

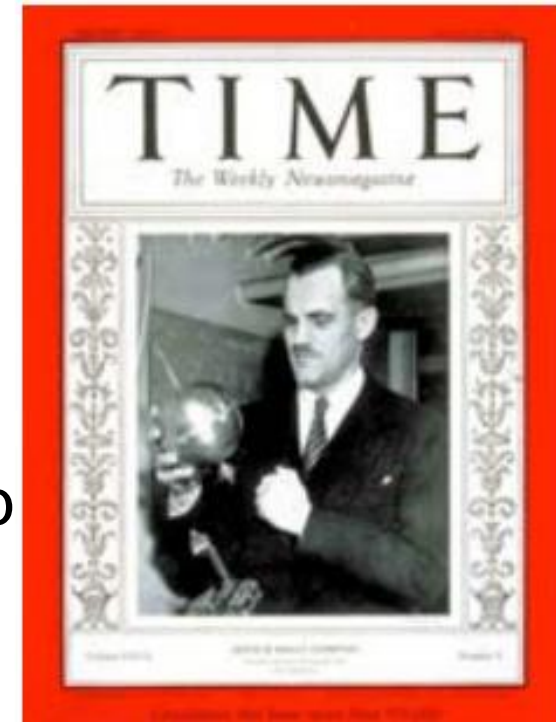
From last time

- Photons can transfer energy to beam of electrons.
- Determined by conservation of momentum, energy.
- Compton awarded 1927 Nobel prize for showing that this occurs just as two balls colliding.

$$\lambda_2 - \lambda_1 = \frac{h}{m_0 c} (1 - \cos \theta)$$

Compton shift

Compton wavelength
0.0243 angstrom



Arthur Compton
Jan 13, 1936

Quantum Mechanics: Compton Scattering

mom. cons.

$$\vec{p}_1 = \vec{p}_2 + \vec{p}_e$$

$$\vec{p}_e = \vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_2, \quad p_e^2 = p_1^2 + p_2^2 - 2p_1 p_2 \cos\theta \quad (1)$$

energy cons. $p_1 c + E_0 = p_2 c + (E_0^2 + p_e^2 c^2)^{1/2}$

— (2)

$$E_0 + c(p_1 - p_2) = (E_0^2 + p_e^2 c^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\cancel{E_0^2} + c^2(p_1 - p_2)^2 + 2E_0 c(p_1 - p_2) = \cancel{E_0^2} + p_e^2 c^2$$

$$p_e^2 = p_1^2 + p_2^2 - 2p_1 p_2 + \frac{2E_0}{c}(p_1 - p_2) \quad (3)$$

(1) and (3) $\cancel{p_1^2} + \cancel{p_2^2} - 2p_1 p_2 \cos\theta = \cancel{p_1^2} + \cancel{p_2^2} - 2p_1 p_2 + \frac{2E_0}{c}(p_1 - p_2)$

$$\frac{E_0}{c}(p_1 - p_2) = p_1 p_2 (1 - \cos\theta)$$

multiply by $\frac{hc}{p_1 p_2 E_0}$

$$\frac{h}{p_1 p_2} (p_1 - p_2) = \frac{hc}{E_0} (1 - \cos\theta)$$

$$p_1 = \frac{h}{\lambda_1} \quad p_2 = \frac{h}{\lambda_2}$$

$$E_0 = m_0 c^2$$

$$\boxed{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1 = \frac{h}{m_0 c} (1 - \cos\theta)}$$

compton wavelength

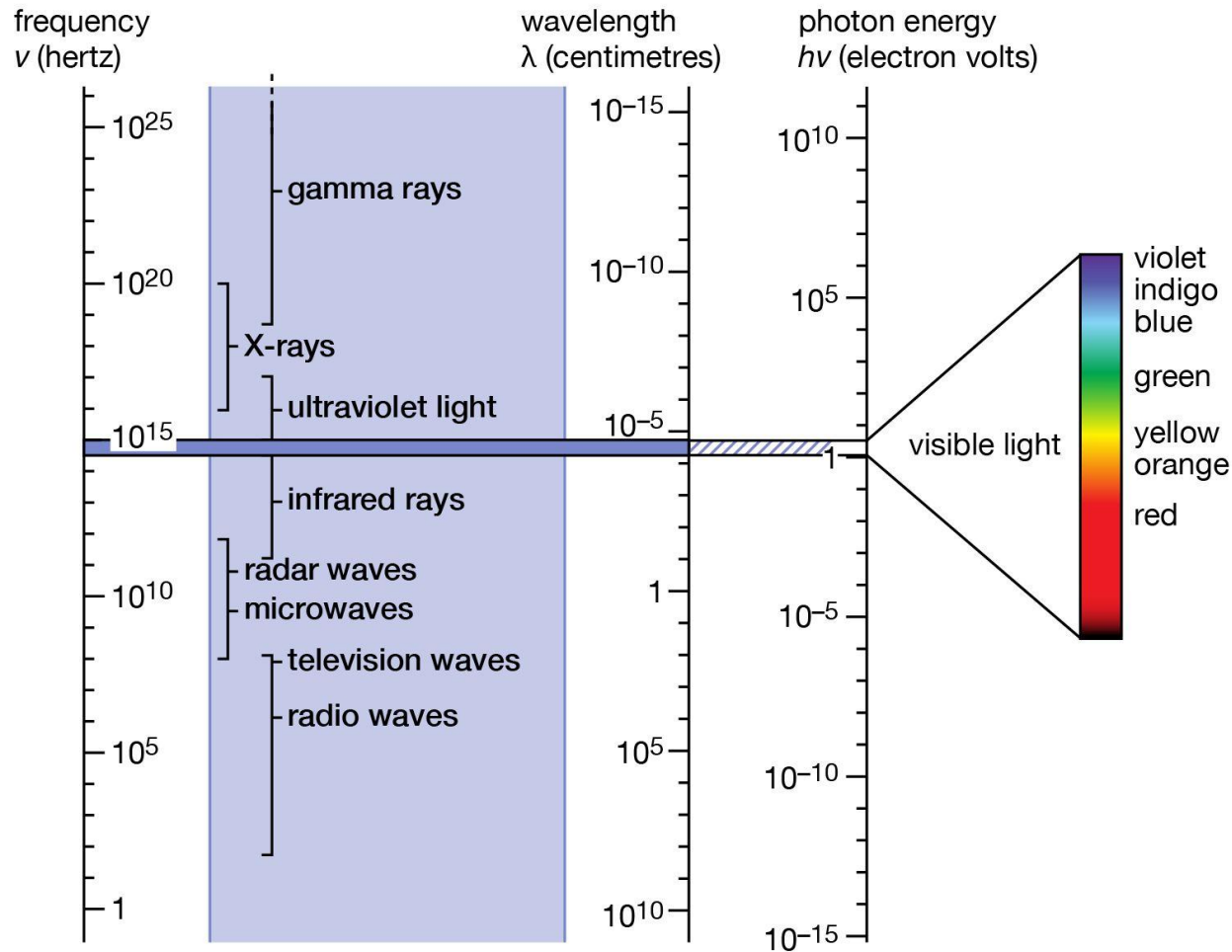
Quantum Mechanics: Photoelectric effect

1. Photoelectric effect: Hertz in 1887 noticed that sparks occurred more readily in the air gap of his transmitter when ultraviolet light was directed at one of the metal balls.
2. He did not follow up his observation, but others did.
3. They discovered that cause of electron emission is sufficiently **high frequency wave**, later this phenomena is termed as **PHOTOELECTRIC EFFECT**

[Ref. Concepts of Modern Physics by Arthur Beiser](#)

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Electromagnetic Spectrum



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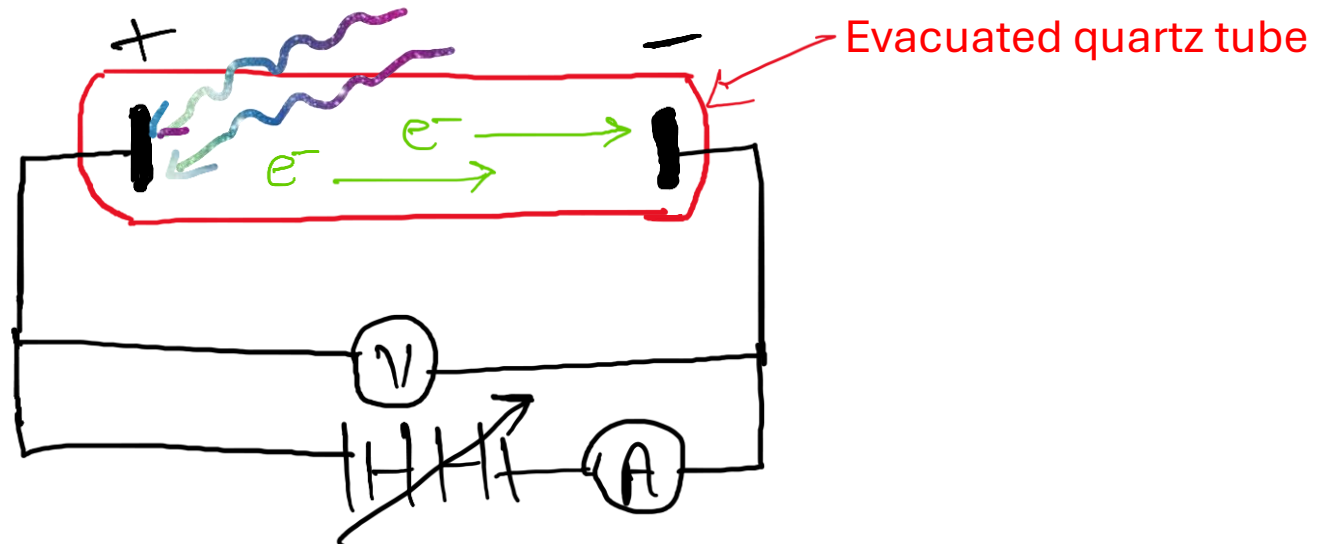
FEW WORDS

1. Threshold frequency(ν_0): Minimum energy required to eject electron (**INCIDENT LIGHT property**)
2. Work function (ϕ): Minimum energy to eject electron from metal (**METAL property**)
 1. Sodium: 2.3eV
 2. Cobalt: 5eV
3. Photoelectron: Electron emitted after absorbing PHOTONS
4. Stopping potential: Minimum potential required to stop electrons from moving between plates.
5. Intensity= no. of photons/second

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Phenomena of emission of electrons on shining light on metallic surface is known as *photoelectric effect*.

Electrons emitted in the process are called photoelectrons.



Existence of photoelectric effect is not surprising, but observations are

Observations from experiment

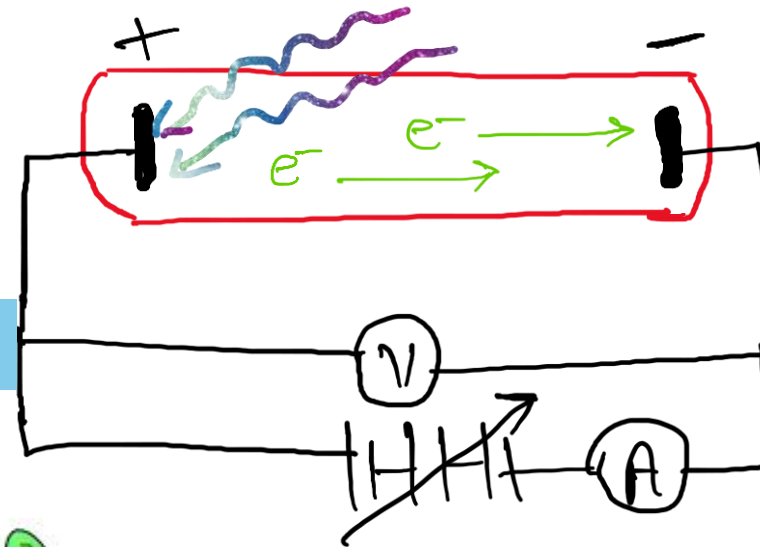
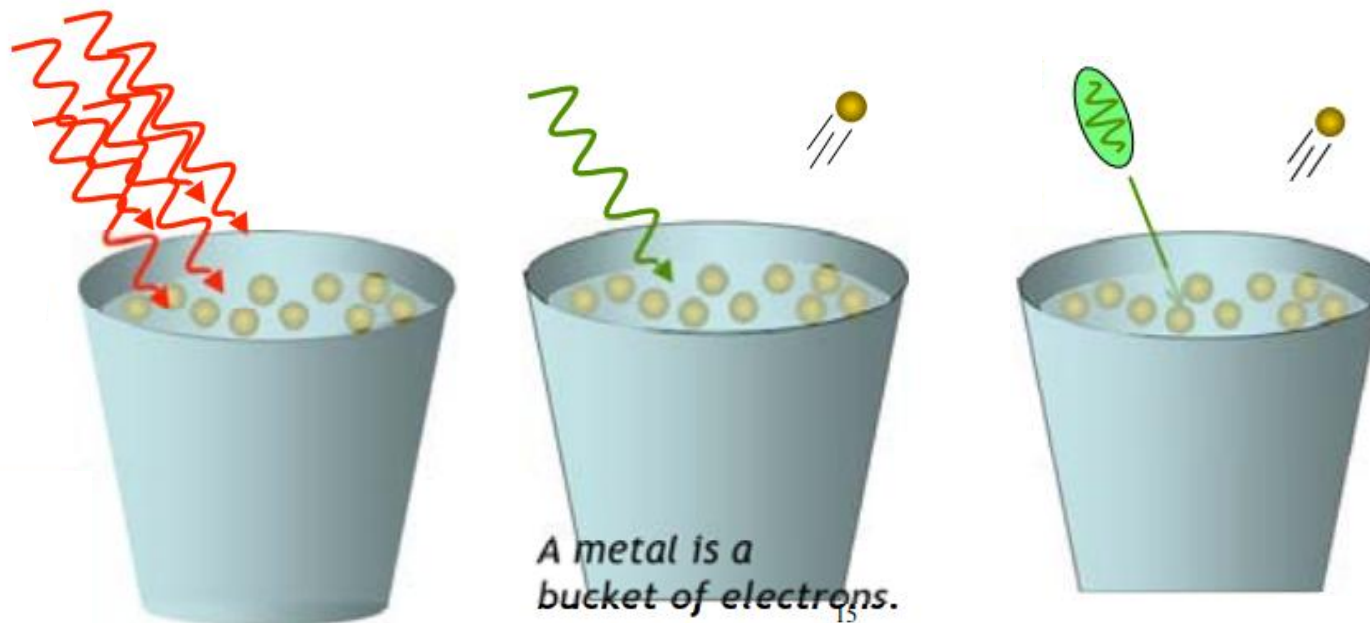
1. Electrons ejected from the metal instantaneously.
2. There is a cut-off wavelength λ_0 such that beam of light (radiation) of wavelength larger than λ_0 does not cause electrons to be ejected from the metal, however strong be the source.
3. The maximum kinetic energy of the photoelectrons from a metal depends only on the wavelength of light and not on intensity.

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Let me put this in following way

Metal \rightarrow bucket filled with electrons
In order to jump out from bucket, electron need some energy
Incident light supply this energy

EVIDENCE OF PARTICLE NATURE OF LIGHT



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Can wave theory of light explains this??

1. Electrons ejected from the metal instantaneously.

Energy of em waves supposed to spread across wavefront , a period of time should elapse before an individual electron accumulates enough energy to leave the metal. E.g. A detectable photoelectron current results when 10^{-6} W/m^2 of em energy is absorbed by a sodium surface. A layer of sodium 1 atom thick and 1m^2 in area contains 10^{19} atoms. Each atom receives energy at an average rate of 10^{-25} W . At this rate over a month would be needed for an atom to accumulate energy of the magnitude that photoelectrons from sodium surface are observed to have.

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EM theory of light predicts more intense the light, greater is the energy of electrons.

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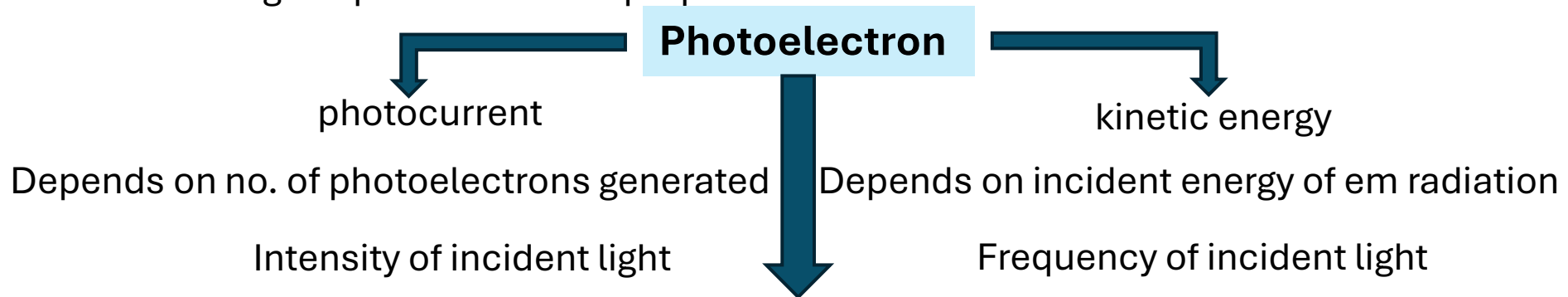
Einstein's explanation in 1905 ; GOT NOBEL PRIZE FOR HIS WORK

- Light consist of particles, individual **particles known as photon**, each with energy $h\nu$ (where ν is frequency).
- PHOTON term was coined by the chemist Gilbert Lewis in 1926.
- Photon must have minimum energy (with frequency ν_o) to knock electron out of the metal.
- If photon doesn't have enough energy, cannot knock electron out.
- *More intensity of incident radiation will increase the **number of photoelectron** and not their kinetic energy.*
$$\phi = h\nu_o$$
$$h\nu = \phi + KE_{max}$$
$$h\nu = h\nu_o + KE_{max}$$
$$KE_{max} = h(\nu - \nu_o)$$
- *With fixed ν_o , **kinetic energy of emitted photoelectrons** is dependent only on frequency of incident EM radiation (ν).*

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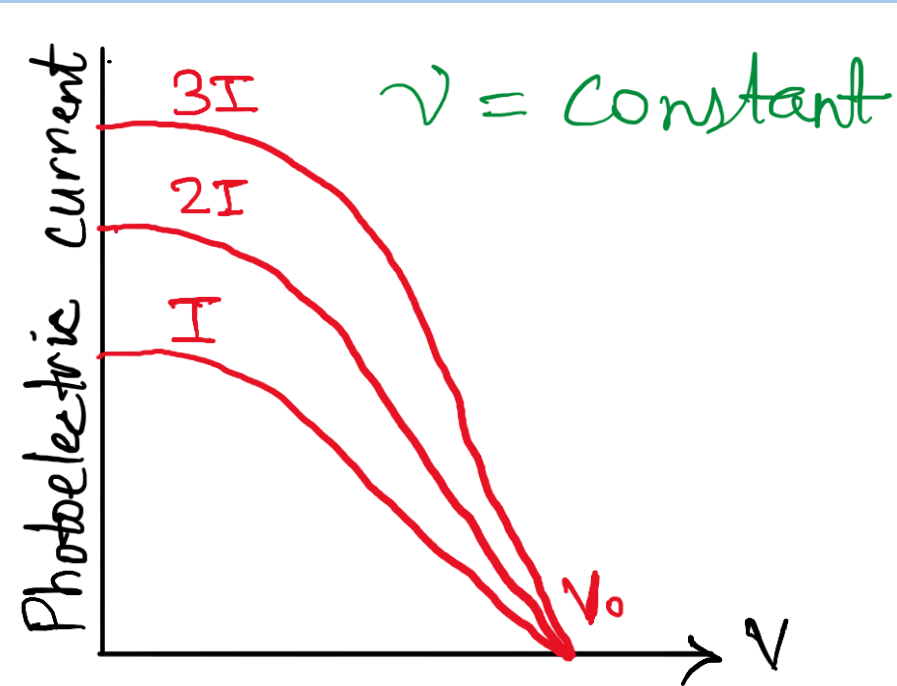
- Summarizing the photoelectrons properties



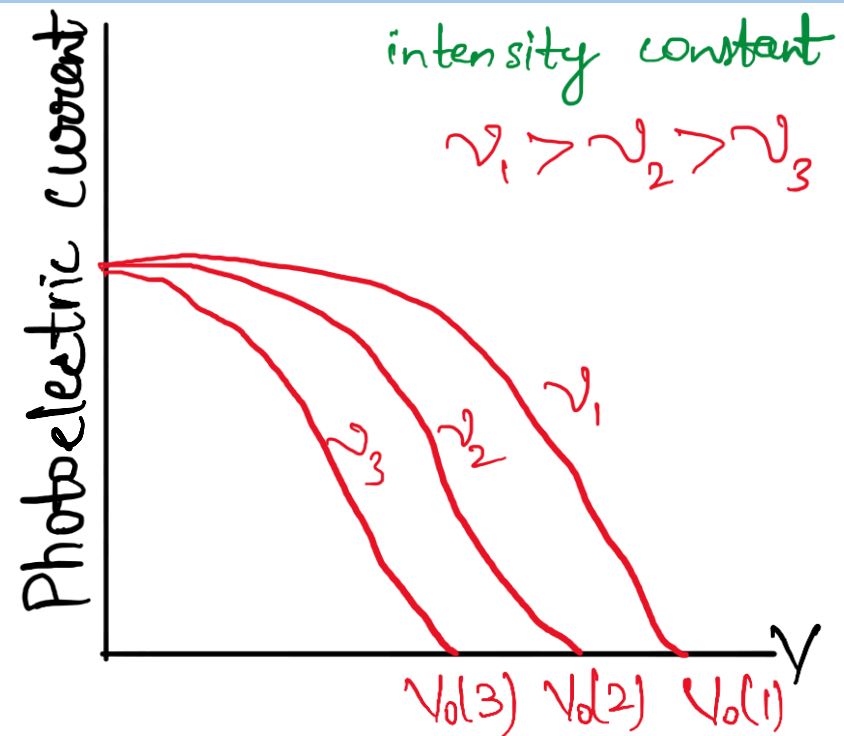
$$\begin{aligned}\phi &= h\nu_o \\ h\nu &= \phi + KE_{max} \\ h\nu &= h\nu_o + KE_{max} \\ KE_{max} &= h(\nu - \nu_o)\end{aligned}$$

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Since ν is constant, so as V_0
 But the number of photoelectrons \rightarrow photocurrent
 Photocurrent \rightarrow dependent on intensity
 Greater the intensity, greater is amount of photocurrent



Since *Intensity* is constant, so as photocurrent
 KE of photoelectrons \rightarrow incident ν
 Higher $\nu \rightarrow$ higher KE
 Greater the KE, greater is stopping potential