

**GCE**

**Physics B (Advancing Physics)**

Unit **G494**: Rise and Fall of the Clockwork Universe

Advanced GCE

**Mark Scheme for June 2015**

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Annotation	Meaning
	Benefit of doubt given
	Contradiction
	Incorrect response
	Error carried forward
	Follow through
	Not answered question
	Benefit of doubt not given
	Power of 10 error
	Omission mark
	Rounding error
	Error in number of significant figures
	Correct response
	Arithmetic error
	Wrong physics or equation

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

<b>Annotation</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
/	alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point
(1)	Separates marking points
<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
( )	Words which are not essential to gain credit
—	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

The following questions should be annotated with ticks to show where marks have been awarded in the body of the text:

Unless stated otherwise in the mark scheme, accept calculations which round to the mark scheme answer for full marks.

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1 a	$\text{N kg}^{-1}$	1	
b	$\text{N m kg}^{-1}$	1	
2	EITHER red shift of light/radiation from (distant) <u>galaxies</u> ; because galaxies are moving away from each other / have recessional velocity $v$ ; OR (uniform) microwave background; which is red-shifted light from early universe;	1 1	<b>ignore</b> references to expansion of the universe <b>accept</b> increase/stretching of wavelength as red shift <b>accept</b> galaxies moving away from Earth  <b>accept</b> cosmological microwaves <b>accept</b> radiation for light
3	$\gamma = 42/18 = 2.33$ ; $v = c\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\gamma^2}}$ $v = 3.0 \times 10^8 \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{5.44}} = 2.7 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	1 1 1	<b>look for</b> evidence of correct transposition of data sheet formula  <b>no ecf</b> for incorrect $\gamma$
4 a	initial KE = $\frac{1}{2} 50 \times 200^2 = 1.00 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$ ; final KE = $\frac{1}{2} (350 + 50) \times 25^2 = 1.25 \times 10^5 \text{ J} \approx 1.3 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$ ; initial momentum: $50 \times 200 = 1.0 \times 10^4 \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$ , final momentum = $(350 + 50) \times 25 = 1.0 \times 10^4 \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$	1 1 1	<b>accept</b> $1 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$  <b>look for</b> full working in calculations, not just final value <b>accept</b> 400 as final mass if 350 + 50 shown elsewhere <b>look for</b> words like initial/before and final/after as labels to calculations of energy or momentum <b>accept</b> alphabetic suffixes e.g. <b>i</b> , <b>b</b> , <b>f</b> or <b>a</b> to $p$ and $E$ as labels
	work done deforming the spacecraft;	1	<b>accept</b> transfer to heat or thermal energy, <b>ignore</b> sound
5 b	C	1	
6 a	-0.3(0); -0.3(0); ( $0.015 - 0.05 \times 0.45 =$ ) $-0.0075 \approx -0.008$	1 1 1	<b>allow ecf</b> if $v =$ incorrect $\Delta v$ <b>no ecf</b> for incorrect $v$
6 b	any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• formula has effectively infinite number of steps</li> <li>• not enough steps in the iterative calculation</li> <li>• time interval too long in iterative calculation</li> <li>• each iteration assumes constant speed</li> </ul>	1	<b>accept</b> step-widths of zero time  <b>ignore</b> constant acceleration other than zero acceleration

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7	evidence of suitable test e.g. is $\rho T$ constant;  test applied to all data to 2 s.f. or 3 s.f.;  $273 \times 1.29 = 352$ (350) $283 \times 1.25 = 354$ (350) $293 \times 1.20 = 352$ (350) $303 \times 1.16 = 351$ (350)	1  1	<b>accept</b> calculations to more than 3 s.f with a conclusion which mentions that numbers are either not the same to 3 s.f. or the same to 2 s.f.  <b>ignore</b> any conclusion about the truth of the relationship
8	EITHER  measure time for half the sample to decay ( $t_{1/2}$ ), use $\lambda = \frac{\ln 2}{t_{1/2}}$ ;  OR take a known number of atoms, measure activity and use equation given; OR measure gradient ( $-\lambda$ ) of a $\ln(\text{activity})$ -time graph;	1	<b>accept</b> measure half-life from activity-time graph
9	B	1	
	<b>Section A Total</b>	<b>20</b>	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
10 a	$\frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{GMm}{r^2};$ evidence of $v = \frac{2\pi r}{T}$ ; algebraic manipulation to final formula;	1	<b>accept</b> $mr\omega^2$ as $\frac{mv^2}{r}$ <b>not</b> $\frac{mv^2}{r} = -\frac{GMm}{r^2}$
		1	<b>accept</b> $\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T}$ , $v = r\omega$ , $\omega = 2\pi f$
		1	<b>look for</b> clear steps <b>ignore</b> loss of minus sign in final manipulation
b	$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 = 1.098 \times 10^{21} \text{ m}^3;$ $M = \rho V = 2.7 \times 10^3 \times 1.098 \times 10^{21} = 2.96 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$	1	<b>look for</b> correct formula or evaluation
		1	<b>accept</b> $3.0 \times 10^{24}$ with full working for [2] <b>accept</b> $V = 1.1 \times 10^{21} \text{ m}^3$ gives $2.97 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$ for [2]
c	any two points from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• time for pulse to reach moon = time for pulse to return;</li> <li>• radius of Moon / Earth is comparably negligible;</li> <li>• speed of pulse is constant (throughout the journey)  <b>or</b> Earth's atmosphere does not affect speed of pulse <b>or</b> pulse travels at speed of light in a vacuum (<math>3 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}</math>) <b>or</b> speed of light is constant ;</li> </ul>	2	<b>not</b> distance for time, <b>accept</b> (laser) light for pulse
			<b>not just</b> travels at the speed of light
ii	$r = \frac{3.0 \times 10^8 \times 2.5}{2} = 3.75 \times 10^8 \text{ m};$ $G = \left( \frac{4\pi^2}{3.0 \times 10^{24}} \right) \frac{(3.75 \times 10^8)^3}{(2.4 \times 10^6)^2} = 1.2 \times 10^{-10} \text{ N m}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2};$	1	
		1	no ecf for incorrect value of $r$ $r = 3.8 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$ gives $G = 1.25 \times 10^{-10}$ or $1.3 \times 10^{-10}$
iii	density / mass of Earth incorrect; need to use density of whole Earth / core and mantle are made of different material / density increases with increasing depth;	1	<b>accept</b> mass / density is too great
		1	<b>accept</b> orbit may not be circular for [1] <b>ignore</b> references to radius of Earth and Moon
<b>Total</b>		<b>11</b>	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
11 a	molecules bounce off the ground; any <b>two</b> of the following <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. each bounce transfers momentum to ground</li> <li>2. force on ground is rate of transfer of momentum</li> <li>3. pressure is force per unit area</li> </ol>	3	<b>accept</b> collide with the ground  <b>accept</b> impulse as momentum transfer / change  <b>ignore</b> algebraic formulae e.g. $F = \frac{\Delta p}{\Delta t}$ , $P = \frac{F}{A}$ , $\Delta p = mv - mu$ QWC: first marking point
b i	$NkT = \frac{1}{3} Nmc^2;$ $T = 293 \text{ K};$ $\sqrt{c^2} = \sqrt{\frac{3kT}{m}} = 512 \text{ ms}^{-1} \approx 510 \text{ m s}^{-1}$	1 1 1	<b>not</b> $kT = \frac{1}{2} mc^2$  <b>ecf</b> $T := 20 \text{ K}$ gives $134 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ for [2] <b>allow</b> $c^2 = 2.62 \times 10^5$ for [2]
ii	any <b>one</b> of the following assumptions <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. elastic collisions</li> <li>2. molecules impact surface at right angles to it</li> <li>3. all molecules moving at rms speed</li> </ol> evidence of use of $F = PA$ ( $= 1.0 \times 10^5 \times 0.56 = 5.6 \times 10^4 \text{ N}$ ); EITHER $F = \frac{\Delta p}{\Delta t} = \frac{2nm\sqrt{c^2}}{1} \text{ and } n = 1.2 \times 10^{27} \text{ s}^{-1}; (2)$ OR $F = \frac{\Delta p}{\Delta t} = \frac{nm\sqrt{c^2}}{1} \text{ and } n = 2.3 \times 10^{27} \text{ s}^{-1}; (1)$	1 1 2	$\sqrt{c^2} = 500 \text{ m s}^{-1} \text{ gives } 2.4 \times 10^{27} \text{ s}^{-1}$
	<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	





Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
<b>13 a</b>	large amplitude (vertical) oscillations; make it dangerous/unpleasant for occupants of lift ;	1 1	<b>ignore</b> references to sideways oscillations / swinging <b>accept</b> break cables
<b>b i</b>	use of $k = \frac{F}{x}$ or $F = kx$ ;	1	<b>accept</b> $k = \frac{F}{\Delta L}$
<b>b ii</b>	use of $\frac{F}{A} = E \frac{x}{L}$ to obtain required expression	1	
<b>c i</b>	$k = \frac{2.0 \times 10^{11} \times 2.5 \times 10^{-4}}{300} = 1.67 \times 10^5 \text{ Nm}^{-1}$ $T = (2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{1500 + 640}{1.67 \times 10^5}}) = 0.711 \text{ s}$ $f = \frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{0.711} = 1.4 \text{ Hz}$	1 1 1	<b>no ecf</b> on incorrect $k$  <b>allow ecf</b> if mass is just 1500 kg (1.7 Hz) or 640 kg (2.6 Hz) for [2]
<b>c i</b>	idea that damping requires friction / energy transfer from lift AND slowing down the lift / reducing efficiency of lift	1	
<b>ii</b>	EITHER reducing $L$ (to increase $k$ ); raising $f_0$ (above 2 Hz); OR increasing mass of load / cage; lowering $f_0$ (below 0.2 Hz); OR decreasing mass of load / cage raising $f_0$ (above 2 Hz) OR increasing csa of cables (to increase $k$ ) raising $f_0$ (above 2 Hz); OR use a cable material which is stiffer / increased $E$ ; raising $f_0$ (above 2 Hz)	1 1	any realistic modification [1] which is explained [1] <b>not</b> increasing $L$  <b>not</b> reducing csa of cables  <b>not</b> more elastic material  QWC against second marking point (organise information clearly)
	<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	

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