Optical Pumping

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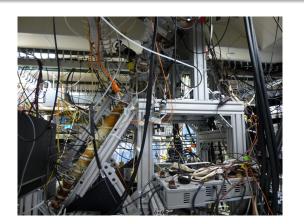
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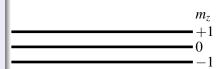
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- Apparatus and measurement.
- Data and result.

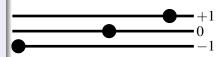
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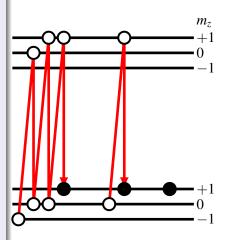




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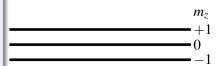
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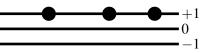


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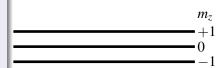




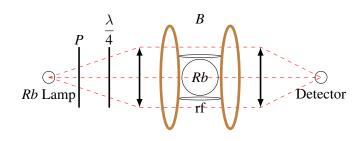
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- Circular polarization.
- \bullet ⁸⁵Rb and ⁸⁷Rb

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Scaning RF frequency at different *B* field.

- Measure/cancel earth magnetic field.
- Absorption strength (Natural Abundance).

$$I_{absorb} \propto N\!A \cdot g_F^2$$



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• Measure resonance frequency.

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- Scan RF frequency.
- Scan B field.
- Switch B field.

Switch *B* at different light intensity.

• Measure pumping rate.

$$R \propto I_{light}$$



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