

(a) The energy levels, E_n , of the hydrogen atom are given by

$$E_n = -13.6/n^2 \text{ eV, where } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

What is the wavelength of the photon that results from a transition from the second excited state to the ground state?

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$$n=1 \quad E_n = -13.6 \text{ eV}$$

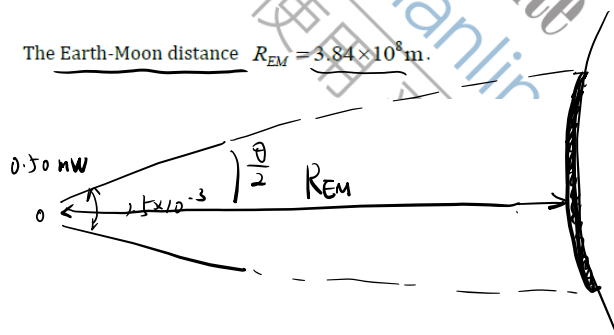
$$n=2 \quad E_n = -\frac{13.6}{4} = -3.4 \text{ eV}$$

$$E = h\nu \quad h$$

(b) A 0.50 mW laser, of wavelength 590 nm producing a beam with a divergence angle of 1.5×10^{-3} radians, is pointing at the Moon. What is the maximum number of photons arriving per second per square metre on the Moon?

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The Earth-Moon distance $R_{EM} = 3.84 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$.



photon

$$E = hf = h\nu$$

$$\frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \times 1.5 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$r = R_{EM} \cdot \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$A = \pi r^2$$

$$\frac{0.5 \times 10^{-3}}{h \cdot \frac{c}{\lambda}} = N$$

(c) A photon of frequency f_1 and wavelength λ_1 , momentum h/λ_1 , is scattered by a stationary electron. A photon of frequency f_2 and wavelength λ_2 results. It travels in the opposite direction to the initial photon and the electron gains energy of 5.00 keV, with velocity v in the same direction as the incident photon. Determine numerically the value of λ_1 .

$$p = mc \quad E = hf = mc^2$$

$$p = mv$$

$$E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{p^2}{2m}$$

$$p = \sqrt{2mE_k}$$

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collision

$$\begin{cases} M.C. \\ E.C. \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{h}{\lambda_1} = \sqrt{2m_e E_k} - \frac{h}{\lambda_2}$$

$$\begin{cases} hf_1 = hf_2 + E_k \Rightarrow h \frac{c}{\lambda_1} = h \frac{c}{\lambda_2} + E_k \end{cases}$$

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$$1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

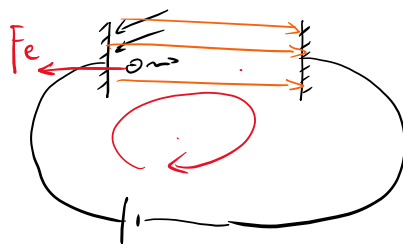
$$m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$$

$$\frac{h}{\lambda_1} = \sqrt{2m_e E_k} - \left(\frac{h}{\lambda_2} - \frac{E_k}{c} \right)$$

$$\frac{h}{\lambda_2} = \frac{h}{\lambda_1} - \frac{E_k}{c}$$

- (d) Monochromatic light of wavelength λ is incident on a metal surface. A potential of 1.32 V is required to cut off the flow of photoelectrons.

What is the work function of the metal?



$$E = hf$$

$$E_k = hf - \phi$$

$$E = 0 \text{ V}$$

$$E_k = 1.32 \text{ eV}$$

$$\phi = hf - E_k = h \cdot \frac{c}{\lambda} - 1.32 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$$

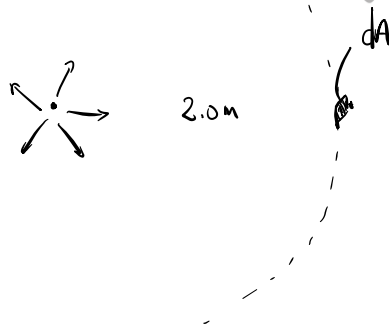
work function

A photon of wavelength λ has momentum p and energy E_λ .

- (i) Determine the relation between p and E_λ . An electric light bulb emits 20 W of radiation uniformly in all directions.

- (ii) What is the maximum radiation pressure on a surface placed 2.0 m away from the bulb?

- (iii) State the conditions under which this occurs.

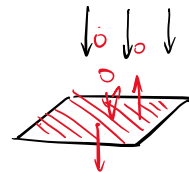


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Δt

$$E_\lambda = h\nu = h \cdot \frac{c}{\lambda} = mc^2$$

$$\frac{h}{\lambda} = mc = p \quad E_\lambda = p \cdot c$$



$$\left(\frac{20 \cdot \Delta t}{2\pi R^2} \cdot dA \right) \cdot 2p$$

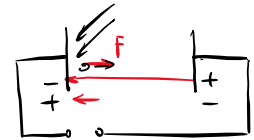
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$$P = \frac{\frac{20 \cdot \frac{E_\lambda}{c}}{2\pi R^2} \cdot dA \cdot 2p}{dA} = \frac{10 E_\lambda}{\pi R^2 \cdot c} = \frac{10 E_\lambda}{\pi h R^2 \cdot c \cdot \frac{c}{\lambda}} = \frac{10 E_\lambda \cdot \lambda}{\pi h R^2 c^2}$$

(a)(i) Explain the photoelectric effect.

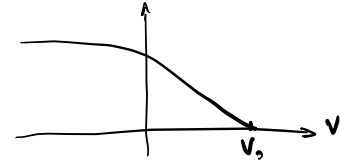
(ii) Derive a relation between the incident photon frequency, ν , and the electron kinetic energy for a photocathode with work function ϕ .

$$E_k = h\nu - \phi$$



(iii) How does the classical explanation of this phenomenon differ from the quantum explanation? *wave*

(iv) Sketch a graph of current, I , against voltage, V , from anode to cathode, for positive and negative V , in the presence of a constant beam of photons in a photoelectric experiment.

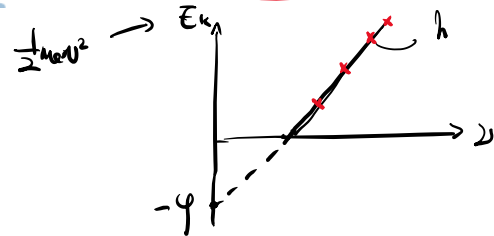


(v) How could one graphically determine ϕ from measurements of photon wavelength and electron velocity?

$$\phi = h\nu - E_k = h \frac{c}{\lambda} - E_k$$

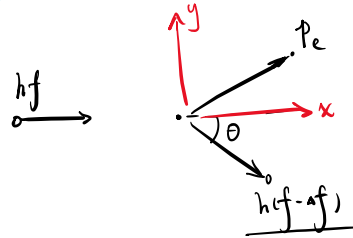
$$E_k = h \frac{c}{\lambda} - \phi$$

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The scattering of photons (Compton scattering) can be used to identify the composition of materials by the intensity of the scattered radiation. The scattered radiation is at a different frequency and in this problem you are asked to find out what happens when a photon is scattered off at an angle.

An incident photon, frequency f , momentum (hf/c), is scattered by a stationary electron producing a scattered photon of frequency $(f - \Delta f)$, where Δf is small compared with f . This photon travels in a direction that makes an angle θ with the direction of the incident photon. The electron, mass m_e , acquires a non-relativistic speed v .



(a) Draw a labelled vector triangle of the momenta of the particles.

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(b) Write down the equation relating the magnitude of the momentum of the electron to that of the photons.

$$p_{ey} = \frac{h(f-\Delta f)}{c} \sin \theta \quad p_{ex} = \frac{hf}{c} - \frac{h(f-\Delta f)}{c} \cos \theta \quad [4]$$

(c) Obtain the equation for energy conservation.

$$hf = h(f-\Delta f) + \frac{1}{2} m_e v^2 \quad [2]$$

(d) Deduce an equation for Δf . When Δf is much less than f and hf much less than $m_e c^2$, obtain the approximation,

$$\Delta f = \frac{hf^2(1 - \cos \theta)}{m_e c^2}$$

$$hf = hf - h\Delta f + \frac{1}{2} m_e v^2 \quad [7]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta f &= \frac{m_e v^2}{2h} & p_e &= \sqrt{p_{ex}^2 + p_{ey}^2} & p_e^2 &= p_{ex}^2 + p_{ey}^2 \\ &= \frac{p_e^2}{2m_e h} = \frac{p_{ex}^2 + p_{ey}^2}{2m_e h} \\ &= \frac{1}{2m_e h} \left(\left(\frac{hf}{c} - \frac{h(f-\Delta f)}{c} \cos \theta \right)^2 + \left(\frac{h(f-\Delta f)}{c} \sin \theta \right)^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2m_e h} \left(\frac{h^2 f^2}{c^2} - \frac{2h^2 f(f-\Delta f)}{c^2} \cos \theta + \frac{h^2 (f-\Delta f)^2}{c^2} \cos^2 \theta + \frac{h^2 (f-\Delta f)^2}{c^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2m_e h} \left(\frac{h^2 f^2}{c^2} - \frac{2h^2 f(f-\Delta f)}{c^2} \cos \theta + \frac{h^2 (f-\Delta f)^2}{c^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{h}{2m_e c^2} \left(f^2 - 2f(f-\Delta f) \cos \theta + (f-\Delta f)^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{hf^2}{2m_e c^2} \left(1 - \frac{2(f-\Delta f) \cos \theta}{f} + \left(1 - \frac{\Delta f}{f}\right)^2 \right) \quad (\Delta f \ll f) \\ &= \frac{hf^2}{2m_e c^2} \left(2 - 2\left(1 - \frac{\Delta f}{f}\right) \cos \theta \right) = \frac{hf^2}{2m_e c^2} (2 - 2 \cos \theta) = \frac{hf^2(1 - \cos \theta)}{m_e c^2} \end{aligned}$$