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Paper 2





2 A man standing in a hot air balloon dropped a ping pong ball as the balloon accelerated upwards at 2.0 m/s². The speed of the balloon is 2.0 m/s at the moment the ping pong ball is released. Assuming that the ping pong ball has the same velocity as the balloon when it is released. Fig. 2.1 shows how the velocities of the hot air balloon and the ping pong ball vary with time. velocity m/s 10 hot air balloon 5 0 י time/s 2 -5 ping pong ball -10 Fig. 2.1 (i) Explain why the acceleration of the ping pong ball at its maximum height (a) is 10 m/s². The ping pong ball is momentarily at rest, hence there is no air • resistance acting on it. The only force acting on the ball is weight as such it experiences acceleration due to gravity only which is 10 m/s²[2] (ii) Describe how the acceleration of the ping pong ball changes from the moment it is released until it reaches its terminal velocity. The gradient of the graph decreases to 0 at 2.2 s. Showing that acceleration is decreasing throughout the motion. The acceleration is zero ($a=0 \text{ m/s}^2$) at t=2.2 s. [2] Calculate the average velocity of the hot air balloon from t = 0 to t = 3.0 s. (b) Average velocity =($\frac{1}{2}$ (2 + 8) x 3) /3= 5.0 m/s [1]



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	(a)	Expl dian	Explain how Fig. 3.1 shows that the air pressure in the pipe decreases with the diameter of the pipe.				
		Heig	Height of fuel in vertical pipe is higher than fuel in the tank. this shows that the pressure at X is lower than atm P in tank				
	(b)	(i)	Calculate the value of atmospheric pressure in Pa using Fig. 3.2.				
			$P_{\text{atm}} = \rho g h = 13600 \times 10 \times 0.76 = 103 kPa$				
			atmospheric pressure =[1]				
		(ii)	Hence, determine the gas pressure at point X.				
			$P_{gas} = P_{atm} - P_{3.0cm}$				
			= 103 kPa - 0.29(10)(850) = 101 kPa				
			gas pressure =[2]				
	(c)	Sug the o	gest how the combustion engine makes use of the pressure difference in difference in difference in difference in				
		• 1	The section with lower pressure is connected to the fuel tank.				
		The lower pressure in the pipe results in a net upward force					
		to act on the fuel causing it to rise up and enter the horizontal section of the pipe.					
			[1]				

A student fills up an ice-cube tray with 200 g of water at 31°C and placed it in the freezer unit of a refrigerator. It takes 20 minutes for the temperature of water in the tray to drop to its freezing point.



Specific heat capacity of water is 4200 J/kg°C and the specific latent heat of fusion of water is 330 kJ/kg. The heat capacity of the ice-cube tray is 120 J/°C.

(a)	Calculate the average rate of thermal energy lost by the water and the ice-cube
	tray as it cools down from 31°C to its freezing point. Give your answer in Watt.

	Pxt = mxcx $\Delta\theta$ +Cx $\Delta\theta$ P x (20 x 60)s = 0.2 kg x 4200 J/kg °C x 31 °C + 120 J/°C x 31 °C P= 29760 J/1200s = 24.8 W
	rate of thermal energy lost =
(b)	Assuming that the rate of thermal energy lost by the water (and ice cube tray) in the freezer unit is constant, calculate how much additional time is needed for the water in the ice-cube tray to be completely frozen.
	ecf allowed from (a) 24.8 W x t = 0.2 kg x 330 000 J/kg t = 2661 s = 44 minutes
	Also accepted: P x (20 x 60)s = 0.2 kg x 4200 J/kg °C x 31 °C P=21.7W
	21.7 W x t = 0.2 kg x 330 000 J/kg t = 3041 s = 50.7 minutes
	time taken =[2]
(c)	In reality, the time taken for the water in the ice-cube tray to be completely frozen is longer than the calculated time in (b) . Explain why is this so.
	The rate of thermal energy lost <u>decreases</u> as the <u>difference in the temperature of</u> the water in the tray and its surrounding decreases.
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5 One method of making sandpaper is by passing a roll of paper through nylon friction pads. An aerosol sprays positively charged fine droplets of glue onto the paper, spreading it evenly on the surface of the paper. The resulting sticky paper is then pressed over a flat table covered with sand grains. Nylon friction pads Sand table alue droplet roll of paper aeroso Fig. 5.1 Explain how the paper becomes negatively charged after it passes (a) (i) through the nylon friction pads. Due to friction electrons are transferred from the pads to the paper, charging it negatively.[1] (ii) Explain how this method allows the glue droplets to spread out and stick to the paper easily. The glue droplets are charged oppositely to the paper (positively) and unlike charges attract hence the droplets are attracted paper easily The droplets also repel each other, as like charges repel hence it spread out and stick to the paper evenly.[2] Draw in Fig. 5.2 the electric field pattern between two identical glue droplets. (b) [1] Same number of field lines and spacings, direction outwards. Shape of field. Fig. 5.2

6	A gi	rl lost	one of her earrings when she swam in a swimming pool at midnight. She				
	brou	brought a torchlight and shine it into the pool to search for her lost earring. Fig 6.1 shows					
	how the narrow beam of light from her torchlight was incident at a point 1.5 m away						
	from	from the edge of the pool. The angle between the light beam and the water surface was					
	<u>36°.</u>						
		100					
		10	X				
			· ·				
			earring				
			Fig. 6.1 (not to scale)				
	Sho	w a be	nding of light towards the normal in the water.				
	The	appare	ent image must be vertically above the earring.				
	(a) Given that the refractive index of water is 1.3, calculate the angle of refraction of						
	the light beam in water.						
	(i) Calculate the angle of refraction of the light beam in water.						
			$n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$				
			$1 \sin 54 = 1.3 \sin \theta_2$				
			$\theta_2 = 38.5^{\circ}$				
			angle of refraction -				
		<i>(</i> ii)	Sketch on Fig. 6.1, the nath of the ray of light by which the girl is able to				
		(")	see her earring at the bottom of the pool				
			see her earning at the bottom of the pool.				
			Indicate clearly:				
			• the angle of incident. i				
the angle of refraction r							
the apparent position of the earring with an 'X'							
			[2]				
		(iii)	Explain why no matter where the girl shone her torchlight on the surface of				
			the water, it will never undergo total internal reflection.				
			The light is moving from an optically less dense medium to a denser				
			medium.				
	[1]						





	(a)	Calculate the resistance of the heater.			
		$P = V^2/R$			
		$300 = 50^2/R$			
		$R = 8.3 \Omega$			
		resistance = [1]			
	(b)	Given that the resistivity of copper is $1.72 \times 10^{-8} \Omega$ m and the diameter of the wire			
		$R = \frac{\rho L}{2} = (1.72 \times 10^{-8} \times 200) / (\pi \times 0.000367^2)$			
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		[-1 mark if area not calculated correctly]			
		resistance =			
	(c)	Calculate the actual power supplied by the heater in Fig. 7.1.			
		I = 50 / (8.1 + 8.3) = 3.0 A			
		$P = 3.0^2 \times 8.3 = 75 W$			
		power =[2]			
	(d)	The heater in Fig. 7.1 is replaced by a second heater, rated 1000 W, 240 V and			
		connected to the household mains of 240 V.			
		Explain why this heater is more efficient compared to the previous heater.			
		 Larger total resistance so current is lower 			
		• ratio of power (IV) supplied by heater to rated power of heater is higher so			
		power loss is reduced.			
		Accept answer if shown mathematically			
		$R = 58 \Omega$			
		I = 240/(58 + 8.1) = 3.6 A			
		$I^2R = 3.6^2(58) = 751 \text{ W}$			
		Efficiency = $751/1000 = 75.1\%$ compared to previously $75/300 = 25\%$			
		[2]			
		The bester is connected to the bounded mains and an earth wire and a fine			
	(e)	are included for action reasons			
		Describe how the fuse and earth wire protects the user and heater if the motel			
		case of the heater becomes live due to some fault			
		• Current flows from metal case through earth wire to ground user will not			
		aet electrocuted if he touches casing			
		 If current exceeds fuse rating, fuse blows and opens the circuit, isolating the 			
		 In current exceeds fuse failing, ruse blows and opens the circuit, isolating the heater from the high voltage mains, protecting the appliance 			
		[2]			
		[2]			
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(i)	Explain the function of the slip rings.			
	The generator's AC output voltage can be transferred from the slip rings through the brushes to an external circuit.			
(ii)	Draw an arrow on side AB of the coil in Fig. 8.2 to indicate the direction of			
	the induced current in AB.			
(:::)	Arrow from B to A			
(11)	Explain now the induced current opposes the change that caused it.			
	 The magnetic field produced by the induced current interacts with the external field to induce a force 			
	 that acts in a direction opposite to the direction of rotation of the coil causing 			
	the coil to slow down			
	[1]			
(1)	The position of the soil in Fig. 0.2 is adjusted and actinte rotation such that			
(1V)	the trace in Fig. 8.3 is observed on the cirio, screen			
	1 cm 1			
	FIG. 6.3			
	(1) Determine the frequency of the induced emf given that the time-base			
	setting is 10 ms/cm.			
	T = 40 ms			
	f = 1/0.040 = 25 Hz			
	f=[2]			
	(2) Draw on Fig. 8.3, a possible trace obtained if the coil is turned through			
	90° before it is set into rotation and at half the speed. [2]			
	1/2 amplitude and 2 times period [1]			

SECTION B

9 A lorry crane as shown in Fig. 9.1 is used in a construction site to lift concrete beams. The boom is pivoted onto the lorry such that the distance from the pivot point of the boom to the lorry's back wheel is 2.0 m.



Fig. 9.1

http://www.acecrane.in/sb-163-lorry-loader-crane-4561877.html

Table 9.1 summarises the maximum load that the lorry crane can carry and the corresponding distances from the load to the lorry's back wheel when the boom is horizontal.

length of boom / m	distance from the load to the lorry's back wheel / m	maximum load / kg
4.0	2.0	3000
6.0	4.0	1500
8.0	6.0	1000
10.0	8.0	750
12.0	10.0	600

(a) Using the data from Table 9.1, state and explain the relationship between the distance from the load to the lorry's back wheel and the maximum load that the lorry crane can carry.

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9	(a)	 The distance from the load to the lorry back wheel is inversely 	1
		proportional to the load.	
		 The product of the distance from the load to the lorry back wheel and 	1
		the load is always 60000 Nm.	

- (b) The weight of the uniform boom is 10 000 N.
 - (i) Calculate the <u>minimum weight of the lorry</u>. Assuming that the distance from the centre of gravity of the lorry to the lorry's back wheel is 2.5 m.

weight =[2]



(ii) The actual weight of the boom is much heavier than 10 000 N. Explain why when the length of the boom is 4.0 m, the maximum load that can be lifted is the same as the maximum load shown in Table 9.1.



(c) Lorry cranes have additional support extended sideways as shown in Fig. 9.2.



Fig. 9.2 https://www.cranes.org.nz/uploads/2/0/5/7/20572552/crane_stability_and_ground_pressure.pdf Explain how the additional support increases the stability of the lorry crane.

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(c) Increases the base area, as such the lorry crane can rotate more before the c.g. 1 of the lorry crane is out of the base area.

(d) The concrete beam is freely suspended as shown in Fig. 9.3.





(i) Mark the centre of gravity of the concrete beam with the letter 'x'. Explain your answer.





(ii) The concrete beam is made of 10% steel and 90% concrete by volume. If the density of steel and concrete is 7800 kg/m³ and 2400 kg/m³ respectively, determine the average density of the beam.

$$\rho = \frac{7800\frac{kg}{m^3} \times 0.1V + 2400\frac{kg}{m^3} \times 0.9V}{V} = 2940\frac{kg}{m^3}$$

10 Fig. 10.1 shows a solenoid that is connected to a battery such that a north pole is induced at the right end of the solenoid.



Fig. 10.1

- (a) Draw an arrow at the left end of the solenoid to indicate the direction of the current flowing through the solenoid. [1]
- (b) A compass is placed at the left side of the solenoid. Draw an arrow to show how will the compass needle point. [1]
- (c) Fig. 10.2 shows a modified d.c. motor. The permanent magnet is replaced with the solenoid from Fig. 10.1.





- (i) On Fig. 10.2, draw an arrow on wire AB to show the direction of the force induced on wire AB. [1]
- (ii) Explain how a force is induced on wire AB.

The resultant magnetic field above the wire is stronger than the resultant magnetic field below the wire.

- (iii) The plane of coil is initially horizontal as shown in Fig. 10.2 and the coil rotates more than 90° from this starting position. It then continues to rotate in the same direction. State and explain which feature of the d.c. motor allows the coil to continue to rotate in the same direction.
- Split-ring commutator.
 It shares the direction of the surr
- It changes the direction of the current in the coil every ½ cycle, changing the direction of the force but still creating moment in the same direction.
- (d) In a typical d.c. motor, soft iron core is added to the centre of the wire coil as shown in Fig. 10.3.



Fig. 10.3

(i) Explain how the soft iron core increases the turning effect of the d.c. motor.

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The iron core concentrates the magnetic field lines of the magnet, maximising the interaction between the magnetic fields due to the current and the permanent magnet, creating a larger induced force and hence moment.

(ii) On Fig. 10.3, draw the magnetic field lines between the south pole of the magnet and the iron core when no current flows through the wire coil. [1]

(iii) Explain how the iron core is induced into a magnet.

[1] The magnetic domains of the iron core will be aligned in the direction of the magnetic field lines of the magnet concentrating through the iron core. **11E** Fig. 11.1 shows the track of a 500 kg roller coaster. An electric motor pulls the roller coaster along the track OABC. The efficiency of the electric motor is 80 % and it takes 2.0 min to pull the roller coaster from point A to point B at a constant speed.



Fig. 11.1

(a) Describe how Principle of Conservation of Energy is applied as the roller coaster moves from point A to B.

Electrical energy is converted to GPE gained by the roller coaster and heat and sound transferred to the surrounding.

- The amount of electrical energy is equal to the gain in GPE by the roller coaster and heat and sound transferred to the surrounding.
- (b) Determine the power of the electric motor.

$$Eff = \frac{useful \ pwr \ output}{total \ pwr \ input} \times 100\%$$
$$80\% = \frac{\frac{100000}{120s}}{P_{motor}} \times 100\%$$

 $P_{motor} = 1040 W$

(c) The electric motor is replaced with one that gives a larger power to the roller coaster. Describe and explain the effect on the speed of the roller coaster if it still moves from A to B at a constant speed.

(c) It will move up faster. As power is higher, the gain in GPE per unit time is larger. Since the gain in GPE is the same, the time has to be shorter. As such the speed must be higher.
 or: larger power → larger force → larger initial acceleration hence speed increases

- (d) At point C, the speed of the roller coaster is 0.20 m/s and it continues to move down the track due to gravity. Assume that along the track C to F, the frictional force is negligible.
 - (i) Calculate the speed of the roller coaster at point E.

- (d) (i) lost GPE = gain KE (500kg)(10N/kg)(2.0m) = $\frac{1}{2}(500kg)v^2 + \frac{1}{2}(500kg)(0.20m/s)^2$ v = 6.32 m/s
 - (ii) In reality the speed of the roller coaster is smaller than the speed calculated in (b)(i). Explain why the actual speed is lower.

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[1] There are resistive forces acting on the roller coaster. The resistive force is doing work against the roller coaster, hence less gain in kinetic energy.

(e) At point F, the speed of the roller coaster is 15 m/s. The average resistive force experienced by the roller coaster along FG is 4000 N. It is observed that the 10 m track FG is not long enough for the roller coaster to come to a stop at end of track FG.

To overcome this issue, the end of track FG has to be elevated. Calculate the height of elevation of FG so that the roller coast can come to a stop at the end of the track.

height =[2]

(e)	work done due to (4000 N)(10 m) h	to friction = lost KE – gain GPE = $\frac{1}{2}(500 \text{ kg})(15 \text{ m/s})^2 - 0 - (500 \text{ kg})(10 \text{ N/kg})\text{h}$ = 3.25 m or 3.3 m	1 1

A student uses a water tank to study the behaviour of a water wave as it travels from region A to region B of different water depths. A powerful light source placed above the water tank produces regions of bright and dark bands of light at the base of the water tank, as shown in Fig. 11.2.



Fig. 11.2

https://web2.ph.utexas.edu/~vadim/Classes/2014f/refraction.html

(a) Explain why water waves are transverse waves.

......[1]

- (a) The water particle oscillate about a fixed point perpendicular to the wave direction.
 - (b) After passing through the water, light rays converge to form bright bands of light at the base of the water tank.
 - (i) On Fig. 11.2, mark a distance equal to the wavelength of the water wave in region A. Label the wavelength with ' λ '. [1]
 - (ii) State and explain which region is deeper.

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(c) At time = 0, a ping pong ball is found to be at the centre of a dark band. If the speed of the water wave is 20 cm/s and the wavelength is 10 cm, draw on Fig. 11.3, how the displacement of the ping pong ball changes with time for 2 complete oscillations. Indicate the time when the displacement = 0 mm. The amplitude of the water wave is A.



Fig. 11.3

- (c) cosine curve (at the centre of the dark band is the trough of the wave)
 - Period indicated correctly (0.50s) (speed is 20 cm/s and the wavelength is 10 cm)
 - correct amplitude
 - 2 complete cosine wave (2 complete oscillation).
- (d) The water wave in Fig. 11.2 is produced by dropping a concrete beam into the water tank. When the beam hits the base of the tank, sound is produced.

Fig. 11.4 shows the displacement-time graph of a water particle as sound is transmitted through the water.



Fig. 11.4

(i) Explain how sound energy is transferred through the water without transferring matter.



(ii)	half the amplitude	1
	half the period	1