

- 7 (a) In an experiment to investigate the photoelectric effect, a student measures the wavelength λ of the light incident on a metal surface and the maximum kinetic energy E_{\max} of the emitted electrons.

- (i) The student observes that the emission of electrons is almost instantaneous.

Explain how this observation supports the particulate nature of photon.

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- (ii) Suggest why the emitted electrons have a range of energies, from very low to a maximum value of E_{\max} .

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- (iii) The variation with E_{\max} of $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ is shown in Fig. 7.1.

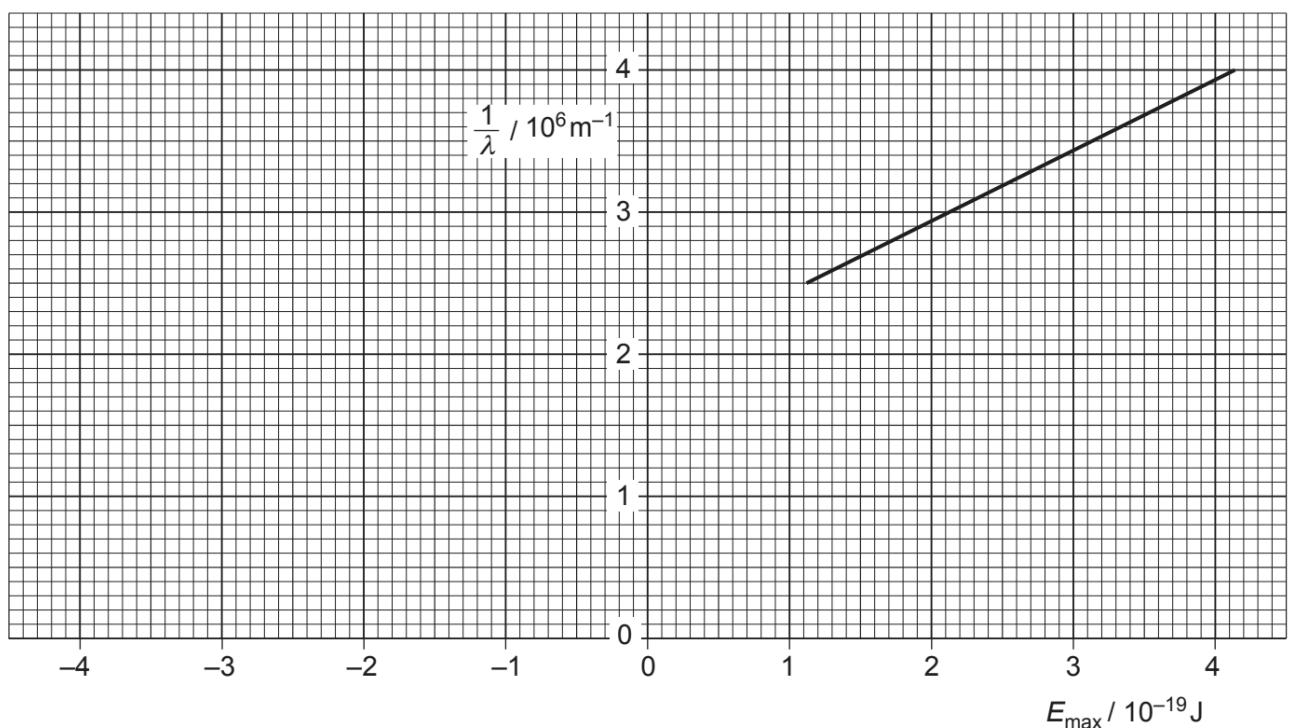


Fig. 7.1

1. Use Fig. 7.1 to determine work function of the metal the student used.

work function = J [1]

2. Use Fig. 7.1 to determine a value for the Planck's constant obtained by the student.

Planck's constant = J s [2]

- (iv) In a separate experiment, the student increases the intensity of a monochromatic light incident on the metal.

State and explain the effect, if any, on E_{\max} .

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- (b) Fig. 7.2 shows three of the energy levels in an isolated hydrogen atom. The lowest energy level is known as the ground state.

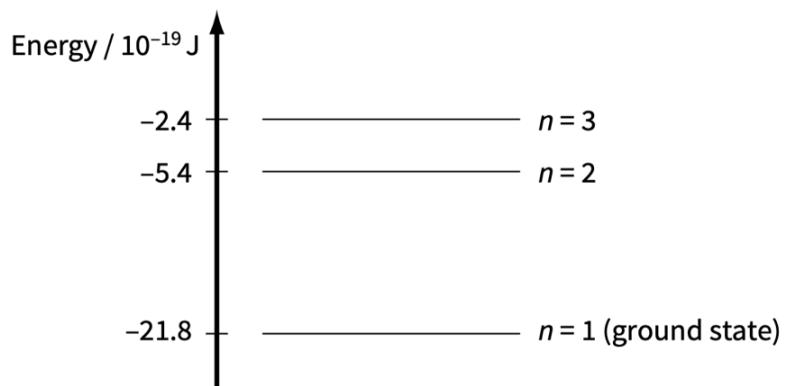


Fig. 7.2

- (i) A particular dark spectral line of the hydrogen absorption spectrum has wavelength 663 nm.

Determine the transition that results in this dark line. Show your working clearly.

$n = \dots$ to $n = \dots$ [3]

- (ii) The energy E in each energy levels are labelled with n , the principal quantum number.

Use Fig. 7.2 to show that E is inversely proportional to n^2 . Show your working clearly.

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