

III. Linear Dielectric Response of Matter

Before getting to frequency doubling (which requires nonlinear anisotropic response of sample) we need to understand linear isotropic response.

Possible types of behavior

instantaneous linear local response

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \chi \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t)$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P} = (1 + \chi) \mathbf{E} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}$$

Heaviside Lorentz
dielectric susceptibility
dielectric constant

[Gaussian $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{E} + 4\pi\mathbf{P}$

SI $\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P}$]

anisotropic response

$$P_\alpha(\mathbf{r}, t) = \sum_\beta \chi_{\alpha\beta} E_\beta(\mathbf{r}, t)$$

time-delayed response

$$P_\alpha(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \chi_{\alpha\beta}(t-t') E_\beta(t') dt'$$

Nonlinear response

$$P_\alpha = \chi_{\alpha\beta}^{[1]} E_\beta + \chi_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{[2]} E_\beta E_\gamma + \chi_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}^{[3]} E_\beta E_\gamma E_\delta + \dots$$

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Nonlocal:

The dipole moment \mathbf{P} might depend on the electric field ELSEWHERE, SOME TIME AGO.

$$P_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \sum_{\beta} \int dt' d\mathbf{r}' \chi_{\alpha\beta}(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}', t-t') E_{\beta}(\mathbf{r}', t')$$

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \beta$
 here + now How Far Away How Long Ago there + then
 In What Direction

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χ depends only on $\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}' \Leftrightarrow$ sample is uniform.
 What dependence on $\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'$ corresponds to an isotropic sample?

For now we examine

local isotropic linear time-delayed response

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \chi(t-t') \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t') dt'$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P} = \int_{-\infty}^t \epsilon(t-t') \mathbf{E}(t') dt'$$

$$\epsilon(t-t') = \delta(t-t') + \chi(t-t')$$

Essential Concepts

- The material may respond with a time-delay.
That gives a dielectric response function $\epsilon(t-t')$

↑
effect
↑
cause
- The Fourier transform of this quantity is the frequency-dependent dielectric constant $\tilde{\epsilon}(\omega)$. This gives dispersion.
- $\tilde{\epsilon}(\omega)$ is complex. Its imaginary part gives absorption, while its real part is related to the index of refraction.
- There are integral relationships between $\tilde{\epsilon}^{re}(\omega)$ and $\tilde{\epsilon}^{im}(\omega)$. (Kramers-Kronig relationships)
- Simple models give an approximate formula for $\tilde{\epsilon}^{im}(\omega)$. Quantum theory gives a comparable result.
- From $\tilde{\epsilon}^{im}(\omega)$, the integral relationship gives $\tilde{\epsilon}^{re}(\omega)$
- $\tilde{\epsilon}^{re}$ can be negative.

The polarization here and now may depend on the electric field in the past, but NOT on the electric field in the future.

(The little man in the material might remember what we have done in the past, and he may still be responding to that; however he does not know what we are going to do in the future.)

Then
$$P_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int_{-\infty}^t dt' \chi(t-t') E_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}, t')$$

set $\tau = t - t'$

$$P_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int_0^{\infty} \chi(\tau) E_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}, t - \tau) d\tau$$

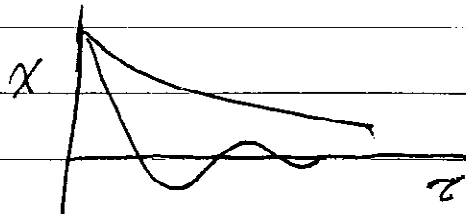
\uparrow now \uparrow how long ago \uparrow then

$$\chi(\tau) = 0 \quad \tau < 0.$$

$\chi(\tau)$ typically decays to zero on a time scale

that represents the "relaxation time" of the material.

This may be the time required to obtain thermal equilibrium. (picoseconds to days).



If we change E on a slower time-scale, then

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}, t) &= \int_0^{\infty} \chi(\tau) E_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}, t - \tau) d\tau \approx \int_0^{\infty} \chi(\tau) E_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}, t) d\tau \\ &= \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} \chi(\tau) d\tau}_{\chi} E_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}, t) \end{aligned}$$

$$P_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \chi E_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}, t)$$

Define Fourier Transforms:

$$\tilde{E}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega t} E_{\beta}(\mathbf{r}, t) dt$$

$$\tilde{P}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \int e^{i\omega t} P(\mathbf{r}, t) dt$$

$$\tilde{\chi}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega t} \chi(z) dz$$

Theorem

$$\tilde{P}_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \tilde{\chi}(\omega) \tilde{E}_{\beta}(\mathbf{r}, \omega)$$

Therefore

$$D(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \tilde{E}(\omega) E(\mathbf{r}, \omega)$$

$$\tilde{E}(\omega) = 1 + \tilde{\chi}(\omega)$$

Proof:

Special Case: Local Isotropic Noninstantaneous

$$P_{\alpha}(t) = \int_0^{\infty} \chi(\tau) E_{\alpha}(t-\tau) d\tau$$

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

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \chi(\tau) E(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau e^{i\omega\tau} \chi(\tau) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} e^{-i\omega\tau} E(t-\tau)$$

$$= \tilde{\chi}(\omega) \tilde{E}(\omega)$$

extend to $-\infty$
with $\chi(\tau)=0$
for $\tau < 0$.

Convolution \Leftrightarrow Product

Exercise: Show that this also holds for
nonlocal anisotropic case

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in this version]

a. Analytic
Properties of $\tilde{E}(w)$ and $\tilde{X}(w)$ for complex w .

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- They are defined for $\text{Im } w > 0$, i.e. in the upper half w -plane.

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet [\tilde{X}(w)]^* &= \left[\int_0^{\infty} e^{+i w z} \chi(z) dz \right]^* \\ &= \left[\int_0^{\infty} e^{-i w^* z} \chi^*(z) dz \right] \end{aligned}$$

but $\chi(z)$ is real for real z , so

$$\begin{aligned} [\tilde{X}(w)]^* &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{+i (-w^*) z} \chi(z) dz \\ &= \tilde{X}(-w^*) \end{aligned}$$

Also

$$[\tilde{E}(w)]^* = \tilde{E}(-w^*)$$

⇒ On the positive imaginary axis, $\tilde{E}(w)$ is real.

- On the real w axis,

$\text{Re } \tilde{E}(w)$ is a sym fn of w

$\text{Im } \tilde{E}(w)$ is an antisym fn of w

b. Causality and the Kramers-Kronig relationships

Causality condition: $\chi(t-t') = 0 \quad t < t'$
 (the medium responds to fields from the past, but not from the future)
 This implies certain relationships for $\tilde{\epsilon}(\omega)$

$\tilde{\epsilon}(\omega)$ is complex. Write $\tilde{\epsilon}(\omega) = \tilde{\epsilon}_r(\omega) + i\tilde{\epsilon}_i(\omega)$

Proposition: the causality condition implies certain integral relationships between $\tilde{\epsilon}_r(\omega)$ and $\tilde{\epsilon}_i(\omega)$. We claim

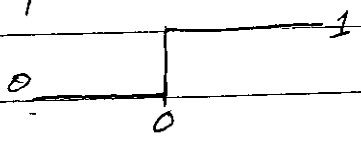
$$\tilde{\epsilon}_r(\omega) = \left[1 + \frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\Omega}{(\Omega^2 - \omega^2)} \tilde{\epsilon}_i(\Omega) d\Omega \right]$$

$$\tilde{\epsilon}_i(\omega) = \left[\frac{2\omega}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int \frac{\tilde{\epsilon}_r(\Omega) - 1}{(\omega^2 - \Omega^2)} d\Omega \right]$$

Mills normalization

Proof: since $\epsilon(\tau) = 0$ for $\tau < 0$, and $\chi(\tau) = 0$ for $\tau < 0$, we can write $\chi(\tau)$ as a product

$$\chi(\tau) = \chi(\tau) \mathcal{H}(\tau)$$

where $\mathcal{H}(\tau)$ is the Heaviside step fn 

It follows that $\tilde{\chi}(\omega)$ is the convolution of itself with the F.T. of the Heaviside fn. Set

$$\tilde{\chi}(\omega) = \int_0^{\infty} \chi(\tau) e^{i\omega\tau} d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \chi(\tau) \mathcal{H}(\tau) e^{i\omega\tau} d\tau$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{X}(\omega) &= \int x(z) H(z) e^{i\omega z} dz \\
&= \int x(z') \delta(z-z') H(z) e^{i\omega z} dz dz' \\
&= \int dz dz' x(z') \left[\int \frac{e^{-i\omega'(z-z')}}{2\pi} d\omega' \right] H(z) e^{i\omega z} \\
&= \int \frac{d\omega'}{2\pi} \int dz' e^{i\omega' z'} x(z') \int dz e^{i(\omega-\omega')z} H(z) \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int \tilde{X}(\omega') \tilde{H}(\omega-\omega') d\omega'
\end{aligned}$$

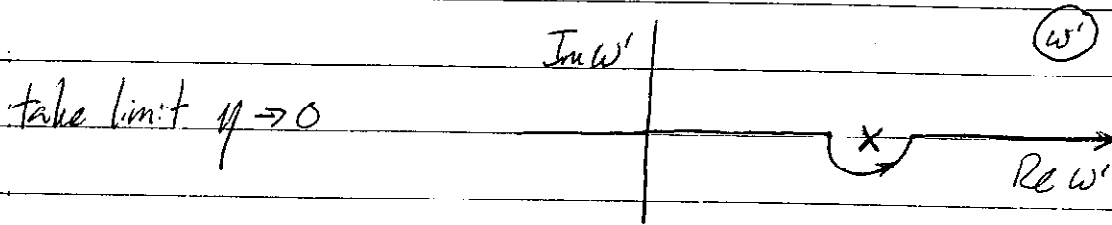
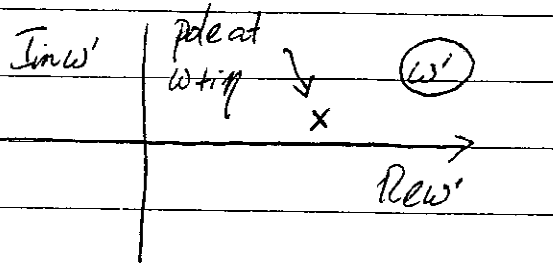
$$\tilde{H}(\omega) = \int_{0^-}^{\infty} e^{i\omega z} H(z) dz$$

The integral converges if ω has a small + im part:

$$\tilde{H}(\omega) = \frac{e^{i\omega z}}{i\omega} \Big|_{0^-}^{\infty} = \frac{i}{\omega + i\eta}$$

$$\tilde{H}(\omega-\omega') = \frac{i}{\omega-\omega' + i\eta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\chi}(\omega) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\chi}(\omega') \frac{i}{(\omega+i\eta-\omega')} d\omega' \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\chi}(\omega') \frac{-i}{\omega'-(\omega+i\eta)} d\omega' \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left\{ \mathcal{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\chi}(\omega') \frac{-i}{(\omega'-\omega)} d\omega' \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \pi i (-i) \tilde{\chi}(\omega) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{\chi}(\omega) = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\chi}(\omega) - i/2\pi \mathcal{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\chi}(\omega') \frac{1}{\omega'-\omega} d\omega'$$

$$\tilde{\chi}(\omega) = 2 \left(\frac{-i}{2\pi} \right) \mathcal{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\chi}(\omega') \frac{1}{(\omega'-\omega)} d\omega'$$

Therefore, writing $\tilde{X}(w) = \tilde{X}_{re}(w) + i \tilde{X}_{im}(w)$

$$\tilde{X}_{re}(w) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{X}_{im}(w') \frac{1}{w'-w} dw'$$

$$\tilde{X}_{im}(w) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{X}_{re}(w') \frac{1}{w'-w} dw'$$

$$\tilde{\epsilon}_{Mills}^{real}(w) = 1 + \frac{1}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\epsilon}_{Mills}^{im}(w') \frac{1}{w'-w} dw'$$

$$\tilde{\epsilon}_{Mills}^{im}(w) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [\tilde{\epsilon}_{Mills}^{real}(w') - 1] \frac{1}{w'-w} dw'$$

Now $\frac{1}{w'-w} = \frac{w'+w}{w'^2 - w^2}$

Denominator is sym in w'

$\tilde{\epsilon}_{Mills}^{im}$ is anti so $w \tilde{\epsilon}_{Mills}^{im}$ term gives zero

$\tilde{\epsilon}_{Mills}^{re}$ is sym so $w' \tilde{\epsilon}_{Mills}^{re}$ term gives zero.

Therefore

$$\epsilon_0^{\text{re}}(\omega) = 1 + \frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \epsilon_0^{\text{im}}(\omega') \frac{\omega'}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} d\omega'$$

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$$\epsilon_0^{\text{im}}(\omega) = -\frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} (\epsilon_0^{\text{re}}(\omega') - 1) \frac{\omega}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} d\omega'$$

Mills 2.24 a and b

These integral relationships follow from the facts that ϵ_0 is real and causal.

Now there are two possibilities:

(1) $\epsilon^{\text{re}}(\omega) = 1$ for all ω and $\epsilon^{\text{im}}(\omega) = 0$ for all ω .

Such a material acts like the vacuum.

(2) $\epsilon^{\text{re}}(\omega) \neq 1$ for some ω . It follows that

$\epsilon^{\text{im}}(\omega) = 0$ except possibly for isolated points.

Thus all materials absorb radiation at almost all frequencies. We call the medium "transparent" if $\epsilon^{\text{im}}(\omega)$ is small.

Behavior of ϵ for resonant absorption

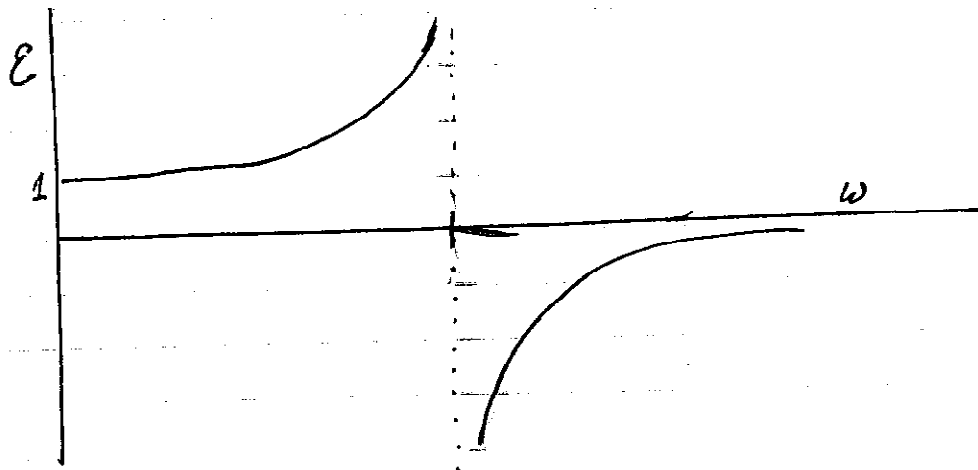
$$\epsilon^{im} = \mathcal{B} [\delta(\omega - \omega_0) - \delta(\omega + \omega_0)]$$

[must be anti: in ω]

$$\epsilon^{re} = 1 + \frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^{\infty} \mathcal{B} \delta(\omega' - \omega_0) \frac{\omega'}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} d\omega'$$

$$= 1 + \frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{B} \frac{\omega_0}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{\Omega^2}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}$$



For a broadened δ -fn, the princ part is finite

Note: just above resonance, ϵ can be negative.

"Negative index of refraction" \Rightarrow interesting effects.

They occur if BOTH dielectric const and corresponding magnetic constant are negative.

Dispersion Relation

$$\nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E}) + \left(-\nabla^2 + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}\right) \mathbf{E} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{P}}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}} = \tilde{\chi} \tilde{\mathbf{E}}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{D}} = \epsilon \tilde{\mathbf{E}}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0$$

$$\left[-\nabla^2 - \left(\frac{1+\chi}{c^2}\right) \omega^2\right] \tilde{\mathbf{E}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = 0$$

Traveling waves $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}$

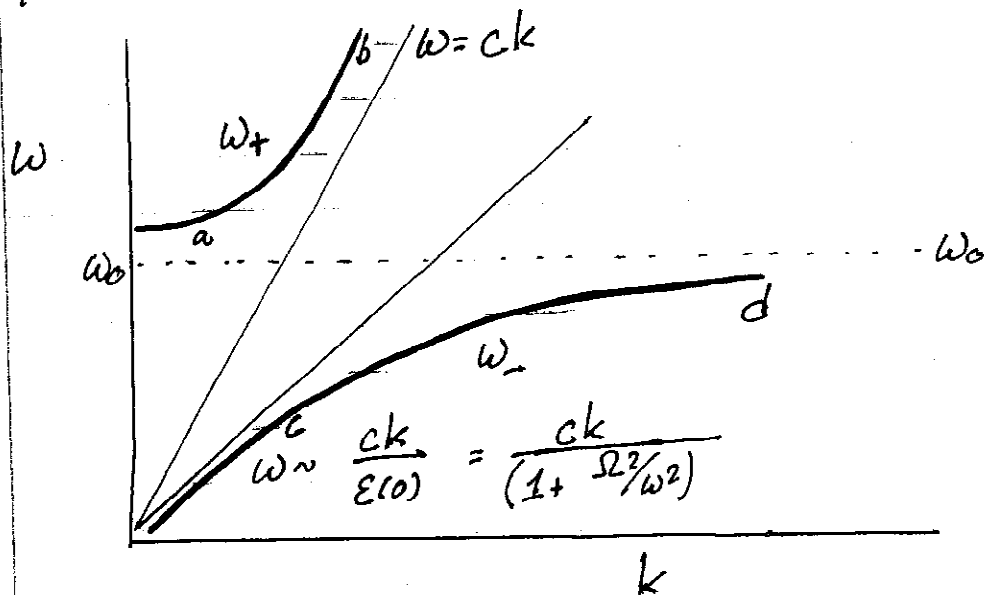
$$+ k^2 - \left(\frac{1+\chi}{c^2}\right) \omega^2 = 0$$

$$c^2 k^2 = \epsilon(\omega) \omega^2$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{\Omega^2}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}\right) \omega^2$$

away
from resonance

Exercise: Show



Properties

a) phase velocity $\rightarrow \infty$ grp vel \rightarrow small

b) $v_\phi \sim v_g \sim c$

c) $v_\phi \sim v_g \sim \frac{c}{\epsilon(\omega)}$

d) $v_\phi < c$ $v_g \sim 0$

Group velocity is always $\leq c$.

This is NOT a law of nature.

Signal-propagation velocity \Leftrightarrow grp velocity as $\omega \rightarrow \infty$
must be less than c .