



AS Level Physics A H156/02 Depth in physics Sample Question Paper

Date – Morning/Afternoon

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Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes



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• the Data, Formulae and Relationships Booklet

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INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink. You may use an HB pencil for graphs and diagrams.
- Complete the boxes above with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer all the questions.
- Where appropriate, your answers should be supported with working. Marks may be given for a correct method even if the answer is incorrect.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Additional paper may be used if required but you must clearly show your candidate number, centre number and question number(s).
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **70**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended responses will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document consists of 20 page

Answer **all** the questions.

1 Fig. 1.1 shows a sign hanging from a rod fixed to a vertical wall. A metal wire attached between the rod and the wall holds the rod horizontal.



The weight W of the sign and rod act through the centre point of the rod. The value W is 120 N. The angle between wire and rod is 30°.

(a) Explain why the vertical force exerted on the rod by the wire is 60 N.

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(b) Calculate the tension T in the wire.

T = N [2]

(c) (i) Draw an arrow on Fig. 1.1 to show the direction of the force exerted on the rod by the wall.

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(ii) State how you chose this direction.

Question 2 begins on page 4

Fig. 2.1 shows the path of a golf ball which is struck at point **F** on the fairway landing at point **G** on the green. The effect of air resistance is negligible.

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The ball leaves the club at 17 m s⁻¹ at an angle of 60° to the horizontal at time t = 0.

(a) Show that the speed of the ball at the highest point **H** of the trajectory is between 8 and 9 m s^{-1} .

speed = $m s^{-1}$ [2]

(b) At t = 1.5 s the ball reaches point **H**. Calculate

(i) the maximum height h of the ball

h = m [3]

(ii) the distance between the points **F** and **G**.

distance **FG** = m [2]

(c) Suppose the same golfer standing at F had hit the ball with the same speed but at an angle of 30° to the horizontal. See Fig. 2.2.



Show that the ball would still land at G.

[3]

(d) Compare the magnitude and direction of the two velocities as the ball lands at G and using this information suggest, with a reason, which trajectory you would choose to travel a longer distance after hitting the green at G.

[2]

- **3** A sports manufacturer is testing the quality of one of their footballs.
 - (a) Fig. 3.1 shows how the force F applied to a football varies with time t whilst it is being kicked horizontally. The ball is initially at rest.



(i) Use the graph to find:

1 the maximum force applied to the ballN

2 the time the boot is in contact with the balls.

[1]

(ii) The mean force multiplied by the time of contact is called the impulse delivered to the ball. The impulse delivered to the ball is about 6.5 N s.

Explain how you would use the graph to show that the impulse has this value.

- (b) The mass of the ball is 0.60 kg. Use your answers in (a) to calculate
 - (i) the maximum acceleration of the ball

acceleration = $m s^{-2}$ [2]

(ii) the final speed of the ball.

speed = $m s^{-1}$ [2]

(c) The ball hits a wall with a speed of 11 m s⁻¹. It rebounds from the wall along its initial path with a speed of 6.0 m s⁻¹. The impact lasts for 0.18 s.

Calculate the mean force exerted by the ball on the wall.

mean force = N [3]

 4 (a) Name the charge carriers responsible for electric current in a metal
 and in an electrolyte

[1]

- (b) A copper rod of cross-sectional area $3.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$ is used to transmit large currents. A charge of 650 C passes along the rod every 5.0 s. Calculate
 - (i) the current *I* in the rod

I =A [1]

(ii) the total number of electrons passing any point in the rod per second

(iii) the mean drift velocity of the electrons in the rod given that the number density of free electrons is $1.0 \times 10^{29} \text{ m}^{-3}$.

mean drift velocity = $m s^{-1}$ [2]

(c) The copper rod in (b) labelled X in Fig. 4.1 is connected to a longer thinner copper rod Y.





- (ii) Rod Y has half the cross-sectional area of rod X. Calculate the mean drift velocity of electrons in Y.

mean drift velocity = $m s^{-1}$ [1]

5 (a) The circuit in **Fig. 5.1** consists of a d.c. supply of e.m.f. 45 V and negligible internal resistance and three resistors.



Two of the resistors have resistances 1000 Ω and 750 Ω as shown.

The current drawn from the supply is 0.030 A. Calculate the resistance of **R**.

resistance = $\dots \Omega$ [4]

(b)* Students are given a light dependent resistor (LDR) and asked to design a circuit for a light meter to monitor changes in light intensity. The meter reading must rise when the light intensity increases.

The incident light may cause the resistance of the LDR to vary between 1500 Ω and 250 $\Omega.$

The students are asked to use the d.c. supply and one of the resistors from (a) above and either a voltmeter or ammeter.

Draw a suitable circuit.

Explain why the reading on the meter increases with increasing light intensity and which of the three fixed resistors gives the largest scale change on the meter for the change in light intensity.

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Additional answer space if required.

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In an investigation of standing waves, sound waves are sent down a long pipe, with its lower end immersed in water. The waves are reflected by the water surface. The pipe is lowered until a standing wave is set up in the air in the pipe. A loud note is then heard. See **Fig. 6.1**.

Length l_1 is measured. The pipe is then lowered further until a loud sound is again obtained from the air in the pipe. Length l_2 is measured.



(a) A student obtained the following results in the experiment.

frequency of sound/Hz	l_1/m	l_2/m
500	0.506	0.170

Use data from the table to calculate the speed of sound in the pipe.

speed = $m s^{-1}$ [4]

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(b) The student repeats the experiment, but sets the frequency of the sound from the speaker at 5000 Hz.

Suggest and explain whether these results are likely to give a more or less accurate value for the speed of sound than those obtained in the first experiment.

[2]

(c) The pipe is removed from the water and laid horizontally on a bench as in Fig. 6.2. The frequency of the sound waves sent down the pipe is adjusted until a standing wave is set up in it. Point **P** is a distance of $\lambda/4$ from point **Q** at the far end.





Explain how and under what conditions a stationary sound wave is formed in the pipe. Describe and compare the motion of the air molecules at points P and Q.

[6]

7 (a)* The Planck constant h can be measured in an experiment using light-emitting diodes (LEDs).

Each LED used in the experiment emits monochromatic light. The wavelength λ of the emitted photons is determined during the manufacturing process and is provided by the manufacturer.

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When the p.d. across the LED reaches a specific minimum value V_{\min} the LED suddenly switches on emitting photons of light of wavelength λ .

 V_{\min} and λ are related by the energy equation $eV_{\min} = hc/\lambda$.



Fig.	7.1
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λ/nm	$V_{\rm min}/{\rm V}$
627	1.98
590	2.10
546	2.27
468	2.66
411	3.02
	627 590 546 468

Discuss how you could use the circuit of Fig. 7.1 to determine accurate values for V_{\min} and how data from the table can be used graphically to determine a value for the Planck constant.

[6]

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Additional answer space if required.

(b) A beam of ultraviolet light is incident on a clean metal surface. The graph of Fig. 7.2 shows how the maximum kinetic energy KE_{max} of the electrons ejected from the surface varies with the frequency f of the incident light.



(i) Explain how the graph shown in Fig 7.2 cannot be explained in terms of the wave-model for electromagnetic waves.

[2]

- (ii) Use data from Fig.7.2 to find a value of
 - 1. the Planck constant

Planck constant = J s [2]

2. the threshold frequency of the metal

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threshold frequency = Hz [1]

3. the work function of the metal.

work function = J [2]

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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MARKING INSTRUCTIONS

PREPARATION FOR MARKING

SCORIS

- 1. Make sure that you have accessed and completed the relevant training packages for on-screen marking: *scoris assessor Online Training*; *OCR Essential Guide to Marking*.
- 2. Make sure that you have read and understood the mark scheme and the question paper for this unit. These are posted on the RM Cambridge Assessment Support Portal <u>http://www.rm.com/support/ca</u>
- 3. Log-in to scoris and mark the **required number** of practice responses ("scripts") and the **required number** of standardisation responses.

YOU MUST MARK 10 PRACTICE AND 10 STANDARDISATION RESPONSES BEFORE YOU CAN BE APPROVED TO MARK LIVE SCRIPTS.

MARKING

- 1. Mark strictly to the mark scheme.
- 2. Marks awarded must relate directly to the marking criteria.
- 3. The schedule of dates is very important. It is essential that you meet the scoris 50% and 100% (traditional 50% Batch 1 and 100% Batch 2) deadlines. If you experience problems, you must contact your Team Leader (Supervisor) without delay.
- 4. If you are in any doubt about applying the mark scheme, consult your Team Leader by telephone, email or via the scoris messaging system.

5. Work crossed out:

- a. where a candidate crosses out an answer and provides an alternative response, the crossed out response is not marked and gains no marks
- b. if a candidate crosses out an answer to a whole question and makes no second attempt, and if the inclusion of the answer does not cause a rubric infringement, the assessor should attempt to mark the crossed out answer and award marks appropriately.
- 6. Always check the pages (and additional objects if present) at the end of the response in case any answers have been continued there. If the candidate has continued an answer there then add a tick to confirm that the work has been seen.
- 7. There is a NR (No Response) option. Award NR (No Response)
 - if there is nothing written at all in the answer space
 - OR if there is a comment which does not in any way relate to the question (e.g. 'can't do', 'don't know')
 - OR if there is a mark (e.g. a dash, a question mark) which isn't an attempt at the question.

Note: Award 0 marks – for an attempt that earns no credit (including copying out the question).

8. The scoris **comments box** is used by your Team Leader to explain the marking of the practice responses. Please refer to these comments when checking your practice responses. **Do not use the comments box for any other reason.**

If you have any questions or comments for your Team Leader, use the phone, the scoris messaging system, or e-mail.

9. Assistant Examiners will send a brief report on the performance of candidates to their Team Leader (Supervisor) via email by the end of the marking period. The report should contain notes on particular strengths displayed as well as common errors or weaknesses. Constructive criticism of the question paper/mark scheme is also appreciated.

- 10. For answers marked by levels of response:
 - Read through the whole answer from start to finish.
 - Decide the level that best fits the answer match the quality of the answer to the closest level descriptor.
 - To select a mark within the level, consider the following:

Higher mark: A good match to main point, including communication statement (in italics), award the higher mark in the level **Lower mark**: Some aspects of level matches but key omissions in main point or communication statement (in italics), award lower mark in the level.

Level of response questions on this paper are **5(b)** and **7(a)**.

11. Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
DO NOT ALLOW	Answers which are not worthy of credit
IGNORE	Statements which are irrelevant
ALLOW	Answers that can be accepted
()	Words which are not essential to gain credit
_	Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark
ECF	Error carried forward
AW	Alternative wording
ORA	Or reverse argument

12. Subject-specific Marking Instructions

INTRODUCTION

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure that you have copies of these materials.

You should ensure also that you are familiar with the administrative procedures related to the marking process. These are set out in the OCR booklet **Instructions for Examiners**. If you are examining for the first time, please read carefully **Appendix 5 Introduction to Script Marking: Notes for New Examiners**.

Please ask for help or guidance whenever you need it. Your first point of contact is your Team Leader.

CATEGORISATION OF MARKS

The marking schemes categorise marks on the MACB scheme.

B marks: These are awarded as <u>independent</u> marks, which do not depend on other marks. For a **B**-mark to be scored, the point to which it refers must be seen specifically in the candidate's answers.

M marks: These are <u>method</u> marks upon which **A**-marks (accuracy marks) later depend. For an **M**-mark to be scored, the point to which it refers must be seen in the candidate's answers. If a candidate fails to score a particular **M**-mark, then none of the dependent **A**-marks can be scored.

C marks: These are <u>compensatory</u> method marks which can be scored even if the points to which they refer are not written down by the candidate, providing subsequent working gives evidence that they must have known it. For example, if an equation carries a **C**-mark and the candidate does not write down the actual equation but does correct working which shows the candidate knew the equation, then the **C**-mark is given.

A marks: These are accuracy or <u>answer</u> marks, which either depend on an **M**-mark, or allow a **C**-mark to be scored.

Note about significant figures:

If the data given in a question is to 2 sf, then allow to 2 or <u>more</u> significant figures. If an answer is given to fewer than 2 sf, then penalise once only in the <u>entire</u> paper. Any exception to this rule will be mentioned in the Additional Guidance.

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)		Take moments <u>about contact point of rod and wall (because this</u> removes the unknown forces in the calculation).	B1	
			$W \ge 2 = F \ge \mathbf{o}\mathbf{r} $ the vertical force is at a distance twice that for the weight.	B1	
	(b)		<i>T</i> = 60/sin 30 or 60/cos 60	C1	
			<i>T</i> = 120 (N)	A1	
	(c)	(i)	arrow from rod wall junction through point where T and line of W cross.	B1	
		(ii)	require triangle of forces for equilibrium or the forces must pass through a point for equilibrium.	B1	
			Total	6	

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Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2	(a)		horizontal component = 17 sin 30 or 17 cos 60 = 8.5 (m s ⁻¹)	B1	
			at highest point vertical component of velocity is zero.	B1	
	(b)	(i)	u = 17 cos 30 = 14.7 (m s ⁻¹)	C1	
			h = ut - ½gt²; = 14.7 x 1.5 - ½ x 9.81 x 1.5²	C1	or use $v^2 = u^2 - 2gs$ or $s = (u + v)t/2$
			h = 11 (m)	A1	note : if g = 10 is used, then maximum score is 2/3
		(ii)	s = 2 x 8.5 x 1.5	C1	ecf 2a
			s = 26 (m)	A1	allow 25.5 m
	(c)		$0 = 17 \sin 30 t - \frac{1}{2} \times 9.81 \times t^2$	C1	
			so t = 0 or 17/9.81 = 1.73	C1	
			s = 14.7 x 1.73 = 25.4 (m)	A1	allow s = 15 x 1.7 = 25.5 (accept 25 or 26 to 2 sf)
	(d)		the ball has the <u>same</u> speed (of 17 m s ⁻¹) but is at <u>different</u> (either at 60° or 30°) angle to the horizontal.	B1	
			larger horizontal velocity (second trajectory) so travels further or higher bounce (first trajectory) so less drag from grass so travels further.	B1	accept any sensible answer, e.g. steeper bounce loses more energy in impact so slows more.
			Total	12	

Question		on	Answer		Guidance both values correct; no tolerance	
3	(a) (i)		48 (N);0.25 (s)			
		(ii)	estimate area under graph	B1		
			by counting squares	B1	second mark awarded for some detail about how to estimate area.	
			or			
			weather dief active atient was an E		and the second s	
			method of estimating mean F		e.g. areas above and below mean under curve are	
	(h)	(i)	multiplied by time of contact (0.25 s) (F = ma) a = 48/0.6	C1	equal.	
	(b)	(i)	(F - IIIa) = 40/0.0	U	ecf a(i)	
			a = 80 (m s ⁻²)	A1		
		(ii)	(Ft = mv) v = 6.5/0.6	C 1	ecf a(i)	
			$v = 11 (m s^{-1})$	A1	allow 10.8	
	(c)		Ft = mv + mu	C1		
				•		
			Ft = 0.6 (6 + 11) = 10(.2)	C1	$\alpha_{\rm even} = 0.0000000000000000000000000000000000$	
			F = 10/0.18 = 57 (N)	A1	award 1 mark out of 3 for mv - mu; = $0.6(11 - 6) = 3$	
			F = 10/0.10 = 37 (N)	AI	giving 17 (N).	
			Total	10		

G	Questi	on	Answer		Guidance
4	(a)		electron; ion	B1	both required for 1 mark.
	(b)	(i)	I = Q/t = 650/5 = 130 A	A1	
		(ii)	$n = I/e = 130/1.6 \times 10^{-19} = 8.13 \times 10^{20}$	A1	ecf(b)(i).
		(iii)	$I = 10^{29}$ Aev giving 8.13 x $10^{20} = 10^{29}$ Av	C1	ecf(b)(ii).
			$v = 8.13 \times 10^{20} / 10^{29} \times 3.0 \times 10^{-4} = 2.7 \times 10^{-5} (m s^{-1}).$	A1	
	(c)	(i)	because of Kirchhoff's first law or statement of this law.	B1	
		(ii)	Using I = nAev so v is proportional to 1/A giving 5.4 x 10^{-5} (m s ⁻¹).	B1	ecf(b)(iii).
			Total	7	

C	Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5	(a) (b)*	V across 750 Ω = 45 - 0.03 x 1000 = 15 (V) current in 750 Ω = 15/750 = 0.02 (A) current in R = 0.01 (A) R = 15/0.01 = 1500 (Ω) Level 3 (5–6 marks) Circuit including meter is correctly drawn. Explanation of action of circuit is correct. Concept of sensitivity understood and 750 Ω justified (6 marks) LDR wrong symbol or value of resistor not fully justified (5 marks). There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated. Level 2 (3–4 marks) Circuit has correct symbol for LDR Action of circuit explanation limited 750 Ω stated but not justified Concept of sensitivity (4 marks) Any point omitted or incorrect (3 marks). There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The	Marks C1 C1 C1 A1 B1 x6	Guidance several methods available, e.g. find the total resistance = 45/0.03 = 1500 (Ω) resistance of parallel pair = 500 (Ω) R=(500 ⁻¹ - 750 ⁻¹) ⁻¹ = 1500 (Ω) or use potential divider argument. circuit diagram 1. resistor and LDR in series 2. ammeter in series or voltmeter in parallel with resistor 3. correct symbols for LDR, ammeter, voltmeter, etc. action of circuit 1. when light intensity increases R of LDR falls 2. so I in circuit increases or V across resistor increases or V across LDR decreases (meter reading increases). meter and sensitivity 1. need the largest change in current or voltage for a given change in light intensity 2. choose resistor of 750 Ω to give the largest change on the meter or need a meter which can display small changes in value of current or voltage.

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
	Level 1 (1–2 marks)		
	Correct symbol for LDR (1 mark)		
	Action of circuit only addresses point (1 mark)		
	Sensitivity poorly addressed (1 mark)		
	(Maximum 2 marks)		
	There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning.		
	The information is in the most part relevant.		
	0 marks		
	No response or no response worthy of credit.		
	Total	10	

Question	Answer		Guidance	
6 (a)	tube pushed into water by $\lambda/2$	B1	allow any statement about antinode needed at open end and node at water level.	
	therefore $\lambda/2 = 0.506 - 0.170$ giving $\lambda = 0.672$ (m)	B1		
	using v = $f\lambda$	C1		
	$v = 500 \times 0.672 = 336 \text{ (m s}^{-1}\text{)}$	A1	A solution worked to 2 SF will score a maximum of 3	
		6	marks.	
(b)	smaller λ means smaller <i>l</i> to measure, so less accurate	B1		
	measurement.	B1		
	added detail or expansion of argument.			
(c)	the wave reflected at the end of the pipe interferes/superposes with			
	the incident wave .	B1		
	to produce a resultant wave with nodes and antinodes.	B1		
	both ends must be antinodes	B1		
	or the pipe must be $n\lambda/2$ in length for this to happen.			
	at Q air molecules <u>oscillate</u>	B1	allow vibrate.	
	with motion along the axis of the tube or with maximum amplitude.	B1		
	at P no motion/nodal point.			
		B1		
	Total	12		

Q	uesti	on	Answer		Guidance
7	(a)*		 Level 3 (5–6 marks) at least E3,4 and 2 or 5 at least P1,2 and 5 There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated. Level 2 (3–4 marks) expect 3 points from E and 2 points from P or 2 points from E and 3 points from P There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is in the most-part relevant and supported by some evidence. Level 1 (1–2 marks) at least 2 points from E and 1 point from P or vice versa. There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant. 0 marks No response or no response worthy of credit. 	B1 x 6	 Experiment (E) Adjust the potential divider to low or zero voltage connect flying lead to one LED increase voltage until LED just lights or strikes repeat several times and average to find V_{min} repeat for each LED shield LED inside opaque tube to judge strike more accurately. Processing (P) a graph of V_{min} against 1/λ will be a straight line through the origin so need to calculate values of 1/λ then draw line of best fit through origin gradient G = V_{min} λ = hc/e hence h = eG/c
	(b)	(i)	frequency	B1 B1	Allow reverse argument in terms of photons, e.g. the photon-model can explain the threshold frequency and why the KE of the electrons is dependent on frequency.

Mark Scheme

Que	stion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
	(ii)	h = $32 \times 10^{-20}/5 \times 10^{-14}$	C1	sensible attempt at gradient gains 1 mark
		= 6.4 x 10 ⁻³⁴ (J s)	A1	
	(iii)	8.75 ± 0.25 x 10 ¹⁴ (Hz)	B1	tolerance is to within grid square
	(iv)	$\varphi = 6.4 \times 10^{-34} \times 8.75 \times 10^{14}$	C1	ecf (b)(i)(ii)
		$= 5.6 \times 10^{-19} (J)$	A1	
		Total	13	

Summary of updates

Date	Version	Change
January 2019	2.0	Minor accessibility changes to the paper: i) Additional answer lines linked to Level of Response questions ii) One addition to the rubric clarifying the general rule that working should be shown for any calculation questions