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**MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2012 question paper  
for the guidance of teachers**

**0625 PHYSICS**

**0625/23**

Paper 2 (Core Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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## NOTES ABOUT MARK SCHEME

- B marks** are independent marks, which do not depend on any other marks. For a B mark to be scored, the point to which it refers must actually be seen in the candidate's answer.
- M marks** are method marks upon which accuracy marks (A marks) later depend. For an M mark to be scored, the point to which it refers **must** be seen in a candidate's answer. If a candidate fails to score a particular M mark, then none of the dependent A marks can be scored.
- C marks** are compensatory method marks which can be scored even if the points to which they refer are not written down by the candidate, provided subsequent working gives evidence that they must have known it, e.g. if an equation carries a C mark and the candidate does not write down the actual equation but does correct working which shows he knew the equation, then the C mark is scored.
- A marks** are accuracy or answer marks which either depend on an M mark, or which are one of the ways which allow a C mark to be scored.
- c.a.o.** means "correct answer only".
- e.c.f.** means "error carried forward". This indicates that if a candidate has made an earlier mistake and has carried his incorrect value forward to subsequent stages of working, he may be given marks indicated by e.c.f. provided his subsequent working is correct, bearing in mind his earlier mistake. This prevents a candidate being penalised more than once for a particular mistake, but **only** applies to marks annotated "e.c.f."
- e.e.o.o.** means "each error or omission".
- brackets ( )** around words or units in the mark scheme are intended to indicate wording used to clarify the mark scheme, but the marks do not depend on seeing the words or units in brackets, e.g. 10 (J) means that the mark is scored for 10, regardless of the unit given.
- underlining** indicates that this must be seen in the answer offered, or something very similar.
- OR/or** indicates alternative answers, any one of which is satisfactory for scoring the marks.
- Spelling** Be generous about spelling and use of English. If an answer can be understood to mean what we want, give credit.
- Significant figures**  
Answers are acceptable to any number of significant figures > 2, except if specified otherwise, or if only 1 sig. fig. is appropriate.
- Units** Incorrect units are not penalised, except where specified. More commonly, marks are allocated for specific units.
- Fractions** These are only acceptable where specified.
- Extras** Ignore extras in answers if they are irrelevant; if they contradict an otherwise correct response or are forbidden by mark scheme, use right + wrong = 0
- Ignore** Indicates that something which is not correct is disregarded and does not cause a right plus wrong penalty.
- Not/NOT** Indicates that an incorrect answer is not to be disregarded, but cancels another otherwise correct alternative offered by the candidate i.e. right plus wrong penalty applies.

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1	(a) (i) BC OR 40 – 70 OR 2nd section	B1
	(ii) AB OR 0 – 40 OR 1st section	B1
	(b) (i) area under graph OR speed × time seen or used	C1
	70–40 OR 30	C1
	8 × 30 e.c.f.	C1
	240 (m)	A1
	(ii) 7 × 10 OR average speed × time	
	OR area of triangle + area of rectangle	C1
	70 (m)	A1
	(c) line down from D to axis at 110s (need not be straight)	B1
		<b>[Total: 9]</b>
2	(a) 76 (cmHg)	B1
	(b) 60 – 50	C1
	candidate's (a) + or – 10 e.c.f.	C1
	86 (cmHg) c.a.o.	A1
	(c) L.H. goes up	B1
	R.H. goes down	B1
		<b>[Total: 6]</b>
3	(a) diagonal, top L to bottom R, drawn (accept any part of this diagonal)	B1
	(b) within range 23 – 27 (°)	B1
	(c) candidate's (b)	B1
	(d) larger angle before toppling	B1
		<b>[Total: 4]</b>
4	(a) (i) gravitational/potential/GPE/PE	B1
	(ii) force/mass/weight AND height/distance	C1
	force/mass/weight <u>of (basket) of rocks</u> AND height/distance <u>of cliff</u>	A1
	(b) chemical/chemical PE NOT just PE	B1
	(c) time	M1
	to raise basket up cliff	A1
		<b>[Total: 6]</b>

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5	(a)	clear cross/dot at centre of waves	B1
	(b)	wave approximating to a "sine" wave	M1
		equal spacing, by eye	} any 1
		amplitude greater at one end/centre than other waves above and below equilibrium line	
	(c)	(i) constant (in any direction)	B1
		same in all directions	B1
		(ii) concentric circle	M1
		same spacing as others, by eye (allow free-hand drawing)	A1
			<b>[Total: 7]</b>
6	(a)	0 and 100	B1
	(b)	(i) expands	B1
		(ii) moves along the tube/up/to the right	B1
		stops at/near 100 mark/100°C/100/temp of boiling water	B1
	(c)	arrow pointing to somewhere between RH end of bulb & –10 mark	B1
			<b>[Total: 5]</b>
7	(a)	any large surface, stated or example e.g. wall/cliff/mountain	B1
	(b)	(i) when hears bang/sees flash	B1
		(ii) when hears echo	B1
	(c)	(i) use of 2.25 (s)	C1
		speed = distance/time in any form OR 2×distance/time	C1
		720/2.25 OR 360/2.25	
		allow e.c.f. from time, if working shown	C1
		320 (m/s) c.a.o.	A1
		(ii) distance from firework	} any 1
		reaction time, however expressed	
		stretching tape	
		wind	
			<b>[Total: 8]</b>

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- 8 (a) molecules/atoms/particles oscillating/vibrating  
bigger vibrations/amplitude/spacing when heated B1  
B1
- (b) (i) appropriate situation + problem  
e.g. telegraph wires + contract in cold weather M1  
description of solution e.g. allowed to sag between poles A1
- (ii) appropriate example e.g. fitting metal tyres M1  
description of procedure e.g. heat tyres before fitting A1  
**[Total: 6]**
- 9 (a) moves/deflects M1  
momentary (or equivalent) OR goes back to zero/centre A1
- (b) moves/deflects in other direction B1
- (c) e.m.f./electromagnetic force/current/voltage/p.d. B1  
induced B1  
(allow B1 for magnetic field is changed)  
**[Total: 5]**
- 10 (a) line with negative slope throughout B1  
negative intercept on  $I$  axis B1
- (b)  $R = V/I$  in any form C1  
 $2/5$  C1  
 $0.4$  (A) A1
- (c) (i)  $20$  ( $\Omega$ ) B1  
(ii)  $0.1$  (A) B1
- (d) idea of current halved, so resistance doubled C1  
 $5$  OR  $5.0$  ( $\Omega$ ) A1
- (e) heating and magnetism ticked  $-1$  e.e.o.o. B2  
**[Total: 11]**

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- 11 (a) diagram:  
 source, solid absorber, detector shown in line B1
- method:  
 distance between source & detector small/<5cm B1  
 take reading with no absorber B1  
 insert sheet of paper/aluminium (ignore thickness) B1  
 take reading with absorber present B1
- identification:  
 if no/background reading with paper absorber, then  $\alpha$   
 OR if still get a reading, then  $\beta$  B1
- (NOTE no mark for identification based on *Al* absorber)
- (b) in range 15–20 (mins) B1  
**[Total: 7]**
- 12 (a) (i) nucleus B1
- (ii) electron(s) B1
- (b) (i) proton(s) B1
- (ii) 2 B1
- (iii) 4 at top B1  
 2 at bottom B1  
**[Total: 6]**