



Chapter 2 Interaction of Electromagnetic Radiation (EMR) with Matter

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Outline



- ✓ Light Matter Interaction
- ✓ Broadening
- ✓ Radiation Laws
- ✓ Absorption & Emission
- ✓ Polarization
- ✓ Luminescence
- ✓ Scattering
- Transition Probabilities
- ✓ Selection Rules





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The Electromagnetic Spectrum



The transition wavelengths are a bit arbitrary...



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External EMR excites atoms, which then emit more light following



On resonance (the light frequency is the same as that of the atom)

The relative phase of the incident and re-emitted radiation is vital. For ~180° out of phase destructive interference occurs, where the radiation gets attenuated called absorption. For ~ \pm 90° out of phase: the speed of light changes called refraction.



Nature of Electromagnetic Radiation

Its Nature and Properties: Dual Nature

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- Wave properties: $c (m/s) = \lambda v$
- Particle Properties: m = 0, E = hv, p = E/c = $hv/c = h/\lambda$ Planck constant h $\approx 6.63 \times 10^{-34}$ J s
- Photons = Neutral
 - *cannot steadily lose E as they penetrate matter*
 - *can travel some distance d before interacting with any atom*
- Photon can be absorbed and it disappears,
- Photon can scatter, changing its direction with or without E-loss
- Photons are Bosons and obey B-E statistics
- Photon number is not conserved
- Chemical potential for photon is ZERO
- Photons are zero mass and spin one particle





"Light is, in short, the most refined form of matter."

Louis de Broglie



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Radiation Matter Interaction

Spectroscopy uses the absorption, emission, or scattering phenomena of EMR by matter to qualitatively or quantitatively determine the matter or physical processes. The matter can be atoms, molecules, atomic or molecular ions, or solids. The interaction of radiation with matter can cause redirection of the radiation and/or transitions between their quantized energy levels.







Three Main Light Matter Interaction

Three main processes of EMR interaction with matter

Absorption:

• Converts radiative energy into internal energy. **Emission**:

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- Converts internal energy into radiative energy.
- **Scattering:**
- Radiative energy is first absorbed and then radiated.

No interaction at all called **transmission**





Luminescence

• Luminescence is the inverse process of absorption

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- Consequence of radiative recombination of excited electrons
- Compete with nonradiative recombination processes
- PL (photoluminescence): non-equilibrium obtained by photons
- EL (electroluminescence): non-equilibrium obtained by
- electrons
- Important for Laser, LED, and other light emitting devices







Interaction of *Photons* with Matter

1. Photons are indirectly ionising radiation

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- 2. They interact with matter via 5 processes:
- Photoelectric Effect
- Elastic Scattering
- Compton Scattering
- Pair Production
- Photonuclear Reactions
- In addition, there are two processes with very small energy transfer:
 - Thomson (elastic) scattering on a 'free' electron, redirection of low energy photon without change in energy
 - Raleigh (coherent) scattering results from combined (coherent) action of an atom as a whole.



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Coherent & Incoherent Scattering

For nonrandom phases field amplitudes are added: Coherent

$$E_{total} = E_1 + E_2 + ... + E_n$$

$$I_{total} = I_1 + I_2 + \dots + I_N + c \varepsilon \operatorname{Re} \left\{ E_1 E_2^* + E_1 E_3^* + \dots + E_{N-1} E_N^* \right\}$$

 I_1 , I_2 , ... I_n are the irradiances of the various wavelets (positive and real numbers)

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 $E_i E_j^*$ are cross terms with phase factors $\exp[i(\theta_i - \theta_j)]$, wher θ 's are non random and don't cancel ach other

For random phases are random irradiances (intensity) are added: Incoherent

$$I_{total} = I_1 + I_2 + \dots + I_n$$







Scattering in Different Media

Elastic scattering

- No exchange of internal energy of the medium with the radiated field
- No change of frequency of incident wave upon scattering

Inelastic scattering

• Involves exchange of internal energy of the medium with that of the radiated field.





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Three Main Scattering Processes

- Light that is scattered at the same wavelength as the incoming light is called **Rayleigh** scattering Elastic scattering dominates.
- Light that is scattered in transparent solids due to vibrations **(phonons)** is called **Brillouin** scattering. Brillouin scattering is typically shifted by 0.1 to 1 cm⁻¹ from the incident light.
- Light that is scattered due to vibrations in molecules or optical phonons in solids is called **Raman** scattering. Raman scattered light is shifted by as much as 4000 cm⁻¹ from the incident light. 1 part in 10⁸ is inelastically scattered.





Rayleigh Scattering

- This occurs when driving frequency is less than the natural frequency of the oscillator (blue color of sky and use of RGY colors in signals).
- The cross section is given as:

$$\sigma_n^{ray} = \frac{1}{6\pi} \left(\frac{\omega}{c}\right)^4 \left(\frac{e^2}{m_e \varepsilon_o \omega_o^2}\right)^2$$



Spectral Features

Position of line /bands:

Determined by spacing of the energy levels

✓ Intensity of spectral lines:

Determined by transition probability (selection rules)

 $N_f / N_i = e^{-\Delta E_{kT}}$

 $\log(I_o/I) = \varepsilon cl = A$

- Population of states
- Path length of sample
- ✓ Width of spectral lines:
 - Collision broadening (molecular interactions)
 - Doppler broadening (gases) $\frac{\delta E \times \delta t}{\delta t} \approx \frac{h}{2\pi} \approx 10^{-34} Js \quad \delta v = \frac{\delta E}{h} \approx \frac{h}{2\pi h \delta t}$
 - Uncertainty principle
- ✓ Shape of lines / bands:

Uncertainty broadening

$$t = 0 \qquad t = \tau \quad \Delta E \ \Delta t \approx \hbar$$

$$\int \Delta E \qquad \int \Delta E \qquad \int \nabla \Phi = 0$$

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Spectral Line & Lineshapes

- Atoms and molecules prefer to be in their ground state.
- Excited species spontaneously emit radiation and relax back into their ground states.
- Emission spectrum: plot of the relative power (intensity) of the emitted radiation as a function of the wavelength or frequency of the radiation.
- Theoretically one must gets a line spectra

Three types of absorption/emission spectra:

- Sharp lines of finite widths
- Aggregations (series) of lines called bands
- Spectral continuum extending over a broad range of wavelengths











Sources of Line Broadening

Natural Broadening

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$$\Delta E \Delta t \approx \frac{h}{2\pi} \qquad \Delta t \approx \frac{h}{2\pi . h \Delta v} \approx \frac{1}{2\pi \Delta v}$$

Pressure Broadening

$$\alpha_L \approx \alpha_L(STP) \frac{n v_{rel}}{n_L v_{rel}(STP)} = \alpha_L(STP) \frac{n \sqrt{T}}{n_L \sqrt{T_0}}$$

Doppler Broadening

$$v = v + \frac{v \cos \theta}{\lambda} = v + \frac{v \cos \theta}{c} = v(1 + \frac{v \cos \theta}{c})$$





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The diffraction peak we see is a result of various broadening 'mechanisms'





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- Energy selectivity is its outstanding characteristic.
- Energy attenuation due to absorption is dominant in near IR and thermal IR spectral ranges.
- Absobed radiative enegy in IR regions causes excitation of lattice vibrations, molecular vibrational states, and intermolecular vibrations.
- Absorbed radiative energy in UV and shorter wavelength leads to photodissociation and photoionisation.







Absorption in solids

- Conductors have a small gap between the energy bands and are higly absorbing and reflecting in visible and IR.
- Insulators have a bigger energy gap between the bands, so they are absorbing in UV
- Insulators are more or less transparent in visible and IR.
- Selective absorption is responsible nearly for all color of objects in the environment





Emission

Emission: A transition from a excited level to a lower (ground) level with transfer of energy from the emitter to the radiation field. If no radiation is emitted during transition it is called **nonradiative** decay.

- Atoms, molecules, or solids that are excited to high energy levels decay to lower levels by emitting radiation (emission or luminescence).
- Atoms excited using high-temperature energy source this light emission is commonly called atomic or optical emission.
- Atoms excited via light it is called atomic fluorescence. For molecules it is called **fluorescence** if the transition is between states of the same spin and **phosphorescence** if the transition occurs between states of different spin.
- The **emission intensity** of an emitting substance is linearly proportional to analytic concentration at low concentrations



Selection Rules

Decided by Symmetry, Spin, Parity and other Quantum numbers E_1



Oscillator strength: f = f(symmetry) x f(spin) x f(FC)

How to Separate out Electronic Co-ordinates from Nuclear Coordinates? *Born-Openheimer approximation*





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"principal"

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For example, if $n=2, \ell=1$,

the state is designated 2p

Selection Rules



 $s \ell = 0$

 $p = \ell = 1$

$\vec{L_1} + \vec{L_2} = \vec{L}$	These ide must proc wavefund
$\overrightarrow{z} + \overrightarrow{z} = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ $\overrightarrow{S_1} + \overrightarrow{S_2} = \overrightarrow{S}$	Ψ=
$\vec{1/2} + \vec{1/2} = 0,1$	Since S= symmetric couple with
J = L + S = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4	orbital sta

entical electrons duce an antisymmetric tion.

$$\Psi = \Psi_{spin} \Psi_{orbital}$$

1 represents a c spin state, it must th antisymmetric ates L=1 and L=3

Hund's Rules



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What Causes Emission?







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Absorption







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A key for us here is, we use instruments to **Disperse** energy across a scale appropriate to a chemical property



Knowledge



Wisdom (or Progress)



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Typical Spectrometer





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Conclusion

- The colour spectrum of an object is a complex result of its surface properties, its transmission properties, and its emission properties, all of which contribute to the mixing of wavelengths in the light leaving the surface of the object after interacting with the material.
- The perceived colour is further conditioned by the nature of the ambient illumination, and by the colour properties of other objects nearby, and via other characteristics of the perceiving eye and brain.
- Colour is the visual effect that is caused by the spectral composition of the light emitted, transmitted, or reflected by objects. It depends on the nature of light, materials and the viewing angle.

Processes that affects the propagation of electromagnetic radiation are:

Absorption Emission Reflection Scattering Transmission Refraction Diffraction Dispersion











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