

# Material Property Simulation for Advanced Packaging

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# Outline

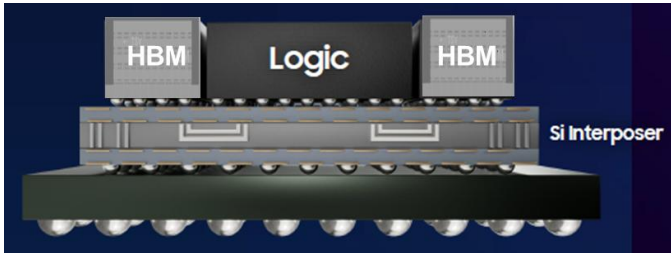
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- Challenges
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# Introduction

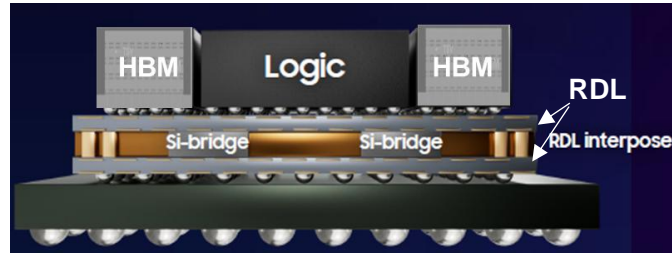
## Advanced packages on market

Smaller interconnects; Higher performance; Lower power consumption

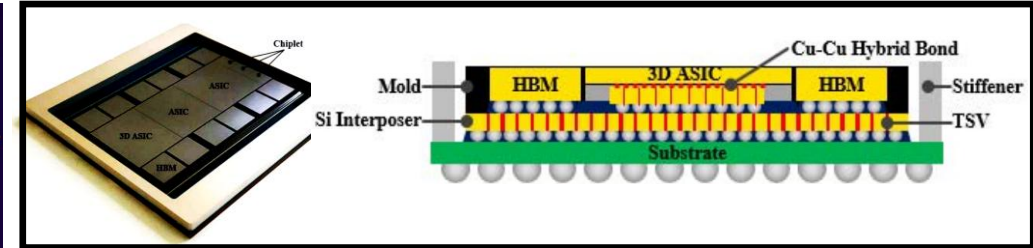
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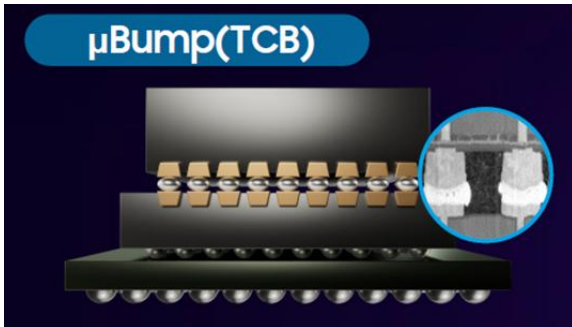
**I-Cube S:** Si interposer from Samsung



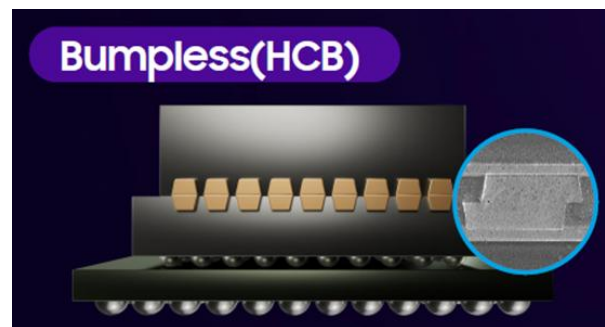
**I-Cube R/E:** Redistribution Layer (RDL) interposer (I-cube R) with the option of Embedded Si bridge (I-cube E) from Samsung



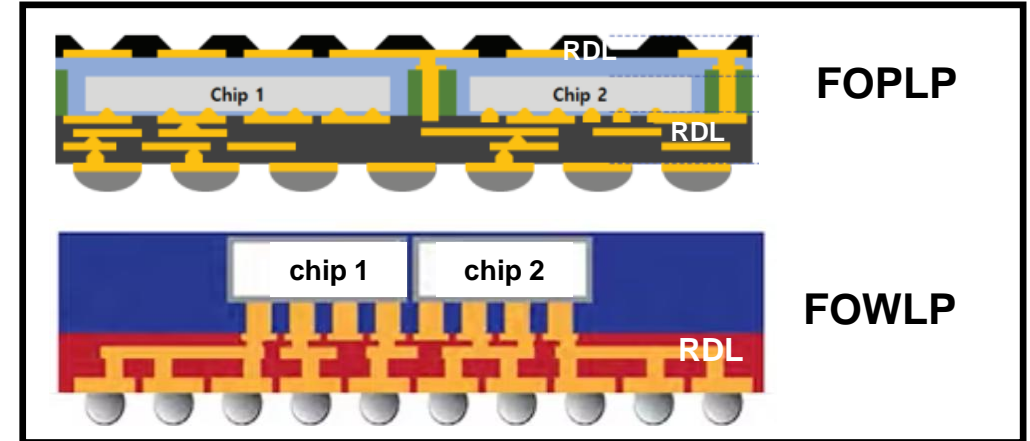
**3.5D packaging:** hybrid bonding 3D chips on Si interposer from Samsung



**X-Cube:** logic to logic die stacking-  
μBump from Samsung



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Hybrid Copper Bonding  
Samsung

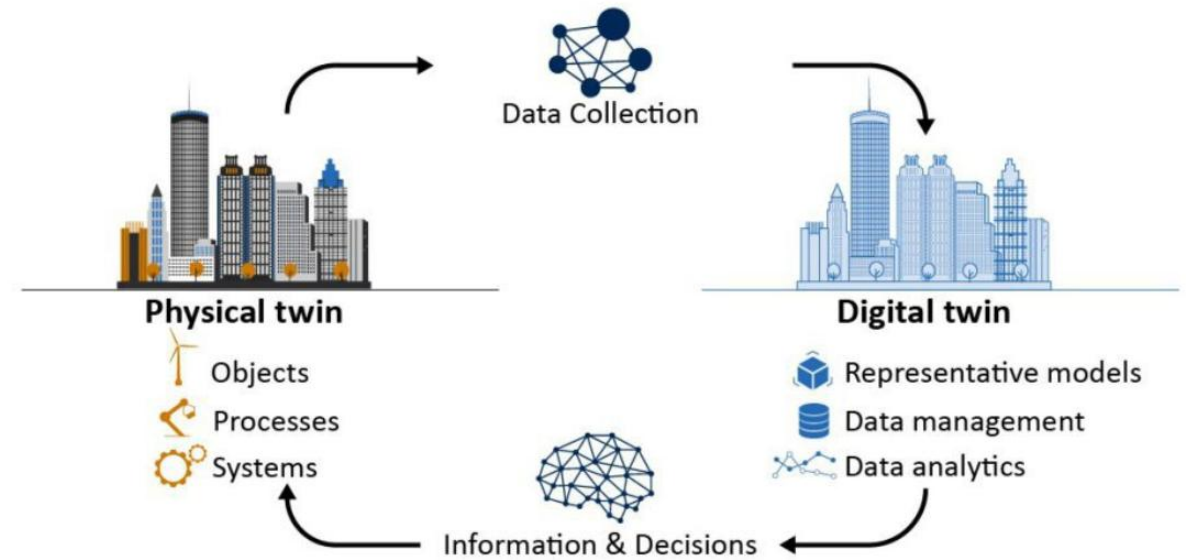


<https://ieeetv.ieee.org/video/heterogeneous-integration-platform-for-next-generation-computing-beyond-moore>

W. Kim, "Advanced Packaging in the Era of HPC and AI" Seventh Annual Symposium on Heterogeneous Integration, February, 2024.

# Introduction

- Adopting AI based methodologies to advanced packaging
- The key for an accurate simulation model is to input precise material properties
- Material property simulation of organic packaging materials



Sources: GAO; ladoga/stock.adobe.com. | GAO-23-106453

# Introduction

## Material property simulation of PID

### Undulation or non-planarity during Multilayer Patterning

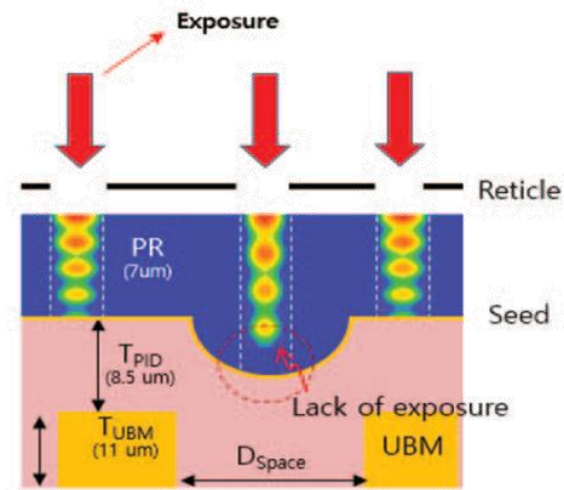


Figure 5. Assumed mechanism of open failure by the undulation of dielectric

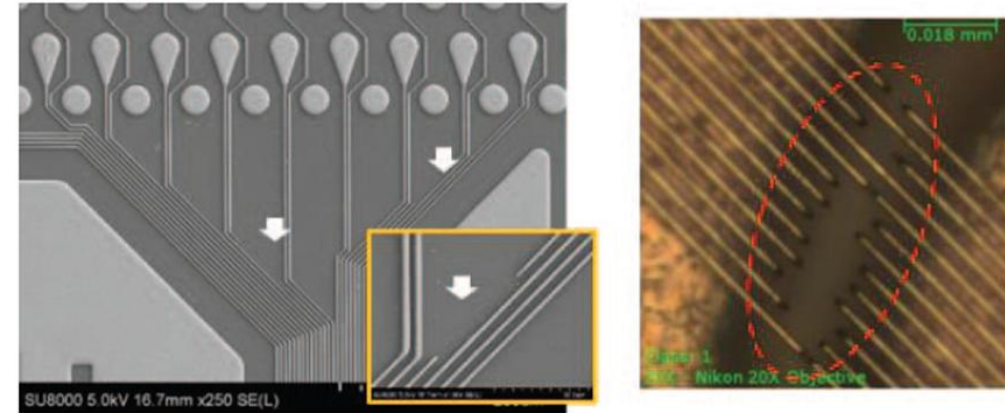


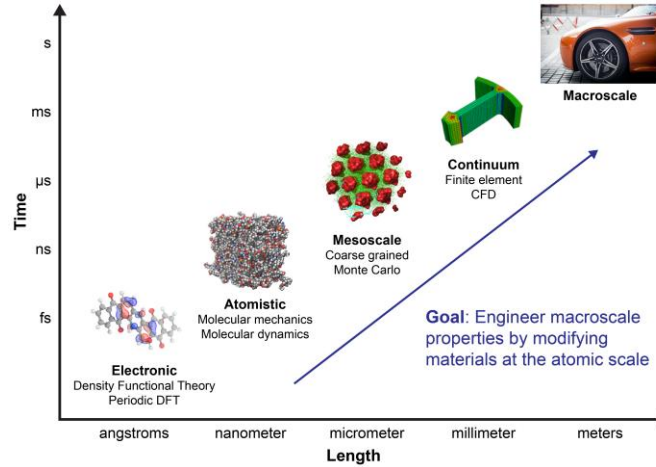
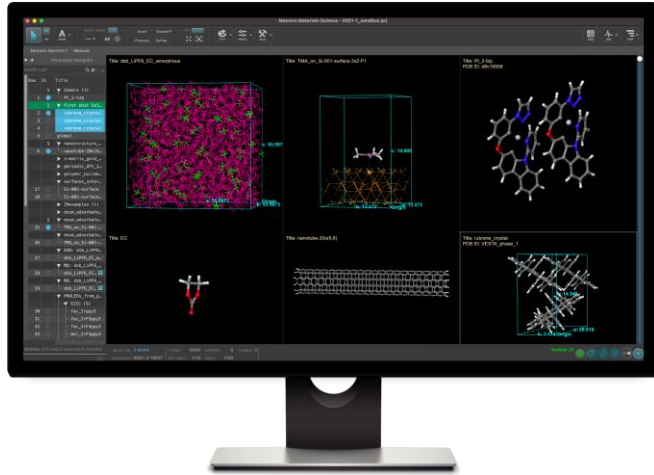
Figure 4. Top view SEM and OM images of open failure after seed etch

Open failures due to undulation in the Photo Imageable Dielectric layer (PID), which is caused by PID shrinkage during curing

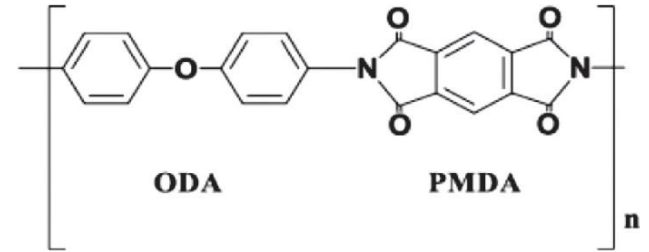
Y. Kim et. al. 2021 IEEE 71st Electronic Components and Technology Conference (ECTC)

# Molecular Simulation

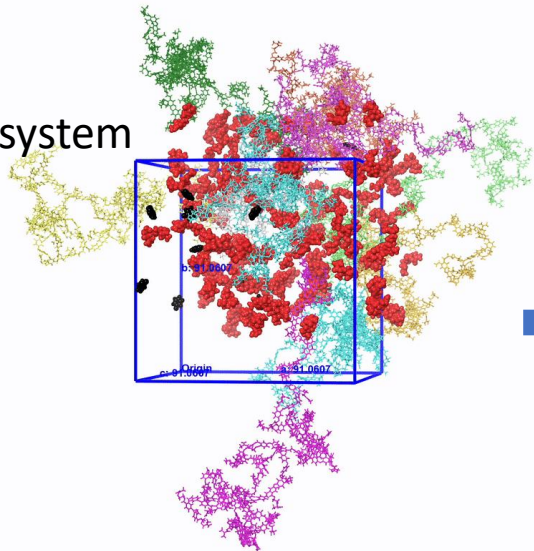
Schrödinger platform



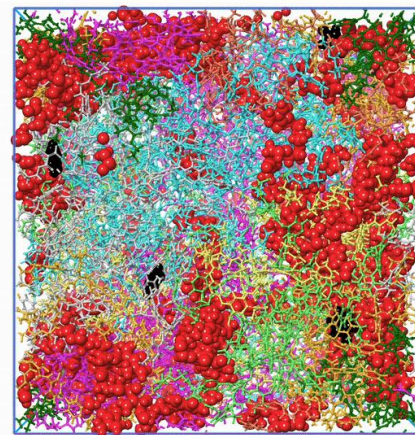
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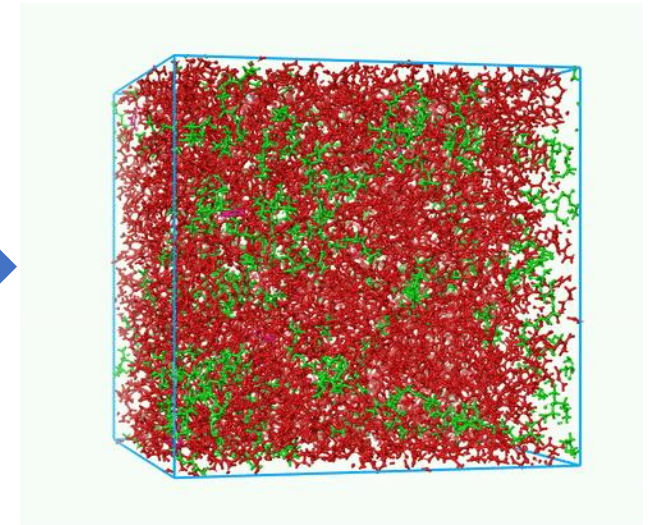
Initial system



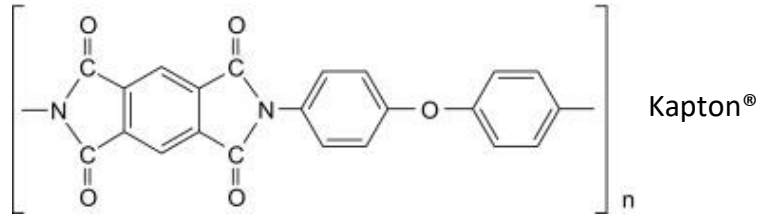
Equilibration



Crosslinking

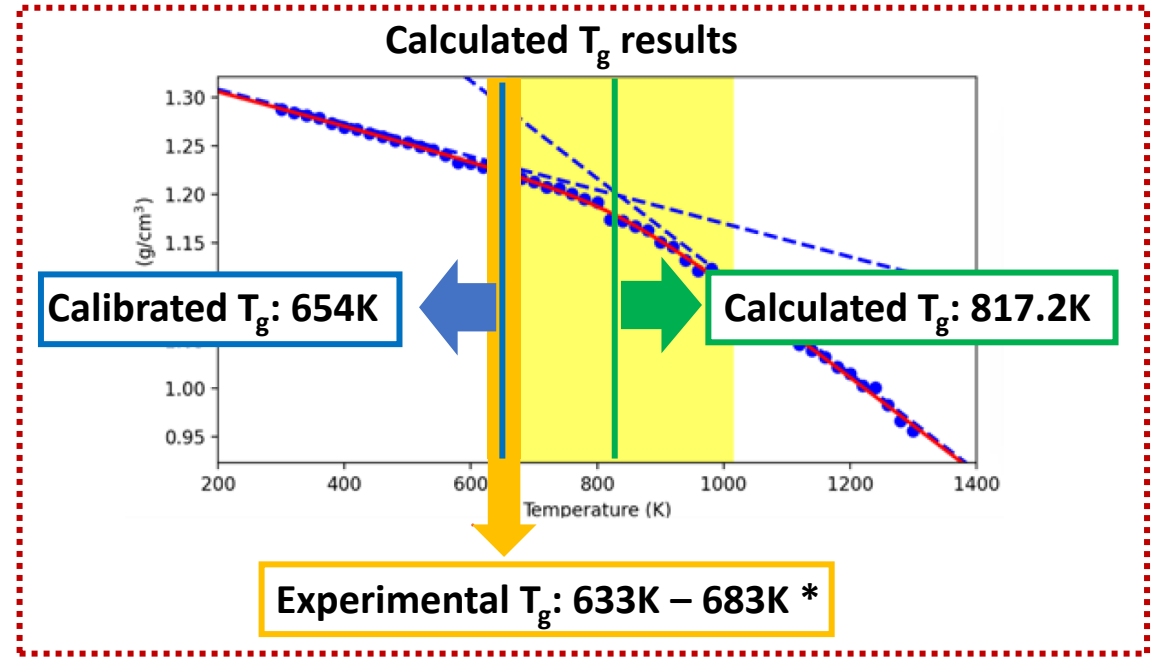
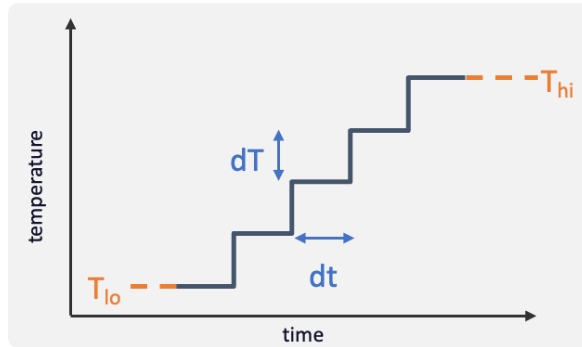


# Example of Calculation ( $T_g$ using MD)

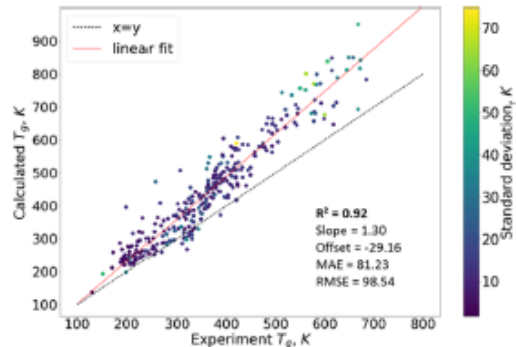


## Simulation settings:

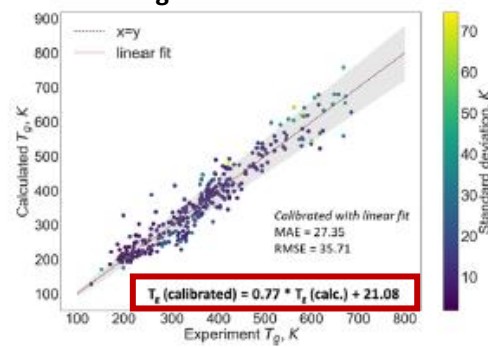
- $dT \rightarrow 10$  K
- $dt \rightarrow 5$  ns
- $(T_{hi}, T_{lo}) \rightarrow (1300$  K, 300 K)



## Validation of the Schrödinger $T_g$ protocol



Predicted  $T_g$  values against experimental ones reported in Bicerano, Table 6.2.



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Mohammad Atif Faiz Afzal et al. ACS Appl. Polym. Mater. 2021, 3, 620-630

Table 3 – Thermal Properties of Kapton® FPC Film

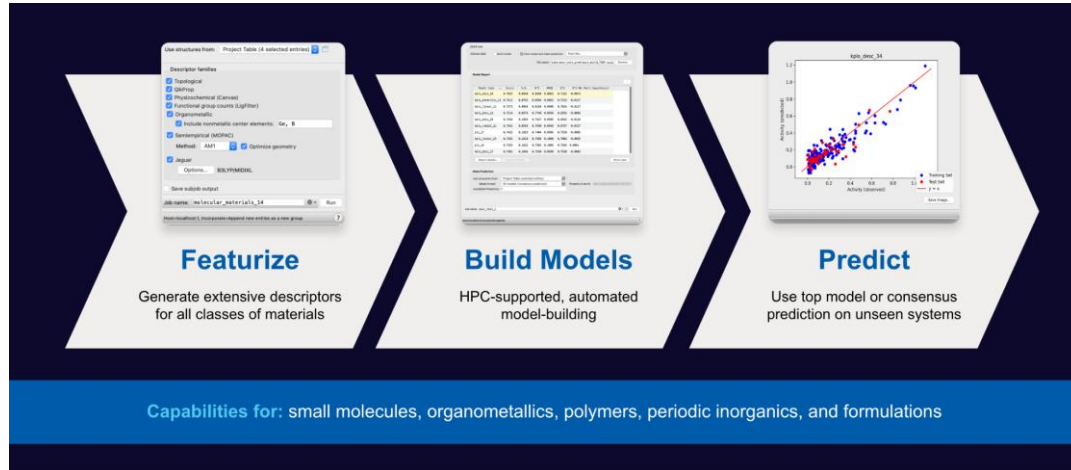
Thermal Property	Typical Value	Test Condition	Test Method
Melting Point	None	None	ASTM E-794-85 (1989)
Thermal Coefficient of Linear Expansion	20 ppm/°C (11 ppm/°F)	-14 to 38°C (7 to 100°F)	ASTM D-696-91
Coefficient of Thermal Conductivity, W/m·K (cal/cm·sec·°C)	0.12 (2.87 × 10 <sup>4</sup> )	296 K (23°C)	ASTM F-433-77 (1987)
Specific Heat, J/g·K (cal/g·°C)	1.09 (0.261)		Differential calorimetry
Heat Sealability	not heat sealable		
Solder Float	pass		IPC-TM-650, method 2.4.13A
Smoke Generation	D = <1	NBS smoke chamber	NFPA-258
Glass Transition Temperature (Tg)	A second order transition occurs in Kapton® between 360°C (680°F) and 410°C (770°F) and is assumed to be the glass transition temperature. Different measurement techniques produce different results within the above temperature range.		

\* Dupont Kapton Summary of Properties

[https://www.dupont.com/content/dam/electronics/amer/us/en/electronics/public/documents/en/EI-10142\\_Kapton-Summary-of-Properties.pdf](https://www.dupont.com/content/dam/electronics/amer/us/en/electronics/public/documents/en/EI-10142_Kapton-Summary-of-Properties.pdf)

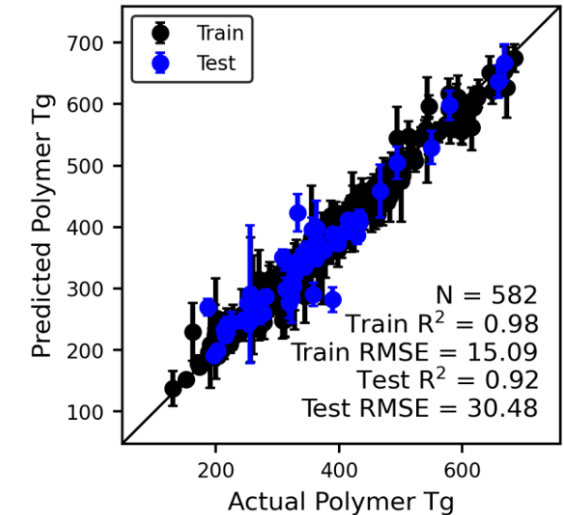
# Example of Calculation ( $T_g$ using ML)

## Schrödinger machine learning workflow for materials



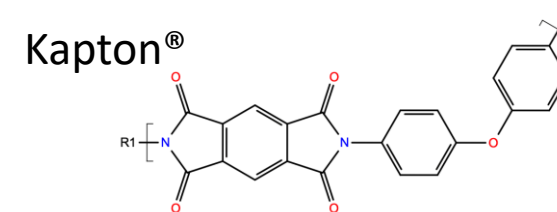
## $T_g$ machine learning model

Model Information:		
1	Molecular weight range (g/mol)	28.0 - 743.0
2	Full dataset size	582
3	Train (90%) $R^2$	0.978
4	Test (10%) $R^2$	0.916
5	Train RMSE	15.0856
6	Test RMSE	30.476
7	Chemical space	Br, C, Cl, F H, I, N, O...



Property prediction using Schrödinger pre-built ML models trained using experimental data.

Property prediction in a fraction of section!



Predicted  $T_g \rightarrow 633.1 \text{ K}$

Kapton®: Experiment  $T_g$  is 672K from Bicerano\*

\*Bicerano, Jozef. *Prediction of polymer properties*. cRc Press, 2002.

# Molecular Simulation: Mechanical Properties

## Simulation settings:

- Stress based calculation
- Uniaxial and biaxial tension
- Temperature → 330 K
- Simulation time → 100 ns
- Strain of 0.2% for 8 steps in a, b, c directions

$$\sigma = C\epsilon$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ \sigma_2 \\ \sigma_3 \\ \sigma_4 \\ \sigma_5 \\ \sigma_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & C_{13} & C_{14} & C_{15} & C_{16} \\ C_{12} & C_{22} & C_{23} & C_{24} & C_{25} & C_{26} \\ C_{13} & C_{23} & C_{33} & C_{34} & C_{35} & C_{36} \\ C_{14} & C_{24} & C_{34} & C_{44} & C_{45} & C_{46} \\ C_{15} & C_{25} & C_{35} & C_{45} & C_{55} & C_{56} \\ C_{16} & C_{26} & C_{36} & C_{46} & C_{56} & C_{66} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \epsilon_3 \\ 2\epsilon_5 \\ 2\epsilon_5 \\ 2\epsilon_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

## • Properties from the workflow

- Universal Anisotropy, Shear Anisotropy, Lamé Lambda, Lamé Mu, Young's Modulus, Shear Modulus, Lamé Bulk Modulus, Poisson Ratio

## Calculated properties

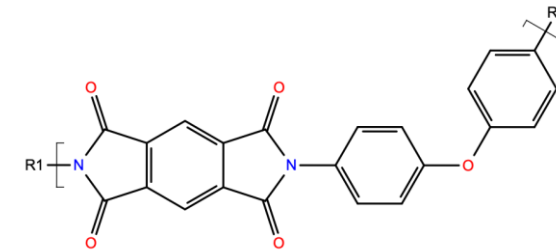
Young's modulus (MPa): 2423

Bulk modulus (MPa): 4497

Shear modulus (MPa): 859

Universal elastic anisotropy: 0.497

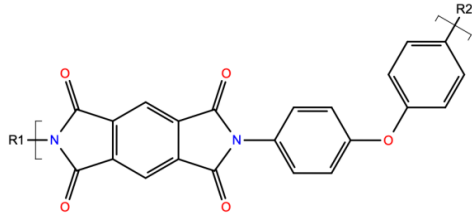
Isotropic Poisson ratio: 0.410



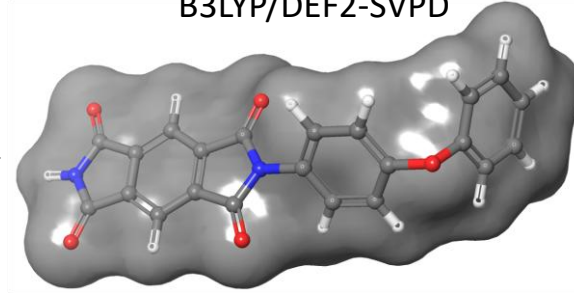
Exp. Young's Modulus → 2760 MPa

# Molecular Simulation: Dielectric Properties

Example polymer structure



Quantum mechanics  
(Density functional theory)  
B3LYP/DEF2-SVPD



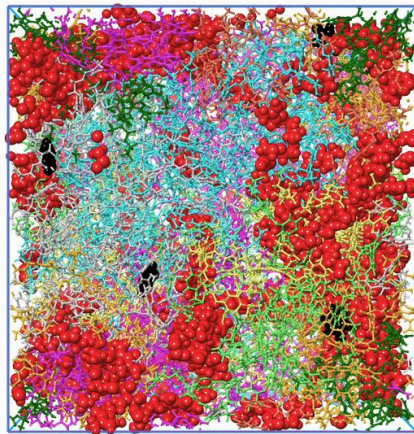
Polarizability

Physics-based  
Dk, Df, and RI

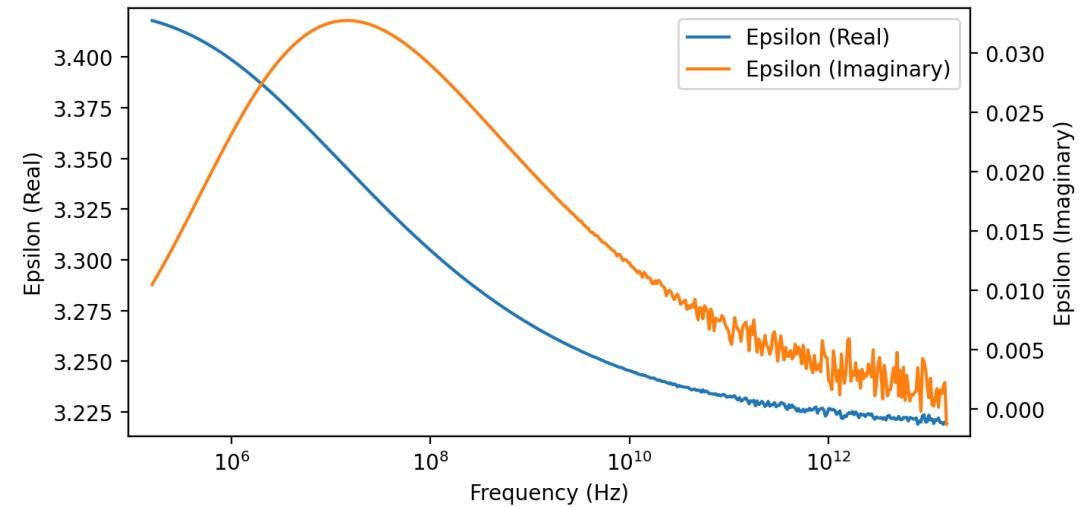
Density + Dipole moment

Molecular dynamics simulations

Time: 50 ns  
Ensemble: NVE  
T: 300 K  
Chain length:  
27 monomer



Calculated properties  
RI  $\rightarrow$  1.79  
Dk (at  $10^{10}$  Hz)  $\rightarrow$  3.25  
Df (at  $10^{10}$  Hz)  $\rightarrow$  0.012

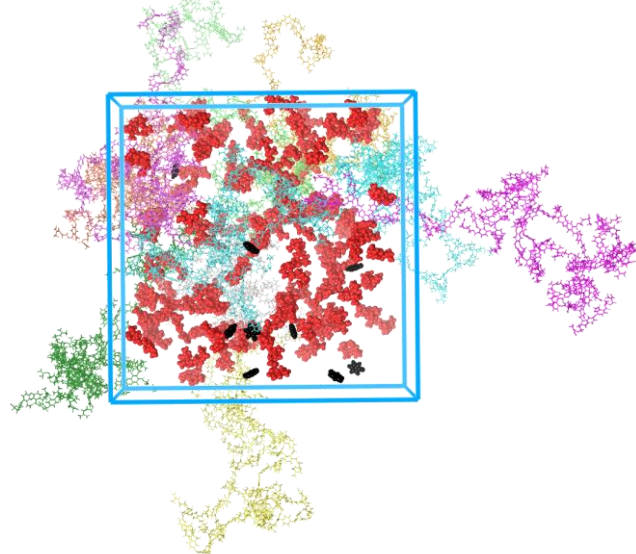


# Molecular Simulation: Volume Shrinkage

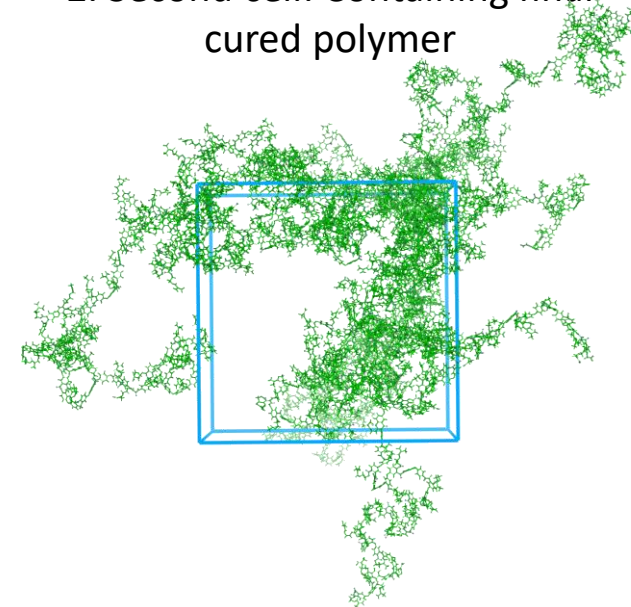
## Simulation settings:

- Simulate two systems
  - First simulation cell: precursor + photo initiator + crosslinker
  - Second simulation cell: pure PI system after curing
- Keep polymer stoichiometry same in both system
- Perform multi-stage simulation at 300K and obtain equilibrated structure
- Take volume % change between 1 and 2

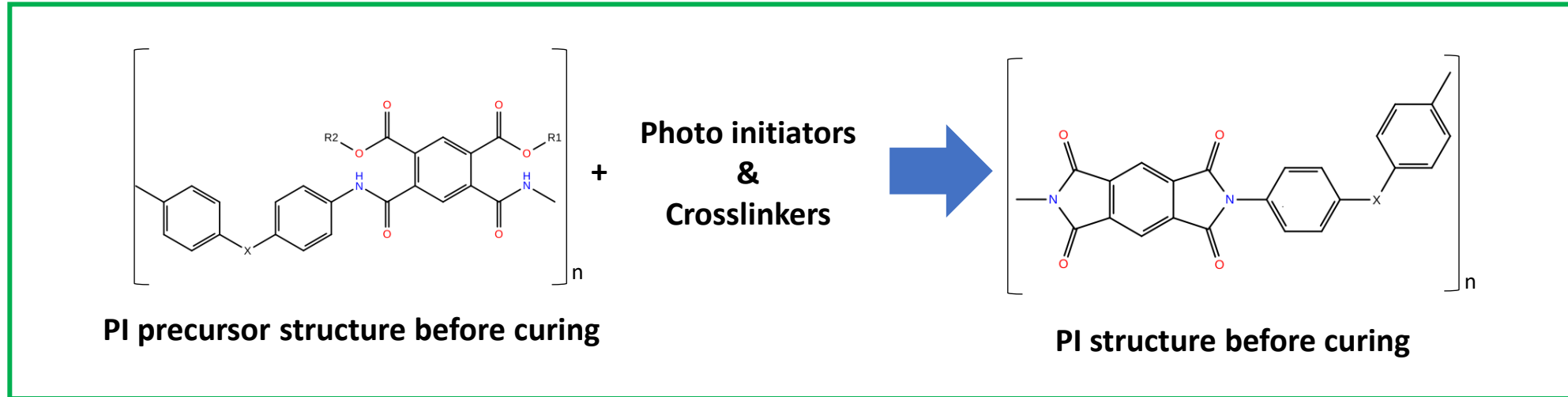
1. First cell: Containing precursor, crosslinker and photo initiator



2. Second cell: Containing final cured polymer



# PID Material Property Calculations



- Kept polymer stoichiometry same in both systems.
- Equilibrium at room temperature.
- Volume change of 37% vs. 30% of experimental value

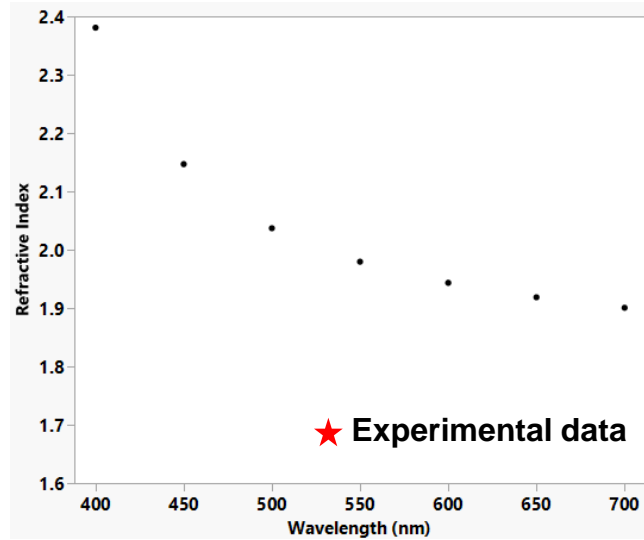
Material	BL-s	BM-s	PBO	Phenolic polymer
Cure temp. [deg.C]	200	200	350	220
5% wt loss temp deg.C	335	335	480	330
Tg deg.C	200	220	300	230
CTE ppm/K	60	50	60	35
Modulus GPa	3.5	4.8	2.7	3.8
Tensile strength MPa	130	150	140	135
Elongation %	50	30	45	25
Residual stress MPa	19	19	35	15
Adhesion (Si) MPa	> 70	> 70	>70	>70

Table 1. Typical properties of dielectric material

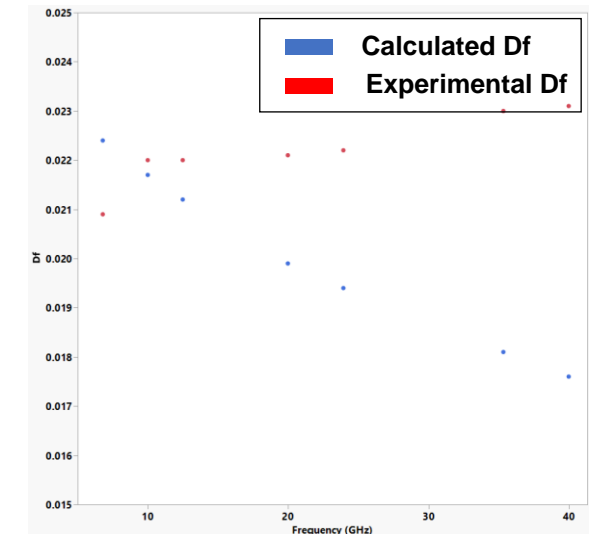
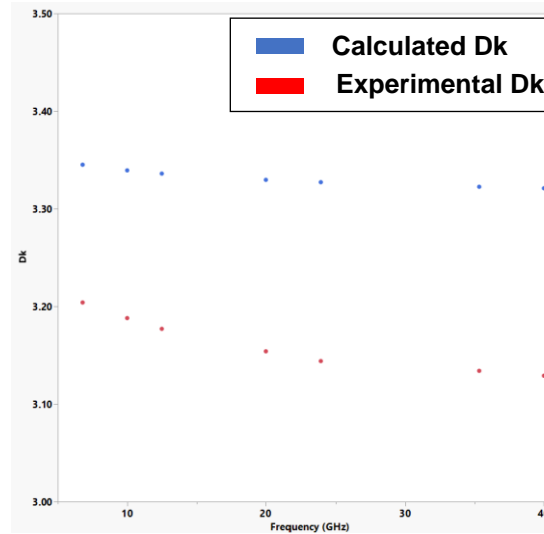
Nobuhiro Anzai et, Proc. IEEE Electronic Components & Technology Conference, 2014, 829-835

# PID Material Property Calculations

## Refractive Index



## Dielectric constants

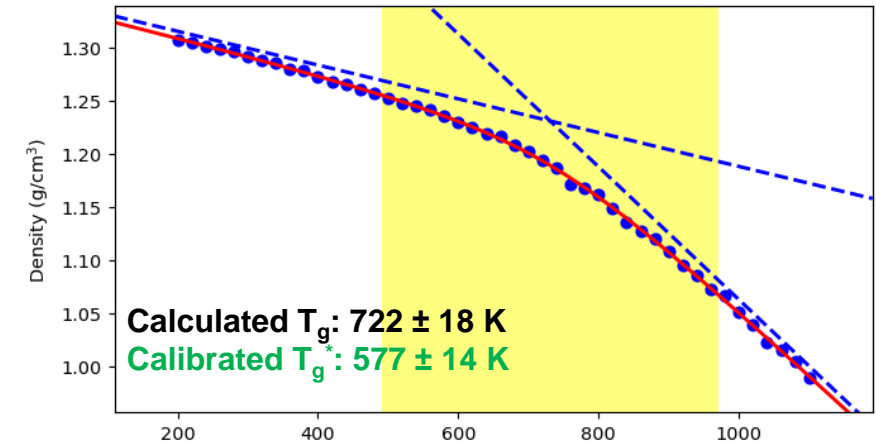


### Properties

### Discrepancy to the experimental values

$T_g$	Up to 18%
$D_f$	Up to 6%
$D_k$	Up to 23%
Young's modulus	~15%
Refractive Index	16% at 530nm wavelength
Volume shrinkage	~18%

## Glass Transition Temperature



# Challenges

- **Bridging the gap between simulation data and experiment data**
  - Narrowing the 6%-23% difference between simulation and experiment.
  - Accounting for density and functional groups.
  - Integrating formulated materials into models could give better experimental alignment.

**Next Step: Include the impact of additional ingredients or impurities in simulation**



# Conclusion and Next Plan

- Simulation and AI assisted process optimization, yield and reliability prediction to shorten product development cycle time.
- Accurate material properties under test conditions are crucial.
- Need to establish reliable material simulation methodology.