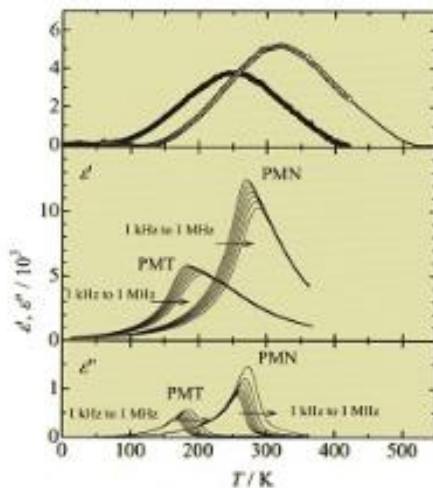


Elucidation of phase transitions and function of materials

The elucidation of the mechanism of phase transitions in various kinds of materials is required as the phase transition affects the functionality of the material. We are especially trying to understand the effect of crystal imperfection to the phase transition behavior. The effects of impurities to the magnetic phase transition and the magnetism in frustrated spin systems, the limited particle size effects to ferroelectric substance and molecular crystals, and the pinning effects in incommensurate phase transitions are studied. The possibility to control the phase transition behavior by nano-structure controlling is examined.

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Excess heat capacity and dielectric constant anomaly due to the formation of polar nano region in relaxors



High precision adiabatic calorimeter