

- 9 For a particular metal surface, it is observed that there is a minimum frequency of light below which photoelectric emission does not occur. This observation provides evidence for a particulate nature of electromagnetic radiation.

- (a) State three further observations from photoelectric emission that provide evidence for a particulate nature of electromagnetic radiation.

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- (b) Some data for the variation with frequency f of the maximum kinetic energy E_{MAX} of electrons emitted from a metal surface are shown in Fig. 9.1.

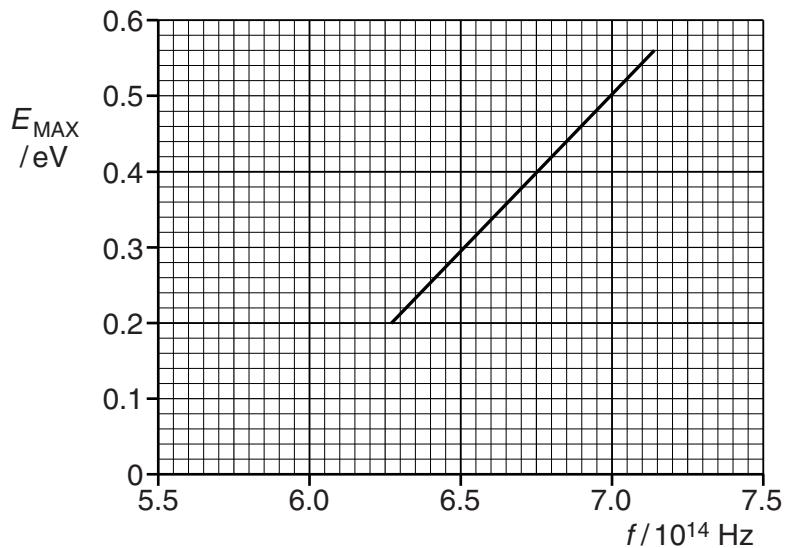


Fig. 9.1

- (i) Explain why emitted electrons may have kinetic energy less than the maximum at any particular frequency.

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(ii) Use Fig.9.1 to determine

1. the threshold frequency,

threshold frequency = Hz [1]

2. the work function energy, in eV, of the metal surface.

work function energy = eV [3]