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Annotation		Meaning
	Correct response	Used to indicate the point at which a mark has been awarded (one tick per mark awarded).
	Incorrect response	Used to indicate an incorrect answer or a point where a mark is lost.
AE	Arithmetic error	Do not allow the mark where the error occurs. Then follow through the working/calculation giving full subsequent ECF if there are no further errors.
BOD	Benefit of doubt given	Used to indicate a mark awarded where the candidate provides an answer that is not totally satisfactory, but the examiner feels that sufficient work has been done.
BP	Blank page	Use BP on additional page(s) to show that there is no additional work provided by the candidates.
CON	Contradiction	No mark can be awarded if the candidate contradicts himself or herself in the same response.
ECF	Error carried forward	Used in <u>numerical answers only</u> , unless specified otherwise in the mark scheme. Answers to later sections of numerical questions may be awarded up to full credit provided they are consistent with earlier incorrect answers. Within a question, ECF can be given for AE, TE and POT errors but not for XP.
L1	Level 1	L1 is used to show 2 marks awarded and L1^ is used to show 1 mark awarded.
L2	Level 2	L2 is used to show 4 marks awarded and L2^ is used to show 3 marks awarded.
L3	Level 3	L3 is used to show 6 marks awarded and L3^ is used to show 5 marks awarded.
POT	Power of 10 error	This is usually linked to conversion of SI prefixes. Do not allow the mark where the error occurs. Then follow through the working/calculation giving ECF for subsequent marks if there are no further errors.
SEEN	Seen	To indicate working/text has been seen by the examiner.
SF	Error in number of significant figures	Where more SFs are given than is justified by the question, do not penalise. Fewer significant figures than necessary will be considered within the mark scheme. Penalised only once in the paper.
TE	Transcription error	This error is when there is incorrect transcription of the correct data from the question, graphical read-off, formulae booklet or a previous answer. Do not allow the relevant mark and then follow through the working giving ECF for subsequent marks.
XP	Wrong physics or equation	Used in <u>numerical answers only</u> , unless otherwise specified in the mark scheme. Use of an incorrect equation is wrong physics even if it happens to lead to the correct answer.

^	Omission	Used to indicate where more is needed for a mark to be awarded (what is written is not wrong but not enough).
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Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed Mark Scheme (to include abbreviations and subject-specific conventions).

Annotation	Meaning
/	alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point
Reject	Answers which are not worthy of credit
Not	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

General rule: For substitution into an equation, allow any subject – unless stated otherwise in the guidance

Question			Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)	(i)	$(F = ma =) 190 \times 10^3 = 2.1 \times 10^5 a$ $a = 0.90 \text{ (m s}^{-2}\text{)}$	M1 A0	$a = 0.905$ to 3 SF
		(ii)	$(v^2 = u^2 + 2as \text{ gives}) 36 = 2 \times 0.90 \times s$ $s = 20 \text{ (m)}$	C1 A1	Allow any valid <i>suvat</i> approach; allow ECF from (a)(i) Note using $a = 1$ gives $s = 18\text{(m)}$
		(iii)1	$P = Fv$ One correct calculation e.g. $F = 100 \times 10^3$ and $v = 42$ gives $P = 4.2 \times 10^6 \text{ (W)}$ $Fv = \text{constant}$	B1 B1 B1	Equation must be seen (not inferred from working) Allow any corresponding values of F and v ; working must be shown. No credit for finding area below curve Allow F is proportional to $1/v$ or graph is hyperbolic or correct calculation of Fv at <u>two</u> points (or more)
		(iii)2	$(P = VI = 4.2\text{MW so}) 4.2 \times 10^6 = 25 \times 10^3 \times I$ $I = 170 \text{ (A)}$	C1 A1	Allow $P = 4\text{MW}$ or ECF from (iii)1 Expect answers between 160 - 170 (A)
	(b)	(i)	$R (= \rho L/A) = 1.8 \times 10^{-8} \times 1500/1.1 \times 10^{-4}$ $R = 0.25 \text{ (}\Omega\text{)}$	C1 A1	
		(ii)	$E = \sigma/\epsilon = T/A\epsilon \text{ (so } T = EA\epsilon\text{)}$ $T = 1.2 \times 10^{10} \times 1.1 \times 10^{-4} \times 0.013$ $T = 1.7 \times 10^4 \text{ (N) or } 17 \text{ (kN)}$	C1 C1 A1	or calculation of $\sigma = 1.56 \times 10^8 \text{ (Nm}^{-2}\text{)}$ or $T = 1.56 \times 10^8 \times 1.1 \times 10^{-4}$
Total				13	

Question			Answer	Marks	Guidance
2	(a)	(i)	$R = 3000 + 1500$ $V = 12 \times 1500/4500 = 4(.0) \text{ (V)}$	C1 A1	$R = 4500 \text{ (}\Omega\text{)}$ <i>or</i> $I = V/R = 12/4500 = 2.67 \text{ mA}$ $V_{1500} = 2.67 \text{ mA} \times 1.5 \text{ k}\Omega = 4.0 \text{ (V)}$
		(ii)	$V (= 12 \times 1500/1600) = 11.25 \text{ (V)}$ $\Delta V = 11.25 - 4.0 = 7.25 \text{ (V)}$	C1 A0	
	(b)		see next page		

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
	(b) *	<p>Level 3 (5–6 marks) Clear description of a valid experiment which would lead to accurate results, sensible suggestions for table, graph and accuracy</p> <p><i>There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.</i></p> <p>Level 2 (3–4 marks) Reasonable description of experiment and sensible suggestion for table or graph or accuracy, or attempt at all three</p> <p><i>There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is in the most-part relevant and supported by some evidence.</i></p> <p>Level 1 (1–2 marks) Attempt at experiment and attempt at table or graph or accuracy</p> <p><i>There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant.</i></p> <p>0 marks No response or no response worthy of credit.</p>	B1 x 6	<p>Indicative scientific points may include:</p> <p>Experiment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diagram(s) to show electrical circuit and/or set-up of apparatus • Use ammeter in series to measure current I through LED • Use micrometer to measure thickness of (one sheet of) tracing paper • or use calliper with m sheets of thickness t; measure t and use $x = mt$ • Measure I for various x • Calculate $\ln I$ <p>Results table</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need columns for total thickness x (or number of sheets m and $x = mt$), current I, $\ln(I)$ • Units if included should be appropriate and presented in an appropriate format e.g. $\ln(I/\text{mA})$ <p>Graph</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • plot $\ln I$ against x • expect straight line graph with negative gradient and non-zero intercept • gradient = $-n$ and y-intercept $c = \ln k$ • $k = e^c$ (alternatively, k is the current when no sheets of paper are used) <p>Accuracy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • work in darkened room/constant low light conditions • keep distance between light-source and LDR constant • use same power light source and same LDR throughout • position yourself so as not to cast shadow on LDR • clamp equipment to bench to ensure distances do not change
		Total	9	

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	(a)	GPE is the work done in bringing an object from infinity (to that point)	B1	Ignore any equations
	(b) (i)	GPE = (-) GMm/r GPE = (-) $6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 2 \times 10^{30} \times 810 / 1.5 \times 10^{11}$ GPE = (-) 7.2×10^{11} (J)	C1 C1 A0	Mark is for full substitution, including 6.67×10^{-11} for G
	(ii)	$v = 2\pi r/T = 2\pi \times 1.5 \times 10^{11} / 3.16 \times 10^7$ (= 29.8 km s ⁻¹) KE = $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = 0.5 \times 810 \times (29.8 \times 10^3)^2$ KE = 3.6×10^{11} (J)	C1 M1 A1	Allow proof by algebraic method for full marks e.g. $mv^2/r = GMm/r^2$ so $mv^2 = GMm/r$ Therefore KE/GPE = $\frac{1}{2}mv^2/(GMm/r) = \frac{1}{2}$
	(iii)	total energy = (-) $(7.2 \times 10^{11} - 3.6 \times 10^{11})$ total energy = (-) 3.6×10^{11} (J)	M1 A0	working must be shown; ECF (i) and (ii)
	(c) (i)	$A = 470 / 8.8 \times 10^{-13} = 5.3 \times 10^{14}$ (Bq) $\lambda = \ln 2 / (88 \times 3.16 \times 10^7)$ (= 2.5×10^{-10} s ⁻¹) ($A = \lambda N$); N (= $5.3 \times 10^{14} / 2.5 \times 10^{-10}$) = 2.1×10^{24}	C1 C1 A1	Mark is for correct calculation of A (in Bq or decays per s) Mark is for correct working to give λ in s ⁻¹
	(ii)	$P = P_0 \exp(-\lambda t)$ $P = 470 \exp(-\ln 2 \times 100 / 88)$ $P = 210$ (W)	C1 C1 A1	Allow formula in terms of N or A Allow calculation in terms of N or A ; allow ECF for N or A
		Total	13	

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4	(a)	*	<p>Level 3 (5 - 6 marks) Clear explanation using kinetic theory ideas and either a clear proof using formulae or a correct calculation</p> <p><i>There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.</i></p> <p>Level 2 (3 – 4 marks) A partial explanation using kinetic theory ideas and either a partial proof using formulae or a partial calculation</p> <p><i>There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is in the most part relevant and supported by some evidence.</i></p> <p>Level 1 (1 – 2 marks) An attempt at either explanation or proof or calculation</p> <p><i>There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant.</i></p> <p>0 marks <i>No response or no response worthy of credit.</i></p>	B1 x 6	<p>Indicative scientific points may include:</p> <p>Explanation using kinetic theory</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pressure = force/area • force is caused by air molecules colliding with oven walls • Newton's 2nd Law states force = rate of momentum change • increased temperature means each molecule has greater KE • hence greater velocity and hence greater momentum • and more collisions with walls per second • hence greater rate of momentum change on hitting walls. • This would lead to greater pressure if N remained constant • so number of molecules in oven must decrease (air escapes) • so fewer but 'harder' collisions at higher temperatures giving constant pressure. • Rms velocity c increases with temperature but number N decreases and so effects balance out to keep total KE ($\frac{1}{2}Nmc^2$) constant <p>Proof using formulae</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • equate $pV = NkT$ and $E = \frac{3}{2}NkT$ to show $E = \frac{3}{2}pV$ • in an ideal gas, all internal energy E is kinetic energy • so E is independent of temperature <p>Calculation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal energy = $\frac{3}{2}pV = 1.5 \times 0.065 \times 1.0 \times 10^5 = 9.8 \text{ kJ}$ • At $T = 293\text{K}$, $N = pV/kT = 1.6 \times 10^{24}$ and $n = 2.7$ moles • At $T = 473\text{K}$, $N = 1.0 \times 10^{24}$ and $n = 1.7$ moles • so we can show that NT (and/or nT) remain constant

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5	(a)	the (sound) wave reflects at the water (surface)	B1	Allow the (two) waves interfere/superpose Do not allow interact/combine	
		reflected wave interferes/superposes with the incident wave	B1		
		to produce a (resultant) wave with a node at the water surface <u>and</u> an antinode at the top of the tube	B1		
		$l = \lambda/4$	B1		
	(b)	(i)	$l = (v/4)(1/f) - k$ Correct comparison with $y = mx + c$	M1 A1	Correct manipulation of equation must be shown
		(ii)	large triangle used to determine gradient gradient calculated correctly $v = 320 \text{ (m s}^{-1}\text{)}$	B1 B1 B1	$\Delta x > 0.6 \times 10^{-3}\text{s}$ Expect between 80 and 82 (m s ⁻¹) Allow 320 ± 20 ; allow ECF from an incorrect gradient
	(c)	(i)	Value of $1/F$ determined correctly from graph $F = 350 \text{ (Hz)}$	C1 A1	Allow values between $2.83 \times 10^{-3}\text{s}$ and $2.84 \times 10^{-3}\text{s}$ Allow only alternative methods which use values from line of best fit
		(ii)	$(100 (\Delta F/F) =) 100 \Delta v/v$ $+ \frac{100 (\Delta l + \Delta k)}{(l + k)}$	B1 B1	
Total			13		

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6	(a)	At $t = 0$ (and $t = 15, 30$) the (magnitude of the) centripetal force equals $R - W$ (as only vertical forces act on the tourist)	B1	Allow at $t = 0$ (or the bottom of the circle) the centripetal force is provided by the resultant/ upwards/vertical force
	(b) (i)	(For circular motion) there must (always) be a resultant force towards the centre The resultant force is not always vertical/sometimes has a horizontal component This can only be provided by friction/cannot be provided by R and W / R and W are always vertical/only F is horizontal	B1 x 2	any 2 from 3 marking points Allow F provides the horizontal (component of the) centripetal force
	(ii)	Sine wave with period 30 min and amplitude 0.050 (N) Correct phase, i.e. <u>negative</u> sine wave	B1 B1	Must start at the origin
	(iii)	$F = 0.050 \cos 40^\circ$ $F = 0.038$ (N)	C1 A1	Allow alternative methods e.g. triangle of forces Allow ECF from graph if used
	(c)	$m = 650/g$ or $m = 650/9.81$ (= 66.3 kg) ($F = mr\omega^2$ gives) $d = 0.050 / m\omega^2 = 0.050 / 66.3 \times (3.5 \times 10^{-3})^2$ $d = 62$ (m)	C1 C1 A1	Not $m = 650$ kg or $m = 65$ kg or ($F = mv^2/r$ and $v = 2\pi r/T$ gives) $d = 0.050 \times (30 \times 60)^2 / (4\pi^2 \times 66.3)$
Total			10	

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