

Kramers-Kronig relations

In practice it is not necessary to have a complete, independent knowledge of $\varepsilon'(\omega)$ and $\varepsilon''(\omega)$ as a function of frequency. If one is known for all ω the other can be obtained via the following expressions (assuming electrical ω regime):

$$\varepsilon'(\omega) = \varepsilon_{\infty} + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\omega' \varepsilon''(\omega')}{(\omega'^2 - \omega^2)} d\omega'$$

$$\varepsilon''(\omega) = -\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\omega' [\varepsilon'(\omega') - \varepsilon_{\infty}]}{(\omega'^2 - \omega^2)} d\omega'$$

These are the Kramers-Kronig relations.

To demonstrate that this works in the case of the Debye equations consider the application of the expression for $\varepsilon'(\omega)$.

We have that:

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon'(\omega) &= \varepsilon_{\infty} + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\omega' (\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_{\infty}) \omega' \tau}{(1 + \omega'^2 \tau^2)(\omega'^2 - \omega^2)} d\omega' \\ &= \varepsilon_{\infty} + \frac{2(\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_{\infty})\tau}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\omega'^2}{(1 + \omega'^2 \tau^2)(\omega'^2 - \omega^2)} d\omega' \end{aligned}$$

Let $\omega'^2 = x$, $\Rightarrow 2\omega' d\omega' = dx$, $d\omega' = dx/(2x^{1/2})$

$$\therefore \varepsilon'(\omega) = \varepsilon_{\infty} + \frac{2(\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_{\infty})\tau}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{2\tau^2} \cdot \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{1/2}}{(1/\tau^2 + x)(x - \omega^2)} dx$$

[See Tables of integrals, series and products, Gradshteyn & Ryzhik.]

$$= \varepsilon_{\infty} + \frac{2(\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_{\infty})\tau}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{2\tau^2} \cdot \left[\frac{\pi}{\tau} \cdot \frac{1}{(1/\tau^2 + \omega^2)} \right]$$

Therefore, as required

$$\varepsilon'(\omega) = \varepsilon_{\infty} + \frac{(\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_{\infty})}{(1 + \omega^2 \tau^2)}$$