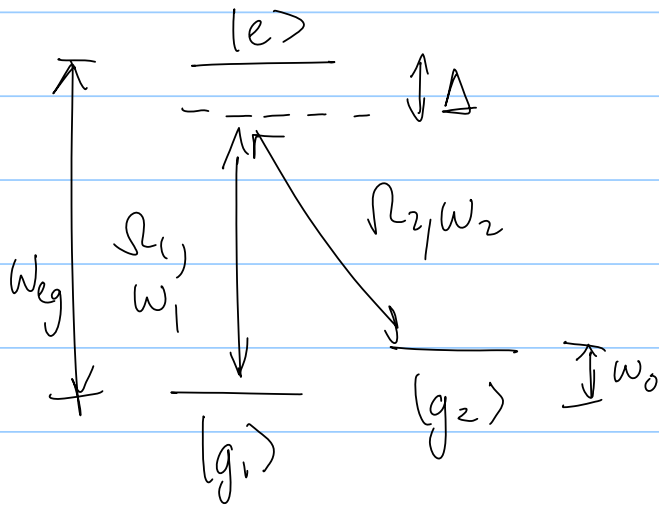


Stimulated Raman transitions

Note Title

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We have to do a baby-version in class
(I have not seen the whole shebang outside of Wineland's personal notes)



Assume:

- ① field 1 only couples $|g_1\rangle$ and $|e\rangle$
- ② field 2 only couples $|g_2\rangle$ and $|e\rangle$
- ③ no other states

→ infinitely massive, $e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} \approx 1$

→ we'll examine what happens in real life once we understand the general features of the physics

first: note something simple:

$k_1, \hat{\epsilon} = \hat{x}$
 $\rightarrow$
 $k_2, \hat{\epsilon} = \hat{x}$
 $\rightarrow$

$$\vec{E}_1 = E_1 e^{ik_1 z} e^{-i\omega_1 t} \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{E}_2 = E_2 e^{ik_2 z} e^{-i\omega_2 t} \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_1 + \vec{E}_2 = e^{ikz} (E_1 e^{-i\omega_1 t} + E_2 e^{-i\omega_2 t}) \hat{x}$$

$$|\vec{E}|^2 = E_1^2 + E_2^2 + \underbrace{2E_1 E_2 \cos[(\omega_1 - \omega_2)t]}_{\text{a beat - at } \omega_1 - \omega_2, \text{ with strength } \propto E_1 E_2 - \text{ will this drive transitions between } |g_1\rangle \text{ and } |g_2\rangle - \text{ yes!}}$$

a beat - at $\omega_1 - \omega_2$, with strength $\propto E_1 E_2$ - will this drive transitions between $|g_1\rangle$ and $|g_2\rangle$ - yes!

Now, do the quantum mechanics

$$\vec{E}_1 = \hat{\epsilon}_1 E_1 (e^{-i\omega_1 t} + e^{i\omega_1 t})$$

$$\vec{E}_2 = \hat{\epsilon}_2 E_2 [e^{-i(\omega_2 t - \phi)} + e^{i(\omega_2 t - \phi)}]$$

interaction picture, interaction Hamiltonian:

$$H_I' = -\frac{e}{2} \left\{ \langle e | \hat{\mathbf{E}}_1 \cdot \vec{r} | g_1 \rangle | e \rangle \langle g_1 | e^{i\omega_{eg}t} e^{-i\omega t} E_1 + \right. \\ \left. \langle e | \hat{\mathbf{E}}_2 \cdot \vec{r} | g_2 \rangle | e \rangle \langle g_2 | e^{i\omega_{eg}t} e^{-i(\omega t - \varphi)} E_2 + \text{h.c.} \right.$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Delta &= \omega_{eg} - \omega, \\ \Delta + \delta &= \omega_{eg} - \omega_2 - \omega_0. \end{aligned} \right\} \text{there are two detunings now}$$

Here look for Schrödinger's equation:

$$|\psi\rangle = c_1 |g_1\rangle + c_2 |g_2\rangle + c_e |e\rangle$$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = H_I' |\psi\rangle$$

$$\dot{c}_1 = i \frac{e E_1^*}{2\hbar} e^{-i\Delta t} \langle g_1 | \hat{\mathbf{E}}_1 \cdot \vec{r} | e \rangle c_e$$

$$\dot{c}_2 = i \frac{e E_2^*}{2\hbar} e^{-i\varphi} e^{-i(\Delta+\delta)t} \langle g_2 | \hat{\mathbf{E}}_2 \cdot \vec{r} | e \rangle c_e$$

$$\dot{c}_e = i \frac{e}{2\hbar} \left[e^{i\Delta t} \langle e | \hat{\mathbf{E}}_1 \cdot \vec{r} | g_1 \rangle E_1 c_1 + \right. \\ \left. e^{i(\Delta+\delta)t} e^{i\varphi} \langle e | \hat{\mathbf{E}}_2 \cdot \vec{r} | g_2 \rangle E_2 c_2 \right]$$

define "couplings":

$$\Omega_1 = \frac{eE_1}{2\hbar} \langle e | \hat{\vec{E}}_1 \cdot \vec{r} | g_1 \rangle$$

$$\Omega_2 = \frac{eE_2}{2\hbar} \langle e | \hat{\vec{E}}_2 \cdot \vec{r} | g_2 \rangle$$

and use a rotating frame:

$$c'_e = e^{-i\Delta t} c_e, \quad c'_1 = c_1, \quad c'_2 = c_2$$

so: $c_e = e^{i\Delta t} c'_e$

then: $\dot{c}_e = e^{i\Delta t} \dot{c}'_e + i\Delta e^{i\Delta t} c'_e$

assume $\dot{c}'_e \ll \Delta c'_e$

or $\Delta \gg \frac{\dot{c}'_e}{c'_e}$

huh? why?

• well, if $\Delta \gg \Omega_{1,2}$, then $\Omega' \simeq \Delta \rightarrow$ oscillations in c_e are small and occur at frequency Δ

• and, in the rotating frame we remove all time dependence at Δ !

So, this condition is pretty good!

then:

$$c_e' = \frac{1}{\Delta} [\Omega_1 c_1 + \Omega_2 e^{i\varphi} e^{i\delta t} c_2]$$

and

$$\begin{cases} \dot{c}_1 = \frac{i|\Omega_1|^2}{\Delta} c_1 + i \frac{\Omega_1^* \Omega_2}{\Delta} c_2 e^{i\delta t} e^{i\varphi} \\ \dot{c}_2 = i \frac{|\Omega_2|^2}{\Delta} c_2 + i \frac{\Omega_2^* \Omega_1}{\Delta} c_1 e^{-i\delta t} \end{cases}$$

energy shift — because $|e\rangle$ really is there!

oscillations between $|g_1\rangle$ and $|g_2\rangle$

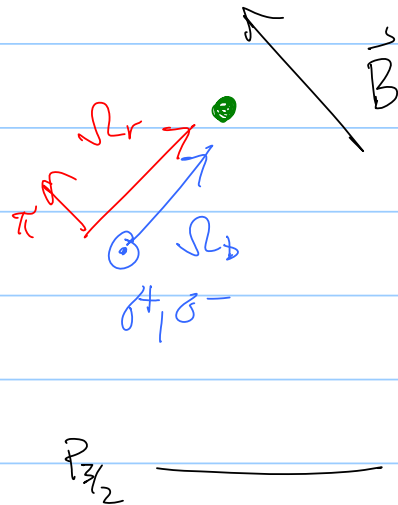
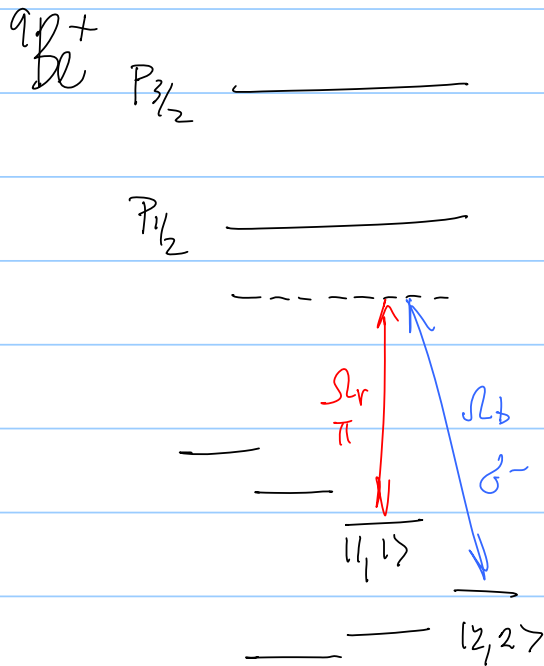
oscillations between $|g_1\rangle$ and $|g_2\rangle$ at Rabi rate $\Omega = \frac{\Omega_1 \Omega_2^*}{\Delta}$ with defining δ

phase between laser fields controls the direction of the effective force

Voila! We get a coupled, 2-level system with $|g_1\rangle$ and $|g_2\rangle$

What did we leave out?

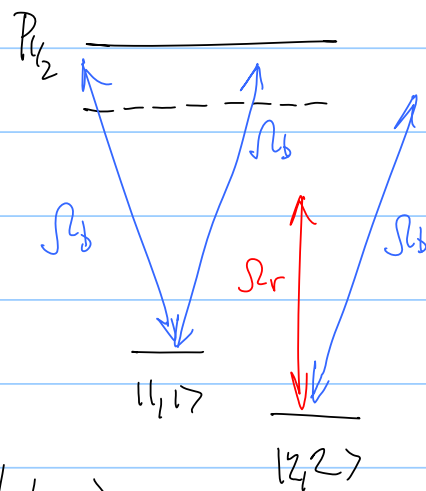
Many energy shifts Ω_i will couple to $|g_2\rangle$ and vice-versa, but, will not induce transitions



additional energy shifts =

but see... no additional coupling between $|1,1\rangle$ and $|2,2\rangle$

(remember to include all excited states)



Also - should be clear now that $\Delta m_F = q_1 + q_2$

(there are real excited states involved)

What about the motion:

2 common cases: (I) free states

(II) harmonic oscillator states

(I)
$$H_0 = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} + \hbar \omega_0 |g_2\rangle \langle g_2| + \hbar \omega_{eg} |e\rangle \langle e|$$

this is new!

and we write $|\psi\rangle = \sum_k \{ c_{1k} |g_1\rangle + c_{2k} |g_2\rangle + c_{ek} |e\rangle \} |k\rangle$

Our equations of motion look different now:

$$\dot{c}_{1k} = i \frac{eE_1^*}{2\hbar} e^{-i\Delta t} \sum_{k'} e^{i(E_k - E_{k'})/\hbar t} \langle g_1 k | \hat{\xi}_1 \cdot \vec{r} e^{-i\vec{k}_1 \cdot \vec{r}} | e k' \rangle c_{ek'}$$

$$\dot{c}_{2k} = i \frac{eE_2^*}{2\hbar} e^{-i\varphi} e^{-i(\Delta + \delta)t} \sum_{k'} e^{i(E_k - E_{k'})/\hbar t} \langle g_2 k | \hat{\xi}_2 \cdot \vec{r} e^{-i\vec{k}_2 \cdot \vec{r}} | e k' \rangle c_{ek'}$$

... and a similar equation for $\dot{c}_{ek}$

So, if $k_1, k_2 \ll 1/a_0$ but $k_1, k_2 \sim k$, then the motional state can change but the forces on the atomic scale are small!

$$\langle g_1 k | \hat{\xi}_1 \cdot \vec{r} e^{-i\vec{k}_1 \cdot \vec{r}} | e k' \rangle \rightarrow \langle g_1 | \hat{\xi}_1 \cdot \vec{r} | e \rangle \underbrace{\langle k | e^{-i\vec{k}_1 \cdot \vec{r}} | k' \rangle}_{\text{recoil energy}}$$

$$\langle k | k' - k_1 \rangle = \delta_{k, k' - k_1}$$

$$\text{and } \sum_{k'} e^{i(E_k - E_{k'})/\hbar t} \langle g_1 k | \hat{\xi}_1 \cdot \vec{r} e^{-i\vec{k}_1 \cdot \vec{r}} | e k' \rangle c_{ek'} \rightarrow$$

$$e^{-i \frac{\hbar^2 k_1^2}{2m} t} \underbrace{\quad}_{\text{"recoil energy"}} \langle g_1 | \hat{\xi}_1 \cdot \vec{r} | e \rangle c_{e, k' - k_1}$$

etc.

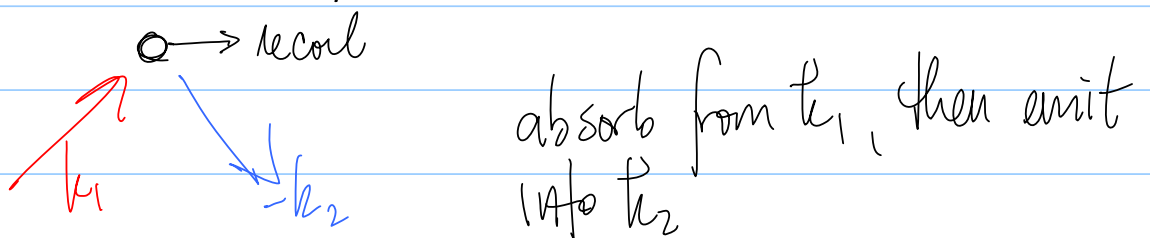
Being extremely careful, and doing the adiabatic elimination...

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{c}_{1,k} &= \frac{-|\Omega_1|^2}{\Delta} c_{1,k} + i \frac{\Omega_1^* \Omega_2}{\Delta} e^{i\delta t} e^{i\phi} e^{-i\frac{\hbar}{2m}(k_2^2 - k_1^2)t} c_{2,k+k_1-k_2} \\ \dot{c}_{2,k+k_1-k_2} &= i \frac{|\Omega_2|^2}{\Delta} c_{2,k+k_1-k_2} + i \frac{\Omega_2^* \Omega_1}{\Delta} e^{-i\delta t} e^{-i\frac{\hbar}{2m}(k_2^2 - k_1^2)t} c_{1,k}\end{aligned}$$

We are coming close to being unable to escape the existence of photons!

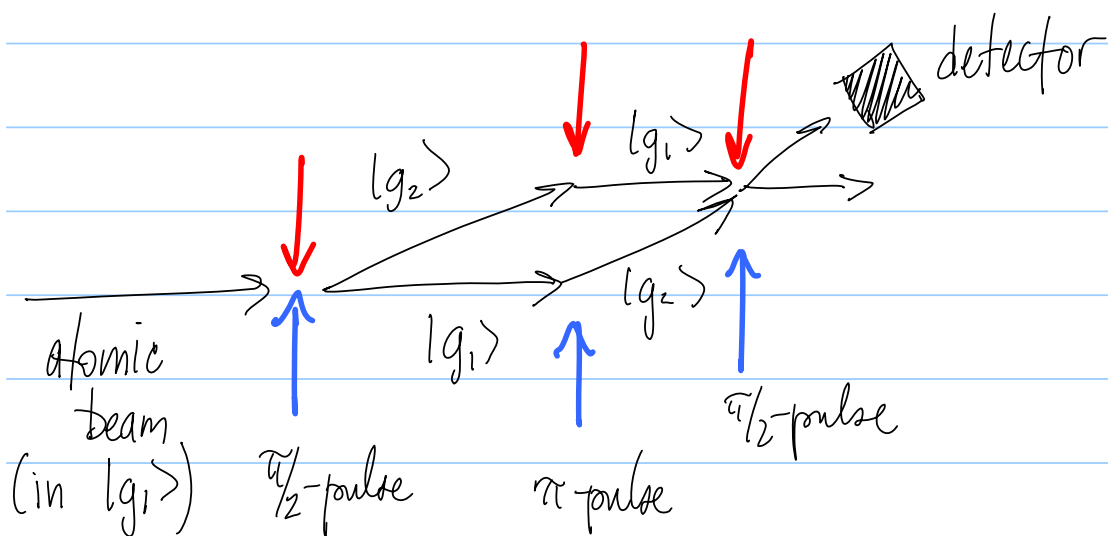
k changes by $k_1 - k_2$ when going from $|1\rangle \rightarrow |2\rangle$

photon picture (although we didn't use them here):



Note that there is a spatially dependent field along the direction of recoil ("walking standing wave") - this is actually what exerts a force on the atom & changes motion

This trick is used in atom interferometers:



The most sensitive rotation-sensor in the world is made this way!

see Class. Quantum. Grav. 17, 2385 (2000)

In 1 sec, they get a sensitivity of better (these days) than $8 \times 10^{-6} \Omega_E$, where Ω_E is the Earth's rotation rate

② Life is more complicated when (1-D Ho):

$$H_0 = \hbar\omega |n\rangle\langle n| + \hbar\omega_0 |g_2\rangle\langle g_2| + \hbar\omega_e |e\rangle\langle e|$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_n \left(c_{1n} |g_1\rangle + c_{2n} |g_2\rangle + c_{en} |e\rangle \right) |n\rangle$$

Similar analysis, but $|n\rangle$ are not momentum eigenstates

the result:

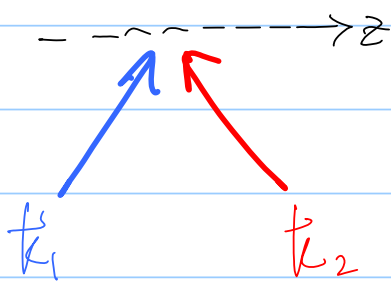
transitions $|g_1\rangle|n\rangle \leftrightarrow |g_2\rangle|n'\rangle$ are possible

with Rabi rate: $\Omega = \frac{\Omega_1 \Omega_2^*}{\Delta} \langle n' | e^{i\Delta \hat{h} \cdot \vec{x}} | n \rangle$

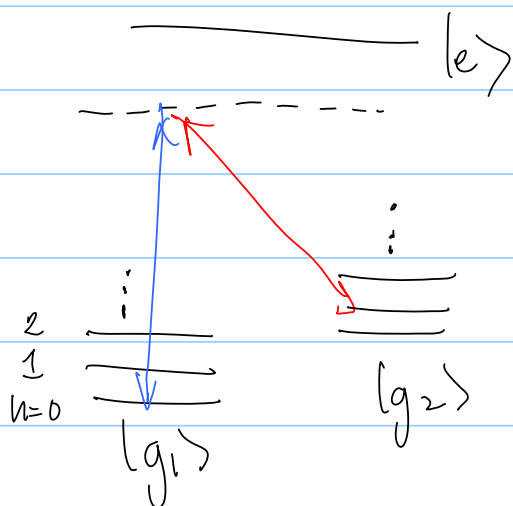
$$= \frac{\Omega_1 \Omega_2^*}{\Delta} \langle n' | e^{i\eta(a+a^\dagger)} | n \rangle$$

where $\eta = \Delta k_z \cdot z_0$ is the Lamb-Dicke parameter

$\left(z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega_z}} \right)$ is the harmonic oscillator length



$$\Delta \vec{k} = \vec{k}_1 - \vec{k}_2 \quad \text{wave vector difference}$$



In the Lamb-Dicke limit, as $\Delta n = n' - n$ gets bigger, the Rabi rate is strongly suppressed

$$\langle n' | e^{i \Delta k_z z} | n \rangle = e^{-\eta^2/2} \sqrt{\frac{n_{<}!}{n_{>}!}} \eta^{|n'-n|} L_{n_{<}}^{|n'-n|}(\eta^2)$$

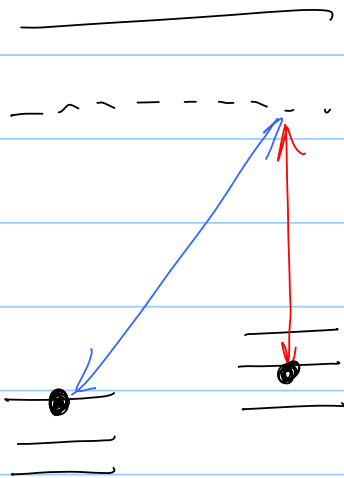
extremely similar to what is seen in x-ray Bragg scattering - "Debye-Waller factor"

generalized Laguerre polynomial

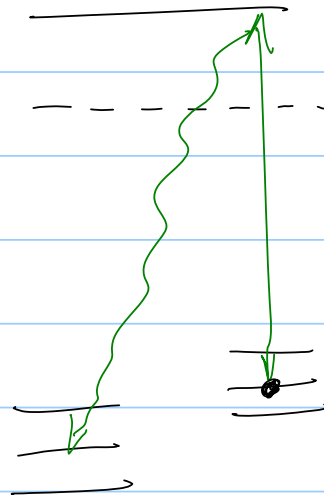
Stimulated Raman cooling:

We can cool an ion to $T=0$!

Multi-stage cooling process:



① π -pulse $|g_1, n\rangle \rightarrow |g_2, n-1\rangle$



② pump back using spontaneous emission —
in the LD limit:

$|g_2, n-1\rangle \rightarrow |g_1, n-1\rangle$

③ repeat!