

Compton Scattering – 100 years

Classical view point (relativistic)

$$\lambda_s - \lambda -= \frac{h}{mc} (1 - Cos(\theta)) = \lambda_c (1 - Cos(\theta))$$

A Quantum Theory of the Scattering of X-rays by Light Elements A. H. Compton *Phys. Rev.* **21**, 483-502 (1923) $\lambda_c = 0,0024 \text{ nm} = 500 \text{keV}$



Same result as for the classical calculation

Quantum version « classical »

$$T = \int d\tau \langle \mathbf{k}, \tau | \mathbf{A}_{s}(\mathbf{r}, \tau) . \mathbf{A}_{0}(\mathbf{r}, \tau) | 0, \tau \rangle \qquad \text{We assume } \frac{\delta \lambda}{\lambda} \ll 1 \iff \lambda_{c} \ll \lambda$$

Provides the same result as for the other approaches

Compton scattering – PES

COLTRIM – Coincidence measurement electron/ion

 $h\nu$ =2,5 keV P04 beamline at PETAIII,DESY

M. Kircher et al. Nature Physics 16, 756–760 (2020)



 $T = \int d\tau \langle \boldsymbol{k}, \tau | \boldsymbol{A}_{S}(\boldsymbol{r}, \tau) . \boldsymbol{A}_{0}(\boldsymbol{r}, \tau) | \boldsymbol{0}, \tau \rangle$

Polar plot in the frame of the photon-momentum transfer *K*



Angular asymetry due to the momentum transfer

Stimulated Compton Scattering
Application to HFull Hamiltonian of the
system including the field $\mathcal{H} = H_{at} + A(r,t) \cdot P + \frac{1}{2}A^2(r,t)$ $\nabla \cdot A = 0$

 $A(r,t) = A_1(r,t) + A_2(r,t)$ Total field is the sum of the two fields

 $A_i(\mathbf{r}, t) = A_i(t - \alpha \mathbf{n}_i \cdot \mathbf{r})\mathbf{e}_z \approx (A_i(t) + \alpha F_i(t)\mathbf{n}_i \cdot \mathbf{r})\mathbf{e}_z$ Non-dipole contribution

$$\mathcal{H} = H_{at} + H_{DA} + H_{RET}^{AP} + H_{RET}^{A^2}$$

$$H_{DA} = A(t)\mathbf{P}.\mathbf{e}_{z}$$
 $H_{RET}^{AP} = \alpha \mathbf{F}_{pol}(t).\mathbf{rP}.\mathbf{e}_{z}$ $H_{RET}^{A^{2}} = \alpha \mathbf{F}_{prop}(t).\mathbf{rA}(t)$

The eigenstates of the field-free Hamiltonian are computed (bound and continnum) to generate the coupling matrix of the field operator. The **Time Dependent Schrödinger equation** is then solved **numerically** in the Interaction picture.

H. Bachau Phys. Rev. Lett. 112, 073001 (2014)



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Stimulated Compton Scattering Two-Color Ionization of H in keV regime



Field parameters

 $ω_1 = 55 \text{ a.u. (1496 eV)}$ $ω_2 = 50 \text{ a.u. (1360 eV)}$ $τ_1 = τ_2 = 6π \text{ a.u. (452 as)}$ $I_1 = I_2 = I_0$, where $I_0 ≈ 3.51$ × 10¹⁶ W/cm².

Same behavior for most atoms investigated in particular for the angular distribution. Is it a universal pattern?

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Stimulated Compton Scattering in H₂



A. Sopena *Phys. Rev. A* **105**, 033104 (2022) A. Sopena *Nat. Com.* **4**, 253 (2021) Selection rules in the molecule due to the different channels:

• A.P contributions

$$X^1 \sum_g^+ \xrightarrow{\epsilon_z} {}^1 \sum_g^+$$

 $X^1 \sum_{\sigma}^+ \xrightarrow{\epsilon_x/\epsilon_y} \sum_{\sigma}^+, {}^1\Delta_{\sigma}$

Axis of quantization : polarisation axis

• A² contributions



 $X^1 \sum_{\varphi}^+ \xrightarrow{n_x/n_y} \Pi_u.$

Axis of quantization : propagation axis

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Angle integrated energy distribution + MFPAD in H₂ Two-pulse configuration



Angle integrated energy distribution + MFPAD in H₂ One-pulse configuration



Conclusion and prospective

- We show the quantum nature of the process and in particular that the usual picture of momentum absorption is not sufficient + complex pattern in the molecular case
- Usage very intense X-ray pulses and ultrashort for intraband processes (The advance of FEL source allows for such configurations)

What's next ?

- Include more terms of the Taylor expansion and include the spin in the dynamics ... under going
- Study the case of more complex fields in particular dichroism

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Modèle TDPT

Cross-section $\frac{d\sigma}{dE_e d\Omega_e d\Omega_2} = r_e^2 p_e t |M|^2$ With amplitude transition $M(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{p}_e) = (\mathbf{e}_1 \cdot \mathbf{e}_2) \langle \Psi_{\mathbf{p}_e}^{(-)} | \sum_{j=1}^N e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_j} |\Psi_0\rangle$

And final wave function $\tilde{\Psi}_{\mathbf{p}_{e}}^{(-)}(\mathbf{r}_{1},\mathbf{r}_{2}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\psi_{\mathbf{p}_{e}}^{C}(\mathbf{r}_{1})\psi_{0}^{\mathrm{He}^{+}}(\mathbf{r}_{2}) + \psi_{\mathbf{p}_{e}}^{C}(\mathbf{r}_{2})\psi_{0}^{\mathrm{He}^{+}}(\mathbf{r}_{1}) \right]$

For unpolarized field
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE_{e}d\Omega_{e}d\Omega_{2}} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{2}}\right)_{Th} p_{e}t|M_{e}|^{2}$$
 With $\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{2}}\right)_{Th} = \frac{1}{2}r_{e}^{2}(1+\cos^{2}\theta)$
 $M_{e}(\mathbf{Q},\mathbf{p}_{e}) = \langle \Psi_{\mathbf{p}_{e}}^{(-)}|\sum_{j=1}^{N}e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_{j}}|\Psi_{0}\rangle$

Modèle TDSE

- The wave function is expanded on a basis of 6880 correlated two-electron states described as linear combinations of anti-symmetrized products of H2+ orbitals
- The ionic orbitals wave function is represented in a basis of radial B-spline functions and spherical harmonics ($l_{max} = 16$) and a radial box size of up to 60 a.u.
- The total wf includes 280 of these functions. The typical number of configurations used for continuum states is 280 and for bound states, it varies between 390 and 700. The continuum states included in the expansion satisfy the proper incoming scattering boundary conditions
- The TDSE is solved using an RK4 predictor-corrector propagator.

