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**Pearson Edexcel International Advanced Level**

Time 1 hour 20 minutes

Paper reference **WPH16/01**

**Physics**

**International Advanced Level**

**UNIT 6: Practical Skills in Physics II**

**You must have:**  
Scientific calculator, ruler

Total Marks

### Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- If pencil is used for diagrams/sketches/graphs it must be dark (HB or B).
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*
- **Show all your working out** in calculations and **include units** where appropriate.

### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- The list of data, formulae and relationships is printed at the end of this booklet.

### Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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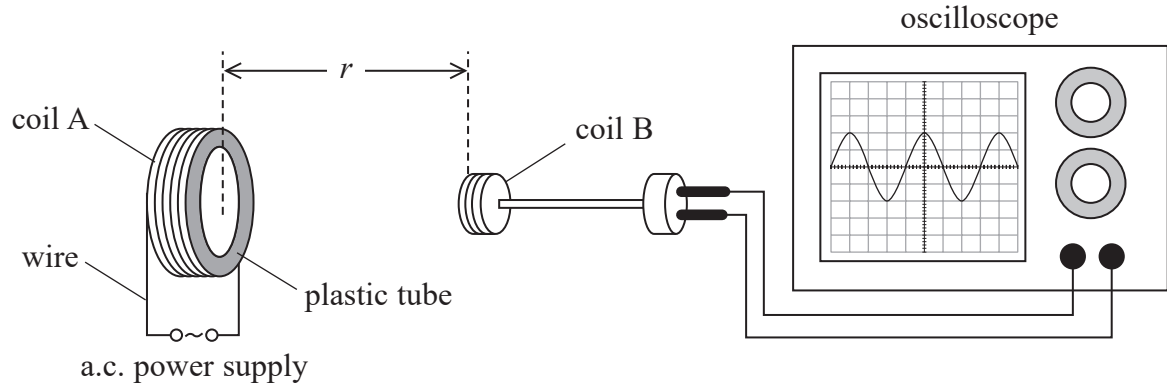
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**Answer ALL questions.**

- 1 A student investigated the magnetic field produced by a current-carrying coil, coil A. She made coil A by wrapping a wire around a plastic tube. Coil A was connected to an alternating current (a.c.) power supply.
- A second coil, coil B, was placed in the magnetic field and connected to an oscilloscope as shown.



- (a) Describe one safety issue and how it should be dealt with.

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- (b) The distance  $r$  between the two coils varied between 2 cm and 10 cm.

Explain why using Vernier calipers would be better than a metre rule to measure  $r$ .

You should include calculations in your answer.

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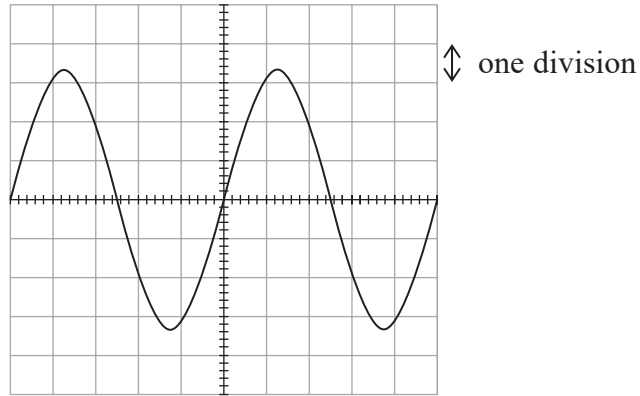
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- (c) When the a.c. power supply was switched on, an e.m.f.  $E$  was induced across coil B. The variation in  $E$  is shown on the oscilloscope screen below.



The  $y$ -scale was set to 100 mV per division.

Describe how an accurate maximum value for  $E$  can be determined from the oscilloscope screen.

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- (d) The student measured values of  $r$  with Vernier calipers and determined corresponding maximum values of  $E$ .

The student's values are shown in the table.

$r / \text{cm}$	2	4	6	8
$E / \text{V}$	320	40	11.9	5

Criticise the recording of this data.

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(Total for Question 1 = 10 marks)

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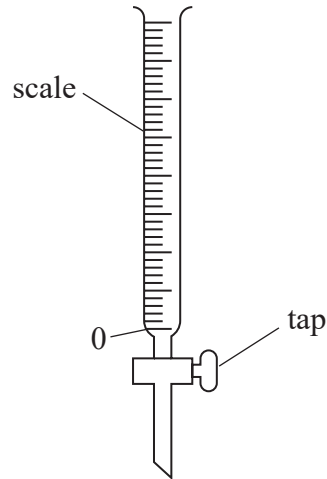
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- 2 A student used a transparent tube to measure a volume of liquid, as shown. Opening the tap allows liquid to flow out of the tube at a controlled rate.



When the tap is open, the volume  $V$  of liquid inside the tube decreases with time  $t$  according to the relationship

$$V = V_0 e^{-bt}$$

where  $V_0$  is the initial volume of liquid in the tube and  $b$  is a constant.

- (a) Explain why a graph of  $\ln V$  against  $t$  should be used to test this relationship.

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(b) A student investigates the relationship between  $V$  and  $t$ .

Describe how the student could obtain an accurate set of values for  $V$  and  $t$  to test this relationship.

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(c) Explain a source of uncertainty in this investigation.

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(Total for Question 2 = 8 marks)

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- 3 A liquid is placed inside a closed container. Some of the liquid evaporates.

The pressure of the vapour above the surface of the liquid increases to a maximum value. This maximum pressure is called the saturated vapour pressure.

- (a) The table shows data for the saturated vapour pressure  $P$  at different absolute temperatures  $T$ .

$P / \text{kPa}$	$T / \text{K}$		
7.8	308		
17.0	323		
34.6	338		
66.1	353		
120.1	368		
208.1	383		

- (i) Plot a graph of  $\log P$  against  $\frac{1}{T}$  on the grid opposite. Use the additional columns for your processed data.

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- (ii) Determine the gradient of the graph.

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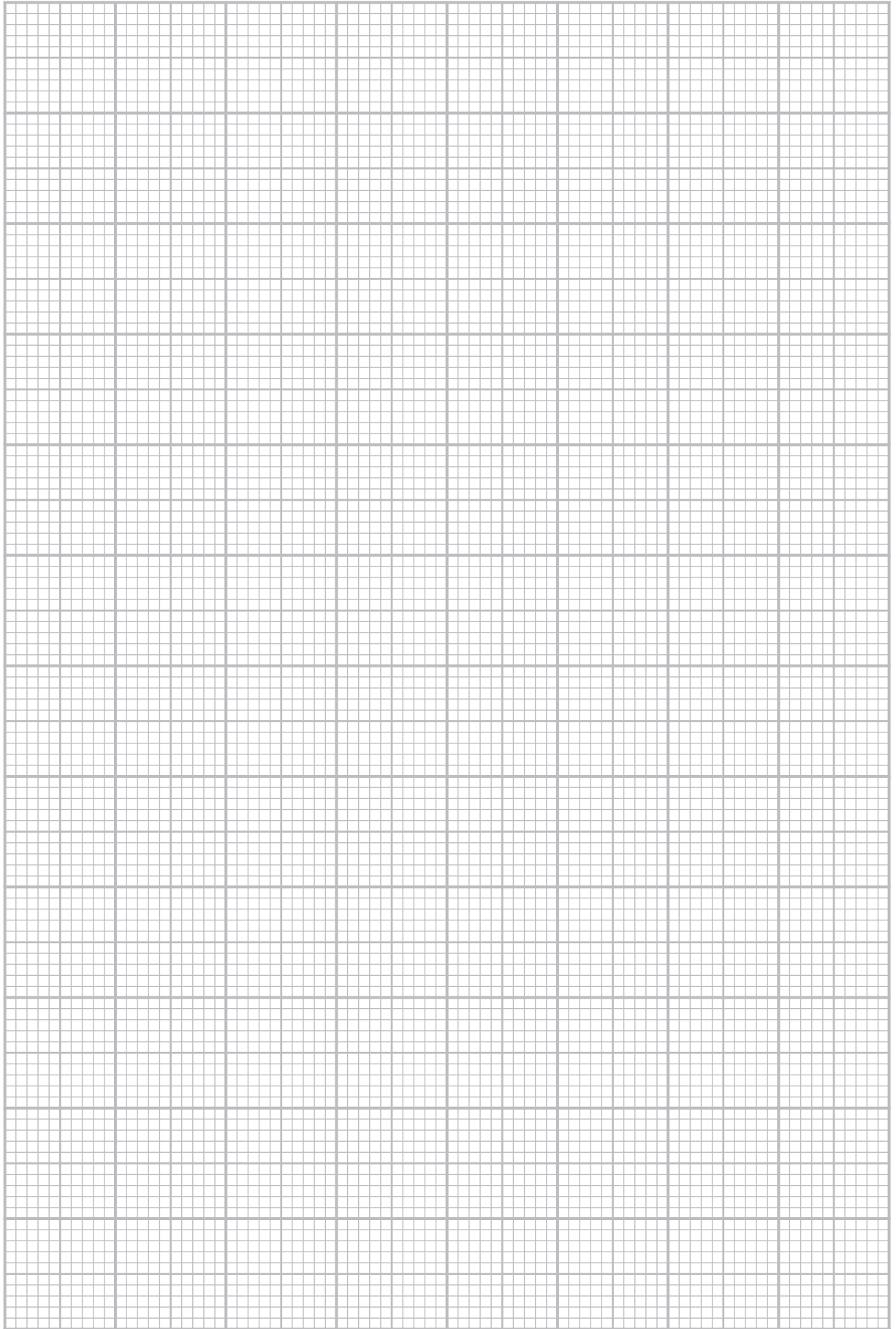
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(iii) The gradient of the graph of  $\log P$  against  $\frac{1}{T}$  is given by

$$\text{gradient} = -\frac{X}{2.30k}$$

where  $X$  is a constant with unit joules, and  $k$  is the Boltzmann constant.

Determine the value of  $X$  in joules.

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$$X = \dots\dots\dots \text{ J}$$

(b) Liquids boil when the saturated vapour pressure is equal to atmospheric pressure.

Determine the boiling point of the liquid in  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  when the atmospheric pressure is 100 kPa.

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$$\text{Boiling point} = \dots\dots\dots ^{\circ}\text{C}$$

**(Total for Question 3 = 15 marks)**

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4 A student had two pieces of constantan wire, X and Y.

Wires X and Y had different diameters.

(a) The student measured the diameter  $d_x$  of wire X several times using a micrometer screw gauge.

(i) Explain one measuring technique he should use.

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(ii) The student recorded the following measurements.

$d_x / \text{mm}$	0.31	0.32	0.31	0.33	0.30
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Determine the mean value of  $d_x$  and its uncertainty in mm.

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Mean value of  $d_x = \dots\dots\dots \text{mm} \pm \dots\dots\dots \text{mm}$

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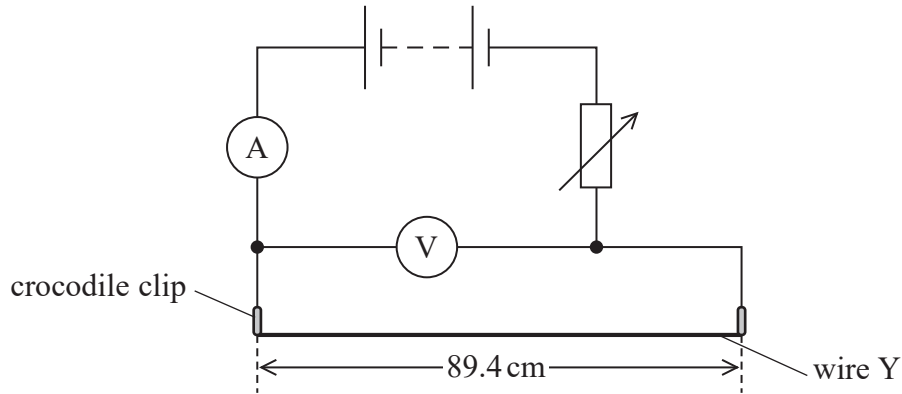
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(b) The student measured the diameter  $d_Y$  of wire Y as  $0.22 \text{ mm} \pm 0.01 \text{ mm}$ .

He connected part of wire Y in a circuit as shown.



The student measured the potential difference  $V$  across the wire in the circuit and the current  $I$  in the wire.

He recorded the following values

$$V = 4.990 \text{ V} \pm 0.005 \text{ V}$$

$$I = 0.4570 \text{ A} \pm 0.0005 \text{ A}$$

The length of wire Y in the circuit was  $89.4 \text{ cm} \pm 0.1 \text{ cm}$ .

(i) Show that the resistivity  $\rho$  of the metal is about  $5 \times 10^{-7} \Omega \text{ m}$ .

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(ii) Show that the percentage uncertainty in  $\rho$  is about 9%.

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- (c) The student measured the resistances  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  of different lengths of wire Y using an ohmmeter. Each resistance was measured once.

The student's values are given in the table.

	Length / cm	Resistance / $\Omega$
$R_1$	40.0	4.5
$R_2$	90.0	10.2

He calculated the resistance  $R_L$  for one metre of wire using the formula

$$R_L = 2 \times (R_2 - R_1)$$

Show that the percentage uncertainty in  $R_L$  is about 2%.

$$R_L = 11.4 \Omega$$

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(d) The student wanted to confirm that the metal of the wire is constantan.

The student compared his calculated values of  $\rho$  and  $R_L$  to published values for constantan.

The values are shown in the table below.

	$\rho / 10^{-7} \Omega \text{ m}$	$R_L / \Omega$
Calculated	$4.6 \pm 9\%$	$11.4 \pm 2\%$
Published	4.9	11.2

Comment on how well the student's calculated values confirm that the metal of the wire is constant.

You must include calculations in your answer.

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(Total for Question 4 = 17 marks)

**TOTAL FOR PAPER = 50 MARKS**

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### List of data, formulae and relationships

Acceleration of free fall	$g = 9.81 \text{ m s}^{-2}$	(close to Earth's surface)
Boltzmann constant	$k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$	
Coulomb's law constant	$k = 1/4\pi\epsilon_0$ $= 8.99 \times 10^9 \text{ N m}^2 \text{ C}^{-2}$	
Electron charge	$e = -1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$	
Electron mass	$m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$	
Electronvolt	$1 \text{ eV} = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$	
Gravitational constant	$G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N m}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2}$	
Gravitational field strength	$g = 9.81 \text{ N kg}^{-1}$	(close to Earth's surface)
Permittivity of free space	$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F m}^{-1}$	
Planck constant	$h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$	
Proton mass	$m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$	
Speed of light in a vacuum	$c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$	
Stefan-Boltzmann constant	$\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-4}$	
Unified atomic mass unit	$u = 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$	

#### Unit 1

##### Mechanics

Kinematic equations of motion	$s = \frac{(u + v)t}{2}$
	$v = u + at$
	$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$
	$v^2 = u^2 + 2as$

Forces	$\Sigma F = ma$
	$g = \frac{F}{m}$
	$W = mg$

Momentum	$p = mv$
Moment of force	moment = $Fx$

Work and energy	$\Delta W = F\Delta s$
	$E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$
	$\Delta E_{\text{grav}} = mg\Delta h$

Power	$P = \frac{E}{t}$
	$P = \frac{W}{t}$

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Efficiency

$$\text{efficiency} = \frac{\text{useful energy output}}{\text{total energy input}}$$

$$\text{efficiency} = \frac{\text{useful power output}}{\text{total power input}}$$

*Materials*

Density

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$$

Stokes' law

$$F = 6\pi\eta rv$$

Hooke's law

$$\Delta F = k\Delta x$$

Elastic strain energy

$$\Delta E_{\text{el}} = \frac{1}{2}F\Delta x$$

Young modulus

$$E = \frac{\sigma}{\varepsilon} \text{ where}$$

$$\text{Stress } \sigma = \frac{F}{A}$$

$$\text{Strain } \varepsilon = \frac{\Delta x}{x}$$

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**Unit 2***Waves*

Wave speed  $v = f\lambda$

Speed of a transverse wave on a string  $v = \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}}$

Intensity of radiation  $I = \frac{P}{A}$

Refractive index  $n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$

$$n = \frac{c}{v}$$

Critical angle  $\sin C = \frac{1}{n}$

Diffraction grating  $n\lambda = d \sin \theta$

*Electricity*

Potential difference  $V = \frac{W}{Q}$

Resistance  $R = \frac{V}{I}$

Electrical power, energy  $P = VI$

$$P = I^2R$$

$$P = \frac{V^2}{R}$$

$$W = VIt$$

Resistivity  $R = \frac{\rho l}{A}$

Current  $I = \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta t}$

$$I = nqvA$$

Resistors in series  $R = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$

Resistors in parallel  $\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$

*Particle nature of light*

Photon model  $E = hf$

Einstein's photoelectric equation  $hf = \phi + \frac{1}{2}mv_{\max}^2$

de Broglie wavelength  $\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$

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**Unit 4***Further mechanics*

Impulse

$$F\Delta t = \Delta p$$

Kinetic energy of a non-relativistic particle

$$E_k = \frac{p^2}{2m}$$

Motion in a circle

$$v = \omega r$$

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$$

$$a = \frac{v^2}{r}$$

$$a = r\omega^2$$

Centripetal force

$$F = ma = \frac{mv^2}{r}$$

$$F = mr\omega^2$$

*Electric and magnetic fields*

Electric field

$$E = \frac{F}{Q}$$

Coulomb's law

$$F = \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$$

$$E = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$$

$$E = \frac{V}{d}$$

Electrical potential

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

Capacitance

$$C = \frac{Q}{V}$$

Energy stored in capacitor

$$W = \frac{1}{2} QV$$

$$W = \frac{1}{2} CV^2$$

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \frac{Q^2}{C}$$

Capacitor discharge

$$Q = Q_0 e^{-t/RC}$$

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Resistor-capacitor discharge

$$I = I_0 e^{-t/RC}$$

$$V = V_0 e^{-t/RC}$$

$$\ln Q = \ln Q_0 - \frac{t}{RC}$$

$$\ln I = \ln I_0 - \frac{t}{RC}$$

$$\ln V = \ln V_0 - \frac{t}{RC}$$

In a magnetic field

$$F = Bqv \sin \theta$$

$$F = BIl \sin \theta$$

Faraday's and Lenz's laws

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{-d(N\phi)}{dt}$$

*Nuclear and particle physics*

In a magnetic field

$$r = \frac{p}{BQ}$$

Mass-energy

$$\Delta E = c^2 \Delta m$$

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**Unit 5***Thermodynamics*

Heating  $\Delta E = mc\Delta\theta$

$$\Delta E = L\Delta m$$

Ideal gas equation  $pV = NkT$

Molecular kinetic theory  $\frac{1}{2}m\langle c^2 \rangle = \frac{3}{2}kT$

*Nuclear decay*

Mass-energy  $\Delta E = c^2\Delta m$

Radioactive decay  $A = \lambda N$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = -\lambda N$$

$$\lambda = \frac{\ln 2}{t_{1/2}}$$

$$N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$A = A_0 e^{-\lambda t}$$

*Oscillations*

Simple harmonic motion  $F = -kx$

$$a = -\omega^2 x$$

$$x = A \cos \omega t$$

$$v = -A\omega \sin \omega t$$

$$a = -A\omega^2 \cos \omega t$$

$$T = \frac{1}{f} = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$$

$$\omega = 2\pi f$$

Simple harmonic oscillator  $T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$

$$T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{l}{g}}$$

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*Astrophysics and cosmology*

Gravitational field strength  $g = \frac{F}{m}$

Gravitational force  $F = \frac{Gm_1m_2}{r^2}$

Gravitational field  $g = \frac{Gm}{r^2}$

Gravitational potential  $V_{\text{grav}} = \frac{-Gm}{r}$

Stefan-Boltzmann law  $L = \sigma AT^4$

Wien's law  $\lambda_{\text{max}}T = 2.898 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m K}$

Intensity of radiation  $I = \frac{L}{4\pi d^2}$

Redshift of electromagnetic radiation  $z = \frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda} \approx \frac{\Delta f}{f} \approx \frac{v}{c}$

Cosmological expansion  $v = H_0 d$

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