

**2.11** It is desired to produce x-ray radiation with a wavelength of  $1 \text{ \AA}$ . (a) Through what potential voltage difference must the electron be accelerated in vacuum so that it can, upon colliding with a target, generate such a photon? (Assume that all of the electron's energy is transferred to the photon.) (b) What is the de Broglie wavelength of the electron in part (a) just before it hits the target?

a) From section 2.1, Given,

$$E = h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{6.62607015 \times 10^{-34} (2.99792458 \times 10^8)}{1 \times 10^{-10}}$$

$$= 1.0986446 \times 10^{-15} \text{ J} (1 \text{ eV} / 1.602176634 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}) = 12398.42 \text{ eV}$$

$$V = E (\text{eV})/e = 12398.42 \text{ eV}/e \quad \Rightarrow \quad \underline{\underline{V = 12,398.42 \text{ V}}}$$

b) From classical physics, the momentum of the electron is

$$p = \sqrt{2m_0E} = \sqrt{2(9.1093837 \times 10^{-31})1.0986446 \times 10^{-15}} = 4.473919 \times 10^{-23} \text{ kg-m/s}$$

Per (2.3), the deBroglie wavelength is

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{6.62607015 \times 10^{-34}}{4.473919 \times 10^{-23}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \underline{\underline{\lambda = 1.481044 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m} = 0.1481 \text{ \AA}}}$$