

Electron-Photon Interaction

In the absence of photon field

$$H_0 = \frac{1}{2m_0} p^2 + V(\vec{r})$$

In the presence of photon (electromagnetic) field

$$\vec{p} \rightarrow (\vec{p} - e\vec{A})$$

\vec{A} = vector potential

$$\nabla \times \vec{A} = \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2m_0} (\vec{p} - e\vec{A})^2 + V(\vec{r})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2m_0} p^2 - \frac{e}{2m_0} (\vec{p} \cdot \vec{A} + \vec{A} \cdot \vec{p}) + \frac{e^2 A^2}{2m_0} + V(\vec{r})$$

$$= H_0 + H'$$

$$H' = -\frac{e}{2m_0} (\vec{p} \cdot \vec{A} + \vec{A} \cdot \vec{p}) + \frac{e^2 A^2}{2m}$$

$$|eA| \ll |p|$$

$$\vec{p} \cdot \vec{A} \phi = -i\hbar \nabla \cdot \vec{A} \phi = -i\hbar [(\nabla \cdot \vec{A})\phi + \underbrace{\vec{A} \cdot \nabla \phi}_{\downarrow \vec{A} \cdot \vec{p}}]$$

Use Coulumb gauge $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$

$\vec{p} \cdot \vec{A} = \vec{A} \cdot \vec{p}$ operator

$$H' \approx -\frac{e}{m_0} \vec{A} \cdot \vec{p}$$

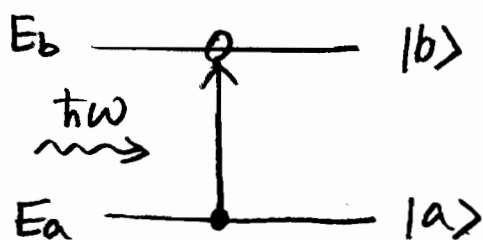
$$= H'(\vec{r}) e^{-i\omega t} + H'^*(\vec{r}) e^{i\omega t}$$

Assume

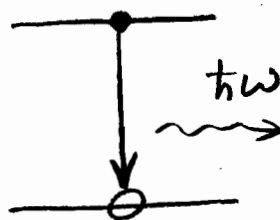
$$\begin{aligned}\vec{A} &= \hat{e} A_0 \cos(\vec{k}_{\text{op}} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) \\ &= \hat{e} \frac{A_0}{2} e^{i\vec{k}_{\text{op}} \cdot \vec{r} - i\omega t} + \hat{e} \frac{A_0}{2} e^{-i\vec{k}_{\text{op}} \cdot \vec{r} + i\omega t} \\ \Rightarrow H'(\vec{r}) &= - \frac{eA_0}{2m_0} e^{i\vec{k}_{\text{op}} \cdot \vec{r}} \hat{e} \cdot \vec{p}\end{aligned}$$

Absorption Rate of one photon.

$$W_{\text{abs}} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |\langle b | H'(\vec{r}) | a \rangle|^2 \delta(E_b - E_a - \hbar\omega)$$



Absorption



Emission

$$W_{\text{emi}} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |\langle a | H'(\vec{r}) | b \rangle|^2 \delta(E_a - E_b + \hbar\omega)$$

Total rate of upward transition per unit vol.

$$R_{a \rightarrow b} = \frac{2}{V} \sum_{\vec{k}_a} \sum_{\vec{k}_b} \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |H'_{ba}|^2 \delta(E_b - E_a - \hbar\omega) \cdot f_a \cdot (1 - f_b)$$

$$f_a = \frac{1}{1 + e^{(E_a - E_F)/k_B T}} \quad = \text{Probability } |a\rangle \text{ occupied}$$

$$(1 - f_b) \quad = \quad \text{" } |b\rangle \text{ empty}$$

Total downward transition

$$R_{b \rightarrow a} = \frac{2}{V} \sum_{k_a} \sum_{k_b} \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |H'_{ab}|^2 \delta(E_a - E_b + \hbar\omega) \cdot f_b (1 - f_a)$$

$$|H'_{ab}| = |H'_{ba}|$$

"Net" upward transition rate (absorption).

$$R = R_{a \rightarrow b} - R_{b \rightarrow a}$$

$$= \frac{2}{V} \sum_{k_a} \sum_{k_b} \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |H'_{ba}|^2 \delta(E_b - E_a - \hbar\omega) \cdot (f_a - f_b)$$

$$* f_a(1 - f_b) - f_b(1 - f_a) = f_a - f_b$$

$$\text{(unit: } \frac{1}{\text{cm}^3} \cdot \frac{1}{\text{sec}} \text{)}$$

Matrix Element H'_{ba}

$$H'_{ba} = \langle b | (-\frac{e}{m_0} \vec{A} \cdot \vec{P}) | a \rangle$$

$$= -\frac{e}{m_0} \vec{A} \cdot \langle b | \vec{P} | a \rangle$$

$$\vec{P} = m_0 \frac{d}{dt} \vec{r} = m_0 \frac{1}{i\hbar} [\vec{r}, H_0] \quad \text{Heisenberg Picture}$$

$$= \frac{m_0}{i\hbar} (\vec{r} H_0 - H_0 \vec{r})$$

$$\langle b | \vec{P} | a \rangle = \frac{m_0}{i\hbar} (\underbrace{\langle b | \vec{r} H_0 | a \rangle}_{E_a \langle a | a \rangle} - \underbrace{\langle b | H_0 \vec{r} | a \rangle}_{E_b \langle b | b \rangle})$$

$$= \frac{m_0}{i\hbar} \underbrace{(E_a - E_b)}_{-\hbar\omega} \langle b | \vec{r} | a \rangle$$

$$H'_{ba} = \left(-\frac{e}{m_0}\right) \left(-\frac{m_0}{i\hbar}\right) \hbar \omega \vec{A} \cdot \vec{\gamma}_{ba}$$

$$= (-i\omega \vec{A}) \cdot \underbrace{(e \vec{\gamma}_{ba})}_{\text{electric dipole}}$$

$$\vec{E} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A} = i\omega \vec{A}$$

$$= -\vec{E} \cdot \vec{\mu}_{ba}, \quad \vec{E} = \hat{e} \cdot \left(\frac{E_0}{2} e^{i\vec{k}_{\text{prop}} \cdot \vec{r} - i\omega t} + \frac{E_0}{2} e^{-i\vec{k}_{\text{prop}} \cdot \vec{r} + i\omega t} \right)$$

$$R = \frac{2}{V} \sum_{k_a} \sum_{k_b} \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \frac{E_0^2}{4} |\hat{e} \cdot \vec{\mu}_{ba}|^2 \delta(E_b - E_a - \hbar\omega) (f_a - f_b)$$

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 $\frac{1}{\text{m}^3} \cdot \frac{1}{\text{sec}}$

Absorption Coefficient α (cm^{-1})

$$I = I_0 e^{-\alpha z}$$

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 Photon flux $\frac{1}{\text{cm}^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\text{sec}}$

$$\left| \frac{dI}{dz} \right| = R = \alpha \cdot I$$

$$\alpha = \frac{R}{I}$$

$$I = \left(\frac{\epsilon_r \epsilon_0}{2} E_0^2 \right) \left(\frac{1}{\hbar\omega} \right) \left(\frac{c}{n_r} \right)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{2\pi E_0^2}{4\hbar} \cdot \frac{2\hbar\omega \cdot n_r}{\epsilon_r \epsilon_0 E_0^2 \cdot c} \cdot \frac{2}{V} \sum_{k_a} \sum_{k_b} |\hat{e} \cdot \vec{\mu}_{ba}|^2 \delta(E_b - E_a - \hbar\omega) (f_a - f_b)$$

$$\epsilon_r = n_r^2$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\pi \omega}{n_r c \epsilon_0} \frac{2}{V} \sum_{k_a} \sum_{k_b} |\hat{e} \cdot \vec{\mu}_{ab}|^2 \delta(E_b - E_a - \hbar\omega) \cdot (f_a - f_b)$$