

The Atom

## Rutherford's Gold Foil Exp.:

source of  $\alpha$ -rays

gold foil

shield detector

Expected:  
 $\alpha$ -rays go through foil

### Results

Conclusion:

- must have a very dense, very small, positive area in the atom → the nucleus
- $\sim 99\%$  did go through
- $\sim 1\%$  slight deflection
- a few reflected straight back!

"Raisin-bun" model is wrong

Later: nucleus composed of protons & neutrons

The physics of Rutherford's experiment:

$$F_e = \frac{Kq_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

Also  $E_e = \frac{Kq_1 q_2}{r}$

Ex. How close will an  $\alpha$ -particle get to the centre of a  $\text{Au}$  nucleus if the nucleus is moving at  $1 \times 10^6 \text{ m/s}$ ?  $\alpha$ -particle

(Q)  $E_i = E_k$

$$\therefore E_k = E_e$$

$$\frac{1}{2} m v^2 = \frac{Kq_1 q_2}{r}$$

$$r = \frac{2 K q_1 q_2}{m v}$$

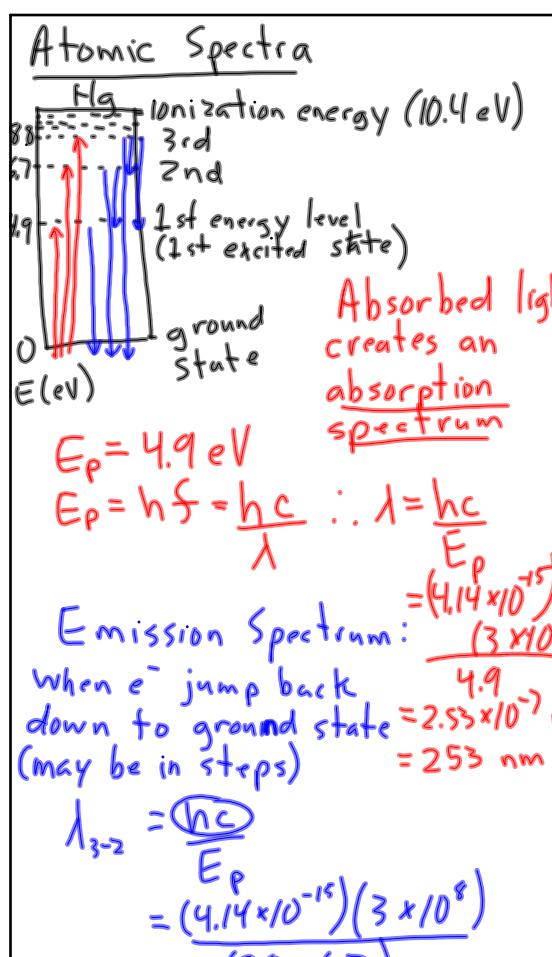
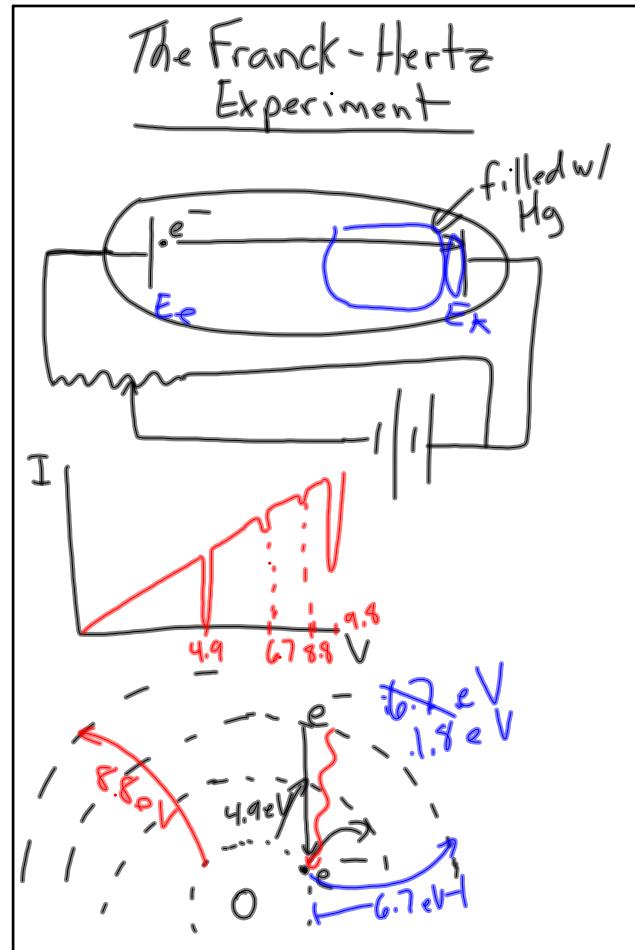
$$r = \frac{(6.66 \times 10^{-32})}{(1 \times 10^6)^2} \text{ m}$$

$$= 1.09 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}$$

$$q_1 = 2+ \\ = 2(1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}) \\ = 3.204 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

$$q_2 = 79+ \\ = 79(1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}) \\ = 1.266 \times 10^{-17} \text{ C}$$

$$E_f = E_0 \\ M_{\text{Au}} = 4 \times 10^{27} \text{ kg} \\ = 4(1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})^2 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}$$



Energy Levels of the Hydrogen Atom

$$E_n = E_K + E_e$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} m_e V_n^2 + \underline{K q_1 q_2}$$

$$\text{but } q_1 = e, q_2 = -e$$

$$\therefore E_n = \frac{1}{2} m_e V_n^2 - \frac{Ke^2}{r_n} \quad (0)$$

Also  $F_c = F_e$

$$\frac{m_e V_n^2}{r_n} = \frac{Ke^2}{r_n}$$

$$\therefore V_n^2 = \frac{Ke^2}{m_e r_n} \quad (1)$$

Sub (1) into (0)

$$E_n = \frac{1}{2} m_e \left( \frac{Ke^2}{m_e r_n} \right) - \frac{Ke^2}{r_n}$$

$$E_n = -\frac{Ke^2}{2 r_n} \quad (2)$$

According to quantum theory only specific  $E$  levels are possible  $\therefore$  only specific  $r$  are possible

Bohr's theory: possible  $E$  levels are related to the deBroglie of the  $e^-$

$\therefore$  the circumference of the orbit is  $n\lambda_e$

$$\therefore 2\pi r_n = n\lambda_e$$

Recall  $\rho = \frac{h}{\lambda} \therefore \lambda_e = \frac{h}{m_e V_n}$

$$2\pi r_n = \frac{n h}{m_e V_n}$$

$$r_n = \frac{n h}{2\pi m_e V_n} \quad (\text{squar})$$

$$r_n^2 = \frac{n^2 h^2}{4\pi^2 m_e^2 V_n^2} \quad (\text{sub})$$

$$= \frac{n^2 h^2}{4\pi^2 m_e^2 \left( \frac{Ke^2}{m_e r_n} \right)}$$

$$r_n = \frac{n^2 h^2 r_n}{4\pi^2 m_e K e^2} \quad (\cancel{r_n})$$

Sub into (2)

$$E_n = -\frac{Ke^2}{2 r_n} = -\frac{Ke^2}{2 \left( \frac{n^2 h^2}{4\pi^2 m_e} \right)} = -\frac{Ke^2 (2\pi^2)}{n^2 h^2}$$

$$n_0 = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$$

$$k = 9 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{N m}^2}{\text{C}^2}$$

$$e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

$$h = 1.6 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$$

Heisenberg's Uncertainty Principle

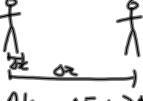
↳ There is a certain amount of uncertainty in every measured value

$\Delta x \rightarrow$  uncertainty in position

$x = 1.5 \text{ m}$        $1.55 \text{ m}$   
 $\therefore \Delta x = 0.1 \text{ m}$        $1.45 \text{ m}$

Heisenberg's Uncertainty Principle

$\Delta x \Delta p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2\pi} \quad (\hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi})$



Also  $\Delta E \Delta t \geq \frac{\hbar}{2\pi}$

Eg. What is the uncertainty in the position of an electron if its speed is measured to be  $5.05 \times 10^6 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$ ?

$m = 9.109 389 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$        $\frac{5.05}{2\pi} \text{ m}$   
 $\Delta v = 0.01 \times 10^6 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$   
 $= 1 \times 10^4 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$

$\Delta x \Delta p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2\pi}$

$\Delta x \Delta (mv) \geq \frac{\hbar}{2\pi}$

$\Delta x (m)v \geq \frac{\hbar}{2\pi}$

$\Delta x (9.109 389 \times 10^{-31}) (1 \times 10^4) \geq \frac{\hbar}{2\pi}$   
 $\Delta x (9.109 389 \times 10^{-31}) \geq 1.0$

$\Delta x \geq 1.16 \times 10^{-29} \text{ m}$   
 $\Delta x \geq 1 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}$

Probability



$$\Delta m = 1 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\Delta v = 1 \times 10^4 \quad \Delta p$$

$$m = 2.2 \times 10^{-5} \quad \begin{matrix} \rightarrow 2.15 \times 10^{-5} \\ \text{kg} \end{matrix}$$

$$v = 3.0 \times 10^5 \quad \begin{matrix} \rightarrow 2.25 \times 10^5 \\ \frac{m}{s} \rightarrow 3.05 \times 10^5 \end{matrix}$$

$$p = mv \rightarrow 6.3425 \text{ kg m/s} \quad \begin{matrix} \rightarrow 2.95 \times 10^5 \\ \rightarrow 6.8625 \text{ kg m/s} \end{matrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{matrix} \{ \\ \} \end{matrix} \right\} \Delta p = 0.52 \text{ kg m/s} = 0.5 \text{ kg m/s}$$

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