



COMPTON EFFECT

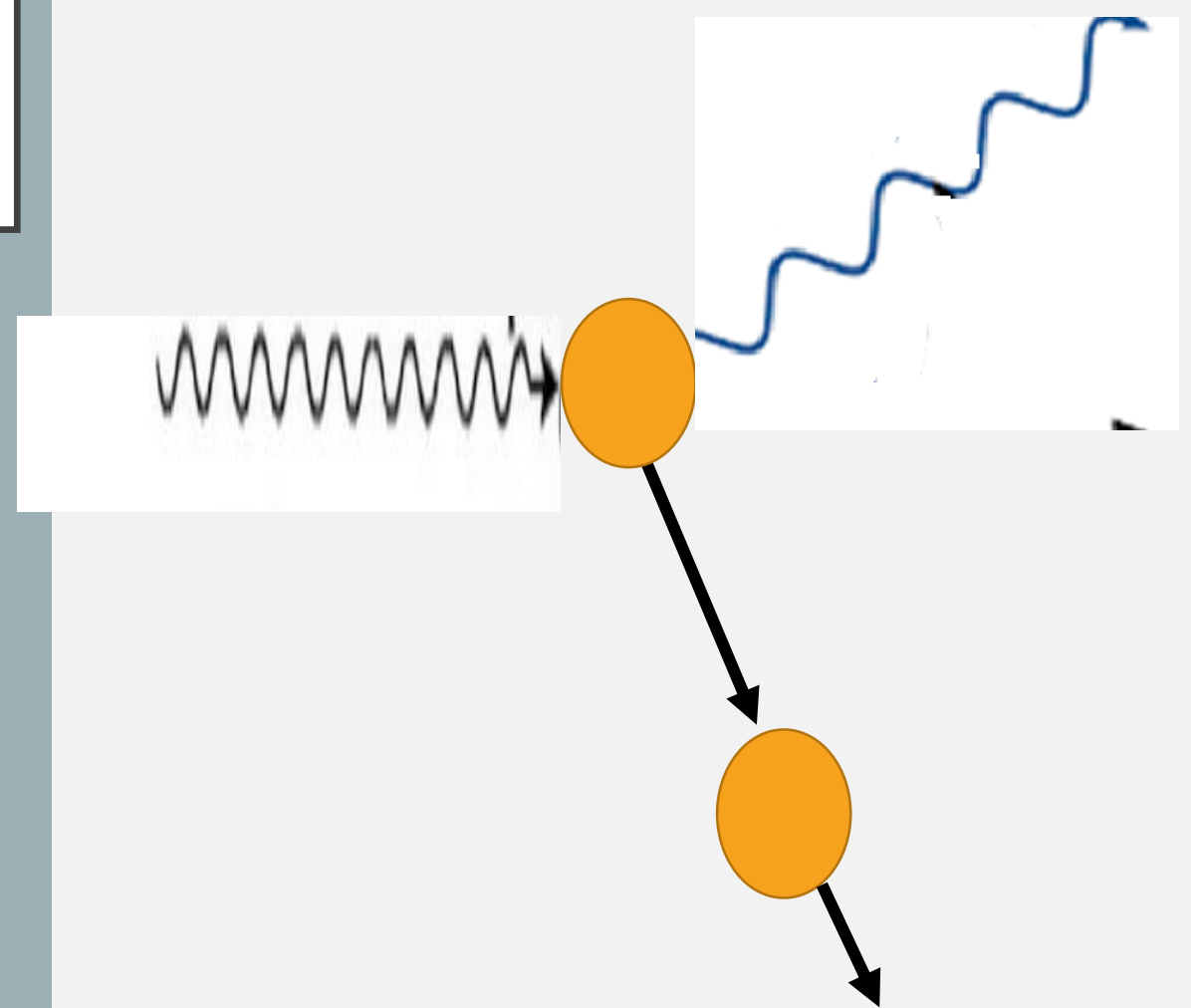
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COMPTON EFFECT

**Scattering of photon by
an electron**



ARTHUR HOLLY COMPTON
(1892-1962)

Native : Ohio

Education: Wooster and Princeton

Research: Washington university

X-ray increases in wavelength
when scattered

Conformation of particle nature of
light

Studied cosmic rays

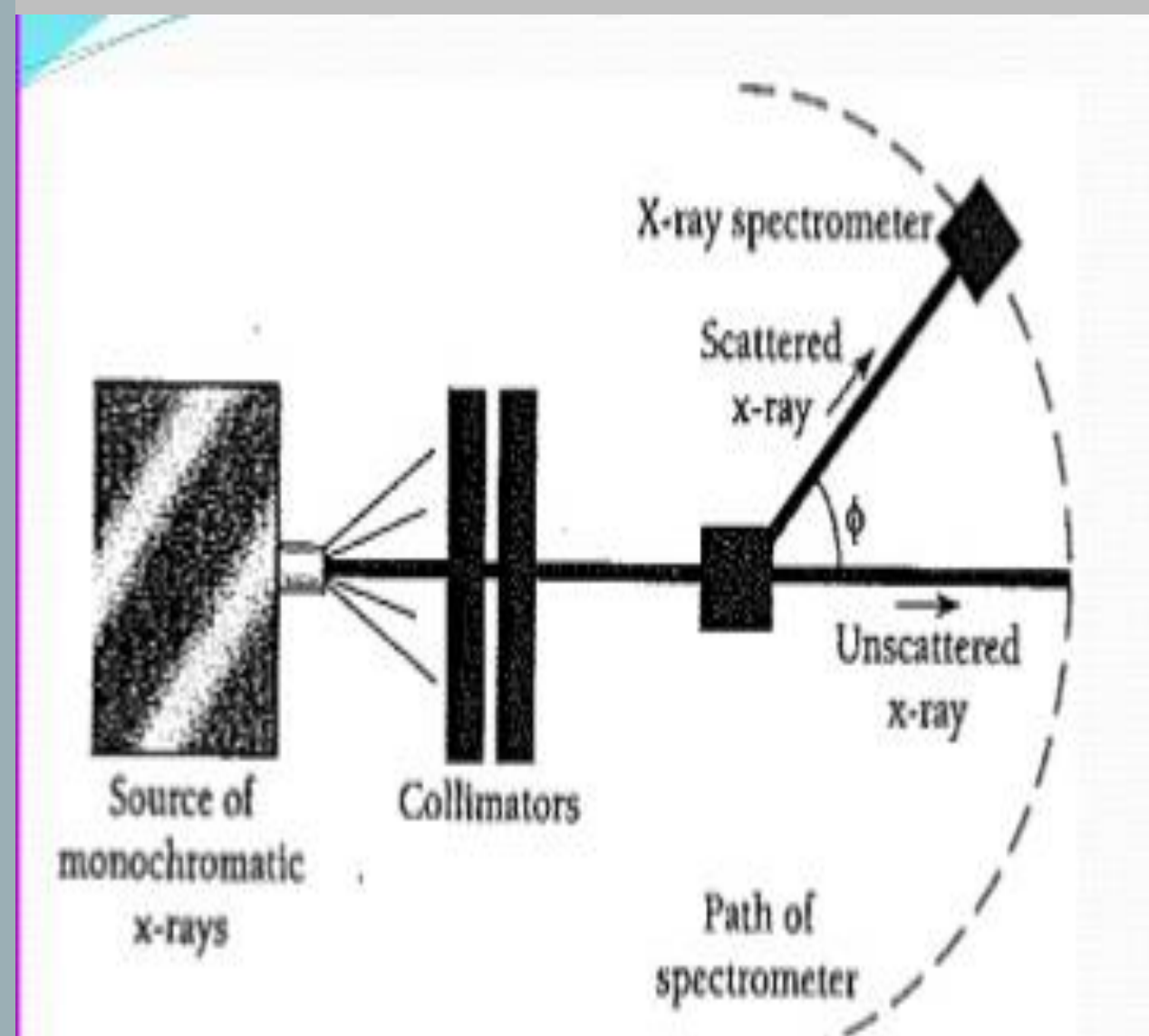
Nobel prize in 1927





EXPERIMENTAL DEMONSTRATION

- ★ X-Ray of single wavelength is directed at target
- ★ Wavelength of scattered X-Rays determined at various angle ϕ
- ★ Result shows the shift in wavelength





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Scattering of photon by an electron

Suppose an X ray photon strikes on electron

Scattered photon changes its direction

Electron receives impulse begins to move

Before Collision

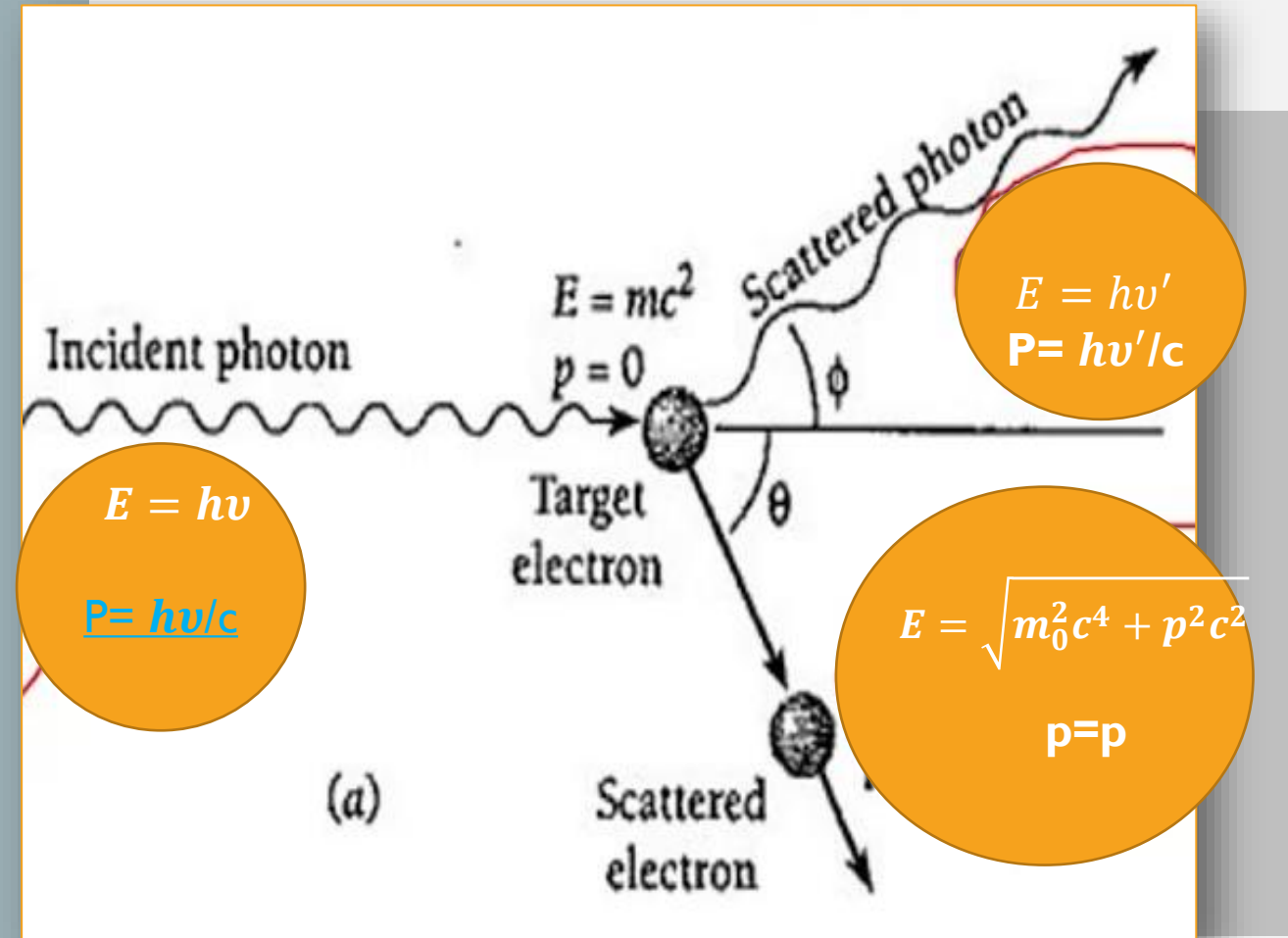
Energy associated with initial photon of frequency ν is

$$E = h\nu$$

After collision

Energy associated with scattered photon of frequency ν' is

$$E = h\nu'$$





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During collision

Photon loses energy

Electron receives that one

Loss in photon energy = Gain of KE of electron

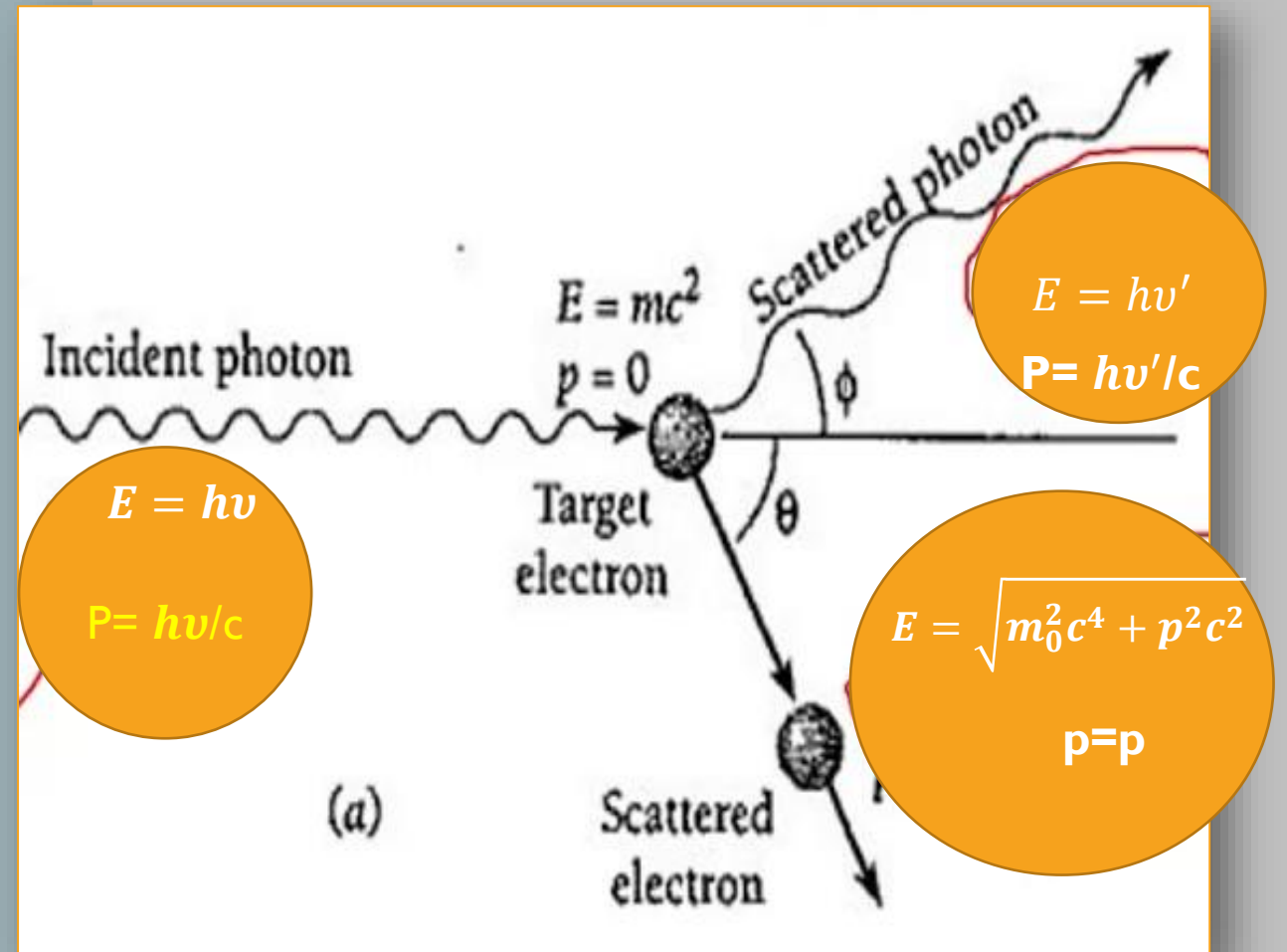
$$h\nu - h\nu' = \text{KE} \quad \text{-----(1)}$$

Momentum of massless particle related to its energy by

$$E = pc \quad \text{-----(2)}$$

Photon momentum

$$p = E/c = h\nu/c \quad \text{-----(3)}$$





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Momentum is conserved in each two mutually perpendicular direction

Initial photon momentum = $h\nu/c$

Scattered photon momentum = $h\nu'/c$

Initial electron momentum = 0

Final electron momentum = p

In original direction

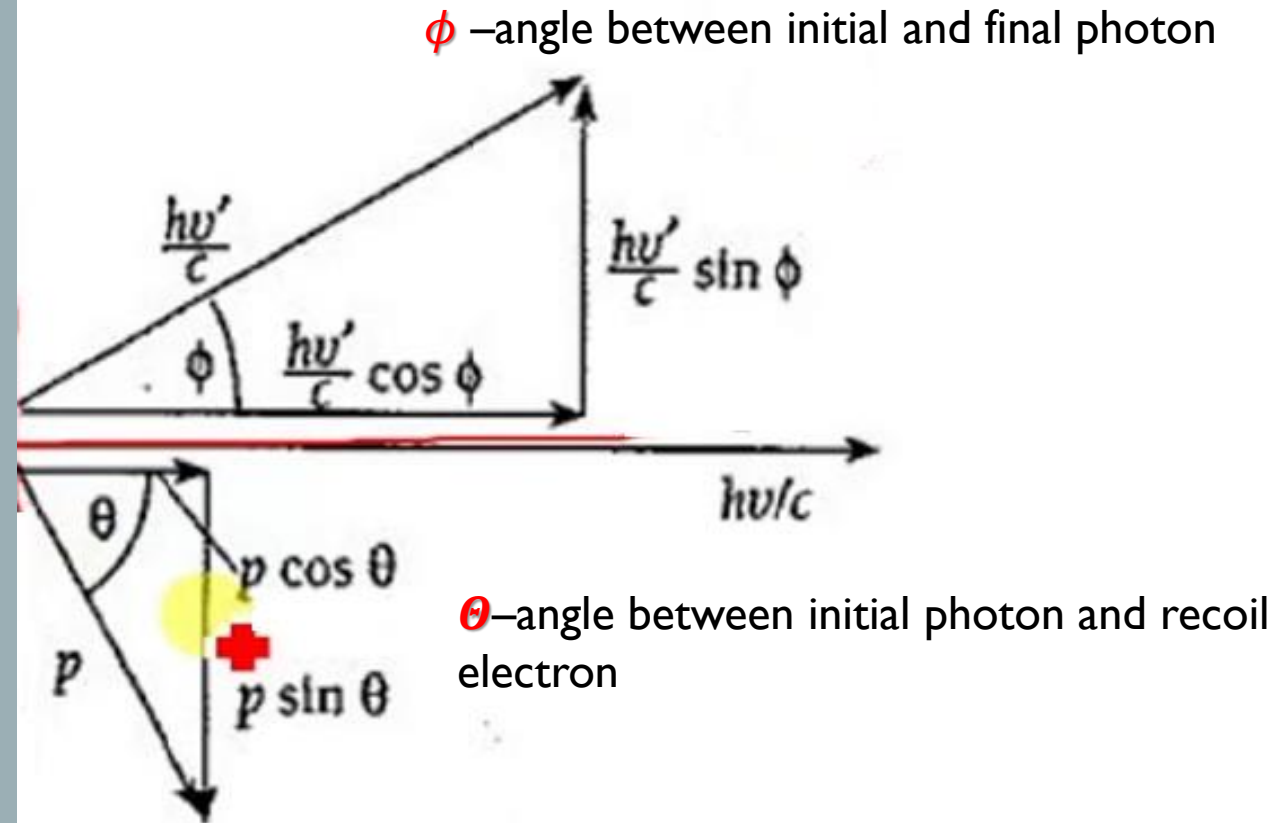
Initial momentum = final momentum

$$\frac{h\nu}{c} + 0 = \frac{h\nu'}{c} \cos\phi + p \cos\theta \quad (4)$$

Perpendicular direction

Initial momentum = final momentum

$$0 = \frac{h\nu'}{c} \sin\phi + p \sin\theta \quad (5)$$





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Multiplying eq.(4) and (5) by c and rewriting

$$pc \cos\theta = hv - hv' \cos\phi \text{ ----(6)}$$

$$pc \sin\theta = hv' \sin\phi \text{ ----- ---(7)}$$

Squaring and adding eq. (6) and (7) θ is eliminated

$$p^2 c^2 = (hv)^2 - 2(hv)(hv') \cos\phi + (hv')^2 \text{-----(8)}$$

Total energy of particle is

$$E = (\text{K.E.}) + m_0 c^2 \text{-----(9)}$$

$$E = \sqrt{m_0^2 c^4 + p^2 c^2} \text{-----(10)}$$

From (9) and (10)

$$(K.E. + m_0 c^2)^2 = m_0^2 c^4 + p^2 c^2$$

$$p^2 c^2 = (K.E.)^2 + 2m_0 c^2 (K.E)$$

$$\text{But } KE = hv - hv'$$



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$$p^2 c^2 = (hv)^2 - 2(hv)(hv') + (hv')^2 + 2m_0 c^2 (hv - hv') \text{-----(11)}$$

Substituting $p^2 c^2$ in eq.(8)

$$2m_0 c^2 (hv - hv') = 2(hv)(hv')(1 - \cos\phi) \text{-----(12)}$$

Dividing eq. (12) by $2 h^2 c^2$

$$\frac{m_0 c}{h} \left(\frac{v}{c} - \frac{v'}{c} \right) = \frac{v}{c} - \frac{v'}{c} (1 - \cos\phi)$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{v}{c} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \text{ and } \frac{v'}{c} = \frac{1}{\lambda'}$$

$$\frac{m_0 c}{h} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda'} \right) = \frac{1 - \cos\phi}{\lambda \lambda'}$$

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$$\lambda' - \lambda = \frac{h}{m_0 c} (1 - \cos\phi) \text{-----(13)}$$

$$\frac{h}{m_0 c} = \lambda_c \text{ Is Compton Wavelength}$$



CONCLUSION:

- 1) Compton wavelength gives the scale of wavelength change of incident photon
- 2) Greatest wavelength change occurs when $\phi = 180$ degree which is twice λ_c
- 3) Maximum wavelength observed in X-Rays for visible it is less than 0.01%
- 4) X-Rays lose energy when they pass through the matter
- 5) Compton effect gives conformation to photon model



SUMMARY:

Compton effect is scattering of photon by electron

Energy associated with initial photon of frequency ν is $E = h\nu$

Energy associated with scattered photon of frequency ν' is $E = h\nu'$

Loss in photon energy = Gain of KE of electron
 $h\nu - h\nu' = KE$

Momentum is conserved in each two mutually perpendicular direction

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$$\lambda' - \lambda = \frac{h}{m_0 c} (1 - \cos\phi) \text{ -----(13)}$$

$$\frac{h}{m_0 c} = \lambda_c \text{ Is Compton Wavelength} = 2.426 \text{ pico metre}$$



NUMERICAL PROBLEMS:

X-ray of wavelength 10.0pm are scattered from a target.

- Find the wavelength of X-ray scattered through 45°
- Find maximum wavelength present in the scattered X rays
- Find maximum kinetic energy of recoil electron

Solution:

Given: Wave length of incident X-ray $=\lambda = 10\text{ pm}=10.0\times 10^{-12}\text{m}$

$$\frac{h}{m_0c} = \lambda_c \text{ Is Compton Wavelength } = 2.426\text{pm}$$

Scattered angle $= \phi = 45^\circ$, Wave length of scattered X-ray $= \lambda'=?$

Maximum Wave length of scattered X-ray $= \lambda' - \lambda=?$

Maximum kinetic energy of recoil electron=?

a) Compton effect

$$\lambda' - \lambda = \frac{h}{m_0c} (1 - \cos\phi) = \lambda' - \lambda = \lambda_c (1 - \cos\phi)$$

$\lambda' = \lambda + \lambda_c (1 - \cos\phi)$ substituting the values

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda' &= 10\text{pm} + 2.426\text{pm}(1 - \cos 45^\circ) \\ &= 10\text{ pm} + 2.426\text{pm}(1 - 0.7071) = 10\text{pm} + 0.71\text{pm} \\ &= \text{Wave length of scattered X-ray} = \lambda' = 10.7\text{pm}\end{aligned}$$



NUMERICAL PROBLEMS:

b) Maximum Wave length of scattered X-ray = $\lambda' - \lambda$

when $\cos \phi = 180^\circ$ i.e. $(1 - \cos \phi) = 2$

$$\lambda' = \lambda + 2\lambda_c = 10\text{pm} + 2 \times 2.426\text{pm}$$

$$= 10\text{pm} + 4.852\text{pm} = 14.852\text{pm}$$

Maximum Wave length of scattered X-ray = $\lambda' - \lambda = 14.852\text{pm}$

c) Maximum kinetic energy of recoil electron = Difference in energies of incidence and scattered photons

$$\text{K.E.}_{\text{max}} = h(\nu - \nu') = hc \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda'} \right)$$

$$= (6.63 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^8) \left(\frac{1}{10.0\text{pm}} - \frac{1}{14.9\text{pm}} \right)$$

$$= 6.54 \times 10^{-15} \text{ joule}$$

$$= \frac{6.54 \times 10^{-15}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 4.08 \text{ KeV}$$



$$P = hv/c$$

$$E = mc^2$$

$$E = mc \cdot c$$

$$E = pc$$

$$p = \frac{E}{c}$$

$$p = \frac{hv}{c}$$



$$E = \sqrt{m_0^2 c^4 + p^2 c^2}$$

$$\text{Relativistic total energy} = E = mc^2 = \frac{m_0 c^2}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}}$$

$$\text{Relativistic momentum} = p = mv = \frac{m_0 v}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}}$$

$$E^2 = \frac{m_0^2 c^4}{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}} \quad \text{and} \quad p^2 = \frac{m_0^2 v^2}{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}$$

$$E^2 - p^2 c^2 = \frac{m_0^2 c^4 - m_0^2 v^2 c^2}{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}$$

$$= \frac{m_0^2 c^4 (1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2})}{(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2})} = m_0^2 c^4$$

$$E^2 = m_0^2 c^4 + p^2 c^2$$

$$E = \sqrt{m_0^2 c^4 + p^2 c^2}$$