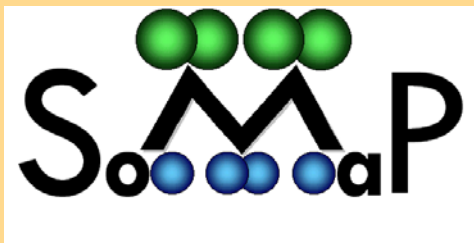


Polymeric dipole electrets and ferroelectric materials

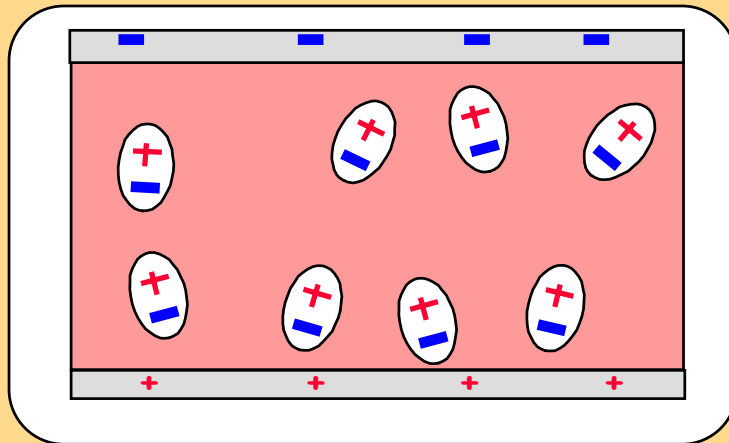
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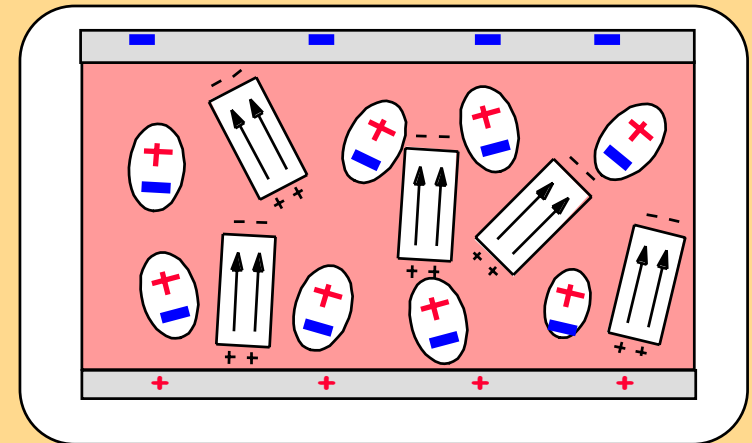


Amorphous dipole and semicrystalline ferroelectric polymer electrets

Frozen quasipermanent dipole orientation

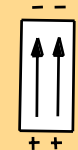


Ferroelectric polarization + compensation charges

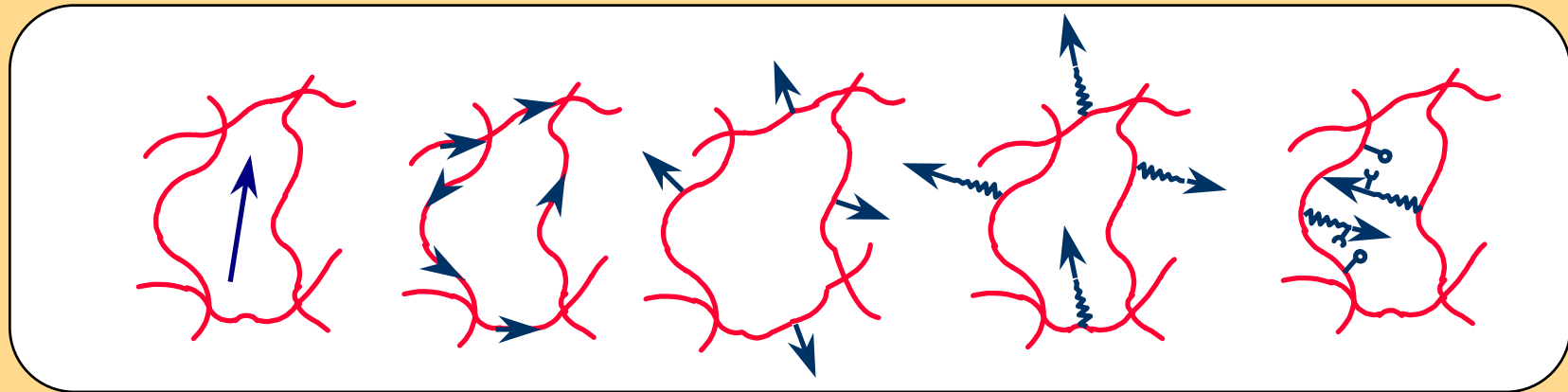


 charges

 polarization

 ferroelectric polarization

Basic concepts for amorphous dipole electrets



Guest-host

Type A

Type B

Type C

Network-
forming

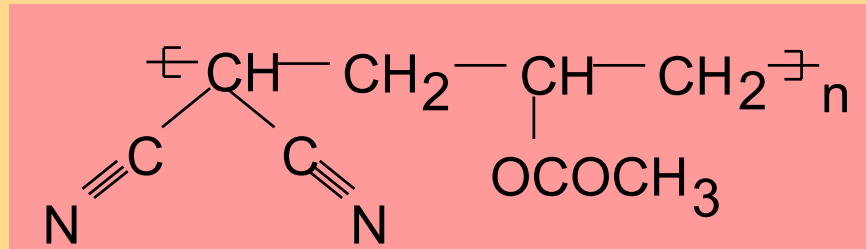
Main-chain

Side-chain

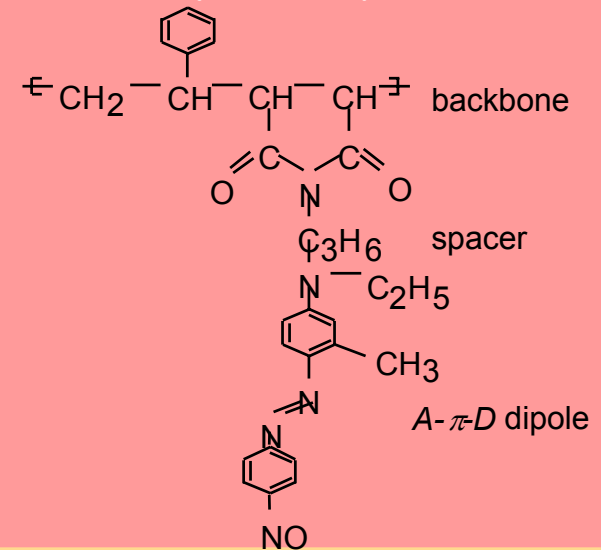
polymers

Amorphous piezo- and pyroelectric dipole electrets

P(VDCN-VAc)



P(S-MA)-DR1



glass transition T_g
frozen polarization P_f

pyroelectric coefficient p
piezoelectric coefficient d_{33}

180°C

55mC/m²

20 μ C/m²K

8pC/N

140°C

7.8mC/m²

1.3 μ C/m²K

1.1pC/N

at a poling field of 50V/ μ m

Dielectric properties of amorphous dipole electrets I

α -relaxation

Dielectric function

$$\tilde{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon_{\infty} + \frac{\Delta\varepsilon}{\left[1 + \{i\omega\tau_{\alpha}(T)\}^p\right]^q}$$

ε_{∞} : high-frequency dielectric constant

$\Delta\varepsilon \sim N\mu^2 / 3\varepsilon_0 kT$: dielectric relaxation strength

N : dipole density

μ : dipole moment

$\tau_{\alpha}(T)$: temperature-dependent relaxation time

p, q : shape parameter of the dielectric relaxation peak

Dielectric properties of amorphous dipole electrets II

α -relaxation

Temperature-dependent dielectric relaxation time

$$\tau_{\alpha}(T) = A \exp\left(\frac{B}{T\{1 - T_2/T_f\}}\right)$$

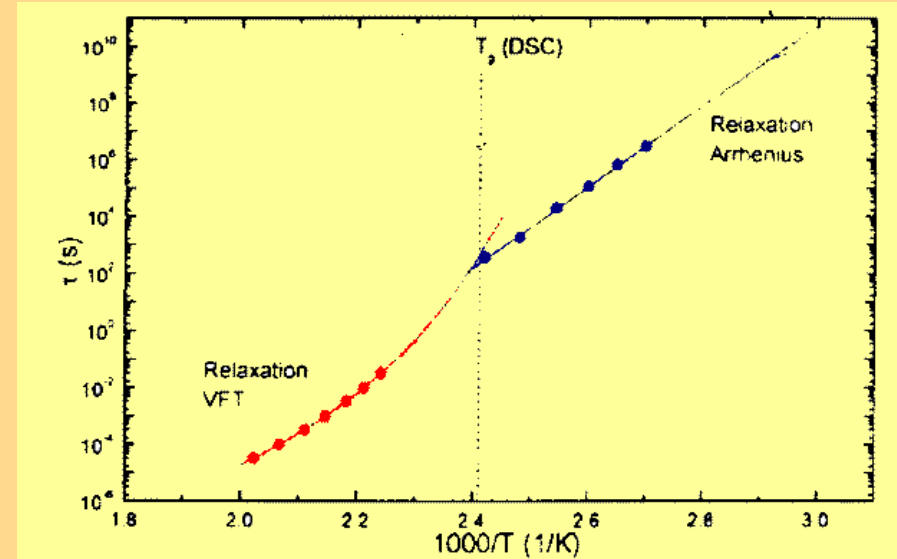
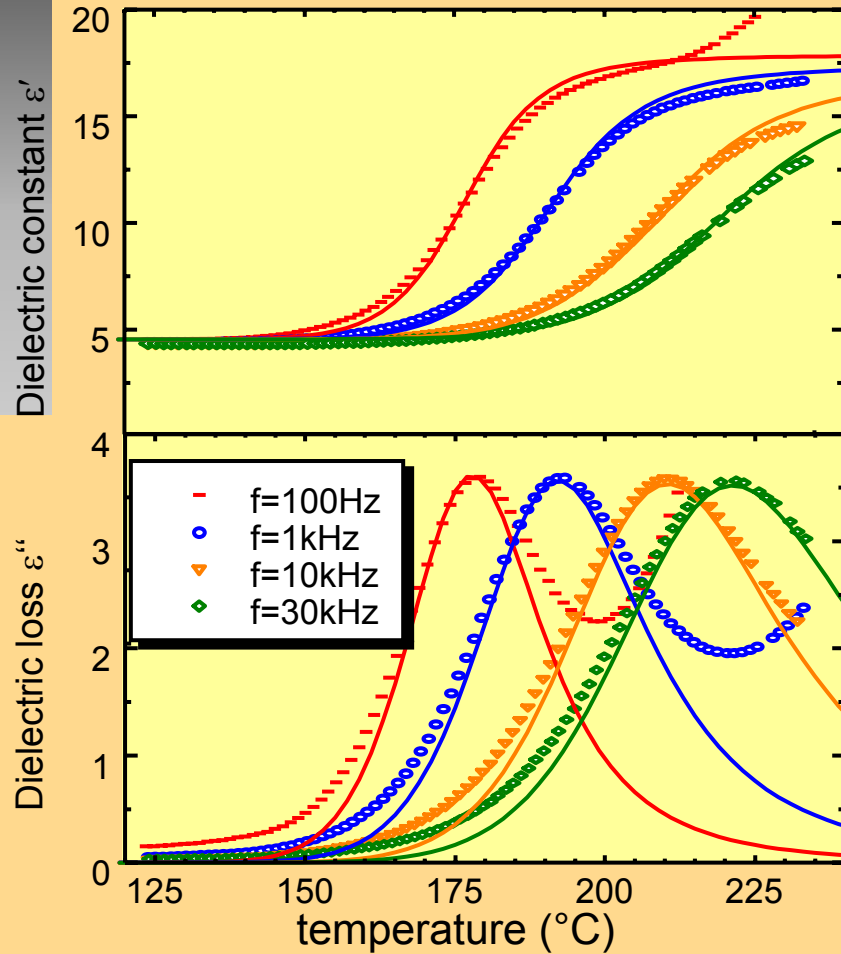
A : time factor

B : activation temperature

T_2 : glass transition temperature

T_f : fictive temperature

Dielectric properties of amorphous side-chain dipole electrets



Frozen polarization in amorphous dipole electrets

Polarization at $T > T_g$

$$P = \varepsilon_0 (\varepsilon_\infty + \Delta\varepsilon) E_p$$

E_p : poling field

Polarization at $T < T_g$

$$P = \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_\infty E_p$$

Frozen polarization

$$P_f = \varepsilon_0 \Delta\varepsilon E_p$$

Piezo- and pyroelectricity: Definition

$$d_{i\alpha} = \frac{\partial D_i}{\partial \sigma_\alpha} = \frac{\partial \varepsilon_\alpha}{\partial E_i}$$

$$p_i = \frac{\partial D_i}{\partial T}$$

D_i : dielectric displacement

E_i : electric field

ε_α : mechanical strain

σ_α : mechanical stress

Piezo- and pyroelectricity in amorphous dipole electrets

$$d_{33} = \frac{1+\nu}{1-\nu} \left(\frac{\varepsilon_{\infty} + 2}{3} - \frac{2}{5} \right) \beta_x P_f$$

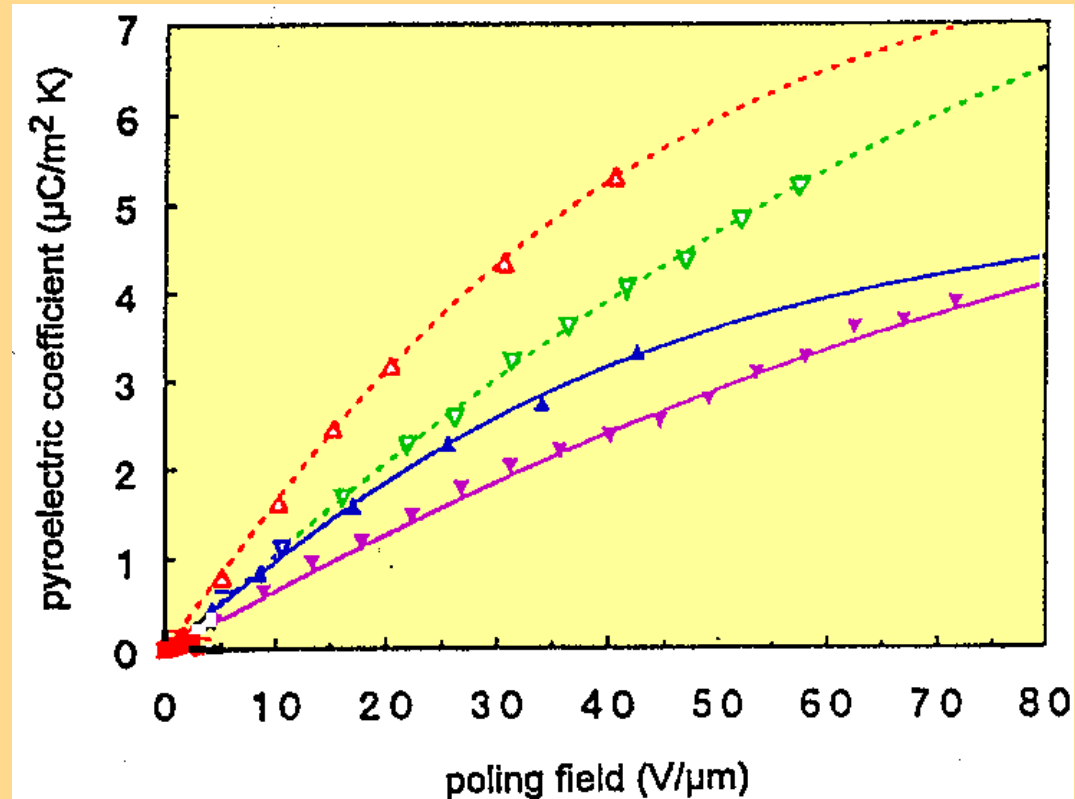
$$p_3 = \frac{1+\nu}{1-\nu} \left(\frac{\varepsilon_{\infty} + 2}{3} - \frac{2}{5} \right) \alpha_x P_f$$

ν : Poisson ratio

β_x : linear compressibility

α_x : linear thermal expansion coefficient

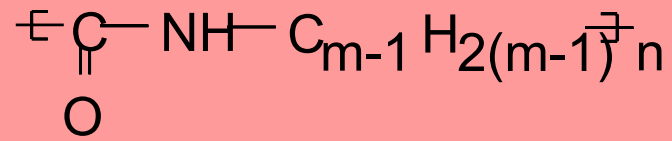
Pyroelectric coefficient of an amorphous dipole electret vs. poling field



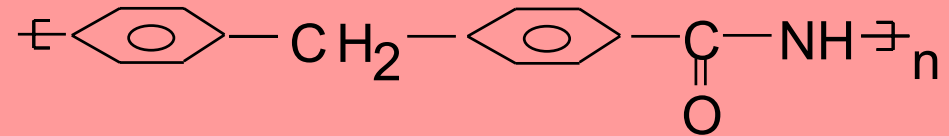
Fluorinated poly(2,3 bis tri fluoromethyl) norbornadiene

Semicrystalline dipole electrets

Nylon 7



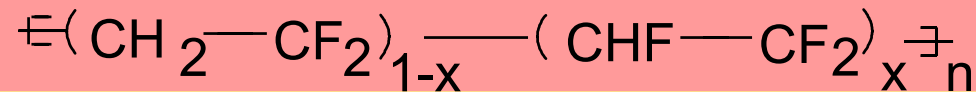
Polyurea



PVDF



P(VDF-TrFE)



remanent polarization

65 mC/m²

up to 100 mC/m²

pyroelectric coefficient

25 μC/m²K

up to 40 μC/m²K

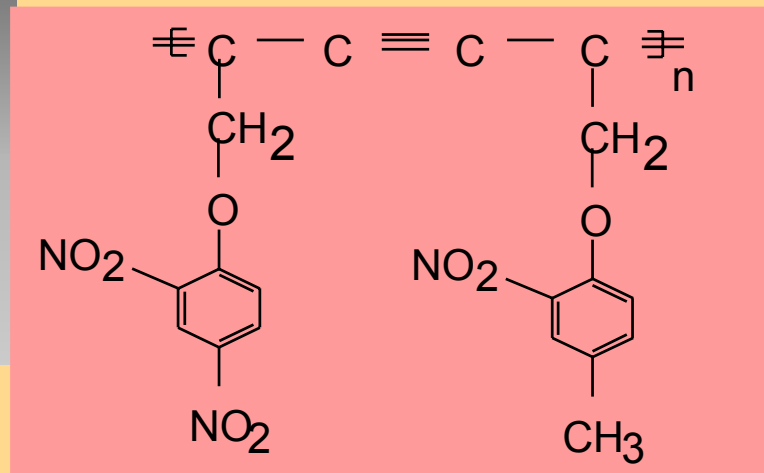
piezoelectric coefficient

30pC/N

up to 35pC/N

Single-crystalline and liquid crystalline pyroelectric polymers

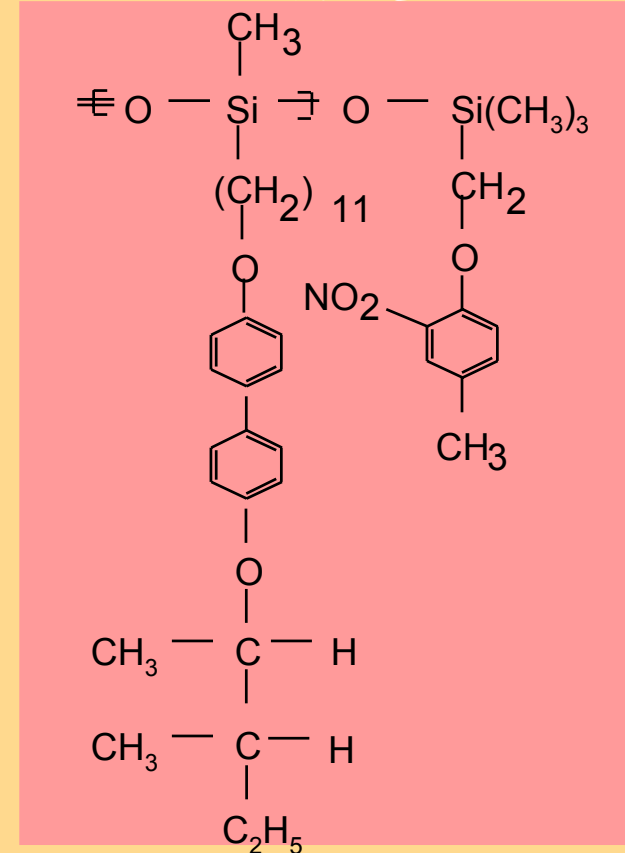
DNP-MNP



pyroelectric coefficient

1.2-3.2 $\mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2\text{K}$

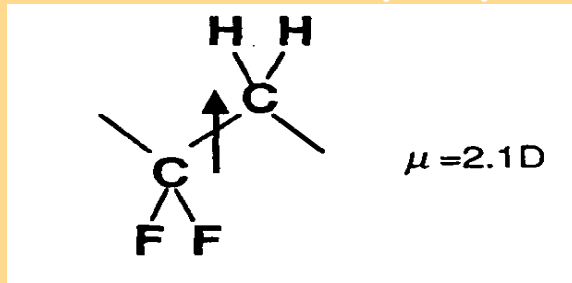
Siloxane-LCP



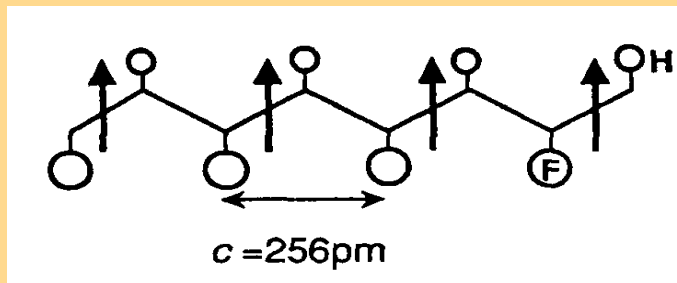
50 $\mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2\text{K}$

Molecular, chain and crystal structure of the ferroelectric β -phase of PVDF

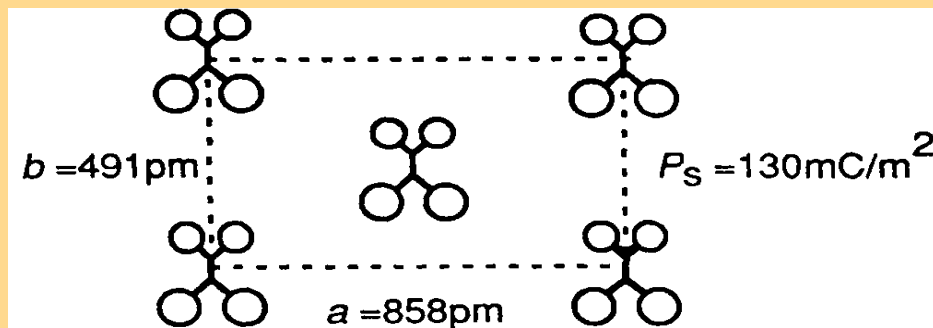
• Polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF)



• molecular structure

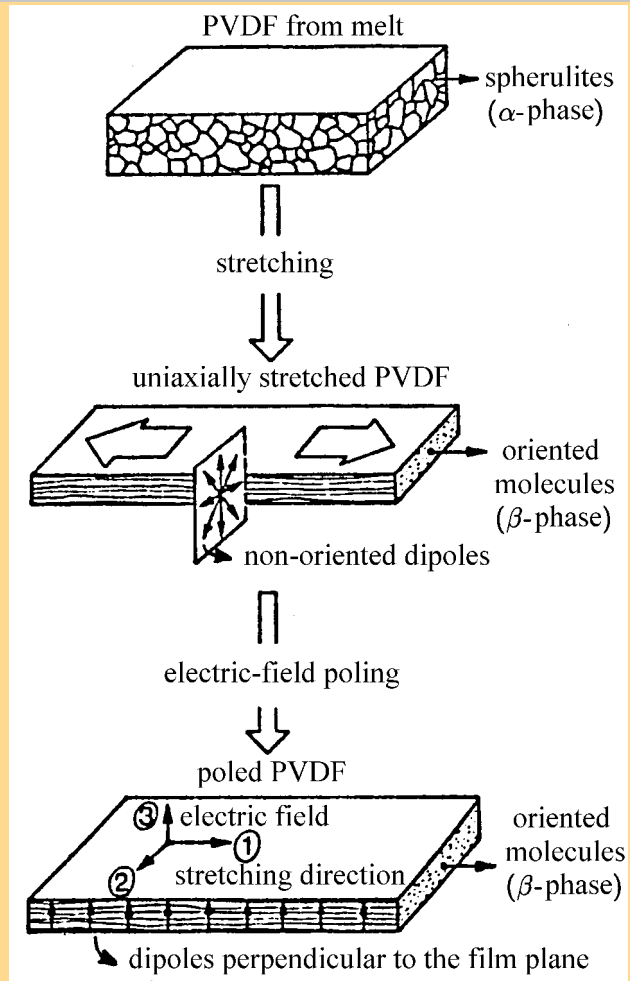


• chain structure

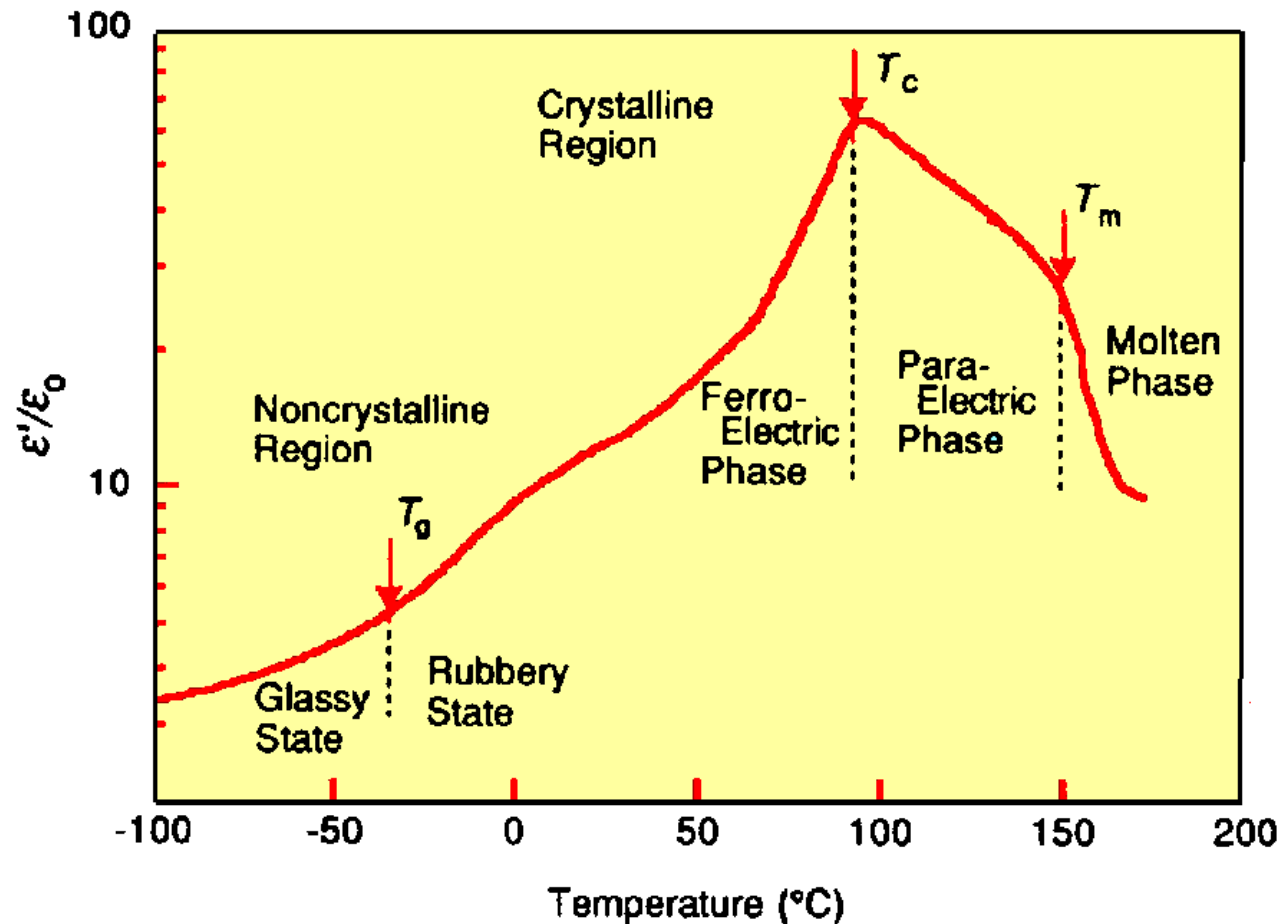


• crystal structure

Preparation of ferroelectric PVDF films

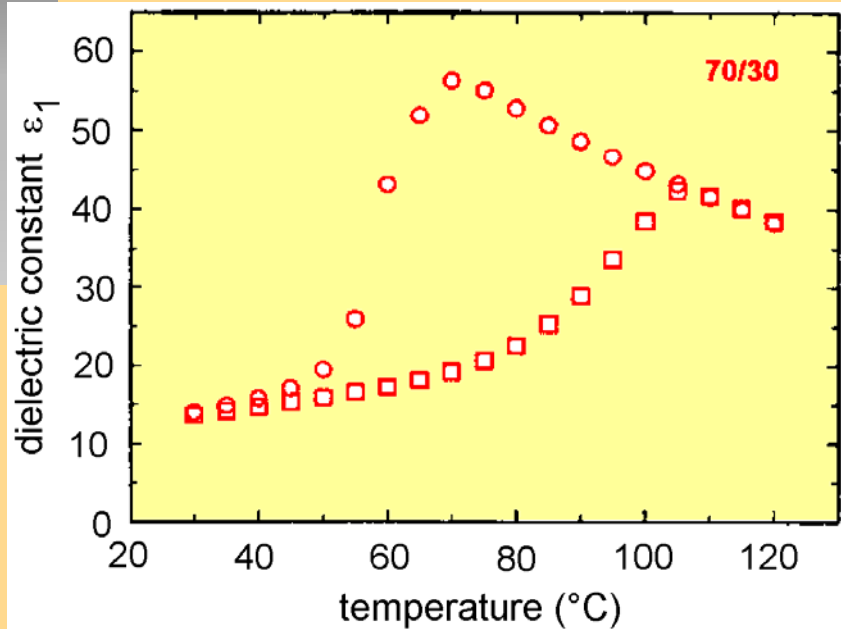


Temperature-dependent dielectric constant ϵ' of a 65/35 P(VDF-TrFE) copolymer

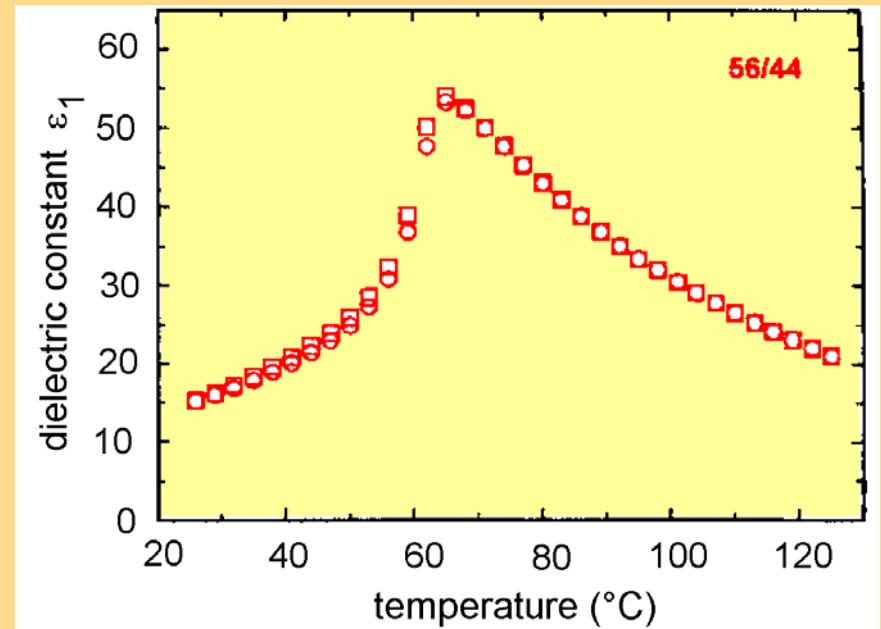


Dielectric constant ϵ' of 70/30 and 56/44 mol% P(VDF-TrFE) copolymers versus temperature

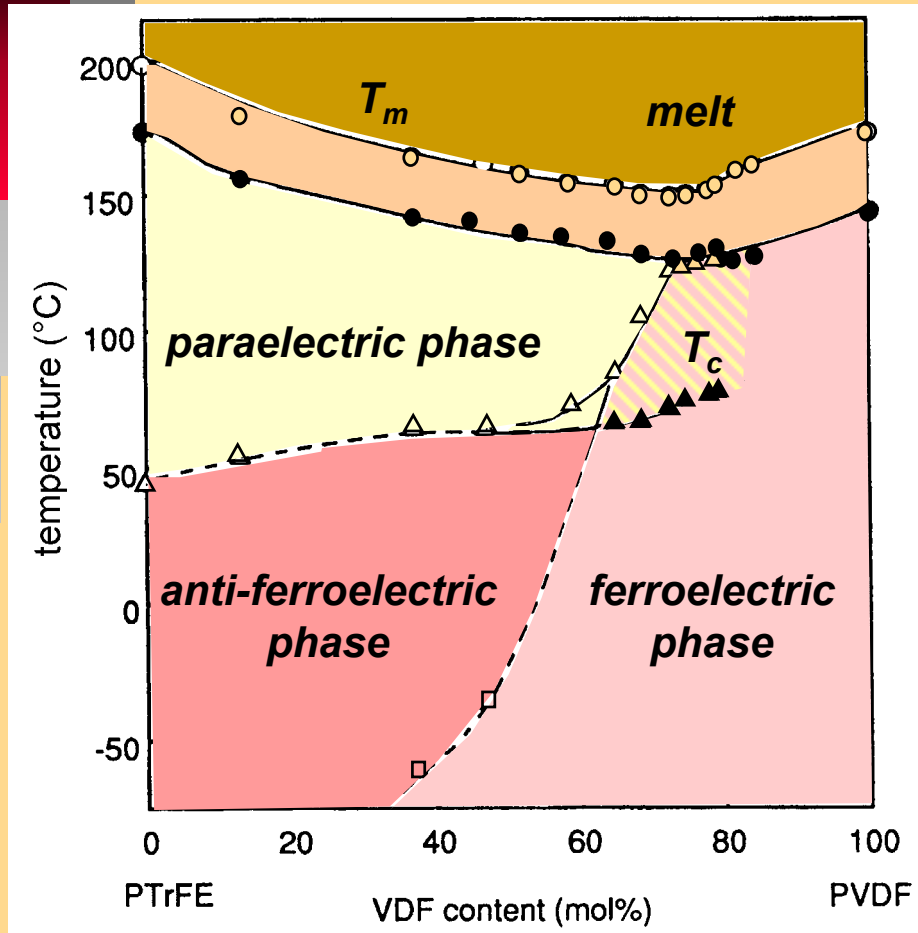
first-order phase transition



second-order phase transition



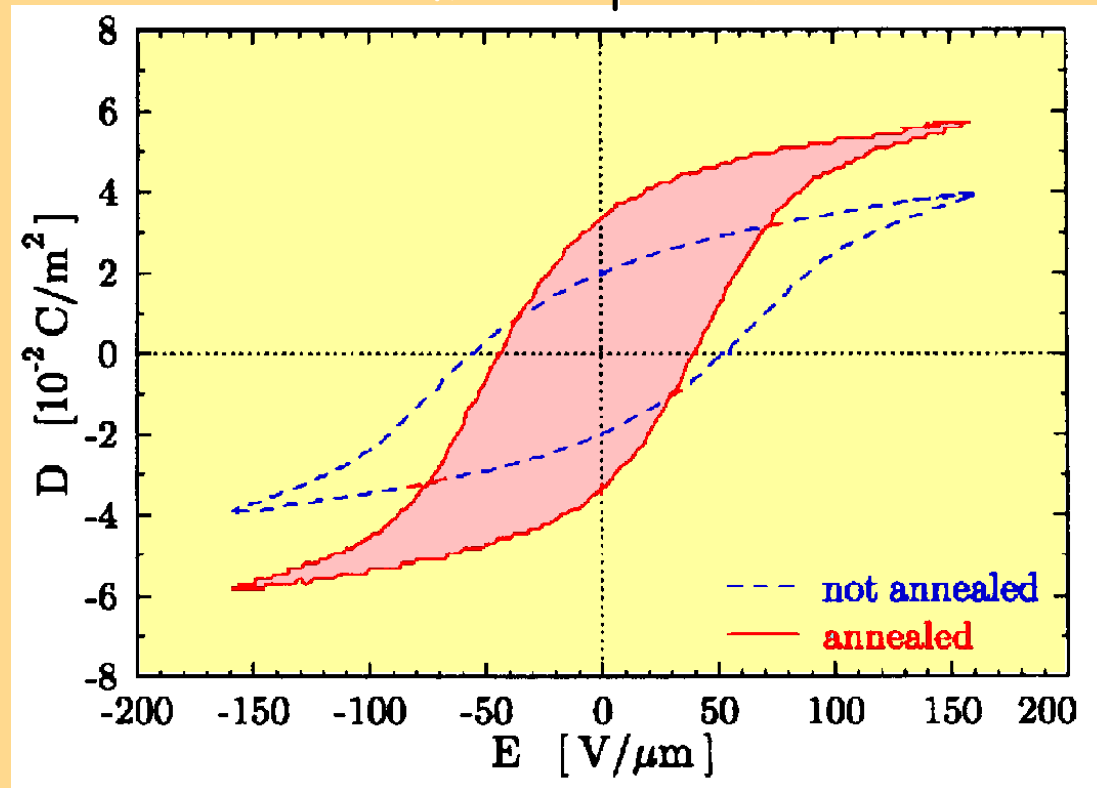
Phase diagram of (PVDF-TrFE) copolymers



- : melting temperature
- : crystallization temperature
- △ : Curie temperature on heating
- ▲ : Curie temperature on cooling
- : ferroelectric-antiferroelectric transition

Ferroelectric hysteresis loop in as-cast and annealed 56/44 P(VDF-TrFE) films

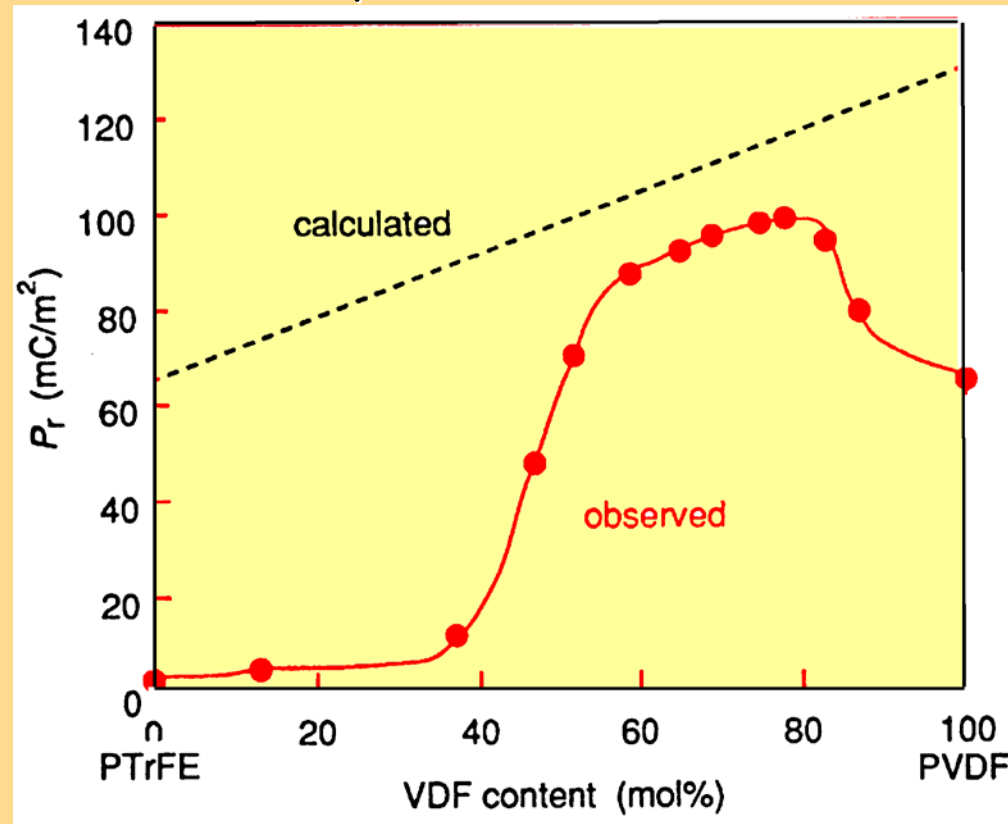
- Improved crystallinity in annealed films \rightarrow increased remanent polarization



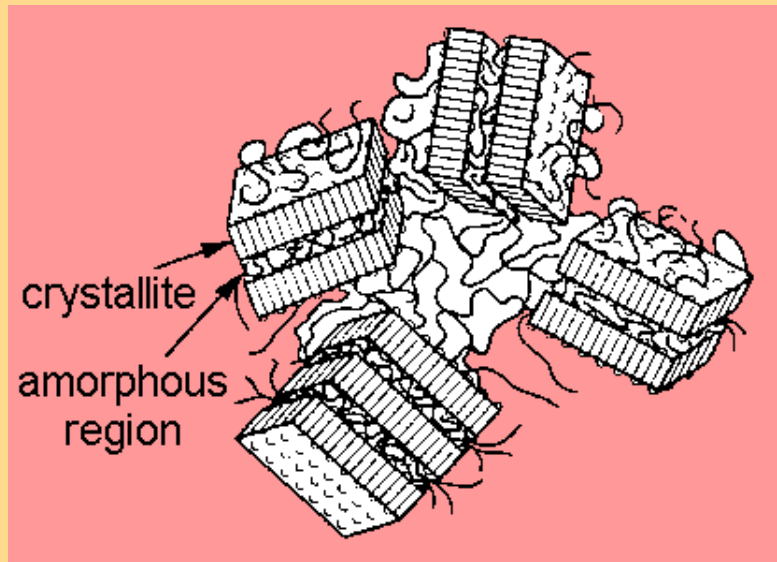
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Composition dependence of the remanent polarization P_r for P(VDF-TrFE) copolymers

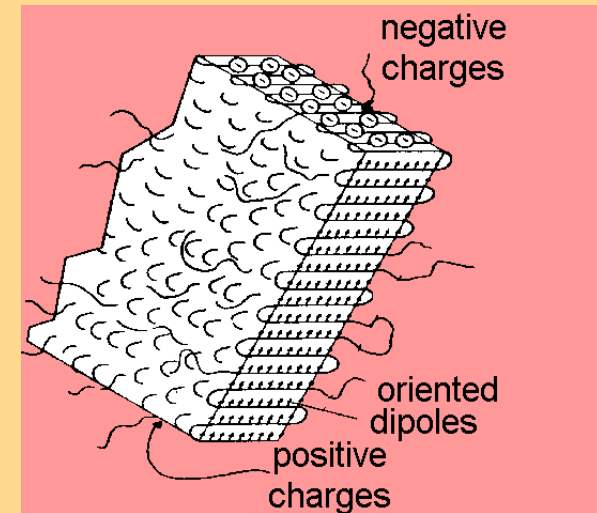
- Highest crystallinity between 60-80 mol% VDF \rightarrow largest remanent polarization



Polymer structure with ferroelectric crystallites



semicrystalline
polymer structure



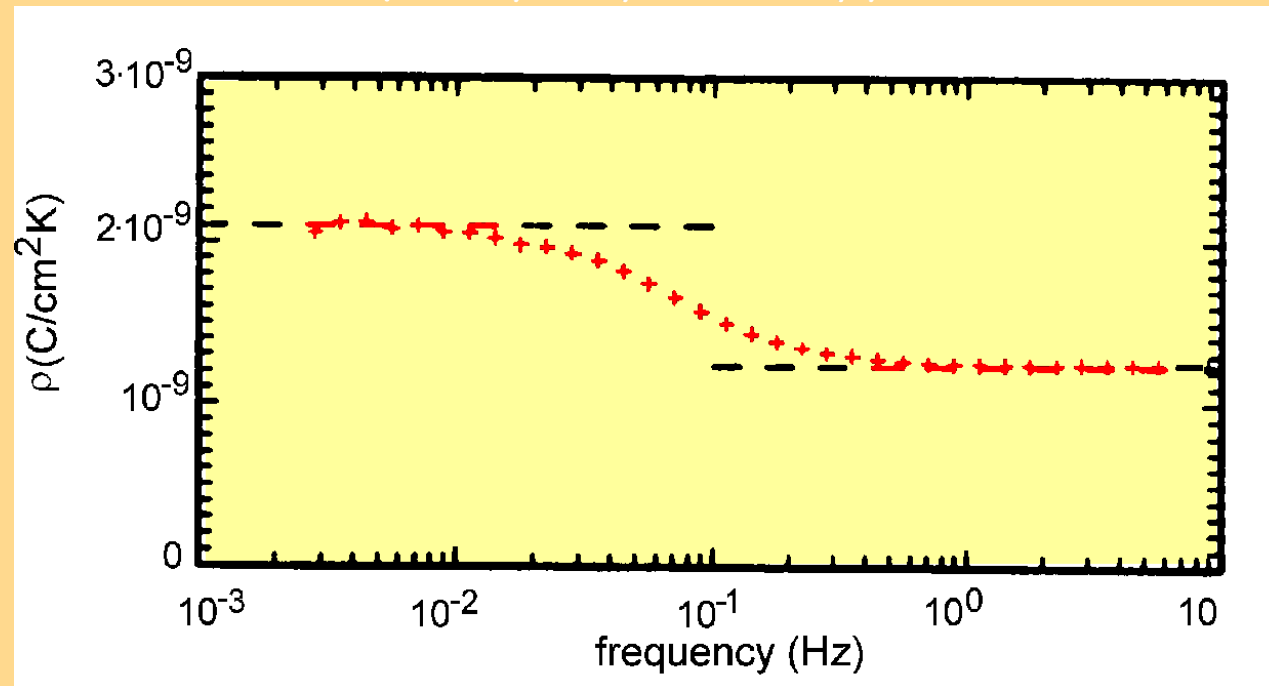
crystallite with compensation charges
at the interfaces between amorphous
and crystalline regions

symmetry class: $mm\infty$, $C_{\infty v}$

piezo- and pyroelectricity in charged polymers?

Pyroelectric relaxation in PVDF

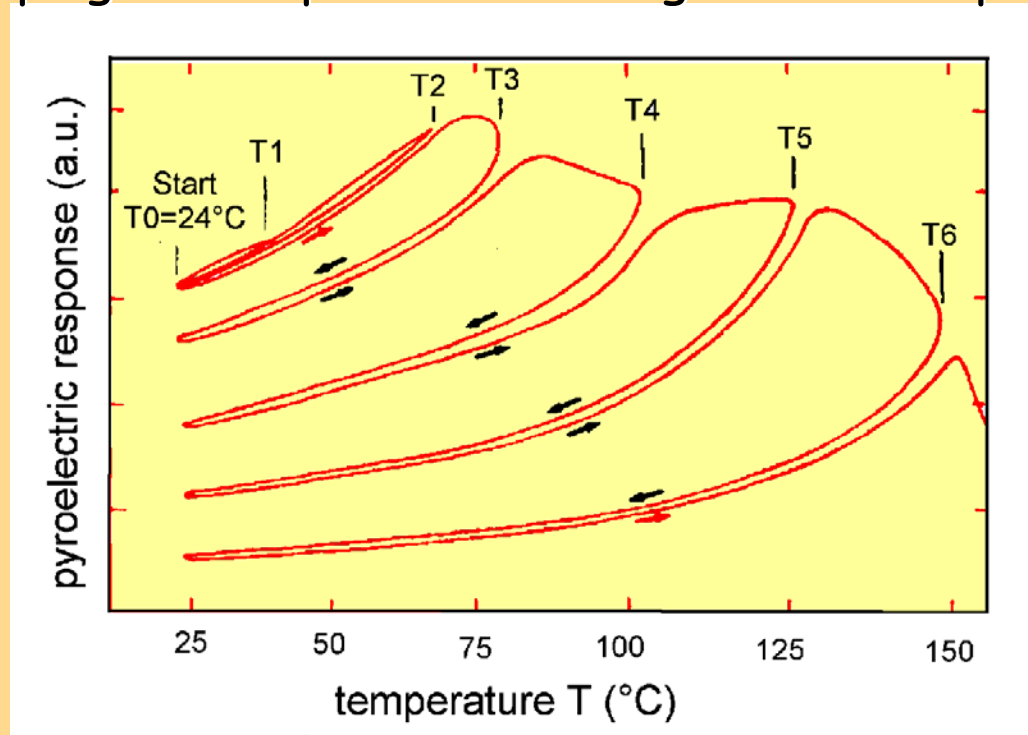
- Pyroelectric relaxation \rightarrow
time- or frequency-dependent pyroelectric coefficient



B. Ploss and A. Domig, *Ferroelectrics* **159**, 263 (1994)

Thermal stability of pyroelectricity in PVDF under cyclic increase and decrease of the temperature

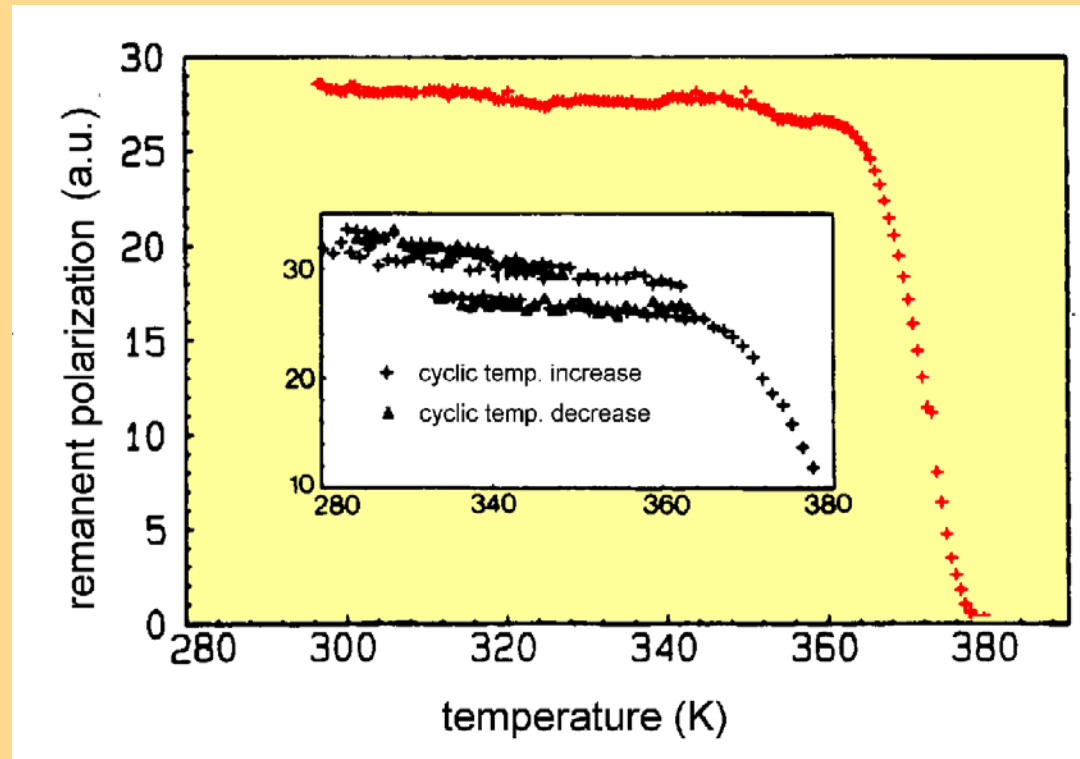
- Irreversible decrease of the pyroelectric response well below the Curie transition
- Detrapping of compensation charges reduces polarization



S. Bauer and S. Lang, *IEEE Trans. Dielect. Electr. Insul.* **3**, 647 (1996)

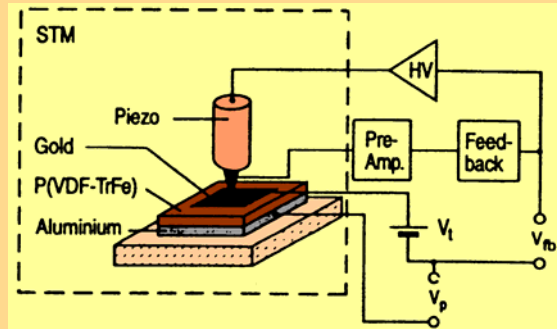
Thermal stability of the remanent polarization in a 70/30 P(VDF-TrFE) copolymer

- High crystallinity of the film \rightarrow small irreversibilities of the pyroelectric response



A. Wicker et al., *J. Appl. Phys.* 66, 342 (1989)

Microscopic ferroelectric properties of P(VDF-TrFE)

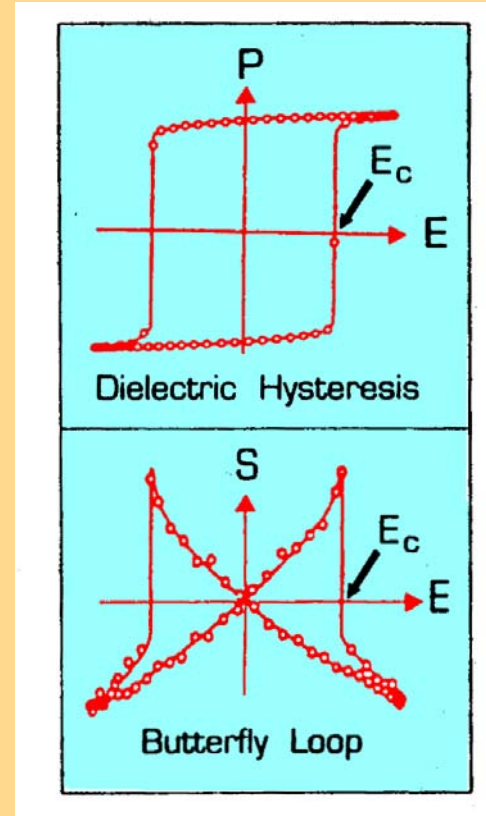


Experimental set-up for measuring the local strain in a ferroelectric polymer

Microscopic hysteresis loops in films with different crystallinity

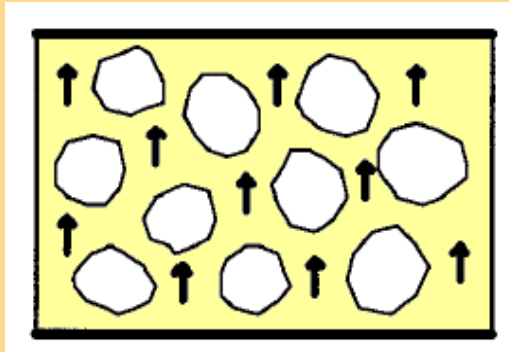
strain-field hysteresis	crystallinity
	>90%
	80%
	60%
	<10%

Displacement D and strain S hysteresis loops

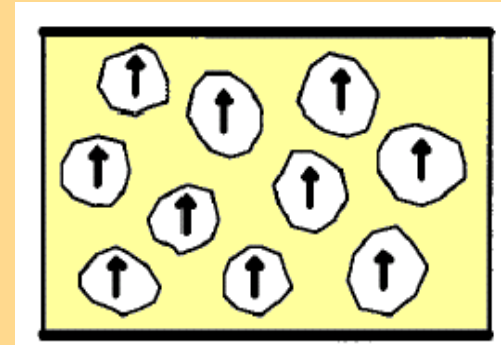


Li-Jie et al., *Physica B* 204, 318 (1995)

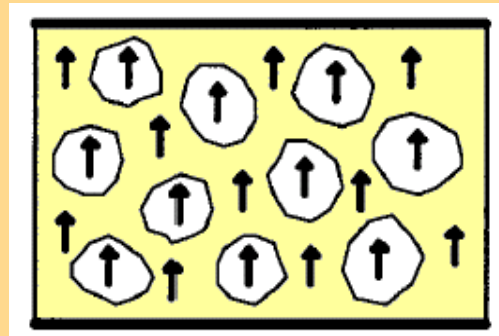
Composites of ferroelectric polymers and ferroelectric ceramics



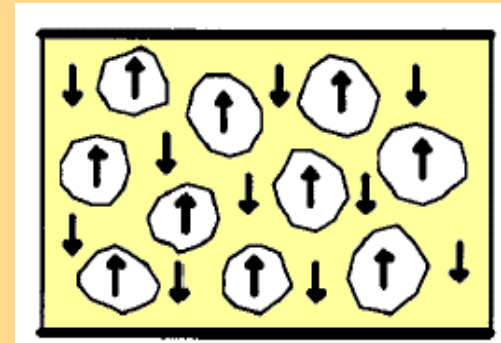
Poled polymer matrix



Poled ceramic inclusions



Both phases poled parallel

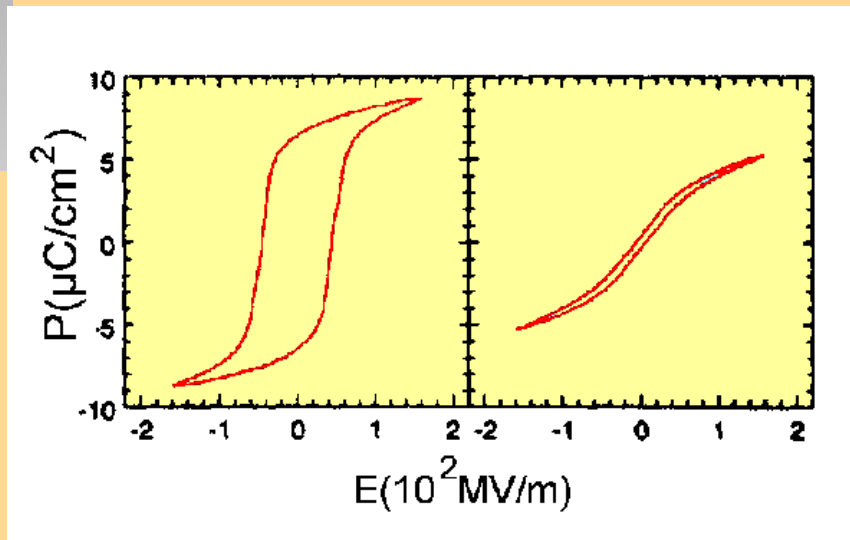


Both phases poled antiparallel

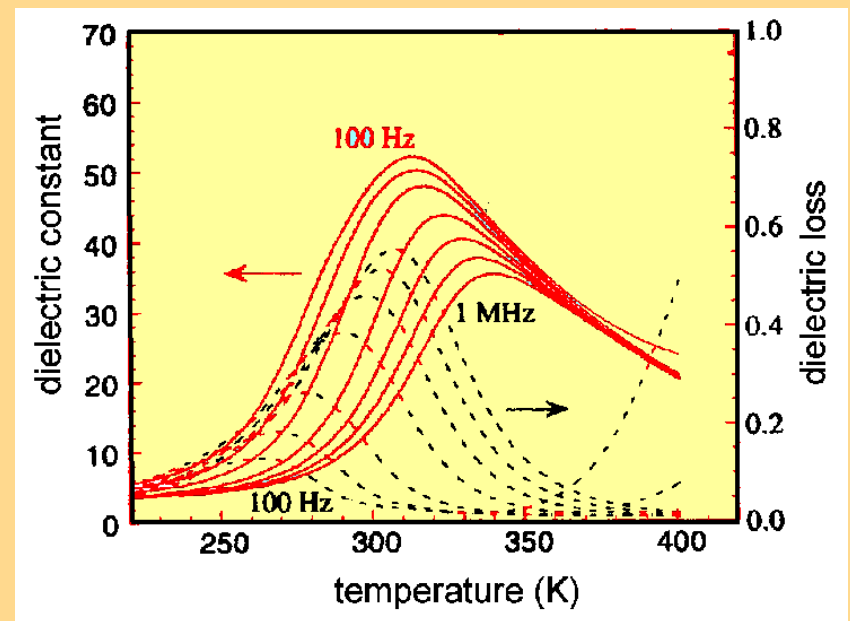
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Relaxor ferroelectric copolymers

- Hysteresis loop before and after irradiation with 3MeV electrons

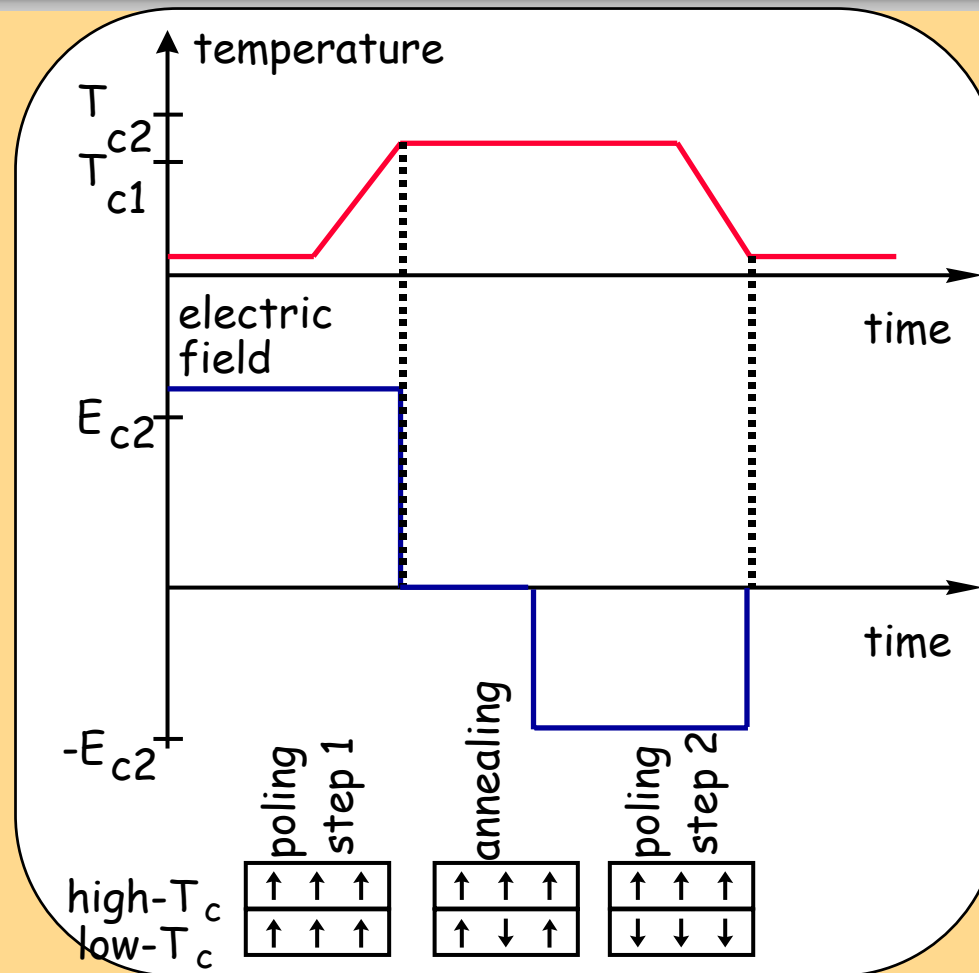


- Dielectric constant and loss of an irradiated film

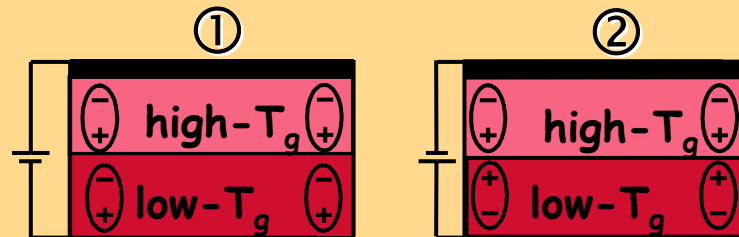
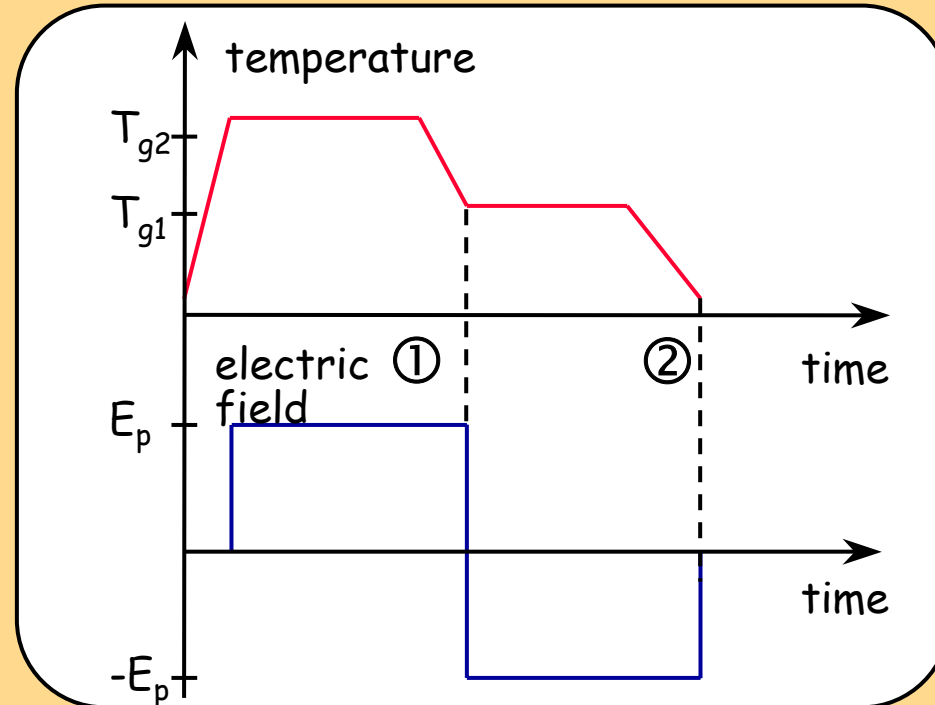


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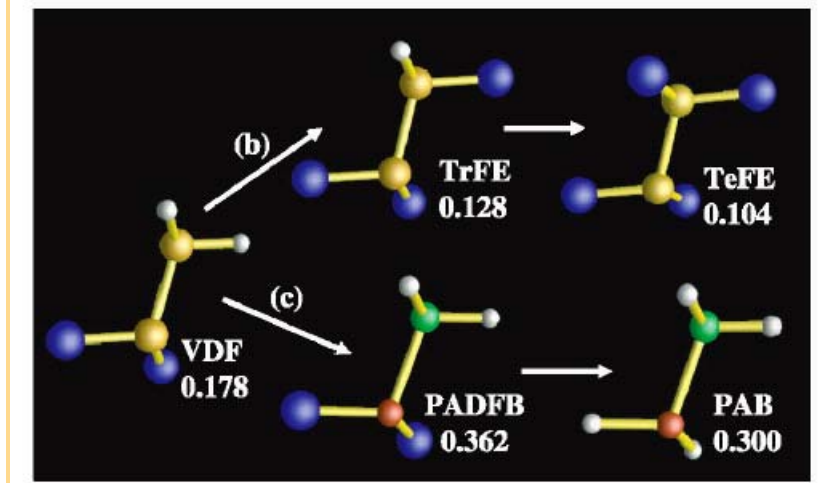
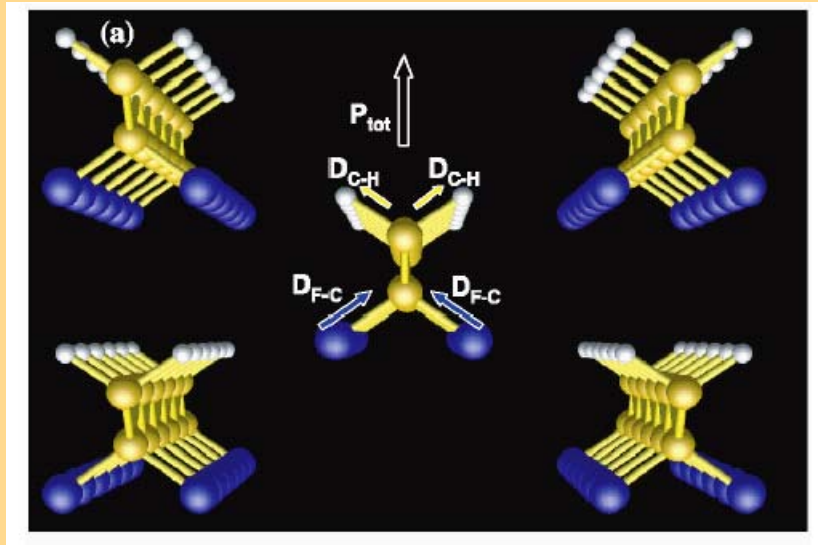
Preparation of ferroelectric polymer bimorphs by two-step poling



Two-step poling in amorphous polymer electrets



Improved ferroelectric polymers?



Replace C by B and N \rightarrow increased piezoelectric coefficients

still awaits experimental verification

Summary

Amorphous dipole electrets



- frozen quasipermanent polarization
- small piezo- and pyroelectric coefficients

Summary

Semicrystalline, ferroelectric dipole electrets



- interplay between volume charges and ferroelectric polarization
- piezo- and pyroelectric relaxation

Relaxor ferroelectric polymers



- large electrostrictive response

Acknowledgments

