

Quantized Light – Matter Interactions

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RWA and resonant approximation

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Jaynes-Cummings Hamiltonian

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Eigenstates of $\hat{H}_0 = \hat{H}_F + \hat{H}_A$

State Energy

$|2, n\rangle$ $\hbar\omega n + \hbar\omega_{21}$

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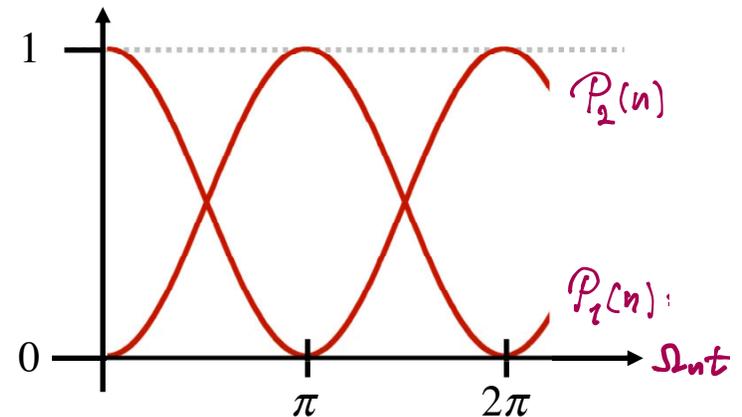
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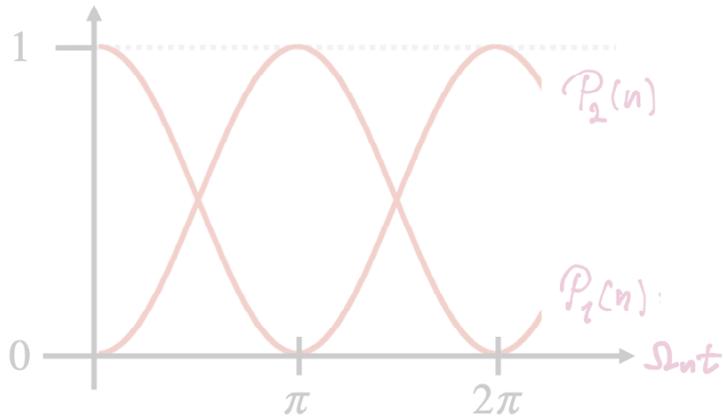
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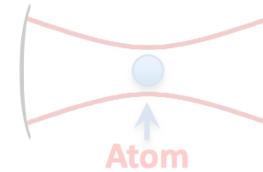
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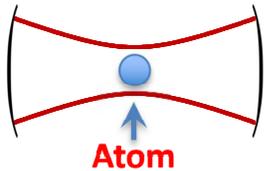
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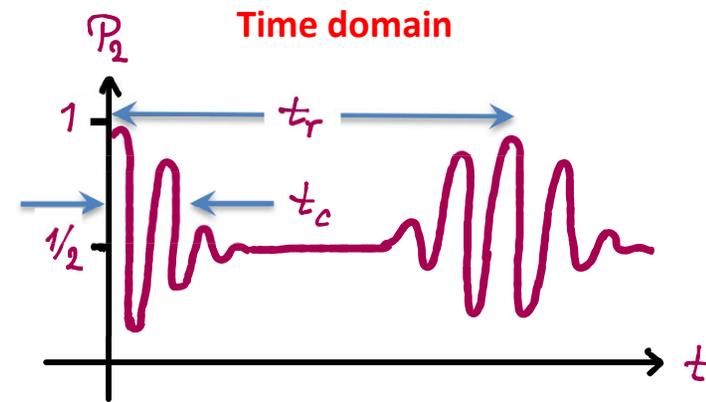
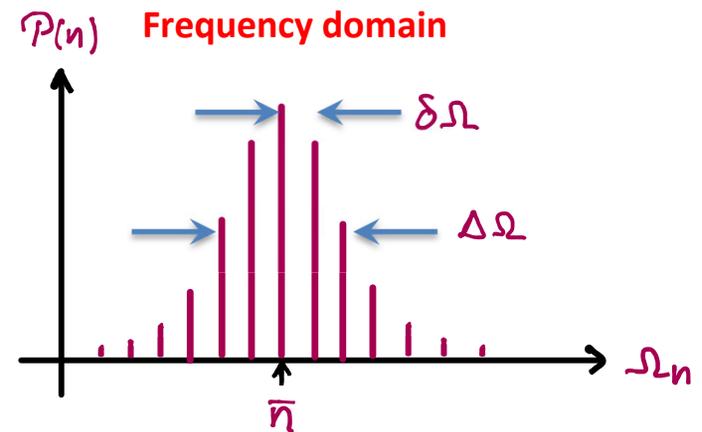
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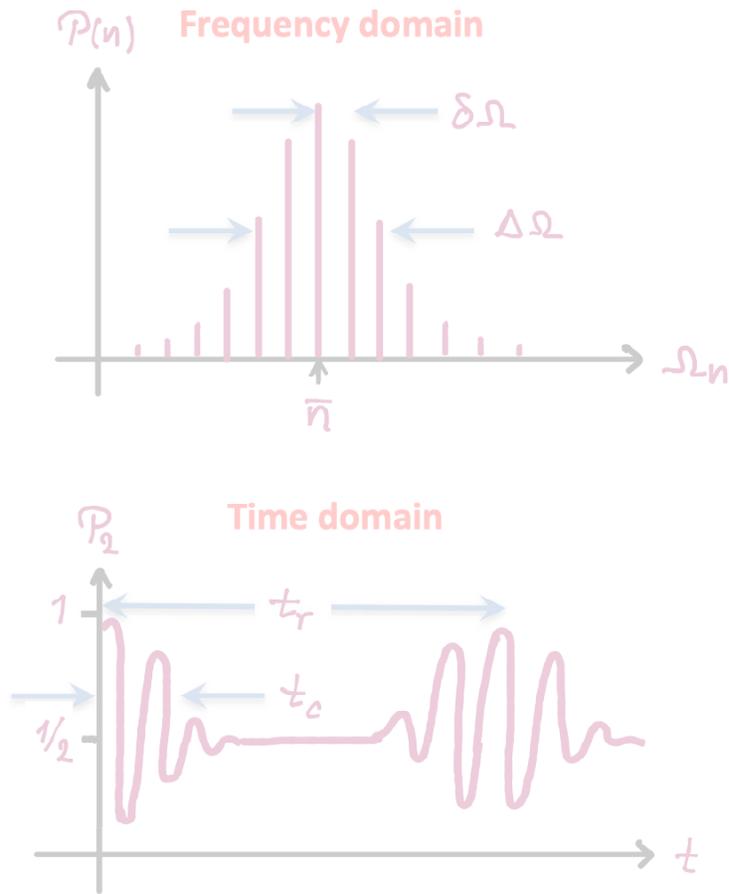


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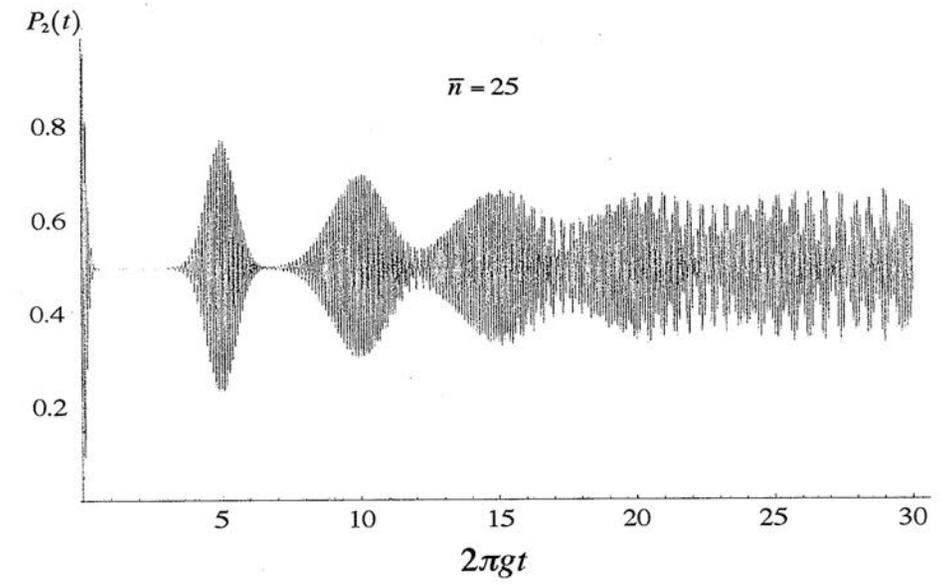
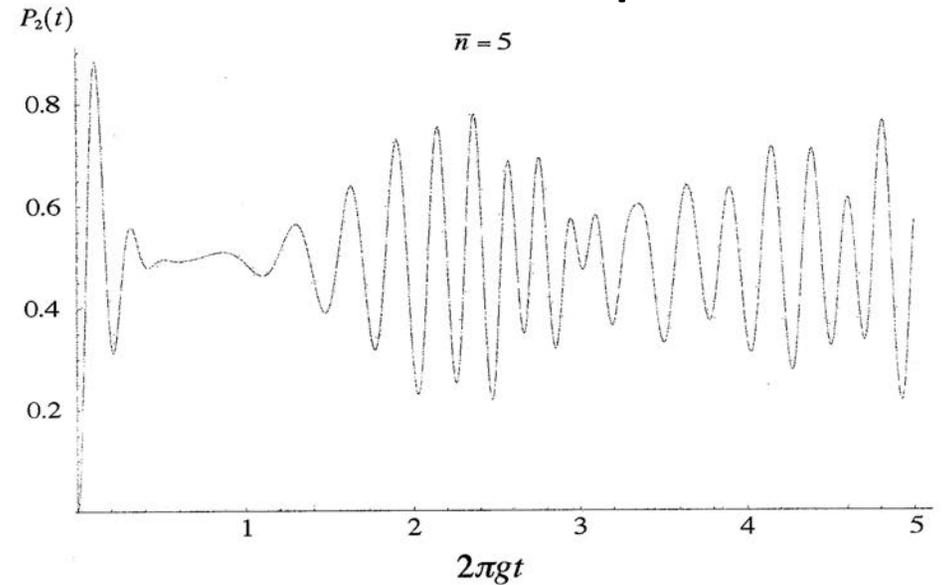
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Numerical examples

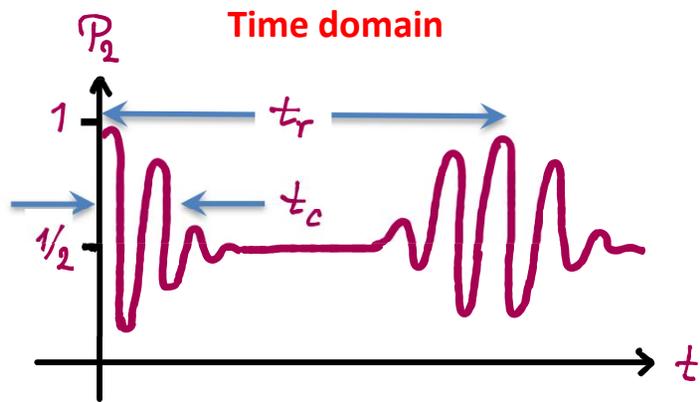
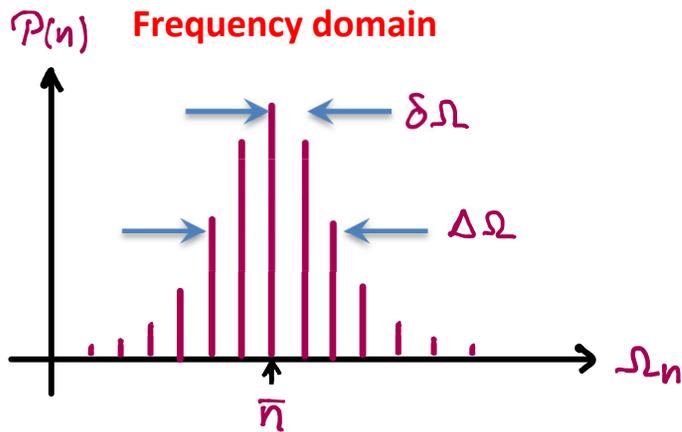


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Collapse & Revival Dynamics

Pure Quantum Phenomenon

(“graininess” of photons)

Classical limit $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} V \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \xi_h \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow g \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow t_c \rightarrow \infty \\ \bar{n} \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \frac{\Delta \Omega}{\Omega_{\bar{n}}} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \Omega_{\bar{n}} > 0 \end{array} \right.$ well defined

$$\Omega_{\bar{n}} = 2g\sqrt{\bar{n}} = \frac{\vec{n}_{21} \cdot 2\hat{\Sigma}_R \xi_R \sqrt{\bar{n}}}{\hbar} = \frac{\vec{n}_{21} \cdot \vec{E}}{\hbar}$$

Classical Rabi frequency

mean field $\langle \alpha(t) | \hat{E} | \alpha(t) \rangle$

THE BORDER TERRITORY

QUANTUM DOMAIN

CLASSICAL DOMAIN

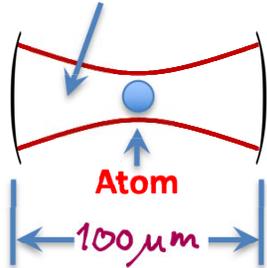


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Gaussian beam mode



$$c/2L \gg A_{21}$$

$$|g_{\vec{k}}| \gg A_{21} \delta$$

Energy levels of the atom-cavity system

Bare & Dressed States

Return to single - mode result

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_F + \hat{H}_A + \hat{H}_{AF} =$$

$$\hbar\omega\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a} + \frac{1}{2}\omega_{21}\hat{\sigma}_z \quad \rightarrow H_0$$

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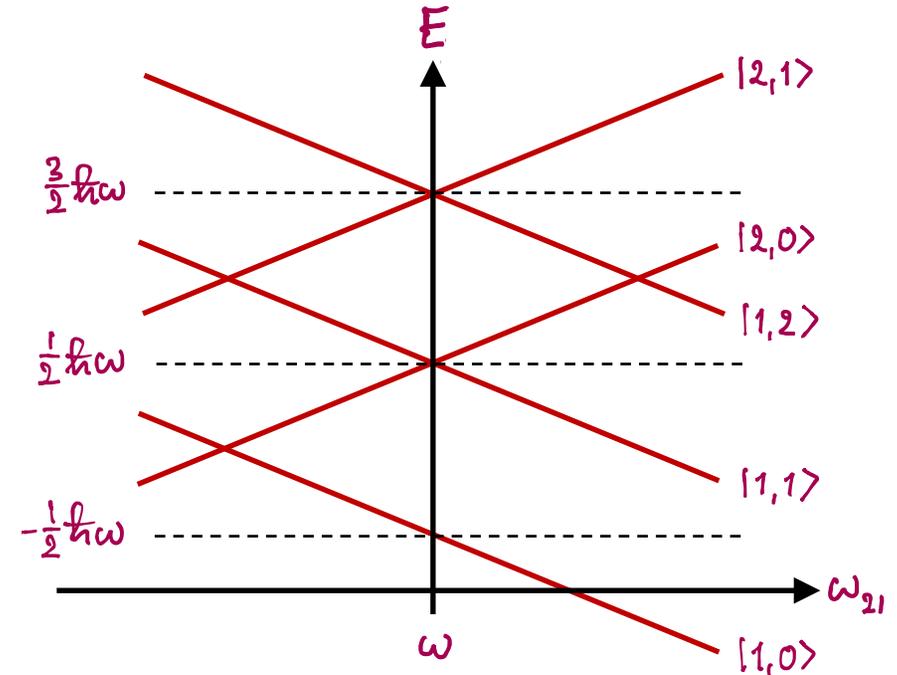
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Imagine we can tune ω_{21}

Energy level diagram



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 excitations

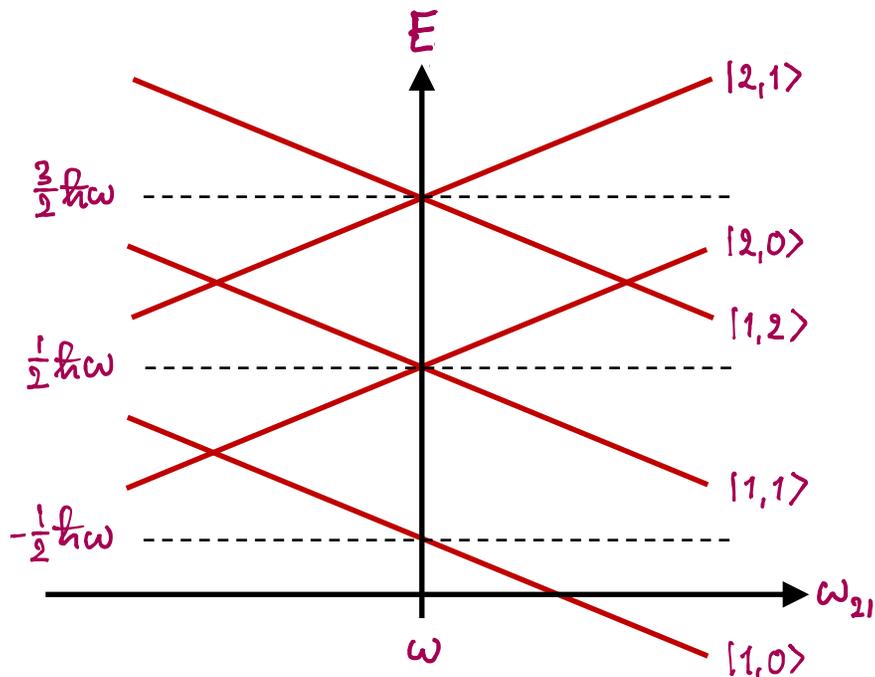
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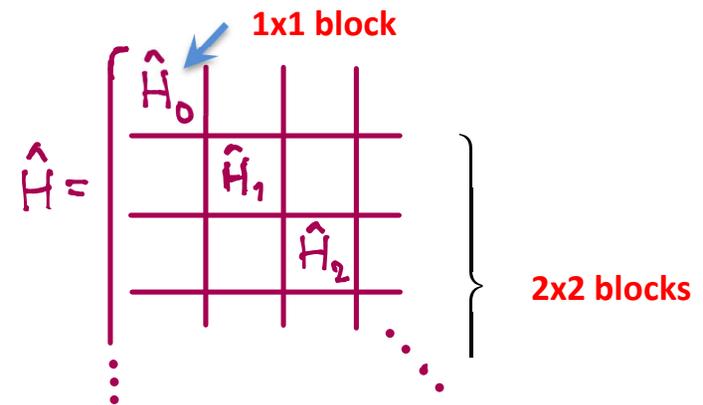
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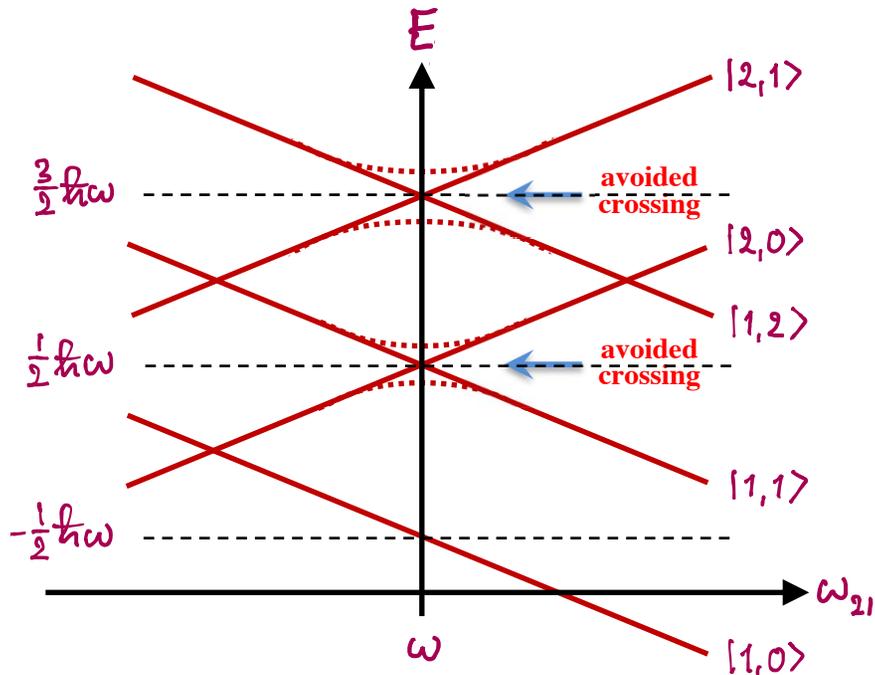
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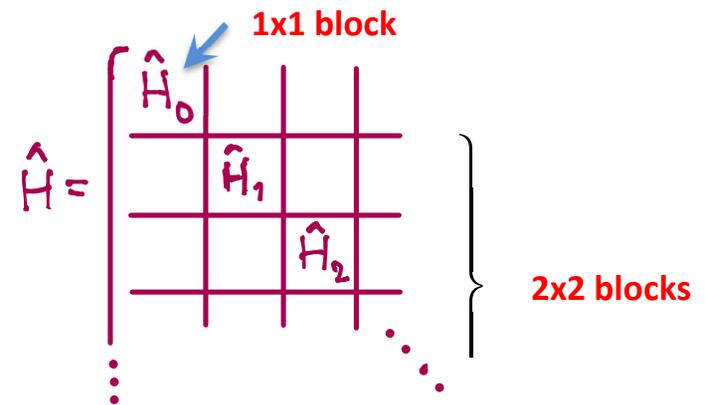
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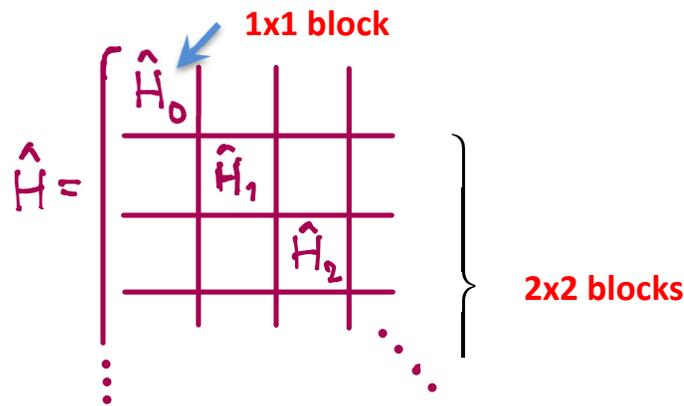
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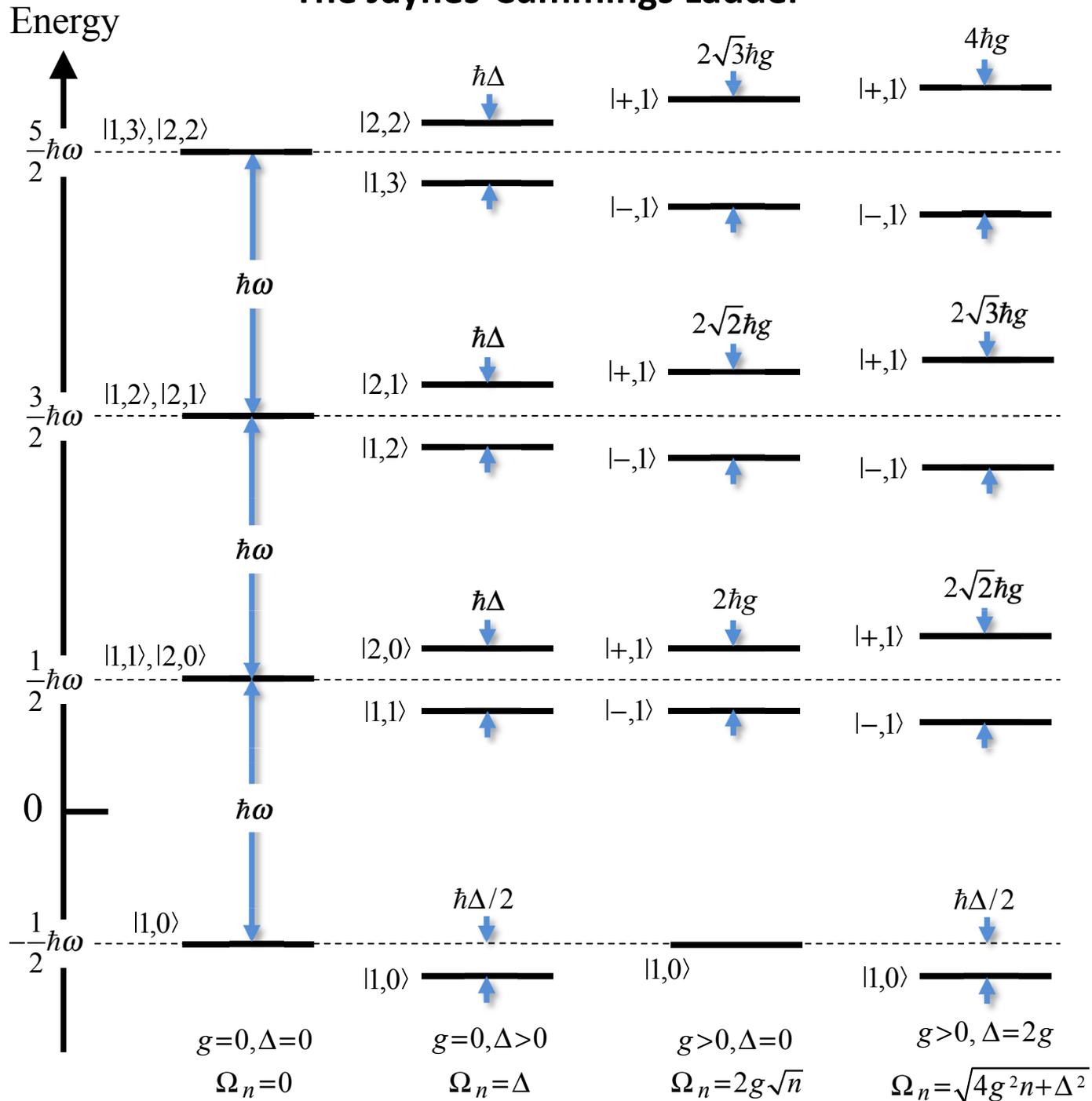
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Mixing angle $\tan \Theta_n = -\frac{2g\sqrt{n}}{\Delta}$

Energy Spectrum?

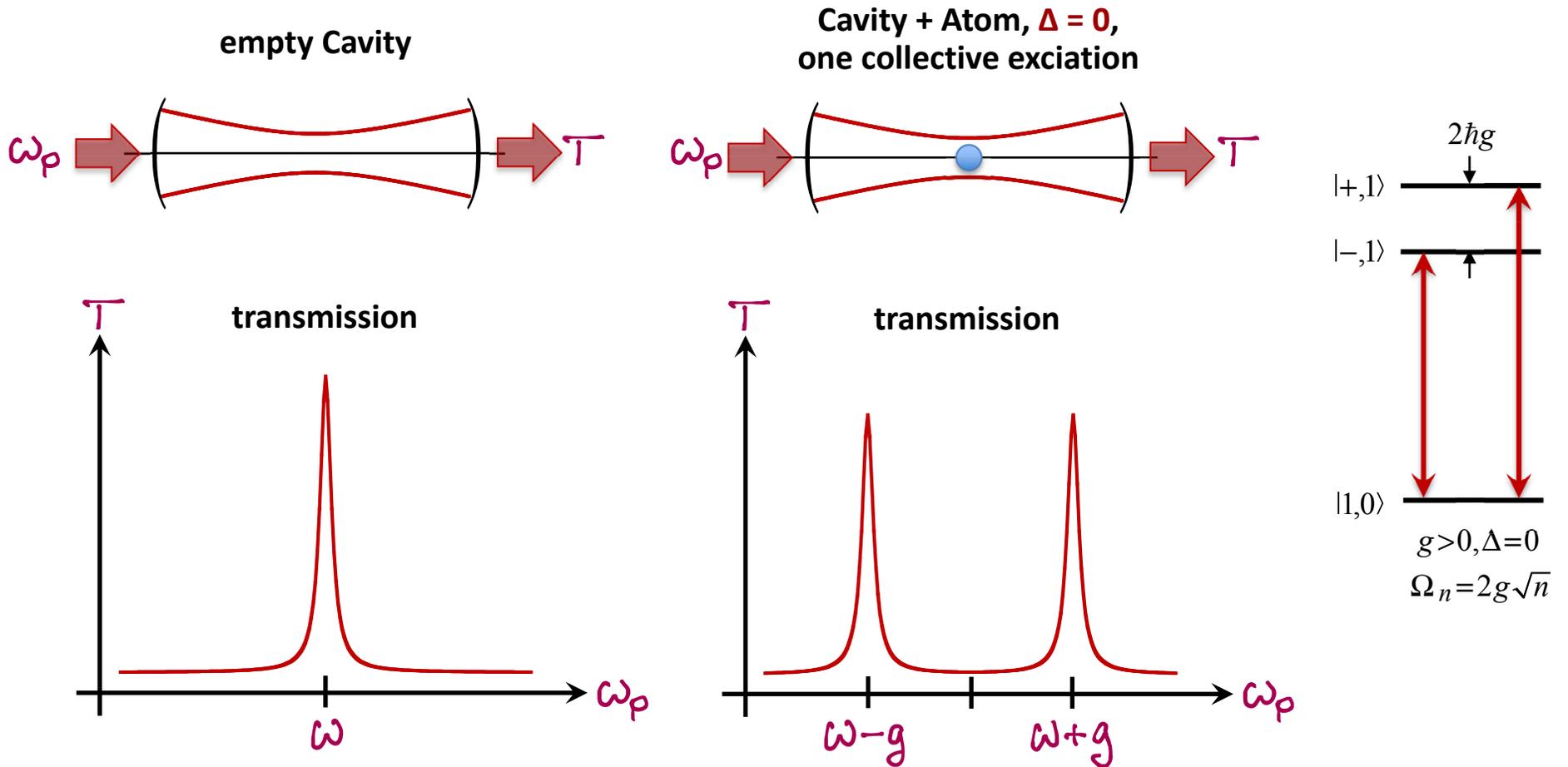
The Jaynes-Cummings Ladder



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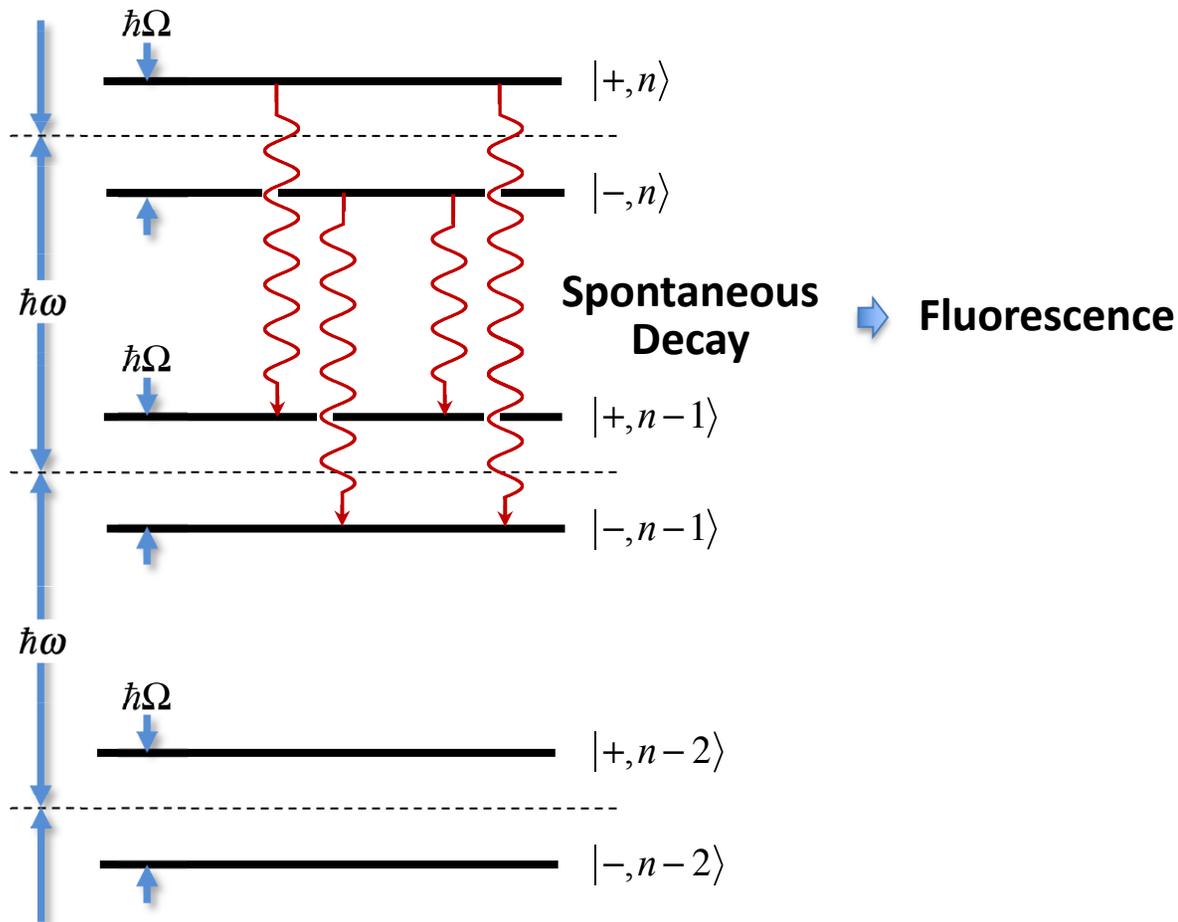
Vacuum Rabi splitting

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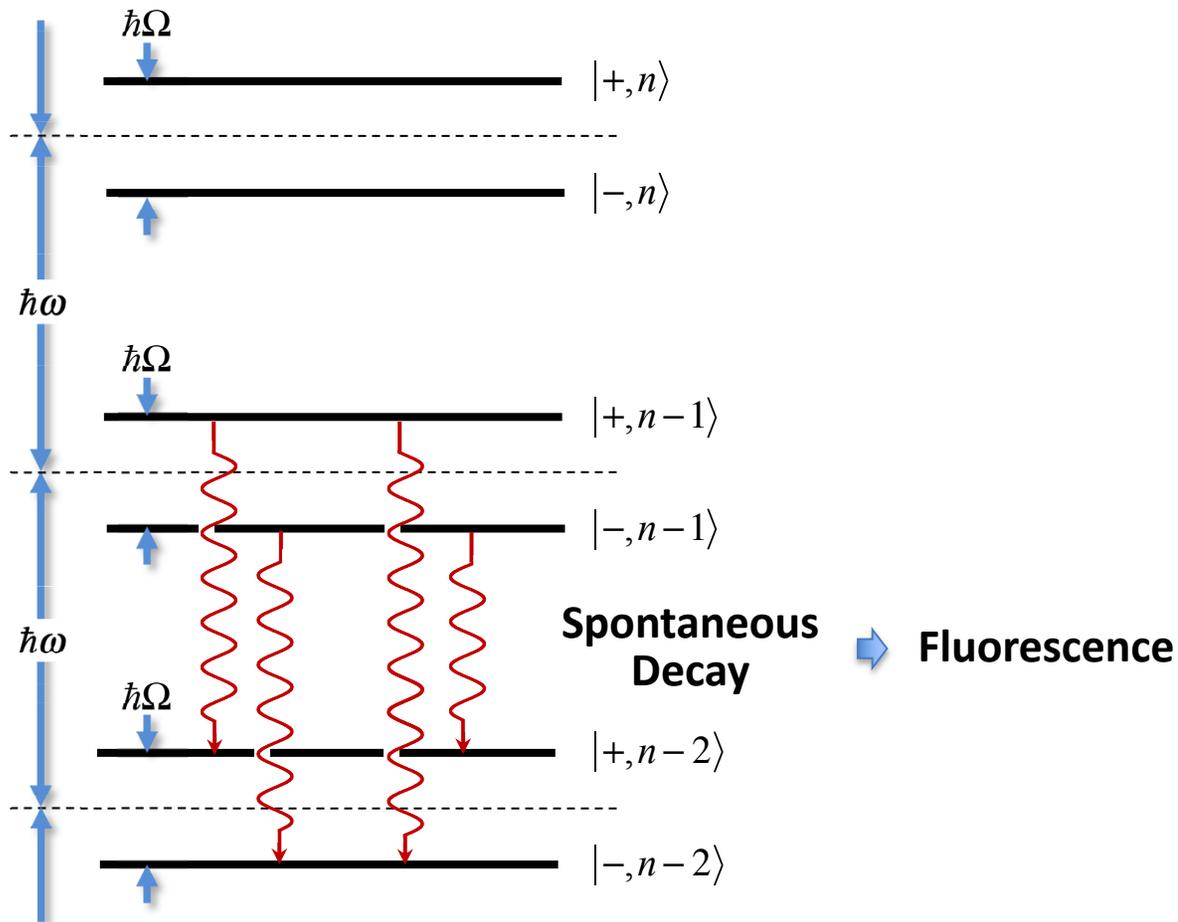
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