

**Effect of the content and strength of hard segment on the  
viscoelasticity of the polyurethane elastomer: Insight from molecular  
dynamics simulation**

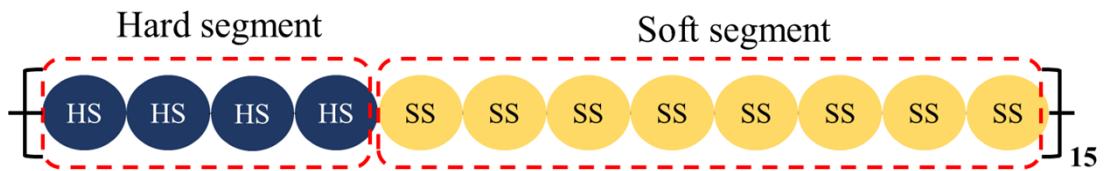
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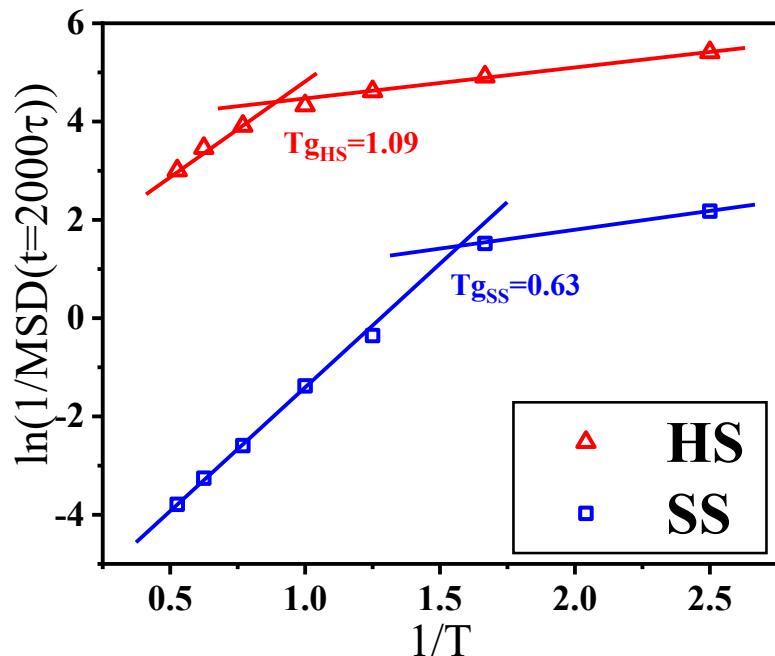
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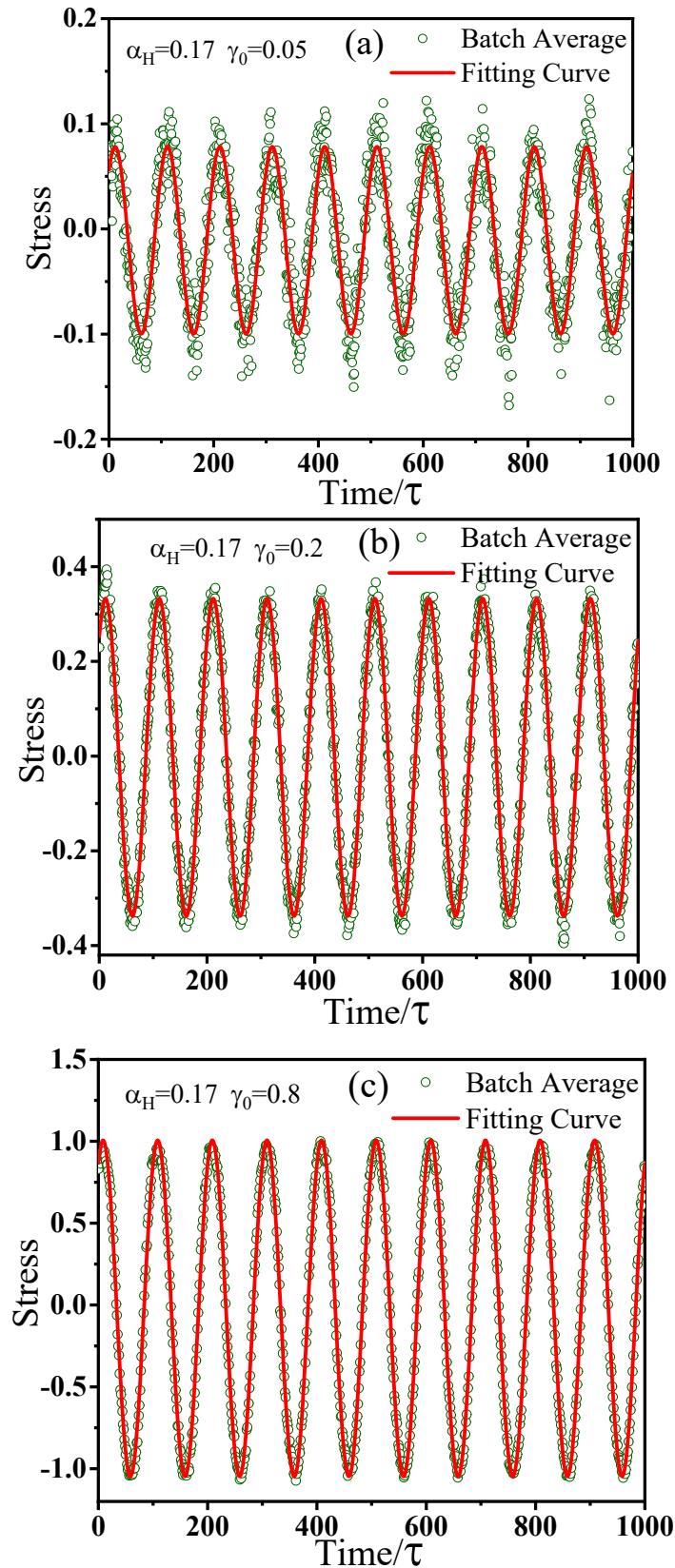
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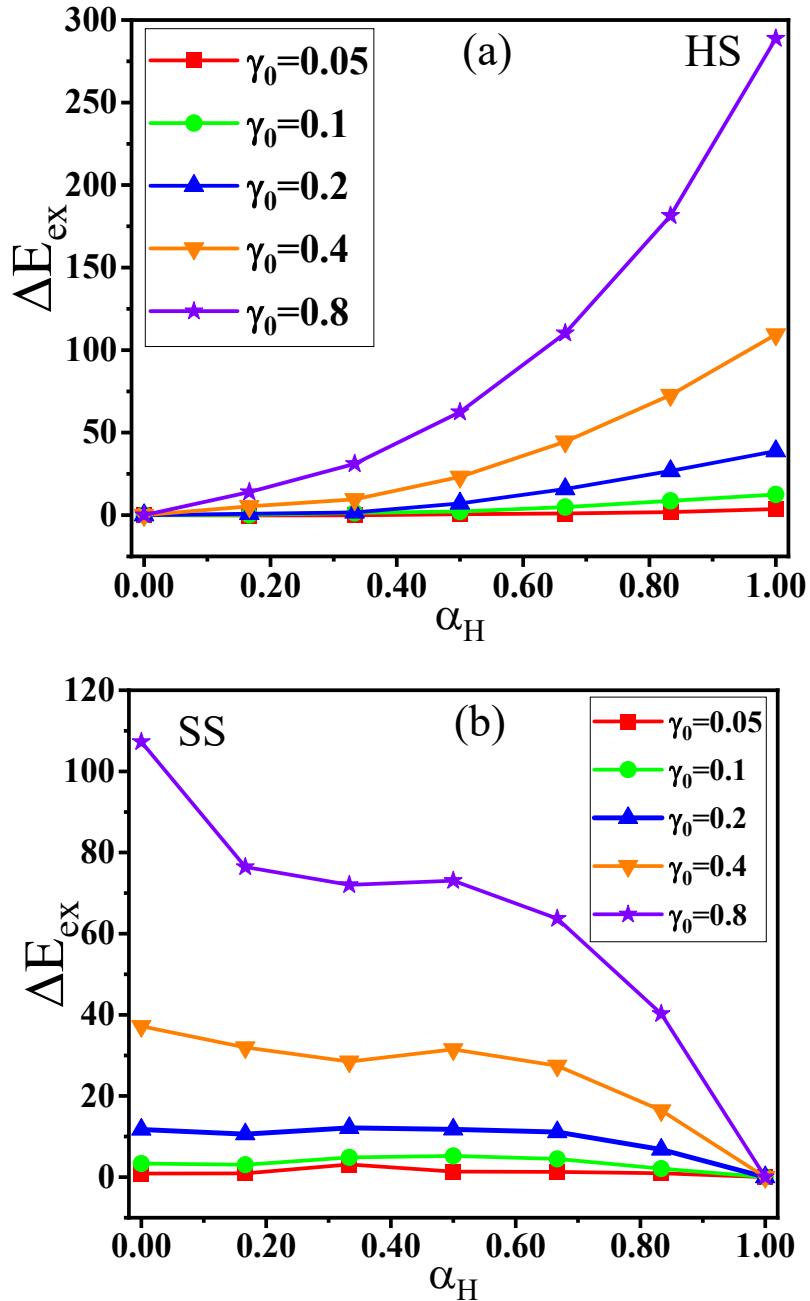
**Fig. S1** Schematic representation of the modelled hard-soft block PU chain containing 15 repeating units where the content of HS  $\alpha_H$  is 0.33.



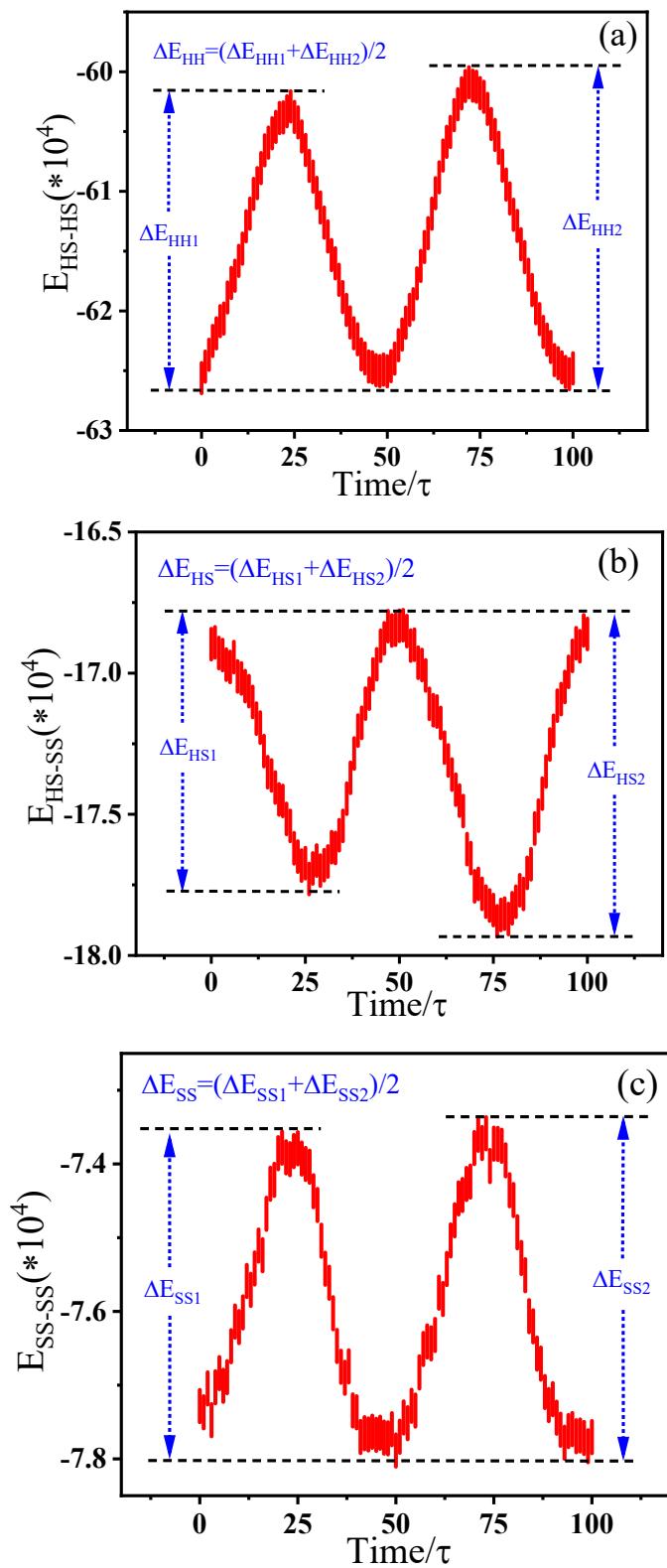
**Fig. S2** The glass transition temperature ( $T_g$ ) of the pure HS polymer ( $\alpha_H = 1.0$ ) and the pure SS polymer ( $\alpha_H = 0.0$ ).



**Fig. S3** The time-dependent shear stress  $\sigma_{xy}$  at shear strain amplitude (a)  $\gamma_0=0.05$ , (b)  $\gamma_0=0.2$ , (c)  $\gamma_0=0.8$ . The empty dots stand for the “batch averaged” shear stress while the continuous lines are sinusoidal fits to empty dots. ( $T^*=1.0$ ,  $\alpha_H=0.17$ )



**Fig. S4(a)** The thermal energy exchange ( $\Delta E_{\text{ex}}$ ) contributed by (a) HS and (b) SS respectively with respect to the content of HS  $\alpha_H$  for different shear strain amplitudes  $\gamma^0$ . ( $T^*=1.0$ )



**Fig. S5 Schematic diagram of the energy difference ( $\Delta E_{\text{HH}}$ ,  $\Delta E_{\text{HS}}$ ,  $\Delta E_{\text{SS}}$ ) between HS and HS, HS and SS or SS and SS during the sinusoidal shear process. ( $\alpha_H = 0.5$ )**