

# USER GUIDE For the simulation of Laser cooling of particles

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This document gives an introduction to the use of the C++ Laser Cooling code described in PHYSICAL REVIEW A 89, 043410 (2014) and available on git: <https://github.com/dcompara/Laser-interaction-in-fields>. The program solves the rate equations to study laser excitation, forces (scattering + dipolar + magnetic + electric + coulombian interactions). It has been developed under Code::Blocks and Windows. The inputs are 2 external files describing the levels (with information about their energy + linear or quadratic Stark, Zeeman effect) and the transitions lines (dipole transitions, photodetachment or photoionization cross sections) Then a file named Liste.Param.h contains parameters to run the simulation such as sample size, temperature, magnetic fields and for the laser beams (waist size and position, polarisation, power, linewidth, wavelength, ...). When running, the program calculates at time  $t$  all absorption and emission rates. Then a Kinetic Monte Carlo algorithm gives the exact time  $t+dt$  for an event (absorption or emission) compare this time to a typical external motion time then it evolves in motion and event. The output is written in a file containing relevant information such as population in given levels and statistics about velocities (temperature), potential energy ... Output is also performed through 3D snapshots. **Any modifications, bugs, improvement, ... should be refereed to Daniel.Comparat@u-psud.fr**

## I. INTRODUCTION

The program solves the rate equations, for spontaneous, absorption and stimulated-emission. It studies laser excitation and motion under external forces (scattering + dipolar + magnetic + electric + gravity) and take into account N-body coulombian interactions and Lorentz forces if charged particles. The momentum recoil is also implemented. The algorithm and detail of some calculations can be found on the appendix of [1], thus I will not recall it here. But to run the code you do not need to read it!

In brief it requires: Windows (Linux might be possible but I did not write this guide for it) and Code::Blocks. Then the program requires:

### 1. input files

- levels: containing their energy + linear or quadratic Stark, Zeeman effects.
- lines: containing the dipole transitions or some cross sections such as for photodetachment or photodissociation.

### 2. File with parameters (named Liste.Param.h): contains parameters needed to run the code (sample size, temperature, magnetic fields, laser parameters, ...)

The file Liste.Param.h contains a lot of lines with comments, **so read them carefully!**. As a single example, if you do not change the initialization of the random number generator in this file, the simulation will always be the same when you run a new simulation (which is good for debug!).

Liste.Param.h is not an header file and it will not be compiled when compiling the project files. The .h is here simply because it is opened by the text editor.

### 3. Laser Shaping

If needed (for optical pumping of molecules for instance) each laser can be spectrally shaped using files such as Laser\_Spectrum[1].dat for the second laser.

### 4. Output:

A 3D visual output help to see in "real" time the evolution of the sample. But informations at given time intervals are written in a file (donnee.Mol.dat).

You will probably have to modify the file Sortie\_donnee.cpp depending on what output you want.

To run the code it is not required to understand it. But briefly, at time  $t$ : the program calculates all absorption and emission rates for all particles (so the most important part of the code is the function rates\_molecule). Then Kinetic Monte Carlo algorithm gives exact time  $t+dt$  for event (absorption or emission) compare this time to the time for the

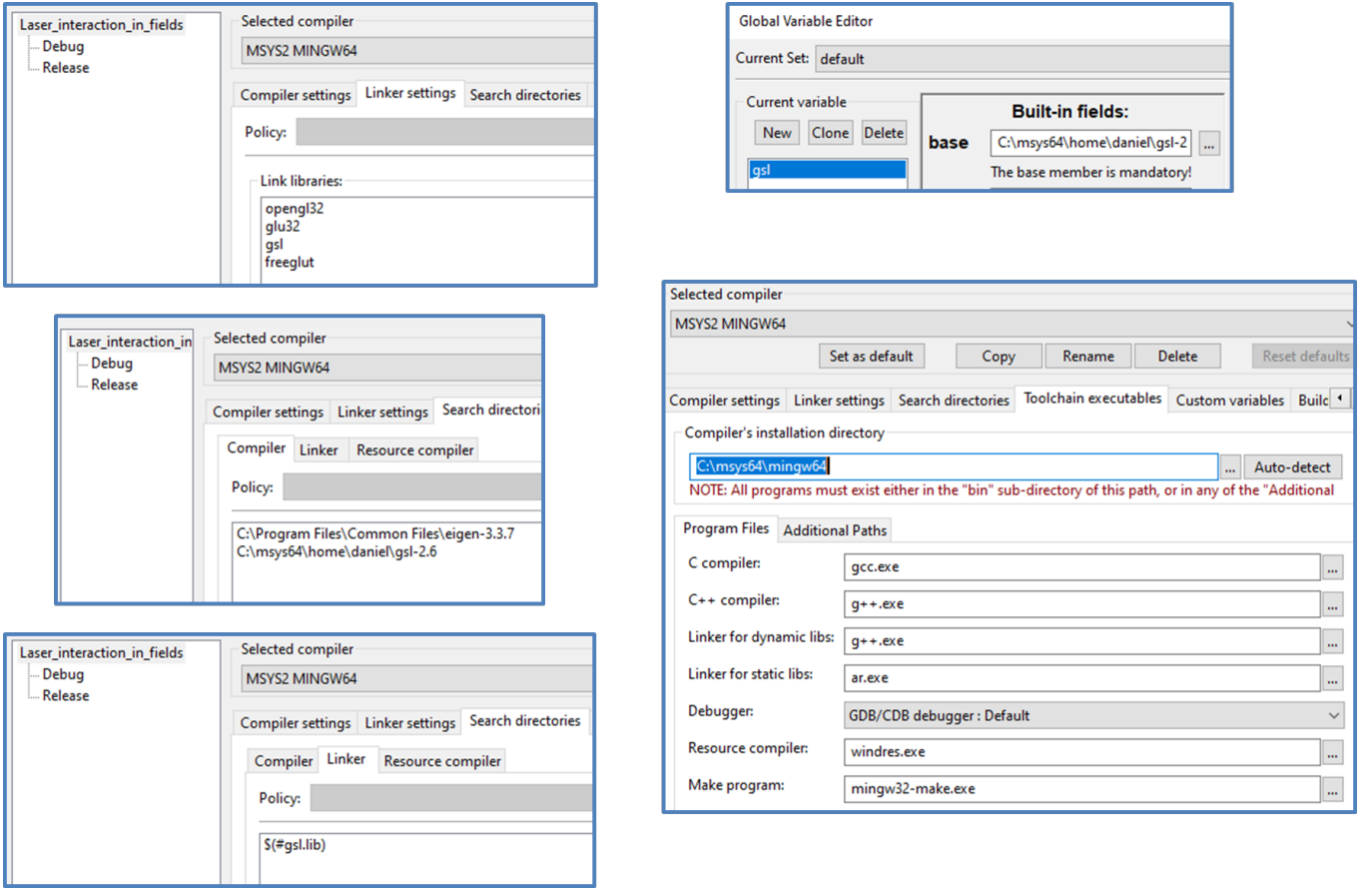


FIG. 1: Example of possible installation (in the case of the simple gsl 1-13). To put either in the Settings/Compiler directory, either in the Project/Build options one.

external motion. Finally it evolves all particles in motion to realize the event. A more detailed explanation is given at the end of this guide in section VI?

An update on the modifications done in the code can be find in `Modif_code_rate_eq.txt` but you have the last version so in principle you do not have to read it.

In the following section you will have more informations about each files.

## II. CODE::BLOCKS INSTALLATION

If you are not at all familiar with CodeBlock I suggest that you follow a small tutorial such as <http://www.codeblocks.org/user-manual>.

You may have to adapt the following names for your own installation. **But, you first need to install Code::Blocks (also called Codeblocks) the free C++ IDE, as well as some scientific and 3D-visual libraries (GLUT, GSL, Eigen, ...).** It will always be the same idea for all packages: put the headers (.h) in an `\include`, the .lib (or .a) in a `\lib` and the .dll files of the packages in a `\bin` directory that the code and the compiler will find. For this we have to configure the project → build options as in Fig. 1.

### A. 64bits

I modify the code to run on 64bits, for the 32bits version see section II C. The steps are:

1. Install last stable version of codeblocks: a mingw-setup.exe binary file from [www.codeblocks.org/](http://www.codeblocks.org/) (we need

MinGW: a contraction of "Minimalist GNU for Windows"). It will install the codeblocks in a directory such as C:\Program Files\CodeBlocks (see note [5]).

If you want the newest codeblocks version you can download the last version from the Nightly built: <http://forums.codeblocks.org/index.php/board,20.0.html> : download three .7z files, unzip them (you need 7Zip) in CodeBlocks directory by replacing all the old files with them.

## 2. Eigen Library

To be able to diagonalize an hamiltonian, we need to install the very good library <http://eigen.tuxfamily.org> package and unzip it.

Then depending on your location you will have to modify the search directories in the Project Build Options. For me it is C:\Program Files\Common Files\eigen-3.3.7

## 3. 64bit installer (MSYS2 MinGW)

Even if codeblocks is now in 64bits we need MSYS (a contraction of "Minimal SYStem"), and not Cygwin which lead to a lot of problems, to create some packages (gsl for instance). So get an installer of MSYS2 MinGW w64-bit and run it. Then using the package manager (pacman) do:

- `pacman -Syu`
- `pacman -Syu base-devel` (then make the selection that avoids pacman: typically 1-39,41-58 that avoids pacman at number 40 in this example)
- `pacman -Syu mingw-w64-x86_64-toolchain` (then choose all)

## 4. C++ 64bits compiler

Codeblocks provide a gcc mingw64 bit compiler but, because when building packages by msys2 the .h, .lib and .dll will be directly put on msys2 \include, \lib and \bin directories it is simpler to use the msys2 compiler because it will automatically find these files.

To change compiler go to codeblocks Settings/compiler/ and select the default compiler and copy, give a name, for example MSYS2 MINGW64. Go to Settings/compiler/GlobalCompilerSettings/ToolchainExecutables" to set the path of MinGW64 installed at the beginning: C:/msys64/mingw64. If needed (probably not) change file names in the "program files" tab of executable toolchain (you will find the names in the bin folder of mingw64).

Then in Project / Build options... you have to select the right compiler (the MSYS2 MINGW6 should be at the very bottom of the list)

## 5. (free)glut

In the MSYS2 MINGW 64bit window launch

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pacman -S mingw-w64-x86_64-freeglut
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This automatically copy the files from \include, \lib and \bin (the 64bits ones) directories of freeglut in the correspondings \include, \lib and \bin of the C:/msys64/mingw64 directory.

## 6. 64bits gsl= GNU Scientific Library (for 32 bits see note [6])

Retrieve the last GSL folder, for example gsl-2.6, unzip it for instance in C:\msys64\home\daniel and install with MSYS2 :

- `cd gsl-2.6`
- `./configure`
- `make`
- `make install`

For GSL you need to create a Global Variable gsl in settings (global variable) of code::blocks with the address where you have installed GSL (for example C:\msys64\home\Daniel\gsl-2.6) and add in the project → build option → search directory → linker \$(#gsl.lib)

Obviously you then need in the project → build options → search directories the proper one.

## B. Just run the code

### 1. Codeblocks configuration

The main think you have to do to make the code compiling is to make sure that codeblocks find the files you want (the Eigen, gsl or GLUT ones), the headers (the .h), the library (the .a or .lib files) and the way for windows to handle (the .dll files). An example of what should be done is given in Fig. 1.

In the linker option you need to add the needed libraries related to the function you use in the code so opengl32, glu32, gsl, freeglut.

For instance for freeglut this mean that the compiler has to look for a library file such as libfreeglut.a or freeglut.lib and for the corresponding .dll

If you have some problems, may be you need to add your compiler \bin path (for instance C:\msys64\MinGW64\bin) to the Path of the System Environment Variables (look at "How to add to the Path on Windows 10")

### 2. speed consideration

Finally, if wanted, you can increase the speed by looking to project → Build option → Compiler and choose your processor (mine is Intel Core i7). However I almost never find any speed increase (on the contraty so be careful).

For a speed up, you can also use Ctrl+Alt+del and Process → to change priority of the program from Normal to high in Windows.

## C. Comment on 32 bits codeblocks version.

All this should work if you use a 64 bit computer. For a 32 bit computer you should use the 32bit GSL version (cf above note and see <https://sourceforge.net/p/mingw-w64/wiki2/GeneralUsageInstructions/> to understant the complex notations files or directories[you can have a 32 (or 64) bit computer, and use old 32 bit library but at the end produce an executable that work on a 64bit computer] so names – such as i686-w64-mingw32, x86\_86-w64-mingw32, gcc-mingw-w64-i686 – provide this information i386 or i686 or x32 mean a 32-bit and x64 (or sometimes x86\_64 or) mean a 64-bit.

## III. SHORT OVERVIEW

### A. Overview of the Program

You do not need to know the code in detail, but an overview of its C++ structure is given in the Figures 2 and 3.

Figure 2 gives the list of the basic structure or classes used such as lasers or fields. Molecules are just seen as Levels, Lines and their positions and velocities.

Figure 3 is the core of the code with the main evolution summarized in the Main\_laser\_cooling.cpp program, that is usually the only code that you may have to modify (with the output one: sortie.donnee). As you see the code as still some French in it such as:

- donnee = data
- affichage = plot
- sortie = output
- champ = field

## Class or structures in the program

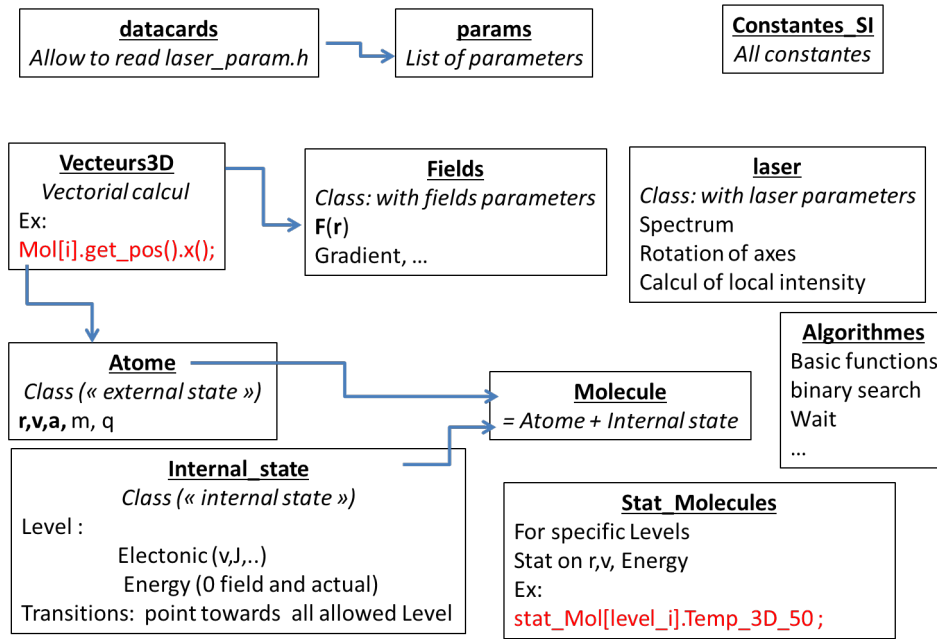


FIG. 2: Schematic of the structure and some basics functions used by the code. The blocks are the different files (.cpp or .h) present with their names in bold and an quick explanation of what they do.

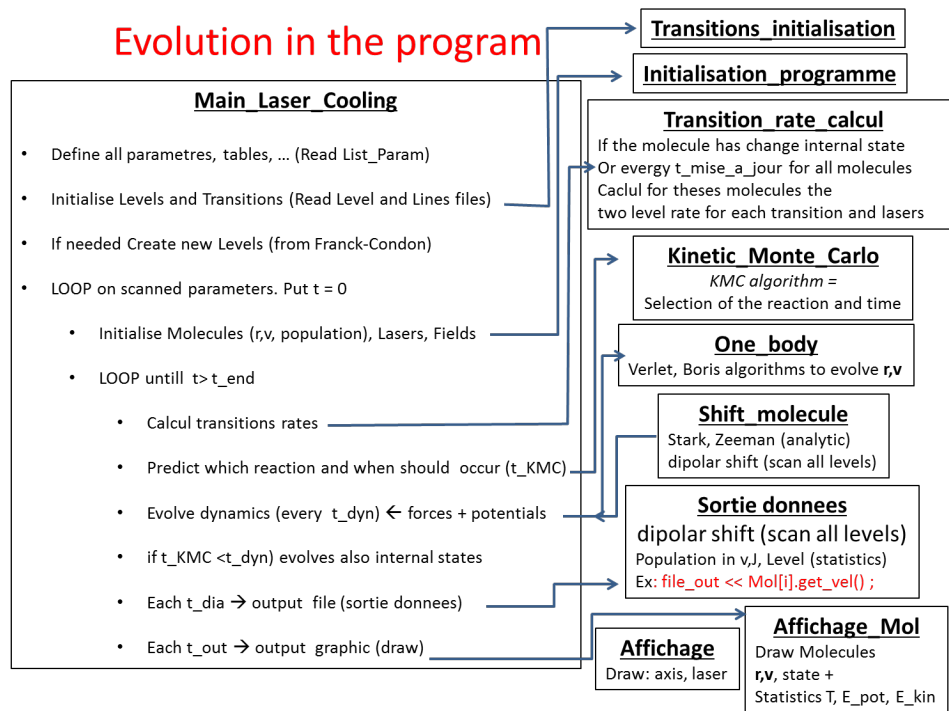


FIG. 3: Schematics of how the code evolve its time. The blocks are the different files (.cpp or .h) present with their names in bold and an quick explanation of what they do.

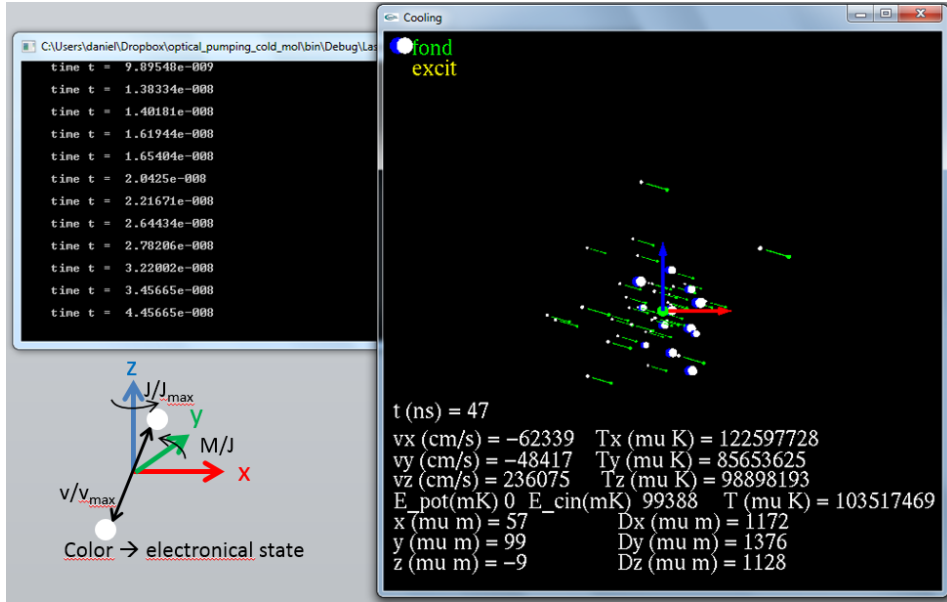


FIG. 4: Snapshot (screen capture) of the code.

## B. graphics

Once run. You will see two screens appearing as shown in figure 4.

If you do not want the graphics you have to change the option in Liste\_Param file. Some parameters like the screen size are directly part of the code but other ones like size of view of the sample are part of Liste\_Param.

For now the graphics do not indicate the lasers locations but show the particles behavior at every time steps, set by the parameter @dt\_out of Liste\_Param

The graphics (uses OPEN\_GL library for 3D plotting) represent the particles with the following choices:

- Red arrow along x, green along y and blue along z (gravity is along -Oz) to see the origin and orientation of the view. Global screen rotations are possible in Liste\_Param, the usual one puts gravity down, but if no rotation is performed we would have x toward the right, y up and z toward the screen.
- Molecules are represented like diatomic molecules (a line connecting 2 balls) and depend of their ro-vibronic level and mass. The length is proportional to the vibrational quantum number  $v$ , the angle in  $xy$  is proportional to the rotational quantum number  $J$  and the angle in  $xz$  is proportional to its projection (along the local field axis)  $M$ . Then the ball size and the color reflects the molecule and its state: Ground state are green, excited state are yellow, dead (photodetachment, ionization, annihilation) are blue (and antiprotons are olive).

Then some statistical data are given like the temperature, positions and velocities of the laser cooled molecules. As well as the temperature of the second species (if they exist). Finally the total energy of all molecules is given (it should be conserved in absence of laser cooling).

## C. Output: Export data in files

In addition to the graphics output we have several others possible outputs.

Mainly Sortie\_donnee\_pop\_vJ gives the population in each  $v, j$  levels or simply Sortie\_donnee\_pop\_v gives the population in each  $v$  levels. But the standard one is Sortie\_donnee that gives useful data such as positions, velocities or temperatures.

The current example Sortie\_donnee (call in main\_Laser\_cooling.cpp in "(t >= t\_dia)" section) gives for each diagnostic time: the parameters that you scan, the time, the position (x,z) and v.z.

**You Should probably modify those outputs for your own purpose.** Use the comment lines to inspire you for your own choice.

Finally you can stop the code to run by pressing CTRL+C after if you want to stop before the end or to avoid producing too big files.

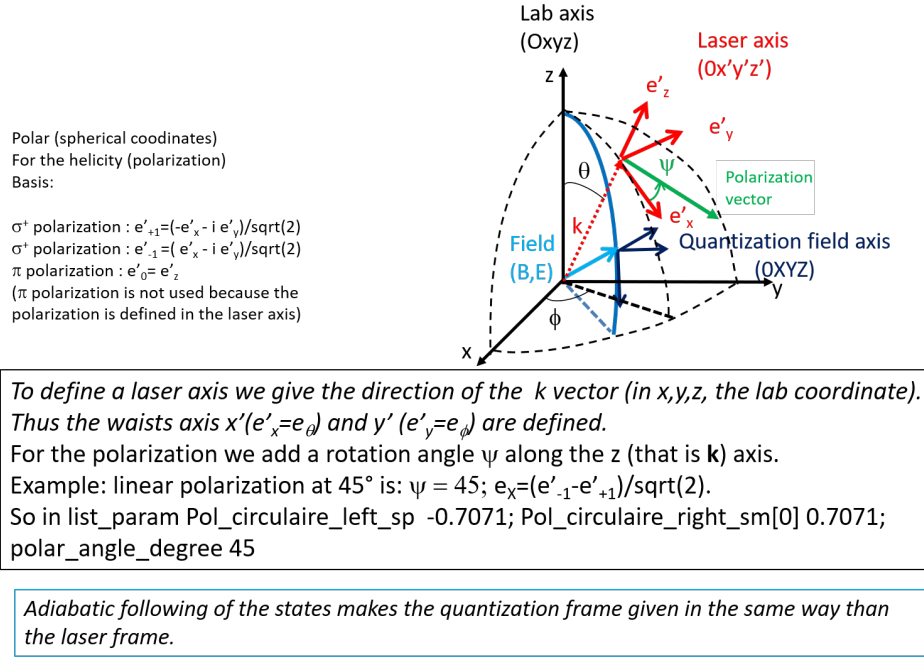


FIG. 5: Definition of the different frame: laser axis (for the polarization basis), field axis (that is the quantization because we assume adiabatic following of the states) and lab fixed frame. To go from the lab fix frame to the laser axis one a first rotation is by an angle  $\phi$  about the  $z$ -axis then a second rotation is by an angle  $\theta$  about the new  $y$ -axis

#### IV. INPUT FILES

The code requires source input files (their locations and names are defined in Liste.Param). The files are the following:

1. Liste.Param.h (it has to have this exact name)  
 Contains all relevant parameters such as number, temperatures, locations of the particles, lasers parameters and some output properties and algorithm choices. The location of the files are also given in @nom\_file\_Levels, @nom\_file\_Lines or @nom\_file\_Laser\_Spectrum
2. "Levels".  
 Contains informations about the levels of the chosen particle (BaF, Cs<sub>2</sub>, NH, Cs, CO, Ps, ...). The basic informations are the energy levels and their linear and quadratic Zeeman (and eventually Stark) shifts.
3. "Lines" .  
 Give the dipole transition strength between two levels.
4. "Laser Spectrum[i]"  
 It is optional (if not present no laser attenuation is taken into account and the laser is "normal"). But it can be used to create spectral shaping of a laser.

ALL FILES SHOULD NOT contain a return line neither an extra character, like a space, at the end!

The structure of the files have been chosen because it is the one given by the Pgopher program: PGOPHER, a Program for Simulating Rotational Structure, C. M. Western, University of Bristol, <http://pgopher.chm.bris.ac.uk>. See Journal of Quantitative Spectroscopy & Radiative Transfer 186 (2017) 221, where Pgopher is described.

A more detail description of all files is now given.

##### A. Liste.Param

Liste.Param.h contains:

- Particles parameters: numbers, type, temperatures, initial positions and velocities
- Graphics: size and angle of the field of view, time for each output.
- Fields. Usually given in 3D up to the second order. We can put Helmholtz coils for the magnetic field. For now we can have a trapping magnetic or electric field but not both. With the exception of a Penning trap where the electric field acts on the charge but is supposed to not produce internal energy shifts.
- Laser beams: waist sizes and positions, polarisations, powers, linewidths, wavelengths, spectral shapes (Lorentzian, Gaussian, comb lines) and possible coherence (intensity interference to create optical lattice) between them.... The polarization could be purely circular (left= $\sigma^+$  or right= $\sigma^-$ ) or linear and are defined using the laser propagation axis and a rotation angle cf Fig. 5. Linear polarizations are thus possible but (to be checked..) then no interference effects are taken into account. Other 'fictuous' laser types can be invented in order to take into account other rates (such as collisional, field ionization, ...)
- Algorithm parameters: evolution time and steps. Among them we have the Kinetic Monte Carlo, the First Reaction Method or the less accurate but faster Random Selection Method or even the Fast Rough Method for the internal state. Verlet or Boris-Buneman for the external motion but with different types: either using the analytical acceleration (and no dipolar force) either using gradient of the potential (the epsilon "size step" has to be manually optimized). A N-body algorithm is also implemented.

In principle all parameters are in SI units. If not, the name suggests the value such as Gamma\_L\_MHz or Energy\_cm because all energies are in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

All parameters have their name starting with @ symbol followed by their value (so no symbol @ should be use in this file except for this purpose).

A loop on the parameters values can be done if the parameters names are written with a @SCAN\_ prefix and a "true" value between BEGIN\_OF\_FITPARAMS and END\_OF\_FITPARAMS at the end of Liste\_Param.h file.

If needed, a new parameter can be added in the file, and then used, in some files of the program using the sentence `params LocateParam("Nom.Parametre")->val` that takes its value.

## B. Levels

The name of the file can be chosen as wanted but then put in the Liste\_Param.h file.

The columns of the file are the following:

**Manifold 2M Sym # population** v 2J 2N 2 $\Omega$  E<sub>cm</sub>  $\Delta$  C

Columns are separated by tabulation. Points (not coma) are used for decimal separations.

**manifold, 2M, #, Sym are the only data used to label a Level.** Thus v, 2J, 2N or 2 $\Omega$  are extra data and are here only for a better understanding of the file. They can also be used for an output of the data.

The detail of the columns are(in bold the data that should absolutely be correct):

- **Manifold:** usually 0 means ground electronical level, 1 is for an excited electronical level, 2 for another one ... Negative values can be used for a "dead" level such as one in a continuum (photo-ionization -1, photodetachment -2, or annihilation -3).
- **2M:** where M is the projection of the total angular momentum. We note 2M and not M to be able to use integer in the code for M=1/2 for instance. In the code the particle will be assumed to always follow (adiabatically) the local quantification axis given by the local field.  
*If you want to simulate states without sub-structure like pure ro-vibrational transition in zero field you could impose M=0 for all states and use  $\pi$  laser polarization.*
- **Sym:** Originally it was the parity of the state but this not the case but it should be +1 or -1 to design bound states and 0 for an continuum state (that is above the continuum threshold such as for photodetachment or photoionization).
- **#:** "number" of the state. It lifts the degeneracy between levels having the same 3 parameters: manifold, 2M and #. Usually it is ordered (0,1,2, ...) by energy but for the vibrational levels you could add 10000v to keep trace of it.



- **population:** This is proportional to the initial population in the levels (that will be taken randomly at the beginning of the run). The sum should not have to be 1.
- **v:** vibrational level. As said previously this is not used by the code except may be for some output data.
- **2J:** J = total angular momentum (F if nuclear spin present)
- **2N:** N = rotational angular momentum, including L (L=electron orbital angular momentum).
- **2Ω :** Ω = Projection of J along the molecular axis.
- **E<sub>cm</sub>:** energy of the level in cm<sup>-1</sup>. For a continuum state, we put the energy of the threshold, like that we can test if the laser transition reach the continuum or not (but we assume a cross section independent of the energy).
- **Δ and C** give the energy shift of the level under an electric or magnetic field *F*.

The formula is  $E_{\text{cm}}(F) = E_{0\text{cm}} + \text{sign}(C)[-Δ/2 + \sqrt{(Δ/2)^2 + (CF)^2}]$ . Thus if  $Δ = 0$  we have a linear variation  $E(F) = E_0 + CF$ . Thus, for the magnetic field case, units are cm<sup>-1</sup>/Tesla for *C*. A magnetic moment of 1 μ<sub>Bohr</sub> correspond to a value for *C* of 0.4668645 cm<sup>-1</sup>/Tesla.

If needed, an option exists (is\_File\_FC in Liste\_Param) in order to automatically produce new Levels and Lines files from a file containing only  $v_X = 0 \rightarrow v_A = 0$  transition by reading extra Franck-Condon and vibrational and rotational constant files.

### C. Lines

The lines file can content more lines than used by the Level file. In this case the program only read the useful ones. The columns (separated by tabulation) of the file are the following:

**UpperManifold 2M' Sym' #' LowerManifold 2M'' Sym'' #' Δ<sub>E</sub> Intensity E<sub>upper</sub> E<sub>lower</sub> Strength**

The first 4 columns design the upper level |1> and the second 4 the lower level |0>. So they have to be the same as in the Level file!

The last 5 columns give informations about the transitions between these levels. But **only the last column (Strength) is used by the code**. However, usually they are composed on:

- Δ<sub>E</sub>: energy difference between the 2 states |1> and |0>.
- Intensity: Einstein coefficient = spontaneous emission rate of the transition (this is not the total decay rate of the state |1>, because it can decay to several levels).
- E<sub>upper</sub>: energy in cm<sup>-1</sup> of the upper state |1>.
- E<sub>lower</sub>: energy in cm<sup>-1</sup> of the lower state |0>.
- **Strength:**  $S_{\text{pol}} = d_{\text{axe}}^2/3$ , where  $d_{\text{axe}}$  is the dipole (in Debye) of the transition along the polarization axis that authorize the transition between the sum-Zeeman levels). This notation was used due to historical reasons linked to Pgopher.

So  $A = \text{Intensity} = \Gamma = 3S_{\text{pol}}C_{\text{Debye},s}E_{\text{cm}}^3$  with  $C_{\text{Debye},s} = (8 \times 10^6 \pi^2 c^3 \text{Debye}^2)/(3 \epsilon_0 c^3 \hbar) = 3.13618932 \times 10^{-7}$  is the conversion from the dipole (in Debye) to the Einstein's coefficient *A* (s<sup>-1</sup>) for an energy in cm<sup>-1</sup>.

For an continuum transition (so with Sym' = 0), the idea to treat it, is to put a "fake" level: the energy should be just at the ionisation threshold (thus the program can test if the laser wavelength is enough to ionize). But, in this case the *S<sub>pol</sub>* column is not  $d^2/3$  but σ/cm<sup>2</sup> which is the ionization cross section in cm<sup>2</sup>.

## D. LASER\_SPECTRUM

This file is used only if you want to shape spectrally a laser. If you do not create such a file a default one (containing only one line: 0 1) is created which does not affect the laser intensity.

The code reads a file one file per laser (number). `Laser_spectrum[i]` for laser number  $i+1$  that contains 2 columns:  $E_{\text{cm}}$  (Energy in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) and Attenuation (intensity attenuation coefficient).

When a transition should occur at the energy  $E_{\text{cm}}$ . The program look in this file for the line  $i$  such as  $E_{\text{cm}}[i] \leq E_{\text{cm}} < E_{\text{cm}}[i+1]$  and then it takes the corresponding value `Attenuation[i]`. This will be the multiplicative factor for the laser intensity for this transition energy. So in summary the energy in the file is the energy just below yours and the intensity would thus just be multiplied by the amplitude factor.

## V. TROUBLESHOOTING

Figure 3 is the core of the code with the main evolution summarized in the `Main_laser_cooling.cpp` program, that is usually the only part of the code that you have to modify (with the output one: `sortie_donnee`).

If the program does not run for the first time it is usually a problem of links and library in Code::Blocks.

But if it usually runs but then bug after some modifications it is 90% due to an error in the input files: levels or lines!

For debugging use the debugger in the Debug file. But you can also use `Sortie_rate` which gives all rates, or `Sortie_donnee_etat_int_simple` that gives the list of levels, and that are commented on `Main_Laser_Cooling`. You have also `Sortie_laser_spectrum` to check the laser spectrum you make or `Sortie_transition` to check the transition per

**The best way to debug is to use a simple two level system and to look for the rates to understand if they are as expected. 95% of the time the problems comes from the Levels or Lines files**

### A. CodeBlocks problems

If you have not strictly followed the rules you might have the following problems!!

If Code::Blocks is installed in the C: directories but you have put your project in D: this does not work. Thus, you have to put in "Settings" → "Compiler and Debugger" → "Toolchain executables" → "Program files" some link. For instance modify "mingw32-g++.exe" in "C:\MinGW\bin\mingw32-gcc.exe" in the "linker for dynamics libs:"...

More generally the problems are almost always coming from a bad links. You can specify them for your global environment or just for your project.

For global environment :

- Menu Settings/Compiler and debugger
- In the Global compiler settings, select the Search directories
- Add the required paths for compiler and linker.

For your project :

- Right click on the project then select Build options
- Select the Search directories
- Add the required paths for compiler and linker.
- Add your specific libraries in the linker tab.
- Pay attention to project settings and target settings.

ALWAYS verify that your modifications of directories affect all the project and not only Debug or Release  
Do not forget to recompile the full code after any modification!!

## Assumptions for diagonalization: energy ordering

- The calculated energy level for absorption is done properly (with recoil)
- For spontaneous emission (k not known) we assume no change in lower states

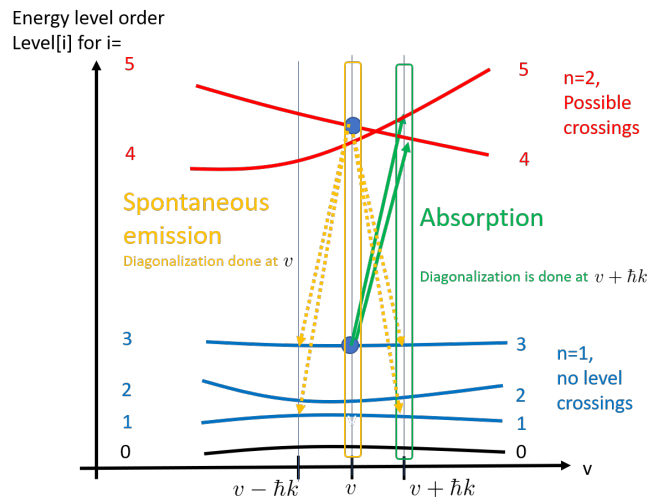


FIG. 6: Schematics of the Energy level due to recoil momentum. The diagonalization thus works only if the energy levels before and after spontaneous emission have the same order in energy. No other dynamical evolution is taken into account, we assume constant velocity during motion (in the excited states).

### B. Common tests

- It is always good to go back to a situation where the results are known such as: 1 particle at the center, zero temperature, no lasers, no trapping, single laser at resonance, ...
- Checking energy conservation is always of good practice!
- Check for the proper time step (`dt_dyn_epsilon_param` that is the one for the external motion; eventually `choix_epsilon` that is the spatial step to calculate the gradient of the potential in some algorithms).
- Do not forget to recompile the overall project.
- The most common mistake comes from errors in the Levels or Lines files
- A too big number of molecules or Levels or Lines may lead to memory overflow. So check also the use of the memory, for instance by using the Windows resource monitor.
- You can use the code::blocks debugger or simply write some test lines in the code. A very common test is to uncomment the two lines (just before "if ( $t_{\zeta} = t_{\text{dia}}$ ") in `main_laser_cooling.cpp`) with `Sortie_rate` and `Sortie_donnee`; this will produce at each time step output of all calculated rates and output data.

## VI. ALGORITHM USED IN THE CODE TO CALCULATE THE EVOLUTION AND THE RATES

### A. Diagonalization

We add the possibility of parameter `is_Levels_Lines_Diagonalized` to diagonalize the hamiltonian in order to calculate the energy and the transitions. This was done for positronium (but this is more general) where we had to use the fact that the levels are mixed in  $E$  and  $B$  fields and that the velocity create a dynamical Stark effect.

However we do the diagonalization only for the reactions not for the external motion of the particles! So the particles stays in the same levels during their motion (no level crossing during motion) as shown in Figure 6. The light shift is not included also.

The matrices (Zeeman, Stark, dipoles[7]) should be put by hand in `diagonalization.cpp` and should follow the same ordering than the Levels and Lines (and should be ascending in energies).

The most important is that in the degeneracy number  $\#$  of the state should be the number of the state starting from 0 (so Level[#] is the Level itself) [recall that in C++ the index of the first element of the table is 0]. The levels are thus always refers as Level[i] that is the  $(i+1)^{th}$  in energy level ordering (which is not necessary the order you put originally in your level file, EXCEPT for ground state, cf FIG.fig:diagonalization). But, for the "sortie" or analysis Level[i] keeps its characteristics (such as M values) given in the input Level file: only Energy\_cm is updated.

## B. Overview external versus internal dynamics

We do not discuss here the Kinetic Monte Carlo (KMC) neither the N-Body solver used to solve rate equations, this is discussed in PRA 89, 043410 (2014). But we explain the way how code calculates the evolutions for  $N$  particles, in order for interested people to modify it. The main part is the main.cpp file in the *while(velocity\_scaling == false)* loop (before is a tentative to reach thermal equilibrium is a trap using the Berendsen thermostat Algorithm) and especially the *calcul\_rates\_molecules* function.

The code calculate a time for an internal state evolution dt\_KMC (typically one over the maximal rate) and compare it to the time for the external state evolution dt\_dyn (that is now fixed and given is a parameter in the liste\_Param, even if a commented line to calculate it can be tried). Then the internal evolution *do\_reaction* and the external *evolve\_step* evolution depends on the Choix\_algorithme\_Monte\_Carlo and Choix\_algorithme\_N\_corps parameters chosen in in Liste\_Param. For instance the Choix\_algorithme\_N\_corps is commented in the Liste\_Param. This can be of importance if Coulomb interactions are present or not, or if the dipolar force is included (not well calculated for spectrally shaped laser for instance) or if we calculate it directly using gradient of the fields analytical formula (if implemented) or through the potential derivative (this is the most general way fo doing it).

## C. Calcul (internal) rates molecules

The *calcul\_rates\_molecules* function is the most important one.

In order to not spent too much time on updating all the rates of all molecules we only recalculate the rate of the molecule (number\_mol) that has evolved internally. All others rates will be updated only after (t\_mise\_a\_jour) the dynamical (external state evolution dt\_dyn) time, so when they have moved enough to be in another environment (laser or fields intensity for instance) where the excitation-deexcitation rates have evolved.

It is possible to force some rates (like by using Pompage\_optique\_force paramter) but genearely we let the system calculate first the spontaneous emission rate and then the key function is the *rates\_molecule* function. It is quite complex but commented, here I simply mention that the local parameters such as local intensity, polarization, dipole moment  $d$  etc... are calculate and the rate is calculated in *rates\_single\_molecule\_laser\_level* that is usually the only function that has to be modified if you want to add a new laser type (such as Black Body one). The stimulated and absorption rate for an  $i \leftrightarrow j$  transition for a laser of polarization vector  $\epsilon$  is given by

$$\gamma = \frac{\pi(\mathbf{d} \cdot \epsilon)^2 I_\omega \otimes L(\omega + \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{v} - \omega_{ij})}{\hbar^2 \epsilon_0 c}$$

(cf Formula (B.7) of the PRA 2014 article with the correct  $\hbar^2$  factor!). So with a local intensity resulting of the convolution of the laser spectrum  $I_\omega$  with the transition Lorentzian  $L(\delta) = \frac{\Gamma_{ij}}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\Gamma_{ij}}{2}\right)^2 + \delta^2}$ .

For instance for a laser with a Lorentzian spectrum of FWHM  $\Gamma_L$  we have, for the Doppler induced detuning  $\delta = \omega + \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{v} - \omega_{ij}$ , the rate:  $\gamma = I \frac{\pi(\mathbf{d} \cdot \epsilon)^2}{\hbar^2 \epsilon_0 c} \frac{\Gamma_{ij} + \Gamma_L}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\Gamma_{ij} + \Gamma_L}{2}\right)^2 + \delta^2}$  where  $I = \epsilon_0 E^2 c / 2$  is the total laser irradiance (intensity).

## D. Calcul (external) motion

The *evolve\_step* is the function that evolves the external degree of freedom depending on the chosen algorithm (Verlet, Boris, ..) and most important on the way we calculated the force. We can use directly the acceleration or the derivative of the potential (depending on the choix\_epsilon parameter typically 10nm). The fastest is clearly the use of the acceleration calculate in the the key function is the *new\_acc* function. But this require that the gradient of the fields are analytically calculated. This is not the case for the dipolar potential neither if there is  $N$  body interaction where in this case algorithm use the gradient of the potential to calculate the force through the *new\_pot* function.

The dipolar potential requires to calculate all dipolar transitions (so it calls the `rates_molecule` function) and this might be very slow!

### E. Comments

The code has evolved and because it is time consuming to keep all the time the internal Energy of the molecule correct (especially if dipolar potential is used) we do not use anymore the `set_pot_all_mol` function and we therefore do not the `Internal_state.Energy_cm` is not correct. It should not be used but (see `rates_molecule`) recalculated when needed.

In order to avoid gigantic storage we have single Levels and Lines files and ALL particles point to this and only the Zeeman, Stark and dipolar shift are added to this. For more complex situation where the internal state quantum numbers are modified for instance we need to use the `Levels_Lines_Diagonalized`

### F. Levels Lines Diagonalized

This is controlled using the `is_Levels_Lines_Diagonalized` parameter

## VII. PERFORMANCE TEST

N=100 Hydrogen atoms during 50 microsecond and plot every microsecond. 64.571s with graphics versus 57.502 without and 55.826 without any output [8].

### A. Nb of molecules

Time	Nb atoms
0.632	1
6.984	10
26.362	50
57.502	100

So the code is very linear in  $N$  which is good news ! This is because the particle are not charged if not probably (to be tested) the variation will be in  $N^2$ .

### B. Kinetic Monte Carlo algorithm

It is be interested to compare them (cf [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kinetic\\_Monte\\_Carlo](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kinetic_Monte_Carlo)) because the default one `Kinetic_Monte_Carlo` is not the fastest in principle but `First_Reaction_Method` is also perfect as well as `Random_Selection_Method` if the rate are time independent.

Time	Algorithm
58.604	Kinetic Monte Carlo (0)
132.343	Random Selection Method (1)
73.606	First Reaction Method (2)
6.118	Fast Rough Method (3)
0.537	No laser included

So Fast Rough Method (to be tested in more detail) may be a good way to start. Random Selection Method has probably a problem in the code to be this slow!

### C. Motion algorithm

for `dt_dyn_epsilon_param = 10-7` the time (for 100 atoms) is 57.502s whereas for `10-8` the time is 72.933s. Always choix epsilon is 1e-8.

For  $1e-7$  we made test of the algorithm. Obviously the accuracy of higher order are better so `dt_dyn_epsilon_param` can be reduced if using such algorithm but this gives an idea.

Time	Algorithm
44.639	Aucun N corps (-1)
49.647	Verlet acc (sans force dipolaire) (1)
252.635	Verlet pot (avec potentiel dipolaire) (2)
86.587	Yoshida6 acc (3)
113.549	Yoshida6 pot (4)
474.885	Verlet pot gradient high order (6)
49.341	Boris Buneman (with Magnetic field for charged particles)

## VIII. FUTUR

Despite the fact that the code could largely be improved to use more C++ spirit (like maps between reaction and rates, ...), a long list of possible improvements exists among them are:

- Use of adaptive time steps (like `t_evol_ext`) for the algorithms (under consideration).
- Possibilities to use more general laser beam (Laguerre Gauss, others polarizations). Put the phase given by the polarizations to take into account linear polarisation in the interference lattice case.
- Optimize the link between the renew of the rates, the KMC steps and the external evolution steps. For instance if the acceleration is known we do not need to recalculate each time in the evolution algorithms ...
- Parallelization of the code. Using OpenMP for multiprocessor seems quite easy: If needed, download the last MinGW 64bits version. Copy-paste and erase the old one in Codeblock directory. Then in Global Compiler setting (or simply in your project) use in Other option `-fopenmp`. Linker settings: Adds the MinGW/bin `libgomp-1.dll`. Then test using simple program with `#include <omp.h> + #pragma omp parallel`
- Combine electric and magnetic field of arbitrary orientations. This is partially done using the diagonalization of section VIA
- Treat chemical reactions during collisions.
- Treat coherent dark states by choosing the proper basis.
- Use an ionization or photodetachment cross-section which is dependent on the energy.
- For strongly focused lasers, we can put the local wave-vector  $\mathbf{k}$ , not the global one as it is now.
- Draw lasers using the hyperbolic function (nor the elliptic one).
- Improve the statistical initial distribution. Until now we calculate the trapping field using a linear approximation for the potential energy.
- Improve the calculation of the dipolar shift. Until now the dipolar potential is not included in the shift for the transition. This avoids accumulation, but in some cases, it may be good to have it.
- Improve performance using GNU Gprof (Code Profiler Pluggin in Code::Blocks)

## APPENDIX A: USE OF PGOPHER

As mentioned before you can use Pgopher ([pgopher.chm.bris.ac.uk/](http://pgopher.chm.bris.ac.uk/)) to create your input files. It is in fact recommended because they have been written from it.

Be sure to have a good simulation. For instance for a single pair of equivalent nuclei (such as in  $I_2$ ) the statistical weights should be  $SymWt=1$ ,  $AsymWt = 0$ , rather than both 1. Be sure to have enough J but not too much to avoid too big files...

So read carefully Pgopher manual.

Then in the Pgopher data use the following options. Hopefully with obvious notations:

- MIXTURE: Precision 12

QuantumNumberFormat 2J. But be careful that all values such as tensor rank, max J are thus doubled, so it is sometimes difficult to follow them. So it is better to do this only at the end, it is just use to produce the "Levels" and "Lines" files.

BField 1e-10. In order to separate M levels and have all transitions!

- SIMULATION: IntensityUnits: EinsteinA (to have the rate for spontaneous emission)
- SPECIES: ShowJ, ShowOmega, ShowN, .. all TRUE
- TO PRODUCE THE "LINES" FILE: Use the following option File Export Line List .txt (tab separation). Intensity Threshold 1e-8. No "Fit File Format"
- TO HAVE THE ENERGY LEVELS IN FIELDS:

View, Levels List (To have the energy at each points). Verify to have All symmetry, Omega M values ... Then use "Track State" and click on "Summary". This gives levels + fit linear + quadratic of the field dependence. So be careful to plot with the proper B field T values (0-1T or 0-1mT for instance) Save the file in LEVEL.

- THEN GO TO ORIGIN (<http://www.originlab.com/>) or to any other data acquisition software (in the Directory Data: Pgopher\_Level.List.opj) and follow the following procedure.

Your case can be slightly different if you have more molecules or several vibrational levels or .. so adapt it!

- To produce the "LEVELS" file:

Remove the % from the LEVEL file

Use Import Wizard in Origin with 11 headers, 1 subheader (should be recognized). The name of the columns should be (if not modify by coping this line, or use the example in):

Molecule Manifold 2M Sym # g Population Label State 2J 2N 2Omega Fn parity\*M Energy Linear Dipole Err Quadratic Err 2\_Level Delta C Dipole2 Err

Sometimes Pgopher does not create the first column Molecule neither the last columns of E\_2\_Level ...

Then we have to calculate the C and  $\Delta$  (that is Delta) coefficients when they are not given, that is if Level Delta C Dipole2 Err columns are missing. If the effect is not linear but quadratic or more complex then create the 2\_level fit by: Add one column for numbers, Sort by 2\_Level. For those who do not have a 2\_Level then create one (for instance take the Linear and the same energy because C=Linéaire, Delta=0). The intermediate case between linear and quadratic is more complex and an appropriate formula should be derived. Sort again (a priori the file is sort in M, Sym and #). It is also possible to sort in Energy

Duplicate the workbook and keep only the following columns (v is State):

Manifold 2M Sym # population v 2J 2N 2Omega Energy Delta C

Remark: One possibility to remove "v=" that appears when exporting from Pgopher in "State" and to keep only the vibrational level value is: after the exportation remove "v=" (and change "," in "." if needed) and import again.

Then use only values not the text, so: In Manifold use 0 for the X state (lower) et 1, 2, ... for higher Manifold and +/-1 for Sym.

If wanted you can sort the workbook in Energy and modify the population column to put the desired one. Export the Workbook without headers (no Label) and in a file with .dat extension

Check that the decimal are with "." not "," Remove the space at the end of the file.

– TO PRODUCE THE "LINES" file:

Remove the first and last 2 lines of the file LINES.txt Import it in Origin (using options: delimeter, Tab/space). Change the name of the lines: (copy paste the one below)

Molecule Upper Manifold 2M' Sym' #' Lower Manifold 2M'' Sym'' #' Position Intensity Eupper Elower Strength A Width Branch LabelUpperManifold state 2J' 2N' 2Omega' Fn' 2M' Sym Upper Manifold state 2J'' 2N'' Omega'' Fn'' 2M''

Duplicate the workbook and keep only the columns:

UpperManifold 2M' Sym' #' LowerManifold 2M'' Sym'' #' Position Intensity Eupper Elower Strength

then do the same as for Levels: X=0, Sym =+/-1 ...

Finally divide by 3 the Strength column and export in .dat file

## APPENDIX B: DETAIL OF LASER INTERACTION

The code is based on [1]; on [2] (supplementary material) for quantization, recoil and Doppler effects; and on [3, 4] for vector and angular momenta. We recall here some important points. The notations differ sometimes from [1] but are more general and should be preferred, because we use less assumptions here (especially about the reality of some vectors).

### 1. Spherical and helicity vectors

We use the notation of [4] such as the (covariant) spherical vectors  $\mathbf{e}_0 = \mathbf{e}_z, \mathbf{e}_{\pm 1} = \mp \frac{\mathbf{e}_x \pm i\mathbf{e}_y}{\sqrt{2}}$ . Using  $\mathbf{e}^q = (\mathbf{e}_q)^* = (-1)^q \mathbf{e}_{-q}$  (that leads to the normalization  $\mathbf{e}^p \mathbf{e}_q = \delta_{pq}$ ) we find for any (complex) vector

$$\mathbf{A} = \sum_q A^q \mathbf{e}_q = \sum_q (-1)^q A_{-q} \mathbf{e}_q$$

where  $A_q = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{e}_q$  so for instance  $A_0 = A_z, A_{\pm 1} = \mp (A_x \pm iA_y)$ . We will often have the case where the  $A_q$  or  $A^q$  are reals (example of the dipoles or of pure laser polarization) but in general we should keep in mind that the vectors are complex.

### 2. Lasers using complex notations

The electromagnetic field, due to the lasers L, can be written

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \mathbf{E}'(\hat{\mathbf{r}}, t) + \mathbf{E}'^\dagger(\hat{\mathbf{r}}, t) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_L \left[ \mathbf{E}_L e^{i(\mathbf{k}_L \cdot \mathbf{r} - \Phi_L(t))} + \mathbf{E}_L^* e^{-i(\mathbf{k}_L \cdot \mathbf{r} - \Phi_L(t))} \right]$$

the irradiance, called improperly intensity, is  $I_L = \varepsilon_0 |E_L|^2 c/2$ .

The Doppler effect, and the laser linewidth, are taken into account by writing  $\Phi_L(t) = (\omega_L - \mathbf{k}_L \cdot \mathbf{v})t + \Phi^L(t)$ . Where  $\Phi^L(t)$  is a fluctuating phase.

As shown in Fig. 5, we use the (covariant polar basis) frame linked with the laser propagation:  $(\mathbf{e}'_x = \mathbf{e}_\theta, \mathbf{e}'_y = \mathbf{e}_\phi, \mathbf{e}'_z = \mathbf{e}'_r = \mathbf{k}/\|\mathbf{k}\|)$ . The laser polarization is conveniently described in the (covariant) helicity basis  $\mathbf{e}'_0 = \mathbf{e}'_z, \mathbf{e}'_{\pm 1} = \mp \frac{\mathbf{e}'_x \pm i\mathbf{e}'_y}{\sqrt{2}}$ . For each laser L the polarization vector, defined by  $\mathbf{E}_L(\mathbf{r}, t) = E_L(\mathbf{r}, t) \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_L$ , is  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_L = \sum_{p=-1,0,+1} \epsilon'^p \mathbf{e}'_p$ .

In the code we deal (for simplicity and for calculus speed) only with reals. So for instance **the polarisation is coded using only 3 real parameters Pol\_circulaire\_right\_sm ( $a_-$ ), Pol\_circulaire\_left\_sp ( $a_+$ ) and polar\_angle\_degree ( $\Psi$ ) (in degree in Liste\_Param). These 3 parameters define**

$$\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_L = \text{Pol\_circulaire\_right\_sm} e^{i\Psi} \mathbf{e}'_{-1} + \text{Pol\_circulaire\_left\_sp} e^{-i\Psi} \mathbf{e}'_{+1} = a_- e^{i\Psi} \mathbf{e}'_{-1} + a_+ e^{-i\Psi} \mathbf{e}'_{+1} \quad (\text{B1})$$

This does not authorize arbitrary polarizations but only pure circular (right with  $\epsilon'^{-1} = 1$ , or left with  $\epsilon'^{+1} = 1$ ) or a pure linear polarization. For example, (cf. Fig. 5) linear polarization turned by an angle  $\Psi$  from  $\mathbf{e}'_x$  is  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_L = \mathbf{e}'_x \cos \Psi + \mathbf{e}'_y \sin \Psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\Psi} \mathbf{e}'_{-1} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-i\Psi} \mathbf{e}'_{+1}$ , that is  $a_- = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, a_+ = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ .



### 3. Transition dipole moment

The transition dipole moment ( $\mathbf{d} = e\mathbf{r}$  in the simple case of H, Ps or alkali atoms, and we will use often this simplification for the notation) between 2 levels is defined (for now in the lab fixed frame but this will be precised in section B 5 b) as  $\mathbf{d}_{ij} = \langle i|\mathbf{d}|j\rangle = \sum_q (-1)^q d_{ij;q} \mathbf{e}_q = \sum_q d_{ij;q} \mathbf{e}_q$  so  $d_{ij;q} = \mathbf{d}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{e}_q$ . The notation  $d_{ij}^{(q)} = d_{ij;q}$  is often used but has to be avoided because of possible confusion with the (contravariant) notation  $d_{ij}^q$ . The correct component that forms an irreducible tensor (rank 1)  $\hat{d}_{1q} = \hat{d}_q$  are  $d_{ij;-1}, d_{ij;0}, d_{ij;+1}$ . In the code this vector is called the "polarization" dipole vector  $\mathbf{d}_{ij}$  and is recorded as  $\{d_{ij;-1}, d_{ij;0}, d_{ij;+1}\}$  (obviously in C++ the array number will be respectively dipole[0], dipole[1], dipole[2]). With the proper (Condon-Shortley's type) convention [4], these dipoles are reals.

### 4. Absorption, stimulated or spontaneous emission

For a transition between two states  $|j\rangle$  to  $|i\rangle$ , it is important to know if we deal with absorption (rising level energy) or stimulated or spontaneous emission (lowering level energy) to know which term in the rotating wave approximation shall be used.

**In the following, we assume  $E_j > E_i$ .**

#### a. Ordered energy levels and rotating wave approximation

The rotating wave approximation leads (for level  $j$  above level  $i$ :  $E_j > E_i$ ) leads to:

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}^2}{2m} + V_i(\hat{\mathbf{r}}, t)|i\rangle\langle i| + V_j(\hat{\mathbf{r}}, t)|j\rangle\langle j| - \langle j|q\hat{\mathbf{r}}|i\rangle \cdot \mathbf{E}'(\hat{\mathbf{r}}, t)|j\rangle\langle i| - \langle i|q\hat{\mathbf{r}}|j\rangle \cdot \mathbf{E}'^\dagger(\hat{\mathbf{r}}, t)|i\rangle\langle j|$$

where we have added some potential traps  $V_i$  and  $V_j$  to be more general.

The recoil effect will be present only after the interaction by a  $\hbar\mathbf{k}$  term added to the momentum. This is clarified, cf Eq. (9) and (20) of [2], by using the (single plane wave, in a volume  $L^3$ ) quantized field:  $\hat{\mathbf{E}}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \sigma} i\sqrt{\frac{\hbar\omega_k}{2\epsilon_0 L^3}} \left( \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} e^{-i\omega_k t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} - \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger e^{i\omega_k t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^* e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \right)$ , where  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\mathbf{k}\pm 1} = \boldsymbol{\epsilon}'_{\pm 1}$ . We thus have:

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}^2}{2m} + V_i(\hat{\mathbf{r}}, t)|i\rangle\langle i| + V_j(\hat{\mathbf{r}}, t)|j\rangle\langle j| - \mathbf{d}_{ji} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{E}}'(\hat{\mathbf{r}}, t)|j\rangle\langle i| + \mathbf{d}_{ij} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{E}}'^\dagger(\hat{\mathbf{r}}, t)|i\rangle\langle j| + \sum_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \hbar\omega_k \left( \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} + 1/2 \right)$$

where  $\mathbf{d}_{ji} = \langle j|q\hat{\mathbf{r}}|i\rangle = \mathbf{d}_{ij}^*$  is the transition dipole element. The quantization clarifies the recoil effect because of  $e^{\pm i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}}|\mathbf{p}\rangle = |\mathbf{p} \pm \hbar\mathbf{k}\rangle$ .

Descriptions of the rate equations and forces can be found in the appendix of Ref. [1, 2] and are not recalled here.

#### b. Absorption, Stimulated or spontaneous emission

Absorption is thus a transition  $i \rightarrow j$  ( $E_j > E_i$ ). For absorption the only relevant term is due to  $-\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{E}'$  through the Rabi frequency[9]

$$\hbar\Omega_{ji} = E_L \langle j, \mathbf{p} + \hbar\mathbf{k} | \hat{\mathbf{d}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_L e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}} | i, \mathbf{p} \rangle = E_L \mathbf{d}_{ji} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_L = E_L \sum_q d_{ji;q} \mathbf{e}_q \cdot \sum_p \boldsymbol{\epsilon}'_p \mathbf{e}'_p \quad (\text{B2})$$

The stimulated emission  $j \rightarrow i$  with the same laser is governed by the  $-\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{E}'^\dagger$  term and thus arises with the Rabi frequency  $\hbar\Omega_{ij} = E_L \langle i, \mathbf{p} - \hbar\mathbf{k} | \hat{\mathbf{d}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_L^\dagger e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}} | j, \mathbf{p} \rangle = E_L \mathbf{d}_{ij} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_L^\dagger = \hbar\Omega_{ji}^*$

We recover the well known fact that the dipole transition rates are the same (conjugated Rabi frequencies) for spontaneous and for stimulated emission.

The simplest (ideal) case is when

- The quantization axis and laser axis (for the polarization) are equal  $\mathbf{e}_q = \mathbf{e}'_q$ . In this case, the absorption is driven by  $\hbar\Omega_{ji} = E_L \sum_q d_{ji;q} \epsilon'^q$

- The laser is of pure polarization  $\epsilon'^q = 1$  for a given  $q$  and 0 for others. So  $\hbar\Omega_{ji} = E_L d_{ji;q}$
- states are pure (that is with well defined magnetic quantum numbers  $m_i, m_j$  projection on the quantization axis  $\mathbf{e}_0$ ). So  $\hbar\Omega_{ji} = E_L d_{ji;q} = E_L \langle j | d_{1q} | i \rangle$  will verifies  $m_j = q + m_i$ . We recover the fact that  $q = -1$  for a  $\sigma^-$ ,  $q = 0$  for a  $\pi$  and  $q = +1$  for a  $\sigma^+$  light.

We now have to treat the most general case where none of these 3 assumption is correct.

## 5. Rotation matrices

We have to deal with three frames:

- The fixed lab frame  $(\mathbf{e}_x, \mathbf{e}_y, \mathbf{e}_z)$
- The local (different for each particle position  $\mathbf{r}$ ) field  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r})$  frame,  $(\mathbf{e}_X, \mathbf{e}_Y, \mathbf{e}_Z)$ . It defines the quantization axis. It will also be noted  $(\mathbf{E}_X, \mathbf{E}_Y, \mathbf{E}_Z = \mathbf{F}/\|\mathbf{F}\|)$  in order to define  $\mathbf{E}_{\pm 1}$  without any confusion with  $\mathbf{e}_{\pm 1}$ .
- The laser frame  $(\mathbf{e}'_x, \mathbf{e}'_y, \mathbf{e}'_z = \mathbf{k}/\|\mathbf{k}\|)$ .

These frames are defined by their  $z, z', Z$  axis, and the angle of rotation around this axis is defined such that (cf Fig. 5), taken the example of the laser  $z'$  frame, the frame is the polar frame of which  $Oz'$  is the direction and  $Ox'$  is the meridian.

All this explain that in the code a reaction is coded using the `type_codage_react` `reaction={n_mol;n_laser;F;epsilon_L;k;final_internal_state}` for the particule number `n_mol`, under the laser number `n_laser` (-1 for spontaneous emission).

### a. Euler angles

To go from one  $(\mathbf{e}_x, \mathbf{e}_y, \mathbf{e}_z)$  frame to a new one  $(\mathbf{e}'_x, \mathbf{e}'_y, \mathbf{e}'_z)$  it is convenient to use the Euler angles. Different conventions exists: Mathematica and [4] (1.4 schema A) are in the so called  $z\ y\ z$  (noted also  $Z\ Y\ Z$ ) convention, whereas Wikipedia is in  $z\ x\ z$  convention. For completeness, we thus recall here the Euler rotations angles  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  convention. For instance in the  $z\ y\ z$  convention:

- the first rotation is by an angle  $\alpha$  about the  $z$ -axis.
- the second rotation is by an angle  $\beta$  about the new  $y$ -axis
- the third rotation is by an angle  $\gamma$  about the new  $z$ -axis (now  $z'$ ).

Clearly (Fig. 5) our convention to use the spherical basis leads simply to  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (\phi, \theta, 0)$  in the  $z\ y\ z$  convention, but to  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (\phi + \pi/2, \theta, -\pi/2)$  in the  $z\ x\ z$  convention.

The  $z\ x\ z$  convention is the one used (for historical reason) in the code (cf `Euler_angles` function). The  $z\ x\ z$  convention is useful to find the polar angle  $\phi, \theta$  knowing only the vector  $\mathbf{e}'_z = x_e \mathbf{e}_x + y_e \mathbf{e}_y + z_e \mathbf{e}_z$  that defines the new frame by:  $\alpha = \phi + \pi/2 = \text{atan2}(x_e, -y_e)$  and  $\beta = \theta = \arccos(z_e)$ .

The main function in the code is thus `rotation_axis_lab` that calculates, using simple notation such as  $s_1 = \sin(\alpha)$  or  $c_3 = \cos(\gamma)$ , the new coordinates

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 c_3 - c_2 s_1 s_3 & -c_1 s_3 - c_2 c_3 s_1 & s_1 s_2 \\ c_3 s_1 + c_1 c_2 s_3 & c_1 c_2 c_3 - s_1 s_3 & -c_1 s_2 \\ s_2 s_3 & c_3 s_2 & c_2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{pmatrix}$$

The reverse `rotation_lab_axis` is used to find the laser intensity (cf `intensity_lab_axis` function) at the particle location  $\mathbf{r} = x\mathbf{e}_x + y\mathbf{e}_y + z\mathbf{e}_z$ .

### b. Polarization vectors

To evaluate Eq. B2 we write the laser polarization vector in the three frames  $\epsilon_L = \sum_p \epsilon'^p \mathbf{e}'_p = \sum_p \mathcal{E}^p \mathbf{E}_p = \sum_p \epsilon^p \mathbf{e}_p$ . Using  $\epsilon = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon^{-1} \\ \epsilon^0 \\ \epsilon^{+1} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_\cdot = (\mathbf{e}_{-1} \mathbf{e}_0 \mathbf{e}_{+1})$ ,  $\epsilon' = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon'^{-1} \\ \epsilon'^0 \\ \epsilon'^{+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_- e^{i\Psi} \\ 0 \\ a_+ e^{-i\Psi} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{e}' = (\mathbf{e}'_{-1} \mathbf{e}'_0 \mathbf{e}'_{+1})$ ,  $\mathcal{E}_\cdot = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{E}^{-1} \\ \mathcal{E}^0 \\ \mathcal{E}^{+1} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{E}_\cdot = (\mathbf{E}_{-1} \mathbf{E}_0 \mathbf{E}_{+1})$  we have  $\epsilon_L = \mathbf{e}' \cdot \epsilon' = \mathbf{E}_\cdot \mathcal{E}_\cdot = \mathbf{e}_\cdot \epsilon$ .

We will note  $\phi_{\mathbf{k}}, \theta_{\mathbf{k}}$  the polar angles of  $\mathbf{k}$  (to go from the lab fix frame to the laser frame) and  $\phi_{\mathbf{F}}, \theta_{\mathbf{F}}$  the polar angles of  $\mathbf{F}$  (so to go from the lab frame to the field frame). Eq. (1.1 53) of Ref. [4] gives  $\sum_p \mathbf{e}_p D_{pp'}^1(\phi_{\mathbf{k}}, \theta_{\mathbf{k}}, 0) = \mathbf{e}'_{p'}$  that is  $\mathbf{e}_\cdot D(\phi_{\mathbf{k}}, \theta_{\mathbf{k}}, 0) = \mathbf{e}'_\cdot$  and similarly  $\mathbf{e}_\cdot D(\phi_{\mathbf{F}}, \theta_{\mathbf{F}}, 0) = \mathbf{E}_\cdot$  where  $(D)_{ij} = D_{ij}^1$  is the WignerD function. Several conventions exists: Mathematica WignerD[{j, m1, m2}, α, β, γ] =  $D_{m1, m2}^j(-\alpha, -\beta, -\gamma)$  of [4]. We use the [4] convention, that is

also the one chosen by Wikipedia with:  $D(\phi, \theta, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} e^{i\phi} (1 + \cos \theta) & \frac{e^{i\phi} \sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}} & e^{i\phi} \sin^2(\theta/2) \\ -\frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}} & \cos \theta & \frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}} \\ e^{-i\phi} \sin^2(\theta/2) & -\frac{e^{-i\phi} \sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2} e^{-i\phi} (1 + \cos \theta) \end{pmatrix}$  with the order  $i, j = -1, 0, 1$  in the lines and columns.

Because the states  $|i\rangle$  are defined with the quantization axis frame  $\mathbf{E}_\cdot$  we note  $\mathbf{d}_{ij} = \langle i | \mathbf{d} | j \rangle = \sum_q D_{ij;q} \mathbf{E}^q$  with  $D_{ij;q} = \mathbf{d}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{E}_q$ . So in matrix notation, with  $\mathbf{D}_{ij} = (D_{ij;-1} D_{ij;0} D_{ij;+1}) = (D_{-1} D_0 D_{+1})$  and  $\mathbf{E}_\cdot = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{E}^{-1} \\ \mathbf{E}^0 \\ \mathbf{E}^{+1} \end{pmatrix}$ , we have  $\mathbf{d}_{ij} = \mathbf{D}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{E}_\cdot$ .

We can thus now write Eq. B2 as

$$\hbar \Omega_{ji}/E_L = \mathbf{d}_{ji} \cdot \epsilon_L = [\mathbf{D}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{E}_\cdot] \cdot [\mathbf{e}' \cdot \epsilon'] = \mathbf{D}_{ij} \cdot D^{-1}(\phi_{\mathbf{F}}, \theta_{\mathbf{F}}, 0) D(\phi_{\mathbf{k}}, \theta_{\mathbf{k}}, 0) \begin{pmatrix} a_- e^{i\Psi} \\ 0 \\ a_+ e^{-i\Psi} \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{B3})$$

This formula is used in the code in the effectif\_dipole\_local function and the final result is

$$\begin{aligned} \hbar \Omega_{ji}/E_L = & \frac{1}{4} e^{-i(\psi + \phi_{\mathbf{F}} + \phi_{\mathbf{k}})} \times \\ & \left[ \cos(\theta_{\mathbf{k}}) (-a_+ + a_- e^{2i\psi}) \left( (e^{2i\phi_{\mathbf{F}}} + e^{2i\phi_{\mathbf{k}}}) \left( \sqrt{2} D_0 \sin(\theta_{\mathbf{F}}) + (D_- - D_+) \cos(\theta_{\mathbf{F}}) \right) - (D_- + D_+) (e^{2i\phi_{\mathbf{F}}} - e^{2i\phi_{\mathbf{k}}}) \right) \right. \\ & - 2 \sin(\theta_{\mathbf{k}}) e^{i(\phi_{\mathbf{F}} + \phi_{\mathbf{k}})} (-a_+ + a_- e^{2i\psi}) \left( \sqrt{2} D_0 \cos(\theta_{\mathbf{F}}) + (D_+ - D_-) \sin(\theta_{\mathbf{F}}) \right) \\ & \left. + (a_+ + a_- e^{2i\psi}) \left( (D_- + D_+) (e^{2i\phi_{\mathbf{F}}} + e^{2i\phi_{\mathbf{k}}}) - (e^{2i\phi_{\mathbf{F}}} - e^{2i\phi_{\mathbf{k}}}) \left( \sqrt{2} D_0 \sin(\theta_{\mathbf{F}}) + (D_- - D_+) \cos(\theta_{\mathbf{F}}) \right) \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

## 6. Angular distribution of spontaneous emission: recoil

The spontaneous emission rate between a level  $|i\rangle$  and  $|j\rangle$  is given by  $\Gamma = \|\mathbf{d}_{ij}\|^2 C_{\text{Debye,s}} E_{\text{cm}}^3$  (function Gamma\_Level\_from\_diagonalized\_dipole in the code). In order to properly take into account the recoil momentum we need to know the angular distribution of the emitted photon. For this we have to go back to the calculation of the spontaneous emission rate that originates from the quantized field so from (Fermi golden rule)  $\sum_{\mathbf{k}, \pm 1} |\langle i | \mathbf{d} | j \rangle \cdot \epsilon_{\mathbf{k} \pm 1}|^2 = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left[ \sum_p |\mathbf{d}_{ji} \cdot \mathbf{e}'_{\mathbf{k}p}|^2 - |\mathbf{d}_{ji} \cdot \mathbf{e}'_{\mathbf{k}0}|^2 \right]$ . So by defining the "polarization" vector of the emitted light as  $\mathbf{e}_{\text{pol}} = \mathbf{d}_{ji} / \|\mathbf{d}_{ji}\|$  we find that the probability distribution, for the direction  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{k}/k$  of the emitted photon, is given by  $\frac{3}{8\pi} [1 - |\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{e}_{\text{pol}}|^2]$ , with the proper normalization (to 1). We recover Eq. (1.45) (see also Eq. (7.427)) of Ref. [3]. In the code (get\_unit\_vector\_spontaneous\_emission function) the photon is taken randomly (with the Von Neumann's acceptance-rejection sampling method) using this distribution.

## 7. Diagonalization of the states

In most of the cases the eigenstates themselves are not changing during the evolution, only the energy changes. However, as explained in section VI A we have the possibility to diagonalize the hamiltonian, for instance, to calculate Zeeman and Stark effect for the magnetic  $\mathbf{B}$  and electric  $\mathbf{E}$  fields more exactly. For this purpose, we give the bare

states  $|i\rangle_0$ , their energies  $E_{i0}$ , and the dipole transition moments (in the Diagonalization\_Energy\_dipole function) as three matrix  $\{\mathbf{d}0_{-1}, \mathbf{d}0_0, \mathbf{d}0_{+1}\}$  in the quantization frame (so always assuming adiabatic following) with  $(\mathbf{d}0_q)_{ij} = d0_{ij;q} = {}_0\langle i|\hat{\mathbf{d}}|j\rangle_0 \cdot \mathbf{E}_q$ .

Then, for each local perturbation  $\hat{V}(\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}), \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}))$  (the perturbation  $\hat{V}$  matrix is given in the Diagonalization\_Energy function), we diagonalized  $\hat{H} = \hat{H}_0 + \hat{V}$  to get the new eigenvectors  $|i\rangle = \sum_{i_0} {}_0\langle i_0|i\rangle|i_0\rangle_0 = \sum_{i_0} \text{evec}_{i_0 i}|i_0\rangle_0$  with the eigenvectors matrix  $\text{evec}_{i_0 i} = {}_0\langle i_0|i\rangle$ . We can then calculate the new dipoles  $\langle i|\hat{\mathbf{d}}_q|j\rangle = (\text{evec}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{d}0_q \cdot \text{evec})_{ij}$  that is coded with the dipole vector  $\{d_{ij;-1}, d_{ij;0}, d_{ij;+1}\}$ .

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  - [7] From a dipole Matrix between all levels the dipole matrices could be calculated using Create\_dipole\_Lines\_from\_Matrices. And thus they are correct for the emission-absorption polarization.
  - [8] Depending on what the computer is doing meanwhile those times can fluctuate within few percent
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