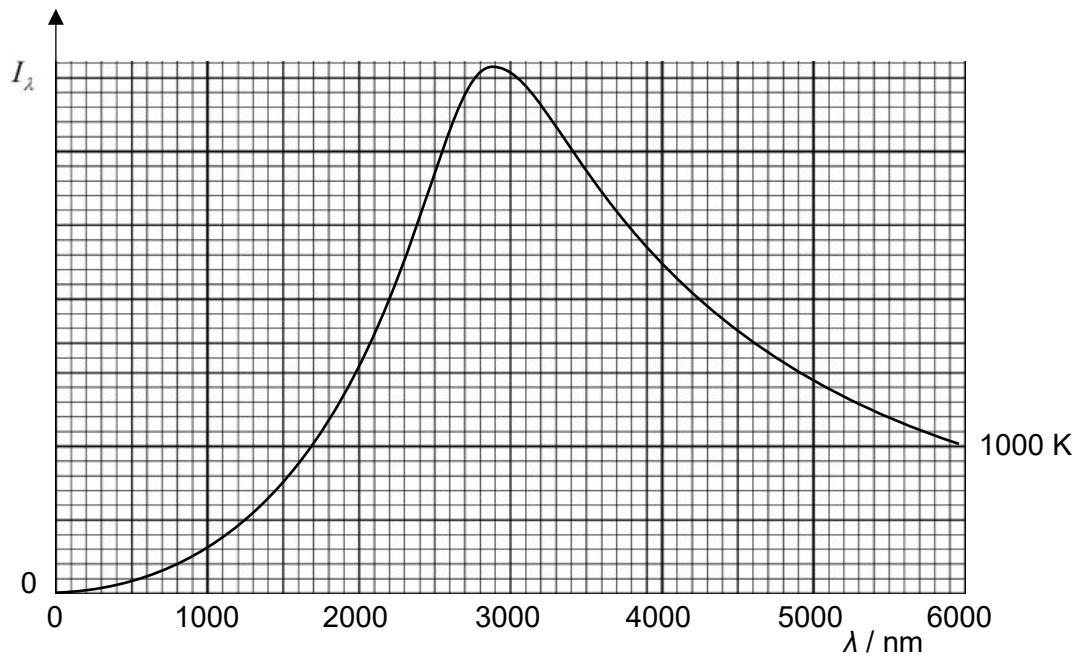


- 8 An object that is at a higher temperature than its surroundings loses thermal energy by emitting electromagnetic radiation.

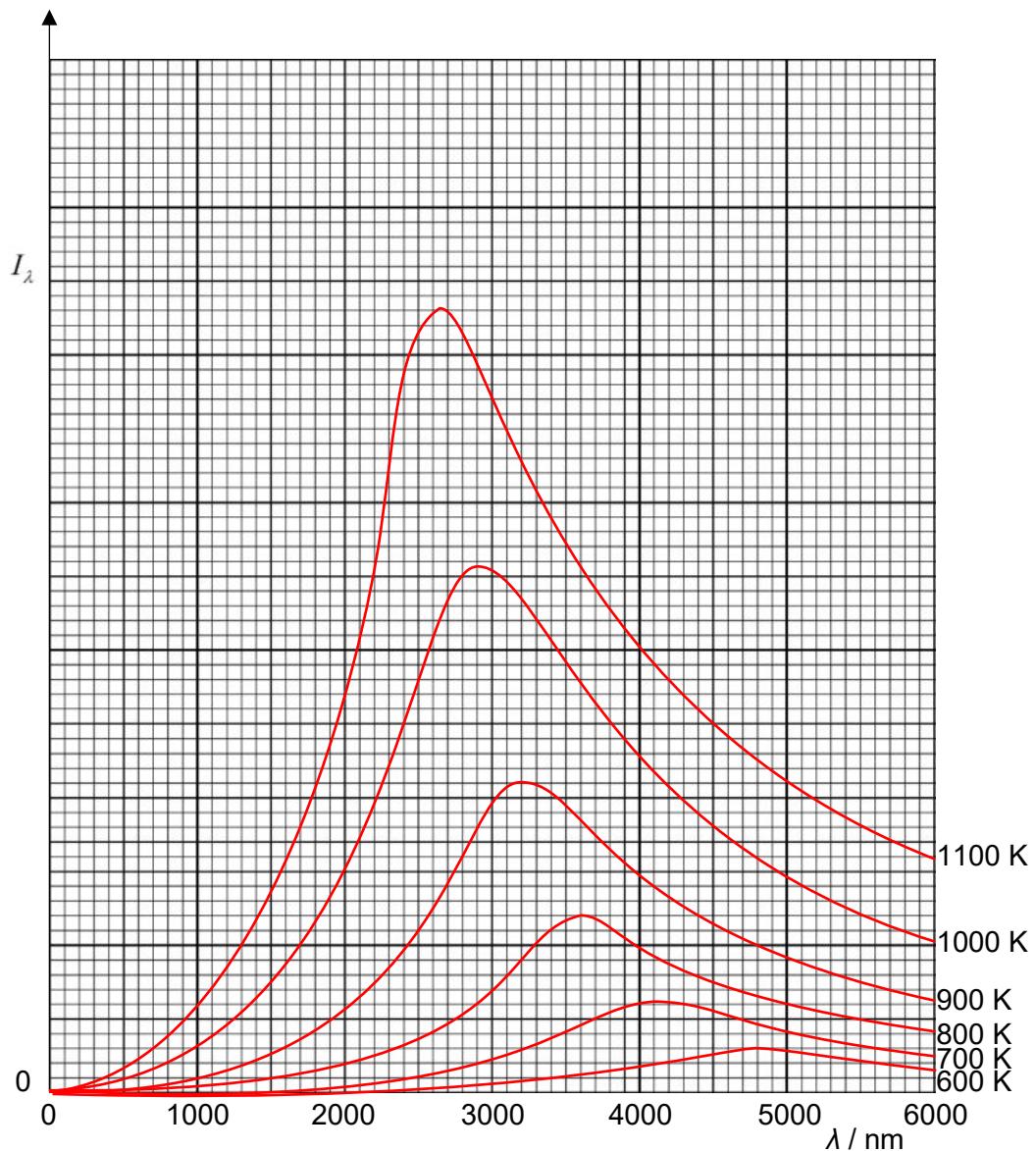
For loss of thermal energy as electromagnetic radiation, the intensity  $I_\lambda$  of the emitted radiation of wavelength  $\lambda$  varies with wavelength  $\lambda$  as shown in Fig. 8.1.



**Fig. 8.1**

Fig. 8.1 shows the variation of  $I_\lambda$  with  $\lambda$  for the body when it is at 1000 K.

The distribution of intensity is different at different temperatures. This is illustrated in Fig. 8.2.



**Fig. 8.2**

- (a) (i) On the horizontal axis of Fig. 8.2, indicate with the letter V a wavelength that is in the visible region of the electromagnetic spectrum. [1]
- (ii) Hence suggest why, at a temperature of 1100K, the object would glow with a red colour.

[1]

- (b) At any temperature  $T$ , the graph of Fig. 8.2 shows a peak corresponding to a wavelength  $\lambda_{\max}$  and an intensity  $I_{\max}$ . Data for  $T$  and  $\lambda_{\max}$  are shown in Table 8.3.

**Table 8.3**

$T / K$	$\lambda_{\max} / \text{nm}$
600	4830
700	4140
800	3610
900	3210
1000	2900
1100	2630

- (i) Without drawing a graph, show that

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

and determine the constant.

constant = ..... [3]

- (ii) Hence, determine the wavelength for the maximum intensity at a temperature  $T$  of 1200 K.

wavelength = ..... m [2]

- (c) The total intensity of emitted radiation from a particular body at temperature  $T$  is  $I_{\text{tot}}$ . Fig. 8.4 shows the values of  $\lg(T/K)$  plotted against the corresponding values of  $\lg(I_{\text{tot}}/\text{W m}^{-2})$ .

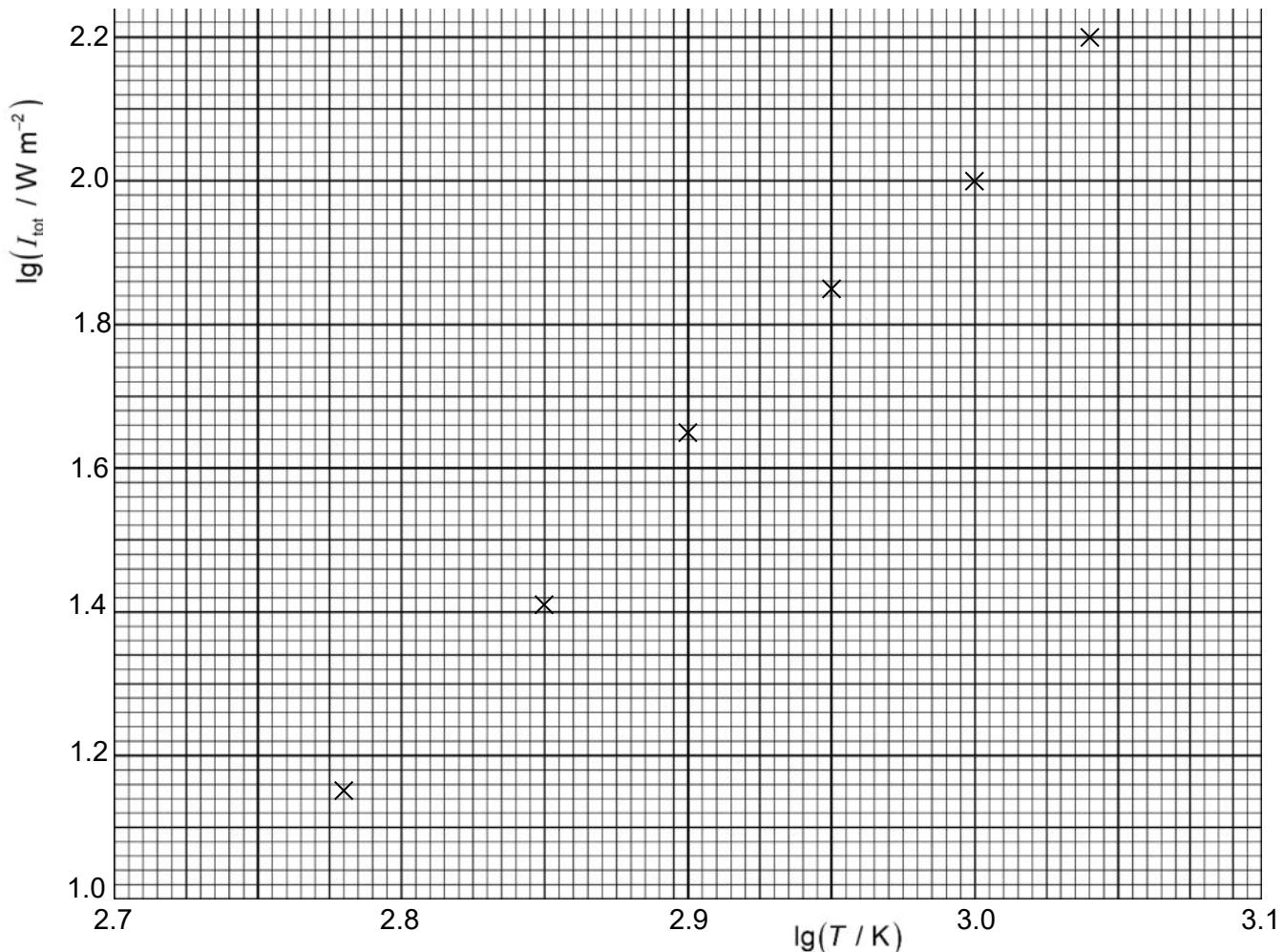


Fig. 8.4

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 Fig. 8.4 to determine a value for  $n$ .

$$n = \dots [3]$$

- (ii) For this body at  $T = 900\text{ K}$ ,  $I_{\text{tot}}$  is found to be  $71\text{ W m}^{-2}$ .

Use these data and your answer to (c)(i) to determine  $I_{\text{tot}}$  for the body at a temperature of  $1200\text{ K}$ .

$$I_{\text{tot}} = \dots \text{W m}^{-2} \quad [3]$$

- (d) Using your answer to (b)(ii), sketch on Fig. 8.2, the variation with wavelength  $\lambda$  of intensity  $I_\lambda$  for a temperature of  $1200\text{ K}$ . [3]

- (e) The radiation emitted by a hot body may be used as a means of determining the temperature of the body.

- (i) Suggest and explain a property of the radiation that could be used for this purpose.

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[2]

- (ii) Suggest one advantage and one disadvantage of this method for measuring temperature.

advantage: 

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disadvantage: 

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[2]

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