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Roger Loring's new theory for the broadband local dielectric spectroscopy signal should also predict the so-called local dielectric specroscopy (LDS) signals oscillating at frequency 2 ω \$m. There should be an in-phase frequency modulation, proportional to Cos[2 ω \$m], and an out-of-phase frequency modulation, proportional to Sin[2 ω \$m]. In the note below, retrace my 2024-05-29 paper-and-pencil derivation computing time-averaged frequency shift. Then extend the calculation to compute the LDS lock-in signals.

Following Loring's 2024-02-20 notes, define the average interaction energy. Here V\$ts is the tip-sample voltage, c is the tip capacitance, and ϕ is the reaction potential.

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In[174]:= Clear[W, V$ts, c, \phi];

W[z_, t_] = V$ts[t] × c[0, z] \phi[z, t]

Out[175]= c[0, z] × V$ts[t] \phi[z, t]
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Here c[n, z] represents the nth derivative of the tip-sample capacitance c[0, z]. Every time you take a derivative, you increase n.

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ln[176] = Derivative[0, 1][c][n_, z_] := c[n + 1, z]
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As a check, take the second derivative of the interaction energy. Observe that I get the expected paperand-pencil answer.

Define the reaction field . Here $R[k, n, z, \omega]$ is the frequency-domain response function. The first input k indicates the real or imaginary part, with k=0 the real part and k=1 the imaginary part. The second input n indicates the nth derivative. The third and fourth inputs are height and modulation frequency, respectively.

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In[178]:= Clear[\phi$rxn, R, \omega$m];

\phi$rxn[z_, t_] = V$0 c[0, z] (R[0, 0, z, \omega$m] Cos[\omega$m t] - R[1, 0, z, \omega$m] Sin[\omega$m t]);

Every time you take a derivative of R with respect to z, increase n by one.
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In[180]:= Derivative[0, 0, 1, 0] [R] [k_, n_, z_, ω] := R[k, n + 1, z, ω]

Check that we get the expected behavior.

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 \begin{array}{ll} & \text{In[181]:= } \textbf{D[}\phi\$\text{rxn[}\textbf{z},\textbf{t]},\textbf{z}] \\ & \text{Out[181]:= } \textbf{V}\$0\,c\,[1,z]\,\left(\text{Cos}[\texttt{t}\,\omega\$\text{m}]\,R\,[0,0,z,\omega\$\text{m}] - R\,[1,0,z,\omega\$\text{m}]\,\text{Sin}[\texttt{t}\,\omega\$\text{m}]\,\right) + \\ & \text{V}\$0\,c\,[0,z]\,\left(\text{Cos}[\texttt{t}\,\omega\$\text{m}]\,R\,[0,1,z,\omega\$\text{m}] - R\,[1,1,z,\omega\$\text{m}]\,\text{Sin}[\texttt{t}\,\omega\$\text{m}]\,\right) \\ \end{array}
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Substitute the reaction potential and the oscillating tip-sample voltage into the interaction energy.

To get the dc frequency shift, average over one oscillation cycle. Define a function to average over an oscillation cycle.

In[184]:= cycleAverage[f_] :=
$$\frac{\omega \$ m}{2 \pi}$$
 Integrate[f, {t, 0, $\frac{2 \pi}{\omega \$ m}$ }]

Check that averaging 1 over an oscillating cycle returns 1 and check that averaging cosine squared gives 1/2. These checks show that I have the prefactor correct in the above function definition.

$$ln[185] = \left\{ \text{cycleAverage[1], cycleAverage[Cos[}\omega \text{ m t]}^2 \right] \right\}$$

$$Out[185] = \left\{ 1, \frac{1}{2} \right\}$$

Define another function to factor out a common factor, from here.

Now cycle-average the frequency shift, collect the prefactors of the three R derivatives, and factor out a common term.

$$\begin{split} & & \text{In}[187] = \Delta \omega \$ \text{avg} = \text{factorOut} \Big[\frac{\text{V}\$0^2 \text{ w}\$c}{4 \text{ k}\$c} \Big] [\text{Collect}[\text{cycleAverage}[\Delta \omega], \\ & & & \left\{ \text{R}[0,\,0,\,z,\,\omega \$ m],\,\text{R}[0,\,1,\,z,\,\omega \$ m],\,\text{R}[0,\,2,\,z,\,\omega \$ m] \right\},\,\text{FullSimplify}]] \\ & & \text{Out}[187] = \frac{1}{4 \text{ k}\$c} \text{V}\$0^2 \text{ w}\$c \left(2 \text{ c}[1,\,z]^2 \text{ R}[0,\,0,\,z,\,\omega \$ m] + 4 \text{ c}[0,\,z] \times \text{c}[1,\,z] \times \text{R}[0,\,1,\,z,\,\omega \$ m] + \text{c}[0,\,z] \times \text{c}[1,\,z] \times \text{R}[0,\,1,\,z,\,\omega \$ m] + \text{c}[0,\,z] \times \text{R}[0,\,2,\,z,\,\omega \$ m] \right) \Big) \\ & & & \text{c}[0,\,z] \, \left(2 \text{ c}[2,\,z] \times \text{R}[0,\,0,\,z,\,\omega \$ m] + \text{c}[0,\,z] \times \text{R}[0,\,2,\,z,\,\omega \$ m] \right) \Big) \end{aligned}$$

This result agrees with my and Loring's paper-and-pencil finding.

To obtain the LDS signals, mimic lock-in detection at a reference frequency of 2 ω \$m. Multiply the frequency shift by $Cos[2 \omega m t]$ and $Sin[2 \omega m t]$ before performing the cycle average.

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Observe that the in-phase lock-in signal at 2 ω \$m is just half the average frequency shift. This is a somewhat surprising result. I expected the in-phase lock-in signal to involve different combinations of capacitance and response-function derivatives.

In[190]:= LDS\$X /
$$\Delta \omega$$
\$avg // FullSimplify
Out[190]= $\frac{1}{2}$

The out-of-phase lock-in signal is distinct from the in-phase signal, since the out-of-phase signal involves derivatives of the *imaginary* part of the response function R.