

Above and below Wannier threshold ionization

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Abstract : The uniform, semiclassical wave function of Crothers [*J. Phys.* **B19** 463 (1986)] for the two outgoing electrons has been analytically continued to below and then back above the threshold energy. For the case of below threshold ionization [*Phys. Rev. Lett.* **79** 4996 (1997), *J. Phys.* **B31** 2153 (1998)] we calculate complex eigenenergies for doubly excited states of He using a complex Bohr-Sommerfeld quantization rule with at least one complex transition point. The real parts of the eigenvalues give the resonance energy positions of He^{-*} found to be in good agreement with the measurement. The imaginary part leads to a good scaling of the intensities. In the case of above threshold ionization we achieve [*J. Phys.* **B33** L623 (2000), *J. Phys.* **B34** 143 (2001)] significant improvement in the triple differential cross sections for electron impact single ionization, over the previous calculations both in symmetric and asymmetric geometry with equal energy sharing by the two outgoing electrons. The results are compared with the latest measurements where ever available.

Keywords : Threshold ionization, resonance energy positions.

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Quasi-atoms, super-atoms and quantum confinement

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Abstract : The terms ‘quasiatom’ and ‘superatom’ are introduced. A quasi-atom, for example contains two ions of opposite charge, which behave like an atom, forming Rydberg states. A superatom also contains many atoms, but behaves in a simple way, and can be modelled within the central field approximation. Both are examples of many-body systems which emulate quasi-particle properties. Their behaviour is the opposite of quasi-particle breakdown in isolated atoms. However, it also probes the boundary between simple and complex behaviour, for species larger than atoms. Examples are given, ranging from shallow donor impurities in semiconductors, through ion-pair molecules, confined and endohedral atoms, to metallic clusters.

Keywords : Endohedral atoms; clusters; semiconductors.

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New insights into small-angle electron scattering : guiding measurements

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Keywords : Electron, scattering, oscillator, regge pole.

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Single and multiple ionization of atoms by electron impact

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Abstract : We report progress achieved during decades on direct single and multiple ionization of simple atoms by electron collision. In particular we investigate total cross sections from threshold to high energies. We show that all experimental data compare favorably with Wannier threshold theory. A better understanding of the ionization process one gets from the analysis of multiply differential cross sections. To this end we discuss $(e, 2e)$ and $(e, 3e)$ events.

Keywords : Single, multiple, ionisation, electron, atom.

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Laser cooling, evaporative cooling and Bose-Einstein condensation

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Abstract : Laser radiations are used to slow down atoms by the process of momentum transfer. This leads to reducing the temperature to microkelvin region. Gas phase atoms are trapped by using magnetic fields. The recent advances have led to the realization of the dream of physicists of confining the atoms and reducing their velocities to the limit imposed by quantum mechanics. A number of new experiments are possible with the cooled and trapped atoms and ions that would be useful to solve many problems of theoretical physics. Further cooling by the process of evaporative technique has led to the observation of Bose-Einstein Condensation predicted by Einstein and Rose nearly seventy-five years ago. A brief review of the method of laser cooling, magnetic trapping and evaporative cooling methods used for obtaining ultracold atoms are discussed. It is possible to obtain temperature in the nanokelvin region without using cryogenic methods thus simplifying the experimental methods to a great extent.

Keywords : Laser, evaporative, cooling, B-E condensation.

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Inner shell ionisation with low velocity heavy ions

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Keywords : Inner shell ionization, low velocity, heavy ions.

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Recent developments in multiphoton strong-field physics

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Abstract : The interaction of intense laser with an atom involves the absorption or emission of many photon resulting excitation or ionization. Perturbation theories are quite successful in explaining various multiphoton experiments. When laser intensities, $I \gtrsim 10^{13}$ W/cm² and infrared frequencies are employed, then free electrons are dressed by interaction. Energies which exceed the photon energies. New non-perturbative multiphoton phenomenon then occur such as above threshold ionization (ATI) and higher harmonic generation (HHG). For higher intensities $I \gtrsim 10^{16}$ W/cm² the electron field of laser radiation becomes greater than the coulomb-binding potential of the outer shell electron of the atom, resulting over-the-barrier ionization. With recent progress in ultrafast-optics, the intensities of the laser has been continuously increasing and now the laser intensity up to $I \approx 10^{20}$ W/cm² is available. For such high intensities, stabilization of an atom against ionization is predicted recently and involves the formation of extended wave packet of the bound state which has little overlap with the nucleus and hence a low ionization rate.

Keywords : Multiphoton, intense Laser, excitation, ionisation, atom.

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Does hyperfine quenching affect significantly the $^3P_2^0$ level in He-like vanadium ?

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Keywords : Hyperfine quenching, lifetime, beam-foil time-of-flight technique.

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Application of multidimensional SSQM formalism to He atom

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Keywords : He atom, SSQM.

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Energetic photoionization of neutral and ionic metal clusters

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Abstract : We show, with an example of Na_{92} , that for jellium metal clusters the interference of fast electron-waves emitted from equivalent sites on the cluster edge produces monochromatic oscillations in all photoionization observables as a function of the photoelectron momentum; the effect is equivalent to the usual dispersion phenomenon. In dealing with formalisms, a serious consequence of the inadequacy of self-interaction corrected local density-functional theory in correctly accounting for the exchange interaction is identified. We also briefly discuss the influence of the ionicity of the residual core on photospectra by considering the neutral member with $N = 58$ and the ionic member with $N = 52$ of the Na_{58} iso-jellium series, where N is the number of valence electrons. A few final remarks on possible implications of these results on other quantum systems of delocalized electrons are made.

Keywords : Jellium cluster, photoionization, density-functional theory.

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Line strengths and line shapes of zero-phonon absorption features in solid hydrogen

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Abstract : Molecular hydrogen for which pure rotational and rovibrational electric dipole transitions in the free states are symmetry-forbidden, exhibits an infrared spectrum in the condensed phase caused by multipolar induction. Theoretical details that are essential for the interpretation of line intensity and line shapes of zero-phonon rovibrational transitions in solid H₂ and its isotopic variants are discussed.

Keywords : Line intensity and line shape, solid hydrogen, infrared spectra.

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Physics of positronium acceptor complex formation reactions

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Abstract : Positronium (Ps) reaction rates (k) with weak Acceptors (Ac) leading to the formation of Ps-Ac complexes show several interesting features : non-monotonic temperature dependence of k (departing from the usual Arrhenius behaviour), considerable variability of k with respect to different solvents, and anomalies in response to external pressure at ambient temperature. The object of this work is to explain all these phenomena using a remarkably simple bubble model (the widely used model for the pick-off component of ortho-positronium decay in liquids), which has been revisited several times in the context and as a result smooth diffuse boundary of the bubble was suggested that yields reasonable agreement of the experimental data. The contractile force on the bubble relies much on the surface tension of the liquid, through our calculation the notion of critical surface tension emerges and enables us to explain the experimental observations satisfactorily.

Keywords : Positronium, complex formation, Arrhenius behaviour, Kramers' turnover, Bubble model, critical surface tension.

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Channeling radiation from relativistic electrons and positrons

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Abstract : The discrete nature of transverse energy associated with channeled particle has opened new applications in accelerator and atomic physics. The spontaneous transitions among these energy levels in the transverse space lead to what is known as channeling radiation. The transverse continuum potential due to two equally spaced atomic planes governing projectile motion is assumed to be harmonic type for positrons and corresponding bound states are estimated. One-dimensional hydrogen atom model for continuum potential due to single plane is used for the case of planar channeled electrons to estimate the corresponding bound states in the transverse potential well. The obstruction effects of extended defects (with specific reference to stacking faults) are incorporated suitably to obtain initial and final populations of the eigen states. The resulting expression for radiation intensities is derived using close coupling approximation.

Keywords : Electron, positron, channeled particle, bound states, close coupling app.

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Isotope shifts in UV lines of dysprosium : confirmation and new assignments of $4f^9 5d 6s 6p$, $4f^9 6s^2 6p$ configurations to energy levels of Dy I

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Abstract : Isotope shifts $DS(^{160}\text{Dy}-^{164}\text{Dy})$ in 21 spectral lines of neutral dysprosium atom (Dy I) in the UV region have been studied; for 19 lines isotope shifts are being reported for the first time. The high-resolution spectrum has been recorded on a Fourier Transform Spectrometer using highly enriched isotopes of dysprosium, excited in a all-metal hollow cathode lamp. Using the isotope shift data, we have deduced the term isotope shifts $DT(^{160}\text{Dy}-^{164}\text{Dy})$ for 16 high even- and 12 high odd-parity energy levels. The earlier assignments of some of the energy levels of Dy I to $4f^9 5d 6s 6p$ and $4f^9 6s^2 6p$ configurations have been confirmed and a few unassigned levels have been assigned to these configurations.

Keywords : Isotope shift, atomic spectra, lanthanide, energy level, configuration.

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Experimental investigation of angular dependence of scattering differential cross sections in double photon Compton scattering

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Keywords : Double photon Compton scattering, scattering differential cross section, coincidence events.

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Positronium formation in helium with electron correlation effect

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Abstract : Effects of electron correlation on positronium formation in positron-helium collisions have been studied using first-order Born and first-order distorted-wave approximations. Two correlated bound-state wavefunctions are proposed to calculate total capture cross sections at incident positron energies from the threshold at 17.8 eV upto 2000 eV. A huge collection of cross section data is compiled using these correlated and several other no-correlation wavefunctions. Present results, as expected, indicate that the electron correlation has a profound effect on the positronium formation. The correlated wavefunction which satisfies a better cusp condition of value 0.46 seems to predict realistic cross sections at all incident energies.

Keywords : Positron, positronium, electron correlation, helium, distorted-wave and Born approximations.

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Three-body recombination at low temperature—a field theoretic approach

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Keywords : Three-body recombination, field theoretic calculation, Feynman diagram.

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Single photo-ionization of He—a QED approach

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Keywords : Single ionization, photoelectric effect, Compton effect, Feynman diagram.

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Normal coordinate analysis of deuterated benzonitriles

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Abstract : A zero-order normal coordinate analysis of both in-plane and out-of-plane vibrations was made for benzonitrile, benzonitrile-p-d, benzonitrile-o-d and benzonitrile-d₅ by transferring the force constants from our earlier work. The observed and calculated frequencies agree with an average error of 10.4 cm⁻¹. On the basis of calculated potential energy distributions and eigen vectors, several assignments suggested by earlier workers have been revised.

Keywords : Normal coordinate analysis, potential energy distribution.

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Normal coordinate treatment of some pyridines

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Abstract : A 53-parameter modified valence force field has been obtained for pyridine, pyridine-d₅ and 2,6-difluoro pyridine. The force constants have been refined using vibrational frequencies employing Overlay-least-squares technique. Eigen vectors and potential energy distributions were computed. They have been used to propose unambiguous vibrational assignments for both in-plane and out-of-plane vibrational frequencies of the three molecules. On this basis certain assignments proposed by earlier workers have been revised.

Keywords : Normal coordinate treatment, force constants, potential energy distribution.

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Time reversal symmetry breaking superconducting states in Cuprates

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Keywords : Order parameter, symmetry breaking, super conducting, cuprates.

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A new technique for high resolution emission spectroscopy of rare and radioactive isotopes

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Keywords : High resolution spectroscopy, hyperfine structure, isotope shifts.

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Rovibrational matrix elements of multipole moments of the heavier isotopomers of molecular hydrogen

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Keywords : Multipole moments, solid hydrogen, infrared spectra.

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Intensity and spectral distribution of 662 keV gamma rays Compton scattered from bound electrons of tin

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Keywords : Compton scattering, cross section, radiation physics, energy distribution.

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Electron impact ionization of multiply charged ion : a BE study

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Keywords : Ionization cross section, electron impact, BED model.

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High resolution studies of $A^3P_0-X^1S^+$ band system of InCl

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Keywords : Diatomic molecule, indium monochloride, rotational analysis.

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Transport properties of gas mixtures

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Keywords : Transport coefficients, binary and multicomponent gas mixtures.

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Relativistic calculations of positron scattering from xenon (Xe) atom

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Keywords : Relativistic calculation, positron scattering.

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Time-dependent changes in the charge-transfer spectra of ferrocene in halocarbon solvents after photoexcitation

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Keywords : Ferrocene, halocarbon solvents, photoexcitation, charge-transfer, time-dependent changes in spectra.

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Superelastic electron scattering from potassium atoms

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Keywords : Electrons, excitation, Stokes parameters, alignment and orientation.

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Millimeter and submillimeter wave spectral studies of $^{13}\text{CD}_2\text{F}_2$

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Keywords : $^{13}\text{CD}_2\text{F}_2$, pure rotational spectra, millimeter wave.

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High resolution spectroscopic studies of methyl acetylene : analysis of ν_6 band of CD_3CCH

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Abstract : The high-resolution Fourier transform spectrum of the ν_6 band of CD_3CCH has been recorded at an apodized resolution of 0.004 cm^{-1} . The rotational structure in the oP and oQ subbands of $K = 5$ to 9 have been fitted with a standard deviation of 0.0006 cm^{-1} to evaluate the main localized Fermi resonance between the ν_6 (E) and $(\nu_7 + \nu_8 + \nu_{10})$ (E) levels. The parameters of both levels and the Fermi interaction parameter have been determined.

Keywords : ν_6 band of CD_3CCH , Fermi resonance, vibration-rotation spectra.

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Design and fabrication of a TOF spectrometer and a 45°-parallel plate electrostatic analyzer

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Abstract : We have designed and fabricated a Time-of-flight (TOF) spectrometer and a 45°-Parallel Plate Electrostatic Analyzer (PPEA) for their use in investigating the multiple ionization processes involved in collisions of keV-electrons with gaseous atomic/molecular targets. Details of design and characteristics of these instruments are reported and discussed. The methods of optimization of the TOF and that of the PPEA are described in detail. The typical test results obtained by using these instruments are found to yield a satisfactory performance.

Keywords : Time-of-flight spectrometer, parallel plate electrostatic analyzer.

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Two-photon excitation using L^2 technique

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Abstract : Two-photon transition from 1s-3s state in hydrogen is studied using L^2 technique. Effect of frequency of the incident radiation on transition amplitude is shown.

Keywords : Two photon excitation, 1s-3s state in hydrogen, L^2 technique.

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Computerized electronic locking system for diode laser frequency locking by saturated absorption spectroscopy of cesium

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Abstract : A computerized electronic locking system based on active feedback loop that controls the diode laser wavelength is reported. The system has been implemented for cooling and trapping of cesium atoms in a magneto optical trap.

Keywords : Laser locking, cooling and trapping of atoms, magneto-optical trap.

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Photoionization of noble gas atoms

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Abstract : Photon impact ionization cross sections for the noble gas atoms (Ne and Ar) have been calculated in the L - S and j - j coupling schemes employing the reliable non-relativistic R -matrix and relativistic R -matrix methods in both the length and velocity gauges in the energy range of experimental data available. Comparison is made with all available experimental data as well as other theoretical results. Our present theoretical investigation clearly demonstrates that there is a good agreement between our present results and other results in the case of neon which reflects the correlation and relativity are not important in this case. In the case of Ar, the independent particle approximation breaks down. It exhibits that the multielectron correlation as well as relativity are important but interchannel interactions are more important than the intrachannel interaction for obtaining high precision results.

Keywords : Atoms, photons, photoionization.

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Laser cooling and trapping of cesium atoms in a magneto-optical trap

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Abstract : Laser cooling and trapping of cesium atoms using an indigenously developed magneto-optical trap is reported. The experimental set up of the trap and laser-cooling procedure adapted for cooling of cesium atoms is discussed.

Keywords : Laser cooling, magneto-optical trap, high-resolution spectroscopy.

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Theoretical elucidation of the infrared activity of “symmetry-forbidden” overtone bands of CO₂ induced by asymmetric isotopic substitution

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Abstract : Recently, the intensities of the $2\nu_3$ band in $^{12}\text{C}^{16}\text{O}^{17}\text{O}$ and $^{12}\text{C}^{16}\text{O}^{17}\text{O}$ isotopomers of CO₂ were measured by high resolution Fourier transform spectrometry [1,2]. One may recall that in a linear and symmetric triatomic molecule XYX , the states corresponding to the vibrations ν_1 , $2\nu_1$, $2\nu_3$ etc. are symmetry-forbidden for i.r. absorption and that their weak i.r. activity in the asymmetric isotopomer results from the mass disparity in the two isotopic atoms. The problem of quantifying the infrared activity of these forbidden bands is tractable under the Born-Oppenheimer approximation. In the present paper a theoretical framework for approaching the intensity problem is discussed in the context of the overtone band $2\nu_3$. This analysis is essentially a natural extension of our previous work [3] dealing with the mass asymmetry-induced infrared (Raman) activity of the fundamental ν_1 (ν_3). In particular, the present theory enables us to calculate, *ab initio*, the transition moment ratio $|m(2\nu_3, ^{12}\text{C}^{16}\text{O}^{17}\text{O})/m(2\nu_3, ^{12}\text{C}^{16}\text{O}^{18}\text{O})|$. The theoretical ratio compares well with the experimentally deduced value.

Keywords : Overtone bands of CO₂, infrared activity, transition dipole moments.

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Synchronization in chaotic Jerk dynamical systems

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Abstract : In this communication we have discussed the synchronization of chaos in *Jerk dynamical system*. We have in particular applied three techniques for synchronization of chaos namely : (i) complete replacement (CR), (ii) feed back and (iii) adaptive control techniques (ACA). The stability of the synchronization in all the aforesaid methods have been discussed in detail.

Keywords : Synchronization, chaos, jerk equation.

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Incoherent scattering functions of some medium and heavy elements at $4.808 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$ photon momentum transfer

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Abstract : Whole atom differential incoherent scattering cross sections for 84.3 keV gamma photons have been measured for nine elements Cu, Mo, Ag, Cd, Sn, Ta, W, Th and U for 90° scattering of 84.3 keV gamma rays corresponding to the photon momentum transfer value $X = 4.080 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$. A 100 cc HpGe detector coupled to a PC based 4K analyser was used to detect and record scattered gamma photons. From the measured cross sections the incoherent scattering functions $S(x, Z)$ were evaluated and compared with the recent experimental values reported in literature and also with the latest theoretical computations based on Hartree-Fock and Thomas-Fermi atomic model predictions. Possible conclusions are drawn on electron binding and other effects.

Keywords : Incoherent, scattering, photon.

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Two-photon ionization using pseudostate summation technique

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Abstract : Accurate and powerful pseudostate summation technique has been used to study two-photon ionization of an atom. Results are obtained for the two-photon ionization of hydrogen from the ground state and the variation of ionization cross section on the frequency of incident radiation is shown for both linearly and circularly polarised light.

Keywords : Ionisation, pseudostate.

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Time evolution of SERS of *a*-bithiophene and *a*-terthiophene adsorbed on Ag-sols

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Abstract : Time evolution of Surface Enhanced Raman Spectra of *a*-bithiophene (2T) and *a*-terthiophene (3T) adsorbed on Ag-sol has been reported. Solvent effect is discussed. Orientation of the molecules in the adsorbed state is observed to control the rate of the adsorption process. Concentration dependence of time evolution is investigated. It is shown that the adsorption on the silver surface through the S atom of the oligothiophenes is a quicker process than through the *p* electrons.

Keywords : Ag-sols, oligothiophenes, surface Enhanced Raman Scattering, time evolution, solvent effect, orientation, adsorbed state.

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Theoretical total cross sections of e -H₂O collisions in water, ice and dimer forms

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Abstract : We have calculated various inelastic (including ionizing) collision parameters for the impact of electrons on H₂O molecules in the liquid (water), ice as well as cluster environments. Corresponding to incident energies E_i above the ionization threshold upto about 2000 eV, an imaginary part of complex optical potential is employed to obtain total inelastic cross sections Q_{inel} , and these are used to derive the total ionization cross sections Q_{ion} . The present calculations are extended to obtain the bulk or the macroscopic cross sections S_{tot} and the inelastic electron mean free path L as functions of energy E_i . The present results are compared with other available data.

Keywords : Electron scattering, ionization, total cross sections, macroscopic cross sections.

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Ionized helium induced ionization of atomic hydrogen

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Abstract : Total and differential ionization cross sections of atomic hydrogen by impact of ionized helium in the energy range between 28 to 114 keV have been reported. We have applied a perturbative approach which accounts for the distortion due to the Coulomb fields of the projectile as well as of the residual target on equal footing. The present results, on comparing with the other existing theoretical predictions and measured data, are found to be encouraging.

Keywords : Atomic hydrogen, ionization by impact of structured projectile (He^+), calculations for collision energies 28 to 114 keV.

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Correlation effects on peptide molecules

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Abstract : *Ab initio* methods are used to study the four possible dipeptides that can be formed from alanine and glycine in gas phase. We calculate the geometry, binding energy and rotational spectra of alanylalanine, alanylglycine, glycylalanine and glycylglycine. The geometries are optimized using Hartree-Fock (HF) and second-order Moller-Plesset perturbation theory (MP2). Single-point energy calculations with high-level CCSD(T) are performed on MP2 geometries. Both electron correlation and zero-point vibrational energy corrections are found to be very important and increase the calculated binding energy. Most of the correlation effects are obtained in second-order. The inclusion of zero-point correction is found to be essential.

Keywords : Correlation effects, peptide molecules.

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Elastic scattering of electrons from methane molecule

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Abstract : Here we present our theoretical results for the differential scattering cross section and spin polarization parameters for elastic scattering of electrons from methane molecule at 100.00 eV using relativistic Dirac equation. The calculated spin polarization parameters are compared with those for iso-electronic neon and atomic carbon. The calculated angular distribution is compared with available experimental data.

Keywords : Elastic scattering, relativistic Dirac eqs., spin polarization.

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