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Option A — Mechanics Extension

A1. (a) $v^2 = 30^2 - 2 \times 10 \times s$;
 $v^2 = 0$;
 $s = 45 \text{ m}$;

or

$t = 3.0 \text{ s}$;
 $s = 30 \times 3.0 - \frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times 3.0^2$;
 $s = 45 \text{ m}$;

Accept valid alternative methods.

[3]

(b) $X = 20 \times 6.0$;
 $X = 120 \text{ m}$;

[2]

A2. (a) (i) (deceleration due to) gravitational pull of Earth;

[1]

(ii) $a = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{5100 - 5370}{600}$;
 $a = -0.45 \text{ ms}^{-2}$;

[2]

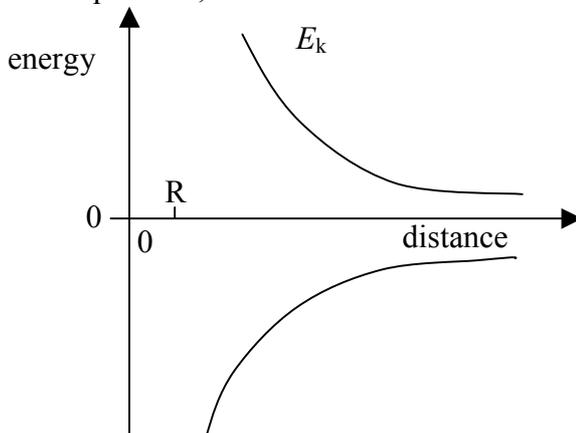
(iii) *ECF from (ii):*

$E = \frac{F}{m}$;
 $E = a$;
 $E = -0.45 \text{ N kg}^{-1}$;

[3]

Accept ms^{-2} as correct units.

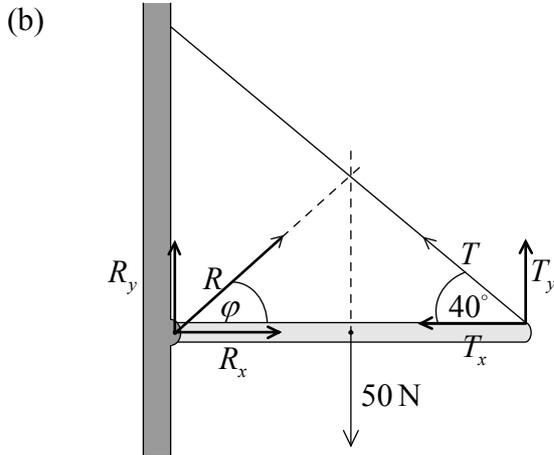
(b) general shape ($1/r$);
 correct quadrant;



No need to show the curve further away from the distance axis to achieve full marks.

[2]

- A3. (a) general direction upward at an angle to wall and beam;
 direction through point of intersection of wire and line of action of W ; [2]
 Accept line of action of R within 3 mm of point of intersection.



resolve horizontally:

$$T_x = 39 \cos 40^\circ = 30 \text{ N}$$

$$|R_x| = |T_x| = 30 \text{ N};$$

resolve vertically:

$$T_y = 39 \sin 40^\circ = 25 \text{ N};$$

$$|R_y + T_y| = 50 \Rightarrow |R_y| = 25 \text{ N};$$

$$\tan \phi = \frac{R_y}{R_x} = \frac{25}{30} \Rightarrow \phi = 40^\circ;$$

$$R = \sqrt{30^2 + 25^2} = 39 \text{ N};$$

[5 max]

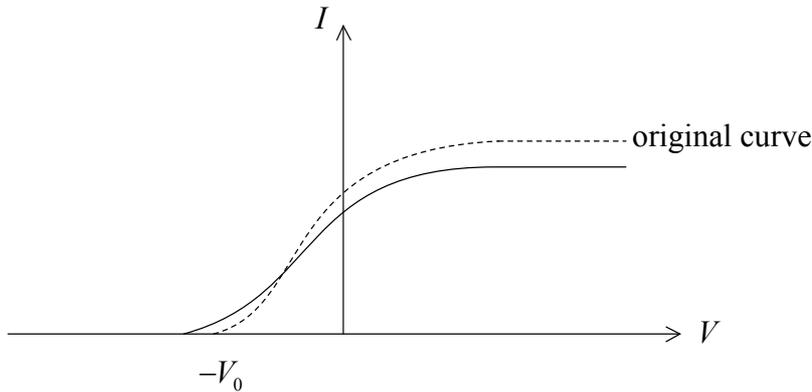
Award [1] for the direction of R (angle ϕ). Allow argument using symmetry.

Option B — Quantum Physics and Nuclear Physics

- B1.** (a) light consists of photons;
 number of photons/sec determines intensity of light;
 each photon extracts an electron (from metal);
 therefore, current is proportional to intensity of light;

[4]

(b)



V_0 is lower / more negative;
 general shape of curve (same);
 saturation current smaller;

[3]

- B2.** $\lambda = \frac{hc}{\Delta E}$;
 $\Delta E = 2.88 \times 10^{-15} \text{ J}$;
 $\lambda = \frac{6.63 \times 10^{-34} \times 3.00 \times 10^8}{2.88 \times 10^{-15}}$
 $\lambda = 6.9 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}$;

[3]

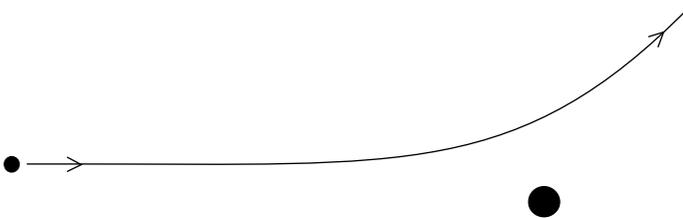
B3. (a) (i) activity = $(-\lambda)N$;

$$\lambda = \frac{4.25 \times 10^2}{8.90 \times 10^{19}} = 4.78 \times 10^{-18} \text{ s}^{-1} ;$$
 Allow $1.51 \times 10^{-10} \text{ yr}^{-1}$. [2]

(ii)
$$T_{1/2} = \frac{\ln 2}{4.78 \times 10^{-18}} = 1.45 \times 10^{17} \text{ s} ;$$

$$= 4.60 \times 10^9 \text{ years} ;$$
 [2]

(b) e.g. activity would change during analysis to find N / rate of change of activity is too great to allow $N(t)$ to be determined / *OWTTE*; [1]



path B must show reasonable curvature in correct position (hyperbolic);
 Line should show symmetry about nucleus. [2]

(b) α -particle comes to rest when $E_K = E_p$ / all KE is converted to (electrostatic) PE;

$$\text{EPE} = \frac{2Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} = E_K ;$$

therefore, r can be estimated; [3]

Option C — Energy Extension

- C1.** (a) *internal energy*: (random translational) kinetic energy of atoms/molecules; [1]
- (b) (i) 546 K; [1]
- (ii) temperature doubled but pressure remains constant;
hence volume doubled to 44.0 m³;
- or*
- $V \propto T$;
 therefore, volume doubled to 44.0 m³; [2]
- (c) (i) $W = 0$; [1]
- (ii) $\Delta W = p_A (V_C - V_A)$
 $= 1.01 \times 10^5 \times 22.0$;
 $= 22.2 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$; [2]
Note the ECF from (b)(ii).
- (iii) work done on the gas;
 because the volume is decreasing; [2]
Award [0] for a bald statement without any attempt at reasoning.
- (iv) total work done by gas in cycle is
 $\Delta W = 0 + 31.5 \times 10^5 - 22.2 \times 10^5$;
 work output = $9.3 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$; [2]
- C2.** (a) (i) $P = \frac{\rho \pi r^2 v^3}{2} = \frac{1.3 \times \pi \times 7.5^2 \times 9.0^3}{2}$;
 $P = 8.4 \times 10^4 \text{ W}$; [2]
- (ii) the speed of air (mass) cannot drop to zero / *OWTTE*; [1]
- (iii) 1. idea of less KE available for the next turbine;
 2. idea of turbulence; [2]
- (b) *advantage*:
statement: wind is a renewable source of energy / clean source of energy;
comment: any relevant comment re statement;
- disadvantage*:
statement: number of turbines required is very large (about 270) / noise / ugly site / ecological impact;
comment: any relevant comment re statement; [4 max]
Award [1] for each statement and [1] for each comment re statement.
N.B. some aspect(s) might be considered to be an advantage or disadvantage (e.g. ugliness/beauty of site), accept both.

Option D — Biomedical Physics

- D1.** stress = F/A ;
 maximum stress = W/A ;
 in new bone $A_2 = 4A_1$;
 \Rightarrow new $W_2 = 4W_1$; **[4]**
Award full marks for correct answer with any sensible reasoning.

- D2.** (a) IL (sound intensity level) = $10 \lg (I/I_0)$;
 where $I_0 = 1.0 \times 10^{-12} \text{ W m}^{-2}$; **[2]**

- (b) intensity at eardrum = $\frac{2.8 \times 10^{-7}}{1.9 \times 10^{-5}} = 1.5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ W m}^{-2}$;
 $IL = 10 \lg \left(\frac{1.5 \times 10^{-2}}{1.0 \times 10^{-12}} \right)$;
 $= 100 \text{ dB}$; **[3]**
Accept 102 dB.

- (c) long exposure / loud sound would cause deafness/tinnitus; **[1]**

- D3.** (a) (i) $3.0 (\pm 0.1) \text{ mm}$; **[1]**

- (ii) $\mu = \frac{\ln 2}{t_{1/2}}$;
 $\mu = \frac{\ln 2}{3.0 \text{ mm}} = 0.23 \text{ mm}^{-1}$; **[2]**
Allow ECF from (i) above range gives values from 0.20 mm^{-1} to 0.28 mm^{-1} .

- (b) $\frac{I}{I_0} = e^{-\mu x}$;
 $\frac{I}{I_0}$ greater $\Rightarrow \mu$ smaller;
 \Rightarrow half-thickness will be greater (greater intensity for same thickness of bone); **[3]**
Award [2 max] for correct statements with no explanation.

- (c) abdomen has approximately constant μ ;
 barium meal has high μ value;
 barium meal lines stomach;
 so outline of stomach becomes clear; **[4]**

Option E — The History and Development of Physics

- E1.** (a) Copernicus \Rightarrow planets move in circle about the Sun
Kepler \Rightarrow planets move in ellipses about the Sun;
Copernicus \Rightarrow hypothesis
Kepler \Rightarrow based on experimental data; **[2]**
- (b) an inverse square law between the Sun and planets;
this force produced the orbital motion of the planets;
and accounted for the elliptical orbits;
able to derive Kepler’s law (of periods) theoretically; **[3 max]**
- E2.** straight-line as a result of force;
curve as a result of weakening of force;
vertical when no force;
vertical (downward) motion is natural motion; **[4]**
- E3.** (a) to determine the equivalence between mechanical energy and thermal energy / *OWTTE*; **[1]**
- (b) weights raised by turning handle;
then allowed to fall so turning the paddle;
mass of weights and height of fall measured;
mass of water measured;
rise in temperature of water measured;
repeat to obtain measurable temperature; **[5 max]**
- E4.** (a) (i) fluorescence glowing;
a shadow (of the cross) opposite to cathode/cross; **[2]**
- (ii) the shadow moved; **[1]**
- (b) (presence of) shadow \Rightarrow rays move along straight-line as light does / rays cast a shadow as light does;
shadow moves \Rightarrow a magnet does not influence light; **[2]**

Option F — Astrophysics

F1. (a) there is an equilibrium;
between radiation pressure and gravitational pressure / *OWTTE*; [2]

(b) *visual binary*:
stars (of system) can be separated through a telescope/binoculars / *OWTTE*;
spectroscopic binary:
(analysis of) light spectrum (from system) reveals two different (classes of) stars; [2]

F2. (a) (class M \Rightarrow low surface temperature \Rightarrow) red; [1]

(b) $d(\text{pc}) = \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{5.0 \times 10^{-3}} = 200 \text{ pc}$;
 $200 \text{ pc} \times 3.26 \times 9.46 \times 10^{15} = 6.2 \times 10^{18} \text{ m}$; [2]

(c) (i) use of $L = b(4\pi d^2)$;
 $L = (1.6 \times 10^{-8}) \times (4\pi) \times (6.2 \times 10^{18})^2$;
 $L = 7.6 \times 10^{30} \text{ W}$; [3]

(ii) $T = \frac{2.9 \times 10^{-3}}{\lambda_{\text{max}}} = \frac{2.9 \times 10^{-3}}{935 \times 10^{-9}}$;
 $T = 3100 \text{ K}$; [2]

(d) $L = \sigma T^4 (4\pi R^2) \Rightarrow R = \frac{(L)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(\sigma T^4 4\pi)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$;
 $R = \frac{(7.6 \times 10^{30})^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(5.67 \times 10^{-8} \times (3100)^4 (4\pi))^{\frac{1}{2}}}$;
 $\frac{R}{R_s} = \frac{R}{7.0 \times 10^8} = 500$; [3]

- F3.** (a) the intensity of illumination falls off as $1/r^2$;
(since stars uniformly distributed) the number of stars seen from Earth increases as r^2 ;
therefore, the sky should be equally bright in any direction / *OWTTE*; **[3]**
Award [1] for “in any direction, the line of sight will encounter the surface of a star \Rightarrow sky as bright as sun”.
- (b) the BB model leads to the idea of the expansion of the universe;
the BB model leads to the idea that the observable universe is not infinite; **[2 max]**
*Award [1] for “because the universe (stars) is not infinitely old” (universe far younger than necessary for us to see a star in every direction. Finite speed of light means that we are not receiving light from all sources) / *OWTTE*.*

Option G — Relativity

G1. (a) proper time is the time measured in a FR at rest with respect to events;
clock is at rest with respect to muon; [2]

(b) calculated value of gamma, $\gamma = 5.0$;

$$T_m = \frac{T_g}{\gamma} = \frac{10.2}{5.0} = 2.0 \mu\text{s}; \quad [2]$$

G2. c is constant in all FR / *OWTTE*;
shorter path length to L for Nino;
so flash on L seen first by Nino; [3]

G3. (a) transformations made under the assumptions that time measurements (and space measurements) are independent of the observer;
Accept “absolute”. [1]

(b) (i) $u_x = u'_x + v = 0.9800c + 0.9800c = 1.9600c$; [1]
Accept $-1.9600c$ corresponding to $-$ values of v and u'_x .

(ii)
$$u_x = \frac{u'_x + v}{1 + \frac{u'_x v}{c^2}} = \frac{0.9800c + 0.9800c}{1 + \frac{0.9800c(0.9800c)}{c^2}};$$

$$u_x = 0.9998c;$$
 [2]

Accept $-0.9998c$ corresponding to $-$ values of v and u'_x .

(c) in (b)(i) $v > c$;
since this is not possible, then the Galilean transformation equation is not applicable; [2]

G4. (a) *RME*: rest mass times c^2 ;
TE: sum of RME + kinetic energy (assuming no potential energy); [2]

(b) 938 MeV; [1]

(c) $\gamma m_0 c^2 = m_0 c^2 + Ve$;

$Ve = \gamma m_0 c^2 - m_0 c^2$

$Ve = m_0 c^2 (\gamma - 1)$;

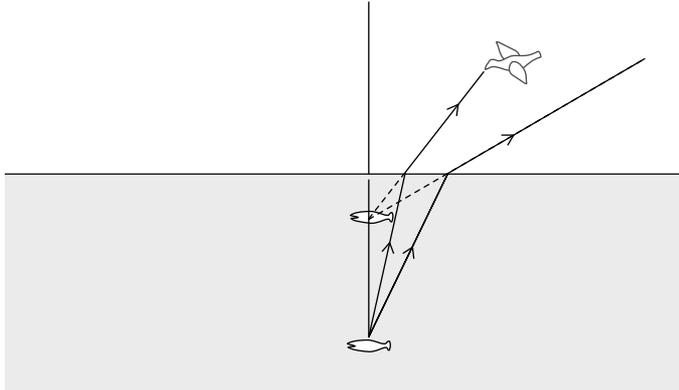
$Ve = 938(4.0)$;

$V = 3750 \text{ MV}$; [4]

Option H — Optics

- H1.** (a) oscillating (varying) electric and magnetic fields/electromagnetic waves; [1]
 (b) (i) X-rays; [1]
 (ii) 10^{14} Hz / 10^{15} Hz; [1]

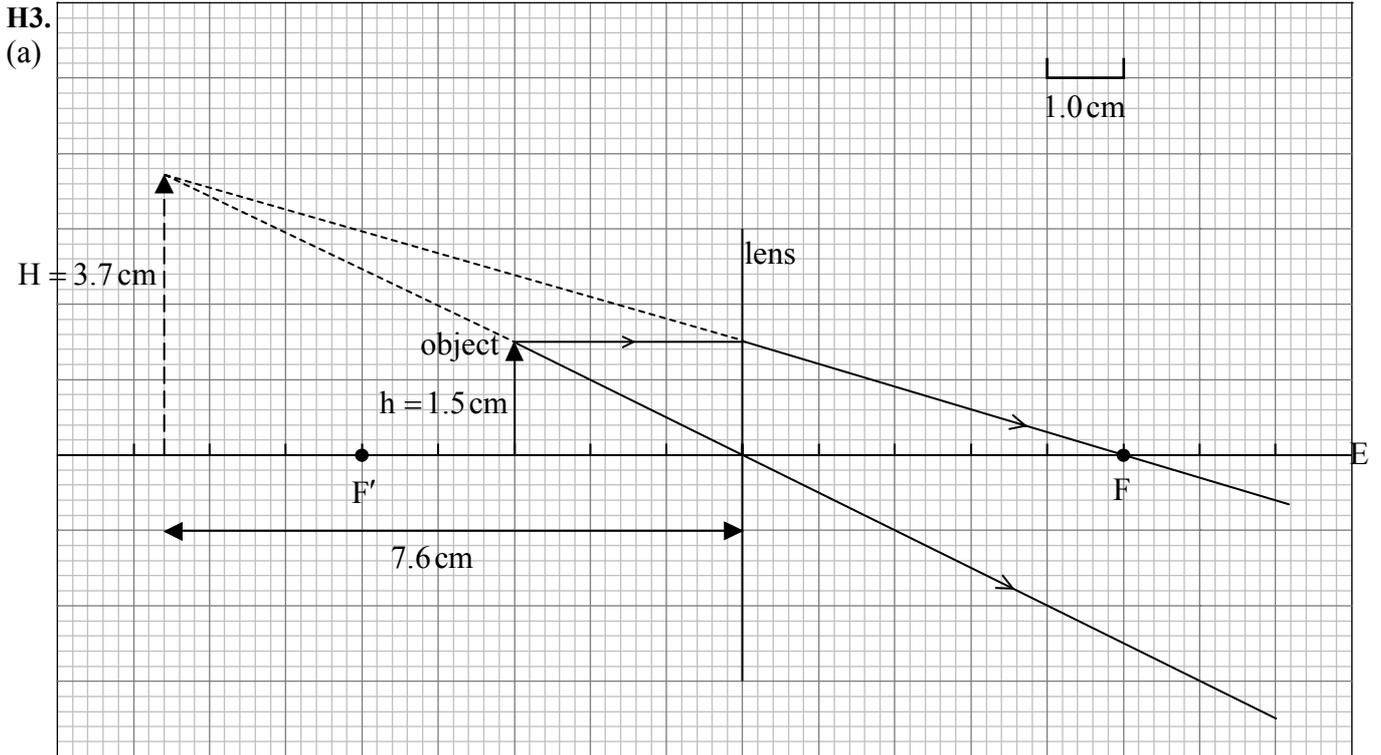
- H2.** (a) (i)



one ray from fish with correct refraction;
 2nd ray from fish with correct refraction;
 rays backward to give correct position of image; [3]
Here only a qualitative explanation (diagram) is expected, since no numerical values are given. A quantitative solution is asked for in part (a)(iii).

- (ii) virtual since extension of rays gives its position / appear to come from fish / OWTTE; [1]

(iii) $n = \frac{\text{real depth}}{\text{apparent depth}}$;
 apparent depth = $\frac{48}{1.3} = 37$ cm ; [2]



ray through centre (pole) of lens;
ray parallel to principal axis;
location of image between 6.9 cm and 8.1 cm ;
Accept other suitable ray.

[3]

(b) eye to the right of lens;

[1]

(c) magnification = $\frac{H}{h} = \frac{3.7}{1.5}$;
= 2.5 (± 0.2);

or

$v = 7.6$ cm

$u = 3.0$ cm

$m = \frac{7.6}{3.0}$;

= 2.5 (± 0.2);

[2]

(d) (i) converging (convex) lenses;

[1]

(ii) $\frac{1}{3.4} + \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{4.0}$;

$v = (-)22.7$ cm ;

magnification: $\frac{22.7}{3.4} = 6.7$;

total magnification: $6.7 \times 24 = 160$;

Allow two sig fig for answer (-)25 cm.

\Rightarrow magnification = 7.4

\Rightarrow total magnification = 180

[4]