

## 2011 I: Q3 Diagnostics

a.) For nonrelativistic electrons we can use the dipole approximation for the scattered field. So  $\vec{E}_s = \frac{r_e}{R} \hat{s} \times \hat{s} \times \vec{E}_i$ , where  $\vec{E}_i$  is the incident wave ( $\vec{v} = -\frac{e}{m} \vec{E}_i$ ). Then  $\frac{dP}{d\Omega_s} = R^2 c \epsilon_0 |\vec{E}_s|^2$

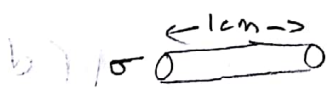
$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega_s} = r_e^2 c \epsilon_0 \sin^2 \phi |\vec{E}_i|^2 \quad \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_s} = \frac{dP/d\Omega_s}{c \epsilon_0 |\vec{E}_i|^2} \leftarrow \text{scatter power}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_s} = r_e^2 \sin^2 \phi \quad \sigma = \int \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_s} d\Omega_s = \int \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_s} 2\pi \sin \phi d\phi$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &= \int r_e^2 2\pi \sin^3 \phi d\phi = 2\pi r_e^2 \int_0^\pi d\phi \sin \phi (1 - \cos^2 \phi) \\ &= 2\pi r_e^2 \left[ -\cos \phi \Big|_0^\pi - \int_0^\pi \sin \phi \cos^2 \phi d\phi \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} u = \cos \phi \\ du = -\sin \phi d\phi \end{array} \\ &= 2\pi r_e^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{3} \cos^2 \phi \Big|_0^\pi \right] \\ &= 2\pi r_e^2 \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{3} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\sigma = \frac{8\pi}{3} r_e^2}$$

b.) Thomson scattering is from incident photons.



$$N_{\text{scatt}} = n_0 \sigma \Delta x \cdot N_{\text{incoming}}$$

$$\text{Fraction scattered into } 0.01 \text{ str} = \frac{N_{\text{scatt}}}{N_{\text{incoming}}} = n_0 \sigma \Delta x \left( \frac{0.01}{4\pi} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f &= (2 \times 10^{20}) \frac{8\pi}{3} (2.8 \times 10^{-15}) (2.8 \times 10^{-15}) (1 \times 10^{-2}) \frac{(1 \times 10^{-2})}{4\pi} \\ &\approx 4 \times 3 \times 10^{20} \times 10^{-15} \times 10^{-15} \times 10^{-4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\approx 12 \times 10^{-14} \quad 10^{-10}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{f_{\text{scatt}} \sim 1 \times 10^{-13}}$$