

Mdt. sol ①

I.

$$I: \Delta t = \frac{\Delta t_0}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{u^2}{c^2}}}; \quad \Delta t_0 = 15 \text{ years} \\ u = 0.8c$$

$$\sqrt{1 - (0.8c)^2/c^2} = \sqrt{1 - 0.64} = \sqrt{0.36} = 0.6$$

$$\text{Hence, } \Delta t = 15 \text{ years} / 0.6 = 25 \text{ years};$$

$$1993 + 25 = 2018 \Rightarrow \textcircled{D}$$

$$II: \lambda = \frac{h}{p} \text{ and } p = \sqrt{2mK}$$

Since all have the same K , the one with the largest mass has the largest p , and hence the smallest λ . Sodium atom has the largest mass $\Rightarrow \textcircled{A'}$

III. $\lambda_{\max} \cdot T = \text{const} \Rightarrow$ if T increases 4-fold then $\lambda_{\max}$ must decrease 4-fold. $5.6 \div 4 = 1.4$ so $\textcircled{C}$ is the right answer.

IV. $E = h\nu_0 \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)$ The intervals between consecutive energy levels are all the same, so, after 1.5 eV for $n=1$, the next, for $n=2$ is 2.5 eV. So, $\textcircled{A}$

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Problem 2:

(a) Initially there are two particles moving along the x axis. Their momenta are then:

(b) $\vec{p}_1 = (p_1, 0, 0)$ and $\vec{p}_2 = (p_2, 0, 0)$.

After the collision, there are two photons propagating along the y axis. So, their momenta are:

$\vec{p}_{1y} = (0, p_{1y}, 0)$ and $\vec{p}_{2y} = (0, p_{2y}, 0)$.

The momentum is conserved, so that the total momentum before the collision, and the total momentum after the collision must be equal:

$$\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2 = \vec{p}_{1y} + \vec{p}_{2y}$$

Which can be written as:

$$(p_1 + p_2, 0, 0) = (0, p_{1y} + p_{2y}, 0)$$

if two vectors are equal: $\vec{A} = (A_x, A_y, A_z) = \vec{B} = (B_x, B_y, B_z)$, it means that:

$$A_x = B_x; A_y = B_y; \text{ and } A_z = B_z$$

Accordingly, from the equity of the momentum vector, we obtain:

$$p_1 + p_2 = 0 \Rightarrow p_2 = -p_1 \quad (*)$$

and

$$p_{1y} + p_{2y} = 0 \Rightarrow p_{1y} = -p_{2y} \quad (**)$$

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The photon momentum magnitude $|\vec{p}_\gamma|$ is:

$$|\vec{p}_\gamma| = \hbar |\vec{k}| = \hbar \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = \frac{h}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = \frac{h}{\lambda} =$$

$$= \frac{h}{c/\nu} = \frac{h\nu}{c} = \frac{E_\gamma}{c}$$

From Eq. (***) it follows that the magnitude of the momenta of the two photons are equal, so their energies also must be equal: $E_{\gamma 1} = E_{\gamma 2}$.

Before the collision, the momenta of the two particles, as follows from (*), are of opposite signs, but of the same magnitude:

$$|p_2| = |p_1|.$$

$$p_1 = \frac{m v_1}{\sqrt{1 - v_1^2/c^2}} = \frac{0.8 mc}{\sqrt{1 - 0.64}} = \frac{0.8 mc}{\sqrt{0.36}} = \frac{0.8 mc}{0.6}$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} mc \approx 1.333 mc$$

The momentum of particle 2 is thus

$$|p_2| = \frac{4}{3} mc, \text{ or } p_2 = -\frac{4}{3} mc$$

(c). The total energy is conserved. The total energy before the collision can be obtained from the formula: $E_{\text{tot}} = \sqrt{(pc)^2 + (mc)^2}$ for 1 particle.

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relativistic equation for total particle energy: ~~not~~

$$E = \sqrt{(pc)^2 + (mc^2)^2}$$

In the present case, there are two particles with masses m and $2m$, and both have the same momentum $\frac{4}{3}mc$.

$$\text{So: } E_{\text{TOT}} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{4}{3}mc^2\right)^2 + (mc^2)^2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{4}{3}mc^2\right)^2 + (2mc^2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{16}{9}m^2c^4 + m^2c^4} + \sqrt{\frac{16}{9}m^2c^4 + 4m^2c^4}$$

$$= mc^2 \sqrt{\frac{16}{9} + \frac{9}{9}} + mc^2 \sqrt{\frac{16}{9} + \frac{36}{9}} =$$

$$= mc^2 \sqrt{\frac{25}{9}} + mc^2 \sqrt{\frac{52}{9}} = \frac{5}{3}mc^2 + \frac{2}{3}mc^2 \sqrt{13}$$

$$= \frac{mc^2}{3} (5 + 2\sqrt{13}) = 4.07 mc^2$$

Because the energy is conserved, ~~this energy~~ and each photon has the same energy, the photon energy value is:

$$E_{\gamma 1} = E_{\gamma 2} = \frac{4.07}{2} mc^2 = 2.035 mc^2$$

If $m = 1.022 \text{ MeV}/c^2$, we get: $E_{\gamma 1} = E_{\gamma 2} = 2.08 \text{ MeV}$.

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Problem 3:

(a) Photon: $E = h\nu = h \cdot \frac{c}{\lambda}$

for $\lambda = 45.5 \text{ nm} = 45.5 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ m}$: $E = \frac{4.136 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV} \cdot \text{s} \cdot 3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{4.5 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ m}}$
 $= 2.727 \text{ eV}$

$K_{\max} = h\nu - \phi \Rightarrow \phi = h\nu - K_{\max} = 2.727 \text{ eV} - 1.227$
 $= 1.50 \text{ eV}$. $\phi = 1.50 \text{ eV}$

(b) For $\lambda = 5.75 \text{ nm}$: $E = 2.158 \text{ eV}$

so $K_{\max} = E - \phi = 2.158 \text{ eV} - 1.5 \text{ eV} = 0.53 \text{ eV}$

(c) $h\nu = 1.50 \text{ eV}$

$\lambda = \frac{4.136 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV} \cdot \text{s} \cdot 3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{1.50 \text{ eV}} = 827 \text{ nm}$