

## Measurements and Their Errors:

- Metric Prefixes: You are expected to know how to convert between metric prefixes into SI unit standards, such as converting mA or Milli-Amps ( $10^{-3}$ ) into regular Amps.

peta	P	$1 \times 10^{15}$	quadrillion
tera	T	$1 \times 10^{12}$	trillion
giga	G	$1 \times 10^9$	billion
mega	M	$1 \times 10^6$	million
kilo	k	$1 \times 10^3$	thousand
hecto	h	$1 \times 10^2$	hundred
deka	da	$1 \times 10^1$	ten
Factor of One	*****	$1 \times 10^0$	one
deci	d	$1 \times 10^{-1}$	tenth
centi	c	$1 \times 10^{-2}$	hundredth
milli	m	$1 \times 10^{-3}$	thousandth
micro	u	$1 \times 10^{-6}$	millionth
nano	n	$1 \times 10^{-9}$	billionth
pico	p	$1 \times 10^{-12}$	trillionth
femto	f	$1 \times 10^{-15}$	quadrillionth

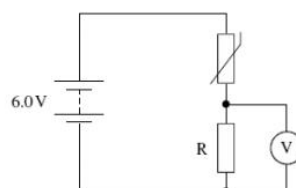
Some examples where knowing this skill matters:

- (iii) The slit spacing was 0.56 mm. The distance across 4 fringe spacings was 3.6 mm when the screen was at a distance of 0.80 m from the slits. Calculate the wavelength of the red light.

$$3.6\text{mm} \Rightarrow 3.6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ metres} = w$$

$$0.56\text{mm} \Rightarrow 0.56 \times 10^{-3} \text{ metres} = s$$

- (b) The diagram below shows a thermistor connected in series with a resistor, R, and battery of emf 6.0 V and negligible internal resistance.



When the temperature is 50 °C the resistance of the thermistor is 1.2 kΩ. The voltmeter connected across R reads 1.6V.

$$1.2\text{k}\Omega \Rightarrow 1.2 \times 10^3 \Omega$$

- Calculating Averages: You are expected to know how to calculate an average:  
(Sum of Results / Number of measurements taken)

- Calculating Uncertainties:

- Uncertainty =  $\text{Range} / 2 = (\text{Largest value} - \text{Lowest value}) / 2$
- Percentage uncertainty =  $(\text{Uncertainty} / \text{value of measurement}) \times 100$
- Fractional uncertainty =  $(\text{Uncertainty} / \text{value of measurement})$

## Particles Physics:

- Specific Charge: You are not given the formula to calculate the specific charge, you have to remember this!

$$\text{Specific Charge} = \frac{\text{Charge}}{\text{Mass}}$$

- Relative Charge and Mass of the particle: You are not given the relative charge and mass of particles!

Particle	Relative Charge	Relative Mass	Charge (C)	Mass (kg)
Proton	+1	1	$+1.6 \times 10^{-19}$	$1.67 \times 10^{-27}$
Neutron	0	1	0	$1.67 \times 10^{-27}$
Electron	-1	0.0005	$-1.6 \times 10^{-19}$	$9.11 \times 10^{-31}$

- Minimum energy required for pair production and annihilation: You need to remember this

Pair Production:  $\text{Energy}_{\min} = 2 \times E_{\text{rest}}$

Annihilation:  $\text{Energy}_{\min} = E_{\text{rest}}$

- Baryon Numbers for the particles: You need to remember this!



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## Quantum Phenomena:

- Stopping Potential: Work done required for a photon to lose energy  
 $eV_s = E_{K(MAX)}$

## Waves:

- Diffraction Grating equation: Technically you don't need to know it, but just to be sure – remember it!  
 $d\sin\theta = n\lambda$

## Mechanics and Materials:

*It seems you're given everything, even impulse (Note: This is on the new formula sheet for the new spec, [click here](#) for a copy)*

## Electricity:

- Energy used in a certain amount of time: Really simple to remember, so don't forget it!  
Power x Time = Energy  
...where "Power" is in Watts, "Time" is in seconds & "Energy" is in Joules.
- Potential Divider Voltage Calculations: You don't really need to remember it since you can derive it but well, if you insist?  
 $V_{out} = (V_{in} \times R_2) / (R_1 + R_2)$

## Advice from Umut:

They pretty much give you everything else on the formula sheet, even how to calculate the area of a circle. So there's no reason why you shouldn't get a good grade! Good Luck!