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Unit 5: Physics from Creation to Collapse

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- Answer **all** questions.
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Information

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
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- The list of data, formulae and relationships is printed at the end of this booklet.
- Candidates may use a scientific calculator.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
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- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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SECTION A

Answer ALL questions.

For questions 1–10, in Section A, select one answer from A to D and put a cross in the box ☒. If you change your mind, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

1 A mass is bouncing on the end of a vertical spring. Its motion will be simple harmonic if the spring

☒ **A** can store energy.

☒ **B** has elasticity.

☒ **C** is hung vertically.

☒ **D** obeys Hooke's law.

(Total for Question 1 = 1 mark)

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2 When energy is supplied to a substance, changes in the average molecular kinetic energy (E_k) and the average molecular potential energy (E_p) can occur.

When energy is supplied to an ideal gas

☒ **A** both E_k and E_p increase.

☒ **B** E_k may increase.

☒ **C** E_p may increase.

☒ **D** E_k increases but E_p decreases.

(Total for Question 2 = 1 mark)

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3 The force between two masses and the force between two charges can be modelled in a similar way, using gravitational and electric fields. A difference between these models is that

☒ **A** an electric field is always a radial field.

☒ **B** an electric field is always the stronger field.

☒ **C** a gravitational field cannot be shielded.

☒ **D** a gravitational field extends over an infinite range.

(Total for Question 3 = 1 mark)

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4 α-Centauri is one of the nearest stars to our Sun. The surface temperatures of these two stars are about the same. α-Centauri has a 20% greater diameter than the Sun.

The ratio of the luminosity of α-Centauri to the luminosity of the Sun is about

- ☒ **A** 1.2
- ☒ **B** 1.4
- ☒ **C** 1.7
- ☒ **D** 2.1

(Total for Question 4 = 1 mark)

5 Scientists cannot be sure what their current models predict for the ultimate fate of the universe because

- ☒ **A** of the matter-antimatter asymmetry.
- ☒ **B** the average density of the universe is uncertain.
- ☒ **C** the Big Bang is just a theory.
- ☒ **D** the nature of dark matter is unknown.

(Total for Question 5 = 1 mark)

6 When measuring the count rate from a radioactive source it is usual to also measure the background count rate.

The background count rate must be

- ☒ **A** as large as possible for an accurate experiment.
- ☒ **B** measured when the source is in place.
- ☒ **C** recorded for the same time as the count rate.
- ☒ **D** subtracted from the count rate measured from the source.

(Total for Question 6 = 1 mark)

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7 Air is a mixture of mostly nitrogen and oxygen molecules. The mass of an oxygen molecule is slightly greater than the mass of a nitrogen molecule.

On average, in a sample of air at a given temperature

☒ **A** the nitrogen and oxygen molecules have the same speed.

☒ **B** the nitrogen molecules are travelling more slowly than the oxygen molecules.

☒ **C** the oxygen molecules are travelling more slowly than the nitrogen molecules.

☒ **D** the molecules have relative speeds that depend upon the amount of each gas present.

(Total for Question 7 = 1 mark)

8 A lamp consists of a filament in a vacuum. Under normal working conditions the filament has a temperature of 1600 K. A similar filament lamp that is gas-filled has a filament temperature of 3200 K.

The ratio of the wavelength at which maximum intensity of radiation is emitted by the vacuum lamp to that for the gas-filled lamp is

☒ **A** 1:2

☒ **B** 1:1

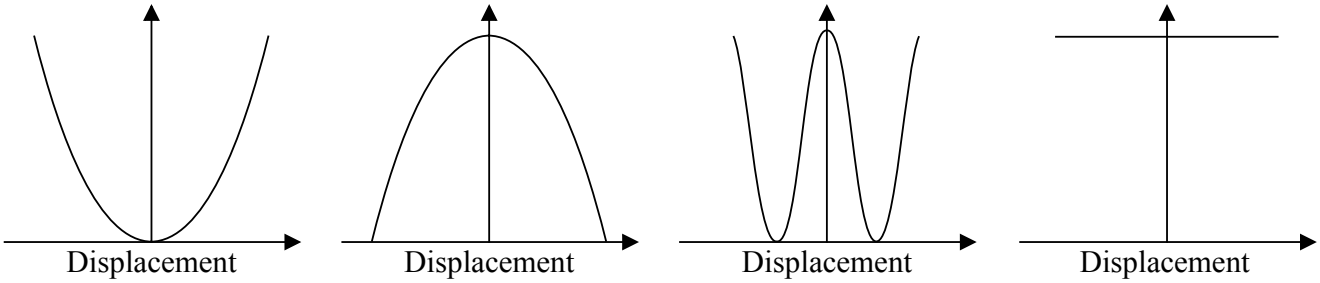
☒ **C** 2:1

☒ **D** 16:1

(Total for Question 8 = 1 mark)

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Questions 9 and 10 refer to the graphs below.



A **B** **C** **D**

9 For an object undergoing simple harmonic motion select the graph that represents the variation of kinetic energy with displacement.

- ☒ **A**
- ☒ **B**
- ☒ **C**
- ☒ **D**

(Total for Question 9 = 1 mark)

10 For an object undergoing simple harmonic motion select the graph that represents the variation of the total energy with displacement.

- ☒ **A**
- ☒ **B**
- ☒ **C**
- ☒ **D**

(Total for Question 10 = 1 mark)

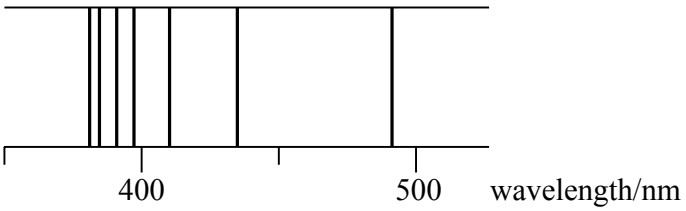
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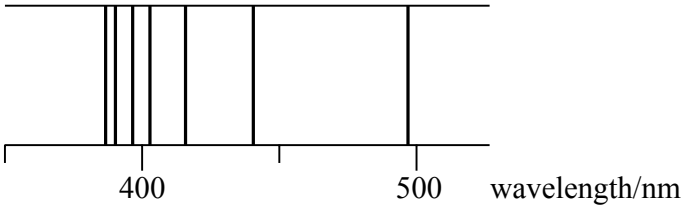
SECTION B

Answer ALL questions in the spaces provided.

11 The diagram shows part of the hydrogen line spectra obtained for radiation emitted from hydrogen in the laboratory and received from hydrogen in a distant galaxy.



Laboratory Spectrum



Distant Galaxy Spectrum

The lines in the distant galaxy spectrum are all shifted in wavelength compared to the lines in the laboratory spectrum.

State why the lines are shifted and what we can conclude about this distant galaxy.

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(Total for Question 11 = 2 marks)

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12 The heating element of an electric shower has a power of 6.0 kW.

(a) The shower is operated from a 230 V mains supply.

Calculate the resistance of the heating element.

(2)

Resistance = ...

(b) Water enters the shower at a temperature of 7.5 °C.

Calculate the water flow rate required to give an output temperature of 37.5 °C.

specific heat capacity of water = 4200 J kg^{-1} K^{-1}

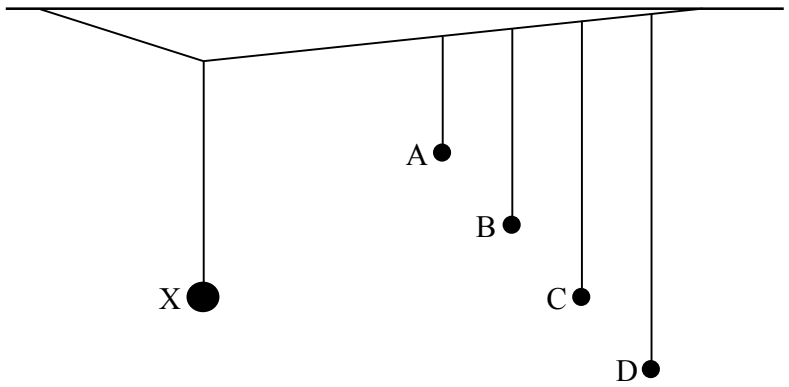
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Flow rate = ...

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13 The diagram shows a number of pendulums hanging from a single thread. Pendulum X has a heavy lead sphere as the bob and the others have low mass bobs. When X is set into motion energy is transferred to the others which all begin to oscillate.



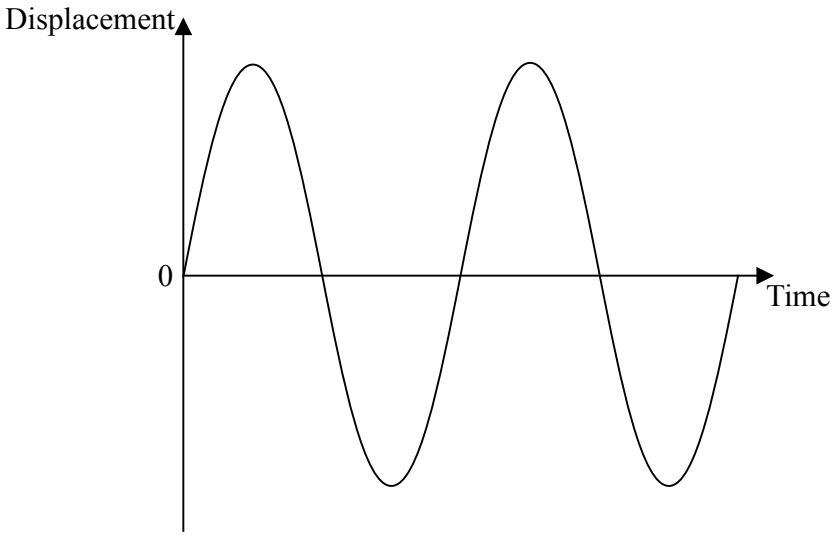
After a short time C is observed to have the largest amplitude of oscillation.

(a) Explain why pendulum C has the largest amplitude of oscillation.

(3)

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(b) For an efficient energy transfer pendulum C must be at rest when pendulum X has its maximum kinetic energy. The graph below shows how the displacement of pendulum X varies with time.



Mark a point P on this graph showing an instant when pendulum X has a maximum kinetic energy, and add a curve to show how the displacement of pendulum C varies over the same time interval.

(2)

(Total for Question 13 = 5 marks)

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***14** Parallax measurements are used to determine the distance to nearby stars, but this method is unsuitable for more distant objects.

Outline how parallax measurements are used to determine the distance to nearby stars and explain how the use of a standard candle enables the distance to more distant objects to be determined.

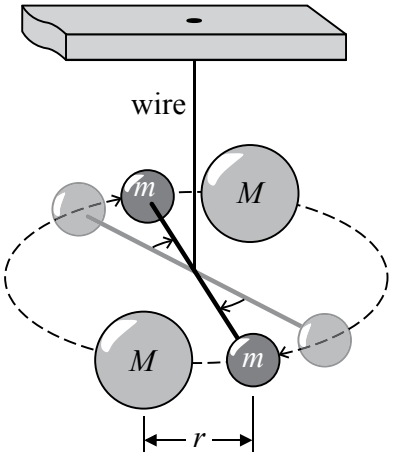
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15 In the 18th century Henry Cavendish devised an experiment to determine the average density of the Earth. This involved the first laboratory determination of the universal gravitational constant G.

A light horizontal rod with a small metal sphere at each end was hung from a fixed point by a very thin wire. Two large lead spheres were then brought close to the small spheres causing the rod to oscillate and then settle into a new position of equilibrium.



(a) In a modern version of the experiment the following data was obtained:

mass of large lead sphere $M = 160$ kg

mass of small sphere $m = 0.75$ kg

distance $r = 0.23$ m

gravitational force between adjacent large and small spheres $F = 1.5 \times 10^{-7}$ N.

Use this data to calculate a value for G.

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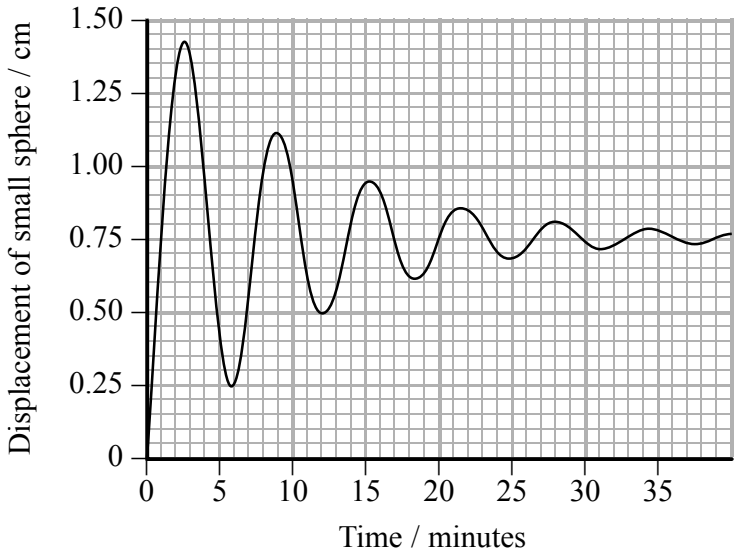
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$G =$ ..... $\text{Nm}^2\ \text{kg}^{-2}$

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(b) The graph shows how the displacement of one of the small spheres varies with time.



(i) Use the graph to determine the period of oscillation of the sphere.

(2)

Period = ...

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(ii) The amplitude of the oscillation decreases with each cycle.

Explain why this effect is observed.

(2)

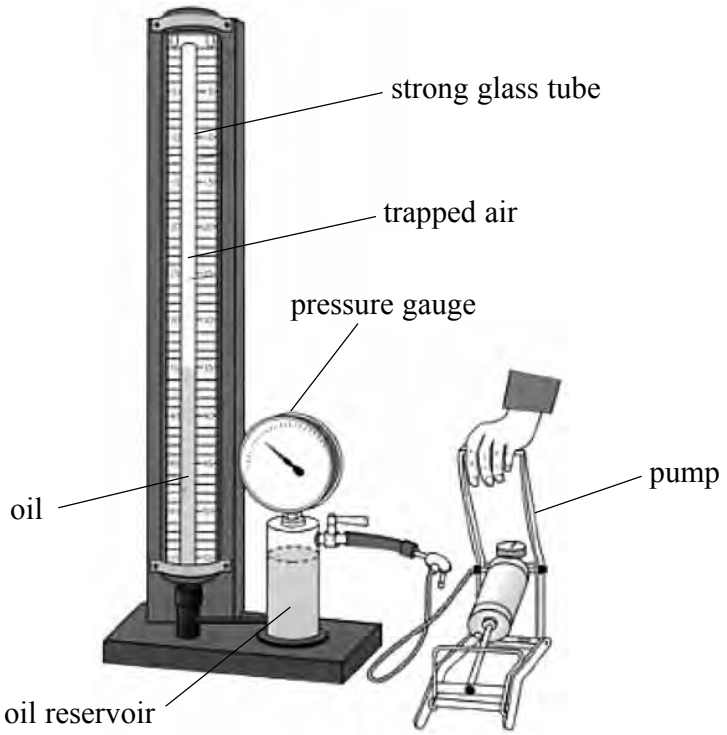
(iii) It is suggested that the decrease in amplitude is exponential. Use the graph to determine if this is approximately true.

(3)

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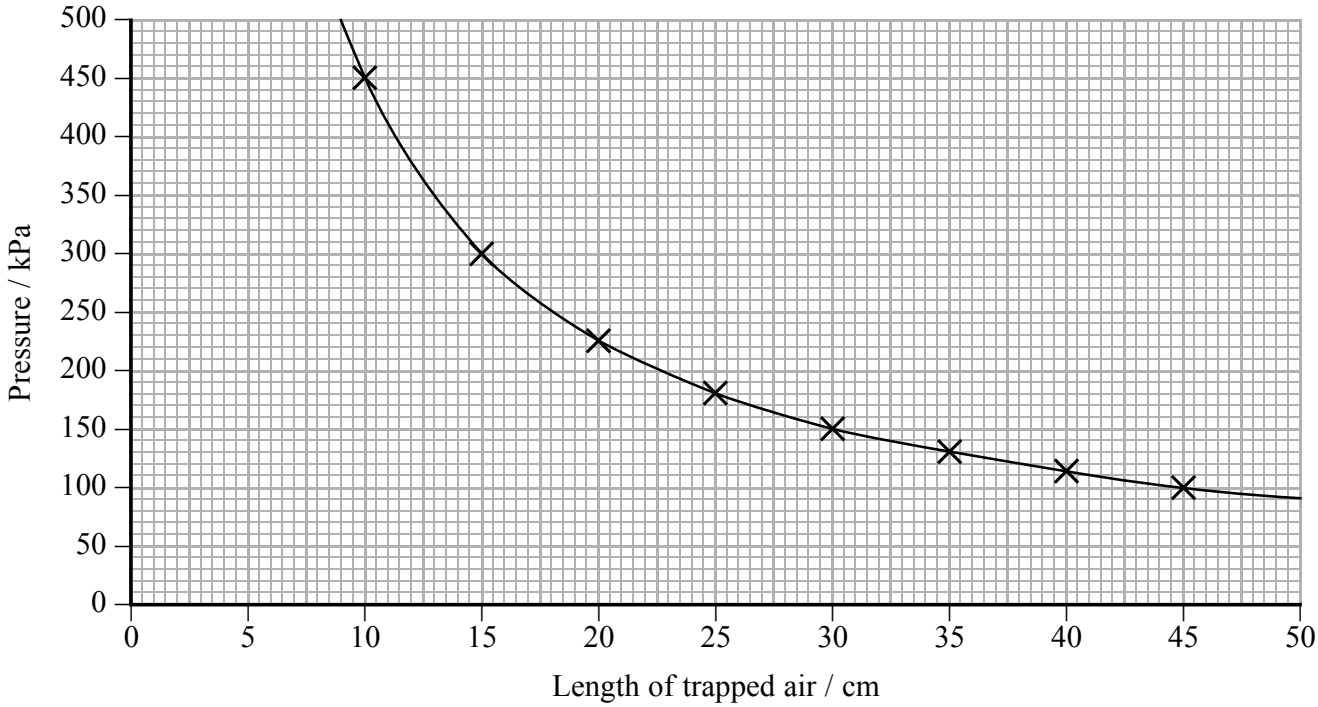
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16 A student uses the apparatus shown to investigate the relationship between pressure and volume of a gas.



Air is trapped in a glass tube of uniform cross-sectional area. As the pressure of the trapped air is increased, the length of trapped air decreases. The student collects data and plots the following graph.

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(a) State the variables that should be controlled in this investigation.

(2)

(b) Theory suggests that, for the air trapped in the tube, the pressure p is inversely proportional to the volume V.

Use the graph to show that this relationship is correct. State an assumption that you are making.

(4)

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(c) On the day that the investigation was carried out, the temperature in the laboratory was 20 °C.

Calculate the number of air molecules trapped in the tube.

cross-sectional area of tube = 7.5×10^{-5} m^2

(3)

Number of air molecules = ...

(d) State how the graph would change if

(i) the air molecules in the tube were replaced by the same number of molecules of hydrogen gas.

(1)

(ii) the temperature of the laboratory was substantially higher.

(2)

(Total for Question 16 = 12 marks)

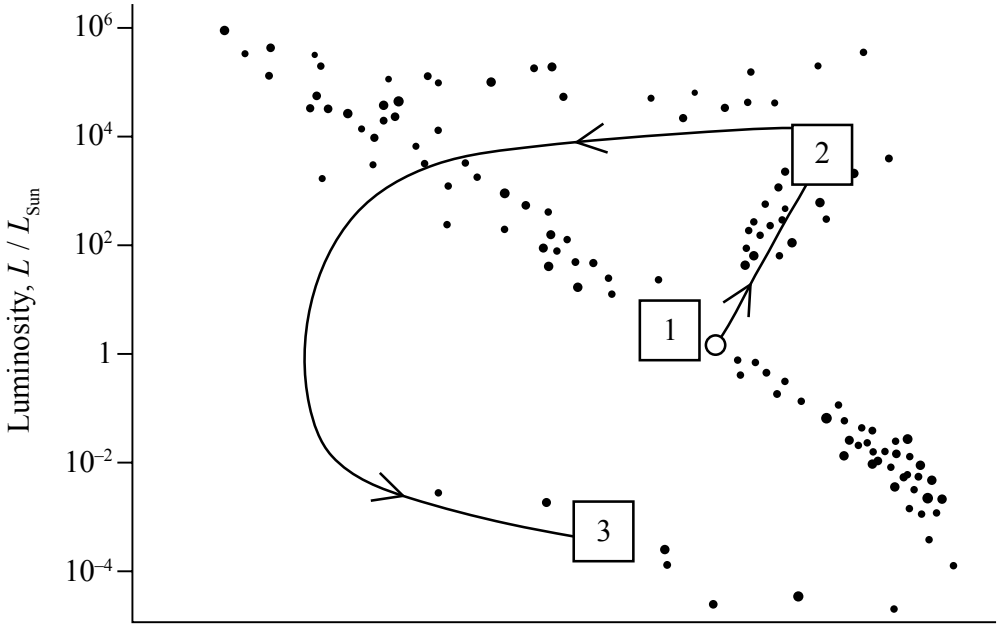
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17 The Sun has a surface temperature of 5800 K and is approximately 4.5 billion years old.

The Hertzsprung-Russell diagram maps the future evolution of the Sun, from its current position in area 1 of the diagram, through to its final position in area 3 of the diagram.



(a) (i) Complete a suitable temperature scale on the x-axis.

(2)

*(ii) Use the diagram to describe the lifecycle of the Sun starting from its present position in area 1 and concluding in area 3.

(6)

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(b) The energy source for the Sun is the fusion of light nuclei to heavy nuclei. In its present stage of evolution hydrogen is being converted into helium in the core of the Sun.

(i) State and explain the conditions necessary for fusion to occur in a star.

(3)

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(ii) In a star the fusion of hydrogen into helium takes place in a number of stages. The final stage is:

$$^{3}_{2}\text{He} + {}^{3}_{2}\text{He} \rightarrow {}^{4}_{2}\text{He} + 2 \times {}^{1}_{1}\text{H}$$

Calculate the energy released in MeV when one nucleus of the normal isotope of helium is produced.

(4)

Isotope	Mass / 10^{-27} kg
^{3}He	5.008238
^{4}He	6.646483
^{1}H	1.673534

Energy released = ... MeV

(Total for Question 17 = 15 marks)

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18 On 1st November 2006, the former Russian spy Alexander Litvinenko fell ill. Twenty one days later he died from the radiation effects of polonium-210. Experts suggest that as little as 0.89 μg of polonium-210 would be enough to kill, although Mr Litvinenko's death was linked to a much larger dose of the radioactive isotope. Traces of the isotope were later found in washrooms at five locations around London visited by the Russian.

Polonium-210 has a half life of 138 days.

(a) (i) In a 0.89 μg sample of polonium-210 there are 2.54×10^{15} atoms of polonium. Show that the decay constant for polonium-210 is about 6×10^{-8} s^{-1}, and hence calculate the activity of a sample of this size.

(4)

Activity = ...

(ii) Calculate the fraction of polonium-210 nuclei that have decayed after a time of 21 days.

(3)

Fraction decayed = ...

(b) Polonium-210 emits alpha particles. Explain why polonium-210 is virtually harmless unless it is taken into the body.

(2)

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(c) (i) Complete the equation below for the decay of polonium.

(2)

$$^{210}_{84}\text{Po} \rightarrow \text{.....Pb} + \text{.....}\alpha$$

(ii) State why the Pb nuclei would recoil from the alpha particles emitted during the decay.

(1)

(d) Radioactive decay is said to occur spontaneously and randomly. Explain what is meant by spontaneous and random in this context.

(2)

Spontaneous .....

Random .....

(e) Suggest why traces of the isotope were found in locations visited by the Russian.

(2)

(Total for Question 18 = 16 marks)

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List of data, formulae and relationships

Acceleration of free fall	$g = 9.81\ \text{m s}^{-2}$	(close to Earth's surface)
Boltzmann constant	$k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23}\ \text{J K}^{-1}$	
Coulomb's law constant	$k = 1/4\pi\varepsilon_0$ $= 8.99 \times 10^9\ \text{N m}^2\ \text{C}^{-2}$	
Electron charge	$e = -1.60 \times 10^{-19}\ \text{C}$	
Electron mass	$m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31}\ \text{kg}$	
Electronvolt	$1\ \text{eV} = 1.60 \times 10^{-19}\ \text{J}$	
Gravitational constant	$G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11}\ \text{N m}^2\ \text{kg}^{-2}$	
Gravitational field strength	$g = 9.81\ \text{N kg}^{-1}$	(close to Earth's surface)
Permittivity of free space	$\varepsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12}\ \text{F m}^{-1}$	
Planck constant	$h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34}\ \text{J s}$	
Proton mass	$m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27}\ \text{kg}$	
Speed of light in a vacuum	$c = 3.00 \times 10^8\ \text{m s}^{-1}$	
Stefan-Boltzmann constant	$\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8}\ \text{W m}^{-2}\ \text{K}^{-4}$	
Unified atomic mass unit	$u = 1.66 \times 10^{-27}\ \text{kg}$	

Unit 1

Mechanics

Kinematic equations of motion	$v = u + at$ $s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$ $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$
Forces	$\Sigma F = ma$ $g = F/m$ $W = mg$
Work and energy	$\Delta W = F\Delta s$ $E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ $\Delta E_{grav} = mg\Delta h$

Materials

Stokes' law	$F = 6\pi\eta rv$
Hooke's law	$F = k\Delta x$
Density	$\rho = m/V$
Pressure	$p = F/A$
Young modulus	$E = \sigma/\varepsilon$ where Stress $\sigma = F/A$ Strain $\varepsilon = \Delta x/x$
Elastic strain energy	$E_{el} = \frac{1}{2}F\Delta x$

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Unit 2

Waves

Wave speed	$v = f\lambda$
Refractive index	${}_1\mu_2 = \sin i / \sin r = v_1 / v_2$

Electricity

Potential difference	$V = W/Q$
Resistance	$R = V/I$
Electrical power, energy and efficiency	$P = VI$ $P = I^2R$ $P = V^2/R$ $W = VIt$ $\%\ \text{efficiency} = \frac{\text{useful energy output}}{\text{total energy input}} \times 100$ $\%\ \text{efficiency} = \frac{\text{useful power output}}{\text{total power input}} \times 100$
Resistivity	$R = \rho l / A$
Current	$I = \Delta Q / \Delta t$ $I = nqvA$
Resistors in series	$R = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$
Resistors in parallel	$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$

Quantum physics

Photon model	$E = hf$
Einstein's photoelectric equation	$hf = \phi + \frac{1}{2}mv^2_{max}$

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Unit 4

Mechanics

Momentum	$p = mv$
Kinetic energy of a non-relativistic particle	$E_k = p^2/2m$
Motion in a circle	$v = \omega r$ $T = 2\pi/\omega$ $F = ma = mv^2/r$ $a = v^2/r$ $a = r\omega^2$

Fields

Coulomb's law	$F = kQ_1Q_2/r^2$ where $k = 1/4\pi\varepsilon_0$
Electric field	$E = F/Q$ $E = kQ/r^2$ $E = V/d$
Capacitance	$C = Q/V$
Energy stored in capacitor	$W = \frac{1}{2}QV$
Capacitor discharge	$Q = Q_0e^{-t/RC}$
In a magnetic field	$F = BIl \sin\theta$ $F = Bqv \sin\theta$ $r = p/BQ$
Faraday's and Lenz's Laws	$\varepsilon = -d(N\phi)/dt$

Particle physics

Mass-energy	$\Delta E = c^2 \Delta m$
de Broglie wavelength	$\lambda = h/p$

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Unit 5

Energy and matter

Heating	$\Delta E = mc\Delta\theta$
Molecular kinetic theory	$\frac{1}{2}m\langle c^2\rangle = \frac{3}{2}kT$
Ideal gas equation	$pV = NkT$

Nuclear Physics

Radioactive decay	$\mathrm{d}N/\mathrm{d}t = -\lambda N$
	$\lambda = \ln 2/t_{\frac{1}{2}}$
	$N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$

Mechanics

Simple harmonic motion	$a = -\omega^2 x$ $a = -A\omega^2 \cos \omega t$ $v = -A\omega \sin \omega t$ $x = A \cos \omega t$ $T = 1/f = 2\pi/\omega$
Gravitational force	$F = Gm_1m_2/r^2$

Observing the universe

Radiant energy flux	$F = L/4\pi d^2$
Stefan-Boltzmann law	$L = \sigma T^4 A$ $L = 4\pi r^2 \sigma T^4$
Wien's Law	$\lambda_{max} T = 2.898 \times 10^{-3}$ m K
Redshift of electromagnetic radiation	$z = \Delta\lambda/\lambda \approx \Delta f/f \approx v/c$
Cosmological expansion	$v = H_0 d$

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