

## UNIT 1: QUANTUM MECHANICS

- 1 Calculate the number of photons emitted per second by a 100 watt sodium vapour lamp. Assume  $\lambda = 5893\text{\AA}$  for sodium light.**

Solution:

Given data:

No. of photons /second = ?  $\lambda = 5893\text{\AA}$

WKT  $E = h\nu = hc/\lambda = (6.634 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^8) / 5893 \times 10^{-10} = 3.375 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$

Further, the rate of energy emission from a 100 watt lamp is 100 joules/second. So the number of photons (each having energy  $3.375 \times 10^{-19}$  emitted per second is  $100 / 3.375 \times 10^{-19} = 2.96 \times 10^{20}$  photons per second

- 2 In an expt. Tungsten cathode which has threshold of  $2300\text{\AA}$  is irradiated by UV light of wavelength  $1800\text{\AA}$ . Calculate i) maximum energy of emitted photoelectrons ii) work function for tungsten. Given,  $h = 6.634 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J-s}$ ,  $1\text{eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$  and  $c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$ .**

Solution:

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i)  $KE_{\max} = h(\nu - \nu_0) = h(c/\lambda - c/\lambda_0)$   
 $= 6.634 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^8 (1/1800 \times 10^{-10} - 1/2300 \times 10^{-10}) = 1.48 \text{ eV}$

ii) Work function  $W_0 = h\nu_0 = (6.634 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^8) / 2300 \times 10^{-10} = 5.38 \text{ eV}$

- 3 Calculate the de Broglie wavelength of the following and justify your answers**

- i. a 1000kg automobile traveling at 100m/s
- ii. a smoke particle of mass  $10^{-9} \text{ g}$  moving at 1cm/s
- iii. an electron with KE 1eV

Solution:

- i. we have  $\lambda = h/mv = 6.634 \times 10^{-34} / 1000 \times 100 = 6.634 \times 10^{-29} \text{ m}$
- ii. we have  $\lambda = h/mv = 6.634 \times 10^{-34} / 10^{-12} \times 10^{-2} = 6.634 \times 10^{-20} \text{ m}$
- iii. we have  $\lambda = h/(2meV)^{1/2} = 6.634 \times 10^{-34} / (2 \times 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19})^{1/2} = 1.22 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$

From the above results it is clear that smaller the mass of the object, more prominent will be its de Broglie wavelength and vice versa.

- 4 Calculate the de Broglie wavelength associated with a proton moving with  $1/20^{\text{th}}$  the velocity of light, mass of proton is 1836 times the mass of electron.**

Solution:

$m_p = 1836 m_e$  ;  $m_e = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$  ;  $v = 1/20 \times \text{velocity of light}$

$\lambda = h/mv = 6.634 \times 10^{-34} \times 20 / (1836 \times 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \times 3 \times 10^8) = 2.64 \times 10^{-14} \text{ m}$

- 5 If an electron has a de Broglie wavelength of 2nm, find its KE and group velocity.**

Solution:

$KE = p^2/2m = h^2/2m\lambda^2 = (6.634 \times 10^{-34})^2 / (2 \times 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \times (2 \times 10^{-9})^2) = 6.038 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J}$

Group velocity  $= p/m = h/m\lambda = 6.634 \times 10^{-34} / 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \times 2 \times 10^{-9} = 364285 \text{ m/s}$

- 6 An electron has a speed of 600m/s with an accuracy of 0.005%. Calculate the certainty with which the position of the electron can be located?**

Solution:

We have Heisenberg's Uncertainty principle

$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq h/4\pi \text{ or } \Delta x m \Delta v \geq h/4\pi$$

$$\Delta v \text{ is } 0.005\% \text{ of } 600\text{m/s} \text{ that is } \Delta v = (0.005 \times 600)/100 = \mathbf{0.030\text{m/s}}$$

$$\Delta x = h/4\pi m \Delta v = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} / 4 \times 3.14 \times 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \times 0.03 = \mathbf{1.93 \times 10^{-3}\text{m}}$$

Hence, certainly there exists an electron with in  $\mathbf{1.93 \times 10^{-3}\text{m}}$

- 7 If an electron has a deBroglie wavelength of 2nm, find its kinetic energy and group velocity.**

Solution:

$$v_g = v_{\text{particle}} = p/m = h/\lambda m = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} / 2 \times 10^{-9} \times 9.1 \times 10^{-31} = \mathbf{3.64 \times 10^5\text{m/s}}$$

- 8 A particle of mass  $1.67 \times 10^{-27}\text{kg}$  is confined to the 2<sup>nd</sup> excited state in a one dimensional potential well of infinite height & width  $L = 0.1\text{nm}$ . Calculate (a) its energy (b) momentum and (c) the probability of finding the particle between 0 &  $L/3$ .**

Solution:

$$E = n^2 h^2 / 8ml^2 = \mathbf{29.34 \times 10^{-21}\text{J}}$$

$$p = (2mE)^{1/2} = \mathbf{10^{-23}\text{kg-m/s}}$$

$$p = \int_0^{L/3} |\psi|^2 dx = \int_0^{L/3} \left[ \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)x \right]^2 dx = \int_0^{L/3} \left[ \frac{2}{L} \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)x \right] dx$$

$$p = \left(\frac{2}{L}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \int_0^{L/3} (1 - \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{L}\right)x) dx = \left(\frac{1}{L}\right) \left[ \int_0^{L/3} 1 dx - \int_0^{L/3} \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{L}\right)x dx \right]$$

$$p = \left(\frac{1}{L}\right) \left[ \frac{L}{3} \right] = \frac{1}{3}$$

- 9 A nucleon is confined to a nucleus of diameter  $5 \times 10^{-4}\text{m}$ . Calculate the minimum uncertainty in the momentum of the nucleon. Also calculate the minimum kinetic energy of the nucleon.**

Solution:

$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq h/4\pi \text{ or } \Delta p = h/\Delta x 4\pi = 6.634 \times 10^{-34} / 5 \times 10^{-4} \times 4 \times 3.14 = \mathbf{1.056 \times 10^{-31}\text{kg-m/s}}$$

Since  $p \geq (\Delta p)_{\text{min}}$ , let us consider  $p = (\Delta p)_{\text{min}}$

$$E_{\text{min}} = p^2 / 2m_n = \mathbf{3.33 \times 10^{-36}\text{J}}$$

- 10 If the uncertainty in the location of a particle is equal to its de-Broglie wavelength, what is the uncertainty associated with the velocity?**

Solution:

$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq h/4\pi \text{ or } \Delta x m \Delta v \geq h/4\pi \text{ or } \Delta v \geq h/\Delta x m 4\pi$$

$$\text{But } \Delta x = \lambda \text{ therefore } \Delta v \sim h/(h/p) m 4\pi \sim v/4\pi$$

- 11 For a particle having energy E & momentum P, show that the group velocity of matter waves associated with a moving particle on which no forces act is twice the phase velocity.**

$$\text{Solution: } v_{\text{ph}} = \omega/k = 2\pi v/(2\pi/\lambda) = v\lambda = (E/h)(h/p) = E/p = p^2/2mp = p/2m = 1/2(v_{\text{particle}}) = 1/2(v_{\text{pgroup}})$$

$$\text{Hence } v_{\text{pgroup}} = 2v_{\text{ph}}$$

- 12 For surface tension waves in shallow water, the relation between frequency & wavelength is given by  $\nu = \left( \frac{2\pi T}{\rho \lambda^3} \right)^{1/2}$  find the group velocity.

Solution:  $\nu = \left( \frac{2\pi T}{\rho} \right)^{1/2} \lambda^{-3/2} = X \lambda^{-3/2} = X \left( \frac{2\pi}{k} \right)^{-3/2}$  or  $\frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \nu = X (2\pi)^{-3/2} k^{3/2}$

$\omega = X (2\pi)^{-1/2} k^{3/2}$  or  $\frac{d\omega}{dk} = X (2\pi)^{-1/2} \frac{3}{2} k^{1/2} = \frac{3}{2} X (2\pi)^{-1/2} \left( \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \right)^{1/2} = \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{2\pi T}{\rho} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda} \right)^{1/2} = \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{2\pi T}{\rho \lambda} \right)^{1/2}$

- 13 In a particular substance the phase velocity of waves doubles when the wavelength is halved. Show that wave groups in this system move at twice the central phase velocity.

Solution:

$v_p \propto 1/\lambda$  or  $v_p = A/\lambda$ , we have  $v_g = v_p - \lambda [dv_p/d\lambda]$

$v_g = v_p - \lambda [-A/\lambda^2] = v_p + A/\lambda = 2 v_p$

- 14 A particle is confined to a one-dimensional box of length 0.2nm. It is found that when the energy of the particle is 230eV, its wave function has five antinodes. Find the mass of the particle and show that it can never have energy equal to 1keV.

Solution: Given data,

$L = 0.2\text{nm}$ ,  $E = 230\text{eV}$  and for five antinodes  $n=5$

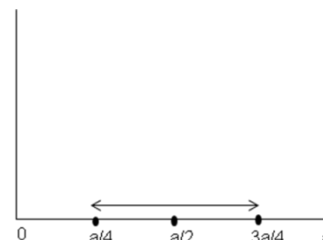
$E = n^2 h^2 / 8mL^2$  or  $m = n^2 h^2 / 8EL^2 = 5^2 \times (6.6 \times 10^{-34})^2 / 8 \times 230 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times (0.2 \times 10^{-9})^2 = 9.24 \times 10^{-31} \text{kg}$

For  $E = 1\text{keV}$  we get  $n = 10.42$  which is a fraction and hence not allowed

- 15 A quantum particle confined to one-dimensional box of width 'a' is in its first excited state. What is the probability of finding the particle over an interval of  $a/2$  marked symmetrically at the centre of the box.

Solution:

$$p = \int_{a/4}^{3a/4} |\psi|^2 dx = \int_{a/4}^{3a/4} \left[ \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) \right]^2 dx = \int_{a/4}^{3a/4} \left[ \frac{2}{a} \sin^2 \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) \right] dx = 0.5$$



- 16 A plane wave is travelling in a dispersive medium with phase velocity  $v_{ph}$  given by  $v_{ph} = a + b\lambda$  where  $a$  &  $b$  are constants. Show that the group velocity is equal to 'a'.

Solution:

We have  $v_{ph} = \omega/k$  ----- (1) and  $v_{ph} = a + b\lambda$  ----- (2)

Combining equations (1) & (2) we get

$\omega = (a + b\lambda)k$

$\frac{d\omega}{dk} = (a + b\lambda) + k \left( 0 + b \frac{d\lambda}{dk} \right)$  or  $\frac{d\omega}{dk} = v_g = a + b \left( \frac{2\pi}{k} \right) + kb \left( \frac{-2\pi}{k^2} \right) = a$

- 17 Find the value of 'A' in terms of 'k' for a wave function  $\psi = A \exp(-kx)$  for  $0 < x < \infty$ .

Solution :

$\int_0^\infty |\psi|^2 dx = 1$  implies  $\int_0^\infty A^2 e^{-2kx} dx = 1$

$\frac{A^2}{-2k} \left[ \frac{1}{e^\infty} - 1 \right] = 1$  implies  $A = (2k)^{1/2}$

- 18 An excited atom has an average life time of  $10^{-8}\text{s}$ . During this period, it emits a photon and returns to the ground state. What is the minimum uncertainty in the frequency of

**this photon.**

Solution:

$$\Delta E \Delta t \geq h/4\pi \quad \text{or} \quad h\Delta\nu \Delta t \geq h/4\pi \quad \text{or} \quad \Delta\nu \geq [1/4\pi \Delta t] \quad \text{or} \quad \Delta\nu \sim 8 \times 10^6 \text{ cps}$$

$$\text{But } \Delta x = \lambda \quad \text{therefore } \Delta\nu \sim h/(h/p) \text{ m } 4\pi \sim v/4\pi$$

- 19 Estimate the minimum time spent by an atom in the excited state during the excitation & de-excitation process, when a spectral line of wavelength 546nm & width  $10^{-14}$  m is emitted.**

Solution :

$$\text{We have } E = hc/\lambda$$

$$\Delta E = [hc\Delta\lambda/\lambda^2] \text{ -----(1)}$$

Also  $\Delta E \Delta t \geq h/4\pi$  -----(2) Comparing eqns. (1) & (2) we get

$$\Delta t \sim (\lambda^2/4\pi)(1/c\Delta\lambda) \sim (546 \times 10^{-9})^2/4\pi \times 1/3 \times 10^8 \times 10^{-14} = 8 \times 10^{-9} \text{ s}$$

- 20 Compare the kinetic energy of a photon with that of an electron when both are associated with a wavelength 0.2nm.**

Solution:

$$KE_{\text{electron}} = p^2/2m = h^2/2m \lambda^2 \quad ; \quad KE_{\text{photon}} = hc/\lambda$$

$$[KE_{\text{electron}}]/[KE_{\text{photon}}] = [hc/\lambda] \times [2m \lambda^2 / h^2] = 2mc\lambda / h = [2 \times 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \times 3 \times 10^8 \times 0.2 \times 10^{-9}] / 6.63 \times 10^{-34}$$

$$[KE_{\text{electron}}]/[KE_{\text{photon}}] = [164.70/1]$$

## UNIT 2: ELECTRICAL & THERMAL PROPERTIES OF MATERIALS

- 1 **Calculate the Fermi energy of sodium assuming that the metal has one free electron per atom. Given the density of sodium = 970kg/m<sup>3</sup> and atomic weight of sodium = 22.99**

Solution:

$$E_F = (3/\pi)^{2/3} (h^2/8m)n^{2/3} = 3.65 \times 10^{-19} \times n^{2/3} \text{ eV} = 3.65 \times 10^{-19} \times (N/V)^{2/3} \text{ eV} \\ = 3.65 \times 10^{-19} \times (6.023 \times 10^{26} / [22.99/970])^{2/3} \text{ eV} = \mathbf{3.92 \text{ eV}}$$

Note: one free electron /atom means  $N_A$  atoms have  $N_A$  electrons

$n = N_A/V$  and  $V = \text{mass/density}$

- 2 **Find the average drift velocity of electrons in a copper conductor with cross sectional area of 10<sup>-6</sup>m<sup>2</sup> carrying a current of 4A. The atomic weight of Cu is 63.6 and density is 8.9g/cm<sup>3</sup>.  $N_A = 6.02 \times 10^{23}$**

Solution:

$$n = N_A/V = (N_A \times \text{density})/\text{mass} = (6.02 \times 10^{26} \times 8.9 \times 10^3)/63.6 = \mathbf{8.424 \times 10^{28}} \\ v_d = I/nAe = 4/(8.424 \times 10^{28} \times 10^{-6} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}) = \mathbf{3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m/s}}$$

- 3 **Find the relaxation time in a current carrying metallic wire. The metal has 5.8x10<sup>28</sup> conduction electrons/m<sup>3</sup> and its resistivity is 1.54x10<sup>-8</sup> ohm-m.**

Solution:

$$\sigma = 1/\rho = ne^2\tau/m \text{ or } \tau = m/ne^2\rho = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} / [5.8 \times 10^{28} \times (1.6 \times 10^{-19})^2 \times 1.54 \times 10^{-8}] = \mathbf{3.97 \times 10^{-14} \text{ s}}$$

- 4 **The free electron density of a conductor is 10<sup>25</sup>/m<sup>3</sup>. Find the drift velocity of the free electrons when the conductor has a current whose density is 1.12x10<sup>6</sup> amp/m<sup>2</sup>.**

Solution: Given data

$$n = 10^{25}/\text{m}^3, v_d = ?, J = 1.12 \times 10^6 \text{ amp/m}^2$$

$$\text{WKT, } J = I/A = q/tA = (nAL)e/(L/v_d) \times A = nev_d \text{ or } \\ v_d = J/ne = 1.12 \times 10^6 / 10^{25} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} = \mathbf{0.7 \text{ m/s}}$$

- 5 **Calculate the drift velocity & thermal velocity of conduction electrons in Al at 300K when an Al wire of length 5m & resistance 0.08ohm carries a current of 15A. Given the mobility of free electrons in Al is 1.28x10<sup>-3</sup> m<sup>2</sup>V<sup>-1</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>.**

Solution:

$$v_{th} = [3kT/m]^{1/2} = [3 \times 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 300 / 9.1 \times 10^{-31}]^{1/2} = \mathbf{1.168 \times 10^5 \text{ m/s}}$$

$$v_d = \mu E = \mu v/d = \mu RI/d = 1.28 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.08 \times 15 / 5 = \mathbf{3.07 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m/s}}$$

- 6 **What is the probability that a quantum state whose energy is 0.1eV above & below Fermi energy will be occupied? Assume a sample temperature of 800K**

Solution:

$$0.1 \text{ eV above } E_F \text{ implies } E_F + 0.1 = E \quad \text{i.e.} \quad E - E_F = 0.1 \text{ eV}$$

$$0.1 \text{ eV below } E_F \text{ implies } E_F - 0.1 = E \quad \text{i.e.} \quad E - E_F = -0.1 \text{ eV}$$

$$F(E) = 1/\{\exp[(E-E_F)/kT] + 1\} = \mathbf{0.19 \text{ or } 19\% \text{ above } E_F \text{ and}} \\ = \mathbf{0.81 \text{ or } 81\% \text{ below Fermi level}}$$

- 7 **Evaluate the Fermi function for an energy kT above the Fermi level.**

Solution:

$$kT \text{ above } E_F \text{ implies } E_F + kT = E \quad \text{i.e.} \quad E - E_F = kT$$

$$F(E) = 1/\{\exp[(E-E_F)/kT] + 1\} = 1/\{\exp[kT/kT] + 1\} = 1/(e+1) = 1/(2.718+1) = \mathbf{0.268}$$

- 8 **Show that the occupation probability at  $E = E_F + \Delta E$  is equal to the non-occupation probability at  $E = E_F - \Delta E$**

$F(E) = 1/\{\exp[(E-E_F)/kT]+1\}$  at  $E = E_F + \Delta E$  we have  $E - E_F = \Delta E$

Then  $F(E) = 1/\{\exp(\Delta E/kT)+1\}$  let  $x = \exp(\Delta E/kT)$

Non-occupation probability = 1 - occupation probability

$$= 1 - [1/(1+x)] = 1/[1+(1/x)] = 1/[1+\exp(-\Delta E/kT)]$$

at  $E = E_F - \Delta E$  we have  $E - E_F = -\Delta E$

- 9 **Find the temperature at which there is 1% probability that a state with an energy 0.5eV above Fermi energy will be occupied?**

Solution:

$F(E) = 1/\{\exp[(E-E_F)/kT]+1\}$  and  $E = E_F + 0.5$  or  $E - E_F = 0.5\text{eV} = 0.5 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}\text{J}$

$$1/100 = 1/\{\exp[0.5 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} / 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times T] + 1\}$$

$$T = 1261\text{K}$$

- 10 **A copper rod 19 cm long and having an area of cross section of  $0.785\text{cm}^2$  thermally insulated is heated at one end through  $100^\circ\text{C}$  while the other end is kept at  $30^\circ\text{C}$ . Calculate the amount of heat which will flow in 10 minutes along the way. Thermal conductivity of copper is  $380\text{ W/m/K}$ .**

Solution :

Given data  $A = 0.785\text{cm}^2 = 785 \times 10^{-7}\text{m}^2$ ,  $x = 19\text{cm} = 0.19\text{m}$ ,  $T_2 - T_1 = 100 - 30 = 70^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $t = 10 \times 60 = 600\text{s}$  and  $K = 380\text{ W/m/K}$

$$Q = [KA (T_2 - T_1)t]/x = 380 \times 785 \times 10^{-7} \times 70 \times 600 / 0.19 = 6.6 \times 10^3\text{J}$$

- 11 **The total area of the glass window pane is  $0.5\text{m}^2$ . Calculate how much heat is conducted per hour through the glass window pane if thickness of the glass is 6mm, the temperature of the inside surface is  $23^\circ\text{C}$  and of the outside surface is  $2^\circ\text{C}$ . Thermal conductivity of glass is  $0.1\text{ W/m/K}$ .**

Solution :

Given data  $A = 0.5\text{m}^2$ ,  $x = 6\text{mm} = 6 \times 10^{-3}\text{m}$ ,  $T_2 - T_1 = 23 - 2 = 21^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $t = 1\text{hr} = 3600\text{s}$  and  $K = 0.1\text{ W/m/K}$

$$Q = [KA (T_2 - T_1)t]/x = 0.1 \times 0.5 \times 21 \times 3600 / 6 \times 10^{-3} = 63 \times 10^5\text{J}$$

- 12 **Calculate the electrical and thermal conductivities for a metal with relaxation time  $10^{-14}$  second at  $300\text{K}$ . Also, calculate the Lorentz number using the above result (Density of electrons =  $6 \times 10^{28}\text{m}^{-3}$ ).**

Solution :

Given data  $\tau_r = 10^{-14}$  second,  $T = 300\text{K}$  and  $n = 6 \times 10^{28}\text{m}^{-3}$

$$\sigma = ne^2 \tau_r / m = [6 \times 10^{28} \times (1.6 \times 10^{-19})^2 \times 10^{-14}] / [9.1 \times 10^{-31}] = 1.687 \times 10^7\text{ ohm-m}$$

$$K = \frac{n\pi^2 k_B^2 T \tau_r}{3m} = [6 \times 10^{28} \times (3.14)^2 \times (1.38 \times 10^{-23})^2 \times 300 \times 10^{-14}] / [3 \times 9.1 \times 10^{-31}] = 124\text{ W/m/K}$$

$$L = K / \sigma T = 124 / (1.687 \times 10^7 \times 300) = 2.447 \times 10^{-8}\text{ W}\Omega\text{K}^{-2}$$

### UNIT 3: MATERIALS SCIENCE

- 1 Calculate the electronic polarizability of an isolated Se atom. The atomic radius of a Se atom is 0.12nm.

Solution:

Atomic radius of Se atom = 0.12nm

$$\text{electronic polarizability } \alpha_e = 4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3 = 4 \times 3.14 \times 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \times (0.12 \times 10^{-9})^3 = 1.9226 \times 10^{-40} \text{ Fm}^2$$

- 2 Argon gas contains  $2.7 \times 10^{25}$  atoms per  $\text{m}^3$  at  $0^\circ\text{C}$  and at 1 atmospheric pressure. Calculate the dielectric constant of the Ar gas at this temperature if the diameter of the Ar atom is 0.384nm.

Solution:

$$\text{Electronic polarizability } \alpha_e = 4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3 = 4 \times 3.14 \times 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \times (0.384 \times 10^{-9})^3 = 0.63 \times 10^{-40} \text{ Fm}^2$$

From Clausius-Mossotti relation we have

$$\frac{(\epsilon_r - 1)}{(\epsilon_r + 2)} = \frac{N\alpha}{3\epsilon_0} \text{ after substitution we get } \epsilon_r = 1.0001921$$

- 3 A solid contains  $5 \times 10^{28}$  identical atoms per  $\text{m}^3$ , each with a polarizability of  $2 \times 10^{-40} \text{ Fm}^2$ . Assuming that the internal field is given by the Lorentz relation, calculate the ratio of the internal field to the applied field.

Solution:

The Lorentz relation  $E_i = E + [P/3\epsilon_0]$

The Polarization  $P = N\alpha_e E_i = 5 \times 10^{28} \times 2 \times 10^{-40} \times E_i = 1 \times 10^{-11} \times E_i$

$$E_i = E + [1 \times 10^{-11} \times E_i / 3\epsilon_0]$$

$$[1 - (1 \times 10^{-11} / 3\epsilon_0)] E_i = E$$

$$[E_i / E] = 1 / [1 - (1 \times 10^{-11} / 3\epsilon_0)] = 1.60379$$

- 4 The dielectric constant of Helium at  $0^\circ\text{C}$  is 1.000074. The density of atoms is  $2.7 \times 10^{25}$  atoms per  $\text{m}^3$ . Calculate the dipole moment induced in each atom when the gas is in an electric field of  $3 \times 10^4 \text{ V/m}$ .

Solution:

Electronic polarizability  $\alpha_e$

$$\alpha_e = \frac{\epsilon_0(\epsilon_r - 1)}{N} = [8.854 \times 10^{-12} \times (0.000074)] / 2.7 \times 10^{25} = 2.4255 \times 10^{-41} \text{ Fm}^2$$

$$\text{Dipole moment} = \alpha_e E = 2.4255 \times 10^{-41} \times 3 \times 10^4 = 7.2767 \times 10^{-37} \text{ C-m}$$

- 5 What is the polarization produced in sodium chloride by an electric field of 500V/m. Given that its relative permittivity is 6?

Solution:

$$P = \epsilon_0 (\epsilon_r - 1) E = 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \times 5 \times 500 = 2.214 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C-m}^2$$

- 6 The atomic weight and density of Sulphur are 32 and  $2.08 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3$  respectively. The electronic polarizability of the atom is  $3.28 \times 10^{-40} \text{ Fm}^2$ . If Sulphur solid has cubic structure, calculate its dielectric constant.

Solution:

$$\frac{(\epsilon_r - 1)}{(\epsilon_r + 2)} = \frac{N\alpha}{3\epsilon_0}$$

$$N = N_A / V = 6.023 \times 10^{23} / (32 \times 10^{-3} / 2.08 \times 10^3) = 3.914 \times 10^{28}$$

$$\epsilon_r = 3.78$$

- 7 For intrinsic gallium arsenide, the room temperature electrical conductivity is  $10^{-6} \text{ } \Omega\text{-m}$ , the electron and hole mobilities are respectively  $0.85 \text{ m}^2/\text{Vs}$  and  $0.04 \text{ m}^2/\text{Vs}$ . Compute the intrinsic carrier concentration at room temperature.

**Solution:**

We know that  $\sigma_i = n_i e (\mu_e + \mu_h)$  or  $n_i = [\sigma_i / e (\mu_e + \mu_h)] = 10^{-6} / [1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times (0.85 + 0.04)] = 7 \times 10^{12} / \text{m}^3$

- 8 The following data are given for intrinsic germanium at 300K,  $n_i = 2.4 \times 10^{19} / \text{m}^3$ ,  $\mu_e = 0.85 \text{ m}^2/\text{Vs}$   $\mu_h = 0.04 \text{ m}^2/\text{Vs}$ . Calculate the resistivity of the sample.

**Solution:**

$\sigma_i = n_i e (\mu_e + \mu_h) = 1/\rho_i$  or  $\rho_i = 1/[n_i e (\mu_e + \mu_h)] = 1/[2.4 \times 10^{19} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times (0.39 + 0.19)] = 0.449 \text{ } \Omega\text{-m}$

- 9 Calculate the concentration at which donor atoms need to be added to a silicon semiconductor so that it results in an n-type semiconductor with a conductivity of  $2.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ S/m}$  and the mobility of electrons being  $125 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2/\text{Vs}$ .

**Solution:**

$\sigma_e = N_e e \mu_e$  or  $N_e = \sigma_e / e \mu_e = 2.2 \times 10^{-4} / [1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 125 \times 10^{-3}] = 1.1 \times 10^{16} / \text{m}^3$

- 10 The Hall coefficient of a material is  $-3.68 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3/\text{C}$ . What is the type of charge carriers? Also calculate the carrier concentration.

**Solution:**

$R_H = 1/\rho = 1/ne$  or  $n = 1/R_H e = 1/[3.68 \times 10^{-5} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}] = 1.7 \times 10^{23} / \text{m}^3$

- 11 The Hall coefficient of a specimen of doped silicon is found to be  $3.66 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3/\text{coulomb}$ . The resistivity of the specimen is  $9.93 \times 10^{-3} \text{ } \Omega\text{-m}$ . Find the mobility and density of the charge carrier, assuming single carrier conduction.

**Solution:**

$R_H = 1/ne = 1/N_h e$  or  $N_h = 1/R_H e = 1/[3.66 \times 10^{-4} \times 1.602 \times 10^{-19}] = 1.7055 \times 10^{22} / \text{m}^3$

Since we know  $\sigma_e = N_e e \mu_e$  and  $\sigma_h = N_h e \mu_h$  or  $\mu_h = 1/\rho_i N_h e = 1/[9.93 \times 10^{-3} \times 1.7055 \times 10^{22} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}]$

$\mu_h = 0.041 \text{ m}^2/\text{Vs}$



## UNIT 4: LASERS AND OPTICAL FIBERS

**1 Calculate the ratio of**

- i) Einstein coefficient and
- ii) Stimulated to spontaneous emissions for a system at 350K in which radiations of wavelength 1.5μm are emitted

Solution:

$$A_{21}/B_{12} = 8\pi h\nu^3/c^3 = 8\pi h/\lambda^3 = 8 \times 3.14 \times 6.63 \times 10^{-34} / (1.5 \times 10^{-6})^3 = \mathbf{4.93 \times 10^{-15}}$$

Also

$$\text{Rate of stimulated emission/Rate of spontaneous emission} = B_{21}N_2E(\nu)/A_{21}N_2 = B_{21}E(\nu)/A_{21} \text{ ---} \\ \text{-----(1)}$$

$$\text{But } E(\nu) = [8\pi h\nu^3/c^3][1/\{\exp(h\nu/kT) - 1\}] = \{A_{21}/B_{21}\}[1/\{\exp(h\nu/kT) - 1\}] \text{ -----(2)}$$

Comparing eqns.(1) & (2) we get

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{Rate of stimulated emission/Rate of spontaneous emission}] &= B_{21}E(\nu)/A_{21} \\ &= (B_{21}/A_{21}) (A_{21}/B_{21})[1/\exp(h\nu/kT) - 1] \\ &= [1/\exp(h\nu/kT) - 1] = \mathbf{1.19 \times 10^{-12}} \end{aligned}$$

**2 A pulse from a laser with power 1mW lasts for 10ns. If the number of photons emitted in a pulse is 3.491x10<sup>7</sup>, calculate the wavelength of laser.**

Solution: We have

$$\text{No. of photons} \times \text{Energy} = \text{Power} \times \text{Time}$$

$$\text{Energy} = (\text{Power} \times \text{Time}) / \text{No. of photons}$$

$$hc/\lambda = (1 \times 10^{-3} \times 10 \times 10^{-9}) / 3.491 \times 10^7 = 2.86 \times 10^{-19}$$

$$\lambda = hc / 2.86 \times 10^{-19} = \mathbf{6943 \text{ \AA}}$$

**3 At what temperature are the rates of spontaneous & stimulated emission equal? Given λ = 400nm.**

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{Rate of stimulated emission}] / [\text{Rate of spontaneous emission}] &= B_{21}N_2E(\nu)/A_{21}N_2 \\ &= B_{21}E(\nu)/A_{21} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{But } E(\nu) = [8\pi h\nu^3/c^3][1/\{\exp(h\nu/kT) - 1\}] = A_{21}/B_{21}[1/\{\exp(h\nu/kT) - 1\}]$$

$$[\text{Rate of stimulated emission}] / [\text{Rate of spontaneous emission}] = 1$$

$$(B_{21}/A_{21}) (A_{21}/B_{21})[1/\exp(h\nu/kT) - 1] = 1$$

$$\exp(h\nu/kT) - 1 = 1$$

$$\exp(h\nu/kT) = 2 \quad \text{or} \quad h\nu/kT = \ln 2 \quad \text{or}$$

$$T = hc/\lambda k \ln 2 = [6.634 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^8] / [400 \times 10^{-9} \times 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 0.6931] = \mathbf{52019 \text{ K}}$$

**4 Calculate the NA, relative refractive index difference, V-number and no. of modes in an optical fiber of core diameter 50μm, core & cladding RIs 1.41 & 1.40 at wavelength 820nm.**

Solution:

$$NA = [(n_1)^2 - (n_2)^2]^{1/2} / n_0 = [(1.41)^2 - (1.40)^2]^{1/2} = \mathbf{0.167}$$

$$V = (\pi d/\lambda) NA = [(3.14 \times 50 \times 10^{-6}) / 820 \times 10^{-9}] \times 0.167 = \mathbf{31.97}$$

$$\text{No. of modes} = V^2/2 = \mathbf{511}$$

- 5 An optical fiber has cladding of RI 1.50 & NA 0.39. Find the RI of the core and the acceptance angle

Solution:

$$NA = [(n_1)^2 - (n_2)^2]^{1/2} \text{ or } (n_1)^2 = (NA)^2 + (n_2)^2 = (0.39)^2 + (1.50)^2 \text{ or } n_1 = 1.54$$

Also we know that  $NA = \sin \theta_a$  or  $\theta_a = \sin^{-1}(0.39) = 22.92$  degree

- 6 The attenuation of light in an optical fiber is estimated at 2.2dB/km. What fractional initial intensity remains after 8km?

Solution:

Given,  $\alpha = 2.2\text{dB/km}$ ,  $L = 8\text{km}$ ,  $[P_{out}/P_{in}] = ?$

$$\alpha = (-10/L) \log_{10}[P_{out}/P_{in}] \text{ dB/km}$$

$$\log_{10}[P_{out}/P_{in}] = -\alpha L / 10 = -2.2 \times 8 / 10 = -1.76$$

$$[P_{out}/P_{in}] = 10^{-1.76} = 0.0173$$

- 7 Calculate the number of modes that an optical fiber would transmit with the following data.  $n_{core} = 1.50$ ,  $n_{clad} = 1.48$ , core radius =  $50\mu\text{m}$ ,  $\lambda = 1\mu\text{m}$

Solution:

$$V = (\pi d / \lambda) NA = (3.14 / 1 \times 10^{-6}) \times [(1.50)^2 - (1.48)^2]^{1/2} = 76.65$$

$$\text{No. of modes} = V^2 / 2 = 5875$$

- 8 The numerical aperture of an optical fiber is 0.39. If the difference in the RIs of the material of its core & the cladding is 0.05, calculate the RI of the material of the core.

Solution:

Given  $NA = 0.39$ ,  $n_1 - n_2 = 0.05$ ,  $n_1 = ?$  and let  $n_0 = 1$

$$\text{We have } NA = [(n_1)^2 - (n_2)^2]^{1/2} / n_0$$

$$[NA \times n_0]^2 = [(n_1 - n_2)(n_1 + n_2)] = [(0.05)(n_1 + n_2)]$$

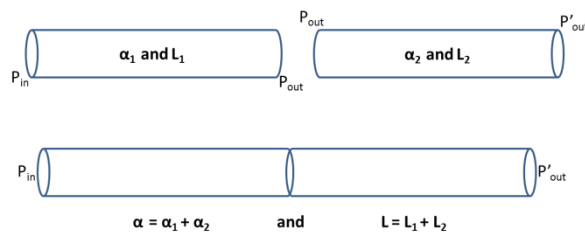
$$(n_1 + n_2) = [0.39 \times 1]^2 / 0.05 = 3.042$$

$$0.05 + n_2 + n_2 = 3.042$$

$$n_2 = 1.546 \text{ \& } n_1 = 0.05 + n_2 = 1.596$$

- 9 Two optical fibers A & B of lengths  $L_1$  &  $L_2$  are connected in series. The output of A is fed as input of B. If the attenuation coefficients of A & B are  $\alpha_1$  &  $\alpha_2$  respectively then show that the attenuation coefficient of the combination of the optical fiber as  $[\alpha_1 L_1 + \alpha_2 L_2] / [L_1 + L_2]$

Solution:



$$\alpha_1 = (-10/L_1) \log_{10}[P_{out}/P_{in}] \text{ or } \log_{10}[P_{out}/P_{in}] = (-\alpha_1 L_1 / 10) \text{ -----(1)}$$

$$\alpha_2 = (-10/L_2) \log_{10}[P'_{out}/P_{out}] \text{ or } \log_{10}[P'_{out}/P_{out}] = (-\alpha_2 L_2 / 10) \text{ -----(2)}$$

$$\alpha = (-10/L_1 + L_2) \log_{10}[P'_{out}/P_{in}] = (-10/L_1 + L_2) [\log_{10}(P'_{out}/P_{out}) + \log_{10}(P_{out}/P_{in})]$$

$$\alpha = (-10/L_1 + L_2) [\log_{10}(P'_{out}/P_{out}) + \log_{10}(P_{out}/P_{in})]$$

$$\alpha = (-10/L_1 + L_2) (-\alpha_2 L_2 / 10 - \alpha_1 L_1 / 10)$$

$$\alpha = [\alpha_1 L_1 + \alpha_2 L_2] / [L_1 + L_2]$$

## Unit 5 : Theory of Oscillations

**1. A 3.94 kg block extends a spring 15.7 cm from its un stretched position. The block is removed and a 0.520 kg object is suspended from the same spring and is set into oscillations. Find the period of oscillation.**

Solution:  $M=3.94$  kg,  $x=15.7$  cm

$m=0.520$  kg what is period?

$$Mg = kx \Rightarrow k = \frac{Mg}{x} = \frac{3.94 \times 9.8}{0.157}$$

$$= 245.9 \text{ N m}^{-1}$$

Now the spring is set into oscillations with mass  $m=0.520$  kg

$$\text{The period } T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{0.520}{245.9}} = 0.298 \text{ s}$$

**2. A particle executes SHM of amplitude 5 cm. When the particle is 3 cm from the mean position its acceleration is found to be  $48 \text{ cm s}^{-2}$ . Calculate (a) its velocity at the same instant, (b) its time period and (c) its maximum velocity.**

Solution:  $x_m=5$  cm;  $x=3$  cm;  $a=48 \text{ cm s}^{-2}$

(a) Velocity at position  $x$  is

$$v = \pm \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}(x_m^2 - x^2)} \text{ we need to find } k/m$$

$$ma = kx \text{ gives } \frac{k}{m} = \frac{a}{x} = \frac{48}{3} = 16 \text{ s}^{-2}$$

$$\therefore v = \pm \sqrt{16(25 - 9)} = \sqrt{16 \times 16} = 16 \text{ cm s}^{-1}$$

$$(b) \text{ Time period } T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{1}{16}} = 1.57 \text{ s}$$

(c) Maximum velocity occurs at  $x=0$

$$v_{\max} = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m} x_m^2} = \sqrt{16 \times 25} = 20 \text{ cm s}^{-1}$$

**3. A 5.22 kg object is attached to the bottom of a spring and set vibrating. The maximum speed of the object is 15.3 cm s<sup>-1</sup>, and the period is 645 ms. Find (a) the force constant, (b) the amplitude of the motion and (c) the frequency of oscillation.**

Solution: m=5.22 kg, v<sub>max</sub>=15.3 cm s<sup>-1</sup>, T=0.645 s

$$(c) f = \frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{0.645} = 1.55 \text{ Hz}$$

$$(a) T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} \Rightarrow k = \frac{4\pi^2 m}{T^2}$$

$$= \frac{4\pi^2 \times 5.22}{0.645^2} = 495.3 \text{ N m}^{-1}$$

(b)

$$v_{\max} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{k}{m} x_m^2} \Rightarrow x_m = \frac{v_{\max}}{\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}}$$

$$= \frac{0.153}{94.89} = 1.57 \text{ cm}$$

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**4. A certain spring hangs vertically. When a body of mass M=1.65 kg is suspended from it, its length increases by 7.33 cm. The spring is then mounted horizontally, and a block of mass m=2.43 kg is attached to the spring. The block is free to slide along a frictionless horizontal surface. Calculate (a) the force constant of the spring, (b) how much horizontal force is required to stretch the spring by a distance of 11.6 cm? and (c) when the block is displaced a distance of 11.6 cm and released, with what period it will oscillate?**

Solution: M=1.65 kg, x=0.0733 m

M=2.43 kg, x=0.116 m

(a) At equilibrium,

$$kx = Mg \Rightarrow k = \frac{Mg}{x}$$

$$= \frac{1.65 \times 9.8}{0.0733} \text{ N m}^{-1}$$

(b) Using Hooke's law

$$F = kx = 221 \times 0.116 = 25.6 \text{ N}$$

(c) Period

$$T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{2.43}{221}} = 0.6589 \text{ s}$$
$$= 659 \text{ ms}$$

**5. The vibration frequencies of atoms in a solid are of the order of 10 THz at normal temperatures. Imagine the atoms to be connected to one another by springs. Suppose that a single silver atom vibrates with this frequency and all other atoms are at rest. Compute the effective force constant. One mole of silver has a mass of 108 g and contains  $6.02 \times 10^{23}$  atoms.**

Solution: Mass of  $N_A$  silver atoms =  $108 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg}$

Mass of one atom of silver is

$$m = \frac{108 \times 10^{-3}}{6.02 \times 10^{23}} \text{ kg}$$

The angular frequency

$$\omega = 2\pi f = 2\pi \times 10^{12} = 6.2813 \times 10^{13} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{k}{m} \text{ gives } k = \omega^2 m$$

$$\text{i. e., } k = (6.2813 \times 10^{13})^2 \times \frac{108 \times 10^{-3}}{6.02 \times 10^{23}}$$
$$= 708.2 \text{ N m}^{-1}$$

**6. An automobile can be considered to be mounted on four springs as far as vertical oscillations are concerned. The springs of a certain car of mass 1460 kg are adjusted so that the vibrations have frequency of 2.95 Hz. (a) Find the force constant of each spring (assumed identical) and (b) what will be the vibration frequency if five persons, averaging 73.2 kg each ride the car?**

Solution: The total mass = 1460 kg. This load is equally divided among the four springs. Therefore, load

$$\text{on each spring is } m = \frac{1460}{4} = 365 \text{ kg}$$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{k}{m} \text{ gives } k = m\omega^2 = (2\pi)^2 m f^2$$

$$k = (2\pi)^2 \times 365 \times 2.95^2 = 125399.7 \text{ N m}^{-1}$$

Now, when five persons are riding the car, the load on the springs increase.

$$\text{The total load is } = 1460 + 73.2 \times 5 = 1829 \text{ kg}$$

Now the effective load on each spring is

$$m = \frac{1826}{4} 456.5 \text{ kg}.$$

Now,

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{125399.7}{465.5}} = 16.57 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$$

$$f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \frac{16.57}{2\pi} = 2.63 \text{ Hz}$$

**7. In a thought experiment a tunnel is drilled through the Earth from pole to pole. A body of mass 10 kg is dropped at one pole. The body executes SHM. Find (a) its period, (b) force acting on the body, and (c) the velocity of the body when it crosses the center of the Earth.**

Given: Radius of the Earth  $R_E = 6000 \text{ km}$

Solution: We have

$$mg = kx \Rightarrow \frac{k}{m} = \frac{g}{x} = \frac{9.8}{6000 \times 10^3}$$

$$\frac{k}{m} = 1.633 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s}^{-2}$$

$$\frac{m}{k} = 6.122 \times 10^5 \text{ s}^2$$

(a) Period,

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} = 2\pi \sqrt{6.122 \times 10^5} = 4916 \text{ s}$$

$$= 1 \text{ h } 21 \text{ m } 57 \text{ s}$$

(b) Force,

$$F = mg = 10 \times 9.8 = 98 \text{ N}$$

(c) Maximum velocity occurs when the particle crosses the center of the Earth.

$$v_{\text{at the center}} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{k}{m} x_m^2 - x^2}$$

$$v = \pm \sqrt{1.633 \times 10^{-6} \times [(6000 \times 1000)^2 - 0^2]}$$

$$= \pm 7667 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

**8. The amplitude of an oscillator of frequency 200 cycles per second falls to 1/10 of its initial value after 2000 cycles. Calculate (a) its relaxation time, (b) quality factor, (c) time during which the energy falls to 1/10 of its initial value, and (d) the damping constant.**

Solution: The instantaneous amplitude of a damped oscillator is

$$x = Pe^{-bt}$$

(d) Let  $x=x_0$  at  $t=0$  s be the initial amplitude.

Since the frequency is 200 cycles/second, 2000 cycles correspond to 10 s.

Therefore, after 10 s, the amplitude is  $x_0/10$ .

$$\frac{x_0}{10} = x_0 e^{-b \times 10} \Rightarrow 10 = e^{10b}$$

$$\ln 10 = 10b$$

$$\therefore b = \frac{\ln 10}{10} = 0.23 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

(a) Relaxation time,

$$\tau = \frac{1}{2b} = \frac{1}{2 \times 0.23} = 2.172 \text{ s}$$

(b) Quality factor,

$$Q = 2\pi f\tau = 2\pi \times 200 \times 2.174 = 2730$$

$$E = E_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \text{ gives } \frac{E_0}{10} = E_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

$$(c) \therefore e^{\frac{t}{\tau}} = 10 \Rightarrow \ln 10 = \frac{t}{\tau}$$
$$t = \tau \ln 10 = 2.174 \times 2.3 = 5 \text{ s}$$

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**9. The Q factor of a spring loaded with 0.3 kg is 60. It vibrates with a frequency of 2 Hz. Calculate the force constant and the mechanical resistance.**

Solution: Frequency of an un damped oscillator is  $f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$ .

Therefore,

$$f^2 = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{k}{m} \text{ gives } k = 4\pi^2 f^2 m$$

$$k = 4 \times \pi^2 \times 4 \times 0.3 = 47.37 \text{ N m}^{-1}$$

The quality factor,

$$Q = \omega\tau = \frac{\omega}{2b} = \frac{\omega}{rm}$$

$$r = \frac{\omega m}{Q} = \frac{2\pi f m}{Q} = \frac{2 \times \pi \times 2 \times 0.3}{60}$$

$$= 0.06282 \text{ kg m}^{-1}$$

**10. An oscillator starts with an initial amplitude of 5 cm, with period,  $T=0.897$  s. The damping forces in the system with coefficient  $b=0.075 \text{ s}^{-1}$  continuously reduce the amplitude. Calculate the logarithmic decrement and amplitudes after first and second periods of motion.**

Given:  $b=0.075 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $T=0.897 \text{ s}$

Solution: logarithmic decrement

$$\lambda = bT = 0.075 \times 0.899 = 0.07627$$

Ratio of successive amplitudes

$$\frac{x_0}{x_1} = e^{bT} = 1.0695$$

$$x_1 = \frac{x_0}{\frac{x_0}{x_1}} = \frac{x_0}{1.0695} = 4.674 \text{ cm}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{x_1}{\frac{x_1}{x_2}} = \frac{x_1}{1.0695} = 4.371 \text{ cm}$$

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