

Session #3: Homework Problems

Problem #1

From a standard radio dial, determine the maximum and minimum wavelengths

(λ_{\max} and λ_{\min}) for broadcasts on the

- (a) AM band
- (b) FM band

Problem #2

For light with a wavelength (λ) of 408 nm determine:

- (a) the frequency
- (b) the wave number
- (c) the wavelength in Å
- (d) the total energy (in Joules) associated with 1 mole of photons
- (e) the "color"

Problem #3

For "yellow radiation" (frequency, ν , = $5.09 \times 10^{14} \text{ s}^{-1}$) emitted by activated sodium, determine:

- (a) the wavelength (λ) in [m]
- (b) the wave number ($\bar{\nu}$) in [cm^{-1}]
- (c) the total energy (in kJ) associated with 1 mole of photons

Problem #4

Potassium metal can be used as the active surface in a photodiode because electrons are relatively easily removed from a potassium surface. The energy needed is $2.15 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$ per mole of electrons removed (1 mole = 6.02×10^{23} electrons). What is the longest wavelength light (in nm) with quanta of sufficient energy to eject electrons from a potassium photodiode surface?

Problem #5

For red light of wavelength (λ) $6.7102 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}$, emitted by excited lithium atoms, calculate:

- (a) the frequency (ν) in s^{-1} ;
- (b) the wave number ($\bar{\nu}$) in cm^{-1} ;
- (c) the wavelength (λ) in nm;
- (d) the total energy (in Joules) associated with 1 mole photons of the indicated wavelength.

Problem #6

Calculate the "Bohr radius" for He^+ .

Problem #7

- (a) Determine the atomic weight of He^{++} from the values of its constituents.
- (b) Compare the value obtained in (a) with the value listed in your Periodic Table and explain any discrepancy if such is observed. (There is only one natural ${}^4_2\text{He}$ isotope.)

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