

Frequency Dependence of the Dielectric Constant

18.58 For this soda-lime glass, in order to compute the fraction of the dielectric constant at low frequencies that is attributed to ionic polarization, we must determine the ϵ_r within this low-frequency regime; such is tabulated in Table 18.5, and at 1 MHz its value is 6.9. Thus, this fraction is just

$$\begin{aligned}\text{fraction} &= \frac{\epsilon_r(\text{low}) - \epsilon_r(\text{high})}{\epsilon_r(\text{low})} \\ &= \frac{6.9 - 2.3}{6.9} = 0.67\end{aligned}$$