

8 (a) State what is meant by the de Broglie wavelength.

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(b) Calculate the de Broglie wavelength of an electron moving at a speed of $4.9 \times 10^7 \text{ ms}^{-1}$.

wavelength = m [2]

(c) State **one** similarity and **one** difference between an electron and a positron.

similarity:

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difference:

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(d) An electron moving at a speed of $4.9 \times 10^7 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ collides with a positron that is travelling at the same speed in the opposite direction. As a result of the collision, two gamma-ray photons are produced.

(i) State the name of this type of reaction.

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(ii) State what happens to the electron and to the positron.

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(iii) Explain why two gamma-ray photons are produced, rather than just one.

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(iv) Show that the kinetic energy of the electron before the collision is $1.1 \times 10^{-15} \text{ J}$.

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(v) Use the information in (d)(iv) to determine, to three significant figures, the wavelength associated with the gamma radiation emitted in the collision.

wavelength = m [3]

[Total: 13]

9 (a) (i) Describe what is meant by wave–particle duality.

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(ii) State the relationship between the de Broglie wavelength λ of a particle and its momentum p . State the meaning of any other symbols that you use.

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(b) A narrow beam of electrons, all with the same speed, is incident normally on a carbon film. The electrons then move on to a fluorescent screen, as illustrated in Fig. 9.1.

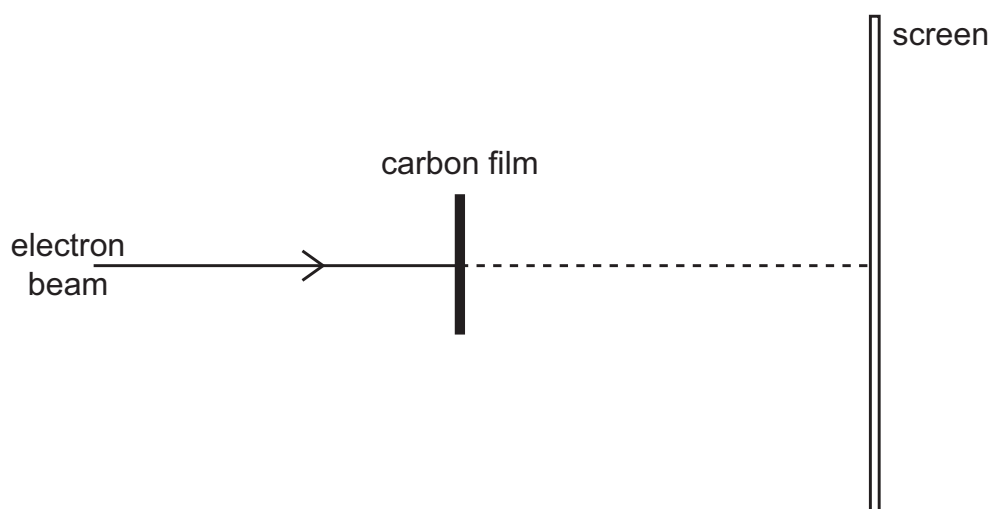


Fig. 9.1

The apparatus is in a vacuum.

The pattern produced on the screen is shown in Fig. 9.2.

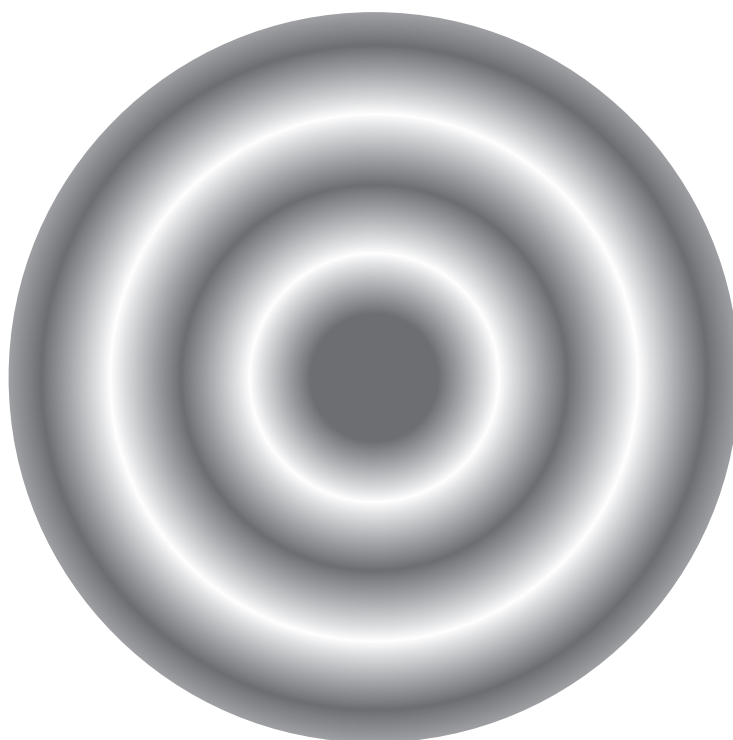


Fig. 9.2 (not to scale)

- (i) Explain why the pattern in Fig. 9.2 provides experimental evidence to indicate a wave nature for the electrons.

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- (ii) The speed of the electrons is increased.

Suggest, with a reason, how this change affects the pattern observed on the screen.

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[Total: 8]

9 Electrons in a vacuum are accelerated from rest through a potential difference (p.d.) V to form a beam. The electrons each have mass m and charge q .

The beam is incident on a graphite crystal that acts as a diffraction grating. After passing through the crystal, the beam reaches a fluorescent screen. An interference pattern is observed on this screen.

(a) Explain what this observation shows about the nature of electrons.

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(b) Determine an expression, in terms of m , q and V , for the momentum p of an electron in the beam.

$p =$ [3]

(c) The p.d. through which the electrons are accelerated is now increased to a greater value.
Describe and explain the effect of this change on the interference pattern observed.

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(d) The electrons are now accelerated through different values of V , resulting in pairs of corresponding values for p and the de Broglie wavelength λ .

(i) On Fig. 9.1, sketch the variation of p with $\frac{1}{\lambda}$.

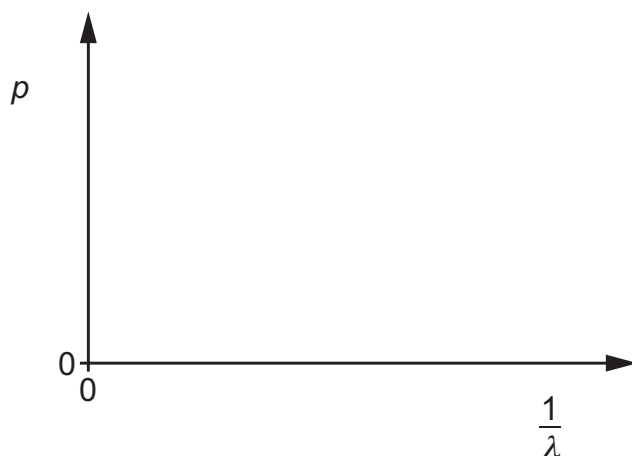


Fig. 9.1

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(ii) State the name of the quantity represented by the gradient of the line in Fig. 9.1.

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[Total: 9]