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Fluorescence spectrum of spontaneous emission in cavity.<sup>1</sup> MATTHEW TERRACIANO, REBECCA OLSON, LUIS OROZCO, Physics UMD, College Park, MD, PERRY RICE, Miami U., Oxford OH — We study the probe spectrum of light generated by spontaneous emission into the mode of a cavity QED system. We identify the spontaneous emission process by the polarization of the transmitted light when the excitation of the atoms is with linear polarization in a  $\Delta m = 0$  transition in the  $D_2$  line of <sup>85</sup>Rb. The probe spectrum has a maximum on-resonance when the number of inverted atoms for an input drive is maximal. For a larger number of atoms N, the maximum splits and develops into a doublet, but its frequencies are different from those of the so-called vacuum Rabi splitting.

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