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### **Required physical constants:**

Planck's constant: Velocity of light: Energy of the electron at rest:  $m_{\rm e}c^2 = 0.5 \, {\rm MeV}$ Energy of the proton at rest: Rydberg constant:

 $h = 4.14 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ eVs}$  $c = 3.10^8 \text{ m/s}$  $m_{\rm p}c^2 = 938.3 \,{\rm MeV}$  $R_v = 13.6 \text{ eV}$ 

Problem	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Points	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4

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Lorentz-transformation



b) The energy of the accelerated electrons is  $E = E_{kin} + m_e c^2 = eU + m_e c^2 = 1,5$  MeV The momentum of the electrons is

$$E^{2} = c^{2}P^{2} + (m_{e}c^{2})^{2} \rightarrow P = \frac{1}{c}\sqrt{E^{2} - (m_{e}c^{2})^{2}} = \sqrt{1,5^{2} - 0,5^{2}} \text{ MeV/c} = \sqrt{2} \text{ MeV/c}$$

c) The transformation of energy and momentum: relativistic four vectors transform according to the Lorentz transformation. The four vectors of time and space and of energy and momentum are  $(ct, \vec{r})$  and  $(E, c\vec{P})$ . Therefore one gets with

$$x' = \gamma \left( x - \frac{v}{c}(ct) \right)$$
  
the Lorentz transformation for *E* and *P*:  
$$ct' = \gamma \left( ct - \frac{v}{c}x \right)$$
  
$$E' = \gamma \left( c - v P_x \right)$$

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d) The momentum is with  $\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 0.5^2}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$ 

$$cP'_{x} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \left( \sqrt{2} - 0.5 \cdot 1.5 \right) \text{ MeV} = 0.77 \text{ MeV}$$
 .

The energy becomes

$$E = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} (1, 5 - 0, 5 \cdot \sqrt{2})$$
 MeV = 0,91 MeV

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- a) The energy levels of the He<sup>+</sup> ion are:  $E_n = -13,6 \text{ eV} \frac{Z^2}{n^2} = -13,6 \text{ eV} \frac{2^2}{n^2} = -54,4 \text{ eV} \frac{1}{n^2}$ The energy difference between the 1<sup>st</sup> excited state and the ground state is

$$\Delta E_{12} = -54, 4 \text{ eV}\left(\frac{1}{2^2} - 1\right) = 40, 8 \text{ eV},$$

and between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> excited state

$$\Delta E_{23} = -54,4 \text{ eV}\left(\frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{2^2}\right) = 7,6 \text{ eV}$$

b) The relativistic Doppler-effect for the approaching ion

$$v_{+} = v_0 \sqrt{\frac{c+v}{c-v}} ,$$

and the Doppler-effect for the receding ion

$$v_{-} = v_{0} \sqrt{\frac{c - v}{c + v}}$$

C)

$$\Delta E_{12} = h \cdot v_0 \sqrt{\frac{c+v}{c-v}}$$
  

$$\Delta E_{23} = h \cdot v_0 \sqrt{\frac{c-v}{c+v}} = \frac{(h \cdot v_0)^2}{\Delta E_{12}}$$
  

$$\rightarrow v_0 = \frac{1}{h} \sqrt{\Delta E_{12} \cdot \Delta E_{23}} = \frac{1}{h} \sqrt{40.8 \cdot 7.6} \text{ eV} = \frac{17.6 \text{ eV}}{h} = 4.25 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ Hz}$$

d) Velocity of the He<sup>+</sup> ion:

$$\frac{\Delta E_{12}}{h \cdot v_0} = \sqrt{\frac{c + v}{c - v}} \rightarrow \left(\frac{\Delta E_{12}}{h \cdot v_0}\right)^2 = \frac{c + v}{c - v}$$
$$\rightarrow \left(\frac{\Delta E_{12}}{h \cdot v_0}\right)^2 (c - v) = c + v \rightarrow \left(\left(\frac{\Delta E_{12}}{h \cdot v_0}\right)^2 - 1\right)c = v\left(\left(\frac{\Delta E_{12}}{h \cdot v_0}\right)^2 + 1\right)$$
$$\rightarrow v = c \frac{\left(\left(\frac{\Delta E_{12}}{h \cdot v_0}\right)^2 - 1\right)}{\left(\left(\frac{\Delta E_{12}}{h \cdot v_0}\right)^2 + 1\right)} = c \frac{\left(\frac{40,8}{17,6}\right)^2 - 1}{\left(\frac{40,8}{17,6}\right)^2 + 1} = 0,69 \cdot c$$

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- a)  $E_{kin} \propto v$   $(E_{kin} = h \cdot v W_A)$
- b) The kinetic energy of the photo electrons is independent of the intensity of the light wave.
   No photo electrons can be omitted above a cortain threshold wave length

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c) 
$$E = h \cdot \frac{c}{\lambda} = \frac{4,14 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ eVs} \cdot 3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{200 \text{ nm}} = 6,2 \text{ eV} \rightarrow \text{the work function is 5 eV}$$

d) The threshold wavelength is:  $\lambda_0 = \frac{h \cdot c}{E} = \frac{4.14 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ eVs} \cdot 3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{5 \text{ eV}} = 248 \text{ nm}$ 

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- a) The time-dependent Schrödinger equation is

$$i\hbar\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial t} = \hat{H}\psi$$

with the Hamilton operator

$$\hat{H} = -\frac{\hat{\vec{P}}^2}{2m_0} + V(\vec{r}) = -\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m_0} + V(\vec{r})$$

b) Die time-independent Schrödinger equation is

$$E\psi = \hat{H}\psi$$

c) The Schrödinger equation for an electron in the Coulomb-potential is

$$i\hbar\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial t} = \left(-\frac{\hbar^2\nabla^2}{2m_0} - \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0}\frac{e^2}{r}\right)\psi$$

(with  $\frac{1}{m_0} = \frac{1}{m_{\text{Elektron}}} + \frac{1}{m_{\text{Proton}}}$ )

d) The Schrödinger equation is

$$E\psi = \left(-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m_0} - \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0}\frac{e^2}{r} - \frac{\lambda}{\hbar^2}\hat{\vec{\ell}}\cdot\hat{\vec{s}} + \frac{\mu_B}{\hbar}(\hat{\vec{\ell}} + 2\hat{\vec{s}})\vec{B}\right)\psi$$

The Schrödinger equation additionally includes the spin-orbit and the Zeeman interaction

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- a) The angular momentum in classical physics is defined as  $\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{P}$  or simply  $L = r \cdot m \cdot v$ .
- b) In quantum mechanics the angular momentum is defined by the eigenvalue equations for the orbital angular momentum

$$\hat{L}^{2} Y_{\ell,m}(\theta,\varphi) = \ell (\ell+1) \hbar^{2} Y_{\ell,m}(\theta,\varphi)$$
$$\hat{L}_{z} Y_{\ell,m}(\theta,\varphi) = m\hbar Y_{\ell,m}(\theta,\varphi)$$

or more general for the total angular momentum

$$\hat{J}^{2} | J, M \rangle = J (J + 1) \hbar^{2} | J, M \rangle$$
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c) There are integer angular momentum values  $\ell = 0, 1, 2, ...$  and  $|m| = 0, 1 ... \leq \ell$  e.g. for the orbital angular momentum and for half integer angular momentum values

$$J = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \dots$$
 and  $|M| = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \dots \leq J$ .

- d) e.g. for  $\hat{J} = \hat{L} + \hat{S}$ : *J* takes the values  $|L S|, |L S| + 1, \dots, L + S$
- e) With the classical angular momentum  $L = r \cdot m_{\rho} \cdot v$  and  $r = \frac{d}{2}$  one gets  $L = 2 \cdot \frac{d}{2} m_{\rho} v = dm_{\rho} v$ . With  $\ell = 1: v = \frac{\hbar \sqrt{\ell (\ell + 1)}}{dm_{\rho}} = \frac{4.14 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ eVs} \cdot \sqrt{2} \cdot (3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s})^2}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot 75 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ m} \cdot 938.3 \cdot 10^6 \text{ eV}} = 1192 \text{ m/s}$

or with 
$$m = 1$$
:  $v = \frac{\hbar}{dm_p} = \frac{4,14 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ eVs} \cdot (3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s})^2}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot 75 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ m} \cdot 938, 3 \cdot 10^6 \text{ eV}} = \frac{1192 \text{ m/s}}{\sqrt{2}} = 843 \text{ m/s}$ 

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- a) With Bragg's law  $n\lambda = 2d\sin\theta_n$

$$\sin \theta_n = \frac{n\lambda}{2d} = n \frac{4 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ m}}{2 \cdot 561 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ m}} = n \cdot 0,36.$$

Only the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> order can be observed.

The angles of deflection are  $2\theta_1 = 41,8^\circ$  und  $2\theta_2 = 91^\circ$ .

b) The points of the crystal lattice is defined by  $\vec{R} = n_1 \vec{a}_1 + n_2 \vec{a}_2 + n_3 \vec{a}_3$ The points of the reciprocal lattice are  $\vec{K} = h\vec{b}_1 + k\vec{b}_2 + \ell\vec{b}_3$  and defined be the condition  $\exp(i\vec{K}\vec{R}) = 1$  or  $\vec{K}\vec{R} = 2\pi \cdot m$ . Since NaCl is cubic the lattice parameter of the reciprocal lattice is

$$b = \frac{2\pi}{a} = \frac{2\pi}{561 \cdot 10^{-12}} = 1,12 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ m}^{-1}$$

c) The Laue condition for scattering is

$$\vec{k} - \vec{k}' = \vec{K}$$

 $\vec{k}$ : wave vector of the incoming wave and  $\vec{k}'$  wave vector of the scattered wave.

d) The center of the Ewald sphere is the starting point of vector  $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{k}$  points to a point of the reciprocal lattice. All points of the reciprocal lattice on the Ewald sphere connected with the center of the sphere fulfill the Laue condition.



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- a) With Hund's rule one gets



Since the spin-orbit coupling is positive the total angular momentum of the ground state is J = 0.

b) The spin-orbit coupling is  $\hat{H}_{LS} = \frac{\lambda}{\hbar^2} \hat{\vec{L}} \cdot \hat{\vec{S}}$ . With  $\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$  and  $\vec{J}^2 = \vec{L}^2 + 2\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} + \vec{S}^2$  one gets

$$\left\langle \hat{H}_{LS} \right\rangle = \frac{\lambda}{2} \left( J \left( J + 1 \right) - L \left( L + 1 \right) - S \left( S + 1 \right) \right)$$
  
 $\rightarrow E_J = 120 \text{ cm}^{-1} \left( J \left( J + 1 \right) - 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 2 \right)$   
 $\rightarrow E_6 - E_0 = 120 \text{ cm}^{-1} \left( 6 \cdot 7 \right) = 5040 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ 

- c) According to the rule for the coupling of angular momenta  $|L-S| \le J \le L+S$ , *J* can take the values 0,1,2,3,4,5,6 and there are 7 *J* states. Each *J* state has 2J+1 *m* states, so that there is a total of 1+3+5+7+9+11+13=49 angular momentum states.
- b) *L* and *S* are the same as for the electron configuration, but the spin-orbit coupling is negative i.e.  $\lambda < 0$ . The total angular momentum of the ground state is therefore J = 6.

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- a)

Gravitation, electromagnetic interaction, weak force and strong force.

- b) The exchange particles are Gravitation: Graviton (not detected) Electromagnetic interaction: Photons Weak interaction:  $Z^0, W^{\pm}$  – Bosons Strong interaction: Gluons
- c) The elementary particles forming the proton and the neutron are the up- and down-quarks. The electric charge is  $+\frac{2}{3}$  for the up-quark and  $-\frac{1}{3}$  for the down-quark.
- d) The nuclear force depends on the orientation of the nucleon spin. A parallel orientation leads to a strong nuclear force whereas an anti parallel orientation leads to a weak nuclear force. Since the nucleons are Fermi particles they can occupy a nuclear quantum state only once. The mixing of protons and neutrons enables the parallel orientation of nucleons in the same nuclear state. This leads to a strong nuclear force and stable nuclei.