

Examination

“Material Characterisation – Optical Spectroscopy (Prof. Dr. Jüstel)”

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Max. 25 Points

Name, Given name:

Enrolment number:

Please only use these sheets (you might also use the reverse)!

Task 1)

(4 Points)

Basics of Optical Spectroscopy

Sketch the arrangement of the basic components of a spectrometer set-up for the following purposes! Give also for each component an example for a widely applied device! (Each 2 Points)

- a) Luminescence Spectroscopy
- b) Reflection Spectroscopy

Task 2)**(6 Points)****Radiation Sources for Optical Spectroscopy**

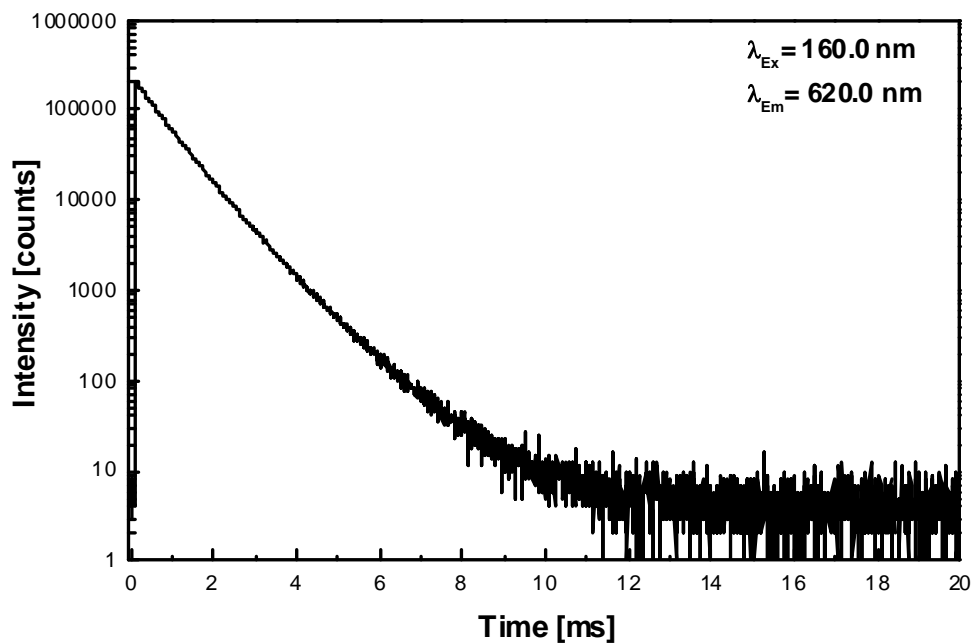
What kind of radiation sources can be used for the following measurement tasks?
Explain your choice! (1 Point each)

- a) Absorption spectrum between 400 and 3000 nm
- b) Emission spectrum between 500 and 800 nm under 450 nm excitation
- c) Excitation spectrum between 250 and 500 nm
- d) Excitation spectrum between 100 and 300 nm
- e) Decay curve under 395 nm excitation
- f) Decay curve under 172 nm excitation

Task 3)**(5 Points)****Time resolved spectroscopy**

a) Describe the procedure to record a decay curve of an arbitrary luminescent material! (2 Points)

b) The figure below displays the decay curve of $\text{YVO}_4:\text{Eu}^{3+}$, which is applied in high-pressure Hg discharge lamps and plasma displays. Please determine the decay constants $\tau_{1/e}$ and $\tau_{1/10}$ from the following graph! (1 Point)



c) Please name a potential cause for the deviation of the curve from linearity for the above given $\log(\text{Intensity})$ over time t plot about 5 ms after the excitation source has been switched off! (1 Point)

d) Select a function for the fitting of the decay curve shown above and explain your choice! (1 Point)

$$I(t) = A_0 - B_1 \cdot t/\tau_1$$

$$I(t) = A_0 + B_1 \cdot \exp(-t/\tau_1)$$

$$I(t) = A_0 + B_1 \cdot \exp(-t/\tau_1) + B_2 \cdot \exp(-t/\tau_2)$$

Task 4)

(5 Points)

Temperature resolved spectroscopy - Thermoluminescence

a) Describe the procedure to record a glow curve of an arbitrary luminescent material! (3 Points)

b) Which information can be derived from a glow curve? (2 Points)

Task 5)**(5 Points)****Temperature resolved spectroscopy - Thermal quenching**

a) Describe the way to record a thermal quenching curve and to fit the experimental data by the so-called Struck-Fonger equation! (3 Points)

$$I(T) = A_0 + I_0 / (1 + B \exp(-\Delta E/kT)) \quad \text{„Struck-Fonger-Equation“}$$

b) Draw the shape of a typical thermal quenching curve in a respective emission intensity-temperature diagram and assign the $T_{1/2}$ value in the plot! (2 Points)