

b.) (10 pts.) The law of physics that explains the voltage difference is named after (circle one)

Coulomb      Ampere      Faraday      Maxwell      Gauss      Biot-Savart

3.) A proton is moving with speed equal to 0.8 times the speed of light.

a.) (10 pts.) Determine its total energy in MeV (1 MeV =  $10^6$  eV).

$$E = \frac{mc^2}{\sqrt{1-u^2/c^2}} = \frac{(1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg})(9 \times 10^{16} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2)}{\sqrt{1-0.64}} = \frac{1.503 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J}}{0.8} = \frac{1.503 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J}}{1.6 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J/MeV}} = \underline{\underline{1566 \text{ MeV}}}$$

b.) (10 pts.) Determine its kinetic energy in MeV.

$$K = E - mc^2 = 1566 - 939 = \underline{\underline{627 \text{ MeV}}}$$

c.) (15 pts.) A neutron is slightly more massive than a proton, by the amount  $1.95 \times 10^{-30}$  kg. Because of this the neutron can decay into a proton plus other forms of energy. Determine how much other energy can be released.

$$m_n c^2 = m_p c^2 + E \quad \text{where } E \text{ is the other energy}$$

$$\text{so } E = (m_n - m_p) c^2 = \frac{(1.95 \times 10^{-30} \text{ kg})(9 \times 10^{16} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2)}{1.6 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J/MeV}} = \underline{\underline{1.1 \text{ MeV}}}$$

4.) An atom has four bound states with energies equal to -6.8 eV, -4.3 eV, -2.5 eV and -1.4 eV. It may be helpful to make an energy-ladder diagram for the following.

\_\_\_\_\_ -1.4 eV

\_\_\_\_\_ -2.5 eV

\_\_\_\_\_ -4.3 eV

\_\_\_\_\_ -6.8 eV

ground state is the lowest energy

a.) (15 pts.) What is the longest wave length of a photon that can be absorbed by the atom?

$$\lambda = \frac{hc}{E_{\text{photon}}}, \quad E_{\text{photon}} = |E_i(\text{atom}) - E_f(\text{atom})| = \text{smallest } E_{\text{photon}} \text{ gives longest } \lambda$$

$$\text{so } E_f = -4.3 \text{ eV} \\ E_i = -6.8 \text{ eV} \quad (\text{atom is in ground state}) \\ E_{\text{ph}} = 2.5 \text{ eV} \quad \lambda = \frac{1240 \text{ eV nm}}{2.5} = \underline{\underline{496 \text{ nm}}}$$

b.) (15 pts.) If the atom is in its second excited state above the ground state, it will decay quickly by emitting photons. Determine all the possible photon wave lengths.

$E_i = -2.5 \text{ eV}$  is 2<sup>nd</sup> excited state

$$E_{\text{ph}} = 1.8 \text{ eV on } 4.3 \text{ eV}$$

on 2.5 eV

(from 1<sup>st</sup> excited state to ground state)

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$$\lambda = \frac{1240}{1.8} = \underline{\underline{689 \text{ nm}}}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1240}{4.3} = \underline{\underline{289 \text{ nm}}}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1240}{2.5} = \underline{\underline{496 \text{ nm}}}$$