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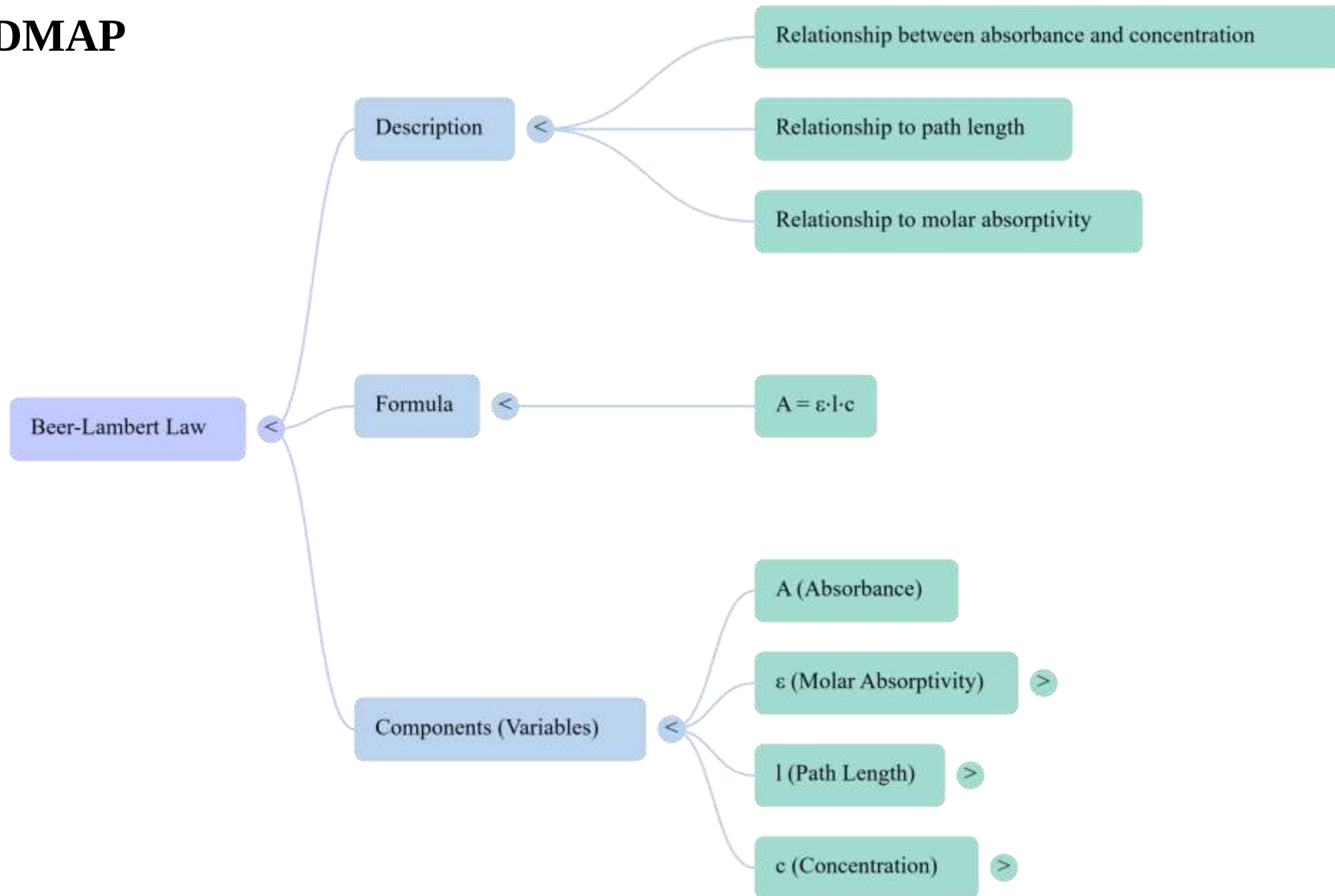
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COURSE NAME: INSTRUMENTAL METHODS OF ANALYSIS (BP 701 T)

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TOPIC 4: Beer's-Lambert's Law

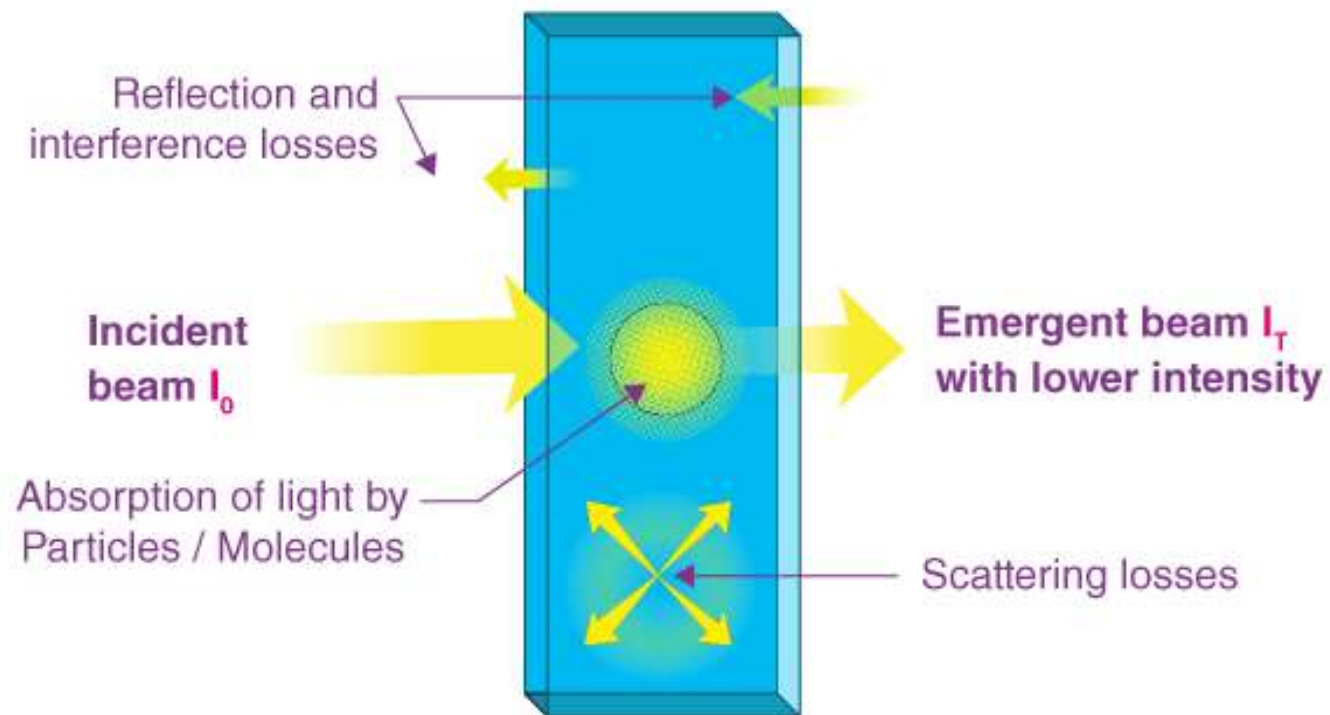
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Laws Governing Light Absorption

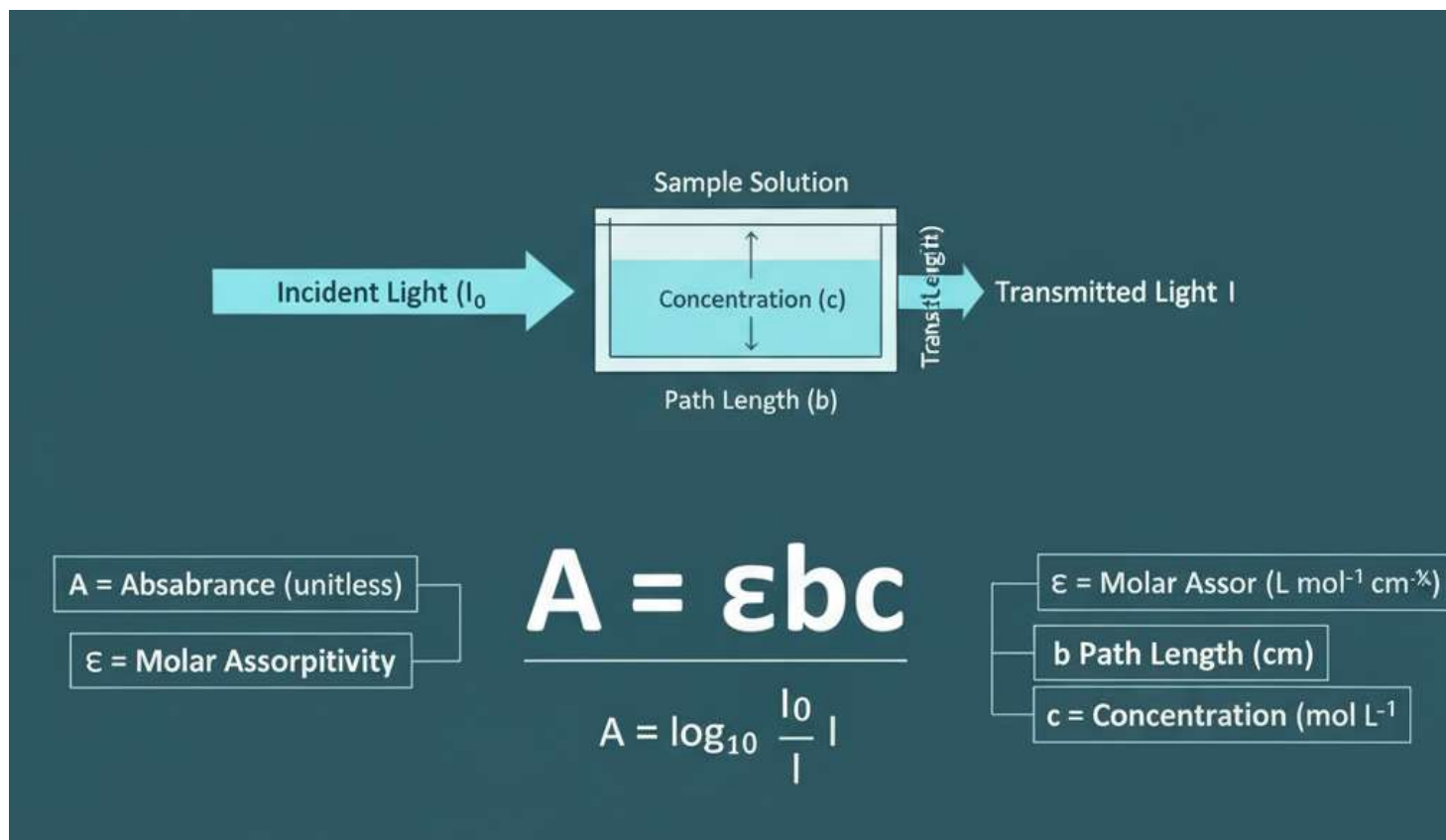
There are two laws which govern the absorption of light by the molecules.

These are: **1. Beer's law, 2. Lambert's Law**



Why Beer's Lambert's Law?

Quantifies light absorption by a substance to determine its concentration.



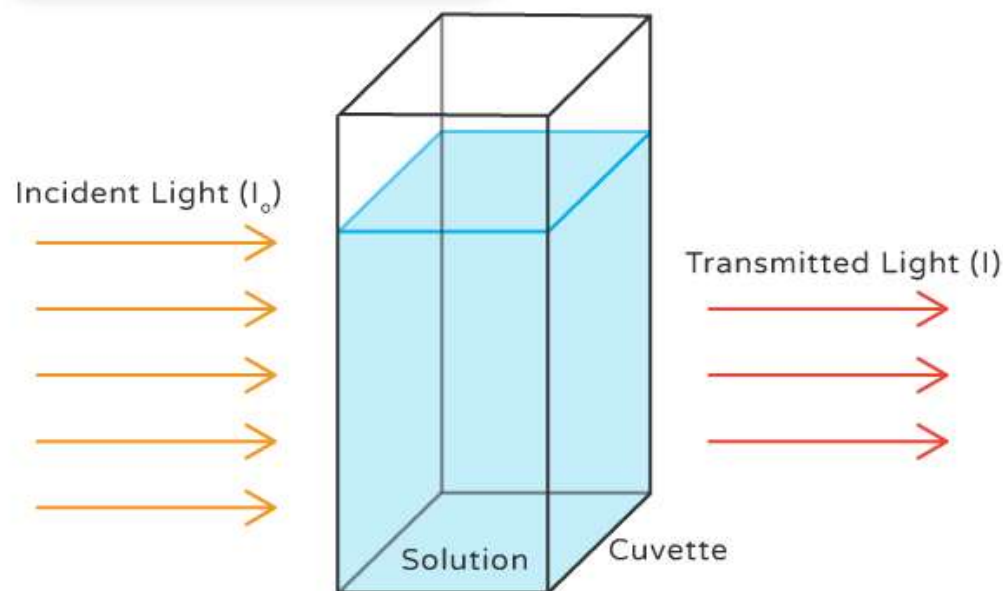
Absorbance and Transmittance

➤ **Absorbance (A):** $A = -\log T = \log(I_0/I_t)$

➤ **Transmittance (T):** $T = I_t/I_0$ (I_t = transmitted light intensity, I_0 = initial light intensity)

Beer-Lambert Law

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$$A = \epsilon c l$$

A : Absorbance

c : Molar concentration

ϵ : Molar absorptivity

l : Optical path length

Beer's Law: Absorption vs. Concentration

Intensity decrease proportional to concentration (c) and incident intensity (I_0)

Rate of intensity loss:

$$-dI/I = K c dx$$

(K = constant, c = concentration, x = distance)

Integrate from I_0 (c = 0) to I_t (c = c):

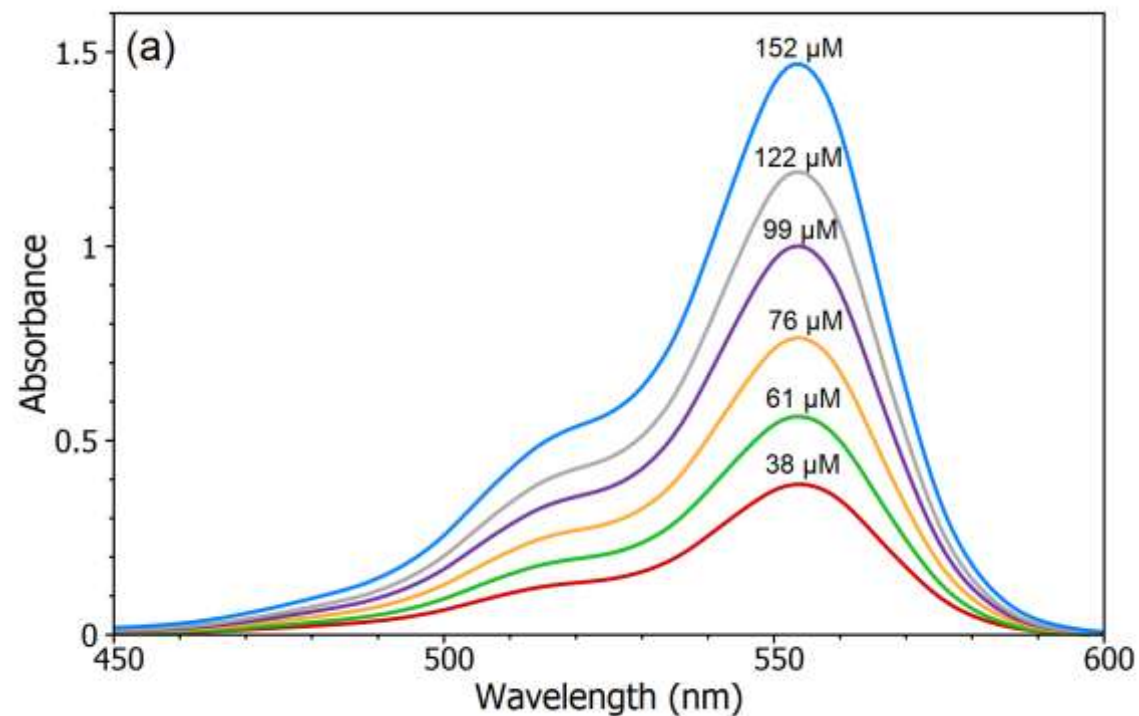
$$\int (-dI/I) = \int K c dx$$

Result:

$$-[\ln I_t - \ln I_0] = K c \rightarrow \ln(I_0/I_t) = K c$$

Convert:

$$I_t = I_0 e^{(-Kc)}$$



Lambert's Law: Absorption vs. Path Length

Intensity decrease proportional to path length (t) and incident intensity (I_0)

Rate of intensity loss:

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Integrate from I_0 (t = 0) to I_t (t = t):

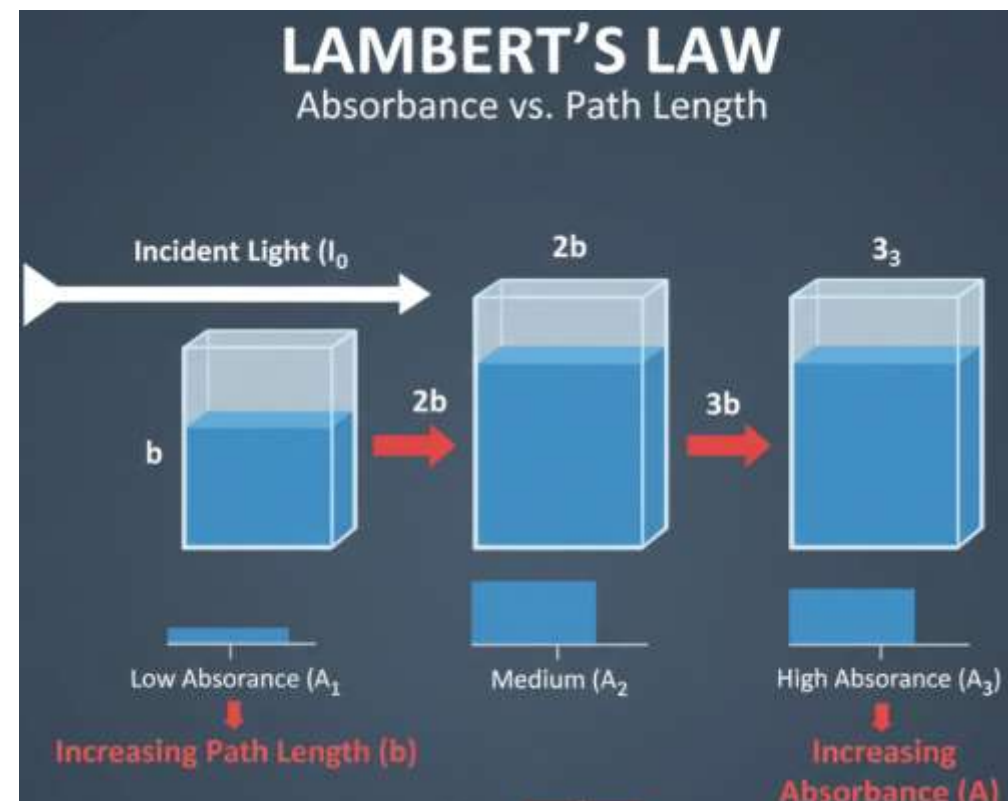
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Combining Beer's and Lambert's Laws

Combined Form:

$$I_t = I_0 e^{(-Kct)}$$

(combining Beer's $I_t = I_0 e^{(-Kc)}$ and Lambert's $I_t = I_0 e^{(-Kt)}$)

Base-10 Form:

$$\log(I_0/I_t) = a c t \quad (a = \text{extinction coefficient} = K/2.303)$$

Absorbance:

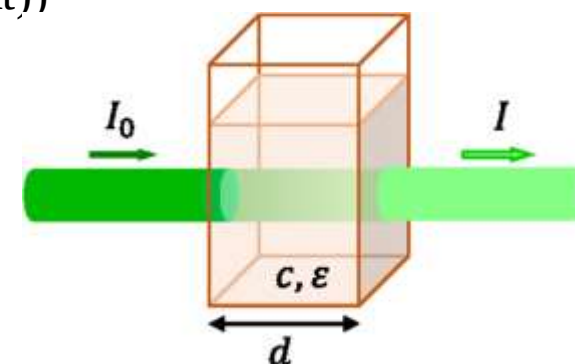
$$A = \log(I_0/I_t) = \epsilon c t$$

(ϵ = molar absorptivity, c = concentration in mol/L, t = path length in cm)

Alternative:

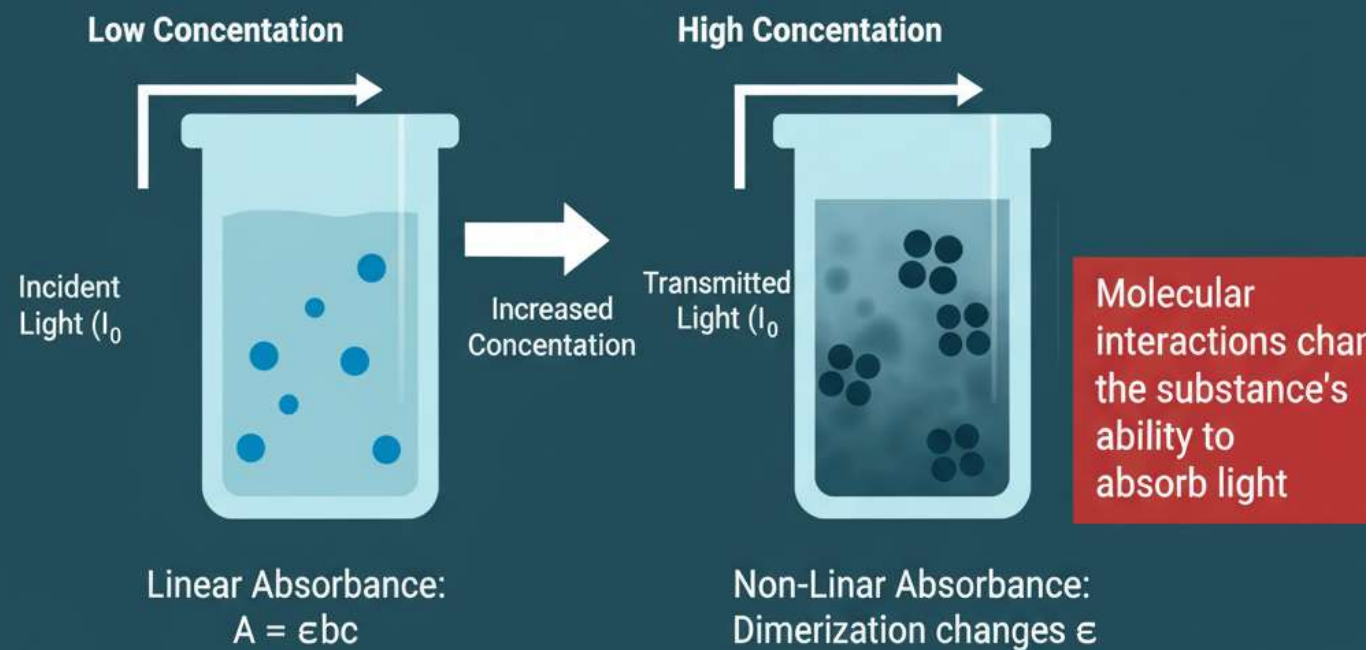
$$A = E\% \times (c/100) \times t$$

($E\%$ = absorbance of 1% w/v solution, $t = 1$ cm)



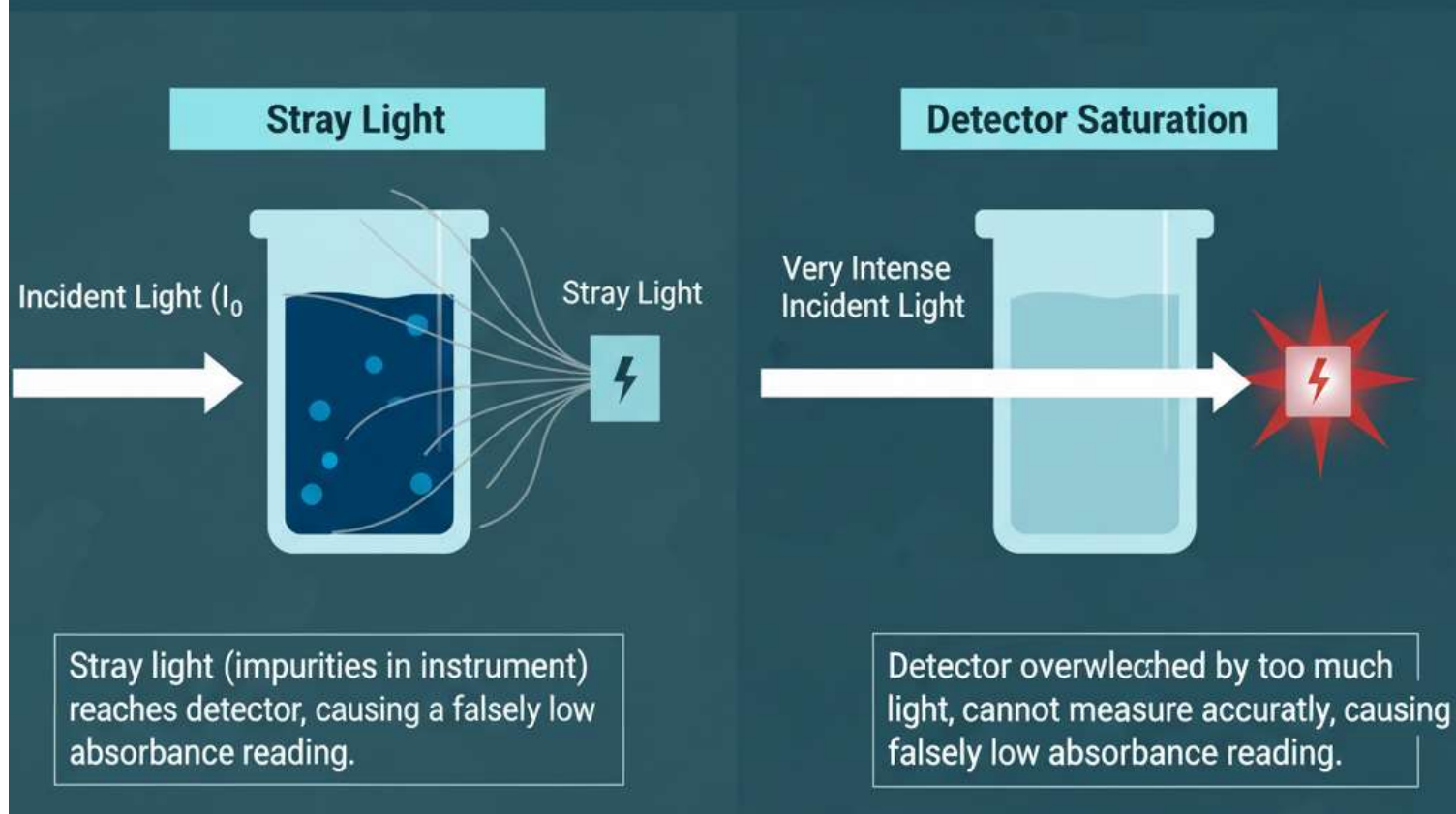
Deviations from Beer's-Lambert's Law

1. Chemical Deviations (High Concentration)



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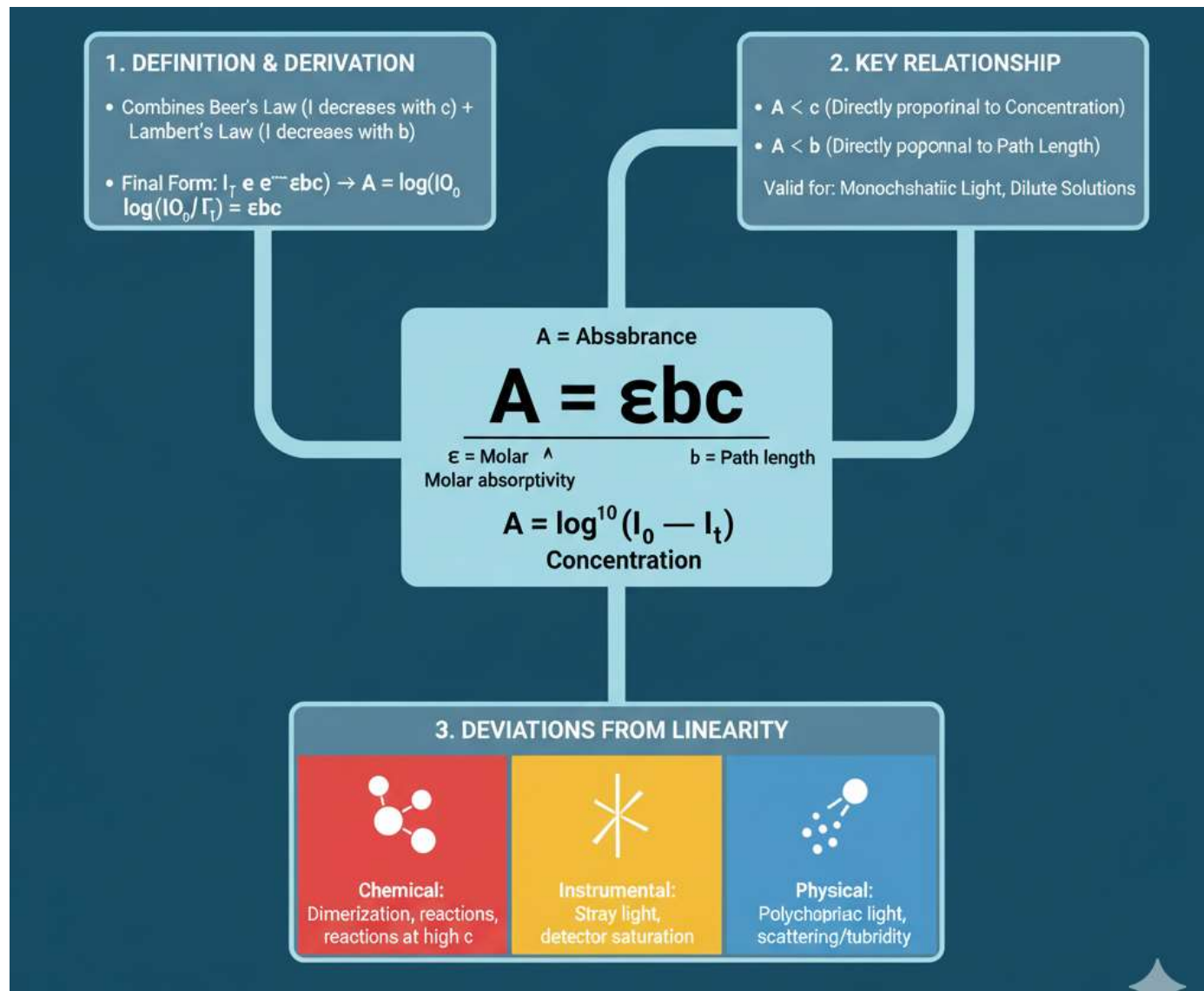
2. Instrumental Deviations



Applications of Beer's-Lambert's Law



Summary

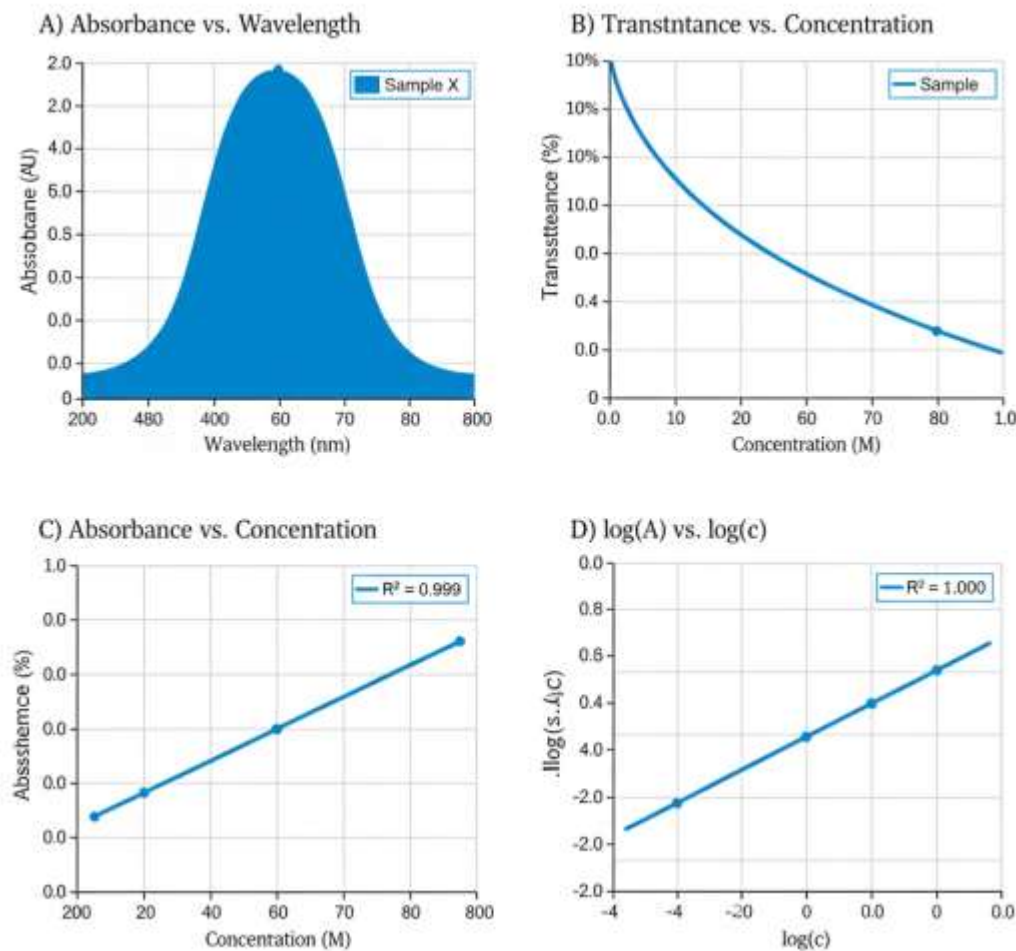


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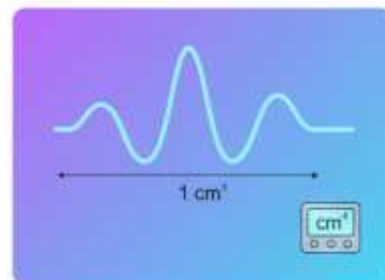
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2. The unit of molar absorptivity (ϵ) is

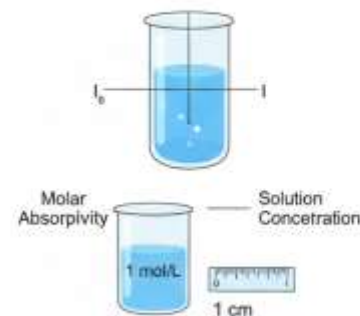


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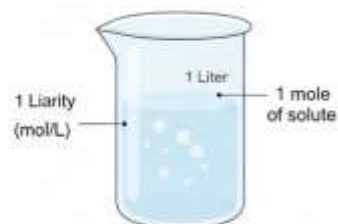
A) cm^{-1}



B) $\text{L mol}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$



C) Molarity (mol/L^{-1})



D) cm



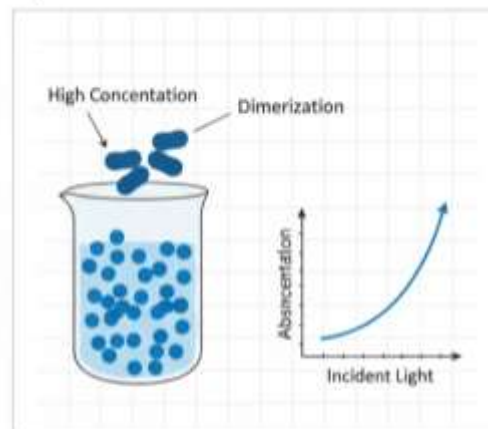
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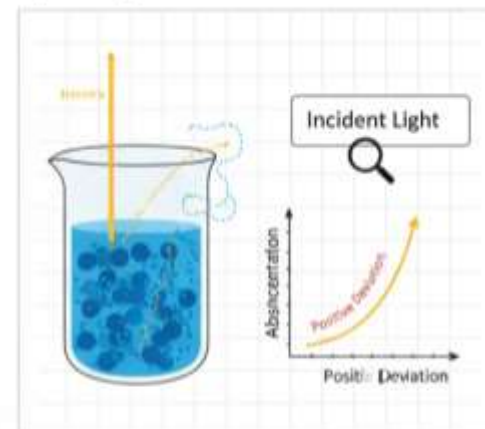


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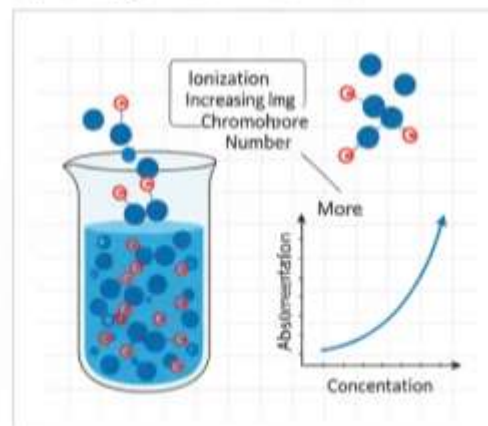
A) Dimerization Solution



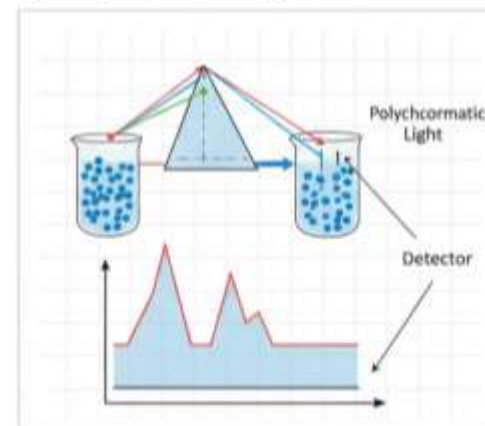
B) Change in Refractive Index



C) Change in Refractive Index



D) Polychromatic Light



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