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# INTERNATIONAL A-LEVEL PHYSICS

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PAPER 2  
Mark scheme

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Question	Marking guidance	Mark	Comments
01.1	<u>cladding</u>	1	
01.2	$\sin \theta_c = 1.41/1.46$ ✓ $\theta_c = 75$ (degrees) (74.96) ✓	1 1	
01.3	65 (degrees)	1	

Question	Marking guidance	Mark	Comments
02.1	$R = \frac{\rho L}{A} \quad \checkmark$ $= \frac{1.7 \times 10^{-8} \times 1.4}{7.8 \times 10^{-7}}$ $= 0.031(\Omega) \quad \checkmark$	1  1	

02.2	Constant volume gives $l_1 A_1 = l_2 A_2$ (Or $l_2 = 2l_1$ $A_2 = A_1/2$ $\checkmark$  $R = \frac{\rho 2l}{A/2} (= 4R) \quad \checkmark$  (or by calculation with $l_2 = 2.8$ m $A_2 = 3.9$ m <sup>2</sup> gives $R = 0.124 \Omega$ )	1  1	
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03	absorbs enough energy (from the incident) electron (by collision) OR incident electron loses energy (to orbital electron) $\checkmark$  exact energy / 10.1(eV) needed to make the transition / move up to level 2 $\checkmark$	1  1	For second mark must imply exact energy

Question	Marking guidance	Mark	Comments
04	Use of $\epsilon = W/Q$ $W = 14.8 \times 15.5 \times 10^3 \quad \checkmark$ $2.29 \times 10^5$ J $\checkmark$	1  1	

Question	Marking guidance	Mark	Comments
05	Spring stiffness constant in figure 2 = $k/2$ ✓	1	
	Use of $T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{m}{k/2}}$  $T = \sqrt{2} \times 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} = 2.1 \text{ s}$ ✓	1	

Question	Marking guidance	Mark	Comments
06	wavelength (= $2 \times \text{PQ} = 2 \times 1.20 \text{ m}$ ) = 2.4 m ✓	1	Answer only gets both marks
	speed (= wavelength $\times$ frequency = $2.4 \times 150$ ) = 360 ( $\text{m s}^{-1}$ ) ✓	1	

Question	Marking guidance	Mark	Comments
07.1	same wavelength / frequency ✓	1	Allow 'constant phase difference' but not 'in phase'
	constant phase relationship ✓	1	
07.2	$(\lambda = \frac{c}{f})$  $3.00 \times 10^8 = 9.4 (10^9) \lambda$ OR $\frac{3.00 \times 10^8}{9.4 \times (10^9)}$ ✓	1	Use of speed of sound gets zero
	$= 3.2 \times 10^{-2} (3.19 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m})$ ✓	1	Allow 0.03
07.3	$3.2 \times 10^{-2}$ ✓(m) ecf from 7.2	1	Don't allow 1 wavelength, $1\lambda$ etc Do not accept zero, $2\pi$ , 360

07.4	maximum (at position shown) ✓ constructive interference / reinforcement ✓ (the waves meet) 'in step' / peak meets peak / trough meets trough / path difference is $(n) \lambda$ / in phase ✓	1 1 1	Allow 'constructive superposition'  ecf for 'minimum' or for reference to wrong maximum
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07.5	$s = \frac{\lambda D}{w}$ $= \frac{0.0319 \times 0.42}{0.11} \checkmark \text{ ecf 7.3}$ $= 0.12 \text{ (0.1218 m)} \checkmark$ Correct answer gains first 2 marks = <b>any 2sf</b> number ✓ <i>Independent mark for any 2 SF number</i>	   1 1  1	Don't allow use of the diagram shown as a scale diagram  Do not penalise s and w symbols wrong way round in working if answer is correct
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07.6	a maximum (no mark) ( $f \times 2$ results in) $\lambda/2$ ✓ path difference is an even number of multiples of the new wavelength ( $2n \lambda_{\text{new}}$ ) ✓	1  1	Students stating 'minimum' can get second mark only.  Allow 'path difference is $n\lambda$ ' / any even number of multiples of the new $\lambda$ quoted eg 'path difference is now $2\lambda$ '
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08.1	$1/R_{\text{total}} = 1/(40) + 1/(10 + 5) \checkmark = 0.09167$	1									
	$R_{\text{total}} = 10.9 \text{ (k}\Omega) \checkmark$	1									
08.2	$I = 12 / 10.9 \text{ k} = 1.1 \text{ (mA)} \checkmark$	1									
08.3	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>position</th> <th>pd/V</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>AC</td> <td>6.0 <math>\checkmark</math></td> </tr> <tr> <td>DF</td> <td>4.0 <math>\checkmark</math></td> </tr> <tr> <td>CD</td> <td>2.0 <math>\checkmark</math></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	position	pd/V	AC	6.0 $\checkmark$	DF	4.0 $\checkmark$	CD	2.0 $\checkmark$	1	
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08.4	AC: no change $\checkmark$	1	No ecf from first mark								
	constant pd across resistors / parallel branches(AE) $\checkmark$	1									
	DF: decreases $\checkmark$ as greater proportion of voltage across fixed / 10 k $\Omega$ resistor $\checkmark$	1	No ecf from first mark								
		1									

Question	Marking guidance	Mark	Comments
09.1	(light travels as photons) energy of a photon depends on frequency ✓ below threshold frequency (photon) does not have enough <b>energy</b> to liberate an electron ✓ <b>or</b> reference to work function eg a photon does not have enough <b>energy</b> (to allow the electron) to overcome the work function	1 1	
09.2	(use of $E = hc/\lambda$ ) $E = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \times 3.00 \times 10^8 / 5.40 \times 10^{-7}$ ✓ $E = 3.68 \times 10^{-19}$ (J) ✓	1 1	
09.3	(use of $hf = E_k + \phi$ ) $3.68 \times 10^{-19} = E_k + 1.40 \times 10^{-19}$ $E_k = 2.28 \times 10^{-19}$ (J) ✓	1	
09.4	(use of $E_k = mv^2/2$ ) $2.28 \times 10^{-19} = 1/2 \times 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \times v^2$ ✓ $v^2 = 2 \times 2.28 \times 10^{-19} / 9.11 \times 10^{-31} = 5.0 \times 10^{11}$ $v = 7.1 \times 10^5$ (m s <sup>-1</sup> ) ✓	1 1	
09.5	(use of $\lambda = h/mv$ ) $\lambda = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} / (9.11 \times 10^{-31} \times 7.1 \times 10^5)$ ✓ $\lambda = 1.03 \times 10^{-9}$ (m) ✓	1 1	
09.6	<u>Increase</u> in number of emitted electrons (per second) Because more photons per second hit the metal	1 1	



Question	Marking guidance	Mark	Comments
10.1	$y$ – <i>intercept</i> 1.52 (V) ( $\pm 0.01$ V) ✓	1	
10.2	identifies gradient as $r$ <b>or</b> use of equation ✓ substitution to find gradient <b>or</b> substitution in equation ✓ $r = 0.45 \pm 0.02 \Omega$ ✓	1 1 1	
10.3	EMF reading lower ✓ Current will flow from the cell through the voltmeter so the voltmeter is reading the terminal pd rather than the emf ✓	1 1	

Question	Marking guidance	Mark	Comments
11.1	Suitable expt eg diffraction through a door/out of a pipe	1	
11.2	Using $c = d/t$ $t = 2\,500/480 = 5.2$ (s) ✓	1	
11.3	(Measured time is difference between time taken by light and time taken by sound) Calculation assumes that light takes no time to reach observer, ie speed is infinite ✓	1	Do not allow “could not know speed of light”
11.4	Sound from gun is a mixture of frequencies. ✓ All the sound reaches observer at the same time ✓	1 1	Alternative for 1 <sup>st</sup> mark ‘(so speed is independent of frequency) the sound of the gun is similar when close and far away
11.5	More accurate, as it is closer to the accepted value ✓	1	
11.6	When $\theta = 0$ °C $c = 331.29$ m s <sup>-1</sup> Therefore $331.29 = k \sqrt{273.15}$ ✓ $k = 20.045$ ( m s <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1/2</sup> ) ✓	1 1	
11.7	The method and value are published ✓ other scientists repeat the experiment using the same method ✓	1 1	

## Section C

In this section, each correct answer is awarded 1 mark.

Question	Key
12	D
13	C
14	C
15	C
16	C
17	D
18	C
19	C
20	D
21	D
22	A
23	D
24	B
25	D