

Ab Initio Simulation of Infrared and Raman Spectroscopy

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What do we want to say about IR/Raman spectroscopy?

- They are both methods to measure the phonon spectrum
- Which phonon modes can be measured by IR/Raman?
- Can we predict the relative intensity of modes?
- We're not going to threaten more advanced techniques: 2nd order Raman, resonant Raman

Which modes can be measured

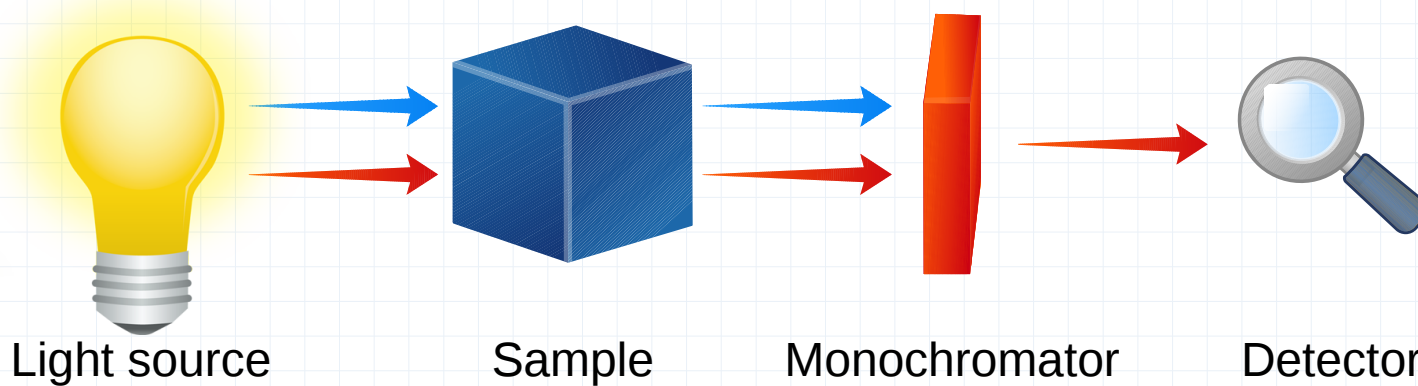
- If a mode is Infrared or Raman active, depends only on the mode symmetry, it is printed out by phonon:

Mode symmetry, D_{6h}(6/mmm) point group:

freq (1 - 1) =	-7.7	[cm ⁻¹]	--> A _{2u}	I
freq (2 - 3) =	62.7	[cm ⁻¹]	--> E _{1u}	I
freq (4 - 4) =	919.0	[cm ⁻¹]	--> B _{1g}	
freq (5 - 6) =	1510.4	[cm ⁻¹]	--> E _{2g}	R

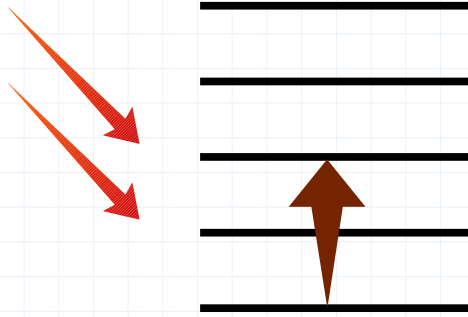
- It depends only on symmetry

What is IR spectroscopy?



- A known-wavelength and constant intensity light is shined through a sample, the outgoing light intensity is measured

What is IR spectroscopy?



- A photon is absorbed to excite a phonon
- Energy and momentum must be conserved

• Photon: $E = \hbar\omega$, $\lambda = \omega/c$, $p = \hbar/\lambda$

• Phonon: $E = \hbar\omega_{n,\mathbf{q}}$, $\mathbf{p} = \hbar(\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G})$, $\lambda = 1/\mathbf{q}$

What is IR spectroscopy?

- Phonon: $E = \hbar\omega_{n,\mathbf{k}}, p = \hbar(\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}) \lambda = 1/q$
- Photon: $E = \hbar\omega, \lambda = \omega/c, p = \hbar/\lambda$

In practice:

- Phonon: $E \simeq 1000\text{cm}^{-1}, p \simeq 0 \rightarrow .1\hbar\text{nm}^{-1}$
- Photon: $E \simeq 1000\text{cm}^{-1}, p \simeq 10^{-5}\hbar\text{nm}^{-1}$
 - wavelength of at least $10 \mu\text{m}$:

E field is constant over many unit cells

Response to a finite E field

- The naïve approach: add an external field:

$$V_E(r) = e \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{r}$$

- In an infinite crystal V_E diverges at long range
- The operator \mathbf{r} is ill-defined in PBC
- The potential can cause Zener tunneling of valence electrons to conduction band

Gonze PRB 55, 10336 – Gonze & Lee PRB 55, 10355

Baroni, *et al*, Rev.Mod.Phys 73, 515

Response to finite E field

- We can avoid the problem with \mathbf{r} by observing that:

$$\Delta \psi_n(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{m \neq n} \psi_m(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\langle \psi_m | \Delta V_{SCF} | \psi_n \rangle}{\epsilon_n - \epsilon_m}$$

- In this specific case we have:

$$\langle \psi_m | \mathbf{r} | \psi_n \rangle = \frac{\langle \psi_m | [H_{SCF}, \mathbf{r}] | \psi_n \rangle}{\epsilon_m - \epsilon_n}, \quad \forall m \neq n. \quad [H_{SCF}, \mathbf{r}] = -\frac{\hbar^2}{m} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{r}}$$

- With additional terms if H is non-local

Response to finite E field

- The screened electric field is defined as:

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_0 - 4\pi \mathbf{P}$$

- The polarization \mathbf{P} induced by the scf field \mathbf{E} is:

$$\mathbf{P} = -\frac{e}{V} \int_V \mathbf{r} \Delta^{\mathbf{E}} n(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}. \quad \Delta^{\mathbf{E}} n(\mathbf{r}) = 4 \sum_{n=1}^{N/2} \psi_n^*(\mathbf{r}) \Delta^{\mathbf{E}} \psi_n(\mathbf{r})$$

- Note that \mathbf{P} is ill-defined in PBC, because it depends on charge on the surface

Response to finite E field

- We can recast \mathbf{P} in a form that does not depend on the boundaries:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\alpha} &= -\frac{4e}{V} \sum_{n=1}^{N/2} \langle \psi_n | r_{\alpha} | \Delta^{\mathbf{E}} \psi_n \rangle \\ &= -\frac{4e}{V} \sum_{n=1}^{N/2} \sum_{m=N/2+1}^{\infty} \frac{\langle \psi_n | [H_{SCF}, r_{\alpha}] | \psi_m \rangle}{(\epsilon_n - \epsilon_m)} \langle \psi_m | \Delta^{\mathbf{E}} \psi_n \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- We define an auxiliary wfc

$$\bar{\psi}_n^{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{m \neq n} \psi_m(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\langle \psi_m | [H_{SCF}, r_{\alpha}] | \psi_n \rangle}{(\epsilon_m - \epsilon_n)}$$

Response to finite E field

- We set-up a self-consistent system of eqs.

$$(H_{SCF} - \epsilon_n) |\Delta^{\mathbf{E}} \psi_n\rangle = -e \sum_{\alpha} \mathbf{E}_{\alpha} |\bar{\psi}_n^{\alpha}\rangle - P_c \Delta V^{lf} |\psi_n\rangle$$

$$\Delta V^{lf}(\mathbf{r}) = e^2 \int \frac{\Delta^{\mathbf{E}} n(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d\mathbf{r}' + \left. \frac{dv_{xc}(n)}{dn} \right|_{n=n(\mathbf{r})} \Delta^{\mathbf{E}} n(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\Delta^{\mathbf{E}} n(\mathbf{r}) = 4 \sum_{n=1}^{N/2} \psi_n^*(\mathbf{r}) \Delta^{\mathbf{E}} \psi_n(\mathbf{r})$$

- We get the response to the screened field \mathbf{E}

Dielectric constant

- The long wavelength limit of the dielectric tensor can be computed from these ingredients:

$$\mathbf{E}_{0\alpha} = (\mathbf{E}_\alpha + 4\pi\mathbf{P}_\alpha) = \sum_{\beta} \epsilon_{\infty}^{\alpha\beta} \mathbf{E}_\beta$$

$$\epsilon_{\infty}^{\alpha\beta} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{16\pi e}{V E_\beta} \sum_{n=1}^{N/2} \langle \bar{\psi}_n^\alpha | \Delta^{\mathbf{E}_\beta} \psi_n \rangle$$

Variational formulation

- Gonze: variational formulation, minimize an approximate functional

$$\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{\infty} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{4\pi}{\Omega} 2 \frac{\partial^2 E_{KS}}{\partial E_{\alpha} \partial E_{\beta}}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 E_{KS}}{\partial E_{\alpha} \partial E_{\beta}} = \frac{\Omega}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{\text{BZ}} \sum_{\mathbf{v}} i \langle \delta^{E_{\alpha}} \psi_{\mathbf{v}} | \delta^{k_{\beta}} \psi_{\mathbf{v}} \rangle d\mathbf{k}$$

- ph.x does not normally use this formula

ph.x input for epsilon

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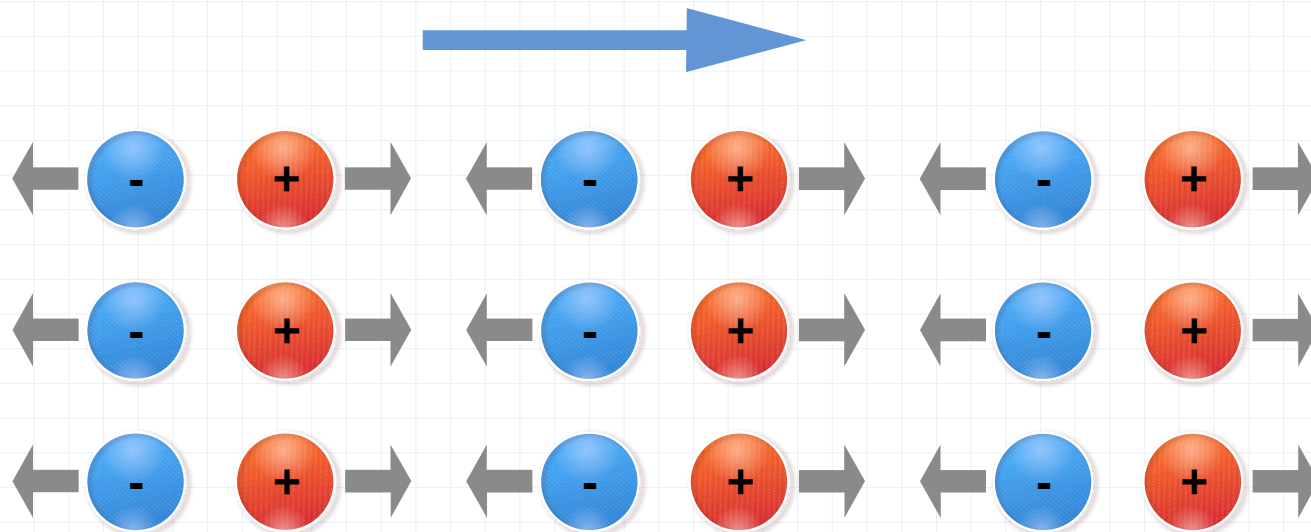
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If `.true.` in a `q=0` calculation for a non metal the macroscopic dielectric constant of the system is computed. Do not set [epsil](#) to `.true.` if you have a metallic system or `q/=0`: the code will complain and stop.

- It takes quite a bit of time!
- You do not need to compute also the phonons in the same run
- Not available for metals (either real or fake)

Optical phonons in a ionic crystal

- Let's consider a simple ionic crystal, the atoms move according to a LO long-wavelength phonon:



- Coupling of charges with macroscopic polarization:

$$z_{I\beta\alpha}^* = \Omega \frac{\partial P_{\text{mac},\beta}}{\partial \tau_{I\alpha}}$$

Optical phonons in a ionic crystal

- We consider the electric enthalpy (internal energy + interaction with ext.)

$$\tilde{H}[u_{n\mathbf{k}}, \mathbf{E}] = E_{KS} - \Omega \mathbf{P}_{\text{mac}} \cdot \mathbf{E}$$

$$P_{\text{mac},\alpha} = -\frac{1}{\Omega} \frac{\partial \tilde{H}}{\partial E_{\alpha}}$$

$$z_{I\alpha\beta}^* = -\frac{\partial^2 \tilde{H}}{\partial E_{\beta} \partial \tau_{I\alpha}} = \frac{F_{I\alpha}}{E_{\beta}} \Big|_{\tau_{I\alpha}=0}$$

Z^*_{ue} vs. Z^*_{eu}

- ph.x can compute z^* in two ways:

- Derive w.r.t the E field first

$$z^*_{ue} = -2 \langle \delta^{\tau\alpha} \psi | \delta^{E\beta} H | \psi \rangle$$

- Derive w.r.t the displacements first

$$z^*_{ue} = \left. \frac{F_{I\alpha}}{E_\beta} \right|_{\tau_{I\alpha}=0} = -2 \langle \delta^{E\beta} \psi | \delta^{\tau\alpha} H | \psi \rangle$$

Check that they give the same result!

ph.x input for zeu/zue

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If `.true.` in a `q=0` calculation for a non metal the effective charges are computed from the dielectric response. This is the default algorithm. If [epsil](#)=`.true.` and [zeu](#)=`.false.` only the dielectric tensor is calculated.

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zue	LOGICAL
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If `.true.` in a `q=0` calculation for a non metal the effective charges are computed from the phonon density responses. This is an alternative algorithm, different from the default one (if [trans](#) .and. [epsil](#)) The results should be the same within numerical noise.

ph.x input for zeu/zue

- They do not cost much more than the phonon/epsilon calculation respectively
- They cannot be computed for metals (either real or fake)
- They are zero in high symmetry materials

Non-analytical contribution to LO

- The most generic equation of motion for ions with a macroscopic electric field:

$$E(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{E}) = \frac{1}{2} M \omega_0^2 u^2 - \frac{\Omega}{8\pi} \epsilon_\infty \mathbf{E}^2 - e Z^* \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{E}$$

- Conjugate variables to \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{E} : force and el. induction

$$\mathbf{F} \equiv - \frac{\partial E}{\partial \mathbf{u}} = - M \omega_0^2 \mathbf{u} + e Z^* \mathbf{E},$$

$$\mathbf{D} \equiv - \frac{4\pi}{\Omega} \frac{\partial E}{\partial \mathbf{E}} = \frac{4\pi}{\Omega} e Z^* \mathbf{u} + \epsilon_\infty \mathbf{E}$$

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- We setup Maxwell equation w/o ext. charges

$$\text{rot } \mathbf{E} \sim i \mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{E} = 0 \quad \text{div } \mathbf{D} \sim i \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{D} = 0$$

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- Solve for transverse/longitudinal field:

$$\omega_L = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 + 4\pi e^2 Z^{*2} / \Omega \epsilon_\infty M}$$

$$\omega_T = \omega_0$$

Computing the IR cross section

- Once the effective charges are done, computing the IR cross section is trivial:

$$I_{\nu\alpha} = \sum_{\alpha} z_{i\alpha\beta}^* u_{\nu,i\beta}$$

- In the case of molecules, or powdered crystals, the average I is just the square modulus
- In case of polarized light, talk with the experimentalist!

Computing the IR cross section

- *dynmat.x* code
(Phonon/Doc/IPUT_DYNAMAT.html)
- It reads the dynamical matrix at Gamma

Purpose of *dynmat.x*:

- reads a dynamical matrix file produced by the phonon code
- adds the non-analytical part (if Z^* and epsilon are read from file), applies the chosen Acoustic Sum Rule (if $q=0$)
- diagonalise the dynamical matrix
- calculates IR and Raman cross sections (if Z^* and Raman tensors are read from file, respectively)
- writes the results to files, both for inspection and for plotting

Computing the IR cross section

- It is also possible to compute the cross section by hand, taking the information from the dynamical matrix file with a simple scripting language (matlab, python..)

```
do nu = 1,3*nat
  do ipol=1,3
    polar(ipol)=0.0d0
  end do
  do na=1,nat
    do ipol=1,3
      do jpol=1,3
        polar(ipol) = polar(ipol) + &
          zstar(ipol,jpol,na)*z((na-1)*3+jpol,nu)
      end do
    end do
  end do
  !
  infrared(nu) = 2.d0*(polar(1)**2+polar(2)**2+polar(3)**2)*irfac
end do
```

Computing the IR cross section

IR activities are in $(D/A)^2/\text{amu}$ units
Raman activities are in A^4/amu units
multiply Raman by 0.945892 for Clausius-Mossotti correction

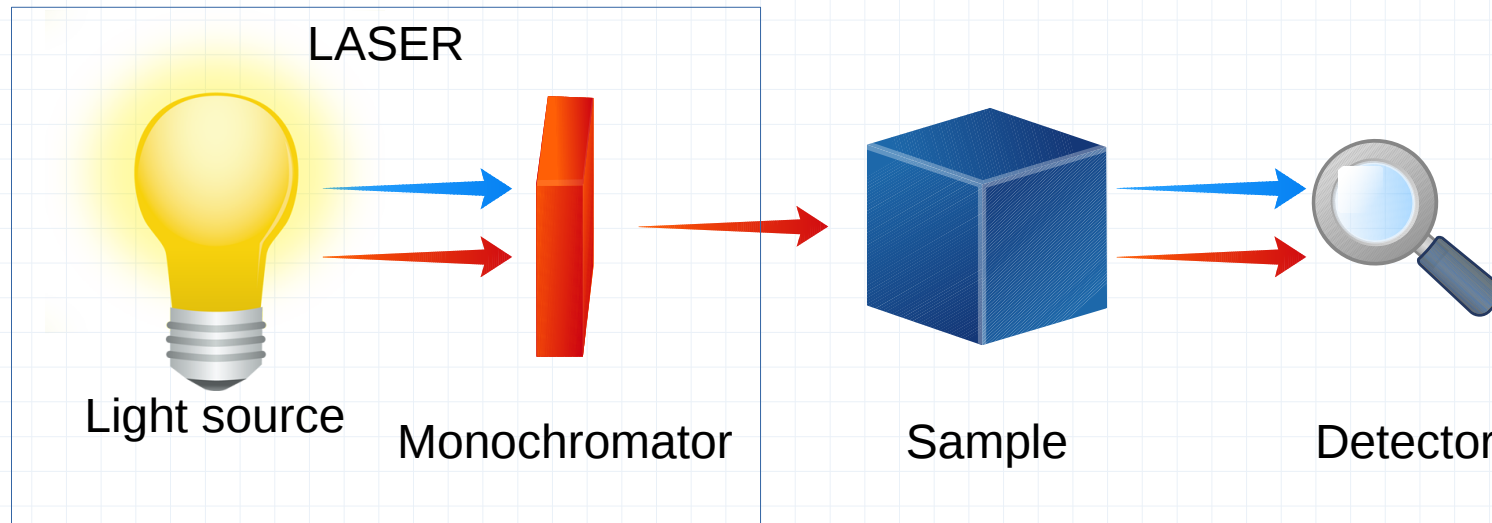
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3		-0.00	-0.0000	0.0000	0.8988	0.7500
4		0.00	0.0000	0.0000	1.0079	0.7500
5		0.00	0.0000	0.0000	1.4616	0.7500
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What is Raman spectroscopy



- Sir Chandrasekhara Venkata Raman
- ~ 1928
- Nobel Prize 1930
- W/ K. S. Krishnan and independently by Grigory Landsberg and Leonid Mandelstam

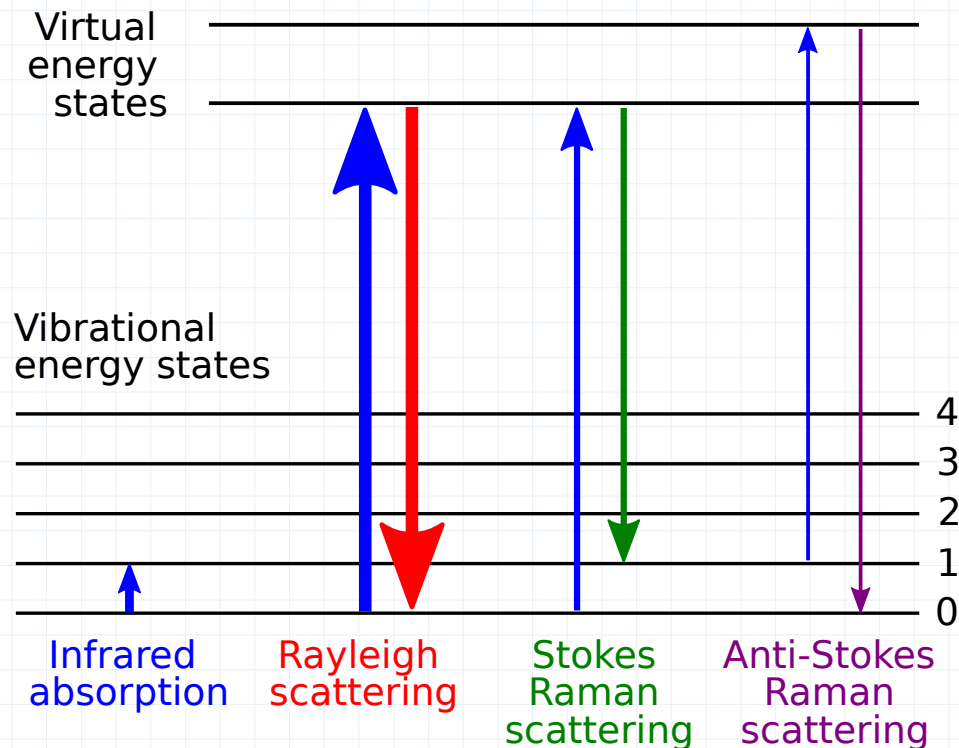
What is Raman spectroscopy



- The sample is excited with a monochromatic light (nowadays a laser) the spectrum of the outcoming light is measured

What is Raman spectroscopy

- How can this be related to phonons?



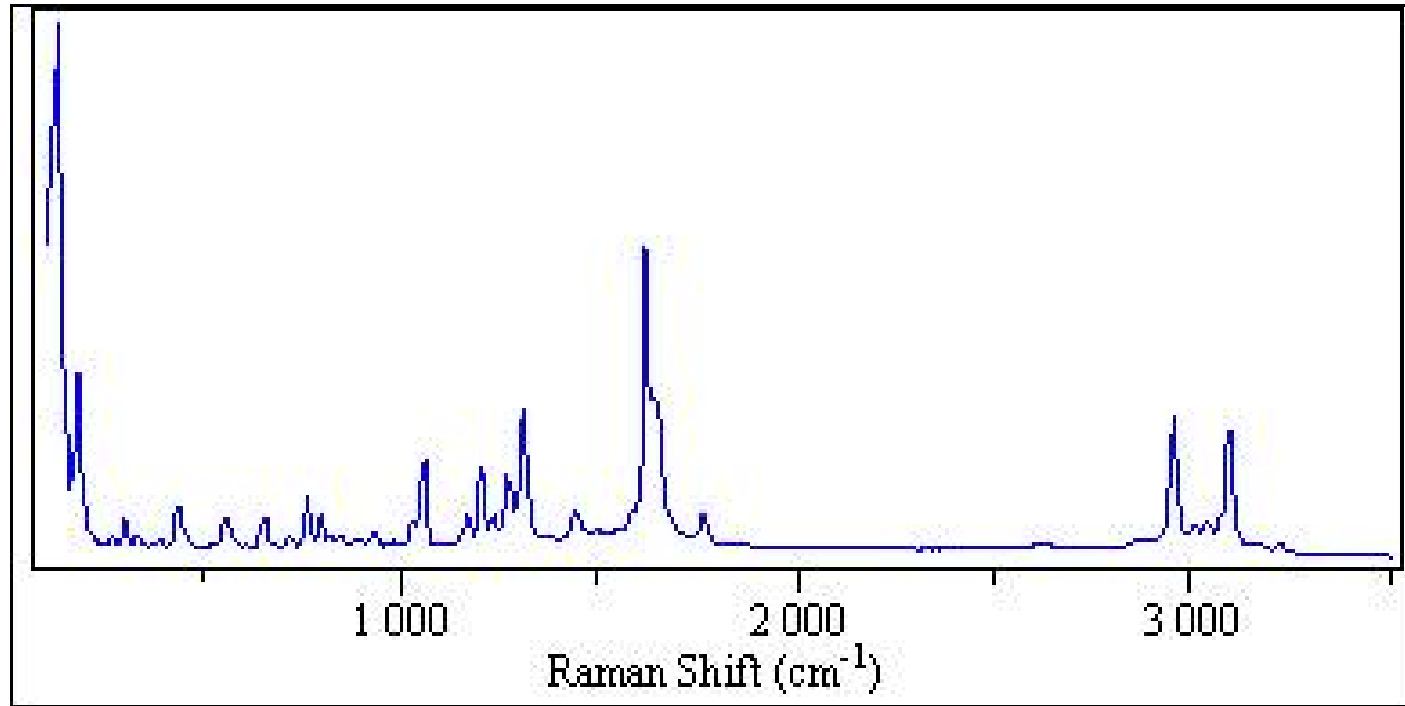
e.g. Raman shift / Elastic peak

Image: Raman_energy_levels.svg/Wikipedia

What is Raman spectroscopy

- Photon excites the solid to an unstable state
- The excitation relaxes:
 - Directly, emitting photon on the same wavelength
 - Indirectly, emitting a phonon and photon of a shifted wavelength

What is Raman spectroscopy



Spectrum of aspirin (4-acetylsalicylic acid) acquired in 1 second

Image from Horiba scientific

What is Raman spectroscopy

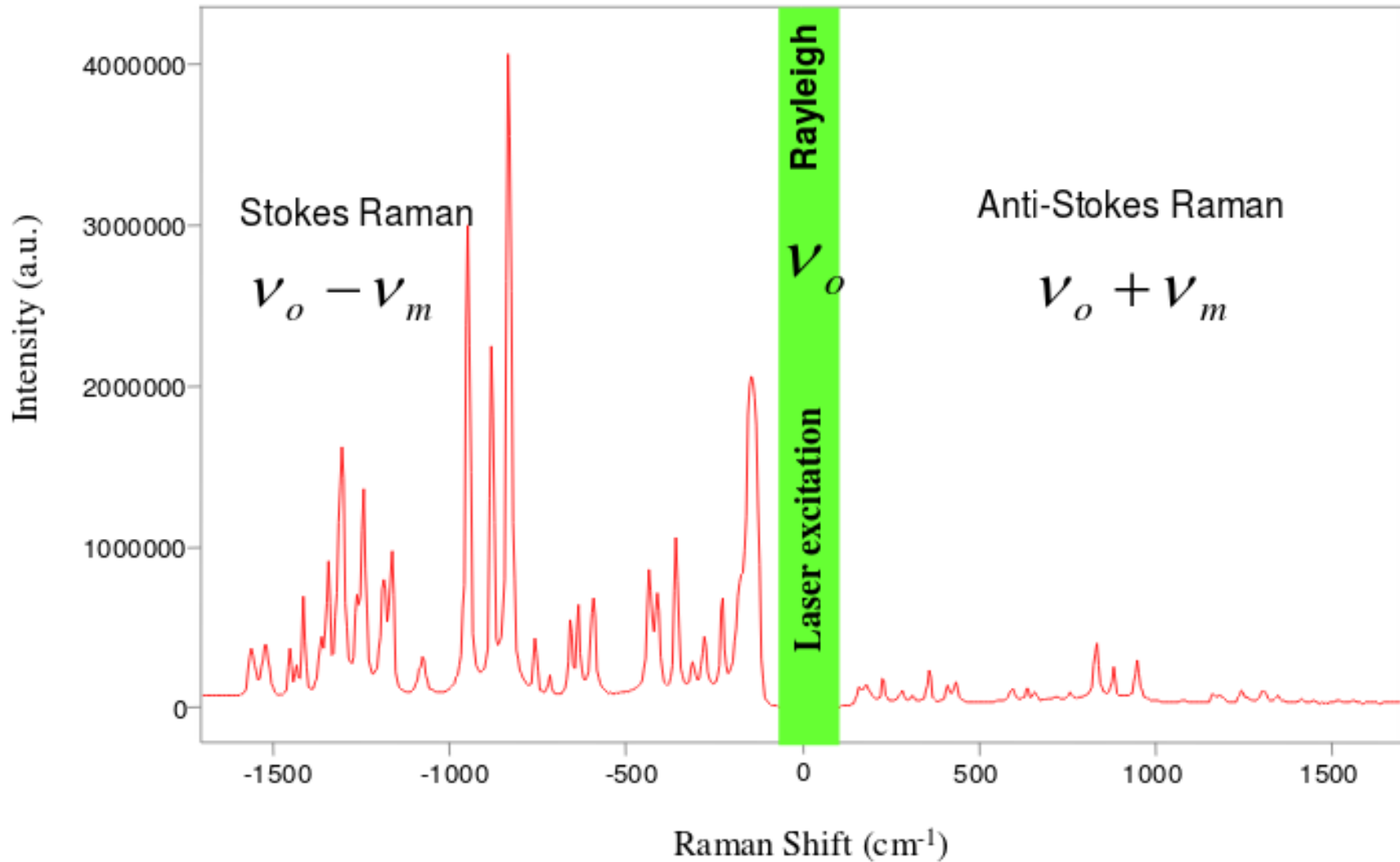


Image: Anupan Misra, HIGP, Honolulu

Computing the Raman x section

- The intensity is proportional to:

$$I^\nu \propto \left| \mathbf{e}_i \overleftrightarrow{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{e}_s \right|^2 \frac{n_\nu + 1}{\omega_\nu}$$

- Where the tensor \mathbf{A} is the response w.r.t one phonon and two electric fields

$$A_{\alpha\beta}^\nu = \sum_{l\gamma} \frac{\partial^3 E_{Ks}}{\partial E_\alpha \partial E_\beta \partial u_{l\gamma}} \frac{w_{l\gamma}^\nu}{\sqrt{M_l}}$$

Porezag&Pederson PRB 54, 7830 (1996) – Lazzeri&Mauri PRL 90, 036401 (2003)

Computing the Raman tensor

- Simpler approach:
 - finite derivation of the dielectric matrix
- Advantages: readily available, does not require a super-cell
- Disadvantages: bad scaling, very expensive for large systems

Computing the Raman tensor

- Smarter approach:

- Density matrix $\rho = \sum |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$

- Energy derivative

$$\frac{\partial E_{KS}}{\partial u_{I\gamma}} = 2\text{Tr} \left[\rho \frac{\partial v_{\text{ext}}}{\partial u_{I\gamma}} \right]$$

- V_{ext} does not change with an ext **E** field

$$\frac{\partial^3 E_{KS}}{\partial u_{I\gamma} \partial E_{\alpha} \partial E_{\beta}} = 2\text{Tr} \left[\frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial E_{\alpha} \partial E_{\beta}} \frac{\partial v_{\text{ext}}}{\partial u_{I\gamma}} \right]$$

Computing the Raman tensor

- We still need the 2nd derivative of ρ

$$\frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \lambda \partial \mu} = \sum_{\nu} \left(|P_c \eta^{\lambda\mu} \rangle \langle \psi_{n\mathbf{u}}| + |P_c \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \lambda} \rangle \langle P_c \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \mu}| - \sum_{\nu'} |\psi_{\nu'} \rangle \langle P_c \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \lambda} | P_c \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \mu} \rangle \langle \psi_{\nu}| \right) + \text{c.c.}$$

- We have all the ingredients, except $\eta^{\lambda\mu}$, the second derivative of Ψ in the parallel transport gauge

Computing the Raman tensor

- Solving with a Green function method

$$|P_c \frac{\partial \psi_\nu}{\partial \lambda} \rangle = \tilde{G}_\nu \left[\frac{\partial V^{KS}}{\partial \lambda}, \rho \right] |\psi_\nu \rangle$$

$$|P_c \eta_\nu^{\lambda\mu} \rangle = \tilde{G}_\nu \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 V^{KS}}{\partial \lambda \partial \mu} + \left[\frac{\partial V^{KS}}{\partial \lambda}, \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \mu} \right] + \left[\frac{\partial V^{KS}}{\partial \mu}, \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \lambda} \right] \right\} |\psi_\nu \rangle$$

$$\tilde{G}_\nu = \sum_c \frac{|\psi_c \rangle \langle \psi_c|}{\epsilon_\nu - \epsilon_c}$$

Computing the Raman tensor

- In periodic boundary condition, the \mathbf{r} operator can be expressed as a derivative w.r.t the wavevector

$$\langle \psi_c^{\mathbf{k}} | [r_l, \rho] | \psi_v^{\mathbf{k}} \rangle = i \sum_{v'} \langle u_c^{\mathbf{k}} | \frac{\partial |u_{v'}^{\mathbf{k}}\rangle \langle u_{v'}^{\mathbf{k}}|}{\partial k_l} | u_v^{\mathbf{k}} \rangle,$$

$$\langle \psi_c^{\mathbf{k}} | \left[r_l, \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial E_m} \right] | \psi_v^{\mathbf{k}} \rangle = i \sum_{v'} \langle u_c^{\mathbf{k}} | \frac{\partial |P_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{\partial u_{v'}^{\mathbf{k}}}{\partial E_m}\rangle \langle u_{v'}^{\mathbf{k}}|}{\partial k_l} | u_v^{\mathbf{k}} \rangle,$$

- We can compute ε with the Gonze formula

Computing the Raman tensor

- One critical component of the calculation in practice is the convergence with the k-points grid
- Convergence of this method is usually much faster than the finite differences method
- Check that ε computed with the two formulas is consistent (finite difference derivative w.r.t the wavevector)

Computing the Raman tensor

- If you are familiar with Berry phase formalism, you will notice that we are using more or less the same “ingredients”
- This theory can be also formulated in terms of Berry phase (see Gonze)
- It is possible to do finite differences w.r.t \mathbf{E} using the modern theory of polarization

Computing the Raman tensor

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If .true. calculate non-resonant Raman coefficients using second-order response as in:
M. Lazzeri and F. Mauri, [PRL 90, 036401 \(2003\)](#).

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Optional variables for Raman:

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Threshold for calculation of $P_c R |\psi\rangle$.

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Threshold for non-scf wavefunction calculation.

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dek	REAL
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Delta_xk used for wavefunction derivation wrt k.

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Computing the Raman tensor

- Some important limitations:
 - Only norm-conserving pseudopotentials
 - Only LDA (PBE wip?)
 - Limited support for spin-polarization
 - Not for metals (you could enable it for semimetals at your own risk)

Computing the Raman tensor

- You do not need to compute the phonons in the same run
 - *only the derivative of the external potential w.r.t the harmonic perturbation is needed*
 - *But you will have to re-assemble the dynamical matrix file by hand*

Computing the Raman X section

- dynmat.x can read the dynamical matrix file and compute the cross section if **A** is available
- It uses the non-polarized formula (e.g. good for molecule, powder samples)

$$I^{\nu} \propto \left| \mathbf{e}_i \overset{\leftrightarrow}{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{e}_s \right|^2 \frac{n_{\nu} + 1}{\omega_{\nu}}$$

- LR_Modules/dynmat_sub.f90

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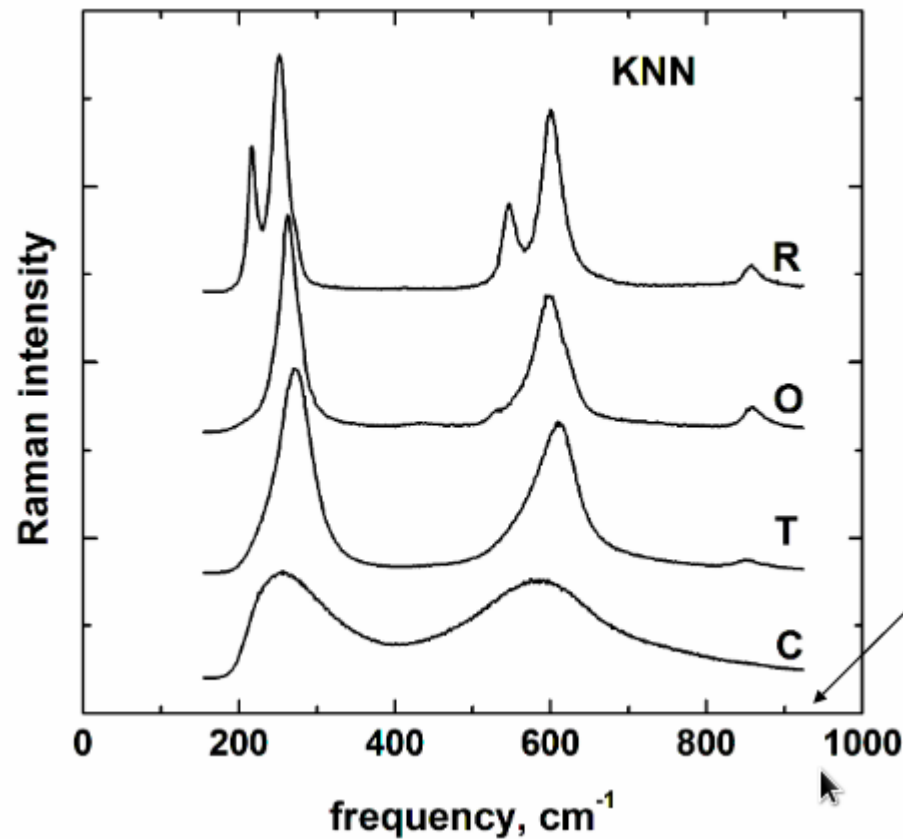
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Special cases for Raman

- As seen here, Raman can only measure phonons at Γ
- In second order Raman, two phonons are emitted with opposite momentum
- Raman can be resonant, when the laser frequency is tuned (willingly or not) to the energy of some transition

Phonon linewidth

- In reality a Raman spectrum looks more like this:



Phonon linewidth

- Each peak is not a perfect energy delta
- In the best case it is a narrow Lorentzian
 - its FWHM is temperature dependent
- In the case of anharmonic materials the main peaks can have *satellites*
- These features can appear/disappear with T

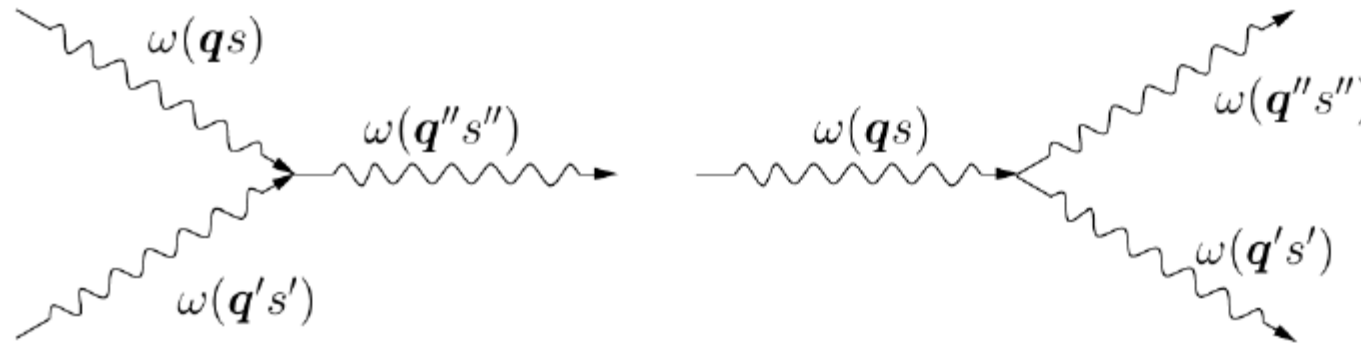
Phonon linewidth

- We expand the total energy around its minimum as a function of a perturbation (harmonic phonons)

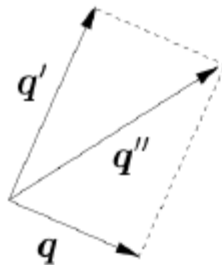
$$E[\lambda] = E^0 - \sum_i f_i \lambda_i + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} h_{ij} \lambda_i \lambda_j + \frac{1}{3!} \sum_{ijk} d_{ijk} \lambda_i \lambda_j \lambda_k + \dots$$

- We will treat the orders beyond the 2nd as a perturbation on top of harmonic phonons

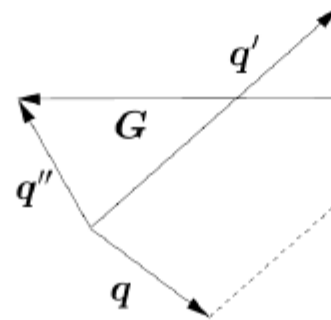
Phonon linewidth



(a) Normal Process



(b) Umklapp Process



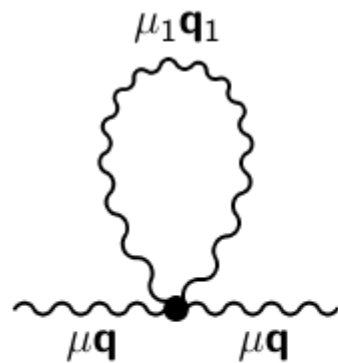
2 phonons can merge in one (coalescence) or one can divide in 2 (decay)

→ momentum has to be conserved ($\pm G$ for PBC) as well as energy

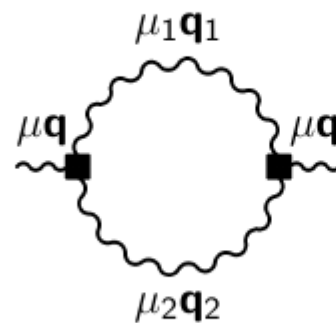
These interactions are *not* possible in the simple harmonic model

Phonon linewidth

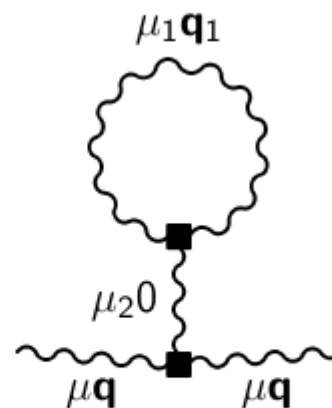
- These features are due to the breakdown of the quasi-particle of phonons



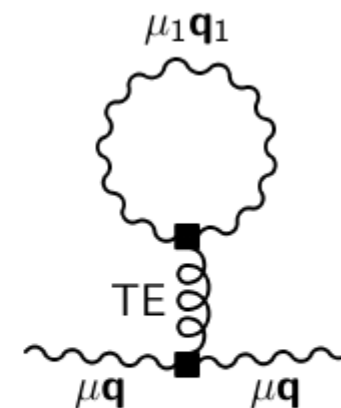
(L)



(B)

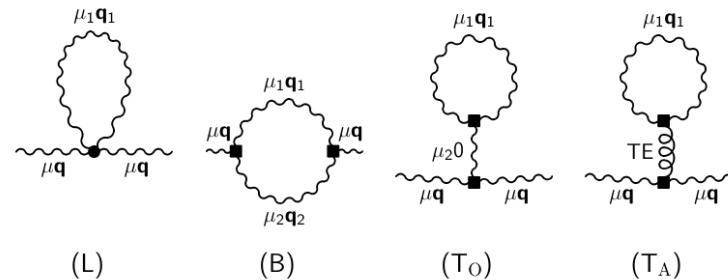


(T₀)



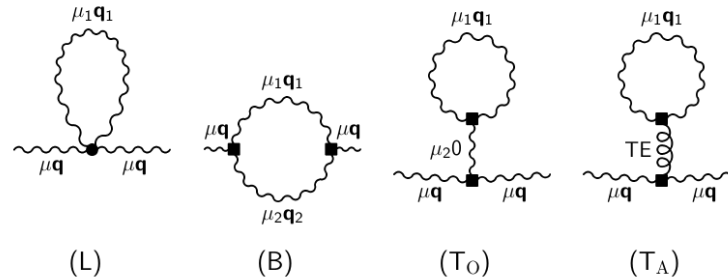
(T_A)

Phonon linewidth



- The **T**adpole diagram is treated in QHA ($T_0 =$ internal coords, $T_A =$ cell volume)
- The **L**oop diagram only contributes a shift to the phonon frequency
- The **B**ubble diagram is responsible for the lineshift+linewidth

Phonon linewidth



$$\Pi_{\mu}^L(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = \frac{1}{2N\hbar} \sum_{\mathbf{q}_1 \mu_1} \phi_{\mu\mu\mu_1\mu_1}^{(4)}(-\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{q}_1, -\mathbf{q}_1) [2n_B(\omega_{\mu_1}(\mathbf{q}_1)) + 1]$$

$$\Pi_{\mu}^T(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = -\frac{1}{N\hbar^2} \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{q}_1 \\ \mu_1 \mu_2}} \phi_{\mu\mu\mu_2}^{(3)}(-\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{q}, 0) \phi_{\mu_1\mu_1\mu_2}^{(3)}(-\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_1, 0) [2n_B(\omega_{\mu_1}(\mathbf{q}_1)) + 1]$$

$$\Pi_{\mu}^B(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = -\frac{1}{2N\hbar^2} \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{q}_1 \\ \mu_1 \mu_2}} |\phi_{\mu\mu\mu_1\mu_2}^{(3)}(-\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{q}_1)|^2$$

$$\times \frac{1}{\hbar} \left[\frac{2(\omega_1 + \omega_2)[1 + n_B(\omega_1) + n_B(\omega_2)]}{(\omega_1 + \omega_2)^2 - (\omega + i\delta)^2} + \frac{2(\omega_1 - \omega_2)[n_B(\omega_2) - n_B(\omega_1)]}{(\omega_2 - \omega_1)^2 - (\omega + i\delta)^2} \right]$$

Phonon linewidth

- The phonon linewidth (HWHM= γ) is the Imaginary part of Π^B :

$$\frac{1}{\tau_{\mathbf{q}j}(T)} = \gamma_{\mathbf{q}j}(T) = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar^2 N_q} \sum_{\mathbf{q}', j', j''} \left| V_{\mathbf{q}j, \mathbf{q}'j', \mathbf{q}''j''}^{(3)} \right|^2 \times$$
$$\left[(1 + \bar{n}_{\mathbf{q}'j'} + \bar{n}_{\mathbf{q}''j''}) \delta(\omega_{\mathbf{q}j} - \omega_{\mathbf{q}'j'} - \omega_{\mathbf{q}''j''}) + \right.$$
$$\left. 2(\bar{n}_{\mathbf{q}'j'} - \bar{n}_{\mathbf{q}''j''}) \delta(\omega_{\mathbf{q}j} + \omega_{\mathbf{q}'j'} - \omega_{\mathbf{q}''j''}) \right].$$

- With a bit of algebra we recast it as a sort of Fermi golden-rule

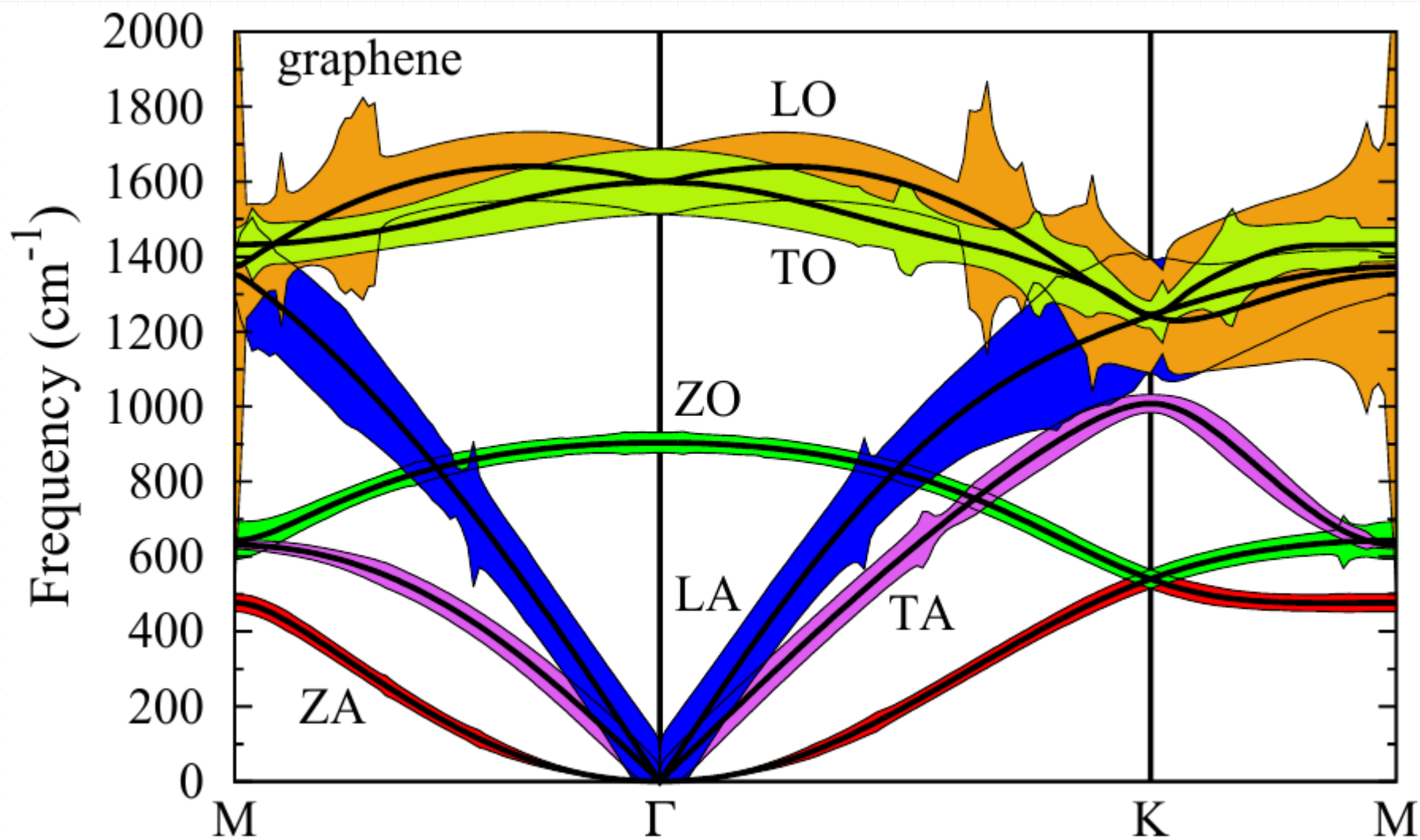
Third derivative of total energy

- It can be computed from the first variation of the wfc using the $2n+1$ theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^3 E}{d\lambda^3} &= \frac{\partial^3 E_{II}}{\partial \lambda^3} + 6 \sum_v \langle \phi'_v | H'_{KS} - \epsilon'_v | \phi'_v \rangle \\ &+ 3 \int v_{\text{ext}}^{(2)}(r) n'(r) dr + \int v_{\text{ext}}^{(3)}(r) n(r) dr \\ &+ \frac{1}{6} \int \frac{\delta^3 E_{xc}[n]}{\delta n(r) \delta n(r') \delta n(r'')} n'(r) n'(r') n'(r'') dr dr' dr'' \end{aligned}$$

- +many additional terms (metals, psp, gga)

Phonon linewidth



Strongly anharmonic case

- We can drop completely the quasiparticles and compute the spectral width directly:

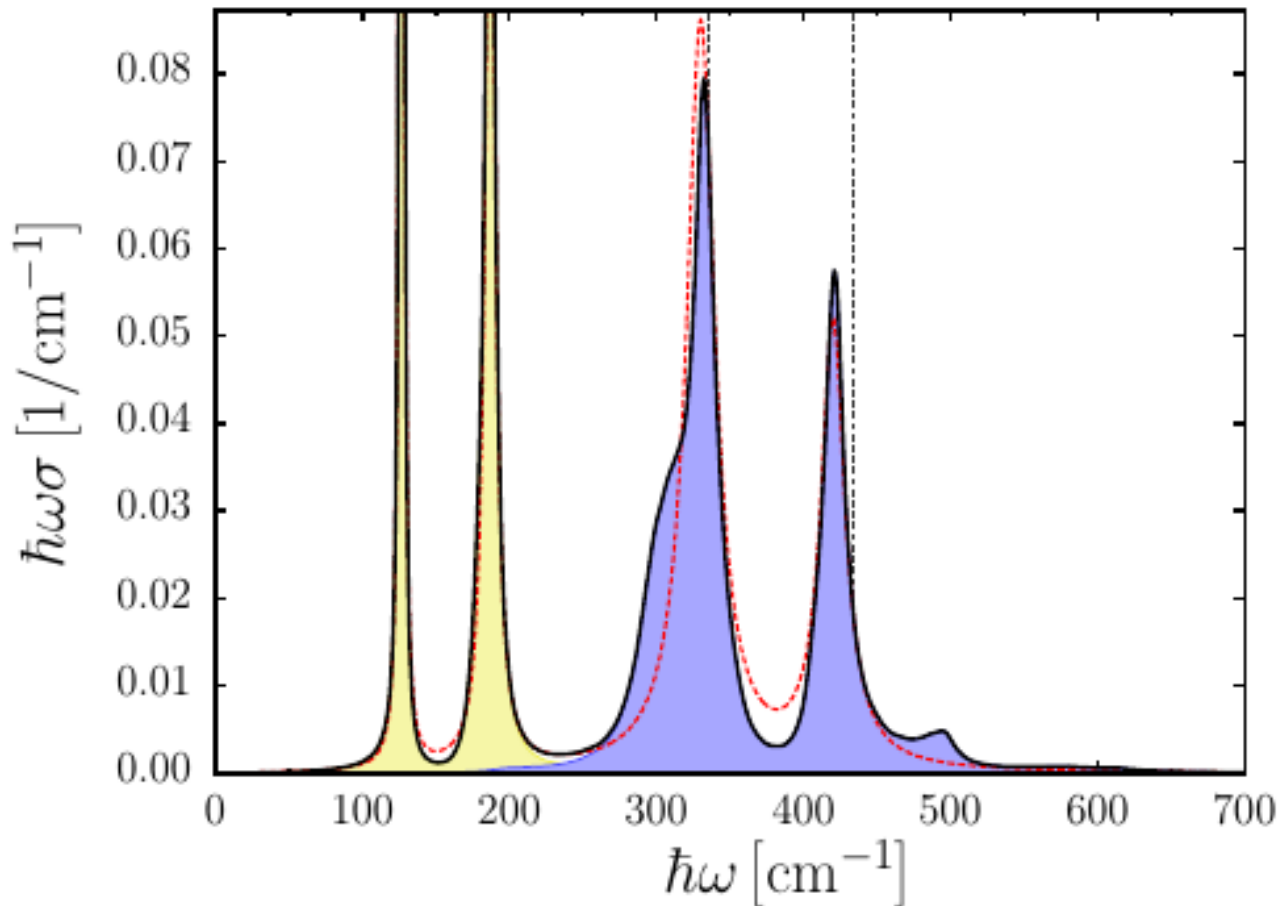
$$\sigma(\mathbf{q}, \omega) =$$

$$\sum_{\mu} \frac{-2\hbar\Omega_{\mu}(\mathbf{q})\Im\Gamma_{\mu}^{\mathcal{H}B}(\mathbf{q}, \omega)}{[\hbar^2\omega^2 - \hbar^2\Omega_{\mu}^2(\mathbf{q}) - 2\hbar\Omega_{\mu}(\mathbf{q})\Re\Gamma_{\mu}^{\mathcal{H}B}(\mathbf{q}, \omega)]^2 + 4\hbar^2\omega_{\mu}^2(\mathbf{q})[\Im\Gamma_{\mu}^{\mathcal{H}B}(\mathbf{q}, \omega)]^2}$$

- *It is wrong to include the lineshift from B while ignoring that from T and L!*
- It falls back to the previous case when Γ^B is constant in ω

Strongly anharmonic case

- Example: Palladium Hydride



Combining X section with SPF

- At least in the case of moderate anharmonicity
→ weight the contribution of each mode with its harmonic cross section
- Also in the case of strong anharmonicity, it is an unjustified but useful approach
- In any case, the complexity of the experimental conditions must be taken in account

Afternoon session

- Computing the IR and Raman cross sections for a Co₂ molecule
- And for Aluminum Arsenide (AlAs)
- If there is time: we will see a script to compute the Raman tensor by finite differences, compare its convergence with DFPT

Thank you!

