Assignment 22

Due: By Midnight Sunday, April 31

In Lab 7, you determined the mass and the volume of your crosslinked and uncrosslinked P(CO) polymers before swelling. (If you didn't determine the volume, you can calculate it using $\rho = 0.91.^{1}$) You also determined mass values after swelling. From the mass increase, and using the density of each solvent used, you should be able to calculate fractional volume increases $V_{\text{final}}/V_{\text{initial}}$ for each experiment you ran.

On WebCT, post the six $V_{\text{final}}/V_{\text{initial}}$ values you measured (or, if any of your samples dissolved rather than swelling, post this information). In addition, note the wt% crosslinker you used in your post.

There is no need to turn in this assignment; the web post will be graded directly.

¹ Data from Degussa, which sells poly(cyclooctene) (also called polyoctenamer, sold as Vestenamer). http://www.degussa-hpp.com/eng/products/rubber/index.shtml for details.