## Practice Question Set For A-Level

**Subject: Physics** 

Paper-3 Topic: Section B (Section 10\_ Medical Physics)



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Name of the Student:

Max. Marks: 21 Marks Time: 21 Minutes

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## Q1.

- (a) 1: vacuum / evacuated (tube) (1)
  - 2: lead (lined shield) (1)
  - 3: electrons (beam) (1)

(b) (i) heat is spread over a greater volume / area / section (1) thus allows more energetic X-rays to be produced

[or allows X-rays to be generated for longer] (1)

(ii) (bevelled edge) gives larger target area (1) but small source area (to produce sharp image) (1)

max 3

- (c) (i) the fraction of X-rays removed per unit thickness of the material (1)
  - (ii) the thickness of the material which will reduce the intensity to half its original level (1)

for a specified energy of the X-rays (in either (i) or (ii)) (1)

(d) (use of  $\mu = \frac{\ln 2}{t_{1/2}}$  gives)  $\mu = \frac{\ln 2}{3.2} = 0.22 \text{mm}^{-1}$  (1)(0.217 mm<sup>-1</sup>)

(use of 
$$I = I_o$$
 e<sup>- $\mu$ x</sup> gives)  $I = 6.0 \times$  e<sup>-0.217 × 2</sup> (1)  
(allow C.E. for value of  $\mu$ )  
= 3.9 W m<sup>-2</sup> (1)

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## **Q2**.

(a) ear has logarithmic response (1) accommodates wide range of intensities (1)

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dB scale has a flat response with frequency (1)
dBA scale is frequency compensated (1)
for dBA, threshold intensities are different for different frequencies (1)

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(c) (use of intensity level =10 log  $\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right)$  gives ) 94 = 10 log  $\left(\frac{I}{1.0 \times 10^{-12}}\right)$  (1)

$$I = 1.0 \times 10^{-12} \times 10^{9.4}$$
 (1) = 2.5 × 10<sup>-3</sup> W m<sup>-2</sup> (1)

(d) intensity = 
$$2 \times 2.5 \times 10^{-3}$$
 (W m<sup>-2</sup>) (1) (allow C.E. for *I* from part (c))

intensity level = 10 x log 
$$\left(\frac{5.0 \times 10^{-3}}{1.0 \times 10^{-12}}\right)$$
 = 97 dB **(1)**

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