

# General Certificate of Secondary Education

# Science A 4405 / Physics 4403

PH1HP Unit Physics 1

# **Mark Scheme**

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#### MARK SCHEME

#### Information to Examiners

#### 1. General

The mark scheme for each question shows:

- the marks available for each part of the question
- the total marks available for the question
- the typical answer or answers which are expected
- extra information to help the Examiner make his or her judgement and help to delineate what is acceptable or not worthy of credit or, in discursive answers, to give an overview of the area in which a mark or marks may be awarded.

The extra information is aligned to the appropriate answer in the left-hand part of the mark scheme and should only be applied to that item in the mark scheme.

At the beginning of a part of a question a reminder may be given, for example: where consequential marking needs to be considered in a calculation; or the answer may be on the diagram or at a different place on the script.

In general the right hand side of the mark scheme is there to provide those extra details which confuse the main part of the mark scheme yet may be helpful in ensuring that marking is straightforward and consistent.

#### 2. Emboldening

- 2.1 In a list of acceptable answers where more than one mark is available 'any **two** from' is used, with the number of marks emboldened. Each of the following lines is a potential mark.
- 2.2 A bold **and** is used to indicate that both parts of the answer are required to award the mark.
- 2.3 Alternative answers acceptable for a mark are indicated by the use of or. (Different terms in the mark scheme are shown by a /; eg allow smooth / free movement.)

#### 3. Marking points

#### 3.1 Marking of lists

This applies to questions requiring a set number of responses, but for which students have provided extra responses. The general principle to be followed in such a situation is that 'right + wrong = wrong'.

Each error/contradiction negates each correct response. So, if the number of error/contradictions equals or exceeds the number of marks available for the question, no marks can be awarded.

However, responses considered to be neutral (indicated as \* in example 1) are not penalised.

Example 1: What is the pH of an acidic solution? (1 mark)

Student	Response	Marks awarded
1	4,8	0
2	green, 5	0
3	red*, 5	1
4	red*, 8	0

Example 2: Name two planets in the solar system. (2 marks)

Student	Response	Marks awarded
1	Neptune, Mars, Moon	1
2	Neptune, Sun, Mars,	0
	Moon	

#### 3.2 Use of chemical symbols / formulae

If a student writes a chemical symbol / formula instead of a required chemical name, full credit can be given if the symbol / formula is correct and if, in the context of the question, such action is appropriate.

#### 3.3 Marking procedure for calculations

Full marks can be given for a correct numerical answer, as shown in the column 'answers', without any working shown.

However if the answer is incorrect, mark(s) can be gained by correct substitution / working and this is shown in the 'extra information' column;

#### 3.4 Interpretation of 'it'

Answers using the word 'it' should be given credit only if it is clear that the 'it' refers to the correct subject.

#### 3.5 Errors carried forward

Any error in the answers to a structured question should be penalised once only.

Papers should be constructed in such a way that the number of times errors can be carried forward are kept to a minimum. Allowances for errors carried forward are most likely to be restricted to calculation questions and should be shown by the abbreviation e.c.f. in the marking scheme.

#### 3.6 Phonetic spelling

The phonetic spelling of correct scientific terminology should be credited **unless** there is a possible confusion with another technical term.

#### 3.7 Brackets

(....) are used to indicate information which is not essential for the mark to be awarded but is included to help the examiner identify the sense of the answer required.

#### **Quality of Written Communication and levels marking**

In Question 8 students are required to produce extended written material in English, and will be assessed on the quality of their written communication as well as the standard of the scientific response.

Students will be required to:

- use good English
- organise information clearly
- use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

The following general criteria should be used to assign marks to a level:

#### Level 1: Basic

- Knowledge of basic information
- Simple understanding
- The answer is poorly organised, with almost no specialist terms and their use demonstrating a general lack of understanding of their meaning, little or no detail
- The spelling, punctuation and grammar are very weak.

#### Level 2: Clear

- Knowledge of accurate information
- Clear understanding
- The answer has some structure and organisation, use of specialist terms has been attempted but not always accurately, some detail is given
- There is reasonable accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar, although there may still be some errors.

#### Level 3: Detailed

- Knowledge of accurate information appropriately contextualised
- Detailed understanding, supported by relevant evidence and examples
- Answer is coherent and in an organised, logical sequence, containing a wide range of appropriate or relevant specialist terms used accurately.
- The answer shows almost faultless spelling, punctuation and grammar.

# **Question 1**

question	answers	extra information	mark
1(a)	any <b>two</b> from:		2
	black is a good emitter of (infrared radiation)	accept heat for radiation ignore reference to absorbing radiation	
	large surface (area)		
	matt surfaces are better emitters (than shiny surfaces)	accept matt surfaces are good emitters	
		ignore reference to good conductor	
1(b)		efficiency =	
		useful energy out (×100%) total energy in	
	90 % or 0.9(0)	allow 1 mark for correct substitution	2
		ie <u>13.5</u> 15	
		provided no subsequent step shown	
		an answer of 90 scores 1 mark	
		an answer of 90 / 0.90 with a unit scores 1 mark	
1(c)	(producing) light	allow (producing) sound	1

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# **Question 1 continued**

question	answers	extra information	mark
1(d)	any <b>two</b> from:  • wood is renewable	accept wood grows again / quickly accept wood can be replanted	2
	(using wood) conserves fossil fuels	accept doesn't use fossil fuels	
	wood is carbon neutral	accept a description	
		cheaper / saves money is insufficient	
1(e)		$E = m \times c \times \theta$	
	2550000	allow 1 mark for correct substitution ie 100 × 510 x 50 provided no subsequent step shown	2
		answers of 1020000, 3570 000 gain <b>1</b> mark	
	joules /J	accept kJ / MJ	1
		do <b>not</b> accept j	
		for full credit the unit and numerical answer must be consistent	
Total			10

#### **Question 2**

question	answers	extra information	mark
2(a)(i)	kinetic (energy)	allow <u>gravitational</u> potential (energy) / gpe	1
		movement is insufficient	
2(a)(ii)	dissipates into the surroundings	allow warms up the surroundings / air / motor	1
		accept lost to the surroundings accept lost as heat	
		ignore reference to sound	
		it is lost is insufficient	
2(b)	energy (required) increases with	accept positive correlation	1
	load	do <b>not</b> accept (directly) proportional	
	further amplification eg increases slowly at first (or up to 4 / 5 N), then increases rapidly	simply quoting figures is insufficient	1
	47 STV), then increases rapidly	an answer that only describes the shape of the line gains <b>no</b> marks	

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# **Question 2 continued**

question	answers	extra information	mark
2(c)(i)		$E = P \times t$	
	2880	accept £28.80 for all 3 marks	3
		an answer £2880 gains 2 marks	
		allow 1 mark for obtaining 48 h or converting to kW	
		allow <b>2</b> marks for correct substitution ie 4 × 48 × 15	
		note: this substitution may be shown as two steps	
		an answer 2880 000 gains <b>2</b> marks	
		an answer £4.80 / 480 gains <b>2</b> marks	
		an answer of 192 (ie calculation of energy without subsequent calculation of cost) gains 1 mark)	
2(c)(ii)	any sensible suggestion eg		1
	conserves fossil fuels		
	less (fossil) fuels burned		
	less pollutant gas (produced)	accept a named pollutant gas	
	less greenhouse gas (produced)		
		saves energy is insufficient	
Total			8

#### **Question 3**

question	answers	extra information	mark
3(a)(i)	energy from hot rocks in the Earth	accept heat that occurs naturally in the Earth	1
		accept steam / hot water rising to the Earth's surface	
		accept an answer in terms of the energy released by radioactive decay in the Earth	
		heat energy is insufficient	
3(a)(ii)	water is pumped / moved		1
	up (to a higher reservoir)	this mark point only scores if first mark point is awarded	1
3(b)			6

Marks awarded for this answer will be determined by the Quality of Written Communication (QWC) as well as the standard of the scientific response. Examiners should also refer to the information on page 4 and apply a 'best-fit' approach to the marking.

0 marks	Level 1 (1-2 marks)	Level 2 (3-4 marks)	Level 3 (5-6 marks)
No relevant content	There is a brief description of at least one advantage or disadvantage for either the planned wind turbines or the suggested electricity power link.	There is a description of advantages and disadvantages for either the planned wind turbines or the suggested electricity power link.  or  A description of the advantages or disadvantages for both the planned wind turbines and the suggested electricity power link.	There is a clear and detailed description of at least one advantage and one disadvantage for both the planned wind turbines and suggested electricity power link.

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#### **Question 3 continued**

examples of the points made in the response		extra information
Offsh	ore wind turbines	
advan	tages	
•	renewable (energy resource)	
•	low running costs	
•	energy is free	
•	no gas emissions (when in use)	accept a named gas eg CO <sub>2</sub> accept no fuel is burned accept less dependent on fossil fuels
•	land is not used (up)	
disad	vantages	
•	unreliable – accept wind does not always blow	ignore references to destroying or harming habitats
•	hazard to birds / bats	
•	visual pollution – do not accept noise pollution	do <b>not</b> allow if clearly referring to onshore wind turbines
•	difficulty of linking turbines to the National Grid	do <b>not</b> accept spoils landscape
•	large initial cost	
•	difficult to erect / maintain	accept a lot of maintenance needed
•	CO <sub>2</sub> emissions in manufacture (of large number of turbines)	

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# **Question 3 continued**

examples of the points made in the response	extra information
Suggested Link	
advantages	
income for Iceland	
<ul> <li>using Iceland's (available) energy (resources)</li> </ul>	accept using (Iceland's) renewable energy (resources)
	do <b>not</b> accept reduce the amount of Iceland's wasted energy
<ul> <li>provide electricity when wind does not blow / reliable</li> </ul>	
provide electricity at times of peak demand	
even out fluctuations in supply	
excess electricity from Britain (windy days) to Iceland and used to pump water up to store energy	
Britain less dependent on fossil fuels	accept Britain needs fewer (new) power stations
	accept conserves fossil fuels
disadvantages	
large initial cost	accept expensive (to lay cables)
power loss along a long cable	
(engineering) difficulties in laying / maintaining the cable	accept difficult to repair (if damaged)
Total	9

# **Question 4**

question	answers	extra information	mark
4(a)	(kinetic) energy (of the particles) is reduced	accept slow down accept transfer energy to (cold) glass / surface accept energy is lost	1
		do <b>not</b> accept vibrate less	
	move closer together		1
4(b)	double glazing provides (better) insulation	accept double glazing has a lower U-value	1
		accept less energy / heat transfer through double glazing	
	(inside of) glass is not as cold	accept window stays warm(er)	1
4(c)(i)	any <b>one</b> from:		1
	to avoid bias		
	to make sure results are reproducible	accept repeatable / reliable for reproducible	
4(c)(ii)	any three from:	accept Superglaze or G-type for 'better insulating glass' throughout	3
	the lower the <u>U-value</u> , the better the insulator	'better insulating glass' has a lower U-value is insufficient	
	<ul> <li>better insulating glass costs more money</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>increasing the (width of) air gap increases cost</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>additional cost of better insulating glass offset by energy savings</li> </ul>		
Total			8

# **Question 5**

question	answers	extra information	mark
5(a)	any <b>two</b> from:		2
	travel (at same speed) through a vacuum / space	do <b>not</b> accept air for vacuum	
	transverse		
	transfer energy		
	can be reflected		
	can be refracted		
	can be diffracted		
	can be absorbed		
	travel in straight lines		
5(b)	can pass through the ionosphere	accept atmosphere for ionosphere	1
		do <b>not</b> accept air for ionosphere	
		accept travel in straight lines accept not refracted / reflected / absorbed by the ionosphere	
5(c)	diffraction (of waves around hills)		1
	wavelength needs to be similar size to the obstacle / gap		1
	radio has a long enough wavelength <b>or</b> TV doesn't have a long enough wavelength		1
	long enough wavelength	an answer TV (waves / signals) have short wavelengths so do not diffract (around the hill) scores 2 marks	

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# **Question 5 continued**

question	answers	extra information	mark
5(d)		$v = f \times \lambda$	
	1.2 × 10 <sup>6</sup> / 1200 000	allow 1 mark for correct substitution ie $3.0 \times 10^8 = f \times 2.5 \times 10^2$	2
	hertz / Hz	do <b>not</b> accept hz <b>or</b> HZ	1
		accept kHz <b>or</b> MHz	
		answers 1.2 MHz <b>or</b> 1200 kHz gain all <b>3</b> marks	
		for full credit the unit and numerical value must be consistent	
Total			9

# **Question 6**

question	answers	extra information	mark
6		accept atoms / particles for ions throughout	
	(a metal has) free electrons	accept mobile for free	1
	(kinetic) energy of (free) electrons	accept energy of ions increases	1
	increases	accept ions vibrate with a bigger amplitude	
		accept ions vibrate more	
		do <b>not</b> accept electrons vibrate more	
	(free) <u>electrons</u> move faster <b>or</b>	accept electrons collide with other electrons / ions	1
	electrons move through metal		
	(so) electrons transfer energy to other electrons / ions	accept ions transfer energy to neighbouring ions	1
Total			4

# Question 7

question	answers	extra information	mark
7(a)	two rays drawn from the bulb and reflected by the glass	angle I = angle R judged by eye  allow 1 mark for one incident and reflected ray even if angle I doesn't equal angle R	2
	at least one arrow drawn in correct direction	any conflicting arrows negate this mark  ignore any arrows drawn on construction lines behind the glass	1
	position of image correct	judged by eye	1
	Thin sheet of glass acting as a mirror  Light bulb  Student's eye		

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# **Question 7 continued**

question	answers	extra information	mark
7(b)	image is formed by virtual / imaginary rays crossing	accept construction lines only show where the light seems to come from  accept the image is behind the glass / mirror  accept image is seen through the glass / mirror  accept (real) rays of light do not pass through the image  accept (real) rays do not cross  accept the image is a reflection (of the object)  accept the image is formed by reflection  do not accept a virtual image can't be formed on a screen	1
		do <b>not</b> accept the object / image	
		is reflected	
Total			5

# **Question 8**

question	answers	extra information	mark
8(a)	any three from:		3
	red-shift shows galaxies are moving away (from each other / the Earth)		
	more distant galaxies show bigger red-shift		
	or		
	more distant galaxies show a greater increase in wavelength	accept correct reference to frequency in place of wavelength	
	(in all directions) more distant galaxies are moving away faster	accept (suggests) universe is expanding	
	suggests single point of origin (of the universe)		
8(b)(i)	(radiation produced shortly after) 'Big Bang'	accept beginning of time / beginning of the universe for 'Big Bang'	1
8(b)(ii)	any <b>one</b> from:		1
	can only be explained by 'Big Bang'		
	existence predicted by 'Big Bang'		
	provides (further) evidence for     'Big Bong'	ignore proves 'Big Bang' (theory)	
	'Big Bang'	ignore reference to red-shift	

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#### **Question 8 continued**

question	answers	extra information	mark
8(b)(iii)	increase	accept becomes radio waves	1
	universe continues to accelerate outwards	accept as universe continues to expand	1
	or		
	greater red-shift		
Total			7

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