

Advanced Physical Chemistry

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A Spectroscopy

1. Interaction of matter and radiation
 - 1.1. Principles of spectroscopy
 - 1.2. Conservation laws (energy, rotational momentum, spin)
 - 1.3. Selection rules (transition dipole moment, symmetry)
 - 1.4. Special transition types (stimulated emission, two-photon processes, magnetic transitions)
 - 1.5. Line widths (Doppler and collision broadening)
2. Rotation and vibration spectroscopy
 - 2.1. Rotation spectra
 - 2.2. Vibration spectra (anharmonicity, polyatomic molecules)
 - 2.3. Combined rotation-vibration spectroscopy (IR, Raman, NIR)
3. Electronic transitions
 - 3.1. Electronic transition spectroscopy of atoms
 - 3.2. Electronic transition spectroscopy of molecules (Franck–Condon principle, UV absorption, fluorescence, phosphorescence)
 - 3.3. Laser
4. NMR spectroscopy and related techniques
 - 4.1. Principles: spins in a magnetic field (Larmor frequency)
 - 4.2. Continuous vs. relaxation measurement, relaxation pathways
 - 4.3. Chemical shift (screening), spin–spin coupling

B Statistical Thermodynamics

1. Theory of probability
 - 1.1. Probability distributions (binomial, Poisson, Gauss)
 - 1.2. Means and standard deviations
 - 1.3. Autocorrelation functions
2. Principles of statistical thermodynamics
 - 2.1. Concepts and axioms
 - 2.2. Isolated systems, microcanonical ensemble

- 2.3. Entropy
 - 2.4. Isothermal systems, canonical ensemble (partition function, Boltzmann statistics)
 - 2.5. Indistinguishable particles, quantum statistics (Fermi–Dirac, Bose–Einstein)
 - 2.6. Open systems, grand canonical ensemble
 - 2.7. Fluctuations
3. Applications
- 3.1. Monoatomic ideal gas (translational partition function)
 - 3.2. Polyatomic ideal gas (rotational, vibrational, electronic partition function)
 - 3.3. Relevance for spectroscopy
 - 3.4. Real gas (pair distribution function, virial equation)
 - 3.5. Electron gas
 - 3.6. Equilibrium constants of chemical reactions
 - 3.7. Monoatomic crystals (models of Einstein and Debye)
 - 3.8. Lattice models (adsorption isotherms: Langmuir and BET models, phase transitions: Bragg–Williams and Ising models)
 - 3.9. Polymer solutions (Flory–Huggins model)
4. Electrical properties of matter
- 4.1. Matter in an electric field (electric polarization, dielectric constant)
 - 4.2. Orientation of dipoles (Langevin)
 - 4.3. Relaxation phenomena
5. Thermodynamics of irreversible processes
- 5.1. Concepts: fluxes and forces
 - 5.2. Coupled fluxes, entropy production
 - 5.3. Onsager’s reciprocity relations

Recommended literature:

1. P. W. Atkins, J. de Paula, and J. Keeler *Physical Chemistry*, 11th ed., Oxford University Press, Oxford 2018.
in addition: J. Bolgar and H. Lloyd, *Students’ Solution Manual to Accompany Atkins’ Physical Chemistry*, 11th ed., Oxford University Press, Oxford 2018.
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in addition: Ch. A. Trapp, M. P. Cady, and C. Giunta, *Arbeitsbuch Physikalische Chemie*, 5. Aufl., Wiley-VCH, Weinheim 2013.
3. G. Wedler and H.-J. Freund, *Lehrbuch der Physikalischen Chemie*, 6. Aufl., Wiley-VCH, Weinheim 2012.
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4. W. Göpel and H.-D. Wiemhöfer, *Statistische Thermodynamik*, Spectrum-Verlag, Berlin 2000.
5. G. H. Findenegg and T. Hellweg, *Statistische Thermodynamik*, 2. Aufl., Springer, Berlin 2015.
6. T. L. Hill, *Statistical Thermodynamics*, Addison-Wesley, Reading 1960 [ancient, but still good].