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PHYSICS

PAPER 2

(Theory)

JULY/AUG. 2018

2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- i) Write your name, admission number and index number in the spaces provided above.
- ii) Sign and write the date of examination in the spaces provided above
- iii) This paper consists of **TWO** sections **A** and **B**
- iv) Answer **ALL** the questions in section **A** and **B** in the spaces provided
- v) All working **MUST** be clearly shown
- vi) Electronic calculators and mathematical tables may be used.
- vii) **ALL** numerical answers must be expressed in decimal notation.
- viii) **This paper has 13 pages. It is the responsibility of the candidate to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.**
- ix) **Candidates should answer the questions in English.**

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Section	Question	Maximum Score	Candidates Score
A	1 – 13	25	
B	14	14	
	15	9	
	16	13	
	17	9	
	18	10	
		Total = 80	

SECTION (25 MARKS)

Answer all questions in this section in the spaces provided

- 1) **Figure 1** shows objects A and B placed in front of a mirror M.

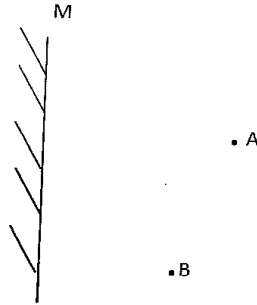


Figure 1

Show the position of their images A^1 and B^1 .

(2 marks)

- 2) **Figure 2** shows a negative point charge near a positively charged rod. Draw on the figure, the resulting electric field pattern. (2 marks)

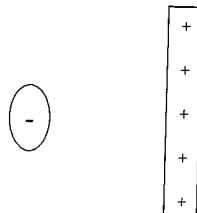


Figure 2

- 3) Calculate the magnification produced by a convex lens of focal length 10cm used in a simple microscope given that the image distance is 40cm. (3 marks)

- 4) The chart below shows an arrangement of different parts of the electromagnetic spectrum.

P	Q	R	Ultra violet	S	Gamma rays
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Name the radiation represented by letter Q and state one use of the radiation. (2 marks)

- 5) Explain why the filament of an electric lamp is made of tungsten. (1 mark)

- 6) **Figure 3** shows wave fronts in a ripple tank approaching a shallow region in the tank.

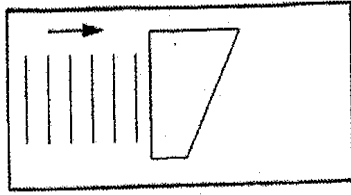


Figure 3

Complete the diagram to show the wave fronts as they pass over the shallow region and after leaving the region. (2 marks)

- 7) **Figure 4** shows two magnets A and B brought from a point above a table towards a steel pin.

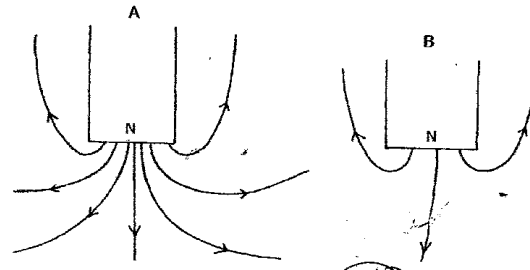


Figure 4

State with reason which magnet will attract the pin at a larger height above the table (2 marks).

- 8) State briefly what happens to the depletion layer when a diode is forward biased. (1 mark)

- 9) A soldier standing 600m from a wall blows a whistle. How long does it take for the echo to reach him? (Speed of sound in air = 330m/s) (2 marks)

- 10) Determine the critical angle for a ray of light passing from glass into water (refractive indices of glass and water are 1.5 & 1.33 respectively). (3 marks)

- 11) **Figure 5** shows a current carrying conductor placed between two strong magnets.

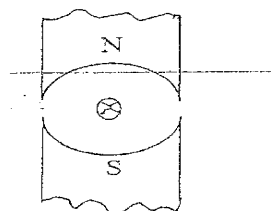


Figure 5

Indicate the direction of the magnetic field and the force on the conductor (2 marks)

- 12) In **Figure 6** complete the diagrams to show the path of the X-ray beam when it enters an electric field. (1 mark)

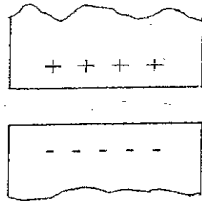


Figure 6

13) Light of frequency $6.5 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$ is radiated on a metal whose threshold frequency is $2.0 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$. Determine the kinetic energy of the emitted electrons. (2 marks)
(Planck's constant $= 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$.)

SECTION B (55 MARKS)

Answer all questions in this section in the spaces provided

14. a) A house has the following appliances

Appliance	Power rating W	Time used in hours per day
Cooker	4000	1
TV set	150	3
Electric kettle	2000	0.5
Radio	300	6

- i) Determine the appropriate fuse which would be required for the cooker and the radio respectively. The 240V mains available fuses are rated 40A, 35A, 20A, 13A, 3A & 1A. (2 marks)

- ii) Calculate the total cost of electricity paid in a month of 30 days given that all the appliances are used as shown above and 1 KWh costs ksh1.85. (3 marks)

- iii) State with reason the fuse suitable for the mains switch. (2 marks)

b) Study **Figure 7** and use it to answer the questions below it.

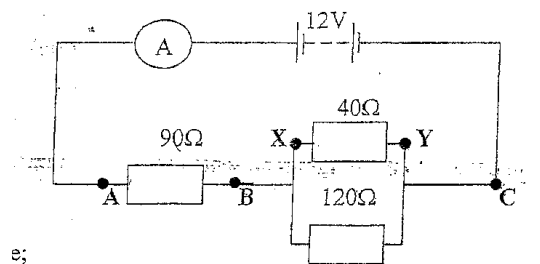


Figure 7

Determine the:

- i) Current flowing through the ammeter. (3marks)

 - ii) Potential difference between X and Y (2marks)

 - c) State two factors that affect electrical resistance of a conductor. (2marks)

- 15) a) Distinguish between transverse and longitudinal waves (1mark)

- b) Water waves are observed as they pass a fixed point at a rate of 30 crests per minute. A particular wave crest takes 2s to travel between two fixed points 6m apart. Determine for the wave the:
 - i) frequency (2marks)

 - ii) wavelength (2marks)

 - c) **Figure 8** shows a displacement –position graph of a slinky spring as it is continuously vibrated at one end.

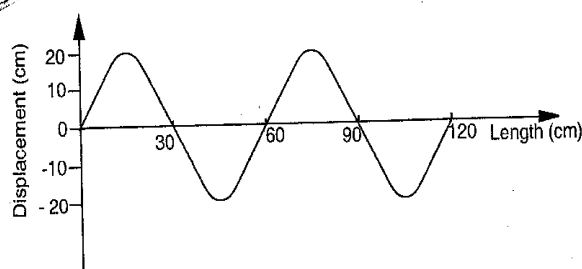


Figure 8

- i) Name the type of wave generated. (1mark)

- ii) Determine the:
 - I) amplitude of the wave (1mark)

 - II) wavelength of the wave (1mark)

 - iv) On the same diagram draw a wave showing the wave when the frequency is doubled.

(1mark)

16) **Figure 9** shows the features of an x-ray tube.

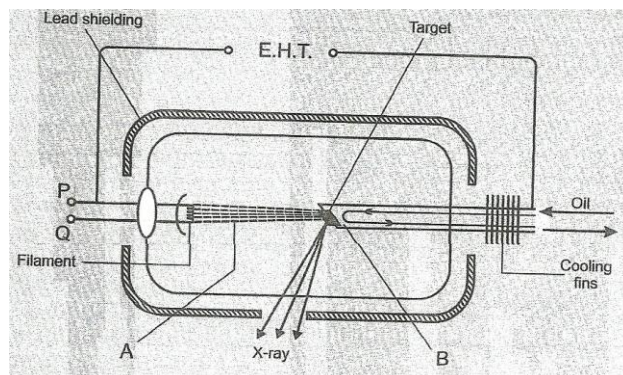


Figure 9

- i) Name the parts labeled A and B (1mark)
A-----B-----
- ii) Explain how a change in the potential across PQ changes the intensity of the x rays produced in the tube. (1mark)

- iii) During the operation of the x ray tube, the target become very hot .Explain how this heat is caused. (1mark)

- iv) What property of lead makes it suitable for use a shielding material? (1mark)

- b) X- rays are used for detecting cracks inside metal beams.
- i) State the type of the X rays used for purpose above. (1mark)

- ii) Give a reason for your answer in (b)(i) above (1mark)

- c) In a certain X- ray tube electrons are accelerated by p.d of 12 kV. Assuming all energy goes to produce X-rays, determine the frequency of the X-rays produced
(Planck's constant = 6.63×10^{-34} Js. Charge of an electron = 1.6×10^{-19} C) (2marks)

- d) **Figure 10** shows the waveform of a voltage displayed on the screen of a C.R.O.
The Y-gain was 5V/cm and time base control was 10ms/cm.

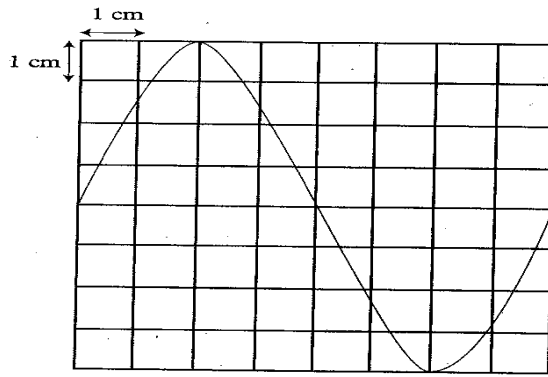


Figure 10

Determine the:

- i) peak to peak voltage of the Y- input (1mark)

- ii) period of the signal (2marks)

- iii) frequency of the signal. (2marks)

17) **Figure 11** shows a simple electric generator.

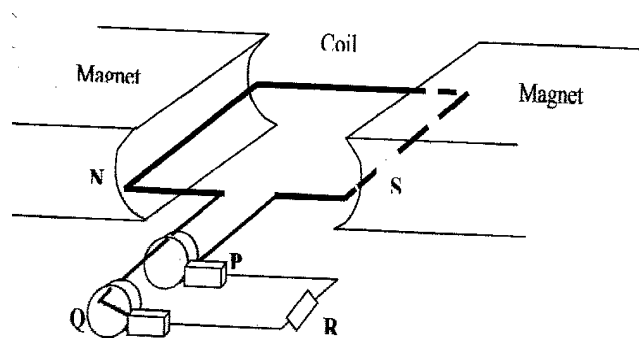


Figure 11

- a) i) Name the parts labeled P and Q (2marks)

P----- Q-----

- ii) State two ways of increasing the magnitude of the induced current in this type of generator. (2marks)

- b) The primary coil of a transformer has 1200 turns and the secondary coil has 60 turns .The transformer is connected to a 240v a.c source. Determine the:

- i) Output voltage (2marks)

- ii) Output current when the primary coil has a current of 0.5A. Assume there are no energy losses. (2marks)

- c) **Figure 12** shows a magnet being moved towards a stationary solenoid. It is observed that a current flows through the circuit in a direction Q to P.

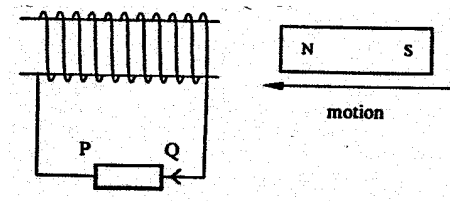


Figure 12

Explain why the current flows from Q to P

(1 mark)

- 18)a) The table below gives values for the activity of a sample of an isotope at different times. The background radiation is 4 counts per minute.

Time (min)	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80
Count rate per minute(Activity)	96	78	62	54	45	39	34	31	29
Corrected Activity									

- i) Complete the table above. (1mark)
 ii) Plot a graph of corrected activity against time. (4marks)
 iii) Use the graph to determine the half life of the sample (1mark)

- b) **Figure 13** shows a diffusion cloud chamber for detecting radioactivity.

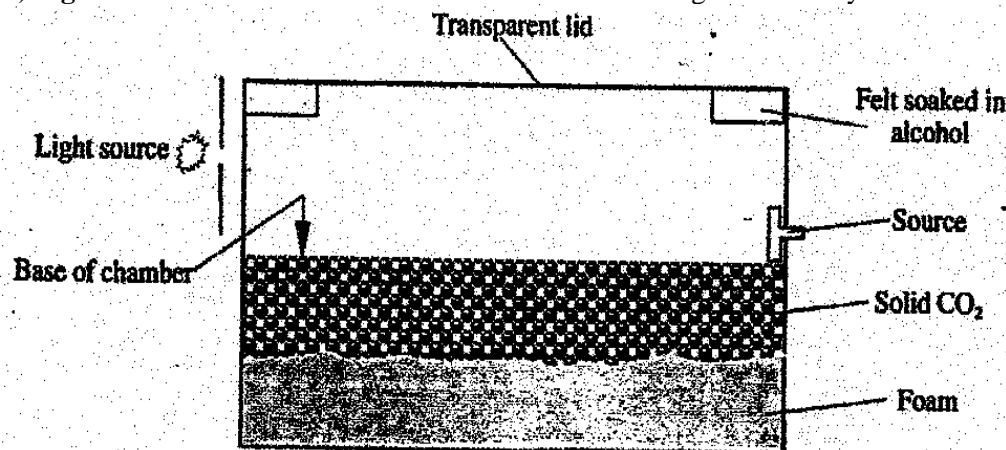


Figure 13

When radiation from the source enters the chamber, some white traces are observed. Explain how these traces are formed and state how the radiation is identified. (4 marks)

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