

# Diagnostic techniques for cultural heritage: applications of synchrotron infrared spectroscopy to the study of a painting cross sections



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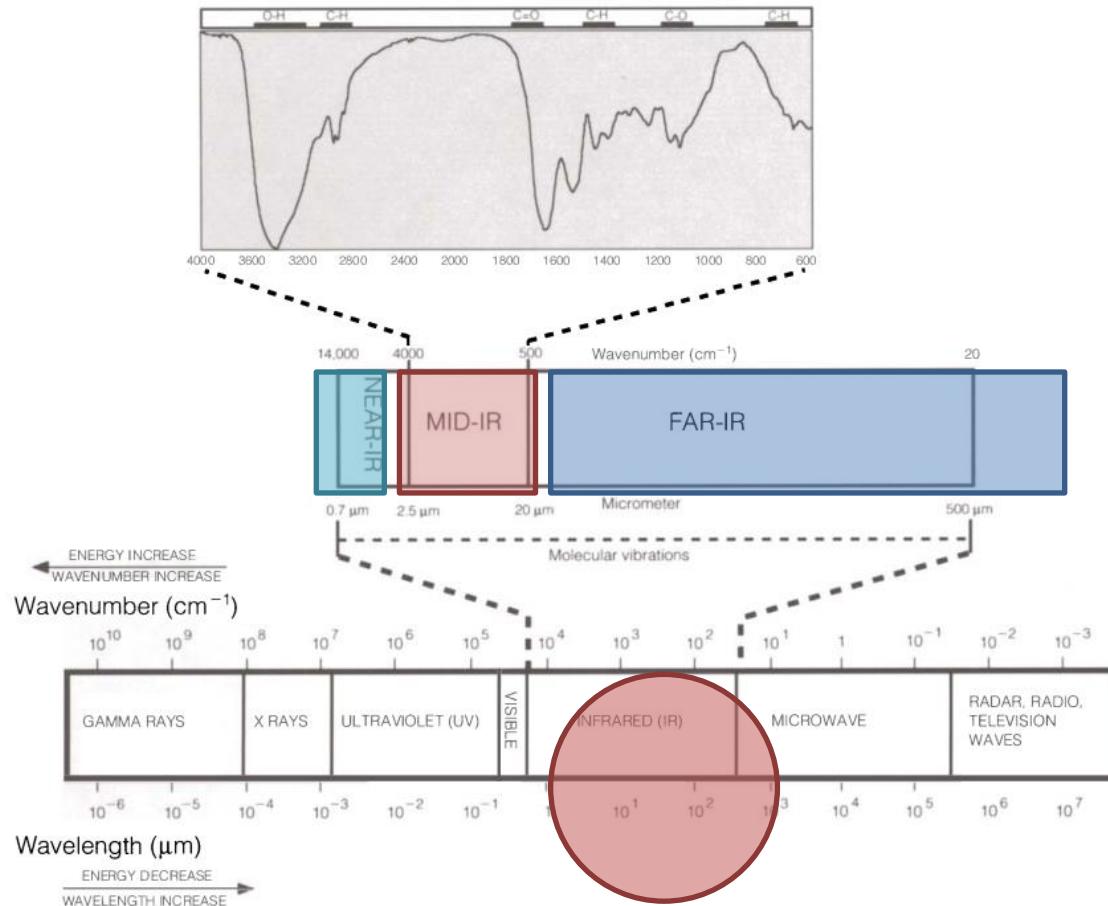
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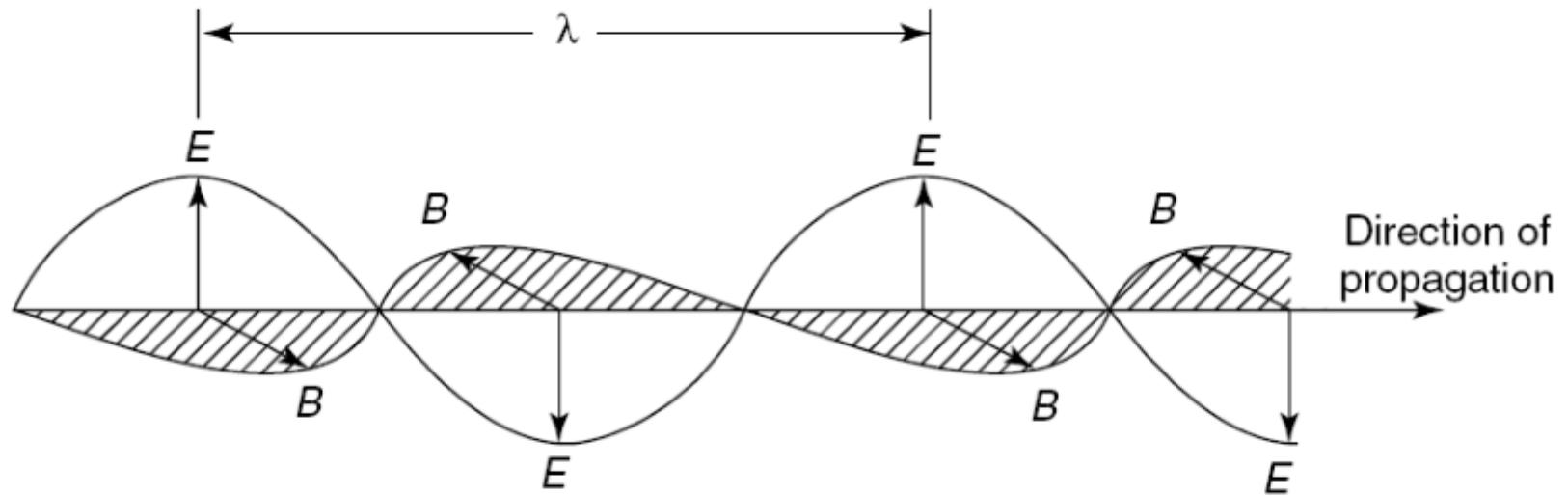
- FT-IR spectroscopy in cultural heritage
- Sampling techniques: transmission, reflection, Attenuated total reflection (ATR) and Diffuse reflection (DRIFT)
- Infrared imaging and microscopy:generating chemical images from a sample
- FT-IR Analysis of a painting cross section

# FOURIER TRANSFORM INFRARED SPECTROSCOPY (FT-IR): physical principles

# Electromagnetic spectrum and IR



# The EM field

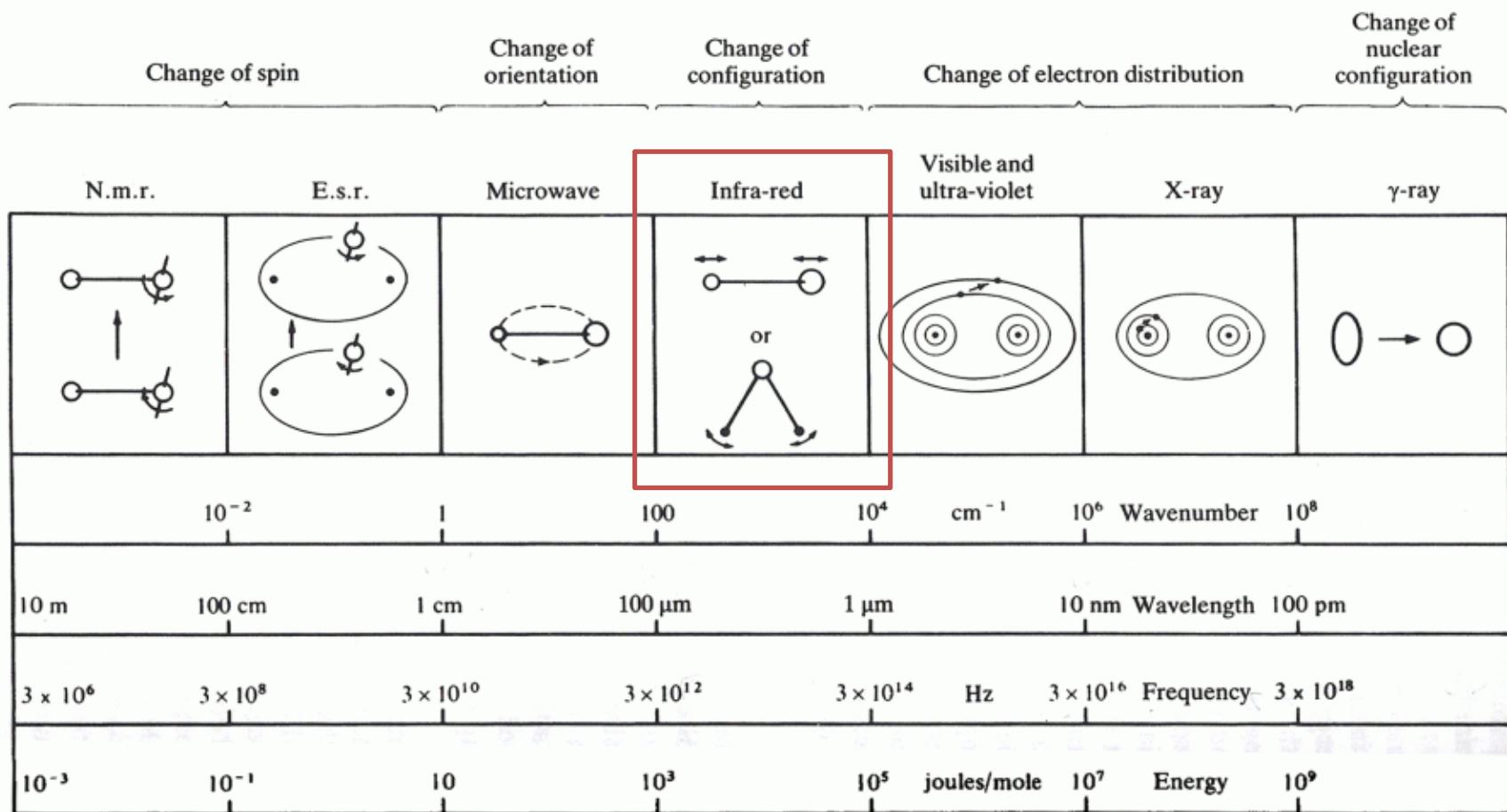


# IR Units

- Visible and IR light are both EM radiation, differing only for the wavelength. They both propagate in vacuum at the light speed  $c$ .
  - Wavelength  $\lambda$  ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
  - Frequency  $\nu$  (Hz:  $\nu=c/\lambda$ )
  - Energy E (eV:  $E=h\nu$ )
  - Wavenumber  $\tilde{\nu}$  ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )

$$\tilde{\nu} (\text{cm}^{-1}) = 1/\lambda (\text{cm})$$

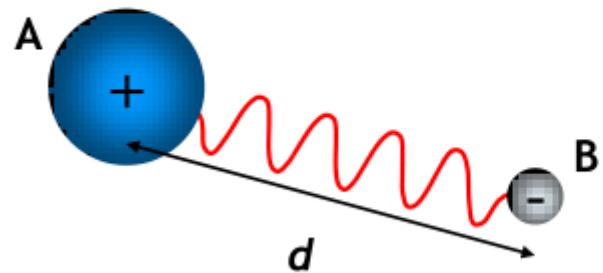
# What happens when «light» interacts with matter



$$E_{\text{total}} = E_{\text{translational}} + E_{\text{rotational}} + E_{\text{vibrational}}$$

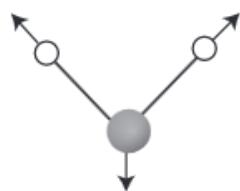
# Every molecule interacts with the IR EM field?

- There is an interaction if there is a variation of the electric dipole moment:

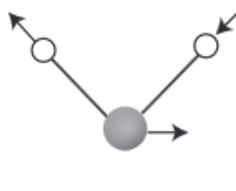


$$\mu = |\delta e| \cdot d$$

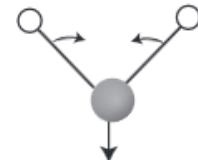
# IR active modes



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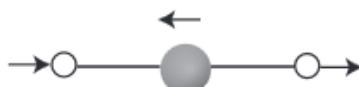


asymmetrical stretching

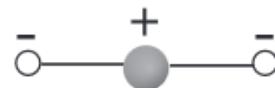


scissoring (bending)

Figure : Stretching and bending vibrational modes for  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$



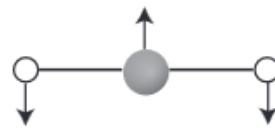
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scissoring (bending in and out  
of the plane of the paper)



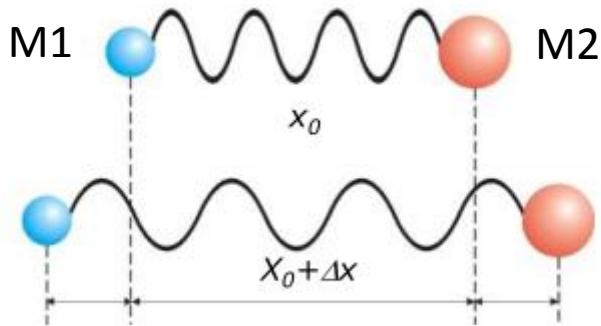
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scissoring (bending in the plane of the paper)

Figure : Stretching and bending vibrational modes for  $\text{CO}_2$

- $\text{O}_2, \text{H}_2, \text{Cl}_2, \text{N}_2$  are not IR active!



$$\nu = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \text{ vibration frequency}$$

$$m = \frac{M_1 \cdot M_2}{M_1 + M_2} \text{ (reduced mass)}$$

Increasing  $k$  (bond strength) the frequency increases  
 Decreasing  $m$ , the frequency increases.

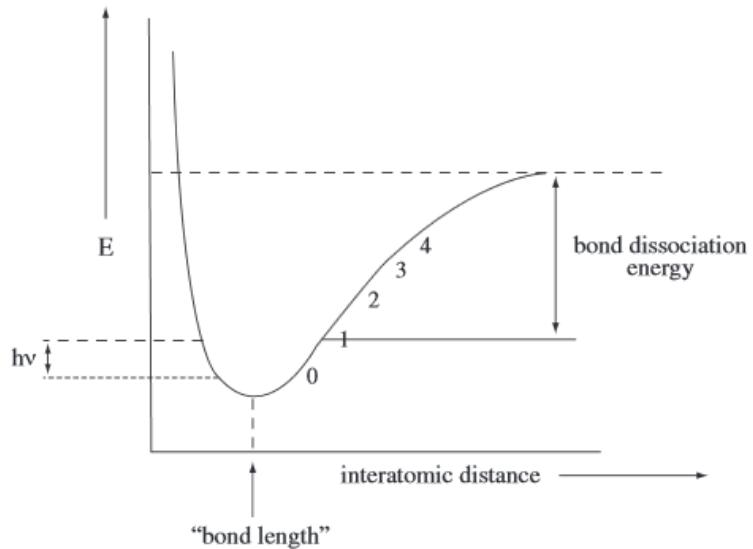
C-C, C-O, C-N → 800-1300 cm<sup>-1</sup>

C=C, C=O, C=N → 1700 – 1900 cm<sup>-1</sup>

C≡C, C ≡ O, C ≡ N → 2000-2300 cm<sup>-1</sup>

C-H, N-H, O-H → 2700-3800 cm<sup>-1</sup>

# Modi normali di vibrazione



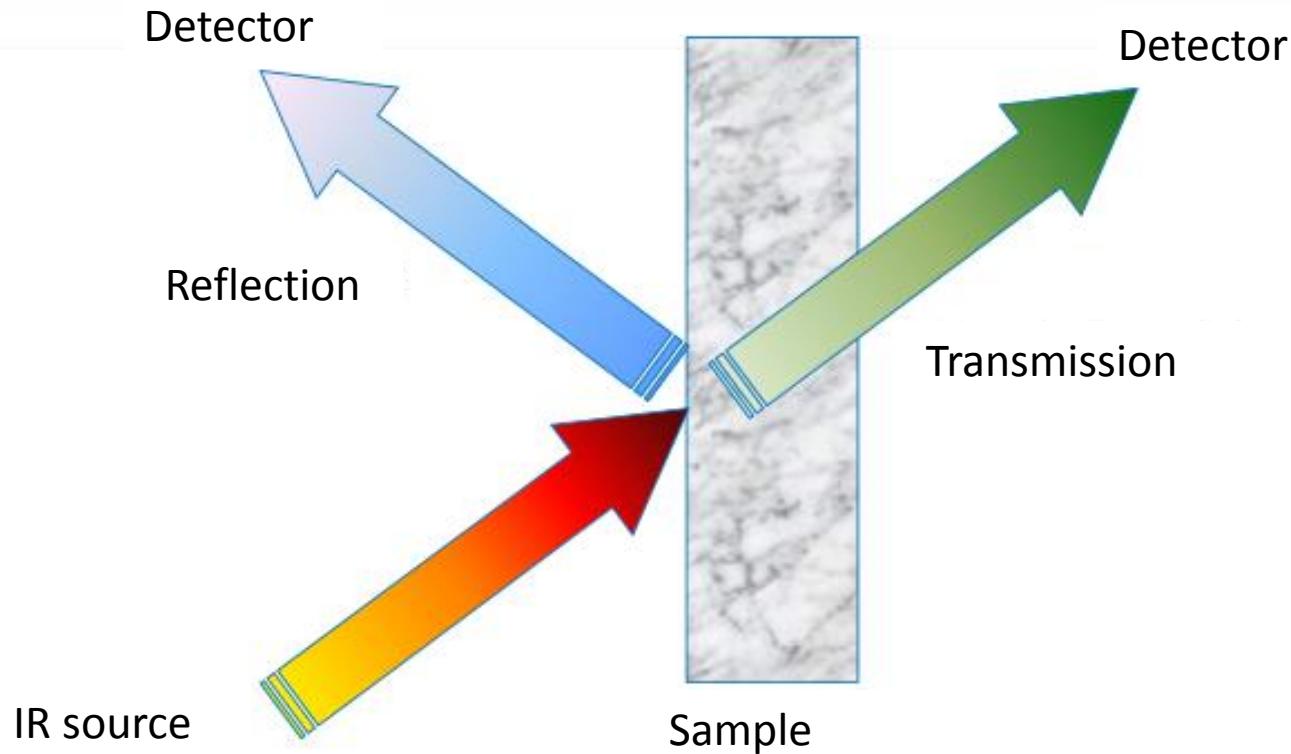
$$E = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) h\nu$$

(quantized energy levels)

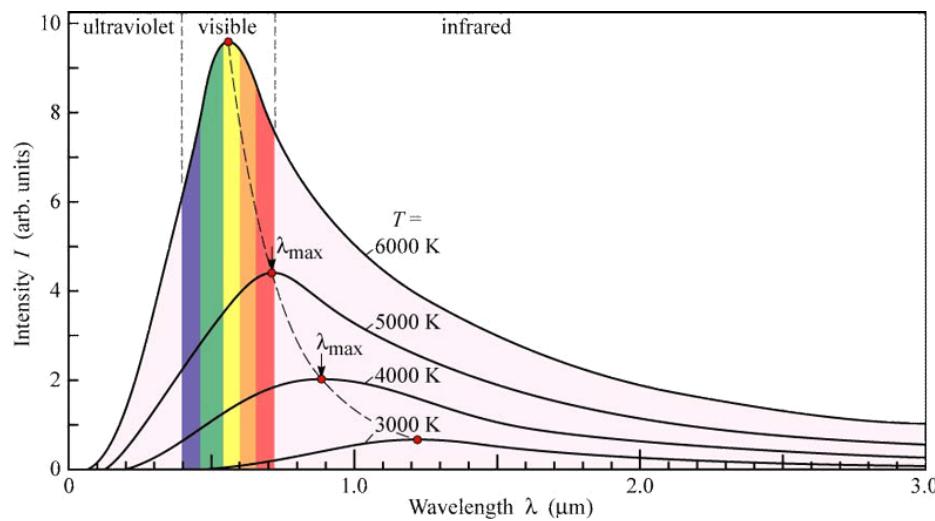
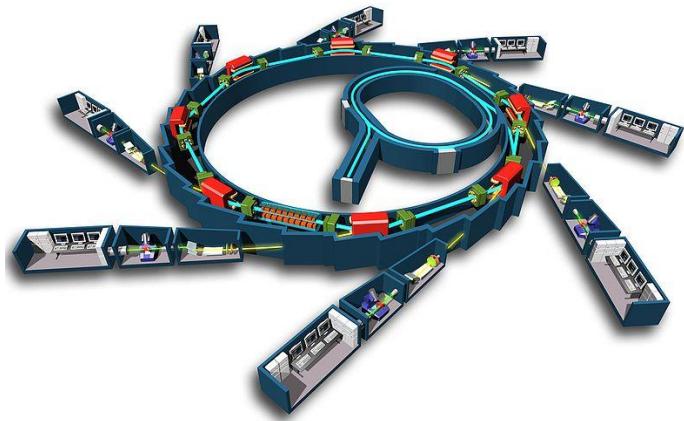
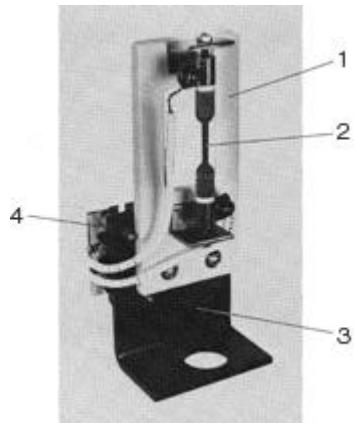
Figure 15.8 : Energy curve for an anharmonic oscillator (showing the vibrational levels for a vibrating bond).

- $3N-6$  (non linear molecule)
- $3N - 5$  (linear molecule)

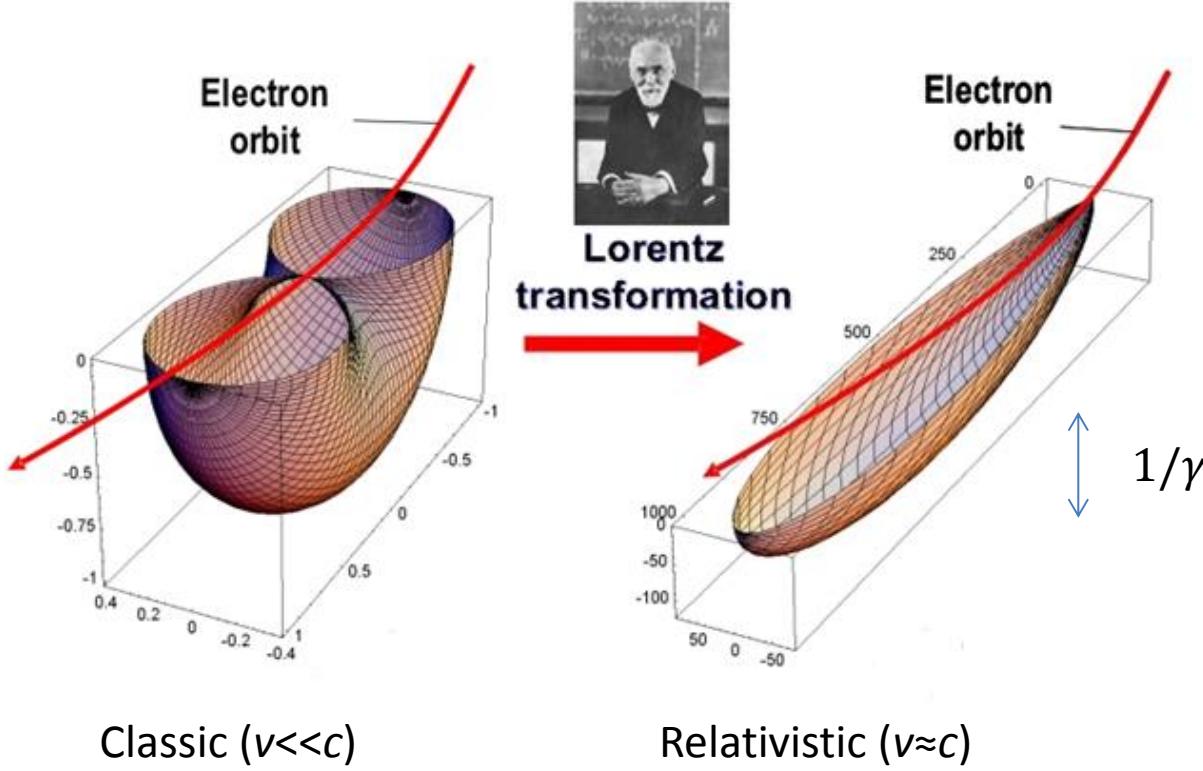
# Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy (FT-IR)



# IR sources



# Synchrotron radiation

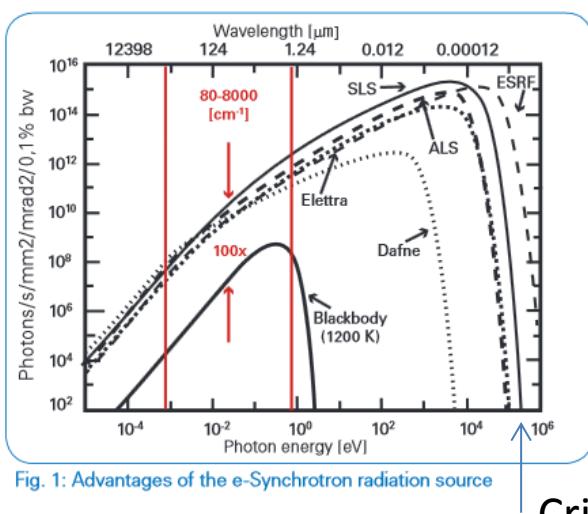


Every moving electric charge emits EM radiation.

$$\beta = v/c$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}$$

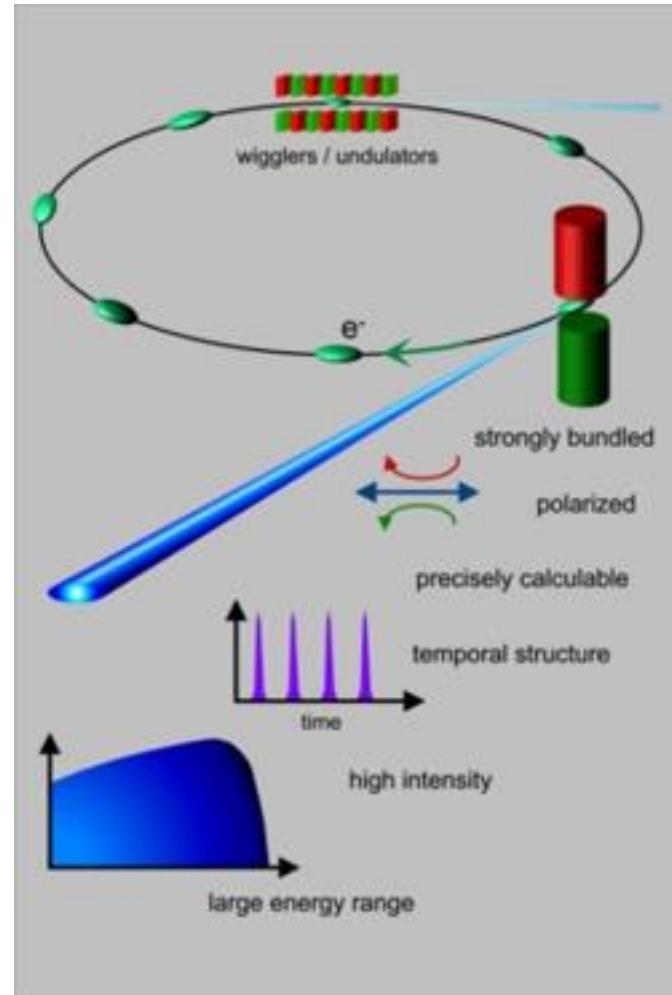
Per  $\beta=0.99$   $1/\gamma= 10$  mrad



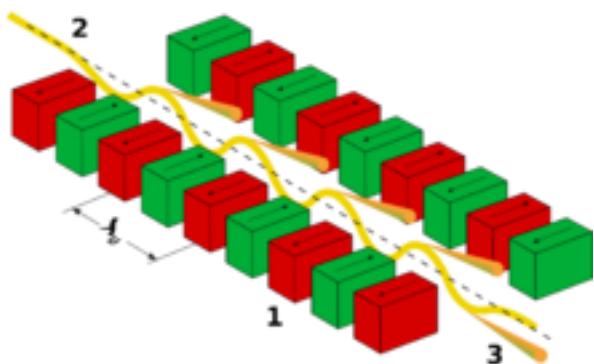
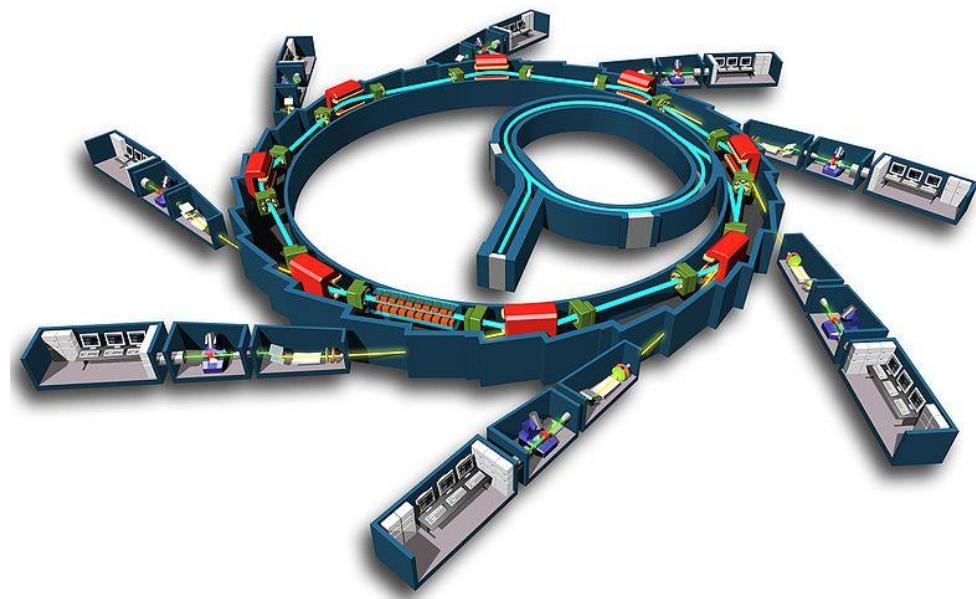
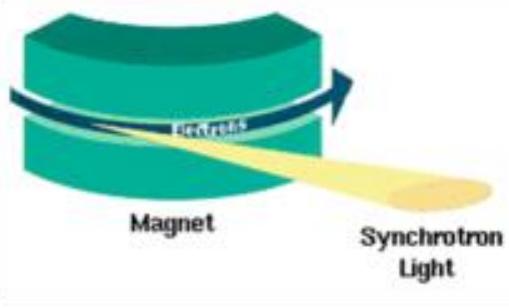
$$\text{brilliance} = \frac{\text{photons}}{\text{second} \cdot \text{mrad}^2 \cdot \text{mm}^2 \cdot 0.1\% \text{BW}}$$

Fig. 1: Advantages of the e-Synchrotron radiation source

Critical energy



# The beamlines

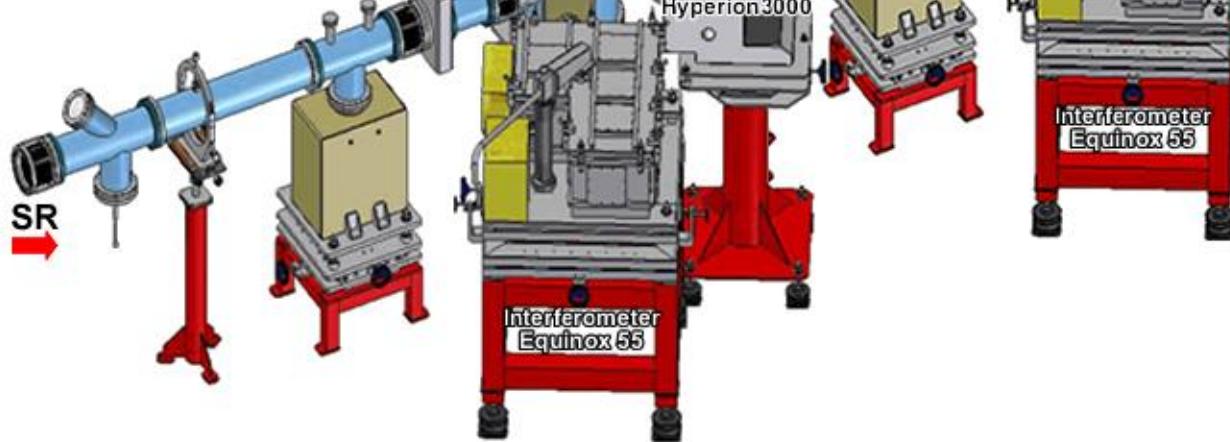
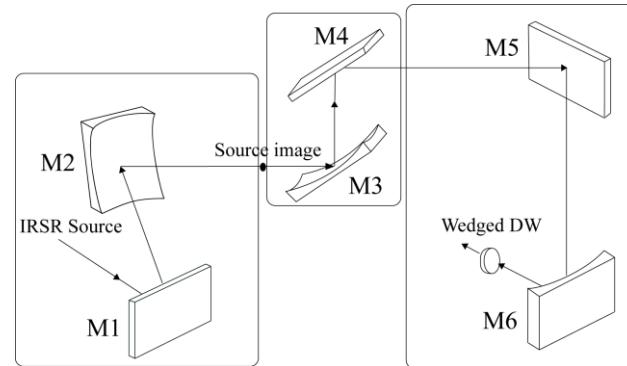
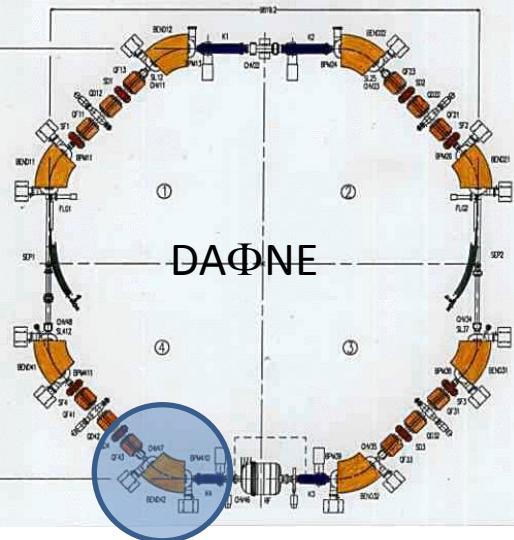


# The IR SINBAD beamline

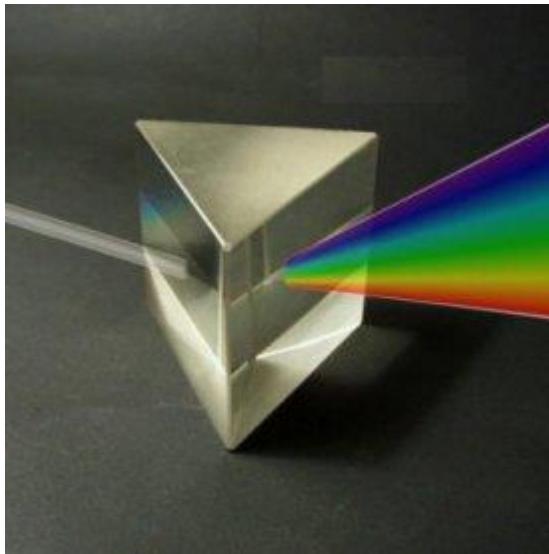
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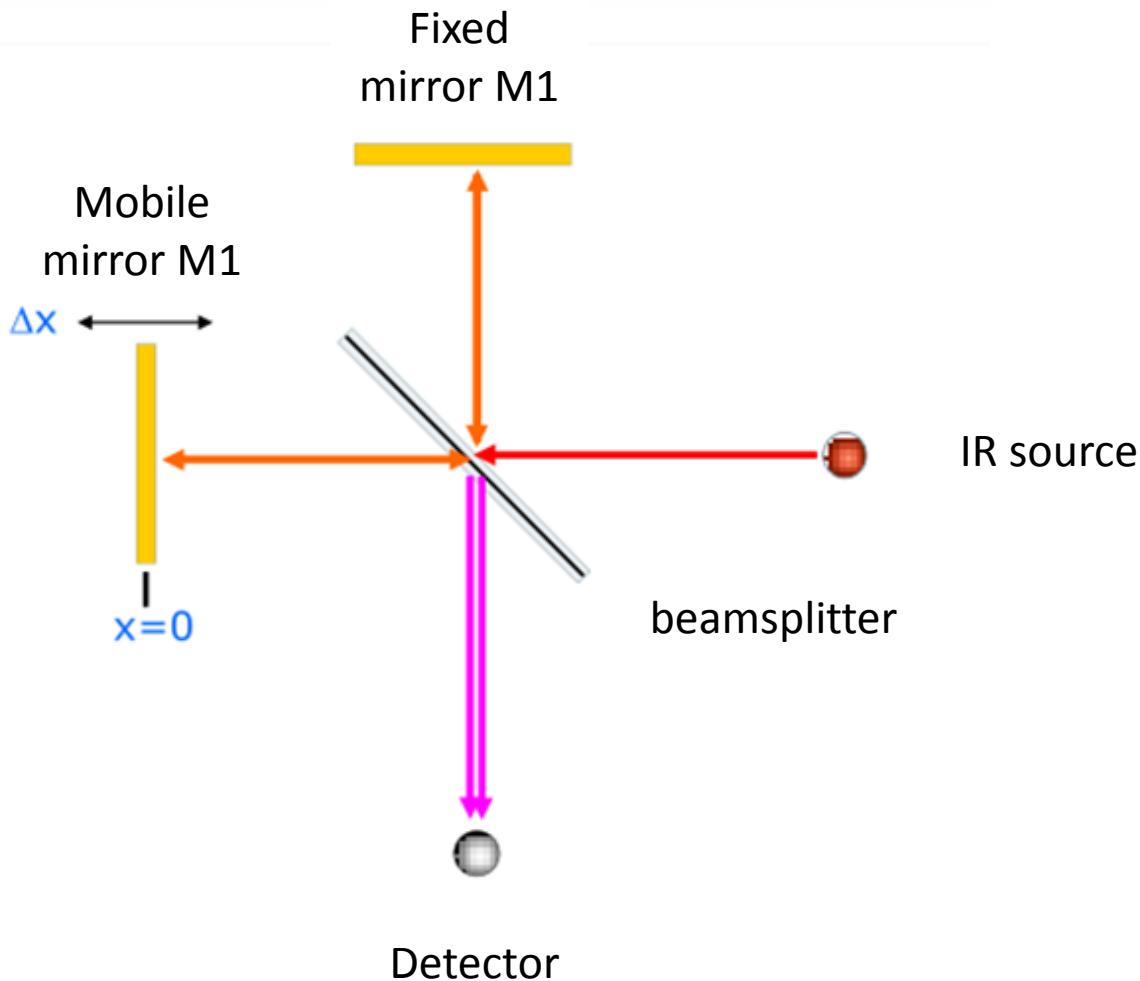
from 10 to  $10^3$  cm $^{-1}$

1.24meV to 1.24 eV

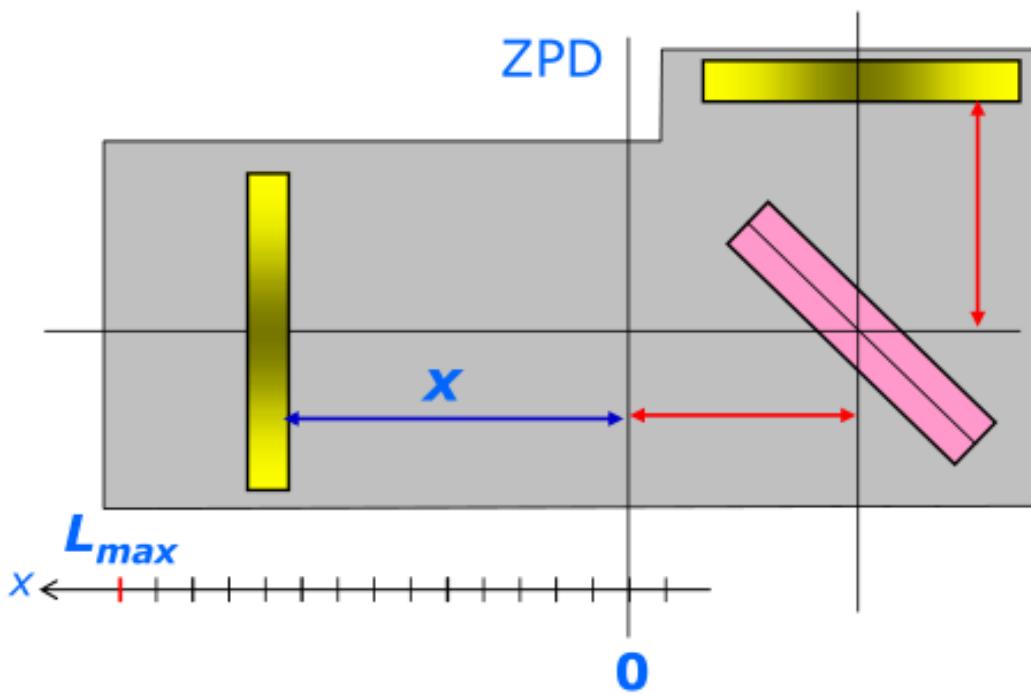


# Michelson interferometer



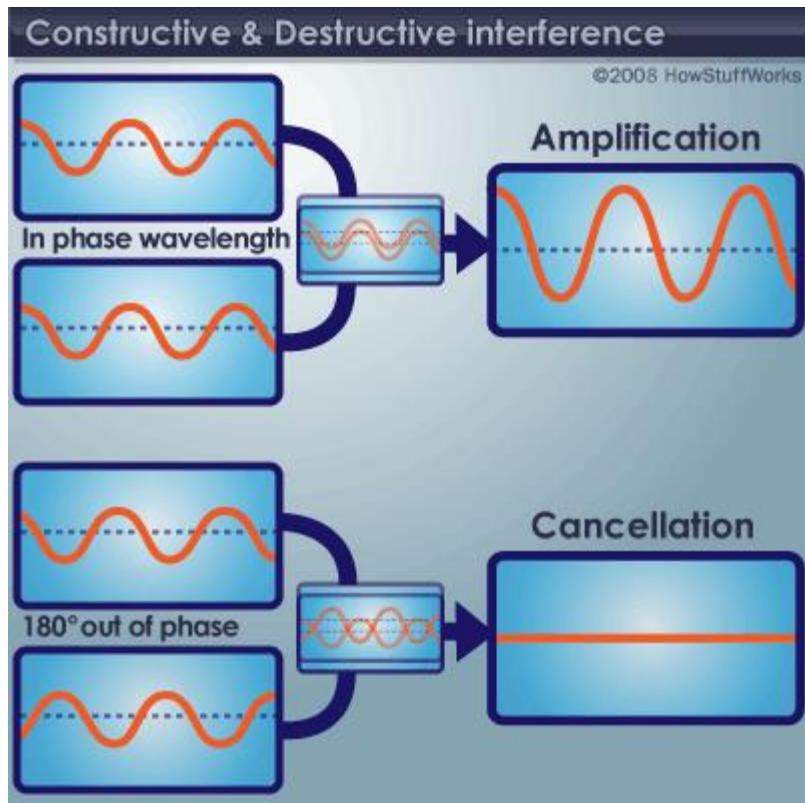


The interferogram depends on the optical path difference (OPD) between the two beams



The OPD is twice the mirror excursion  $x$ . Since the mirror speed  $v$  is constant:

$$2x = 2vt$$



$$\text{OPD} = 2n \frac{\lambda}{2} \quad (n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots)$$

$$\text{OPD} = (2n+1) \frac{\lambda}{2} \quad (n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots)$$

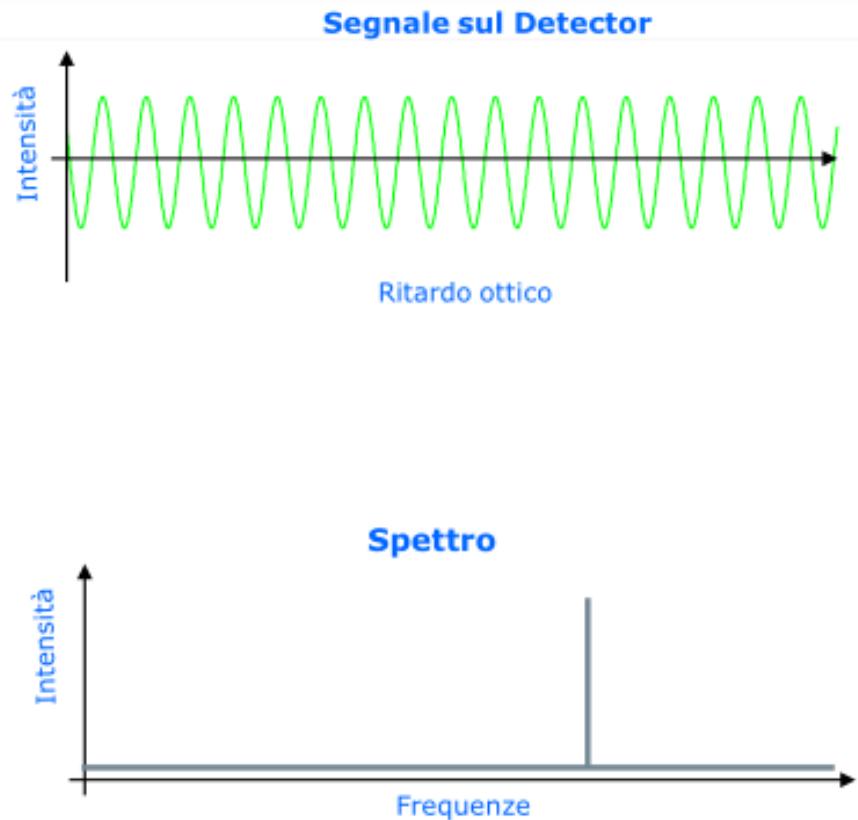


$$I(t) = S(\tilde{\nu}) \cdot \cos(2\pi 2\tilde{\nu} u t)$$

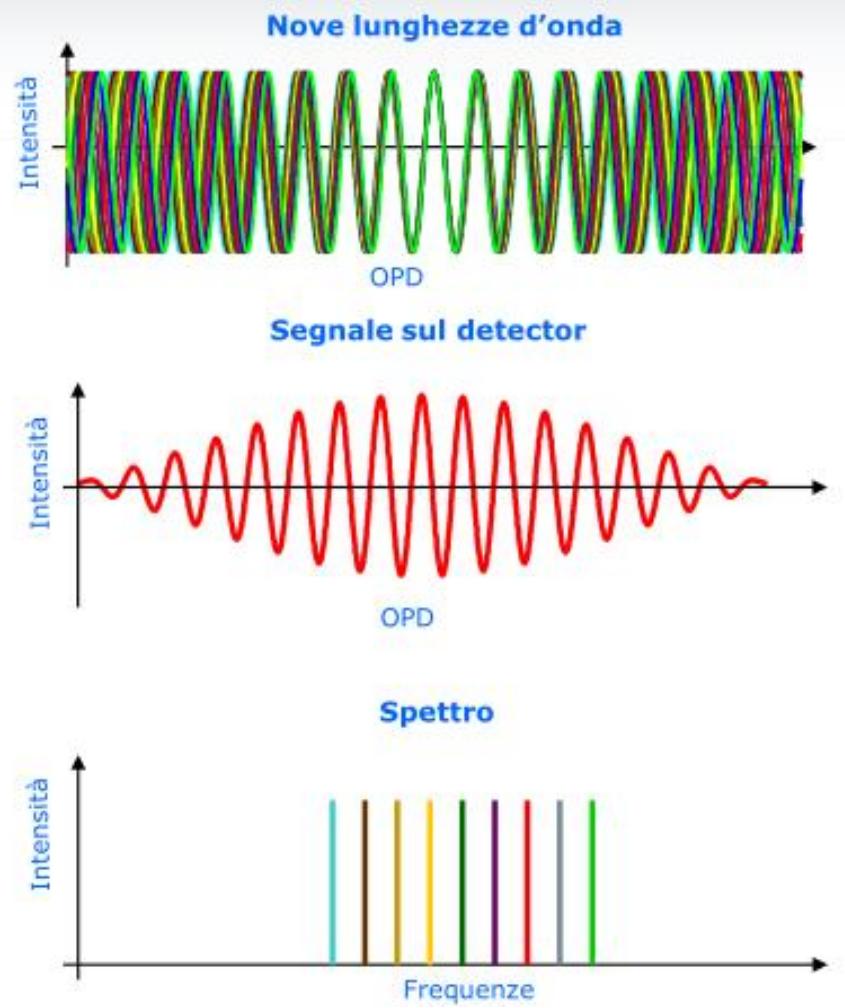
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Modulation frequency

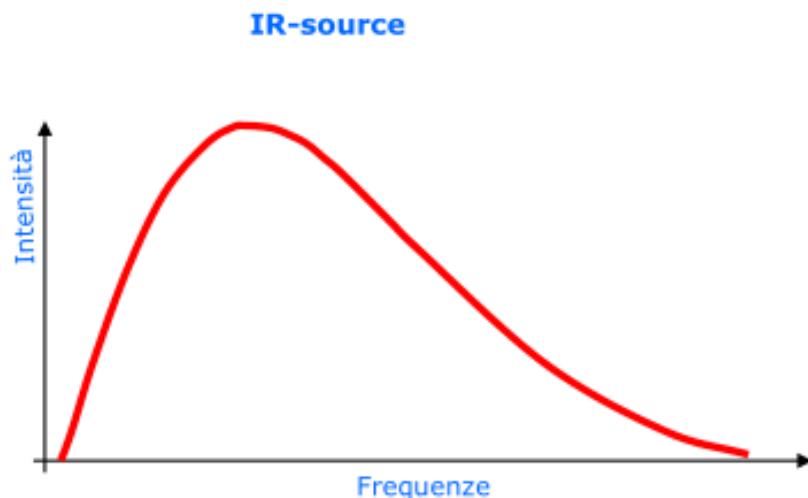
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l'onda monocromatica



- Origine dell'interferogramma:  
onda policromatica a componenti discrete



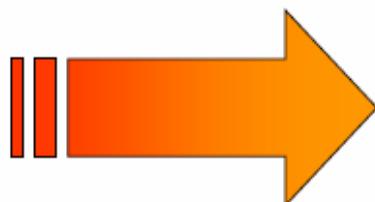
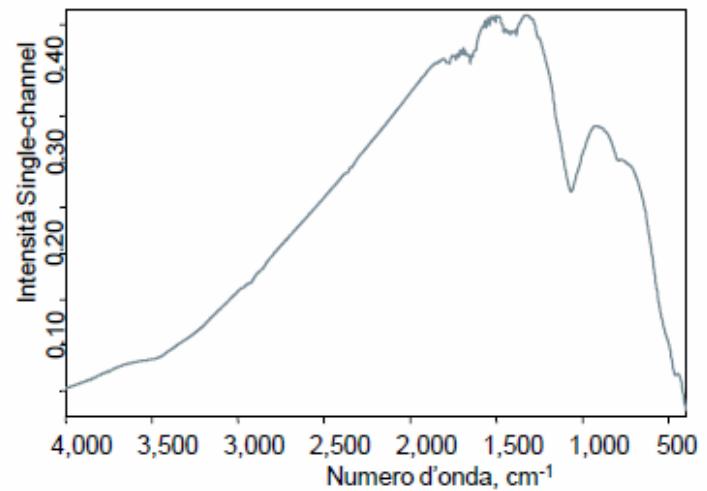
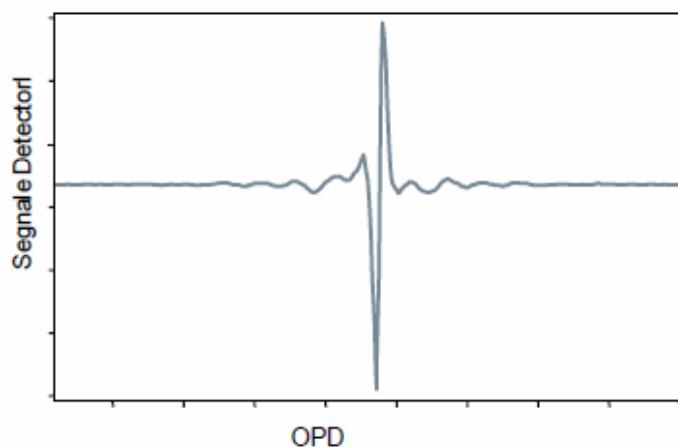
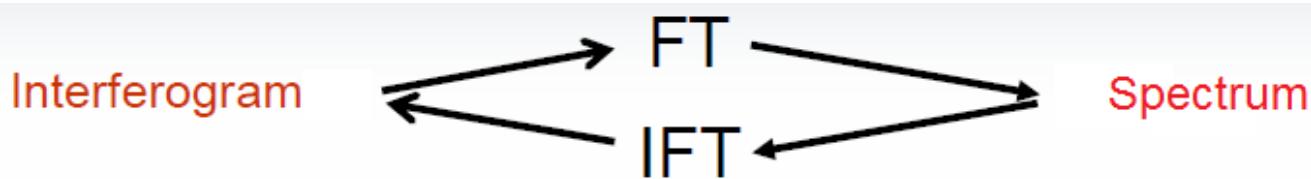
- Origine dell'interferogramma:  
sorgenti a spettro esteso



Distribuzione di frequenze di una  
sorgente di corpo nero

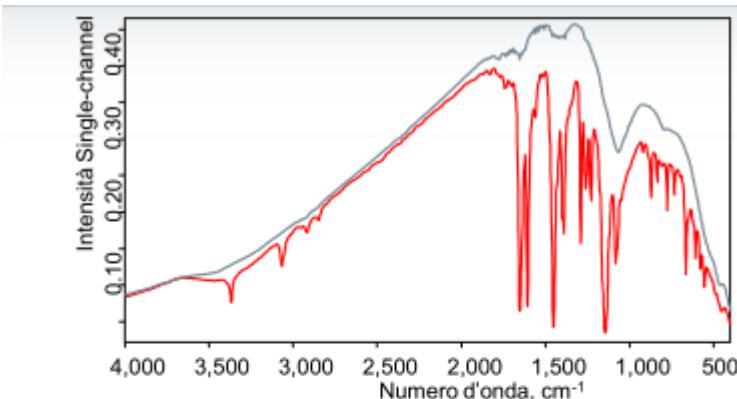


OPD

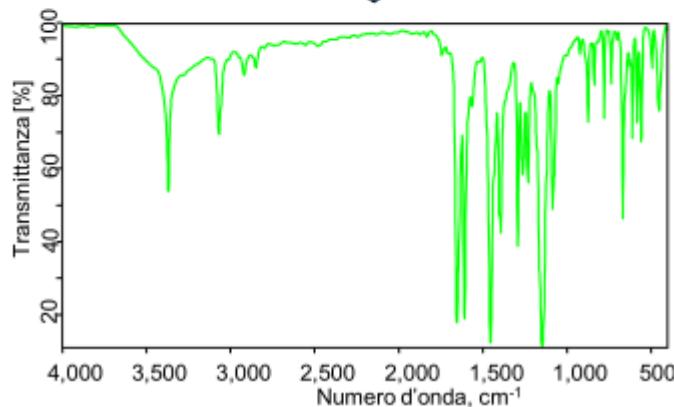


$$S(\nu) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I(x) e^{i 2 \pi \nu x} dx$$

# Measuring an IR spectrum

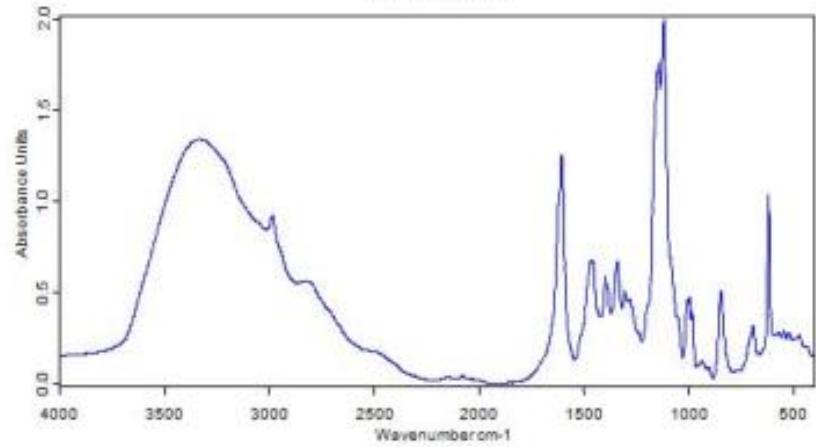
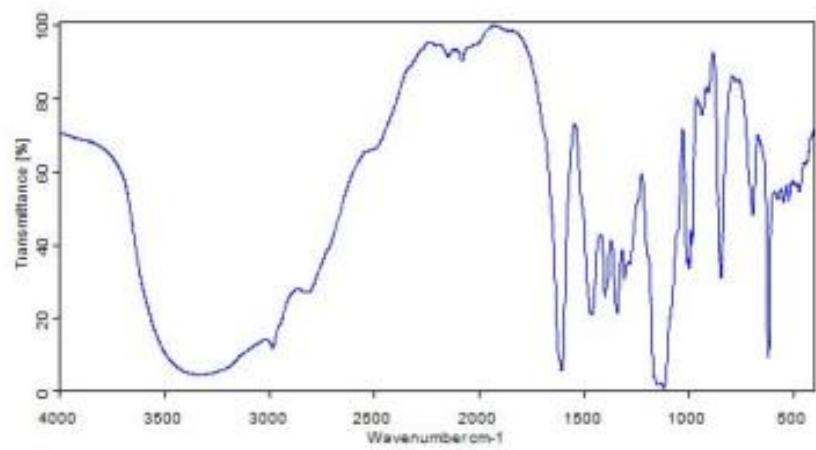


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$$T(\nu) = \text{SSC}/\text{RSC}$$

TRANSMITTANCE



$$A = -\log T$$

ABSORBANCE

# Sampling techniques

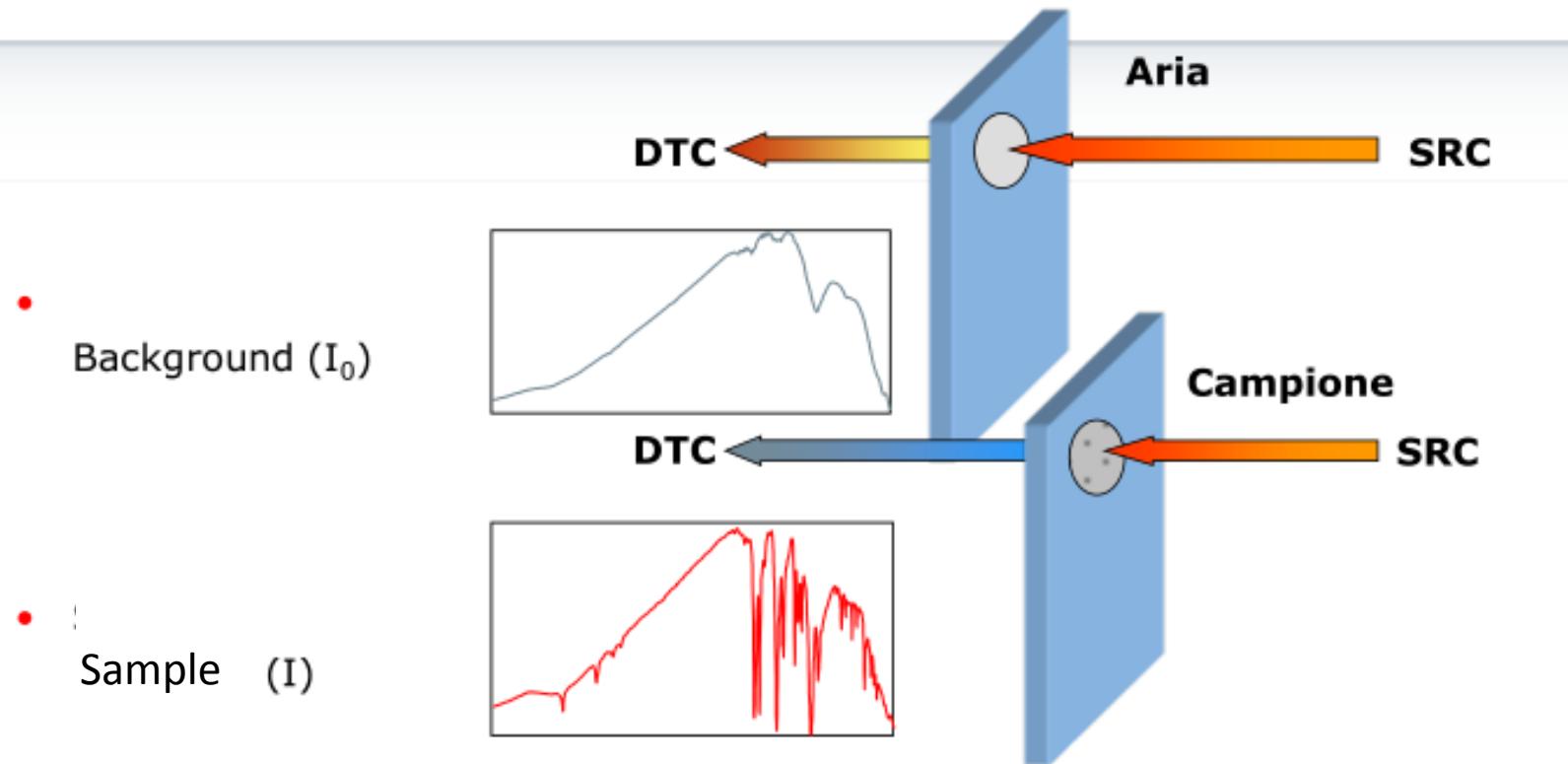
- Depending on the sample form (solid, liquid, powder, film) and which characteristics you want to maintain, it is possible to use different sampling techniques, **distructive** or **non distructive**:
- Transmission (liquids, powders, thin sections)
- Specular reflection (crystals, polished sections)
- Diffuse reflectance (powders)
- Attenuated Total Reflection (ATR) (thick samples, non reflecting surfaces)

# Transmission KBr powder pellets



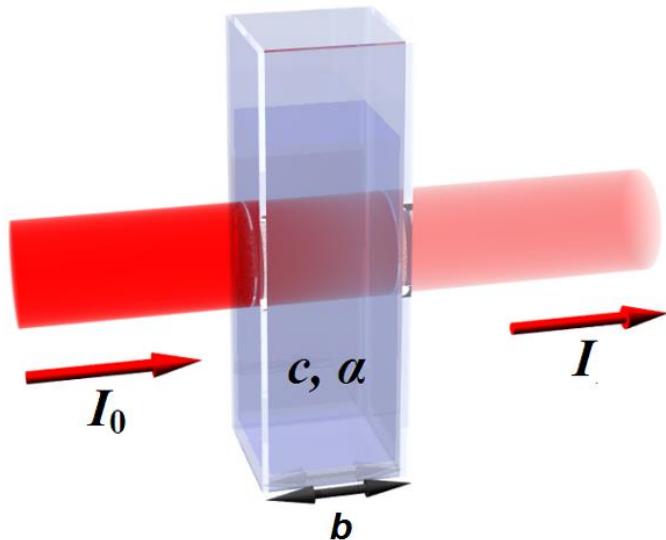
- Invasiva 
- Distruttiva 
- Laboriosa 
- Molto precisa (misura assoluta)
- Creazione di spettri di riferimento



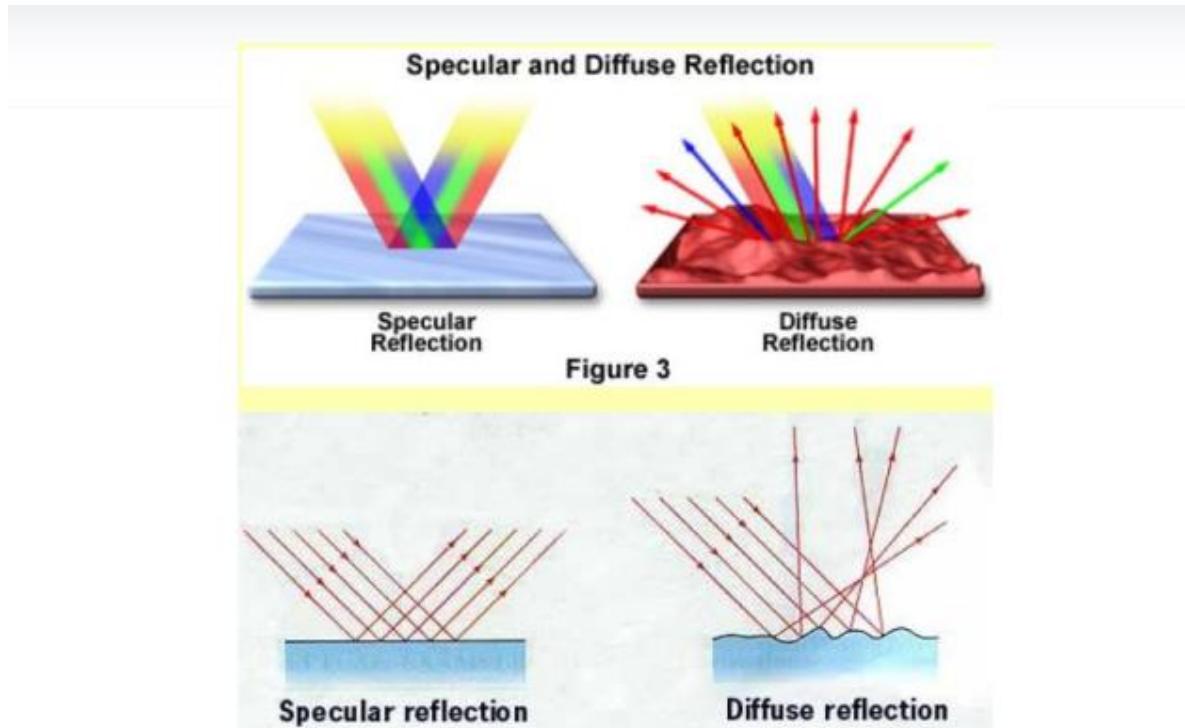


$$T = \frac{I}{I_0} \quad A = \log \frac{1}{T} = -\log T$$

## Beer-Lambert law

$$A = \alpha b C$$


# Reflection spectroscopy

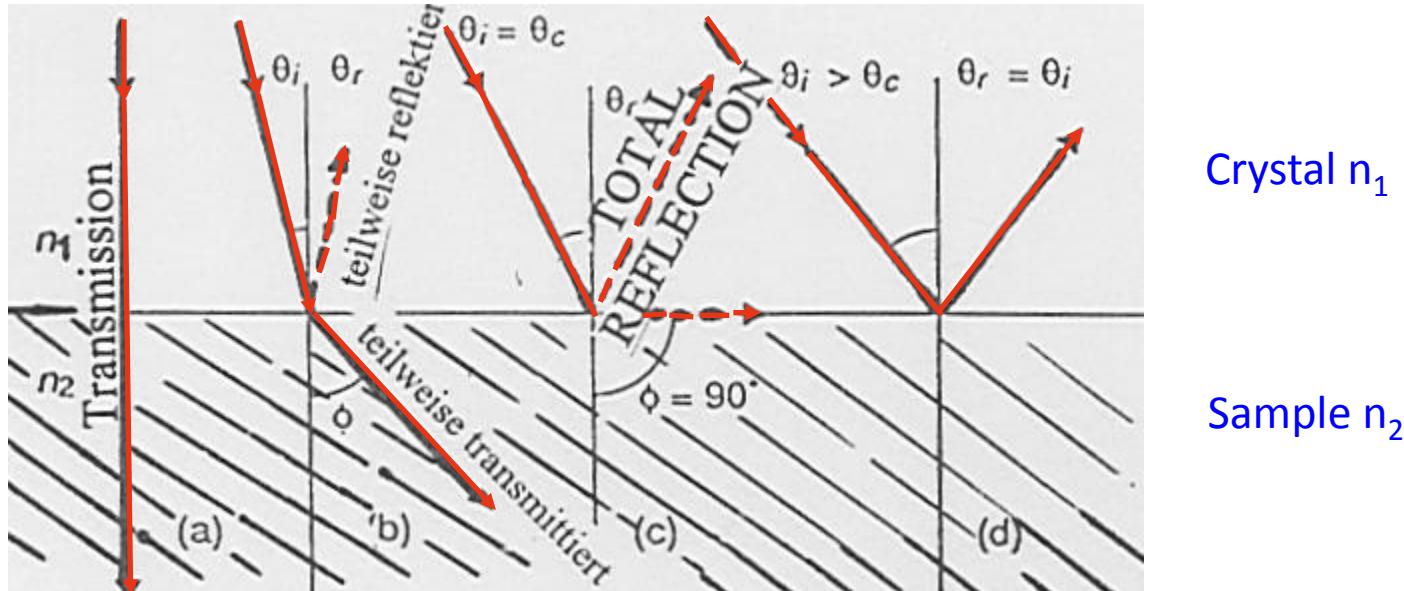


Preparation of the surface – polishing 😞  
Thick samples 😊

# Attenuated Total Reflection (ATR)



# Principles of Attenuated Total Reflection spectroscopy (ATR)

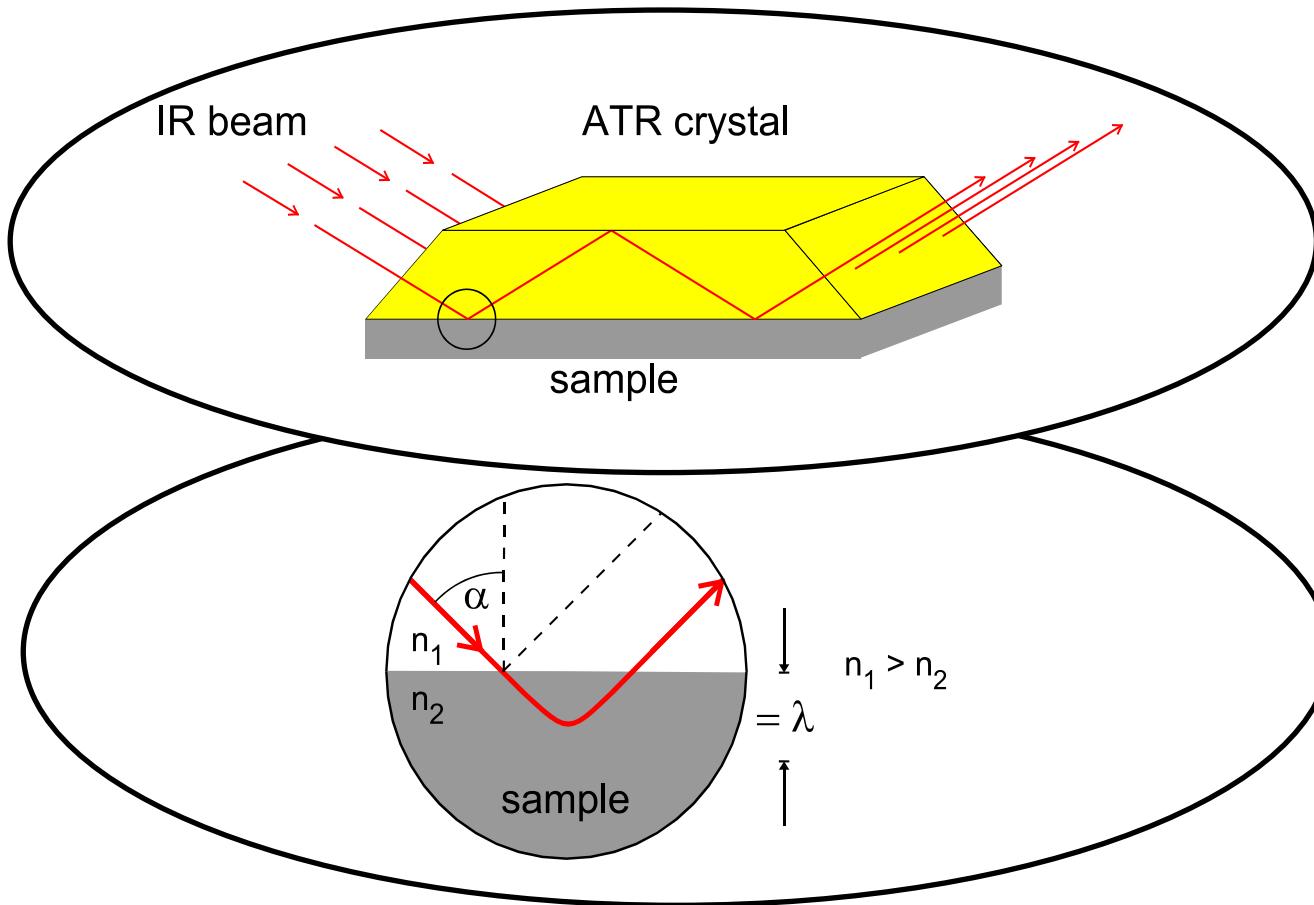


Snell's law:  $n_1 \times \sin\Theta_i = n_2 \times \sin\Theta_r$

Critical angle:  $\Theta_r = 90^\circ$

$$\sin\Theta_c = n_2 / n_1$$

(es. 38° for ZnSe for a sample with n=1.5)

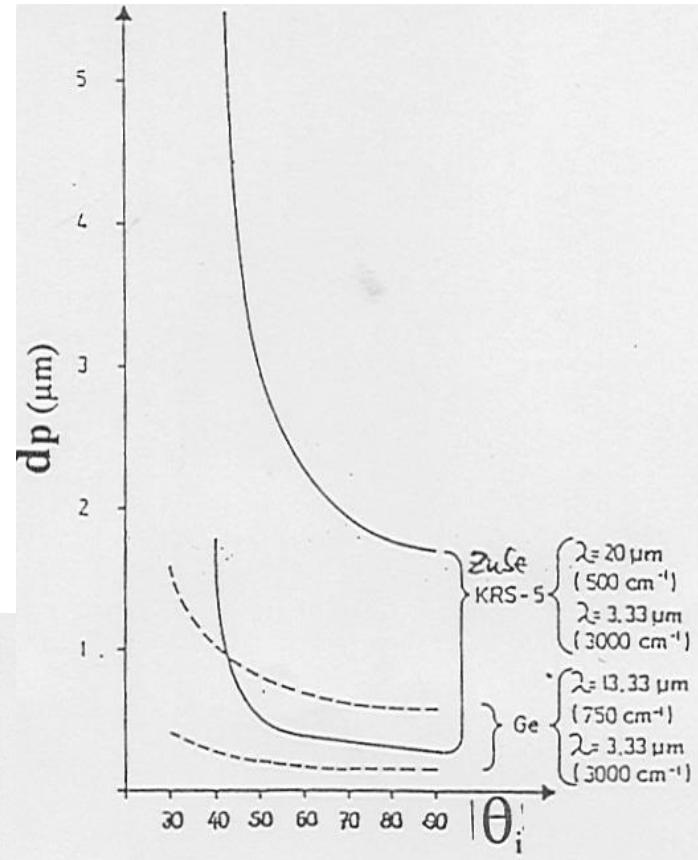


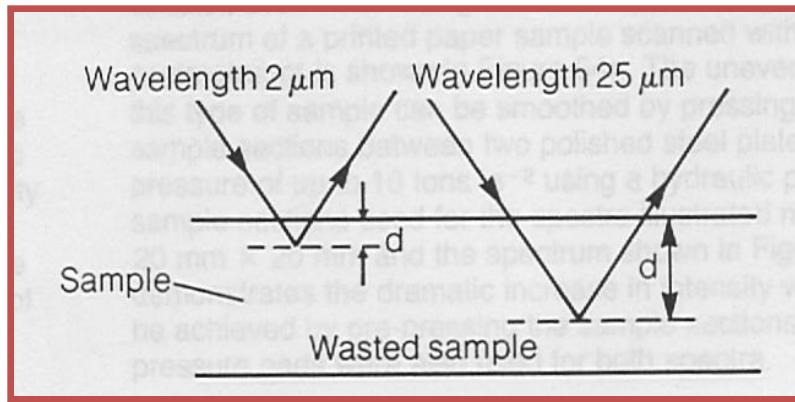
# Penetration depth

$$d_p = \frac{\lambda}{2 \pi n_1 (\sin^2 \theta_i - n_{21}^2)^{1/2}}$$

$\theta_i$	$30^\circ$	$45^\circ$	$60^\circ$
KRS-5	$i\lambda$	$0.290\lambda$	$0.113\lambda$
Ge	$0.091\lambda$	$0.041\lambda$	$0.002\lambda$

(i = total transmission, sample index = 1.5)

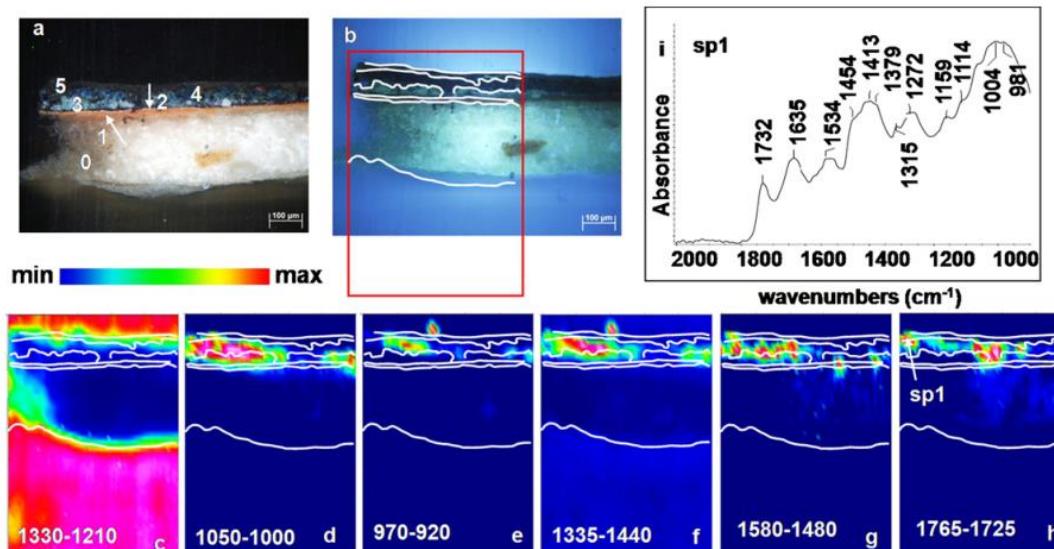




$$d_P \text{ prop } \lambda$$

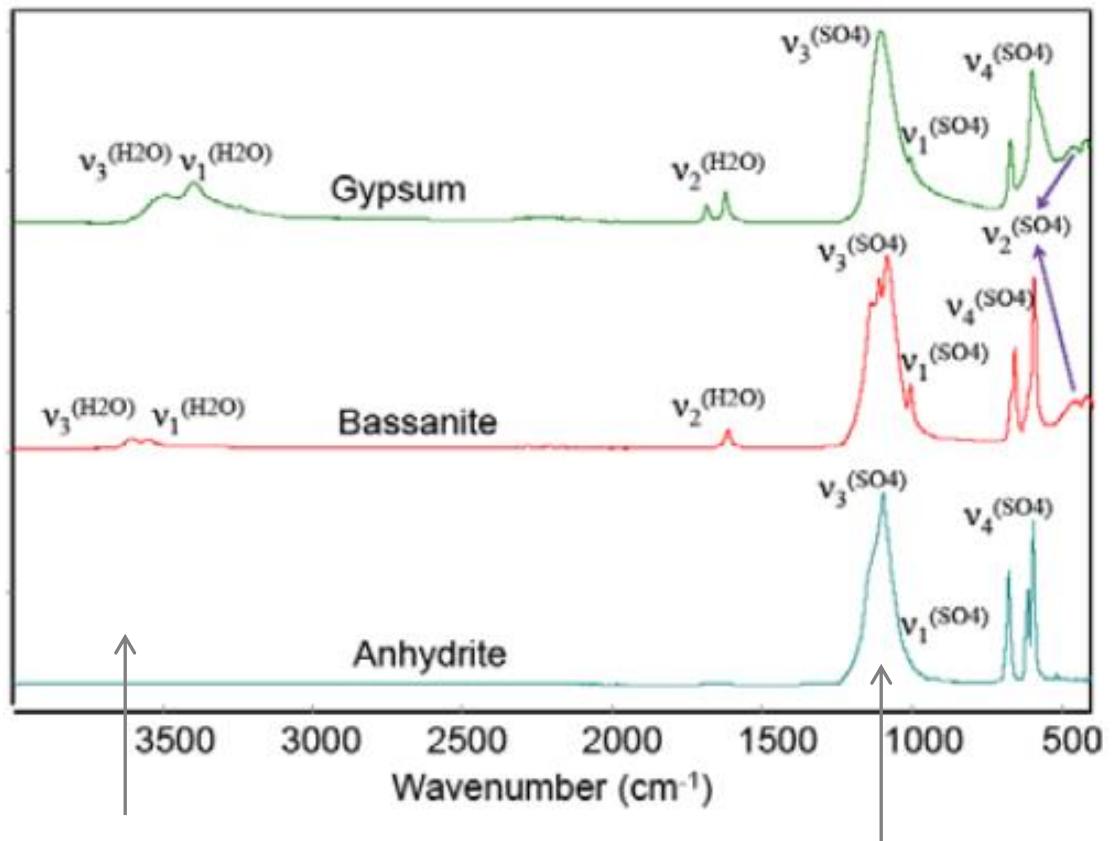
$$\text{ATR} = AB * \nu [\text{cm}^{-1}] / 1000 [\text{cm}^{-1}]$$

- Quick 😊
- Non invasive 😊
- (semi)destructive 😢



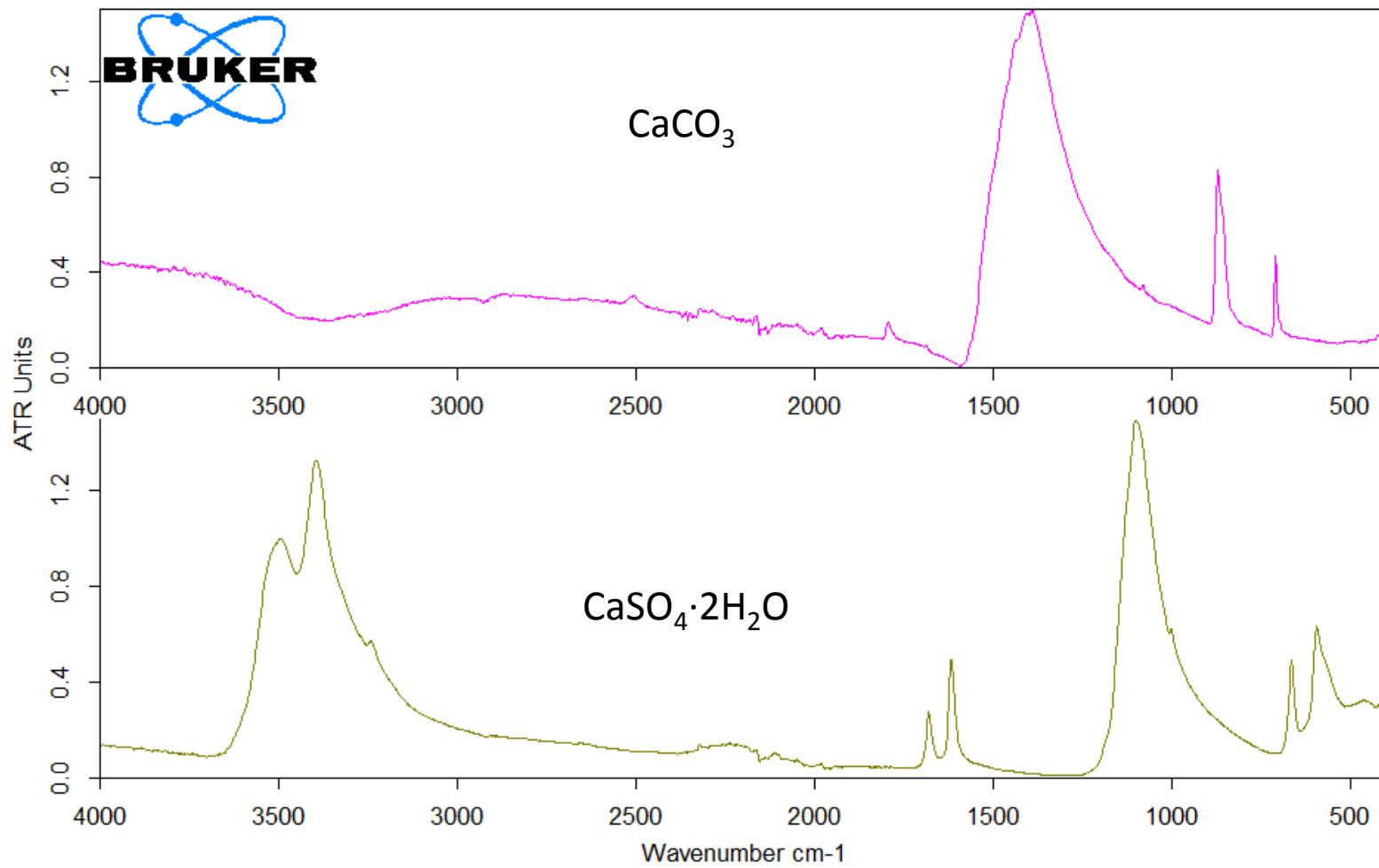
**Fig. 2.** Detail of a cross-section from the polychrome sculpture (Fe2): (a) visible microscopic image; (b) image of sample under ultraviolet light; (c) FT-IR image created by plotting the integrated absorbance of the embedding resin band between 1330 and 1200 cm<sup>-1</sup>; (d) FT-IR image showing the distribution of the silicate integrated absorbance between 1050 and 1000 cm<sup>-1</sup>; (e) FT-IR image showing the distribution of the azurite integrated absorbance between 970 and 920 cm<sup>-1</sup>; (f) FT-IR image showing the distribution of the carbonate integrated absorbance between 1335 and 1440 cm<sup>-1</sup>; (g) FT-IR image showing the distribution of the amide II integrated absorbance between 1580 and 1480 cm<sup>-1</sup>; (h) FT-IR image showing the distribution of the triglycerides integrated absorbance between 1765 and 1725 cm<sup>-1</sup>; (i) FT-IR spectrum extracted from the right area of h, marked sp1. The size of the FT-IR images is 700 μm × 500 μm. The figure is available in colour in the online version via Science Direct.

# ATR spectrum of gypsum



Water molecule:  
Stretching symmetric  
and antisymmetric of H<sub>2</sub>O

$\nu_3$  Stretching antisymmetric of SO<sub>4</sub> tetrahedra  
 $\nu_1$  Stretching symmetric of SO<sub>4</sub> tetrahedra



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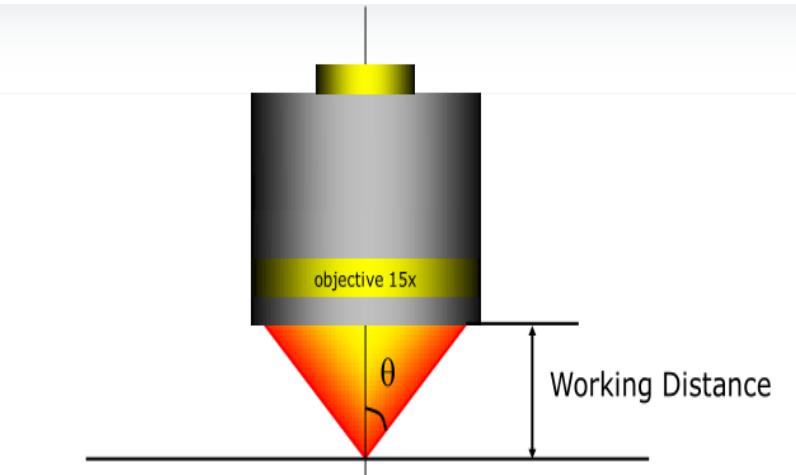
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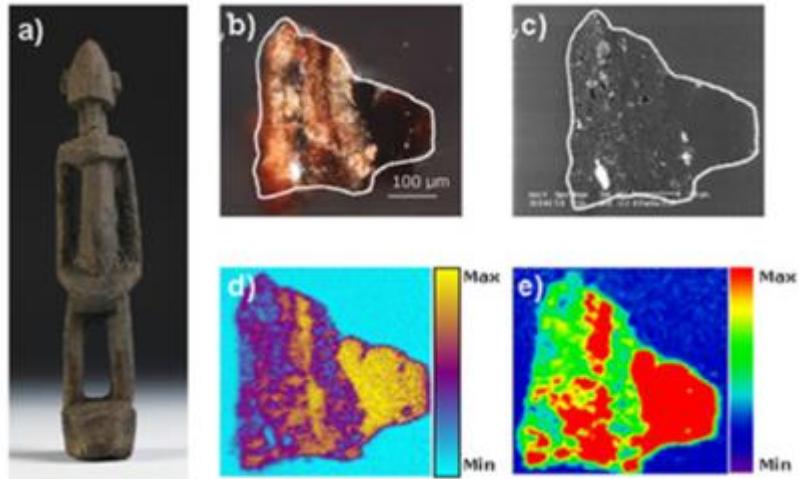
# Microscopy and Imaging



$$NA = n \cdot \sin 2\theta$$

The IR microscope is essentially a beam condenser

# FTIR imaging



Study of the patina sample from a Dogon statuette:

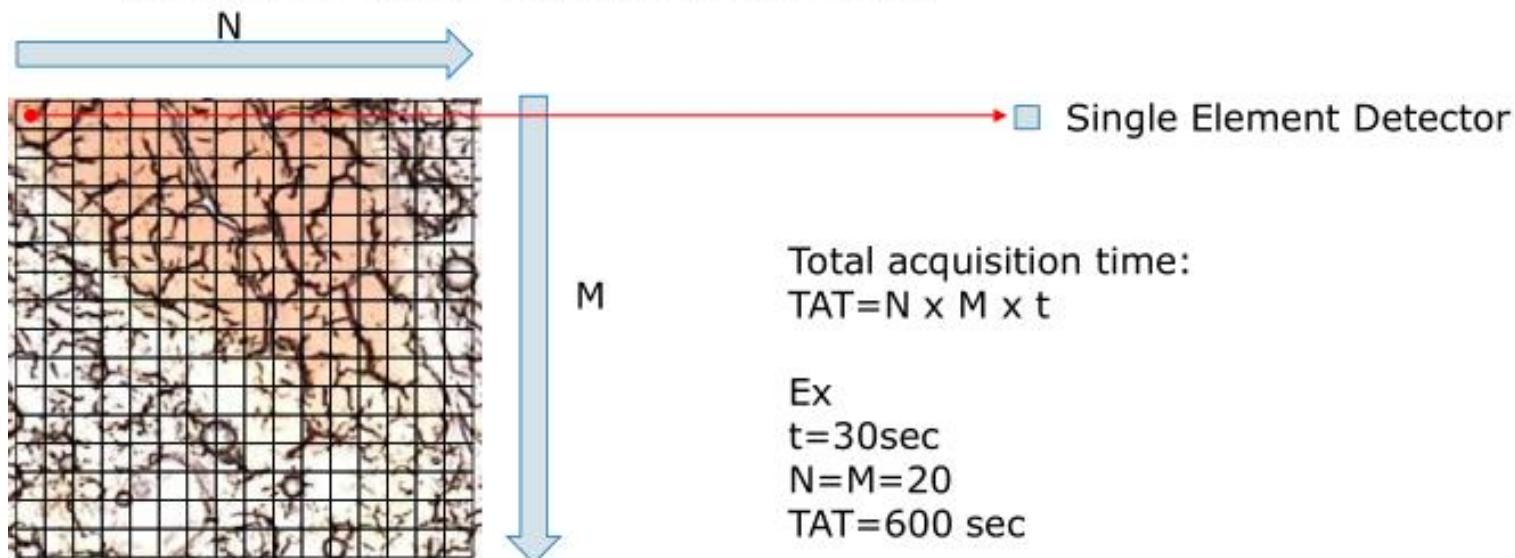
- a) Photograph of the object, Quai Branly Museum, inventory no 71.1935.105.169, (copyright C2RMF, D. Vigears);
- b) Dark field microscopic view of the cross-section of the sample;
- c) Backscattered electron micrograph;
- d) ToF-SIMS image of protein fragment ions;
- e) SR- $\mu$ FTIR image of proteins.

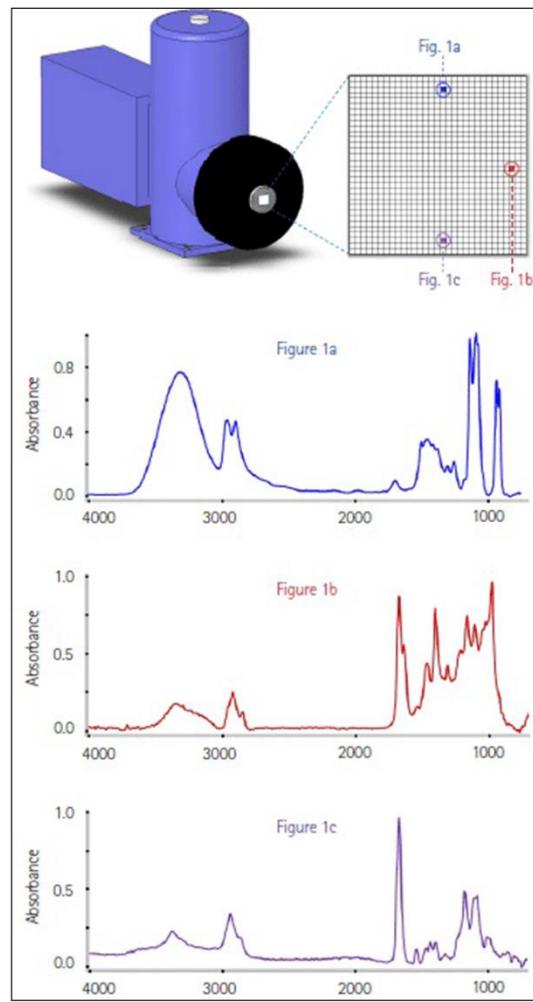
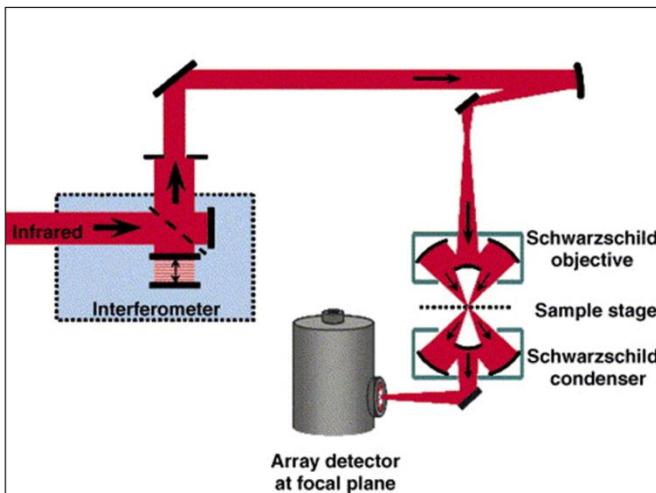
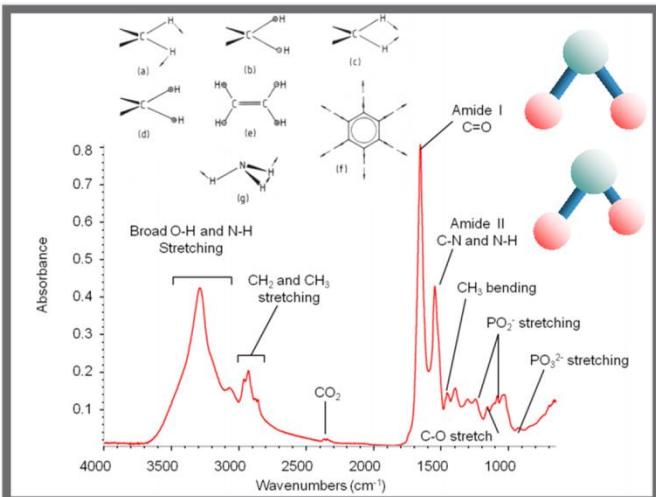
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Analytical Chemistry. DOI : 10.1021/ac070993k

# Mapping vs imaging

## Mapping:

- Campione
- Stage portacampioni automatico gestito da PC
- Rivelatore a singolo elemento (MCT, 250 $\mu$ m)

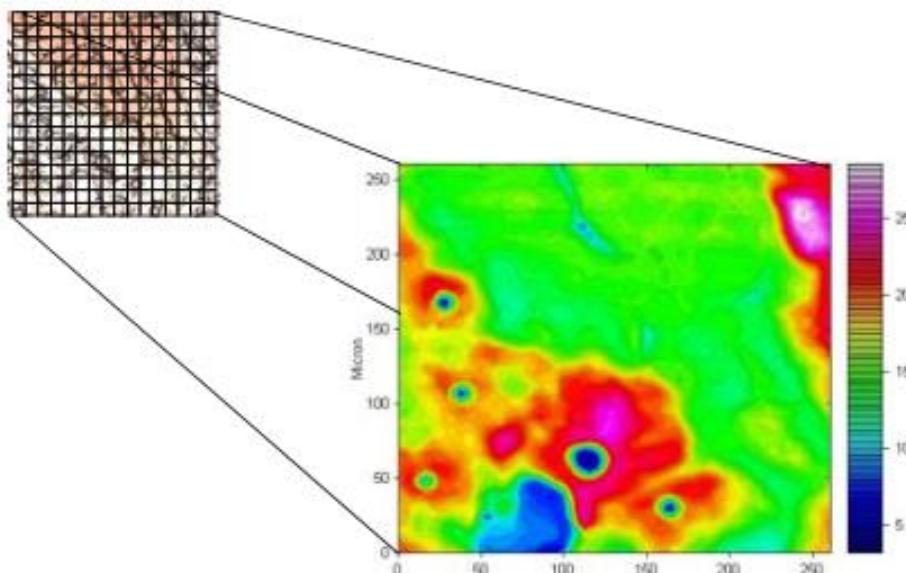




**Figura 2:** (a) Lo spettro IR di un composto organico mostra gli assorbimenti dovuti alle vibrazioni molecolari. (b) Schema ottico del microscopio IR accoppiato allo spettrometro ed al detector FPA. (c) Schema di funzionamento di un detector FPA.

## Imaging:

- Campione
- Stage portacampioni non necessariamente automatico
- Focal Plane Array Detector (64x64, 128x128, 256x256 – pixel da 40 $\mu$ m)



Total acquisition time:  
 $TAT=t$

In  $t$  we are acquiring a  
 $N \times N$  matrix of spectra

# APPLICATION TO THE STUDY OF PAINTING CROSS SECTIONS

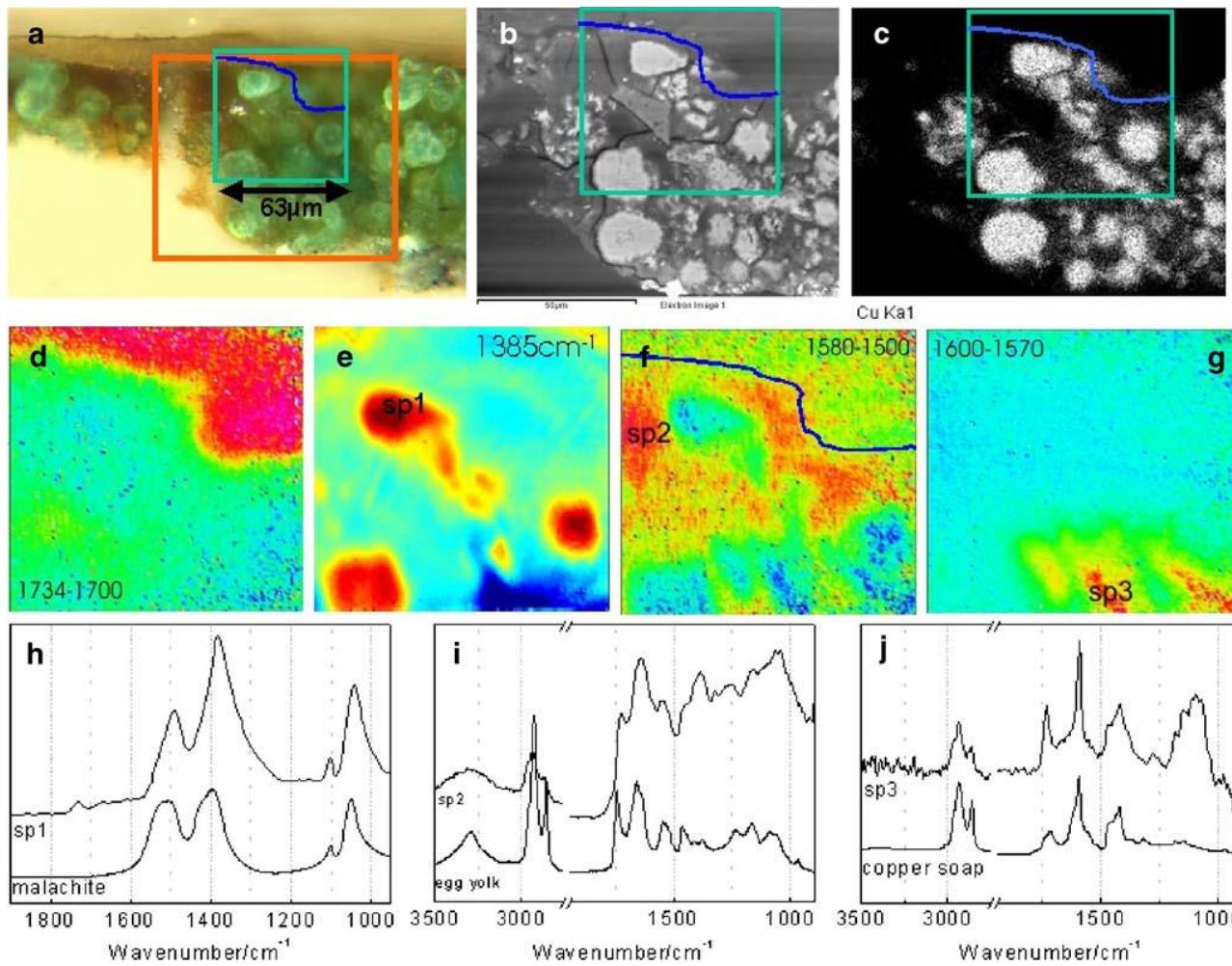


Figura 1. Sezione stratigrafica di un frammento prelevato dalla veste verde di un dipinto raffigurante la Madonna col Bambino: a) sezione stratigrafia al microscopio ottico in luce visibile; b) immagine ottenuta al microscopio elettronico (SEM); c) mappatura dell'elemento rame (Cu) eseguita mediante spettrometro a raggi X al microscopio elettronico (SEM-EDS); d) distribuzione della resina poliestere ottenuta mediante FTIR FPA-imaging; e) distribuzione del pigmento verde malachite, ottenuta mediante FTIR FPA-imaging; f) distribuzione di legante proteico, ottenuta mediante FTIR FPA-imaging; g) distribuzione di olio siccativo ottenuta mediante FTIR FPA-imaging; h) spettro di assorbimento della particella verde e del riferimento della malachite; i) spettro della componente proteica e del riferimento del rosso d'uovo; j) spettro ottenuto da una zona contenente olio siccativo e lo spettro di riferimento di una "sapone" formatosi per reazione tra rame e olio siccativo – immagine tratta dal testo citato – nota 3



## Studio dei processi di degradazione dei pigmenti gialli di Van Gogh



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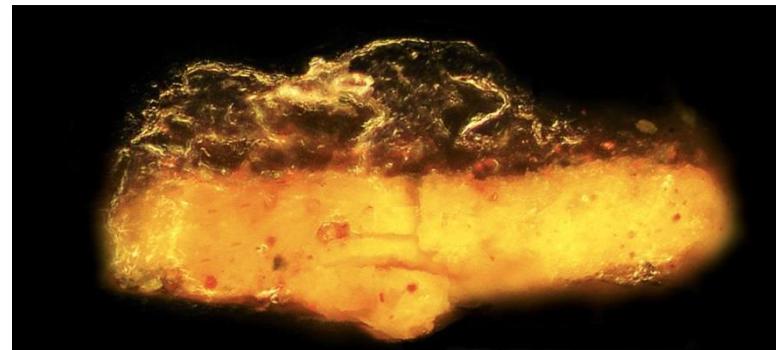
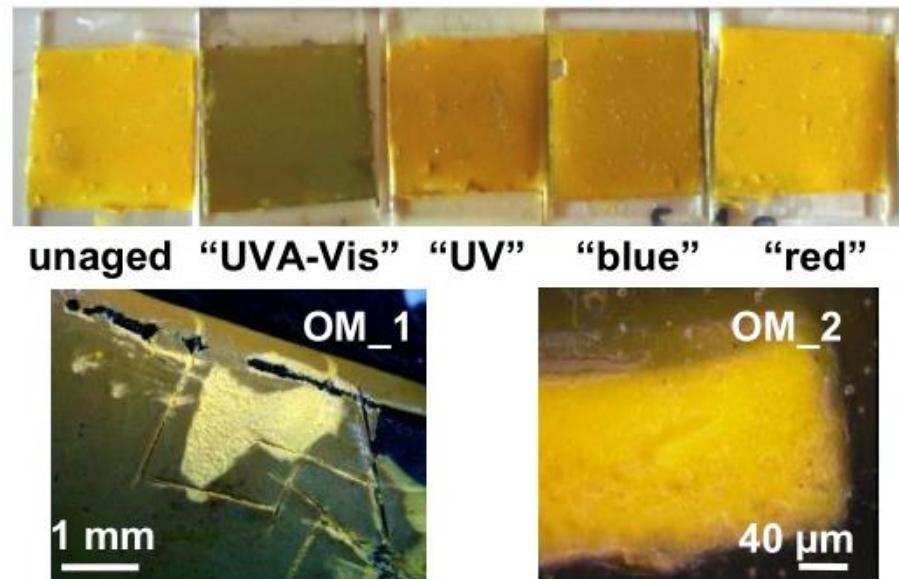
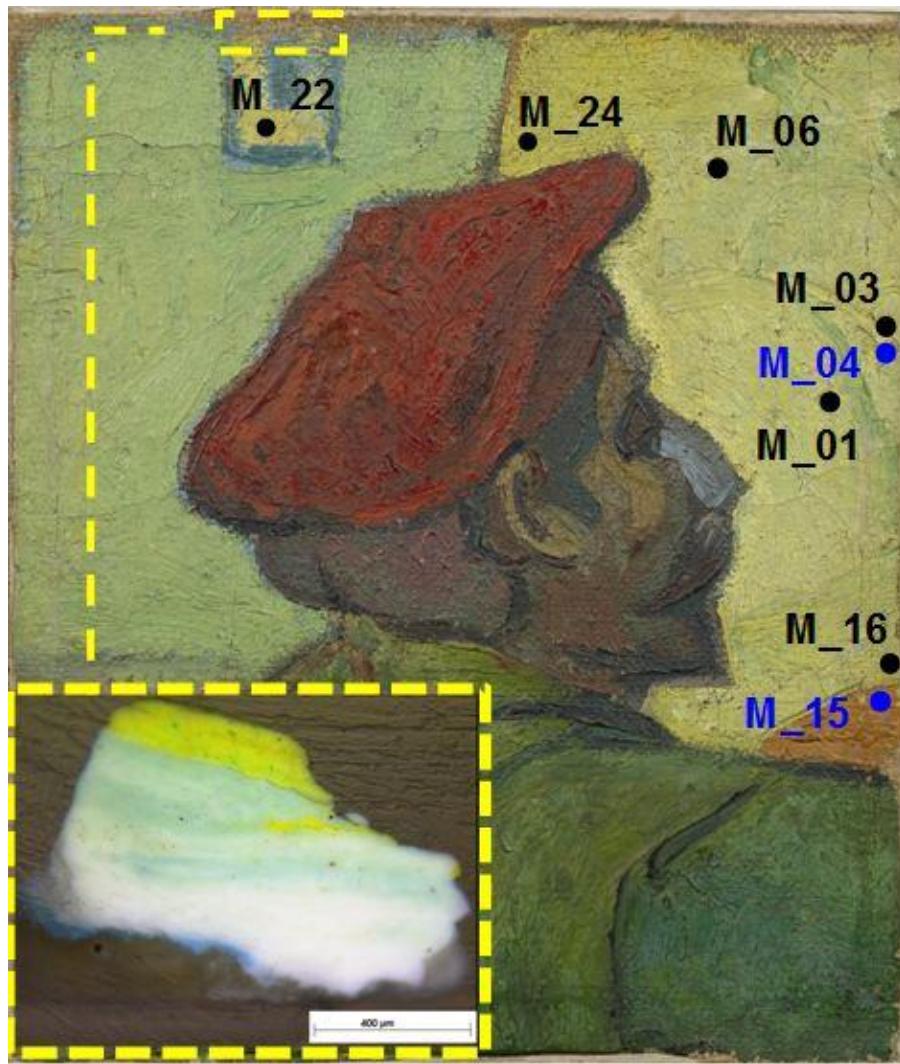


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# Alcuni spettri di riferimento

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La Venaria Reale



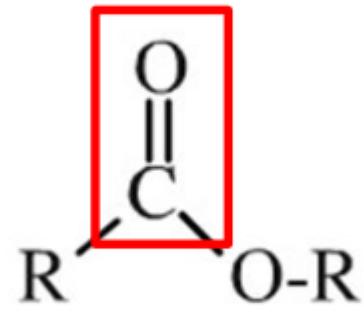
# Il carbonile

	2960-2850	stretch
C-H	1470-1350	scissoring and bending
	1380	- Doublet - isopropyl, <i>t</i> -butyl
C-H	3080-3020	stretch
	1000-675	bend
C-H	3100-3000	stretch
	870-675	bend
	2000-1600	fingerprint region
C-H	3333-3267	stretch
	700-610	bend
C=C	1680-1640	stretch
C≡C	2260-2100	stretch
C=C	1600, 1500	stretch
C-O	1260-1000	stretch
C=O	1760-1670	stretch
	3640-3160	stretch
O-H	3600-3200	stretch
	3000-2500	stretch
N-H	3500-3300	stretch
	1650-1580	bend
C-N	1340-1020	stretch
C≡N	2260-2220	stretch

Solventi  
Leganti  
Vernici  
Fibre

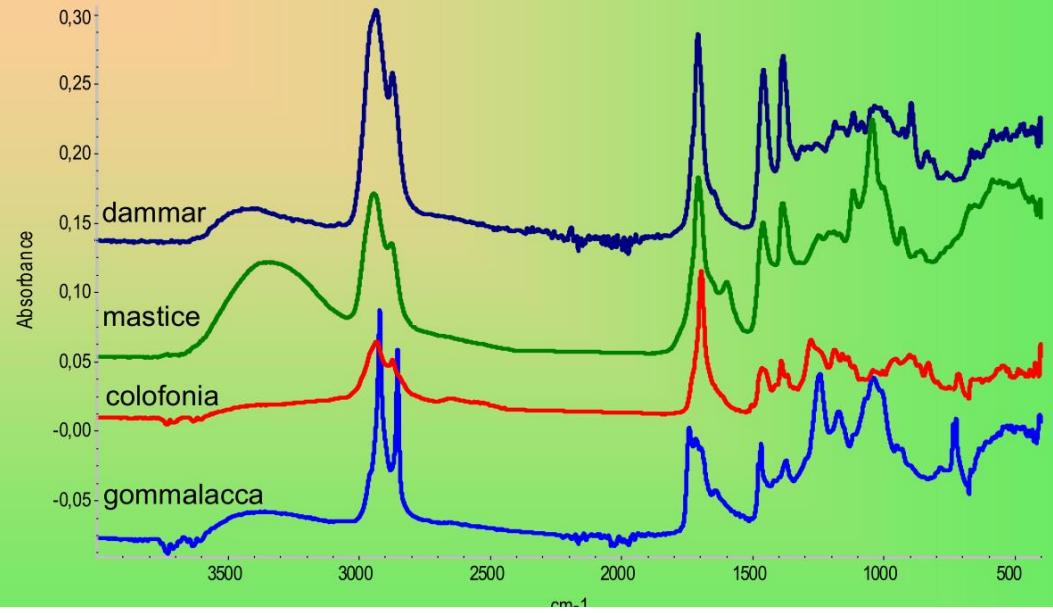
Ma anche in alcuni pigmenti inorganici

# Gli esteri



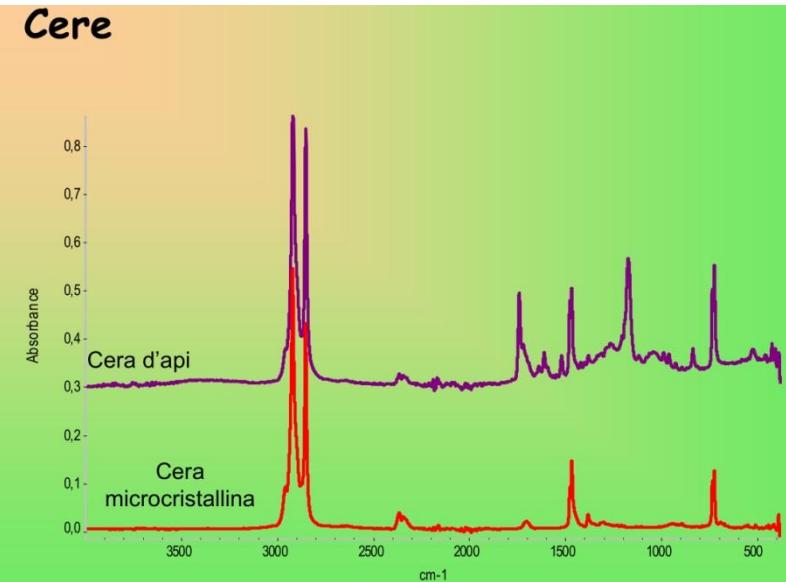
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## Resine naturali

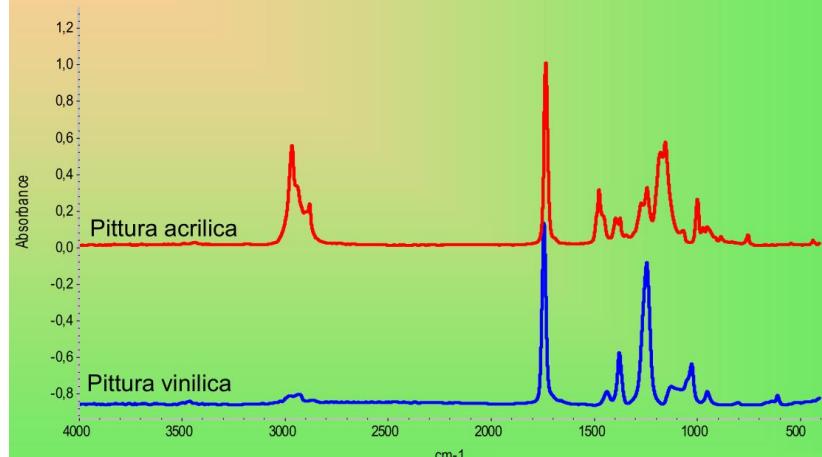


Olio di lino cotto

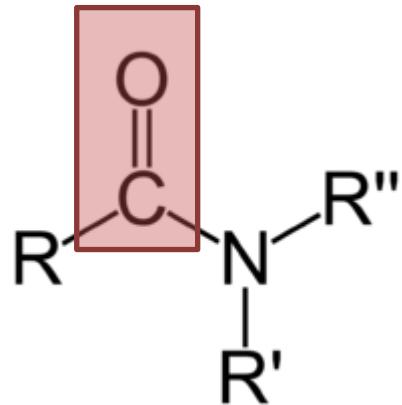
## Cere



## Resine sintetiche



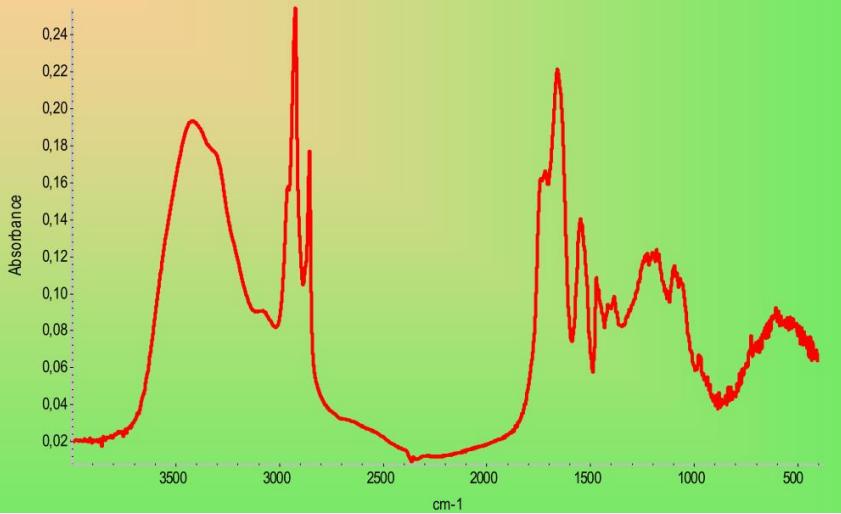
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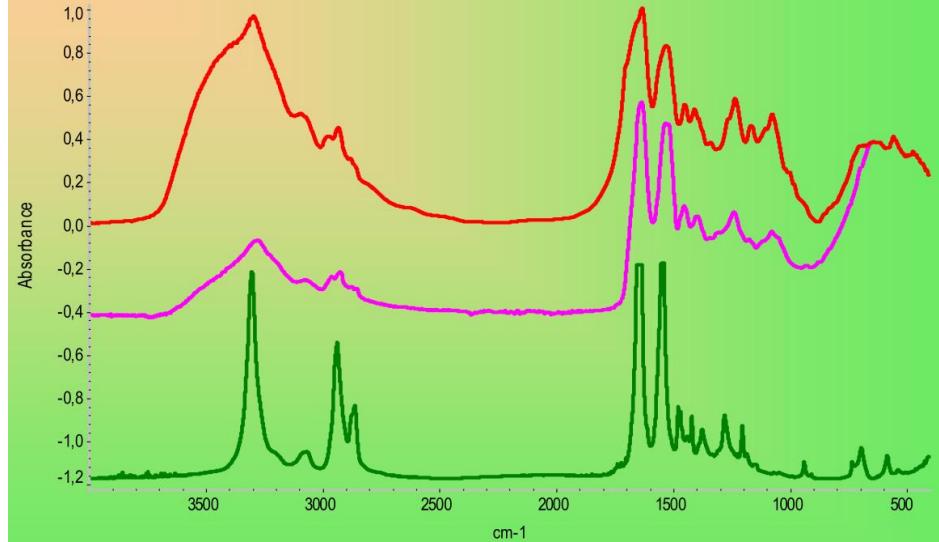
Struttura generale di un'ammide. Se R' e R'' sono idrogeni l'ammide si dice primaria, se solo uno fra R' ed R'' è un H, si dice secondaria, se R' ed R'' non sono idrogeni, l'ammide si dice terziaria

Tempere all'uovo  
Tempera grassa  
Lana e seta  
Colle animali  
Cuoio e pelle  
Caseina  
Plastica

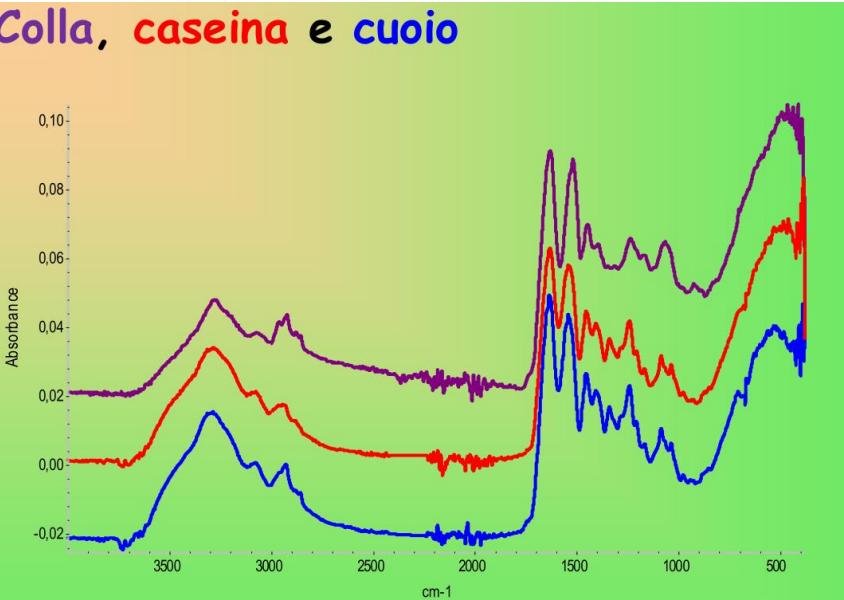
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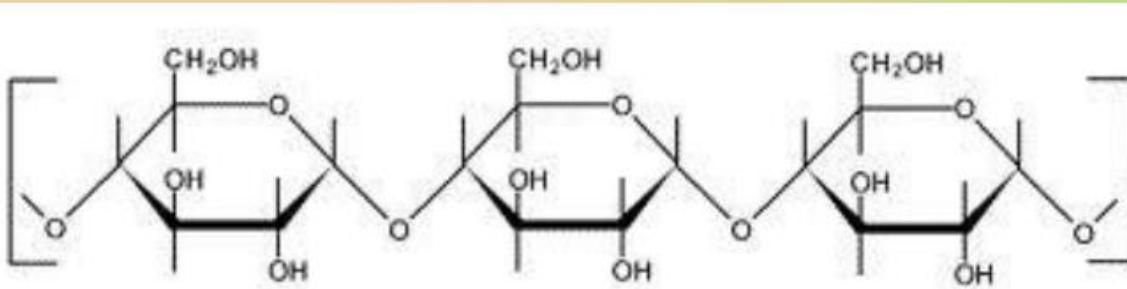
Lana, seta e nylon



Colla, caseina e cuoio

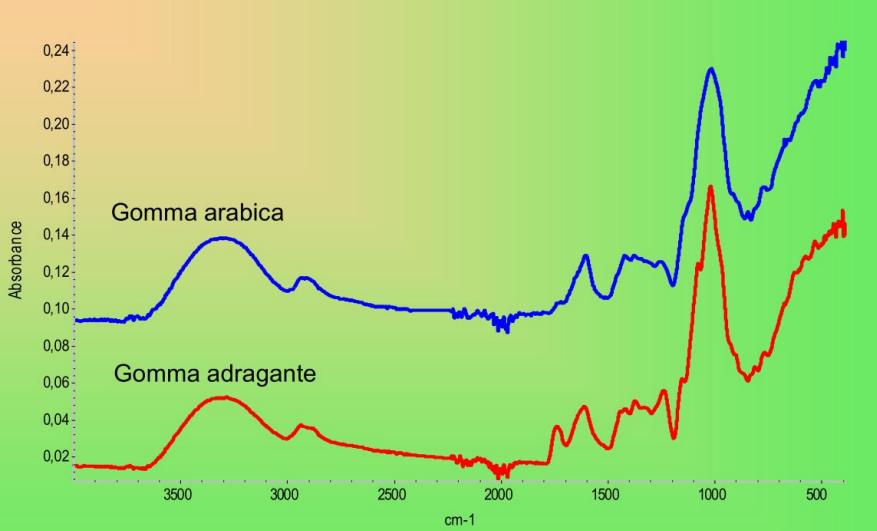


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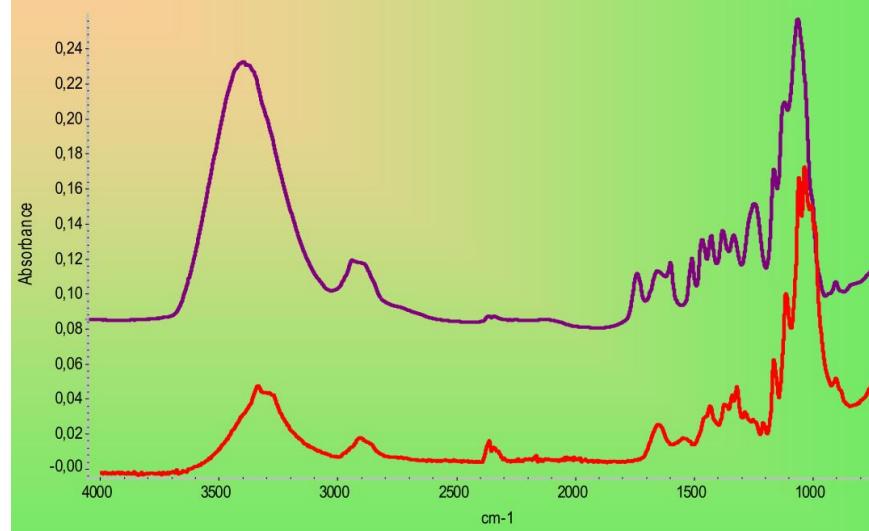


Acquerello  
Gomme naturali  
Legno  
Carta  
Fibre vegetali

Acquerello

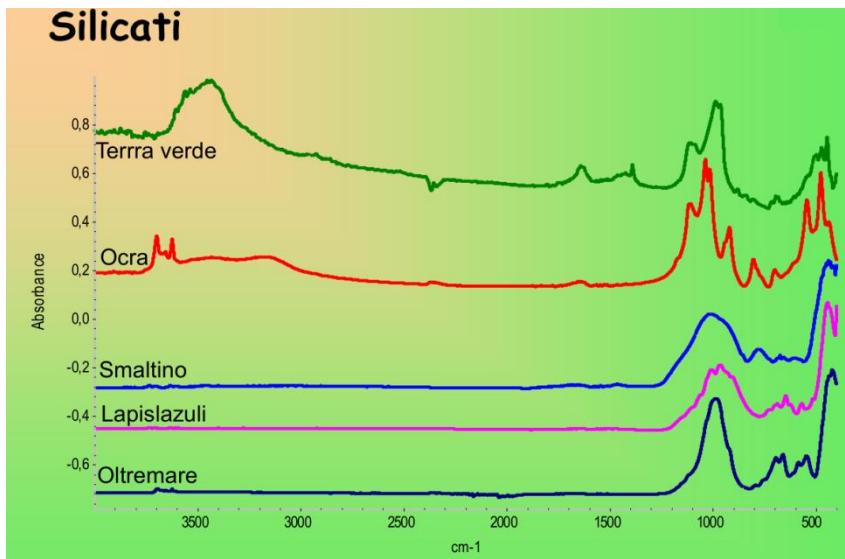
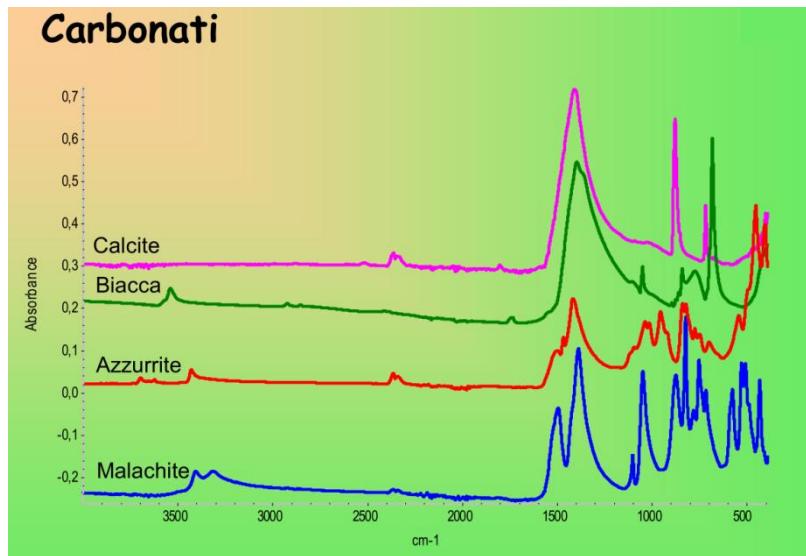


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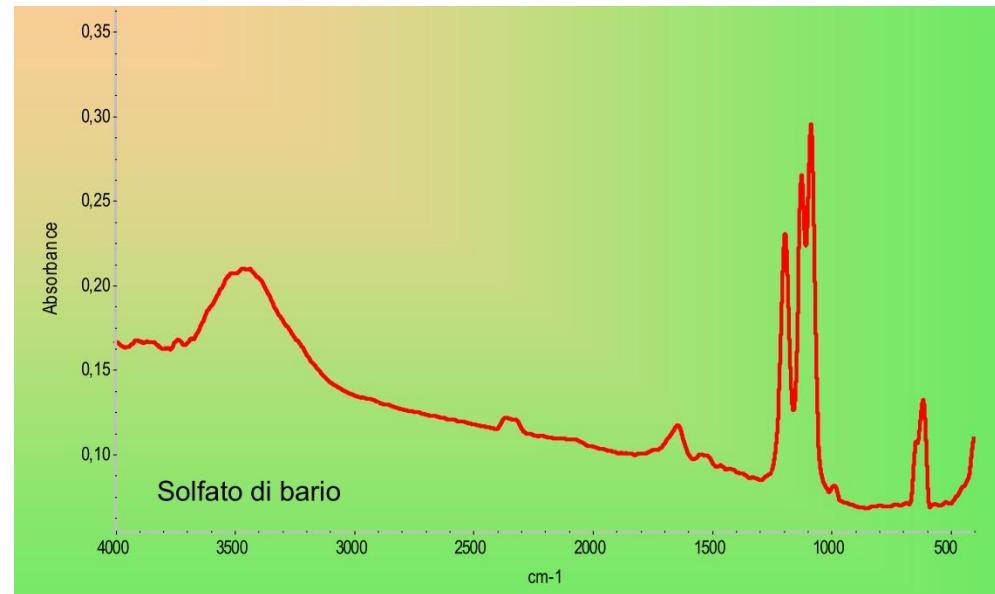
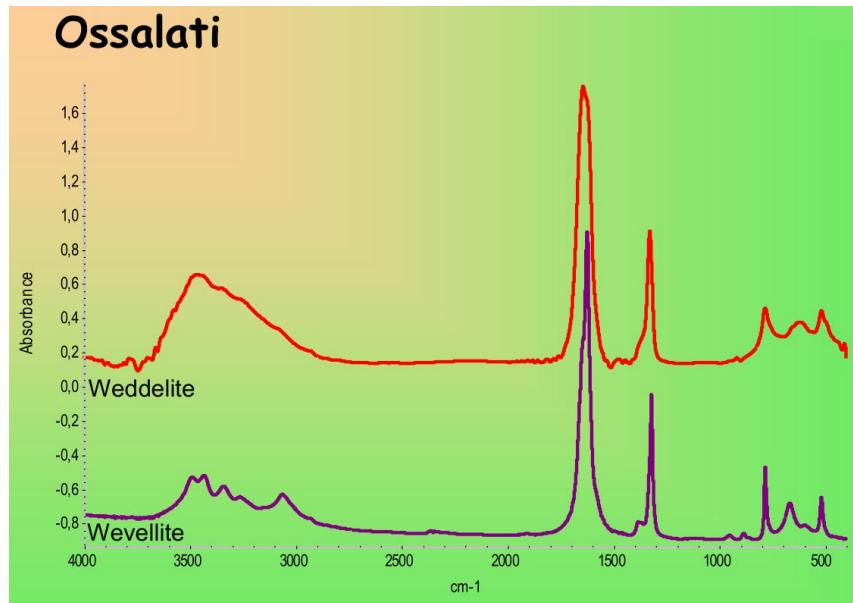
# I pigmenti

- Carbonati
- Silicati
- Solfati
- Pigmenti organici



# Prodotti di degrado comuni

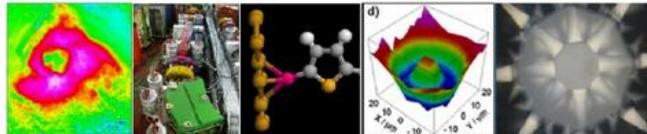
- Solfati
- Ossalati
- Nitrati
- Saponi





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