Materials
For this paper you must have:
- a ruler
- a calculator
- the Physics Equation Sheet (enclosed).

Instructions
- Answer all questions in the spaces provided.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information
- There are 70 marks available on this paper.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- You are expected to use a calculator where appropriate.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.
- When answering questions 05.1 and 07.5 you need to make sure that your answer:
  - is clear, logical, sensibly structured
  - fully meets the requirements of the question
  - shows that each separate point or step supports the overall answer.

Advice
- In all calculations, show clearly how you work out your answer.

Please write clearly, in block capitals.

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Most electrical appliances are connected to the mains electricity using three-core cables.

What is the approximate value of the potential difference of the UK mains electricity supply?

Tick one box.

- 23 V
- 230 V
- 300 V
- 350 V

Figure 1 shows a three-core cable.

Use answers from the box to label the wires and complete Figure 1.
01.3 In the UK the three wires in a three-core cable are always the same colours.

Why are the wires always the same colours?

Tick one box  

Each wire is made by a different company. 

It is easy to identify each wire. 

They are cheaper to manufacture. 

[1 mark]

01.4 Touching the live wire is dangerous.

Use answers from the box to complete the sentences.

[2 marks]

<table>
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<tr>
<th>current</th>
<th>resistance</th>
<th>shock</th>
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Touching the live wire causes a large potential difference to exist across the body.

This causes a ___________________________ through the body,

which results in an electric ___________________________

01.5 What is the approximate frequency of the UK mains electricity supply?

Tick one answer.  

[1 mark]

50 Hz 

75 Hz 

100 Hz 

150 Hz
Figure 2 shows how power stations transfer electrical power to consumers using the National Grid.

**Figure 2**

The power station generates electricity at a voltage of 25 kV.

Transformer A increases the voltage by a factor of 16.

What is the voltage output of transformer A?

Output voltage = ____________ kV

Why is the voltage increased by transformer A?

Tick one box.

[1 mark]

- To reduce the energy lost due to heating
- To increase the power
- To increase the current
Why is it important that the voltage is decreased by transformer B?

Tick one box.

- Less energy is used by consumers
- It is safer for consumers
- It reduces consumers’ electricity bills

[1 mark]
The nuclei of some isotopes are radioactive.

Which of the following statements could apply to a radioactive nucleus? [1 mark]

Tick one box.
- The nucleus will emit an atom.
- The nucleus will emit light.
- The nucleus will emit a neutron.
- The nucleus will emit sound.

Potassium-40 is a radioactive isotope present in food, such as bananas.

The following equation shows how potassium-40 will decay into calcium-40

\[ ^{40}_{19}\text{potassium} \rightarrow ^{40}_{20}\text{calcium} + ^{0}_{-1}\text{e} \]

Give one similarity and one difference between nuclei of potassium-40 and calcium-40 [2 marks]

Similarity

Difference

The activity of a sample of potassium-40 is measured 3 times.

The measurements are given below.

4906 Bq  4956 Bq  4889 Bq

Which of the following statements explains why the readings are different? [1 mark]

Tick one box.
- Radioactive decay is constant.
- Radioactive decay is hazardous.
- Radioactive decay is random.
02.4 Figure 3 shows how the activity of a sample of potassium-40 changes over time.

![Figure 3](image)

Use Figure 3 to determine the half-life of potassium-40.

[2 marks]

Half-life = ___________________ billion years

02.5 When food is eaten, some of the radiation the food emits is detectable outside the body.

Which type of radiation would not be detectable outside the body?

Tick one box.

[1 mark]

- alpha
- beta
- gamma
Figure 4 is a diagram of an alpha particle and a helium atom.

What is the approximate size of a helium atom?

Tick one box.

[1 mark]

- $1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}$
- $1 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$
- $1 \times 10^{-15} \text{ m}$
- $1 \times 10^{-20} \text{ m}$

A helium atom is much larger than an alpha particle.

Give one other difference between a helium atom and an alpha particle.

[1 mark]
03.3 What is the atomic number of the helium atom in Figure 4? 
Tick one box. 

2  
4  
6  
8  

[1 mark]

03.4 What is the charge on the helium atom in Figure 4? 
Explain your answer. 

[3 marks]

03.5 Helium is a gas that occurs naturally. 
There is very little helium on Earth. 
Helium has important uses in medicine and is also used to inflate party balloons. 
Some scientists believe that helium should not be used to inflate party balloons. 
Why? 

[2 marks]
A student investigated the change in temperature when oils of different specific heat capacities were heated.

She set up the apparatus shown in Figure 5.

This is the method used.

1. Put 25 g of oil into a boiling tube.
2. Pour 100 ml of water into a beaker and heat it with a Bunsen burner.
3. When the water is boiling, put the boiling tube into the beaker.
4. When the temperature of the oil reaches 30 °C, heat for a further 30 seconds and record the rise in temperature.
5. Repeat with different oils.
6. Repeat the whole investigation.

Name two pieces of apparatus the student used that are not shown in Figure 5.

[2 marks]
What are the independent and dependent variables in the student’s investigation?  

Independent

Dependent

Give two safety precautions the student should have taken.

1

2

Suggest one improvement to the student’s method.
Table 1 shows the student's results.

Table 1

<table>
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<td>Olive oil</td>
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<td>Sesame oil</td>
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Calculate the mean temperature rise for olive oil.

Give your answer to two significant figures.

[2 marks]

Mean temperature rise = \( \text{ }^\circ\text{C} \)
The mean change in temperature of the castor oil is 20 °C.

The specific heat capacity of castor oil is 1800 J/kg °C.

The mass of oil used is 0.025 kg.

Calculate the change in thermal energy of the castor oil the student used.

Use the correct equation from the Physics Equations Sheet.

Select the correct unit from the box.

joule  newton  volt

Change in thermal energy = __________________________

Unit __________________________

Turn over for the next question
Figure 6 shows solid ice on a car's rear window.

The glass window contains an electrical heating element.

Use the particle model in Figure 7 to describe how the heating element causes the arrangement of the ice particles to change as the ice melts.

You should include a description of how the particles are arranged in the solid ice and in the water.

[6 marks]
A car manufacturer tests different heating elements by measuring how long it takes ice to melt.

During the test some variables must be controlled.

Identify two control variables in the car manufacturer’s test. [2 marks]

Tick two boxes.

The colour of the car
The current in the heating element
The mass of ice
The size of the car
The time taken for the ice to melt

Question 5 continues on the next page
Some of the energy supplied by the heater causes the ice to melt without the temperature of the ice increasing.

05.3 What is the name given to this energy supplied by the heater? [1 mark]

Tick one box.

Latent heat of freezing
Latent heat of fusion
Latent heat of vaporisation

05.4 When the heater is supplied with 120 J of energy each second, the internal energy of the ice increases by 45 J each second.

Use the following equation to calculate the efficiency of the heater.

\[
\text{Efficiency} = \frac{\text{output energy transfer}}{\text{input energy transfer}}
\]

Give your answer to two decimal places. [2 marks]

Efficiency =
Figure 8 shows a circuit diagram containing two identical lamps arranged in parallel. The reading on the ammeter is 186 mA.

Figure 8

Which statement about the current through the lamps is true? [1 mark]

Tick one box.

- The current through both lamp P and lamp Q is 0.093 A
- The current through both lamp P and lamp Q is 0.186 A
- The current through both lamp P and lamp Q is 0.93 A
- The current through both lamp P and lamp Q is 1.86 A

One of the lamps breaks and is not replaced.

Which statement about the current in the other lamp is true? [1 mark]

Tick one box.

- The current through the lamp is 0.093 A
- The current through the lamp is 0.186 A
- The current through the lamp is 0.93 A
- The current through the lamp is 1.86 A
**Figure 9** shows a circuit that can be used to alter the brightness of a lamp.

The resistance of the variable resistor is increased. What effect will this have on the brightness of the lamp?

Explain your answer. [2 marks]

When the potential difference across the lamp is 3.3 V, the current is 0.15 A.

Write down the equation that links current, potential difference and resistance. [1 mark]

Equation______________________________________________________________

Calculate the resistance of the lamp. [3 marks]

Resistance = _____________ Ω
Sketch a current–potential difference graph for a filament lamp.

[1 mark]
Figure 10 shows a battery operated remote control car.

Figure 10

The car’s battery contains a store of energy.

As the car moves, energy from one store is transferred to another store.

Describe how different stores of energy change as the car moves. [2 marks]

The car has a top speed of 12 m/s and a mass of 800 g.

Write down the equation that links kinetic energy, mass and speed. [1 mark]

Equation

Calculate the maximum kinetic energy of the car. [2 marks]

Maximum kinetic energy = J
0 7. 4 Explain why having a more efficient motor increases the top speed of the car.

[2 marks]

Question 7 continues on the next page
Figure 11 shows an electric car being charged.

Figure 11

A driver wishes to buy a new car.

Table 2 gives some data about an electric car and one with a petrol engine.

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<th>Petrol engine car</th>
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<td>Cost (£)</td>
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<td>15 000</td>
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<td>Running cost per year (£)</td>
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<td>Average lifetime (years)</td>
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Which car would be the most economic over its 12 year lifetime?

Use data from Table 2 to support your answer.

You should include the difference in cost in your answer.  

[4 marks]
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