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# A-LEVEL

# PHYSICS B: PHYSICS IN CONTEXT

PHYB4 – Physics Inside and Out  
Mark scheme

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| Question | Part | Sub part | Marking guidance   | Mark type      | Mark | Comment   |
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| 1        | (a)  | (i)      | Idea of balance<br><br>Prevent (lateral) forces /stress/strain/bending at the axle<br><br>To make centre of mass close to the axis   | B1<br><br>B1   | 2    | Not balancing torques<br><br><br>Look out for energy saving answers |
| 1        | (a)  | (ii)     | Heavier / higher mass/higher weight than gondola<br><br>Moments/product of mass and distance should be the same / moment of inertia the same   | B1<br>B1       | 2    |   |
| 1        | (a)  | (iii)    | Angular acceleration = $0.54 \text{ (rad s}^{-2}\text{)}$ or 1.4/2.6<br><br>Use of $T = I \alpha$ ( $1.9 \times 10^5 \times \text{their angular acceleration}$ )<br>$1.0(2) \times 10^5 \text{ (N m)}$ | C1<br>C1<br>A1 | 3    |   |
| 1        | (a)  | (iv)     | Use of $mr\omega^2$ $86 \times 6.8 \times 1.4^2$<br><br>1150 N (allow 1100 or 1200)  | C1<br><br>A1   | 2    | If equation quoted condone not showing the squaring in substitution |

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| 1 | (a) | (v)  | $W = 86 \times 9.81 / 844 \text{ (N)}$<br>Or attempts to subtract $W$ from their (a) (iv) ; e.g. using 10 for $g$<br><br>$306 \text{ (N)}$ their (a)(iv) - 844 <b>ecf</b>  | C1<br><br>A1           | 2 |  |
| 1 | (a) | (vi) | reaction greatest at the bottom of the circle / least at top<br><br>approx 2000N at bottom and 300N at top<br>or idea of adding and subtracting $mg$ to/from centripetal force correctly<br><br>Reaction half way up -1150 N or $=mv^2/r$<br><b>ANY 2</b>  | B1<br><br>B1           | 2 |  |
| 1 | (b) | (i)  | Use of $0.5I\omega^2$ $0.5 \times 270 \times 5.3^2$<br><br>$3790 \text{ (J)}$  | C1<br><br>A1           | 2 | If formula quoted condone 5.3 not squared for C1   |
| 1 | (b) | (ii) | Reference to two of the (independent) motions/forces<br>I.e. Rotation horizontally(roundabout motion): rotation around axis perpendicular to the bed: Vertical motion (up and down) of cars on the undulating bed<br><br>Reference to all three component<br><br>idea of resultant force being the (vector) addition of these forces<br>or<br>resultant force is variable and unpredictable at different positions | C1<br><br>M1<br><br>A1 | 3 | Rotation may be referred to in terms of centripetal force(but not when referring to the bed) |

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| 1 | (b) | (iii) | smaller passengers reduce/ have smaller moment of inertia<br><br>(angular) accelerations bigger/dangerous (angular) accelerations<br><br>restraints designed for larger riders<br>condone reference to the need to be strapped in for safety<br><b>ANY 2</b>   | B1<br><br>B1                               | 2 |   |
| 2 | (a) | (i)   | $GMm/r^2 = mv^2/r$<br><br>$v = (GM/r)^{1/2}$ or $(\frac{6.7 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.0 \times 10^{24}}{6.71 \times 10^6})^{1/2}$ condoning powers of ten<br><br>7740 or 7720 seen  | B1<br>B1<br><br>B1                         | 3 | Use of 6,67 leads to 7720   |
| 2 | (a) | (ii)  | 3.29 or $3.3 \times 10^{12}$ (J)   | B1   | 1 |   |
| 2 | (a) | (iii) | Substitution into $\Delta E_p = GMm(1/r_1 - 1/r_2)$ seen condoning powers of 10 and wrong values for r<br><br>all correct: $6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.0 \times 10^{24} \times 1.1 \times 10^5 (\frac{1}{6.38 \times 10^6} - \frac{1}{6.71 \times 10^6})$<br><br>$3.4 \times 10^{11}$ seen<br><br>adds their answer from a(ii)<br><br>$3.64 \times 10^{12}$ (J) <b>ecf</b> for incorrect calculation of $\Delta E_p$ or (a)(ii) | C1<br><br>C1<br><br>A1<br><br>M1<br><br>A1 | 5 | Use of $mgh$ can score last two marks( $3.7 \times 10^{12}$ )<br><br>Condone bracket either way |

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| 2 | (a) | (iv) | <p>Greater mass (at launch) due to fuel / boosters</p> <p>Engines inefficient or states cause of inefficiency (internal energy/KE of ejected fuel/heating of surroundings)</p> <p>Energy needed so that fuel/boosters gain PE</p> <p>Energy needed so that fuel/boosters gain KE</p> <p><b>ANY 2</b></p>   | <p>B1</p> <p>B1</p> | 2 |   |
| 2 | (b) | (i)  | <p>takes data from graph = <math>(8.9 \pm 0.1) \times 10^8 \text{ (J kg}^{-1}\text{)}</math></p> <p><math>(9.8 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{13} \text{ (J)}</math></p>  | <p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> | 2 |   |
| 2 | (b) | (ii) | <p>energy needed/work has to be done to change speed/ momentum / KE of the shuttle</p> <p>correct orbital speed will be <math>\sqrt{\frac{GM}{r}}</math> where <math>M</math> is the mass of PC</p> <p>Speed must be such as to prevent the shuttle being pulled into PC</p> <p>At the required orbit radius velocity must be in the correct direction/perpendicular to the radius at the required radius</p> <p>PE + KE or KE in orbit must be <math>0.5 \times 10^8 \text{ J}</math></p> <p>PE + KE must be less than zero</p> <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> B1 plus any one of the above</b></p> | <p>B1</p> <p>B1</p> | 2 | <p>This option must be consistent with the first B1 statement</p> |
| 3 | (a) | (i)  | 1 T when force is 1 N on conductor of length 1 m when current is 1 A   | B1                  | 2 | Condone minor communication deviations                            |

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|   |     |       | magnetic field is perpendicular to conductor/current   | B1                            |   | Well expressed definition with condition |
| 3 | (a) | (ii)  | <p>Force given by (Fleming's) LHR</p> <p>Current and field perpendicular so force on electrons is perpendicular to electron movement /OWTTE</p> <p><u>Force</u> on current carrying conductor is <u>to the left</u> / <u>electron drift/move to the left</u></p> <p>Charge imbalance between the two sides /More electrons one side than the other OWTTE</p> <p><b>ANY 3</b></p> | <p>B1</p> <p>B1</p> <p>B1</p> | 3 |  |
| 3 | (a) | (iii) | <p>magnetic materials /iron/steel/ magnetic objects</p> <p>Anomaly / object where magnetic field or voltage differs from norm</p> <p><b>ANY 2</b></p>  | <p>B1</p> <p>B1</p>           | 2 |  |

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| 3 | (b) | <p>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.</p> <p><b>Descriptor</b> – an answer will be expected to meet most of the criteria in the level descriptor.</p> <p><b>Level 3 – good</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-claims supported by an appropriate range of evidence</li> <li>-good use of information or ideas about physics, going beyond those given in the question</li> <li>-argument well-structured with minimal repetition or irrelevant points</li> <li>-accurate and clear expression of ideas with only minor errors of grammar, punctuation and spelling</li> </ul> <p><b>Level 2 – modest</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-claims partly supported by evidence,</li> <li>-good use of information or ideas about physics given in the question but limited beyond this the argument shows some attempt at structure</li> <li>-the ideas are expressed with reasonable clarity but with a few errors of grammar, punctuation and spelling</li> </ul> <p><b>Level 1 – limited</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-valid points but not clearly linked to an argument structure</li> <li>-limited use of information about physics</li> <li>-unstructured</li> <li>-errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar or lack of fluency</li> </ul> <p><b>Level 0</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-incorrect, inappropriate or no response</li> </ul> | 6 |  |
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|  |  | <p><b>Production of induced current in the buried object</b><br/> current in (transmitter) coil produces mag field<br/> magnetic field is alternating<br/> <u>metal</u> material is in the field<br/> Faraday's law states.....<br/> emf induce in conducting material when field changes<br/> Eddy current in material<br/> Eddy current produces magnetic field<br/> <b>Detection of the induced emf due to buried object</b><br/> Pulsed current / magnetic field switches off<br/> eddy current decay produces changing magnetic field<br/> Detector coil detects (changing) magnetic field from metallic object<br/> emf induced in detector coil.<br/> Induced emf measured.<br/> Use of sound or meter for detection<br/> Strength / duration of pulse indicates depth /. size of buried metallic object</p> <p><b>Level 3</b><br/> Answers should address both these in detail. The account may omit some aspects of the process but overall it should be a coherent description of the operation. There may be a useful well labelled diagram.</p> <p><b>Level 2</b><br/> This is likely to have some omissions which leave questions as to how detection is achieved but will contain most of the key ideas particularly about the process of producing induced emfs. It may be vague in terms of the use of pulses and the link between eddy current and the detected field.<br/> The diagram will have some use showing current loops but lack clarity.</p> <p><b>Level 1</b><br/> This is likely to be a superficial attempt with at least some attempt to explain the production of induced emfs and that the induced fields are then detected by another induced emf process. It may lack coherence</p> <p><b>Level 0</b><br/> This will contain no physics of relevance or inaccurate physics.</p> |  |  |  |
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| 4 | (a) | (i)   | Substitutes into $pV=nRT$ or rearranges to $n = pV/RT$<br><br>Converts to kelvin; 3473 seen or 3200 +273<br><br>8565 (mol) / 8560 /8570 / 8600   | C1<br><br>C1<br><br>A1           | 3 | For substitution condone power of 10 error<br>minor misreads of data<br>Use of temperature in °C |
| 4 | (a) | (ii)  | Change is adiabatic (if thinking instant it leaves) $Q = 0$<br>$Q$ is negative (if small) as gas cools(if thinking a little afterwards)<br><br>gas does work as it expands<br><br>$W$ is negative<br><br>( $\Delta U = Q + W$ ) Internal energy falls  | B1<br><br>B1<br><br>B1<br><br>B1 | 4 |  |
| 4 | (a) | (iii) | More expansion could have taken place and provide more thrust / higher exhaust speed / higher exhaust momentum<br><br>Energy wasted by gas continuing to expand after leaving the rocket<br>Or gas does less work than it could so less thrust   | B1                               | 1 |  |
| 4 | (b) |       | Rearranges rocket equation to give $\frac{m_f}{m_o} = e^{-v_f/v_e}$ or $\ln \frac{m_f}{m_o} = -\frac{v_f}{v_e}$<br><br>Substitutes in any form of rocket equation eg $6400 = 3800 \ln(m_o/m_f)$<br><br>0.186 or 0.814 or 5.38 or $\left(1 - \frac{1}{5.38}\right)$ or $(1 - 0.186)$<br><br>81.4% | C1<br><br>C1<br><br>C1<br><br>A1 | 4 | Or equivalent  |
| 4 | (c) | (i)   | Higher exhaust speeds / allows higher speed for same fuel mass or same speed for   | B1                               | 1 |  |

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|   |     |       | less fuel /less fuel used   |                        |   |   |
| 4 | (c) | (ii)  | Can't be used in atmosphere / large energies needed / low thrust / low acceleration   | B1                     | 1 |   |
| 4 | (c) | (iii) | Small adjustments / long distance flights/low acceleration propulsion in space  | B1                     | 1 |   |
| 5 | (a) | (i)   | Deceleration of electrons (when they hit target)<br><br>Emission of photons<br><br>Can lose energy in one collision or many / can lose any amount of energy in each collision (up to max available)<br><br>Bremsstrahlung mentioned<br><b>ANY 3</b> | B1<br><br>B1<br><br>B1 | 3 | Collision must be mentioned somewhere in the answer for this mark |
| 5 | (a) | (ii)  | Selects 150 keV<br><br>correctly changes to J / multiplies by $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ / rearranges to give $\lambda = hc/E$<br><br>$8.25$ or $8.3 \times 10^{-12}$ m  | C1<br>C1<br>A1         | 3 |   |
| 5 | (b) |       | Uses $I = I_0 e^{-150 \times 0.035}$ condoning powers of 10<br><br>-5.25 (=150 x 0.035) or 0.0052(5) ( $=e^{-150 \times 0.035}$ ) seen<br><br>0.52% or 0.525%   | C1<br>C1<br>A1         | 3 |   |

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| 5 | (c) |     | Contrast medium provides greater absorbance/attenuation of x rays (than body tissue)<br>Higher absorption coefficient<br>Contrast medium goes to particular area/ area of interest / highlights a particular area | B1<br>B1       | 2 |  |
| 6 | (a) | i   | <u>Magnetic</u> field<br><br>Varies (linearly) in strength across the body/in different parts of the body   | B1<br>B1       | 2 |  |
| 6 | (a) | ii  | Idea that protons precess at particular / Lamor frequency<br><br>Frequency depends on/is proportional to the B field<br><br>rf waves cause <u>resonance</u> only where they match Lamor frequency                 | B1<br>B1<br>B1 | 3 |  |
| 6 | (a) | iii | rf waves switched off<br><br>Precession decays/precessing protons relax<br><br>Protons radiate energy as radio waves<br><br>Intensity depends on number of hydrogen atoms present<br><b>ANY 3</b>                 | B1<br>B1<br>B1 | 3 |  |
| 6 | (a) | iv  | Change rf to different frequency<br><br>(Each) rf produces image of 1 slice/cross-section<br><br>(Computer constructs) whole body image from many individual slices<br><b>ANY 2</b>                               | B1<br>B1       | 2 |  |

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| 6 | (b) |  | <b>Advantages of MRI:</b><br>doesn't involve harmful/ionising radiation/low energy photons (condone radiation)<br>can image tissue within bone<br>better contrast between tissues<br>condone resolution<br><b>Disadvantages of MRI:</b><br>cost<br>time taken for scan/time to wait for a scan<br>limited patient size<br>problems with metals (eg hip replacements / orthopaedic pins)<br>some patients claustrophobic<br>patient may have to be sedated | B1<br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br>B1 | 2 |                         |
| 7 | (a) |  | $\sin c = 1/n$ or $\sin c = n_2/n_1$ ( $=v_1/v_2$ )<br><br>$n = \text{OR } 3000/1800$ or 1.67 OR $\sin c = 1800/3000$<br><br>$36.9^\circ$   | B1<br><br>B1<br><br>A1                       | 3 |                         |
| 7 | (b) |  | $5.44 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}$   | B1   | 1 |                         |
| 7 | (c) |  | $PQ = RS = 3.26 \text{ m}$<br><br>$2.6 \tan 37$ or $3.26 \sin 37$ or 1.96 seen or<br><br>$QR = 5.88 \text{ m}$ i.e $QR = 9.8 - (2 \times 1.96)$<br><br>$t = (2 \times \text{their } 3.26/1800) + (\text{their } 5.88/3000)$ { 0.00362 + 0.00196 if correct}<br><br>$5.58 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (s)}$ cao to 2 or 3 sf   | B1<br><br>C1<br><br>C1<br><br>C1<br><br>A1   | 5 | Or alternative geometry |

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| 8 | (a) |  | Percentage uncertainty in timing $(0.00001/0.09) \times 100$ or 0.011%<br>Or uncertainty in timing = $1/9000$ or 0.00011  | B1 | 3 |  |
|   |     |  | Appreciation that % uncertainty or absolute uncertainty in $t$ has to be doubled  | B1 |   |  |
|   |     |  | 0.042 seen  | B1 |   |  |
| 8 | (b) |  | $0.042\%$ of $9.81 / 3.9 \times 10^{-3} / 4.0 \times 10^{-3} / 4.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (m s}^{-2}\text{)}$<br>or $g = 987 \text{ gal}$ or $1 \text{ gal} = 0.001 \text{ N kg}^{-1}$ | M1 | 2 |  |
|   |     |  | 0.39 / 0.40 / 0.41 gal Allow 1 sf   | A1 |   |  |