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NOTES

Letters are used to distinguish between different types of marks in the scheme.

M indicates OBLIGATORY METHOD MARK

This is usually awarded for the physical principles involved, or for a particular point in the argument or definition. It is followed by one or more accuracy marks which cannot be scored unless the M mark has already been scored.

C indicates COMPENSATION METHOD MARK

This is awarded for the correct method or physical principle. In this case the method can be seen or implied by a correct answer or other correct subsequent steps. In this way an answer might score full marks even if some working has been omitted.

A indicates ACCURACY MARK

These marks are awarded for correct calculation or further detail. They follow an M mark or a C mark.

B indicates INDEPENDENT MARK

This is a mark which is independent of M and C marks.

ecf is used to indicate that marks can be awarded if an error has been carried forward (ecf must be written on the script). This is also referred to as a 'transferred error' or 'consequential marking'.

Where a correct answer only (**cao**) is required, this means that the answer must be as in the Marking Scheme, including significant figures and units.

cnao is used to indicate that the answer must be numerically correct but the unit is only penalised if it is the first error or omission in the section (see below).

Marks should be awarded for **correct** alternative approaches to numerical question that are not covered by the marking scheme. A correct answer from working that contains a physics error (PE) should not be given credit. Examiners should contact the Team Leader or Principal Examiner for confirmation of the validity of the method, if in doubt.

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Que	estion 1			
а		mass depends only on the amount of matter present owtte	B1	
		weight is force between body and Earth/depends on <i>g/mg/</i> gravitational field strength or answers in terms of Newton's gravitational law	B1	3
		g (etc) varies at different points on and above the Earth or is different on different planets etc	B1	
b	i	reference is 'infinity' where potential is 0	B1	
		energy has to be put in/work has to be done to move mass to infinity or a bodies energy/PE decreases as a body moves from infinity towards the Earth	B1	2
b	ii	need to show <i>Vr</i> to be constant, clear from algebra or final statement	B1	
		two sets of data used correctly	B1	3
		all three sets of data used correctly (4.02, 4.025, 4.028)	B1	
b	iii	energy change per kg = $(5.36 - 3.22) \times 10^7 (J)$	B1	•
		total change = 963 (960) × 10 ⁷ J	B1	2
С	i	$GMm/r^2 = mv^2/r \text{ or } v = \sqrt{(GM/r)}$	C1	
		$v^2 = 3.2 \times 10^7 \mathrm{m}^2 \mathrm{s}^{-2}$ or $v = 5670 \mathrm{m} \mathrm{s}^{-1}$	C1	4
		use of KE = $\frac{1}{2} mv^2$ using their v	C1	4
		7.2 GJ	A1	
С	ii	KE changes by 4.8 GJ (allow ecf, 12 – their ci)	B1	1
С	iii	total energy (supplied) = (4.8) GJ (cnao)		
		(allow 5.2 GJ using 10 GJ for change in $\textbf{\textit{E}}_p$) (allow variations due to rounding off if physics is correct in previous parts)	B1	1
			Total	16

Question 2			
а	attempt to use power = mgh/t or $P = Fv$ and $v = s/t$	C1	
	7546/7550/7600	A 1	3
	W (allow J s ⁻¹ and condone N m s ⁻¹)	B1	
b	loss of GPE = 550 × 9.81 × 35 = 189 kJ	C1	
	gain in KE = 0.5 × 550 × 22 ² = 133 kJ	C1	
	resistance force = their difference/63 (890 N if correct)	A 1	4
	answer to 2 sf (allow if answer is from working even if incorrect)	B1	

С	air resistance varies/increases	B1	
	frictional force varies/increases	B1	3
	further detail: air resistance increases with speed/v or normal reaction force varies with angle of the slope	B1	
d	use of $F = mv^2/r$	C1	
	arrives at $r = 12 \mathrm{m}$ (ignoring the weight)	C1	3
	16.4 m	A 1	
		Total	13

Qu	estion 3			
а	i	use of $mg = k\Delta L$ or $F = k\Delta L$ and $F = mg$	C1	
		extension = 5.9 m	A 1	3
		total length = 25.9 m (allow 20 + their extension)	B1	
а	ii	20 + twice (5.9) amplitude + 2.6; 34.4 m; allow ecf from ai	B1	1
b	i	$T = 2\pi \sqrt{m/k}$ and $T = 1/f$ or $f = 1/2\pi \sqrt{k/m}$	B1	
		correct substitution: allow for calculation of T (4.85s)	B1	3
		0.21 or 0.206 (Hz)	B1	
b	ii	substitutes data in $v_{\text{max}} = 2\pi f A$	C1	2
		$5.4\mathrm{ms}^{-1}$ (5.28 to 5.53)	A 1	2
b	iii	two complete oscillations shown with positive and negative velocities and acceptable shape (condone more than 2)	B1	
		and two from		
		period of 5s used in graph (allow ecf for T from earlier part)	B1	3
		start at 0 and positive velocity change at T = 0 with positive and negative velocities shown	В1	
		max velocity shown decreasing	B1	
С	i	it would have to raised	B1	
		rest extension would be greater/rider would be nearer the ground if extension unchanged	B1	
		the rider has to move down a distance = to the amplitude (5.9 m) from the new rest position	В1	
		or with same initial extension/energy stored in rope, the rider would reach a lower height		3
		amplitude would be lower		
		or due to the larger mass more energy (= mgh) is needed to reach the same height		
		so initial extension would have to be increased		

			Total	18
		(allow a statement to the effect that to hit the floor would contravene conservation of energy or require an energy input)		
		the PE gained (at the top of the flight) can (at most) only be converted back to the elastic energy that was stored in the rope at the start	B1	
		the rider would fall and, with negligible air resistance, the rope would again absorb the energy arriving back at the start point or rider is more likely to fail to reach the ground after one oscillation due to energy losses/air resistance	B1	3
С	ii	the rope would become slack at the top of the ride so the rider would go into free flight/rider would overshoot the highest point	B1	

Question 4			
а	any four from		
	fuel is 'burned' (mention of reaction between fuel and oxidiser) to raise the temperature/pressure of the gases produced in the combustion chamber	B1	
	as the gas (condone fuel) expands out of the chamber it has kinetic energy/momentum	B1	max 4
	fuel ejected (through a narrow opening so fuel so) has a high speed	B1	max 4
	the total momentum of the rocket and fuel must be conserved	B1	
	rocket momentum increase forwards is equal to the increase in momentum of the fuel backwards	B1	
	force on rocket = change in momentum of fuel per second	B1	
b i	use of $v_f = v_e \ln(m_0/m_f)$ with substitution of either 2500 or 35000/5000	C1	
	2500 and 35000/5000 substituted correctly	C1	4
	4.86 k m s ⁻¹	A 1	
	19.9 k m s ⁻¹ (this change in speed + 15)	B1	
b ii	rate of change of momentum = force or numerical equivalent	C1	
	acceleration = rate of change of momentum/ass or numerical equivalent	C1	3
	$3.9\mathrm{ms}^{-2}$	A 1	
b iii	start at kms ⁻¹	B1	
	correct curvature showing rate of change of velocity increasing	B1	3
	and finally horizontal starting at 'all fuel used up'	B1	

b	iv	(thrust is constant so) the rate of increase of velocity (acceleration) increases as the mass of the spacecraft decreases or comments that there is no acceleration after the fuel is used up or no accelerating or resistive forces	B1	1
			Total	15

Que	estion 5			
а	i	correct reading of wavelength 1.4 ± 0.01 × 10 ⁻¹⁰	C1	
		use of E = hc/λ	C1	3
		1.4 (1.38) × 10 ⁻¹⁵ J	A 1	
а	ii	energy = eV and 1.6 × 10 ⁻¹⁹ used for e	C1	•
		60 kV	A 1	2
а	iii	power = their aii × 5.5 (ignore powers of 10)	C1	2
		330 W ecf their a × 5.5 × 10 ⁻³	A 1	2
b		energy in electron beam produces heating of target	B1	
		only a small proportion of the energy is converted to X-rays or most of energy is thermal energy at point of impact	B1	3
		if not rotated the target would melt (condone overheat)	B1	
С		The marking scheme for this question includes an overall assessment for the quality of written communication (QWC). There are no discrete marks for the assessment of QWC but the candidate's QWC in this answer will be one of the criteria used to assign a level and award the marks for this question.		
		Descriptor – an answer will be expected to meet most of the criteria in the level descriptor.		
		Level 3 – Good		
		claims supported by an appropriate range of evidence		
		good use of information or ideas about physics, going beyond those given in the question		5-6
		argument well structured with minimal repetition or irrelevant points		
		 accurate and clear expression or ideas with only minor errors of grammar, punctuation and spelling 		
		Level 2 – Modest		
		claims partly supported by evidence		
		good use of information or ideas about physics given in the question but limited beyond this		3-4
		the argument shows some attempt at structure		
		the ideas are expressed with reasonable clarity but with a few errors of grammar, punctuation and spelling		

Level 1 – Limited		
valid points but not clearly linked to an argument structure		
limited use of information about physics		1-2
unstructured		
errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar of lack of fluency		
Level 0		0
incorrect, inappropriate or no response		U
Examples of the sort of information or ideas that might be used to support an argument:		
 mention of X-rays produced by collisions of fast moving electrons with the target 		
lose energy/decelerate when incident on the target		
energy loss in collision becomes X-ray photon		
• change in energy = hf		
may lose different and non-defined amounts of energy		
from 0 to energy of electron		
different frequencies of X rays produced		
maximum frequency energy is when photon energy = electron energy		
electrons excite electrons in the target atoms		
electrons excited are those in the inner energy levels		
when they relax x-ray photon produced		
electrons lose energy and move into lower energy levels		
the energy levels are well defined so line spectrum produced		
answer may be supported by an energy level diagram		
electrons are those in the inner energy levels		
when they relax x-ray photon produced		
the energy levels are well defined so line spectrum produced		
	Total	16

Qu	estion 6			
а	i	A ₂ deflects momentarily (allow emf induced momentarily)	B1	
		flux produced by 1 links 2	В1	3
		(increase/change in flux) causes an induced emf/current in 2	В1	
а	ii	A ₂ deflects in opposite direction to that in stage 1	B1	
		flux decreases so emf induced	B1	3
		to oppose the decrease or other reasonable attempt to explain in terms of Lenz's law	B1	-
а	iii	deflections of both meters are larger	B1	
		(higher current produces) increase in maximum flux/flux density	B1	3
		rate of change of flux is greater so greater emf induced	B1	
b	i	attempt to measure gradient at 0.5 s	C1	
		40 mT s ⁻¹ or area of coil = 1.13 × 10 ⁻³ m ² or π (19 × 10 ⁻³) ²	C1	
		attempt to use ε = rate of change of flux density × AN or N d(BA)/dt	C1	4
		0.24 ± 0.03 V	A 1	
b	ii	speed of pulse = 1159 m s ⁻¹	M1	2
		sandstone	A 1	2
С		any three from		
		explosions could damage remains/not a good idea on such sites	B1	
		suggestion of another way of making the wave pulse	B1	
		source and geophone need to be close together	В1	
		suggestion of separation to be used with reason	В1	
		need a more sensitive geophone with sensible reason	В1	max 3
		need more precise timer because times are short or suggestion of suitable precision for timer	B1	
		will need to do a systematic survey over the site rather than just one measurement	B1	
		use a grid system	B1	

d	any two from		
	ultrasound are longitudinal/mechanical	B1	
	radio waves are transverse/electromagnetic	B1	
	radio waves have much higher frequency than ultrasound	B1	
	radio waves travel much faster than ultrasound (numerical comparison okay)	B1	max 4
	microwaves more penetrating	B1	
	plus		
	send a pulse and measure time between sending the pulse and receiving the echo	B1	
	depth is half the speed × time	B1	
		Total	22

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