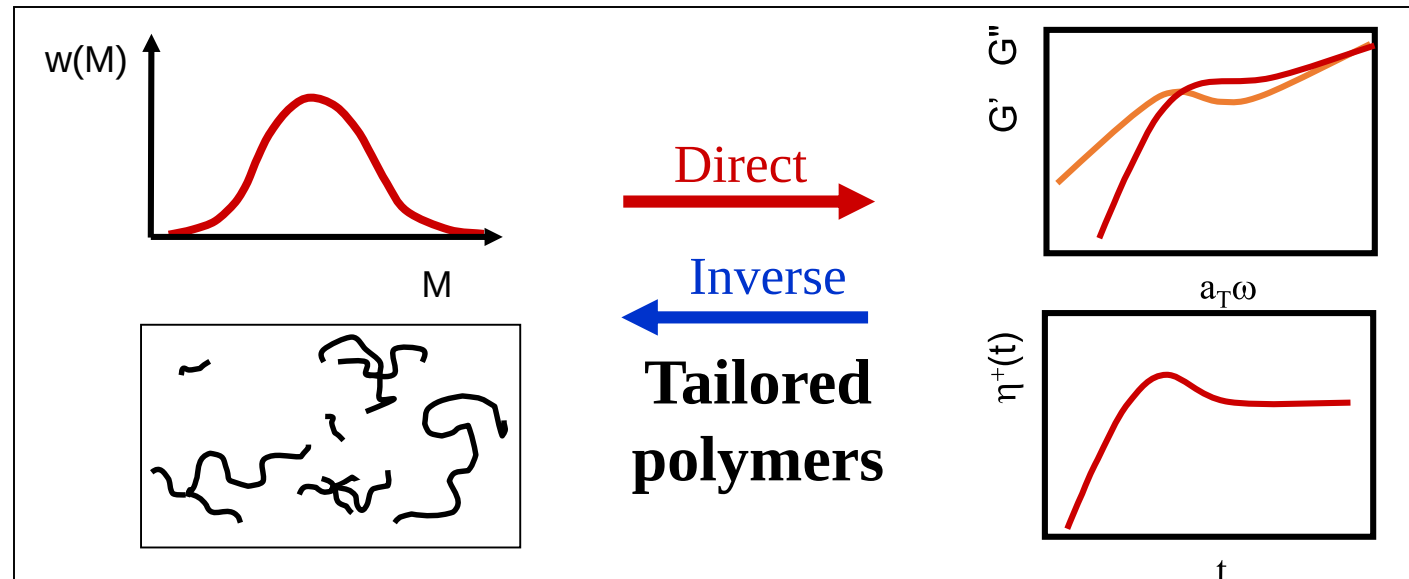


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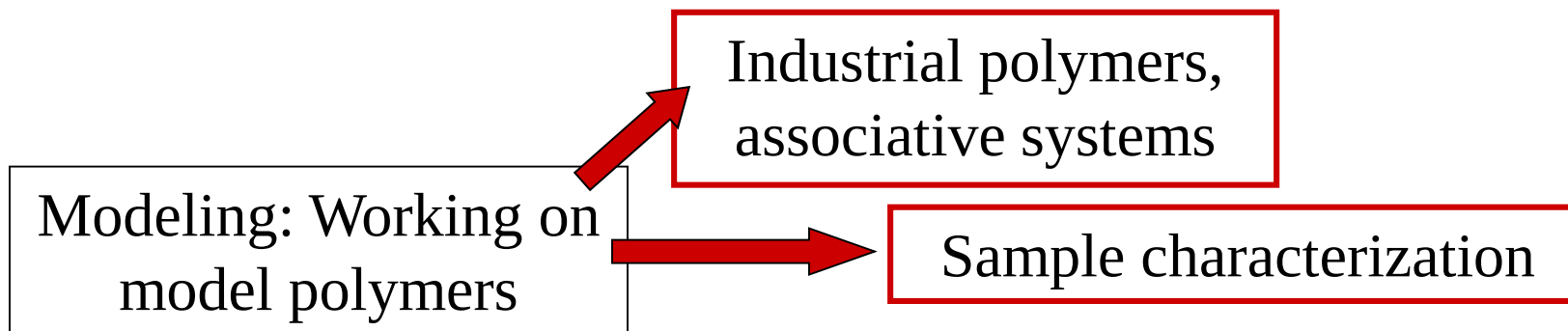
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Molecular structure of the polymer melt,
Nature of the polymer

Linear viscoelastic properties
(storage and loss moduli, viscosity)



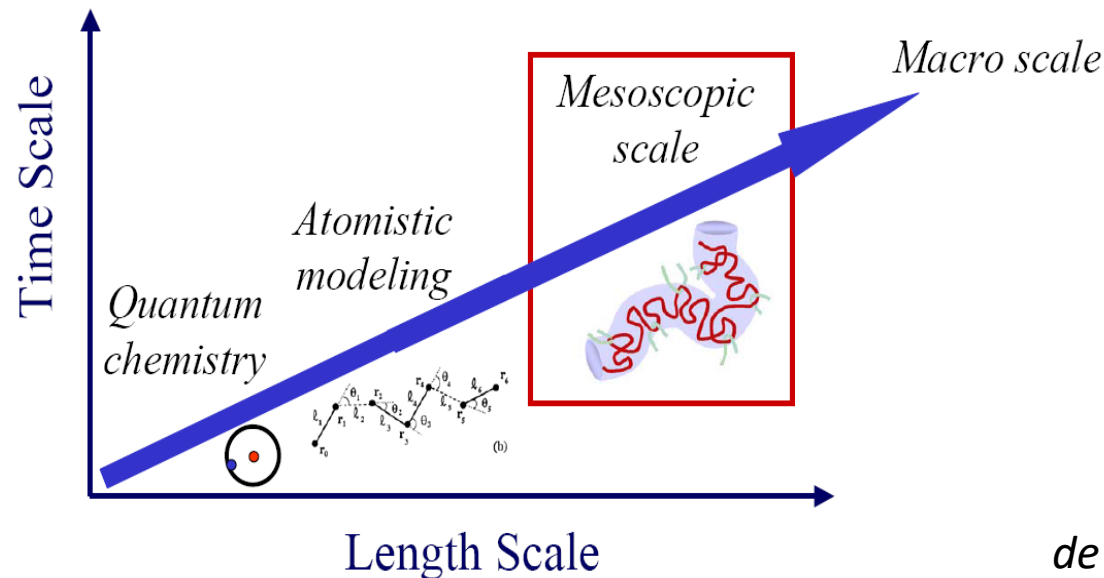
Modelling the viscoelastic behavior of telechelic polymer



Modulus governed by the
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Tube-based model

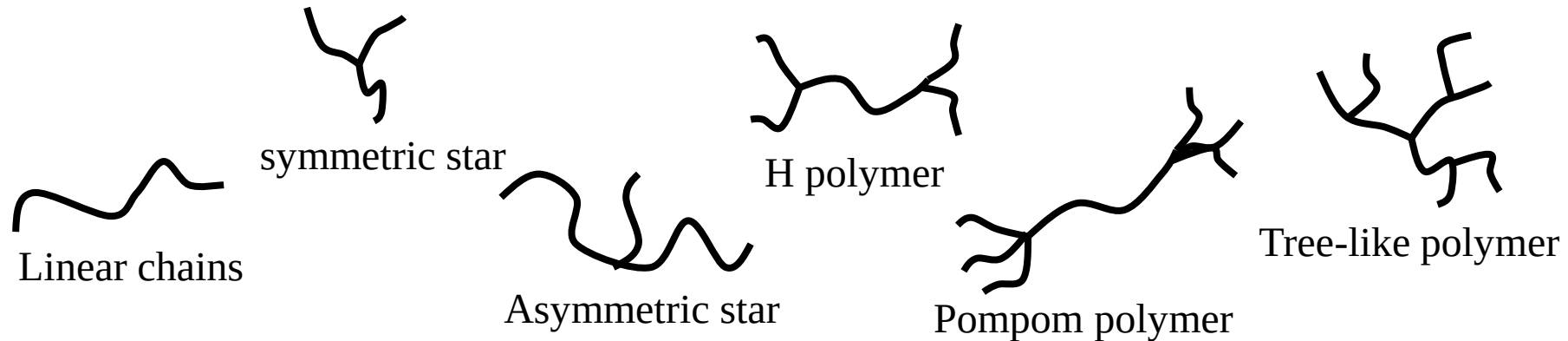


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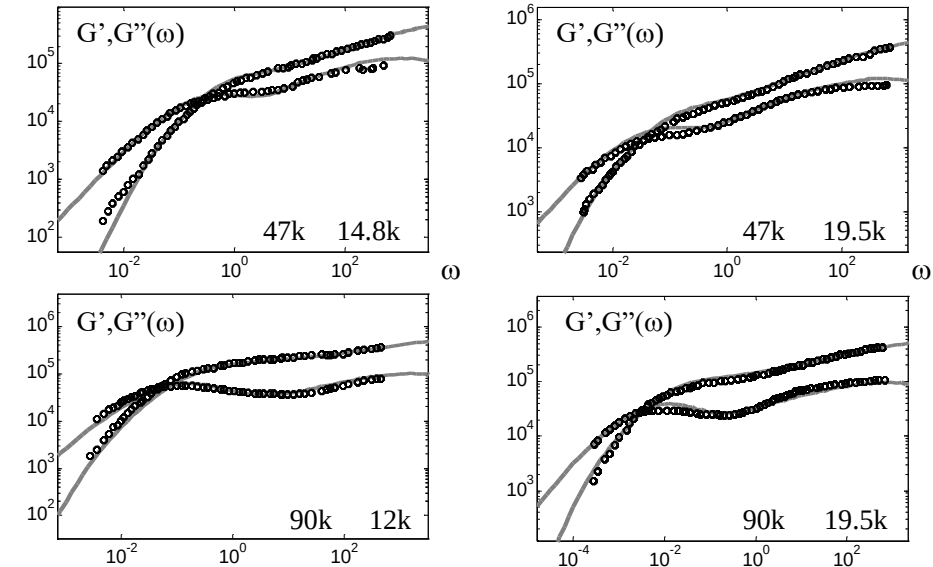
$$M_e, \tau_e, G_0^N = \frac{4}{5} \frac{\rho RT}{M_e}$$

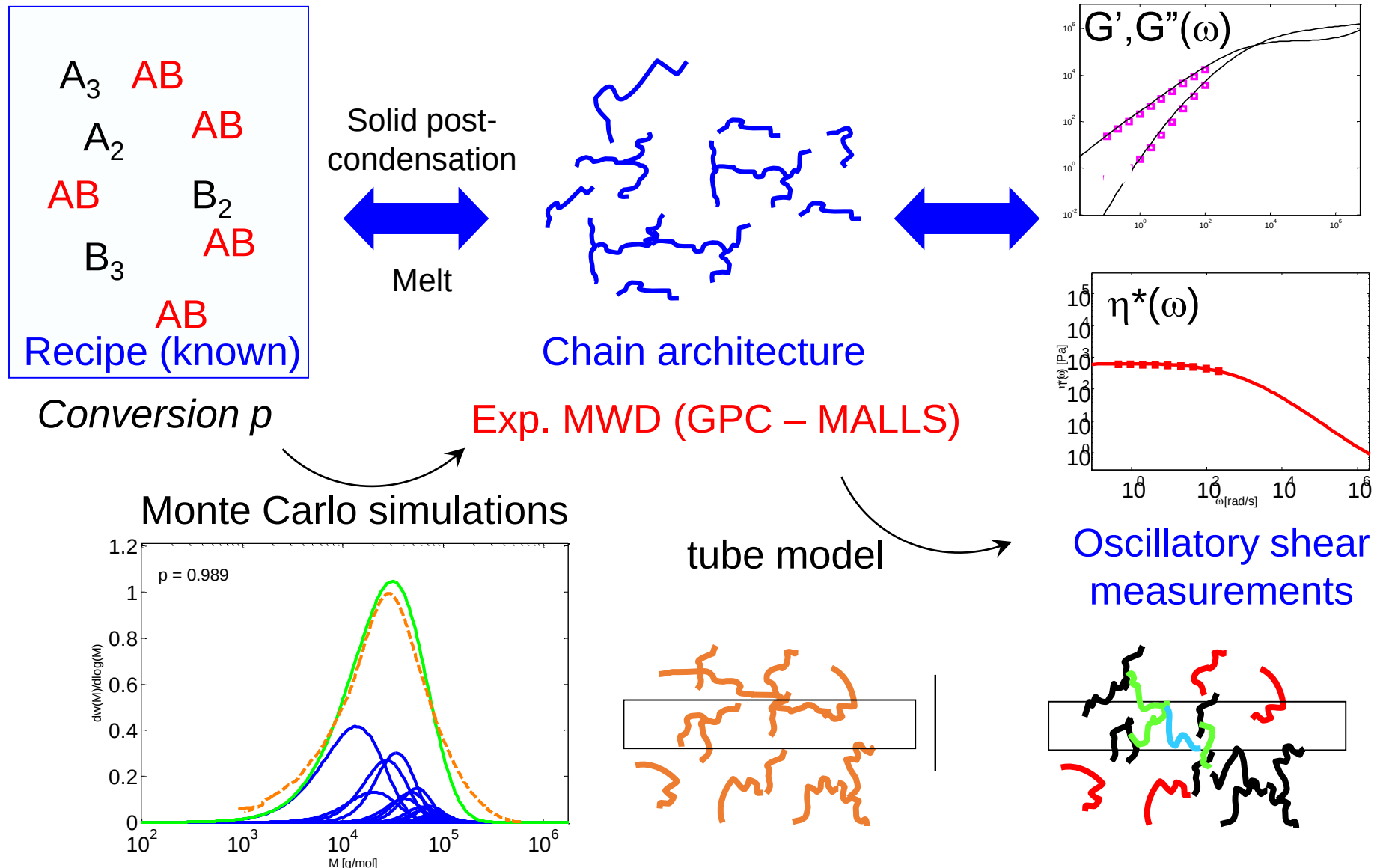
de Gennes 1971, Doi & Edwards, 1969

Models branched polymers:

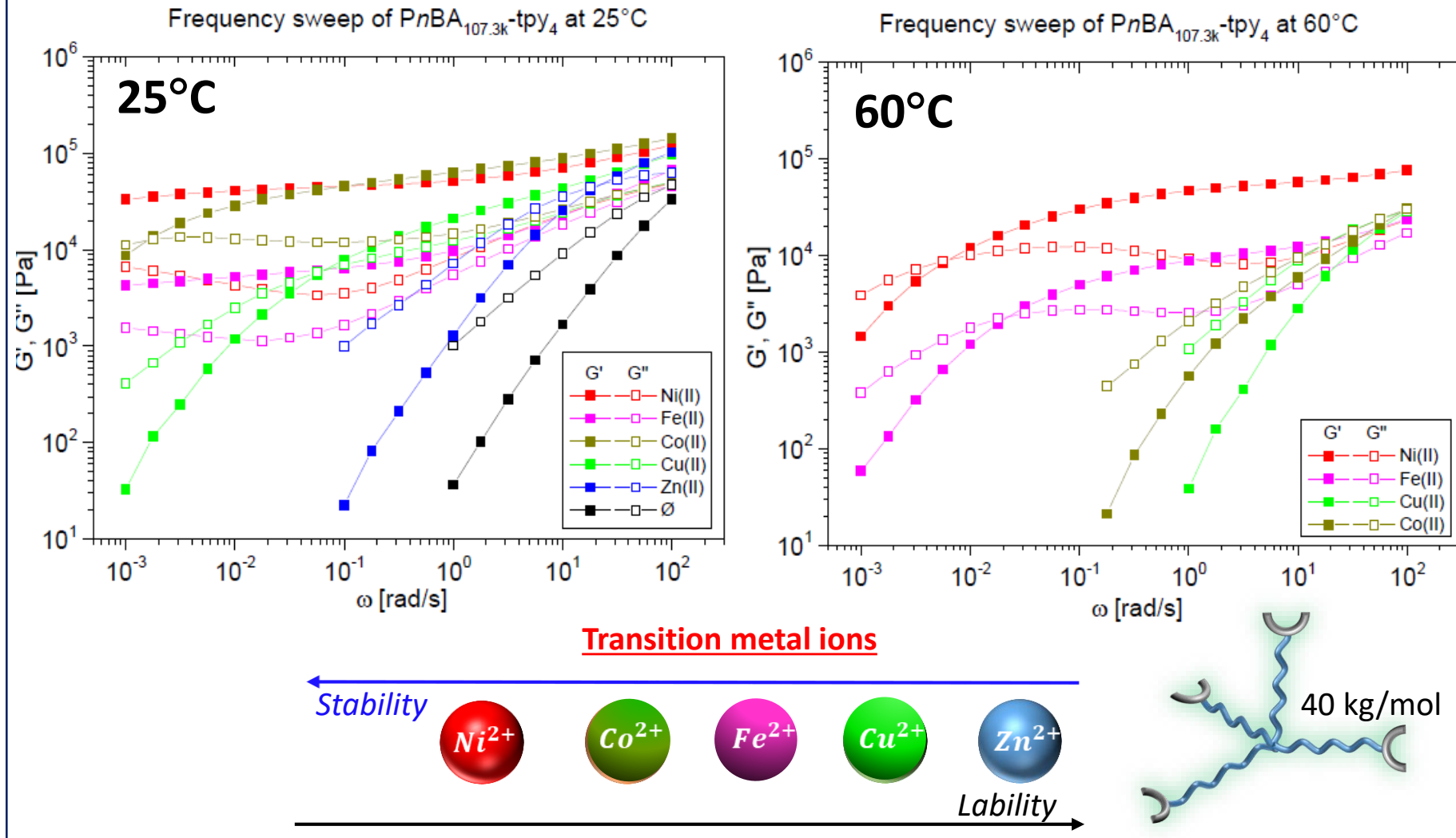


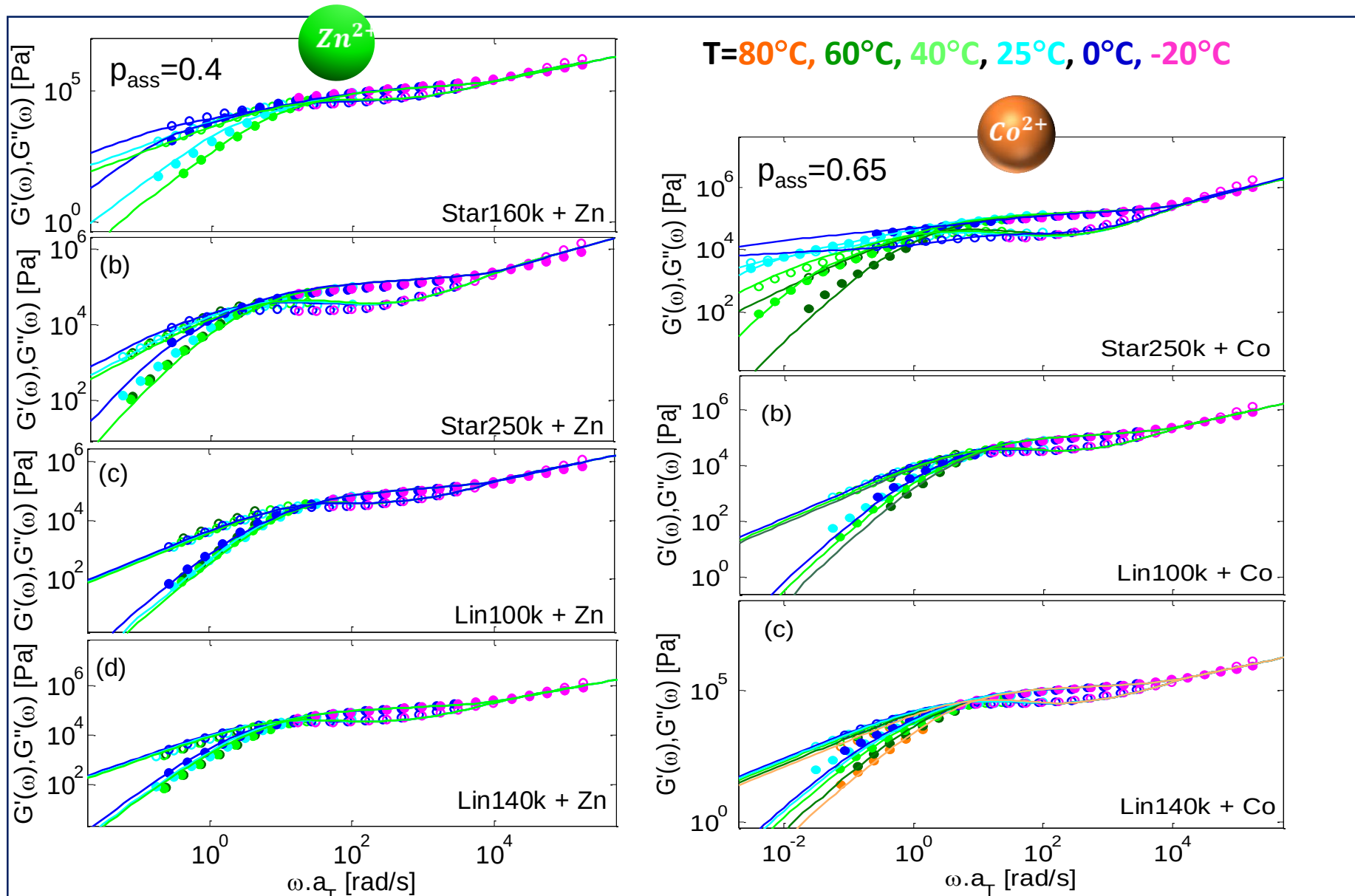
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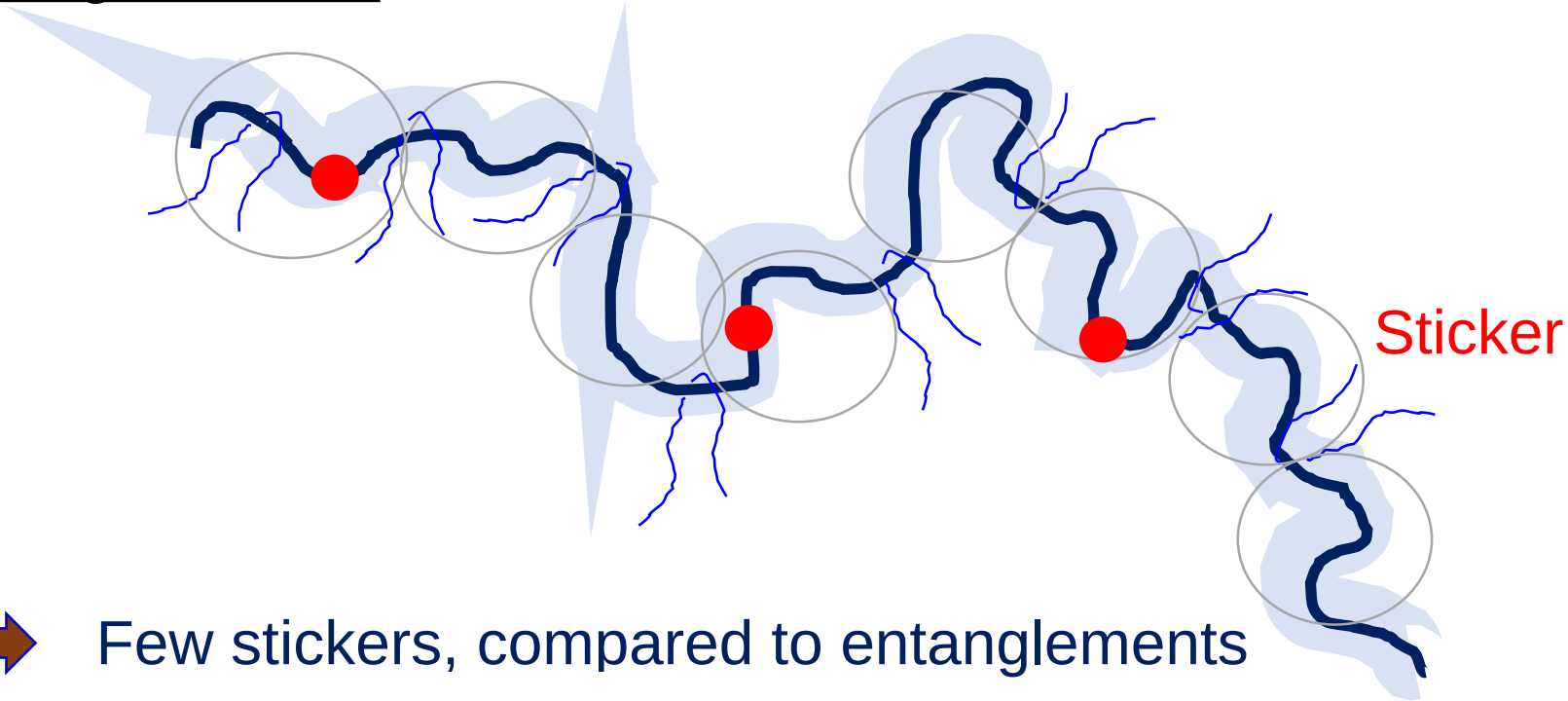


Influence of the ions nature and Temperature





Entangled chain:

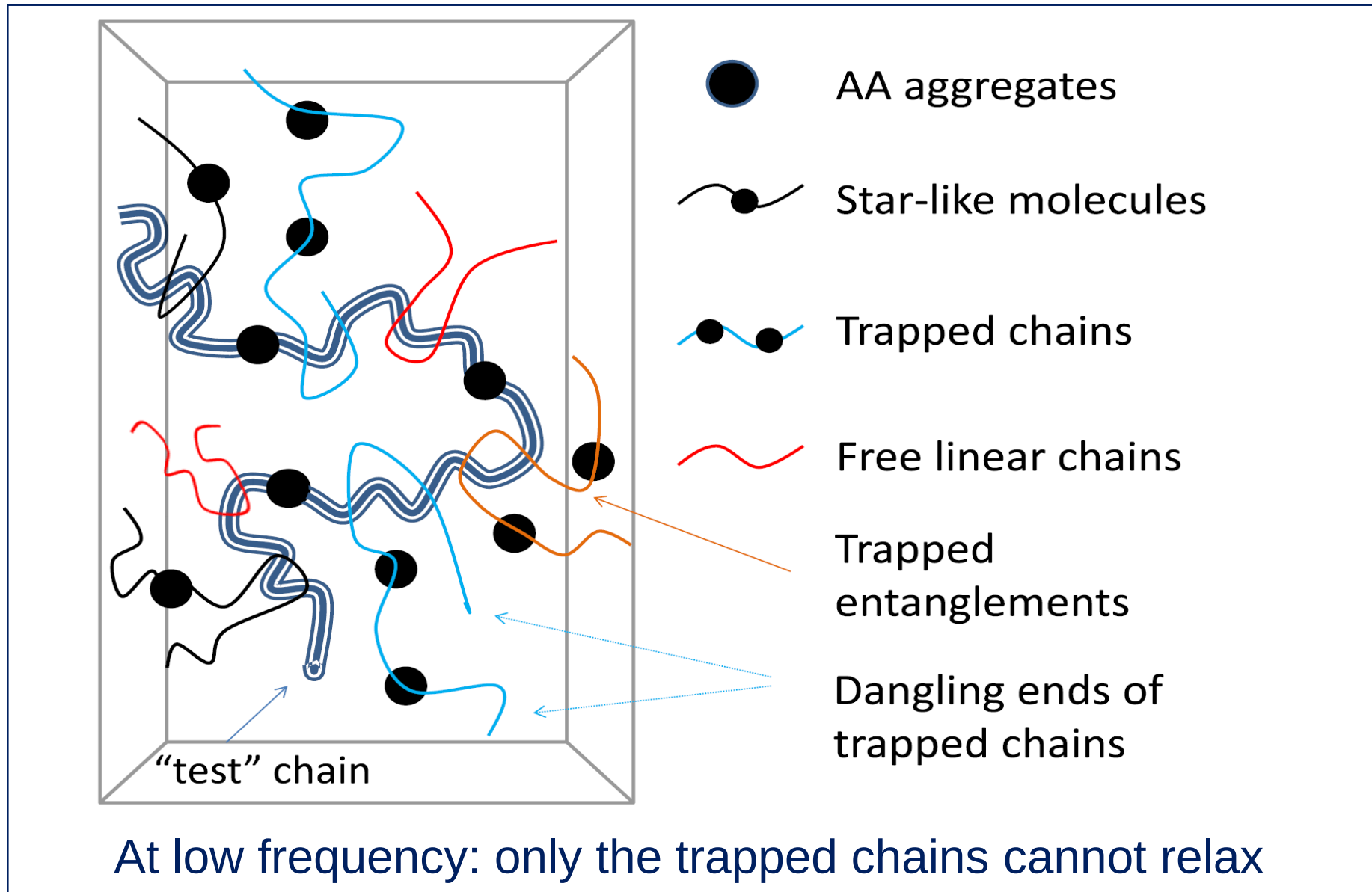


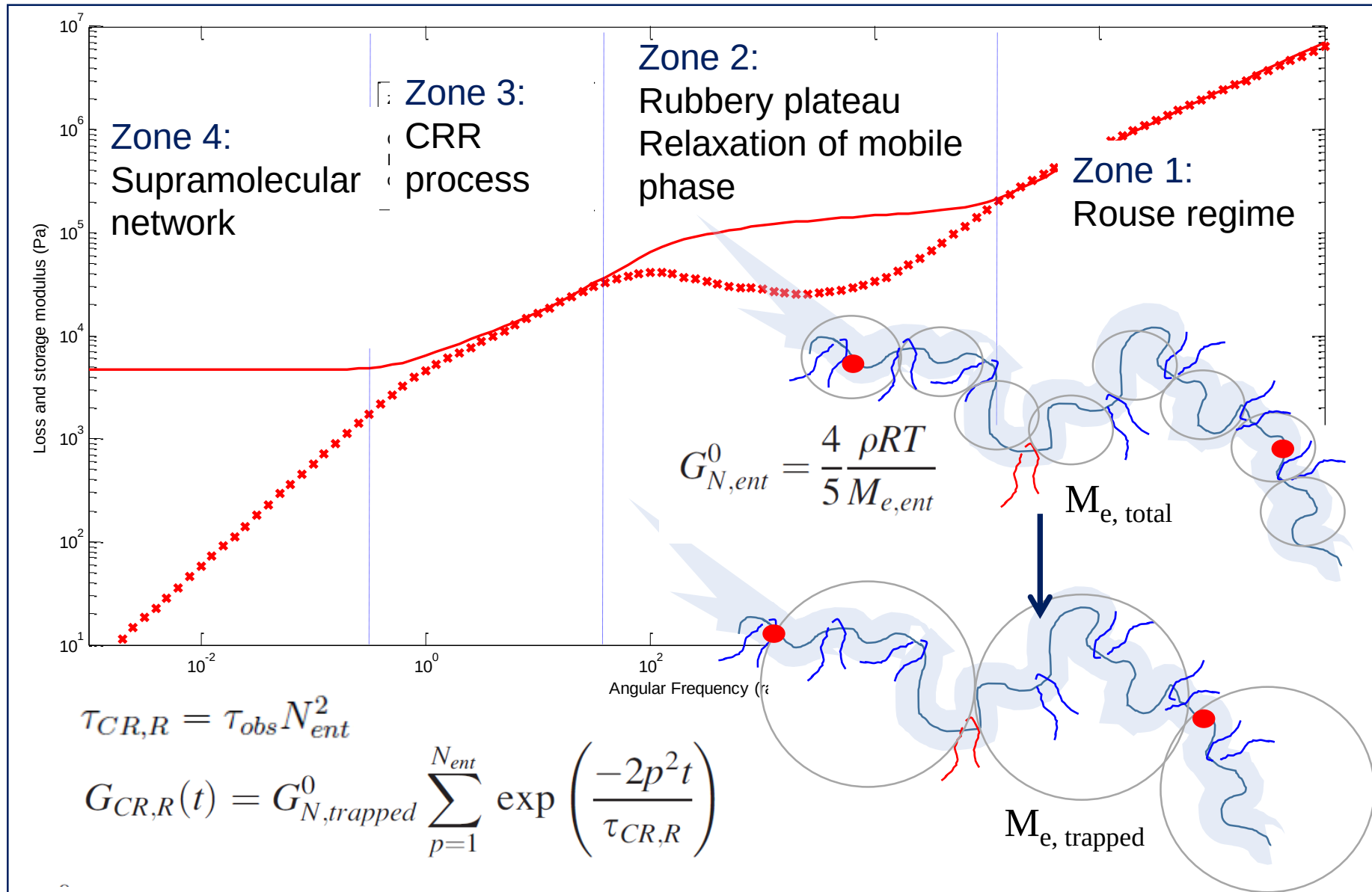
➔ Few stickers, compared to entanglements

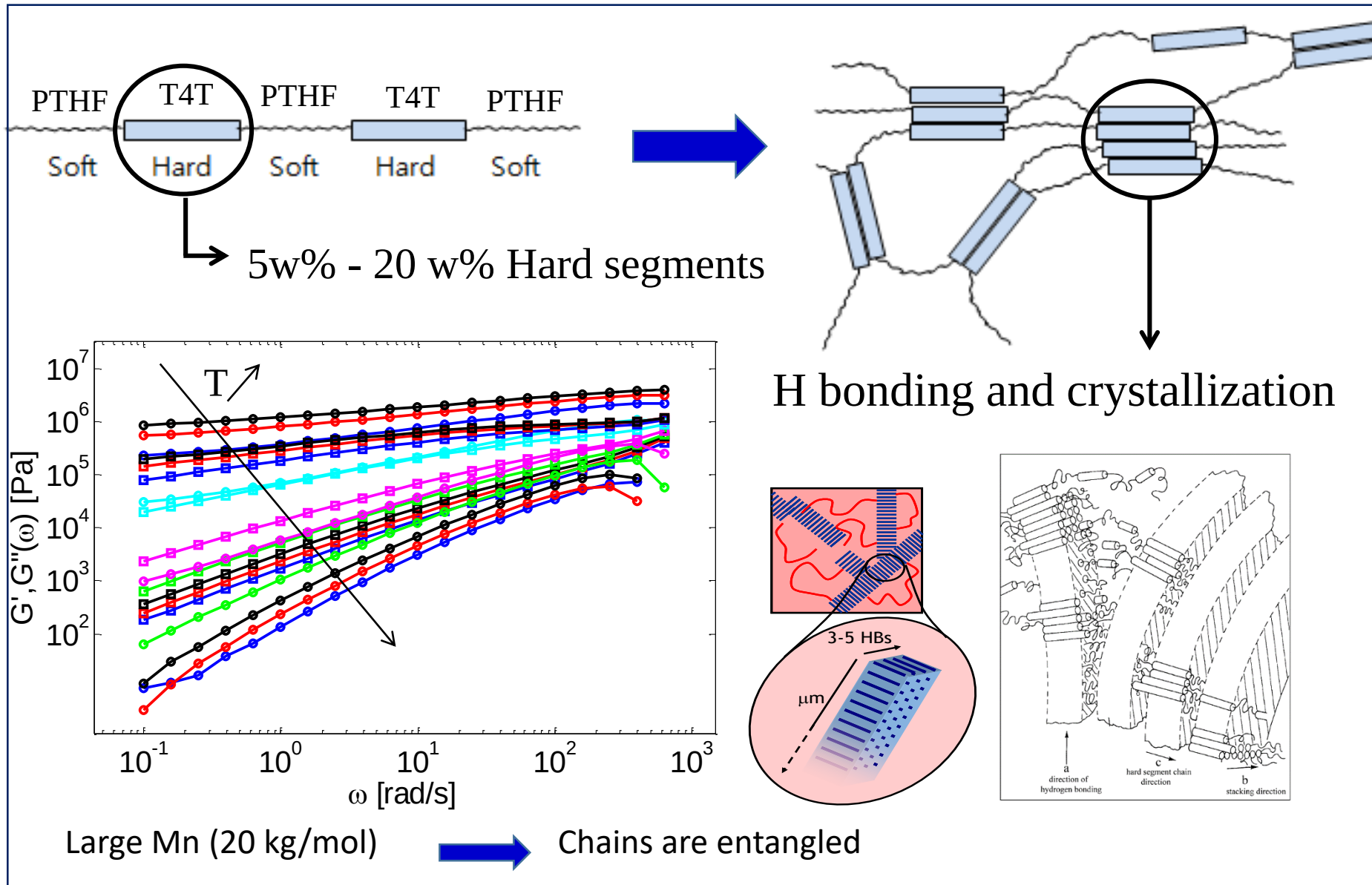
$$M_{e,total}^{-1} = M_{e,ent}^{-1} + M_{e,XX}^{-1}$$

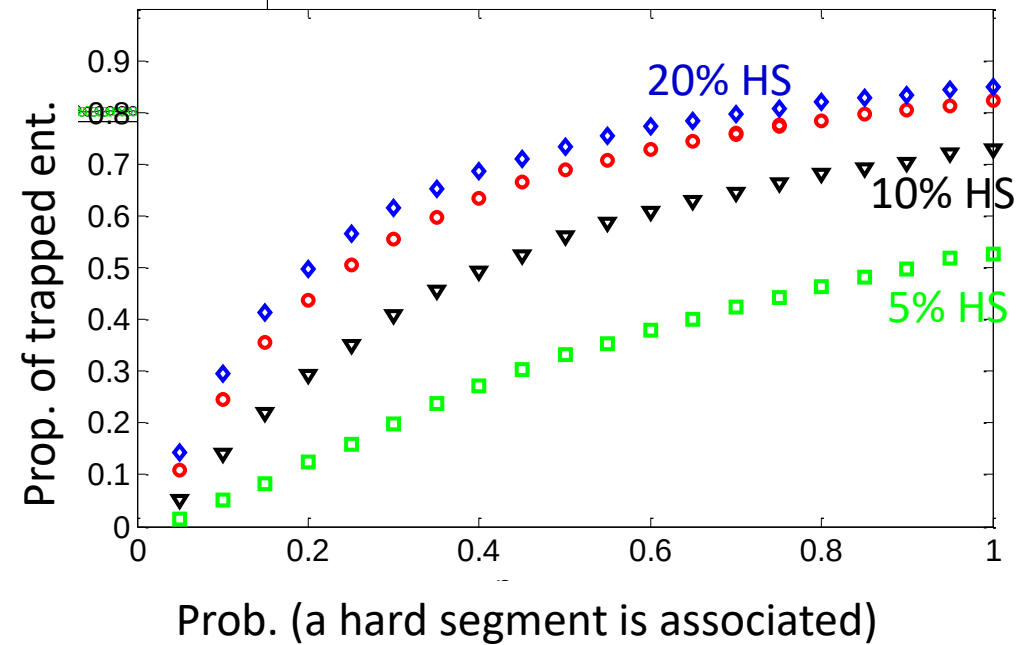
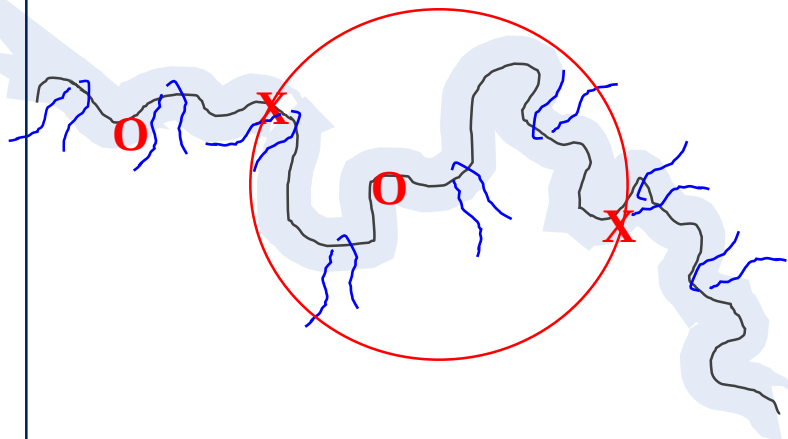
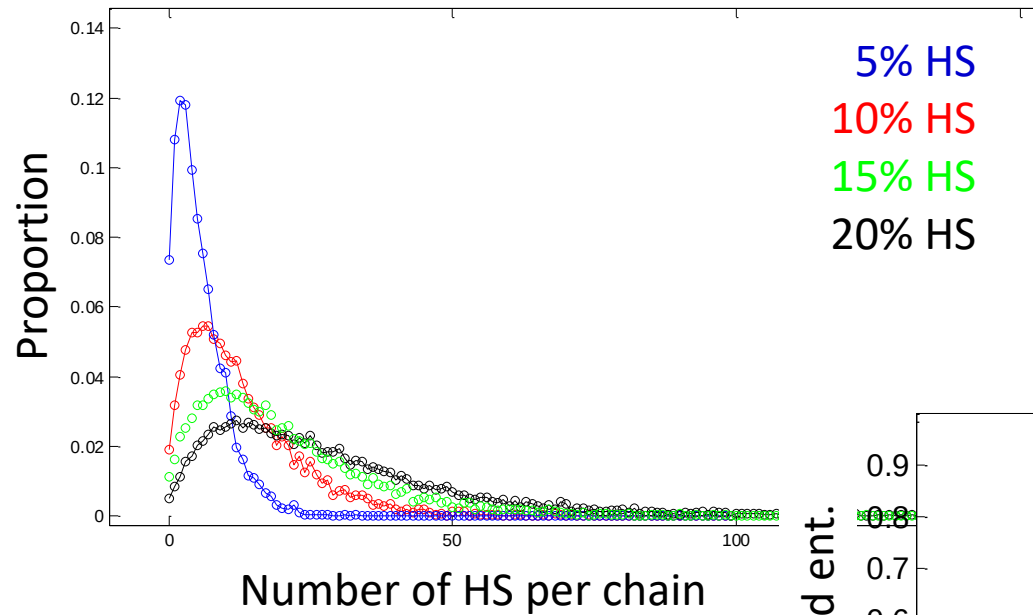
➔ Stickers with long lifetime

➔ Starting from TMA tube model









*Low frequency data: governed by the **trapped entanglements***