

## 2023 H2 Prelim Paper 1 Solutions:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
D	D	B	B	A	A	C	D	D	C
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
D	D	B	B	D	B	A	A	D	B
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
B	A	A	A	C	C	B	C	A	D

1 D

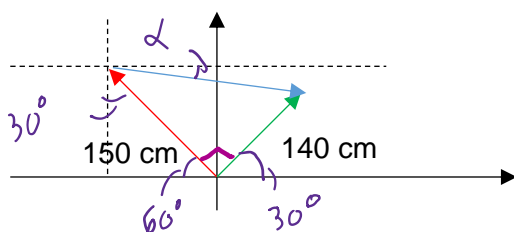
$$v = \frac{s}{t} = \frac{(385 - 115)}{(3.50 - 1.50)} = \frac{270}{2.00} = 135 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$$

$$\frac{\Delta v}{v} = \frac{\Delta s}{s} + \frac{\Delta t}{t}$$

$$\frac{\Delta v}{135} = \frac{(1+1)}{270} + \frac{(0.02+0.02)}{2.00}$$

$$\Delta v = 3.7 = 4 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$$

2 D



$$\text{Magnitude of 2}^{\text{nd}} \text{ displacement} = \sqrt{150^2 + 140^2} = 205 \text{ cm}$$

At a direction  $\alpha = 90 - 30 - \tan^{-1}(140/150) = 17^\circ$  below x axis or  $343^\circ$  anticlockwise to +x axis

3 B

At  $t = 0 \text{ s}$ ,

$$1.2 \times 10^5 = 2(1.0 \times 10^5) a$$

$$a = 0.60 \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

At  $t = 20 \text{ s}$ ,

$$v = at = 0.60 \times 20 = 12 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

back carriage moves with constant speed of  $12 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , so in another  $20 \text{ s}$ , distance moved  
 $= 12 \times 20 = 240 \text{ m}$

front carriage now has acceleration of  $1.2 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ . In another  $20 \text{ s}$ ,

$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2} at^2$$

$$s = 12(20) + \frac{1}{2}(1.2)(20)^2 = 480 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{distance between front and back carriage} = 480 - 240 = 240 \text{ m}$$

- 4 B Ball A:

$$h = \frac{1}{2}gt^2 \rightarrow \text{time of flight } t = \sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}}$$

$$x_A = (2v)t = 2v\sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}}$$

Ball B:

$$2h = \frac{1}{2}gt^2 \rightarrow \text{time of flight } t = \sqrt{2}\sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}}$$

$$x_B = vt = v\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}}$$

$$\frac{x_A}{x_B} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{1} = 1.41$$

- 5 A Consider the whole system,

$$F - 6f = 6Ma$$

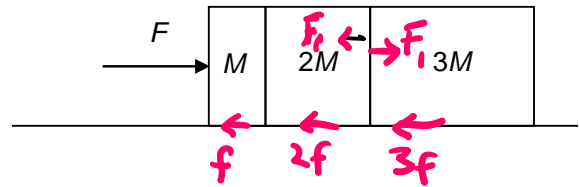
$$a = \frac{F - 6f}{6M}$$

Let the force that 3M acts on 2M be  $F_1$ .

Consider Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> law on 3M,

$$F_1 - 3f = 3Ma$$

$$F_1 = 3M\left(\frac{F - 6f}{6M}\right) + 3f = \frac{F}{2}$$



- 6 A Apply COM to the collision:

$$(5.0)(200) = (5.0 + 95)u$$

$$u = 10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

Apply COE after collision:

$$\frac{1}{2}(100)(10^2) = (100)(9.81)H$$

$$H = 5.1 \text{ m}$$

- 7 C The 3 lines of action of the forces should coincide at a point.

- 8 D For each mass, Tension + Upthrust = Weight  $\Rightarrow$  Tension = Weight - Upthrust

Since rod is horizontal, tension is the same for both P and Q

Upthrust =  $V\rho g$  is greater for P since liquid X is denser.

So weight of P is greater to get the same tension as Q.

- 9 D Let  $T$  be the tension in the string.

For vertical equilibrium of mass,

$$T\cos 30.0^\circ = mg \quad (1)$$

For horizontal circular motion of mass,

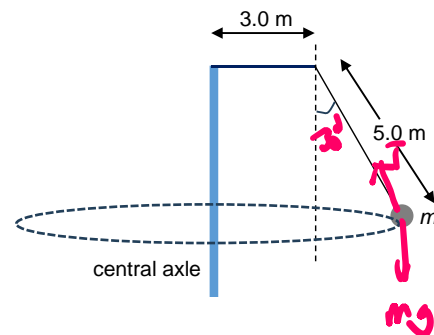
$$T\sin 30.0^\circ = mr\omega^2 \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{(2)}{(1)} \rightarrow \tan 30.0^\circ = r\omega^2/g$$

$$\tan 30.0^\circ = (3.0 + 5.0\sin 30^\circ)\omega^2/9.81$$

$$\omega = 1.01 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Time for one revolution } T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 6.2 \text{ s.}$$



- 10 C Apply Newton 2<sup>nd</sup> law:  
 Along tangent of circular path,  
 $F - mg \sin \theta = 0$   
 Along the radial direction,  
 $T - mg \cos \theta = mr\omega^2$   
 Thus  $T = mr\omega^2 + mg \cos \theta$ , so  $T$  varies with  $\cos \theta$   
 Note: Tension is largest at lowest point and smallest at highest point in a vertical circle.

- 11 D At point P,

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_P &= \left(-\frac{GM}{r/3}\right) + \left(-\frac{GM_B}{2r/3}\right) \\ &= -\frac{G}{r}(3M + 1.5M_B)\end{aligned}$$

At point Q,

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_Q &= \left(-\frac{GM}{2r/3}\right) + \left(-\frac{GM_B}{r/3}\right) \\ &= -\frac{G}{r}(1.5M + 3M_B)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_Q &= 1.25\Phi_P, \text{ so} \\ (1.5M + 3M_B) &= 1.25(3M + 1.5M_B) \\ \Rightarrow M_B &= 2M\end{aligned}$$

- 12 D Consider the forces on the satellite:

$$\frac{GMm}{r^2} = mr\omega^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \omega^2 \propto \frac{1}{r^3}$$

So when  $r$  decreases, both gravitational force on the satellite and its angular velocity increase. So A and B are wrong statements.

Consider the various energies associated with an orbiting satellite:

$$KE = +\frac{GMm}{2r}, \quad GPE = -\frac{GMm}{r}$$

So when radius  $r$  decreases, KE increases while GPE decrease. So only D is correct.

- 13 B

$$10 = \frac{mc\Delta\theta}{t} + h \quad \text{---(1) where } h \text{ is rate of heat loss to surroundings}$$

$$18 = \frac{3mc\Delta\theta}{t} + h \quad \text{---(2) Solving (1) and (2) gives } h = 6.0 \text{ W}$$

- 14 B At constant P,  $V \propto T$ . When cooled, T decreases, so V decreases. Since gas undergoes compression, work is done on the gas.  $W = +ve$

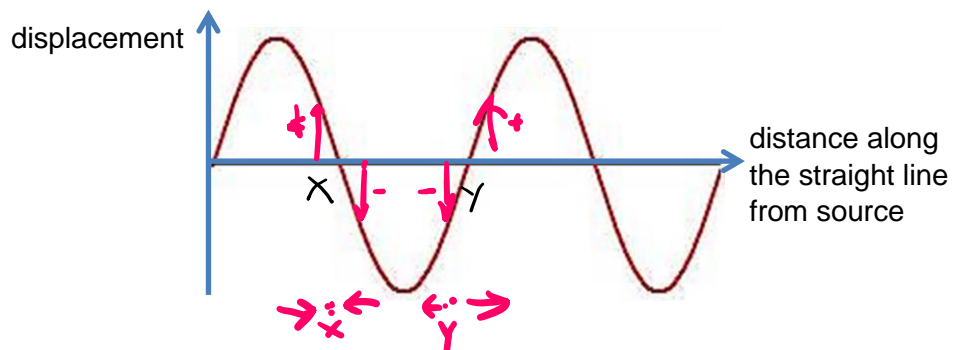
When T decreases,  $\Delta U = -ve$ ,

according to 1<sup>st</sup> law of thermodynamics  $\Delta U = q + W$

$$-ve = q + (+ve) \Rightarrow q \text{ must be } -ve$$

- 15 D Given  $x_0 = 0.030$  m, from graph  $\rightarrow$  period  $T = 2.0$  s  
 $\text{Max } v = x_0 \omega = 0.030 \times (2\pi/2.0) = 0.094 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

- 16 B



At X, the two neighbouring particles are moving towards the particle at X, so it is a compression region. At Y the two neighbouring particles are moving away from the particle at Y.

- 17 A Rayleigh's criteria, minimum angle of resolution  $\theta = \lambda/b$ .  
size of the pupil  $\approx$  slit width  $b$ .  
If  $b$  increases,  $\theta$  decreases.  
(If  $\theta$  is small, images are easily resolved.)
- 18 A When the two polarisers are parallel ( $\theta = 0$ ), the intensity of emergent beam is  $I_0$   
When Q is rotated at angle  $\theta$ , the intensity of emergent beam is reduced by 30%, which means final intensity should be  $0.70I_0$ . Apply Malus Law,  
 $0.70I_0 = I_0 \cos^2 \theta$   
In the first quadrant,  $\theta = 33^\circ$   
In the third quadrant,  $\theta = 180^\circ + 33^\circ = 213^\circ$
- 19 D The electric field within the conductor will be zero (since no net charge/equipotential inside a conductor) while the external regions will still have a uniform electric field pointing from positive to negative plate.

20 B  $R = \rho L / A$ ,  $R = V / I$

$$V/I = \rho L / A$$

$$L = VA / I\rho$$

$$= 240 [\pi(3.0 \times 10^{-4})^2] / (2.0 \times 1.4 \times 10^{-6})$$

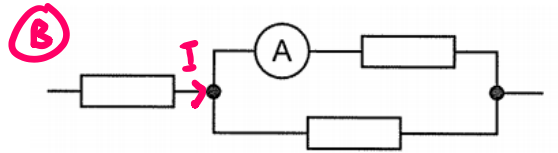
$$= 24 \text{ m}$$

21 B A:  $I_A = V/R$

B:  $I_A = V/3R$

C:  $I_A = V/R$

D:  $I_A = V/2R$



$$V = I(R + R/2) \rightarrow I = \frac{2V}{3R} \rightarrow I_A = \frac{I}{2} = \frac{V}{3R}$$

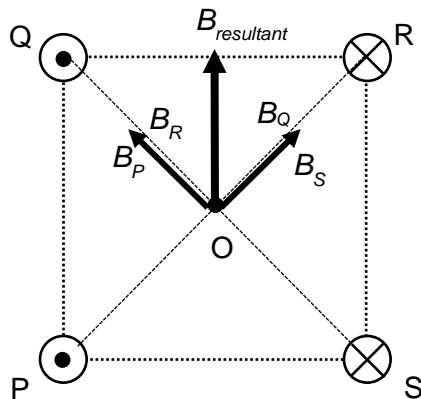
22 A  $V = E - Ir$

When current  $I = 0$ ,  $V = E = 2.5 \text{ V}$

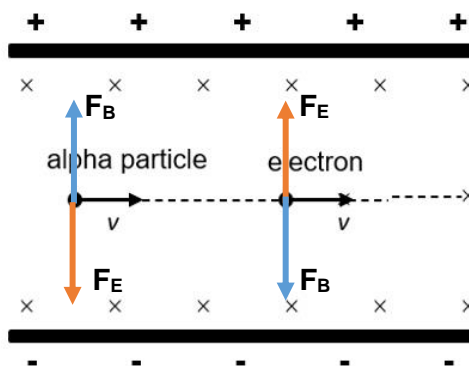
$$0.9 = 2.5 - 0.80 r$$

$$r = 2.0 \, \Omega \text{ or use gradient of graph} = -r$$

- 23 A Apply RH Grip Rule to determine the direction of B-field at O due to the currents flowing in a straight wire at P, Q, R and S respectively. Vector sum of the B fields gives direction A.



24 A



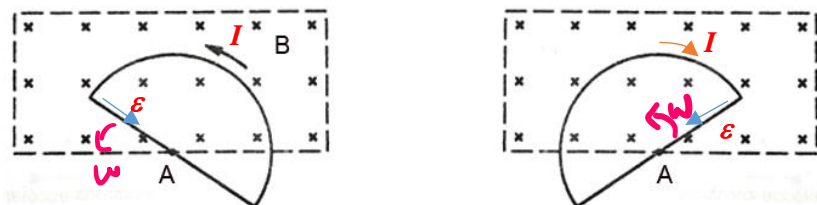
electron passes undeflected so

electric force  $F_E$  = magnetic force  $F_B$

$$qE = Bqv$$

conditions for passing through undeflected does not depend on mass or charge so outcome is the same.

- 25 C Similar to Faraday's homopolar generator. The induced current  $I = \mathcal{E}/R = B\pi r^2 f/R$ , which is **a constant value** when  $r$  and  $f$  are kept constant. However the direction of current changes clockwise or anticlockwise, depending on which radii is cutting the flux (use Fleming's RH rule).



- 26 C de Broglie wavelength  $\lambda = h/mv$ , so  $\lambda \propto 1/m$  for same speed  $v$ .

Since mass of electron is much smaller than proton,  $\lambda_e > \lambda_p$

For single slit diffraction pattern,  $b \sin \theta = \lambda$ , so  $\sin \theta \propto \lambda$ ,  $\rightarrow$  diffraction angle for electron is much larger than protons.

- 27 B Electrons:  $dN_e/dt = I/e = 2.0 \times 10^{-6} / 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$

Photons:  $dN_p/dt = P/E = 0.31 \times 10^{-3} / 3.11 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$

Ratio = 0.020

- 28 C  $p = mv = (9.11 \times 10^{-31})(1.50 \times 10^6) = 1.37 \times 10^{-24} \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$   
 $\Delta p = 0.2\% \times p = 0.002 p = 0.002(1.37 \times 10^{-24}) = 2.73 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$   
 $\Delta x = h/(\Delta p) = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} / (2.73 \times 10^{-27}) = 2.4 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$

**29 A** Energy released = BE of products – BE of reactants  
 $= (8.32 \times 136) + (8.58 \times 98) - (7.60 \times 235) = 186 \text{ MeV}$

**30 D** Initial true count rate =  $90 - 10 = 80$   
No of half lives =  $12/24 = 0.5$   
 $C = 80(1/2)^{0.5} = 57 \text{ min}^{-1}$   
Final count =  $57 + 10 = 67 \text{ min}^{-1}$