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## Section A

- 1 (a) gravitational force provides the centripetal force B1  
 $GMm/r^2 = mr\omega^2$  (must be in terms of  $\omega$ ) B1  
 $r^3\omega^2 = GM$  and  $GM$  is a constant B1 [3]
- (b) (i) 1. for Phobos,  $\omega = 2\pi/(7.65 \times 3600)$  C1  
 $= 2.28 \times 10^{-4} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$   
 $(9.39 \times 10^6)^3 \times (2.28 \times 10^{-4})^2 = 6.67 \times 10^{11} \times M$  C1  
 $M = 6.46 \times 10^{23} \text{ kg}$  A1 [3]
2.  $(9.39 \times 10^6)^3 \times (2.28 \times 10^{-4})^2 = (1.99 \times 10^7)^3 \times \omega^2$  C1  
 $\omega = 7.30 \times 10^{-5} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$  C1  
 $T = 2\pi/\omega = 2\pi/(7.30 \times 10^{-5})$   
 $= 8.6 \times 10^4 \text{ s}$   
 $= 23.6 \text{ hours}$  A1 [3]
- (ii) *either* almost 'geostationary'  
*or* satellite would take a long time to cross the sky B1 [1]
- 2 (a) e.g. moving in random (rapid) motion of molecules/atoms/particles  
no intermolecular forces of attraction/repulsion  
volume of molecules/atoms/particles negligible compared to volume of  
container  
time of collision negligible to time between collisions  
(1 each, max 2) B2 [2]
- (b) (i) 1. number of (gas) molecules B1 [1]  
2. mean square speed/velocity (of gas molecules) B1 [1]
- (ii) *either*  $pV = NkT$  *or*  $pV = nRT$  and links  $n$  and  $k$   
and  $\langle E_k \rangle = \frac{1}{2}m\langle c^2 \rangle$  M1  
clear algebra leading to  $\langle E_k \rangle = \frac{3}{2}kT$  A1 [2]
- (c) (i) sum of potential energy and kinetic energy of molecules/atoms/particles  
reference to random (distribution) M1  
A1 [2]
- (ii) no intermolecular forces so no potential energy B1  
(change in) internal energy is (change in) kinetic energy and this is  
proportional to (change in)  $T$  B1 [2]

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3	(a) (i) <u>amplitude</u> remains constant		B1 [1]
	(ii) <u>amplitude</u> decreases gradually light damping		M1 A1 [2]
	(iii) period = 0.80 s frequency = 1.25 Hz ( <i>period not 0.8 s, then 0/2</i> )		C1 A1 [2]
	(b) (i) (induced) e.m.f. is proportional to rate of change/cutting of (magnetic) flux (linkage)		M1 A1 [2]
	(ii) a current is induced in the coil as magnet moves in coil current in resistor gives rise to a heating effect thermal energy is derived from energy of oscillation of the magnet		M1 A1 M1 A1 [4]
4	(a) (i) zero field (strength) inside spheres		B1 [1]
	(ii) <i>either</i> field strength is zero <i>or</i> the fields are in opposite directions at a point between the spheres		M1 A1 [2]
	(b) (i) field strength is (–) potential gradient ( <i>not V/x</i> )		B1 [1]
	(ii) 1. field strength has maximum value at $x = 11.4$ cm		B1 B1 [2]
	2. field strength is zero <i>either</i> at $x = 7.9$ cm ( <i>allow <math>\pm 0.3</math> cm</i> ) <i>or</i> at 0 to 1.4 cm <i>or</i> 11.4 cm to 12 cm		B1 B1 [2]
5	(a) (i) $Bqv(\sin\theta)$ or $Bqv(\cos\theta)$		B1 [1]
	(ii) $qE$		B1 [1]
	(b) $F_B$ must be opposite in direction to $F_E$ so magnetic field <u>into</u> plane of paper		B1 B1 [2]

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- 6 (a) (i) period =  $1/50$   
 $t_1 = 0.03 \text{ s}$  C1  
A1 [2]
- (ii) peak voltage =  $17.0 \text{ V}$  A1 [1]
- (iii) r.m.s. voltage =  $17.0/\sqrt{2}$   
=  $12.0 \text{ V}$  A1 [1]
- (iv) mean voltage =  $0$  A1 [1]
- (b) power =  $V^2/R$  C1  
=  $12^2/2.4$   
=  $60 \text{ W}$  A1 [2]
- 7 (a) each line represents photon of specific energy M1  
photon emitted as a result of energy change of electron M1  
specific energy changes so discrete levels A1 [3]
- (b) (i) arrow from  $-0.85 \text{ eV}$  level to  $-1.5 \text{ eV}$  level B1 [1]
- (ii)  $\Delta E = hc/\lambda$  C1  
=  $(1.5 - 0.85) \times 1.6 \times 10^{19}$  C1  
=  $1.04 \times 10^{19} \text{ J}$   
 $\lambda = (6.63 \times 10^{-34} \times 3.0 \times 10^8)/(1.04 \times 10^{19})$   
=  $1.9 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$  A1 [3]
- (c) spectrum appears as continuous spectrum crossed by dark lines B1  
two dark lines B1  
electrons in gas absorb photons with energies equal to the excitation energies M1  
light photons re-emitted in all directions A1 [4]
- 8 (a) (i) time for initial number of nuclei/activity M1  
to reduce to one half of its initial value A1 [2]
- (ii)  $\lambda = \ln 2/(24.8 \times 24 \times 3600)$  M1  
=  $3.23 \times 10^{-7} \text{ s}^{-1}$  A0 [1]
- (b) (i)  $A = \lambda N$  C1  
 $3.76 \times 10^6 = 3.23 \times 10^{-7} \times N$   
 $N = 1.15 \times 10^{13}$  A1 [2]
- (ii)  $N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$   
=  $1.15 \times 10^{13} \times \exp(-\{\ln 2 \times 30\}/24.8)$  C1  
=  $4.97 \times 10^{12}$  A1 [2]
- (c) ratio =  $(4.97 \times 10^{12})/(1.15 \times 10^{13} - 4.97 \times 10^{12})$  C1  
=  $0.76$  A1 [2]

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## Section B

- 9 (a) e.g. reduced gain  
increased stability  
greater bandwidth or less distortion  
(allow any two sensible suggestions, 1 each, max 2) B2 [2]
- (b) (i)  $V^-$  connected to midpoint between resistors  
 $V_{OUT}$  clear and input to  $V^+$  clear B1  
B1 [2]
- (ii) gain =  $1 + R_F/R$   
 $15 = 1 + 12000/R$  C1  
 $R = 860 \Omega$  A1 [2]
- (c) graph: straight line from (0,0) to (0.6,9.0) B1  
straight line from (0.6,9.0) to (1.0,9.0) B1 [2]
- (d) either relay can be used to switch a large current/voltage  
output current of op-amp is a few mA/very small M1  
or relay can be used as a remote switch A1 [2]  
for inhospitable region/avoids using long heavy cables (M1)  
(A1)
- 10 (a) e.g. large bandwidth/carries more information  
low attenuation of signal  
low cost  
smaller diameter, easier handling, easier storage, less weight  
high security/no crosstalk  
low noise/no EM interference  
(allow any four sensible suggestions, 1 each, max 4) B4 [4]
- (b) (i) infra-red B1 [1]
- (ii) lower attenuation than for visible light B1 [1]
- (c) (i) gain/dB =  $10 \lg(P_2/P_1)$  C1  
 $26 = 10 \lg(P_2/9.3 \times 10^6)$   
 $P_2 = 3.7 \times 10^3 \text{ W}$  A1 [2]
- (ii) power loss along fibre =  $30 \times 0.2 = 6.0 \text{ dB}$  C1  
either  $6 = 10 \lg(P/3.7 \times 10^3)$  or  $6 \text{ dB} = 4 \times 3.7 \times 10^3$   
or  $32 = 10 \lg(P/9.3 \times 10^6)$   
input power =  $1.5 \times 10^2 \text{ W}$  A1 [2]