

unified atomic mass constant,	u	=	$1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
elementary charge	e	=	$1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
the Planck constant,	h	=	$6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$
rest mass of electron,	m_e	=	$9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
rest mass of proton,	m_p	=	$1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$

Qns 1(a):

A 1.0 mW laser produces red light of wavelength 663 nm. Calculate how many photons the laser produces per second.

Qns 1(b):

Visible light has wavelengths spanning from 400 nm (violet) to 700 nm (red). Find the energy, in eV, of (i) a photon of red light and (ii) a photon of violet light.

Qns 2:

Light of 543 nm is incident on a clean sodium surface. The photoelectrons released are found to have negligible amounts of kinetic energy. Determine the work function Φ for sodium metal in eV.

Qns 3:

The maximum kinetic energy of the electrons emitted from a metallic surface is 1 eV when the frequency of the incident radiation is $7.5 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$. Determine

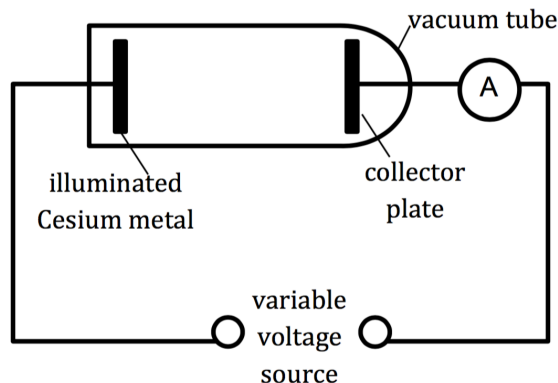
- the work function of the metal in eV.
- the threshold wavelength of this metal.

Qns 4:

Violet light of 400 nm is incident on the surface of a potassium metal, work function 2.0 eV. Determine the maximum speed of electrons emitted from the surface.

Qns 5:

UV light of wavelength 350 nm falls onto Cesium metal of work function 2.1 eV. Find the stopping potential required for the ammeter to register zero current on the ammeter.

**Qns 6:**

- (a) Explain what is meant by a photon.
- (b) The photoelectric effect was important in the development of a photon theory of electromagnetic radiation.
 - (i) State one observation of the photoelectric effect that cannot be explained using the wave model.
 - (ii) Explain how the wave theory fails to account for this observation.
 - (iii) Explain how the photon model can account for this observation.

Qns 7:

When ultraviolet radiation of wavelength 319 nm falls on a metal surface, photoelectrons are emitted. The stopping potential was found to be 0.22 V. The same surface is then illuminated with electromagnetic radiation of wavelength 238 nm. Calculate

- (a) the work function of the metal,
- (b) the threshold frequency for the metal,
- (c) the stopping potential when wavelength is 238 nm,
- (d) the maximum speed of the photoelectrons for each wavelength.

($c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$, $e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$, $m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$,
 $h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$)

Qns 8:

Electromagnetic radiation is incident normally on the surface of a metal. Electrons are emitted from the surface and these are attracted to a positively charged electrode, as shown in Fig. 2.1.

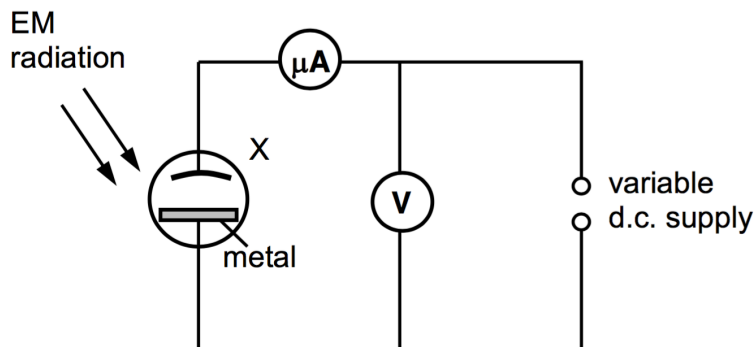


Fig 2.1

- (a) Name the effect which gives rise to the emission of the electrons.
- (b) State a word equation, based on the principle of conservation of energy, which describes this effect.
- (c)
 - (i) The current recorded on the microammeter is $2.1 \mu\text{A}$. Calculate the number of electrons emitted per second from the surface.
 - (ii) The incident radiation has wavelength 240 nm . Calculate the energy of a photon incident on the surface.
- (d) The intensity of the incident radiation is $8.2 \times 10^3 \text{ W m}^{-2}$ and the area of the surface is 2.0 cm^2 . Calculate
 - (i) the power of the radiation incident on the surface.
 - (ii) the number of photons incident per second on the surface.
- (iii) Hence determine the ratio

$$\frac{\text{number of electrons emitted per second}}{\text{number of photons incident per second}}$$
- (e) If the intensity of the radiation is doubled what will be the effect on
 - (i) the saturated current
 - (ii) the maximum kinetic energy of the photoelectrons?

Qns 9:

An excited electron is at the E_2 energy state of a hydrogen atom.

- (i) State the number of different possible de-excitation transitions possible.
- (ii) Determine the wavelengths of the emitted photons with each possible transition, and identify which part of the EM spectrum these photons lie in.

Qns 10:

- (a) Explain how the line spectrum of hydrogen provides evidence for the existence of discrete electron energy levels in atoms.
- (b) Some of the electron energy levels in atomic hydrogen are illustrated in Fig. 3.1.

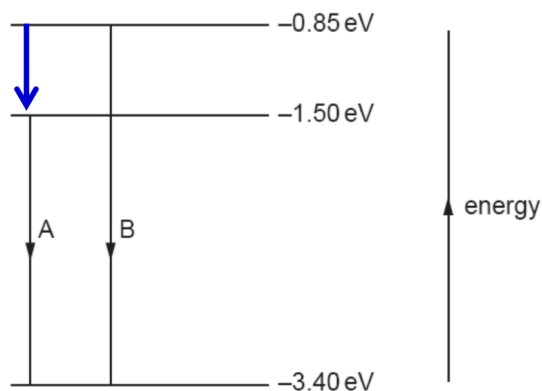


Fig. 3.1

Two possible electron transitions A and B giving rise to an emission spectrum are shown.

These electron transitions cause light of wavelengths 654 nm and 488 nm to be emitted.

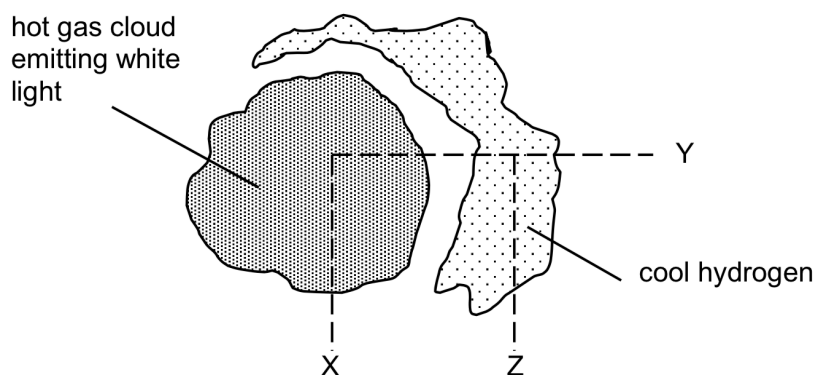
- (i) On the diagram above draw an arrow to show a third possible transition.
- (ii) Calculate the wavelength of the emitted light for the transition in (i)

Qns 11:

(a) Explain what is meant by an *energy level* of an electron in an atom.

(b)(i)

A cool region of hydrogen gas surrounds a hot gas cloud emitting white light in outer space. Describe and explain the type of spectrum observed from point X, Y and Z.



(ii) Fig. 4.2 shows some of the energy levels of a hydrogen atom

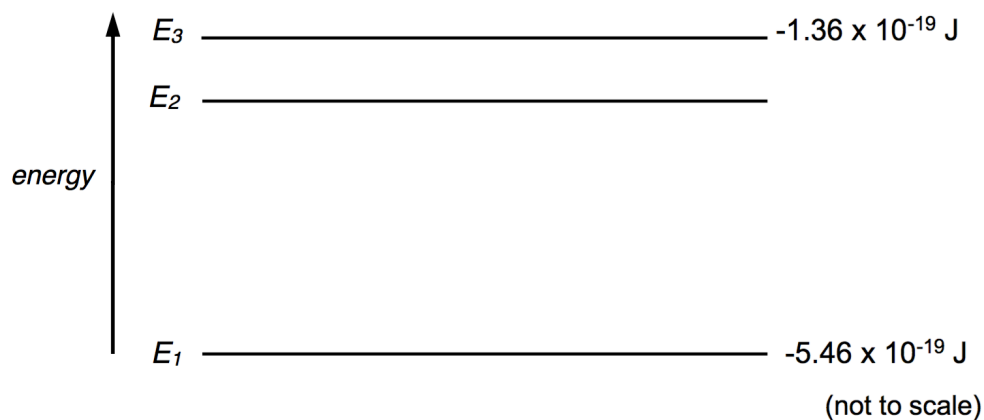


Fig. 4.2

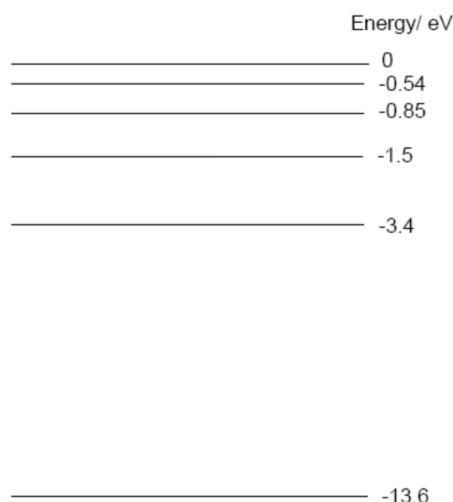
1. Use the values of the energy levels E_3 and E_1 shown in Fig. 4.2 to calculate the frequency of the electromagnetic radiation emitted when an electron makes a transition between energy levels E_3 and E_1 .
2. The frequency of radiation emitted when an electron makes a transition between energy levels E_3 to E_2 is $1.60 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$. Determine the wavelength of the electromagnetic radiation when an electron makes a transition between energy levels E_2 and E_1 .

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- (a) In a photoelectric emission experiment, ultraviolet radiation of wavelength 265 nm and intensity 150 W m^{-2} was incident on a rhodium surface in an evacuated tube, so that an area of 14 mm^2 was illuminated.

- (i) Calculate the energy of the incident photon. [1]
[$7.51 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$]
- (ii) Determine the rate of photons incident on the rhodium surface. [3]
[$2.80 \times 10^{15} \text{ s}^{-1}$]
- (iii) Explain what is meant by the 'stopping potential'. [1]
- (iv) If light of higher wavelength was used to illuminate the rhodium surface, state and explain how the stopping potential will change. [3]

- (b) Fig 1.1 below shows some of the energy levels (measured in electron-volts) of the hydrogen atom.

**Fig. 1.1**

- (i) State the value of the ionization energy of hydrogen in joules. [1]
[$2.18 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$]
- (ii) In the emission spectra for atomic hydrogen, the visible red line has a corresponding energy of 1.9 eV. Draw an arrow to show the electron transition that gives rise to this emission line on Fig. 1.1. Label it as **R**. [1]
- (iii) On Fig. 1.1, draw arrows to show the electron transitions that will give rise to 2 spectral lines in the ultraviolet region. Label them as **S** and **T**. [1]

Qns 13

In a particular photoelectric emission experiment, the emitter of area 0.45 cm^2 is illuminated with monochromatic radiation of wavelength 300 nm and intensity 180 W m^{-2} . The current I in the circuit is measured for various values of the applied potential difference V between the collector and emitter. The variation of I with V is shown in **Fig. 2.1**.

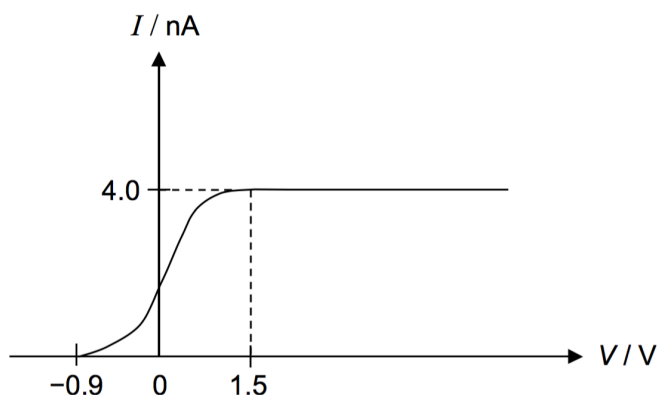


Fig. 2.1

- (a) If the intensity of light is now doubled, explain how the current and the maximum velocity of the electrons will be affected by the intensity of light. [2]
- (b) From the graph in **Fig. 2.1**, explain why
- the current remains at a constant value of 4.0 nA when V is equal or greater 1.5 V . [2]
 - I is not zero even when V is zero. [2]
- (c) (i) Calculate the rate of incidence of photons on the emitter. [2]
[$1.22 \times 10^{16} \text{ s}^{-1}$]
- (ii) Calculate the rate of emission of electrons when $V = 1.5 \text{ V}$. [2]
[$2.5 \times 10^{10} \text{ s}^{-1}$]
- (d) By comparing the values from (c), suggest a reason why the rate of emission of electrons is different from the rate of incidence of photons on the emitter.