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**Dielectric properties of the  $BaTiO_3 - Bi(Zn_{\frac{1}{2}}Ti_{\frac{1}{2}})O_3$  solid solution from density-functional theory** DENNIS JACKSON, DAVID ROUNDY, Oregon State University — Using density functional theory combined with the modern theory of polarization, we predict dielectric properties of  $BaTiO_3$  and  $Bi(Zn_{\frac{1}{2}}Ti_{\frac{1}{2}})O_3$  in solid solution. In particular, we study the effects of disorder on the system in the presence of a homogeneous finite electric field. We consider all unique configurations of the solid solution in a given supercell, computing the polarization resulting from a given applied field. This provides a statistical ensemble from which we predict the finite-temperature dielectric response. We will discuss the implications for uniform bulk solids and within polar nano-regions of a non-uniform solid.

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