

Photophysics Basic

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- **Expressions of Intensity:**
- **Quantities based on radiometric system (not photometric system)**
- **Basic unit is joule and other SI units (sometimes non-Si units for convenience)**
- **Often definitions include area, volume or solid angle**
- **Spectral quantities – B_{λ}**

- **Partial quantities – $B_{\lambda_1-\lambda_2} = \int_{\lambda_1}^{\lambda_2} B_{\lambda} d\lambda$**

- **Total quantities - $B = \int_0^{\infty} B_{\lambda} d\lambda$**

TABLE 2-1

Radiometric system

Quantity	Symbol(s)	Description	Defining equation ^a	Unit(s)
General				
Radiant energy	Q	Energy in the form of radiation		J (ergs)
(Radiant) energy density	U	Radiant energy per unit volume	$U = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial V}$	J cm^{-3}
Radiant flux or radiant power	$\Phi(P)$	Rate of transfer of radiant energy	$\Phi = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t}$	W
Source				
Radiant intensity	I	Radiant power per unit solid angle from a point source	$I = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \Omega}$	W sr^{-1}
(Radiant) emittance or (radiant) exitance	M	Radiant power per unit area	$M = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial A}$	W cm^{-2}
(Radiant) emissivity	J	Radiant power per unit solid angle per unit volume	$J = \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial \Omega \partial V}$	$\text{W sr}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-3}$
Radiance	$B(L)$	Radiant power per unit solid angle per unit projected area	$B = \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial \Omega \partial A_p} = \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial \Omega \partial A \cos \theta}$	$\text{W sr}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2}$
Receiver				
Irradiance	E	Radiant power per unit area	$E = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial A}$	W cm^{-2}
(Radiant) exposure	H	Integrated irradiance	$H = \int_0^t E dt$	J cm^{-2}

- **Radiant flux (F)** : rate of energy transfer : $\text{J}\cdot\text{s}^{-1} = \text{W}$
- **Radiant intensity (I)** : radiant flux from a point source per unit solid angle ($\Phi/4\pi$) -applies to source
 $\text{J}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}\cdot\text{sr}^{-1}$
- **Radiance (B)** :radiant intensity (I) per projected area* ($\Phi/4\pi A$) - applies to source
- *depends on angle between detector and radiation propagation direction ; $\text{J}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}\cdot\text{sr}^{-1}\cdot\text{cm}^{-2}$
- **Irradiance (E)** : radiant flux (F) onto/from a surface per unit area (Φ/A) - applies to source or detector :
 $\text{J}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}\cdot\text{cm}^{-2}$
- (radiant) Exposure (H)
- time-integrated irradiance ($\Phi(t)/A\cdot dt$) : $\text{J}\cdot\text{cm}^{-2}$

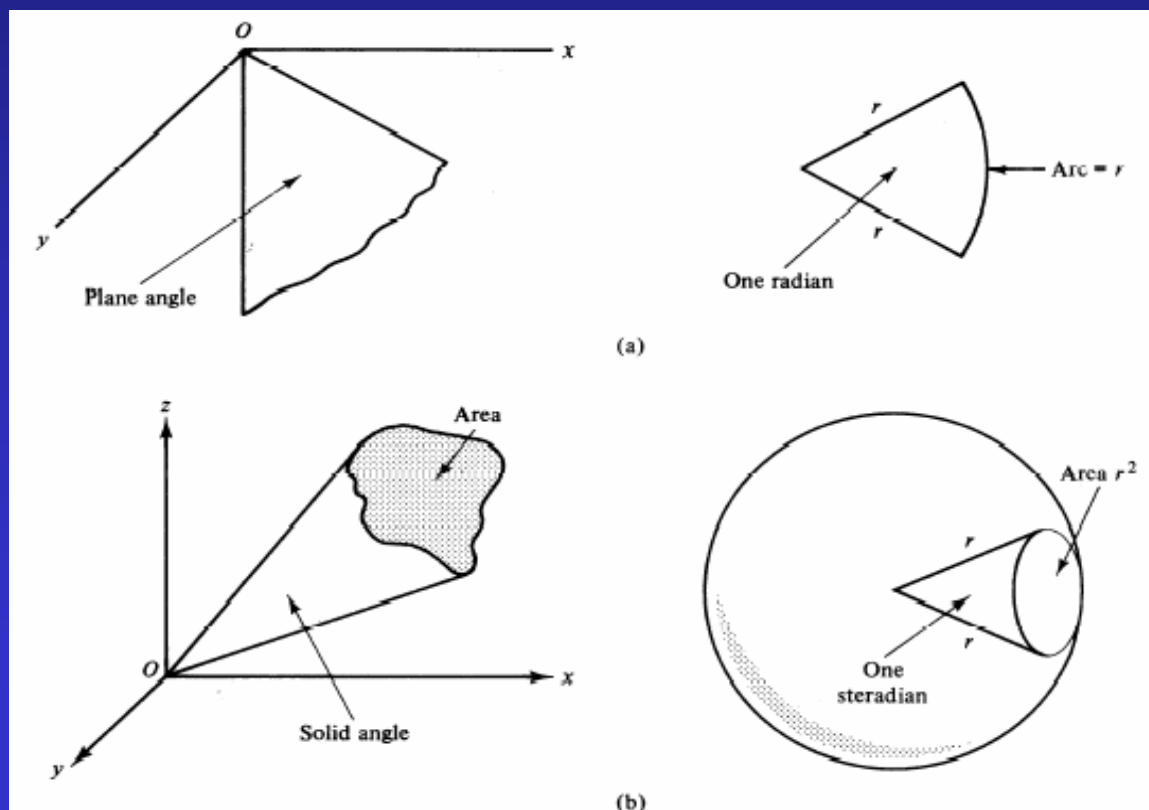
- Often, radiometric quantities include a solid angle or projected area
- **Solid angle** - 1 steradian (sr) is the part of the surface area of a sphere of radius r , having an area of r^2

$$A_{\text{sphere}} = 4 \times \pi \times r^2$$

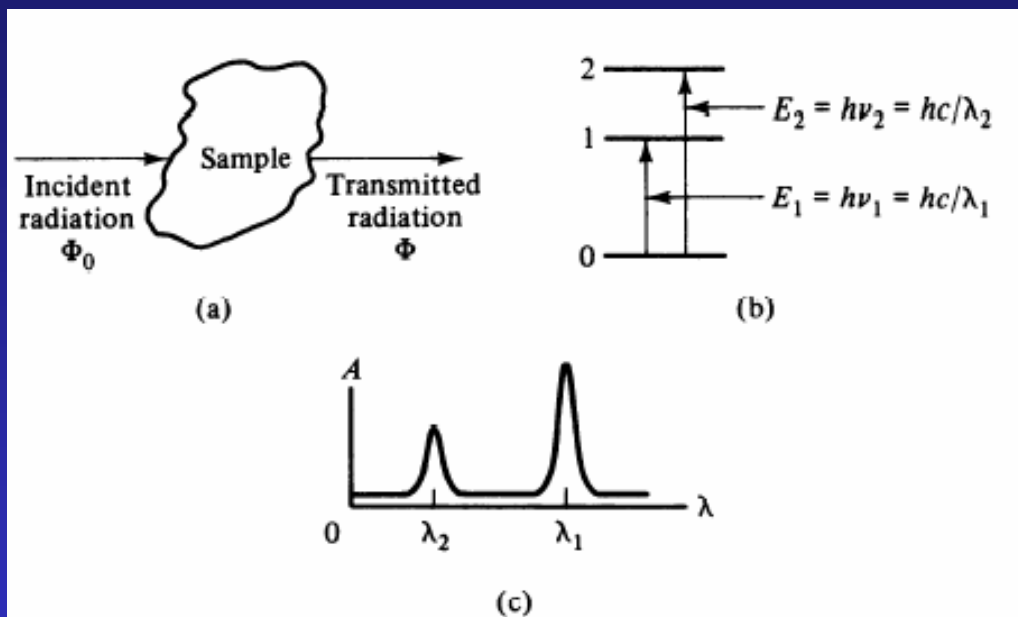
- # steradians in sphere = $(4 \times \pi \times r^2) / r^2 = 4 \times \pi = 12.57$

For example, intensity is the radiant flux per unit solid angle

$$I = \Phi / 4\pi$$



- Absorbance A given by Beers' Law; related to the measured quantities Φ_0 and Φ (radiant flux) by



- $A = -\log T = -\log(\Phi / \Phi_0) = \epsilon \times b \times c$
 - c : concentration (mol·L⁻¹)
 - b : cell pathlength (cm)
 - ϵ : molar absorptivity (L·mol⁻¹·cm⁻¹)
- $\Phi = \Phi_0 \times 10^{-\epsilon \times b \times c}$

Many radiation sources are based on black body radiation:

- perfect absorber of radiation at all λ 's if in thermal equilibrium, must also be perfect radiation emitter

- Two obvious points:

- total amount of energy radiated increases rapidly with T

- $U = a \times T^4$ \Leftarrow Stefan's Law

- Radiant energy density ($J \cdot cm^{-3}$)

- position of the maximum spectral radiance (λ_{max}) blue shifts with increasing T

□ $\lambda_{max} = c_2 / 4.965 \times T$

- where $c_2 = 1.438 \times 10^7 \text{ nm} \cdot \text{K}$

