

DOUBLE PHOTON SCATTERING BY INTERACTING QUADRUPOLEAR
AND OCTOPOLAR MOLECULES

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In accordance with experiment, double-photon scattering by tetrahedral molecules involves their octopole-induced dipole interaction and translational fluctuations. Quadrupole-induced dipole interaction can cause second-harmonic scattering by molecules with centre of inversion.

For observation at angle θ to the incident beam of intensity I , the horizontal scattering component of double frequency 2ω [1,2] is given by

$$H_h^{2\omega} = V_h^{2\omega} \sin^2 \theta + V_v^{2\omega} \cos^2 \theta \quad (1)$$

with vertical components given as

$$V_h^{2\omega} = H_v^{2\omega} = \frac{1}{35} \left(\frac{2\omega}{c} \right)^4 F_{2\omega} I^2, \quad (2)$$

$$V_v^{2\omega} = \frac{8}{3} V_h^{2\omega} + \frac{1}{30} \left(\frac{2\omega}{c} \right)^4 G_{2\omega} I^2. \quad (3)$$

$F_{2\omega}$ and $G_{2\omega}$ describe the optical properties and molecular structure of the scattering medium [2] and for a liquid of N tetrahedral molecules:

$$F_{2\omega} = N \left\{ \beta_{2\omega}^2 (1 + \frac{76}{5} \alpha^2 \langle r^{-6} \rangle) + \frac{14}{9} \gamma_{2\omega}^2 \Omega^2 \langle r^{-10} \rangle \right\}, \quad (4)$$

$$G_{2\omega} = -N \left\{ \beta_{2\omega}^2 (1 + \frac{22}{5} \alpha^2 \langle r^{-6} \rangle) - \frac{76}{9} \gamma_{2\omega}^2 \Omega^2 \langle r^{-10} \rangle \right\}; \quad (5)$$

$\beta_{2\omega}$ is the second-order nonlinear polarizability induced in the molecule by the square of the optical field E_ω [3], and $\gamma_{2\omega}$ the third-order polarizability induced by E_ω^2 and the molecular field F of electric molecular octopoles Ω at mutual distance r [4,5]; $\langle \rangle$ symbolizes statistical averaging with the radial correlation function $g(r)$. Terms $\langle r^{-6} \rangle$ result from translational fluctuation of molecules with linear polarizabilities α and $\langle r^{-10} \rangle$ from octopole-induced dipole interaction.

Defining the depolarization ratio $D_{2\omega}$ as of that components (2) and (3), we get by eqs. (4) and (5)

$$D_{2\omega} = \frac{\frac{1}{3} \left(1 + \frac{76}{5} \alpha^2 \langle r^{-6} \rangle + \frac{14}{9} (\gamma/\beta)^2 \Omega^2 \langle r^{-10} \rangle \right)}{1 + \frac{118}{5} \alpha^2 \langle r^{-6} \rangle + \frac{28}{3} (\gamma/\beta)^2 \Omega^2 \langle r^{-10} \rangle}, \quad (6)$$

whence one sees that in the absence of molecular interactions $D_{2\omega} = \frac{1}{3}$. In evaluating numerically $\langle r^{-n} \rangle$, one can recur to Kirkwood's approximation [6] yielding ($n \geq 4$)

$$\langle r^{-n} \rangle = 4\pi\rho \int_0^\infty g(r) r^{-n+2} dr = \frac{4\pi\rho}{n-3} \left(\frac{\pi}{6v} \right)^{\frac{n-3}{3}}; \quad (7)$$

ρ being the number density of molecules of volume v .

Using for CCl_4 $\rho V = 0.6$, $\alpha = 10.5 \times 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^3$, $\beta = 0.35 \times 10^{-30} \text{ e.s.u.}$, $\gamma = 12 \times 10^{-36} \text{ e.s.u.}$ [3] and assuming $\Omega = 15 \times 10^{-34} \text{ e.s.u.}$ we get by eqs. (6) and (7) $D_{2\omega} = 0.34$ in accordance with experiment [1]. The value of Ω estimated recently by Weinberg [4] is about twice the value used above.

In molecules with a centre of inversion but having a quadrupole moment Θ , the quadrupole field induces additionally a nonlinear dipole, and second-harmonic scattering occurs given by

$$F_{2\omega} = \frac{5N}{72} \gamma_{2\omega}^2 \Theta^2 (7 + 5\kappa_\gamma) \langle r^{-8} \rangle, \quad (8)$$

$$G_{2\omega} = \frac{5N}{36} \gamma_{2\omega}^2 \Theta^2 (19 - 25\kappa_\gamma) \langle r^{-8} \rangle \quad (9)$$

resulting in a depolarization ratio of the form

$$D_{2\omega} = (7 + \kappa_\gamma)/(63 - 9\kappa_\gamma). \quad (10)$$

On neglecting the anisotropy of nonlinear polarizability $\kappa_\gamma = (\gamma_{3333} - \gamma_{1111})/3\gamma$, the depolarization from quadrupole molecules amounts to $\frac{1}{3}$.

Eq. (10) permits to determine the value and sign of the anisotropy κ_γ easily, provided measurements are available.

The preceding considerations show that investigation of second-harmonic scattering by interacting molecules yields information concerning the value of their quadrupole or octopole moments allowing comparison with the values from other methods [7].

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