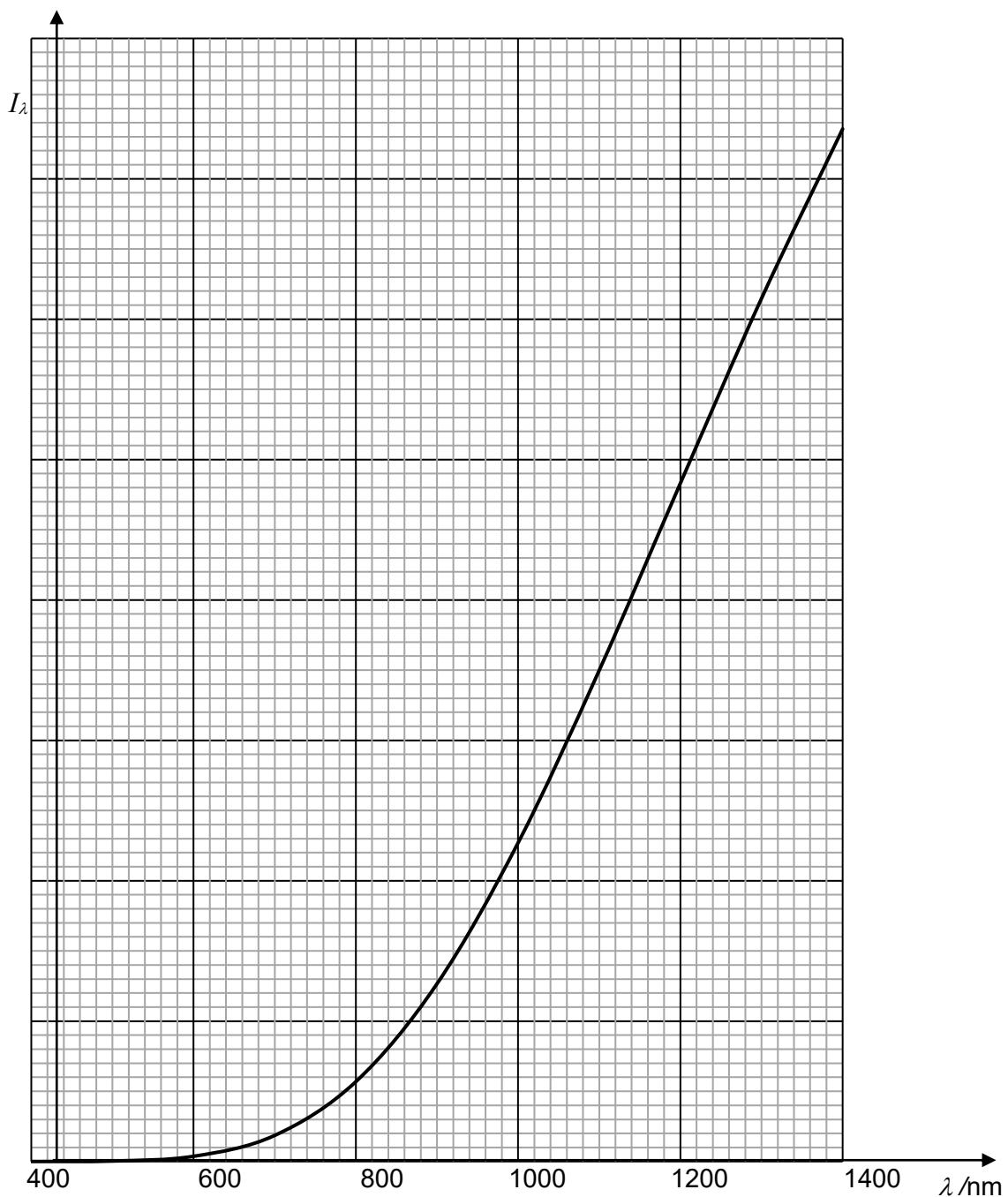


- 7 An object that is at a higher temperature than its surroundings loses thermal energy by emitting electromagnetic radiation. Fig. 7.1 shows the variation with wavelength  $\lambda$  from 400 nm to 1400 nm, of the intensity  $I_\lambda$  of the radiation emitted by an object at 1100 K.



**Fig. 7.1**

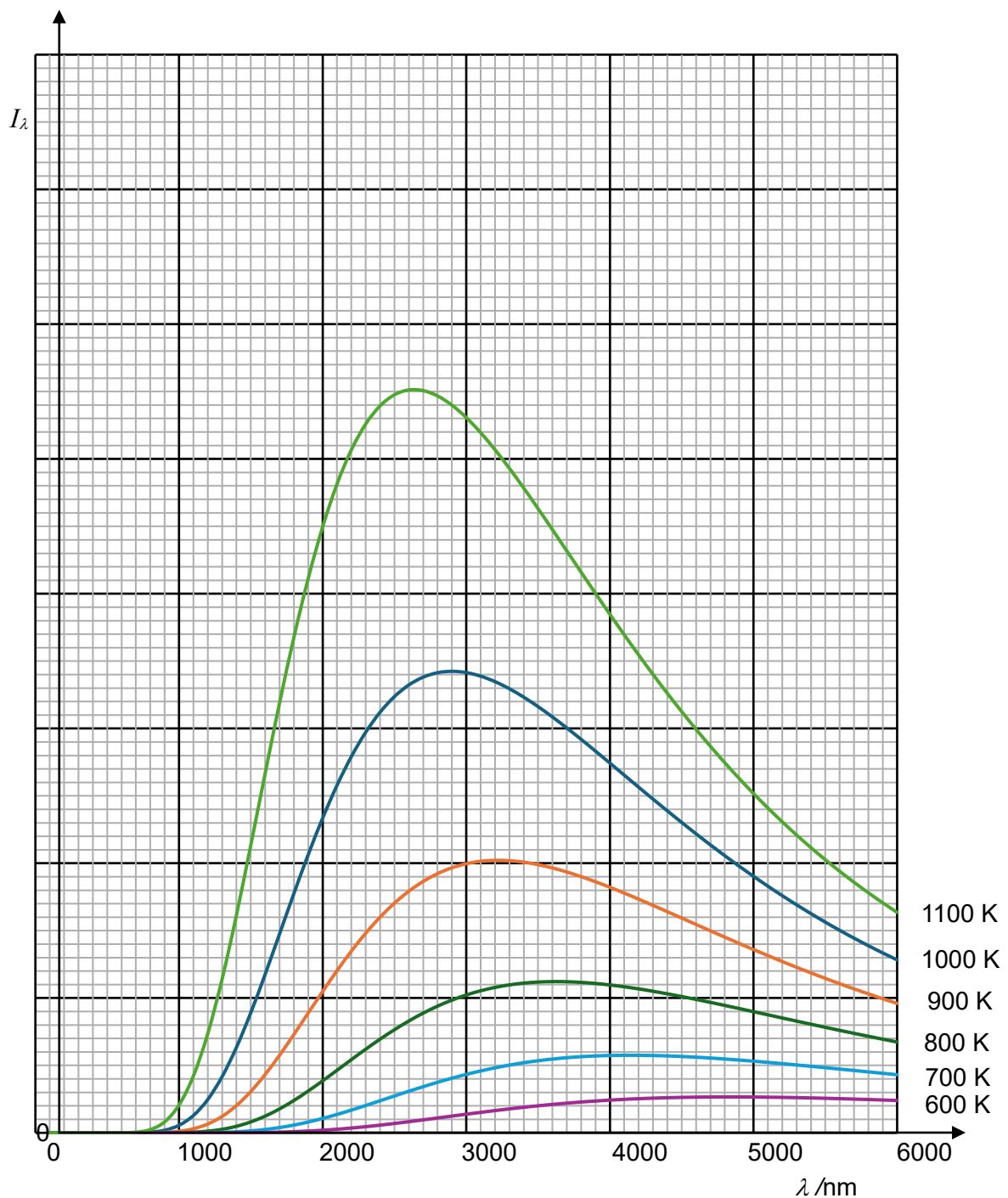
- (a) On the horizontal axis of Fig. 7.1, indicate with a cross a wavelength that is in the visible region of the electromagnetic spectrum.

[1]

- (b) Hence suggest why, at a temperature of 1100 K, the object would glow with a red colour.

[2]

The distribution of intensity is different at different temperatures. This is illustrated in Fig. 7.2, which covers a larger range of wavelengths from 0 to 6000 nm.



**Fig. 7.2**

- (c) At any temperature  $T$ , the graphs in Fig. 7.2 show a peak intensity corresponding to a wavelength  $\lambda_{\max}$ . In addition, the total intensity  $I_{\text{tot}}$  of the emitted radiation at each temperature is given by the area under the graph. Data for  $T$  and the corresponding values of  $\lambda_{\max}$  and  $I_{\text{tot}}$  are shown in Fig. 7.3.

$T/\text{K}$	$\lambda_{\max}/\text{nm}$	$I_{\text{tot}}/\text{W m}^{-2}$
600	4830	14.2
700	4140	26.0
800	3610	45.1
900	3210	69.4
1000	2900	100
1100	2630	160

**Fig. 7.3**

- (i) Without drawing a graph, show that

$$T \times \lambda_{\max} = \text{constant},$$

and determine the numerical value of the constant in metre kelvin (m K).

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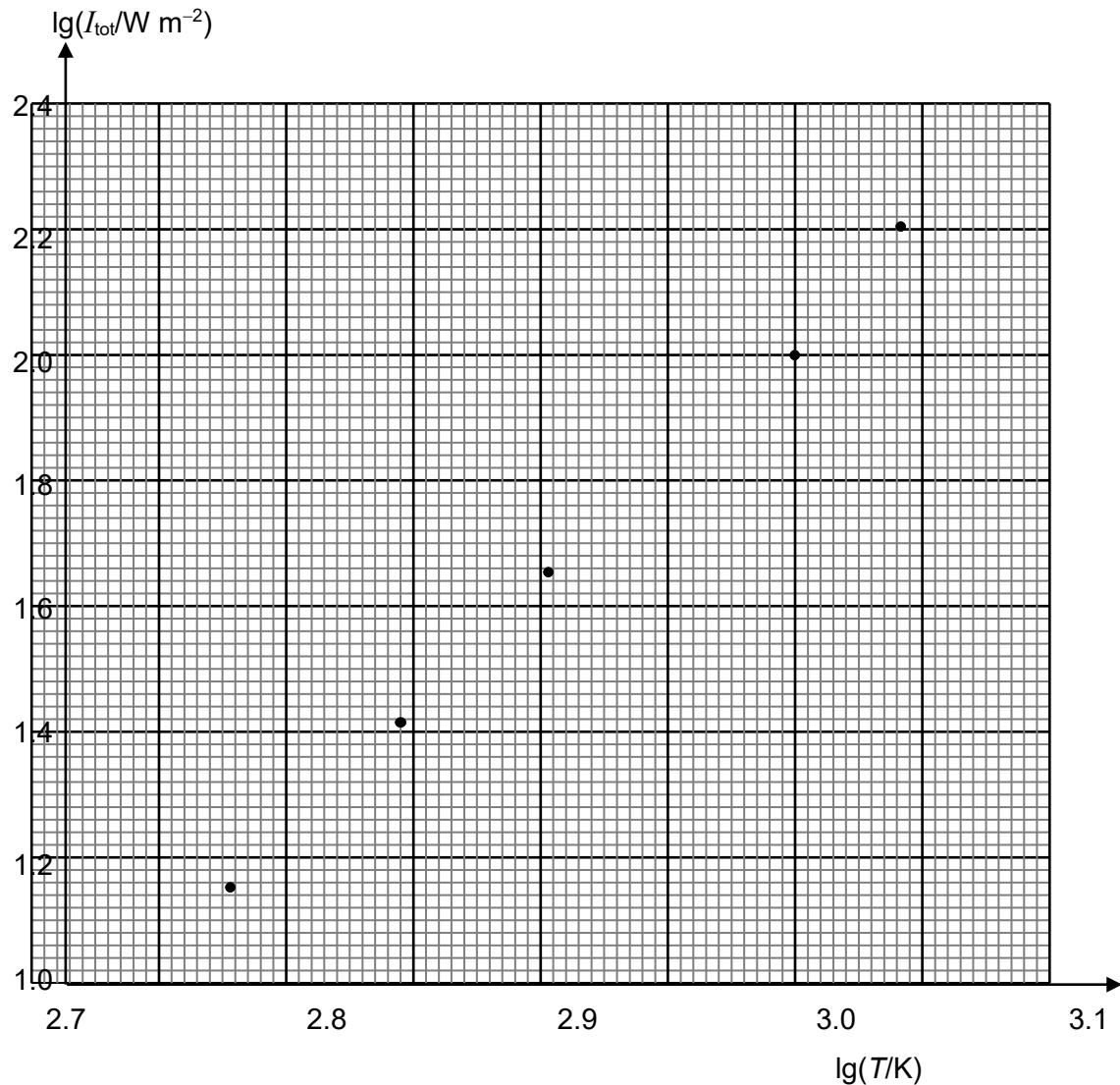
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$$\text{constant} = \dots \text{ m K} \quad [3]$$

- (ii) Hence determine  $\lambda_{\max}$  at a temperature  $T$  of 1200 K.

$$\lambda_{\max} = \dots \text{ m} \quad [2]$$

- (d) Fig. 7.4 shows the values of  $\lg(I_{\text{tot}}/\text{W m}^{-2})$  plotted against the corresponding values of  $\lg(T/\text{K})$ .



**Fig. 7.4**

Use the values in Fig. 7.3 to determine  $\lg(I_{\text{tot}}/\text{W m}^{-2})$  for a temperature of 900 K.

- (i) On Fig. 7.4, plot the point corresponding to  $T = 900 \text{ K}$  [1]  
(ii) Draw the line of best fit for the points. [1]

- (e) It is known that  $I_{\text{tot}}$  varies with  $T$  according to the relation

$$I_{\text{tot}} = cT^n$$

where  $c$  and  $n$  are constants.

- (i) Use the line drawn to determine a value for  $n$ .

$$n = \dots \quad [3]$$

- (ii) By using the values in Fig. 7.3 for  $T = 900$  K, determine  $I_{\text{tot}}$  for the object at 1200 K.

$$I_{\text{tot}} = \dots \text{ W m}^{-2} \quad [2]$$

- (f) Using your answer to (c)(ii), sketch on Fig. 7.2, the variation with wavelength  $\lambda$  of intensity  $I_\lambda$  for a temperature of 1200 K.

[3]

- (g) The radiation emitted by a hot body may be used as a means of determining the temperature of the body. Suggest and explain a property of the radiation that could be used for this purpose.

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