

**PHY 712 Electrodynamics  
9-9:50 AM MWF Olin 105**

**Plan for Lecture 33:**  
**Special Topics in Electrodynamics:  
Some optical properties of materials**

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23	Fri: 03/22/2019	Chap. 9 and 10	Radiation from oscillating sources	#17	3/27/2019
24	Mon: 03/25/2019	Chap. 11	Special Theory of Relativity	Pick topic	3/29/2019
25	Wed: 03/27/2019	Chap. 11	Special Theory of Relativity	#18	4/01/2019
26	Fri: 03/29/2019	Chap. 11	Special Theory of Relativity	#19	4/03/2019
27	Mon: 04/01/2019	Chap. 14	Radiation from accelerating charged particles	#20	4/05/2019
28	Wed: 04/03/2019	Chap. 14	Synchrotron radiation		
29	Fri: 04/05/2019	Chap. 14	Synchrotron radiation	#21	4/10/2019
30	Mon: 04/08/2019	Chap. 15	Radiation from collisions of charged particles	#22	4/12/2019
31	Wed: 04/10/2019	Chap. 13	Cherenkov radiation		
32	Fri: 04/12/2019		Special topic: E & M aspects of superconductivity		
33	Mon: 04/15/2019		Special topic: Aspects of optical properties of materials		
34	Wed: 04/17/2019	Chap. 1-15	Review		
	Fri: 04/19/2019	No class	Good Friday		
35	Mon: 04/22/2019	Chap. 1-15	Review		
36	Wed: 04/24/2019	Chap. 1-15	Review		
	Fri: 04/26/2019		Presentations I		
	Mon: 04/29/2019		Presentations II		
	Wed: 05/01/2019		Presentations III		

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**April 2019**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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**May 2019**

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**Schedule for PHY 712 presentations**  
Friday, April 26, 2019

	Name	Topic
9:00-9:15	Ibn Newsom	Current density from particle production in thermal background and its coupling to quantum scalar field?
9:17-9:31	Dazhou Wu	Ewald
9:32-9:48	Leda Gao	Hyperfine Hamiltonian

Monday, April 29, 2019

	Name	Topic
9:00-9:15	Shohreh Ghazaei	2D FEM
9:17-9:31	Lindsey Gray	
9:32-9:48		

Wednesday, May 1, 2019

	Name	Topic
9:00-9:15	Eric	TBD
9:17-9:31	Ryan	Planetary Magnetism?
9:32-9:48		

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**Events**

**PhD Defense: "Rare-Earth and Alkaline-Earth Halides with Scintillation Activators and Co-Dopants Studied by Probescent Optical Absorption Spectroscopy"** April 15, 2019 at 11 AM  
Pajar (Li) Public Presentation in 238 Library Auditorium Monday, April 15, 2019 at 11 AM  
There will be a reception with refreshments following the defense in Old Lounge. All interested are invited.

**Colloquium: "The Inner Lives of Electrons"** – Wednesday, April 17, 2019, at 4:00 PM  
Paul W. Ayers, PhD Department of Physics and Astronomy, McMaster University and George P. Williams Jr. Lecture Hall (Old) 101 Wednesday, April 17, 2019, at 4:00 PM There will be

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## Aspects of optical properties of solids

Electronic structure of an atom

For simplicity we will first consider a single electron system; a H-like ion with atomic charge  $Ze$  and one electron of charge  $-e$ :

According to Quantum Mechanics:

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 - \frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

$$H\Psi_{nlm}(r, \theta, \phi) = E_{nlm}\Psi_{nlm}(r, \theta, \phi)$$

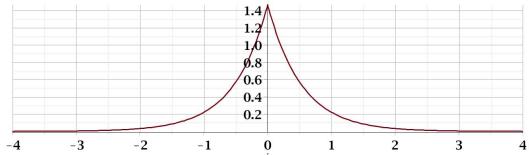
$$E_{nlm} = -\frac{Z^2 e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 a_0} \frac{1}{2n^2} \equiv \frac{E_{100}}{n^2} \quad a_0 \equiv \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 \hbar^2}{me^2}$$

$E_{100} = -13.60569253 Z^2 \text{ eV}$

$a_0 = 0.52917721092 \text{ \AA}$

Probability amplitude for electron in the ground state:

$$\Psi_{100}(r, \theta, \phi) = \sqrt{\frac{Z^3}{\pi a_0^3}} e^{-Zr/a_0}$$



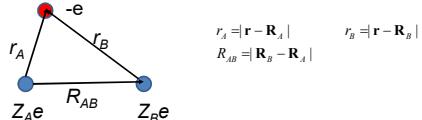
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Now consider one electron in the presence of two H-like ions:

Electronic structure of H-like molecular ion  
(within Born-Oppenheimer approximation)



$$r_A = |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_A| \quad r_B = |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_B|$$

$$R_{AB} = |\mathbf{R}_B - \mathbf{R}_A|$$

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 - \frac{Z_A e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_A} - \frac{Z_B e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_B} + \frac{Z_A Z_B e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}}$$

Approximate wavefunction:

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{R}_A, \mathbf{R}_B) = X_A \Psi_{100}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_A) + X_B \Psi_{100}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_B)$$

$X_A$  and  $X_B$  can be determined variationally by optimizing

$$E = \frac{\langle \Psi | H | \Psi \rangle}{\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle}$$

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Electronic structure of H-like molecular ion – continued  
Ref. Pauling and Wilson, *Introduction to Quantum Mechanics* (1935) (now published by Dover)

Necessary integrals:

$$\Delta \equiv \int d^3r \Psi_{100}^*(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_A) \Psi_{100}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_B)$$

$$H_{AA} \equiv \int d^3r \Psi_{100}^*(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_A) H \Psi_{100}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_A) = H_{BB}$$

$$H_{AB} \equiv \int d^3r \Psi_{100}^*(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_A) H \Psi_{100}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_B)$$

Generalized eigenvalue problem for energy  $E$  in the variational approximation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_{AA} & H_{AB} \\ H_{BA} & H_{BB} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_A \\ X_B \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \Delta \\ \Delta & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_A \\ X_B \end{pmatrix}$$

Eigenstates:

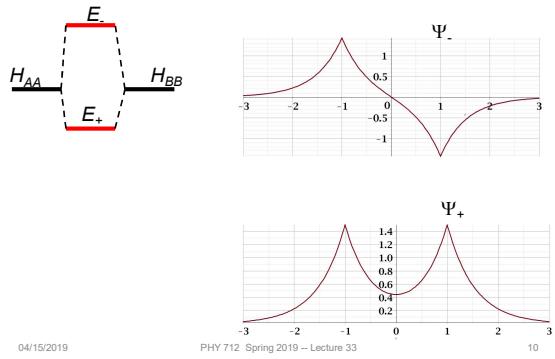
$$\begin{pmatrix} X_A \\ X_B \end{pmatrix}_{+} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(1+\Delta)}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad E_{+} = \frac{H_{AA} + H_{AB}}{1 + \Delta}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_A \\ X_B \end{pmatrix}_{-} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(1-\Delta)}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad E_{-} = \frac{H_{AA} - H_{AB}}{1 - \Delta}$$

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## Electronic structure of H-like molecular ion – continued



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Formation of “energy bands” with a large number of atoms --

Extension of approximate “linear combination of atomic orbital” idea to larger systems

Idealized model Hamiltonian with only nearest neighbor interactions:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & \cdots & 0 \\ \beta & \alpha & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ \vdots \\ X_N \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ \vdots \\ X_N \end{pmatrix}$$

$N=2 \quad N=3 \quad N=4$

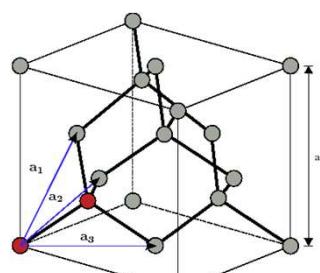
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In practice, the “energy band” structure of materials is affected by competing effects of structure and composition

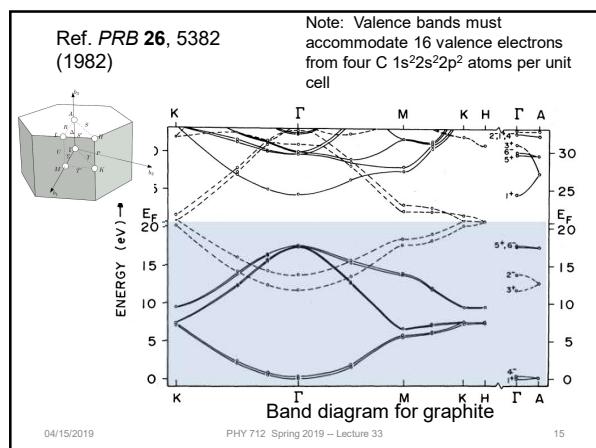
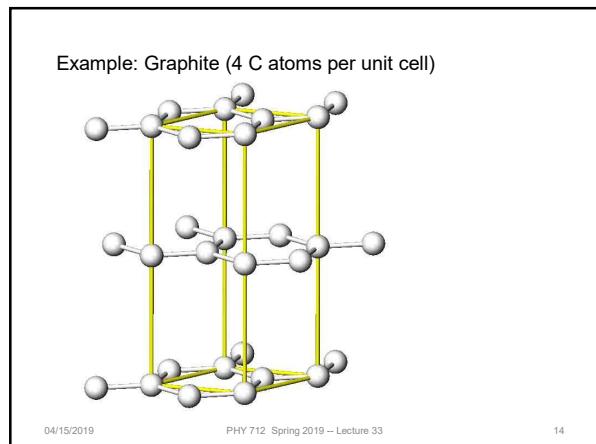
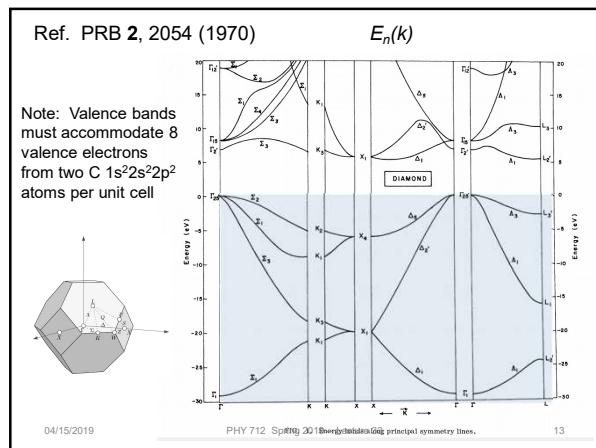
Example: Diamond lattice (2 C atoms per unit cell)

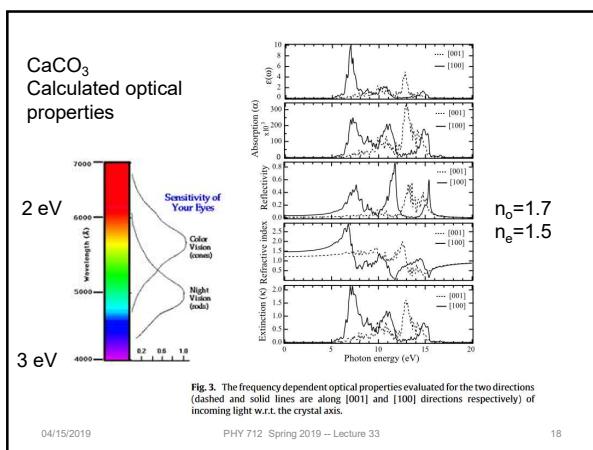
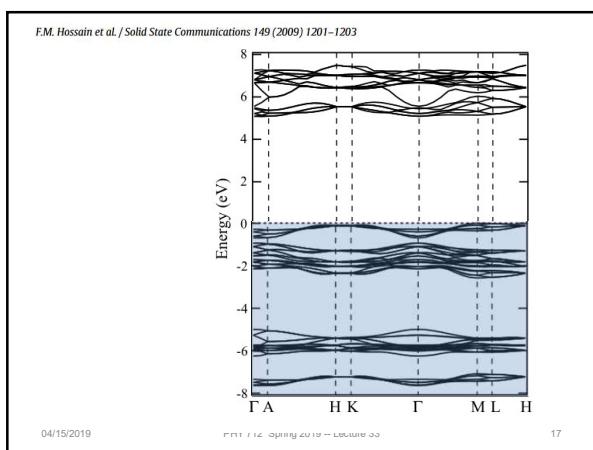
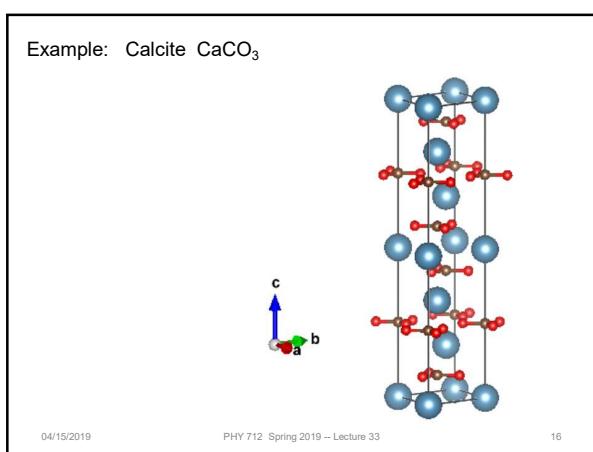


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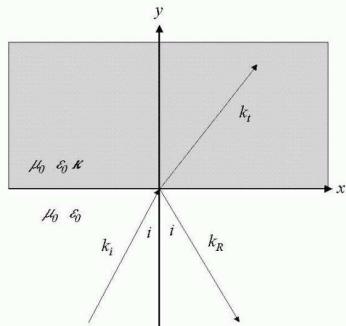
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Reflectance and transmittance in an anisotropic crystal --



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Consider the problem of determining the reflectance from an anisotropic medium with isotropic permeability  $\mu_0$  and anisotropic permittivity  $\epsilon_0 \kappa$  where:

$$\mathbf{K} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} K_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & K_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & K_{zz} \end{pmatrix}$$

By assumption, the wave vector in the medium is confined to the x-y plane and will be denoted by

$\mathbf{k}_t \equiv \frac{\omega}{c} (n_x \hat{\mathbf{x}} + n_y \hat{\mathbf{y}})$ , where  $n_x$  and  $n_y$  are to be determined.

The electric field inside the medium is given by:

$$\mathbf{E} = (E_x \hat{\mathbf{x}} + E_y \hat{\mathbf{y}} + E_z \hat{\mathbf{z}}) e^{i \frac{\omega}{c} (n_x x + n_y y) - i \omega t}$$

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Inside the anisotropic medium, Maxwell's equations are:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{H} = 0 \quad \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\kappa} \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} - i\omega \mu_0 \mathbf{H} = 0 \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{H} + i\omega \epsilon_0 \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0$$

After some algebra, the equation for  $\mathbf{E}$  is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \kappa_{xx} - n_y^2 & n_x n_y & 0 \\ n_x n_y & \kappa_{yy} - n_x^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \kappa_{zz} - (n_x^2 + n_y^2) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ E_z \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

From E, H can be determined from

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{\mu_0 c} \left\{ E_z (n_y \hat{\mathbf{x}} - n_x \hat{\mathbf{y}}) + (E_y n_x - E_x n_y) \hat{\mathbf{z}} \right\} e^{\frac{i\omega}{c}(n_x x + n_y y) - i\alpha t}$$

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**Solution for p-polarization**

$$E_z = 0 \Rightarrow n_y^2 = \frac{\kappa_{xx}}{\kappa_{yy}} (\kappa_{yy} - n_x^2).$$

Note that for  $\kappa_{xx} = \kappa_{yy}$

$$\mathbf{E} = E_x \left( \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\kappa_{xx} n_x}{\kappa_{yy} n_y} \hat{\mathbf{y}} \right) e^{i \frac{\omega}{c} (n_x x + n_y y) - i \omega t}, \quad n_y = \sqrt{\kappa_{xx} - \sin^2 i}$$

$$\mathbf{H} = -\frac{E_x}{\mu_0 c} \frac{\kappa_{xx}}{n_y} \hat{\mathbf{z}} e^{i \frac{\omega}{c} (n_x x + n_y y) - i \omega t}.$$

$E_x$  must be determined from the continuity conditions:

$$(E_0 - E_0'') \cos i = E_x \quad (E_0 + E_0'') = \frac{\kappa_{xx}}{n_y} E_x \quad (E_0 + E_0'') \sin i = \frac{\kappa_{xx} n_x}{n_y} E_x.$$

$$\frac{E_0''}{E_0} = \frac{\kappa_{xx} \cos i - n_y}{\kappa_{xx} \cos i + n_y}, \quad \frac{E_x}{E_0} = \frac{2 \kappa_{xx} \cos i}{\kappa_{xx} \cos i + n_y}.$$

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**Some details for p-polarization**

$$\mathbf{E}_0 = E_0 \left( \hat{\mathbf{x}} \cos i - \hat{\mathbf{y}} \sin i \right) e^{i \frac{\omega}{c} (\sin i x + \cos i y) - i \omega t}$$

$$\mathbf{E}'_0 = E'_0 \left( -\hat{\mathbf{x}} \cos i - \hat{\mathbf{y}} \sin i \right) e^{i \frac{\omega}{c} (\sin i x - \cos i y) - i \omega t}$$

$$\mathbf{H}_0 = -\frac{E_0}{\mu_0 c} \hat{\mathbf{z}} e^{i \frac{\omega}{c} (\sin i x + \cos i y) - i \omega t} \quad \mathbf{H}'_0 = -\frac{E'_0}{\mu_0 c} \hat{\mathbf{z}} e^{i \frac{\omega}{c} (\sin i x - \cos i y) - i \omega t}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = E_x \left( \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\kappa_{xx} n_x}{\kappa_{yy} n_y} \hat{\mathbf{y}} \right) e^{i \frac{\omega}{c} (n_x x + n_y y) - i \omega t} \quad \mathbf{H} = -\frac{E_x}{\mu_0 c} \frac{\kappa_{xx}}{n_y} \hat{\mathbf{z}} e^{i \frac{\omega}{c} (n_x x + n_y y) - i \omega t}.$$

Continuity conditions:

$$(E_0 - E_0'') \cos i = E_x \quad (E_0 + E_0'') = \frac{\kappa_{xx}}{n_y} E_x \quad (E_0 + E_0'') \sin i = \frac{\kappa_{xx} n_x}{n_y} E_x.$$

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