

Fundamentals of Spectroscopy
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Lecture - 7
Intensity of a Transition Depends on the Transition Dipole Moment - II

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Derivation

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = \hat{H} \Psi, \quad \hat{H} = \hat{H}_0 + V(\vec{r}, t)$$


$$\Psi(\vec{r}, t) = a_1(t) \psi_1(\vec{r}, t) + a_2(t) \psi_2(\vec{r}, t)$$

$$i\hbar \left[\frac{\partial a_1}{\partial t} \psi_1 + a_1 \frac{\partial \psi_1}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial a_2}{\partial t} \psi_2 + a_2 \frac{\partial \psi_2}{\partial t} \right] = a_1(t) \hat{H}_0 \psi_1 + \hat{V}(\vec{r}, t) a_1 \psi_1 + a_2 \hat{H}_0 \psi_2 + \hat{V}(\vec{r}, t) a_2 \psi_2$$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi_1}{\partial t} = \hat{H}_0 \psi_1 \quad i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi_2}{\partial t} = \hat{H}_0 \psi_2$$

$$i\hbar \left[\frac{\partial a_1}{\partial t} \psi_1 + \frac{\partial a_2}{\partial t} \psi_2 \right] = \hat{V} a_1 \psi_1 + \hat{V} a_2 \psi_2$$

$a_1, a_2 \rightarrow$ function of t $\psi \rightarrow$ function of \vec{r}, t
 $V \rightarrow$ function of \vec{r}, t



To obtain the expressions for a_1 and a_2 let us now substitute the form of Ψ into the Schrodinger equation. So, the Schrodinger equation is $i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = \hat{H} \Psi$. \hat{H} is equal to $\hat{H}_0 + V$ of r, t and Ψ is function of r and t which is $a_1(t) \psi_1(r, t) + a_2(t) \psi_2(r, t)$ now when we substitute in the Schrodinger equation we get the following expression $i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [a_1 \psi_1 + a_2 \psi_2] = \hat{H}_0 [a_1 \psi_1 + a_2 \psi_2] + V [a_1 \psi_1 + a_2 \psi_2]$ on the left hand side.

And on the right hand side we get \hat{H}_0 operating on the first term gives $a_1(t) \hat{H}_0 \psi_1(r, t)$ I am not going to write the variables because it is implicit here and we get $+ V$ of r, t operating on $a_1 \psi_1 + a_2 \hat{H}_0 \psi_2 + V$ of r, t operating on $a_2 \psi_2$ since ψ_1 and ψ_2 are solutions of the Schrodinger equation $i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi_1}{\partial t} = \hat{H}_0 \psi_1$ and using that we can cancel these two terms on both sides.

And similarly using $i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi_2}{\partial t} = \hat{H}_0 \psi_2$ we can cancel these two terms this on the left side and this term on the right side. So, now there are two terms on the

left-hand side and two terms on the right-hand side so let us write those $i \hbar \frac{d a_1}{dt} + i \hbar \frac{d a_2}{dt} = \hat{V} a_1 \psi_1 + \hat{V} a_2 \psi_2$ we have to keep in mind that the functions a V and ψ depend on variables and they are implicit here and I am not writing them specifically but a_1 and a_2 are functions of t V is a function of r and t and similarly ψ is a function of r and t .

In the interest of making the notation compact I am not writing these when we have written this form here. I am going to copy this to the next page and then we will proceed with the derivation.

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Derivation

$$i \hbar \frac{d a_1}{dt} + i \hbar \frac{d a_2}{dt} = \hat{V} a_1 \psi_1 + \hat{V} a_2 \psi_2$$

Multiply both sides by $\phi_2^*(r)$ and integrate over spatial coordinates

$$i \hbar \frac{d a_1}{dt} \int \phi_2^* \psi_1 d\tau + i \hbar \frac{d a_2}{dt} \int \phi_2^* \psi_2 d\tau = a_1 \int \phi_2^* V \psi_1 d\tau + a_2 \int \phi_2^* V \psi_2 d\tau$$

Since $\psi_1 = \phi_1 e^{-iE_1 t/\hbar}$ and $\psi_2 = \phi_2 e^{-iE_2 t/\hbar}$

zero because ϕ_2 and ϕ_1 are orthogonal

$$i \hbar \frac{d a_2}{dt} = e^{iE_2 t/\hbar} \left[a_1 \int \phi_2^* V \psi_1 d\tau + a_2 \int \phi_2^* V \psi_2 d\tau \right]$$

The equation here is very similar to what you had in the page before except that instead of the partial derivative with respect to time I have written this as a regular derivative because a does not really depend on any other variable besides time. So, here this is a regular derivative which is how it really should be. Now the next step is to multiply both sides of this equation from the left by ϕ_2^* and integrate.

This gives $i \hbar \frac{d a_1}{dt}$ that goes outside the integral which depends on the spatial coordinates $\phi_2^* \psi_1$ $\int \phi_2^* \psi_1 d\tau$ this is the spatial variable of integration and this integration is over all space and the other term is $i \hbar \frac{d a_2}{dt} \int \phi_2^* \psi_2 d\tau$ is equal to integral $a_1 \int \phi_2^* V \psi_1 d\tau + a_2 \int \phi_2^* V \psi_2 d\tau$ since ψ_1 is equal to $\phi_1 e^{-iE_1 t/\hbar}$ when we substitute this here this first integral because of orthogonality of the ϕ_2 and the ϕ_1 becomes 0.

So this integral is 0 because ϕ_2 and ϕ_1 are orthogonal and similarly when we substitute for ψ_2 here which is $\phi_2 e^{-i a_2 t / \hbar}$ when we substitute here then because these functions are normalized this simplifies and we get the net result of this integral to be simply $e^{-i a_2 t / \hbar}$. So, keeping only this part now on the left hand side and moving this $e^{-i a_2 t / \hbar}$ to the right hand side we get $i \hbar \frac{da_2}{dt}$ is equal to $e^{i E_2 t / \hbar}$ multiplied by $a_1 \int \phi_2^* \hat{V} \phi_1 d\tau + a_2 \int \phi_2^* \hat{V} \phi_2 d\tau$. These are the interaction operator which we will see is just a multiplicative function.

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Derivation

$$i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt} = e^{iE_2 t / \hbar} \left[a_1 \int \phi_2^* \hat{V} \phi_1 d\tau + a_2 \int \phi_2^* \hat{V} \phi_2 d\tau \right]$$

$$\phi_1 = \phi_1 e^{-iE_1 t / \hbar} \quad \phi_2 = \phi_2 e^{-iE_2 t / \hbar}$$

$$i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt} = e^{i(E_2 - E_1)t / \hbar} \left[a_1 \int \phi_2^* V \phi_1 d\tau + a_2 \int \phi_2^* V \phi_2 d\tau \right]$$

$a_1(t=0) = 1 \quad a_2(t=0) = 0$

$$i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt} = e^{i(E_2 - E_1)t / \hbar} \int \phi_2^* V \phi_1 d\tau$$

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Let us copy this last line to a new page and continue with the derivation here is the expression from the previous page and using ψ_1 is equal to $\phi_1 e^{-i a_1 t / \hbar}$ here and ψ_2 is equal to $\phi_2 e^{-i a_2 t / \hbar}$ here we can simplify this further this gives $i \hbar \frac{da_2}{dt}$ is equal to $e^{i E_2 - E_1 t / \hbar}$ $a_1 \int \phi_2^* V \phi_1 d\tau$ which is the first term in the above expression on the right hand side.

And the second term becomes $a_2 \int \phi_2^* V \phi_2 d\tau$ because the system is initially in the state ψ_1 a_1 of at time t is equal to 1 and a_2 at time t is equal to 0 is equal to 0. Now since the perturbation due to the light can be considered to be small we can consider that these values of a_1 and a_2 here are very close to the initial values. So, we substitute these initial values into the above expression and get the following relation for da_2/dt that is equal to $e^{i E_2 - E_1 t / \hbar}$.

And the second term here is set to 0 this implies that the increase in a_2 which is da_2/dt is primarily due to the first term here where a_1 is equal to 1 and that is because the system is

initially in the state Psi 1. We will now substitute the expression for this interaction energy or perturbation which is minus mu dot e. And we will proceed with this derivation on the next page.

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Derivation

$$i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt} = -e \int \phi_2^* \vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{E} \phi_1 d\tau$$

$\vec{E} = E_0 \cos(2\pi\nu t)$ (frequency of light)

$$= e^{-i(E_2 - E_1)t/\hbar} \cos(2\pi\nu t) \int \phi_2^* \vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{E}_0 \phi_1 d\tau$$

$\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{E}_0 = \mu_z E_{0z}$

Considering only the z direction

$$i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt} = -e \cos(2\pi\nu t) \int \phi_2^* \mu_z E_{0z} \phi_1 d\tau$$

$$= -e \cos(2\pi\nu t) \underbrace{\left(\int \phi_2^* \mu_z \phi_1 \right)}_{\text{Transition dipole moment integral}} E_{0z}$$

So, $i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt}$ is equal to $-e$ to the power of $i(E_2 - E_1)t/\hbar$ and then the integral Ψ_2^* the perturbation $\mu \cdot e$ and then $\Psi_1 d\tau$. Now the E as we have seen before is $E_0 \cos(2\pi\nu t)$ where ν is the frequency of the light. So, if we substitute this into the expression this further becomes e to the power of $-i(E_2 - E_1)t/\hbar$ the cosine comes out of the integral $2\pi\nu t$ and integral $\Psi_2^* \mu \cdot e \Psi_1 d\tau$.

Now both the quantities μ and \mathbf{E} are vector quantities so they have three components x , y and z . So, the dot product of these two terms will give us 3 terms corresponding to the x , y and z terms. For simplicity we will consider only the term corresponding to z and the other terms will be just similar so we can write them down if necessary the term corresponding to z will simply be μ_z here multiplied by E_{0z} . So, considering only the z direction the expression becomes $i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt}$ is equal to $-e$ to the power of $i(E_2 - E_1)t/\hbar$ cosine of $2\pi\nu t$ multiplied by $\Psi_2^* \mu_z E_{0z} \Psi_1 d\tau$.

And this we can write as minus e to the power of $i(E_2 - E_1)t/\hbar$ cosine $2\pi\nu t$ multiplied by μ_z of $2, 1 E_{0z}$ where we define this as the integral $\Psi_2^* \mu_z \Psi_1$ and this is the transition dipole moment integral, in particular this is the transition dipole moment integral in the z direction.

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Derivation

$$i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt} = -e^{i(E_2 - E_1)t/\hbar} \cos(2\pi\nu t) (\mu_z)_{21} E_{0z}$$

using $\cos(2\pi\nu t) = \frac{e^{i2\pi\nu t} + e^{-i2\pi\nu t}}{2}$

$$i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt} = \left[-\frac{e^{i(E_2 - E_1)t/\hbar} e^{i2\pi\nu t}}{2} - \frac{e^{i(E_2 - E_1)t/\hbar} e^{-i2\pi\nu t}}{2} \right] (\mu_z)_{21} E_{0z}$$

$$i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt} = -\frac{1}{2} (\mu_z)_{21} E_{0z} \left[e^{i(E_2 - E_1)t/\hbar} e^{i2\pi\nu t} + e^{i(E_2 - E_1)t/\hbar} e^{-i2\pi\nu t} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} (\mu_z)_{21} E_{0z} \left[e^{i(E_2 - E_1)t/\hbar} e^{i2\pi\nu t/\hbar} + e^{i(E_2 - E_1)t/\hbar} e^{-i2\pi\nu t/\hbar} \right]$$

$$i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt} = -\frac{1}{2} (\mu_z)_{21} E_{0z} \left[e^{i(E_2 - E_1 + \hbar\nu)t/\hbar} + e^{i(E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\nu)t/\hbar} \right]$$

This is the expression we had on the previous page and using cosine of $2\pi\nu t$ is equal to e to the power of $i2\pi\nu t + e$ to the power of $-i2\pi\nu t$ by 2 we can simplify this further so $i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt}$ is equal to minus $e^{iE_2 - E_1 t}$ by \hbar multiplied by e to the power of $i2\pi\nu t$ by 2 - e to the power of $iE_2 - E_1 t$ by \hbar e to the power of $-i2\pi\nu t$ by 2 and this whole thing multiplied by the μ_z transition dipole moment integral and the E_{0z} .

Therefore $i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt}$ is equal to minus half μ_z E_{0z} multiplied by e to the power of $iE_2 - E_1 t$ by \hbar e to the power of $i2\pi\nu t + e$ to the power of $iE_2 - E_1 t$ by \hbar and e to the power of $-i2\pi\nu t$ and this we can simplify further by adding the powers in these two terms. So, for that we do this is minus half μ_z E_{0z} and we write this as $E_2 - E_1 t$ by \hbar and write this as e to the power of $i2\pi\nu \hbar t$ by \hbar and similarly we do that for the other **other** term.

Using \hbar is equal to h over 2π we can simplify this further and so $i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt}$ is equal to minus half μ_z E_{0z} and exponential $iE_2 - E_1 + \hbar\nu t$ by \hbar + e to the power of $iE_2 - E_1 - \hbar\nu t$ by \hbar .

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Derivation

$$\begin{aligned}
 i\hbar \frac{da_2}{dt} &= -\frac{1}{2} (\mu_z)_{21} E_{0z} \left[e^{i(E_2 - E_1 + \hbar\nu)t/\hbar} + e^{i(E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\nu)t/\hbar} \right] \\
 &\quad \downarrow \text{Transition dipole moment} \\
 &\quad \text{integral} = \text{zero} \Rightarrow \frac{da_2}{dt} = 0 \\
 i\hbar a_2(t) &= -\frac{1}{2} (\mu_z)_{21} E_{0z} \left[\frac{e^{i(E_2 - E_1 + \hbar\nu)t/\hbar}}{i(E_2 - E_1 + \hbar\nu)/\hbar} + \frac{e^{i(E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\nu)t/\hbar}}{i(E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\nu)/\hbar} \right]_0^t \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2} (\mu_z)_{21} E_{0z} (-i\hbar) \left[\frac{e^{i(E_2 - E_1 + \hbar\nu)t/\hbar} - 1}{E_2 - E_1 + \hbar\nu} + \frac{e^{i(E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\nu)t/\hbar} - 1}{E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\nu} \right] \\
 &\quad \begin{array}{l} E_2 > E_1 \\ E_2 - E_1 = \hbar\nu \rightarrow \text{Bohr frequency condition} \end{array} \\
 i\hbar a_2(t) &= \frac{1}{2} i\hbar (\mu_z)_{21} E_{0z} \frac{(e^{i(E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\nu)t/\hbar} - 1)}{E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\nu} \\
 &\quad \begin{array}{l} a_2^*(t) a_2(t) \\ \text{large} \end{array}
 \end{aligned}$$

We have copied here the expression for $d a_2$ by dt from the previous page and the important thing to note is that if this transition dipole moment is equal to 0 this is the transition dipole moment integral if this is equal to 0 it implies that da_2 by dt is equal to 0 in other words if the transition dipole moment integral is 0 then there are no transitions from the state 1 to the state 2 that is what this implies that transitions can occur from state 1 to state 2 only when this transition dipole moment is non zero.

Now integrating this differential equation from time 0 to t we get the following so $i\hbar a_2$ of t becomes minus half $\mu_z E_{0z}$ and the integral here is e to the power of $i(E_2 - E_1 + \hbar\nu)t/\hbar$ by \hbar and it is an integral with respect to the time variable and we get $i(E_2 - E_1 + \hbar\nu)$ divided by \hbar here $+ e$ to the power of $i(E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\nu)t/\hbar$ divided by $i(E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\nu)$ by \hbar and this integral is in the limits 0 to t . And substituting the limits of integration and simplifying this a little further we get minus half $\mu_z E_{0z}$ and we move the i to the numerator so we get $-i$ and we move the \hbar to the numerator so we get \hbar there.

And substituting for time t is equal to t we get e to the power of $i(E_2 - E_1 + \hbar\nu)t/\hbar$ and substituting for t time is equal to 0 we get e to the power of 0 which is 1 divided by $E_2 - E_1 + \hbar\nu$ for this term and similarly e to the power of $i(E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\nu)t/\hbar - 1$ divided by $E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\nu$. Now supposing that E_2 is greater than E_1 we notice that this term $E_2 - E_1$ is a positive number and when this $E_2 - E_1$ becomes equal to $\hbar\nu$ then this term becomes close to 0 and in this case when the difference in energy between the two states is equal to the energy associated with the light this is called the Bohr frequency condition.

And at this time it should be clear that the second term here is the dominant term is this becomes this second term becomes very large because the denominator becomes very small. And then under those conditions the contribution to the a_2 is greatest for the second term. So, when $E_2 - E_1$ is equal to $h\nu$ it is only the second term on the right hand side which contributes and we can write $i\hbar \dot{a}_2$ is equal to $\frac{1}{2} i\hbar \mu_{z21} \omega_{z21} e^{i(E_2 - E_1 - h\nu)t/\hbar}$ and only the second term which is $e^{i(E_2 - E_1 - h\nu)t/\hbar}$ divided by $E_2 - E_1 - h\nu$.

The probability of transition to the state 2 or the intensity of absorption from the state 1 to 2 depends on $|a_2|^2$ function of t and let us write the expression for this now because we already have the expression for a_2 .

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The slide titled "Derivation" contains the following content:

- Equation 1:** $|a_2|^2 \propto |(\mu_z)_{21}|^2 \frac{|e^{i(E_2 - E_1 - h\nu)t/\hbar} - 1|^2}{(E_2 - E_1 - h\nu)^2}$. The first term is labeled "Probability of System being in ψ_2 ".
- Equation 2:** $|e^{i\theta} - 1|^2 = 2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$.
- Equation 3:** $|a_2|^2 \propto |(\mu_z)_{21}|^2 \frac{\sin^2[(E_2 - E_1 - h\nu)t/2\hbar]}{(E_2 - E_1 - h\nu)^2}$.
- Graph:** A plot of $|a_2|^2$ versus $h\nu$. The x-axis is labeled $h\nu \rightarrow$ and has a tick mark at $E_2 - E_1$. A sharp peak is shown at $h\nu = E_2 - E_1$. A handwritten note with an arrow points to the peak: "Probability of transition from ψ_1 to ψ_2 ".

Using the expression for E_2 derived on the previous page we can write the expression for $|a_2|^2$ which is the probability of the system being in a 2 system being in Ψ_2 and this is proportional to the transition dipole moment integral square and the term that you see here. Now the numerator of this term can be simplified further by using the identity $e^{i\theta} - 1$ mod squared is equal to $2 \sin^2 \theta/2$. So, this $|a_2|^2$ mod squared becomes proportional to $|\mu_{z21}|^2 \sin^2 \frac{(E_2 - E_1 - h\nu)t}{2\hbar}$ divided by $(E_2 - E_1 - h\nu)^2$.

If we plot this function versus $h\nu$ then the function looks something like this where the peak of this function is at $h\nu$ is equal to $E_2 - E_1$ this represents the probability of the transition from state 1 to 2 and shows that this probability is the largest when $h\nu$ is equal to the

difference between the energies of the two states. So, we have seen that the probability of transition or the intensity of absorption from one state to another depends on two critical things one is the transition dipole moment integral and the second is the light having a frequency which is equal to the difference in energy of the two states.

This will be a very important concept in spectroscopy and will be applicable to all types of spectroscopy you.