

## Data Analysis / Conclusion

At a point indexed  $i$  we have  $\Delta V = -V$

At  $i=400$  we have  $\Delta V = 0$

At  $+V$  we will have  $i = 400 + (400 - i)$  so  $i = 800 - i$ .

Now we have the adjusted data. It is worth noting that because of the region over which we took our data, there is no adjustment for  $|V| > 1$ .

$$V_c = h \frac{\nu}{e} - \Phi \quad \text{for a frequency } \nu, \text{ work function } \Phi$$

$\Phi$  will be constant across all of the data since we are using the same material throughout the experiment.

$$V_{c[i]} = h \frac{\nu[i]}{e} - \Phi \frac{1}{e} = \frac{1}{e} (h \nu[i] - \Phi)$$

So if we plot the cutoff potentials vs. wavelength we should be able to curve fit for  $h$  and  $\Phi$ , getting the expected value for  $h$ .

$\lambda$ [nm]	365	405	436	486	546	577	589
$V_c$	-1.605	-1.25	-1.045	<del>-1.045</del> -0.79	-0.53	-0.42	-0.38

$$\lambda \nu = c \quad \nu = \frac{c}{\lambda}$$

So we find  $h$  to be  $\boxed{+3.8673 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ [eV s]}}$ , which is  $\approx 0.94$  times the accepted value of  $4.1357 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ [eV s]}$

The work function was  $\boxed{1.595 \text{ [eV]}}$  which is  $\approx 0.70$  times that of potassium, ~~however, the~~ which is generally measured to be  $2.29 \text{ [eV]}$ . However, the photocathode is not pure potassium, ~~hence~~ this makes sense.



2x2x2

Equipment: Vtting - Lamp  
 Ideas: 1 or 4  
 Ideas: Vtting - Light / Matter  
 Ideas: Work Function  
 Data Analysis: Vtting - Curve Fitting  
 Ideas:

$$0 < f < 1$$

$$I(v) = I(v) + f I(-v)$$

$$I(-v) = I(v) + f I(-v)$$

$$I(v) = \frac{I(v) - f I(-v)}{1 - f}$$

so now we need  $f$ .

$$f = \frac{I(v)}{I(-v)} \text{ for } V > V_c$$

SO, we'll do this for all  $V$  and take the average

Now that I have them offset so I can see distances from  $V_c$ , I need to make a set new array of  $f$  to average.  
 The array will be  $f_j = \frac{I(v_j) - I(-v_j)}{I(v_j) + I(-v_j)}$

- ✓ So first I need to select  $V$  and  $-V$ .
  - ✓ Now I need to read  $I$  at these points.
  - ✓ Now I need to create an array for  $f$ .
- ~~It may be easier to create  $f$ .~~

I initially tried to find an offset of  $V_c$ . Without doing that, this is ok

For  $a+b$  we wish to find  $a-b$ .

If  $a+b=c$ , then  $b=c-a$ . So we wish to find

$$d = a - b = a - (c - a) = 2a - c$$

365	241	→ 242
405	277	= 0
436	297	= 0
486	323	→ 324
546	349	→ 350
577	360	→ 361
589	364	→ 365

In Excel or python, subtract 2 due to positioning (starting round number)

So if  $f \neq 0$ ,  
 if  $f = 0$ ,  
 still works  
 and  $-V$  is in channel: adjust  
 else:  $In [ ] = 1$

To match

$$240 = 239 = 2(239.5) - 1$$

$$V_0 \quad f = \frac{I(V_0 + v)}{I(V_0 - v)}$$

A lot of this is incorrect bc of misinterpretation

Data Analysis  
 At a point

$A \pm V$  w

Now we have the region for  $V > V_c$

$$V_c = h \phi -$$

$\phi$  will be same m

$$V_{c0} = h \phi -$$

So if we be at value

$$\frac{h \phi}{V_c} = 36$$

So

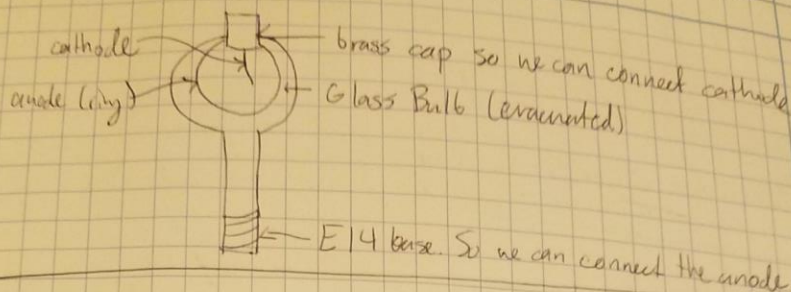
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Data will be saved to Excel, but run analysis in something else, such as python.

Run V from -4 to 1, not -4 to -4.

Keithley is Comm 1, not Comm 2

Click out of a box to confirm input.

We will need to make our own voltage column & current label.

Now that we've obtained our data, we need to correct it for the anode's current contribution. To do so:

> We need to find the cutoff potential ( $I_{cp} = 0$ )

→ To do so, we should do a curve fit.

I plotted their data in excel, to find  $V_c$ .

~~Wavelength~~  $\Delta V \pm 0.1 [V]$

Wavelength	365 [nm]	405 [nm]	436 [nm]	486 [nm]	546 [nm]	577 [nm]	589 [nm]
$V_c$	<del>-1.605</del>	-1.25 [V]	-1.05 [V]	-0.985 [V]	-0.525 [V]	-0.415 [V]	-0.555 [V]
	-1.605 [V] $\pm 0.1$						

656 [nm]: This data is very noisy and relatively flat, but there is a clear increase if we zoom in on this data alone. So we will do a linear fit for the linear portion?

• We are near the limit of the picoammeter

- • Intensity of the lamp is ~~near~~ too low to get a good reading at this  $\lambda$ .
- Near cutoff frequency? (Unlikely; too ~~near~~ close to a normal curve toward the right).

Chart for intensity shows next to nothing past 600 [nm]