

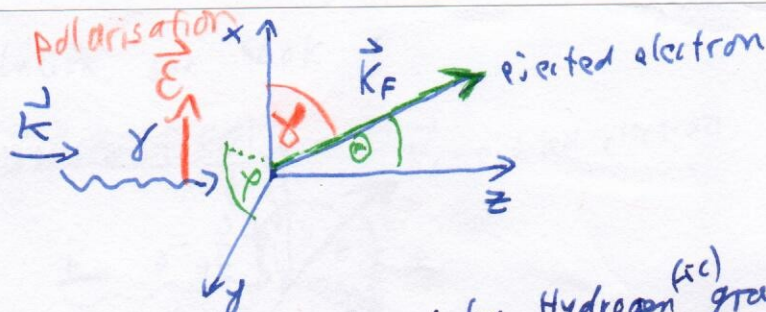
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Can rewrite (3.35) using integration by parts:

$$M_{ba} = (2\pi)^{-3/2} (-i \hat{\epsilon} \cdot (\vec{k} - \vec{k}_f)) \int \exp(i(\vec{k} - \vec{k}_f) \cdot \vec{r}) \psi_a(\vec{r}) d^3\vec{r} \quad (3.36)$$

This is proportional to the Fourier-transform  $\tilde{\psi}_a(\vec{k} - \vec{k}_f)$  of  $\psi_a(\vec{r})$ .

Specify geometry:



• Details of calculation, see book. We get for Hydrogen <sup>(1s)</sup> groundstate  $|a\rangle = |1s\rangle$

Differential cross-section for photo-ionization:

$$\Omega = (\theta, \varphi) \quad \text{direction of electron} \quad (3.37)$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = 32\alpha \left(\frac{A}{m}\right) \left(\frac{k_f^3}{\omega}\right) \frac{Z^5 a_0^3 \cos^2\gamma}{[Z^2 + k^2 a_0^2]^4}$$

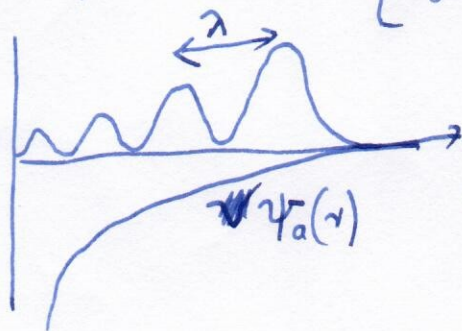
$$k = |\vec{k}|, \quad \vec{k} = \vec{k} - \vec{k}_f \quad (\text{assumes } E_f \gg |E_a|)$$

- $k$  depends on  $\theta$
- ejection most likely for  $\gamma = 0, \pi$ , along  $\vec{E}$ -field polarisation

• From (3.36) we see that laser-wavelength has to match size/oscillation scales of wave function:

$$\text{let } |\vec{k} - \vec{k}_f| \approx \mathcal{O}(|\vec{k}|) \quad * \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{we can ignore } |\vec{k} - \vec{k}_f| \ll \mathcal{O}(|\vec{k}|) \\ \text{because then } \gamma \approx 0 \text{ or } \gamma \approx \frac{\pi}{2} \\ \hookrightarrow \sigma \approx 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Example:



$\tilde{\psi}_a(k)$  will have main contributions at  $k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$

- For this reason, e.g. X-rays most likely photo-ionize tightly bound (small  $\lambda$ ) atoms such as from inner K-shells



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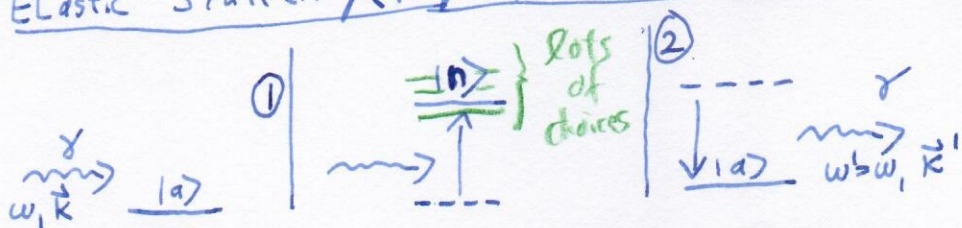
### 3.4. Scattering of radiation by atoms

• So far we looked at processes where atom makes a transition  $b \rightarrow a$  and a photon is created or the reverse, using first order PT.

• Combining these in 2nd order PT yields light scattering.

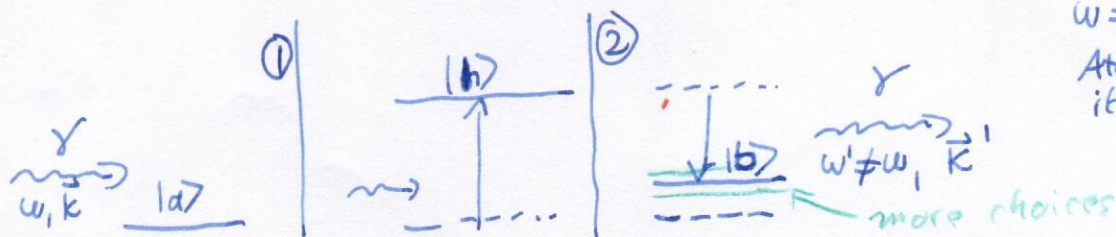
We can distinguish two different possibilities

#### Elastic scattering (Rayleigh scattering)



$\omega = \omega'$   
 $\vec{k}' \neq \vec{k}$ , photon can change direction

#### Inelastic scattering (Raman scattering)



$\omega \neq \omega'$   
Atom has changed its internal energy

• Both processes can occur in a resonant or non-resonant version, depending on ~~whether~~ whether  $\omega = \omega_{ba}$  for two states  $a, n$ . They happen regardless of whether this is the case.

#### 3.4.1 Rayleigh Scattering

The initial step ①, is a quantum mechanical ~~prob~~ amplitude for the atom to make the  $|a\rangle \rightarrow |n\rangle$  transition.

~~Afterwards~~

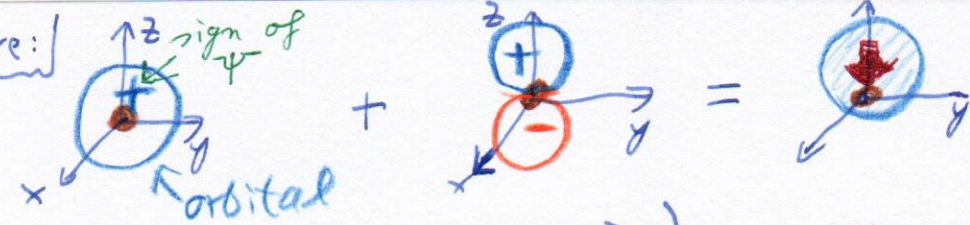
Afterwards the atom will generically be in a superposition state during the process

$$|\psi\rangle = c_a |a\rangle + c_n |n\rangle$$

~~We have seen in~~ Such a superposition state in general corresponds to an oscillating dipole



Picture:



= -'ve electron charge

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1s\rangle + |1s\rangle)$$

dipole moment  $d$

$o = +$ 've nuclear charge

• Ask why oscillating?

Oscillating dipole emits radiation  $\Rightarrow$  step 2.

The intuitive picture above motivates

Classical treatment

Electron as driven oscillator

$$\ddot{x} + \gamma \dot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = -\frac{e}{m} E(t) \tag{3.38}$$

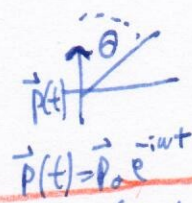
To retain connection with our quantum state picture above, we set  $\omega_0 = \omega_{na}$  and  $\gamma = \Gamma$  (decay rate, see (3.29))

Steady solution  $x(t) = \frac{-e/m}{\omega_0^2 - i\gamma\omega - \omega^2} E_0 e^{-i\omega t}$  (3.39)

Electrodynamics, power radiated by dipole

$\omega = c/k$

$\frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \frac{c}{8\pi} k^4 |\vec{p}_0|^2 \sin^2 \theta$



Rayleigh scattering formula

$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega} \sim \left(\frac{e}{m}\right)^2 \frac{\omega^4}{(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2 + \gamma^2 \omega^2} \sin^2 \theta \tag{3.40}$$

• For  $\omega_0 \gg \omega$  this is  $\sim \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}\right)^4$

• This explains ~~blue~~ blue sky and red sunset via Rayleigh scattering off photons from atoms/molecules in the atmosphere; optical wavelengths  $\lambda \sim 400 - 800$  nm here  $\omega_0 \gg \omega$  is true for  $N_2, O_2$

blue 450 nm      red 650 nm  $\Rightarrow$  blue scattered 4.3 times more effectively

• Dipole direction  $\vec{p}_0$  will be given by incoming polarisation vector  $\vec{E} \Rightarrow \theta$  is wrt. polarization of incoming light.



# Quantum treatment

Second order time-dependent P.T. (c.f. Eq. (1.32))

$$c_b^{(2)}(t) = -\frac{1}{\hbar^2} \sum_n \int_0^t dt' \int_0^{t'} dt'' e^{i\omega_b t'} e^{i\omega_n t''} H_{bn}'(t') H_{na}'(t'') \quad (3.41)$$

↑ see Eq. (3.9)

Note, time-ordering  $0 < t' < t'' < t$

We can follow similar steps (but using QED) as for absorption cross-section (3.15b) to find

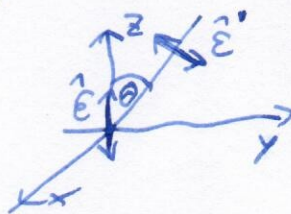
Differential cross-section for photon scattering into  $(\theta, \phi)$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(\theta, \phi) = r_0 \omega \omega'^3 \left( \frac{m^2}{4\epsilon_0^2} \right) \left| \sum_n \frac{(\hat{\epsilon}' \cdot \hat{D}_{bn})(\hat{\epsilon} \cdot \hat{D}_{na})}{\omega_{na} - \omega} + \frac{(\hat{\epsilon} \cdot \hat{D}_{bn})(\hat{\epsilon}' \cdot \hat{D}_{na})}{\omega_{na} + \omega'} \right|^2 \quad (3.42)$$

- describes Raman and Rayleigh
- Angles are hidden in  $\hat{\epsilon} \cdot \hat{D}_{na}$  etc.
- $\hat{\epsilon}$  polarisation of incoming photon,  $\hat{\epsilon}'$  outgoing

To apply to Rayleigh scattering, assume  $|a\rangle \rightarrow |a\rangle$  state, we select a single  $|n\rangle$  in a p-state, as in the picture on page 58. Also  $\hat{\epsilon} \parallel \hat{z}$  again,  $\hat{D}_{na} \parallel \hat{z}$  for same reason as in picture. Also  $\omega = \omega'$  and we assume  $\omega_{na} \gg \omega$  as before.

We finally know  $\hat{\epsilon}' \cdot \hat{D}_{na} \sim \sin \theta$ :



With all these assumptions the cross-section scales like

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \sim \left( \frac{\omega}{\omega_{na}} \right)^4 \sin^2 \theta \quad (3.43)$$

which reproduces main features of the classical result.

We will look more on Raman scattering later, in the context of molecules.



### 3.5. Interactions of many-electron atoms with radiation

All our discussion so far in chapter 3 generalizes from hydrogenic to many electron atoms if we replace the earlier matrix elements, e.g.  $M_{ba}^D$  to

dipole matrix element for many electrons

$$M_{ba}^D = \frac{m \omega_{ba}}{\hbar e} \vec{\epsilon} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^N \langle \phi_b | -e \vec{r}_k | \phi_a \rangle \quad (3.46)$$

• compare with Eq. (3.18)

• since electrons are indistinguishable, we can also write

$$M_{ba}^D = + \frac{N m \omega_{ba}}{\hbar e} \vec{\epsilon} \cdot \langle \phi_b | -e \vec{r}_1 | \phi_a \rangle$$

It turns out that also selection rules generalize:

Selection rules for many electron atoms:

$$\Delta J = 0, \pm 1 \quad (\text{No } J=0 \Rightarrow J'=0)$$

$$\Delta M_J = 0, \pm 1$$

where  $J$  now pertains to the total angular momentum of all electrons.