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Optical Spectroscopy in Materials Science

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Optical spectroscopy: study of light-matter interaction as a function of the frequency of the radiation



1 THz	1	33.333	4.13	47.96
1 cm ⁻¹	0.03	1	0.124	1.439
1 meV	0.24	8.0655	1	11.6
1 K	0.02086	0.695	0.0862	1

Optical spectroscopy: study of light-matter interaction as a function of the frequency of the radiation

Microscopic model of materials

- Classical equation of motion of charges (magnetic moments): free electron gas, vibrations of molecules
- Quantum mechanics: excitation of electrons in atoms

Linear response theory

Optical response functions

• Refractive index, absorption coefficient, polarizability

Maxwell's equations

Directly measured quantities

• Reflected, transmitted, scattered intensity

Experimental setups, methods



Electromagnetic wave propagation in vacuum

Maxwell's equations in vacuum:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_0} \rho$$
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\partial_t \mathbf{B}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}$$
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 (\mathbf{j} + \varepsilon_0 \partial_t \mathbf{E})$$

Wave equations with sources:

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \boldsymbol{E}) = -\partial_t (\nabla \times \boldsymbol{B})$$

$$\nabla (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{E}) - \nabla^2 \boldsymbol{E} = -\mu_0 \partial_t \boldsymbol{j} - \frac{1}{c^2} \partial_t^2 \boldsymbol{E} \qquad \nabla \times (\nabla \times \boldsymbol{B}) = \mu_0 \nabla \times \boldsymbol{j} + \frac{1}{c^2} \partial_t (\nabla \times \boldsymbol{E})$$

$$\nabla^2 \boldsymbol{E} - \frac{1}{c^2} \partial_t^2 \boldsymbol{E} = \nabla \frac{\rho}{\varepsilon_0} + \mu_0 \partial_t \boldsymbol{j} \qquad \nabla^2 \boldsymbol{B} - \frac{1}{c^2} \partial_t^2 \boldsymbol{B} = -\mu_0 \nabla \times \boldsymbol{j}$$

Speed of the wave/light:

$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_0 \mu_0}}$$

Electromagnetic wave propagation in vacuum

Plane wave solution in free space:

$$\boldsymbol{E}(\boldsymbol{r},t) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^3 \boldsymbol{q} d\omega \boldsymbol{E}(\boldsymbol{q},\omega) e^{-i(\omega t - \boldsymbol{q}\boldsymbol{r})}$$
$$\boldsymbol{B}(\boldsymbol{r},t) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^3 \boldsymbol{q} d\omega \boldsymbol{B}(\boldsymbol{q},\omega) e^{-i(\omega t - \boldsymbol{q}\boldsymbol{r})}$$

$$q^{2}E(\boldsymbol{q},\omega)-\frac{\omega^{2}}{c^{2}}E(\boldsymbol{q},\omega)=0$$



Isotropic dispersion relation:

 $\omega = cq$

E, **B** and **q** are orthogonal to each other:

 $q \cdot E = 0$ $q \cdot B = 0$ $q \times E = \omega B$ $q \times B = -\frac{1}{c^2} \omega E$ Characteristic ratio of **E** and **H** fields:

$$Z_0 = \frac{E}{H} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\varepsilon_0}} \approx 377\Omega$$

Z₀ vacuum impedance

Energy flux and intensity

From Maxwell's II and IV equations:

$$\mathbf{B} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{E}) = -\frac{1}{2} \partial_t \mathbf{B}^2$$
$$\mathbf{E} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) = \mu_0 \left(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{j} + \varepsilon_0 \frac{1}{2} \partial_t \mathbf{E}^2 \right)$$

Energy balance:

$$\partial_t \left(\frac{\varepsilon_0 E^2}{2} + \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} \right) = -\nabla \cdot \left(E \times \frac{B}{\mu_0} \right) - E \cdot j$$

Energy density Poynting vector Dissipation by free charges $u = \frac{\mathcal{E}_0 E^2}{2} + \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} \qquad S = E \times \frac{B}{\mu_0} = E \times H$

Time averaged Poynting vector of a plane wave:

$$\langle S \rangle = \langle E \times H \rangle = \langle \Re e \left(E e^{-i\omega t} \right) \times \Re e \left(H e^{-i\omega t} \right) \rangle = \left\langle \frac{E e^{-i\omega t} + E^* e^{i\omega t}}{2} \right\rangle \times \left\langle \frac{H e^{-i\omega t} + H^* e^{i\omega t}}{2} \right\rangle \\ \langle S \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \Re e \left(E \times H^* \right) \qquad [S] = \frac{W}{m^2}$$

Magnitude of typical E and B fields in light

5 mW LASER pointer:

collimated beam
with 1 mm² diameter
$$E_{\omega} \sim \sqrt{Z_0 \frac{P}{A}} \sim \sqrt{Z_0 \frac{5mW}{1mm^2}} \sim 1\frac{kV}{m} \qquad B_{\omega} = \frac{E_{\omega}}{c} \sim 10\,\mu T$$
focused to a 1 μ m² spot
$$E_{\omega} \sim \sqrt{Z_0 \frac{P}{A}} \sim \sqrt{Z_0 \frac{5mW}{1\mu m^2}} \sim 1\frac{MV}{m} \qquad B_{\omega} = \frac{E_{\omega}}{c} \sim 10mT$$

Linear optics is applicable below E<1MV/m

Compare these values to static fields:

- dielectric strength of air: 3 MV/m (lightning)
- Earth's magnetic field: 25 .. 65 μT



Magnitude of typical E and B fields in light

Thermal sources:

$$B_{\nu}d\nu = h\nu \frac{1}{e^{\beta h\nu} - 1} 2\frac{\nu^2}{c^2} d\nu$$

photon energy population photon DOS

Total emitted power per unit area

$$\int \int B_{\nu} d\nu d\Omega = \sigma T^4 \quad \sigma = 5.67 \ 10^{-8} \ \text{W/m^2/K^4}$$

Wien's law: $v_{\text{max}} \propto T$ high frequencies \Rightarrow high T source Wavelength / nm Raighly-Jeans (small v limit): $B_{\nu} d\nu \approx kT2 \frac{\nu^2}{c^2} d\nu$ small frequencies \Rightarrow high T source

Example: a halogen lamp with T~3000 K and area of ~1 mm² emits P~5 W light over π solid angle

At around 600 nm in a ~1 nm broad spectra window the emitted power is ~2 mW for this lamp



Maxwell's equations in materials

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Electric dipole density: $P = \frac{a}{\delta V}$

$$=\frac{d}{\delta V}$$

Magentic dipole density:
$$M = \frac{m}{\delta V}$$

Free and bound charges: $\rho = \rho_f + \rho_b = \rho_f - \nabla P$

Free and bound currents: $j = j_f + j_b = j_f + \partial_t P + \nabla \times M$

Electric displacement: $D = \varepsilon_0 E + P$ Magnetic induction: $B = \mu_0 (H + M)$

$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho_f$	$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$
$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\partial_t \mathbf{B}$	$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{j}_{\mathbf{f}} + \partial_t \mathbf{D}$

Electromagnetic wave propagation in linear materials

Linear response for **P(E)** and **M(H)**:

$$P_{\alpha} = \chi^{ee}_{\alpha\beta} E_{\beta}$$
$$M_{\alpha} = \chi^{mm}_{\alpha\beta} H_{\beta}$$

Further response functions:

$$D_{\alpha} = \varepsilon_{0} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta} E_{\beta} = \varepsilon_{0} \left(1 + \chi_{\alpha\beta}^{ee} \right) E_{\beta}$$
$$j_{\alpha} = \sigma_{\alpha\beta} E_{\beta}$$
$$B_{\alpha} = \mu_{0} \mu_{\alpha\beta} H_{\beta} = \mu_{0} \left(1 + \chi_{\alpha\beta}^{mm} \right) H_{\beta}$$

 $iq \cdot (\varepsilon_0 \varepsilon E) = \rho_f = \frac{1}{\omega} q \cdot (\sigma E)$

 $iq \cdot \left(\varepsilon E + i\frac{\sigma E}{\varepsilon_0 \omega}\right) = 0$



Charge conservation:

$$\partial_t \rho_f = -\nabla \cdot j_f$$
$$\omega \rho_f = q \cdot j_f = q_\alpha \sigma_{\alpha\beta} E_\beta$$

$$q \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{j}_{f} + \partial_{t} \mathbf{D} = -i\sigma E - \omega \varepsilon_{0} \varepsilon E$$
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$$iq \cdot \left(\varepsilon \mathbf{E} + i \frac{\sigma \mathbf{E}}{\varepsilon_0 \omega} \right) = 0 \qquad \qquad q \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$q \times \mathbf{E} = \omega \mathbf{B} \qquad \qquad q \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{j}_{\mathrm{f}} + \partial_t \mathbf{D} = -\varepsilon_0 \omega \left(\varepsilon \mathbf{E} + i \frac{\sigma \mathbf{E}}{\varepsilon_0 \omega} \right)$$

At finite frequencies charge susceptibility and conductivity appears similarly:

$$\chi^{ee}_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{i\sigma_{\alpha\beta}}{\varepsilon_0\omega}$$





Further response functions:

$$\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta} = 1 + \chi_{\alpha\beta}^{ee} = 1 + \frac{i\sigma_{\alpha\beta}}{\varepsilon_0\omega}$$
$$\varepsilon_0 = 8.85...10^{-8} s\Omega^{-1}m^{-1}$$

Isotropic, linear materials: $\mathcal{E}_{\alpha\beta} = \mathcal{E}\delta_{\alpha\beta}$

$$q \cdot \varepsilon_{0} \varepsilon E = 0$$

$$q \times E = \omega \mu_{0} \mu H$$

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$$q \times H = -\omega \varepsilon_{0} \varepsilon E$$

$$q \times (q \times E) = \omega \mu_{0} \mu (q \times H)$$

$$q \cdot (q \cdot E) - q^{2}E = -\frac{\omega^{2}}{c^{2}} \varepsilon \mu E$$

To satisfy Maxwell I, either ε =0 (comes latter), or q·E=0 (transverse solution) $q^{2}E = \frac{\omega^{2}}{c^{2}} \varepsilon \mu E$

Isotropic dispersion relation with renormalized speed of light:

$$\omega = \frac{c}{N}q$$

refractive index
$$N = \sqrt{\mathcal{E}\mu} = n + i\kappa$$

Ratio of **E** and **H** fields:

$$\frac{E}{H} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\varepsilon_0}} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\varepsilon}} = Z_0 Z$$

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Propagation along the z direction

$$E = E_0 e^{-i(\omega t - qz)} = E_0 e^{i\frac{N\omega}{c}z} e^{-i\omega t} = E_0 e^{i\frac{n\omega}{c}z} e^{-\frac{K\omega}{c}z} e^{-i\omega t}$$

phase shift attenuation

Intensity

$$I(z) = \langle S \rangle = \langle \Re e(E) \times \Re e(H) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{|E_0|^2}{Z_0 Z^*} e^{-\frac{2\kappa\omega}{c}z} = I(0) e^{-\frac{2\kappa\omega}{c}z}$$

Comparing with the Beer-Lambert law

$$\alpha = \frac{2\omega\kappa}{c}$$

Isotropic, linear materials: $\mathcal{E}_{\alpha\beta} = \mathcal{E}\delta_{\alpha\beta}$

q

q

q

q

(Near) normal incidence reflection from semi-infinite sample:

match fields at the boundary $\begin{aligned} E_i + E_r &= E_t \\ H_i - H_r &= H_t \longrightarrow \frac{E_i}{Z_0} - \frac{E_r}{Z_0} = \frac{E_t}{Z_0 Z} \end{aligned}$ $r = \frac{E_r}{E_i} = \frac{Z - 1}{Z + 1} \approx \frac{1 - N}{1 + N}$ $R = \frac{I_r}{I_i} = \left|\frac{E_r}{E_i}\right|^2 = \left|\frac{Z - 1}{Z + 1}\right|^2$ $R \approx \left|\frac{1 - N}{1 + N}\right|^2 \qquad \text{(far from spin resonances)}$

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$$q \cdot (q \cdot E) - q^{2}E = -\frac{\omega^{2}}{c^{2}} \varepsilon \mu E$$

Both ϵ and μ are negative (for simplicity they are real)

 $S = E \times H$ Refractive index is negativ! $E = E_0 e^{-i(\omega t - qz)} = E_0 e^{i\frac{n\omega}{c}z} e^{-i\omega t} \qquad n = -\sqrt{\varepsilon\mu}$ Snell's law in (a) ordinary and (b) negativ index or left-handed materials:

Summary of response functions:

$$\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta} = 1 + \chi_{\alpha\beta}^{ee} = 1 + \frac{i\sigma_{\alpha\beta}}{\varepsilon_0\omega}$$

$$\mu_{\alpha\beta} = 1 + \chi_{\alpha\beta}^{mm} \approx 1 \qquad \text{(far from spin resonances)}$$

$$N = \sqrt{\varepsilon\mu} \approx \sqrt{\varepsilon}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{2\omega\kappa}{c} \qquad \text{(isotropic materials)}$$

General linear response function:

$$\langle A(r,t) \rangle = \int dr' dt' \chi(r,r',t,t') B(r',t')$$

Homogenous in material and time-independent:

$$\langle A(r,t) \rangle = \int dr' dt' \chi(r-r',t-t') B(r',t')$$

Fourier space

$$\langle A(q,\omega) \rangle = \chi(q,\omega)B(q,\omega)$$

Long-wavelength limit (a<< λ), q=0

$$\langle A(\omega) \rangle = \chi(\omega) B(\omega)$$

If $\chi(t)$ is real then $\chi(\omega) = \chi(-\omega)^*$ $\chi(t) = \chi(\omega)e^{-i\omega t} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} \chi(-\omega) = \chi' + i\chi'' \\ \chi'(\omega) = \chi'(-\omega) \\ \chi''(\omega) = \chi'(-\omega) \\ \chi''(\omega) = -\chi''(-\omega) \end{array}$

If a response is causal $\chi(\omega)'$ and $\chi(\omega)''$ are connected by the Kramers-Kroning relation

$$\chi(t) = p(t) + q(t)$$

$$p(t) = p(-t)$$

$$q(t) = -q(-t)$$

$$\chi(\omega) = \int \chi(t)e^{i\omega t}dt = \int p(t)e^{i\omega t}dt + \int q(t)e^{i\omega t}dt$$

$$\chi'(\omega)$$

Causality: $\chi(t)=0$ if t<0, thus p(t)=sgn(t)q(t)

$$F[p(t)] = F[\operatorname{sgn}(t)q(t)]$$
$$F[p(t)] = F[\operatorname{sgn}(t)] * F[q(t)]$$

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$$F[\operatorname{sgn}(t)] = \frac{2i}{\omega}$$

$$\chi'(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \wp \int \frac{\chi''(\omega')}{\omega' - \omega} d\omega'$$
$$\chi''(\omega) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \wp \int \frac{\chi'(\omega')}{\omega' - \omega} d\omega'$$

Kramers-Kronig transformation

Often only positive frequencies are known (absorption is measured)

$$\chi'(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \wp \int \frac{\omega' + \omega}{\omega' + \omega} \frac{\chi''(\omega')}{\omega' - \omega} d\omega' = \frac{1}{\pi} \wp \int \frac{\omega'}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} \chi''(\omega') d\omega' + \frac{1}{\pi} \wp \int \frac{\omega}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} \chi''(\omega') d\omega'$$

even in ω' odd in ω'
$$\chi'(\omega) = \frac{2}{\pi} \wp \int_0^\infty \frac{\omega' \chi''(\omega')}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} d\omega'$$
$$\chi''(\omega) = -\frac{2}{\pi} \wp \int_0^\infty \frac{\omega \chi'(\omega')}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} d\omega'$$

For numerical evaluation we should remove divergences by adding

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\omega \chi''(\omega)}{{\omega'}^2 - \omega^2} d\omega' = 0$$

$$\chi'(\omega) = \frac{2}{\pi} \wp \int_0^\infty \frac{\omega' \chi''(\omega') - \omega \chi''(\omega)}{(\omega' - \omega)(\omega' + \omega)} d\omega'$$
$$\chi''(\omega) = -\frac{2}{\pi} \wp \int_0^\infty \frac{\omega \chi'(\omega') - \omega \chi'(\omega)}{(\omega' - \omega)(\omega' + \omega)} d\omega'$$

Kramers-Kronig transformation

Titchmarsh theorem:

- The following statements are equivalent
- The real and imaginary part of $\chi(\omega)$ are related by Kramers-Kronig transformation
- $\chi(\omega)$ is causal ($\chi(t)=0$ if t<0)
- $\chi(\omega)$ is analytic in the complex upper half-plane

$$\chi'(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \wp \int \frac{\chi''(\omega')}{\omega' - \omega} d\omega'$$
$$\chi''(\omega) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \wp \int \frac{\chi'(\omega')}{\omega' - \omega} d\omega'$$





Kramers-Kronig transformation: applications

No strong static response without high-frequency losses:

$$\chi'(0) = \frac{2}{\pi} \wp \int_0^\infty \frac{\chi''(\omega')}{\omega'} d\omega'$$

Restore phase, ϕ in the measurement of normal incidence reflectivity:

