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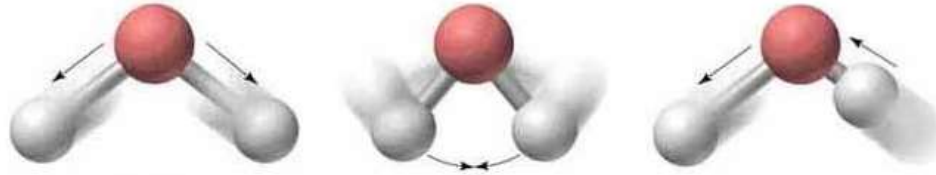
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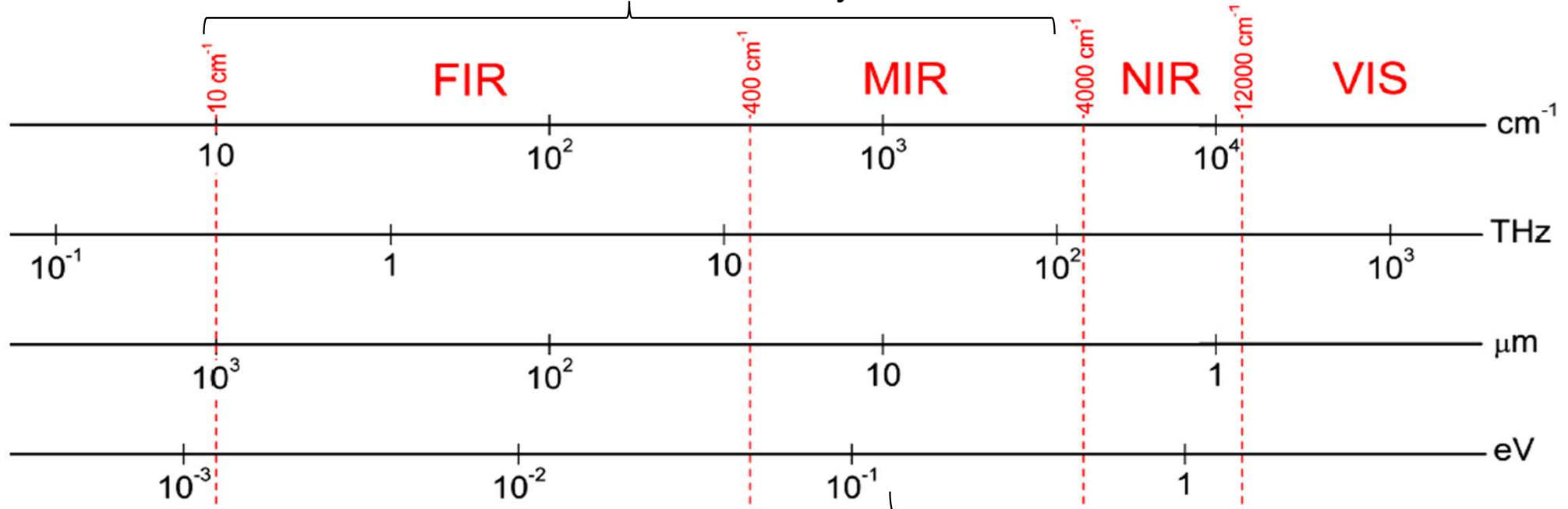
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Spectroscopy of electronic excitations

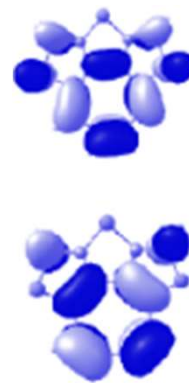
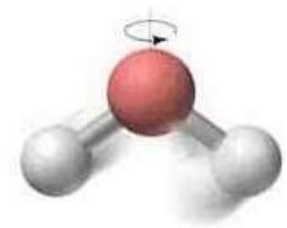


Vibrations of molecules, crystals



Excitations between atomic/molecular orbits, interband excitations

Molecular rotation



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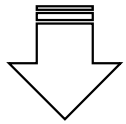
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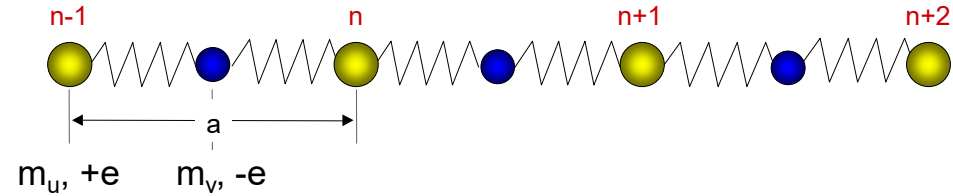
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$$m_u \frac{d^2 u_n}{dt^2} = D(v_n + v_{n-1} - 2u_n) - \gamma m_u \frac{du_n}{dt} + eE(t)$$

$$m_v \frac{d^2 v_n}{dt^2} = D(u_n + u_{n-1} - 2v_n) - \gamma m_v \frac{dv_n}{dt} - eE(t)$$



$$\lambda \gg a \Rightarrow q \ll \frac{\pi}{a} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} E(r,t) \approx E_\omega e^{i\omega t} \\ u_n(t) \approx u e^{-i\omega t} \\ v_n(t) \approx v e^{-i\omega t} \end{cases}$$



$$\mu = \frac{m_u m_v}{m_u + m_v} \quad \omega_{TO} = \sqrt{\frac{2D}{\mu}} \quad \Omega_{pl}^2 = \frac{ne^2}{\mu}$$

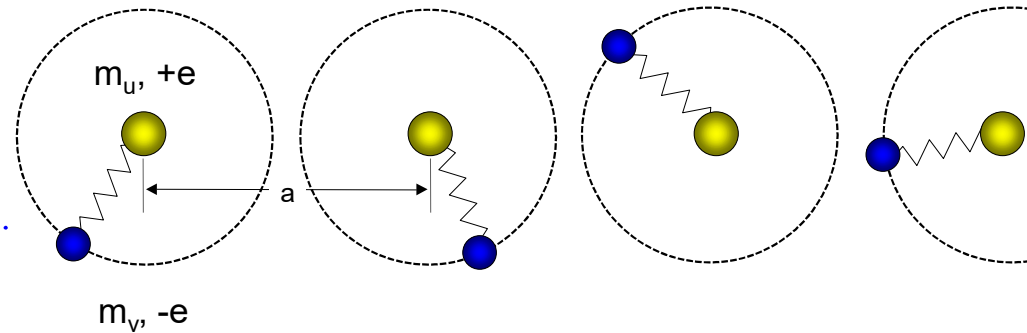
$$P_\omega = en(u_\omega - v_\omega) = \frac{ne^2}{\mu} \frac{1}{\omega_{TO}^2 - \omega^2 - i\gamma\omega} E_\omega$$

$$\epsilon(\omega) = 1 + \chi(\omega) = 1 + \frac{\Omega_{pl}^2}{\omega_{TO}^2 - \omega^2 - i\gamma\omega}$$

Bound charges in atoms

$$m_u \gg m_v \rightarrow \omega_0 = \sqrt{D \frac{m_u + m_v}{m_u m_v}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{D}{m_v}}$$

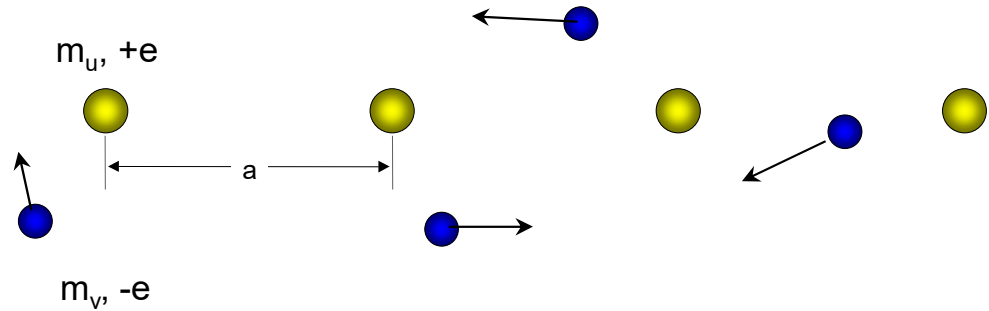
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Itinerant (metallic) electrons

$$m_u \gg m_v \text{ \& } D=0 \rightarrow \begin{cases} \omega_0 = 0 \\ \Omega_{pl}^2 = \frac{ne^2}{m_v} \end{cases}$$

$$\epsilon(\omega) = 1 - \frac{\Omega_{pl}^2}{\omega^2 + i\gamma\omega}$$



Spectroscopy of electronic excitations

Itinerant (metallic) electrons: Drude model

$$\varepsilon(\omega) = 1 - \frac{ne^2}{m_v} \frac{1}{\omega^2 + i\gamma\omega} = 1 - \frac{\Omega_{pl}^2}{\omega^2 + i\gamma\omega}$$

Wave equation:

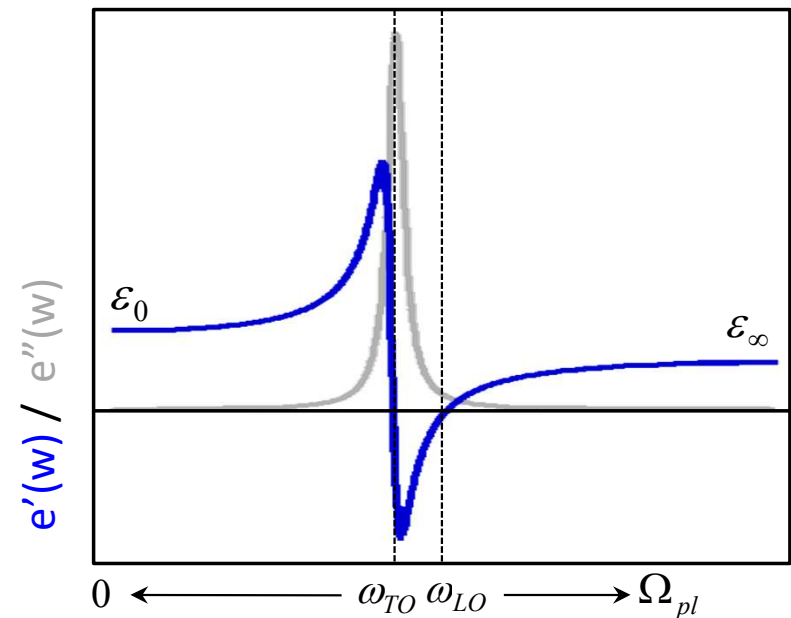
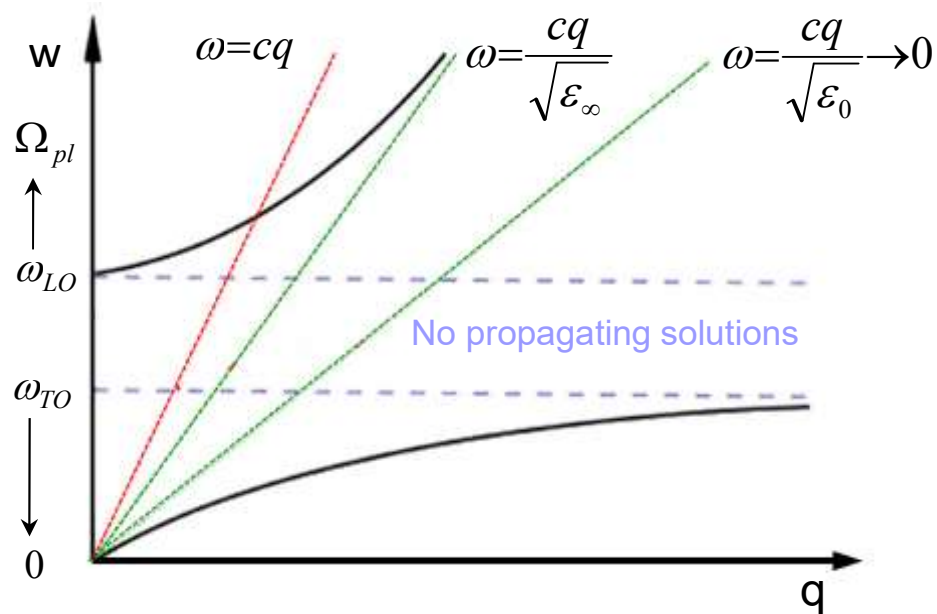
$$0 = \mathbf{q} \times (\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{q},\omega}) + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \varepsilon(\omega) \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{q},\omega} = \mathbf{q} \times (\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{q},\omega}) + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \left(1 - \frac{\Omega_{pl}^2}{\omega^2} \right) \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{q},\omega} \quad \Omega_{pl}^2 \gg \gamma$$

Longitudinal solution

$$0 = \mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{q},\omega} \Leftrightarrow \varepsilon(\omega) = 0 \Rightarrow \omega = \Omega_{pl}$$

Dispersion relation:

$$q^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \varepsilon(\omega) = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \left(1 - \frac{\Omega_{pl}^2}{\omega^2} \right) \Rightarrow \omega(q) = \sqrt{\frac{c^2 q^2 + \Omega_{pl}^2}{1}}$$



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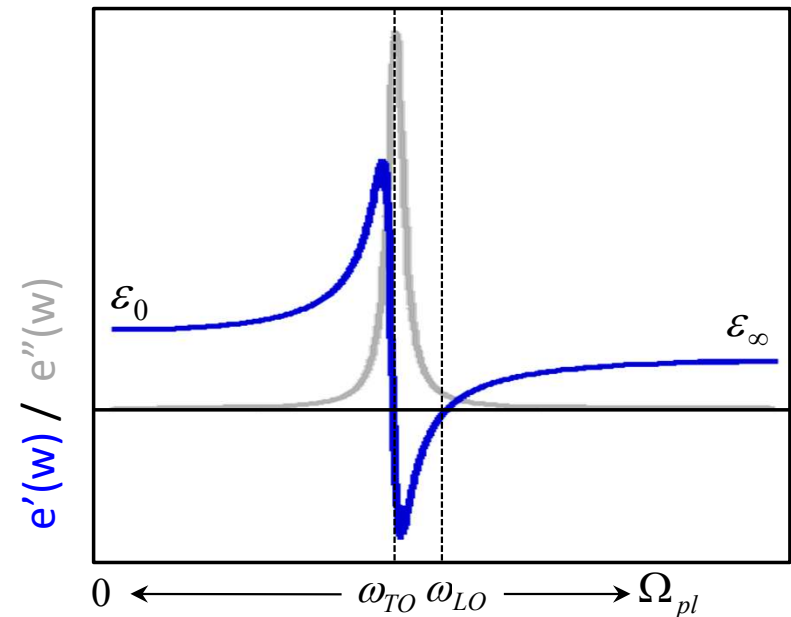
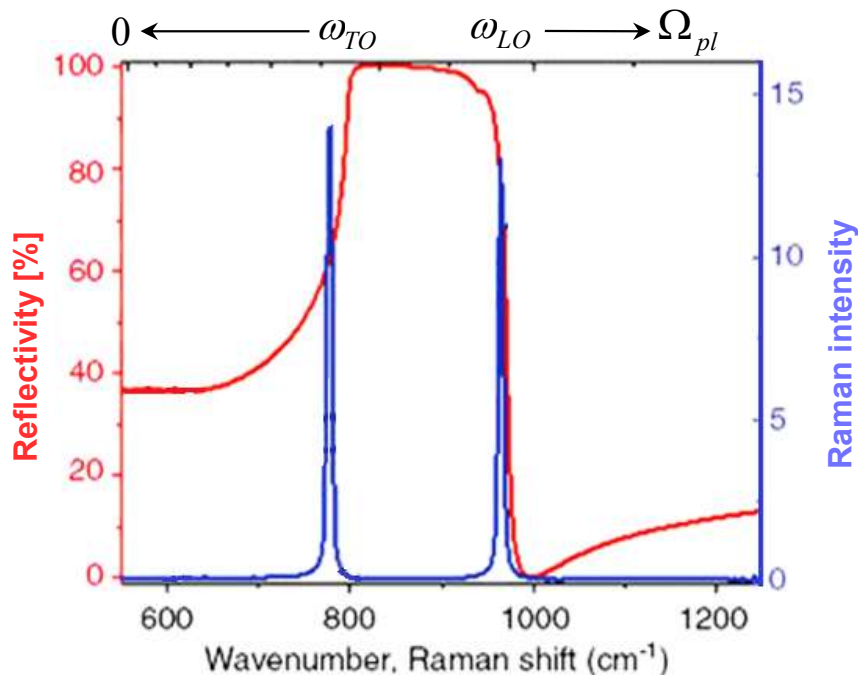
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$$\omega \ll \gamma, \omega_{pl}$$

$$\varepsilon(\omega) \approx i \left[\frac{\Omega_{pl}^2}{\gamma\omega} \right] \quad n \approx k$$

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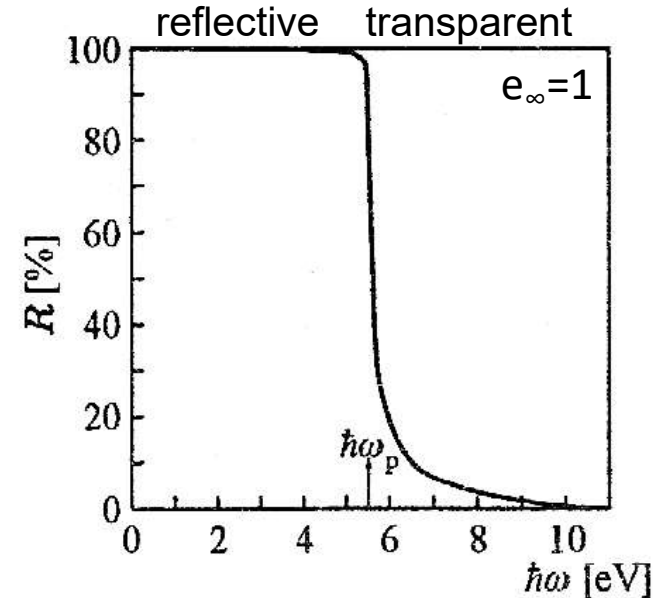
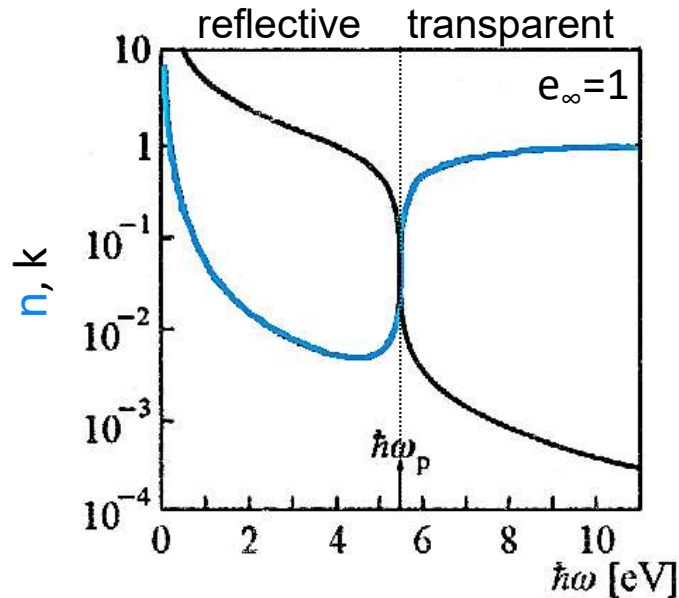
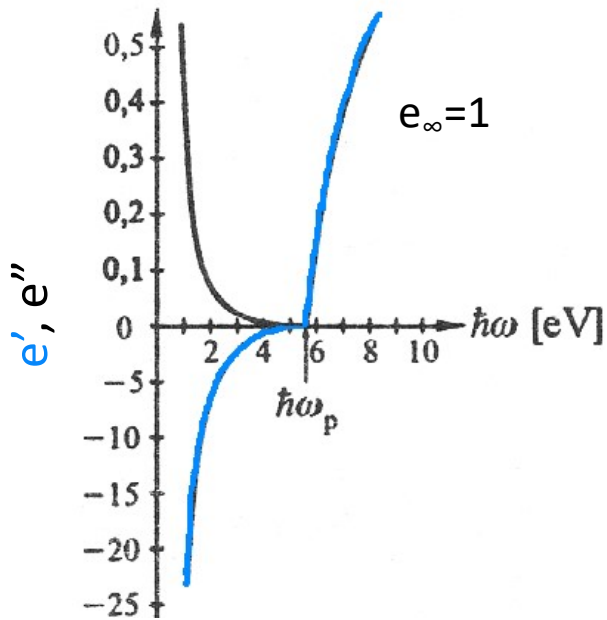
$$\varepsilon(\omega) \approx \left[\varepsilon_\infty - \frac{\Omega_{pl}^2}{\omega^2} \right] + i \left[\frac{\gamma\Omega_{pl}^2}{\omega^3} \right] \quad n \ll k$$

$$R(\omega) \approx 1 - \frac{4n}{k^2} \approx 1 - \frac{2\gamma}{\Omega_{pl}}$$

$$\gamma, \omega_{pl} \ll \omega$$

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$$R(\omega) \approx \left| \frac{1 - \sqrt{\varepsilon_\infty}}{1 + \sqrt{\varepsilon_\infty}} \right|^2, \quad T(\omega) \approx 1$$



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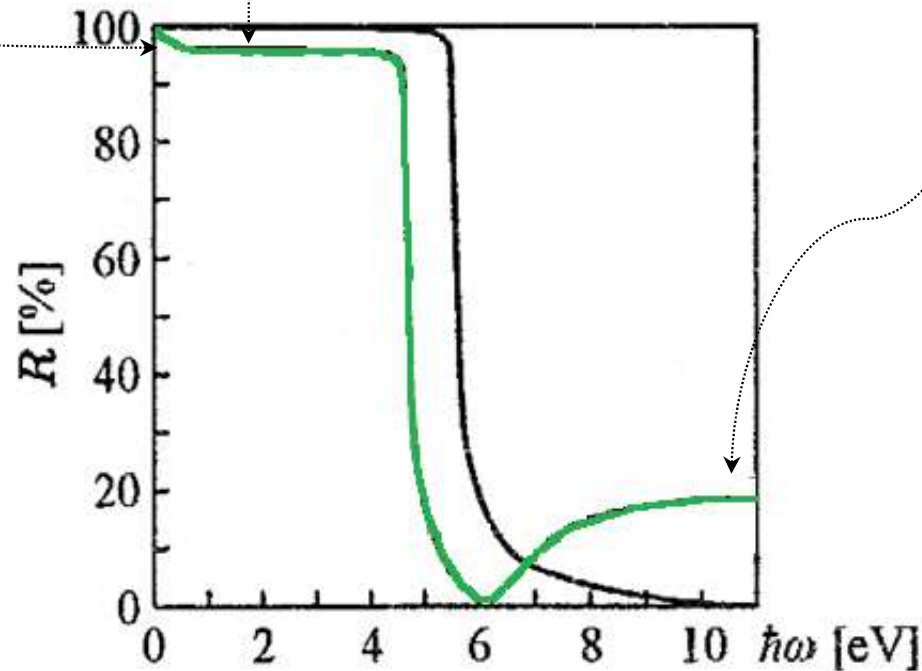
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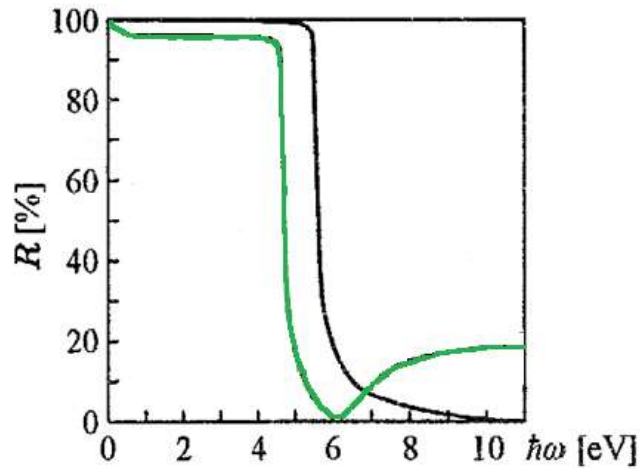
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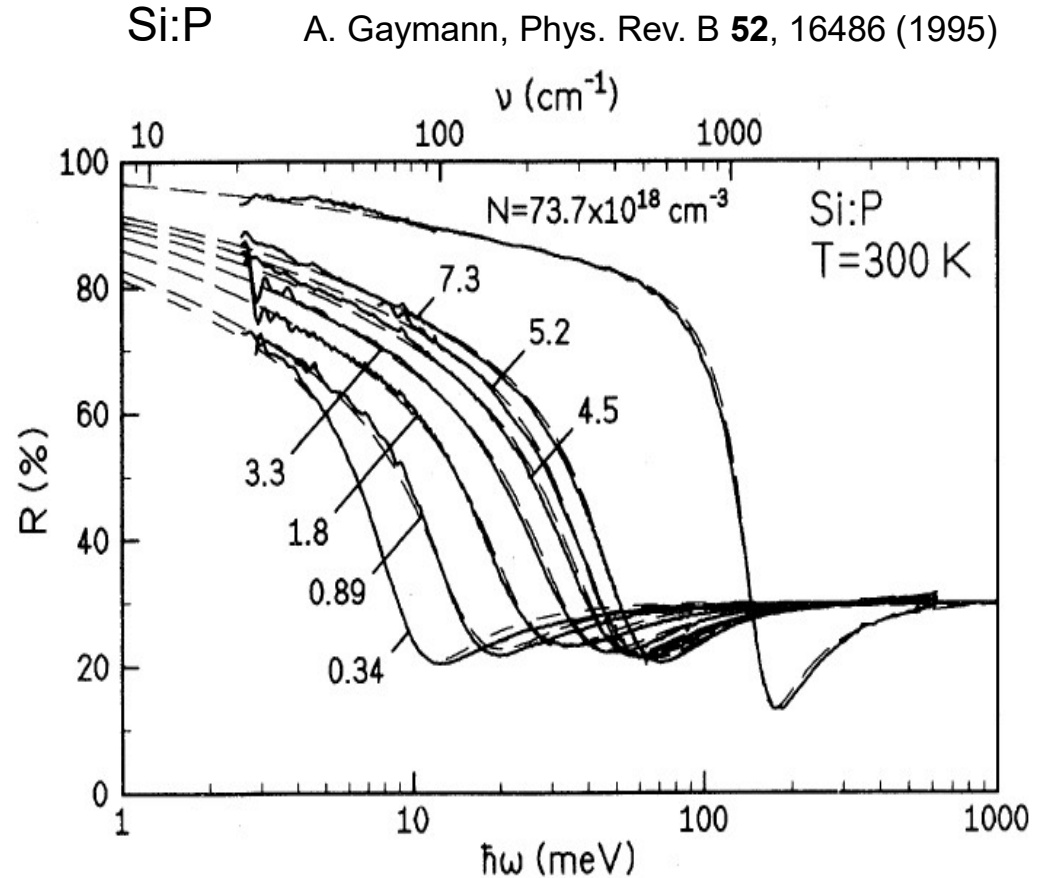
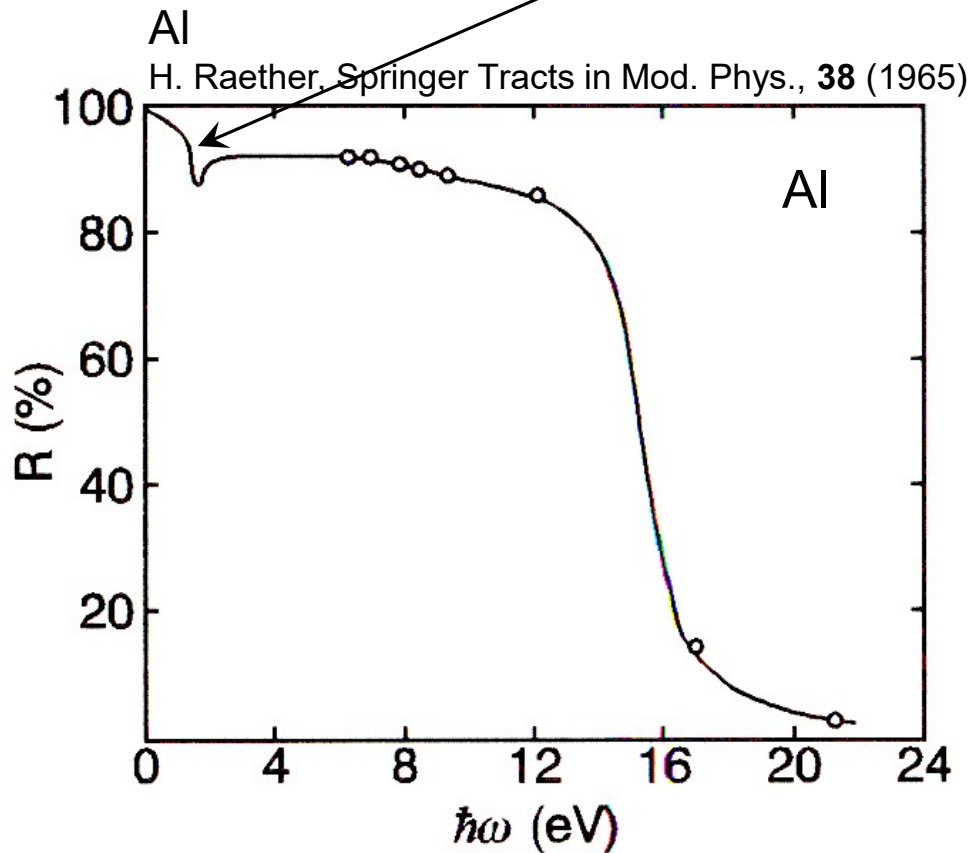
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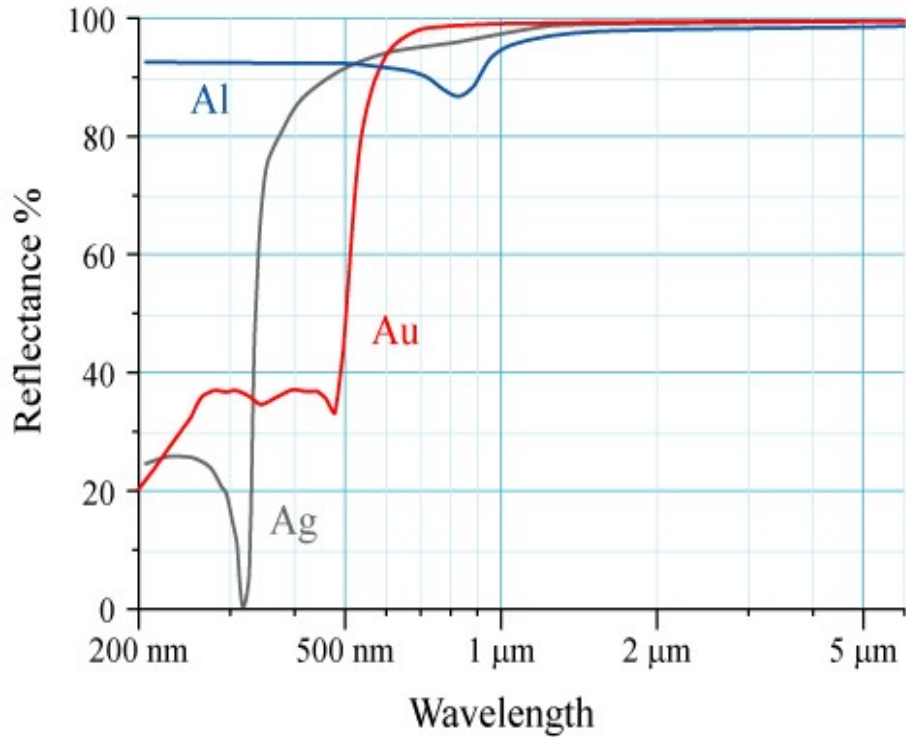


Plasmaedge touches the continuum of the interband excitations, the reflectivity does not drop

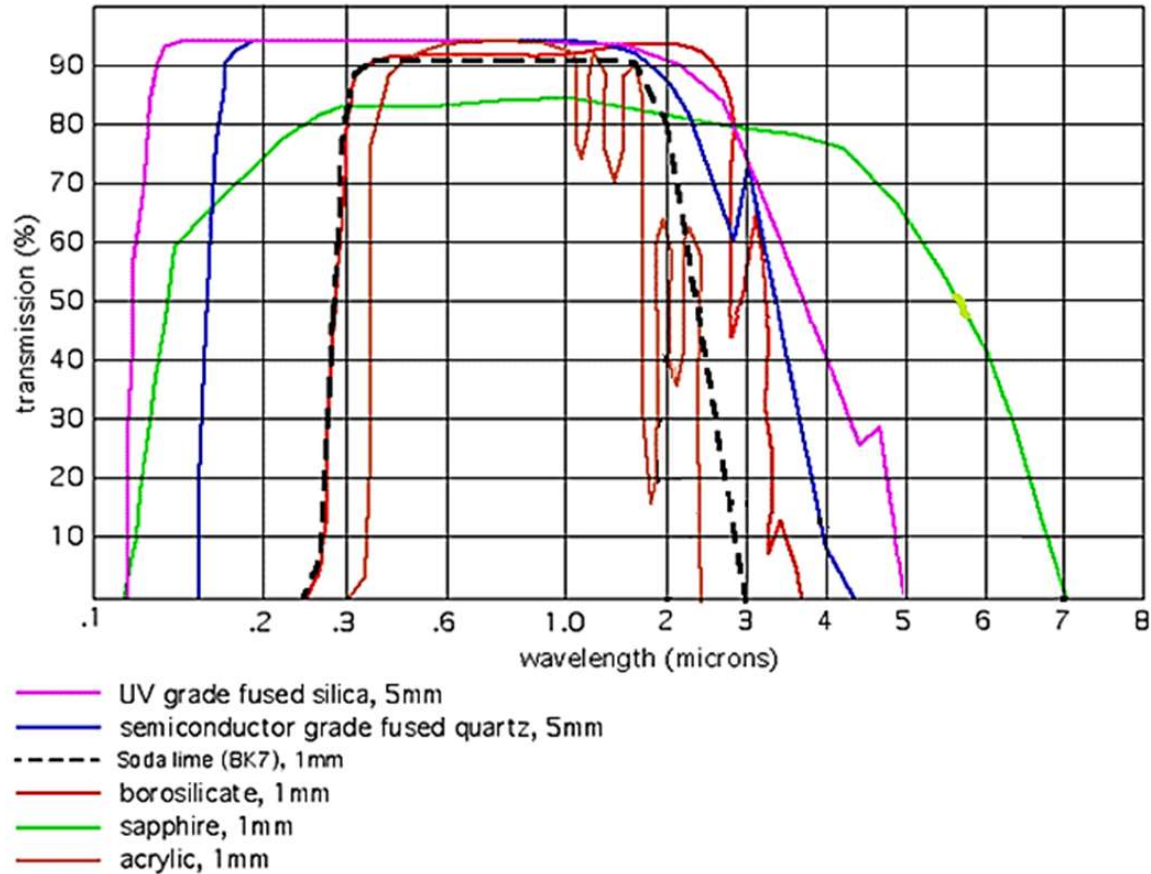


Spectroscopy of electronic excitations

Metals used on reference mirrors



Insulators, semiconductors often used in lenses, windows, cuvette



Spectroscopy of electronic excitations

An electron in electromagnetic fields: $H = \frac{(\mathbf{p} + e\mathbf{A})^2}{2m} - e\Phi + \frac{e}{m}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{S} + \zeta\mathbf{L}\mathbf{S}$

Hydrogen (like) atom: $H = \underbrace{\frac{p^2}{2m} - \frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}}_{H_0} + \zeta\mathbf{L}\mathbf{S}$
 H_{LS}

$$H_0 = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right] + \frac{\hbar^2 \mathbf{I}^2}{2mr^2} - \frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

$$[l_i, l_j] = i\epsilon_{ijk} l_k$$

$$[l_i, \mathbf{I}^2] = 0$$

$$[l_i, H_0] = [\mathbf{I}^2, H_0] = 0$$

$ nlm\rangle = R_{nl}(r)Y_l^m(\theta, \varphi)$	<u>s(1)</u>	<u>p(3)</u>	<u>d(5)</u>	...
$\mathbf{I}^2 Y_l^m = l(l+1)Y_l^m$	_____	_____	_____	
$l_z Y_l^m = m Y_l^m$	_____	_____		
$E_{nlm} = E_n = -R \frac{1}{n^2}$	_____			

Spectroscopy of electronic excitations

Electromagnetic radiation: $V = -\mathbf{E}\boldsymbol{\mu}$

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = e\mathbf{r}$$

Time dependent perturbation: $\langle f|V|i\rangle = \langle s_f | \langle n_f l_f m_f | -\mathbf{E}\boldsymbol{\mu} | n_i l_i m_i \rangle | s_i \rangle$

$$\langle f|V|i\rangle \propto \delta_{s_f s_i} \int Y_{l_f}^{m_f} Y_1^{0,\pm 1} Y_{l_i}^{m_i} d\Omega$$

Spherical harmonics [\[edit\]](#)

$l = 0$ [\[1\]](#) [\[edit\]](#)

$$Y_0^0(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}}$$

$l = 1$ [\[1\]](#) [\[edit\]](#)

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$l = 2$ [\[1\]](#) [\[edit\]](#)

$$Y_2^{-2}(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot e^{-2i\varphi} \cdot \sin^2\theta = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{(x - iy)^2}{r^2}$$

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$$Y_2^0(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{5}{\pi}} \cdot (3\cos^2\theta - 1) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{5}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{(2z^2 - x^2 - y^2)}{r^2}$$

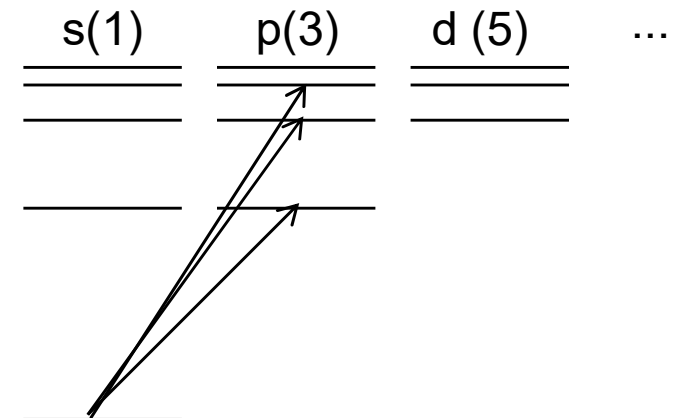
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Selection rules:

I. $m_f = m_i + 0, \pm 1$

II. $|l_f - l_i| = \pm 1$



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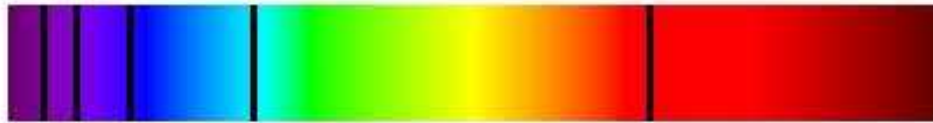
Balmer series (n=2): $\Delta E = R \left(\frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{m^2} \right)$

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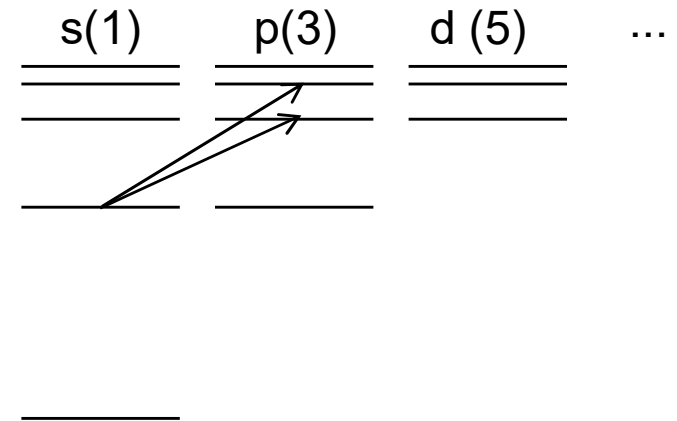
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Hydrogen Absorption Spectrum

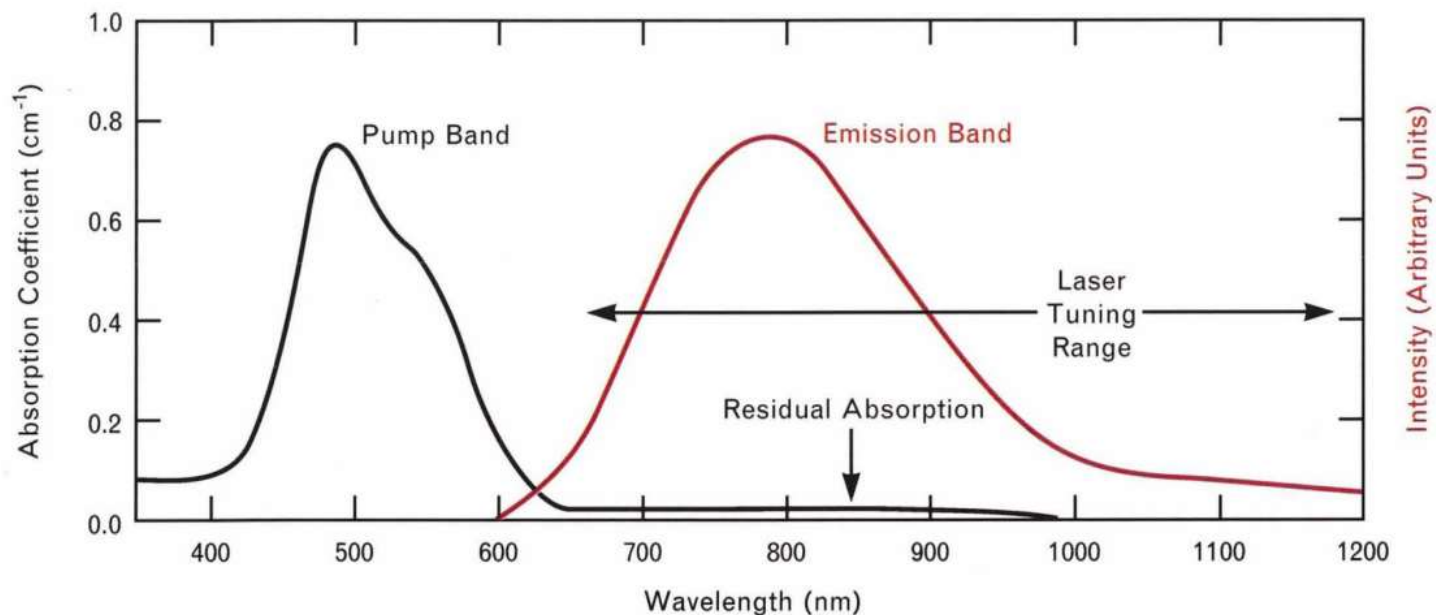
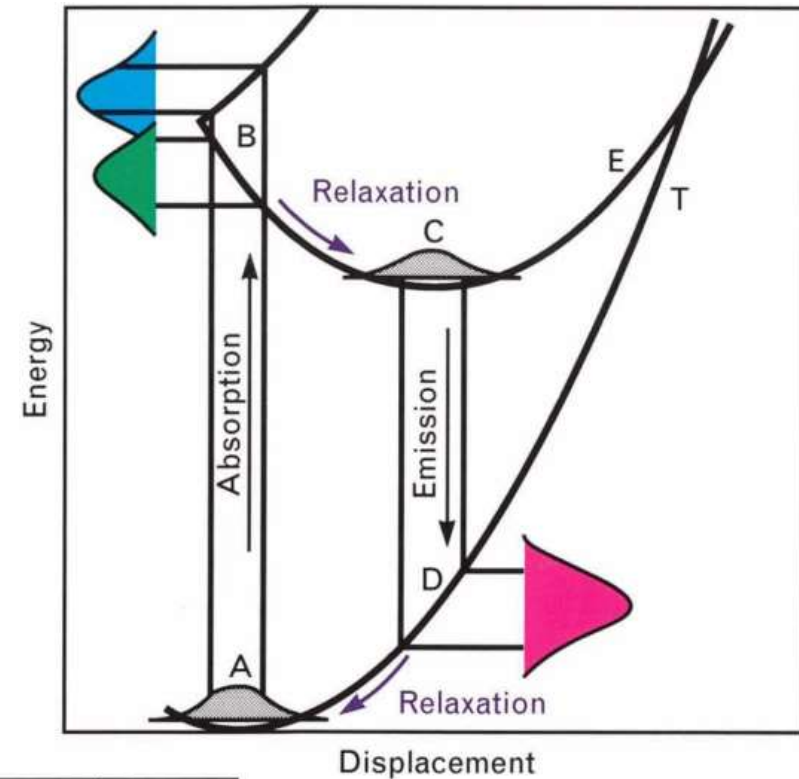
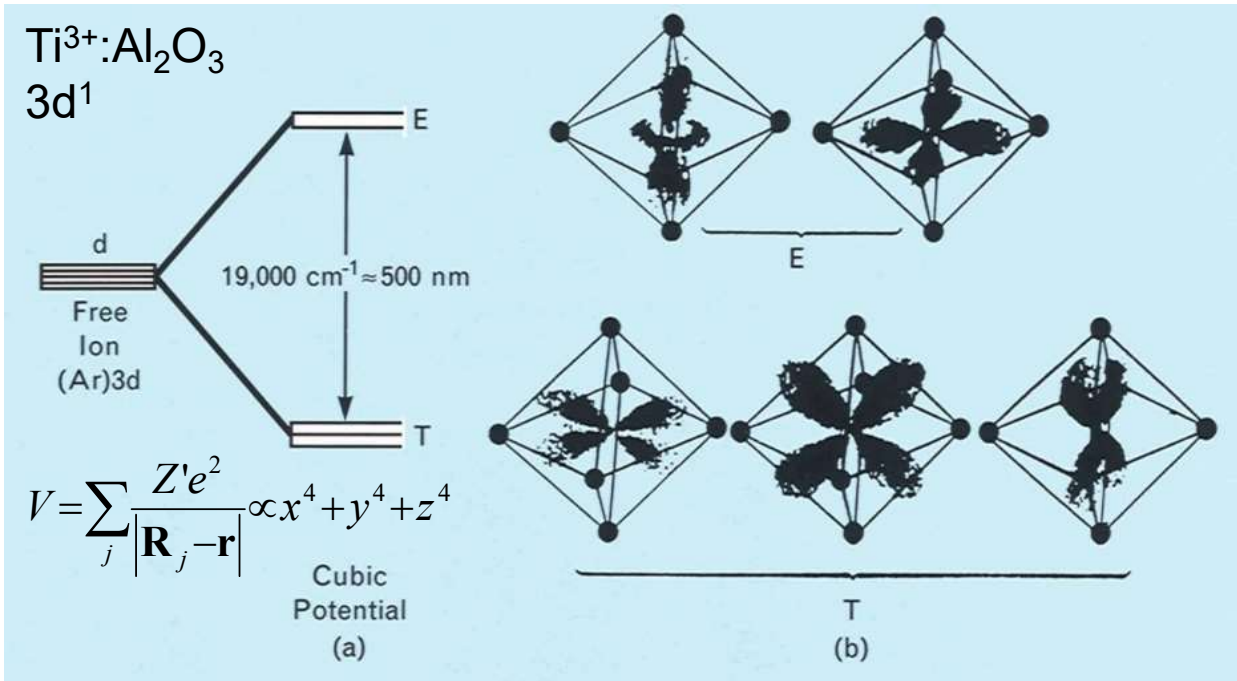


Hydrogen Emission Spectrum



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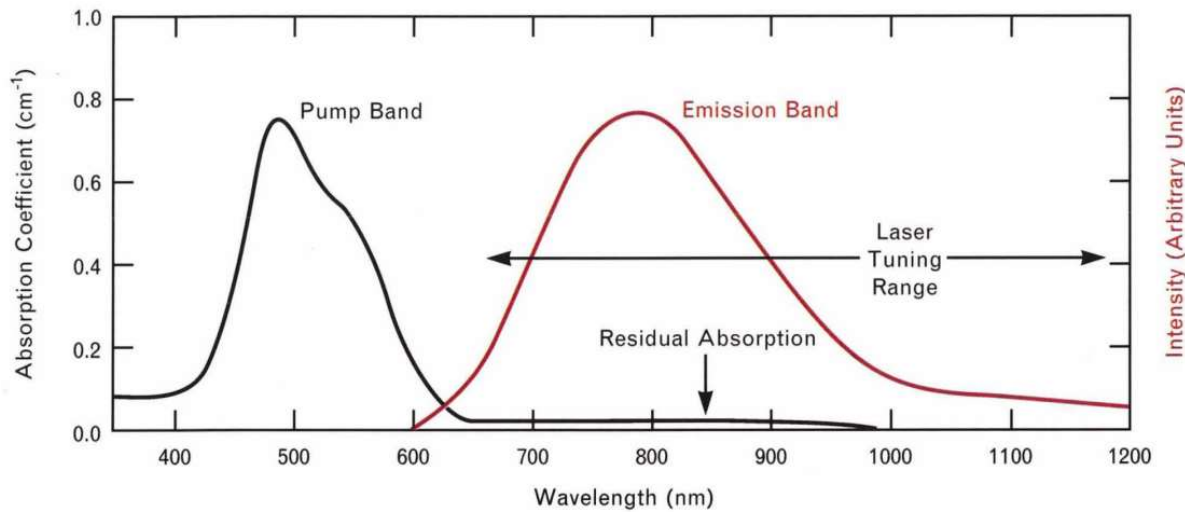
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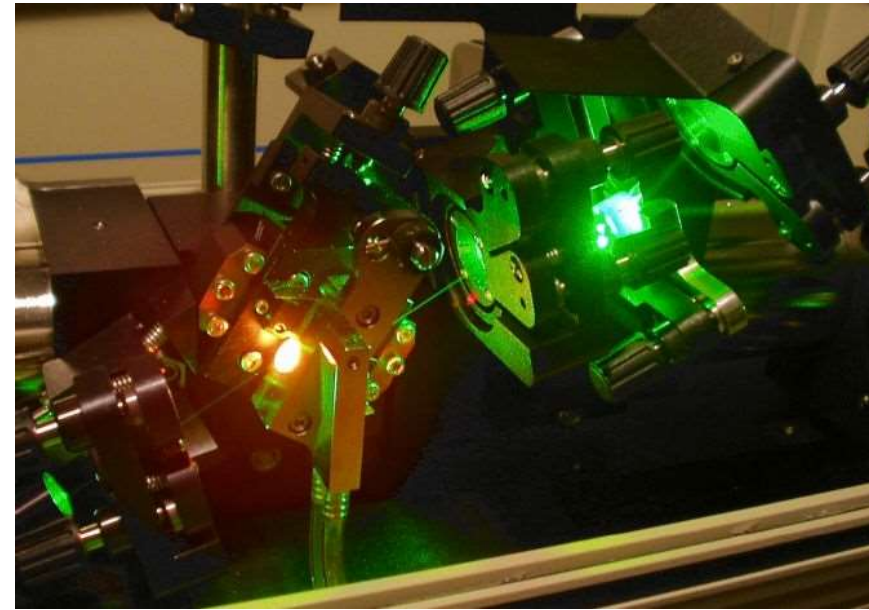
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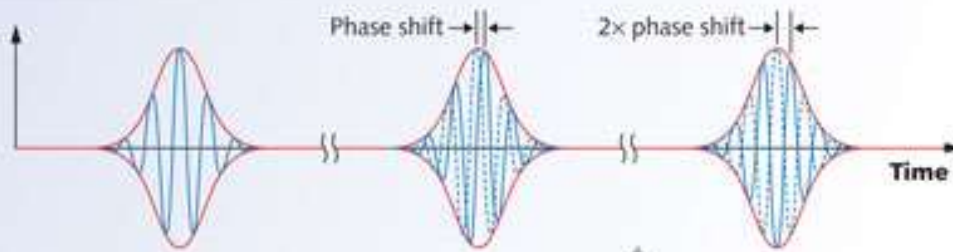
Pump: green, lasing: NIR



Intensity (Arbitrary Units)

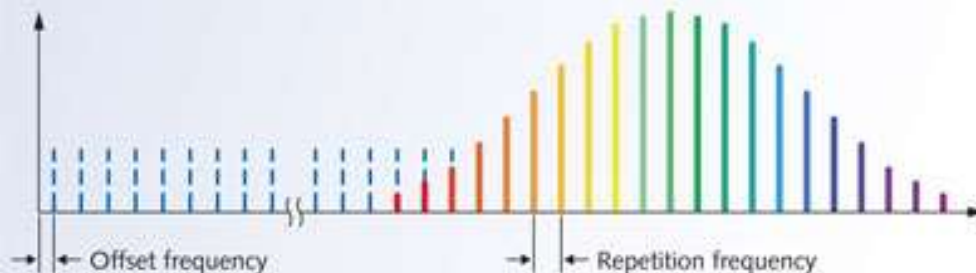


Time domain - femtosecond pulses



Fourier transformation

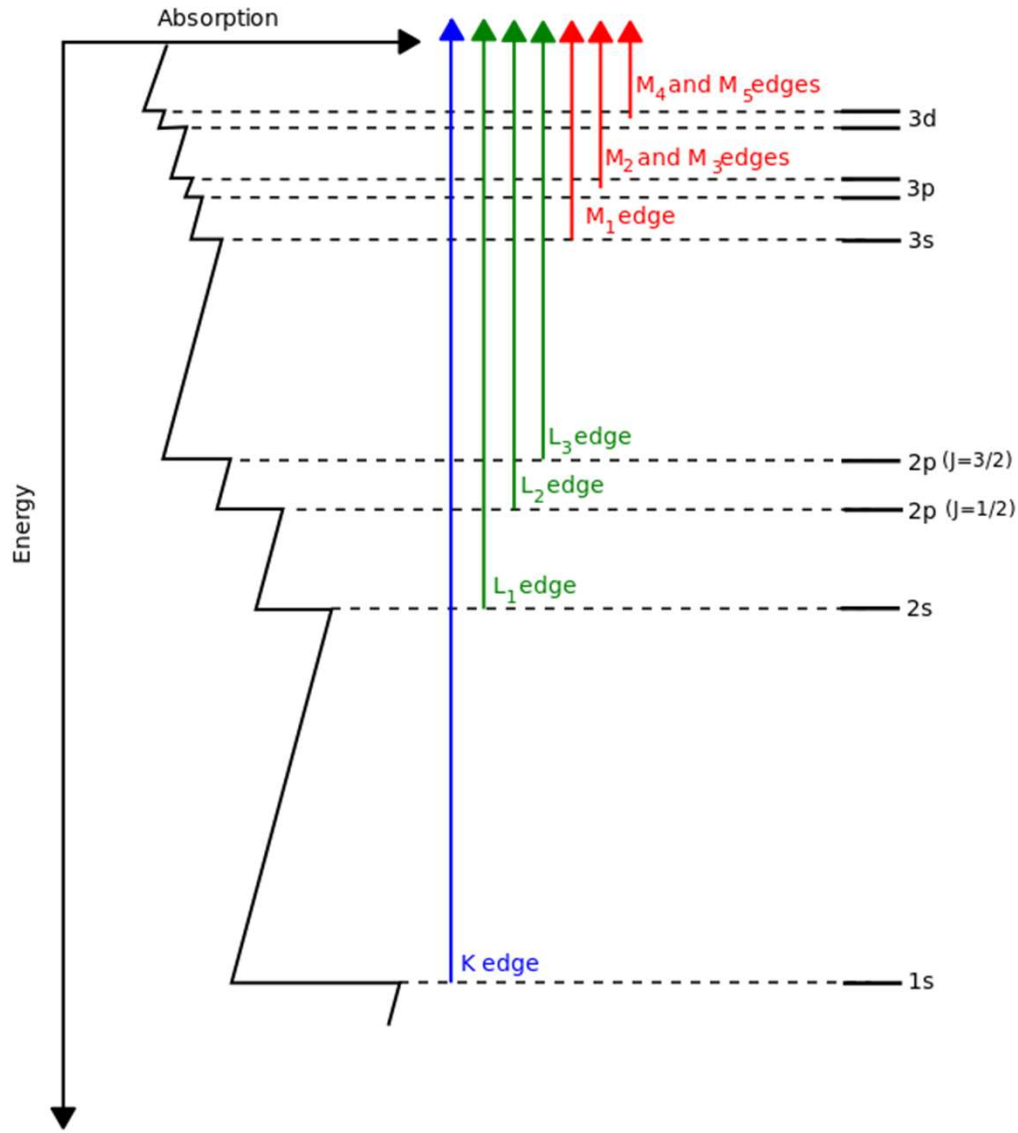
Frequency domain - frequency comb



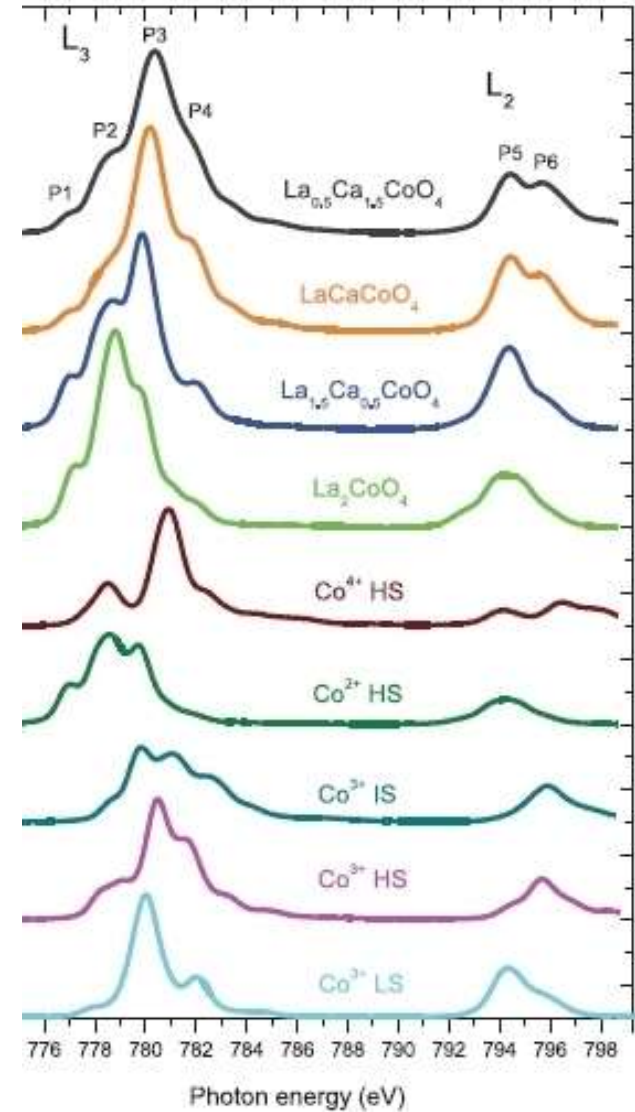
Central wavelength: 800 nm (375 THz)
Pulse width: 10-100 fs
Repetition rate: 80 MHz ($\frac{c}{2L}$), resonator: ~2 m

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X-ray absorption spectroscopy (XAS)



Sensitive:
composition, charge state, environment

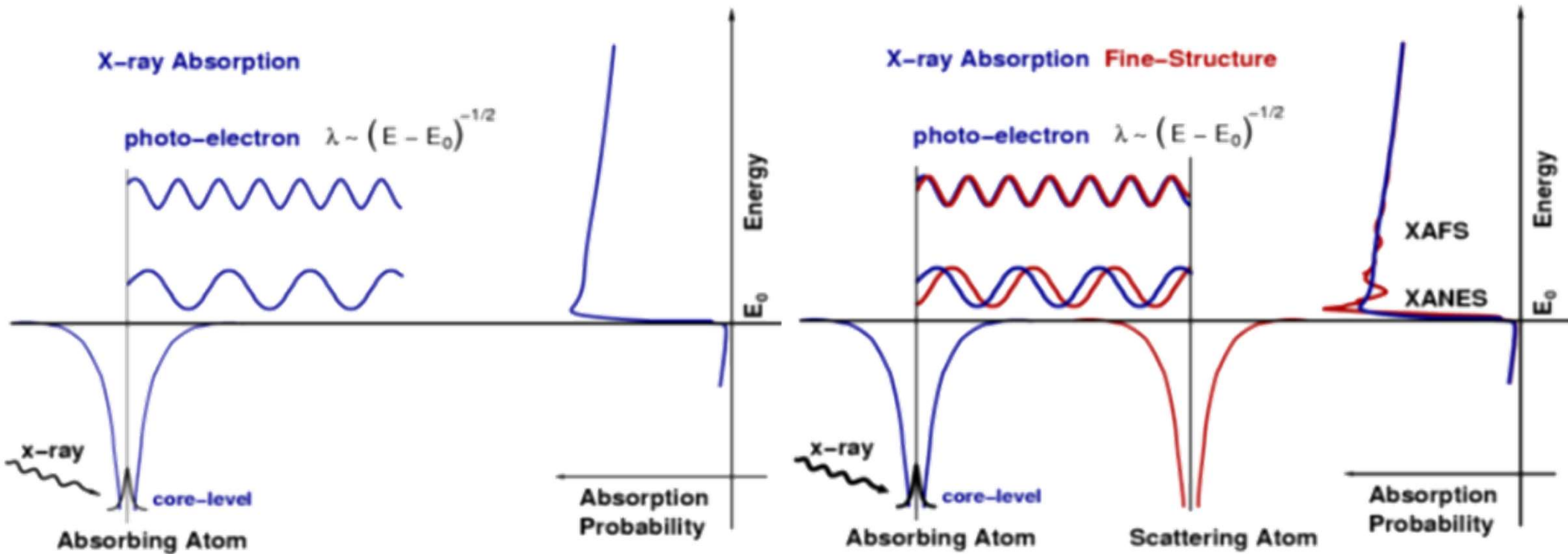


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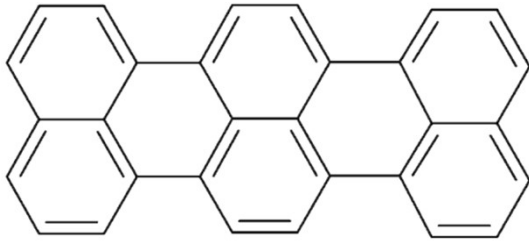
XANES (**X**-ray **A**bsorption **N**ear **E**dge **S**tructure)

EXAFS (**E**xtended **X**-Ray **A**bsorption **F**ine **S**tructure)

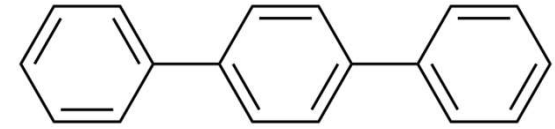


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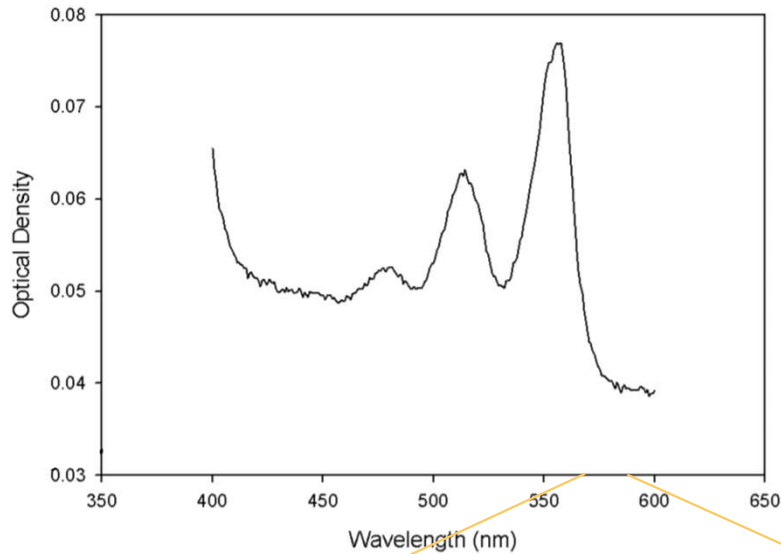
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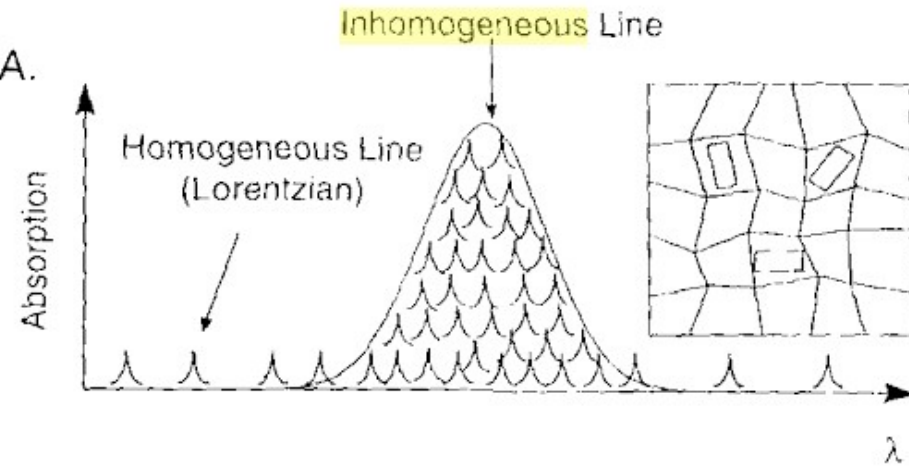
in para-Terphenyl crystals



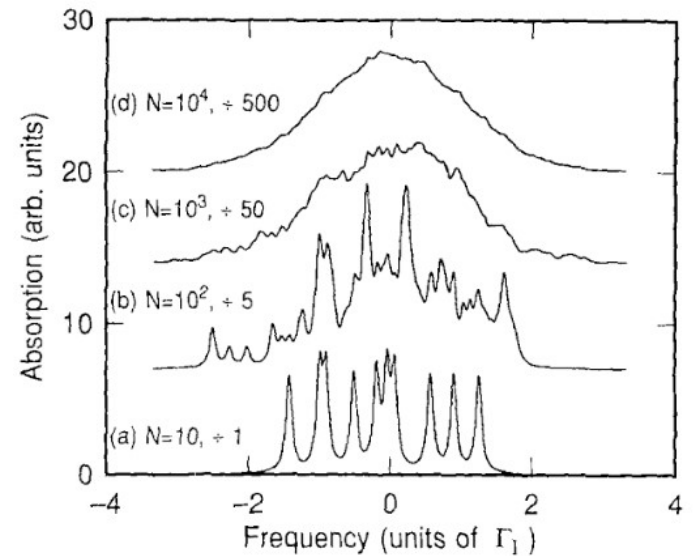
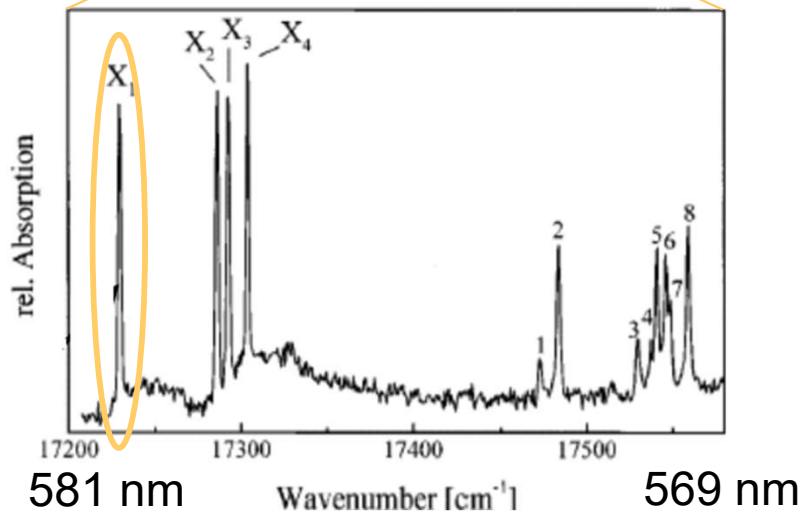
300 K



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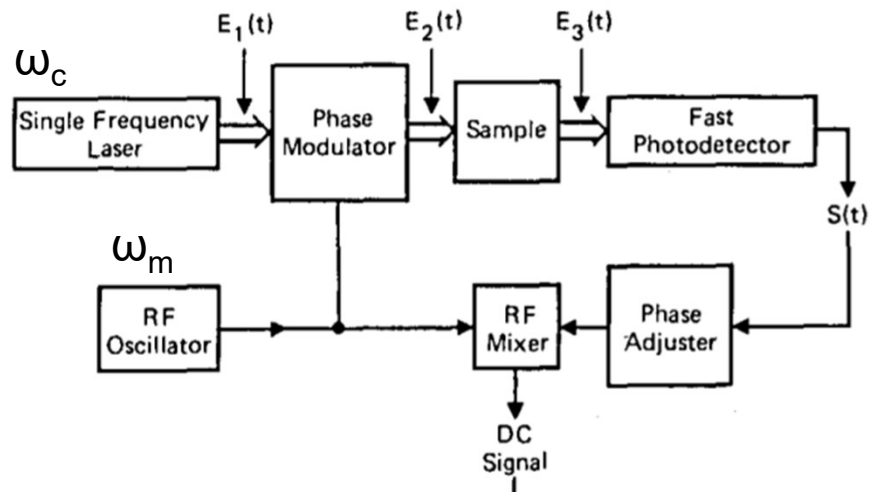


2 K



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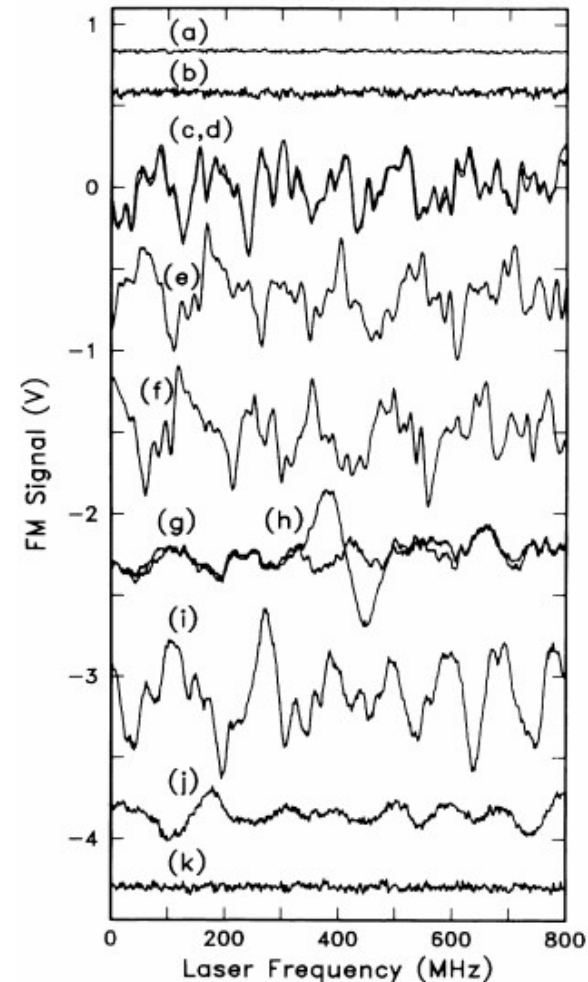
FM modulation spectroscopy



$$\tilde{E}_2(t) = E_0 \left\{ -\frac{M}{2} \exp[i(\omega_c - \omega_m)t] + \exp(i\omega_c t) + \frac{M}{2} \exp[i(\omega_c + \omega_m)t] \right\}$$

$$\tilde{E}_3(t) = E_0 \left\{ -T_{-1} \frac{M}{2} \exp[i(\omega_c - \omega_m)t] + T_0 \exp(i\omega_c t) + T_1 \frac{M}{2} \exp[i(\omega_c + \omega_m)t] \right\}$$

Amplitude transmission: $T_j = \exp(-\delta_j - i\phi_j)$



$\gamma \sim 8$ MHz

FIG. 1. FM spectra in the cosine phase for a single crystal of pentacene in *p*-terphenyl. Trace *a*, no light on the detector. Trace *b*, 3 μ W on the detector at a wavelength not in resonance with the O_1 -site absorption. Traces *c* and *d*, FM spectra at 1.4 K near the peak of the O_1 absorption at 592.3 nm with a focused spot. Trace *e*, a new spot in the sample, same spectral range as for trace *c*. Trace *f*, laser center frequency offset by 50 MHz from that for trace *e*. Trace *g*, larger laser spot (0.75 mm diam). Trace *h*, persistent hole burned in the spectral range of trace *g*. Trace *i*, 1.4 K, focused spot. Trace *j*, 5.6 K, same location. Trace *k*, 7 K. The vertical scale is exact for traces *c* and *d*; all the other traces have the same scale but are offset vertically for clarity. 1 V corresponds to a change in aL of 1.1×10^{-3} . The detection bandwidth was 0.1 to 300 Hz and $\nu_m = 58.1$ MHz with $M = 0.16$. The frequency scale was calibrated by optical observation of the rf sideband spacing.

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Spectroscopy of electronic excitations

Laser induced fluorescence

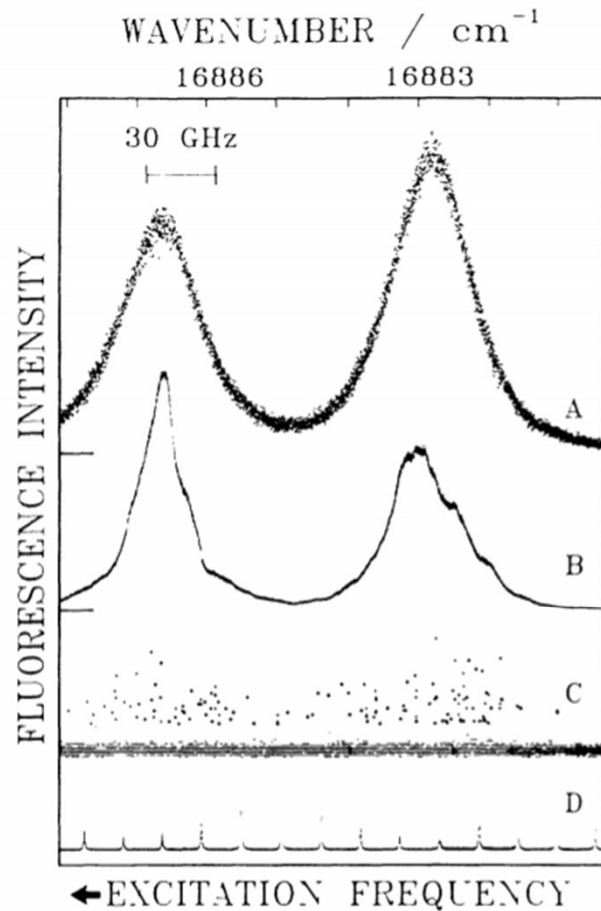


FIG. 1. O_1, O_2 region of the fluorescence excitation spectra of pentacene in different *p*-terphenyl crystals. Curve *A*, thick melt-grown crystal showing the Gaussian inhomogeneous bands. *B*, sublimation flake presenting narrower bands and substructure presumably due to cooling-induced defects. *C*, spectrum of a very small volume of a sublimation flake. The dots are the narrow excitation peaks of individual molecules. *D*, calibration spectrum of an etalon.

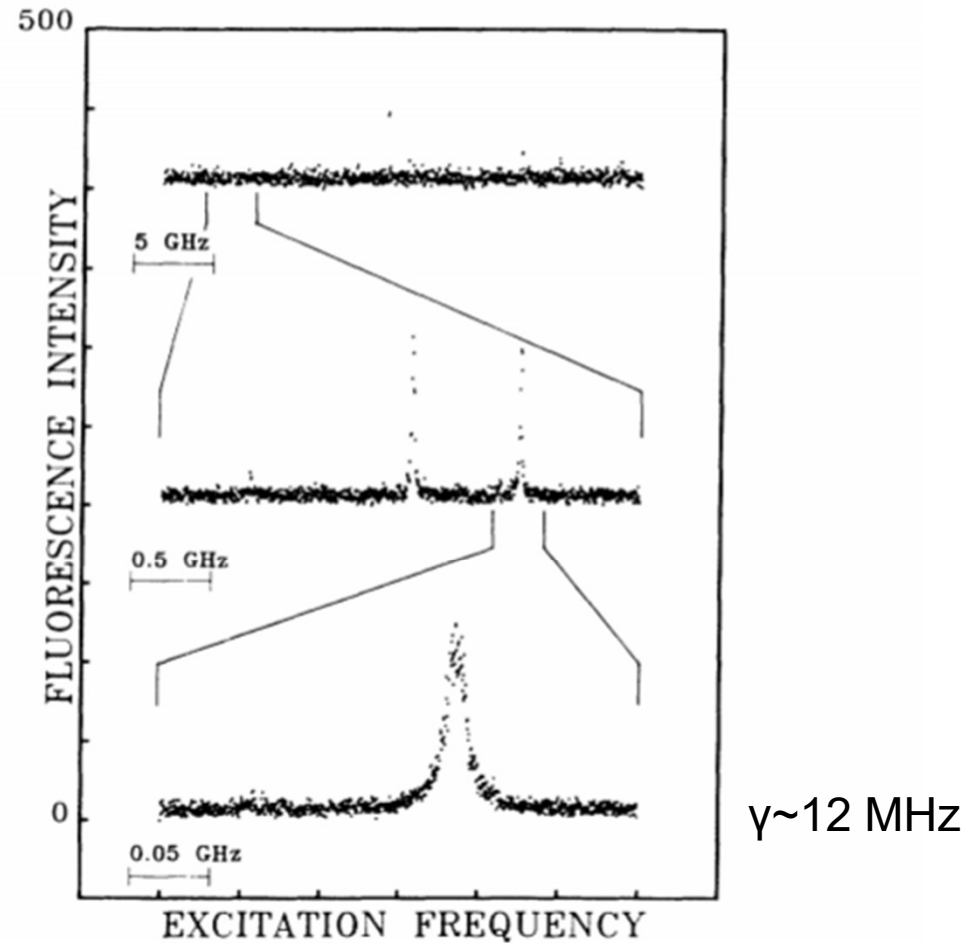
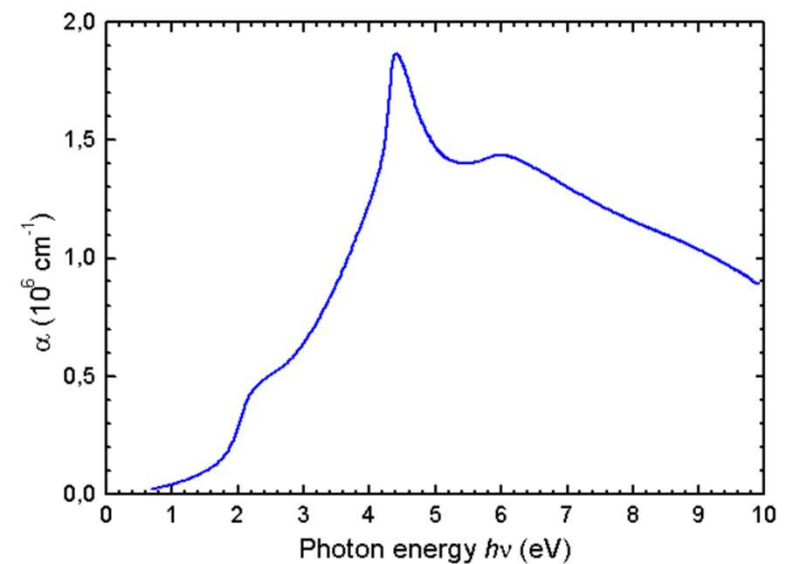
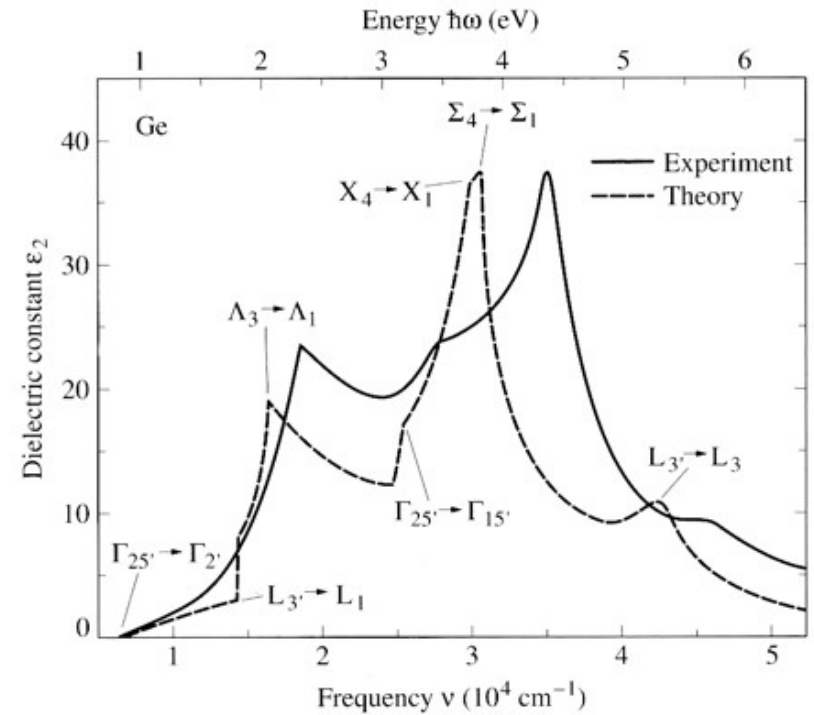
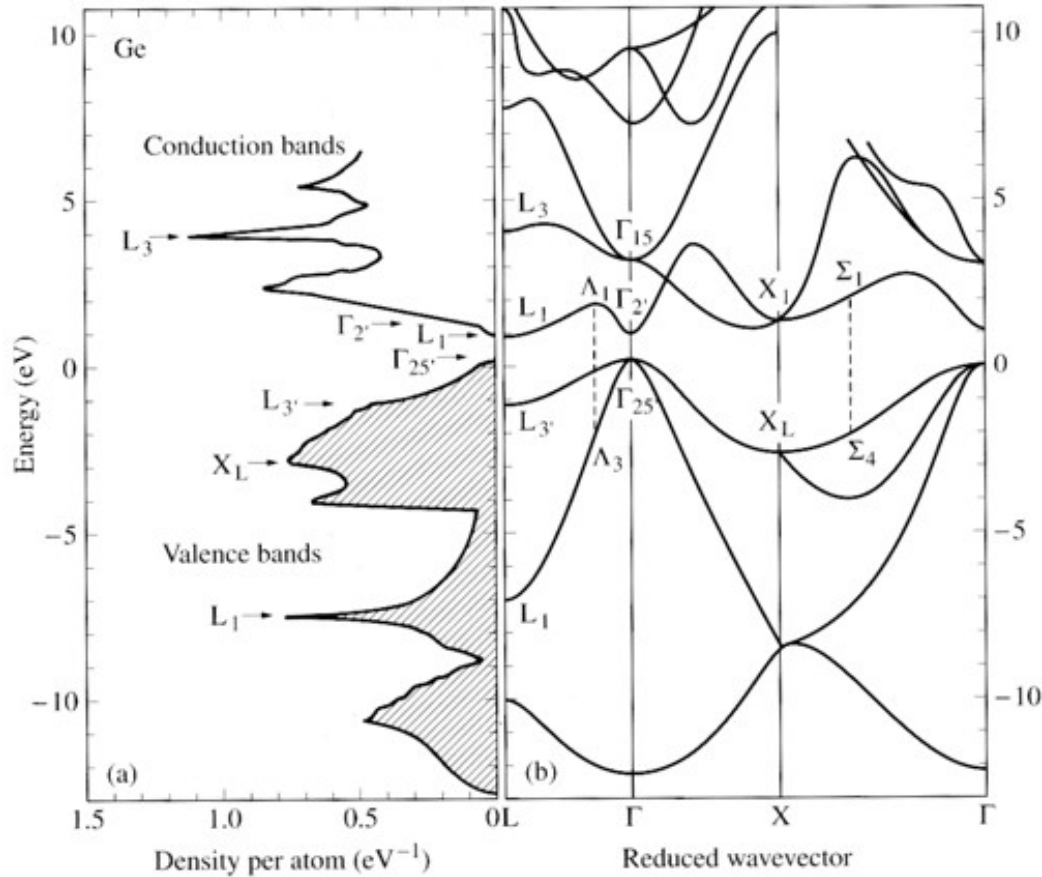
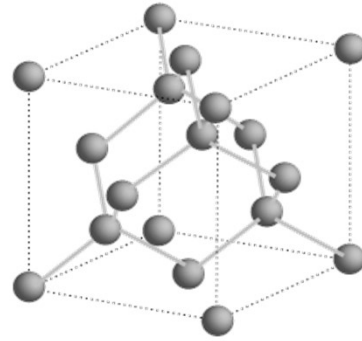


FIG. 2. Shape of a single molecule's excitation peak at different frequency scales. The bottom spectrum is approximately Lorentzian with FWHM about 12 MHz. The vertical scale is in counts/channel.

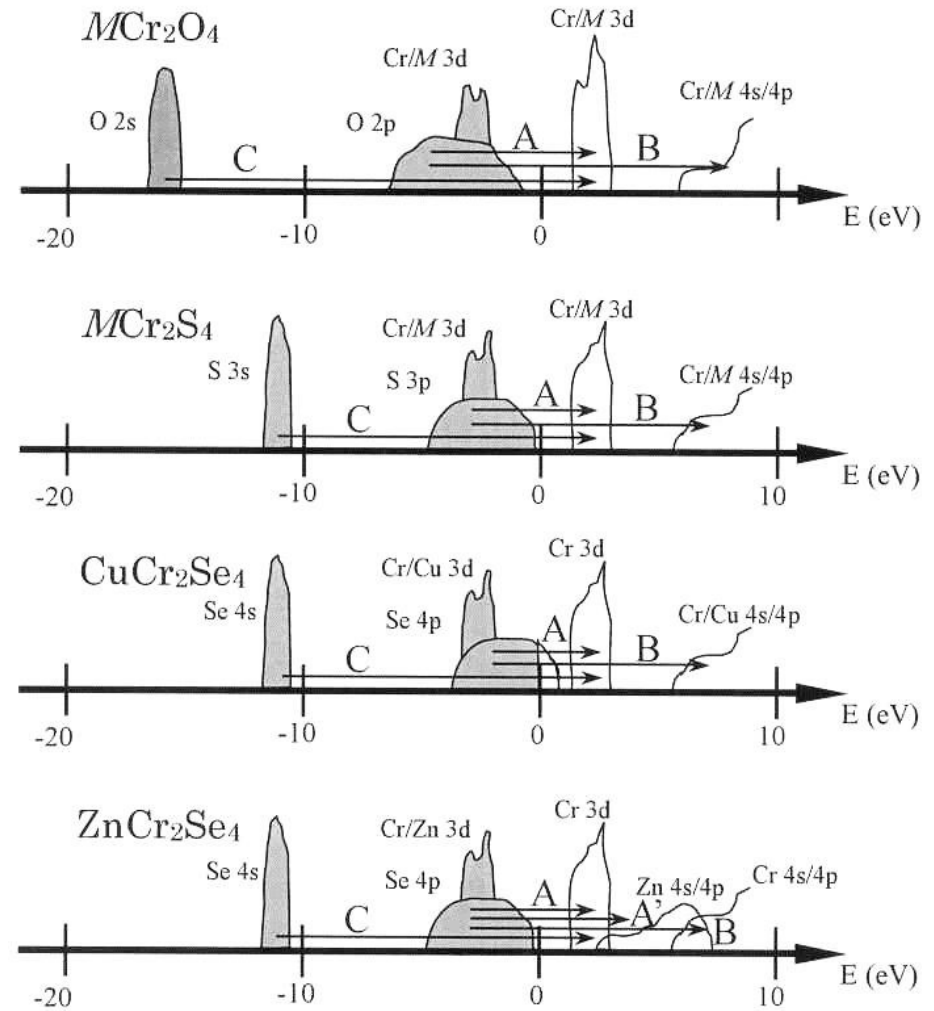
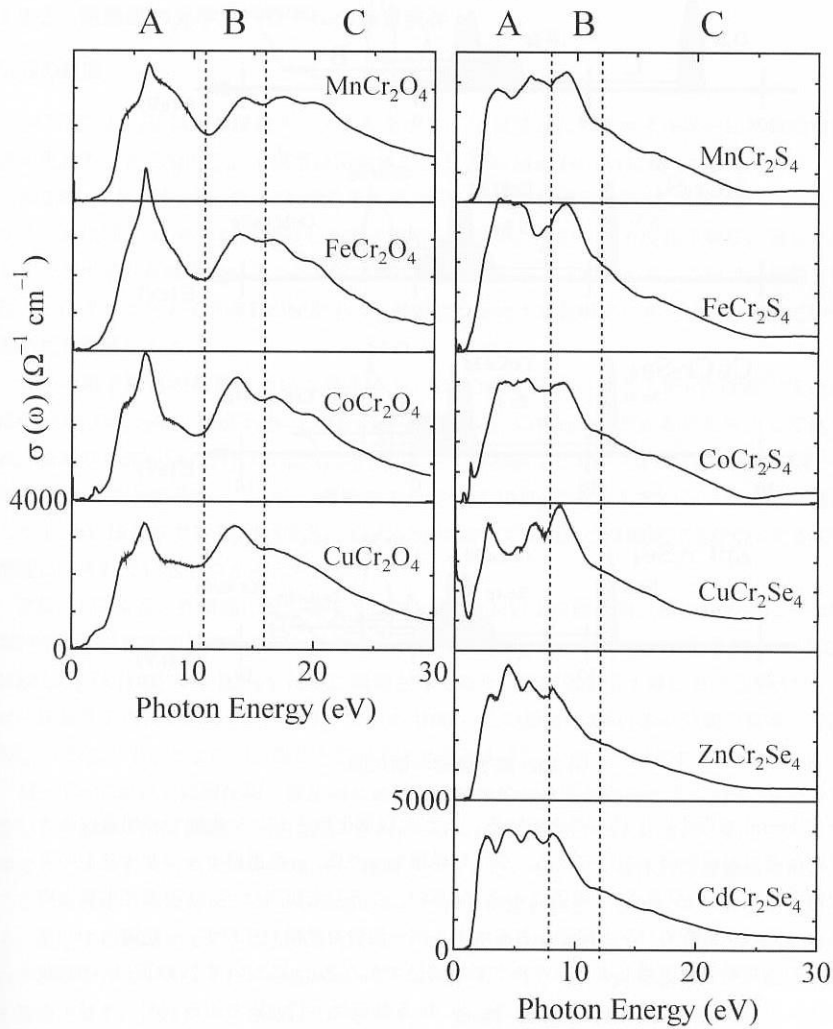
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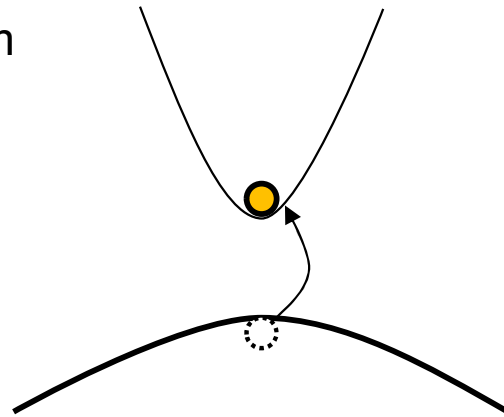
Interband transitions



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Excitons

Excitons in germanium



Cu_2O : direct transition through the band gap is forbidden "p" type ($l=1$) excitons are allowed
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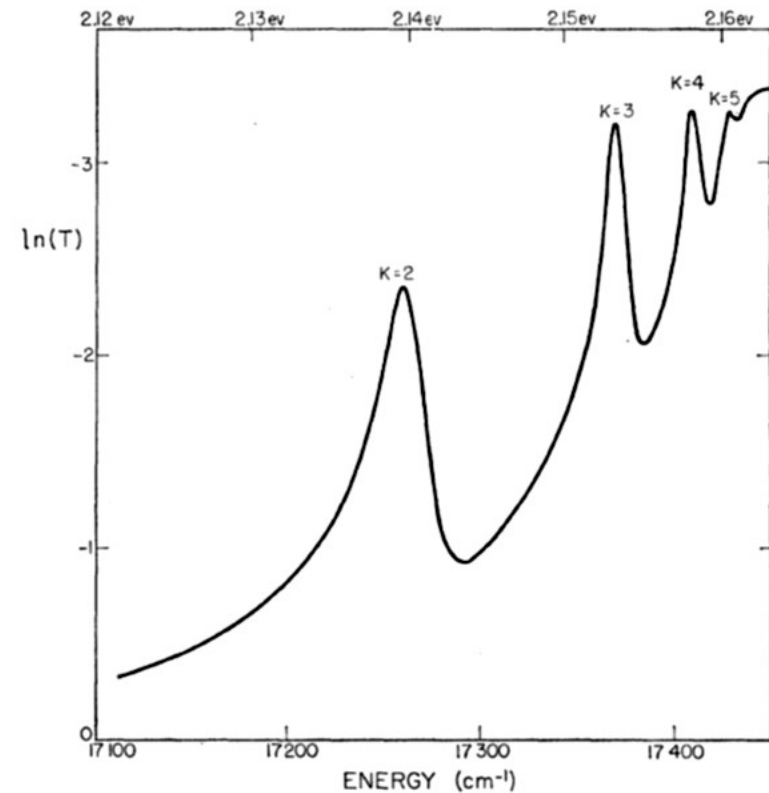
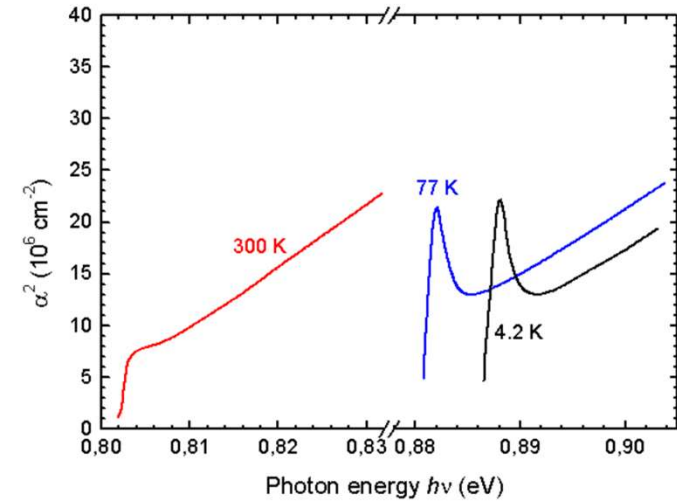
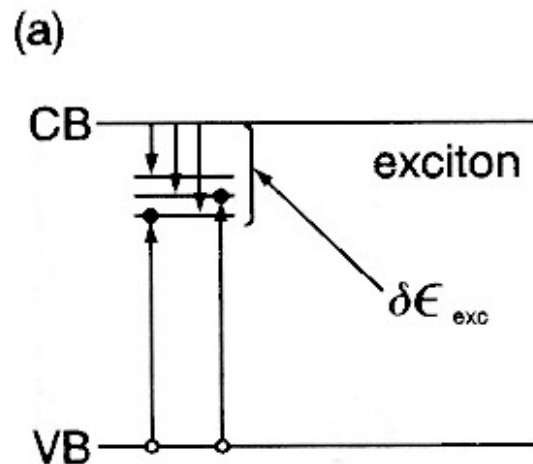


FIG. 6. The logarithm of the transmission as a function of photon energy of a Cu_2O sample at 77°K, showing the details of the yellow series of exciton lines.