

CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL EXAMINATIONS

Cambridge International Advanced Subsidiary and Advanced Level

MARK SCHEME for the October/November 2015 series

9702 PHYSICS

9702/23

Paper 2 (AS Structured Questions), maximum raw mark 60

This mark scheme is published as an aid to teachers and candidates, to indicate the requirements of the examination. It shows the basis on which Examiners were instructed to award marks. It does not indicate the details of the discussions that took place at an Examiners' meeting before marking began, which would have considered the acceptability of alternative answers.

Mark schemes should be read in conjunction with the question paper and the Principal Examiner Report for Teachers.

Cambridge will not enter into discussions about these mark schemes.

Cambridge is publishing the mark schemes for the October/November 2015 series for most Cambridge IGCSE[®], Cambridge International A and AS Level components and some Cambridge O Level components.

Page 2	Mark Scheme	Syllabus	Paper
	Cambridge International AS/A Level – October/November 2015	9702	23

- 1 (a) energy or W : $\text{kg m}^2 \text{s}^{-2}$
or
power or P : $\text{kg m}^2 \text{s}^{-3}$ M1
- intensity or I : $\text{kg m}^2 \text{s}^{-2} \text{m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ (from use of energy expression)
or
 $\text{kg m}^2 \text{s}^{-3} \text{m}^{-2}$ (from use of power expression)
- indication of simplification to kg s^{-3} A1 [2]
- (b) (i) ρ : kg m^{-3} , c : m s^{-1} , f : s^{-1} , x_0 : m M1
- substitution of terms in an appropriate equation and simplification to show K has no units A1 [2]
- (ii) $I = 20 \times 1.2 \times 330 \times (260)^2 \times (0.24 \times 10^{-9})^2$ C1
- $= 3.1 \times 10^{-11} (\text{W m}^{-2})$ C1
- $= 31 (30.8) \text{ pW m}^{-2}$ A1 [3]
- 2 (a) (i) (the loudspeakers) are connected to the same signal generator B1 [1]
- (ii) 1. the waves (that overlap) have phase difference of zero or path difference of zero and so
either constructive interference
or displacement larger B1 [1]
2. the waves (that overlap) have phase difference of $(n + \frac{1}{2}) \times 360^\circ$ or $(n + \frac{1}{2}) \times 2\pi$ rad or path difference of $(n + \frac{1}{2})\lambda$ and so
either destructive interference
or displacements cancel/smaller B1 [1]
3. the waves (that overlap) are in phase or have phase difference of $n360^\circ$ or $2\pi n$ rad or path difference of $n\lambda$ and so
either constructive interference
or displacement larger B1 [1]
- (b) time period = 0.002 s or 2 ms C1
- wave drawn is half time period B1
- amplitude 1.0 cm (same as Fig. 2.2) B1 [3]

Page 3	Mark Scheme	Syllabus	Paper
	Cambridge International AS/A Level – October/November 2015	9702	23

- 3 (a) (i) 1. $s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$
- $192 = \frac{1}{2} \times 9.81 \times t^2$ C1
- $t = 6.3$ (6.26) s A1 [2]
2. $\max E_k (= mgh) = 0.27 \times 9.81 \times 192$ C1
- or**
- calculation of v ($= 61.4$) and use of $E_k (= \frac{1}{2}mv^2) = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.27 \times (61.4)^2$ (C1)
- $\max E_k = 510$ (509) J A1 [2]
- (ii) velocity is proportional to time **or** velocity increases at a constant rate
as acceleration is constant **or** resultant force is constant B1 [1]
- (iii) use of $v = at$ or $v^2 = 2as$ or $E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ to give $v = 61(.4)\text{ms}^{-1}$ B1 [1]
- (b) (i) R increases with velocity B1
resultant force is $mg - R$ **or** resultant force decreases B1
acceleration decreases B1 [3]
- (ii) at $v = 40\text{ms}^{-1}$, $R = 0.6$ (N) C1
- $0.27 \times 9.8 - 0.6 = 0.27 \times a$
- $a = 7.6$ (7.58) ms^{-2} A1 [2]
- (iii) $R =$ weight for terminal velocity B1
- either* weight requires velocity to be about 80ms^{-1}
or at 60ms^{-1} , R is less than weight
so does not reach terminal velocity B1 [2]
- 4 (a) (i) reaction/vertical force = weight $- P \cos 60^\circ$ C1
 $= 180 - 35 \cos 60^\circ$
 $= 160$ (163) N A1 [2]
- (ii) work done = $35 \sin 60^\circ \times 20$ C1
 $= 610$ (606) J A1 [2]

Page 4	Mark Scheme	Syllabus	Paper
	Cambridge International AS/A Level – October/November 2015	9702	23

- (b) (i) work done by force P = work done against frictional force B1 [1]
- (ii) horizontal component of P is equal and opposite to frictional force B1
- vertical component of P + normal reaction force equal and opposite to weight B1 [2]
- 5 (a) (i) resistance = V/I B1
- very high/infinite resistance at low voltages B1
- resistance decreases as V increases B1 [3]
- (ii) p.d. from graph 0.50 (V) C1
- resistance = $0.5/(4.4 \times 10^{-3})$
- = 110 (114) Ω A1 [2]
- (b) (i) current (= $1.2/375$) = 3.2×10^{-3} A A1 [1]
- (ii) current in diode = 4.4×10^{-3} (A)
- total resistance = $1.2/4.4 \times 10^{-3} = 272.7$ (Ω) C1
- resistance of R_1 = $272.7 - 113.6 = 160$ (159) Ω A1
- or
- p.d. across diode = 0.5 V and p.d. across R_1 = 0.7 V (C1)
- resistance of R_1 = $0.7/4.4 \times 10^{-3}$
- = 160 (159) Ω (A1) [2]
- (iii) power = IV or I^2R or V^2/R C1
- ratio = $(4.4 \times 0.5)/(3.2 \times 1.2)$
- or $[(4.4)^2 \times 114]/[(3.2)^2 \times 375]$
- or $[(0.5)^2 \times 375]/[114 \times (1.2)^2]$
- = 0.57 A1 [2]
- 6 (a) waves from loudspeaker (travel down tube and) are reflected at closed end B1
- two waves (travelling) in opposite directions with same frequency/wavelength overlap B1 [2]
- (b) (i) 0.51 m A1
- 0.85 m A1 [2]
- (ii) A at open end, N at closed end, with an N and A in between, equally spaced (by eye) B1 [1]

Page 5	Mark Scheme	Syllabus	Paper
	Cambridge International AS/A Level – October/November 2015	9702	23

- 7 (a) stress or $\sigma = F/A$ C1
max. tension = UTS $\times A = 4.5 \times 10^8 \times 15 \times 10^{-6} = 6800$ (6750) N A1 [2]
- (b) $\rho = m/V$ C1
weight = $mg = \rho Vg = \rho ALg$
 $6750 = 7.8 \times 10^3 \times 15 \times 10^{-6} \times L \times 9.81$ C1
 $L = 5.9$ (5.88) $\times 10^3$ m A1
- or
maximum mass = $6750/9.81 = 688$ kg (C1)
mass per unit length = $\rho A = 0.117$ kg m⁻¹ (C1)
 $L = 688/0.117 = 5.9 \times 10^3$ m (A1)
- or
maximum mass = $6750/9.81 = 688$ kg (C1)
volume = $m/\rho = 0.0882$ m³ = LA (C1)
 $L = 0.0882/15 \times 10^{-6} = 5.9 \times 10^3$ m (A1) [3]
- 8 (a) mass-energy
proton number or charge
nucleon number B2 [2]
- (b) (i) $E_k = \frac{1}{2} mv^2$ and $p = mv$ with working leading to
[via $E_k = \frac{1}{2} m^2 v^2 / m$ or $\frac{1}{2} m(p/m)^2$]
to $E_k = \frac{p^2}{2m}$ B1 [1]
- (ii) $p = (2E_k m)^{1/2}$ hence $(2[E_k m]_\alpha)^{1/2} = (2[E_k m]_{Th})^{1/2}$ C1
 $2 \times [E_k]_{Th} \times 234 = 2 \times 6.69 \times 10^{-13} \times 4$ C1
 $[E_k]_{Th} = 1.14 \times 10^{-14}$ J
= 71(.5) keV A1
- or
calculation of speed of α -particle = 1.42×10^7 m s⁻¹
calculation of momentum of α -particle/nucleus = 9.43×10^{-20} N s (C1)
 $[E_k]_{Th} = 1.14 \times 10^{-14}$ J (C1)
= 71(.5) keV (A1) [3]