

2. A particle accelerator generates neutrons at 2500K and whose speed is given by  $\sqrt{(3k_B T / m)}$ . Determine the de Broglie wavelength of the neutron.
3. The threshold wavelength of light required to eject electrons from the surface of the metal Lanthanum ( $Z = 57$ ) is 3760 Å.
- (a) What is the work function of the metal in electron-volts and wavenumbers?
- (b) What is the maximum kinetic energy of photoelectrons emitted by this metal when it is illuminated with ultraviolet light of wavelength 2000 Å?
- (c) The work function for barium is 2.48 eV. If light of 400 nm is shined on a barium cathode, what is the maximum velocity of the ejected electrons?
4. The clean surface of Na is illuminated with monochromatic radiation of various wavelengths ( $\lambda$ ) and the retarding (or stopping) potentials ( $V_s$ ) required to stop the most energetic photoelectrons are observed as follows.

$\lambda / \text{Å}$	2536	2830	3039	3302	3663	4358
$V_s / \text{V}$	2.60	2.11	1.81	1.47	1.10	0.57

Plot these data in such a way as to show that they lie along a straight line as predicted by the photoelectric equation, and obtain a numerical value for Planck's constant  $h$ . Note: at the stopping potential the kinetic energy of the electrons is balanced exactly by the potential energy due to the stopping potential, i.e.  $\text{KE} = eV_s$ , where  $e$  is the charge on an electron.