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PHYSICS 0972/31

Paper 3 Theory (Core)

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1 hour 15 minutes

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

DO NOT WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

Answer all questions.

Electronic calculators may be used.

You may lose marks if you do not show your working or if you do not use appropriate units.

Take the weight of 1.0 kg to be 10 N (acceleration of free fall = $10 \,\text{m/s}^2$).

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

1	(a)	A student has a metal object	t.
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(i)	The student measures the mass of the object.	
	State the name of the equipment used to measure the mass.	
		[1]

(ii) The mass of the metal object is 1260 g. The volume of the metal is 150 cm³.Calculate the density of the metal. Include the unit.

(iii) The mass of the metal object is given in grams. State the mass in kg.

(b) A vase is placed on a table. Forces X and Y act on the vase, as shown in Fig. 1.1.

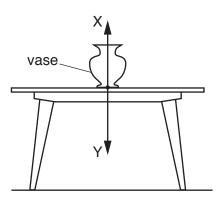


Fig. 1.1

The mass of the vase is 0.25 kg. The vase is not moving.

Calculate the value of force X and the value of force Y.

X					 			-												
v																				

[4]

[Total: 10]

2 Fig. 2.1 shows a man pushing down on a lever to lift one end of a heavy log.



Fig. 2.1

(a) State the term used to describe the turning force exerted by the man.

.....[1]

(b) (i) Fig. 2.2 shows the forces acting as the man starts to lift the heavy log.

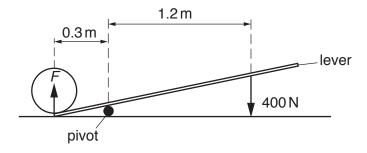


Fig. 2.2

Calculate the force F, exerted by the lever on the heavy log.

force $F = \dots$ N	[3
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(ii) Describe how the man can use a smaller force to lift the heavy log.



[Total: 5]

3 A teacher investigates the reaction time of five students. A 0.50 m ruler is held above the hand of a student before being allowed to fall. The arrangement is shown in Fig. 3.1.

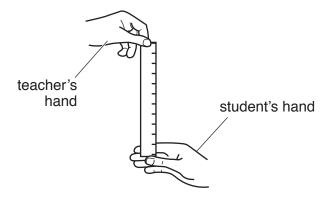


Fig. 3.1

As soon as the ruler falls the student closes their hand, catching the ruler. The further the ruler falls, the greater the reaction time of the student. The results obtained are shown in Fig. 3.2.

distance ruler falls/cm

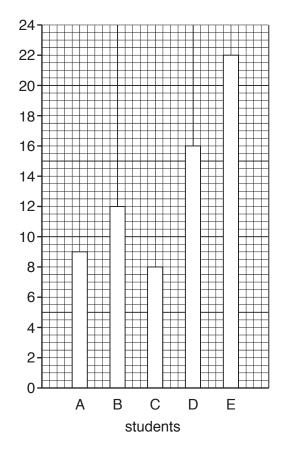
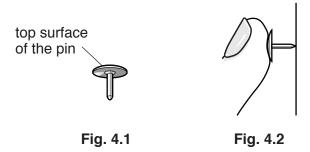


Fig. 3.2

		5		
(a)	Using the re	esults shown in Fig. 3.2, calcula	ate the average distance tha	at the ruler drops.
(b)		average of their reaction ne has been done for you.	listance =times, with the shortest rea	
		order	student	
		1st		
		2nd		
		3rd	В	
	,	4th		
		5th		
(c)	In a similar	investigation, a ruler drops a	distance of 11 0cm and b	[2]
(0)	of 16 cm/s.	investigation, a rulei drops a	distance of Triochi and I	ias an average speed
	Calculate th	e reaction time.		
				ro.
		reacti	on time =	s [3]
				[Total: 7]

4 Fig. 4.1 shows a pin. Fig. 4.2 shows a person pushing the pin into a wall.



(a) (i) The area of the top surface of the pin is 1.8 cm². The person applies a force of 50 N.Calculate the pressure exerted on the top surface of the pin.

(ii) The area of the top surface of the pin is 500 times larger than the area of the point. Calculate the value of the pressure exerted by the point on the wall.

(b) Fig. 4.3 shows a simple device for measuring atmospheric pressure.

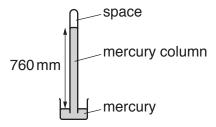


Fig. 4.3

(i) State the name given to the device shown in Fig. 4.3.

.....[1]

(ii) State what, if anything, is in the space at the top of the tube, above the mercury column.

.....[1]

(iii) Fig. 4.3 shows normal atmospheric pressure. Suggest a possible value for the height of the mercury column when atmospheric pressure decreases. Include the unit.

reading =[1]

[Total: 7]

5

(a)	(i)	Explain what is meant by the term <i>non-renewable</i> .	
			[1]
	(ii)	There are other non-renewable sources of energy.	
		Place a tick in the box by each non-renewable source of energy.	
		nuclear	
		oil	
		solar	
		wave	
		wind	
			[1]
(b)	Sta	te two advantages and two disadvantages of using natural gas as an energy source.	
		advantages	
		1	
		2	
		disadvantages	
		1	
		I	
		2	
			 [4]

6 A liquid-in-glass thermometer is placed in some ice made from pure water. The ice is heated. It changes to water and then to steam.

The graph in Fig. 6.1 shows how the temperature varies with time. The values of temperature are missing from the y-axis.

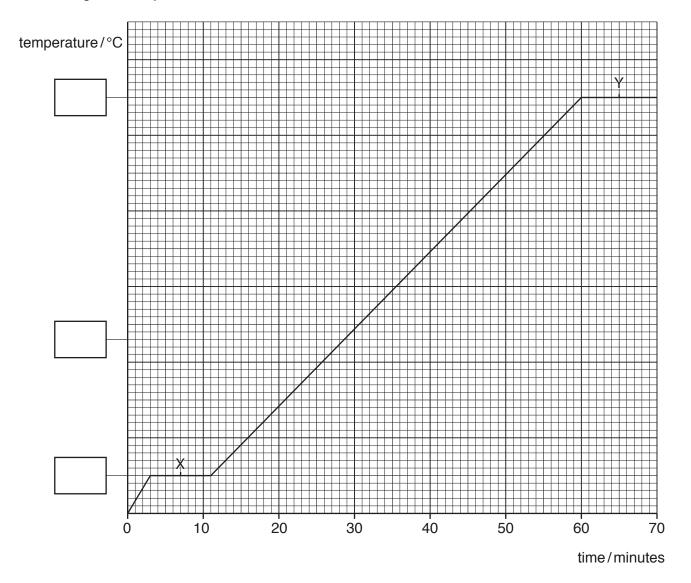


Fig. 6.1

(a) On Fig. 6.1, suggest a value for the temperature at each of the three points marked on the y-axis.

Write a value in each of the boxes.

[2]

(b)	In both section X and section Y the line on the graph is horizontal.	

For each section, state the name for the process taking place and explain what is happening to the molecules.

(i)	section X	
	name	
	explanation	
		[2]
(ii)	section Y	
	name	
	explanation	
		[2]

[Total: 6]

7 (a) Fig. 7.1 shows some devices that each use one type of electromagnetic radiation.

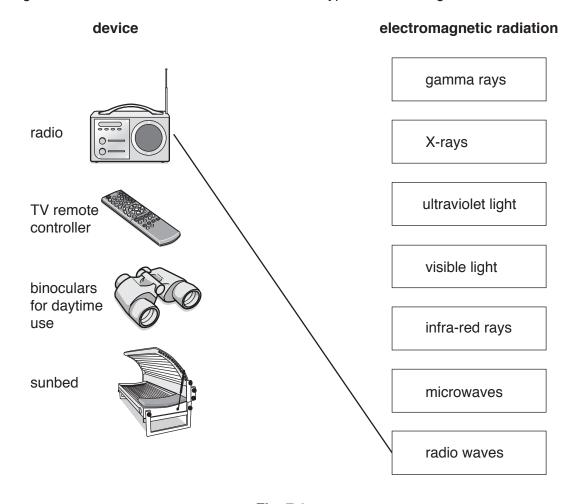


Fig. 7.1

Draw one line from each device to the correct type of electromagnetic radiation. One has been done for you. [3]

(b)	(i)	State the	e name of one t	ype of radiation	n that has	a longer wavelen	gth than visible lig	ht.
								. [1]
	(ii)	Comple	te the sentence	about electron	nagnetic ra	idiation. Use a wo	ord from the box.	
			amplitude	frequency	speed	wavelength		
		All types	s of electromagn	netic radiation t	ravel throu	ıgh a vacuum wit	n the same	
								[1]

[Total: 5]

8 (a) A student rubs a plastic rod with a dry cloth, as shown in Fig. 8.1. The rod becomes negatively charged.

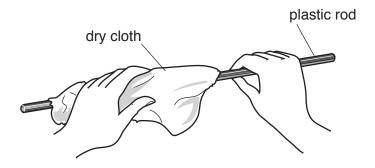


Fig. 8.1

(i) Use words from the box to complete the sentence.

(b)

		air	cloth	electrons	hand	neutrons	protons	
	The	rod bed	comes ne	gatively charg	jed becau	se		move from the
				to the ro	od.			[2]
(ii)	The othe		t moves tl	ne rod close t	o a suspe	nded, charg	ed rod. The t	wo rods repel each
	State	e the ty _l	pe of cha	rge on the sus	spended r	od.		
								[1]
(iii)	Expl	ain you	r answer	to (a)(ii) .				
								[1]
A d	evice	has a n	netal case	e. Any charge	on the ca	se must be	able to move	to earth.
(i)	Drav	v one ri	ng aroun	d a material th	nat is suita	able for the o	connection to	earth.
			copper	glass	pla	stic r	rubber	[1]
(ii)	Expl	ain you	r answer	to (b)(i) .				
								[1]
								[Total: 6]

9 A student makes a circuit to switch on a 6.0 V lamp from two different switches X and Y.

Fig. 9.1 shows the circuit.

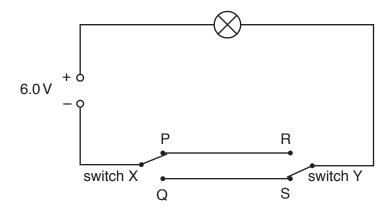


Fig. 9.1

(a)	Switch X is in position	P. State the position of switch	Y for the lamp to be lit.
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......[1]

(b) The current in the lamp is 0.50 A when the potential difference (p.d.) across the lamp is 6.0 V. Calculate the resistance of the lamp. Include the unit.

resistance =[4]

(c) The student connects another 6.0 V lamp in parallel with the first lamp, as shown in Fig. 9.2.

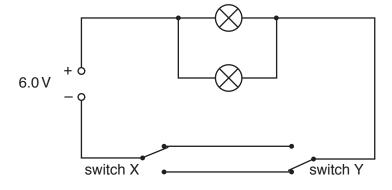


Fig. 9.2

Give **two** advantages of connecting the lamps in parallel.

[Total: 7]

10 (a) A teacher demonstrates the action of a device. Fig. 10.1 shows the symbol for the device.



Fig. 10.1

State the name of this device.

.....[1]

(b) Fig. 10.2 shows another device being used in a circuit. The circuit contains a 6.0 V lamp.

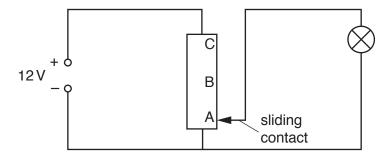


Fig. 10.2

(i) The sliding contact of this device is at position A, as shown in Fig. 10.2.

Describe and explain the brightness of the lamp when the sliding contact is in this position.

orightness of lamp
explanation

(ii) The teacher moves the sliding contact from position A to position B. Describe and explain what happens to the brightness of the lamp.

(iii) The teacher moves the sliding contact from position B to position C. Suggest what happens to the lamp.

[1]
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[Total: 6]

[2]

11 (a) Fig. 11.1 shows in each of the diagrams a current-carrying conductor and a magnetic field pattern.

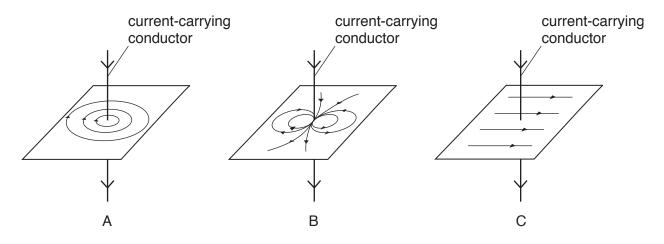


Fig. 11.1

State the diagram which correctly shows the magnetic field around a current-carrying conductor.

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(b) Fig. 11.2 shows three pieces of equipment.

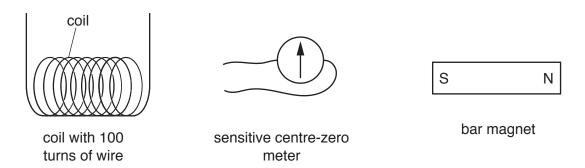


Fig. 11.2

(i) Describe how to generate and detect an electromotive force (e.m.f.) using the equipment in Fig. 11.2. You may draw a diagram.

(ii)	Describe two changes that will generate a larger e.m.f. using similar equipment to that ir Fig. 11.2.						
	[2						

(c) A student connects a lamp and centre-zero galvanometer in series with a generator, as shown in Fig. 11.3.

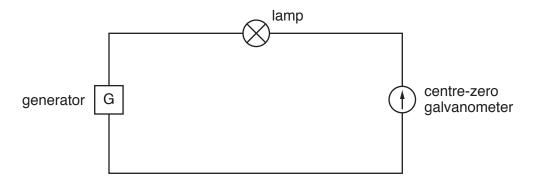


Fig. 11.3

The student observes the galvanometer needle moving from side-to-side repeatedly.

Explain why the needle moves in this way.

[1]

[Total: 7]

12	(a)	Use words from the box to complete the sentences about the charges in an atom. Words can be used once, more than once or not at all.							
				negative	neutral	positive			
		The	e charge o	on the nucleus of an	atom is				
		The	e charge o	on a proton is					
		The	e charge o	on electrons orbiting	the nucleus is		[3		
	(b)	Αn	ucleus of	radium-226 has the	nuclide notation s	hown.			
					²²⁶ Ra				
		(i)	Determi	ne the number of pro	tons in a nucleus	of radium-226.			
							[1		
		(ii)	Determi	ne the number of ne	utrons in a nucleu	s of radium-226.			
							[1		
		(iii)	Radium	has another isotope	, radium-223.				
			Write the	e nuclide notation for	radium-223 in the	e space.			
							[1		
	(c)	Rad	dium-226	has a half-life of 160	0 years.				
		A sample contains 8.0 mg of radium-226.							
		y 1.0 mg of radium-226 rem	nains.						

time = years [2]

[Total: 8]

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