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Revision Paper B (H)

Combined Sciences PHYSICS PAPER 1

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This paper could contain content on the following topics:

T1 Key Concepts of Physics 	T2 Motion and Forces 	T3 Conservation of Energy 
T4 Waves 	T5 Light and the EM Spectrum 	T6 Radioactivity 

Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Some questions must be answered with a cross in a box ☐. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☐.

1 (a) Which colour of visible light has the longest wavelength?

(1)

- ☐ A blue
☒ B green
☐ C red
☒ D yellow

(b) Some television remote controls use infrared radiation and other remote controls use radio waves.

Explain why an infrared remote control may not switch on the television from behind an armchair but a radio wave remote control always will.

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(c) Figure 1 is a diagram of a water wave.

A cork is floating on the water.

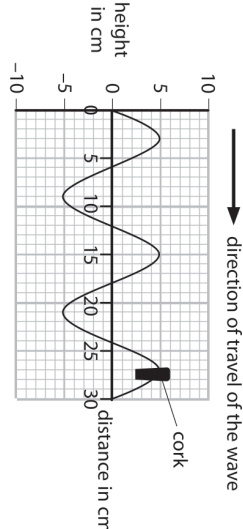


Figure 1

(i) Use the scale on the diagram to measure the wavelength of the wave.

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wavelength = cm

(ii) Describe the motion of the cork.

You should include how the cork moves relative to the direction of travel of the wave.

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(d) A different water wave has a wavelength of 0.25 m and a frequency of 1.5 Hz.

Calculate the wave speed.

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wave speed = m/s

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2 (a) Carbon-13 and carbon-14 are isotopes of carbon.

Nuclei of carbon-13 and carbon-14 can be represented by these symbols



Complete the table for an atom of carbon-13 and an atom of carbon-14.

(2)

	number of neutrons in the nucleus	number of electrons in orbit around the nucleus
carbon-13		
carbon-14		

(b) (i) State the name of an instrument that can be used to measure radioactivity.

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(ii) State **two** sources of background radiation.

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(c) Carbon-14 is radioactive and has a half-life of 5 700 years.

The number of radioactive carbon-14 atoms in a very old piece of wood is found to have decreased from 1 000 000 to 125 000.

Determine the age of the piece of wood.

(2)

age of wood = years

(d) Carbon-14 decays into nitrogen-14.

The symbol for nitrogen-14 is $^{14}_7\text{N}$

Explain what happens in a carbon-14 nucleus when it decays to a nitrogen-14 nucleus.

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3 Figure 2 shows a way of projecting a small trolley up a sloping track.

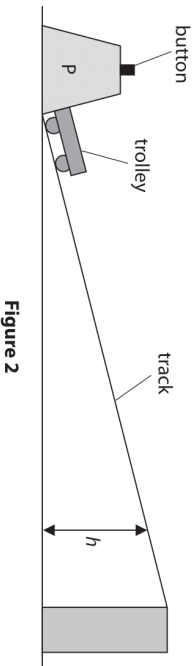


Figure 2

When the button is pressed, a spring is released in P that projects the trolley up the track. The trolley travels up the track, stops and then rolls back down.

The spring in P always exerts the same force when projecting the trolley.

- (a) A student investigates how the mass of the trolley affects the maximum vertical height, h , reached by the trolley.

State the measurements the student should make to complete the investigation.

You should make use of the equipment shown in Figure 2 and any other equipment that is needed.

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(b) Figure 3 is a graph of the student's results.

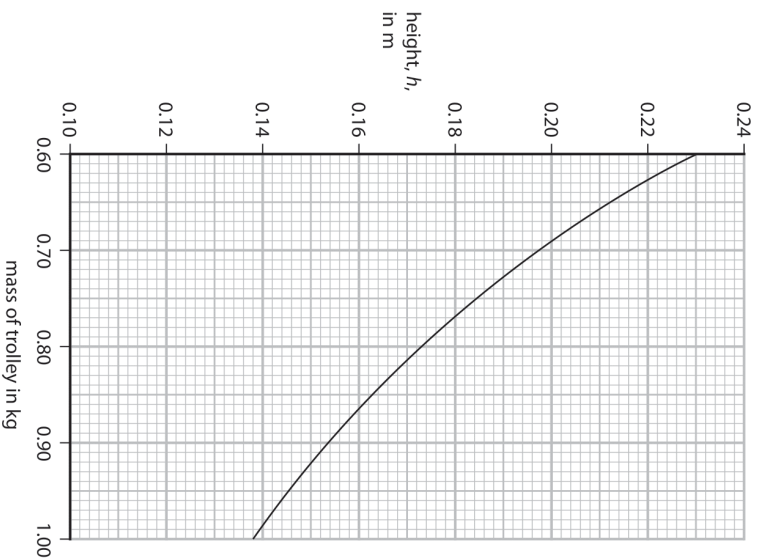


Figure 3

The student states that the energy transferred by the spring is the same each time it is used.

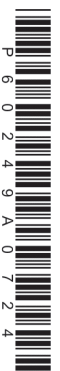
Use data from any two points on the graph in Figure 3 to support this statement.

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(c) Describe how the student could extend the investigation to determine the average speed of the trolley as it rolls back down the track.

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(Total for Question 3 = 10 marks)

4 (a) The diagram in Figure 4 shows two students, P and Q, trying to measure the speed of sound in air.



Figure 4

P will clap his hands together.

When Q sees P clap his hands, she will start a timer.

When Q hears the clap, she will stop the timer.

Explain **one** way the students could improve their method.

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(b) Figure 5 shows a long metal rod and a hammer. The rod is hit at one end by the hammer. This causes a sound wave to travel along the inside of the metal rod.

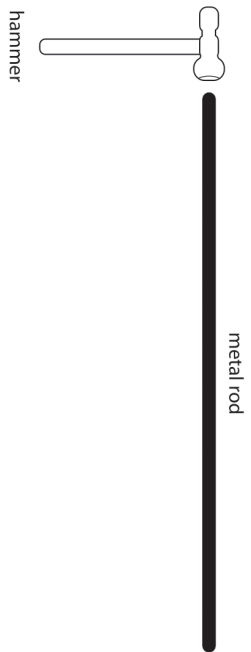


Figure 5

Describe how hitting the rod causes a sound wave to travel along the inside of the rod.

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(c) Sound travels slower in air than it does in water. Figure 6 shows the direction of travel of a sound wave approaching a boundary between air and water.

The sound wave refracts at the boundary between air and water.

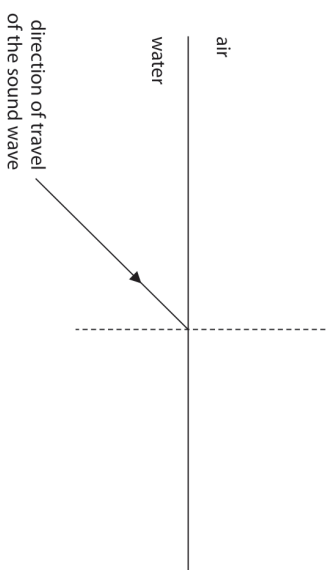
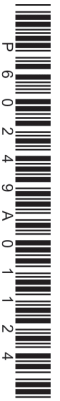


Figure 6

Complete the diagram in Figure 6 to show the direction the sound wave travels in the air.

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(d) Sound travels slower in cold air than it does in warm air.

The equation relating the speed of sound in air to the density of the air is

$$\text{speed of sound} = \frac{K}{\sqrt{(\text{density})}} \quad \text{where } K \text{ is a constant.}$$

The table in Figure 7 gives some data about the speed of sound in air and the density of air.

	speed of sound in m/s	density of air in kg / m ³
in cold air	331	1.29
in warm air		1.16

Figure 7

Use the equation and the data in the table in Figure 7 to calculate the speed of sound in warm air.

Give your answer to an appropriate number of significant figures.

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speed of sound in warm air = m/s

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5 (a) The force that keeps an object moving in a circular path is known as the

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- ☐ A balancing force
- ☐ B centripetal force
- ☐ C reaction force
- ☐ D resistance force

(b) Figure 8 shows an object moving in a circular path.

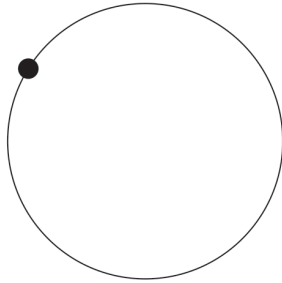


Figure 8

(i) Draw an arrow on Figure 8 to show the direction of the force that keeps the object moving in a circular path.

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(ii) The object in Figure 8 is moving at constant speed.

Explain why it is not moving with constant velocity.

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(c) Figure 9 shows a skier on a slope.

The skier travels down the slope with a constant acceleration.

The speed of the skier is measured at points P and Q.

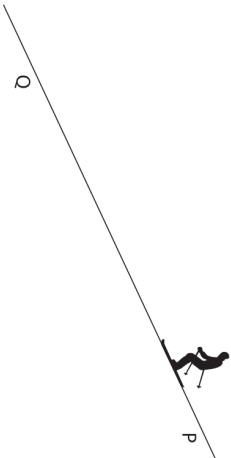


Figure 9

The table in Figure 10 gives some data about the skier making one downhill run.

acceleration	3.0 m/s ²
speed at P	7.6 m/s
speed at Q	24 m/s

Figure 10

(i) Calculate the distance from P to Q.

Use an equation selected from the list of equations at the end of this paper.

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distance from P to Q = m

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(ii) Calculate the time taken for the skier to travel from P to Q.

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time from P to Q = s

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6 (a) Some sunglasses have photochromic lenses.

Photochromic lenses are clear when the lenses are indoors but they darken in bright sunlight to reduce the effects of the sunlight.

Photochromic lenses react to ultraviolet light.

Suggest a benefit of making the lenses go dark with ultraviolet light.

(1)

(b) Radio waves from Jupiter take 40 minutes to reach Earth.

Light waves from the Sun take 8 minutes to reach Earth.

Calculate how many times further it is from Earth to Jupiter than from Earth to the Sun.

State the property of electromagnetic radiation that is used in your answer.

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(c) Ultraviolet waves cover a range of frequencies.

Scientists divide this range into three types, UVA, UVB and UVC.

The table in Figure 11 shows the frequency range for each type.

type	frequency range in Hz
UVA	7.5×10^{14} to 9.4×10^{14}
UVB	9.4×10^{14} to 10×10^{14}
UVC	10×10^{14} to 30×10^{14}

Figure 11

Figure 12 is a diagram about the effect that the Earth's atmosphere has on three types of ultraviolet radiation.

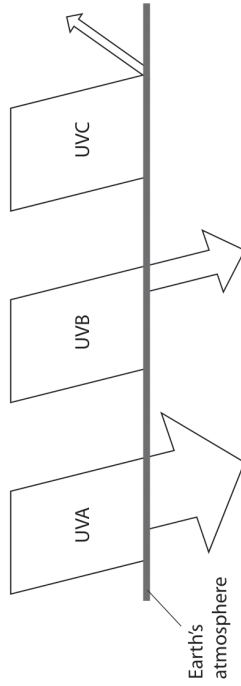


Figure 12

Describe how the effects change with **wavelength**, using information from Figure 11 and Figure 12.

The width of the arrows drawn indicates the amount of radiation that is involved.

Calculations are **not** required.

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*(d) Radio waves and gamma radiation are at opposite ends of the electromagnetic spectrum.

Compare how these two electromagnetic radiations are produced.

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If you're taking **GCSE (9–1) Combined Science** or **GCSE (9–1) Physics**, you will need these equations:

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distance travelled = average speed × time	
acceleration = change in velocity ÷ time taken	$a = \frac{(v - u)}{t}$
force = mass × acceleration	$F = m \times a$
weight = mass × gravitational field strength	$W = m \times g$
HT momentum = mass × velocity	$p = m \times v$
change in gravitational potential energy = mass × gravitational field strength × change in vertical height	$\Delta GPE = m \times g \times \Delta h$
kinetic energy = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{mass} \times (\text{speed})^2$	$KE = \frac{1}{2} \times m \times v^2$
efficiency = $\frac{(\text{useful energy transferred by the device})}{(\text{total energy supplied to the device})}$	
wave speed = frequency × wavelength	$v = f \times \lambda$
wave speed = distance ÷ time	$v = \frac{x}{t}$
work done = force × distance moved in the direction of the force	$E = F \times d$
power = work done ÷ time taken	$P = \frac{E}{t}$
energy transferred = charge moved × potential difference	$E = Q \times V$
charge = current × time	$Q = I \times t$
potential difference = current × resistance	$V = I \times R$
power = energy transferred ÷ time taken	$P = \frac{E}{t}$
electrical power = current × potential difference	$P = I \times V$
electrical power = (current) ² × resistance	$P = I^2 \times R$
density = mass ÷ volume	$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$



force exerted on a spring = spring constant × extension	$F = k \times x$
(final velocity) ² – (initial velocity) ² = 2 × acceleration × distance	$v^2 - u^2 = 2 \times a \times x$
HT force = change in momentum ÷ time	$F = \frac{(mv - mu)}{t}$
energy transferred = current × potential difference × time	$E = I \times V \times t$
HT force on a conductor at right angles to a magnetic field carrying a current = magnetic flux density × current × length	$F = B \times I \times l$
For transformers with 100% efficiency, potential difference primary coil × current in primary coil = potential difference across secondary coil × current in secondary coil	$V_p \times I_p = V_s \times I_s$
change in thermal energy = mass × specific heat capacity × change in temperature	$\Delta Q = m \times c \times \Delta \theta$
thermal energy for a change of state = mass × specific latent heat	$Q = m \times L$
energy transferred in stretching = 0.5 × spring constant × (extension) ²	$E = \frac{1}{2} \times k \times x^2$

If you're taking **GCSE (9–1) Physics**, you also need these extra equations:

moment of a force = force × distance normal to the direction of the force	
pressure = force normal to surface ÷ area of surface	$P = \frac{F}{A}$
HT $\frac{\text{potential difference across primary coil}}{\text{potential difference across secondary coil}} = \frac{\text{number of turns in primary coil}}{\text{number of turns in secondary coil}}$	$\frac{V_p}{V_s} = \frac{N_p}{N_s}$
to calculate pressure or volume for gases of fixed mass at constant temperature	$P_1 \times V_1 = P_2 \times V_2$
HT pressure due to a column of liquid = height of column × density of liquid × gravitational field strength	$P = h \times \rho \times g$

END OF EQUATION LIST

