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Recoil effects due to electron shake-off following the beta decay of ${}^6\mathrm{He}^1$ GORDON W.F. DRAKE, EVA SCHULHOFF, University of Windsor — There are currently several experiments in progress to search for new physics beyond the Standard Model by high precision studies of angular correlations in the β decay of the helium isotope ${}^6\mathrm{He}$ to form ${}^6\mathrm{Li} + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$ [1,2]. After the β decay process, the atomic electrons of ${}^6\mathrm{Li}^+$ adjust to the sudden change of nuclear charge from 2 to 3. We calculate the probabilities for electron shake-up and shake-off, including recoil effects, by the use of a Stieltjes imaging representation of the final states. A variety of sum rules provides tight consistency checks on the accuracy of the results. Results obtained previously [3] indicate that there is a 7σ disagreement between theory and experiment for the additional nuclear recoil induced by the emission of atomic shake-off electrons. This disagreement will be further studied, and the results extended to the 1s2p 3P and metastable 1s2s 3S states as initial states of ${}^6\mathrm{He}$ before β -decay.

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