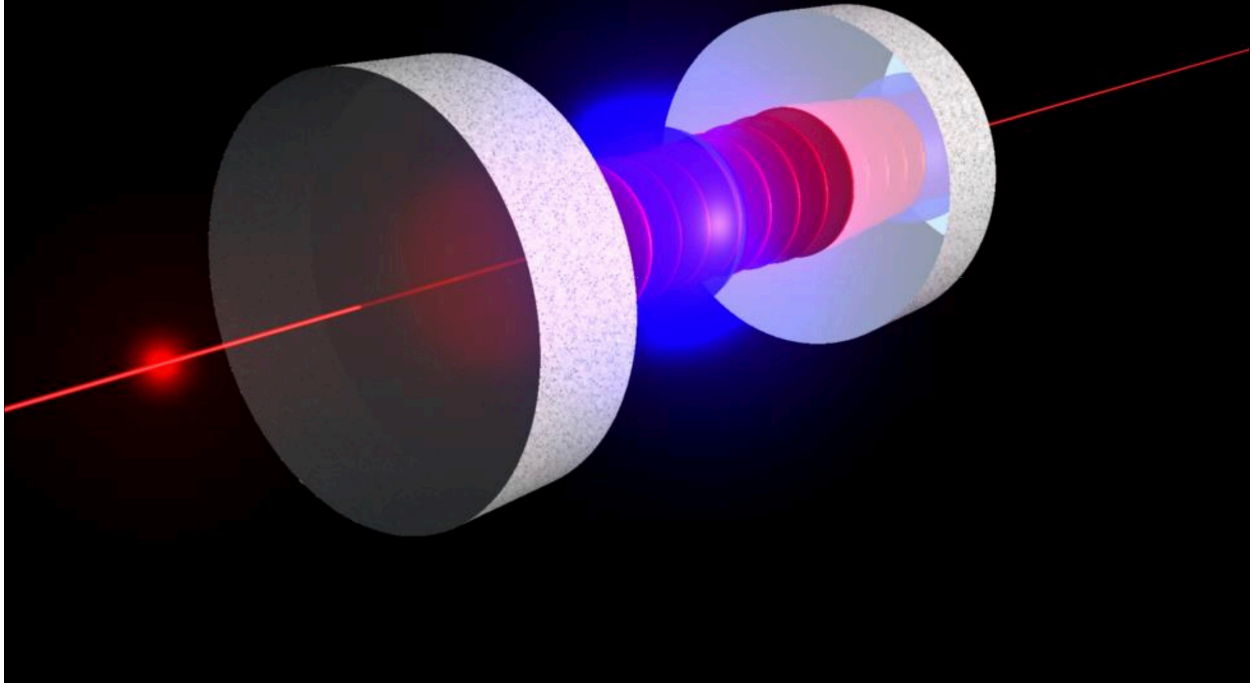


Bose-Einstein condensation
meets
cavity QED

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Quantum Gas in optical cavity



- Q:
- what do you associate?
 - type of physics?
 - degrees of freedom?
 - types of excitations?
 - character of interaction?
 - energy scales?
 - role of Bose-Einstein condensation?
 - different regimes?

Overview:

1. Single atom in Cavity
2. Coupled BEC - Cavity system
3. Selforganisation and the Dicke transition
4. Recent experiments
 - Supersolids
 - Dissipation induced instability

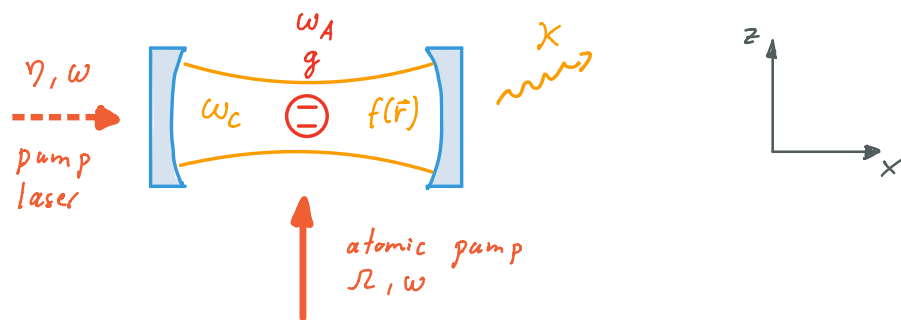
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1. Single Atom in a Cavity

$$H = H_{JC} + H_{mech} + H_{pump}$$

1.1 A two-level atom in a cavity



Cavity: - a^+ :

- ω_c :

- $f(\vec{r})$:

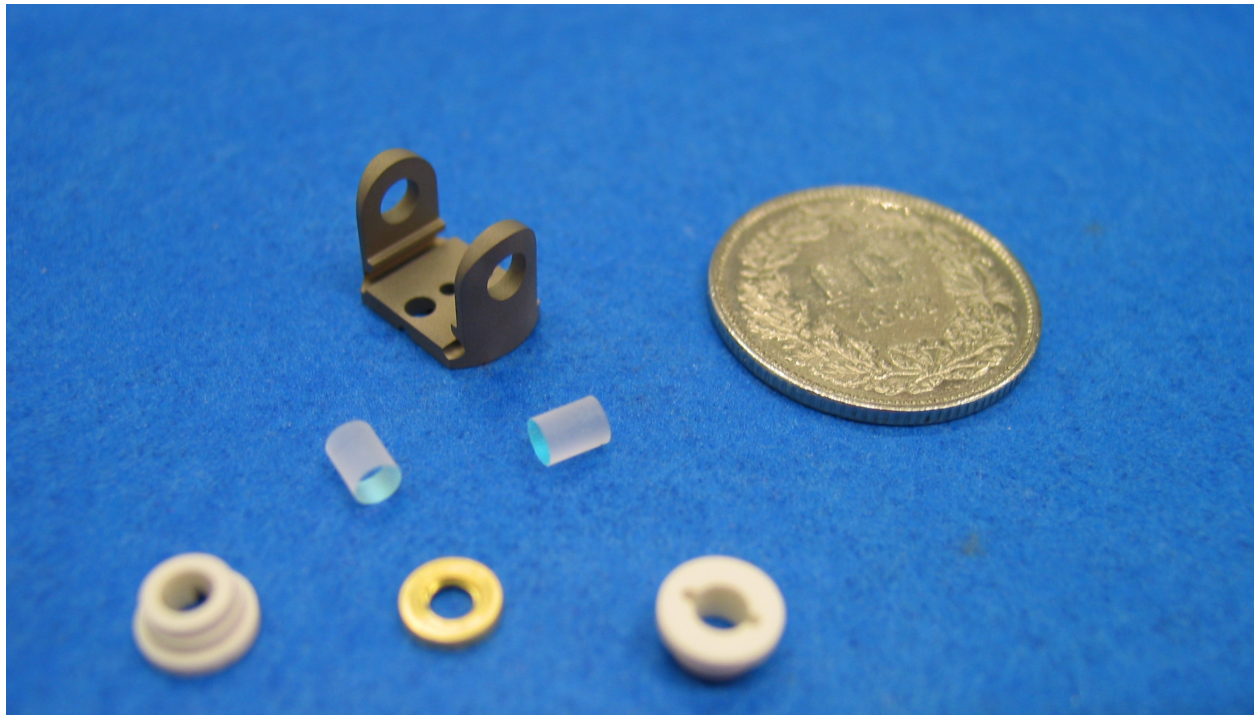
$$- g = d \sqrt{\frac{\hbar \omega_c}{2 \epsilon_0 V}}$$

$$V = \int d^3 \vec{r} |f(\vec{r})|^2$$

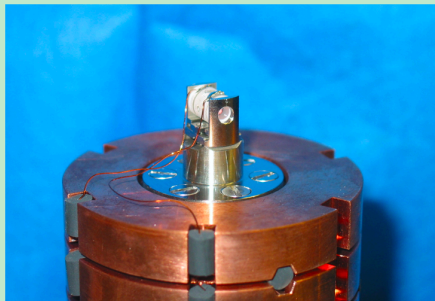
- κ :

d : dipole along
cavity mode
polarisation

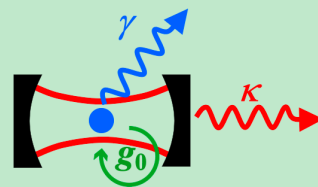
effective cavity
mode volume



High-Finesse Optical Cavity



Length: $L=178\ \mu\text{m}$
 Mode waist: $w=26\ \mu\text{m}$
 Finesse: $F=300.000$



$$g_0 = 2\pi \cdot 10.4\ \text{MHz}$$

$$\gamma = 2\pi \cdot 3.0\ \text{MHz}$$

$$\kappa = 2\pi \cdot 1.4\ \text{MHz}$$

Atom:

$|e\rangle$

γ :

$|g\rangle$

$$\sigma^+ = |e\rangle\langle g|$$

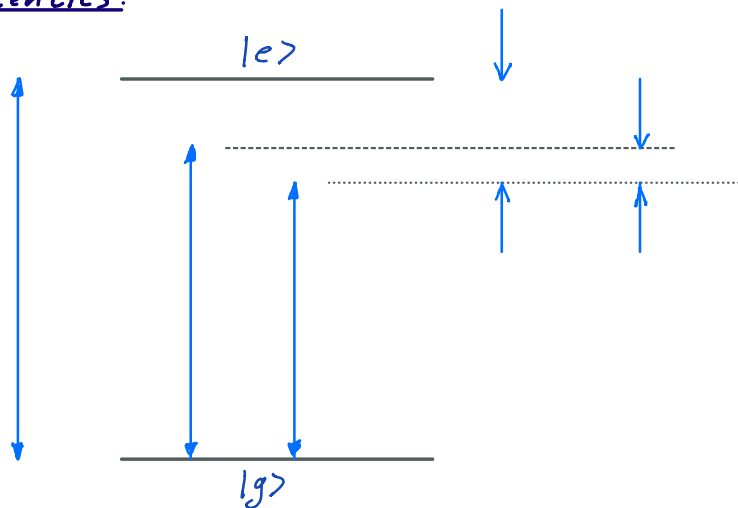
$$\omega_R = \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m}$$

$$\sigma_z = \frac{1}{2}(|e\rangle\langle e| - |g\rangle\langle g|)$$

$$\sigma^+ = \sigma_x + i\sigma_y$$

$$k = \frac{\omega}{c}$$

Frequencies:



ω_A : atomic transition frequency

ω_c : cavity resonance frequency (closest to pump)

ω : pump laser frequency

detunings: $\Delta_A = \omega - \omega_A$

$$\Delta_c = \omega - \omega_c$$

Jaynes - Cummings Hamiltonian

$$\frac{H_{JC}}{\hbar} = -\Delta_C a^\dagger a - \Delta_A(\vec{r}) \sigma^+ \sigma^- + i g (\sigma^+ a f(\vec{r}) - f^*(\vec{r}) a^\dagger \sigma^-)$$

- - $\Delta_A(\vec{r}) = \Delta_A - \Delta_S(\vec{r})$
 - ↑
differential AC-Starkshift by auxiliary field, e.g. optical trap
- dipolar approximation

rotating wave approximation

External degrees of freedom

$$H_{\text{mech}} = \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} + V_{\text{ce}}(\vec{r})$$

Pump:

$$\frac{H_{\text{pump}}}{\hbar} = \underbrace{i\eta(a^\dagger - a)} + \underbrace{i\Omega h(\vec{r})(\sigma^+ - \sigma^-)}$$

Dissipation:

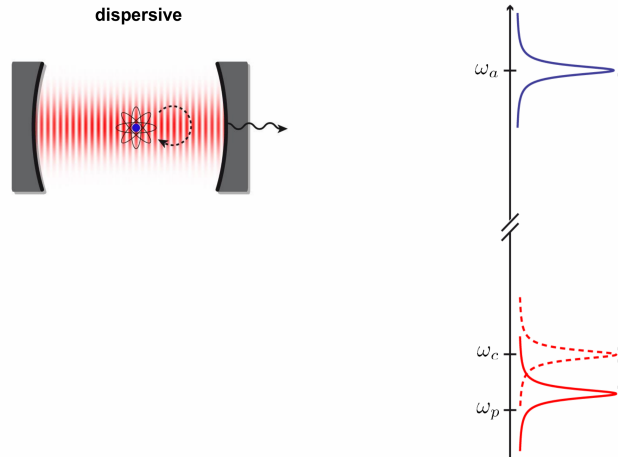
$$\dot{\rho} = -\frac{i}{\hbar} [\mathcal{H}, \rho] + \mathcal{L}\rho$$

Heisenberg-Liouville eqn.

ρ : density operator

\mathcal{L} : Liouville operator in Born-Markov approx.

1.2 Dispersive Regime



Equations of motion:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\sigma}^- &= i \Delta_A \sigma^- - g f(\vec{r})/2 \sigma_z a - \Omega h(\vec{r})/2 \sigma_z - \gamma \sigma^- \\ \dot{a} &= i \Delta_c a - g f(\vec{r}) \sigma^- - \chi a + \eta\end{aligned}$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{atomic} \\ \text{polarization} \\ \text{cavity} \\ \text{field} \end{array} \right\}$

- low saturation and large detuning

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \sigma_z = \\ \frac{1}{2}(|e\rangle\langle e| - |g\rangle\langle g|) \end{array} \right|$$

- atoms driven from transverse direction ($\Omega \neq 0$)
determine steady state:

$$\dot{\sigma}^- = i \Delta_A \sigma^- - g f(\vec{r})/2 \sigma_z a - \Omega h(\vec{r})/2 \sigma_z - \gamma \sigma^-$$

$$\rightarrow \sigma^- = \frac{g f(\vec{r}) a + \Omega h(\vec{r})}{-i \Delta_A + \gamma} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{later we will} \\ \text{neglect } \gamma \end{array} \right.$$

"atomic polarization is slaved to the cavity mode"

• cavity field

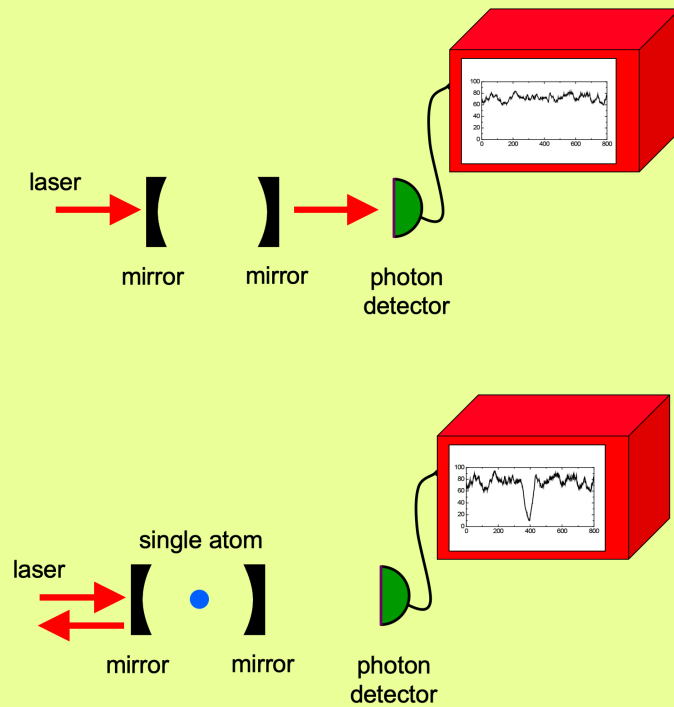
$$\dot{a} = i \Delta_c a - \frac{g^2 f^2(\vec{r}) a + \overbrace{g \Omega f(\vec{r}) h(\vec{r})}}{-i \Delta_A + \gamma} - \kappa a + \eta$$

Effective Hamiltonian for dispersive coupling ($\kappa=0$)

• shares same equations of motion

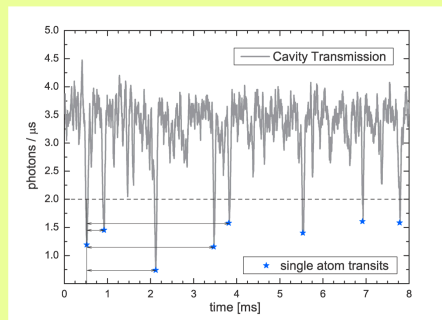
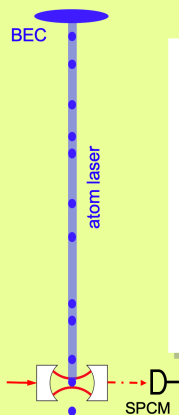
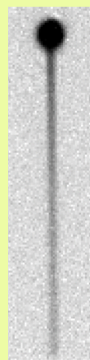
$$\frac{H_{\text{eff}}}{\hbar} = - (\Delta_c - U_0 |f(\vec{r})|^2) a^\dagger a + \eta_{\text{eff}} h(\vec{r}) (f^*(\vec{r}) a^\dagger + f(\vec{r}) a)$$

Atom Counter



H. Mabuchi et al., Opt. Lett. **21**, 1393 (1996)

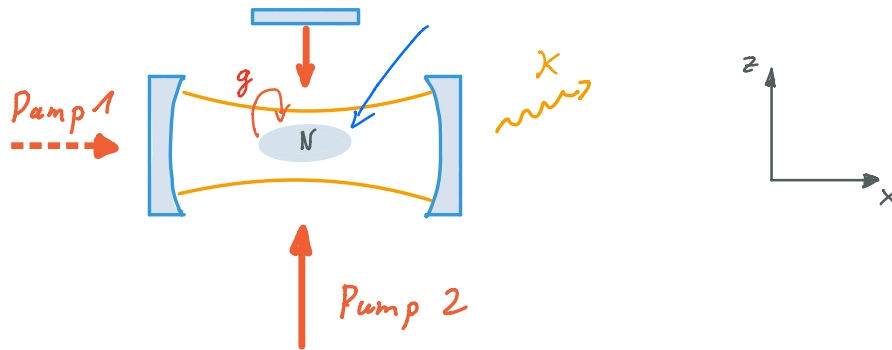
Single Atom Transits



$$g^{(2)}(\tau) = P_c(t + \tau | t) = \frac{\langle I(t)I(t + \tau) \rangle}{\langle I \rangle^2}$$

A. Öttl, S. Ritter, M. Köhl, and T. Esslinger, Phys. Rev. Lett. **95**, 090404 (2005).

2.1 Coupled BEC - cavity system



$$H = H_A + H_C + H_{AC}$$

Atoms:

- large detuning \rightarrow
- atoms described by matter-wave field operator

$$H_A = \int d\vec{r} \Psi^\dagger(\vec{r}) \left[\mathcal{H}^{(1)} + \underbrace{\frac{u}{2} \Psi^\dagger(\vec{r}) \Psi(\vec{r})}_{\text{interaction}} \right] \Psi(\vec{r})$$

$$\Psi^\dagger(\vec{r}) = \sum_{\vec{k}} \underbrace{\psi_{\vec{k}}^\dagger(\vec{r})}_{\text{complete orthonormal basis of single-particle wave function}} c_{\vec{k}}^\dagger$$

complete orthonormal
basis of single-particle
wave function

a_s : s-wave scattering
length

Cavity:

- single mode
 - driven by coherent field)
- $$H_c = -\hbar \Delta_c a^\dagger a + i \hbar \eta (a^\dagger - a)$$

rotating frame:
 ω

$$\Delta_c = \omega - \omega_c$$

Interaction:

$$H_{Ac} = \int d^3r \, \Psi(\vec{r}) \left[\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_I + \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{II} \right] \bar{\Psi}(\vec{r})$$

I: light shift

maximum atomic light shift
for a single intracavity photon

II: scattering:

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maximum
scattering for
single atom

Ω : Rabi frequency
of transverse
pump laser

Dissipation:

Heisenberg - Langevin equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} a = -i [a, H] - \kappa a + \xi$$

a : operator,
not expectation
value

ξ : Gaussian noise operator maintains
commutation relation for photon
operators in presence of cavity decay

$$T=0: \langle \xi(t) \xi^\dagger(t') \rangle = 2 \delta(t-t')$$

(other dissipation channels via
atomic cloud)

Heisenberg:

$$|\psi^H\rangle = e^{iHt} |\psi(t)\rangle$$

Mean field description

- cavity field mediates global coupling
→ mean field approach suitable

$\hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}, t)$ is
in Heisenberg
representation

α : coherent cavity field $\alpha = \langle a \rangle$

N_c : number of condensate atoms

$\varphi(\vec{r})$: condensate wave function
(normalized to 1)

- zeroth order in fluctuations

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \varphi(\vec{r}, t) = \left[-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m} + V_0(\vec{r}) + N_c u |\varphi(\vec{r}, t)|^2 \right. \\ + \\ \left. + \right] \varphi(\vec{r}, t)$$

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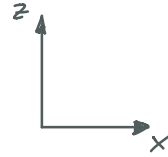
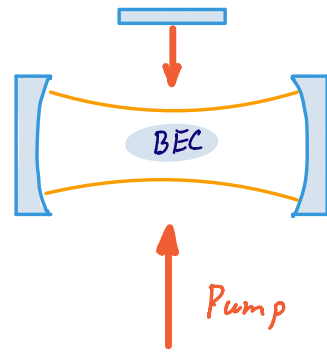
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$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \alpha(t) = \left[-\Delta_c + \overbrace{N_c U_0 \langle \cos^2(kz) \rangle} - iK \right] \alpha(t) \\
(+ i\eta) + N_c \eta_{\text{eff}} \langle \cos(kx) \cos(kz) \rangle$$

using $\langle f(\vec{r}) \rangle = \int d^3r f(\vec{r}) |\Psi(\vec{r}, t)|^2$

- inclusion of fluctuations to leading order:

2.2 Self-organisation of Bose-Einstein condensate and the Dicke phase transition

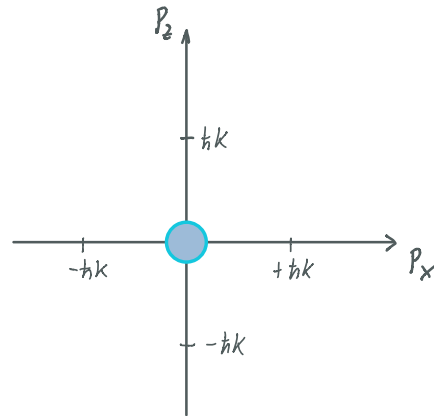


neglect lattice
potential due
to pump beam

$$H = H_C + H_A + H_{AC} \quad \text{with } \eta = 0$$

Two-mode expansion:

In momentum space:



Insert $\Psi = \Psi_0 \hat{C}_0 + \Psi_1 \hat{C}_1$ into
many-body Hamiltonian, we obtain

- neglect atomic
collisions

up to a constant term

$$\frac{\hat{H}}{\hbar} = \underbrace{\omega_0 \hat{J}_z + \omega a^\dagger a + \frac{2}{\sqrt{N}} (a^\dagger + a)(\hat{J}_+ + \hat{J}_-)}_{\text{I}} + \underbrace{U_0 M c_i^\dagger c_i a^\dagger a}_{\text{II}}$$

I:

- describes coupling between N two-level systems
with transition frequency $\omega_0 =$ and
a bosonic field mode with frequency $\omega = -\Delta_c + NU_0/2$
- bosonic mode operators:
- total atom number :

- ladder operator
(creation of collective excitation)

collective !
spin .

- collective coupling strength:

- Hamiltonian is invariant under parity transformation:

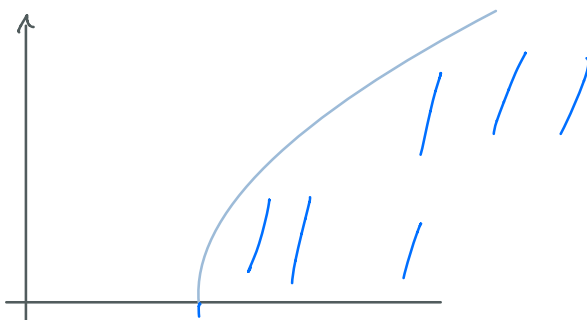
Thermodynamic properties of Dicke model: Dicke phase transition (Hepp-Lieb)

1973: Hepp + Lieb }
Wang + Hroe } RWA

2007: Carmichael n RWA + open system

Dicke model exhibits a 2nd order phase transition
in the thermodynamic limit from a normal
to a phase.

Phase diagram:



| $RWA : \sqrt{\omega_0 \omega'}$

normal phase :

super-radiant phase :

| check polar density

