

Infra-red part of spectrum: (12)

Paschen series ( $n_a = 3$ )  $\rightarrow$  starts at  $18751 \text{ \AA}^\circ$

Brackett Series ( $n_a = 4$ )  $\rightarrow$  starts at  $40500 \text{ \AA}^\circ$

Pfund series ( $n_a = 5$ )  $\rightarrow$  at  $74000 \text{ \AA}^\circ$

The set of quantities  $R/n_a^2 \rightarrow$  terms.

Rydberg  $\rightarrow$  for other atoms, particularly the alkalis, the frequencies of lines could be represented

approximately as difference of terms  $T_n$ , where

$$T_n = R/(n+\alpha)^2, \quad n=1,2,3 \dots (5)$$

$\alpha \rightarrow$  constant for each particular series.

Ritz  $\rightarrow$  The frequencies of all lines can be represented by the difference of terms.

$\Rightarrow$  if lines of frequencies  $\nu_{12}$  and  $\nu_{23}$  can be represented as  $\nu_{12} = T_1 - T_2$ ;  $\nu_{23} = T_2 - T_3$  --- (6)

then a line of frequency  $\nu_{13}$  will usually exist, where

$$\nu_{13} = (T_1 - T_2) + (T_2 - T_3) = T_1 - T_3 \text{ --- (7)}$$

This is an example, "Ritz Combination Principle"

$\Rightarrow$  If lines at frequencies  $\nu_{ij}$  and  $\nu_{jk}$  exist in spectrum with  $j > i$  and  $k > j$  then

there will generally a line at  $\nu_{ik}$ , where

$$\nu_{ik} = \nu_{ij} + \nu_{jk} \text{ --- (8)}$$

## Important to note

Not all combinations of frequencies are observed  
 ↳ certain selection rules will be applied

## Atomic Units:

Bohr radius: -  $a_0$  → radius of the orbit of the electron in the ground state of hydrogen

$$a_0 = \frac{(4\pi\epsilon_0)\hbar^2}{me^2} = 5.29177 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m} \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

$$\approx 0.529 \text{ \AA}$$

$a_0$  → unit of length is atomic units

Correspondingly

mass of the electron → unit of mass

$\hbar$  → unit of angular momentum

Unit of charge is taken to be the absolute magnitude 'e' of the electronic charge

and the permittivity of free space  $\epsilon_0$  is  $(\frac{1}{4\pi})$

⇒ In atomic units ( $m = \hbar = e = 1$ ,  $4\pi\epsilon_0 = 1$ )

$$\Rightarrow E_n = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{Z^2}{n^2} \text{ (a.u.)} \quad \text{--- (10)}$$

The Ground state energy of hydrogen ( $Z=1$ ,  $n=1$ ) is  $-\frac{1}{2}$  a.u.

⇒ Atomic unit of energy is equivalent to 27.2 eV.

The atomic unit of velocity is equal

to the velocity ( $v_0$ ) of the electron is the first Bohr orbit of hydrogen.

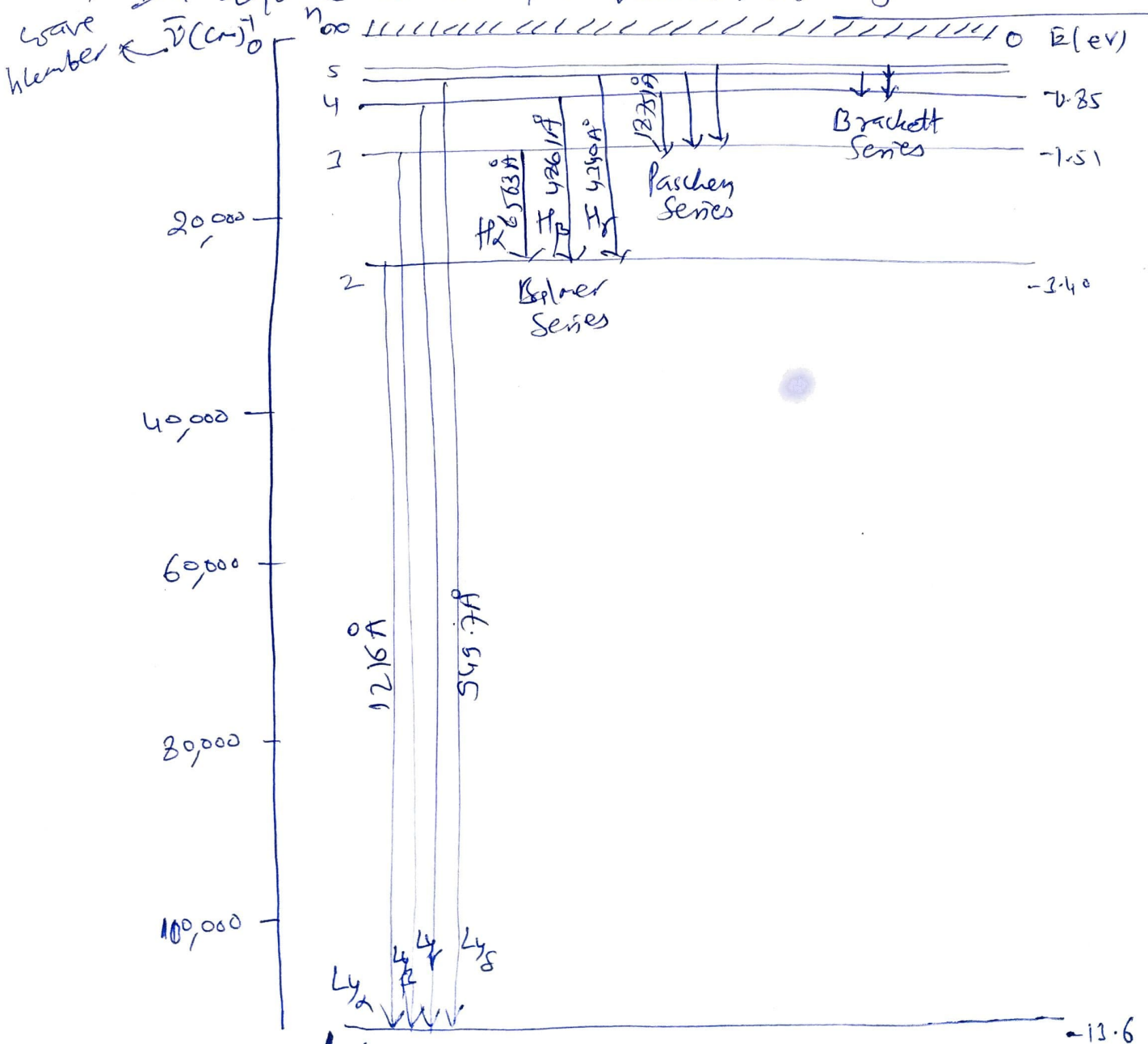
$$v_0 = \frac{e^2}{(4\pi\epsilon_0)\hbar} = \alpha c \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$\alpha \rightarrow$  dimensionless constant

$$\alpha = \frac{e^2}{(4\pi\epsilon_0)\hbar c} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

fine structure constant  $\alpha \approx \frac{1}{137}$

$\Rightarrow$  In atomic units the velocity of light is  $c \approx 137 a.u.$



Hydrogen I spectrum

## Hydrogen II

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Ionized hydrogen, hydrogen II (H-II)  $\rightarrow$  hydrogen atom that has lost its electron and is positively charged.

It is detected at optical wavelengths as it releases a photon of wavelength 656.3 nm when it recaptures an electron and returns to its neutral state.

Exist throughout galaxies and interstellar gas clouds called H II regions.

The UV, visible and IR spectra of H II regions are very rich in emission lines. H II regions are also observed at radio wavelengths emitting so-called free-free emission from thermalized electrons and radio recombination lines from highly excited states of H, He and some metals.

### Fine Structure of H $\alpha$ Line

H $\alpha$  line of hydrogen spectrum  $\rightarrow$  electron jumps from  $n=3$  to  $n=2$ .

While explaining the fine structure of spectral lines  $\rightarrow$  it should be emphasized that all the theoretically possible transitions are not allowed.

Bohr theory  $\rightarrow$  no restriction on the change in the value of  $n$  for the observed transitions.

Bohr-Sommerfeld  $\rightarrow$  still no restrictions on the value of  $n$ .

Only those transitions are observed for which  $\Delta k = \pm 1$ , azimuthal quantum number changes by  $\pm 1$ .

We calculate the shift of hydrogen ~~transitions~~ in the units of  $\Delta T / R\alpha^2$ .

$$\Delta T = R\alpha^2 \frac{z^4}{n^4} \left( \frac{n}{k} - \frac{3}{4} \right)$$

$T_n = -\frac{E_n}{ch}$

for hydrogen  $z = 1$

The values  $\frac{\Delta T}{R\alpha^2}$  for different states are given below;

$3_3 \rightarrow$  total quantum number 3  $3_3 = \frac{1}{3^4} \left( \frac{3}{3} - \frac{3}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{3^4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \quad \text{--- (1)}$

and  $3_2 = \frac{1}{3^4} \left( \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{3^4} \cdot \frac{3}{4} \quad \text{--- (2)}$

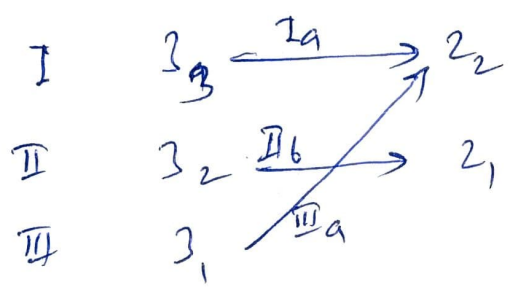
azimuthal quantum number 3  $3_1 = \frac{1}{3^4} \left( \frac{3}{1} - \frac{3}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{3^4} \cdot \frac{9}{4} \quad \text{--- (3)}$

$2_2 = \frac{1}{2^4} \left( \frac{2}{2} - \frac{3}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{2^4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \quad \text{--- (4)}$

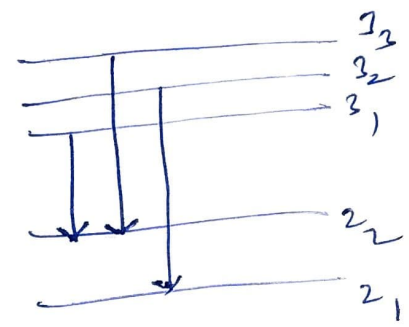
$2_1 = \frac{1}{2^4} \left( \frac{2}{1} - \frac{3}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{2^4} \cdot \frac{5}{4} \quad \text{--- (5)}$

eg (1),(2),(3) and (a),(b) → displaced lines with the magnitude noted against each.

When ~~no~~ ~~real~~ relativity corrections applied the (1),(2) and (3) lines combine into one and (a),(b) into another



(a)



(b)

Allowed transitions (fine structure of H<sub>2</sub> line)