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Features of Classical Mechanics:



Central purpose: find trajectory $x(t)$

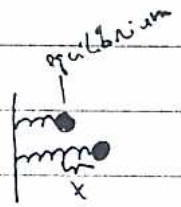
Basic equation of motion (Newton)

$$F(x) = m \ddot{x}(t) \equiv m \dot{v}(t) \equiv \dot{p}(t)$$

Example (1) Free particle $F=0 \Rightarrow x(t) = \frac{p_0}{m} t + x_0$

(2) $F = \text{const}$; e.g. $\downarrow g$, $F = mg$; now $x(t) = x_0 + \frac{p_0}{m} t + \frac{1}{2} \frac{F}{m} t^2$

(3) Linear restoring force (Harmonic Oscillator) $F(x) = -kx$; Now $m\ddot{x} = -kx$



Or: $\ddot{x}(t) = -\omega^2 x(t)$ $\omega = \sqrt{k/m}$

Thus: $x(t) = \alpha \cos \omega t + \beta \sin \omega t = x_0 \cos \omega t + \frac{p_0}{m\omega} \sin \omega t$ $\leftarrow (x_0, p_0) \leftrightarrow A, \delta$

$= A \sin(\omega t + \delta) = A [\sin \omega t \cos \delta + \cos \omega t \sin \delta]$

Features of H.O. motion: $A = \text{amplitude (magnitude of maximum displacement)}$

$T = \text{period of oscillation}; \omega T = 2\pi$ or $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = \frac{1}{\nu}$ \leftarrow frequency

Principle of Energy Conservation: define potential energy $V(x) = -\int_0^x F(x') dx'$

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lower limit is arbitrary

thus for $F=0$, $V(x)=0$

$F = \text{const}$, $V(x) = -Fx$

$F = -kx$, $V(x) = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$ $\textcircled{1}$

Now consider: $E = \text{"total energy"} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} m v(t)^2}_{\text{Kinetic } E} + \underbrace{V(x(t))}_{\text{Potential } E}$

For free particle, $E = \frac{1}{2} \frac{p_0^2}{m} = \frac{1}{2} m v_0^2 = \text{const.}$

For constant force, $E = \frac{1}{2} m \left[\frac{p_0}{m} + \frac{F}{m} t \right]^2 - F \left[x_0 + \frac{p_0}{m} t + \frac{1}{2} \frac{F}{m} t^2 \right] = \frac{p_0^2}{2m} - F x_0 = \text{constant}$

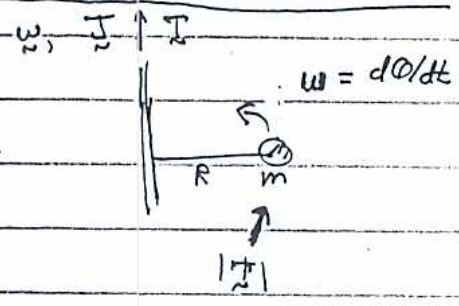
For H.O., $E = \frac{1}{2} m [A \omega \cos(\omega t + \delta)]^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 [A \sin(\omega t + \delta)]^2 = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 A^2 = \frac{1}{2} k A^2$

These are examples of Principle of Conservation of Energy (E)

Some basic characteristics of classical mechanics: ① Arbitrary F's allowed.

② Trajectories precisely specified

Classical Mechanical description of Rotational Motion.



linear	rotational
m	$I (= m R^2)$, moment of inertia
v	ω , angular velocity
p	J , "momentum"
F	τ , torque

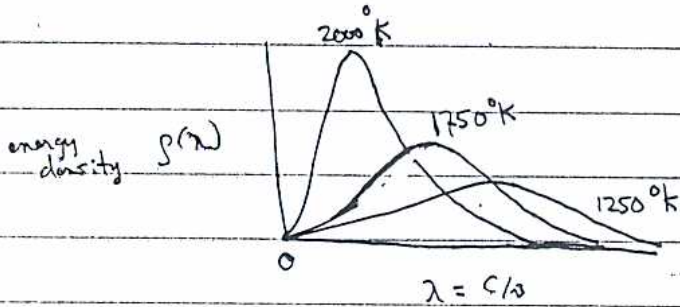
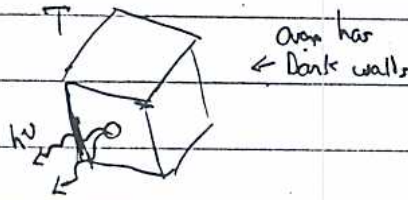
"Newton's Eq" $\dot{J} = \tau$

For constant torque: $\theta(t) = \theta_0 + \omega_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tau}{I} t^2$

(rotational) KE = $\frac{1}{2} I \dot{\theta}^2 = \frac{\tau^2 t^2}{2I}$ if $\omega_0 = 0$

Failures of Classical Physics [~1900]

(I) Blackbody Radiation



Some Features: (1) $\lambda_{\text{max}} T = \text{const}$, where λ_{max} = wavelength at which intensity is max. [Wien's Law]

(2) $\int_0^{\infty} p(\lambda) d\lambda = a T^4$ [Stefan's Law]

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$$5.67 \times 10^{-8} \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}^4}$$

Theories [Rayleigh-Jeans, Planck...]

Aside: Classical Equipartition Thm.: At thermal equilibrium [$T = \text{temp}$, $q \ll 1$], energy is partitioned into each molecule according to: $\frac{1}{2} k_B T$ in KE for each degree of freedom; and...

$\frac{1}{2} k_B T$ in PE for each vibrational degree of freedom

[Thm. \Rightarrow for a 1D H.O. $\bar{E} = k_B T$]

$k_B = 1.38 \times 10^{-16} \text{ erg/}^\circ\text{K}$

New, Rayleigh-Jeans ...

Assumed: (i) electromagnetic field = collection of h.o.'s; one for each possible frequency of light

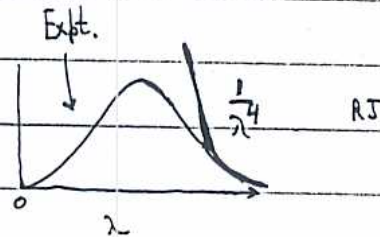
(ii) classical equipartition thm. [each mode gets kT energy, indep. of frequency]

Then: (RJ)
$$\rho(\lambda) = \frac{8\pi}{\lambda^4} \cdot k_B T$$

← energy / (wavelength)(volume) } "energy density"

density of E.M. modes w/ wavelength λ in the cavity [per unit volume]

Disaster at high frequencies ["U.V. catastrophe"]:



Planck: for each field oscillator (frequency ν), restrict allowed energies to:
$$0, h\nu, 2h\nu, \dots$$
 [Quantization] 1 photon

Analysis then shows:
$$\bar{E}(\nu) = \frac{h\nu}{e^{\frac{h\nu}{k_B T}} - 1} \quad [\nu = \frac{c}{\lambda}]$$

high frequency modes are not excited! [no photons in those modes]

Thus:

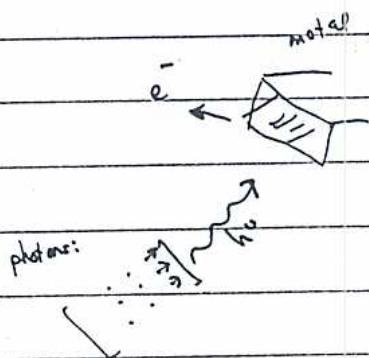
(Planck)

$$\rho(\lambda) = \frac{8\pi h c}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{[e^{\frac{hc}{\lambda k_B T}} - 1]}$$

; c = speed of light = 3×10^8 cm/sec

h = Planck's const. = 6.625×10^{-27} erg-sec

Photo-electron effect [Einstein]

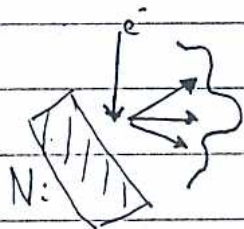


Expt: (1) no e^- for $\nu < \nu_0$

(2) for $\nu > \nu_0$, e^- off w k.E. of $(\nu - \nu_0)$ $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}mV^2 = h\nu - h\nu_0$
 $\phi \leftarrow$ "work fn." of metal

(3) e^- off instantaneously for $\nu > \nu_0$, even at low intensities

Davisson-Germer Expt. [1925]: Interference [Diffraction] in electron-surface scattering \Rightarrow Matter is wave-like



De Broglie: $\lambda = h/p$ for any particle

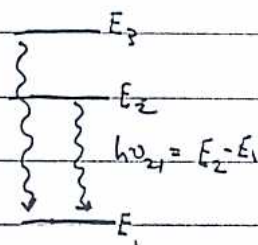
Atomic + Molecular Spectra - always composed of discrete lines



See Fig. 11.5-11.6 in Atkins

Suggests quantization of atomic/molecular E levels:

$E_3 - E_1 = h\nu_{31}$

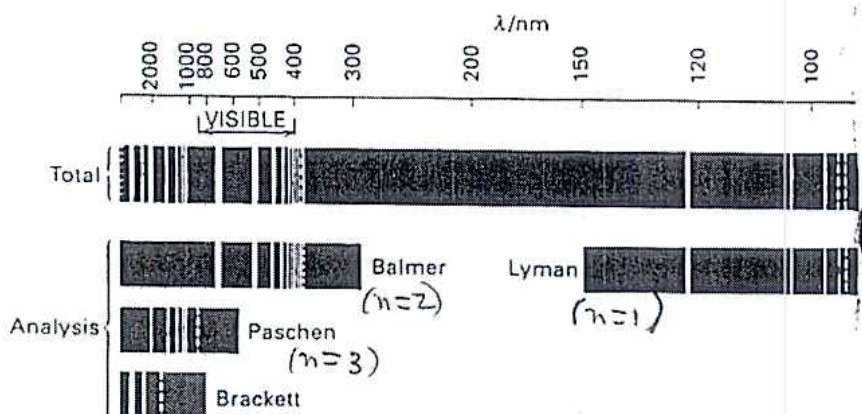


$[\nu_{31} > \nu_{21}]$

consider emission spectra of the hydrogen atom [Balmer, Lyman...]

per electric discharge thru $H_2(g) \rightarrow H \cdot + H \cdot$

highly organized!



5th [Atkins] Edition [→ 13.1 in 11th Ed.] [8th Ed. = 10.1]

13.2 The spectrum of atomic hydrogen. The observed spectrum and its resolution into overlapping series are shown. Note that the Balmer series lies in the visible region.

All lines in this emission spectrum are consistent w/ the following E-level diagram

$$E_n = \frac{-13.6 \text{ eV}}{n^2}; n=1, 2, 3, \dots, \infty$$

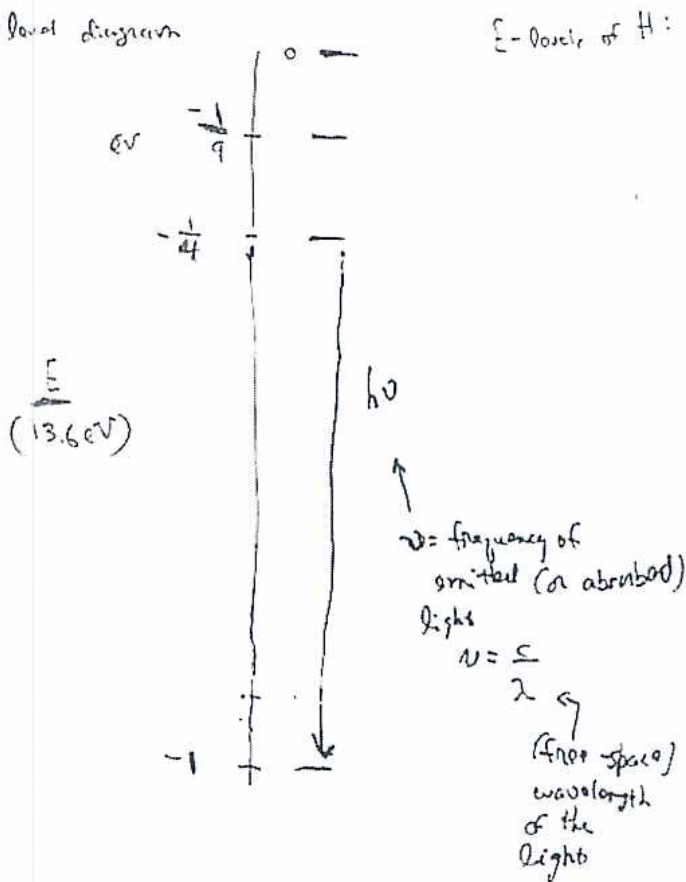
Quantitatively, for any line in the emission spectrum

$$h\nu = 13.6 \text{ eV} \left(\frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{m^2} \right)$$

$m, n = 1, 2, 3$
and $m > n$

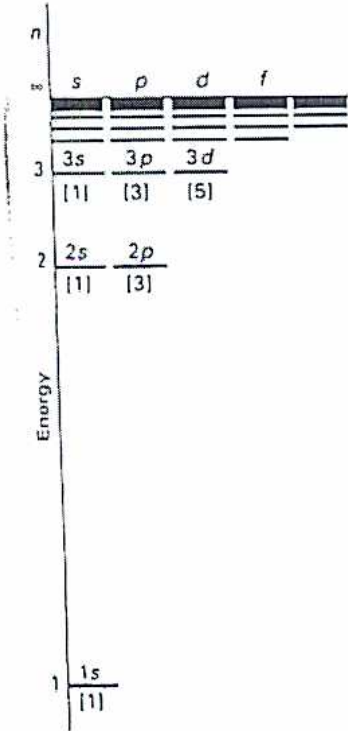
J. Rydberg [1890]

$$[1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}]$$



Energy levels, states + degeneracies

For some systems, [two or more distinguishable states w/ the same energy, e.g. in the H-atom:



13.8 The energy levels of the hydrogen atom showing the subshells and (in square brackets) the numbers of orbitals in each subshell. All orbitals of a given shell have the same energy in hydrogenic atoms.

Note also: spin degeneracy = 2 (↑↓) for each spatial orbital

so total degeneracies of energy levels:

	spatial degeneracy	spin degeneracy	total
(i) $n=1$	1	2	2
$= 2$	4	2	8
$= 3$	9	2	18

generally: for n principle quantum #

$$n^2$$

$$2n^2$$

↑
of states that can have energy E_n