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国外物理名著系列序言

对于国内的物理学工作者和青年学生来讲，研读国外优秀的物理学著作是系统掌握物理学知识的一个重要手段。但是，在国内并不能及时、方便地买到国外的图书，且国外图书不菲的价格往往令国内的读者却步，因此，把国外的优秀物理原著引进到国内，让国内的读者能够方便地以较低的价格购买是一项意义深远的工作，将有助于国内物理学工作者和青年学生掌握国际物理学的前沿知识，进而推动我国物理学科研究和教学的发展。

为了满足国内读者对国外优秀物理学著作的需求，科学出版社启动了引进国外优秀著作的工作，出版社的这一举措得到了国内物理学界的积极响应和支持，很快成立了专家委员会，开展了选题的推荐和筛选工作，在出版社初选的书单基础上确定了第一批引进的项目，这些图书几乎涉及了近代物理学的所有领域，既有阐述学科基本理论的经典名著，也有反映某一学科专题前沿的专著。在选择图书时，专家委员会遵循了以下原则：基础理论方面的图书强调“经典”，选择了那些经得起时间检验、对物理学的发展产生重要影响、现在还不“过时”的著作（如狄拉克的《量子力学原理》）。反映物理学某一领域进展的著作强调“前沿”和“热点”，根据国内物理学研究发展的实际情况，选择了能够体现相关学科最新进展，对有关方向的科研人员和研究生有重要参考价值的图书。这些图书都是最新版的，多数图书都是2000年以后出版的，还有相当一部分是当年出版的新书。因此，这套丛书具有权威性、前瞻性和应用性强的特点。由于国外出版社的要求，科学出版社对部分图书进行了少量的翻译和注释（主要是目录标题和练习题），但这并不会影响图书“原汁原味”的感觉，可能还会方便国内读者的阅读和理解。

“他山之石，可以攻玉”，希望这套丛书的出版能够为国内物理学工作者和青年学生的工作和学习提供参考，也希望国内更多专家参与到这一工作中来，推荐更多的好书。



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Preface

The present book – *Atomic and Molecular Spectroscopy – Basic Aspects and Practical Applications* – has been developed over a long time. The Third Edition, which appeared in 2001, was fully revised and updated to the state of the field at that time. The book appeared in hard cover well suited for individual and library use. However, the book is basically a text, also well suited as a base for a course on the topic. A lower-cost paper-back edition better serves such purposes, as did the Second (paper-back) Edition of the book. The Fourth Edition presented has now been corrected for misprints and contains some additional text. A number of important literature references up until mid-2003 have been added to provide a fully updated account of the dynamic field of Atomic and Molecular Spectroscopy.

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Sune Svanberg

Preface to the Third Edition

Atomic and molecular spectroscopy – both in its basic and in its applied aspects – is in a dynamic state of development. It continues to provide new fascinating possibilities for a deeper understanding of the fundamental properties of the building blocks of matter and their interaction with electromagnetic irradiation. It generates new possibilities for practical applications in industry, chemistry, astronomy, geosciences, biology, medicine and information technology.

Ten years after the appearance of the first edition there was a need for a thorough revision of the book, again bringing it up to the leading edge in the new millennium. This has led to a considerable extension of the material and thus of the size of the book. As previously, the focus has been on the physical understanding of the processes and phenomena, and on providing a broad overview of the possibilities of atomic and molecular spectroscopy. Thus, the mathematical description is frequently superficial – for the benefit of students and scientists in other natural sciences without a rigorous physics background. My belief is that the physical (and intuitive) understanding, when possible, is also the most important aspect for the hard-core physicist. The reader will find ample references to textbooks, review articles and research papers providing all the details on almost any topic in the field, and the reference list was, with considerable effort, updated till mid-2000 and in some cases till early 2001. This could still mean that important references are lacking, and I apologize to the authors for unfortunate omissions.

The reader who already knows the previous editions will notice that new material is added, particularly in the following fields: clusters, satellite remote sensing, astrophysical applications, the generation of ultrafast and ultraintense laser radiation, diode laser spectroscopy, ultrafast spectroscopy, femtochemistry, high-power laser-matter interaction, laser cooling and trapping, Bose-Einstein condensation, and lasers in environmental and medical research. Thus, it is felt that the book provides a rather extensive overview of the major spectroscopy fields.

In order to improve the usefulness of the book as a text for a course on the topic at the pre- or postgraduate level, a section of questions and exercises has been added. The material is presented following the chapters, and, in addition, material connecting wider areas is supplied. A detailed subject index

is also provided, helping the reader to easily find an entry to the introduction of a subfield and references to the relevant literature.

The author benefited a lot from the interaction with students and colleagues when developing this book. He is very grateful for comments and corrections.

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Preface to the First Edition

Atomic and molecular spectroscopy has provided basic information leading to the development of quantum mechanics and to the understanding of the building blocks of matter. It continues to provide further insight into the statics and dynamics of the microcosmos, and provides the means for testing new concepts and computational methods. The results of atomic and molecular spectroscopy are of great importance in astrophysics, plasma and laser physics. The rapidly growing field of spectroscopic applications has made considerable impact on many disciplines, including medicine, environmental protection, chemical processing and energy research. In particular, the techniques of electron and laser spectroscopy, the subjects of the 1981 Nobel prize in physics, have contributed much to the analytical potential of spectroscopy.

This textbook on *Atomic and Molecular Spectroscopy* has been prepared to provide an overview of modern spectroscopic methods. It is intended to serve as a text for a course on the subject for final-year undergraduate physics students or graduate students. It should also be useful for students of astrophysics and chemistry. The text has evolved from courses on atomic and molecular spectroscopy given by the author since 1975 at Chalmers University of Technology and at the Lund Institute of Technology. References are given to important books and review articles which allow more detailed studies of different aspects of atomic and molecular spectroscopy. No attempt has been made to cover all important references, nor have priority aspects been systematically considered.

It is assumed that the reader has a basic knowledge of quantum mechanics and atomic physics. However, the completion of a specialized course on atomic and molecular physics is not required. The present treatise (disregarding Chap. 4) is not particularly mathematical, but emphasizes the physical understanding of the different techniques of spectroscopy. In the course given by the author, the time for solving calculational problems has been reduced to allow a more complete overview of the field in the time available. Particular emphasis has been given to technical applications. However, by increasing the allotted problem-solving time or by omitting certain areas of spectroscopy, a more problem-oriented course can easily be taught based on this book. In his courses, the author has combined lectures with a number of 5-hour

laboratory experiments (performed on research equipment) and a number of 1-2 hour visits to local research groups in physics, chemistry and astronomy.

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1. Introduction

By *spectroscopy* we usually mean experimental charting of the energy-level structure of physical systems. For that purpose, the transition processes, spontaneous or induced, between different energy states are studied and spectroscopy therefore normally means analysis of various types of radiation – electromagnetic or particle emission. Spectroscopic investigations can be of a fundamental or an applied nature. In fundamental spectroscopy experimentally determined energy levels, transition probabilities, etc. are employed for obtaining an understanding of the studied systems using adequate theories or models. Usually, certain primary quantities (wavelengths, intensities, etc.) are measured in spectroscopic investigations. These quantities are then used to evaluate more fundamental quantities. This process is schematically illustrated in Fig. 1.1.

Fundamental quantities, such as wavelengths and transition probabilities, determined using spectroscopy, for atoms and molecules are of direct importance in several disciplines such as astrophysics, plasma and laser physics. Here, as in many fields of applied spectroscopy, the spectroscopic information can be used in various kinds of analysis. For instance, optical atomic absorption or emission spectroscopy is used for both qualitative and quantitative chemical analysis. Other types of spectroscopy, e.g. electron spectroscopy methods or nuclear magnetic resonance, also provide information on the chemical environment in which a studied atom is situated. Tunable lasers have had a major impact on both fundamental and applied spectroscopy. New fields of applied laser spectroscopy include remote sensing of the environment, medical applications, combustion diagnostics, laser-induced chemistry and isotope separation.

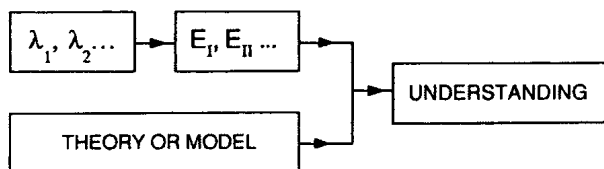


Fig. 1.1. The spectroscopic process

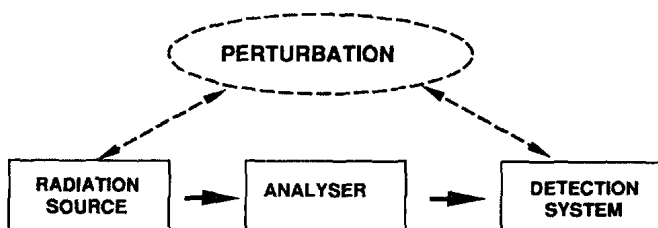


Fig. 1.2. Basic arrangement of a spectroscopic set-up

Dynamic properties of atomic and molecular systems can be studied by time-resolved spectroscopy. The recent availability of compact high-power lasers has allowed a quickly expanding research activity in ultra-intense laser-matter interaction, also offering many new challenges for theory.

In principle, a set-up for spectral studies consists of three components: a radiation source, an analyser and a detection system. In many modern techniques the system under investigation is subjected to different types of static or oscillatory fields and the influence of these fields on the system is studied in order to obtain a more complete picture of the system. Resonance methods are of special importance since they provide high accuracy in the determination of small energy splittings. The basic arrangement of a spectroscopic set-up is shown in Fig. 1.2.

The choice of spectroscopic method is primarily determined by the energy range of the phenomenon to be studied. In Fig. 1.3 the spectral ranges that

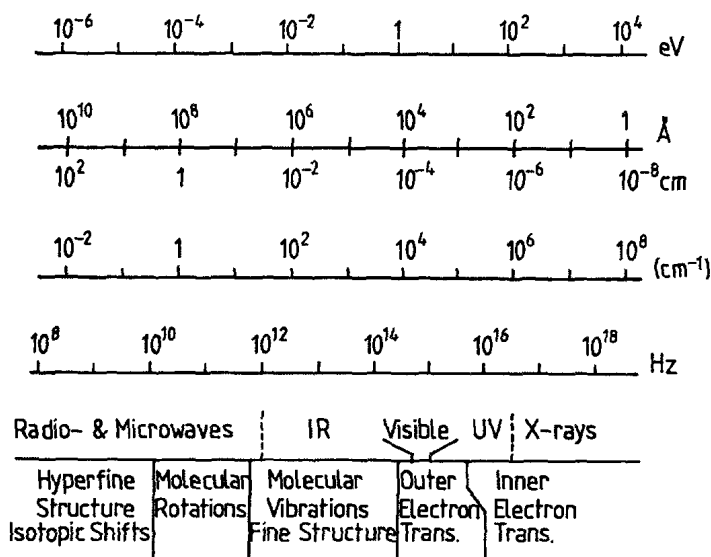


Fig. 1.3. Energy scales and spectroscopic phenomena

Table 1.1. Conversion factors between different energy units

Unit	Joule	cm^{-1}	Hz	eV
1 Joule (1 J)	1	5.03378×10^{22}	1.50919×10^{33}	6.24150×10^{18}
1 cm^{-1}	1.98658×10^{-23}	1	2.99792×10^{10}	1.23992×10^{-4}
1 Hz	6.62608×10^{-34}	3.33565×10^{-11}	1	4.13567×10^{-15}
1 eV	1.60218×10^{-19}	8.06502×10^3	2.41799×10^{14}	1

are of interest in atomic and molecular spectroscopy are shown. The energy ranges for different types of structures and transitions are also indicated. Using the simple relations

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \Delta E = h\nu, & \lambda = c/\nu, & 1/\lambda = \nu/c, & \nu = c(1/\lambda), & & & (1.1) \\ \text{Energy} & \text{Wavelength} & \text{Wavenumber} & \text{Frequency} & & & \end{array}$$

(h : Planck constant, c : velocity of light) an energy interval ΔE can be uniquely expressed in eV (energy), nm ($=10 \text{ \AA}$) (wavelength), cm^{-1} (wavenumber) or Hz (frequency). 1 cm^{-1} is sometimes called 1 Kayser. In Table 1.1 conversion factors between different units are given. The general field of scientific unit conversion is treated in [1.1]. The conversion factors are clearly connected to the values of the fundamental constants [1.2].

The choice of unit depends, to a great extent, on the energy region and on traditional factors:

X-ray region	keV ,
Visible and UV regions	nm , \AA (in solid-state physics: eV) ,
Infrared region	μm , cm^{-1} ,
Radio-frequency region	MHz , cm^{-1} .

It is practical to memorize the following approximate relations

$$1 \text{ eV} \longleftrightarrow 8000 \text{ cm}^{-1} \longleftrightarrow 1200 \text{ nm} ,$$

$$1 \text{ cm}^{-1} \longleftrightarrow 30 \text{ GHz} ,$$

and kT at $T = 300 \text{ K}$ (room temperature)

$$kT_{300} \simeq 1/40 \text{ eV} .$$

(k is the Boltzmann constant, and T is the absolute temperature).

Transitions between inner electron orbitals normally occur in the keV range (X-rays) while the energies for transitions between outer orbitals are in the eV region (visible or near-UV and IR regions). The fine structure of atoms is of the order of 10^{-3} eV ($\sim 10 \text{ cm}^{-1}$) and hyperfine structures are typically about 10^{-6} eV ($\sim 300 \text{ MHz}$). Molecular vibrational energies splittings are of the order of 10^{-1} eV , while rotational splittings are typically 10^{-3} eV . Of course, these energies vary widely and the above values are given only to provide a first estimate of typical orders of magnitude.