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Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)	the (two) plates are <u>vertical</u> (and separated)	<b>B1</b>
	left plate positively charged <b>and</b> right plate negatively charged/earthed <b>or</b> right plate negatively charged <b>and</b> left plate positively charged/earthed	<b>B1</b>
2(b)	$F = Eq$	<b>C1</b>
	$= 1.3 \times 10^4 \times 3.7 \times 10^{-9}$	<b>A1</b>
	$= 4.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ N}$	
2(c)	$F^2 = (4.8 \times 10^{-5})^2 + (5.4 \times 10^{-5})^2$ so $F = 7.2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ N}$ <b>or</b> $F = [(4.8 \times 10^{-5})^2 + (5.4 \times 10^{-5})^2]^{0.5}$ so $F = 7.2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ N}$	<b>A1</b>
	electric force is constant (because field strength/ $E$ is constant)	<b>B1</b>
2(d)	weight is constant (and so resultant force constant)	<b>B1</b>
2(e)(i)	$m = 5.4 \times 10^{-5} / 9.81 (= 5.5 \times 10^{-6})$	<b>C1</b>
	$a = 7.2 \times 10^{-5} / (5.5 \times 10^{-6})$	<b>A1</b>
	$= 13 \text{ m s}^{-2}$	
2(e)(ii)	$v^2 = u^2 + 2as$	<b>C1</b>
	$v^2 = 2 \times 13 \times 0.58$	
	$v = 3.9 \text{ m s}^{-1}$	<b>A1</b>

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3(a)	$\rho = m / V$	C1
	$V = \pi \times (0.16 / 2)^2 \times 7.6 \times 3.0 \ (= 0.458 \text{ m}^3)$	C1
	$m = \pi \times (0.16 / 2)^2 \times 7.6 \times 3.0 \times 1.2 = 0.55 \text{ kg}$	A1
3(b)(i)	$\Delta p = 0.55 \times 7.6$ $= 4.2 \text{ N s}$	A1
3(b)(ii)	$F = 4.2 / 3.0 \text{ or } 0.55 \times 7.6 / 3.0$ $= 1.4 \text{ N}$	A1
3(c)(i)	$F = 1.4 \text{ N}$	A1
3(c)(ii)	Newton's third law (of motion)	B1
3(d)	$2 \times 1.4 = m \times 9.81$ $m = 0.29 \text{ kg}$	A1
3(e)	the density of air is less at high altitude	B1
3(f)	$f_o = f_s v / (v - v_s)$ $= 3000 \times 340 / (340 - 22)$	C1
	$= 3200 \text{ Hz}$	A1

Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)	$k = F / x$ or $k = \text{gradient}$	C1
	e.g. $k = 4.0 / 0.050$	A1
	$k = 80 \text{ N m}^{-1}$	
4(b)	$E = \frac{1}{2}Fx$ or $E = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$ or $E = \text{area under graph}$	C1
	$(\Delta)E = (\frac{1}{2} \times 3.2 \times 0.040) - (\frac{1}{2} \times 1.2 \times 0.015) = 0.055 \text{ J}$ or $(\Delta)E = (\frac{1}{2} \times 80 \times 0.040^2) - (\frac{1}{2} \times 80 \times 0.015^2) = 0.055 \text{ J}$ or $(\Delta)E = \frac{1}{2} \times (1.2 + 3.2) \times 0.025 = 0.055 \text{ J}$	A1
4(c)	$(\Delta)E = mg(\Delta)h$	C1
	$= 0.122 \times 9.81 \times (0.120 - 0.095)$	A1
	$= 0.030 \text{ J}$	
	or	
	$(\Delta)E = W \times (\Delta)h$	(C1)
	$= 1.2 \times 0.025$	(A1)
	$= 0.030 \text{ J}$	

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4(d)(i)	$E = 0.055 - 0.030$ $= 0.025 \text{ J}$	<b>A1</b>
4(d)(ii)	$E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$	<b>C1</b>
	$v = [(2 \times 0.025) / 0.122]^{0.5}$ $= 0.64 \text{ m s}^{-1}$	<b>A1</b>

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5(a)(i)	the dippers are connected to the same vibrator/motor	<b>B1</b>
5(a)(ii)	(the overlapping waves have) similar/same amplitude	<b>B1</b>
5(b)	any means of ‘freezing’ the pattern e.g. use a stroboscope/strobe	<b>B1</b>
5(c)	$vT = \lambda$ or $v = f\lambda$ and $f = 1 / T$	<b>C1</b>
	$T = 0.060 / 0.40$ $= 0.15 \text{ s}$	<b>A1</b>
5(d)(i)	path difference = 3.0 cm	<b>A1</b>
5(d)(ii)	phase difference = $180^\circ$	<b>A1</b>
5(e)	line drawn joining points where only maxima are observed (i.e. through points where wavefronts intersect) of length at least 4 cm	<b>B1</b>

Question	Answer	Marks
6(a)	work done / charge <b>or</b> energy (transferred from electrical to other forms) / charge	<b>B1</b>
6(b)	for $V < 0.25$ V resistance is infinite/very high (as current is zero)	<b>B1</b>
	for $V > 0.25$ V resistance decreases (as $V$ increases)	<b>B1</b>
6(c)(i)	$R = V / I$	<b>C1</b>
	$= 0.75 / (15 \times 10^{-3})$	<b>C1</b>
	$= 50 \Omega$	<b>A1</b>

Question	Answer	Marks
6(c)(ii)	<b>1.</b> $V_Y = 15 \times 10^{-3} \times 60$ ( $= 0.90$ V)	<b>C1</b>
	$V_X = 2.0 - 0.90 - 0.75$ ( $= 0.35$ V)	<b>C1</b>
	$R_X = 0.35 / (15 \times 10^{-3})$ $= 23 \Omega$	<b>A1</b>
	<b>or</b>	
	total $R = 60 + 50 + R_X$	<b>(C1)</b>
	$60 + 50 + R_X = 2.0 / (15 \times 10^{-3})$	<b>(C1)</b>
	$R_X = 23 \Omega$	<b>(A1)</b>
	<b>2.</b> $P = VI$ or $P = EI$ or $P = I^2R$ or $P = V^2/R$	<b>C1</b>
	ratio $= \frac{(15 \times 10^{-3})^2 \times 60}{2.0 \times 15 \times 10^{-3}}$ or $\frac{0.90 \times 15 \times 10^{-3}}{2.0 \times 15 \times 10^{-3}}$ or $\frac{(0.90^2 / 60)}{2.0 \times 15 \times 10^{-3}}$ $= 0.45$	<b>A1</b>

Question	Answer	Marks
7(a)(i)	proton number = 17 <b>and</b> nucleon number = 35	<b>A1</b>
7(a)(ii)	(electron) neutrino	<b>B1</b>
7(b)	d/down (quark charge) is $-\frac{1}{3}(e)$ <b>or</b> <u>two</u> d/down (quark charges) is $-\frac{2}{3}(e)$ <b>or</b> s/strange (quark charge) is $-\frac{1}{3}(e)$	<b>C1</b>
	charge = $-\frac{1}{3}(e) - \frac{1}{3}(e) - \frac{1}{3}(e)$ $= -1(e)$	<b>A1</b>