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## External assessment



## Physics

## Paper 2

## Time allowed

- Perusal time - 10 minutes
- Working time - 90 minutes


## General instructions

- Answer all questions in this question and response book.
- Write using black or blue pen.
- QCAA-approved calculator permitted.
- QCAA formula and data book provided.
- Planning paper will not be marked.


## Section 1 (37 marks)

- 9 short response questions


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## Section 1

## Instructions

- If you need more space for a response, use the additional pages at the back of this book.
- On the additional pages, write the question number you are responding to.
- Cancel any incorrect response by ruling a single diagonal line through your work.
- Write the page number of your alternative/additional response, i.e. See page ...
- If you do not do this, your original response will be marked.


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## QUESTION 1 (1 mark)

Explain why an object with mass cannot travel at the speed of light in a vacuum.

## QUESTION 2 (6 marks)

A physicist measured the electric field strength at different distances away from a point charge. The data is plotted in the graph.


[^0]a) Identify the mathematical relationship between $E$ and $\frac{1}{r^{2}}$
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b) Use the mathematical relationship identified in 2a) to deduce the magnitude of the charge creating the electric field.
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Charge $=$ $\qquad$ C (to 1 decimal place)

## QUESTION 3 (5 marks)

The diagram shows the atomic energy levels of the atoms in an unknown gas.


Predict the shortest wavelength of visible light that could be emitted from this unknown gas.
(Note: The range of visible wavelengths of light is between 400 nm and 700 nm .)

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Wavelength $=$ $\qquad$ nm

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## QUESTION 4 (5 marks)

Describe how experiments on the photoelectric effect provide evidence of the quantised nature of photons.
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## QUESTION 5 (4 marks)

An electron is situated halfway between two nuclei that are separated from each other by a distance of $4.5 \times 10^{-10} \mathrm{~m}$. The first nucleus contains two protons. The second nucleus contains three protons.
Calculate the magnitude of the overall electromagnetic force experienced by the electron.
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Force $=$ N (to 1 decimal place)

## QUESTION 6 (4 marks)

The diagram shows a particle, Q , entering a uniform magnetic field of 0.090 T . The particle has a speed of $1.5 \times 10^{6} \mathrm{~m} \mathrm{~s}^{-1}$. Once in the magnetic field, the particle moves in a circular path as shown.


It is suspected that Q is one of the particles listed in the table.

| Particle number | Charge, $\boldsymbol{q}(\mathbf{C})$ | Mass, $\boldsymbol{m}(\mathbf{k g})$ |
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| 1 | $-1.60 \times 10^{-19}$ | $9.11 \times 10^{-31}$ |
| 2 | $+1.60 \times 10^{-19}$ | $9.11 \times 10^{-31}$ |
| 3 | $+1.60 \times 10^{-19}$ | $1.67 \times 10^{-27}$ |
| 4 | $+1.60 \times 10^{-19}$ | $3.34 \times 10^{-27}$ |
| 5 | $-1.60 \times 10^{-19}$ | $3.34 \times 10^{-27}$ |

Determine which particle Q is most likely to be.

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\text { Particle } \mathrm{Q}=
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## QUESTION 7 (3 marks)

A photoelectric effect experiment is conducted by shining different frequencies of light on a sample of aluminium. The kinetic energy of the ejected photoelectrons was measured. The data is plotted in the graph.


Identify the mathematical relationship between kinetic energy, $E_{\mathrm{k}}$, and incident frequency, $f$.

## QUESTION 8 (4 marks)

The diagram shows an object sliding down a frictionless inclined plane.


The graph shows the velocity of the object measured at various times.


Determine the angle of incline, $\theta_{i}$, of the inclined plane. Show your working.

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## QUESTION 9 (5 marks)

Nine planets orbit the same star. The orbital radius and orbital period of each planet was measured. The graph shows the cube of the orbital radius of each planet, $r^{3}$, compared to its orbital period squared, $T^{2}$.


Determine the mass of the star. Show your working.

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## Mass $=$

kg (to 1 decimal place)

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