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# Investigation of Structure and Dynamics in Polymeric Systems via Solid State NMR

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# Scientific Activities of the MPI-P Spectroscopy Group



## Structure and Dynamics

- Polymer Chain Dynamics
- Local-Order Phenomena

## Development of Methods

- 2D Multiple Quantum MAS NMR
- Imaging of Hyperpolarized Gases
- DFT Calculations
- Pulsed and CW EPR
- Fourier-Transform Rheology

## Polymer Synthesis

- Polymerization: Radical, Anionic, Emulsion, Atom-Transfer Radical
- Isotopic Labelling

## Spectroscopy Group

- Polyelectrolyte Multilayers
- Self Assembled Monolayers
- Surface Patterning

## Surfaces & Interfaces

- Photoconductors
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- Columnar  $\pi$ - $\pi$  Stacking
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## Functional Materials

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**Introduction** • interactions in solid state NMR

**Solid State NMR** • resolution enhancement in solid state NMR, magic angle spinning, recoupling methods, double quantum NMR spectroscopy

**Polymer dynamics** • Polyelectrolyte layers, polybutadiene, PEMA

**Conclusions** • Pro and Contra of Solid State NMR investigations



# Molecular Structures and Dynamics via NMR



Important NMR interactions:

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}_Z + \mathbf{H}_Q + \mathbf{H}_{CS} + \mathbf{H}_D + \mathbf{H}_J$$

Zeemann Interaction :

$$H_Z = - \sum_i \gamma_i \underline{\mathbf{B}}_0 \underline{\mathbf{I}}^i$$

Quadrupol Interaction :

$$H_Q = - \sum_i \frac{eQ}{2I(2I-1)\hbar} \underline{\mathbf{I}}^i \underline{\underline{\mathbf{V}}} \underline{\mathbf{I}}^i$$

Electronic Shielding :

$$H_{CS} = - \sum_i \gamma_i \underline{\mathbf{B}}_0 \underline{\underline{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}} \underline{\mathbf{I}}^i$$

Dipol-Dipol Interaction :

$$H_D = - \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{\mu_0 \hbar}{4\pi} \frac{\gamma_i \gamma_j}{r^3} \left[ \frac{3}{r^2} (\underline{\mathbf{I}}^i \cdot \underline{\mathbf{r}})(\underline{\mathbf{I}}^j \cdot \underline{\mathbf{r}}) - \underline{\mathbf{I}}^i \cdot \underline{\mathbf{I}}^j \right]$$

Indirect Spin-Spin Interaction :

$$H_J = - \sum_{i \neq j} \underline{\mathbf{I}}^i \cdot \underline{\underline{\mathbf{J}}}^{ij} \underline{\mathbf{I}}^j$$



# Interactions in Solid State NMR Spectroscopy



Zeemann interaction dominates all other NMR interactions

**Perturbation Theory**

Orientation dependence of local spin interaction on  $B_0$

$H_Q, H_D, H_{CS}, H_J$

**Isotropic Contributions**

$H_{CS}$ : chemical shift  
 $H_J$ : J-couplings

**Liquid state NMR**

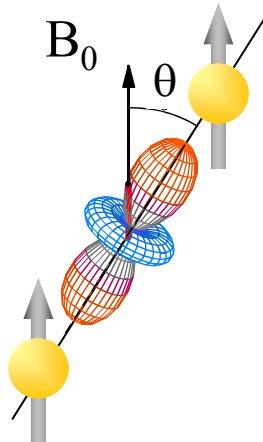
**Anisotropic Contributions**

**Symmetric**

$H_Q$ : quadrupol  
 $H_D$ : dipol-dipol  
 $H_{CS}$ : chemical shift

**Asymmetric**

$H_Q$ : quadrupol  
 $H_{CS}$ : chemical shift



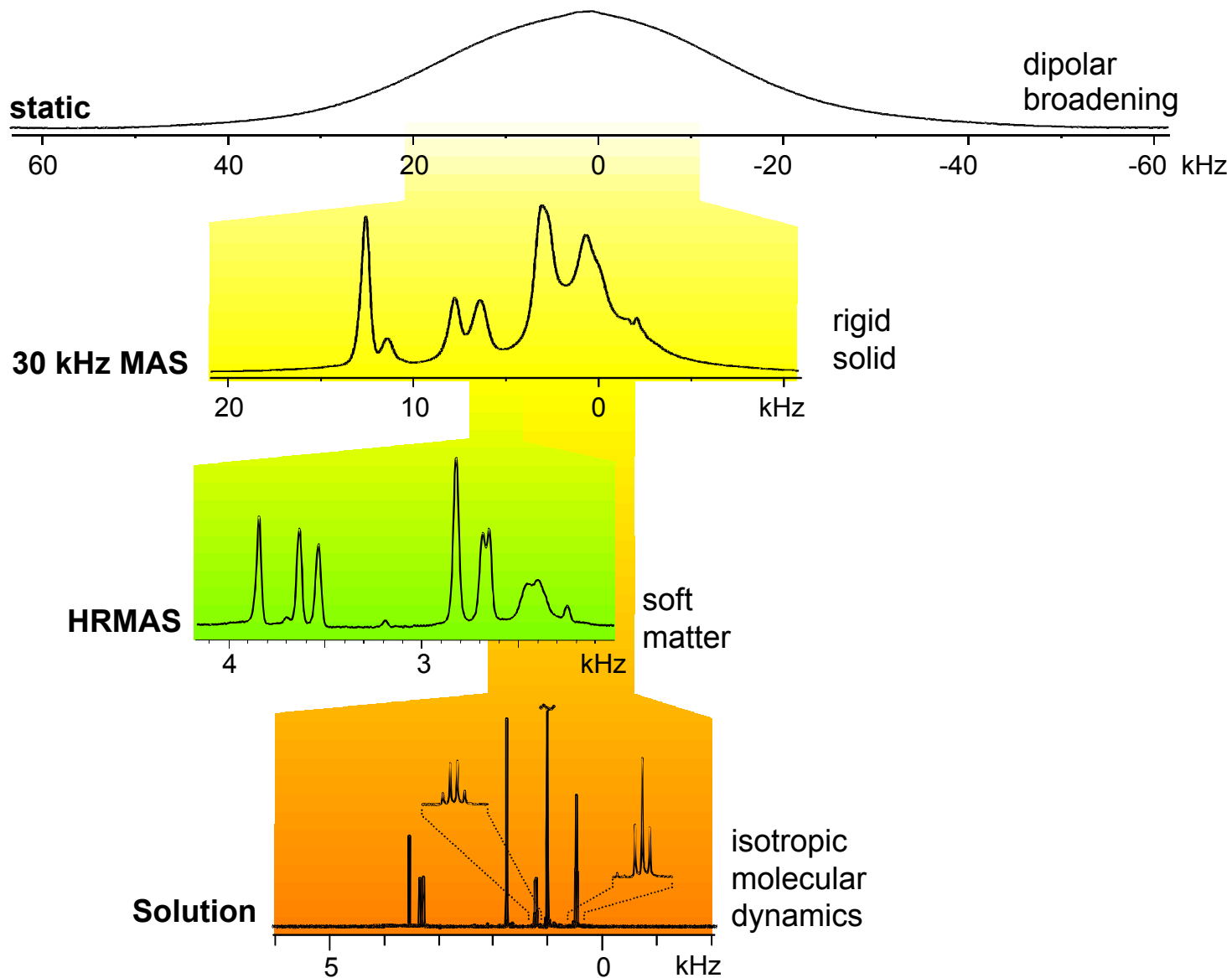
$$H_D = \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{\mu_0 \hbar}{4\pi} \frac{\gamma_i \gamma_j}{r_{ij}^3} \frac{1}{2} (3 \cos^2 \theta_{ij} - 1) \mathbf{T}_{2,0}^{ij}$$

**Distance      Orientation**





# $^1\text{H}$ NMR Spectra in Liquid and in Solid State

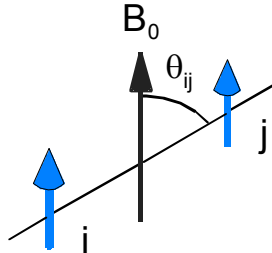




# Spectral Resolution Enhancement in Solid State NMR



dipole-dipole coupling:



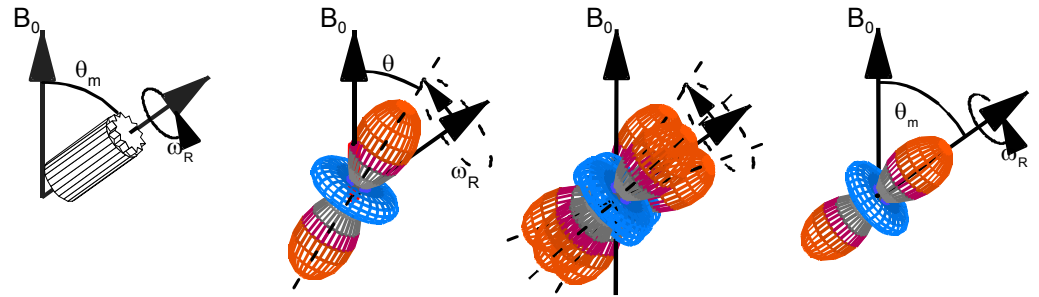
$$\hat{H} = \hat{R}_{2,0} \cdot \hat{T}_{2,0}$$

space
spin

$$\hat{H} \propto \frac{1}{r_{ij}^3} \frac{1}{2} (3 \cos^2 \theta_{ij} - 1) \gamma_i \gamma_j (3 \hat{I}_{Z,i} \hat{I}_{Z,j} - \hat{I}_i \cdot \hat{I}_j)$$

magic angle spinning:

$$\overline{\hat{R}_{2,0}} \rightarrow 0$$



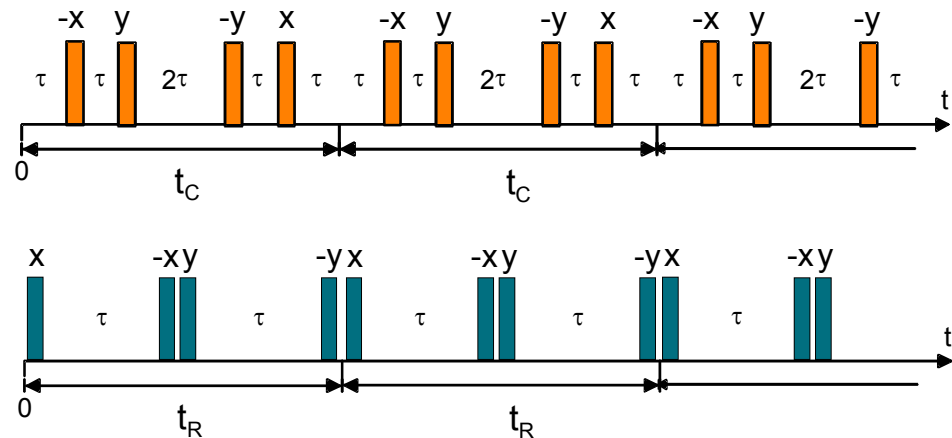
RF irradiation:

$$\overline{\hat{T}_{2,0}} = 0 \quad (\text{CRAMPS})$$

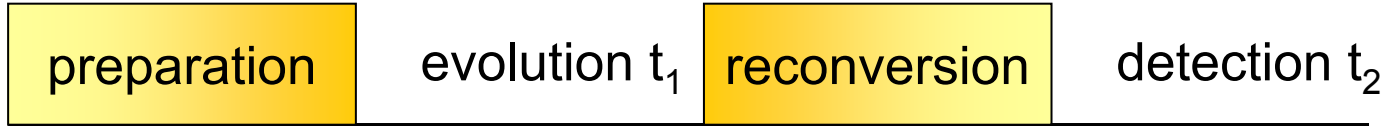
$$\hat{T}_{2,0}$$



$$H_{D,eff.} \quad (\text{Recoupling})$$



# Double Quantum NMR Spectroscopy under MAS

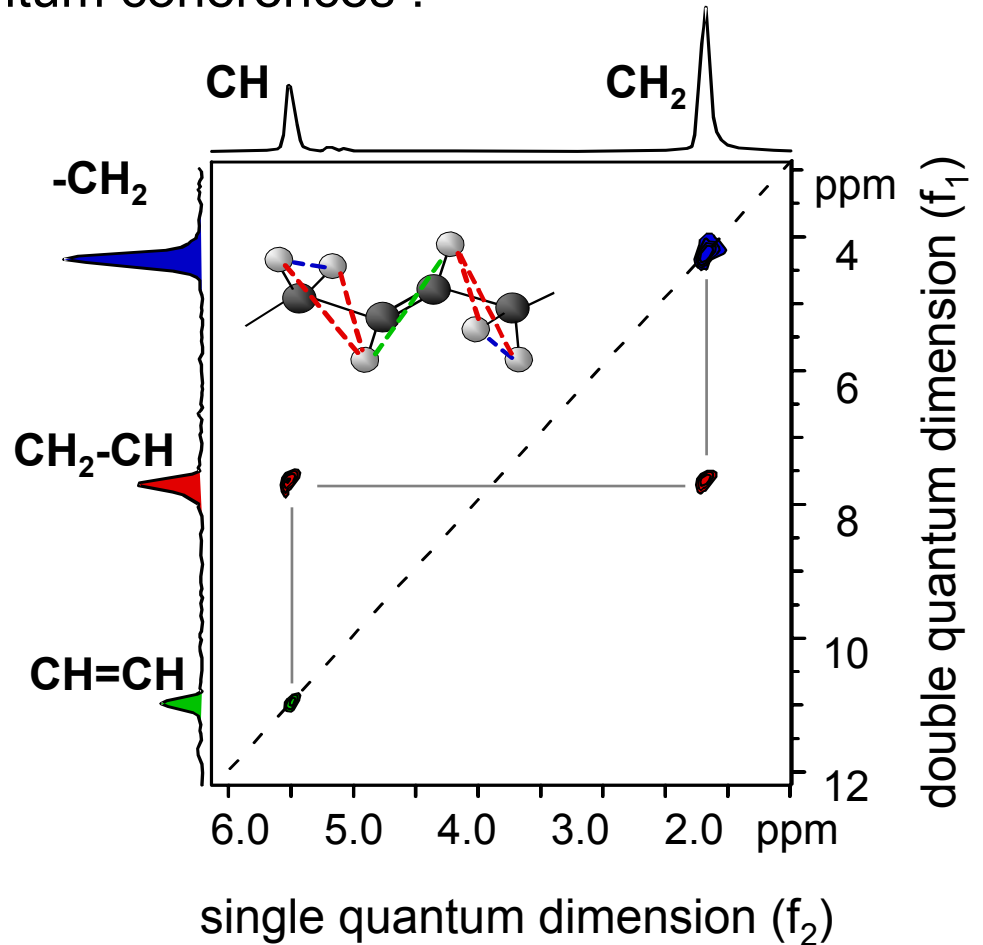


properties of double quantum coherences :

●  $\omega_{DQ} = \sum_i \omega_{SQ,i}$

●  $I_{DQ,ij} = f(D_{ij} \cdot t)$

●  $\frac{dM}{dt} \approx 0$

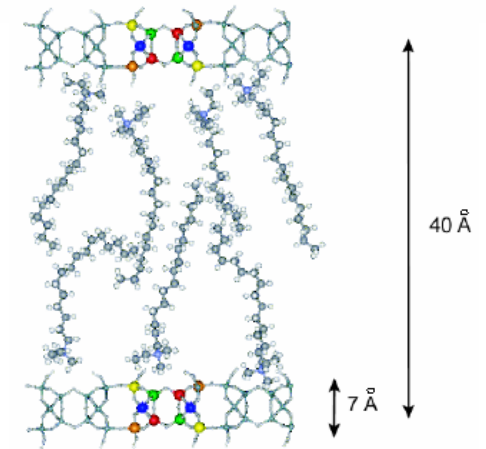
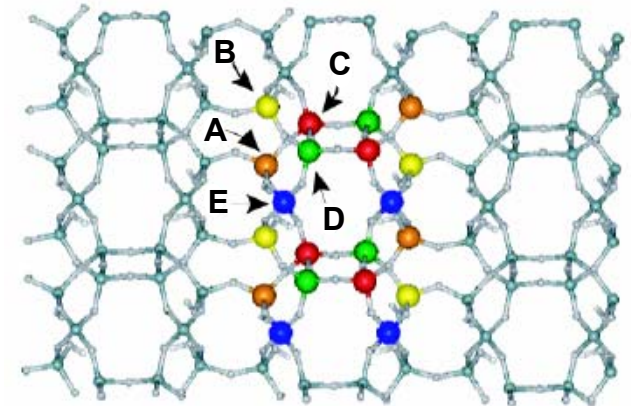
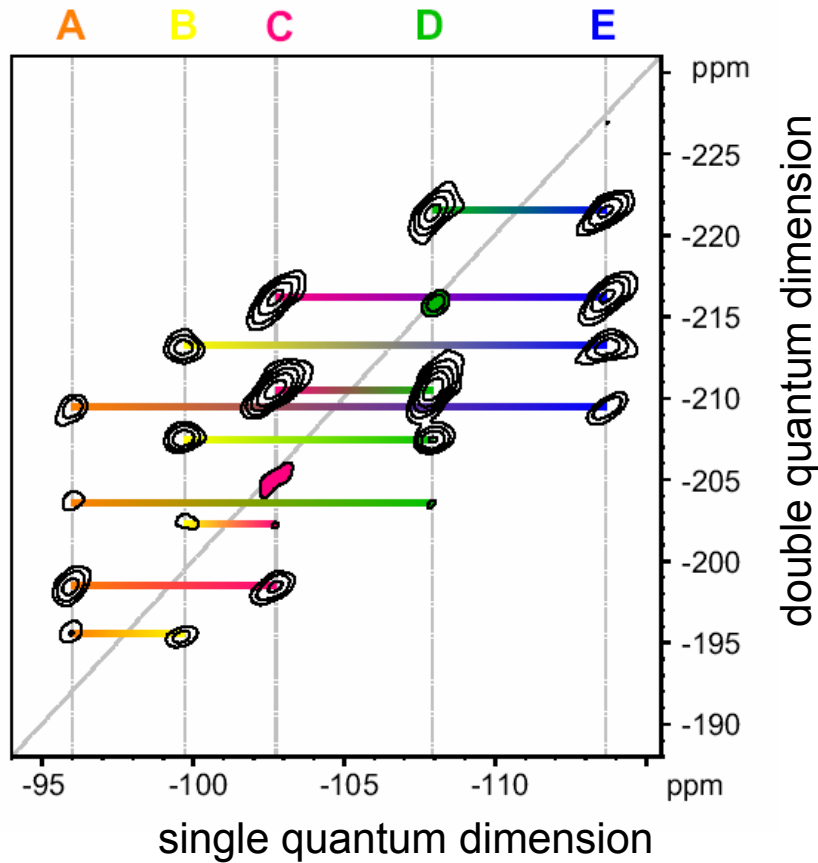




# Molecular Structure of Layered Silicates



$^{29}\text{Si}$  double-quantum spectrum: DQ-Intensities => coordination spheres



structure of layered silicates from analysis of spatial proximities

N. Hedin et al., *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **126**, 9425 (2004).

# Polybenzoxazines

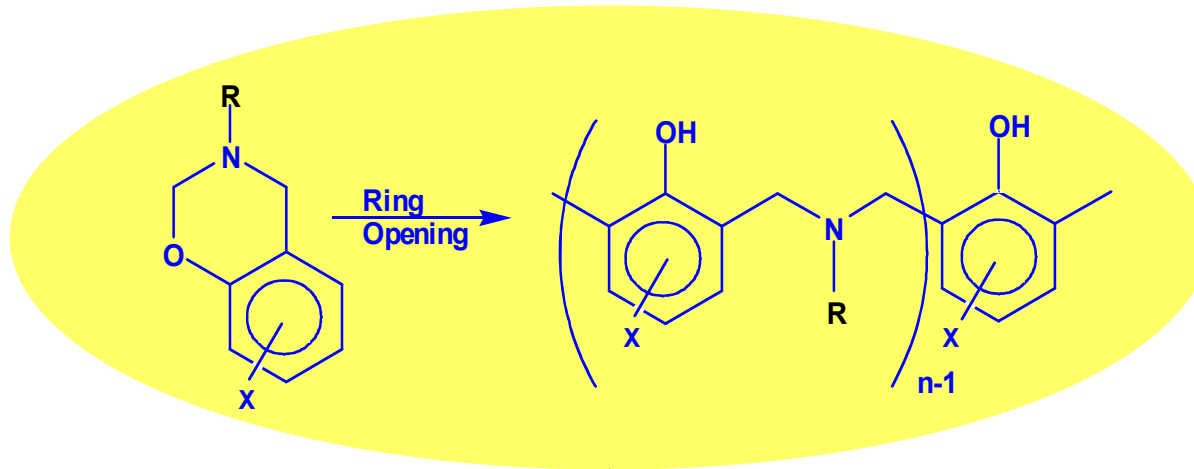


## Useful Properties

- High  $T_g$
- Good mechanical properties
- Excellent UV and chemical resistance

## Unusual Properties

- Low water absorption
- Low volumetric expansion on curing
- High modulus



Hydrogen-bonded network

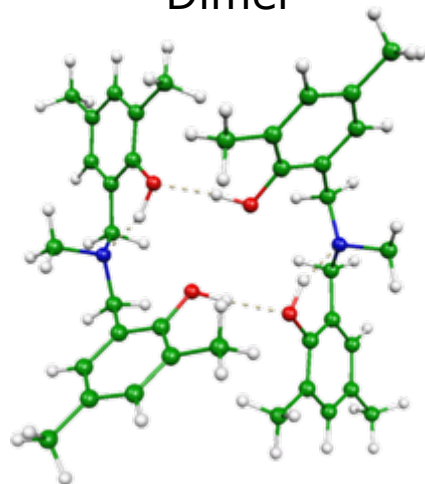
What is the nature of the network?



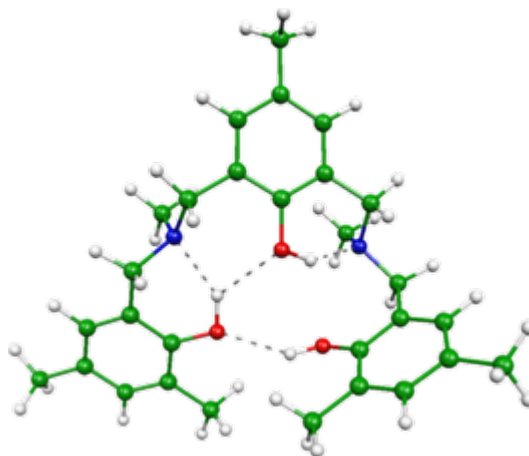
# Benzoxazine Oligomers Studied by $^1\text{H}$ DQ NMR



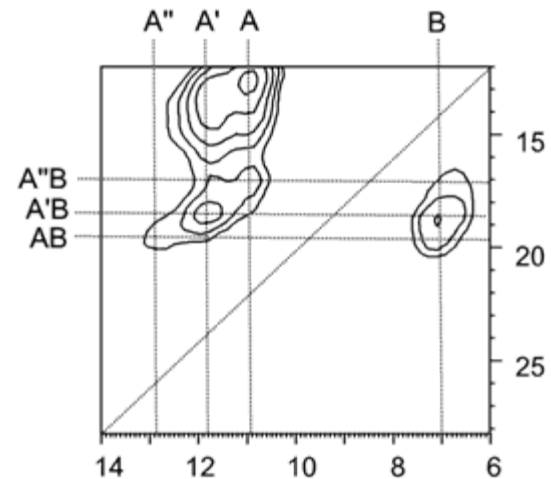
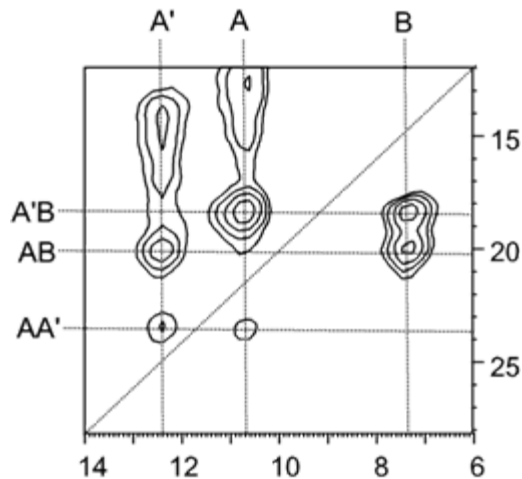
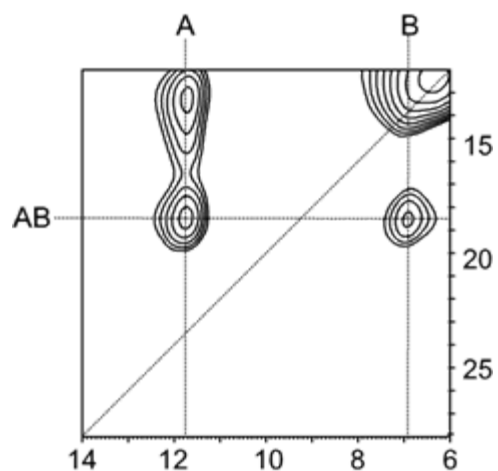
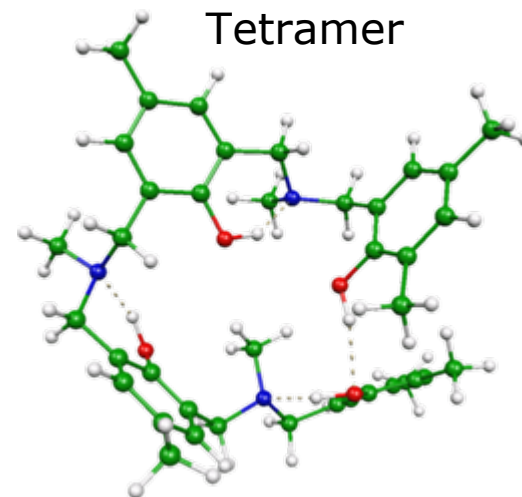
Dimer



Trimer

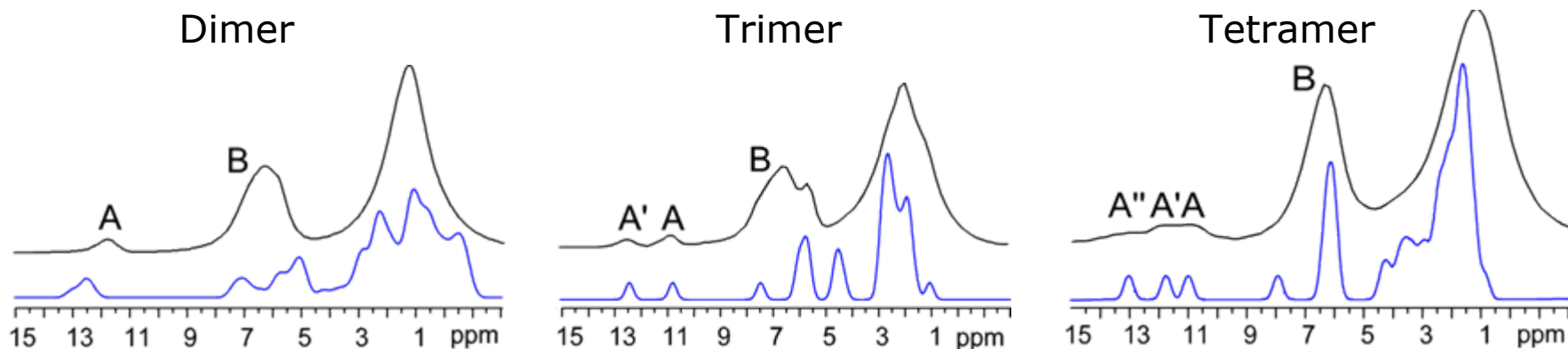


Tetramer



Changes in hydrogen bonding structure evident from changing  $^1\text{H}$  resonances and DQ contacts

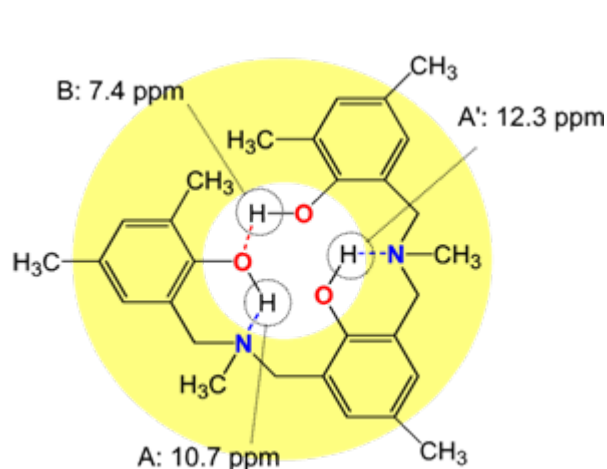
# Hydrogen Bonds Assigned *via* DFT-Based Chemical Shift Calculations



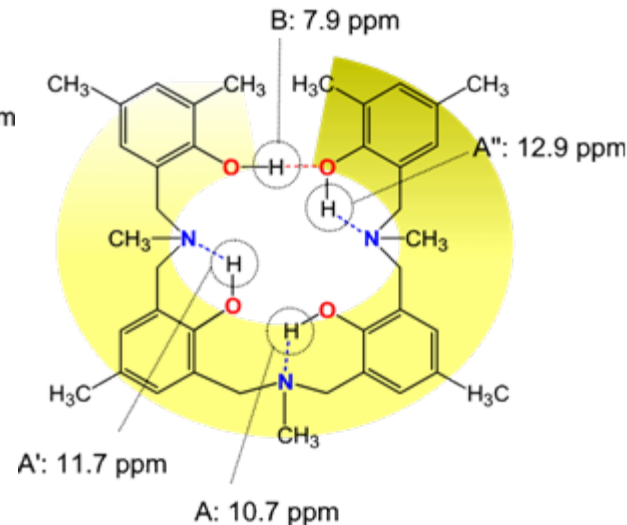
**Calculated** and **experimental**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra agree, particularly in hydrogen-bonding region.



*Isolated Dimer Pair - X-ray Structure*  
Intra:Inter = 1:1



*Trimer forms Planar Ring*  
Intra:Inter = 2:1



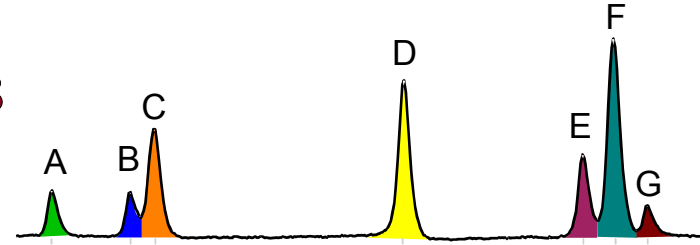
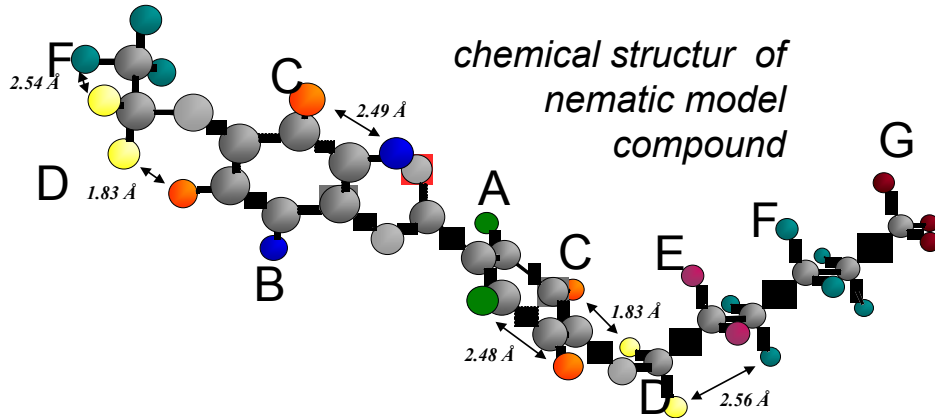
*Tetramer forms Overlapping Loop*  
Intra:Inter = 3:1

$^1\text{H}$  chemical shifts influenced by proximity to oxygen. Helical structure predicted for polymer.





# Order Parameter in Liquid Crystalline Phases



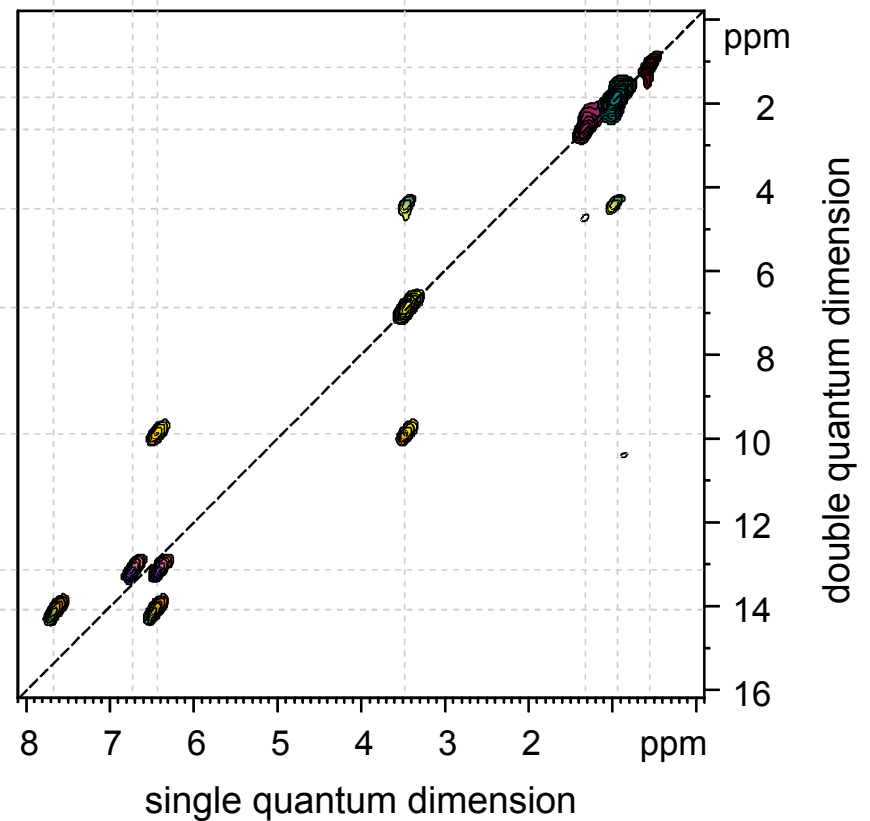
order parameter  $S_{ij}$ :

$$S_{ij} = \left\langle \frac{1}{2} (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1) \right\rangle$$

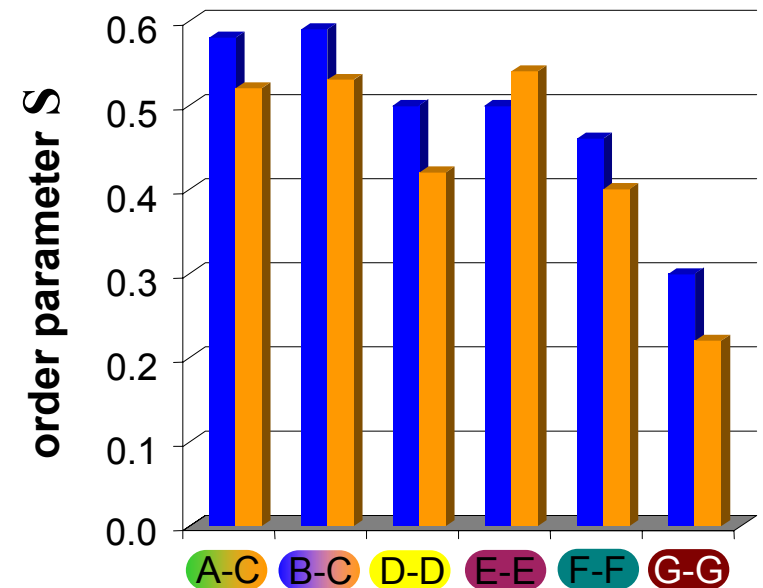
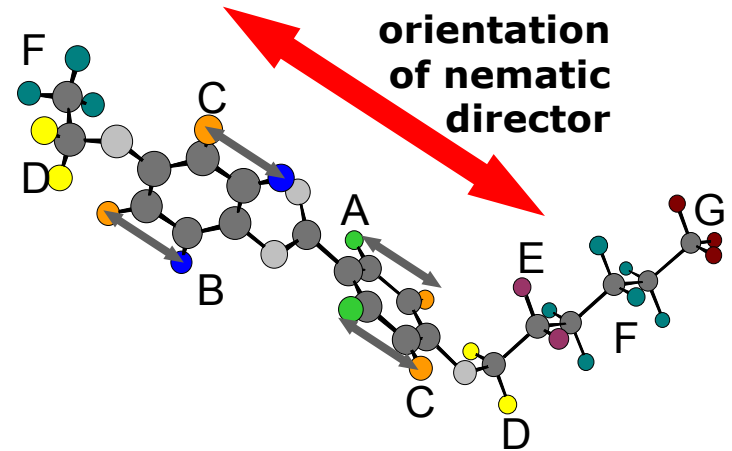
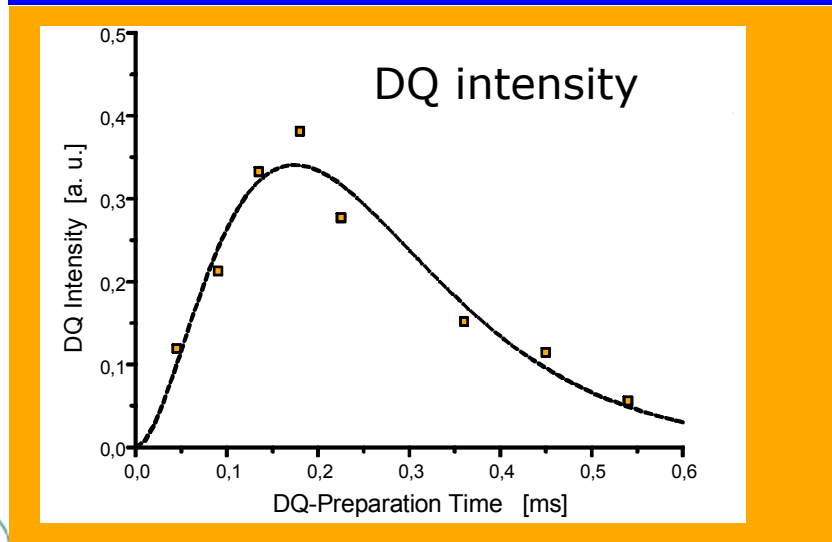
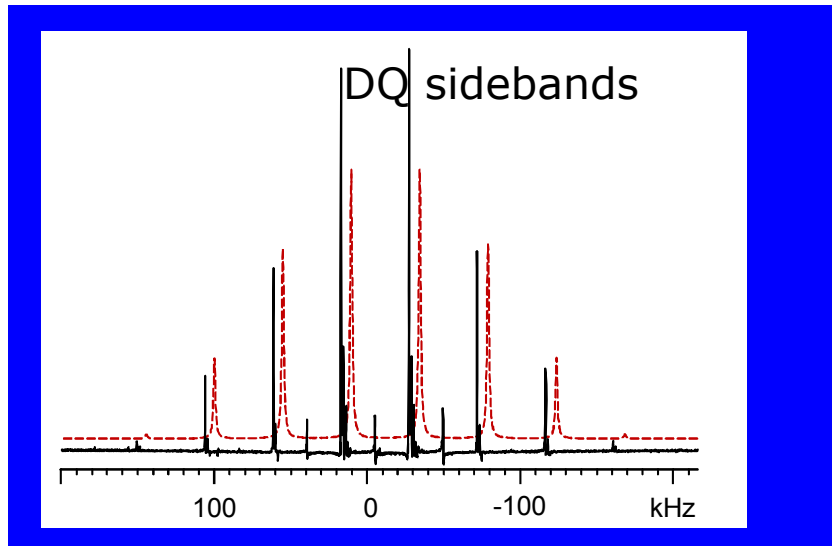


$$S_{ij} = \frac{\langle D_{ij, \text{eff}} \rangle}{D_{ij, \text{stat}}}$$

- G-G
- F-F
- E-E
- D-E
- D-D
- C-D
- B-C
- A-C



# Order Parameters in Liquid Crystalline Systems





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**Introduction** • Interaction in solid state NMR

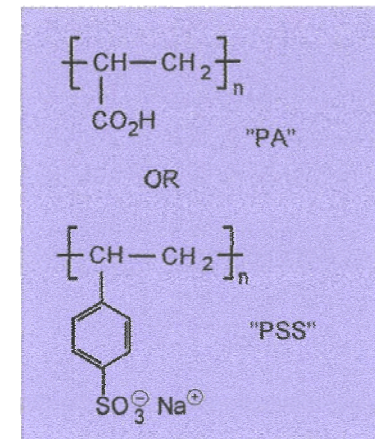
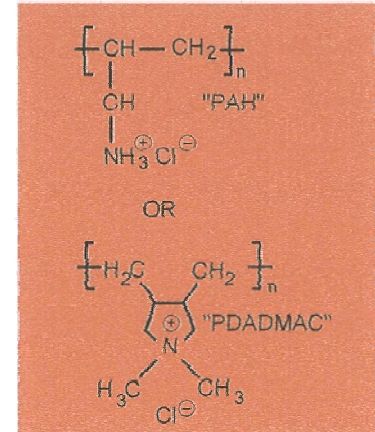
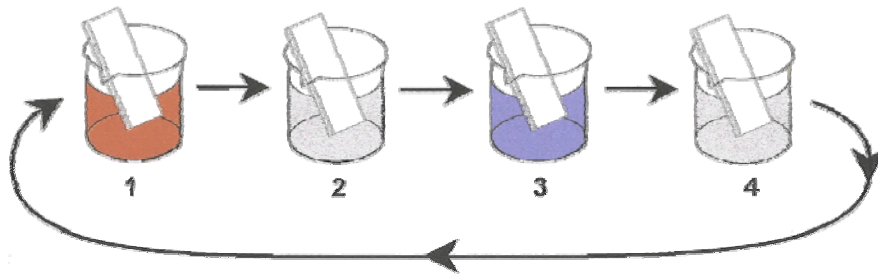
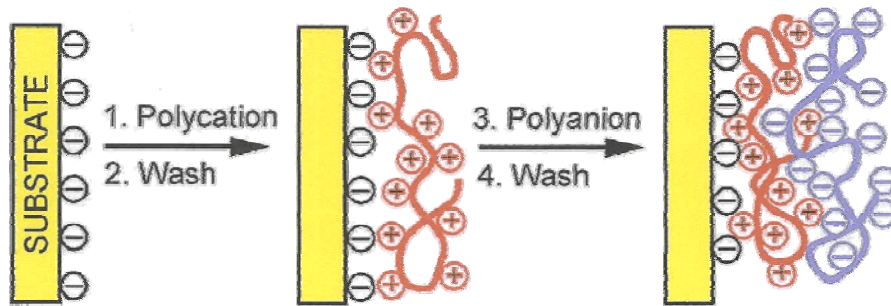
**Solid State NMR** • MAS, recoupling, double-quantum NMR

**Polymer Dynamics** • Polyelectrolyte multi layers, reptations-model, scaling laws in polymer dynamics, influence of rigid confinements, conformational stability in PEMA melts.

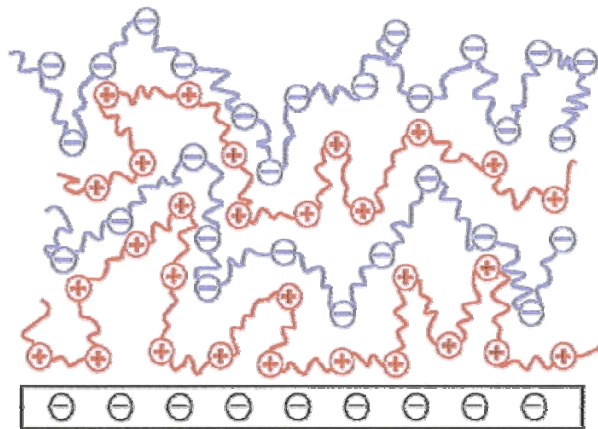
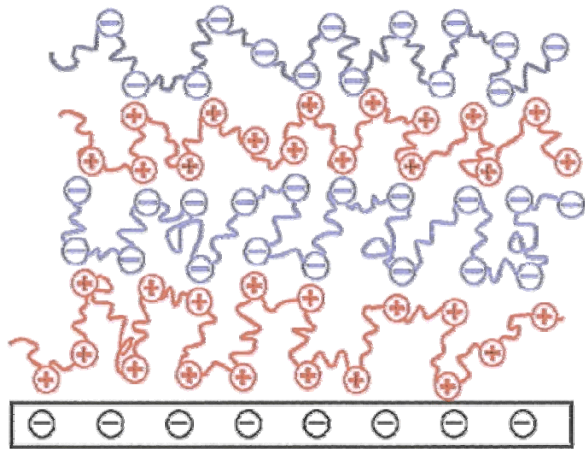
**Conclusions** • Pro and Contra Solid State NMR investigations



# Polyelectrolyte Multi-Layers

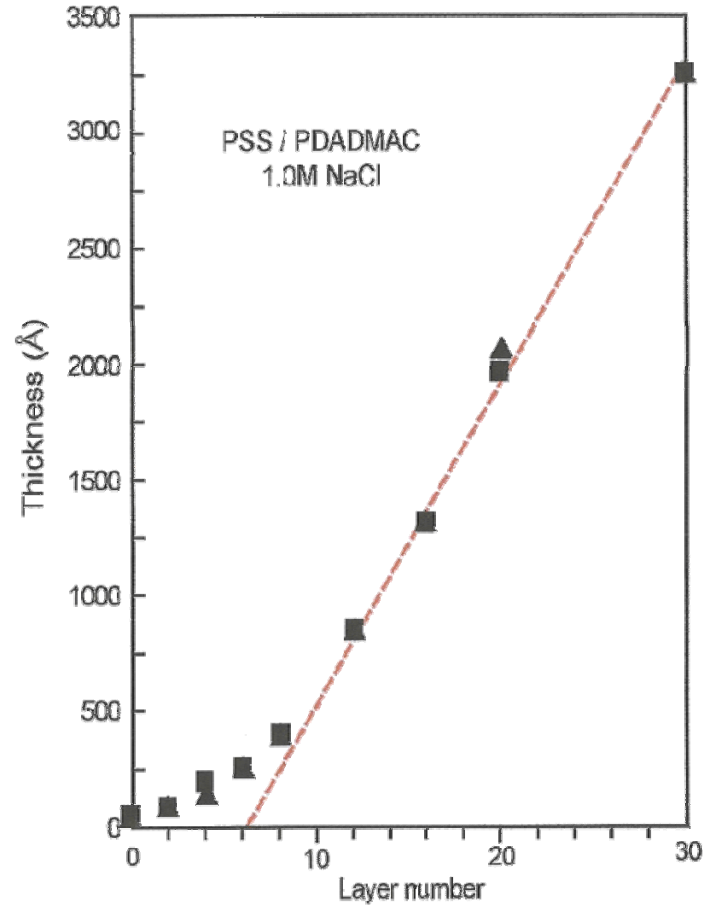


# Structure of Polyelectrolyte Layers



interdigitated but still stratified chains

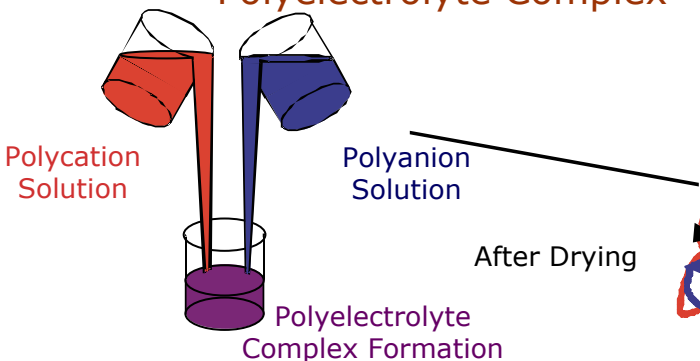
Observed Film Growth ( Ellipsometry)



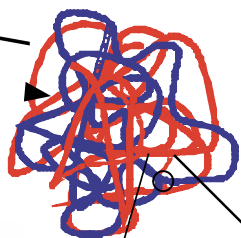
# DQ NMR Investigation of Structure: PEM vs. PEC



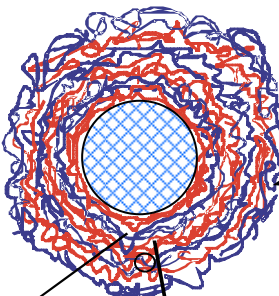
## Polyelectrolyte Complex



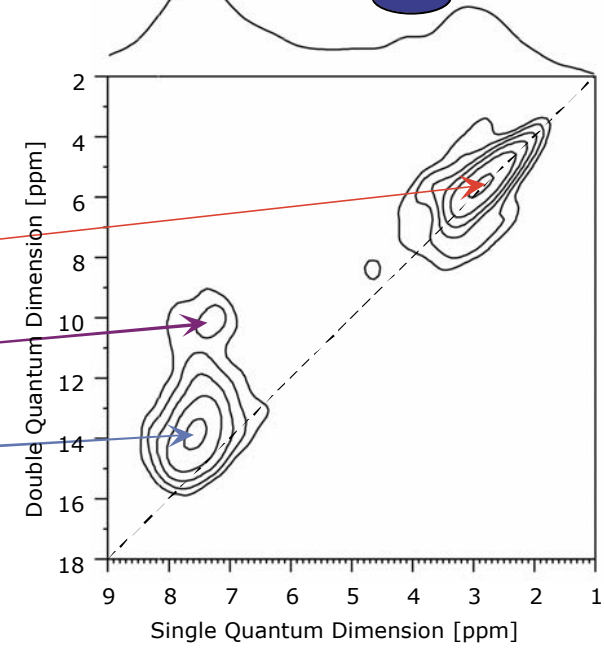
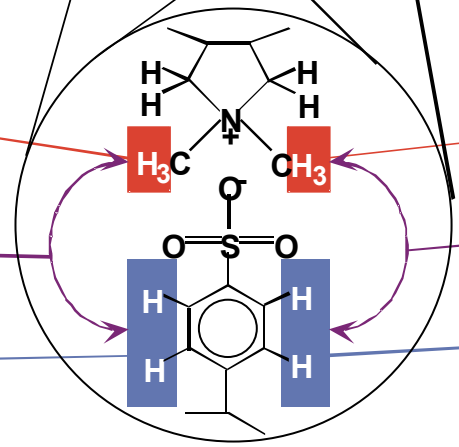
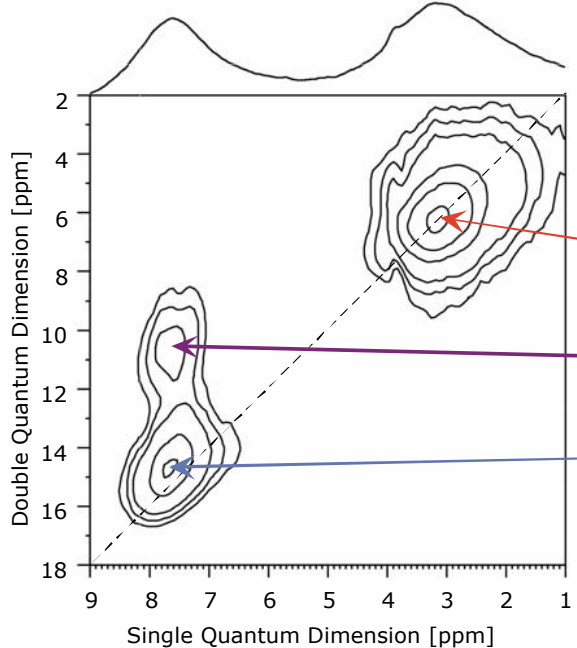
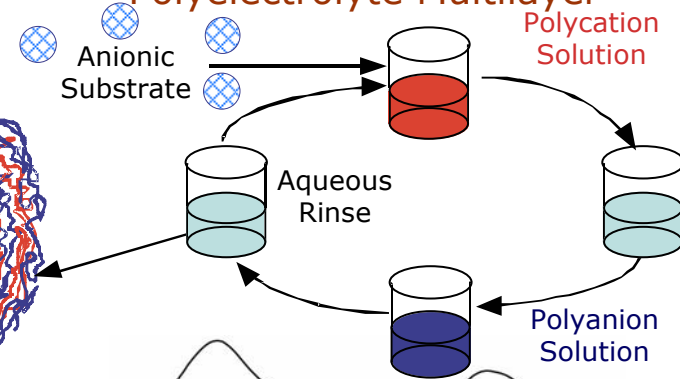
After Drying



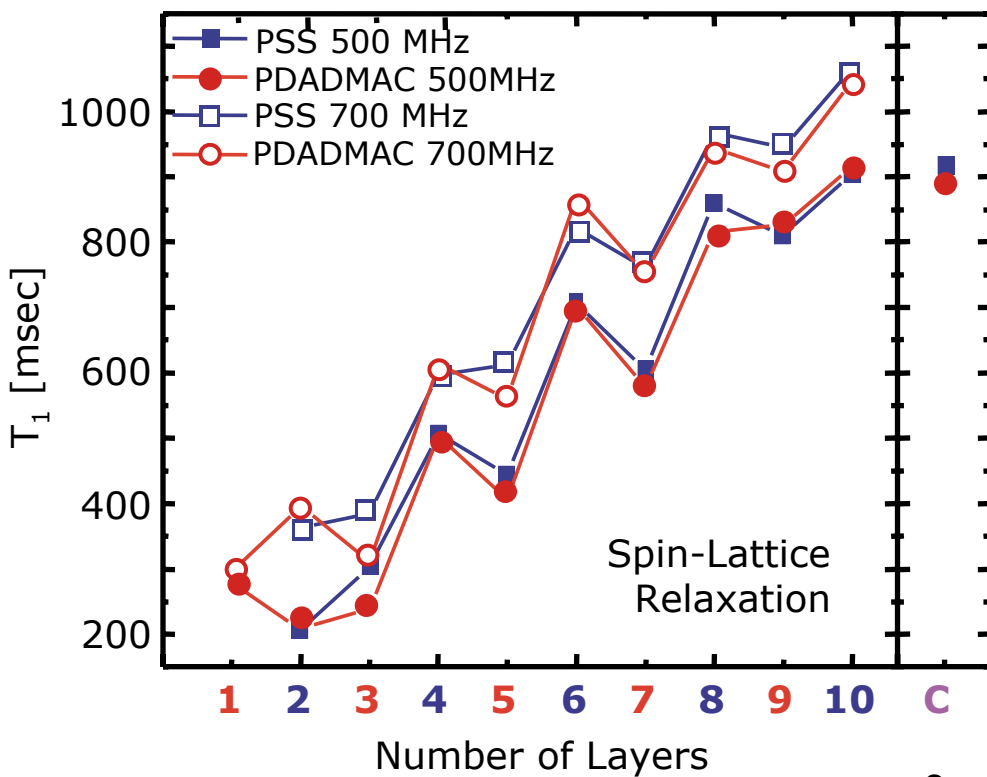
After 3 cycles



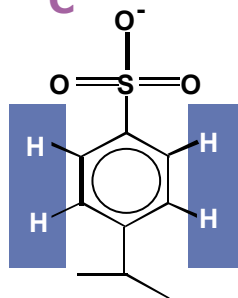
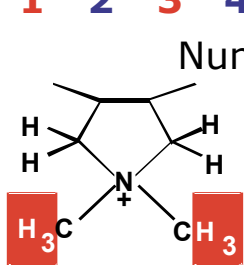
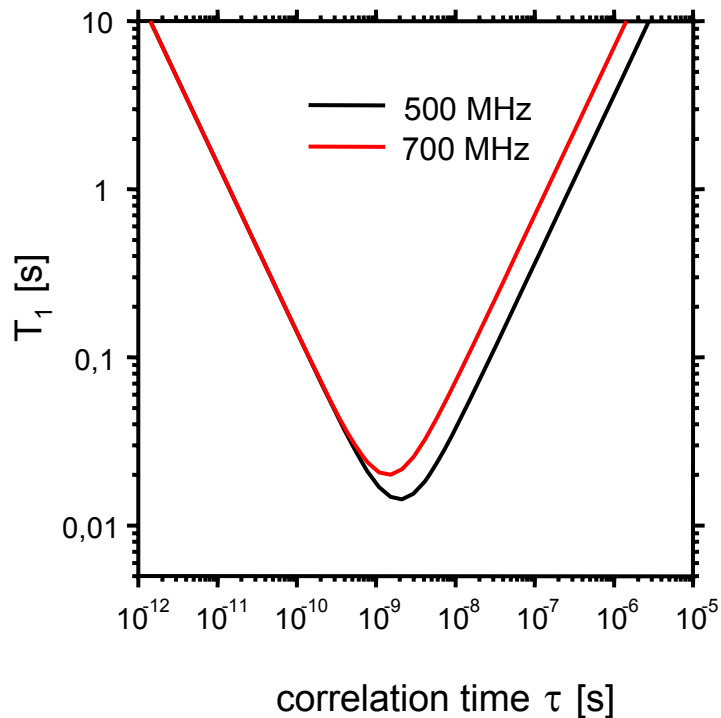
## Polyelectrolyte Multilayer



# Molecular Dynamics in Polyelectrolyte Multi Layers

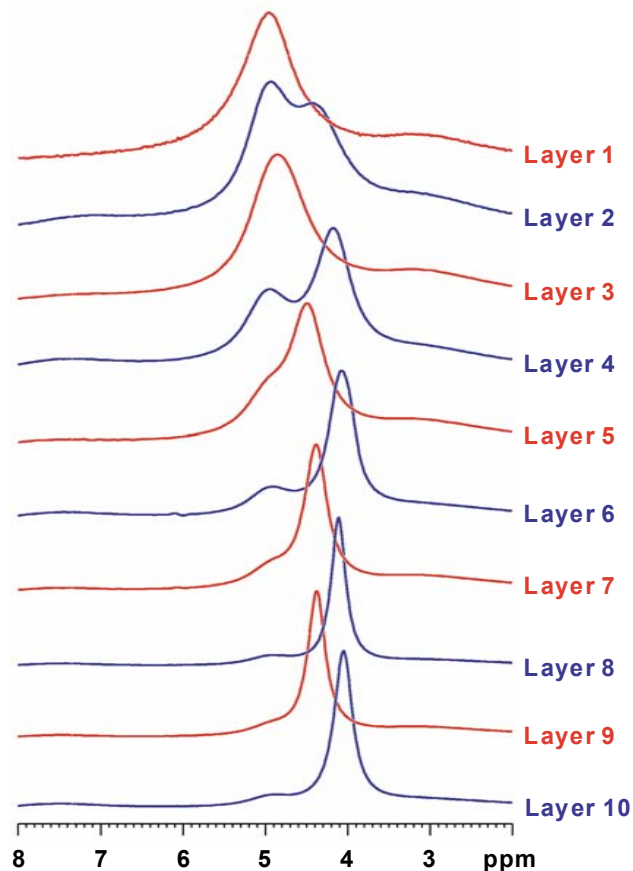


theoretical  $T_1$  relaxation behavior:

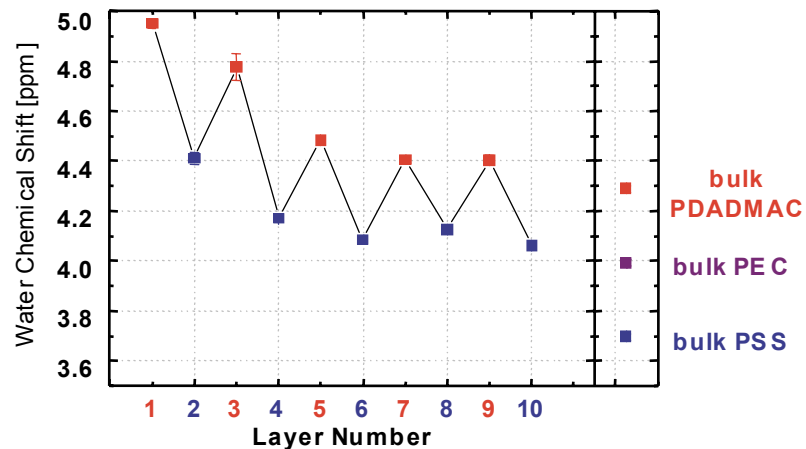
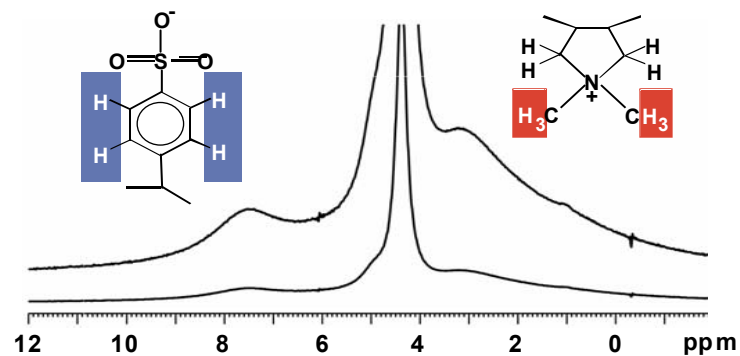




# Localization of Water in Polyelectrolyte Multilayers



$^1\text{H}$  MAS NMR Spectra



$^1\text{H}$  Chemical Shift



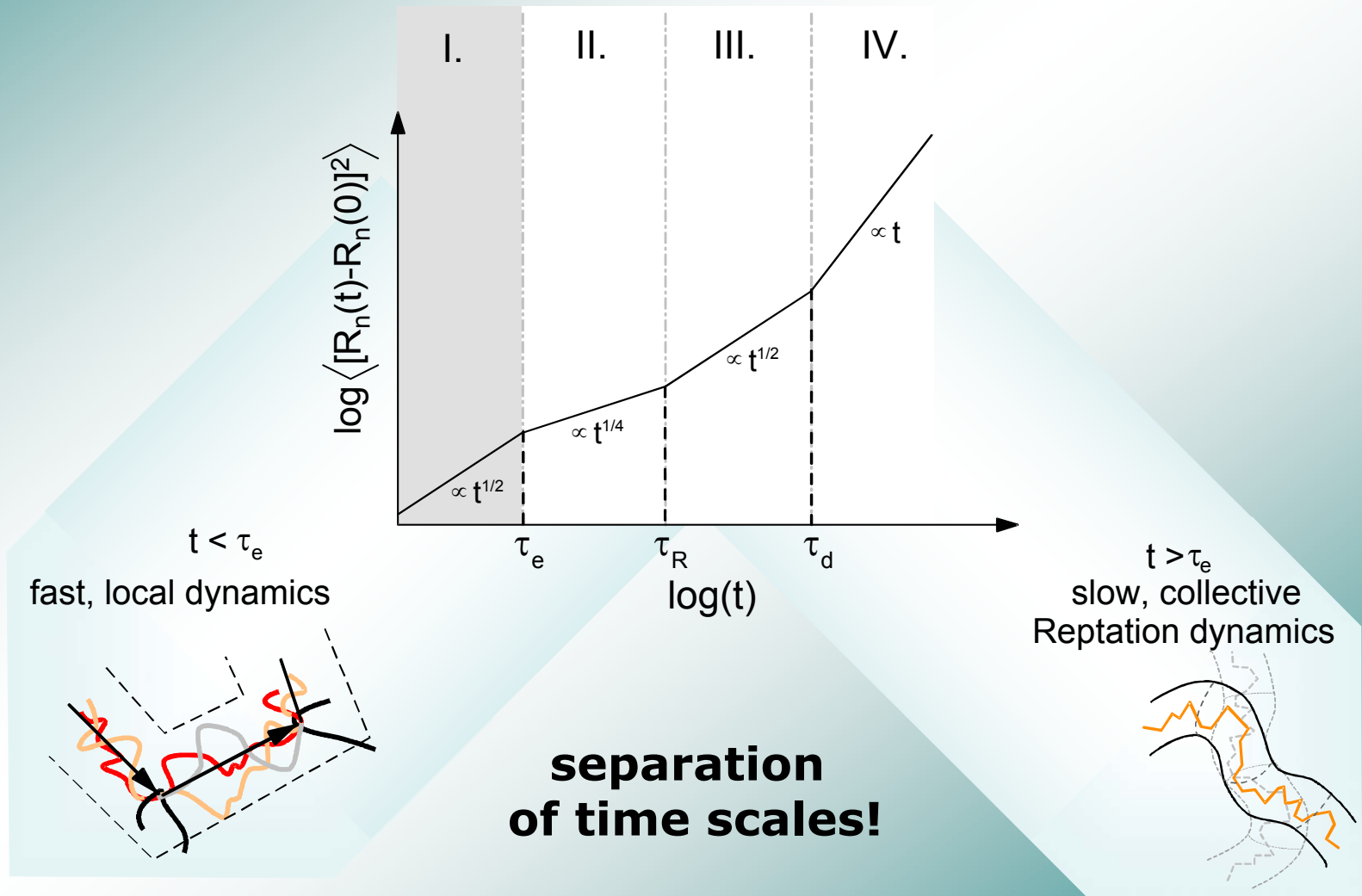
M. McCormick et al., *Macromolecules* **36**, 3616 (2003).

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# Length- and Time Scales in Polymer Dynamics



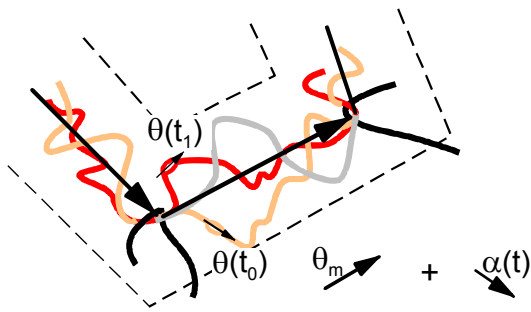
dynamic regimes of the Reptation model :



# DQ Measurements of Dynamics on Different Time Scales



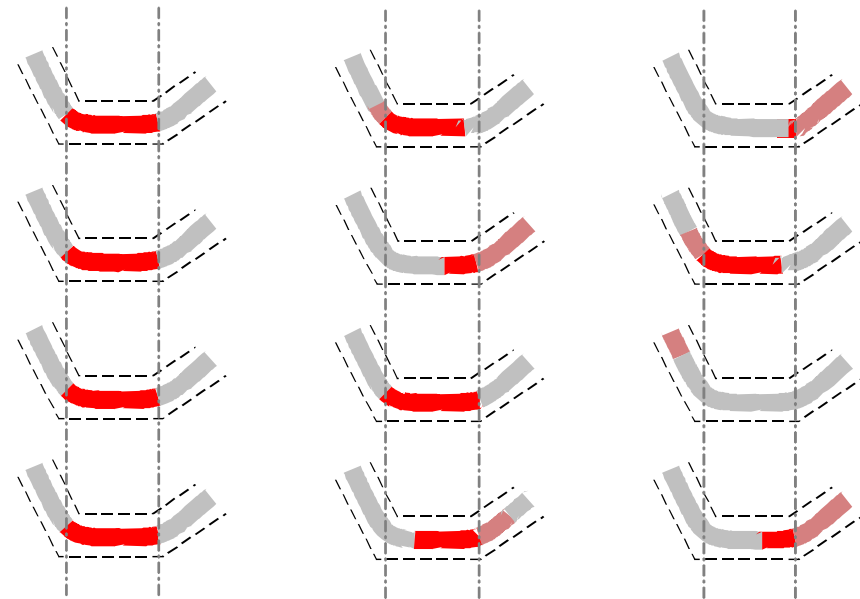
$$I_{DQ} \propto \left\langle \int_0^t dt' \int_{t+t_1}^{2t+t_1} dt'' \left\langle D_{ij,eff} \right\rangle^2 \cdot d_{2,-m}^{(2)}(t') d_{2,m}^{(2)}(t'') \right\rangle$$



$t = 0$

$t \approx \tau_e$

$t > \tau_e$



local order parameter :

$$S_{ij} = \langle D_{ij,eff} \rangle / D_{ij}$$

static systems :

$$S_{ij}(t) = 1$$

isotropic motion :

$$S_{ij}(t) = 0$$

polymer network theory :

$$S \approx \frac{3}{5} N_e^{-1}$$



Polybutadien :

$$S \approx \frac{3}{5} \frac{M_{Kuhn}}{M_e} \approx 0.03$$

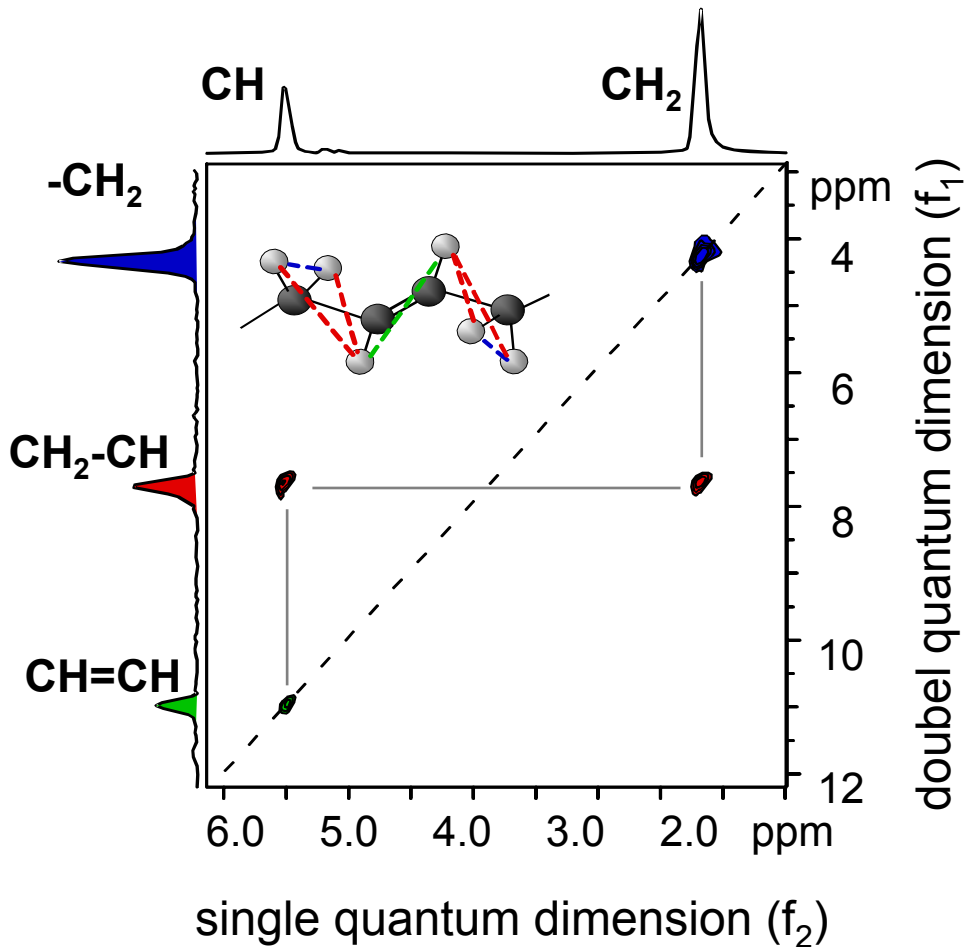
$\left\langle d_{2,-m}^{(2)}(t'_{exc.}) \cdot d_{2,m}^{(2)}(t''_{rec.}) \right\rangle_t$  corresponds to

**return-to-origin** probability  $C(t)$

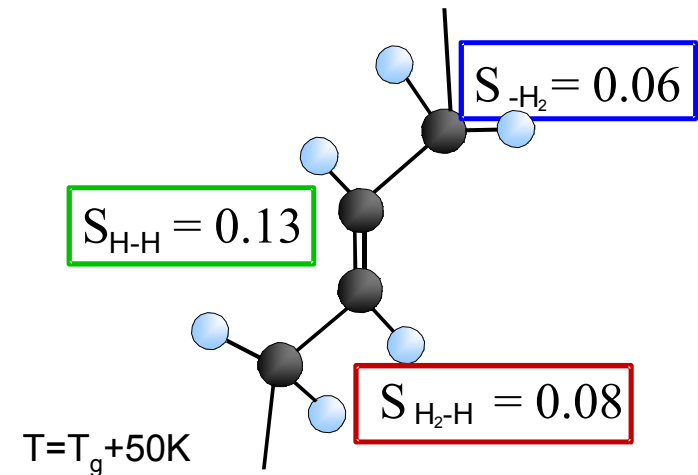
# Local Order Parameters in 1,4 Polybutadien Melts



$^1\text{H}$  double quantum NMR spectrum



Dynamic order parameter  $S$   
via residual dipolar couplings



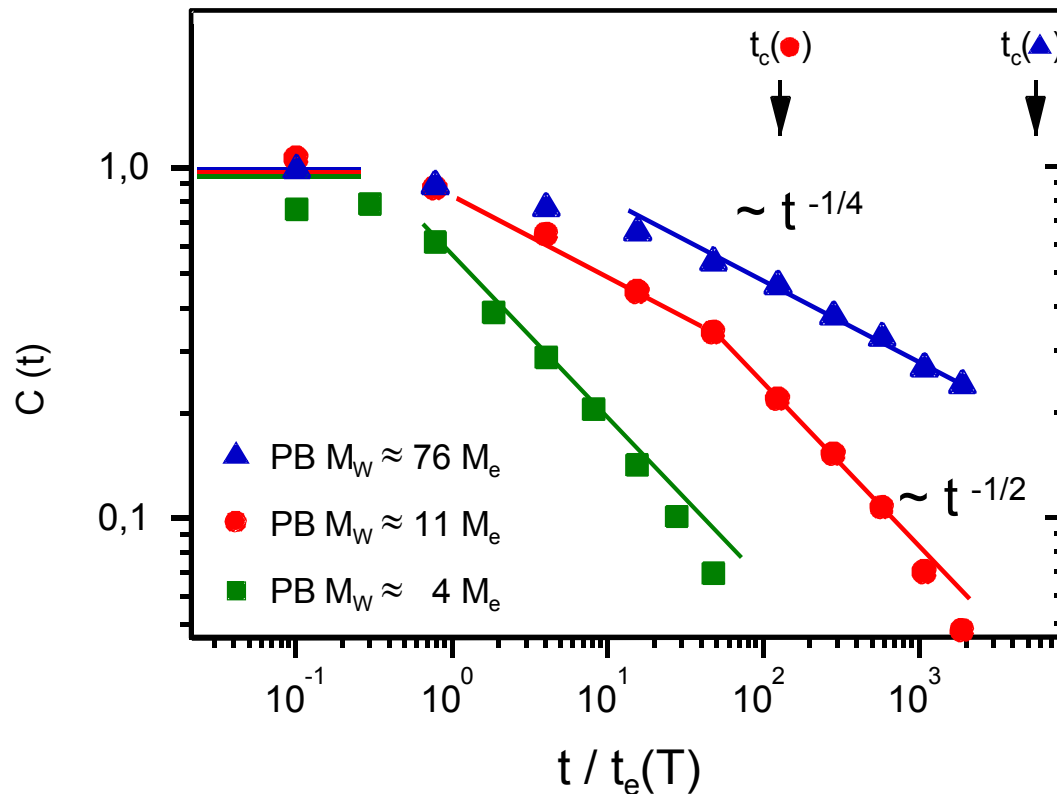
$$\Rightarrow S_{\text{C}=\text{C}} = 0.20 \pm 0.05$$



# Time Dependence of Local Order Parameter



double-quantum filtered experiments on 1,4 poly-butadien

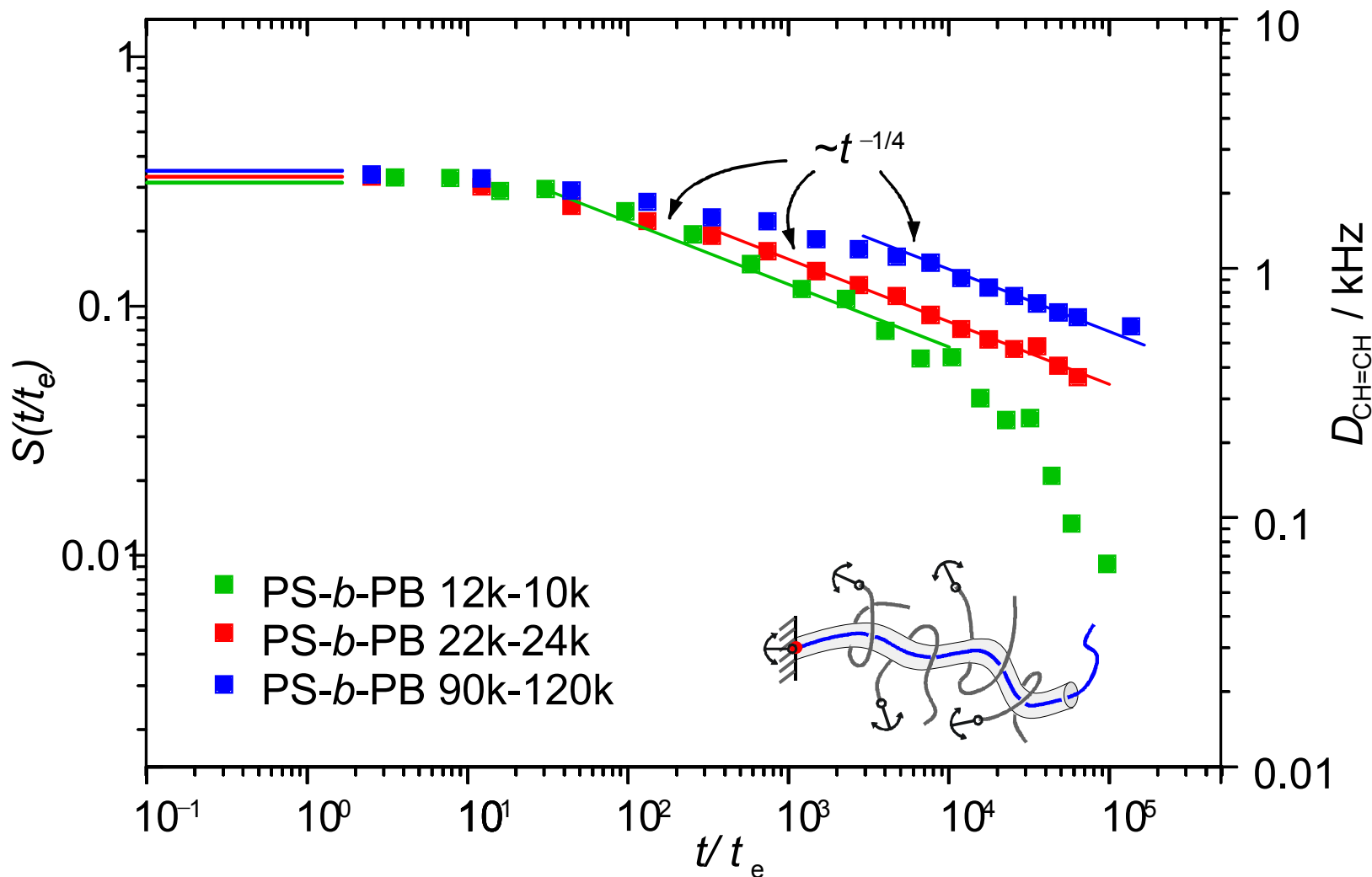


Reptation-model predicts two scaling laws:

$$S \sim t^{-1/4} \quad \text{and} \quad S \sim t^{-1/2}$$

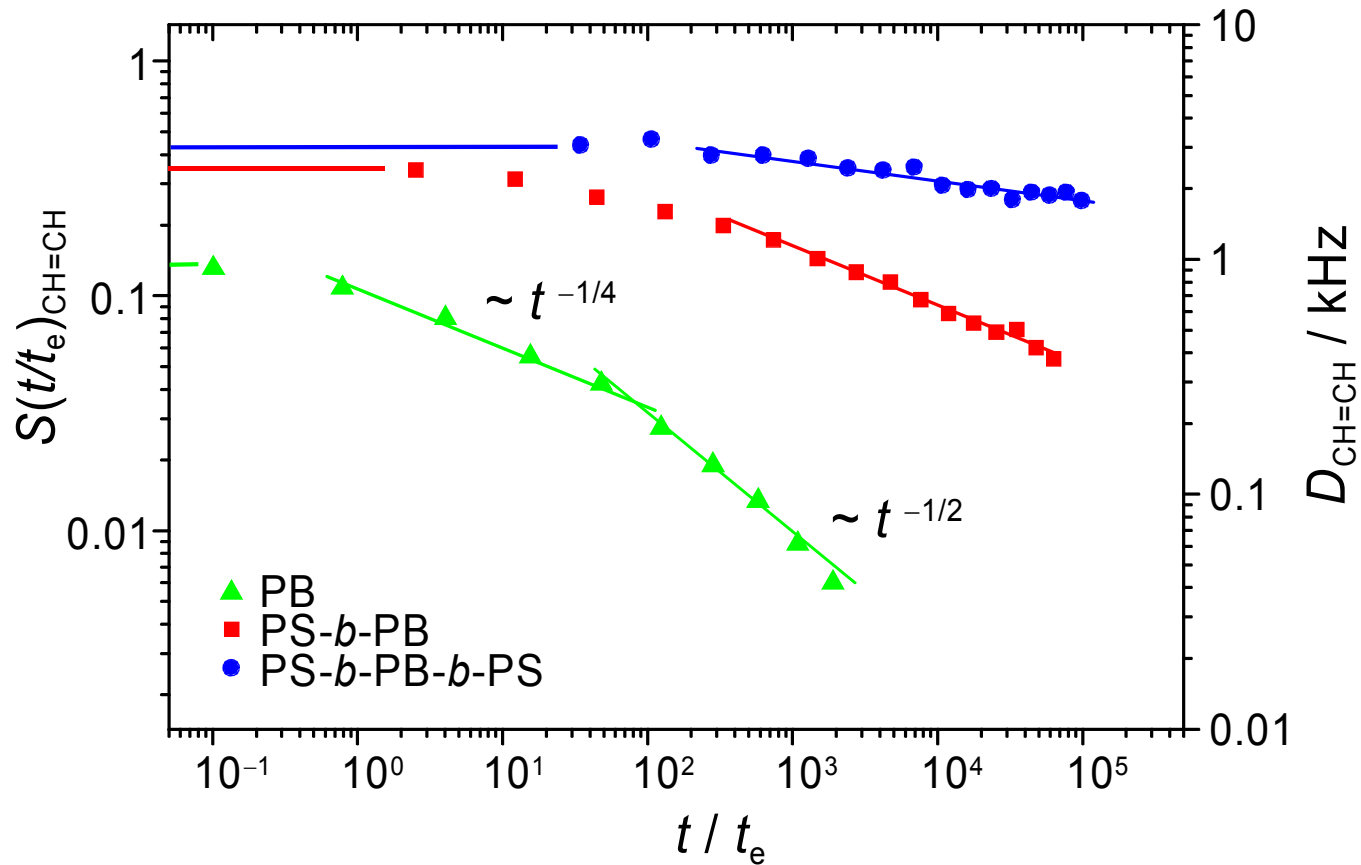


# Molecular Weight Dependent Dynamics of PB Melts in PS-PB

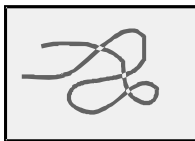


Tethering a PB chain end to a rigid PS block stabilizes the  $t^{-1/4}$ -regime

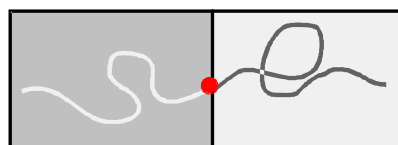
# Influence of Rigid Confinements on Polymer Dynamics



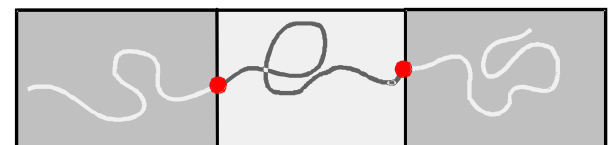
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PS-*b*-PB

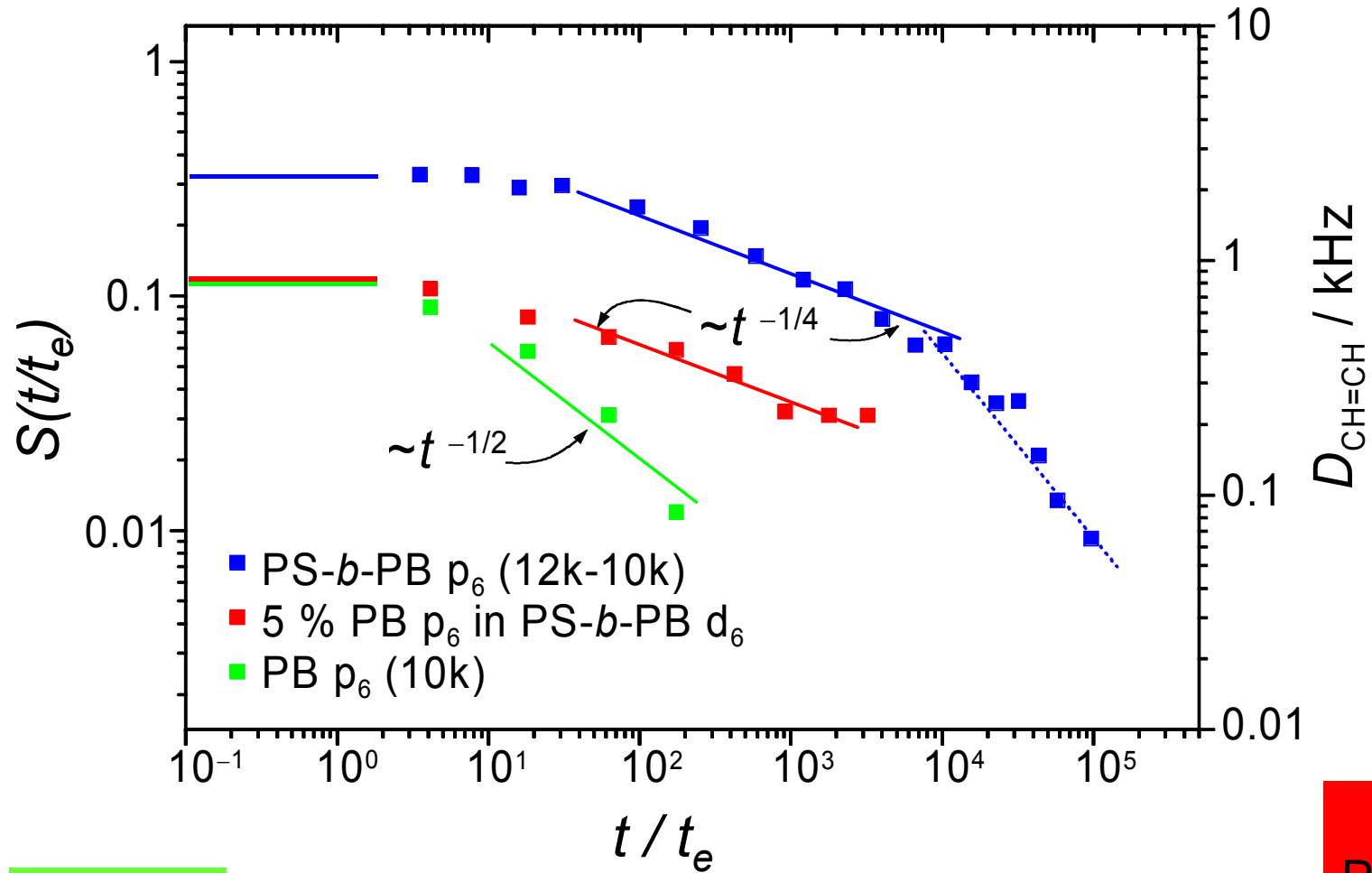


PS-*b*-PB-*b*-PS

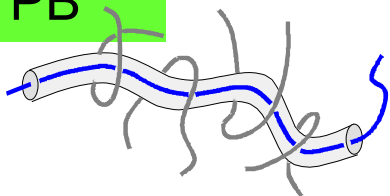




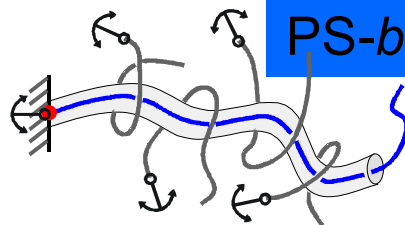
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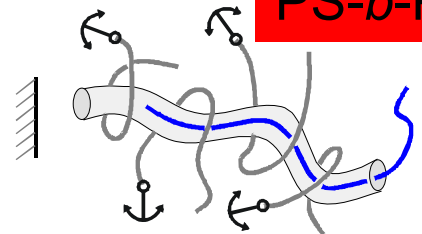
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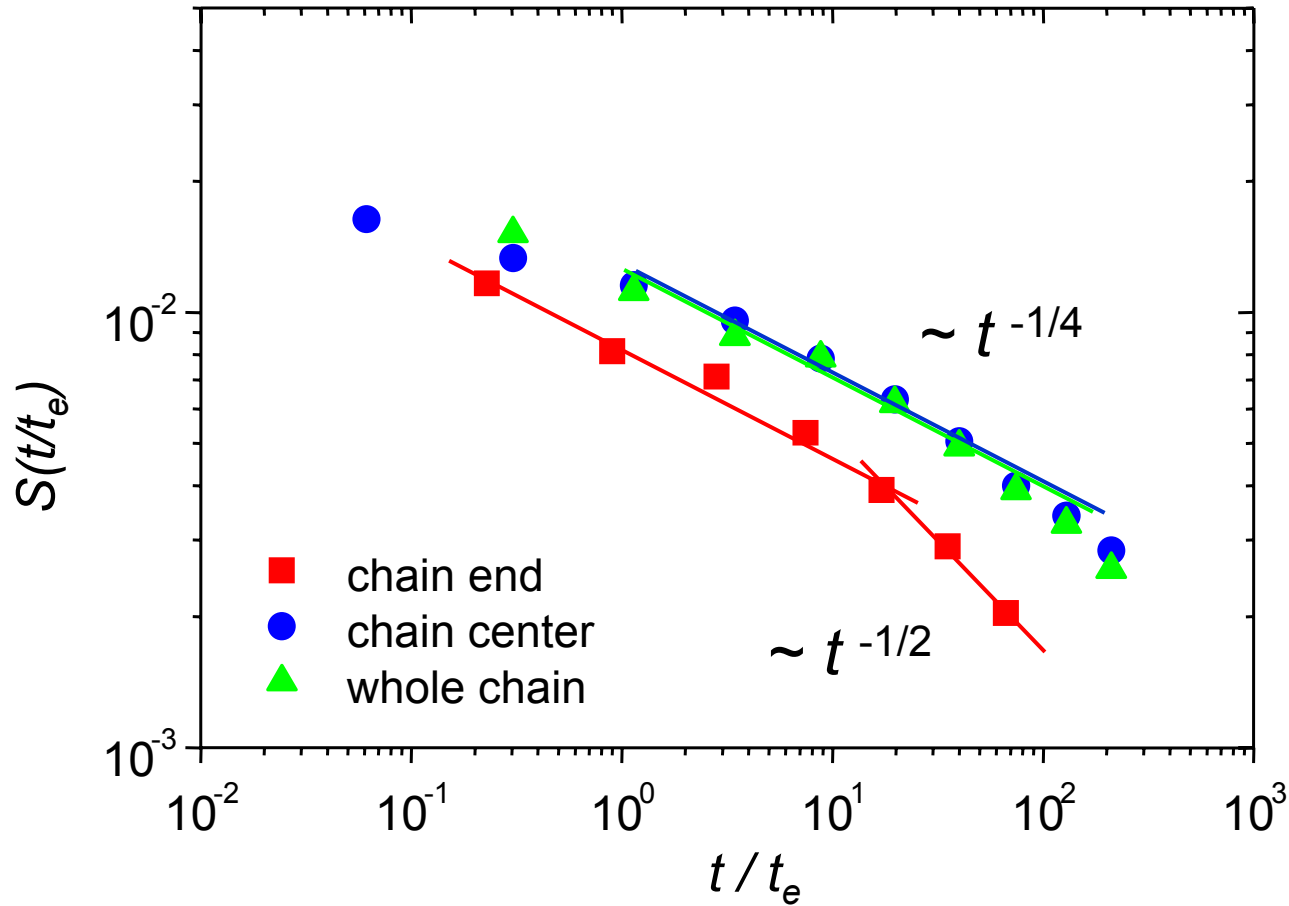
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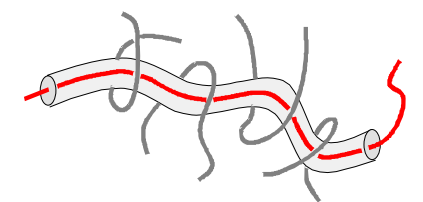
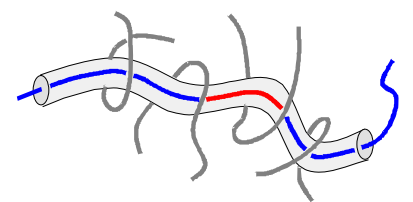
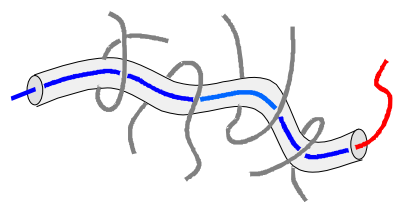
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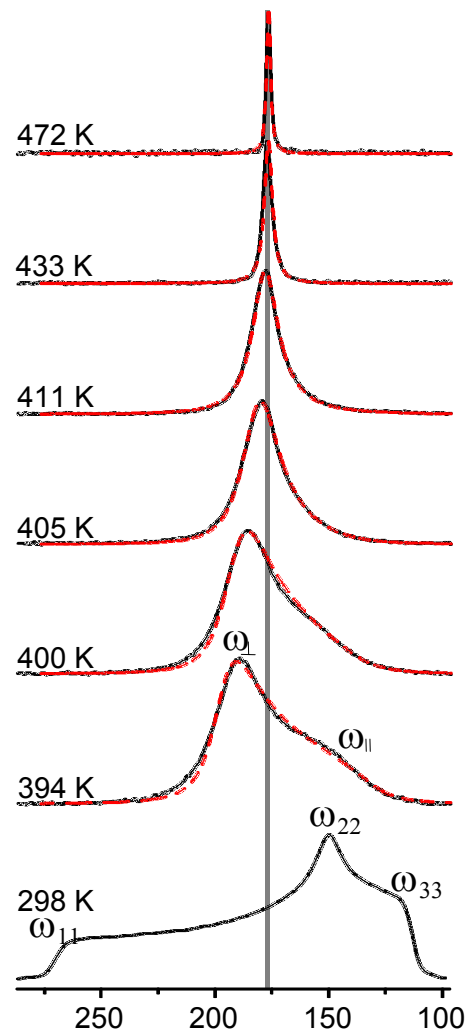
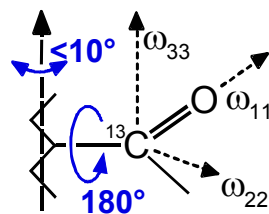
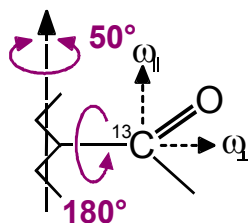
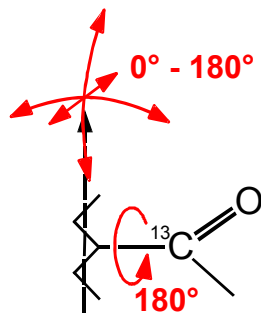
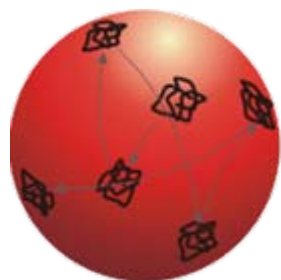
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# $\alpha$ -PEMA: Isotropisation of Chain Dynamics



1D  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR: — experiment  
 - - - simulation

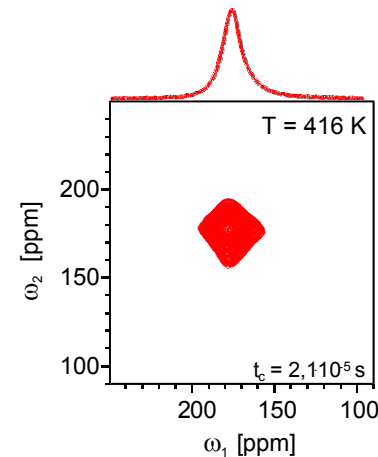
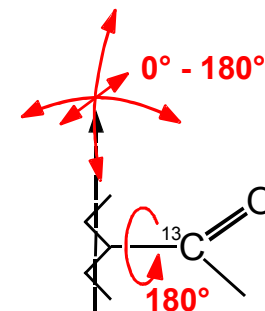
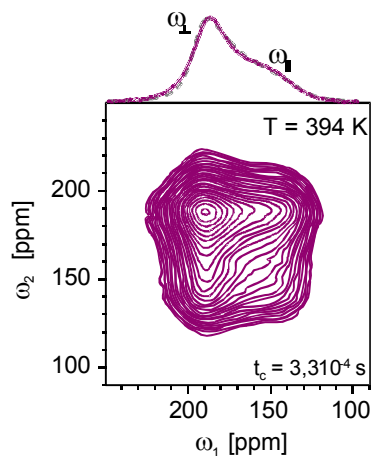
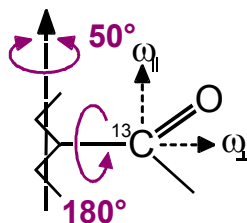
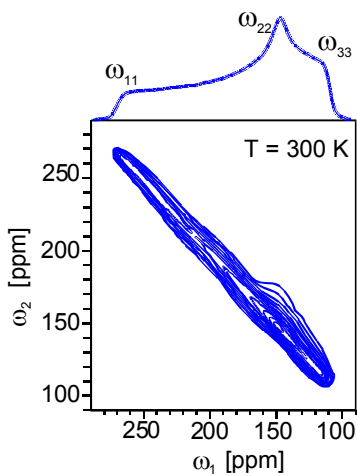
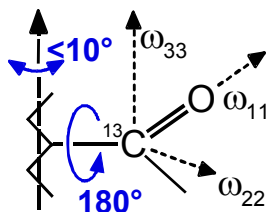
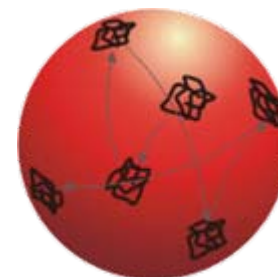
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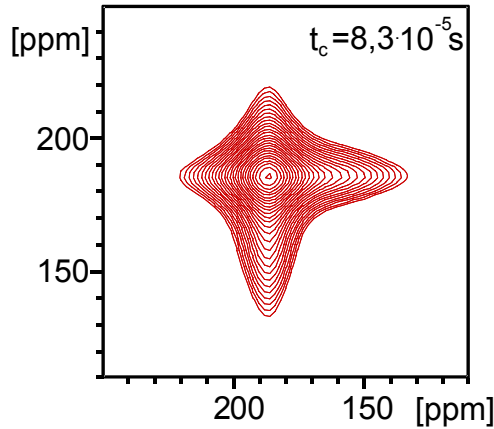
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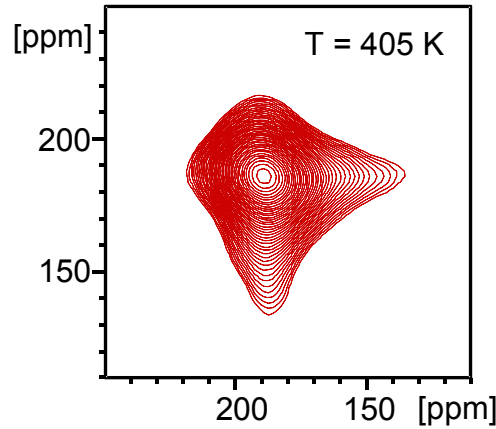
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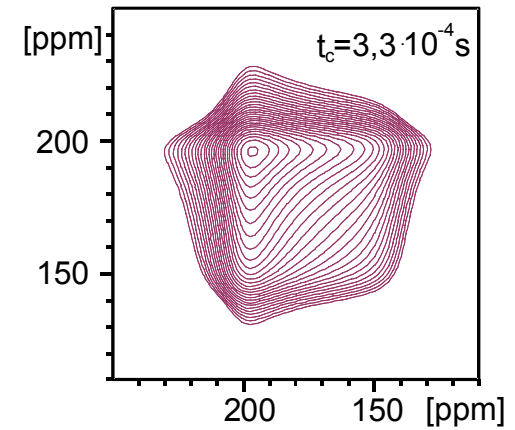
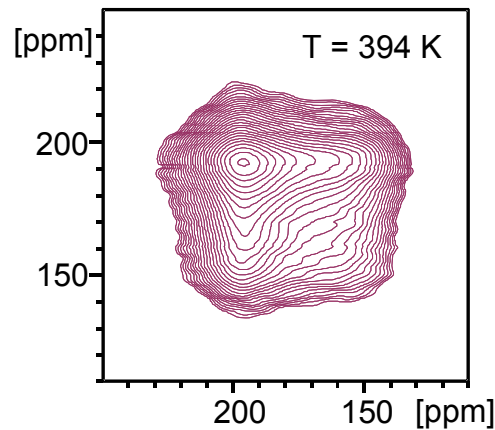
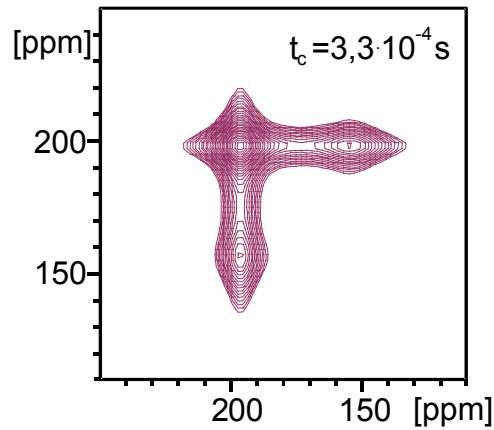
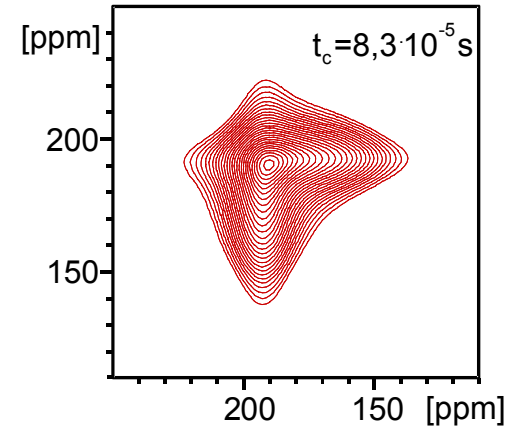
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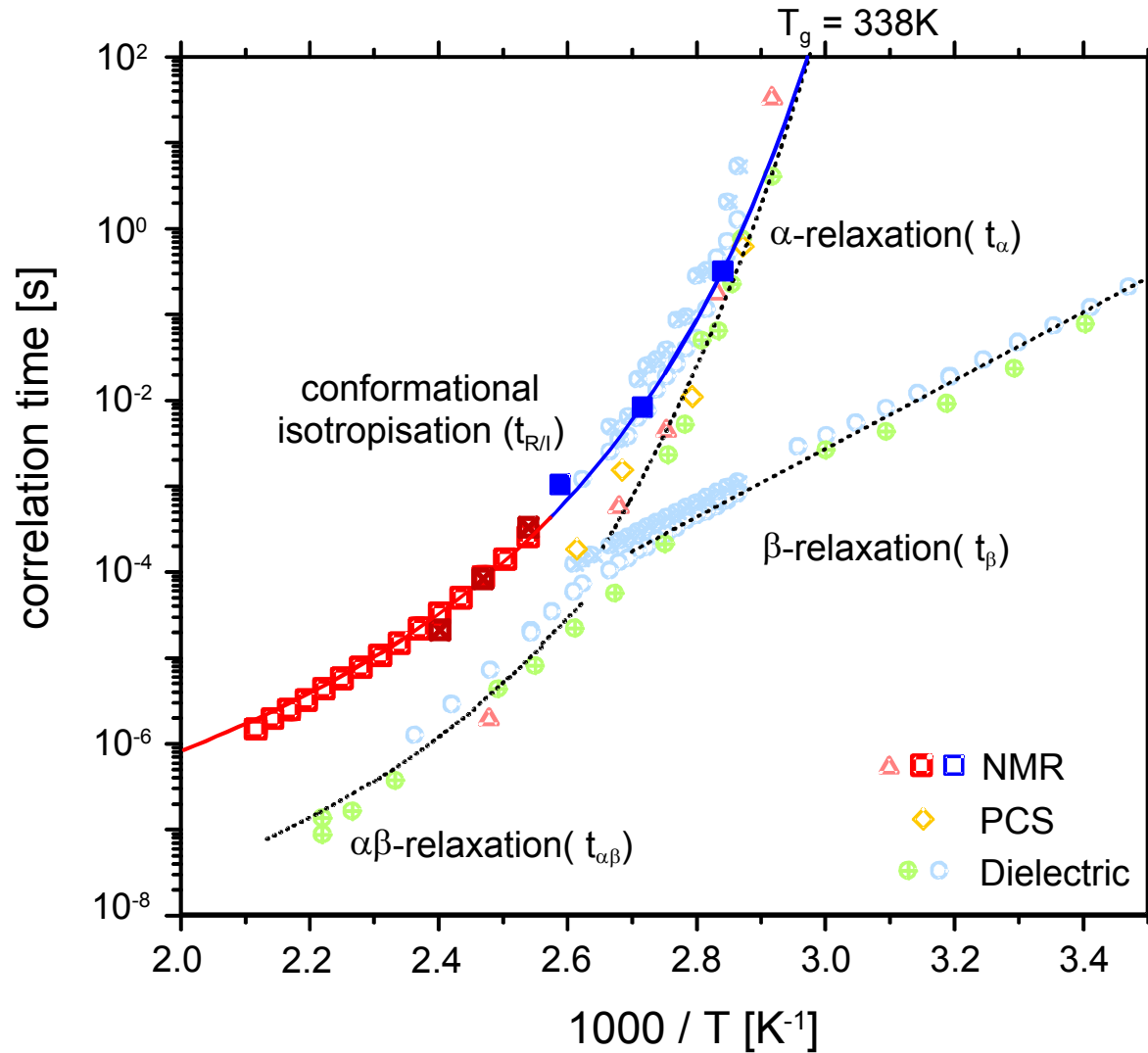
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random jump



# Time Scales of Molecular Dynamics PEMA Melts



Arrhenius-diagram of dynamic processes in PEMA

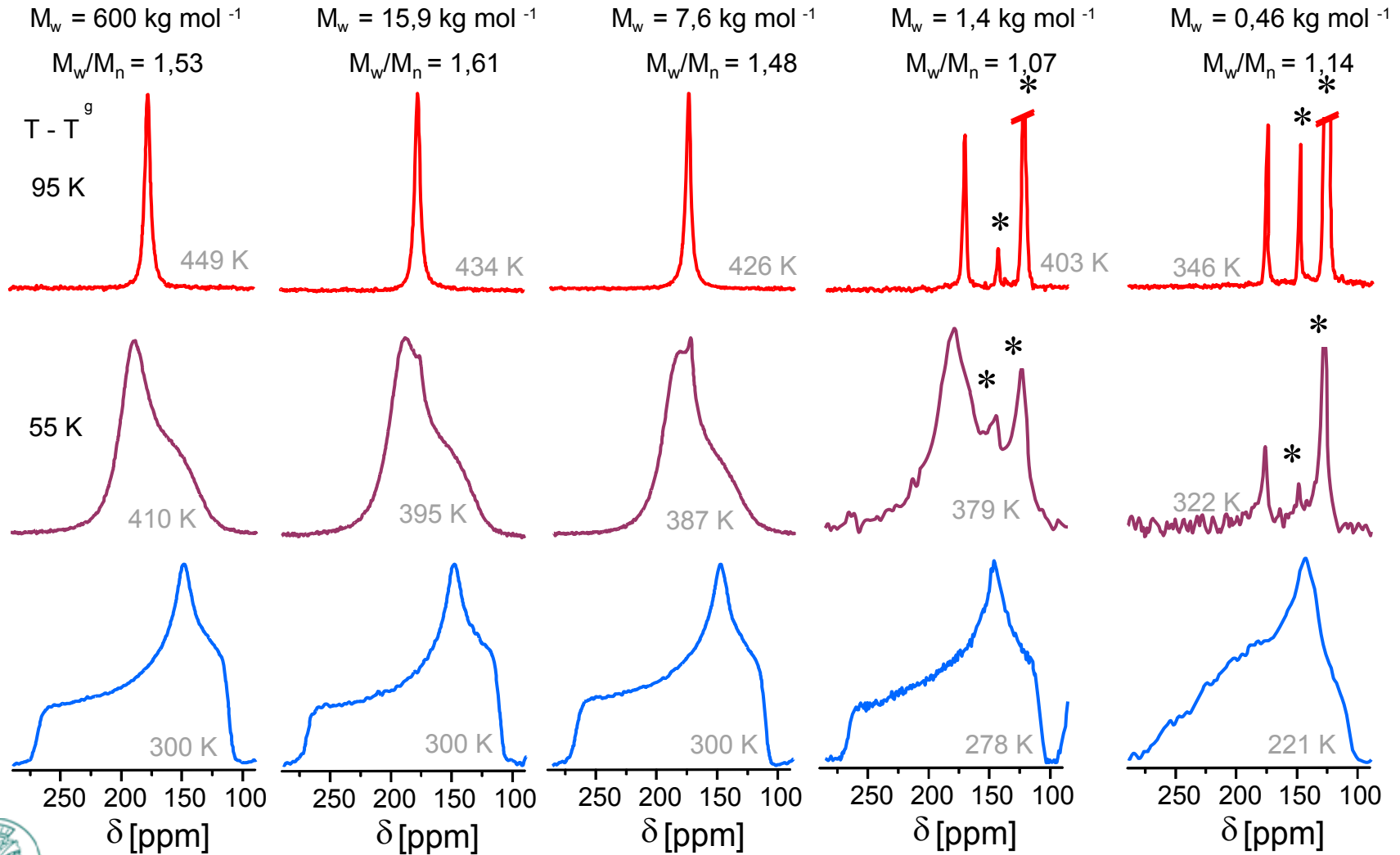


# Length Scale of Isotropisation Process

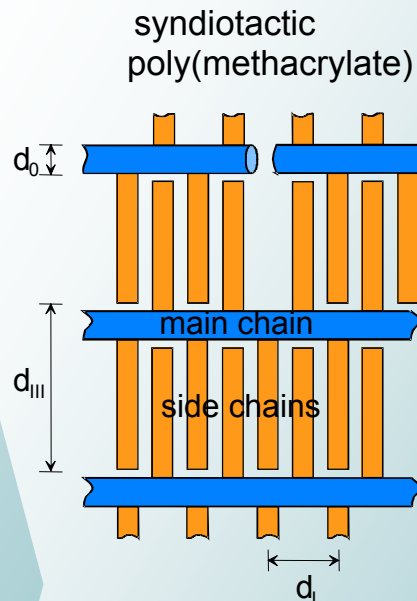
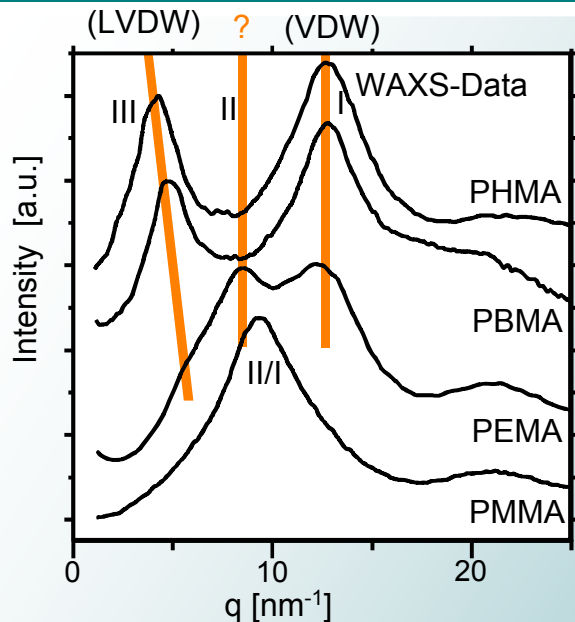


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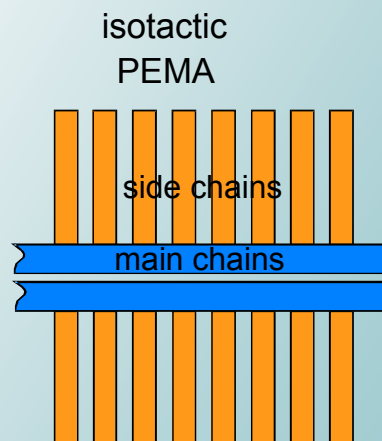
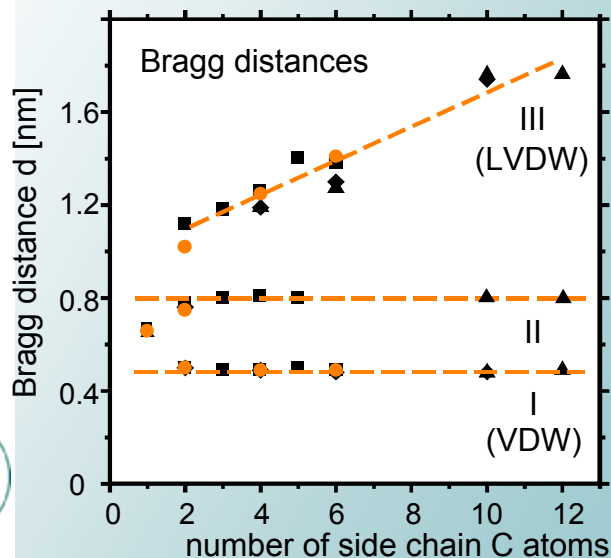
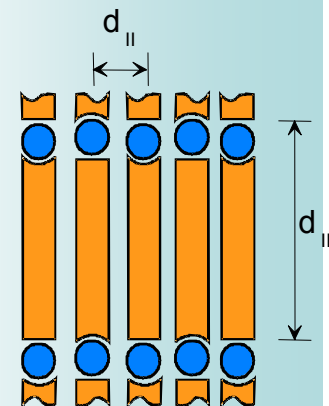


# Organisation in Poly(Methacrylats): WAXS



extrapolated  
lokal struktur:

**"Nano Layers"**







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# Investigation of Structure and Dynamics in Polymeric Systems via Solid State NMR

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**Introduction** • Interaction in solid state NMR

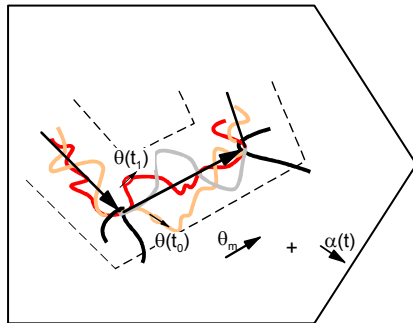
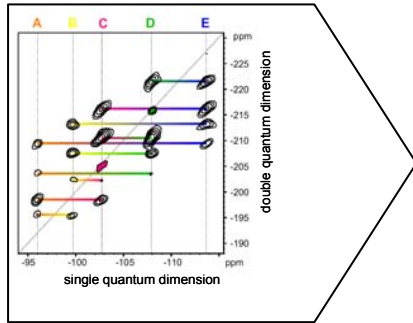
**Solid State NMR** • MAS, recoupling, double-quantum NMR

**Polymer Dynamics** • polyelectrolyte layers, polybutadiene, PEMA

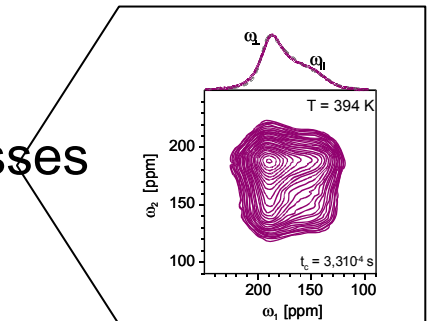
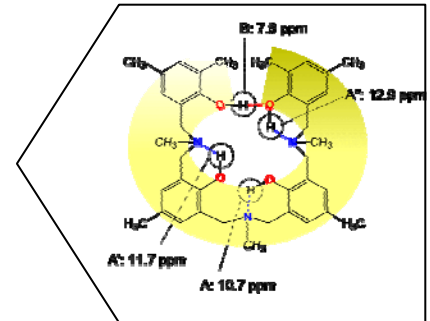
**Conclusions** • solid state NMR investigations



# Pro and Contra of Solid State NMR Investigation



- + elucidation local structures in partially disordered systems
- + supra-molecular structures in hydrogen bonded systems
- + local molecular dynamics
- + correlation of dynamic processes and chemical structure



- needs expertise
- expensive
- ...



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