

Mark Scheme (Results)

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Question	Answer	Mark
Number		
1	B is the correct answer as it is a V-I graph for a filament lamp	(1)
	A is not the correct answer as it is not a <i>V-I</i> graph for a diode	
	C is not the correct answer as it is not a <i>V-I</i> graph for an ohmic	
	conductor	
	D is not the correct answer as it is not a <i>V-I</i> graph for a thermistor	
2	C is the correct answer as the distance between the laser and	(1)
	diffraction grating is not required in the equation $n\lambda = d\sin\theta$	
	A is not the correct answer as the distance from the diffraction grating	
	to the screen is used to calculate $\theta$ in the equation $n\lambda = d\sin\theta$	
	B is not the correct answer as the distance from the central maximum	
	to the first order maximum is used to calculate $\theta$ in the equation $n\lambda = d\sin\theta$	
	D is not the correct answer as the distance between the slits in the	
	diffraction grating is used to calculate $d$ in the equation $n\lambda = d\sin\theta$	
3	C is the correct answer as <i>v</i> represents the drift velocity of the	(1)
	charge carriers.	
	A is not the correct answer as $n$ is the number of charge carriers per m <sup>3</sup>	
	B is not the correct answer as $q$ is the charge per charge carrier	
	D is not the correct answer as A is the cross-sectional area	
4	A is the correct answer as a higher temperature both increases the	(1)
	number of conduction electrons released by a thermistor and	
	increases the amplitude of the lattice vibrations.	
	B is not the correct answer as the number of conduction electrons does not decrease	
	C is not the correct answer as the amplitude of lattice vibrations does	
	not stay the same  D is not the correct answer as neither the number of conduction	
5	electrons decrease nor the amplitude of lattice vibrations stay the same.  A is the correct answer as $R = V/I$ , and $V$ is measured in $JC^{-1}$ and $I$ is	(1)
5	measured in $Cs^{-1}$ .	(1)
	B is not the correct answer as the units of resistance are not JC <sup>2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	
	C is not the correct answer as the units of resistance are not JC <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	
	D is not the correct answer as the units of resistance are not JCs	
6	A is the correct answer as $v = \sqrt{(T/\mu)}$ , where $T = Mg$ and $\mu = \text{mass } m$	(1)
<b>J</b>	per unit length, where length = $4L/3$	(')
	B is not the correct answer as this suggests the overall length of the	
	string is 2L/3	
	C is not the correct answer as this suggests the overall length of the	
	string is L  D is not the correct answer as this suggests the overall length of the	
	D is not the correct answer as this suggests the overall length of the	
	string is L/3	1

7	C is the correct answer as the path difference of 12cm is half the wavelength, causing destructive interference (no heating).	(1)
	A is not the correct answer as the path difference of 12cm would only cause maximum heating if it was a multiple of the wavelength B is not the correct answer as the path difference of 12cm would only cause maximum heating if it was a multiple of the wavelength. D is not the correct answer as the path difference of 12cm would only cause no heating if it was an odd half multiple of the	
8	wavelength.  B is the correct answer as, for a uniform wire, the ratio of	(1)
	distances AS:SB is the same as the ratio $R_1:R_2$ , and distance AS =	
	y, distance SB = $x-y$	
	A is not the correct answer as x is not the distance SB	
	C is not the correct answer as <i>y</i> is not the distance SB	
	D is not the correct answer as the ratio $x/y$ is equivalent to the ratio $(R_1+R_2)/R_1$	
9	B is the correct answer as $\lambda$ is much smaller than the gap size	(1)
	A is not the correct answer as $\lambda$ matches the gap size	
	C is not the correct answer as $\lambda$ is larger than the gap size	
	D is not the correct answer as λ matches the gap size	
10	D is the correct answer as Z is a full cycle from V, and	(1)
	compressions are separated by one full wave cycle.	
	A is not the correct answer as W is neither a compression nor a rarefaction	
	B is not the correct answer as X is a rarefaction C is not the correct answer as Y is neither a compression nor a rarefaction	

Question	Answer		Mark
Number		,	
11a	Use of $n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$	(1)	
	Use of $n = c/v$ with $c = 3.00 \times 10^8$ (m s <sup>-1</sup> ) $v = 1.4 \times 10^8$ (m s <sup>-1</sup> ) so material is cubic zirconia	(1) (1)	3
	V = 1.4 × 10 (III 3 ) 30 Material is cubic zir coma	(1)	3
	(For MP1, allow use of $n = \sin i / \sin r$ )		
	(All marks can be achieved if candidate calculates $n$ for all of the		
	gemstones and compares to value calculated in MP1)		
	Example of calculation $n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$ , 1.00 sin (50°) = $n_2 \sin (21^\circ)$ , $n_2 = 2.14$		
	$n = c/v$ , so $v = (3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}) / 2.14 = 1.4 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$		
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11bi	Use of $\sin C = 1/n$ where $n = c/v$	(1)	
	Critical angle for diamond is 24°	(1)	
	(40.5° > 24°) so diagram shows reflection at the boundary	(1)	
	Ray completed showing TIR in correct direction by eye	(1)	
	OR		
		(4)	
	Use of $n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$	(1)	
	$n_1 \sin \theta_1 = 1.57$	(1) (1)	
	(sin $\theta_2 > 1$ ) so diagram shows reflection at the boundary	(1)	4
	Ray completed showing TIR in correct direction by eye	( - )	-
	(Only allow MP3 if TIR is drawn on the diagram, not just stated)		
	34.0°		
	Example of calculation		
	$\sin C = 1/n = (1.24 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}) / (3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}) = 0.41.$ $C = \sin^{-1} (0.41) = 24^\circ$		
11bii	Silicon carbide has a greater refractive index (than diamond)  Or silicon carbide has a smaller critical angle (than diamond)		
	<b>Or</b> critical angle for silicon carbide is 23°		
	Or critical angle is still less than the angle of incidence	(4)	
	<b>Or</b> $\sin \theta_2$ is still > 1	(1)	
	So total internal reflection (TIR) would (still) take place		
	(MP2 dependent on MP1)	(1)	2
	(Calculation of n for silicon carbide not good enough for MP1)		
	Total for question 11		9

Question Number	Answer		Mark
12(a)	Waves have been <u>reflect</u> ed by the <u>water</u> surface	(1)	
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	Transmitted wave and reflected wave interfere		
	<b>Or</b> waves travelling in opposite directions interfere	(1)	2
	(For MP2, allow 'superpose' for 'interfere')		
	(For MP2, do not allow 'opposite waves')		
12(b)(i)	Use of $v = f\lambda$	(1)	
	With $\lambda = 4 \times \text{length of column (or see 0.772m)}$	(1)	
	$v = 340 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	(1)	3
	Example of calculation		
	$\lambda = 4 \times \text{length of column} = 4 \times 0.193 \text{ m} = 0.772 \text{ m}$		
	$v = f\lambda = 440 \text{ Hz} \times 0.772 \text{ m} = 339.7 \text{ ms}^{-1}$		
12(b)(ii)	(Wave)length would be longer		
	<b>Or</b> node to antinode distance would be longer	(1)	
	This would cause the value (for the speed of sound) to be higher		
	(than calculated value, which is therefore less accurate)	(1)	2
	(MP2 dependent on MP1)		
	(Answer can be written in the converse e.g. the wavelength used in		
	the calculation is shorter, so the calculated speed is lower).		
	Total for Question 12		7

Answer		Mark
	(1)	
Use of $R = \rho I / A$	(1)	
	(1)	
Length of wire = 2.1 m	(1)	4
Example of calculation		
$R = V^2 / P = (12V)^2 / 60 W = 2.4 \Omega.$		
$A = \pi r^2 = \pi \times (0.125 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m})^2 = 4.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2$		
$I = RA / \rho = (2.4 \Omega)(4.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2) / (5.6 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \text{ m}) = 2.1 \text{ m}$		
A has a lower resistance than B		
<b>Or</b> (at 12V) $R_A = 2.4\Omega$ . $R_B = 4.8\Omega$	(1)	
p.d. will not be shared equally between them		
<b>Or</b> B requires/has greater p.d. than A	(1)	
A will have less than 12V so will not operate normally (so the		
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·	(4)	
,	(1)	
OR		
(at 12V) $I_A = 5A$ , $I_B = 2.5A$		
	(1)	
(Circuit is series so) current should be the same for both	• •	
	(1)	
Either A will have too little current, so will not operate normally (so		
student is incorrect)		
<b>Or</b> B will have too much current, so will not operate normally (so		
Student is incorrect)		
(For MP2 in second alternative, do not allow a calculation of total	(1)	3
circuit)		
Total for guestion 13		7
	Use of $P = V^2 / R$ <b>Or</b> Use of $P = VI$ <b>and</b> $R = VII$ Use of $R = \rho I / A$ Use of $A = \pi r^2$ or $\pi d^2 / 4$ Length of wire = 2.1 m  Example of calculation $R = V^2 / P = (12V)^2 / 60 \text{ W} = 2.4 \Omega$ . $A = \pi r^2 = \pi \times (0.125 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m})^2 = 4.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2$ $I = RA / \rho = (2.4 \Omega)(4.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2) / (5.6 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \text{ m}) = 2.1 \text{ m}$ A has a lower resistance than B Or (at 12V) $R_A = 2.4\Omega$ . $R_B = 4.8\Omega$ p.d. will not be shared equally between them Or B requires/has greater p.d. than A A will have less than 12V so will not operate normally (so the student is incorrect) Or B will have more than 12V so will not operate normally (so the student is incorrect)  OR  (at 12V) $I_A = 5A$ , $I_B = 2.5A$ (Circuit is series so) current should be the same for both Either A will have too little current, so will not operate normally (so student is incorrect)  Or B will have too much current, so will not operate normally (so student is incorrect)  (For MP2 in second alternative, do not allow a calculation of total circuit current = 3.3 A, as this would not be the current in this	Use of $P = V^2 / R$ <b>Or</b> Use of $P = V / $ <b>and</b> $R = V / I$ (1) Use of $R = p / I / A$ (1) Use of $A = \pi r^2$ or $\pi d^2 / 4$ (1) Length of wire = 2.1 m (1)  Example of calculation $R = V^2 / P = (12V)^2 / 60 \text{ W} = 2.4 \Omega$ . $A = \pi r^2 = \pi \times (0.125 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m})^2 = 4.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2$ $I = RA / p = (2.4 \Omega)(4.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2) / (5.6 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \text{ m}) = 2.1 \text{m}$ A has a lower resistance than B Or (at $12V$ ) $R_A = 2.4\Omega$ . $R_B = 4.8\Omega$ (1) p.d. will not be shared equally between them Or B requires/has greater p.d. than A (1) A will have less than $12V$ so will not operate normally (so the student is incorrect) (1) OR (at $12V$ ) $I_A = 5A$ , $I_B = 2.5A$ (1) (Circuit is series so) current should be the same for both (1) Either A will have too little current, so will not operate normally (so student is incorrect) (7) B will have too much current, so will not operate normally (so student is incorrect) (1) Or B will have too much current, so will not operate normally (so student is incorrect) (1) (5) Gr B will have too much current, so will not operate normally (so student is incorrect) (1) (5) Gr B will have too much current, so will not operate normally (so student is incorrect) (1) (5) Gr B will have too much current, so will not operate normally (so student is incorrect) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1

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14a	(In the wave model) <u>energy</u> is built up over time		
	<b>Or</b> (in the wave model) the <u>energy</u> is spread across the wave	(1)	
	So (photo) <u>electron</u> s would not be released		
	immediately/instantaneously	(1)	2
	<b>Or</b> so (photo) <u>electron</u> s would be released after a time delay		
	(MP1 – allow any wording indicating a time delay e.g. 'slowly')		
	(MP2 – do not allow "photoelectric emission" unless it is directly		
	linked to <u>electron</u> release)		
14bi	Use of $hf = \Phi + \frac{1}{2}mv^2_{\text{max}}$	(1)	
	Converts from eV to J	(1)	
	Use of $E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ (with m = 9.11 × 10 <sup>-31</sup> )	(1)	
	Maximum speed of electrons = $7.3 \times 10^5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	(1)	4
	Example of calculation		
	$\phi$ (in J) = 4.3 eV × (1.6 × 10 <sup>-19</sup> J eV <sup>-1</sup> ) = 6.9 × 10 <sup>-19</sup> J		
	$hf - \Phi = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = (9.3 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}) - (6.9 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}) = 2.4 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$		
	$2.4 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J} = \frac{1}{2} (9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}) v^2$		
	$v = 7.3 \times 10^5 \mathrm{ms}^{-1}$		
14bii	Lower work function (than zinc) would result in greater (maximum)		
	speed (of electrons)	(1)	
	Greater wavelength (of ultraviolet light) would result in smaller		
	(maximum) speed (of electrons)		
	<b>Or</b> to achieve greater (maximum) speed (of electrons), a smaller		
	wavelength would be required	(1)	
	The relative sizes of these changes are not known so no conclusion		
	could be reached		
	<b>Or</b> the first suggestion is correct, the second is incorrect	(4)	_
	(MD1/MD2 ignore references to VE)	(1)	3
	(MP1/MP2 – ignore references to KE)		0
	Total for question 14		9

Question	Answer		Mark
Number		(4)	
15a	See $I_T = I_1 + I_2$	(1)	
	See $V/R_T = V/R_1 + V/R_2$	(1)	
	Divides both sides by $V$ to give $1/R_T = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2$ <b>Or</b> $V$ is the same in parallel, so $1/R_T = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2$	(1)	3
	(MP3 cannot be awarded for just seeing the equation as this is given on the formula sheet).	(.,	
15bi	Use of resistors in parallel formula for N, P and Q (or see 3.3 Ω from		
	relevant working)	(1)	
	Adds total to resistance of O (or see 8.3 $\Omega$ )	(1)	
	Total resistance = 3.1 (Ω)	(1)	3
	(No unit penalty as is a "show that") (Each step in calculation could be achieved with product/sum calculations, but need to see bracketed values for MP1 and MP2)		
	Example of calculation Resistor N = $5.0 \Omega$ , P + Q = $5.0 \Omega$ + $5.0 \Omega$ = $10.0 \Omega$		
	1/ $R_T$ for N parallel with (P+Q) = (1/5.0 Ω) + (1/10.0 Ω). $R_T$ = 10/3 = 3.3 Ω. O in series with this 3.3Ω, so total for N,O,P,Q section = 25/3 = 8.3 Ω. 1/ $R_T$ (for whole combination) = (1 / 8.3 Ω) + (1 / 5.0 Ω) $R_T$ = 3.1 Ω		
15bii	Replace resistor M	(1)	
	The resistance of a parallel combination is always less than a single resistor in parallel with the others.	(1)	2
	(MP2 dependent on MP1)_		
	Total for question 15		8

Question	Answer						Mark
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*16a	This question assesses a student's ability to show a coherent and logically structure answer with linkages and fully sustained reasoning. Marks are awarded for indicat content and for how the answer is structured and shows lines of reasoning. The following table shows how the marks should be awarded for indicative content.					licat ie	
	IC points IC mark Max linkage mark Max final mark						
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	4	3	1		4		
	3	2	1		3		
	2	2	0		2		
	1	1	0		1		
	0	0	0		0		
	The following and lines of re		now the marks shou	ıld be	e awarded for structure		
				strı	mber of marks awarded for acture of answer and tained line of reasoning		
	Answer shows a coherent and logical structure with linkages and fully sustained lines of reasoning demonstrated throughout  Answer is partially structured with some linkages and lines of reasoning						
	Answer has no linkages between points 0 and is unstructured						
	<ul> <li>Electron</li> <li>Then one</li> <li>Energy</li> <li>For hydron</li> <li>level of</li> <li>Since</li> </ul> (For IC1, do not) (For IC2 and IC)	s/electrons abons move to help down ender y levels are divergen atom differences (the ender y	s, there are only a snat can occur to proof $f\lambda$ , only certain wave	ng <u>ph</u> mall duce eleng	number of possible energy visible light) ths are emitted ited)		6
16b	Air contains d	ifferent gases	s/molecules/elemen	ts/at	oms	(1)	
	Each (different) gas has its own energy levels (so light with a large number of wavelengths/frequencies are released) (1)				(1)	2	
		•	a mixture of differe	nt pa	rticles')		
	Total for qu	estion 16					8

Question Number	Answer		Mark
17a	Use of $V = W / Q$ or $W = V/t$	(1)	
176	ε = 1.56 (V)		
	Use of $V = IR$	(1)	
	Sum of e.m.f.s = Sum of p.d.s <b>Or</b> see $\varepsilon = V + Ir$	(1)	
	$r = 2.6 \Omega$	(1)	
		(1)	
	OR		
	Use of $W = Pt$		
	With $P = I^2 R$	(1)	
	with $R = r + 12$	(1)	
	All other data correctly substituted $(50 = (0.107)^2 (r + 12) 300)$	(1)	
	$r = 2.6 \Omega$	(1)	
		(1)	5
	Example of calculation	(1)	
	$\varepsilon = W / Q = (50 \text{ J}) / (0.107 \text{ A})(300 \text{ s}) = 1.56 \text{ V}$		
	$\varepsilon = IR + Ir$ , 1.56 V = (0.107 A) (12 $\Omega$ ) + (0.107 A) $r$ ,		
	$r = 2.56 \Omega$		
17b	(Increasing R) decreases I		
	<b>Or</b> (Increasing <i>R</i> ) gives <i>R</i> a greater share of the total resistance in		
	the circuit	(1)	
	Less p.d. across internal resistance		
	<b>Or</b> <i>Ir</i> becomes less		
	(Accept decrease in 'lost volts')	(1)	2
17c	Take readings for p.d. and current	(1)	
	Change resistance / R	(1)	
	Plot a graph of <i>V</i> against <i>I</i>	(1)	
	Gradient is − <i>r</i> .	(1)	4
	(MP4 conditional on MP3)		
	(Allow MP3/4 for graph of I-V with gradient $-1/r$ )		
	(A sketch graph of $V-I$ with the gradient labelled $-r$ can achieve MP3/4)		
	Total for question 17		11

Question	Answer		Mark
Number			
18(a)	Use of $I = P / A$	(1)	
	$A = 4\pi r^2$ with $r = 1.50 \times 10^{11}$ (m)	(1)	
	Solar intensity at the solar panel = 1350 W m <sup>-2</sup>	(1)	3
	Example of calculation		
	For intensity of sunlight at the panel:		
	$I = P / A = (3.83 \times 10^{26} \text{ W}) / 4\pi (1.50 \times 10^{11} \text{ m})^2 = 1355 \text{ W m}^{-2}$		
18(b)	Use of $v = f\lambda$ with $v = 3.00 \times 10^8$ m s <sup>-1</sup>	(1)	
	Use of $E = hf$	(1)	
	Energy of photon = $3.7 \times 10^{-19}$ (J)	(1)	3
	(Correct substitution into E = $hc/\lambda$ can score both MP1 & MP2)		
	Example of calculation		
	$v = f\lambda$ , (3.00 × 10 <sup>8</sup> m s <sup>-1</sup> ) = f × (532 × 10 <sup>-9</sup> m), f = 5.64 × 10 <sup>14</sup> Hz		
	$E = hf = (6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}) \times (5.64 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}) = 3.74 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$		
18(c)(i)	Use of speed = distance / time with $v = 3.00 \times 10^8$ m s <sup>-1</sup>	(1)	
	Height of orbit = $4.8 \times 10^5$ m	(1)	2
	(Allow MP1 for candidates who fail to halve the time)		
	Example of calculation		
	Distance = speed × time = $(3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}) \times (3.20 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s} / 2)$		
	Height of orbit = 480 km		
18(c)(ii)	Photons from other/unknown sources also arrive at the satellite		
	<b>Or</b> only photons emitted (by the laser) should be recorded		
	<b>Or</b> other (wavelengths of) photons are not emitted (by the laser)	(1)	1
	(Allow 'light' or 'waves' for 'photons')		
18(d)	(For a flat surface) measurements give the same time/distance	(1)	
	(Higher elevation means that) photons/light will return in less time		
	<b>Or</b> $s = vt/2$ gives smaller distance to the ice	(1)	2
		(')	
	Total for question 18		11