

# Spectroscopy

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- **Spectroscopy is the study of the interaction between electromagnetic radiation and matter. The matter can be atoms, molecules or ions**

## spectrometer

Spectrometer is something which can be used to measure the presence of particular compound or particle in a molecule

## Spectrum...

- Spectrum is a plot of the amount of light absorbed by a sample versus the wavelength of the light
- The amount of light absorbed is called the absorbance

# Electromagnetic radiation

- EM is a form of energy that is all around us
- EM is a form of energy and has both electrical and magnetic characteristics
- Electricity and magnetism were once thought to be separate forces
- **James clerk maxwell** developed a unified theory of electromagnetism
- The study of electromagnetism deals with how electrically charged particles interact with each other and with magnetic fields

## Electromagnetic radiation

- Electromagnetic radiation is a form of energy and has both electrical and magnetic characteristics
- The electric and magnetic fields in an electromagnetic wave oscillate along directions perpendicular to the propagation direction of the wave

# Electromagnetic Wave

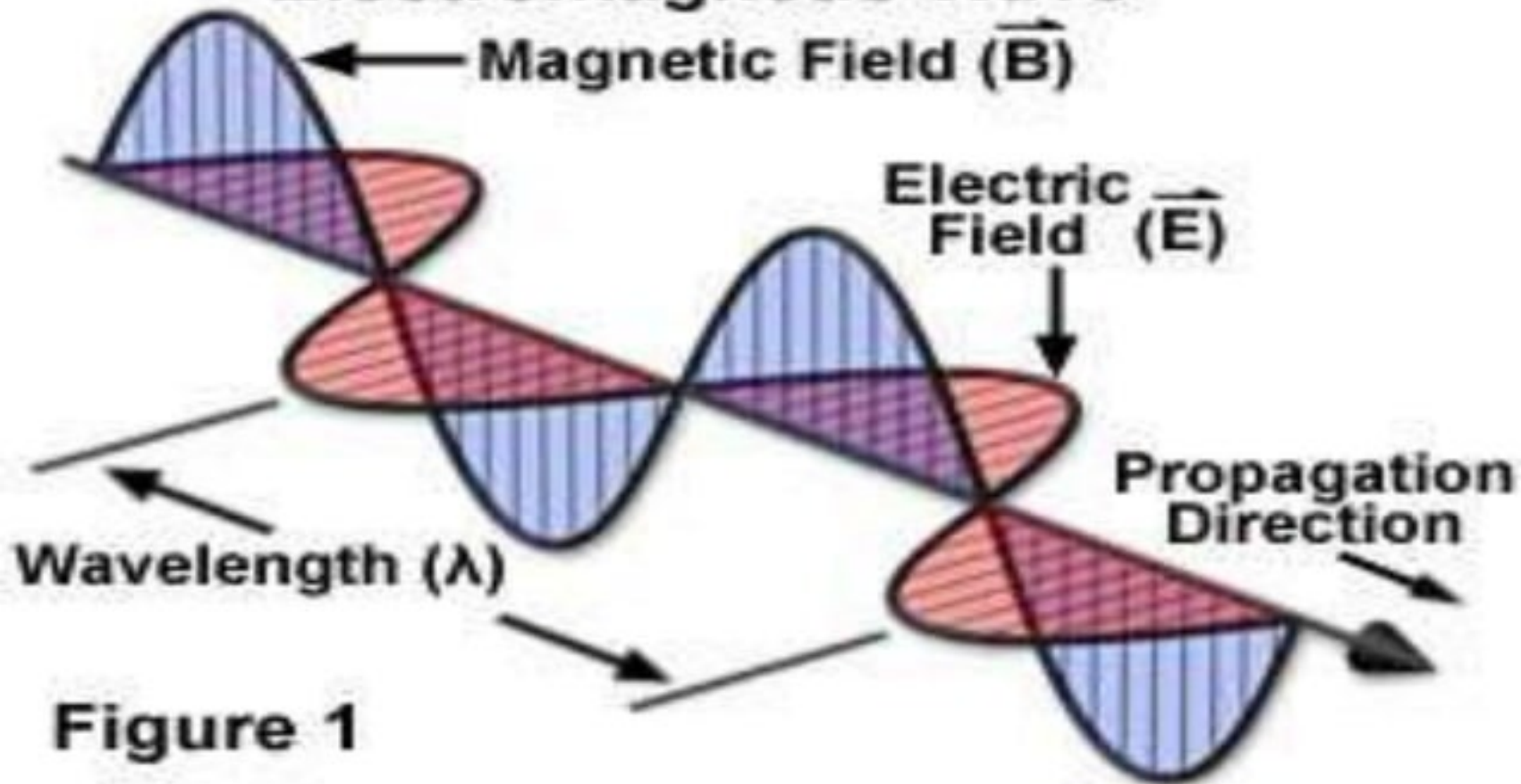


Figure 1



## Electromagnetic spectrum

- A short wavelength means that the frequency will be higher because one cycle can pass in a shorter amount of time according to the **university of wisconsin**
- Similarly a longer wavelength has a lower frequency because each cycle takes longer to complete

## Various terms...

- **Frequency :-**

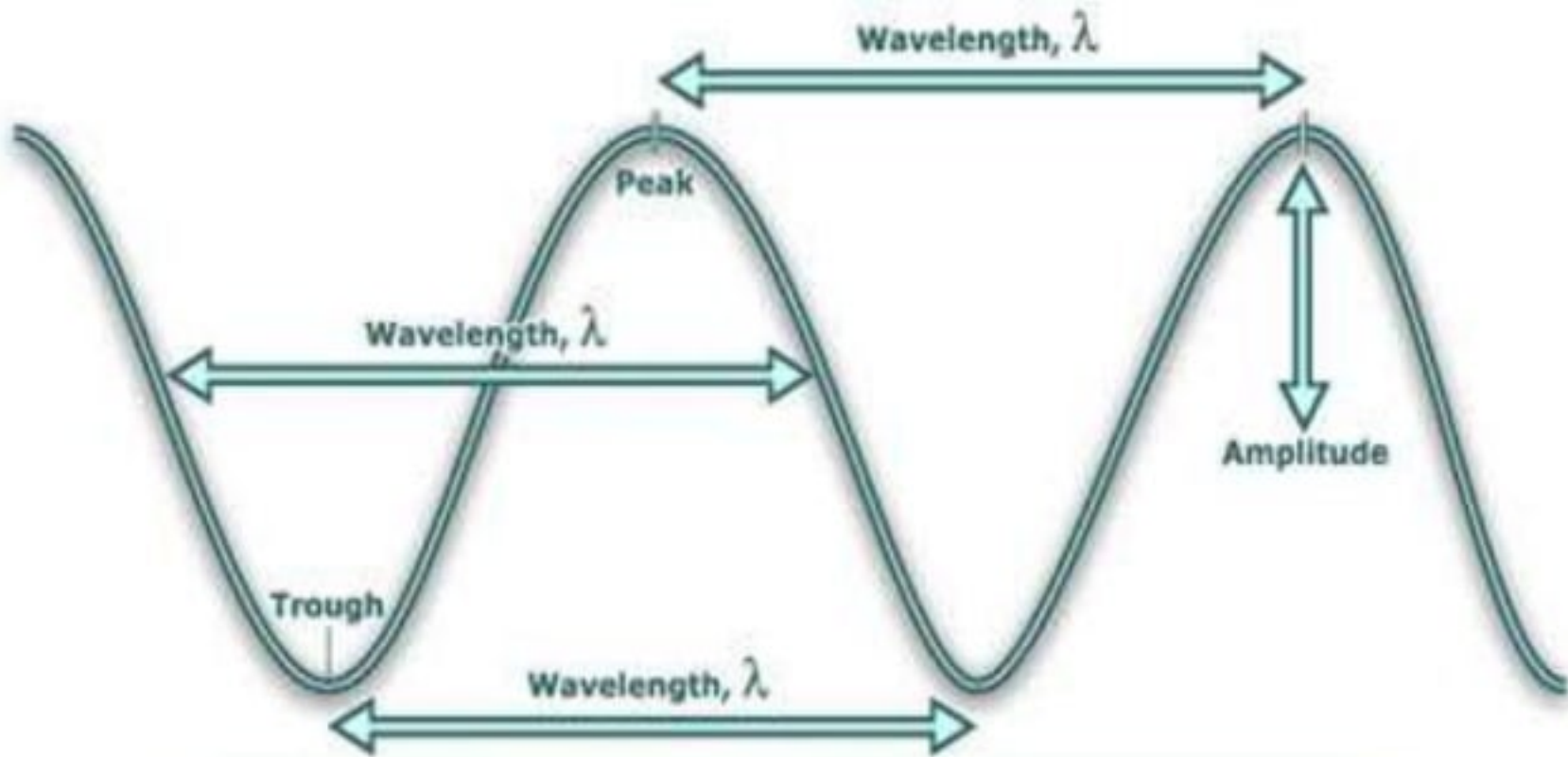
number of waves produced each second (measured in Hz).

- **Wavelength ( $\lambda$ ) :-**

the distance between two successive waves (measured in m).

- **Amplitude :-**

is the maximum distance a wave extends beyond its middle position.



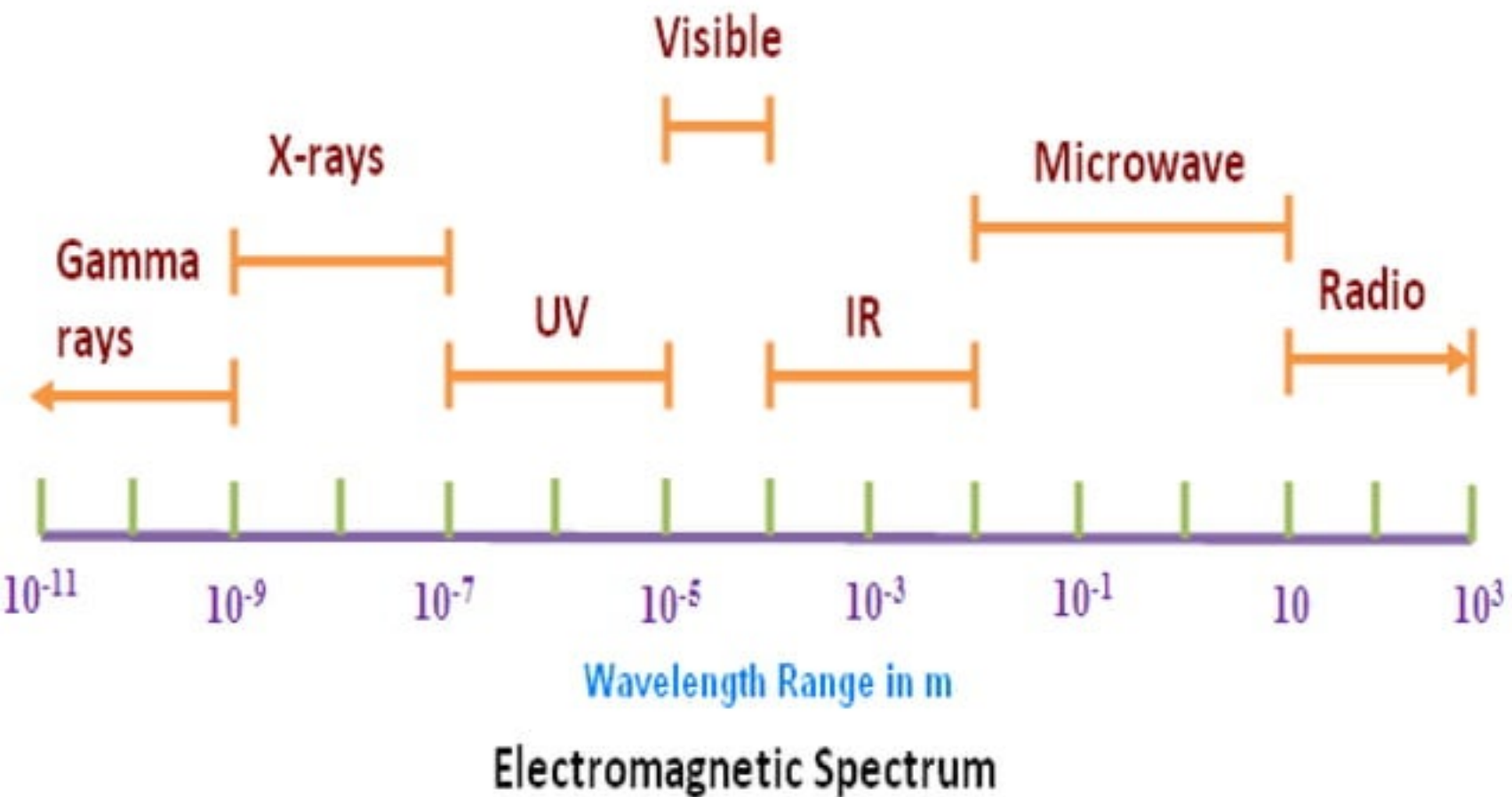
Speed of wave,  $v = \text{frequency, } f \times \text{wavelength, } \lambda$

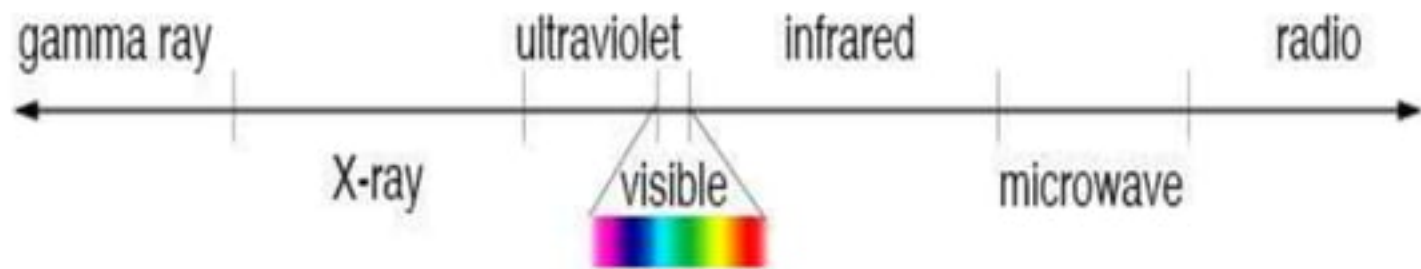
## Electromagnetic spectrum

- Electromagnetic spectrum ranges from very short wavelength (gamma rays) to very long wavelengths (radio waves)
- The visible region of the spectrum extends approximately over the wavelength range 400-700nm
- The shorter wavelengths being the blue end of the spectrum and the longer wavelength the red

## Electromagnetic spectrum

- The wavelength between 400 and 200nm make up the near ultraviolet region of the spectrum
- The wavelength above 700nm to approximately 2000nm the ultraviolet region

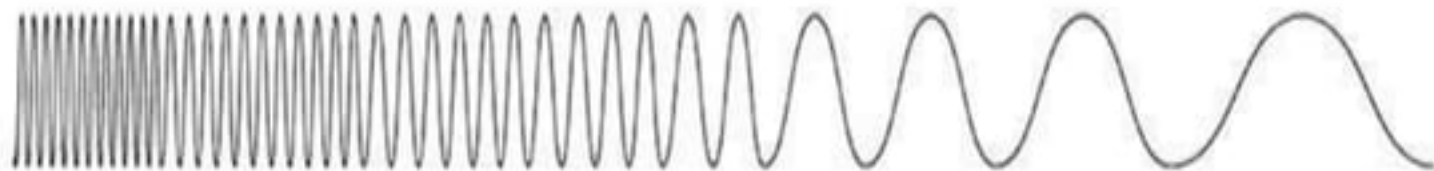




shorter wavelength  
higher frequency  
higher energy

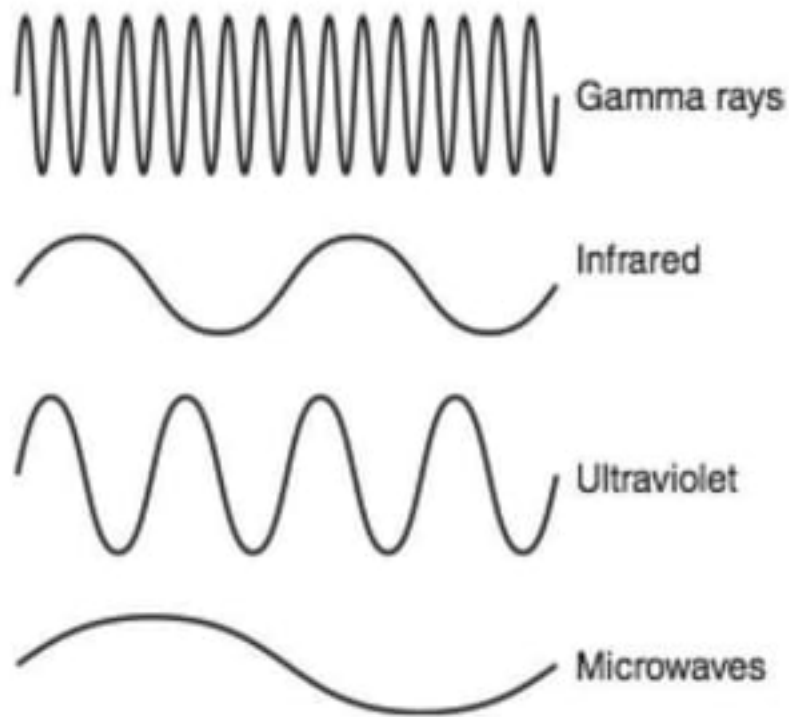


longer wavelength  
lower frequency  
lower energy





The diagram below shows four waves that represent four different types of electromagnetic radiation: gamma, infrared, ultraviolet rays, and microwaves. The wavelengths shown below are relative but not to scale.

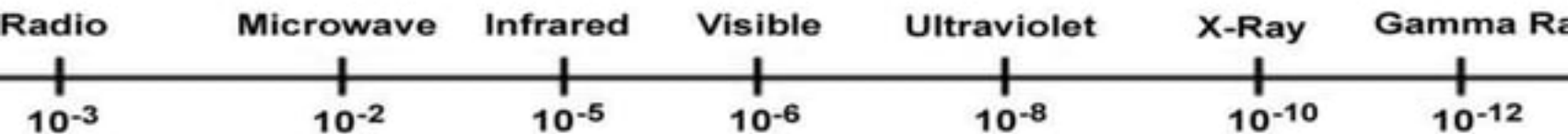


Which kind of wave has the greatest frequency?



# THE ELECTROMAGNETIC SPECTRUM

Wavelength (meters)



Frequency (Hz)



V I S I B L E L I G H T





Interaction of electromagnetic radiation

With matter

- The nature of the interaction between radiation and matter may include-
  1. absorption
  2. emission
  3. scattering
- They help in the study of matter with respect to
  1. qualitative study
  2. quantitative study

## Interaction with matter...

- The effect of electromagnetic radiation on interaction with matter depends on energy associated with the radiation
- Very energetic radiations (UV and x-ray) may cause an electron to **be ejected from the molecules**
- Radiation in the infrared region of the spectrum have much less energy they can cause **vibrations in molecules**

## Interaction with matter...

- **Microwave radiation** is even less energetic than infrared radiation it can neither induce electronic transition in molecules nor can it cause vibrations it can only cause molecules to rotate
- **Ultraviolet, visible** - electronic transitions
- **Infrared** - molecular vibrations
- **Microwave** - molecular rotation

## Types of spectroscopy

- When radiation meets matter, the radiation is either scattered, emitted or absorbed
- so they are of three types
  - 1.absorption spectroscopy**
  - 2.scattering spectroscopy**
  - 3.emission spectroscopy**



# Absorption spectroscopy

- In absorption spectroscopy an electromagnetic radiation is absorbed by an atom or molecule



Which undergoes transition from a lower energy state to a higher energy or excited state

- Absorption occurs only when the energy of radiation matches the difference in energy between two energy levels

## Scattering spectroscopy...

- Scattering spectroscopy measures certain physical properties by measuring the amount of light that a substance scatters at certain wavelengths .
- One of the most useful applications of light scattering spectroscopy is **RAMAN SPECTROSCOPY**

## Emission spectroscopy:

- Atoms or molecules that are excited to high energy levels can decay to lower levels by **emitting radiation**
- The substance first absorbs energy and then emits this energy as light
- Emission can be induced by sources of energy such as flame or electromagnetic radiation

# Principles of absorption spectroscopy...

## Lamberts law:

- It states that when monochromatic light passes through a transparent medium, the intensity of transmitted light decreases exponentially as the **thickness of absorbing material increases**

## Beer's law:

- It states that the intensity of transmitted monochromatic light decreases exponentially as the **concentration of the absorbing substance increases**

## Beer-lamberts law...

- The Beer-Lambert law states that the amount of light absorbed by a substance dissolved in a fully transmitting solvent is directly proportional to the concentration of the substance and the path length.

## Spectrophotometer...

- A spectrophotometer is an instrument that measures the amount of light absorbed by a sample.
- used to measure the concentration of solutes in solution by measuring the amount of the light that is absorbed by the solution in a cuvette placed in the spectrophotometer .



## Parts...

- Light source
- A monochromator
- Sample holder(cuvvette)
- Light detector

## Light source...

- The function of the light source is to provide a sufficient of light
- The light source typically yields a high output of polychromatic light over a wide range of the spectrum.



## Tungsten Lamp

- Tungsten Halogen Lamp, it is the most common light source used in spectrophotometer.
- This lamp consists of a tungsten filament enclosed in a glass envelope,
- with a wavelength range of about 330 to 900 nm, are used for the visible region. It has long life about 1200h

# Tungsten-Halogen Lamp



## Hydrogen / Deuterium Lamps

- For the ultraviolet region, hydrogen or deuterium lamps are frequently used.
- their range is approximately 200 to 450 nm.
- Deuterium lamps are generally more stable
- and has long life about 500h.
- This lamp generates continuous or discontinuous spectral.



## Xenon flash lamps

- 1) Their range between ( 190nm - 1000 nm)
- 2) Emit both UV and visible wavelengths
- 3) Long life
- 4) Do not heat up the instrument
- 5) Reduce warm up time



# Monochromator

- Monochromator Accepts polychromatic input light from a lamp and outputs monochromatic light.
- Monochromator consists of three parts:
  - I) Entrance slit
  - II) Exit slit
  - III) Dispersion device



# Dispersion devices

- Dispersion devices causes a different wavelength of light to be dispersion at different angles monochromators used for function.
- **Types of dispersion devices :**
- **Prism:-** is used to isolate different wavelength .
- If a parallel beam of radiation falls on a prism , the radiation of two different wavelength will be bent through different angles.
- Prism may be made of glass or quartz.
- The glass prisms are suitable for radiation essentially in the visible range
- whereas the quartz prism can cover the ultraviolet spectrum also.
- It is found that the dispersion given by glass is about three times that of quartz.



# Filter

- Filters separate different parts of the electromagnetic spectrum by absorbing or reflecting certain wavelengths and transmitting other wavelengths.
- **Absorption filters:-**  
are glass substrates containing absorbing species that absorb certain wavelength.
- **Interference filters:-**  
are made of multiple dielectric thin films on a substrate.
- They use interference to selectively transmit or reflect a certain range of wavelengths.

## Absorption cells(Cuvettes)

- A cuvette is a kind of cell (usually a small square tube) sealed at one end
- made of Plastic, glass or optical grade quartz
- designed to hold samples for spectroscopic experiments.
- Cuvette should be as clear as possible, without impurities that might affect a spectroscopic reading



**Why should we use quartz cuvettes for measuring absorbance in the UV range and plastic cuvettes in the visible range?**

Why the cuvettes have two polished sides?

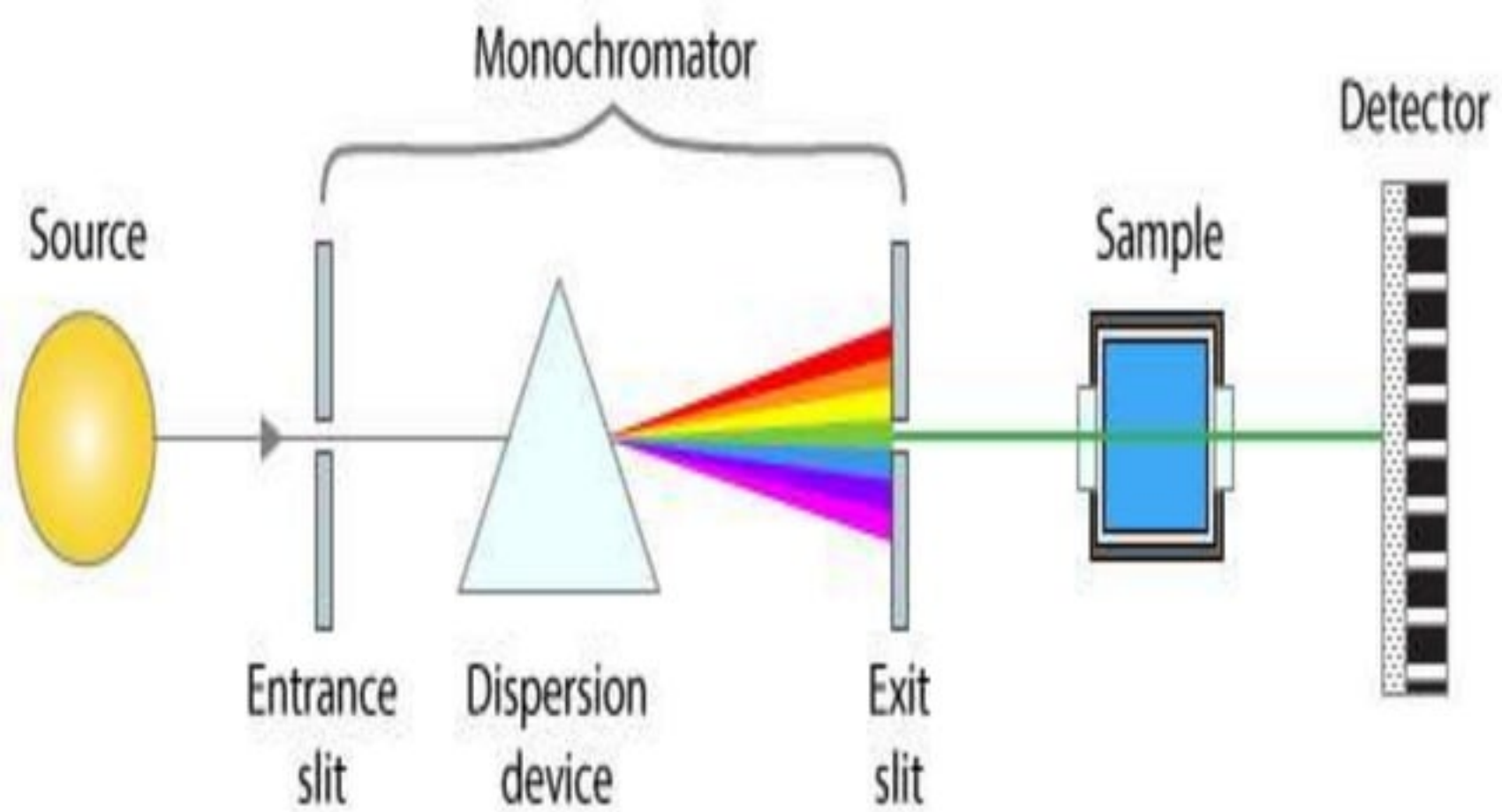


Frosted Glass



Regular Glass







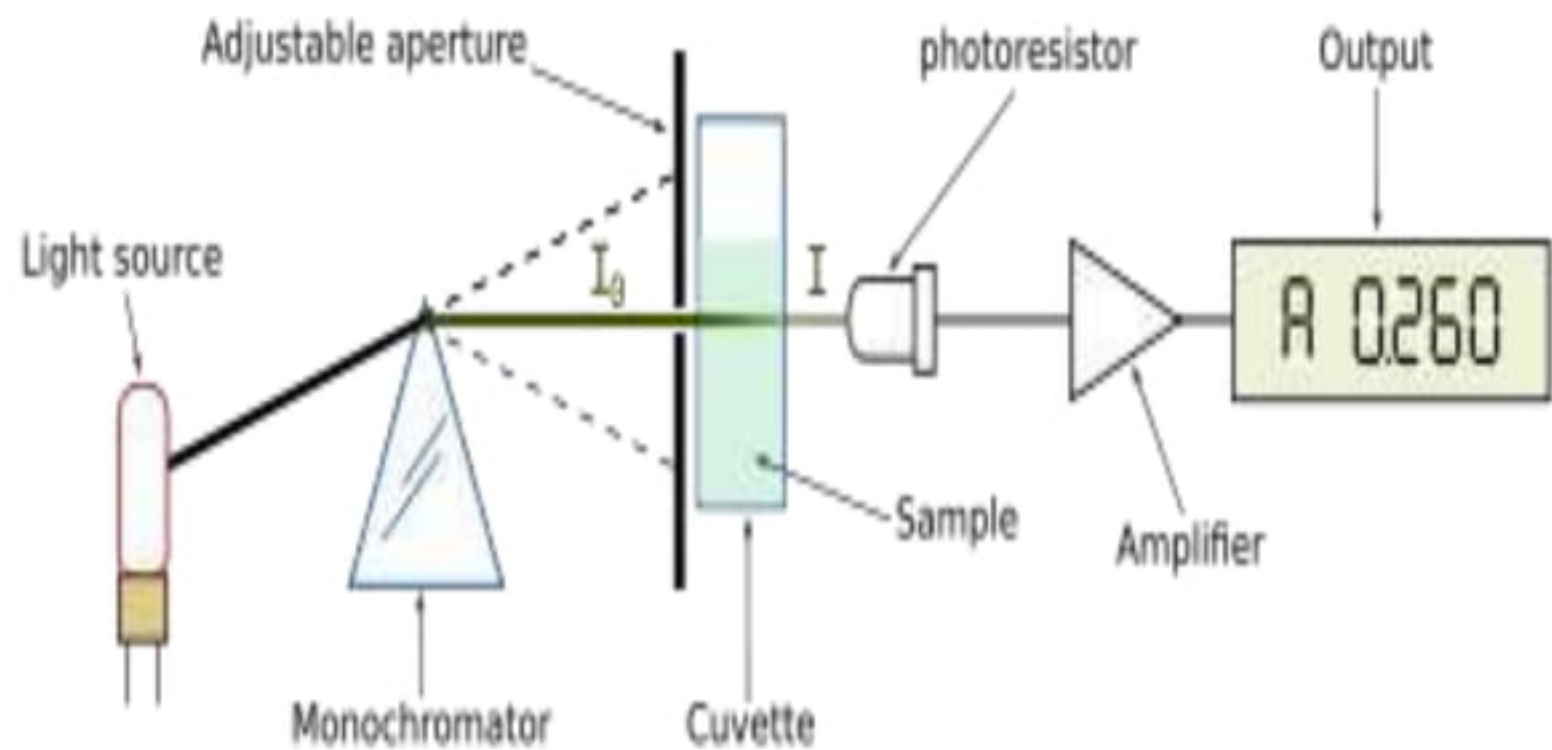


## Types of spectrophotometer

- There are two classes of spectrophotometers:
  1. Single beam spectrophotometer
  2. double beam spectrophotometer

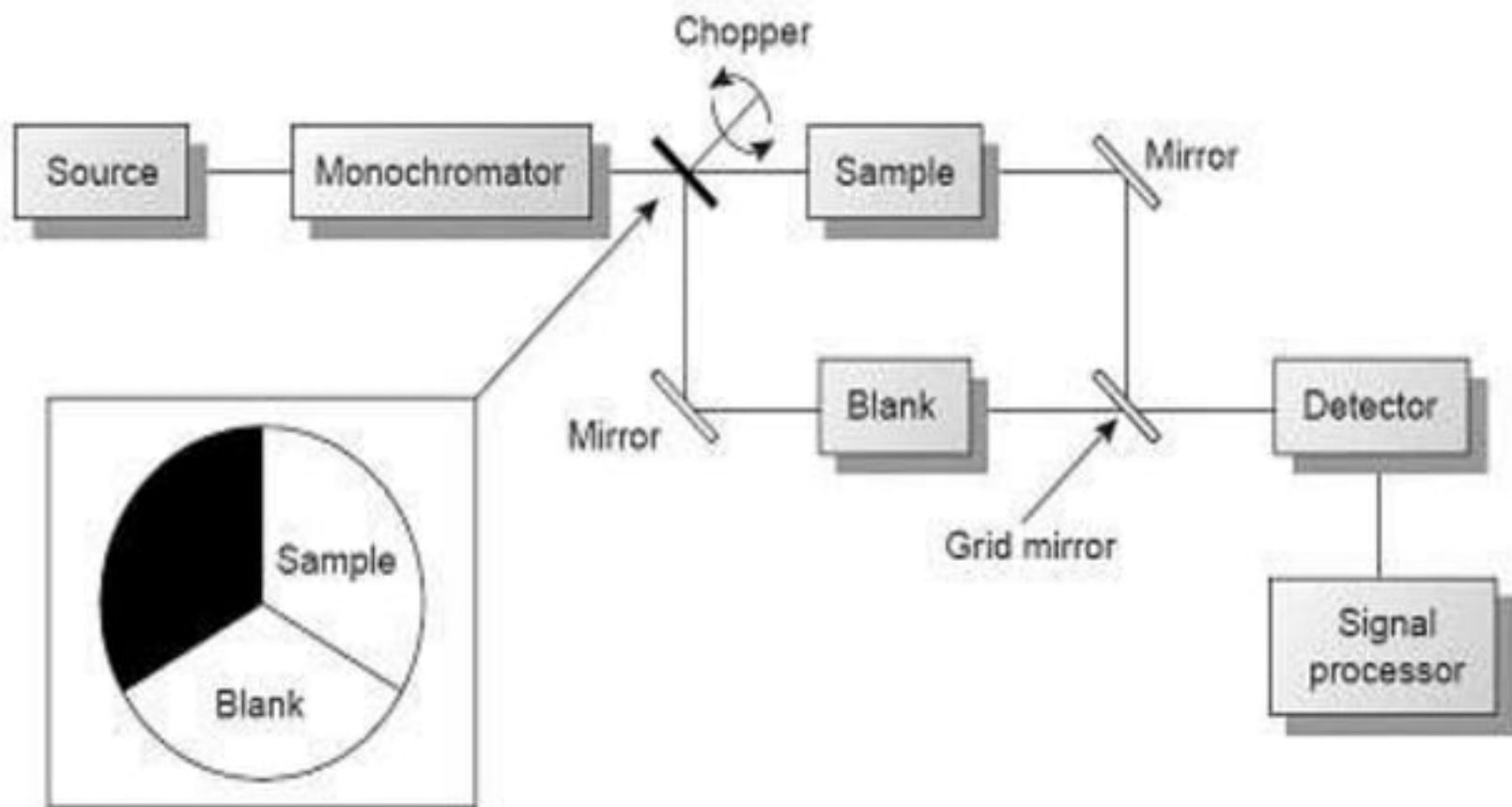
# Single beam spectrophotometer

- The single beam spectrophotometer was **the first invented**,
- all the light passes through the sample.
- In this case, to measure the intensity of the incident light, the sample must be removed so all the light can pass through.
- This type is cheaper because there are less parts and the system is less complicated.
- **low cost**,
- **high Sensitivity** , because the optical system is simple.
- The disadvantage is that an appreciable amount of Time elapses between taking the reference and Making the sample measurement



# Double beam spectrophotometer

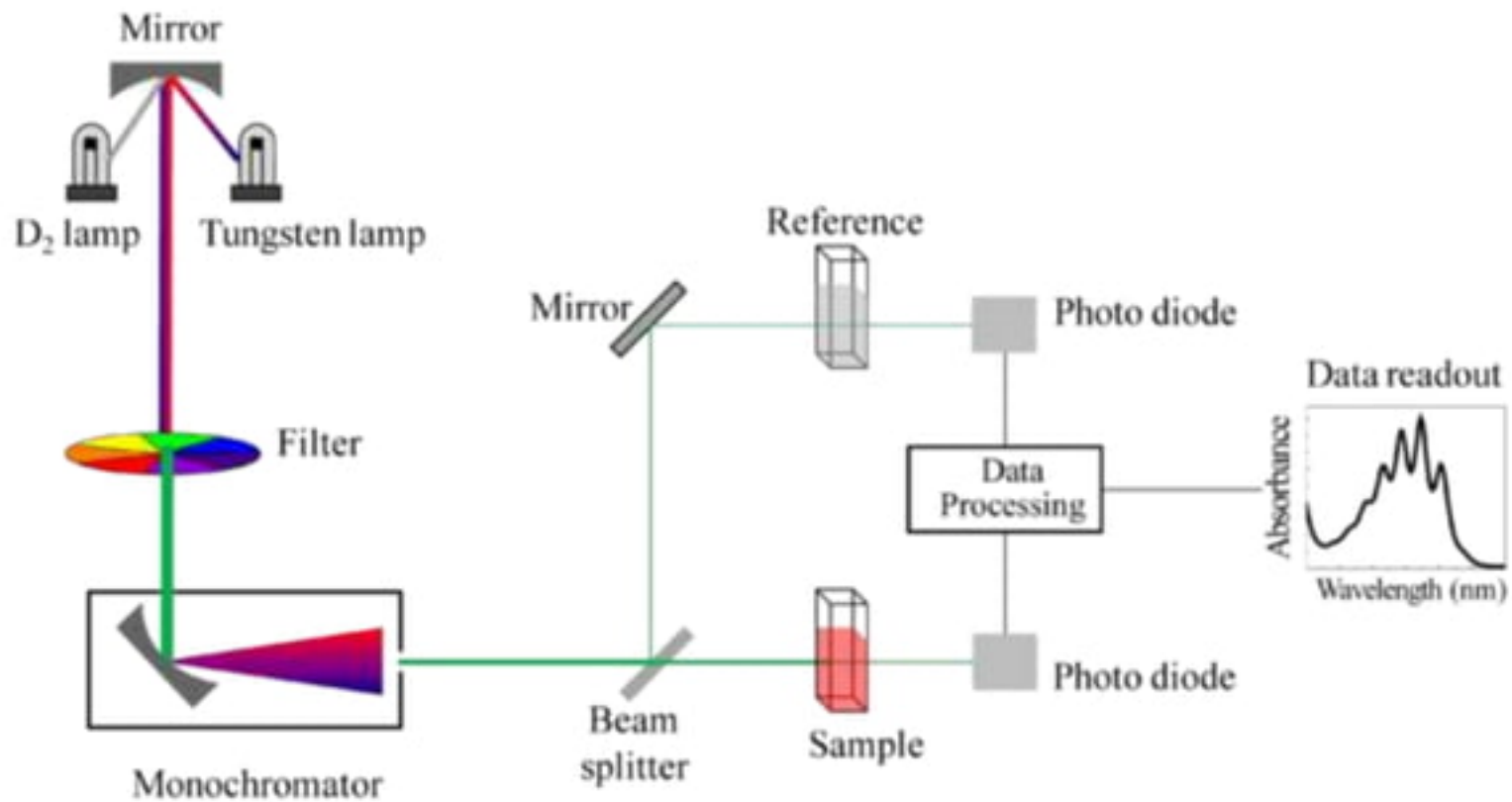
- The double beam instrument design aims to eliminate drift by measuring blank and sample virtually **simultaneously**.
- A chopper alternately transmits and reflects the light beam so that it travels down the blank and the sample optical paths to a single detector.
- **high stability** because reference and sample are measured virtually at the same moment in time.
- The disadvantages are  
**higher cost,**  
**lower sensitivity**



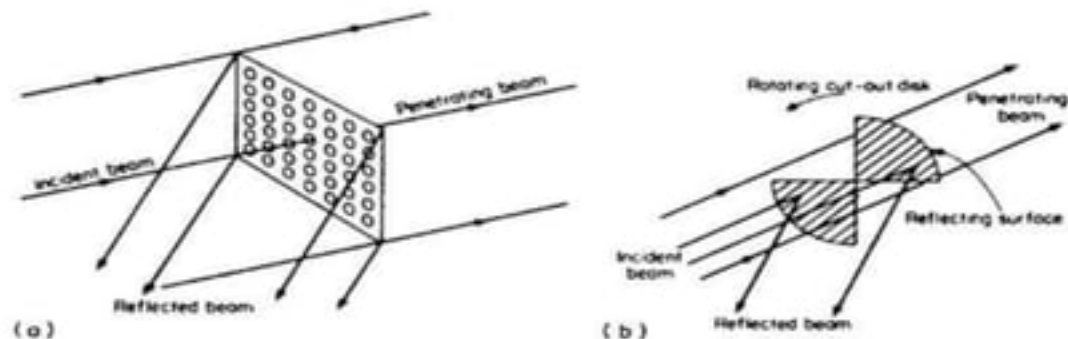
## Split beam spectrophotometer

- The split beam spectrophotometer is similar to the double beam spectrophotometer but it uses a **beam splitter** instead of a chopper.
- Thus blank and sample measurements can be made at the same moment in time.
- Spectra are measured in the same way as with a double beam spectrophotometer.
- The advantage of this design is good stability,.





# Beam splitter and chopper



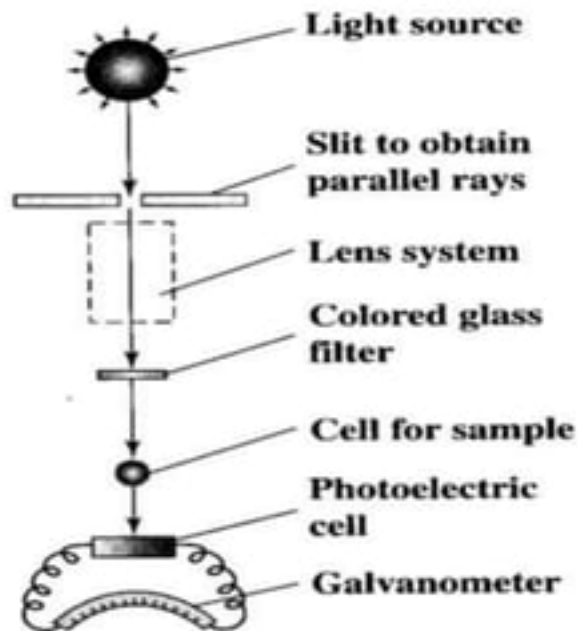
**Figure 2.29** (a) Plate beam splitter. (b) Rotating disk beam splitter (or *chopper*).

What is the difference between colorimeter and spectrophotometer

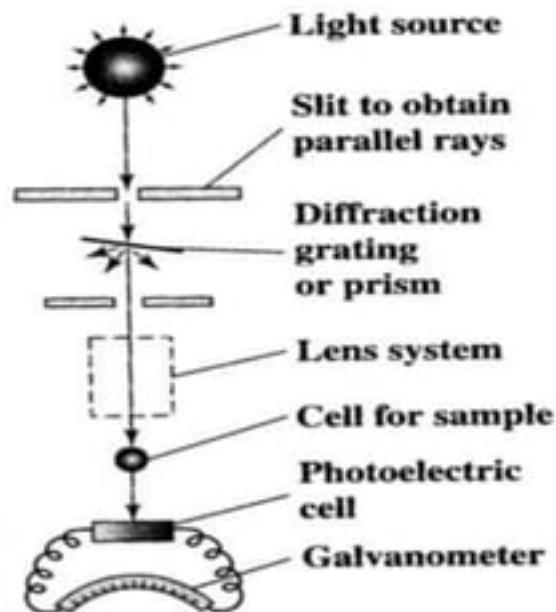
# Difference between colorimeter and spectrophotometer

| Colorimeter   | Spectrophotometer  |
|---|--|
| Colorimeter is the <b>general type</b>  | Spectrophotometer is the <u>specific</u> type.   |
| Both of them measure color and intensity of color through light.  |  |
| Basic method of operation is similar for all instruments.   |  |
| colorimeter utilizes a <b>three color source</b> (Red, green, and blue) generated by either a <b>color wheel</b> with <b>colored filters</b> or, sets of <b>specially designed LEDs</b> . | Spectrophotometer utilizes either a <b>diffraction grating</b> or <b>prism</b> in the sensor |
| Colorimeter is <u>limited</u> to the <b>visible light</b> only with WL 400-700 nm   | spectrophotometer can be extended to x-ray, UV light, infrared and radiofrequencies          |

# Colorimeter - Spectrophotometer



**Figure 11.3**  
Schematic diagram of a photoelectric colorimeter.



**Figure 11.5**  
Schematic diagram of a spectrophotometer.



ANY  
questions?



*Thank You*