



OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS

Advanced Subsidiary GCE

PHYSICS B (ADVANCING PHYSICS)

G492 MS

Unit G492: Understanding Processes and
Experimentation and Data Handling

Specimen Mark Scheme

The maximum mark for this paper is 100.

| Section A | | |
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| Question Number | Answer | Max Mark |
| 1 (a) | B ✓ | [1] |
| (b) | A ✓ | [1] |
| 2 | B ✓ | [1] |
| 3 (a) | 20 ✓ (m s ⁻¹) | [1] |
| (b) | 0.5 ✓ (s) | [1] |
| (c) | (20 x 0.5) + (1/2 x 20 x 3.5) ✓m = 45 (m) ✓e 45 m ✓✓ | [2] |
| 4 (a) | energy (= 6.6 x 10 ⁻³⁴ x 3.2 x 10 ¹⁴) = 2.1 x 10 ⁻¹⁹ ✓ (J) 2 or 3 S.F. only | [1] |
| (b) | (1.0 x 10 ⁻⁷)/(2.1 x 10 ⁻¹⁹) ✓ = 4.8 x 10 ¹¹ ✓ ecf from (a) | [2] |
| 5 | Either $s = \frac{1}{2}at^2 \Rightarrow t^2 = (2 \times 0.15)/9.8 \Rightarrow t = 0.18 \text{ s}$ ✓m✓e Or directly using $t = 0.2 \text{ s}$ to find $s = 0.196 \text{ m}$ ✓method✓evaluation allow $g = 10 \text{ N kg}^{-1}$, giving $t = 0.17 \text{ s}$ or $s = 200 \text{ mm}$ then explaining why he can't catch the note ✓ | [3] |
| 6(a) | $F = 10\,000 \times 3.1 \checkmark = 31\,000 \checkmark \text{ (N)}$ | [2] |
| (b) | weight = 75 000 – 31 000 = 44 000 (N) ✓ | [1] |
| (c) | $g = 44\,000 / 10\,000 = 4.4 \checkmark \text{ (N kg}^{-1}\text{)}$ ecf from (b) no ecf if $g = 9.8 \text{ N kg}^{-1}$ assumed in (b) | [1] |
| 7 | test proposed e.g. calculate $k = y/x^2$ to see if constant, ✓ carried out on all data ✓ conclusion based on test: not constant (values 0.099,0.076,0.056) <u>because</u> variation too great/value of k gets progressively smaller, so not random variation✓ test can be implicit in working | [3] |
| Section A total | | [20] |
| 8(a) | $v^2 = 2gh$ approach $v^2 = 2 \times 9.8 \times 169 \checkmark v = 58 \checkmark \text{ (m s}^{-1}\text{)}$ | [2] |
| (b) | $v = 100/2.12 = 47 \text{ m s}^{-1} \checkmark$ $47 \text{ m s}^{-1} = 47 \times 60 \times 60 / 1000 \text{ km h}^{-1} = 170 \text{ km h}^{-1} (> 160 \text{ km h}^{-1}) \checkmark$ | [2] |
| (c)(i) | weight = 72 x 9.8 = 710 N ✓ (accept 2 or 3 S.F.) Accept use of $g = 10 \text{ N kg}^{-1}$ to give 720 N | [1] |
| (ii) | Scale drawing: 15° right-angled triangle with opposite side shown as weight (ecf from (c)(i) ✓ hypotenuse correctly measured to scale including ecf to give 180 N ±10 N ✓ or 710 sin 15° ✓ = 180N ✓ ecf from (c)(i) | [2] |
| (iii) | balanced forces idea (resultant force = zero) ✓ argued in terms of forces | [1] |
| Total | | [8] |
| 9 (a)(i) | Any three points from: symmetrical about central max central maximum is brightest intensity decreases with 'order' maxima are equally spaced peaks (much) narrower than spacing ✓✓✓ | [3] |

| Section B | | |
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| (ii) | A: constructive interference/waves add/waves superimpose IN PHASE / path difference is a whole number of λ / AW AND B: destructive interference/waves cancel/ waves in ANTIPHASE (out of phase)/ pd is an odd number of half wavelengths ✓ | [1] |
| (b)(i) | $1 / 80\,000$ or $(1 \times 10^{-3})/80$ ✓ (= $1.25 \times 10^{-5}\text{m}$) | [1] |
| (ii) | $\tan \theta = 0.06 / 1.2 \Rightarrow \theta = 2.86^\circ$ ✓ method ✓ evaluation AW e.g. Pythagoras and then find $\sin \theta$ from the triangle for ✓✓ allow $\tan \theta = \sin \theta$ if reason given e.g. angles small $\lambda = 1.25 \times 10^{-5} \times \sin 2.9^\circ$ ✓ = $6.3 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$ ✓ [deduce 2nd mark if no unit] (allow use of 3° giving 6.5×10^{-7}) | [4] |
| (c) | sensible change ✓ justified ✓ e.g. more lines mm^{-1} ✓ larger spacing between maxima to measure ✓ or move screen further ✓ smaller % error in distances ✓ measure to higher order ✓ smaller % error in distances ✓ | [2] |
| | | Total [11] |
| 10 | $\text{N/kg} \times \text{kg/m}^3 \times \text{m}^2 = \text{N m}^{-1}$ ✓ (beware fudge) $\text{J} = \text{N m}$ so $\text{J m}^{-2} = \text{N m m}^{-2} = \text{N m}^{-1}$ ✓ or reverse working from $\text{N}=\text{J/m}$ Stages must be shown clearly | [2] |
| (b)(i) | 0.9 m ✓ | [1] |
| (ii) | $\frac{1}{2} \times 9.8 \times 1030 \times (0.9)^2$ ✓ = 4090 ✓ (J m^{-2}) ~ 4100 ecf from (b)(i) | [2] |
| (iii) | 4090×12 ✓ = 49 000 $\approx 50 \text{ kW}$ ✓ (W) (ecf from (b)(ii)) $49\,000 \times 500$ ✓ = 24 500 000 = 24.5 MW ✓ ecf | [4] |
| (iv) | lots of damage/erosion / for conversion to electrical power ✓ | [1] |
| | | Total [10] |
| 11(a) | increases and decreases ✓ (can be stated or implied) Between 0% and 16% ✓ One of: cyclic/repeating / equally spaced / no sign of dying out ✓ QWC: spelling, punctuation & grammar ✓ | [4] |
| (b)(i) | x: resultant phasor amplitude = 4 ✓ y: resultant phasor amplitude = $(4 + 4)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 2.8$ ✓ method ✓ evaluation (scale drawing tolerance 2.6 to 3.0) for missing scale factor (x=2, y = 1.4) 2 marks max | [3] |
| (ii) | prob related to (amplitude) ² idea ✓ 16 for x, 8 for y ✓ 4 for x, 2 for y ✓ (ecf) from (b)(i) | [2] |
| (iii) | Phasors antiphase ✓ so prob / resultant phasor amplitude = 0 ✓ (quantum explanation only) 'photons' are out of phase gets no marks | [2] |
| | | Total [11] |
| | | Section B total [40] |

| Section C | | |
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| Question Number | Answer | Max Mark |
| 12(a)(i) | Any two points from: Systematic error (clock 'second' is wrong) ✓ Random uncertainty due to reaction time is negligible ✓ Effect is to give an answer which is too great ✓ | [2] |
| (ii) | Any two points from: No/ negligible(e.g. effect of temperature) systematic error ✓ Random uncertainty e.g. alignment problems, varying length at different places ✓ Effect is to give greater confidence in the length than is justified by the measurement ✓ | [2] |
| (b) | (i) Use more accurate clock /correct for incorrect duration by comparing with accurate time signal ✓; get several people to measure simultaneously, and plot data to find mean/median/ reject outliers ✓ OR (ii) repeat measurement several times along different parallel lines along the room ✓ and plot data to find mean/median/reject outliers ✓; NOT just repeat measurement | [2] |
| | Total | [6] |
| 13(a) | (very fast therefore) need large distance ✓ very short interval to time ✓ | [2] |
| (b) | Any three points from: Very large ✓ reduction in uncertainties ✓ Progression over many years ✓ Up to two examples of creative approach can be each ✓ if distinct and explained, e.g. octagonal mirror, allowing for effect of air, doing in vacuum QWC: appropriate form and style ✓ | [4] |
| (c) | uncertainties in the metre greater than in λ/f measurement ✓ | [1] |
| (d) | Horizontal line within one scale division of 299 790 ✓ Michelson, Middelstaedt, Anderson and Bergstrand ✓ All 4 names needed | [2] |
| | Total | [8] |
| 14 (a)(i) | Angle = $\sin^{-1}(4.0/120)$ ✓ = $1.9^\circ \approx 2^\circ$ ✓ Must show a calculated result, not just quote 2° , for the second mark. | [2] |
| (ii) | $v = w/t = 0.100/0.164$ ✓ = 0.610 m s^{-1} (Can be reverse argument from 0.610 m s^{-1}) | [2] |
| (iii) | <u>Both</u> measurements used are to 3 S.F. ✓ Result cannot be stated to greater precision than least precise datum ✓ | [2] |
| (b)(i) | $(0.1/4.0) \times 100 = 2.5\%$ ✓ m ✓ e | [2] |
| (ii) | Absolute uncertainty in height same ✓ smaller fraction ✓ of height | [2] |
| (iii) | Repeat several times ✓ and take averages ✓ QWC: clear organisation ✓ | [3] |
| | Total | [13] |

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| <p>15 (a)(i)</p> <p>(ii)</p> <p>(iii)</p> <p>(b)</p> | <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr><td>$v^2/m^2 s^{-2}$</td></tr> <tr><td>(0.37)</td></tr> <tr><td>(0.78)</td></tr> <tr><td>(1.2)</td></tr> <tr><td>1.7</td></tr> <tr><td>2.0</td></tr> <tr><td>2.6</td></tr> <tr><td>3.6</td></tr> </table> <p>All 4 correct for the mark</p> <p>Allow 3 S.F. but not more (values 1.69, 1.96, 2.56 & 3.60 s)</p> | | $v^2/m^2 s^{-2}$ | (0.37) | (0.78) | (1.2) | 1.7 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 3.6 | |
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| <p>Sensible axes labelled with quantity and unit ✓ points ✓ ✓ line ✓</p> <p>No as line does not pass through origin ✓ (graph below)</p> <p>Can be numerical.</p> <p>g.p.e. = $mgh = 0.992 \times 9.8 \times 0.04 \checkmark = 0.39 \text{ J} \checkmark$</p> <p>k.e. = $\frac{1}{2} mv^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.992 \times 0.37 \checkmark = 0.18 \text{ J} \checkmark$</p> <p>Work done against resistive forces ✓</p> | <p>[1]</p> <p>[4]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[6]</p> | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | Section C total [40] | | | | | | | | |
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