Hydrogen Spectrum & Rydberg Constant Lab Analysis

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[1]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt import numpy as np import os
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[112]: Path = os.getcwd()
print(Path)
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[48]: n_2 = 2
Q_num = [3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]
balmer = [656.43, 486.57, 436.35, 410.916, 397., 386.571]
error = [.5, .5, 2, .5, .2, 3]
error_adj = [0.0000011, 0.0000021, 0.00001, 0.00000296, 0.00000126, 0.00002007]
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$$y = \left(\frac{1}{n_2^2} - \frac{1}{n_1^2}\right) \tag{1}$$

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[75]: y = []
x=[]
xerr=[]
for i in range(len(Q_num)):
     y.append(1/(n_2**2)- 1/(Q_num[i]**2))
     x.append(1/balmer[i])
     xerr.append(error[i])
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[75]: [0.138888888888889, 0.1875,
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0.21,

- 0.2222222222222,
- 0.22959183673469388,
- 0.234375]

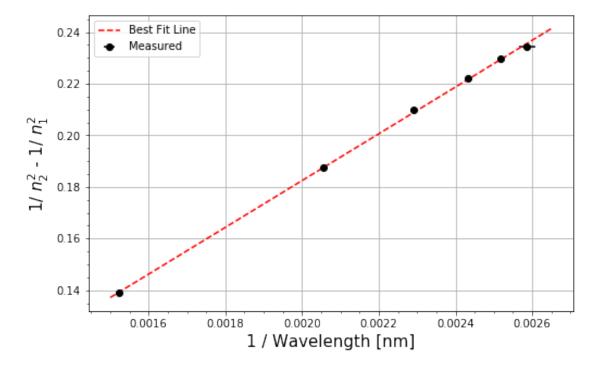
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func = slope * xrange + intercept

#Units: uT/Amps
print("Slope = " + str(slope))
print("Intercept = " + str(intercept))

expected = []
residuals = []
new_y = []
for i in range(len(x)):
    expected.append(x[i] * slope + intercept)
    residuals.append((expected[i]-y[i]))
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Slope = 90.62810808945004 Intercept = 0.0012143247428822682

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plt.figure(figsize = [8,5])
  plt.errorbar(xrange, func, fmt ='--',color = 'red',label='Best Fit Line')
  plt.errorbar(x, y, xerr=error_adj, fmt ='o',color = 'black',label='Measured')
  plt.grid()
  plt.xlabel("1 / Wavelength [nm]", size = 15)
  plt.ylabel("1/ $n_2^2$ - 1/ $n_1^2$", size = 15)
  #plt.title("Inverse Wavelength vs. ")
  plt.legend()
  plt.minorticks_on()
  plt.savefig(Path + "/Inverse Wavelength plot.png",bbox_inches='tight')
  plt.show()
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[100]: \#Slope is in inv nm, we can convert this to inv cm by dividing by 9e-4 R_M = slope / 9e-4 m = 9.10938356e-31 \#Mass of electron in kg M = 1.6726219e-27 \#Mass of proton in kg
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Using the equation:

$$R_M = R_\infty \frac{1}{1 + m/M} \tag{2}$$

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[111]: #Calculating the Rydberg Constant
R_inf = R_M*(1 + m/M)
print("R_inf = "+str(R_inf))

#Calculating total error
R_inf_know = 109737.31568508
total_err = (R_inf_know-R_inf)/R_inf_know

print("Our total error is: " +str(round(total_err*100,3)) +"%")
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 $R_{inf} = 100752.73966630323$ Our total error is: 8.187%

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