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- 1 (a) 2nd row random, 3rd row neither, 4th row systematic all correct
two correct scores 1 only B2 [2]
- (b) (i) 1. systematic error: the average / peak is not the true value / the readings are not centred around the true value B1 [1]
2. random error: readings have positive and negative values around the peak value / values are scattered / wide range B1 [1]
- (ii) 1. accurate: peak / average value moves towards the true value B1 [1]
2. precise: lines are closer together / sharper peak B1 [1]
- 2 (a) resultant moment = zero / sum of clockwise moments = sum of anticlockwise moments
resultant force = 0 B1
B1 [2]
- (b) shape and orientation correct and forces labelled and arrows correct
angles correct / labelled M1
A1 [2]
- (c) (i) $T \cos 18^\circ = W$ Scale diagram: C1
 $T = 520 / \cos 18^\circ = 547 \text{ N}$ $\pm 20 \text{ N}$ A1 [2]
- (ii) $R = T \sin 18^\circ$
 $= 169 \text{ N}$ $\pm 20 \text{ N}$ A1 [1]
- (d) θ is larger hence $\cos \theta$ is smaller, $T = W / \cos \theta$
hence T is larger M1
A0 [1]
- 3 (a) weight = $m \times g$
 $= 130.5 \times 9.81 = 1280 \text{ N}$ A1 [1]
- (b) (i) $F = ma$
 $T - 1280 = 130.5 \times 0.57$ C1
 $T = 1280 + 74.4 = 1350 \text{ N}$ A1 [2]
- (ii) 1280 N A1 [1]
- (c) $1240 - 1280 = 130.5 \times a$ C1
 $a = (-) 0.31 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ A1 [2]
- (d) (i) 1. 3.5 s A1 [1]
2. 6.5 s A1 [1]

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- (ii) basic shape
correct points M1
A1 [2]
- 4 (a) force is proportional to extension B1 [1]
- (b) (i) gradient of graph determined (e.g. $50 / 40 \times 10^{-3}$) = 1250 N m^{-1} A1 [1]
- (ii) $W = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$ or $W = \frac{1}{2}$ final force \times extension M1
 $= 0.5 \times 1250 \times (36 \times 10^{-3})^2$ or $0.5 \times 45 \times 36 \times 10^{-3}$ M1
 $= 0.81 \text{ J}$ A0 [2]
- (c) (i) $0.81 = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$ C1
 $v = 8.0 (8.0498) \text{ m s}^{-1}$ A1 [2]
- (ii) $4 \times \text{KE} / 4 \times \text{WD}$ or 3.24 J C1
hence twice the compression = 72 mm A1 [2]
- (iii) Max height is when all KE or WD
or elastic PE is converted to GPE C1
ratio = $1/4$ or 0.25 A1 [2]
- 5 (a) (i) Start from (0,0) and smooth curve in correct direction B1
Curve correct for end section never horizontal B1 [2]
- (ii) $R = V / I$ hence take co-ords of V and I from graph and calculate V / I B1 [1]
- (b) (i) each lamp in parallel has a greater p.d. / greater current M1
lamp hotter M1
resistance of lamps in parallel greater A1 [3]
- (ii) $P = V^2 / R$ or $P = VI$ and $V = IR$ C1
 $R = 144 / 50 = 2.88$ for each lamp C1
total $R = 1.44 \Omega$ A1 [3]
- 6 (a) (i) amplitude = 7.6 mm allow 7.5 mm A1 [1]
- (ii) $180^\circ / \pi$ rad A1 [1]
- (iii) $v = f \times \lambda$
 $= 15 \times 0.8$ C1
 $= 12 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ A1 [2]
- (b) correct sketch with peak moved to the right B1
curve moved by the correct phase angle / time period of $0.25 T$ B1 [2]
- (c) (i) zero (rad) A1 [1]
- (ii) antinode maximum amplitude,
node zero amplitude / displacement A1 [1]

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- (iii) 3 A1 [1]
- (iv) horizontal line through central section of wave B1 [1]
- 7 (a) density in solids and liquids similar M1
spacing in solids and liquids about the same A1
density in gases much less as spacing in gases much greater B1 [3]
- (b) density = mass / volume C1
mass = 1.67×10^{-27} kg and volume = $\frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$ C1
density = $(1.67 \times 10^{-27}) / \frac{4}{3} \times \pi \times (1.0 \times 10^{-15})^3$
= 3.99×10^{17} kg m⁻³ A1 [3]
- (c) atoms / molecules composed of large amount of empty space / nucleus has very small volume compared to volume of atom / space between atoms in a gas is very large B1 [1]