

#### 10.3.4.4 Atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS)

The technique of analysis by *atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS)* falls into two main categories, according to the method of atomization, viz. *flame atomic absorption spectrometry (FAAS)* and *electrothermal atomic absorption (ETAAS)*.

The terminology for flame atomic absorption spectrometry follows that adopted for flame emission spectrometry (section 10.3.4.3 and Table 10.8).