Practice Question Set For A-Level

Subject: Physics

Paper-1 Topic: Electricity



Name of the Student:

Max. Marks: 23 Marks Time: 23 Minutes

Mark Schemes

Q1.

(a) Idea that atoms gains energy (from beta particle) eg atoms excited or atoms/electrons moved to higher energy levels ✓

Idea that atom loses energy by emission of light/photons eg atoms de-excite or electrons move to lower energy levels 🗸

Allow ionisation as named process

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(b) Use of $E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$ **OR** use of $c = f\lambda$ and E = hf \checkmark Condone POT error for λ

$$3.2 \times 10^{-19}$$
 (J) \checkmark
Allow 3.1×10^{-19} (J) if 6.6×10^{-34} used

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(c) Use of W = QV **OR** determines pd = 750 V \checkmark

$$1.2 \times 10^{-16} (J)$$

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(d) Max 3 from: 🗸 🗸

Attempt to count squares **OR** calculate unit area **OR** Statement that area under curve = charge flow

1 small square =
$$2 \times 10^{-12}$$
 (C); 1 large square = 5×10^{-11} (C)

Counts number of squares/Determines area

Converts number of squares to charge

Accept 140 to 180 small or 5.5-7 large squares

Accept $\frac{1}{2}$ base x height for triangle of base 12–16 ns and height 50 mA

Divides their total charge by 1.60×10^{-19}

Allow 1 sf answer

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Q2.

(a) Use of power equation

Or combination of power equation and V = IR

To get $R = 96 (\Omega)$.

Must see some working

Do not allow reverse arguments

(b) Either calculation of current through one lamp

Condone use of any other method eg use of power = 4.5 W and power equation.

And multiply by 3

OR

calculate total resistance \checkmark (and use V = IR)

To give 0.38 A. ✓ (at least 2sf)

Allow ecf for their R from (a) used or their I Use of 100 Ω gives 0.36 A (0.4A)

(c) Evidence of equation to calculate area . 🗸

 $2.8 \times 10^{-8} \,\mathrm{m}^2$

Use of resistivity equation to get 49 Ω .

Allow POT error in MP1

Evidence for MP2 may be in final answer

Accept 48 Ω

(d) Total resistance = 46 + 46 + 100/3 = 125 Ω. ✓

Allow ecf for incorrect resistance

Calculation of circuit current = 12/125 = 0.096 A. ✓

operating current of lamp (=1.5/12 = 0.13)/current for all 3 lamps to be fully on = 0.38 A. 🗸

Yes demo works as lamps will be dimmer/ off (with constantan). 🗸

If no other marks awarded, one mark each can be given for (max 2)

- for resistance increases with length.
- Too much p.d. dropped across constantan
- Resistivity of constantan is greater than resistivity of copper

For MP3 allow quoted comparison to previously calculated current in (b)

For MP4 allow ecf if answer is yes and is consistent with their calculation

(e) Advantage

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Zero resistance/resistivity. 🗸

Reduce heat/energy transfer / power loss in cables 🗸

Difficulty

Difficult to maintain low temperature (over long distances) 🗸

Must be kept at/below the critical temperature.

✓

Ignore references to critical field.

Allow very low resistance

Max 3

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