

**MARK SCHEME for the October/November 2011 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 SYMBOLS & OTHER MATTERS

- 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** Answers are acceptable to any number of significant figures  $\geq 2$ , except if figures 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.

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Not/NOT Indicates that an incorrect answer is not to be disregarded, but cancelled out by an otherwise correct alternative offered by the candidate i.e. right plus wrong, where applicable.

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- 1 (a) 25km
- (b) (i) accelerating OR increasing speed B1  
(ii) steady/constant speed B1  
(iii) decelerating OR retarding OR slowing down B1
- (c) less than B1 [5]
- 2 (a) Brownian (motion) B1
- (b) bombardment by (water) molecules/particles/atoms random OR from all directions M1  
A1 [3]
- 3 (a) strain/elastic/potential B1
- (b) Y OR vertical OR straight down B1
- (c) (i) 1. number of oscillations/vibrations/swings per second/unit time NOT in a certain time M1  
A1  
2. displacement/distance from mean position maximum M1  
A1  
(note: XY or YZ score M1A1)
- (ii) decreases or equivalent B1
- (d) Y OR vertical OR straight down B1 [8]
- 4 (a) (i) liquid B1  
(ii) gas/vapour B1  
(iii) liquid B1
- (b) condensation B1
- (c) decreases OR given to the jug/surroundings OR changes to another form B1 [5]
- 5 (a) 30.98 – 30.72 C1  
0.26 (g) A1

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- (b)  $D = M/V$  in any form  
 candidate's 0.26/200  
 0.0013 e.c.f. from (a)  
 $g/cm^3$       C1  
 A1  
 B1
- 6 (a) (i) reflection OR wave bounces back from large object/sea bed      M1  
 A1
- (ii) speed = distance/time in any form      C1  
 $1500 \times 0.8$       C1  
 1200 (m)      A1
- (iii) 600 (m) OR  $\frac{1}{2} \times$  candidate's (ii), correctly evaluated      B1
- (b) line with positive gradient      M1  
 straight line OR meets horizontal axis to right of graph origin      A1 [8]
- 7 (a) (i) image behind mirror      M1  
 image same distance from mirror, by eye and image-object line perpendicular to mirror, by eye      A1
- (ii) (ignore any arrows)  
 reflected ray reaching eye      B1  
 direction of reflected ray coming from image      B1
- (b) HIS      B1
- (c) both rays straight on at first surface      B1  
 30° prism ray refracted down in air at 2<sup>nd</sup> surface      B1  
 45° prism ray reflected down in glass at 2<sup>nd</sup> surface      M1  
 90° reflection, by eye      A1  
 straight on at 3<sup>rd</sup> surface      A1 [10]
- 8 (a) (i) limit/control current OR adjust resistance      B1
- (ii) ammeter shows a reading      B1
- (iii) copper and iron ticked -1 e.e.o.o.      B1
- (b) (i) voltmeter NOT voltameter      B1
- (ii) voltmeter shown in parallel to heater  
 (condone incorrect symbol if clear it is a voltmeter) NO e.c.f. from (i)      B1
- (c) (i) top heater and switch correctly connected      B1  
 middle 2 heaters and switch correctly connected      B1

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- (ii)  $R = V/I$  in any form  
250/2.5  
100  
ohm OR  $\Omega$  C1  
A1  
B1
- (iii) smaller ticked B1 [12]
  
- 9 (a) (i) iron OR ferromagnetic B1  
unmagnetised (before being brought near magnet) NOT non-magnetic B1
- (ii) magnet B1
  
- (b) attracts (at first) NOT goes towards B1  
repels after touching OR angle of thread increases as XY decreases B1 [5]
  
- 10 (a) (i) deflection (in one direction) M1  
idea of momentary OR goes back to zero again A1
- (ii) idea of same as (i) but opposite direction B1
  
- (b) larger B1
  
- (c) smaller B1
  
- (d) nothing OR small oscillations about zero position OR blurred light spot B1 [6]
  
- 11 (a) (i) background  
contaminated surfaces (any sort)  
other radioactive material nearby  
radiation from rocks/soil  
cosmic rays/radiation from space  
radon gas from ground } any 1  
B1
- (ii) 136/4 C1  
34 (counts/min) A1
  
- (b) (i) alpha OR  $\alpha$  B1
- (ii) 876 – (a figure between 131 and 136, inclusive) C1  
division by 4 C1  
185 – 186 (counts/min) A1 [7]
  
- 12 (a) (i) 3 B1
- (ii) 3 e.c.f. (i) B1

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(iii) 4

(iv) 7 OR candidate's (i) + (iii), correctly evaluated

B1

(b) 7  
and  
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e.c.f. from (ii) and (iv)

B1 [5]