

Answer on Question #65203 – Physics/Molecular physics - Thermodynamics

Question: A gamma ray with an energy of 3.40×10^{-14} joules strikes a photographic plate. We know that Planck's constant is 6.63×10^{-34} joule-seconds. What is the frequency of the photon?

Solution: The Planck's constant (h) links a photon's energy (E) and photon's frequency (f) by equation: $E = hf$, so $f = E/h = \frac{3.40 \times 10^{-14} \text{ J}}{6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}} = 0.513 \times 10^{20} \text{ Hz}$.

Answer: The frequency of the photon is 0.513×10^{20} Hz.

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