

be fit to a single exponential, suggests several relaxation processes. Fits to a two-exponential model (eq 4) are

$$d_{33} = Ae^{-t/\tau_1} + Be^{-t/\tau_2} \quad (4)$$

shown in Figure 3. For the annealed sample, approximate half-lives for short-term and long-term decay are 1.5 and 195 days, respectively. We find that the amplitude of the short-term process is more sensitive to the presence of THF and can be greatly diminished by annealing. This argues that the short-term process involves facile chromophore reorientation in THF-rich (high local free volume) microenvironments. Preliminary experiments also indicate that the long-term decay rate of  $d_{33}$  is increased by higher chromophore densities and by higher poling fields. That effective poling can be carried out more than 20 °C below  $T_g$  underscores the importance of secondary relaxation processes<sup>21</sup> in achieving/dissipating preferential chromophore alignment.

The present results considerably expand what is known about the properties of NLO chromophore-functionalized polystyrenes. Equally important, they suggest future synthetic and processing strategies for materials with even more efficient frequency-doubling properties.

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## New Entanglement Model of Condensed Linear Polymers: Localized Gauss Integral Model

Entanglement of polymers is usually discussed in terms of the tube model.<sup>1</sup> This model has succeeded in explaining numerous viscoelastic properties of entangled polymers very well, but its physical foundation has not yet been fully established. A more fundamental approach to this problem is to introduce topological invariants such as the Gauss integral (GI) explicitly into the statistical mechanics of polymers.<sup>2</sup> This approach has been used to calculate the modulus of network polymers and the second virial coefficients of ring polymers in the Θ state,  $A_2^{\Theta}$ .<sup>3</sup> Although the two theories have so far been studied inde-

pendently, there must be a close relationship between them. In this work, we propose a new model, a "localized Gauss integral model", which links the two theories. This model shows that  $G_N$ , the plateau modulus of linear polymers, had a close relationship with  $A_2^0$ . It can also predict the concentration dependence of  $G_N$ . The GI is defined by  $\int \int dr_1 dr_2 \nabla(1/r_{12})$ , where  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  are the two curves, and applies to both closed loops and open segments of sufficient length. For example, let us consider a pair of linear or ring polymers, in which the GI has a value  $t$ , and the relative position of the centers of mass is  $w$ . To a good approximation, the distribution function of  $t$  is given by<sup>4a</sup>

$$P(t|w) = (1 - g/h)\delta(t) + (g/h)(4\pi x^2/h)^{1/2} \exp(-4t^2x^2/h) \quad (1)$$

$$x = (8\bar{\gamma}n^{1/2})^{-1/2} \quad (2)$$

where  $g$  and  $h$  are single- and double-contact probabilities among the submolecules,  $n$  is the number of main-chain bonds per polymer, and  $\bar{\gamma}$  is the topological interaction parameter per main-chain bond. In ring polymers, GI takes integral values  $T$ :  $T = 0, T = \pm 1, \dots$ , and its distribution function,  $P_t(w)$ , is given by the integration of  $P(t|w)$  with respect to  $t$  over  $[T - 1/2, T + 1/2]$ . By use of the eq 1 for  $P(t|w)$ , the topological second virial coefficient is given by

$$A_2^0 = (N_A/2n_r^2M_0^2) \int (g_r/h_r)(1 - \text{erf}(x_r/h_r^{1/2})) dh \quad (3)$$

where  $N_A$  is Avogadro's number,  $M_0$  is the molecular weight per main-chain bond, and the subscript attached to  $x, n, g$ , and  $h$  indicates that they are for ring polymers.

Now let us consider linear polymers. Entanglements between linear polymers are time dependent, but if they are observed on a time-scale sufficiently shorter than the disengagement time of the tube model,  $\tau_d$ , the GI will be almost constant and the distribution functions will be given by eq 1. In concentrated systems, however, there is another difficulty in that the GIs are not good topological invariants for such highly entangled systems, because they represent only the topological states of two polymers, while the polymers in the concentrated systems entangle with other polymers simultaneously and form complicated topological states which cannot be classified by the GI alone. Although higher topological invariants such as Alexander polynomials can be used in principle, it is difficult to introduce them into the statistical mechanics of polymers and it is reasonable to consider the approximation of a "localized Gauss integral (LGI) model". One can argue that the repetition of the GI along any chain certainly gives a tube, and describes the main effect.

Let the system be composed of linear polymers,  $a, b, \dots$ , each of which is divided into  $m$  "local chains",  $a_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, m$ ) etc., and let  $t_{a_i b_j}$  be GI defined for a pair of local chain,  $(a_i, b_j)$ . In the LGI model, it is assumed that each  $t_{a_i b_j}$  behaves like a topological invariant when it is observed on a time scale  $\tau_1$  which is longer than the Rouse relaxation time  $\tau_R$ , i.e., the time necessary for local configurations of the polymers to randomize, but sufficiently shorter than the disengagement time  $\tau_d$ , the time required for the entanglement states to change significantly.<sup>1</sup> More precisely, it is assumed that  $t_{a_i b_j}$  fluctuates around "quantized" average values, due to the restriction on the chain motion caused by entanglements of its neighboring local chains,  $a_{i\pm 1}$  and  $b_{j\pm 1}$ . In analogy with ring polymers,  $|T_{a_i b_j}| \geq 1$  corresponds to entanglement states and  $T_{a_i b_j} = 0$  to a no-

entanglement state. The probability of occurrence of the entanglement states,  $\epsilon_{a_i b_j}$ , is defined by the integration of  $P(t|w)$  in regard to  $t$  over  $|t| \geq 0.5$ , i.e.

$$\epsilon_{a_i b_j}(w_{a_i b_j}) = (g_{a_i b_j}/h_{a_i b_j})(1 - \text{erf}(x_{a_i b_j}/h_{a_i b_j}^{1/2})) \quad (4)$$

where the subscript  $a_i b_j$  attached on  $w, x, g$ , and  $h$  indicates that they are defined in regard to local chain pair  $(a_i, b_j)$ . The average number of entanglement partners per local chain,  $N$ , is given by

$$N(x_i) = (c/n_i M_0) E(x_i) \quad (5)$$

$$E(x_i) = \int \epsilon_{a_i b_j}(w_{a_i b_j}) dw_{a_i b_j}$$

where  $c$  is the concentration (of mass) and  $n_i$  the average number of the main chain bonds per local chain. It is assumed that  $n_i$  is determined by the condition

$$N(x_i) = 1 \quad (6)$$

Now let us consider the distribution function of the whole system. For simplicity, we assume that there are only two topological states of the local chains, the entanglement  $T_{a_i b_j} \neq 0$  and the nonentanglement state  $T_{a_i b_j} = 0$ . In this approximation, the topological state of the whole system is represented by set  $\rho$  of the all local chain pairs,  $(a_i, b_j)$ , which are in the entanglement state. Let  $P(\rho, \{r\})$  be the distribution function of the whole system in the entanglement state  $\rho$ , where  $\{y\} = (r_{a_i}, r_{b_j}, \dots)$  is a set of coordinates of the centers of the local chains, and let it be split into the "phantom" part,  $P_{ph}(\{r\})$ , and the "topological" part,  $P_{top}(\rho, \{r\})$ , as follows:  $P(\rho, \{r\}) = P_{ph}(\{r\})P_{top}(\rho, \{r\})$ . The phantom part is given by the distribution function of the Rouse model. It is assumed that the topological part,  $P_{top}(\rho, \{r\})$ , is given by a superposition of the entanglement and nonentanglement probability of the local chains as follows:

$$P_{top}(\rho, \{r\}) = \prod_{(a_i b_j) \in \rho} \epsilon_{a_i b_j} \prod_{(c_k d_l) \notin \rho} (1 - \epsilon_{c_k d_l}) \quad (7)$$

The pseudoequilibrium values of  $r_{a_i}$  and  $n_{a_i}$  in the entanglement state  $\rho$ ,  $\bar{r}_{a_i}(\rho)$  and  $\bar{n}_{a_i}(\rho)$ , are determined by the following conditions:

$$\partial P(\rho, \{r\}) / \partial r_{a_i} = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$\partial P(\rho, \{r\}) / \partial n_{a_i} = 0$$

We further introduce the following simplification: Let  $l_{a_i}$  and  $w_{a_i b_j}$  be vectors  $\bar{r}_{a_{i+1}} - \bar{r}_{a_i}$  and  $\bar{r}_{a_i} - \bar{r}_{b_j}$ , respectively, and let  $|l_{a_i}|, \theta_{a_i}, \phi_{a_i}|$  be intramolecular polar coordinates defined by  $l_{a_i} = |l_{a_i}|, \cos \theta_{a_i} = l_{a_i} l_{a_{i-1}} / |l_{a_i}| |l_{a_{i-1}}|$ , and  $\phi_{a_i}$  is the internal rotation angle between  $l_{a_i}$  and  $l_{a_{i-2}}$  about  $l_{a_{i-1}}$ . For simplicity, we neglect distribution of  $(n_{a_i}, l_{a_i}, \theta_{a_i}, w_{a_i b_j})$  among the local chains and assume that they take the same values,  $(n_i, l, \theta, w)$ , in the all local chains; i.e.

$$n_{a_i} = \bar{n}_i \quad l_{a_i} = \bar{l} \quad \theta_{a_i} = \bar{\theta} \quad w_{a_i b_j} = \bar{w} \quad (9)$$

Although the all  $l_{a_i}$  and  $\theta_{a_i}$  are fixed to their pseudoequilibrium values,  $\bar{l}$  and  $\bar{\theta}$ , the polymers can still take random configurations due to the degrees of freedom in regard to  $\phi_{a_i}$ . By this simplification,  $P(\rho, \{r\})$  becomes a function of  $\bar{n}_i, \bar{l}$ , and  $\bar{w}$ , and their values are determined by eq 6 and 8. The angle  $\bar{\theta}$  is determined by the condition that the mean-square end-to-end distance of each polymer should be equal to its equilibrium value; i.e.,  $\bar{l}^2(1 + \cos \bar{\theta})/(1$

Table I  
 $G_N$ ,  $\bar{\gamma}$ , and  $A_2^\theta$  of Typical Polymers

polymer	$G_N$ , dyn/cm <sup>27</sup> (bulk)	$b_0$ , nm	$\bar{\gamma}$	$A_2^\theta$ , 10 <sup>-5</sup> cm <sup>3</sup> /g		
				$M_r = 10^4$	$10^5$	$10^6$
polyethylene	$27.0^{7b} \times 10^6$	0.41	0.0105	88.2	40.0	15.1
polybutadiene	$12.0 \times 10^6$	0.33	0.0074	42.8	21.1	8.29
polyisobutylene	$3.2 \times 10^6$	0.40	0.0036	10.4	8.31	4.02
poly(dimethylsiloxane)	$2.4 \times 10^6$	0.43	0.0046	9.24	6.79	3.20
polystyrene	$2.0 \times 10^6$	0.49 <sup>8</sup>	0.0033 <sup>8</sup>	4.76	4.82	2.64

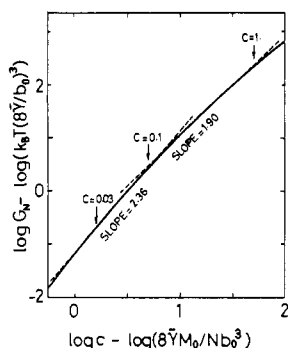


Figure 1. Concentration dependence of  $G_N$ . The arrows represent the positions of  $c = 1.0, 0.1$ , and  $0.03$  for polystyrene; the average slope in  $1 \geq c \geq 0.1$  is equal to  $1.90$  and in  $0.1 \geq c \geq 0.03$ ,  $2.36$ .

$-\cos \bar{\theta}) = \bar{n}_l b_0^2$  where  $b_0$  is the Kuhn statistical length per main-chain bond. Since these equations contain an unknown parameter ( $x_l$ ,  $(\bar{n}_l, \bar{l}, \bar{\theta}, \bar{w})$  are computed numerically as functions of  $x_l$ ).

Now the stress tensor of the system is given by

$$\sigma = -\sum_{a_i} \langle r_{a_i} f_{a_i} \rangle / V \quad (10)$$

where  $V$  is the volume of the system and  $f_{a_i}$  is an average force acting on the center of local chain  $a_i$ ;  $f_{a_i} = -k_B T \partial \ln P / \partial r_{a_i}$ . When approximation (9) is introduced, eq 10 gives the plateau modulus

$$G_N = (cRT / \bar{n}_l M_0) G_N(x_l)$$

$$G_N(x_l) = \{\bar{l}^2 + (\bar{l}F^l + \bar{w}F^w/2)/3 - \bar{l}^2(1 + 4F^n/3)^{1/2} / \bar{n}_l b_0^2\} \quad (11)$$

where  $F^x$  and  $F^{xx}$  ( $x = l, w$ , or  $n$ ) are the first and second derivative of  $\log P$  with respect to  $x$ . (Derivation of eq 11 will be given elsewhere.) Since  $(\bar{n}_l, \bar{l}, \bar{\theta}, \bar{w})$  have already been computed numerically as functions of  $x_l$ , so are  $G_N(x_l)$  and  $E(x_l)$ . Using eq 5, 6, and 11, we find

$$G_N/A = x_l^6 \bar{G}_N(x_l) / E(x_l), \quad A = k_B T (8\bar{\gamma} / b_0)^3, \\ c/B = x_l^2 / E(x_l), \quad B = 8M_0 \bar{\gamma} / N_A b_0^3 \quad (12)$$

By computation of  $G_N(x_l)$  and  $E(x_l)$  numerically for various  $x_l$ ,  $\log G_N/A$  is plotted against  $\log (c/B)$  in Figure 1. Since eq 12 contains only one unknown parameter  $\bar{\gamma}$ , it can be determined from experimental data for  $G_N$ . For polystyrene (PS), for example, we get  $\bar{\gamma} = 0.0033$  from  $G_N = 2.0 \times 10^6$  dyn/cm<sup>2</sup> (bulk)<sup>7</sup> and  $b_0 = 0.49$  nm. It is remarkable that the same  $\bar{\gamma}$  is obtained from  $A_2^\theta$  data using eq 3.<sup>8</sup> The power,  $\alpha$ , of the concentration dependence of  $G_N$  is given by the slope of the curve in Figure 1; for PS, experimental data are  $\alpha = 2.0$  in the high concentration region  $C \geq 0.1$ <sup>10</sup> and  $\alpha = 2.3$  in the low concentration region  $0.1 \geq c \geq 0.03$ ;<sup>11</sup> theoretical values are  $\alpha = 1.90$  and  $2.36$ , respectively, in the same regions (see Figure 1), a very good

agreement with the experiments. As shown before,<sup>4b</sup> eq 3 leads to good agreement in the molecular weight dependence of theoretical and experimental  $A_2^\theta$ . It is important that these results have been obtained by using the same topological distribution function<sup>1</sup> with a single adjustable parameter  $\bar{\gamma}$ , although  $G_N$  and  $A_2^\theta$  are seemingly quite different quantities. Although PS is the only polymer for which  $A_2^\theta$  has so far been measured, there are numbers of experimental data of bulk polymers for which we can calculate  $\bar{\gamma}$  and  $A_2^\theta$  using their bulk  $G_N$  data. In Table I,  $G_N$  and  $b_0$  of typical bulk polymers and their  $\bar{\gamma}$  and  $A_2^\theta$  (for  $M = 10^4, 10^5, 10^6$ , computed) are summarized. It is interesting that  $G_N$  is roughly proportional to  $A_2^\theta$  as seen from Table I.

Finally, a comment is given on the relationship between the tube and LGI model. This model is considered to be a kind of transient network, an idea put forward many years ago by Lodge in his book *Elastic Liquids*.<sup>12</sup> In such a model the polymers are temporarily linked together by "entanglement cross-links" (or by pairs of local chains) in the LGI model and motion of the polymers is caused by creation and annihilation (or "renewal") of the entanglement cross-links; this motion is essentially the same as the reptation of the tube model. Although we have not considered the Brownian motion of the polymers explicitly in this work, we have assumed implicitly such a reptative motion. What is new in the model is that it is described in terms of topological theory and that it can predict the absolute value of  $G_N$ , if  $\bar{\gamma}$  is already known from  $A_2^\theta$  data. Further discussion will be given in forthcoming work.

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