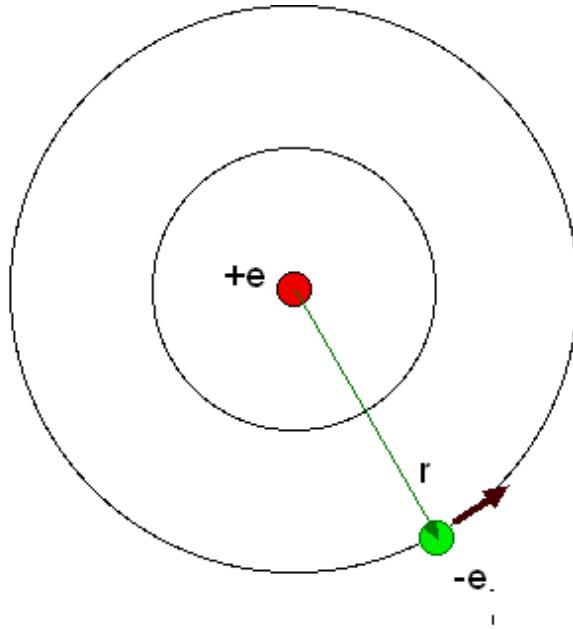


**Bohr model of hydrogen**  
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### 1. Bohr model

We now consider the Bohr model shown in this figure. The system consists of a proton and an electron. These two particles are coupled with an attractive Coulomb interaction.



The total energy is a sum of kinetic energy and potential energy.

$$E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

$$m\frac{v^2}{r} = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2},$$

or

$$mv^2r = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \quad (1)$$

or

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} - \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} = -\frac{e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

The kinetic energy  $K$  is

$$K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

The period  $T$  is given by

$$T = \frac{2\pi r}{v} = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}.$$

where  $\omega$  is the angular frequency.

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The postulate D:

$$K = \frac{nh}{2} f_{orb} = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

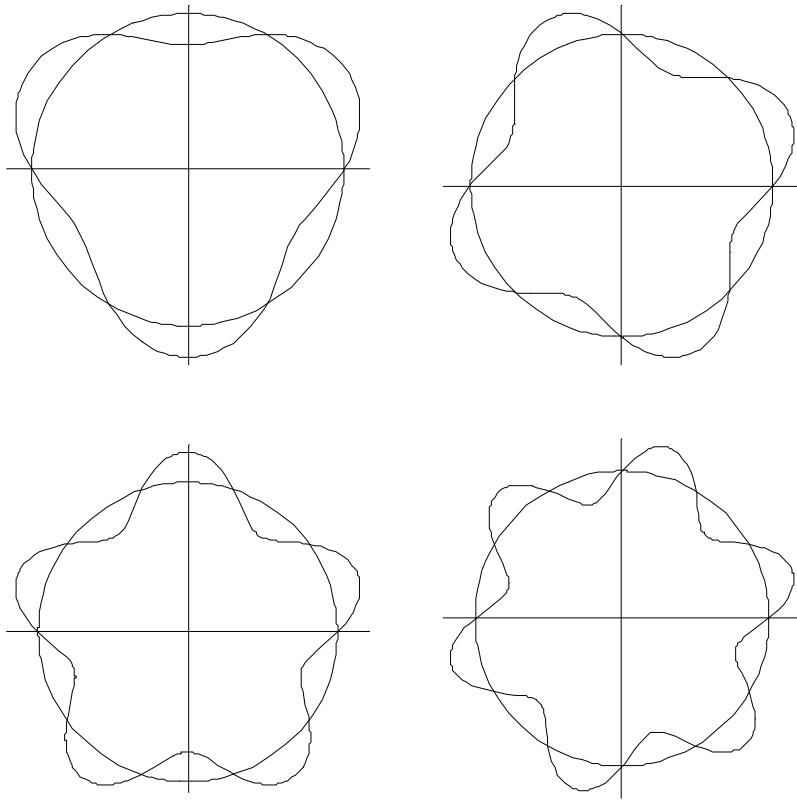
Since

$$f_{orb} = \frac{1}{T} = \frac{v}{2\pi r}$$

we get

$$\frac{nh}{2} \frac{v}{2\pi r} = \frac{1}{2}mv^2, \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{n\hbar}{2\pi} = mvr = L$$

This means that the angular momentum is quantized. This relation can be also derived as follows.



$$2\pi r = n\lambda$$

where  $n$  is integer.

de Broglie relation

$$p = \frac{h}{\lambda}$$

$$p(2\pi r) = \frac{h}{\lambda} 2\pi r = nh$$

The angular momentum  $L_z$ :

$$L_z = pr = \frac{nh}{2\pi} = n\hbar \quad \text{or} \quad mv_r = n\hbar \quad (2)$$

The angular momentum is quantized.

From Eqs.(1) and (2),

$$\frac{mv^2r}{mvr} = \frac{e^2}{n\hbar(4\pi\varepsilon_0)},$$

or

$$v = \frac{1}{n} \frac{e^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_0\hbar} = \frac{1}{n} 2.18769 \times 10^6 \text{ m/s}$$

$$m \left( \frac{e^2}{n4\pi\varepsilon_0\hbar} \right)^2 r = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_0},$$

or

$$r = 4\pi\varepsilon_0 \frac{n^2\hbar^2}{me^2} = n^2 a_0$$

where

$$a_0 = \frac{4\pi\varepsilon_0\hbar^2}{me^2} = 5.29177 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m} = 0.529177 \text{ \AA}$$

Then the total energy is obtained by

$$E_n = -\frac{e^2}{8\pi\varepsilon_0 n^2 a_0} = -\frac{E_0}{n^2}$$

where

$$E_0 = \frac{e^2}{8\pi\varepsilon_0 a_0} = \frac{e^2}{8\pi\varepsilon_0 \frac{4\pi\varepsilon_0\hbar^2}{me^2}} = \frac{me^4}{2(4\pi\varepsilon_0)^2\hbar^2}$$

$$E_0 = 13.6057 \text{ eV}$$

The energy is quantized. The ground state is a state with  $n = 1$ . The Rydberg constant is defined as

$$R_\infty = \frac{E_0}{hc} = \frac{E_0}{2\pi\hbar c} = \frac{me^4}{4\pi\hbar^3(4\pi\varepsilon_0)^2} = 1.0973731568539(55) \times 10^7 \text{ /m}$$

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Clear["Global`*"];

rule1 = {me → 9.1093821545 × 10-31, nm → 10-9,
         ev → 1.602176487 × 10-19, u → 1.660538782 × 10-27,
         qe → 1.602176487 × 10-19, c → 2.99792458 × 108,
         μ0 → 12.566370614 × 10-7, ε0 → 8.854187817 × 10-12,
         h → 6.62606896 × 10-34, ħ → 1.05457162853 × 10-34,
         mp → 1.672621637 × 10-27};

v1 = 
$$\frac{qe^2}{4 \pi \epsilon_0 \hbar n} // . rule1$$


$$\frac{2.18769 \times 10^6}{n}$$


a0 = 
$$\frac{4 \pi \epsilon_0 \hbar^2}{me qe^2} // . rule1$$


$$5.29177 \times 10^{-11}$$


r1 = n2 a0 // . rule1

$$5.29177 \times 10^{-11} n^2$$


T1 = 
$$\frac{2 \pi r}{v1} // . rule1$$


$$2.87206 \times 10^{-6} n r$$


E1 = - 
$$\frac{qe^2}{8 \pi \epsilon_0 a0 n^2 ev} // . rule1$$


$$-\frac{13.6057}{n^2}$$


R = 
$$\frac{qe^2}{8 \pi \epsilon_0 a0 (h c)} // . rule1$$


$$1.09737 \times 10^7$$


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## 2. Hydrogen spectrum

The Bohr model for an electron transition in hydrogen between quantized energy levels with different quantum number  $n$  yields a photon by emission with quantum energy.

$$\hbar\omega = 2\pi\hbar \frac{c}{\lambda} = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = E_m - E_n = E_0 \left( \frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{m^2} \right)$$

or

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{E_0}{hc} \left( \frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{m^2} \right) = R \left( \frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{m^2} \right)$$

$R$  is the Rydberg constant.

Lyman series

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{R \left( \frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \right)}$$

Balmer series

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{R \left( \frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \right)}$$

Paschen series

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{R \left( \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \right)}$$

Brackett series

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{R \left( \frac{1}{4^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \right)}$$

Pfund series

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{R \left( \frac{1}{5^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \right)}$$

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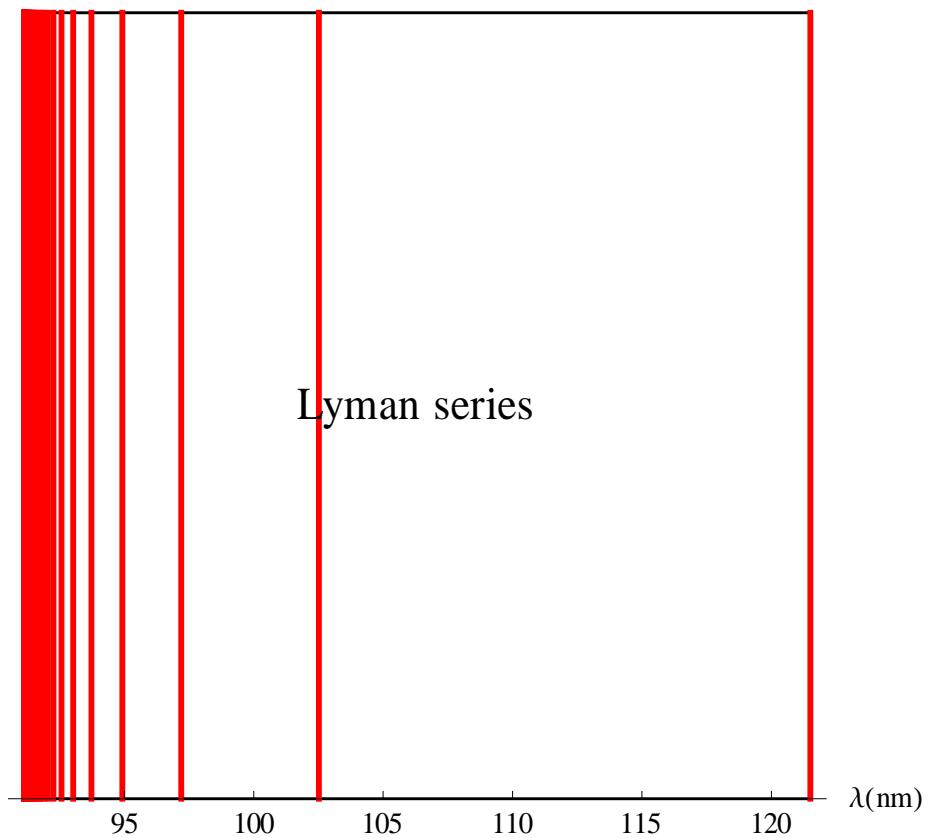
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rule1 = {R → 10973731.6};

λLy[n_] := 1/(R (1 - 1/(n^2))) 10^9 /. rule1;
λBa[n_] := 1/(R (1/(2^2) - 1/(n^2))) 10^9 /. rule1;
λPa[n_] := 1/(R (1/(3^2) - 1/(n^2))) 10^9 /. rule1;
λBr[n_] := 1/(R (1/(4^2) - 1/(n^2))) 10^9 /. rule1;
λPf[n_] := 1/(R (1/(5^2) - 1/(n^2))) 10^9 /. rule1;
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## Lyman series

```
Nmax = 100; Nmin = 2; K = λLy[Nmin] - λLy[Nmax];  
H1 = (λLy[Nmin] + λLy[Nmax]) / 2;  
Graphics[  
{Line[{{λLy[Nmax], 0}, {λLy[Nmin], 0}}],  
 Line[{{λLy[Nmax], K}, {λLy[Nmin], K}}],  
 Hue[0], Thick,  
 Table[Line[{{λLy[n], 0}, {λLy[n], K}}],  
 {n, 2, 100}],  
 Text[Style["Lyman series", Black, 15],  
 {H1, K / 2}]], Axes → {True, False},  
 AxesLabel → {"λ(nm)"},  
 Ticks → {Range[95, 120, 5]}]
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```
Prepend[Table[{n, λLy[n]}, {n, 2, 10}],  
 {"n", "λLy[nm]"}] // TableForm
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n	λLy [nm]
2	121.502
3	102.518
4	97.2018
5	94.9237
6	93.7303
7	93.0252
8	92.5732
9	92.2658
10	92.0472

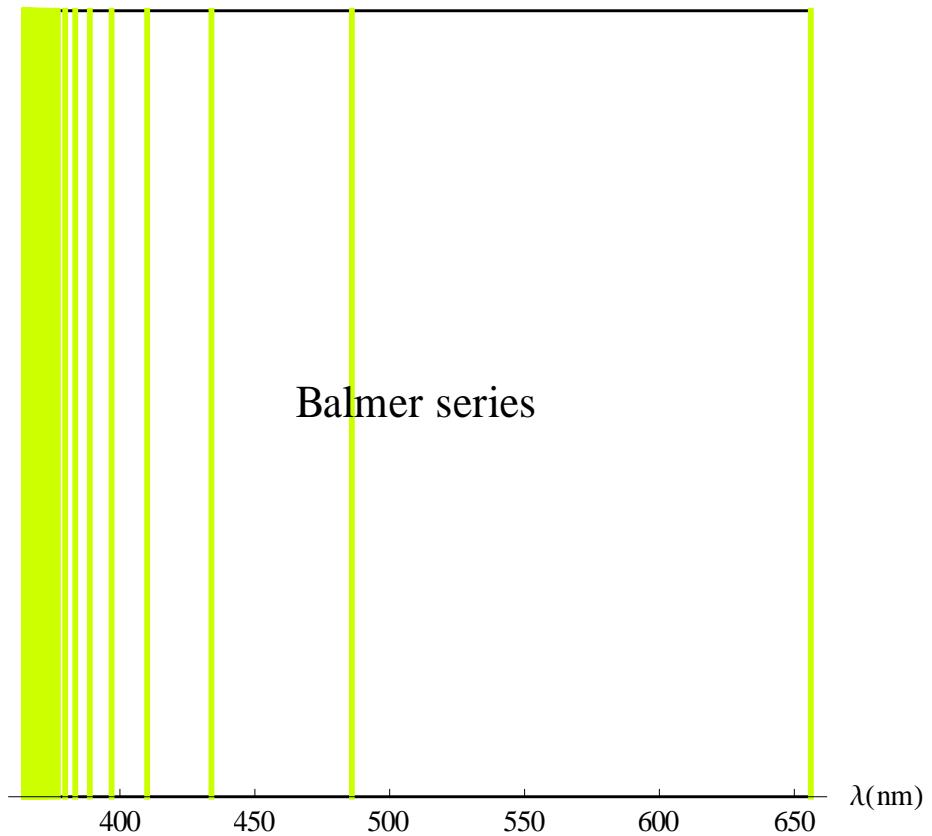
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Limit[λLy[n], n → ∞]
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## Balmer series

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Nmax = 100; Nmin = 3; K = λBa[Nmin] - λBa[Nmax];  
H1 = (λBa[Nmin] + λBa[Nmax]) / 2;  
Graphics[  
  {Line[{{λBa[Nmax], 0}, {λBa[Nmin], 0}}],  
   Line[{{λBa[Nmax], K}, {λBa[Nmin], K}}],  
   Hue[0.2], , Thick,  
   Table[Line[{{λBa[n], 0}, {λBa[n], K}}],  
     {n, Nmin, 100}],  
   Text[Style["Balmer series", Black, 15],  
     {H1, K / 2}]], Axes → {True, False},  
   Ticks → {Range[350, 700, 50]},  
   AxesLabel → {"λ(nm)"}]
```



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Prepend[Table[{n, λBa[n]}, {n, 3, 10}],  
 {"n", "λBa[nm]"}] // TableForm
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n	$\lambda Ba$ [nm]
3	656.112
4	486.009
5	433.937
6	410.07
7	396.907
8	388.807
9	383.442
10	379.695

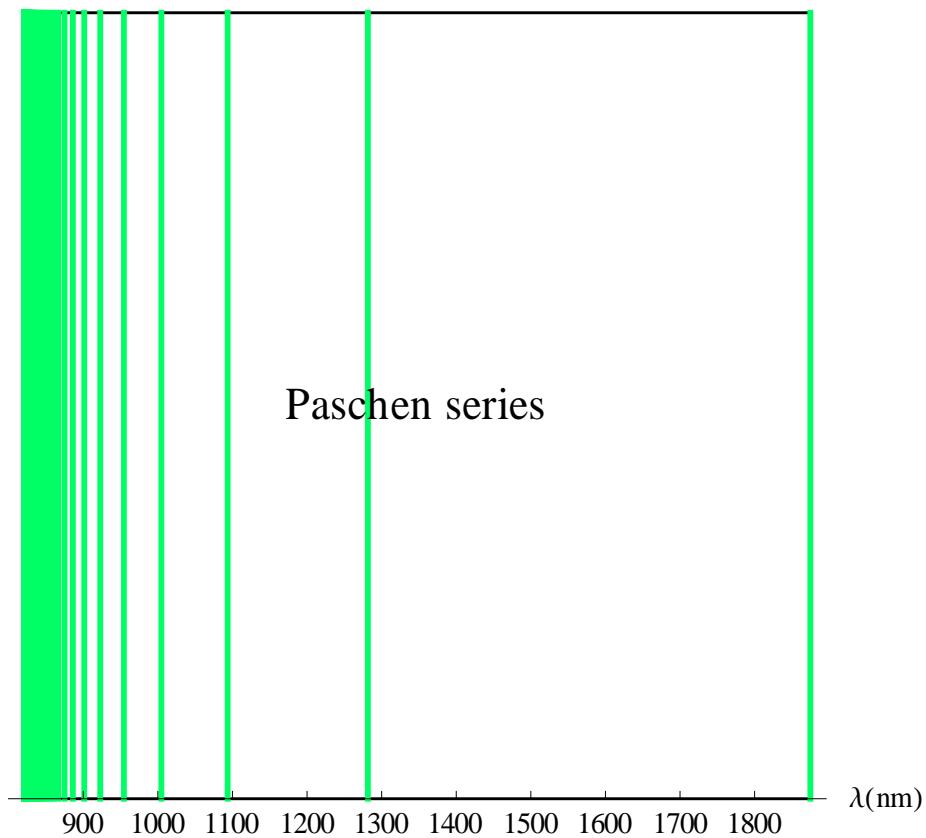
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Limit[λBa[n], n → ∞]
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## Paschen series

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Nmax = 100; Nmin = 4; K = λPa[Nmin] - λPa[Nmax];  
H1 = (λPa[Nmin] + λPa[Nmax]) / 2;  
Graphics[  
{Line[{{λPa[Nmax], 0}, {λPa[Nmin], 0}}],  
 Line[{{λPa[Nmax], K}, {λPa[Nmin], K}}],  
 Hue[0.4], Thick,  
 Table[Line[{{λPa[n], 0}, {λPa[n], K}}],  
 {n, Nmin, 100}],  
 Text[Style["Paschen series", Black, 15],  
 {H1, K / 2}]], Axes → {True, False},  
 Ticks → {Range[900, 2000, 100]},  
 AxesLabel → {"λ(nm)"}]
```



```
Prepend[Table[{n, λPa[n]}, {n, 4, 10}],  
 {"n", "λPa[nm]"}] // TableForm
```

n	λPa [ nm ]
4	1874.61
5	1281.47
6	1093.52
7	1004.67
8	954.345
9	922.658
10	901.253

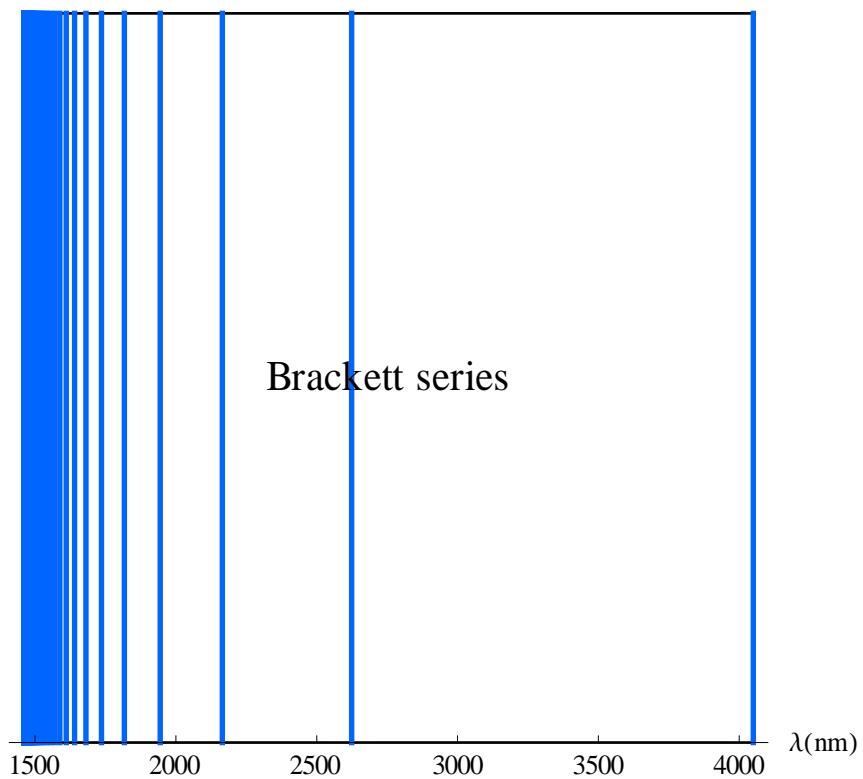
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Limit[λPa[n], n → ∞]
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## Brackett series

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Nmax = 100; Nmin = 5; K = λBr[Nmin] - λBr[Nmax];
H1 = (λBr[Nmin] + λBr[Nmax]) / 2;
Graphics[
  Line[{{λBr[Nmax], 0}, {λBr[Nmin], 0}}],
  Line[{{λBr[Nmax], K}, {λBr[Nmin], K}}],
  Hue[0.6], Thick,
  Table[Line[{{λBr[n], 0}, {λBr[n], K}}],
    {n, Nmin, 100}],
  Text[Style["Brackett series", Black, 15],
    {H1, K / 2}], Axes → {True, False},
  Ticks → {Range[1500, 4500, 500]},
  AxesLabel → {"λ(nm)"}]
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```
Prepend[Table[{n, λBr[n]}, {n, 5, 10}],  
 {"n", "λBr[nm]"}] // TableForm
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n	$\lambda Br [nm]$
5	4050.08
6	2624.45
7	2164.95
8	1944.04
9	1816.93
10	1735.75

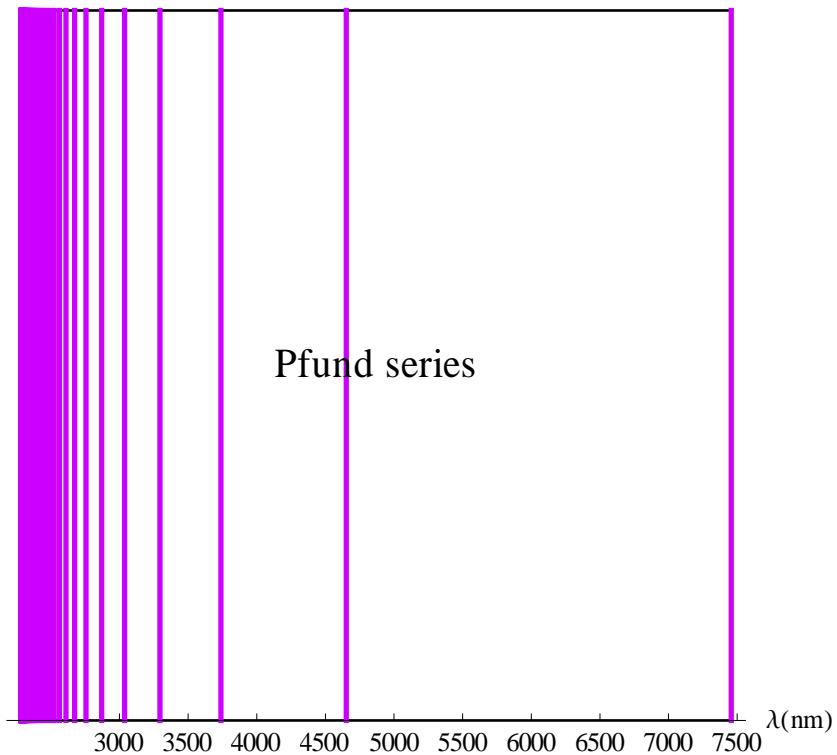
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Limit[λBr[n], n → ∞]
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## Pfund series

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Nmax = 100; Nmin = 6; K = λPf[Nmin] - λPf[Nmax];  
H1 = (λPf[Nmin] + λPf[Nmax]) / 2;  
Graphics[  
  {Line[{{λPf[Nmax], 0}, {λPf[Nmin], 0}}],  
   Line[{{λPf[Nmax], K}, {λPf[Nmin], K}}],  
   Hue[0.8], Thick,  
   Table[Line[{{λPf[n], 0}, {λPf[n], K}}],  
     {n, Nmin, 100}],  
   Text[Style["Pfund series", Black, 15],  
     {H1, K / 2}]], Axes → {True, False},  
   Ticks → {Range[3000, 7500, 500]},  
   AxesLabel → {"λ(nm)"}]
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```
Prepend[Table[{n, λPf[n]}, {n, 6, 10}], {"n", "λPf [nm]"}] // TableForm
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n	$\lambda P_f$ [nm]
6	7455.82
7	4651.26
8	3738.53
9	3295.21
10	3037.56

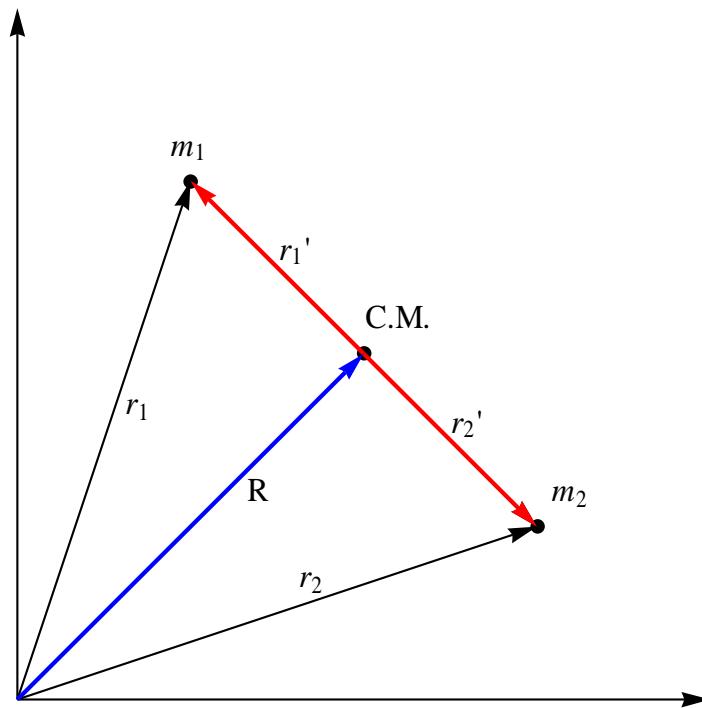
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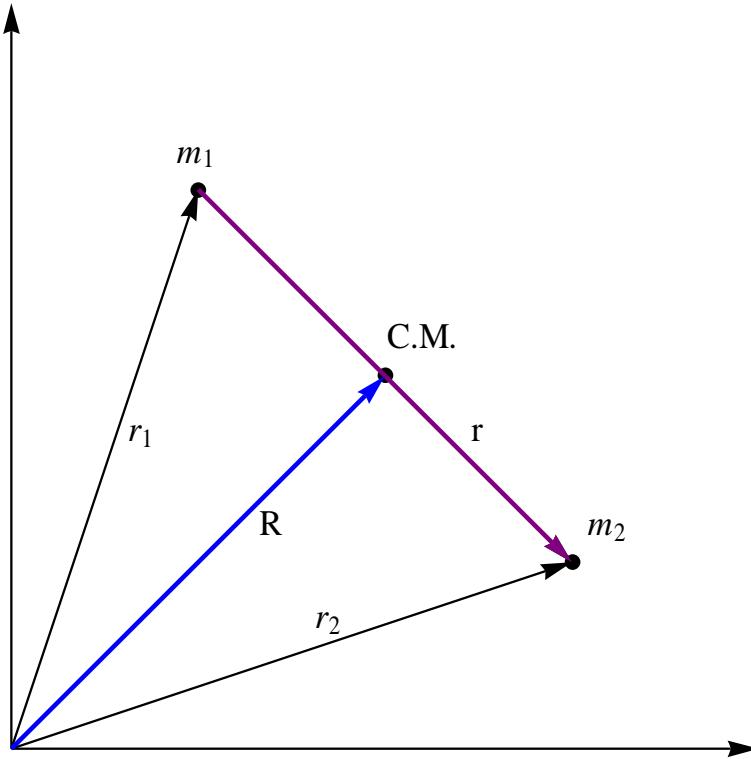
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### 3. Reduction of the equivalent one body problem

Problem of two bodies moving under the influence of a mutual central force.

We discuss this problem using the Lagrangian.





We consider a system of two mass points  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ , where the only forces are due to a interaction potential. The Lagrange equation is given by

$$L = K - V = \frac{1}{2}m_1\mathbf{r}_1^2 + \frac{1}{2}m_2\mathbf{r}_2^2 - V(\mathbf{r})$$

From Fig. we have

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1 = \mathbf{r}_2' - \mathbf{r}_1'$$

The center of mass

$$\mathbf{R} = \frac{m_1\mathbf{r}_1 + m_2\mathbf{r}_2}{m_1 + m_2}$$

Here we note that

$$\mathbf{r}_1 = \mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_1', \quad \mathbf{r}_2 = \mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_2'$$

Then

$$(m_1 + m_2)\mathbf{R} = m_1(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_1') + m_2(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_2')$$

or

$$m_1\mathbf{r}_1' + m_2\mathbf{r}_2' = 0$$

From two equations,

$$m_1\mathbf{r}_1' + m_2\mathbf{r}_2' = 0, \quad \mathbf{r}_2' - \mathbf{r}_1' = \mathbf{r}$$

we get

$$\mathbf{r}_1' = -\frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2}\mathbf{r}, \quad \mathbf{r}_2' = \frac{m_1}{m_1 + m_2}\mathbf{r}$$

and

$$\mathbf{r}_1 = \mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_1' = \mathbf{R} - \frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2}\mathbf{r}, \quad \mathbf{r}_2 = \mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_2' = \mathbf{R} + \frac{m_1}{m_1 + m_2}\mathbf{r}$$

Then the kinetic energy is rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} K &= \frac{1}{2}m_1\dot{\mathbf{r}}_1^2 + \frac{1}{2}m_2\dot{\mathbf{r}}_2^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}m_1\left(\dot{\mathbf{R}} - \frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2}\dot{\mathbf{r}}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}m_2\left(\dot{\mathbf{R}} + \frac{m_1}{m_1 + m_2}\dot{\mathbf{r}}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}m_1\left[\dot{\mathbf{R}}^2 - \frac{2m_2}{m_1 + m_2}\mathbf{R} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{r}} + \left(\frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2}\dot{\mathbf{r}}\right)^2\right] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}m_2\left[\dot{\mathbf{R}}^2 + \frac{2m_1}{m_1 + m_2}\mathbf{R} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{r}} + \left(\frac{m_1}{m_1 + m_2}\dot{\mathbf{r}}\right)^2\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(m_1 + m_2)\dot{\mathbf{R}}^2 + \frac{1}{2}\left[m_1\left(\frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2}\right)^2\dot{\mathbf{r}}^2 + m_2\left(\frac{m_1}{m_1 + m_2}\right)^2\dot{\mathbf{r}}^2\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(m_1 + m_2)\dot{\mathbf{R}}^2 + \frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{m_1m_2^2 + m_1^2m_2}{(m_1 + m_2)^2}\right]\dot{\mathbf{r}}^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(m_1 + m_2)\dot{\mathbf{R}}^2 + \frac{1}{2}\frac{m_1m_2}{(m_1 + m_2)}\dot{\mathbf{r}}^2 \end{aligned}$$

The Lagrangian of this system does not contain a given co-ordinate  $\mathbf{R}$ , then  $\mathbf{R}$  is said to be a cyclic.

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{R}}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{R}} = 0,$$

or

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{R}}} \right) = 0$$

since

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{R}} = 0$$

Then we have

$$(m_1 + m_2) \dot{\mathbf{R}} = \text{const}$$

The center of mass is either at rest or moving uniformly. We merely drop the first term from the Lagrangian. Here we define a reduced mass such that

$$\mu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}$$

or

$$\frac{1}{\mu} = \frac{1}{m_1} + \frac{1}{m_2}$$

The Lagrangian

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \mu \dot{\mathbf{r}}^2 - V(\mathbf{r})$$

Thus the central force motion of two bodies about their C.M. can always be reduced to an equivalent one-body problem.

#### **4. Bohr model of electron with reduced mass**

We now consider the effect of the reduced mass on the formula of the Bohr model. The reduced mass  $\mu$  is defined as

$$\mu = \frac{mM}{m+M}$$

where  $m$  is the mass of electron and  $M$  is the mass of proton. In the formula for the Bohr model,  $m$  is replaced by the reduced mass.

$$\nu_n = \frac{1}{n} \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar}$$

$$r_n = 4\pi\epsilon_0 \frac{n^2\hbar^2}{\mu e^2} = n^2 r_B$$

where

$$r_B = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar^2}{\mu e^2} = a_0 \frac{m}{\mu}$$

Then the total energy is obtained by

$$E_n = -\frac{e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 n^2 r_B} = -\frac{E_0}{n^2} \frac{\mu}{m} = -\frac{\mu e^4}{2(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 n^2 \hbar^2}$$

where

$$E_0 = \frac{e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 a_0} = \frac{e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar^2}{me^2} = \frac{me^4}{2(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 \hbar^2}$$

$$E_0 = 13.6057 \text{ eV}$$

The Rydberg constant is given by

$$R = \frac{E_0}{hc} \frac{\mu}{m} = \frac{E_0}{hc} \frac{1}{m} \frac{mM}{m+M} = \frac{E_0}{hc} \frac{M}{m+M} = \frac{E_0}{hc} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{m}{M}}$$

#### 4. Effect of charge $Ze$ of nucleus

We show the formula when the charge of nucleus is  $Ze$ .

$$\frac{mv^2 r}{mvr} = \frac{Ze^2}{n\hbar(4\pi\epsilon_0)},$$

or

$$v = \frac{1}{n} \frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar}$$

Then we get

$$m \left( \frac{Ze^2}{n4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar} \right)^2 r = \frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0},$$

or

$$r_n = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0}{Z} \frac{n^2\hbar^2}{me^2} = \frac{n^2 a_0}{Z}$$

where

$$a_0 = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar^2}{me^2} = 5.29177 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m} = 0.529177 \text{ \AA}$$

Then the total energy is obtained by

$$E_n = -\frac{Ze^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 r_n} - \frac{Z^2 e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 n^2 a_0} = -Z^2 \frac{E_0}{n^2}$$

where

$$E_0 = \frac{e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 a_0} = \frac{e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar^2}{me^2}} = \frac{me^4}{2(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2\hbar^2}$$

$$E_0 = 13.6057 \text{ eV}$$