Study of Phase Transitions by Means of Raman Scattering

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Introduction

- Raman spectroscopy is based on inelastic scattering of light
- When photons incident on a crystal it shows three phenomena:
 - (1) Most of the incident radiation is scattered elastically in all possible directions, a phenomenon known as **Rayleigh scattering**
 - (2) Molecule absorbs energy. The scattered photon has lower energy and thus shifted towards the red end of the spectrum - Stokes Raman scattering
 - (3) Molecule losses energy. The scattered photon has higher energy and thus shifted towards the blue end of the spectrum - anti-Stokes Raman scattering

Stokes scattering is stronger comparing with the anti-Stokes scattering

Stokes & anti-Stokes Raman Scattering

Stokes-> A molecule is raised from ground state to virtual state and then drops back down to a higher vibrational state; scattered photon loses energy and wavelength is increased

anti-Stokes-> A molecule is in vibrational state to start with; after scattering is in its ground state; scattered photon gains energy and the wavelength is decreased





http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Raman_spectroscopy

Stokes & anti-Stokes Raman Scattering Rayleigh ¥23 Stokes anti-Stokes Intensity -314

-218

Stokes lines are stronger than the anti-Stokes lines and both of them give the same information and it is customary to the measure Stokes side of the spectra





Raman Spectra of CCl₄ irradiated by 488 nm laser beam

Ferraro, J. R., Introductory Raman Spectroscopy, Academic press, Harcourt Brace & Co. Pub. (1994)

Origin of Raman Scattering

The strength of electric field of the laser

Electric dipole moment

 $P = \alpha E = \alpha E_0 \cos(2\pi v_0 t) \dots (2)$

Nuclear displacement

$$q = q_0 \cos(2\pi v_m t) \dots (3)$$

Where v_m is the frequency of molecular vibration q_0 is the vibrational amplitude



Origin of Raman Scattering

Electronic polarizability is a function of q

Where $\left(\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial q}\right)_0$ is the rate of change of α w. r. t. q evaluated at equilibrium

$$P = \alpha E_0 \cos(2\pi v_0 t)$$

$$= \alpha_0 E_0 \cos(2\pi v_0 t) + \left(\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial q}\right)_0 q E_0 \cos(2\pi v_0 t)$$

$$= \alpha_0 E_0 \cos(2\pi v_0 t) + \left(\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial q}\right)_0 q_0 E_0 \cos(2\pi v_0 t) \cos(2\pi v_m t)$$

$$= \alpha_0 E_0 \cos(2\pi v_0 t) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial q}\right)_0 q_0 E_0 [\cos\{2\pi (v_0 + v_m)t\} + \cos\{2\pi (v_0 - v_m)t\}]......(5)$$

Origin of Raman Scattering

 1^{st} Term \rightarrow Rayleigh scattering (an oscillating dipole radiates at frequency v_0

 2^{nd} Term \rightarrow anti-Stokes scattering with a frequency ($v_0 + v_m$)

 3^{rd} Term \rightarrow Stokes scattering with a frequency ($v_0 - v_m$)

To be Raman active

$$\left(\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial q}\right)_0 \neq \mathbf{0}$$



Advantages of Raman Spectroscopy

- Structural changes that alter the crystal symmetry often have a significant effect on the Raman spectrum
- Raman scattering is very sensitive which can detect lowconcentration impurity phases, which might missed out by other techniques (XRD)
- Its simple and sophisticated requiring no sample preparation, it can be used for the detailed study of solids, liquids & gases
- Raman scattering technique works faster than other techniques in the identification of a sample





















Phase Transition of 7-nm PT Nanocrystals

With the increase in temperature spectra above 200 nm-1 varies slightly. The intensity of the lowest mode (mode 1 at 50 cm-1) is much larger than that of its neighbour (mode 2 at 100 cm-1). As the heating progresses, the spectra become weak enough and in the vicinity of temperature 166°C these modes appear to degenerate, which consequences that around this temperature (T_c^{O} -T) a phase transition takes place and the new phase is

identified to be tetragonal phase



Fu, D., Suzuki, H., and Ishikawa, K., Phys. Rev. B 62, 5, 3125 (2000)





No Phase Transition in the observed temperature range



Souza, A. G., Filho, et al. Phys. Rev. B, 66, 132107 (2002) Coexistence of monoclinic and tetragonal Phases and broadening the bands at $x \neq 0.48$

Burns, G. and Scott, B. A., Phys. Rev. B 7, 3088 (1973)



A1(2TO) mode for all spectra in the temperature range $300 \leq T \leq 470K$ which indicates no evidence of phase transition for this composition. At T = 450K for x = 0.46and x = 0.48 both the Raman spectra are in tetragonal phase

PbZr_{0.54}Ti_{0.46}O₃

750K

580K

470K

450K

420K

380K

300K

140

260

Frequency (cm^{-1})

Intensity (arb. units)

20

A₁(2TO)

(a)

380





Raman Spectra of La-doped SrBi₂Nb₂O₉

The Raman shift takes place due to

•The heavier mass of La

• For mode 575 cm⁻¹ with the Lacontent relaxation of the bonds in the Bi_2O_2

•La-substitution causes weakening the chemical stability of Bi_2O_2 layers damages the original functions of Bi_2O_2 layers as electron insulation and electron reservoirs







Summary

- Raman spectroscopy is a powerful, non-destructive technique based on inelastic scattering of monochromatic light and widely be used to study solid, liquid and gaseous samples
- The presence of any kind of doping element gives rise to new Raman bands that are very useful for the characterization of purity, crystallite size etc in different samples
- The relative intensities of Raman bands depend upon the photon energy of the laser source
- Raman spectroscopy can also provide very useful information about the phase transitions caused by particles size,
 Imperature, pressure or by other external physical parameters

