



EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA

SECOND EXAMINATION IN SCIENCE - 2007/2008

FIRST SEMESTER (PROPER/REPEAT/ RE-REPEAT)

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PH 201 ATOMIC PHYSICS AND QUANTUM MECHANICS

Time: 02 hours.

Answer ALL Questions

You may assume the following.

Velocity of light $c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

Charge of electron $e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$

Mass of electron $m_e = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$

Planck constant $h = 6.62 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$

$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ Fm}^{-1}$

$N_A = 6.023 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms / mol}^{-1}$

1. State the postulates of Bohr Theory. Drive an expression for wave lengths of the spectral lines in the Balmer line series for the single – ionized helium atom as,

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = R_{He} \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{n^2} \right)$$

Where R_{He} is the Rydberg constant for single- ionized Helium.

If the shortest wavelength of the spectral lines of this series is $0.91 \times 10^{-7} m$. Find,

- (i) The value for R_{He} and
 - (ii) The longest wavelength in the series.
2. What do you mean by Photo Electric Effect?

Define the following terms in Photo Electric Effect.

- (i) Threshold frequency
- (ii) Stopping potential
- (iii) Work function of a metal

Write down the Einstein's equation for Photo Electric Effect.

In a Photo electric experiment a light of wavelength $200nm$ falls on an aluminium surface. The work function of aluminium is $4.20eV$. Determine the following.

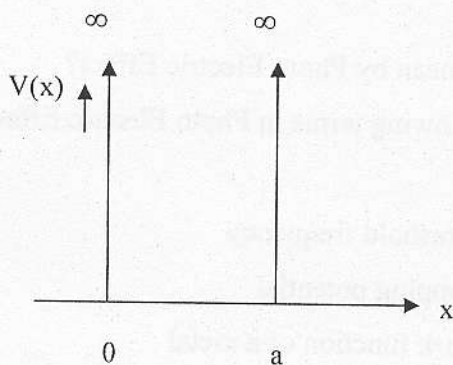
- (i) The stopping potential
- (ii) The kinetic energy of the fastest electron
- (iii) Threshold wavelength.

3. What is Compton effect?

Prove that, $\Delta\lambda = \frac{h}{m_0c}(1 - \cos\phi)$, where the symbols have their usual meanings.

In Compton scattering the incident photons have wavelength $3 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$. Calculate wavelength of scattered radiation if they are viewed at an angle of 60° to the direction of incidence.

4. Write down the time independent Schrödinger equation in a rectangular Cartesian coordinate system, for a particle of mass m and the energy E moving in a potential well. A particle of mass m and the energy E moves inside a potential well $V(x)$ as shown in the figure.



$$V(x) = 0 \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq a,$$

$$V(x) = \infty \text{ for } x < 0, \text{ and } x > a.$$

- (i) Write down the time independent Schrödinger equation for the motion of the particle.
- (ii) State clearly the boundary conditions and the normalization condition for the wave function.
- (iii) Using the above conditions, show that the wave function of the particle is,

$$\Psi = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}\right)x.$$