

Brian Wecht, the TA, is away this week. I will substitute for his office hours (in my office 3314 Mayer Hall, discussion and PS session.

Pl. give all regrade requests to me this week

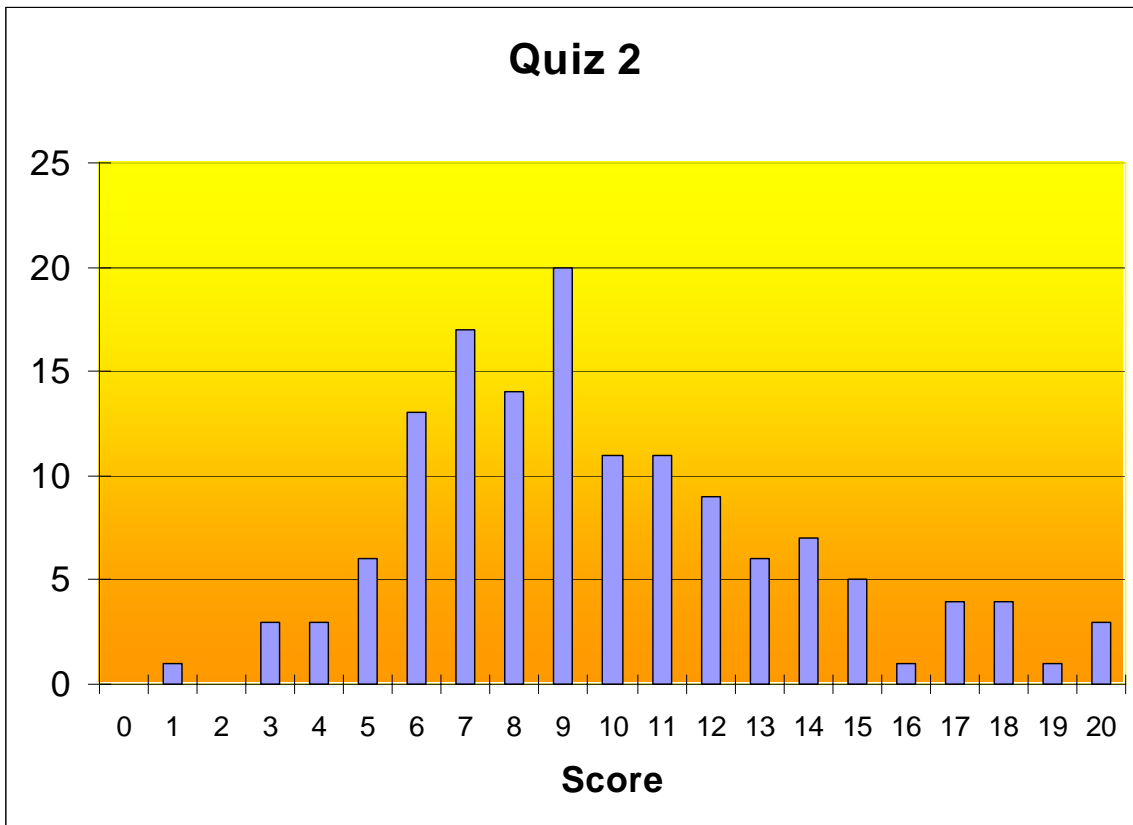
Quiz 3 is This Friday



# Physics 2D Lecture Slides

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## Ch 2 : Quantum Theory Of Light

- **What is the nature of light ?**
  - When it propagates ?
  - When it interacts with Matter?
- **What is Nature of Matter ?**
  - When it interacts with light ?
  - As it propagates ?
- **Revolution in Scientific Thought**
  - Like a firestorm of new ideas (every body goes nuts!..not like Evolution)
    - **Old concepts violently demolished , new ideas born**
      - Interplay of experimental findings & scientific reason
- **One such revolution happened at the turn of 20<sup>th</sup> Century**
  - Led to the birth of Quantum Theory & Modern Physics

# Classical Picture of Light : Maxwell's Equations

- Maxwell's Equations:

$$\oint_S \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{A} = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\oint_S \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{A} = 0$$

$$\oint \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = -\frac{d\Phi_B}{dt}$$

$$\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \mu_0 I + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{d\Phi_E}{dt}$$

$$E = E_{\max} \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$B = B_{\max} \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

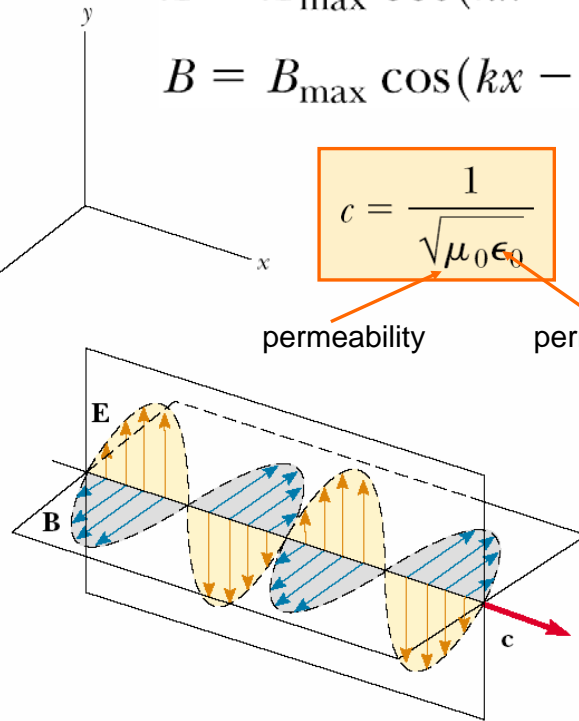
$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}$$

permeability

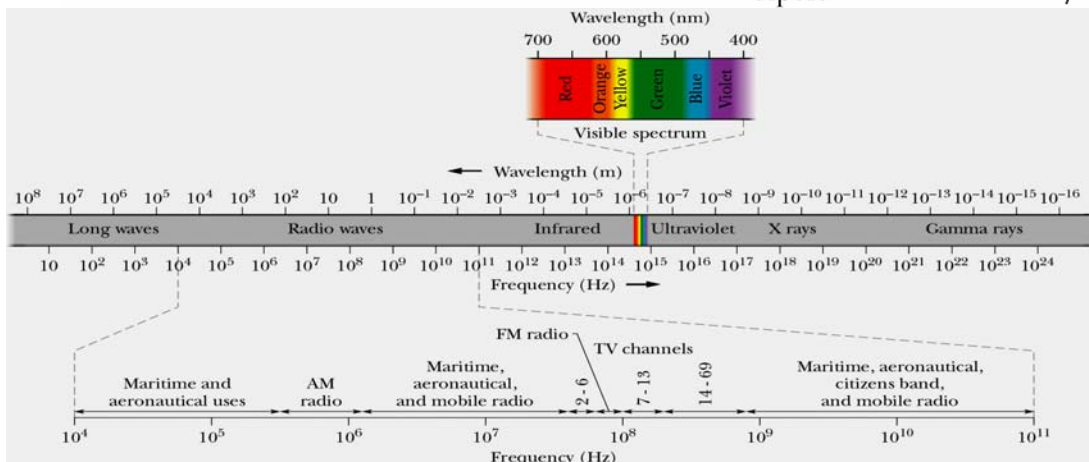
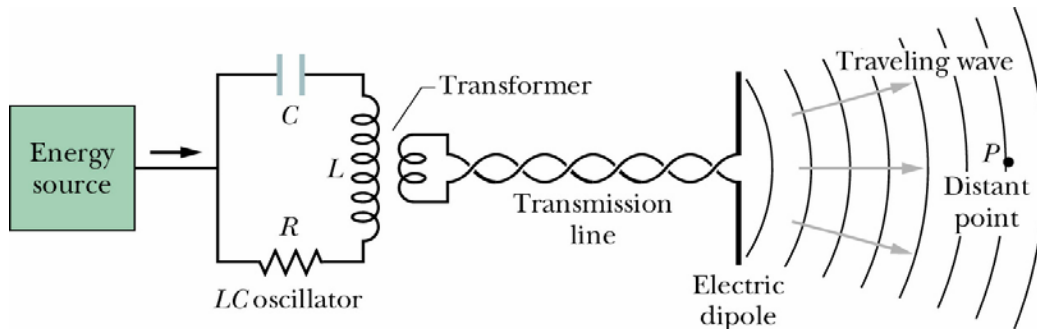
permittivity

$$\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x^2} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2}$$

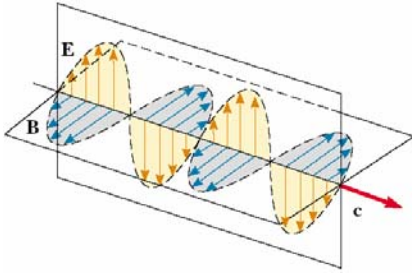
$$\frac{\partial^2 B}{\partial x^2} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 B}{\partial t^2}$$



# Hertz & Experimental Demo of Light as EM Wave



## Properties of EM Waves: Maxwell's Equations



Energy Flow in EM Waves :

$$\text{Poynting Vector } \vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B})$$

$$\text{Power incident on an area } A = \vec{S} \cdot \vec{A} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} (AE_0B_0 \sin^2(kx - \omega t))$$

$$\text{Intensity of Radiation } I = \frac{1}{2\mu_0 c} E_0^2$$

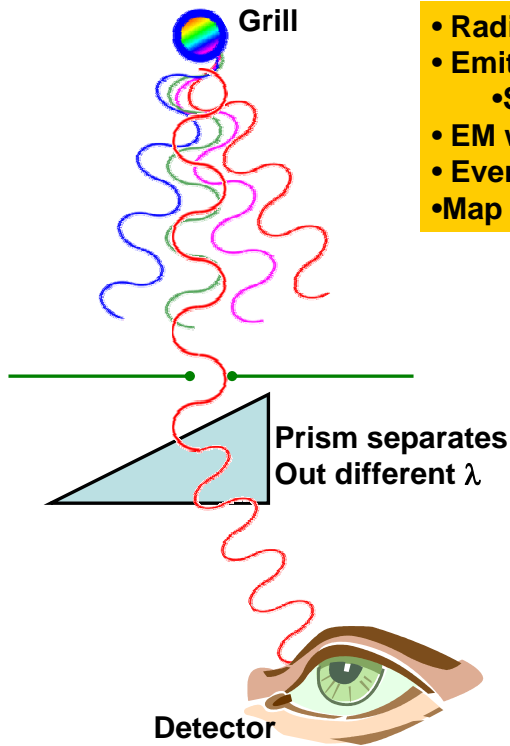
Larger the amplitude of Oscillation  
More intense is the radiation

## Disasters in Classical Physics (1899-1922)

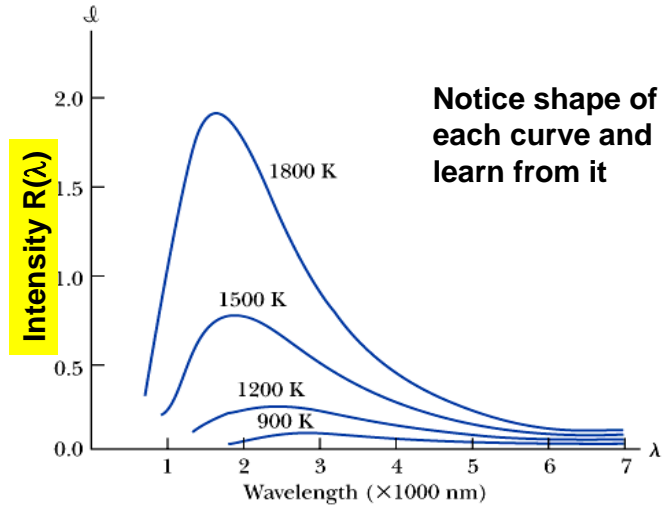
- Disaster → Experimental observation that could not be explained by Classical theory (Phys 2A, 2B, 2C)
  - Disaster # 1 : Nature of Blackbody Radiation from your BBQ grill
  - Disaster # 2: Photo Electric Effect
  - Disaster # 3: Scattering light off electrons (Compton Effect)
- Resolution of Experimental Observation will require radical changes in how we think about nature
  - → QUANTUM MECHANICS
    - The Art of Conversation with Subatomic Particles

# Nature of Radiation: An Expt with BBQ Grill

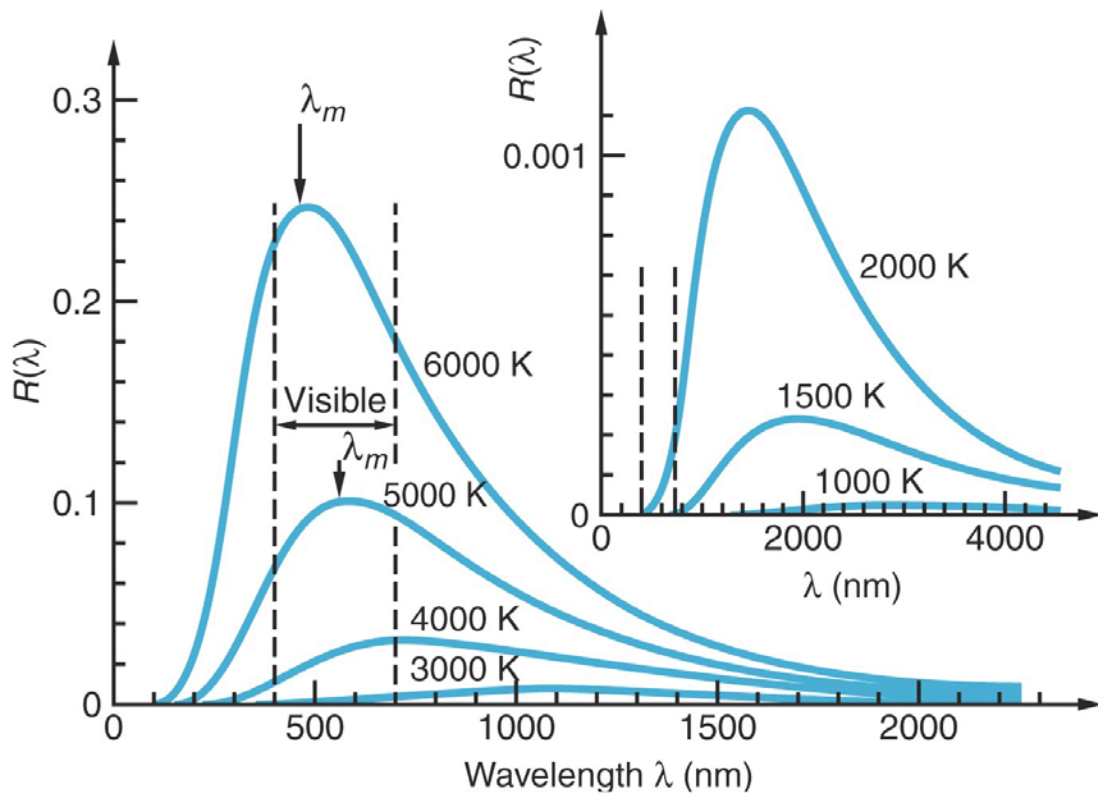
Question : Distribution of Intensity of EM radiation Vs T &  $\lambda$



- Radiator (grill) at some temp T
- Emits variety of wavelengths
  - Some with more intensity than others
- EM waves of diff.  $\lambda$  bend differently within prism
- Eventually recorded by a detector (eye)
- Map out emitted Power / area Vs  $\lambda$

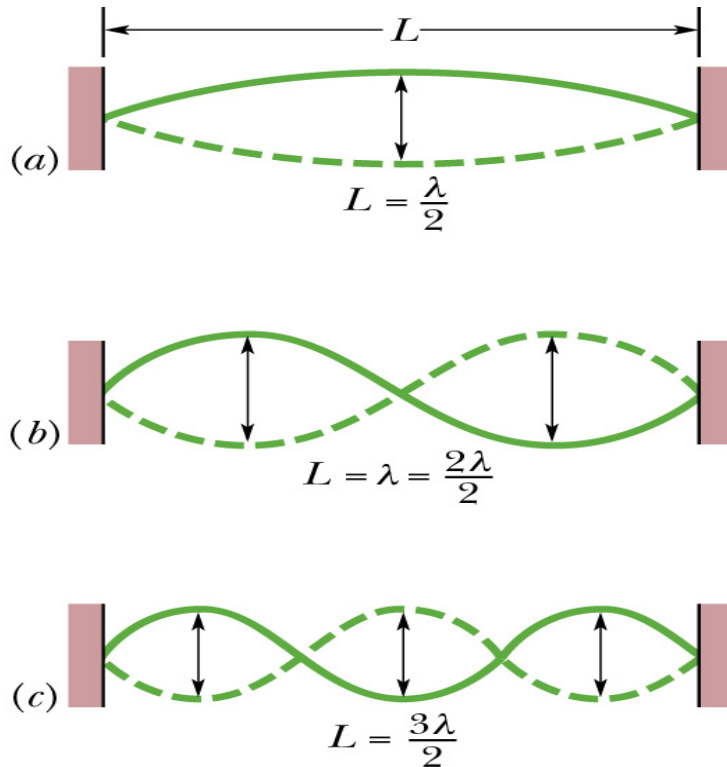


# Radiation from A Blackbody





## Standing Waves



## The Beginning of The End ! How BBQ Broke Physics

### Classical Calculation

# of standing waves between Wavelengths  $\lambda$  and  $\lambda+d\lambda$  are

$$N(\lambda)d\lambda = \frac{8\pi V}{\lambda^4} \bullet d\lambda ; V = \text{Volume of box} = L^3$$

Each standing wave contributes energy  $E = kT$  to radiation in Box

Energy density  $u(\lambda) = [\text{\# of standing waves/volume}] \times \text{Energy/Standing Wave}$

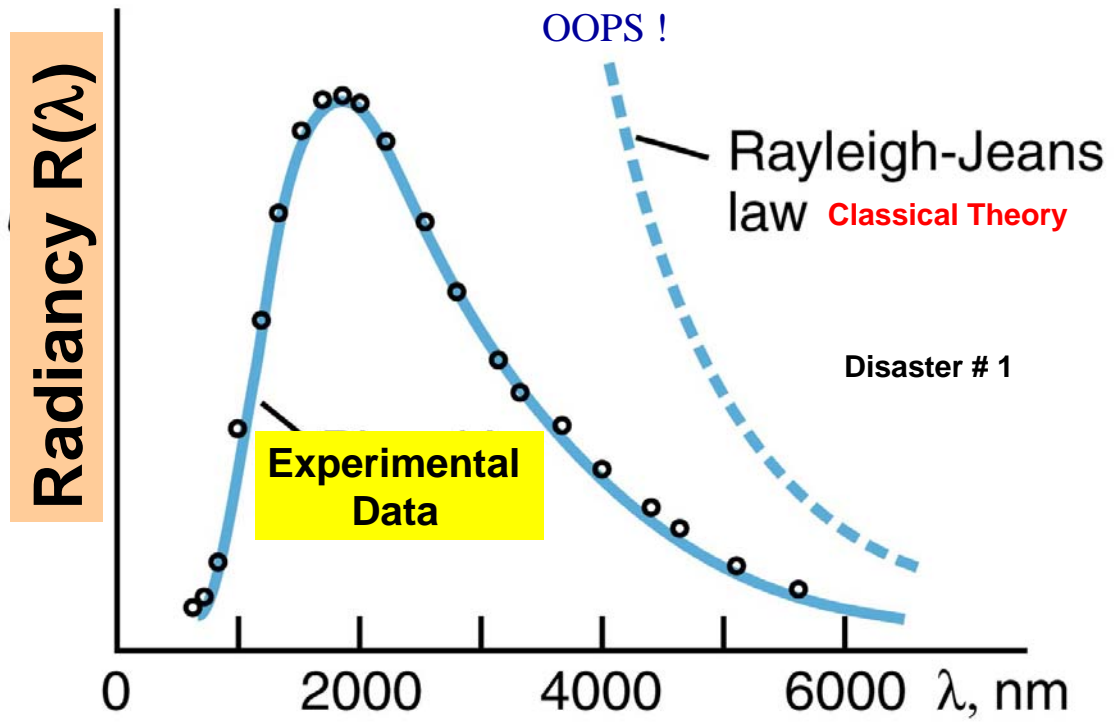
$$= \frac{8\pi V}{\lambda^4} \times \frac{1}{V} \times kT = \frac{8\pi}{\lambda^4} kT$$

$$\text{Radiancy } R(\lambda) = \frac{c}{4} u(\lambda) = \frac{c}{4} \frac{8\pi}{\lambda^4} kT = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda^4} kT$$

Radiancy is Radiation intensity per unit  $\lambda$  interval: Lets plot it

**Prediction : as  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$  (high frequency)  $\Rightarrow R(\lambda) \rightarrow \text{Infinity}!$   
Oops !**

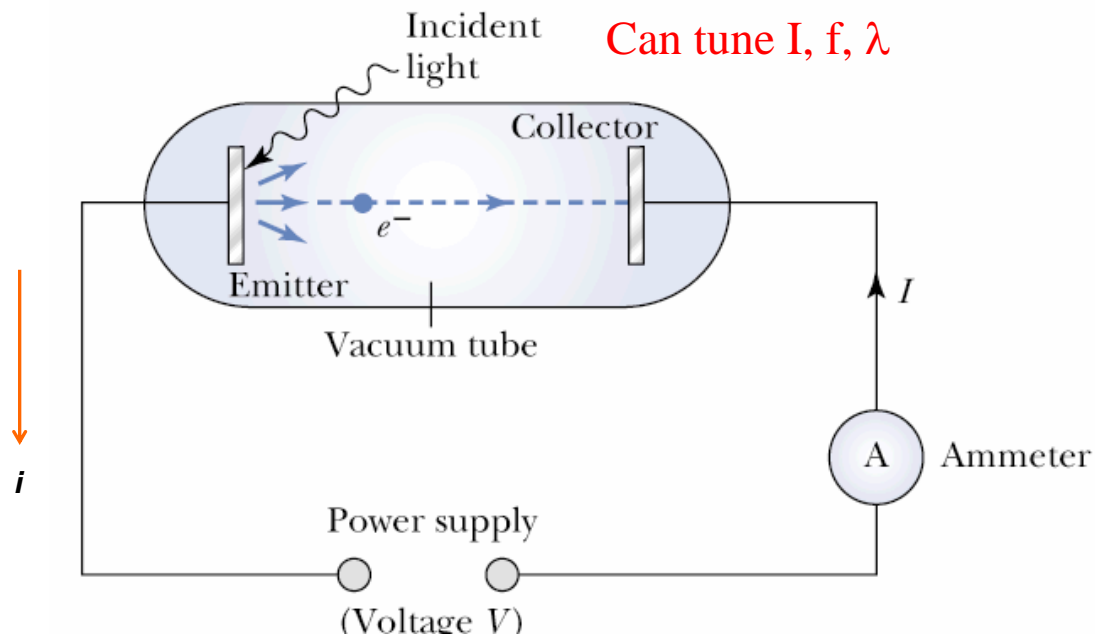
## Ultra Violet (Frequency) Catastrophe



That was a Disaster ! (#1)

## Disaster # 2 : Photo-Electric Effect

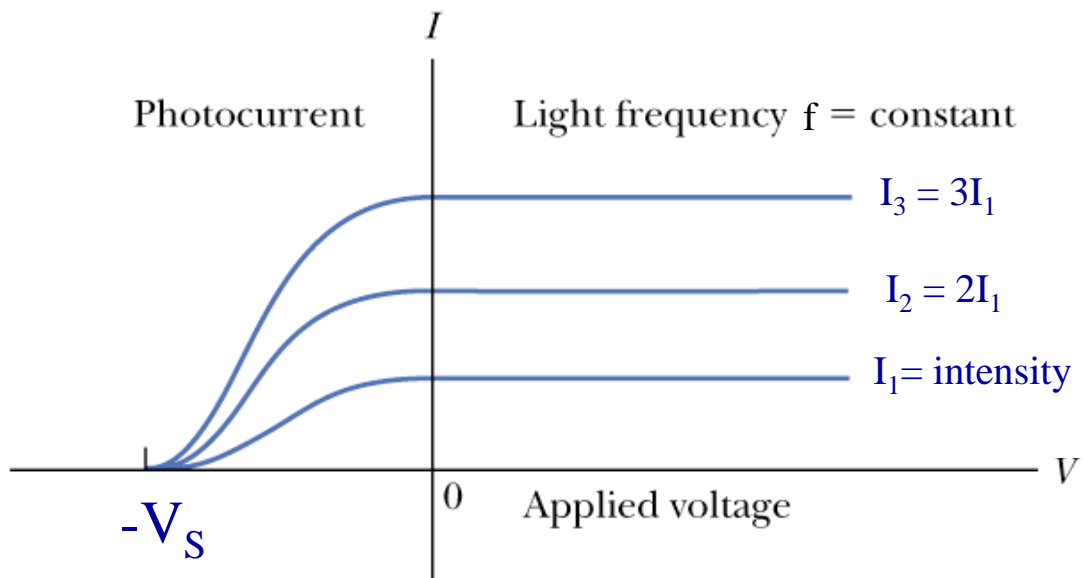
Light of intensity  $I$ , wavelength  $\lambda$  and frequency  $\nu$  incident on a photo-cathode



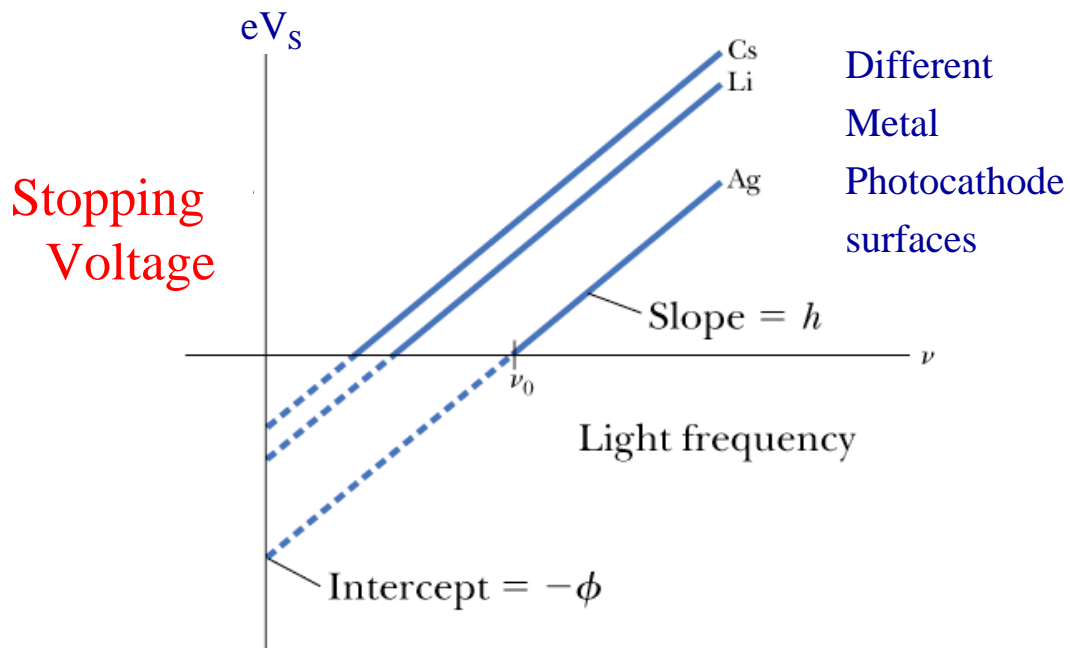
## Photo Electric Effect: Measurable Properties

- Rate of electron emission from cathode
  - From current  $i$  seen in ammeter
- Maximum kinetic energy of emitted electron
  - By applying retarding potential on electron moving towards Collector plate
    - »  $K_{MAX} = eV_S$  ( $V_S =$  Stopping voltage)
    - » Stopping voltage  $\rightarrow$  no current flows
- Effect of different types of photo-cathode metal
- Time **between** shining light and first sign of photo-current in the circuit

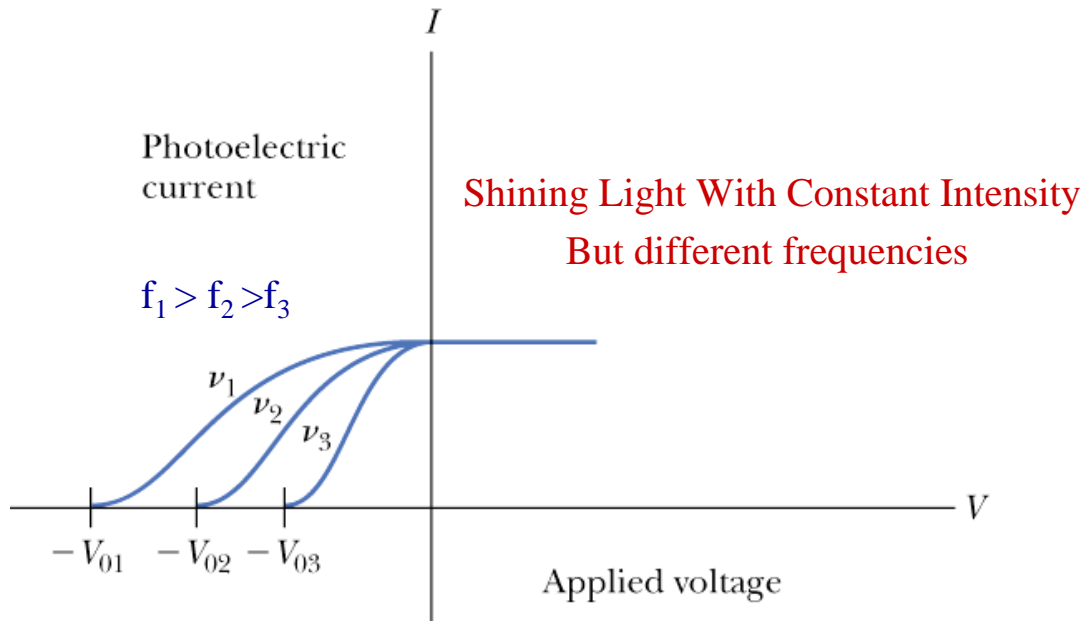
## Observations : Current Vs Frequency of Incident Light



## Stopping Voltage $V_s$ Vs Incident Light Frequency



## Retarding Potential Vs Light Frequency



### Conclusions from the Experimental Observation

- Max Kinetic energy  $K_{\text{MAX}}$  **independent** of Intensity  $I$  for light of same frequency
- **No** photoelectric effect occurs if light frequency  $f$  is below a threshold no matter how high the intensity of light
- For a particular metal, light with  $f > f_0$  causes photoelectric effect **IRRESPECTIVE** of light intensity.
  - $f_0$  is characteristic of that metal
- Photoelectric effect is instantaneous !...not time delay

**Can one Explain all this Classically !**

## Classical Explanation of Photo Electric Effect

- As light Intensity increased  $\Rightarrow \vec{E}$  field amplitude larger
  - E field and electrical force seen by the “charged subatomic oscillators” Larger
    - $\vec{F} = e\vec{E}$
    - More force acting on the subatomic charged oscillator
    - $\Rightarrow$  More energy transferred to it
    - $\Rightarrow$  Charged particle “hooked to the atom” should leave the surface with more Kinetic Energy KE !! The intensity of light shining rules !
- As long as light is intense enough , light of **ANY** frequency  $f$  should cause photoelectric effect
- Because the Energy in a Wave is uniformly distributed over the Spherical wavefront incident on cathode, should be a **noticeable time lag  $\Delta T$**  between time is incident & the time a photo-electron is ejected : Energy absorption time
  - How much time ? Lets calculate it classically.

## Classical Physics: Time Lag in Photo-Electric Effect

- Electron absorbs energy incident on a surface area where the **electron is confined  $\cong$  size of atom** in cathode metal
- Electron is “bound” by attractive **Coulomb force in the atom**, so it must absorb a minimum amount of radiation before its stripped off
- Example : Laser light Intensity  $I = 120\text{W}/\text{m}^2$  on Na metal
  - Binding energy = 2.3 eV= “Work Function”
  - Electron confined in Na atom, size  $\cong 0.1\text{nm}$  ..how long before ejection ?
  - Average Power Delivered  $P_{AV} = I \cdot A$ ,  $A = \pi r^2 \cong 3.1 \times 10^{-20} \text{m}^2$
  - If all energy absorbed then  $\Delta E = P_{AV} \cdot \Delta T \Rightarrow \Delta T = \Delta E / P_{AV}$

$$\Delta T = \frac{(2.3\text{eV})(1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J / eV})}{(120\text{W} / \text{m}^2)(3.1 \times 10^{-20} \text{ m}^2)} = 0.10 \text{ S}$$

- Classical Physics predicts Measurable delay even by the primitive clocks of 1900
- But in experiment, the effect was observed to be instantaneous !!
- **Classical Physics fails in explaining all results**

## Disaster # 2 !

Now we need a Hero with  
New Ideas → Modern Physics !

### Max Planck & Birth of Quantum Physics



Back to Blackbody Radiation Discrepancy

Planck noted the UltraViolet Catastrophe at high frequency  
“Cooked” calculation with new “ideas” so as bring:

$$R(\lambda) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \lambda \rightarrow 0$$

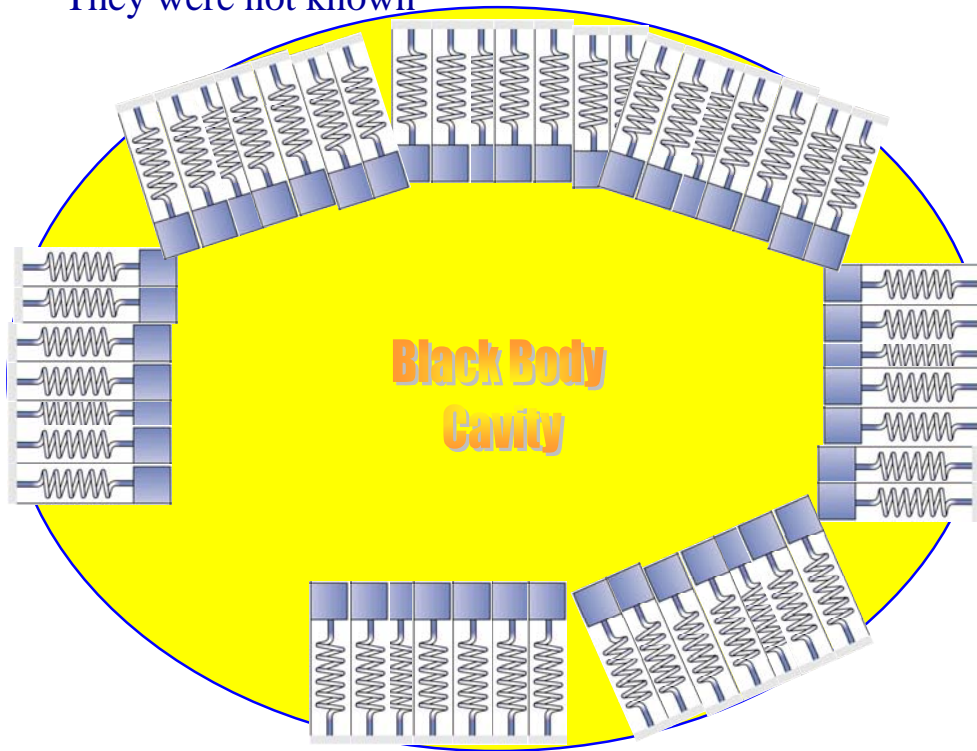
$$f \rightarrow \infty$$

- Cavity radiation as equilibrium exchange of energy between EM radiation & “atomic” oscillators present on walls of cavity
- Oscillators can have **any frequency f**
- But the Energy exchange between radiation and oscillator NOT continuous and arbitrary...it is discrete ...in **packets of same amount**
- $E = n hf$ , with  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \infty$   
 $h =$  constant he invented, a very small number he made up

## Planck's "Charged Oscillators" in a Black Body Cavity

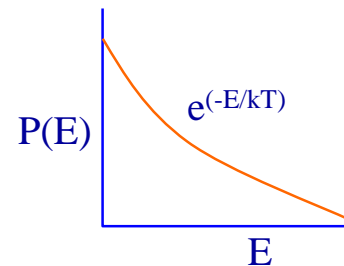
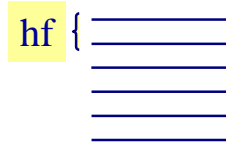
Planck did not know about electrons, Nucleus etc:

They were not known



## Planck, Quantization of Energy & BB Radiation

- Keep the rule of counting how many waves fit in a BB Volume
- Radiation Energy in cavity is quantized
- EM standing waves of frequency  $f$  have energy
  - $E = n hf$  ( $n = 1, 2, 3 \dots 10 \dots 1000 \dots$ )
- Probability Distribution: At an equilibrium temp  $T$ , possible Energy of wave is distributed over a spectrum of states:  $P(E) = e^{(-E/kT)}$
- Modes of Oscillation with :
  - Less energy  $E = hf$  = favored
  - More energy  $E = hf$  = disfavored



By this statistics, large energy, high  $f$  modes of EM disfavored

## Planck's Calculation

$$R(\lambda) = \left(\frac{c}{4}\right) \left(\frac{8\pi}{\lambda^4}\right) \left[ \frac{hc}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{e^{\frac{hc}{\lambda kT}} - 1} \right) \right]$$

Odd looking form

When  $\lambda \rightarrow \text{large} \Rightarrow \frac{hc}{\lambda kT} \rightarrow \text{small}$

Recall  $e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$

$$\Rightarrow e^{\frac{hc}{\lambda kT}} - 1 = \left(1 + \frac{hc}{\lambda kT} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{hc}{\lambda kT}\right)^2 + \dots\right) - 1$$

$$= \frac{hc}{\lambda kT} \quad \text{plugging this in } R(\lambda) \text{ eq:}$$

$$R(\lambda) = \left(\frac{c}{4}\right) \left(\frac{8\pi}{\lambda^4}\right) \frac{hc}{\lambda kT}$$

Graph & Compare  
With BBQ data

## Planck's Formula and Small $\lambda$

When  $\lambda$  is small (large  $f$ )

$$\frac{1}{e^{\frac{hc}{\lambda kT}} - 1} \cong \frac{1}{e^{\frac{hc}{\lambda kT}}} = e^{-\frac{hc}{\lambda kT}}$$

Substituting in  $R(\lambda)$  eqn:

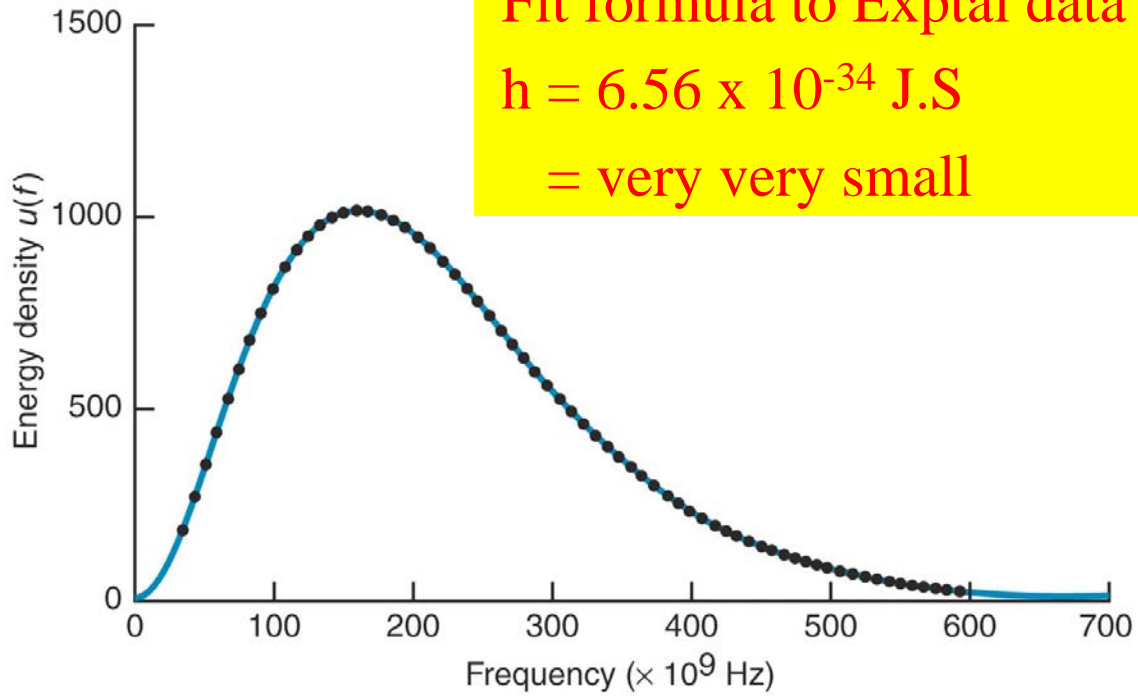
$$R(\lambda) = \left(\frac{c}{4}\right) \left(\frac{8\pi}{\lambda^4}\right) e^{-\frac{hc}{\lambda kT}}$$

$$\text{As } \lambda \rightarrow 0, e^{-\frac{hc}{\lambda kT}} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow R(\lambda) \rightarrow 0$$

Just as seen in the experimental data

# Planck's Explanation of BB Radiation



# Consequence of Planck's Formula

**Quantization of Energy!**

