

**Problem 1.    Anderson 5.9**

A narrow beam of gamma rays passes through 2.0 cm of lead. The incident beam consists of 30% 0.4 MeV photons and 70% 1.5 MeV photons. What fraction of the incident fluence is transmitted? Use Figure 5.5.

In addition to what's asked for in the question, find the effective attenuation coefficient.

**Solution**

**Problem 2.    Anderson 5.10**

A narrow beam of neutrons passes through 2.0 cm of cadmium. The incident beam consists of 60% 0.02 MeV neutrons and 40% 0.5 MeV neutrons. What fraction of the incident fluence is transmitted? Use the information on Figure 5.6.

**Solution**

**Problem 3. Anderson 5.14**

Calculate the dose for a 100 R exposure measured in muscle tissue and bone at 18 keV ( $\text{Mo} - \text{K}_\alpha$ ), 140 keV ( $^{99m}\text{Tc}$ ), and 1.25 MeV ( $^{60}\text{Co}$ ) from the information on Figure 5.14. Assume that electronic equilibrium holds at the point of consideration.

**Solution**

**Problem 4.**

Calculate the flux of epithermal neutrons needed to deliver a dose rate of  $0.1 \text{ Gy s}^{-1}$  to muscle (tissue). Use an energy of  $0.1 \text{ MeV}$  to represent the average energy of epithermal neutrons.

**Solution**

**Problem 5.    Anderson 6.4**

What is the angle of scatter and the energy of a Compton electron when the incident photon energy is 140 keV and the angle of scatter of the photon is  $60^\circ$ ?

**Solution**

**Problem 6.**

Calculate the Compton edge energies (max scattered electron energy) for the following isotopes:

- (a)  $^{54}\text{Mn}$
- (b)  $^{137}\text{Cs}$
- (c)  $^{22}\text{Na}$  (ignore the positron annihilation gammas)

**Solution**

**Problem 7.**

Using the photon energy from a  $^{137}\text{Cs}$  decay, calculate the following:

- (a) The Klein Nishina total scattering cross section
- (b) The total atomic cross section for Compton scattering in lead
- (c) The Compton scattering attenuation coefficient in lead

**Solution**

Please see attached code

**Part (a)**

$$\sigma_{KN} = \pi r_0^2 \left[ \frac{2(1+\alpha)}{\alpha^2} \left( \frac{2(1+\alpha)}{1+2\alpha} - \frac{\ln(1+2\alpha)}{\alpha} \right) + \frac{\ln(1+2\alpha)}{\alpha} - \frac{2(1+3\alpha)}{(1+2\alpha)^2} \right]$$

$$\sigma_{KN} = 0.256 \text{ b}$$

**Part (b)**

$$\sigma_{compton} = Z\sigma_{KN}$$

$$\sigma_{compton} = 21 \text{ b}$$

**Part (c)**

$$\left( \frac{\mu}{\rho} \right)_{is} = n_m \sigma_{is}$$

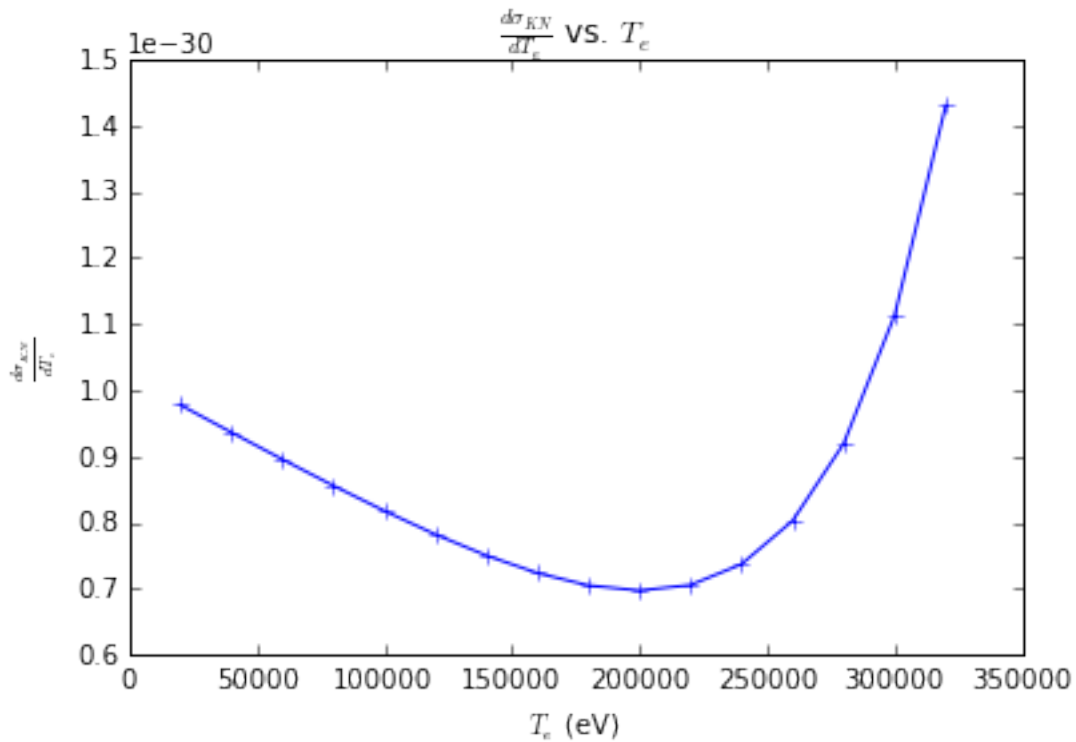
$$\mu_{is} = \frac{N_A Z}{M_m} \rho \sigma_{is}$$

$$\mu_{is} = 56.78 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

### Problem 8.

Calculate the values for  $\frac{d\sigma_{KN}}{dT_e}$  versus  $T_e$  assuming an incoming photon energy of 0.5 MeV. Calculate the values between  $T_e = 0$  and  $T_e = T_{max}$  in step sizes of 0.02 MeV. Plot your results and compare with figure 6.7

### Solution



This strongly resembles figure 6.7, though without the vertical edge drawn in.