

Photoelectric-001-worked

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Answer **all** the questions.

This section is based on the Advance Notice article, which is an insert.

- 7 In 1905, Einstein explained the photoelectric effect using the equation

maximum kinetic energy of photoelectrons emitted from a surface = $hf - \phi$

where h is the Planck constant, f is the frequency of light incident on the surface and ϕ is the work function of the surface. Fig. 7.1 shows this relationship for the metal rubidium.

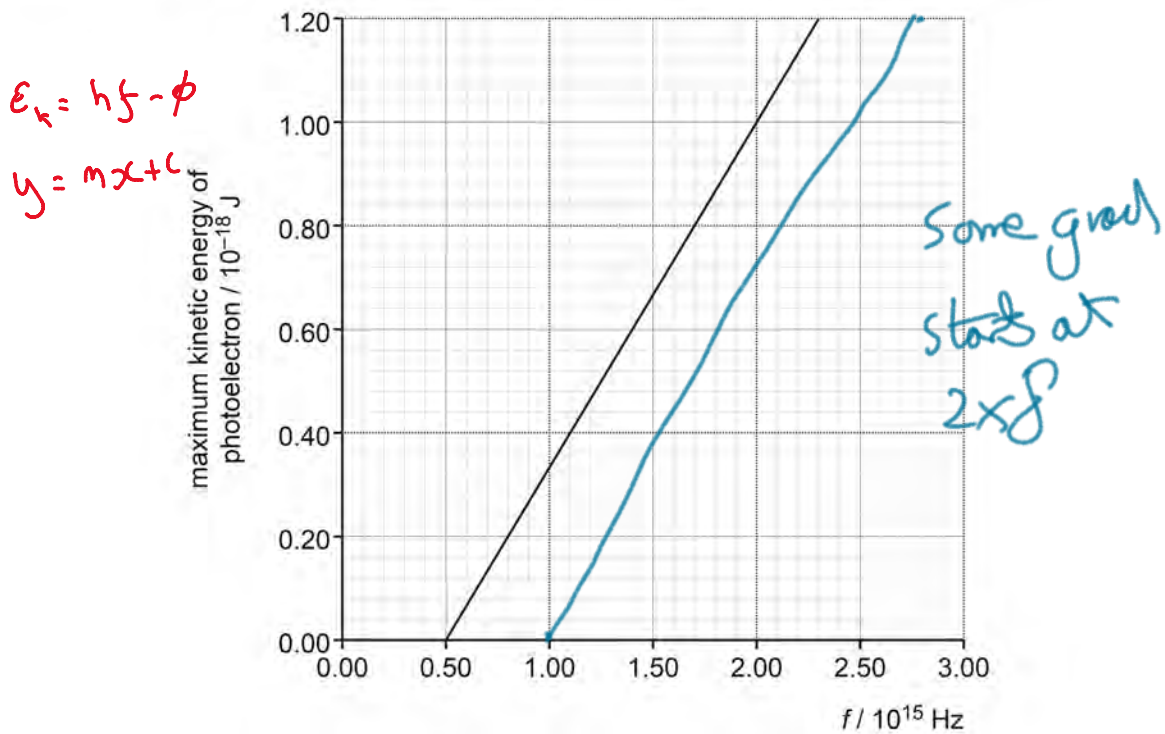


Fig. 7.1

- (a) (i) Use the graph in Fig. 7.1 to find the work function of the metal.

where $E_k = 0$

$$0 = hf_0 - \phi \Rightarrow \phi = hf_0$$

$f_0 = 0.5 \times 10^{15}$

where $K=0$

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6.63×10^{-34}

$$3.3 \times 10^{-19}$$

work function = J [2]

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- (ii) Explain the meaning of the term *work function* and explain why Einstein's equation gives the **maximum** kinetic energy of the electrons emitted for a particular frequency of incident light (lines 14 – 17 in the Article).

ϕ is min energy to release e^- from surface of metal.

Some photons will be absorbed by photons deeper than surface requiring more energy [2]

- (b) Add a second line to the graph of Fig. 7.1 for a metal surface with a work function which is double that of the work function for rubidium. [2]

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$$1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

11 An electron is travelling at a speed of $3.1 \times 10^5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$.

What is its kinetic energy in electronvolts?

A $4.4 \times 10^{-20} \text{ eV}$

B $8.8 \times 10^{-7} \text{ eV}$

C 0.27 eV

D 500 eV

$$E = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \times (3.1 \times 10^5)^2$$

$$= 4.38 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J}$$

$$\therefore \text{eV: } \frac{4.38 \times 10^{-20}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}}$$

Your answer

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9 Electrons accelerated through a potential difference V pass through a thin layer of graphite. The beam forms a diffraction pattern of rings on a fluorescent screen.

When V is made larger the diameter of the rings get smaller and they also become brighter.

Which **one** of the following statements about this experiment is correct?

A The power delivered to the fluorescent screen decreases as V increases.

B The diameter of the diffraction rings is independent of the interatomic spacings in graphite.

C The wavelength of the electrons decreases as their kinetic energy increases.

D The momentum of the electrons decreases as V increases.

Your answer

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The probability of arrival of a photon at a position

- A is proportional to the amplitude of the waves arriving at that position.
- B is greater if the phasor amplitudes for paths from the source to that position "curl up" when they are added.
- C** is proportional to the (resultant phasor amplitude)² for all photon paths from the source to that position.
- D is proportional to the phasor amplitude for the photon path straight from the source to that position.

Your answer

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