

- 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 λ from 400 nm to 1400 nm, of the intensity I_λ of the radiation emitted by an object at 1100 K.

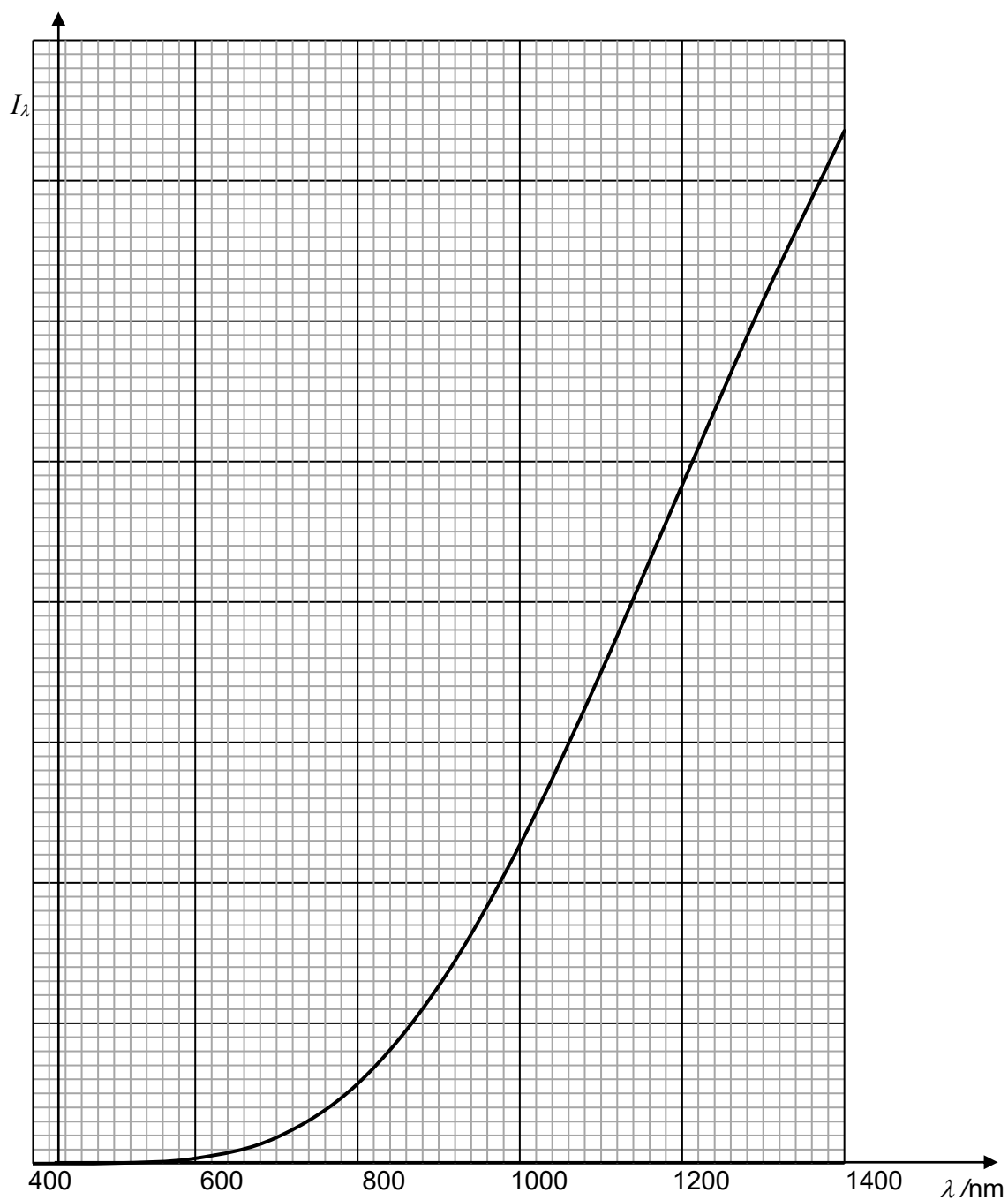


Fig. 7.1

- (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.

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

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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.

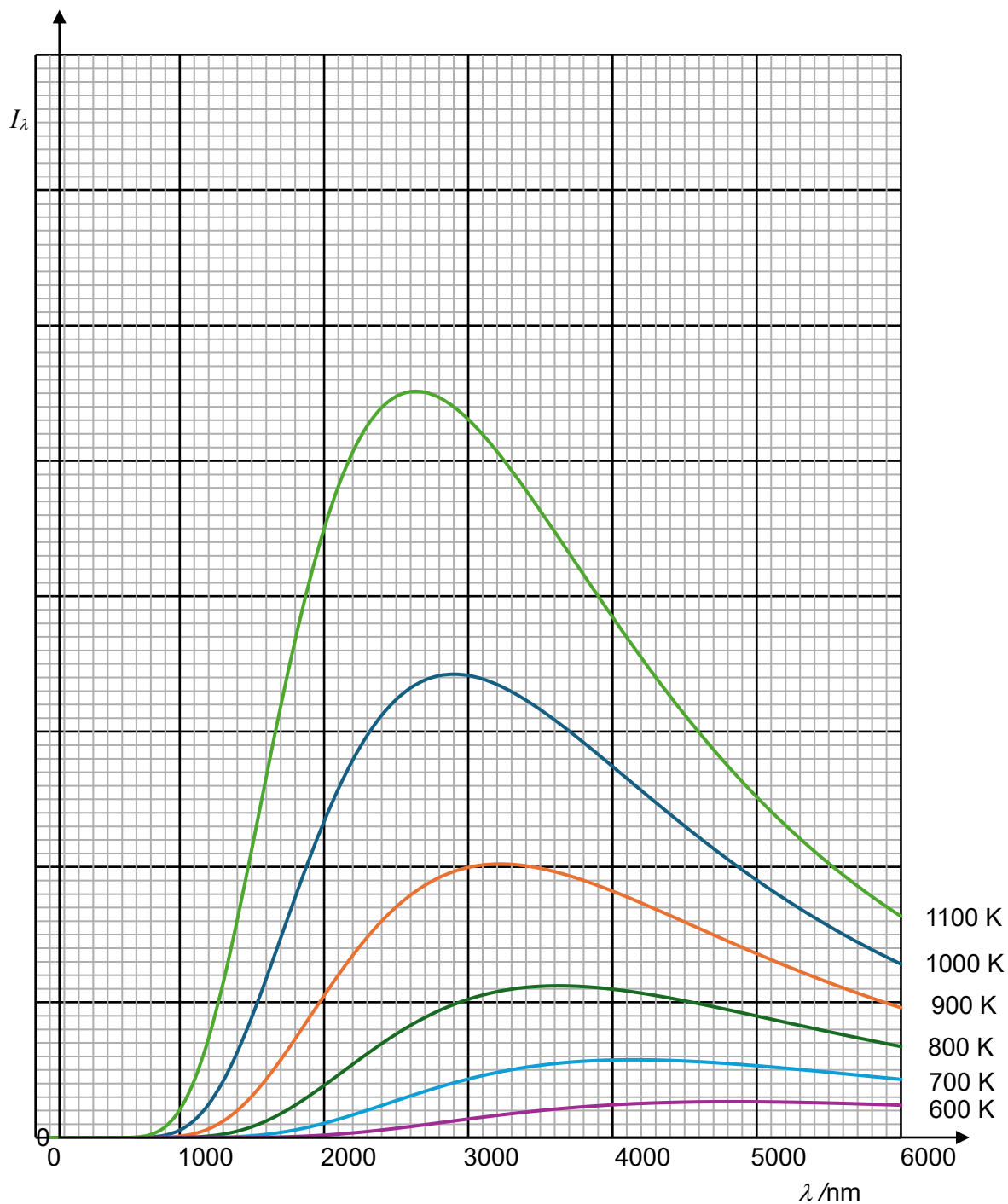


Fig. 7.2

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

T/K	$\lambda_{\text{max}}/\text{nm}$	$I_{\text{tot}}/\text{W m}^{-2}$
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

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

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

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constant = m K [3]

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

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

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

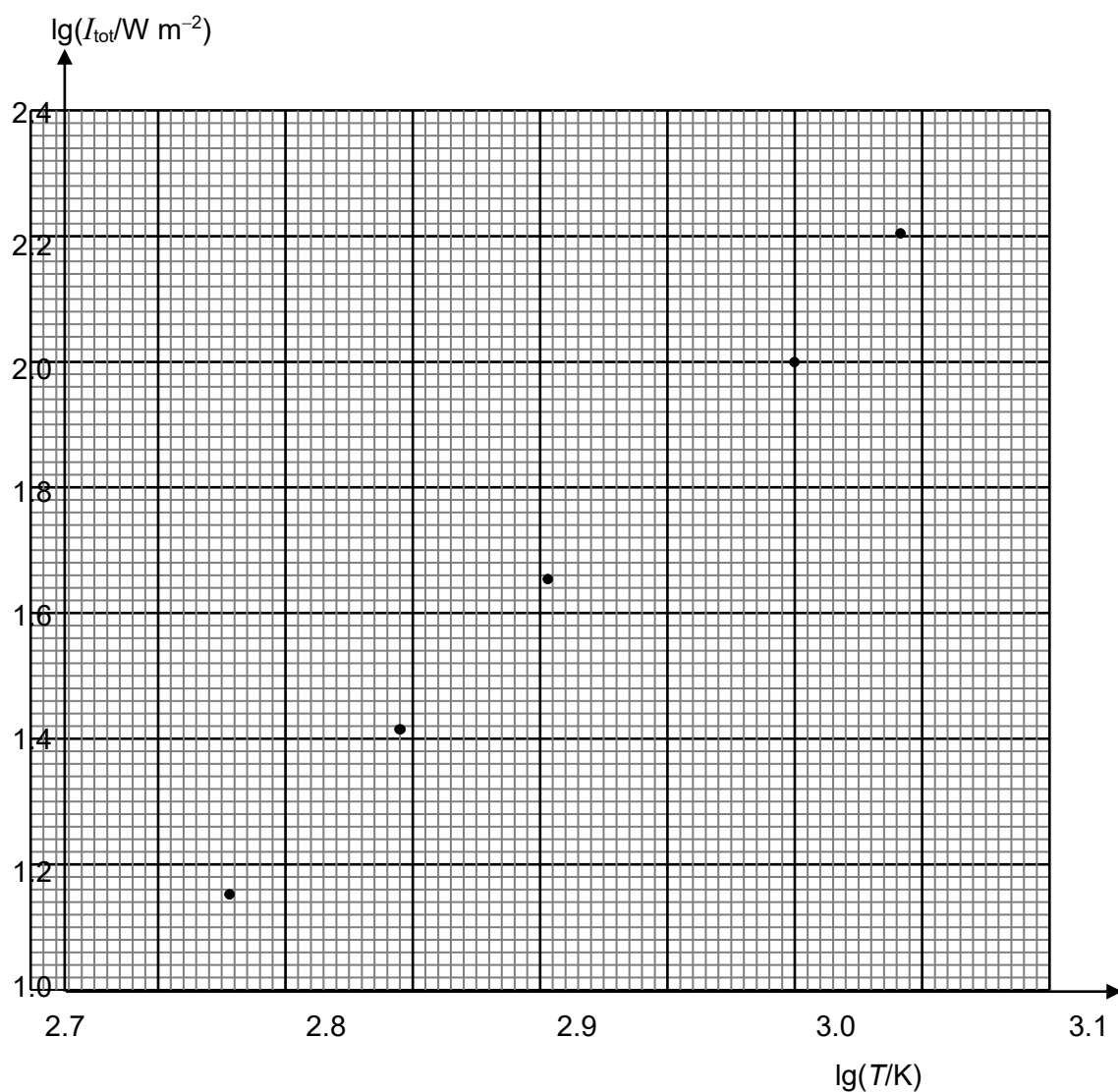


Fig. 7.4

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_{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 .

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

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

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

- (f) Using your answer to (c)(ii), sketch on Fig. 7.2, the variation with wavelength λ of intensity I_λ 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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