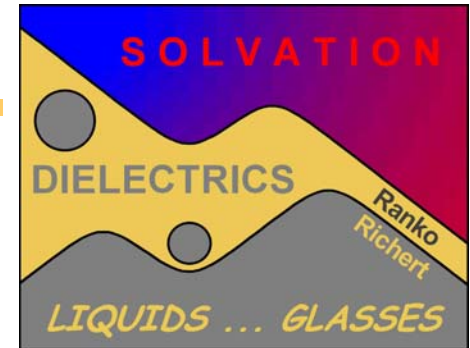


Dielectric Modulus: Experiment, Application, and Interpretation



Tutorial on "Broadband Dielectric
Spectroscopy and its Applications"

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History

Basic Properties

Experimental Approach

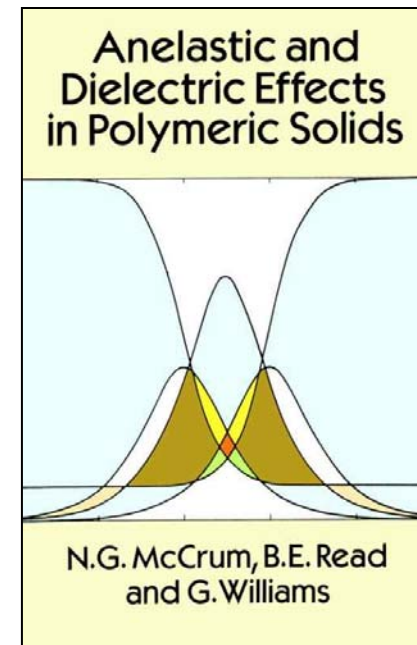
Applications

Ranko Richert

From shear modulus to electrical modulus

N. G. McCrum, B. E. Read, G. Williams,
Anelastic and Dielectric Effects in Polymeric Solids (Wiley, London, 1967)

MECHANICAL	DIELECTRIC (cgs)
stress σ	electric field E
strain γ	displacement D
shear compliance J	permittivity ϵ
$\gamma = J \sigma$	$D = \epsilon E$
shear modulus G	
$\sigma = G \gamma$	
$G = 1/J$	
	?



(Dover, New York, 1991)

Constant Field vs. Constant Charge: The Modulus

H. Fröhlich, *Theory of Dielectrics*,
Clarendon, Oxford, 1958

S.R. Elliott, *J. Non-Cryst. Solids*,
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We shall now use equation 10.7 in the investigation of the approach to equilibrium of a condenser. The following two cases are to be considered:

(a) Constant charge on the condenser plates. Then

$$\frac{dD}{dt} = 0, \quad D = D_0,$$

and hence, using 10.7,

$$\tau \frac{dE}{dt} + E = \frac{D_0}{\epsilon_s}, \quad \text{i.e.} \quad D_0 - \epsilon_s E \propto e^{-t/\tau'}, \quad (10.9)$$

where

$$\tau' = \frac{\epsilon_\infty}{\epsilon_s} \tau. \quad (10.10)$$

(b) Constant voltage at the condenser plates, i.e.

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = 0, \quad E = E_0.$$

It follows with 10.7 that

$$\tau \frac{dD}{dt} + D = \epsilon_s E_0, \quad \text{i.e.} \quad D - \epsilon_s E_0 \propto e^{-t/\tau}. \quad (10.11)$$

Both cases thus lead to exponential approach to equilibrium.

The first drawback to the modulus is that it is not a directly measurable quantity; instead, it is a complicated function of the measured quantities ϵ' , ϵ'' and σ_0 (Eq. (3)). Thus, significant experimental errors in, say, one of these quantities can be propagated into both the real and imaginary parts of the complex modulus. A further disadvantage is that the modulus is not directly related

$$M'' = \epsilon'' / \left[\epsilon'^2 + (\epsilon'' + \sigma_0/\omega\epsilon_0)^2 \right] + (\sigma_0/\omega\epsilon_0) / \left[\epsilon'^2 + (\epsilon'' + \sigma_0/\omega\epsilon_0)^2 \right]. \quad (3)$$

Electrical relaxation

N. G. McCrum, B. E. Read, G. Williams,
Anelastic and Dielectric Effects in Polymeric Solids (Wiley, London, 1967)

P.B. Macedo, C.T. Moynihan, R. Bose,
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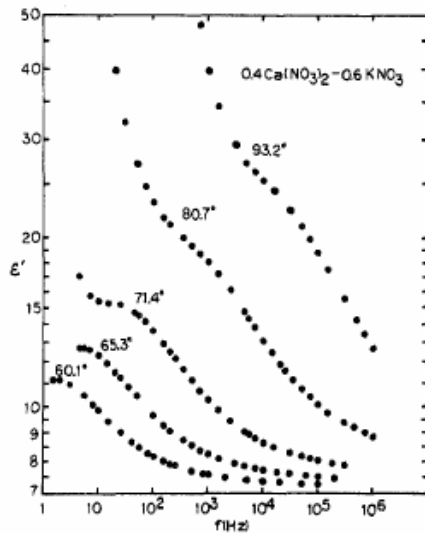


Figure 1. Dielectric constant vs. frequency for 0.4Ca(NO_3)₂-0.6KNO₃ melt above the glass transition temperature.

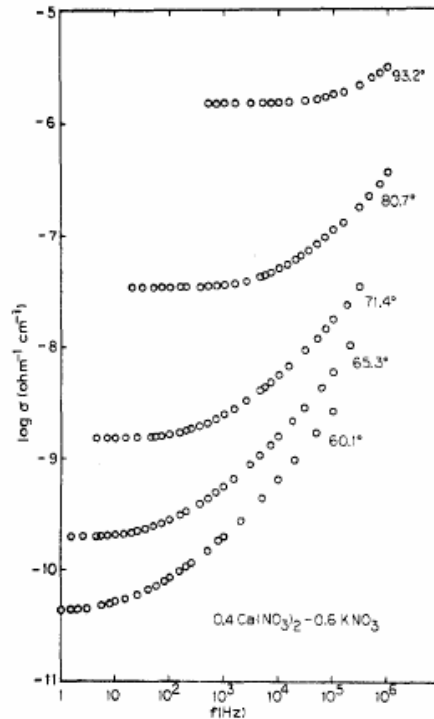


Figure 2. Conductivity vs. frequency for 0.4Ca(NO_3)₂-0.6KNO₃ melt above the glass transition temperature.

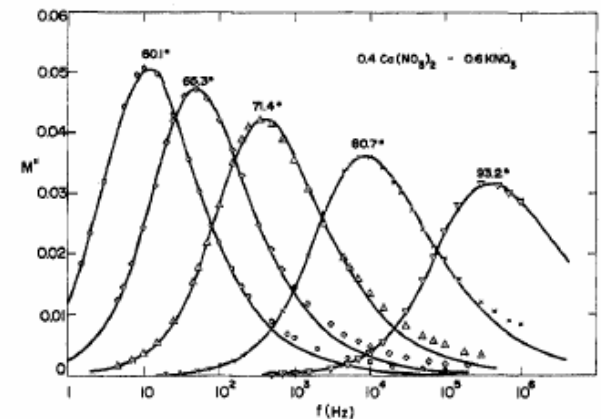
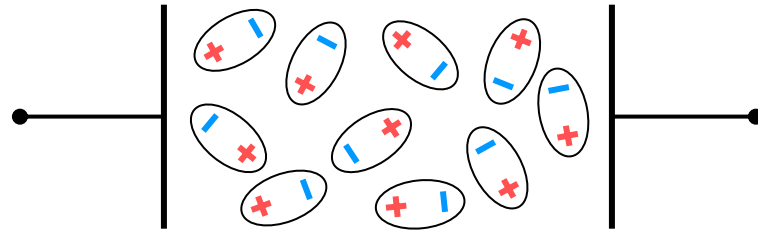


Figure 6. Imaginary part of the electric modulus vs. frequency for 0.4Ca(NO_3)₂-0.6KNO₃ melt above the glass transition temperature.

BASIC PROPERTIES



Dielectric Relaxation and Retardation



dielectric displacement $\mathbf{D} \equiv \frac{\mathbf{Q}}{\mathbf{A}} \propto \frac{\mathbf{U}}{\mathbf{d}} \equiv \mathbf{E}$ electric field

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E}$$

$$\epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \mathbf{D} = \mathbf{M} \mathbf{D}$$

Retardation

$$\epsilon^*(\omega) = \frac{Y^*(\omega)}{Y_0}$$

$$Y^*(\omega) = \frac{I^*(\omega)}{U^*(\omega)}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = 1 / \epsilon$$

Relaxation

$$M^*(\omega) = \frac{Z^*(\omega)}{Z_0}$$

$$Z^*(\omega) = \frac{U^*(\omega)}{I^*(\omega)}$$

definitions of dielectric and electric quantities

V	voltage	I	current	Q	charge
D	displacement	E	electric field	P	polarization
ε	dielectric function	M	electric modulus	χ	susceptibility
j	current density	σ	conductivity	ρ	resistivity

'permittivity of vacuum'

$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon_0 &= 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ pF m}^{-1} \\ &= 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ A s V}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1} \\ &= 8.854 \times 10^{-14} \text{ S s cm}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

steady state relations

$$D = \varepsilon \cdot \varepsilon_0 \cdot E \quad E = \frac{M}{\varepsilon_0} \cdot D$$

$$P = D - \varepsilon_0 E = (\varepsilon - 1)\varepsilon_0 E = \chi \varepsilon_0 E \quad \chi = \varepsilon - 1$$

$$j = \sigma \cdot E = j_\sigma + j_\varepsilon = j_\sigma + \dot{D} \quad E = \rho \cdot j \quad j = \dot{D}$$

$$D = \frac{Q}{A} \quad E = \frac{V}{d} \quad j = \frac{I}{A} \quad Q = \int_0^t I(t') dt'$$

$$\hat{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon' - i\varepsilon'' \quad \hat{\sigma} = i\omega\varepsilon_0\hat{\varepsilon} \quad \hat{\sigma} = \sigma' + i\sigma''$$

$$\hat{M} = 1/\hat{\varepsilon} \quad \hat{\rho} = 1/\hat{\sigma}$$

$$\hat{M} = M' + iM'' \quad \hat{\rho} = \hat{M} / i\omega\varepsilon_0 \quad \hat{\rho} = \rho' - i\rho''$$

constant field step $E(t) = E_0 \theta(t)$

$$\varepsilon(t) = \frac{D(t)}{\varepsilon_0 \cdot E_0}$$

$$\sigma(t) = \frac{j_\sigma + j_\varepsilon}{E_0} = \frac{j_\sigma + \dot{D}(t)}{E_0} = \frac{j_\sigma + \varepsilon_0 \cdot E_0 \cdot \dot{\varepsilon}(t)}{E_0}$$

$$\sigma(t) = \sigma_{dc} + \varepsilon_0 \cdot \dot{\varepsilon}(t)$$

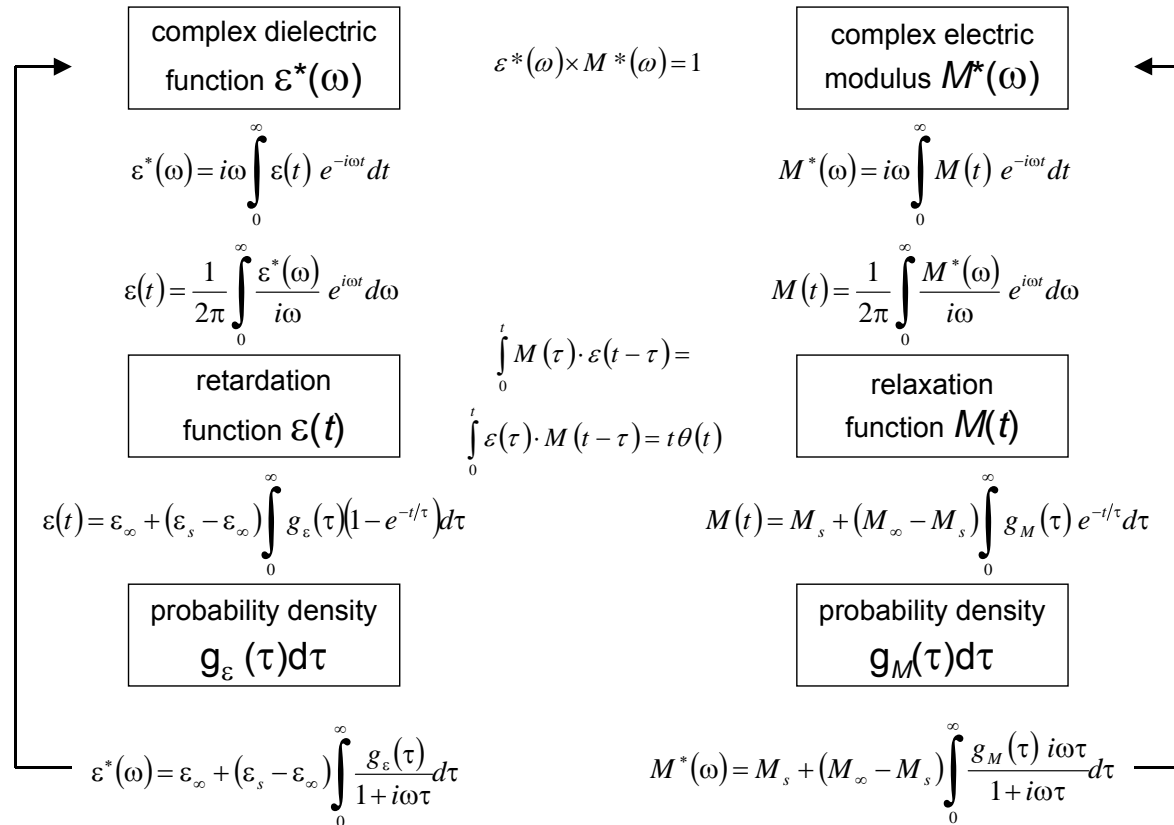
$$P(t) = D(t) - \varepsilon_0 \cdot E_0 = \varepsilon_0 \cdot E_0 \cdot [\varepsilon(t) - 1] = \varepsilon_0 \cdot E_0 \cdot \chi(t)$$

constant charge step $D(t) = D_0 \theta(t)$

$$M(t) = \frac{\varepsilon_0 \cdot E(t)}{D_0}$$

$$P(t) = D_0 - \varepsilon_0 \cdot E(t) = D_0 \cdot [1 - M(t)]$$

Relations for time/frequency, epsilon/modulus, and probability densities



Kramers-Kronig relations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \epsilon'(\omega) &= \epsilon_{\infty} + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \epsilon''(x) \frac{x}{x^2 - \omega^2} dx \\ \epsilon''(\omega) &= -\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} [\epsilon'(x) - \epsilon_{\infty}] \frac{\omega}{x^2 - \omega^2} dx \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \epsilon''(\ln \omega) d \ln \omega = \epsilon_s - \epsilon_{\infty}$$

time-scale relations: $M(\omega)$ - $\varepsilon(\omega)$ for the Debye case

$$\hat{M}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\hat{\varepsilon}(\omega)} \quad M_\infty = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_\infty} \quad M_s = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_s}$$

$$\hat{\varepsilon}(\omega) = \varepsilon_\infty + \frac{\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_\infty}{1 + i\omega\tau}$$

$$\hat{M}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\hat{\varepsilon}(\omega)} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_\infty + \frac{\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_\infty}{1 + i\omega\tau}} = \frac{1 + i\omega\tau}{\varepsilon_\infty(1 + i\omega\tau) + \varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_\infty} = \frac{1 + i\omega\tau}{\varepsilon_\infty i\omega\tau + \varepsilon_s}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\varepsilon_\infty} + \frac{1 + i\omega\tau - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_\infty}(\varepsilon_\infty i\omega\tau + \varepsilon_s)}{\varepsilon_\infty i\omega\tau + \varepsilon_s} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_\infty} + \frac{1 + i\omega\tau - i\omega\tau - \frac{\varepsilon_s}{\varepsilon_\infty}}{\varepsilon_s + \varepsilon_\infty i\omega\tau} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_\infty} + \frac{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_s} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_\infty}}{1 + \frac{\varepsilon_\infty}{\varepsilon_s} i\omega\tau}$$

$$= M_\infty + \frac{M_s - M_\infty}{1 + i\omega \left(\frac{\varepsilon_\infty}{\varepsilon_s} \tau \right)} = M_\infty + \frac{M_s - M_\infty}{1 + i\omega\tau'} \quad \text{with} \quad \tau' = \frac{\varepsilon_\infty}{\varepsilon_s} \tau$$

same function as $\varepsilon(\omega)$,
but different parameters

time-scale relations: $M(\omega)$ - $\varepsilon(\omega)$ for the non-Debye cases

$$\hat{M}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\hat{\varepsilon}(\omega)} \quad M_\infty = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_\infty} \quad M_s = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_s}$$

Kohlrausch-Williams-Watts (KWW)

$$\varepsilon(t) = \varepsilon_\infty + (\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_\infty) \times \left[1 - \exp \left[- \left(\frac{t}{\tau} \right)^\beta \right] \right]$$

$$\tau_M \approx \tau_\varepsilon \times \left(\frac{\varepsilon_\infty}{\varepsilon_s} \right)^{\frac{1}{\beta}}$$

Cole-Cole (CC)

$$\hat{\varepsilon}(\omega) = \varepsilon_\infty + (\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_\infty) \frac{1}{1 + (i\omega\tau)^\alpha}$$

$$\tau_M = \tau_\varepsilon \times \left(\frac{\varepsilon_\infty}{\varepsilon_s} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$$

Cole-Davidson (CD)

$$\hat{\varepsilon}(\omega) = \varepsilon_\infty + (\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_\infty) \frac{1}{[1 + i\omega\tau]^\gamma}$$

$$\tau_M \approx \tau_\varepsilon \times \left(\frac{\varepsilon_\infty}{\varepsilon_s} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}}$$

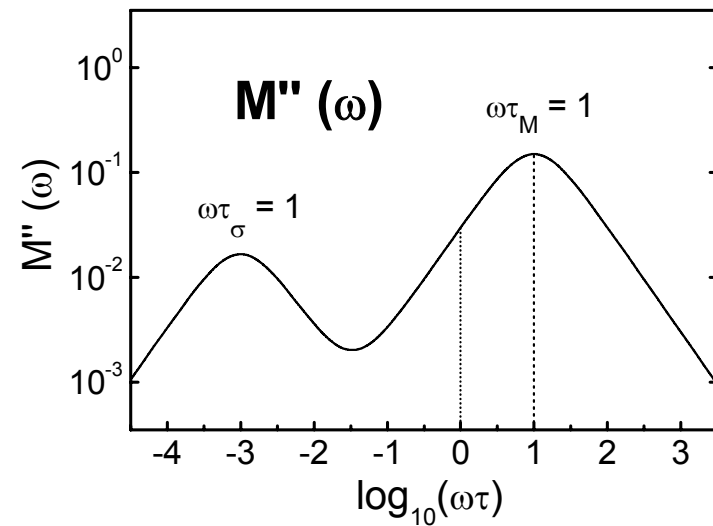
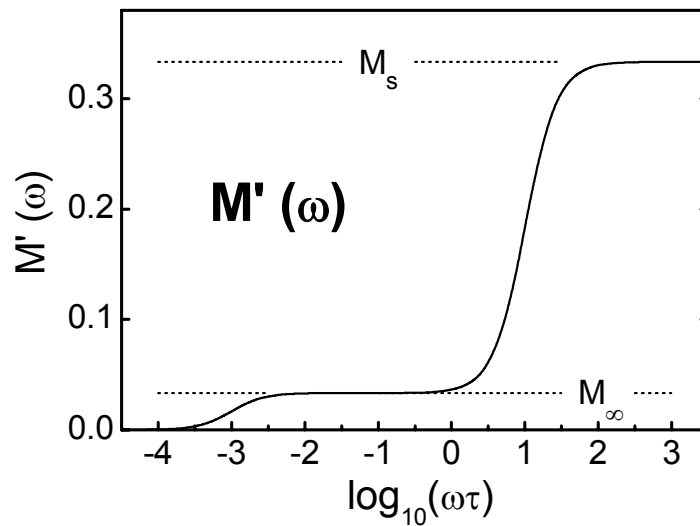
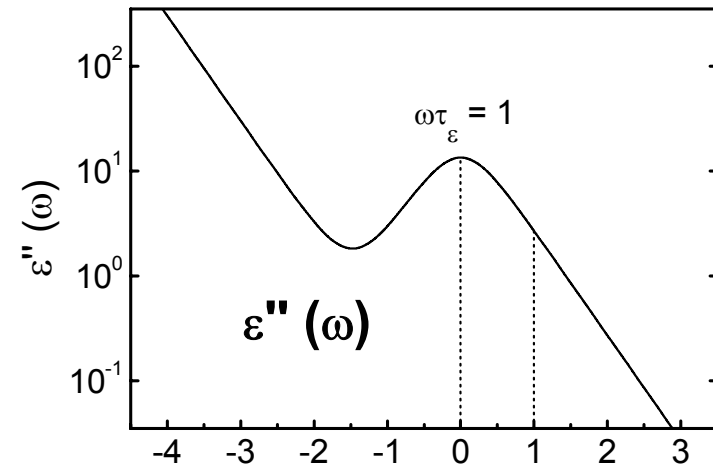
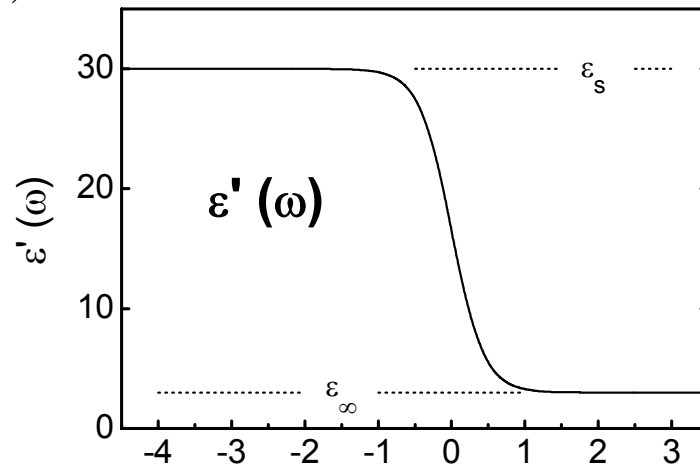
Model calculation for Debye process + dc-conductivity

$$\hat{\epsilon}(\omega) = \epsilon_\infty + (\epsilon_s - \epsilon_\infty) \frac{1}{1+i\omega\tau} + \frac{\sigma_{dc}}{i\omega\epsilon_0}$$

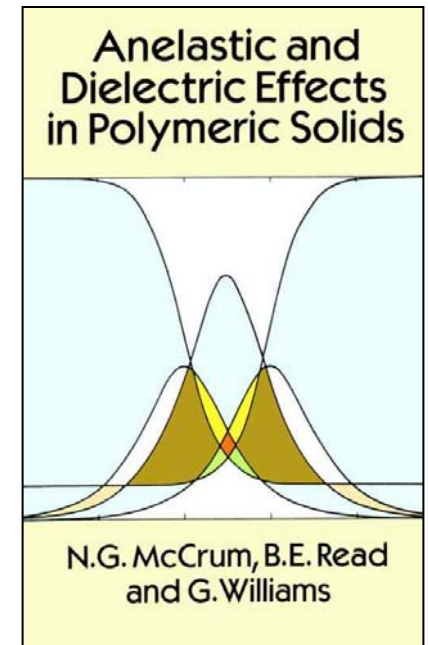
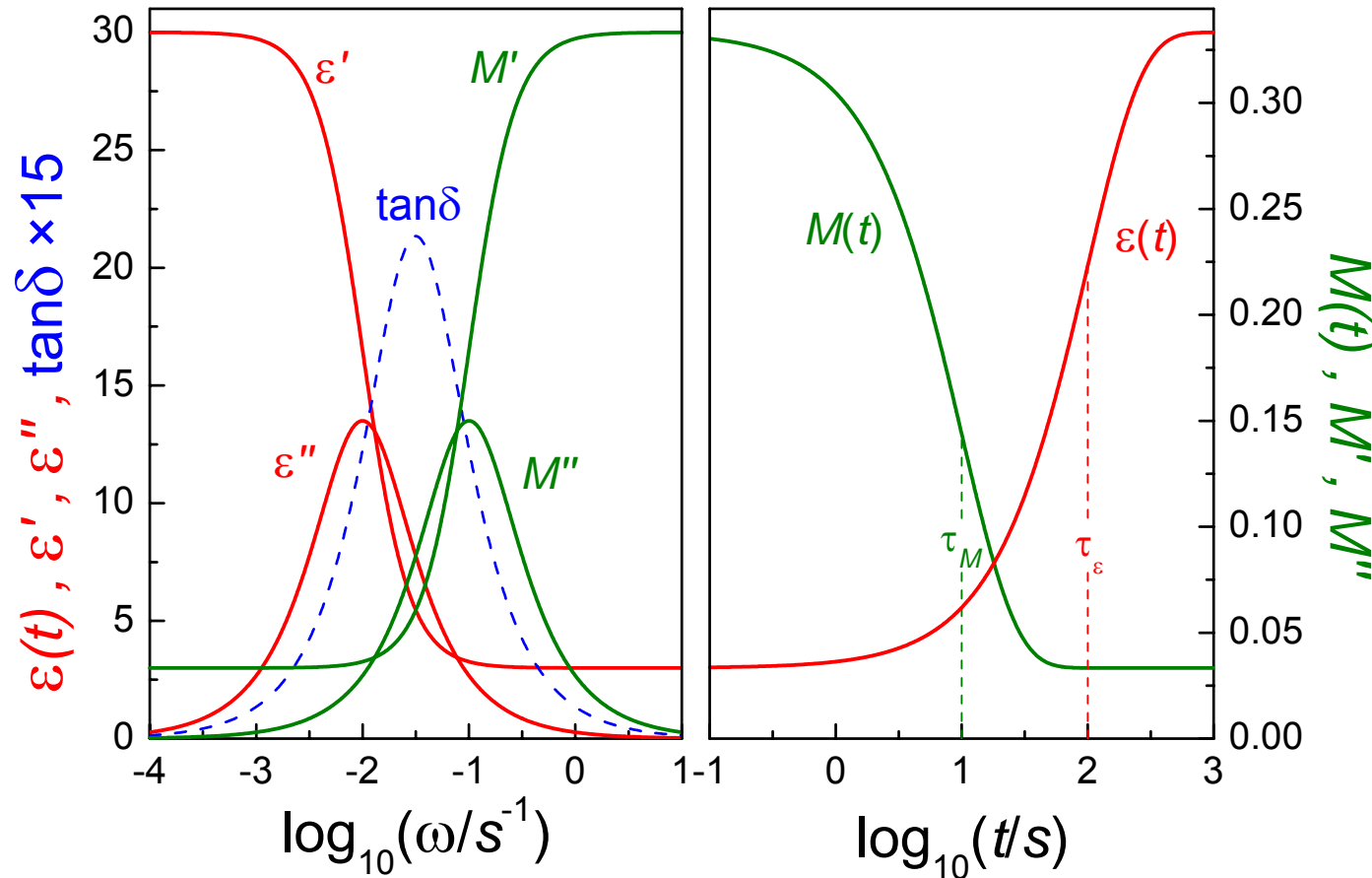
$$\hat{M}(\omega) = 1/\hat{\epsilon}(\omega)$$

$$M_s = 1/\epsilon_s$$

$$M_\infty = 1/\epsilon_\infty$$



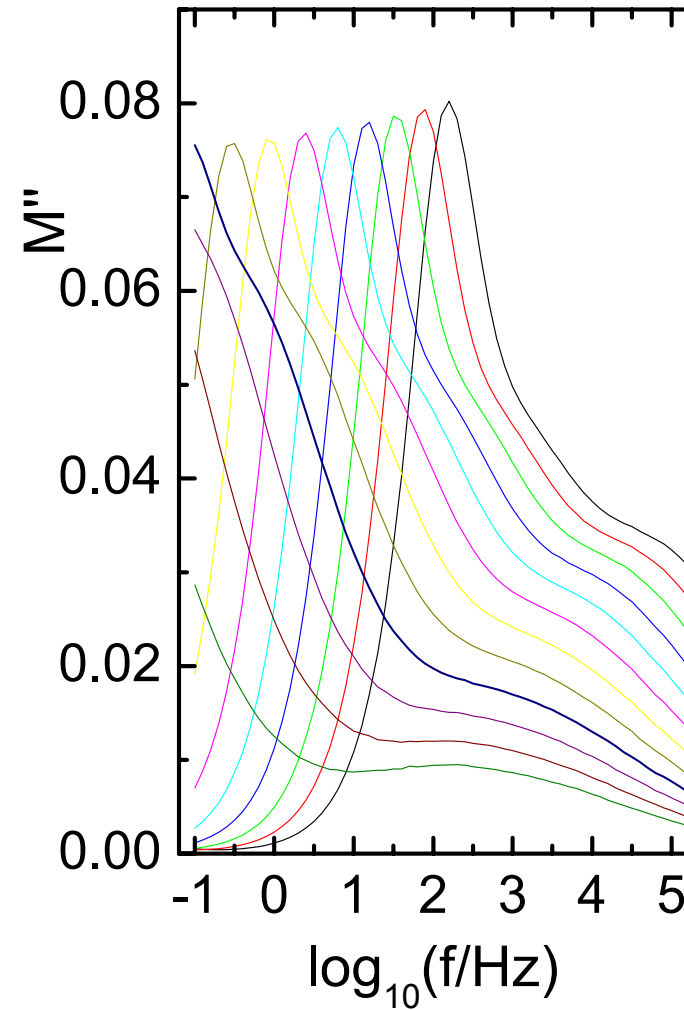
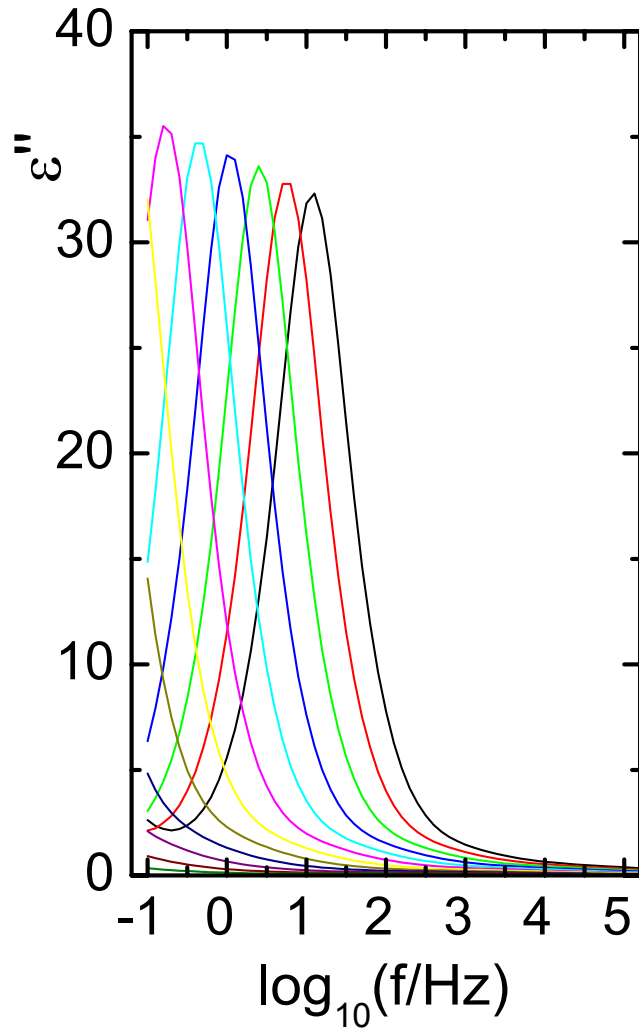
Relaxation versus Retardation



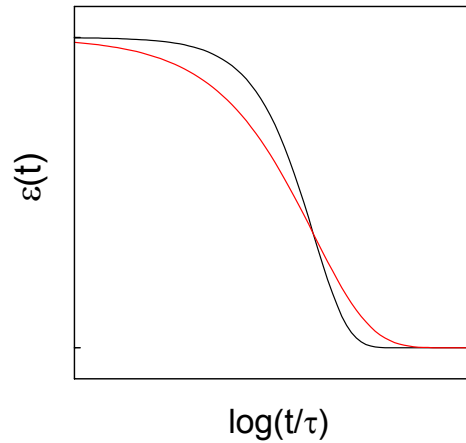
see: N. G. McCrum, B. E. Read, G. Williams,
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Identical Information – Different Emphasis

n-propanol (99 K - 121 K)



Different Techniques - Identical Information

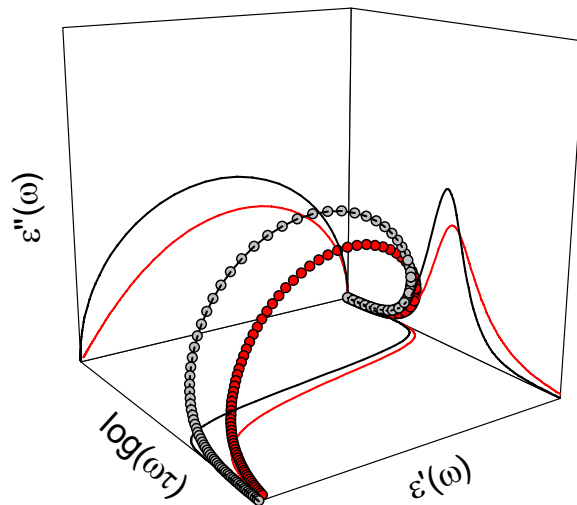


Time domain: $\varepsilon(t)$

$$\varepsilon(t) = \varepsilon_{\infty} + (\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_{\infty}) [1 - e^{-t/\tau}]$$

$$\varepsilon(t) = \varepsilon_{\infty} + (\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_{\infty}) [1 - e^{-(t/\tau)^{\beta}}]$$

Kohlrausch-Williams-Watts



Frequency domain: $\varepsilon^*(\omega)$

$$\varepsilon^*(\omega) = \varepsilon_{\infty} + \frac{\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_{\infty}}{1 + i\omega\tau}$$

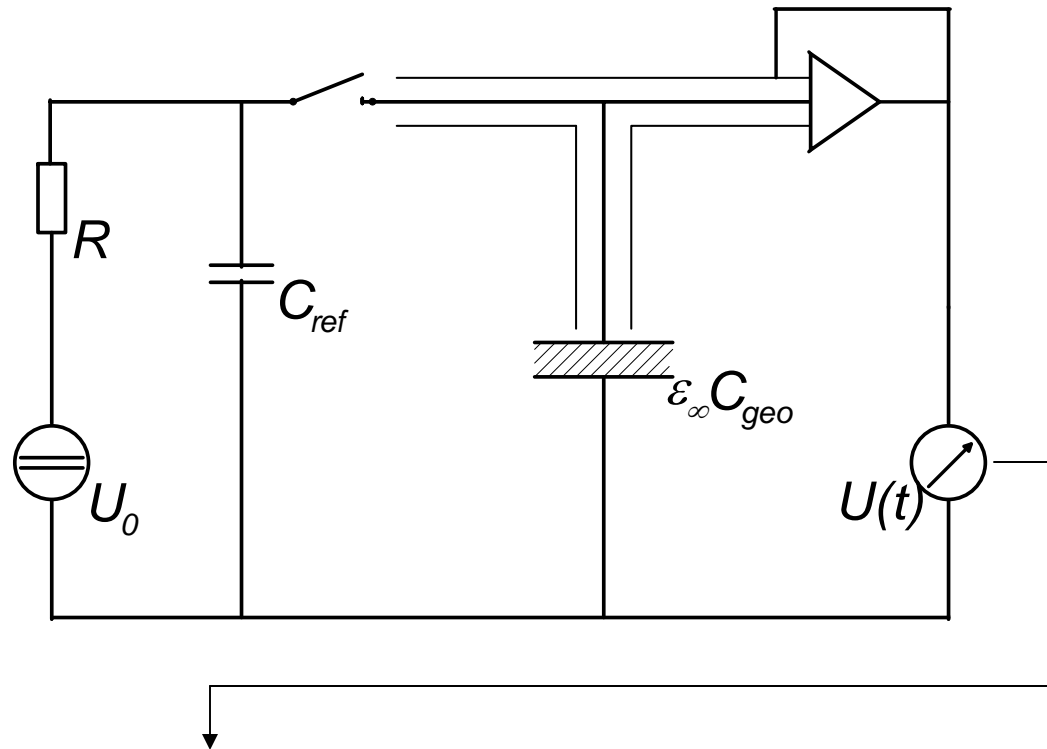
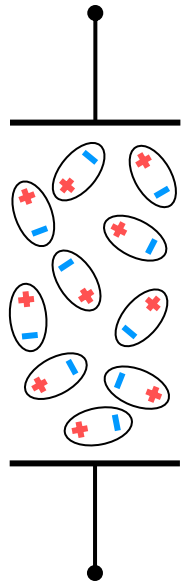
$$\varepsilon^*(\omega) = \varepsilon_{\infty} + \frac{\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_{\infty}}{[1 + (i\omega\tau)^{\alpha}]^{\gamma}}$$

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DIELECTRIC MODULUS TECHNIQUE



Real Dielectric Relaxation: The Electric Modulus

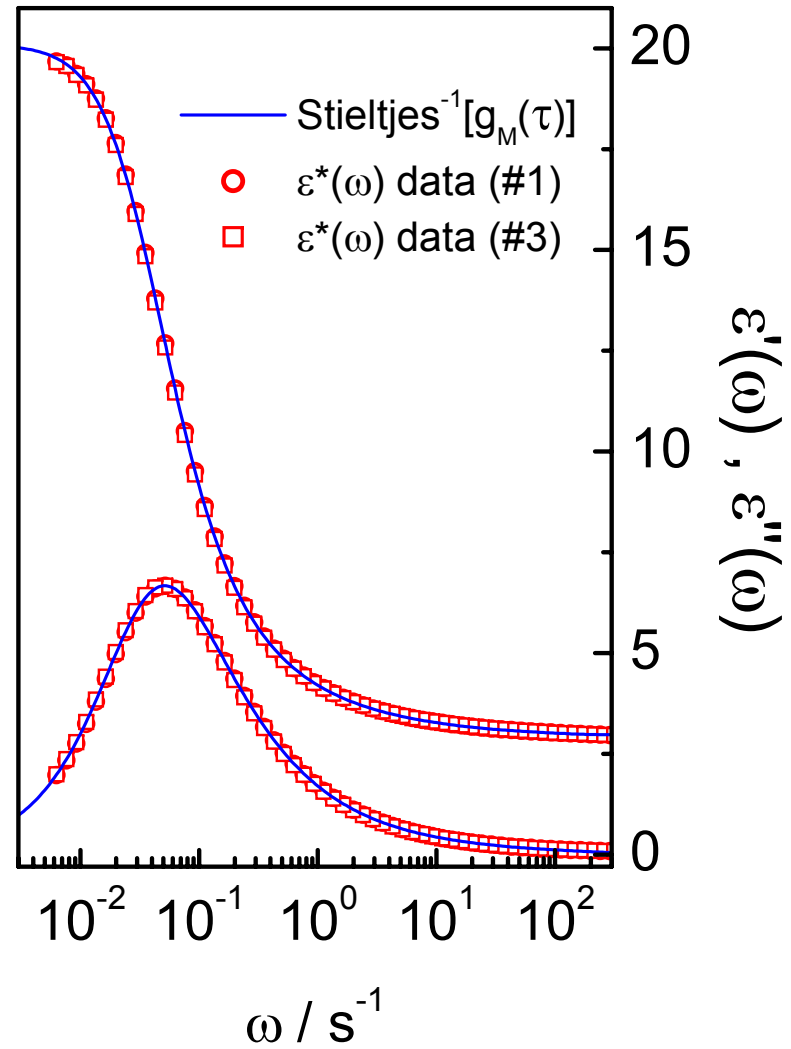
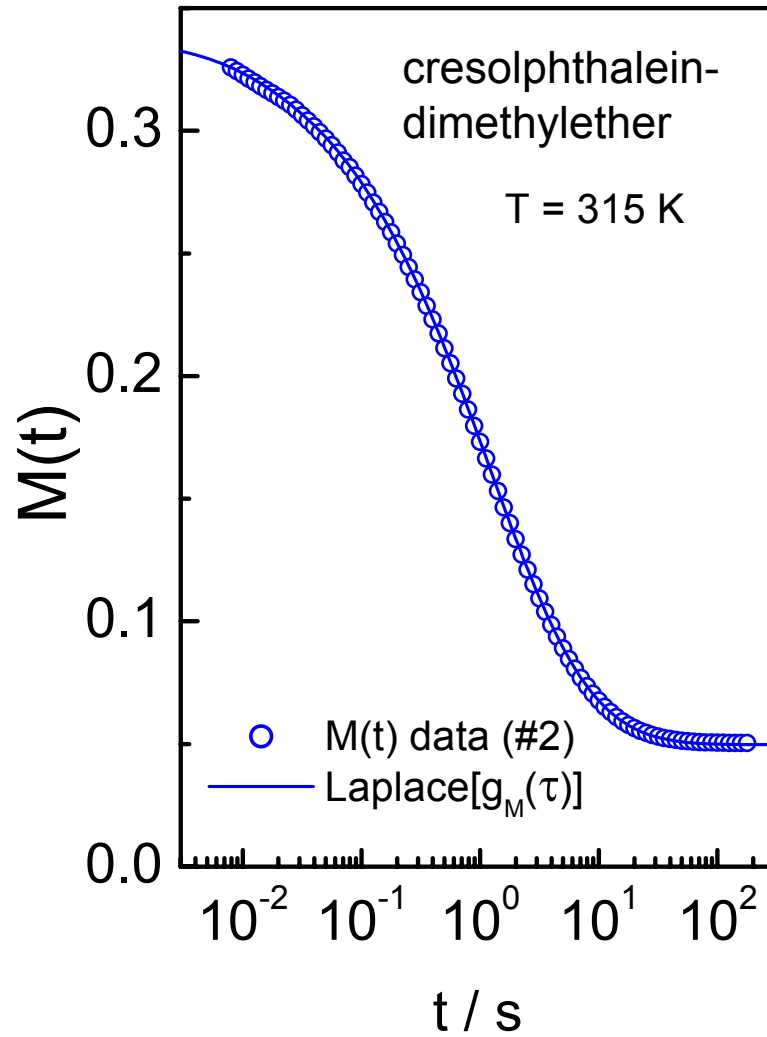


$$M^*(\omega) = \frac{1}{\epsilon^*(\omega)}$$

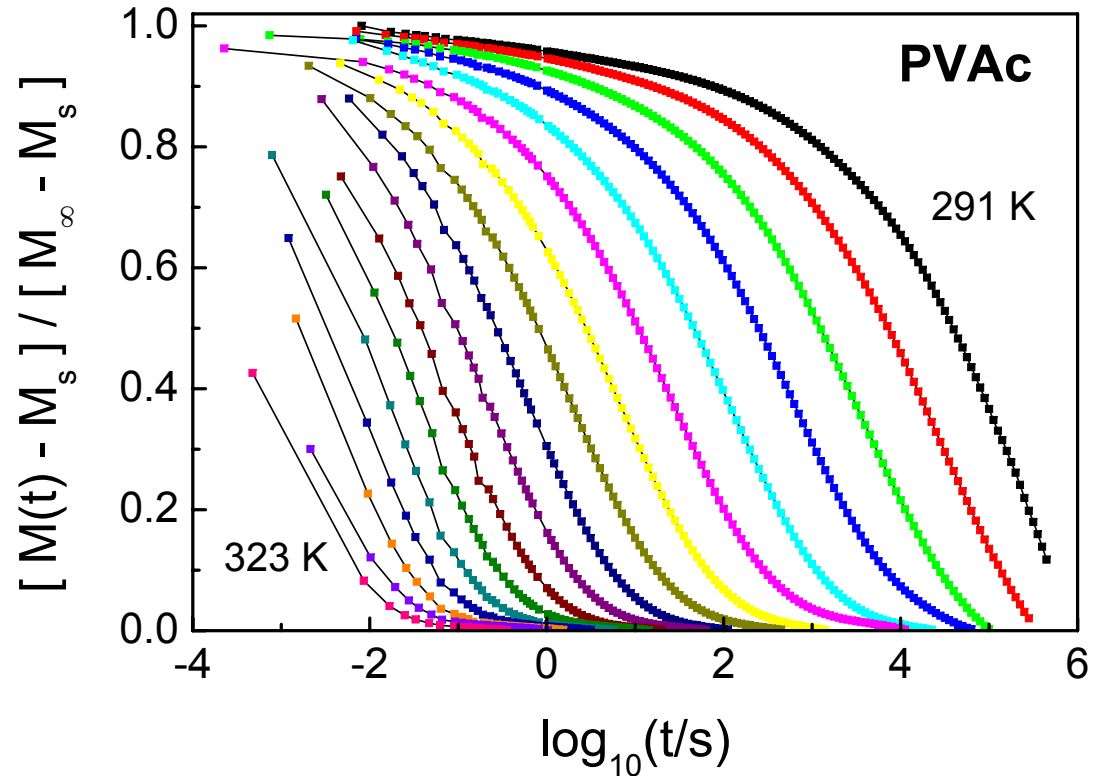
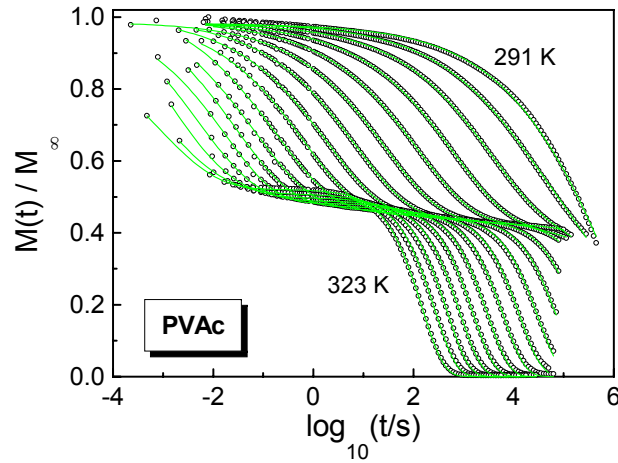
$$\tau_M \approx \left(\frac{\epsilon_\infty}{\epsilon_s} \right) \times \tau_\epsilon$$

$$U(t) \propto E(t) \propto P_{\text{const. charge}}(t) \propto M(t)$$

Comparing $M(t)$ with $\epsilon^*(\omega)$



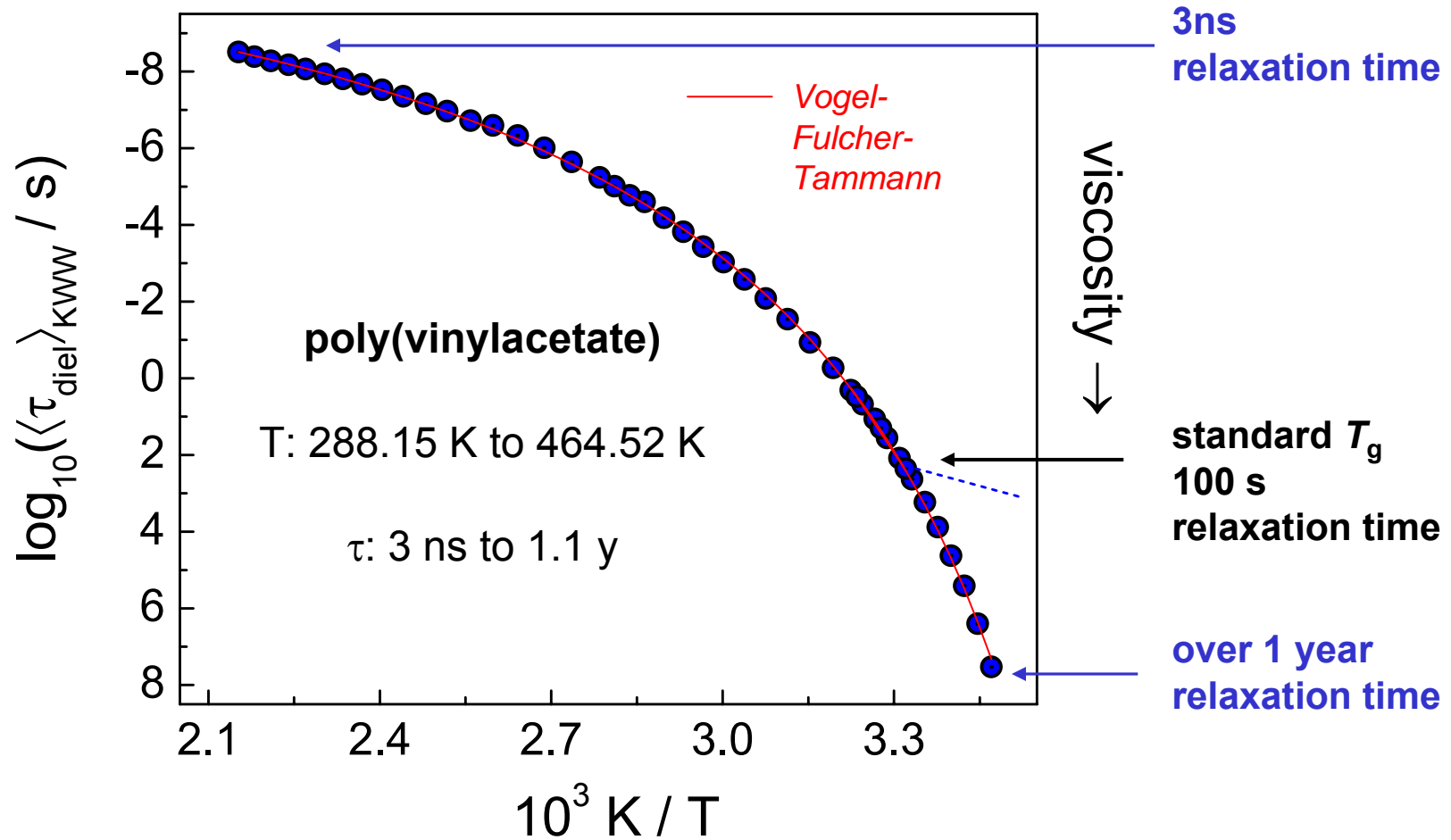
Dielectric Modulus of Poly(vinyl acetate)



$$M(t) = (M_\infty - M_s) \times \exp\left[-\left(\frac{t}{\tau_{KWW}}\right)^{\beta_{KWW}}\right] + M_s \cdot \exp\left[-\frac{t \cdot \sigma_{dc} \cdot M_s}{\epsilon_o}\right]$$

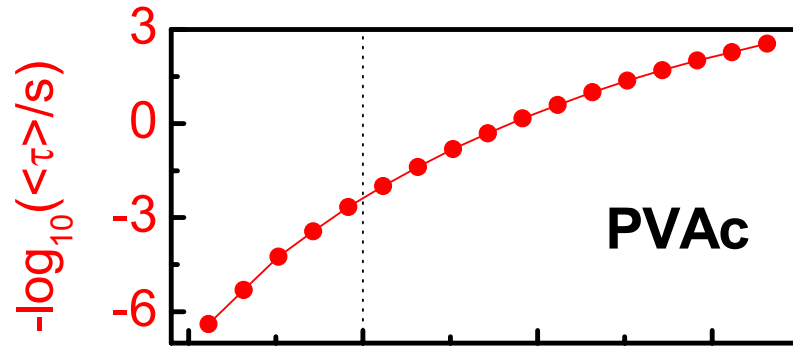
$$\frac{M(t) - M_s}{M_\infty - M_s} = \exp\left[-\left(\frac{t}{\tau_{KWW}}\right)^{\beta_{KWW}}\right]$$

Dynamics of Poly(vinyl acetate) across 16 Decades in Time

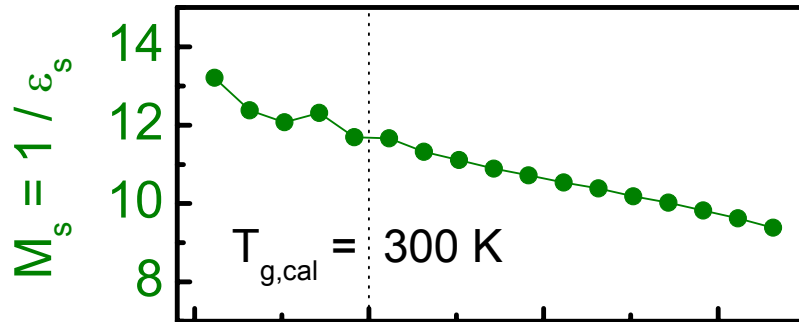


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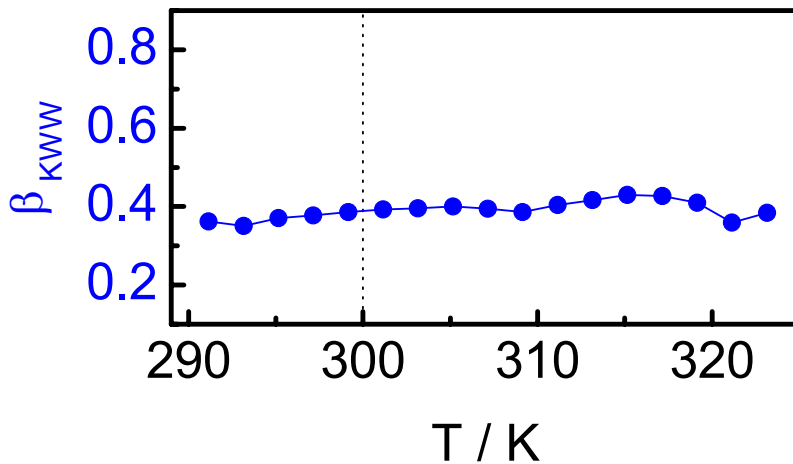
Same Dynamics Above and Below '100s - T_g '



→ T_g is purely kinetic



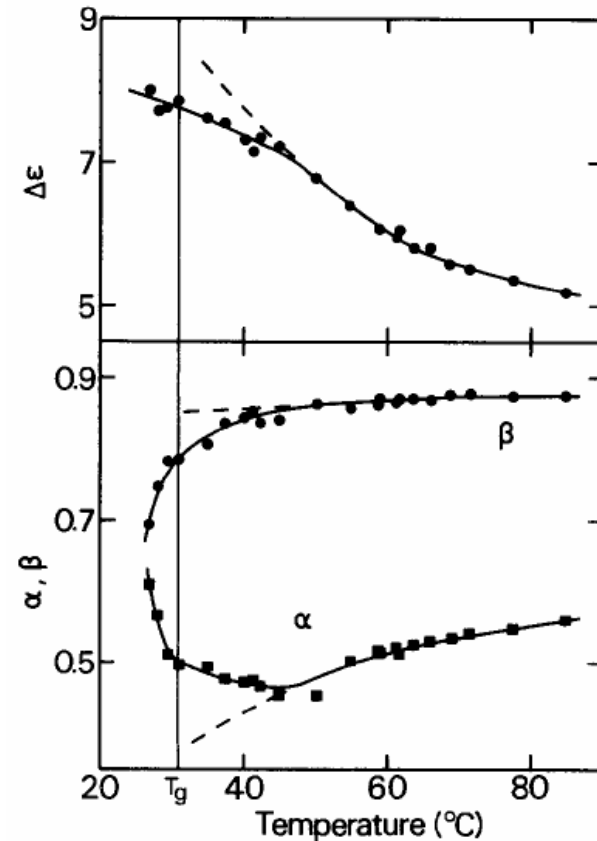
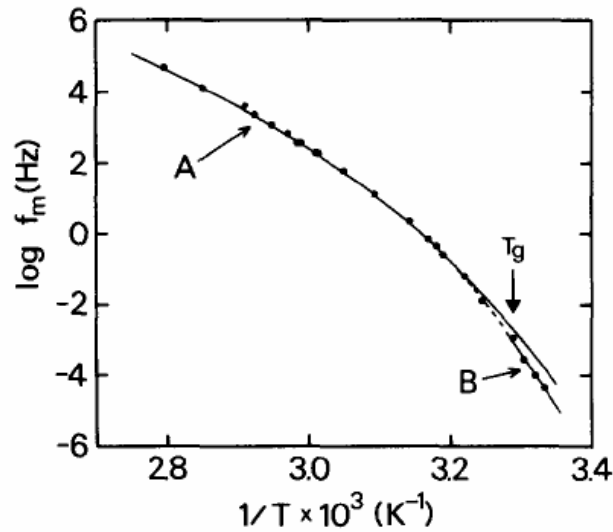
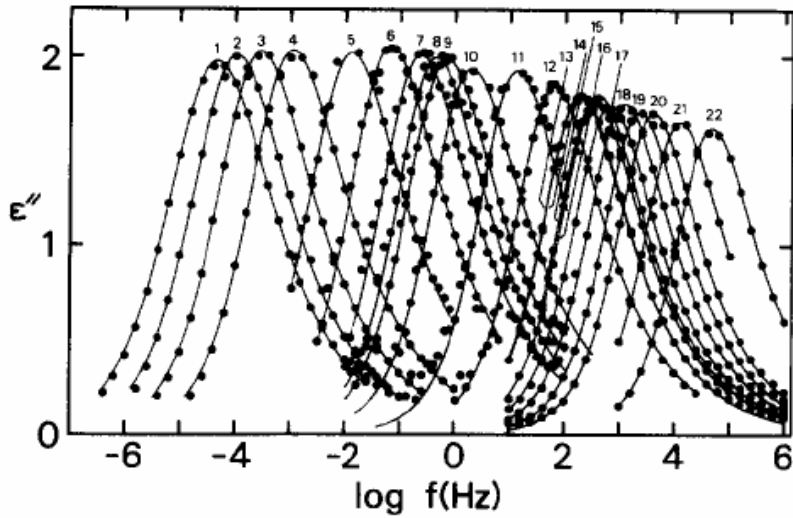
→ all dipoles remain active



→ time temperature
superposition (TTS)

Nozaki, Mashimo: poly(vinyl acetate) in the frequency range 10^{-6} - 10^6 Hz

different dynamics above and below T_g ?

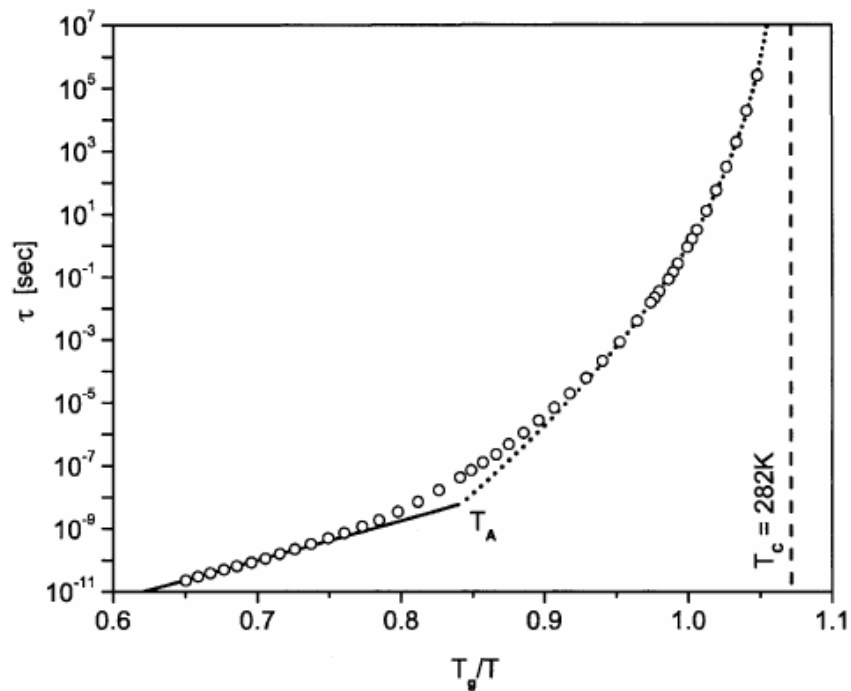


Dielectric relaxation measurements of poly(vinyl acetate) in glassy state in the frequency range 10^{-6} - 10^6 Hz
 R. Nozaki, S. Mashimo, J. Chem. Phys. 87 (1987) 2271

Is Ultra-Long Relaxation Time Data Useful ?

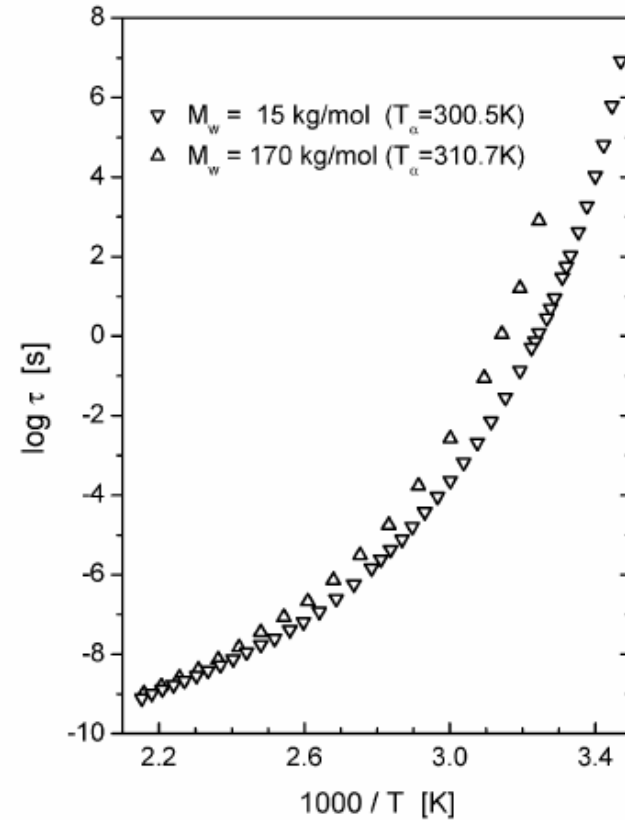
Temperature dependence of relaxation times and the length scale of cooperative motion for glass-forming liquids

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J. Non-Cryst. Solids 307-310 (2002) 225



Temperature and volume effects on local segmental relaxation in poly(vinyl acetate)

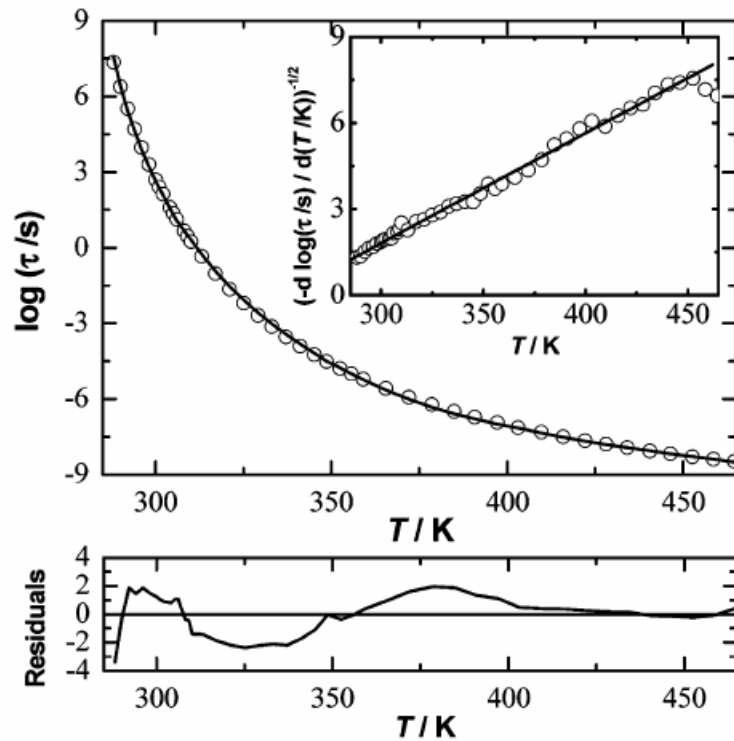
C. M. Roland, R. Casalini,
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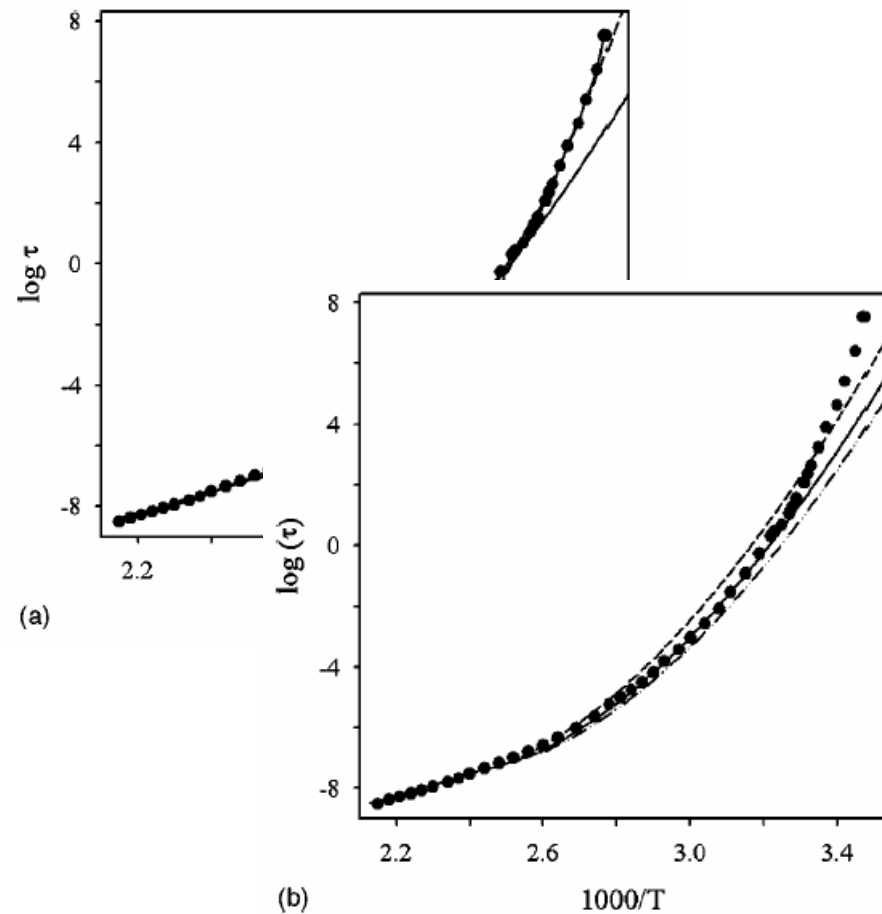
Data analysis with the Vogel-Fulcher-Tammann-Hesse equation

J. F. Mano, E. Pereira,
J. Phys. Chem. A 108 (2004) 10824

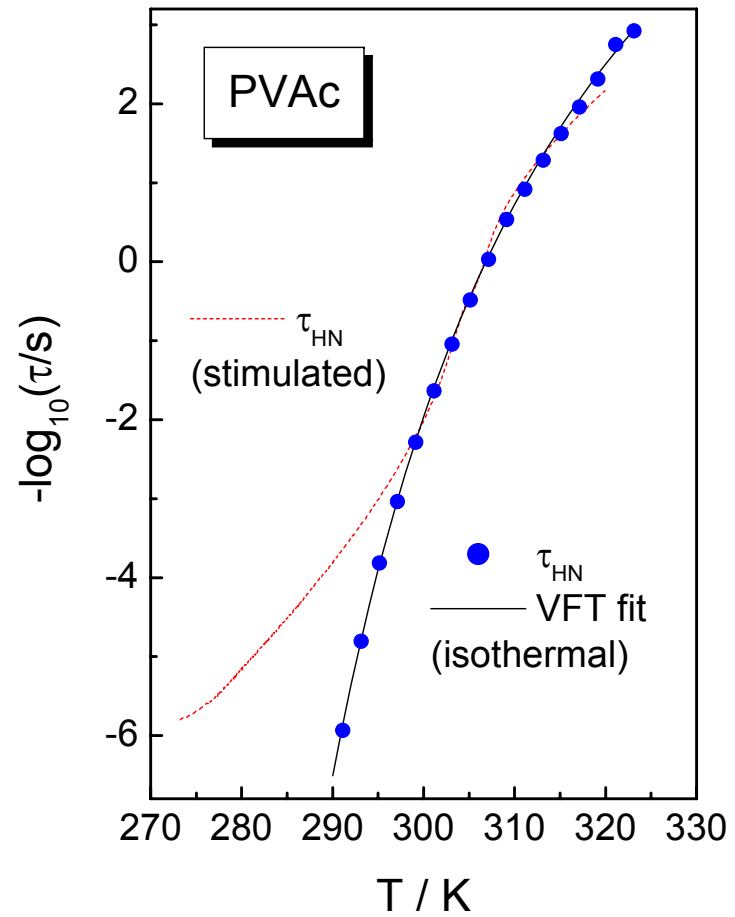
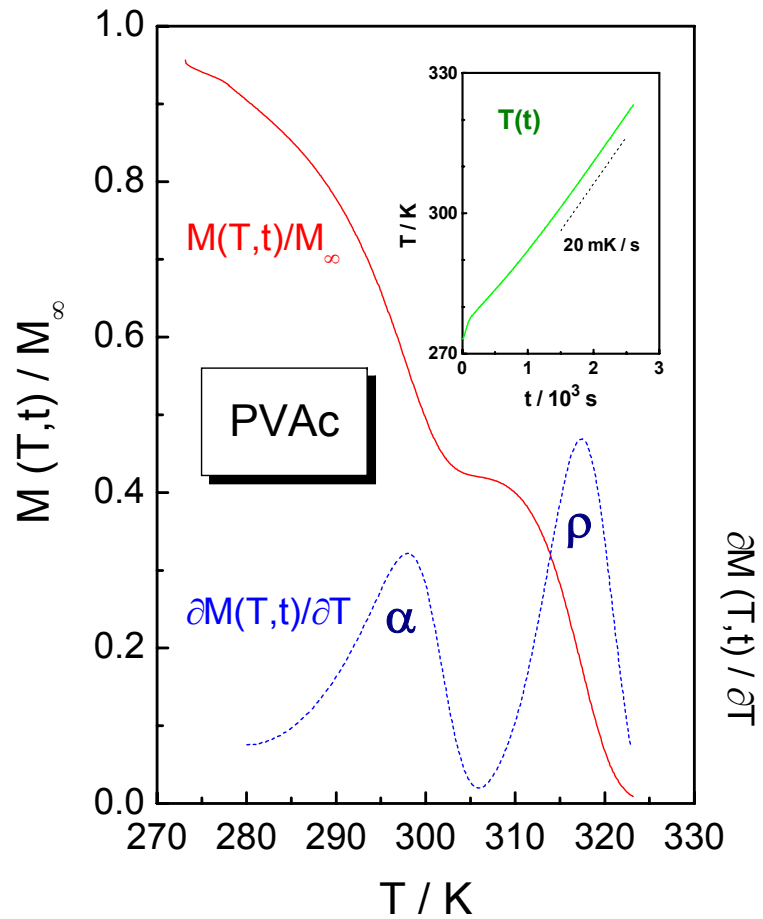


Universal scaling, dynamic fragility, segmental relaxation, and vitrification in polymer melts

E. J. Saltzman, K. S. Schweizer,
J. Chem. Phys. 121 (2004) 2001

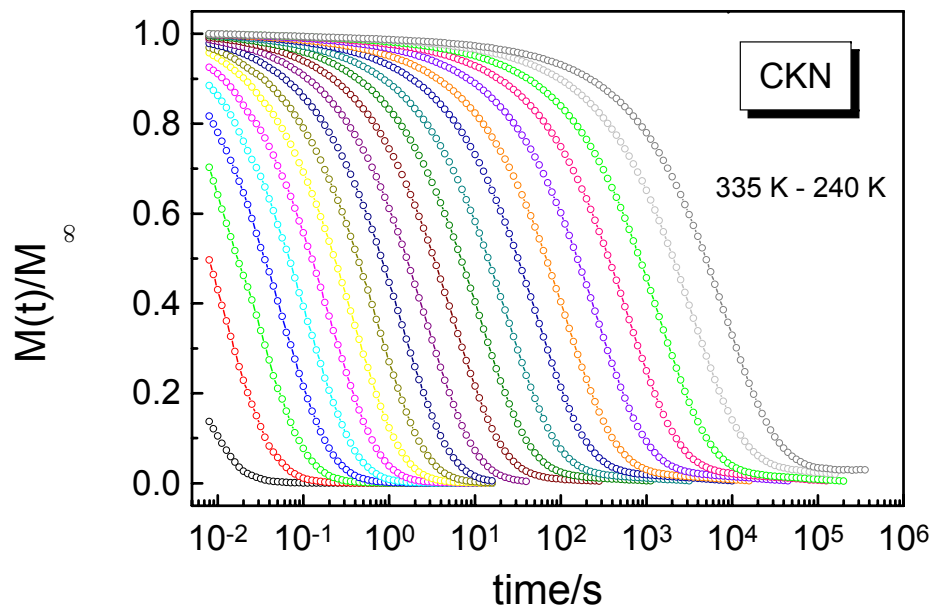


Thermally Stimulated Modulus Relaxation



advantage: sample is cooled at zero field

Electric Modulus of Ionic Glasses



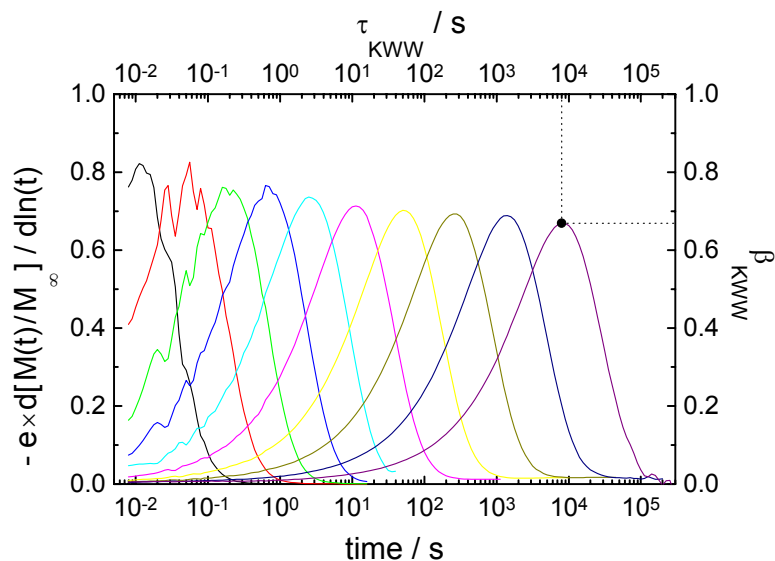
0.4 Ca(NO₃)₂ – 0.6 KNO₃

$$E_0 = 19 \text{ V}$$

$$d = 66 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$$

$$\sigma_s = \sigma(t \rightarrow \infty) = \frac{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_\infty}{\langle \tau \rangle}$$

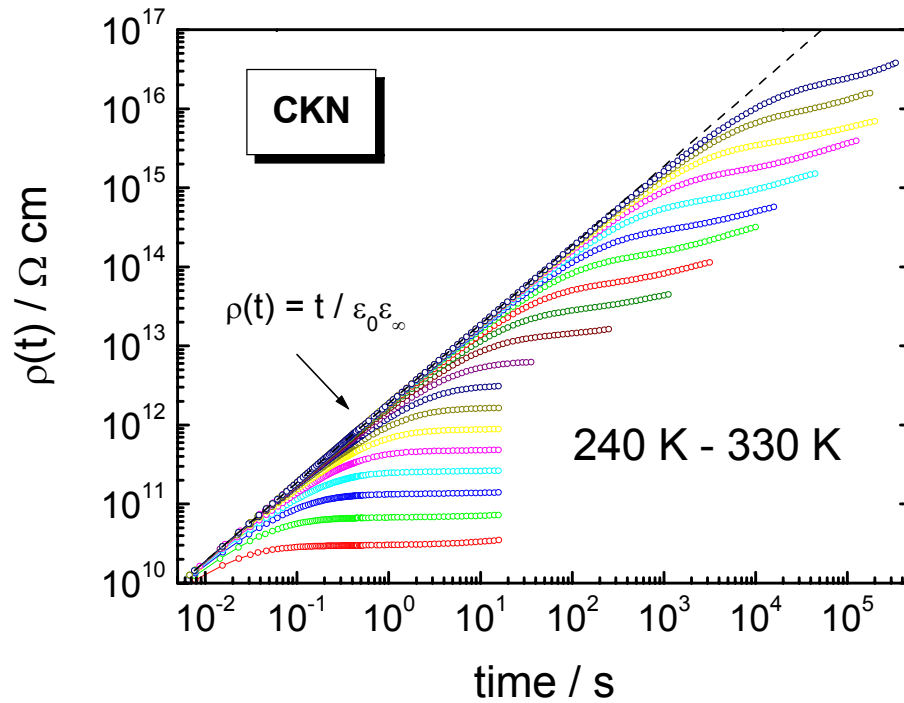
$$\langle \tau^n \rangle_{KWW} = \tau_{KWW}^n \frac{\Gamma(n / \beta_{KWW})}{\beta_{KWW} \Gamma(n)}$$



$$\left. \frac{d^2 \Phi(t)}{d(\ln t)^2} \right|_{t=\tau_{KWW}} = 0$$

$$\left. \frac{d\Phi(t)}{d \ln t} \right|_{t=\tau_{KWW}} = -\frac{\beta_{KWW}}{e}$$

Electric Modulus of Ionic Glasses



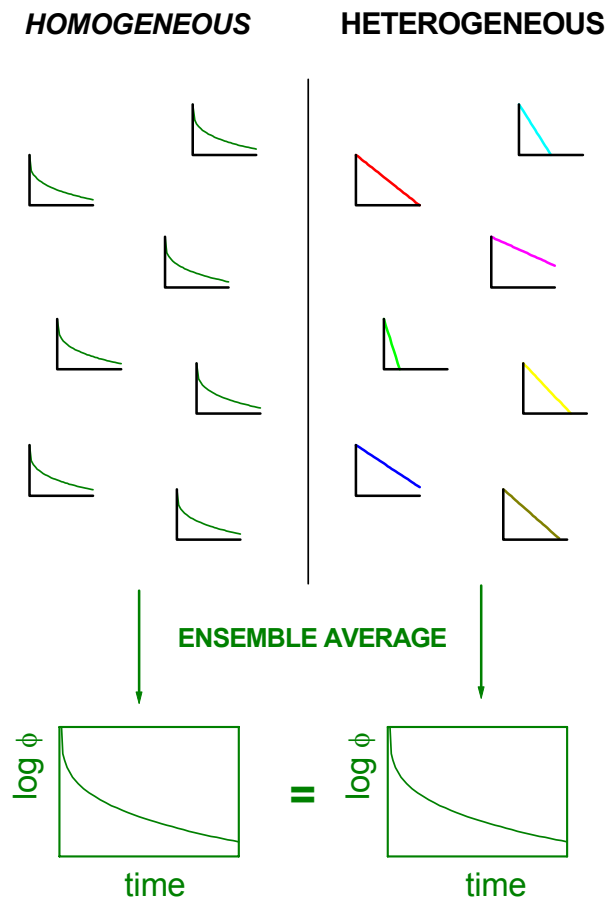
$$\rho(t) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_\infty} \int_0^t \frac{M(t')}{M_\infty} dt'$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \hat{\epsilon} = \epsilon' - i\epsilon'' & \leftarrow \hat{\sigma} = i\omega\epsilon_0\hat{\epsilon} \rightarrow & \hat{\sigma} = \sigma' + i\sigma'' \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \hat{M} = 1/\hat{\epsilon} & & \hat{\rho} = 1/\hat{\sigma} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \hat{M} = M' + iM'' & \leftarrow \hat{\rho} = \hat{M} / i\omega\epsilon_0 \rightarrow & \hat{\rho} = \rho' - i\rho'' \end{array}$$

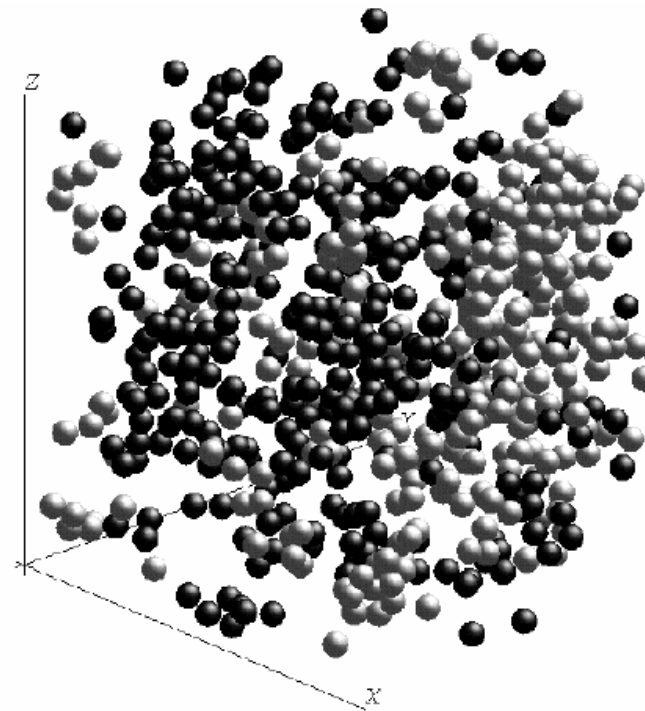
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Homogeneous versus heterogeneous dynamics



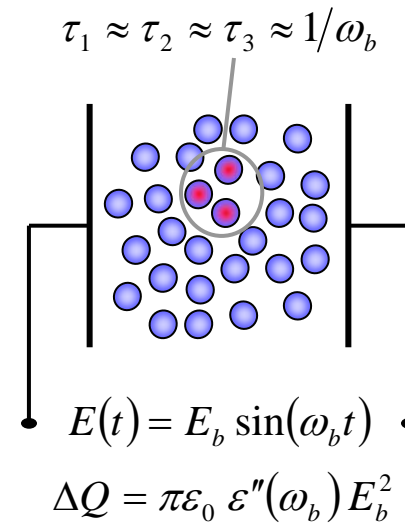
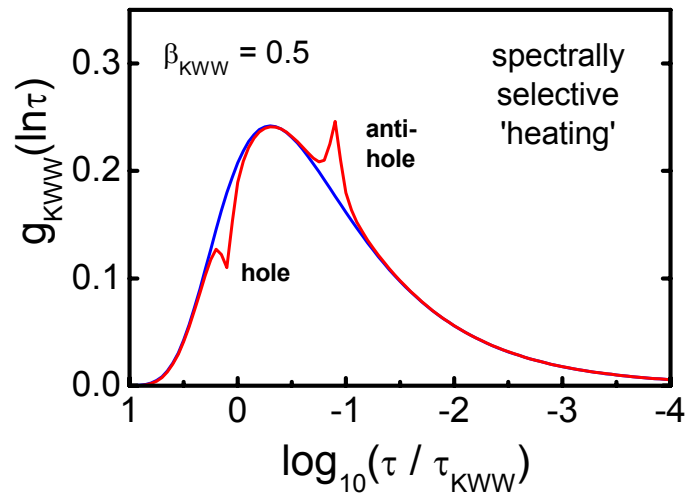
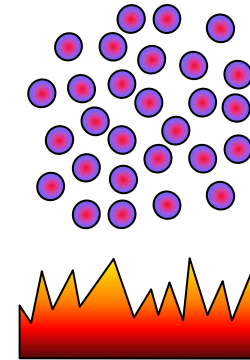
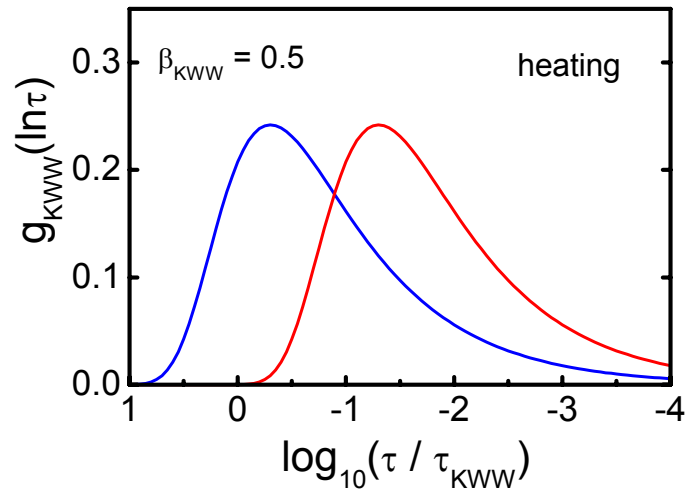
MD Simulation: Binary 80:20
Lennard-Jones Liquid



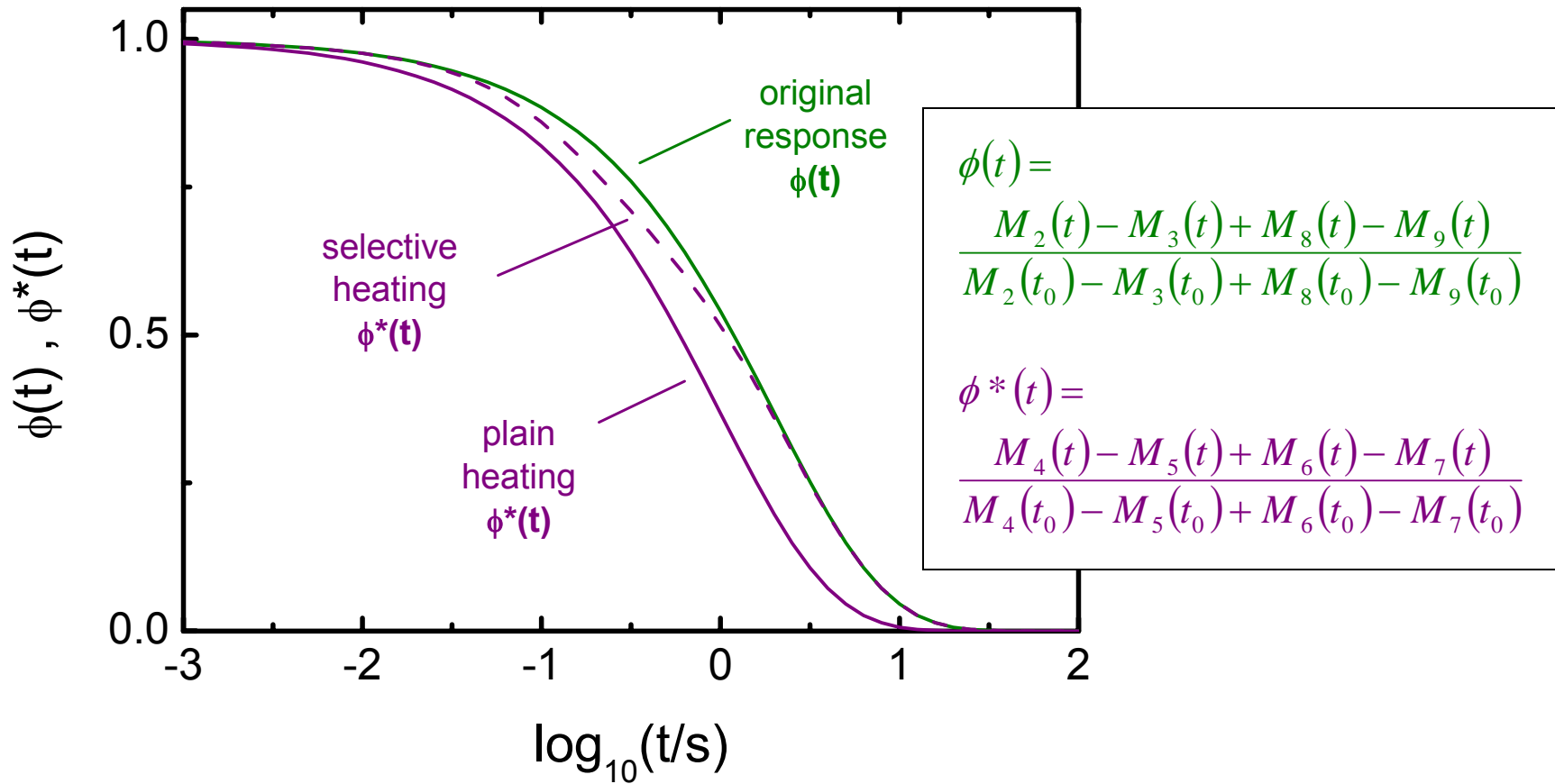
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Spectrally selective dielectric experiments

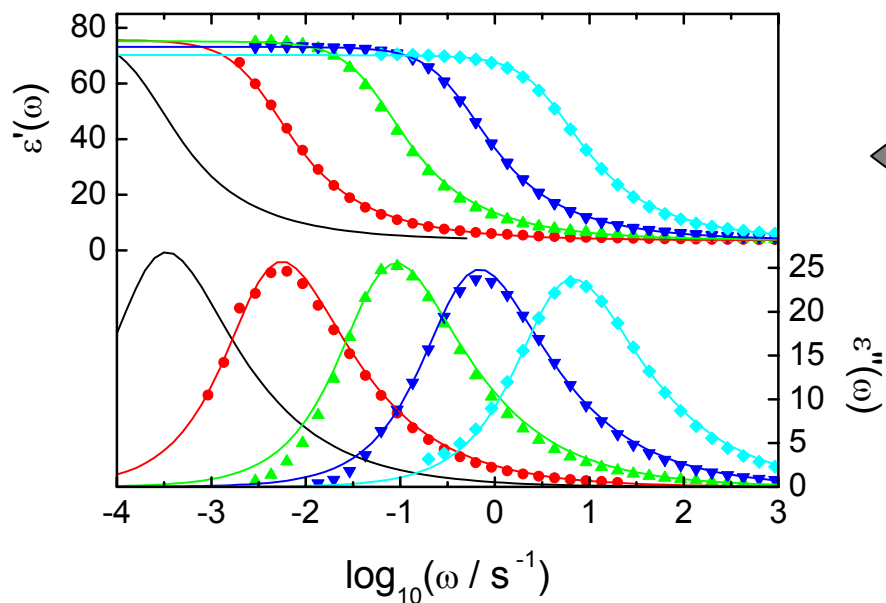


Dielectric hole-burning technique: What do we look for?



Dielectric relaxation and retardation in viscous glycerol

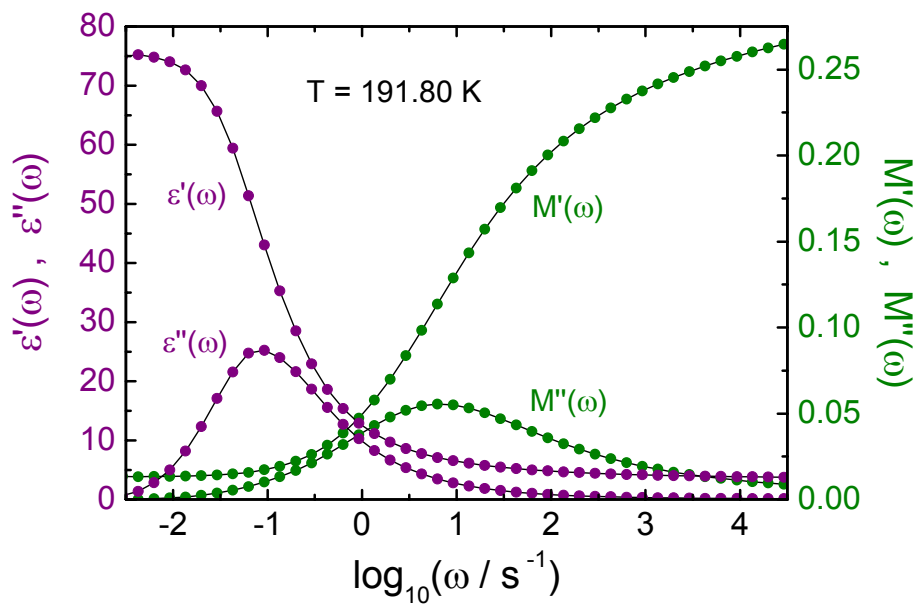
sample thickness: 6.4 μm



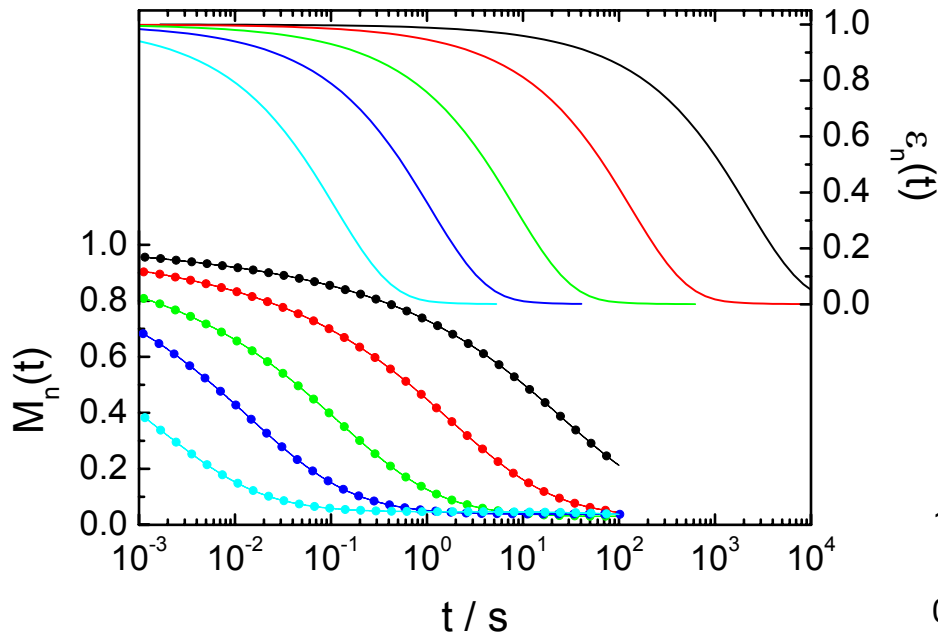
frequency domain data $\epsilon^*(\omega, T)$

- $T = 183.50 \text{ K}$
- $T = 187.30 \text{ K}$
- $T = 191.80 \text{ K}$
- $T = 195.80 \text{ K}$
- $T = 200.50 \text{ K}$

$\epsilon^*(\omega)$ versus $M^*(\omega)$



Exploiting $M(t)$ for high frequency hole-burning



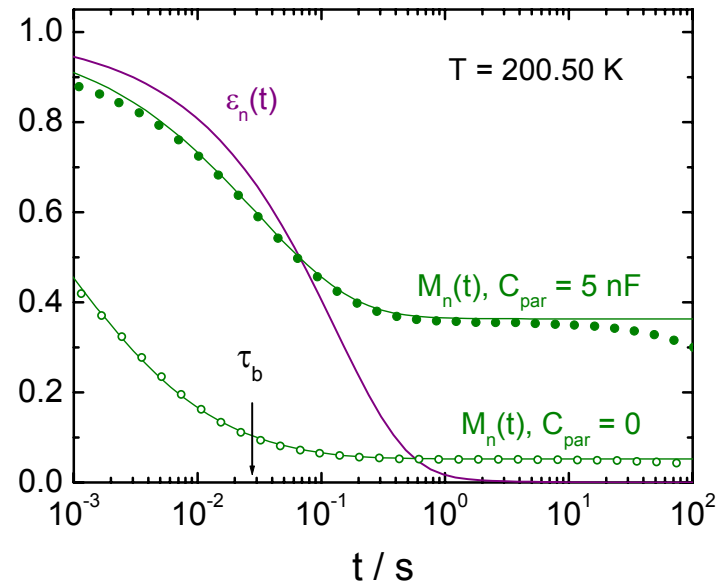
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$\tau_M \approx \frac{1}{80} \times \tau_\epsilon$

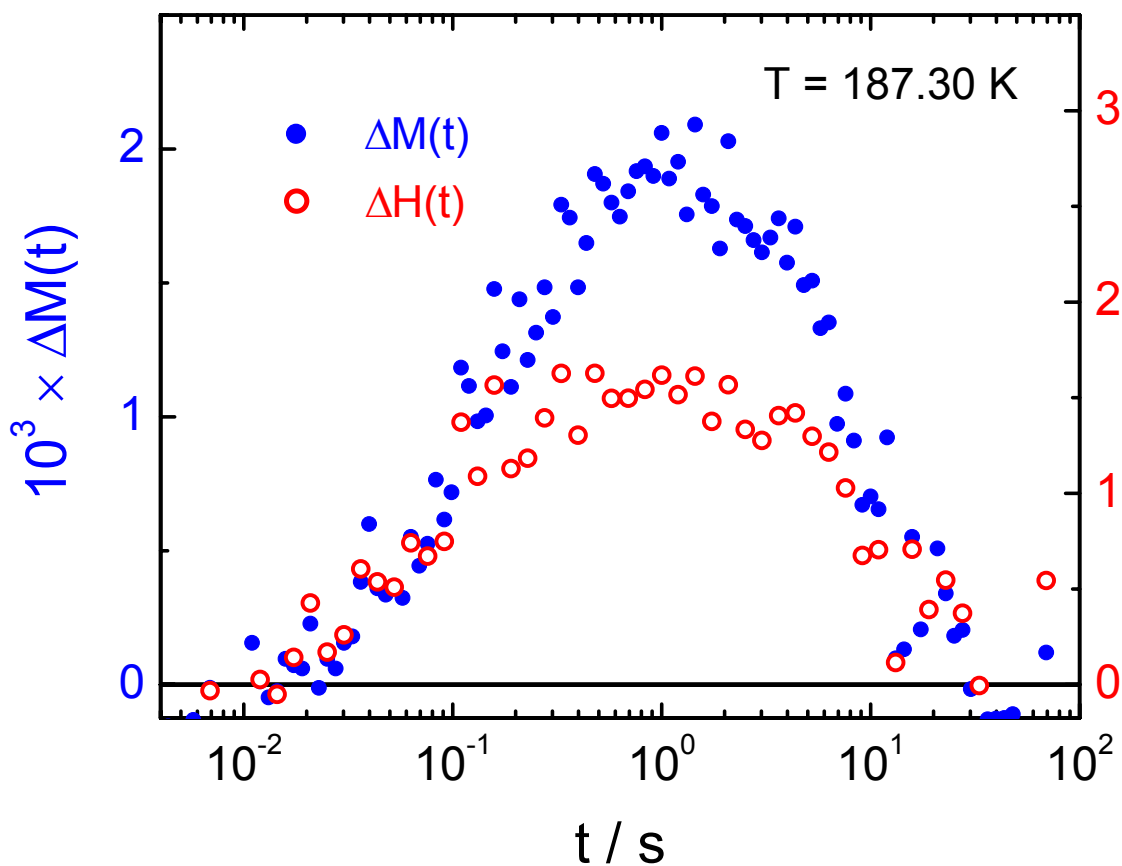
variable τ : $\tau_M \dots \tau_\epsilon$
using parallel capacitance

$$\frac{\tau_M}{\tau_\epsilon} \approx \frac{\epsilon_\infty}{\epsilon_s} \rightarrow \frac{\epsilon_\infty + \epsilon_{par}}{\epsilon_s + \epsilon_{par}} \rightarrow 1$$

$M_n(t), \epsilon_n(t)$



DHB results for glycerol: **Vertical** and **horizontal** differences



vertical & horizontal
signal at:

$$n = 6$$

$$t_w = 1 \text{ s}$$

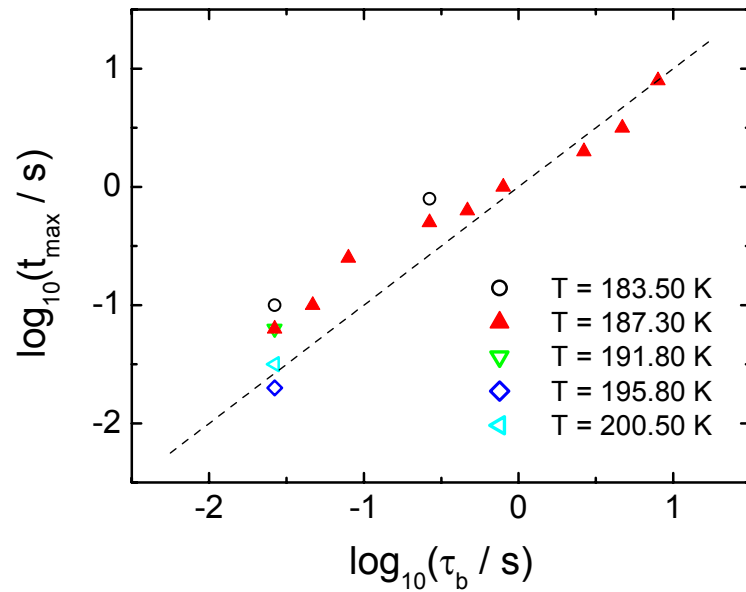
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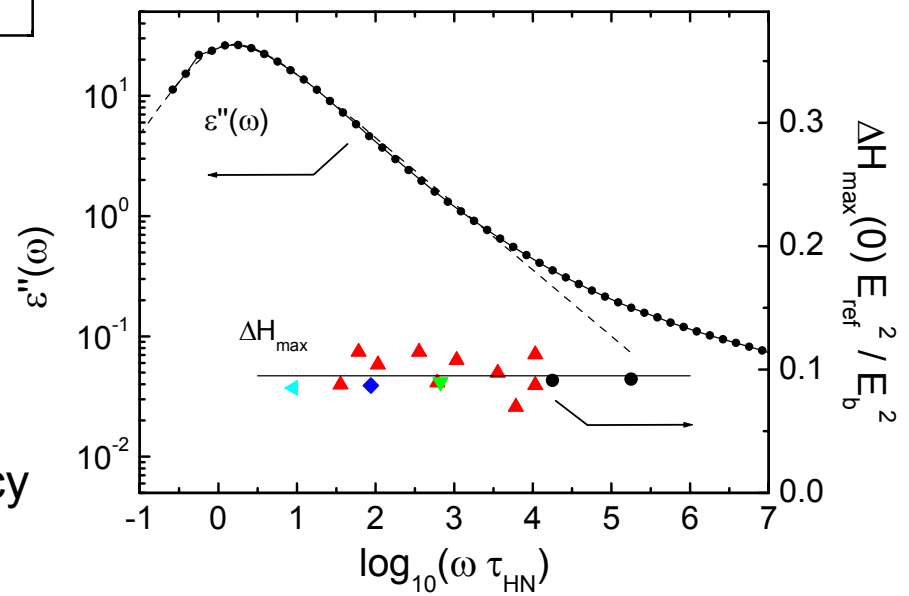
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DHB results for glycerol: Burn-frequency dependence

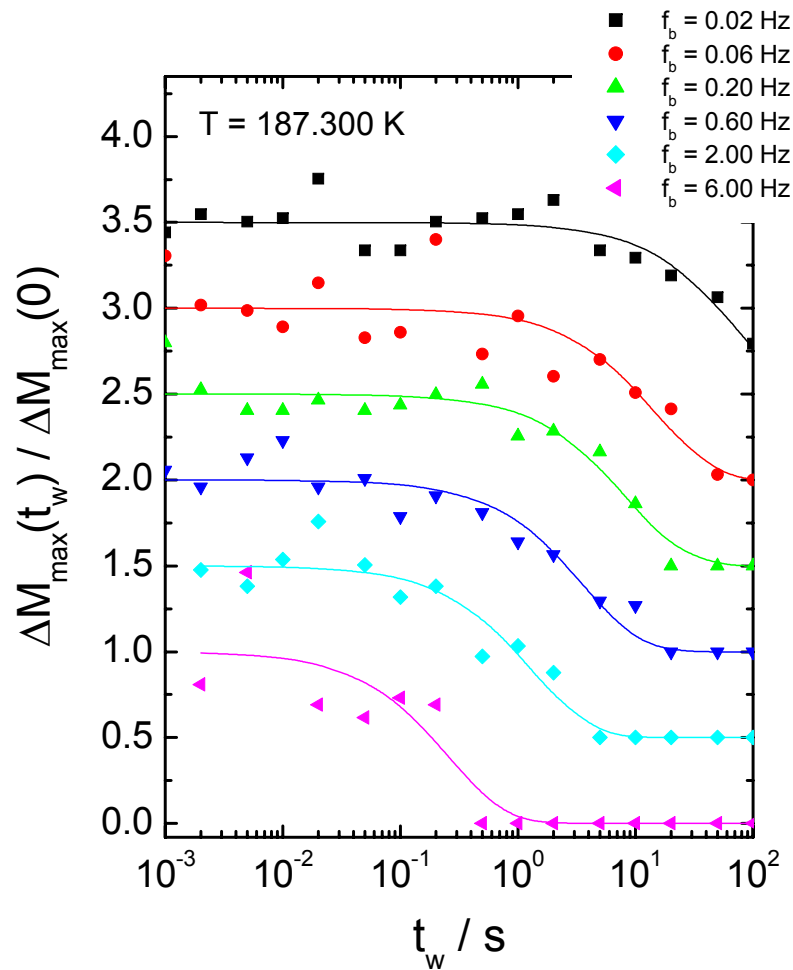


amplitude of horizontal hole
versus
relative burn frequency

position of vertical hole
versus
burn frequency

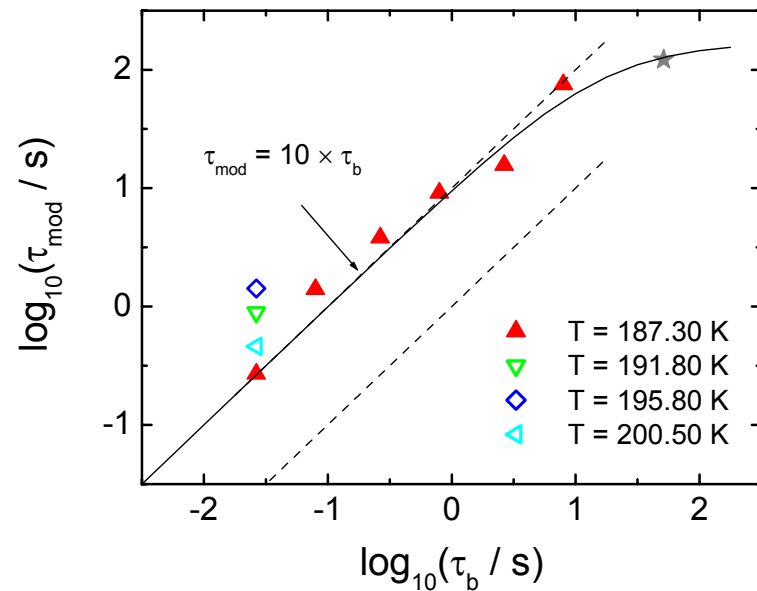


DHB results for glycerol: Waiting-time dependence



pump - wait - probe
 t_w

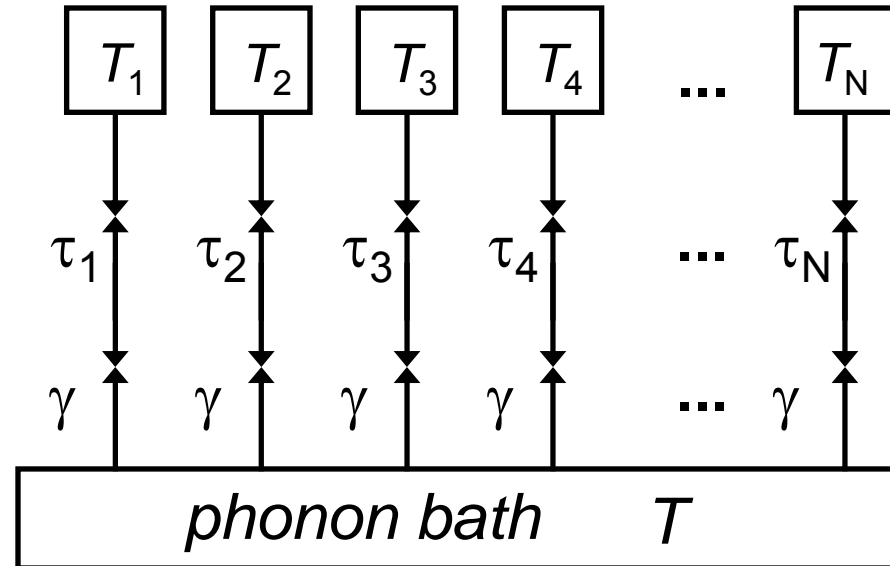
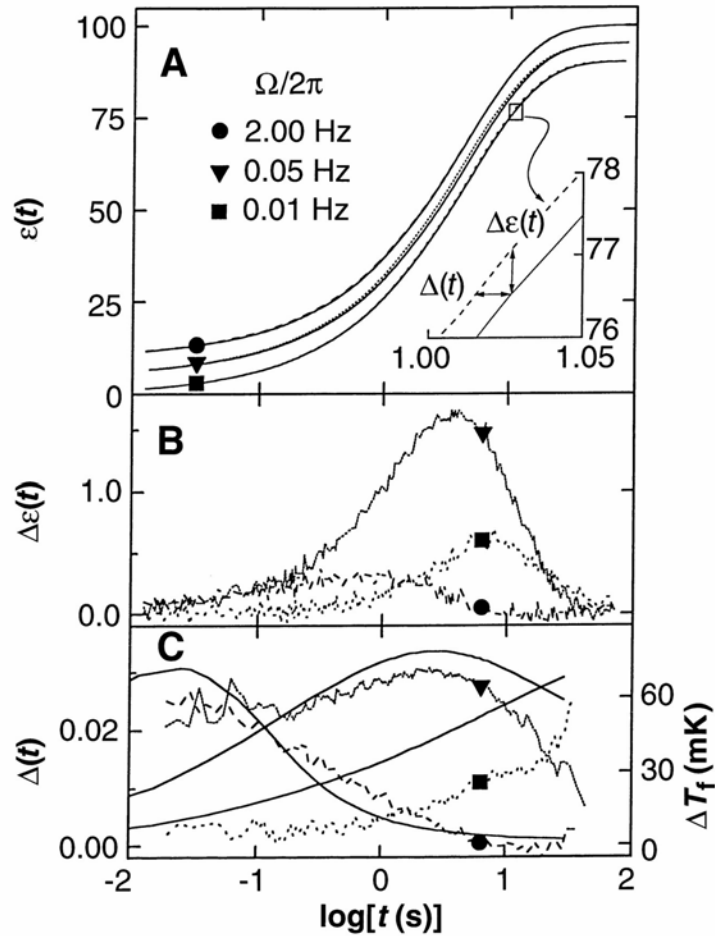
$$\frac{\Delta M_{\max}(t_w)}{\Delta M_{\max}(0)} = \exp\left(-\frac{t_w}{\tau_{\text{mod}}}\right)$$



***DIELECTRIC HOLE-BURNING
MODEL***

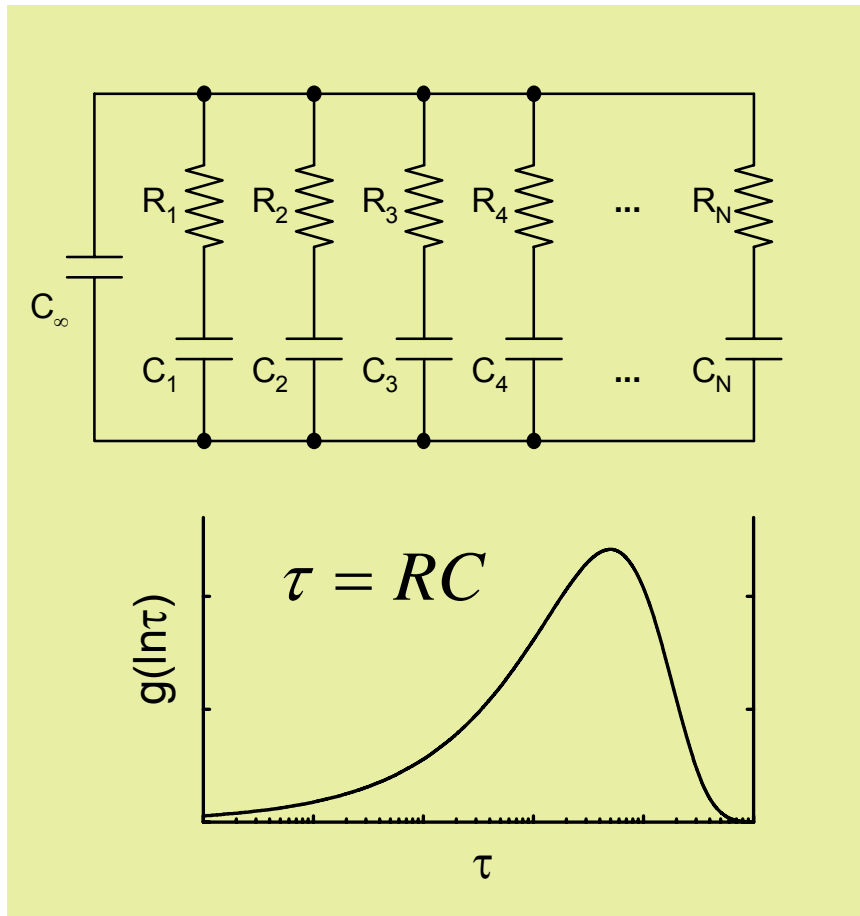


Original observation and 'box-model'



- B. Schiener, R. Böhmer, A. Loidl, R. V. Chamberlin, *Science* **274** (1996) 752
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Calculation of energy loss (heating) for RC network



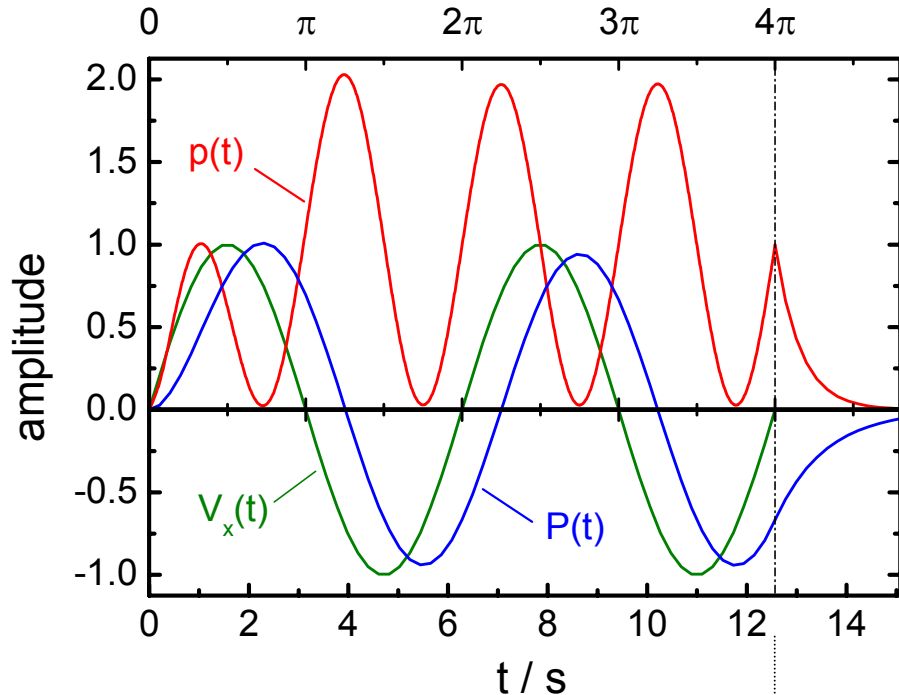
$$\frac{dV_C(t)}{dt} = \frac{V_X(t) - V_C(t)}{RC}, \quad V_C(t < 0) = 0$$

$$P(t) = \frac{Q(t)}{A} = C \frac{V_C(t)}{A} \quad \text{polarization}$$

$$p(t) = V_R(t) I_R(t) = \frac{V_R^2(t)}{R} \quad \text{power}$$

$$\hat{\varepsilon}(\omega) = \varepsilon_\infty + \Delta\varepsilon \frac{1}{C_{geo}} \left[C_\infty + \sum_{i=1}^N C_i \frac{1}{1 + i\omega R_i C_i} \right]$$

Calculation of heating $p(t)$ for RC network



previous steady state case:

$$q_{eq} = \pi \varepsilon_0 \nu E_0^2 \varepsilon''(\omega_b)$$

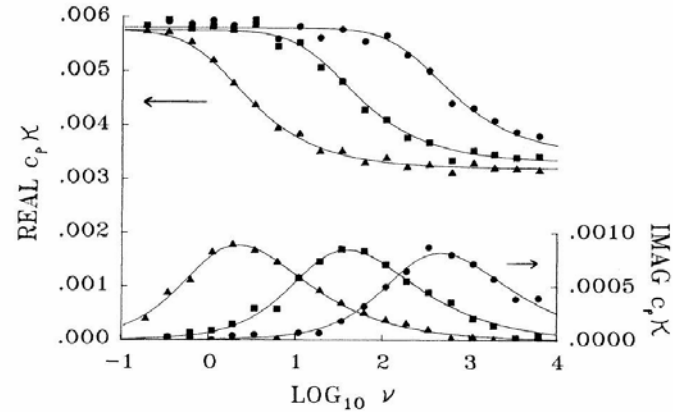
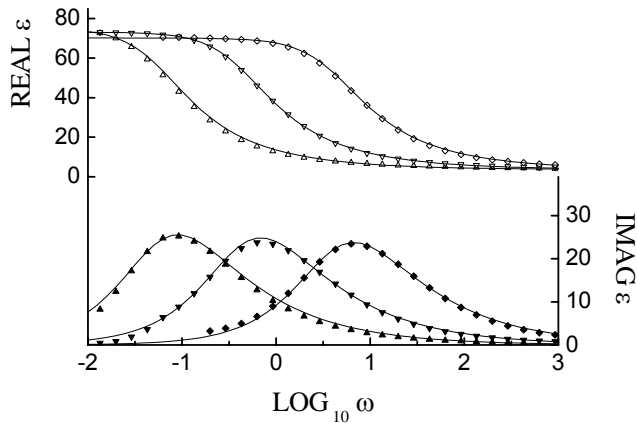
$$0 \leq t \leq n2\pi/\omega_b$$

$$E_x(t) = \begin{cases} E_0 \sin(\omega_b t) & , \quad 0 \leq t \leq n2\pi/\omega_b \\ 0 & , \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

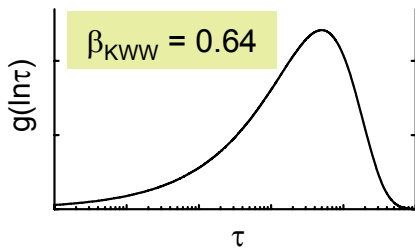
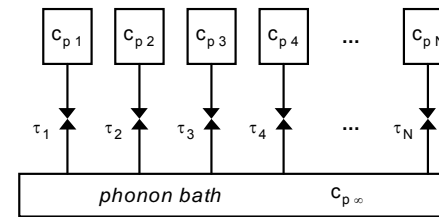
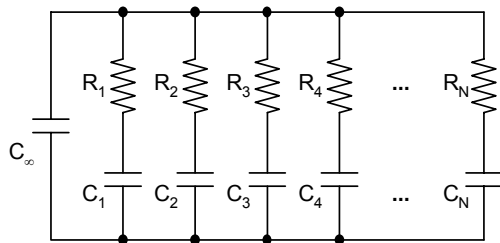
$$0 \leq t \leq n2\pi/\omega_b \quad t > n2\pi/\omega_b$$

$$p(t) = \frac{\varepsilon_0 \nu E_0^2 \varepsilon''(\omega_b) \omega_b}{1 + \omega_b^2 \tau^2} \times \begin{cases} [\omega_b \tau \sin(\omega_b t) + \cos(\omega_b t) - \exp(-t/\tau)]^2 & , \quad 0 \leq t \leq n2\pi/\omega_b \\ [1 - \exp(n2\pi/\omega_b \tau)]^2 \exp(-2t/\tau) & , \quad t > n2\pi/\omega_b \end{cases}$$

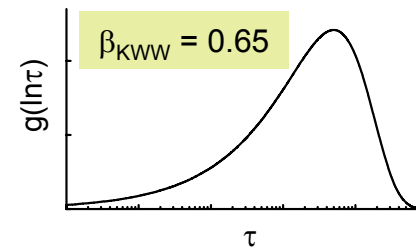
Dielectric and thermal relaxation times in glycerol



N. O. Birge, S. R. Nagel, Phys. Rev. Lett. 54 (1985) 2674

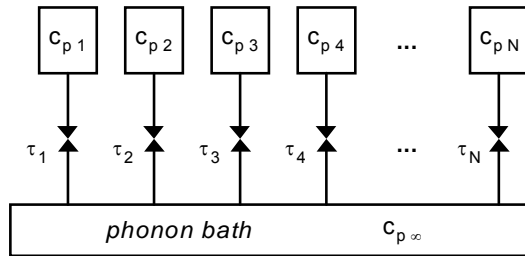


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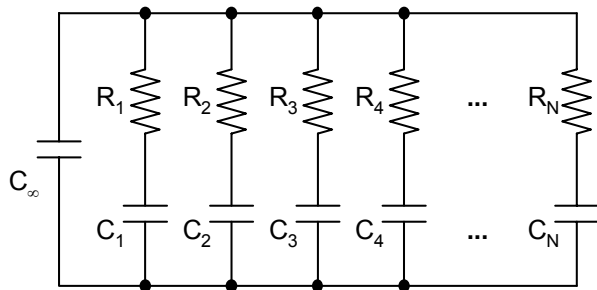
K. Schröter and E. Donth, J. Chem. Phys. 113 (2000) 9101

Only one step further: Tau's are locally correlated



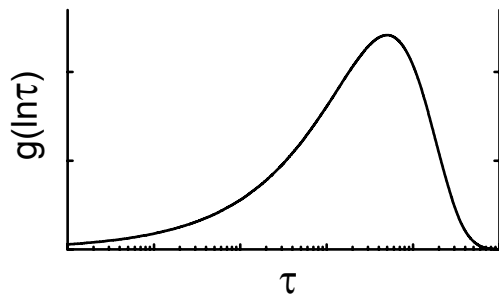
$$\Delta c_p = 1.5 \text{ JK}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$E_A^{\text{eff}} = \frac{\partial \ln \tau}{\partial (1/T)} = 2 \times 10^4 \text{ K}$$



$$\varepsilon_\infty = 3.7, \varepsilon_s = 75.7$$

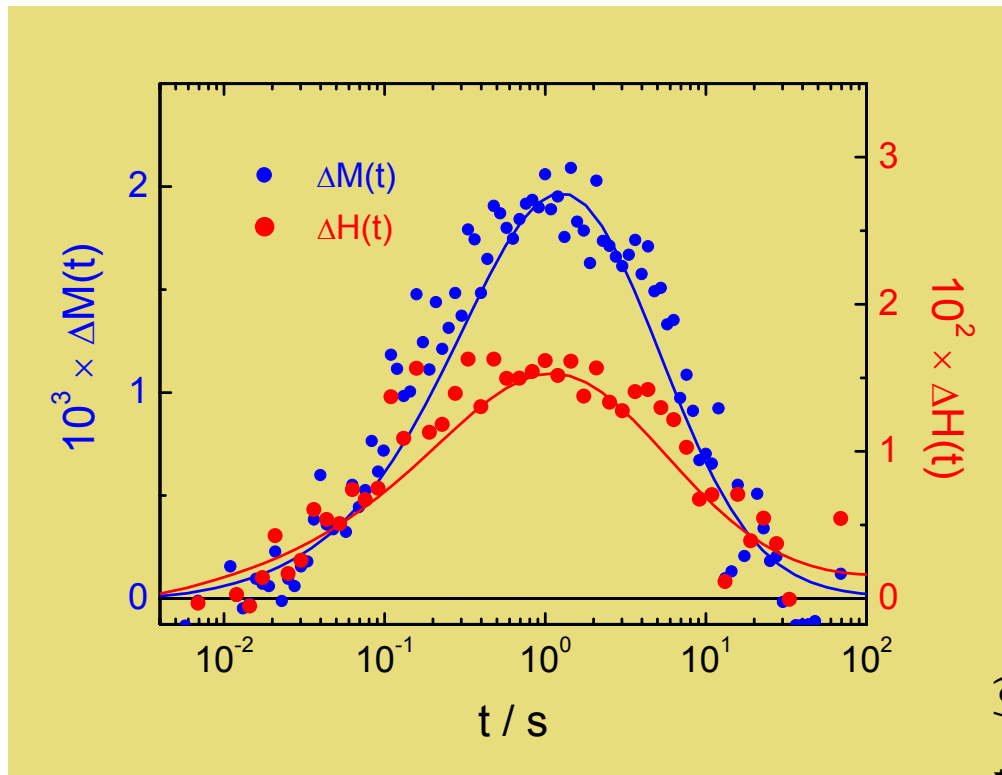
$$\alpha_{HN} = 0.95, \gamma_{HN} = 0.58, \tau_{HN} = 285 \text{ s}$$



Model:

locally correlated structural and thermal relaxation time heterogeneity

DHB in glycerol: Calculated vs. measured results



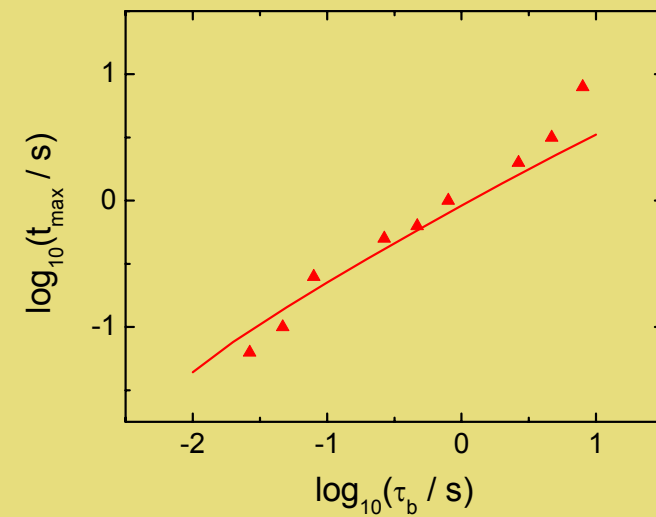
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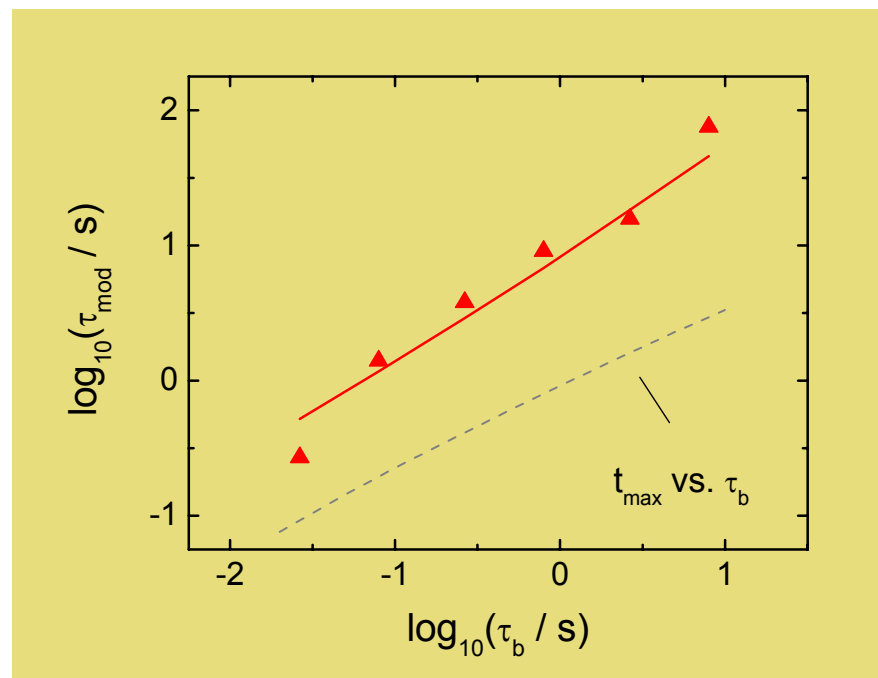
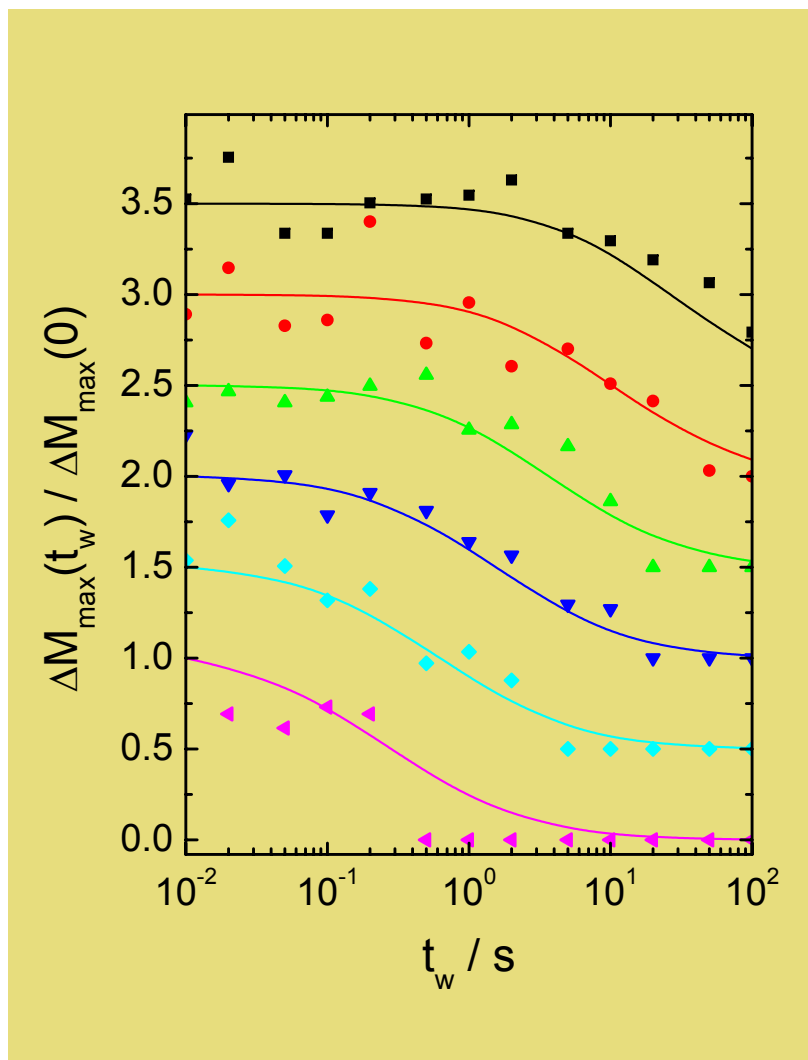
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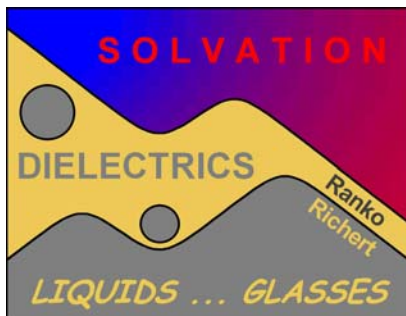


DHB in glycerol: Calculated vs. measured results



Summary

- 👉 standard impedance: $\epsilon^*(\omega)$ from 10^{-3} Hz to 10^7 Hz
yields dynamics with high resolution
- 👉 modulus shifts time by a factor of $T_M \approx (\epsilon_\infty / \epsilon_s)^{1/x} T_\epsilon$
- 👉 dielectric modulus is a directly measurable
quantity: time constants of > 1 y are accessible
- 👉 thermally stimulated $M(t)$ uses low fields only
- 👉 shows kinetic nature of T_g , advantageous for
discriminating various models of relaxations



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