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# Level 1 Physics, 2016

# 90938 Demonstrate understanding of aspects of wave behaviour

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Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
Demonstrate understanding of aspects of wave behaviour.	Demonstrate in-depth understanding of aspects of wave behaviour.	Demonstrate comprehensive understanding of aspects of wave behaviour.

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## You should attempt ALL the questions in this booklet.

Make sure that you have Resource Sheet L1-PHYSR.

In your answers use clear numerical working, words and/or diagrams as required.

Numerical answers should be given with an appropriate SI unit.

If you need more space for any answer, use the page(s) provided at the back of this booklet and clearly number the question.

Check that this booklet has pages 2–14 in the correct order and that none of these pages is blank.

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# **QUESTION ONE: WAVE PROPERTIES**

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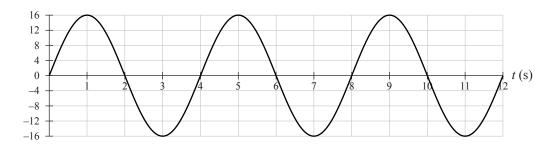
(a)	There are two types of waves, longitudinal and transverse.
	Give an example of each.
	Longitudinal:
	Transverse:
(b)	Explain the differences between a longitudinal and a transverse wave.
	Your answer should include:
	• how the particles in the wave move
	• how the wave travels.

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(c) A circuit that has an alternating current is connected to an oscilloscope. The oscilloscope screen displays a waveform of the alternating current, as shown below.

(i) On the diagram, **draw** and **label** the amplitude of the wave.

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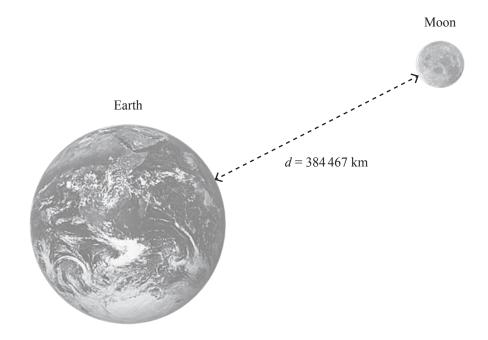


(ii)	Use the information in the diagram above to determine the <b>frequency</b> of the wave
	Give a unit with your answer.

Frequency:	Unit:
1	

(d) Scientists have been able to calculate the distance between the Earth and the Moon by shining a red laser from Earth and reflecting the red laser on a mirror left on the Moon by the Apollo 11 mission back to a receiver on Earth.

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(i) The scientists are using a red laser with a wavelength of  $6.5 \times 10^{-7}$  m and a period of  $2.17 \times 10^{-15}$  s.

Show that the speed of the red laser light is  $3.0\times 10^8\ m\ s^{-1}.$ 

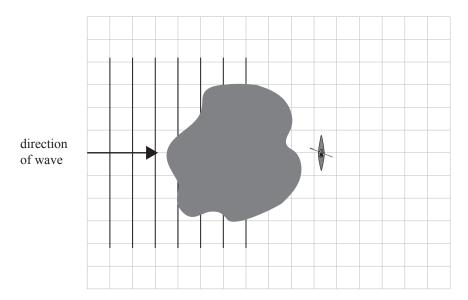
The distance between the Earth ar		
Calculate the time it takes for the	laser light to leave Earth and return to hit the rec	eiver.
	Time:	

# **QUESTION TWO: WATER AND LIGHT**

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(a) While sea kayaking, people can go behind small islands for safety from large ocean waves.

Complete the diagram below to show how the waves travel around the small island.



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(b)	(i)	With help from the diagram in (a), explain why a kayaker would go behind the island for safety.
	(ii)	As the kayaker is watching the waves pass from behind the island, he counts 6 waves in 4 seconds.
		Calculate the period of the wave.

Period:

The kayaker notices a mist from the water that is creating a rainbow. He remembers from (c) ASSESSOR'S USE ONLY science class that white light can be separated into the colours of the rainbow if it goes through a prism. Complete the diagram below to show how white light is being separated into its different colours. Draw and label all seven colours. If you need to redraw your response, use the diagram on page 11. incident ray (d) The prism has an optical density that increases as the frequency of the light increases. Explain why the prism alters the path of **red** and **blue** light differently, as you have drawn in the diagram above.

## **QUESTION THREE: CAR MIRRORS**

Side mirrors on the outside of cars are designed to reflect light so the driver can see what is beside them.

(a) (i) Complete a ray diagram to show how the side view mirror allows the light to travel from the car to the driver.

Show where the image of the car is formed.



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side view mirror





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- (ii) On your diagram above, label ONE of the rays with the angle of incidence and the angle of reflection.
- (iii) How does the angle of incidence compare with the angle of reflection?

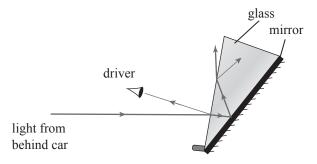
(b) Inside the car is a rear view mirror.

At night, the reflected glare from the headlights of a following car can impede the vision of the driver. With the pull of a lever, the mirror can be moved to a night-time position, which reduces the glare, as shown in the diagram below.

In this night-time position, a **small percentage of the light reflects** from the front of the glass surface and enters the driver's eye.



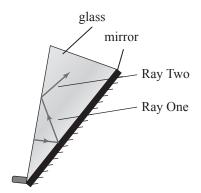
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Using the diagram above, explain how reflection and refraction alter the path of the remaining light so that the glare of the headlights of the following car seen by the driver is educed.					

(c) The diagram below shows the path that a ray of light takes as it travels in the glass wedge.

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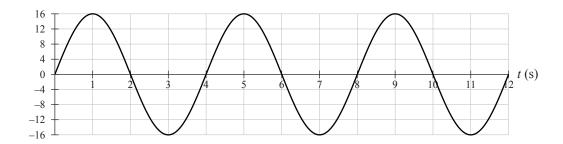
State what is occurring to Ray One at the boundary between the glass wedge and the air, that forms Ray Two.

Give reasons why.			

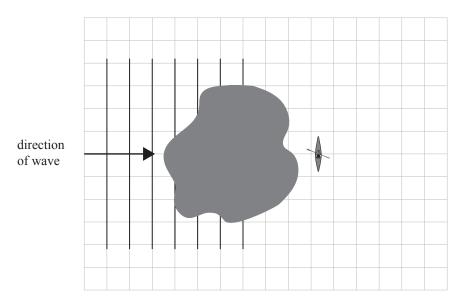
## **SPARE DIAGRAMS**

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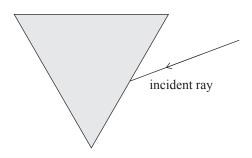
If you need to redraw your response to Question One (c)(i), use the diagram below. Make sure it is clear which answer you want marked.



If you need to redraw your response to Question Two (a), use the diagram below. Make sure it is clear which answer you want marked.



If you need to redraw your response to Question Two (c), use the diagram below. Make sure it is clear which answer you want marked.



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If you need to redraw your response to Question Three (a), use the diagram below. Make sure it is clear which answer you want marked.
side view mirror
driver A

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