

Question #48957, Chemistry, Inorganic Chemistry

Question:

Determine the first three energy levels of an electron confined to a one dimensional box of length of 10^{-9} M.

Answer:

$$E_1 = \frac{h^2}{8mL^2} = \frac{(6.63 \cdot 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s})^2}{8 \times 9.1 \cdot 10^{-31} \text{ kg} \times (10^{-9} \text{ m})^2} = 6.04 \cdot 10^{-17} \text{ J}$$

$$E_2 = 2^2 E_1 = 4 \times 6.04 \cdot 10^{-17} \text{ J} = 2.42 \cdot 10^{-16} \text{ J}$$

$$E_3 = 3^2 E_1 = 9 \times 6.04 \cdot 10^{-17} \text{ J} = 5.43 \cdot 10^{-16} \text{ J}$$

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