

C3. The photoelectric effect is studied using the apparatus shown. Light of wavelength 450 nm is incident on the lithium surface which has a work function of 2.30 eV.

- (a) Calculate the maximum kinetic energy of electrons emitted from the lithium surface (in eV).

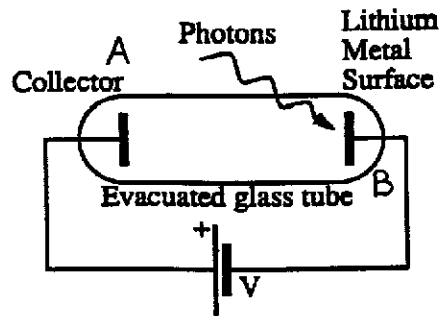
$$0.460 \text{ eV}$$

$$hf = KE_{\max} + W_0$$

$$\frac{hc}{\lambda} = KE_{\max} + W_0$$

$$KE_{\max} = \frac{hc}{\lambda} - W_0 = \frac{(4.14 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV}\cdot\text{s})(3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})}{450 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}} - 2.30 \text{ eV}$$

$$KE_{\max} = 0.46 \text{ eV}$$



- (b) If the potential difference  $V$  is 1.00 V, calculate the maximum kinetic energy of the electrons that reach the collector plate.

$$1.46 \text{ eV}$$

Let collector be A,  
metal surface B:

$$KE_{\max A} + EPE_A = KE_{\max B} + EPE_B$$

$$KE_{\max A} = KE_{\max B} + EPE_B - EPE_A$$

$$KE_{\max A} = KE_{\max B} + q(V_B - V_A)$$

$$KE_{\max A} = KE_{\max B} + (-e)(V_B - V_A)$$

$$KE_{\max A} = 0.46 \text{ eV} - e(-1.00 \text{ V}) = 1.46 \text{ eV}$$