

- 9 (a) Explain what is meant by a *photon*.

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- (b) An X-ray photon of wavelength 6.50×10^{-12} m is incident on an isolated stationary electron, as illustrated in Fig. 9.1.

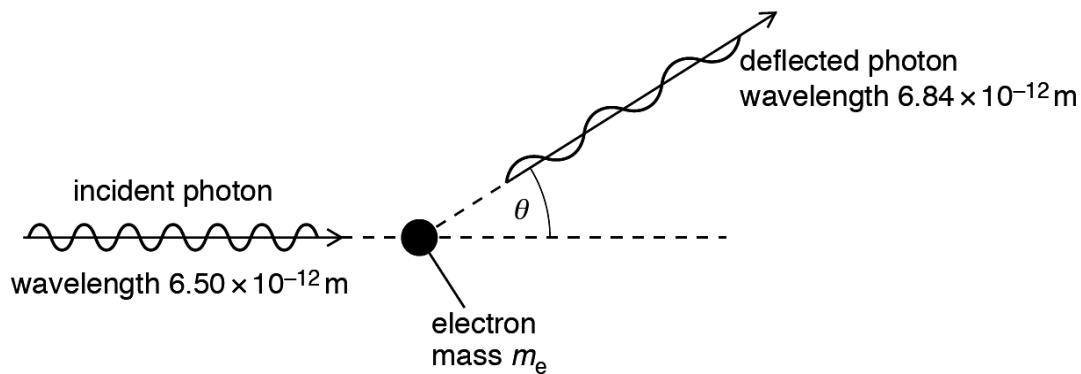


Fig. 9.1

The photon is deflected elastically by the electron of mass m_e . The wavelength of the deflected photon is 6.84×10^{-12} m.

- (i) On Fig. 9.1, draw an arrow to indicate a possible initial direction of motion of the electron after the photon has been deflected.

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- (ii) Calculate

1. the change in energy of the deflected photon.

change in photon energy = J [2]

2. the speed of the electron after the photon has been deflected.

speed = m s^{-1} [2]

(iii) The electron is deflected at an angle of 70° to the horizontal.

Calculate the angle θ through which the photon is deflected.

$$\theta = \dots \text{ } ^\circ [3]$$

(c) The deflected photon in Fig. 9.1 falls on a metal surface of work function 180 keV. Photoelectrons are emitted.

(i) Calculate the maximum kinetic energy of the photoelectrons.

$$\text{maximum kinetic energy} = \dots \text{ J} [2]$$

(ii) Calculate the stopping potential of the photoelectrons

stopping potential = KV [2]

(iii) Explain why the kinetic energy of the photoelectrons is described as maximum.

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(d) The electron in (b)(ii)2 collided with an atom with the 5 lowest energy levels shown in Fig. 9.2.

Level number, n

$-0.07 \times 10^{-15} \text{ J}$ _____ 5

$-0.12 \times 10^{-15} \text{ J}$ _____ 4

$-0.20 \times 10^{-15} \text{ J}$ _____ 3

$-0.46 \times 10^{-15} \text{ J}$ _____ 2

Fig. 9.2

The atom is initially at ground state. As a result of the collision, the atom transits to an excited state.

- (i) Calculate the remaining energy of the recoiling electron after the collision.

energy = J [3]

- (ii) State and explain whether the atom will transit to higher energy level if a photon of identical energy is incident on the atom.

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