

1. De Broglie – postulates that matter can manifest wave behavior. $\lambda = h/p = h/mv$

2. Early models of the atom:

JJ Thomson – Plum pudding. Electrons imbedded in a positive goo (to make the atom neutral)

Rutherford – Sends Alpha particles (“bullets” – 2 protons – 2 Neutrons – a He nucleus) through thin Gold foil. Some bounce back. Thomson’s model won’t explain this. Rutherford’s model introduces the nucleus of the atom as a large dense positively charged thing, with electrons in orbit around it.

Closest approach problems: set $K_e = P_e$: $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = Vq = (kq/r)q = (kZe/r)2e$

So $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = (kZe/r)2e$ where m and v = mass and velocity of the alpha, Ze = atomic number * electron charge = Nucleus charge, and $2e$ = the charge on the alpha

$$m = 2m_p + 2m_n = (2 \cdot 1.673E-27 + 2 \cdot 1.675E-27)$$

3. Bohr Atom:

Rydberg’s formula predicts the spectral lines of Hydrogen

Balmer’s series (visible) $1/\lambda = R(1/2^2 - 1/n^2)$ $n = 3, 4, 5$, middle wavelength, middle energy

Lymns’s series (UV) $1/\lambda = R(1/1^2 - 1/n^2)$ $n = 2, 3, 4$ short wavelength, high energy

Paschen’s series (IR) $1/\lambda = R(1/3^2 - 1/n^2)$ $n = 4, 5, 6$ long wavelength, low energy

$$R = 1.097E7 \text{ m}^{-1}$$

Bohr’s model needed to explain the Rydberg formula.

Bohr’s quantum hypothesis: $L = nh/2\pi$ since $L = I\omega$ and $I = mr^2$, and $\omega = v/r$, then you get $mr^2v = nh/2\pi$

$$\text{So } v = nh/2\pi mr$$

Orbit condition: $mv^2/r = kqq/r^2$ since $q = e$, and $q = Ze$, this becomes: $mv^2/r = kZe^2/r^2$ so then $r = n^2h^2/4\pi^2kZe^2m$ which is the formula for the Bohr Radius if $Z = 1$, and $n = 1$

Energy: the energy of a state is given by $E_n = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - Vq = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - (kZe/r)e$ Then all heck breaks loose.