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**Physics A**

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## CATEGORISATION OF MARKS



The marking schemes categorise marks on the MACB scheme.

- B** marks    These are awarded as independent marks, which do not depend on other marks. For a **B**-mark to be scored, the point to which it refers must be seen specifically in the candidate's answers.
- M** marks    These are method marks upon which **A**-marks (accuracy marks) later depend. For an **M**-mark to be scored, the point to which it refers must be seen in the candidate's answers. If a candidate fails to score a particular **M**-mark, then none of the dependent **A**-marks can be scored.
- C** marks    These are compensatory method marks which can be scored even if the points to which they refer are not written down by the candidate, providing subsequent working gives evidence that they must have known it. For example, if an equation carries a **C**-mark and the candidate does not write down the actual equation but does correct working which shows the candidate knew the equation, then the **C**-mark is given.
- A** marks    These are accuracy or answer marks, which either depend on an **M**-mark, or allow a **C**-mark to be scored.

## SIGNIFICANT FIGURES

If the data given in a question is to 2 sf, then allow to 2 or more significant figures.  
If an answer is given to fewer than 2 sf, then penalise once only in the entire paper.  
Any exception to this rule will be mentioned in the Additional Guidance.

Annotations available in RM Assessor

	Annotation	Meaning
	Correct response	Used to indicate the point at which a mark has been awarded ( <b>one tick per mark awarded</b> ).
	Incorrect response	Used to indicate an incorrect answer or a point where a mark is lost.
<b>AE</b>	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.
<b>BOD</b>	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.
<b>BP</b>	Blank page	Use BP on additional page(s) to show that there is no additional work provided by the candidates.
<b>CON</b>	Contradiction	No mark can be awarded if the candidate contradicts himself or herself in the same response.
<b>ECF</b>	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.
<b>L1</b>	Level 1	L1 is used to show 2 marks awarded and L1 <sup>^</sup> is used to show 1 mark awarded.
<b>L2</b>	Level 2	L2 is used to show 4 marks awarded and L2 <sup>^</sup> is used to show 3 marks awarded.
<b>L3</b>	Level 3	L3 is used to show 6 marks awarded and L3 <sup>^</sup> is used to show 5 marks awarded.
<b>POT</b>	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.
<b>SEEN</b>	Seen	To indicate working/text has been seen by the examiner.
<b>SF</b>	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. <b>Penalised only once in the paper.</b>
<b>TE</b>	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.
<b>XP</b>	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.
<b>^</b>	Omission	Used to indicate where more is needed for a mark to be awarded (what is written is not wrong but not enough).

Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed Mark Scheme (to include abbreviations and subject-specific conventions).

<b>Annotation</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>/</b>	alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point
<b>Reject</b>	Answers which are not worthy of credit
<b>Not</b>	Answers which are not worthy of credit
<b>Ignore</b>	Statements which are irrelevant
<b>Allow</b>	Answers that can be accepted
<b>( )</b>	Words which are not essential to gain credit
<b>—</b>	Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark
<b>ECF</b>	Error carried forward
<b>AW</b>	Alternative wording
<b>ORA</b>	Or reverse argument

Question			Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)		Deceleration is indicated by the <u>negative gradient/slope</u> (between $t = 1.5$ to $t = 4.5$ )	<b>B1</b>	Constant negative gradient scores two marks
			A straight line/constant (negative) gradient (between $t = 1.5$ to $t = 4.5$ ) (indicates constant deceleration)	<b>B1</b>	
	(b)		area under graph = displacement or distance	<b>C1</b>	<b>ALLOW</b> $s = \frac{(u+v)}{2}t$ or $s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$ and $a=14/3$  $\frac{(14+0)}{2} \times 3$ OR $7 \times 3$  <b>Allow</b> ECF for mis read of $t$ or $v$ <b>Do not accept</b> $t = 4.5$ <b>Ignore</b> “-“ sign
			$\frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times 14 = 21$ (m)	<b>M1</b>	
			1 (m)	<b>A1</b>	
			<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	

Question			Answer	Marks	Guidance
2			<p><b>Level 3 (5–6 marks)</b> Clear diagrams and procedure and measurements <b>and</b> analysis</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><b>Level 2 (3–4 marks)</b> A diagram, some procedure, some measurements and some analysis.</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><b>Level 1 (1–2 marks)</b> Limited procedure and limited measurements <b>or</b> limited analysis</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><b>0 marks</b> No response or no response worthy of credit.</p>	<b>B1 x6</b>	<p><b>Indicative scientific points may include:</b></p> <p><b>Diagram and procedure</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>labelled diagram</li> <li>correct circuit diagram</li> <li>description of procedure</li> <li>use of cushion in case load falls</li> <li>repeats experiment.</li> </ul> <p><b>Measurements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>use of balance to measure load</li> <li>use of ruler to measure height</li> <li>use stopwatch to measure time</li> <li>use of ammeter to measure current</li> <li>use of voltmeter to measure p.d.</li> </ul> <p><b>Analysis</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>equation to determine input power/energy (<math>IV/IVt</math>)</li> <li>equation to determine output power/energy (<math>mgh/t</math> or <math>mgh</math>)</li> <li>equation to determine efficiency</li> <li>use of gradient of appropriate graph</li> </ul>
			<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	

Question			Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	(a)		$h$ measured with a metre rule/ruler	B1	Allow metre stick, tape measure
			(electronic) timer/data logger (started and stopped electronically)	B1	Not stopwatch
			Method to start timer (and release ball), e.g. <u>electromagnet</u> or light gate to start timer	B1	Allow one mark for use light gates without reference to timer/starting/stopping
			Method to stop timer, e.g. trap door, second light gate	B1	
	(b)		0.185 (s <sup>2</sup> )	B1	
	(c)	(i)	Plots one missing plot to less than a half small square  Draws <u>straight</u> line of best fit	B1  B1	Allow ECF from (b)  Allow ECF Expect to be balance of points about line of best-fit. Judge straightness by eye. Not thick lines, multiple lines
		(ii)	Determines gradient correctly and gradient in the range 0.210 to 0.225	B1	Ignore significant figures.
	(d)	(i)	Evidence of use of $s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$ (and $u = 0$ )  Manipulation leading to $t^2 = \left(\frac{2}{g}\right)h$	B1	
		(ii)	$g = \frac{2}{(c)ii}$ <u>and</u> given to 2 or 3 s.f.	B1	Note: Possible ecf from (c)(ii) Ignore rounding
			Total	10	



Question			Answer	Marks	Guidance
4	(a)		(weight of plank $\Rightarrow$ ) $50 \times 9.81$ or $490.5$ OR uses a distance of $0.7\text{m}$ to calculate clockwise moment  (anticlockwise moment $\Rightarrow$ ) $T\sin 30^\circ \times 1.5$ OR $0.75T$  (clockwise moment $\Rightarrow$ ) $490.5 \times 0.7 = 343 \text{ (Nm)}$  $T\sin 30^\circ \times 1.5 = 343$ OR $T\sin 30^\circ = 229$  $T = 457.8 \text{ (N)}$	<b>C1</b>   <b>C1</b>  <b>C1</b>  <b>A0</b>	   <b>Allow</b> $T\cos 60^\circ \times 1.5$  <b>Allow</b> 344,  <b>Allow</b> 458.6,
	(b)		$x = \frac{TL}{EA}$ $x = \frac{460 \times 1.73}{210 \times 10^9 \times 11 \times 10^{-6}}$ $x = 3.45 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (m)}$	<b>C1</b>  <b>C1</b>  <b>A1</b>	<b>Note</b> x must be the subject <b>Allow</b> alternative methods e.g. determines stress ( $4.18 \times 10^7 \text{ Pa}$ ) C1 determines strain ( $1.99 \times 10^{-4}$ ) C1 determines x  <b>Allow</b> 3.4, 3.5, 3.43, 3.44 <b>Allow</b> 2 marks for $3.45 \times 10^n$
			<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	

Question			Answer	Marks	Guidance
5	(a)		(Resultant) force is (directly) <u>proportional</u> to the rate of change of momentum.	<b>B1</b>	<b>Allow</b> equation with symbols defined. <b>Allow</b> equal for proportional <b>Ignore</b> reference to direction <b>Ignore</b> $F=ma$
	(b)	(i)	0.868 or 0.87	<b>B1</b>	<b>Allow</b> – 0.868 or – 0.87
		(ii)	change in momentum = $0.5 \times 17 \times 0.18$ or 1.53 (N s)  Momentum of tennis ball = $1.53 - 0.868 = 0.662$  $v = 0.662/0.062 = 10.6$ or $10.7 \text{ (m s}^{-1}\text{)} = 11 \text{ (m s}^{-1}\text{)}$	<b>C1</b>  <b>C1</b>  <b>A1</b>	<b>ECF</b> from (b)(i)  Or $0.062(v - 14) = 1.53$  Or $v = 24.7 - 14 = 10.7$ <b>Allow</b> 1 mark for $24.7 \text{ (m s}^{-1}\text{)}$ or $38.7 \text{ (m s}^{-1}\text{)}$
		(iii)	For an elastic collision, kinetic energy/ <u>KE</u> is conserved  speeds are different (so for the same mass KE is different)	<b>B1</b>  <b>B1</b>	<b>Allow</b> speed of approach = speed of separation  <b>Allow</b> correct calculations of KE for both speeds <b>Ignore</b> reference to the ball heating up
			<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	

Question			Answer	Marks	Guidance
6	(a)		X (filament) lamp Y (fixed)(ohmic) resistor	B1	Allow ptc thermistor / heater element Not metallic conductor
	(b)		$I_x = 0.5 \text{ A}$ and $I_Y = 0.36 \text{ A}$ OR $I = 0.86 \text{ A}$  9.6V – 7.2V or 2.4 V  $r = \frac{9.6-7.2}{0.86} = 2.8 \Omega$	C1  C1  A1	Allow Alternative correct methods   2.79 $\Omega$
	(c)	(i)	Micrometer  Repeat readings <u>in different directions/along wire/different wires and average</u>	B1  B1	Allow calliper Not vernier scale
		(ii)	$A = \frac{\pi \times (0.12 \times 10^{-3})^2}{4} = 1.13 \times 10^{-8}$ OR $\rho = \frac{1.86 \times A}{21}$  $\rho = \frac{17 \times 1.86 \times 1.1 \times 10^{-8}}{21}$  $\rho = 1.7 \times 10^{-8} (\Omega \text{ m})$	C1  C1  A1	Note $\rho$ must be the subject   Allow 2 marks for $1.0 \times 10^{-9}$ (factor of 17 omitted) Allow 2 marks for $6.8 \times 10^{-8}$ (diameter used instead of radius) Allow 2 marks for 0.017 (POT omitted)
		(iii)	$\frac{0.1}{21}$ or $\frac{0.02}{1.86}$ or $\frac{0.01}{0.12}$  $\left(\frac{0.1}{21} + \frac{0.02}{1.86} + 2 \times \frac{0.01}{0.12}\right) \times 100 = 18 (.2)\%$	C1  A1	Allow max/min methods $\rho_{\max} = 2.03 \times 10^{-8}$ and $\rho_{\min} = 1.41 \times 10^{-8}$ (B1) $\frac{\Delta \rho}{\rho} \times 100$ (B1)  Allow 17.8% Do not penalise significant figures Allow 1 mark for 9.88% Allow 20% with evidence of working
Total				11	

Question			Answer	Marks	Guidance
7	(a)		<p><b>Level 3 (5–6 marks)</b> Clear explanation of observations <b>and</b> correct determination of frequency.</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><b>Level 2 (3–4 marks)</b> Clear explanation of observations <b>or</b> correct method to determine the frequency <b>or</b> some explanation of observations and some method for the determination of the frequency</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><b>Level 1 (1–2 marks)</b> Has limited explanation of observations <b>or</b> limited evidence of method to determine the frequency</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><b>0 marks</b> No response or no response worthy of credit.</p>	<b>B1 x6</b>	<p><b>Indicative scientific points may include:</b></p> <p>Explanation of observations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Metal sheet reflects microwaves</li> <li>• Idea/description of superposition</li> <li>• Constructive/destructive interference</li> <li>• Standing wave pattern between T and plate</li> <li>• Maxima are antinodes and minima are nodes.</li> <li>• Phase difference at nodes and antinodes</li> <li>• Distance between successive maxima/minima is <math>\lambda/2</math></li> <li>• Distance between adjacent regions of maximum and minimum intensities is <math>\lambda/4</math></li> </ul> <p>Determination of frequency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>f = \frac{v}{\lambda}</math></li> <li>• <math>\lambda = 4 \times 72 \text{ mm} = 288 \text{ mm}</math></li> <li>• <math>f = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{288 \times 10^{-3}} = 1.04 \times 10^9 \text{ Hz}</math></li> </ul>
	(b)		<p>Microwaves from <b>T</b> are transverse/polarised wtte</p> <p>At <math>0^\circ</math> or <math>180^\circ</math> the grille blocks (all) the (polarised) waves <u>and</u> at <math>90^\circ</math> the grille allows all the microwaves to pass.</p>	<p><b>B1</b></p> <p><b>B1</b></p>	<p><b>Allow</b> E field perpendicular to direction of motion</p> <p><b>Allow</b> explanation in terms of <math>I = I_0 \cos^2 \theta</math></p>
			<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	

Question			Answer	Marks	Guidance
8	(a)	(i)	1.36	B1	Not 1.3 or 1.4
			$1.97 \times 10^8$	B1	Not 1.9 or 2.0
		(ii)	$\left(\frac{5.2 \times 10^{-7}}{1.52} = \right) 3.4(2) \times 10^{-7} \text{ (m)}$	B1	Allow $3.41 \times 10^{-7} \text{ (m)}$ Not ECF from (a)(i)
	(b)	(i)	$\sin \theta = \frac{\sin 37}{1.52} (= 0.39593)$  $\theta = 23(.3)^\circ$	C1  A1	
		(ii)	Ray in glass bends towards normal and ray in ethanol bends away from normal but at a smaller angle than $37^\circ$ Rays are straight by eye	B1	Note Ray should not be parallel to incoming ray. Not angle of refraction is zero in glass
			Total	6	

Question			Answer	Marks	Guidance
9	(a)	(i)	Energy of a <u>photon</u>	<b>B1</b>	<b>Ignore</b> $h$ is Planck constant and $f$ is frequency
		(ii)	<u>Minimum</u> energy required to remove/emit (a single) <u>electron</u> from the metal surface	<b>B1</b>	<b>Ignore</b> 'it is work function' <b>Ignore</b> photoelectric effect
	(b)	(i)	$4.1 \text{ eV} = 4.1 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ or } 6.56 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J OR}$ $E_k = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \times 1.2 \times 10^{15} - \phi$ $E_k = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \times 1.2 \times 10^{15} - 6.56 \times 10^{-19}$ $E_k = 1.39 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ $v = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 1.39 \times 10^{-19}}{9.11 \times 10^{-31}}} = \sqrt{3.06 \times 10^{11}}$ $5.536 \times 10^5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$	<b>C1</b>  <b>C1</b> <b>C1</b> <b>C1</b>  <b>A0</b>	<b>Allow</b> $f_0 = 9.9 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$  <b>Allow</b> $E_k = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \times (1.2 \times 10^{15} - 9.9 \times 10^{14})$ <b>Allow</b> $1.4 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$  $3.06 \times 10^{11}$ scores three marks
		(ii)	Maximum energy is independent of intensity/(number of photons has increased but) energy of photon is the same/energy of a photon is <u>only</u> dependent on frequency/intensity affects the number of photons/electrons released <u>only</u> /frequency of photon has not changed  No change in maximum speed	<b>M1</b>      <b>A1</b>	      <b>Not</b> "Does not increase"
	(c)		$\lambda \left( = \frac{h}{mv} \right) = \frac{6.63 \times 10^{-34}}{9.11 \times 10^{-31} \times 5.5 \times 10^5}$  $= 1.3(2) \times 10^{-9} \text{ (m)}$	<b>C1</b>   <b>A1</b>	
			<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	

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