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**Physics A**

Unit **H156/02**: Depth in physics

Advanced Subsidiary GCE

**Mark Scheme for June 2017**

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Annotations available in RM Assessor

Annotation	Meaning
	Benefit of doubt given
	Contradiction
	Incorrect response
	Error carried forward
	Follow through
	Not answered question
	Benefit of doubt not given
	Power of 10 error
	Omission mark
	Rounding error or repeated error
	Error in number of significant figures
	Correct response
	Arithmetic error
	Wrong physics or equation

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Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed Mark Scheme (to include abbreviations and subject-specific conventions).

<b>Annotation</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
/	alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point
(1)	Separates marking points
<b>reject</b>	Answers which are not worthy of credit
<b>not</b>	Answers which are not worthy of credit
<b>IGNORE</b>	Statements which are irrelevant
<b>ALLOW</b>	Answers that can be accepted
( )	Words which are not essential to gain credit
—	Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark
<b>ecf</b>	Error carried forward
<b>AW</b>	Alternative wording
<b>ORA</b>	Or reverse argument

## CATEGORISATION OF MARKS

The marking schemes categorise marks on the MACB scheme.

**B** marks: These are awarded as independent marks, which do not depend on other marks. For a **B**-mark to be scored, the point to which it refers must be seen specifically in the candidate's answers.

**M** marks: These are method marks upon which **A**-marks (accuracy marks) later depend. For an **M**-mark to be scored, the point to which it refers must be seen in the candidate's answers. If a candidate fails to score a particular **M**-mark, then none of the dependent **A**-marks can be scored.

**C** marks: These are compensatory method marks which can be scored even if the points to which they refer are not written down by the candidate, providing subsequent working gives evidence that they must have known it. For example, if an equation carries a **C**-mark and the candidate does not write down the actual equation but does correct working which shows the candidate knew the equation, then the **C**-mark is given.

**A** marks: These are accuracy or answer marks, which either depend on an **M**-mark, or allow a **C**-mark to be scored.

### Note about significant figures:

If the data given in a question is to 2 sf, then allow to 2 or more significant figures.  
If an answer is given to fewer than 2 sf, then penalise once only in the entire paper.  
Any exception to this rule will be mentioned in the Additional Guidance.

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1	(a)	Sum of <u>thinking distance</u> and the <u>braking distance</u>	B1	<b>Allow</b> the (total) <u>distance</u> travelled from when the driver sees a hazard to the vehicle stopping wtte	
	(b)	i			
		$\frac{61000}{3600} = 16.944$ $17 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	M1 A0	<b>Note</b> v must be the subject	
		ii			
		1			
		$\frac{1}{2} \times 1.9 \times 10^5 \times 17^2$ $2.7(5) \times 10^7(\text{J})$	C1 A1	<b>Allow</b> use of 16.9 gives $2.7 \times 10^7(\text{J})$	
		ii			
		2			
		$0 = 17^2 + 2a \times 310$ $a = (-) \frac{17^2}{2 \times 310} = (-) \frac{289}{620}$ $0.47 (\text{ms}^{-2})$	OR $t = \frac{310}{8.5} = 36.5$ OR $a = \frac{17}{36.5}$	C1 C1 A1	<b>Allow</b> $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ with values stated correctly <b>Ignore</b> negative sign <b>Allow</b> use of 16.9 gives 0.46 <b>Not</b> 0.5
		ii			
		3			
		$1.9 \times 10^5 \times 0.47$  $89000(\text{N})$	C1 A1	<b>Allow</b> ECF from (b) (ii) 1 and (b) (ii) 2 <b>Allow</b> $\frac{2.7 \times 10^7}{310}$ <b>Allow</b> $1.9 \times 10^5 \times 0.46$ <b>Allow</b> $\frac{1.9 \times 10^5 \times 17}{36.5}$ <b>Allow</b> alternatives 87100, 87400, 88000	
		(iii)			
		Component of train's <u>weight</u> acts against the motion/down the incline/same direction as braking force OR some KE transferred to GPE  <u>Smaller distance</u> because larger opposing forces/net force or greater deceleration or less work done by braking force	B1 B1	<b>Not</b> gravity will slow it down <b>Not</b> down, parallel	
		<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>		

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2	(a)	$F / N$	$e / \text{cm}$	<b>B1</b> <b>Note</b> Column heading required and values in table. <b>Allow</b> 0 for 0.0 <b>Not</b> 1 for 1.0
		0	<b>0.0</b>	
		0.49	<b>1.0</b>	
		0.98	<b>1.8</b>	
		1.47	2.8	
		1.96	3.6	
		2.45	4.6	
	(b)	<p>y-axis labelled correctly e / cm</p> <p>y-axis scale is simple and uses at least half the graph paper</p> <p>Data points plotted correctly.</p> <p>Straight line of best fit drawn with a straight edge / ruler</p>	<p><b>B1</b> <b>Allow</b> extension / cm or e (cm) for e / cm</p> <p><b>B1</b> <b>Note</b> axis tick labels must be at least every two large squares (4 cm)</p> <p><b>B1</b> <b>Check</b> two data points (0.98, 1.8) <u>and</u> (2.45, 4.6) Thickness of each point must be less than half a small square</p> <p><b>B1</b> <b>Not</b> freehand / wobbly line</p>	
	(c)	<p>Gradient in the range 1.80 to 1.94 OR 0.0180 to 0.0194</p>	<b>B1</b>	<p><b>Allow</b> 1.8 or 1.9 OR 0.018 or 0.019 <b>Not</b> 2 OR 0.02 <b>Ignore</b> POT errors <b>Ignore</b> significant figures</p>
	(d)	$k_2 = \frac{1}{\text{gradient}} = \frac{1}{(c)}$ <p>Correct value for <math>k_2</math> <u>and</u> correct unit <math>\text{N cm}^{-1}</math> or <math>\text{N m}^{-1}</math> <u>and</u> given to 2 or 3 significant figures</p>	<p><b>C1</b></p> <p><b>A1</b></p>	<p><b>Note</b> expect about <math>0.55 (\text{N cm}^{-1})</math> or <math>55 (\text{N m}^{-1})</math></p> <p><b>Note</b> unit must be with correct power of ten</p>

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	(e)	Hooke's law: Extension is (directly) proportional to the load (provided elastic limit not exceeded)  Graph is not a <u>straight</u> line <u>passing through the origin</u> so Hooke's law is not obeyed OR Graph is a <u>straight</u> line <u>passing through the origin</u> so Hooke's law is obeyed	B1  B1	
	(f)	$k_1 = 2 \times (\mathbf{d})$ or springs in series = $k/n$  $\frac{2}{3}$	C1  A1	Allow $F = k_1e = k_22e = k_33e$ Note 2:3 scores one mark  Allow 0.66, 0.67
		<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	



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3	a	i	Micrometer/(Vernier) calliper  Repeat readings (in different directions) <u>and</u> average	B1  B1	Not ruler
		ii	$\frac{4}{3}\pi(0.014)^3$ OR $1.15 \times 10^{-5}$  $m = 650 \times 1.15 \times 10^{-5} = 7.47 \times 10^{-3}$  0.0075 (kg)	M1  M1  A0	Allow $\frac{4}{3}\pi(1.4)^3$  Note must see correct POT
		iii	$1000 \times 1.15 \times 10^{-5} \times 9.81 = 0.11$ N OR $0.0075 \times 9.81 = 0.074$ N  $F = 0.11 - 0.074 = 0.037$ (N)  OR  $9.81(1000 - 650)$ or $1.15 \times 10^{-5} \times (1000 - 650)$  $F = 1.15 \times 10^{-5} \times 9.81(1000 - 650) = 0.039$ (N)	C1  A1  C1  A1	Allow use of $7.47 \times 10^{-3}$ kg from a ii Allow ecf from a ii

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b	<p><b>Level 3 (5–6 marks)</b> Clear procedure, measurements <b>and</b> analysis</p> <p><i>There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.</i></p> <p><b>Level 2 (3–4 marks)</b> Some procedure, some measurements and some analysis.</p> <p><i>There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is in the most-part relevant and supported by some evidence.</i></p> <p><b>Level 1 (1–2 marks)</b> Limited procedure and limited measurements <b>or</b> limited analysis</p> <p><i>The information is basic and communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence and the relationship to the evidence may not be clear.</i></p> <p><b>0 marks</b> No response or no response worthy of credit.</p>	B1 x6	<p><b>Indicative scientific points may include:</b></p> <p><b>Procedure</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• labelled diagram</li> <li>• long tube</li> <li>• method to determine <u>terminal</u> velocity</li> <li>• check for terminal velocity</li> <li>• safety precaution (tray to avoid spills/ gloves/clamp tube)</li> <li>• method to remove sphere</li> </ul> <p><b>Measurements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• measurement of diameter</li> <li>• use micrometer/calliper to measure diameter</li> <li>• averages diameter</li> <li>• measurements to determine <math>v</math>, e.g. stopwatch, ruler, light gate connected to timer, detailed use of video camera</li> <li>• repeats experiment for same <math>r</math></li> </ul> <p><b>Analysis</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>r = d / 2</math></li> <li>• determination of terminal velocity</li> <li>• plot a graph of <math>v</math> against <math>r^2</math></li> <li>• <math>K = \text{gradient}</math>.</li> </ul>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	

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4	a	i	$R = \frac{230^2}{3500} = 15.11$ 15 ( $\Omega$ )	M1 A0	Allow calculation of current (15.2) and $R = V / I$ Not 3500 / 230 = 15.2
		ii	$A = \pi \times 0.00055^2 (= 9.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^2)$  $L = \frac{15 \times 9.5 \times 10^{-7}}{1.6 \times 10^{-6}}$  8.9 (m)	C1  C1  A1	   <b>Note</b> $8.9 \times 10^n$ scores two marks <b>Allow</b> 15.1 gives 9.0 m
		iii	(Ohm's law states that) $V$ proportional to $I$ (provided the physical conditions/temperature remain constant)  Since the <u>temperature is not constant</u> , Ohm's law will not apply	B1  B1	  <b>Allow</b> one mark for Ohm's law will not apply because as temperature changes the resistance changes
	b		$3.5 \times 7$ or $3.5 \times 7 \times 7$ or $10.5 \times 7$ or $10.5 \times 7 \times 7$ or 514.5  $514.5 \times 7.6\text{p} = \text{£}39.10$ or $\text{£}39.11$	C1  A1	<b>Note</b> for use of 17 hours $\text{£}94.96$ scores one mark  <b>Allow</b> 3910p or 3911p or $\text{£}39.1$ or $\text{£}39.102$
	c	i	$V = \frac{1.1}{6.8 + 1.4 + 1.1} \times 6$  0.71 (V)	C1  A1	<b>Allow</b> $I = \frac{6}{(6.8+1.4+1.1) \times 10^3} = 0.00065$  <b>Allow</b> 0.7
	c	ii	As temperature of thermistor increases, resistance of thermistor decreases  Total resistance of circuit decreases or current increases  Greater proportion of p.d. across <u>fixed resistor</u> or p.d. across <u>fixed resistor</u> increase  Reading on the voltmeter will increase	B1  B1  M1  A1	
			<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	

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5	a	<p><i>phase difference:</i> difference in degrees/radians/angle between points on the same wave or (similar) points on two waves</p> <p><i>coherence:</i> constant/fixed phase difference</p>	<p><b>B1</b></p> <p><b>B1</b></p>	<p><b>Note</b> must be a comparison between points/waves <b>Allow</b> how far out of step/sync or leads/lags for difference</p> <p><b>Allow</b> constant / fixed phase relationship <b>Ignore</b> 'the frequency / wavelength is the same' <b>Not</b> the same phase difference <b>Not</b> zero phase difference</p>
	b	<p><b>i</b></p> <p>At point P: path difference between slits and screen is a whole/integer number of <u>wavelengths</u> (for constructive interference)</p> <p>At point Q: path difference between slits and screen is an <u>odd number of half wavelengths</u> (for destructive interference)</p>	<p><b>B1</b></p> <p><b>B1</b></p>	<p><b>Allow</b> <math>n\lambda</math> or <math>\lambda</math> <b>Not</b> phase difference</p> <p><b>Allow</b> <math>(n + \frac{1}{2})\lambda</math> <b>Not</b> <math>\lambda/2</math></p>
		<p><b>ii</b></p> <p><b>1</b></p> <p><math>x = 4.22 \text{ mm}</math></p> $\lambda = \frac{4.22 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.56 \times 10^{-3}}{4.50}$ <p><math>5.25 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}</math></p>	<p><b>C1</b></p> <p><b>C1</b></p> <p><b>A1</b></p>	<p><b>Note</b> <math>x = 42.2 \text{ mm}</math> or <math>4.2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}</math> scores zero</p> <p><b>Note</b> <math>x = 3.84, 4.77 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}</math> may score max 2</p>

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	<b>ii</b> <b>2</b>	$\frac{0.02}{4.5} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{0.02}{0.56} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{0.2}{42.2}$ $\left(\frac{0.02}{4.5} + \frac{0.02}{0.56} + \frac{0.2}{42.2}\right) \times 100 = 4.48 \%$ <p>Alternative max/min method:</p> $\lambda_{max} = \frac{4.24 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.58 \times 10^{-3}}{4.48} = 5.49 \times 10^{-7}$ <p>and/or</p> $\lambda_{min} = \frac{4.20 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.54 \times 10^{-3}}{4.52} = 5.02 \times 10^{-7}$ $\frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda} \times 100 = 4.4\% \text{ or } 4.6\%$	<b>C1</b> <b>A1</b> <b>B1</b> <b>B1</b>	<b>Allow</b> 4% or 5% with evidence of working <b>Ignore</b> significant figures
<b>c</b>	<b>i</b>	$\frac{6.63 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^8}{5.25 \times 10^{-7}} = \frac{1.989 \times 10^{-25}}{\mathbf{5 \text{ b ii 1}}} = 3.79 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ $n = \frac{50 \times 10^{-3}}{3.79 \times 10^{-19}} = 2.5 \times 10^{23} \times \mathbf{5 \text{ b ii 1}} = 1.3 \times 10^{17}$	<b>C1</b> <b>A1</b>	<b>Allow</b> ecf from <b>bii</b>
	<b>ii</b>	<p>2.6 eV = 2.6 x 1.6 x 10<sup>-19</sup> = 4.16 x 10<sup>-19</sup> J ORA</p> <p>Energy of photon is less than work function so photoelectrons will not be emitted</p>	<b>M1</b> <b>A1</b>	<b>Allow</b> photon has 2.37 eV of energy <b>Allow</b> conclusion based <b>5 c i</b>
<b>Total</b>			<b>13</b>	

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6	a	A progressive wave transfers energy/information (in the direction of the wave)/all points have (the same) amplitude  In a stationary wave there is no net energy transfer/energy is stored/has points which are always zero amplitude/or points have different amplitudes	B1  B1	<b>Note</b> for two marks there must be a comparison  <b>Allow</b> stationary wave has nodes (and antinodes) for one mark
	b	<b>Level 3 (5–6 marks)</b> Clear explanation of observations <b>and</b> correct method to determine the speed of sound  <i>There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.</i> <b>Level 2 (3–4 marks)</b> Clear explanation of observations <b>or</b> correct method to determine the speed of sound <b>or</b> has limited explanation of observations and limited method for the determination of the speed of sound  <i>There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is in the most-part relevant and supported by some evidence.</i> <b>Level 1 (1–2 marks)</b> Has limited explanation of observations <b>or</b> limited evidence of method to determine the speed of sound  <i>The information is basic and communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence and the relationship to the evidence may not be clear.</i> <b>0 marks</b> No response or no response worthy of credit.	B1 x6	<b>Indicative scientific points may include:</b>  <b>Explanation of Observations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding of how the standing wave is formed from the interference between the incident and reflected wave</li> <li>• Idea of nodes and antinodes</li> <li>• Node at closed end and antinode at open end</li> <li>• Understanding of the direction of oscillation of particles</li> <li>• Fundamental frequency/1<sup>st</sup> harmonic indicated for closed tube.</li> <li>• Fundamental frequency/1<sup>st</sup> harmonic indicated for open tube</li> <li>• Harmonics indicated for closed tube</li> <li>• Harmonics indicated for open tube</li> </ul> <b>Determination of speed of sound</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>\lambda</math> correctly linked to length</li> <li>• <math>v = f\lambda</math></li> <li>• <math>v</math> calculated for different harmonics/tube or appropriate graphical method</li> <li>• <math>338 \text{ m s}^{-1}</math></li> </ul>
<b>Total</b>			<b>8</b>	

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