



GCE A level

1324/01

PHYSICS – PH4

Oscillations and Fields

P.M. WEDNESDAY, 11 June 2014

1 hour 30 minutes plus your additional time allowance

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Question	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
1.	12	
2.	8	
3.	5	
4.	12	
5.	10	
6.	12	
7.	10	
8	11	
Total	80	

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

In addition to this examination paper, you will require a calculator and a DATA BOOKLET.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink, black ball-point pen or your usual method.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the front cover.

Answer ALL questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

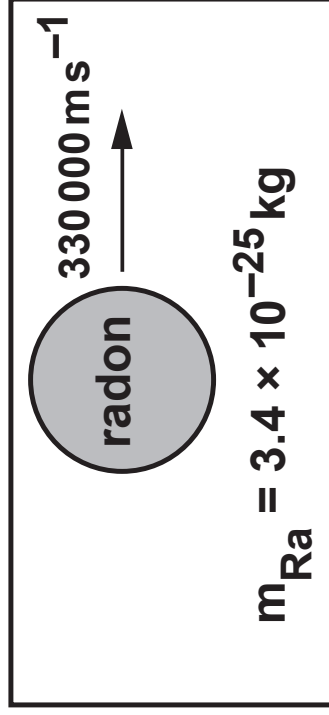
The total number of marks available for this paper is 80.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part question.

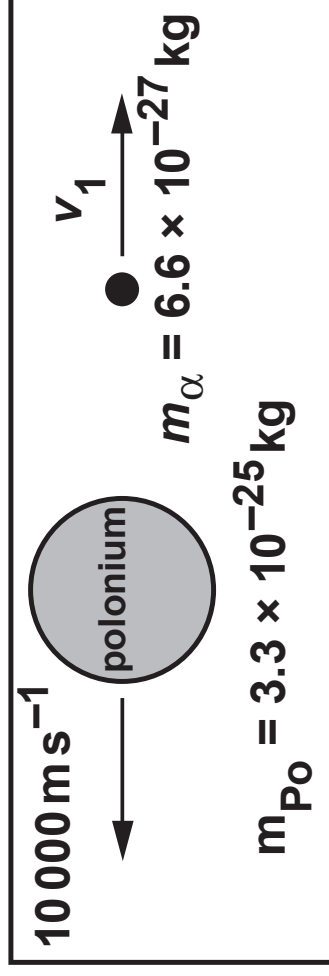
You are reminded of the necessity for good English and orderly presentation in your answers.

You are reminded to show all working. Credit is given for correct working even when the final answer given is incorrect.

BEFORE DECAY



AFTER DECAY



Answer ALL questions

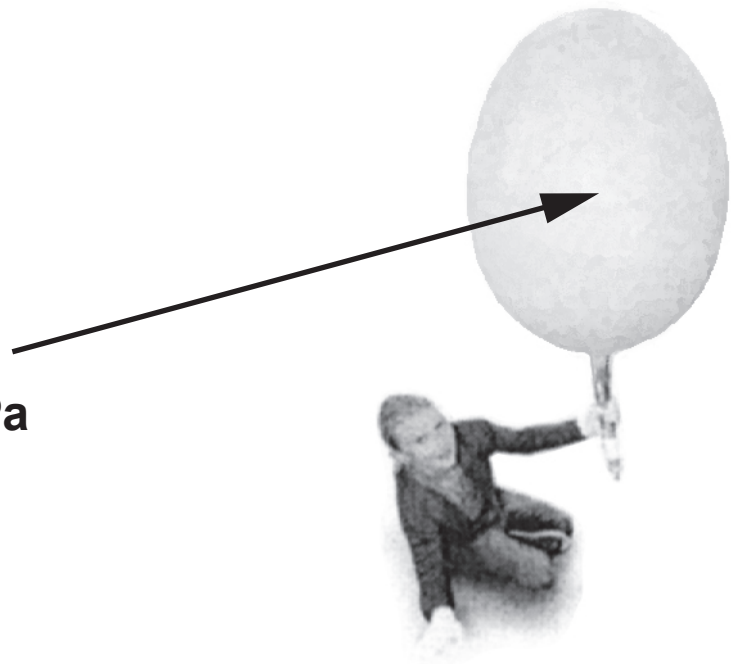
1. A radon nucleus travelling at $330\,000\text{ m s}^{-1}$ decays to produce a polonium nucleus and an alpha particle as shown opposite.
- (a) Use the principle of conservation of momentum to calculate the velocity (v_1) of the alpha particle. [3]

1(b) The polonium nucleus then emits a gamma ray **PERPENDICULAR** to its direction of motion as shown opposite.

(i) Explain why the horizontal velocity component ($10\,000\text{ m s}^{-1}$) of the polonium nucleus is unchanged. [1]

2(a) A helium weather balloon is to be released.

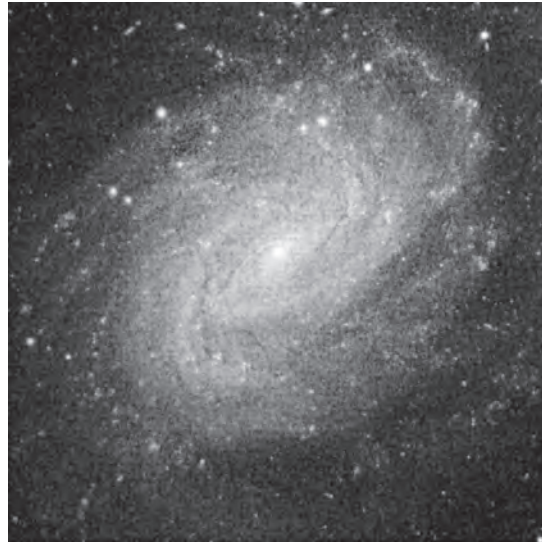
volume = 0.113 m^3
temperature = 293 K
pressure = $1.02 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$



- (i) Show that the density of the helium in the balloon is approximately 0.17 kg m^{-3} .
(The molar mass of helium is $4.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg mol}^{-1}$.) [3]

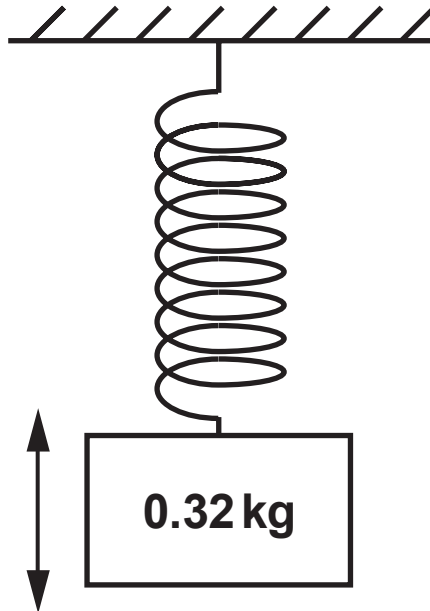
2(a) (ii) Calculate the rms speed of helium molecules in the balloon. [2]

3. A spiral galaxy is analysed and its mass is estimated as 3.5×10^{41} kg.



- (a) Use the equation $V = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{r}}$ to ESTIMATE the orbital speed of dust particles at a distance of 9.3×10^{20} m from the centre of the galaxy. [2]

4. A mass of 0.32 kg oscillates with simple harmonic motion vertically on a spring with a frequency of 3.47 Hz.



- (a) Calculate the spring constant of the spring. [3]

4(b) Show that the angular velocity, ω , of the oscillations is 21.8 rad s^{-1} . [1]

(c) The amplitude of oscillation of the spring is 8.5 cm . Calculate:

(i) the maximum kinetic energy of the mass;

[3]

- 4(c) (ii) the maximum resultant force acting on the mass. [2]

- (d) The displacement of the mass is given by the equation $x = A \sin(\omega t + \epsilon)$. Calculate a valid value for ϵ given that the displacement of the mass is -1.4 cm at time $t = 0.100$ s. [3]

5(a) Define:

(i) the gravitational field strength at a point;

[1]

(ii) the gravitational field strength at a point.

[1]

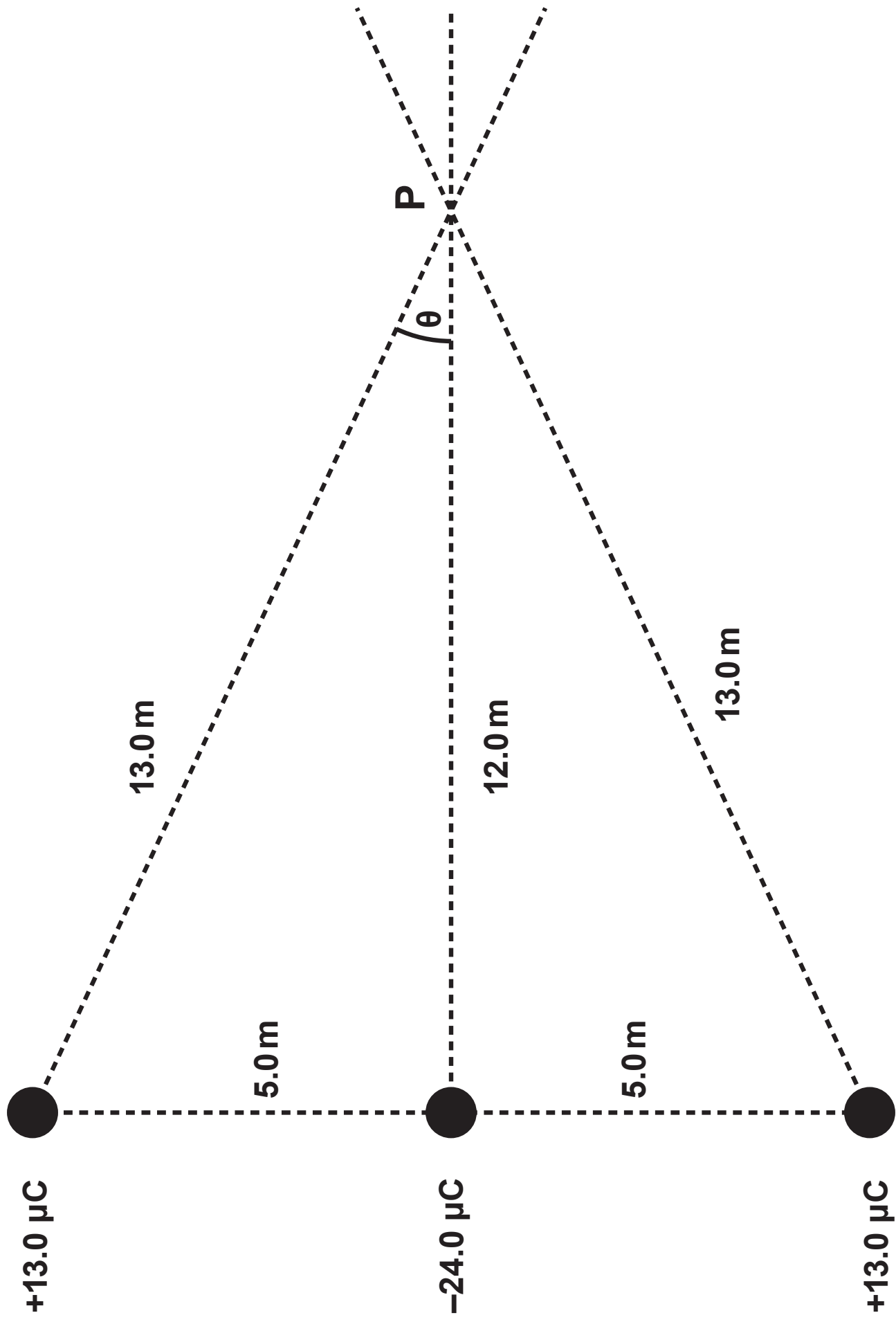
5(b) Charon is the moon of Pluto; it has a mass of 1.5×10^{21} kg and its radius is 600 km.

(i) Calculate the gravitational force exerted by Charon on an object of mass 82 kg on its surface. [2]

(ii) Calculate the gravitational potential energy of the 82 kg mass on Charon's surface (you may ignore Pluto). [2]

5(c) Pluto has a mass of 1.3×10^{22} kg and radius of 1150 km. Calculate the potential energy of the 82 kg mass if it were on the surface of Pluto (you may ignore Charon). [2]

(d) The 82 kg mass is fired from Charon's surface to Pluto. Neglecting any losses due to resistive forces, calculate the change in kinetic energy of the 82 kg mass from the instant it was fired to the instant just before it collides with Pluto. [2]



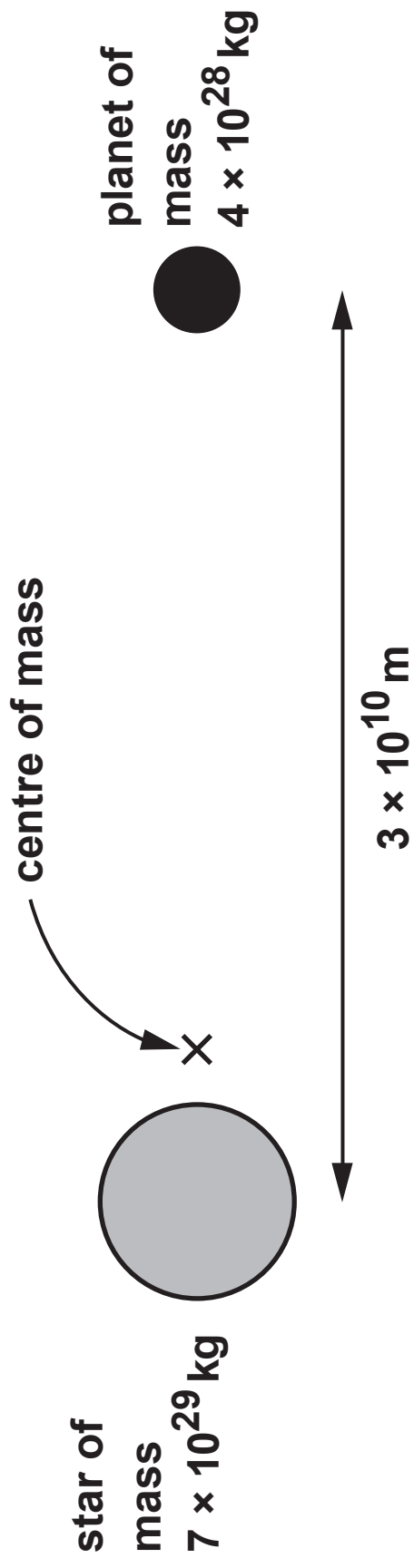
6. Three charges are arranged as shown opposite.

(a) **DRAW THREE ARROWS AT P** to represent the electric fields due to **EACH** of the three charges.

[2]

(b) Calculate the electric field strength at **P** due to the $-24.0 \mu\text{C}$ charge only (you may use

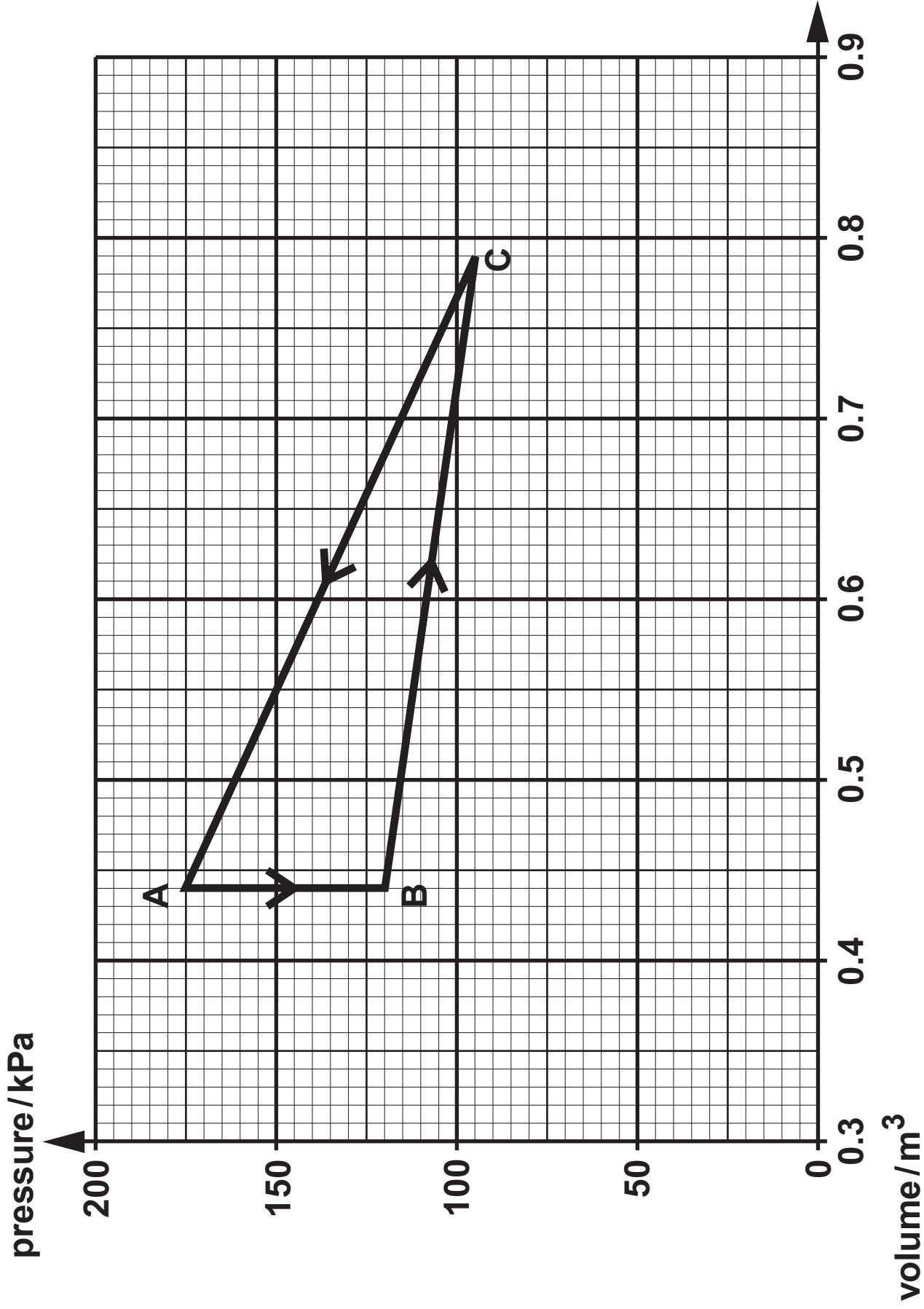
the approximation $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} = 9 \times 10^9 \text{ F}^{-1} \text{ m}$). [2]



7. A star and planet orbit their mutual centre of mass as shown opposite.

(a) Calculate the period of orbit. [2]

(b) Calculate the distance of the centre of mass from the centre of the star. [2]



8. A sample of an ideal monatomic gas is taken through the closed cycle **ABCA** as shown opposite.
- (a) There are **28.9 mol** of gas. The temperatures of points **A** and **B** are **321 K** and **220 K** respectively.
- (i) Show that the temperature of **C** is **313 K**. [2]

8(b) Determine the work done by the gas, W , for:

(i) **AB;** [1]

(ii) **CA.** [2]

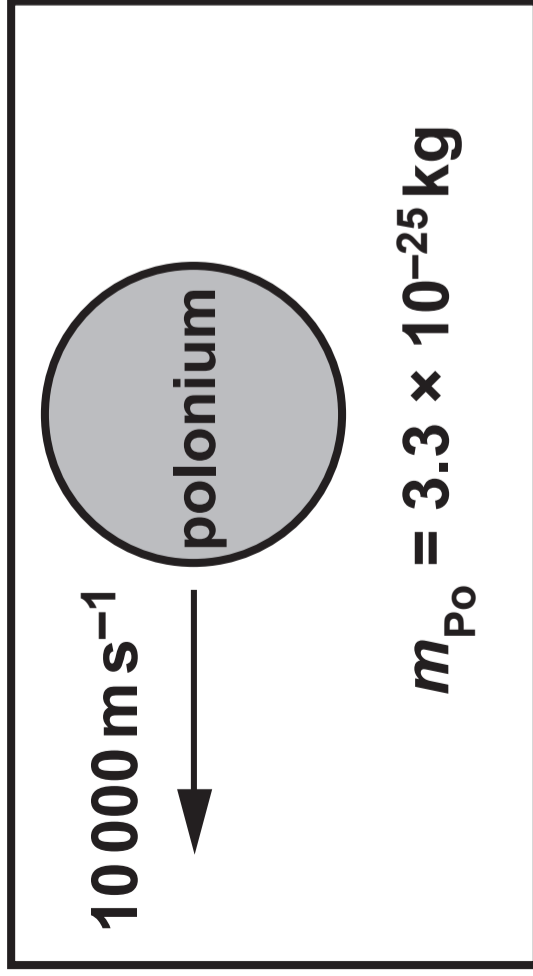
- 8(c) For EACH of the processes **AB**, **BC**, **CA** and the whole cycle **ABCA**, write the values of **W** (the work done by the gas), **ΔU** (the change in internal energy of the gas) and **Q** (the heat supplied to the gas). The numbers in bold have been added to save time with repeated calculations. [4]

	Process			
	AB	BC	CA	ABCA
W		37.6 kJ		
ΔU		33.5 kJ	2.9 kJ	
Q				

8(c) Space for calculations:

END OF PAPER

BEFORE



AFTER

