

## GIRRAWEEN HIGH SCHOOL

## 2015

TRIAL
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EXAMINATION

## Physics

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Section II Pages 22-25
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Which of the following images shows what happens to the magnetic flux within the superconductor (shaded) at temperatures below the superconductor's critical temperature?
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## Question 21 Continued

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## Compare the structure and function of a split ring commutator to a slip ring commutator.

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Question 29 (4 marks)
The diagram below depicts a cathode ray tube.

(a) Describe how the electron gun works.(2 marks)
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(b) If the charged plates at $\boldsymbol{y}$ are at a potential difference of 100 V and are separated by 15 mm , determine the force experienced by an electron. ( 2 marks)

Question 30 (2 marks)

The diagram below depicts the trajectory of a charged particle through a magnetic field. Determine the sign of the electric charge on the particle and hence explain the shape of the trajectory.


## Question 31 (5 marks)

Consider the information provided in the following graph.

(a) Identify a recent trend in the development of superconductors. (1 mark)
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(b) Discuss the effect of temperature on the conducting properties of both Type I and Type II superconductors with reference to the BCS theory. (4 marks)
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## Question 32 (4 marks)

When electromagnetic radiation shines on metals, photoelectrons may be emitted. The maximum kinetic energy of emitted photoelectrons is plotted against radiation frequency for four metals as shown in the graph.

(a) Describe how the maximum KE of photoelectrons is detemined experimentally. (2 marks)
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(b) Using data from the graph identify the values of:

- The threshold frequency of iron. (in hertz) (1 mark)
- The work function of calcium. (in Joules) (1 mark)


## Question 33 (5 marks)

The diagrams below show the energy bands in $p$-type and $n$-type semiconductors. The diagrams are not fully labelled.


## Diagram Y


(a) Identify what the label A represents in these diagrams. (1 mark)
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(b) Which diagram, X or Y , best represents the energy levels in a p-type semiconductor? Explain your answer. (2 marks)
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(c) Use diagram Y to explain how an electron in band C can be promoted to band A , and the effect this has on the conductivity of the bulk material. (2 marks)
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## Question 34 (4 marks)

Around the 1860s, many scientists observed the light being emitted by hot objects, such as tungsten filaments in light globes. The graph below indicates the measured radiation emitted.

(a) Why was this a problem to the scientific community of the time, and what was Max Planck's contribution to the solution of this problem? (2 marks)
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(b) Outline Einstein's contribution to Quantum theory. (2 marks)
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Question 35 - Medical Physics (25 marks)
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| Material | Acoustic impedance <br> $\left.\mathbf{( k g ~ m}^{-2} \mathbf{s}^{\mathbf{- 1}} \times \mathbf{1 0}^{\boldsymbol{6}}\right)$ | Density <br> $\mathbf{( k g ~ m}^{\mathbf{3}} \mathbf{)}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fat | 1.38 | $9.25 \times 10^{2}$ |
| Skin | 1.52 | $1.00 \times 10^{3}$ |
| Ultrasound Gel | 1.54 | $1.01 \times 10^{3}$ |
| Air | 0.0004 | 1.3 |

(i) Explain how ultrasounds are produced, and the energy transfer which occurs at production. (3 marks)
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(ii) Describe what occurs to the ultrasound waves which are not detected for imaging.
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(iii) The acoustic impedance and density of a number of different types of material are given in the table above. Use the information to calculate the transmittance ratio between ultrasound gel and skin tissue.(2 marks)
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(c) Technetium 99 m is an artificial isotope which is frequently used to obtain a scan of the human body.

(i) Using the graph, determine the half-life of technetium 99m. ( 1mark)
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(ii) A patient is given an injection containing $6.0 \cdot 10^{18} \mathrm{~kg}$ of technetium 99 m . The scan is taken four hours after the injection.

How much technetium 99m remains un-decayed when the scan is taken? (Give your answer in kilograms.) (2 marks)
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(iii) Describe how the positron emission tomography (PET) technique is used for diagnosis (3 marks)
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(iv) Identify an advantage of PET over other diagnostics techniques for imaging the body (1 mark)
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(i) Describe the sequence of events and associated processes of physics by which an image is produced using magnetic resonance imaging. (4 marks)
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(ii) Explain why MRI scans can be used to detect cancerous tissues in the human body (2 marks)
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## Question 21 Continued

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(b) Determine the magnitude and direction of the force experienced by wire A. (2 marks)

Question 28 (2 marks)

## Compare the structure and function of a split ring commutator to a slip ring commutator.

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Question 29 (4 marks)
The diagram below depicts a cathode ray tube.

(a) Describe how the electron gun works.(2 marks)
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(b) If the charged plates at $\boldsymbol{y}$ are at a potential difference of 100 V and are separated by 15 mm , determine the force experienced by an electron. ( 2 marks)

Question 30 (2 marks)

The diagram below depicts the trajectory of a charged particle through a magnetic field. Determine the sign of the electric charge on the particle and hence explain the shape of the trajectory.


## Question 31 (5 marks)

Consider the information provided in the following graph.

(a) Identify a recent trend in the development of superconductors. (1 mark)
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$\qquad$
(b) Discuss the effect of temperature on the conducting properties of both Type I and Type II superconductors with reference to the BCS theory. (4 marks)
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## Question 32 (4 marks)

When electromagnetic radiation shines on metals, photoelectrons may be emitted. The maximum kinetic energy of emitted photoelectrons is plotted against radiation frequency for four metals as shown in the graph.

(a) Describe how the maximum KE of photoelectrons is detemined experimentally. (2 marks)
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$\qquad$
(b) Using data from the graph identify the values of:

- The threshold frequency of iron. (in hertz) (1 mark)
- The work function of calcium. (in Joules) (1 mark)


## Question 33 (5 marks)

The diagrams below show the energy bands in $p$-type and $n$-type semiconductors. The diagrams are not fully labelled.


## Diagram Y


(a) Identify what the label A represents in these diagrams. (1 mark)
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$\qquad$
(b) Which diagram, X or Y , best represents the energy levels in a p-type semiconductor? Explain your answer. (2 marks)
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(c) Use diagram Y to explain how an electron in band C can be promoted to band A , and the effect this has on the conductivity of the bulk material. (2 marks)
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## Question 34 (4 marks)

Around the 1860s, many scientists observed the light being emitted by hot objects, such as tungsten filaments in light globes. The graph below indicates the measured radiation emitted.

(a) Why was this a problem to the scientific community of the time, and what was Max Planck's contribution to the solution of this problem? (2 marks)
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(b) Outline Einstein's contribution to Quantum theory. (2 marks)
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## Physics

## Section II

## 25 marks <br> Allow about 45 minutes for this section

Answer all questions.
Extra writing booklets are available.
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Show all relevant working in questions involving calculations.

Question 35 - Medical Physics (25 marks)
(a)

| Material | Acoustic impedance <br> $\left.\mathbf{( k g ~ m}^{-2} \mathbf{s}^{\mathbf{- 1}} \times \mathbf{1 0}^{\boldsymbol{6}}\right)$ | Density <br> $\mathbf{( k g ~ m}^{\mathbf{3}} \mathbf{)}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fat | 1.38 | $9.25 \times 10^{2}$ |
| Skin | 1.52 | $1.00 \times 10^{3}$ |
| Ultrasound Gel | 1.54 | $1.01 \times 10^{3}$ |
| Air | 0.0004 | 1.3 |

(i) Explain how ultrasounds are produced, and the energy transfer which occurs at production. (3 marks)
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(ii) Describe what occurs to the ultrasound waves which are not detected for imaging.
(2 marks)
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(iii) The acoustic impedance and density of a number of different types of material are given in the table above. Use the information to calculate the transmittance ratio between ultrasound gel and skin tissue.(2 marks)
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(c) Technetium 99 m is an artificial isotope which is frequently used to obtain a scan of the human body.

(i) Using the graph, determine the half-life of technetium 99m. ( 1mark)
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$\qquad$
(ii) A patient is given an injection containing $6.0 \cdot 10^{18} \mathrm{~kg}$ of technetium 99 m . The scan is taken four hours after the injection.

How much technetium 99m remains un-decayed when the scan is taken? (Give your answer in kilograms.) (2 marks)
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$\qquad$
(iii) Describe how the positron emission tomography (PET) technique is used for diagnosis (3 marks)
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(iv) Identify an advantage of PET over other diagnostics techniques for imaging the body (1 mark)
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(d)
(i) Describe the sequence of events and associated processes of physics by which an image is produced using magnetic resonance imaging. (4 marks)
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(ii) Explain why MRI scans can be used to detect cancerous tissues in the human body (2 marks)
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(e) A sess the impact of medical applications based on ultrasound, radioactivity and the magnetic field of particles within the body on modern society. (5 marks)
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End of Section II

## 2015 HSC Physics Marking guidelines and sample answers

## Section I:

## Question 21

a) $\mathrm{Uy}=\operatorname{Sin} 20 \times 150$

$$
=51.30 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}
$$

$$
\mathrm{Ux}=\operatorname{Cos} 20 \times 150
$$

$$
=140.9 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}
$$

| Criteria | marks |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\bullet$ | Both correct answers with correct units |
| $\bullet$ | Both correct answers with units not used |
|  | OR |
| $\bullet$ | ONE correct response with units |

b) $\mathrm{V}=\mathrm{u}+\mathrm{at}$
$0=\operatorname{Sin} 20 \times 150-9.8 t$
$t=\operatorname{Sin} 20 \times 150 / 9.8$
$\mathrm{t}=5.24 \mathrm{secs}$

| Criteria | marks |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\bullet$ Correct answer | 1 |

c) $S=u t+1 / 2 a t^{2}$
$S=\operatorname{Sin} 20 \times 150 \times \operatorname{Sin} 20 \times 150 / 9.8-1 / 2 \times 9.8 \times(\operatorname{Sin} 20 \times 150 / 9.8)^{2}$
$=134.29 \mathrm{~m}$
Therefore height above water $=134.29+100$

$$
=234.29 \mathrm{~m}
$$

| Criteria | marks |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\bullet$ Correct answer | 2 |
| $\bullet$Correct height calculated but height of cliff not taken into <br> account | 1 |

d) Time to fall from height above water

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{S}=\mathrm{ut}+1 / 2 \mathrm{at}^{2} \\
& 234.29=0+1 / 2 \times 9.8 \times \mathrm{t}^{2} \\
& \mathrm{t}=\sqrt{ } 234.29 / 4.9 \\
& =\text { time equals } 6.91 \mathrm{secs} \\
& \text { Total time equals } \\
& 5.24+6.91 \\
& =12.15 \text { secs } \\
& \begin{aligned}
\text { DeltaX } & =\text { Ux } \mathrm{t} \\
& =\operatorname{Cos} 20(150) \times 12.15 \\
\quad & =1713.26
\end{aligned}
\end{aligned}
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Ship is 2 km away , therefore the cannon ball lands 286.74 m short

| Criteria | marks |
| :--- | :--- |
| - Correct total time calculated | 3 |
| - Correct range found |  |
| - Conclusion made based on results | 2 |
| - Single error made in calculation | 1 |

## Question 22



1. A light beam is emitted at the light source and travels towards the half-silver mirror.
2. The half-silver mirror is a device that splits the light beam into two paths: one that will travel with and against the aether wind; the other that will travel across the aether wind. Note that the aether wind is created as a result of the Earth moving through the stationary background aether.
3.One light beam travels across the aether wind to reach mirror A, and then reflects back also across the aether wind.
3. The other light beam travels first with the aether wind to reach mirror B and then reflects back to travel against the aether wind. (If the aether wind is to 'blow' in the opposite direction, then this beam will first travel against the aether wind, then with the aether wind.)
4. The two light beams re-unite at the half-silver mirror and are reflected to the interferometer. If aether exists, then the velocity of the light beam that has travelled with ,then against, the aether wind would be affected.
However, the velocity of the light that has travelled across the aether wind is affected to a different extent. Therefore, when the two beams re-join, they should be out of phase to each other, and an interference pattern can be observed at the interferometer.

| Criteria | marks |
| :---: | :--- |
| -Diagram is labelled including, $1 / 2$ silvered mirror, block <br> on Mg, mirrors, light source | 3 |
| -Correctly outlines features included <br> o Light splitting by mirror <br> o Light travels to 2 mirrors set equal distance away <br> o Instrument is rotated 90 degrees |  |
| -Expected results stated |  |
| - Single error made in calculation | 2 |
| - Two errors made in calculation | 1 |

## Question 23

$\mathrm{R}=3 \sqrt{ } \mathrm{GM} / 4 \pi^{2} \mathrm{X} \mathrm{t}^{2}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =\left(3 \sqrt{ } 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.0 \times 20^{24} / 4 \pi^{2}\right) \times(24 \times 60 \times 60)^{2} \\
& =4402271.876 \mathrm{~m}
\end{aligned}
$$

Radius of Earth equals $=6371000$
Altitude $=4402271.876-6371000$
$=1968728.124 \mathrm{~m}$

| Criteria | marks |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\bullet$ Correctly subs into Correct equation in SI units | 2 |
| - Correct altitude given | 1 |
| - Single error made in calculation | 1 |

## Question 24

$\mathrm{Fc}=\mathrm{Fg}$
$\mathrm{m}_{1} \mathrm{v}_{2} / \mathrm{r}=\mathrm{Gm}_{1} \mathrm{M}_{2} / \mathrm{d}^{2}$
$\mathrm{v}=\sqrt{ } \mathrm{GM}_{2} / \mathrm{r}$
From the above equation shows that orbital speed is only dependant on $G$, mass of planet and radius. SO therefore is independent of mass of satellite

| Criteria | marks |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\bullet$ Correctly shows orbital velocity formulae | 2 |
| - Single error made in derivation | 1 |

## Question 25

## Solution

Both phenomena are interactions between current-carrying wires and magnetic fields.
The motor effect force on a wire can be calculated as $F=B I l \sin \theta$, that is, the product of the magnetic field intensity B , the current in the wire $I$ and the sine of the angle between the current direction and the magnetic field direction. In contrast the potential difference that is induced in a wire is calculated as $V=-\frac{\Delta \Phi}{\Delta t}$, the time rate of change of the magnetic flux experienced by the wire.
The motor effect involves supplying a current to a circuit in presence of a magnetic field in order to convert electrical energy to kinetic energy, whereas Electromagnetic induction involves supplying kinetic energy to a circuit in the presence of a magnetic field in order to convert kinetic energy to electrical energy.
In the ME, the elctrical energy does work on the wire wheras in EM the changing magnetic flux does work on the charges in the wire.

| Criteria | Marks |
| :---: | :---: |
| - Both are identified as electromagnetic interactions involving wires and magnetic fields. <br> - Each interaction is described correctly <br> - Energy conversions are correctly described <br> - Correct equations are given | 3 |
| - Each interaction is described correctly AND <br> - Energy conversions are correctly described <br> - OR <br> - Both are identified as electromagnetic interactions involving wires and magnetic fields AND the energy conversions are correct <br> Or <br> - As above but only one equation is given | 2 |
| - One correct relevant statement only | 1 |

## Question 26

## Solution

Answers could contain:
A current balance can be used. A conducting rod can be placed upon an electronic balance in proximity to magnetic field in such a way that the weight force of the rod can be opposed by the motor effect force. The rod is to be connected in series to a circuit with a variable DC power supply. The weight of the rod as a function of applied DC current, magnetic fiels strength, angle between B and I, can be measured to increase or decrease as the independent variable is varied.
A spring balance connected to a coil in such a way as to measure the force applied as a function of $I, B$ or angle could also work.

| Criteria | Marks |
| :---: | :---: |
| - A valid experiment is outlined <br> - The proposed method is unambiguous <br> - The IV's and DV are clear, and examines $\Delta \mathrm{I}, \Delta \mathrm{B}, \Delta$ orientation <br> - The nature of the relationship between the motor effect force and the observed/measured variable is clearly made <br> - The equipment needed is clearly described <br> - The need for DC current is identified | 4 |
| - A valid experiment is outlined AND <br> - two of the above supplied only OR <br> - If either current strength or magnetic field strength or orientation is not varied | 3 |
| - A valid experiment is identified AND <br> - one of the above supplied only <br> OR <br> - If distance of movement is observed without direction of movement being considered <br> OR <br> - Distance of movement is not linked to applied force | 2 |
| - A valid experiment is identified <br> - the procedure is is demonstration of the effect only | 1 |

Best responses established a clear link with the measured quantity and the variation of one of the following: current, B field strength, length of conductor in the field. Use of a force measuring instrument such as an electronic balance or a spring balance showed an understanding that it was force that was the appropriate DV.

Weaker responses relied on observation of the movement of the wire. They did not require specific observation of the acceleration of the wire as would be expected from an $F=$ ma situation. Measurement of the distance moved by the wire need to be linked to how the force realtes to the distance. This could be done by using the wire in a way that would see it displaying some kind of spring-like response to the applied force and making the case that the degree of deflection then corresponded to the applied force.
Weakest responses

- left ambiguity in their procedures that would make execution of the procedure impossible.
- Did not vary I or B except in a binary way, thus reducing their procedure to a demonstration rather than an experiment.

A Valid Experiment is more than just controlling variables and having clear IV and DV. The phenomeon in question has to be actually guaranteed to operate without any interference that could confuse the interpretation of the results.

## Question 27

Solution


$$
\begin{aligned}
\ln [1]:= & k=2.0 \times 10^{-7} ; \\
& i a=i b=1.5 ; \\
& l=1.5 ; \\
& d=0.25 ; \\
& f=\frac{k i a \operatorname{ib} 1}{d}
\end{aligned}
$$

Out[5] $=2.7 \times 10^{-6}$
directed to the left

\left.| (a) | Criteria |
| :--- | :---: |
| - Wire A is on the left |  |
| - | Marks currents are in the correct |
| direction |  |$\right)$

## Question 28

(a) (3 marks)

Outcomes Assessed: H9, H13
Targeted Performance Bands: 3-4

| Criteria | Mark |
| :--- | :---: |
| - Provides a complete labelled diagram including: magnetic field, type of current |  |
| generated and coils | 3 |
| AND <br> - A clear description of the role of all labelled parts |  |
| AND <br> A <br> - A description of the role of some of the parts | 2 |
| OR <br> OR <br> - A description of the role of some of the parts | 1 |

## Sample answer:



Split Ring
Commutator

In a simple DC generator, a coil of wire is rotated through a magnetic field. This rotation generates current, as the coil experiences a changing magnetic flux threading it. A laminated iron core, may be included, to enhance the magnitude of the magnetic effect experienced by the coil surrounding it. The split ring commutator conducts the current from the rotating coil to the output voltage terminals, to the external circuit.
(b) (2 marks)

Outcomes Assessed: H7, H9
Targeted Performance Bands: 3-4

| Criteria | Mark |
| :--- | :---: |
| - Identifies that most structural features are similar <br> - Identifies the reverse nature - electric energy production versus use to describe <br> differences | 2 |
| OR Identifies some of the similar structural features <br> - Describes differences in energy use and production | 1 |

## Sample answer:

The structure of an electric motor and a generator are similar except for their connections to an external circuit. A generator produces electrical energy and is connected to an external load circuit to deliver its current. A motor uses electrical energy and is connected to a supply of electricity to power the device.

## Question 29

(a) ( 2 marks)

Outcomes Assessed: H7, H9
Targeted Performance Bands: 3-4

| Criteria | Mark |
| :--- | :---: |
| $\bullet$ Describes the role of both the filament AND the electrodes | 2 |
| - Describes the role of either the filament OR the electrodes | 1 |

## Sample answer:

The electrons are initially released from a heated filament at the cathode and then accelerated towards the high voltage anode. The anode is positive and has a central hole for the electrons to pass through towards the screen.
(b) (2 marks)

Outcomes Assessed: H9
Targeted Performance Bands: 3-4

| Criteria | Mark |
| :--- | :---: |
| $\bullet$ Selects correct equation and substituted correctly | 2 |
| AND | 2 |
| - Indicated correct force direction | ONE of the above |

## Sample answer:

$F_{B}=q v B \sin \theta=1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 4200 \mathrm{~ms}^{-1} \times 0.5 T=3.36 \times 10^{-16} N$ (down the page).
(c) (2 marks)

Outcomes Assessed: H6, H9
Targeted Performance Bands: 3-4

| Criteria | Mark |
| :--- | :---: |
| AND | 2 |
| AND the correct equation and substitutes into it correctly | 2 |
| Correctly identifies charge on a plate | 1 |

## Sample answer:

$F_{E}=-F_{B}$, so $F_{E}$ needs to be up the page, so plate Q must be -ve.

$$
V=q F_{B} d=v B d=4200 \mathrm{~ms}^{-1} \times 0.5 T \times 0.01 \mathrm{~m}=21 \mathrm{~V} .
$$

## Question 30

(a) (1 mark)

Outcomes Assessed: H10, H14
Targeted Performance Bands: 3-5

| Criteria | Mark |
| :---: | :---: |
| - Identifies a recent trend in superconductivity research, with reference to the graph | 1 |

## Sample answer:

Scientific research is endeavouring to increase the critical temperature $\left(\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}\right)$ of superconducting materials.
(b) (3 marks)

Outcomes Assessed: H9, H10
Targeted Performance Bands: 3-5

| Criteria | Mark |
| :---: | :---: |
| - Discusses MOST aspects of the effects of temperature on superconductivity, including an outline of the BCS theory <br> AND <br> - Links critical temperature to: formation of Cooper pairs $\rightarrow$ the distortion of the lattice $\rightarrow$ unimpeded movement of the Cooper pairs through the lattice $\rightarrow$ zero resistance | 3 |
| - Discusses SOME áspects of the effects of temperature on superconductivity AND <br> - Links critical temperature to: formation of Cooper pairs $\rightarrow$ the distortion of the lattice $\rightarrow$ unimpeded movement of the Cooper pairs through the lattice $\rightarrow$ zero resistance | 2 |
| - Discusses AN aspect of the effects of temperature on superconductivity, linking critical temperature to AN aspect of the BCS theory | 1 |

## Sample answer:

When a superconductor is cooled to temperatures below its critical temperature, the lattice of positively charged ions is slightly distorted by the passing electrons. This distortion of the lattice is associated with the emission of phonons which effectively form a positive charge. A second electron is attracted to this positive charge, forming Cooper pairs, which are able to pass through the lattice unimpeded. Phonons and Cooper pairs can only form at temperatures below critical temperature.
(c) (3 marks)

Outcomes Assessed: H5
Targeted Performance Bands: 3-5

| Criteria | Mark |
| :--- | :---: |
| - Describes an advantage AND limitation of an application of superconductors | 3 |
| - Identifies an application of superconductors | 2 |
| AND |  |
| - Describes an advantage OR a limitation | 1 |
| - Identifies an application |  |
| OR Identifies an advantage OR identifies a limitation |  |

## Sample answer:

Superconductors can be used for power distribution, reducing energy loss from transmission lines and replacing the need for transformers in the electricity grid. This will reduce the production of electricity and greenhouse gases in the atmosphere. This application is not yet viable, as the low critical temperature required for superconductors prohibits widespread use in the distribution grid.

## Question 31

(a)

| Criteria | Mark |
| :--- | :---: |
| $\bullet$ An answer that correctly defines stopping voltage | 1 |

## Sample answer

The stopping voltage is the lowest potential difference applied between the anode and cathode plates such that it stops any electrons emitted from the anode from crossing the tube against the electric field between them, so the galvanometer measures zero.
(b)

|  | Criteria |
| :--- | :---: |
| - | Correctly completing all values on the table |
| - | Correctly positioning all four points on the graph |
| - | Drawing an appropriate line of best fit |
| - | 4 |
| - Extending the line of best fit to reach (or cross) the $y$-axis | 4 |
| - | Succeeding in all but one of the above outcomes |
| - | Succeeding in in only two of these outcomes |

## Sample answer

| Light frequency | Reading 1 | Reading 2 | Reading 3 | Average |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $3.9 \times 10^{14} \mathrm{~Hz}$ | None | None | None | - |
| $5.9 \times 10^{14} \mathrm{~Hz}$ | 0.44 eV | 0.47 eV | 0.44 eV | 0.45 eV |
| $7.9 \times 10^{14} \mathrm{~Hz}$ | 1.23 eV | 1.21 eV | 1.17 eV | 1.20 eV |
| $9.9 \times 10^{14} \mathrm{~Hz}$ | 1.99 eV | 2.10 eV | 1.99 eV | 2.03 eV |
| $11.1 \times 10^{14} \mathrm{~Hz}$ | 2.48 eV | 2.51 eV | 2.47 eV | 2.49 eV |


(c)


## Sample answer

It was necessary to take several readings of each test in order to check that each of the results is reliable. This is shown when they are all very similar.
(d)
$\square$ Criteria
| Marks

- The student correctly reads off the point where the lobf crosses the $f$-axis
- The student correctly reads off the point where the lobf touches the $y$-axis
- One correct reading from those above


## Sample answer

Reading off from the graph, the threshold frequency is $4.7 \times 10^{14}$ hertz;
The value of the work function of the metal is 1.8 eV
[Note: The minus sign can be ignored if a student includes it. Also, the precise values depend upon the line of best fit drawn by the student in Part (b), and should be marked accordingly.]
(e)

| Criteria | Mark |
| :--- | :---: |
| • Correctly substitutes into the correct relationship to get an answer | 1 |

## Sample answer

Since $1 \mathrm{eV}=1.602 \times 10^{-19}$ joules, $\quad \therefore 1.8 \mathrm{eV}=2.9 \times 10^{-19} \mathrm{~J}$

Question 32
(a) (1 mark)

|  | Criteria |
| :--- | :---: |
| $\bullet$ Correct identification | Mark |

## Sample answer

The label A represents the conduction band of a substance in Band Theory.
(b) (2 marks)

| Criteria | Marks |
| :--- | :---: |
| $\bullet$ | 2 |
| Identifying Diagram X as the one representing p-type semiconductors | 1 |
| - One of the above | 1 |

## Sample answer

A p-type semiconductor has what is called an acceptor level slightly in the forbidden gap just above the valence band, as shown in Diagram $X$.
P-type semiconductors have increased conductivity due to the presence of 'holes' which can migrate through the crystal. Although there is no excess positive charge there, these holes are regarded as being positive because they do attract electrons. If an electron enters a hole, it is therefore slightly repelled by the negative charge it brings with it, hence is slightly closer to the conduction band than is a normal electron in the valence band - it is in the acceptor-level. (c) (3 marks)

| Criteria | Marks |
| :--- | :---: |
| $-\quad$ Correct labelled diagram, as required in the question | 3 |
| - Explanation of the donor level, and how it increases conductivity |  |
| - Reduction of electrical resistance identified | 2 |
| - One of the above missing | 1 |
| - One of the above present |  |

## Sample answer



This diagram shows the Band Theory diagram of an n-type semiconductor, which contains valence-5 impurity. It results in the presence of electrons that are almost delocalised (free of their 'parent atom') in the crystal; in fact they are found in a 'donor level' just below the conduction band. Such electrons need very little energy to escape into the conduction band, in which case the material now acts quite like a conductor.
This energy can be provided by light, heat, or the application of even fairly low voltage. The place of an electron that has jumped into the conduction band and been released is quickly occupied by another electron, because the escaped electron leaves a positive charge behind, so the process continues, the donor level acting like a sort of energy springboard, so clearly the electrical resistance of the semiconductor is reduced.

## Question 33

(a) (3 marks)

| Criteria | Mark |
| :---: | :---: |
| - States that the graph could not be explained with the existing (classical) theory at the time <br> OR <br> - Directly refers to specific aspects of the graph that were a problem to explain AND <br> - Describes Planck's explanation (Quantum Theory) OR E=hf AND relates this to the problem | 3 |
| - Describes the problem with blackbody radiation AND <br> - Describes Planck's explanation (Quantum Theory) as a solution to the problem | 2 |
| - Outlines blackbody radiation OR <br> - Outlines the change in scientific thinking | 1 |

## Sample answer:

The accepted theory of the time was that radiation (energy) was emitted as a wave and would continuously be emitted as the body got hotter and therefore the intensity would continuously increase as the wavelength decreased. The experimental data (graph) did not indicate this, as the intensity peaked and then diminishes for all temperatures as the wavelength decreases.
Planck suggested that the radiation (heat energy) was being emitted in discrete amounts (packets) later called quanta. He suggested the atoms of a blackbody could oscillate back and forth to emit energy consistent with the equationE $=\boldsymbol{h} \boldsymbol{f}$, whereby only whole numbers of quanta could be absorbed or emitted.
(b) (2 marks)

## Sample answer:

| Criteria | Mark |
| :--- | :---: |
| - Describes Einstein's application of the quantum theory to explain the photoelectric <br> effect <br> AND <br> $\bullet$ <br> Describes the relationship between frequency and emitted photoelectrons | 2 |
| OR <br> - Identifies the photoelectric effect <br> - Describes the quantum nature of light | 1 |

Einstein extended Planck's quantum theory of energy to light. He applied it to explain the results of the photoelectric effect, where once again it was the frequency that determined the energy of the light, not the intensity of the light. Einstein suggested light was made up of packets of energy called photons, and that a minimum (threshold) frequency of light was required for photoelectrons to be emitted during the photoelectric effect.

## Section II: Medical Physics

a) I
(a) (i) (3 marks)

Outcomes Assessed: H3, H7, H8
Targeted Performance Bands: 3-5

| Criteria | Marks |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| - $\quad \begin{array}{l}\text { The PZ crystal is identified, the changing PD and effects on crystal is linked } \\ \text { in and the energy transformation is identified }\end{array}$ | 3 |
| - | The PZ crystal is identified AND the effects on crystal OR |
| - | The PZ crystal is identified AND the energy transformation is identified OR |
| - | The effects on crystal is identified AND the energy transformation |$]$| - |
| :---: |

## Sample answer

The ultrasound is produced inside a transducer using a piezoelectric crystal. The PZ crystal is supplied with a changing potential difference across its contacts, which makes the crystal deform, expanding and contracting in phase with the signal, and so outputting a high frequency pressure wave (ultrasound). The energy transformation is electrical energy $\rightarrow$ sound energy (or KE).

29 (a) (ii) (2 marks)
Outcomes Assessed: H3, H7, H8
Targeted Performance Bands: 3-5

| Criteria | Marks |
| :--- | :---: |
| $\bullet$ Two correct options identified | 2 |
| $\bullet$ | One correct option identified |

## Sample answer

The ultrasound waves not detected are either absorbed by the body, scattered, refracted, or transmitted through the body.
29 (a) (iii) (2 marks)
Outcomes Assessed: H3, H7, H14
Targeted Performance Bands: 3-5

|  | Criteria |
| :--- | :---: |
| $\bullet$ correct calculation | Marks |
| $\bullet$ partially correct calculation | 2 |

Sample answer
The reflectance ratio is $\frac{I_{r}}{I_{0}}=\frac{\left[Z_{2}-Z_{1}\right]^{2}}{\left[Z_{2}+Z_{1}\right]^{2}}$
So $\quad \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{r}} / \mathrm{I}_{0}=\left[(1.54-1.52) \times 10^{6}\right]^{2} /\left[(1.54+1.52) \times 10^{6}\right]^{2}=4.27 \times 10^{-5}$
b) i

## MARKING GUIDELINES

| Criteria | Marks |
| :---: | :---: |
| - Correct reading of half life from the graph | 1 |

Question 29 (b) (ii)
Outcomes assessed: H14

## MARKING GUIDELINES

| Criteria | Marks |
| :--- | :---: |
| - Correctly determines the quantity of technetium 99 m remaining after 4 <br> hours (in kg) | 2 |
| - Correctly determines the percentage of technetium 99 m remaining after 4 <br> hours | I |

i) 6 hours
ii) $\quad 62.5 \%$ remaining

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62.5 / 100 \times 6.0 \times 10^{18}
$$

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\begin{aligned}
& =3.75 \times 10^{18} \mathrm{Kg} \\
& =1
\end{aligned}
$$

iii)

The first step in making a PET image is to give the patient a radioisotope (also called a radiopharmaceutical) that closely resembles a natural substance in the body.
During a scan, the patients head, or body part being scanned, is placed inside a large doughnut-shaped ring (gantry) of gamma ray detectors.


Figure 1.1. Positron emission and annibilation.
Since the gamma rays are emitted with the same energy and in opposite directions, a pair of detectors placed at $180^{\circ}$ to each other will detect the two rays.
Computers calculate the point from which they emerged by comparing the arrival times of the two photons.

\left.| Criteria |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| - | Identifies radiopharmaceutical is needed And |
| - | B + decay |
| - | Identifies annihilates and production of 2 gamma rays in opposite directions |$\right)$

iv)

| Criteria | Marks |
| :---: | :---: |

provides a functional scan of a organ rather than a structural
d) i)

Patient - initially proton spins are randomly orientated. Spins are created as protons are moving charge and create their own magnetic field.

- Magnetic field applied - proton spins align with the external field
- RF pulse is applied - Provided the frequency of the pulse is the same as that of the nuclear - larmor frequency - resonance will occur. The energy causes the protons to process around magnetic field lines.
- RF signal is turned off
- Patient produces RF signal - protons lose the absorbed energy. As they relax, return to their lower energy state, the energy is transferred into radio waves of the same frequency as the incident wave - Receiving ion detects weak RF signal - the alternating em wave sets up an alternating electric potential
- Computer reconstructs image - image is produced on a computer screen

MARKING GUIDELINES

\left.| Criteria | Marks |
| :--- | :---: |
| - Demonstrates thorough knowledge and understanding of producing an |  |
| MRI image |  |
| - Provides a detailed sequence of events involved with specific reference to |  |
| the physics involved |  |
| - Demonstrates coherence and logical progression and includes correct use |  |
| of scientific terms |  |$\right) 5-6$

ii)

| Criteria | marks |
| :---: | :--- |
| • Describes how cancerous tissue is detected, with <br> reference to MRI process and water content of tumour | 2 |
| - States tumour has higher water content | 1 |

e)

| Criteria | marks |
| :---: | :--- |
| -Makes an appropriate judgement based on a <br> demonstrated extensive knowledge and understanding <br> of the use of the medical applications of physics on <br> modern society | 5 |
| -Makes an appropriate judgement based on a <br> demonstrated thorough knowledge and understanding <br> of the use of the medical applications of physics on <br> modern society | 4 |
| o Makes an appropriate judgement based on a demonstrated <br> sound knowledge and understanding of the use of the <br> medical applications of physics on modern society <br> OR <br> o Makes an appropriate judgement based on a demonstrated <br> extensive knowledge and understanding of the use of one <br> medical application of physics on modern society | 3 |
| Makes an appropriate judgement based on a basic <br> knowledge and understanding of the use of the <br> medical applications of physics on modern society | 2 |
| Correctly states the two medical applications of physics and <br> how they are utilised as diagnostic tools | 1 |

