

A LEVEL PHYSICS

DAILY WORKOUT

TRANSITION TO A LEVEL

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BOOK 1

PREVIEW



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It was a real team effort and I hope the resulting book will be useful to you as you study A Level Physics.



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HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

The idea is pretty simple – attempt a few questions everyday to help build upon your existing knowledge and strengthen understanding as you commence your A Level Physics course.

To find out a little bit more about how to use this book scan the QR code, or go to the webpage below, to watch a video explaining everything you need to know.



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1 st	Trigonometry	Relationships	E_k and momentum
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6 th	Pythagoras	Relationships	Electricity calculation
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8 th	Standard form	Trigonometry	Waves calculation
9 th	Constants	Rearranging equations	Motion calculation
10 th	Maths skills	Rearranging equations	Motion calculation
11 th	Maths skills	Rearranging equations	Motion calculation
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14 th	Averages	Definition	Vector diagram – forces
15 th	Averages	Definition	Resultant force diagram
16 th	Standard form	Identifying forces	Resultant force calculation
17 th	Standard form	Radiation	Resultant force diagram
18 th	Significant figures	Energy calculation	Resultant force calculation
19 th	Significant figures	Trigonometry	Radiation
20 th	Significant figures	Components of a force	Motion calculation
21 st	Maths skills	Components of a force	Energy calculation
22 nd	Definition	v-t graph	Electricity calculation
23 rd	Definition	Graph skills	Resistors calculation
24 th	Definition	Graph skills	Sound calculation
25 th	$y = mx + c$	Rearranging equations	Atoms
26 th	$y = mx + c$	Rearranging equations	Motion calculation
27 th	$y = mx + c$	Rearranging equations	Reflection
28 th	$y = mx + c$	Rearranging equations	Solds, liquids, gases
29 th	$y = mx + c$	Trigonometry	Energy calculation
30 th	Sketch graph	Definition	Motion calculation
31 st	Sketch graph	Definition	Atoms

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	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3
1 st	Circle	Vector diagram	Base units
2 nd	Circle	Symbols	Derived units
3 rd	Triangle	Vector diagram	Components of a force
4 th	Sphere	Constants	Resultant force
5 th	Sphere	Relationships	Resistors calculation
6 th	Cylinder	Graphs	Energy calculation
7 th	Sphere	Rearranging equations	Wave calculation
8 th	Wire	Rearranging equations	Radioactivity
9 th	Cylinder	Rearranging equations	Gas pressure
10 th	$y = mx + c$	Rearranging equations	Force calculation
11 th	$y = mx + c$	Rearranging equations	Energy calculation
12 th	$y = mx + c$	Variables	Wave calculation
13 th	Circle	Graphs	Electricity calculation
14 th	Graphs	Graphs	Radioactivity
15 th	Graphs	Constants	Gas pressure
16 th	Relationships	Rearranging equations	Derivation
17 th	Relationships	Rearranging equations	Force/motion calculation
18 th	Graphs	Rearranging equations	Energy calculation
19 th	Graphs	Angles	Practical data
20 th	Relationships	Angles	Wave refraction
21 st	Graphs	Angles	Energy calculation
22 nd	Graphs	Angles	Radioactivity
23 rd	Definition	Definition	Pressure in a fluid
24 th	Definition	Electricity	Relationships
25 th	Definition	Gas pressure	Radioactivity
26 th	Graphs	Relationships	Energy calculation
27 th	Definition	Relationships	Practical graph
28 th	Angles	Derivation	Refraction calculation
29 th	Angles	Circular motion	Electricity calculation
30 th	Graphs	Graphs	
31 st	Graphs	Graphs	

JULY

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In July we're going to start covering some of the basics – a lot of which you will already have covered in your GCSE Science course and GCSE Maths.

This includes:

- Pythagoras and trigonometry with right-angled triangles
- Standard form
- Significant figures
- Rearranging formulas
- Simple calculations (based on your GCSE knowledge)

Many of the questions will be quick and straightforward, others may appear a little more tricky, but it's worth persevering. A Level Physics relies a lot more on mathematics than GCSE Physics - so you must be familiar with the techniques you practise this month.

There are answers in the back of the book for you to mark your work. For full worked solutions please visit the [A Level Physics website](http://ALevelPhysicsOnline.com).

Worked Examples



1. Calculate the **area**, in m^2 , of a circle with a radius of:

a. 1.25 m $A = \pi r^2 = \pi \times 1.25^2 = 4.91 \text{ m}^2$ ^{3 sf}

b. ^{3 sf} 12.5 mm $A = \pi r^2 = \pi \times (12.5 \times 10^{-3})^2 = 4.91 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$

c. 125 μm $A = \pi r^2 = \pi \times (125 \times 10^{-6})^2 = 4.91 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2$

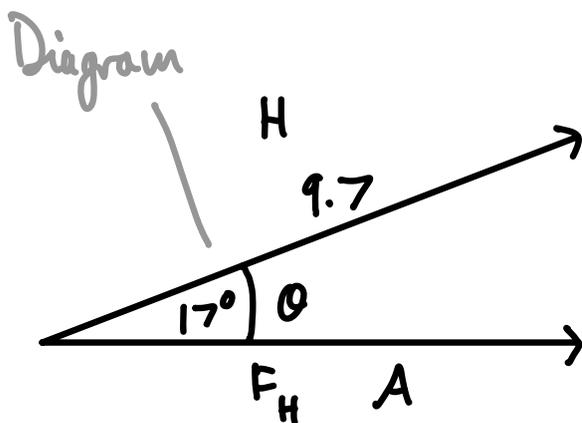
2. Calculate the **mass** of a robin flying at 8.9 m s^{-1} when it has a kinetic energy of 879 mJ.

$E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ ^{Equation + Rearrange} $m = \frac{2E_k}{v^2}$ ^{2 sf} $= \frac{2 \times 879 \times 10^{-3}}{8.9^2}$ ^{Working out}

$m = 0.02219$

$m = \underline{2.2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ kg}}$ ^{Units} ^{2 sf}

3. Calculate the **horizontal component** of a force of 9.7 N acting at 17° above the horizontal.



$\cos \theta = \frac{A}{H}$

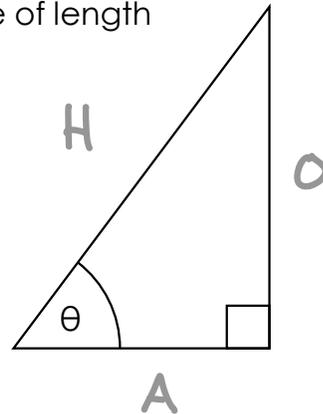
$A = H \cos \theta$

$F_H = 9.7 \times \cos 17$

$F_H = 9.276$

$F_H = \underline{9.3 \text{ N}}$

1. Calculate the **angle**, θ , in the triangle with a hypotenuse of length 10.0 cm and an opposite side length of 8.00 cm.



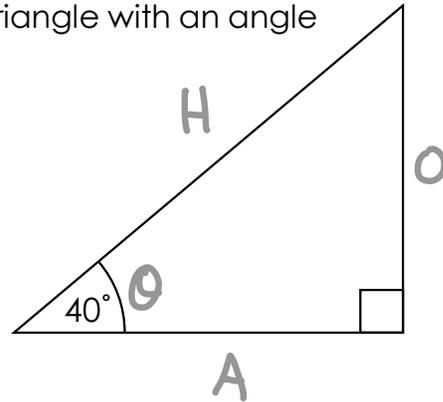
2. Write down the **proportionality relationship** between kinetic energy and (non-relativistic) mass for a moving object.

$$E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

3. Calculate the **kinetic energy** and **momentum** of a car with a mass of 1200 kg and a velocity of 30 m s⁻¹.

$$m = 1200 \text{ kg} \quad v = 30 \text{ m s}^{-1} \quad p = mv \quad E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

1. Calculate the length of the **hypotenuse** in this triangle with an angle of 40° and an adjacent side length of 2.8 m.

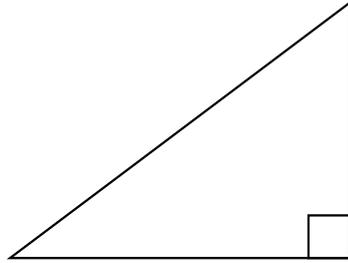


2. Write down the **proportionality relationship** between resultant force and acceleration.

3. Explain what a **vector** quantity is and identify which of these quantities are vectors:

Speed, velocity, force, mass, energy and weight

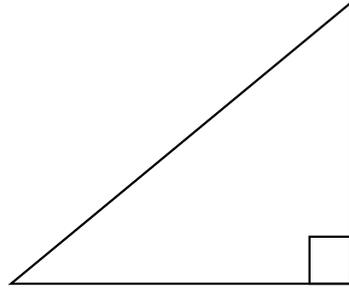
1. State **Pythagoras'** Theorem.



2. Write down the **proportionality relationship** between and frequency and time period for a wave.

3. Calculate the **frequency** of a sound wave that has a velocity of 330 m s^{-1} and a wavelength of 2.60 m .

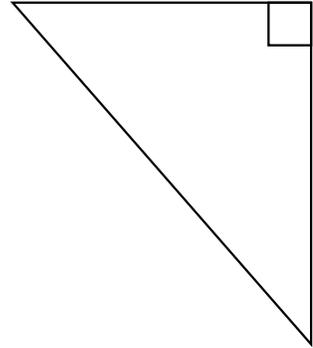
1. Calculate the length of the **hypotenuse** of an orthogonal triangle with sides of length 3.3 cm and 4.0 cm.



2. Write down the **proportionality relationship** between acceleration and mass, for a constant net force.

3. Calculate the **current** in a circuit if 50 C of charge is transferred in 20 s.

1. Calculate the length of the **side** of a right-angled triangle if the hypotenuse is 10 cm and the other side is 7.0 cm.



2. Write down the **proportionality relationship** between momentum and velocity.

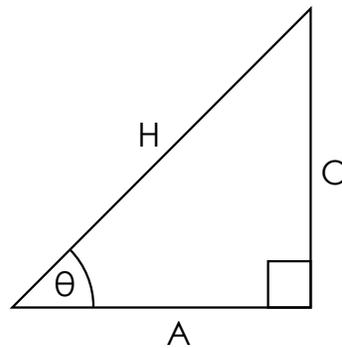
3. Describe, in as much detail as you can, the structure of an **atom**.

1. Write the following numbers in **standard form**:

- a. 8 990 000 000
- b. 299 790 000
- c. 96 485

2. For the following **triangle** where $O = 10.00$, $H = 14.14$ and $\theta = 45.0^\circ$ calculate to 3 sf:

- a. The ratio of side O to H
- b. $\sin\theta$
- c. The ratio of side A to H
- d. $\cos\theta$



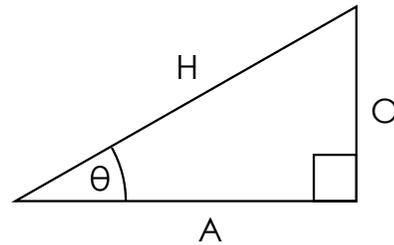
3. Calculate the **distance** travelled by an object that has a speed of 16 m s^{-1} in exactly one minute.

1. Write the following numbers in **standard form**:

- a. 0.002 898
- b. 0.000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 910 94
- c. 0.000 000 056 70

2. For the following **triangle** where $O = 2.20$, $H = 4.40$ and $\theta = 30.0^\circ$ calculate to 3 sf:

- a. The ratio of side O to H
- b. $\sin\theta$
- c. The ratio of side A to H
- d. $\cos\theta$



3. Calculate the **speed of light** if red light has a frequency 4.3×10^{14} Hz and a wavelength of 7.0×10^{-7} m.

1. Calculate, **without** using a calculator:
 - a. 4.0×10^4 divided by 2.0×10^7
 - b. 2.0×10^4 divided by 4.0×10^7
 - c. 2.0×10^7 divided by 4.0×10^7
 - d. 2.0×10^7 divided by 4.0×10^4

2. Rearrange the following to make **d** the subject:
 - a. $E = V / d$

 - b. $n\lambda = d\sin\theta$

 - c. $A = \pi d^2 / 4$

3. Calculate the **acceleration** of an object that slows down from 70 m s^{-1} to rest in 5.0 minutes.

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1. Calculate, **without** a calculator:
 - a. 2.0×10^4 plus 4.0×10^4
 - b. 2.0×10^5 plus 4.0×10^4
 - c. 2.0×10^4 plus 4.0×10^5
 - d. 8.0×10^4 plus 4.0×10^5

2. Rearrange *the following* to make **Q** the subject.
 - a. $r = p / BQ$

 - b. $V = W / Q$

 - c. $F = BQv$

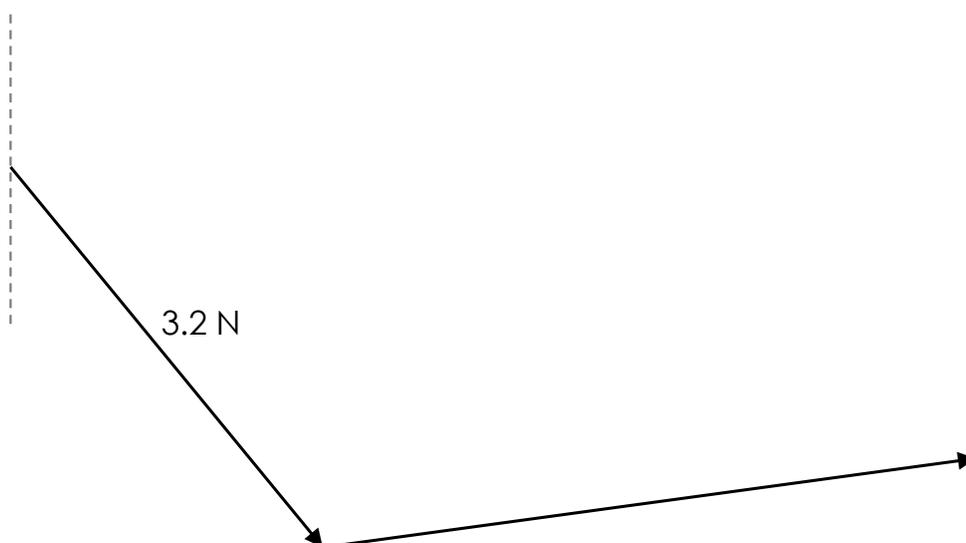
3. A wave travels at $5.00 \times 10^4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$. Calculate its **wavelength** if its frequency is $7.00 \times 10^2 \text{ Hz}$.

1. Calculate, **without** a calculator:

- a. 2.0×10^4 minus 4.0×10^4
- b. 2.0×10^5 minus 4.0×10^4
- c. 2.0×10^4 minus 4.0×10^5
- d. 8.0×10^4 minus 4.0×10^5

2. State **Newton's 1st Law** and provide a real-life example.

3. Complete the tip-to-tail vector diagram by drawing in the resultant vector, working out its **magnitude** and measuring the **angle** from the vertical.

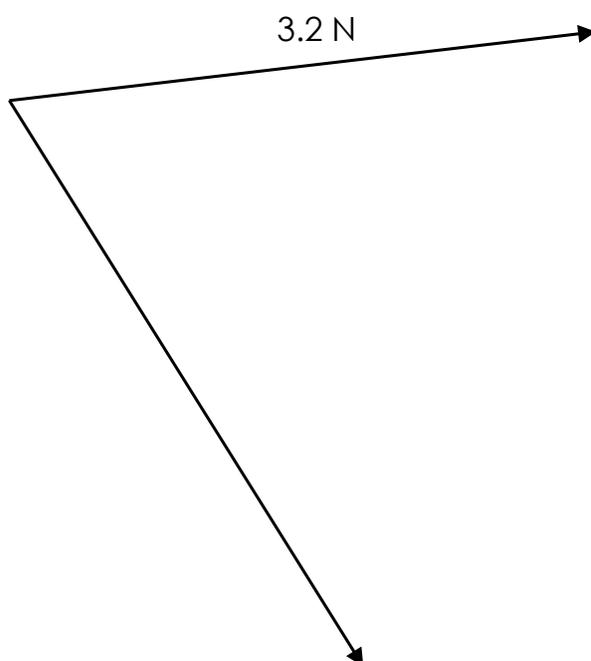


1. Calculate the **mean**, **mode** and **median** of the following set of numbers:

2, 3, 3, 3, 6, 8, 10

2. State **Newton's 2nd Law** and describe a real-life example to illustrate it in action.

3. Complete the vector diagram using the **parallelogram** method. Draw in the resultant vector and work out its magnitude.

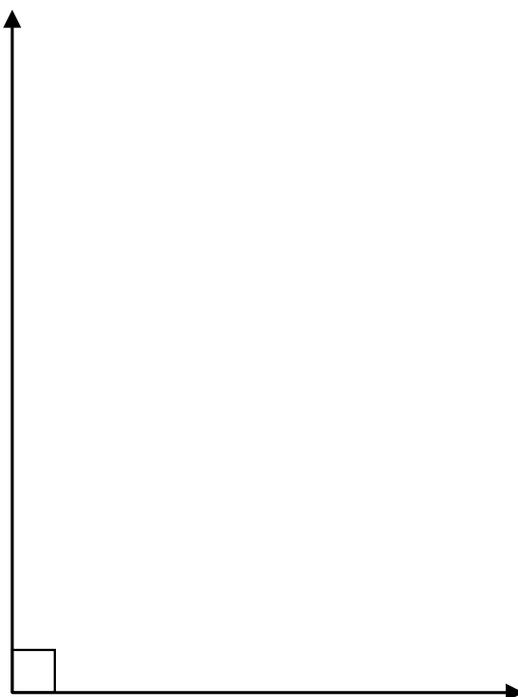


1. Calculate the **mean**, **mode** and **median** of the following set of numbers:

45, 46, 39, 40, 50, 45, 51

2. State **Newton's 3rd Law** (between two objects A and B) and give a relevant example.

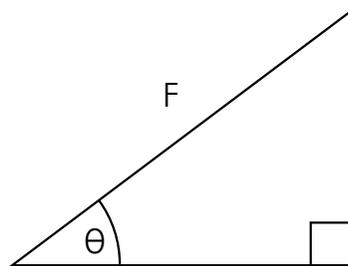
3. Calculate, using a **graphical** method, the size of the resultant force produced by these two perpendicular forces (where 1 cm = 1 N).



1. Calculate the following to an **appropriate** number of significant figures:

- a. $30 + 50$
- b. $30.1 \div 49.97$
- c. $30.0 + 50.0$
- d. 30×49.97

2. Calculate the **opposite** and **adjacent** sides of the triangle if $F = 550 \text{ N}$ and $\theta = 39^\circ$.



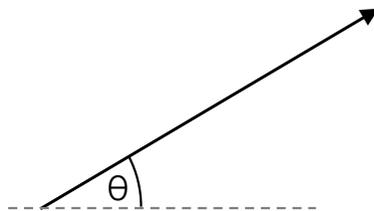
3. Describe the changes to a nucleus's **proton** and **mass** numbers if it decays by emitting:

a. Alpha radiation

b. Beta minus radiation

c. Gamma radiation

1. Calculate the following to an **appropriate** number of significant figures:
 - a. 9.2×10^2 multiplied by 8.3×10^{-2}
 - b. 9.21×10^2 multiplied by 8.3×10^{-2}
 - c. 9.2×10^{22} multiplied by 8.317×10^{-20}
 - d. 9.210×10^{22} multiplied by 8.317×10^{-20}
2. Calculate the **horizontal** and **vertical** components of a resultant force of 100 N acting at 30° above the horizontal.

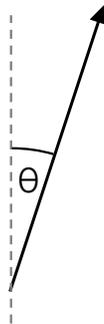


3. Calculate the **initial** velocity of a ball if its final velocity is 3.00 m s^{-1} after it accelerates at 24 m s^{-2} over 0.15 m .

1. Solve:

- a. $4x + 20 = 0$
- b. $15x - 30 > 0$
- c. $8x - 16 < 0$
- d. $x^2 - 4 = 0$

2. Calculate the **horizontal** and **vertical** components of a force of 24.0 kN acting at 19° from the vertical plane.

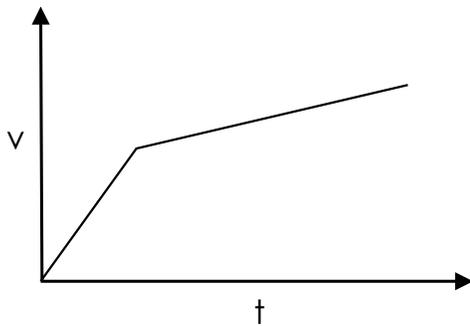


3. Calculate the **maximum** theoretical height a 300 g ball would reach if fired vertically upwards with an initial kinetic energy of 400 J.

Assume negligible air resistance and use $g = 9.81 \text{ N kg}^{-1}$

1. Define the **joule**.

2. Describe what the **area** underneath a velocity-time graph represents.



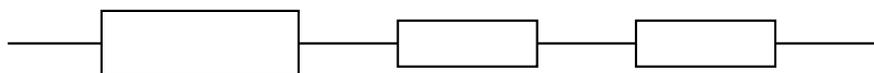
3. Calculate the **energy transferred per second** in a resistor with 2.0 V across it and 0.30 A through it.

1. Define the **frequency** of a wave.

2. Calculate the **area** under the graph of $y = 3$ between $x = 0$ and $x = 3$.
Sketching the graph may help.



3. Calculate the **total resistance** when a $1.0 \text{ k}\Omega$ resistor is connected in series to two 400Ω resistors.



1. Define **fission** and **fusion**.

2. Calculate the **area** under the graph of $y = 2x$ between $x = 0$ and $x = 4$.
Sketching the graph may help.

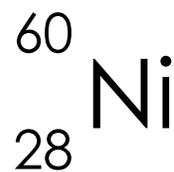
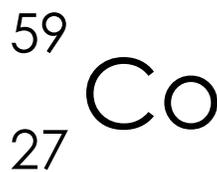
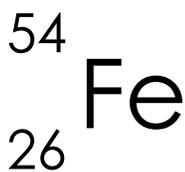
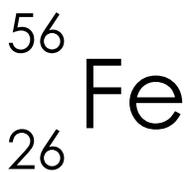


3. Calculate the **frequency** of a sound wave with a speed of 330 m s^{-1} and a wavelength of 30 cm .

1. $y = mx + c$ describes a graph with a straight line of gradient 'm' and y-intercept 'c'.

Write down the **gradient** and **y-intercept** of the graphs with equation:

- $y = 2x + 3$
 - $y = 3x + 2$
 - $y = 6x + 3$
 - $y = 6 + 3x$
2. Rearrange $F = BIL\sin\theta$ to make:
- B** the subject
 - I** the subject
 - L** the subject
 - θ** the subject
3. Write down the number of **protons**, **neutrons** and **electrons** in the following atoms:



1. Calculate the **gradient** and **y-intercept** of the line with equation:

a. $2y = 4x + 8$

b. $4y - 6 = x/2$

c. $0 = x + y$

d. $x = 0.5y + 2$

2. Rearrange $V_g = Gm / r$ to make **m** the subject.

3. A ray of light at 25° to the surface of a plane mirror is reflected (with a specular reflection). Calculate the angle of **reflection** (a diagram will help).

1. Calculate the gradient and hence the **equation** of the straight-line graph that goes through the points (1, 2) and (5, 10).

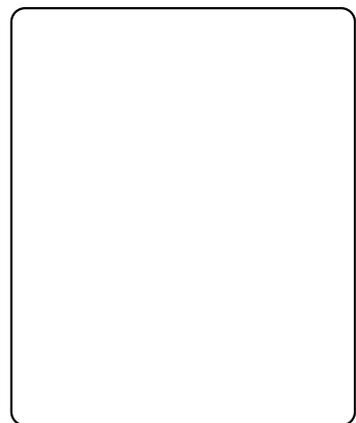
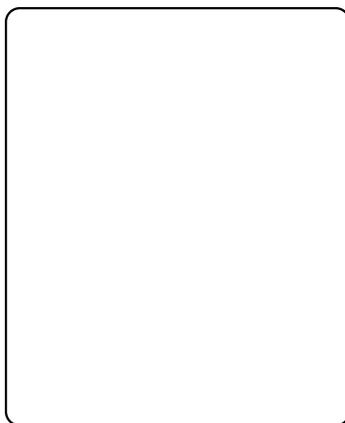
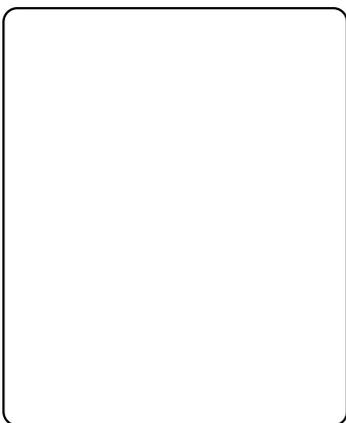
2. Rearrange the following to make **p** the subject:

a. $m = p / v$

b. $pV = NkT$

c. $E_k = p^2 / 2m$

3. Sketch the arrangement of particles in a **solid**, a **liquid** and a **gas**.



1. **Sketch** the graphs of $y = 3x + 1$ and $y = x + 3$.



2. Write down **two** ways of defining radioactive **half-life**.

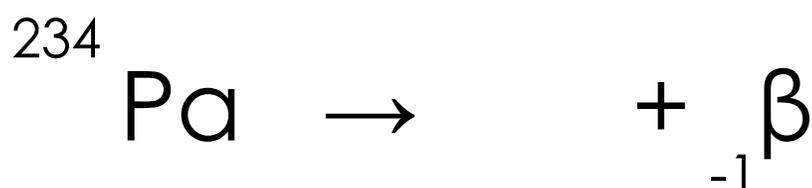
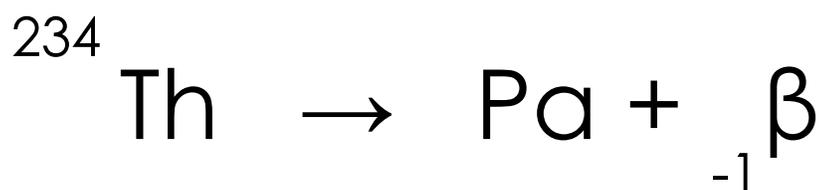
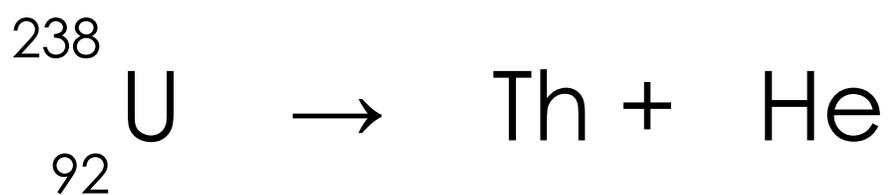
3. Calculate the **acceleration** of a car when it slows down from 10 m s^{-1} to 3.0 m s^{-1} in 2.5 s.

1. **Sketch** the graphs of $y = e^x$ and $y = e^{-x}$.



2. Define electrical **resistance**.

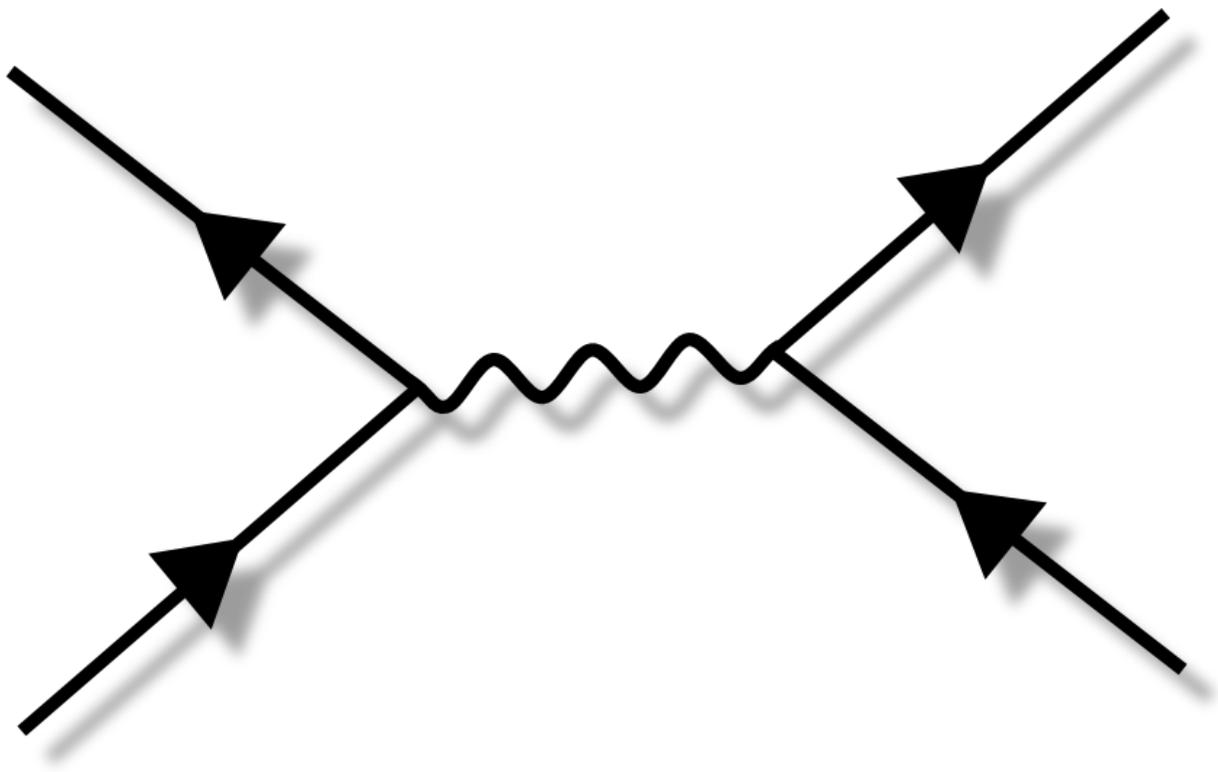
3. Complete the following **nuclear** equations:



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Record your progress at the end of the month and have another go at any questions you may have missed.

A Level Physics Content	Red	Amber	Green
I can use standard form .			
I can give an answer to an appropriate number of significant figures .			
I can use Pythagoras to calculate the length of the third side of a triangle.			
I can identify the opposite, adjacent and hypotenuse of a right-angled triangle.			
I can resolve the horizontal and vertical components of a vector quantity.			
I can rearrange simple equations.			
I can recall Newton's 3 Laws .			
Any other comments:			



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It's the middle of the summer holidays and you're making great progress so far!

A lot of the questions are still based on your GCSE knowledge but these skills are essential for every single topic next year.

You will probably have many questions about the structure of your forthcoming A Level course, so I have put some resources together for you to have a look at.

This includes:

- An overview of A Level Physics
- Introductory videos for every topic
- Links to GCSE videos if you need a quick recap

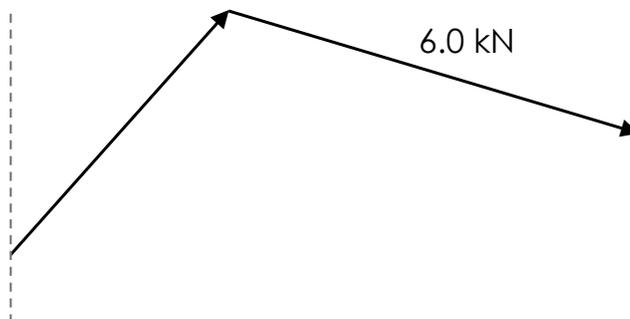


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1. Calculate the **area**, in m^2 , of a circle with a radius of:
 - a. 2.0 m
 - b. 4.0 m
 - c. 4.0 cm
 - d. 4.0 mm

2. Complete the tip-to-tail vector diagram by drawing in the resultant vector, working out its **magnitude** and measuring the **angle** from the vertical.



3. Write down the seven **base units** that all other derived units can be expressed in.

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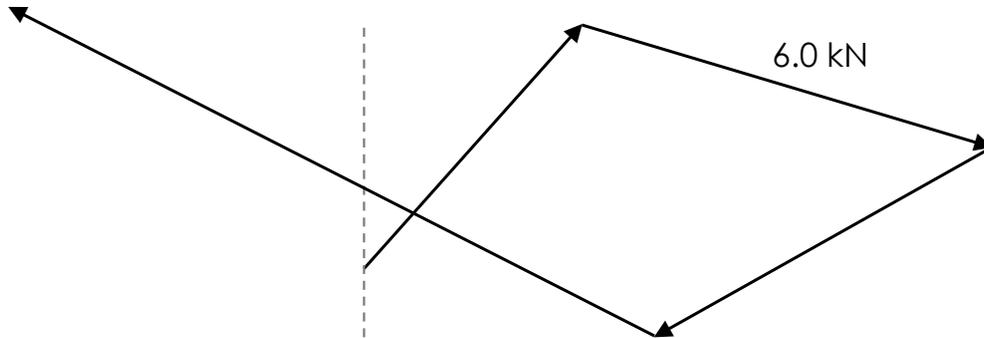
1. Calculate the **area**, in m^2 , of a circle with:
 - a. Radius 5.0 mm
 - b. Diameter 5.0 mm
 - c. Diameter 10.0 mm
 - d. Circumference 10.0 mm

2. Find out what the following **symbols** in A Level Physics represent:
 - a. G
 - b. ϵ_0
 - c. ρc
 - d. h
 - e. eV
 - f. m_e

3. Show that the base units for **joules** are $\text{kg m}^2 \text{s}^{-2}$.

1. Calculate the **area**, in m^2 , of a triangle with a:
 - a. Vertical height of 36 cm and a base of 11 cm
 - b. Vertical height of 18 cm and a base of 36 cm
 - c. Vertical height of 36.2 cm and a base of 1.13 m

2. Complete the tip-to-tail vector diagram by drawing in the resultant vector, working out its **magnitude** and measuring the **angle** from the vertical.



3. Calculate the **horizontal** and **vertical** components of a 10.1 N force acting at 17.2° above the horizontal.

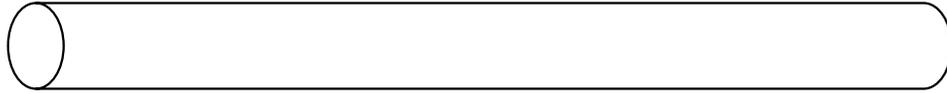
4th August

1. Calculate the **surface area**, in m^2 , of a sphere with a radius of:
 - a. 0.80 m
 - b. 0.40 m
 - c. 0.20 m
 - d. 0.10 m

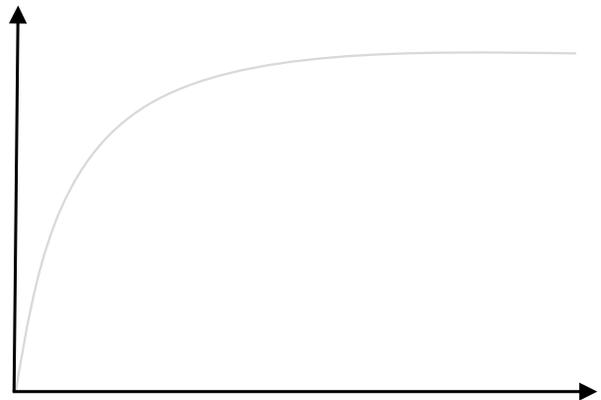
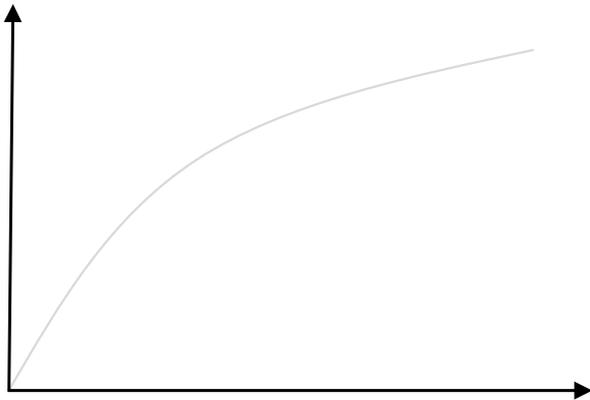
2. Find out the values for the following **constants** used regularly throughout A Level Physics:
 - a. Mass of an electron
 - b. Planck's constant
 - c. Speed of light
 - d. Elementary charge
 - e. Gravitational field strength on Earth's surface
 - f. Acceleration due to gravity on Earth

3. Calculate the **direction** of the resultant force when 9.81 N acts to the right and 3.24 N acts downwards.

1. Calculate the **volume** and **surface area** of a cylinder with a radius of 92 mm and a length of 2.7 m.



2. Trace the following **curves**.



3. A catapult launches a stone vertically at 25 m s^{-1} . By equating kinetic energy and gravitational potential energy, calculate the **maximum height** reached.

Assume there are no energy losses and there is negligible air resistance.

7th August

1. Calculate the **volume**, in m^3 , and **surface area**, in m^2 , of a sphere with a radius of:
 - a. 82 mm
 - b. 6.4 cm
 - c. 6400 km
 - d. 6.96×10^5 km

2. Rearrange the following to make **T** the subject:
 - a. $f = 1 / T$

 - b. $W = T\theta$

 - c. $pV = nRT$

 - d. $P = \sigma AT^4$

3. Calculate the **speed** of a wave that has a time period of 4.0 s and a wavelength of 40 m.

1. Calculate the **diameter**, in m, of a wire with a cross-sectional area of:
 - a. 1.0 m^2
 - b. 0.16 m^2
 - c. 100 mm^2
 - d. $1.7 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2$

2. Rearrange the following to make ω the subject:
 - a. $P = T\omega$

 - b. $v_{\max} = \omega a$

 - c. $F = m\omega^2 r$

 - d. $E_k = \frac{1}{2}I\omega^2$

3. A radioactive sample has an initial activity of 2 000 Bq.
Calculate the **activity** of the sample after 4 half-lives.

1. Calculate the **volume**, in m^3 , of a cylinder with a :
 - a. Radius of 920 mm and a height of 2.7 m
 - b. Length of 20 m and diameter 1.9 mm
 - c. Length 2.1 m and radius 0.89 mm

2. Rearrange the following to make **V** the subject:
 - a. $\rho = m / V$

 - b. $R = V / I$

 - c. $pV = NkT$

 - d. $P = V^2 / R$

3. 0.050 m^3 of a gas is at a pressure of 220 kPa. The volume is decreased to 0.010 m^3 .
Calculate the **pressure** of the gas after it has been compressed, provided the temperature has remained constant.

1. Calculate the gradient and hence the **equation** of the straight-line graph that goes through the points (0, 2) and (5, 7).

2. Rearrange the following to make **v** the subject:
 - a. $P = Fv$

 - b. $F = BQv$

 - c. $F = mv^2 / r$

 - d. $\Delta f / f = v / c$

3. The driving force of a motorbike's engine is 2 000 N and the resistive force the bike experiences is 600 N. The bike and rider have a total weight of 2800 N.
Calculate the **acceleration**. Use $g = 9.81 \text{ N kg}^{-1}$.

11th August

1. Calculate the gradient and hence the **equation** of the straight-line graph that goes through the points (8, 11) and (-3, -22).

2. Rearrange the following to make **r** the subject:
 - a. $T = Fr$

 - b. $F = 6\pi\eta rv$

 - c. $F = m\omega^2 r$

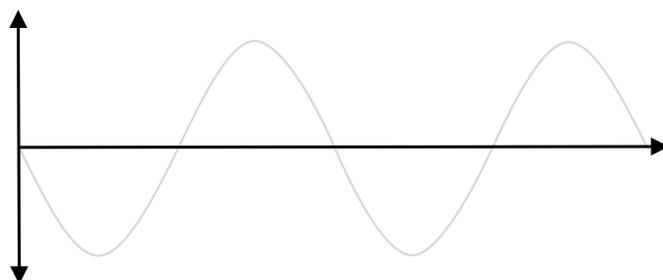
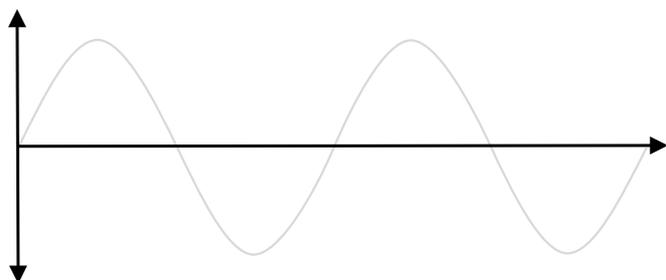
 - d. $a = v^2 / r$

3. A mountain biker accelerates for 20 s from rest over a distance of 85 m. The cyclist and their bike have a mass of 110 kg.
Calculate the **kinetic energy** gained by the cyclist.

1. Calculate the **area**, in m^2 , of a circle with a diameter of:

- a. 0.800 mm
- b. 0.00142 m
- c. 805 μm
- d. 0.10 cm

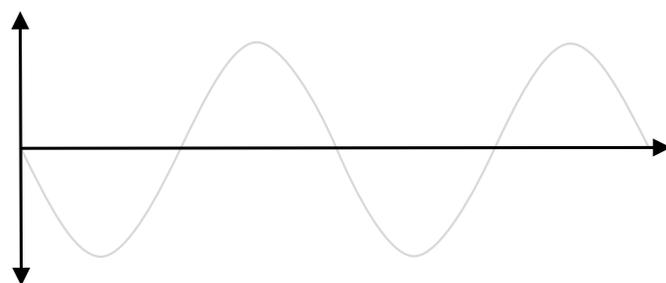
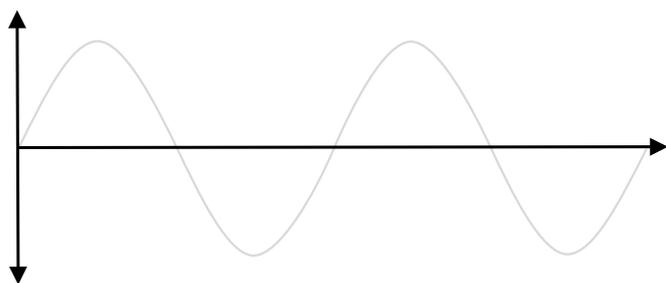
2. Identify the **sinusoidal** curves below and trace the lines.



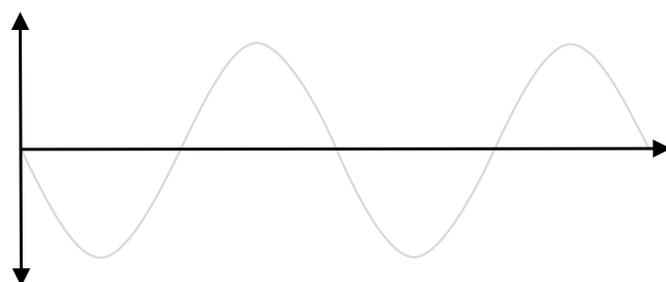
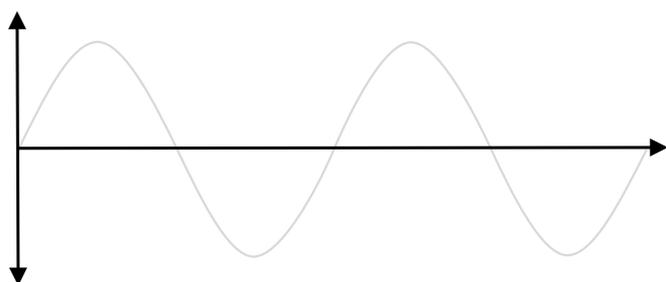
3. Two resistors are connected in series. The circuit is set up with a 6.0 V battery and has a current of 0.30 A. The first resistor has a resistance of 12 Ω .

Calculate the **resistance** of the second resistor and the **potential difference** across each of the two resistors.

1. Sketch the **sinusoidal** curves with the same frequency and half the amplitude.

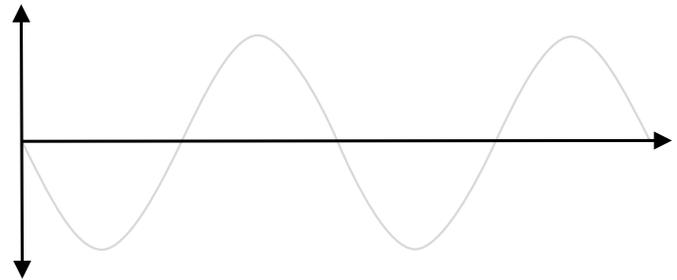
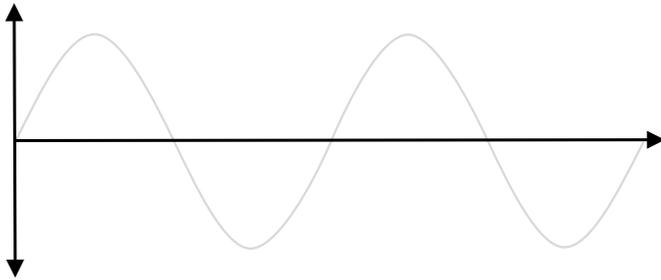


2. Sketch the **sinusoidal** curves with the same amplitude and twice the frequency.



3. The half-life of a sample is 3.0 hours and the number of nuclei in the sample is 6.4×10^{10} . Calculate the **number** of original nuclei left after 1 day.

1. Sketch the **sinusoidal** curves with four times the frequency and half the amplitude.

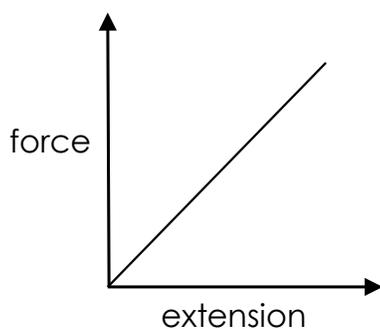


2. Find the **value** and **units** for the following constants:

- Avogadro's constant
 - Molar gas constant
 - Gravitational constant
 - Elementary charge
3. The pressure of 22.4 cm^3 of a gas at 130°C is 400 kPa . The pressure is gradually increased to 550 kPa .

Calculate the **volume**, in m^3 , of the gas after it has been compressed, provided the temperature remains constant.

- Use one of the following symbols; <, <<, > or >>, to describe the **relationship** between:
 - 10 and 9
 - 100 and 9
 - 3.7 and 4.1
 - 660×10^{-9} and 6.5×10^{-7}
- Rearrange the following to make ω_1 the subject:
 - $\omega_2 = \omega_1 + at$
 - $\omega_2^2 = \omega_1^2 + 2a\theta$
 - $\theta = \omega_1 t + \frac{1}{2}at^2$
 - $\theta = \frac{1}{2}(\omega_1 + \omega_2)t$
- Use the expression for force, $F = ke$, and the area under a force-extension graph to **derive** an expression for elastic potential energy in terms of spring constant and extension.



17th August

- Use one of the following symbols; <, <<, > or >>, to describe the **relationship** between:
 - 5.97×10^{24} and 4.87×10^{24}
 - 5.97×10^{24} and 1.99×10^{30}
 - 5.97×10^{24} and 6 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000
 - The mass of an electron and 1×10^{-30}

- Rearrange the following to make λ the subject:
 - $v = f\lambda$

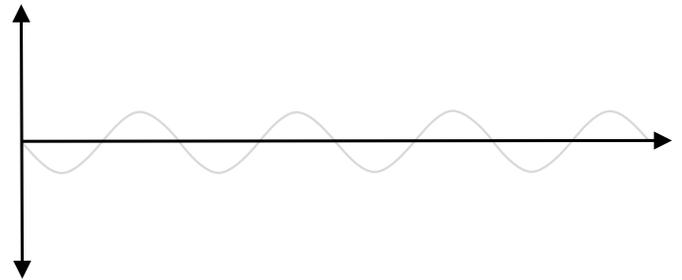
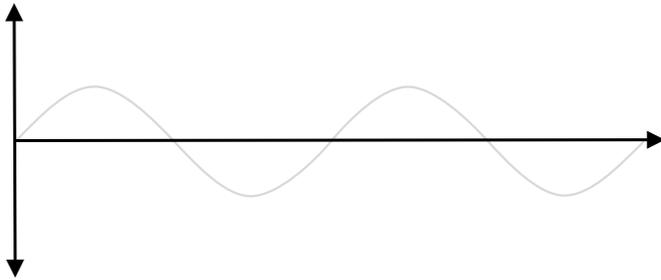
 - $d \sin\theta = n\lambda$

 - $w = \lambda D / s$

 - $\theta = \lambda / D$

- An explorer pulls a sled at 30° to the horizontal with a force of 350 N but the friction of the snow resists the motion with a force of 90 N. The sled initially accelerates at 1.6 m s^{-2} .
Calculate the sled's **mass**.

1. Sketch **sinusoidal** curves with double the frequency and twice the amplitude.



2. Rearrange the following to make **r** the subject:

a. $V = kQ / r$

b. $E = kQ / r^2$

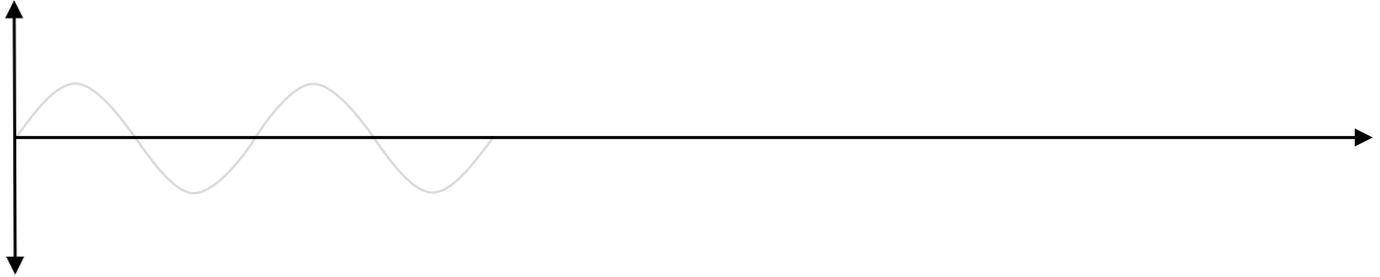
c. $F = kQ_1Q_2 / r^2$

d. $F = GMm / r^2$

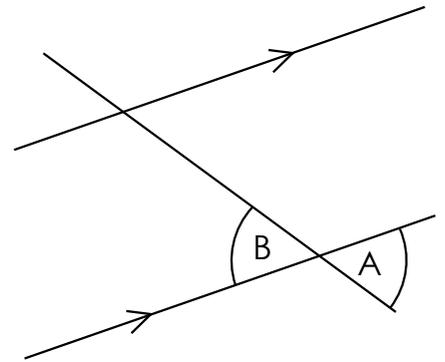
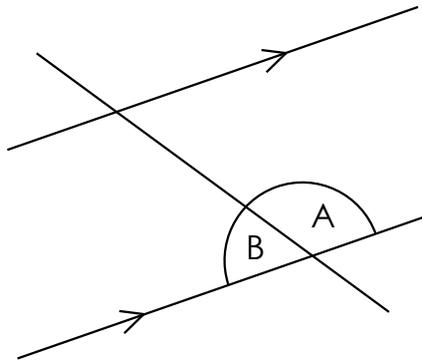
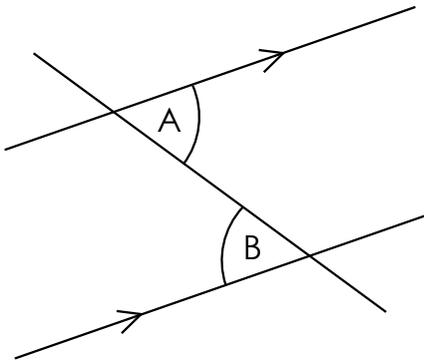
3. A large catapult has a spring constant of $6\,000\text{ N m}^{-1}$ and is extended by 2.00 m . An object is fired vertically upwards and reaches a maximum height of 430 m .

Calculate the **mass** of the object.

1. Sketch a **sinusoidal** curve on the axis below.



2. Write down the value of **A** if $B = 54^\circ$.



3. Below is part of a table of a student's results from a practical, which was repeated 5 times.

Force / N	2.2	2.3	2.2	1.2	2.1
Extension / mm	10	10	10	10	10

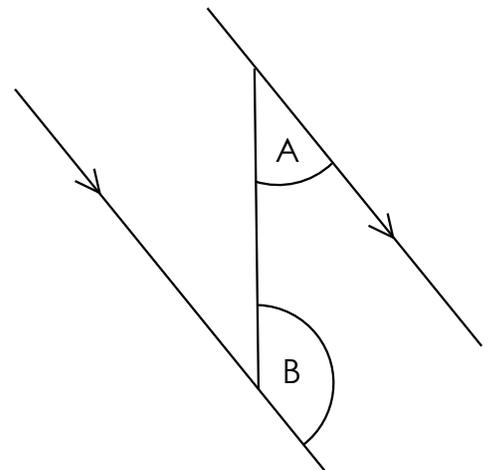
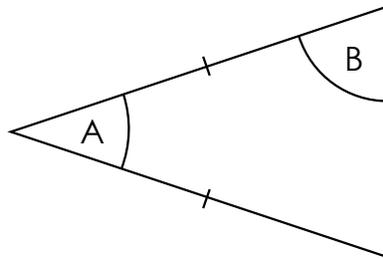
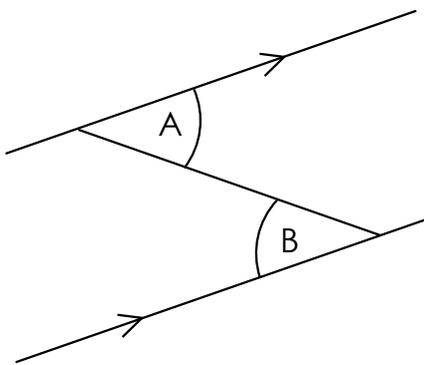
a. Identify the **anomaly**

b. Calculate the **average** force needed to extend the spring by 10 mm

20th August

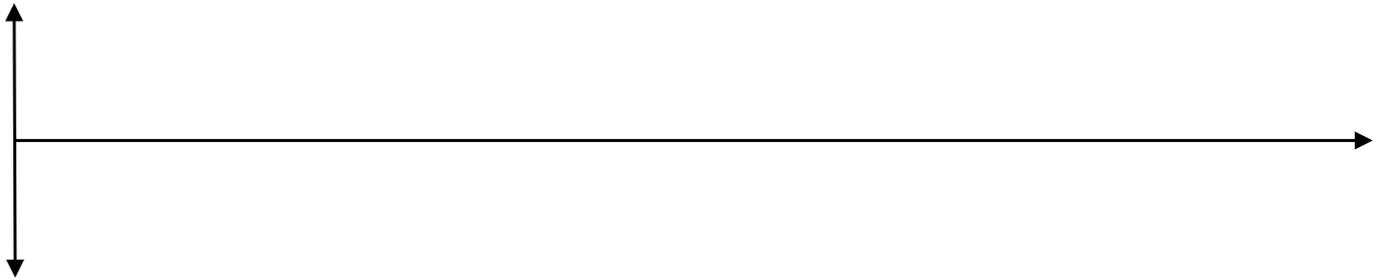
- Use one of the following symbols; $<$, \ll , $>$ or \gg , to describe the **relationship** between the:
 - Mass of the Earth and the mass of the Sun
 - Mass of a proton and neutron
 - Mass of a proton and an electron
 - Mass of a black hole and the mass of the Sun

- Calculate the value of **B** if $A = 40^\circ$.

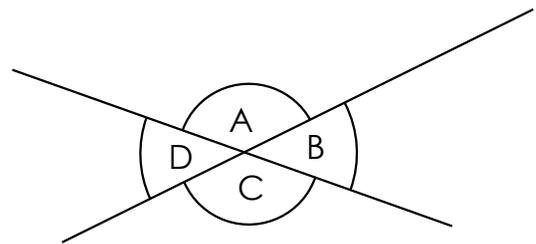


- Using a wavefront diagram, explain how **refraction** occurs as a wave crosses a boundary between two media.

1. Sketch a **sinusoidal** curve on the axis below.



2. a. Write down the **sum** of A and B

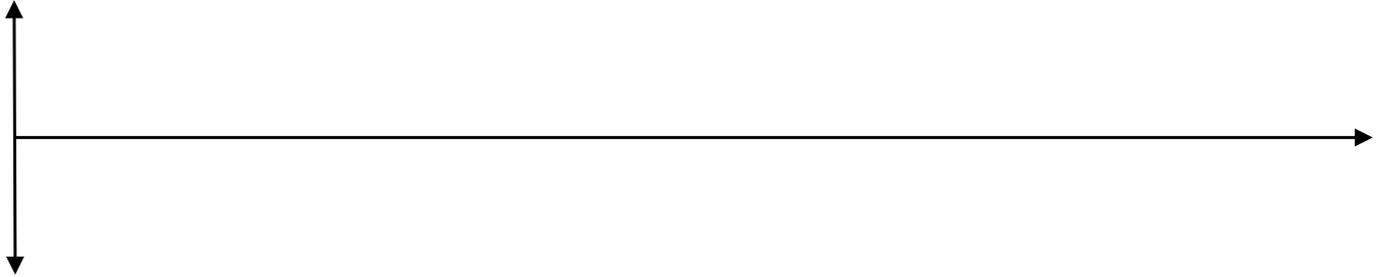


b. Write down the value of **C** if $D = 47^\circ$

3. A netball held at rest at a height of 1.45 m is dropped by a player. Calculate the **speed** of the ball just before it hits the floor and how **long** it takes to fall.

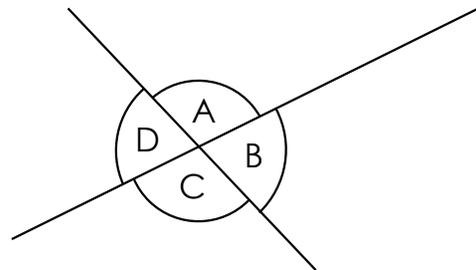
22nd August

1. Sketch a **sinusoidal** curve below – this should be better than the one you drew yesterday!



2. a. Write down the **relationship** between D and B

- b. Write down the value of **A** if $C = 107^\circ$



3. Write down the general formula for **alpha** decay on an element, X, with mass number, A, and atomic number, Z.

Describe what happens in the nucleus when this occurs.

23rd August



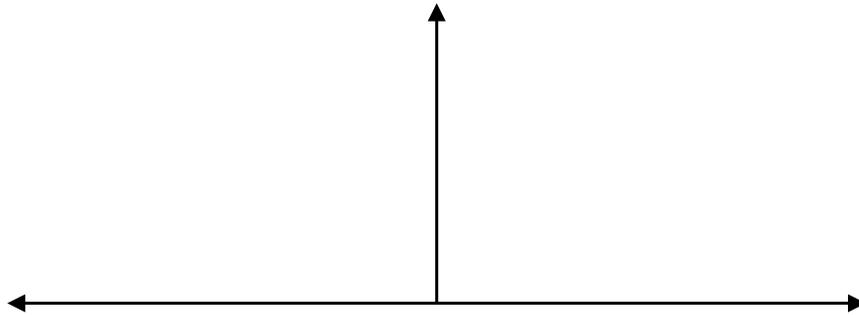
1. Define the **conservation of linear momentum**.

2. Describe the phenomena of **reflection**. Include explanations for both specular and diffuse reflection.

3. Calculate the **depth** someone would need to dive to, in order to experience a pressure increase equal to that of atmospheric pressure.

$$(p_{\text{atm}} = 101 \text{ kPa and } \rho_{\text{water}} = 1\,000 \text{ kg m}^{-3})$$

1. **Sketch** the graphs of $y = e^x$ and $y = e^{-x}$ on the same axis.



2. Describe the effect that decreasing the **temperature** of a gas has on its **pressure** if the volume remains constant. Explain why this happens.

3. A rocket, which has a mass of 3.00×10^5 kg accelerates vertically upwards such that it reaches a velocity of 200 m s^{-1} at a height of 5.00 km.

Calculate the total **kinetic** and **gravitational potential** energy the rocket has gained from the chemical store of the rocket fuel, assuming its mass is unchanged and that the gravitational field strength is still 9.81 N kg^{-1} at that height.

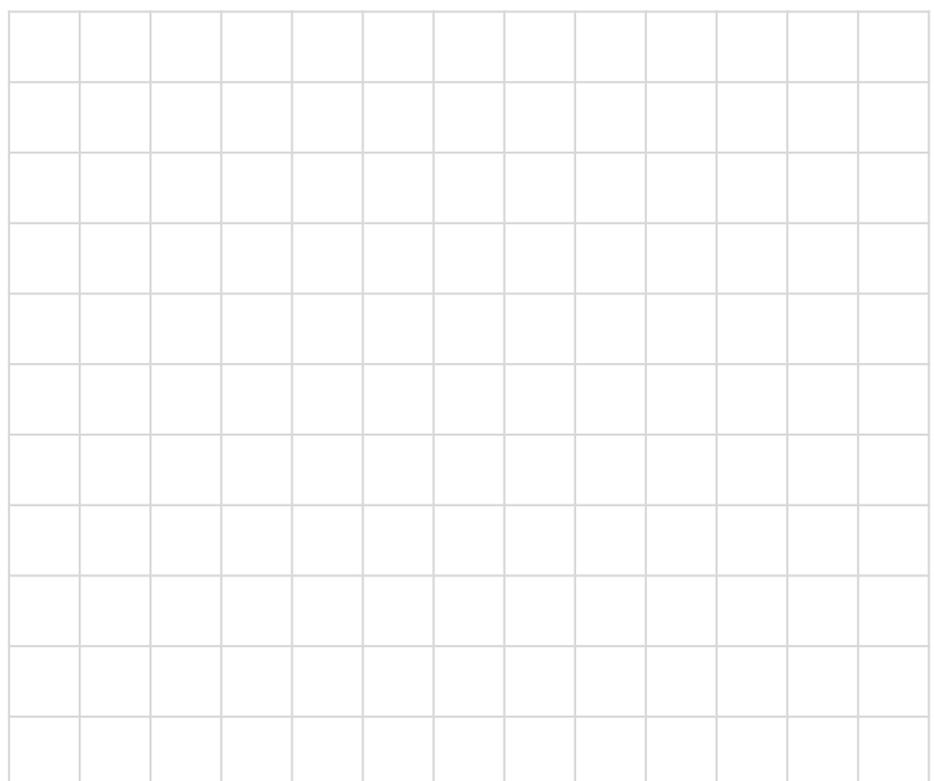
1. Define **specific heat capacity**.

2. Describe the effect that increasing the **temperature** of a gas has on its **volume**, if the pressure remains constant. Explain why this happens.

3. Below is a table of results from a practical investigation with a spring.

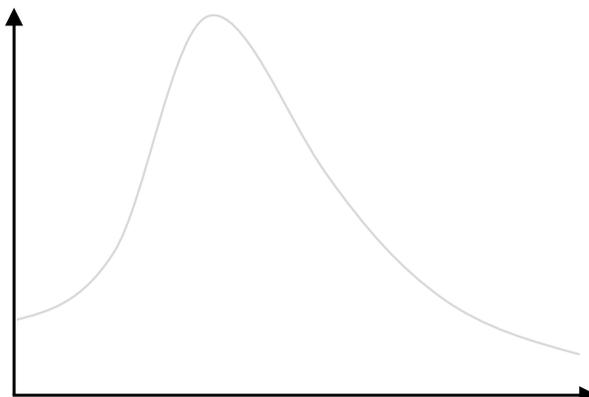
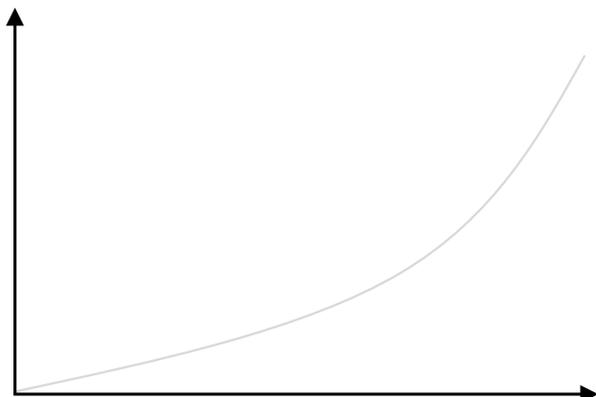
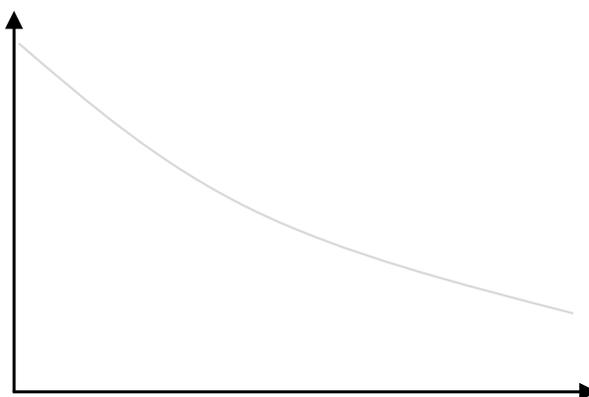
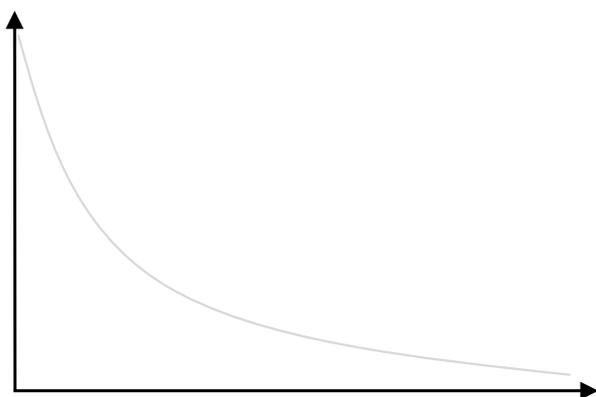
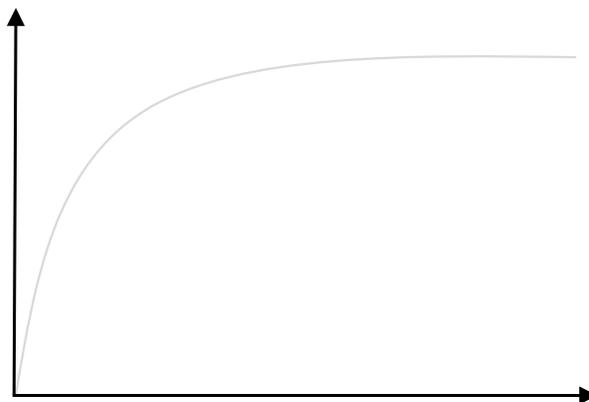
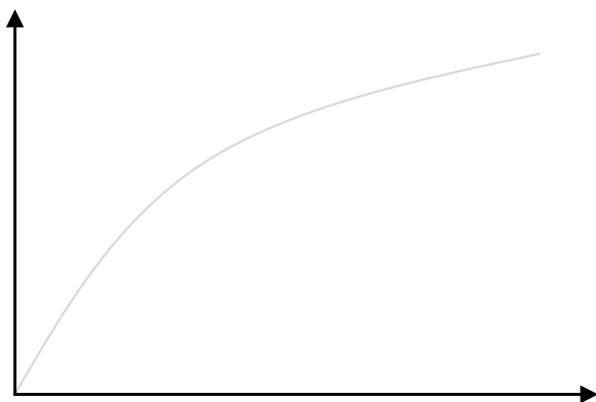
Plot the points on a graph and draw an **appropriate** line of best fit.

Extension / cm	Energy / J
1.0	4.0
2.0	15
3.0	36
4.0	48
5.0	98



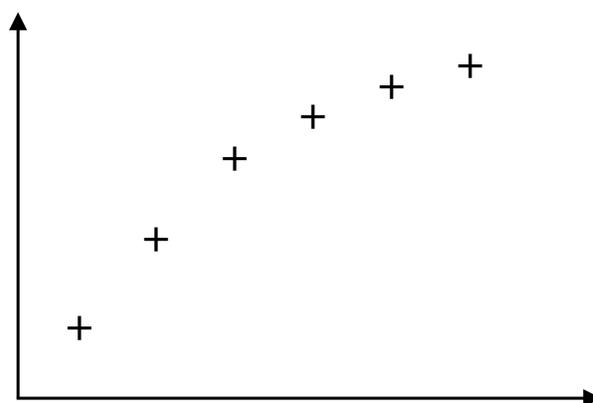
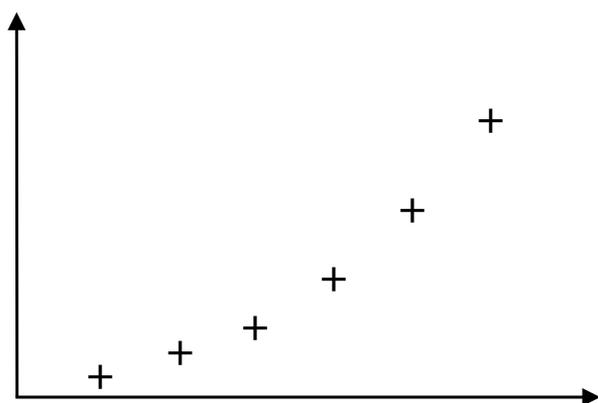
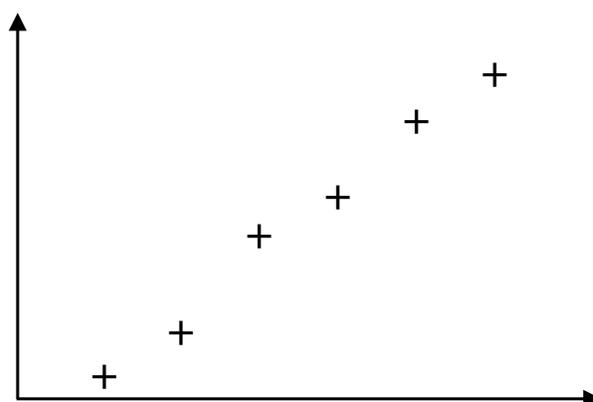
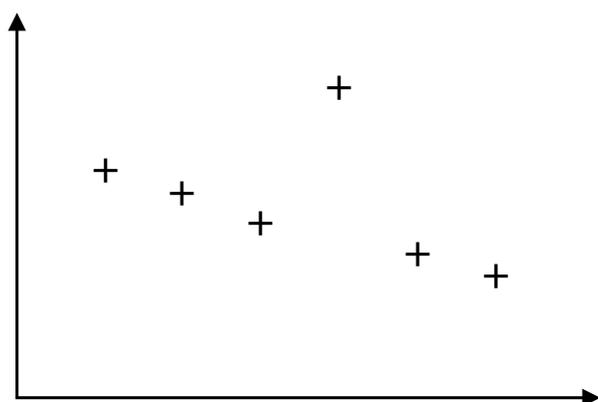
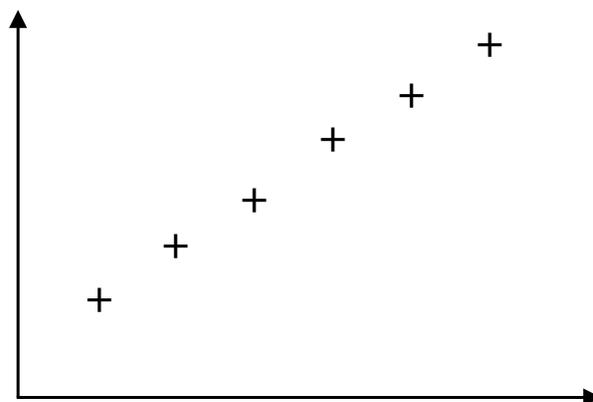
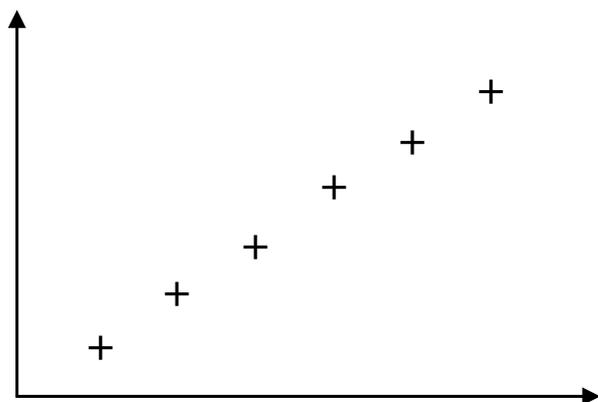
30th August - Part 1

1. Trace the following **curves**.



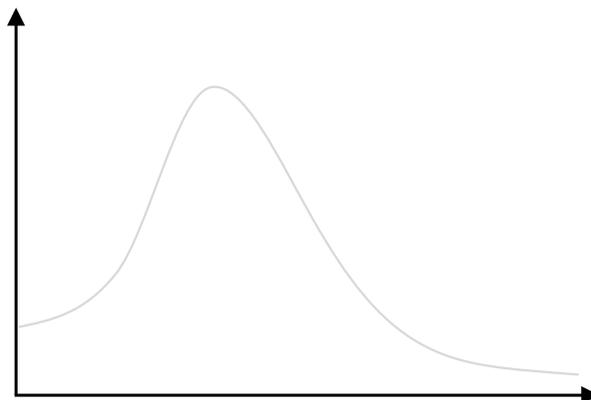
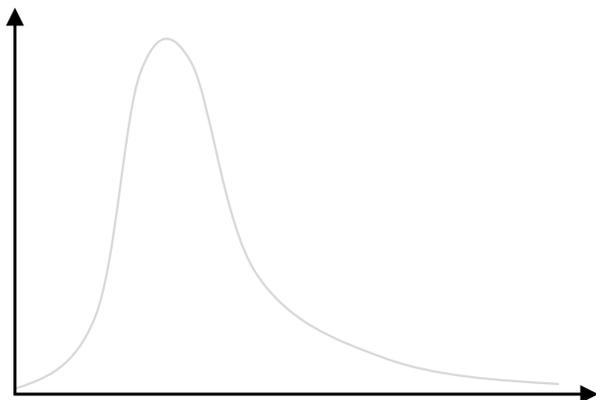
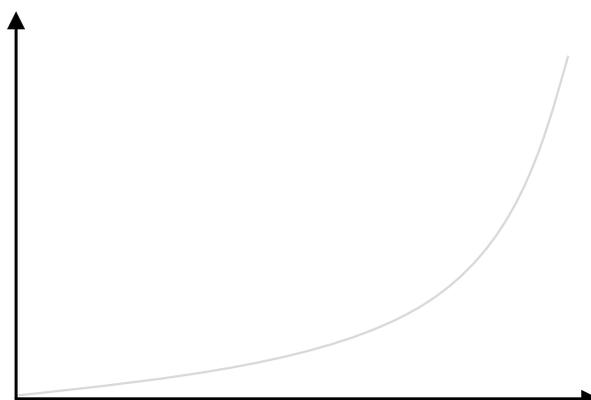
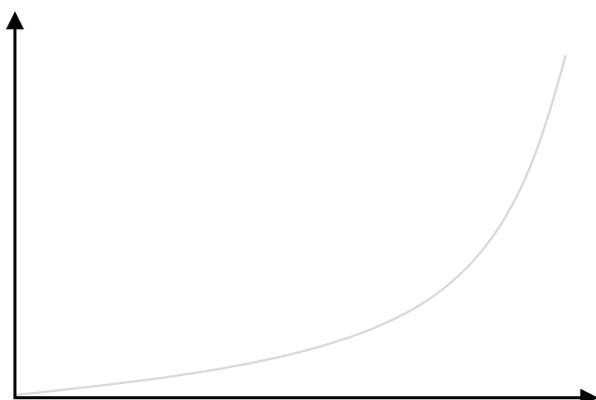
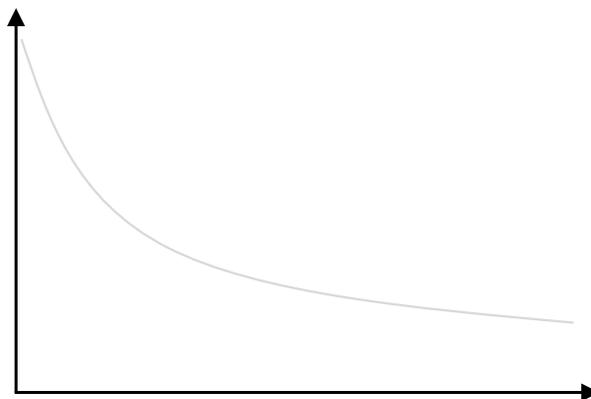
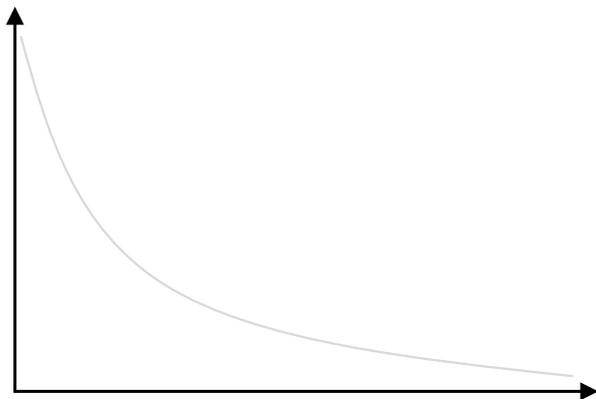
30th August - Part 2

2. Draw an appropriate **line of best fit** for the following graphs.



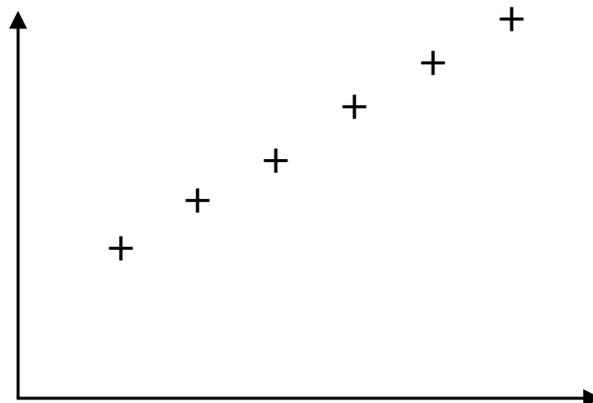
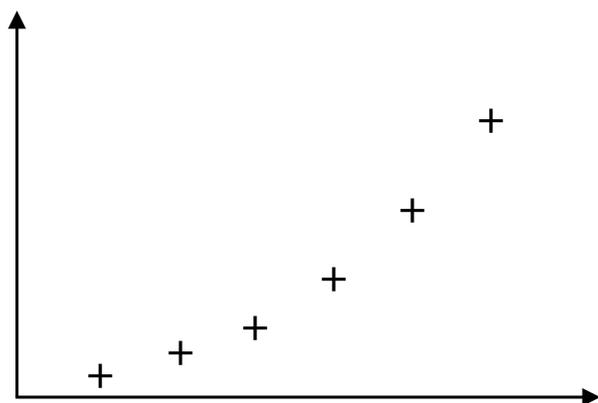
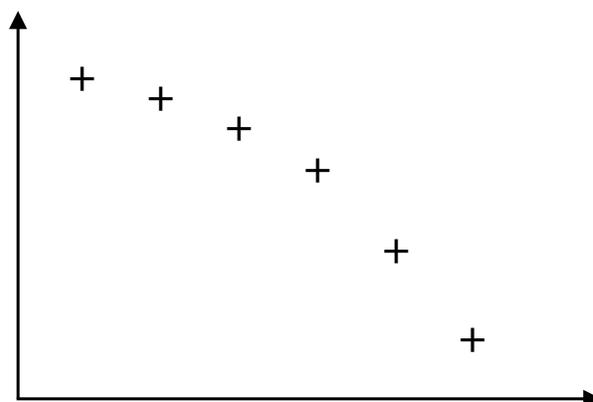
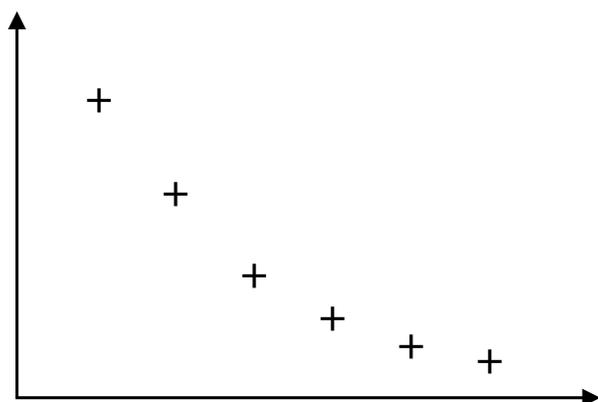
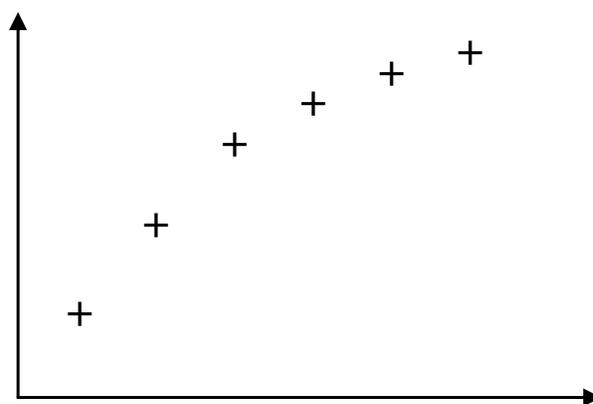
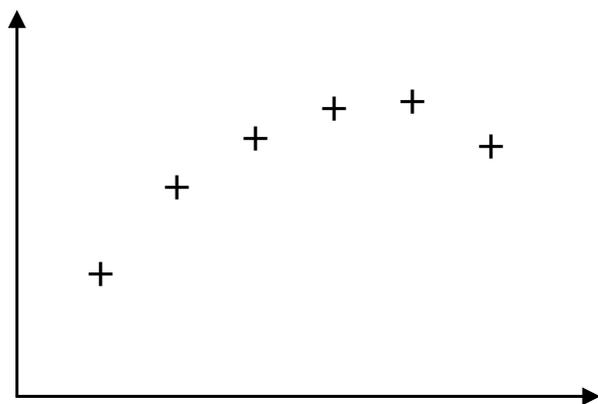
31st August - Part 1

1. Trace the following **curves**.



31st August - Part 2

2. Draw an appropriate **line of best fit** for the following graphs.



AUGUST REVIEW

Just like in July, reflect on the progress you have made and have another go at any questions you may have missed this month.

A Level Physics Content	Red	Amber	Green
I can convert from prefixes to SI units .			
I can complete vector diagrams to work out the magnitude and direction of the resultant vector by scale drawing .			
I can calculate the cross-sectional area of a circle .			
I can calculate the surface area and volume of a sphere .			
I can sketch a sinusoidal curve.			
I can draw an appropriate line of best fit .			
Any other comments:			

SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER

It's going to begin soon!

This can be a challenging time as you meet new teachers and the work is a step up from GCSE – stay positive, you will quickly learn to adapt.

Make sure you have the following equipment so you're prepared for your first few lessons:

- Pens
- Pencil, rubber and sharpener
- A4 ring binders
- Scientific calculator
- 30 cm clear ruler
- Compass
- Protractor
- Two set squares



1st September

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1. Calculate the **angle**, θ , in the triangle with an opposite side length of 6.50 m and an adjacent side length of 8.00 m.



2. Write the following derived unit in terms of SI Base Units (kg, m, s etc): **newton**

You can find all the questions for September and October in the full physical workbook.

3. Describe the **similarities** and **differences** between transverse and longitudinal waves giving examples of each.

2nd September

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1. Calculate the length of the **hypotenuse** of a triangle with an angle θ of 72° and an opposite side length of 5.4 cm.



2. Write the following derived unit in terms of SI Base Units: **joule**

3. Describe the **similarities** and **differences** between mechanical and electromagnetic waves giving examples of each.

1. Calculate the length of the **adjacent** side of a triangle with an angle θ of 80° and a hypotenuse length of 0.40 m.



2. Write the following derived unit in terms of SI Base Units: **volt**

3. State **Hooke's Law** and describe how it could be investigated in the lab.

4th September

1. Calculate the length of the **opposite** side of a right-angled triangle if the hypotenuse is 380 mm and the adjacent side is 70 mm. Draw a diagram to help.

2. Write the following derived unit in terms of SI Base Units: **pascal**

3. Determine θ if $A = 58^\circ$.



5th September

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1. Calculate the **diagonal** length of a square with a side length of 7.00 cm.

2. Write the following derived unit in terms of SI Base Units: **tesla**

3. Calculate θ if $A = 23^\circ$.



6th September

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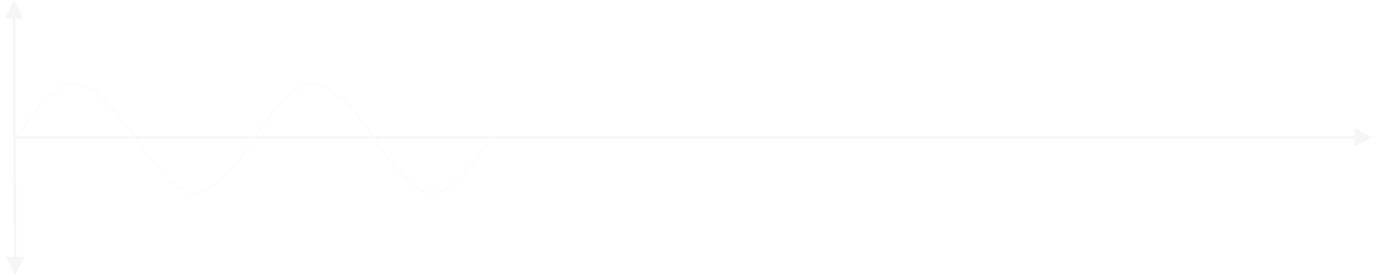
1. Calculate, **without** using a calculator:
 - a. 3.0×10^4 multiplied by 3.0×10^7
 - b. 4.0×10^5 multiplied by 2.0×10^7
 - c. 3.0×10^2 multiplied by 3.0×10^{-7}
 - d. 3.0×10^4 multiplied by 4.0×10^{-6}
2. Define what is meant by a **vector** and list six vector quantities.

3. Calculate θ if $A = 24^\circ$.



7th September

1. Sketch a **sinusoidal** curve on the axis below.

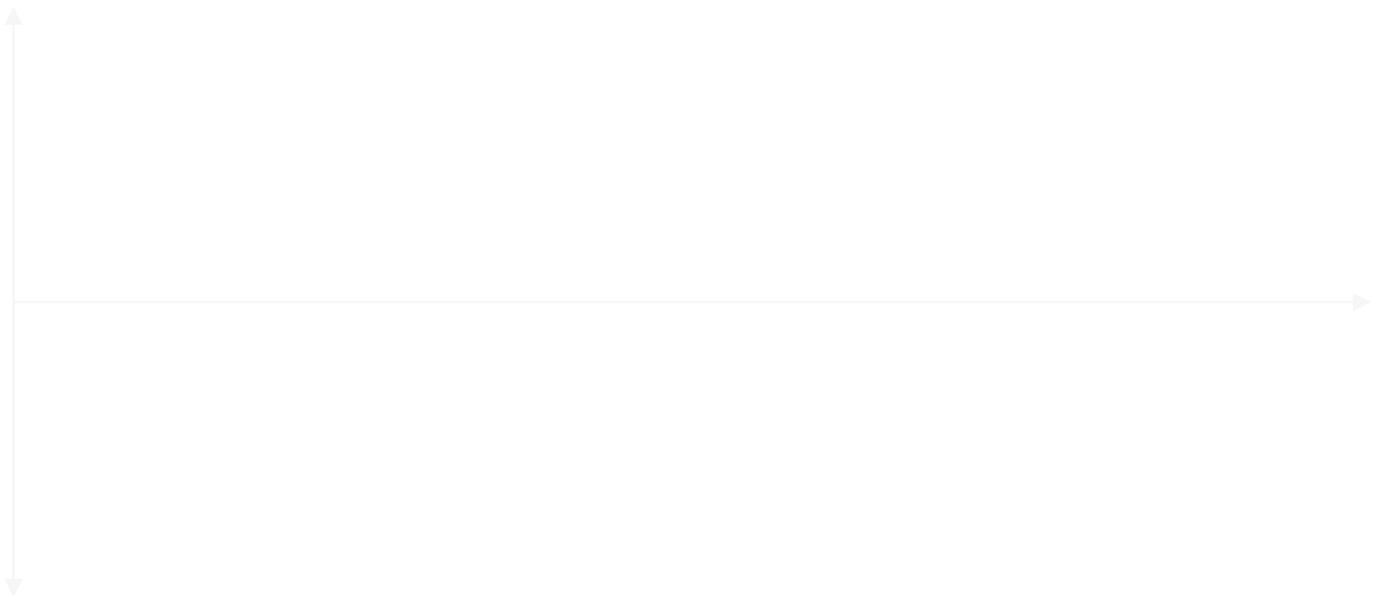


2. Define the **work done** on an object.

3. Calculate θ if $A = 19.2^\circ$.



1. Calculate the **wavelength** of a wave that is travelling at 520 m s^{-1} and has a time period of 13.0 s .
2. **Sketch** the graph of $y = -2x + 11$.
3. Draw a sinusoidal wave on a **displacement-distance** graph with a wavelength of 5.0 cm and amplitude 20 mm . Label the wavelength and amplitude on your diagram.



1. State Newton's three laws of motion (from memory if you can).

- 1st Law

- 2nd Law

- 3rd Law

2. Form expressions for sides P and L in terms of θ and W .



10th September

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1. Solve $\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}$ for x .

2. Find out what these numbers **represent**:

a. 9.11×10^{-31} kg

b. 8.85×10^{-12} F m⁻¹

c. 1.661×10^{-27} kg

d. 1.60×10^{-19} C

e. 6.63×10^{-34} J s

f. 1.60×10^{-19} J

3. Calculate the **magnitude** of P and L if $\theta = 29.3^\circ$ and $W = 105$.



11th September

1. Solve $\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{60}$ for x .

2. Identify what the **area** underneath the following graphs represents:

a. A force-extension graph

b. A velocity-time graph

c. A force-time graph

3. Form expressions for the **parallel** and **perpendicular** components (relative to the slope) of the block's weight, W , in terms of θ .



12th September

1. Solve $\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{45} + \frac{1}{25} + \frac{1}{15}$ for x .

2. Identify the following electrical **components**:



3. Calculate the **parallel** and **perpendicular** components of the weight of the block if it has a weight of 10.0 N and the slope is at an angle of 29.0° to the bench.



13th September

1. Combine into one fraction and rearrange $\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{A} + \frac{1}{B}$ to make x the subject.
2. Calculate the **area** under the graph of $y = 3x + 3$ between $x = 0$ and $x = 3$. Sketching the graph may help.
3. Calculate the **parallel** and **perpendicular** components of the block's weight if $m = 71.0$ kg and $\theta = 38^\circ$.



1. Write down a definition for an **ohmic conductor**.

2. Complete the **tip-to-tail** vector diagrams by drawing in the resultant vector and working out the magnitude and direction of the resultant force.

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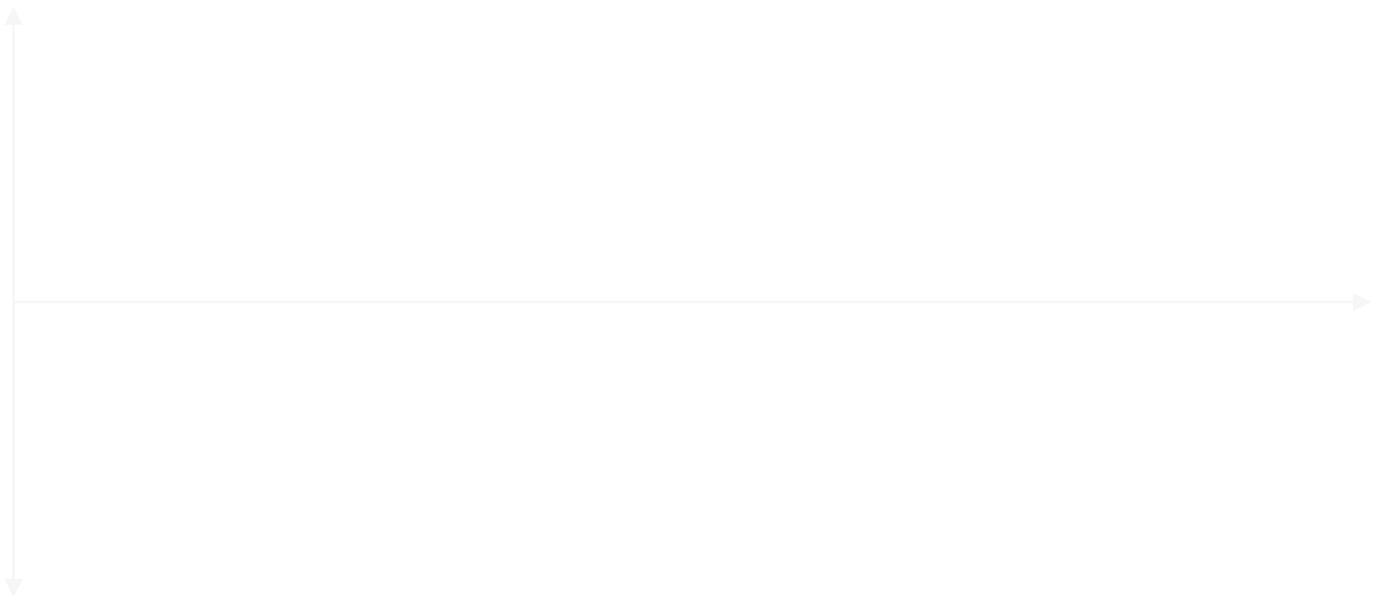
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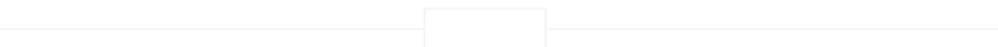
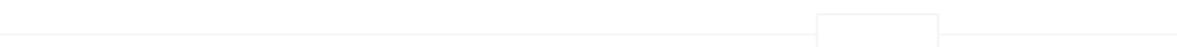
c.



3. Draw a sinusoidal wave on a **displacement-time** graph with a frequency of 50 Hz and amplitude 40 mm. Label the time period and amplitude on your diagram.



1. Complete the **circuit symbol** for:

- a. A thermistor 
- b. An LDR 
- c. A variable resistor 
- d. A fuse 
- e. A heater 

2. Complete the vector diagram by using the **parallelogram** method to draw in the resultant vector. Write in its magnitude (to 1 d.p.) and angle from the vertical.

a.



b.



3. Describe the difference between **scalars** and **vectors** and give six examples of each.

1. Complete the **circuit symbol** for:

a. An ammeter



b. A voltmeter



c. A galvanometer



d. A motor



e. An LED



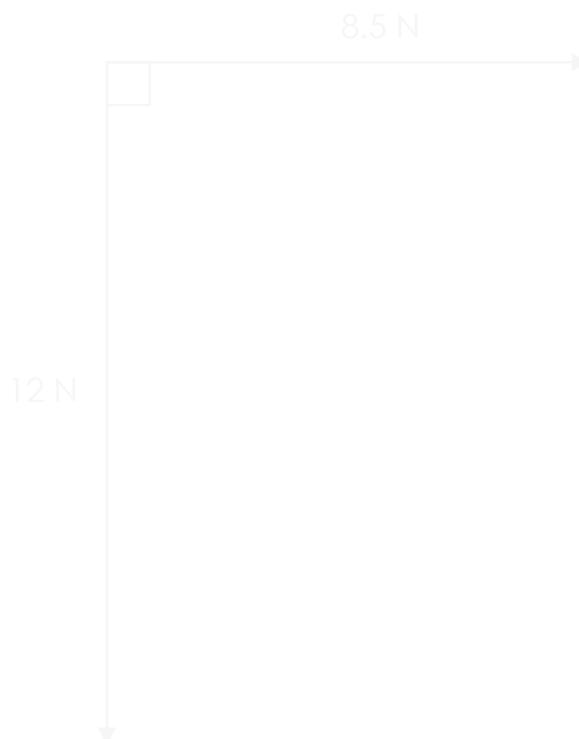
2. Discuss the **energy changes** in a ball that is dropped and then bounces.

3. Calculate, using a **graphical** method, the size and angle to the vertical of the resultant force produced by these two perpendicular forces:

a.



b.



19th September

1. List ten **types** of force.

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2. Explain why it is better to use a **monochromatic** light source when studying refraction.

3. Calculate the size and direction of the resultant force, using a **mathematical** method, produced by an upwards vertical force of 92 578 N and a horizontal force of 125 287 N to the left.

1. Rearrange the following to make V_p the subject:

a. $V_p / V_s = n_p / n_s$

b. $V_p I_p = V_s I_s$

2. The number of turns of a transformer is 300 on the primary coil and 100 on the secondary coil. The potential difference across the primary coil is 6.0 V.

Calculate the **potential difference** across the secondary coil and state the type of transformer used.

3. A 2.50 tonne Landrover is initially moving at 18 m s^{-1} . It takes 24.0 m to come to a complete stop.

Calculate the average **braking force** required and describe what happens to the kinetic energy of the car as it slows down.

22nd September

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1. Combine into one fraction and rearrange $1/R_T = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2$ to make R_T the subject.
2. Calculate the **total resistance** of a $13\ \Omega$ and $18\ \Omega$ resistor if connected in:
 - a. Series
 - a. Parallel
3. Two cars have masses $m_1 = 1500\ \text{kg}$ and $m_2 = 2000\ \text{kg}$. They travel in opposite directions at $1.0\ \text{m s}^{-1}$ and $6.0\ \text{m s}^{-1}$ respectively. They collide and move off together.
Calculate the **final velocity** of the two cars after they crash.

- Write down the **units** for:
 - Acceleration
 - Density
 - Spring constant
 - Moment
- By taking the minimum radio wave frequency as 1.0 Hz and the maximum gamma ray frequency as 1.0×10^{20} Hz, calculate the **ratio** between the range of visible light frequencies and the whole EM spectrum.
- A 10Ω resistor is connected to a 6.0 V battery.
Describe the **effect** (including **values**) that adding another 20Ω resistor in **parallel** has on:

- The total resistance

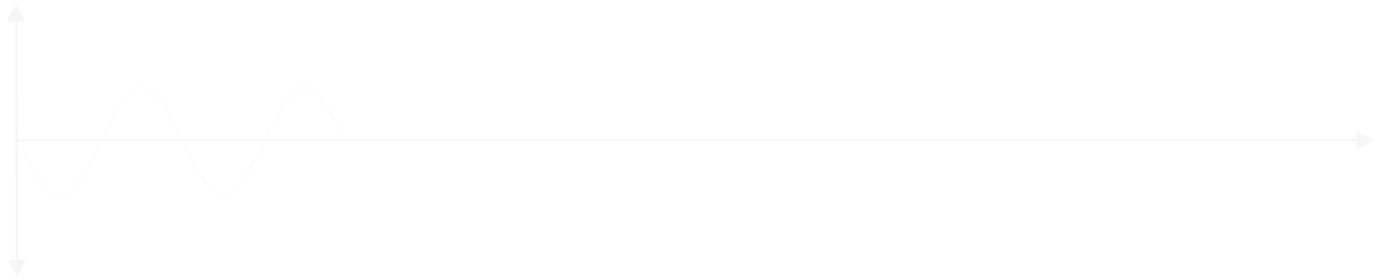


- The total current

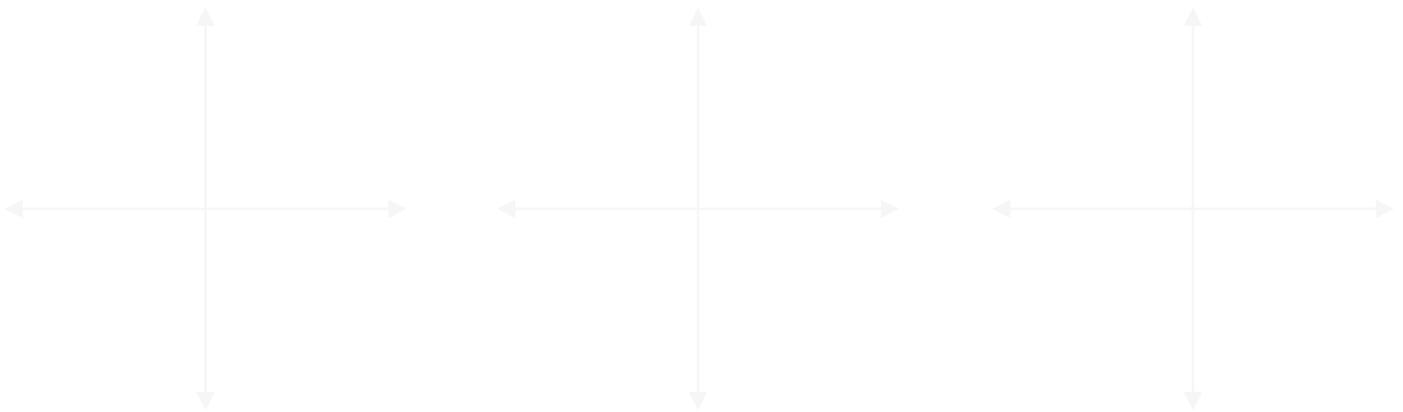


- The potential difference across each component

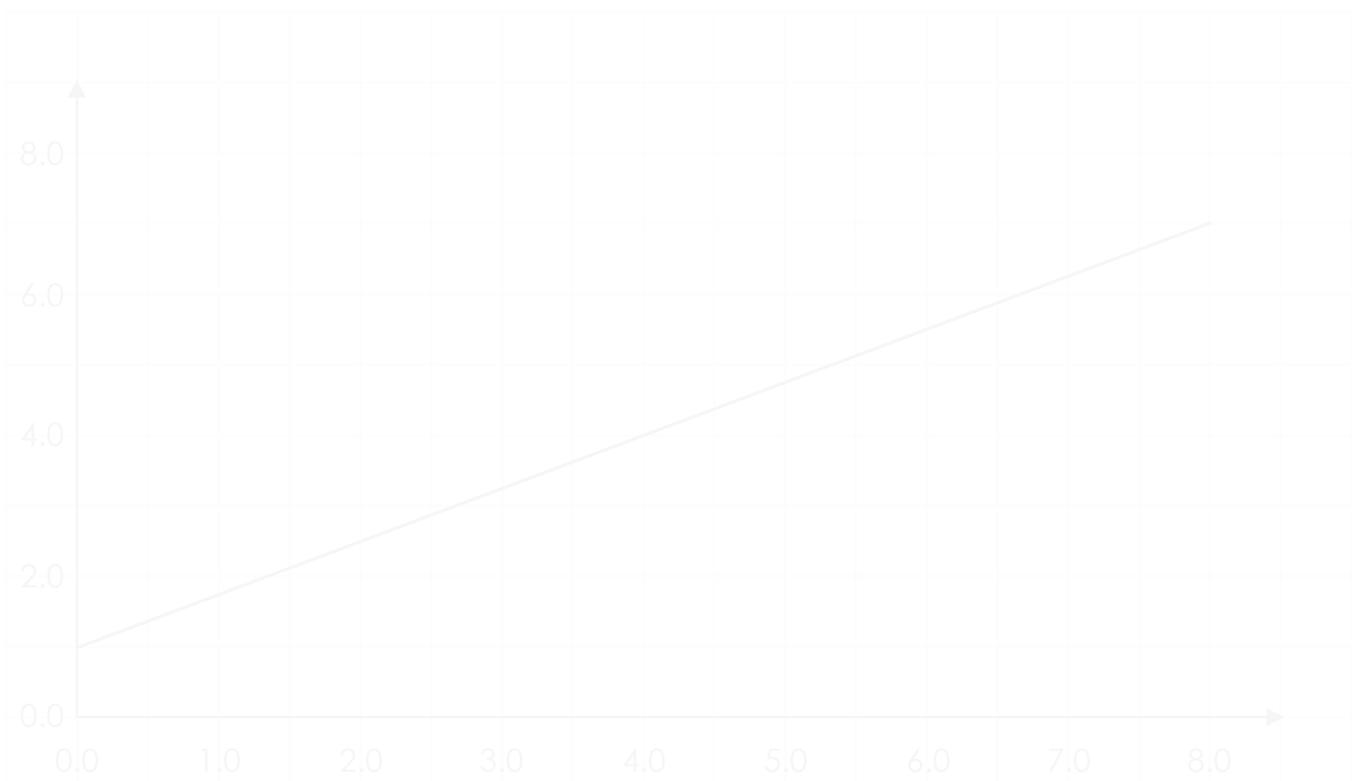
1. Sketch a **sinusoidal** curve on the axis below.



2. Sketch the **IV graph** for a filament lamp, ohmic resistor and diode.

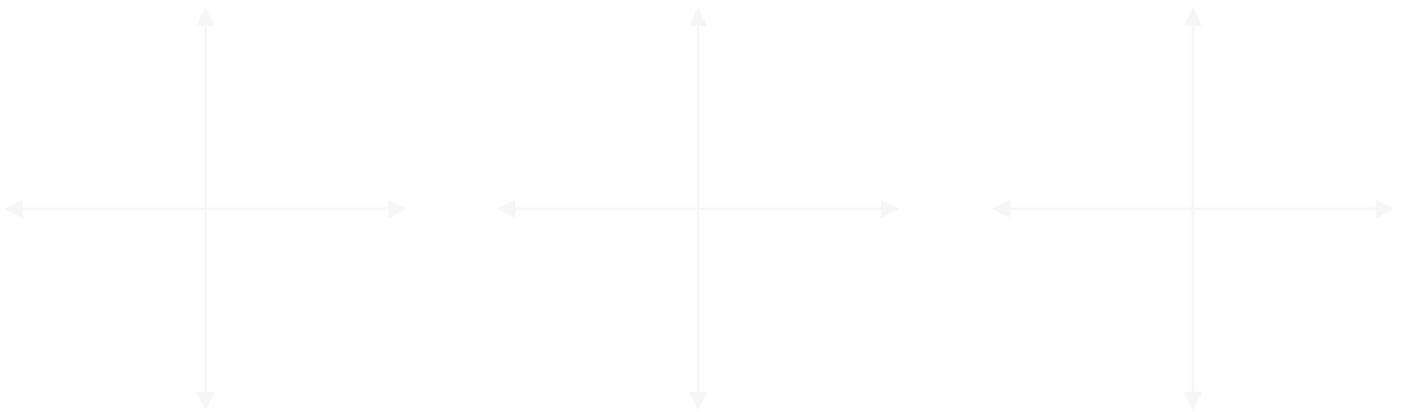


3. Calculate the **gradient** of the following line.

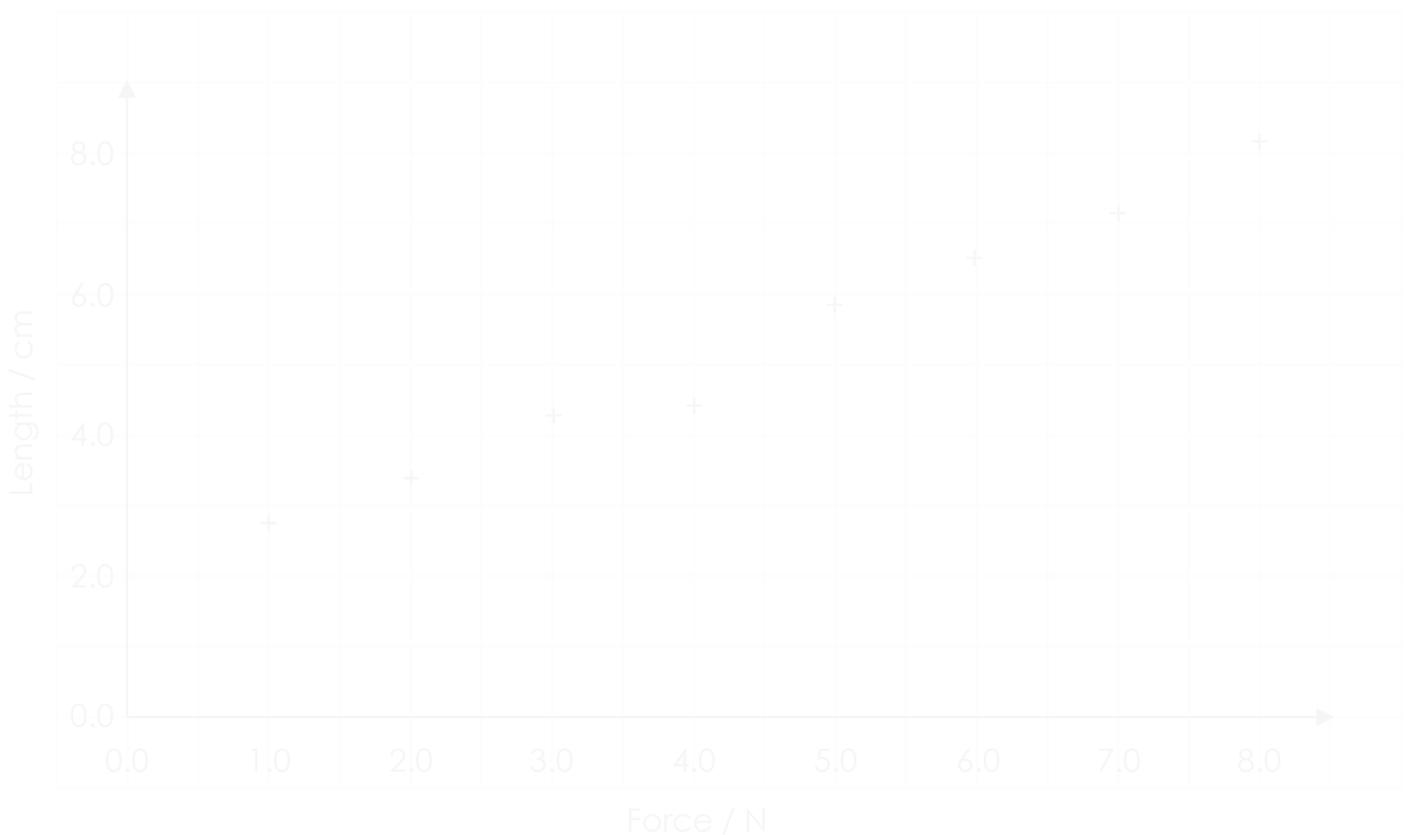


1. Calculate the gradient and hence the **equation** of the straight-line graph that goes through the points (5, 2) and (9, 1).

2. Sketch the **IV graph** for three different resistors of increasing resistance.

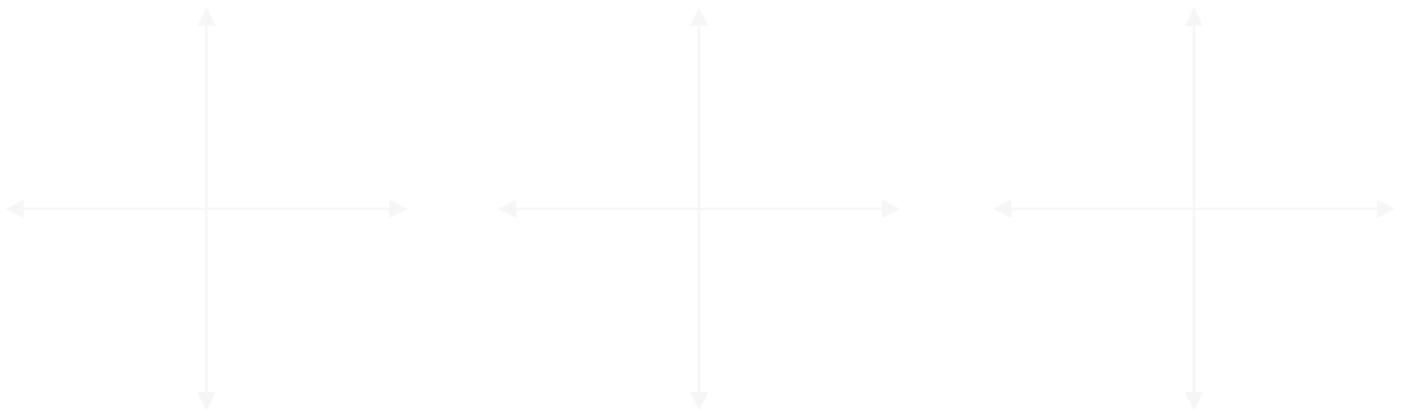


3. Calculate the **gradient** of the following data, giving an appropriate unit.



1. Calculate the **equation** of the straight-line graph that goes through the point (0, 4) and has a gradient of -0.1.

2. Sketch the **IV graph** of a metal wire at a constant temperature, a red LED and a blue LED.



3. Calculate the **gradient** of the following data, giving an appropriate unit.



SEPTEMBER REVIEW

You know the score – reflect on the start of your A Levels.

A Level Physics Content	Red	Amber	Green
I can express some derived units in their base units .			
I can recall electrical circuit symbols .			
I can calculate the equation for a straight line .			
I can apply the equation for resistors in parallel .			
I can add vectors using scale drawing .			
I can add vectors using mathematical methods.			
Any other comments:			

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Managing your workload at A Level is very different from GCSE. You will have a lot more study time outside of lessons, therefore you will need to plan and organise how you best spend this time learning effectively.

Keep up the effort made so far. You should feel your confidence building and skills developing as you complete more of these daily workout questions.



1st October

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1. Calculate the **diameter**, in m, of a:
 - a. Circle with an area of 1.0 m^2
 - b. Sphere with a surface area of 1.0 m^2
 - c. Sphere with a volume of 1.0 m^3

2. Read the **quantity** measured in the following diagrams of vernier scales.



3. Calculate the **current** if 1.0×10^{22} moles of electrons pass a point in 1.0 hour.

2nd October

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1. Write down the **mass** in kg, to 4 sf, of:

- a. An electron
- b. A proton
- c. A neutron
- d. An alpha particle

2. Read the **quantity** measured in the following diagrams.



3. Describe the differences between two waves propagated on two strings with the same wavelength and amplitude but one is **stationary** (also called a standing wave) and the other is **progressive**.

3rd October

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1. Rearrange the following to make **d** the subject:

a. $E = V / d$

b. $A = \pi d^2 / 4$

c. $n\lambda = d \sin \theta$

2. Read the **quantity** measured in the following diagrams.



3. Calculate the **refractive index** of a material if light travels at $2.6 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ through it.

4th October

1. Rearrange the following to make **M** the subject:

a. $V_g = -GM / r$

b. $g = -GM / r^2$

c. $F = -GMm / r^2$

2. Read the **quantity** measured in the following diagrams.



3. An artillery gun of mass 1860 kg is initially at rest. It fires a shell of mass 14.9 kg with a muzzle velocity of 708 m s⁻¹. Calculate the **recoil velocity** of the gun.

5th October

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1. Write the following distances in **standard form** to **3 significant figures** – and find out what they represent.

a. 149 597 871 000 m

b. 30 856 775 800 000 000 m

c. 9 460 730 473 000 000 m

2. Read the **quantity** measured in the following diagrams.



3. Explain why **electricity** is transmitted at very high AC voltages in overhead cables across the country.

- Write the following quantities in **standard form** to **3 significant figures** – and find out what they represent.
 - 6 378 100 m
 - 5 972 200 000 000 000 000 000 000 kg
 - 1 988 470 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 kg
- A ball bearing is released from a height of 1.62 m. Calculate how **long** it will take to reach the ground.
- The block is at **rest** on a slope. Calculate the size of the **friction** acting up the slope if the block's weight is 10 N and $\theta = 38^\circ$.



1. Calculate the **mean**, **mode** and **median** of the following set of numbers:

102, 103, 100, 99, 91, 111, 104, 102, 104, 104

2. A ball bearing is released from a height of 1.62 m. Calculate its **velocity** as it reaches the ground.

3. The block is **sliding** down the slope at a constant velocity. Calculate the size of the **friction** acting up the slope if the block's weight is 10 N and $\theta = 38^\circ$.



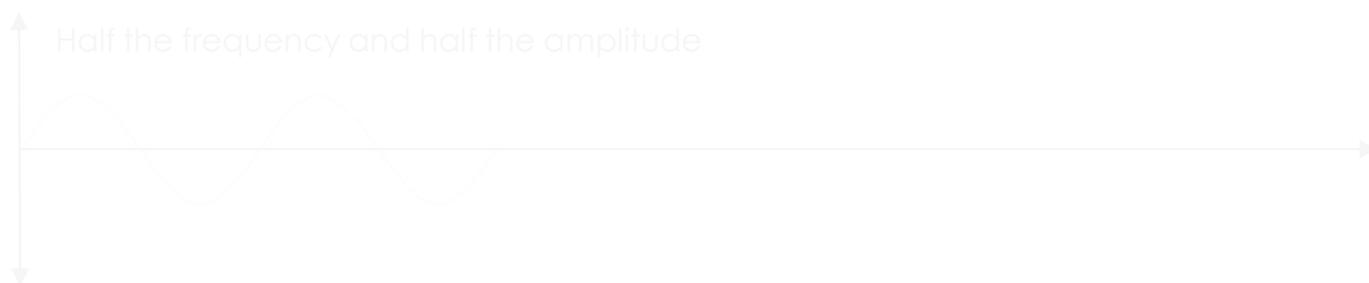
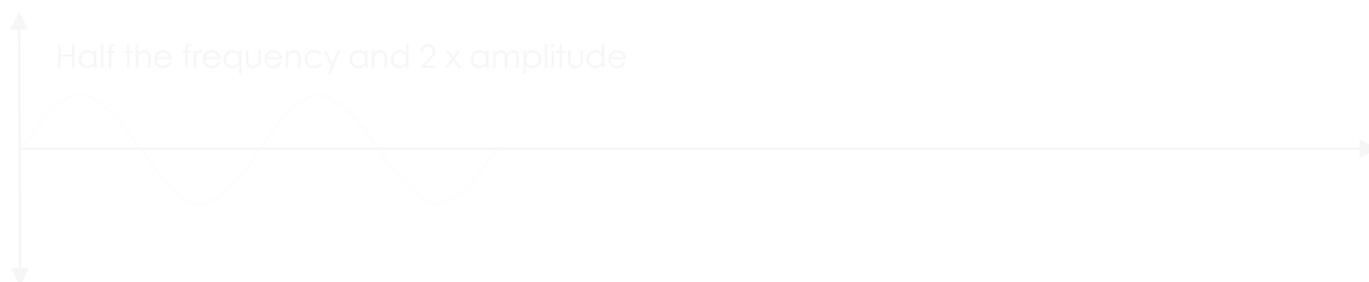
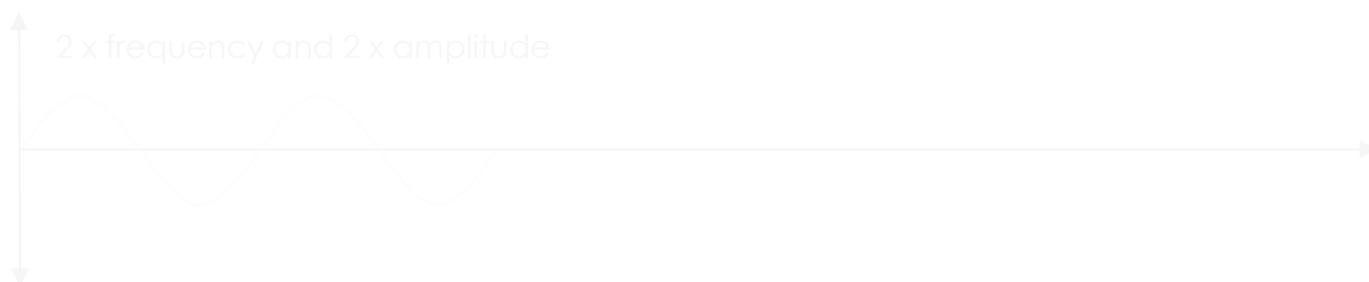
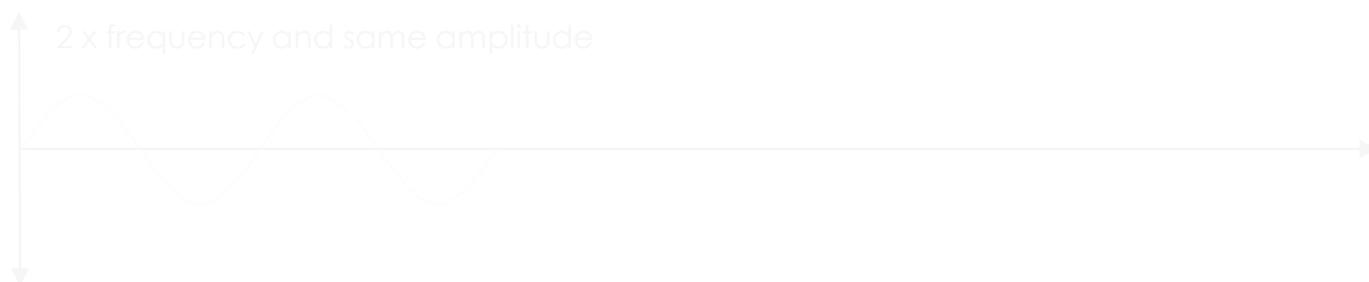
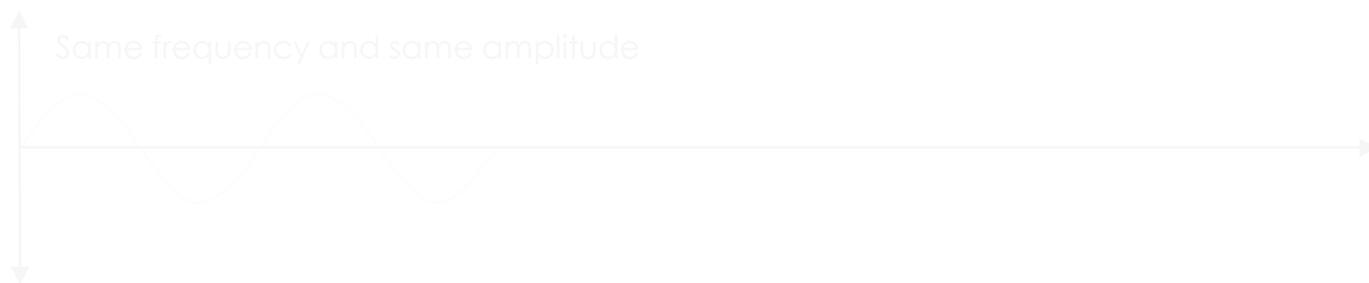
8th October (part 1)

1. Draw an appropriate **line of best fit** for the following graphs.



8th October (part 2)

2. Sketch a **sinusoidal** curve for the following graphs:



10th October

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1. Calculate the **volume**, in m^3 , of a sphere with a radius of:

a. $6.37 \times 10^3 \text{ km}$

b. $6.96 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$

c. 0.10 nm

d. 1.0 fm

2. Describe what is meant by **resolution**.

3. Draw a simple diagram of a **stationary/standing** wave and label the nodes and antinodes:

a. On a string



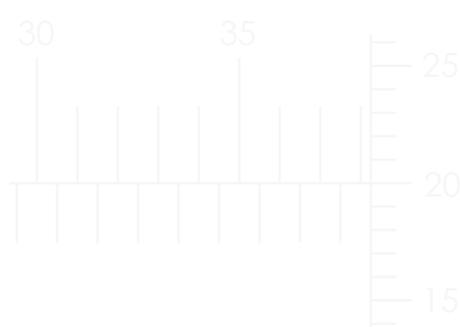
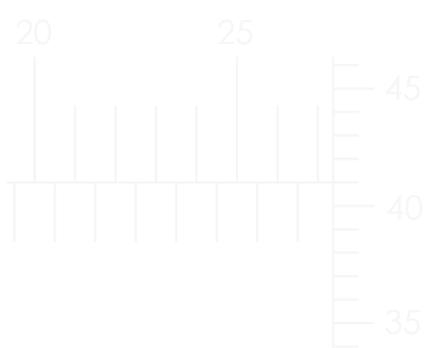
b. In a tube open at one end



1. Convert the following distances to **metres**:

- a. 3.14×10^4 mm
- b. 31.4×10^{-6} μ m
- c. 0.0314×10^6 km
- d. 31.4×10^{14} cm
- e. 3.14×10^{-3} mm

2. Read the **quantity** measured in the following diagrams for a screw gauge micrometer.

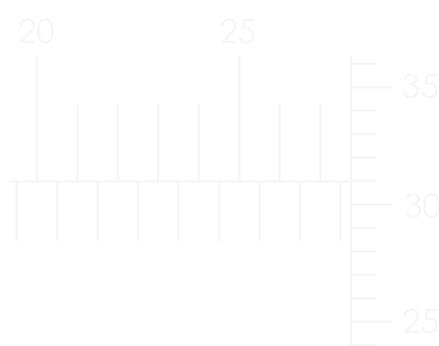
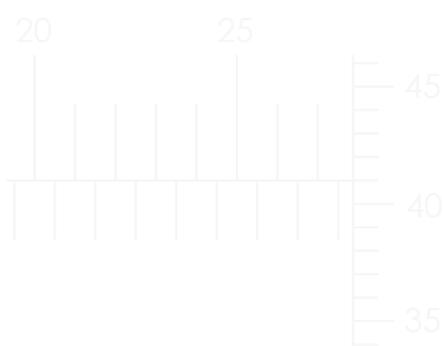


3. When reading any scale in experimental physics, describe what can be done to minimise **parallax error**. Include a description of what parallax error is.

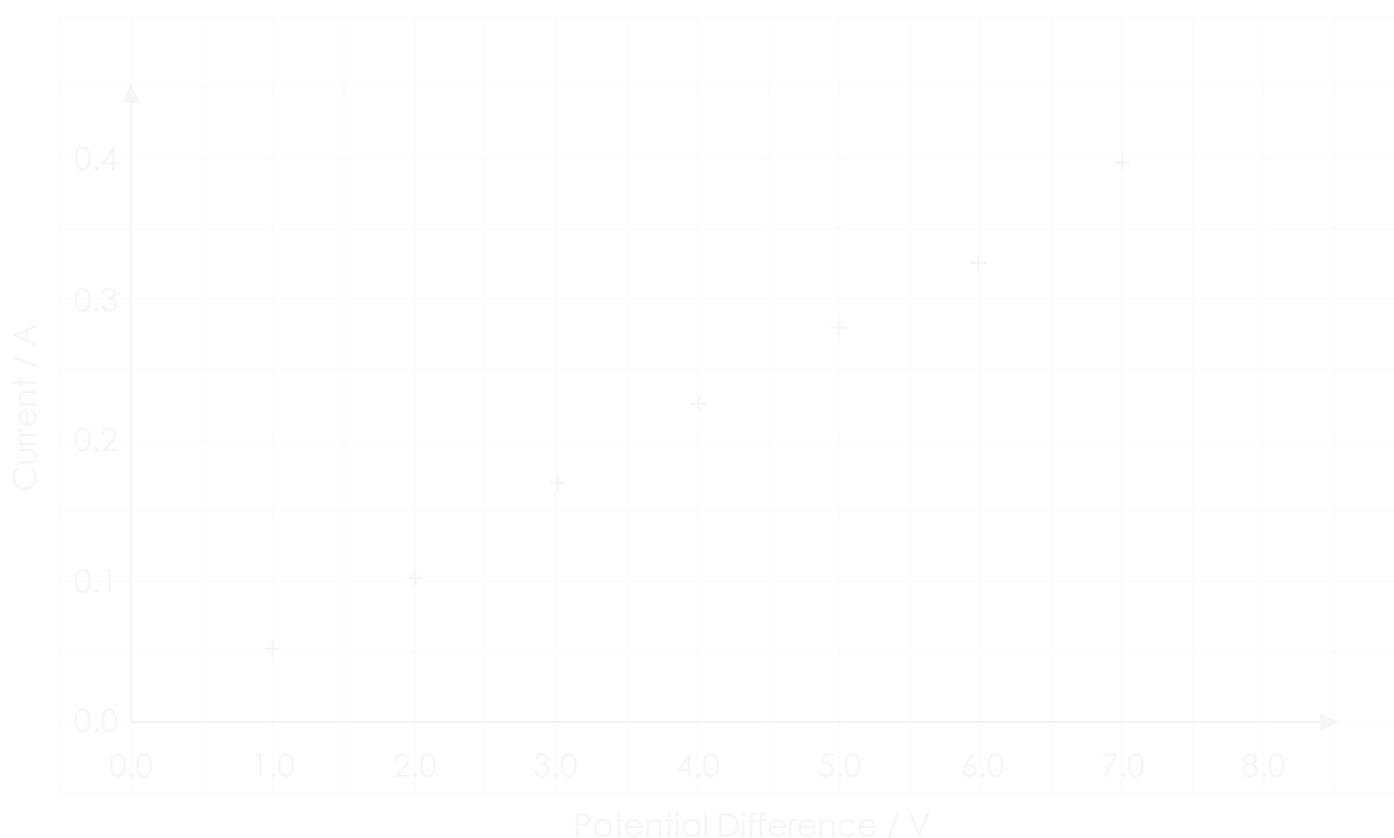
1. Convert the following distances to **metres**:

- a. 3.14×10^{-4} nm
- b. 314×10^{-6} pm
- c. 0.0314×10^4 km
- d. 31.4×10^{14} fm
- e. 3140×10^{-8} Mm

2. Read the **quantity** measured in the following diagrams.

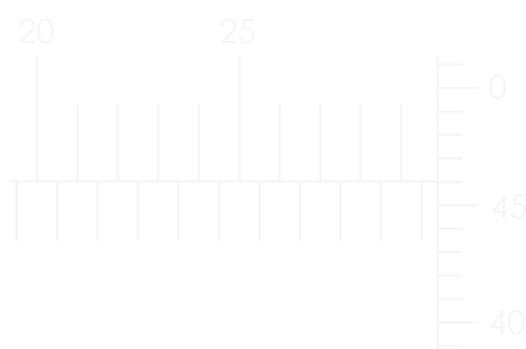
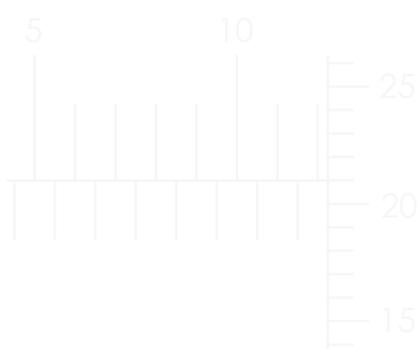


3. Calculate the **gradient** of the following data, giving an appropriate unit.

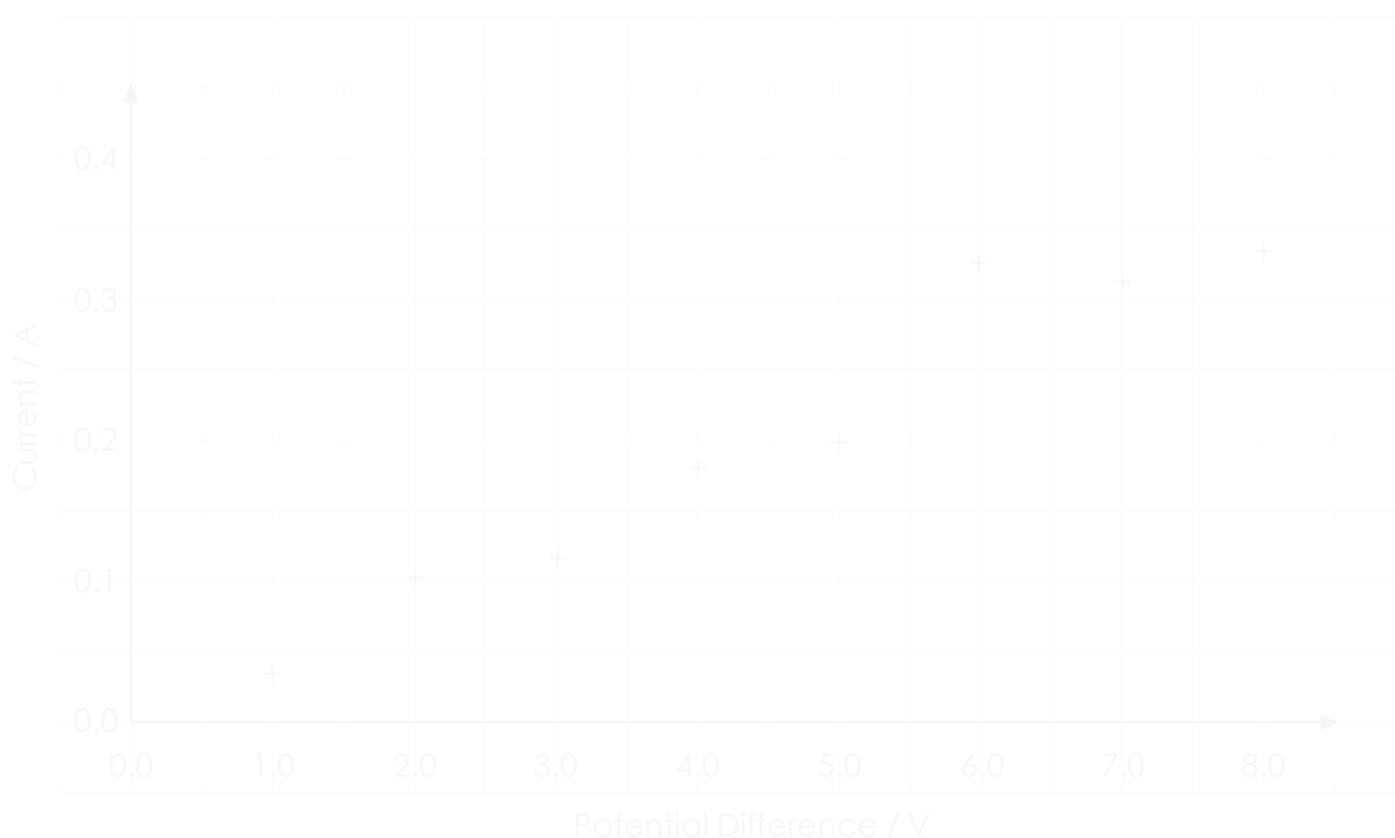


1. Calculate the length of the hypotenuse of a right-angled triangle if the opposite side to an angle of 28° is 3.6 cm.

2. Read the **quantity** measured in the following diagrams.

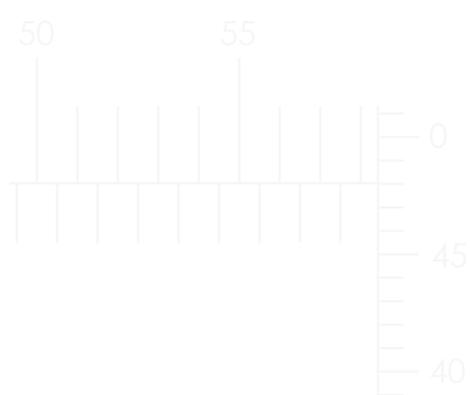
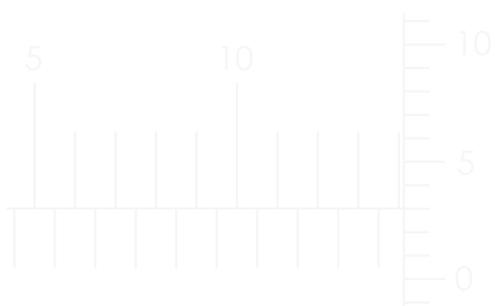


3. Calculate the **gradient** of the following data, giving an appropriate unit.



1. Calculate the length of the hypotenuse of a right-angled triangle if the adjacent side to an angle of 18° is 7.8 cm.

2. Read the **quantity** measured in the following diagrams.



3. Describe and explain how the **resistance** of a wire changes with temperature.

1. Calculate $\sin\theta$ and $\cos\theta$ for the following values of θ (to 2 d.p.).

- a. 23°
- b. 67°
- c. 34°
- d. 56°
- e. 45°

2. Read the **quantity** measured in the following diagrams.



3. Sketch the **standing** wave formed on a string fixed at both ends:

a. First harmonic



b. Second harmonic



c. Third harmonic



d. Fourth harmonic



1. Write the following numbers in **standard form** to **3 significant figures**:

a. 3 600 s

b. 86 400 s

c. 31 556 557 s

2. State and explain the effect of **Kirchhoff's 1st law** (the current law).

3. A student takes the following repeated readings of potential difference at a certain current and resistance.

Calculate the **value** that should be quoted for the voltage, including the **absolute uncertainty** in this measured value.

Voltage / V
9.22
9.83
9.25
9.17
9.20
9.16

1. Convert the following volumes into m^3 :

- a. 1.0 cm^3
- b. 1.0 mm^3
- c. 568 ml
- d. 22.4 ltr

2. State and explain the effect of **Kirchhoff's 2nd law** (the voltage law).

3. In an investigation to calculate the resistance of a wire, a student measures the voltage as $12.03 \pm 0.05 \text{ V}$ and the current as $0.25 \pm 0.01 \text{ A}$.

Calculate the value that should be given for the resistance, including the **percentage uncertainty**.

1. Convert the following distances into **m**:

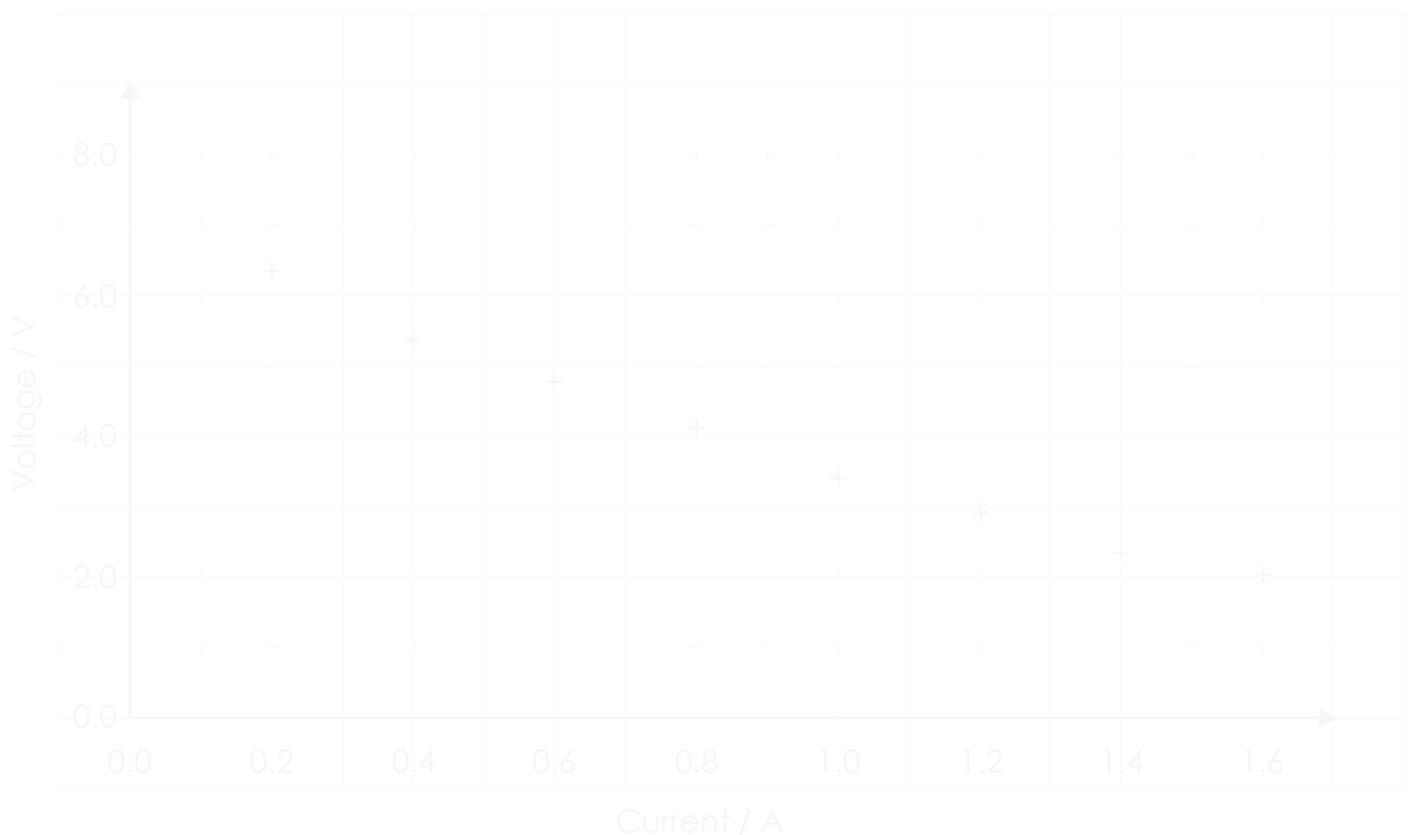
- a. 1.609 km
- b. 630 nm
- c. 0.833 femtometres
- d. A light-year

2. Rearrange $f = \frac{1}{2L} \sqrt{\frac{I}{\mu}}$ to make:

- a. **L** the subject
- b. **T** the subject
- c. **μ** the subject

3. State the laboratory equipment required to measure the **specific heat capacity** of water. Include a circuit diagram and how significant sources of error can be minimised.

1. Calculate the **angle of refraction** of a wave that crosses from air into a transparent material, with a refractive index of 1.3, at an angle of incidence of 24° .
2. Calculate the **moment** of a 24 N force acting at a perpendicular distance, to a pivot, of 30 cm.
3. Calculate the **gradient** and **intercept** of the following data, giving an appropriate unit.



23rd October - Part 1

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1. Draw a **tangent** and calculate the **gradient** at:

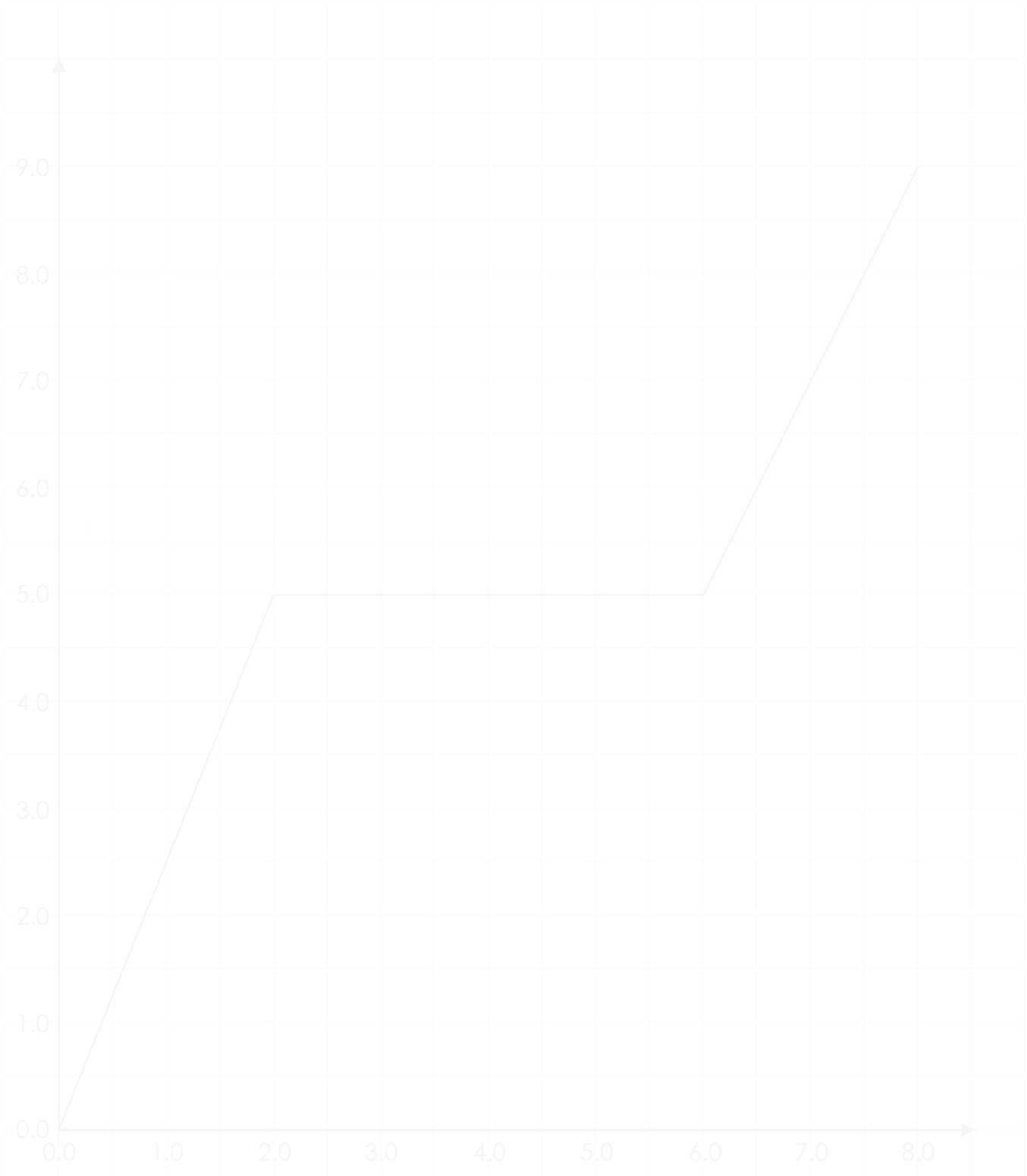
a. $x = 2.5$

b. $x = 5.0$



23rd October - Part 2

2. Calculate the **area** under the line between $x = 0$ and $x = 7.0$.



1. Describe what the area underneath a **force-time** graph represents.

2. In A Level Physics we class waves as either **progressive** or **stationary** (standing). Describe the main difference between the two.

3. A battery has an e.m.f of 9.0 V and an internal resistance of 0.50 Ω . The battery is in series with a bulb of resistance 10 Ω .

Calculate the **potential difference** across the terminals of the battery.



25th October - Part 1

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1. Calculate the **acceleration** at:

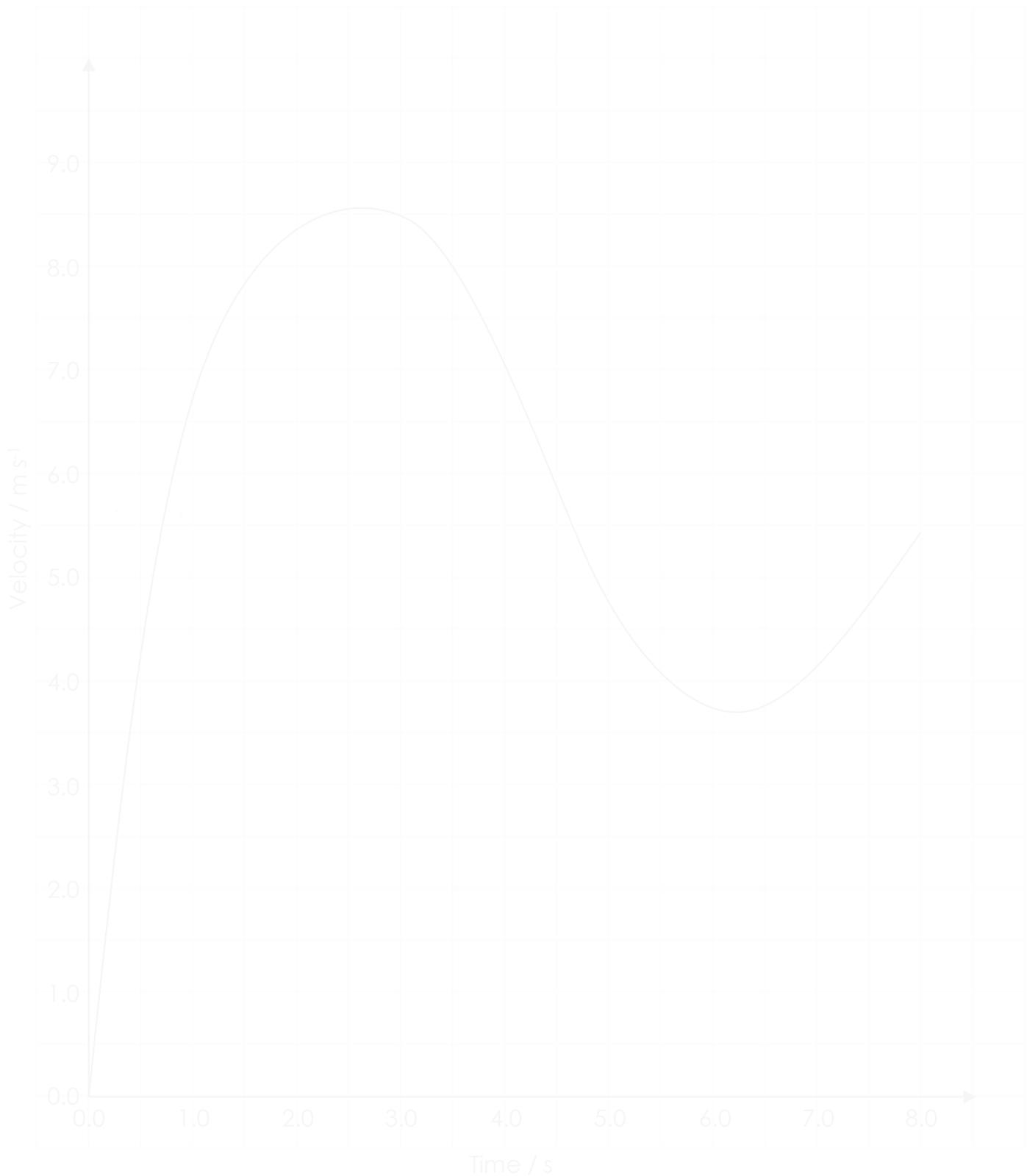
a. $t = 2.0 \text{ s}$

b. $t = 6.0 \text{ s}$



25th October - Part 2

2. Estimate the **displacement** between $t = 0.0$ and $t = 2.5$ s.



1. Calculate **tan** θ for the following values of θ (to 2 d.p.).
 - a. 0°
 - b. 30°
 - c. 45°
 - d. 60°
 - e. 90°
2. Describe what is meant by the terms '**path difference**' and '**phase difference**' for waves.

3. Calculate the **refractive index** of the semi-circular block.



27th October

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- Convert the following angles from degrees to **radians**. Give your answer to 2 d.p.
 - 0°
 - 30°
 - 45°
 - 60°
 - 90°
- Describe how you could find the **centre of mass** of a **regular 2D shape**.
- Work out the **time of flight** for a javelin thrown with a vertical component of velocity of 20 m s^{-1} . Ignore air resistance.

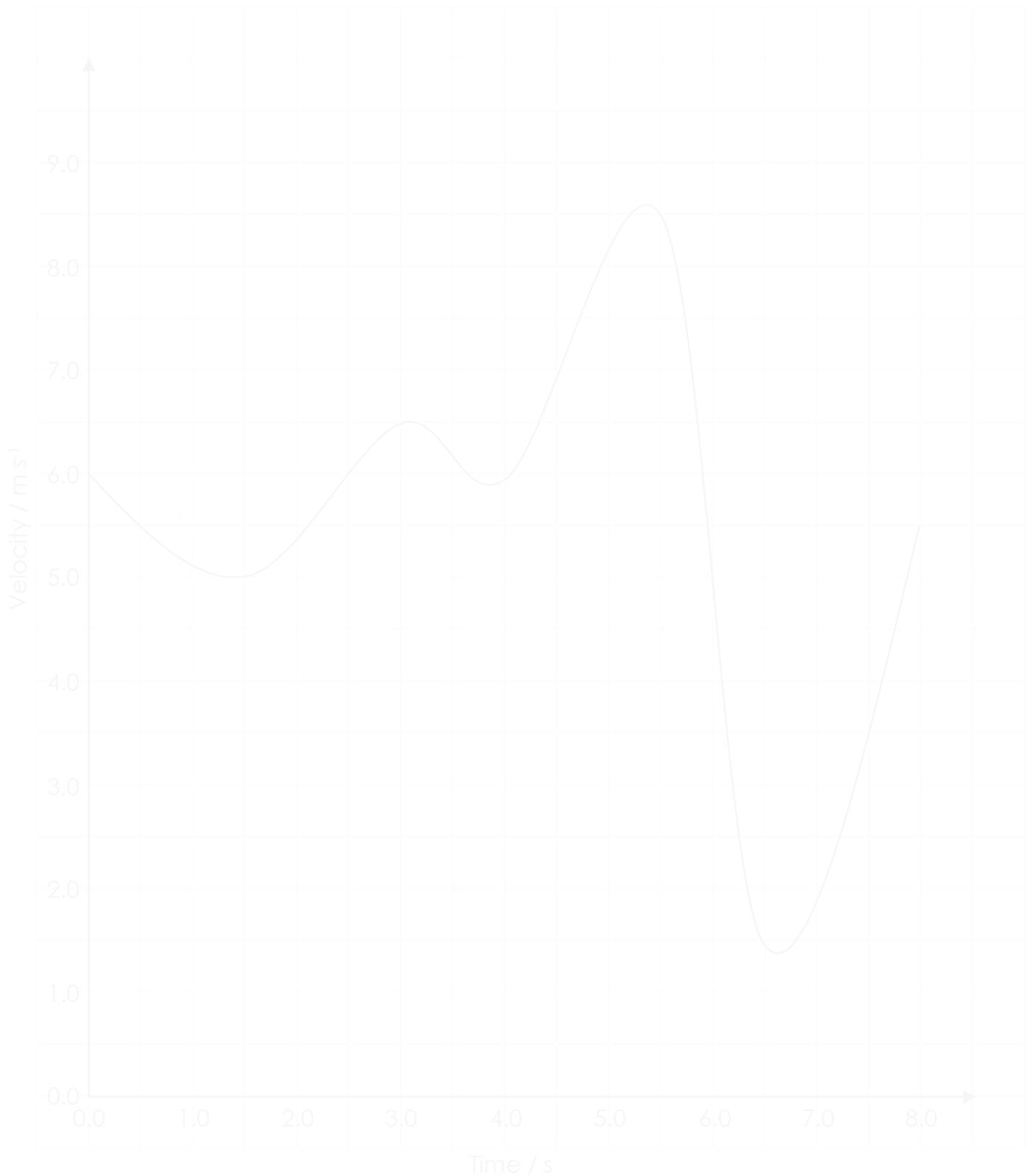
- Convert the following angles from degrees to **radians**. Give your answer to 2 d.p.
 - 5°
 - 57°
 - 82°
 - 172°
 - 326°
- Describe a **practical investigation** you could carry out in order to find the **centre of mass** of an **irregular 2D shape**.

- Three resistors, of resistances $10\ \Omega$, $20\ \Omega$ and $30\ \Omega$, are connected in a circuit. Two are connected in series and one is in parallel.

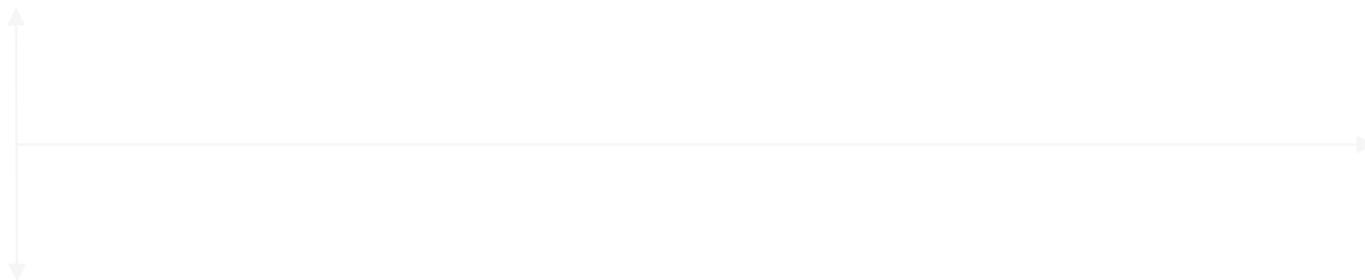
Calculate the **greatest** resistance and the **least** resistance possible.



1. Estimate the **displacement** during the first 8.0 s.



1. Draw a beautiful freehand **sine** curve.



2. The efficiency of a hairdryer is 87%. It is connected to a 230 V supply and draws a current of 1.0 A.

Calculate the **output power** of the hairdryer.

3. A cell of e.m.f 12.0 V is in series with an LDR of resistance 13.2Ω and a variable resistor set to 18.7Ω .

Draw a circuit diagram and calculate the **potential difference** across the LDR. Assume the cell has negligible internal resistance.

31st October

1 2 3

1. A 0.200 m^3 block of copper is extruded into a wire of diameter 0.90 mm . Calculate how **long** it is.
2. The efficiency of a bouncy ball is 0.58 . It is dropped from a height of 1.00 m . Calculate the **height** the ball reaches after 7 bounces.
3. Define **critical angle** and calculate the critical angle for a glass block with $n = 1.4$.

OCTOBER REVIEW

Well done! Have a look through this workbook to see how many questions you have now completed – it's a LOT of work.

This is a great start to your A Level Physics and a solid foundation on which the rest of the course is built.

Now onto Book 2...

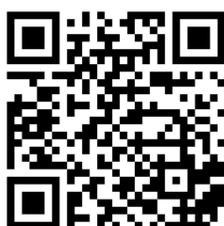
A Level Physics Content	Red	Amber	Green
I can read a vernier scale.			
I can calculate refractive index .			
I can resolve forces perpendicular and parallel to a slope .			
I can sketch a standing wave .			
I can calculate a gradient with an appropriate unit.			
I can estimate the area under a graph and identify what this represents.			
Any other comments:			

ANSWERS

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Check your work with the short answers in the back of this book.

To find full worked solutions and video support head over to:



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1st July

- 53.1°
- $E_k \propto m$
- $E_k = 540\,000\text{ J}$ $p = 36\,000\text{ kg m s}^{-1}$

2nd July

- 3.7 m
- $F \propto a$
- Magnitude and direction.
Velocity, force and weight.

3rd July

- The sum of the squares of the two side lengths of a right-angled triangle is equal to the square of the hypotenuse: $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$
- $f \propto 1/T$
- 127 Hz

4th July

- 5.2 cm
- $a \propto 1/m$
- 2.5 A

5th July

- 7.1 cm
- $p \propto v$
- Central dense nucleus containing positively charged protons and neutral neutrons. This is where most of the mass is. Orbiting the nucleus are negatively charged electrons in shells.

6th July

- 13 m
- $E_k \propto v^2$
- Electric current is the flow of negatively charged electrons. Conventional current is from the positive terminal to the negative terminal in a DC circuit.

7th July

- 8.99×10^9
 - 2.9979×10^8
 - 9.6485×10^4
- 0.707
 - 0.707
 - 0.707
 - 0.707
- 960 m

8th July

- 2.898×10^{-3}
 - 9.1094×10^{-31}
 - 5.670×10^{-8}
- 0.500
 - 0.500
 - 0.866
 - 0.866
- $3.0 \times 10^8\text{ m s}^{-1}$

9th July

- $-1.60 \times 10^{-19}\text{ C}$
 - 0 C
 - $+1.60 \times 10^{-19}\text{ C}$
- $u = v - at$
- 0.667 m s^{-2}

10th July

- 8.0×10^{11}
 - 8.0×10^{11}
 - 9.0×10^{11}
 - 1.2×10^{12}
- $u = \sqrt{v^2 - 2as}$
- 180 m s⁻¹

11th July

- 2.0×10^{-3}
 - 5.0×10^{-4}
 - 0.50
 - 5.0×10^2

11th July - continued

- $d = V / E$
 - $d = n\lambda / \sin\theta$
 - $d = \sqrt{(4A / \pi)}$
- -0.23 m s^{-2}

12th July

- 6.0×10^4
 - 2.4×10^5
 - 4.2×10^5
 - 4.8×10^5
- $Q = p / Br$
 - $Q = W / V$
 - $Q = F / Bv$
- 71.4 m

13th July

- -2.0×10^4
 - 1.6×10^5
 - -3.8×10^5
 - -3.2×10^5
- If the resultant force acting on an object is zero and the object is:
 - stationary, the object remains stationary
 - moving, the object continues to move at the same velocity

A bird flying at 30 m s^{-1} in a straight line must have no resultant force acting on it.
- About 6.6 N and 107°

14th July

- Mean = 5

Mode = 3

Median = 3

14th July - continued

2. The resultant force on an object is proportional to the rate of change of momentum.
- Double the force and you get double the acceleration.
3. About 5.8 N

15th July

1. Mean = 45.1
Mode = 45
Median = 45
2. The force of object A on object B is equal in magnitude, opposite in direction and of the same type as the force of object B on object A.
- The Earth pulls on you with a force due to gravity. You pull on the Earth with the exact same sized force in the opposite direction.
3. About 10.0 N

16th July

1. a. 6.63×10^{-34}
b. 1.66×10^{-27}
c. 8.85×10^{-12}
2. Driving force = drag
Normal contact force = weight
No resultant force.
3. 10 N at 37° from vertical

17th July

1. a. 1.67×10^{-27}
b. 1.67×10^{-27}
c. 1.38×10^{-23}
d. 6.67×10^{-11}
2. a $m = 4, Q = +2, \text{ high}$
 β $m = 1/1830, Q = -1, \text{ medium}$
 γ $m = 0, Q = 0, \text{ low}$
3. About 72 N at 56° from vertical

18th July

1. a. 1.6×10^3
b. 1.6×10^3
c. 1.57×10^3
d. 1.6×10^3
2. 15 m s^{-1}
3. 1030 N

19th July

1. a. 80
b. 0.602
c. 80.0
d. 1500
2. O = 350 N
A = 430 N
3. a. Proton - 2 Mass - 4
b. Proton +1 Mass 0
c. Proton 0 Mass 0

20th July

1. a. 76
b. 76
c. 7.7×10^3
d. 7.660×10^3
2. $F_H = 87 \text{ N}$
 $F_V = 50 \text{ N}$
3. 1.3 m s^{-1}

21st July

1. a. $x = -5$
b. $x > 2$
c. $x < 2$
d. $x = \pm 2$
2. $F_H = 7.81 \text{ kN}$
 $F_V = 22.7 \text{ kN}$
3. 136 m

22nd July

1. One joule of work is done when a force of one newton causes a displacement of one metre.
2. Total displacement
3. 0.60 J s^{-1} (W)

23rd July

1. The frequency of a wave is the number of waves passing a point each second.
2. 9
3. 1800 Ω

24th July

1. Nuclear fission is the splitting of a large and unstable nucleus while nuclear fusion is the joining of two light nuclei to form a heavier nucleus.
2. 16
3. 1100 Hz

25th July

1. a. $m = 2$ $c = 3$
b. $m = 3$ $c = 2$
c. $m = 6$ $c = 3$
d. $m = 3$ $c = 6$
2. a. $B = F / l \sin \theta$
b. $l = F / B l \sin \theta$
c. $L = F / B l \sin \theta$
d. $\theta = \sin^{-1}(F / B l l)$
3. Fe-56 26p 30n 26e
Fe-54 26p 28n 26e
Co-59 27p 32n 27e
Ni-60 28p 32n 28e

26th July

1. a. $m = 3$ $c = 5$
b. $m = 2$ $c = 1$
c. $m = 1$ $c = 3$
d. $m = 0.5$ $c = 4$

26th July - continued

- $r = \sqrt{Gm / g}$
- 0.887 m s^{-2}

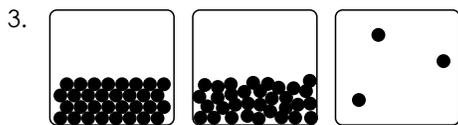
27th July

- $m = 2$ $c = 4$
 - $m = 0.125$ $c = 1.5$
 - $m = -1$ $c = 0$
 - $m = 2$ $c = -4$
- $m = -V_g r / G$

- 65°

28th July

- $m = 2$ $y = 2x$
- $p = mv$
 - $p = NkT / V$
 - $p = \sqrt{2mE_k}$

**29th July**

- $y = 3x - 1$
- $\sin \theta \approx \theta$
 $\cos \theta \approx 1$
 $\tan \theta \approx \theta$
- 30 m

30th July

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- The half-life of a radioactive isotope is the time it takes for the number of nuclei of the isotope in a sample to halve or the time it takes for the count-rate, or activity, from a sample containing the radioactive isotope to fall to half its initial level.
- -2.8 m s^{-2}

31st July

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- Resistance is defined as the ratio of the potential difference across a component to the current through it.
- $${}_{92}^{238}\text{U} \rightarrow {}_{90}^{234}\text{Th} + {}_2^4\text{He}$$

$${}_{90}^{234}\text{Th} \rightarrow {}_{91}^{234}\text{Pa} + {}_{-1}^0\beta$$

$${}_{91}^{234}\text{Pa} \rightarrow {}_{92}^{234}\text{U} + {}_{-1}^0\beta$$

1st August

- 13 m^2
 - 50 m^2
 - $5.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2$
 - $5.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2$
- About 8.9 kN at 80° from vertical
- kg, m, s, A, K, mol and cd

2nd August

- $7.9 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2$
 - $2.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2$
 - $7.9 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2$
 - $8.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$
- Gravitational constant
 - Permittivity of free space
 - Parsec (distance)
 - Planck's constant
 - Electronvolt (unit of energy)
 - Mass of an electron
- Find a worked solution on website

3rd August

- 0.020 m^2
 - 0.032 m^2
 - 0.0205 m^2
- About 6.1 kN at 53° from vertical
- $F_H = 9.65 \text{ N}$
 $F_V = 2.99 \text{ N}$

4th August

- 8.0 m^2
 - 2.0 m^2
 - 0.50 m^2
 - 0.13 m^2
- $9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
 - $6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$
 - $3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
 - $1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
 - 9.81 N kg^{-1}
 - 9.81 m s^{-2}
- 18.3° below horizontal

5th August

- 2.1 m^3
 - 0.27 m^3
 - 0.034 m^3
 - 0.0042 m^3
- $E_p \propto m$
- 19Ω

6th August

- 0.072 m^3 and 1.6 m^2
- They should be smooth curves.
- 32 m

7th August

- $2.3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$ $8.4 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^2$
 - $1.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$ $5.1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^2$
 - $1.1 \times 10^{21} \text{ m}^3$ $5.1 \times 10^{14} \text{ m}^2$
 - $1.41 \times 10^{27} \text{ m}^3$ $6.09 \times 10^{18} \text{ m}^2$
- $T = 1 / f$
 - $T = W / \theta$
 - $T = pV / nR$
 - $T = \sqrt[4]{(P / \sigma A)}$
- 10 m s^{-1}

8th August

- 1.1 m
 - 0.45 m
 - 0.011 m
 - 0.047 m
- $\omega = P / T$
 - $\omega = V_{\text{max}} / a$
 - $\omega = \sqrt{(F / mr)}$
 - $\omega = \sqrt{(2E_k / I)}$
- 125 Bq

9th August

- 7.2 m^3
 - $5.7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3$
 - $5.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3$
- $V = m / \rho$
 - $V = IR$
 - $V = NkT / p$
 - $V = \sqrt{(PR)}$
- 1100 kPa

10th August

- $y = x + 2$
- $v = P / F$
 - $v = F / BQ$
 - $v = \sqrt{(Fr / m)}$
 - $v = \Delta fc / f$

10th August - continued

- 4.91 m s^{-2}

11th August

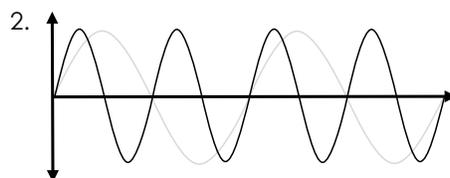
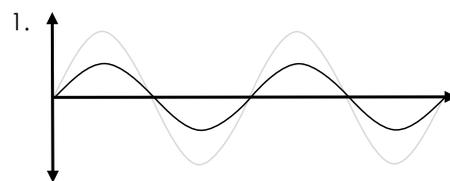
- $m = 3$ $y = 3x - 13$
- $r = T / F$
 - $r = F / 6\pi\eta v$
 - $r = F / m\omega^2$
 - $r = v^2 / a$
- 4000 J

12th August

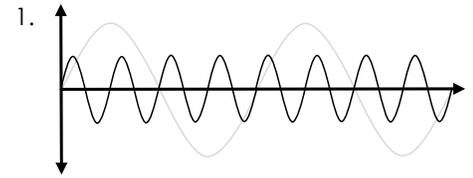
- $y = -2x + 21$
- You change this.
 - This then changes.
 - You keep these the same.
- 4.3×10^{14} to $7.5 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$

13th August

- $5.03 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^2$
 - $1.58 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$
 - $5.09 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^2$
 - $7.9 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^2$
- $y = \sin x$ and $y = -\sin x$
- 8.0 Ω , 3.6 V and 2.4 V

14th August

- 2.5×10^8

15th August

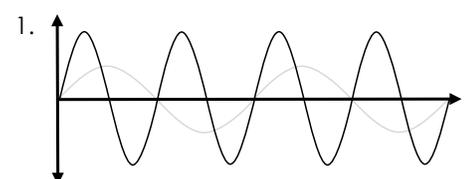
- $6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
 - $8.31 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$
 - $6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N m}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2}$
 - $1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
- $1.63 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3$

16th August

- $10 > 9$
 - $100 \gg 9$
 - $3.7 < 4.1$
 - $660 \times 10^{-9} > 6.5 \times 10^{-7}$
- $\omega_1 = \omega_2 - at$
 - $\omega_1 = \sqrt{(\omega_2^2 - 2a\theta)}$
 - $\omega_1 = \sqrt{((\theta/t) - 1/2at)}$
 - $\omega_1 = (2\theta/t) - \omega_2$
- $E_e = 1/2 ke^2$

17th August

- $5.97 \times 10^{24} > 4.87 \times 10^{24}$
 - $5.97 \times 10^{24} \ll 1.99 \times 10^{30}$
 - $5.97 \times 10^{24} \ll 6 \times 10^{30}$
 - $9.11 \times 10^{-31} < 1 \times 10^{-30}$
- $\lambda = v / f$
 - $\lambda = d \sin \theta / n$
 - $\lambda = ws / D$
 - $\lambda = D\theta$
- 130 kg

18th August

18th August - continued

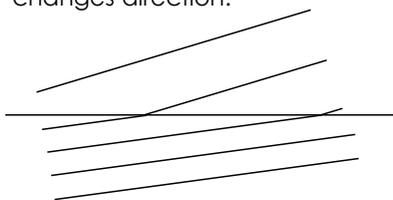
- $r = kQ / V$
 - $r = \sqrt{(kQ / E)}$
 - $r = \sqrt{(kQ_1Q_2 / F)}$
 - $r = \sqrt{(GMm / F)}$
- 2.84 kg

19th August

- A lovely curve.
- 54° 126° 54°
- 1.2 N
 - 2.2 N

20th August

- $m_{\text{Earth}} \ll m_{\text{Sun}}$
 - $m_p < m_n$
 - $m_p \gg m_e$
 - Black hole $\gg m_{\text{Sun}}$
- 40° 70° 140°
- One part of the wavefront slows down before the other part so it changes direction.



21st August

- A really lovely curve.
- 180°
 - 133°
- 5.33 m s^{-1} 0.544 s

22nd August

- An even lovelier curve!
 - $B = D$
 - 107°
 - Two protons and two neutrons ejected.
- $$\begin{matrix} A & & A-4 & 4 \\ X & \rightarrow & Y & + & \alpha \\ Z & & Z-2 & & 2 \end{matrix}$$

23rd August

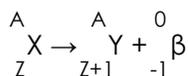
- In a closed system, the total momentum before an event is equal to the total momentum after the event.
- Reflection occurs when a wave bounces off a surface or boundary. Specular reflection occurs on a smooth surface such that incident parallel rays remain parallel, producing an image. Diffuse reflection occurs on a rough surface, scattering the incident rays such that no image is formed.
- 10.3 m

24th August

- The amplitude of a wave is defined as the maximum displacement of a point on a wave away from its undisturbed position.
- DC is positive to negative but the electrons move from negative to positive.
- Increasing the collision time for the same change of momentum decreases the size of the force experienced. $F = \Delta p / \Delta t$

25th August

- In a transverse wave the oscillations are perpendicular to the direction of energy transfer, while in a longitudinal wave they are parallel.
- Decreasing the volume increases the pressure as there are more collisions per second by the molecules.
- A neutron changes into a proton, ejecting a high-speed electron.



26th August

- A graph showing a parabola opening upwards on a Cartesian coordinate system. The x-axis and y-axis are shown, with the origin at the center. The parabola has its vertex at the origin.

26th August - continued

- As the temperature decreases the pressure decreases because the molecules are moving slower.
- $2.07 \times 10^{10} \text{ J}$

27th August

- The specific heat capacity of a substance is the amount of energy required to raise the temperature of one kilogram of the substance by one degree Celsius (one kelvin).
- As the temperature increases the volume increases while the gas remains at a constant pressure.
- Curved line of best fit, ignoring anomaly at 4.0 cm.

28th August

- 0.000
 - 0.500
 - 0.707
 - 0.866
 - 1.000
- $F = ma$ and $a = (v-u) / \Delta t$
 $F = (mv - mu) / \Delta t$
 $F = \Delta p / \Delta t$

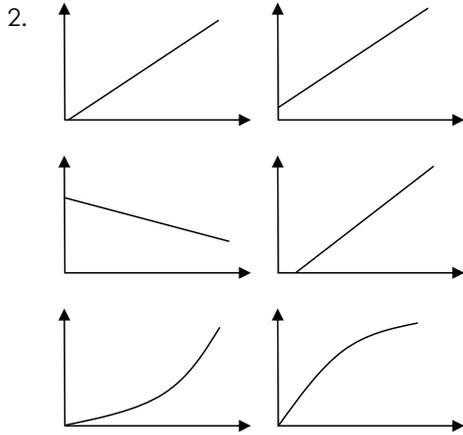
- 30°

29th August

- 1.000
 - 0.866
 - 0.707
 - 0.500
 - 0.000
- When they have a constant speed but change direction, for example, objects moving in a circular path.
- 0.038 A, 0.025 A and 0.063 A

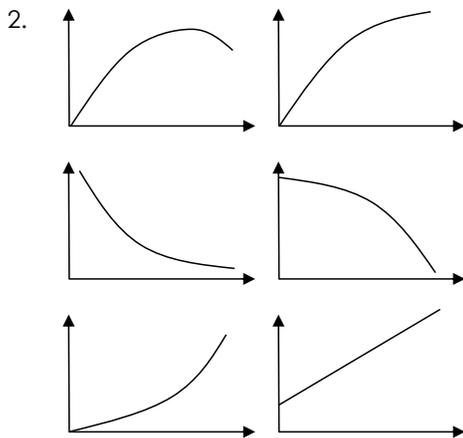
30th August

1. Neat curves.



31st August

1. Neat curves.



1st September

- 39.1°
- kg m s^{-2}
- Both can reflect, refract and diffract but only transverse waves can be polarised.
(T) EM waves, S waves
(L) Sound, ultrasound, P waves

2nd September

- 5.7 cm
- $\text{kg m}^2 \text{s}^{-2}$
- Both can reflect, refract and diffract but mechanical waves have oscillating particles, while electric and magnetic fields oscillate in EM waves.
(Mech) Sound, seismic waves
(EM) Radio, visible, gamma

3rd September

- 0.069 m
- $\text{kg m}^2 \text{s}^{-3} \text{A}^{-1}$
- The force is proportional to the extension provided a spring has not passed the limit of proportionality.

4th September

- 370 mm
- $\text{kg m}^{-1} \text{s}^2$
- 58°

5th September

- 9.90 cm
- $\text{kg s}^{-2} \text{A}^{-1}$
- 67°

6th September

- a. 9.0×10^{11}
b. 8.0×10^{12}
c. 9.0×10^{-7}
d. 1.2×10^{-1}
- A quantity with magnitude and direction.
 - Force
 - Velocity
 - Acceleration
 - Displacement
 - Weight
 - Momentum
 - Electric field strength

3. 114°

7th September

- A perfect curve.
- The work done is equal to the force applied multiplied by the distance moved in the direction of the force.
- 19.2°

8th September

- 6760 m
- The graph shows a straight line starting from the origin (0,0) and ending at a point on the x-axis labeled 5.5. The y-axis has a tick mark labeled 11.
- The graph shows a sinusoidal wave. The vertical axis is labeled x / mm and has a tick mark at 20. The horizontal axis is labeled s / cm and has a tick mark at 5.0. The wave starts at the origin (0,0), reaches a peak at x=20, crosses the x-axis at s=5.0, reaches a trough at x=-20, and crosses the x-axis again at s=10.0. The amplitude is labeled A and the wavelength is labeled λ.

9th September

- See 13th - 15th July
- $P = W \cos \theta$
 $L = W \sin \theta$

10th September

- 1.2
- a. Mass of an electron
b. Permittivity of free space
c. Atomic mass unit
d. Elementary charge
e. Planck's constant
f. One electronvolt
- $P = 91.6$
 $L = 51.4$

11th September

- 15
- a. Elastic potential energy
b. Displacement
c. Change in momentum
- $W_{\text{perpendicular}} = W \cos \theta$
 $W_{\text{parallel}} = W \sin \theta$

12th September

- 7.8
- a. Resistor
b. LDR
c. Fuse

2nd October - continued

- 17.45 1.20
- The stationary wave would have antinodes and nodes, points where the wave is at maximum amplitude and zero amplitude respectively. The distance between nodes is equal to half a wavelength. The progressive wave transfers energy along the string.

3rd October

- a. $d = v / f$
b. $d = \sqrt{4A / \pi}$
c. $d = n\lambda / \sin\theta$
- 6.52 2.63
- $n = 1.2$

4th October

- a. $M = -rV_g / G$
b. $M = -r^2g / G$
c. $M = -r^2F / Gm$
- 1.18 0.34
- -5.67 m s^{-1}

5th October

- a. 1.50×10^{11} 1 AU
b. 3.09×10^{16} 1 pc
c. 9.46×10^{15} 1 ly
- 46.72 89.40
- The power dissipated by the wires (whose resistance cannot be ignored) is proportional to the current squared, $P = I^2R$. If the current is reduced by a factor of 10, the power dissipated is reduced by a factor of 100. This makes it very important to transmit electricity at low currents.

6th October

- a. 6.38×10^6 r_{Earth}
b. 5.97×10^{24} m_{Earth}
c. 1.99×10^{30} m_{Sun}

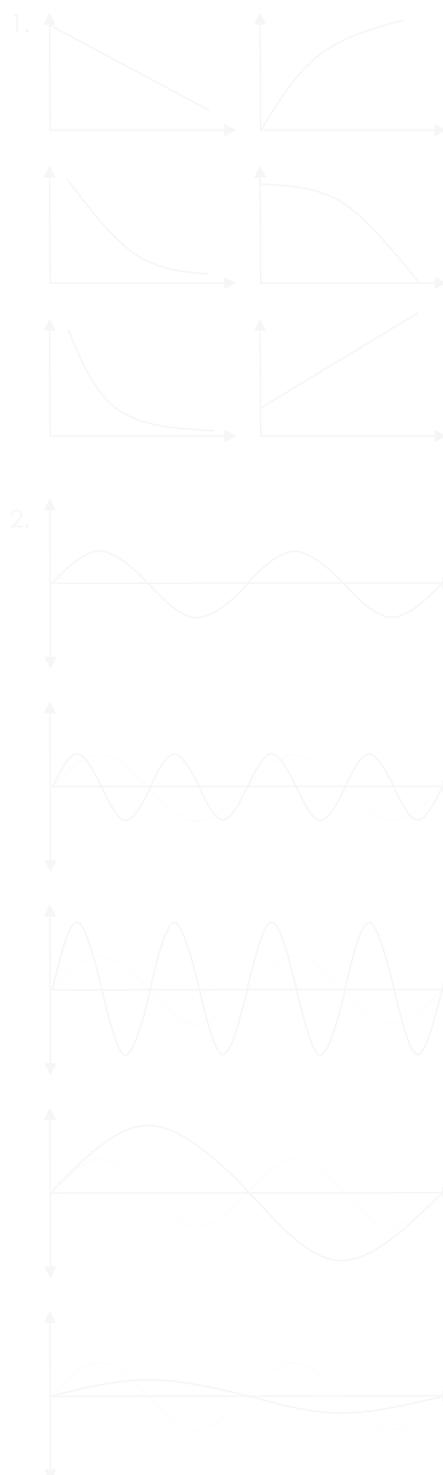
6th October - continued

- 0.575 s
- 6.2 N

7th October

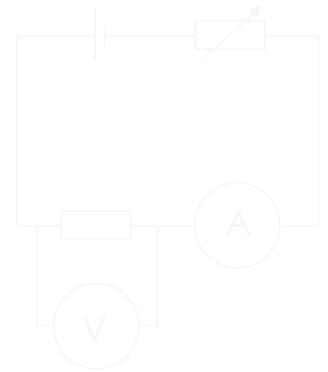
- Mean = 102
Mode = 104
Median = 102.5
- 5.64 m s^{-1}
- 6.2 N

8th October



9th October

- a. 12.6 m^2
b. 3.14 m^2
c. 0.785 m^2
d. 0.196 m^2
- An accurate result is one that is very close to the true value.
- Record values of I and V, making sure that the circuit is only briefly switched on while recording data. Plot on an IV graph.



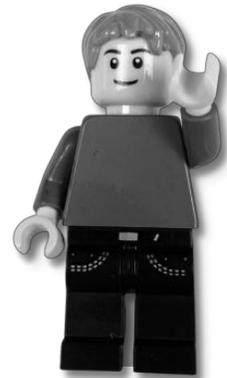
10th October

- a. $1.08 \times 10^{21} \text{ m}^3$
b. $1.41 \times 10^{27} \text{ m}^3$
c. $4.19 \times 10^{30} \text{ m}^3$
d. $4.19 \times 10^{45} \text{ m}^3$
- Resolution is the smallest scale division on a measuring instrument.



11th October

- a. 31.4 m
b. $3.14 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}$
c. $3.14 \times 10^7 \text{ m}$
d. $3.14 \times 10^{13} \text{ m}$
e. $3.14 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$
- 38.20
- Parallax error is an error in a measurement caused by the viewer's eye not being lined up properly with the object in



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