



광전자공학 Ch. 6

# Optics of Solids

## Absorption and Dispersion

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# EM waves in various materials

Source free Maxwell equation  
for general media

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t}$$

Optical characteristics of media is  
determined by **constitutive relations!**

$$\mathbf{D} = \varepsilon \mathbf{E} = \varepsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H} = \mu_0 \mathbf{H} + \mu_0 \mathbf{M}$$

Non-zero  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{M}$

$\mathbf{P}$  : polarization density

$\mathbf{M}$  : Magnetization density

It will be no more simple as vacuum..

# Material classification



Simple



Complicate

Homogeneous

Inhomogeneous

Non-dispersive

Dispersive

Linear

Nonlinear

Lossless

Lossy

Isotropic

Anisotropic

Spatially-  
nondispersive

Spatially-  
dispersive



# EM wave in material

## 1. Linear, isotropic, homogeneous, nondispersive media

$$\mathbf{P} = \varepsilon_0 \chi \mathbf{E} \quad \mathbf{D} = \varepsilon_0 (1 + \chi) \mathbf{E} = \varepsilon \mathbf{E} = \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_r \mathbf{E}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H} = \mu_0 \mu_r \mathbf{H}$$

$\varepsilon_r$  : relative permittivity, dielectric constant

$\mu_r$  : relative permeability

The wave equation can be written as,

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} = 0 \quad c = \frac{c_0}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_r \mu_r}} = \frac{c_0}{n}$$

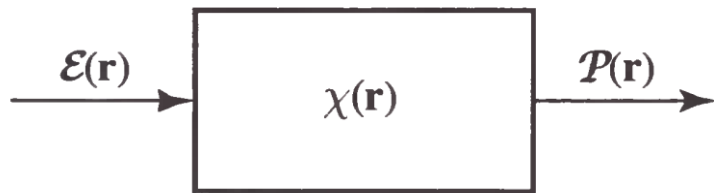


Ex. Pure water

The velocity of light is simply reduced with a factor of  $n$

# Inhomogeneous media

## 2. Linear, isotropic, **inhomogeneous**, nondispersive media



The permittivity is space-dependent

$$\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon_0 (1 + \chi(\mathbf{r})) \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} + \nabla \left( \frac{\nabla \varepsilon(\mathbf{r})}{\varepsilon(\mathbf{r})} \cdot \mathbf{E} \right) - \mu_0 \varepsilon(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} = 0 \quad \text{Inhomogeneous wave equation (HW\#1)}$$

Slow varying  $\varepsilon(\mathbf{r})$

Weak perturbation of  $n$

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \frac{n^2(\mathbf{r})}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \frac{(n + \Delta n)^2}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

Perturbed by  $\Delta n$

$$\rightarrow \nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \frac{n^2}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2 2n\Delta n \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2}$$

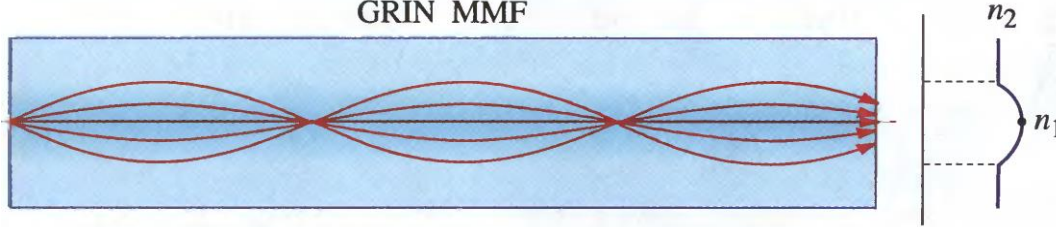
homogeneous wave Eq.



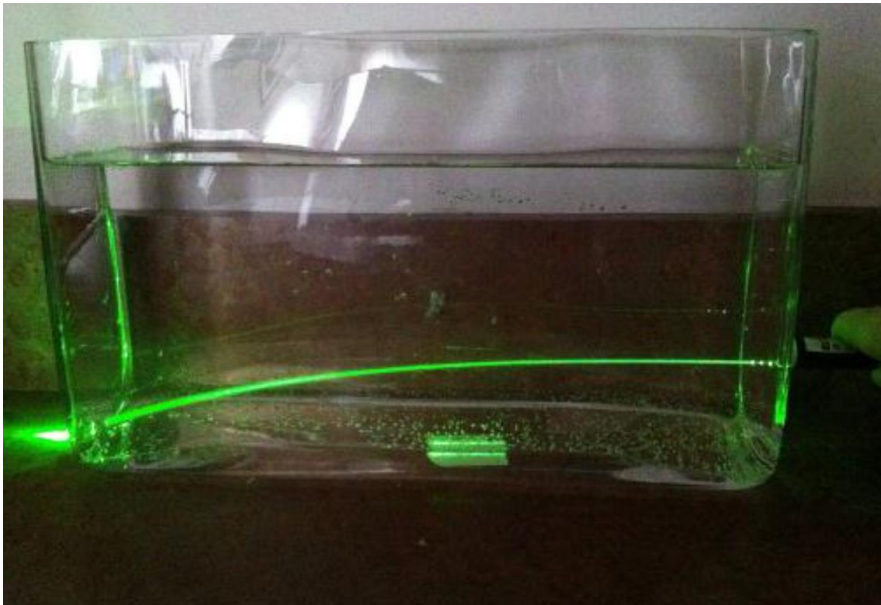
# Inhomogeneous media

Ex. Graded index lens, Graded index fiber

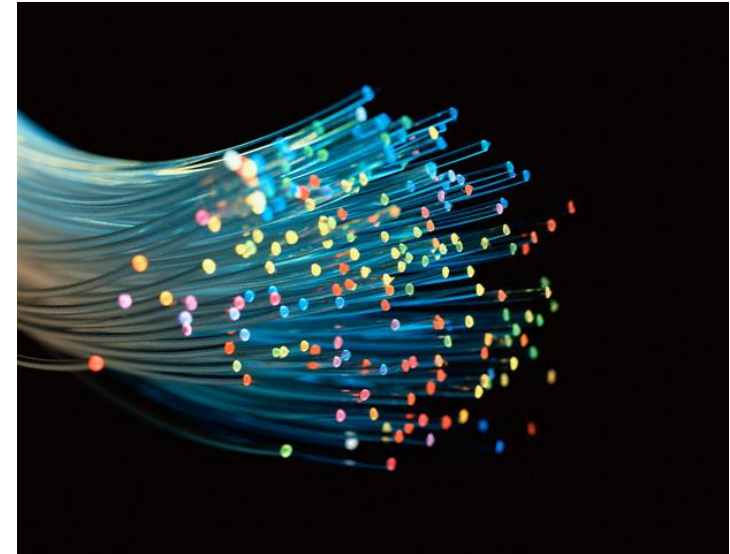
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Ex. Graded index formed by sugar water



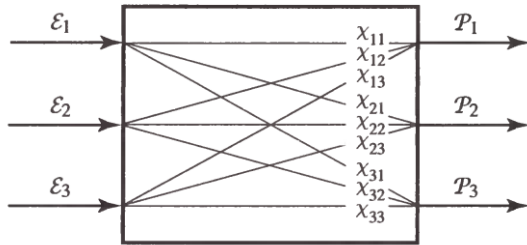
Optical fiber?



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# Anisotropic media

## 3. Linear, **anisotropic**, homogeneous, nondispersive media



The permittivity is dependent to E field vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} D_x \\ D_y \\ D_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{xx} & \epsilon_{xy} & \epsilon_{xz} \\ \epsilon_{yx} & \epsilon_{yy} & \epsilon_{yz} \\ \epsilon_{zx} & \epsilon_{zy} & \epsilon_{zz} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ E_z \end{bmatrix}$$

In anisotropic material, Light propagates in different ways according to its polarization state

Ex. Liquid crystals, Calcite

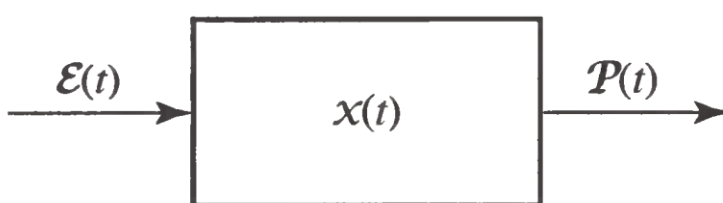
These materials will be discussed in Ch. 6



# Dispersive media

## 4. Linear, isotropic, homogeneous, **dispersive** media

In dispersive media,  $\mathbf{D}$  is time-delayed according to the input signal of  $\mathbf{E}$ .  
(mainly caused by delayed response of molecule oscillation)



A block diagram showing an input signal  $\mathcal{E}(t)$  entering a box labeled  $\chi(t)$ , with an output signal  $\mathcal{P}(t)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{D}(t) &= \varepsilon_0 \mathbf{E}(t) + \mathbf{P}(t) \\ &= \varepsilon_0 \int_{-\infty}^t (1 + \chi(t - \tau)) \mathbf{E}(\tau) d\tau\end{aligned}$$

An arrow points from the term  $\chi(t - \tau)$  in the equation to the label  $\varepsilon_r(t - \tau)$ .

Convolution in time domain = simple multiplication in frequency domain

Ex. Colored glass, metals

$$\mathbf{D}(\omega) = \varepsilon(\omega) \mathbf{E}(\omega)$$





# Nonlinear media

## 5. **Nonlinear**, isotropic, homogeneous, nondispersive media

In nonlinear media,  $\mathbf{D}$  and  $\mathbf{E}$  is no more linear function

$$\mathbf{D} = \varepsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P}$$

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \mu_0 \varepsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} = \mu_0 \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{P}}{\partial t^2} \longleftarrow \mathbf{P} = \alpha_1 \mathbf{E} + \alpha_2 \mathbf{E}^2 \dots$$

Most media contains nonlinear functionalities when  $\mathbf{E}$  is very strong. Because higher order coefficients are very small compared to linear one, nonlinear characteristics usually appear for very strong intensity.

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# Absorption and Dispersion

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# Lossy media (absorption)

We turn back to the simplest dielectric case

$\mathbf{D} = \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_r \mathbf{E}$  Consider  $\varepsilon_r$  is a complex number of  $\varepsilon' + j\varepsilon''$

A plane wave solution can be written as (propagating z),

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \mu_0 \varepsilon_0 (\varepsilon' + j\varepsilon'') \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathbf{E} = E_0 \exp(j\omega t - jkz)$$
$$k = \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \varepsilon_0 (\varepsilon' + j\varepsilon'')} = \left( \beta - j\frac{1}{2}\alpha \right)$$

A plane wave solution can be written as,

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\alpha z\right) \exp(j\omega t - j\beta z)$$

Propagation term

Loss term

# Weakly absorbing media

Weakly absorbing media,

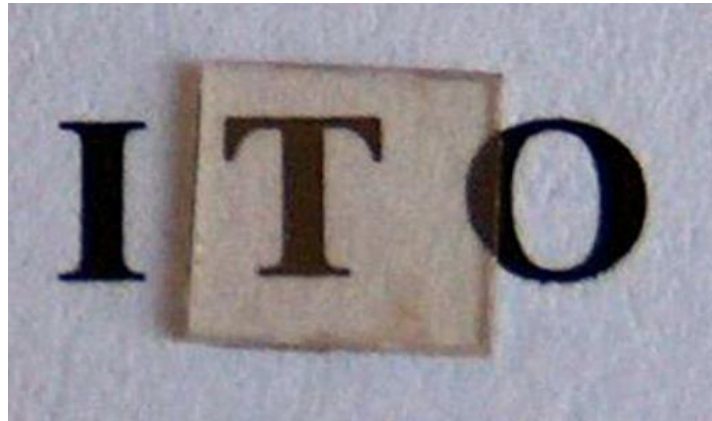
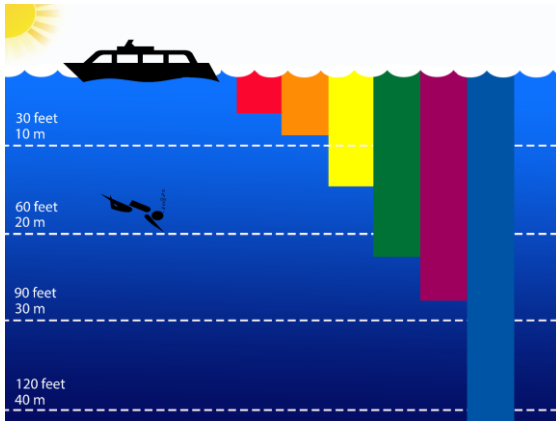
$$\varepsilon' + j\varepsilon'' \quad |\varepsilon'| \gg |\varepsilon''|$$

$$k = \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \varepsilon_0 (\varepsilon' + j\varepsilon'')} \approx \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon'} \left( 1 + j \frac{\varepsilon''}{2\varepsilon'} \right)$$

$$\beta = nk_0 = \sqrt{\varepsilon'}$$

$$\alpha = -k_0 \varepsilon'' / \sqrt{\varepsilon'}$$

Ex. Sea water, ITO



# Strongly absorbing media

Strongly absorbing media,

$$\varepsilon' + j\varepsilon'' \quad |\varepsilon'| \ll |\varepsilon''|$$

$$k = \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \varepsilon_0 (\cancel{\varepsilon'} + j\varepsilon'')} \approx \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \varepsilon_0 |\varepsilon''|} \frac{1+j}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\beta = k_0 \sqrt{|\varepsilon''|}$$

$$\alpha = 2k_0 \sqrt{|\varepsilon''|}$$

Ex. Metal, Si etc.

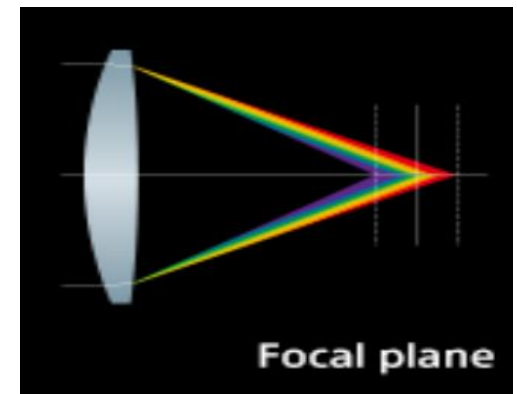
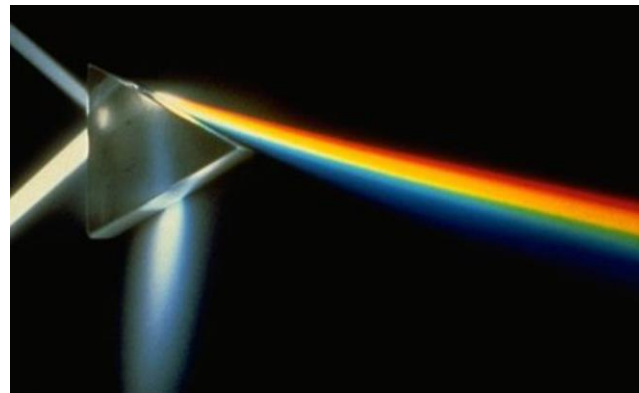
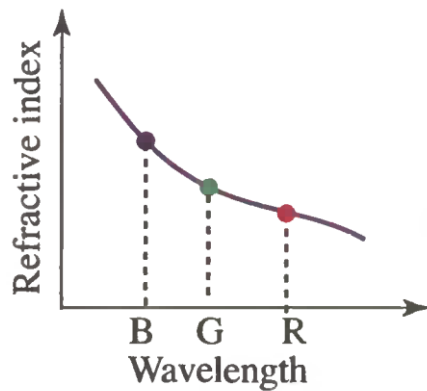




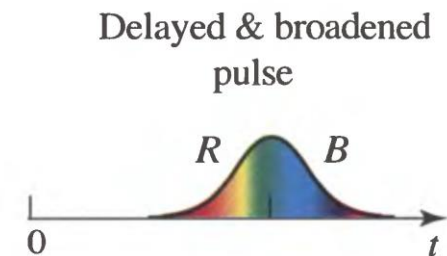
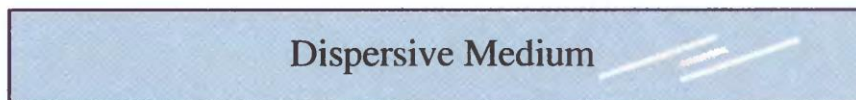
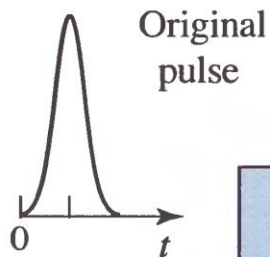
# Dispersion

Dispersive materials have frequency-dependent permittivity!

$$\mathbf{D}(\omega) = \varepsilon(\omega)\mathbf{E}(\omega) = \varepsilon_0 (1 + \chi(\omega))\mathbf{E}(\omega)$$

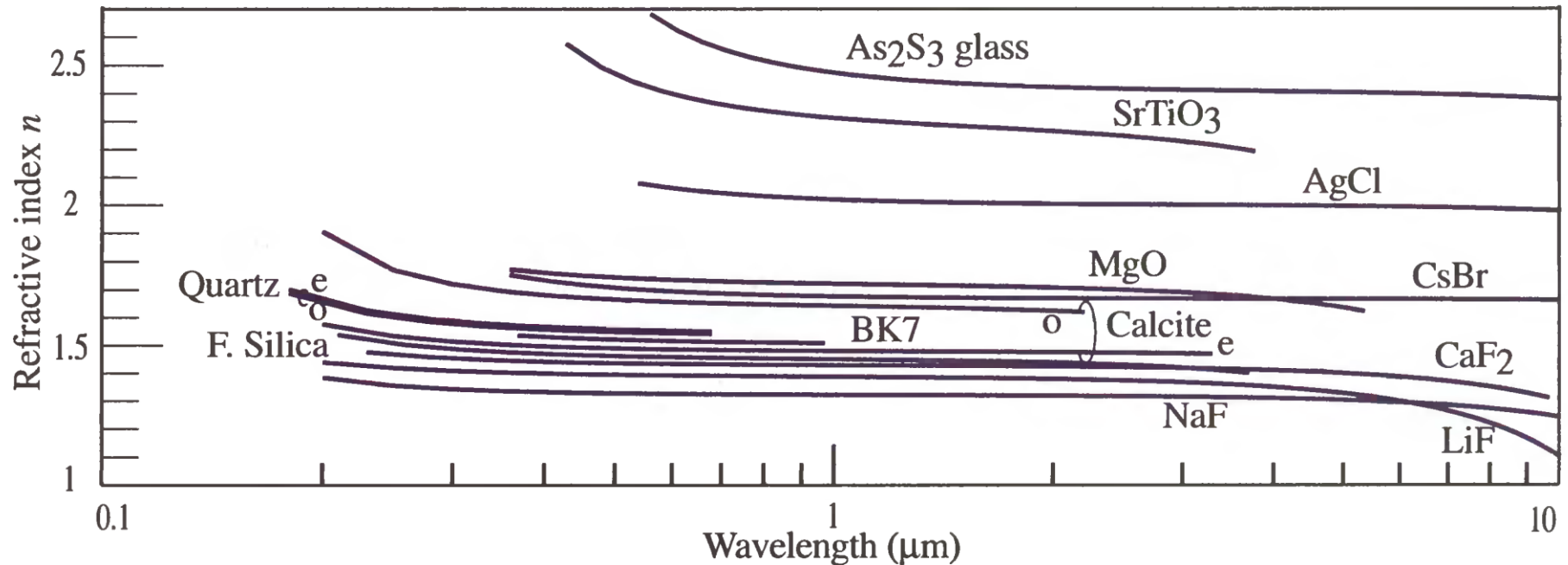


Pulse broadening by dispersion



# Dispersion of dielectric material

Most materials have higher refractive index for blue wavelength



But why? (HW #2)

Hint, if you understand Lorentz resonance model and Kramers–Kronig relation, you may find the answer.



# Measuring the material dispersion

Abbe number : indicate the broad region of dispersion covering whole visible range (parameter for lens, camera, etc.)

$$V = \frac{n_g - 1}{n_b - n_r}$$

Blue, green, and red wavelengths for  
486.1 nm 587.6 nm and 656.3 nm

Material dispersion at specific wavelength  $\frac{dn}{d\lambda}$

$\frac{dn}{d\lambda} < 0$  Normal dispersion

$\frac{dn}{d\lambda} > 0$  Anomalous dispersion

# The Kramers–Kronig relation

Material absorption and dispersion are intimately related

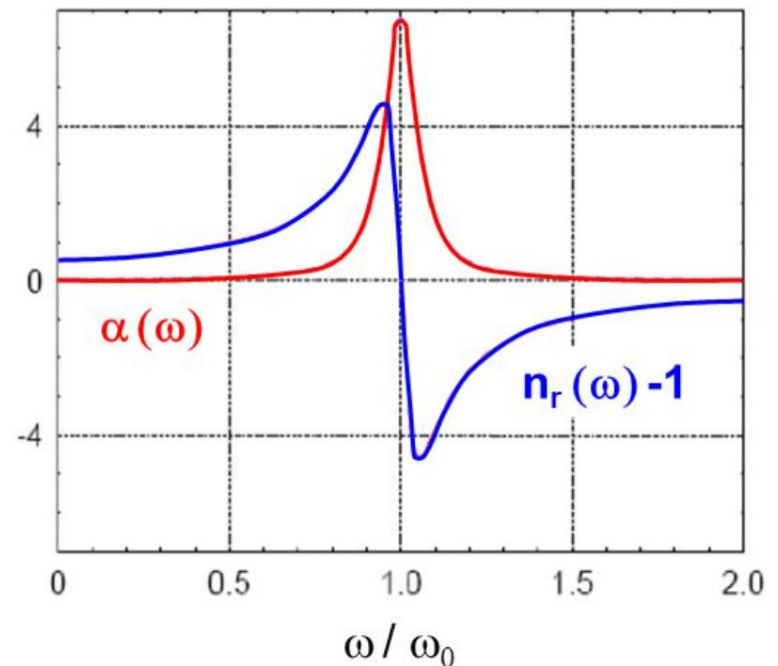
If there is a linear complex function  $\chi(\omega)$  where causality is satisfied,

The real and imaginary part of  $\chi(\omega) = \chi'(\omega) + j\chi''(\omega)$  must satisfy the following relation.

$$\chi'(\omega) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{s \chi''(s)}{s^2 - \omega^2} ds$$

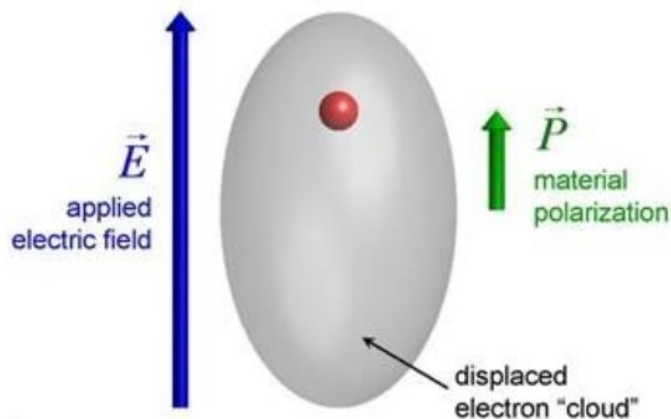
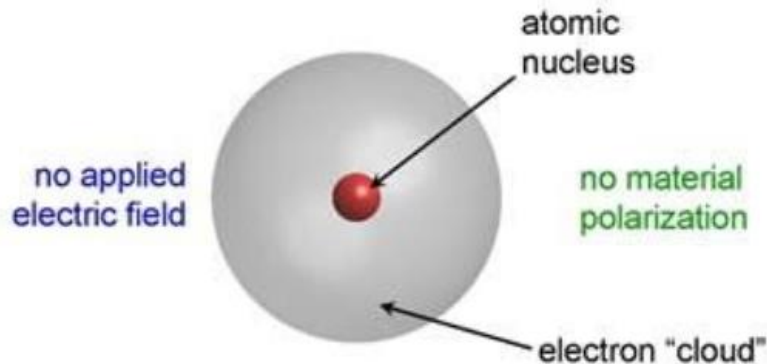
$$\chi''(\omega) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\omega \chi'(s)}{s^2 - \omega^2} ds$$

A dispersive material **must be** absorptive



# The Lorentz oscillator model

The atom of certain material consists of nucleus and electron cloud.



External electric field may displace the electron cloud to have a polarization field.

Lorentz oscillator model simplify this phenomenon into the second order differential equation,

$$\frac{d^2 \mathbf{P}(t)}{dt^2} + \sigma \frac{d\mathbf{P}(t)}{dt} + \omega_0^2 \mathbf{P}(t) = \omega_0^2 \epsilon_0 \chi_0 \mathbf{E}(t)$$

Determined by material

$$\chi_0 = \frac{Ne^2}{\epsilon_0 m_e \omega_0^2}$$





# The Lorentz oscillator model

$$\frac{d^2 \mathbf{P}(t)}{dt^2} + \sigma \frac{d\mathbf{P}(t)}{dt} + \omega_0^2 \mathbf{P}(t) = \omega_0^2 \varepsilon_0 \chi_0 \mathbf{E}(t)$$

Substitute,  $\mathbf{P}(t) = \mathbf{P} \exp(j\omega t)$ ,  $\mathbf{E}(t) = \mathbf{E} \exp(j\omega t)$

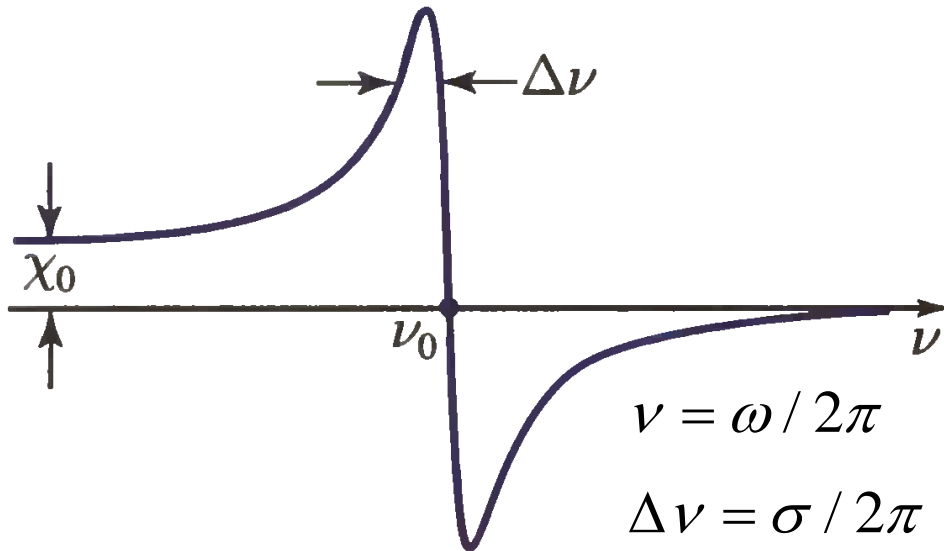
$$(-\omega^2 + j\omega\sigma + \omega_0^2) \mathbf{P} = \omega_0^2 \varepsilon_0 \chi_0 \mathbf{E}$$

$$\mathbf{P}(\omega) = \varepsilon_0 \chi(\omega) \mathbf{E}(\omega) = \varepsilon_0 \chi_0 \frac{\omega_0^2}{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 + j\omega\sigma)} \mathbf{E}(\omega)$$

# The Lorentz oscillator model

Dispersion of almost dielectrics can be modeled by sum of Lorentz oscillator models.

$$\chi'(\nu)$$

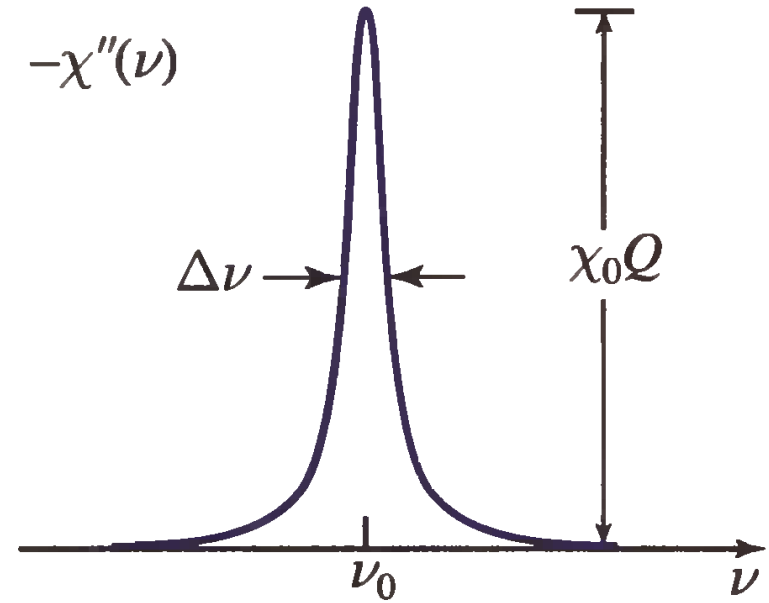


$$\nu = \omega / 2\pi$$

$$\Delta\nu = \sigma / 2\pi$$

$$Q = \nu_0 / \Delta\nu$$

$$-\chi''(\nu)$$

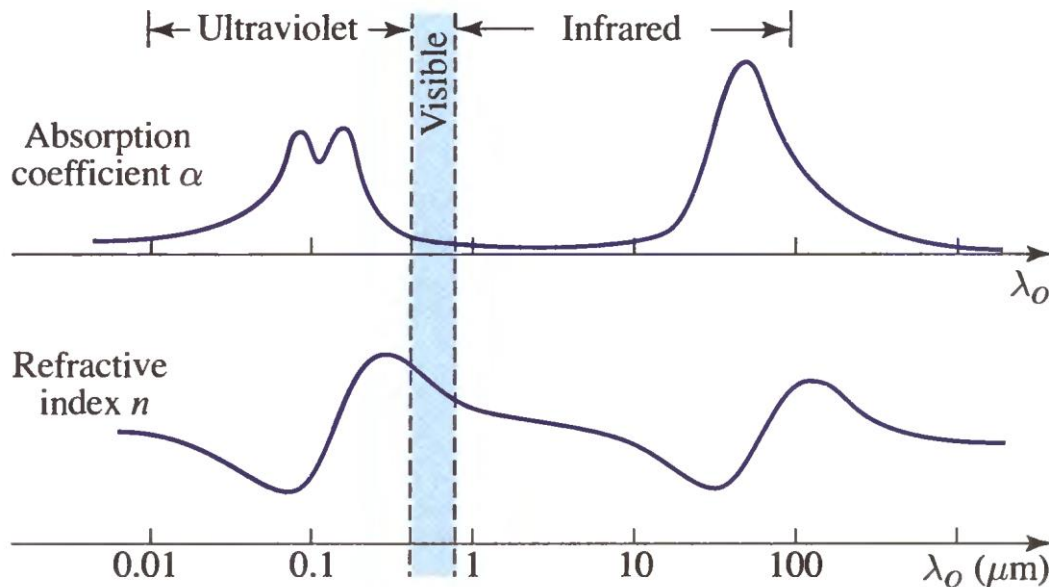


$$\alpha(\nu) \approx -\left(\frac{2\pi\nu}{n_0 c_0}\right) \chi''(\nu)$$

$$n(\nu) \approx n_0 + \frac{\chi'(\nu)}{2n_0}.$$

# The Sellmeier Equation

Materials have various types of resonances at different range of frequencies.



Low loss dielectrics does not have resonances at visible light range.

In usual, highly dispersive material is highly loss.

Can you know how normal & anomalous dispersion defined?

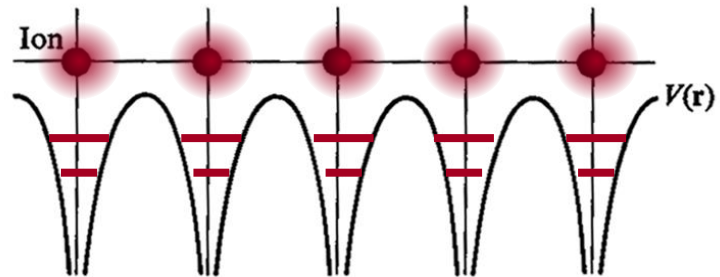
$$n^2 \approx 1 + \sum_i \chi_{0i} \frac{\nu_i^2}{\nu_i^2 - \nu^2} = 1 + \sum_i \chi_{0i} \frac{\lambda^2}{\lambda^2 - \lambda_i^2}.$$

# Dispersion in conductive media

In conductive media like metals, electron clouds are not bounded near the nucleus. → **Free electrons instead of bounded electrons**

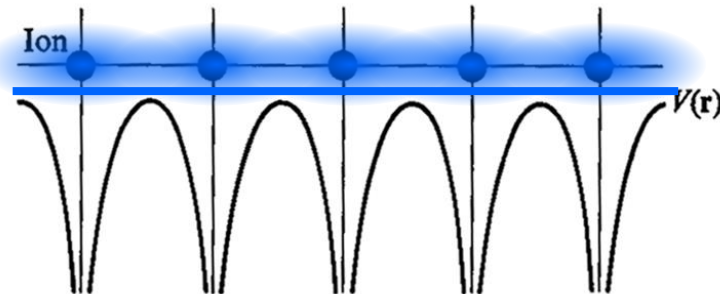
- Dielectric – Lorentz model (electrons are bound to atom core)

$$\varepsilon(\omega) = 1 + \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - i\Gamma\omega}$$



- Metal – Drude model (electrons are not bound to atom core; free-electron)

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



# The Drude model

In conductive media like metals, electron clouds are not bounded near the nucleus. → **Free electrons instead of bounded electrons**

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = j\omega\mathbf{D} + \mathbf{J}, \quad \leftarrow \quad \mathbf{J} = \sigma\mathbf{E},$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = j\omega\left(\epsilon + \frac{\sigma}{j\omega}\right)\mathbf{E} \quad \leftarrow \quad \text{Effective permittivity of metal}$$

For low frequency,  $\mathbf{J}$  is proportional to  $\mathbf{E}$  instantaneously,  
But in optical region,  $\mathbf{J}$  is time-delayed due to the relaxation time of electron,

$$\sigma = \frac{\sigma_0}{1 + j\omega\tau}$$



# The Drude model

For optical frequency,

$$\varepsilon_m = \varepsilon + \frac{\sigma_0}{j\omega(1 + j\omega\tau)} \approx \varepsilon_0 \left(1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}\right)$$

It can also be modeled as removing the restoring (and damping) parameters from Lorentz model

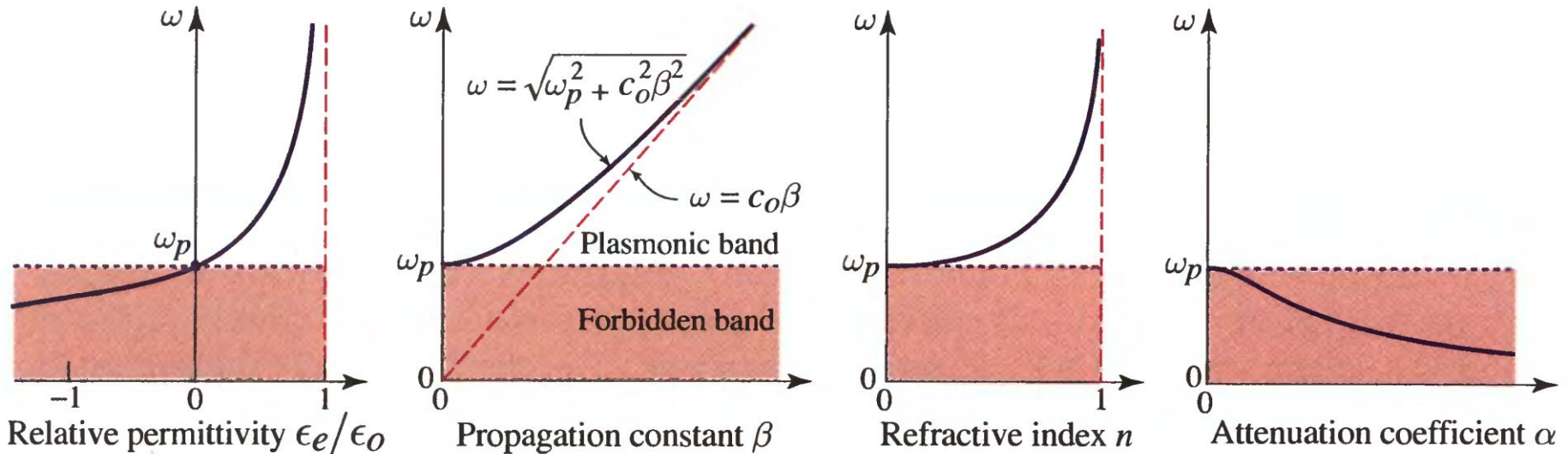
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$$\mathbf{P}(\omega) = \varepsilon_0 \chi(\omega) \mathbf{E}(\omega) = -\varepsilon_0 \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \mathbf{E}(\omega)$$

Plasma frequency

$$\omega_p = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_0}{\varepsilon_0 \tau}} = \sqrt{\frac{Ne^2}{\varepsilon_0 m_e}}$$

# The Drude model



1. Metal reflects light far below the plasma frequency.
2. Metal oscillates with light (and strongly absorb) near the plasma frequency.
3. Extremely short UVs and X-rays can easily pass through the most of metals.
4. In doped semiconductor, plasma frequency is laid on infrared region.