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Exam 3 tomorrow!

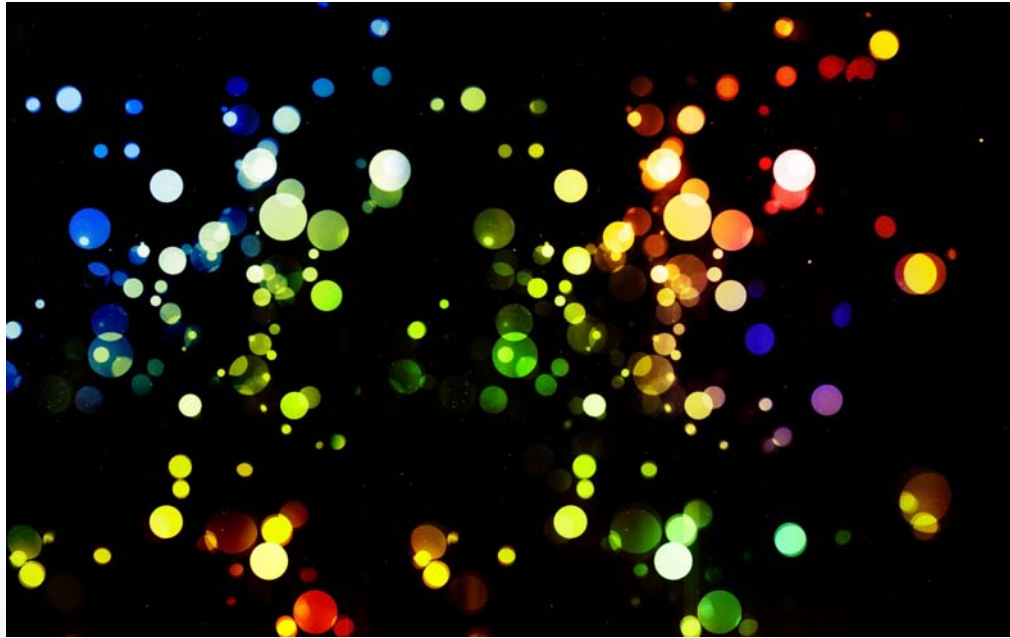
“No amount of energy will make me worry about this material until after the test tomorrow.”

"AIN'T NOBODY GOT TIME FOR THIS....EXAM"

“Studying for the test!!!!”

"Please don't hate me . . I guessed on everything :(Exam 3>>>>>>>> everything else"

“MCB 244 trumps Physics :(“



Phys 102 – Lecture 25

The quantum mechanical model of light

Recall last time...

- Problems with classical physics

Stability of atoms

Atomic spectra

Photoelectric effect

} Today

- Quantum model of the atom

Bohr model – only orbits that fit $n e^- \lambda$ allowed

Angular momentum, energy, radius quantized

$$L_n = n\hbar \quad E_n = -13.6 \text{ eV} \frac{Z^2}{n^2} \quad r_n = 0.0529 \text{ nm} \frac{n^2}{Z}$$

- Today: Quantum model of light

Einstein's photon model

$$\lambda = h/p$$



ACT: Quick review

Consider an atom with a nuclear charge of $+2e$ with a single electron orbiting, in its ground state ($n = 1$), i.e. He^+ .

How much energy is required to ionize the atom totally?

A. 13.6 eV

B. 2×13.6 eV

C. 4×13.6 eV

$$E_n = -13.6 \text{ eV} \frac{Z^2}{n^2}$$

Energy measured relative to
free electron ($E = 0$)

Atomic units

At atomic scales, Joules, meters, kg, etc. are not convenient units

“Electron Volt” – energy gained by charge $+1e$ when accelerated by 1 Volt: $U = qV$ $1e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$, so $1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$

Planck constant: $h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$

Speed of light: $c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$

$$hc \approx 2 \times 10^{25} \text{ J}\cdot\text{m} = \underline{\underline{1240 \text{ eV}\cdot\text{nm}}}$$

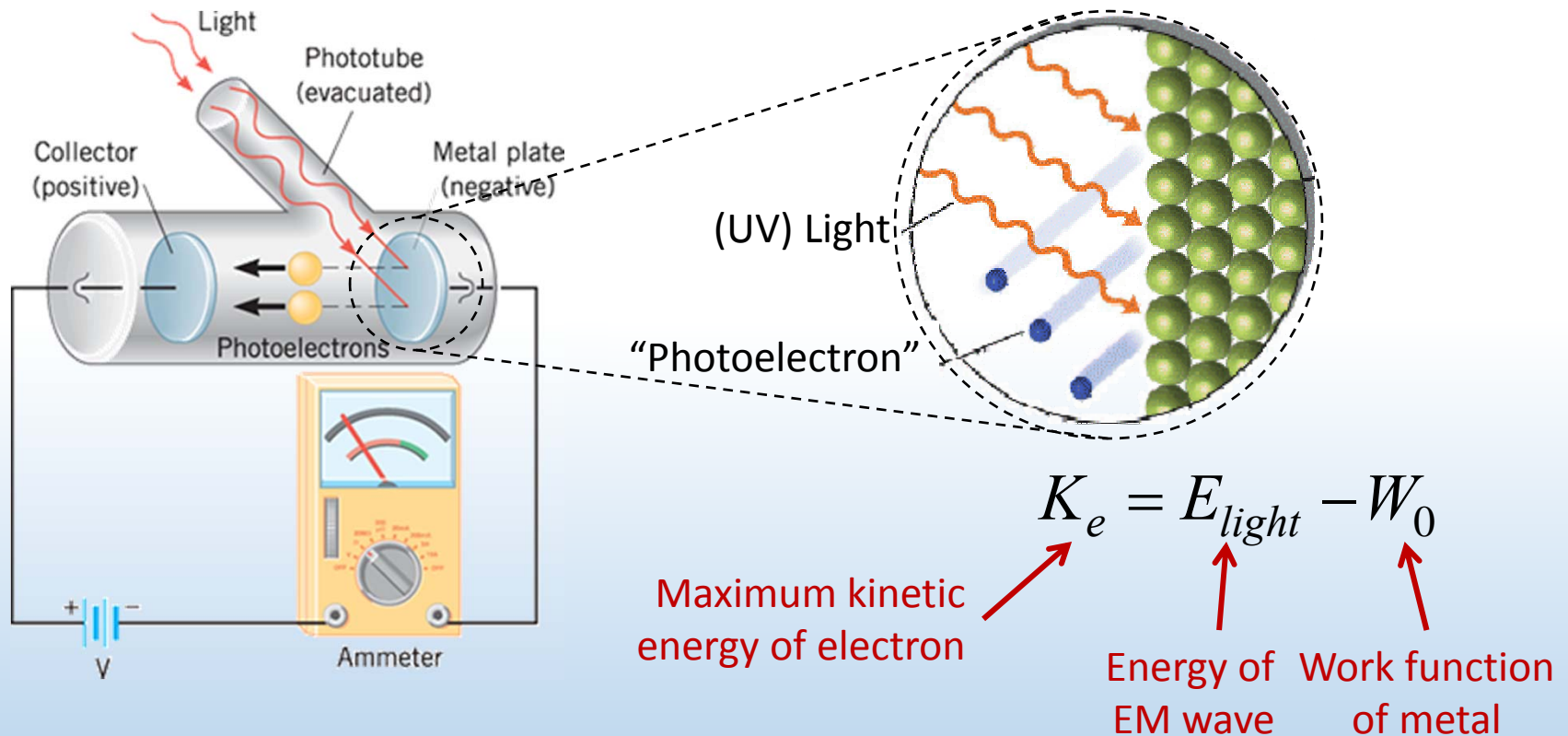
Electron mass: $m = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$ $mc^2 = 8.2 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J} = \underline{\underline{511,000 \text{ eV}}}$

Since $U = \frac{ke^2}{r}$, ke^2 has units of $\text{eV}\cdot\text{nm}$ like hc $ke^2 \approx 1.44 \text{ eV}\cdot\text{nm}$

$$\frac{ke^2}{\hbar c} = 2\pi \frac{ke^2}{hc} \approx \frac{1}{137} \quad \text{“Fine structure constant” (dimensionless)}$$

Photoelectric effect

Light shining on a metal can eject electrons out of atoms



Light must provide enough energy to overcome Coulomb attraction of electron to nuclei: W_0 ("Work function")

Binding energy

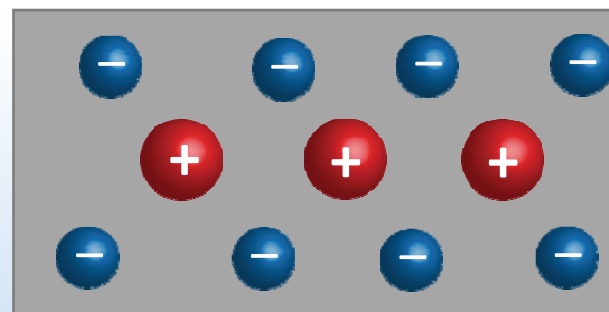
Classical model vs. experiment

$$K_e = E_{\text{light}} - W_0$$

Classical prediction

1. Increasing intensity should increase E_{light} , K_e
2. Changing f (or λ) of light should change nothing

$$E_{\text{light}} \propto I_{\text{light}} = c\bar{u} \propto E_0^2$$



Experimental result

1. Increasing intensity results in more e^- , at *same* K_e
2. Decreasing f (or increasing λ) *decreases* K_e , and below critical value f_0 , e^- emission stops

DEMO

Photon Model of Light

Einstein proposed that light comes in discrete packets called *photons*, with energy:

$$E_{\text{photon}} = hf$$

Photon energy → ← Frequency of EM wave

Planck's constant

$$h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}$$

Ex: energy of a single green photon ($\lambda = 530 \text{ nm}$, in vacuum)

$$f = \frac{c}{\lambda} \quad E_{\text{photon}} = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{1240 \text{ eV} \cdot \text{nm}}{530 \text{ nm}} = 2.3 \text{ eV}$$

Recall Lect. 24

$$\underline{hc = 1240 \text{ eV} \cdot \text{nm}}$$

Energy in a beam of green light (ex: laser pointer)

$$\star E_{\text{light}} = N_{\text{photon}} E_{\text{photon}} \star$$

Checkpoint 2.1: Higher/lower λ
= lower/higher E



ACT: CheckPoint 2.2

A red and blue light emitting diode (LEDs) both output 2.5 mW of light power.

Red = 650 nm & blue = 490nm

RGBIV

Which one emits more photons/second?

32% A. Red

49% B. Blue

19% C. The same

$$P = \frac{\Delta E_{\text{light}}}{\Delta t} = \frac{\Delta N}{\Delta t} E_{\text{photon}}$$

Energy per photon

Number of photons per second

Red light has less energy/photon so if they both have the same total power, red has to have more photons/time!

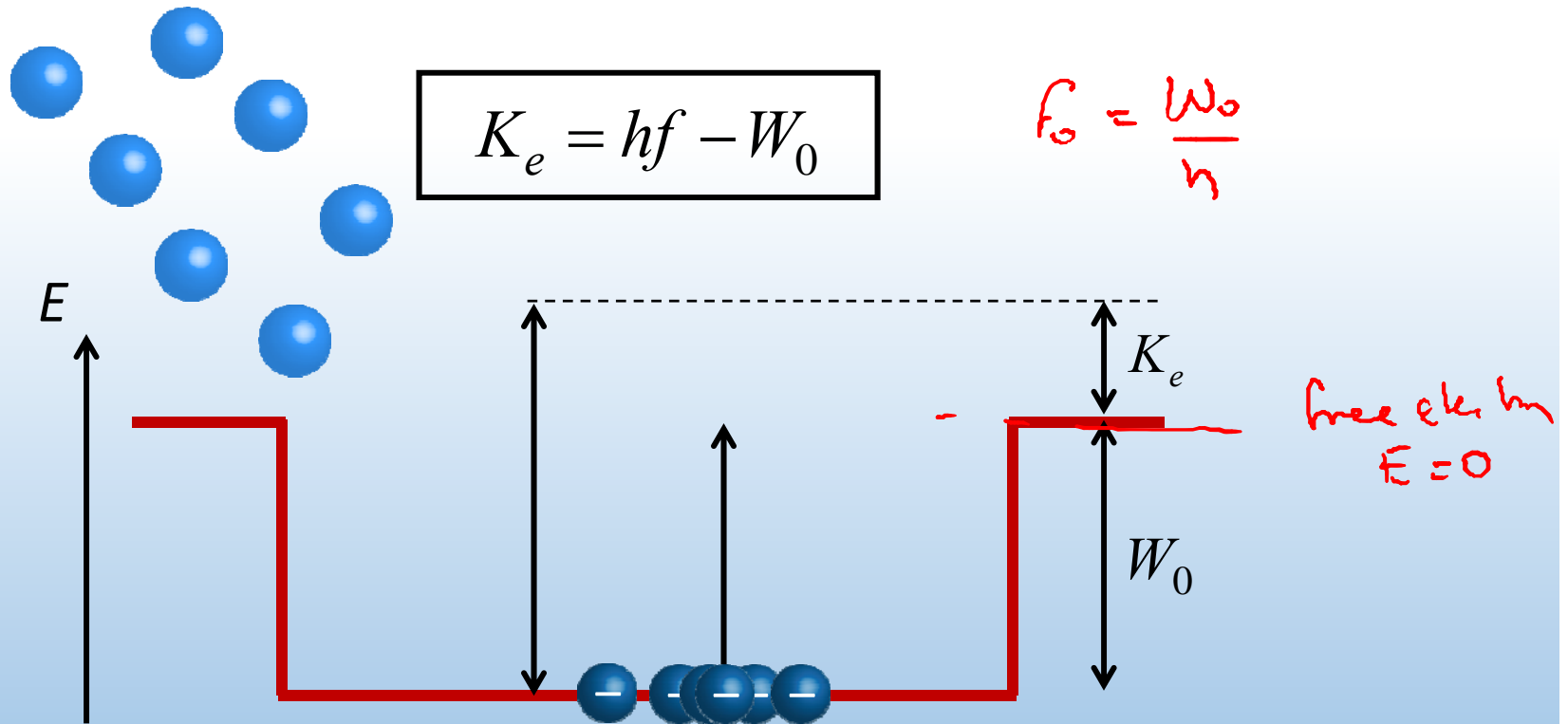
Photoelectric effect explained

Quantum model

1. Increasing intensity results in *more* photons of the same energy
2. Decreasing f (or increasing λ) decreases photon energy

Experimental result

1. More e^- emitted at *same* K_e
2. Lower K_e and if $hf_{\text{photon}} < hf_0 = W_0$ e^- emission stops





ACT: Photoelectric effect

You make a burglar alarm using infrared laser light ($\lambda = 1000 \text{ nm}$) & the photoelectric effect. If the beam hits a metal detector, a current is generated; if blocked the current stops and the alarm is triggered.

Metal 1 – $W_0 = 1 \text{ eV}$
Metal 2 – $W_0 = 1.5 \text{ eV}$
Metal 3 – $W_0 = 2 \text{ eV}$

You have a choice of 3 metals. Which will work?

A. 1 and 2

B. 2 and 3

C. 1 only

D. 3 only

We need:

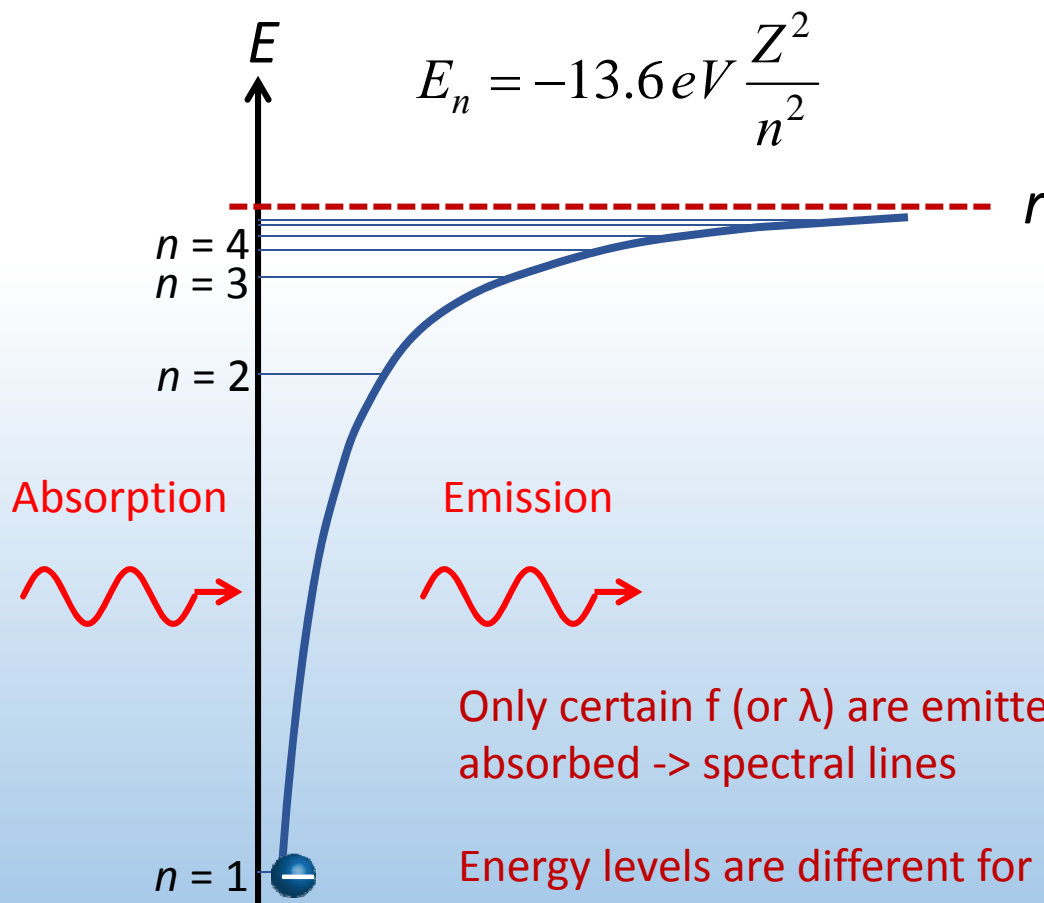
$$K_e = hf - W_0 > 0$$

$$E_{\text{photon}} = hf = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{1240 \text{ eV} \cdot \text{nm}}{1000 \text{ nm}} = 1.24 \text{ eV}$$



Atomic spectra

Electrons in atom are in discrete energy levels



$$E_n = -13.6 \text{ eV} \frac{Z^2}{n^2}$$

e^- can jump from one level to another by absorbing or emitting a photon

Absorption (e^- jumps up in energy)

$$E_i + hf = E_f$$

Emission (e^- jumps down in energy)

$$E_i = E_f + hf$$

Energy is conserved

$$hf = E_n - E_{n'}$$

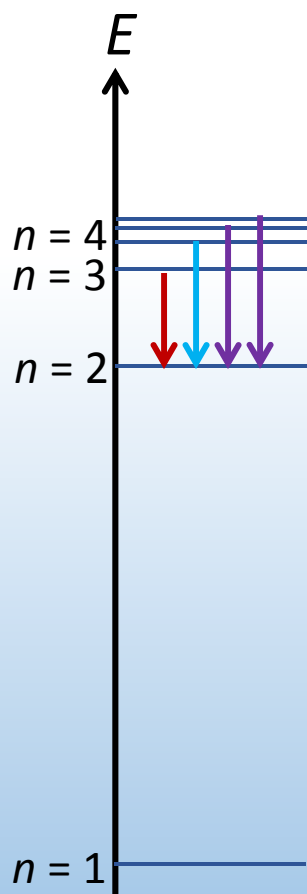
Only certain f (or λ) are emitted or absorbed \rightarrow spectral lines

Energy levels are different for elements, so spectra are different

DEMO

Calculation: H spectral lines

Calculate the wavelength of light emitted by hydrogen electrons as they transition from the $n = 3$ to $n = 2$ levels



Emission:

$$hf = E_i - E_f$$

$$\frac{hc}{\lambda} = 13.6 \text{ eV } Z^2 \left(\frac{1}{n_f^2} - \frac{1}{n_i^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = 1.097 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^{-1} \left(Z^2 \left(\frac{1}{n_f^2} - \frac{1}{n_i^2} \right) \right)$$

$$\lambda = 6.56 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$$

Transition from $n > 3$ to $n = 2$ will generate higher energy/smaller λ photon

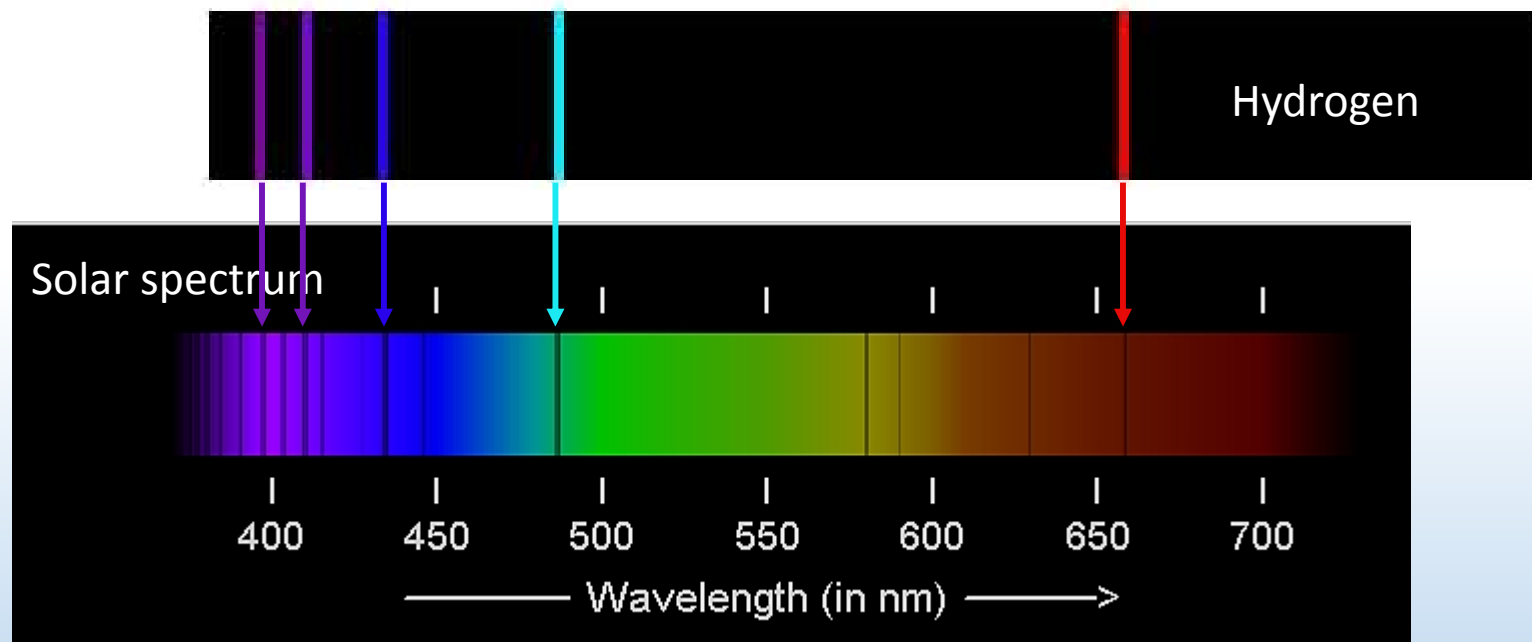
Hydrogen Emission Spectrum



Using $hc = 1240 \text{ eV} \cdot \text{nm}$

Solar spectrum

Spectrum from celestial bodies can be used to identify its composition



Sun radiates over large range of λ because it is hot (5800K). Black spectral lines appear because elements inside sun absorb light at those λ .



ACT: CheckPoint 3.1

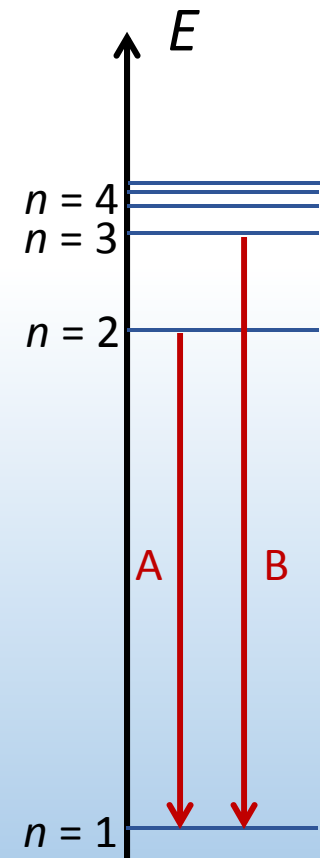
Electron A falls from energy level $n = 2$ to $n = 1$. Electron B falls from energy level $n = 3$ to energy level $n = 1$.

Which photon has a longer wavelength?

- 50% **A. Photon A**
- 36% B. Photon B
- 14% C. Both the same

$$E_{\text{photon}} = hf = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$$

So, $E_A < E_B$ and $\lambda_A > \lambda_B$





ACT: CheckPoint 3.2

The electrons in a large group of hydrogen atoms are excited to the $n = 3$ level.

How many spectral lines will be produced?

8% A. 1

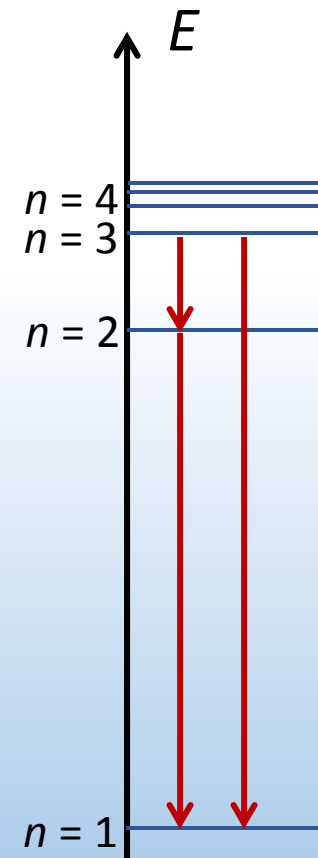
30% B. 2

47% C. 3

11% D. 4

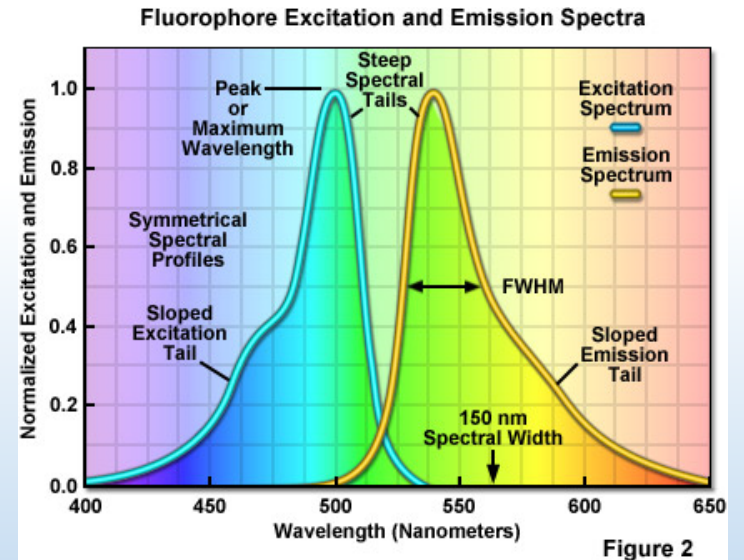
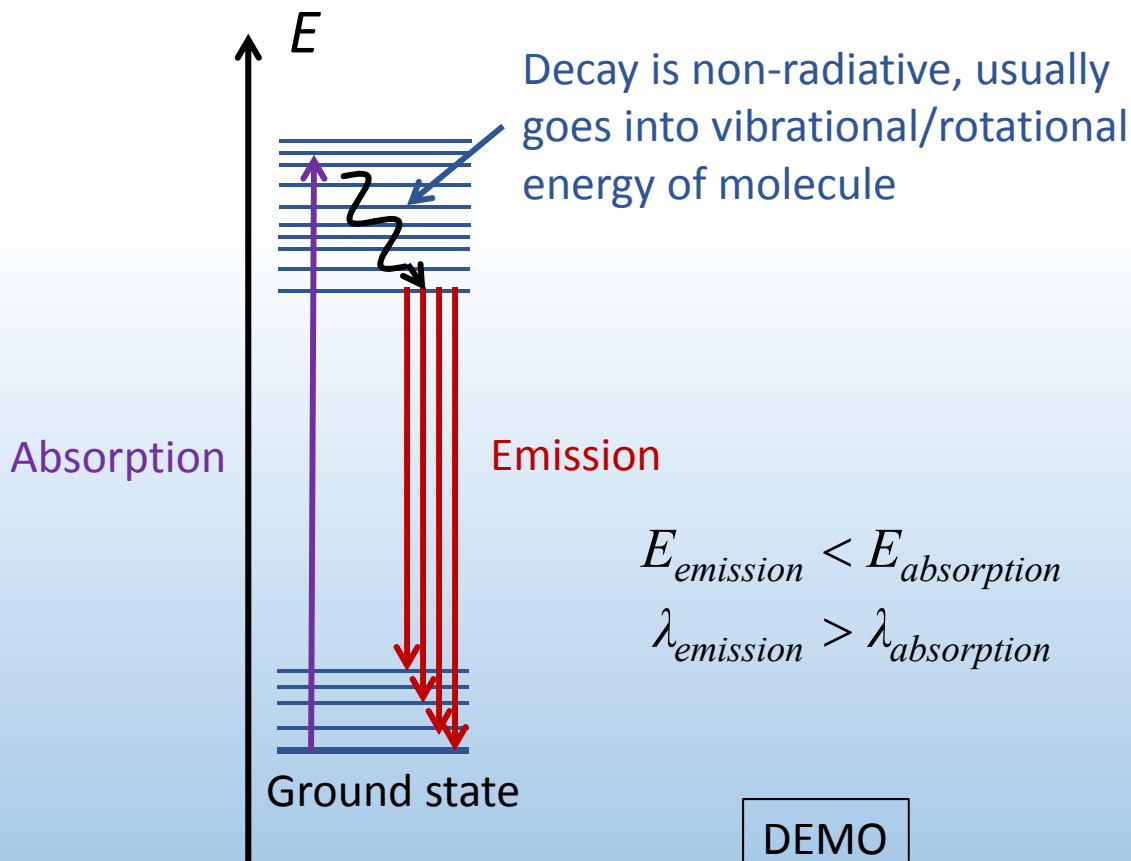
4% E. 5

Notice that $n = 3$ e^- could first decay to $n = 2$, then to $n = 1$



Fluorescence

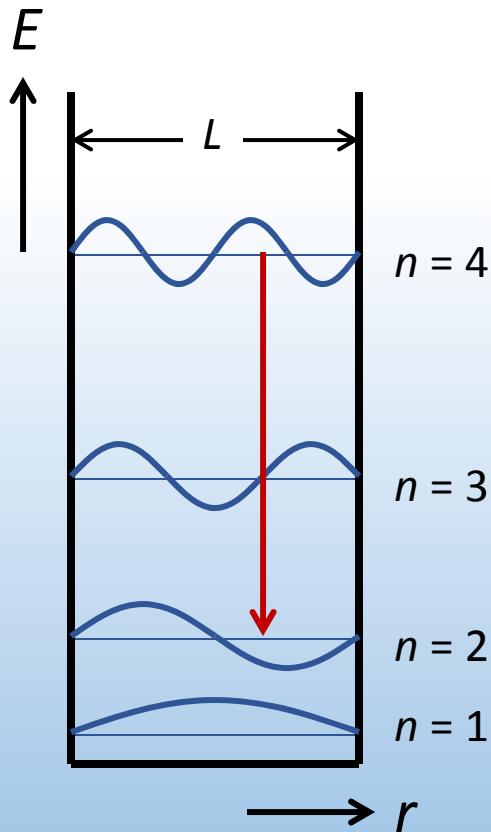
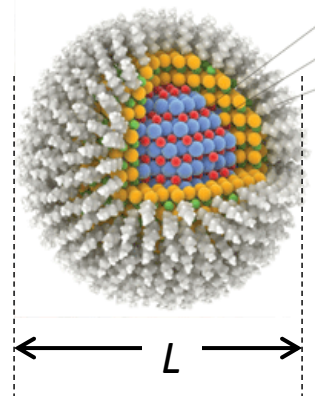
Molecules, like atoms, have discrete energy levels. Usually many more, and organized in *bands*



Fluorescent molecules that emit visible light absorb shorter λ (ex: UV)

Quantum dots: “electron in a box”

Quantum dots (“Q-dots”) are nm-sized particles. Electrons are confined inside nm-sized “box”



Like Bohr model, only e^- λ that fit inside box are allowed:

$$n \frac{\lambda_e}{2} = L \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\lambda = h/p$$

$$E_{tot} = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{p^2}{2m} = \frac{h^2}{2m\lambda_e^2} = \frac{h^2 n^2}{8mL^2}$$

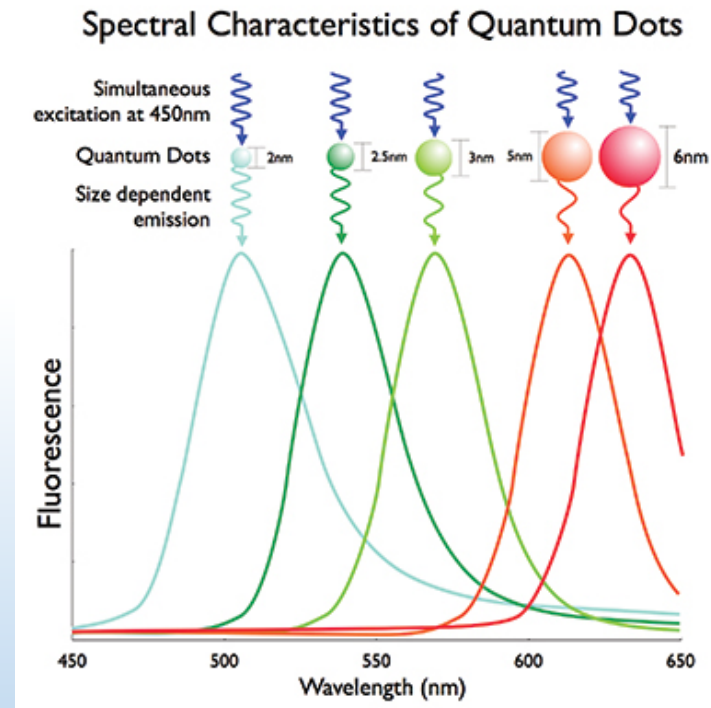
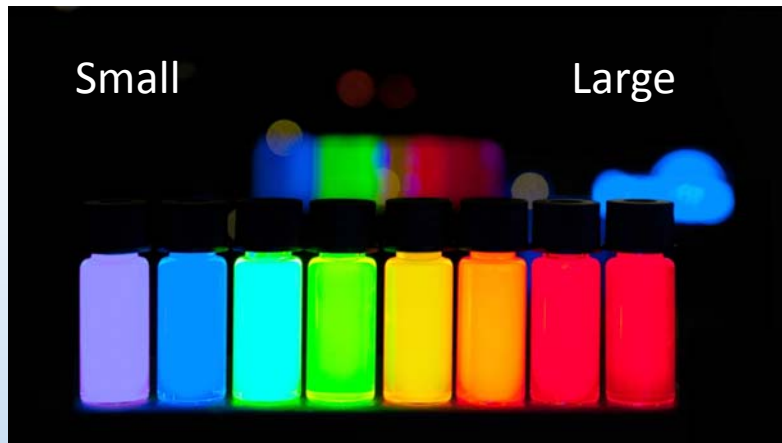
Emitted photon energy depends on Q-dot size:

$$hf = E_n - E_{n'} = \frac{h^2}{8mL^2} (n^2 - n'^2)$$

Quantum dot emission

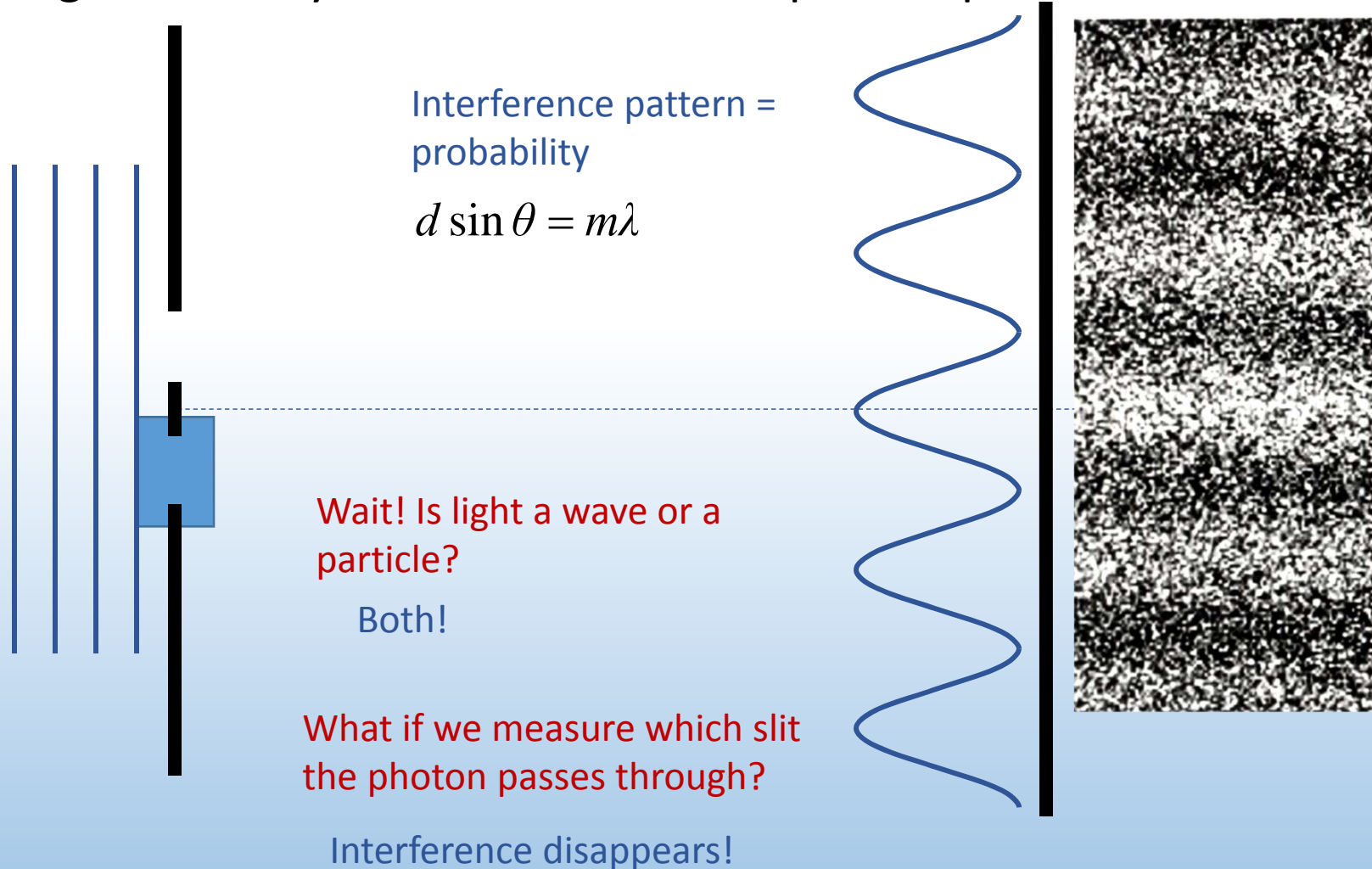
The larger the quantum dot, the longer the emitted photon wavelength

$$hf = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = E_n - E_{n'} = \frac{h^2}{8mL^2}(n^2 - n'^2)$$



Young's double slit revisited

Light intensity is reduced until *one* photon passes at a time





ACT: Photons & electrons

A free photon and an electron have the same energy of 1 eV.

Therefore they must have the same wavelength.

A. True

B. False

$$E_{\text{photon}} = hf = \frac{hc}{\lambda_{\text{photon}}} \quad \lambda_{\text{photon}} = \frac{hc}{E_{\text{photon}}} \\ = \frac{1240 \text{ eV} \cdot \text{nm}}{1 \text{ eV}} = 1240 \text{ nm}$$

$$E_{\text{elec}} = \frac{p^2}{2m} = \frac{h^2}{2m\lambda_{\text{elec}}^2} \quad \lambda_{\text{elec}} = \frac{hc}{\sqrt{2mE_{\text{elec}}}} \\ = \frac{1240 \text{ eV} \cdot \text{nm}}{\sqrt{511,000 \text{ eV} \cdot 1 \text{ eV}}} = 1.23 \text{ nm}$$

Notice BIG difference!

Summary of today's lecture

- Quantum model of light

Light comes in discrete packets of energy $E_{\text{photon}} = hf = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$

Light intensity is related to number of photons, not photon energy

- Spectral lines

Transitions between energy levels $hf = E_n - E_{n'}$

- Wave-particle duality

Waves behave like particles (photons)

Particles behave like waves (electrons)