

**Theory Q1**  
**Optical trap of neutral atoms (12 points),**  
**Solution and Marking Scheme**

<b>1.1</b> <b>0.75pt</b>	<p>At the instance when the separation between charge centers is <math>\vec{x}</math>, the external field <math>\vec{E}</math> exerts on them opposite forces <math>\vec{F} = \pm e\vec{E}</math>.</p> <p>After a time interval <math>dt</math>, the separation is changed to <math>\vec{x} + d\vec{x}</math>, work done by the external field on the charges is thus <math>dW = \vec{F}d\vec{x} = \vec{F} = e d\vec{x} \cdot \vec{E} = d\vec{p} \cdot \vec{E}</math></p> <p>The power received by the atomic dipole</p> $P_{abs} = \frac{dW}{dt} = \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} \cdot \vec{E} = \dot{\vec{p}} \cdot \vec{E}$	<b>0.15</b>  <b>0.3</b>  <b>0.3</b>
<b>1.2</b> <b>0.75pt</b>	<p>Total work can be obtained by integration</p> $W = \int_0^{\vec{E}_0} d\vec{p} \cdot \vec{E} = \int_0^{\vec{E}_0} \alpha d\vec{E} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{2} \alpha \vec{E}_0^2 = \frac{1}{2} \vec{p}_0 \vec{E}_0$ <p>Potential energy of the dipole is</p> $U_{dip} = -W = -\frac{1}{2} \vec{p}_0 \vec{E}_0$ <p><i>If the sign of <math>U_{dip}</math> is incorrect or the factor 1/2 is missing, students get 0pt.</i></p>	<b>0.5</b>    <b>0.25</b>
<b>2.1</b> <b>1.0pt</b>	<p>The time average of any time dependent function is denoted by <math>\langle f(t) \rangle = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi/\omega} f(t) dt</math></p> $U_{dip}(\vec{r}) = -\frac{1}{4} \alpha(\omega) \cos \varphi E_0^2(\vec{r}) \quad (1)$ $U_{dip}(\vec{r}) = -\frac{\alpha(\omega) \cos \varphi I(\vec{r})}{2\epsilon_0 c} \quad (2)$ <p><i>If student gets directly to eq. (2) – full mark (1.0pt)</i>  <i>If the answer is still correct but expressed in any quantity other than those requested – 0.5 pt.</i></p>	<b>0.5</b>   <b>0.5</b>
<b>3.1</b> <b>1.0pt</b>	<p>The power absorbed by the oscillator from the driving field (and re-emitted as dipole radiation) is given by</p> $\langle P_{abs}(\vec{r}) \rangle = \langle \dot{\vec{p}} \vec{E} \rangle = -\frac{\sin \varphi \alpha(\omega) \omega}{2} E_0^2(\vec{r})$ $\langle P_{abs}(\vec{r}) \rangle = -\frac{\sin \varphi \alpha(\omega) \omega}{\epsilon_0 c} I(\vec{r}) \quad (3)$ <p>The corresponding scattering rate is <math>\Gamma_{sc}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\langle P_{abs} \rangle}{\hbar \omega} = -\frac{\alpha(\omega) \sin \varphi}{\hbar \epsilon_0 c} I(\vec{r})</math>. <span style="float: right;">(4)</span></p>	<b>0.5</b>  <b>0.25</b>  <b>0.25</b>
<b>4.1</b> <b>2.0pt</b>	<p>In one dimensional Lorentz's model, we replace <math>\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) \rightarrow E(x, t)</math>. One can find the solution of the form <math>x = x_0 \cos(\omega t + \varphi)</math> thus from the equation of motion,</p> $\ddot{x} + \gamma_\omega \dot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = -eE_0 \cos \omega t / m_e$ $\Rightarrow x_0 (\omega_0^2 - \omega^2) \cos(\omega t + \varphi) - x_0 \omega \gamma_\omega \sin(\omega t + \varphi) = -eE_0 \cos \omega t / m_e$	<b>0.25</b>

	$x_0 \left\{ \left[ (\omega_0^2 - \omega^2) \cos \varphi - \omega \gamma_\omega \sin \varphi \right] \cos \omega t - \left[ (\omega_0^2 - \omega^2) \sin \varphi + \omega \gamma_\omega \cos \varphi \right] \sin \omega t \right\} =$ $= -eE_0 \cos \omega t / m_e$ <p>Comparing coefficients before <math>\cos \omega t</math> and <math>\sin \omega t</math> on both sides, one has</p>	0.25
	$(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2) \cos \varphi - \omega \gamma_\omega \sin \varphi = -\frac{eE_0}{m_e x_0}$	0.5
	$(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2) \sin \varphi + \omega \gamma_\omega \cos \varphi = 0$	
	$x_0 = \frac{eE_0 / m_e}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \gamma_\omega^2 \omega^2}};$	0.25
	$\sin \varphi = \frac{\omega \gamma_\omega}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \gamma_\omega^2 \omega^2}} \quad (4)$	0.25
	$\cos \varphi = -\frac{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \gamma_\omega^2 \omega^2}} \quad (5)$	
	$p = -ex = -ex_0 \cos(\omega t + \varphi) = \alpha E_0 \cos(\omega t + \varphi) \quad (6)$	0.25
	$\alpha(\omega) = -\frac{e^2}{m_e \sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \gamma_\omega^2 \omega^2}} \quad (7)$	0.25
	<i>Note: students can obtain <math>\varphi</math> via any of sin, cos, tan functions: full mark (0.25 pt)</i>	

<b>5.1</b> <b>1.0pt</b>	The power radiated due to the damping force, thus	
	$-m_e \gamma_\omega v \cdot v = -\frac{1}{6\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2 a^2}{c^3}$	0.25
	$\Rightarrow -m_e \gamma_\omega (\omega r)^2 = -\frac{1}{6\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2 (\omega^2 r)^2}{c^3},$	0.25
	$\gamma_\omega = \frac{1}{6\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2 \omega^2}{m_e c^3}.$	0.5

<b>6.1</b> <b>0.5pt</b>	<p>Substituting <math>\frac{e^2}{m_e} = 6\pi\epsilon_0 c^3 \gamma_\omega / \omega^2</math> the on-resonance damping rate <math>\gamma \equiv \gamma_{\omega_0} = (\omega_0 / \omega)^2 \gamma_\omega</math>.</p> <p>Using Eq. (1), (4), (5) and (6) one has</p>	
	$\frac{U_{dip}(\vec{r})}{\hbar \Gamma_{sc}(\vec{r})} = \frac{-\frac{1}{2\epsilon_0 c} \alpha(\omega) \cos \varphi}{-\frac{\hbar \alpha(\omega) \sin \varphi}{\hbar \epsilon_0 c}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\tan \varphi} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}{(\omega^3 / \omega_0^2) \gamma},$	0.5

<b>7.1</b> <b>0.5pt</b>	From (1), (5) and (6) one has	
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	$U_{depth} =  U_0  = \left  \frac{\alpha(\omega)\cos(\varphi)I(0,0)}{2\varepsilon_0c} \right  = \left  \frac{\alpha(\omega)\cos(\varphi)}{2\varepsilon_0c} \frac{2P}{\pi D_0^2} \right  = \left  6c^2 \frac{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)\gamma / \omega_0^2}{\left[ (\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \gamma^2 \frac{\omega^6}{\omega_0^4} \right]} \frac{P}{D_0^2} \right $	<b>0.5</b>
<b>7.2</b> <b>1.0pt</b>	<p>Trap depth when <math>P = 4mW</math>, laser wavelength <math>\lambda = 985nm</math>, and <math>D_0 = 6\mu m</math>. For sodium <math>\lambda_0 = 589nm</math>.</p> <p>One has: <math>\omega = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda}</math>; <math>\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda_0}</math>;</p> <p>And <math>\gamma = \frac{1}{6\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{e^2\omega_0^2}{m_e c^3} = \frac{2\pi e^2}{3\varepsilon_0 m_e c \lambda_0^2} = 6.4 \times 10^7 s^{-1}</math></p> <p><math>U_{depth} = f k_B T_0</math> (factors <math>f = 3/2, 1/2, 1</math> are all accepted)</p> <p><math>\Rightarrow f \cdot T_0 = 4.13 \mu K</math></p>	<b>0.5</b> <b>0.25</b> <b>0.25</b>
<b>8.1</b> <b>0.5pt</b>	<p>Using linear expansion, we have <math>\Omega_\rho = \sqrt{\frac{4k_B f T_0}{m D_0^2}}</math></p> <p>and <math>\Omega_z = \sqrt{\frac{2k_B f T_0}{m z_R^2}}</math></p>	<b>0.25</b> <b>0.25</b>
<b>9.1</b> <b>0.5pt</b>	<p>Mean potential energy <math>U(z_0) = const + \frac{1}{2} m \Omega_z^2 z_0^2</math>.</p> <p>To estimate the particle momentum, we assume <math>p \sim \Delta p, \Delta z \sim z_0</math>.</p> <p>The uncertainty principle is written now <math>p \sim \frac{\hbar}{z_0}</math>.</p> <p>Kinetic energy <math>K = \frac{p^2}{2m} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m z_0^2}</math>.</p> <p>Total energy of the particle <math>E = \frac{1}{2} m \Omega_z^2 z_0^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m z_0^2} + const</math></p> <p>Minimal energy corresponds to the energy balance <math>\frac{1}{2} m \Omega_z^2 z_0^2 = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m z_0^2} \Rightarrow z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m \Omega_z}}</math>.</p> <p><i>If the student followed a correct analysis any obtained correct answer upto some multiplication factor: full mark</i></p> <p><i>If the student obtained correct answer using dimensional analysis: only 0.1 pt is granted</i></p>	<b>0.2</b> <b>0.1</b> <b>0.1</b> <b>0.1</b>
<b>9.2</b> <b>0.25pt</b>	<p>Insert the expression of the cloud size <math>z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m \Omega_z}}</math> to the energy expression</p> <p><math>E_{min} = \frac{1}{2} m \Omega_z^2 z_0^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m z_0^2} + const</math> one obtains <math>E_{min} = \hbar \Omega_z + const</math>.</p> <p><i>If the student obtained the answer <math>E_{min} = \frac{\hbar \Omega_z}{2}</math> by using <math>E_n = \hbar \Omega_z \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right)</math>: full mark</i></p>	<b>0.25</b>
<b>9.3</b>	From the uncertainty principle, the particle velocity therefore is estimated to be	<b>0.25</b>

<p><b>0.25pt</b></p>	$mv_z = \frac{\hbar}{z_0} = \sqrt{m\hbar\Omega_z} \Rightarrow v_z = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar\Omega_z}{m}}.$ <p>Alternative estimation is constructed from kinetic energy: <math>\frac{1}{2}mv_z^2 = K = \frac{1}{2}\hbar\Omega_z \Rightarrow v_z = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar\Omega_z}{m}}</math></p>	
<p><b>10.1</b> <b>0.5pt</b></p>	<p>For the three dimensional trap, one has: <math>z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m\Omega_z}}</math>.</p> <p>Similarly for <math>x, y</math> coordinates <math>x_0 = y_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m\Omega_\rho}}</math> and thus <math>\rho_0 = \sqrt{x_0^2 + y_0^2} = \sqrt{\frac{2\hbar}{m\Omega_\rho}}</math>.</p> <p>The condensate aspect ratio: <math>\frac{z_0}{\rho_0} = \sqrt{\frac{\Omega_\rho}{2\Omega_z}}</math>.</p> <p><i>Student may use either <math>x_0, y_0</math> or <math>\rho_0</math> in estimating the radial size of the cloud. Correct answers upto multiplication factor: full mark</i></p>	<p><b>0.2</b></p> <p><b>0.2</b></p> <p><b>0.1</b></p>
<p><b>10.2</b> <b>0.5pt</b></p>	$v_z = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar\Omega_z}{m}},$ $v_x = v_y = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar\Omega_\rho}{m}}, \Rightarrow v_\rho = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2} \sim \sqrt{\frac{2\hbar\Omega_\rho}{m}},$ $\frac{v_\rho}{v_z} \sim \sqrt{\frac{2\Omega_\rho}{\Omega_z}}.$ <p><i>Student may use either <math>v_x, v_y</math> or <math>v_\rho</math> in estimating expansion velocity in the radial direction. Correct answers upto some multiplication factor: full mark</i></p>	<p><b>0.25</b></p> <p><b>0.25</b></p>
<p><b>10.3</b> <b>0.5pt</b></p>	<p>After the time <math>t</math>, the sizes of the condensate cloud are:</p> $z_L = z_0 + v_z t \approx v_z t \quad \rho_L = \rho_0 + v_\rho t \approx v_\rho t.$ <p>The cloud aspect ratio after the time <math>t</math>, <math>\frac{z_L}{\rho_L} \approx \frac{v_z}{v_\rho} \sim \sqrt{\frac{\Omega_z}{2\Omega_\rho}} \ll 1</math>.</p> <p><i>Correct final answers upto some multiplication factor: full mark</i></p>	<p><b>0.25</b></p> <p><b>0.25</b></p>
<p><b>10.4</b> <b>0.5pt</b></p>	<p>Due to isotropic nature of thermal cloud, described by the Maxwell distribution:</p> $v_{T,z} = v_{T,\rho} \Rightarrow \frac{v_{T,\rho}}{v_{T,z}} \approx 1.$ <p>one can easily find <math>z_{T,L} = z_0 + v_z t \approx v_z t</math>, <math>\rho_{T,L} = \rho_0 + v_\rho t \approx v_\rho t</math>.</p> <p>After a very long time, the aspect ratio of the thermal cloud therefore:</p> $\rho_{T,L} : z_{T,L} \sim 1$ <p><i>Note: students use different velocities (arithmetrical, rms, projection....etc.) to estimate the expansion of the cloud, as long as they give the correct ratio <math>\rho_L : z_T \sim 1</math>, full mark of this sub question is granted. In this question, the correct multiplication factor is requested. For incorrect multiplication factor: zero mark</i></p>	<p><b>0.2</b></p> <p><b>0.2</b></p> <p><b>0.1</b></p>