

Lorentz model of light-atom interaction

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Solution: The differential equation is,

$$m\ddot{x} + m\Gamma\dot{x} + m\omega_0^2 x = e\mathcal{E}_0 e^{i\omega t} .$$

The ansatz $x \equiv x_0 e^{i\omega t}$ leads to the oscillation amplitude,

$$x_0(\omega) = \left| \frac{e\mathcal{E}_0}{m} \frac{1}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - i\Gamma\omega} \right| .$$

For small detunings $\delta = \omega - \omega_0 \ll \omega$ vale

$$x_0(\omega) \simeq \frac{e\mathcal{E}_0}{m} \left| \frac{1}{2\omega_0(\omega_0 - \omega) + i\Gamma\omega_0} \right| = \frac{e\mathcal{E}_0}{m\omega_0} \left| \frac{1}{\delta - i\frac{\Gamma}{2}} \right| .$$

We also have,

$$\phi(\omega) = \frac{\text{Im } \alpha}{\text{Re } \alpha} = \frac{-\gamma\omega^2}{\omega^2 - \omega_0^2} \xrightarrow{\omega \rightarrow \omega_0} \frac{\gamma}{2\Delta} .$$