

**Advanced Subsidiary GCE
PHYSICS A**

G482 QP

Unit G482: Electrons, Waves and Photons

Specimen Paper

Candidates answer on the question paper.

Time: 1 hour 45
minutes

Additional Materials:
Data and formulae sheet
Electronic calculator

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre number and Candidate number in the boxes above.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Use blue or black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Do **not** write in the bar code.
- Do **not** write outside the box bordering each page.
- WRITE YOUR ANSWER TO EACH QUESTION IN THE SPACE PROVIDED.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- Where you see this icon you will be awarded marks for the quality of written communication in your answer.
- You may use an electronic calculator.
- You are advised to show all the steps in any calculations.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **100**.

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Qu.	Max.	Mark
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4	15	
5	12	
6	10	
7	11	
8	12	
TOTAL	100	

This document consists of **18** printed pages and **2** blank pages.

Answer **all** the questions.

- 1 (a) Name the charge carriers responsible for electric current in a metal and in an electrolyte.

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 [2]

- (b) (i) Define electrical *resistivity*.

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 [2]

- (ii) Explain why the *resistivity* rather than the *resistance* of a material is given in tables of properties of materials.

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 [1]

- (c)

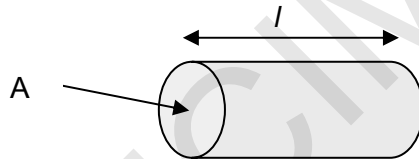


Fig. 1.1

Fig. 1.1. shows a copper rod of length $l = 0.080\text{m}$, having a cross-sectional area $A = 3.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{m}^2$.

The resistivity of copper is $1.7 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \text{m}$.

- (i) Calculate the resistance between the ends of the copper rod.

resistance = Ω [2]

- (ii) The copper rod is used to transmit large currents. A charge of 650 C passes along the rod every 5.0 s. Calculate

1. the current in the rod

current =A [2]

2. the total number of electrons passing any point in the rod per second.

number = [2]

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- 2 (a) (i) Use energy considerations to distinguish between potential difference (p.d.) and electromotive force (e.m.f.).

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 [2]

- (ii) Here is a list of possible units for e.m.f. or p.d.

$$\text{J s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{J A}^{-1}$$

$$\text{J C}^{-1}$$

State which one is a correct unit: [1]

- (b) Kirchhoff's second law is based on the conservation of a quantity. State the law and the quantity that is conserved.

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 [2]

- (c) A battery is being tested. Fig. 2.1 shows the battery connected to a variable resistor R and two meters.

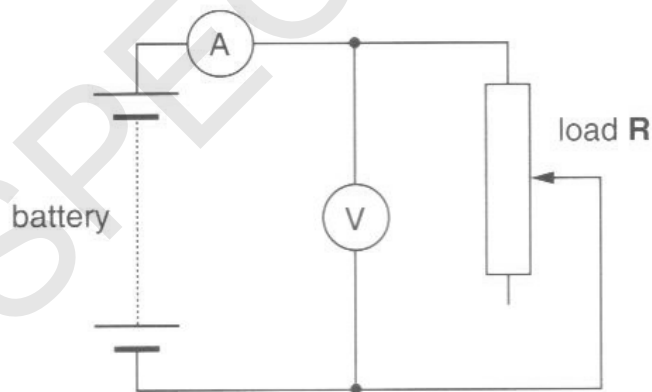


Fig. 2.1

The graph of Fig.2.2 shows the variation of the p.d. V across the battery with the current I as R is varied.

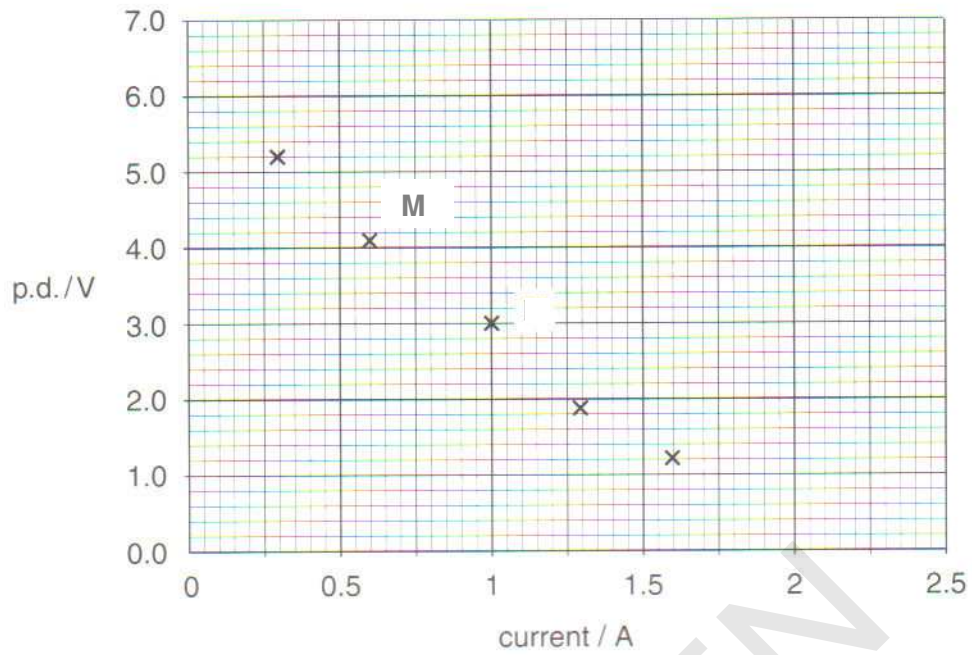


Fig. 2.2

(i) Draw the line of best fit on Fig. 2.2. [1]

(ii) Use your line of best fit to determine the e.m.f. \mathcal{E} of the battery

$$\mathcal{E} = \dots\dots\dots \text{V} [1]$$

the internal resistance r of the battery. Show your working clearly.

$$r = \dots\dots\dots \Omega [3]$$

(d) The variable resistor R is adjusted to give the values at point M on Fig. 2.2.

Calculate

(i) the resistance of R at this point

$$R = \dots\dots\dots \Omega [3]$$

(ii) the power dissipated in R .

$$\text{power} = \dots\dots\dots \text{W} [2]$$

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3 Fig. 3.1 shows how the resistance of a thermistor varies with temperature.

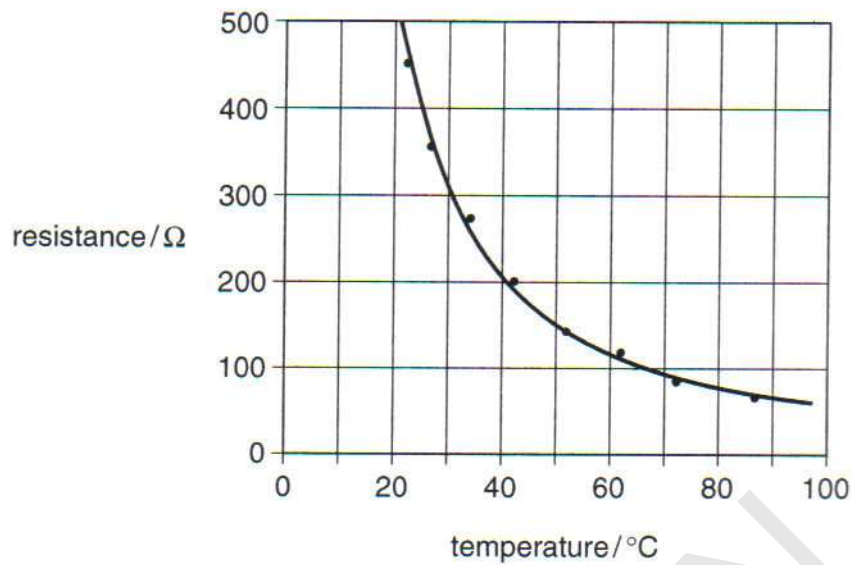


Fig. 3.1

- 3 (a) (i) Describe qualitatively how the resistance of the thermistor changes as the temperature rises.
 [1]
- (ii) The change in resistance between 80 °C and 90 °C is about 15 Ω.
 State the change in resistance between 30 °C and 40 °C.
 [1]
- (iii) Describe, giving a reason, how the sensitivity of temperature measurement using this circuit changes over the range of temperatures shown on Fig. 3.1.

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- (b) Fig 3.2 shows a temperature sensing potential divider circuit where this thermistor may be connected, between terminals A and B, in series with a resistor.

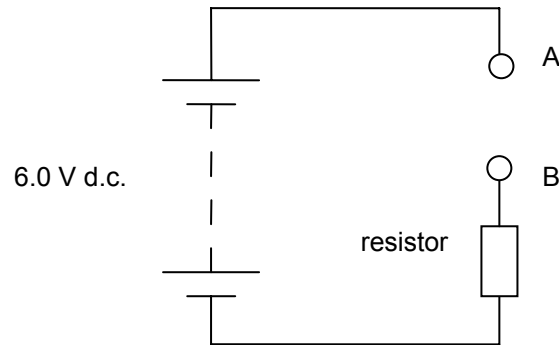


Fig. 3.2

- (i) Draw the circuit symbol for a thermistor on Fig. 3.2 in the space between terminals **A** and **B**. [1]
- (ii) A voltmeter is to be connected to the circuit to indicate an increasing p.d. when the thermistor detects an increasing temperature. On Fig. 3.2, draw the circuit connections for a voltmeter to measure a p.d. that rises with increasing temperature. [1]
- (iii) The value of the resistor in Fig. 3.2 is $200\ \Omega$. The thermistor is at $65\ ^\circ\text{C}$. Use data from Fig. 3.1 to show that the current in the circuit is about $0.02\ \text{A}$. [3]
- (iv) Calculate the p.d. across the $200\ \Omega$ resistor at $65\ ^\circ\text{C}$.

p.d. across resistor =V [1]

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- (c) The graphs **X**, **Y** and **Z** in Fig 3.3. show how the p.d. across the resistor varies with temperature, for three different values of the resistor.

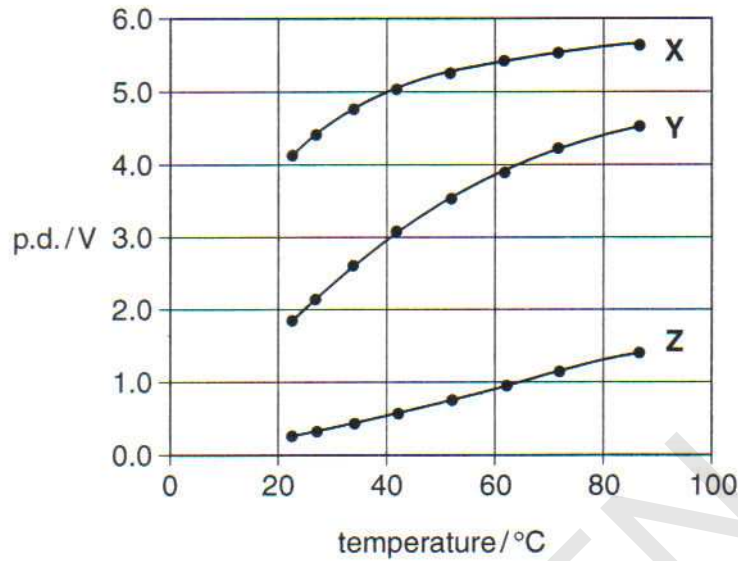


Fig. 3.3

- (i) The values of resistance used are $20\ \Omega$, $200\ \Omega$ and $1000\ \Omega$. State, explaining your reasoning clearly, which graph, **X**, **Y** or **Z**, is the curve for the $1000\ \Omega$ resistor.

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 [2]

- (ii) State **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of using output **Z** for the temperature sensing circuit.

advantage

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disadvantage

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4 (a) Fig.4.1 shows the electromagnetic spectrum.

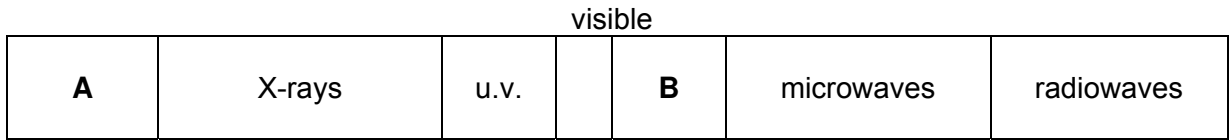


Fig. 4.1

In the spaces in Fig. 4.2, identify the principal radiations **A** and **B** and for each suggest a typical value for the wavelength.

	principal radiation	λ/m
A		
B		

[4]

Fig. 4.2

(b) State **two** features common to all types of radiation in the electromagnetic spectrum.

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(c) (i) Define the term *plane-polarisation* of visible light waves.

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(ii) Explain why sound waves cannot be *plane-polarised*.

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- (d) Fig. 4.3 shows a student observing a parallel beam of plane-polarised light that has passed through a polarising filter.

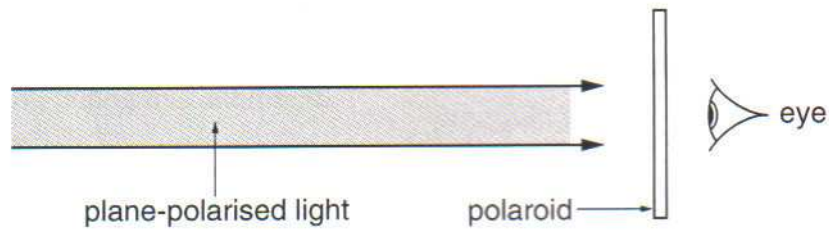


Fig. 4.3

- (i) Fig. 4.4. shows how the intensity of the light reaching the student varies as the polarising filter is rotated through 360° in its own plane.

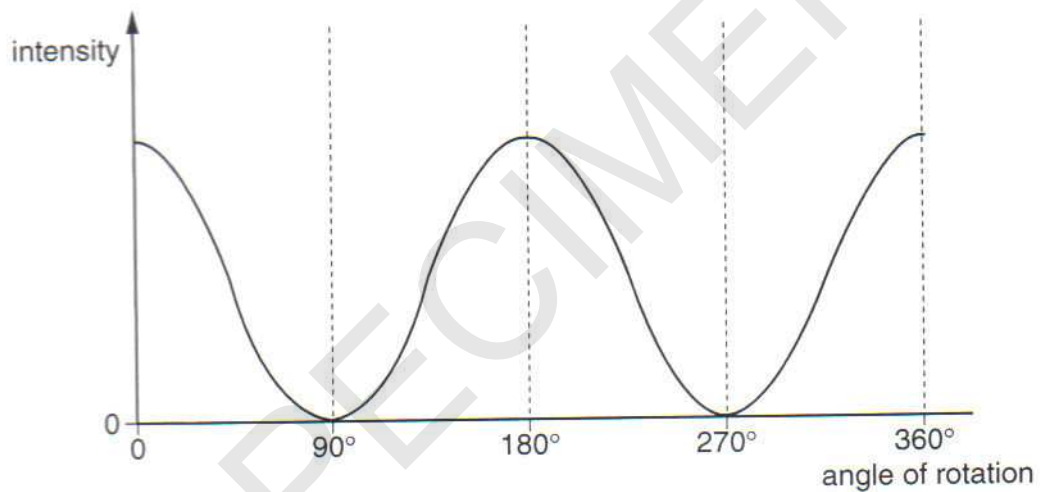


Fig. 4.4

Suggest why there is a series of maxima and minima in the intensity.

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(ii) Hence explain how sunglasses using polarising filters reduce glare.

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(e) State an example of plane-polarisation that does **not** involve visible light and state how the polarised wave may be detected.

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(iv) The following results were obtained in the experiment.


frequency of sound = 500Hz $l_1 = 0.170 \text{ m}$ $l_2 = 0.506 \text{ m}$

Calculate the speed of sound in the pipe.

speed =m s⁻¹ [3]

(c) The student repeats the experiment, but sets the frequency of the sound from the speaker at 5000 Hz.

Suggest and explain why these results are likely to give a far less accurate value for the speed of sound than those obtained in the first experiment.

 In your answer, you should make clear the sequence of steps in your argument.

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- 6 (a) Explain what is meant by the principle of superposition of two waves.

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- (b) In an experiment to try to produce an observable interference pattern, two monochromatic light sources, S_1 and S_2 , are placed in front of a screen, as shown in Fig. 6.1.

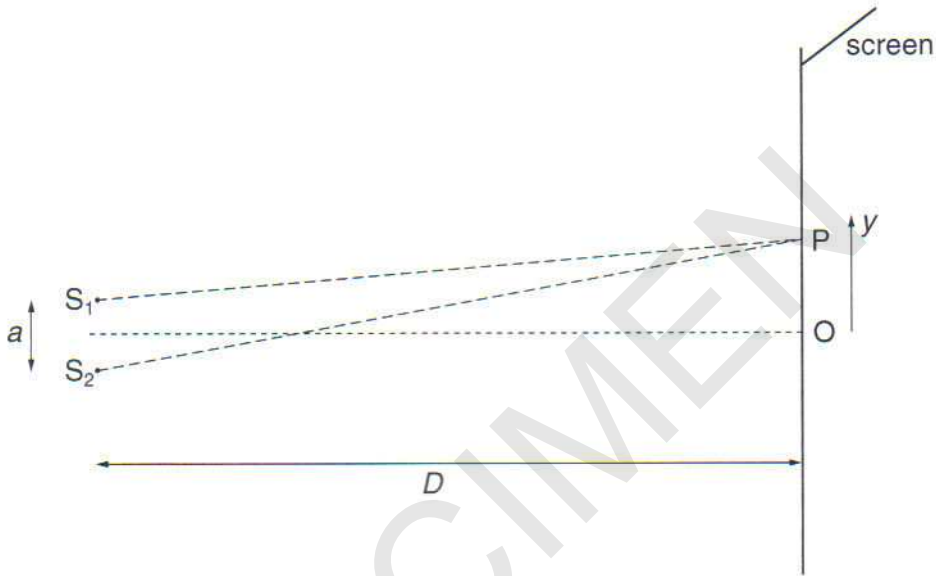


Fig. 6.1

- (i) In order to produce a clear interference pattern on the screen, the light sources must be *coherent*. State what is meant by *coherent*.

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- (ii) In Fig 6.1, the central point O is a point of maximum intensity. Point P is the position of **minimum** intensity nearest to O. State, in terms of the wavelength λ , the magnitude of the path difference S_1P and S_2P .

..... [1]

(c) In another experiment, a beam of laser light of wavelength 6.4×10^{-7} m is incident on a double slit which acts as the two sources in Fig. 6.1.

- (i) Calculate the slit separation a , given that the distance D to the screen is 1.5 m and the distance between P and O is 4.0 mm.

$a = \dots\dots\dots$ m [3]

- (ii) Sketch on the axes of Fig. 6.2 the variation of the intensity of the light on the screen with distance y from O. [2]

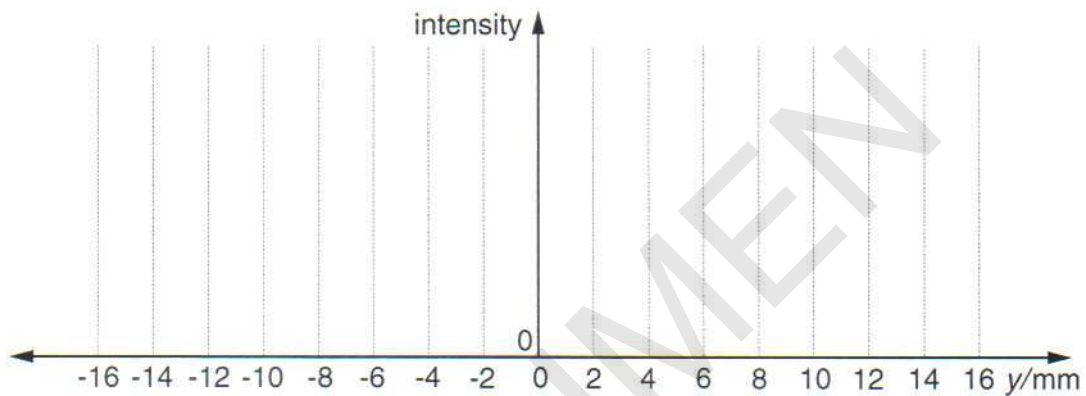


Fig. 6.2

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7 (a) The concept of the photon was important in the development of physics throughout the last century. Explain what is meant by a photon.

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 [1]

(b) A laser emits a short pulse of ultraviolet radiation. The energy of each photon in the beam is 5.60×10^{-19} J.

(i) Calculate the frequency of an ultraviolet photon of the laser light.

frequency = Hz [2]

(ii) A photon of the laser light strikes the clean surface of a sheet of metal. This causes an electron to be emitted from the metal surface.

1. The work function energy of the metal is 4.80×10^{-19} J. Define the term *work* function energy.

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 [1]

2. Show that the maximum kinetic energy of the emitted electron is 8.0×10^{-20} J.

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 [1]

(iii) Show that the maximum speed of emission of an electron is about 4×10^5 m s⁻¹.

[2]

(c) (i) State the de Broglie equation. Define any symbols used.

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 [2]

(ii) Calculate the minimum de Broglie wavelength associated with an electron emitted in (b) above.

wavelength = m [2]

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