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Section A

1	**(a)**	**(i)**	number of molecules		B1	[1]
		(ii)	mean square speed		B1	[1]
	(b)	**(i)**	**1.**	*pV* = *nRT*	C1	
				$n = (6.1 \times 10^5 \times 2.1 \times 10^4 \times 10^{-6}) / (8.31 \times 285)$	C1	
				n = 5.4 mol	A1	[3]
			2.	*either* $N = nN_A$		
				$= 5.4 \times 6.02 \times 10^{23}$	C1	
				$= 3.26 \times 10^{24}$	A1	
				or		
				pV = *NkT*		
				$N = (6.1 \times 10^5 \times 2.1 \times 10^4 \times 10^{-6}) / (1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 285)$	(C1)	
				$N = 3.26 \times 10^{24}$	(A1)	[2]
		(ii)	*either* $6.1 \times 10^5 \times 2.1 \times 10^{-2} = {}^1/_3 \times 3.25 \times 10^{24} \times 4 \times 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \times \langle c^2 \rangle$		C1	
			$\langle c^2 \rangle = 1.78 \times 10^6$		C1	
			$c_{RMS} = 1.33 \times 10^3\ \text{m s}^{-1}$		A1	
			or			
			${}^1/_2 \times 4 \times 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \times \langle c^2 \rangle = {}^3/_2 \times 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 285$		(C1)	
			$\langle c^2 \rangle = 1.78 \times 10^6$		(C1)	
			$c_{RMS} = 1.33 \times 10^3\ \text{m s}^{-1}$		(A1)	[3]
2	**(a)**	**(i)**	**1.**	0.1 s, 0.3 s, 0.5 s, etc (*any two*)	A1	[1]
			2.	either 0, 0.4 s, 0.8 s, 1.2 s		
				or		
				0.2 s, 0.6 s, 1.0 s (*any two*)	A1	[1]
		(ii)	period = 0.4 s		C1	
			frequency = (1/0.4 =) 2.5 Hz		A1	[2]
		(iii)	phase difference = 90° *or* ½ π rad		B1	[1]
	(b)	frequency = 2.4 – 2.5 Hz			B1	[1]
	(c)	e.g. attach sheet of card to trolley			M1	
		increases damping / frictional force			A1	
		e.g. reduce oscillator amplitude			(M1)	
		reduces power/energy input to system			(A1)	[2]

3	(a)	(i) (tangent to line gives) direction of force on a (small test) mass	B1	[1]
		(ii) (tangent to line gives) direction of force on a (small test) charge	M1	
		charge is positive	A1	[2]
	(b)	similarity: e.g. radial fields lines normal to surface greater separation of lines with increased distance from sphere field strength $\propto$ 1 / (distance to centre of sphere)^2 (*allow any sensible answer*)	B1	
		difference: e.g. gravitational force (always) towards sphere	B1	
		electric force direction depends on sign of charge on sphere / towards or away from sphere	B1	
		e.g. gravitational field/force is attractive	(B1)	
		electric field/force is attractive or repulsive	(B1)	
		(*allow any sensible comparison*)		[3]
	(c)	gravitational force = $1.67 \times 10^{-27} \times 9.81$		
		$= 1.6 \times 10^{-26}$ N	A1	
		electric force $= 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 270 / (1.8 \times 10^{-2})$	C1	
		$= 2.4 \times 10^{-15}$ N	A1	
		electric force very much greater than gravitational force	B1	[4]
4	(a)	force on proton is normal to velocity and field	M1	
		provides centripetal force (for circular motion)	A1	[2]
	(b)	magnetic force = Bqv	B1	
		centripetal force = $mr\omega^2$ *or* mv^2/r	B1	
		$v = r\omega$	B1	
		$Bqv = Bqr\omega = mr\omega^2$		
		$\omega = Bq/m$	A1	[4]
5	(a)	*either* $\phi = BA \sin\theta$	M1	
		where A is the area (through which flux passes)		
		θ is the angle between B and (plane of) A	A1	
		or		
		$\phi = BA$	(M1)	
		where A is area normal to B	(A1)	[2]
	(b)	graph: V_H constant and non zero between the poles and zero outside	M1	
		sharp increase/decrease at ends of magnet	A1	[2]

	(c)	**(i)**	(induced) e.m.f. proportional to rate of change of (magnetic) flux (linkage)	M1 A1	[2]
		(ii)	short pulse on entering and on leaving region between poles pulses approximately the same shape but opposite polarities e.m.f. zero between poles and outside	M1 A1 A1	[3]
6	**(a)**	**(i)**	connection to 'top' of resistor labelled as positive	B1	[1]
		(ii)	diode B and diode D	B1	[1]
	(b)	**(i)**	$V_P = 4.0\,V$ mean power = $V_P^2/2R$ $= 4^2 / (2 \times 2700)$ $= 2.96 \times 10^{-3}\,W$	C1 C1 A1	[3]
		(ii)	capacitor, correct symbol, connected in parallel with R	B1	[1]
	(c)		graph: half-wave rectification same period and same peak value	M1 A1	[2]
7	**(a)**		wavelength associated with a particle that is moving	M1 A1	[2]
	(b)	**(i)**	kinetic energy = $1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 4700$ $= 7.52 \times 10^{-16}\,J$ *either* energy = $p^2/2m$ *or* $E_K = ½mv^2$ *and* $p = mv$ $p = \sqrt{(7.52 \times 10^{-16} \times 2 \times 9.1 \times 10^{-31})}$ $= 3.7 \times 10^{-23}\,N\,s$ $\lambda = h/p$ $= (6.63 \times 10^{-34}) / (3.7 \times 10^{-23})$ $= 1.8 \times 10^{-11}\,m$	C1 C1 C1 C1 A1	[5]
		(ii)	wavelength is about separation of atoms can be used in (electron) diffraction	B1 B1	[2]
8	**(a)**	**(i)**	$x = 2$	A1	[1]
		(ii)	*either* beta particle *or* electron	B1	[1]
	(b)	**(i)**	mass of separate nucleons = {(92 × 1.007) + (143 × 1.009)} u = 236.931 u binding energy = 236.931 u – 235.123 u = 1.808 u	C1 C1 A1	[3]

(ii)	$E = mc^2$	C1	
	energy = $1.808 \times 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \times (3.0 \times 10^8)^2$		
	$= 2.7 \times 10^{-10}$ J	C1	
	binding energy per nucleon = $(2.7 \times 10^{-10}) / (235 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-13})$	M1	
	= 7.18 MeV	A0	[3]

(c)	energy released = (95 × 8.09) + (139 × 7.92) – (235 × 7.18)	C1	
	= 1869.43 – 1687.3		
	= 182 MeV	A1	[2]
	(*allow calculation using mass difference between products and reactants*)		

Section B

9	**(a)**		light-emitting diode (*allow LED*)	B1	[1]
	(b)		gives a high or a low output / +5 V or –5 V output	M1	
			dependent on which of the inputs is at a higher potential	A1	[2]
	(c)	**(i)**	provides a reference/constant potential	B1	[1]
		(ii)	determines temperature of 'switch-over'	B1	[1]
	(d)	**(i)**	relay	A1	[1]
		(ii)	relay connected correctly for op-amp output and high-voltage circuit	B1	
			diode with correct polarity in output from op-amp	B1	[2]
10	**(a)**		background reading = 19	B1	[1]
	(b)		A = 2	A1	
			B = 5	A1	
			C = 9	A1	
			D = 3	A1	[4]
			(*Allow 1 mark if only subtracts background reading*)		
	(c)	**(i)**	*either* 5, 14 *or* 14, 5 (A+D, B+C or *v.v.*)	B1	[1]
		(ii)	Three numbers and 'inside' number is 8 (B+D)	B1	
			Three numbers and 'outside' numbers are *either* 2,9 *or* 9,2 (A,C or *v.v.*)	B1	[2]
11	**(a)**		high frequency wave	B1	
			the amplitude or the frequency is varied	M1	
			the variation represents the information signal /		
			in synchrony with (the displacement of) the information signal.	A1	[3]

(b) e.g. shorter aerial required
longer transmission range / lower transmitter power / less attenuation
allows more than one station in a region
less distortion
(*allow any three sensible suggestions, 1 mark each*) B3 [3]

12 (a) (i) e.g. linking a (land) telephone to the (local) exchange B1 [1]

(ii) e.g. connecting an aerial to a television B1 [1]

(iii) e.g. linking a ground station to a satellite B1 [1]

(b) (i) attenuation = 10 lg (P_2 / P_1) C1
total attenuation = 2.1 × 40 (= 84 dB) C1
84 = 10 lg ({450×10^{-3}} / P)
$P = 1.8 \times 10^{-9}$ W A1 [3]
(*answer 1.1×10^{8} W scores 1 mark only*)

(ii) maximum attenuation = 10 lg ({450×10^{-3}} / {7.2×10^{-11}})
= 98 dB C1
maximum length = 98/2.1
= 47 km A1 [2]