

Name of the Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Max. Marks : 18 Marks

Time : 18 Minutes

**Q1.**

Three customers, **P**, **Q** and **R**, are sitting in a café listening to music from a loudspeaker. Customer **P** is 11 m from the loudspeaker. At the position of customer **P**, the sound intensity is  $3.4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W m}^{-2}$ .

- (a) Customer **P** moves to a distance of 7.0 m from the loudspeaker.

Calculate the sound intensity at the new position of customer **P**.  
Assume that the loudspeaker is a point source.

sound intensity = \_\_\_\_\_  $\text{W m}^{-2}$  (2)

- (b) The sound intensity level is 65 dB at the position of customer **Q** and 42 dB at the position of customer **R**.

Calculate the ratio  $\frac{\text{sound intensity at the position of Q}}{\text{sound intensity at the position of R}}$

ratio = \_\_\_\_\_ (2)

- (c) Customer **Q** perceives the loudness of the sound differently to customer **R**.

Discuss whether the use of intensity level or intensity is more appropriate to compare the perceived loudness.

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(2)

- (d) Customers **P**, **Q** and **R** move to the same distance from the loudspeaker.

Customer **P** is 80 years old and has hearing loss due to her age.

Customer **Q** is 35 years old and has hearing loss due to working in an extremely noisy environment.

Customer **R** is 35 years old and has no hearing loss.

The hearing defects of **P** and **Q** affect their perception of the music being played.

Describe how their perceptions are different from that of **R**.

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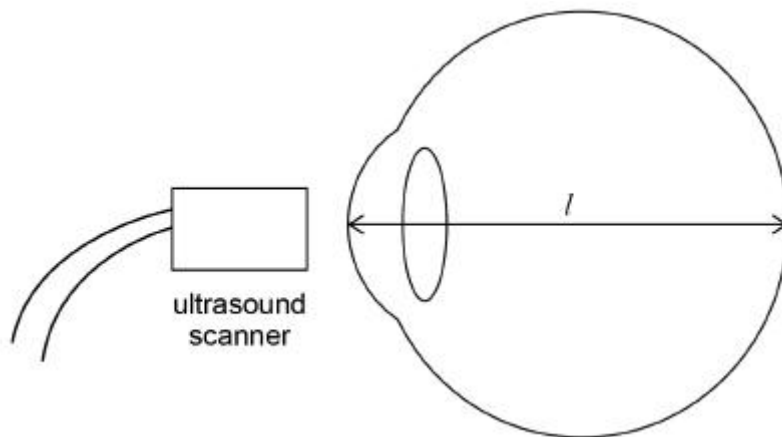
**Q2.**

Ultrasound is commonly used in medical procedures.

- (a) An ultrasound A-scan is used to find the length  $l$  of an eye as shown in **Figure 1**. **Figure 2** shows the simplified A-scan for the eye. A short pulse of ultrasound is transmitted at time  $t = 0$

The average speed of ultrasound in the eye =  $1560 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .

**Figure 1**



**Figure 2**



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(Total 9 marks)