

Modern Physics

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Physical constants:

Avogadro's number: $N_a = 6.02 \times 10^{23}$ particles/mol

Coulomb constant: $k = 8.987 \times 10^9 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}^2/\text{C}^2$

Mass of electron: $m_e = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ Kg}$

Mass of unit: $u = 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ Kg}$

Speed of light: $c = 299792458 \text{ m/s}$

Fine structure constant: $\alpha = 7.297 \times 10^{-3}$

Permeability of free space: $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ N/A}^2$

Boltzmann's constant: $k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$

Fundamental charge: $e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$

Mass of proton: $M_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ Kg}$

Planck's constant: $h = 6.6 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}$

Constant of gravitation: $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}^2/\text{Kg}^2$

Gas constant: $R = 8.3 \text{ J/mol} \cdot \text{K}$

Problem 1 (30%) Describe the significance of the following terms:

- (A) Blackbody Radiation. (5%)
- (B) Photoelectric Effect. (5%)
- (C) Lamb Shift. (5%)
- (D) Bohr Magnetron. (5%)
- (E) Zero-point Energy. (5%)
- (F) Holography. (5%)

Problem 2 (15%)

- (A) In the Hall Effect experiment, a strip of copper 150 μm thick is placed in a magnetic field $B = 0.65 \text{ T}$ perpendicular to the plane of the strip, and a current $i = 23 \text{ A}$ is set up in the strip. The Hall potential measured is $V = 5.6 \mu\text{V}$. What would be the density charge carrier per atom? (Cu : $8.49 \times 10^{28} \text{ atoms/m}^3$) (10%)
- (B) Explain briefly the Quantum Hall Effect and the usage of this effect. (5%)

Problem 3 (20%)

- (A) The eigen-values of a diatomic molecular around its equilibrium position can be approximated by $E(v, J) = (v + \frac{1}{2})\hbar\omega + B_v J(J+1)$, where v and J are vibration and rotational quantum number, \hbar , ω and B_v are constants. Describe a simple model and the meaning of these constants (\hbar , ω and B_v) in your model to derive these eigen-values. (10%)
- (B) Estimate the ratio of energy contribution from the vibration and rotational energy. (10%)

(背面仍有題目,請繼續作答)

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Problem 4 (20%)

- (A) The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences award the Nobel Prize in Physics for 2001 jointly to Eric A. Cornell, Wolfgang Ketterle, Carl E. Wieman, for the achievement of Bose-Einstein condensation in dilute gases of alkali atoms, and for early fundamental studies of the properties of the condensates. What is Bose-Einstein condensation? (5%)
- (B) Fig. 4.1 (from web: <http://jilawww.colorado.edu/bec/>) shows the first achievement of Bose-Einstein condensation in ^{87}Rb atoms. It is a two-dimensional number density of atoms per unit velocity-space volume distributions of the trapped ^{87}Rb cloud for three runs with different amount of cooling.
- (i) Explain the key points of observing the Bose-Einstein condensation of ^{87}Rb atoms from this figure.
- (ii) If the density of the ^{87}Rb cloud is $n = 1 \times 10^{14}$ atoms/cm³, estimate the critical temperature of observing the Bose-Einstein condensation of ^{87}Rb atoms. (^{87}Rb : atomic mass 86.909 g/mole) (10%)

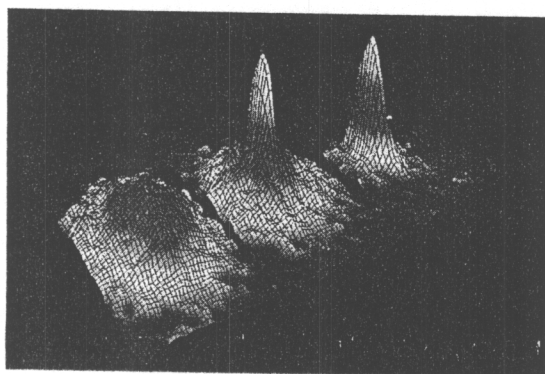


Fig. 4.1

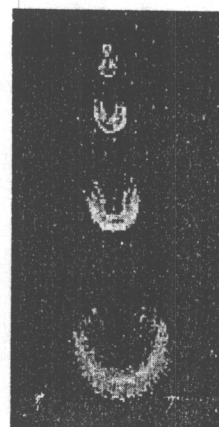


Fig. 4.2

- (C) Fig. 4.2 (from web: http://cua.mit.edu/ketterle_group/Nice_pics.htm) demonstrates the atom laser with Na condensate for the first time. What is atom laser? (5%)

Problem 5 (15%)

- (A) Using arguments concerning curvature, wavelength, and amplitude, sketch very carefully the wave function corresponding to a particle with energy E in the finite potential barrier shown in Fig. 5.1,

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} V_0 & \text{for } 0 < x < a \\ 0 & \text{for } 0 > x \text{ and } x > a \end{cases}, \text{ where } 0 < E < V_0. \text{ (10\%)}$$

- (B) Re-sketch the wave function if (i) $a \rightarrow 2a$, and (ii) $0 < V_0 < E$. (5%)

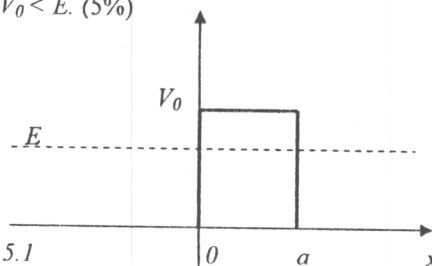


Fig. 5.1