

GCE

Physics B

H157/01: Foundations of physics

AS Level

Mark Scheme for June 2022

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Mark schemes should be read in conjunction with the published question papers and the report on the examination.

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MARKING INSTRUCTIONS

PREPARATION FOR MARKING

RM ASSESSOR

- 1. Make sure that you have accessed and completed the relevant training packages for on-screen marking: *RM Assessor Online Training*; *OCR Essential Guide to Marking*.
- 2. Make sure that you have read and understood the mark scheme and the question paper for this unit.
- 3. Log-in to RM Assessor and mark the required number of practice responses ("scripts") and the required number of standardisation responses.

MARKING

- 1. Mark strictly to the mark scheme.
- 2. Marks awarded must relate directly to the marking criteria.
- 3. The schedule of dates is very important. It is essential that you meet the RM Assessor 50% and 100% (traditional 40% Batch 1 and 100% Batch 2) deadlines. If you experience problems, you must contact your Team Leader (Supervisor) without delay.
- 4. If you are in any doubt about applying the mark scheme, consult your Team Leader via the RM Assessor messaging system in the first instance.

5. Crossed Out Responses

Where a candidate has crossed out a response and provided a clear alternative then the crossed out response is not marked. Where no alternative response has been provided, examiners may give candidates the benefit of the doubt and mark the crossed out response where legible.

Multiple Choice Question Responses

When a multiple choice question has only a single, correct response and a candidate provides two responses (even if one of these responses is correct), then no mark should be awarded (as it is not possible to determine which was the first response selected by the candidate). When a question requires candidates to select more than one option/multiple options, then local marking arrangements need to ensure consistency of approach.

Contradictory Responses

When a candidate provides contradictory responses, then no mark should be awarded, even if one of the answers is correct.

Short Answer Questions (requiring only a list by way of a response, usually worth only one mark per response)

Where candidates are required to provide a set number of short answer responses then only the set number of responses should be marked. The response space should be marked from left to right on each line and then line by line until the required number of responses have been considered. The remaining responses should not then be marked. Examiners will have to apply judgement as to whether a 'second response' on a line is a development of the 'first response', rather than a separate, discrete response. (The underlying assumption is that the candidate is attempting to hedge their bets and therefore getting undue benefit rather than engaging with the question and giving the most relevant/correct responses.)

Short Answer Questions (requiring a more developed response, worth two or more marks)

If the candidates are required to provide a description of, say, three items or factors and four items or factors are provided, then mark on a similar basis – that is downwards (as it is unlikely in this situation that a candidate will provide more than one response in each section of the response space.)

Longer Answer Questions (requiring a developed response)

Where candidates have provided two (or more) responses to a medium or high tariff question which only required a single (developed) response and not crossed out the first response, then only the first response should be marked. Examiners will need to apply professional judgement as to whether the second (or a subsequent) response is a 'new start' or simply a poorly expressed continuation of the first response.

On each blank page a "seen" annotation must be inserted to confirm that the page has been checked. For additional objects (if present), a "seen" annotation must be inserted on each page to confirm that it has been checked.
 Always check the pages (and additional objects if present) at the end of the response in case any answers have been continued there.

7. Award No Response (NR) if:

• there is nothing written in the answer space

Award Zero '0' if:

• anything is written in the answer space and is not worthy of credit (this includes text and symbols).

Team Leaders must confirm the correct use of the NR button with their markers before live marking commences and should check this when reviewing scripts.

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8. The RM Assessor **comments box** is used by the Principal Examiner or your Team Leader to explain the marking of the practice responses. Please refer to these comments when checking your practice responses. **Do not use the comments box for any other reason.**

If you have any questions or comments for your team leader, use the RM Assessor messaging system.

9. Assistant Examiners will send a brief report on the performance of candidates to their Team Leader (Supervisor) via email by the end of the marking period. The report should contain notes on particular strengths displayed as well as common errors or weaknesses. Constructive criticism of the question paper/mark scheme is also appreciated.

10. Level of response (LoR)

Read through the whole answer from start to finish, concentrating on features that make it a stronger or weaker answer using the indicative scientific content as guidance. The indicative scientific content indicates the expected parameters for candidates' answers, but be prepared to recognise and credit unexpected approaches where they show relevance.

Using a 'best-fit' approach based on the science content of the answer, first decide which set of level descriptors, Level 1 (L1), Level 2 (L2) or Level 3 (L3), **best** describes the overall quality of the answer using the guidelines described in the level descriptors in the mark scheme.

Once the level is located, award the higher or lower mark. For the higher m	ark use just the level annotation, e.g. for 6 marks use L3. For the lower
mark use the level annotation with one mark omitted, e.g. for 5 marks use	

The higher mark should be awarded where the level descriptor has been evidenced and all aspects of the communication statement (in italics) have been met. The lower mark should be awarded where the level descriptor has been evidenced but aspects of the communication statement (in italics) are missing.

In summary:

- the **science** content determines the **level**
- the communication statement determines the mark within a level.

Level of response questions on this paper are X and Y

11. Annotations available in RM Assessor

Annotation	Meaning
BOD	Benefit of doubt given
CON	Contradiction
×	Incorrect response
ECF	Error carried forward
LI	Level 1
L2	Level 2
L3	Level 3
TE	Transcription error
NBOD	Benefit of doubt not given
POT	Power of 10 error
^	Omission mark
SF	Error in number of significant figures
√	Correct response
?	Wrong physics or equation

12. Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed Mark Scheme (to include abbreviations and subject-specific conventions).

Annotation	Meaning				
/	alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point				
reject	Answers which are not worthy of credit				
not	Answers which are not worthy of credit				
Ignore	Statements which are irrelevant				
Allow	Answers that can be accepted				
()	Words which are not essential to gain credit				
	Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark				
ECF	Error carried forward				
AW	Alternative wording				
ORA	Or reverse argument				

Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
1	D	1	
2	Α	1	
3	Α	1	
4	Α	1	
5	C	1	
6	D	1	
7	D	1	
8	B/C	1	
9	D	1	
10	В	1	
11	D	1	
12	Α	1	
13	Α	1	
14	D	1	
15	C	1	
16	В	1	
17	C	1	
18	В	1	
19	В	1	
20	В	1	
	Total	20	

C	Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
21	(a)	amp(ere)	1	Not just A. Condone spelling errors if clear.
21	(b)	Resistance (= $24 + 36$) = $60 (k\Omega)$ I = V/R = $12 / 60$	1	Addition of resistances inferred from 60
		= 0.2 (mA)	1	0.2 scores 2 marks
21	(c)	(Because when temperature increases) resistance (of thermistor) decreases so current increases (and reading increases)	1 1	Allow circuit resistance decreases Second mark needs to refer to current not just ammeter reading. Allow current reading increases.
		TOTAL	5	

C	Questio	n	Answer	Mark	Guidance
22	(a)		(5 + 1.5 =) 6.5 (N)	1	Not 1sf answer of 7.
22	(b)		substitution $\sqrt{[1.5^2 + 5.8^2]} (=\sqrt{35.89})$ = 6.0 (N)	1	Allow 1sf answer of 6.
22	(c)		increase in magnitude closer to vertical / angle to vertical decreases / closer to W / more straight down	1	Allow increase in vertical component if clear that it is the vertical component of tension. Penalise incorrect changes in other forces. Ignore any references to horizontal component of tension Ignore references to clockwise/anticlockwise rotation
			TOTAL	5	

0	Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
23	(a)	negative gradient of decreasing magnitude	1	Must not be horizontal or vertical or straight for more than final 1/3 rd of either axis. Expect curve approximating 1/r ² relationship.
		Curve of negative gradient of decreasing magnitude which doesn't touch either axis	1	Do not penalise horizontal, vertical or straight sections in the second mark
				thickness radius
23	(b)	$t = V / \pi r^2$ (in any form)	1	Can be implied from a calculation.
		Unit conversion of $r = 20$ cm and $V = 0.05$ mm ³	1	To give $r = 0.2$ m and $V = 0.05 \times 10^{-9}$ mm ³
		$= 4 \times 10^{-10} (m)$	1	(3.98 x 10 ⁻¹⁰) allow one or both missing or incorrect unit conversions for final mark
		TOTAL	5	

C	Questio	n	Answer	Mark	Guidance
24	(a)		Number of complete waves / cycles (emitted) /oscillations in 1s / per second	1	Allow number of waves passing a point per second
24	(b)		250 (mV)	1	
24	(c)	i	Identification of correct time period e.g T = 0.44 (s) Calculation leading to 2.3 Hz e.g. f = $1/T = 2.3$ (Hz)	1	Allow 0.43 Allow one mark for use of 0.45 leading to 2.2 Hz or 0.42 leading to 2.4 Hz. No marks for values outside of these.
24	(c)	ii	increases	1	Ignore comments about rate of change of frequency
			TOTAL	5	

C	Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
25	(a)	(2 ⁸ =) 256	1	
25	(b)	1798 x 2117 x 8 = 30.5 x 10 ⁶ bits	1	Accept 0.54s obtained by using 1024 ² for M
		30.5 / 54 = 0.56 (s)	1	Allow 1 mark for 0.070s (for missing x8) Allow 1 mark for 18s (for multiplying x256)
25	(C)	Estimate of virus size on paper = 1.3 cm	1	Allow range 1.1 to 1.5 cm
		Using width of image as 4.5 cm gives $4.5 / 1798 = 0.0025$ cm pixel ⁻¹ OR Using height of image = 5.3 cm gives $5.3 / 2117 = 0.0025$ cm pixel ⁻¹	1	Allow range 4.4 to 4.6cm OR 1798 / 4.5 = 400 pixel cm ⁻¹ Allow range 5.2 to 5.4cm OR 2117 / 5.3 = 400 pixel cm ⁻¹
		Size of virus = $100 \times 10^{-9} = /1.3 \text{ m} = 7.69 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}$	1	
		Resolution = $0.0025 \times 7.69 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m} = 1.9 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$ pixel ⁻¹	1	Final mark only awarded if quoted to 2sf.
		Alternative method: Width of image (approximately) 3.5 virus widths OR height of image (approximately) 4.1 viruses	(1)	Allow 3.2- 3.8 Allow 3.8 - 4.4
		Width of image = $3.5 \times 100 \text{ nm} = 350 \text{ nm}$ OR height of image = $4.1 \times 100 \text{ nm} = 410 \text{ nm}$	(1)	320 nm – 380 nm
		= 350 (nm) / 1798 (pixels) OR 410 (nm) / 2117 (pixels)	(1)	500 1111 - 440 1111
		= 1.9 x 10 ⁻¹⁰ m per pixel	(1)	Final mark only awarded if quoted to 2sf.

0	Question		Answer		Guidance
25	(d)		Any TWO of: Adjust brightness Adjust contrast Reduce noise False colour Edge detection	2	Apply the following: if more than two statements given, mark first two statements only. Ignore any irrelevant statements. Allow correct descriptions of how these methods would enhance the image even if the term is loose. Do not allow smoothing unless linked to reduction of noise
			TOTAL	9	

C	Question		Answer	Mark	Guidance
26	(a)		LED (striking voltage, single frequency) No photons until a certain (striking) voltage Single frequency / photons all have same energy	1 1 1	Allow same colour
			OR Line spectra Only certain frequencies observed Correspond to transitions between (discrete/quantised) energy levels	(1) (1) (1)	
			OR Fluorescence Photons of a particular frequency/energy Emitted when electrons move down energy levels	(1) (1) (1)	Not quanta/energy packets for photons
			OR Photographic film exposure Due to arrival of photons Brightness of image due to probability of arrival of photons Allow other correct alternatives	(1) (1) (1)	Not quanta/energy packets for photons
26	(b)		$f = 3.0 \times 10^{8} / 270 \times 10^{-9} \text{ Hz}$ = 1.1 × 10 ¹⁵ Hz h = E/f = 6.9 × 10 ⁻¹⁹ / 1.11 × 10 ¹⁵	1	Evaluation of frequency or implied in later calculation
			= 6.2 x 10 ⁻³⁴ Js	1	Allow 6.3 for use of rounded 1.1 x 10 ¹⁵

C	Questio	Answer	Mark	Guidance
26	(c)	(It has) light and dark regions /constructive and destructive interference showing there is a different probability of arrival of quanta / quanta from different paths have (add with) different phases	1	Interference alone not sufficient Allow electrons behave as waves for second mark, but only if correctly linked to 1 st mark
		TOTAL	8	

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Question		n	Answer	Mark	Guidance
27	(a)		Line of best fit added to graph	1	Judge by eye
			Gradient triangle covering > half the range	1	Or implied by calculation (eg from two data points)
			k = (0.0129 – 0.008)/5 = 98 ± 6 Nm ⁻¹	1	Allow k between 92 and 104 Nm ⁻¹ Bare answer within range only scores 1 only Allow k in N cm ⁻¹ only if unit changed on paper Allow use of g as 9.81 or 10 N kg ⁻¹
27	(b)		Any one of: Don't start the graph at y=0 Measure extension not spring length plot with error bars	1	Not "draw line of best fit" Not explanations which alter the results e.g. more readings
27	(c)	i	Calculation of mean height = 59 cm	1	
			GPE = (mgh) = 0.0516 x 9.81 x 0.59 ✓	1	Allow calculation with any maximum height value
			= 0.30 J	1	0.65m gives 0.33J (2/3) Apply a maximum of 1 POT error throughout.
27	(c)	ii	Too low	1	
			Not all the energy in the spring will become GPE	1	Allow there will be some energy losses / named specific energy loss. Do not allow responses in terms of efficiency or resistive forces unless linked to loss of energy. Condone use of $g = 10 \text{ N kg}^{-1}$ Allow compression is greater initially than at the point of launch

Question			Answer	Mark	Guidance
27	(c)	iii	Height measurements have largest uncertainty / mass uncertainty would be very small with a more precise balance	1	Allow discussion of decimal places of measurements for first mark
			Final uncertainty limited by this / not reduced appreciably by very precise measurement of mass	1	
27	(c)	iv	Too few measurements Not a clear pattern	2	Allow argument based on longer time does not change energy stored (so does not change height) Allow use of 2 or more data sets to show the pattern is not consistent.
			TOTAL	13	

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