Practice Question Set For A-Level

Subject : Physics

Paper-1 Topic: Waves



Name of the Student:	
Max. Marks : 20 Marks	Time: 20 Minutes

## Q1.

The term **ultrasound** refers to vibrations in a material that occur at frequencies too high to be detected by a human ear. When ultrasound waves move through a solid, both longitudinal and transverse vibrations may be involved. For the longitudinal vibrations in a solid, the speed c of the ultrasound wave is given by

$$c=\sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}}$$

where E is the Young modulus of the material and  $\rho$  is the density. Values for c and  $\rho$  are given in the table below.

Substance	$c$ / m s $^{ extst{-1}}$	$ ho$ / kg m $^{ extsf{-3}}$
glass	5100	2500
sea water	1400	1000

Ultrasound waves, like electromagnetic radiation, can travel through the surface between two materials. When all the energy is transmitted from one material to the other, the materials are said to be **acoustically matched**. This happens when  $\rho c$  is the same for both materials.

(a) Calculate the magnitude of the Young modulus for glass.

Young modulus = \_\_\_\_\_\_
(1)

(b) State your answer to (a) in terms of SI fundamental units.

(1)

(c) The passage states that 'when ultrasound waves move through a solid both longitudinal and transverse vibrations may be involved'.

Show that when two materials are acoustically matched, the ratequal to the ratio of their speeds of the ultrasound waves.  The wave speed in a material X is twice that in material Y. X at Determine the ratio of the densities of X and Y.  X =	atio of their Young moduli is
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	internal reflection can occur

(a)

Figure 1 is a diagram of a microwave oven.





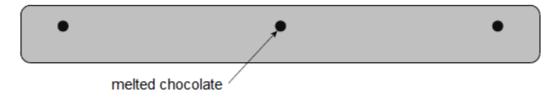
A student wants to use the stationary waves formed in the microwave oven to measure the frequency of the microwaves emitted by the transmitter.

Suggest how stationary waves are formed in the microwave oven.


(b) The student removes the turntable and places a bar of chocolate on the floor of the oven. He then switches the oven on for about one minute. When the chocolate is removed the student

observes that there are three small patches of melted chocolate with unmelted chocolate between them. **Figure 2** is a full-sized diagram of the chocolate bar.

Figure 2



Suggest why the chocolate only melts in the positions shown.


(2)

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	used by the oven.	
	frequency = Hz	(5
(d)	Explain why most microwave ovens contain a rotating turntable on which the food is placed during cooking.	
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Calculate, by making suitable measurements on Figure 2, the frequency of the microwaves

(c)