

2022 - Environmental physics,

Q1) b) i). Earth's atmosphere has 5 layers.

- Troposphere
- Stratosphere
- Mesosphere
- Thermosphere
- exosphere (space)

ii). Ozone layer <sup>give</sup> many benefits for human sustainability.

- Ozone layer absorbs the unwanted and harmful Sun's UV radiations. (from skin cancer, weak immune system, etc.)
- Protection of marine life from UV radiation.
- Climate regulation.
- Reduce the damage to air quality.

iii). Oxygen photodissociation: in the stratosphere, high energy ultraviolet (UV-C) radiation from the Sun dissociates  $O_2$  into  $O$  atoms. This  $O$  will combine with another  $O_2$  molecules and create  $O_3$  (Ozone)



iv) Ozone photo-dissociation  $h\nu + O_3 \rightarrow O_2 + O$

Ozone and  $O$  atoms collisional dissociation  $O + O_3 \rightarrow 2O_2$

Q2) a) i). Continental plates :- Slightly dense, associated with Continental Crust  
Oceanic plates :- less dense, associated with Oceanic Crust.

ii).   
Convergence plate boundaries -  $oc-oc \rightarrow$  Subfloor spreading, volcan, shallow eq.   
Divergence plate boundaries -  $con-con \rightarrow$  Rift valley, Volcano, eq.   
Transform plate boundaries -  $oc-oc \rightarrow$  Subduction, volcan, deep eq.   
-  $oc-con \rightarrow$  Deep eq.   
-  $con-con \rightarrow$  Deep eq.   
-  $oc-oc \rightarrow$  eq.   
-  $con-con \rightarrow$  eq.

iii). Magnetic pattern on the ocean floor provides important evidence for plate tectonics. This evidence comes from studies of paleomagnetism, which is the study of the Earth's magnetic field recorded in rocks. Earth's magnetic field is not constant but has reversed its polarity numerous times throughout geological history. This is called as magnetic reversals.

magnetic reversal it help to identify magnetic reversals, sea floor spreading or Continental drifting and finally support the border theory of plate tectonics

b) i. Seismograph are instruments used to measure and record seismic waves, which is the vibration caused by earthquakes, volcanic activity, etc. the Seismograph main components are,

1). ~~Seis~~ Seismic Sensor - The Core Component of Seismograph is Seismic Sensor and it is typically pendulum or a mass-spring system

2). Recording Mechanism - Seismograph has a recording mechanism to capture the motion detected by the sensor and store them in paper or digitally.

Operation :- Sensing vertical and horizontal ground motion,  $\rightarrow$  translating it into signals, amplifying and filtering, Recording the data. Finally analyzing for future uses.

ii) the primary waves travels faster than secondary waves. so,  
Speed of p wave =  $V_p$  ; Speed of s wave =  $V_s$  ; time =  $t$ , distance =  $d$

$$V_p t = d$$

$$V_p \times t = d$$

$$V_s \times (t + \Delta t) = d$$

$$V_s \left( \frac{d}{V_p} + \Delta t \right) = d$$

$$\frac{V_s d}{V_p} + V_s \times \Delta t = d$$

$$d \left( 1 - \frac{V_s}{V_p} \right) = V_s \times \Delta t$$

$$d = \left( \frac{V_s \times \Delta t}{1 - \frac{V_s}{V_p}} \right)$$

iii) to find epicenter we need atleast 3 seismograph places then take distances from each of 3 seismograph places and find the epicenter using Circle method of point finding.





Q2) i).  $E = \frac{1}{2} \rho g \Delta L a^2$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 1000 \times 10 \times 190 \times 10^3 \times 1200 \times 10^3 \times 5^2$$

$$= 0.19 \text{ J}$$

ii)  $v = \sqrt{gh}$

$$= \sqrt{10 \times 3963}$$

$$= 200 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

Q3) Renewable energy sources :- ~~the~~ energy sources replenish itself at the rate it is used.

• Solar power, wind power, Geothermal and <sup>renewable</sup> bio ~~energy~~ energy

Non-Renewable energy sources :- energy sources which has limited supply or can be finish due to using speed is higher than creating speed.

• Coal, natural gas, Fossil fuel,

b). OTEC - Ocean thermal energy Conversion.

this is a system of ~~energy~~ electricity generation using the heat difference of warm ~~surface~~ water and cold deep ocean water. this is renewable clean energy and the process release ~~the~~ clean fresh water as a byproduct.

c) there are 3 main types of solar panels commonly used for harnessing solar energy;

1) Monocrystalline Solar panels

2) Polycrystalline Solar ~~panels~~ panels

3) Thin-film Solar panels.

\* efficiency - (01) 15-22%, (02) 13-17%, (03) 07-13%

(01) > (02) > (03)

\* Base panel - (02) from multiple Silicon fragments melted, (01) using single crystal structure of high purity crystals. (03) using thin-layer of semiconductor

Appearance :- (1) uniform black/dark blue color with streak and uniform look  
 (2) has a distinctive look with speckled or marbled blue color  
 (3) thin film has flexible and lightweight design with uniform dark color.

Temperature :- (1) lower

Coefficient (2) slightly higher than (1),

(3) higher

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↓ Avg. Solar radiation =  $200 \text{ W m}^{-2}$  day and night.

85% of roof covered with 10% efficiency panel.

Need to produce 6000 kWh. ? Area of roof.  
 per day.

~~6000 kWh~~ equals to,

$$6000 \text{ kWh/day} = 6 \times 10^6 \text{ Wh/day.}$$

Total Solar energy = Avg Solar radiation  $\times$  Area  $\times$  efficiency.

$$6 \times 10^6 \text{ Wh/day} = 200 \text{ W m}^{-2} \times A \times \frac{85}{100} \times \frac{10}{100}$$

$$\frac{6 \times 10^6 \times 100}{85 \times 1} = A$$

$$A = \frac{30}{85} \times 10^6 \text{ m}^2$$

04). a). Sound level - the measurement of the intensity or loudness of a sound. typically measure using dB as unit.  
 this is logarithmic scale.

Harmonics - Harmonics are additional frequencies that are integer multiples of the fundamental frequency of sound. Harmonics also known as overtones.  
 fundamental frequency =  $f$ , Harmonics =  $2f, 3f, 4f, \dots$



Q1) 2) 3) Partials :- partials are individual frequency components that make up a complex sound wave. It includes both fundamental and harmonics.

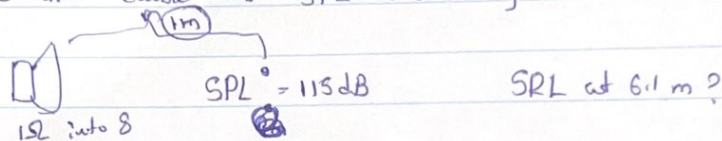
D. Octaves :- Octaves has more than two frequencies in which higher frequency has twice the value of the lower frequency.

$$\frac{f_1}{f_2} = 2^n ; n = \text{Octave number}$$

B)  $f_n = (2^{n/3}) \times 440 \text{ Hz}$   
 $f_n \approx 562 \text{ Hz}$

C)  $20 \log(2) = 6 \text{ dB}$

distance double  $\rightarrow$  SPL decrease by 2



$$I_1 = \frac{P}{4\pi(1)^2} \quad I_2 = \frac{P}{4\pi(6.1)^2}$$

$$\frac{I_1}{I_2} = \left(\frac{6.1}{1}\right)^2$$

$$L_1 = 20 \log_{10}(6.1) = 15.7 \quad \leftarrow \quad L = 20 \log_{10}(a_1/a_2)$$

i)  $SPL = 115 \text{ dB} - 15.7 \text{ dB} = 99.3 \text{ dB}$

ii)  $PWL = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{W}{W_{ref}} \right) = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{0.22}{1} \right) = 6.6 \text{ dB}$

$\underline{P_2} = 115 - 6.6 = 108.4 \text{ dB}$

iii)  $d = 1130 \text{ ft} \cdot s^{-1} \times 0.1058 = 118.7 \text{ ft}$

iv)  $SPL = L - 20 \log_{10}$

$20 \log_{10}(84/1) = 38.5 \text{ dB} \quad \therefore \quad 55 = L - 38.5 \text{ dB}$

$L = \text{SPL at distance} \rightarrow L = 93.5 \text{ dB}$

reflection =  $L' \rightarrow L' = 93.5 \text{ dB} - 20 \log_{10} \left( \frac{118.7}{1} \right) = 93.5 - 41.5 = 52 \text{ dB}$

Also

$$\text{Q. 11) delay} = \frac{(118.7 - 84) \text{ ft}}{1130 \text{ ft/s}}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{30.7 \text{ ms}}}$$