

EE236
Homework 9
Solution

1) The number of downward transitions is proportional to N_2 and $(n+1)$ where n is the number of photons in the mode.

The number of upward transitions is proportional to N_1 and n

To have absorption rate = emission rate

$$\frac{N_2(n+1)}{N_1(n)} = 1$$

$$\frac{N_2}{N_1} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) = 1$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) = \frac{N_1}{N_2}$$

$$\frac{1}{n} = \frac{N_1}{N_2} - 1$$

$$n = \left(\frac{N_1}{N_2} - 1\right)^{-1}$$

We can then use the Blackbody equation, substituting this for

the number of photons in a mode
(5.7-5)

$$\rho(\nu) = \frac{8\pi h n^2 \nu^3}{c^3} \left(\frac{N_1}{N_2} - 1 \right)^{-1}$$

as $N_2 \rightarrow N_1$, this goes to infinity

2) We will still have

$$(W_{21}')_i = B_{21} \rho(\nu)$$

$$(W_{12}')_i = B_{12} \rho(\nu)$$

$$W_{21}' = B_{21} \rho(\nu) + A$$

$$W_{12}' = B_{12} \rho(\nu)$$

but $\rho(\nu)$ will be an energy density per unit area, for a particular cavity with d

We now need to calculate the density of modes per unit area

the area of k -space for $|k| < k$ is $\pi |k|^2$

and the average area per mode is $\left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^2$

where L is the length of the cavity in the two "long" dimensions

we also have 2 polarizations per mode

$$N(k) = 2 \frac{\pi |k|^2}{\left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^2}$$

$$N(k) = \frac{\pi k^2 L^2}{2\pi^2} = \frac{k^2 A}{2\pi} \quad A = \text{Area}$$

$$k = 2\pi \nu \frac{n}{c}$$

$$\frac{N(\nu)}{A} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(2\pi \nu \frac{n}{c}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{N(\nu)}{A} = 2\pi \left(\frac{n}{c}\right)^2 \nu^2$$

$$P_{\text{area}}(\nu) = 4\pi \left(\frac{n}{c}\right)^2 \nu$$

we then have an energy density per unit area and frequency

$$P_{\text{area}}(\nu) = 4\pi \left(\frac{n}{c}\right)^2 \nu \left(\frac{h\nu}{e^{(h\nu/kT)} - 1}\right)$$

we then have

$$N_2 W_{21}' = N_1 (W_{12})$$

$$N_2 (\beta_{21} \rho_A(\nu) + A) = N_1 \beta_{12} \rho_A(\nu)$$

where $\frac{N_2}{N_1} = \frac{g_2}{g_1} e^{-h\nu/KT}$

and plugging in $\rho_A(\nu)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{g_2}{g_1} e^{-h\nu/KT} \left(\beta_{21} 4\pi \left(\frac{h}{c}\right)^2 h\nu^2 \left(\frac{1}{e^{h\nu/KT} - 1}\right) + A \right) \\ = \beta_{12} 4\pi \left(\frac{h}{c}\right)^2 h\nu^2 \left(\frac{1}{e^{h\nu/KT} - 1}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{4\pi \left(\frac{h}{c}\right)^2 h\nu^2}{(e^{h\nu/KT} - 1)} = \frac{A (\rho_{\nu/21})}{\beta_{12} e^{h\nu/KT} - \beta_{21} (\rho_{\nu/g_1})}$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta_{12} = \beta_{21} \frac{g_2}{g_1}$$

$$\frac{A}{\beta_{21}} = 4\pi \left(\frac{h}{c}\right)^2 h\nu^2$$

3)

$$\Delta \nu_D = 2 \nu_0 \sqrt{\frac{2kT}{Mc^2} \ln 2}$$

$$M_{Na} = 20 \times 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ (kg)}$$

$$\Delta \nu_D \sim 2 \times 10^8 \text{ Hz}$$

For the common 6328 Å
(red) line

this is inhomogeneous broadening