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Paper 4 A Level Structured Questions

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You must answer on the question paper.

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INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer all questions.
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- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
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Data

acceleration of free fall	$g = 9.81 \mathrm{m s^{-2}}$
acceleration of free fall	9 - 3.011113

speed of light in free space
$$c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \,\mathrm{m \, s^{-1}}$$

elementary charge
$$e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \,\mathrm{C}$$

unified atomic mass unit
$$1 \text{ u} = 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

rest mass of proton
$$m_{\rm p} = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \, \rm kg$$

rest mass of electron
$$m_{\rm e} = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \, \rm kg$$

Avogadro constant
$$N_A = 6.02 \times 10^{23} \,\mathrm{mol}^{-1}$$

molar gas constant
$$R = 8.31 \,\mathrm{J}\,\mathrm{K}^{-1}\,\mathrm{mol}^{-1}$$

Boltzmann constant
$$k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \,\mathrm{J \, K^{-1}}$$

gravitational constant
$$G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \,\mathrm{N \, m^2 \, kg^{-2}}$$

permittivity of free space
$$\varepsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \,\mathrm{F m^{-1}}$$

$$(\frac{1}{100} = 8.99 \times 10^9 \,\mathrm{m \, F^{-1}})$$

$$(\frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0}^{\circ} = 8.99 \times 10^9 \,\mathrm{m\,F^{-1}})$$

Planck constant
$$h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \,\mathrm{J}\,\mathrm{s}$$

Stefan–Boltzmann constant
$$\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \,\mathrm{W \, m^{-2} \, K^{-4}}$$

Formulae

uniformly accelerated motion
$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$
$$v^2 = u^2 + 2as$$

hydrostatic pressure
$$\Delta p = \rho g \Delta h$$

upthrust
$$F = \rho gV$$

Doppler effect for sound waves
$$f_o = \frac{f_s v}{v \pm v_s}$$

electric current
$$I = Anvq$$

resistors in series
$$R = R_1 + R_2 + \dots$$

resistors in parallel
$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots$$

$$\phi = -\frac{GM}{r}$$

$$E_{\rm P} = -\frac{GMm}{r}$$

pressure of an ideal gas

$$p = \frac{1}{3} \frac{Nm}{V} \langle c^2 \rangle$$

simple harmonic motion

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

velocity of particle in s.h.m.

$$v = v_0 \cos \omega t$$
$$v = \pm \omega \sqrt{(x_0^2 - x^2)}$$

electric potential

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 r}$$

electrical potential energy

$$E_{\rm P} = \frac{Qq}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 r}$$

capacitors in series

$$\frac{1}{C} \; = \; \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \dots$$

capacitors in parallel

$$C = C_1 + C_2 + \dots$$

discharge of a capacitor

$$x = x_0 e^{-\frac{t}{RC}}$$

Hall voltage

$$V_{\rm H} = \frac{BI}{ntq}$$

alternating current/voltage

 $x = x_0 \sin \omega t$

radioactive decay

$$x = x_0 e^{-\lambda t}$$

decay constant

$$\lambda = \frac{0.693}{t_{\underline{1}}}$$

intensity reflection coefficient

$$\frac{I_{R}}{I_{0}} = \frac{(Z_{1} - Z_{2})^{2}}{(Z_{1} + Z_{2})^{2}}$$

Stefan-Boltzmann law

$$L = 4\pi\sigma r^2 T^4$$

Doppler redshift

$$\frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda} \approx \frac{\Delta f}{f} \approx \frac{v}{c}$$

1	(a)	(i)	Define gravitational field.
		(ii)	Define electric field.
		(11)	
		(iii)	State one similarity and one difference between the gravitational potential due to a point mass and the electric potential due to a point charge. similarity:
			difference:
	(b)	The	[2] isolated uniform conducting sphere has mass <i>M</i> and charge <i>Q</i> . Is gravitational field strength at the surface of the sphere is <i>g</i> . Is electric field strength at the surface of the sphere is <i>E</i> .
		(i)	Show that
		(-)	$\frac{M}{Q} = \alpha \frac{g}{E}$
			where $lpha$ is a constant.
		(ii)	Show that the numerical value of α is 1.35 \times $10^{20} kg^2 C^{-2}.$

[1]

(c)		ume that the Earth is a uniform conducting sphere of mass 5.98×10^{24} kg. surface of the Earth carries a charge of -4.80×10^5 C that is evenly distributed.
	(i)	Use the information in (b) to determine the electric field strength at the surface of the Earth. Give a unit with your answer.
		electric field strength = unit [2]
	(ii)	State how the direction of the electric field at the surface of the Earth compares with the direction of the gravitational field.

.....[1]

[Total: 11]

2 A steel sphere of mass 0.29 kg is suspended in equilibrium from a vertical spring. The centre of the sphere is 8.5 cm from the top of the spring, as shown in Fig. 2.1.

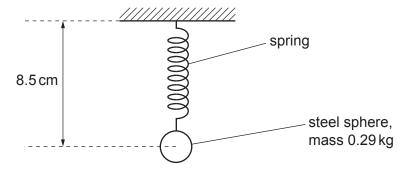


Fig. 2.1

The sphere is now set in motion so that it is moving in a horizontal circle at constant speed, as shown in Fig. 2.2.

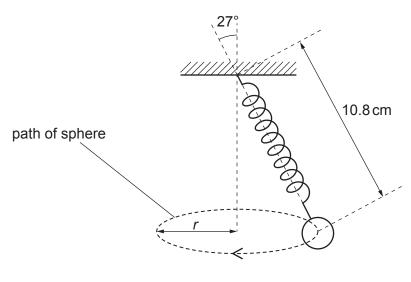


Fig. 2.2

The distance from the centre of the sphere to the top of the spring is now 10.8 cm.

(a)	Explain, with reference to the forces acting on the sphere, why the length of the spring in Fig. 2.2 is greater than in Fig. 2.1.

(b)	The	angle between the linear axis of the spring and the vertical is 27°.	
	(i)	Show that the radius r of the circle is $4.9\mathrm{cm}$.	
	(ii)	Show that the tension in the spring is 3.2 N.	[1]
			[2]
	(iii)	The spring obeys Hooke's law.	
		Calculate the spring constant, in N cm ⁻¹ , of the spring.	
(c)	(i)	spring constant =	[2]
		centripetal acceleration = ms ⁻²	[2]
	(ii)	Calculate the period of the circular motion of the sphere.	
		period = s	
		[Total: 1	12]

		te the reason why two objects that are at the same temperature are described as being in rmal equilibrium.
(b)		[1] . 3.1 shows the variations with temperature of the densities of mercury and of water ween 0°C and 100°C.
density		density
	0	temperature/°C 100 0 100 temperature/°C
		Fig. 3.1
	Tem	nperature may be measured using the variation with temperature of the density of a liquid.
	Sug	ggest why, for measuring temperature over this temperature range:
	(i)	mercury is a suitable liquid
	(ii)	water is not a suitable liquid.
		[2]
		eaker contains a liquid of mass 120 g. The liquid is supplied with thermal energy at a rate $310\mathrm{W}$. The beaker has a mass of 42 g and a specific heat capacity of $0.84\mathrm{Jg^{-1}K^{-1}}$. The

(c) A beaker contains a liquid of mass 120 g. The liquid is supplied with thermal energy at a rate of 810 W. The beaker has a mass of 42 g and a specific heat capacity of 0.84 J g⁻¹ K⁻¹. The beaker and the liquid are in thermal equilibrium with each other at all times and are insulated from the surroundings.

Fig. 3.2 shows the variation with time *t* of the temperature of the liquid.

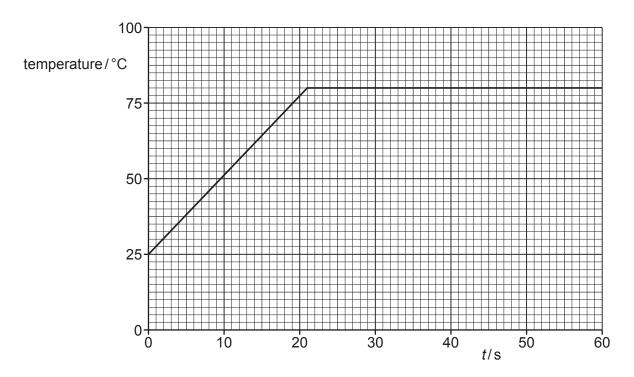


Fig. 3.2

(i) State the boiling temperature, in °C, of the liquid.

(ii) Determine the specific heat capacity, in $Jg^{-1}K^{-1}$, of the liquid.

specific heat capacity =
$$Jg^{-1}K^{-1}$$
 [4]

(d) The experiment in (c) is repeated using water instead of the liquid in (c). The mass of liquid used, the power supplied, and the initial temperature are all unchanged. The specific heat capacity of water is approximately twice that of the liquid in (c). The boiling temperature of water is 100°C.

On Fig. 3.2, sketch the variation with time t of the temperature of the water between t = 0 and t = 60 s. Numerical calculations are not required. [2]

[Total: 11]

4	(a)	State two	of the	basic a	assumptions	of the	kinetic	theory	of	gases
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1	 	
2	 	
		[2]

(b) An ideal gas has amount of substance n.

The gas is initially in state X, with pressure 2p and volume V.

The gas is cooled at constant volume to state Y, with pressure *p*.

The gas is then heated at constant pressure to state Z, with volume 2V.

Finally, the gas returns at constant temperature to state X.

(i) Determine an expression for the temperature T of the gas in state X, in terms of n, p and V.

Identify any other symbols that you use.

[2]

(ii) On Fig. 4.1, sketch the variation with volume of pressure for the gas as the gas undergoes the three changes. The state X is labelled. Label states Y and Z.

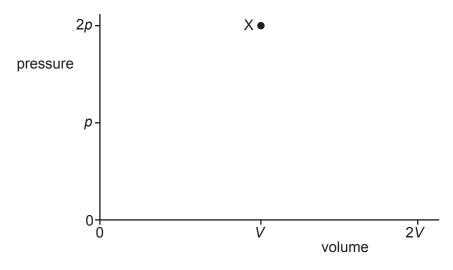


Fig. 4.1

[3]

(iii) During the change of state from Y to Z, the increase in internal energy of the gas is *U*. During the change of state from Z to X, the work done on the gas is *W*.

Complete Table 4.1 to indicate, for each of the three changes of state, the increase in internal energy of the gas, the thermal energy transferred to the gas and the work done on the gas, in terms of p, V, U and W.

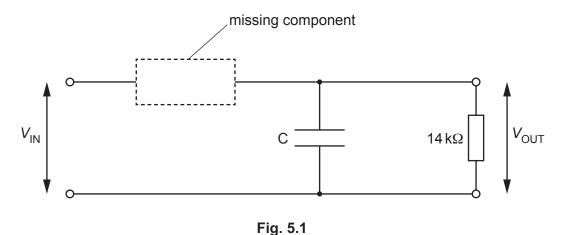
Table 4.1

change	increase in internal energy of gas	thermal energy transferred to gas	work done on gas
X to Y			
Y to Z	+U		
Z to X			+W

[5]

[Total: 12]

5 Part of an electric circuit is shown in Fig. 5.1.



The circuit is used to produce half-wave rectification of an alternating voltage of potential difference (p.d.) $V_{\rm IN}$.

The output p.d. across the $14 \,\mathrm{k}\Omega$ resistor is V_{OUT} .

- (a) (i) A component is missing from the circuit of Fig. 5.1.
 - Complete the circuit diagram in Fig. 5.1 by adding the circuit symbol for the missing component, correctly connected. [1]
 - (ii) A capacitor C is shown in the circuit of Fig. 5.1.

State the effect on V_{OUT} of including the capacitor in the circuit.

_____[1]

(b) Fig. 5.2 shows the variation with time t of V_{INI} .

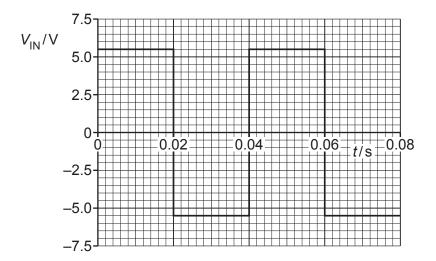


Fig. 5.2

Fig. 5.3 shows the variation with t of $V_{\rm OUT}$.

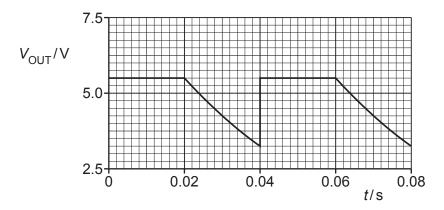


Fig. 5.3

('i)	Determine	the	frequency	of	V
١	."/	Determine	uic	irequeries	Oi	VINI.

frequency =		Hz	[1]	
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(ii) Show that the time constant τ for the discharge of the capacitor through the resistor is 0.038s.

[2]

(iii) Calculate the capacitance of C. Give a unit with your answer.

capacitance = unit [2]

(c) The circuit of Fig. 5.1 is modified so that it produces full-wave rectification of an input voltage. Suggest, with a reason, how $V_{\rm OUT}$ now varies with time when $V_{\rm IN}$ is as shown in Fig. 5.2.

[3]

[Total: 9]

6	(a)	State what is meant by a magnetic field.	
			[2]
	(b)	A long, straight wire P carries a current into the page, as shown in Fig. 6.1.	

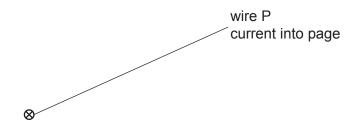


Fig. 6.1

On Fig. 6.1, draw four field lines to represent the magnetic field around wire P due to the current in the wire.

(c) A second long, straight wire Q, carrying a current of 5.0A out of the page, is placed parallel to wire P, as shown in Fig. 6.2.

wire P	wire Q
\otimes	⊙
current	current 5.0 A
into page	out of page

Fig. 6.2

The flux density of the magnetic field at wire Q due to the current in wire P is 2.6 mT.

(i) Calculate the magnetic force per unit length exerted on wire Q by wire P.

force per unit length = $N m^{-1}$ [2]

(ii)	State the direction of the force exerted on wire Q by wire P.	
		[1]
(iii)	The flux density of the magnetic field at wire P due to the current in wire Q is 1.5 mT.	
	Determine the magnitude of the current in wire P. Explain your reasoning.	

current = A [2]

[Total: 10]

7 (a) State what is meant by the de Broglie wavelength.

	[1]

(b) Fig. 7.1 shows a glass tube in which electrons are accelerated through a high p.d. to form a beam that is incident on a thin graphite crystal.

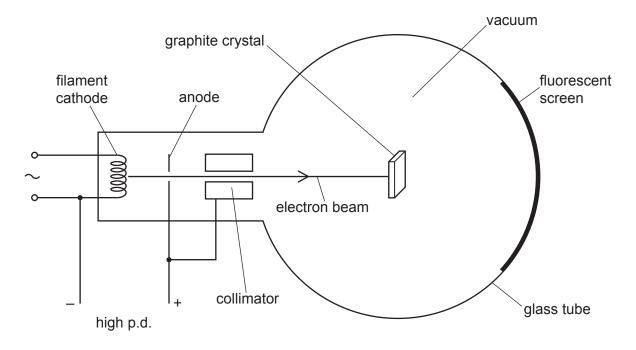


Fig. 7.1 (not to scale)

After passing through the graphite crystal, the electrons reach the fluorescent screen. The screen glows where the electrons strike it.

Fig. 7.2 shows the fluorescent screen viewed end-on, from the right-hand side of Fig. 7.1.

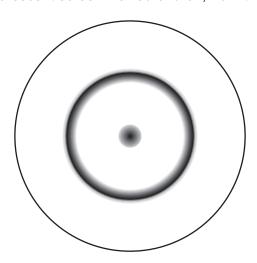


Fig. 7.2

	(i)	State the name of the phenomenon demonstrated by the pattern shown in Fig. 7.2.
	(ii)	Explain what can be concluded from the pattern in Fig. 7.2 about the nature of electrons.
		[2]
(c)		electrons in (b) are now accelerated through a greater potential difference between the ode and the anode.
	(i)	On Fig. 7.3, sketch the pattern that is now seen on the fluorescent screen in Fig. 7.1.
		Fig. 7.3 [2]
	(ii)	Explain, with reference to de Broglie wavelength, the change in the pattern on the fluorescent screen.
		[3] [Total: 9]

8 (a) Table 8.1 shows some data relating to the properties of air, gel and body tissue. The data are given to three significant figures.

Table 8.1

material	density/kgm ⁻³	speed of sound/ms ⁻¹	specific acoustic impedance/kgm ⁻² s ⁻¹
air		340	440
gel	1200	1400	
tissue	1090		1.68 × 10 ⁶

			·	impedance/kgm -s ·	
	air		340	440	
	gel	1200	1400		
	tissue	1090		1.68 × 10 ⁶	
	(i) S	how that the specific acousti	ic impedance of gel is 1.68	$\times 10^6 \mathrm{kg}\mathrm{m}^{-2}\mathrm{s}^{-1}$.	
		complete Table 8.1 by calcula pace below for any working t		three significant figures. Use	[1] e the
(b		ne information in (a) to calcul n air–tissue boundary	ate the intensity reflection	coefficient for:	[2]
	(ii) a	intensity refle gel–tissue boundary.	ection coefficient =		. [2]

intensity reflection coefficient =[1]

Use your answers in (b) to explain why gel is applied to the skin during ultrasound scanning.	g.
[2	[2]
	,
[Total: 8	8]

9

		11 is radioactive and decays by β^{+} emission to form boron-11. Carbon-11 has a half-life of ees. Boron-11 is stable.
(a)	Def	ine half-life.
		[1]
(b)	A sa	ample contains N_0 nuclei of carbon-11 and no other nuclei at time $t=0$.
	On	Fig. 9.1, sketch the variation with t of the number of nuclei of boron-11 in the sample.
		number of nuclei $0.5N_0$
		Fig. 9.1 [3]
(c)	(i)	Explain, with reference to the random nature of radioactive decay, why the activity of the carbon-11 sample in (b) decreases with time.
		[2]
	(ii)	State, with reasons, whether a radiation detector placed near to the sample of carbon-11 indicates a measured count rate from the sample that is less than, the same as or greater than the activity of the sample.
		[2]

[Total: 9]

10	(a)	Stat	te Hubble's law. Identify any symbols that you use.
			[2]
	(b)	A st	ar of luminosity 3.8×10^{31} W is a distance of 1.8×10^{24} m from the Earth.
		Cal	culate the radiant flux intensity at the Earth of the radiation emitted by the star.
			radiant flux intensity = W m ⁻² [2]
	(c)	hav	e star in (b) is in a distant galaxy. A spectral line in the light from this galaxy is known to e a wavelength of 486nm. This spectral line in the light from the galaxy observed on the th has a wavelength of 492nm.
		(i)	Explain why the wavelength observed on the Earth is different from the wavelength that the galaxy is known to have emitted.
			[2]
		(ii)	Determine a value for the Hubble constant H_0 .

 $H_0 = \dots s^{-1}$ [3]

[Total: 9]

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