

GCSE

Physics A

Unit J249H/03: Higher Tier - Paper 3

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Mark Scheme for June 2018

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Annotations available in RM Assessor

Annotation	Meaning
✓	Correct response
×	Incorrect response
^	Omission mark
BOD	Benefit of doubt given
CON	Contradiction
RE	Rounding error
SF	Error in number of significant figures
ECF	Error carried forward
L1	Level 1
L2	Level 2
L3	Level 3
NBOD	Benefit of doubt not given
SEEN	Noted but no credit given
I	Ignore

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

Annotation	Meaning
1	alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point
√	Separates marking points
DO NOT ALLOW	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

Subject-specific Marking Instructions

INTRODUCTION

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure that you have copies of these materials.

You should ensure also that you are familiar with the administrative procedures related to the marking process. These are set out in the OCR booklet **Instructions for Examiners**. If you are examining for the first time, please read carefully **Appendix 5 Introduction to Script Marking: Notes for New Examiners**.

Please ask for help or guidance whenever you need it. Your first point of contact is your Team Leader.

The breakdown of Assessment Objectives for GCSE (9-1) in Physics:

	Assessment Objective
AO1	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas and scientific techniques and procedures.
AO1.1	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas.
AO1.2	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of scientific techniques and procedures.
AO2	Apply knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas and scientific enquiry, techniques and procedures.
AO2.1	Apply knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas.
AO2.2	Apply knowledge and understanding of scientific enquiry, techniques and procedures.
AO3	Analyse information and ideas to interpret and evaluate, make judgements and draw conclusions and develop and improve experimental procedures.
AO3.1	Analyse information and ideas to interpret and evaluate.
AO3.1a	Analyse information and ideas to interpret.
AO3.1b	Analyse information and ideas to evaluate.
AO3.2	Analyse information and ideas to make judgements and draw conclusions.
AO3.2a	Analyse information and ideas to make judgements.
AO3.2b	Analyse information and ideas to draw conclusions.
AO3.3	Analyse information and ideas to develop and improve experimental procedures.
AO3.3a	Analyse information and ideas to develop experimental procedures.
AO3.3b	Analyse information and ideas to improve experimental procedures.

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For answers to Section A if an answer box is blank ALLOW correct indication of answer e.g. circled or underlined.

Question	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
1	C ✓	1	1.1	
2	A 🗸	1	2.1	
3	D✓	1	1.2	
4	B✓	1	2.1	
5	D✓	1	1.1	
6	B✓	1	1.1	
7	A 🗸	1	2.1	
8	D✓	1	2.2	
9	C ✓	1	2.2	
10	B✓	1	1.1	
11	A 🗸	1	1.2	
12	D✓	1	2.1	
13	B✓	1	2.1	
14	A 🗸	1	2.1	
15	C ✓	1	2.1	

Q	Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
16	(a)	(i)	variable resistor ✓	1	1.2	ALLOW rheostat IGNORE potentiometer
		(ii)	Control / change / vary / increase / decrease / AW the resistance / current in the circuit ✓	1	1.2	DO NOT ALLOW merely 'changes the voltage or changes p.d.'
						BUT ALLOW: changes the potential difference or voltage across (component) X
	(b)	(i)	(filament) bulb / lamp ✓	1	3.2a	
		(ii)	gradient / slope (of graph) changes (as potential difference / voltage changes) ✓	3	3.1a	ALLOW 'graph / line / slope levels off' / non-linear
			idea of increasing resistance (with more p.d.) / ORA ✓		1.2	Resistance increases with greater temperature
			idea of increasing temperature / AW ✓		2.2	√ √
	(c)	(i)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 4 (V) award 2 marks	2		
			0.25 x 16 ✓		2.1	
			4 (V) ✓		2.1	
		(ii)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 1 (W) award 3 marks	3		
			P = IV ✓		1.2	
			P = 0.25 x 4 \(\)		2.1	ALLOW e.c.f. from part ci
			P = 1 (W) \(\)		2.1	
			OR			
			$P = I^2 R \checkmark$ $P = 0.25^2 \times 16 \checkmark$		1.2 2.1	
			P = 0.25 x 16 v P = 1 (W) \(\)		2.1	

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Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
17	(a)	(i)	Any three from: place the compass onto the card or near to the wire (and turn on the current) plot / observe the direction of the compass / needle repeat idea of tip-to-tail / plotting onto the card repeat at different distances from the centre	3	3 x 1.2	
		(ii)	one or more circles around wire ✓ clockwise arrow(s) ✓	2	2 x 2.2	DO NOT ALLOW a spiral BUT ALLOW if clockwise direction shown by an arrow on the spiral
	(b)		always points to North / South ✓✓ OR Points to (magnetic) North / South ✓ line up with the magnetic field lines of the Earth ✓ OR Compass needle shows (an angle of) dip ✓ Dip (angle) changes (from equator) ✓	2	2 x1.1	ALLOW Points North / South wherever you are ✓✓

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
18	(a)		 Rod attracts water ✓ Opposite charges attract ✓ water has both + and – charges / idea of polarisation / AW ✓ 	3	3 x 1.2	IGNORE positive electrons / movement of protons / ions for this answer. ALLOW Water bends or moves towards rod OR for candidates that have misinterpreted the diagram as repulsion of water then ALLOW Rod repels water / water bends or moves away from rod ✓ • Like charges repel ✓ • water has both + and − charges / idea of polarisation / AW ✓
	(b)	(i) (ii)	potential difference ✓ closed or complete circuit ✓ FIRST CHECK THE ANSWERON ANSWER LINE	2	2 x 1.1	IGNORE ions / charge ALLOW voltage ALLOW higher level answers eg. must have delocalised electrons / electrons that are free to move
		(")	If answer = 1500 (C) award 4 marks $Q = It \checkmark$ $t = 5 \times 60 = 300 \text{ (s)} \checkmark$ $Q = 5 \times 300 \checkmark$ $Q = 1500 \text{ (C)} \checkmark$	7	1.1 2.1 2.1 2.1	

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
19	(a)	(i)	as the length of the wire increases the resistance increases / proportional relationship / ORA ✓ BUT idea of directly proportional ✓ ✓	2	2 x 3.2b	IGNORE positive correlation Numerical answers must USE values rather than merely quoting values Eg. (approximately) doubling the length, doubles the resistance / ORA ✓ ✓ Eg. Increases by 7 to 8Ω per 25cm / 0.3Ω (allow 0.28 to 0.32) per cm ✓ ✓
		(ii)	mean for 25cm (is recorded to 3 decimal places) and it should be recorded to one decimal place \checkmark mean for 50cm is incorrect and it should be 16.2 Ω \checkmark	2	2 x 3.3a	Error and a solution required for each marking point. ALLOW answer in terms of sig. figs: Eg. mean for 25cm is recorded to 4 sig. figs. – it should be recorded to 2 sig. figs.
		(iii)	75cm attempt 3 or 18.7 (is an anomaly) ✓ it has not been included in the mean ✓	2	2 x 3.2a	
		(iv)	straight line through the origin scores ✓✓ straight line / linear relationship / proportional and not through origin scores ✓	2	2 x 3.1a	ALLOW answers shown on a diagram ALLOW directly proportional ✓✓ DO NOT ALLOW a curved line through origin IGNORE positive correlation (in written comments)

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Quest	ion	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
(b)	(i)	Any two from: (extra resistance due to) connecting leads too long / too thin ✓ (extra) resistance of the croc clips / connections ✓ croc clip is not at 0cm / the end of the ruler / length of resistance wire longer than intended / AW ✓ Heating effect of wires ✓	2	2 x 3.1b	Eg. Crocodile clips rusted / poor conductor / bad or loose connections IGNORE crocodile clips in wrong place unless qualified correctly. Eg. croc clips too far apart ALLOW Parallax error on meter (if it is analogue) / meter not calibrated (so resistance higher)
	(ii)	Any one from: make the connecting wires as short as possible ✓ keep croc clips clean / solder connections ✓ place croc clip exactly at the end of the ruler / at 0cm / AW✓	1	3.3b	Solution needs to be consistent with an error identified in part i. OR a new specified error ALLOW: use thicker connecting wires ALLOW let wire(s) cool between readings / Securely fix croc clip / calibrate meter / avoid parallax error

G	Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
20	(a)	(i)	All three points correctly plotted ✓✓ OR	2	2 x 2.2	Points should be + / - 1/2 square or less (by eye)
			two points correctly plotted ✓			
		(ii)		1	3.1a	ALLOW ecf from part ai for misplotted points
			straight line up to 0.04, 8			ALLOW straight part of graph drawn without ruler.
			and			
			curved line consistent with points plotted past this point \checkmark			DO NOT ALLOW dot-to-dot for curve
						Single line should be thin (less than ½ square thick) and continuous to gain the mark.
		(iii)	Initially the extension increases steadily / linearly / uniformly / (directly) proportionally / elastically / AW ✓	3	3.1a	ALLOW gradient is steady up to 8N ALLOW initially obeys Hooke's law
			(then the) wire reaches its elastic limit ✓		1.2	IGNORE limit of proportionality (as this is an AO3
			the extension increases plastically / by more for each (2N) weight added (past this point) / AW \checkmark		3.1a	answer for an AO1 question) ALLOW Hooke's law not obeyed after 8N
	(b)		FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 200 (N/m) award 3 marks	3		
			$k = F \div x \checkmark$		1.2	IGNORE F=kx
			$k=6\div 0.03 \checkmark$ (or equivalent correct expression from 0 to 6N)		2.1	Substitution into correctly rearranged formula 🗸 🗸
			k = 200 (N/m) ✓		2.1	

C	uestic	on Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
	(c)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 0.16 (J) award 2 marks	2		ALLOW ecf from part b
		$E = 0.5 \times 200 \times 0.04^2 \checkmark$		1.2	ALLOW area under graph method: 0.5 x 8 x 0.04 ✓ BUT area under graph method used to calculate
		E = 0.16 (J) ✓		2.1	0.16 scores ✓✓

Question	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
21 (a) (*)	Please refer to the marking instructions on page 5 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question. Level 3 (5–6 marks) A detailed explanation of experimental procedure AND detailed discussion about accuracy There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated. Level 2 (3–4 marks) EITHER a detailed explanation of the experimental procedure OR detailed discussion about accuracy OR a brief explanation of the experimental procedure and simple discussion about accuracy There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence. Level 1 (1–2 marks) Brief explanation of the experimental procedure OR simple comment about accuracy There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant. 0 marks No response or no response worthy of credit.	6	2 x 2.2 2 x 3.3a 2 x 1.2	 AO1.2 and AO2.2 Applies knowledge and understanding of how to use the equipment to find specific latent heat of water. For example: Measure the initial mass / weight of beaker Turn on the heater Start timing Use the voltmeter, ammeter and stopclock to calculate the energy supplied (E=VIt) Turn off the heater Stop timing Use a balance to measure the mass of the beaker and melted ice Subtract the original mass of the beaker to find the mass / weight of the melted ice / calculate mass / weight of melted ice Calculate specific latent heat by dividing energy by mass AO3.3a Analyses information and ideas to develop experimental procedures and consider accuracy of the experiment. For example: Make sure that the heater is always covered with ice Insulate / put lid on the funnel to reduce heat losses Make sure that the mass of water produced is sufficiently large – run the experiment for long enough Repeat the experiment to minimise (random) errors

Qu	estion	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
	(b)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 380 000 (J) award 3 marks	3		
		SLH = E ÷ m ✓		1.2	Rearranging equation 95 ÷ 250 or 0.38 scores ✓ (evidence of rearranged formula)
		= 95000 ÷ 0.25 ✓		2.1	95 000 ÷ 250 = 380 scores ✓✓ Or 95 ÷ 0.25 = 380 ✓✓ Or 380 ✓✓
		= 380000 (J/kg) ✓		2.1	

Q	Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
22	(a)		momentum ✓	2	2 x 1.1	IGNORE mass conserved
			kinetic energy or KE ✓			If more than two answers mark the first two answers (unless one of them is mass). Eg 'KE, mass, momentum ✓✓ Eg. PE, KE, momentum ✓
	(b)	(i)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINES If answers = 8.4 (kgm/s) and 6.75 / 6.8 (kgm/s) award 3 marks	3		
			2 x 4.2 2.5 x 2.7 ✓		1.2	
			A: 8.4 (kgm/s) ✓		2.2	
			B: 6.75/6.8 (kgm/s) ✓		2.2	8.4 and 6.7 scores ✓✓ (incorrect rounding of one of the values)
		(ii)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 3.4 (m/s) award 3 marks	3		
			(8.4 + 6.75) ÷ 4.5 ✓		2.2	ECF for momentum values eg. (A + B) ÷ 4.5
			3.37 / 3.366666667 (m) ✓		2.2	
			3.4 (rounding to 2 sf) ✓		1.2	Wrong answer but evidence of correct rounding ✓ Eg. 6.75 to 6.8 ✓

Question		on	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
23	(a)	(i)	 initial speed is zero and either acceleration due to gravity = 10 or g = 10 √ use a = (v-u) ÷ t to find the final speed / v √ use v² - u² = 2as to find s √ 	3	3 x 1.1	IGNORE the idea of echoes and speed of sound ALLOW answers using g = 9.8 or 9.81 ALLOW v = u + at ✓ ALLOW credit for higher level answers: Eg. three marks for answer in terms of s = ut + ½at²
		(ii)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 22 (m/s) award 2 marks 10 = v (- 0) / 2.2 OR uses idea that stone gains 10m/s each second ✓ V = 22 (m/s) ✓	2	2 x 2.1	ALLOW 21.56 or 21.58 or 21.6 (if g=9.8 or 9.81)

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(b)	only 2 arrows drawn or directions of the two forces described – one upwards and one downwards ✓	4	2.1	Award marks for answer points given in diagrams or prose.
	Correctly names weight and air resistance / drag ✓		1.1	ALLOW force of gravity or mg or gravitational pull for weight BUT DO NOT ALLOW merely 'gravity'
	downward arrow longer than upward arrow / forces are unbalanced / resultant / net / overall force downwards ✓		2.1	IGNORE upthrust for this marking point only
	so object accelerates / gets faster / increases velocity or speed ✓		1.1	Drag / air resistance
				(3 marks)
				▼ Weight or force of gravity

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