

# SOLUTIONS MANUAL

## CHAPTER 1

1. The energy contained in a volume  $dV$  is

$$U(\nu, T)dV = U(\nu, T)r^2 dr \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$$

when the geometry is that shown in the figure. The energy from this source that emerges through a hole of area  $dA$  is

$$dE(\nu, T) = U(\nu, T)dV \frac{dA \cos \theta}{4\pi r^2}$$

The total energy emitted is

$$\begin{aligned} dE(\nu, T) &= \int_0^{c\Delta t} dr \int_0^{\pi/2} d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi U(\nu, T) \sin \theta \cos \theta \frac{dA}{4\pi} \\ &= \frac{dA}{4\pi} 2\pi c \Delta t U(\nu, T) \int_0^{\pi/2} d\theta \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ &= \frac{1}{4} c \Delta t dA U(\nu, T) \end{aligned}$$

By definition of the emissivity, this is equal to  $E \Delta t dA$ . Hence

$$E(\nu, T) = \frac{c}{4} U(\nu, T)$$

2. We have

$$w(\lambda, T) = U(\nu, T) |d\nu / d\lambda| = U\left(\frac{c}{\lambda}\right) \frac{c}{\lambda^2} = \frac{8\pi hc}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{e^{hc/\lambda kT} - 1}$$

This density will be maximal when  $dw(\lambda, T) / d\lambda = 0$ . What we need is

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{e^{A/\lambda} - 1} \right) = \left( -5 \frac{1}{\lambda^6} - \frac{1}{\lambda^5} \frac{e^{A/\lambda}}{e^{A/\lambda} - 1} \left( -\frac{A}{\lambda^2} \right) \right) \frac{1}{e^{A/\lambda} - 1} = 0$$

Where  $A = hc / kT$ . The above implies that with  $x = A / \lambda$ , we must have

$$5 - x = 5e^{-x}$$

A solution of this is  $x = 4.965$  so that

$$\lambda_{max} T = \frac{hc}{4.965k} = 2.898 \times 10^{-3} m$$

In example 1.1 we were given an estimate of the sun's surface temperature as 6000 K. From this we get

$$\lambda_{max}^{sun} = \frac{28.98 \times 10^{-4} mK}{6 \times 10^3 K} = 4.83 \times 10^{-7} m = 483 nm$$

3. The relationship is

$$h\nu = K + W$$

where K is the electron kinetic energy and W is the work function. Here

$$h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{(6.626 \times 10^{-34} Js)(3 \times 10^8 m/s)}{350 \times 10^{-9} m} = 5.68 \times 10^{-19} J = 3.55 eV$$

With K = 1.60 eV, we get W = 1.95 eV

4. We use

$$\frac{hc}{\lambda_1} - \frac{hc}{\lambda_2} = K_1 - K_2$$

since W cancels. From this we get

$$\begin{aligned} h &= \frac{1}{c} \frac{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1} (K_1 - K_2) = \\ &= \frac{(200 \times 10^{-9} m)(258 \times 10^{-9} m)}{(3 \times 10^8 m/s)(58 \times 10^{-9} m)} \times (2.3 - 0.9) eV \times (1.60 \times 10^{-19} J/eV) \\ &= 6.64 \times 10^{-34} Js \end{aligned}$$

5. The maximum energy loss for the photon occurs in a head-on collision, with the photon scattered backwards. Let the incident photon energy be  $h\nu$ , and the backward-scattered photon energy be  $h\nu'$ . Let the energy of the recoiling proton be E. Then its recoil momentum is obtained from  $E = \sqrt{p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4}$ . The energy conservation equation reads

$$h\nu + mc^2 = h\nu' + E$$

and the momentum conservation equation reads

$$\frac{h\nu}{c} = -\frac{h\nu'}{c} + p$$

that is

$$h\nu = -h\nu' + pc$$

We get  $E + pc - mc^2 = 2h\nu$  from which it follows that

$$p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4 = (2h\nu - pc + mc^2)^2$$

so that

$$pc = \frac{4h^2 \nu^2 + 4h\nu mc^2}{4h\nu + 2mc^2}$$

The energy loss for the photon is the kinetic energy of the proton  $K = E - mc^2$ . Now  $h\nu = 100 \text{ MeV}$  and  $mc^2 = 938 \text{ MeV}$ , so that

$$pc = 182 \text{ MeV}$$

and

$$E - mc^2 = K = 17.6 \text{ MeV}$$

6. Let  $h\nu$  be the incident photon energy,  $h\nu'$  the final photon energy and  $p$  the outgoing electron momentum. Energy conservation reads

$$h\nu + mc^2 = h\nu' + \sqrt{p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4}$$

We write the equation for momentum conservation, assuming that the initial photon moves in the  $x$ -direction and the final photon in the  $y$ -direction. When multiplied by  $c$  it reads

$$\mathbf{i}(h\nu) = \mathbf{j}(h\nu') + (\mathbf{i}p_x c + \mathbf{j}p_y c)$$

Hence  $p_x c = h\nu$ ,  $p_y c = -h\nu'$ . We use this to rewrite the energy conservation equation as follows:

$$(h\nu + mc^2 - h\nu')^2 = m^2 c^4 + c^2(p_x^2 + p_y^2) = m^2 c^4 + (h\nu)^2 + (h\nu')^2$$

From this we get

$$h\nu' = h\nu \left( \frac{mc^2}{h\nu + mc^2} \right)$$

We may use this to calculate the kinetic energy of the electron

$$K = h\nu - h\nu' = h\nu \left( 1 - \frac{mc^2}{h\nu + mc^2} \right) = h\nu \frac{h\nu}{h\nu + mc^2}$$

$$= \frac{(100\text{keV})^2}{100\text{keV} + 510\text{keV}} = 16.4\text{keV}$$

Also

$$\mathbf{pc} = \mathbf{i}(100\text{keV}) + \mathbf{j}(-83.6\text{keV})$$

which gives the direction of the recoiling electron.

7. The photon energy is

$$h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{(6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J.s})(3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})}{3 \times 10^6 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}} = 6.63 \times 10^{-17} \text{ J}$$

$$= \frac{6.63 \times 10^{-17} \text{ J}}{1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J/eV}} = 4.14 \times 10^{-4} \text{ MeV}$$

The momentum conservation for collinear motion (the collision is head on for maximum energy loss), when squared, reads

$$\left( \frac{h\nu}{c} \right)^2 + p^2 + 2 \left( \frac{h\nu}{c} \right) p \eta_i = \left( \frac{h\nu'}{c} \right)^2 + p'^2 + 2 \left( \frac{h\nu'}{c} \right) p' \eta_f$$

Here  $\eta_i = \pm 1$ , with the upper sign corresponding to the photon and the electron moving in the same/opposite direction, and similarly for  $\eta_f$ . When this is multiplied by  $c^2$  we get

$$(h\nu)^2 + (pc)^2 + 2(h\nu)pc\eta_i = (h\nu')^2 + (p'c)^2 + 2(h\nu')p'c\eta_f$$

The square of the energy conservation equation, with  $E$  expressed in terms of momentum and mass reads

$$(h\nu)^2 + (pc)^2 + m^2c^4 + 2Eh\nu = (h\nu')^2 + (p'c)^2 + m^2c^4 + 2E'h\nu'$$

After we cancel the mass terms and subtracting, we get

$$h\nu(E - \eta_i pc) = h\nu'(E' - \eta_f p'c)$$

From this can calculate  $h\nu'$  and rewrite the energy conservation law in the form

$$E - E' = h\nu \left( \frac{E - \eta_i pc}{E' - p'c \eta_f} - 1 \right)$$

The energy loss is largest if  $\eta_i = -1$ ;  $\eta_f = 1$ . Assuming that the final electron momentum is

not very close to zero, we can write  $E + pc = 2E$  and  $E' - p'c = \frac{(mc^2)^2}{2E'}$  so that

$$E - E' = h\nu \left( \frac{2E \times 2E'}{(mc^2)^2} \right)$$

It follows that  $\frac{1}{E'} = \frac{1}{E} + 16h\nu$  with everything expressed in MeV. This leads to  $E' = (100/1.64) = 61 \text{ MeV}$  and the energy loss is 39 MeV.

8. We have  $\lambda' = 0.035 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$ , to be inserted into

$$\lambda' - \lambda = \frac{h}{m_e c} (1 - \cos 60^\circ) = \frac{h}{2m_e c} = \frac{6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J.s}}{2 \times (0.9 \times 10^{-30} \text{ kg})(3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})} = 1.23 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}$$

Therefore  $\lambda = \lambda' = (3.50 - 1.23) \times 10^{-12} \text{ m} = 2.3 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}$ .

The energy of the X-ray photon is therefore

$$h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{(6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J.s})(3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})}{(2.3 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m})(1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J/eV})} = 5.4 \times 10^5 \text{ eV}$$

9. With the nucleus initially at rest, the recoil momentum of the nucleus must be equal and opposite to that of the emitted photon. We therefore have its magnitude given by  $p = h\nu/c$ , where  $h\nu = 6.2 \text{ MeV}$ . The recoil energy is

$$E = \frac{p^2}{2M} = h\nu \frac{h\nu}{2Mc^2} = (6.2 \text{ MeV}) \frac{6.2 \text{ MeV}}{2 \times 14 \times (940 \text{ MeV})} = 1.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ MeV}$$

10. The formula  $\lambda = 2a \sin \theta / n$  implies that  $\lambda / \sin \theta \leq 2a / 3$ . Since  $\lambda = h/p$  this leads to  $p \geq 3h / 2a \sin \theta$ , which implies that the kinetic energy obeys

$$K = \frac{p^2}{2m} \geq \frac{9h^2}{8ma^2 \sin^2 \theta}$$

Thus the minimum energy for electrons is

$$K = \frac{9(6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J.s})^2}{8(0.9 \times 10^{-30} \text{ kg})(0.32 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})^2 (1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J/eV})} = 3.35 \text{ eV}$$

For Helium atoms the mass is  $4(1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}) / (0.9 \times 10^{-30} \text{ kg}) = 7.42 \times 10^3$  larger, so that

$$K = \frac{33.5 \text{ eV}}{7.42 \times 10^3} = 4.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$$

11. We use  $K = \frac{p^2}{2m} = \frac{h^2}{2m\lambda^2}$  with  $\lambda = 15 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$  to get

$$K = \frac{(6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J.s})^2}{2(0.9 \times 10^{-30} \text{ kg})(15 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})^2 (1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J / eV})} = 6.78 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$$

For  $\lambda = 0.5 \text{ nm}$ , the wavelength is 30 times smaller, so that the energy is 900 times larger. Thus  $K = 6.10 \text{ eV}$ .

12. For a circular orbit of radius  $r$ , the circumference is  $2\pi r$ . If  $n$  wavelengths  $\lambda$  are to fit into the orbit, we must have  $2\pi r = n\lambda = nh/p$ . We therefore get the condition

$$pr = nh / 2\pi = n\hbar$$

which is just the condition that the angular momentum in a circular orbit is an integer in units of  $\hbar$ .

13. We have  $a = n\lambda / 2 \sin \theta$ . For  $n = 1$ ,  $\lambda = 0.5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$  and  $\theta = 5^\circ$ . we get  $a = 2.87 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$ . For  $n = 2$ , we require  $\sin \theta_2 = 2 \sin \theta_1$ . Since the angles are very small,  $\theta_2 = 2\theta_1$ . So that the angle is  $10^\circ$ .

14. The relation  $F = ma$  leads to  $mv^2/r = m\omega r$  that is,  $v = \omega r$ . The angular momentum quantization condition is  $mvr = n\hbar$ , which leads to  $m\omega r^2 = n\hbar$ . The total energy is therefore

$$E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 r^2 = m\omega^2 r^2 = n\hbar\omega$$

The analog of the Rydberg formula is

$$\nu(n \rightarrow n') = \frac{E_n - E_{n'}}{h} = \frac{\hbar\omega(n - n')}{h} = (n - n')\frac{\omega}{2\pi}$$

The frequency of radiation in the classical limit is just the frequency of rotation  $\nu_{cl} = \omega / 2\pi$  which agrees with the quantum frequency when  $n - n' = 1$ . When the selection rule  $\Delta n = 1$  is satisfied, then the classical and quantum frequencies are the same for all  $n$ .

**15.** With  $V(r) = V_0 (r/a)^k$ , the equation describing circular motion is

$$m \frac{v^2}{r} = \left| \frac{dV}{dr} \right| = \frac{1}{r} k V_0 \left( \frac{r}{a} \right)^k$$

so that

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{k V_0}{m}} \left( \frac{r}{a} \right)^{k/2}$$

The angular momentum quantization condition  $mvr = n\hbar$  reads

$$\sqrt{m a^2 k V_0} \left( \frac{r}{a} \right)^{\frac{k+2}{2}} = n\hbar$$

We may use the result of this and the previous equation to calculate

$$E = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 + V_0 \left( \frac{r}{a} \right)^k = \left( \frac{1}{2} k + 1 \right) V_0 \left( \frac{r}{a} \right)^k = \left( \frac{1}{2} k + 1 \right) V_0 \left[ \frac{n^2 \hbar^2}{m a^2 k V_0} \right]^{\frac{k}{k+2}}$$

In the limit of  $k \gg 1$ , we get

$$E \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} (k V_0)^{\frac{2}{k+2}} \left[ \frac{\hbar^2}{m a^2} \right]^{\frac{k}{k+2}} (n^2)^{\frac{k}{k+2}} \rightarrow \frac{\hbar^2}{2 m a^2} n^2$$

Note that  $V_0$  drops out of the result. This makes sense if one looks at a picture of the potential in the limit of large  $k$ . For  $r < a$  the potential is effectively zero. For  $r > a$  it is effectively infinite, simulating a box with infinite walls. The presence of  $V_0$  is there to provide something with the dimensions of an energy. In the limit of the infinite box *with the quantum condition* there is no physical meaning to  $V_0$  and the energy scale is provided by  $\hbar^2 / 2 m a^2$ .

**16.** The condition  $L = n\hbar$  implies that

$$E = \frac{n^2 \hbar^2}{2I}$$

In a transition from  $n_1$  to  $n_2$  the Bohr rule implies that the frequency of the radiation is given

$$\nu_{12} = \frac{E_1 - E_2}{h} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2Ih} (n_1^2 - n_2^2) = \frac{\hbar}{4\pi I} (n_1^2 - n_2^2)$$

Let  $n_1 = n_2 + \Delta n$ . Then in the limit of large  $n$  we have  $(n_1^2 - n_2^2) \rightarrow 2n_2 \Delta n$ , so that

$$\nu_{12} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\hbar n_2}{I} \Delta n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{L}{I} \Delta n$$

Classically the radiation frequency is the frequency of rotation which is  $\omega = L/I$ , i.e.

$$\nu_{cl} = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \frac{L}{2\pi I}$$

We see that this is equal to  $\nu_{12}$  when  $\Delta n = 1$ .

**17.** The energy gap between low-lying levels of rotational spectra is of the order of  $\hbar^2 / I = (1/2\pi) \hbar^2 / MR^2$ , where  $M$  is the reduced mass of the two nuclei, and  $R$  is their separation. (Equivalently we can take  $2 \times m(R/2)^2 = MR^2$ ). Thus

$$h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \hbar \frac{\hbar}{MR^2}$$

This implies that

$$R = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar \lambda}{2\pi M c}} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar \lambda}{\pi m c}} = \sqrt{\frac{(1.05 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s})(10^{-3} \text{ m})}{\pi (1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg})(3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})}} = 26 \text{ nm}$$