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Module 2: Waves, Photons and Medical Physics

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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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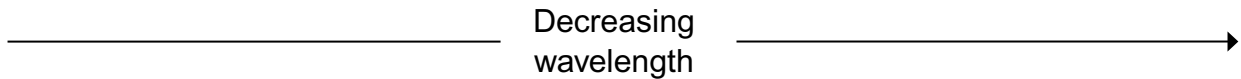
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1 Electromagnetic waves have wavelengths in the range from about 10^{-14} m to about 10^4 m and form a spectrum. The spectrum is divided into seven regions. Waves within a region have common properties. For example, visible light is that region of the spectrum detected by the eye.

(a) Name the seven regions of the electromagnetic spectrum in order of **decreasing** wavelength. Answer in the spaces provided.

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(b) State a typical wavelength for visible light.

Wavelength = _____

[1]

(c) An electromagnetic wave from a different region of the spectrum has a frequency of 620 GHz. What is its wavelength if it is travelling in a vacuum?

Wavelength = _____ m

[3]

2 Snell's law of refraction states:

The ratio of the sine of the angle of incidence to the sine of the angle of refraction is a constant for any two transparent materials.

Describe an experiment to verify Snell's law when the transparent materials are air and glass.

In your description you should:

- (a) draw a labelled diagram of the apparatus and its arrangement,
- (b) describe how the apparatus is used to obtain the angles of incidence and refraction required.

(a) Labelled diagram



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(b) Use of apparatus to obtain angles of incidence and refraction

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- 4 The graphical representation of a standing wave on a stretched string is shown in **Fig. 4.1**.

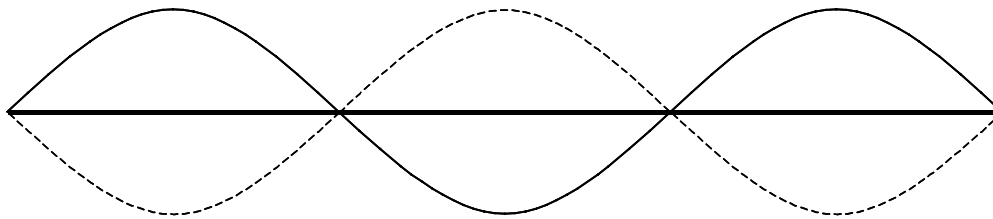


Fig. 4.1

- (a) Which mode of vibration (resonance vibration) is represented in **Fig. 4.1**?

Mode of vibration = _____ [1]

- (b) On **Fig. 4.1**, clearly mark the position of **one** antinode (label this A). [1]

- (c) The distance between two consecutive antinodes is 0.08 m. What is the wavelength of the standing wave?

Wavelength = _____ m [1]

- (d) On **Fig. 4.2**, draw the fundamental or first mode of vibration. The original string has been drawn for you.

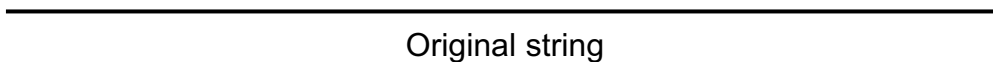


Fig. 4.2

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As appropriate in this question, you should answer in continuous prose. You will be assessed on the quality of your written communication.

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5 (a) Explain what is meant by the term **diffraction**.

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(b) **Fig. 5.1** is a scale diagram showing parallel wavefronts approaching an aperture. Complete **Fig. 5.1** by carefully drawing **four** wavefronts after they have passed through the aperture.

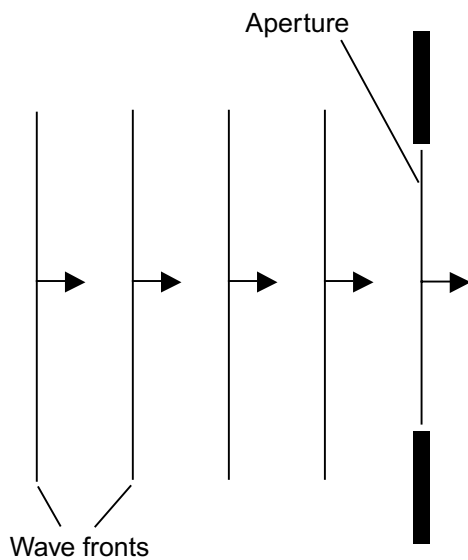


Fig. 5.1 [3]

(c) In terms of diffraction, explain why people can hear a conversation through an open door even when they cannot see the people talking.

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- 6 An experiment is conducted to measure the speed of sound in air using a resonance tube and tuning forks. The frequency of each tuning fork is recorded and the corresponding tube length at the first position of resonance measured. The data are recorded in **Table 6.1**.

Table 6.1

Frequency/Hz	256	288	320	456	512
Tube length/m	0.312	0.277	0.258	0.189	0.166
$\left(\frac{1}{\text{tube length}}\right)/\text{m}^{-1}$					

- (a) Calculate the values of $1/(\text{tube length})$ and complete the row in **Table 6.1**.

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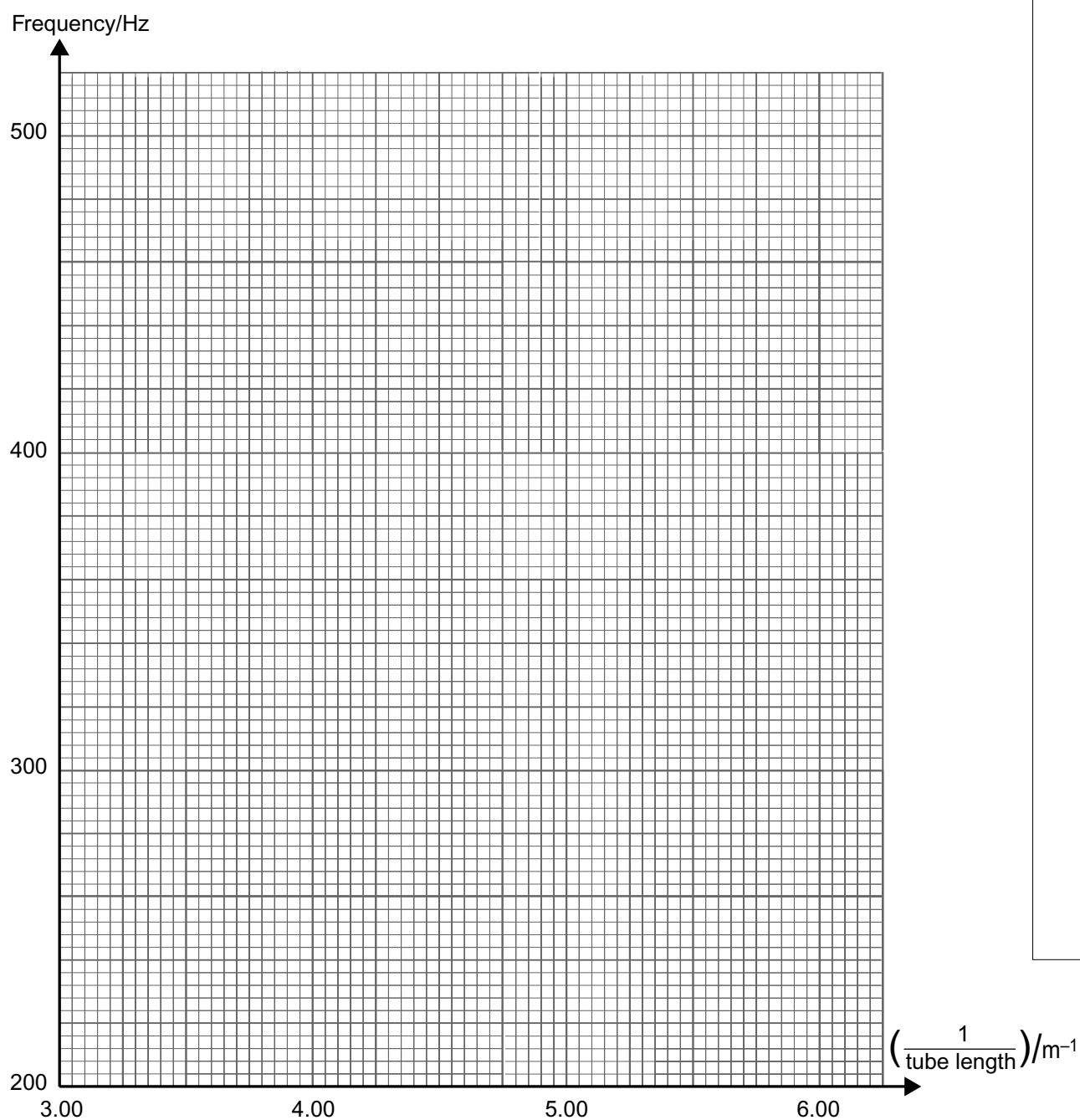


Fig. 6.1

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- 9 The term 'laser' stands for Light Amplification by the Stimulated Emission of Radiation.

Fig. 9.1 illustrates the electron arrangement within the atoms of a laser before it has been switched on. Most of the electrons are in their ground state with an occasional electron in an excited state.

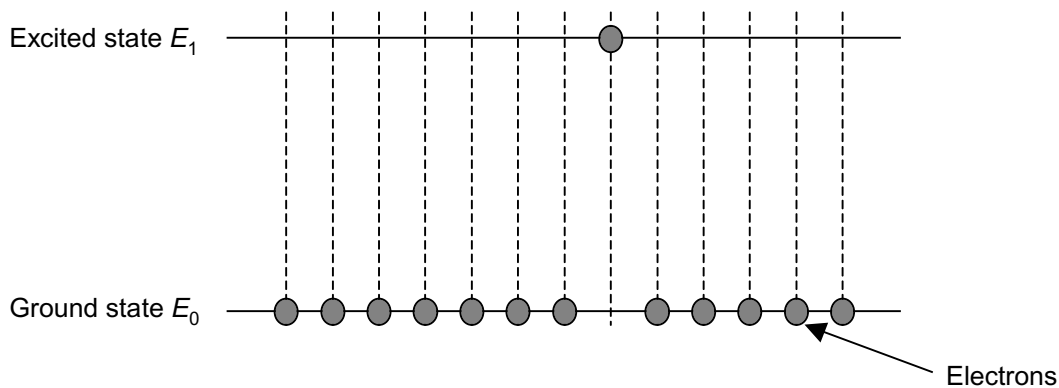


Fig. 9.1

- (a) (i) On **Fig. 9.2** draw a possible electron arrangement when the laser is switched on.

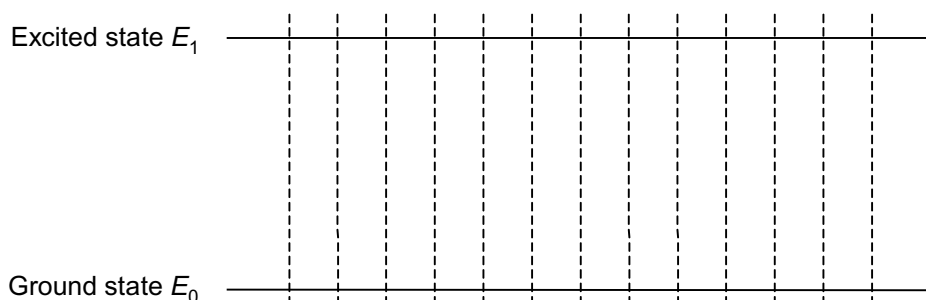


Fig. 9.2

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- (ii) What name is given to this situation?

Name _____ [1]

- (b) Spontaneous emission occurs when an electron randomly falls to the ground state. What causes the electron to fall due to **stimulated** emission?

_____ [1]

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- (c) Laser eye surgery uses a computer-controlled excimer laser. One such laser has argon fluoride as the lasing material. It produces electromagnetic radiation of wavelength 193 nm.

Calculate the energy of an electron's excited state if it relaxes to a state with an energy of -9.18 eV and emits radiation of wavelength 193 nm as a result.

Energy _____ eV

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10 The de Broglie formula is quoted in your Data and Formulae Sheet as **Equation 10.1**.

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$$

Equation 10.1

(a) What does each of the terms represent?

$\lambda =$ _____

$h =$ _____

$p =$ _____

[1]

(b) Fig. 10.1 is a graph of $1/p$ against λ .

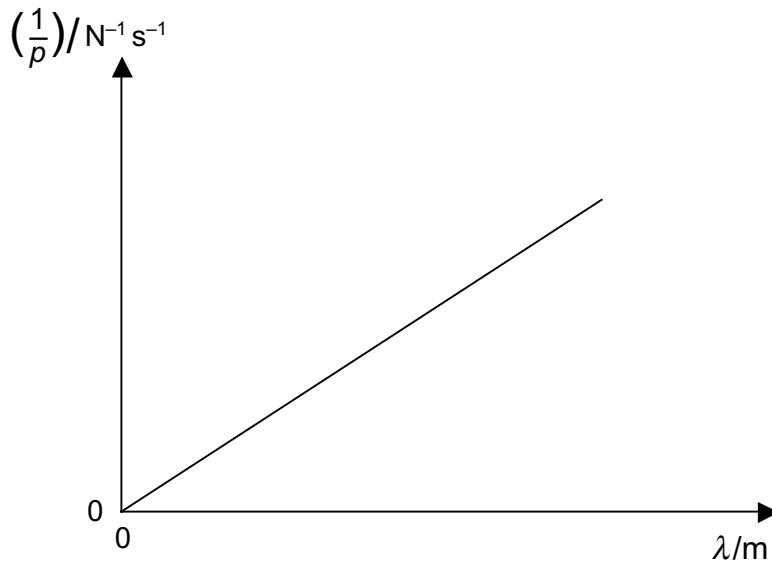


Fig. 10.1

State the **numerical** value for the gradient of the graph in **Fig. 10.1**. Include its units.

Gradient = _____

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Unit _____

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- (c) Calculate the de Broglie wavelength of an electron moving at 90% of the speed of light in a vacuum.

Wavelength _____ m

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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

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

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

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

Electricity

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

Particles and photons

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