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Section I
One hour
Answer all questions

1. a) State the principle on which the optical fibre operates.
State any two uses of optical fibre
Draw a labelled diagram of an optical fibre and show on the diagram how a ray of light is transmitted through the optical fibre. (6 marks)

2. a) State the assumptions used in deriving the kinetic theory equation, $P = \frac{1}{3} \rho \bar{C}^2$ where P is the pressure exerted by the particles, ρ is the density of the gas and $\sqrt{\bar{C}^2}$ the root mean square velocity. (6 marks)

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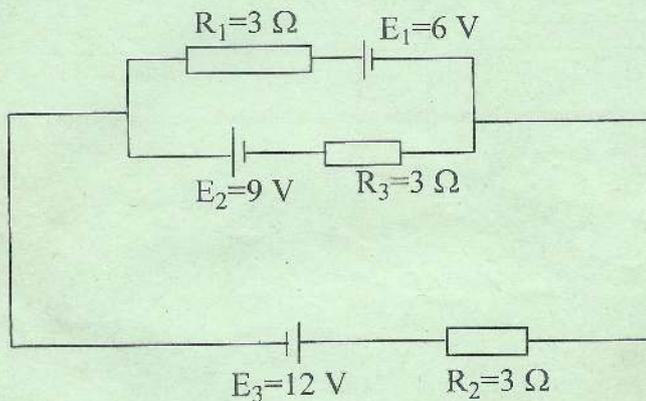


Figure 1.

- Figure 1 is a circuit diagram showing how dc power sources (E_1 , E_2 , E_3) are connected with loads of resistances R_1 , R_2 and R_3
Calculate the currents through R_1 , R_2 and R_3 (8 marks)

4. A 25 kg plank is suspended horizontally by a rope as shown on the diagram in figure 2.

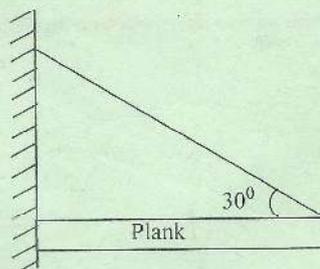


Figure 2

- (a) Draw a diagram indicating the forces acting on the plank.
(b) Calculate the tension in the rope. (4 marks)

5. Distinguish between solids and liquids using
- (a) Intermolecular forces
 - (b) Molecular motion
 - (c) Molecular arrangement
 - (d) Intermolecular spacing
 - (e) Bulk shape. (6 marks)
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6. a) Draw two separate diagrams to show a p-n junction connected in the forward bias and reserved bias.
b) When a p-n junction diode is connected in a circuit and is reserved bias, there is a very small leakage current across the junction. Explain the source of this current. How does the size of this current depend on temperature of the diode. (6 marks)
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7. A tennis player drives a ball at 60 m s^{-1} ; 10° to the horizontal and 50 cm above a tennis court.
- (a) Calculate the velocity at which the ball hits the court.
 - (b) Sketch the velocity – time graph for the velocity of the ball. (4 marks)
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SECTION II

One and a half hours
Answer all questions

Answer either 8 (a), (b), and (c) or 8 (d), (e) (f) and (g)

Either 8 (a), (b), and (c)

(2 marks)

8. a) Define simple harmonic motion
 b) Describe an experiment to measure acceleration of free fall, g , using a simple pendulum. Your description should include a diagram, procedure, precautions, observations and conclusion. (8 marks)
 c) A small mass M is attached to the free end of a coiled spring on a smooth table. The other end of the spring is fixed and the mass pulled through a distance of 8 mm and then released. If the spring constant is 10 N m^{-1}
 (i) Prove that the motion of the mass at the end of the spring is simple harmonic (3 marks)
 (ii) If the mass oscillates at frequency of 30 Hz. Calculate the value of M and the kinetic energy of the body when the extension is 3.0 mm. (6 marks)
 (iii) State any assumption made in your calculations. (1 mark)

OR 8 (d), (e) (f) and (g)

(2 marks)

8. (d) Define specific heat capacity
 (e) Describe an experiment to determine the specific heat capacity of a metal. Your description should include a diagram, procedure, precaution, observation and conclusions. (8 marks)
 (f) An engine is used to raise an 800 kg block of iron at a speed of 6.7 m s^{-1} . 0.5 kg of glycerine initially at a room temperature of 23°C is required every second to maintain the temperature of the engine bearing at θ . The power developed by the engine is $1.0 \times 10^5 \text{ W}$. If the specific heat capacity of glycerine is $2.5 \times 10^3 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$. Calculate the value of θ . (5 marks)
 (g) A well lagged aluminum calorimeter of mass 80 g contains 150 g of water and 100 g of ice all at 0°C . A heating coil rated 1.0 kW is put in the calorimeter and the mixture stirred until its temperature is 33°C . Calculate how much ice is left after one minute. State any assumption you have made. (5 marks)

Answer either 9a, b, c or 9d, e, f

Either 9a, b, c

(2 marks)

9. a) Define the term resistivity.
 b) The graph in figure 3 below shows how the resistance of a copper wire varies with its length at 20°C

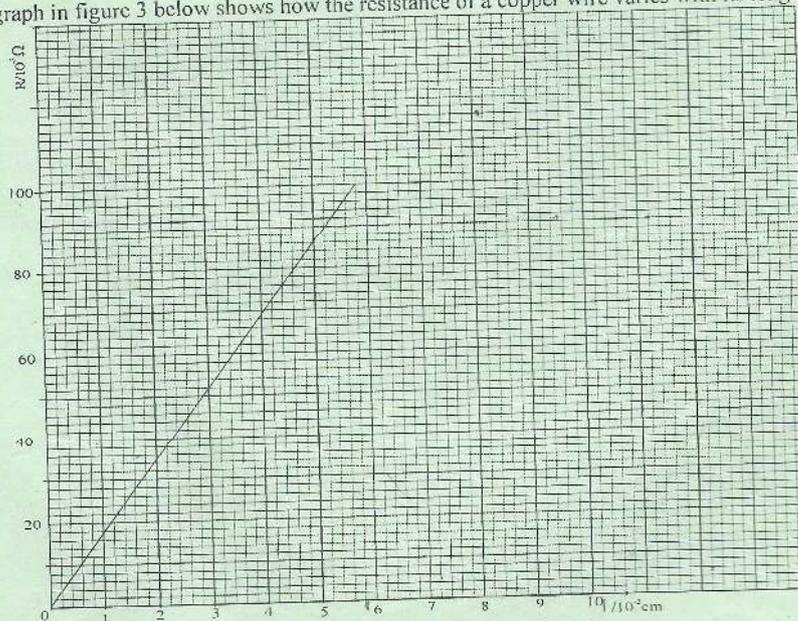


Figure 3

The wire has a thickness of 1.00 mm. Use the graph to determine.

- (i) The resistivity of the wire.

(5 marks)

$Q = mc\Delta\theta$

$R = \rho \frac{l}{A}$
 $RA = \rho l$
 $\frac{RA}{l}$

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- (ii) The conductivity of copper wire. If the experiment were carried out at 30 °C. How would this affect the conductivity of the copper wire? (4 marks)
- (iii) The length of the copper wire that has a resistance of 56 m Ω (2 marks)
- (c) A milliammeter has a resistance of 10 ohm and a full deflection of 10 m A. How would you convert it into
 - (i) An ammeter reading up to 10A (7 marks)
 - (ii) A voltmeter reading up to 10V. (2 marks)

Or 9d, e, f
9 d)

State two conditions that must be satisfied for a balance to be obtained with a slide wire potentiometer. (2 marks)

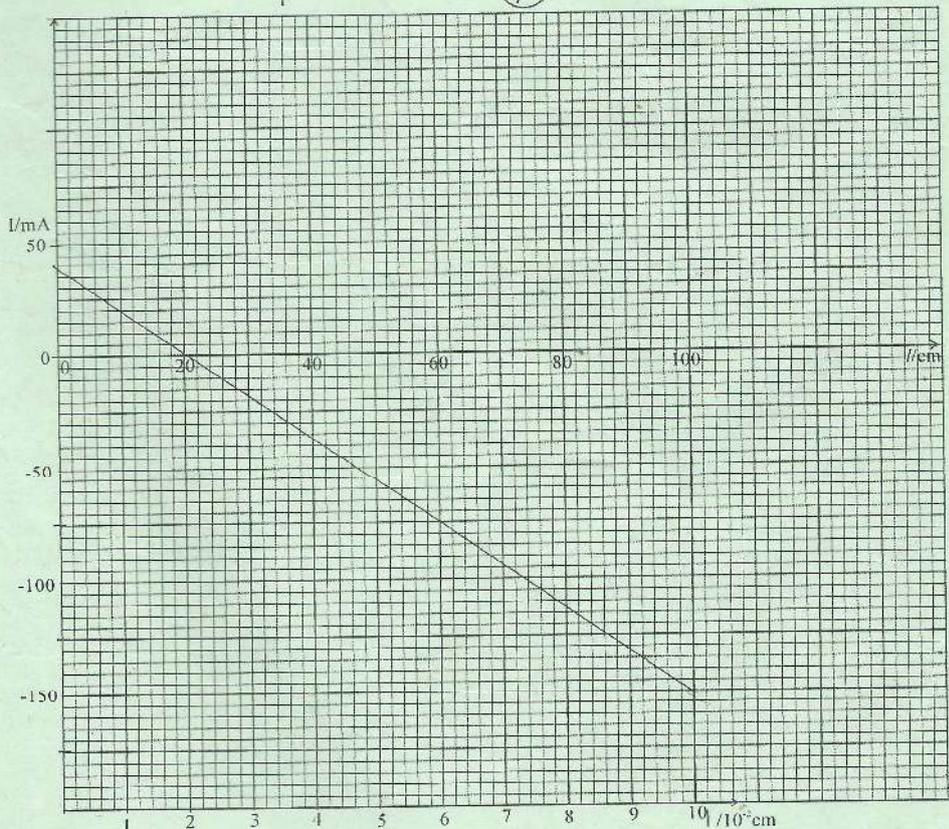
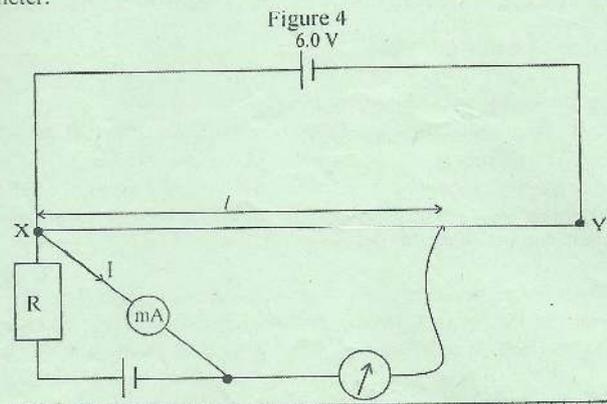


Figure 5

The circuit of figure 4 is used to obtain data from which a graph of current, I against balance length L , is drawn as in figure 5. The internal resistance of the cell is negligible.

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- (i) Explain why for different values of L , the current I can be positive, zero or negative (3 marks)
- (ii) Using the graph, calculate the resistance of R . What assumption have you made in your calculations? (6 marks)
- (iii) Hence, deduce the emf of the cell. (3 marks)
- (e) The flux density between the poles of a powerful electromagnet is 2.5 T. What is the force exerted on 15 mm of wire carrying a current of 3.0 A when the wire is
 - (i) At right angles to the field (3 marks)
 - (ii) Parallel to the field (1 mark)
 - (iii) At an angle of 30° to the field. (2 marks)

10. Answer either 10 a, b, and c or 10 d and e

Either 10 (a), (b), and (c)

- a)(i) Determine the dimensions of the universal gravitation constant G . (3 marks)
- (ii) Derive an expression for the acceleration, g , due to gravity at the earth's surface in terms of G , the radius of the earth R and its density, ρ . (5 marks)
- b) A communication satellite revolves round the earth in a circular orbit at a height of 36.000 km above the earth's surface. Find the satellite's period of revolution in hours. Comment on the result. (8 marks)
- c) Distinguish between electric and gravitational fields. (4 marks)

Or 10 d, and e

- 10 (d) (i) Distinguish between photoelectric emission and thermionic emission. (2 marks)
- (ii) State four observations obtained from experiment on photoelectric emission. (4 marks)
- (iii) Choose any two of the observations and account for them in terms of the quantum theory of light. (5 marks)
- (e) The ${}_{84}^{212}\text{Po}$ nucleus emits α particles when it decays.
 - (i) What is the significance of 212 and 84 in the ${}_{84}^{212}\text{Po}$. (2 marks)
 - (ii) Write out and complete the equation below representing this decay.

$${}_{84}^{212}\text{Po} \rightarrow {}_2^4\alpha + \text{_____} \quad (2 \text{ marks})$$
 - (iii) Calculate the energy that is emitted in the decay process of ${}_{84}^{212}\text{Po}$ in joules

Atomic mass:	Polonium	= 211.9890U
	Alpha particle	= 4.002611
	Lead	= 207.9767U
	1U	= 931 MeV

 (5 marks)