

7 The photoelectric effect may be represented by the equation

photon energy = work function energy + maximum kinetic energy of electron.

- (a) State what is meant by *work function energy*.

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- (b) The variation with frequency f of the maximum kinetic energy E_K of photoelectrons emitted from the surface of sodium metal is shown in Fig. 7.1.

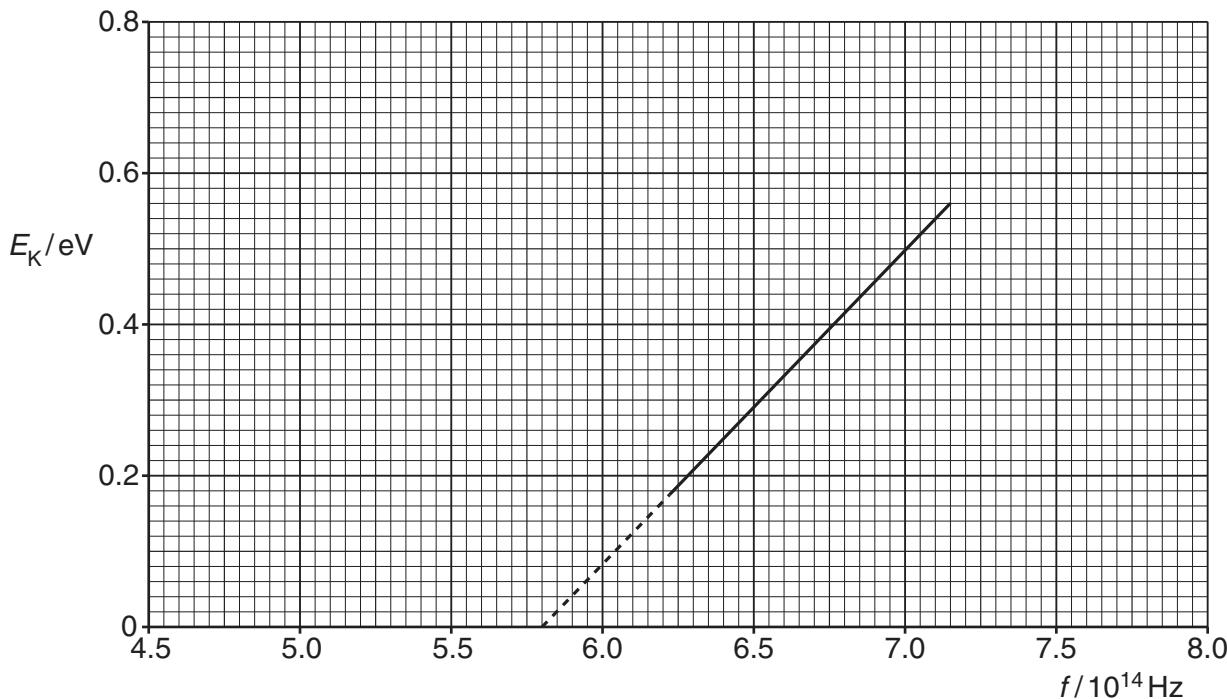


Fig. 7.1

Use the gradient of the graph of Fig. 7.1 to determine a value for the Planck constant h . Show your working.

$h = \dots$ Js [2]

- (c) The sodium metal in (b) has a work function energy of 2.4 eV. The sodium is replaced by calcium which has a work function energy of 2.9 eV.

On Fig. 7.1, draw a line to show the variation with frequency f of the maximum kinetic energy E_K of photoelectrons emitted from the surface of calcium. [3]