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13rd January Spectroscopy-Microscopy: General Introduction



- Spectroscopy
- Microscopy
- Difference between Spectroscopy and Microscopy
- In-class activity



Brief History

• **Isaac Newton :** Founder of the spectroscopy (1666).



• Gustav Robert Kirchhoff and Robert Wilhelm Bunsen : Spectroscopy as an analyze technique is born (1859).

• **Sir Normal Lockyer :** Determined the exact wavelength of the Helium (5876Å) with spectroscopy technique (1868).





What is spectroscopy ?

 Spectroscopy is the investigation and measurement of spectra produced by matter interacting with or emitting electromagnetic radiation.



What is spectroscopy ?

• Absorption : Measures how much light is absorbed by a sample over a range of wavelengths defined by the electromagnetic spectra





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Wavelength of light (nm)

What is spectroscopy ?

• **Emission :** Measures how much light is emitted by a sample over a range of wavelengths defined by the electromagnetic spectra. It is created when the atoms of an element releases energy.



More Concrete



- Absorption : System is perturbed
- Emission : System is going back to his equilibrium

Electromagnetic field



$$v = \frac{1}{T}$$
 $\lambda = cT = \frac{c}{v}$ $\overline{v} = \frac{1}{\lambda}$

E = hv

V frequency (Hz); T period (s); λ wavelength (m); c celerity of the light (3.10⁸ m/s); \overline{v} wavenumber (cm⁻¹); E energy of the photon (J) and h Plank constant (6,624.10⁻³⁴ J.s).

Electromagnetic spectrum





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Quantification of the energy levels

Born-Oppenheimer Approximation:

- m_{nuclei}=2000*m_{electrons} Nuclei are fixed and unmoving ullet

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$$E_{tot} = E_{el} + E_{nucleide}$$

• $E_{nucleide} = E_{vib} + E_{rot} + E_{tr}$

Quantification of the energy levels

Order of magnitude :

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$$\Delta E_{el} >> \Delta E_{vib} >> \Delta E_{rot}$$

- UV-vis: Investigate about Electronic Transition
- MIR and NIR : Investigate about Vibration Transition
- MW : Investigate about Rotation Transition
- FIR : Investigate about Rotation and Vibration Transition according to the molecule.



Selection rules

- Selection rules determine if a transition is allowed or not.
- Light-matter interaction is possible if :
 - The frequency of the light corresponds to the difference of energy ΔE between two energy levels concerned.
 - Creation of the dipolar moment $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ variation of the system at the same frequency.
- If µ is *electric* : Dipolar Electric Transition
- If µ is magnetic : Dipolar Magnetic Transition

Some important formula

• Maxwell-Boltzmann law :

$$N_J = N_0. e^{\Delta E_{i\to 0}/_{K_B T}}$$

• Beer-Lambert law : (For liquid at low concentration)

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$$A = log\left(\frac{I_0}{I}\right) = \varepsilon lC$$

• $T = \frac{I}{I_0}; log\left(\frac{1}{T}\right) = A$



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What is spectroscopy used for ?

- Determining the atomic structure of a sample
- Determining the metabolic structure of a muscle
- Monitoring dissolved oxygen content in freshwater and marine ecosystems
- Studying spectral emission lines of distant galaxies
- Altering the structure of drugs to improve effectiveness
- Characterization of proteins
- Space exploration
- Respiratory gas analysis in hospitals

Microscopy

Brief History

- First microscope was made in the late 1300's
- 1609 Galileo Galilei perfected the first device known as a microscope.
- In the late 16th century, **Anton van Leeuwenhoek** the founder of the study of microscopy and an played a vital role in the development of cell theory.
- The first **electron microscope** was developed in the 1930's by Max Knoll and Ernst Ruska.
- Scanning tunneling microscope invented in 1981 by Gerd Bennig and Heinrich Rohrer.
- Later **Bennig** and his colleagues, in 1986, went on to invent the atomic force microscope.



Zeiss Microscope



Scanning Tunneling Microscope



Electron Microscope



Atomic Force Microscope

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What is Microscopy ?

• Microscopy to view objects (cannot be seen with naked eye)



Optical Microscopy









Types of optical microscopes



Optical Microscopy: Applications and limitations

Applications:

- Microbiology
- Microelectronics
 - Nanophysics
 - Biotechnology
 - Pharmaceutical
- Biological samples for medical diagnoses

Limitations

- Airy Disks
- Diffraction limit $d = \frac{\lambda}{2nsin(\alpha)}$

Electron Microscopy

- The electron microscope uses a beam of electrons and their wavelike characteristics to magnify an object's image.
- Can resolve features that are more than 1 million times smaller than optical microscope.
- Gain information as to sample's structure and composition.



Types of electron Microscopes





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Electron Microscopy: Applications and limitations

Applications

- Investigate:
 - Microorganisms
 - Cells
 - Large molecules
 - Biopsy samples
 - Metals
 - Crystals
- Quality control and failure analysis.

Limitations

- Cost
- Size
- Maintenance
- researcher training
 - Image artifacts

Scanning Probe Microscopy

- Scanning the sample surface with a tip and tracking the strength of the interaction between the surface and tip.
- At a distance of a few nanometers or angstroms.
- Simple
- User-friendly





Scanning Probe Microscopy: Applications and limitations

Applications

Limitations

- Study surfaces and modify them
 - Determination of the effect of atomic interactions and quantum effects on surface friction
 - Industries such as automotive, aerospace and electronics
- Examine peptide structures and determine their stiffness and structure
 - Map cell surfaces
 - Examine the cell membrane's stiffness

 Images are produced in black and white or grayscale which can exaggerate a specimen's actual shape or size.

Differences between Spectroscopy and Microscopy



Microscopy

 Uses specific lenses to improve the visibility of very fine particles

Spectroscopy

- Determine how electrons respond to light energy, determine the spectral lines and/or energy of a sample
- Uses electromagnetic radiation at specific wavelengths to investigate a sample's absorbance or transmittance

Any Questions ?



In-Class Activity

• 1. Calculate percent transmittance from the following values of absorbance:

a) 4.0 b) 0.23 c) 1.6

- 2. Convert the following from percent transmittance to absorbance.
 - a) 0.10%
 - b) 23%
 - c) 84%
- 3. In a 5.0 M solution, a solute absorbs 90% of a visible light as the beam passes through an 80 mm cell. Calculate the molar absorptivity of this solute.

- 4. When molecules are exposed to radiation with frequency, v, such that $\Delta E = hv$, do they travel through a transition from a higher to lower state, or lower to higher state?
- 5. a) Which wave has the higher frequency?

b) If one wave represents visible light and the other represents infrared radiation, which wave is which?

- 6. The wavelength of the red line in the Hydrogen spectrum is 656 nm. What is the wavenumber and frequency of it?
- 7. The yellow light given off by a sodium vapor lamp used for public lighting has a wavelength of 589 nm.

a) What is the frequency of this radiation?b) Calculate the energy of one photon of this yellow light