

# Kramer-Kronig analysis

Step-by-step guide

# Starting point:

- Single scattering distribution of bulk excitations in terms of dielectric function:

$$S(E) = \frac{N_{ZLP} t}{\pi a_0 m_0 v} \text{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] \ln \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\beta}{\theta_E} \right)^2 \right]$$

\cite{Egerton\_book}

- Kramer-Kronig relations:

$$\text{Re} \left[ \frac{1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] = 1 - \frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^\infty \text{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E')} \right] \frac{E' dE'}{E'^2 - E^2}.$$

\cite{dapor2017}

# Extracting $\text{Im}[-1/\varepsilon]$

$$S(E) = \frac{N_{ZLPt}}{\pi a_0 m_0 v^2} \text{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] \ln \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\beta}{\theta_E} \right)^2 \right]$$



$$\text{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] = \frac{\pi a_0 m_0 v^2}{N_{ZLPt}} \frac{S(E)}{\ln \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\beta}{\theta_E} \right)^2 \right]}.$$

# Finding K

$$\frac{N_{ZLP} t}{\pi a_0 m_0 v^2} \equiv K,$$

- Take  $E = 0$  in

$$\text{Re} \left[ \frac{1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] = 1 - \frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^\infty \text{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E')} \right] \frac{E' dE'}{E'^2 - E^2}.$$

- Gives

$$1 - \text{Re} \left[ \frac{1}{\varepsilon(0)} \right] = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \text{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] \frac{dE}{E}.$$

**Finding**  $\frac{N_{ZLP}t}{\pi a_0 m_0 v^2} \equiv K, \quad 1 - \operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{1}{\varepsilon(0)} \right] = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \operatorname{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] \frac{dE}{E}.$

- Dividing by E and integrating both sides of

$$\operatorname{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] = \frac{\pi a_0 m_0 v^2}{N_{ZLP}t} \frac{S(E)}{\ln \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\beta}{\theta_E} \right)^2 \right]}.$$

- Gives

$$\int_0^\infty \operatorname{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] \frac{dE}{E} = \frac{\pi a_0 m_0 v^2}{N_{ZLP}t} \int_0^\infty \frac{S(E)}{\ln \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\beta}{\theta_E} \right)^2 \right]} \frac{dE}{E}$$

# Finding K

- Combining

$$\int_0^\infty \operatorname{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] \frac{dE}{E} = \frac{\pi a_0 m_0 v^2}{N_{ZLPt}} \int_0^\infty \frac{S(E)}{\ln \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\beta}{\theta_E} \right)^2 \right]} \frac{dE}{E} \quad \& \quad 1 - \operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{1}{\varepsilon(0)} \right] = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \operatorname{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] \frac{dE}{E}.$$

- Gives

$$\frac{\int_0^\infty \frac{S(E)}{\ln \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\beta}{\theta_E} \right)^2 \right]} \frac{dE}{E}}{\frac{\pi}{2} (1 - \operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{1}{\varepsilon(0)} \right])} = \frac{N_{ZLPt}}{\pi a_0 m_0 v^2} \equiv K,$$

ALSO KNOWN for many materials

# Can extract $\text{Im}[-1/\varepsilon]$ !

$$\text{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] = \frac{\pi a_0 m_0 v^2}{N_{LP} t} \frac{S(E)}{\ln \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\beta}{\theta_E} \right)^2 \right]}.$$

# Finding $\text{Re}[1/\epsilon]$

- Use:

$$\text{Re} \left[ \frac{1}{\epsilon(E)} \right] = 1 - \frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^\infty \text{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\epsilon(E')} \right] \frac{E' dE'}{E'^2 - E^2}.$$

- But: for discrete spectrum: singularity at  $E = E'$   
→ use causality dielectric function



# Finding $\text{Re}[1/\varepsilon]$

- Using:

$$\text{Re} \left[ \frac{1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] = \mathcal{C} \left\{ \frac{1}{\varepsilon(t)} - \delta(t) \right\} = \mathcal{F}\{p(t)\}, \quad \text{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] = \mathcal{S} \left\{ \frac{1}{\varepsilon(t)} - \delta(t) \right\} = i\mathcal{F}\{q(t)\},$$

- And, due to causality:

$$p(t) = \text{sgn}[q(t)]$$

- Resulting in:

$$\text{Re} \left[ \frac{1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] = \mathcal{C} \left\{ \text{sgn} \left[ \mathcal{S}^{-1} \left\{ \text{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] \right\} \right] \right\}$$

# Finding dielectric function

- Yippy!!

$$\varepsilon(E) = \varepsilon_1(E) + i\varepsilon_2(E) = \frac{\operatorname{Re}[1/\varepsilon(E)] + i \operatorname{Im}[-1/\varepsilon(E)]}{\{\operatorname{Re}[1/\varepsilon(E)]\}^2 + \{\operatorname{Im}[-1/\varepsilon(E)]\}^2}.$$

# Cool cool cool, BUT

- Assumed single scattering  $S(E)$  distribution of bulk excitations to be know...
- In reality the recorded spectrum consists of bulk excitations, surface excitations and relativistic losses.

# Obtaining $S_b(E)$

- $S_b(E)$  obtainable from bulk excitations through Fourier log deconvolution method
- → need to obtain bulk excitations from total spectrum

# Obtaining $S_b(E)$

- Assume no relativistic losses:

$$\begin{aligned} S_{tot}(E) &= S_b(E) + S_s(E) \\ &= C_b(E) \operatorname{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] + C_s(E) \left( \operatorname{Im} \left[ \frac{-4}{1 + \varepsilon(E)} \right] - \operatorname{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon(E)} \right] \right) \end{aligned}$$

- Difficult to extract  $\varepsilon$  from this function

# Plan of attack

- Assume:

$$S_{tot}(E) = S_b'(E)$$

- Calculate  $\varepsilon'$  with KK-analysis

- Calculate

$$S_s'(E) = C_s(E) \left( \operatorname{Im} \left[ \frac{-4}{1 + \varepsilon'(E)} \right] - \operatorname{Im} \left[ \frac{-1}{\varepsilon'(E)} \right] \right)$$

- Better approximation:

$$S_b''(E) = S_{tot}(E) - S_s'(E)$$

- Calculate  $\varepsilon''$  with KK-analysis
- Calculate  $S_s''$
- Approximate  $S_b'''$ 
  - Calculate  $\varepsilon'''$  with KK-analysis
  - Calculate  $S_s'''$
  - Approximate  $S_b''''$

Repeat until convergence

# Including relativistic losses

- Kröger function:

$$\frac{d^2 P_s}{d\Omega dE} = \frac{1}{\pi^2 a_0 k_0 T} \frac{\theta}{(\theta^2 + \theta_E^2)^2} \text{Im} \left[ \frac{(\varepsilon_a - \varepsilon_b)^2}{\varepsilon_a^2 \varepsilon_b} R_c \right]$$

- Similar approach probably

# What is the dielectric function?

- Description of reaction of the entire solid to the passing electron:
  - Real part: permittivity, polarizability
  - Imaginary part: energy dissipation



# Interpretations of the dielectric function

- Real part:
  - Crosses zero: transitions in the system (plasmons, interband, ...)
  - Number of crosses: character of material (metallic, semi-conductor, ...)
- Imaginary part:
  - Damping on transitions

# High energy range

- $\varepsilon_1 \rightarrow 1$ ,  $\varepsilon_2$  small

$$\varepsilon(\omega) = \varepsilon_1 + i\varepsilon_2 = 1 + \chi = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2 + \Gamma^2} + \frac{i \Gamma \omega_p^2}{\omega (\omega^2 + \Gamma^2)}$$

# Crossings with +slope $\varepsilon_1$

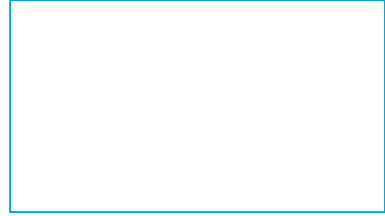
- Well defined collective response (i.e. peak/transition?)
  - Condition for plasma resonance

$$E(\varepsilon_1 = 0) = [E_p^2 - (\Delta E_p)^2]^{1/2}$$

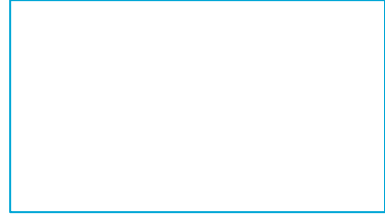
# Cherenkov radiation

- When:  $\varepsilon_1(E) > c^2/v^2$











# Damping

- Stopping power:

$$\frac{dE}{dz} = \frac{2\hbar^2}{\pi a_0 m_0 v^2} \int \int \frac{q_y \omega \operatorname{Im}[-1/\varepsilon(q, \omega)]}{q_y^2 + (\omega/v)^2} dq_y d\omega$$

# Low loss electron energy spectrum

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