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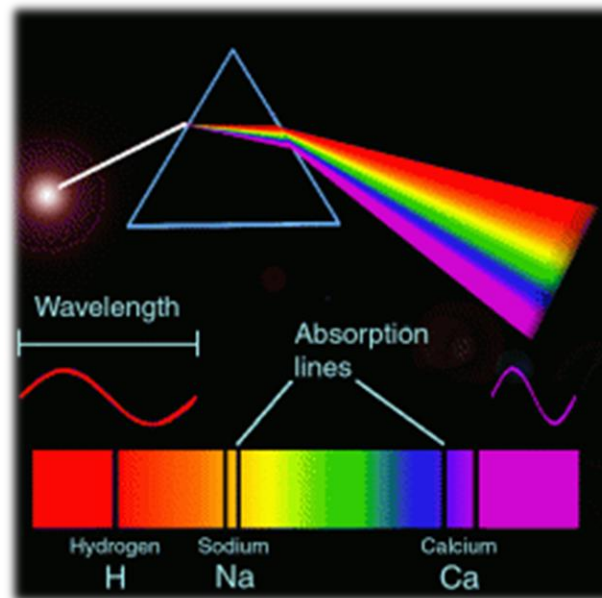
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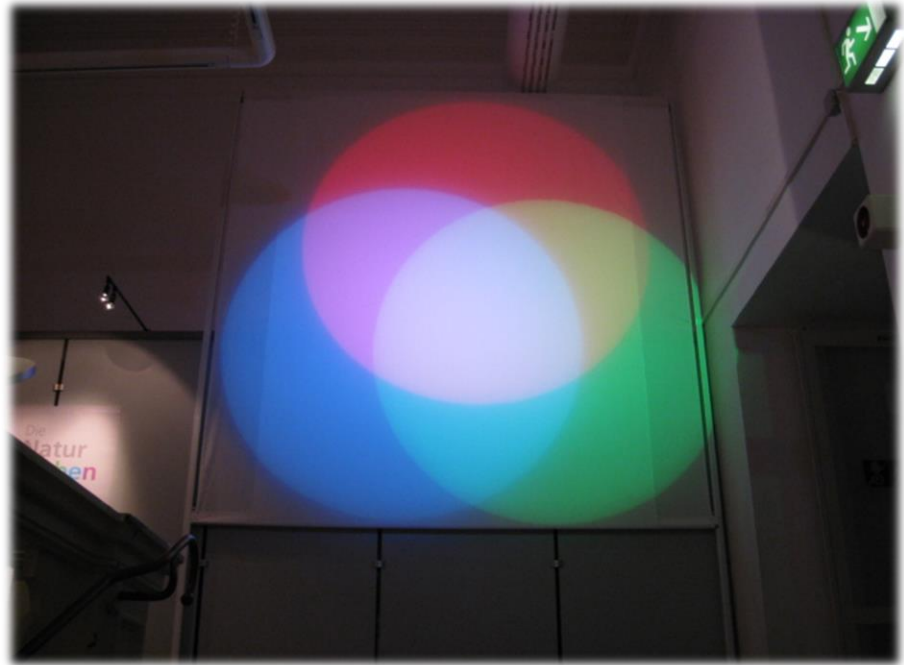
Spectroscopy

Spectroscopy is the study of the interaction between matter and electromagnetic radiation.



History of spectroscopy

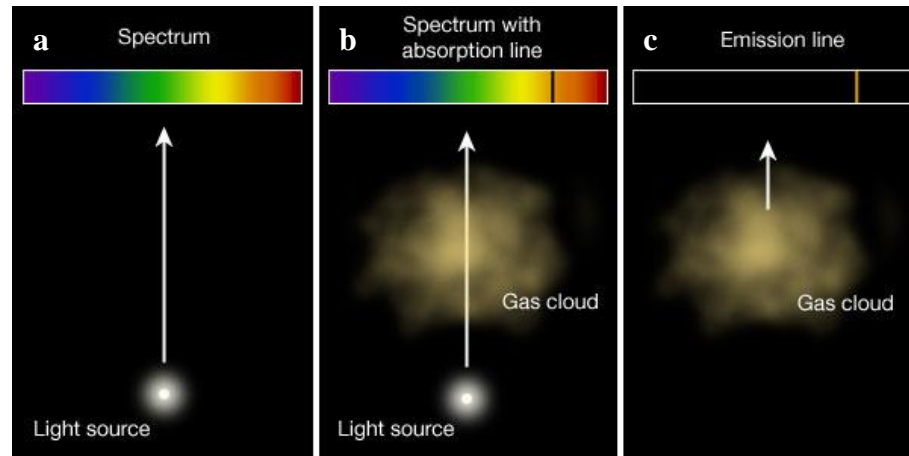
Sir Issac Newton (1643 ~ 1727)



- Advances in optics, specifically prisms, enabled systematic observations of the solar spectrum.
- Isaac Newton first applied the word spectrum to describe the rainbow of colors that combine to form white light.

History of spectroscopy

Joseph von Fraunhofer (1787 ~ 1826)

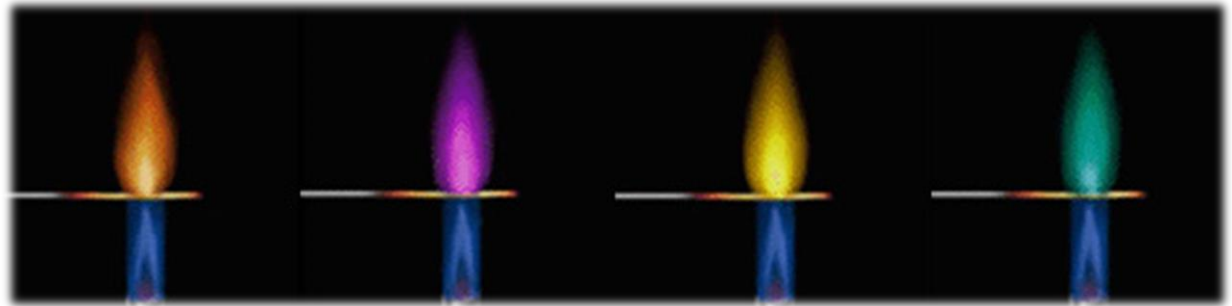


Fraunhofer lines

- a. Solids, fluids and high-pressure gases emit a continuous spectrum.
- b. When the light passes through a low-density cold gas, specific colors of light are absorbed.
- c. A low-density hot gas emits a line spectrum.

History of spectroscopy

Gustav Robert Kirchhoff (1824 ~ 1887)



Calcium (Ca)

Kalium (K)

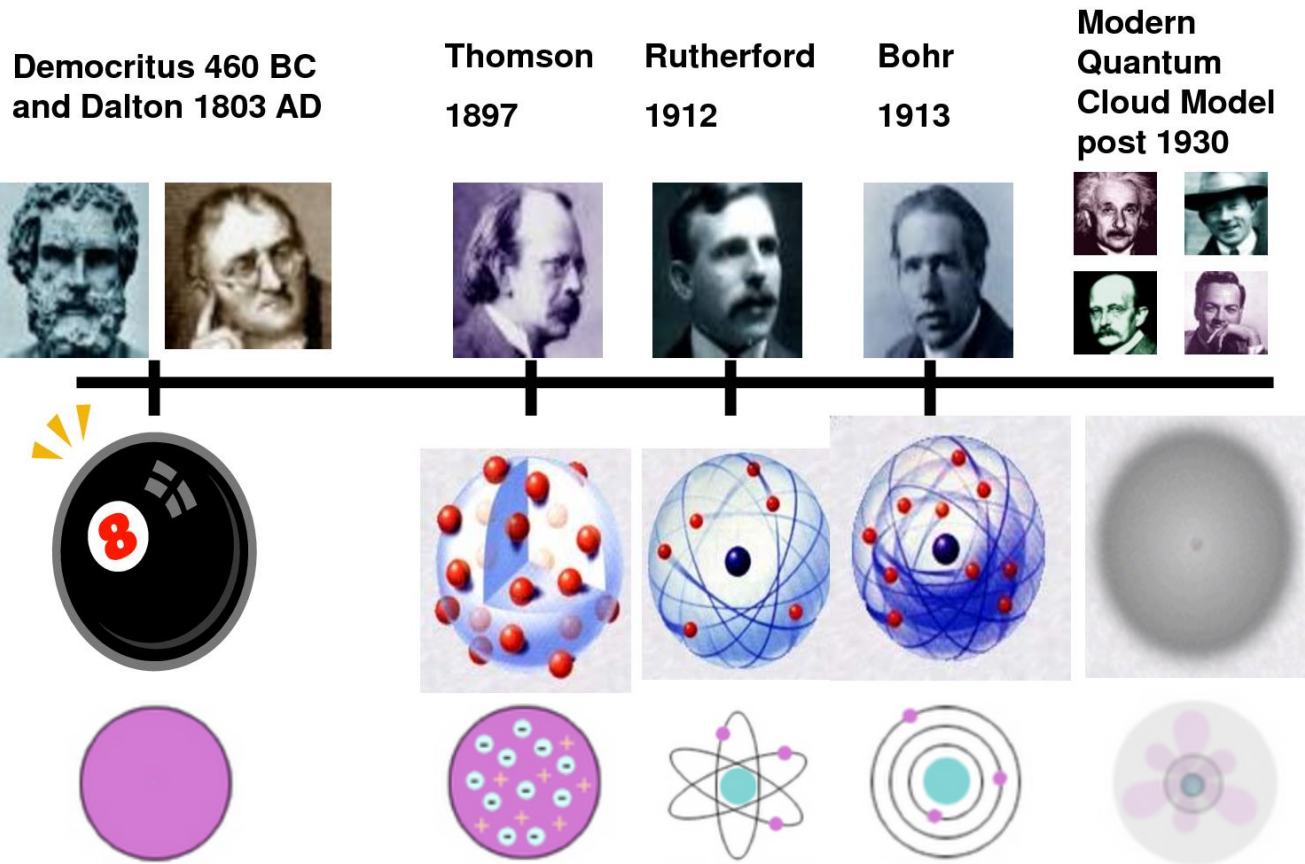
Natrium (Na)

Copper (Cu)

- A flame test is an analytic procedure used in chemistry to detect the presence of certain elements.
- Based on each element's characteristic, different emission spectrum is shown.
- The color of flames in general also depends on temperature.

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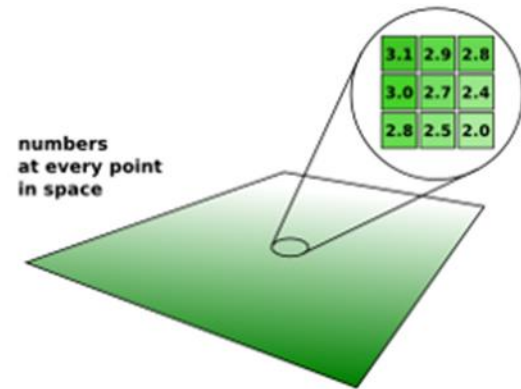
Atom models: historical time line



Classical mechanics vs. Quantum mechanics

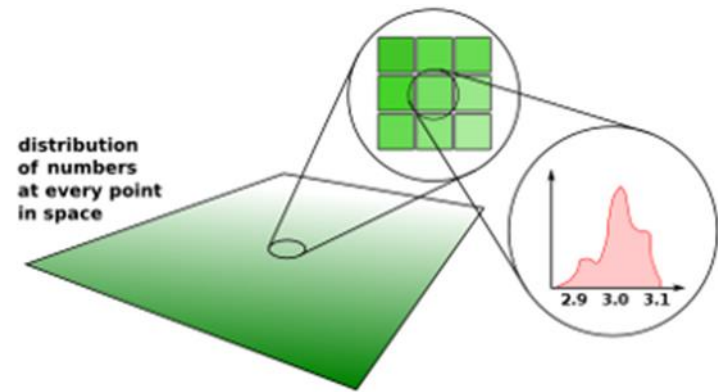
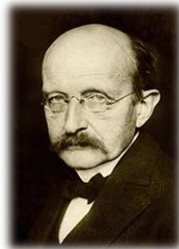
Classical mechanics

Issac Newton



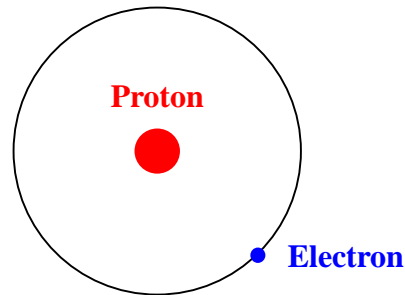
Quantum mechanics

Max Planck

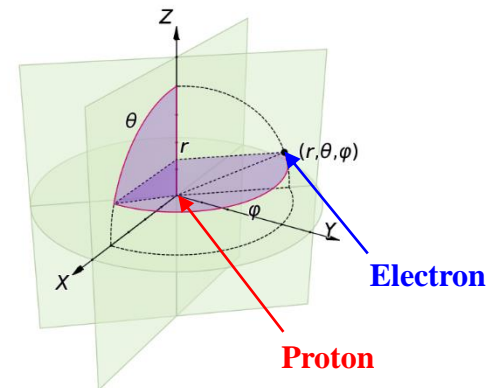
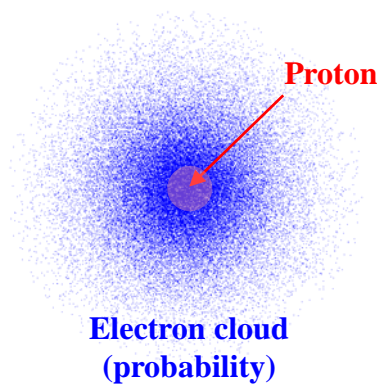


Quantum mechanics: electron cloud

Classical mechanics



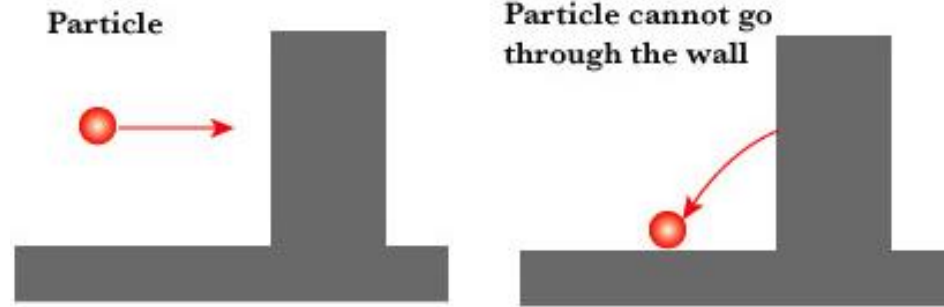
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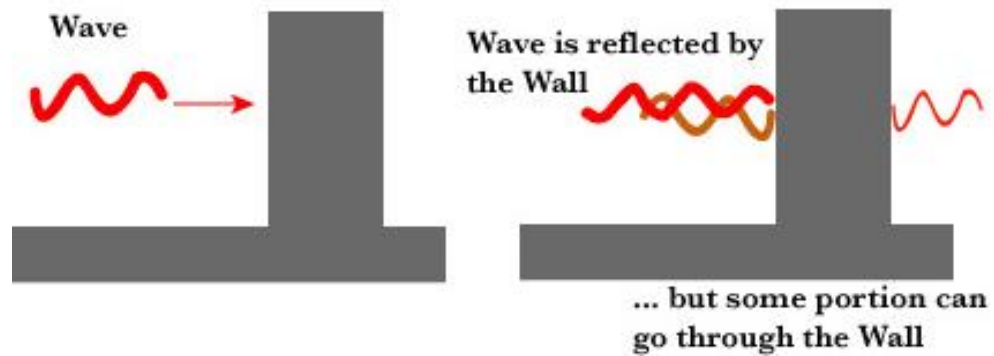
Wave function $\psi(r, \theta, \phi) = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi a_0^5} \right)^{1/2} r e^{-r/2a_0} \sin \theta \cos \phi$

Quantum mechanics: tunnel effect

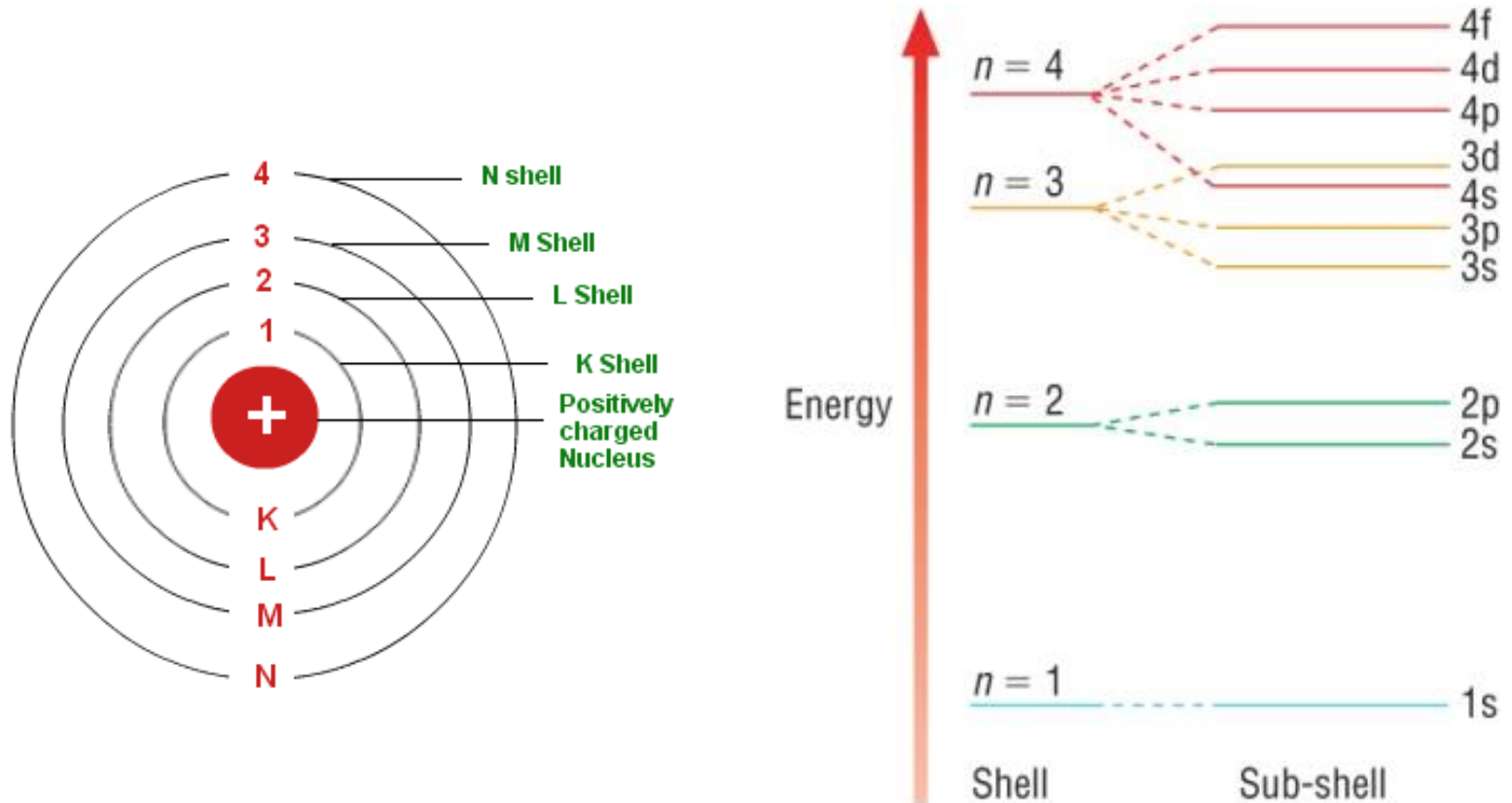
Classical mechanics



Quantum mechanics

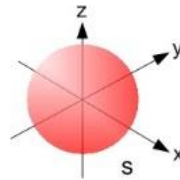


Energy level of atoms

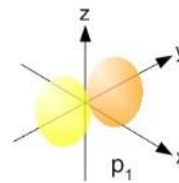
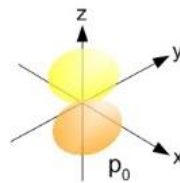
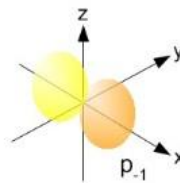


Orbitals of atoms

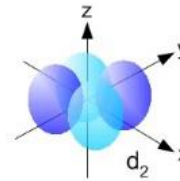
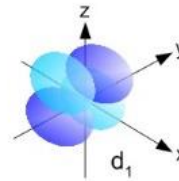
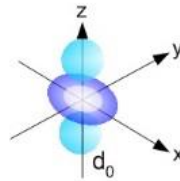
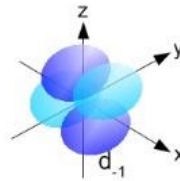
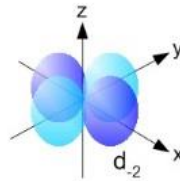
s orbital



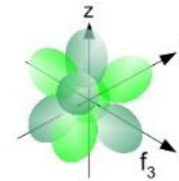
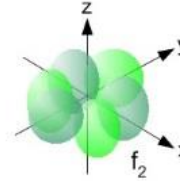
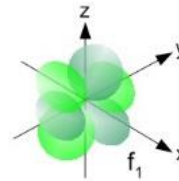
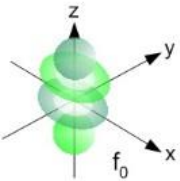
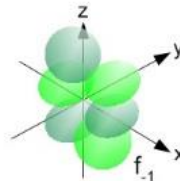
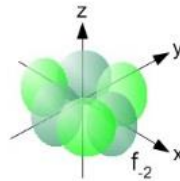
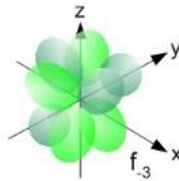
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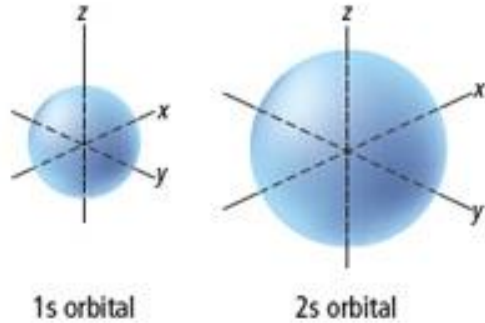
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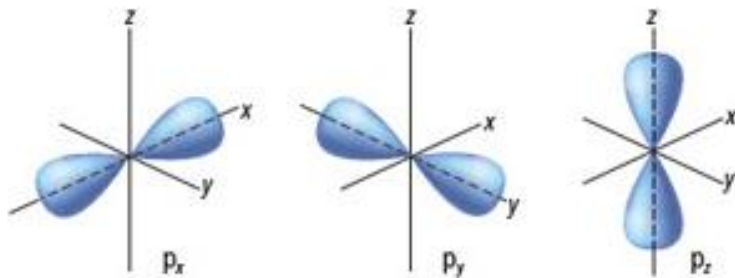
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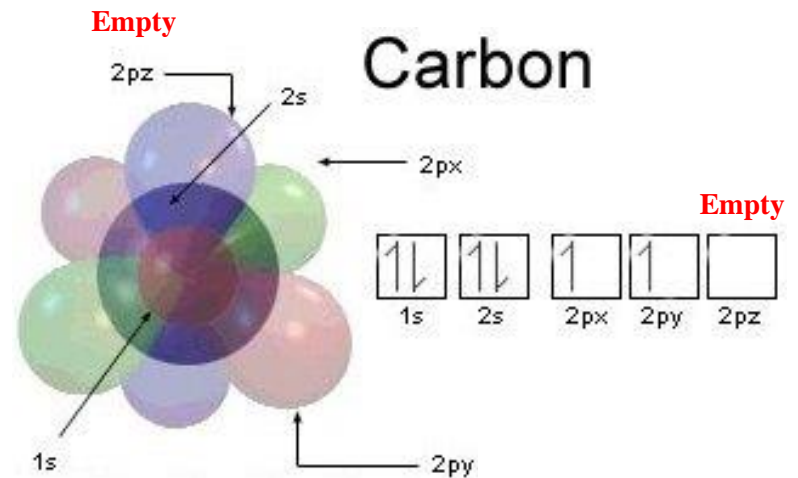
Example: carbon orbital



All s orbitals are spherical, and their size increases with increasing principal quantum number.



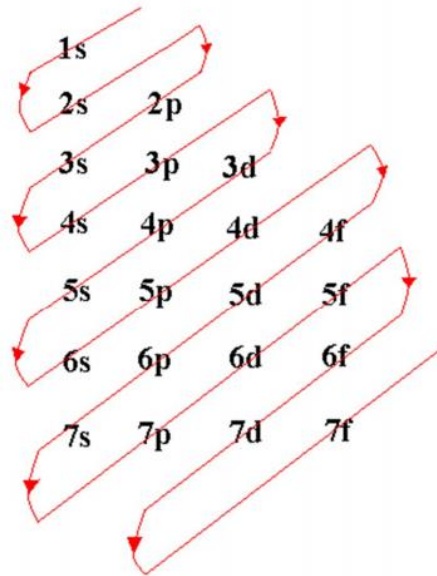
The three p orbitals are dumbshell-shaped and are oriented along the three perpendicular x, y, and z axes.



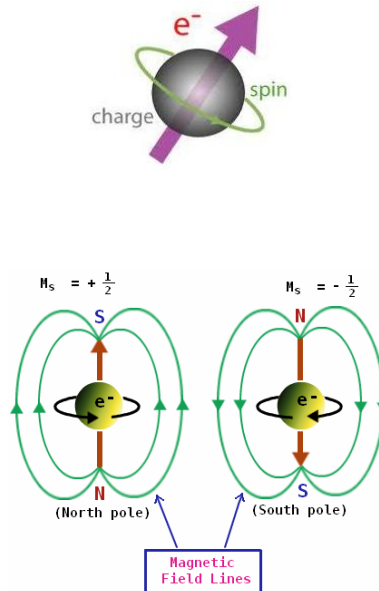
Three principles for electron configuration

Electron configuration in orbitals

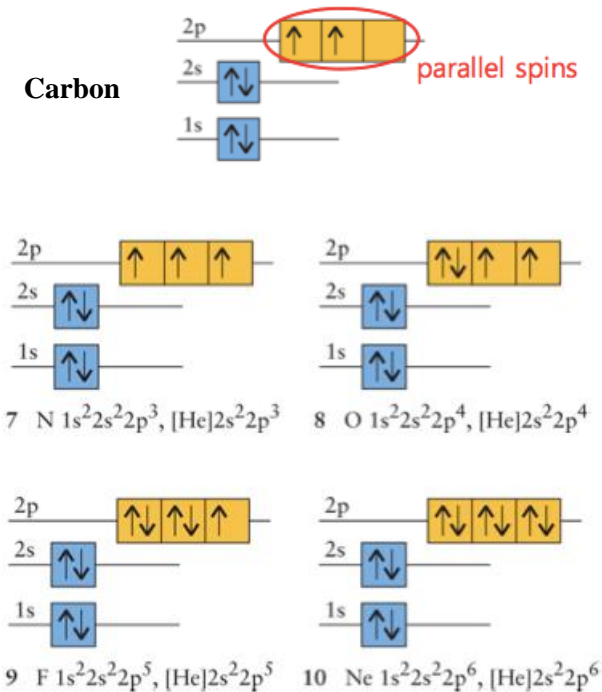
1. Building-up principle



2. Pauli exclusion principle

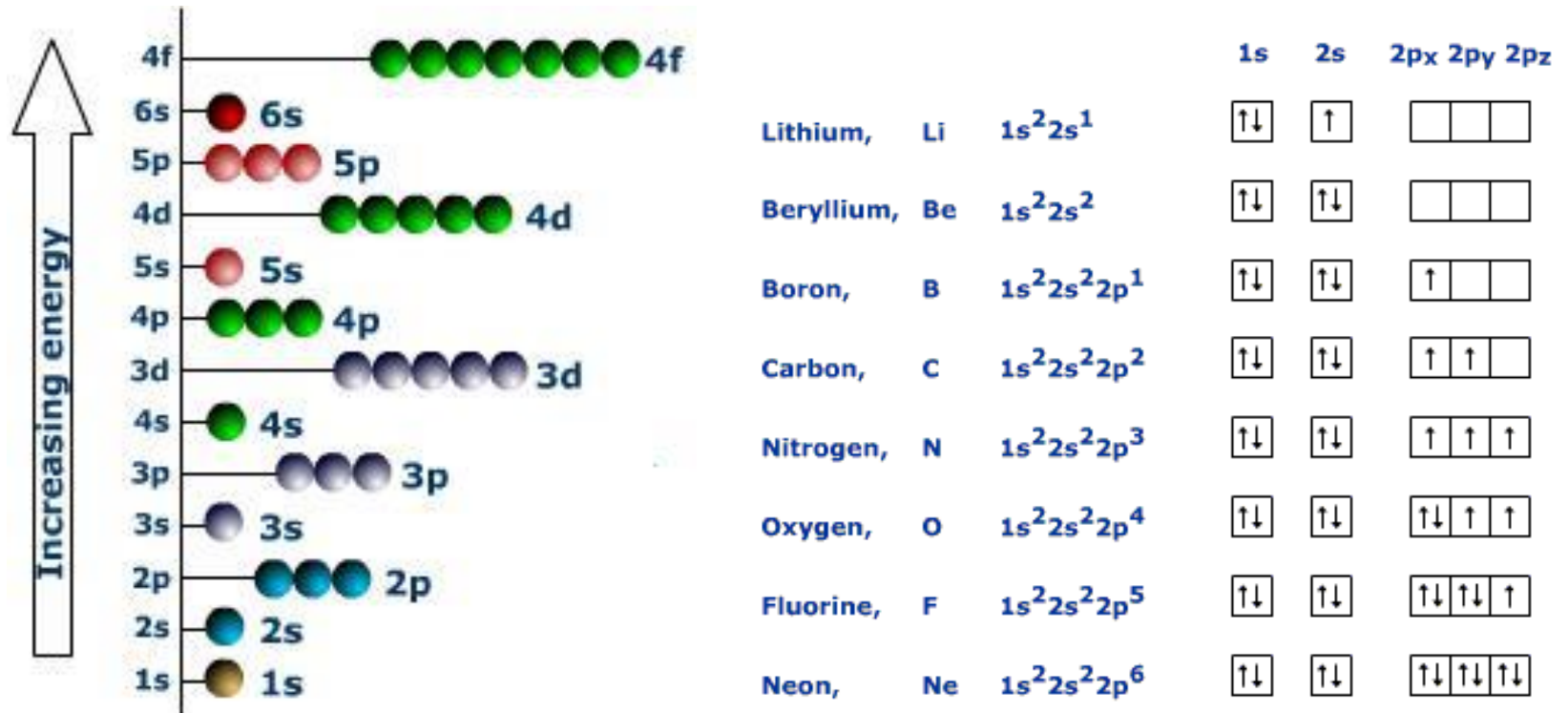


3. Hund's rule



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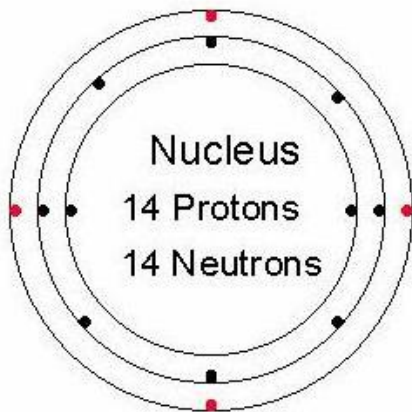
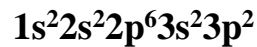
Electron configuration diagrams



Examples: silicon and copper

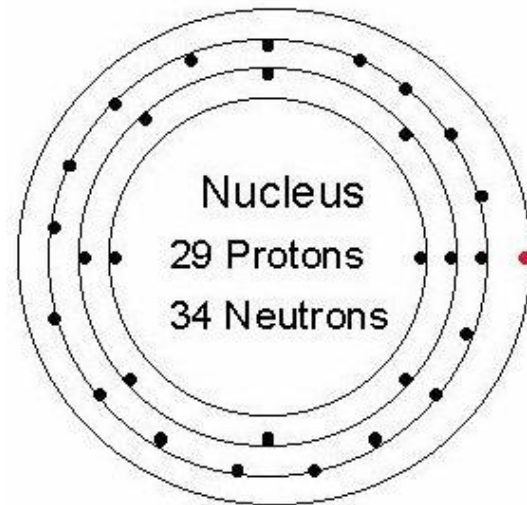
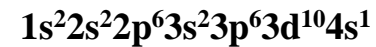
Elemental property with electron configuration

Silicon (Si)



- Si has 14 electrons in 3 shells
- The valence shell has 4 electrons.
- Half-full valence shell gives semiconductor property

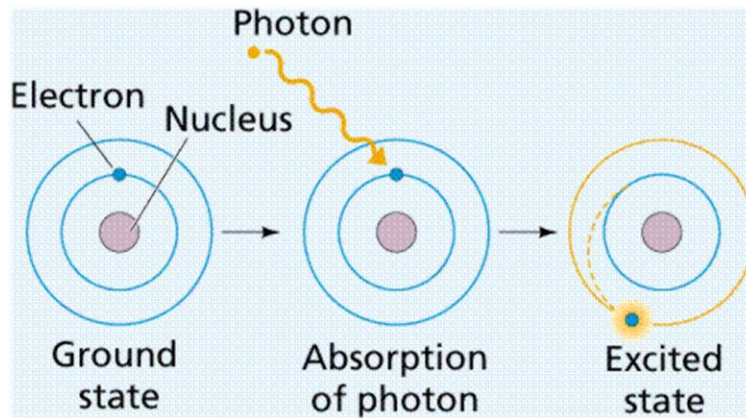
Copper (Cu)



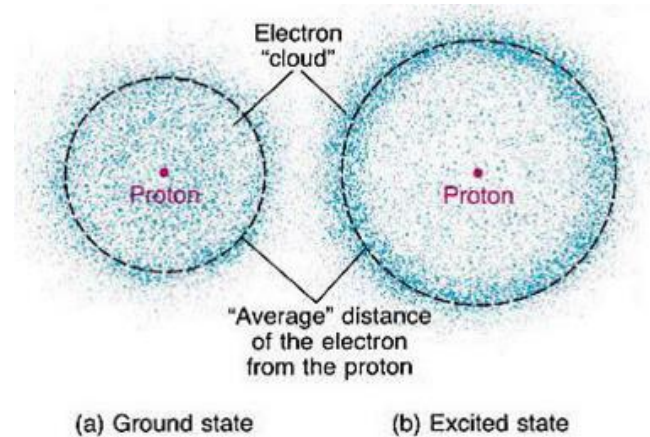
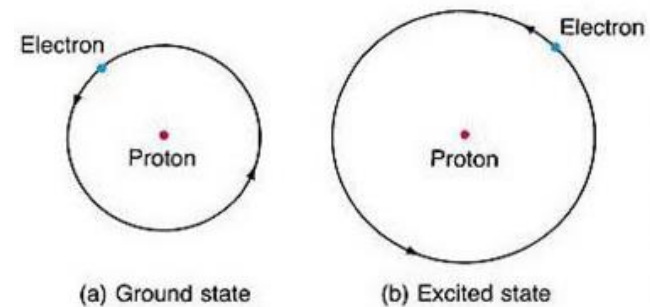
- Cu has 29 electrons in 4 shells
- The valence shell has 1 electrons.
- Single valence electron makes copper a good conductor.

Excited state of electron

Hydrogen atom



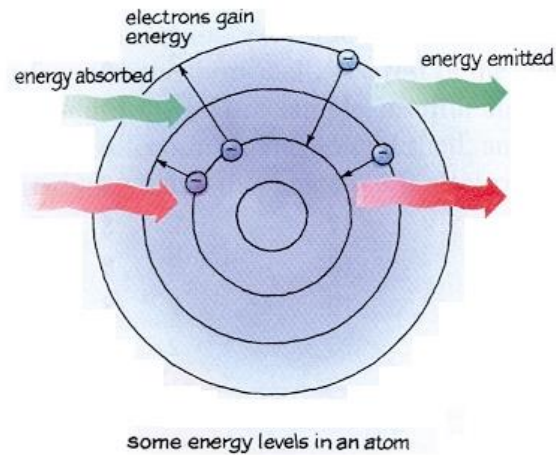
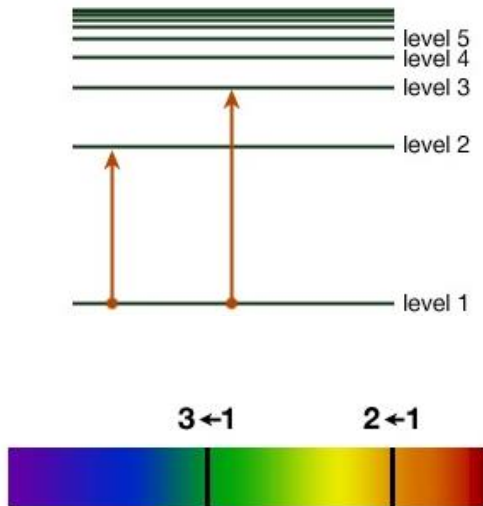
Early concept



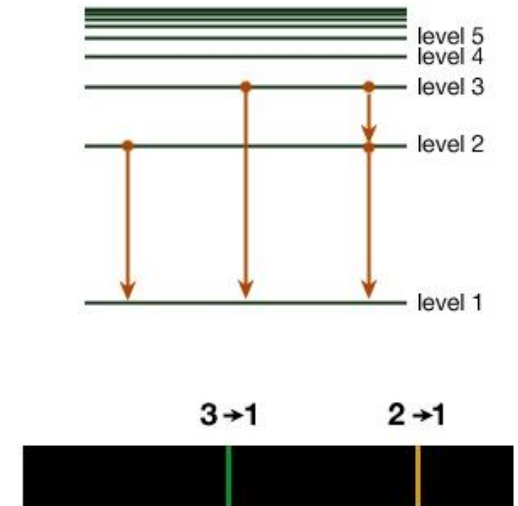
Modern concept

Absorption and emission

Absorption



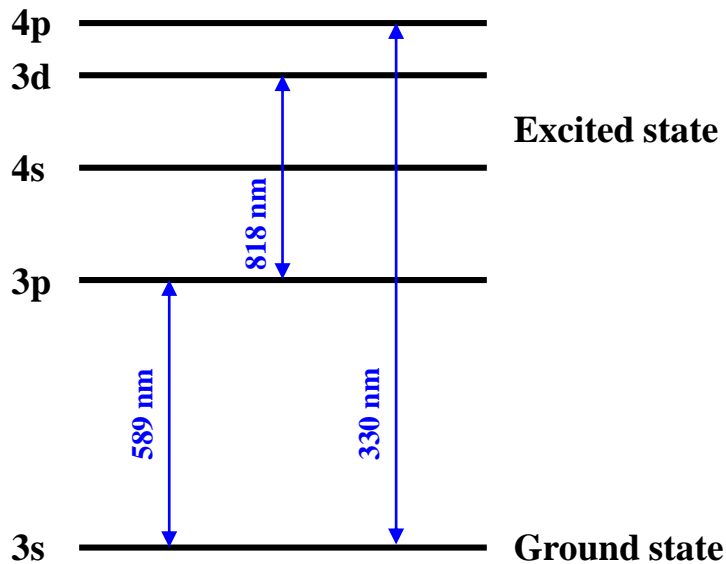
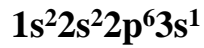
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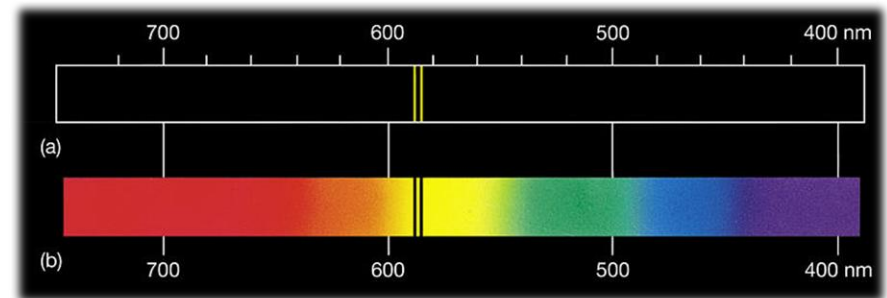
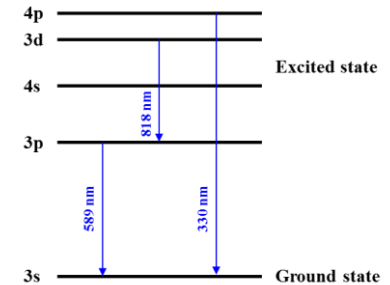
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Example of spectrums: atom

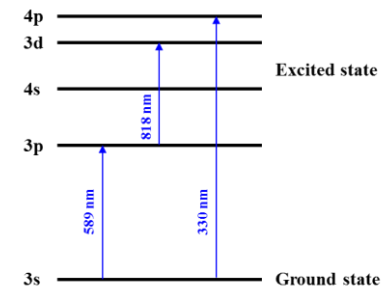
Natrium (Na)



Emission spectrum



Absorption spectrum



Example of spectrums: atom

Hydrogen



Helium



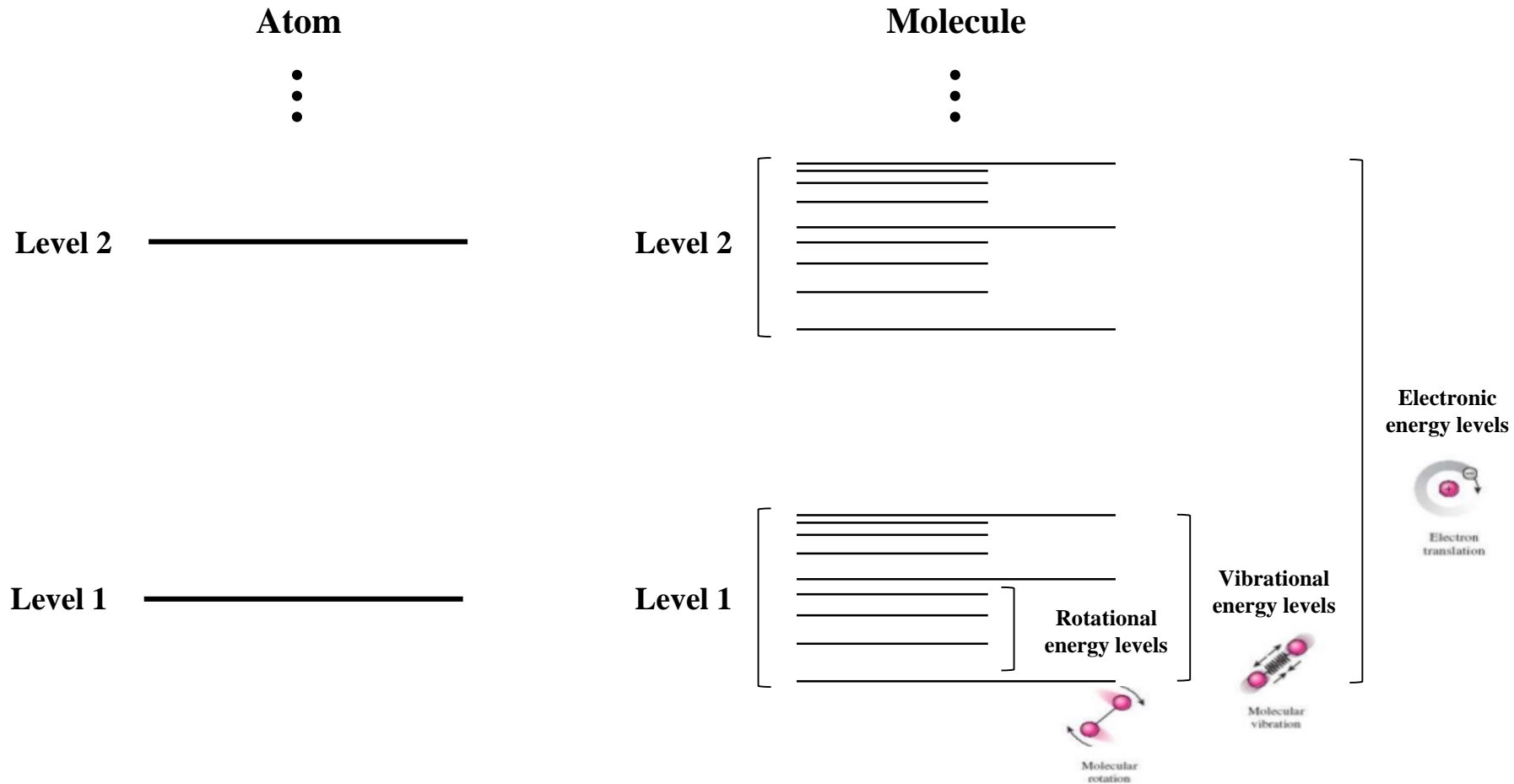
Carbon



Oxygen

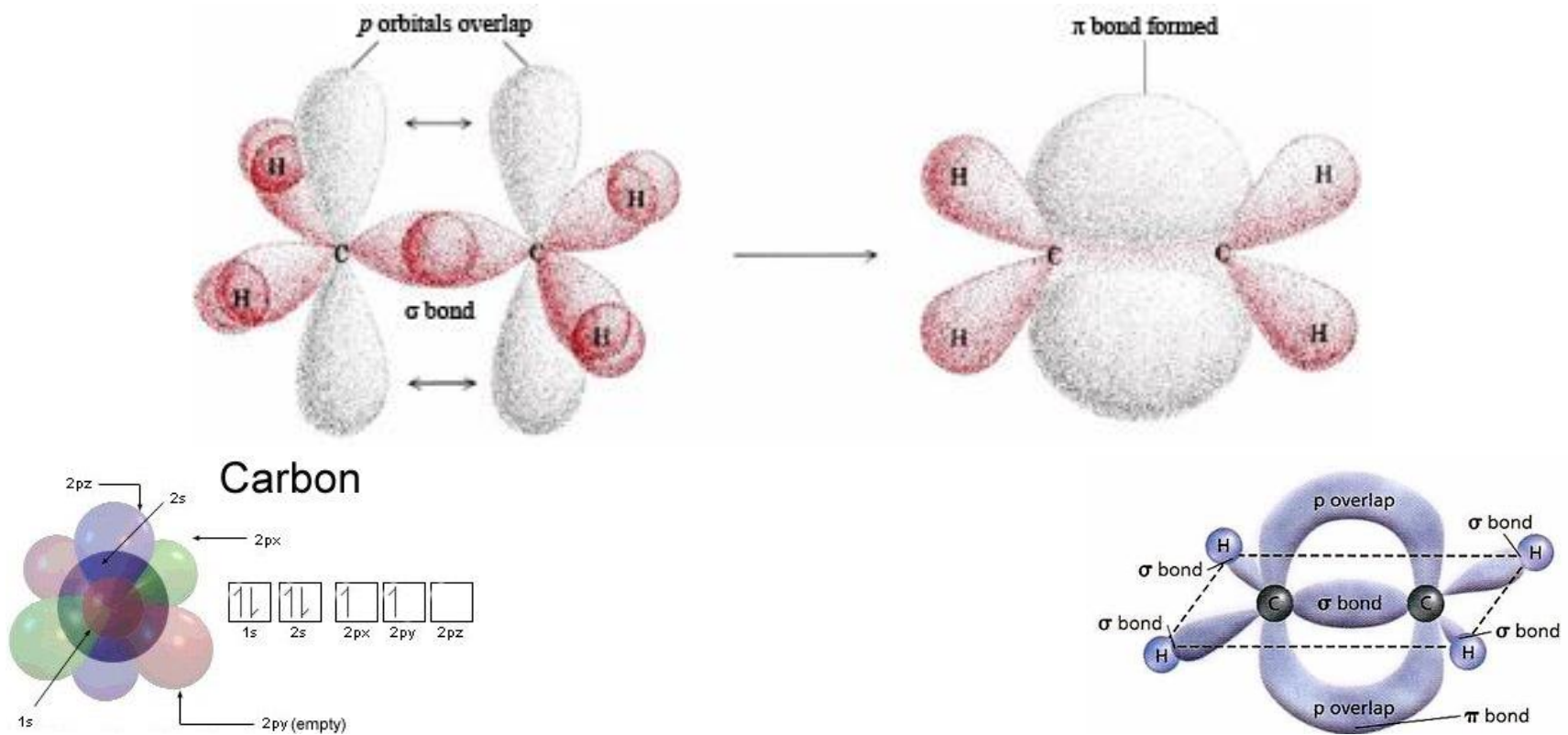


Energy levels: atom vs. molecule



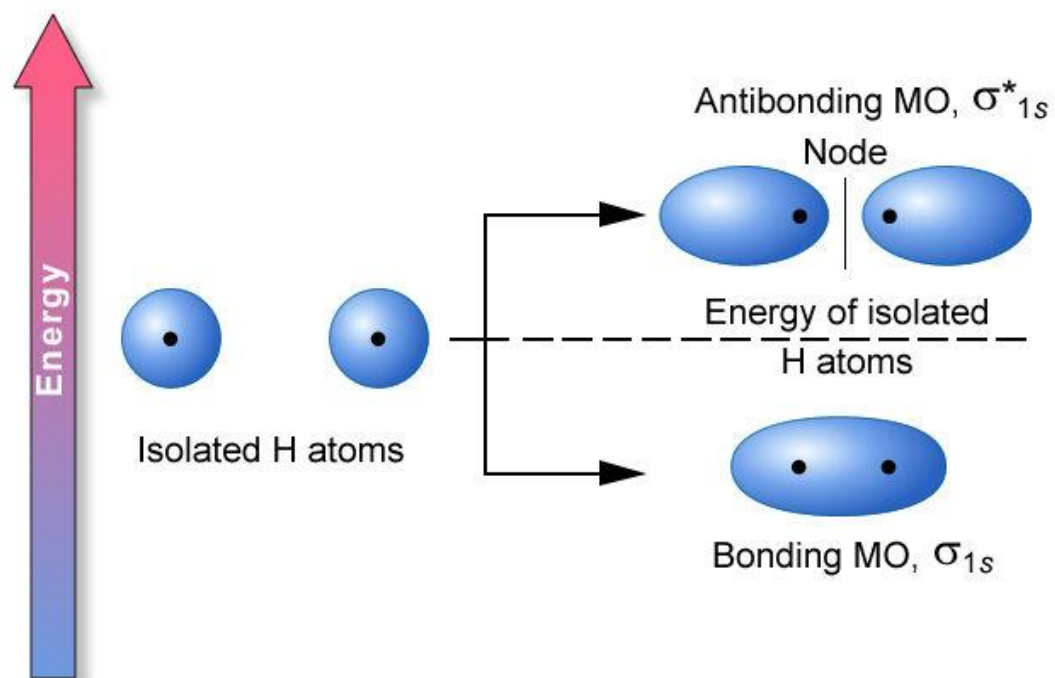
Electronic energy levels: molecule

Molecular orbital (MO) of ethene



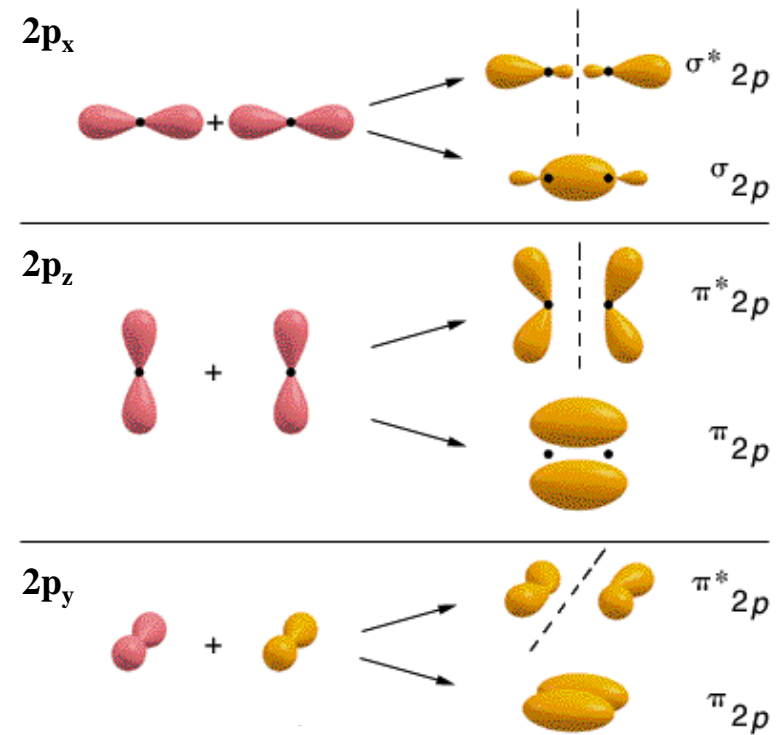
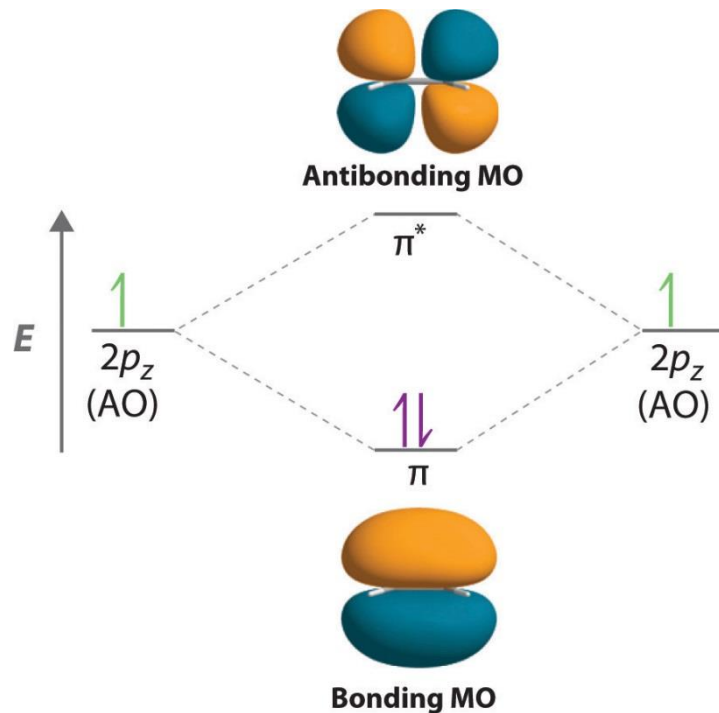
Electronic energy levels: molecule

Molecular orbital (MO) of s orbitals



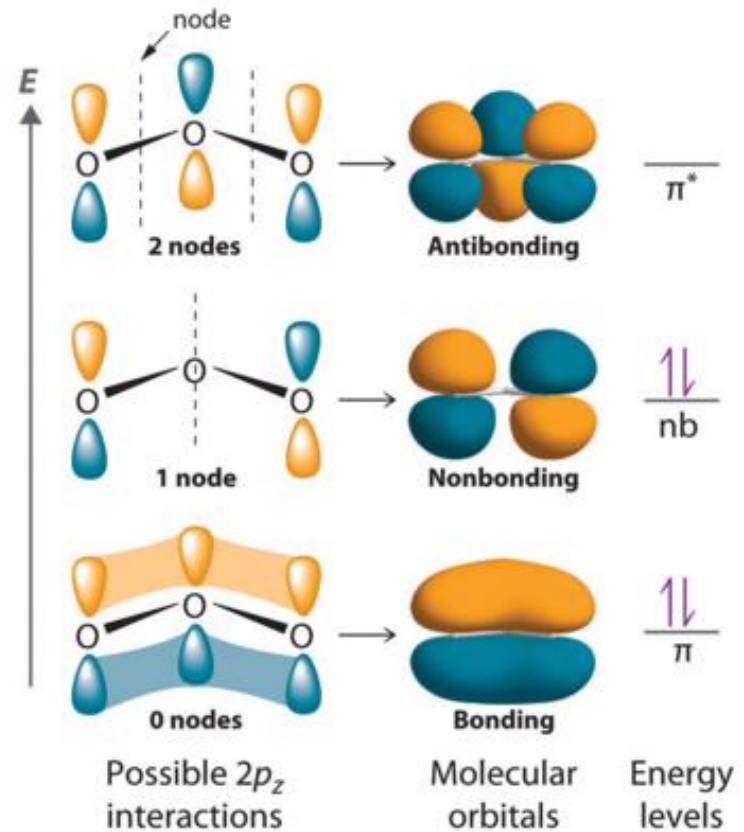
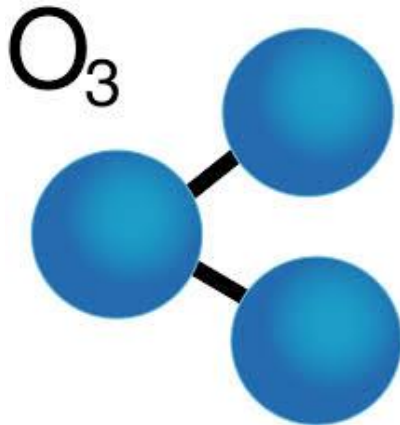
Electronic energy levels: molecule

Molecular orbital (MO) of p orbitals



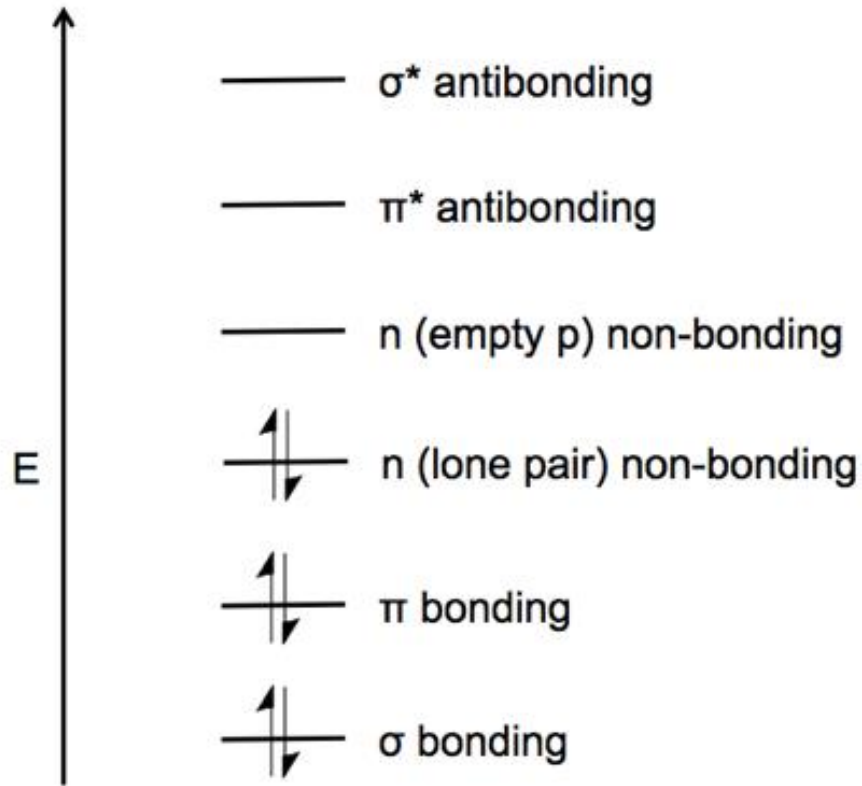
Electronic energy levels: molecule

Molecular orbital (MO) of p orbitals



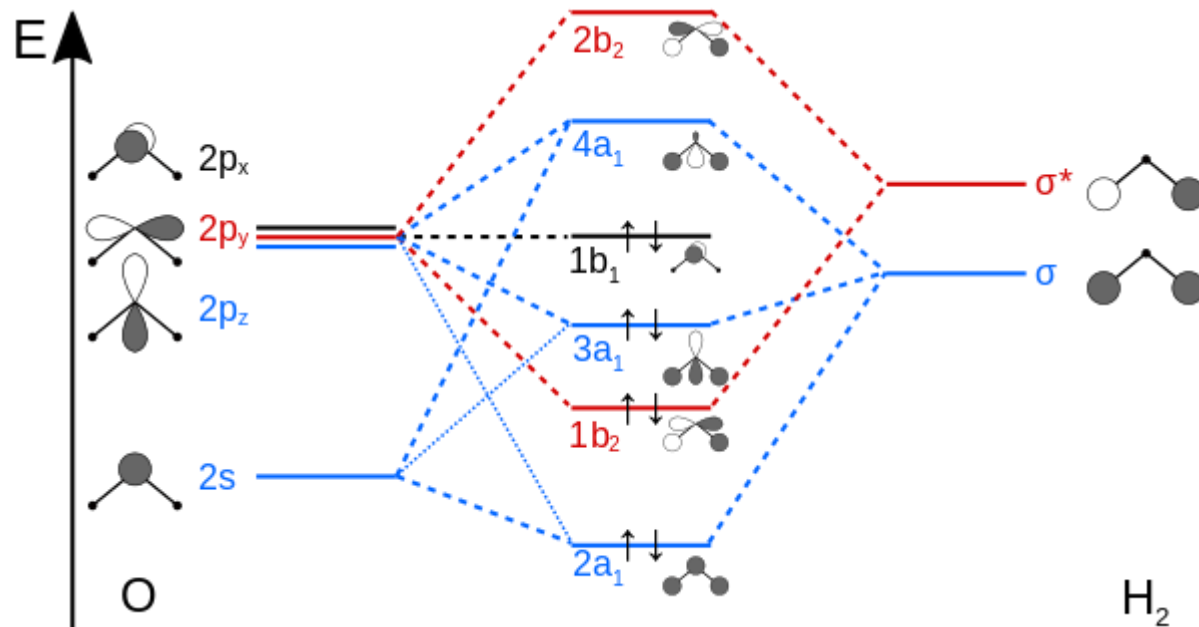
Electronic energy levels: molecule

Bonding, antibonding, nonbonding in molecular orbital (MO)



Electronic energy levels: molecule (example)

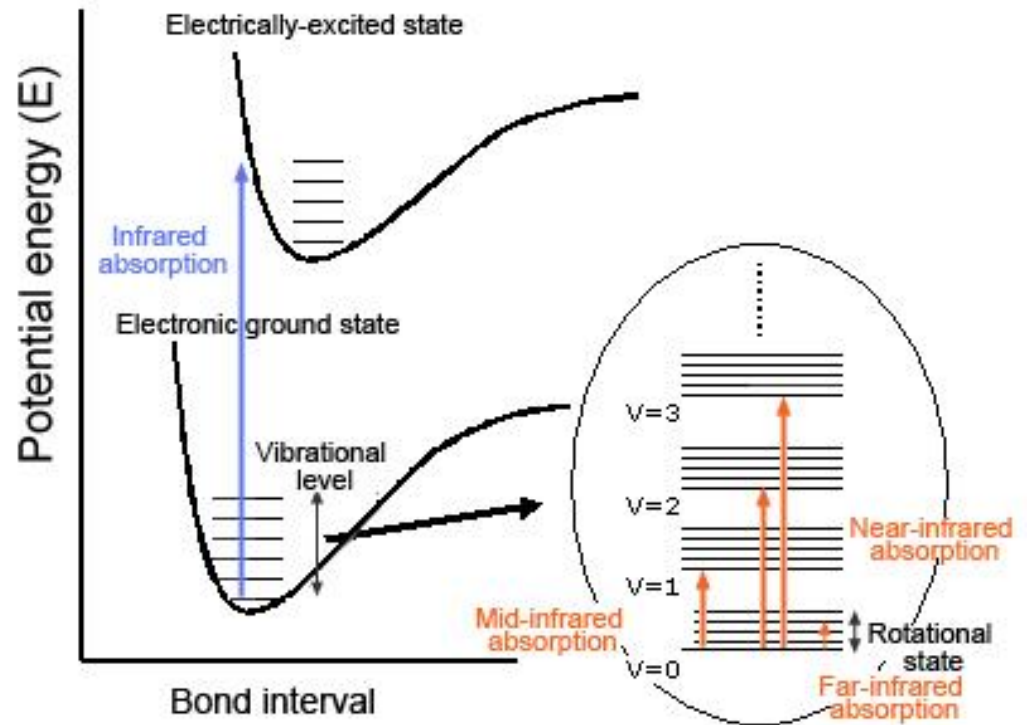
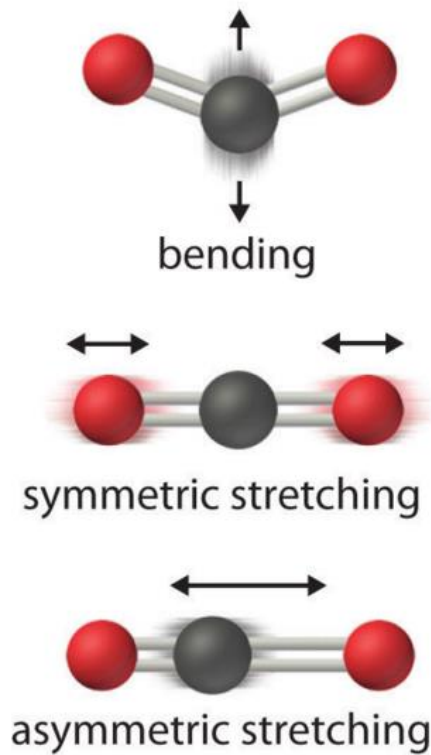
Atomic orbital (AO) of oxygen + Molecular orbital (MO) of hydrogen = water (H_2O)



- $2a_1$ MO: oxygen $2s$ AO + hydrogen σ MO
- $1b_2$ MO: oxygen $2p_y$ AO + hydrogen σ^* MO
- $3a_1$ MO: oxygen $2p_z$ AO + hydrogen σ MO
- $1b_1$ (nonbonding MO): oxygen $2p_x$ AO

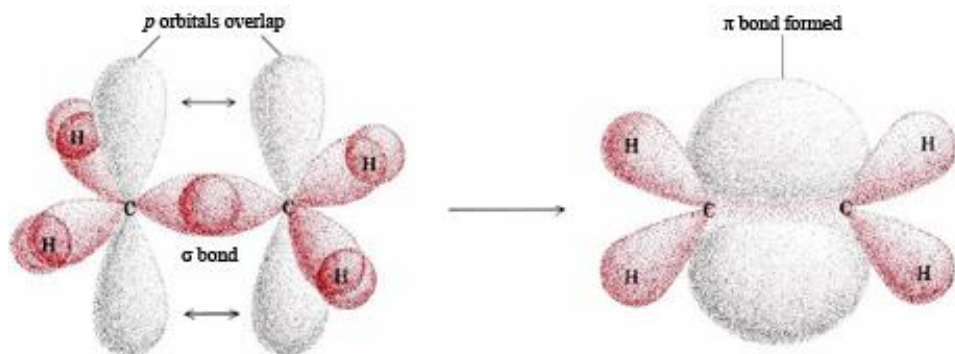
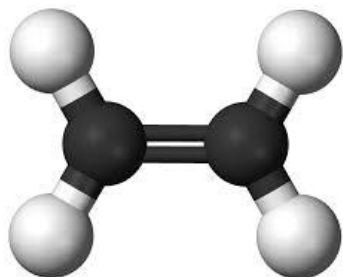
Vibrational energy levels: molecule

Vibrational motions

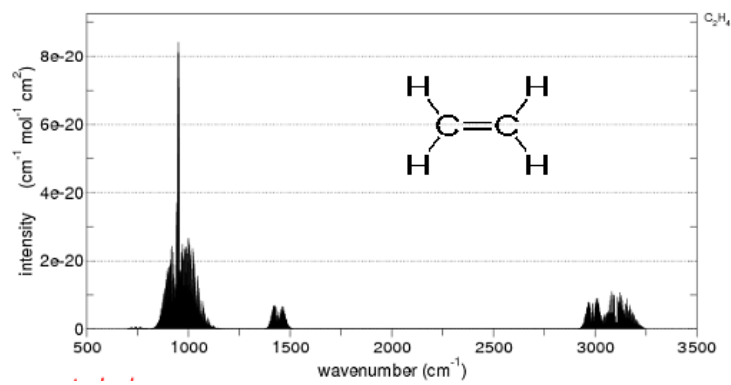


Example of spectrums: molecule

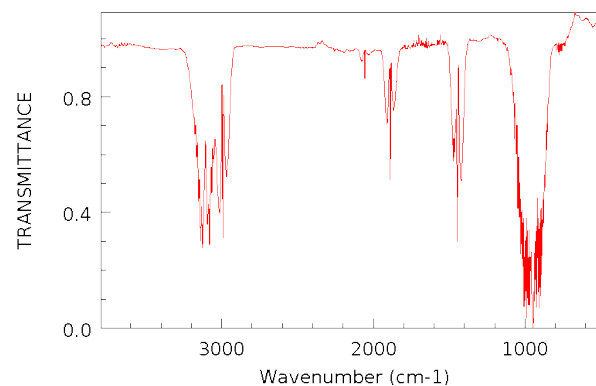
Ethene (C_2H_4)



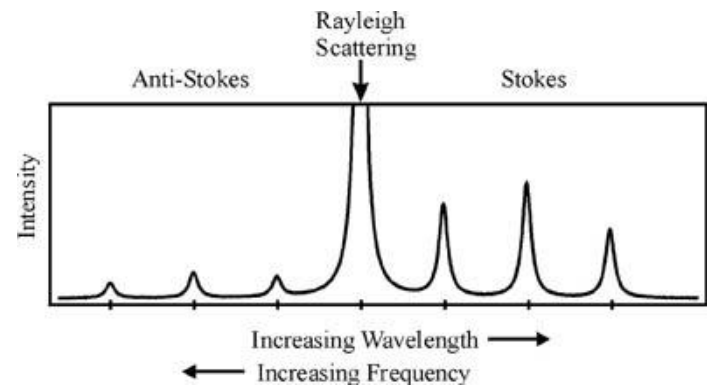
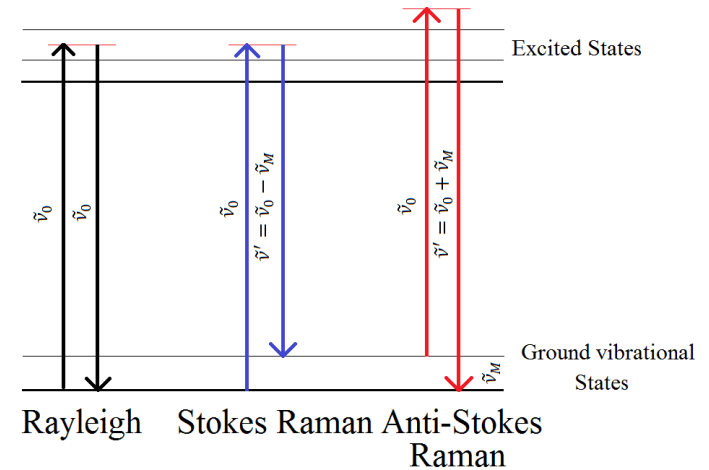
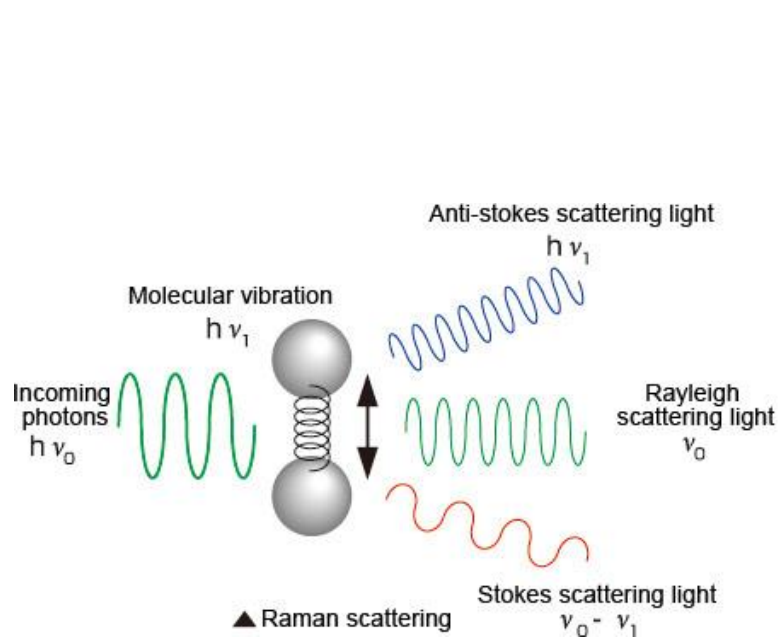
Theoretical spectrum of C_2H_4



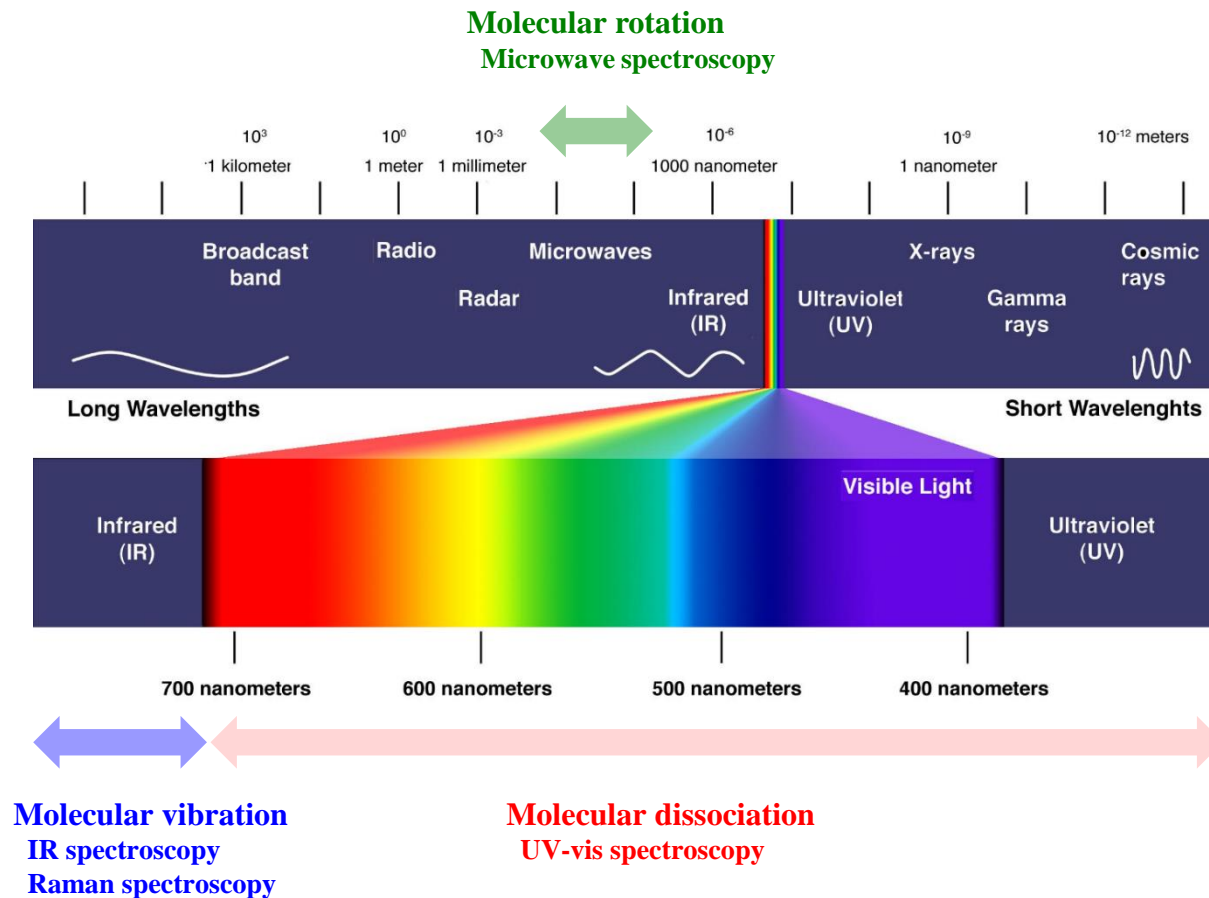
Experimental spectrum of C_2H_4



Example of spectrums: molecule

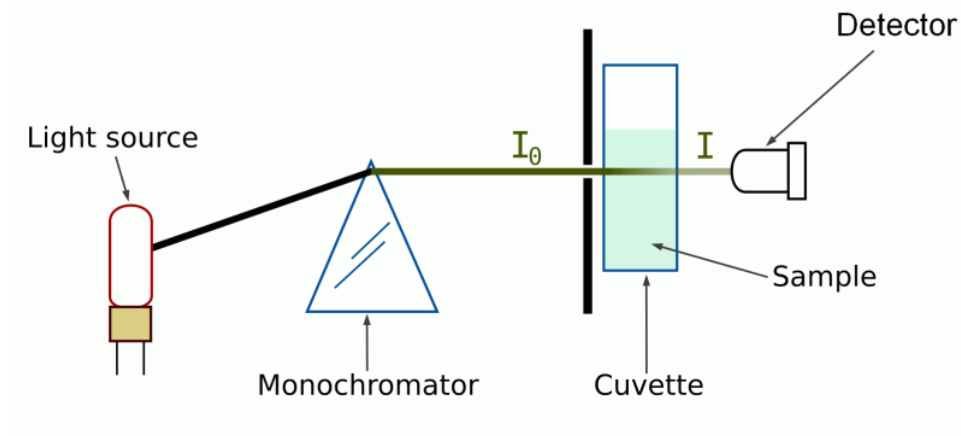


Classification of spectroscopy



Ultraviolet-visible Spectroscopy

Instrument diagram and image



1. Light sources

- UV source: deuterium (D_2) lamp emit radiation in the range of 160 ~ 375 nm.
- Visible source: tungsten (W) filament lamp is commonly employed in the range of 350 ~ 2500 nm.

2. Monochromator (wavelength selector): prism and grating

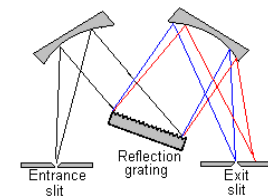
3. Cuvette

- The containers for sample and reference solution must be transparent to the radiation which will pass through them (quartz or fused silica).

4. Detector

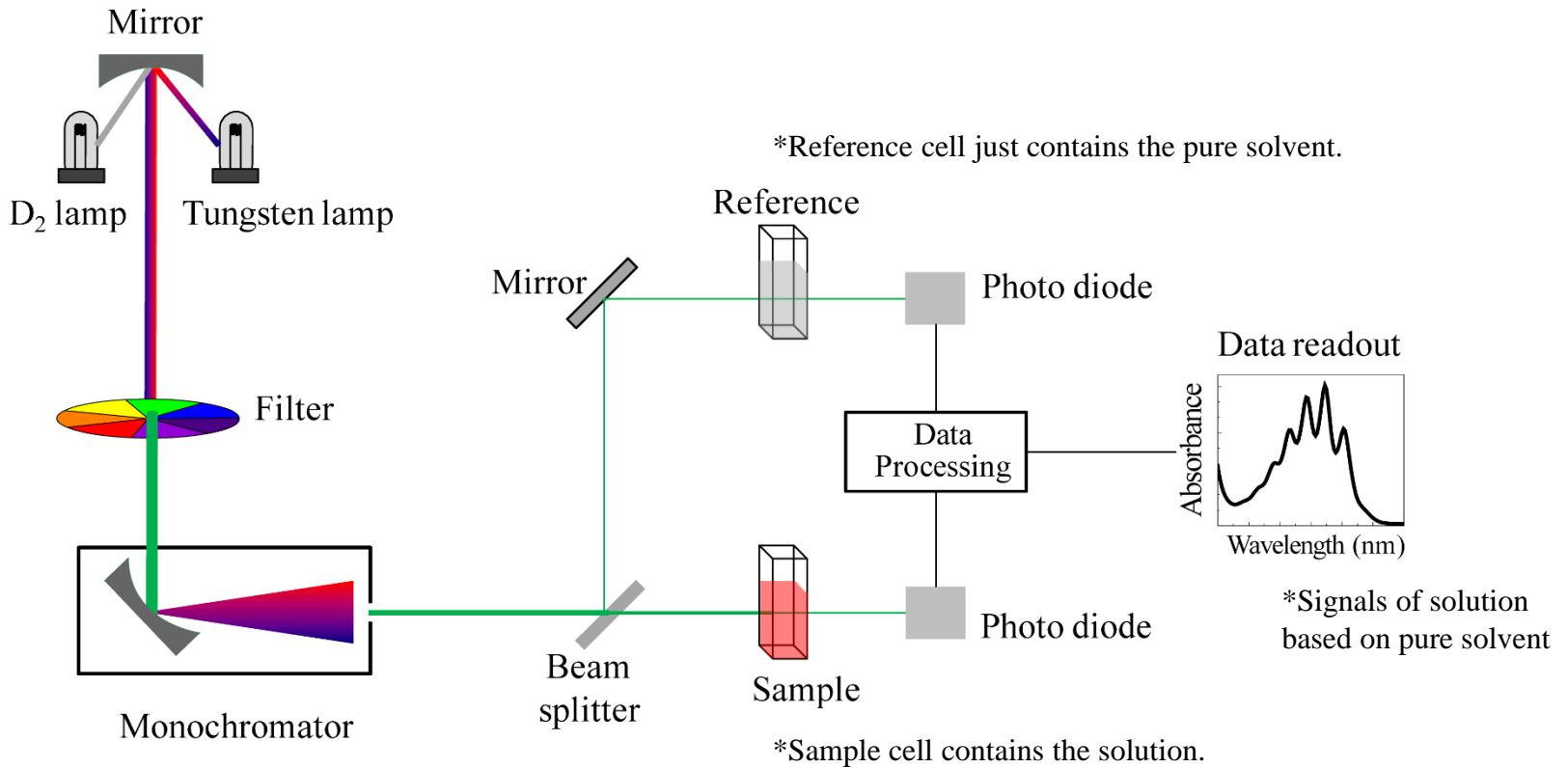
- The photomultiplier tube is a commonly used detector in UV-Vis spectroscopy.

Monochromator
(wavelength selector)

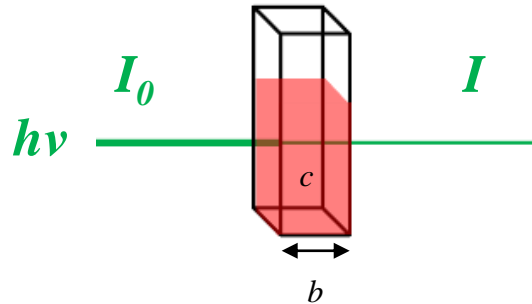


Instrument diagram

Double beam spectrometer

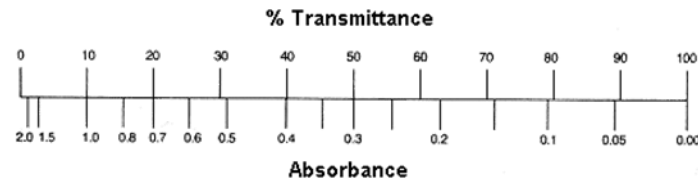


Transmittance and absorbance (Beer-Lambert law)



Transmittance (T): $T = I / I_0$

Absorbance (A): $A = \log_{10} I_0 / I = \log_{10} 1 / T$



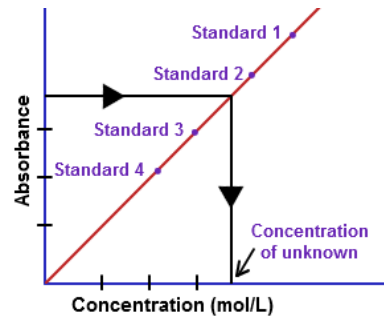
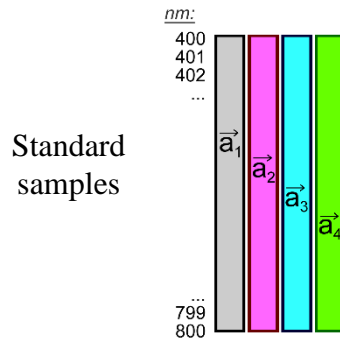
Beer-Lambert law

$$A = \log_{10} I_0 / I = \epsilon bc$$

ϵ : molar absorptivity (L/mol·cm)

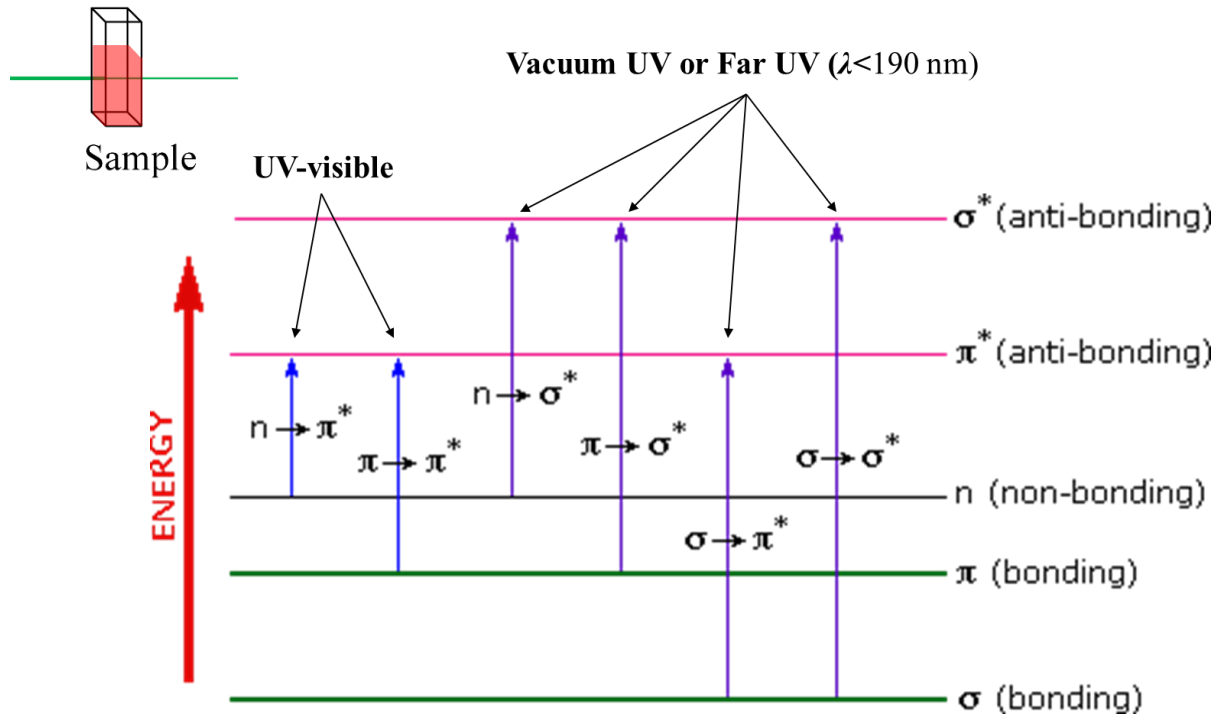
b : path length of the sample (cm)

c : concentration of compound in solution (mol/L)



Unknown sample

Electron transitions of molecular energy level

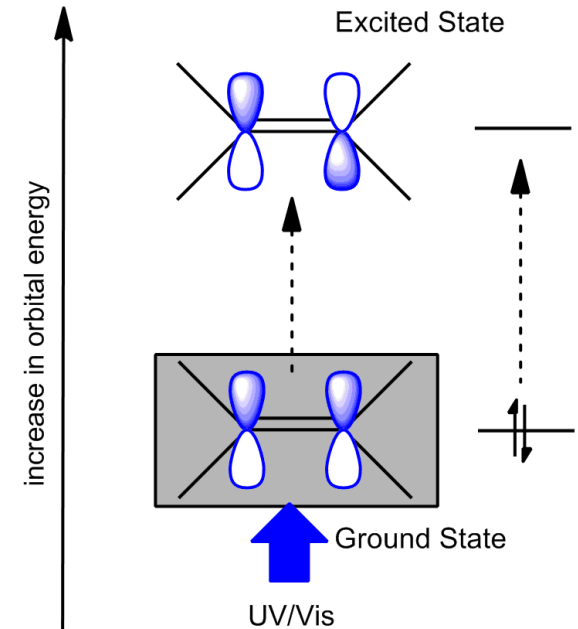


Wavelength

Visible: 400 ~ 750 nm

Ultraviolet (UV): 200 ~ 400 nm

Vacuum UV or Far UV: ~ 200 nm



Electron transitions of molecular energy level

$\sigma \rightarrow \sigma^*$ transitions

1. An electron in a bonding σ orbital is excited to the corresponding antibonding.
2. The required energies to these transitions are very large.
3. Methane shows an absorbance maximum at 125 nm which is not seen in typical UV-visible spectra.

$n \rightarrow \sigma^*$ transitions

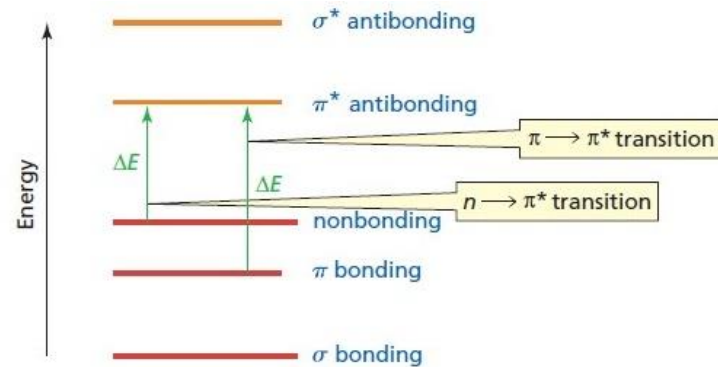
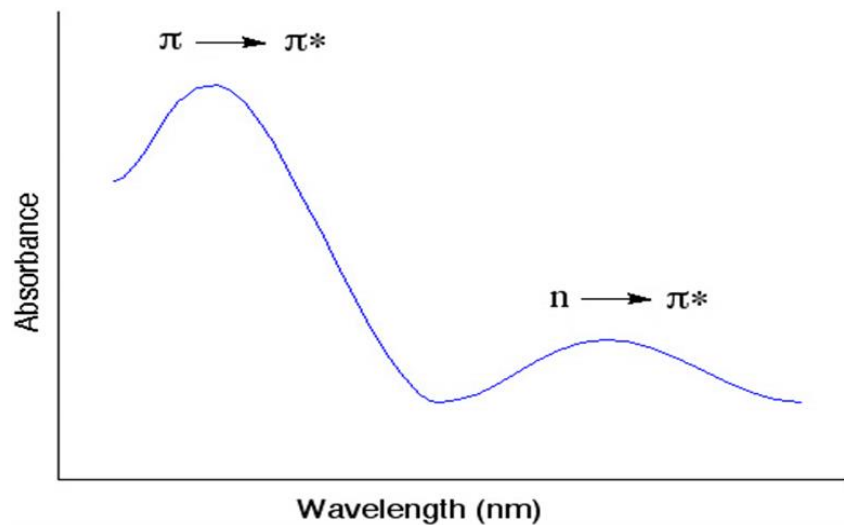
1. Saturated compounds containing atoms with lone pairs (nonbonding) are capable for these transitions.
2. These transitions usually need less energy than $\sigma \rightarrow \sigma^*$ transitions.
3. They can be initiated by light whose wavelength is in the range of 150 ~ 250 nm.

$n \rightarrow \pi^*$ transitions and $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ transitions

1. Most absorption spectroscopy of organic compounds is based on these transitions.
2. These transitions are belong to an experimentally convenient region of the wavelength (200 ~ 700 nm).
3. These transitions need an unsaturated group in the molecule to provide the π electrons.

UV-visible spectroscopy analysis

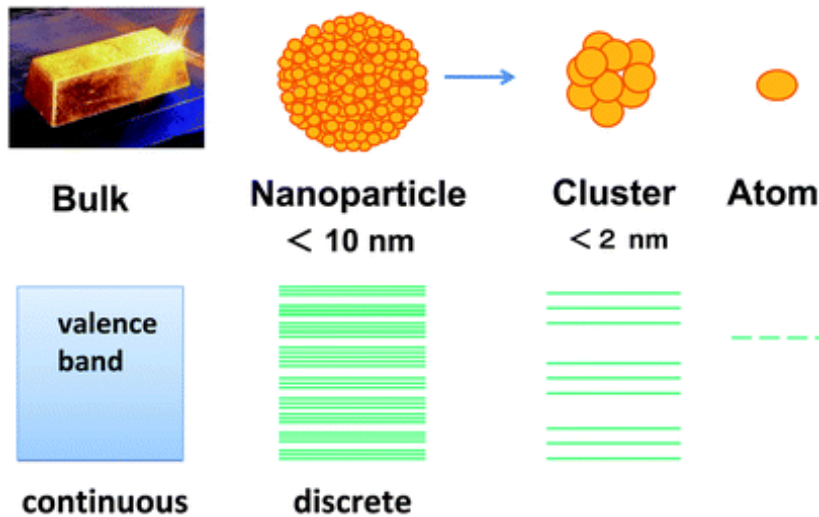
Typical absorbance spectra of carbonyl group



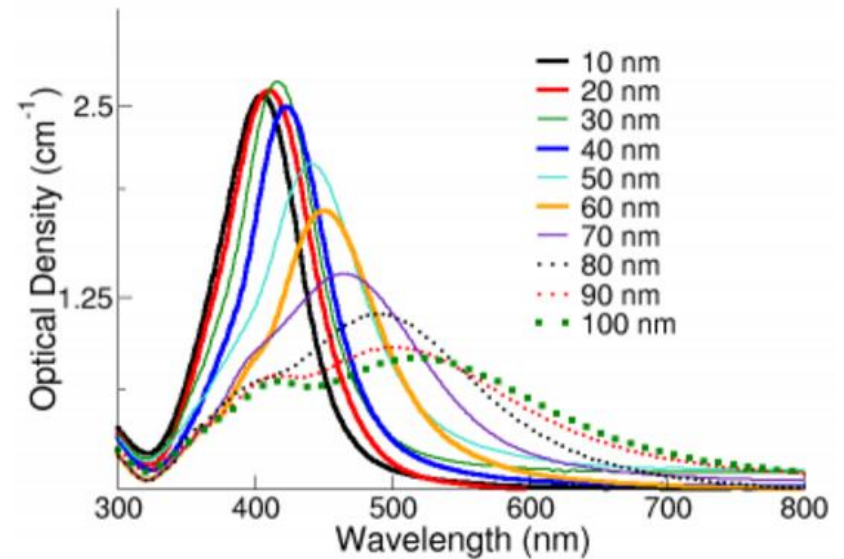
Functional group	λ_{max} (nm)	
	strong $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$	weak $n \rightarrow \pi^*$
C=O	166	280
C=C-C=O	240	320
C=C-C=C-C=O	270	350

UV-visible spectroscopy analysis in nanotechnology

Energy levels
(dimension dependency)

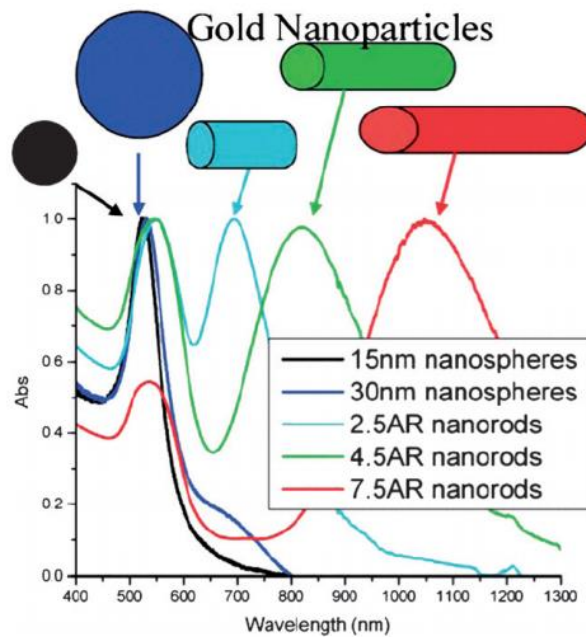


UV-visible spectrum
(size dependent on Ag nanoparticles)

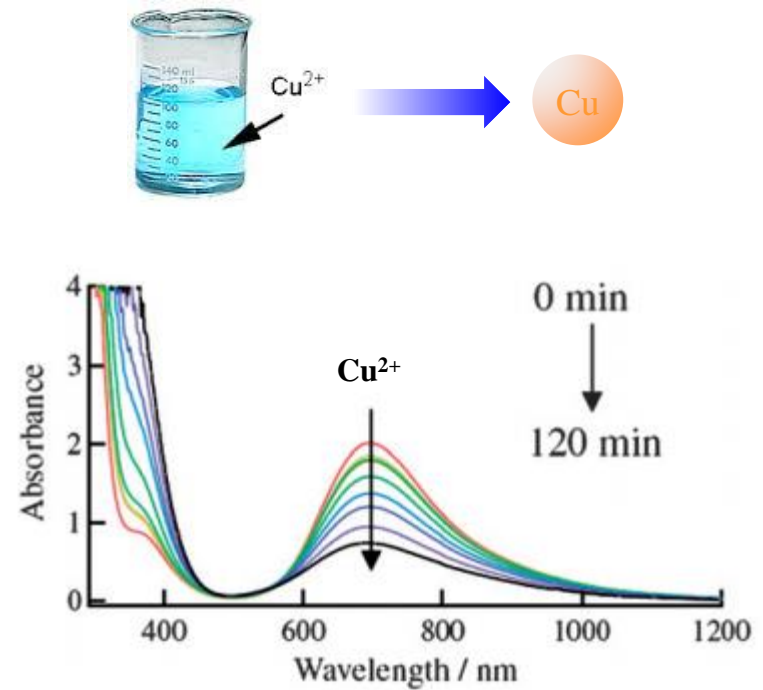


UV-visible spectroscopy analysis in nanotechnology

UV-visible spectrum
(shape dependent on Au nanomaterials)

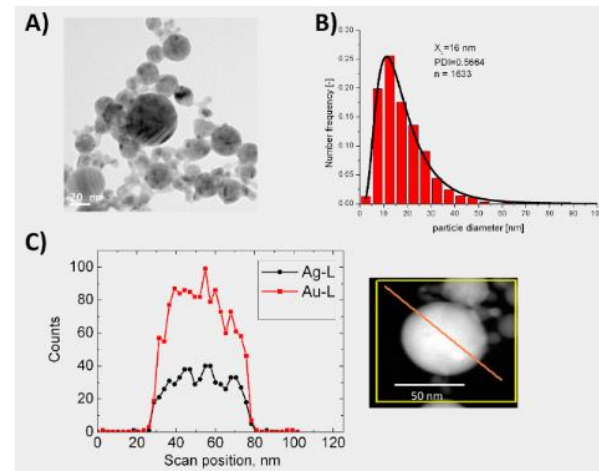
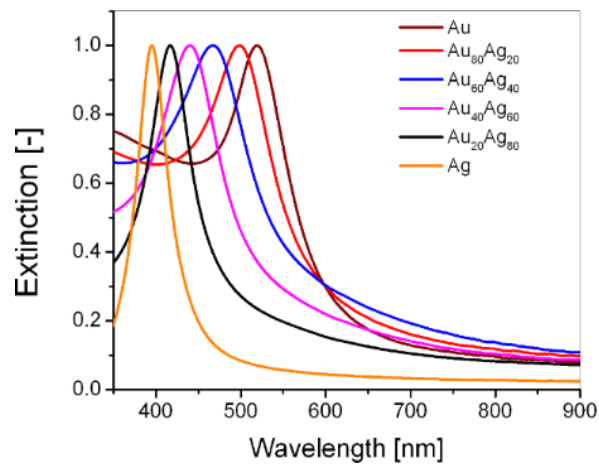


UV-visible spectrum
(time dependent on Cu^{2+} reduction)



UV-visible spectroscopy analysis in nanotechnology

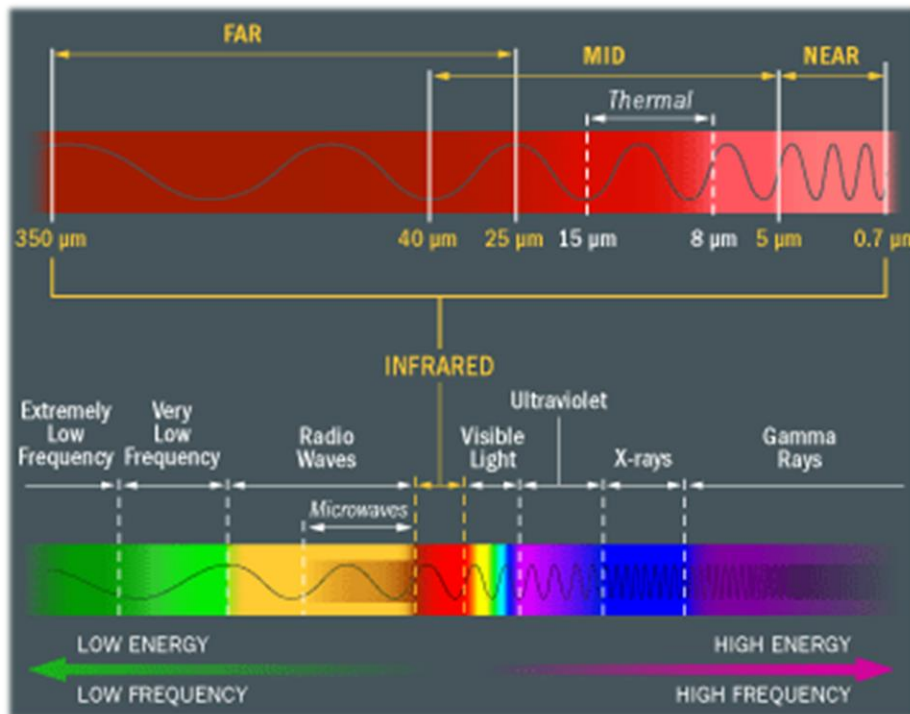
Compositional analysis on AuAg alloy nanoparticles



Infrared Spectroscopy

What is infrared (IR)?

Classification of IR spectrum depending on wavelength



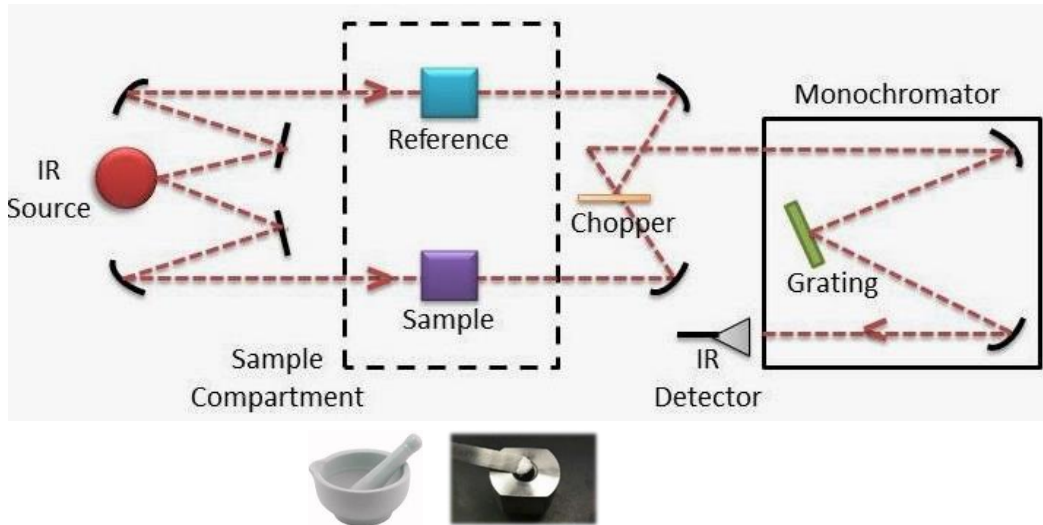
Wavelength range (λ)

- Near-IR (NIR): (0.7 ~ 1) to 5 μm
- Middle-IR (MIR): 5 to (25 ~ 40) μm
- Far-IR (FIR): (25 ~ 40) to (200 ~ 350) μm



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Instrument diagram and image



1. Light source

- Infrared (IR) source: Nernst lamp (ZrO_2 , CeO_2 , ThO_2) or Globar lamp (SiC)

2. Sample

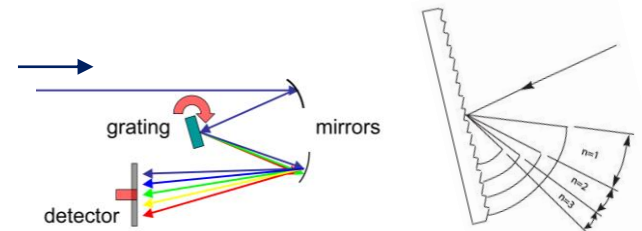
- Powder samples are generally used in IR spectroscopy.

3. Monochromator (wavelength selector)

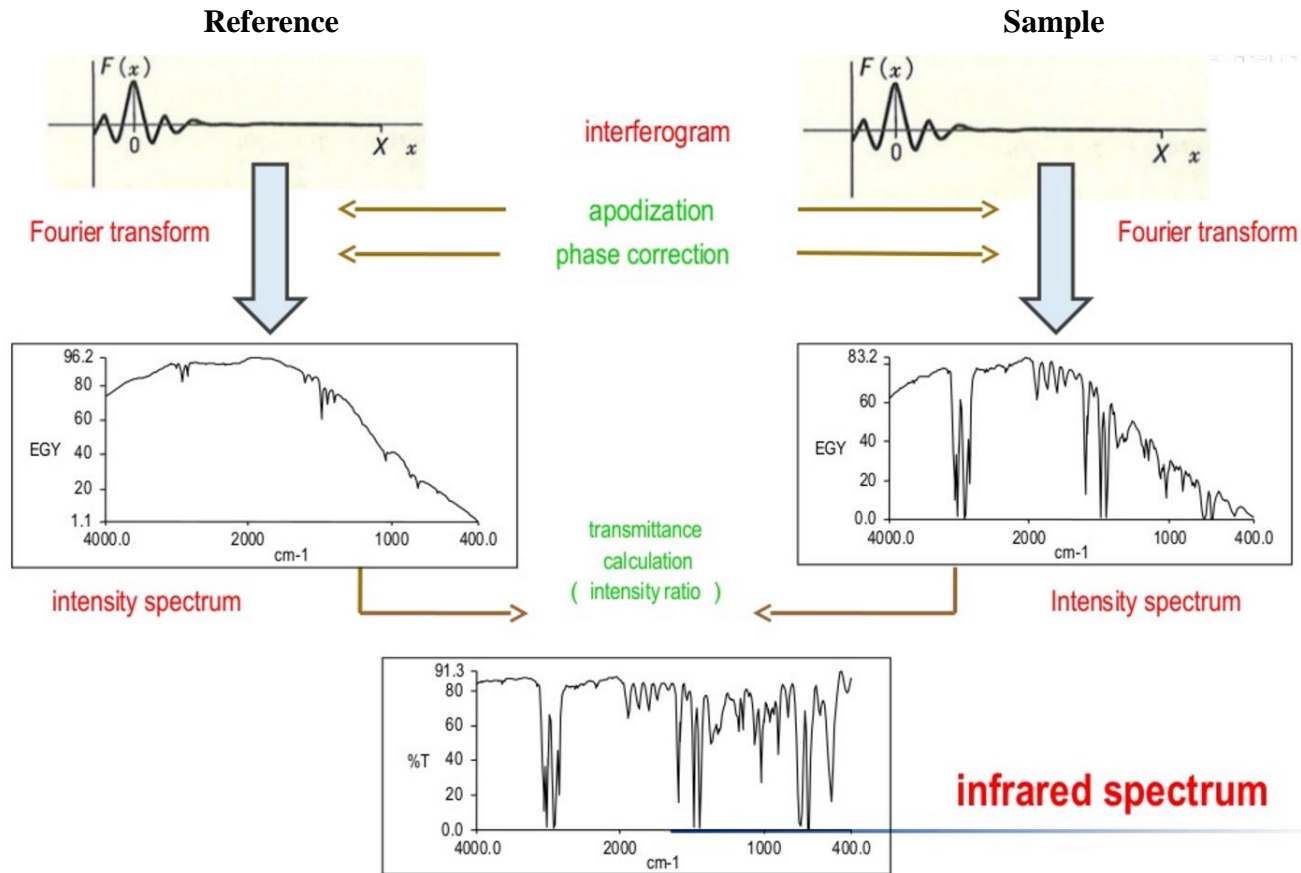
- Prism: NaCl ($670 \sim 4000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$), KBr ($250 \sim 670 \text{ cm}^{-1}$), LiF ($2000 \sim 10000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$)
- Blazed grating: a special type of diffraction grating

4. Detector

- Thermocouple, pyroelectric (triglycine sulfate) and photoconductive (PbS , CdTe , InSb) detectors are commonly used in IR spectroscopy.



Signal processing (Fourier Transform)

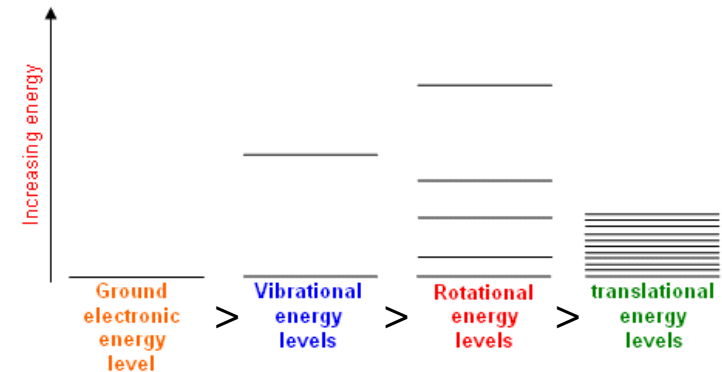
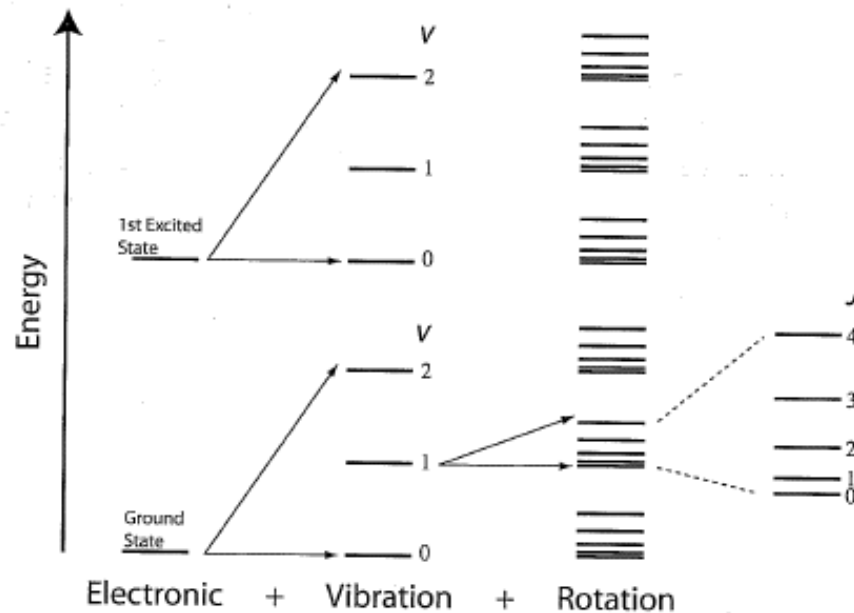


[<http://www.slideshare.net/muttaqinpapasafira/principles-of-ftir>]

Molecular energy

Molecular energy

$$E = E_{\text{electronic}} + E_{\text{vibration}} + E_{\text{rotation}} + E_{\text{translation}}$$



Electronic

Electron moving between electron shells

Vibrational

Stretching and compressing of the bond lengths and bond angles

Rotational

spinning around

Translational

moving of the whole particle from one place to another

Hooke's law

Robert Hooke (1635 ~ 1703)



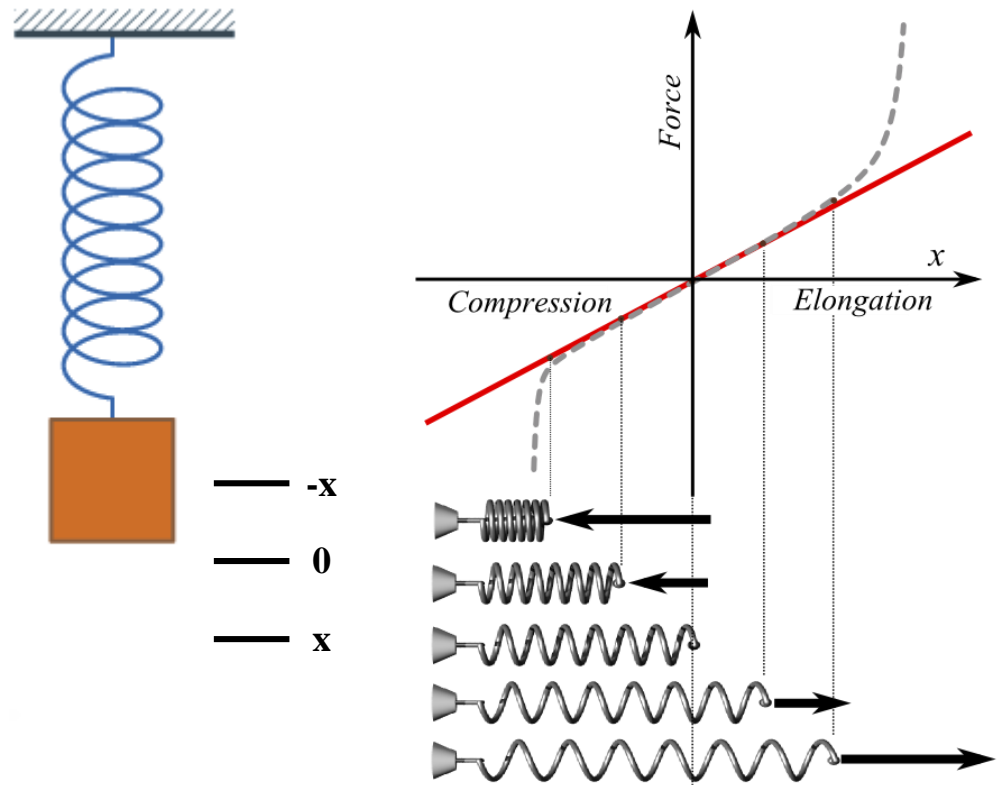
Hooke's law

$$F = -kx$$

F : forces needed to extend or compress a spring

k : spring constant

x : distance



Molecular vibration (Hooke's law)

If the molecular vibration is harmonic oscillator...



$$\nu = \frac{1}{2\pi c} \sqrt{\frac{K}{\mu}}$$

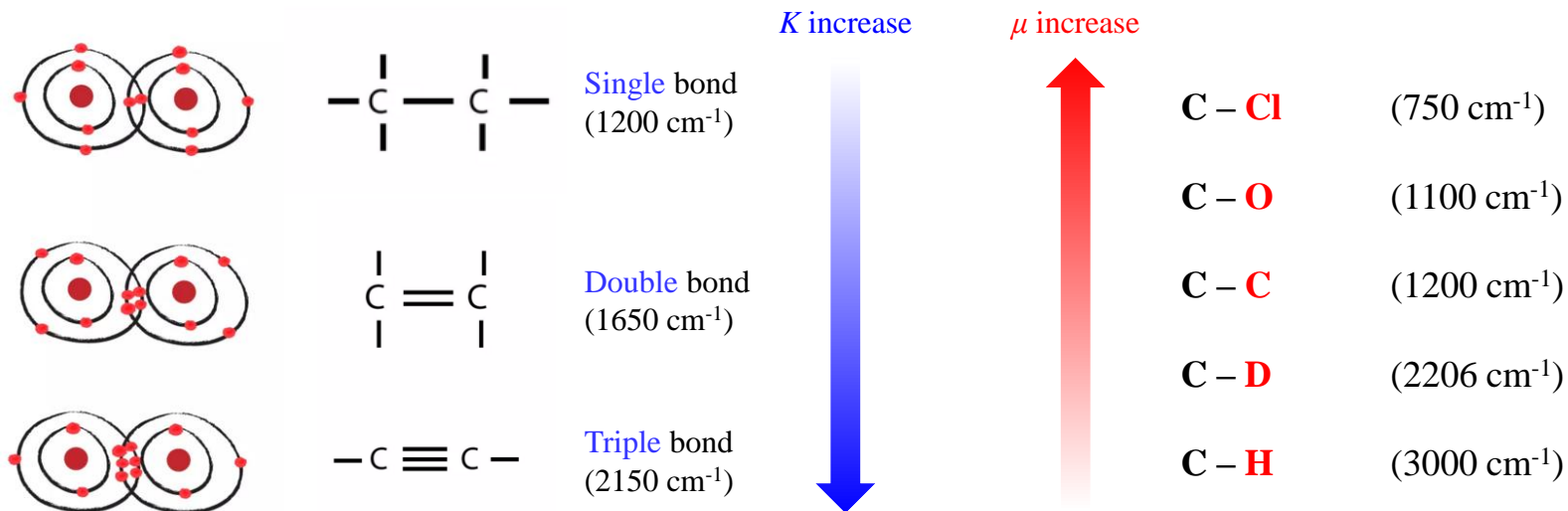
ν : frequency (cm^{-1})

c : light velocity ($3 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm/s}$)

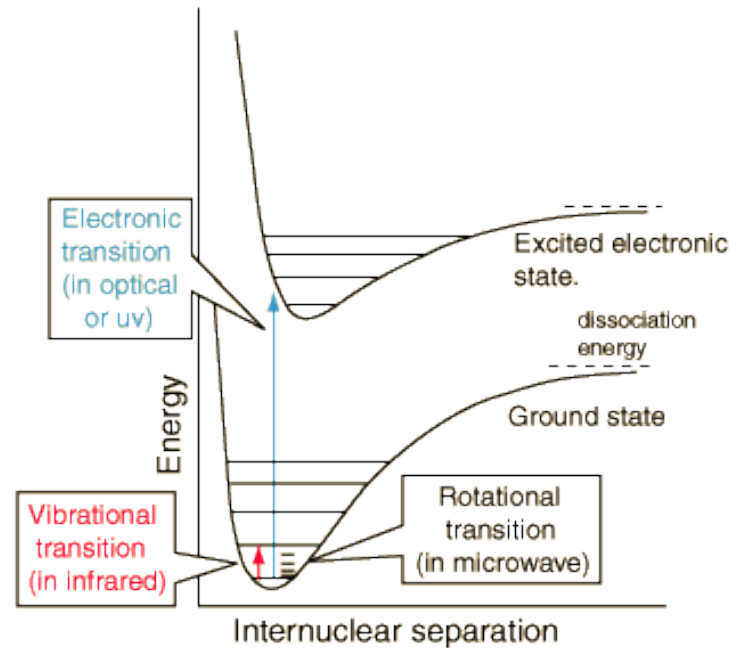
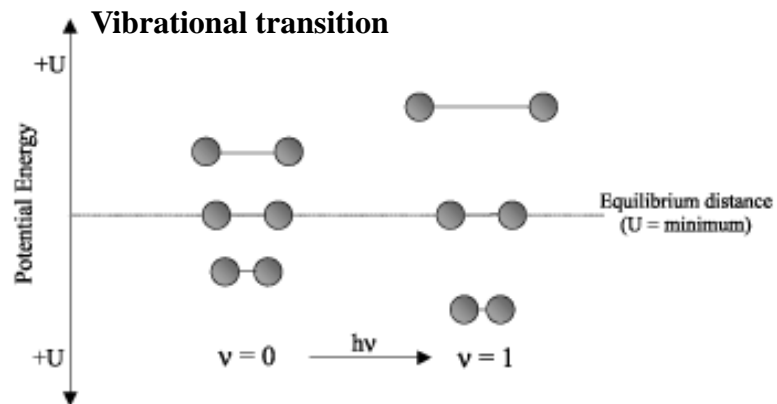
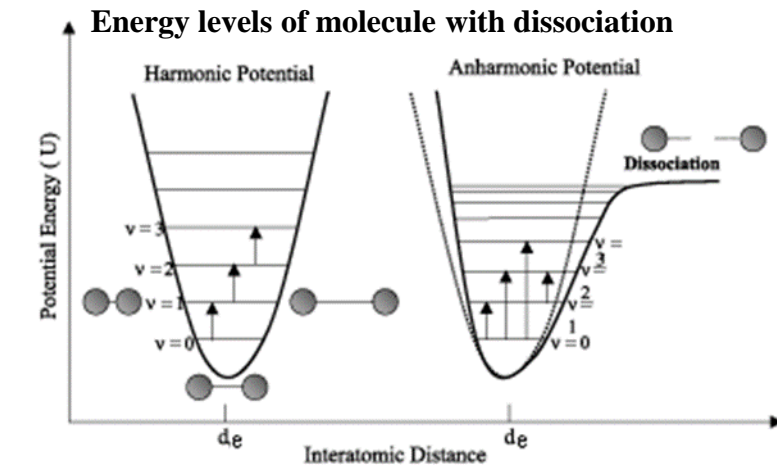
K : force constant (dyne/cm)

m : atomic mass

μ : reduced mass of atoms, $m_1 \cdot m_2 / (m_1 + m_2)$



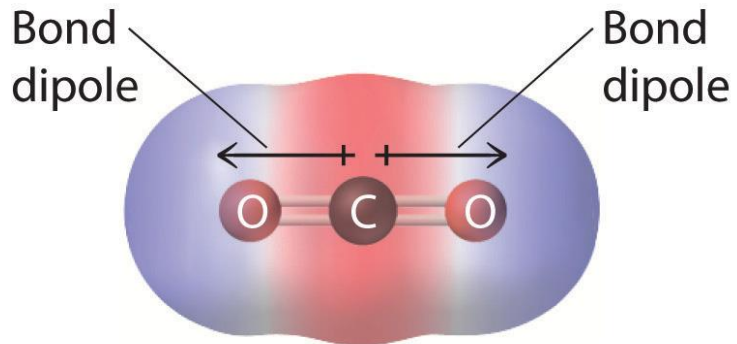
Molecular vibration (energy levels)



Molecular vibration (example)

Net dipole moment

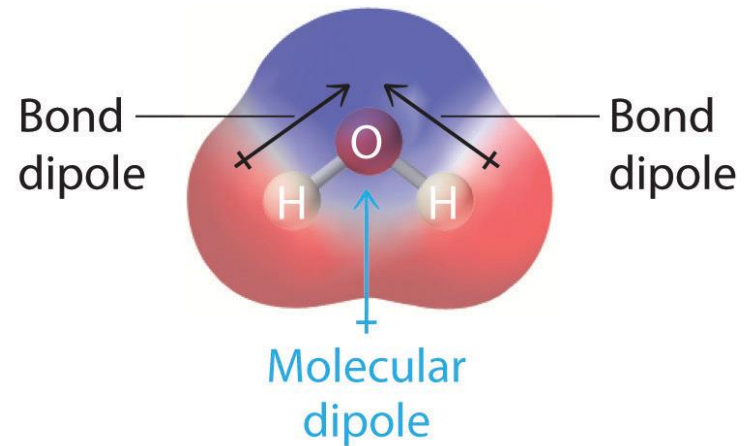
Carbon dioxide (CO_2)



Net dipole moment = 0

IR inactive

Water (H_2O)



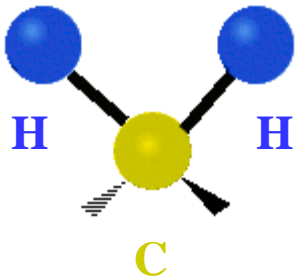
Net dipole moment $\neq 0$

IR active

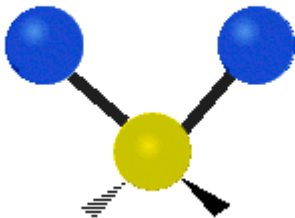
Molecular vibration (example)

Example: vibrations of methylene group (-CH₂-)

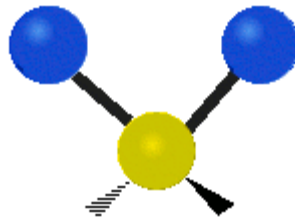
Symmetric Stretching



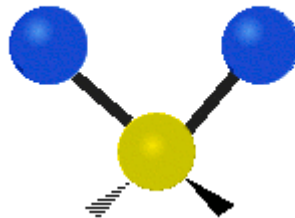
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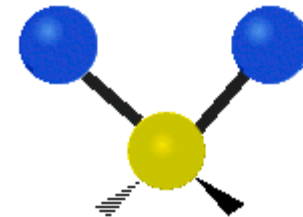
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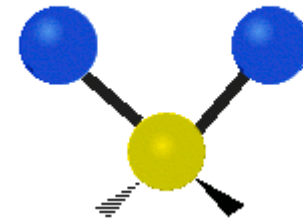
Wagging



Scissoring (bending)



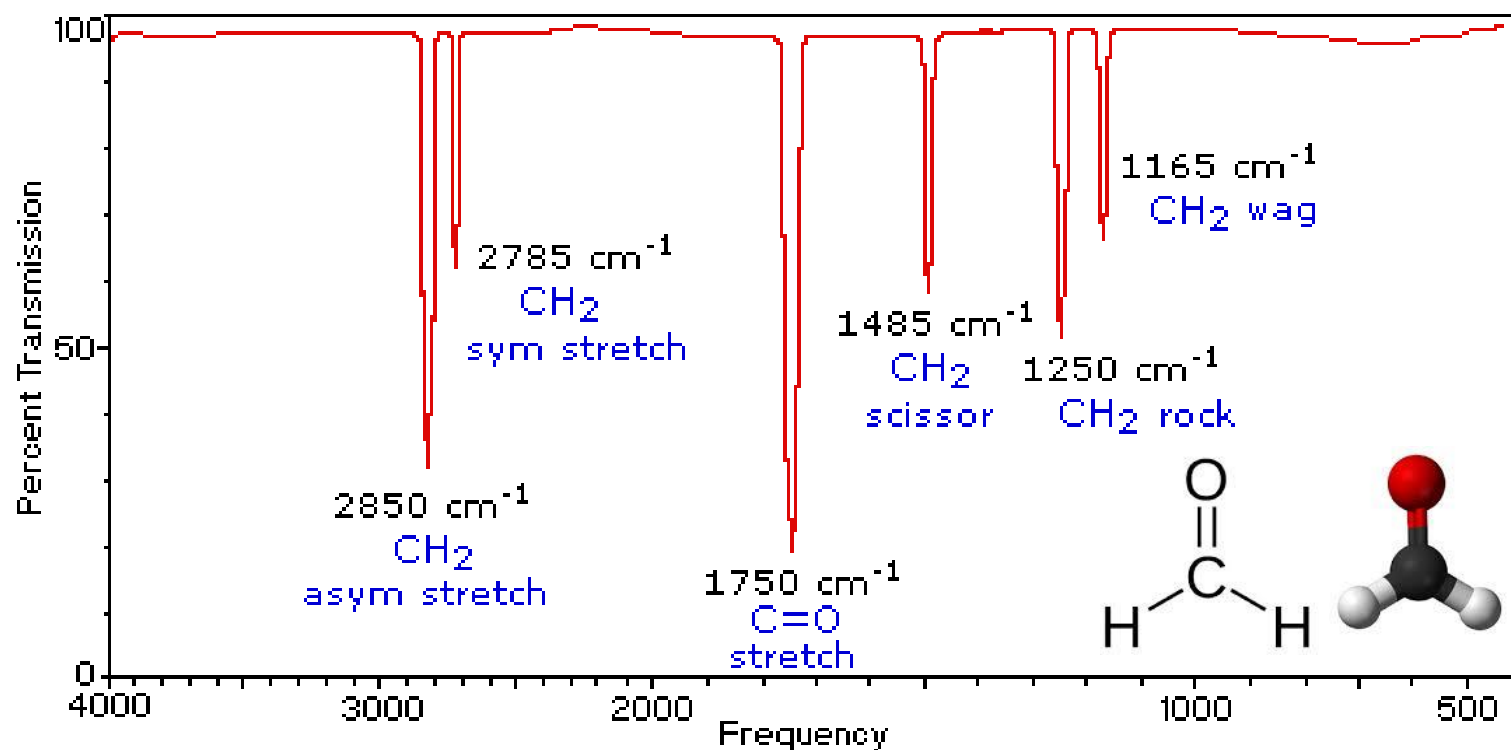
Twisting



[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Molecular_vibration]

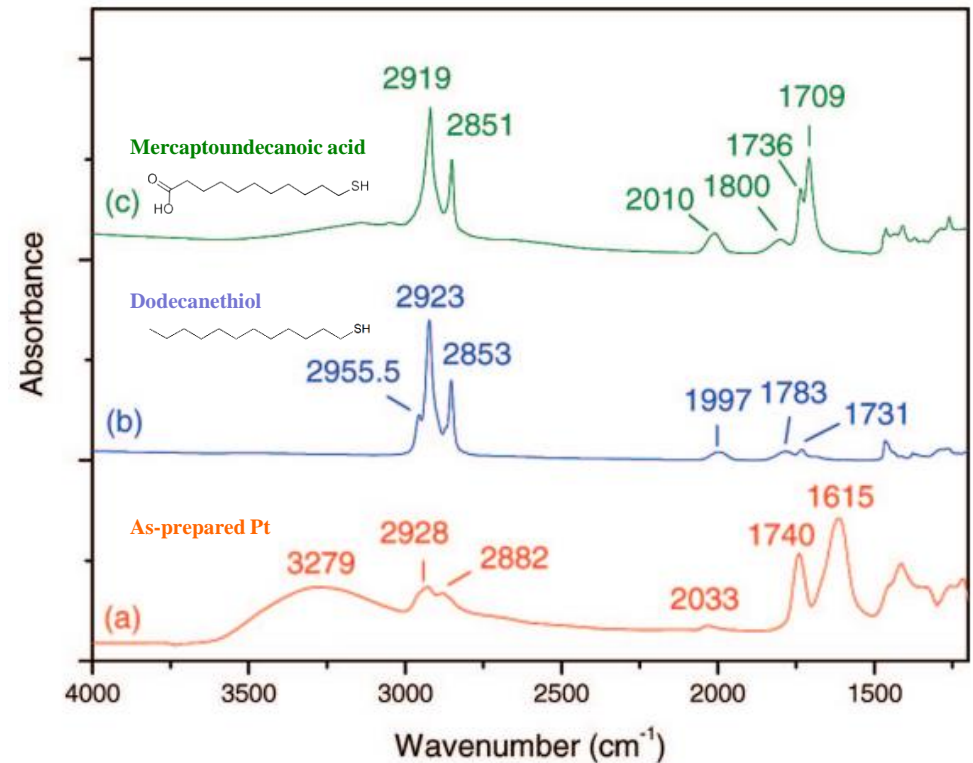
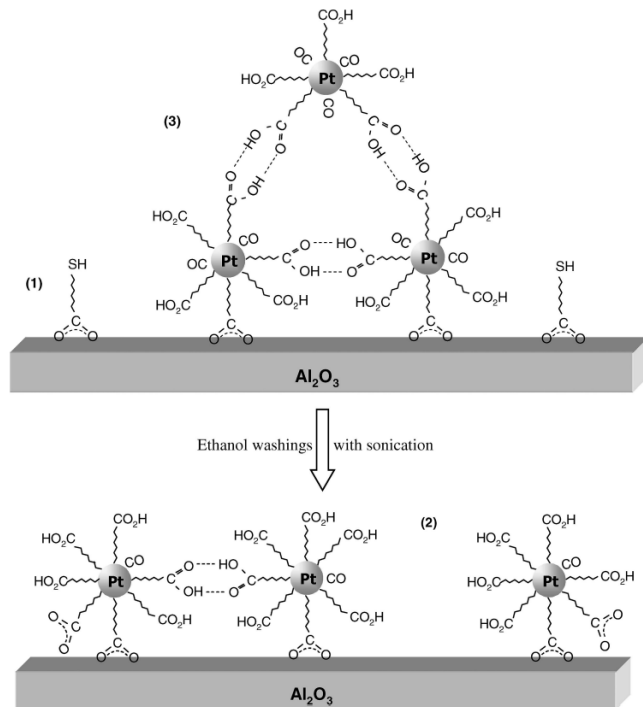
Molecular vibration (example)

Example: Fourier transform-infrared (FT-IR) spectrum of formaldehyde



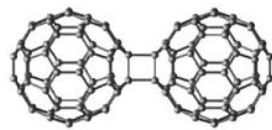
FT-IR spectroscopy analysis in nanotechnology

Evidence for the existence of functionalized groups on Pt nanoparticle

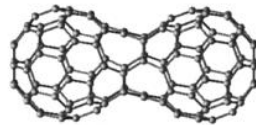


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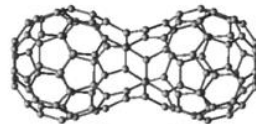
Evidence for the existence of C_{120} structures



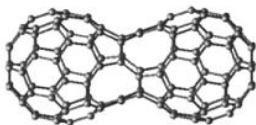
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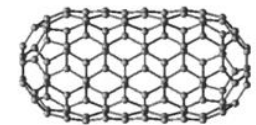
(b) Peanuts P55



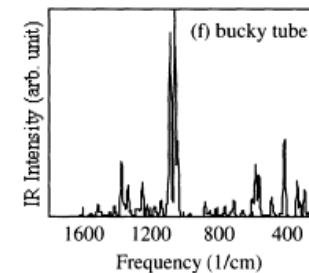
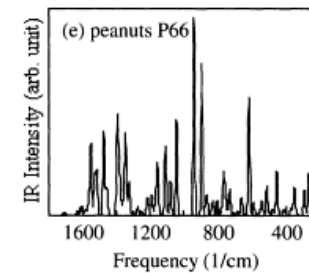
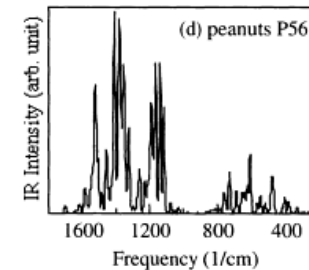
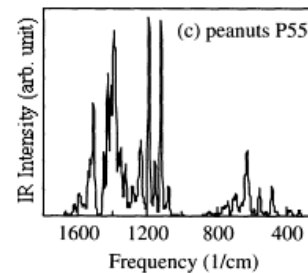
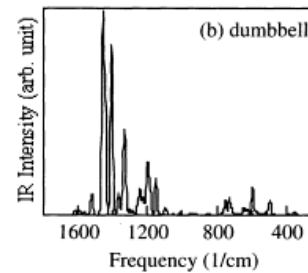
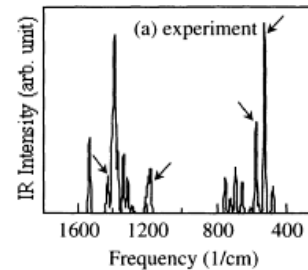
(c) Peanuts P56



(d) Peanuts P66



(e) Tube



Raman Spectroscopy

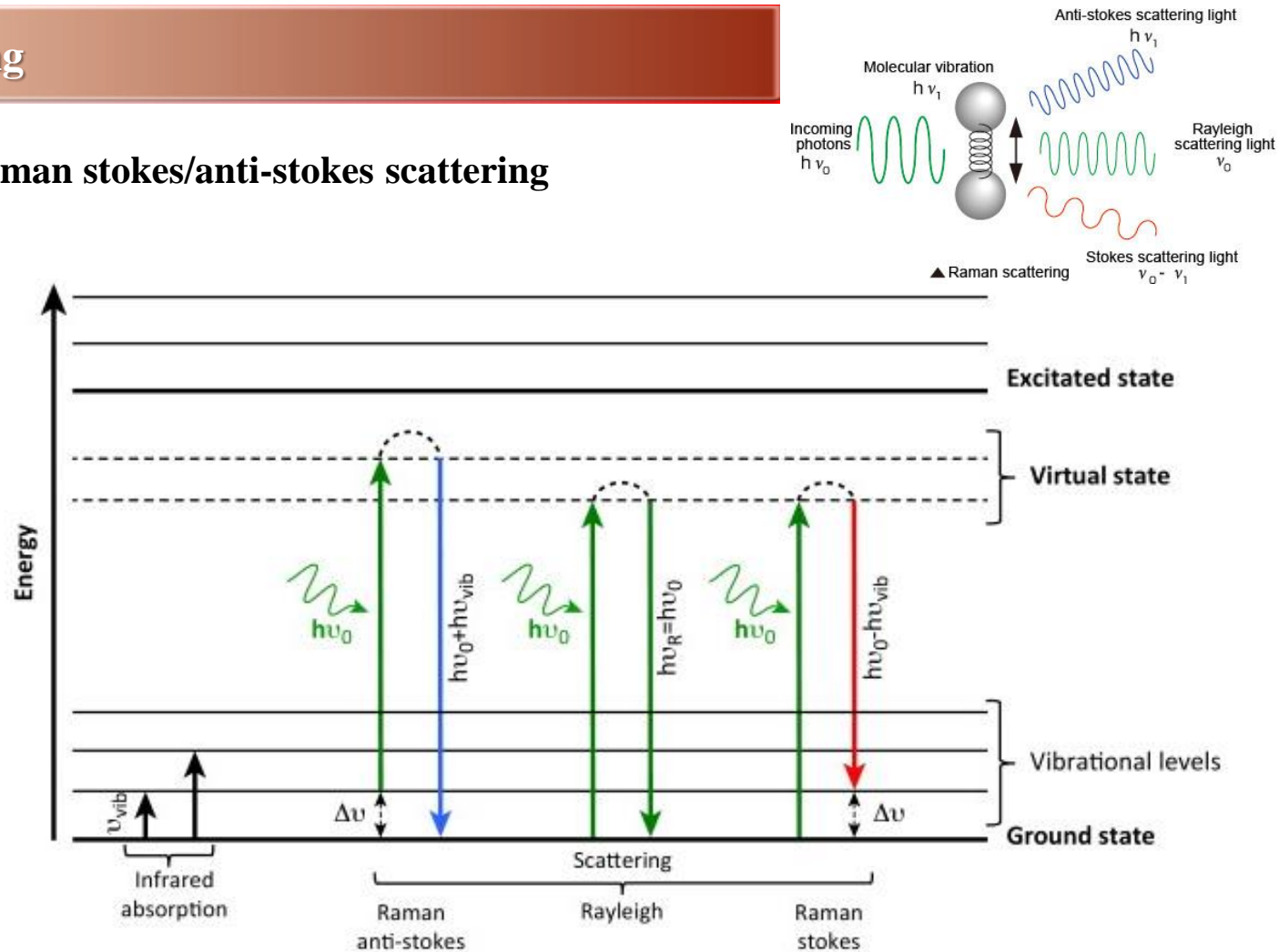
Raman scattering

Rayleigh and Raman stokes/anti-stokes scattering

Sir Raman
(1888 ~ 1970)

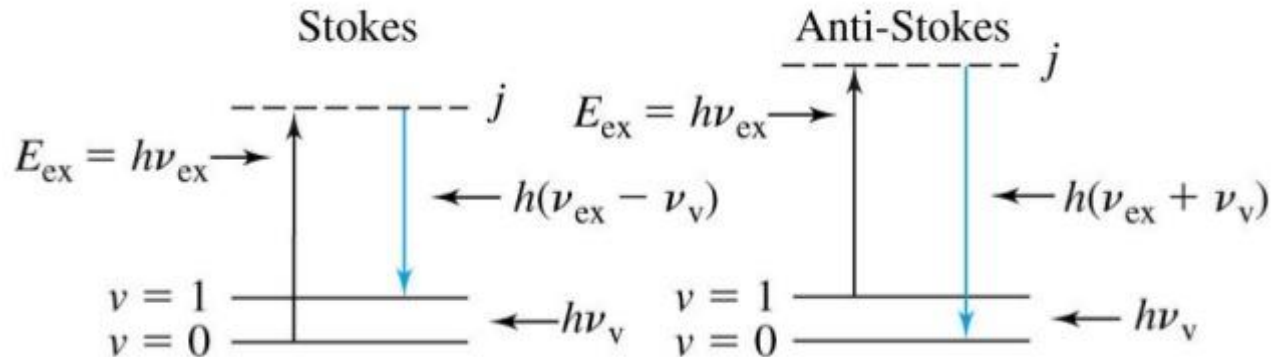


Lord Rayleigh
(1842 ~ 1919)



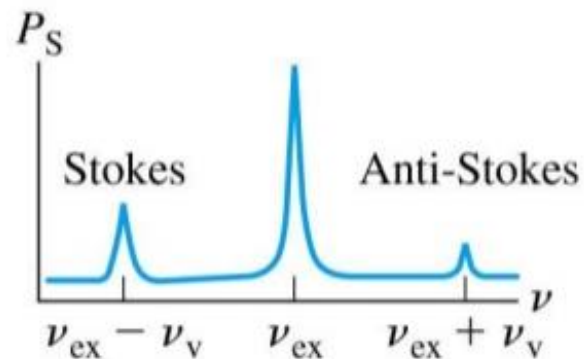
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Rayleigh and Raman stokes/anti-stokes scattering



Stokes lines are those in which the photon has lost energy to the molecule.

$$\nu_{\text{ex}} - \nu_{\text{v}}$$



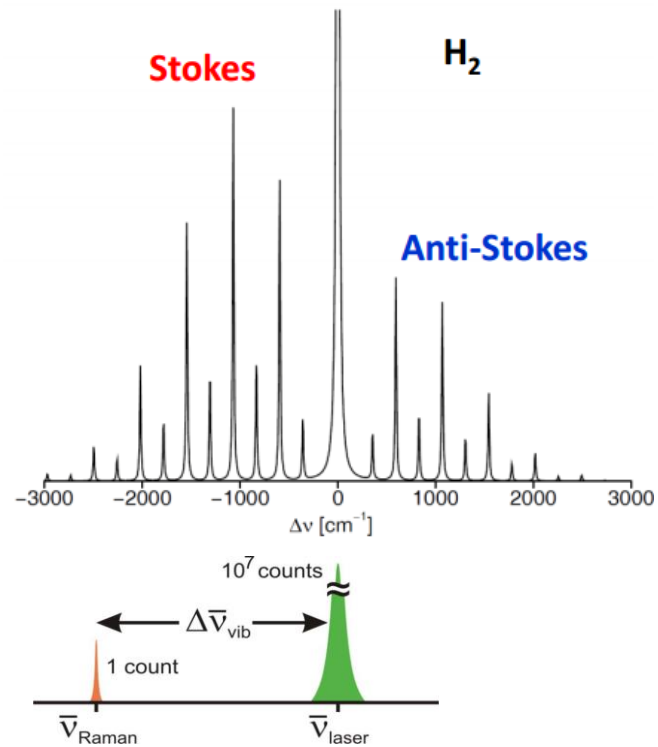
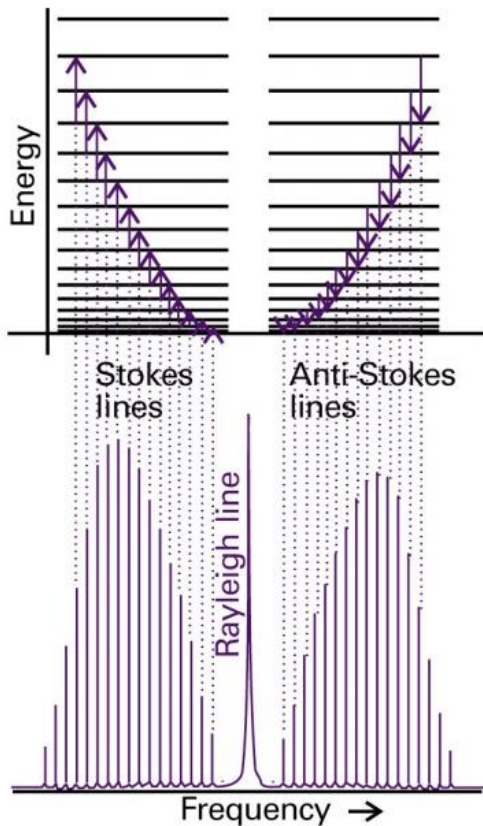
Anti-Stokes lines are those in which the photon has gained energy from the molecule.

$$\nu_{\text{ex}} + \nu_{\text{v}}$$

The strongest scattering is **Rayleigh scattering**.

Raman scattering

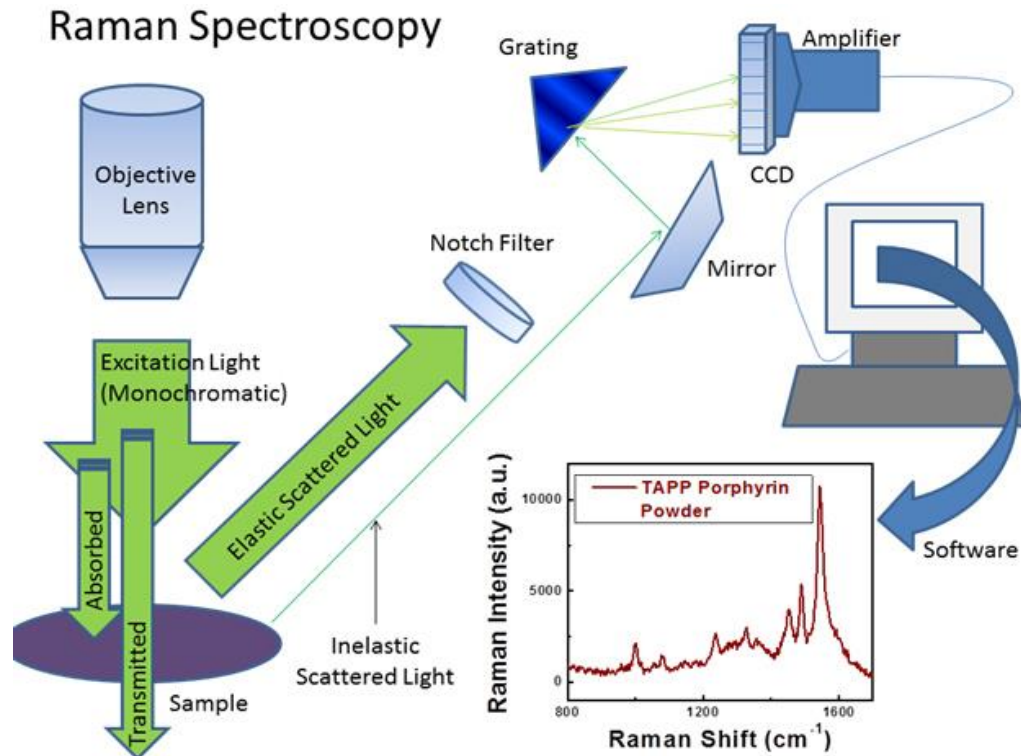
Rayleigh and Raman stokes/anti-stokes scattering



Raman scattering intensity
: 1 in 10⁷ photons is scattered inelastically.

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Instrument diagram and image

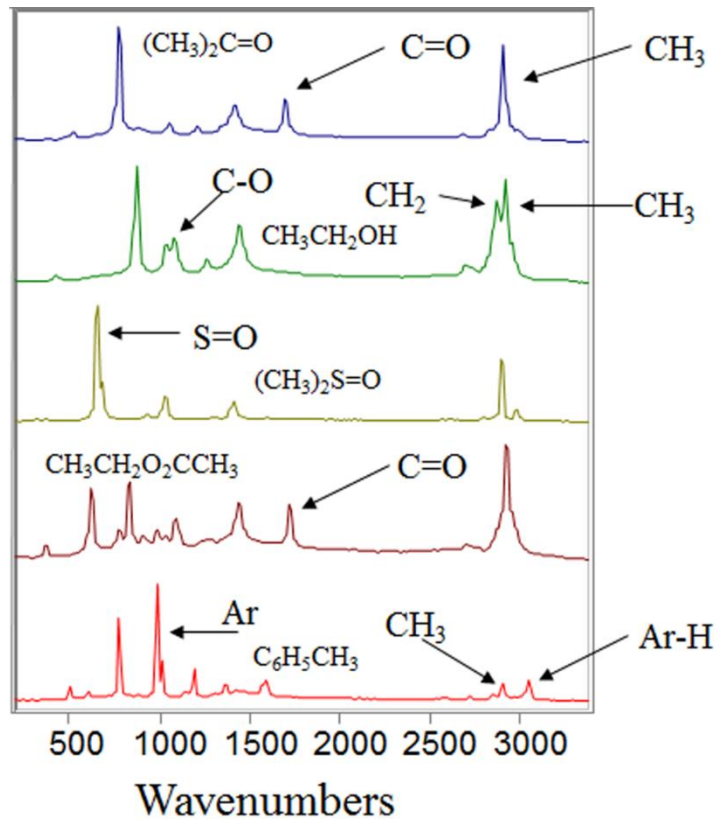


Light source
500 ~ 700 nm laser

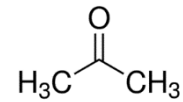
Elastic scattered light
:Rayleigh scattering

Inelastic scattered light
:Raman stokes/anti-stokes scattering

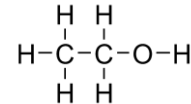
Raman spectra (example)



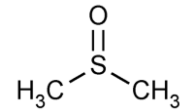
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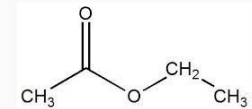
Ethanol



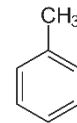
Dimethyl sulfoxide



Ethyl acetate



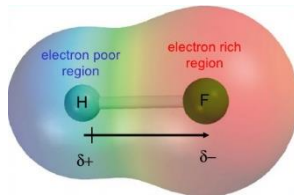
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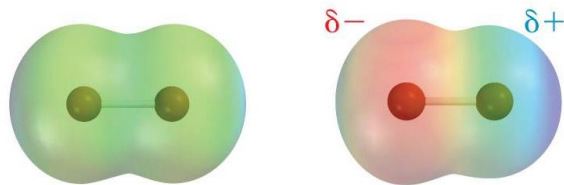
FT-IR spectroscopy vs. Raman spectroscopy

FT-IR spectroscopy (dipole moment)

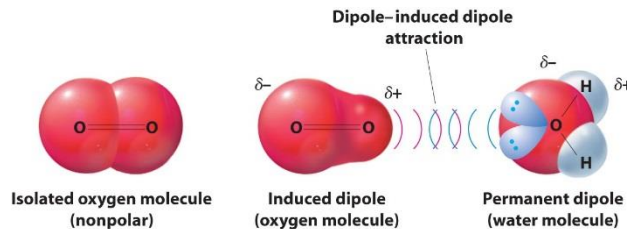
Permanent dipoles (AB: HF)



Instantaneous dipoles (A₂: Br₂)



Induced dipoles (O₂ by H₂O)



Raman spectroscopy (polarizability)

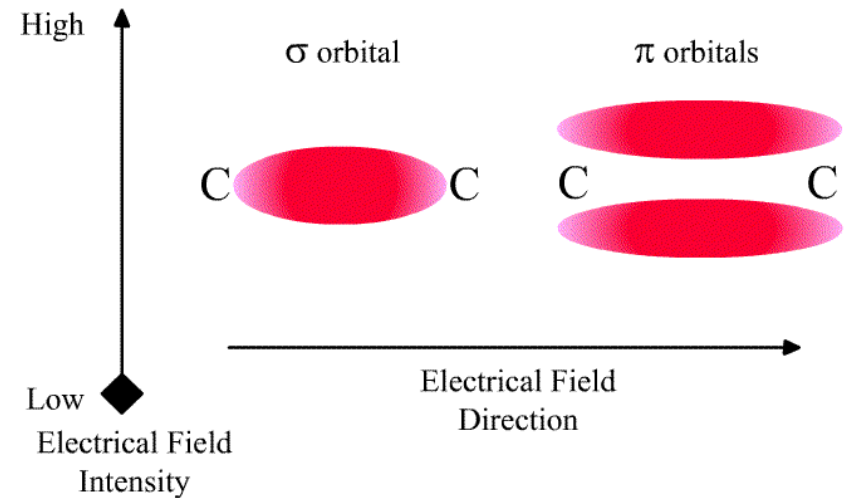
$$p = \alpha E$$

p : induced dipole moment

α : polarizability ($\text{C} \cdot \text{m}^2/\text{V}$)

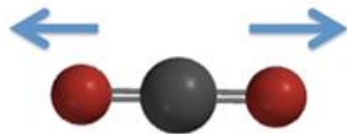
E : electric field

Polarizability is the ability for a molecule to be polarized.



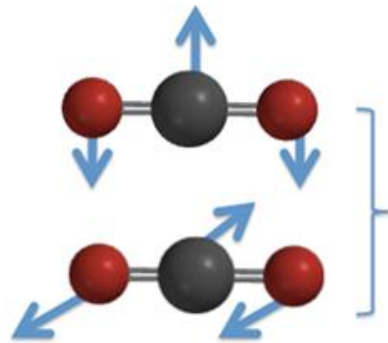
FT-IR spectroscopy vs. Raman spectroscopy

Vibrational modes of CO₂



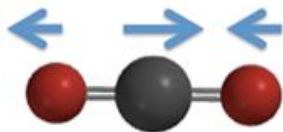
Symmetric C-O stretching

Raman: **active** (change in polarizability)
IR: **inactive** (no change in dipole moment)



Bending

Raman: **inactive** (no change in polarizability)
IR: **active** (change in dipole moment)



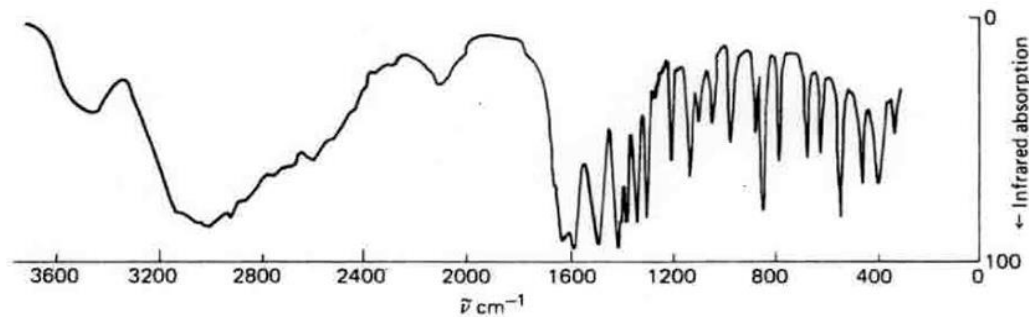
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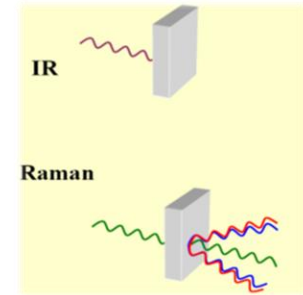
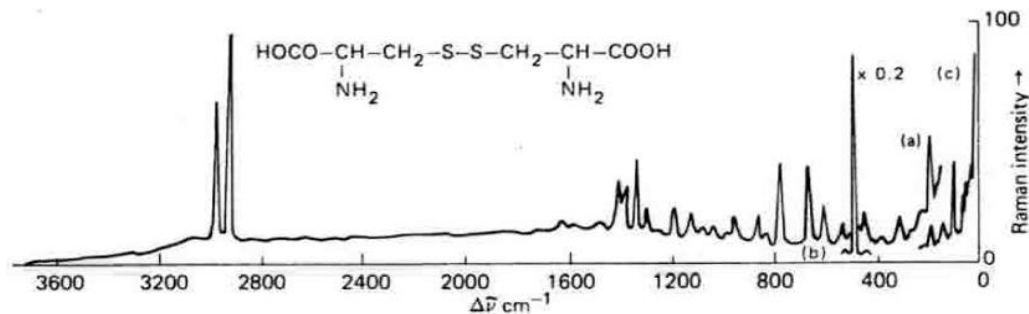
FT-IR spectroscopy vs. Raman spectroscopy

Spectrum comparison

FT-IR spectrum



Raman spectrum



In 3000 cm^{-1} region

FT-IR: NH_3^+ vibration

Raman: CH and CH_2 stretching

In 1600 cm^{-1} region

FT-IR: NH_3^+ deformation

Carboxylate asymmetric vibration

Raman: very weak signal

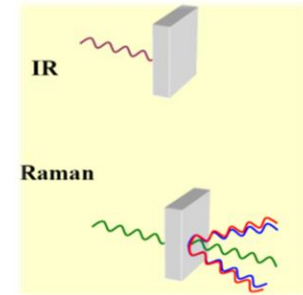
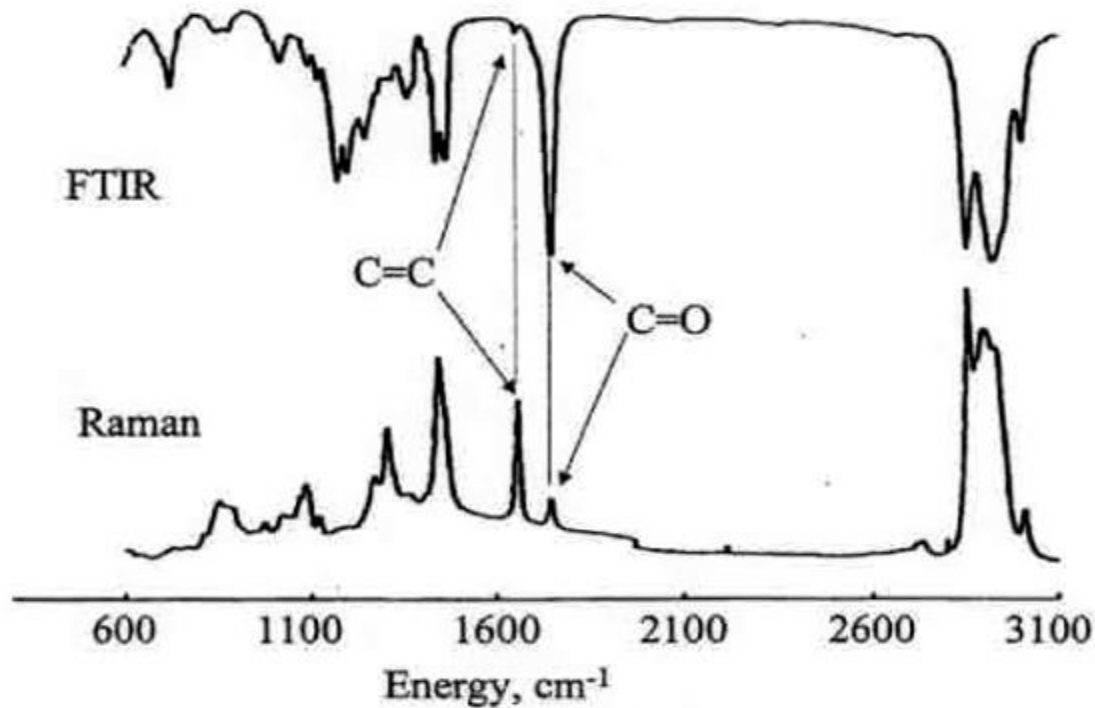
In 410 cm^{-1} region

FT-IR: weak signal

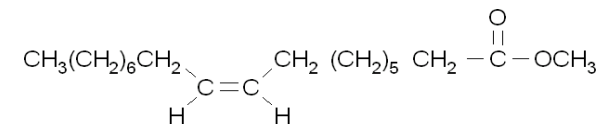
Raman: -S-S- stretching

FT-IR spectroscopy vs. Raman spectroscopy

Spectrum comparison



Oleic acid methyl ester



FT-IR spectroscopy vs. Raman spectroscopy

	Frequency (cm ⁻¹)	IR ^a	Raman ^b
Alkanes			
CH ₃ sym stretch	2862–2882	vs	vs
C—C stretch	1040–1100	—	s
Cyclopentane ring breathing	889	—	s
Alcohol O—H stretch	3635–3644	m	w
Acetylene C—H bend	825–640	s	w
Acetylene C≡C	2230–2237	—	s
C≡N stretch in R—CN	2230–2250	s	vs
Cyanate C≡N	2245–2256	s	vs
C—H in R—CHO	2800–2850	m	—
C=O in R—CHO	1730–1740	vs	w
R—NO ₂ asym stretch	1530–1600	vs	m–w
R—NO ₂ sym stretch	1310–1397	s	vs
C—S stretch	580–704	—	vs
S—H stretch	2560–2590	w	s
R ₂ S ₂ S—S stretch	507–512	m–w	s
Benzene ring breathing	992	—	vs
Primary R—Cl	650–660	s	s
Primary R—Br	565–560	s	vs
Primary R—I	500–510	s	vs

vs = very strong

s = strong

m = medium

w = weak

dash = absent

FT-IR spectroscopy vs. Raman spectroscopy

FT-IR spectroscopy

Advantages

- Simple instrumentation
- Fast measurement
- Available for low concentrated samples

Disadvantages

- High priced detector
- Dissolution problem with aqueous solutions

Raman spectroscopy

Advantages

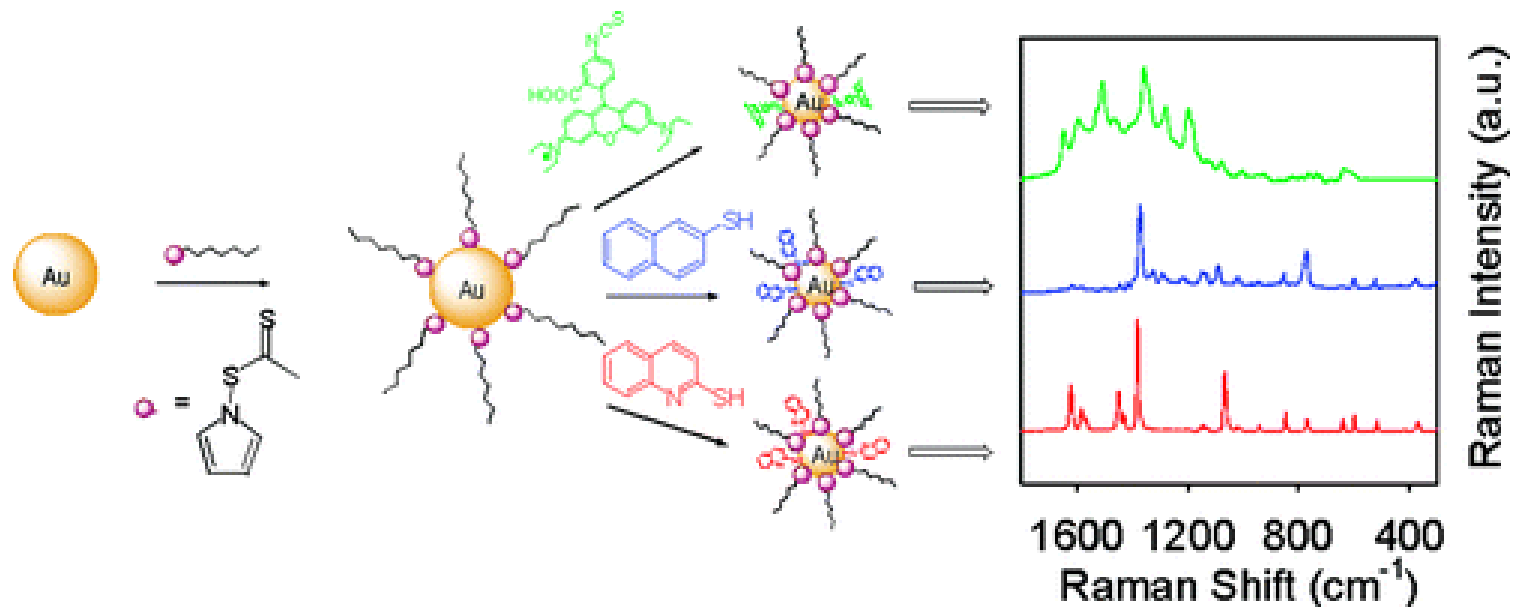
- Well-suited for aqueous solutions
- No sample preparation necessary
- Bands below 400 cm^{-1} are measurable.

Disadvantages

- Strong laser is required.
- Lower sensitivity because scattering effect is weaker.
- Fluorescence of sample may overlap with the signal

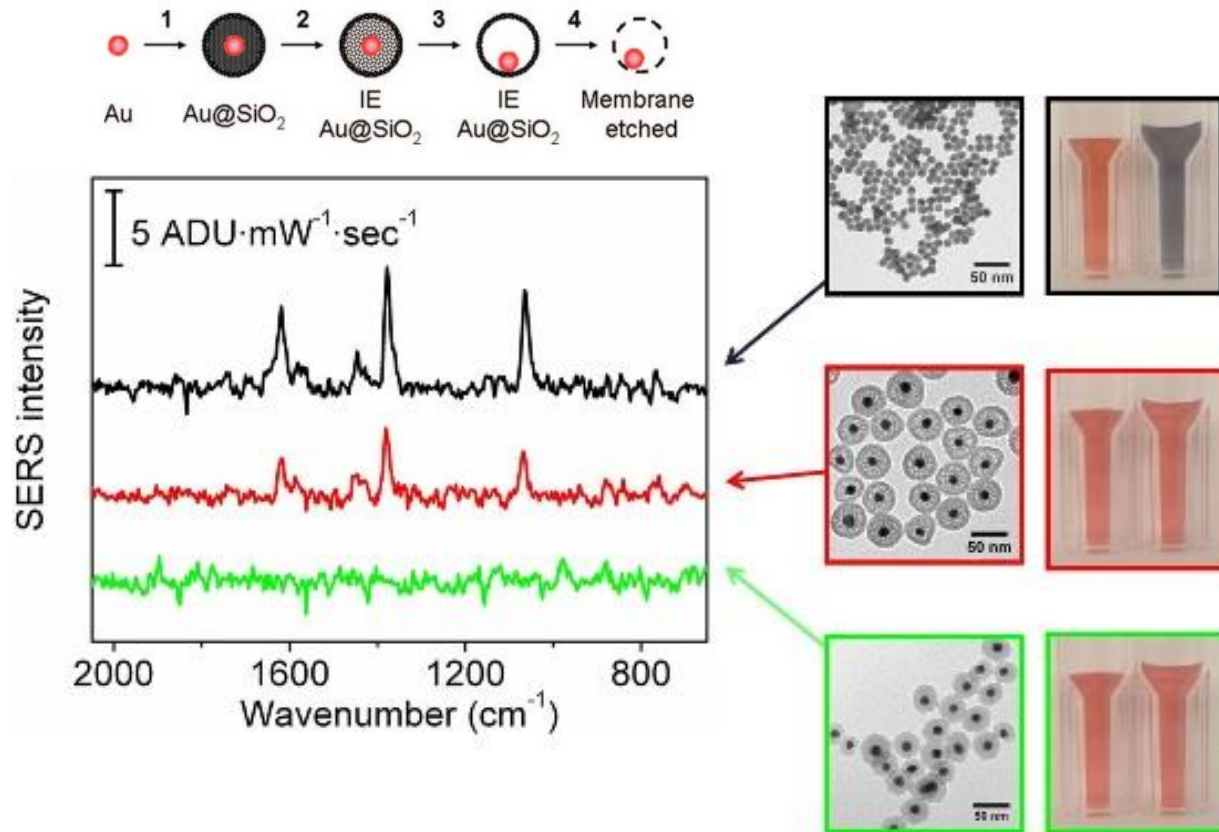
Raman spectroscopy analysis in nanotechnology

Functional polymers on Au nanoparticles



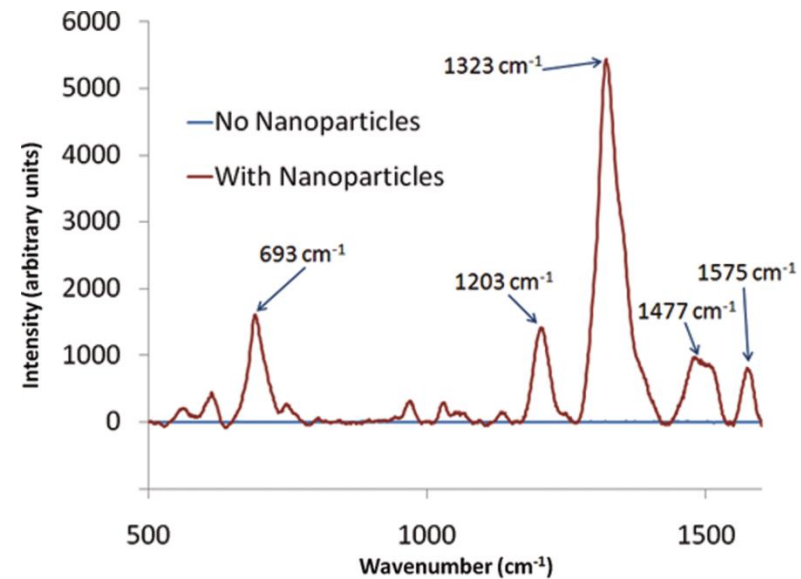
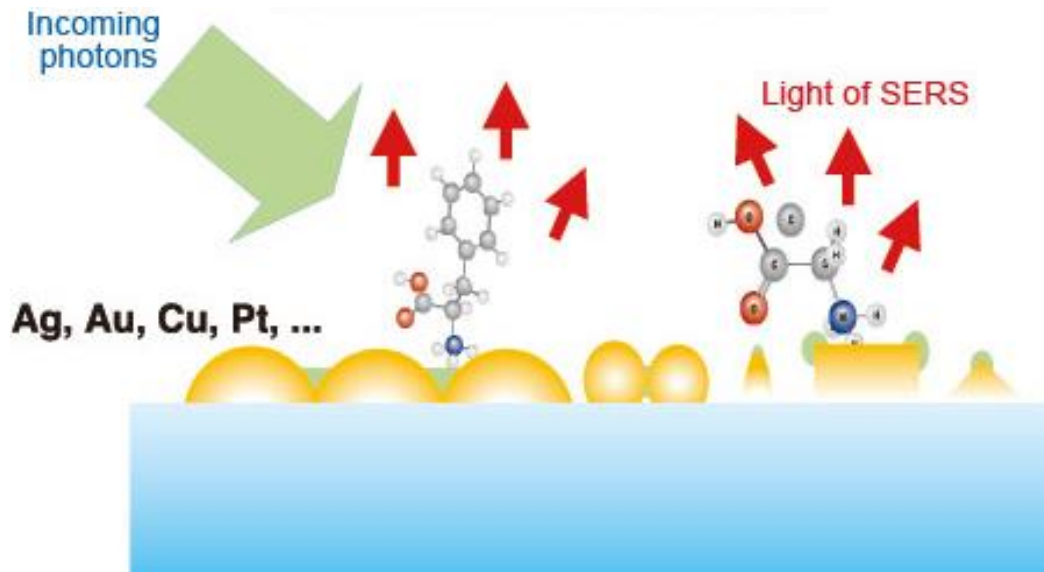
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Internally etched (IE) Au@SiO₂ core-shell nanoparticles



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Conceptual diagram of surface enhanced Raman spectroscopy (SERS)



Raman spectroscopy analysis in nanotechnology

Phosphoric acid adsorption on Au surface

