

Question 19**(19 marks)**

Hubble's law states:

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From this law comes Hubble's equation:

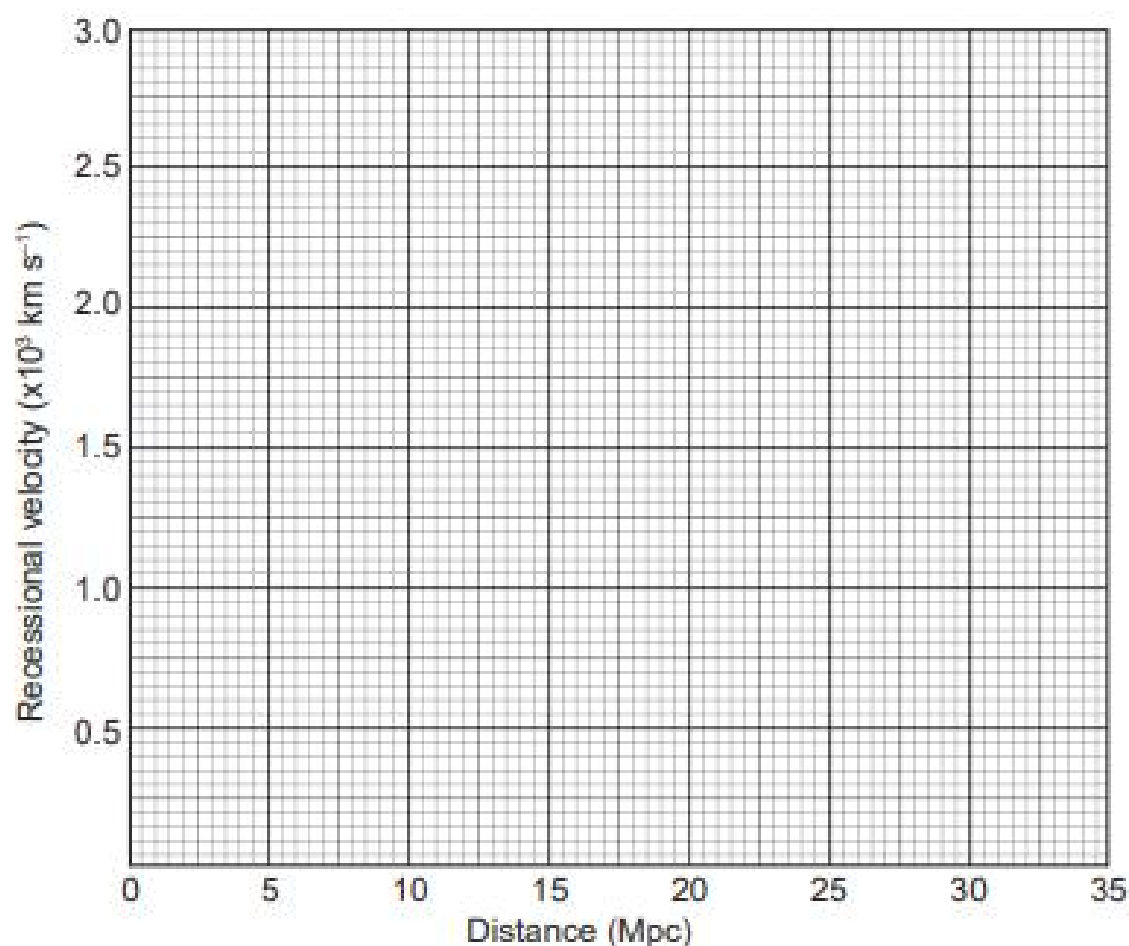
$$v = H_0 d$$

where v = recessional velocity d = distance from the Earth H_0 = Hubble's constant.

Below is some data Hubble used to graphically determine his constant.

Galaxy	Distance (Mpc)	Velocity ($\times 10^3 \text{ km s}^{-1}$)
NGC 1357	24.7	2.19
NGC 1832	31.0	2.82
NGC 2775	17.9	1.46
NGC 2903	6.96	0.45
NGC 3368	11.9	0.88

- (a) Graph the recessional velocity versus distance on the set of axes provided below and draw a line of best fit. Do not take your line through the origin. (3 marks)



- (b) Use two **non-data** points on your line of best fit to calculate Hubble's constant. Circle the two points you used and give your answer to two significant figures. (4 marks)

_____ $10^3 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$

Hubble measured the red shift of the galaxies to calculate their recessional velocities. The equation for the Doppler effect is shown below:

$$\frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda_0} = \frac{v}{c}$$

$\Delta\lambda$ = wavelength shift

λ_0 = wavelength of source not moving

v = velocity of source – line of sight

c = speed of light.

- (c) (i) The galaxy NGC 2013 is 7.42×10^7 ly away from the Earth. Convert this distance into megaparsecs (Mpc). (2 marks)

_____ Mpc

- (ii) Using your line of best fit and the value from part (c)(i), calculate the observed red-shifted wavelength emitted from NGC 2013 if λ_0 is 840.0 nm. (6 marks)

_____ nm

- (d) In Hubble's early data, he noticed that one particular spiral galaxy close to the Earth, seen edge on, had two values of v at its extremes. One was positive and one was negative. Assuming this was not an instrumental or human error, explain how this could occur. (4 marks)
