

Modern Physics

Start reading chapter 6 by Friday, November 9. (Remember that November 12th is a holiday.) The important sections are 1-5 and 7-8.

Homework Assignment 7: Due Friday, November 16.

1. For an electron of kinetic energy 10eV, what is the de Broglie wavelength?
2. A neutron has a de Broglie wavelength of 0.01nm
 - a) What is its kinetic energy in eV?
 - b) What is its speed?
3. What is the de Broglie wavelength of a 0.1g mass with speed of 10 $\mu\text{m/s}$? (For this problem you may want to use “normal” MKS units.)
4. An electromagnetic pulse of “frequency” 10^{12}Hz has a duration of 10^{-8}s . What range of frequencies, Δf , is in the pulse?
5. **If** the $n=2$ level in hydrogen has a lifetime of 10^{-9}s (I’m making up this number.),
 - a) What would be the uncertainty in the energy of that level, ΔE , in electron volts?
 - b) How does that compare to the energy of the photon emitted when the electron in the $n=2$ level goes to the $n=1$ level?
6. What would the “minimum” KE of an electron be if it were confined in a region 0.2nm in length? Again, find it in eV. (Treat this as a one-dimensional problem.)
7. What is the minimum KE, in eV or MeV, of a proton confined in a nucleus of dimension $2 \times 10^{-15}\text{m}$? (Treat this as a one-dimensional problem.)
8. A system has four energy levels, $E_0 = -9.0\text{eV}$, $E_1 = -4.0\text{eV}$ and $E_2 = -2.0\text{eV}$ and finally $E_3 = -0.80\text{eV}$. What wavelengths of electromagnetic radiation would you expect to see coming from this system if it had been excited out of the ground state E_0 to the higher levels?
9. A certain system emits electromagnetic radiation of wavelengths $\lambda_1 = 310\text{nm}$, $\lambda_2 = 207\text{nm}$ and $\lambda_3 = 124\text{nm}$. If the ground state is -12eV , what are the other energy levels? (Assume these are the only wavelengths it emits.)