

Electromagnetic field quantization in the presence of a medium

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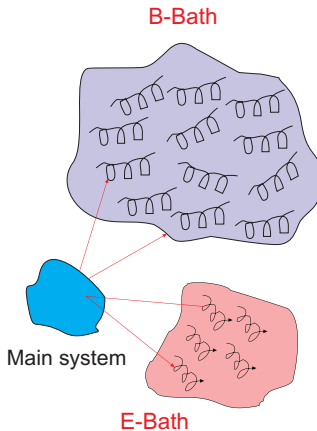
Why we quantize EF in the presence of a medium?

For example in the following problems

- Spontaneous emission of atoms close to dielectric surfaces,
- Energy level shifts of atoms close to dielectrics,
- Static and dynamical Casimir effects,
- Propagation of light pulses through a magneto-dielectric medium,
- Optical properties of nano-structures, etc.

Main idea: Modeling the medium with harmonic oscillators

Hopfield [1], Caldeira-Legget [2, 3], Huttner-Barnett [4], K[5, 6].



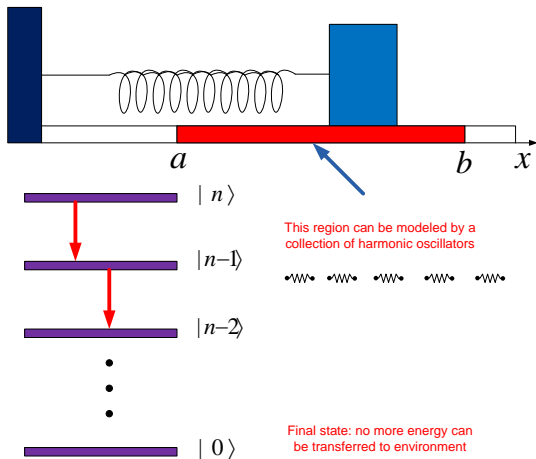
Generality of the approach

- It can be applied to a **general field theory** (Scalar, Vector, Tensor, Spinor) in the presence of a medium or external potentials K[7, 8].
- It can be applied to a general system in the presence of dissipative or **amplifying media** K[9].
- It can be applied to **nonlinear media** K[10]
- Radiation process like **Cherenkov radiation** K[11]

Methods of open quantum system theory:

- **Quantum Langevin equation** [12]
- **Lindblad super operator method** [13]
- **Master equation method** [14]
- **Path-integral method** [15]

The quantum damped harmonic oscillator K[16]



Harmonic oscillator

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \frac{1}{2}\dot{x}^2 - \frac{1}{2}\omega_0^2 x^2 \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty d\omega [\dot{Y}_\omega^2 - \omega^2 Y_\omega^2] \\ &+ \underbrace{\int_0^\infty d\omega f(x, \omega) Y_\omega \dot{x}}_{\text{Polarization}} \end{aligned}$$

$$p = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} = \dot{x} + \int_0^\infty d\omega f(x, \omega) Y_\omega$$

$$P_\omega = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{Y}_\omega} = \dot{Y}_\omega$$

$$[x, p] = i\hbar, \quad [Y_\omega, P_{\omega'}] = i\hbar\delta(\omega - \omega')$$

Harmonic oscillator

$$\ddot{\hat{x}} + \omega_0^2 \hat{x} + \underbrace{\partial_t \int_0^\infty d\omega f(x, \omega) Y_\omega}_P = 0$$

$$\ddot{\hat{Y}}_\omega + \omega^2 \hat{Y}_\omega = f(x, \omega) \dot{\hat{x}}$$

$$\hat{Y}_\omega = \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2\omega}} (\hat{a}_\omega e^{-i\omega t} + \hat{a}_\omega^\dagger e^{i\omega t})}_{\text{Noise or fluctuating field}} + \int_{-\infty}^t dt' \underbrace{\frac{\sin \omega(t-t')}{\omega}}_{\text{Green's function}} f(x, \omega) \dot{\hat{x}}(t')$$

$$[\hat{a}_\omega, \hat{a}_{\omega'}^\dagger] = \delta(\omega - \omega')$$

$$\hat{P}^N(x, t) = \int_0^\infty d\omega f(x, \omega) \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2\omega}} [\hat{a}_\omega e^{-i\omega t} + \hat{a}_\omega^\dagger e^{i\omega t}]$$

Response function \leftrightarrow Coupling function

$$\chi(t-t') = \int_0^\infty d\omega \frac{f^2(\omega)}{\omega} \sin[\omega(t-t')] \mapsto f(\omega) = \sqrt{\frac{2\omega}{\pi} \text{Im}[\chi(\omega)]}$$

$$\ddot{\hat{x}} + \omega_0^2 \hat{x} + \partial_t \int_{-\infty}^t dt' \chi(t-t') \dot{\hat{x}}(t') = -\hat{P}^N(t) = \hat{F}^N(t)$$

Example: Set $\chi(t-t') = 2\gamma\theta(t-t')$ then

$$\ddot{\hat{x}} + 2\gamma\dot{\hat{x}} + \omega_0^2 \hat{x} = \hat{F}^N(t)$$

$$\hat{P}^{N+}(\omega) = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar\pi}{\omega}} f(\omega) \hat{a}_\omega$$

$$\langle \hat{P}^{N-}(\omega) \hat{P}^{N+}(\omega') \rangle = 2\hbar \text{Im}[\chi(\omega)] \frac{1}{e^{\beta\hbar\omega} - 1} \delta(\omega - \omega')$$

$$H = \sum p_i \dot{q}_i - L$$

Minimal coupling K[8]

↓

$$H = \frac{(p - P)^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \omega_0^2 x^2 + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty d\omega [P_\omega^2 + \omega^2 Y_\omega^2]$$

$$P = \int_0^\infty d\omega f(\omega) Y_\omega$$

$$H_{int} = -pP$$

Fermi's golden rule

$$\Gamma = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar^2} \sum_f |\langle f | H_{int} | 0 \rangle|^2 \delta(\omega - \omega')$$

↓

The probability rate for transitions $|n\rangle \rightarrow |n \pm 1\rangle$ are given by

$$\Gamma_{|n\rangle \rightarrow |n-1\rangle} = \frac{n\omega_0\pi}{\hbar} |f(\omega_0)|^2 \frac{e^{\beta\hbar\omega_0}}{e^{\beta\hbar\omega_0} - 1},$$

$$\Gamma_{|n\rangle \rightarrow |n+1\rangle} = \frac{n\omega_0\pi}{\hbar} |f(\omega_0)|^2 \frac{1}{e^{\beta\hbar\omega_0} - 1},$$

where $\beta = \frac{1}{k_B T}$. At $T = 0$ there is only dissipation. This formalism can be generalized to amplifying media K[9].

Static magnetodielectric medium

Note that electromagnetic field is a collection of harmonic oscillators and we know how to quantize an oscillator in the presence of its environment so what follows is a straightforward generalization.

Temporal gauge: $A^0 = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{E} = -\partial_t \mathbf{A}$, $\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 (\partial_t \mathbf{A})^2 - \frac{1}{2\mu_0} (\nabla \times \mathbf{A})^2 \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty d\nu [(\partial_t \mathbf{X})^2 - \nu^2 \mathbf{X}^2] \rightarrow \text{elec. properties} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty d\nu [(\partial_t \mathbf{Y})^2 - \nu^2 \mathbf{Y}^2] \rightarrow \text{magn. properties} \\ &- \epsilon_0 \int_0^\infty d\nu f_{ij}(\mathbf{r}, t, \nu) X^j \partial_t A_i \rightarrow (\mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{E}) \\ &+ \frac{1}{\mu_0} \int_0^\infty d\nu g_{ij}(\mathbf{r}, t, \nu) Y^j (\nabla \times \mathbf{A})_i \rightarrow (\mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \end{aligned}$$

Static magnetodielectric medium

Definition of polarizations:

$$P_i(\mathbf{r}, t) = \epsilon_0 \int_0^\infty d\nu f_{ij}(\mathbf{r}, t, \nu) X^j,$$
$$M_i(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \int_0^\infty d\nu g_{ij}(\mathbf{r}, t, \nu) Y^j$$

Following the same steps for harmonic oscillator we have

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \mathbf{P}^N(\mathbf{r}, \omega) + \epsilon_0^2 \int_0^\infty d\nu \frac{f_{ij} f_{kj} E_k}{\nu^2 - \omega^2},$$
$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \mathbf{M}^N(\mathbf{r}, \omega) + \frac{1}{\mu_0^2} \int_0^\infty d\nu \frac{g_{ij} g_{kj} B_k}{\nu^2 - \omega^2},$$

Static magnetodielectric medium

Define response tensors by:

$$\chi_{ik}^e(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \epsilon_0 \int_0^\infty d\nu \frac{f_{ij}(\mathbf{r}, \nu) f_{kj}(\mathbf{r}, \nu)}{\nu^2 - \omega^2},$$
$$\chi_{ik}^m(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \int_0^\infty d\nu \frac{g_{ij}(\mathbf{r}, \nu) g_{kj}(\mathbf{r}, \nu)}{\nu^2 - \omega^2},$$

We can assume $f = f^t$ and $g = g^t$, therefore:

$$\bar{f}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \sqrt{\frac{2\omega}{\pi\epsilon_0} \text{Im}\bar{\chi}^e(\mathbf{r}, \omega)},$$
$$\bar{g}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \sqrt{\frac{2\omega\mu_0}{\pi} \text{Im}\bar{\chi}^m(\mathbf{r}, \omega)},$$

Static magnetodielectric medium

$$\nabla \times \left(\frac{\mathbf{1}}{\bar{\mu}} \cdot \nabla \times \mathbf{E} \right) - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \bar{\epsilon} \cdot \mathbf{E} = \mu_0 \omega^2 \mathbf{P}^N + i \mu_0 \omega \nabla \times \mathbf{M}^N$$

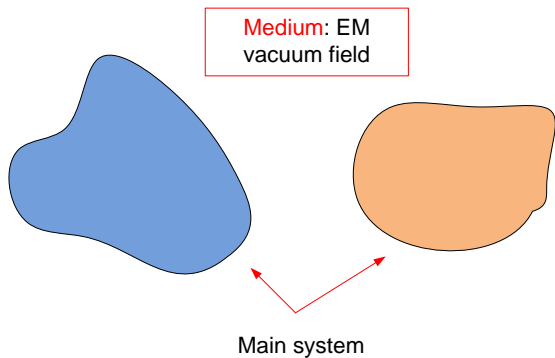
where

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mu}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) &= \frac{\mathbf{1}}{\mathbf{1} - \bar{\chi}^m(\mathbf{r}, \omega)}, \quad \text{magn. permeability} \\ \bar{\epsilon}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) &= \mathbf{1} + \bar{\chi}^e(\mathbf{r}, \omega), \quad \text{elec. permittivity} \end{aligned}$$

For **non magnetic** and **isotropic** matter we have

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \mathbf{E} - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon(\mathbf{r}, \omega) \mathbf{E} = \mu_0 \omega^2 \mathbf{P}^N$$

Example 4: Casimir effect



Casimir effect

Total Lagrangian density:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0\left(\frac{\partial\mathbf{A}}{\partial t}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{2\mu_0}(\nabla\times\mathbf{A})^2 \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}\int_0^\infty d\nu\left[\left(\frac{\partial\mathbf{X}_\nu}{\partial t}\right)^2 - \nu^2\mathbf{X}_\nu^2\right] \\ &- \epsilon_0\int_0^\infty d\nu\left(\frac{\partial\mathbf{A}}{\partial t}\right)\cdot\bar{\mathbf{f}}\cdot\mathbf{X}\end{aligned}$$

Wick rotation:

$$it = \tau \rightarrow dt = -id\tau, \quad \partial_t = i\partial_\tau$$

$$iS = i\int d\mathbf{r}\int_0^t dt\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \int d\mathbf{r}\int_0^\beta d\tau\mathcal{L}_E$$

Casimir effect

Euclidean Lagrangian density:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_E &= -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{A} \cdot \underbrace{\left(-\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \tau^2} + \frac{1}{\mu_0} \nabla \times \nabla \times \right)}_{\bar{D}} \cdot \mathbf{A} \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty d\nu \mathbf{X} \cdot \underbrace{\left(-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \tau^2} + \nu^2 \right)}_{\bar{B}} \cdot \mathbf{X} \\ &\quad + \epsilon_0 \int_0^\infty d\nu \mathbf{A} \cdot \bar{f} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial t}\end{aligned}$$

$$Z = \int D[\mathbf{A}] \prod_{\nu \geq 0} D[\mathbf{X}_\nu] e^{S_E[\mathbf{A}, \{\mathbf{X}_\nu\}]} = \text{tr} e^{S_E[\mathbf{A}, \{\mathbf{X}_\nu\}]}$$

Casimir effect

$$Z = \int \prod_{\nu \geq 0} D[\mathbf{X}_\nu] D[\mathbf{A}] e^{-\frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} \int_0^\beta d\tau [\mathbf{A} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{D}} \cdot \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{J}]} \\ \times e^{-\frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} \int_0^\beta d\tau \int_0^\infty d\nu \mathbf{X}_\nu \cdot \bar{\mathbf{B}} \cdot \mathbf{X}_\nu}$$

where

$$\mathbf{J} = \int_0^\infty d\nu \bar{\mathbf{f}} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_\nu}{\partial \tau}$$

Casimir effect

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, \tau) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty'} [\mathbf{A}_n(\mathbf{r})e^{-i\omega_n\tau} + \mathbf{A}_n^*(\mathbf{r})e^{i\omega_n\tau}] \\ \mathbf{X}_\nu(\mathbf{r}, \tau) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty'} [\mathbf{X}_{\nu,n}(\mathbf{r})e^{-i\omega_n\tau} + \mathbf{X}_{\nu,n}^*(\mathbf{r})e^{i\omega_n\tau}]\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

where $\omega_n = \frac{2\pi n}{\beta}$ are Matsubara frequencies for bosonic fields.

$$\int_0^\beta e^{i(\omega_n - \omega_m)\tau} d\tau = \beta \delta_{nm}$$

Casimir effect

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \int \prod_{n,\nu \geq 0} D[\mathbf{X}_{\nu,n}] D[\mathbf{X}_{\nu,n}^*] \prod_{n \geq 0} D[\mathbf{A}_n] D[\mathbf{A}_n^*] \\ &\times e^{-\frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty'} (\mathbf{A}_n \cdot \beta \bar{D} \cdot \mathbf{A}_n^* + \mathbf{A}_n^* \cdot \beta \bar{D} \cdot \mathbf{A}_n + \mathbf{A}_n \cdot \mathbf{J}_n^* + \mathbf{A}_n^* \cdot \mathbf{J}_n)} \\ &\times e^{-\frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} \int_0^{\infty} d\nu (\mathbf{X}_{\nu,n}^* \cdot \beta \bar{B} \cdot \mathbf{X}_{\nu,n} + \mathbf{X}_{\nu,n} \cdot \beta \bar{B} \cdot \mathbf{X}_{\nu,n}^*)} \end{aligned}$$

Now we integrate over EF degrees of freedom.

$$\begin{aligned}
 Z &= \underbrace{\prod_{n \geq 0} (\det[\beta \bar{D}])^{-1}}_{\text{partition function of free EF}} \int \prod_{n, \nu \geq 0} D[\mathbf{x}_{\nu, n}] D[\mathbf{x}_{\nu, n}^*] \\
 &\times e^{-\frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} \int_0^\infty d\nu (\mathbf{x}_{\nu, n}^* \cdot \beta \bar{\mathbf{B}} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{\nu, n} + \mathbf{x}_{\nu, n} \cdot \beta \bar{\mathbf{B}} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{\nu, n}^*)} \\
 &\times e^{\int \int d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \mathbf{J}_n^*(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \frac{1}{\beta} \bar{\mathbf{G}} \cdot \mathbf{J}_n(\mathbf{r}')}
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\bar{\mathbf{G}}_0 = \bar{\mathbf{D}}^{-1}$ is the free EF dyadic Green's function $\bar{\mathbf{D}} \bar{\mathbf{G}}_0 = \mathbb{I}$.

Casimir effect

Now we integrate over matter degrees of freedom in a similar way to find

$$Z = \underbrace{\prod_{n \geq 0} (\det[\beta \bar{D}])^{-1}}_{Z_{EF}^0} \underbrace{\prod_{n \geq 0} (\det[\beta \bar{B}])^{-1}}_{Z_M^0} \\ \times \underbrace{\prod_{n \geq 0} (\det[1 + \omega_n^2 G_B \bar{f}^t \cdot \bar{G}_0 \cdot \bar{f}])^{-1}}_{Z_{eff}}$$

Now using $\ln[\det \hat{O}] = tr \ln[\hat{O}]$ we find

$$\ln Z_{\text{eff}} = - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty'} \text{tr} \ln [1 + \omega_n^2 G_B \cdot \bar{f}^t \cdot \bar{G}_0 \cdot \bar{f}]$$

$$\ln(1+x) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{m-1} \frac{x^m}{m}$$

$$\chi_{ik}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \int_0^{\infty} d\nu \frac{f_{ij}(\mathbf{r}, \nu) f_{kj}(\mathbf{r}, \nu)}{\nu^2 - \omega^2}$$

$$\bar{\chi}(\mathbf{r}, i\omega_n) = \text{tr}_{\nu} [G_B(i\omega_n) \bar{f}(\mathbf{r}) \bar{f}^t(\mathbf{r})]$$

$$\ln Z_{eff} = - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty'} \text{tr}_{|i,r\rangle} \ln \underbrace{[1 + \bar{\chi}(i\omega_n) \cdot \bar{G}_0(i\omega_n)]}_{\bar{G} \cdot \bar{G}_0^{-1}}$$

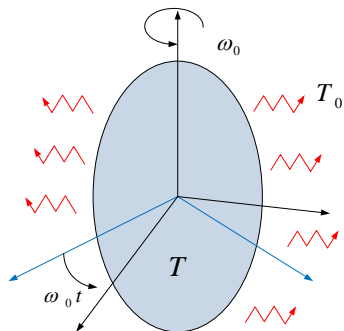
The free energy is defined by

$$F = -k_B T \ln Z_{eff} = k_B T \sum_{n=0}^{\infty'} \text{tr}_{|i,r\rangle} \ln [1 + \bar{\chi}(i\omega_n) \cdot \bar{G}_0(i\omega_n)]$$

In zero temperature $\int_0^\infty \frac{d\zeta}{2\pi} \leftrightarrow k_B T \sum_{n=0}^{\infty'}$

$$F = \int_0^\infty \frac{d\zeta}{2\pi} \text{tr} \ln [1 + \bar{\chi}(i\zeta) \cdot \bar{G}_0(i\zeta)]$$

Rotating Dielectric



$$\begin{aligned} \rho' &= \rho, \quad \varphi' = \varphi - \omega_0 t, \quad z' = z, \quad t' = t, \\ \partial_{\rho'} &= \partial_{\rho}, \quad \partial_{\varphi'} = \partial_{\varphi}, \quad \partial_{z'} = \partial_z, \quad \partial_{t'} = \partial_t + \omega_0 \partial_{\varphi}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L} &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 (\partial_t \mathbf{A})^2 - \frac{1}{2\mu_0} (\nabla \times \mathbf{A})^2 \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty d\nu [(\partial_t \mathbf{X} + \omega_0 \partial_\varphi \mathbf{X})^2 - \nu^2 \mathbf{X}^2] \\
 &- \epsilon_0 \int_0^\infty d\nu f_{ij}(\nu, \mathbf{t}) X^j \partial_t A_i \\
 &+ \epsilon_0 \int_0^\infty d\nu f_{ij}(\nu, \mathbf{t}) X^j (\mathbf{v} \times \nabla \times \mathbf{A})_i
 \end{aligned}$$

Coupling tensor

Coupling tensor is now time-dependent

$$f_{ij}(\nu, t) = \begin{pmatrix} f_{xx}(\nu) \cos(\omega_0 t) & f_{xx}(\nu) \sin(\omega_0 t) & 0 \\ -f_{yy}(\nu) \sin(\omega_0 t) & f_{yy}(\nu) \cos(\omega_0 t) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & f_{zz}(\nu) \end{pmatrix}$$

We assume $f_{xx} = f_{yy}$ in body frame.

Lagrangian can be generalized to a covariant one including the magnetic properties.

Main equation

Main equation

$$[\nabla \times \nabla \times - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \mathbb{I} - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \tilde{\mathbb{D}} \cdot \chi^{ee}(\omega, -i\partial_\varphi) \cdot \mathbb{D}] \cdot \mathbf{E} = \mu_0 \omega^2 \tilde{\mathbb{D}} \mathbf{P}^N$$

where $\mathbb{D} = \mathbf{1} + \frac{1}{i\omega} \mathbf{v} \times \nabla \times$ and $\tilde{\mathbb{D}} = \mathbf{1} + \frac{1}{i\omega} \nabla \times \mathbf{v} \times$. The presence of operators $\mathbb{D}, \tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ in this recent equation makes it **a complicated equation**. For **small velocity regime** ($v/c \ll 1$) we can set approximately $\mathbb{D}, \tilde{\mathbb{D}} \approx \mathbf{1}$ and in high velocity regime **numerical calculations** may be applied.

Fluctuation-Dissipation relations

$$\langle P_i^N(\mathbf{r}, \omega) P_j^{N\dagger}(\mathbf{r}', \omega') \rangle = 4\pi\epsilon_0 \hbar \delta_{ij} \Gamma_{ij}(\omega, -i\partial_\varphi) \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \delta(\omega - \omega')$$

where Γ_{ij} are defined by $\Gamma_{xz} = \Gamma_{zx} = \Gamma_{yz} = \Gamma_{zy} = 0$,

$$\Gamma_{zz}(\omega, m) = 2\text{Im}[\chi_{zz}^0(m\omega_0 - \omega)] a_T(m\omega_0 - \omega),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{xx}(\omega, m) &= \text{Im}[\chi_{xx}^0(m\omega_0 - \omega_+) a_T(m\omega_0 - \omega_+)] \\ &+ \text{Im}[\chi_{xx}^0(m\omega_0 - \omega_-) a_T(m\omega_0 - \omega_-)], \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{xy}(\omega, m) &= i \text{Im}[\chi_{xx}^0(m\omega_0 - \omega_-) a_T(m\omega_0 - \omega_-)] \\ &- i \text{Im}[\chi_{xx}^0(m\omega_0 - \omega_+) a_T(m\omega_0 - \omega_+)], \end{aligned}$$

and $a_T(\omega) = \coth(\hbar\omega/2k_B T) = 2[n_T(\omega) + \frac{1}{2}]$

$$\begin{aligned}
 H = & \int_V d\mathbf{r} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0} (\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{D})^2 + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} (\nabla \times \mathbf{A})^2 \right. \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty d\nu [\mathbf{Q}_\nu^2 + \nu^2 \mathbf{X}_\nu^2] \\
 & \left. - \omega_0 \int_0^\infty d\nu \mathbf{Q}_\nu \cdot \partial_\varphi \mathbf{X}_\nu - \mathbf{P} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \nabla \times \mathbf{A}) \right\}
 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Interaction:

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_{int} = & - \int_{V_s} d\mathbf{r} [\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}, t) \cdot \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) \\
 & + \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}, t) \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \nabla \times \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t))], \\
 = & - \int_V d\mathbf{r} [\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}, t) \cdot \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) + (\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}, t) \times \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}, t)]
 \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

The radiated power

The radiated power can be written as

$$\langle \mathcal{P} \rangle = - \int_V d\mathbf{r} \langle [\partial_t \mathbf{P} - \nabla \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{P})] \cdot (\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) \rangle$$

where $|\rangle = |\text{vacuum}\rangle_{T_0} \otimes |\text{matter}\rangle_T$ is the tensor product of initial thermal states of the electromagnetic and matter field which are supposed to be held at temperatures T_0 and T respectively. For **small bodies** or **small velocities** we have

$$\langle \mathcal{P} \rangle = - \int_{V_s} d\mathbf{r} \langle \partial_t \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{E} \rangle. \quad (4)$$

The radiated power

For an extended body with azimuthal symmetry and small velocity we have

$$\langle \mathcal{P} \rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2\pi c^2} \int d\mathbf{r} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \omega^3 [a_T(\omega - \omega_0 \hat{l}_z) - a_{T_0}(\omega)] \\ \{ \text{Im} \chi_{zz}^{\circ}(\omega - \omega_0 \hat{l}_z) \text{Im} G_{zz}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) + \text{Im} \chi_{xx}^{\circ}(\omega - \omega_0 \hat{l}_z) \\ \times \text{Im} [G_{xx}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) + G_{yy}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega)] \cos(\varphi - \varphi') \} \Big|_{\mathbf{r}' \rightarrow \mathbf{r}}$$

where $\hat{l}_z = -i\partial_{\varphi}$, and we used the symmetry properties of tensors $G_{ij}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega)$ and $\Gamma_{ij}(\omega, -i\partial_{\varphi})$.

$$\omega(t) = \omega_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

$$\tau(\text{Stopping time}) = \frac{(\hbar c)^3}{\pi} \frac{\rho a^2 \sigma_0}{(k_b T_0)^4}$$

ρ = Particle density










Graphite particles are abundant in interstellar dust [F. Hoyle and N. C. Wickramasinghe, Mon. Not. R. Astron. Soc. 124, 417 (1962)]






$\sigma_0 = 2.3 \times 10^4 (2.0 \times 10^5)$, $a = 10(100)nm$,

For $a = 10nm$, $T_0 = 1000K \rightarrow \tau \approx 1\text{Day}$

For $a = 10nm$, $T_0 \approx \text{room temperature} \rightarrow \tau \approx 1\text{Year}$

For $a = 100nm$, $T_0 = 2.7K \rightarrow \tau \sim 0.6 \text{ billion years}$

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