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TUESDAY 16 JUNE, AFTERNOON

TIME

1 hour 30 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

Answer **all** questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this question paper.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 75.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in question 5.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question.

Your attention is drawn to the Data and Formulae Sheet which is inside this question paper.

You may use an electronic calculator.

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If you need the values of physical constants to answer any questions in this paper, they may be found in the Data and Formulae Sheet.

Answer **all seven** questions.

1 (a) Physical quantities may be classified as **vectors** or **scalars**.

(i) Explain what is meant by a **scalar** quantity.

_____ [1]

(ii) There are six physical quantities listed below. Indicate which of the physical quantities are **vectors** by placing a tick (✓) in the box corresponding to the quantity.

Kinetic energy

Displacement

Voltage

Mass

Force

Power

[2]

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Remark

- 3 A rugby ball is kicked over the crossbar between the goal-posts from a position 25 m directly in front of the posts as shown in Fig. 3.1.

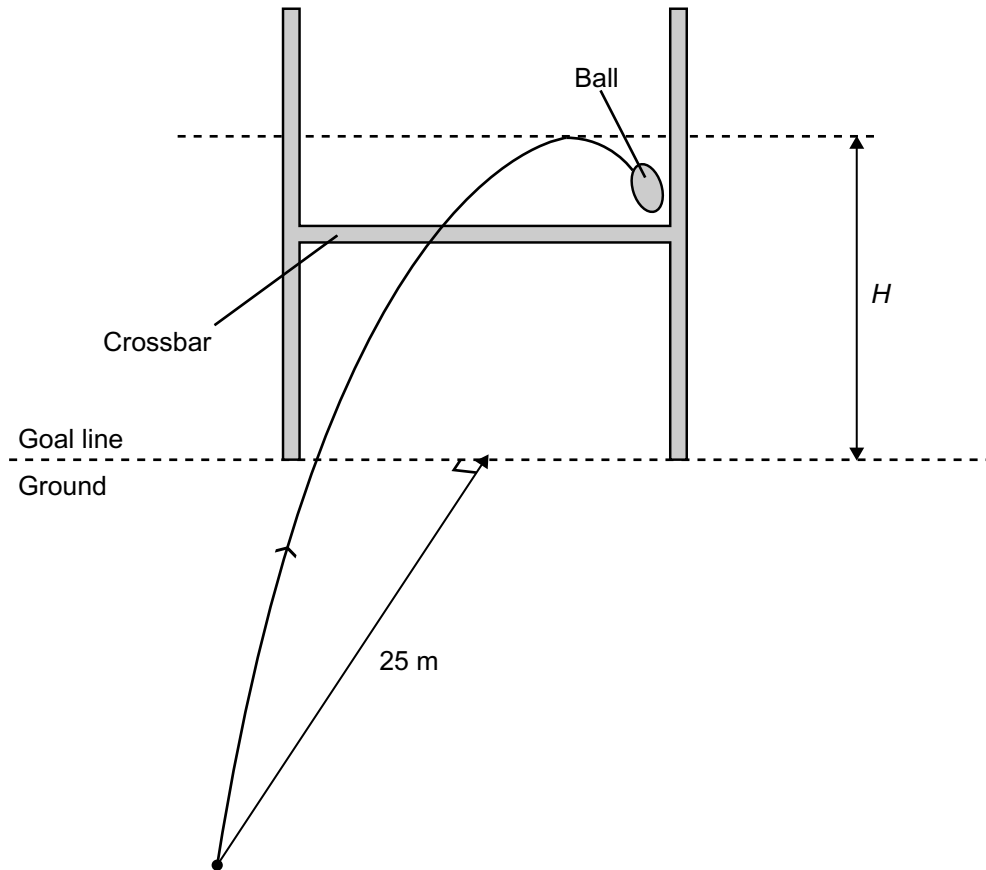


Fig. 3.1

The ball reaches maximum height H above the ground at a position vertically above the crossbar. It takes 1.4 seconds to reach this maximum height. Assume air resistance is negligible.

- (a) (i) Calculate the horizontal component of velocity at the instant the ball leaves the kicker's foot.

Horizontal component = _____ m s^{-1} [2]

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4 (a) (i) Draw and label an experimental arrangement which could be used to measure the Young modulus of the material of a long wire.

[2]

(ii) List the measurements you would make, and state the instruments you would use to take the readings.

[3]

(iii) Explain how you would determine the Young modulus from your series of experimental results.

[4]

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(b) Three identical light springs each have an unstretched length of 120 mm and a spring constant k of 300 N m^{-1} . In the calculations that follow, all extensions are within the limit of proportionality of the springs.

(i) The springs are first joined in parallel, with a light rod attached to their lower ends. The upper ends are attached to a firm support, as shown in **Fig. 4.1**.

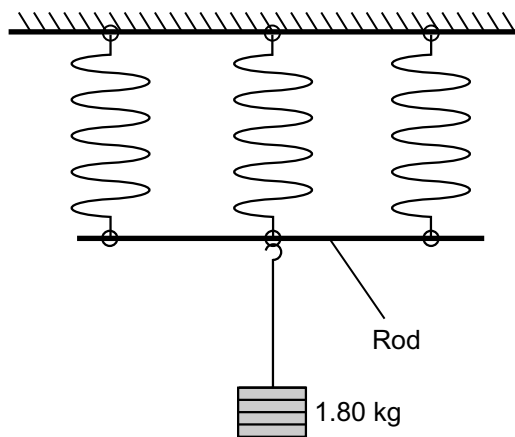


Fig. 4.1

A mass of 1.80 kg is attached to the rod. Calculate the distance h the rod moves down.

$h = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ mm}$

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- (ii) The springs are now disconnected from the rod and joined end-to-end, as shown in Fig. 4.2.

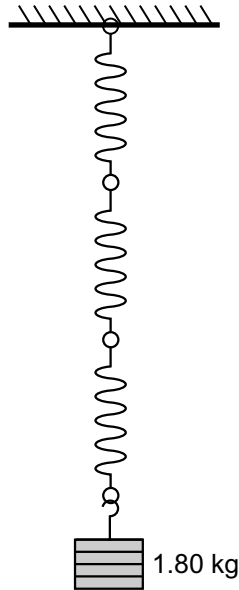


Fig. 4.2

A mass of 1.80 kg is attached to the lower end of the spring combination. Calculate the distance H the lower end of the bottom spring moves down.

$H =$ _____ mm

[2]

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- 6 **Fig. 6.1** shows a heating element as used in the rear window of a car. It consists of six strips of resistive material, joined by strips of copper of negligible resistance. The voltage applied to the heater is 14.2 V when the engine is running. The total current delivered to the heater by the battery is 8.4 A.

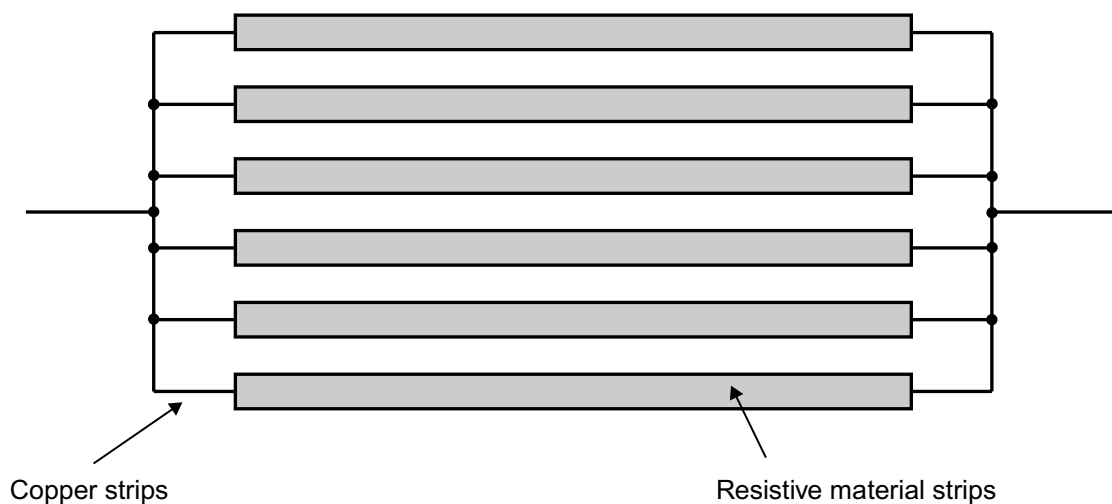


Fig. 6.1

- (a) (i) Calculate the total resistance of the element.

Resistance = _____ Ω [2]

- (ii) Calculate the power delivered by the battery to the heating element.

Power = _____ W [2]

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(b) (i) Calculate the resistance of one of the strips of resistive material.

Resistance = _____ Ω [1]

(ii) Each strip is 1.05 m long and has a rectangular cross-section of 2.0 mm by 0.15 mm. Calculate the resistivity of the material from which the strip is made. State the appropriate unit.

Resistivity = _____

Unit = _____ [4]

(c) The heating element has six strips connected **in parallel**. Suggest **two** reasons why this arrangement is preferable to connecting the same strips **in series**.

1. _____

2. _____
_____ [3]

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- 7 A battery of e.m.f. 12 V and negligible internal resistance is connected to a resistor network, as shown in the circuit diagram in Fig. 7.1.

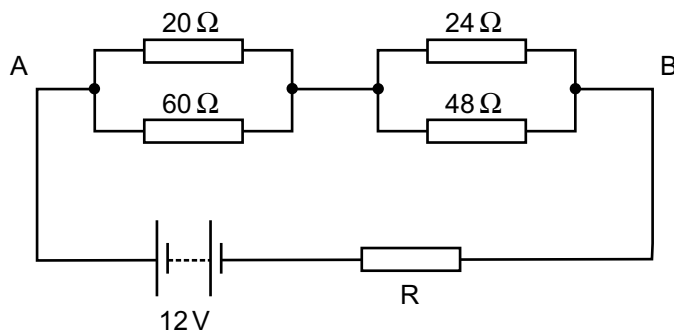


Fig. 7.1

- (a) Show clearly that the resistance of the single equivalent resistor that could replace the four resistors between the points A and B is $31\ \Omega$.

[3]

- (b) The current delivered by the battery is 300 mA. Calculate the **total** circuit resistance.

Total resistance = _____ Ω

[2]

- (c) Hence find the value of the resistance of the resistor R.

Resistance of R = _____ Ω

[1]

- (d) Find the current in the $48\ \Omega$ resistor.

Current = _____ mA

[2]

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GCE Physics

Data and Formulae Sheet

Values of constants

speed of light in a vacuum	$c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
elementary charge	$e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
the Planck constant	$h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$
mass of electron	$m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
mass of proton	$m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
acceleration of free fall on the Earth's surface	$g = 9.81 \text{ m s}^{-2}$
electron volt	$1 \text{ eV} = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$

Useful formulae

The following equations may be useful in answering some of the questions in the examination:

Mechanics

Conservation of energy	$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{1}{2}mu^2 = Fs$ for a constant force
Hooke's Law	$F = kx$ (spring constant k)

Sound

$$\text{Sound intensity level/dB} = 10 \lg_{10} \frac{I}{I_0}$$

Waves

$$\text{Two-source interference} \quad \lambda = \frac{ay}{d}$$

Light

$$\text{Lens formula} \quad \frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{f}$$
$$\text{Magnification} \quad m = \frac{v}{u}$$

Electricity

$$\text{Terminal potential difference} \quad V = E - Ir \text{ (E.m.f. } E; \text{ Internal Resistance } r)$$
$$\text{Potential divider} \quad V_{\text{out}} = \frac{R_1 V_{\text{in}}}{R_1 + R_2}$$

Particles and photons

$$\text{de Broglie equation} \quad \lambda = \frac{h}{p}$$



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