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Techniques of general applicability are demonstrated on iodine and europium compounds.

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#### Introduction

Recently a new spectroscopic method, developed by K. Siegbahn and collaborators in Uppsala (1), has found application in elementary chemical analysis (2), and in studies of chemical bonding (3-6). The principle of the method is to deduce the binding energies of the inner core electrons of an atom from very accurate measurements of x-ray produced photoelectron spectra. Its utility as a tool for chemical bonding studies arises from the observation that the electron binding energies are sensitive to the chemical environment of a given atom; such chemically-induced shifts in the core-electron binding energies have been measured in carbon (3), nitrogen (4), oxygen (3), sulfur (5), and chlorine (6).

We report here the results of a study on two heavier elements, iodine and europium (7), in which the core-electron binding energies were measured as a function of the oxidation number of the atom of interest. In iodine, we observed a shift in the core level energies of 0.8 eV per unit change in oxidation number; in europium the corresponding shift was 9.6 eV.

We propose two theoretical models in terms of which our observed corelevel shifts can be understood. The first uses a charged-shell approximation for the molecular orbitals, while the second makes use of an energy cycle to divide the binding energy into a free-ion term and a lattice interaction (Madelung) term.

We also discuss several other promising applications of the photoelectron spectroscopic technique.

#### Experimental Procedure

The experimental technique involves expelling an electron from a level, i, of an atom A with x-radiation greater in energy than the binding energy.

Neglecting contact potential effects, the energy conservation equation is

$$h\nu = E_b(A,i,\underline{X}) + E_{kin}$$
 (1)

where hv is the x-ray energy,  $E_b(A,i,\underline{x})$  is the binding energy of the i-th level of atom A in compound  $\underline{x}$ , and  $E_{kin}$  is the photoelectron kinetic energy. Since x-ray energies have been determined previously to high accuracy, only the kinetic energy need by measured to obtain a binding energy. For this purpose a high-resolution magnetic spectrometer was used (8). The energy resolution of this spectrometer was adjusted to 0.06% full width at half maximum, thereby yielding instrumental line widths of 0.6 eV to 4.8 eV over the kinetic energy range of interest (1 to 8 eV). As the natural line widths are also a few eV, it is easily possible to detect shifts in binding energy of the order of one eV with such a spectrometer.

The apparatus is shown schematically in Figure 1. Radiation from the x-ray tube is filtered slightly with aluminum foil and then impinges upon a flat rectangular (10 mm × 13 mm) powdered sample of the compound under study. Photoelectrons emitted from the sample pass through a defining slit into the spectrometer. For a given current in the spectrometer coils, electrons of a narrow energy range are brought to a focus at the entrance to the Geiger counter. The current is scanned in a stepwise fashion over the region of interest and the resulting pulses from the Geiger counter are stored in a multiscalar (multichannel analyzer). Multiple scans were made in order to average out

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Table 1. Calculated binding energy shifts arising from removal of a 5p electron from various free-ion configurations of iodine. Since the calculations were non-relativistic, levels are not distinguished by the quantum number j, and the notation 2p for example, represents both 2p<sub>1/2</sub> and 2p<sub>3/2</sub>.

I <sup>-1</sup> 5s <sup>2</sup>	<sup>2</sup> 5p <sup>6</sup> I <sup>0</sup> 5	s <sup>2</sup> 5p <sup>5</sup> I <sup>+1</sup> 5s	<sup>2</sup> 5p <sup>4</sup> I <sup>+2</sup> 5s <sup>2</sup>	5p <sup>3</sup> I <sup>+3</sup> 5s <sup>2</sup>	s <sup>2</sup> 5p <sup>2</sup> I <sup>+4</sup> 5s <sup>2</sup> 5p <sup>1</sup>	
Level	ΔE <sub>b</sub> (O-[-1]) (eV)	ΔΕ <sub>b</sub> (1-0) (eV)	ΔE <sub>b</sub> (2-1) (eV)	ΔΕ <sub>b</sub> (3-2) (eV)	△E <sub>b</sub> (4 <b>-</b> 3) (eV)	
2s	8.80	9.90	10.93	12.23	13.14	
2p	8.79	9.87	10.93	12.19	13.16	
3s	8.83	9.89	10.91	12.15	13.04	
3p	8.79	9.87	10.89	12.12	13.01	
3d .	8.78	9.87	10.89	12.15	13.06	•
4s	8.85	9.87	10.82	11.97	12.78	
4p	8.84	9.86	10.79	11.92	12.73	
4đ	8.84	9.85	10.78	11.92	12.72	
5s	8.10	8.65	9.22	9.77	10.21	
5p	8.39	9•37	10.73	9.44	9.90	

Table 2. Comparison of our results for iodine charge and fractional ionic character in KIO3 and KIO4 with those obtained from Mössbauer measurements (reference 11). Those denoted "3/4 Madelung" represent a possible surface correction to our results.

Compound	I-O bond fractional	Charge on iodine	
	ionic character		
Photoelectron spectroscopy:			
Full Madelung-			
KIO <sub>3</sub>	0.67	2.99	
KIO <sub>14</sub>	0.48	2.86	
3/4 Madelung-			
KIO <sub>3</sub>	0.35	1.10	
KIO <sub>14</sub>	0.46	2.71	
Mössbauer:			
KIO <sub>3</sub>	0.31	0.83	
KIO <sub>4</sub>	0.31	1.44	

## Figure Legends

- Fig. 1. Schematic illustration of the experimental apparatus.
- Fig. 2. Photoelectron peaks from KI and  $KIO_h$ .
- Fig. 3. Photoelectron peaks from various europium compounds. The oxidation state of the atom is indicated with each peak. The 2 peaks for the +2 state are due to excitation by two different x-ray lines.

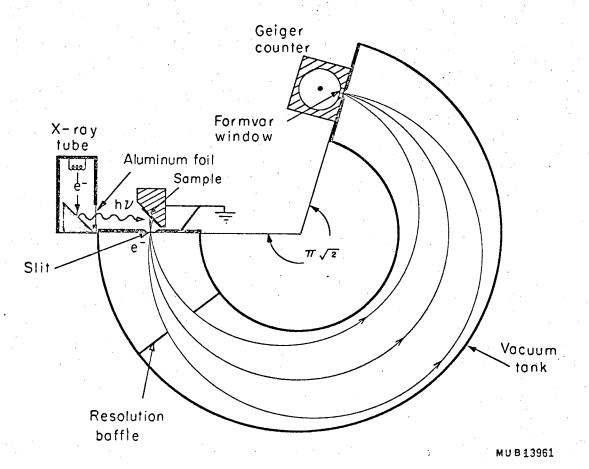
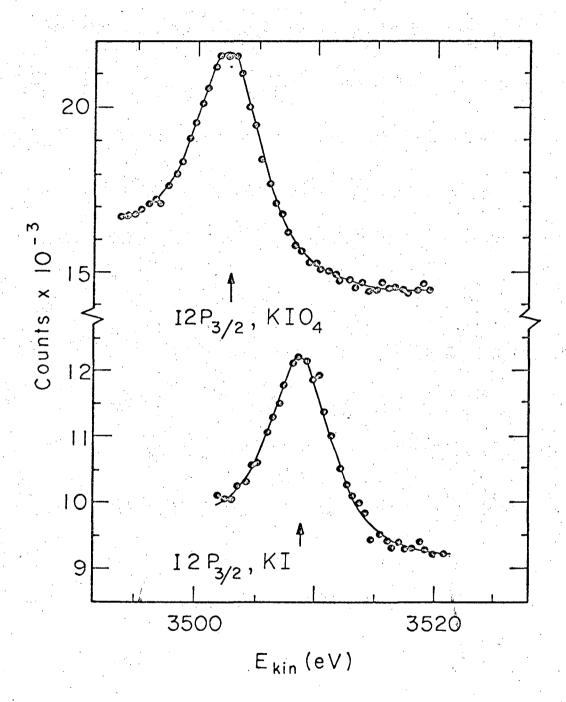


Fig. 1



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Fig. 2

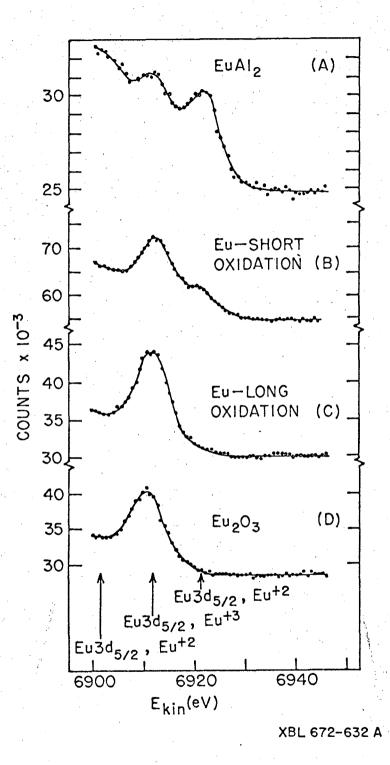


Fig. 3

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