

Polymeric Materials



Chemical and Biological Engineering
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Textbook

Ch 1 Sl 2

- Plastic Technology Handbook
 - 5th Edn, 2018
 - Chanda, M
 - 7 chapters, 1012 pages
 - Covers everything of polymeric materials
 - properties, processing, materials

Chapters

Ch 1 Sl 3

- 1 Characteristics
- 3 Properties and testing
- 2 Fabrication = processing
- 4 Industrial polymers = structural polymers
- 5 Polymers in special uses = functional polymers
- 6 Recycling
- 7 Trends in applications

Grading

Ch 1 SI 4

- total 220 points

- 2 exams \times 100 = 200 points

- midterm, Chapt 1 – 3

- final, Chapt 4 – 7

- 2 homework assignments \times 10 = 20 points

- past years' exam problems

Schedule

Chapter 1

Characteristics



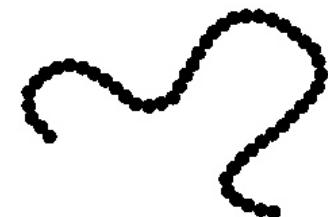
molecular characteristics
structure-property relations
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Polymer

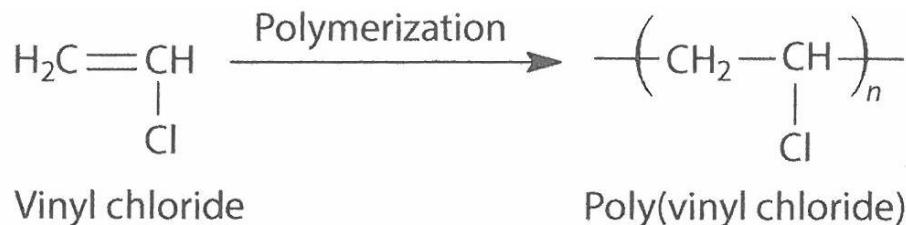
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□ polymer

- polymer = poly + mer = many parts
- macromolecules = giant molecule



□ polymerization



- monomer to oligomer to polymer
- degree of polymerization [DP]
 - mol wt of monomer [M_0] \times DP = mol wt of polymer
 - molecular weight = molar mass [g/mol]
- distribution of mol wt; average mol wt

Mol wt averages

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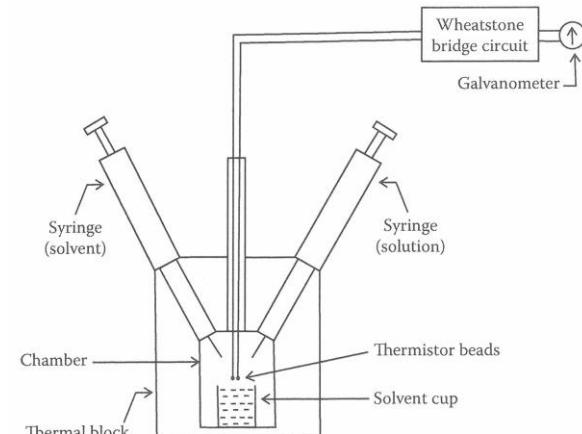
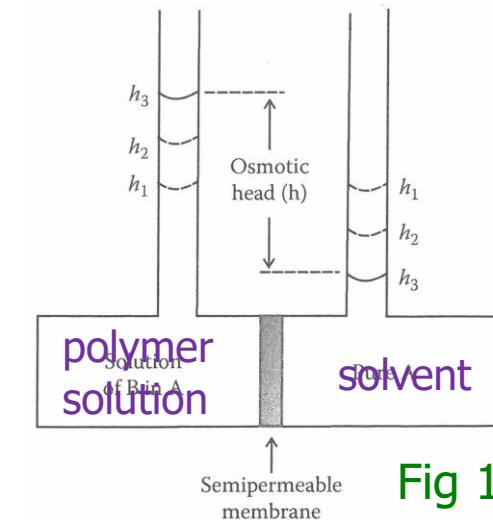
□ number-average mol wt, M_n

$$\bar{M}_n = \frac{W}{N} = \frac{\sum N_i M_i}{N} = \sum n_i M_i$$

$$\overline{DP}_n = \frac{\bar{M}_n}{M_0}$$

■ M_n determination

- end-group analysis
- colligative property measurements
 - ebulliometry (\leftarrow bp elevation)
 - cryoscopy (\leftarrow fp depression)
 - membrane osmometry [MO]
 - vapor phase [pressure] osmometry [VPO]
- none used these days



□ wt-avg mol wt, M_w

$$\bar{M}_w = \sum w_i M_i = \frac{\sum W_i M_i}{\sum W_i} = \frac{\sum N_i M_i^2}{\sum N_i M_i}$$

$= W$

- weighted on the larger; $M_w \geq M_n$

- M_w determination

- light scattering [LS]

- intensity of scattered light \propto (mass of molecule)² and concentration of solution

- LALLS used

- more for dynamics

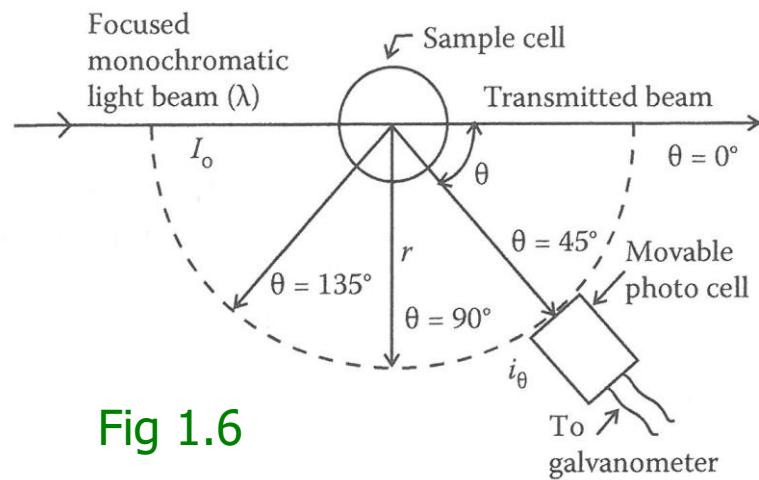
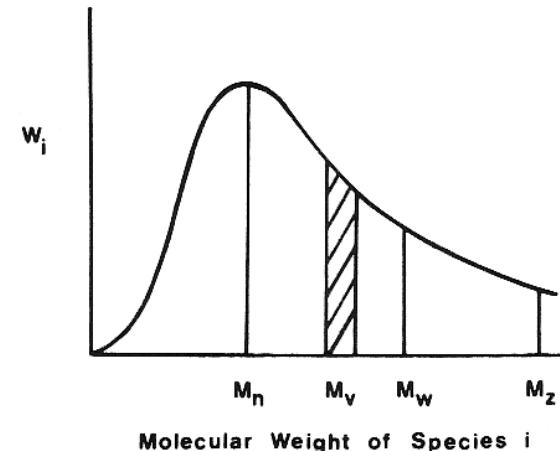


Fig 1.6

□ viscosity-avg mol wt, M_v

$$\bar{M}_v = \left[\sum w_i M_i^a \right]^{1/a} = \left[\sum N_i M_i^{1+a} / \sum N_i M_i \right]^{1/a}$$

- a relative method ← size not mass
- M_v determination

□ dilute solution viscometry [DSV]

- intrinsic viscosity

$$([\eta]) = \lim_{c \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{c} \left(\frac{\eta}{\eta_0} - 1 \right)$$

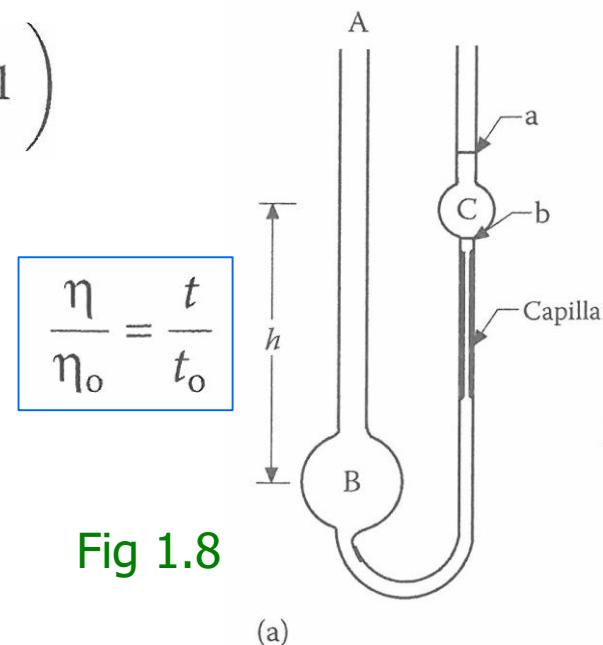
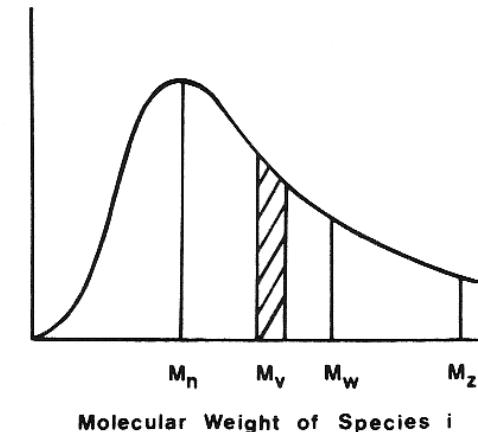
- Mark-Houwink-Sakurada [MHS] eqn

- relates size and mass

$$[\eta] = K \bar{M}_v^a$$

- K and a from handbook

- popular (in the lab)

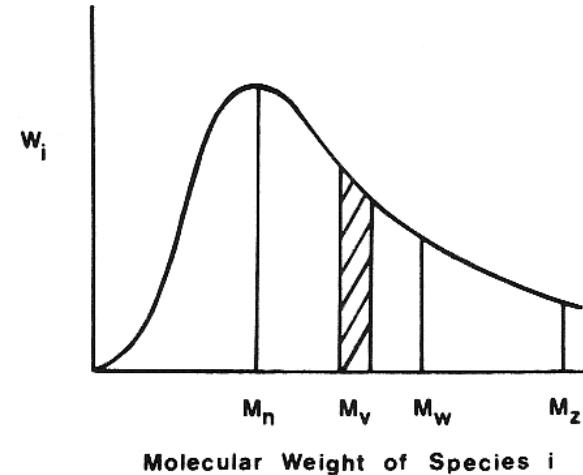


$$\frac{\eta}{\eta_0} = \frac{t}{t_0}$$

Mol wt distribution

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- polydispersity index [PDI]
 - $PDI = M_w/M_n$
 - measure of width of distribution
 - $PDI = 1 \sim \text{monodisperse}$
 - $PDI = 2 - 3$ for step polymers
 - $PDI = 2 - 10$ for chain polymers

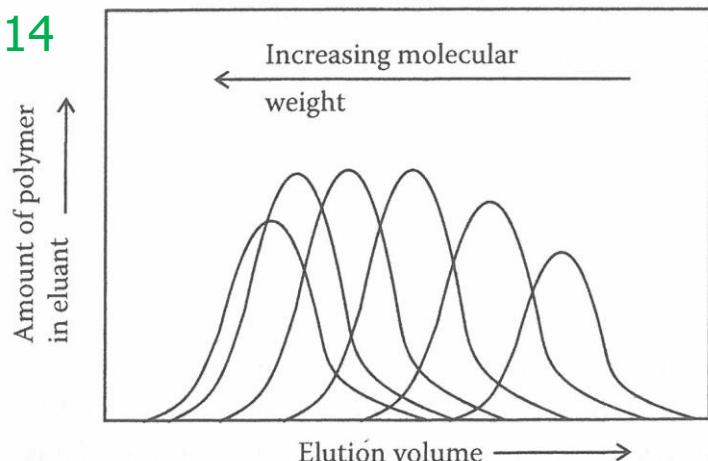


□ determination of MWD

- fractionation
- gel permeation chromatography [GPC]
 - most popular

➤ *Example 1, 2, 3*

Fig 1.14



■ gel permeation chromatography [GPC]

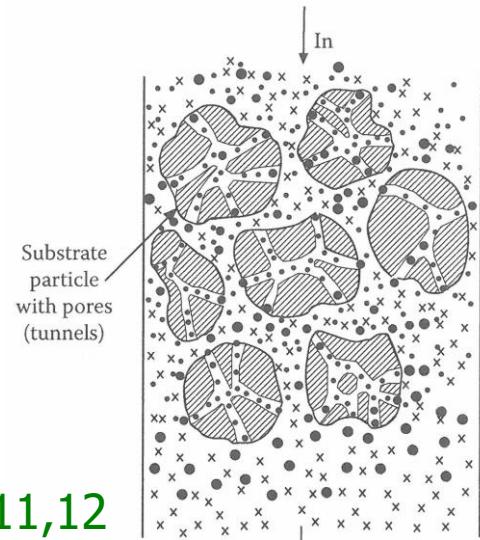
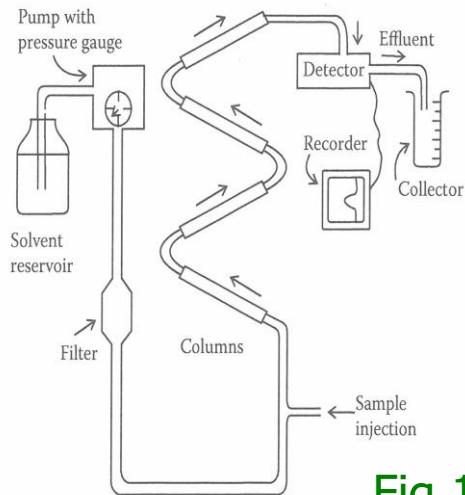
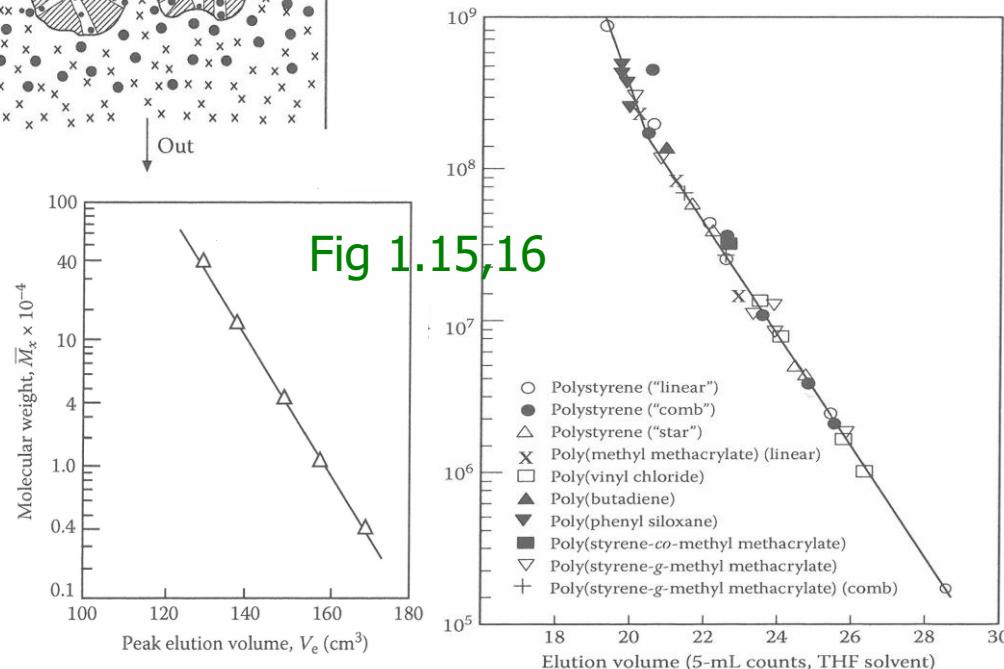
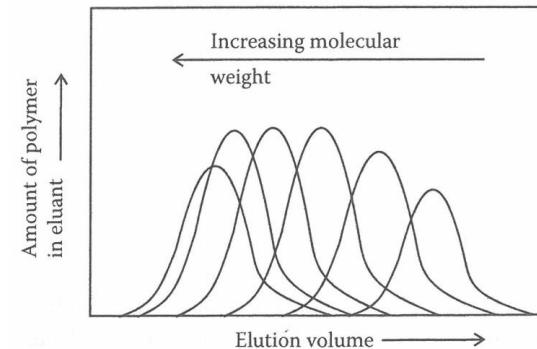


Fig 1.11,12



$$\log M_x = \left(\frac{1}{1 + a_x} \right) \log \frac{K_s}{K_x} + \frac{1 + a_s}{1 + a_x} \log M_s$$

$$[\eta] = K \bar{M}_v^a$$

MW and properties

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□ threshold MW

- gas to liquid to wax to solid
- depends on type of polymers
 - small for step polymers

□ dependence

- MW independent
 - dep on chemical structure
- M_n dependent
 - $T_g = T_g(\infty) - A/M_n$
 - most thermomechanical prop's
- M_w dependent
 - $\eta = B M_w^x$

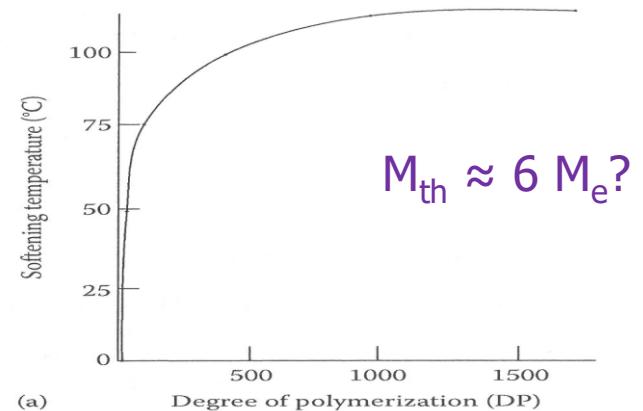
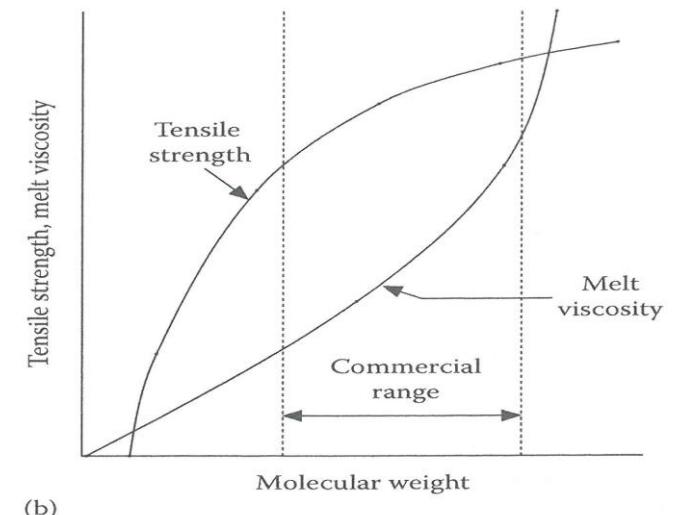


Fig 1.2 p2



Polymerization

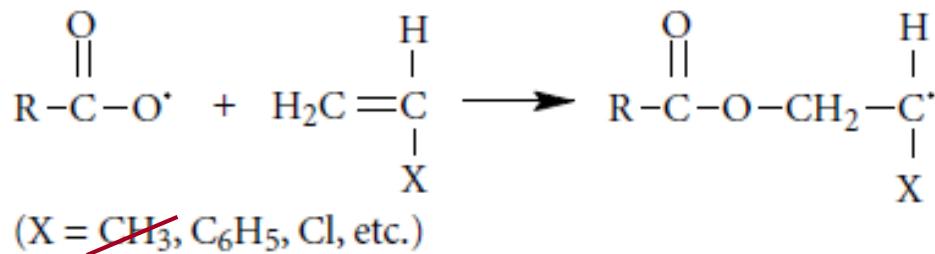
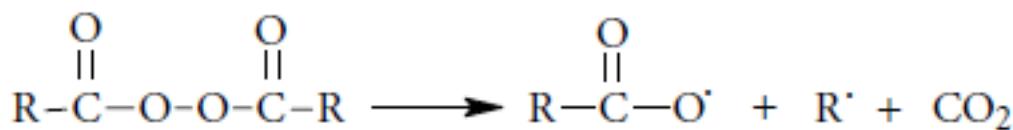
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- classification
 - addition vs condensation polym'n ~ old
 - by monomer type ~ C=C or ring vs functional group
 - chain vs step polym'n ~ current
 - by growth mechanism ~ chain rxn vs step rxn
- chain polym'n
 - $I \rightarrow I^* \rightarrow IM^* \rightarrow IMM^* \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow IM_n^* \rightarrow IM_{n+1}^*$
 - *; active center
 - * = • [free-radical] → radical polym'n
 - * = \oplus [cation] → cationic polym'n
 - * = \ominus [anion] → anionic polym'n
 - * = coordination site → coordination polym'n

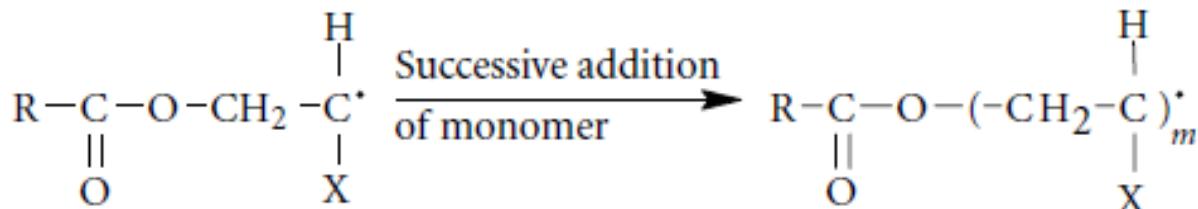
Radical polym'n

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- mechanism
 - initiation

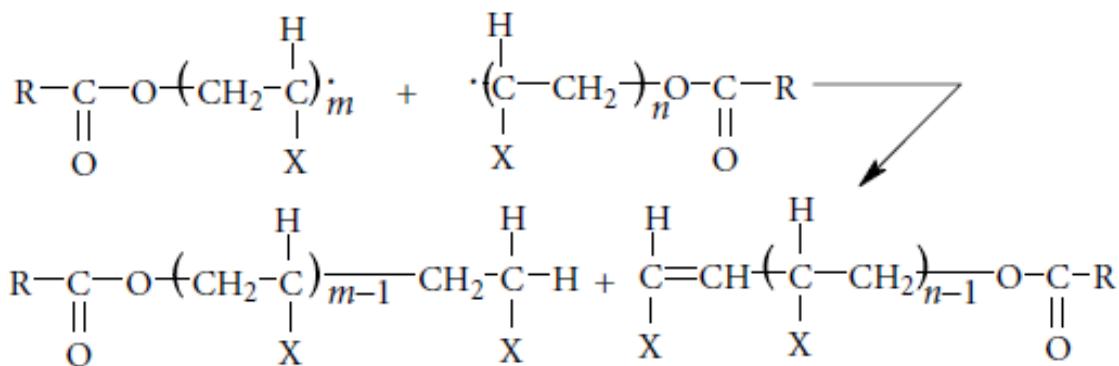
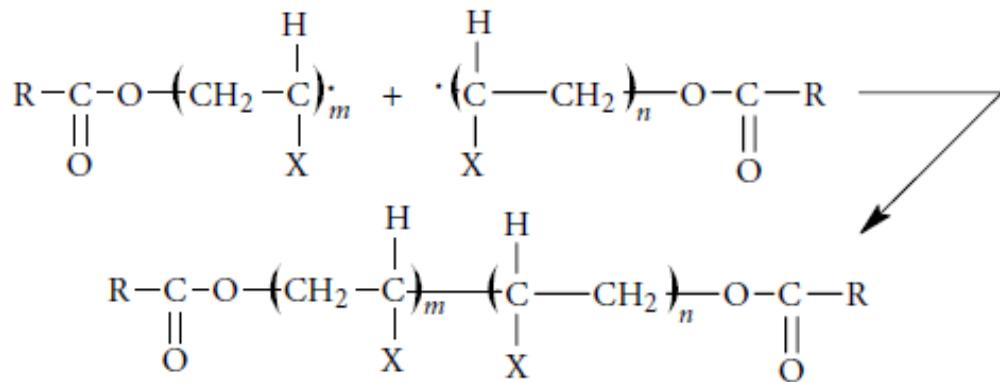


- propagation

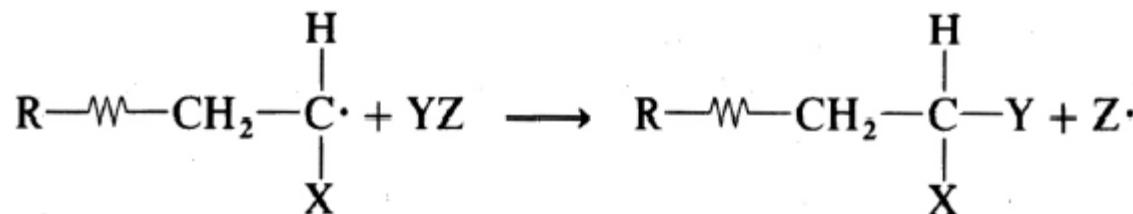


■ termination

- death of active center stopping chain growth
- through either coupling or disproportionation



■ chain transfer



- to initiator, monomer, solvent, and/or polymer
- CT to I, M, S lower mol wt
- CT to polymer enlarge PDI
- retardation and inhibition
- autoacceleration
 - increase of polym'n rate at later stage [high conversion]
 - make PDI even larger

Ionic polym'n

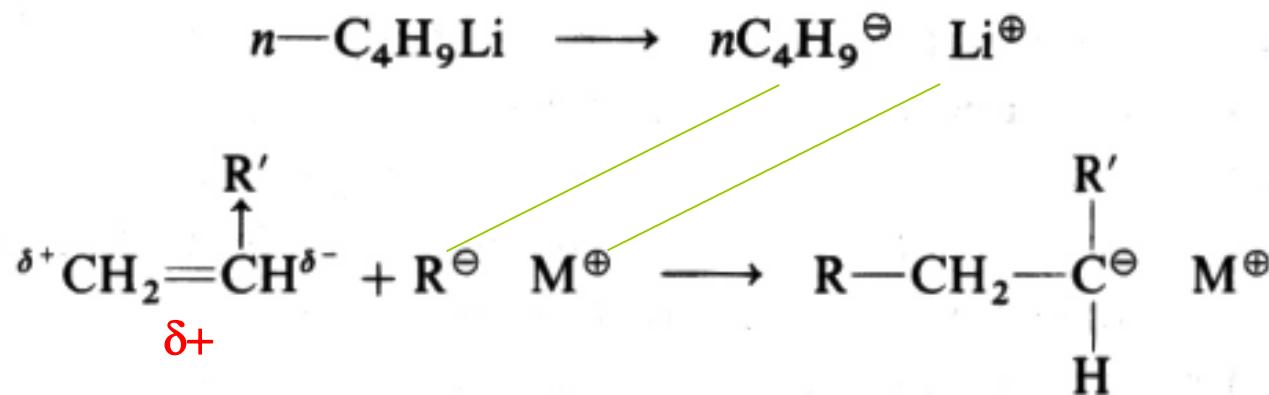
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□ selective to monomer

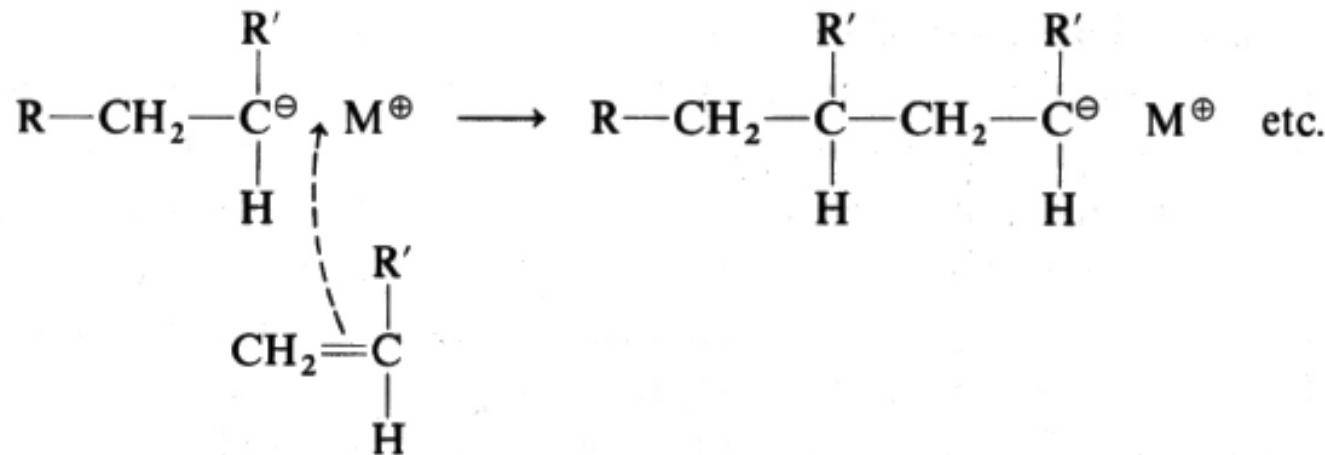
- e-withdrawing substituent ~ anionic polym'n
- e-donating substituent ~ cationic polym'n
- radical? ~ not selective, most monomers

□ mechanism

- initiation



■ propagation



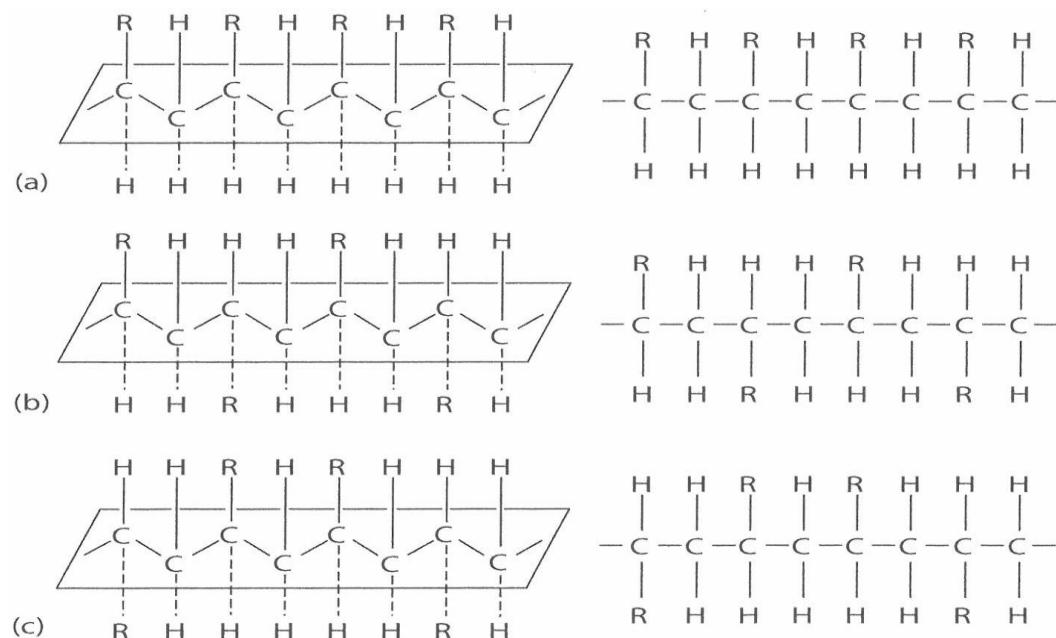
- no bimolecular termination
 - living polym'n; in anionic, hardly in cationic
 - termination by impurity
- narrow MWD
 - living nature + fast initiation

Coordination polym'n

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- for stereoregular polymer synthesis
- tacticity
 - isotactic, syndiotactic ~ stereoregular
 - crystallizable → higher strength
 - atactic ~ not stereoregular

Fig 1.46 p59



□ Coordination polym'n for

- HDPE ← Radical polym'n of E gives only LDPE.
- α -olefin like PP ← autoinhibition in radical polym'n

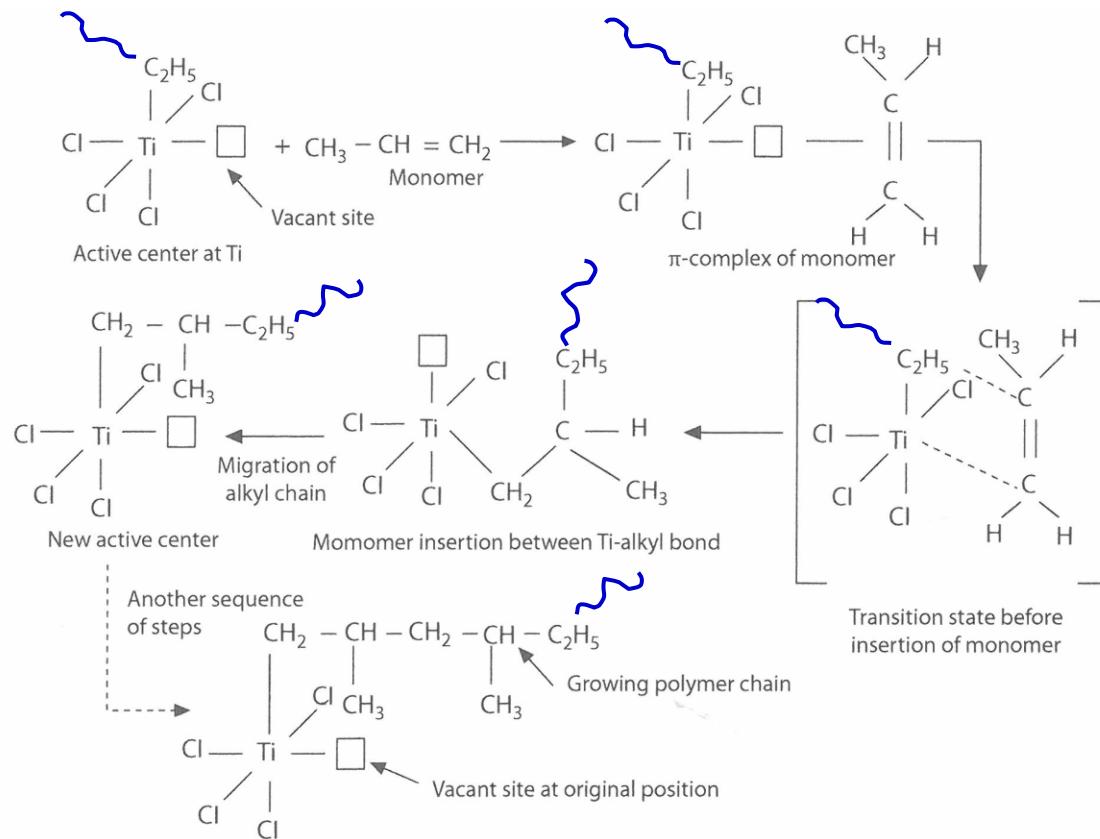


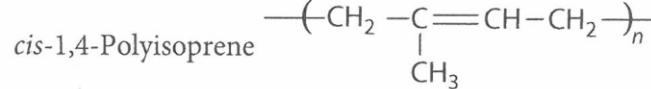
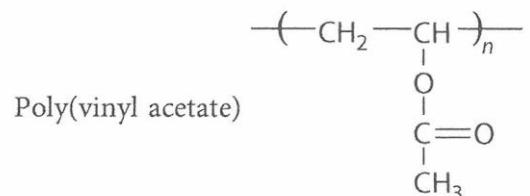
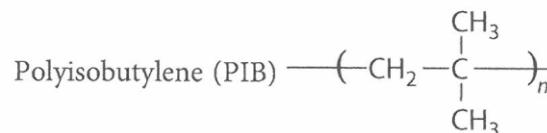
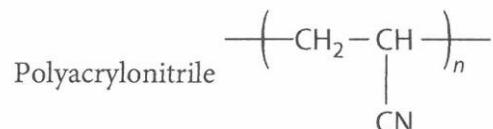
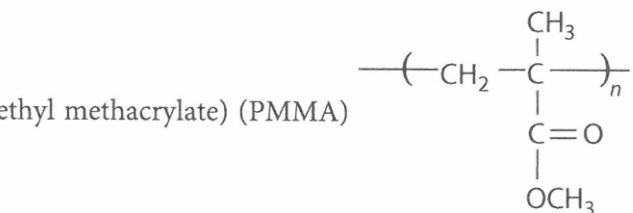
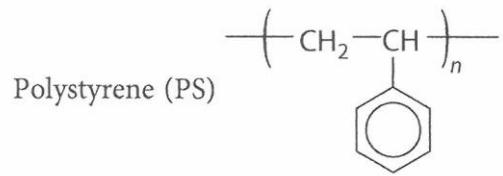
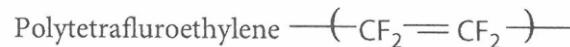
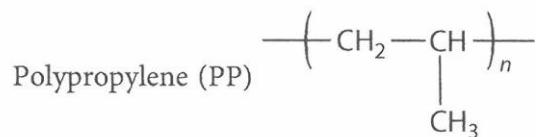
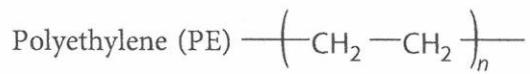
Fig 1.21 p27

Chain polymers

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Table 1.1 p22-23

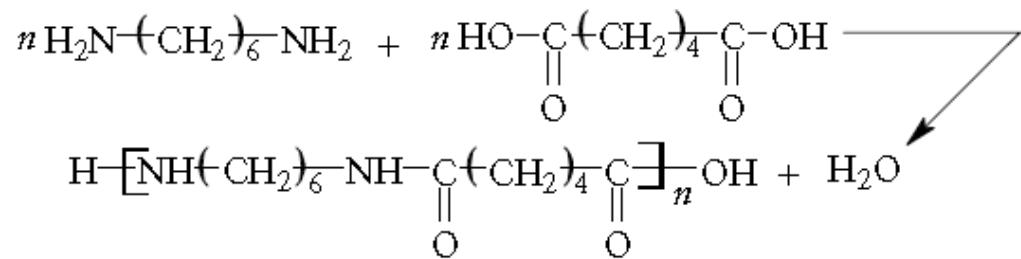
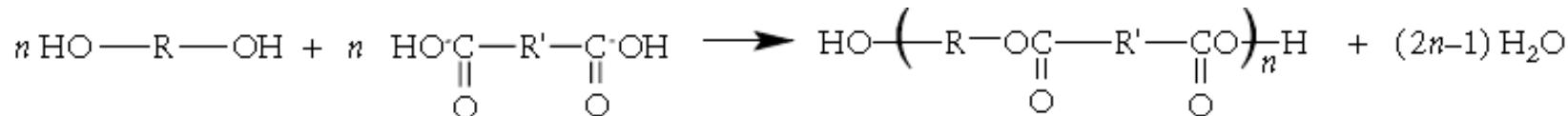
PE, PP, PVC, PMMA, PS, --- ~ general purpose plastics



Step polym'n

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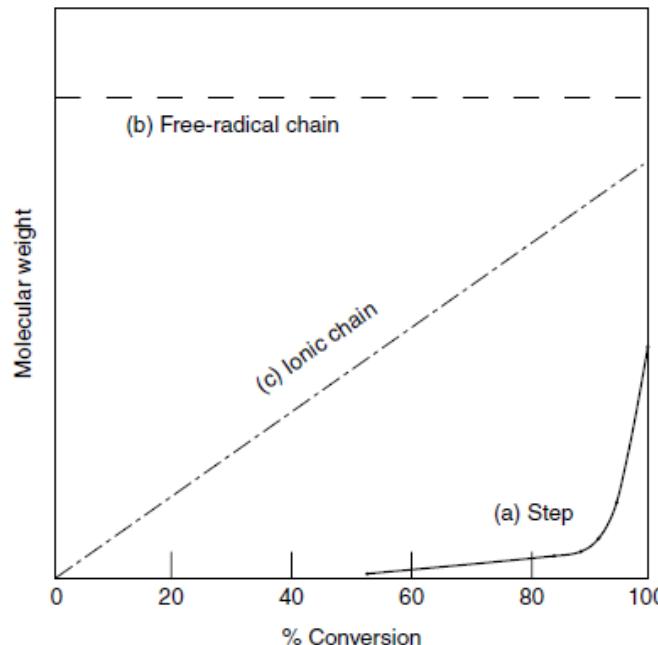
□ by rxn of functional groups



□ step-wise growth of chain



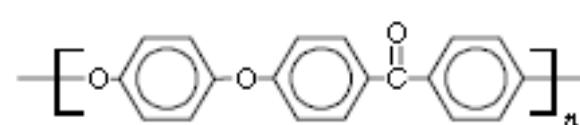
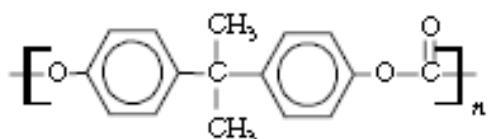
Fig 1.18 p25
mol wt vs conversion



□ step polymers

- polyester, polyamide, PU --- Table 1.2
- PC, PEEK --- [engineering plastics] Table 1.3
- higher performance (than chain polymers)
 - due to crystallizability
 - due to stiffer backbone, esp with aromatic

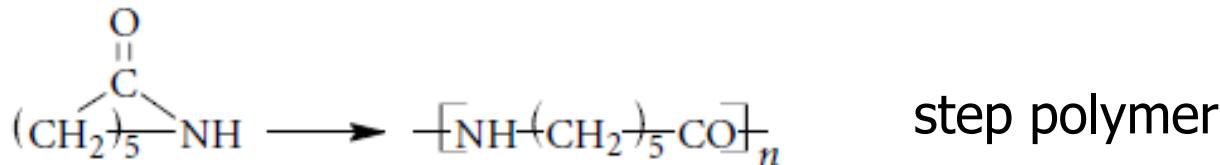
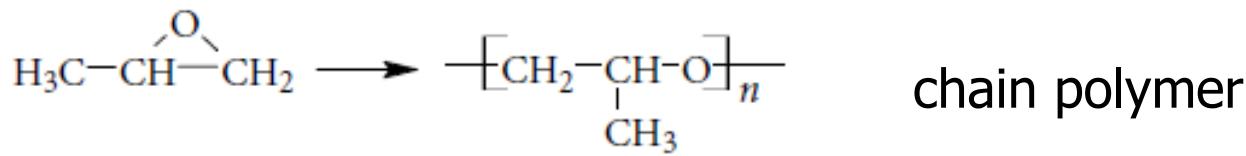
ester ($\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{O}-$), amide ($\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{NH}-$), imide ($\text{N}(\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{O})\text{C}(=\text{O})-$), urethane ($\text{O}-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{NH}-$), sulfide ($\text{S}-$), ether ($\text{O}-$), carbonate ($\text{O}-\text{C}(=\text{O})-\text{O}-$), and sulfone ($\text{S}(=\text{O})_2-$) linkages.



Ring-opening polym'n

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- mostly chain polym'n



- PPrO and PA6 are classified as condensation polymers, ----- p34
 - chain or addition polymer(ization)
 - step or condensation polymer(ization)
 - ignore

Supramolecular polym'n

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- polym'n through secondary bonding
 - like (multiple) H-bonding
- stable yet reversible chain
 - high mechanical property and good processability

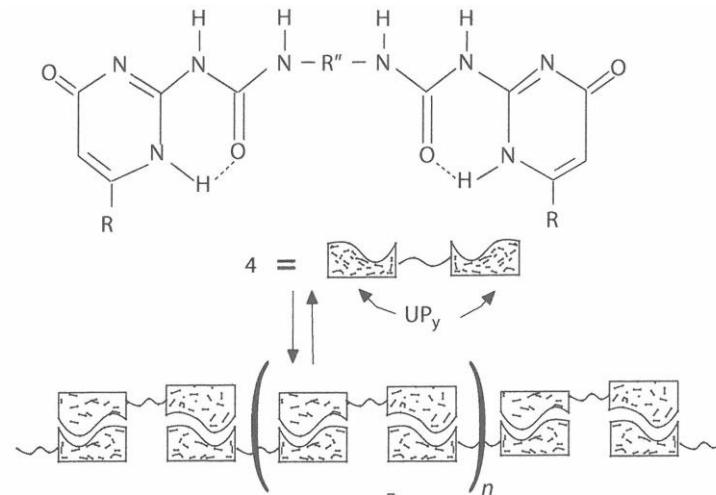
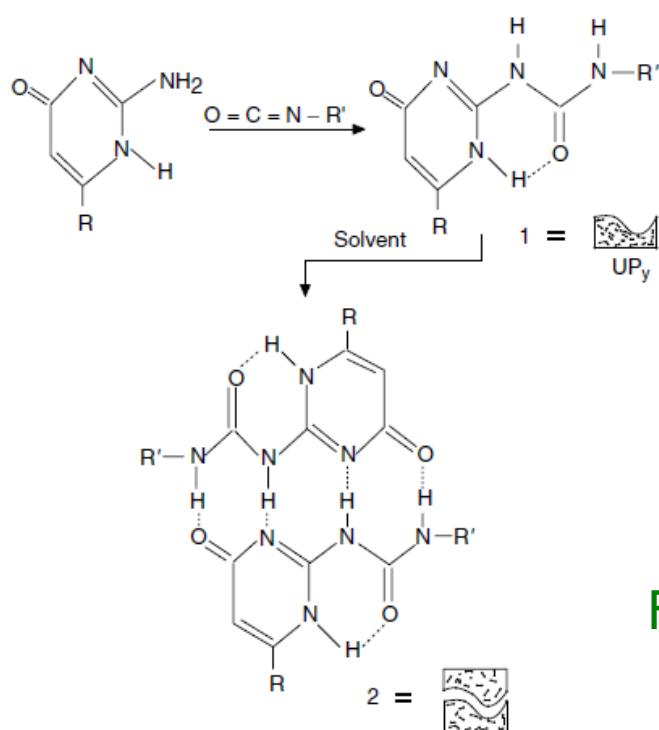
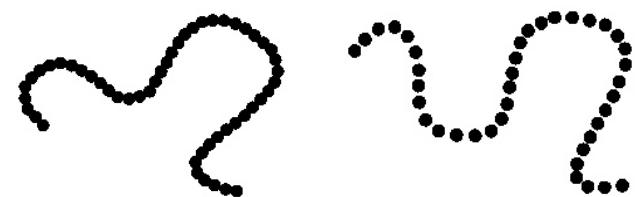


Fig 1.23,24



Copolymers

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- homopolymer, copolymer, terpolymer

- types

- random

- alternating

- block

- graft

- morphology

- 1-phase vs 2-phase

- property

- average vs composite

- SAN vs SBS

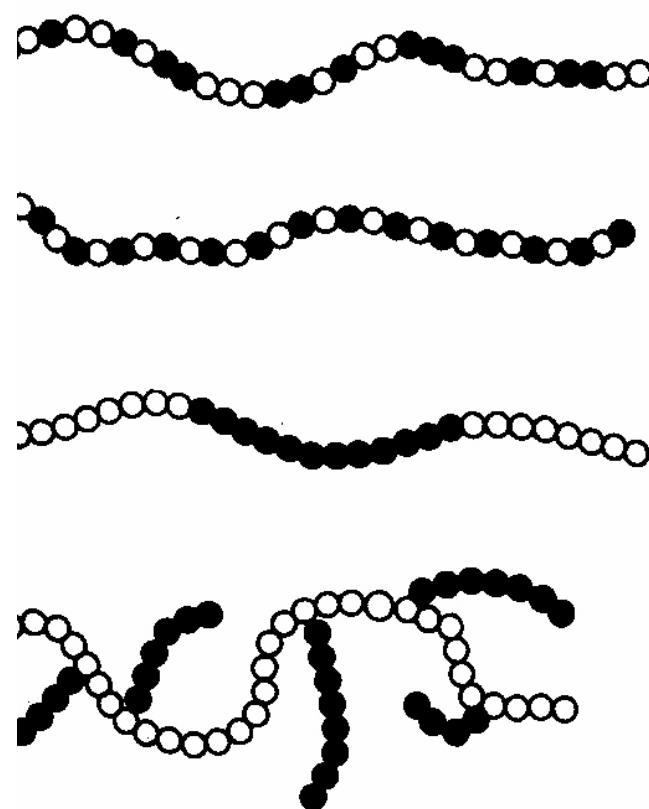


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