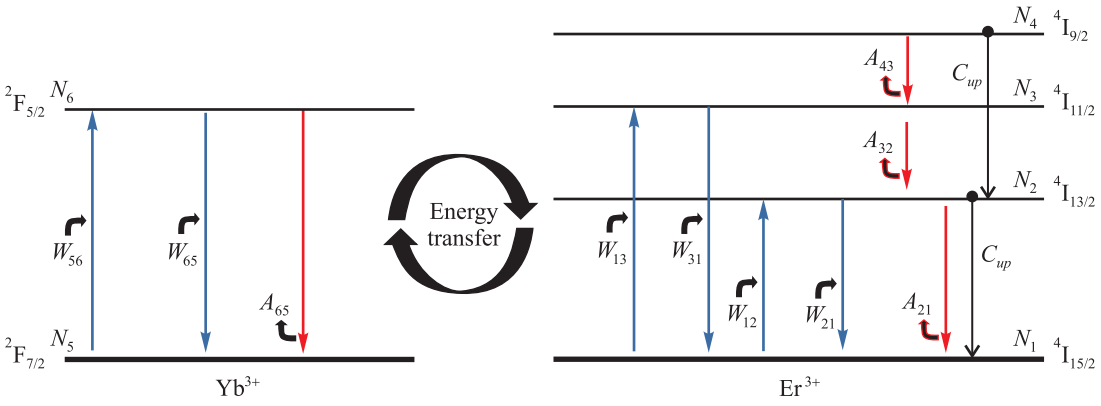

Fig. 1. Simplified energy level diagram of Yb^{3+} and Er^{3+} ions