

Dielectric and Ferroelectric properties of Ag modified lead free 0.94[KNN]-0.06[LS] Ceramics



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Outlines

- 1. General Electroceramics.**
- 2. Different Ferroelectric Material Properties.**
- 3. Applications of Ferroelectric Materials.**
- 4. Synthesis of Lead Free KNN by Microwave Process.**
- 5. Comparison with CS and MWS of KNN System.**
- 6. Conclusions.**

ELECTROCERAMICS – STRATEGIC MATERIALS IN THE QUEST TO SOLVE THE ENERGY CRISIS

Electro-ceramics, combining stability (thermal, chemical), functional versatility and low cost, represent the key materials candidates in many of the proposed renewable energy solutions including solar photovoltaics, fuel cells/electrolyzers, high energy density batteries, and thermoelectrics.

Ceramics

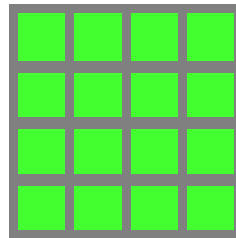
: derived from *keramos* :

Greek word for potter's clay or ware made from clay and fired. ('pottery')

Ceramics
(Old concept)
: Pottery

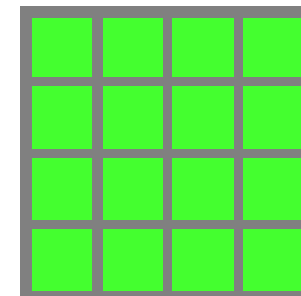


Ceramics
(Current, wide concept)
: all inorganic nonmetallic materials
(single crystal + polycrystalline materials + amorphous materials)



Difficult to fabricate
Expensive

Ceramics
(Current, narrow concept)
: polycrystalline nonmetallic materials that acquire their mechanical strength through a firing or sintering process.



Easy to fabricate
Economic

Electroceramics

-Ceramics conductor

Heating element
Varistor
Thermistor
Ionic conductor
Humidity Sensor
Gas Sensor
Superconductor

-Dielectrics and Insulators

Multilayer Ceramic
Capacitor
Electrical Insulator

Electroceramics
: Ceramic materials
and devices using
electronic
properties.

-Piezoelectric ceramics

Ultrasonic transducer
Water level sensor
Proximity sensor
PZT

-Pyroelectric ceramics

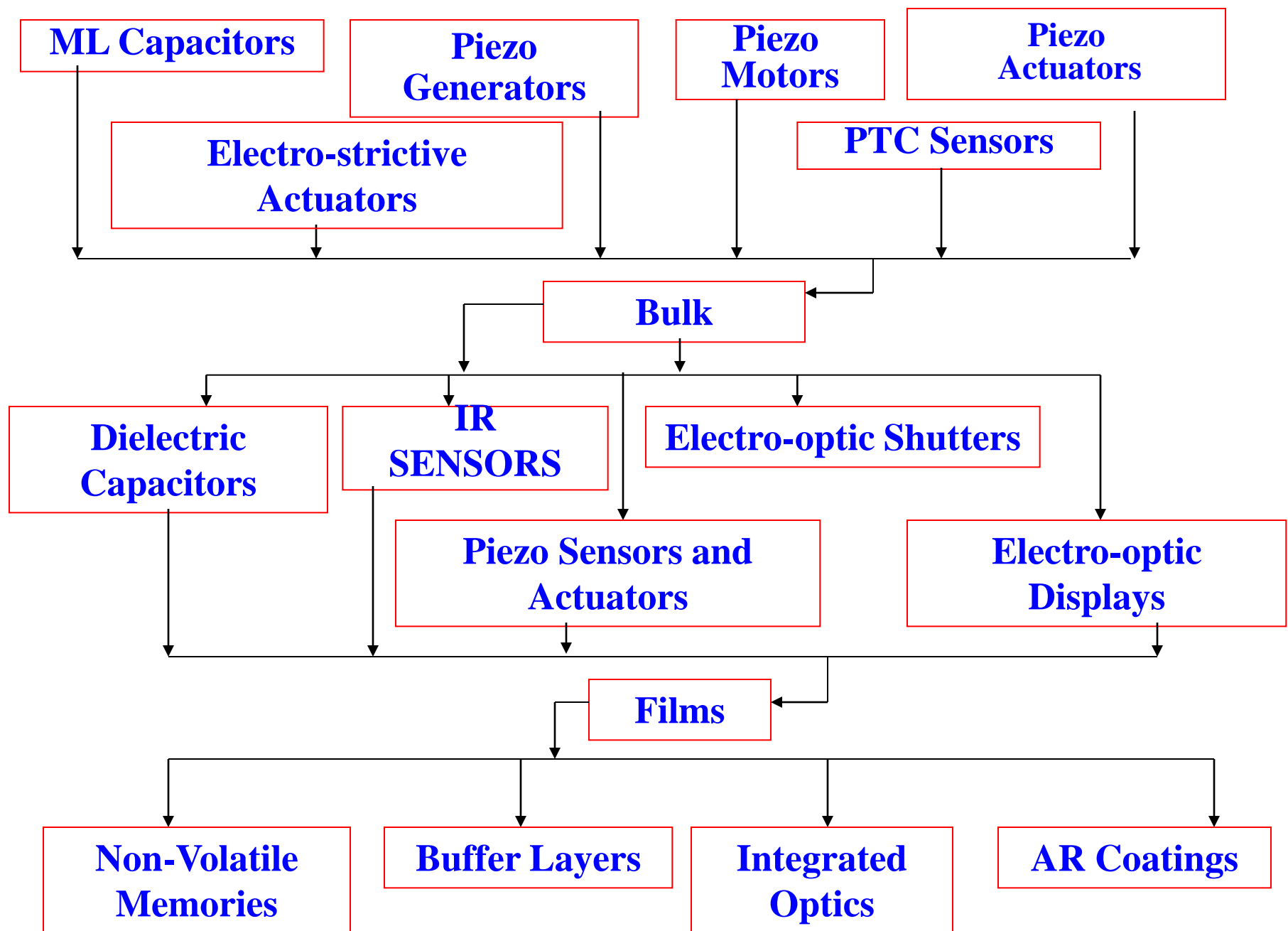
PZT
Temperature sensor

Electro-optic ceramics

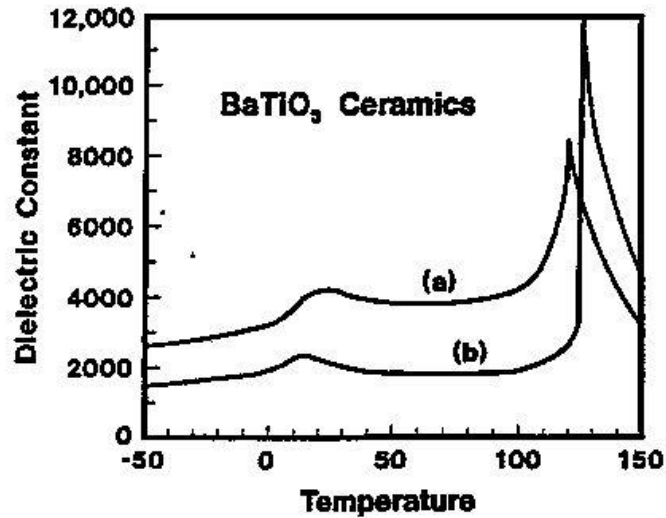
- PLZT

-Magnetic ceramics

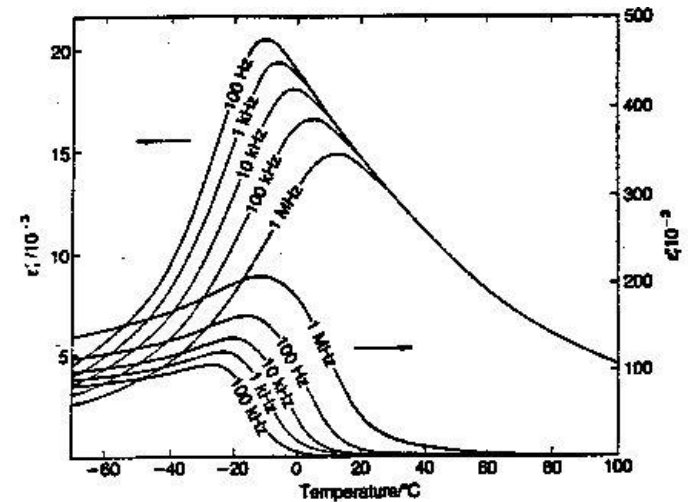
ferrite



Dielectric Properties

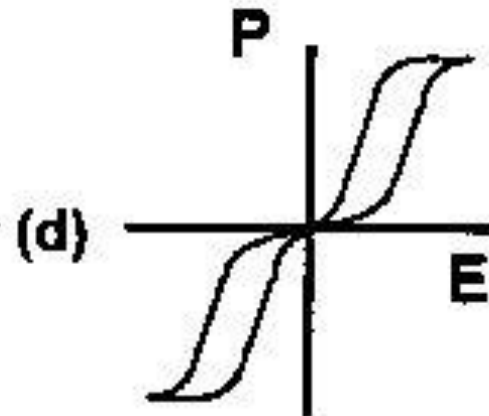
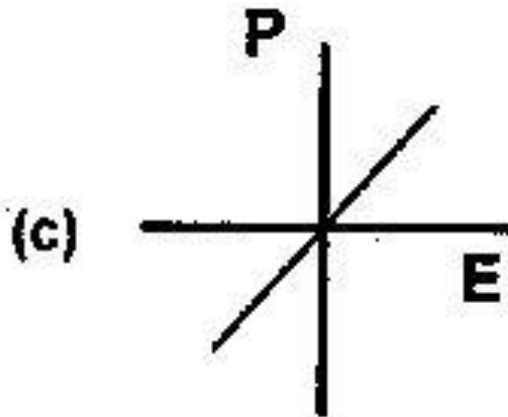
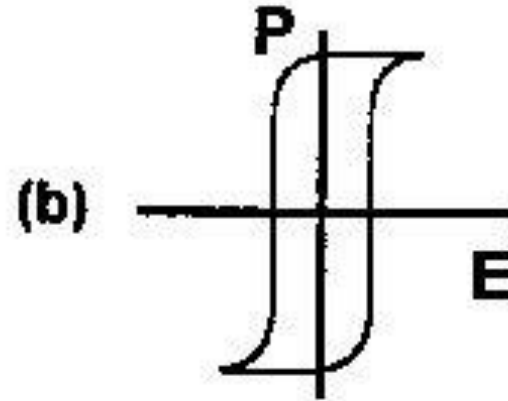
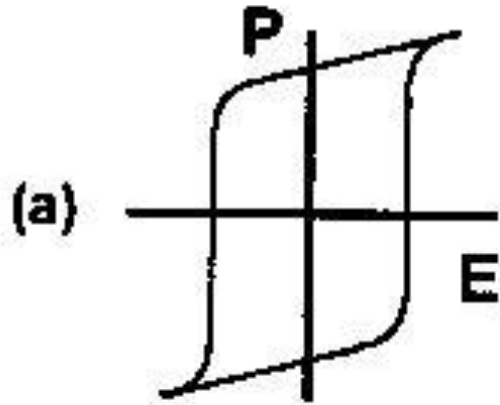


Variation of the dielectric properties of BT with temperature (a) 1 micro m grain size & (b) 50 micro m grain size.



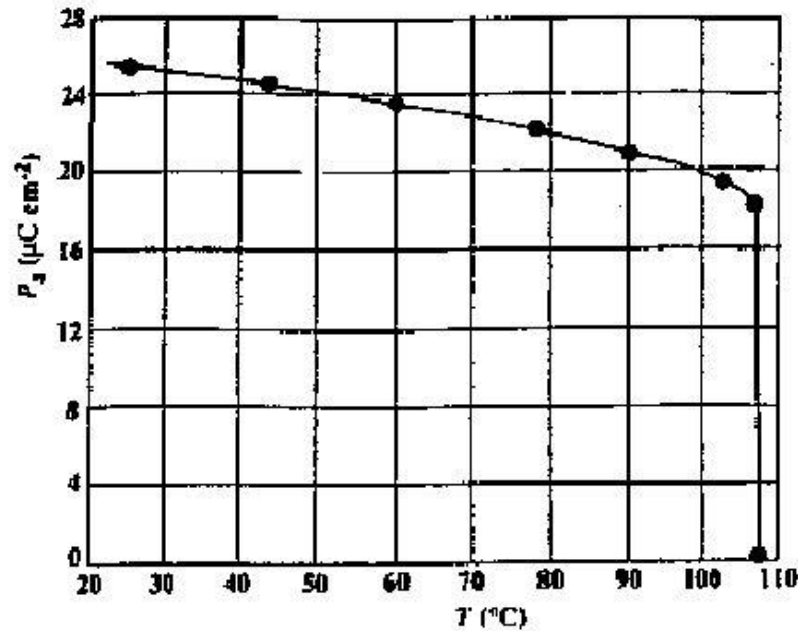
Variation of the dielectric properties of PMN with temperature.

POLARIZATION VERSUS ELECTRIC FIELD HYSTERESIS LOOP



(a) FT (b) FR (c) FC and (d) AF regions of the PLZT phase diagram.

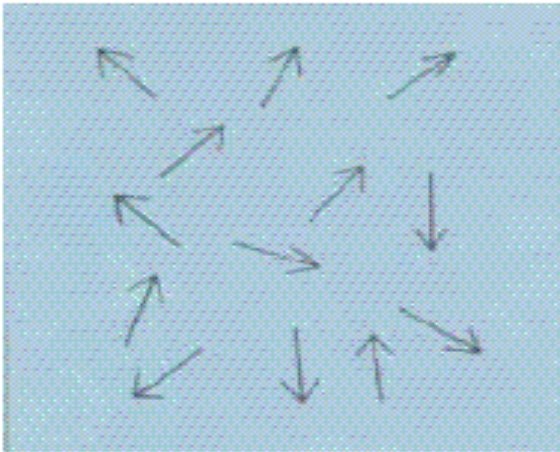
Pyro-electric Effect



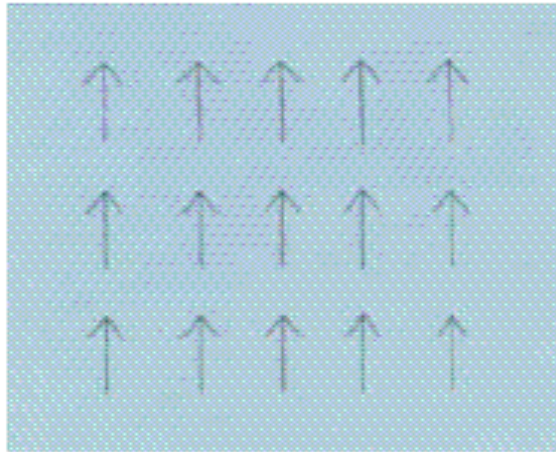
“Uniform Change in Temperature Produces Charges on the Face of the Materials”

$$P_I = (I/A) \cdot (dt/dT)$$

Piezoelectric Effect



**Piezoelectric ceramic -
before polarization**



**Piezoelectric ceramic -
after polarization**

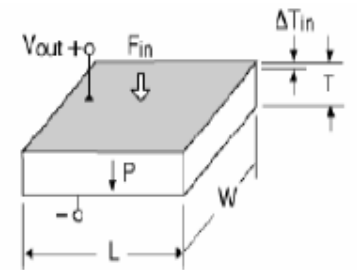
Direct Piezoelectric Effect:

$$\mathbf{D} = (d) \mathbf{T},$$

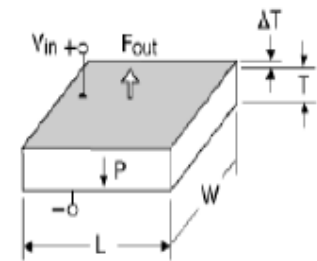
Converse Piezoelectric Effect:

$$\mathbf{S} = (d) \mathbf{E},$$

d: Piezoelectric Coefficient



**Mechanical Signal In
Voltage Out**



**Voltage In
Mechanical Signal Out**

Piezoelectric Coefficients:

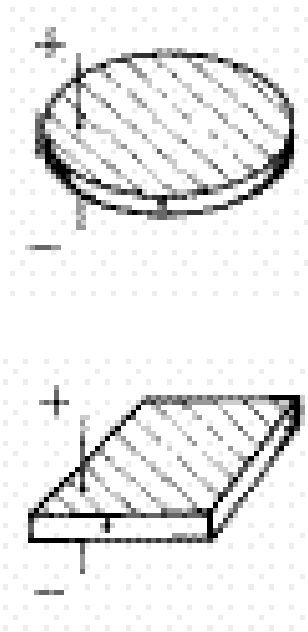
d_{33} , d_{31} = Piezoelectric Charge Coefficients

d_h = Hydrostatic Piezoelectric Coefficient

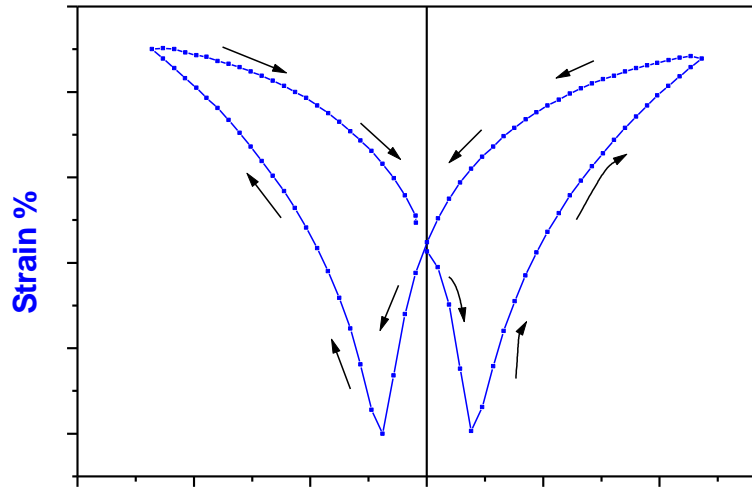
K_p = Planar Coupling Coefficient

K_t = Thickness Coupling Coefficient

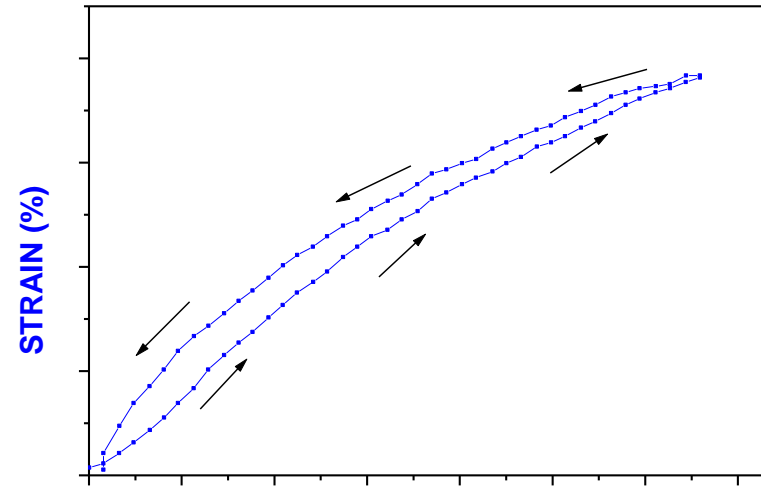
g_{33} , g_{31} = Piezoelectric Voltage Coefficients



Piezoelectric Behavior



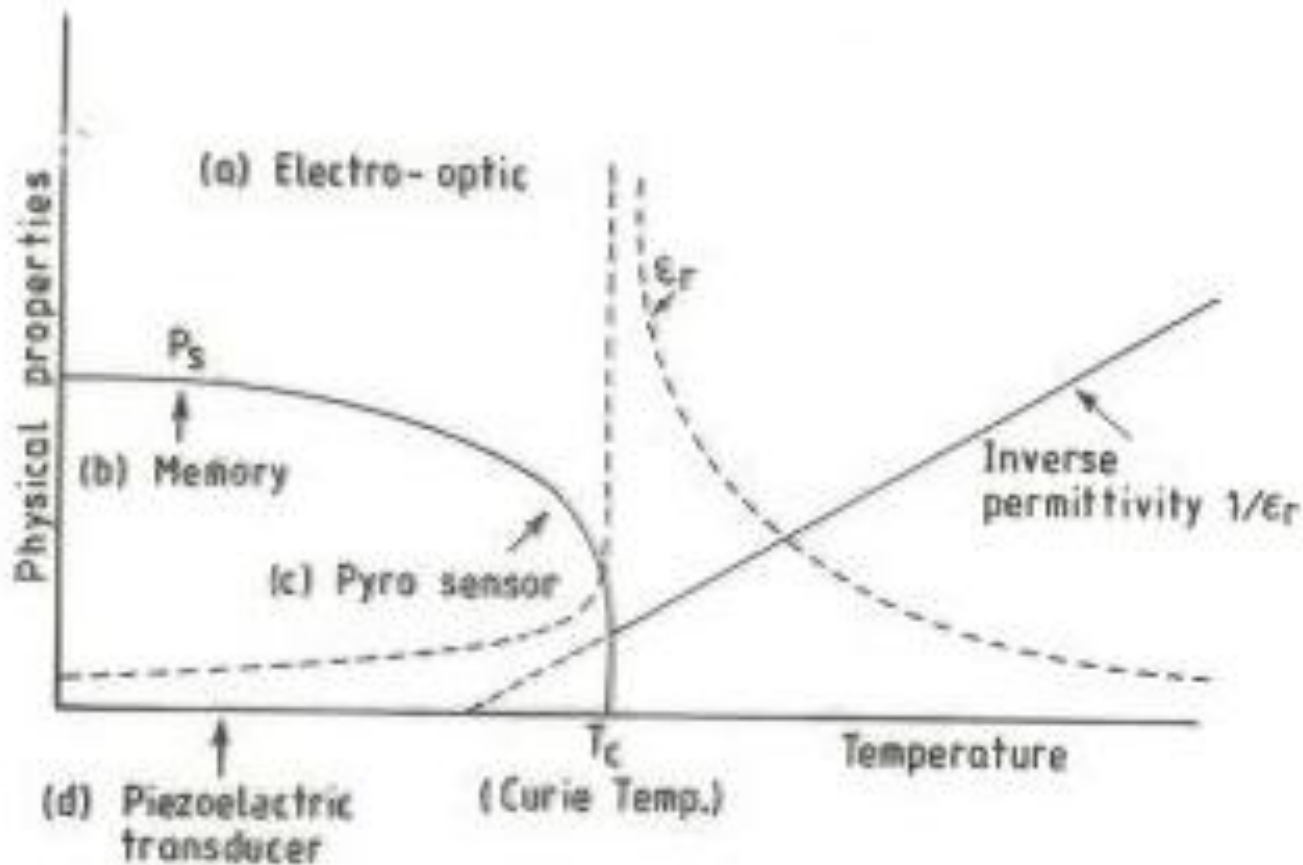
(S-E) Behavior Under Bipolar Field



(S-E) Behavior Under Unipolar Field

Strain Hysteresis % = (Hysteresis in Strain % at Half of the Maximum Electric Field / Strain % at the Maximum) $\times 100$

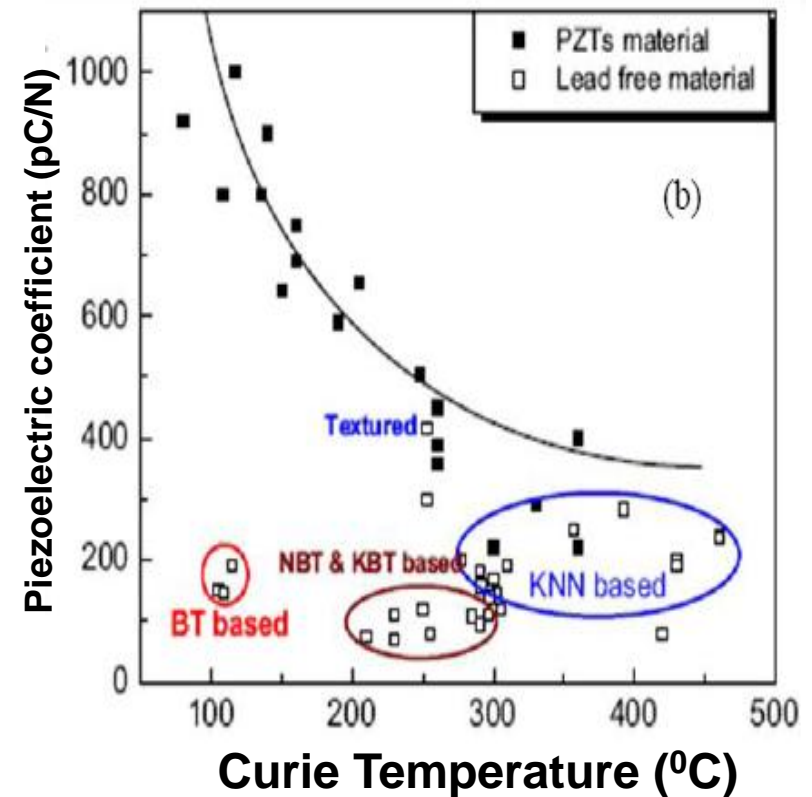
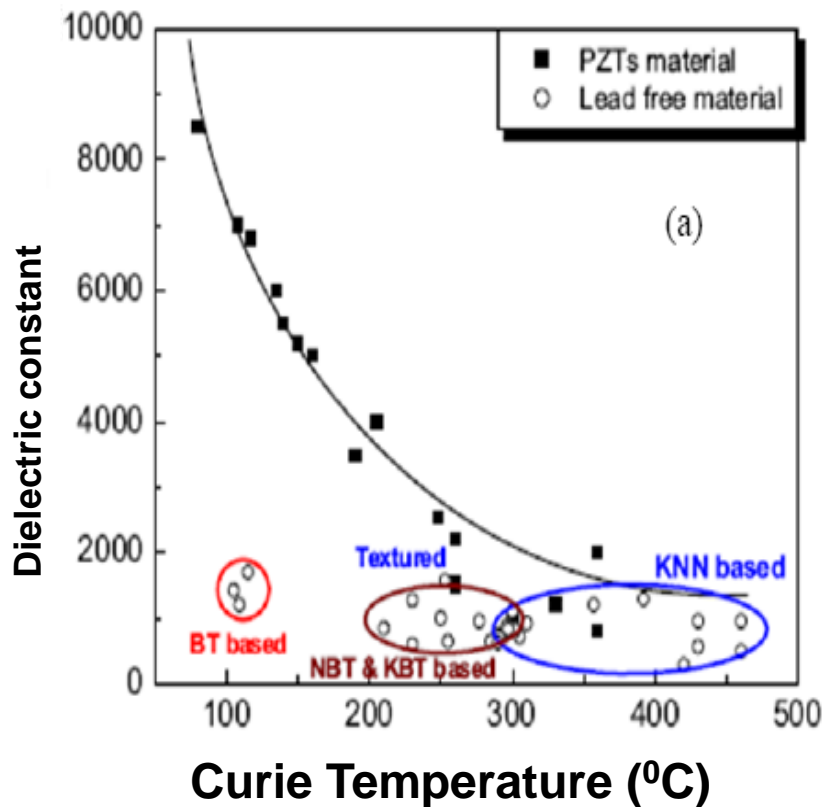
Different Application Regions of Ferroelectric Materials



Why Lead-Free?

- Lower Acoustic Impedance.
- Suitability for Invasive Ultrasonic Applications.
- Higher Curie Temperature.
- Environmentally Friendly.

Why KNN System?



✓ This KNN System Possess a MPB Similar to PZT System.

Synthesis Route

0.94[(KN)_{0.98}Ag_{0.02}N]-0.06[LS] Stoichiometric Composition

Mixing in Distilled Water and Ball Milling 8hrs

Grinding in a Mortar-Pestle

Calcination, 850°C for 6 h and Grinding

Green Pellets at 60MPa

**Conventional Sintering at 1080°C /4 h & Microwave
Sintering at 1050°C/1 h**

Polishing and Electroding

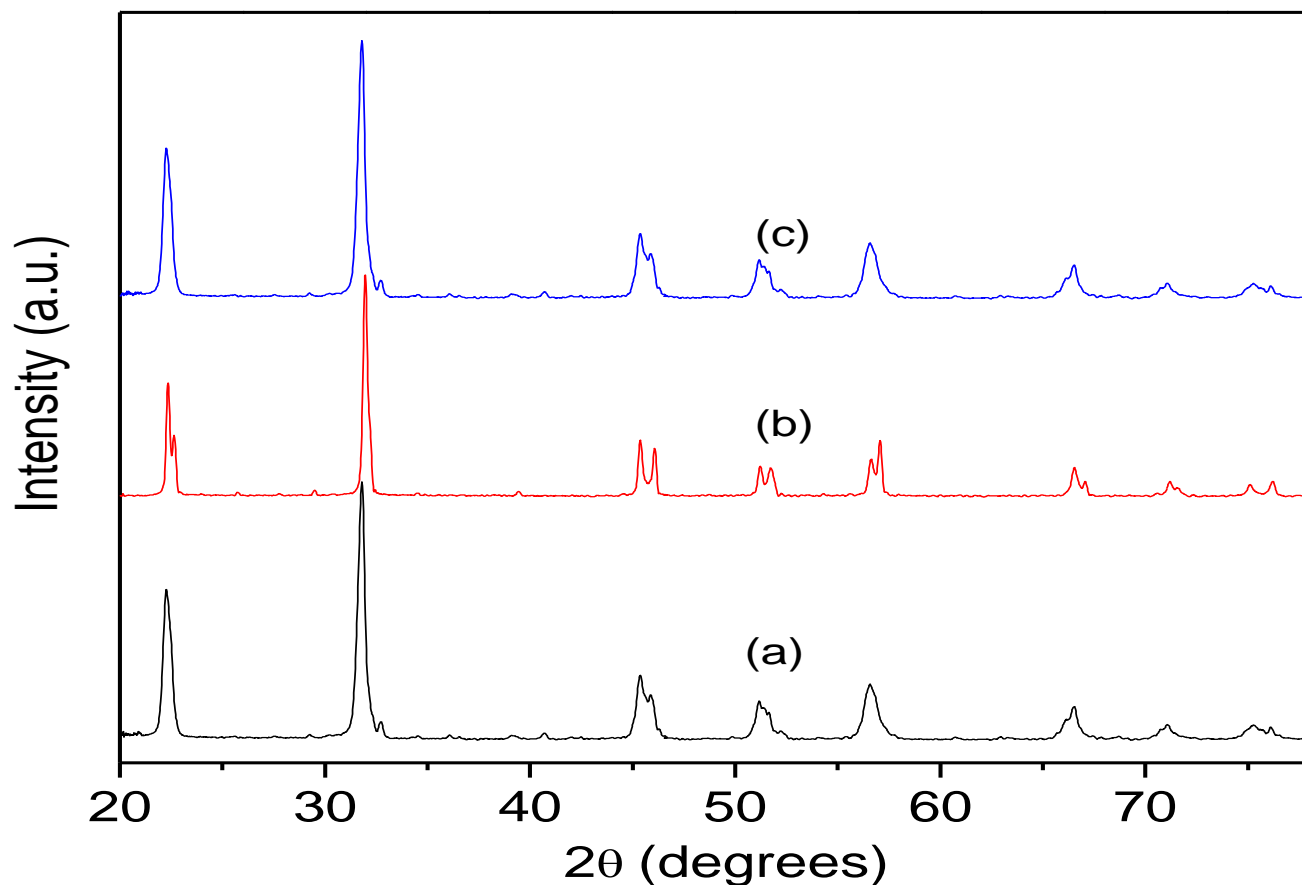
Why Microwave Processing?

- **Direct Heating Mechanism**
- **Heating Profile is from Inside to Outside**
- **Total Cycle Time is Less**
- **Cost Effective**
- **Small Grain Size with Dense and Uniform Morphology.**
- **Better Ferroelectric Properties.**

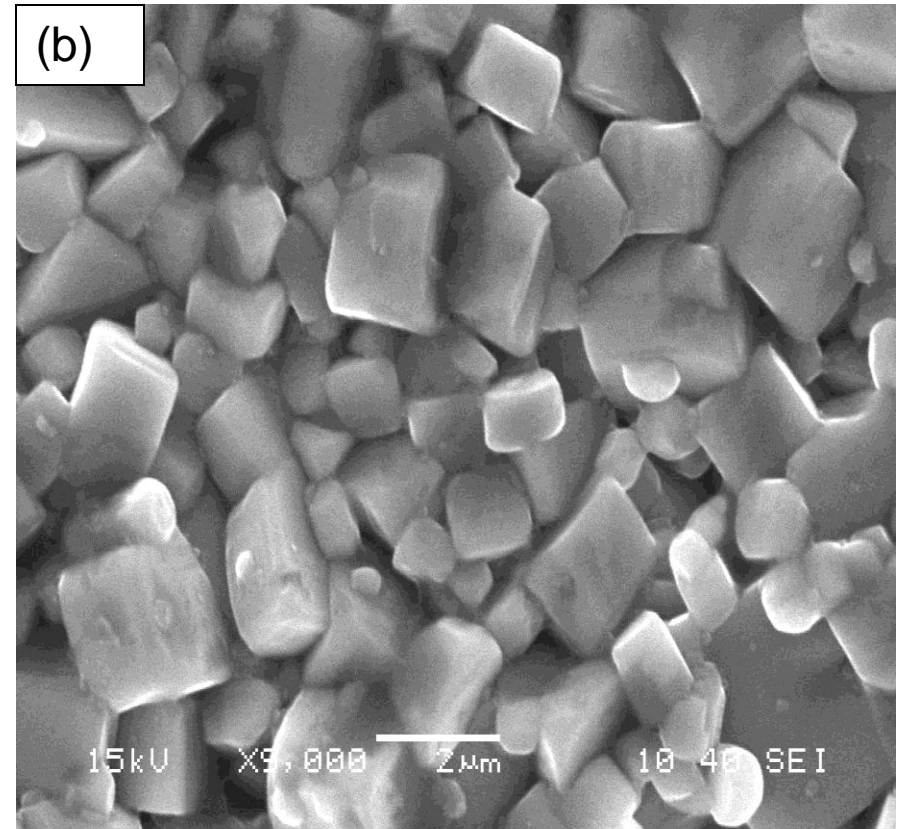
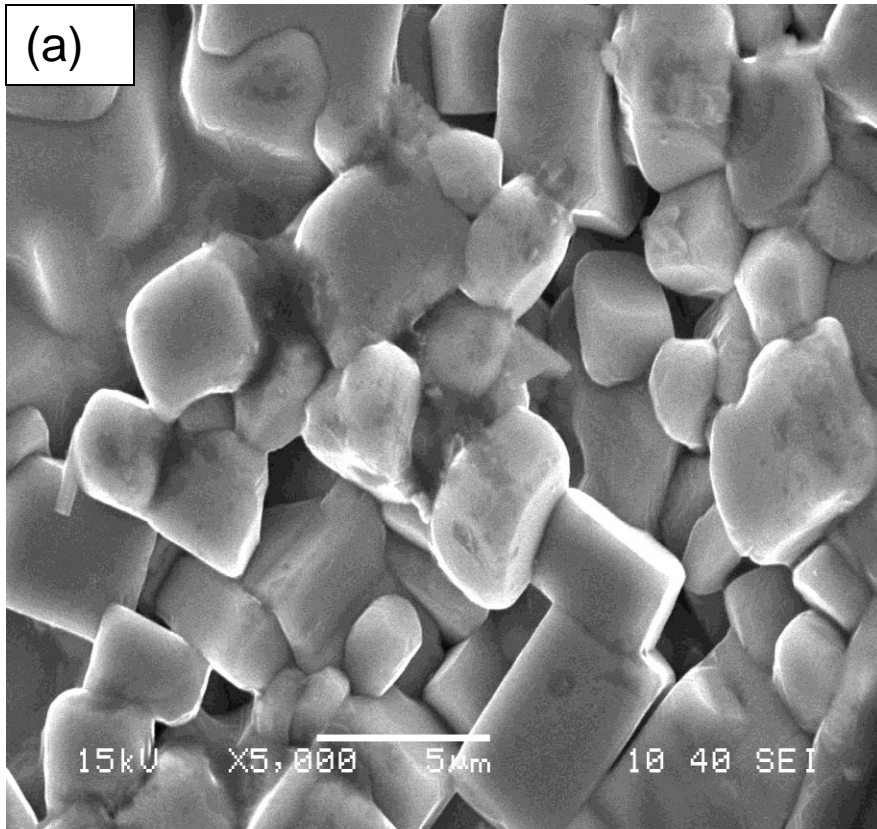
Advantages of Microwave Sintering

- **Microwave Sintering (MWS) is Superior to Conventional Sintering (CS) due to Its Unique Characteristics Such as :**
- **Rapid Heating**
- **Enhanced Densification Rate**
- **Improved Microstructure**
- **An Inverse Heating Profile**

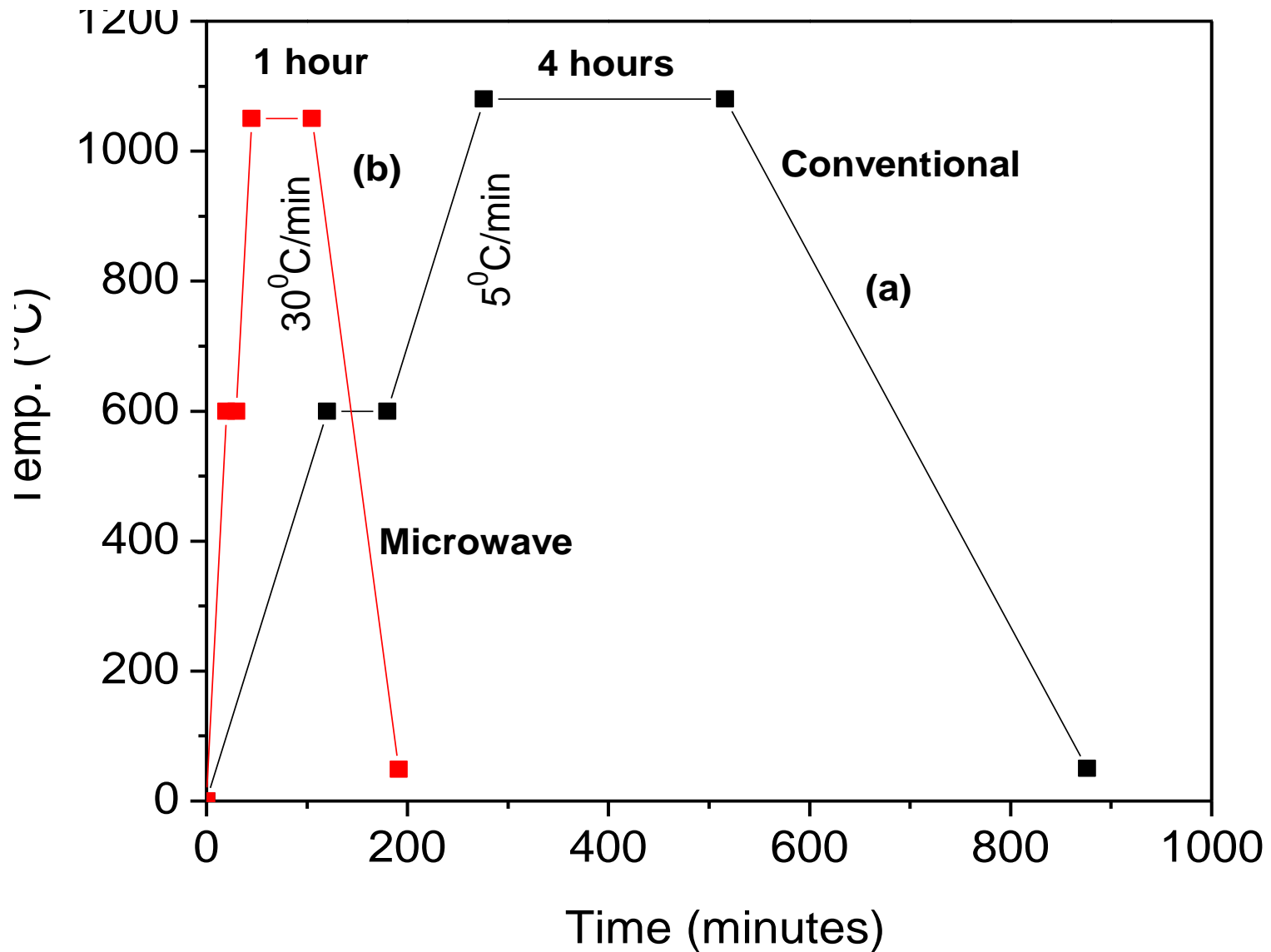
Results



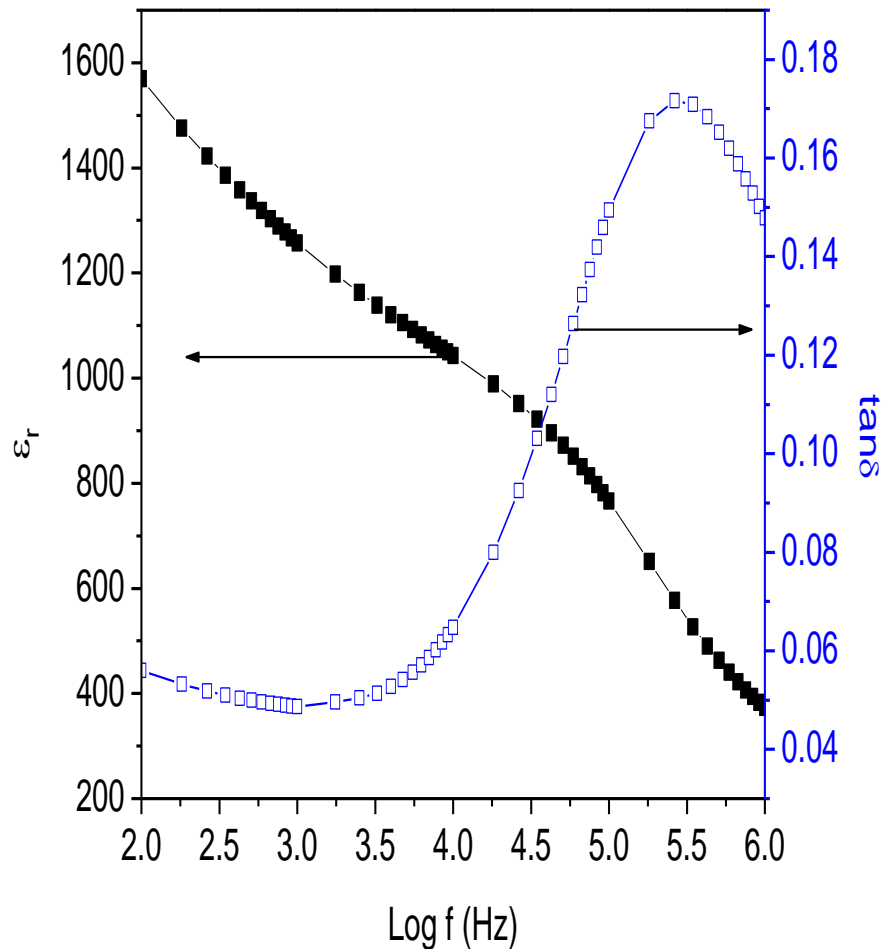
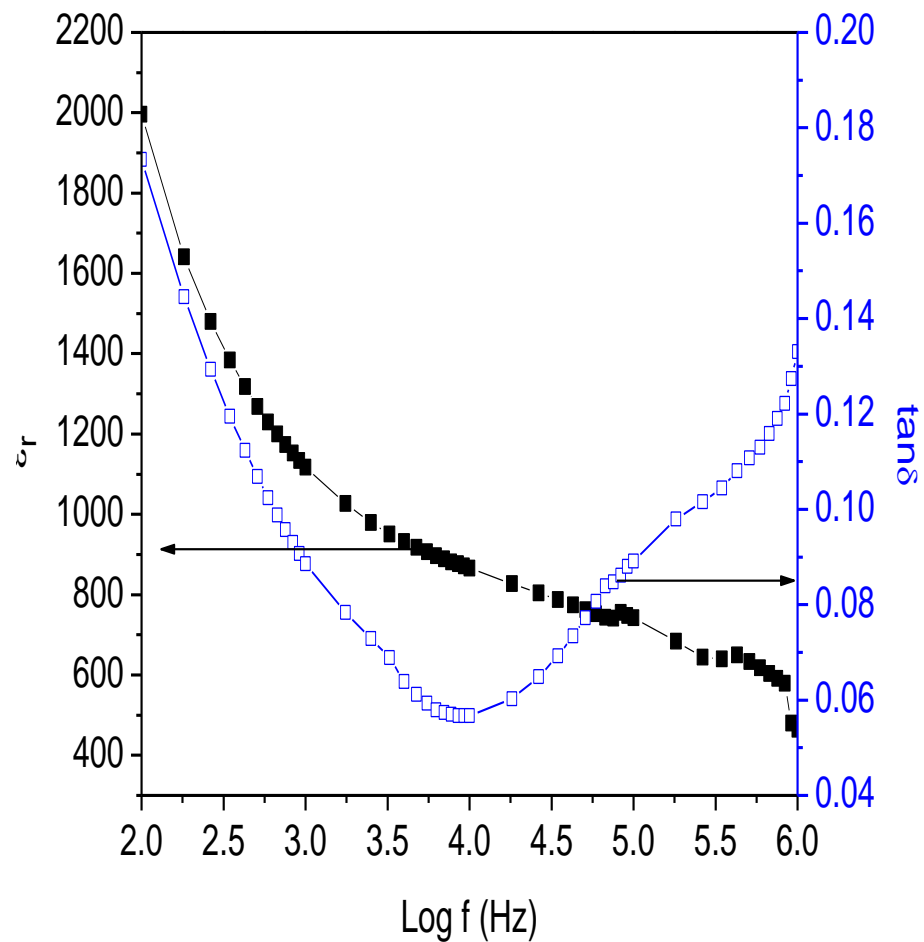
XRD Patterns of KNAN-LS Samples (a) calcined at 850⁰C
(b) MWS at 1050⁰C/1h and (c) CS at 1080⁰C/4h



SEM Micrographs of (a) Conventional and (b) Microwave Sintered KNAN-LS Sample



Time-Temp. Heating Profile of Conventional and Microwave Sintered Samples.



Frequency dependence of ϵ_r and $\tan\delta$ of MWS and CS samples.

Conclusions

- ✓ **Electroceramics: The Necessity of Present Day Technology.**
- ✓ **High K, Piezoelectric, Pyroelectric & (P-E) Loop Properties Make Ferroelectric Material Important for Various Technological Applications.**
- ✓ **NKAN-LS Material was Synthesized in Pure Perovskite Phase by CS and MWS Techniques.**
- ✓ **Better Micro-Structural and Dielectric Properties were Observed in Case of MWS Samples.**
- ✓ **The Observed Finer and Uniform Grains in Case of MWS Sample is due to the Rapidity of Microwave Heating.**

Thank You!