

## SET 2

### EXERCISE 1

Any metallic surface struck by radiation of sufficiently high frequency  $\nu$  emits electrons: this is the **photoelectric effect**.

- 1/ Write the principle of conservation of energy.
- 2/ In an experiment, a sodium plate is illuminated by radiation with a wavelength of  $\lambda = 3000 \text{ \AA}$ . What stopping potential would be needed to stop the electrons?
- 3/ Calculate the speed of the emitted electrons when the sodium plate is exposed to a light beam with a wavelength of  $\lambda = 5000 \text{ \AA}$ .

The threshold frequency of sodium is given as  $v_0 = 5.569 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$ .

### EXERCISE 2

- 1/ Among the following metals, which ones can be used as a photocathode sensitive to radiation with a wavelength of  $\lambda = 4000 \text{ \AA}$ ?

Pt ( $\lambda_0 = 2200 \text{ \AA}$ ) ; Au ( $\lambda_0 = 2500 \text{ \AA}$ ) ; Cs ( $\lambda_0 = 4963 \text{ \AA}$ ) and Na ( $\lambda_0 = 5200 \text{ \AA}$ ).

- 1/ Which metal is used if the speed of the electron is  $4.6 \times 10^5 \text{ m} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ ?

### EXERCISE 3

In an experiment, an aluminum plate is successively illuminated by radiation with wavelengths  $\lambda_1 = 2534.8 \text{ \AA}$  and  $\lambda_2 = 2967.3 \text{ \AA}$ .

If, in the first case, the electric current is stopped by a stopping potential  $U_1 = 1.885 \text{ V}$ , and in the second case by a stopping potential  $U_2 = 1.172 \text{ V}$ , determine the value of Planck's constant.

**Given data:**  $h = 6.625 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J.s}$  ;  $C = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  ;  $e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ Coulomb}$  ;

$m_e = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$  ;  $1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ .