

# Comp Phys B report marking scheme

Marks will be allocated in the four categories shown below.

	Presentation (25 marks)	Background and context (10 marks)	Achievement (35 marks)	Analysis and scientific understanding (30 marks)	Comments
80%+	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Negligible spelling, punctuation and grammatical errors</li> <li>Exemplary writing style; lively and articulate writing, showing excellent command of technical terminology and strong arguments</li> <li>Entirely succinct, clear and precise descriptions and explanations</li> <li>Excellent presentation, layout and formatting; coherent and logical structure</li> <li>Creative use of well designed and relevant figures and/or tables</li> <li>Perfect formatting of figures and/or tables, equations and references</li> <li>Excellent linkage of the text with figures, tables and equations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Excellent description of the project's objectives, its context and any applications of the work</li> <li>Excellent description of physical background to the project, at a level exactly appropriate for the audience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student achieved much more than would normally be expected</li> <li>Evidence in report of excellent computational skills</li> <li>Excellent quality and quantity of results, presented clearly</li> <li>Evidence of creativity, innovation and initiative, as well as industriousness</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Insightful critical assessment, with an excellent discussion of the advantages and limitations of the techniques used</li> <li>Excellent analysis of the results, including comparisons with relevant theoretical or experimental results</li> <li>Errors and uncertainties treated and discussed entirely rigorously and appropriately</li> <li>Clear, justifiable and complete conclusions, with suggestions for the future development of the project</li> </ul>	<p>very good work, very creative use of simulation and computing tools</p>
70-79%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Very few spelling, punctuation and grammatical errors</li> <li>Very good writing style</li> <li>Nearly all descriptions and explanations are succinct, clear and precise</li> <li>Very good presentation, layout and formatting; coherent and logical structure</li> <li>Well designed and relevant figures and/or tables</li> <li>Very good formatting of figures and/or tables, equations and references</li> <li>Text links well with figures, tables and equations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Very good description of the project's objectives, its context and any applications of the work</li> <li>Very good description of physical background to the project</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student achieved more than would normally be expected</li> <li>Evidence in report of very strong computational skills</li> <li>Very good quality and quantity of results, presented clearly</li> <li>Evidence of some creativity, innovation and initiative, as well as industriousness</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strong critical assessment, with a very good discussion of the advantages and limitations of the techniques used</li> <li>Very good analysis of the results, including comparisons with relevant theoretical or experimental results</li> <li>Very good treatment and discussion of errors and uncertainties</li> <li>Clear, justifiable and complete conclusions</li> </ul>	<p>very nice set of experiments and results</p> <p>2 pages of appendices is at the limit when appendices are excessively used</p> <p>bit of physics missing: few real-life examples of DLAs would have been good to mention, and what sticking probability means in physics terms</p>
60-69%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A few spelling, punctuation and grammatical errors</li> <li>Good writing style</li> <li>Most descriptions and explanations are succinct, clear and precise</li> <li>Good presentation, layout and formatting; coherent and logical structure</li> <li>Generally well designed and relevant figures and/or tables</li> <li>Good formatting of figures and/or tables, equations and references</li> <li>Text mostly links well with figures, tables and equations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Good description of the project's aims &amp; objectives, its context and any applications of the work</li> <li>Good description of physical background to the project</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student achieved as much as would normally be expected</li> <li>Evidence of good computational skills</li> <li>Good quality and quantity of results, presented clearly</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clear discussion of the advantages and limitations of the techniques used</li> <li>Good analysis of the results, including comparisons with relevant theoretical or experimental results</li> <li>Good treatment and discussion of errors and uncertainties</li> <li>Clear and justifiable conclusions</li> </ul>	<p>objectives of the work should have been clearly stated in the introduction</p> <p>good structure but could be bit more streamlined: e.g. results section contained some discussion (consider "results &amp; discussion" section)</p>
50-59%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Satisfactory spelling, punctuation and grammar</li> <li>Reasonably good writing style, but with some lapses into colloquialisms, inappropriate tense, mixture of writing styles</li> <li>Some descriptions and explanations are succinct, clear and precise, but some confusing/confused passages</li> <li>Satisfactory presentation, layout and formatting; structure mainly coherent and logical</li> <li>Satisfactory formatting of figures and/or tables, equations and references</li> <li>Satisfactory linkage of the text with figures, tables and equations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reasonable description of the project's objectives, its context and any applications of the work</li> <li>Reasonable description of physical background to the project</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student hasn't achieved quite as much as would normally be expected</li> <li>Evidence in report of reasonable computational skills</li> <li>Satisfactory quality and quantity of results</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reasonable discussion of the advantages and limitations of the techniques used</li> <li>Satisfactory analysis of the results</li> <li>Errors and uncertainties treated and discussed reasonably well</li> <li>Conclusions reasonably clear and justifiable</li> </ul>	<p>limitations of square lattice simulations?</p>
40-49%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Numerous misspellings, punctuation or grammatical errors</li> <li>Clumsy or inappropriate writing style, often lapsing into colloquialisms, inappropriate tense, mixture of writing styles</li> <li>Sloppy and confusing descriptions and explanations</li> <li>Passable presentation, layout and formatting; structure sometimes incoherent and confused</li> <li>Formatting of figures and/or tables, equations and references sometimes incorrect or incomplete</li> <li>Text links poorly with figures, tables and equations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Poor description of the project's objectives, its context and any applications of the work</li> <li>Poor description of physical background to the project</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student hasn't achieved as much as would normally be expected</li> <li>Weak computational skills</li> <li>Poor quality and quantity of results, or results presented poorly</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Little or no discussion of the advantages and limitations of the techniques used</li> <li>Weak analysis of the results</li> <li>Treatment of errors and uncertainties weak or flawed</li> <li>Weak, unclear or unjustifiable conclusions</li> </ul>	
<40%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Riddled with spelling, punctuation or grammatical errors</li> <li>Totally incoherent writing style, largely incomprehensible descriptions and explanations</li> <li>Shoddy layout, presentation and formatting; incoherent structure</li> <li>Missing or incorrect formatting of figures and/or tables, equations and references</li> <li>Very poor or missing linkage of the text with figures, tables and equations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Very weak description of the project's objectives, its context and any applications of the work</li> <li>Very weak description of physical background to the project</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student achieved very little throughout project</li> <li>Very weak computational skills</li> <li>Very poor quality and quantity of results, or results presented very poorly</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Little or no discussion of the advantages and limitations of the techniques used</li> <li>Very weak analysis of the results</li> <li>Treatment of errors and uncertainties weak, flawed or missing</li> <li>Very weak or missing conclusions</li> </ul>	
Comments					
Mark	21 out of 25	6 out of 10	35 out of 35	27 out of 30	

Total report mark out of 100:

Further comments: