

PH107-Quiz 1 (2019) Solutions

Solution to Q1

$$(a) \text{ Photon energy} = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{6.63 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^8}{550 \times 10^{-9}} J = 3.616 \times 10^{-19} J \quad 0.5$$

$$\text{Intensity of light} = 10 \mu W / cm^2 = 10^{-5} J / s / cm^2 = \frac{10^{-5}}{3.616 \times 10^{-19}} \text{ photon} / s / cm^2 \quad 0.5$$

$$\text{Photoelectrons produced per second} = \frac{10^{-5}}{3.616 \times 10^{-19}} \times 0.5 \times 0.05 = 6.9 \times 10^{11} \quad 0.5$$

$$\text{Maximum current (A)} = \frac{6.9 \times 10^{11}}{6.22 \times 10^{18}} = 1.11 \times 10^{-7} A \quad 0.5$$

$$(b) K_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} m V_{\max}^2 = \frac{1}{2} (mc^2) (V_{\max} / c)^2 = 0.248 eV$$

$$V_s = 0.248 V \quad 0.5$$

$$(c) \phi = \frac{hc}{\lambda} - eV_s = \frac{1239.8}{500} - 0.248 = 2.254 - 0.248 = 2 \text{ eV} \quad 0.5$$

$$(d) K_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} m V_{\max}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 511 \times 10^3 \times \left(\frac{6.22 \times 10^5}{3 \times 10^8} \right)^2 = 1.098 \text{ eV} = eV_s \quad 0.5$$

$$\frac{hc}{\lambda} = eV_s + \phi = 3.098$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1239.8}{3.098} = 400 \text{ nm} \quad 0.5$$

Solution to Q2

- (a) Energy of the nth state of a positronium atom

$$E_n = \frac{-13.6}{n^2} \times \frac{\mu_{(p)}}{m_e} \text{ eV} = \frac{-13.6}{n^2} \times \frac{m_e/2}{m_e} \text{ eV} = -\frac{6.8}{n^2} \text{ eV}$$

0.5

Energy of emitted photon

$$\varepsilon_{ph} = E_3 - E_1 = \frac{8}{9} \times 6.8 \text{ eV} = 6.04 \text{ eV}$$

0.5

Maximum kinetic energy of photoelectron

$$\text{K.E} = \varepsilon_{ph} - \phi = 3.04 \text{ eV}$$

0.5

$$V_{max} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times \text{K.E}}{m_e}} = \left[\frac{2 \times 3.04 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}{9.11 \times 10^{-31}} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{1.068 \times 10^{12}} = 1.033 \times 10^6 \text{ m/s}$$

0.5

- (b) Ignoring the term due to kinetic energy of the recoiling positronium atom in the energy balance, the momentum of the emitted photon

$$p_{ph} = \frac{\varepsilon_{ph}}{c}$$

Therefore, momentum of the recoiling positronium atom = $\frac{\varepsilon_{ph}}{c}$

$$(2m_e)v = \frac{\varepsilon_{ph}}{c}$$

$$v = \frac{\varepsilon_{ph}}{2m_e c}$$

0.5

$$\frac{\varepsilon_{ph}}{2m_e c} = \frac{\varepsilon_{ph}}{2m_e c^2} \times c = \frac{6.04}{2 \times 0.511 \times 10^6} \times 3 \times 10^8$$

$$\therefore v = 1773 \text{ m/s}$$

0.5

Solution to Q3

(a) $T_1 = 173 + 273 \text{ K}$, $\lambda_{1\text{max}} = \frac{2.897 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m.K}}{446 \text{ K}} = 6497 \text{ nm}$ 0.5

(b) $T_2 = \frac{2.897 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m.K}}{650 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}} = 4457 \text{ K}$ 0.5

(c) Ratio of intensities: $\frac{I_2}{I_1} = \left(\frac{T_2}{T_1}\right)^4 = 9973 = 10^4$

OR $\frac{I_1}{I_2} = \left(\frac{T_1}{T_2}\right)^4 = 10^{-4}$ 0.5

(d)

Start at

$$u(\nu)d\nu = \frac{8\pi h \nu^3 d\nu}{c^3} (e^{h\nu / k_B T} - 1)^{-1}$$

$$u(\lambda)d\lambda = \frac{8\pi hc}{\lambda^5} d\lambda (e^{hc / \lambda k_B T} - 1)^{-1}$$

OR

$$u(\lambda)d\lambda = \frac{8\pi hc}{\lambda^5} e^{-hc / \lambda k_B T} d\lambda$$

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Convert to intensity

$$I(\lambda)d\lambda = \frac{c}{4} u(\lambda)d\lambda = \frac{2\pi hc^2}{\lambda^5} d\lambda (e^{hc / \lambda k_B T} - 1)^{-1} \approx \frac{2\pi hc^2}{\lambda^5} e^{-hc / \lambda k_B T} d\lambda$$

0.5

Calculate λ_{max} and identify $d\lambda$

$$\lambda_{\text{max}} = \frac{2.897 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m.K}}{1278 \text{ K}} = 2267 \text{ nm}$$

$$d\lambda = 1 \text{ nm}$$

0.5

$$k_B T = 8.6 \times 10^{-5} \times 1278 \text{ eV} = 0.11 \text{ eV}$$

$$\frac{hc}{\lambda_{\max} k_B T} = \frac{4.135 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV} \cdot \text{s} \times 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{2267 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m} \times 0.11 \text{ eV}} = 4.975$$

Final calculation

$$I(\lambda) d\lambda = \frac{2\pi \times (6.6 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}) (3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})^2 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}}{(2267 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})^5} (e^{4.975} - 1)^{-1} = 43.38 \text{ W/m}^2$$

0.5

Summary of the marking scheme for this problem,

If you	You get
Arrived at the expression of intensity, starting from energy density (as shown above)	0.5+0.5+0.5=1.5
Copied the expression of intensity (given as a hint)	0.5
Identified $d\lambda$ and calculated λ_{\max} .	+0.5
Got the final answer correct	+0.5
Total	2.5 1.5
Attempted the problem (even using Wien's law, Stefan's law etc.)	1
Did not attempt the problem	0

Solution to Q4

(a)

1. Calculation of λ_2

$$\lambda_2 = \lambda_1 + \lambda_c (1 - \cos 90^\circ)$$

$$= \lambda_1 + \lambda_c = 60 + 2.43 = 62.43 \text{ pm}$$

0.5

2. Calculation of $\Delta \lambda$ for Compton scattering by 2nd particle

$$\Delta \lambda = \lambda_3 - \lambda_2 = (\lambda_3 - \lambda_1) - (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) = \delta \lambda - \lambda_c = 2.6686 - 2.43$$

$$= 0.2386 \text{ pm}$$

0.5

3. Calculation of α

$$\Delta\lambda = \frac{\lambda_c}{\alpha}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\lambda_c}{\Delta\lambda} = \frac{2.43}{0.2386} = 10.18$$

1.0

- (b) In the direction of the incoming photon (λ_2), the momentum balance reads

$$P_{||} = \frac{h}{\lambda_2} = \frac{6.6 \times 10^{-34}}{62.43 \times 10^{-12}} = 10.57 \times 10^{-24} \text{ Kg.m/s}$$

2.0

Note: If you mistook the direction of the incoming photon to be the direction of the λ_1 -photon, you would have calculated the momentum of the particle in the direction perpendicular to the incoming photon (opposite to the outgoing photon λ_3)

$$P_{\perp} = \frac{h}{\lambda_3} = \frac{h}{\lambda_3} = \frac{6.6 \times 10^{-34}}{62.6686 \times 10^{-12}} = 10.53 \times 10^{-24} \text{ Kg.m/s}$$

[you still get 0.5]