the observation region. Beam neutralization at the slits is a possibility but we would suspect that this is small, particularly at this energy, but perhaps should not be discounted.

It is to be noted that the ${ }^{1} S$ states are strongly excited. It is too bad that a better comparison with the ${ }^{1} P$ states cannot be made. We would strongly suspect that the upper limits shown for the $3^{1} P$ and $4^{1} P$ levels represent figures that are better than an order of magnitude higher than the true cross section because of the imprisonment of resonance radiation. ${ }^{4}$ It is particularly bad in our case because of the large (4 in.) diameter of our collision chamber and the fact that the lowest pressure at which we could take data was 2 or $3 \mu$. The apparent cross sections for the $2{ }^{1} S-n^{1} P$ lines were still dropping rapidly at these pressures.

The measured cross section for the simultaneous
${ }^{4}$ A. V. Phelps, Phys. Rev. 110, 1362 (1958).
ionization and excitation of helium ${ }^{5}$ into the $n=4$ state of $\mathrm{He}^{+}$agrees fairly well with a rough extrapolation of Mapleton's calculations ${ }^{6,7}$ and the measured chargeexchange cross section into the $n=4$ state of hydrogen is small but at least the right order of magnitude from what is expected from roughly extrapolating his recent calculations ${ }^{7}$ on charge exchange; however, it is difficult to draw conclusions.

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# Electron Capture from $\mathrm{He}\left(1 s^{2}\right)$ by Protons 

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#### Abstract

The two equivalent forms of Born's approximation, prior and post, are used to calculate the electron capture cross section for protons incident on $\mathrm{He}\left(1 s^{2}\right)$. These cross sections are calculated for capture into eleven different final states in the energy range 12.5 kev to 1 Mev . Although a rather crude wave function, $\left(Z^{3} / \pi a_{0}{ }^{3}\right) \exp \left[-\left(Z / a_{0}\right)\left(r_{1}+r_{2}\right)\right](Z=1.6875)$, is used for He, the prior and post total capture cross sections do not differ by more than twenty percent over the energy range investigated. Estimates of the sum of the cross sections for capture into all $s$ states of the hydrogen atom for the two residual ions, $\mathrm{He}^{+}(1 s)$ and $\mathrm{He}^{+}(2 s)$, are obtained from an adaption of the $s$-state sum rule as given in the paper of Jackson and Schiff. As in this work of Jackson and Schiff, it is found that the $s$ states provide the major contribution to the total capture cross section. The calculated cross sections agree fairly well with the experimental values. The cross sections for capture into the state $\mathrm{He}^{+}(1 s)+\mathrm{H}(1 s)$, is roughly 2.5 times larger than the values obtained by Bransden, Dalgarno, and King.


T${ }^{\top} \mathrm{HE}$ cross section for the following process (A) has been calculated in Born approximation by Bransden, Dalgarno, and King. ${ }^{1}$

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\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{H}^{+}+\mathrm{He}\left(1 s^{2}\right) \rightarrow \mathrm{H}(1 s)+\mathrm{He}^{+}(1 s) \tag{A}
\end{equation*}
$$

In their calculation, the prior interaction was used and the Born matrix element was evaluated approximately. In the present paper, the cross section for reaction (A) is calculated in Born approximation with both forms of the interaction, prior and post. In addition, the prior and post Born cross sections are calculated for capture into ten other final states. A comparison of the results of this paper and those of BDK will be presented later.

[^1]It is a well-established fact that the prior and post cross sections are equal provided that exact atomic wave functions are used in the Born matrix elements. ${ }^{2,3}$ Since only inexact atomic wave functions exist for atoms other than hydrogen, it is not known which of these two cross sections agree more closely with the exact Born cross section. Although the wave function, $\left(Z^{3} / \pi a_{0}{ }^{3}\right) \exp \left[-\left(Z / a_{0}\right)\left(r_{1}+r_{2}\right)\right](Z=1.6875)$, used for He is rather crude, the prior and post total capture cross sections of this paper do not differ by more than twenty percent over the energy range investigated; moreover, they are in fair agreement with the experimental values. The reason for this apparent success

[^2]appears to emerge from the good representation of the wave function for He over the region of configuration space that provides the major contribution to the cross section for reaction (A), which process provides the major contribution to the total capture cross section. On the basis of this close agreement, it is reasonable to expect that the values of the exact Born cross sections would not differ radically from these approximate values. It is tempting to conjecture that the prior-post numerical discrepancy (hereafter called $i-f-d$ ) would not be much larger for the analogous capture process from more complicated atoms provided that an equally good wave function is used for the atom in question. One would expect a somewhat larger discrepancy for this latter case since both the atom and its residual ion would be represented by approximate wave functions, whereas the wave functions for $\mathrm{He}^{+}$is known exactly. This conjecture relevant to the smallness of the $i-f-d$ provides a practical bias in favor of the prior cross section since there are fewer electrostatic terms in the prior interaction; wherefore, the evaluation of the prior cross section requires less calculation. The preceding discussion contains the implication that the exact Born cross sections should agree with the measured values. However, current research suggests that the Born approximation for the electron capture problem may fail not only at low energies as is well known, but also at high energies, although the agreement with experiment may be satisfactory over an intermediate energy range. ${ }^{4,5}$ The notation is now introduced and the matrix elements are defined.
Let the masses be defined as follows: $M=$ proton; $M_{n}=$ helium nucleus; $m=$ electron; $\quad M_{1}=M+m$; $M_{n 1}=M_{n}+m ; \quad M_{n 2}=M_{n}+2 m ; \quad \mu_{1}=M M_{n 2} / M_{T} ;$
$M_{T}=M+M_{n 2} ; \mu_{2}=M_{1} M_{n 1} / M_{T}$. The laboratory particle coordinates are $\mathbf{r}_{p}=$ proton; $\mathbf{r}_{n}=$ helium nucleus; $\mathbf{r}_{1,2}=$ electrons; the prior (primed) and post (unprimed) relative coordinates are
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$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathbf{x}_{1}{ }^{\prime}=\mathbf{r}_{1}-\mathbf{r}_{n} ; \quad \mathbf{x}_{2}{ }^{\prime}=\mathbf{r}_{2}-\mathbf{r}_{n}=\mathbf{x}_{3} ; \\
\mathbf{R}^{\prime}=\mathbf{u}_{p}-\frac{M_{n} \mathbf{r}_{n}+m\left(\mathbf{r}_{1}+\mathbf{r}_{2}\right)}{M_{n 2}} ; \\
\mathbf{x}_{1}=\mathbf{r}_{1}-\mathbf{r}_{n} ; \quad \mathbf{x}_{2}=\mathbf{r}_{2}-\mathbf{r}_{p} ; \\
R=\frac{M \mathbf{r}_{p}+m \mathbf{r}_{2}}{M_{1}}-\frac{M_{n} \mathbf{r}_{n}+m \mathbf{r}_{1}}{M_{n 1}} .
\end{gathered}
$$
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Other relevant quantities are defined as follows: $\hbar=$ Planck's constant divided by $2 \pi$; $e=$ electron charge ; $a_{0}=m e^{2} / \hbar^{2}=$ first Bohr radius; $K$ and $K_{m n}$ are the magnitudes of the initial and final wave vectors of relative motion, respectively; $v=\hbar K / \mu_{1} ; v_{m n}=\hbar K_{m n} /$ $\mu_{2} ; \quad \mathbf{A}_{1}=\left(m / M_{n 1}\right) \mathbf{A}_{3} ; \quad \mathbf{A}_{2}=\left(M / M_{1}\right) \mathbf{K}_{m n}-\mathbf{K} ; \quad \mathbf{A}_{3}=\mathbf{K}_{m n}$ $-\left(M_{n 1} / M_{n 2}\right) \mathbf{K}$. The binding energy of $\mathrm{He}\left(1 s^{2}\right), \mathrm{He}^{+}{ }_{m}$ in the state labeled by the principal quantum number $m$, and H in the state labeled by the principal quantum number $n$, are, respectively, $\epsilon^{\prime}, \epsilon_{m}^{\prime}$, and $\epsilon_{n}$. Conservation of energy is given by $\frac{1}{2} \mu_{1} v^{2}-\epsilon^{\prime}=\frac{1}{2} \mu_{2} v_{m n}{ }^{2}-\epsilon_{m}{ }^{\prime}-\epsilon_{n}$. The normalized wave functions that represent $\mathrm{He}^{+}{ }_{m}, \mathrm{H}_{n}$, and $\mathrm{He}\left(1 s^{2}\right)$ are denoted, respectively, by $\phi_{m}, \phi_{n}$, and $\left(Z^{3} / \pi a_{0}{ }^{3}\right) \exp \left[-\left(Z / a_{0}\right)\left(x_{1}+x_{3}\right)\right]$. The integration is simplified by the use of the set ( $\mathbf{x}_{1}, \mathbf{x}_{2}, \mathbf{x}_{3}$ ) as independent variables. ${ }^{2}$ The prior and post matrix elements for the reaction, $\mathrm{H}^{+}+\mathrm{He}\left(1 s^{2}\right) \rightarrow \mathrm{H}_{n}+\mathrm{He}^{+}{ }_{m}$, are labeled, respectively, by $g_{m n}{ }^{i}$ and $g_{m n}{ }^{f}$. These quantities are defined in (1a). ${ }^{1}$

$$
\begin{align*}
g_{m n} i, f & =\frac{\mu_{2} e^{2} Z^{3}}{2 \pi^{2} \hbar^{2} a_{0}{ }^{3}} \int d \mathbf{x}_{1} d \mathbf{x}_{2} d \mathbf{x}_{3} \phi_{m}^{*}\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}\right) \phi_{n}{ }^{*}\left(\mathbf{x}_{2}\right) V_{i, f}\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}, \mathbf{x}_{2}, \mathbf{x}_{3}\right) \exp \left[-\left(Z / a_{0}\right)\left(x_{1}+x_{3}\right)\right] \\
V_{i} & =2\left|\mathbf{x}_{3}-\mathbf{x}_{2}\right|^{-1}-\left|\mathbf{x}_{3}-\mathbf{x}_{1}-\mathbf{x}_{2}\right|^{-1}-\left|\mathbf{x}_{2}\right|^{-1}=V_{p n}+V_{p 1}+V_{p 2}, \\
V_{f} & =2\left|\mathbf{x}_{3}-\mathbf{x}_{2}\right|^{-1}+\left|\mathbf{x}_{3}-\mathbf{x}_{1}\right|^{-1}-2\left|\mathbf{x}_{3}\right|^{-1}-\left|\mathbf{x}_{3}-\mathbf{x}_{1}-\mathbf{x}_{2}\right|^{-1}=V_{p n}+V_{21}+V_{2 n}+V_{p 1} . \tag{1a}
\end{align*}
$$

The second form of $V_{i, f}$ associates the particles with the interactions. Since helium is initially in a singlet state, and spin-dependent forces are neglected, the final state must also be a singlet in the electron coordinates. A permutation of the laboratory electron coordinates leads to a new set of post relative coordinates which are given by

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathbf{x}_{12}=\mathbf{r}_{2}-\mathbf{r}_{n}, \quad \mathbf{x}_{22}=\mathbf{r}_{1}-\mathbf{r}_{p} \\
\mathbf{R}_{2}=\frac{M \mathbf{r}_{p}+m \mathbf{r}_{1}}{M_{1}}-\frac{M_{n} \mathbf{r}_{n}+m \mathbf{r}_{2}}{M_{n 1}}
\end{gathered}
$$

[^3]A repetition of the previous calculation leads to the identical expression for the capture of electron 1 as was obtained for the capture of electron 2 . The two amplitudes are added and multiplied with the singlet normalization factor, $2^{-\frac{1}{2}}$, to obtain $\sqrt{2} g_{m n}{ }^{i, f}$ for the singlet scattering amplitude. ${ }^{1}$ The cross section for capture is given by ${ }^{6}$

$$
Q_{m n}^{i, f}=\frac{4 \pi v_{m n}}{v} \int_{0}^{\pi}\left|g_{m n}{ }^{i, f}\right|^{2} \sin \theta d \theta
$$

The expressions for these various amplitudes are

[^4]long and only the ground-state case is worked out in detail. The amplitudes for capture into excited states are all derivable from the ground-state case by means of parametric differentiation. ${ }^{7}$ The spectroscopic notation will be used to label the amplitudes and the cross sections. Dimensionless units are introduced with $a_{0}$, the unit of length, and $\epsilon_{1}=m e^{4} / 2 \hbar^{2}$, the unit of energy. The wave functions $\phi_{1 s}\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}\right)$ and $\phi_{1 s}\left(\mathbf{x}_{2}\right)$ are replaced, respectively, by $(8 / \pi)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\alpha x_{1}}$ and $e^{-\beta x_{2}} / \sqrt{ } \pi$. It
is seen that the functional forms of all excited states are derivable from $\exp \left[-\alpha x_{1}+i \mathbf{A}_{1} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{1}\right]$ and $\exp \left[-\beta x_{2}\right.$ $\left.+i \mathbf{A}_{2} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{2}\right]$ by means of parametric differentiation with respect to $\alpha, \beta$, and the rectangular components of $\mathbf{A}_{1,2}$, after which operation the appropriate values of $(\alpha, \beta)$ are inserted and the factors $\exp \left[i \mathbf{A}_{j} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{j}\right]$ are removed. The notation employed for the electrostatic interaction terms is used to label the various components of the matrix elements.
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$$
\begin{align*}
& \alpha=2, \quad \beta=1, \quad m=n=1 . \\
& g_{1 s ; 1 s}{ }^{i}=Z C\left[2 \beta V_{p n}-V_{p 1}-\beta V_{p 2}\right], \quad g_{1 s ; 1 s}{ }^{f}=\beta C\left[2 Z V_{p n}+Z V_{21}-2 V_{2 n}-Z V_{p 1}\right], \\
& C=\frac{2^{17 / 2} Z^{3}(\alpha+Z) \mu_{2} a_{0}}{m}, \quad Z=1.6875, \quad V_{p n}=\left[(\alpha+Z)^{2}+A_{1}^{2}\right]^{-2} \int_{0}^{1} d x x(1-x)\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial U_{1}}+\frac{\partial}{\partial V_{1}}\right)^{2} U_{1}^{-1} V_{1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \\
& V_{p 1}=\int_{0}^{1} d x x(1-x) \int_{0}^{1} d y y(1-y)^{3}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial U_{3}}+\frac{\partial}{\partial V_{3}}\right)^{4} U_{3}^{-1} V_{3}^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \\
& V_{p 2}=\left[(\alpha+Z)^{2}+A_{1^{2}}\right]^{-2}\left[\beta^{2}+A_{2^{2}}\right]^{-1}\left[Z^{2}+A_{3^{2}}\right]^{-2}, \\
& V_{21}=\left[\beta^{2}+A_{2^{2}}\right]^{-2} \int_{0}^{1} d x x(1-x)\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial U_{2}}+\frac{\partial}{\partial V_{2}}\right)^{2} U_{2}{ }^{-1} V_{2}{ }^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text {, } \\
& V_{2 n}=\left[(\alpha+Z)^{2}+A_{1}{ }^{2}\right]^{-2}\left[\beta^{2}+A_{2}{ }^{2}\right]^{-2}\left[Z^{2}+A_{3}{ }^{2}\right]^{-1}, \quad U_{1}=\left(\beta^{2}+A_{2}{ }^{2}\right)(1-x)+x\left(Z^{2}+A_{3}{ }^{2}\right), \\
& V_{1}=\beta^{2}(1-x)+Z^{2} x+x(1-x)\left|\mathbf{A}_{3}-\mathbf{A}_{2}\right|^{2}, \quad U_{2}=\left(Z^{2}+A_{3}{ }^{2}\right)(1-x)+x\left[(\alpha+Z)^{2}+A_{1}{ }^{2}\right], \\
& V_{2}=Z^{2}(1-x)+(\alpha+Z)^{2} x+x(1-x)\left|\mathbf{A}_{1}-\mathbf{A}_{3}\right|^{2} \text {, } \\
& U_{3}=[1-y]\left[(1-x)\left(\beta^{2}+A_{2}{ }^{2}\right)+x\left(Z^{2}+A_{3}{ }^{2}\right)\right]+y\left[(\alpha+Z)^{2}+A_{1}{ }^{2}\right] \text {, } \\
& V_{3}=[1-y]\left[(1-x) \beta^{2}+x Z^{2}\right]+y(\alpha+Z)^{2}+\{1-y\}\left\{y A_{1}{ }^{2}+[1-x][1-(1-x)(1-y)] A_{2}{ }^{2}\right. \\
& \left.+x[1-x(1-y)] A_{3}{ }^{2}-2 y(1-x) \mathbf{A}_{1} \cdot \mathbf{A}_{2}-2 x y \mathbf{A}_{1} \cdot \mathbf{A}_{3}-2 x(1-x)(1-y) \mathbf{A}_{2} \cdot \mathbf{A}_{3}\right\} .  \tag{1b}\\
& \alpha=2, \quad \beta=\frac{1}{2}, \quad m=1, \quad n=2 . \\
& g_{1 s ; 2 s}=\frac{1}{4 \sqrt{2}}\left(2+\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta}\right) g_{1 s ; 1 s} . \tag{2a}
\end{align*}
$$
\]

In this relation, and all subsequent relations, it is understood that the same superscript, $i$ or $f$, should appear on both sides of the equation.

$$
\begin{align*}
g_{1 s ; 2 p}{ }^{0 ; \pm 1} & =\frac{-i}{4 \sqrt{2}}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial A_{2 z}} ; \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{2 \pm}}\right) g_{1 s ; 1 s},  \tag{2b}\\
\frac{\partial}{\partial A_{2 \pm}} & =\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial A_{2 x}} \pm i \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{2 y}}\right) .
\end{align*}
$$

The differential cross section for this $p$ state is obtained from the following expression:

$$
\sum_{m=-1}^{1}\left|g_{1 s ; 2 p}^{m}\right|^{2}=\left|C_{2} \mathbf{A}_{2}-C_{3} \mathbf{A}_{3}\right|^{2}
$$

In the derivation of the preceding formula, all terms that have $A_{1}$, or a power of $A_{1}$, as a factor are dropped. This is a very good approximation since $A_{1} \approx 10^{-4} A_{3}$.

[^5]( $A_{1}$ is retained in the quantities that comprise $g_{1 s ; 18}$.) $C_{2}$ and $C_{3}$ are linear combinations of quantities derived from the terms in $g_{1 s ; 1 s}$. These remarks apply to all $p$ and $d$ states.
$$
\alpha=2, \quad \beta=\frac{1}{3}, \quad m=1, \quad n=3 .
$$
\[

$$
\begin{align*}
g_{1 s ; 3 s} & =\frac{1}{81 \sqrt{3}}\left(27+18 \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta}+2 \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial \beta^{2}}\right) g_{1 s ; 1 s .}  \tag{2c}\\
g_{1 s ; 3 p^{0} ; \pm 1} & =\frac{-i \sqrt{2}}{81}\left(6+\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta}\right)\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial A_{2 z}} ; \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{2 \pm}}\right) g_{1 s ; 1 s .} .  \tag{2~d}\\
g_{1 s ; 3 t^{0}} & =\frac{1}{81 \sqrt{ } 6}\left(-2 \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial A_{2 z^{2}}^{2}}+\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial A_{2+} \partial A_{2-}}\right) g_{1 s ; 1 s}, \\
g_{1 s ; 3 d^{ \pm 1}} & =-\frac{1}{81} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{2 z}} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{2 \pm}} g_{1 s ; 1 s},  \tag{2e}\\
g_{1 s ; 3 d^{ \pm 2}} & =\frac{-1}{162}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial A_{2 \pm}}\right)^{2} g_{1 s ; 1 s} .
\end{align*}
$$
\]



Fig. 1. Capture cross sections into the state $\mathrm{He}^{+}(1 s)+\mathrm{H}(1 s)$ calculated with the prior interaction. BDK refers to the calculations of Bransden et al.

It can be shown that the following relation is valid.

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\sum_{m=-2}^{2}\left|g_{1 s ; 3 d^{m}}\right|^{2} \propto C_{1}{ }^{2} A_{2^{4}}+C_{2}{ }^{2}\left[\frac{3 A_{2}{ }^{2} A_{3}{ }^{2}+\left(\mathbf{A}_{2} \cdot \mathbf{A}_{3}\right)^{2}}{4}\right] \\
+C_{3}{ }^{2} A_{3}{ }^{4}-2 C_{1} C_{2} A_{2}{ }^{2}\left(\mathbf{A}_{2} \cdot \mathbf{A}_{3}\right)+C_{1} C_{3}\left[3\left(\mathbf{A}_{2} \cdot \mathbf{A}_{3}\right)^{2}\right. \\
\left.-A_{2}{ }^{2} A_{3}{ }^{2}\right]-2 C_{2} C_{3} A_{3}{ }^{2}\left(\mathbf{A}_{2} \cdot \mathbf{A}_{3}\right)
\end{array}
$$

This expression has the familiar form of a linear combination of scalar products of spherical tensors of rank two, and this form is consistent with the properties of the spherical harmonics that are implicit in the $d$-state wave function. ${ }^{8}$

$$
\begin{gather*}
\alpha=1, \quad \beta=1, \quad m=2, \quad n=1 . \\
g_{2 s ; 1 s}=\frac{1}{4 \sqrt{2}}\left(2+2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha}\right) g_{1 s ; 1 s} .  \tag{3a}\\
g_{2 p ; 1 s} ; \pm 1=\frac{-i}{2 \sqrt{2}}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial A_{1 z}} ; \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{1 \pm}}\right) g_{1 s ; 1 s} .  \tag{3b}\\
\alpha=1, \quad \beta=\frac{1}{2}, \quad m=2, \quad n=2 .
\end{gather*}
$$

[^6]

Fig. 2. $\bar{Q}_{c}=$ arithmetic average of prior and post total capture cross sections. (See text for discussion of $\bar{Q}_{c}$.) $\times=$ experimental values.

$$
\begin{equation*}
g_{2 s ; 2 s}=\frac{1}{32}\left(2+2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha}\right)\left(2+\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta}\right) g_{1 s ; 1 s .} . \tag{3c}
\end{equation*}
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
g_{2 s ; 2 p^{0 ; \pm 1}}=\frac{-i}{32}\left(2+2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha}\right)\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial A_{2 z}} ; \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{2 \pm}}\right) g_{1 s ; 1 s} \tag{3d}
\end{equation*}
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
g_{2 p ; 2 s^{0 ; \pm 1}}=\frac{-i}{16}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial A_{1 z}} ; \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{1 \pm}}\right)\left(2+\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta}\right) g_{1 s ; 1 s} \tag{3e}
\end{equation*}
$$

In Fig. 1, the cross sections, $Q_{1 s ; 18}{ }^{i}$, are compared with the results of BDK. The energy dependence is nearly the same, but the cross sections of this paper are roughly 2.5 times larger than those of BDK. In Fig. 2, the quantity, $\bar{Q}_{c}=\frac{1}{2}\left(Q_{c}{ }^{i}+Q_{c}{ }^{f}\right)$, is compared with the measured values of the cross sections. ${ }^{9} Q_{c}{ }^{i, f}$ is the sum of the calculated cross sections, and the arithmetic average is plotted since it is not known which cross

[^7]Table I. Cross sections, $Q_{m: n}$, in units of $\pi a_{0}{ }^{2}=8.79 \times 10^{-17} \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$ for capture into the state $\mathrm{He}^{+}{ }_{m}+\mathrm{H}_{n} ; i=$ prior, $f=$ post. $Q_{c}=$ sum of calculated cross sections. $Q_{s}=\Sigma_{n}\left(Q_{1 s ; n s}+Q_{2 s ; n s}\right) . Q_{\theta}=Q_{s}+$ other calculated values. $E=$ incident energy of the proton in kev-laboratory system.

${ }^{a}$ These two cross sections were estimated from the approximate relation $Q_{18} ; 38 / Q_{18} ; 28(1000) \approx Q_{18} ; 38 / Q_{18} ; 2 s(703)$.
section is the better representation of the exact Born cross section. The author estimates that the inclusion of the capture cross sections for the omitted final states would not increase $Q_{c}$ by more than $5 \%$, and this increase would not alter the picture that is presented in Fig. 2. Above 40 kev the agreement of the calculated cross sections with the measured values is fairly good. It is not known why the experimental value at 1 Mev exceeds the calculated value; perhaps, as is discussed in BG, this is evidence of a failure of the Born approximation at high energies, or it may be the result of an experimental error, or least likely, for reasons that are given later, it may be the result of the approximate wave function. The most striking feature of Table I is the small $i-f-d$ for the cross sections $Q_{1 s ; n^{i, f}}$ and $Q_{c}{ }^{i, f}$. The $i-f-d$ is larger for simultaneous charge transfer and excitation, and this is expected since the effective overlap of $\mathrm{He}^{+}{ }_{2 s, 2 p}$ and He cover a region of $\mathbf{x}_{1}$ configuration space where the wave function for He is less accurate than in the corresponding overlap region of $\mathrm{He}^{+}{ }_{1 s}$ and He . Since the configuration spaces, $\mathbf{x}_{2}$ of H and $\mathbf{x}_{3}$ of He , are different, the preceding analysis does not apply; however, the numerical results show that the excited states of H are much less effective in producing the $i-f-d$ than are the excited states of $\mathrm{He}^{+}$. There is a remarkable similarity of the ratios $Q_{1 s ; 28} /$
$Q_{1 s ; 1 s}, Q_{1 s ; 2 p} / Q_{1 s ; 2 s}$, and $Q_{1 s ; 3 s} / Q_{1 s ; 2 s}$ (the superscripts $i$ or $f$ are understood) to the corresponding ratios (with the first subscript deleted) for the electron capture process in atomic hydrogen as given in JS. ${ }^{10}$ For an incident proton energy above 70 kev , there are the following approximate equalities among the ratios:

$$
\frac{Q_{1 s ; 2 s}}{Q_{1 s ; 1 s}} \approx \frac{Q_{2 s ; 2 s}}{Q_{2 s ; 1 s}} ; \quad \frac{Q_{1 s ; 3 s}}{Q_{1 s ; 2 s}} \approx \frac{8}{27}
$$

By reason of the first approximate equality, it will be assumed that $Q_{2 s ; 3 s} / Q_{2 s ; 2 s} \approx 8 / 27$ also holds. This $8 / 27$ relation is the first term of the $n^{-3}$ law $\left[Q_{n}=\left(8 / n^{3}\right) Q_{2}\right.$, $n \geq 3$ ] which is discussed in JS. For the purpose of obtaining an estimate of the total contribution from the $s$-state cross sections of the two ions, $\mathrm{He}^{+}(2 s)$ and $\mathrm{He}^{+}(1 s)$, the $n^{-3}$ law will be assumed. Equation (19) of JS is modified to give the following relations:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Q_{1 s ; n s}=Q_{1 s ; 1 s}\left[1+1.616 \frac{Q_{1 s ; 2 s}}{Q_{1 s ; 1 s}}\right] \\
& \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Q_{2 s ; n s}=Q_{2 s ; 1 s}\left[1+1.616 \frac{Q_{2 s ; 2 s}}{Q_{2 s ; 1 s}}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

[^8]These quantities are given in the table along with the cross section, $Q_{e}$, which is defined as, $Q_{e}=\sum_{n}\left[Q_{1 s ; n s}\right.$ $\left.+Q_{2 s ; n s}\right]+$ other calculated cross sections. $Q_{e}$ exceeds $Q_{c}$ by only a few percent. It is unlikely that the inclusion of all other omitted capture cross sections would increase $Q_{e}$ by more than two percent. A comparison of $Q_{e}$ with $\sum_{n}\left[Q_{2 s ; n s}+Q_{1 s ; n s}\right]$ shows that the $s$ states provide the significant contribution to the total capture cross section, and this fact is in precise accord with the results of JS.
It would be interesting to learn whether a better wave function for He would give cross sections that are in better agreement with the experimental values. It is planned to calculate the cross sections, $Q_{1 s ; 11^{i j, f}}$, with the six-parameter wave function of Hylleras. Since this improved wave function provides a larger binding energy for He , and since He is the target atom, it is believed that the capture cross sections will be reduced, and it is hoped that the $i-f-d$ will be smaller. There is some additional evidence to support the remark that the cross sections will be smaller. An improved wave function for $\mathrm{H}^{-}$in the reaction, $\mathrm{H}+\mathrm{H} \rightarrow \mathrm{H}^{-}+\mathrm{H}^{+}$, led to a larger cross section, and this is consistent with the previous conjecture since $\mathrm{H}^{-}$is formed by the capture process. ${ }^{11}$
The author believes that a calculation of the magnitude that is described in this paper deserves the dignity of a few remarks relevant to the calculational details. A Gaussian quadrature method was used to evaluate the integrals. These integrals were calculated with an accuracy of five (or four) significant figures to obtain cross sections with an accuracy of three (or two) places. Simpson's rule was used to integrate the differential cross sections, the starting angular incre-
in order to verify numerically the $n^{-3}$ law for $s$ states as given in JS. (Unpublished work.)
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