

- Durasamplir II ATR calculations: Diamond/ZnSe optics and a sample with n=1.5
- Critical angle and penetration depths of evanescent waves...s, p and (s+p)/2
- Spectral characteristics of long path diamond ATR and library matching
- Difficultly of multicomponent mixtures with variable n and N



The wavelength of light at 1000 cm⁻¹ is 10 microns

Pathlength = N x d_e= 9 x 7.3 microns = 66 microns. A perfect thickness for FTIR



DurasampliR II - 9 bounce ATR Spectra

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Wavenumbers (cm-1)



Similarly, $< 650 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ is not useful.

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Depth of penetration

$$d_p = \frac{\lambda_1}{2\pi \sqrt{\sin^2 \theta - n_{21}^2}} \quad \text{where } \lambda_1 = \lambda/n_1 \text{ and } n_{21} = n_2/n_1$$

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{E}_0 \mathbf{e}^{\left(-\frac{\mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{d}_p}\right)}$$
$$\lambda_2 = \lambda_0 / n_2$$

Effective penetration, parallel polarization

$$d_{p} = \frac{\lambda}{n_{1}} \cdot \frac{n_{21} \cos(\theta) \left[2 \sin^{2}(\theta) - n_{21}^{2}\right]}{\pi \left(1 - n_{21}^{2}\right) \left[\left(1 + n_{21}^{2}\right) \sin^{2}(\theta) - n_{21}^{2}\right] \sqrt{\sin^{2}(\theta) - n_{21}^{2}}}$$

Effective penetration, perpendicular polarization

$$d_{s} = \frac{\lambda}{n_{1}} \cdot \frac{n_{21} \cos(\theta)}{\pi (1 - n_{21}^{2}) \sqrt{\sin^{2}(\theta) - n_{21}^{2}}}$$

Effective penetration

$$d_e = \frac{(d_{e\perp} + d_{e\parallel})}{2}$$



Effective Pathlength for Multi-Reflection ATR Crystals
Number of Reflections 9
Effective Depth (µ) 7.284
65.556 Pathlength (μ)
CALCULATE PATHLENGTH
Critical Angle
Material Diamond (2.4)
38.682 Critical Angle (°)

Durasamplik II - 9 bounce ATR pathlength estimate

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The number of bounces depends on the sample's refractive index and crystal angle.

The pathlength is convolved with the refractive index and poses an underdetermined system of equations requiring successive approximation.

With compositional changes the refractive index and pathlength change and the application of Beer's Law is problematic. Factor based methods, PCA, PLS, etc. chemometric methods are needed for real multicomponent quantitation and or low concentrations.

Thermo's Advanced ATR algorithm...what we know



$$\frac{d_{p}}{2\pi n_{1}\sqrt{\sin^{2} \theta - (n_{2}/n_{1})^{2}}} \qquad A = -\log\left(\frac{l}{l_{0}}\right) = \alpha lC$$
$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{E}_{0} \mathbf{e}^{\left(-\frac{\mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{d}_{p}}\right)}$$

Putting it all together you can numerically correct the spectra by back calculating alpha and E_0 as a function of wavelength with the calculated d_p .

 $\cos\theta$

 n_1

Constant

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{I}{I_0} &= e^{-\alpha \, \mathrm{d}_e} \qquad d_e = \frac{n_{21} E_0^2 d_p}{2 \cos \theta} \qquad A = -\log\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right) = \frac{(\log_{10} \mathrm{e})}{2} \frac{n_2}{n_1} \frac{E_0^2}{\cos \theta} \, \mathrm{d}_p \alpha \\ A &= -\log\frac{I}{I_0} = \frac{(\log_{10} \mathrm{e})}{2} \frac{n_2}{n_1} \frac{E_0^2}{\cos \theta} \, \mathrm{d}_p \alpha = .0.217 \frac{n_2}{n_1} \frac{E_0^2}{\cos \theta} \, \mathrm{d}_p \alpha = \frac{.0.217 E_0^2}{n_1} \times \left(\frac{n_2 \alpha}{\cos \theta}\right) \, \mathrm{d}_p \alpha \end{aligned}$$

Interdependent terms Makes multicomponent mixtures analytically intractable requiring factor analysis or successive approximation with known mixtures...not simple, see references.

$$A = \frac{n_2}{n_1} \frac{\alpha}{\cos \theta} \int_0^t E^2 \, \mathrm{d}z$$

 α = absorption coefficient per unit thickness and varies with composition.

 E_0 = electric field strength of evanescent wave at interface and is awavlength independent constant

 $\frac{n_2}{n_1}$ = the ratio of fast to slow indices of refraction

$$R = \frac{I_{Reflected}}{I_0} \equiv T = \frac{I_{Transmitted}}{I_0}$$

 $R \equiv T$, since all we are talking about the fraction of light hitting the detector, so $I_{\text{Reflected}} = I_{\text{Transmitted}}$, a definition of a light fraction not a statement of conservation of energy.

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