

The Nobel Prize in Physics 1997

"for development of methods to cool and trap atoms with laser light"



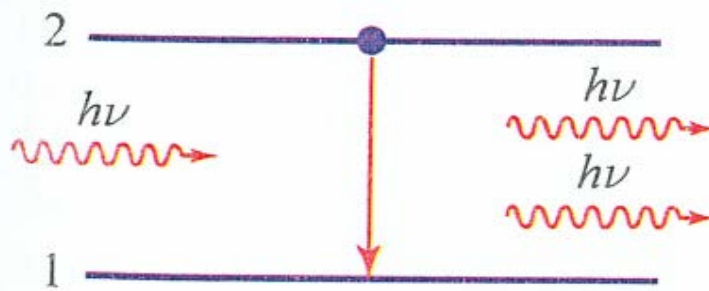
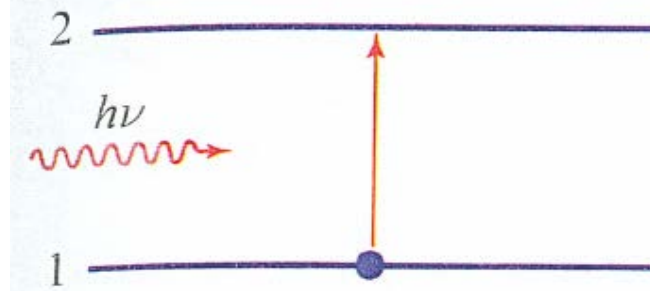
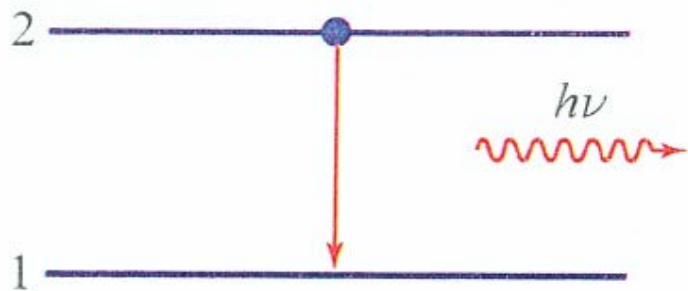
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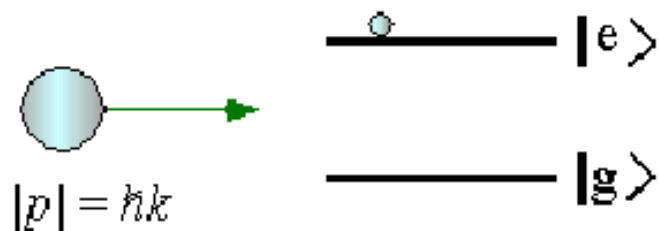
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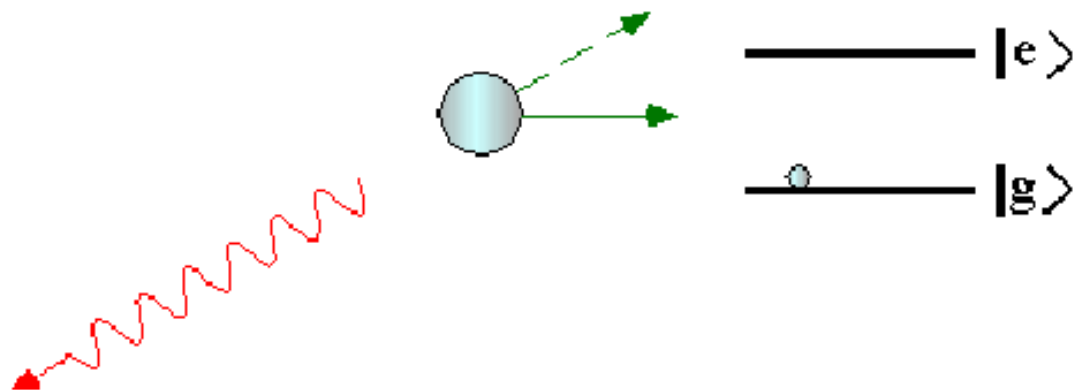


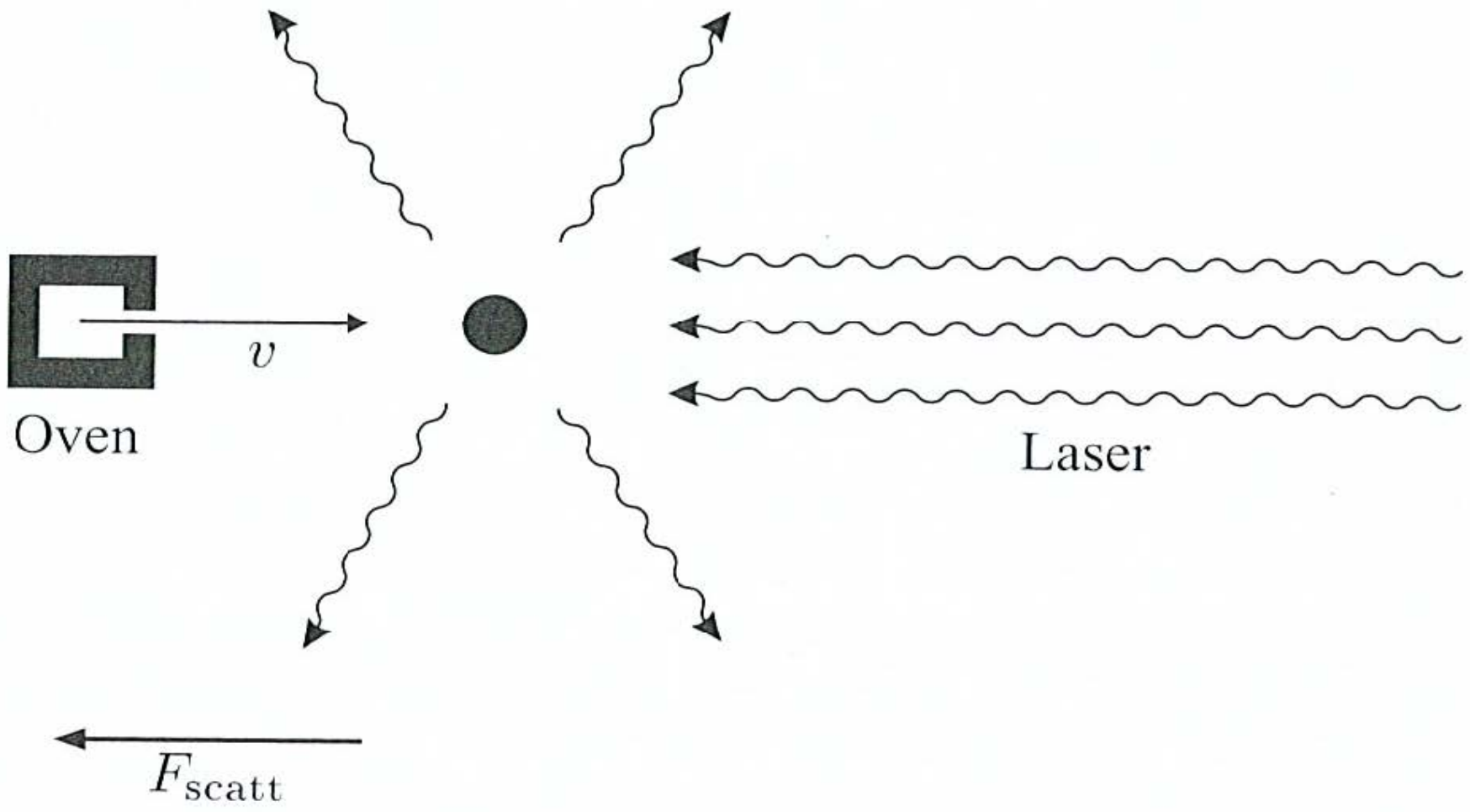
$$\vec{F}_{scatt} = \hbar \vec{k} \Gamma \rho_2$$

$$= \hbar \vec{k} \frac{\Gamma}{2} \frac{I / I_{sat}}{1 + I / I_{sat} + 4\delta^2 / \Gamma^2}$$

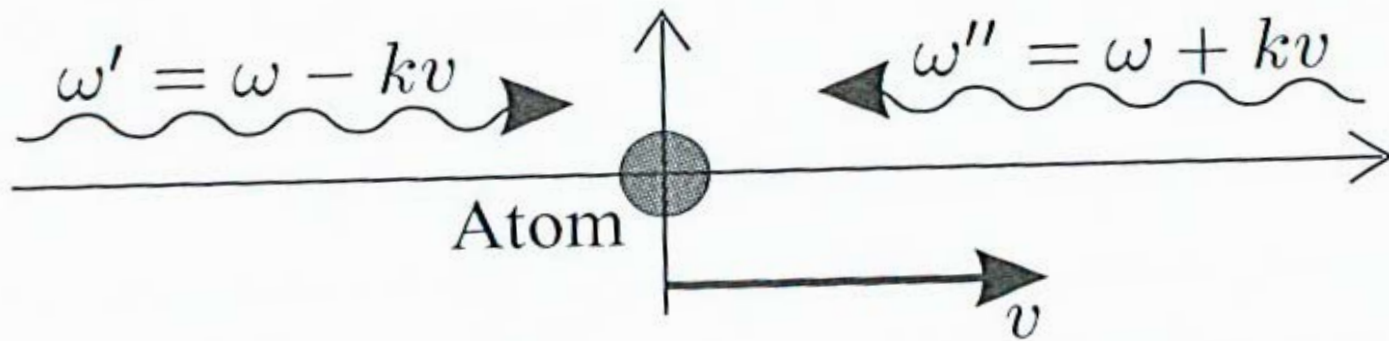


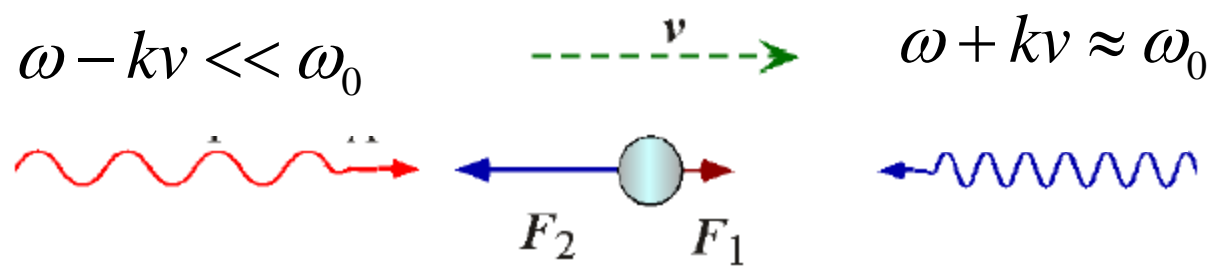
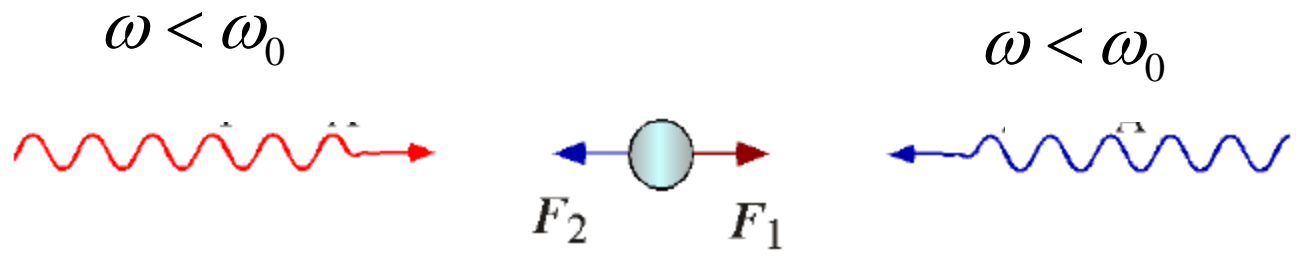
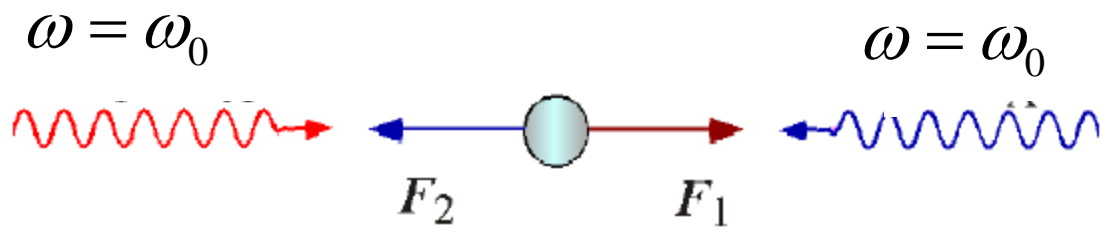
$$a_{\max} = \frac{h}{\lambda M 2\tau}$$



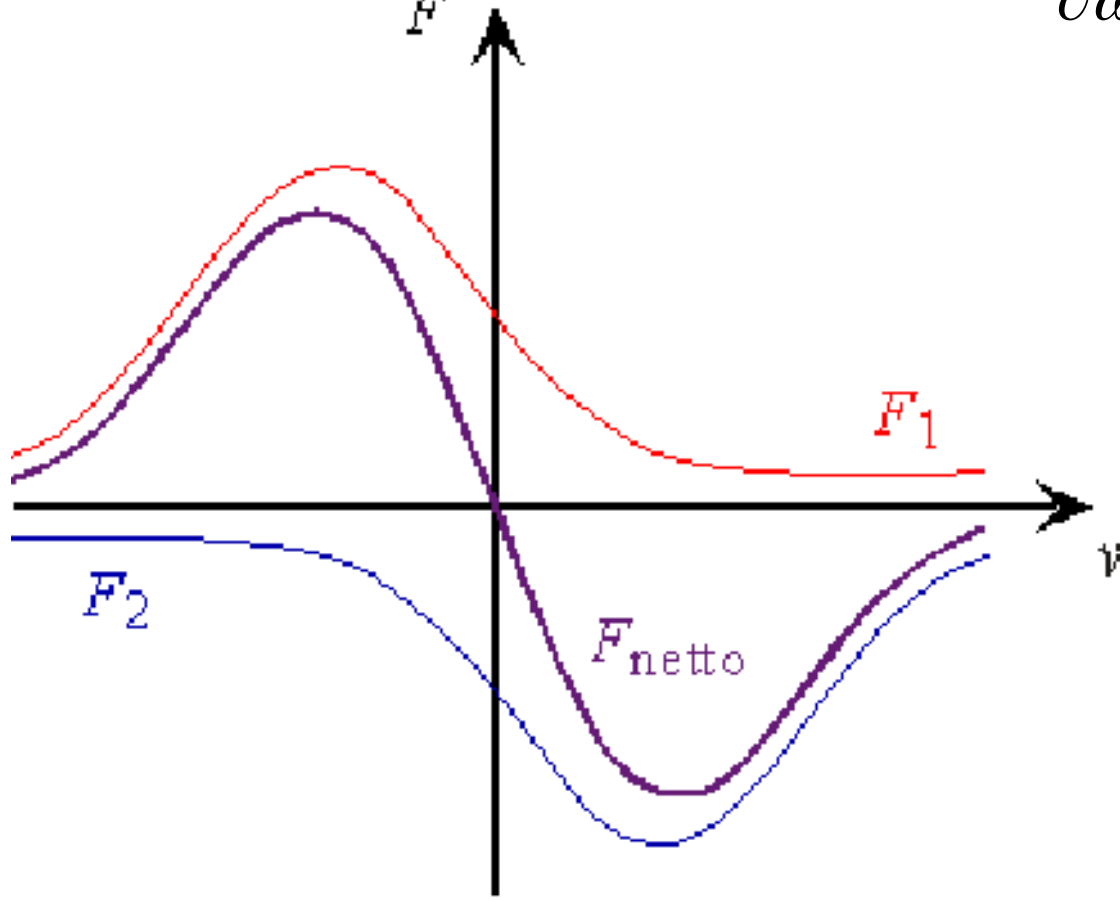


Doppler effect

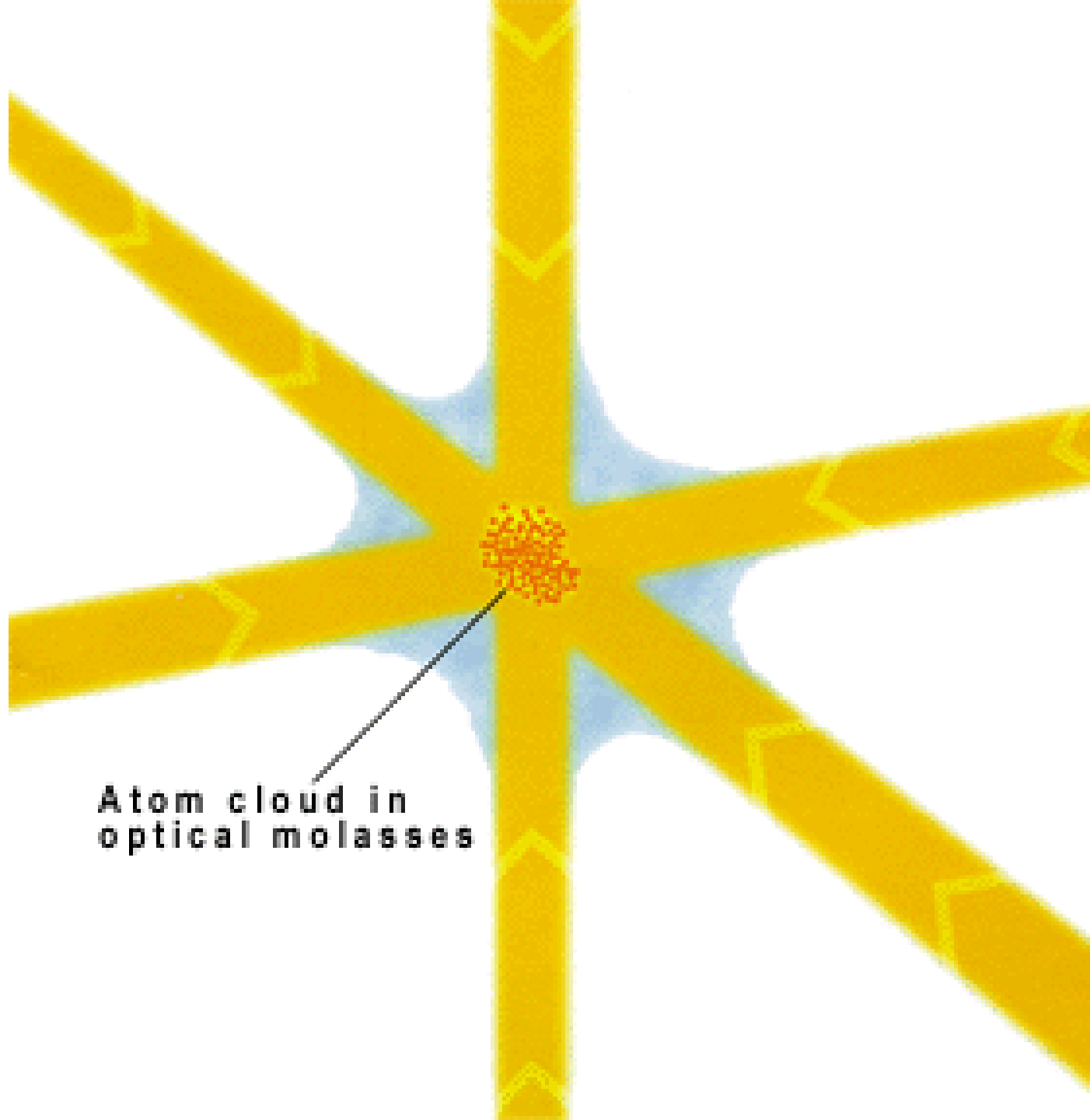




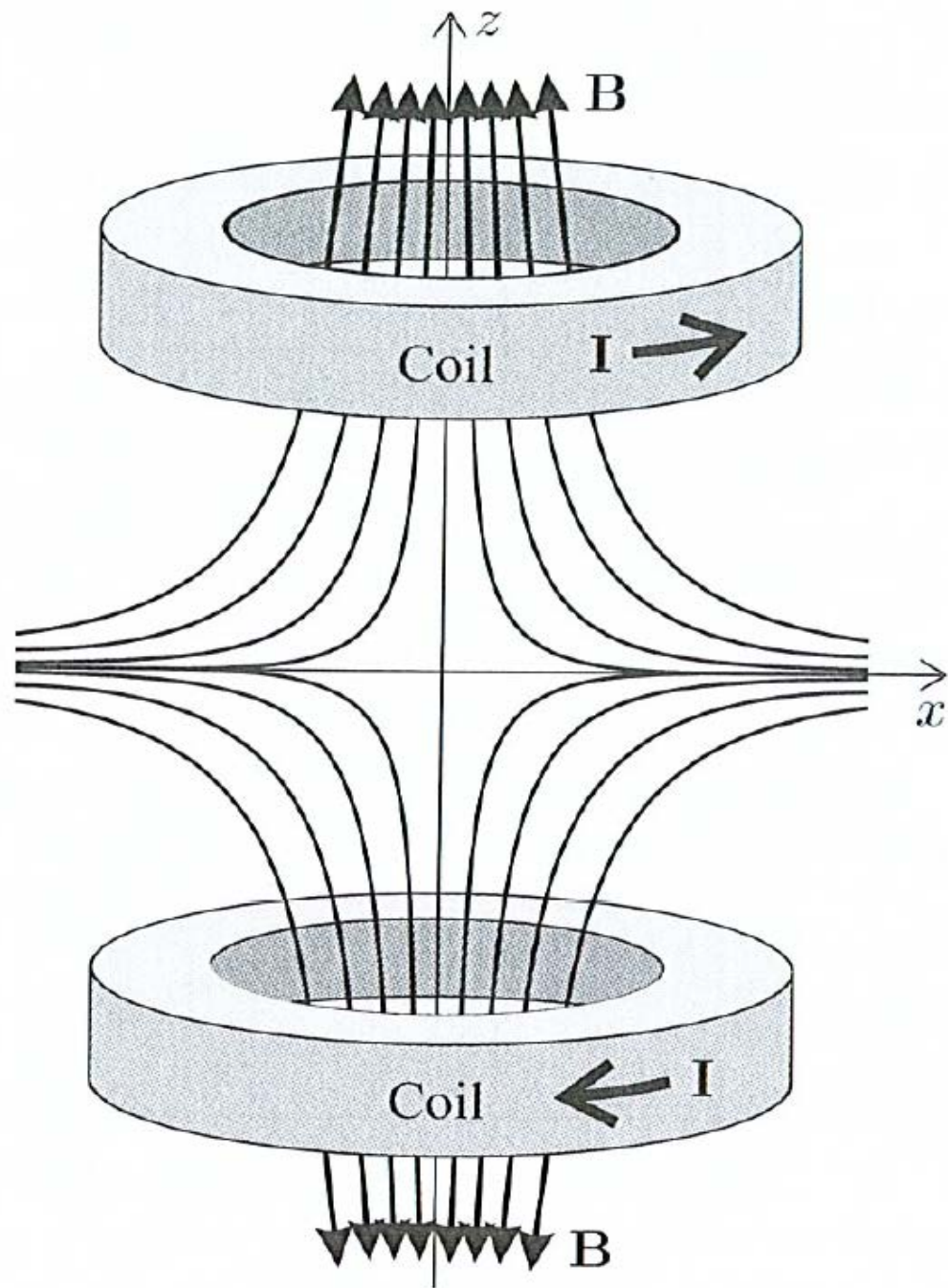
$$F_{molasses} = F_{scatt}(\omega - \omega_0 - kv) - F_{scatt}(\omega - \omega_0 + kv) \cong -2 \frac{\partial F_{scatt}}{\partial \omega} kv \cong -\alpha v$$



$$\alpha = 2k \frac{\partial F_{scatt}}{\partial \omega} = 4\hbar k^2 \frac{I}{I_{sat}} \frac{-2\delta / \Gamma}{\left[1 + 4\delta^2 / \Gamma^2\right]^2}$$

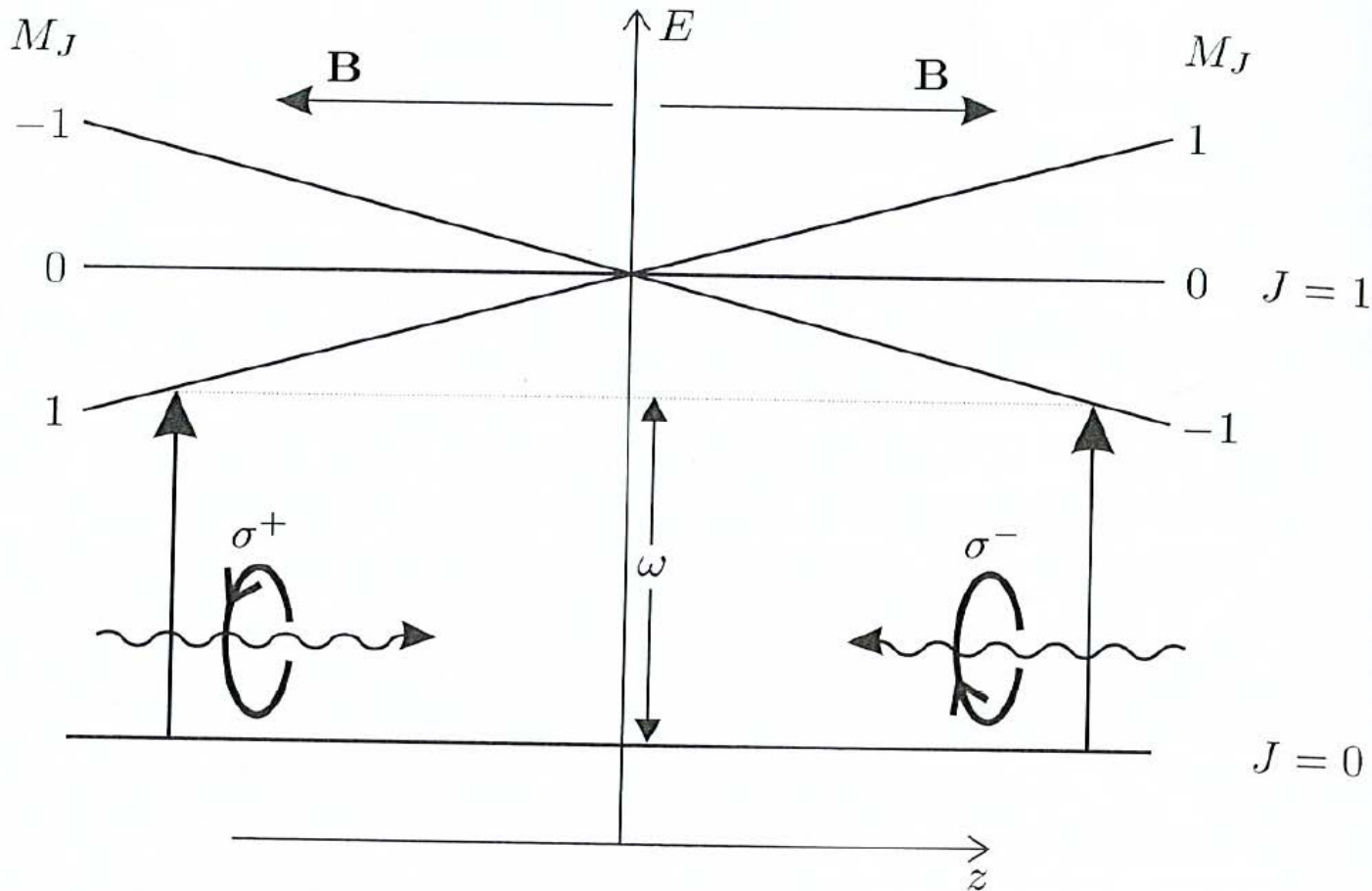


Atom cloud in
optical molasses



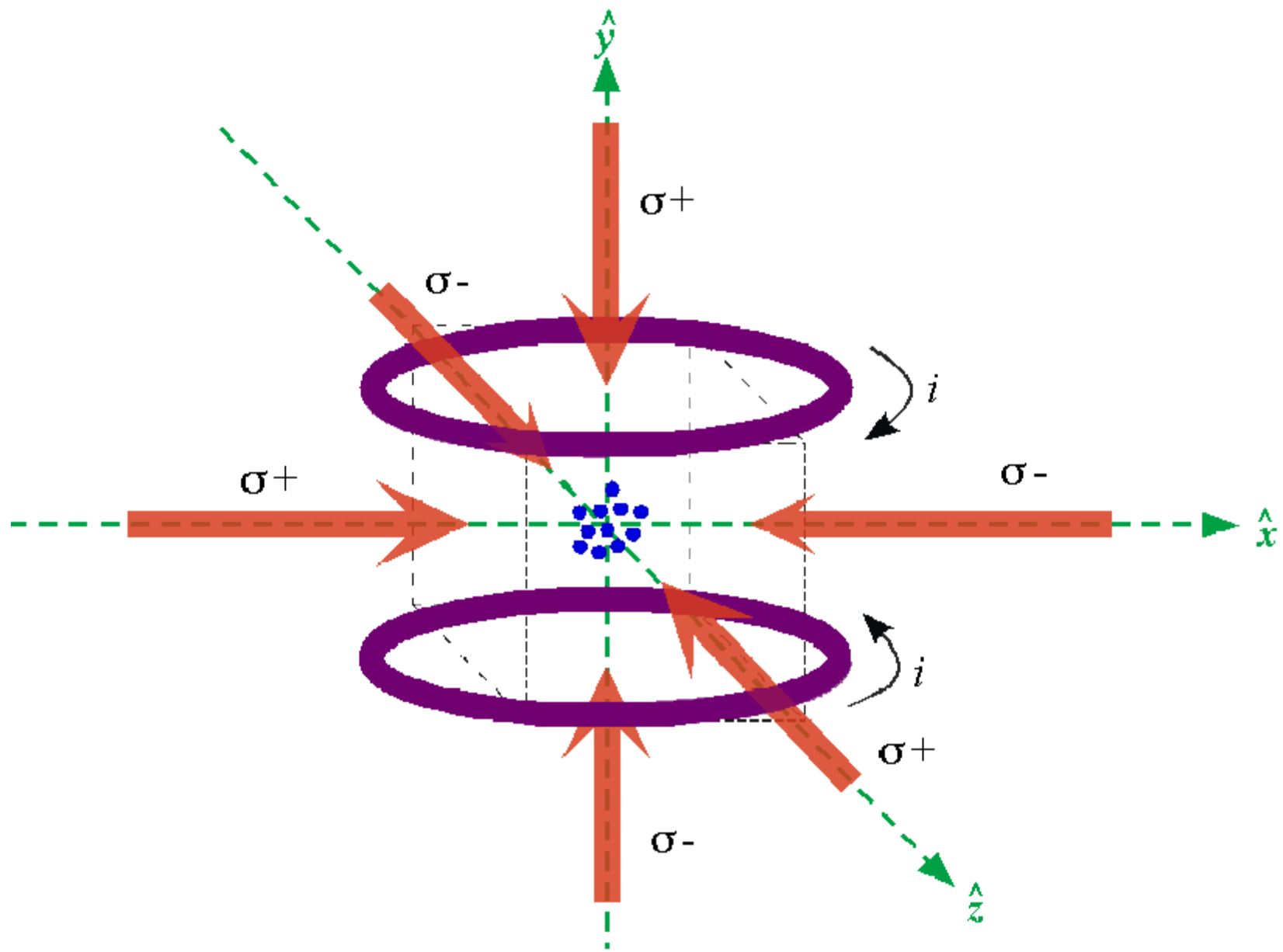
MOT

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$$F_{MOT} = F_{scatt}^{\sigma^+}(\omega - kv - (\omega_0 + \beta z)) - F_{scatt}^{\sigma^-}(\omega + kv - (\omega_0 - \beta z))$$

$$\cong -2(kv + \beta z) \frac{\partial F_{scatt}}{\partial \omega} \cong -\alpha v - \frac{\alpha \beta}{k} z$$



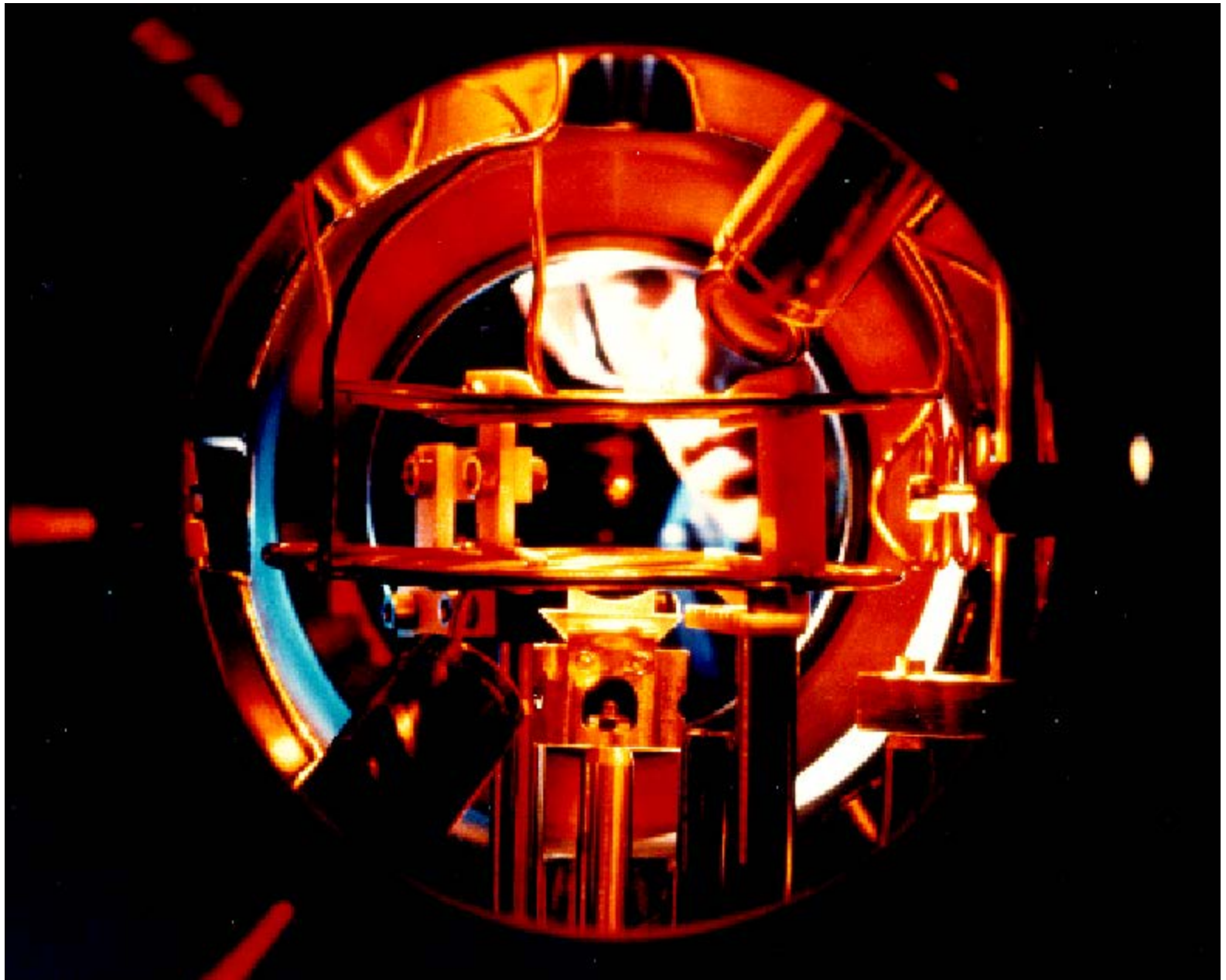


Table 9.1 Properties of some elements used in laser cooling experiments.

Element	Atomic mass number	Wavelength of resonance (nm)	Lifetime of the excited state (ns)	Doppler temp. (μK)
H	1	121.6	1.6	2400
Li	7	671	27	140
Na	23	589	16	240
K	39	767	26	150
Rb	85, 87	780	27	140
Cs	133	852	31	123