

ELEMENTS OF MODERN PHYSICS

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Lec 14: Time Dependent Perturbation Theory

So we will talk about time dependent perturbation theory and to distinguish it from the time independent perturbation theory that we have seen in details. Here in addition to removal of degeneracy either partial or complete removal of degeneracy. Here one can also get transition from one state to another. So in addition to removal of degeneracy, there could be transitions and this transition is purely, you know, facilitated by the time dependent term in the Hamiltonian. And so we'll start with the formalism part and then we'll talk about the harmonic perturbation that's harmonic in time.

We'll see how these transition probabilities are from one state to another. In particular, we will talk about a two-level system and in that connection, the spontaneous and stimulated emissions and absorptions as well. And we will draw a parallel with lasers where we talk about the Einstein's AB coefficients. Alright, so let us start with this formalism part and the formalism is this. that we now have a time dependent Hamiltonian or rather the perturbation term is time dependent.

And we have learned it earlier that Ψ of t rather we have this the time independent problem is that you have a Ψ which can be expanded in terms of this C_n and Φ_n where Φ_n is the basis and C_n are the complex coefficients. Now, when you go to the time dependent problems, the basis remains the same. But what you do is that you introduce a time dependence in the C_n s. So this is what we have done. And we have said that this most convenient not to change the basis because every time then at each time there will be a new basis, which is not a convenient model to work with.

So, we will keep the basis the same, and there will be a C_n of t , which can be written as C_n at time t equal to 0, exponential minus $E_n t$ over \hbar cross, and we also have Φ_n , okay. So, this was a, you know, stationary state ansatz, and then we, let us call this equation 1. Okay, so the time dependence, as I said, is carried by these coefficients, and that is how the time evolution of the state Ψ of t proceeds. So, we know that this problem is known,

that is $H_0 \psi_n$, this is equal to $E_n \psi_n$, which is the unperturbed problem. So, this problem is known, okay, and this known problem, let us call it equation 2.

And so we have to solve this equation, which is $i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \psi(t)$. And now this is equal to $H \psi(t)$. And say this ψ can be split into a time dependent, I mean, a time independent part, which is the unperturbed part of the Hamiltonian and say there is a $\lambda H'$, H' is explicitly dependent on time. So, we can put it into the Hamiltonian, and we have this $i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \psi(t)$. This is equal to $H_0 \psi(t) + \lambda H'(t) \psi(t)$, okay. So, now we have a time-dependent problem to solve, and the solutions, you know, will have to be done carefully, and we will still take the same ansatz that we have taken, that is, this ansatz equation 1.

Formalism

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_n c_n |\phi_n\rangle$$

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = \sum_n c_n(t) |\phi_n\rangle$$

$$= \sum_n c_n(0) e^{-iE_n t/\hbar} |\phi_n\rangle \quad (1)$$

$$H_0 |\phi_n\rangle = E_n |\phi_n\rangle \quad ; \text{ known } (2)$$

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |\psi(t)\rangle = H |\psi(t)\rangle$$

$$H = H_0 + \lambda H'(t)$$

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |\psi(t)\rangle = (H_0 + \lambda H'(t)) \psi(t) \quad (3)$$

→ Convert this into an equation for $c_n(t)$.

So, if you take this ansatz and convert this equation to an equation for $c_n(t)$ instead of $\psi(t)$. So, convert this into an equation for $c_n(t)$, okay, which is the same as the Schrodinger equation, just rewritten. In that form and that can be done when you, so you have a summation over n and $i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} c_n(t) + E_n c_n(t) = (E_n + \lambda H'(t)) c_n(t)$, E_n is the, as we said, that is the eigenvalue of this unperturbed problem which is known. So, it is $E_n \psi_n = c_n(t) \psi_n$ and this into exponential minus $i E_n t / \hbar$ and then there is a ψ_n and this is equal to E_n again and plus a $\lambda H'(t) c_n(t) e^{-i E_n t / \hbar}$

t over \hbar cross and ϕ_n . So, this is nothing but the Schrodinger equation expressed in terms of not in terms of ψ of t , but the coefficient C_n of t is just the analogous of the Schrodinger equation. So what you can do is that you can take a scalar product with some, you know, ϕ_m and cancel this exponential minus $i E_m 0 t$ by \hbar cross. Why $i E_m$? Because you take an overlap with this bra ϕ_m . And when you do that, this $\phi_m \phi_n$ will give you a $\delta_{m n}$. And then you have these exponential minus $i E_m 0 T$ by \hbar cross.

And that can cancel from both sides, giving you this equation. Now, because of these Kronecker deltas that come in when you have a $\phi_m \phi_n$, this is equal to a $\delta_{m n}$, and then there is a sum over n . So, the sum really goes away, and you have a term which is like a $dC_m dt$, which we will write as a \dot{C}_m dot, okay. So, you get a $dC_m dt$, which is nothing but \dot{C}_m dot, which is equal to a λ and a $C_n t$ exponential $i E_n 0$ rather $E_m 0$ minus $E_n 0 t$ over \hbar cross and then you have to take the overlap of this ϕ_m , I mean the \hbar prime in between the ϕ_m and the ϕ_n which are the eigenstates of the problem.

So this is the equation that we wanted to get at. And this equation is, you know, I mean, we are really doing first order in λ . So λ can be dropped because we just put that λ to expand the perturbation Hamiltonian. But it was very clear that we are doing first-order perturbation theory because we have kept this term λ , you know, the linear term in λ . So, this λ can be eliminated, and one can write this equation, you know, it is equal to $i \hbar$ cross \dot{c}_m dot.

So, do not miss this dot because this \dot{c}_m dot is equal to $\dot{c}_m dt$. Okay, so make sure that the dot is bold such that one does not miss it. I drop this λ for now, and then we have a \dot{c}_n , and then there is a $c_n t$, which we will write as exponential $i \omega_{m n} t$. Then we have this matrix element of H' prime between the basis states of H_0 . So, this is an important equation that needs to be solved in order to solve the time-dependent problem. It has all the information, including the information about H' prime that needs to be taken into account.

So, in the first order of the perturbation term, what you get is that the wave function has an evolution given by this equation. And this equation, even though you do not see a ψ of t here, but it is exactly this carries the same information as ψ of t in terms of this complex coefficients, which are \dot{C}_m dot of t , which is equal to sum over n and these coefficients and the matrix element of H' prime between the eigenstates of H_0 . And then

there is this ω_{mn} . So, this ω_{mn} is nothing but E_{m0} minus E_{n0} , which are two unperturbed energies, divided by \hbar .

So, you see that these \hbar is absorbed in the step above and E_{m0} minus E_{n0} divided by \hbar becomes ω_{mn} . And this has a solution. So, it is like dC_m/dt . And then one can actually write down an integral solution for this. Because we are now doing this problem in the first-order perturbation theory, we will simply put a sort of index 1.

So we will write this as C_m^1 . Because this 1 would simply indicate that we are really doing first-order perturbation theory. And for all practical purposes, we do not need to go beyond that. However, in some situations where the first-order correction, the splitting, or the transitions for some selection rules go to zero, then one may have to go to second order. But we really do not go into that.

So, your C_m^1 , the solution of this equation is nothing but 1 by $i\hbar$, the $i\hbar$ goes away and now I have these H' , m , k , T' and exponential $i\omega_{mn}t'$ and dt' you see what we have done is that we can of course we can write it mn there is no problem I mean so it was just a dummy variable. So, now this integral, let us say, is from 0 to some t_0 . So, what is H'_{mn} ? So, you have a $\phi_m H' \phi_n$, which is nothing but equal to H'_{mn} .

So, that is a matrix element between these eigenstates m and n . This exponential term was always there. And what you have done is that you have integrated this equation in order to find C_m . And as I said, we have intentionally brought in this superscript 1 within brackets just to make sure that we are doing first-order perturbation theory. And a very important thing is that the perturbation is switched on from 0 to T_0 . So, H' is switched on. That is, you apply this perturbation between some initial time, which can be 0 or even minus infinity, so that it is switched on at very large negative times, and then it is only switched on till a certain time.

So, this 0 to t_0 makes sense. So, that is the one that we have in this particular case. Alright, so this is the equation that we need to you know worry about and how these equation is can be used and so basically if you really think about this that this this equation really gives you this the C_m^1 square gives you the this mod square of this, it gives you a transition probability from some initial state n to some final state m , okay? So, these are the states that are represented by the kets, okay?

So, we will have to calculate that. Alright, so let us specialize it for a particular case so that we can apply this formalism that we have learned. And so, what we do is write down this H' $m n$ is equal to some A_{mn} . Let us not worry about this A_{mn} to be the space part of this matrix element of H . So, that space part would of course lift the degeneracy, and that is what we have handled in the time-independent perturbation theory. Now, we are talking about the time-dependent one.

$$\sum_n \left[i\hbar \frac{dc_n(t)}{dt} + E_n^0 c_n(t) \right] e^{-iE_n^0 t/\hbar} |\phi_n\rangle = \sum_n \left[E_n^0 + \lambda H'(t) \right] c_n(t) e^{-iE_n^0 t/\hbar} |\phi_n\rangle$$

$\langle \phi_m | \phi_n \rangle = \delta_{mn}$

Take an overlap $\langle \phi_m |$

$$i\hbar \dot{c}_m(t) = \lambda \sum_n c_n(t) e^{i(E_m^0 - E_n^0)t/\hbar} \langle \phi_m | H' | \phi_n \rangle$$

$$i\hbar \dot{c}_m(t) = \sum_n c_n(t) e^{i\omega_{mn}t} \langle \phi_m | H' | \phi_n \rangle$$

$\omega_{mn} = \frac{E_m^0 - E_n^0}{\hbar}$

$$c_m^{(U)}(t) = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \int_0^{t_0} H'_{mn}(t') \exp(i\omega_{mn}t') dt'$$

$\langle \phi_m | H' | \phi_n \rangle = H'_{mn}$

$|c_m^{(U)}(t)|^2 \rightarrow$ transition probability from some initial state $|n\rangle \rightarrow |m\rangle$.
 H' is switched on between $0 \rightarrow t_0$.

So, we will only talk about a harmonic term, say for example like this. So, this is an example so that we can apply the first-order perturbation time-dependent perturbation theory that we have learned, okay. So, this is your H' $m n$, sorry, this has to be n . And so, A_{mn} , some matrix element which, you know, A_{mn} is, of course, $\langle \phi_m | H' | \phi_n \rangle$, but only the space part. Okay, so this is what we start with. So, we have a $c_m(t)$, the one that we have written down, and we can take this n state to be equal to the original state.

So, let us just say that your n state is a ground state, okay? So, this is n is equal to 0, say. So, you assume that it is a ground state of the system, and then what you have is that it is a 1 over $i\hbar$ cross A_{mn} and 0 to t_0 dt' and exponential $i\omega_{mn}$ and the t' .

And what we do is that we replace this sine by its exponential forms, which are exponential $i \omega t$ prime minus exponential. See, why am I writing t prime? It is because you are putting it inside an integral. And so, we use a dummy variable so that we can integrate it from 0 to t or here we are talking about 0 to t_0 . So, it is a dummy variable that needs to be integrated over, and that is why we are not using t , but they mean the same thing. So, it is exponential minus $i \omega t$ prime and divided by $2i$, and that is basically the sine ωt part.

where we have used the $\sin \theta$ is equal to exponential $i \theta$ minus exponential minus $i \theta$ divided by $2i$, okay, $2i$, sorry, okay, because your exponential $i \theta$ is $\cos \theta$ plus $i \sin \theta$. Anyway, so that is the thing that you have, and when you do this integral, you have a $m n$ and with a minus $2 \hbar$ cross and then you have a 0 to t_0 and we have a dt prime and we have exponential $i \omega$ plus $\omega m n$ and minus this d prime and exponential I , well, I mean, this can be written in the reverse way such that there is a symmetry and ω and this is like $\omega m n$ minus ω and so on. So, that is the term that we have, and we can integrate this and what we get is this $I a$

$m n$ divided by $2 \hbar$ cross, and we have exponential $I t$ naught, and we have $\omega m n$ plus ω . divided by $\omega m n$ plus ω minus exponential I minus exponential $i t_0 \omega m n$ minus ω So, there is a minus 1 here, and then there is another minus 1 here, and then we have $\omega m n$ minus ω and this. So, what we have done is that we have simply integrated this, and exponential integration is very simple, and then you get these energy denominators appearing there. So, we can measure the probability of transition from some initial state n . You can take this initial state to be any state.

Example

$$H'_{mn}(t) = A_{mn} \sin \omega t$$

$$C_m^{(1)}(t) = \frac{1}{i\hbar} A_{mn} \int_0^{t_0} dt' e^{i\omega_{mn} t'} \left[\frac{e^{i\omega t'} - e^{-i\omega t'}}{2i} \right]$$

$\sin \omega t$

$$= -\frac{A_{mn}}{2\hbar} \int_0^{t_0} dt' \left[e^{i(\omega_{mn} + \omega)t'} - e^{i(\omega_{mn} - \omega)t'} \right]$$

$$= \frac{i A_{mn}}{2\hbar} \left[\frac{e^{i t_0 (\omega_{mn} + \omega)} - 1}{\omega_{mn} + \omega} - \frac{e^{i t_0 (\omega_{mn} - \omega)} - 1}{\omega_{mn} - \omega} \right]$$

$A_{mn} = \langle \phi_m | H' | \phi_n \rangle$

Say $|n\rangle = |0\rangle$ initial

$|m\rangle$: final state

$\sin \theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}}{2i}$

only the space part.

————— $|m\rangle$

————— $|n\rangle$

So, it can be a ground state, and we have not used it, but we have kept it N to be the initial state. So, this is the initial state, and m is the final state. So, like these are two states and this is n and this is m and these mod square of the C_{m1} will give you a transition probability from some initial state that is n to a final state that is m . Okay. So, these transitions are, of course, new for us because we have not seen them in the time-independent perturbation theory. Let us look at these denominators, and these denominators will tell us something.

So, let us, so inside the bracket, so denominator of the first term. And so, we have what happens when the denominator goes to 0, that is like the term, you know, blows up. So, if $\omega_{mn} + \omega$ goes to 0, then what we have is that $E_m - E_n$ divided by $\hbar \omega$. Plus $\omega = 0$. And why we are looking at this blowing up of this term or these denominators goes to 0 is because this ω is a variable frequency, that variable frequency associated with the perturbation term.

So if the perturbation actually clicks or rather it resonates with the energy difference between the two states that we are considering, then there could be a transition because that is going to give you the largest, you know, transition probability. So if you tune your ω , the ω that you are applying as a perturbation, which is equal to the difference between the two energies, then of course you have a sort of large, you know, that ratio becomes very large because this thing goes to zero, your denominator goes to zero, and the transition probability is going to be very large. And that is what we want to see. So, this means that your E_m is equal to $E_n - \hbar \omega$. And so, of course, this means that E_m is less than E_n .

So, that tells you that basically, you know, your H_{mn} , the perturbation term, it takes away energy. And when it takes away energy, it is called absorption, okay. And if you look at the denominator of the second term, when it diverges, basically— So, you have an $\omega_{mn} - \omega$ that is equal to 0, and that gives you finally an E_m equal to $E_n + \hbar \omega$. So, your final state has energy larger than the initial state, and this is called an emission.

Denominator of 1st term:

$$\omega_{mn} + \omega = 0$$

$$\frac{E_m - E_n}{\hbar} + \omega = 0$$

$$E_m = E_n - \hbar\omega$$

H_{mn} takes away energy \rightarrow Absorption

$E_m < E_n$

Denominator of 2nd term:

$$\omega_{mn} - \omega = 0$$

$$E_m = E_n + \hbar\omega$$

\rightarrow Emission

Emission is coming down from a higher state to a lower state, or rather, M is greater than N, and the reverse actually happens when you have absorption. So, this picture that we have is only for the emission part, and when you have the absorption, then you have these lying above this thing. That's also possible. This, you know, the two terms actually have both these possibilities. And so we'll mainly be interested in this emission term, but at the same time, the absorption term can also be considered.

So let's look at the second term and see what happens. So we are interested in the second term. which means that we talk about the conventional picture where E_m is greater than E_n , and we are going to talk about the emission spectrum. So, this is equal to minus I_{mn} divided by $2\hbar$ cross and rewriting it again, it is $I_{mn} \frac{e^{-i\omega_{mn}t}}{\omega_{mn} - \omega}$ divided by $\omega_{mn} - \omega$, okay. So, this is the term that we have.

and we can do just a little bit of mathematical manipulation and can write it as am_n divided by \hbar cross and we have this exponential. So, what I do is that we take out this exponential and or rather we take out half of this exponential such that we can write it in a symmetric fashion. So, it is This is what I take a common here. So it's exponential $i\omega_{mn}t$ by $2\omega_{mn} - \omega$.

This, if it is taken as common, then we can write it. So basically, there is a minus i there. And then there's a $2\hbar$ cross there, which will cancel out because there's a $2i$ there and a sine of $2\omega_{mn}t - \omega t$ and this divided by $\omega_{mn} - \omega$ and so on, okay. So, these two terms, now this 2 will cancel with 2 and this minus i will cancel with i and we are left with these terms which is A_{mn} by \hbar , this half

It is $\frac{1}{2} \omega_{mn} - \omega$ and this sign term which is there. So, this is your that CM1 term only for the emission. So, the second term of CM1 T and what we want is that we want to take the mod square of that to get the transition probability. and this is equal to $|A_{mn}|^2$ mod square by h cross mod square. This term will not be there because you are taking a mod square.

So, this exponential i and there will be exponential minus i coming from the c star and will not give you anything. And then finally, we have a sine square. Now, writing this, let me just write this as α and we have an αt_0 by 2. and divided by some α square okay. So, you can write you know this β equal to αt_0 by 2.

So, you can write a β equal to some αt_0 by 2 Anyway, these are constants. I mean, α is these $\omega_{mn} - \omega$ in the sense that for a given frequency of the perturbation, of course, ω is constant, ω_{mn} is constant and so on. So, we have a form which is the transition probability for emission or the emission probability, but we are just trying to, you know, simplify it so that we can bring it to a form that we can interpret the result. Okay.

Second term. $E_m > E_n$: Emission.

$$C_m^{(1)}(t) = -\frac{i A_{mn}}{2\hbar} \left[\frac{e^{i t_0 (\omega_{mn} - \omega)} - 1}{\omega_{mn} - \omega} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\alpha A_{mn}}{\alpha \hbar} \left[e^{\frac{i t_0 (\omega_{mn} - \omega)}{2}} \right] \left[\frac{\alpha \sin \left\{ \frac{\alpha t_0 (\omega_{mn} - \omega)}{2} \right\}}{\omega_{mn} - \omega} \right]$$

$$|C_m^{(1)}(t)|^2 = \left| \frac{A_{mn}}{\hbar} \right|^2 \frac{\sin^2 \frac{\alpha t_0}{2}}{\alpha^2}$$

$$\beta = \frac{\alpha t_0}{2}$$

So, use this β there, and what we have is that we have a CM1 T square only the emission part is equal to $|A_{mn}|^2$ by h cross mod square of that. $\sin^2 \beta$ divided by β^2 and a constant which is coming because of this α to β transformation, which is T^2 by 4, and anyway, that is a constant. So, what is important for us is this

term: $\sin^2 \beta$ by β^2 . This is called a sinc function. It's like a $\sin x$ by x square of that.

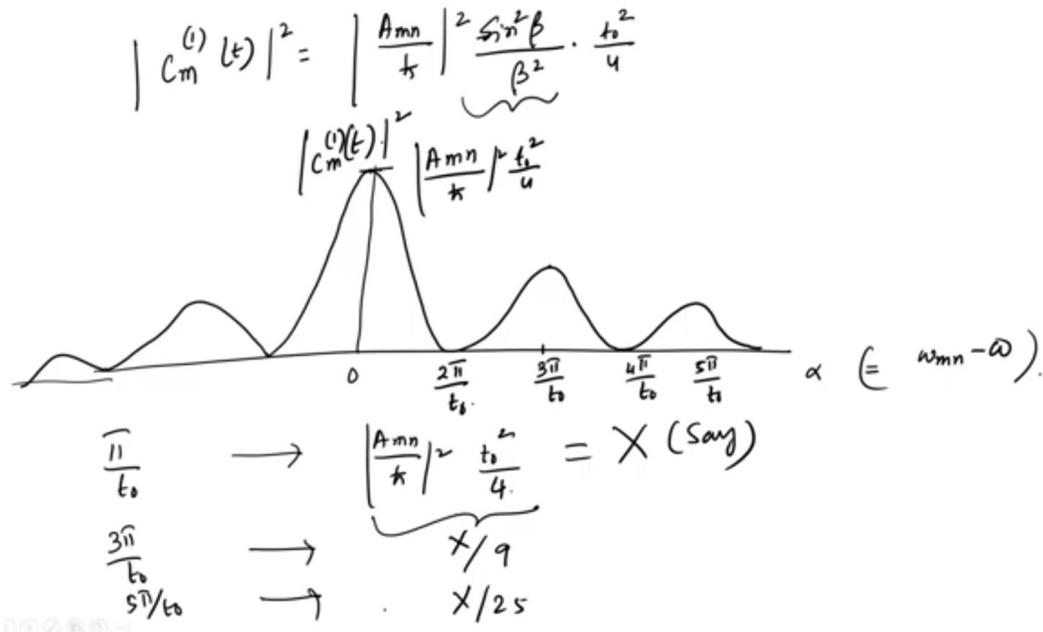
So, it's like $\sin^2 x$ by x^2 . And you can actually plot this function. I'll do a freehand plot. But you can do it on a computer, and it will be like there will be a central peak which is maximum, and then the subsequent peaks will be smaller and smaller and smaller and so on. Well, it's symmetric.

Do not mind too much about this, you know, details of the drawing, but it's, of course, symmetric. So, this is your CM^2 mod square of that being plotted. And this is as a function of α . Which is nothing but ω minus ω . So, that is being plotted as a function of that.

And of course, you can also call it as it is basically, so what we plot is $\sin^2 \beta$ by β^2 . And this peak value, this peak value is equal to a $m \cdot n$ by h cross square into t^2 by 4. That's when the $\sin^2 \beta$ by β^2 equals 1. And this will happen at the 0, will happen at 2π over t_0 .

I mean, so this α equal to 0 and this will happen at, you know, this is like 3π over t_0 . And we have 4π over T_0 and symmetrically on the other side as well. And all these are like 5π over T_0 . This is in terms of α . So, π over T_0 that corresponds to a value which is a $m \cdot n$ by h cross squared.

and T_0^2 over π^2 , okay, T_0^2 over 4, sorry, not π^2 , that is 4. And similarly, the 3π by T_0 , this will be this term and divided by 9, this whole thing divided by 9 and 5π by T_0 will correspond to this whole thing. I mean, so let us call this quantity to be equal to say x , say. So, this X by 9 and X by 25 and so on so forth.



So, these are the values that go down as you move away from the central maxima. So, the physically it means that if your perturbation term has a frequency that matches exactly with the level spacing, the energy difference between the two levels. then there is a large emission probability that is there for alpha equal to 0, which corresponds to omega mn equal to omega. As you go away on either of the sides, that is, you make omega to be larger or omega to be smaller, you see that the intensity of this emission spectrum or the probability of emission decreases very quickly.

At times, 2π by T_0 , it just has a zero. So, there is no emission happening. That happens because of the sine squared beta by beta squared. And at 3π by T_0 , it has a value which is one-ninth of the value seen at alpha equal to 0. And then it becomes one-twenty-fifth of the value seen at these,

5π by T_0 , and so on and so forth. So, this conclusively shows that it really goes down quickly and so on. All right. So, this is, in a nutshell, what perturbation theory is, and we can write down or rather get a little closer to what experimentalists would do or would like you to do, because this is just a transition probability.

It has to be multiplied by the energy density of radiation and speed of light and various things in order to actually transform it into intensity because the intensity of light is what you measure in experiment or rather you see that on the screen or on a spectrograph. So, that is an important quantity and this can be actually, you know, one can get a sort of one-

to-one correspondence if you think that. So, once we get this intensity of these or rather this transition probability for this radiation or rather this emission transition, then the intensity of EM wave This is given by $I = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c E_0^2$ which is associated with the electric field and c is the speed of light. So, if you want to write this as say $\frac{CM}{4T}$, this can be written in terms of all these quantities which are

say half and then you have this \sin^2 and these I divided by $\epsilon_0 c h$ cross square and these you know sine square. I will simply write it as sine square beta by beta square now you know with this T_0^2 over 4. So, this is the same thing expressed in terms of intensity and so on. So, this intensity can be replaced by the speed of light and the energy density of radiation. So, this quantity is nothing but the energy density of radiation between a frequency ω and $\omega + d\omega$.

Okay, so this transition probability ultimately leads me to this expression. Let us call it as γ_{mn} . You can write it as $\frac{2 \epsilon_0 c h}{4 T_0^2} \sin^2$ and we have this \sin^2 . and it is actually an average—you know, this average is required to account for all available frequencies. So, that you have this \sin^2 and then this sine square, I will not open this thing, I will still write it as sine square beta by beta square and we have this T_0^2 by 4 that is coming in that can be pulled out and then we have this $d\omega$ and this is over all frequencies I mean 0 to infinity, okay.

So, that is really the transition probability. But nevertheless, I mean, if you do not want to do these transformations, your $\frac{CM}{4T}$ theoretically still conveys the same meaning apart from certain constants that you see appearing because of this, you know, all these transformations from one sort of variable to another where we brought in the intensity and then this intensity was, you know, later on written as in terms of the energy density and so on and so forth. Okay. So, let us go back and do a simpler problem. The simpler problem is just a two-level problem where, instead of m, n , we will simply talk about 1 and 2. So, let us see what that comes to.

Intensity of the EM wave

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c E_0^2.$$

$$|C_m^{(1)}(t)|^2 = \frac{1}{2} |A_{mn}|^2 \frac{I}{\epsilon_0 c \hbar^2} \left[\frac{\sin^2 \beta}{\beta^2} \right] \frac{t_0^2}{4}.$$

$$I \rightarrow \int_0^\infty c u(\omega) d\omega$$

$$P_{mn} = \frac{1}{2 \epsilon_0 c \hbar^2} \langle |A_{mn}| \rangle \int_0^\infty u(\omega) \frac{\sin^2 \beta}{\beta^2} \left(\frac{t_0}{4} \right) d\omega.$$

So, time-dependent perturbation theory for a two-level problem. So, we will call it time-dependent perturbation theory (TDPT) for two-level systems. So, let us say these levels are psi a and psi b, they were labeled as m and n, but now we just talk about a psi a and psi b. So, the C is equal to C a psi a plus some C b psi b and of course, this C a and C b are dependent on time for these time dependent cases. So, psi of t is nothing but C a exponential minus I a 0 t over h cross psi of a plus C b exponential minus E b 0 by t by h cross psi of b. So, that is the time-dependent thing, and we of course know that H0 psi a is equal to E a 0 psi a and H0 psi b, which are the unperturbed eigenstates of the problem, E B 0 psi b, with well-defined energies E0 b and E0 a.

And these well-defined energies help us to build up the wave function at subsequent times. And we can, you know, now we need to find C a t and C b t. And what you do is, if you put these ansatzs into the Schrödinger equation, let us call this ansatzs as 1. So, put this unsuds in H psi equal to i h cross del psi del t or d psi dt, what you get is that you get, you know, because you have two terms that you need to—your psi of t, there is a function of t which I left.

So, when you take a derivative for the right-hand side to be calculated, the derivative will involve two terms, both dependent on t. So, to apply the chain rule by taking a derivative of one, keeping the other constant, and then repeating the process in the reversed order. So what you get is two coupled equations, and these two coupled equations will tell you that, if you see some cancellation, I will not repeat some really trivial steps here. You can do it. I hope you understand what has been said. So you have this H, which has to be operated on psi.

So you write H of ψ , this ψ . And the right-hand side requires you to take a time derivative. And while taking the time derivative of these under-braced terms, there are two terms, and some of them will cancel, and you will have a \dot{C}_a . That is the equation of motion for C_a , which is nothing but the Schrödinger equation, equal to minus i by \hbar cross t . $C_a H'_{aa}$. Now, the C_a means really that you have C_a at 0 . and then, you know, the C_b or, you know, let us not specify this.

TDPT for 2 level systems.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & H_0 |\psi_a\rangle = E_a^0 |\psi_a\rangle \\
 & H_0 |\psi_b\rangle = E_b^0 |\psi_b\rangle
 \end{aligned}
 \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} H_0 |\psi_a\rangle = E_a^0 |\psi_a\rangle \\ H_0 |\psi_b\rangle = E_b^0 |\psi_b\rangle \end{aligned}} \right\}$$

$$|\psi\rangle = C_a |\psi_a\rangle + C_b |\psi_b\rangle$$

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = C_a^{(t)} e^{-iE_a^0 t/\hbar} |\psi_a\rangle + C_b^{(t)} e^{-iE_b^0 t/\hbar} |\psi_b\rangle \quad (1)$$

Find $C_a(t)$, $C_b(t)$.

Put $\psi(t)$ in $H\psi = i\hbar \frac{d\psi}{dt}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \dot{C}_a(t) &= -\frac{i}{\hbar} \left[C_a H'_{aa} + C_b H'_{ab} e^{-i(E_b - E_a)t/\hbar} \right] \\
 \dot{C}_b(t) &= -\frac{i}{\hbar} \left[C_b H'_{bb} + C_a H'_{ba} e^{-i(E_a - E_b)t/\hbar} \right]
 \end{aligned}
 \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} \dot{C}_a(t) = \dots \\ \dot{C}_b(t) = \dots \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{coupled equations.}$$

$H'_{aa} = H'_{bb} = 0$

So, this is C_b and H'_{ab} and exponential minus $i(E_b - E_a)t/\hbar$, and the other term will become equal to \dot{C}_b . This is equal to minus i by \hbar cross $C_b H'_{bb}$ $C_a H'_{ab}$ exponential minus $i(E_a - E_b)t/\hbar$, and those are the two coupled equations that you need to solve. See this is important because the time derivative of C_a requires the knowledge of C_a and C_b at time t equal to 0 and same that \dot{C}_b also requires the time evolution of or rather the you know the knowledge about C_b and C_a at time t equal to 0 and these energy terms are there which are between I mean like the energy differences, okay. Now, it is almost natural to assume that or it is easy to understand as well that the perturbation term will not have any matrix elements between the same states. So, these terms which connect the state to itself by H' that is not happen because your H' is explicitly dependent on time.

So, this term will have a time, meaning there is an ω associated with it; there is a frequency associated with it. So, these terms will only have matrix elements with the other state, meaning A will have a matrix element with B , and B will have a matrix

element with A. But these terms are usually equal to 0. So, there is no matrix element of H prime between the diagonal states or between the same states. So, this is equal to 0.

That, of course, simplifies this equation or the set of equations. It is like a C A dot. t, this is equal to minus i over h cross, Cb H prime ab exponential minus i e b minus e a t by h cross, and also you have a Cb dot. which is equal to minus I over h cross C A H prime B A exponential minus I E A minus E B T over h cross, okay. So, it simplifies the equation that there are no diagonal elements, and it is only the off-diagonal elements; nevertheless, it is coupled, basically.

So, if at t equal to 0, the system starts from the state A, which means at t equal to 0, say this is for an example. So, at t equal to 0, you have the system starting from psi A. That means C A 0 is equal to 1 and C B 0 equal to 0. Now, at time t, say the system is found in this, so this psi B will, if it is found in psi B, then it is equal to C B equal to Cb at time t equal to 1 and Cb at time, Ca at time t equal to 0, okay.

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{C}_a(t) &= -\frac{i}{\hbar} C_b H'_{ab} e^{-i(E_b - E_a)t/\hbar} \\ \dot{C}_b(t) &= -\frac{i}{\hbar} C_a H'_{ba} e^{-i(E_a - E_b)t/\hbar} \end{aligned}$$

Solving At $t=0$, $|\psi_a\rangle \rightarrow C_a(0)=1, C_b(0)=0.$
 $t=t$, $|\psi_b\rangle \rightarrow C_b(t)=1, C_a(t)=0.$

So, that tells you that the system has made the transition from one state to another, and if you are talking about the emission, then A is a lower state, a lower energy state, and the other one, B, is a higher energy state, okay. So, we need to, you know, kind of put these things in perspective and let us talk about this Einstein's AB coefficients and see that how all these things that we have learned from the first order time dependent perturbation theory and how it can be applied to these properties of laser. So, we will do a semi-classical picture and we will introduce these Einstein's coefficients. And we have this as a picture. So, we have this state as state 1 and this state as 2.

Or you can call it AB, whatever you want to call it. And let me now use color. So, let's use three colors, for example. So, there's a maroon color we have done. So, let's call that as A21.

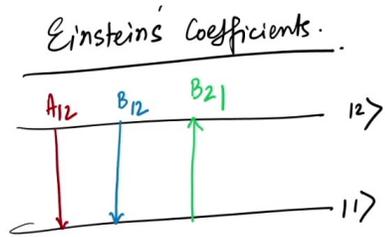
We'll tell you what A_{21} is. So, these are these m_n 's, because we are talking about 2 and 1, so this is called, you know, the emission. This is one of the emissions; we will define it as spontaneous or stimulated. So, let us use another color, let us use, for example, blue, and this blue color would correspond to a B. 1, 2, or, sorry, this is $B_{1,2}$, because this is defined as 1, 2. We will do that in just a while. So, 1, 2, and let us choose another color, maybe a green one, where we show it.

So, this is a B_{21} . So, let us just define them now. So, these A's are A and B are Einstein's AB coefficients. These are called A and B coefficients. I repeat this A and B twice, but the ones we are using are called Einstein's A-B coefficients.

So, the A coefficient stands for spontaneous emission. So, it is spontaneously emitted, and when you write it like this, it actually means that A_{12} —the target state or the final state is written first, and the initial state is written later, okay. And the B coefficient actually represents induced emission or absorption. Okay, so the transition probability for spontaneous emission is per unit time, basically.

This is equal to A_{12} , and the transition probabilities for induced emission, again per unit time, this is equal to B_{12} , but it also depends upon the energy density of radiation. So, we write it as $B_{12} \omega$. So, the transition probability for induced absorption per unit time—this absorption and this is equal to $b_{21} u \omega$ okay.

So, at a steady state when all these upward and downward transitions are equal that is no more transition is happening. So, at steady state, you have N_2 which is the occupancy of atoms in the state 2 that multiplied by A_{12} plus $B_{12} U \omega$, this is equal to $U \omega$ as we have said that it is energy density of radiation. is equal to $n_1 b_{21} u \omega$. So, if you do this, if you just open this bracket, so it is a_{12} plus $b_{12} u \omega$, this is equal to n_1 by $n_2 b_{21} u \omega$.



A & B are Einstein's A & B Coefficients.
 A : spontaneous emission.
 B : induced emission/absorption.

Transition probability for spontaneous emission / time = A_{12} .
 " " " induced " / time = $B_{12} u_{\omega}$.
 " " " " " absorption / time = $B_{21} u_{\omega}$.

At steady state,
 $N_2 (A_{12} + B_{12} u_{\omega}) = N_1 B_{21} u_{\omega}$
 $A_{12} + B_{12} u_{\omega} = \frac{N_1}{N_2} B_{21} u_{\omega}$

And so, your E_2 minus E_1 is basically the perturbation term, which is basically the frequency of the perturbation. So, $h \nu$. Now, we also know from Boltzmann statistics that n_1 by n_2 is nothing but exponential of E_2 minus E_1 divided by kT , the occupancies of these two states at a temperature T would be given by this, which is nothing but exponential $h \nu$ by kT . So, this ratio that you got here N_1 by N_2 at a temperature T is nothing but this exponential $h \nu$ by kT . So, basically the transition rate that you get here is that, so minus dN_2 by N_2 , it is like a beta T , which is like a radioactive decay with inverse of beta as the lifetime and so on.

So, that tells us that if you want to have a one to one correspondence and using the steady state equation, if you want to calculate the this U_{ω} , then the U_{ω} would look like this. So, $B_{12} u_{\omega}$ this is equal to exponential $h \nu$ by kT $B_{21} u_{\omega}$ and so u_{ω} this is equal to A_{12} divided by exponential $h \nu$ by kT into B_{21} minus B_{12} and so on. So, that is the energy density of radiation and if you compare with the Planck's formula for the radiation intensity, I mean this energy density, then it looks like this $h \nu$ square by $\pi^2 c^3$ and divided by $e^{-h \nu / kT} - 1$. So, this is Planck's law or Planck's law of blackbody radiation.

$$E_2 - E_1 = \hbar\omega$$

$$\frac{N_1}{N_2} = e^{(E_2 - E_1)/k_B T} = e^{\hbar\omega/k_B T}$$

$$- \frac{dN_2}{N_2} = \beta \hbar\omega$$

$$A_{12} + B_{12} u_\omega = e^{\hbar\omega/k_B T} B_{21} u_\omega$$

$$u_\omega = \frac{A_{12}}{e^{\hbar\omega/k_B T} B_{21} - B_{12}}$$

Planck's law:

$$= \frac{\hbar\omega^3}{\pi^2 c^3} \frac{1}{e^{\hbar\omega/k_B T} - 1}$$

So, you see that it is very easy to see that this and B12 is the same as B21, to remind you that B12 and B21 are these things which we have mentioned here. So, this B12 and B21 are these transition probabilities for induced emission and induced absorption. So, they are the same, and not only that, your A12. by B12 from this comparison gives you h cross omega cube divided by pi square c cube that tells you that A12 is equal to h cross omega cube by pi square c cube into B12.

$$B_{12} = B_{21}$$

3 coefficients.

$$\frac{A_{12}}{B_{12}} = \frac{\hbar\omega^3}{\pi^2 c^3}$$

$$A_{12} = \frac{\hbar\omega^3}{\pi^2 c^3} B_{12}$$

There is really one independent Einstein's coefficient..

So, there are three coefficients and two relations that you have. One relation is that two of them are exactly the same, and the other relation is that the third one, that is A12, has a relationship with either B12 or B21, which are the same, which means there is really one independent Einstein coefficient. So we have calculated the transition probability the

CM1 square and then have you know gone ahead and said simplified it for just a two level problem and then these transition probabilities have shown to have a sharply peak structure at resonance and as you move away from resonance the probability of transition, or the transition probability, drastically goes down.

And then using a semi-classical picture, we have calculated the Einstein's coefficients from the energy density, comparing it with the energy density of the blackbody radiation. And this sort of concludes. Of course, we have not done any example problems, which will be dealt with in the assignments or the tutorials. And so, we have introduced this time-dependent perturbation theory and have explained how, in addition to the removal of degeneracy, which was already done by the space part or the spatial part of the perturbation, this causes transitions between one state and another.

And that's an important thing. I mean, and these are related to the lasing action where there are, you know, the atoms are being either, you know, pulled up from one lower state to a higher state, which are induced absorption, or there could be two other processes, which are spontaneous emission. Induced emission. These coefficients can be calculated from all the CM 1 square mod square that we have started with and we have told how for a harmonic perturbation these transition probabilities look like. So we will stop here and we will continue with some more things, particularly these what are called as a Clebsch-Gordon coefficients, etc., which need to be done and explained. It is a little complicated if one has not done it before, but I hope I will be able to explain how it works.

Thank you. Thank you.