

Influence of electric fields on dielectric properties of GPI ferroelectric

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Using modified microscopic model of GPI by taking into account the piezoelectric coupling with strains ε_i in the frames of two-particle cluster approximation, the components of polarization vector and static dielectric permittivity tensor of the crystal at applying the external transverse electric fields E_1 and E_3 are calculated. An analysis of the influence of these fields on thermodynamic characteristics of GPI is carried out. A satisfactory quantitative description of the available experimental data for these characteristics has been obtained at a proper choice of the model parameters.

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1. Introduction

One of the actual problems in physics of ferroelectric materials is the study of the effects that appear under the action of an external electric field. It can be a powerful tool for purposeful control of their physical characteristics. The effects of the action of external fields depend both on the intensity and the type of such an action, and on the properties of the materials. The application of an electric field is a very important instrument for the investigation of ferroelectric materials with a complex spatial arrangement of the local effective dipole moments. Consequently, phase transitions with different order parameters connected with each other can take place in these materials. In particular, it appears possible to influence this system by means of an electric field, which is perpendicular to a spontaneous polarization, and to study the changes of polarization and the other dielectric properties.

One of the most interesting examples of a crystal sensitive to an electric field effect is the glycinium phosphite (GPI), which belongs to ferroelectric materials with hydrogen bonds [1, 2]. At the room temperature this crystal has a monoclinic structure (space group $P2_1/a$) [3]. The hydrogen bonds between the tetrahedra HPO_3 form infinite chains along the crystallographic c -axis (figure 1). There are two types of hydrogen bonds with the length ~ 2.48 Å and ~ 2.52 Å [3–5]. The ordering of protons on these bonds [4, 5] causes an antiparallel orientation of the components of dipole moments of the equivalent hydrogen bonds along the crystallographic axes a and c in the neighbouring chains. However, the changes of the distances between ions in the tetrahedra HPO_3 and the parallel ordering of the corresponding components of dipole moments along the b -axis in the chains causes a total dipole moment along this axis.

Consequently, at the temperature 225 K the crystal passes to the ferroelectric state (space group $P2_1$) with a spontaneous polarization perpendicular to the chains of hydrogen bonds. It is necessary to note that the phase transition in GPI is closely connected with the short- and long-range interactions within these chains and between them.

The study of the effect of deuteration on T_c witnesses in favour of the proton ordering mechanism of a phase transition due to a strong isotopic shift of the transition temperature ($T_c^D - T_c^H = 97$ K [6]).

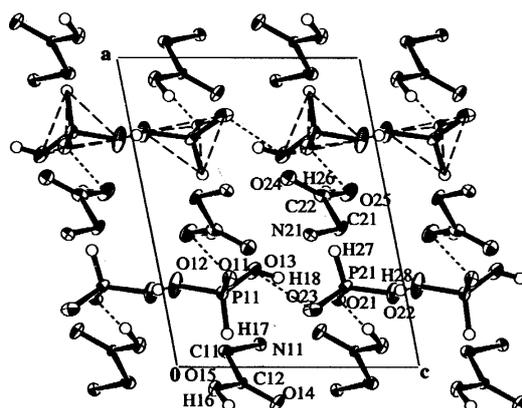


Figure 1. The lattice structure of glycinium phosphite crystal [3].

The results of measuring the frequency dependence of dielectric permittivity [7, 8] also testify that the phase transition in this crystal is of the order-disorder type. It should be also mentioned that the data obtained based on the slow neutron scattering investigation, indicate the reorientations and deformations of the ionic groups (phosphite ions). The revealed temperature anomalies of elastic constants near T_c [9] manifest an important role of deformation processes in a phase transition in GPI.

Highly important are the investigations of transverse electric fields effects on the physical characteristics of GPI. A crystal seems to be quite special in this respect. The experiment, carried out in [10, 11], showed a unique sensitivity to a transverse field E_z . As it was established, such a field, applied to the crystal in ferroelectric phase (at $T < T_c^0$), is capable of reorienting the local dipole moments that are connected with protons on hydrogen bonds and with adjacent ionic glycine groups. Consequently, at some critical field E_z^c there occurs a phase transition, at which a spontaneous polarization along OY -axis disappears and only the component P_z remains. Such an effect resembles the well known spin-flop transition in antiferromagnetics under the action of an external magnetic field. On the other hand, as was shown in [10, 11], under the action of the field E_z there occurs a decrease of critical temperature of ferroelectric phase transition proportionally to E_z^2 . The existence of considerable (and increasing with the field) anomalies of transverse dielectric permittivity ε_{zz} in the region of transition at $E_z \neq 0$ was revealed.

An explanation of the discovered effects was given in [10] and [11, 12] based on the phenomenological Landau theory and within the microscopic model approach, respectively. However, it failed to achieve a full quantitative description of the observed temperature and field behaviour of ε_{zz} , inasmuch as the reasons of a smeared character of such dependences remain unclear.

In the present work we continue the study of the transverse field effect, based on a microscopic description within the model of a deformed crystal [13]. We supplement the approach, applied in [11, 12], by taking into account the lattice strains and piezoelectric coupling. At the same time, our goal is to consider the wider range of phenomena connected with the action of transverse fields E_z and E_x on a ferroelectric phase transition and on dielectric and piezoelectric characteristics of GPI crystal.

2. The model

We consider a system of protons in GPI, localised on O–H...O bonds, which form zigzag chains along the c -axis of a crystal. Dipole moments \vec{d}_{qf} (q is a number of a primitive cell, $f = 1, \dots, 4$) are ascribed to the protons on the bonds. In the ferroelectric phase, the dipole moments compensate each other (\vec{d}_{q1} with \vec{d}_{q3} , \vec{d}_{q2} with \vec{d}_{q4}) in directions Z and X , and simultaneously supplement each other in the direction Y , creating a spontaneous polarization. Vectors \vec{d}_{qf} are oriented at some angles to crystallographic axes and have longitudinal and transverse components along the b -axis (figure 2).

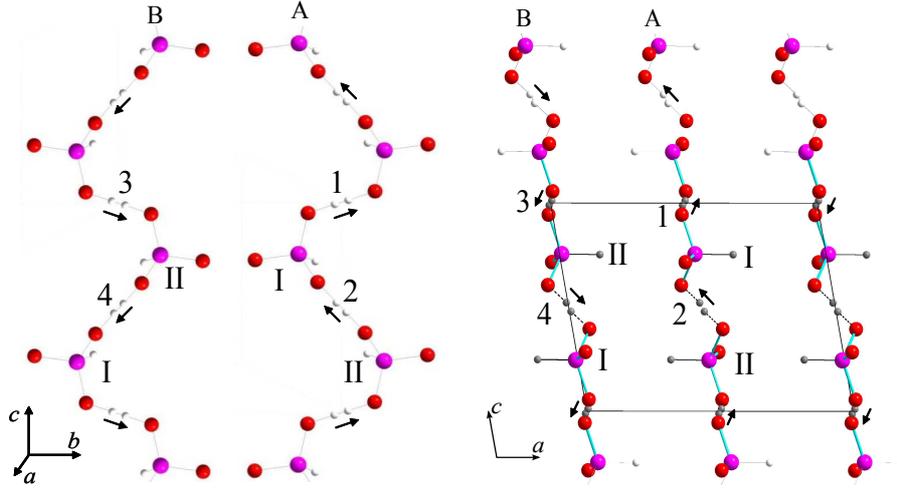


Figure 2. (Color online) Orientations of vectors \vec{d}_{qf} in the primitive cell in the ferroelectric phase.

Pseudospin variables $\frac{\sigma_{q1}}{2}, \dots, \frac{\sigma_{q4}}{2}$ describe the changes connected with reorientation of the dipole moments of the base units: $d_{qf} = \mu_f \frac{\sigma_{qf}}{2}$. Mean values $\langle \frac{\sigma}{2} \rangle = \frac{1}{2}(n_a - n_b)$ are connected with the differences in the occupancy of the two possible molecular positions, n_a and n_b .

Herein below for convenience we often use the notations 1, 2 and 3 instead of x, y and z for components of vectors and tensors. The Hamiltonian of a proton subsystem of GPI, which takes into account the short-range and long-range interactions and the applied electric fields E_1, E_2, E_3 along positive directions of the Descartes axes OX, OY and OZ , consists of the “seed” and pseudospin parts. The “seed” energy U_{seed} corresponds to the heavy ion sublattice and does not depend explicitly on the configuration of the proton subsystem. The pseudospin part describes short-range \hat{H}_{short} and long-range \hat{H}_{MF} interactions of protons near tetrahedra HPO_3 , as well as the effective interaction with the electric fields E_1, E_2 and E_3 . Therefore,

$$\hat{H} = NU_{\text{seed}} + \hat{H}_{\text{short}} + \hat{H}_{\text{MF}}, \quad (2.1)$$

where N is the total number of primitive cells.

The U_{seed} corresponds to the “seed” energy, which includes the elastic, piezoelectric and dielectric parts, expressed in terms of electric fields E_i ($i = 1, 2, 3$) and strains ε_i and ε_j ($j = i + 3$). Parameters $c_{ii'}^{E0}(T), c_{i5}^{E0}(T), c_{46}^{E0}(T), c_{jj}^{E0}(T), e_{ii'}^0, e_{ij}^0, \chi_{ii}^{\varepsilon0}, \chi_{31}^{\varepsilon0}$ ($i' = 1, 2, 3$) correspond to the so-called “seed” elastic constants, piezoelectric stresses and dielectric susceptibilities, respectively, v is the volume of a primitive cell:

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\text{seed}} = v & \left[\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,i'=1}^3 c_{ii'}^{E0}(T) \varepsilon_i \varepsilon_{i'} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=4}^6 c_{jj}^{E0}(T) \varepsilon_j^2 + \sum_{i=1}^3 c_{i5}^{E0}(T) \varepsilon_i \varepsilon_5 + c_{46}^{E0}(T) \varepsilon_4 \varepsilon_6 \right. \\ & - \sum_{i=1}^3 e_{2i}^0 \varepsilon_i E_2 - e_{25}^0 \varepsilon_5 E_2 - e_{14}^0 \varepsilon_4 E_1 - e_{16}^0 \varepsilon_6 E_1 - e_{34}^0 \varepsilon_4 E_3 - e_{36}^0 \varepsilon_6 E_3 \\ & \left. - \frac{1}{2} \chi_{11}^{\varepsilon0} E_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} \chi_{22}^{\varepsilon0} E_2^2 - \frac{1}{2} \chi_{33}^{\varepsilon0} E_3^2 - \chi_{31}^{\varepsilon0} E_3 E_1 \right]. \quad (2.2) \end{aligned}$$

The Hamiltonian of short-range interactions is

$$\hat{H}_{\text{short}} = -2w \sum_{qq'} \left(\frac{\sigma_{q1}}{2} \frac{\sigma_{q2}}{2} + \frac{\sigma_{q3}}{2} \frac{\sigma_{q4}}{2} \right) \left(\delta_{\vec{R}_q \vec{R}_{q'}} + \delta_{\vec{R}_q + \vec{R}_c, \vec{R}_{q'}} \right). \quad (2.3)$$

In (2.3), σ_{qf} is the z -component of pseudospin operator that describes the state of the f -th bond ($f = 1, 2, 3, 4$), in the q -th cell. The first Kronecker delta corresponds to the interaction between protons in the chains near the tetrahedra HPO_3 of type ‘‘I’’ (figure 2), where the second one near the tetrahedra HPO_3 of type ‘‘II’’, \vec{R}_c is the lattice vector along OZ -axis. Contributions into the energy of interactions between protons near tetrahedra of different types, as well as the mean values of the pseudospins $\langle \sigma_{qf} \rangle$, which are related to tetrahedra of different types, are equal.

Parameter w , which describes the short-range interactions within chains, is expanded linearly into series over strains $\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j$:

$$w = w^0 + \sum_{i=1}^3 \delta_i \varepsilon_i + \sum_{j=4}^6 \delta_j \varepsilon_j. \quad (2.4)$$

Mean field Hamiltonian \hat{H}_{MF} of the long-range dipole-dipole interactions and indirect (through the lattice vibrations) interactions between protons, taking into account that Fourier transforms of interaction constants $J_{ff'} = \sum_{q'} J_{ff'}(qq')$ at $\vec{k} = 0$ are linearly expanded:

$$J_{ff'} = J_{ff'}^0 + \frac{\partial J_{ff'}}{\partial \varepsilon_i} \varepsilon_i = J_{ff'}^0 + \sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_{ff'i} \varepsilon_i + \sum_{j=4}^6 \psi_{ff'j} \varepsilon_j, \quad (2.5)$$

can be written as:

$$\hat{H}_{\text{MF}} = NH^0 + \hat{H}_s, \quad (2.6)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} H^0 = & \frac{1}{8} J_{11}^0 (\eta_1^2 + \eta_3^2) + \frac{1}{8} J_{22}^0 (\eta_2^2 + \eta_4^2) + \frac{1}{4} J_{13}^0 \eta_1 \eta_3 + \frac{1}{4} J_{24}^0 \eta_2 \eta_4 + \frac{1}{4} J_{12}^0 (\eta_1 \eta_2 + \eta_3 \eta_4) + \frac{1}{4} J_{14}^0 (\eta_1 \eta_4 \\ & + \eta_2 \eta_3) + \frac{1}{8} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_{11i} \varepsilon_i + \sum_{j=4}^6 \psi_{11j} \varepsilon_j \right) (\eta_1^2 + \eta_3^2) + \frac{1}{8} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_{22i} \varepsilon_i + \sum_{j=4}^6 \psi_{22j} \varepsilon_j \right) (\eta_2^2 + \eta_4^2) \\ & + \frac{1}{4} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_{13i} \varepsilon_i + \sum_{j=4}^6 \psi_{13j} \varepsilon_j \right) \eta_1 \eta_3 + \frac{1}{4} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_{24i} \varepsilon_i + \sum_{j=4}^6 \psi_{24j} \varepsilon_j \right) \eta_2 \eta_4 \\ & + \frac{1}{4} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_{12i} \varepsilon_i + \sum_{j=4}^6 \psi_{12j} \varepsilon_j \right) (\eta_1 \eta_2 + \eta_3 \eta_4) + \frac{1}{4} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_{14i} \varepsilon_i + \sum_{j=4}^6 \psi_{14j} \varepsilon_j \right) (\eta_1 \eta_4 + \eta_2 \eta_3), \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

$$\hat{H}_s = - \sum_q \left(\mathcal{H}_1 \frac{\sigma_{q1}}{2} + \mathcal{H}_2 \frac{\sigma_{q2}}{2} + \mathcal{H}_3 \frac{\sigma_{q3}}{2} + \mathcal{H}_4 \frac{\sigma_{q4}}{2} \right), \quad (2.8)$$

and $\eta_f = \langle \sigma_{qf} \rangle$. In (2.8) the notations are used:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_1 = & \frac{1}{2} J_{11} \eta_1 + \frac{1}{2} J_{12} \eta_2 + \frac{1}{2} J_{13} \eta_3 + \frac{1}{2} J_{14} \eta_4 + \mu_{13}^x E_1 + \mu_{13}^y E_2 + \mu_{13}^z E_3, \\ \mathcal{H}_2 = & \frac{1}{2} J_{22} \eta_2 + \frac{1}{2} J_{12} \eta_1 + \frac{1}{2} J_{24} \eta_4 + \frac{1}{2} J_{14} \eta_3 - \mu_{24}^x E_1 - \mu_{24}^y E_2 + \mu_{24}^z E_3, \\ \mathcal{H}_3 = & \frac{1}{2} J_{11} \eta_3 + \frac{1}{2} J_{12} \eta_4 + \frac{1}{2} J_{13} \eta_1 + \frac{1}{2} J_{14} \eta_2 - \mu_{13}^x E_1 + \mu_{13}^y E_2 - \mu_{13}^z E_3, \\ \mathcal{H}_4 = & \frac{1}{2} J_{22} \eta_4 + \frac{1}{2} J_{12} \eta_3 + \frac{1}{2} J_{24} \eta_2 + \frac{1}{2} J_{14} \eta_1 + \mu_{24}^x E_1 - \mu_{24}^y E_2 - \mu_{24}^z E_3. \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

In (2.9) $\mu_{13}^{x,y,z} = \mu_1^{x,y,z} = \mu_3^{x,y,z}$, $\mu_{24}^{x,y,z} = \mu_2^{x,y,z} = \mu_4^{x,y,z}$ are the effective dipole moments per one pseudospin.

The two-particle cluster approximation is used for calculation of thermodynamic and dielectric characteristics of GPI. In this approximation, thermodynamic potential is given by:

$$G = NU_{\text{seed}} + NH^0 - k_B T \sum_q \left[2 \ln \text{Sp} e^{-\beta \hat{H}_q^{(2)}} - \sum_{f=1}^4 \ln \text{Sp} e^{-\beta \hat{H}_{qf}^{(1)}} \right], \quad (2.10)$$

where $\hat{H}_q^{(2)}$, $\hat{H}_{qf}^{(1)}$ are two-particle and one-particle Hamiltonians:

$$\hat{H}_q^{(2)} = -2w \left(\frac{\sigma_{q1} \sigma_{q2}}{2} + \frac{\sigma_{q3} \sigma_{q4}}{2} \right) - \frac{y_1 \sigma_{q1}}{\beta} - \frac{y_2 \sigma_{q2}}{\beta} - \frac{y_3 \sigma_{q3}}{\beta} - \frac{y_4 \sigma_{q4}}{\beta}, \quad (2.11)$$

$$\hat{H}_{qf}^{(1)} = -\frac{\bar{y}_f \sigma_{qf}}{\beta}. \quad (2.12)$$

Here:

$$y_f = \beta(\Delta_f + \mathcal{H}_f), \quad \bar{y}_f = \beta\Delta_f + y_f. \quad (2.13)$$

The symbols Δ_f are the effective fields created by the neighboring bonds from outside of the cluster. In the cluster approximation, the fields Δ_f can be determined from the self-consistency condition, which states that the mean values of the pseudospins $\langle \sigma_{qf} \rangle$ calculated with the two-particle and one-particle Gibbs distribution, respectively, should coincide. That is,

$$\frac{\text{Sp } \sigma_{qf} e^{-\beta \hat{H}_q^{(2)}}}{\text{Sp } e^{-\beta \hat{H}_q^{(2)}}} = \frac{\text{Sp } \sigma_{qf} e^{-\beta \hat{H}_{qf}^{(1)}}}{\text{Sp } e^{-\beta \hat{H}_{qf}^{(1)}}}. \quad (2.14)$$

Hence, based on (2.14) taking into account (2.11) and (2.12) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_{1,3} &= \frac{1}{D} \left(\sinh n_1 \pm \sinh n_2 + a^2 \sinh n_3 \pm a^2 \sinh n_4 + a \sinh n_5 + a \sinh n_6 \mp a \sinh n_7 \pm a \sinh n_8 \right) \\ &= \tanh \frac{\bar{y}_{1,3}}{2}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_{2,4} &= \frac{1}{D} \left(\sinh n_1 \pm \sinh n_2 - a^2 \sinh n_3 \mp a^2 \sinh n_4 \mp a \sinh n_5 \pm a \sinh n_6 + a \sinh n_7 + a \sinh n_8 \right) \\ &= \tanh \frac{\bar{y}_{2,4}}{2}, \end{aligned}$$

$$D = \cosh n_1 + \cosh n_2 + a^2 \cosh n_3 + a^2 \cosh n_4 + a \cosh n_5 + a \cosh n_6 + a \cosh n_7 + a \cosh n_8, \quad (2.15)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \exp \left[-\frac{1}{k_B T} \left(w^0 + \sum_{i=1}^3 \delta_i \varepsilon_i + \sum_{j=4}^6 \delta_j \varepsilon_j \right) \right], \\ n_1 &= \frac{1}{2}(y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4), & n_2 &= \frac{1}{2}(y_1 + y_2 - y_3 - y_4), \\ n_3 &= \frac{1}{2}(y_1 - y_2 + y_3 - y_4), & n_4 &= \frac{1}{2}(y_1 - y_2 - y_3 + y_4), \\ n_5 &= \frac{1}{2}(y_1 - y_2 + y_3 + y_4), & n_6 &= \frac{1}{2}(y_1 + y_2 + y_3 - y_4), \\ n_7 &= \frac{1}{2}(-y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4), & n_8 &= \frac{1}{2}(y_1 + y_2 - y_3 + y_4). \end{aligned}$$

Taking into consideration (2.15), we exclude the parameters Δ_f and write the relations

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1 + \eta_1}{1 - \eta_1} + \beta v_{11} \eta_1 + \beta v_{12} \eta_2 + \beta v_{13} \eta_3 + \beta v_{14} \eta_4 + \frac{\beta}{2} (\mu_{13}^x E_1 + \mu_{13}^y E_2 + \mu_{13}^z E_3), \\ y_2 &= \beta v_{12} \eta_1 + \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1 + \eta_2}{1 - \eta_2} + \beta v_{22} \eta_2 + \beta v_{14} \eta_3 + \beta v_{24} \eta_4 + \frac{\beta}{2} (-\mu_{24}^x E_1 - \mu_{24}^y E_2 + \mu_{24}^z E_3), \\ y_3 &= \beta v_{13} \eta_1 + \beta v_{14} \eta_2 + \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1 + \eta_3}{1 - \eta_3} + \beta v_{11} \eta_3 + \beta v_{12} \eta_4 + \frac{\beta}{2} (-\mu_{13}^x E_1 + \mu_{13}^y E_2 - \mu_{13}^z E_3), \\ y_4 &= \beta v_{14} \eta_1 + \beta v_{24} \eta_2 + \beta v_{12} \eta_3 + \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1 + \eta_4}{1 - \eta_4} + \beta v_{22} \eta_4 + \frac{\beta}{2} (\mu_{24}^x E_1 - \mu_{24}^y E_2 - \mu_{24}^z E_3), \end{aligned}$$

where $v_{ff'} = \frac{J_{ff'}}{4}$.

3. Dielectric characteristics of GPI

To calculate the dielectric, piezoelectric and elastic characteristics of the GPI, we use the thermodynamic potential per one primitive cell obtained in the two-particle cluster approximation:

$$g = \frac{G}{N} = U_{\text{seed}} + H^0 - 2 \left(w^0 + \sum_{i=1}^3 \delta_i \varepsilon_i + \sum_{j=4}^6 \delta_j \varepsilon_j \right) - \frac{1}{2} k_B T \sum_{f=1}^4 \ln(1 - \eta_f^2) - 2k_B T \ln D + 2k_B T \ln 2. \quad (3.1)$$

Minimizing the thermodynamic potential with respect to the strains ε_i , ε_j , we have obtained equations for the strains:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= c_{11}^{E0} \varepsilon_1 + c_{12}^{E0} \varepsilon_2 + c_{13}^{E0} \varepsilon_3 + c_{15}^{E0} \varepsilon_5 - e_{21}^0 E_2 - \frac{2\delta_l}{v} + \frac{2\delta_l}{vD} M_\varepsilon - \frac{\psi_{11l}}{8v} (\eta_1^2 + \eta_3^2) - \frac{\psi_{13l}}{4v} \eta_1 \eta_3 \\ &\quad - \frac{\psi_{22l}}{8v} (\eta_2^2 + \eta_4^2) - \frac{\psi_{24l}}{4v} \eta_2 \eta_4 - \frac{\psi_{12l}}{4v} (\eta_1 \eta_2 + \eta_3 \eta_4) - \frac{\psi_{14l}}{4v} (\eta_1 \eta_4 + \eta_2 \eta_3), \quad (l = 1, 2, 3, 5) \\ 0 &= c_{44}^{E0} \varepsilon_4 + c_{46}^{E0} \varepsilon_6 - e_{14}^0 E_1 - e_{34}^0 E_3 - \frac{2\delta_4}{v} + \frac{2\delta_4}{vD} M_\varepsilon - \frac{\psi_{114}}{8v} (\eta_1^2 + \eta_3^2) - \frac{\psi_{134}}{4v} \eta_1 \eta_3 \\ &\quad - \frac{\psi_{224}}{8v} (\eta_2^2 + \eta_4^2) - \frac{\psi_{244}}{4v} \eta_2 \eta_4 - \frac{\psi_{124}}{4v} (\eta_1 \eta_2 + \eta_3 \eta_4) - \frac{\psi_{144}}{4v} (\eta_1 \eta_4 + \eta_2 \eta_3), \\ 0 &= c_{46}^{E0} \varepsilon_4 + c_{66}^{E0} \varepsilon_6 - e_{16}^0 E_1 - e_{36}^0 E_3 - \frac{2\delta_6}{v} + \frac{2\delta_6}{vD} M_\varepsilon - \frac{\psi_{116}}{8v} (\eta_1^2 + \eta_3^2) - \frac{\psi_{136}}{4v} \eta_1 \eta_3 \\ &\quad - \frac{\psi_{226}}{8v} (\eta_2^2 + \eta_4^2) - \frac{\psi_{246}}{4v} \eta_2 \eta_4 - \frac{\psi_{126}}{4v} (\eta_1 \eta_2 + \eta_3 \eta_4) - \frac{\psi_{146}}{4v} (\eta_1 \eta_4 + \eta_2 \eta_3), \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

where

$$M_\varepsilon = 2a^2 \cosh n_3 + 2a^2 \cosh n_4 + a \cosh n_5 + a \cosh n_6 + a \cosh n_7 + a \cosh n_8.$$

Differentiating the thermodynamic potential over the fields E_i we get the expressions for polarizations P_i

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 &= e_{14}^0 \varepsilon_4 + e_{16}^0 \varepsilon_6 + \chi_{11}^{\varepsilon 0} E_1 + \chi_{31}^{\varepsilon 0} E_3 + \frac{1}{2v} [\mu_{13}^x (\eta_1 - \eta_3) - \mu_{24}^x (\eta_2 - \eta_4)], \\ P_2 &= e_{21}^0 \varepsilon_1 + e_{22}^0 \varepsilon_2 + e_{23}^0 \varepsilon_3 + e_{25}^0 \varepsilon_5 + \chi_{22}^{\varepsilon 0} E_2 + \frac{1}{2v} [\mu_{13}^y (\eta_1 + \eta_3) - \mu_{24}^y (\eta_2 + \eta_4)], \\ P_3 &= e_{34}^0 \varepsilon_4 + e_{66}^0 \varepsilon_6 + \chi_{33}^{\varepsilon 0} E_3 + \chi_{31}^{\varepsilon 0} E_1 + \frac{1}{2v} [\mu_{13}^z (\eta_1 - \eta_3) + \mu_{24}^z (\eta_2 - \eta_4)]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

Diagonal components of the static isothermic dielectric susceptibilities of mechanically clamped crystal GPI are given by:

$$\chi_{11}^\varepsilon = \chi_{11}^{\varepsilon 0} + \frac{1}{2v\Delta} [\mu_{13}^x (\Delta_1^{x^x} - \Delta_3^{x^x}) - \mu_{24}^x (\Delta_2^{x^x} - \Delta_4^{x^x})], \quad (3.4)$$

$$\chi_{22}^\varepsilon = \chi_{22}^{\varepsilon 0} + \frac{1}{2v\Delta} [\mu_{13}^y (\Delta_1^{y^y} + \Delta_3^{y^y}) - \mu_{24}^y (\Delta_2^{y^y} + \Delta_4^{y^y})], \quad (3.5)$$

$$\chi_{33}^\varepsilon = \chi_{33}^{\varepsilon 0} + \frac{1}{2v\Delta} [\mu_{13}^z (\Delta_1^{z^z} - \Delta_3^{z^z}) + \mu_{24}^z (\Delta_2^{z^z} - \Delta_4^{z^z})]. \quad (3.6)$$

Here, the ratio

$$\frac{\Delta_f^{\chi^\alpha}}{\Delta} = \left(\frac{\partial \eta_f}{\partial E_\alpha} \right)_{\varepsilon_i}$$

has the meaning of the local pseudospin susceptibility, which describes the reaction of the f -th order parameter to the external electric field E_α at constant strains. Explicit expressions for quantities introduced here are given in the appendix [formulae (A.1) and (A.2)].

Based on (3.2), we have obtained expressions for isothermic coefficients of piezoelectric stress e_{2j} of GPI:

$$e_{2l} = \left(\frac{\partial P_2}{\partial \varepsilon_l} \right)_{E_2} = e_{2l}^0 + \frac{\mu_{13}^y}{2v\Delta} (\Delta_{1l}^e + \Delta_{3l}^e) - \frac{\mu_{24}^y}{2v\Delta} (\Delta_{2l}^e + \Delta_{4l}^e). \quad (3.7)$$

Here, the ratio

$$\frac{\Delta_{fl}^e}{\Delta} = \left(\frac{\partial \eta_f}{\partial \varepsilon_l} \right)_{E_2}$$

describes the reaction of the f -th order parameter on the strain ε_l at constant external fields [see the appendix, formula (A.3)].

4. Comparison with the experimental data

To calculate the temperature and field dependences of dielectric and piezoelectric characteristics of GPI, we have to determine the values of the following parameters:

- parameter of short-range interactions w^0 ;
- parameters of long-range interactions $\nu_f^{0\pm}$ ($f = 1, 2, 3$);
- deformational potentials $\delta_i, \psi_{fi}^{\pm}$ ($f = 1, 2, 3; i = 1, \dots, 6$);
- effective dipole moments $\mu_{13}^x; \mu_{24}^x; \mu_{13}^y; \mu_{24}^y; \mu_{13}^z; \mu_{24}^z$;
- “seed” dielectric susceptibilities $\chi_{ii}^{\varepsilon 0}, \chi_{31}^{\varepsilon 0}$ ($i = 1, 2, 3$);
- “seed” coefficients of piezoelectric stress $e_{2i}^0, e_{25}^0, e_{14}^0, e_{16}^0, e_{34}^0, e_{36}^0$;
- “seed” elastic constants $c_{i'i'}^{E0}, c_{jj}^{E0}, c_{i5}^{E0}, c_{46}^{E0}$ ($i = 1, 2, 3; i' = 1, 2, 3; j = 4, 5, 6$).

To determine the above listed parameters, we use the measured temperature dependences for the set of physical characteristics of GPI, namely $P_s(T)$ [14], $\varepsilon_{11}^{\sigma}, \varepsilon_{33}^{\sigma}$ [1], d_{21}, d_{23} [15], as well as the dependence of phase transition temperature $T_c(p)$ [16] on hydrostatic pressure.

The volume of primitive cell of GPI is the $\nu_H = 0.601 \cdot 10^{-21} \text{ cm}^3$ [5].

Numerical analysis shows that thermodynamic characteristics depend on the two linear combinations of long-range interactions $\nu^{0+} = \nu_1^{0+} + 2\nu_2^{0+} + \nu_3^{0+}$ and $\nu^{0-} = \nu_1^{0-} + 2\nu_2^{0-} + \nu_3^{0-}$ and practically do not depend (deviation $< 0.1\%$) on separate values of the $\nu_f^{0\pm}$ at given ν^{0+} and ν^{0-} . The optimal values of these combinations are $\nu^{0+}/k_B = 10.57 \text{ K}$, $\nu^{0-}/k_B = -0.8 \text{ K}$; as concrete values of the $\nu_f^{0\pm}$ we use $\tilde{\nu}_1^{0+} = \tilde{\nu}_2^{0+} = \tilde{\nu}_3^{0+} = 2.643 \text{ K}$, $\tilde{\nu}_1^{0-} = \tilde{\nu}_2^{0-} = \tilde{\nu}_3^{0-} = 0.2 \text{ K}$, where $\tilde{\nu}_f^{0\pm} = \nu_f^{0\pm}/k_B$.

Since the phase transition in the GPI is of the second order, from the condition of nullification of the inverse longitudinal dielectric susceptibility (3.5) we can obtain the equation $\Delta(T_c) = 0$ for phase transition temperature. This equation connects the parameter of short-range interactions w^0 with the parameters of long-range interactions ν_1^{0+}, ν_2^{0+} and ν_3^{0+} . From this equation at $\vec{E} = 0$ and at the given $\nu_1^{0+}, \nu_2^{0+}, \nu_3^{0+}$ and other parameter values, we obtain the value of the short-range parameter w^0 . Its optimal value is $w^0 = 820 \text{ K}$. The optimal values of deformational potentials δ_j , which are coefficients of linear expansion of the parameter w^0 over the strains ε_j [see (2.4)], are as follows: $\tilde{\delta}_1 = 500 \text{ K}$, $\tilde{\delta}_2 = 600 \text{ K}$, $\tilde{\delta}_3 = 500 \text{ K}$, $\tilde{\delta}_4 = 150 \text{ K}$, $\tilde{\delta}_5 = 100 \text{ K}$, $\tilde{\delta}_6 = 150 \text{ K}$; $\tilde{\delta}_i = \delta_i/k_B$.

For parameters ψ_{fi}^{\pm} , similarly to the $\nu_f^{0\pm}$, the 6 linear combinations $\psi_i^+ = \psi_{1i}^+ + 2\psi_{2i}^+ + \psi_{3i}^+$ and 6 combinations $\psi_i^- = \psi_{1i}^- + 2\psi_{2i}^- + \psi_{3i}^-$ are important. Thermodynamic characteristics practically do not depend (deviation $< 0.1\%$) on separate values of the ψ_{fi}^{\pm} at given ψ_i^+ and ψ_i^- . The optimal values of

the ψ_{fi}^{\pm} , are as follows: $\tilde{\psi}_{f1}^+ = 87.9$ K, $\tilde{\psi}_{f2}^+ = 237.0$ K, $\tilde{\psi}_{f3}^+ = 103.8$ K, $\tilde{\psi}_{f4}^+ = 149.1$ K, $\tilde{\psi}_{f5}^+ = 21.3$ K, $\tilde{\psi}_{f6}^+ = 143.8$ K, $\tilde{\psi}_{fi}^- = 0$ K, where $\tilde{\psi}_{fi}^{\pm} = \psi_{fi}^{\pm}/k_B$.

Effective dipole moments in the paraelectric phase are equal to $\vec{\mu}_{13} = (0.4, 4.02, 4.3) \cdot 10^{-18}$ esu-cm, $\vec{\mu}_{24} = (-2.3, -3.0, 2.2) \cdot 10^{-18}$ esu-cm. In the ferroelectric phase, the y -component of the first dipole moment is $\mu_{13\text{ferro}}^y = 3.82 \cdot 10^{-18}$ esu-cm; X-ray investigation [4] determined the coordinates of atoms in the primitive cell of GPI. The calculated displacements of the protons, which we marked as 1 and 2, relative to the centers of hydrogen bonds in ferroelectric phase are equal to $\Delta\vec{r}_1 = (-0.016, -0.495, -0.160)$ Å, $\Delta\vec{r}_2 = (0.389, 0.383, -0.147)$ Å. The obtained dipole moments are not proportional to the corresponding proton displacements. This means that in addition to the proton displacements, the phosphite and glycine groups also take part in forming the effective dipole moments.

For the “seed” coefficients of piezoelectric stress, dielectric susceptibilities and elastic constants, the following values are obtained:

$$\begin{aligned} e_{21}^0 &= e_{22}^0 = e_{23}^0 = e_{25}^0 = e_{14}^0 = e_{16}^0 = e_{34}^0 = e_{36}^0 = 0.0 \frac{\text{esu}}{\text{cm}^2}; \quad \chi_{11}^{\varepsilon 0} = 0.1, \quad \chi_{22}^{\varepsilon 0} = 0.403, \quad \chi_{33}^{\varepsilon 0} = 0.5, \\ \chi_{31}^{\varepsilon 0} &= 0.0; \quad c_{11}^{0E} = 26.91 \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{dyn}}{\text{cm}^2}, \quad c_{12}^{E0} = 14.5 \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{dyn}}{\text{cm}^2}, \quad c_{13}^{E0} = 11.64 \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{dyn}}{\text{cm}^2}, \\ c_{15}^{E0} &= 3.91 \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{dyn}}{\text{cm}^2}, \quad c_{22}^{E0} = [64.99 - 0.04(T - T_c)] \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{dyn}}{\text{cm}^2}, \quad c_{23}^{E0} = 20.38 \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{dyn}}{\text{cm}^2}, \\ c_{25}^{E0} &= 5.64 \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{dyn}}{\text{cm}^2}, \quad c_{33}^{E0} = 24.41 \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{dyn}}{\text{cm}^2}, \quad c_{35}^{E0} = -2.84 \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{dyn}}{\text{cm}^2}, \quad c_{55}^{E0} = 8.54 \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{dyn}}{\text{cm}^2}, \\ c_{44}^{E0} &= 15.31 \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{dyn}}{\text{cm}^2}, \quad c_{46}^{E0} = -1.1 \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{dyn}}{\text{cm}^2}, \quad c_{66}^{E0} = 11.88 \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{dyn}}{\text{cm}^2}. \end{aligned}$$

In [10], the phase transition temperature of the GPI crystal was $T_c = 222$ K. Explaining the experimental data [10] we suppose that all interactions in this crystal are proportional to the interactions in the crystal with $T_c = 225$ K. Thus, $w^0(222 \text{ K}) = kw^0(225 \text{ K})$, $v_f^{0\pm}(222 \text{ K}) = kv_f^{0\pm}(225 \text{ K})$, $\delta_i(222 \text{ K}) = k\delta_i(225 \text{ K})$, $\psi_{fi}^{\pm}(222 \text{ K}) = k\psi_{fi}^{\pm}(225 \text{ K})$, where $k = 0.987 \approx 222/225$. Besides, the y -components of the dipole moments are the same in paraelectric and ferroelectric phases, that is $\mu_{13\text{ferro}}^y = \mu_{13\text{para}}^y = 3.82 \cdot 10^{-18}$ esu-cm; and z -component $\mu_{13}^z = 4.2 \cdot 10^{-18}$ esu-cm. All other parameters are taken the same as for the crystal with $T_c = 225$ K.

Now, let us look at the results obtained in this paper for temperature and field dependences of physical characteristics of the GPI crystal at different values of strength of the electric fields E_1 and E_3 . Numerical calculations of dielectric characteristics of the GPI are carried out for the strength of the fields from 0 up to ± 4 MV/m.

Temperature dependences of the order parameters at different values of the fields E_1 or E_3 are presented in figures 3 and 4. At zero fields, the mean values of pseudospins are $\eta_1 = \eta_3$, $\eta_2 = \eta_4$ in the ferroelectric phase, and $\eta_1 = \eta_2 = \eta_3 = \eta_4 = 0$ in the paraelectric phase.

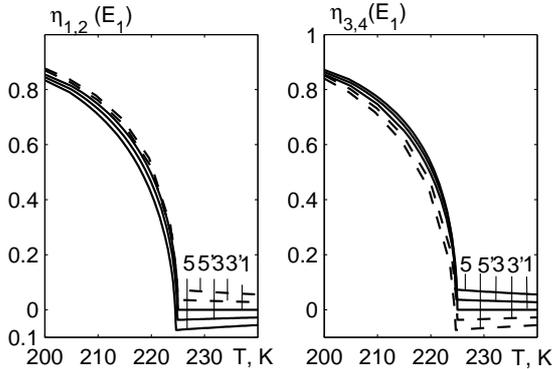


Figure 3. The temperature dependences of the order parameters η_f of the GPI crystal at different values of the electric field E_1 (MV/m): 0.0 — 1; 2.0 — 3; -2.0 — 3'; 4.0 — 5; -4.0 — 5'.

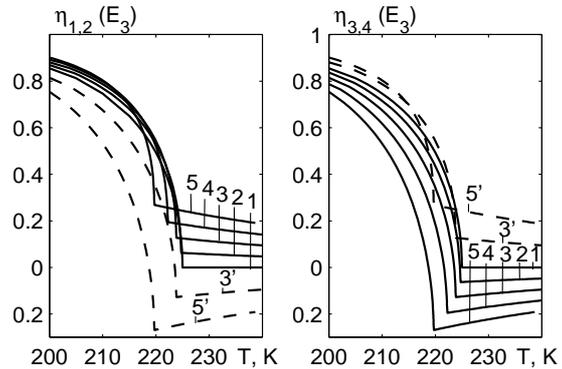


Figure 4. The temperature dependences of the order parameters η_f of the GPI crystal at different values of the electric field E_3 (MV/m): 0.0 — 1; 1.0 — 2; 2.0 — 3; 3.0 — 4; 4.0 — 5; -2.0 — 3'; -4.0 — 5'.

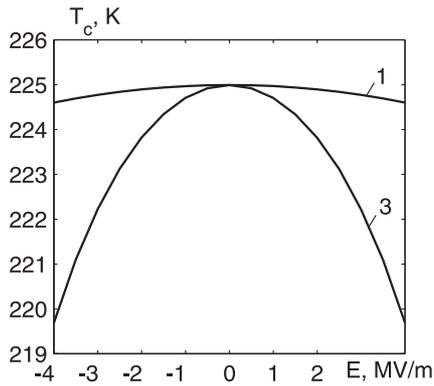


Figure 5. The dependences of the phase transition temperature T_c of GPI crystal on the electric fields E_1 (1) and E_3 (3).

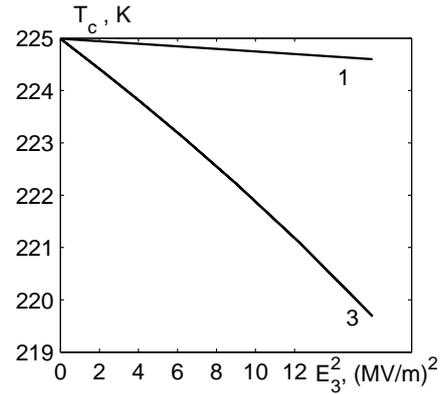


Figure 6. The dependences of the phase transition temperature T_c of GPI crystal on the squares of the electric fields E_1 (1) and E_3 (3).

The electric field $E_1 > 0$ slightly splits the mean values of pseudospins in the ferroelectric phase, and fairly strongly in the paraelectric phase. In the paraelectric phase, $\eta_1 = \eta_2 < 0$, $\eta_3 = \eta_4 > 0$. An increase of the field E_1 leads to a decrease of the η_1 , η_2 and to an increase of η_3 , η_4 parameters. In the case of $E_1 < 0$, in the paraelectric phase $\eta_1 = \eta_2 > 0$, $\eta_3 = \eta_4 < 0$.

Applying the electric field $E_3 > 0$ also leads to a splitting of the mean values of pseudospins, but much stronger than in the case of the field E_1 . Here, $\eta_1 = \eta_2 > 0$, $\eta_3 = \eta_4 < 0$ in the paraelectric phase. An increase of the field E_3 in the ferroelectric phase leads to an increase of η_1 , η_2 and to a decrease of η_3 , η_4 parameters. At $E_3 < 0$, in the paraelectric phase $\eta_1 = \eta_2 < 0$, $\eta_3 = \eta_4 > 0$.

The dependences of the phase transition temperature T_c of GPI crystal on the electric fields E_1 and E_3 , and on the squares of these fields are presented in figures 5 and 6, respectively. With an increase of the fields E_1 and E_3 , the phase transition temperatures T_c decrease, especially for the field E_3 .

It is shown that the dependences $T_c(E_{1,3})$ are close to quadratic in the fields (see [10]), and at the fields up to 4 MV/m, they can be written as:

$$T_c(E_1) = T_c - k_1^T E_1^2, \quad T_c(E_3) = T_c - k_3^T E_3^2,$$

where $k_1^T = 0.025 \text{ Km}^2/\text{MV}^2$, $k_3^T = 0.3325 \text{ Km}^2/\text{MV}^2$.

In figure 7 there are presented the temperature dependences of the components of polarization P_i of GPI crystal at different values of the field E_1 , and in figure 8 — at different values of the field E_3 .

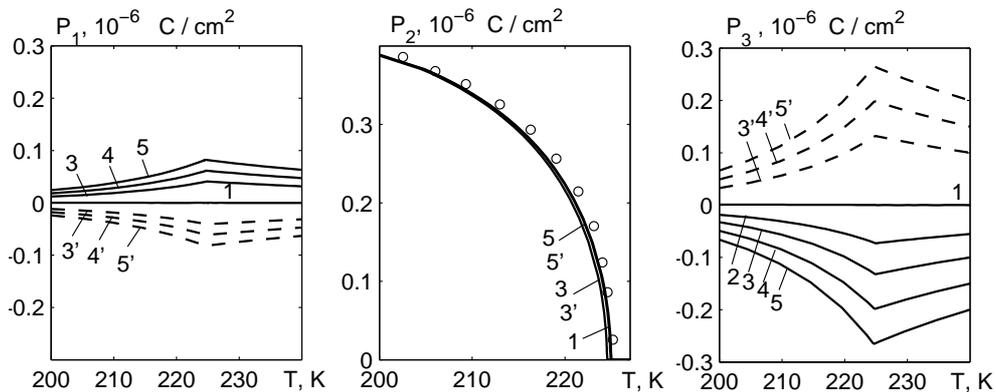


Figure 7. The temperature dependences of the components of polarization P_1 , P_2 , P_3 of GPI crystal at different values of the field E_1 (MV/m): 0.0 — 1; 1.0 — 2; 2.0 — 3; 3.0 — 4; 4.0 — 5; -2.0 — 3'; -3.0 — 4'; -4.0 — 5'; \circ are the experimental data [14].

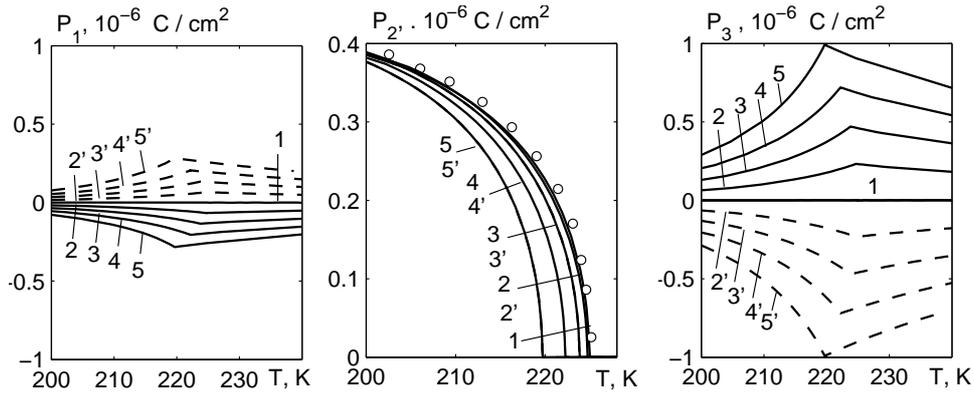


Figure 8. The temperature dependences of the components of polarization P_1 , P_2 , P_3 of GPI crystal at different values of the field E_3 (MV/m): 0.0 — 1; 1.0 — 2; 2.0 — 3; 3.0 — 4; 4.0 — 5; -1.0 — 2'; -2.0 — 3'; -3.0 — 4'; -4.0 — 5'; \circ are the experimental data [14].

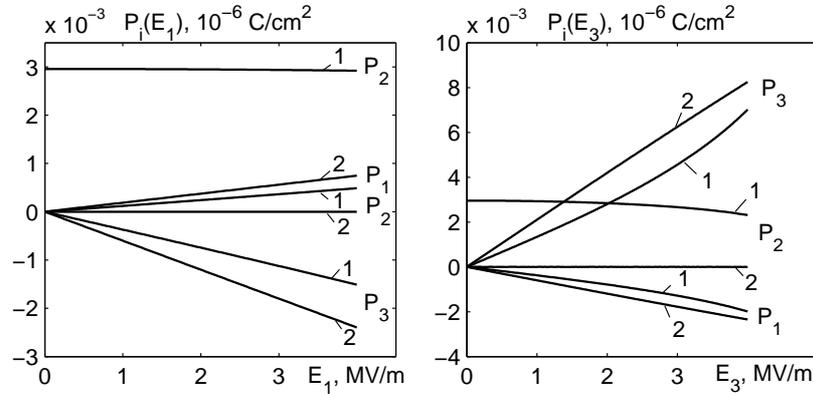


Figure 9. The dependences of polarizations P_1 , P_2 , P_3 of GPI crystal on the fields E_1 and E_3 at different temperatures T (K): 215 — 1; 230 — 2.

With an increase of strength of the electric field E_1 , the spontaneous polarization P_2 slightly decreases, but polarization P_1 induced by the field increases. Polarization P_3 induced by the field E_1 is negative, and in magnitude it is three times larger than the P_1 . At the field $E_1 < 0$, the sign of polarizations P_1 and P_3 is opposite, and the magnitude of the P_2 also decreases.

However, an increase of the field E_3 leads to a decrease of spontaneous polarization P_2 and to an increase of the polarization P_3 ; besides, the $P_3(E_3)$ increases more appreciably than in the case of $P_1(E_1)$. The temperature dependence of the negative polarization $P_1(E_3)$ induced by the field E_3 is analogous to the $P_3(E_1)$ and the value of the $P_1(E_3)$ is almost equal to the value of the $P_3(E_1)$. It is necessary to note that the effect of the field $E_3 < 0$ on the components of polarization is qualitatively similar to the effect of the field $E_1 > 0$ on them. The dependences of polarizations P_1 , P_2 , P_3 of GPI crystal on the fields E_1 and E_3 at different temperatures T are presented in figure 9.

Changes in the temperature dependences of the components of static dielectric permittivities $\epsilon_{ii} = 1 + 4\pi\chi_{ii}$ of GPI crystal under the action of transverse electric fields E_1 and E_3 are shown in figures 10–12.

Values of the permittivities $\epsilon_{11}(E_1)$, $\epsilon_{33}(E_1)$ slightly increase in the ferroelectric phase and slightly decrease in the paraelectric phase. The action of the field E_3 is much stronger. The temperature dependences of the $\epsilon_{11}(E_3)$ and $\epsilon_{33}(E_3)$ have jumps at the phase transition point, which rise with an increase of the field E_3 and shift to the lower temperatures. Changes in signs of the fields do not influence the values of permittivities.

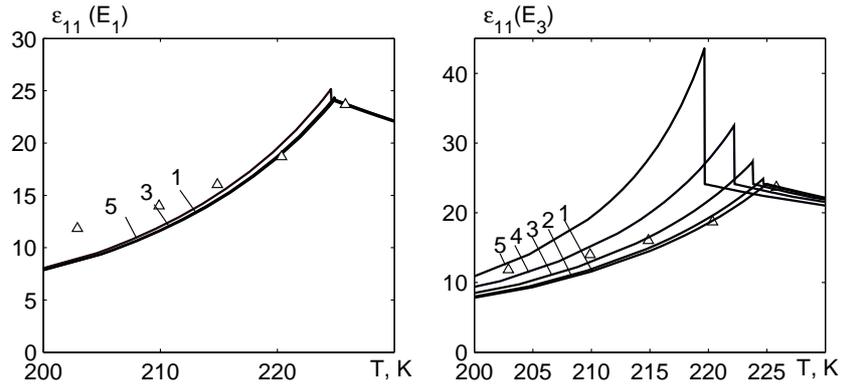


Figure 10. The temperature dependences of the static dielectric permittivity ε_{11} of GPI crystal at different values of the fields E_1 and E_3 (MV/m): 0.0 — 1; 1.0 — 2; 2.0 — 3; 3.0 — 4; 4.0 — 5; Δ are the experimental data [1].

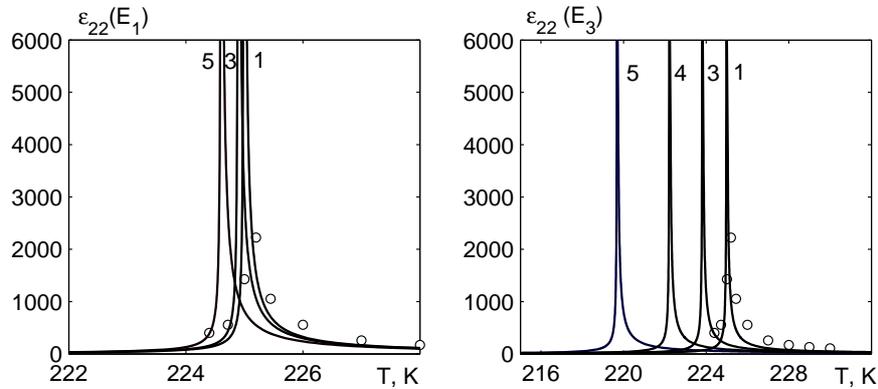


Figure 11. The temperature dependences of the static dielectric permittivity ε_{22} of GPI crystal at different values of the fields E_1 and E_3 (MV/m): 0.0 — 1; 1.0 — 2; 2.0 — 3; 3.0 — 4; 4.0 — 5; o are the experimental data [17].

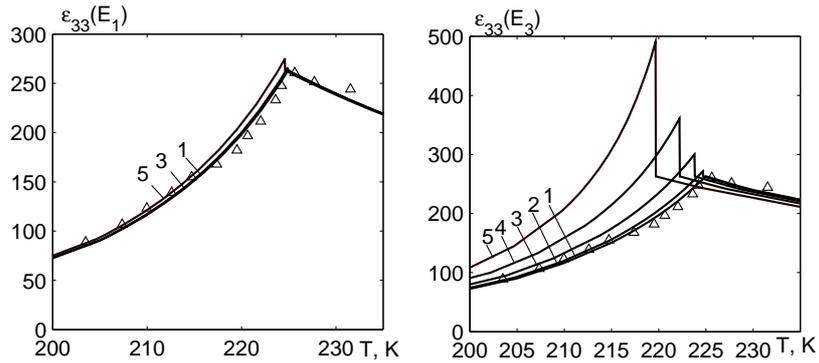


Figure 12. The temperature dependences of the static dielectric permittivity ε_{33} of GPI crystal at different values of the fields E_1 and E_3 (MV/m): 0.0 — 1; 1.0 — 2; 2.0 — 3; 3.0 — 4; 4.0 — 5; Δ are the experimental data [1].

The jumps of the permittivities at the phase transition point $\Delta\varepsilon_{11}(E_{1,3})$ and $\Delta\varepsilon_{33}(E_{1,3})$ are nearly proportional to the squares of the strengths of the fields E_1 and E_3 (figure 13):

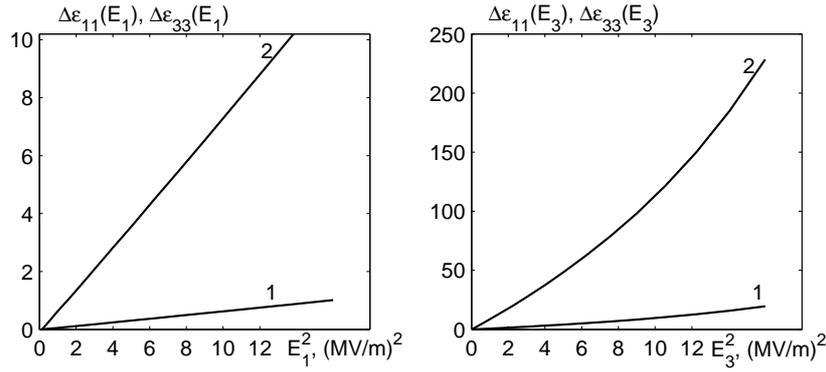


Figure 13. The dependences of the jumps of the permittivities $\varepsilon_{11}(1)$ and $\varepsilon_{33}(2)$ of GPI crystal on the squares of the electric fields E_1 and E_3 .

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\varepsilon_{11}(E_1) &= k_{11}^\varepsilon E_1^2, & \Delta\varepsilon_{11}(E_3) &= k_{13}^\varepsilon E_3^2, \\ \Delta\varepsilon_{33}(E_1) &= k_{31}^\varepsilon E_1^2, & \Delta\varepsilon_{33}(E_3) &= k_{33}^\varepsilon E_3^2,\end{aligned}$$

where the coefficients are $k_{11} = 0.064 \text{ Km}^2/\text{MV}^2$, $k_{13} = 1.0 \text{ Km}^2/\text{MV}^2$, $k_{31} = 0.725 \text{ Km}^2/\text{MV}^2$, $k_{33} = 12.5 \text{ Km}^2/\text{MV}^2$.

The temperature dependences of the coefficients of piezoelectric stress e_{2i} at different values of the electric fields E_1 and E_3 are presented in figures 14 and 15. An increase of the field E_1 leads to a slight increase of piezomoduli e_{2i} . The splitting of the temperature dependences of e_{2i} is much stronger in the case of field E_3 .

The results of an experimental investigation of the static dielectric permittivity ε_{33} of GPI crystal at different values of the field E_3 are presented in [10, 11]. The phase transition temperature for this case was 222 K, but the field dependence of the T_c is similar to the crystal with $T_c = 225 \text{ K}$. Therefore, having made the above mentioned changes of the model parameters, we consider it possible to explain the experimental data. The calculated temperature dependences of the static direct ε_{33} and inverse ε_{33}^{-1} permittivities of GPI crystal at different values of the field E_3 as well as the experimental data are presented in figure 16. It is shown that at the phase transition temperature, theoretical curves $\varepsilon_{33}(T)$ have a sharp jump whose magnitude increases with an increase of the field. However, the experimental curves $\varepsilon_{33}(T)$ are smooth, as in the case of a smeared phase transition.

In order to consider the reason of such a behaviour of permittivity ε_{33} , there was carried out a calculation of this component assuming that together with the applied field E_3 there also appears an internal field E_2 . As it turned out, one can achieve a satisfactory description of the temperature dependence

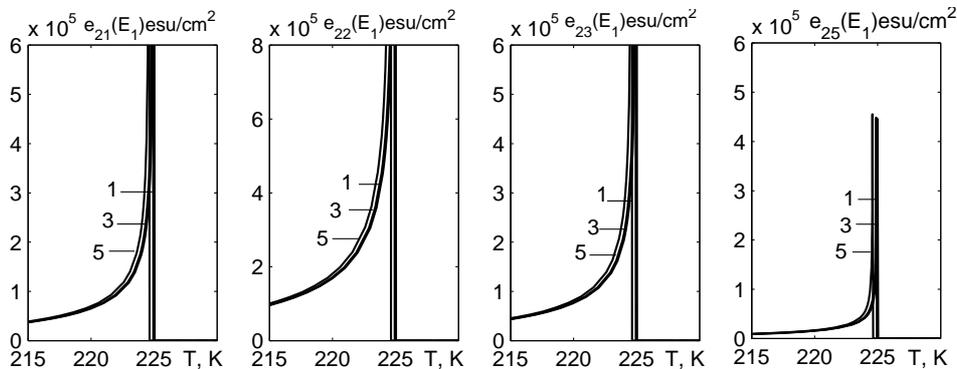


Figure 14. The temperature dependences of the coefficients of piezoelectric stress e_{2i} of GPI crystal at different values of the electric field E_1 (MV/m): 0.0 — 1; 2.0 — 3; 4.0 — 5.

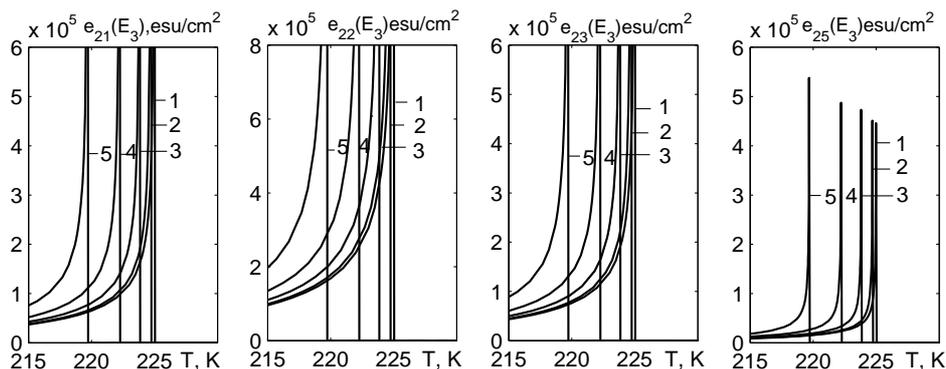


Figure 15. The temperature dependences of the coefficients of piezoelectric stress e_{2i} of GPI crystal at different values of the electric field E_3 (MV/m): 0.0 — 1; 1.0 — 2; 2.0 — 3; 3.0 — 4; 4.0 — 5.

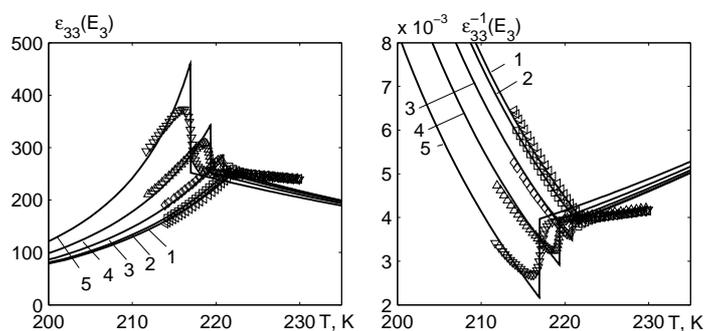


Figure 16. The temperature dependences of the static direct ϵ_{33} and inverse ϵ_{33}^{-1} permittivities of GPI crystal at different values of the field E_3 (MV/m): 0.0 — 1; 1.0 — 2; 2.0 — 3; 3.0 — 4; 4.0 — 5; symbols ∇ , Δ , \diamond , \square , \blacktriangleleft are the experimental data [10, 11].

of ϵ_{33} , assuming $E_2 \sim 0.05E_3$ (figure 17). Such a component of the field E_2 could appear due to an incomplete reorientational relaxation of the glycine groups (which manifests itself during measurements in the hysteresis behaviour of ϵ_{33}); one cannot exclude the possibility of some deflection of the applied transverse field from the OZ -axis during the experiment (about 2.86°). Nevertheless, if the effect is

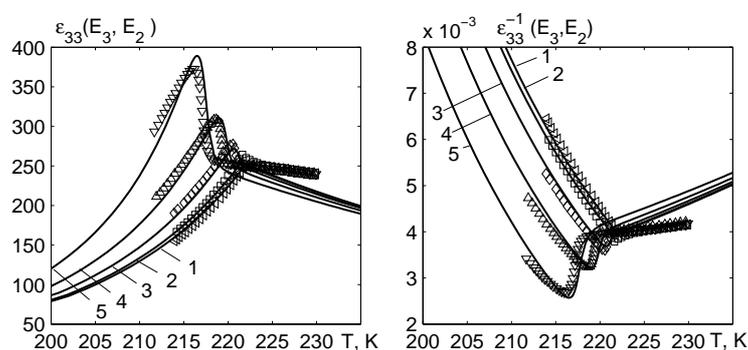


Figure 17. The temperature dependences of the static direct ϵ_{33} and inverse ϵ_{33}^{-1} permittivities of GPI crystal at different values of the field E_3 (MV/m): 0.0 — 1; 1.0 — 2; 2.0 — 3; 3.0 — 4; 4.0 — 5 and the field $E_2 = E_3/20$; symbols ∇ , Δ , \diamond , \square , \blacktriangleleft are the experimental data [10, 11].

connected with the character and peculiarities of internal fields in GPI crystal, the problem needs an additional study.

It also concerns the role of glycine groups in the phase transition in GPI in the presence of external fields. Their deformation and reorientation is significant at the transition to the ferroelectric phase and manifests itself, for example, in the experiment on Raman scattering [18] or at simulations of lattice dynamics [19]. At the same time, it was shown that the mechanism of the phase transition is connected with the proton ordering on hydrogen bonds.

It should be mentioned that the attempt to describe the behaviour of the inverse transverse dielectric permittivity at different electric fields within the phenomenological approach by means of Landau expansions was also done in [20, 21]. The authors explain the smeared minimum of the inverse permittivity below the transition temperature supposing that the phase transition is of the first order one, close to the tricritical point. They qualitatively describe the experimental data [11], but quantitatively only at low fields. Such a supposition was based on their experimental data for GPI [20], which noticeably differ from the obtained ones in the majority of other measurements. This can be connected with the unlike properties of the crystals grown at different conditions [21].

5. Conclusions

Based on the proposed model of a deformed crystal, the calculation of dielectric characteristics of the crystal GPI in the presence of electric fields E_1 and E_3 is carried out. The obtained temperature and field dependences show that the effect of field E_3 on these characteristics is much more important than the effect of field E_1 . At an increase of the field, the transition temperatures $T_c(E_1)$ and $T_c(E_3)$ decrease almost as square of the field strengths. The magnitude of the jumps of permittivities ϵ_{11} and ϵ_{33} increases at the phase transition temperature according to the same law. Electric fields E_1 and E_3 cause polarizations P_1 and P_3 ; their temperature dependences are analyzed in the work.

The shape of anomalies of piezoelectric moduli in the region of a phase transition in the presence of transverse fields is analyzed. The obtained theoretical dependences have a character of predictions and can urge the subsequent experimental investigations.

At the same time, it is necessary to note that the ability of GPI crystal to reorientate the local dipole moments and to change the orientation of the polarization vector by means of phase transition under reachable values of electric fields is unique. We do not know any analogues among the ferroelectric crystals with hydrogen bonds.

Due to specific properties of GPI, special attention during investigations is also paid to possible applications of the crystal in thin film structures [22]; the role of impurities that introduce internal fields causing the appearance of pyroelectricity is studied [21].

In our opinion, an important role is played by glycine ions that relatively easily change their orientations, exhibiting some inertia. Taking into account their relaxational dynamics, one could significantly supplement the comprehension of the mechanisms of external fields effect on dielectric properties of GPI.

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A. Parameters determining the local pseudospin susceptibilities with respect to electric fields and strains

The notations introduced in equations (3.4)–(3.6) are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta &= \begin{vmatrix} 2D - \kappa_{11} & -\kappa_{12} & -\kappa_{13} & -\kappa_{14} \\ -\kappa_{21} & 2D - \kappa_{22} & -\kappa_{23} & -\kappa_{24} \\ -\kappa_{31} & -\kappa_{32} & 2D - \kappa_{33} & -\kappa_{34} \\ -\kappa_{41} & -\kappa_{42} & -\kappa_{43} & 2D - \kappa_{44} \end{vmatrix}, \\
 \Delta_1^{\chi^\alpha} &= \begin{vmatrix} \kappa_1^{\chi^\alpha} & -\kappa_{12} & -\kappa_{13} & -\kappa_{14} \\ \kappa_2^{\chi^\alpha} & 2D - \kappa_{22} & -\kappa_{23} & -\kappa_{24} \\ \kappa_3^{\chi^\alpha} & -\kappa_{32} & 2D - \kappa_{33} & -\kappa_{34} \\ \kappa_4^{\chi^\alpha} & -\kappa_{42} & -\kappa_{43} & 2D - \kappa_{44} \end{vmatrix}, \quad \Delta_3^{\chi^\alpha} = \begin{vmatrix} 2D - \kappa_{11} & -\kappa_{12} & \kappa_1^{\chi^\alpha} & -\kappa_{14} \\ -\kappa_{21} & 2D - \kappa_{22} & \kappa_2^{\chi^\alpha} & -\kappa_{24} \\ -\kappa_{31} & -\kappa_{32} & \kappa_3^{\chi^\alpha} & -\kappa_{34} \\ -\kappa_{41} & -\kappa_{42} & \kappa_4^{\chi^\alpha} & 2D - \kappa_{44} \end{vmatrix}, \\
 \Delta_2^{\chi^\alpha} &= \begin{vmatrix} 2D - \kappa_{11} & \kappa_1^{\chi^\alpha} & -\kappa_{13} & -\kappa_{14} \\ -\kappa_{21} & \kappa_2^{\chi^\alpha} & -\kappa_{23} & -\kappa_{24} \\ -\kappa_{31} & \kappa_3^{\chi^\alpha} & 2D - \kappa_{33} & -\kappa_{34} \\ -\kappa_{41} & \kappa_4^{\chi^\alpha} & -\kappa_{43} & 2D - \kappa_{44} \end{vmatrix}, \quad \Delta_4^{\chi^\alpha} = \begin{vmatrix} 2D - \kappa_{11} & -\kappa_{12} & -\kappa_{13} & \kappa_1^{\chi^\alpha} \\ -\kappa_{21} & 2D - \kappa_{22} & -\kappa_{23} & \kappa_2^{\chi^\alpha} \\ -\kappa_{31} & -\kappa_{32} & 2D - \kappa_{33} & \kappa_3^{\chi^\alpha} \\ -\kappa_{41} & -\kappa_{42} & -\kappa_{43} & \kappa_4^{\chi^\alpha} \end{vmatrix},
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.1}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 \kappa_{f1} &= \kappa_{f;11}\varphi_1^+ + \kappa_{f;12}\beta v_2^+ + \kappa_{f;13}\varphi_1^- + \kappa_{f;14}\beta v_2^-, \quad (f = 1, 2, 3, 4); \\
 \kappa_{f3} &= \kappa_{f;11}\varphi_3^+ + \kappa_{f;12}\beta v_2^+ - \kappa_{f;13}\varphi_3^- - \kappa_{f;14}\beta v_2^-, \\
 \kappa_{f2} &= \kappa_{f;12}\varphi_2^+ + \kappa_{f;11}\beta v_2^+ + \kappa_{f;14}\varphi_2^- + \kappa_{f;13}\beta v_2^-, \\
 \kappa_{f4} &= \kappa_{f;12}\varphi_4^+ + \kappa_{f;11}\beta v_2^+ - \kappa_{f;14}\varphi_4^- - \kappa_{f;13}\beta v_2^-, \\
 \kappa_f^{\chi^x} &= \kappa_{f;13}\beta\mu_{13}^x + \kappa_{f;15}\beta\mu_{24}^x, \quad \kappa_f^{\chi^y} = \kappa_{f;11}\beta\mu_{13}^y + \kappa_{f;12}\beta\mu_{24}^y, \quad \kappa_f^{\chi^z} = \kappa_{f;13}\beta\mu_{13}^z + \kappa_{f;14}\beta\mu_{24}^z, \\
 \varphi_{1,3}^\pm &= \frac{1}{1 - \eta_{1,3}^2} + \beta v_1^\pm = \frac{1}{1 - \eta_{1,3}^2} + \frac{\beta}{4}(J_{11} \pm J_{13}), \\
 \varphi_{2,4}^\pm &= \frac{1}{1 - \eta_{2,4}^2} + \beta v_3^\pm = \frac{1}{1 - \eta_{2,4}^2} + \frac{\beta}{4}(J_{22} \pm J_{24}), \quad \beta v_2^\pm = \frac{\beta}{4}(J_{12} \pm J_{14}), \\
 v_1^\pm &= v_1^{0\pm} + \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_{1i}^\pm \varepsilon_i \pm \sum_{j=4}^6 \psi_{1j}^\pm \varepsilon_j \right), \quad v_1^{0\pm} = \frac{1}{4}(J_{11}^0 \pm J_{13}^0); \quad \psi_{1i}^\pm = \frac{1}{4}(\psi_{11i} \pm \psi_{13i}), \\
 v_2^\pm &= v_2^{0\pm} + \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_{2i}^\pm \varepsilon_i \pm \sum_{j=4}^6 \psi_{2j}^\pm \varepsilon_j \right), \quad v_2^{0\pm} = \frac{1}{4}(J_{12}^0 \pm J_{14}^0); \quad \psi_{2i}^\pm = \frac{1}{4}(\psi_{12i} \pm \psi_{14i}), \\
 v_3^\pm &= v_3^{0\pm} + \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_{3i}^\pm \varepsilon_i \pm \sum_{j=4}^6 \psi_{3j}^\pm \varepsilon_j \right), \quad v_3^{0\pm} = \frac{1}{4}(J_{22}^0 \pm J_{24}^0); \quad \psi_{3i}^\pm = \frac{1}{4}(\psi_{22i} \pm \psi_{24i}), \\
 \kappa_{1,3;11} &= (l_{1+3}^c + l_{5+6}^c) - \eta_{1,3}(l_{1+3}^s + l_{5+6}^s), \quad \kappa_{1,3;12} = (l_{1-3}^c \mp l_{7-8}^c) - \eta_{1,3}(l_{1-3}^s + l_{7+8}^s), \\
 \kappa_{1,3;13} &= \pm(l_{2+4}^c + l_{7+8}^c) - \eta_{1,3}(l_{2+4}^s - l_{7-8}^s), \quad \kappa_{1,3;14} = (\pm l_{2-4}^c - l_{5-6}^c) - \eta_{1,3}(l_{2-4}^s - l_{5-6}^s), \\
 \kappa_{2,4;11} &= (l_{1-3}^c \mp l_{5-6}^c) - \eta_{2,4}(l_{1+3}^s + l_{5+6}^s), \quad \kappa_{2,4;12} = (l_{1+3}^c + l_{7+8}^c) - \eta_{2,4}(l_{1-3}^s + l_{7+8}^s), \\
 \kappa_{2,4;13} &= (\pm l_{2-4}^c - l_{7-8}^c) - \eta_{2,4}(l_{2+4}^s - l_{7-8}^s), \quad \kappa_{2,4;14} = (\pm l_{2+4}^c \pm l_{5+6}^c) - \eta_{2,4}(l_{2-4}^s - l_{5-6}^s), \\
 \kappa_{1,3;15} &= (\mp l_{2-4}^c + l_{5-6}^c) - \eta_{1,3}(-l_{2-4}^s + l_{5-6}^s), \quad \kappa_{2,4;15} = \mp(l_{2+4}^c + l_{5+6}^c) + \eta_{2,4}(-l_{2-4}^s + l_{5-6}^s), \\
 l_{1\pm 3}^c &= \cosh n_1 \pm a^2 \cosh n_3; \quad l_{2\pm 4}^c = \cosh n_2 \pm a^2 \cosh n_4; \\
 l_{5\pm 6}^c &= a \cosh n_5 \pm a \cosh n_6; \quad l_{7\pm 8}^c = a \cosh n_7 \pm a \cosh n_8; \\
 l_{1\pm 3}^s &= \sinh n_1 \pm a^2 \sinh n_3; \quad l_{2\pm 4}^s = \sinh n_2 \pm a^2 \sinh n_4; \\
 l_{5\pm 6}^s &= a \sinh n_5 \pm a \sinh n_6; \quad l_{7\pm 8}^s = a \sinh n_7 \pm a \sinh n_8.
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.2}$$

The notations introduced in equations (3.7) are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_{1l}^e &= \begin{vmatrix} \kappa_{1l}^e & -\kappa_{12} & -\kappa_{13} & -\kappa_{14} \\ \kappa_{2l}^e & 2D - \kappa_{22} & -\kappa_{23} & -\kappa_{24} \\ \kappa_{3l}^e & -\kappa_{32} & 2D - \kappa_{33} & -\kappa_{34} \\ \kappa_{4l}^e & -\kappa_{42} & -\kappa_{43} & 2D - \kappa_{44} \end{vmatrix}, \quad \Delta_{3l}^e = \begin{vmatrix} 2D - \kappa_{11} & -\kappa_{12} & \kappa_{1l}^e & -\kappa_{14} \\ -\kappa_{21} & 2D - \kappa_{22} & \kappa_{2l}^e & -\kappa_{24} \\ -\kappa_{31} & -\kappa_{32} & \kappa_{3l}^e & -\kappa_{34} \\ -\kappa_{41} & -\kappa_{42} & \kappa_{4l}^e & 2D - \kappa_{44} \end{vmatrix}, \\
\Delta_{2l}^e &= \begin{vmatrix} 2D - \kappa_{11} & \kappa_{1l}^e & -\kappa_{13} & -\kappa_{14} \\ -\kappa_{21} & \kappa_{2l}^e & -\kappa_{23} & -\kappa_{24} \\ -\kappa_{31} & \kappa_{3l}^e & 2D - \kappa_{33} & -\kappa_{34} \\ -\kappa_{41} & \kappa_{4l}^e & -\kappa_{43} & 2D - \kappa_{44} \end{vmatrix}, \quad \Delta_{4l}^e = \begin{vmatrix} 2D - \kappa_{11} & -\kappa_{12} & -\kappa_{13} & \kappa_{1l}^e \\ -\kappa_{21} & 2D - \kappa_{22} & -\kappa_{23} & \kappa_{2l}^e \\ -\kappa_{31} & -\kappa_{32} & 2D - \kappa_{33} & \kappa_{3l}^e \\ -\kappa_{41} & -\kappa_{42} & -\kappa_{43} & \kappa_{4l}^e \end{vmatrix}, \\
\kappa_{fl}^e &= \beta(\psi_{1l}^+ \kappa_{f;11} + \psi_{2l}^+ \kappa_{f;12})(\eta_1 + \eta_3) + \beta(\psi_{2l}^+ \kappa_{f;11} + \psi_{3l}^+ \kappa_{f;12})(\eta_2 + \eta_4) \\
&\quad + \beta(\psi_{1l}^- \kappa_{f;13} + \psi_{2l}^- \kappa_{f;14})(\eta_1 - \eta_3) + \beta(\psi_{2l}^- \kappa_{f;13} + \psi_{3l}^- \kappa_{f;14})(\eta_2 - \eta_4) + 2\beta\delta_l(\rho_{f;1} + \rho_{f;2}), \\
\psi_{1l}^\pm &= \frac{1}{4}(\psi_{11l} \pm \psi_{13l}), \quad \psi_{2l}^\pm = \frac{1}{4}(\psi_{12l} \pm \psi_{14l}), \quad \psi_{3l}^\pm = \frac{1}{4}(\psi_{22l} \pm \psi_{24l}), \\
\rho_{1,3;1} &= -2(l_{3\pm 4}^s - \eta_{1,3} l_{3+4}^c), \quad \rho_{1,3;2} = -l_{5+6}^s \pm l_{7-8}^s + \eta_{1,3}(l_{5+6}^c + l_{7+8}^c), \\
\rho_{2,4;1} &= 2(l_{3\pm 4}^s + \eta_{2,4} l_{3+4}^c), \quad \rho_{2,4;2} = \pm l_{5-6}^s - l_{7+8}^s + \eta_{2,4}(l_{5+6}^c + l_{7+8}^c), \\
l_{3\pm 4}^s &= a^2 \sinh n_3 \pm a^2 \sinh n_4.
\end{aligned} \tag{A.3}$$

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Вплив електричних полів на діелектричні властивості сегнетоелектрика GPl

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Використовуючи модель GPl, модифіковану шляхом врахування п'єзоелектричного зв'язку з деформаціями ε_i в наближенні двочастинкового кластера, розраховано компоненти вектора поляризації та тензора статичної діелектричної проникності кристала при прикладанні зовнішніх поперечних електричних полів E_1 і E_3 . Проведено аналіз впливу цих полів на діелектричні характеристики GPl. При належному виборі параметрів теорії отримано задовільний кількісний опис наявних експериментальних даних для цих характеристик.

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