

**Q6: The work function of a substance is 4.0 eV. The longest wavelength of light that can cause photoelectron emission from this substance is approximately**

- (a) 540 nm
- (b) 400 nm
- (c) 310 nm
- (d) 220 nm

**Solution**

Let  $\lambda_m$  = Longest wavelength of light

$$(hc/\lambda_m) = \Phi \text{ (work function)}$$

$$\lambda_m = hc/\Phi = (6.63 \times 10^{-34}) \times (3 \times 10^8) / (4.0 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}) = 310 \text{ nm}$$

**Answer: (c) 310 nm**