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**Electron-impact ionization of  $\text{Al}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Al}^1$**  DI WU, S.D. LOCH, C.P. BALLANCE, SH.A. ABDEL-NABY, M.S. PINDZOLA, Department of Physics, Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama, 36849 — Electron-impact ionization cross sections are calculated for  $\text{Al}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Al}$ . The non-perturbative R-Matrix with PseudoStates (RMPS) method was used to calculate the direct ionization of the 3s and 2p subshells and the indirect ionization of the 2p subshell for  $\text{Al}^{2+}$  in a single, comprehensive calculation. This model agrees well with the experimental measurement of Thomason and Peart [1]. For  $\text{Al}$ , the RMPS and time-dependent close coupling methods are used to calculate cross sections for incident energies ranging from 5 to 30 eV. The non-perturbative close-coupling methods are found to be substantially lower than the perturbative distorted-wave cross sections due to electron correlation effects in both the direct ionization and indirect excitation-autoionization contributions. In addition, the close-coupling cross sections are found to be in good agreement with experiment [2].

[1] J. W. Thomason and B. Peart *J Phys B* **31** L 201 (1998)

[2] R. S. Freund et al *Phys. Rev. A* **41** 3575 (1990)

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