

Dispersion relations

Comparing the found relations between optical values (κ, n) with EM-values (ϵ, μ, σ) we observe discrepancies:

For example: For water we can measure a static dielectric function $\epsilon_r = 81$, while the refractive index n is $4/3$.

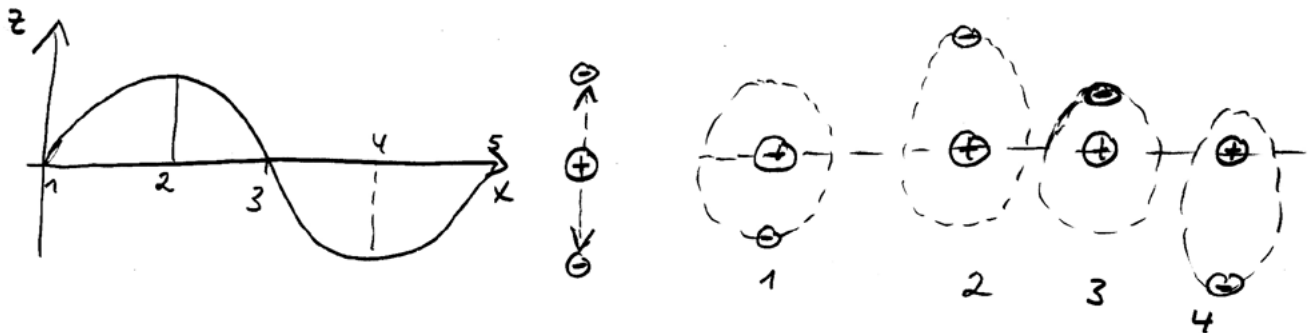
↳ optical constants ϵ, μ are frequency dependant, which is described in the dispersion relations! ☐

(1) classical model: Drude-Lorentz model for $\epsilon(\omega)$

(2) Quantum mechanical description for $\epsilon(\omega)$

↳ Drude-Lorentz model for $\epsilon(\omega)$

Assume a EM-wave interacts with matter (medium) consisting of bonded atoms and elastically bonded electrons e^- . The EM-wave and e^- interaction causes the displacement of the e^-



Displacement: $\Delta z(t) = \Delta z_{\max} \cdot e^{-i\omega t} = z(t) - z_0$ (1)



→ Equation of motion

$$\textcircled{2} \quad m \cdot \frac{d^2 \Delta z}{dt^2} + q \cdot \vec{E}_0 e^{-i\omega t} + b \cdot \frac{d \Delta z(t)}{dt} + K \cdot \Delta z(t) = 0$$

merge equ. ① into ②:

$$\hookrightarrow [-\omega^2 \Delta z_{\max} - i\omega \cdot \frac{b}{m} \Delta z_{\max} + \frac{K}{m} \Delta z_{\max} + \frac{q}{m} \vec{E}_0] \cdot e^{-i\omega t} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta z_{\max} = \frac{q/m}{\omega^2 - K/m + i\omega b/m} \cdot \vec{E}_0$$

Now, we now the macroscopic Polarization is

$$P = (\epsilon_r - 1) \epsilon_0 \vec{E} \stackrel{!}{=} -n \cdot q \cdot \Delta z(t)$$

\uparrow charge per atom
 \uparrow # of atoms

$$\rightarrow P(\omega) = -n q \cdot \Delta z(t) = \frac{-n q^2 / m}{\omega^2 - \omega_0^2 + i\omega/\tau} \cdot \vec{E}_0 e^{-i\omega t} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \omega_0^2 = K/m \\ \tau = m/b \end{array} \right.$$

$$= (\epsilon_r - 1) \epsilon_0 \vec{E}$$

define $\omega_p = \sqrt{\frac{n \cdot q^2}{\epsilon_0 \cdot m}}$: plasma frequency

to get

$$\boxed{\epsilon_r(\omega) = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2 - \omega_0^2 + i\omega/\tau}}$$

⇒

Limiting properties of dielectric function

$$\lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} [\epsilon(\omega) - 1] = \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega_0^2} \quad (\text{static dielectric function})$$

$$\lim_{\omega \rightarrow \infty} [\epsilon(\omega) - 1] = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \right) = 0$$

↳ $[\epsilon(\omega) - 1]$ converges as $\frac{1}{\omega^2}$

Separate ϵ into real- and imaginary part:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a.) rewrite } \omega^2 - i\omega/\tau - \omega_0^2 &= [\omega - \omega_n + i\Gamma] \cdot [\omega + \omega_n + i\Gamma] \\ &= \omega^2 + i2\omega\Gamma - (\omega_n^2 + \Gamma^2) \end{aligned}$$

So that $\omega_n = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \Gamma^2}$ and $\Gamma = 1/2\tau$ (Γ : broadening parameter)

$$\text{b.) take identity } \frac{f_1(x) - f_2(x)}{f_1(x) \cdot f_2(x)} \equiv \frac{1}{f_2(x)} - \frac{1}{f_1(x)}$$

to separate in partial fractions

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon(\omega) &= 1 + \frac{\omega_p^2}{(\omega - \omega_n + i\Gamma)(\omega + \omega_n + i\Gamma)} \\ &= 1 + \frac{\omega_p^2}{2\omega_n} \left[\frac{1}{\omega + \omega_n + i\Gamma} - \frac{1}{\omega - \omega_n + i\Gamma} \right] \end{aligned}$$

⇒

→ For small damping: $\omega_0^2 \gg \Gamma^2 \rightarrow \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_0$

$$\hookrightarrow \epsilon(\omega) = 1 + \frac{\omega_p^2}{2\omega_0} \left[\frac{1}{\omega + \omega_0 + i\Gamma} - \frac{1}{\omega - \omega_0 + i\Gamma} \right]$$

next, multiply first term in bracket with $\frac{\omega + \omega_0 - i\Gamma}{\omega + \omega_0 - i\Gamma}$ and second term with $\frac{\omega - \omega_0 - i\Gamma}{\omega - \omega_0 - i\Gamma}$ to get

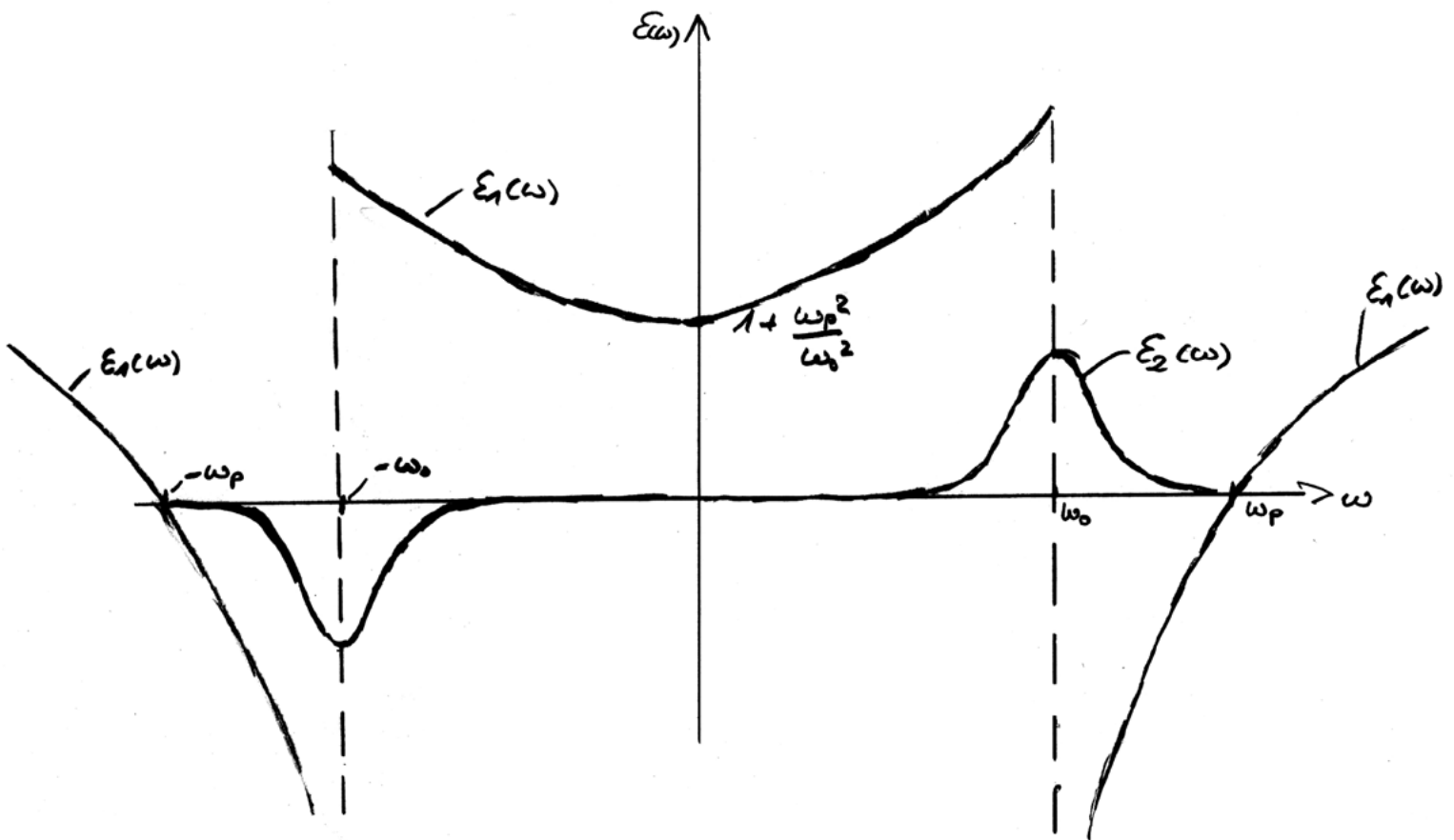
$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon(\omega) &= 1 + \frac{\omega_p^2}{2\omega_0} \left[\frac{\omega + \omega_0}{(\omega + \omega_0)^2 + \Gamma^2} - \frac{\omega - \omega_0}{(\omega - \omega_0)^2 + \Gamma^2} \right] - i \frac{\omega_p^2 \Gamma}{2\omega_0} \left[\frac{1}{(\omega + \omega_0)^2 + \Gamma^2} - \frac{1}{(\omega - \omega_0)^2 + \Gamma^2} \right] \\ &= \epsilon_1 + i\epsilon_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow \epsilon_1 &= 1 + \frac{\omega_p^2}{2\omega_0} \left[\frac{\omega + \omega_0}{(\omega + \omega_0)^2 + \Gamma^2} - \frac{(\omega - \omega_0)}{(\omega - \omega_0)^2 + \Gamma^2} \right] \\ \text{and} \\ \epsilon_2 &= \frac{\omega_p^2 \Gamma}{2\omega_0} \left[\frac{1}{(\omega + \omega_0)^2 + \Gamma^2} - \frac{1}{(\omega - \omega_0)^2 + \Gamma^2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

that is

$$\epsilon_1(\omega) = \epsilon_1(-\omega) \quad ; \quad \text{an even function}$$

$$-\epsilon_2(\omega) = \epsilon_2(-\omega) \quad ; \quad \text{an odd function}$$



General properties of $\epsilon(\omega)$:

Reality of \vec{E} and linearity of \vec{D}

$$\vec{E}(\omega) = \vec{E}^*(-\omega)$$

$$\vec{D}(\omega) = \vec{D}^*(-\omega) = \epsilon \cdot \vec{E}(\omega)$$

$$\epsilon_1(\omega) = \epsilon_1(-\omega) \quad \text{and} \quad \epsilon_2(\omega) = -\epsilon_2(-\omega)$$

Periodicity of $\vec{E}(t)$ and $\vec{P}(t) = \epsilon_0 [\epsilon - 1] \vec{E}(t)$

$$= \epsilon_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega$$



Use inverse Fourier transform

$$\vec{E}(\omega) = 2\epsilon_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E(t) e^{i\omega t} dt \quad \text{to get}$$

$$P(t) = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [\epsilon(\omega) - 1] e^{-i\omega(t-t')} d\omega \vec{E}(t') dt$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(t-t') E(t') dt \quad \text{with the Green's function}$$

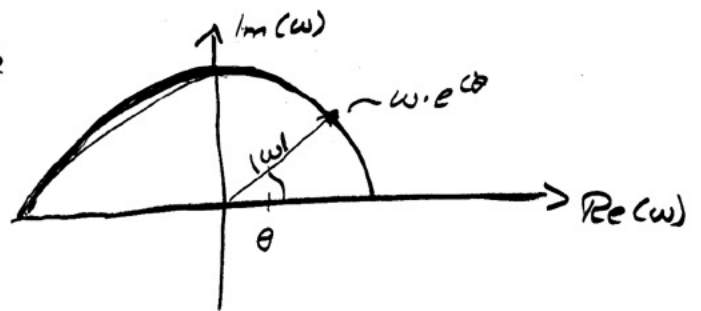
$$G(t-t') = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [\epsilon(\omega) - 1] e^{+i\omega(t'-t)} d\omega$$

Since the polarization $\vec{P}(\omega)$ is a response to the exciting EM-wave $\vec{E}(\omega)$, by causality

$$\boxed{G(t'-t) \equiv 0} \quad \text{for } t' > t$$

In the next step, we replace the integration path by a closed path in the limit

$$|\omega| \rightarrow \infty$$



$$\leadsto \frac{\epsilon_0}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [\epsilon - 1] e^{i\omega(t'-t)} d\omega = \lim_{|\omega| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\epsilon_0}{2\pi} \oint [\epsilon - 1] e^{i\omega(t'-t)} d\omega$$

$$= \lim_{|\omega| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{i \cdot \epsilon_0}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} [\epsilon - 1] e^{i\omega(t'-t)} \cdot \omega e^{i\theta} d\theta \quad \Rightarrow$$

The second term vanishes because of the convergence of $[\epsilon-1]$ as ω^{-2}

$$\rightarrow G(\epsilon-t') = \lim_{|\omega| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\epsilon_0}{2\pi} \oint [\epsilon-1] e^{i\omega(t-t')} d\omega \equiv 0$$

\rightarrow By Cauchy's integral theorem, this means that

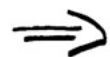
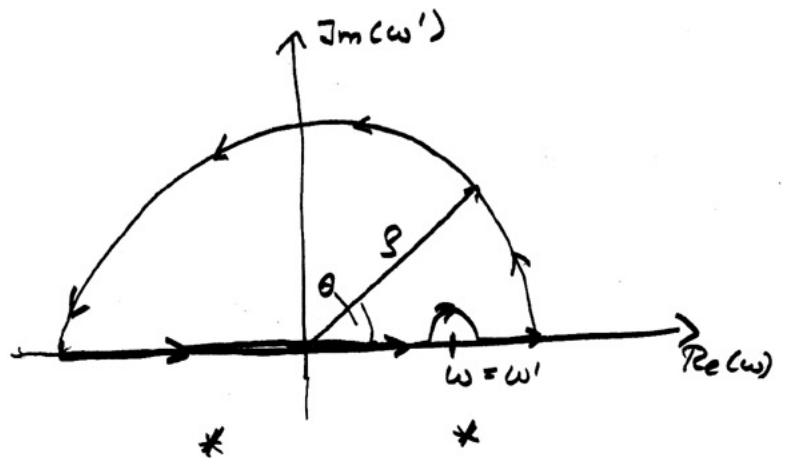
$G(\tau) = G(\epsilon-t')$ is analytic in the upper half of the plane: i.e. poles of $\epsilon(\omega)$ are restricted to the lower half plane!



Consider next the integral

$$J(\omega) = \oint \frac{d\omega [\epsilon-1]}{\omega' - \omega}$$

Integration over the path along the axis representing the real part of ω' avoiding the pole at $\omega = \omega'$ by a half circle and closing the path by a large half circle and closing the path by a large half circle back!



$$\begin{aligned} \leadsto \mathcal{J}(\omega) = 0 &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\omega-\delta} \frac{d\omega'}{\omega'-\omega} [\epsilon(\omega')-1] + \int_{\omega+\delta}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega'}{\omega'-\omega} [\epsilon(\omega')-1] \right] \\ &+ \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \int_{\pi}^0 \frac{i d\theta \delta e^{i\theta}}{\delta e^{i\theta}} [\epsilon(\omega)-1] \end{aligned}$$

Made use of the knowledge that the integral of the large half-circle of radius ρ vanishes in the

$$\text{limit } \rho \rightarrow \infty \left[\text{because of the convergence of } [\epsilon(\omega)-1] \text{ is faster than } 1/\omega! \left([\epsilon-1] \sim \frac{1}{\omega^2} \right) \right]$$

The integral

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \int_{\pi}^0 \frac{i d\theta \delta e^{i\theta}}{\delta e^{i\theta}} (\epsilon(\omega)-1) = -i\pi [\epsilon(\omega)-1]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow -i\pi [\epsilon(\omega)-1] &= \text{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega'}{\omega'-\omega} [\epsilon(\omega')-1] \\ &\uparrow \text{Cauchy Hauptwert} := \text{principle value} \end{aligned}$$

From this we get the relations

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re}[\epsilon(\omega)]-1 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \text{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega'}{\omega'-\omega} \cdot \text{Im}[\epsilon(\omega')] \\ \text{Im}[\epsilon(\omega)] &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega'}{\omega'-\omega} \cdot [\text{Re}\{\epsilon(\omega')\}-1] \end{aligned}$$

denote $\text{Re}\{\epsilon(\omega)\} = \epsilon'(\omega)$ and $\text{Im}\{\epsilon(\omega)\} = \epsilon''(\omega) \Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \epsilon^+(\omega) - 1 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon^i(\omega') d\omega'}{\omega' - \omega} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\mathcal{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon^i(\omega') d\omega'}{\omega' - \omega} + \mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon^i(\omega') d\omega'}{\omega' - \omega} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon^i(-\omega') d(-\omega')}{-\omega' - \omega} + \mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon^i(\omega') d\omega'}{\omega' - \omega} \right] \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{Note: use} \\ \epsilon^i(\omega) = -\epsilon^i(-\omega) \end{array} \right. \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{\omega' + \omega} + \frac{1}{\omega' - \omega} \right\} \epsilon^i(\omega') d\omega' \right] \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad = \frac{2\omega'}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\omega' \epsilon^i(\omega') d\omega'}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon^+ = 1 + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\omega' \epsilon^i(\omega') d\omega'}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2}$$

Similarly, we get with $\epsilon^+(\omega) = \epsilon^+(-\omega)$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^i(\omega) &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{[\epsilon^+(\omega') - 1] d\omega'}{\omega' - \omega} \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \left[\mathcal{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{[\epsilon^+(\omega') - 1] d\omega'}{\omega' - \omega} + \mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{[\epsilon^+ - 1] d\omega'}{\omega' - \omega} \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \left[\mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{\omega' + \omega} - \frac{1}{\omega' - \omega} \right\} [\epsilon^+(\omega') - 1] d\omega' \right] \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad = \frac{-2\omega}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} \\ &= -\frac{2\omega}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{[\epsilon^+ - 1] d\omega'}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon^i(\omega) = -\frac{2\omega}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{[\epsilon^+(\omega') - 1] d\omega'}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2}$$

Kramers-Kronig relations



Similarly, we can derive the Kramers-Kronig relations for the complex refractive index $\hat{n} = n - ik$:

$$n(\omega) = 1 + \frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\omega' k(\omega')}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} d\omega'$$

$$k(\omega) = -\frac{2\omega}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{n(\omega') - 1}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} d\omega'$$

and $n(\omega) = 1 + \frac{c}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\alpha(\omega')}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} d\omega'$

If $\alpha(\omega)$ is known over all frequencies, $n(\omega)$ can be calculated for any ω - and consequently - also for $k(\omega)$ and the dielectric function $\epsilon(\omega)$.

From the Kramers-Kronig relation for $\epsilon(\omega)$ follows trivially a sum-rule for the static dielectric constant of materials: i.e.

$$\epsilon_1(0) = 1 + \frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon_2(\omega')}{\omega'} d\omega'$$

→ largest contributions are made by optical transitions of low energy $\hbar\omega'$.

Quantum mechanical theory of dielectric function

External electrical field:

$$E(\vec{r}, t) = -\nabla\phi(\vec{r}, t) - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \phi - \text{scalar potential} \\ \vec{A} - \text{vector potential} \end{array} \right.$$

is interacting with electronic charges of solid!

↳ perturbation of kinetic and potential energy, which modifies the SE (Schrödinger equation) - hamiltonian:

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} \left\{ \frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla + q \vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) \right\}^2 + V(\vec{r}) - q \phi(\vec{r}, t) = H_0 + H'$$

a TEM wave can be represented in two alternative ways:

$$(1) \quad \phi(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) \cdot \vec{r} = \vec{E}_0 \cdot \vec{r} \cdot \exp[i(\vec{k}_0 \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)] + c.c.$$

$$\hookrightarrow \vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) = 0$$

$$(2) \quad \vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) = -\frac{c}{\omega} \vec{E}_0 e^{i(\vec{k}_0 \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} + c.c.$$

$$\hookrightarrow \phi(\vec{r}, t) = 0$$

In either case, the perturbation is small \leadsto

1st-order perturbation theory is appropriate!



→ 1.) Scalar potential representation

$$\mathcal{H} = H_0 + H' \quad \text{with } H' = -q\phi(\vec{r}, t), \quad H_0 = \frac{1}{2m} \vec{p}^2 + V(\vec{r})$$

$$H' = -q\phi = -q \cdot (\vec{E}_0 \cdot \vec{r}) \exp[i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)] + \text{c.c.}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \Psi_a(\vec{r}, t) = |Q\rangle \cdot e^{-i\omega_a t} + \Psi^{(1)}(\vec{r}, t) + \dots$$

→ Solve SE. to calculate expectations of electric dipol operator

$$\begin{aligned} -q \langle Q' | \vec{r} | Q \rangle &= r_{aQ'} \cdot (-q) \\ &= -q \int_V \Psi_{Q'}^* \vec{r} \Psi_Q d\tau \end{aligned}$$

for all transitions between filled and empty states at single atomic center, to get

$$P(\omega) = -q \sum_{aQ} r_{aQ} = \epsilon_0 (\epsilon - 1) \vec{E}$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\epsilon(\omega) = 1 - \omega_p^2 \sum_{aQ} \frac{f_{aQ}}{\omega^2 - \omega_{aQ}^2}}$$

with oscillator strength

$$f_{aQ} = \frac{2m E_{aQ}}{\hbar^2} \cdot |\vec{E} \cdot \vec{r}_{aQ}|$$

(compare to classical oscillator of mass m_0 and change $-q$, for which $f_{aQ} = 1$)



2.) Vector potential representation:

Extended states (sharply defined in momentum - but not in position)

can be represented by vector potential $\vec{A}(\vec{r}, t)$ formulation of

Source wave:

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} \left(\vec{p} - \frac{q}{c} \vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) \right)^2 + V(\vec{r}) = H_0 + H'$$

Use linear Taylor expansion and $\vec{A}^2 = 0$ to get

$$H' = \frac{q}{mc} \vec{A} \cdot \vec{p}$$

The transition probability for one e^- in the state k (at time t)
in the band \vec{j}
 \rightarrow into state k' (at time t') in the band \vec{j}'

$$\text{is } W_{\vec{j}, \vec{j}', k, \omega, t} = \frac{e^2 A_0^2}{m^2 c^2} |M_{\vec{j}, \vec{j}'}(k)|^2 2\pi \hbar \cdot t \delta(E_{\vec{j}'}(\omega) - E_{\vec{j}}(k) - \hbar\omega)$$

with the transition matrix element

$$M_{\vec{j}, \vec{j}'}(k) = \langle \vec{j}' k | H' | \vec{j} k \rangle$$

To get the sum of all transitions per volume- and time unit, we integrate over the whole BZ and divide through the time t :

$$W(\omega) = \sum_{\vec{j}, \vec{j}'} \frac{1}{t} \frac{2}{(2\pi)^3} \cdot \int W_{\vec{j}, \vec{j}', k, \omega, t} d\epsilon_k$$

\Rightarrow

→ The probability that one photon $\hbar\omega$ will be absorbed within a given time unit can be related with the macroscopic defined imaginary part of $\epsilon(\omega)$ through

$$\epsilon_2 = \frac{4\pi c^2 \hbar}{\omega^2 R_0^2} \cdot \underbrace{W_a(\omega)}_{\substack{\text{energy loss} \\ \text{- macroscopic}}} = \underbrace{W(\omega)}_{\text{microscopic}}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \epsilon_2 = \frac{4\pi^2 e^2}{\hbar \omega} \sum_{j,j'} \frac{2}{(2\pi)^3} \int |M_{jj'}|^2 \delta(E_j(\mathbf{k}) - E_{j'}(\mathbf{k}) - \hbar\omega) d^3k$$

↓ transform the integral over BZ in an integral over an area of constant energy

$$\epsilon_2 = \alpha_x \sum_{j,j'} \frac{2}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{E_j - E_{j'} - \hbar\omega} |M_{jj'}|^2 \frac{d\mathcal{A}}{|\nabla_{\mathbf{k}}(E_{j'}(\mathbf{k}) - E_j(\mathbf{k}))|}$$

with $\alpha_x = \frac{4\pi^2 e^2}{\hbar \omega}$

$$M_{jj'} = \langle \psi_{j'}(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}, \vec{r}) | e^{i\mathbf{q}\vec{r}} \cdot \vec{e} \cdot \vec{p} | \psi_j(\mathbf{k}, \vec{r}) \rangle$$

\vec{e} : unit vector in direction of EM-field

$$\vec{p} = \frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla \quad \text{momentum}$$