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UNIFYING CONCEPTS
IN PHYSICS

- 1 (a) speed as distance per unit time and velocity as displacement per unit time {1}
- velocity requires a direction to be given as well as a magnitude {1} [2]
- OR definition of speed or velocity followed by
- speed as a scalar quantity and velocity as a vector quantity
- (b) elastic materials return to their original shape when a distorting force is removed {1}
- plastic materials are have their shape permanently changed by a distorting force {1} [2]
- Allow in terms of elastic/plastic collisions
- (c) Heat is a form of energy which flows as a result of a temperature gradient {1}
- Temperature is the property of a body which determines the direction of heat flow {1}
- Allow Temperature (of an ideal gas) is proportional to the (mean) kinetic energy of the molecules
- [2]
- (d) fission is when splitting (into two parts releasing energy) takes place and fusion is when joining together takes place {1}
- nuclei as the active particles {1}
- [2]
- (e) kinetic energy is the energy a body possesses by virtue of its speed {1}
- as an energy it is a measure of force x distance {1}
- the rate of change of momentum defines force {1}
- momentum is therefore a measure of force x time {1} [4]
- Other possible answers will score a maximum of 3 unless the force x distance relationship is given for kinetic energy and the force x time relationship is given for momentum
- momentum is always conserved in a collision (in the absence of external forces) {1}
- but kinetic energy may be lost – with qualification of what happens {1}
- kinetic energy is proportional to v^2 but momentum is proportional to v {1}
- kinetic energy is a scalar; momentum is a vector {1}

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2. (a) (i)

capacitor	capacitance / μF	charge / μC	p.d. / V	energy / μJ
X	5	30	$= Q/C$ $= 6 \text{ (V)} \quad \{1\}$	$= \frac{1}{2} CV^2 \{1\}$ $= \frac{1}{2} \times 5 \times 6^2$ $= 90 \quad \{1\}$
Y	25	$= CV$ $= 25 \times 6$ $= 150 \text{ (}\mu\text{C)} \quad \{1\}$	$= 6 \text{ (V)} \quad \{1\}$	$= 450 \quad \{1\}$
Z	10	$30 + 150 =$ $180 \text{ (}\mu\text{C)} \quad \{1\}$	$= Q/C$ $= 180/10$ $= 18 \text{ (V)} \quad \{1\}$	$= 1620 \quad \{1\}$

Each box correctly calculated scores [1] + [1] for $\frac{1}{2} CV^2$

[9]

(ii) 1 $18 \text{ V} + 6 \text{ V} = 24 \text{ (V)}$

{1}

2 $180 \text{ (}\mu\text{C)}$

{1}

3 $180 / 24 = 7.5$

{1}

4 $90 + 450 + 1620 = 2160 \text{ (}\mu\text{J)}$

{1} [4]

(b)(i) Kirchhoff's second law OR conservation of energy

{1}

(ii) Kirchhoff's first law OR conservation of charge

{1} [2]

(c)(i) time constant = CR

{1}

$$= 7.5 \times 10^{-6} \times 200\,000 = 1.5 \text{ (s)}$$

{1} [2]

(ii) $Q = Q_0 e^{-\frac{t}{CR}}$

{1}

$$Q/Q_0 = e^{-4} = 0.0183$$

{1} [2]

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3. (a) work got out / work put in {1} [1]
 OR in terms of power OR as a percentage
 OR percentage of useful output
- (b) e.g. insulation improved by increasing thickness of insulating material {1}
 efficiency dependent so less heat is lost through the insulation {1}
 so less fuel needs to be burnt to heat the house {1}
 so less carbon dioxide is produced {1} [3]
- MAXIMUM 3 points required only but must be in a sensible sequence
- (c)(i) efficiency = $42 \text{ MW} \times t / 120 \text{ MW} \times t$ {1}
 = 0.35 (= 35%) {1} [2]
- (ii) maximum theoretical efficiency = $(750 - 290) / 750$ {1}
 = $460 / 750 = 0.613 (= 61.3\%)$ {1} [2]
- (iii) T_H needs to beraised: T_C needs to belowered {1} [1]
- (iv) 1 e.g. raising T_H would increase the pressure in the turbine (so it might explode)
 OR the materials in it might melt {1}
- 2 e.g. lowering T_C would be very difficult as it is the temperature of the cooling
 water (impossible to wait until winter) {1}
- if done by refrigeration this would need power, (which would reduce overall
 efficiency) AND/ OR the cooling water might freeze {1} [3]
- (v) 0 (zero) K {1} [1]

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- 4 (a) zero (do not allow 'small') {1} [1]
- (b) 300 W for 1 watt therefore 300 W x 20 for 20 W 6000 W {1} [1]
- (c) e.g. if run at 92 K there is a danger that superconductivity will cease as a result of a slight temperature rise {1}
- a 15 K difference provides a safety region {1}
- 77 K is the boiling point of liquid nitrogen {1}
- other sensible suggestion {1}
- MAXIMUM [2] [2]
- (d) (i) area of cross-section of wire = 10^{-6} m^2 {1}
- current = $10^{-6} \text{ m}^2 \times 2.0 \times 10^8 \text{ A m}^{-2}$ {1}
- = 200 A {0} [2]
- (ii) $B = \frac{1.26 \times 10^{-6} \times 200 \times 3200}{2 \times 0.30}$ {1}
- = 1.34 T {1} [2]
- (e) (i) $F = BQv$ {1} [1]
- (ii) $BQv = m \times \frac{v^2}{r}$ {1}
- $r = mv/BQ$ {1}
- $m = 235 \times 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ {1}
- $r = \frac{235 \times 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \times 8.3 \times 10^5}{1.34 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 1.51 \text{ m}$ {1} [4]
- (iii) circular paths for both ions {1}
- U-235 ion with slightly smaller radius {1}
- paths curving upwards {1} [3]

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