

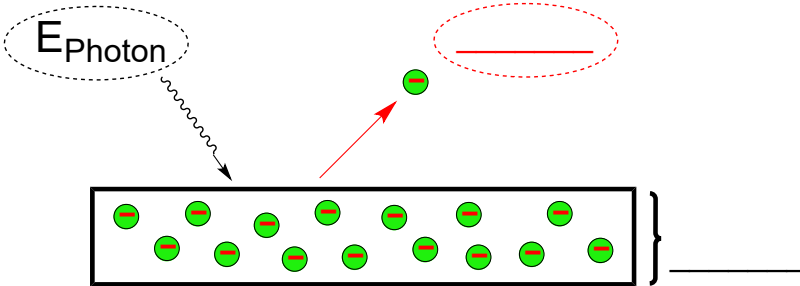
## CONCEPT: PHOTOELECTRIC EFFECT

- Einstein theorized that if a photon met an energy requirement and struck a metal surface then electrons could be ejected.

# Photoelectric Effect

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A metal surface with free-floating electrons is struck.



☐ When  $\Delta E_{\text{photon}} \text{ \_\_\_\_ } E_{\text{B.E.}}$  an electron will eject from the metal.

☐ When  $\Delta E_{\text{photon}} \text{ \_\_\_\_ } E_{\text{B.E.}}$  an electron will not eject from the metal.

- ☐ **Binding Energy ( $E_{\text{B.E.}}$ ):** The minimum amount of energy needed to eject an electron from a metal.
  - Also known as the \_\_\_\_\_ *frequency (work function)* of the metal.
- ☐ **Kinetic Energy ( $E_{\text{K.E.}}$ ):** The energy an object has due to its speed or motion.
- ☐ The Photoelectric Effect Formula: **Total Energy ( $E_{\text{Photon}}$ )** = \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ (surplus energy)

**EXAMPLE:** The binding energy of electrons on a metal surface are  $7.15 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ . If an outside energy source with  $4.33 \times 10^{-17} \text{ J}$  strikes the metal surface, what would be the kinetic energy of an ejected electron?

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### Photoelectric Effect Formula Expanded

- The formula expands when we are given the additional variables of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

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### Photoelectric Effect Formula (Expanded)

The energy of a photon can be seen as:

$$E_{\text{photon}} = \text{_____} + \text{_____}$$

☐  $E_{\text{photon}} = \text{_____} \cdot \text{_____}$

☐  $E_{\text{B.E.}}$  = binding energy of the metal.

☐  $E_{\text{K.E.}} = \frac{1}{2} \text{_____} \cdot \text{_____}$

☐ 1 electronvolt (eV) = \_\_\_\_\_ J

- ☐ If energy is given in **eV** then we must use the **conversion factor** to change units into **Joules**.

**EXAMPLE:** When the surface of metal is exposed to photons at a frequency of  $7.13 \times 10^{16} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , electrons are emitted with a maximum kinetic energy of  $6.30 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ . Calculate the work function of the metal.

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**PRACTICE:** A metal with a threshold frequency of  $2.15 \times 10^{15} \text{ s}^{-1}$  emits an electron with a velocity of  $7.03 \times 10^6 \text{ m/s}$  when radiation of  $4.88 \times 10^{15} \text{ s}^{-1}$  strikes the metal's surface. Calculate the mass of the electron.

**PRACTICE:** An ultraviolet photon with a wavelength of 320 nm strikes a metal surface. The emitted electron has a kinetic energy of  $3.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$ . What is the binding energy of the electron in kJ/mol? 1 electron volt (eV) =  $1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ .