

Electron emission from tungsten surface induced by neon ions

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Synopsis The electron emission from W surface induced by Ne^{q+} has been measured. For the same charge state, the electron yield gradually increases with the projectile velocity. Meanwhile, the effect of the potential energy of projectile has been found obviously. Our results give the critical condition for “trampoline effect”.

The effect of secondary electron emission (SEE) from surfaces under ion bombardment has been extensively studied during several decades because of its fundamental and technological importance. Here in this work, we present experimental results for electron emission yield γ of Ne^{q+} ($q=2,8$) impacting on tungsten surface at normal incidence and discuss the mechanism of electron emission.

The experiment was done at the Atomic Physics Research Platform on the Electron Cyclotron Resonance Ion Source of HIRFL. The projectile energy is ranging from 5 keV/u to 25 keV/u, as we know, this energy range has not been researched by others.

Figure 1 represents γ gradually increases with the projectile energy per mass unit. That is to say, for the same charge state, γ gradually increases with the projectile velocity. It also can be easily found that the effect of charge state to γ is obvious. Basing on “single hole without hopping”^[1] hypothesis, Our result will give the critical condition for the “trampoline effect”^[2,3].

Finally, we calculate the total stopping power S , the electron stopping power S_e and the nuclear stopping power S_r for Ne^{q+} impact on W surface by SRIM2008. We can find that recoiling atoms are of crucial importance in electron emission when E/M is low.

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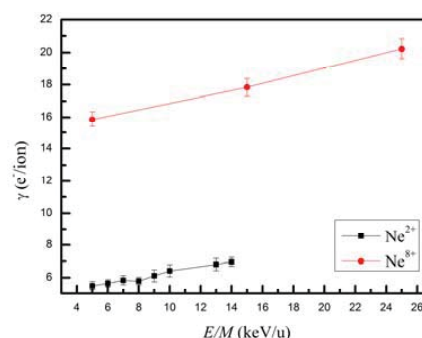


Figure 1. Total electron yield γ as a function of projectile kinetic energy per mass unit for Ne^{q+} impact on W surface.

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