

## Photons - Mark Scheme

Q1.

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|  | <p>This question assesses a student's ability to show a coherent and logically structured answer with linkages and fully-sustained reasoning.</p> <p>Marks are awarded for indicative content and for how the answer is structured and shows lines of reasoning.</p> <p>The following table shows how the marks should be awarded for indicative content.</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: 20px; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%;">Number of indicative marking points seen in answer</th> <th style="width: 50%;">Number of marks awarded for indicative marking points</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">6</td><td style="text-align: center;">4</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">5-4</td><td style="text-align: center;">3</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">3-2</td><td style="text-align: center;">2</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">1</td><td style="text-align: center;">1</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">0</td><td style="text-align: center;">0</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The following table shows how the marks should be awarded for structure and lines of reasoning.</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: 20px; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 80%;"></th> <th style="width: 20%;">Number of marks awarded for structure of answer and sustained line of reasoning</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Answer shows a coherent and logical structure with linkages and fully sustained lines of reasoning demonstrated throughout</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Answer is partially structured with some linkages and lines of reasoning</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Answer has no linkages between points and is unstructured</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Number of indicative marking points seen in answer | Number of marks awarded for indicative marking points | 6 | 4 | 5-4 | 3 | 3-2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  | Number of marks awarded for structure of answer and sustained line of reasoning | Answer shows a coherent and logical structure with linkages and fully sustained lines of reasoning demonstrated throughout | 2 | Answer is partially structured with some linkages and lines of reasoning | 1 | Answer has no linkages between points and is unstructured | 0 |  |
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| 5-4  | 3   |  |   |   |   |     |   |     |   |   |   |   |   |  |   |  |   |  |   |   |   |  |
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|  | <p><b>Indicative content</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum / threshold frequency required to release electrons.</li> <li>• For waves, any frequency would be able to release electrons.</li> <li>• Release of electrons is instantaneous.</li> <li>• If the wave model were correct, (energy) would take time to build up before electrons were released.</li> <li>• (Kinetic) energy of released electrons dependent on frequency.</li> <li>• If the wave model were correct, the (kinetic) energy of the released electrons would be dependent on the intensity.</li> </ul> |          |
|  | <b>Total for question</b>  | <b>6</b> |

Q2.

| Question Number | Answer  | Mark     |
|-----------------|---|----------|
|                 | Use of $E = hf$ (1)<br>Converts J to eV (1)<br>Transition from (-) 0.54eV to (-) 0.85eV (1)   | (3)      |
|                 | <u>Example of calculation</u><br>$E = hf = (6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}) \times (7.48 \times 10^{13} \text{ Hz}) = 4.96 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J}$<br>$4.96 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J} / (1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J eV}^{-1}) = 0.31 \text{ eV}$ |          |
|                 | <b>Total for question</b>   | <b>3</b> |

Q3.

| Question Number | Answer  | Mark     |
|-----------------|---|----------|
| a               | (Sodium) electrons/atoms gain/absorb energy (1)<br>And electrons move to higher energy levels (1)<br>(Sodium) electrons drop to lower energy levels, releasing <u>photons</u> (1)   | 3        |
|                 | (For MP2 & MP3, allow excited and de-excited)<br>(For MP2 & MP3, do not allow “atoms” for “electrons”)<br>(For “levels” accept shells, orbitals, states)  |          |
| b               | Use of $c = f\lambda$ and Use of $E=hf$ (1)<br>Converts J to eV (1)<br>Energy = 2.11eV (1)  | 3        |
|                 | <u>Example of calculation</u><br>$f = (3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}) / (589 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}) = 5.09 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$<br>$E = (6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}) \times (5.09 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}) = 3.38 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$<br>$E \text{ (in eV)} = (3.38 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}) / (1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J eV}^{-1}) = 2.11 \text{ eV}$ |          |
| c               | Uses $\tan\theta = s / D$ (1)<br>Use of $n\lambda = d\sin\theta$ with $n = 1$ (1)<br>Grating has 301 lines / mm, so the label is correct. (1)   |          |
|                 | <b>OR</b><br>Uses $\sin\theta = \frac{s}{\sqrt{(s^2+D^2)}}$ (1)<br>Use of $n\lambda = d\sin\theta$ with $n = 1$ (1)<br>Grating has 301 lines / mm, so the label is correct. (1)   | 3        |
|                 | (Use of double slit or single slit equations does not gain any credit)<br>(Allow reverse calculation to show that 300 lines per mm leads to a value of $\lambda$ that is close to the given value or that 300 lines per mm leads to a value of $d$ or $\theta$ that is close to a value calculated).  |          |
|                 | <u>Example of calculation</u><br>$\tan\theta = 0.234 \text{ m} / 1.30 \text{ m} = 0.18$<br>$\theta = 10.2^\circ$<br>$n\lambda = d\sin\theta$ , so $d = 589 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m} / \sin 10.2^\circ = 3.33 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$<br>lines per mm = $1 / 3.33 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m} = 301$ .  |          |
|                 | <b>Total for question</b>   | <b>9</b> |

Q4.

| Question Number | Answer  | Mark |
|-----------------|---|------|
| a               | Minimum energy required to release/emit a (photo)electron (from the surface of the metal) (1)   | (1)  |
| b               | Ultraviolet has a higher (photon) energy (than visible light) (1)<br><br>Ultraviolet (photons) have an energy greater than the work function<br>Or Visible light (photons) have an energy less than the work function (1)<br><br><b>OR</b><br>Ultraviolet has a higher frequency (than visible light) (1)<br><br>Ultraviolet has a frequency greater than the threshold frequency<br>Or Visible light has a frequency less than the threshold frequency (1)<br><br>(Allow converse statements for MP1)                  | (2)  |
| ci              | (Increased intensity means) more <u>photons</u> per second (1)<br><br>(More photons leads to) more electrons emitted (per second) (1)<br><br>Reading on ammeter is increased<br>Or Current is increased (1)<br><br>(For MP1 there needs to be an indication of rate e.g. "per unit time")   | (3)  |
| ii              | Use of $E = hf$ (1)<br><br>Use of $V = W/Q$ (1)<br><br>Use of $hf = \Phi + \frac{1}{2} mv_{\max}^2$ (1)<br><br>Work function = $7.6 \times 10^{-19}$ (J) (1)<br><br><u>Example of Calculation</u><br>$hf = \Phi + \frac{1}{2} mv_{\max}^2 = hf = \Phi + QV$<br>$hf = (6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}) (2.00 \times 10^{15} \text{ Hz}) = 1.33 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$<br>$QV/eV = (1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}) (3.59 \text{ V}) = 5.74 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$<br>$hf - eV = 7.56 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ | (4)  |

Q5.

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|                 | <b>B is the correct answer</b> ( $hf = \Phi + KE_{\max}$ so increasing $f$ increases $KE_{\max}$ )<br><br>A is not the correct answer as electrons are released instantaneously<br>C is not the correct answer as increasing intensity only increases the number of electrons released and each electron still has the same kinetic energy<br>D is not the correct answer as it is higher frequency, not wavelength, that eventually passes a threshold value to release electrons | (1)  |