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HW #4

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- ① The Photoelectric effect can be an important heating mechanism for the grains of dust found in interstellar clouds (Section 12.1). The ejection of an electron leaves the grain with a (+) charge, which attracts the rates at which other electrons and ions collide with and stick to the grain to produce the heating. This process is particularly effective for UV photons ( $\lambda \approx 100\text{nm}$ ) striking the smaller dust grains. If the average  $E$  of the ejected electron is about 5 eV, estimate the work function of a typical dust grain.

$$E_{\text{avg}} = 5\text{ eV} \quad \lambda \approx 100\text{ nm}$$

$$K_{\text{max}} = \frac{hc}{\lambda} - \Phi$$

$$\Phi = \frac{hc}{\lambda} - K_{\text{max}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} hc &= (3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})(6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}) \\ &= (1.9878 \times 10^{-25} \text{ J m}) \left( \frac{6.242 \times 10^{18} \text{ eV}}{\text{s}} \right) \\ &= 1.241 \times 10^{-16} \text{ eV m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Phi \approx \frac{hc}{100\text{nm}} - 5\text{eV}$$

$$\Phi \approx \frac{1.241 \times 10^{-16} \text{ eV m}}{1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}} - 5\text{eV}$$

$$\Phi \approx 12.4\text{eV} - 5\text{eV}$$

$$\boxed{\Phi \approx 7.41\text{eV}}$$

- ② A one-electron atom is an atom with  $Z$  protons in the nucleus and with all but one of its electrons lost to ionization.

- a) Starting with Coulomb's law, determine expressions for the orbital radii and energies for a Bohr model of the one-electron atom with  $Z$  protons.

$$F = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \quad q_1 = -e \quad q_2 = Ze$$

$$F = k \frac{Ze(-e)}{r^2} = -m \frac{v^2}{r} \quad \text{reduced mass of } e^-$$

$$\text{KE of system} = \frac{1}{2} M v^2 = \frac{1}{2} k k \frac{Z e^2}{r^2} = \frac{k Z e^2}{2r}$$

$E_{\text{TOT}} = KE + PE$ , so solve for Potential Energy

$$PE = \frac{kq_1 q_2}{r} = \frac{kze(-e)}{r} = -\frac{kze^2}{r}$$

$$E_{\text{TOT}} = KE + PE = \frac{kze^2}{2r} - \frac{kze^2}{r} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{kze^2}{2r} - \frac{2kze^2}{2r} = -\frac{kze^2}{2r} = E_{\text{TOT}} = -KE$$

Substitute using  $L = n\hbar = mvr$

$$E = -KE = -\frac{1}{2} M v^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{(mvr)^2}{Mr^2} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{(n\hbar)^2}{Mr^2}$$

Solving for radius,  $r$

$$\left( -\frac{1}{2} \frac{(n\hbar)^2}{Mr^2} = \frac{kze^2}{2r} \right) \frac{2r^2}{kze^2}$$

$$r = \frac{(n\hbar)^2}{MKze^2}$$

- [b]** Find the radius of the ground-state orbit, the ground state energy, and the ionization energy of a single ionized helium (He II).  $e = 2.71828$

$$\hbar = 1.055 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$K = 1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

$$r = -\frac{\hbar^2}{M Ke^2} \frac{n^2}{Z} = -\frac{(1.055 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s})^2}{(4 \times 10^3)(1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1})(1.602 \times 10^{-19})^2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 1.92 \times 10^{-35} \text{ m}$$

- [c]** Repeat part (b) for doubly ionized helium.

$$r = -\frac{\hbar^2}{M Ke^2} \frac{n^2}{Z} = -\frac{(1.055 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s})^2}{(1.11 \times 10^3)(1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1})(1.602 \times 10^{-19})^2} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 1.28 \times 10^{-35} \text{ m}$$

- (3)** A white dwarf is a very dense, with its ions and electrons packed extremely close together. Each electron may be considered to be located within a region of size  $\Delta x = 1.5 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}$ . Use Heisenberg's J.P. to est.  $s_{\min}$  of the electron. Do you think that the effects of relativity will be important for these stars?

$$\Delta x = 1.5 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}$$

$$V_{\min} = ?$$

$$m_e = 9.109 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$$

$$\hbar = 1.055 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$\Delta x \approx \frac{\hbar}{\Delta p} \Rightarrow \Delta p \approx \frac{\hbar}{\Delta x}$$

$$\Delta p \approx \frac{1.055 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}}{1.5 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}}$$

$$\frac{\text{kg m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}}{\text{m}} = \text{kg ms}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta p \approx 7.03 \times 10^{-23} \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$$

where  $P_{\min} \approx \Delta p$  so

$$v_{\min} = \frac{P_{\min}}{m_e}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{7.72 \times 10^7}{3 \times 10^{-31}}} \approx 26\%$$

$$v_{\min} = \frac{7.03 \times 10^{-23} \text{ kg ms}^{-1}}{9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}}$$

$$v_{\min} = 7.72 \times 10^7 \text{ m/s}$$

The effects of relativity are important as this speed is  $\approx 26\%$  as fast as  $c$ .

- ④ An electron spends roughly  $10^{-8}$  s in the first excited state of the H atom before making a spontaneous downward transition to the ground state.

- [a] Use Heisenberg's U.P. (Eq. 5.20) to determine the uncertainty  $\Delta E$  in the energy of the first excited state.

$$\Delta E \Delta t \approx \hbar \quad \Delta t = 10^{-8} \text{ s} \quad \hbar = 1.055 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$\Delta E \approx \frac{\hbar}{\Delta t}$$

$$\Delta E \approx \frac{1.055 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}}{10^{-8} \text{ s}}$$

$$\Delta E \approx 1.055 \times 10^{-26} \text{ J}$$

- [b] Calculate uncertainty  $\Delta \lambda$  in the wavelength of the photon involved in a transition between the ground & first excited of the hydrogen atom. Why can you assume that  $\Delta E = 0$  for the ground state?

$$\Delta E = \frac{-hc}{\lambda} \rightarrow \frac{\Delta E}{\Delta \lambda} = \frac{-hc}{\lambda^2} \xrightarrow[\text{to solve for } \Delta \lambda]{\text{Rearrange}} \frac{\Delta E \lambda^2}{-hc} = \Delta \lambda$$

$$\text{where } \Delta E = \Delta E \quad \Delta \lambda = \Delta \lambda \xrightarrow{\Delta E = -\frac{\Delta E \lambda^2}{hc}} \Delta E = \frac{\Delta E}{\lambda^2} = \Delta \lambda$$

when at the ground state,  $\Delta E = 0$

$$\Delta \lambda_1 = \frac{\lambda^2}{nc} (0) = 0$$

$$\Delta E = 6.58 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$\lambda = 1.216 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta \lambda_2 = \frac{\lambda^2}{nc} \Delta E = \frac{(1.216 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m})^2}{(6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js})(3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})} (6.58 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J})$$

$$\Delta \lambda_2 = 4.894 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

- ⑤ The members of a class of stars known as AP stars are distinguished by their strong global magnetic fields (usually a few tenths of one tesla). The star HD 215441 has an unusually strong magnetic field of 3.4 T. Find the frequencies and wavelengths of the three components of the Hα spectral line produced by the normal Zeeman effects for this magnetic field.

$$V = V_0 = V_0 \pm \frac{eB}{4\pi M} \rightarrow \Delta V = \frac{eB}{4\pi M c}$$

$$V_0 = \frac{c}{\lambda} = \frac{3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{6.5628 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}} = 4.571 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

$$\Delta V = \frac{(1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})(3.4 \text{ T})}{4\pi (9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg})} = 4.759 \times 10^{10} \text{ Hz}$$

$$B = 3.4 \text{ T} \quad f = ? \quad \lambda = ? \quad m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg} \quad f = \frac{c}{\lambda}$$

$$\lambda = 656.281 \text{ nm} \quad V_0 =$$

$$f_1 = \frac{c}{\lambda} = \frac{(3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})}{(656.281 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})} = 4.571 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

$$f_2 = V_0 = 4.571 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

$$f_3 = V_0 - \Delta V = 4.570 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{c}{f_1} = 656.281 \text{ nm}$$

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{C}{f_2} = \frac{(3 \times 10^8)}{(4.571 \times 10^{14})} = 656.311 \text{ nm}$$

$$\lambda_3 = \frac{C}{f_3} = \frac{(3 \times 10^8)}{(4.510 \times 10^{14})} = 656.445 \text{ nm}$$

$$R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta\lambda} = \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_3 - \lambda_1} = \frac{656.281 \text{ nm}}{656.445 \text{ nm} - 656.281 \text{ nm}} = 3.768 \times 10^3$$

The R-value needed to view all three of the lines is  $3.768 \times 10^3$ .

## Problem Set 4 - Problem 5.18 C&O

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[6]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# -----
# Write a function to generate wave function ( $\Psi$ ) given N terms
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def wavefunction(x, N):
    psi = np.zeros(x.shape);
    for n in range(1, N+1, 2):
        D = (-1)**((n-1)/2)*np.sin(n*x);
        psi += 2/(N+1) + D
    return psi;

# -----
# Part a
# -----


x_rad = np.linspace(0, np.pi, num=500);

psi_5 = wavefunction(np.array(x_rad), 5)
plt.figure(1);
plt.clf();
plt.plot(x_rad, psi_5,'k.');
plt.xlabel('x (radians)');
plt.ylabel('$\Psi$');
plt.title('X v. $\Psi$ = 5');
plt.show()
plt.savefig('figure_1.png');


# -----
# Part b
# -----


psi_11 = wavefunction(np.array(x_rad), 11)
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plt.figure(2);
plt.clf();
plt.plot(x_rad, psi_11, 'k.');
plt.ylabel('$\Psi$');
plt.xlabel('x (radians)');
plt.title('X v. $\Psi$ = 11');
plt.show()
plt.savefig('figure_2.png');

# -----
# Part c
# -----


psi_21 = wavefunction(np.array(x_rad), 21)
plt.figure(3);
plt.clf();
plt.plot(x_rad, psi_21, 'k.');
plt.ylabel('$\Psi$');
plt.xlabel('x (radians)');
plt.title('X v. $\Psi$ = 21');
plt.show()
plt.savefig('figure_3.png');

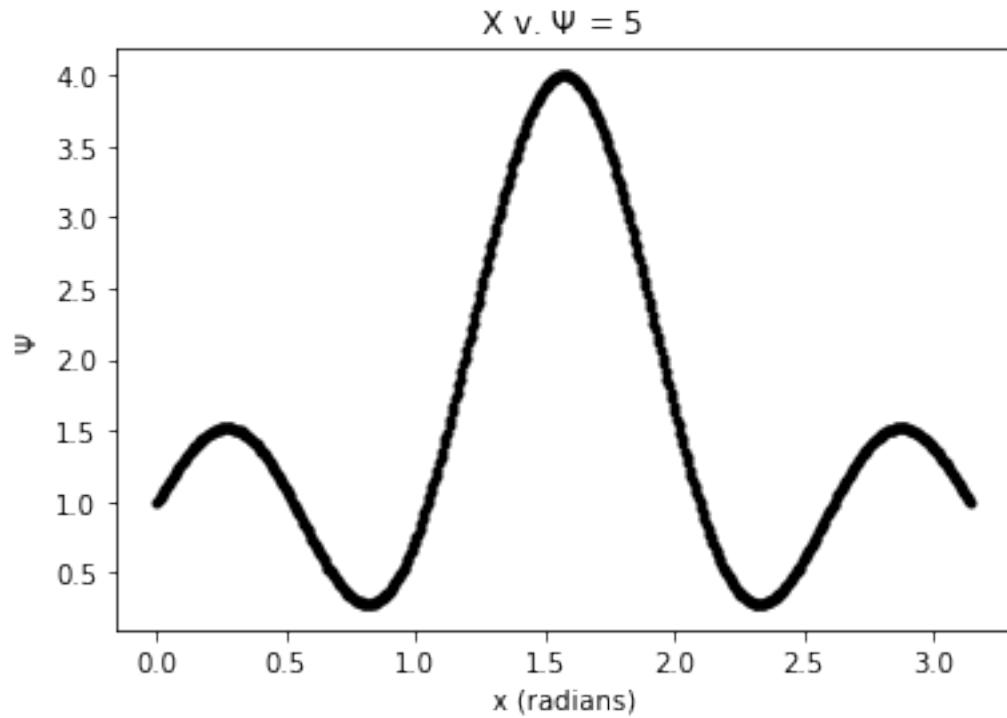

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# Part d
# -----


psi_41 = wavefunction(np.array(x_rad), 41)
plt.figure(2);
plt.clf();
plt.plot(x_rad, psi_41, 'k.');
plt.ylabel('$\Psi$');
plt.xlabel('x (radians)');
plt.title('X v. $\Psi$ = 41');
plt.show()
plt.savefig('figure_4.png');

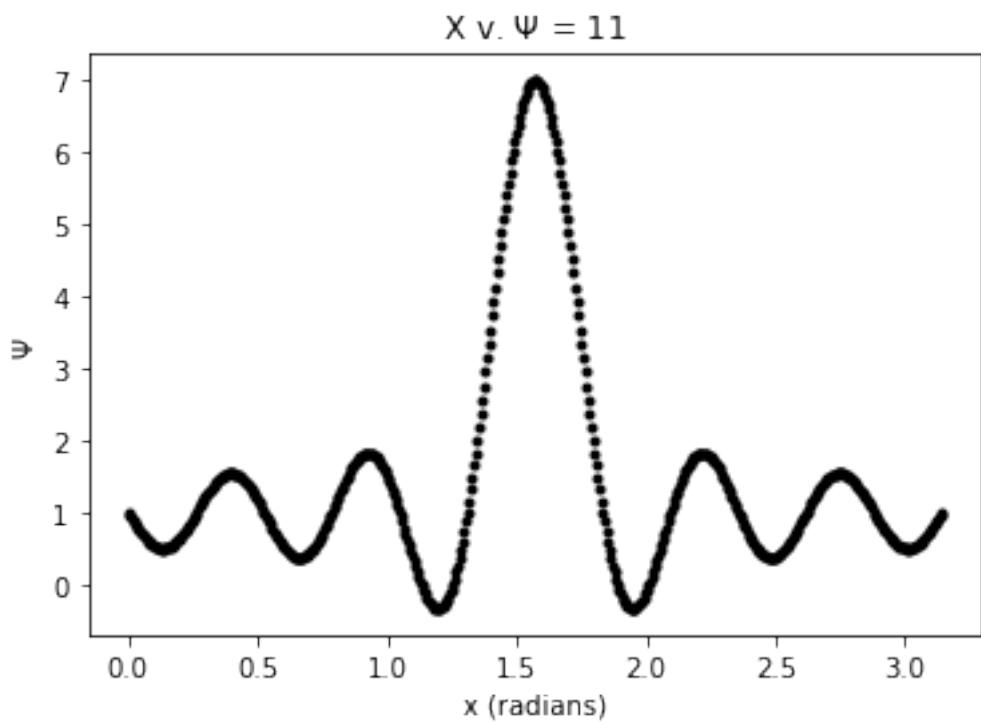
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# Part e
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# The particular will be known with least uncertainty when N is greatest. As
# more points are added to the data set, the more obvious the position is, □
# → giving
# less uncertainty. Based upon this reasoning, N=41 would give the positioning
# with the least uncertainty. Conversely, N=41 would also give you momentum with
# the least uncertainty, as well.

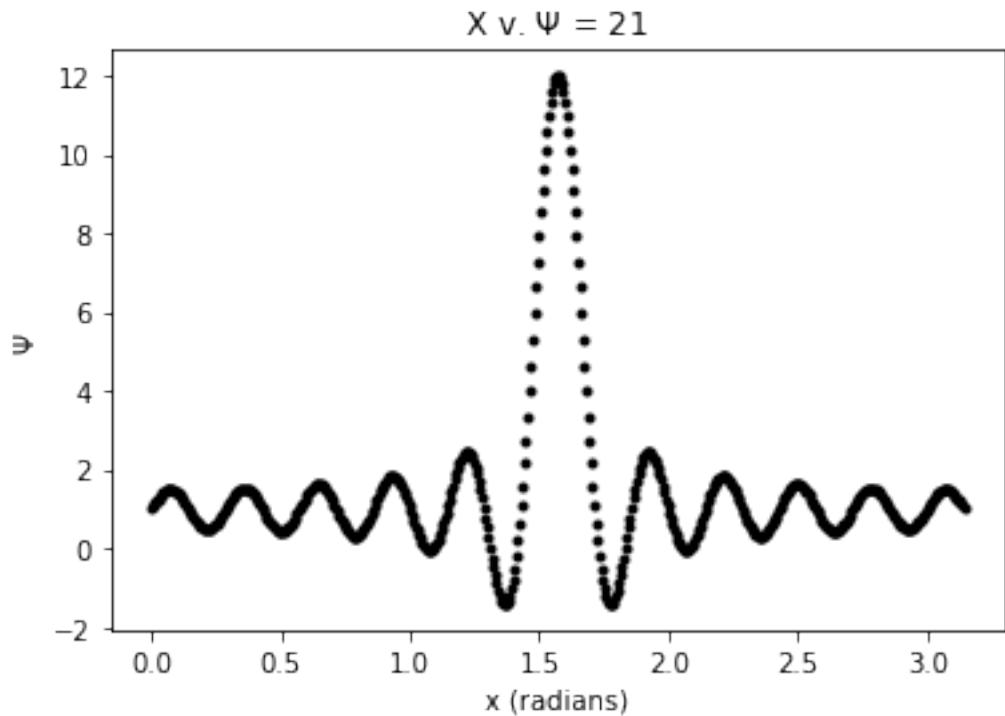
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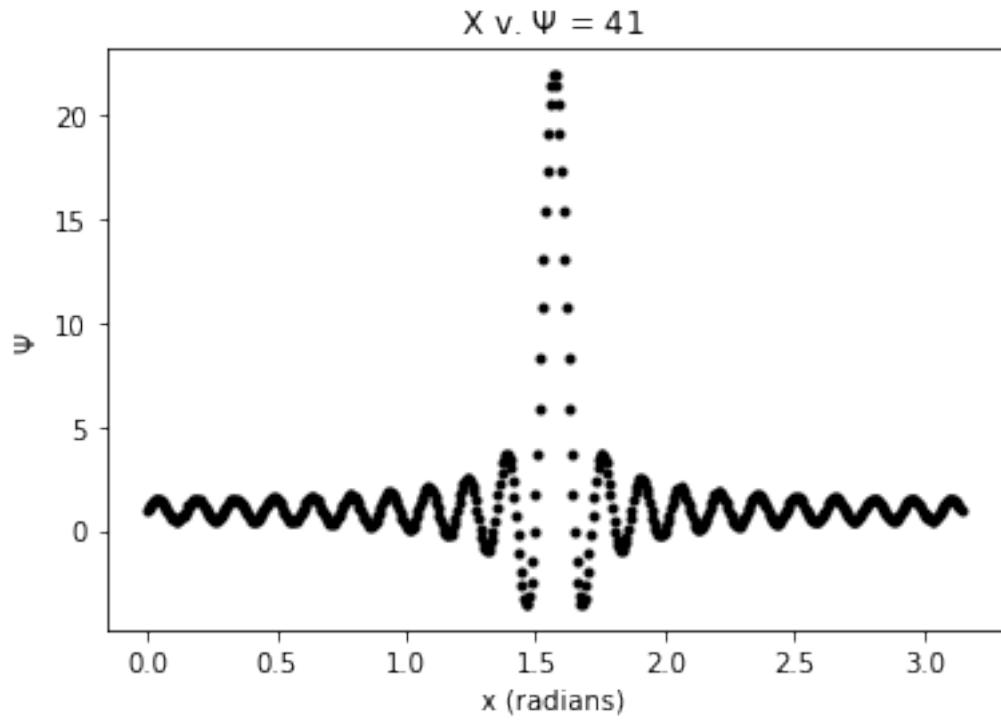
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