



Western Australian Certificate of Education ATAR course examination, 2017

Question/Answer Booklet

12 PHYSICS

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Test 4 - Electromagnetism

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Mark: 52

In words

Time allowed for this paper

Reading time before commencing work: five minutes
Working time for paper: sixty minutes

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Structure of this paper

Section	Number of questions available	Number of questions to be answered	Suggested working time (minutes)	Marks available	Percentage of exam
Section One: Short Answers	5	5	10	8	15
Section Two: Problem-solving	7	7	50	44	85
Section Three: Comprehension	-	-	-	-	-
Total					100

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8. Note that when an answer is a vector quantity, it must be given with magnitude and direction.
9. In all calculations, units must be consistent throughout your working.

1. Describe **TWO** similarities and **TWO** differences between the **gravitational field** of a point mass and the **electric field** of a point charge. [4 marks]

Similarities

(a)

(b)

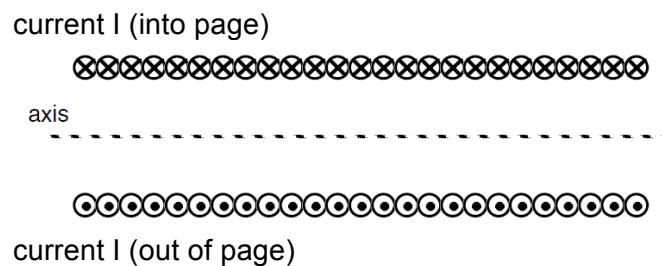
Differences

(a)

(b)

Circle **ONLY ONE** correct answer for Multiple Choice Questions 2 to 5.

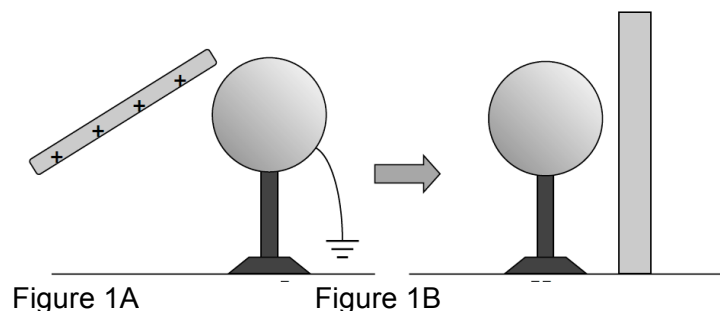
2.



A cross section of a long solenoid that carries current I is shown above.
All of the following statements about the magnetic field B inside the solenoid are correct except:

- A. Magnetic field B is directed to the left.
 - B. The magnitude of B is proportional to the current I .
 - C. The magnitude of B is proportional to the number of turns of wire per unit length.
 - D. The magnitude of B is proportional to the distance from the axis of the solenoid.
- [1 mark]

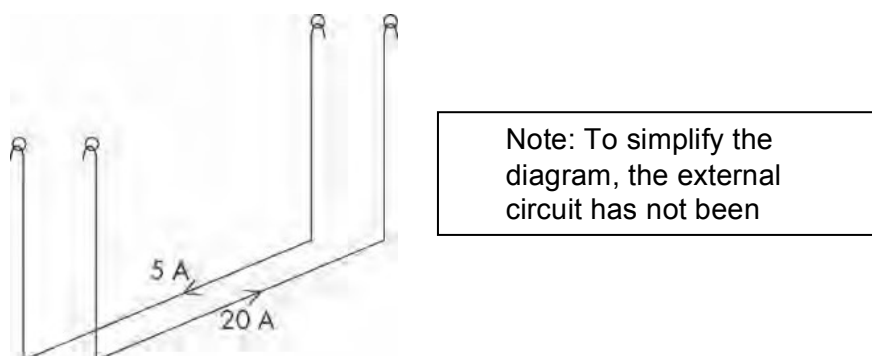
3. A rod-shaped, positively-charged insulator is brought near a conducting sphere, and the sphere is momentarily grounded as shown in Figure 1A.



The conducting sphere is then placed near a non-conducting plane as shown in Figure 1B. Which of the following statements is **true** for Figure 1B?

- A. The conductor has a negative charge and is attracted to the non-conducting plane.
- B. The conductor has a negative charge and is not attracted to the non-conducting plane.
- C. The conductor has a positive charge and is attracted to the non-conducting plane.
- D. The conductor has a positive charge and is not attracted to the non-conducting plane.
- E. The conductor has no charge. [1 mark]

4.



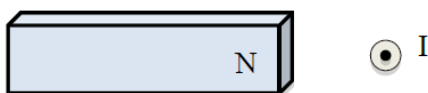
In an experiment to demonstrate the force between two wires carrying current, two identical long parallel wires are suspended from supports in such a way that a force between them will cause them to swing towards one another or away from one another.

A current of 5.0 A is then passed through wire A and 20.0 A through wire B.

If the currents flow in **opposite directions**, what will happen to the wires? [1 mark]

- A. A force of repulsion will appear between the wires and the wires will swing apart by equal amounts.
- B. A force of repulsion will appear between the wires and the wires will swing apart, but wire B will swing out furthest.
- C. A force of repulsion will appear between the wires and the wires will swing apart, but wire A will swing out furthest.
- D. A force of attraction will appear between the wires and they will move towards one another by equal amounts.

5. The diagram shows a stationary conductor carrying current ***I out of the page*** near to the magnet. In what direction will a magnetic force act on the conductor?



- A. South B. West C. North D. East [1 mark]

6. **Figure 2** below shows two identical negatively charged conducting spheres. The spheres are tiny and each is suspended from a nylon thread.

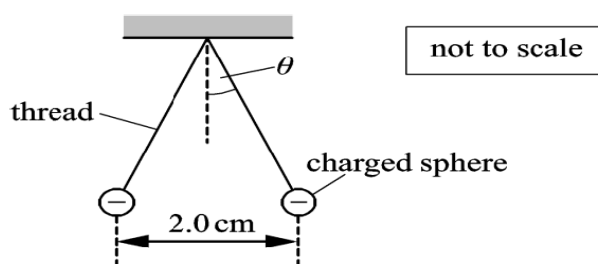


Figure 2

Each sphere has a mass of $6.00 \times 10^{-5} \text{ kg}$ and $-4.00 \times 10^{-9} \text{ C}$. The separation between the centres of spheres is 2.00 cm .

- (a) Explain clearly why the spheres are separated as shown in **Figure 2**?

[2 marks]

- (b) Calculate the angle θ made by each thread with the vertical.

[4 marks]

7. **Figure 3** below shows two parallel vertical metal plates connected to a battery.

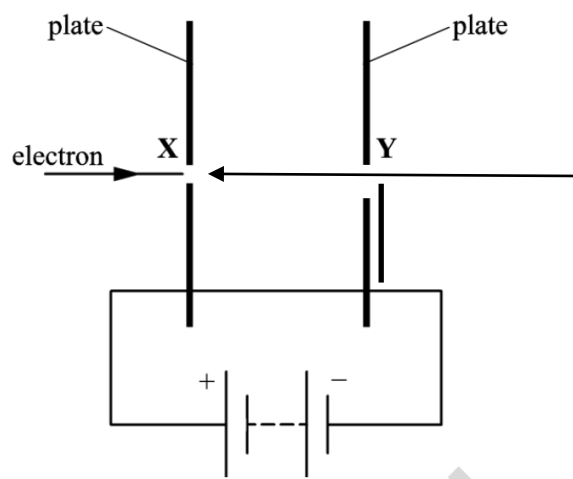


Figure 3

The plates are placed in a vacuum and have a separation of 1.20 cm. The **uniform** electric field strength between the plates is $1.50 \times 10^3 \text{ Vm}^{-1}$. An electron travels through tiny holes **Y** and **X** in the plates. The electron has a horizontal velocity of $5.00 \times 10^6 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ when it enters hole **Y**.

- (a) Draw **four lines** on **Figure 3** to represent the electric field between the parallel plates. [2 marks]
- (b) Calculate the **final speed** of the electron as it leaves hole **X**. [3 marks]

8. **Figure 4** shows the circular track of a positron (having a positive charge) in a uniform magnetic field.

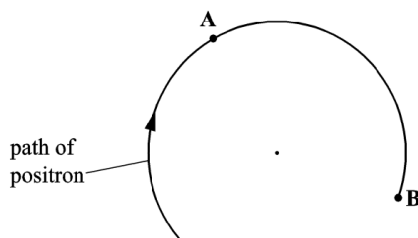
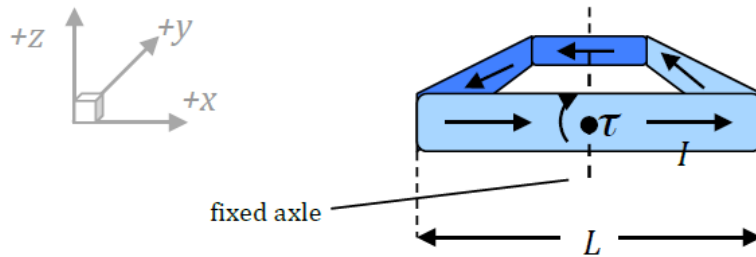


Figure 4

- (a) At point A, **indicate the direction of the magnetic force** acting on the positron. [1 mark]
- (b) State the **direction** of the uniform magnetic field. [1 mark]
- (c) Does the magnetic force change the speed of the positron? Justify your answer. [2 marks]

9.



A square loop of wire, with sides of length L , is oriented in the x - y plane, and able to rotate in a clockwise direction about an axle along the y -axis and running through the middle of the loop, as shown.

The loop carries a current I in the direction indicated, and a constant magnetic field \mathbf{B} is applied so as to create a clockwise torque.

(a) State the direction of the magnetic field? Justify your answer. [2 marks]

(b) In terms of L , \mathbf{B} and current I , derive an equation for:

(i) the magnitude of the torque on the arm in the $+y$ direction. [3 marks]

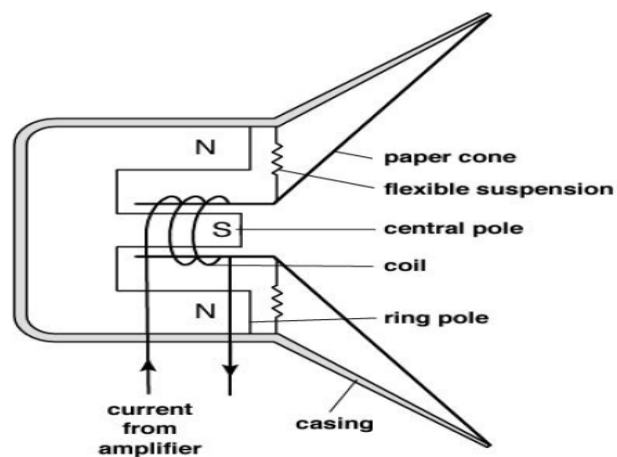
(ii) the maximum magnitude of **total torque** exerted. [2 marks]

10. The "motor effect" is used in a range of applications.

(a) What is the "motor effect"?

[2 marks]

(b) A labelled diagram of a loudspeaker is given below.

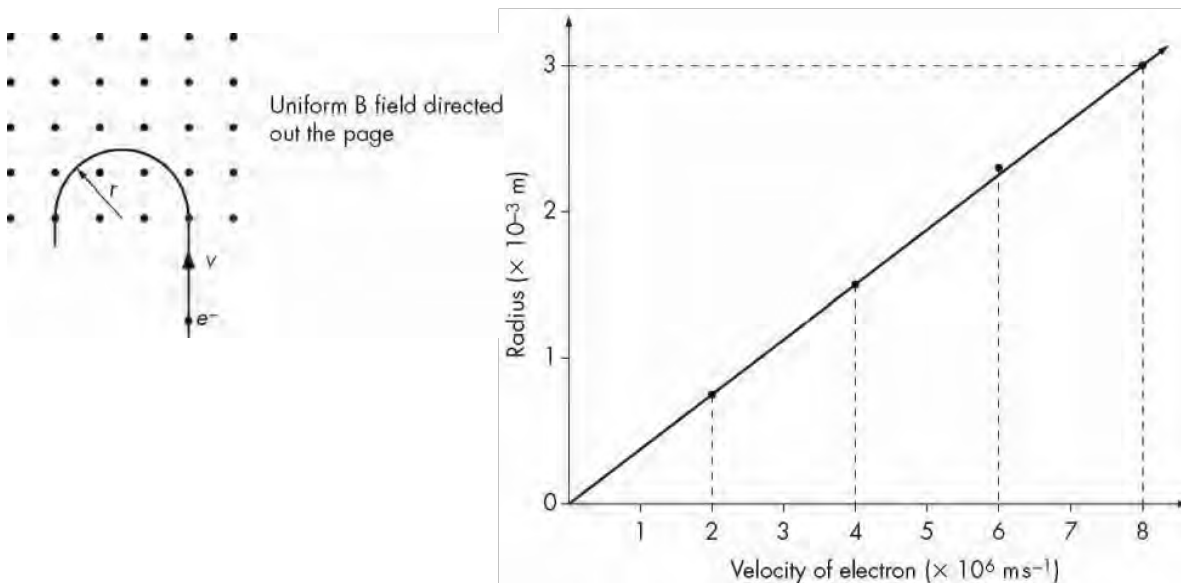


A Physics student has written the first statement to explain how a loudspeaker converts electrical signals into sound waves. Complete her explanation. [4 marks]

- An alternating electrical current is applied to the coil in the loudspeaker.

11. A student uses a cathode gun to accelerate **electrons** to different velocities and then measures the radius of curvature of the path the electrons take in a magnetic field.

The electrons enter the magnetic field at right angles to the field. A diagram of the experiment and a graph of the results obtained by the student are shown below.



- (a) By equating the centripetal force and magnetic force on a charge moving perpendicularly to a magnetic field at a constant speed (v), derive a general expression for the radius of curvature of the charge in the field.

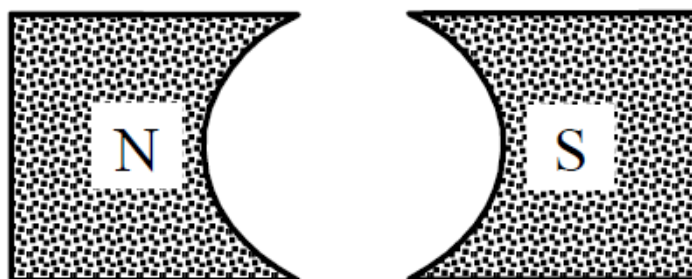
[2 marks]

- (b) Find the gradient of the graph.

[2 marks]

- (c) Using your answer to part (b), or otherwise, calculate the strength of the magnetic field used in this experiment. [2 marks]

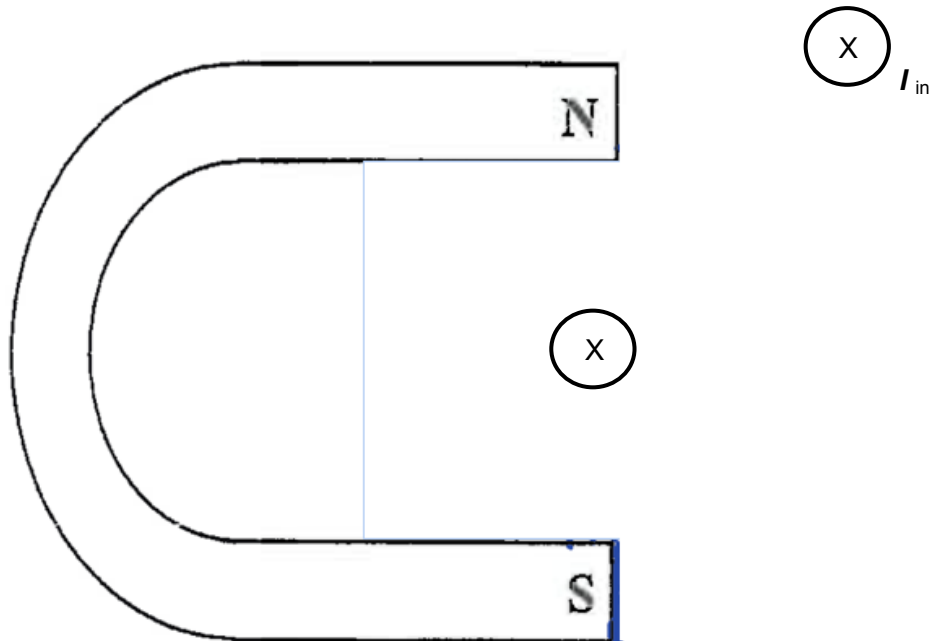
- (d) (i) In the diagram below, sketch the magnetic field between the two poles. [1 mark]



- (ii) Identify the reason for using the above field in a motor. [1 mark]

12. A wire carrying an electric current is placed between the poles of a horseshoe magnet. The 6.35 cm long conductor carries a current 4.80 A and the magnetic field between the poles of the magnet has a strength of 0.540 T.

- (a) On the diagram, carefully illustrate the resultant magnetic field and the direction of the force experienced by the conductor? [3 marks]



- (b) Determine the magnitude of the force experienced by the conductor wire? [2 marks]

13. Calculate the force on a small airplane, which has acquired a nett charge of $1.55 \times 10^3 \mu\text{C}$ and moves with a speed of $1.20 \times 10^2 \text{ ms}^{-1}$: [3 marks]
- (a) parallel to the Earth's magnetic field of $5.00 \times 10^{-5} \text{ T}$.
- (b) perpendicular to the Earth's magnetic field of $5.00 \times 10^{-5} \text{ T}$.