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GCSE PHYSICS

Foundation Tier

Paper 2

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Friday 12 June 2020

Morning

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- a ruler
- a scientific calculator
- a protractor
- the Physics Equations Sheet (enclosed).

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Pencil should only be used for drawing.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer all questions in the spaces provided.
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- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- In all calculations, show clearly how you work out your answer.

Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 100.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- You are expected to use a calculator where appropriate.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

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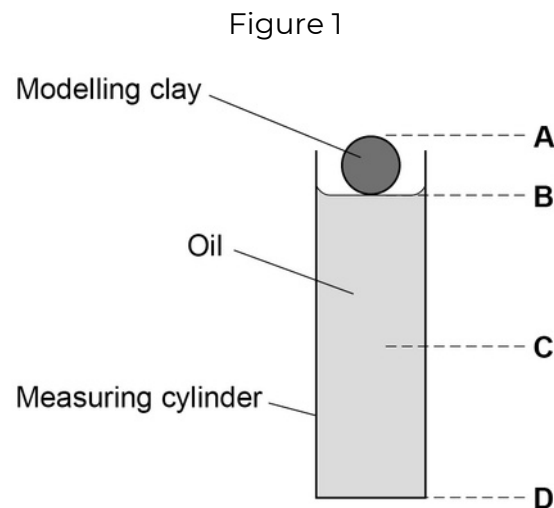
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Answer all questions in the spaces provided.

0 1

A student dropped a piece of modelling clay into oil.

Figure 1 shows the modelling clay just before it was dropped into the oil.



0 1.1

What was the distance fallen by the modelling clay?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) one box.

from A to C

☐

from A to D

☐

from B to C

☐

from B to D

☒

0 1.2

What measuring instrument should be used to measure the distance fallen?

[1 mark]

metre rule

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The student dropped four pieces of modelling clay, each with a different shape.

For each piece the student measured the time taken to fall the same distance through the oil.

0 1.3

The student removed each piece of modelling clay from the oil before dropping the next piece.

Suggest one reason why.





[1 mark]

So that each piece falls the same distance

The student repeated the measurements and calculated mean values.

Table 1 shows the results.

Table 1

Shape	Time taken in seconds			
	Drop 1	Drop 2	Drop 3	Mean
 Sphere	47	38	41	42
 Cube	68	49	57	58
 Cylinder	34	37	34	X
 Cone	29	23	26	26

0 1.4

Calculate value X in Table 1.

[2 marks]

$$\frac{34+37+34}{3}$$

X = 35 s

0 1.5

Each piece of modelling clay had the same mass.

Which shape in Table 1 had the smallest resistive force acting against it as it fell?

Tick (✓) one box.

Give one reason for your answer.

[2 marks]

Cone

☒

Cube

☐

Cylinder

☐

Sphere

☐

Reason

the mean time is the lowest

0 1.6

How would the time taken to fall change if the modelling clay was dropped through air instead of through oil?

Tick (✓) one box.

[1 mark]

Time through air would be less.

☒

Time through air would be more.

☐

Time through air would be the same.

☐

Question 1 continues on the next page

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0 1.7

The mass of a piece of modelling clay was 0.050 kg.

gravitational field strength = 9.8 N/kg

Calculate the weight of the piece of modelling clay.

Use the equation:

$$\text{weight} = \text{mass} \times \text{gravitational field strength}$$

[2 marks]

$$W = 0.050 \times 9.8$$

Weight = 0.49 N

0 1.8

Weight causes the modelling clay to fall through the oil.

Weight is a non-contact force.

Which of the following are also non-contact forces?

[2 marks]

Tick (☐) two boxes.

Air resistance

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Electrostatic force

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Friction

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Magnetic force

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Tension

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0 2

Our solar system includes the Sun, planets and moons.

0 2.1

Complete the sentence.

Choose the answer from the box.

[1 mark]

Andromeda

Milky Way

Pinwheel

Whirlpool

Our solar system is part of the Milky Way galaxy.

0 2.2

Planets orbit the Sun.

What force causes planets to orbit the Sun?

[1 mark]

gravitational force

Table 2 shows data about five planets.

Table 2

Planet	Mean distance from the Sun in millions of kilometres	Mean surface temperature in °C
Earth	150	+22
Mars	228	−48
Jupiter	778	X
Saturn	1430	−178
Uranus	2870	−200

0 2.3

How does the mean surface temperature of the planets in Table 2 change as the mean distance from the Sun increases?

[1 mark]

it decreases

0 2.4

Predict the mean surface temperature of Jupiter (X) in Table 2.

[1 mark]

Mean surface temperature of Jupiter = between - 60 and -160 °C

0 2.5

Five of the planets in the solar system are given in Table 2.

How many other planets are there in the solar system?

[1 mark]

Tick (☐) one box.

Two

☐

Three

☒

Four

☐

Five

☐

0 2.6

Our Moon is a natural satellite.

Why is the Moon classified as a satellite?

[1 mark]

Tick (☐) one box.

It has no atmosphere.

☐

It has no gravitational field.

☐

It is too small to be a planet.

☐

It orbits a planet.

☒

Question 2 continues on the next page

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0 2.7

How are planets and moons similar?

[2 marks]

Tick (✓) two boxes.

Their mass is about the same.

☐

Their orbits are circular.

☒

Their surfaces are the same colour.

☐

They are similar in diameter.

☐

They do not emit visible light.

☒

0 2.8

The diameter of the Earth is 13 000 km.

The diameter of the Sun is 110 times greater than the diameter of the Earth.

Calculate the diameter of the Sun.

[2 marks]

$$d = 13000 \times 110$$

Diameter of the Sun = 1430000 km

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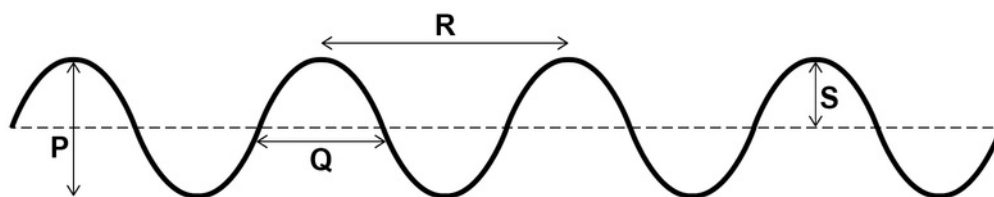
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Figure 2 shows some waves.

Figure 2



03.1

Which arrow represents the wavelength of the waves?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) one box.

P

☐

Q

☐

R

☒

S

☐

03.2

Which arrow represents the amplitude of the waves?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) one box.

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0 3.3

The waves have a frequency of 0.20 hertz.

Calculate the period of the waves.

Use the equation:

$$\text{period} = \frac{1}{\text{frequency}}$$

[2 marks]

$$T = \frac{1}{0.20}$$

Period = 5.0 s

0 3.4

The frequency of the waves is increased. The speed of the waves stays the same.

What happens to the wavelength of the waves?

[1 mark]

Tick (☐) one box.

The wavelength decreases.

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The wavelength increases.

☐

The wavelength stays the same.

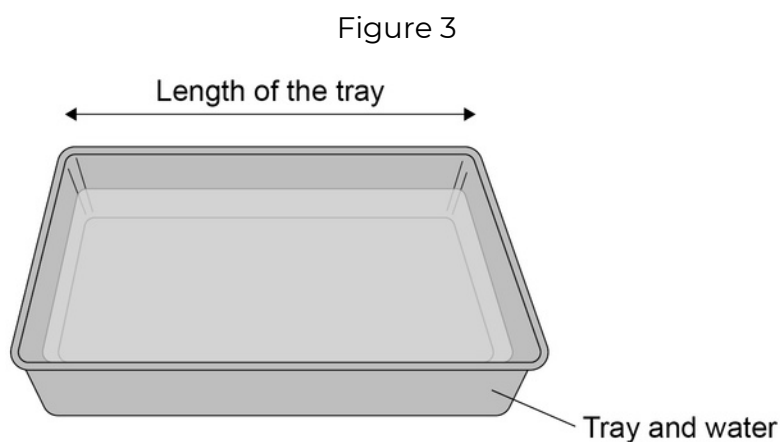
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A student investigated how the speed of water waves is affected by the depth of water in a tray.

Figure 3 shows some water in a rectangular tray.



The student lifted one end of the tray and then dropped it.

This made a wave which travelled the length of the tray.

0 3 . 5

The student measured the length of the tray.

What else should the student measure in order to calculate the speed of the wave?

[1 mark]

Tick (☐) one box.

Area of the bottom of the tray

☐

Depth of water in the tray

☐

Temperature of the water in the tray

☐

Time taken by the wave to travel the length of the tray

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0 3.6

What was the independent variable in this investigation?

[1 mark]

Depth of water

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Length of tray

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Speed of waves

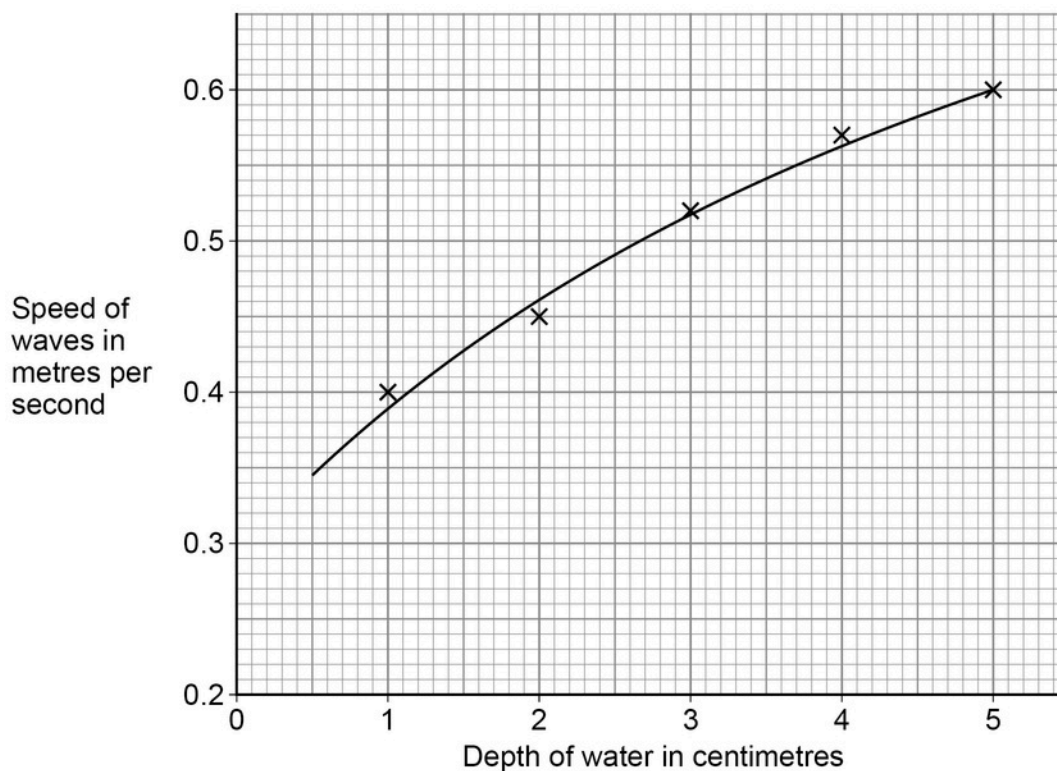
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Figure 4 shows the results.

Figure 4



0 3.7

Give one conclusion that can be made from Figure 4.

[1 mark]

as the depth increases, the speed
increases

0 3.8

What was the speed of a wave when the depth of water was 2.5 cm?

[1 mark]

Speed of wave = 0.49 m/s

9

0 4 1

Visible light is used for communications.

Which other parts of the electromagnetic spectrum are used for communications?

[2 marks]

Tick (✓) two boxes.

Gamma rays

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Microwaves

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Radio waves

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Ultraviolet

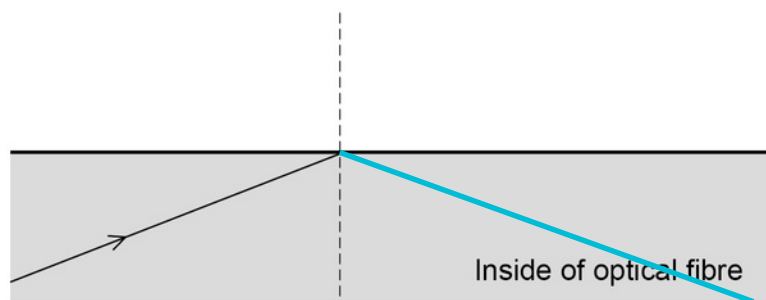
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X-rays

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Figure 5 shows a ray of light in an optical fibre.

Figure 5



0 4 2

What is the name given to the dotted line on Figure 5?

[1 mark]

normal

0 4 3

Where the ray of light touches the edge of the optical fibre it is reflected.

Draw the reflected ray on Figure 5.

[2 marks]

Question 4 continues on the next page

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0 4 4

Optical fibres need to be able to bend around corners without breaking.

Suggest the property that optical fibres must have to allow them to bend around corners.

[1 mark]

they need to be flexible

0 4 5

The appearance of visible light can change when it interacts with different objects.

Complete the sentences.

Choose the answers from the box.

Each answer may be used once, more than once or not at all.

[3 marks]

absorbed

reflected

refracted

transmitted

When white light is incident on a green filter, only green light passes through the filter.

This is because green light is transmitted by the filter.

All other colours of light are absorbed by the filter.

When red light shines on a blue object the red light is

absorbed.

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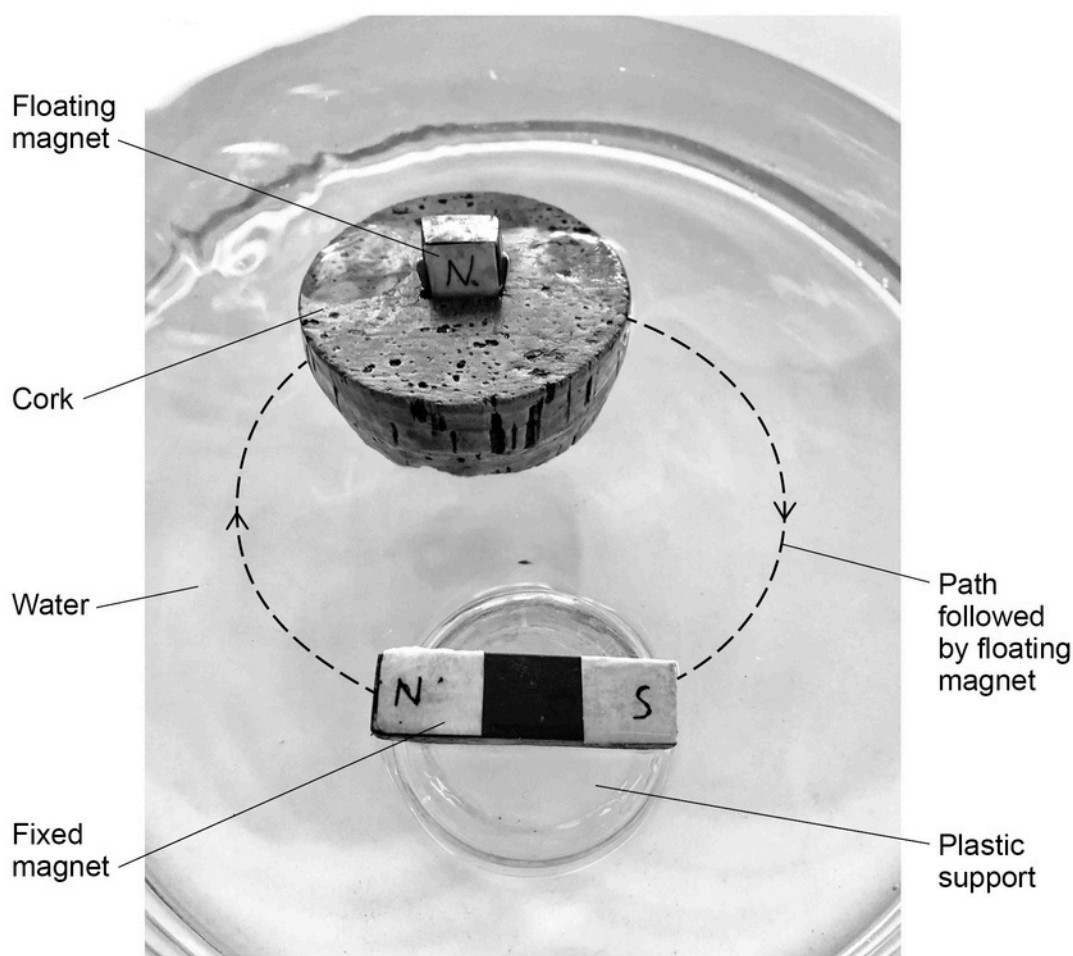
0 5

A student placed a magnet on top of a plastic support in a bowl of water. This magnet was fixed in position and above the surface of the water.

The student put a second magnet into a piece of cork so that the magnet floated on the water. Only the north pole of the floating magnet was above the surface of the water.

Figure 6 shows the arrangement of the magnets.

Figure 6



0 5.1

The floating magnet was placed near to the north pole of the fixed magnet. The floating magnet then moved along the path shown in Figure 6. Explain why.

[2 marks]

The north pole of the floating magnet is repelled from the north pole of the fixed magnet and attracted to the south pole of the fixed magnet.

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0 5 2

The student replaced the floating magnet with a piece of iron.

What happened to the piece of iron?

[1 mark]

It was attracted to the fixed magnet.

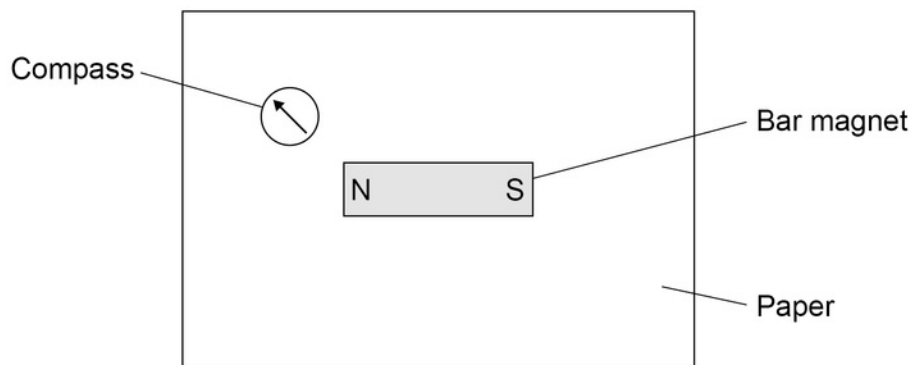
0 5 3

Describe how to use a compass to plot the magnetic field pattern around a bar magnet.

Use Figure 7 to help you.

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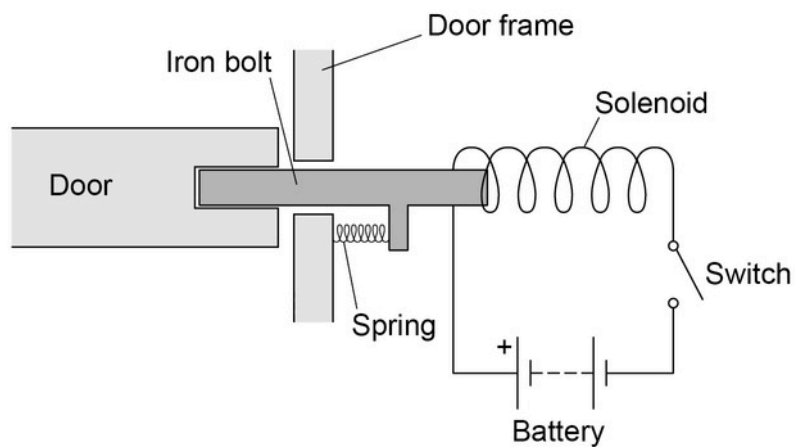
Figure 7



- mark where the compass points on the paper
- move the compass to the marked point
- repeat until you go back to the magnet
- join up the points
- add an arrow pointing from the north pole to the south pole
- repeat for positions above and below the bar magnet

Figure 8 shows a diagram of an electromagnetic lock used to secure a door.

Figure 8



0 5.4

Figure 9 shows an incomplete sequence of how the door unlocks.

Figure 9



Write one letter in each box to show the correct sequence.

[2 marks]

- A The iron bolt moves.
- B A magnetic field is created around the solenoid.
- C There is a current in the circuit.

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0 5 . 5

The electromagnetic lock contains a spring.

When the door is unlocked the extension of the spring is 0.040 m.

spring constant = 200 N/m

Calculate the elastic potential energy of the spring when the door is unlocked.

Use the equation:

$$\text{elastic potential energy} = 0.5 \times \text{spring constant} \times (\text{extension})^2$$

[2 marks]

$$E_e = 0.5 \times 200 \times 0.040^2$$

$$E_e = 0.16 \text{ J}$$

Elastic potential energy = 0.16 J

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0 6 1

Figure 10 shows the position of three types of wave in the electromagnetic spectrum.

Figure 10

A	Microwaves	B	Visible light	C	D	Gamma rays
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Which letter represents the position of X-rays in the electromagnetic spectrum?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) one box.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

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A doctor needs to obtain an image of a bone in a patient's injured arm.

The doctor takes an X-ray of the arm.

0 6 2

Give one possible harmful consequence of receiving a dose of X-ray radiation.

[1 mark]

mutation of genes, DNA and chromosomes

Table 3 gives information about two methods of bone imaging.

Table 3

Method	Radiation dose in millisieverts
X-ray of arm	0.1
CT scan of arm	6.0

0 6 3

Compare the risk of harm to the patient of having an X-ray rather than a CT scan.

[2 marks]

The risk of harm is lower from the X-ray by a factor of 60

0 6 . 4

Which of the following is the same as 6.0 millisieverts?

[1 mark]

Tick (☐) one box.

0.60 sieverts

☐

0.060 sieverts

☐

0.0060 sieverts

☒

0.00060 sieverts

☐

0 6 . 5

The patient received a total radiation dose of 2.5 millisieverts during one year.

Calculate the percentage of this dose that came from one X-ray of the arm.

Use the data in Table 3.

[2 marks]

$$\frac{0.1}{2.5} \times 100$$

Percentage = 4 %

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0 7 1

An aircraft travels at a constant velocity.

How is the velocity of the aircraft different to the speed of the aircraft?

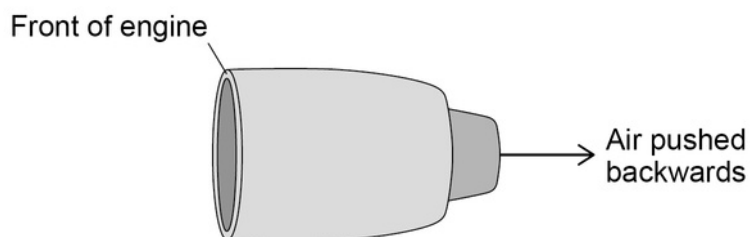
[1 mark]

Velocity includes direction

0 7 2

Figure 11 shows one of the engines on the aircraft.

Figure 11



Air is taken into the front of the engine and pushed out of the back of the engine.

Explain the effect this has on the engine.

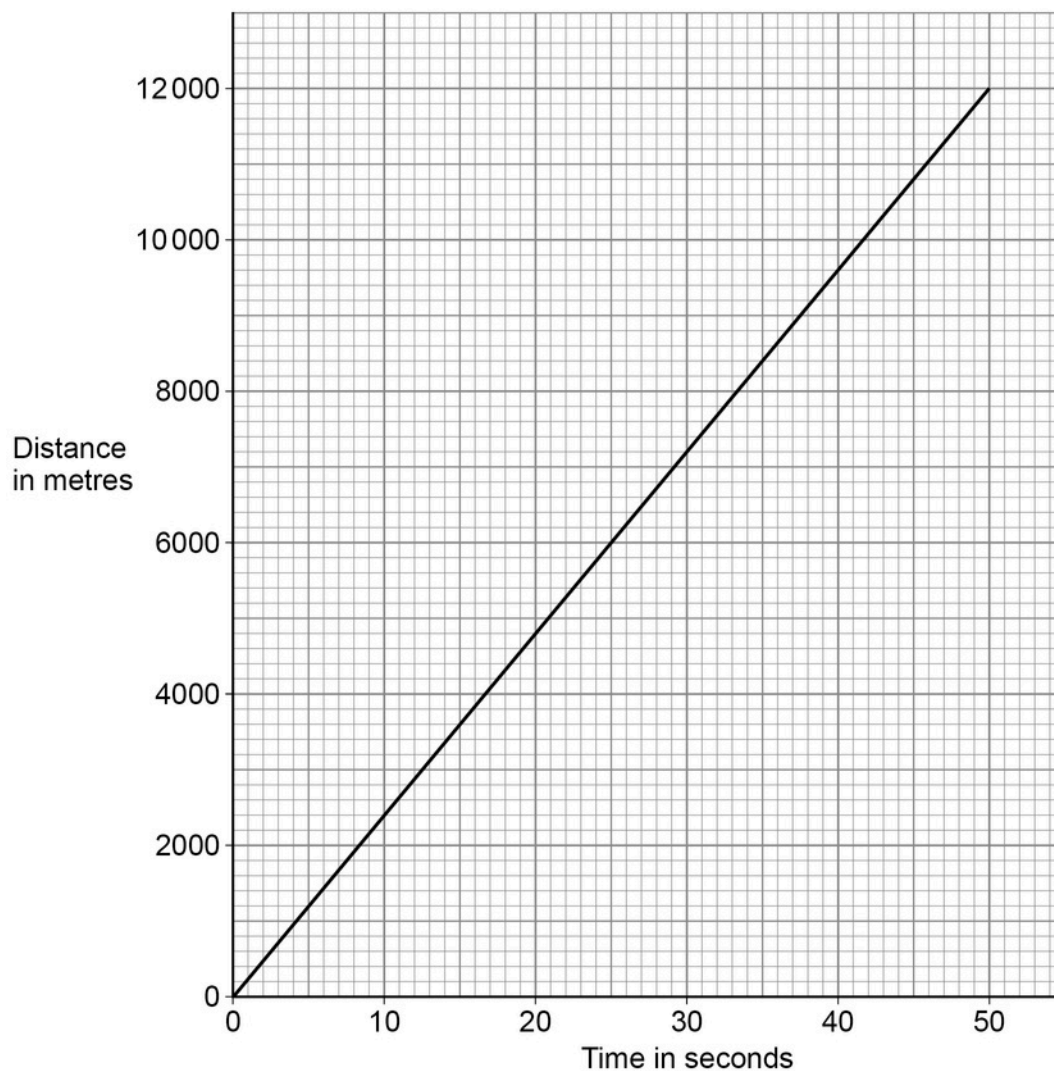
[2 marks]

an equal force from the air pushes on the engine in the opposite direction

0 7 3

Figure 12 shows a distance-time graph for the aircraft.

Figure 12



Determine the speed of the aircraft.

[3 marks]

correct value for distance and corresponding time
(eg 12 000 m and 50 s)

$v = \text{their change in distance} / \text{their change in time}$

speed = 240 (m/s)

Speed = 240 m/s

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0 7 4

Write down the equation that links acceleration (a), change in velocity (Δv) and time taken (t).

[1 mark]

$$\text{acceleration} = \text{change in velocity} / \text{time taken}$$

$$a = \Delta v / t$$

0 7 5

At a different stage of the flight, the aircraft was travelling at a velocity of 250 m/s.

The aircraft then decelerated at 0.14 m/s².

Calculate the time taken for the aircraft to decelerate from 250 m/s to 68 m/s.

[4 marks]

$$250 - 68 = 182$$

$$0.14 = \frac{182}{t}$$

$$t = 0.14 \times 182$$

$$t = 1300 \text{ s}$$

Time = 1300 s

0 7 6

Write down the equation that links distance (s), force (F) and work done (W).

[1 mark]

work done = force \times distance

$$W = F s$$

0 7 7

When the aircraft landed, it travelled 2000 m before stopping.

The work done to stop the aircraft was 140 000 000 J.

Calculate the mean force used to stop the aircraft.

[3 marks]

$$140\,000\,000 = \text{force} \times 2000$$

$$\text{force} = \frac{140\,000\,000}{2000}$$

$$= 70\,000\text{ N}$$

$$\text{Mean force} = 70000 \text{ N}$$

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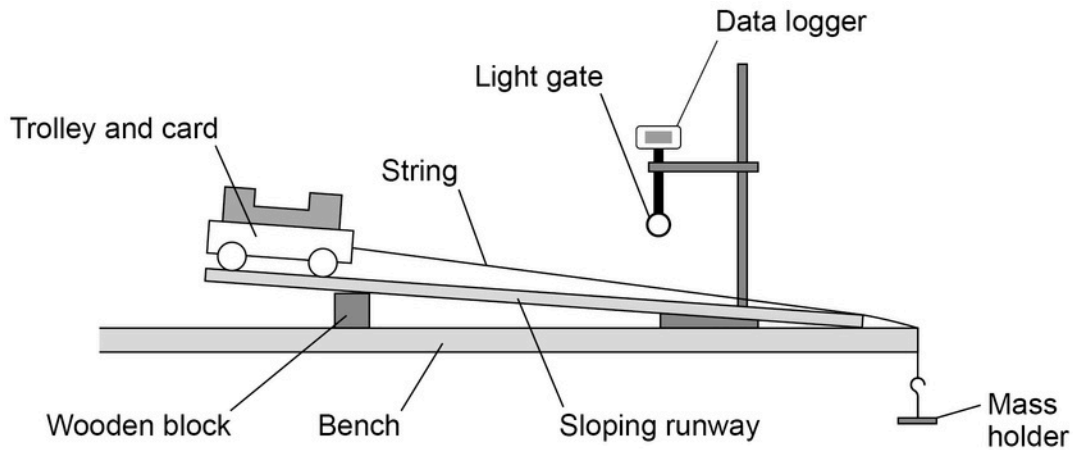
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0 8

A student investigated the acceleration of a trolley.

Figure 13 shows how the student set up the apparatus.

Figure 13



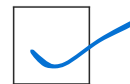
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Before attaching the mass holder the student placed the trolley at the top of the runway. The trolley rolled down the runway without being pushed.

What change to the apparatus in Figure 13 could be made to prevent the trolley from starting to roll down the runway?
Tick (✓) one box.

[1 mark]

Move the wooden block to the left.



Shorten the length of the runway.



Use a taller wooden block.



0 8 2

The student attached the mass holder to the string.

The string rubbed along the edge of the bench as the mass holder fell to the floor.

Suggest what the student could do to prevent the string from rubbing.

[1 mark]

use a pulley on the edge of the bench

The light gate and data logger were used to determine the acceleration of the trolley.

The student increased the resultant force on the trolley and recorded the acceleration of the trolley.

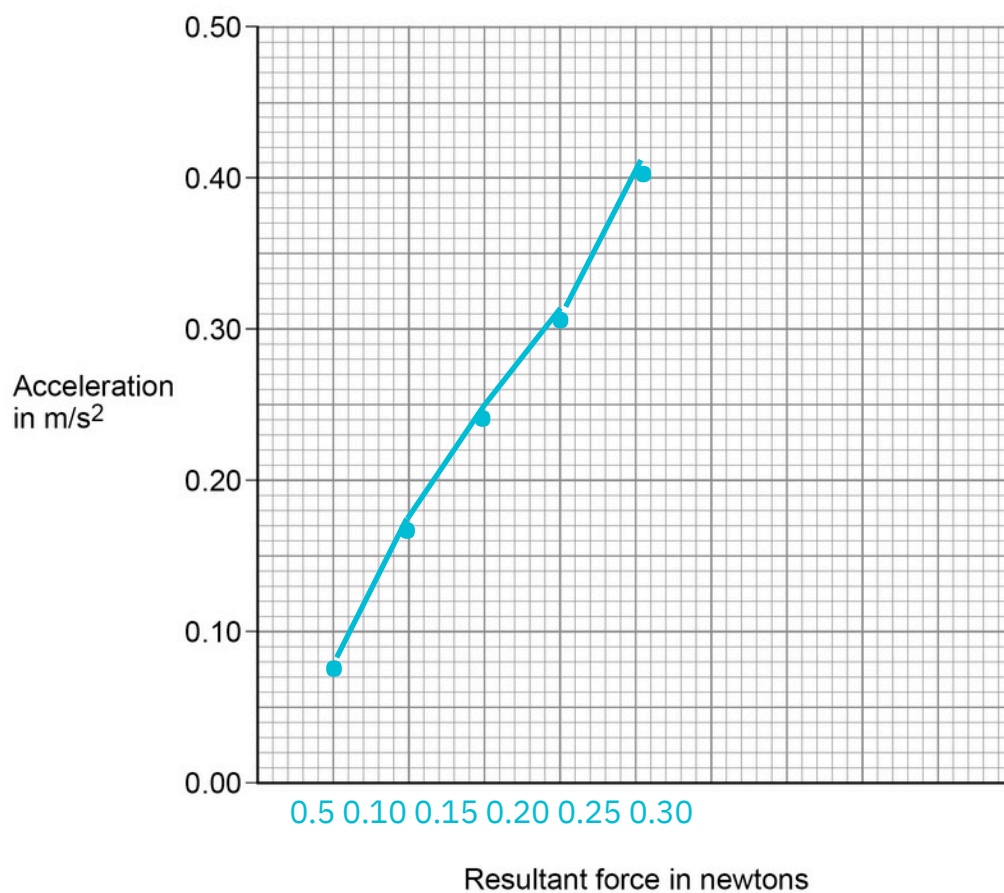
Table 4 shows the results.

Table 4

Resultant force in newtons	Acceleration in m/s^2
0.05	0.08
0.10	0.18
0.15	0.25
0.20	0.32
0.25	0.41

Figure 14 is an incomplete graph of the results.

Figure 14



0 8 3

Complete Figure 14.

- Choose a suitable scale for the x-axis.
- Plot the results.
- Draw a line of best fit.

[4 marks]

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0 8 4

Describe the relationship between the resultant force on the trolley and the acceleration of the trolley.

[1 mark]

directly proportional

0 8 5

Describe how the investigation could be improved to reduce the effect of random errors.

[2 marks]

repeat the investigation.

ignore anomalies and calculate the mean.

0 8 6

Write down the equation that links acceleration (a), mass (m) and resultant force (F).

[1 mark]

resultant force = mass \times acceleration

$$F = m a$$

0 8 7

The resultant force on the trolley was 0.375 N.

The mass of the trolley was 0.60 kg.

Calculate the acceleration of the trolley.

Give your answer to 2 significant figures.

[4 marks]

$$0.375 = 0.60 \times a$$

$$a = \frac{0.375}{0.60}$$

$$a = 0.625 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Acceleration (2 significant figures) = 0.63 m/s²

14

0 9 1

Complete the sentences.

[2 marks]

The Sun is a stable star. This is because the forces pulling inwards caused by

force of gravity are in equilibrium with the forces pushing out

by the energy released by nuclear fusion.

0 9 2

Write down the equation that links distance travelled (s), speed (v) and time (t).

[1 mark]

distance = speed \times time

$s = vt$

0 9 3

The mean distance between the Sun and the Earth is 1.5×10^{11} m.

Light travels at a speed of 3.0×10^8 m/s.

Calculate the time taken for light from the Sun to reach the Earth.

[3 marks]

$$1.5 \times 10^{11} = 3.0 \times 10^8 \times t$$

$$t = \frac{1.5 \times 10^{11}}{3.0 \times 10^8}$$

Time = 500 s

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0 9 4

Some stars are much more massive than the Sun.

Describe the life cycle of stars much more massive than the Sun, including the formation of new elements.

[6 marks]

- fusion processes in stars produce new elements
- cloud of gas and dust OR nebula
- pulled together by gravity
- causing increasing temperature to start the fusion process
- to become a protostar
- hydrogen nuclei fuse to form helium nuclei
- and the star becomes main sequence
- hydrogen begins to run out
- helium nuclei fuse to make heavier elements
- up to iron
- the star expands to become a red super giant
- the star collapses rapidly and explodes called a supernova
- creating elements heavier than iron and distributing them throughout the universe
- leaving behind a neutron star or a black hole.

0 9 5

Stars emit radiation with a range of wavelengths.

Which property of a star does the range of wavelengths depend on?

[1 mark]

Tick (☐) one box.

Density

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Mass

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Temperature

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Volume

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