

# **Physics B (Advancing Physics)**

Advanced GCE H559

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## **Mark Scheme for the Units**

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# G491 – Physics in Action

## Section A

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
1	(a)	$\Omega \text{ m} / \text{V A}^{-1} \text{ m} / \text{etc.}$	1	<b>accept</b> any correct equivalent base units e.g. $\text{S}^{-1} \text{ m} / \Omega \text{ m}^2 \text{ m}^{-1}$ <b>accept</b> in words e.g. Ohm metres / capital M for m
	(b)	$\text{S m}^{-1} / (\Omega \text{ m})^{-1} / \text{etc.}$	1	<b>accept</b> any correct equivalent base units e.g. $\text{A V}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1}$ <b>accept</b> in words e.g. Siemens per metre / capital M for m
2		increase ; brightness / increase / stretch / improve ; contrast / <b>OR</b> Any two from: (pixel value) subtract (smallest pixel value) / multiply / by greater than 1	2	AW sense of change for first mark ; named modification <b>accept</b> brighter for 2 marks <b>accept</b> increase pixel values for 1 mark <b>accept</b> stretch / increase range of pixel values for 2 marks e.g. times pixel value by 4 gets 2 mark <b>ignore</b> edge detection, noise reduction etc
3	(a)	crystal features / sharp or straight edges / flat planes or straight lines / regular angles / cleavage	1	<b>accept</b> AW for idea of regularity in any form <b>accept</b> straight breaks / sharp cracks <b>ignore</b> references to crack propagation <b>accept</b> ORA: states feature of plastic flow and notes they are missing <b>NOT</b> edges are rough / jagged / harsh
	(b)	structure might fail / fracture / is not tough in low temperatures (of space)	1	AW ora but need to make link to low temperatures <b>allow</b> weaker / not as strong in cold
4	(a)	peak to peak signal in the range 4.1 to 4.5 mV	1	n.b. analogue signal without noise variation – judge by value
	(b)	peak to peak noise in the range 0.2 to 0.5 mV	1	
	(c)	$(2^8) = 256$ (levels)	1	<b>NOT</b> 255
	(d)	<b>First easy mark</b> , any <b>one</b> relevant point: 4 bits / $2^4$ gives 16 levels / coding for noise detail is pointless / (4) bits are redundant / resolution for (8 bits) is too good / small / smaller than noise (level) <b>Second mark</b> (must be quantitative) $(V_{\text{total}} / V_{\text{noise}}) \approx 16$ / own value correctly calculated / resolution $\approx 5 \text{ mV} / 255 = 0.02 \text{ mV}$	2	AW throughout <b>accept</b> $\log_2 (V_{\text{total}} / V_{\text{noise}}) \approx 4$ for 1 mark / with own value correctly calculated 2 marks <b>NOT</b> Any credit for sampling eliminating noise / converting noise to signal, but do not penalise with <b>con.</b> <b>accept</b> for first mark resolution of 4 bits $\approx$ noise level  <b>allow</b> ecf on their values from <b>a</b> and <b>b</b> e.g. $2.3/0.2 = 11.5$

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
5		$R = V^2 / P$ / $= 240^2 / 2200$ 26.(2) ( $\Omega$ )	1 1	method / <b>allow</b> 1st mark for $(I = P / V) = 9.1(7)$ A evaluation no s.f. penalty
6	(a)	components e.g. glass & plastic / steel & concrete / stone/aggregate & cement / steel & glass / lignin & cellulose  make composite e.g. GRP / reinforced concrete / concrete / safety glass / natural wood	1  1	must mention two sensible components of a known / feasible composite for first mark <b>accept</b> natural composite materials e.g. wood / bone name the composite material for second mark (must be plausible) <b>NOT</b> e.g. steel reinforced carbon / carbon fibre reinforced steel / alloys (0 marks for alloy answers in part (a) ) 1 mark only if the materials do not correspond to composite
	(b)	any one benefit of <b>each</b> component made clear e.g. strength / stiffness of glass ; toughness of plastic  OR toughness / tensile strength of steel ; cheapness / aesthetics / moldability of concrete	2	<b>accept</b> aesthetic / economic / other non-physical properties for <b>one</b> component only <b>only</b> credit same property repeated once only <b>accept</b> tensile and compressive strength as different properties <b>allow</b> correct properties even if no credit for composite in (a) credit alloys answers from (a) e.g. steel – iron confers strength to alloy / carbon confers toughness <b>accept</b> properties developed in composite or properties of individual component materials to all answers (even if not the most significant property conferred)
7		wavefronts concave focusing where ray meets CCD wavelengths consistent with plane waves (judged by eye)	1 1	<b>NOT</b> any credit for only <b>rays</b> focussing Expect 3 or 4 wavefronts drawn to fill gap, <b>but</b> 2 correctly placed waves can score also 2 marks
<b>Total section A</b>			<b>19</b>	

## Section B

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
8	(a)	(i)	1	AW <b>accept</b> any one answer <b>accept</b> Young Modulus is constant <b>not</b> just linear (need both points if this answer )
		(ii)	1 1 1	method <b>accept</b> triangle drawn on graph for this mark <b>accept</b> other correct values from graph including linear extrapolations <b>evaluation:</b> penalise incorrect use of % as -1 mark i.e. max 2/3 for $2.2 \times 10^7$ Pa / $2.2 \times 10^9$ Pa also penalise missing M prefix -1 mark i.e. 2200 Pa scores 1 out of 3 <b>NOT</b> any credit for graph points outside elastic region e.g. 300 MPa / 0.005 (scores 0)
	(b)	(i)	1	evaluation only, method not expected
		(ii)	1 1 1	part evaluation method <b>accept</b> full credit for correct answer <b>accept</b> ecf on incorrect areas for last two marks <b>accept</b> max stress of 220 MPa gives $1.1(1) \times 10^4$ (N) for max 2/3
	(c)		3	3 <sup>rd</sup> mark is for <b>QWC</b> clarity that slip / stress / strain is localised to a few planes / rows of atoms at a time not all at once  AW throughout  <b>QWC</b> answer must clearly explain that slip is localised to a few planes / rows of atoms at a time, otherwise max 2
<b>Total question 8</b>			<b>11</b>	

Question	Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
9 (a)	for functioning circuit diagram including: battery / cell, (m)A and sample in series voltmeter in parallel with sample	1 1	<b>accept</b> $\Omega$ meter and sample in one loop for full credit <b>NOT</b> voltmeter in series (scores 0 for part (a)) <b>accept</b> voltmeter in parallel with sample <b>and</b> ammeter <b>ignore</b> series / safety resistors (unless voltmeter across them)
(b)	Any 3 points from measure $R$ directly / measure $V$ and $I$ ; $G = 1/R$ / $G = I/V$ ; measure length $L$ (of semiconductor) ; measure width and height (of semiconductor)	3	<b>NOT</b> any credit for lengths only mentioned in an equation
(c)	(cross-sectional) area = width x height (use of) $\sigma = GL/A$ in symbols / $\sigma = 0.01 \times 0.01 / (0.01 \times 0.001)$	1 1	<b>Look at (b) / (c) together, credit here if seen in (b)</b> <b>must</b> be clear area is width x height in (b) / (c) for this mark <b>must</b> have transposed equation from formulae sheet for this mark
(d)	<b>identify</b> source of uncertainty (any measurement) / systematic error (zero error / calibration of any instrument)  <b>changes</b> e.g. use micrometer to measure thickness / Vernier calliper to measure width & height / more sensitive meters repeat readings / swap / calibrate meters <b>and</b> average to find mean / spread / monitor temperature / reduce p.d.  <b>improvements / explanation</b> measurements more precise to $\pm 0.01$ mm / plot $I$ vs $V$ graph & line of best fit, use gradient for $G$ to reduce absolute / % uncertainty swap / calibrate meters to eliminate systematic error	1  1  1	1 <sup>st</sup> mark quite easy e.g. uncertainty in thickness measurement / systematic error in resistance measurement / temperature effects / meter resistance / meter resolution <b>NOT</b> human error / internal resistance of supply  <b>NOT just</b> repeat readings / take more accurate measurements  <b>QWC</b> max 2 if ideas are not clearly described and explained
	<b>Total question 9</b>	<b>10</b>	

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance	
10	(a)	(i)	$720 \times 1280 \times 24 \times 50 = 1.1(1) \times 10^9 \text{ (bits s}^{-1}\text{)}$	1	<b>accept</b> bare answer to 2 or more s.f.
		(ii)	$1.1 \times 10^9 \times 3600 \text{ (s/hr)} / 8 \text{ (bits/byte)}$ $= 498 \text{ Gbytes}$	1 1	method / <b>allow</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> mark for getting as far as $3.98 \times 10^{12}$ bits or for recognising 8 bits per byte evaluation <b>accept</b> 450 Gbytes using $10^9 \text{ bits s}^{-1}$ / 495 Gbytes using rounded bit rate
		(iii)	$200 \text{ (Gbyte)} / 80 \text{ (hr)} = 2.5 \text{ (Gbyte / hr)}$	1	<b>accept</b> bare answer to 2 s.f. <b>accept</b> ORA $3\text{Gbytes} \times 80 = 240 > 200$
	(b)	(i)	max information per hour > memory capacity per hour / $498 \text{ Gbyte} > 2.5 \text{ Gbyte}$ (so data must be compressed)	1	<b>accept</b> ecf on (a)(ii) > (a)(iii) <b>accept</b> total information for 80hrs ( $312 \text{ Tb} > 1.6 \text{ Tb}$ ) <b>ignore</b> factors of 2 or 0.5 expect compression ratio 200:1 if worked out
		(ii)	one point from: $10 \text{ MHz} < 1.1 \text{ Gbit s}^{-1}$ / (a)(i) signal bandwidth is too small to support the max bit rate / bandwidth needs to be $\approx$ bit rate / cannot transmit several bits per carrier cycle (so data must be compressed)	1	<b>accept</b> ecf on $10 \text{ MHz} < (a)(i)$ AW
	(c)		transverse wave by word / diagram oscillations (of E / B field) only in vertical direction / plane	1 1	<b>accept</b> any transverse wave diagram AW but must be described / diagram labelled clearly <b>NOT</b> travels / moves in one plane / direction
<b>Total question 10</b>			<b>8</b>		

