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A	1-12	25	
B	13	10	
	14	10	
	15	12	
	16	14	
	17	9	
		GRAND TOTAL	80 MARKS

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5. State one advantage of an alkaline cell over a lead-acid cell. (1mk)

6. A cube of ice rests on a bimetallic strip at room temperature. The strip is made of brass and iron

Sketch to show the shape of the bimetallic strip. (1mk)

7. Fig 2 below represents a pin-hole camera

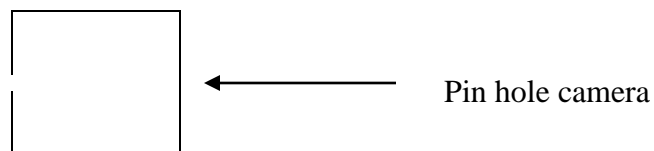


Fig 2

Sketch rays to show the formation of an enlarged image in the camera. Label both the object and the image (2mks)

8. Fig 3 below shows a pulley used to raise a load of 100N

(a) What is the velocity ratio of the system? (1mk)

(b) Determine the mechanical advantage (1mk)

9. Fig 4 below shows a solid cylinder standing on a horizontal surface. The cylinder is in stable equilibrium  
Cylinder Surface Fig 4

Sketch on the space provided the cylinder in neutral equilibrium (1mk)

10. The fig 5 below shows a manometer attached to a gas supply. If the atmospheric pressure is 103360pa, calculate the pressure of the gas supply. (Density of mercury = 13600Kg/m<sup>3</sup>, g = 10N/kg) (4mks)
11. Dust particles in still air appear to move randomly. Explain its cause. (1mk)
12. A pipe of radius 2mm is connected to another pipe of radius 6mm. If water flows in the narrower pipe at a speed of 3m/s, what is the speed in the wider pipe. (3mks)

**SECTION B (55 MARKS)**

13. (a) What basic physical quantity can be measured using a simple pendulum. (1mk)

(b) The figure below shows a tape made from a ticker tape timer. The frequency of the ticker timer was 100Hz.

Find

(i) The time taken for one tick interval. (1mk)

(ii) Velocities between points AB and DE (3mks)

(iii) Acceleration of the body from point A to E (2mks)

(c) A girl dropped a stone from the top of a tower 45m tall and a boy projected another stone vertically upwards at 25m/s at the same time. Determine the time taken for the two stones to meet (3mks)

14. (a) Study the circuit in fig 9 below and use it to answer the questions that follow  
I<sub>2</sub> I<sub>1</sub> I 4V

Find

(a) The effective resistance (4mks)

(b) The ammeter reading (3mks)

(c) The current through 4Ω resistor

15. (a) Using kinetic theory of gases explain how a decrease in volume of a gas causes arise in pressure of the gas, if the temperature is kept constant. (3mks)

(b) The figure below shows a set up that may be used to verify Boyle's law  
Pressure gauge Burette A Trapped air Burette B

(i) State the measurements that should be taken in the experiment. (2mks)

(ii) How would you ensure that the temperature of the trapped air is kept constant during the experiment (1mk)

(iii) Explain how the measurements taken in (i) above may be used to verify Boyle's law (3mks)

(c) A narrow glass tube sealed at one end contains air trapped by a thread of mercury 10cm long. When horizontal the air column is 25cm long. Calculate its length when the tube is vertical with the open end upper most, if the atmospheric pressure is 76cm of mercury (3mks)



16. (a) Define the term heat capacity.

(1mk)

(b) You are provided with apparatus shown in Fig 11 and a stop watch  
Lagged calorimeter

Describe an experiment to determine the specific latent heat of steam,  $L$ , using the set up. In your answer clearly explain the measurements to be made and how these measurements could be used to determine,  $L$ , (6mks)

(c) A block metal of mass 150g is dropped into a lagged calorimeter of heat capacity  $40\text{Jk}^{-1}$  containing 100g of water at  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The temperature of the resulting mixture is  $34^{\circ}\text{C}$  (specific heat capacity of water =  $4200\text{Jkg}^{-1}$ )

Determine

(i) Heat gained by the calorimeter

(2mks)

(ii) Heat gained by water (1mk)

(iii) Heat lost by metal block (1mk)

(iv) Specific heat capacity of the metal block (3mks)

17. (a) Define  
(i) Pressure (1mk)

(ii) Upthrust (1mk)

(b) A solid metal block of cross-sectional area  $4\text{cm}^2$  and density  $2500\text{kg/m}^3$  is fully immersed in water supported by a thread which is attached to a spring balance as shown in the diagram.  
Water Area =  $4\text{cm}^2$  12cm

(i) Calculate the force due to the liquid on the top face of the block.

(4mks)

(ii) If the upward force acting on the bottom face is 1.5N. Calculate the volume of the block.

(3mks)

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**SECTION A (25 MARKS)**

1. Volume of drop = volume of patch  
$$\frac{4\pi r^3}{3} = \pi r^2 h \sqrt{1}$$
$$\frac{4\pi}{3} \times (0.15)^3 = \pi \times 70^2 \times h \sqrt{1}$$
$$h = 9.18 \times 10^7 \text{ mm} \sqrt{1}$$
2. Latent heat of fusion: Amount of heat absorbed to change the state of a material from solid state to liquid without temperature change.  $\sqrt{1}$   
Specific latent heat of fusion: Amount of heat absorbed to melt a unit mass of a substance without change in temperature.  $\sqrt{1}$
3. Plasticine increases the mass of the body leading to decrease in velocity.  $\sqrt{1}$
4.  $W = 2\pi f \sqrt{1}$ 
$$= 2 \times 3.142 \times 2.5$$
$$= 15.71 \text{ rad/s} \sqrt{1}$$
$$T = mw^2 r \sqrt{1}$$
$$= 8 \times 15.71^2 \times 0.8$$
$$= 1579.5 \text{ N} \sqrt{1}$$
5. Alkaline cells last longer than lead acid cells  $\sqrt{1}$   
Or  
Alkaline cells remain uncharged for longer periods than lead acid  $\sqrt{1}$   
Or  
Alkaline cells can withstand rough handling compared to lead-acid cells  $\sqrt{1}$       Shape  $\sqrt{1}$
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7. Object Two rays Images

8. (a)  $VR = 1$

(b)  $MA = \frac{L}{E}$   
 $= \frac{100}{100}$   
 $= 1$

9. Cylinder in a horizontal position

10.  $P = h\delta g + \text{Atmospheric pressure}$   
 $= 0.5 \times 13600 \times 10 + 103360$   
 $= 171360 \text{ N/M}^2$

11. Dust particles are hit by air molecules which are in random motion.

12.  $A_1V_1 = A_2V_2$   
 $\pi \times 2^2 \times 3 = \pi \times 6^2 \times V_2$   
 $V_2 = \frac{\pi \times 2^2 \times 3}{\pi \times 6^2}$   
 $= 0.3333 \text{ m/s}$

### SECTION B (55 MARKS)

13. (a) Time

(b) (i)  $T = \frac{1}{f}$   
 $= \frac{1}{100} = 0.01 \text{ sec}$

(ii) Between AB,  $V = \frac{\text{Displacement}}{\text{time}} = \frac{2\text{cm}}{0.01 \text{ s}} = 200\text{cm/s}$   
DE,  $V = \frac{\text{displacement}}{\text{time}} = \frac{10\text{cm}}{0.01 \text{ s}} = 1000\text{cm/s}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii) Acceleration} &= \frac{V - U}{t} = \frac{(1000 - 200) \text{ cm}}{(0.01 \times 4) \text{ s}} = \frac{800 \sqrt{1}}{0.04} \\ &= 20,000 \text{ cm/s} \\ &= 200 \text{ m/s} \cdot \sqrt{1} \end{aligned}$$

<p>(c) Eqn 1 Dropping  <math>S_d = ut + \frac{1}{2}gt^2</math> <math>u = 0</math></p> <p><math>S_d = \frac{1}{2}gt^2 \sqrt{1}</math></p> <p>but <math>S_d + D_n = 45 \text{ m}</math>  <math>\therefore 45 = \frac{1}{2}gt^2 + 25t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2</math>  <math>25t = 45</math>  <math>t = 1.85 \text{ seconds}</math></p>	<p>Eqn 2 upwards  <math>S_u = ut - \frac{1}{2}gt^2</math></p> <p><math>S_u = 25t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2</math></p> <p><math>u = 25 \sqrt{1}</math></p>
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14. (a) Effective resistance

$$\begin{aligned} 4 + 1 &= 5\Omega \sqrt{1} \\ 2 + 3 &= 5\Omega \sqrt{1} \\ \frac{5 \times 5}{5 + 5} &= 2.5\Omega \sqrt{1} \\ 2.5 + 5.5 &= 8\Omega \sqrt{1} \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $V = IR \sqrt{1}$   
 $4 = 1 \times 8 \sqrt{1}$   
 $I = \frac{4}{8} = 0.5 \text{ A} \sqrt{1}$

(c)  $I = I_1 + I_2 \sqrt{1}$   
 $I_2 = I_1 \sqrt{1}$        $I_2 = \frac{0.5 \text{ A}}{2} = 0.25 \text{ A} \sqrt{1}$   
 $I = 0.5 \text{ A}$

15. (a) If volume is decreased, distance between adjacent molecules is reduced, leading to increase in the rate at which, molecules collide. Increased rate of collisions increases the pressure.

(b) (i) - Volume  
 - Pressure

(ii) Allowing the air to adjust to room temperature before taking the readings.

(iii) - Plot a graph of P against V  
 - A curved line results  
 - From the graph calculate the product of PV which will be a constant  
 Or  
 - Plot a graph of P against  $\frac{1}{V}$   
 - A straight line graph is produced  
 - Slope of the graph is PV

(c) Pressure due to mercury ( $P_2$ ) = 76 + 10  
 = 86 cmHg

$$\begin{aligned} P_2 V_2 &= P_1 V_1 \\ P_2 L_2 A &= P_1 L_1 A \\ 86 \times L_2 &= 76 \times 25 \\ L_2 &= 22.09 \text{ cm} \end{aligned}$$

16. (a) Heat required to raise temperature of a body by 1 degree Celsius/Centigrade

(b) Measurements

- Initial mass of water & calorimeter –  $m_1$
- Final mass of water & calorimeter –  $m_2$
- Time taken to evaporate water (  $T_1 - T_2$  ) =  $t$
- Heat given out by heater = heat of vaporization =  $ml$

$$pt = (m_1 - m_2)l$$

$$L = \frac{pt}{m_1 - m_2}$$

(c) (i)  $H = M_c C_c \Delta T$

$$= \frac{40 \times (34 - 25)}{1000}$$

$$= 40 \times 9$$

$$= 360 \text{ J}$$

(ii)  $H = M_w C_w \Delta T$

$$= \frac{100 \times 4200 \times (34 - 25)}{1000}$$

$$= 3780 \text{ J}$$

(iii)  $H = M_m C_m \Delta T$

$$= \frac{150 \text{ kg} \times 6 \times C}{1000}$$

$$= 9.9 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Or (i) + (ii) = 4140 J}$$

(iv) Heat lost by metal = heat gained by calorimeter + heat gained by water

$$\frac{150 \times c_m \times 66}{1000} = 4140$$

$$C_m = \frac{4140}{0.15 \times 66} = 418 \text{ J/KgK}$$

$$\text{Or } 9.9 C_m = 360 + 3780$$

$$C_m = 418 \text{ J/KgK}$$

17. (a) (i) Pressure is force of thrust per unit area

(ii) Upthrust is an upward force experienced by a body which is partially or wholly immersed in a liquid.

(b) (i)  $P = h\rho g$

$$= 0.12 \times 1000 \times 10$$

$$= 1200 \text{ N/m}^2$$

$$P = \frac{F}{A}$$

$$F = 1200 \times 0.0004$$

$$= 0.48 \text{ N}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) Upthrust} &= 1.5 - 0.48 \\ &= 1.02\text{N}\checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Weight of displaced water} = \rho V g$$

$$1.02 = 1000 \times V \times 10\checkmark$$

$$V = 1.02 \times 10^{-4}\text{m}^3\checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii) Weight of block} &= \rho V g \\ &= 2500 \times 1.02 \times 10^{-4} \times 10 \\ &= 2.55\text{N}\checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Apparent weight} &= 2.55 - 1.02\checkmark \\ &= 1.53\text{N}\checkmark \end{aligned}$$



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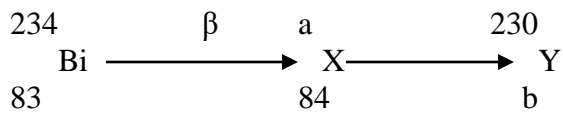
**SECTION A (25 MARKS)**

1. State two differences between images formed by plane mirrors and those formed by a pin-hole camera (2mks)
  
2. The energy spent by a lead acid accumulator is 45J in moving 8C of charge from one point to another. Calculate the potential difference between the terminals of the battery. (3mks)
  
3. The diagram below shows a bar magnet being withdrawn from a solenoid.

The center zero galvanometer is observed to deflect in the direction shown. What is the polarity of the magnet. (1mk)

4. Arrange the following radiations in order of increasing frequency  
Ultraviolet, Microwaves, blue light, red light (1mk)

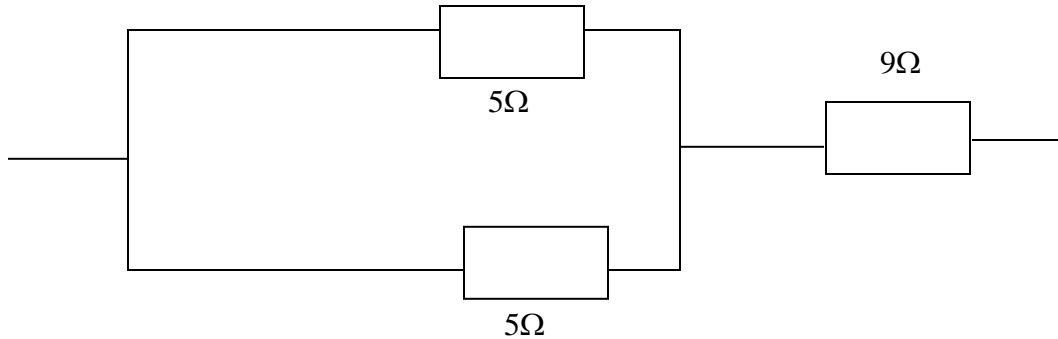
5. The following is part of radioactive decay process/series



Determine the values of a and b

a = \_\_\_\_\_ b = \_\_\_\_\_ (2mks)

6. The figure below shows part of an electrical circuit. The current through the  $9\Omega$  resistor is observed to be 1A.



State the value of the current through each of the  $5\Omega$  resistors (1mk)

7. An electric heater  $480\Omega$  is connected to a 240V main supply. Determine the energy dissipated in 5 minutes. (3mks)

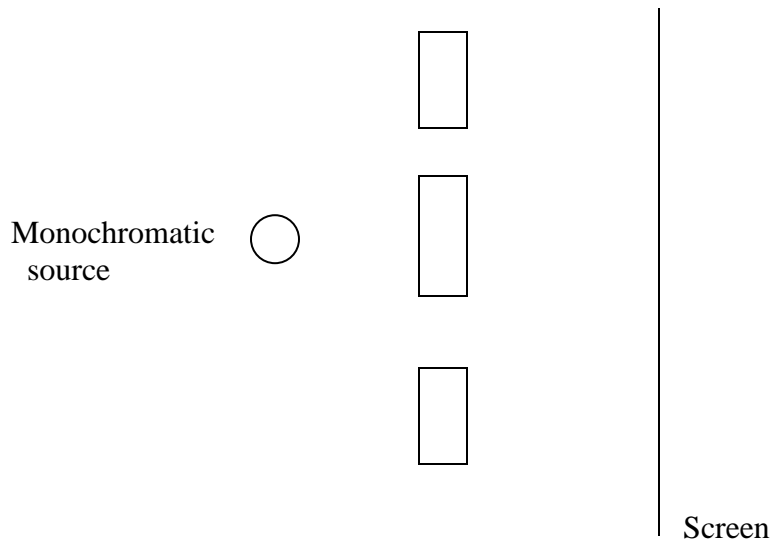
8. State one property of X – rays which makes it possible to detect fractured bones. (1mk)

9. Two soft iron rods are placed inside a coil of wire connected to a battery as shown in the figure below. State the effect on the rods when the switch is closed. (2mks)
10. State any two disadvantages of direct transmission system (no transformer used) (2mks)
11. Define the term “accommodation” as applied to human eye (1mk)
12. The time – keeper of a 110m races stands near the finishing tape and starts his stop-watch on hearing the bang from the starting pistol. When should he have started his stop-watch (speed of sound = 330 m/s) (3mks)
13. P – type and Y – type semiconductors are made from a pure semi conductor by a process known as ‘doping’. Explain how doping produces a P-type semi-conductor. (3mks)

**SECTION B (55 MARKS)**

14. (a) State the relationship between frequency wavelength and energy of a wave (2mks)

(b) In an experiment to observe interference of light waves, a double slit was placed close to the source as shown below



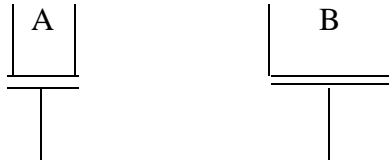
(i) Describe what is observed on the screen (2mks)

(ii) State what would be observed when the slits  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$  is reduced. (3mks)

(c) State the difference between transverse and longitudinal wave

(2mks)

15. (a) Two metal cans A and B of different sizes rest on two identical gold-leaf electroscopes as shown in the figure 2 below. Each can is given exactly the same quantity of negative charge.



- (i) Copy the diagram and show on it the divergence of the leaves on each electroscopes. Explain your answer.

(3mks)

- (ii) Which will have been charged to the greater potential? Give a reason

(2mks)

- (iii) If the two cans are now carefully connected, without either being earthed, which way will electrons flow?

(1mk)

- (iv) Give a reason for your answer to part (c) above

(1mk)

(b) The figure 3 below shows a system of capacitors connected to 100V supply.  
4 $\mu$  6 $\mu$ f 8 $\mu$ f figure 3

(i) Calculate the total charge Q, flowing through the circuit (3mks)

(ii) Calculate the potential difference across 4mf capacitor. (3mks)

16. (a) (i) State any one property which is common to electromagnetic waves. (1mk)

(ii) State two properties of light that are different from sound waves. (2mks)

(b) (i) One range of frequencies used in broadcasting varies from  $0.70 \times 10^6$  Hz and  $2.5 \times 10^6$  Hz. What is the longest wavelength in this region. (3mks)

(ii) In electromagnetic spectrum, name the region that can ionise air. (1mk)

17. (a) What is meant by radioactivity. (1mk)

(b) With an aid of a labelled diagram explain the working of a Geiger – muller tube as a detector of radiation (5mks)

(c) In an experiment to determine the half life of a certain radioactive substance, the activity in disintegrations per minute was measured for sometime. The table below shows the results obtained

Time in minutes	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80
Activity in disintegrations per minute	152	115	87	66	50	38	20	12	6

On the grid, plot a suitable graph and use it to determine the half life ( $t_{1/2}$ ) of the substance. (7mks)



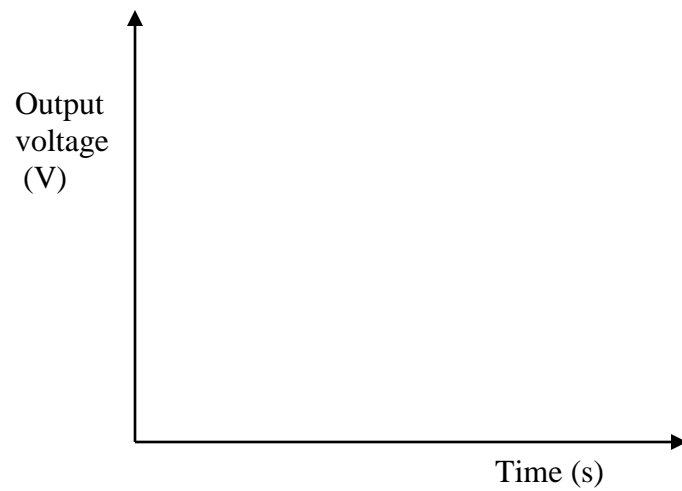
- (d) At time  $t = 40$  minutes, the activity of a sample of a certain radioactive isotope with half – life of 12 minutes is found to be 480 disintegrations per minute. Determine the time which the activity was 3840 disintegrations per minute. (2mks)

18. The figure below shows a circuit of a rectifier using two diodes  $D_1$  and  $D_2$

(i) What is rectification? (1mk)

(ii) Explain how rectification output is produced from the set up when an a.c input is connected across AB (4mks)

(iii) On the axes provided below sketch the graph of output voltage against time for the rectifier. (1mk)



(iv) A capacitor is now connected across XY. Explain the effect of the capacitor on the output. (2mks)

(b) Explain briefly what happens to the depletion layer when a diode is forward biased. (2mks)

(c) What is Zener diode? (1mk)

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SECTION A (25 MARKS)

1. In a plane mirror image is  
Erect virtual√1  
In a pin – hole camera image is  
Inverted virtual√1
2. Potential difference = work done/charge transferred √1  
$$= \frac{45}{8} \sqrt{1}$$
$$= 5.625 \text{v} \sqrt{1}$$
3. North√1
4. Microwaves – red light – blue light – ultraviolet√1
5. a = 234√1  
b = 82√1
6. 0.5A√1
7.  $E = VI t$   
 $= I^2 R t$   
 $E = \frac{V \cdot V \cdot t}{R} \sqrt{1}$   
 $= \frac{240 \times 240 \times 5 \times 60}{480}$   
 $= 36,000 \text{J} \sqrt{1}$
8. They penetrate matter√1
9. They will repel√1 since they acquires same polarity√1

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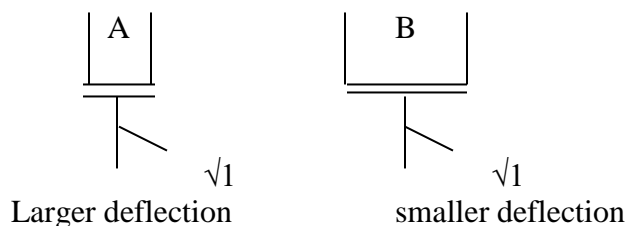
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10. - A large current transmitted over long distance is risk.√1  
 - To carry high currents, the cables have to be very thick. The cost of such thick cables is quite high.√1  
 - The power dissipated as heat ( $I^2R$ ) in the cables during the power transmission is very high√1  
 (Any of the correct two answers above)
11. - The ability of the eye lens to focus both near and far objects√1  
 - The changing of thickness of an eye lens in order to focus objects of various distances from an eye on the retina√1  
 (Any of the two above)
12. Time taken to hear the bang =  $\frac{\text{distance}\sqrt{1}}{\text{Speed of sound in air}}$   
 =  $\frac{110\text{m}}{330\text{m/s}}$   
 = 0.33 √1seconds before hearing the bang√1
13. - Doping a pure semiconductor with a group 3 impurity√1  
 - Only 3 outermost electrons of pure semiconductor bonds with the 3 outmost electrons of the impurity√1  
 leaving one unbonded electron on the pure semiconductor which moves round within the conductor  
 leaving holes√1

### SECTION B (55 MARKS)

14. (a) - The higher the frequency the high or the energy√1  
 - The shorter the wavelength the higher the energy√1
- (b) (i) Dark and bright fridges√1, with central fringe bright√1  
 (ii) Separation of fringes√1 increases/number of fringes decreases√1
- (c) In transverse waves the displacement of waves particles is perpendicular to the wave motion√1 in  
 longitudinal waves the displacement of the waves particles is parallel to the direction of wave  
 motion√1

15.



Can B which is larger than can A has a larger capacitance i.e. it can store more charge before its potential reaches the value at which sparking occurs and it discharges.√1

- (ii) - Can B√1  
 - The larger the surface area the higher the capacitance.√1

(iii) From can B to can A√1

(iv) The discharging on can A of small surface area is high than on can B, hence the potential of can A is less than that of can B√1

B (i)  $Q = CV$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Combined capacitance for } 4\mu\text{f and } 8\mu\text{f} &= 4 + 8 \\ &= 12\mu\text{f} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Combined capacitance for the whole system, } C &= \frac{12 \times 6}{12 + 6} \\ &= 4\text{mf}\sqrt{1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= CV\sqrt{1} \\ &= 4.0 \times 10^{-6} \times 100 \\ &= 4.0 \times 10^{-4}\text{C}\sqrt{1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) Pd. Across } 6\text{mf, } V &= \frac{Q\sqrt{1}}{C} \\ &= \frac{4.0 \times 10^{-4}}{6.0 \times 10^{-6}} \\ &= 66.7\text{V}\sqrt{1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{P.d across } 4\text{mf capacitor} &= 100\text{v} - 66.7\text{v} \\ &= 33.3\text{v} \end{aligned}$$

16. (a) (i) – They carry no charge  
- They are transverse in nature  
- They travel with the same speed in vacuum  
(Any 1 correct one mark)

- (ii) – Light travels in vacuum while sound does not travel in vacuum  
- Speed of light in vacuum is  $3.0 \times 10^8\text{m/s}$  while that of sound in vacuum is  $330\text{m/s}$   
- Light is a transverse wave while sound is a longitudinal wave  
(Any two correct each one mark)

(b) (i) The low the frequency the long the wavelength √1

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &= \frac{c\sqrt{1}}{f} \\ &= \frac{3.0 \times 10^8}{0.7 \times 10^6} = 428.57\text{m}\sqrt{1} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) X – rays (Gamma rays) √1

17. (a) Radioactivity is the spontaneous disintegration of unstable nuclei so that it stabilizes.√1

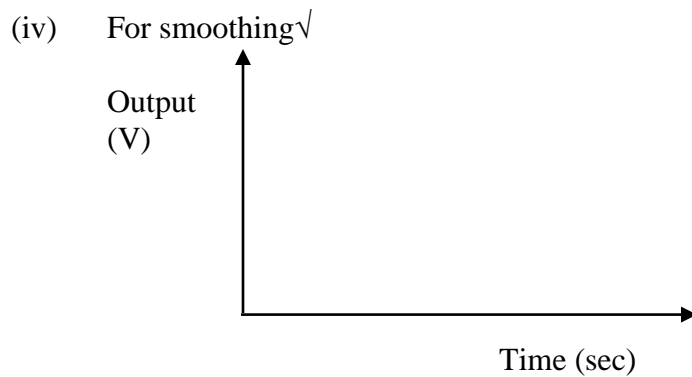
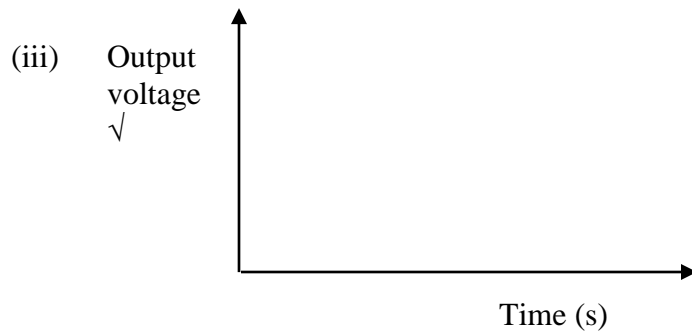
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- When radiation enters the mica window the argon gas is ionised; the electrons go to anode and +ve ions go cathode; thus a discharge is suddenly obtained (PULSE) between anode and cathode, and registered by counter. The discharge persists for a short time due to the quenching effect of halogen vapour.

(c)  $t_{1/2} = \text{average} = \text{film}$   
 $= 24.5 \text{ min}$

(d)  $480 \text{ t}_{1/2} \quad 960 \text{ t}_{1/2} \quad 1920 \text{ t}_{1/2} \quad 3840$   
 $3 \text{ t}_{1/2} = 3 \times 12 = 48 \text{ min}$

18. (i) This is the transforming of an alternating voltage into a direct voltage  
(ii) In the 1<sup>st</sup> half – cycle  $D_1$  is forward biased. While  $D_2$  is reverse biased. Current flows through  $AD_1BCA$   
In the 2<sup>nd</sup> half cycle,  $D_2$  is forward biased while  $D_1$  is reverse biased current flows through  $DD_2BCD$ .



- (b) When a diode is forward biased, fixed ions in the depletion layers regain holes and electrons thus reducing significantly.  
(c) A diode designed to go beyond the break – down voltage.

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

This paper has two questions. You are supposed to spend the first 15 minutes of the 2 ½ hours allowed for this paper reading the whole paper carefully before starting your work.

Marks are given for clear record of the observations made, their suitability and accuracy and the use made of them.

Mathematical table and electronic calculators may be used.

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Q2	Question no	
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1. You are provided with the following apparatus
- An ammeter (0 – 1.0A)
  - A voltmeter (0 – 2.5v)
  - A resistance wire PQ mounted on a mm scale.
  - Two new dry cells
  - A switch
  - A cell holder
  - Six connecting wires

(a) Set up the apparatus as shown below.

(b) Starting with  $L = 0.2\text{m}$ , close the switch. Record the value of  $I$ , the current through the wire and  $V$ , the p.d across it. Enter your results in the table drawn below.

L (M)	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8
I (A)						
P.d (V)						
$R = \frac{V}{I} (\Omega)$						
$\frac{1}{I} (\text{A}^{-1})$						

(8mks)

(c) Repeat part (b) above for the values of  $L$ , shown in the table  
Record the corresponding values of  $I$  and  $V$ . calculate the values of  $R$  and  $\frac{1}{I}$  and enter the values in the table.

(d) On the grid provided, plot a graph of  $R$  (y – axis) against  $\frac{1}{I}$  (x-axis) (5mks)

(e) Determine the slope,  $S$  of your graph (3mks)

(f) If the graph obeys the equation

$$R = \frac{E}{I} - r$$

Determine:



(i) The value of E

(1mk)

(ii) The value of r

(2mks)

(g) Draw a simple circuit you can use to determine the E.M.F of a single cell.

(1mk)

## Question Two

You are provided with the following

- A metre rule.
- 3 pieces of thread.
- A clamp, boss and stand.
- A mass labelled W.
- 2 masses of 20g.
- A mass of 50g.
- 2 masses of 10g.

Procedure:

(a) Using thread suspend the metre rule from the stand and note down the centre of gravity G.

G = \_\_\_\_\_ cm mark

(1mk)

(b) (i) Hang the mass labelled W from the 65 cm mark. Suspend the 50g mass from the other side and adjust its position till the system is in equilibrium as shown in the figure below.

(ii) Measure distances x and y

X = \_\_\_\_\_ metres (1mk)

Y = \_\_\_\_\_ metres (1mk)

(c) (i) Maintaining the point of suspension of the metre rule at G and the mass labelled W at 65 mark. Repeat the experiment for masses of 70, 80, 90, 100 and 120g. Enter the results in the table below.

Mass (g)	Weight F (N)	Distance x (m)	$1/x \text{ m}^{-1}$
50			
70			
80			
90			
100			
120			

(ii) Plot a graph of F against  $1/x$  (5mks)

(iii) Determine the slope, S of the graph. (3mks)

(iv) Given that  $F = \frac{WY}{X}$  where  $W$  is a constant, find it's value.

(3mks)

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1.b

L (M)	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	
I (A)	0.4	0.31	0.25	0.22	0.20	0.19	± 0.05
P.d (V)	1.6	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.4	± 0.1
$R = \frac{V}{I} (\Omega)$	4.00	6.13	8.00	9.55	11.00	12.63	2mks
$\frac{1}{I} (A^{-1})$	2.50	3.22	4.00	4.55	5.00	5.26	2mks

I values – all correct – 2mks  
 At least 4 correct 1mk  
 V values – all correct – 2mks  
 At least 4 correct – 1mk

$$(e) S = \frac{11 - 4}{5 - 2.5} = \frac{7}{2.5} = \underline{\underline{2.8 \pm 0.1}}$$

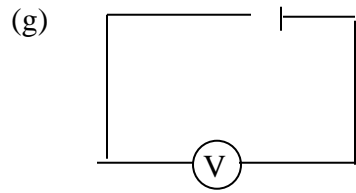
Correct Intervals – 1mk  
 Evaluation – 1mk  
 Accuracy – ½ mk  
 Unit – ½ mk

(f) (i) 2.8V - 1mk

(ii)  $-r = -3$  realising  $-r = y$  intercept – 1mk  
 $r = 3 \Omega$  with unit - 1mk

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Question Two

G = 50.0 mark (1mk)

X = 0.3m (1mk)

Y = 0.15m (1mk)

(c) (i)

Mass (g)	Weight F (N)	Distance x (m)	$1/x \text{ m}^{-1}$
50	0.5	0.300	3.30
70	0.7	0.214	4.67
80	0.8	0.188	5.32
90	0.9	0.167	5.99
100	1.0	0.150	6.67
120	1.2	0.125	8.00

2mks

2mks

2mks

X values  $\pm 0.2\text{cm}$

For every row, all values correct – 2mks

At least 4 correct – 1mk

(c) (iii)  $S = \frac{1.2 - 0.5}{8 - 3.3}$

$$\frac{0.7}{4.7}$$

$$= 0.149\text{NM} \pm 0.01$$

Correct Intervals – 1mk

Evaluation – 1mk

Accuracy –  $\frac{1}{2}$  mk

Unit –  $\frac{1}{2}$  mk

(iv)  $S = WY$

$$0.149 = 0.15W$$

$$W = \frac{0.149}{0.15}$$

$$W = 0.993N \pm 0.01$$

Correct substitution – 1mk

Evaluation – 1mk

Accuracy – ½ mk

Unit – ½ mk

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**CONFIDENTIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

Q1. Each candidate requires the following

- A voltmeter (0-2.5V).
- A cell holder to hold two cells in series.
- Two new dry cells.
- An ammeter (0-1A).
- Six connecting wires, four with crocodile clips.
- A switch.
- Nichrome wire (S.W.G 32) 1m long mounted on a mm scale.

Q2.

- A metre rule.
- 3 pieces of thread each about 20cm long.
- 2 masses of 20g each.
- 2 masses of 50g or 100g mass.
- A complete stand.
- One 10g mass.