Quantitative measurement of EXTINCTION, SCATTERING and ABSORPTION by metallic nanoparticles

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ABSORPTION, SCATTERING: DIFFERENT INFORMATION



Lycurgus vase

Photocatalysis, 0

QUANTITATIVE VALIDATION OF EXT = ABS + SCA



- Testing what we think we know: quantitative comparison
- Surprisingly few work in this area
 Collings et al J. Phys. Chem. B 103, 1999 Micali et al Anal. Chem. 73, 2001 •
 Bin Ren et al Anal. Chem. 87, 2015

(COMMON) LINEAR OPTICAL SPECTROSCOPY

- UV-vis transmission (extinction)
- integrating sphere (absorption)
- dark field (scattering)
- photoacoustic (absorption)

bulk samples

bulk or single-particle

- spatial modulation (extinction) Del Fatti, Vallée
- interferometry (scattering) Sandoghdar
- interferometry (extinction, absorption) Berg, Oulton

INTEGRATING SPHERE ABSORPTION SPECTROSCOPY



INTEGRATING SPHERE ABSORPTION



Modified optical absorption of molecules on metallic nanoparticles at sub-monolayer coverage – Nat. Photon. 10, 40–45 (2016)

90 DEGREE SETUP





CORRECTIONS TO THE SCATTERING SIGNAL

- we only collect a finite solid angle Ω
- incident light modified by extinction
- scattered light modified by extinction



"Naive" model:

- geometrical scaling factor K (calibration with standard UV-vis)
- small (Rayleigh) scatterers constant scattering profile
- Beer-Lambert type correction $I(L) = I_0 \times 10^{-E(L_1+L_2)}$

PRELIMINARY (INCONSISTENT) RESULTS



CALIBRATION CURVE ACCOUNTING FOR EXTINCTION



Calibration function F(E) retrieved from silica nanoparticles (non-absorbing)

$$E = S = K \frac{I_{\text{scat}}}{I_{\text{ref}}} \frac{1}{F(E)}$$
$$F(E) = K \frac{I_{\text{scat}}}{I_{\text{ref}}} \frac{1}{E}$$

- 10^{-EL} approximation off for E > 0.3
- Polynomial fit works well for silica
- Insufficient for gold nanoparticles

SCHEMATIC VIEW OF THE COMPLICATIONS



factorised calibration function $F_1(S) \times F_2(A)$



RESULTS WITH $F_1(S) \times F_2(A)$ CORRECTION



NEXT STEPS



https://omlc.org/software/mc/mcxyz/



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