

# **Physics B (Advancing Physics)**

Advanced GCE

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

## **Mark Scheme for January 2011**

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| Question |   | Expected Answers  | Marks  | Rationale   |
|----------|---|---|--------|---|
| 1        | a | $\text{kg m s}^{-2}$  | 1      |   |
|          | b | $\text{m s}^{-1}$   | 1      |   |
| 2        |   | <input type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | 1      |   |
| 3        | a | $V = \frac{Q}{C}$   | 1      | not just $Q = CV$   |
|          | b | $I = -\frac{dQ}{dt}$  | 1      |   |
|          | c | $\frac{V}{R} = -\frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{Q}{RC}$   | 1      | look for correct substitution for $I$ into answer for (b) (allow ecf)<br>AND correct substitution for $V$ from (a) (allow ecf)<br><b>accept</b> final incorrect answer which matches incorrect answers to (a) and (b)   |
| 4        | a | $\frac{1.1 \times 10^{-2}}{2.9 \times 10^{-2}} \times 6.0 \times 10^{23} = 2.28 \times 10^{23}$ or $2.3 \times 10^{23}$   | 1      | $2 \times 10^{23}$ particles gives $9.7 \times 10^{-3}$ kg for [1]  |
|          | b | $\overline{c^2} = \frac{3pV}{Nm}$ ;<br>$m_{\text{air}} = \frac{2.9 \times 10^{-2}}{6.0 \times 10^{23}} = 4.83 \times 10^{-26}$ kg<br>$\overline{c^2} = 2.5 \times 10^5 \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-2}$<br>$N = 2 \times 10^{23}$ gives $2.9 \times 10^5 \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-2}$ for [2] | 1<br>1 | correct substitution into equation for $\overline{c^2}$ , perhaps with $m = 1.1 \times 10^{-2}$ kg or $2.9 \times 10^{-2}$ kg for [1];<br>correct evaluation of $m$ and $\overline{c^2}$ for [1]<br>$m_{\text{air}} = 2.9 \times 10^{-2}$ kg gives $4.1(7) \times 10^{-19}$ / $4.7(5) \times 10^{-19} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^2$ for [1]<br>$m_{\text{air}} = 1.1 \times 10^{-2}$ kg gives $1.1 \times 10^{-18}$ / $1.2(5) \times 10^{-18} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^2$ for [1] |
| 4        | c |    | 1      | look for a straight line through the origin<br><br>line does not have to be drawn with a ruler  |

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| 5 a      | (shift of) wavelength of (absorption) lines in spectrum of a galaxy   | 1          | accept wavelength / frequency  |
| 5 b      | (redshift means) universe is expanding / galaxies are moving away from each other / velocity away us increases with increasing distance;<br><br>therefore universe / galaxies / stars were at the same point far enough back in time; | 1<br><br>1 | <br><br>not just closer together in the past   |
| 6        | C   | 1          |  |
| 7 a      | 16(.43)   | 1          | not 20, 115/7  |
| 7 b      | $7.3 \times 10^{-8} / 7.5 \times 10^{-8}$   | 1          | accept $1.1 \times 10^{-7}$ from $e/kT = 16$<br>accept full ecf from (a)   |
| 7 c      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  | 1          | accept any clearly unambiguous correct response  |
| 8        |   | 1          | look for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• cosine curve of any constant amplitude</li> <li>• correct period</li> <li>• correct phase</li> </ul> amplitude can change by half a square across the graph<br>maxima and minima within the red lines<br>zero crossings within the green lines |
| 9 a      | $E = 0.5 \times 4700 \times 10^{-6} \times 20^2 = 0.9(4) \text{ J}$   | 1          | must see calculated value  |
| 9 b      | 40 W  | 1          |  |

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| 10       | a | force proportional to displacement;  | 1  | accept force increases with increasing displacement / distance ...   |  |
|          |   | force and displacement in opposite directions /<br>force always towards equilibrium position;  | 1  | accept acceleration for force throughout<br>not just restoring force or minus sign<br>accept wtte for equilibrium position e.g. centre, midpoint ... |  |
| 10       | b | i  | $f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = 26(.39)$                            | 1<br>1<br>evidence of correct formulae for [1] e.g. $T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}, f = \frac{1}{T}$<br>evidence of correct calculation for [1]        |  |
| 10       | b | ii   | largest amplitude at 26 / 30 Hz / resonant<br>frequency / natural frequency; | 1  | allow ecf from (b)(i) if within 20 Hz to 50 Hz   |
|          |   |  | amplitude decreases with increasing frequency<br>(above resonance);          | 1  | accept small amplitude away from resonance / 26 Hz / 30 Hz<br>ignore sketch graph, award marks for the accompanying words<br>marks are independent, so second mark can be earned if the<br>response doesn't mention resonance. |
| 10       | c | any of the following [1] each, maximum [3]<br>air acts like a spring because: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• as volume decreases pressure increases</li> <li>• because <math>pV</math> is constant (<math>= NkT</math>)</li> <li>• more collisions as particles pushed together</li> <li>• increased transfer of momentum to cone from particles</li> <li>• force from particle impacts restores cone to equilibrium position</li> </ul> any of the following [1] each, maximum [3]<br>effects on the frequency: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• total <math>k</math> increases</li> <li>• spring and air act in parallel</li> <li>• frequency of free oscillations increases</li> <li>• because <math>f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}</math> or <math>f \propto \sqrt{k}</math></li> </ul> | 4  | must have correct technical terms throughout for the fourth mark to be awarded.<br><br>overall mark cannot exceed [4]                                |  |

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|----------|---|--|--|---|--|
| 11       | a |  | 4  | <p>one mark for each point, maximum [4]:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KE rises from A to D with correct shape</li> <li>• KE drops suddenly at D to constant value from D to F</li> <li>• GPE drops from A to D with correct shape</li> <li>• total energy constant from A to D (by eye)</li> <li>• GPE constant from D to F</li> <li>• KE is -0.5 GPE (and constant) from D to F</li> </ul> <p>use the overlay to help you make judgements<br/>vertical part of overlay must pass through D</p> |  |
| 11       | b | $\Delta p = 1.2 \times 10^3 \times 1.8 \times 10^3 - 9.5 \times 10^2 \times 1.5 \times 10^3$ $\Delta p = 7.35 \times 10^5 \text{ Ns}$ $m_{\text{gas}} = 2.5 \times 10^2 \text{ kg}$ $v = 7.35 \times 10^5 / 2.5 \times 10^2 \text{ kg} = 2.9 \times 10^3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ | 1<br>1<br>1  | <p>correct value of <math>\Delta p</math> for [1]<br/>correct <math>m_{\text{gas}}</math> for [1]<br/>ecf incorrect <math>\Delta p</math>, <math>m_{\text{gas}}</math><br/>for ecf must have calculated a <b>change</b> of momentum</p>   |  |
| 11       | c | i  | $\frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{GMm}{r^2}$ <p>cancellation and rearrangement as required</p> | 1<br>1  | <p>not just separate statement of both forces</p> <p>working to final formula must be clear<br/>ignore minus signs</p> |
| 11       | c | ii   | $r = 1.9(36) \times 10^7 \text{ m}$  | 1   | <p>must have correct rounding to earn mark, but not <math>2 \times 10^7</math></p>                                     |

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| 12       | a | $T = 273 + 20 = 293 \text{ K}$   | 1                                   | ecf incorrect $T$ : e.g. $T = 20 \text{ K}$ gives $4.6 \times 10^{28}$ for [1]   |
|          |   | $N = \frac{pV}{kT} = 3.17 \times 10^{27}$ accept $3.2 \times 10^{27}$  | 1                                   |  |
| 12       | b | energy per particle $\approx kT$   | 1                                   | accept anything from $kT$ to $3kT$<br><br>$3 \times 10^{27}$ particles gives 175 W<br>$3.17 \times 10^{27}$ particles gives 185 W  |
|          |   | $\Delta E = 3.2 \times 10^{27} \times 1.4 \times 10^{-23} \times (20 - 5) = 6.7 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$   | 1                                   |  |
|          |   | $P = 6.7 \times 10^5 / 3600 = 187 \text{ W}$ or $190 \text{ W}$  | 1                                   |  |
| 12       | c | <p>EITHER</p> <p>particles have more energy / move faster;<br/> particles collide more (often) / greater impact force;<br/> particles get further apart / occupy a larger volume;<br/> reducing density;</p> <p>OR</p> <p>assuming ideal gas behaviour;<br/> <math>V</math> increase as <math>T</math> increases (at constant <math>p, N</math>);<br/> so same number of particles occupy larger volume;<br/> reducing density;</p> <p>OR</p> <p><math>p = \frac{1}{3} \rho \overline{c^2}</math> for ideal gas;<br/> particles have more energy;<br/> <math>\overline{c^2}</math> increases with increasing energy;<br/> (<math>p</math> constant) so density reduces</p> | <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> | <p>accept increased rate of change of momentum at impact</p> <p>accept <math>pV = NkT</math> instead of ideal gas behaviour<br/> accept volume increases as particle energy increases<br/> accept same mass instead of number of particles</p> |

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| 13       | a | i   | probability of decay;<br>of a single nucleon in one second;   | 1<br>1      | accept proportion of nucleons [1] which decay per second [1]<br>accept muon / electron / particle / nucleus / atom for nucleon<br><br>accept rate of decay as decays per second   |
| 13       | a | ii  | $0.693/1.5 \times 10^{-6} = 4.6(2) \times 10^5 \text{ s}^{-1}$  | 1           |   |
| 13       | b | i   | three half-lives to reduce to one eighth;<br>$t = 3 \times 1.5 \times 10^{-6} = 4.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s};$<br>$s = 4.5 \times 10^{-6} \times 3.0 \times 10^8 = 1.35 \times 10^3 \text{ m};$   | 1<br>1<br>1 | accept use of $N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$ to find $t$<br><br>accept working backwards e.g.:<br>1.4 km gives $4.67 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s}$ [1]<br>$e^{-\lambda t} = 0.116$ [1]<br>$1/0.116 = 8.6$ [1]<br><br>1.4 km gives 3.11 half-lives for [3] |
| 13       | b | ii  |   | 1<br>1      | correct shape (falling with decreasing gradient all the way from 0.0 to 1.4 km) for [1]<br>passing through points for [1] (by eye)<br><br>use overlay for guidance  |
| 13       | b | iii | $\gamma = 4/1.35 = 2.96 / 3.0;$<br>time dilation occurs / muon time runs slower than laboratory time / effective half-life longer for muons<br>/ effective half-life now $4.4 \mu\text{s};$<br>$\gamma$ formula to find $v = 2.8 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1} / v/c = 0.94(1);$ | 1<br>1<br>1 | 1.4 km gives $\gamma = 2.86 / 2.9$  |



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