) \( \text{[cm/sec]} \) | % Variation between \( V_{SWC} \) and \( V_{SWP} \) \( = \frac{100 \times V_{SWP} - V_{SWC}}{V_{SWP}} \) | Fully-dense 
elastic modulus, \( E \times 10^6 \) psi \( \text{[Ref.]} \) | Poisson's ratio, \( \nu \) [ref.] | Theoretical density, \( \rho_D \) \( g/cm^3 \) |
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1. Figure 1: Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for Al₂O₃ (ref. 24).
Velocity = -0.018 x percent porosity + 1.09.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.85 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.999.

2. Figure 2: Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for Al₂O₃ (ref. 25).
Velocity = -0.019 x percent porosity + 1.13.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.84 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.992.

3. Figure 3: Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for Al₂O₃ (ref. 16).
Velocity = -0.007 x percent porosity + 1.00.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.736 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.982.
Figure 4. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for Al₂O₃ (ref. 26).
Velocity = -0.004 x percent porosity + 1.01.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.377 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.696.

Figure 5. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for Al₂O₃ (refs. 16, 24 to 26).
Velocity = -0.016 x percent porosity + 1.10.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.43 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.949.

Figure 6. - Shear velocity versus percent porosity for Al₂O₃ (ref. 27).
Velocity = -0.003 x percent porosity + 0.869.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.477 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.936.
Figure 7. - Shear velocity versus percent porosity for Al₂O₃ (ref. 24).
Velocity = -0.012 x percent porosity + 0.655.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.87 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -1.00.

Figure 8. - Shear velocity versus percent porosity for Al₂O₃ (ref. 25).
Velocity = -0.010 x percent porosity + 0.666.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.55 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.987.

Figure 9. - Shear velocity versus percent porosity for Al₂O₃ (ref. 16).
Velocity = -0.004 x percent porosity + 0.828.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.662 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.990.
Figure 10. Shear velocity versus percent porosity for Al₂O₃ (refs. 16, 24, 25, 27).

Velocity = -0.009 x percent porosity + 0.693.

Percent theoretical velocity = -1.35 x percent porosity + 100.

Correlation coefficient = -0.910.

Figure 11. Ultrasonic velocity versus percent porosity for Al₂O₃ (refs. 16, 24 to 27).

Figure 12. Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for CuO (ref. 28).

Velocity = -0.006 x percent porosity + 0.474.

Percent theoretical velocity = -1.34 x percent porosity + 100.

Correlation coefficient = -0.990.
Figure 13. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for "green" MgO (ref. 29).
Velocity = -0.018 x percent porosity + 0.817.
Correlation coefficient = -1.00.

Figure 14. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for porcelain (ref. 7).
Velocity = -0.013 x percent porosity + 0.728.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.78 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.994.

Figure 15. - Shear velocity versus percent porosity for porcelain (ref. 7).
Velocity = -0.009 x percent porosity + 0.448.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.93 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.996.
Figure 16. - Ultrasonic velocity versus percent porosity for porcelain (ref. 7).

Figure 17. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for porcelain (ref. 30).
Velocity = -0.006 x percent porosity + 0.618.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.935 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.987.

Figure 18. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for porcelain P1 (ref. 31).
Velocity = -0.002 x percent porosity + 0.611.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.312 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.586.
Figure 19. Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for porcelain P2 (ref. 31).
Velocity = -0.005 x percent porosity + 0.615.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.740 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.983.

Figure 20. Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for porcelain T1 (ref. 3).
Velocity = -0.001 x percent porosity + 0.623.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.167 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.894.

Figure 21. Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for porcelain T2 (ref. 31).
Velocity = -0.001 x percent porosity + 0.626.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.121 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.947.
Figure 22. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for unpoled PZT4 (ref. 8).
velocity = -0.007 x percent porosity + 0.443.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.68 x percent porosity + 100.

Figure 23. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for poled PZT4 (ref. 8).
velocity = -0.009 x percent porosity + 0.483.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.93 x percent porosity + 100.

Figure 24. - Ultrasonic velocity versus percent porosity for PZT4 (ref. 8).
Figure 25. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for unpoled PZT5 (ref. 8).
Velocity = -0.008 x percent porosity + 0.443.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.85 x percent porosity + 100.

Figure 26. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for poled PZT5 (ref. 8).
Velocity = -0.010 x percent porosity + 0.486.
Percent theoretical velocity = -2.12 x percent porosity + 100.

Figure 27. - Ultrasonic velocity versus percent porosity for PZT5 (ref. 8).
Figure 28. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for unpoled PZT7 (ref. 8).
Velocity = -0.004 x percent porosity + 0.464.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.760 x percent porosity + 100.

Figure 29. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for poled PZT7 (ref. 8).
Velocity = -0.005 x percent porosity + 0.494.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.952 x percent porosity + 100.

Figure 30. - Ultrasonic velocity versus percent porosity for PZT7 (ref. 8).
Figure 31. - Ultrasonic velocity versus percent porosity for unpoled PZT (ref. 8).

Figure 32. - Ultrasonic velocity versus percent porosity for poled PZT (ref. 8).

Figure 33. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for green SiC (ref. 32).

Velocity = -0.007 x percent porosity + 0.464.
Correlation coefficient = -0.974.
Figure 34. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for SiC (ref. 33).
Velocity = -0.014 x percent porosity + 1.23.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.16 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.993.

Figure 35. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for SiC (ref. 34).
Velocity = -0.011 x percent porosity + 1.21.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.916 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.999.

Figure 36. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for SiC (ref. 35).
Velocity = -0.011 x percent porosity + 1.22.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.883 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.957.
Figure 37. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for SiC (refs. 33 to 35).
Velocity = -0.011 x percent porosity + 1.22.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.912 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.964.

Figure 38. - Shear velocity versus percent porosity for SiC (ref. 26).
Velocity = -0.009 x percent porosity + 0.786.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.16 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.991.

Figure 39. - Ultrasonic velocity versus percent porosity for SiC (refs. 26, 33 to 35).
Figure 40. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for Si$_3$N$_4$ (ref. 36).
Velocity = $-0.015 \times \text{percent porosity} + 1.11$.
Percent theoretical velocity = $-1.34 \times \text{percent porosity} + 100$.

Figure 41. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for Si$_3$N$_4$ (ref. 37).
Velocity = $-0.016 \times \text{percent porosity} + 1.14$.
Percent theoretical velocity = $-1.41 \times \text{percent porosity} + 100$
Correlation coefficient = $-0.997$.

Figure 42. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for Si$_3$N$_4$ (ref. 38).
Velocity = $-0.013 \times \text{percent porosity} + 1.12$.
Percent theoretical velocity = $-1.15 \times \text{percent porosity} + 100$
Correlation coefficient = $-0.991$. 
Figure 43. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for Si$_3$N$_4$ (refs. 36 to 38).
Velocity = $-0.014 \times $ percent porosity + 1.12.
Percent theoretical velocity = $-1.27 \times $ percent porosity + 100
Correlation coefficient = -0.981.

Figure 44. - Shear velocity versus percent porosity for Si$_3$N$_4$ (ref. 37).
Velocity = $-0.008 \times $ percent porosity + 0.652.
Percent theoretical velocity = $-1.18 \times $ percent porosity + 100
Correlation coefficient = -0.981.

Figure 45. - Shear velocity versus percent porosity for Si$_3$N$_4$ (ref. 38).
Velocity = $-0.007 \times $ percent porosity + 0.675.
Percent theoretical velocity = $-1.10 \times $ percent porosity + 100
Correlation coefficient = -0.984.
Figure 46. - Shear velocity versus percent porosity for Si$_3$N$_4$ (refs. 37, 38).

Velocity = $-0.007 \times$ percent porosity + 0.645.
Percent theoretical velocity = $-1.07 \times$ percent porosity + 100
Correlation coefficient = -0.973.

Figure 47. - Ultrasonic velocity versus percent porosity for Si$_3$N$_4$ (refs. 36 to 38).

Figure 48. - Longitudinal velocity measured in the A direction versus percent porosity for steel (ref. 39).

Velocity = $-0.007 \times$ percent porosity + 0.563.
Percent theoretical velocity = $-1.19 \times$ percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.972.
Figure 49. - Longitudinal velocity measured in the B direction versus percent porosity for steel (ref. 39). Velocity = -0.009 x percent porosity + 0.588. Percent theoretical velocity = -1.53 x percent porosity + 100. Correlation coefficient = -0.985.

Figure 50. - Longitudinal velocity measured in the C direction versus percent porosity for steel (ref. 39). Velocity = -0.009 x percent porosity + 0.590. Percent theoretical velocity = -1.48 x percent porosity + 100. Correlation coefficient = -0.996.

Figure 51. - Ultrasonic velocity versus percent porosity for steel (ref. 39).
Figure 52. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for tungsten (ref. 2) with Kenna nominal 4 µm starting powder size.
Velocity = -0.005 x percent porosity + 0.520.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.939 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.960.

Figure 53. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for tungsten (ref. 2) with General Electric nominal 4 µm starting powder size.
Velocity = -0.006 x percent porosity + 0.558.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.13 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.918.

Figure 54. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for tungsten (ref. 2) with General Electric nominal 18 µm starting powder size.
Velocity = -0.008 x percent porosity + 0.554.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.38 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.992.
Figure 55. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for tungsten (ref. 2).
Velocity = -0.006 x percent porosity + 0.533.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.11 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.916.

Figure 56. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for tungsten (ref. 2).

Figure 57. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for UO₂ (ref. 40).
Velocity = -0.008 x percent porosity + 0.550.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.49 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.997.
Figure 58. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for (U0.30 Pu0.70)C (ref. 41).
Velocity = -0.004 x percent porosity + 0.460.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.958 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.949.

Figure 59. - Longitudinal velocity versus percent porosity for YBa2Cu3O7-x (ref. 43).
Velocity = -0.007 x percent porosity + 0.565.
Percent theoretical velocity = -1.28 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.991.

Figure 60. - Shear velocity versus percent porosity for YBa2Cu3O7-x (refs. 11, 42 to 45).
Velocity = -0.002 x percent porosity + 0.313.
Percent theoretical velocity = -0.768 x percent porosity + 100.
Correlation coefficient = -0.814.
Figure 61. Ultrasonic velocity versus percent porosity for YBa$_2$Cu$_3$O$_{7-x}$ (refs 11, 42 to 45).
A review and statistical analysis of the ultrasonic velocity method for estimating the porosity fraction in polycrystalline materials is presented. Initially, a semi-empirical model is developed showing the origin of the linear relationship between ultrasonic velocity and porosity fraction. Then, from a compilation of data produced by many researchers, scatter plots of velocity versus percent porosity data are shown for Al₂O₃, CuO, MgO, porcelain-based ceramics, PZT, SiC, Si₃N₄, steel, tungsten, UO₂, (U₀.₃₀Pu₀.₇₀)C, and YBa₂Cu₃O₇₋ₓ. Linear regression analysis produced predicted slope, intercept, correlation coefficient, level of significance, and confidence interval statistics for the data. Velocity values predicted from regression analysis for fully-dense materials are in good agreement with those calculated from elastic properties.