

Midterm Formula Sheet (Fall 2012)

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Hermite-Gaussian Beams:

$$\frac{E(x, y, z)}{E_0} = H_m \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}x}{w(z)} \right) H_p \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}y}{w(z)} \right) \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \exp \left(-i \frac{kr^2}{2q(z)} \right) \times \exp \left(-i \left[kz - (1+m+p) \tan^{-1}(z/z_0) \right] \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{q(z)} = \frac{1}{R(z)} - i \frac{\lambda}{\pi w^2(z)}, \quad w^2(z) = w_0^2 \left(1 + \frac{z^2}{z_0^2} \right), \quad R(z) = z \left(1 + \frac{z_0^2}{z^2} \right), \quad z_0 = \frac{\pi n w_0^2}{\lambda_0}$$

$$k = n \frac{\omega}{c} = \frac{2\pi n}{\lambda_0}$$

$$\text{Irradiance: } I = \langle S \rangle = \frac{nc\epsilon_0}{2} E_0^2$$

$$\text{Snell's Law: } n_i \sin \theta_i = n_t \sin \theta_t$$

$$\text{Fresnel: } r_{\parallel} = \frac{n_t \cos \theta_i - n_i \cos \theta_t}{n_i \cos \theta_i + n_t \cos \theta_t} = \frac{\tan(\theta_i - \theta_t)}{\tan(\theta_i + \theta_t)} \quad r_{\perp} = -\frac{n_i \cos \theta_i - n_t \cos \theta_t}{n_i \cos \theta_i + n_t \cos \theta_t} = -\frac{\sin(\theta_i - \theta_t)}{\sin(\theta_i + \theta_t)}$$

$$t_{\parallel} = \frac{2n_i \cos \theta_i}{n_i \cos \theta_i + n_t \cos \theta_t} = \frac{2 \sin \theta_t \cos \theta_i}{\sin(\theta_i + \theta_t) \cos(\theta_i - \theta_t)} \quad t_{\perp} = \frac{2n_i \cos \theta_i}{n_i \cos \theta_i + n_t \cos \theta_t} = \frac{2 \sin \theta_t \cos \theta_i}{\sin(\theta_i + \theta_t)}$$

when there is total internal reflection at an air or vacuum interface:

$$r_{\parallel} = \frac{\cos \theta_i - i n_i \sqrt{n_i^2 \sin^2 \theta_i - 1}}{\cos \theta_i + i n_i \sqrt{n_i^2 \sin^2 \theta_i - 1}} \quad r_{\perp} = \frac{n_i \cos \theta_i - i \sqrt{n_i^2 \sin^2 \theta_i - 1}}{n_i \cos \theta_i + i \sqrt{n_i^2 \sin^2 \theta_i - 1}}$$

Lens-maker's formula:

$$\frac{1}{f} = (n-1) \left(\frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} \right)$$

Lens Transformation of a Gaussian beam:

$$\frac{1}{R_{out}} = \frac{1}{R_{in}} - \frac{1}{f}$$

Fabry-Perot Transmission and Reflection (general; with gain or absorption):

$$T(\theta, G_0) = \frac{G_0(1-R_1)(1-R_2)}{(1-G_0\sqrt{R_1R_2})^2 + 4G_0\sqrt{R_1R_2} \sin^2(\theta)}$$

$$R(\theta, G_0) = \frac{(\sqrt{R_1} - \sqrt{R_2})^2 + 4G_0\sqrt{R_1R_2} \sin^2(\theta)}{(1-G_0\sqrt{R_1R_2})^2 + 4G_0\sqrt{R_1R_2} \sin^2(\theta)}$$

$$2\Delta\theta_{1/2} = \frac{1-G_0\sqrt{R_1R_2}}{G_0^{1/2}\sqrt{R_1R_2}}$$

$$\theta = kd = \frac{\omega nd}{c}$$

for plane waves

$$\text{Finesse } F = \frac{\pi\sqrt{R_1R_2}}{1-\sqrt{R_1R_2}} = \frac{\Delta\nu_{FSR}}{\Delta\nu_{1/2}}$$

$$\text{Free Spectral Range: } \Delta\nu_{FSR} = \frac{c}{2nd} = \frac{1}{\tau_{RT}}$$

Photon Lifetime:

$$\tau_p = \frac{\tau_{RT}}{1-R_1R_2} \approx \frac{1}{2\pi\Delta\nu_{1/2}}$$

General Resonance Condition:
roundtrip phase change = $q2\pi$

$$\text{Blackbody Radiation (energy density): } \rho(\nu)d\nu = \frac{8\pi n^3 h\nu^3 d\nu}{c^3} \frac{1}{e^{h\nu/kT} - 1}$$

Lorentzian line shape:

e.g. in natural or pressure broadened

$$g(\nu) = \frac{\Delta\nu_h/2\pi}{(\nu - \nu_0)^2 + (\Delta\nu_h/2)^2}$$

Doppler broadened line shape

$$g(\nu) = \left(\frac{4\ln 2}{\pi} \right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{\Delta\nu_D} \exp \left[-4\ln 2 \left(\frac{\nu - \nu_0}{\Delta\nu_D} \right)^2 \right] \quad \text{with } \Delta\nu_D = \left(\frac{8kT \ln 2}{Mc^2} \right)^{1/2} \nu_0$$

Formula Sheet (page 2)

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Gain in a two-level system: $\gamma(\nu) = \sigma(\nu) \left[N_2 - \frac{g_2}{g_1} N_1 \right]$ Gain cross section: $\sigma(\nu) = A_{21} \frac{\lambda^2}{8\pi n^2} g(\nu)$

Lineshape Normalization: $\int g(\nu) d\nu = 1$ Beer's Law: $\frac{1}{I} \frac{dI}{dz} = -\alpha(I) + \gamma(I)$

Gain or absorption saturation in a homogeneously-broadened system:

$\gamma(I) = \frac{\gamma_0}{1 + I/I_s}$ or $\alpha(I) = \frac{\alpha_0}{1 + I/I_s}$ $I_s(\nu) = \frac{h\nu}{\sigma(\nu)\tau_2}$

Einstein's relation: $\frac{A_{21}}{B_{21}} = \frac{8\pi n^3 h\nu^3}{c^3}$ $g_2 B_{21} = g_1 B_{12}$ $\frac{N_2}{N_1} = \frac{g_2}{g_1} e^{-(E_2 - E_1)/kT}$

Degeneracy factors of level i: $g_i = 2J_i + 1$ (J_i is total angular momentum quantum number of that level)

Laser amplifier gain: $\ln \frac{G}{G_0} + \frac{G-1}{I_s/I_{in}} = 0$ where $G_0 = \exp(\gamma_0 L_g)$ is the small-signal gain, $G = I_{out}/I_{in}$

ABCD Matrices $\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$ AD-BC=1 $\begin{pmatrix} r_2 \\ r_2' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_1' \end{pmatrix}$

Free space of length d $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & d \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	Dielectric interface (from n_1 to n_2) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & n_1/n_2 \end{pmatrix}$
Propagation in a medium of length d and index $n_2=n$ immersed in vacuum ($n_1=1$). $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & d/n \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	Thin lens of focal length f $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1/f & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
Mirror with radius of curvature R $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2/R & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	Spherical dielectric interface $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ (1-n_1/n_2)/R & n_1/n_2 \end{pmatrix}$

ABCD rule for Gaussian beams:

$q_2 = \frac{Aq_1 + B}{Cq_1 + D}$ where

$q(z) = z + iz_0$

or

$\frac{1}{q(z)} = \frac{1}{R(z)} - i \frac{\lambda_0}{\pi n w(z)^2}$

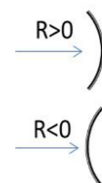
Stability condition: $-1 < (A+D)/2 < 1$

Laser Threshold: $G_0^2 S = 1$

S = passive cavity survival factor ($= R_1 R_2$ for a simple two mirror cavity)

Photon Density (Photon Number per Volume) $\frac{N_p}{V} = \frac{I}{h\nu c/n_g}$

convention for refractive and reflective surfaces:



Fundamental Physical Constants



Quantity	Symbol	Value
Speed of light	c	$2.99792458 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$
Planck constant	h	$6.6260755 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}$
Planck constant	h	$4.1356692 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV} \cdot \text{s}$
Planck hbar	$\hbar$	$1.0545727 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}$
Planck hbar	$\hbar$	$6.582121 \times 10^{-16} \text{ eV} \cdot \text{s}$
Gravitation constant	G	$6.67259 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^{-2}$
Boltzmann constant	k	$1.380658 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$
Molar gas constant	R	$8.314510 \text{ J/mol} \cdot \text{K}$
Charge of electron	e	$1.60217733 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
Permeability of vacuum	μ_0	$4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ N/A}^2$
Permittivity of vacuum	ϵ_0	$8.854187817 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$
Mass of electron	m_e	$9.1093897 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
Mass of proton	m_p	$1.6726231 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Mass of neutron	m_n	$1.6749286 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Avogadro's number	N_A	$6.0221367 \times 10^{23} / \text{mol}$
Stefan-Boltzmann constant	σ	$5.67051 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W/m}^2 \cdot \text{K}^4$
Rydberg constant	R_∞	$10973731.534 \text{ m}^{-1}$
Bohr magneton	μ_B	$9.2740154 \times 10^{-24} \text{ J/T}$
Bohr radius	a_0	$0.529177249 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$
Standard atmosphere	atm	101325 Pa

$$1\text{G} = 10^{-4} \text{ T}, \quad 1\text{eV} = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}, \quad 1\text{dyne} = 10^{-5} \text{ N}, \quad 1\text{erg} = 10^{-7} \text{ J}$$