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Atomic frequency standard



Allan deviation: measure of instability

$\nu = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2(n-1)\bar{\nu}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\nu_{i+1} - \nu_i)^2}$

 v_i is the mean frequency in interval *i*

Shot noise limit of the short-term stability:



Microwave clocks with free atoms:

Cs beam standard (PTB CS2): $T_{\rm R}$ = 8 ms, $\sigma_{\rm y}~(1s) = 3.6 \times 10^{-12}$

A. Bauch, Meas. Sci. Technol. 14, 1159 (2003)

Cs fountain:

$$\text{T}_{\text{R}}\text{=}$$
 800 ms, $\sigma_y(1s)=4{\times}10^{-14}$

G. Santarelli et al, PRL 82, 4619 (1999)









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Then we apply the unitary transformation

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and express the components of the RF field in the local frame where the z' is along the dc field

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In the absence of dressing: Breit-Rabi

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Floquet theory: J. H. Shirley, Phys. Rev. 138, B979 (1965)

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Parameters:

$$\frac{\delta B_I}{B_I} = 2.5 \times 10^{-4} \qquad \frac{\delta B_{rf}}{B_{rf}} = 5 \times 10^{-4} \qquad \epsilon = 0.2^{\circ}$$

T.Berrada et al, Nature Communications 4, 2077 (2013)

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