

- 1 Fig. 7.1 shows the three lowest energy levels of the hydrogen atom, labelled $n = 1$, 2 and 3 .

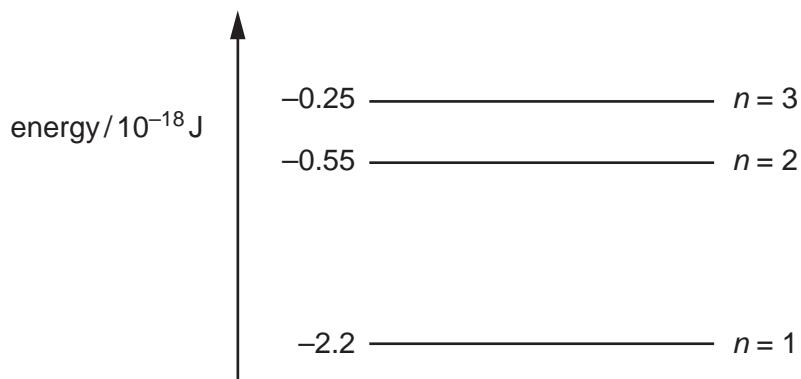


Fig. 7.1

- (a) (i) Explain why electron transitions between the energy levels can produce three different wavelengths of radiation. You may draw lines on Fig. 7.1 to illustrate your explanation.

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- (ii) The strong red line in the hydrogen spectrum has a wavelength of $6.56 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$.

- 1 Calculate the energy of the photon at this wavelength.

$$\text{energy} = \dots \text{J} [2]$$

- 2 Use Fig. 7.1 to identify the electron transition responsible for the spectral line of this wavelength.

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- (b) A parallel beam of light from a hydrogen lamp is incident on a diffraction grating. The first order red spectral line at 6.56×10^{-7} m is seen at an angle of 11.4° as shown in Fig. 7.2.

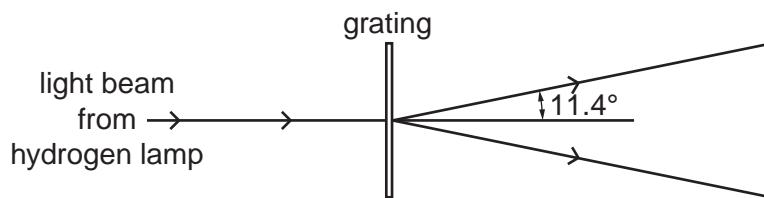


Fig. 7.2

(i) Calculate

1 the separation d of the lines on the grating

$$d = \dots \text{m} [3]$$

2 the number of lines per millimetre on the grating.

$$\text{number} = \dots \text{lines mm}^{-1} [1]$$

(ii) The hydrogen lamp also emits blue light at a wavelength of 4.86×10^{-7} m.

Draw rays on Fig. 7.2 to indicate roughly, that is without calculation, the direction of the **first** order blue spectral line as the rays leave the grating. [1]

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2 A photoelectric cell is an electronic device that can detect photons.

(a) Fig. 4.1 shows a cross-section through a simple photocell.

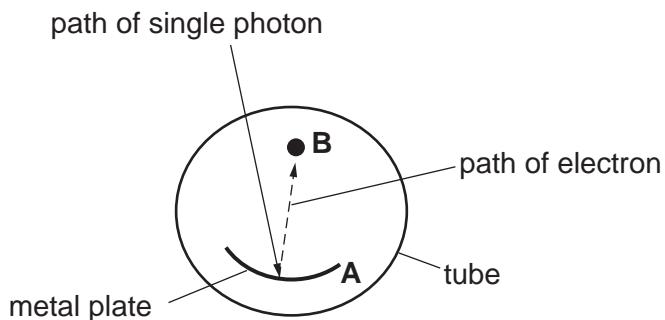


Fig. 4.1

A metal plate **A** is coated with potassium in an evacuated transparent tube. A photon entering the tube is absorbed by the plate, causing one electron to be released from the surface towards the collector rod **B**.

(i) State the name of this process.

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(ii) Potassium has a work function of 3.5×10^{-19} J.

1 Define the term *work function*.

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2 Calculate the threshold frequency of potassium.

threshold frequency = Hz [2]

(iii) The photon incident on plate **A** has a wavelength of 4.2×10^{-7} m. Show that its energy is about 5×10^{-19} J.

- (iv) Calculate the maximum kinetic energy of the electron emitted from the potassium surface of plate **A**.

maximum kinetic energy = J [2]

- (b) An electron is released with zero speed from plate **A**. It is accelerated from plate **A** through a potential difference of 12V to the metal rod **B** in Fig. 4.1.

- (i) 1 State the increase in kinetic energy of the electron in electronvolts (eV).

increase in k.e. = eV [1]

- 2 Show that this increase is about 2×10^{-18} J.

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- (ii) Calculate the speed of the electron as it hits rod **B**.

speed = ms^{-1} [3]

- (c) The photocell is connected to a 12V d.c. supply through a very sensitive ammeter. Light of wavelength 4.2×10^{-7} m shines on plate **A**. The plate absorbs 1.2×10^{-6} J of light energy every second. One per cent of the absorbed photons cause electrons to be emitted from the plate. Estimate the current in the circuit.

current = A [3]

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- 3 (a) A parallel beam of red light of wavelength 6.3×10^{-7} m from a laser is incident normally on a diffraction grating as shown in Fig. 6.1.

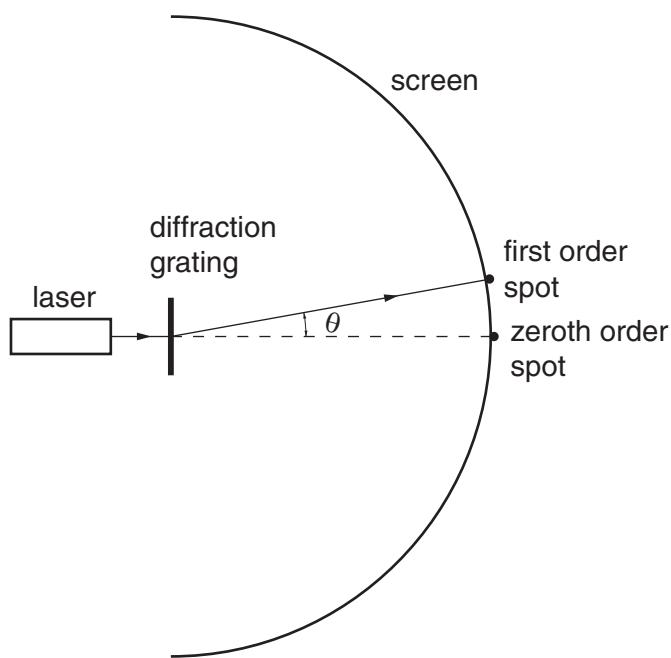


Fig. 6.1

Bright red spots are observed on the curved screen placed beyond the grating.

- (i) The diffraction grating has 300 lines per millimetre. Show that the separation d between adjacent lines of the grating is 3.3×10^{-6} m.

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- (ii) Calculate the angle θ at which the first order red spot is seen. This is the first spot away from the straight through position.

$$\theta = \dots \text{ degrees} [3]$$

- (iii) The screen curves around the full 180° in front of the grating. Explain why there are eleven bright red spots on the screen.

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(b) Calculate

- (i)** the energy of each photon of light emitted by the laser at a wavelength of 6.3×10^{-7} m

$$\text{energy} = \dots \text{ J} \quad [2]$$

- (ii)** the number of photons emitted each second to produce a power of 0.50 mW.

$$\text{number} = \dots \quad [2]$$

(c) (i) A beam of electrons in a vacuum can travel through a thin sheet of graphite perpendicular to the beam to produce a diffraction pattern of rings on a fluorescent screen beyond the graphite sheet. Explain why this pattern is produced.

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- (ii)** Calculate

- 1** the speed v of electrons with a de Broglie wavelength of 5.0×10^{-11} m

$$v = \dots \text{ ms}^{-1} \quad [2]$$

- 2** the potential difference V required to accelerate the electrons to this speed.

$$V = \dots \text{ V} \quad [3]$$