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APPENDIX I

In the copolymerization of two monomers to high polymer essentially all of the monomer is consumed in the propagation steps involving four different propagation rate constants $[k_{11}, k_{22}, k_{12}, k_{21}]$ in Equation (1)-(4)].

$$M_1^* + M_1 \longrightarrow M_1^*$$
 (1)

$$M_1^* + M_2 \xrightarrow{k_{12}} M_2^*$$
 (2)

$$M_2^* + M_2 \xrightarrow{k_{22}} M_2^*$$
 (3)

$$M_2^* + M_1 \xrightarrow{K_{21}} M_1^*$$
 (4)

Monomer M₁ depleted by reaction (1) and (4), while monomer M₂ depleted by reaction (2) and (3). The rates of depletion of the two monomers which relate with their rates of entry into the copolymer chain are given by

$$-\frac{d[M_1]}{dt^2} = k_{11}[M_1^*][M_1] + k_{21}[M_2^*][M_1]$$
 4(5)

$$-\frac{d[M_2]}{dt} = k_{12}[M_1^*][M_2] + k_{22}[M_2^*][M_2]$$
 (6)

Dividing (5) by (6) yields ratio of rates at which monomer enters copolymer, which is basically the copolymer composition.

$$\frac{d[M_1]}{d[M_2]} = \frac{k_{11}[M_1^*][M_1] + k_{21}[M_2^*][M_1]}{k_{12}[M_1^*][M_2] + k_{22}[M_2^*][M_2]}$$
(7)

By assuming that the reactivity depends only on the terminal unit and making the steady-state assumption for these free-radical species.

$$k_{21}[M_2^*][M_1] = k_{12}[M_1^*][M_2]$$
 (8)

The reactivity ratios are defined as $r_1 = \frac{k}{k_{12}}$, $r_2 = \frac{k}{k_{21}}$

equation (7) can be rearranged and combined with equation (8) to yield

$$\frac{d[M_1]}{d[M_2]} = \frac{[M_1] (r_1[M_1] + [M_2])}{[M_2] ([M_1] + r_2[M_2])}$$
(9)

equation (9) is known as the copolymer equation where $\frac{d[M_1]}{d[M_2]}$ is the molar ratio in copolymer and $[M_1]$ is monomer charge ratio.

The copolymer equation [eq.(9)] can be transformed into mole fractions which are frequently more useful, f_1 , f_2 and F_1 , F_2 are mole fractions of monomer M_1 and M_2 in feed and copolymer, respectively.

$$f_1 = 1 - f_2 = \frac{[M_1]}{[M_1] + [M_2]}$$
 (10)

$$F_1 = 1 - F_2 = \frac{d[M]}{d[M_1]} + \frac{1}{d[M_2]}$$
 (11)

Combining eq.(10) and (11) with eq.(9) yields

$$F_1 = \frac{r_1 f_1^2 + f_1 f_2}{r_1 f_1^2 + 2f_1 f_2 + r_2 f_2^2}$$
 (12)

and
$$F_1 = \frac{f_1(r_1f_1 + f_2)}{f_2(r_2f_2 + f_1)}$$
 (13)

Equation (12) gives the copolymer composition as the mole fraction of monomer feeding and is often more convenient to use.

Most procedures for evaluating r_1 and r_2 involve the experimental determination of the copolymer composition for several different comonomer feed compositions. The experimental data can be analysed in several ways. One very useful method involves equation

(13) rearranged in the form

$$\frac{f(F-1)}{F} = r_1 \frac{f^2}{F} - r_2 \tag{14}$$

Equation (14) is known as the Fineman-Ross equation. The left side of this equation is plotted against the coefficient of r_1 to yield a straight line with slope = r_1 and intercept = $-r_2$.

The differential equation (9) can be applied directly in experiments where the relative concentrations of the unreacted monomers remain essentially constant. In most monomer systems, unless the conversions are very low, use of the integrated form is necessary for accuracy.



APPENDIX II

Equation (9) in Appendix I has been integrated to yield

$$\frac{\log[M_2]}{[M_2]_0} = \frac{r_2 \log[M_1][M_2]_0}{1-r_2} - \frac{(1-r_1r_2)}{[M_2][M_1]_0} \frac{\log((r_1-1)([M_1]/[M_2])-r_2+1)}{(r_1-1)([M_1]_0/[M_2]_0)-r_2+1} \dots (15)$$

where [M1]0 and [M2]0 represent the initial concentrations of monomer M, and M2, respectively. Direct application of eq.(15) is very difficult, but it has been transformed into

$$r_{2} = \frac{\log[M_{2}]_{0} - 1 \log(1 - P[M_{1}]/[M_{2}])}{[M_{2}]_{0} + [M_{1}]_{0}/[M_{2}]_{0})}$$

$$\frac{\log[M_{1}]_{0} + \log(1 - P[M_{1}]/[M_{2}])}{[M_{1}]_{0}/[M_{2}]_{0}}$$

$$P = (1 - r_{1})$$
(17)

where

Equation (16) is known as the Mayo-Lewis equation for high The reactivity ratios, r, and r, are evaluated graphically as follows. In a single copolymerization, concentration of monomers at the start of reaction ([M,],[M,]) and at the point where the reaction is stopped ([M,],[M,]) determined experimentally and substituted in eq.(16). Since equation deals only with ratios of concentrations, concentrations may be expressed in moles per chosen weight or volume. Arbitrary (positive or negative) values of the parameter, P, chosen (at first by trial and error) to give points in a significant region, are substituted in eq.(16), yielding corresponding values of r_2 ; r_1 is then calculated from equation (17) for each value of P. These values of P are now of no further use. In this study, values of r_1 and r_2 are plotted with r_1 as ordinate and r_2 as abscissa. The plot corresponding to a single experiment is a practically straight line. Other experiment over a wide range of monomer feed compositions is necessary to give an accurate solution for r_1 and r_2 , represented by the center of gravity of the triangular intersection of the three lines.

Sample calculation using equation (16)

For run VIII-80 of the MMA-4-C1-3-MPA system

$$r_2 = \frac{0.3125 - \frac{1}{P} \frac{\log(1-0.1236P)}{(1-0.2891P)}}{0.6813 + \log(1-0.1236P)}$$

For P equal to -0.3, -0.6 and 0.3, respectively, r_2 = 0.3704, 0.3865 and 0.3349. Inserting these respective values of P and r_2 in eq.(17) gives r_1 = 1.1888, 1.3680 and 0.8004. The linear equation of these points (r_1, r_2) is r_1 = 11.460 r_2 -3.061 with correlation coefficient = 0.999.

The basic program for determining r_1 and r_2 from equation (16) and (17).

- 15 REM M₁₀, M₂₀ = INITIAL MONOMER CONC ;M₁, M₂ = MONOMER CONC AT A GIVEN MOMENT
 - 20 INPUT "M10=";M10
 - 22 INPUT "M₁ =";M₁
 - 24 INPUT "M20=";M20
 - 30 INPUT "M2 ="; M2

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60
         INPUT "NO. OF LOOP Z = ";Z
         FOR I = 1 TO Z
 70
 80
         INPUT "P=";P
         A = LOG(M_{20}/M_2)
 90
         B = (1/P)*(LOG((1-(P*X_1))/(1-(P*X_0))))
100
         C = LOG(M_{10}/M_1)
110
         D = LOG((1-(P*X_1))/(1-(P*X_0)))
120
         PRINT "A=";A, "B=";B, "C=";C, "D=";D
130
         R = ((A-B)/(C+D))
140
         R_2 = R
150
         R_1 = (1-(P*(1-R_2)))
160
         PRINT "I=";I, "P=";P, "R2=";R2, "R1=";R1
200
         NEXT I
220
300
         END
 Sample output
                  R2=0.3349604 R1=0.8004881
       P=0.3
 P=? -0.3
                                  R<sub>1</sub>=1.188879
I=2 P=-0.3 R<sub>2</sub>=0.3704037
 P=? -1.2
 I=3 P=-1.2 R<sub>2</sub>=0.4162936 R<sub>1</sub>=1.700448
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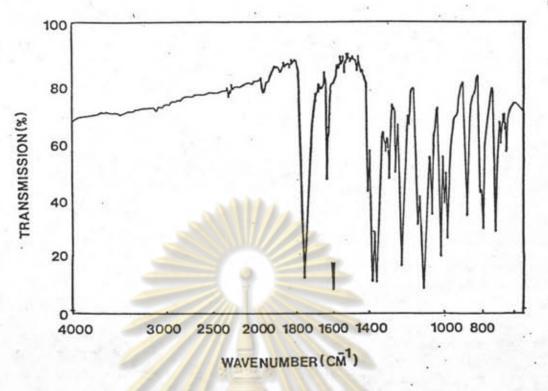


Fig. 1 IR spectrum of PCPA (KBr)

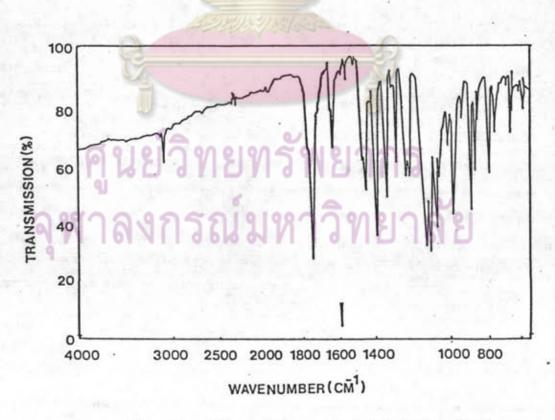


Fig. 2 IR spectrum of 2,4,5-TCPA (KBr)

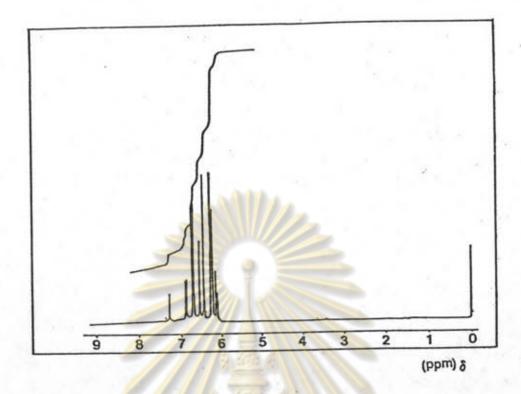


Fig. 5 H-NMR spectrum of PCPA

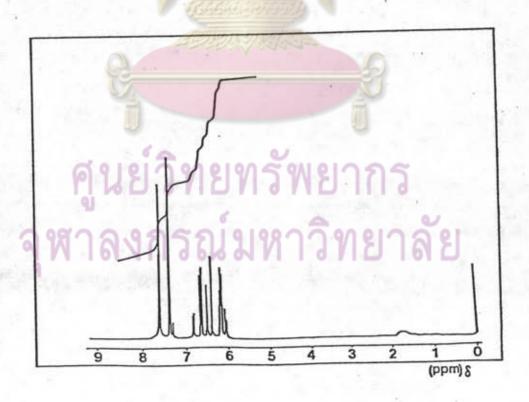


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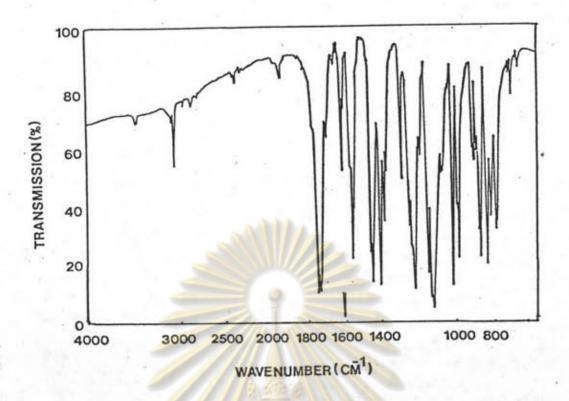


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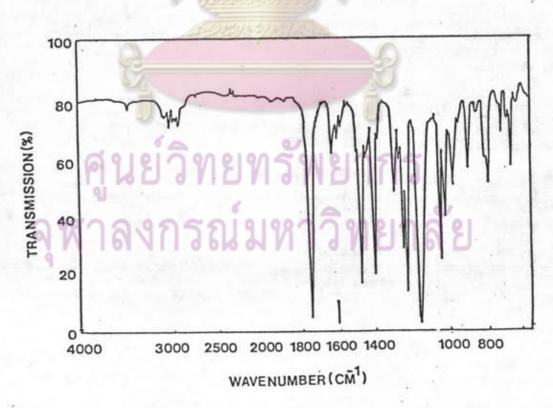


Fig. 4 IR spectrum of 4-C1-3-MPA (NaCl)

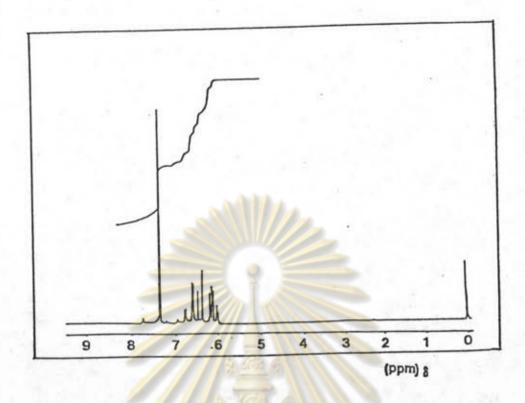


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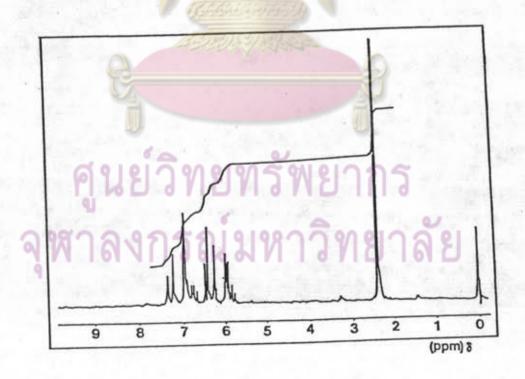


Fig. 8 H-NMR spectrum of 4-Cl-3-MPA

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