

### Components

- **1.** Source
- 2. Michelson Interferometer
- 3. Sample
- 4. Detector

# 1-Sources

- Black body radiators
- resistively heated to 1500-2200 K
- Max radiation between 5000-5900 cm  $^{-1}\,$  (2-1.7  $\mu m).$
- SiC rod
- CO<sub>2</sub> laser
- (Far IR), Tungsten filament (Near IR)

## 2-Michaelson Interferometer

- Beam splitter
- Stationary mirror
- Moving mirror at constant velocity
- Motor Micrometer screw
- He/Ne laser



# 3- Sample

- Sample holder must be obvious to IR- salts
- Liquids
  - o Salt Plates
  - o 1 drop
  - Samples dissolved in volatile solvents 0.1-10%
- Solids
  - KBr pellets
  - Mulling (dispersions)
- Quantitative analysis-conserved cell with NaCl/ NaBr/KBr windows

### 4- Detector

#### • Thermal transducer:

black body, small, very low heat capacity-  $\Delta T=10^{-3}$  K, held in vacuum, signal is cut

#### • Thermocouples

Two junctions of metals, Indium and bismuth(Be) One is IR detector, one is reference detector

# Infrared Spectroscopy (IR or FTIR)

Measures the absorption of electromagnetic radiation by molecules. When molecules absorb infrared radiation of a certain energy, their bonds vibrate (stretch, contract, bend, wiggle, twist, etc.).

We can measure how much energy is absorbed at each particular wavelength and make inferences about the types of bonds that are present in the molecule.



#### Energy Levels: Basic Ideas



## Advantages of FTIR

- Non-destructive analysis technique
- Rapid
- open to solids, liquids, gases, solutions, and rough solids
- open to organics and inorganics, though primarily used for organics
- Provides a positive (Category A) test

### **CLASSIFICATION OF IR BANDS**

IR bands can be classified as **strong** (s), **medium** (m), or **weak** (w), depending on their relative intensities in the infrared spectrum. A strong band covers most of the *y*-axis. A medium band falls to about half of the *y*-axis, and a weak band falls to about one third or less of the *y*-axis.



## ACTIVE BONDS

Not all covalent bonds display bands in the IR spectrum. **Only polar bonds do so. These are referred to as IR active**.

The intensity of the bands depends on the magnitude of the **dipole moment** associated with the bond in question:

- Strongly polar bonds such as carbonyl groups (C=O) produce strong bands.
- Medium polarity bonds and asymmetric bonds produce medium bands.
- Weakly polar bond and symmetric bonds produce weak or non observable bands.









Bond	Frequency (Wavenumber Range, cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Intensity
C=0	1735-1680	strong
C=C	1680-1620	variable
C≡C	2260-2100	variable
C≡N	2260-2220	variable
C-H	3300-2700	variable
N-H	3150-2500	moderate
0-H	3650-3200	broad











### Wavelength and Wavenumber

- Wavelength = 1 / Wavenumber
- For the IR, wavelength is in microns.
- Wavenumber is typically in 1/cm, or cm<sup>-1</sup>.
- 5 microns corresponds to 2000 cm<sup>-1</sup>.
- 20 microns corresponds to 500 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

 15 microns corresponds to 667 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Much 'worldly' IR energy at the wavenumber.

# Fourier Transforms cont.

• The Continuous Fourier Transform, for use on continuous signals, is defined as follows:

$$\mathbf{F}(w) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{f}(x) \, \mathbf{e}^{(-2 \, \pi \, w \, i \, x)} \, dx$$

• And the Inverse continuous rouner Transform, which allows you to go from the spectrum back to the signal, is defined as:

$$\mathbf{f}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \infty & (2\pi w \, i \, x) \\ F(w) \, \mathbf{e}^{(2\pi w \, i \, x)} \, dw \end{bmatrix}$$

F(w) is the spectrum, under represents the frequency, and f(x) is the signal in the time where x represents the time. i is sqrt(-1)



