

# Ch 04

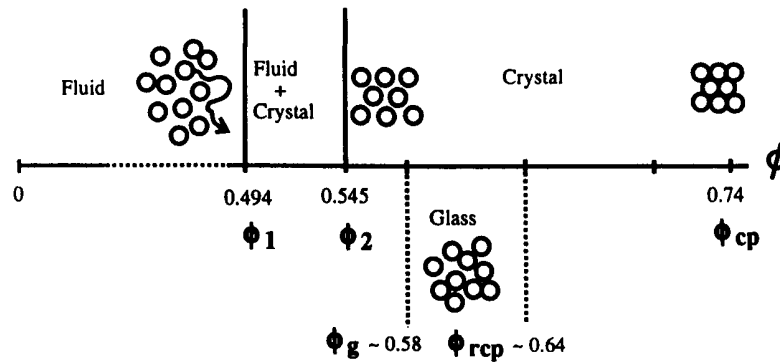
## Basic forces

# Electromagnetic forces

$$F = -\frac{dW}{dr}$$

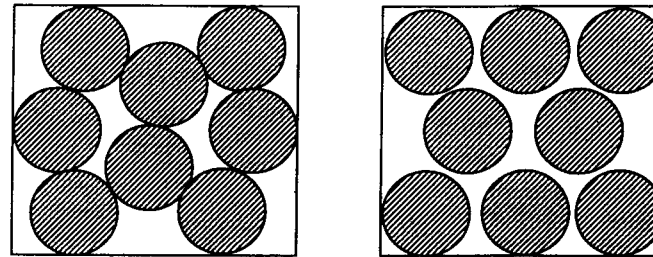
- Steric (excluded volume)
- Van der Waals
- Electrostatic
- Hydrogen bonding
- hydrophilic

# Steric - hard spheres



**Figure 2.1** The hard-sphere phase diagram. Below volume fraction  $\phi < \phi_1 = 0.494$ , the suspension is a disordered fluid. Between  $\phi_1 = 0.494$  and  $\phi_2 = 0.545$ , there is coexistence of this disordered phase with a colloidal crystalline phase with FCC (or HCP) order; the colloidal crystalline phase is the equilibrium one up to the maximum close-packing limit of  $\phi_{cp} = 0.74$ . Nonequilibrium colloidal “glassy” behavior can also occur between  $\phi_g = 0.58$  and the limit of random close packing at  $\phi_{rcp} = 0.64$ . (From Poon and Pusey, fig. 5, with kind permission of Kluwer Academic Publishers, Copyright 1995.)

The hard sphere crystal transition is driven by entropy.



**Figure 2.2.** In (a) and (b), the same number of spheres of the same size are packed into the same space. The disordered sphere packing in (a) can create more “free volume” by ordering into a regular packing in (b), thereby creating volume entropy while losing configurational entropy (after Lekkerkerker, unpublished). (From Poon and Pusey, fig. 4, with kind permission of Kluwer Academic Publishers, Copyright 1995.)

# Steric – nematic phase

The degree of orientation order is described by an orientational order parameter  $S$

$$S = \frac{3}{2} \langle \cos^2 \theta \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \quad \langle \cdot \rangle \equiv \int \cdot \psi(\mathbf{u}) du^2 \equiv \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \cdot \psi(\mathbf{u}) d\phi \sin \theta d\theta$$

Onsager theory

$$V_{nem}(\mathbf{u}) = V_0(\mathbf{u}) = U_0 k_B T \int \psi(\mathbf{u}') \sin(\mathbf{u}', \mathbf{u}) du'^2$$

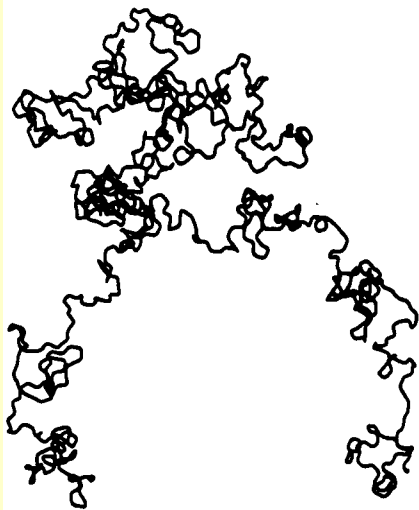
$$\psi(\mathbf{u}) = C e^{-V_{nem}(\mathbf{u})/k_B T} \quad \text{Boltzmann distribution}$$

Maier-Saupe theory

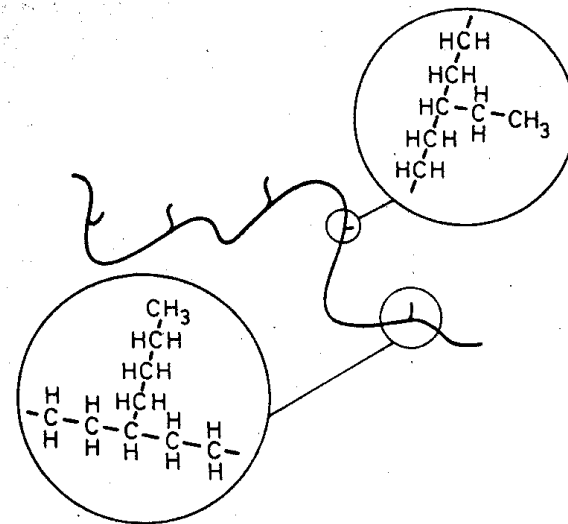
$$V_{nem}(\mathbf{u}) = V_{MS}(\mathbf{u}) \equiv const - \frac{3}{2} u_{MS} \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u} : \mathbf{S} \quad \mathbf{S} \equiv \langle \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u} \rangle - \frac{1}{3} \delta$$

Can be solved by a self-consistent calculation

# Steric – freely jointed chain



**Figure 2.8** Random walk formed from 1000 links.  
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**Fig. 1.1.** Side branched polyethylene.

# Steric – mean square distance of a freely jointed chain

$$\langle R^2 \rangle_0 = nb_n^2 = C_\infty nl^2 = Nb^2 = Lb_K = N_K b_K^2$$

$n$  # of backbone bonds

$b_n$  Length of an effective random walk

$l$  Bond length

$C_\infty \equiv \frac{b_n^2}{l^2}$  Characteristic ratio: 5~10

$N$  Degree of polymerization

$b$  Statistical segment length

$L$  Fully extended length

$b_K$  Kuhn length

$N_K = L/b_K$  # of Kuhn steps

Radius of gyration

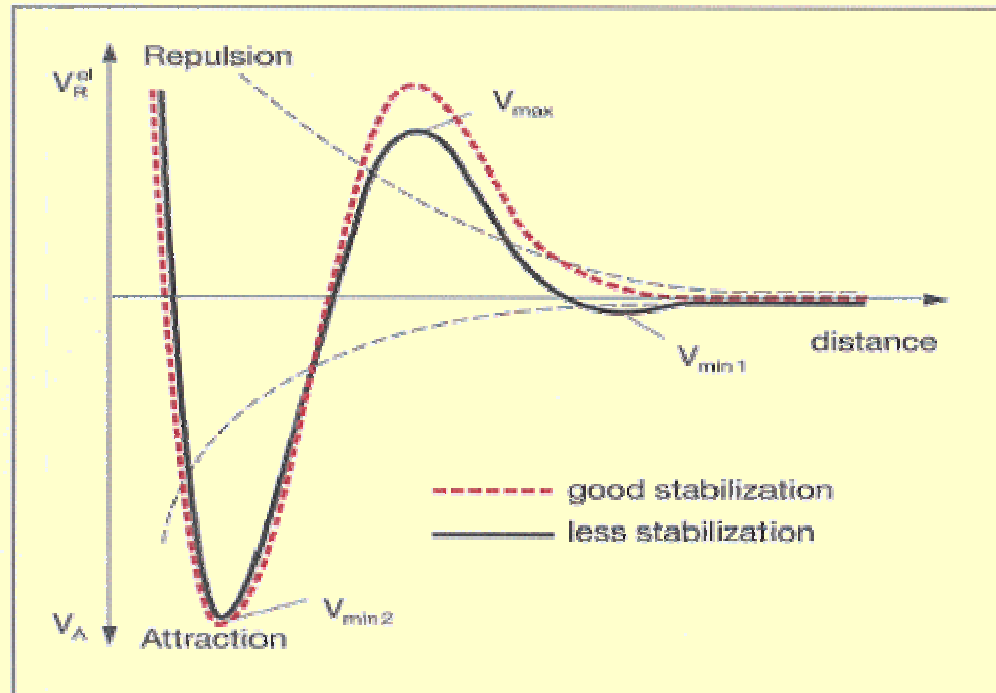
$$R_g = \frac{\langle R^2 \rangle_0^{1/2}}{\sqrt{6}}$$

# van der Waals interactions

due to correlation between the orientation of one dipole and that of its neighbors

## Lenard-Jones potential

$$W(r) = 4\epsilon \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^{12} - \left( \frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^6 \right]$$

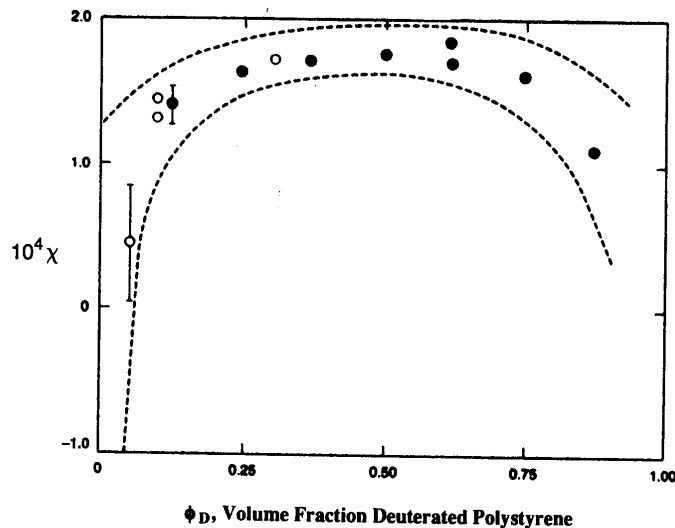


# the Flory-Huggins model: polymer-polymer mixture

$$\frac{\Delta f}{k_B T} = \frac{\phi_A \ln \phi_A}{\nu_A N_A} + \frac{\phi_B \ln \phi_B}{\nu_B N_B} + \frac{\chi}{\nu} \phi_A \phi_B$$

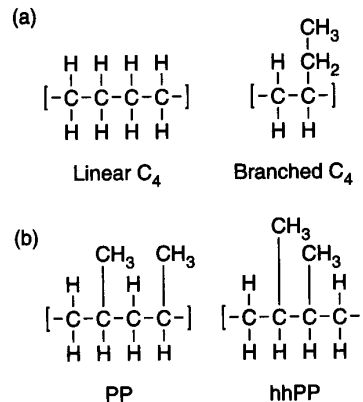
$f$ =free energy of mixing      **most polymer blends are immiscible**

$\chi = \frac{\nu_0}{k_B T} (\delta_A - \delta_B)^2$  for liquid. For polymers, not computed, but adjusted to obtain the best agreement between theory and experimental data



**Figure 2.10**  $\chi$  versus volume fraction of deuterated polystyrene in an isotopic blend of deuterated and hydrogenated polystyrenes at 160°C. The degrees of polymerization are: (●)  $N_H = 8700$ ,  $N_D = 11,500$ ; and (○)  $N_H = 15,400$ ,  $N_D = 11,500$ . The dashed lines are the error limits. (Reprinted with permission from Londono et al., *Macromolecules* 27:2864. Copyright 1994, American Chemical Society.)

$$\chi = \frac{A}{T} + B \quad UCST, LCST$$



**Figure 2.11** (a) Linear and ethyl-branched monomers that, when copolymerized together at various ratios, give polymers with a wide range of different ethyl branch content. By mixing together polymers with different levels of ethyl branching and measuring  $\chi$  by neutron scattering, theories of polymer miscibility can be tested. (b) Repeat units for polypropylene and "head-to-head" polypropylene. (Reprinted with permission from Krishnamoorti et al., *Macromolecules* 27:3073. Copyright 1994, American Chemical Society.)



# van der Waals interactions - suspensions

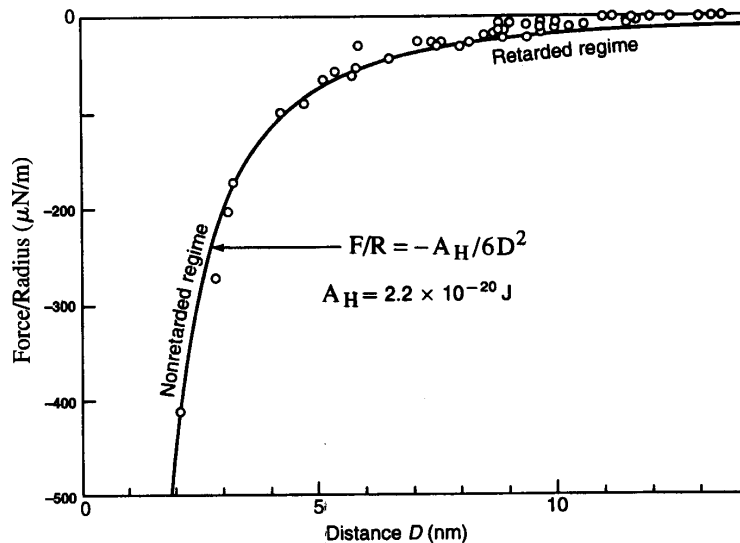
$$W_{vdw}(spheres) = -\frac{A_H}{12} \left\{ \frac{1}{(x+1)^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{(1+x)^2} + 2 \ln \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{(1+x)^2} \right] \right\}$$

$$W_{vdw}(spheres) \approx \frac{-A_H a}{12D}$$

$$W_{vdw}(flat\ plates) = \frac{-A_H}{12\pi D^2}$$

$$A_H \approx 2.2 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J}$$

Hamaker constant



**Figure 2.12** Van der Waals force  $F$  between two curved mica surfaces of radius  $R \approx 1 \text{ cm}$  in water and electrolyte solutions. The line is the fitted van der Waals force with Hamaker constant  $A_H = 2.2 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J}$ . At distances  $D$  greater than 5 nm, the force is closer to zero than predicted because of retardation effects. (From Israelachvili and Adams 1978; and Israelachvili 1992, reprinted with permission from Academic Press.)

# Electrostatic interactions

The Poisson-Boltzmann equation

Local charge imbalance close to charged surfaces due to mobile ions

Number density is given by the Boltzmann distribution

$$n_i = n_{0i} \exp(-z_i e \psi / k_B T)$$

Electric potential is determined by the Poisson-Boltzmann equation

$$\varepsilon \varepsilon_0 \nabla^2 \psi = - \sum_i z_i e n_{0i} e^{-z_i e \psi / k_B T}$$

For a symmetric electrolyte

$$\psi(x) = \frac{2k_B T}{ez} \ln \left[ \frac{1 + \gamma e^{-\kappa x}}{1 - \gamma e^{-\kappa x}} \right]$$

For a weak surface potential

$$\psi(x) \approx \frac{4k_B T}{ez} \gamma \exp(-\kappa x) \approx \psi_s \exp(-\kappa x)$$

Exponential decay with a decay length of Debye length  $\kappa^{-1}$