

Electronic Excitation Energy Transfer

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Förster Energy Transfer



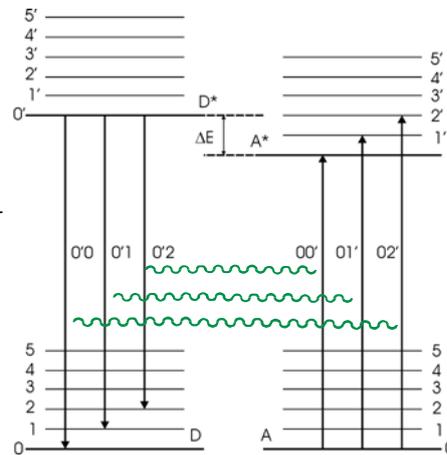
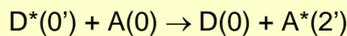
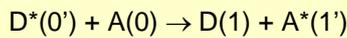
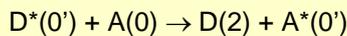
In order for excitation energy transfer to occur between an electronically excited molecule D^* and an acceptor A some interaction between D^* and A is required.

EnT can take place if A possesses transitions which are isoenergetic with transitions of D^* .

Model:

The energy separations between 2 vibrational states $v, v+1$ and $v', v'+1$ of D^* and of A are the same and ΔE is twice this separation.

The following resonance energy transfer processes, RET, can take place:



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RET can result from different interaction mechanisms.

Ψ_i : Electronic wave function for the initial excited state (D excited but not A)

Ψ_f : Electronic wave function for the final excited state (A excited but not D)

$$\Psi_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Psi_{D^*}(1)\Psi_A(2) - \Psi_{D^*}(2)\Psi_A(1))$$

$$\Psi_f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Psi_D(1)\Psi_{A^*}(2) - \Psi_D(2)\Psi_{A^*}(1))$$

Interaction H' between the initial and the final state:

$$\beta = \langle \Psi_i | H' | \Psi_f \rangle$$

$$\beta = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Psi_{D^*}(1)\Psi_A(2) - \Psi_{D^*}(2)\Psi_A(1)) \left| H' \right| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Psi_D(1)\Psi_{A^*}(2) - \Psi_D(2)\Psi_{A^*}(1)) \right\rangle$$

$$\langle \Psi_{D^*}(1)\Psi_A(2) | H' | \Psi_D(1)\Psi_{A^*}(2) \rangle = \beta_C$$

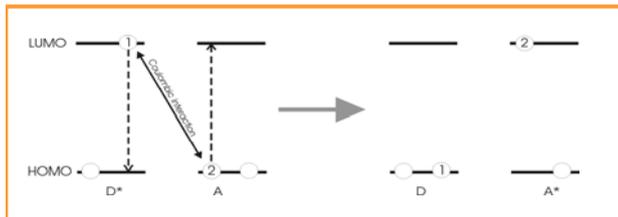
$$\langle \Psi_{D^*}(1)\Psi_A(2) | H' | \Psi_D(2)\Psi_{A^*}(1) \rangle = \beta_{ex}$$

$$\beta = \beta_C - \beta_{ex}$$

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The Coulomb and the exchange interactions lead to two different EnT mechanisms

The Coulomb interaction β_C describes a situation in which the initially excited electron on D returns to the ground state, while an electron on A is simultaneously promoted to the excited state.



β_C

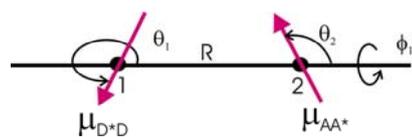
The exchange interaction β_{ex} describes a situation which can be understood as an exchange of two electrons on D^* and A.



β_{ex}

The wave functions of D and A must overlap for $\beta_{ex} \neq 0$; short range interaction. ⁵

The **Coulomb term** can be expanded into a sum of terms (multipole-multipole exp.



First dominant term: dipole-dipole interaction between the transition dipole moments μ_D and μ_A for the transitions $D^* \rightarrow D$ and $A \rightarrow A^*$

Therefore the perturbation H'_C can be expressed as:

$$H'_C = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \frac{1}{R_{DA}^3} I_{D^*} I_A \kappa_{D^*A}$$

$$\kappa_{D^*A} = (\sin\theta_1 \sin\theta_2 \cos\phi_{12} - 2\cos\theta_1 \cos\theta_2)$$

See: Dipole-dipole interaction and the orientation factor κ .

1 Weak interaction between donor and acceptor molecules

In order for EnT to occur some interaction between D* and A is needed.

Strong interaction: the electronic spectra of a mixture of donors and acceptors are different from those of their diluted solutions.

Weak interaction: the electronic spectrum of a mixture of donors and acceptors is a superposition of the spectra of the diluted solutions.

Medium and exciton theory

strong interaction: molecular orbital theory

Weak interaction: we follow the arguments given by Th. Förster *Annalen der Physik*, 6. (2), (1948) 55-75.

To calculate the rate constant k_{EnT} of EnT between an D* and A, we must calculate the product $(\beta_{D^*A})^2 \rho_{(D^*A, DA^*)}$, according to **Fermi's golden rule**.

$$k_{EnT} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \beta_{D^*A}^2 \rho_{(D^*A, DA^*)}$$

Only the Coulomb term plays a role for weak interactions. The exchange term requires orbital overlap between the D* and A, which causes larger interaction.

$$\beta_{D^*A} = \beta_C = \langle \Psi_i | H'_C | \Psi_f \rangle$$

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$$\Psi_i = \Psi_{D^*} \Psi_A \quad H'_C = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \frac{\kappa_{D^*A}}{R_{DA}^3} l_D l_A \quad \Psi_f = \Psi_D \Psi_{A^*}$$

l_D and l_A = coordinates of the electrons belonging to D and A

$$\beta_{D^*A} = \langle \Psi_i | H'_C | \Psi_f \rangle$$

$$\beta_{D^*A} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \frac{\kappa_{D^*A}}{R_{DA}^3} \langle \Psi_{D^*} | e l_D | \Psi_D \rangle \langle \Psi_A | e l_A | \Psi_{A^*} \rangle$$

electronic transition moments

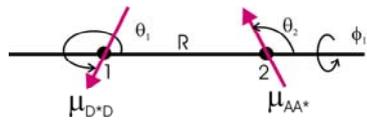
$$\mu_{D^*D}$$

$$\mu_{AA^*}$$

$$\beta_{D^*A} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \frac{\kappa_{D^*A}}{R_{DA}^3} |\mu_{D^*D}| |\mu_{AA^*}|$$

$$k_{EnT} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \beta_{D^*A}^2 \rho_{(D^*A, DA^*)}$$

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$$\beta_{D^*A} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \frac{\kappa_{D^*A}}{R_{DA}^3} \|\mu_{D^*D}\| \|\mu_{AA^*}\|$$

This equation not only forms a basis for describing the rate of electronic ET.

It also gives information about the influence of this interaction on the electronic states of D^* and A .

Before continuing we therefore shortly discuss **J- and H-aggregates**, which are observed if the interaction is sufficiently strong.

This is necessary to make clear under what conditions arguments given later have a chance to be valid.

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2 J-aggregates and H-aggregates (Scheibe 1932)

Pair of molecules A_i and A_k at a distance R .

R is so large that the interaction in the electronic ground state is negligibly small.

Electronically excited states: $A_i^* \dots A_k$ resp. $A_i \dots A_k^*$

Negligible overlap of the wave functions between (A_i^* and A_k) and (A_i and A_k^*).

This does not necessarily mean that the interaction between the electronically excited states $A_i^* \dots A_k$ and $A_i \dots A_k^*$ is so weak that the splitting of these states is negligible.

Ground state: $\Psi_{A_i A_k} = \Psi_{A_i} \Psi_{A_k}$ Energy E_0

Excited state: $\Psi_{A_i A_k^*} = \Psi_{A_i} \Psi_{A_k^*}$ Energy E_1

Excited state: $\Psi_{A_i^* A_k} = \Psi_{A_i^*} \Psi_{A_k}$ Energy E_1

H'_c caused by the electronic transition dipole moments.

The excited state is described by a linear combination of $\Psi_{A_i A_k^*}$ and $\Psi_{A_i^* A_k}$

$$\Phi(c_1, c_2) = c_1 \Psi_{A_i^* A_k} + c_2 \Psi_{A_i A_k^*}$$

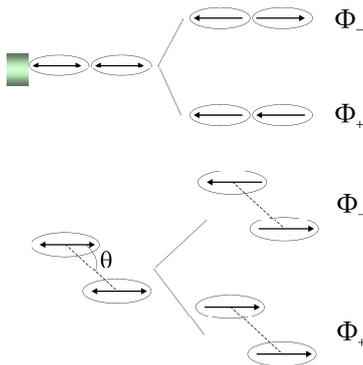
$$\langle \Phi(c_1, c_2) | H | \Phi(c_1, c_2) \rangle = \epsilon \langle \Phi(c_1, c_2) | \Phi(c_1, c_2) \rangle \quad \langle \Psi_{A_i^* A_k} | \Psi_{A_i A_k^*} \rangle = 0$$

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$$\Phi(c_1, c_2) = c_1 \Psi_{A_i A_k} + c_2 \Psi_{A_i A_k^*}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} h_{11} - \varepsilon & h_{12} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} - \varepsilon \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad \begin{matrix} \varepsilon_+ = E_1 + \beta_C \\ \varepsilon_- = E_1 - \beta_C \end{matrix}$$

$$\beta_C = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \frac{\kappa_{A^*A}}{R_{DA}^3} |\mu_{AA^*}|^2$$



The excitation is collective or delocalized.

$$\Phi_+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Psi_{A_i A_k} + \Psi_{A_i A_k^*}) \quad \text{symmetric}$$

$$\Phi_- = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Psi_{A_i A_k} - \Psi_{A_i A_k^*}) \quad \text{antisymmetric}$$

In both stationary states Φ_+ and Φ_- the excitation is on both molecules i and k .

Phase relation of the wave functions which describe the interaction between $A_i^* \dots A_k$ and $A_i \dots A_k^*$ caused by μ_{AA^*} ($\kappa = \pm 2$).

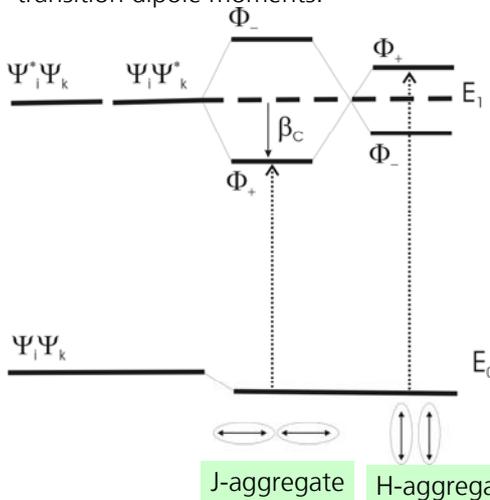
The node corresponding to the minus sign in Φ_- is an excitation node (not an electron orbital node).

At an excitation node, the phase relation between the transition moments of the respective molecular centres change phase.

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$$\begin{vmatrix} h_{11} - \varepsilon & h_{12} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} - \varepsilon \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad \begin{matrix} \varepsilon_+ = E_1 + \beta_C \\ \varepsilon_- = E_1 - \beta_C \end{matrix}$$

Exciton splitting caused by the interaction of the configurations due to the electronic transition dipole moments.



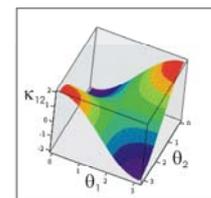
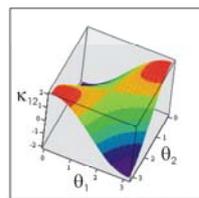
$$\Phi_+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Psi_{A_i A_k} + \Psi_{A_i A_k^*})$$

$$\Phi_- = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Psi_{A_i A_k} - \Psi_{A_i A_k^*})$$

In both stationary states Φ_+ and Φ_- the excitation is on both molecules.

β_C depends on the relative orientation of the transition dipole moments described by κ_{A^*A} .

$$\kappa_{A^*A} = (\sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \cos \phi_{12} - 2 \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2)$$

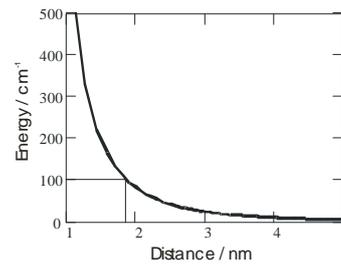


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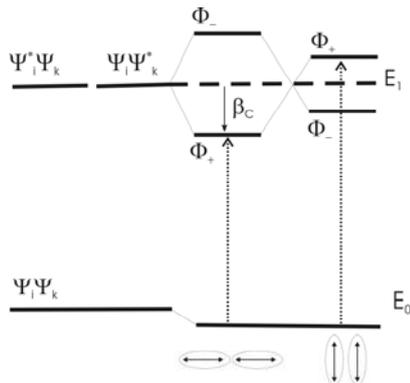
Magnitude of the splitting ($\phi_{12} = 0$ and $\theta_1 = \theta_2$)

$$\beta_C = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \frac{|\mu_{AA^*}|^2}{R_{DA}^3} (1 - 3\cos^2(\theta))$$

$$f = \frac{8\pi c m_e}{3h e^2} \bar{\nu} |\mu_{AA^*}|^2$$



Selection rules for the transition moment: $(A_1 \dots A_k) \rightarrow [(A_1^* \dots A_k^*) \leftrightarrow (A_1 \dots A_k^*)]$:



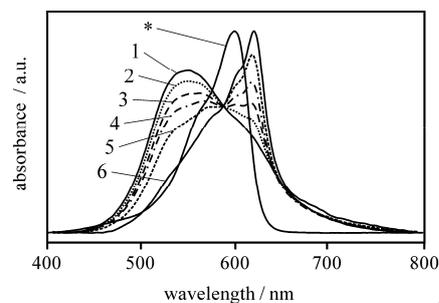
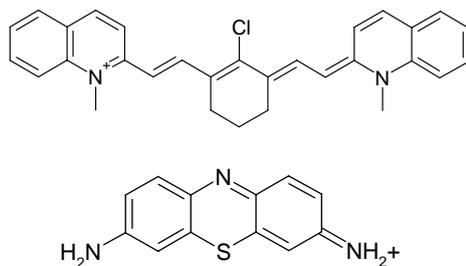
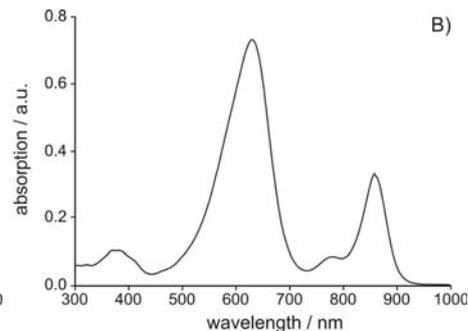
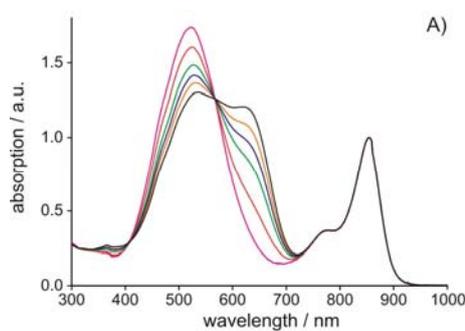
$$M_+ = \langle \Psi_i \Psi_k | \hat{\mu}_i + \hat{\mu}_k | \Phi_+ \rangle$$

$$M_- = \langle \Psi_i \Psi_k | \hat{\mu}_i + \hat{\mu}_k | \Phi_- \rangle$$

$$M_- = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\mu_{A_1^* A_k} - \mu_{A_1 A_k^*})$$

$$M_+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\mu_{A_1^* A_k} + \mu_{A_1 A_k^*})$$

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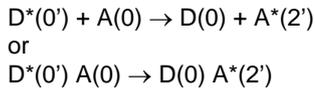
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3 EnT between weakly interacting donor and acceptor molecules

$$\beta_{D^*A} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \frac{\kappa_{D^*A}}{R_{DA}^3} |\mu_{D^*D}| |\mu_{AA^*}|$$

$$k_{EnT} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \beta^2 \rho_{(D^*A, DA^*)}$$

EnT rate constant between 2 levels which are in resonance.

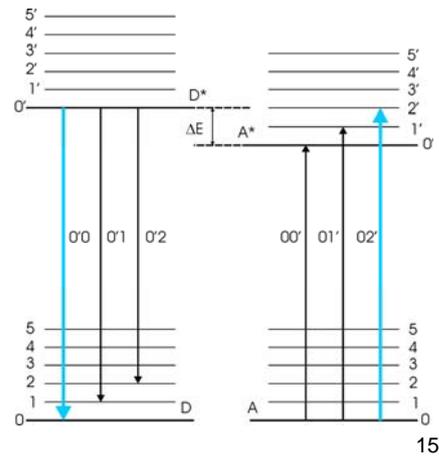


$$k_{EnT}(0',0;0,2') = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \beta_{D^*A}^2 \rho(0',0;0,2')$$

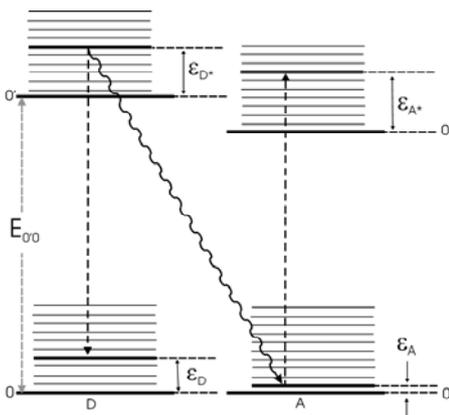
To find all transitions $D^*A \rightarrow D A^*$
we must sum over all states
which are in resonance.

States of the donor: (d', δ)
States of the acceptor: (α, a')

$$k_{EnT}(d', \delta; \alpha, a') = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \beta_{D^*A}^2 \rho(d', \delta; \alpha, a')$$



Since EnT can be very fast, it is not sufficient to consider only the lowest v-state of D^* .



We must sum over all iso-energetic situations.

$$k_{EnT} = \sum k_{EnT}(d', \delta; \alpha, a')$$

Spectra in condensed phase are usually broadened due to solute solvent interactions and lattice vibrations.

The initial (i) and the final (f) levels of $D^* \dots A$ and $D \dots A^*$ are not well defined.

We may therefore express the density of states ρ_E within on a continuous energy range.

Normalized functions $S_D(E_{D^*})$ and $S_A(E_A)$.

$S_D(E_{D^*})$ = probability that (isolated) D^* emits photons of energy E_{D^*} . $\int_{E_\gamma} S_\gamma(E_\gamma) dE_\gamma = 1$

$S_A(E_A)$ = probability that A absorbs photons of energy E_A .

$S_D(E_{D^*})$ and $S_A(E_A)$ reflect the shape of the luminescence spectrum of D^* and of the absorption spectrum of A, respectively.

Resonance condition:

$$E_{D^*} = E_{0^D}^D + \varepsilon_{D^*} - \varepsilon_D \quad E_{res} = \int E_{D^*} \delta(E_{D^*} - E_A) dE_{D^*}$$

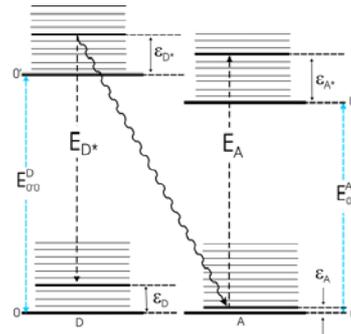
$$E_A = E_{0^A}^A + \varepsilon_{A^*} - \varepsilon_A$$

Rate constant for $D^* + A \rightarrow D + A^*$ EnT:

$$k_{EnT} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \int \int \beta_{D^*A}^2 S_D(E_{D^*}) S_A(E_A) \delta(E_{D^*} - E_A) dE_{D^*} dE_A$$

Inserting β_{D^*A} :

$$k_{EnT} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \left(\frac{\kappa'_{D^*A}}{R_{DA}^3} \right)^2 \iint_{E_{D^*}, E_A} |\mu_{D^*D}|^2 S_D(E_{D^*}) |\mu_{AA^*}|^2 S_A(E_A) \delta(E_{D^*} - E_A) dE_{D^*} dE_A$$



Evaluation of this integral on a purely theoretical basis is often not possible.

Instead of integrating over E we integrate over the frequency ν .

$$k_{EnT} = \frac{1}{\hbar^2} \left(\frac{\kappa'_{D^*A}}{R_{DA}^3} \right)^2 \iint_{\nu_{D^*}, \nu_A} |\mu_{D^*D}|^2 S_D(\nu_{D^*}) |\mu_{AA^*}|^2 S_A(\nu_A) \delta(\nu_{D^*} - \nu_A) d\nu_{D^*} d\nu_A$$

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Connection between electronic transition moments and the Einstein coefficients

$$k_{EnT} = \frac{1}{\hbar^2} \left(\frac{1}{R_{DA}^3} \frac{\kappa'_{D^*A}}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 n^2} \right)^2 \iint_{\nu_{D^*}, \nu_A} |\mu_{D^*D}|^2 S_D(\nu_{D^*}) |\mu_{AA^*}|^2 S_A(\nu_A) \delta(\nu_{D^*} - \nu_A) d\nu_{D^*} d\nu_A$$

Some lengthy calculations result in:

$$(\mu_{D^*D})^2 = \frac{c_0^3}{\nu_{D^*}^3} \frac{3\hbar}{32\pi^3} \frac{4\pi\varepsilon_0}{n} \frac{1}{\tau_{D^*}^0} \quad (\mu_{AA^*})^2 S_A(\nu_A) = \frac{3\hbar}{4\pi^2} 4\pi\varepsilon_0 n c_0 \frac{10^3 \ln(10)}{N_L} \frac{\varepsilon_A(\nu_A)}{\nu_A}$$

Inserting this and keeping in mind that:

$$\int_{\nu_{D^*}} \nu_{D^*} \delta(\nu_{D^*} - \nu_A) d\nu_{D^*} = \nu_A \quad \nu = \bar{\nu} c_0$$

$$k_{EnT} = \frac{9000 \ln(10)}{128\pi^5 N_L} \frac{\kappa_{D^*A}^2}{n^4 R_{DA}^6} \frac{\phi_{D^*}}{\tau_{D^*}} \int S_D(\bar{\nu}) \frac{\varepsilon_A(\bar{\nu})}{\bar{\nu}^4} d\bar{\nu}$$

$$J_{\bar{\nu} D^* A} = \int S_D(\bar{\nu}) \frac{\varepsilon_A(\bar{\nu})}{\bar{\nu}^4} d\bar{\nu}$$

$$k_{EnT} = \frac{9000 \ln(10)}{128\pi^5 N_L} \frac{\kappa_{D^*A}^2}{n^4 R_{DA}^6} \frac{\phi_{D^*}}{\tau_{D^*}} J_{\bar{\nu} D^* A}$$

Spectral overlap integral

$$[J] = [\text{cm}^3 \text{M}^{-1}], k_{EnT} = \text{ns}^{-1}$$

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4 Förster energy transfer radius R_0

Luminescence rate of D^* :
$$\frac{d\rho_{D^*}}{dt} = -\frac{1}{\tau_{D^*}} \rho_{D^*}$$

Energy transfer rate:
$$\frac{d\rho_{D^*}}{dt} = -k_{EnT} \rho_{D^*}$$

At a specific $D^* \dots A$ distance, the rate at which D^* emits light is equal to the rate at which it transfers its excitation energy A. At this distance R_0 we can write:

$$\frac{1}{\tau_{D^*}} = k_{EnT} \quad \text{Inserting } k_{EnT} \text{ and solving for } R_0: \quad R_0^6 = \frac{9000 \ln(10)}{128\pi^5 N_L} \frac{\kappa_{D^*A}^2}{n^4} \phi_{D^*} J_{\nu D^*A}$$

From this we find the Förster radius R_0 for electronic excitation energy transfer.

$$R_0 = \sqrt[6]{\frac{9000 \ln(10)}{128\pi^5 N_L} \frac{\kappa_{D^*A}^2}{n^4} \phi_{D^*} J_{\nu D^*A}}$$

R_0 is equal to the donor- acceptor distance at which the probability for energy transfer is equal to 0.5.

Distance dependence of the energy transfer rate constant:
$$k_{EnT} = \frac{1}{\tau_{D^*}} \left(\frac{R_0}{R} \right)^6$$

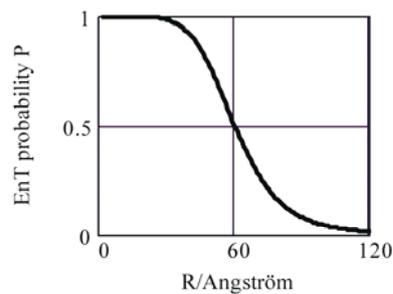
Luminescence rate of D^* :
$$\left(\frac{d\rho}{dt} \right)_{\text{fluorescence of } D^*} = -\frac{1}{\tau_{D^*}} \rho_{D^*}$$

Energy transfer rate:
$$\left(\frac{d\rho}{dt} \right)_{\text{energy transfer}} = -k_{EnT} \rho_{D^*}$$

Probability P for EnT:
$$P = \frac{\left(\frac{d\rho}{dt} \right)_{\text{energy transfer}}}{\left(\frac{d\rho}{dt} \right)_{\text{fluorescence}} + \left(\frac{d\rho}{dt} \right)_{\text{energy transfer}}} \times \frac{1}{\frac{\left(\frac{d\rho}{dt} \right)_{\text{energy transfer}}}{1}}$$

$$k_{EnT} = \frac{1}{\tau_{D^*}} \left(\frac{R_0}{R} \right)^6$$

$$P = \frac{1}{1 + (R/R_0)^6}$$



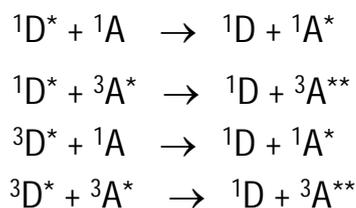
5 Selection rules

There are no strict selection rules for Förster energy transfer. We can, nevertheless, get a good idea by considering the following proportionality:

$$k_{E_{NT}} \propto \frac{1}{\tau_{D^*}} \int S_D(\nu) \frac{\epsilon_A(\nu)}{\nu^4} d\nu$$

This means that the EnT rate constant depends on the extinction coefficient of the acceptor.

If a forbidden transition of the acceptor is involved, the energy transfer rate is small.



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6 Examples for spectral overlap and Förster radius

$$J_{D^*A} = \int S_D(\bar{\nu}) \frac{\epsilon_A(\bar{\nu})}{\bar{\nu}^4} d\bar{\nu}$$

$$R_0 = \left(\frac{9000 \ln(10)}{128 \pi^5 N_A} J_{D^*A} \frac{\phi_{D^*} \kappa^2}{n^4} \right)^{1/6}$$

Examples for dyes in zeolite L:
($n = 1.4$)

$$J_{py,py} = 1.1 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}^3 \text{M}^{-1}$$

$$R_0(\kappa^2=2/3) = 5.1 \text{ nm}$$

$$R_0(\kappa^2=4) = 6.8 \text{ nm}$$

$$J_{ox,ox} = 4.4 \dots \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}^3 \text{M}^{-1}$$

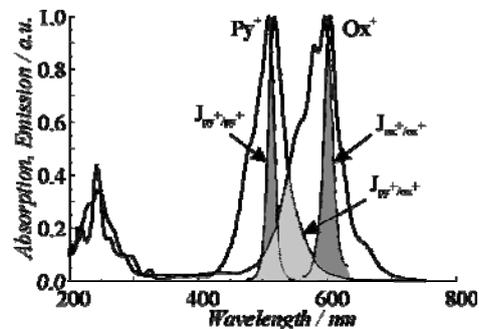
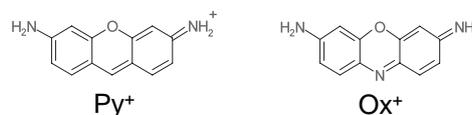
$$R_0(\kappa^2=2/3) = 6.4 \text{ nm}$$

$$R_0(\kappa^2=4) = 8.6 \text{ nm}$$

$$J_{py,ox} = 2.3 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}^3 \text{M}^{-1}$$

$$R_0(\kappa^2=2/3) = 5.7 \text{ nm}$$

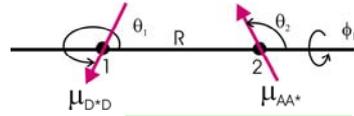
$$R_0(\kappa^2=4) = 7.7 \text{ nm}$$



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$$J_{D^*A} = \int_{\bar{v}} S_D(\bar{v}) \frac{\varepsilon_A(\bar{v})}{\bar{v}^4} d\bar{v}$$

$$R_0 = \sqrt[6]{\frac{9000 \ln(10)}{128 \pi^5 N_L} \frac{\kappa_{D^*A}^2}{n^4} \phi_{D^*} J_{\bar{v}D^*A}}$$



$$k_{EnT} = \frac{1}{\tau_{D^*}} \left(\frac{R_0}{R} \right)^6$$

Dyes	J / cm ³ M ⁻¹	κ ²	R ₀ / Å	τ _{D*} / ns	k _{EnT} / ps ⁻¹	
					R=R ₀	R=1.5nm
Ox ⁺ / Ox ⁺	4.4×10 ⁻¹³	2/3 4	64 86	3.2	3.1×10 ⁻⁴	1.9 11
Py ⁺ / Py ⁺	1.1×10 ⁻¹³	2/3	51 68	3	3.3×10 ⁻⁴	0.5 2.9
Py ⁺ / Ox ⁺	2.3×10 ⁻¹³	4	57 77	3	3.3×10 ⁻⁴	1.0 6.0
Ox1 / Ox1		2/3 4	73 98	3.2	3.1×10 ⁻⁴	4.1 24

= 2.4×10¹³ s⁻¹

Connection between electronic transition moments and the Einstein coefficients:

$$B_{D^*D} = \frac{2\pi}{3\hbar^2} \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{1}{n^2} (\mu_{D^*D})^2$$

$$A_{D^*D} = 8\pi \frac{\hbar\nu_{D^*}^3}{c_0^3} n^3 B_{D^*D}$$

The dimension of B_{DD*} is:

$$[B_{D^*D}] = \frac{1}{(J \cdot s)^2} \frac{1}{J^{-1} C^2 m^{-1}} (C \cdot m)^2 = \frac{m^3}{J \cdot s^2}$$

We check the dimension of A_{D*}:

$$[A_{D^*D}] = \frac{J \cdot s \cdot (s^{-1})^3}{(m \cdot s^{-1})^3} \frac{m^3}{J \cdot s^2} = \frac{1}{s}$$

$$A_{D^*D} = \frac{\nu_{D^*}^3}{c_0^3} \frac{32\pi^3}{3\hbar} \frac{n}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} (\mu_{D^*D})^2$$

$$A_{D^*D} \frac{c_0^3}{\nu_{D^*}^3} \frac{3\hbar}{32\pi^3} \frac{4\pi\varepsilon_0}{n} = (\mu_{D^*D})^2$$

Since $A_{D^*D} = \frac{1}{\tau_{D^*}^0}$ we obtain:

$$(\mu_{D^*D})^2 = \frac{c_0^3}{\nu_{D^*}^3} \frac{3\hbar}{32\pi^3} \frac{4\pi\varepsilon_0}{n} \frac{1}{\tau_{D^*}^0}$$

$$B_{AA^*} = \frac{2\pi}{3\hbar^2} \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{1}{n^2} (\mu_{AA^*})^2$$

$$(\mu_{AA^*})^2 = \frac{3\hbar^2}{2\pi} 4\pi\varepsilon_0 n^2 B_{AA^*}$$

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Connection between electronic transition moments and the Einstein coefficients:

$$B_{AA^*} = \frac{2\pi}{3\hbar^2} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{n^2} (\mu_{AA^*})^2 \quad (\mu_{AA^*})^2 = \frac{3\hbar^2}{2\pi} 4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2 B_{AA^*}$$

We now relate the Einstein coefficient weighted with the shape of the absorption spectrum to the molar extinction coefficient $\epsilon_A(\nu)$ (see Appendix 8.2):

$$B_{AA^*} S_A(\nu_A) = \frac{10^3 \ln(10) c_0}{h N_L} \frac{\epsilon_A(\nu_A)}{n \nu_A} \quad \text{The extinction coefficient } \epsilon_A(\nu) \text{ is usually given in } \text{M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1} = \text{Lmol}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}. \text{ Using this we find:}$$

$$\text{Dimension of the right side} = \frac{1}{\text{J} \cdot \text{s} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}} \text{m} \cdot \text{s}^{-1} \frac{\text{L} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1}}{\text{s}^{-1}} = \frac{1}{\text{J} \cdot \text{s}} \text{m} \cdot 10^{-3} \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{L}} \frac{1}{10^{-2} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{cm}}} = \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{J} \cdot \text{s}} 10^{-1}$$

This is correct since the dimension of $S_A(\nu_A)$ is s:

$$\text{From this we find:} \quad (\mu_{AA^*})^2 S_A(\nu_A) = \frac{3\hbar}{4\pi^2} 4\pi\epsilon_0 n c_0 \frac{10^3 \ln(10) \epsilon_A(\nu_A)}{N_L \nu_A}$$

Note that the factor 10^3 depends on the dimension used for $\epsilon_A(\nu)$.

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