

# Einstein Coefficients

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Let's analyze 2 level system in limit of  $n_c \rightarrow 0$

$$n_1 B_{12} u_\nu = n_2 A_{21} + n_2 B_{21} u_\nu$$

Solve for  $u_\nu$  and divide both sides by  $n_2 B_{21}$ :

$$\frac{n_1 B_{12}}{n_2 B_{21}} u_\nu - u_\nu = \frac{A_{21}}{B_{21}}$$

$$u_\nu = \frac{A_{21}}{B_{21}} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{B_{12}}{B_{21}} \frac{n_1}{n_2} - 1}$$

Boltzmann:  $\frac{n_1}{n_2} = \frac{g_1}{g_2} e^{+h\nu/kT}$  because  $\Delta E_{21} = h\nu$

$$u_\nu = \frac{A_{21}}{B_{21}} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{B_{12}}{B_{21}} \frac{g_1}{g_2} e^{h\nu/kT} - 1}$$

But  $u_\nu = \frac{8\pi h\nu^3}{c^3} \frac{1}{e^{h\nu/kT} - 1}$  for a black body

$$\Rightarrow A_{21} = \frac{8\pi h\nu^3}{c^3} B_{21} \quad \text{and} \quad g_1 B_{12} = g_2 B_{21}$$

CAN CONVERT Einstein Bs to As  
and vice versa!

Note we derived this in a particular limit assuming  $u_\nu$  was a blackbody — BUT these are consts so are always true.

# SEMI-CLASSICAL Derivation of Einstein A

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The exact equation depends on the "multipole" of radiation. Radiation is generated by acceleration of charge and the "strongest" multipole is Electric Dipole Radiation.

From Quantum point-of-view  $\langle P \rangle = h\nu \cdot A_{ue}$   
 erg·s<sup>-1</sup>      erg · s<sup>-1</sup> ✓

Lets relate this average power radiated to the average power from an oscillating electric dipole.  $d = e \cdot x(t)$   
 electric dipole = charge · distance

$x(t) = x_0 \cos \omega t$  where  $\omega = 2\pi\nu$

⇒  $\ddot{x}(t) = x_0 \omega^2 \cos \omega t$  is acceleration of the charge

The Power radiated into 4π ster from accelerating charge is:

$$P(t) = \frac{2}{3} \frac{e^2 \ddot{x}(t)^2}{c^3}$$

$2\pi/\omega \leftarrow$  one period of oscillation

$$\langle P \rangle = \frac{2}{3c^3} \cdot e^2 x_0^2 (2\pi\nu)^4 \cdot \frac{\int_0^{2\pi/\omega} \cos^2 \omega t dt}{\int_0^{2\pi/\omega} dt} = \frac{\pi}{\omega}$$

$$\langle P \rangle = \frac{2 \cdot 16 \cdot \pi^4 \nu^4}{3 c^3} \cdot \frac{\pi/\omega}{2\pi/\omega} e^2 x_0^2$$

$\leftarrow$  we almost have that need to  $\times \frac{2}{2}$

Define the average electric dipole as  $\bar{\mu}_e = \frac{e x_0}{2} \Rightarrow \mu_e^2 = \frac{e^2 x_0^2}{4}$

$$\langle P \rangle = \frac{64 \pi^4 \nu^3}{3 c^3} \bar{\mu}_e^2 = h\nu A_{ue}$$

⇒  $A_{ue} = \frac{64 \pi^4 \nu^3}{3 h c^3} |\mu_e|^2$

electric dipole moment matrix element =  $\int \psi_i^* \hat{\mu}_e \psi_f dV$

units:  $[\mu_e] \Rightarrow 1 \text{ Debye} = 10^{-18} \text{ esu} \cdot \text{cm}$  (cgs) units

NOTE Electric Dipole  $\sim \nu^3$  (also magnetic dipole)

URNS OUT THAT Electric Quadrupole  $\sim \nu^5$  (also magnetic quadrupole)  
 etc.