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**PHYSICAL SCIENCES: PAPER I**

**MARKING GUIDELINES**

Time: 3 hours

200 marks

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**QUESTION 1**

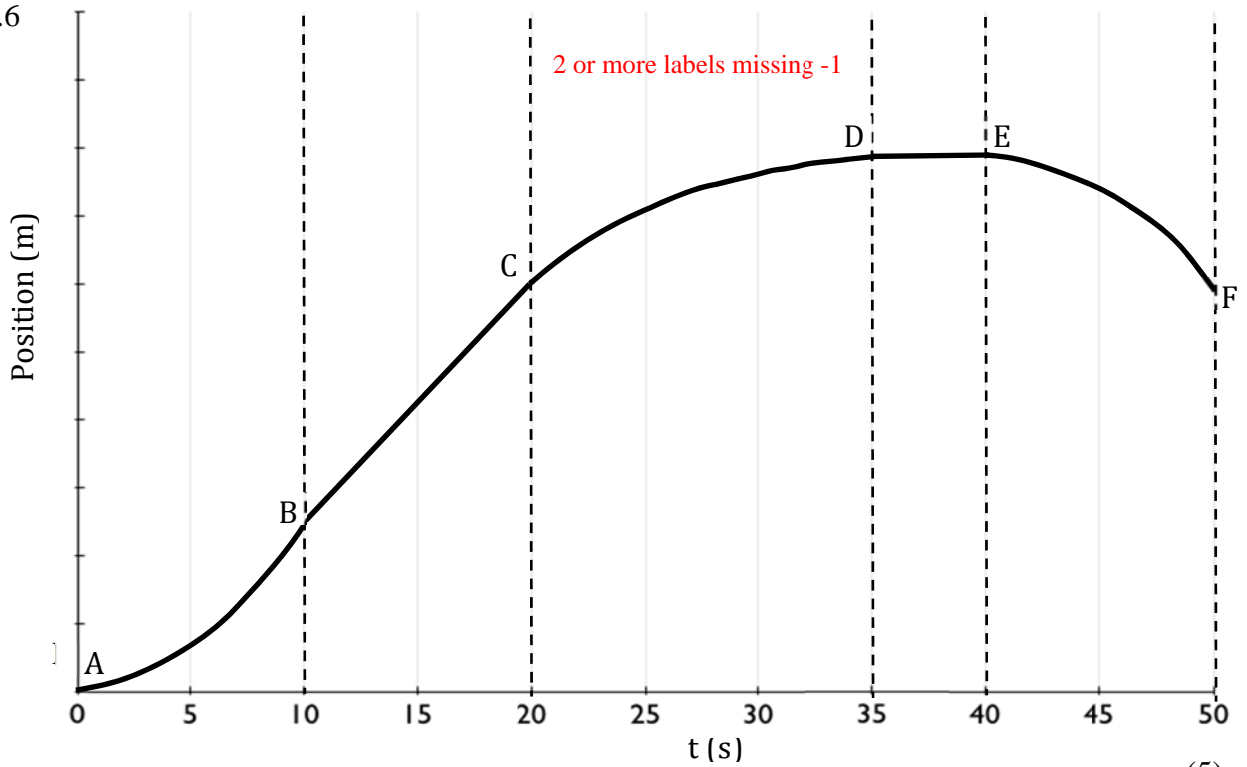
- 1.1 C  
 1.2 C  
 1.3 A  
 1.4 B  
 1.5 C  
 1.6 C  
 1.7 D  
 1.8 B  
 1.9 D  
 1.10 C

(2 × 10 = 20)  
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**QUESTION 2**

- 2.1.1  $a = \text{slope of } v\text{-}t \text{ graph OR } \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}$  OR  $v = u + at$   
 $a = \frac{0-4}{35-20}$   $0 = 4 + a(15)$   
 $a = -0,27$   $a = -0,27$   
 $a = \mathbf{0,27 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-2} \text{ West}}$   $a = \mathbf{0,27 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-2} \text{ West}}$  (4)
- 2.1.2 **0-10 s (A-B) and 40-50 s (E-F)** (2)
- 2.1.3 *displacement is a change in position* (2)
- 2.1.4  $s = \text{area under } v\text{-}t \text{ graph}$   
 $s = \frac{1}{2}(10)(4) + (10)(4) + \frac{1}{2}(15)(4) - \frac{1}{2}(10)(3)$   
 $s = \mathbf{75 \text{ m East}}$  (4)
- 2.1.5 No, it will not always be true. Displacement and distance can be equal only if the object travels in a straight line in one direction. (2)

2.1.6



(5)

2.2.1 average speed =  $\frac{\text{total distance}}{\text{total time}}$

average speed =  $\frac{12\,000}{7,6 \times 60}$

**average speed = 26,32 m·s<sup>-1</sup>** (4)

2.2.2 100 km/h = 27,78 m·s<sup>-1</sup> (2)

2.2.3 No or yes if answer for 2.2.1 > 2.2.2 (coe) (1)

2.2.4 time for 1<sup>st</sup> 6 km =  $\frac{6}{60} = 0,1$  hrs

time for 2<sup>nd</sup> 6 km =  $\frac{6}{140} = 0,04$  hrs

average speed =  $\frac{\text{total distance}}{\text{total time}}$

average speed =  $\frac{12}{0,1+0,04}$

**average speed = 84 km/h (or 85,71 km/h if time rounded off)** (5)  
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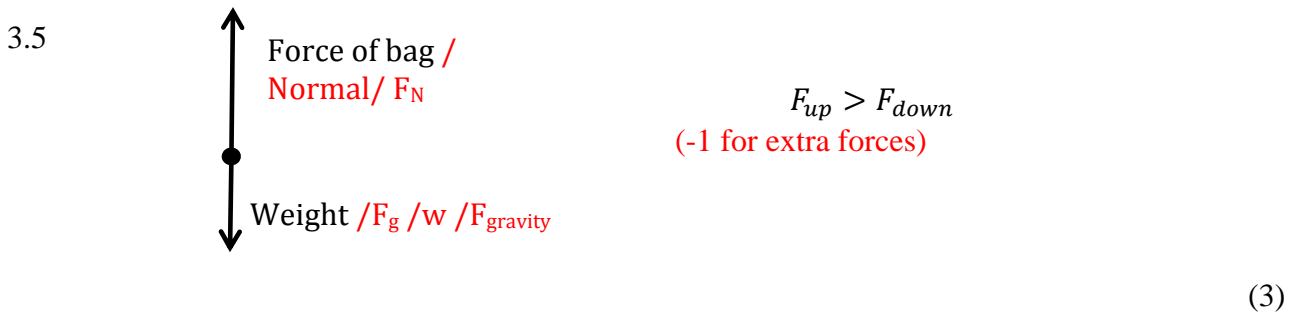
**QUESTION 3**

3.1 *velocity is rate of displacement* OR *velocity is the rate of change of displacement*  
OR *velocity is rate of change of position* (2)

3.2  $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$  OR  $(E_p + E_k)_{top} = (E_p + E_k)_{bottom}$   
 $v^2 = 0 + 2(9,8)(95)$   $mgh + 0 = 0 + \frac{1}{2}mv^2$   
 $v^2 = 1862$   $(9,8)(95) = \frac{1}{2}v^2$   
 $v = 43,15 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$   $v = 43,15 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$  (3)

3.3 *acceleration is the rate of change of velocity* (2)

3.4 down positive up positive  
 $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$   $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$   
 $0 = 1862 + 2a(5,8)$  OR  $0 = 1862 + 2a(-5,8)$   
 $a = -160,52$   $a = 160,52$   
 $a = 160,52 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-2}$  up  $a = 160,52 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-2}$  up  
**(a = 160,51 m·s<sup>-2</sup> up if rounded)** (4)



3.6  $F_{net} = ma$   
 $F_{bag} - F_g = ma$   
 $F_{bag} - (80)(9,8) = (80)(160,52)$  coe  
 $F_{bag} = 13\ 625,60 \text{ N}$  (or 13 625,38 N if no rounding)

OR

$\vec{F}_{bag} + \vec{F}_g = m\vec{a}$   
 $F_{bag} + (80)(9,8) = (80)(-160,52)$  coe  
 or  $F_{bag} + (80)(-9,8) = (80)(160,52)$  coe  
 $F_{bag} = (-)13\ 625,60 \text{ N}$  (or 13 625,38 N if no rounding)

OR

$W_{net} = \Delta E_K = F_{net}(5,8)$  (for both equations)  
 $0 - \frac{1}{2}(80)(43,15)^2 = F_{net}(5,8)$   
 $F_{net} = (-)12840,84 \text{ N}$   
 $F_{net} = F_{bag} - F_g$   
 $F_{bag} = 12840 + (80)(9,8)$   
 $F_{bag} = 13624,84 \text{ N}$

OR

$$v = u + at$$

$$0 = 43,15 + (-160,52)t$$

$$t = 0,27 \text{ s}$$

$$F_{net}t = m\Delta v \text{ (for both equations)}$$

$$F_{net}(0,27) = 80(0 - 43,15)$$

$$F_{net} = -12785,19 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{net} = F_{bag} - F_g$$

$$F_{bag} = 12785,19 + (80)(9,8)$$

$$F_{bag} = 13569,19 \text{ N}$$

OR

$$F_{bag}s = \Delta E_K + \Delta E_P$$

$$F_{bag}(5,8) = (0 - \frac{1}{2}(80)(43,15)^2) + (0 - (80)(9,8)(5,8))$$

$$F_{bag} = (-)13624,84 \text{ N}$$

(5)

3.7  $F_{net}\Delta t = \Delta p$

Airbag increased time to stop

 $F_{net}$  decreased

OR

$$a = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} \text{ and } F = ma$$

Airbag increased time to stop

Acceleration decreased so  $F_{net}$  decreased

(3)

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**QUESTION 4**

4.1 *Newton's first law states an object continues in a state of rest or uniform velocity unless it is acted upon by a net or resultant force.* (2)

4.2 **Firing engine provides a resultant force on rocket as firing engine pushes gas out of exhaust and gas pushes back on rocket by Newton III**

OR

Firing engine provides a resultant force on rocket

By Newton II

Rocket accelerates

(3)

4.3 *The (total linear momentum) of an isolated system / in the absence of external forces remains constant (is conserved)* (2)

4.4  $(p_{total})_{before} = (p_{total})_{after}$   
 $m(1000) = \frac{2}{3}mv + \frac{1}{3}m(-500)$   
 $v = 1750 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$

(5)

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**QUESTION 5**

5.1 Kinetic energy is the energy an object has as a result of the object's motion. (2)

5.2  $E_K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$   
 $E_K = \frac{1}{2}(10)(12)^2$   
 $E_K = 720 \text{ J}$  (3)

5.3 The work done by a net force /net work done on an object is equal to the change in the kinetic energy of the object. (2)

5.4  $F_f s = \Delta E_k$   
 $(-54,9)(6) = \frac{1}{2}(10)v^2 - 720 \text{ coe}$   
 $-329,4 = \frac{1}{2}(10)v^2 - 720$   
 $v = 8,84 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$

OR

$F_f s = \Delta E_k$   
 $(54,9)(6)(\cos 180) = \frac{1}{2}(10)v^2 - 720 \text{ coe}$   
 $-329,4 = \frac{1}{2}(10)v^2 - 720$   
 $v = 8,84 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$

OR

$(F = ma \quad \text{and} \quad v^2 = u^2 + 2as)$   
 $-54,9 = 10a \quad v^2 = 12^2 + 2(-5,49)(6) \text{ coe}$   
 $a = -5,49 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-2} \quad v = 8,84 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$  (4)

5.5  $E_P = mgx \sin(35)$   
 OR  
 $E_P = mgx \sin(\theta)$   
 OR  
 $E_P = 98 x \sin(35)$   
 OR  
 $E_P = 56,21 x$  (2)

5.6  $E_{K \text{ at } B} = E_{P \text{ at } C} + W_{Friction}$   
 $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = mgx \sin(35^\circ) + (45,0)x$   
 $\frac{1}{2}10(8,84)^2 \text{ coe} = (10)(9,8) \sin(35^\circ) x + 45x$   
 $390,73 = 101,21 x$   
 $x = 3,86 \text{ m} \quad (x = 3,85 \text{ m if no rounding off})$

OR

$W_{net} = \Delta E_K \text{ and } F_{net}x = \Delta E_K$   
 $(-45 - 10(9,8) \sin 35)x = 0 - \frac{1}{2}(10)(8,84)^2$   
 $x = 3,86 \text{ m}$

OR

$$W_{net} = \Delta E_K \text{ and } W_g + W_f = \Delta E_K$$

$$(10)(9,8)x \cos 125 + 45 x \cos 180 = 0 - \frac{1}{2}(10)(8,84)^2$$

$$x = \mathbf{3,86 \text{ m}}$$

OR

$$(F_{net} = ma \text{ and } v^2 = u^2 + 2as)$$

$$(-45 - (10)(9,8) \sin 35) = 10a$$

$$0 = (8,84)^2 + 2(-10,121)x$$

$$a = -10,12 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-2}$$

$$x = \mathbf{3,86 \text{ m}}$$

OR

$$W_f = \Delta E_p + \Delta E_K$$

$$W_f = mgx \sin 35 + (0 - \frac{1}{2}mv^2)$$

$$45 x \cos 180 = (10)(9,8)x \sin 35 - \frac{1}{2}(10)(8,84)^2$$

$$x = \mathbf{3,86 \text{ m}}$$

OR

$$(F_{net}\Delta t = m\Delta v \text{ and } s = (\frac{u+v}{2})t)$$

$$(-45 - (10)(9,8) \sin 35)\Delta t = 10(0 - 8,84)$$

$$x = (\frac{0+8,84}{2})(0,87)$$

$$\Delta t = 0,87 \text{ s}$$

$$x = \mathbf{3,86 \text{ m}}$$

(5)

5.7  $F_f = \mu N$

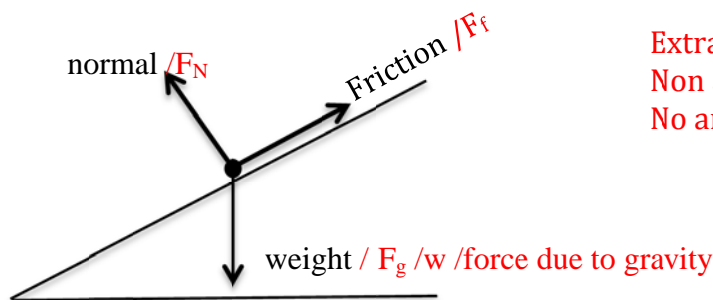
as slope is increased, Normal force decreases

as  $N = mg \cos(\theta)$  OR  $\cos(\theta)$  decreases as  $\theta$  increases OR  $\cos(35) < 1$

so frictional force decreases

(3)

5.8



Extra forces -1  
Non attachment -1  
No arrows -1

(3)

5.9  $F_f = mg \sin(35^\circ)$

$$F_f = 10(9,8) \sin(35^\circ)$$

$$F_f = \mathbf{56,21 \text{ N}}$$

(3)

5.10  $F_f = \mu F_N$  OR

$$56,21 = \mu(10)(9,8)\cos(35^\circ) \text{ coe}$$

$$\mu = \mathbf{0,70}$$

$$\mu = \tan \theta$$

$$\mu = \tan 35$$

$$\mu = \mathbf{0,70}$$

(3)

5.11 static friction is greater than kinetic friction

OR

Coefficient of static friction greater than coefficient of kinetic friction

OR

While moving, surfaces interact less

(2)

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**QUESTION 6**

6.1 6.1.1 *Every particle in the universe attracts every other particle with a force which is directly proportional to the product of their masses and inversely proportional to the square of the distance between (their centres)* (2)

6.1.2 
$$F_g = \frac{Gm_1m_2}{r^2}$$

$$F_g = \frac{(6,7 \times 10^{-11})(96)(1 \times 10^{13})}{4000^2}$$

$$F_g = 4,02 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N}$$
 (4)

6.1.3 
$$a_{67} = \frac{F_g}{m}$$

$$a_{67} = \frac{4,02 \times 10^{-3}}{96} \text{ coe}$$

$$a_{67} = 4,19 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-2}$$

**OR**

$$a_{67} = \frac{GM}{r^2}$$

$$a_{67} = \frac{(6,7 \times 10^{-11})(1 \times 10^{13})}{4000^2}$$

$$a_{67} = 4,19 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-2} \text{ or } \text{N}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$$
 (3)

6.1.4 
$$a_{67} = \frac{GM}{r^2}$$

$$a_{new} = \frac{G5M}{(2r)^2}$$

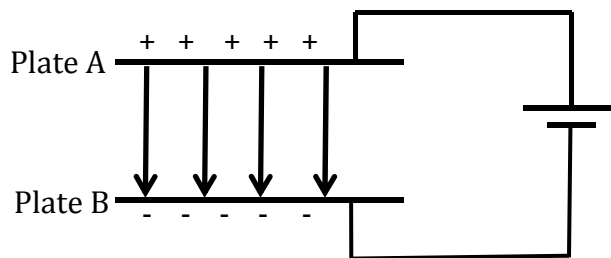
$$a_{new} = \frac{5}{4} \frac{GM}{r^2}$$

$$\frac{a_{new}}{a_{67}} = 1,25 \text{ OR } \frac{a_{67}}{a_{new}} = 0,8$$

**OR  $a_{new} : a_{67} = 5 : 4$  OR  $a_{67} : a_{new} = 4 : 5$**  (4)

6.2 6.2.1  $F = Eq$   
 $F = (4,8 \times 10^5)(25 \times 10^{-9})$   
 $F = 0,012 \text{ N}$  (3)

6.2.2 on Answer Booklet



Label plates (with + and -)

Direction

Parallel lines (ignore end effects)

(3)  
**[19]**

**QUESTION 7**

7.1  $\text{Cost} = \frac{100}{1000} \times 6 \times 1,40 = \mathbf{R\ 0,84}$  (3)

7.2  $P = \frac{V^2}{R}$   
 $100 = \frac{240^2}{R}$   
 $\mathbf{R = 576\ \Omega}$  (3)

7.3 no. of bulbs (in parallel) OR resistance OR  $\frac{1}{R}$  (2)

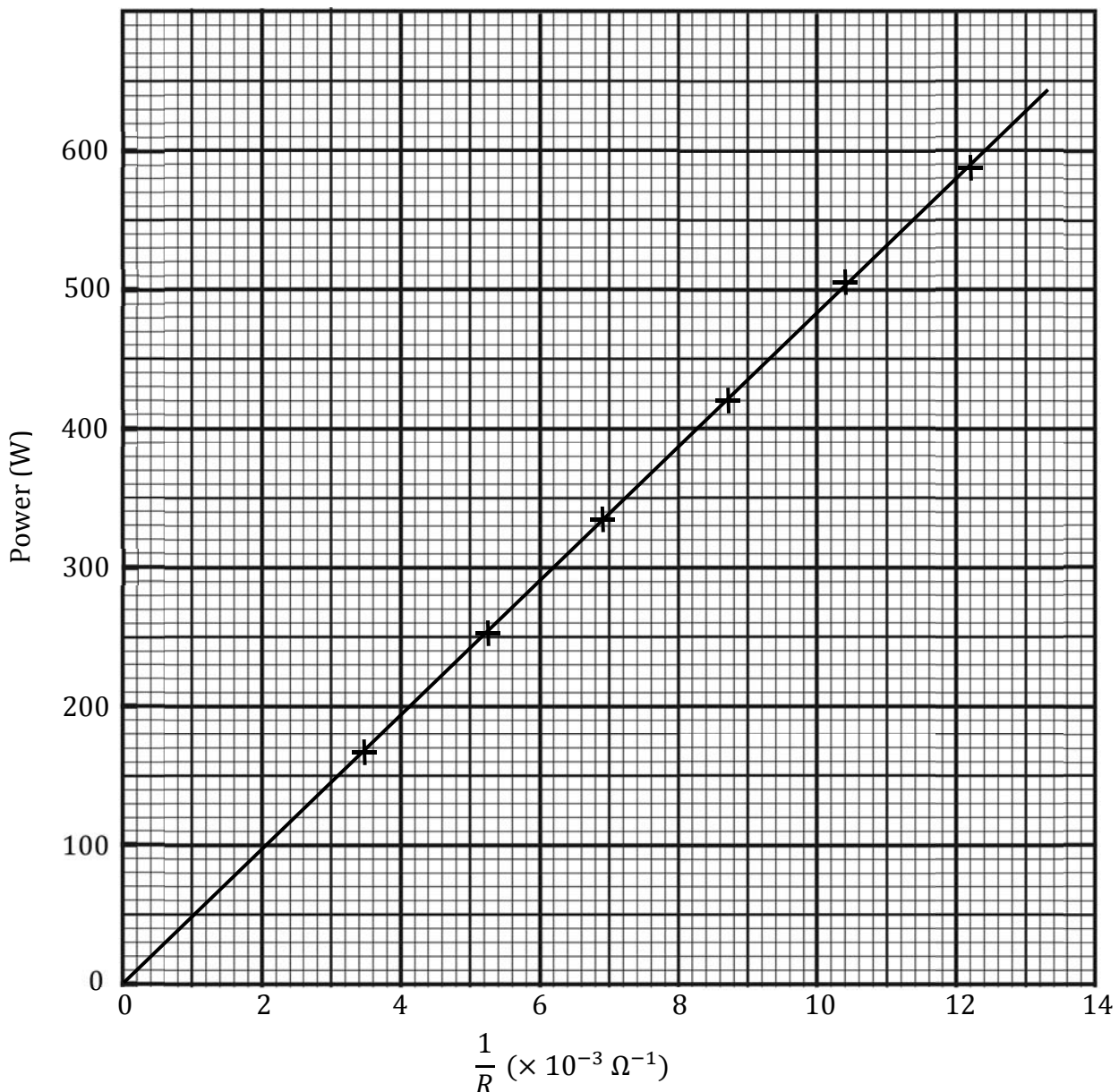
7.4 more pathways / **branches**, makes it easier for charge to flow (2)

7.5 7.5.1 5,21

7.5.2 10,42 (if  $\times 10^{-3}$  included in both answers then max 1/2) (2)

7.6 Graph – On Answer Booklet

Graph to show Power vs  $\frac{1}{R}$



Heading

y-axis title and unit

y-axis scale (plotted points  $> \frac{1}{2}$  graph paper, **scale must be in sensible multiples**)

plotted points (**all 6 points plotted within half small block**)

line of best fit (**with a ruler**)

(6)

- 7.7 Power is inversely proportional to resistance  
 (or power is directly proportional to the inverse of resistance)  
 straight line graph **or linear or constant gradient**  
 line through the origin

(3)

- 7.8 Gradient =  $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$   
 Gradient =  $\frac{\text{values from y-axis}}{\text{values from x-axis}}$  (-1 if not shown on graph)

**Gradient = 48 203,4 (allow 45790 – 50610)**

(4)

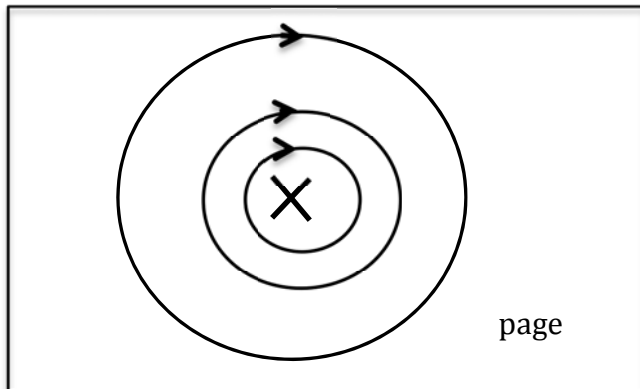
- 7.9 P on y-axis,  $\frac{1}{R}$  on x-axis means gradient is  $V^2$   
 $V^2 = 48\,203,4$  coe  
**V = 219,6 V (allow 214 – 225)**

(3)

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**QUESTION 8**

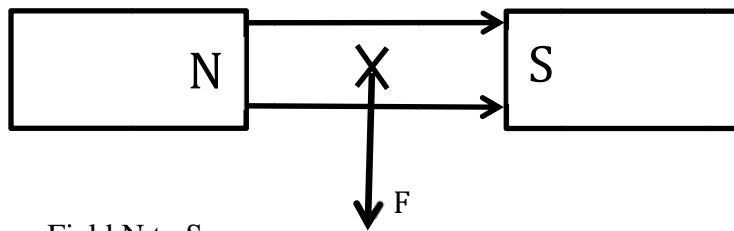
8.1 8.1.1 On Answer Booklet



Concentric circles  
Direction

(2)

8.1.2 On Answer Booklet



Field N to S  
Field line parallel  
Force direction  
Force labelled and acting on wire

(4)

8.1.3 magnetic field due to current interacts with magnetic field due to magnet (2)

8.1.4 wire parallel to field lines (2)

8.2 8.2.1 electrical energy to mechanical (kinetic) energy (2)

8.2.2 split ring commutator (2)

8.2.3 change the direction of the current in the coil every half rotation to that ensure the coil continues rotating (in the same direction) (NO coe allowed) (2)

8.3 8.3.1 *The emf induced is directly proportional to the rate of change of magnetic flux (flux linkage)* (2)

8.3.2

- As the cone moves, coil moves relative to magnet
- the coil experiences a change of flux
- so emf is induced in the coil

(4)

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**QUESTION 9**

9.1 9.1.1 Photoelectric effect (2)

9.1.2 UV light has a larger frequency than visible light  
frequency of UV light greater than threshold frequency  
UV can eject electrons

OR

UV light has a larger energy than visible light  
energy of UV light greater than work function  
UV can eject electrons (3)

9.2 9.2.1 *Work function is the minimum amount of energy needed to emit an electron from the surface of a metal.* (2)

9.2.2  $W_0 = hf_0$   
 $3,36 \times 10^{-19} = 6,6 \times 10^{-34} f_0$   
 $f_0 = 5,09 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$  (3)

9.2.3  $c = f\lambda$   
 $3 \times 10^8 = f 400 \times 10^{-9}$   
 $f = 7,5 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$

$hf = W_0 + E_{K \max}$   
 $(6,6 \times 10^{-34})(7,5 \times 10^{14}) = 3,36 \times 10^{-19} + E_{K \max}$   
 $E_{K \max} = 1,59 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$  (4)

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**Total: 200 marks**