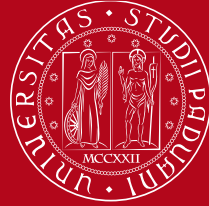


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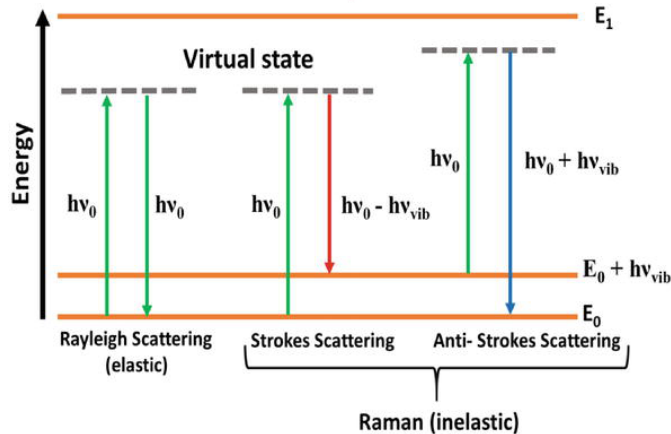
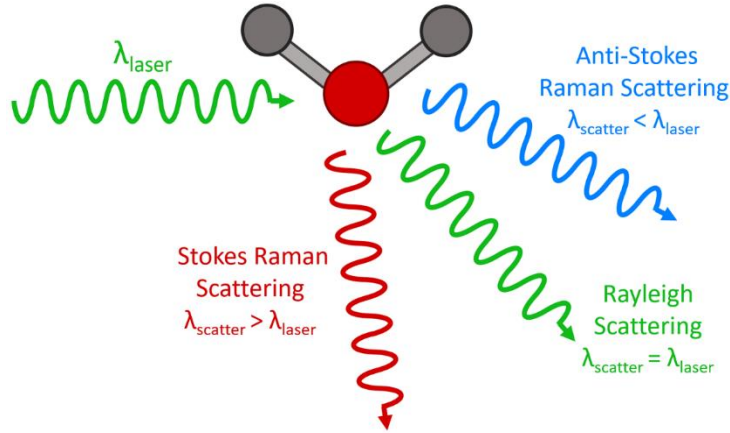
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Research topic previously
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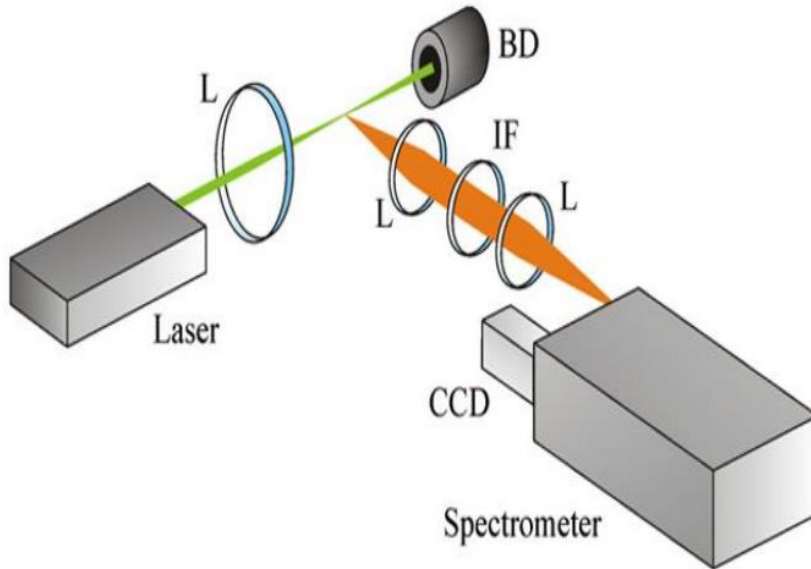




Analytical technique where scattered light is used to analyze a sample:

Rayleigh scattering: elastic scattering
Raman scattering: inelastic scattering
- Stokes and Anti-Stokes components

Substances have their own Raman 'fingerprint' that allows them to be identified



The laser beam is focused on the sample through a lens (F)

The scattered radiation is collected orthogonally to the laser beam.

The Rayleigh component is filtered by an interferometric filter (IF).

The spectrum of the filtered signal is dispersed by the spectrometer and recorded by an image sensor.

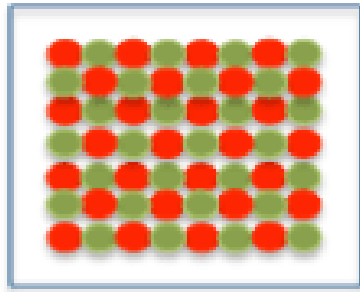
Raman emission is proportional to:

- Intensity of incident radiation (laser pump)
- $1 / \lambda ^ 4$ (wavelength of the laser pump)
- Intrinsic properties of the molecule (cross section)
- Concentration of molecules (density of the material)

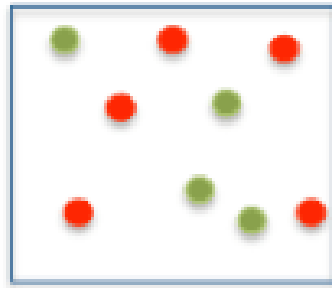


In order to perform an accurate analysis of combustion processes (very fast transient phenomena), the requirements are:

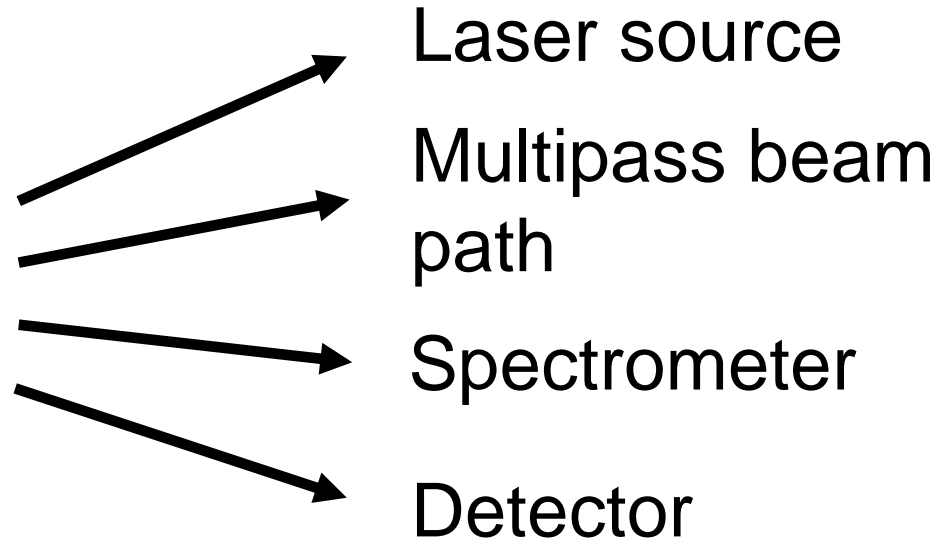
- Fast response
- High sensitivity
- Ability to perform analysis in harsh environment
- Multispecies gas detection

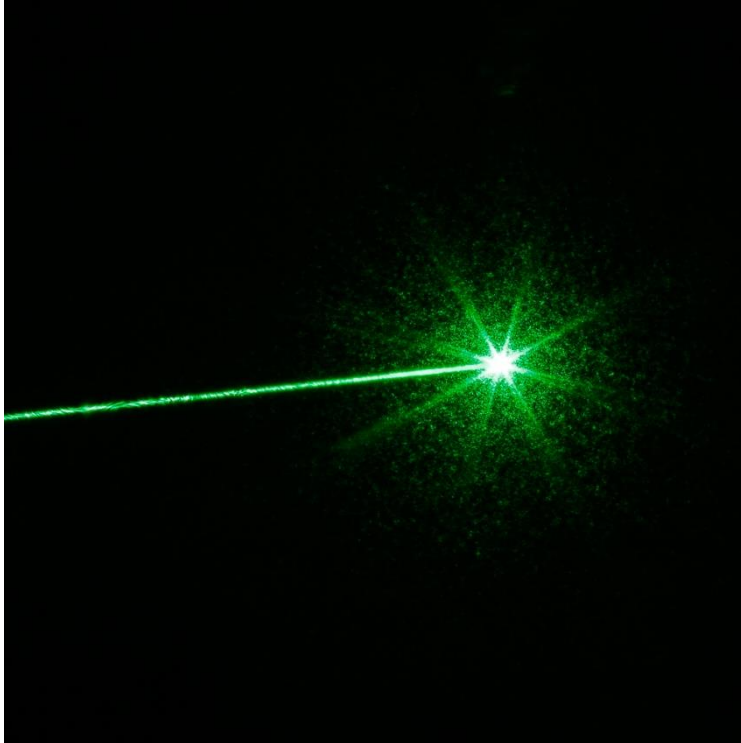


High Density



Low Density

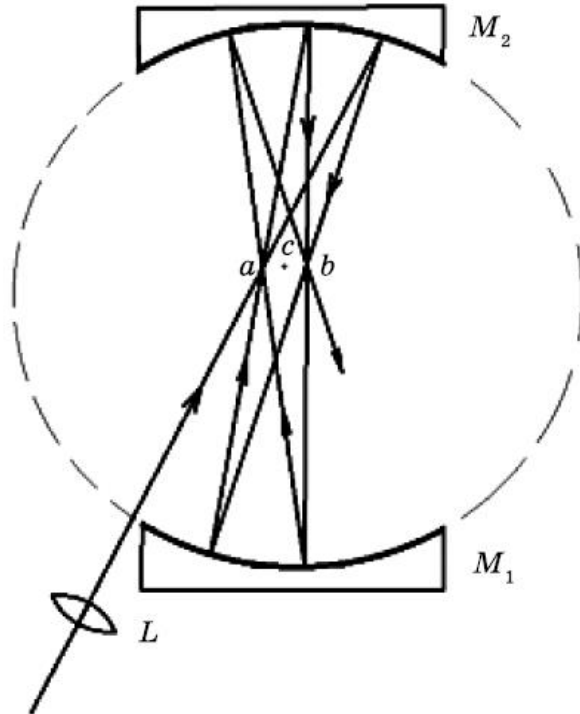




Increasing the Laser power allows us to have a stronger Raman scattering effect.

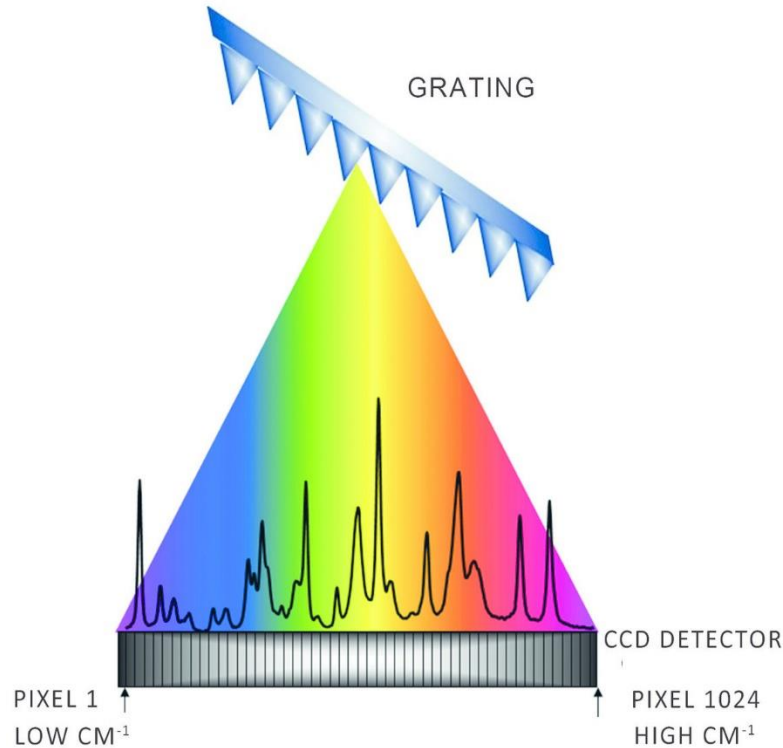
On the other hand:

- Increases the energy demand
- Increases the stress on the optics
- Safety problems



With a multipass laser path we can improve the Raman performance by reflection of the beam.

This solution acts only on the geometrical path of the beam and does not increase the energetical demand.



Transmission grating

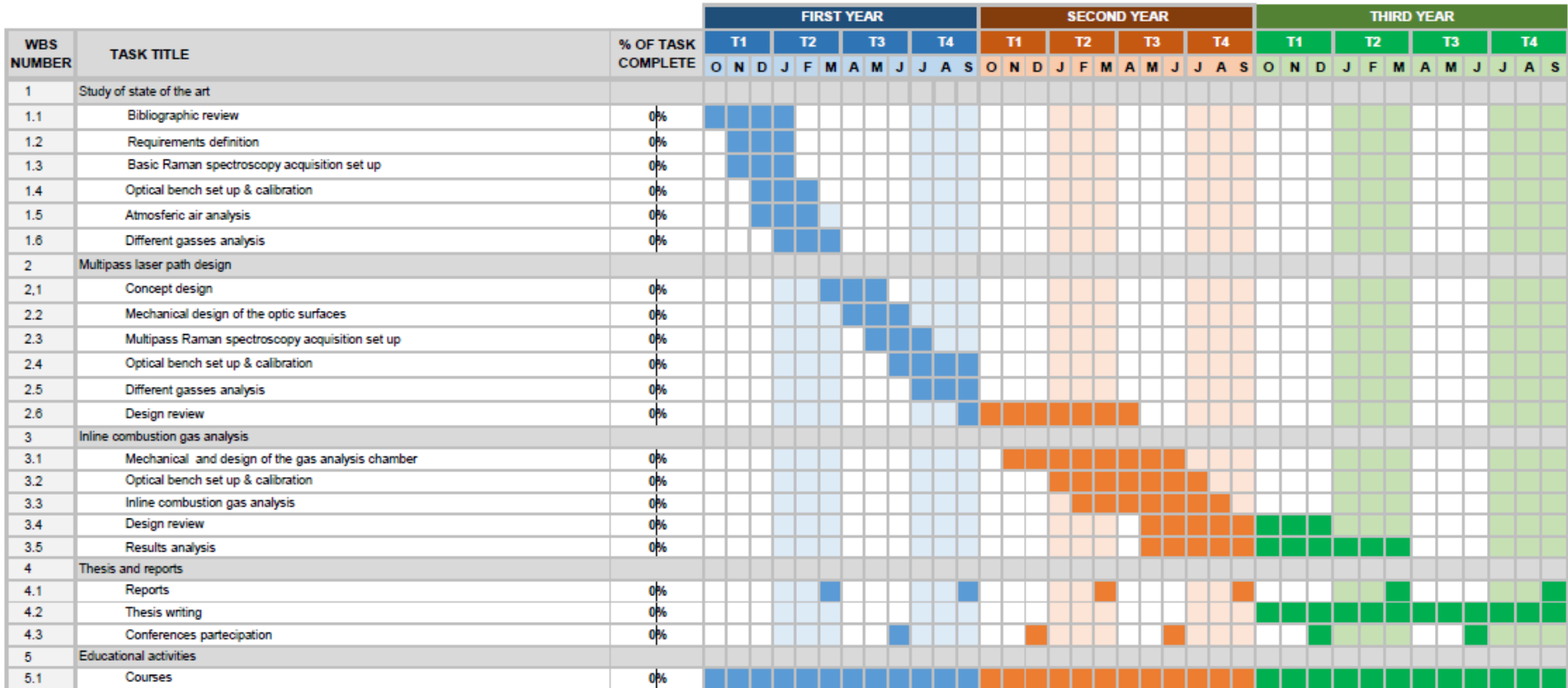
- Use of high performance grating

Cooled CCD detectors:

- Reduced noise

Intensified detectors:

- Signal amplification
- Microchannel plate (MCP) and CMOS detector



Thanks for the attention

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