



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Level Examination
June 2015

Design and Technology: Systems and Control Technology

SYST3

Unit 3 Design and Manufacture

Monday 8 June 2015 9.00 am to 11.00 am

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page unlined answer book, which is provided separately
- normal writing and drawing instruments.

Time allowed

- 2 hours

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Use pencil and coloured pencils only for drawing.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is SYST3.
- Answer **three** questions.
- Answer **one** question from **each** of Sections 1 and 2, and **one other** question from **either** section.
- If you choose to answer a question which has several parts, you should answer **all** parts of the question.
- Do **all** rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 84.
- There are 28 marks for each question.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

- Illustrate your answers with sketches and/or diagrams wherever you feel it is appropriate.

Answer **three** questions.

Answer **one** question from each of Sections 1 and 2 and **one** other question from either section.

For each question that you answer, you should answer **all** parts of that question.

Section 1

Question 1

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 Discuss the relative advantages of using finite and non-finite energy sources for meeting the energy requirements of communities on isolated islands in the UK. **[16 marks]**

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 Describe in detail how **two** of the following could be used to charge a 12 volt battery on an ocean going yacht.

- Wind power
- Solar power
- The yacht's movement through the water

Your answer should make reference to harnessing the power source, energy conversion and how a suitable output is produced. **[2 × 6 marks]**

Question 2

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 With reference to a range of applications, compare the relative advantages of **three** different systems for the transfer and amplification of rotary motion. **[16 marks]**

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 With reference to specific examples, explain when and why you would use anthropometric data related to 90% of the population. **[8 marks]**

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 Discuss why using the average measurements of a representative sample of the population is not necessarily a good idea when designing seating. **[4 marks]**

Question 3

0 6 With reference to a different system or product for each property, explain in detail why the following are important in material selection.

- Conductivity
- Hardness
- Tensile strength
- Toughness

[4 × 4 marks]

0 7 Discuss the environmental advantages and performance limitations of electrically powered vehicles.

[12 marks]

Turn over for Section 2

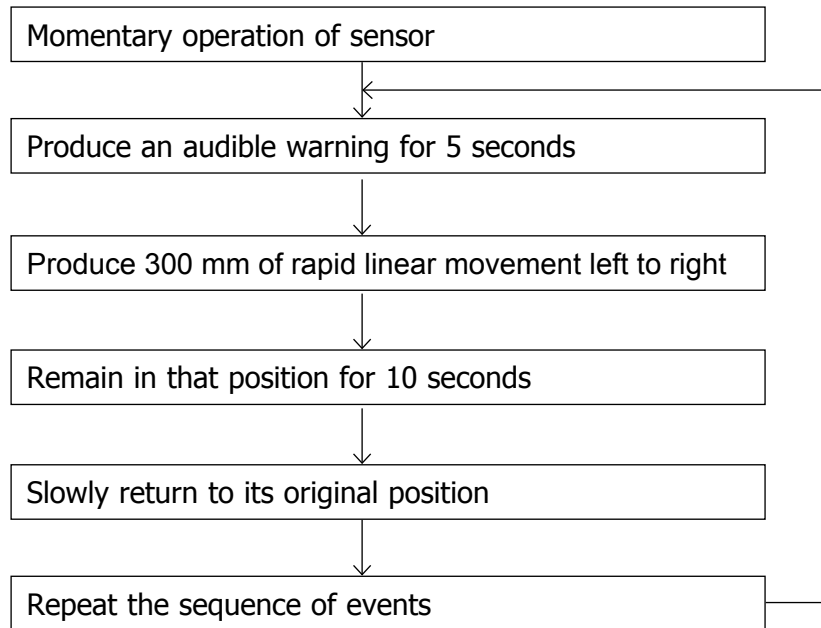
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Section 2

Question 4

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With the aid of annotated sketches, describe a system that would perform the sequence shown in **Figure 1**.

Figure 1**[16 marks]**

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With reference to specific systems or products, discuss the factors to be considered when deciding on suitable methods to use for joining metals.

[12 marks]**Question 5**

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With the aid of diagrams, describe how the output from a microcontroller can be used to produce bi-directional rotary movement to an accuracy of 0.1 of a degree.

[16 marks]

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With the aid of diagrams, explain in detail how it is possible to monitor and display a temperature range of 0 – 60° Celsius using a microcontroller.

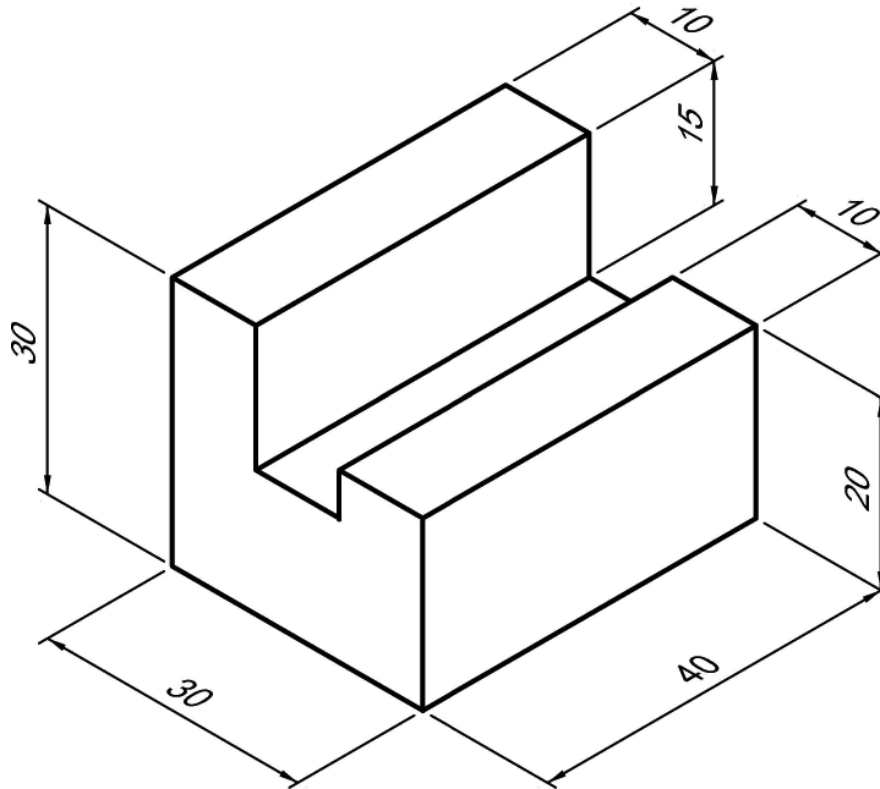
[12 marks]

Question 6

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With the aid of annotated sketches, describe in detail how the plastic component shown in **Figure 2** could be accurately fabricated from 10 mm acrylic sheet.

Figure 2



All dimensions shown are in millimetres.

Your answer should make reference to:

- production of the separate pieces
- suitable joining methods
- how the required level of accuracy is achieved
- the stages in the production process
- the processes, tools and equipment used.

[12 marks]

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With the aid of annotated sketches describe in detail how the component shown in **Figure 2** could be mass produced using a deformation/redistribution process from a suitable variety of plastic (polymer).

[16 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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