

Exercise 3.3

Calculations Based on Bohr's Model of the Atom

- Calculate the energy of a photon emitted when a Li^{2+} ion relaxes from the $n = 5$ state to the $n = 4$ state.
 - Calculate the wavelength of this photon. Report your answer in nanometers (nm).
 - What type of electromagnetic radiation is this?
- At what wavelength should you look for the line in the emission spectrum of He^+ corresponding to the transition from $n = 3$ to $n = 1$?
Express your final answer using an appropriate SI prefix so that the value is between 0.1 and 1000.
 - Will the line in the emission spectrum of He^+ corresponding to the transition from $n = 5$ to $n = 3$ have a longer or shorter wavelength than the line corresponding to the transition from $n = 3$ to $n = 1$? Justify your answer.
It is not necessary to show a calculation for part (b) of this question.
- Consider H and He^+ in the ground state.
 - For which of these two species will it require more energy to remove the electron? Why?
 - Calculate the energy required to excite the electron from an atom of H in the ground state. In other words, calculate the first ionization energy for H.
 - Calculate the energy required to excite the electron from a He^+ cation in the ground state. In other words, calculate the second ionization energy for He.
 - Did your calculations in parts (b) and (c) support your answer to part (a)?
 - Why can we not calculate the first ionization energy for He?
- An ultraviolet lamp produces electromagnetic radiation with a wavelength of 250. nm.
 - Calculate the energy of one photon from this ultraviolet lamp.
 - Would the radiation from this ultraviolet lamp be capable of exciting the last electron out of a ground state He^+ ion?
Your answer must be backed up by calculations.