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PHOTOELECTRIC EFFECT

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer ALL questions in this paper in the spaces provided.

1. (a) The following equation describes the release of electrons from a metal surface illuminated by electromagnetic radiation.

$$hf = k.e_{\text{max}} + \phi$$

Explain briefly what you understand by each of the terms in the equation.

hf

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$k.e_{\text{max}}$

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ϕ

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(3)

(Total 3 marks)

2. A 60 W light bulb converts electrical energy to visible light with an efficiency of 8%. Calculate the visible light intensity 2 m away from the light bulb.

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Intensity =

(3)

The average energy of the photons emitted by the light bulb in the visible region is 2 eV. Calculate the number of these photons received per square metre per second at this distance from the light bulb.

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Number of photons =m⁻² s⁻¹

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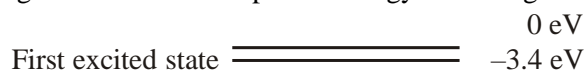
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3. (a) Describe briefly how you would demonstrate in a school laboratory that different elements can be identified by means of their optical spectra

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- (b) The diagram below is a simplified energy level diagram for atomic hydrogen.



A free electron with kinetic energy 12 eV collides with an atom of hydrogen and causes it to be raised to its first excited state.

Calculate the kinetic energy of the free electron (in eV) after the collision.

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Kinetic energy =

Calculate the wavelength of the photon emitted when the atom returns to its ground state.

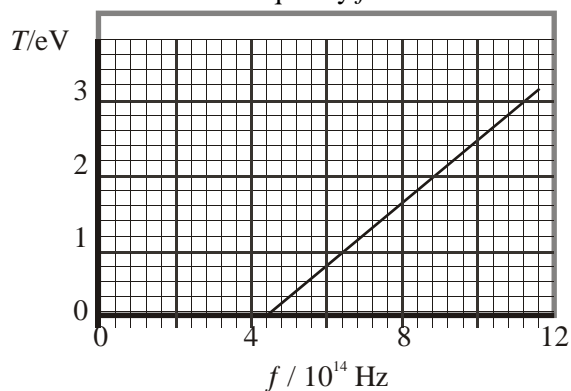
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Wavelength =

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(Total 7 marks)

4. The graph shows how the maximum kinetic energy T of photoelectrons emitted from the surface of sodium metal varies with the frequency f of the incident radiation.



Why are no photoelectrons emitted at frequencies below $4.4 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$?

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Calculate the work function ϕ of sodium in eV.

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Work function =

Which change in energy levels will give rise to a yellowish line ($\lambda = 600 \text{ nm}$) in the mercury spectrum?

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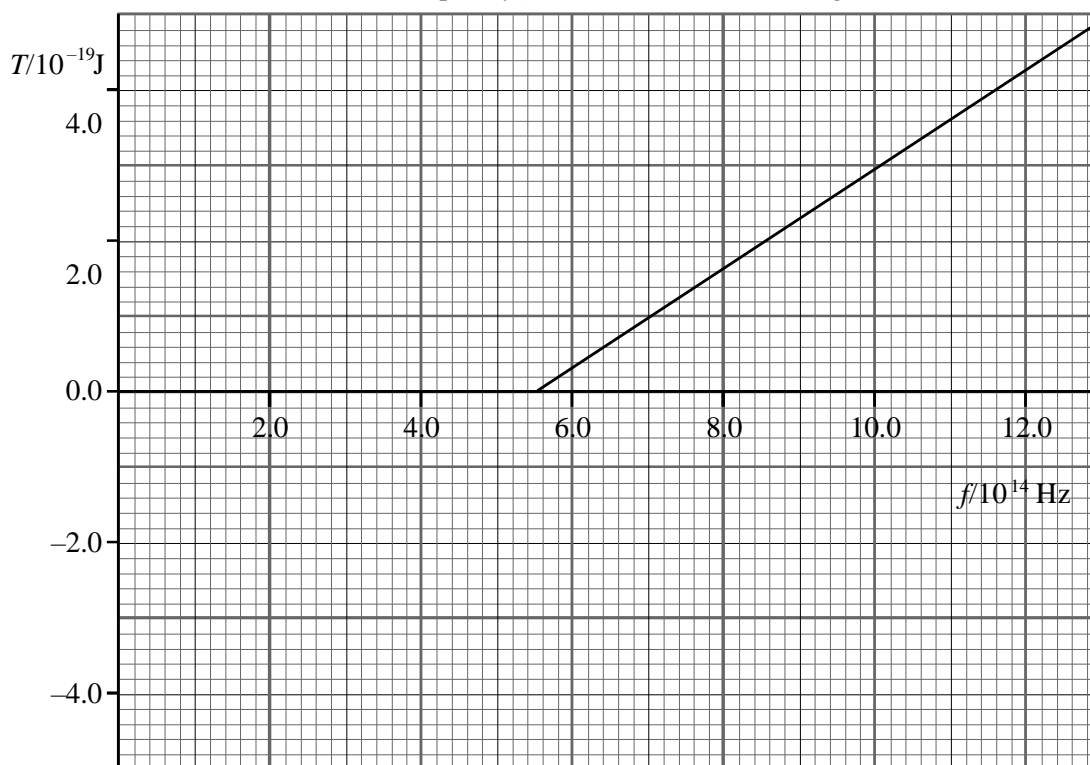
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(Total 9 marks)

6. The graph shows how the maximum kinetic energy T of photoelectrons emitted from the surface of sodium metal varies with the frequency f of the incident electromagnetic radiation.



Use the graph to find a value for the Planck constant.

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Planck constant =

(3)

Use the graph to find the work function ϕ of sodium metal.

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Work function =

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Calculate the stopping potential when the frequency of the incident radiation is 9.0×10^{14} Hz.

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Stopping potential =

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(Total 8 marks)