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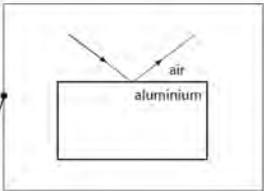
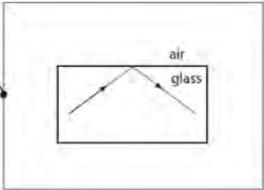
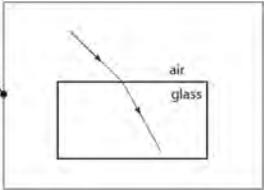
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## General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
1 (a)	<p>one mark for each correct line drawn;;;</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Wave behaviour</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 100px; margin: 10px auto;">total internal reflection</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 100px; margin: 10px auto;">refraction</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 100px; margin: 10px auto;">reflection</div> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Example</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 100px; margin: 10px auto;">  </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 100px; margin: 10px auto;">  </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 100px; margin: 10px auto;">  </div> </div> </div>	<p>allow line for reflection drawn to first or second example diagram</p> <p>allow two lines drawn from reflection to first and second diagrams only</p> <p>reject mark if two lines drawn from either TIR or refraction</p>	3
(b)	<p>any two from:</p> <p>(all waves) reflect;</p> <p>(all waves) refract;</p> <p>idea that (all waves) transfer energy (without transferring matter);</p> <p>(all waves) have amplitude/wavelength/frequency;</p>	<p>allow higher level common properties e.g. diffraction, interference etc.</p> <p>allow 'information' for energy</p>	2

Total for Question 1 = 5 marks

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
2 (a)	<p>any attempt at gradient/reference to correct formula; substitution of values from graph; evaluation;</p> <p>e.g. acceleration = change in velocity/time taken acceleration = (-)45 / 39 acceleration = (-)1.2 (m/s<sup>2</sup>)</p>	<p>check graph for evidence of working</p> <p>ignore minus sign</p> <p>allow 1.1-1.2 (m/s<sup>2</sup>)</p>	3
(b)	<p>any attempt at or reference to an area;</p> <p>correct attempt = <math>\frac{1}{2} \times 45 \times 39</math>;</p> <p>correct evaluation;</p> <p>e.g. distance travelled = area under graph distance = <math>\frac{1}{2} \times 45 \times 39</math> distance = 880 (m)</p>	<p>allow alternative method using <math>v^2 = u^2 + 2as</math> with answer from (a)</p> <p>allow ECF of incorrect velocity or time reading if also used in (a)</p> <p>allow 878, 877.5 (m)</p>	3
(c)	<p>line showing decreasing velocity from same initial velocity as existing line; line drawn is less steep than existing line throughout;</p>		2

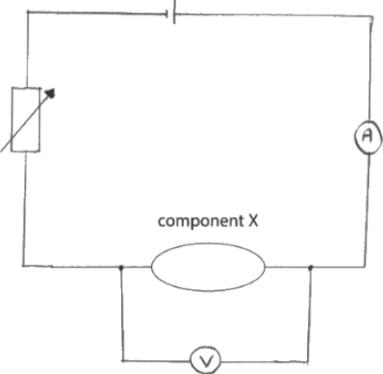
Total for Question 2 = 8 marks

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
3 (a)	any four correctly linked stages in star's evolution:  MP1. nebula to protostar; MP2. protostar to main sequence; MP3. main sequence to red giant; MP4. red giant to white dwarf; MP5. white dwarf to black dwarf;	limit to 2 marks max. if incorrect stages given e.g. red supergiant, supernova, neutron star, black hole allow cloud of dust/gas for nebula allow main stage for main sequence  allow 1 marking point if stage missing e.g. nebula to main sequence gets either MP1 or MP2 since protostar is missing	4
(b)	stars use <u>fusion</u> , reactor uses <u>fission</u> ;  fusion detail e.g.; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (fusion is the) joining of nuclei</li> <li>• involves light nuclei e.g. hydrogen</li> </ul> fission detail e.g.; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (fission is the) splitting of nuclei</li> <li>• involves heavy nuclei e.g. uranium/plutonium</li> </ul>	both needed  condone atoms for nuclei  condone atoms for nuclei	3

Total for Question 3 = 7 marks

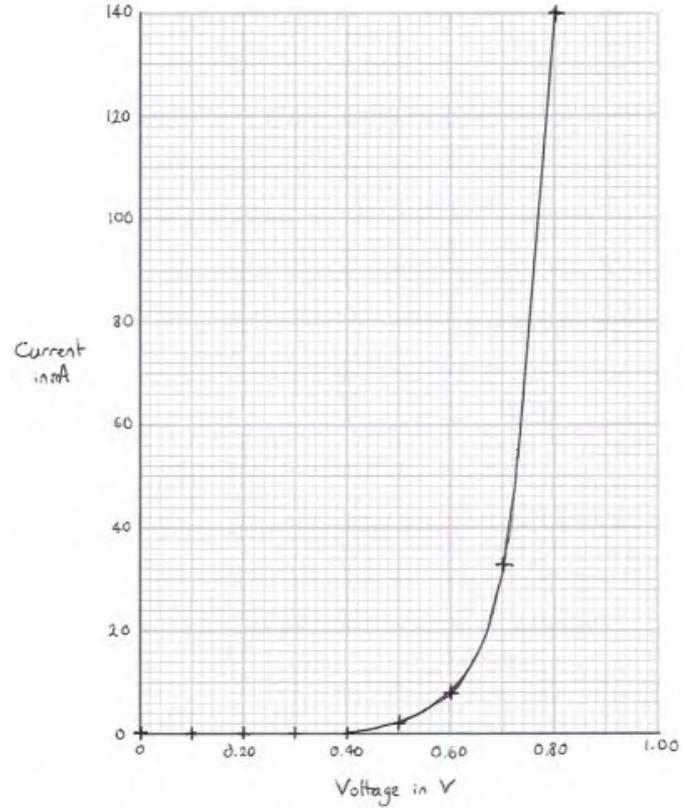
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4 (a) (i)	idea that extension is (directly) proportional to force or load; up to limit of proportionality;	condone 'mass' for force allow up to elastic limit	2
(ii)	line is not straight / eq; so, force and extension cannot be (directly) proportional;	allow line is curved	2
(b)	mechanical; elastic; kinetic / gravitational;	allow elastic potential allow gravitational potential	3
(c)	drag force drawn horizontally left;  drag force = thrust force;  weight force drawn vertically downwards;  weight force = lift force;	judge by eye allow air resistance, friction judge by eye ignore force labels judge by eye allow gravitational force ignore gravity judge by eye ignore force labels	4

Total for Question 4 = 11 marks

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
5 (a)	<p>symbols for cell, variable resistor, ammeter and voltmeter all correct;  cell and variable resistor in series with component X;  ammeter in series with component X;  voltmeter in parallel with component X only;</p> <p>e.g.</p> 	<p>allow higher level potential divider type circuits  condone symbols for more than one cell or battery</p> <p>allow voltmeter in parallel with component X and ammeter</p>	4
(b) (i)	<p>sensible linear scales;</p> <p>axes labelled with units;</p>	<p>must have voltage on x-axis  e.g. occupy &gt;50% of the grid and not multiples of 3 etc.</p>	3

all points plotted correctly within  $\frac{1}{2}$  a small square;

e.g.



Voltage in V	Current in mA
0.00	0
0.10	0
0.20	0
0.30	0
0.40	0
0.50	2
0.60	8
0.70	33
0.80	140

(ii) smooth curve with increasing gradient that passes through all data points;

allow if within  $\frac{1}{2}$  a small square of each data point

1

(iii) diode / light emitting diode;

allow LED

1

Total for Question 5 = 9 marks

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
6 (a)	<p>use of voltage = current <math>\times</math> resistance;  substitution and rearrangement of formula;  evaluation of total circuit resistance;  subtraction of thermistor resistance;  correct evaluation of fixed resistor resistance;</p> <p>e.g.</p> <p>voltage = current <math>\times</math> resistance  <math>R_{\text{total}} = 6.0 / 6.8 \text{ (mA)}</math></p> <p><math>R_{\text{total}} = 882 \text{ } (\Omega)</math>  <math>R_{\text{fixed}} = 882 - 490</math>  <math>R_{\text{fixed}} = 392(.35...) \text{ } (\Omega)</math></p>	<p>seen or implied  allow current in mA or A</p> <p>allow ECF from POT error</p> <p>accept, for full marks, answers that calculate voltage of thermistor to find voltage of resistor  voltage = current <math>\times</math> resistance  <math>V_{\text{thermistor}} = 6.8 \text{ (mA)} \times 490 \text{ (= } 3.332 \text{ V)}</math>  <math>V_{\text{fixed}} = (6.0 - 3.332 \text{ =}) 2.668 \text{ V}</math>  <math>R_{\text{fixed}} = 2.668 / 6.8 \times 10^{-3}</math>  <math>R_{\text{fixed}} = 392(.35...) \text{ } (\Omega)</math></p>	5
(b)	<p>resistance of <b>thermistor</b> increases;  current through circuit decreases;  (so) voltage (across fixed resistor) decreases;</p>	<p>dependent on scoring one of previous two marking points  allow 2 max. as ECF for correct description with incorrect <math>R_{\text{therm}}</math> change</p> <p>allow correct potential divider argument for full marks</p>	3

Total for Question 6 = 8 marks

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
7 (a)	substitution into $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ ;  rearrangement; evaluation;  e.g. $0^2 = u^2 + (2 \times -1.8 \times 92000)$  $u = \sqrt{3.6 \times 92000}$ (initial speed =) 580 (m/s)	allow answers in terms of conservation of energy for full marks   ignore units condone poor handling of minus signs  allow 575.(499...) (m/s) answer of 331 200 gains 2 marks POT error on distance will give 18.2 (m/s) for 2 marks	3
(b) (i)	particles collide with walls; (collisions result in) force on walls; force over area gives pressure;	ignore collisions between particles allow momentum arguments allow $p = F / A$	3
(ii)	substitution into $p_1/T_1 = p_2/T_2$ ; rearrangement; evaluation;  e.g. $8.2/1200 = p_2/1600$ $p_2 = (1600 \times 8.2/1200)$ ( $p_2 =$ ) 11 (kPa)	allow pressure in kPa or Pa   allow 10.9... (kPa)	3
(iii)	any three from: particles have more kinetic energy; particles collide with walls more <b>frequently</b> ; idea that particles collide with walls with more force / 'harder'; (average) force increases;	allow particles move faster/eq.	3
(iv)	any three from: MP1. idea that higher pressure means higher speed; MP2. Tvashtar particles have more (initial) KE; MP3. particles from both chambers experience the same deceleration; MP4. (higher speed with same deceleration) takes longer to reach 0 m/s; MP5. relevant quantitative argument based on motion formulae; MP6. Tvashtar particles have more GPE (at max. height);	allow Tvashtar particles have higher speed / RA   allow Tvashtar particles take longer to reach max. height / RA	3

Total for Question 7 = 15 marks

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
8 (a) (i)	$\sin(c) = 1/n$ ;	allow rearrangements and/or words for symbols	1
(ii)	substitution; rearrangement; correct evaluation to 5 s.f.;		3
	e.g. $\sin(88.500) = 1/n$ $n = 1/\sin(88.500)$ $n = 1.0003$	answer of 1.00034... scores 2 marks	
(b) (i)	straight line drawn passing into atmosphere above normal line; line bends towards normal;	DOP accept any bend towards normal however small	2
(ii)	angle of incidence is zero;  angle of refraction must be zero also;	allow idea that ray 'hits' atmosphere at $90^\circ$ , ray is travelling along the normal allow angle of refraction is equal to angle of incidence	2
(iii)	any two from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>reference to speed = frequency <math>\times</math> wavelength;</li> <li>frequency is constant;</li> <li>speed decreases (so wavelength must decrease);</li> </ul>		2
(iv)	any one from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>idea that rays of light from different parts of the Sun refract by different amounts;</li> <li>amount of refraction very large (when Sun is close to the horizon);</li> </ul>		1

Total for Question 8 = 11 marks

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
9 (a)	(turning handle makes) coil turn / rotate;  coil cuts through; magnetic field (of the permanent magnets);	reject if suggested that coil rotation is due to motor effect ignore 'interacts with'	3
(b) (i)	speed = frequency $\times$ wavelength;	allow standard symbols and rearrangements allow v, c, s for speed allow $\lambda$ for wavelength	1
(b) (ii)	substitution; rearrangement; evaluation;  e.g. $3.0 \times 10^8 = 93 (\times 10^6) \times \text{wavelength}$ $\text{wavelength} = 3.0 \times 10^8 / 93 (\times 10^6)$ (wavelength =) 3.2 (m)	ignore units until evaluation  1 mark may be awarded in the absence of any others for correctly converting MHz to Hz POT error scores 2 marks max.  allow 3.2258...(m)	3
(c) (i)	any four from: MP1. loudspeaker (coil) has a current / magnetic field; MP2. interaction between magnetic fields; MP3. causes a force to be exerted on speaker (cone); MP4. a.c. changes direction; MP5. force on speaker (cone) changes direction; MP6. causes speaker (cone) to vibrate;	allow 'interferes' for interacts	4
(c) (ii)	any one from:  increase strength of magnet;  use a larger current;  use more turns of wire on loudspeaker coil;	ignore references to adding iron core ignore 'increase size of magnet' allow larger voltage (across coil) allow 'more coils of wire'	1

Total for Question 9 = 12 marks

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
10 (a) (i)	different number of neutrons;  technetium-99 has 1 more neutron;	reject if number of protons is given as different DOP condone technetium-99 has 99 neutrons and technetium-98 has 98 neutrons	2
(ii)	43; -1;		2
(b)	any four max. from: MP1. use of GM tube + counter/GM tube/photographic film; MP2. measure count (rate) without source / find background count; MP3. measure count (rate) with source; MP4. (subtraction to) find corrected count (rate); MP5. repeat readings to obtain mean; MP6. idea that paper / aluminium does not affect count / reading; MP7. idea that lead reduces count rate significantly;  PLUS  any safety precaution from: MP8. idea of keeping distance from source; MP9. minimise exposure time; MP10. use of shielding;	allow 'reading' for count rate allow Geiger counter;  allow lead blocks (all) radiation  e.g. tongs/moving away from source  e.g. keeping source in lead-lined box, use of lead apron / gloves, working in a different room from source	5
(c)	use of one data point; evaluation of $\text{distance}^2 \times \text{count rate}$ ; second data point and second evaluation of $\text{distance}^2 \times \text{count rate}$ ; conclusion reached consistent with the two evaluations;  e.g. (1,100) gives $1^2 \times 100 = 100$ (4,6) gives $16 \times 6 = 96$ 96 is approximately equal to 100 so relationship is verified	reject idea that evaluations are inconsistent unless there is a significant difference between them e.g. due to ECF (1,100) gives constant = 100 (2,25) gives constant = 100 (3,11) gives constant = 99 (4,6) gives constant = 96 (5,4) gives constant = 100	4

Total for Question 10 = 13 marks

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
11 (a)	(i) any one from: satellite orbits a planet/Earth, planet orbits a star/Sun; orbital radius/time period of planet is greater than satellite;	both aspects of the comparison required allow RA allow planet's orbit is larger	1
	(ii) any one from: both orbit a planet/Earth; both have same shape of orbit;	allow circular or elliptical	1
(b)	(i) substitution into $v = 2\pi \times r / T$ ; conversion of 24 hours into seconds; rearrangement and evaluation of orbital radius; evaluation of height;  e.g. $3.1 = 2 \times \pi \times r / [24 \times (60 \times 60)]$ $T = (24 \times 60 \times 60 =) 86\,400 \text{ (s)}$ $r = 42628 \text{ (km)}$ (height = $42628 - 6400 =$ ) $36\,000 \text{ (km)}$	ignore units allow 86 400 seen anywhere   allow 36228.05996 (km)	4
	(ii) any three from: MP1. speed of waves constant; MP2. if source moving away, wavefronts spread out / wavelength increases; MP3. speed = frequency $\times$ wavelength; MP4. (higher wavelength and constant speed of waves) gives lower frequency;	allow RA for source approaching  allow RA for source approaching	3
	(iii) idea that there is no (relative) motion between point on Earth's surface and satellite; (therefore) no wavelength/frequency change;	allow distance to satellite from Earth does not change DOP	2

Total for Question 11 = 11 marks

