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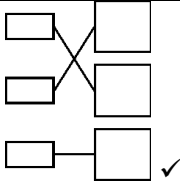
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G491 Physics in Action

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
1	a	$C s^{-1}$ ✓	1	not A
1	b	$J C^{-1}$ ✓	1	not V
2		diameter in pixels D $3300 < D < 3800$ pixels ✓ $400 \times$ diameter in pixels / 1000 (km) ✓ m	1 1	accept direct estimate method accept ruler method 7 cm / 8 cm x 4100 \approx 3600 pixels method ecf on other pixel values ≤ 4100 must convert to km accept correct bare final diameter estimate within range 1.3×10^3 to 1.5×10^3 (km) for 2 marks
3	a		1	3 correct links for 1 mark otherwise zero
3	b	same period of waveform / same lowest frequency / lowest component of spectrum ✓	1	accept same fundamental frequency not same wavelength / any reference to wavelength not same main frequency not all have 500 Hz
4	a	$R = V/I = 90 / 0.5 \times 10^{-3}$ ✓ $= 180\,000$ (Ω) ✓	1 1	method evaluation accept 180 (k Ω) / 1.8×10^5 (Ω) allow ecf on powers of ten e.g. 180 (Ω) for missing mA

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
4	b	$N = I/e = Qt/e =$ $0.5 \times 10^{-3} / 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \checkmark$ $= 3.1(3) \times 10^{15}$ (electrons s^{-1}) \checkmark	1 1	method accept symbols / words / correct numbers evaluation allow both marks for correct evaluation if no method
5	a	$= 44\,100 \times 16 \times 2 / 8 =$ 176 400 (bytes s^{-1}) \checkmark	1	accept also 176 000 / 180 000 / 1.8×10^5 (bytes s^{-1})
5	b	ratio of voltages = $0.2 / 2 \times 10^{-6} = 10^5 \checkmark$ $\log_2(10^5) = 16.6$ (so 16 bits adequate) / $2^{16} = 65\,536 < 10^5$ / $2^{17} = 131\,072 > 10^5 \checkmark$	1 1	allow one mark for stating / unsuccessful attempt to evaluate correct equation : $b \leq \log_2(V_{total} / V_{noise})$ / $2^b \leq (V_{total} / V_{noise})$ accept ora i.e. calculation of voltage resolutions with 16 or 17 bits with sensible comment for full credit not any credit for only qualitative answers
6	a b	$(G = 1/2.5) = 0.4 \checkmark S \checkmark$ $(G_{total} = 3 \times 0.4) = 1.2 \checkmark S$	2 1	accept correct answer without method allow unit mark from either line but credit in a accept Ω^{-1} / $A V^{-1}$ for unit mark not unit mark for con units in a and b
7	a	constant ratio / factor (of scale divisions) \checkmark	1	accept $\times 10$ / times 10 / goes up in powers of ten not goes up in tens
7	b	glasses have smaller range of cost and a smaller range of recyclable fraction than metals \checkmark	1	must mention both features and comparison explicitly clear not any similarity ora
7	c	metals can be melted or reformed <u>more easily</u> \checkmark / metals are <u>easier</u> to separate e.g. by magnet / ceramics undergo irreversible change once formed but <u>metals don't</u>	1	allow any sensible reasoned <u>comparison</u> pro metal / anti ceramics identifying any problem with recycling not metals are malleable / ceramics are brittle ignore incorrect physics if basic idea is correct e.g. bonding reasoning
Section A total			19	

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
8	a	neoprene has (fairly) uniform stiffness /	1	any 3 out of 4 correct points: at least one from second material take stiffness to mean difficulty to stretch accept discussion of stress / force / difficulty of stretching remember 6 x original length means strain = 5 not neoprene fractures at strain greater than 6 not any credit or mention of quicker / speed not double award for a statement repeated as its converse
		neo stiffness increases slightly (with strain) ✓	1	
		rubber has more variable stiffness ✓ specific qualification of rubber graph into either 2 or 3 regions e.g. stiff then stiffer or stiff then less stiff then more stiff ✓ rubber is harder to stretch than neo / neoprene easier to pull ✓	1	
8	bi	$(E = \Delta \text{stress} / \Delta \text{strain}) = 30 \times 10^6 / 4$ ✓ m $= 7.5 \times 10^6$ (Pa) ✓ e standalone mark for correct SF ✓ 2 SF	1 1 1	accept gradient at (4,30) giving $(1.5 \text{ to } 1.9) \times 10^7$ Pa not taken from wrong graph treat SF mark as standalone for other incorrect evaluations allow missing M as 1 error so 7.5 Pa scores 2 by ecf allow 3 marks for bare answer 7.5×10^6 (Pa)
8	ii	<u>less</u> since $17.5 \times 10^6 / 3 = 5.8(3) \times 10^6$ / $5.8(3) \times 10^6 < 7.5 \times 10^6$ ✓	1	accept less since gradient is less / less since graph curves upwards (beyond strain of 3) / less since stress is a smaller proportion of the strain must have less and reason
8	ci	strain = 80 cm / 20 cm = 4.(0) ✓	1	not 5
8	ii	stress = 18 MPa ✓ (from rubber graph) $A = F / \text{stress}$ / $= 30 / 18 \times 10^6$ ✓ m $= 1.7 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$ ✓ e	1 1 1	allow ecf from (i) e.g. strain of 5.0 \Rightarrow 29 MPa and $A = 1.0(3) \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$ for 3 accept ecf on dropped M for 1.7 m ² for 2 marks allow max 1 ($A = F / \text{stress}$) if correct stress taken from wrong graph
		Total	11	

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
9	ai	(u) measurable to accuracy ≈ 1 mm / is very much less than the uncertainty in v / is very much less than the value of u ✓	1	accept ora because (the value of) u is large compared to the uncertainty accept light source can be placed at a (precisely) known distance from lens / image position is judged with difficulty AW not because u is the variable that is changed / because uncertainties in u are not significant
9	ii	Smaller $ u $ / larger v leads to increase in uncertainty ✓	1	not just uncertainty increases accept less negative u means object nearer lens etc. allow any reference to u as meaning $ u $ if not specified
9	bi	both points plotted correctly ✓ uncertainty bar for larger uncertainty ✓ best-fit straight line (never more than 2 small squares away from perfect line) ✓	1 1 1	both points to nearest small graph square credit if correct vertical length (4 small graph squares) even if wrongly placed accept well plotted line even if no intercept(s) not curved lines of best fit / free-hand lines (by eye)
9	ii	$P = \text{intercept} = 5.5 \pm 0.1$ (D) ✓ / $P = 1/v - 1/u$ e.g. = $4.5 - (-1.0) = 5.5$ $f = 1/P = 0.18$ to 0.19 m ✓	1 1	allow e.c.f. from bi graph not credit for 5.5 (m) in answer line allow for calculation to 1 graph square from their graph not incorrect signs e.g. = $4.5 - 1.0 = 3.5$ (D) allow e.c.f. for incorrect P
9	ci	less uncertainty ✓	1	
9	ii	answer must be on the behaviour of the lens different colours focussed at different lengths from lens ✓ lens focuses rays from near centre of lens to a single point (but nearer the edge focal point varies) ✓	1 1	One mark for chromatic aberration improved AW One mark for spherical aberration improved AW not lens is thicker hence more powerful near the centre not is better near the centre
		Total	10	

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
10	ai	$R = 1.3 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$ ✓ m	1	$R = D/2$ explicit for first method mark accept $R = (2.1 \text{ nm} / 8) / 2 = 1.3(1) \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$ must evaluate correctly for 2 nd 'show that' mark allow $9.47 \times 10^{-30} \text{ m}^3$ based on values 2.1 nm / 8 given bare correct answer scores 1
		$V = (4/3) \pi R^3 = 9.2(1) \times 10^{-30} \text{ m}^3$ ✓ e	1	
10	aii	(density = $9.3 \times 10^{-26} / 9.2 \times 10^{-30}$) = $1.0(1) \times 10^4 \text{ (kg m}^{-3}\text{)}$ ✓ e	1	accept $1.0(3) \times 10^4 \text{ (kg m}^{-3}\text{)}$ by ecf on given volume in i accept $0.98(2) \times 10^4 \text{ (kg m}^{-3}\text{)}$ by ecf on allowed volume from i not any other ecf from i
10	iii	(density = $1.26 / (0.04 \times 0.05 \times 0.08)$) = $7900 \text{ (kg m}^{-3}\text{)}$ ✓ e (< aii)	1	accept $7.8(8) \times 10^3$ / $7875 \text{ (kg m}^{-3}\text{)}$ density comparison not needed for the mark
10	b	spheres do not fit perfectly together / there are gaps between them / copper surface in (a) decreases the natural spacing in iron crystal / measurement in (a) done at a lower temp. so atoms closer together ✓	1	AW ora throughout accept stacked spheres do not fill the whole of the space taken up by metal
		volume per atom is bigger than calculated in (ai) ✓	1	
10	c	change in structure identified e.g. atoms closer (c) / more densely packed ✓	1	AW throughout minimum answer: e.g. atoms closer together ∴ density rises accept conductivity rises or falls QWC mark for c on next page
		consequent change in properties identified e.g. so denser / so harder / so stronger / so stiffer ✓	1	

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
10	c	<p>consequent change in properties clearly explained</p> <p>e.g. because same mass in smaller volume / atoms bonded to more close neighbours ✓</p>	1	<p>QWC</p> <p>because for fixed mass volume falls / conductivity rises because charge carrier density increases / conductivity falls because scattering probability rises ora for resistivity</p> <p>3rd mark is for QWC: is given for reference to structural changes related to diagram followed by attempt to explain consequence even if some physics details incorrect</p>
		Total	9	

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
11	ai	potential divider method: $V = 6 \times 500 / (260 + 500) \checkmark$ m = 3.9(5) V (≈ 4 V) \checkmark e / OR current method: $I = 6 / (500 + 260) = 7.9$ mA $V = IR = 7.9 \times 10^{-3} \times 500 \checkmark$ m = 3.9(5) V \checkmark e	1 1	may do these parts in reverse order if current method is used; mark all a together allow both marks for bare 3.9(5) V
	ii	$I = V / R = 6 / (500 + 260) = 7.9$ mA	1	accept ecf $4 / 500 = 8.0$ mA / $2 / 260 = 7.7$ mA
11	b	potential divider method: thermistor takes a bigger share of the 6V / 500 Ω takes a smaller share \checkmark so p.d. measured falls \checkmark / current method: resistance of circuit increases and current falls \checkmark so smaller current gives a smaller voltage across 500 Ω \checkmark	1 1	AW can recalculate values for full credit: $V = 0.29$ V $I = 9.5 \times 10^{-5}$ A
11	c	central heating operates at room temp. near 20°C while a fire operates $\gg 20^\circ\text{C}$ \checkmark resistance hardly changes near typical room temperatures \checkmark / R changes rapidly once T gets much higher \checkmark / low sensitivity in low T region \checkmark / high sensitivity in high T region \checkmark / unreliable since two temperatures give same R value between 0 and 20°C \checkmark	1 2	QWC requires clear link between typical temperatures of events and graph any further 2 correct points accept e.g. sensitivity is <u>greater</u> for higher temperatures for 2 marks as comparison is explicit

11	di		$P = I^2 R = 0.5^2 \times 260 \quad \checkmark \text{ m}$ $= 65 \text{ (W)} \quad \checkmark \text{ e}$	1 1	
11	ii		thermistor will heat up (rapidly) and its resistance will rise (significantly, and current fall) \checkmark	1	both points for 1 mark minimum answer: heats and R rises
			Total	11	
			Section B total:	41	

Grade Thresholds

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Unit Threshold Marks

Unit		Maximum Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
G491	Raw	60	39	33	28	23	18	0
	UMS	90	72	63	54	45	36	0

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