

Luminescence Spectroscopy (Chapter 15)

fluorescence, phosphorescence, chemiluminescence

all follow electronic excitation

Excited Electronic States:

Each electron has unique set of *quantum numbers* (Pauli Exclusion Principle)

n principal (1s, 3p...)

l angular momentum (l=0=s, l=1=p...)

s spin

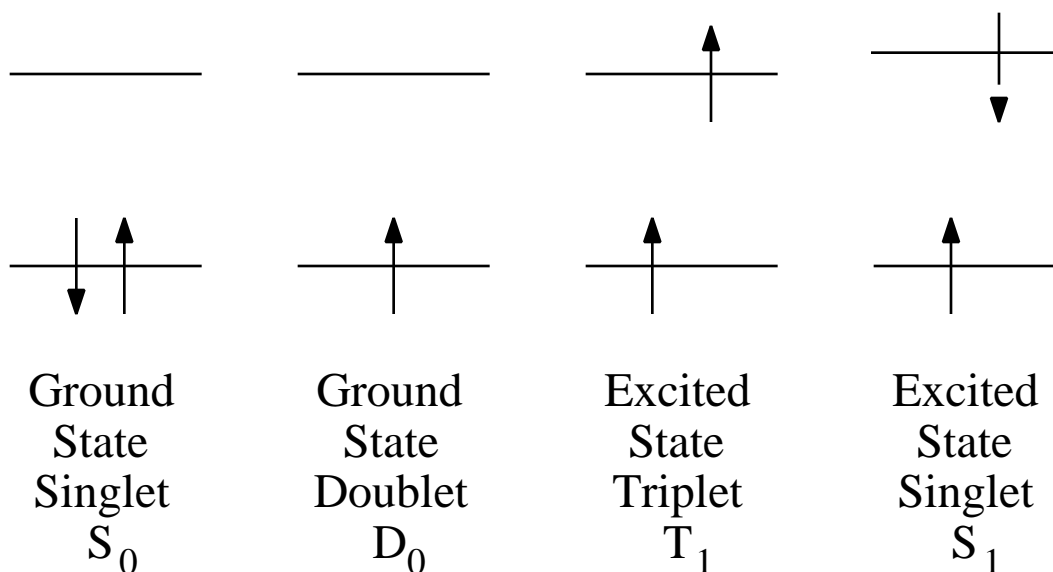
m magnetic

Any two electrons in same orbital (n, l, m) must have **different spins**

$$s = +\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$S = |s_i|$$

Multiplicity: $2S+1$ (either 1, 2, 3...)



Multiplicities:

S_0 - **common**, diamagnetic (not affected by B fields)

D_0 - unpaired electron, many radicals, two equal energy states

T_1 - **rare**, paramagnetic (affected by B fields)

(T_0 - doesn't exist, not ground state)

$$\text{Energy}(S_1) > \text{Energy}(T_1)$$

(difference is energy required to flip electron spin)

Example: Na ground state $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^1$

$s=1/2$, $2S+1=2$, ground state doublet s electron

written $3(2S)$

Two spin states of equal energy (up/down)

Na 1st excited state $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3p^1$

D_1 written $3(2P)$

BUT two spins states?

J (total ang. mom) = $L+S$ or $L-S$

now $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^1 = 3(2P_{1/2})$ and $3(2P_{3/2})$

Term Symbol $^{2S+1}L_J$

Na 3p $(2P_{1/2})$ 3s fluorescence two lines at **589.6 nm** ($2P_{3/2}$) and **589.0 nm**

$(S_1 \xrightarrow{\text{Emission}} S_0 \quad S_1 \xleftarrow{\text{Absorption}} S_0)$

What about Lifetimes?

- **Absorption:**

$S_1 \rightarrow S_0$ very fast 10^{-15} - 10^{-13} s

- **Relaxation:**

Resonant emission $S_1 \rightarrow S_0$ fast 10^{-9} - 10^{-5} s (**fluorescence**)

common in atoms

strong absorber shorter lifetime

Non-resonant emission $S_1 \rightarrow S_0$ fast 10^{-9} - 10^{-5} s (**fluorescence**)

common in molecules

v. fast vibrational relaxation

red shifted emission (**Stokes shift**)

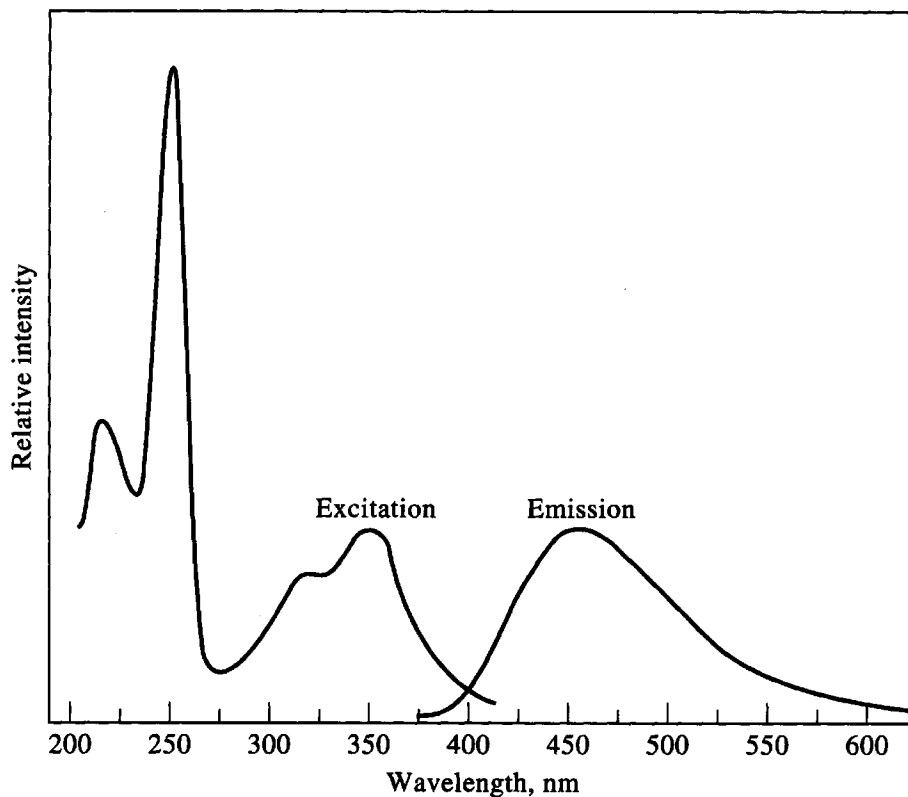


Fig. 15-2

Non-resonant emission $T_1 \rightarrow S_0$ slow 10^{-5} - 10 s (**phosphorescence**)

Transitions between states of different multiplicities are improbable
"forbidden" (e.g. $T \rightarrow S$ or $T \rightarrow T$)

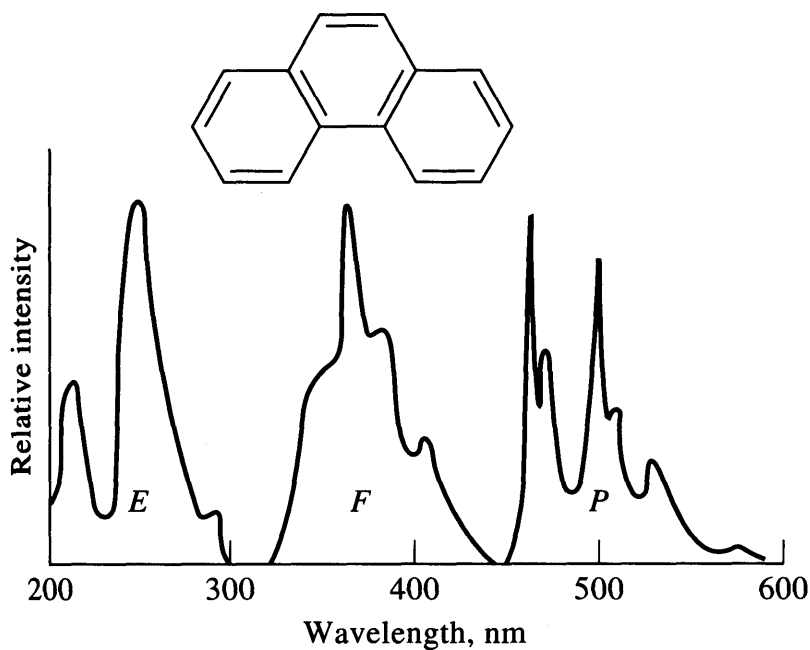


Fig. 15-3

phosphorescence

fluorescence

excitation

Internal Conversion: radiationless transition to lower state when vibrational energy levels "match"

External Conversion: radiationless transition to lower state by collisional deactivation

Intersystem Crossing: transition with spin change (e.g. S to T)

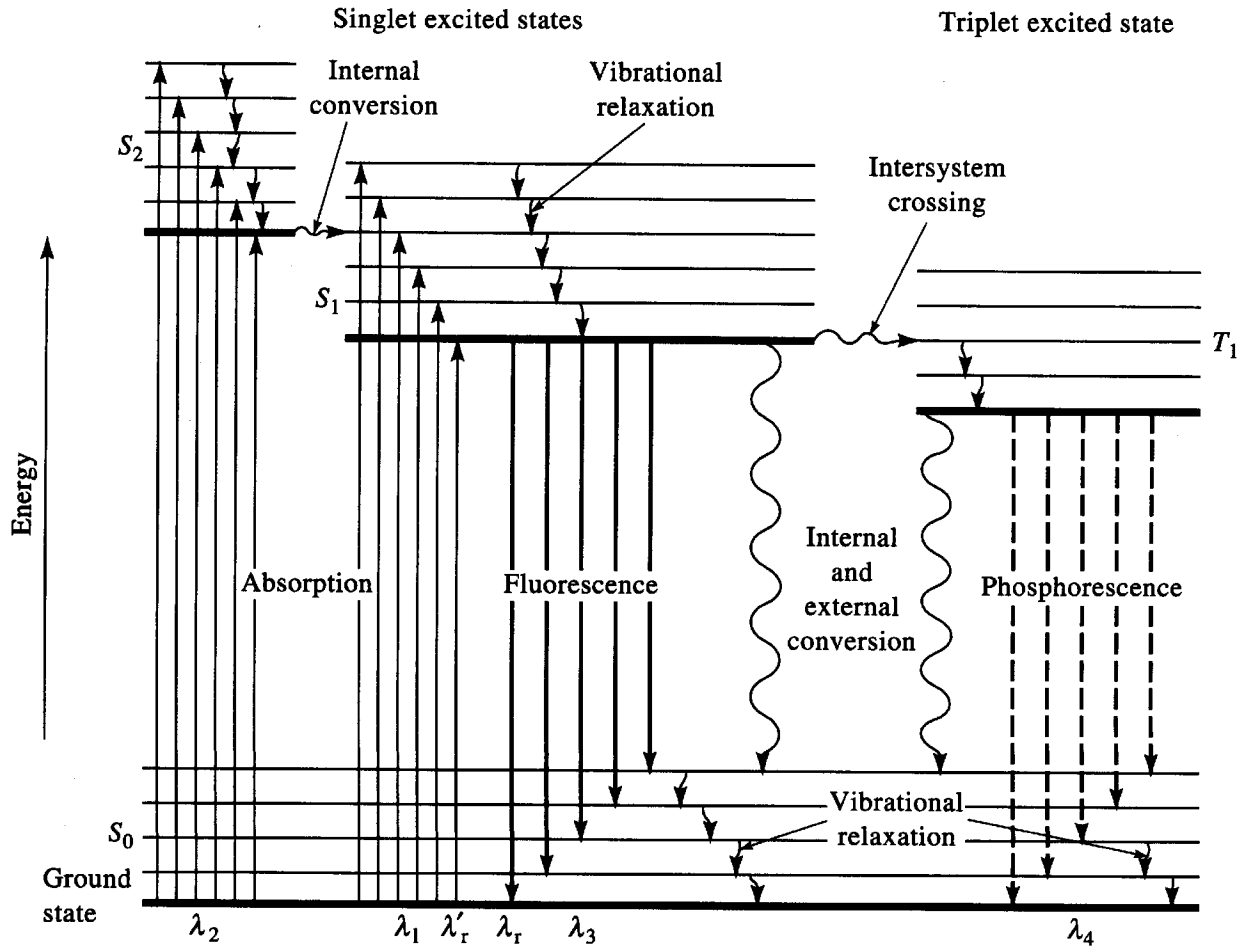
Fluorescence: emission not involving spin change (e.g. S → S, T → T), efficient, short-lived $<10^{-5}$ s

Phosphorescence: emission involving spin change (T → S), improbable, long-lived $>10^{-5}$ s

Dissociation: excitation to vibrational state with enough energy to break bond

Predissociation: relaxation to state with enough energy to break bond

Energy Level Diagram: (Fig. 15-1)



How likely is fluorescence?

Fluorescence Quantum Yield - ratio of number of molecules fluorescing to number excited

$$\Phi_{\text{fluor}} = \frac{\# \text{ photons fluor}}{\# \text{ species excited}} \quad (\Phi_{\text{fluor}} = 0.0 \text{ to } 1.0)$$

$$= \frac{k_{\text{fluor}}}{k_{\text{fluor}} + k_{\text{int con}} + k_{\text{ext con}} + k_{\text{ISC}} + k_{\text{pre dis}} + k_{\text{dis}}}$$

What Factors Affect Φ_{fluor} ?

(1) Excitation

Short λ 's break bonds increase $k_{\text{pre-dis}}$ and k_{dis}

rarely observed

most common

* * n *

emission usually from *lowest lying* excited state

(2) Lifetime of state

Transition probability measured by

Large k implies short lifetime

Largest fluorescence from short lifetime/high n state

* $k > k_n$ (10^{-9} - 10^{-7} s $>$ 10^{-7} - 10^{-5} s)

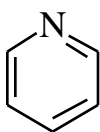
(3) Structure

Few conjugated aliphatics fluoresce

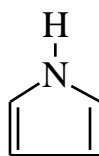
Many aromatics fluoresce

Desire short lifetime S_1 , no/slowly accessible T_1

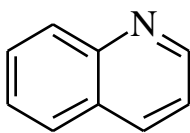
Fluorescence increased by # fused rings and substitution on/in ring



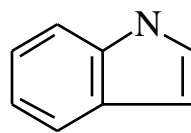
Pyridine



Pyrrole



Quinoline

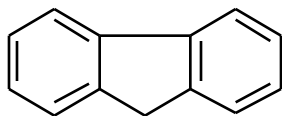


Indole

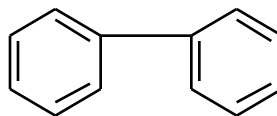
(4) Rigidity

Rigid structures fluoresce

Increase in fluorescence with chelation



Fluorene



Biphenyl

(5) Temperature, pH, solvent (p 363-364)

Quantitative Luminescence Spectrophotometry:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Fluorescence} \\
 \overline{F} &= K' \overbrace{(I_0 - I)}^{\text{Absorbed}} \\
 &= K' 2.303 bc I_0 \\
 &= K c
 \end{aligned}$$

Only works at low A (<0.05)

(i) self quenching (collisions between excited states)

(ii) self absorption (when absorption and fluorescence band overlap)

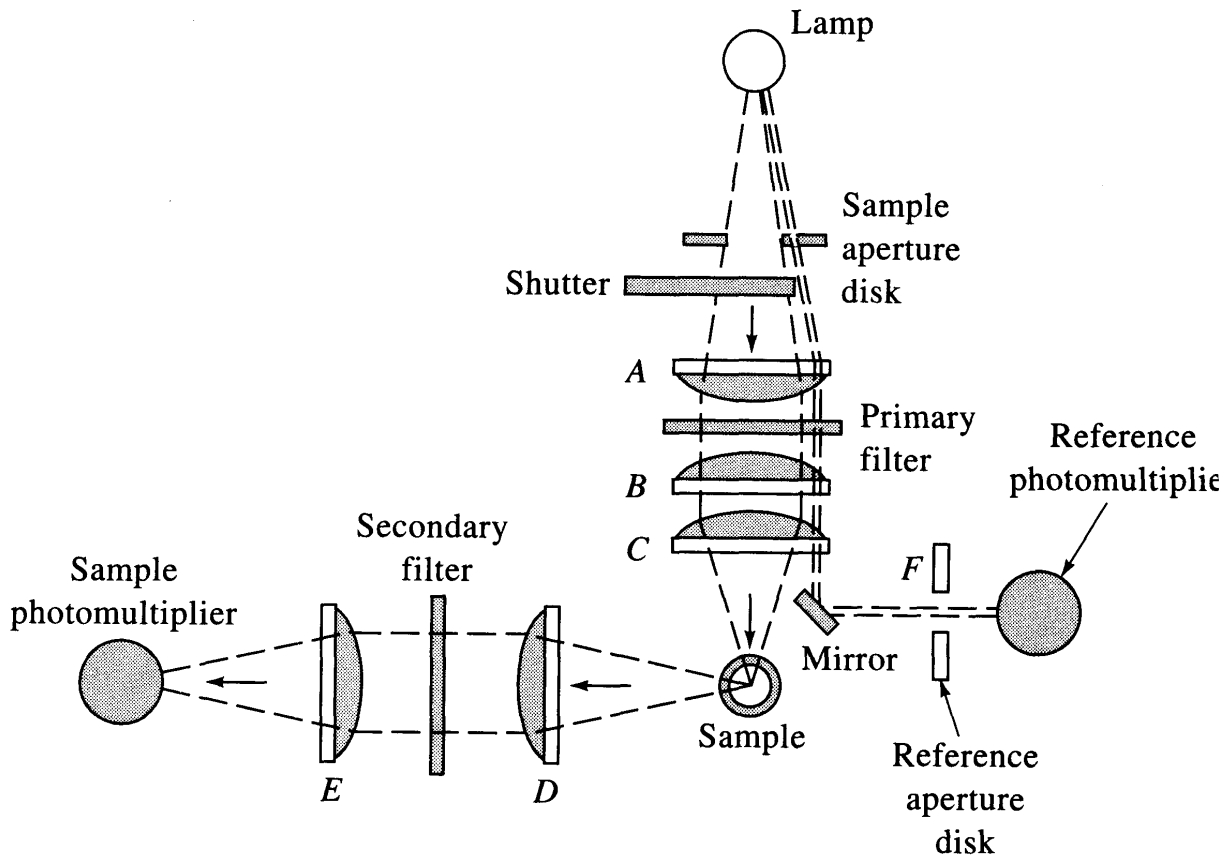


Fig. 15-6

Fluorometer - filters to isolate excitation and fluorescence wavelengths (but no scanning)

Spectrofluorometer - two monochromators for excitation scanning or fluorescence scanning

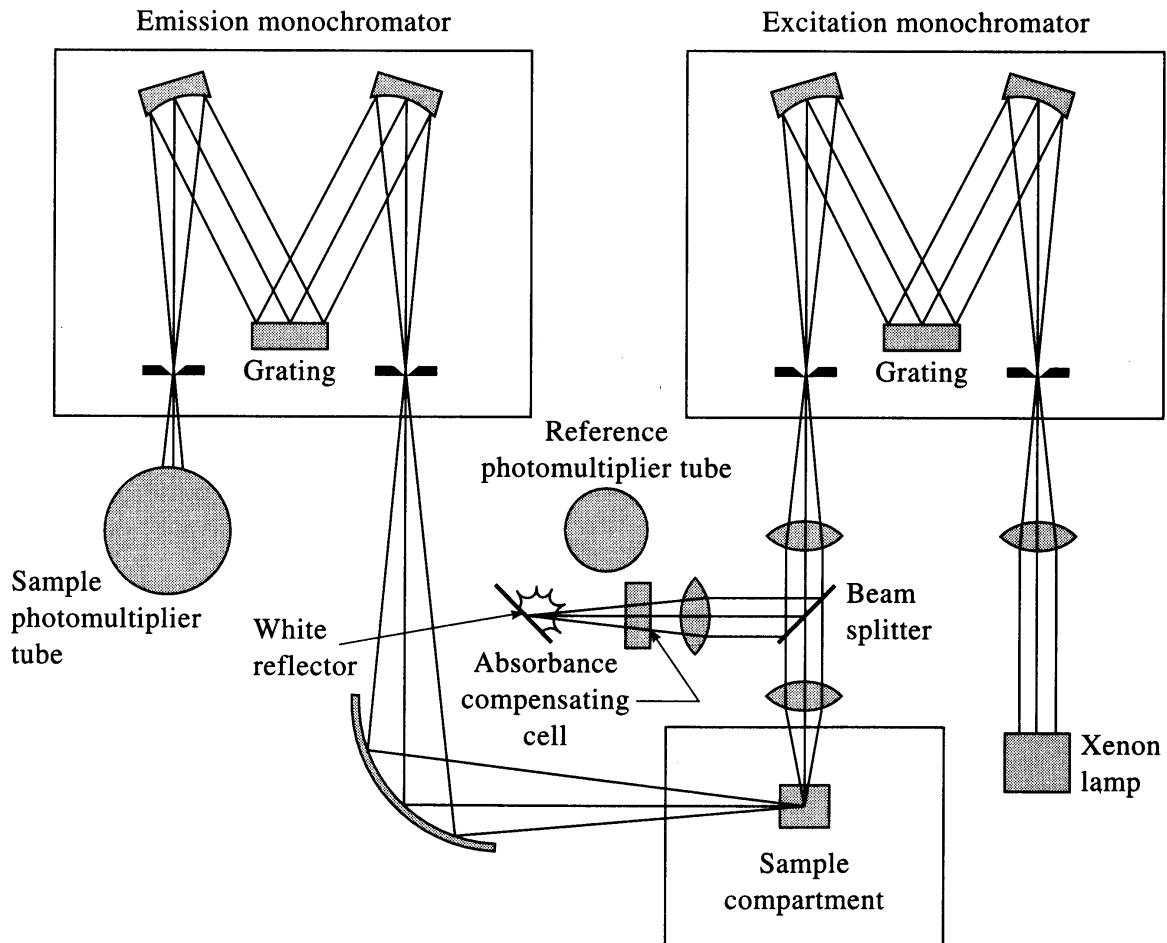
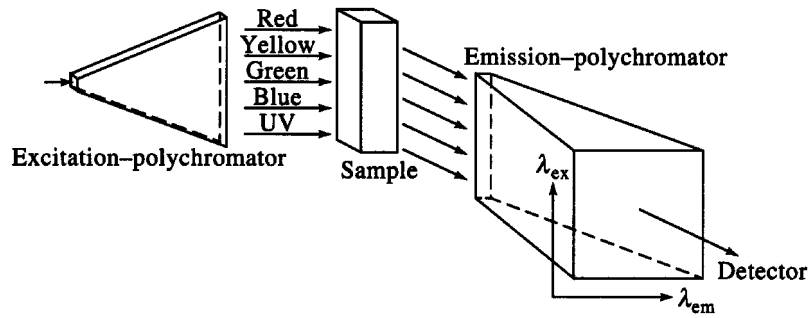
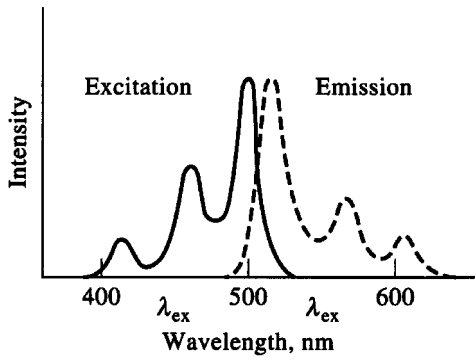


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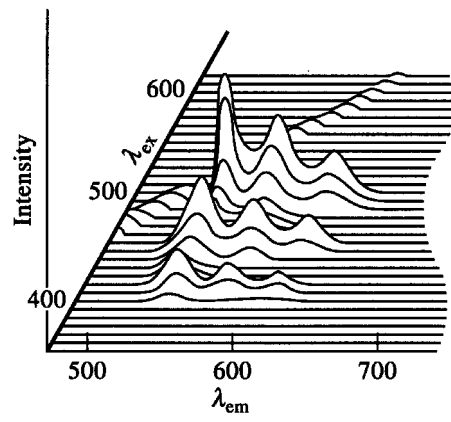
Total Luminescence Measurements:



(a)



(b)

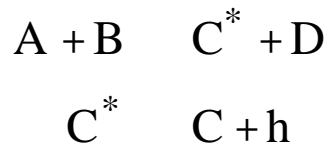


(c)

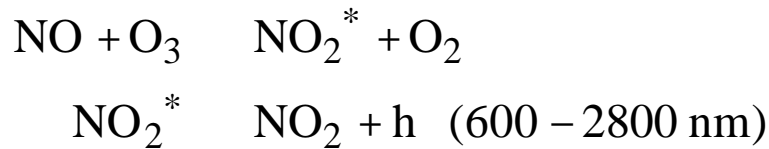
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Chemiluminescence: (see www article)

Reaction produces molecule in electronically excited state



Example:



Used to detect NO from 1 ppb to 10 ppt

Intensity depends on **rate** of reaction of production of C*

$$I_{\text{CL}} = \kappa_{\text{CL}} \frac{d[\text{C}^*]}{dt}$$

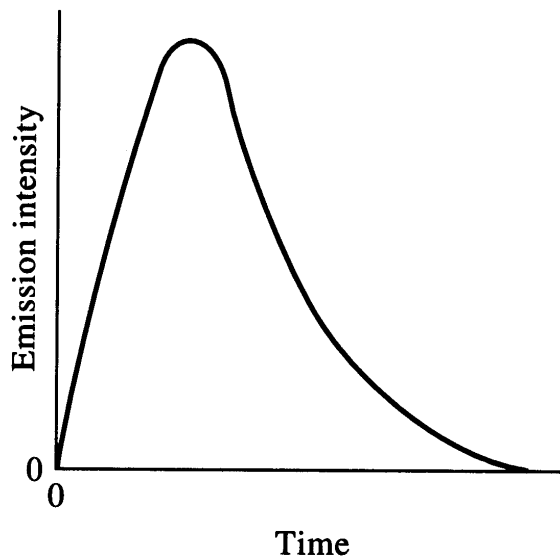


Fig. 15-11

Advantages: (i) simple instrumentation (no excitation h ν) (ii) high sensitivity (ppm to <ppb)

Disadvantages: (i) few reactions