

ABSTRACT

The polyvinyl alcohol according to the present invention to be used as a dispersant for suspension polymerization for polyvinyl chloride has a degree of saponification of 60 to 80 mol%, a block character of 0.4 to 0.6, an integral value defined by the following (a) of 0.04 to 0.1 and an integral value defined by the following (b) of 0.01 to 0.2 in a ^1H -NMR spectrum, and the polyvinyl alcohol in a 0.1% by mass aqueous solution thereof having a UV absorbance at a wavelength of 320 nm of 0.18 or more and less than 0.3.

(a) An integral value from 5.42 to 5.62 ppm of a peak or peaks observed at 5.50 to 5.54 ppm when an integral value from 3.65 to 4.05 ppm of a peak or peaks observed at 3.83 to 3.87 ppm is assumed to be 100.

(b) An integral value from 5.76 to 5.98 ppm of a peak or peaks observed at 5.86 to 5.90 ppm when an integral value from 3.65 to 4.05 ppm of a peak or peaks observed at 3.83 to 3.87 ppm is assumed to be 100.