# **MARKSCHEME**

**May 2002** 

**PHYSICS** 

**Standard Level** 

Paper 3

## Subject Details: Physics SL Paper 3 Markscheme

#### General

A markscheme often has more specific points worthy of a mark than the total allows. This is intentional. Do not award more than the maximum marks allowed for part of a question.

When deciding upon alternative answers by candidates to those given in the markscheme, consider the following points:

- Each marking point has a separate line and the end is signified by means of a semicolon (;).
- An alternative answer or wording is indicated in the markscheme by a "/"; either wording can be accepted.
- Words in ( ... ) in the markscheme are not necessary to gain the mark.
- The order of points does not have to be as written (unless stated otherwise).
- If the candidate's answer has the same "meaning" or can be clearly interpreted as being the same as that in the mark scheme then award the mark.
- Mark positively. Give candidates credit for what they have achieved, and for what they have got correct, rather than penalising them for what they have not achieved or what they have got wrong.
- Remember that many candidates are writing in a second language. Effective communication is more important than grammatical accuracy.
- Occasionally, a part of a question may require a calculation whose answer is required for subsequent parts. If an error is made in the first part then it should be penalised. However, if the incorrect answer is used correctly in subsequent parts then **follow through** marks should be awarded. Indicate this with "ECF", error carried forward.
- Units should always be given where appropriate. Omission of units should only be penalised once. Indicate this by "U-1" at the first point it occurs. Ignore this, if marks for units are already specified in the markscheme.
- Deduct 1 mark in the paper for gross sig dig error *i.e.* for an error of 2 or more digits.

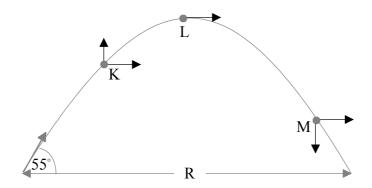
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Indicate the mark deduction by "SD-1". However if a question specifically deals with uncertainties and significant digits, and marks for sig digs are already specified in the markscheme, then do **not** deduct again.

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#### **OPTION A — MECHANICS EXTENSION**

**A1.** (a)



horizontal components constant and equal (within reason) to that at the origin; vertical component at K "up" and < at the origin; [1] vertical component at M "down" and magnitude > at K and < at the origin; [1] Deduct [1] for vertical component at L.

[3 max]

(b) at maximum height,  $v_{vert} = 0$ ; [1] This need not be explicitly stated as it is implied by the following equation.

 $v_{vert} = 0 = 20 \sin 55 - gt;$   $20 \sin 55$ 

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{20\sin 55}{g} = 1.67 \text{ s} = 1.7 \text{ s} \text{ (2 significant digits);}$$
[1]

[3 max]

(c) projectile is in the air for  $2 \times 1.67$  s; [1]

Alternatively,  $y = 0 = 20 \sin 55 t - \frac{1}{2} gt^2$  gives time of flight.

hence 
$$R = v_{horiz} t_{total}$$
; [1]  
=  $20 \cos 55 \times 2 \times 1.67 = 38.4 \text{ m} = 38 \text{ m}$  (2 significant digits); [1]  
[3 max]

A2. (a) (i) They should show at least implicit understanding that the amount of work that needs to be done to get to infinity is finite; and the projectile must have a greater amount of KE than this (at the surface); [1]

Some acceptable statements: the projectile must have sufficient KE (at the surface) so that it can - get to "infinity" / always move to greater r / always be capable of receding;

as  $r \to \infty, v > 0$ ;

if the total energy at any radius > 0, then the trajectories are hyperbolas (projectile  $\rightarrow \infty$ );

(ii) we require that 
$$\Delta KE = \Delta U_g$$
 from  $r \to \infty$ ; [1]

Award [1] for any attempted use of conservation of energy.

hence 
$$\frac{1}{2}mv_{esc}^2$$
 (not required:  $U_f - U_i = mV_f - mV_i$ ) =  $\frac{GMm}{r}$ ; [1]

Sufficient here is the realisation that the KE at the surface must be at least enough to provide the required PE. It's not the intention that they get bogged down with negative signs.

$$\Rightarrow v_{esc} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{2GM}{r}\right)};$$
 [1]

[3 max]

(b) 
$$v_{esc} = \sqrt{\frac{2GM}{r}}$$
  
 $= \sqrt{\frac{2G \times 2 \times 10^{15}}{5 \times 10^3}};$  [1]  
 $= 7.31 = 7 \,\text{ms}^{-1} \, (1 \, significant \, digit);$ 

[2 max]

(c) (i) for a circular orbit: 
$$\frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{GMm}{r^2}$$
; [1]

$$\Rightarrow v = \sqrt{\left(\frac{GM}{r}\right)} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{G \times 2 \times 10^{15}}{5 \times 10^3}\right)}$$

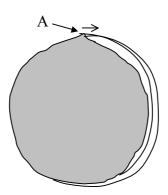
$$=5.17 = 5 \,\mathrm{m \, s^{-1}} \, (1 \, significant \, digit);$$
 [1]

of course a candidate may realize that  $v_{esc} = \sqrt{2} \times v_{orbit}$ 

[3 max]

(ii) "Any path" that describes  $\geq \frac{1}{4}$  circle is OK

i.e. any path that is more than just a "parabolic" trajectory;



[1 max]

#### OPTION B — ATOMIC AND NUCLEAR PHYSICS EXTENSION

#### **B1.** (a) Essential points:

each series arises from transitions from higher energy states to a **particular** lower energy state;

[1]

for the higher energies (smaller wavelengths), the energy levels become closer together (the energy level differences become smaller)  $\rightarrow$  crowding of the wavelengths at the short wavelength end of a series;

[1]

*Main (other) points:* 

there is a **minimum energy** transition for each series and therefore a **maximum** wavelength;

[1]

there is a **maximum energy** transition for each series and therefore a **minimum wavelength**;

[1]

Other points for which a mark can be given:

Lyman series: final state n = 1; Paschen series: final state n = 3;

Hydrogen atom energy levels vary as:  $E_n \sim \frac{1}{n^2}$ , and hence become closer together

for transitions from higher energies (larger *n*);

[4 max]

(b) any spectral line in the visible / Balmer series; the third line;

[1]

[1]

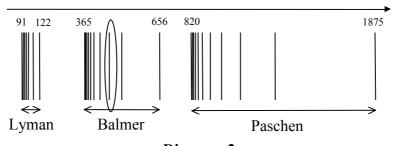


Diagram 2

[2 max]

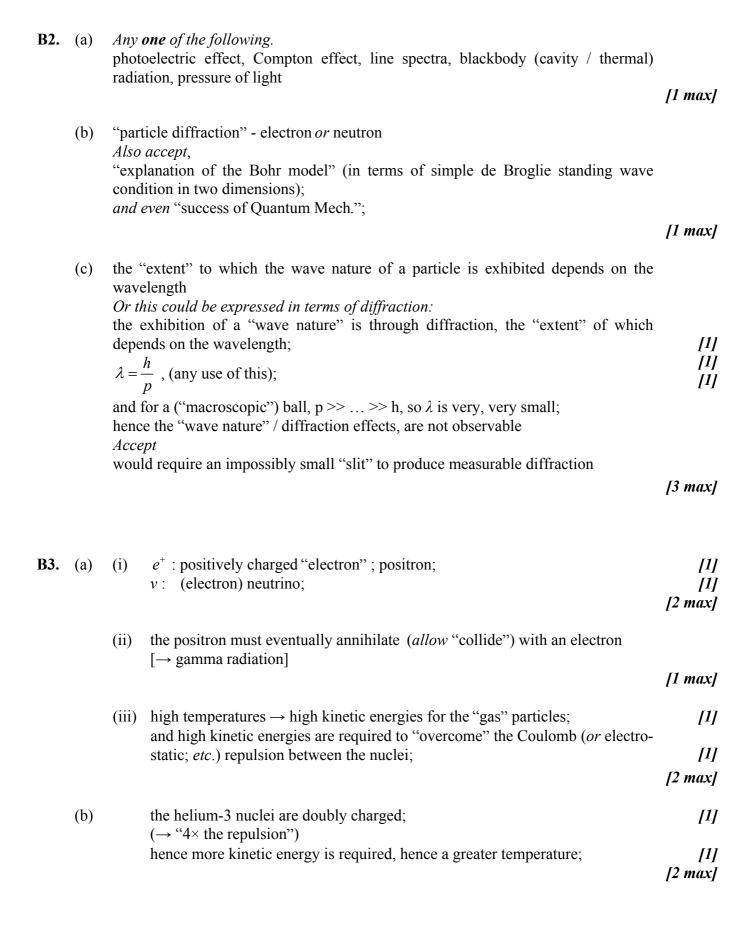
(c) 
$$E = hf = \frac{hc}{\lambda} \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{hc}{E}$$
, for a photon of energy  $E$ . [1]

$$\frac{hc}{E} = \frac{hc}{(3.4 - 0.54) \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}};$$

Note that we are not concerned here with "double negatives"

 $= 434 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m} = 434 \text{ nm} = 430 \text{ nm}$  (2 significant digits);

Allow [1] (max) if conversion from eV has been omitted, but otherwise correct.



#### **OPTION C — ENERGY EXTENSION**

C1. (a) 
$$e = \frac{(T_{HOT} - T_{COLD})}{T_{HOT}}$$
; [1]

$$\approx \frac{(2400-300)}{2400}$$
;

The mark is for a reasonable estimate of  $T_{COLD}$ : 270 – 400 K

(= 90% (1 significant digit))

[3 max]

(b) Any two of the following up to [2 max].

 $T_{HOT}$  is never attained (it is < 2400 K) by the "working fluid"

incomplete combustion

T<sub>COLD</sub> is at the higher temperature of the exhaust gasses

frictional energy losses

not an ideal (Carnot cycle) heat engine

Note an unqualified "energy losses" will receive [0].

[2 max]

(c) 
$$e = \frac{W}{Q_{HOT}} \Rightarrow Q_{HOT} = \frac{35 \text{ kJ/s}}{0.2} (=175 \text{ kW});$$
 [1]

the energy released to the atmosphere = 
$$Q_{COLD} = Q_{HOT} - W$$
; [1]

35 kJ/s 
$$\left(\frac{1-0.2}{0.2}\right)$$
 = 140 kJ/s = 140 kW;

or "by proportion": 35 kW = 
$$\frac{1}{5}$$
 energy consumed  $\Rightarrow \frac{4}{5}$  = 140 kW = 140 kJ/s

[3 max]

(d) degraded thermal energy is:

at a "lower temperature"

[1]

To achieve the second mark, these have to be qualified along the lines of:

"harder" to extract useful work from

or "harder" to transform into work

or becomes "less available" to do useful work;

[2 max]

[1]

(e) Award [1] for any sensible statement along the lines of:

entropy change is a measure of energy degradation / is directly related to  $Q_{\text{COLD}}$ , the amount of degraded energy.

Award [1] for any additional qualification:

in irreversible processes the amount of degraded energy,  $Q_{COLD} > 0$ , just as the entropy change > 0;

entropy is high when energy is "disordered" / spread over many molecules;

the greater the degradation of the energy, the greater the entropy change;

the greater amount of degraded energy the greater the entropy change;

C2. Award any two of the following advantages of solar radiation, up to [2 max].

lack of "emissions" possible on a small scale

possible in remote areas

abundant in many developing countries

other nontrivial / reasonable points

Award any two of the following for disadvantages of solar radiation, up to [2 max].

requires special sites / lack of suitable sites

unreliable / depends on local weather conditions

periodic generation / needs a storage system to provide energy over 24 hours

takes up large areas / aesthetics

direct conversion to electrical energy expensive

other nontrivial / reasonable points

[4 max]

C3. (a) the efficiency that the second law refers to is of energy conversion to **useful work**. *It is essential that this be recognised.* 

[1]

Additional points

this is not the case here, no useful work is produced.

[1]

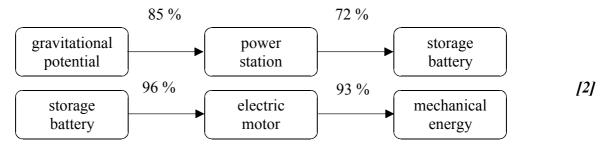
or here only thermal energy is produced.

or all the energy is degraded. (i.e. the "real" efficiency is in fact 0 %)

or all energy forms must ultimately end up as (degraded) thermal energy.

[2 max]

(b) relevant efficiencies:



overall efficiency =  $85 \times 72 \times 96 \times 93 = 55$  %;

Award [1] for omission of one factor and [0] for omission of two factors

Accept if some include one (or two) "transformers" in the chain; efficiency factors ~99%.

#### **OPTION D — BIOMEDICAL PHYSICS**

**D1.** (a) Award [2 max] for three or four correct labels, [1] for two correct labels and [0] if only one label is correct.

Label 1 = aorta Label 2 = arteries or arterioles

Label 3 = capillaries Label 4 = veins *or* venules

Accept "artery" for Label 1 but then need "arterioles" for Label 2.

The answers to (b) and (c) below rest on the "conservation of matter" and the incompressibility of blood.

(b) the same blood flow rate Q; must be carried by a greater cross sectional area of vessels, hence blood velocity must be reduced;

[2 max]

[1]

[1]

(c) heart output = Area  $\times v_{\text{average}}$ ; [1]

$$\Rightarrow v_{\text{average}} = \frac{100 \,(\text{cm}^3 \,\text{s}^{-1})}{8 \,\text{cm}^2} = 12 \,\text{cm} \,\text{s}^{-1} = 10 \,\text{cm} \,\text{s}^{-1} \,(1 \,\text{significant digit});$$
[1]

[2 max]

**D2.** (a) mass of water  $\propto L^2$ ; [1] normal body mass  $\propto L^3$ ;

$$\Rightarrow \text{ ratio} = \frac{\text{mass of water}}{\text{normal body mass}} \propto \frac{L^2}{L^3} = \frac{1}{L}$$

[2 max]

(b) 
$$\frac{\text{ratio human}}{\text{ratio fly}} \approx \frac{L_{fly}}{L_{human}}$$
; [1]

This assumes the "proportionality constants" are equal which, given the totally different nature of the animals, is stretching things a bit! If any candidate makes an explicit (sensible) reference to this aspect they should be rewarded, with up to [1] subject to the [3 max].

$$L_{fly} \approx 10 \,\text{mm} \, (accept \sim 5 - 20 \,\text{mm});$$
[1]

$$\Rightarrow \text{ ratio fly} \approx \text{ ratio human} \times \frac{L_{human}}{L_{fly}} = \frac{1\% \times 1700}{10} = 170\% \text{ (accept $\sim 75 - 400\%)}$$
[1]

(accept a maximum of 2 significant digits);

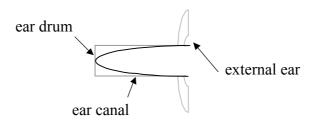
[3 max]

[1 max]

### **D3.** (a) 20 Hz to 20 kHz; (Accept 35 Hz $\pm 15$ Hz $\rightarrow$ 19 kHz $\pm 1$ kHz.)

(b) (i) Accept representations other than displacement amplitude, e.g. pressure amplitude.

Accept different ways of representing the varying amplitude.



[1 max]

(ii) 
$$\frac{\lambda}{4} = 2.7 \,\mathrm{cm} \implies \lambda = 10.8 \,\mathrm{cm}$$
; [1]

$$f = \frac{c}{\lambda};$$

$$\frac{343}{0.108} = 3200 \,\text{Hz} \,(2 \,\text{significant digits});$$

[3 max]

(c) The details are complex; look for a general understanding and (as usual), reward other correct observations and any meaningful / relevant diagrams, particularly if labelled.

impulses; sound passing down the cochlea causes a membrane to vibrate; [1]

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(The membrane is of varying thickness and under a varying tension and so)

different parts of the membrane respond to different frequencies;

[1]

thus the nerve cells attached to the membrane (fine hairs) are mainly stimulated at certain positions for a given sound frequency;

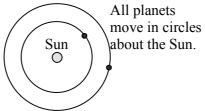
it is here that the vibrations of the sound wave are transformed into electrical

[4 max]

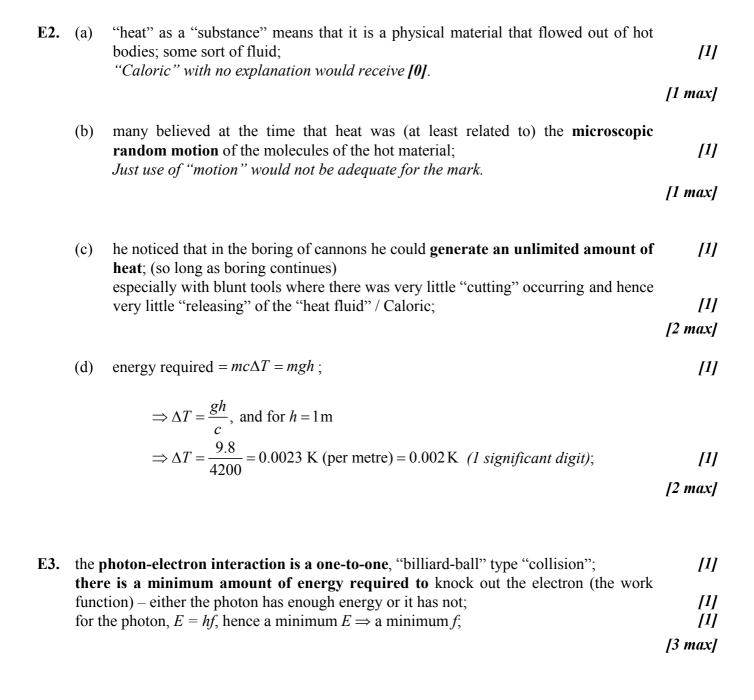
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# **OPTION E — HISTORICAL PHYSICS**

E1. (a) (i) all planetary paths must be shown as (or somehow indicated to be) circles

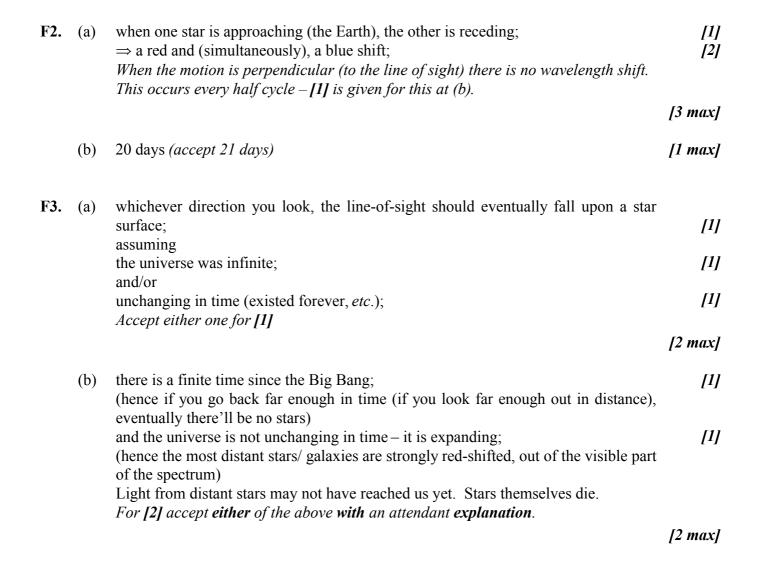


		Allow a single planet shown and even the addition of an epicycle.	[1 max]
	(ii)	Sun and Stars' motion is apparent; due to the spin of the Earth in the "opposite" sense;	[1] [1] [2 max]
(b)	(i)	Award [1 max] for any one of the following.  phases of Venus; varying brightness of planets; "rough" features on the Sun and Moon (hence they are not "perfect spheres"); Sun rotates; Jupiter has moons;	[1] [1] [1] [1]
	(ii)	in a geocentric model, the Earth is at the centre of "all heavenly motion"; why an explanation of the stated observation fails in such a model; The first two observations above are "inexplicable" / have no natural explanation and the last three are philosophically not acceptable in such a model.	[1] [1]
(c)	orhit	es were ellipses not circles;	[2 max]
(0)		the Sun at one focus;	[1]
		sun shown "off centre"	
	A go	od diagram can be a full description and receive full marks.	[2 max]
(d)	(i)	an empirical relationship is a rule or set of rules that allow certain events / observations to be predicted but with no underlying physical principle. <i>or</i> an empirical relationship provides a "numerical" agreement <i>or</i> guess a formula which fits the facts	
			[1 max]
	(ii)	Newton's Laws of Motion; Newton's Law of Gravity;	[1] [1] [2 max]



# ${\bf OPTION}\;{\bf F} - {\bf ASTROPHYSICS}$

F1.	(a)	(i)	Deneb would be bluish and Antares A reddish;  Accept Deneb is white / whitish / violet etc	[1]
			because Deneb is at a higher (surface) temperature;	[1]
			at higher temperatures a greater proportion of the energy is radiated in the blue part of the visible spectrum;  Accept any sensible reference to temperature.	[1]
				[3 max]
		(ii)	Antares A is brighter than Deneb (accept – about the same brightness); because it has a smaller apparent magnitude;	[1] [1] [2 max]
		(iii)	Deneb is further away than Antares A;	[1]
			Deneb's absolute magnitude is smaller $\Rightarrow$ Deneb's luminosity $>$ Antares A, but it looks fainter;	[1]
			Do not accept "because the parallax angle is too small to measure" for the second mark.	[1]
			secona mark.	[2 max]
	(b)	$d = \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{0.006}$ pc;	[1]
		= $3.26 \times 9.46 \times 10^{15} \times \frac{1}{0.006} = 5.1 \times 10^{18}$ , accept $5 \times 10^{18}$ m (1 significant digit);	[1]	
			0.006	[2 max]
	(c)		$\sigma A T^4$ ;	[1]
		$\frac{L_{A}}{L_{B}}$	= 40 (forming the ratio);	[1]
		$=\frac{A}{A}$	$\frac{A_A \times 3000^4}{A_B \times 15000^4} \Rightarrow \frac{A_A}{A_B} = 5^4 \times 40 = 25000;$	[1]
		Dedi	uct only [1] if inverse ratio obtained $(4 \times 10^{-5})$ .	
				[3 max]



# OPTION G — SPECIAL AND GENERAL RELATIVITY

G1.	(a)		easure the speed of the Earth through the ether / to investigate the existence of ther / investigate influence of Earth's motion on speed of light / TTE	[1 max]
	(b)	null 1	result / no detectable velocity	[1 max]
	(c)	of the	le out the possibility of an "accidental" null result – at any one time the speed e Earth, by chance, could be zero; null result was obtained ( $\Rightarrow$ speed = 0), at one time (of the year) / in one station, then it couldn't be so at a later time / in another orientation;	[1] [1]
			full marks, candidates should be aware that rotation of apparatus was expected oduce a <b>shift</b> in the fringe pattern.	[2 max]
	(d)	speed (= "a ⇒ ti	ence must be made to either (or both) of the hypotheses – "constancy of the d of light" or "all experiments performed in an inertial frame of reference all physical laws") must produce the same results"; me differences / phase shifts between the arms do not change with season / station. <i>i.e.</i> result is independent of orientation / etc.;	[1] [1] [2 max]
G2.	(a)	(i)	travel time to Alpha Centauri (Earth's frame) = $\frac{4.2}{0.95}$ = 4.4(2) y	[1 max]
		(ii)	$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)}} = 3.2;$ $\Delta t_{\text{astro}} = \frac{4.42}{v};$	[1] [1]
			= 1.3(8) y (Astro's measure a proper time);	[1] [3 max]
	(b)	(i)	time passed on Earth's clocks = $2 \times 4.42 = 8.8(4)$ y;	[1]
		(ii)	time passed on astronauts' clocks = $2 \times 1.3(8) = 2.7(6)$ y;	[1] [2 max]
	(c)	(i)	Just saying this is the "Twin Paradox" is not acceptable – [0] marks. essential point: (on first appearances), any time difference should be "reversible"; the (implicit) assumption being that descriptions of the events from the two frames of reference are completely equivalent;	[1] [1] [2 max]

(ii) the two frames of reference are not equivalent; and some reasonable (not necessarily "perfect") explanation of why would also receive [1]. the astronauts must have accelerated in order to have "stopped" and returned or accelerations tell us who was "really" moving / their frame of reference was non-inertial or the astronauts had to switch from one inertial frame to another; [1]

[2 max]

**G3.** (a) Answers can be in terms of:

the photon energy, hence frequency, reducing with distance or increasing wavelength with distance;

The bare statement that this is "red shift" would receive [0] while "gravitational red shift" would receive [1].

[2 max]

[2]

(b) Award [1] for identifying any **one** experiment and [1] for a brief description. [Pound - Rebka] – sending  $\gamma$  rays down a tower and measuring the frequency change,  $\Delta f$  [positive].

[Hafele and Keating] – flying atomic clocks around the world and measuring the  $\Delta t$  relative to clocks at rest with respect to the Earth.

atomic clock sent in a rocket up to  $10^4$  km and measuring  $\Delta t$ , as above.

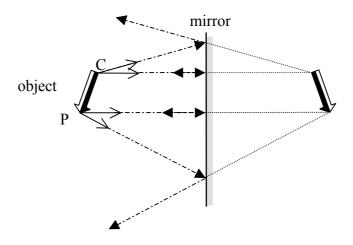
#### **OPTION H — OPTICS**

H1. (a) properly extended rays; [2]

Allow for some error / variation.

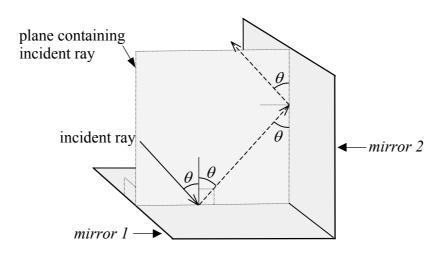
correct orientation; [1]

(image of "C" closer to the mirror than of "P" and black / white "reversal")



If path of rays is extended to mirror but not reflected, you can still award full marks so long as image orientation and location are correct.

(b) (i) reflected path; geometric argument based on angle of incidence = angle of reflection; [1] and some geometry (alternate angles are equal; complementary angles = 90°; etc.); [1]



[3 max]

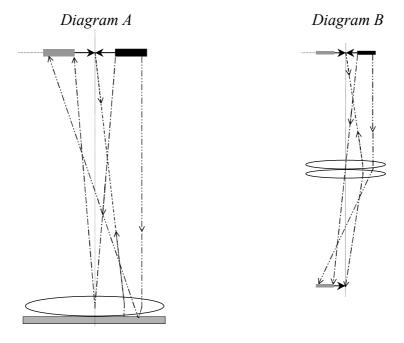
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(ii) Award [1 max] for any one of the following. rear vehicle / bicycle reflectors
 "cats-eyes" reflectors on roads
 "corner reflectors" on the Moon or any other applications

**H2.** (a) Given the open-ended nature of the question, the markscheme cannot be too rigid. The following can serve as a guide:

•	general understanding of situation (even if poorly expressed);	[2]
•	general quality of ray diagram (ruled lines, accuracy, care taken);	[1]
•	discussion of role of mirror or other relevant detail;	[1]
•	each correctly drawn ray;	[2]

The answer could be along the lines that the mirror acts as a second identical lens plus a reflection (see Diagram B).



[4 max]

- (b) image is real [1 max]
- (c) Allow magnification = 1 (accept same size), 0 ("no magnification") or -1 (implying inverted) [1 max]
- (d) the image will move **closer** to the lens [1 max]

H3. (a)  $d \sin \theta = n\lambda$  (for maxima); [1]  $\Rightarrow d \sin \theta = 1 \times \lambda \text{ for } \theta = 0.50^{\circ} \text{ (the scale can easily be read to 2 significant figures);} [1]$   $\Rightarrow d = \frac{434 \times 10^{-9}}{\sin 0.50} = 5.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m (= 0.050 mm);}$  [1]

Using  $\theta = 0.25^{\circ}$  to get  $9.95 \times 10^{-5}$  m gets [1] max.

[3 max]

(b) Award [1] per feature shown on the diagram below, up to [3 max].

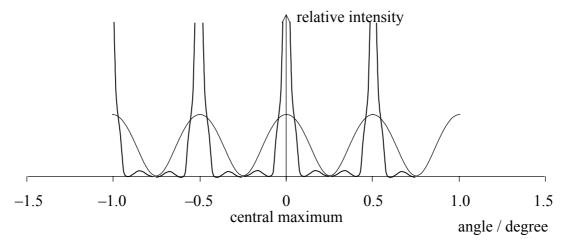
narrower "lines";

maxima in the same positions;

greater intensity (clearly, correct scaling is not required);

secondary, much smaller, maxima (there should be two but this is not critical);

It is not necessary to show all maxima as long as the candidate clearly shows he/she knows what's up e.g. see below



[3 max]