# Spectroscopy

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## Introduction

 The beautiful phenomenon of "RAINBOW" was the first dispersed spectrum.

 1665 - Newton took the first & most important step towards the development of spectroscopy.

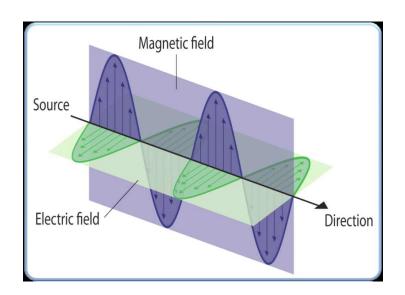
### Introduction

#### Some important definitions:

- Spectroscopy: Study of interaction of matter and electromagnetic radiation.
- –Spectrometry: an analytical technique in which emission (of particle/radiation) is dispersed according to some property of the emission and the amount of dispersion is measured. eg. mass spectrometry.
- Spectrophotometry: a quantifiable study of electromagnetic spectra.
- Spectrography: another name for spectroscopy.

• Electromagnetic radiation consist of discrete packages of energy which are called as photons.

 A photon consists of an oscillating electric field (E) & an oscillating magnetic field (M) which are perpendicular to each other.



#### Frequency (v):

It is defined as the number of times electrical field radiation oscillates in one second.

The unit for frequency is Hertz (Hz).

1 Hz = 1 cycle per second

#### Wavelength (λ):

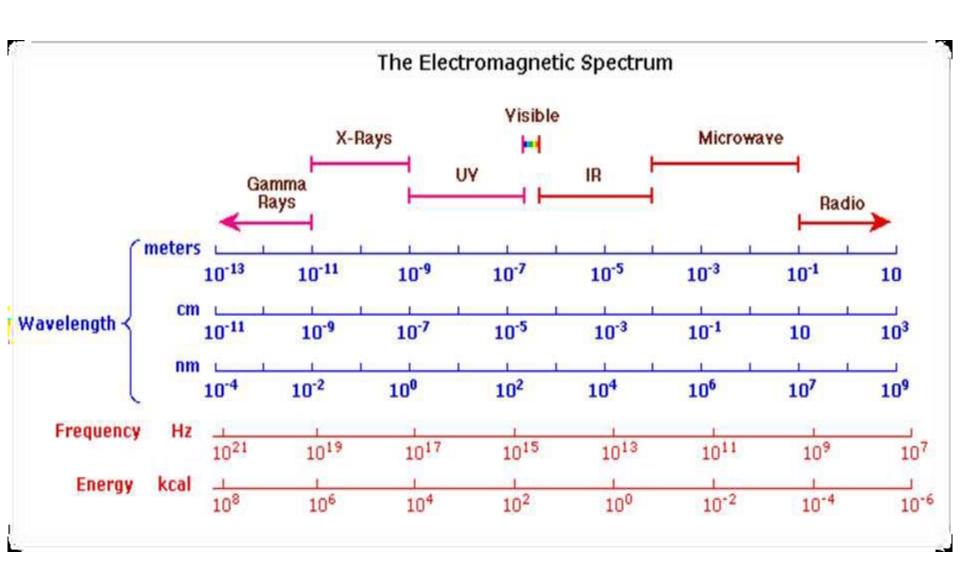
It is the distance between two nearest parts of the wave in the same phase i.e. distance between two nearest crest or troughs.

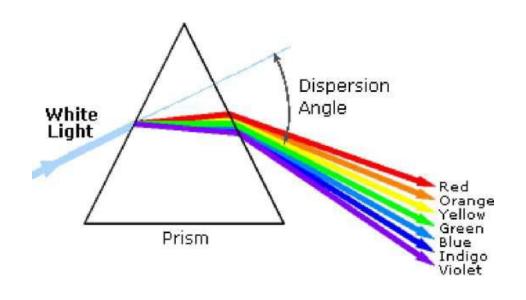
 The relationship between wavelength & frequency can be written as:

$$c = v \lambda$$

As photon is subjected to energy, so

$$E = h v = h c / \lambda$$





Violet	400 - 420 nm	Yellow	570 - 585 nm
Indigo	420 - 440 nm	Orange	585 - 620 nm
Blue	440 - 490 nm	Red	620 - 780 nm
Green	490 - 570 nm		

### **Principles of Spectroscopy**

- The principle is based on the measurement of spectrum of a sample containing atoms / molecules.
- Spectrum is a graph of intensity of absorbed or emitted radiation by sample verses frequency (v) or wavelength ( $\lambda$ ).
- Spectrometer is an instrument design to measure the spectrum of a compound.

### **Principles of Spectroscopy**

#### 1. Absorption Spectroscopy:

An analytical technique which concerns with the measurement of absorption of electromagnetic radiation.

• e.g. UV (185 - 400 nm) / Visible (400 - 800 nm) Spectroscopy, IR Spectroscopy (0.76 - 15 μm)

### **Principles of Spectroscopy**

#### 2. Emission Spectroscopy:

An analytical technique in which emission (of a particle or radiation) is dispersed according to some property of the emission & the amount of dispersion is measured.

e.g. Mass Spectroscopy

#### Interaction of EMR with matter

- 1. Electronic Energy Levels:
- At room temperature the molecules are in the lowest energy levels  $E_0$ .
- When the molecules absorb UV-visible light from EMR, one of the outermost bond / lone pair electron is promoted to higher energy state such as  $E_1$ ,  $E_2$ , ... $E_n$ , etc is called as electronic transition and the difference is as:
- $\Delta E = h v = E_n E_0$  where (n = 1, 2, 3, ... etc.)  $\Delta E = 35$  to 71 kcal/mole

#### Interaction of EMR with matter

- 2. Vibrational Energy Levels:
- These are less energy level than electronic energy levels.

- The spacing between energy levels are relatively small i.e. 0.01 to 10 kcal/mole.
- e.g. when IR radiation is absorbed, molecules are excited from one vibrational level to another or it vibrates with higher amplitude.

#### Interaction of EMR with matter

3. Rotational Energy Levels:

These energy levels are quantized & discrete.

 The spacing between energy levels are even smaller than vibrational energy levels.

ΔErotational < ΔEvibrational < ΔEelectronic

#### Lambert's Law

• When a monochromatic radiation is passed through a solution, the decrease in the intensity of radiation with thickness of the solution is directly proportional to the intensity of the incident light.

Let I be the intensity of incident radiation.
 x be the thickness of the solution.

#### Then

### Lambert's Law

$$-\frac{dI}{dx}\alpha I$$
So, 
$$-\frac{dI}{dx} = KI$$
Integrate equation between limit 
$$I = Io \text{ at } x = 0 \text{ and }$$

$$I = I \text{ at } x = 1,$$
We get,
$$\frac{I}{I_o} = -KI$$

### Lambert's Law

$$2.303 \log \frac{I}{I_o} = -KI$$

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Where,  $\log \frac{I_o}{I} = A$  Absorbance
$$\frac{K}{2.303} = E$$
 Absorption coefficient
$$A = E.I$$
 Lambert's Law

- When a monochromatic radiation is passed through a solution, the decrease in the intensity of radiation with thickness of the solution is directly proportional to the intensity of the incident light as well as concentration of the solution.
- Let I be the intensity of incident radiation.
- x be the thickness of the solution.
- C be the concentration of the solution.

#### Then

$$-\frac{dI}{dx} \alpha C.I$$
So, 
$$-\frac{dI}{dx} = K'C.I$$
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Where,  $\log \frac{I_0}{I} = A$  Absorbance
$$\frac{K}{2.303} = E$$
 Molar extinction coefficient
$$A = E.C.I$$
 Beer's Law

$$A = E.C.l$$

From the equation it is seen that the absorbance which is also called as optical density (OD) of a solution in a container of fixed path length is directly proportional to the concentration of a solution.