

A Level OCR Physics

Chapter 10 Charge and current

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO Spec reference
1(a)(i)	ions		1	4.1.1 AO1
(ii)	electrons		1	4.1.1 AO1
(b)	$P = E/t$ $E = Pt$ or time = $2 \times 60 \times 60 = 7200$ s $E = 36 \times 7200 = 2.6 \times 10^4$ J	any for first mark	1 1	3.3.3 AO1
(c)	$Q = It$ $P = VI$ $I = P/V = 36/12 = 3$ A $Q = It = 3 \times 7200$ s = 21600 C or coulombs		1 1 1	4.1.1 4.2.5 AO2
2(a)	$I = \Delta Q/\Delta t$ $\Delta t = \Delta Q/I = 15$ C / 30 000 A = 5×10^{-4} s		1	4.1.1 AO1
(b)	number of electrons = $\Delta Q/\text{charge on 1 electron}$ Number of electrons = 15 C / 1.6×10^{-19} C = 9.4×10^{19}		1 1	4.1.1 AO2
(c)	$W = VQ = 40 \times 10^6 \times 15$ C = 6×10^8 J		1	4.2.2 AO2
(d)	Use of $E = mc\Delta\theta$ or $E = mL$ $E = (0.58 \times 830 \times 1800) + (0.58 \times 156000) = 9.6 \times 10^5$ J Yes 6×10^8 J \gg 9.6×10^5 J		1 1 1	5.1.3 AO3
3(a)	e $C = A$ s or n m^{-3} $I = nAve$ $= m^{-3} m^2 m s^{-1} C$ $= s^{-1} A s = A$	mark for either correct units for n or use of $Q = It$ Must see cancelling	1 1	2.1.2 AO2
(b)	As area increases the mean drift velocity decreases		1	4.1.2 AO2

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	$I = nAve$ Since the wires are made of the same material and connected in series I , n and e are constant (wtte) $v \propto 1/A$	Must have the statement about I , n and e are constant for subsequent mark A1	M1 A1	
(c)	$n = I/Ave$ $A = \pi r^2 = \pi (0.11 \times 10^{-3})^2$ $n = 3/\pi (0.11 \times 10^{-3})^2 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 4.9 \times 10^{-3}$ $n = 1 \times 10^{29}$		1 1	4.1.2 AO2
(d)	The resistance increases Max two from the following <ul style="list-style-type: none"> positive ions in the lattice vibrate with greater amplitudes free electrons have more collisions with positive ions more energy is transferred to the lattice 		1 Max 2	4.2.4 AO1
4(a)	$I = nAve$ and $A = 4 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$ $v = 1/nAe = 1/1.4 \times 10^{25} \times 4 \times 10^{-6} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ $v = 2.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m s}^{-1}$		1 1	4.1.2 AO1
(b)	$R = \rho l/A$ and ρ stays the same $R \propto l$ $R \propto 1/A$ so resistance stays the same		1 1	4.2.4 AO2
(c)	Student either calculates or appreciates that I same, n same and e same $v \propto 1/A$ so if A doubled $v = 1.1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m s}^{-1}$	Allow e.c.f. from 4.2 – if they think resistance has changed will be using a new current to determine the v	1 1	4.1.2 AO3
(d)	$I = nAve$ and I , A and e constant $v \propto 1/n$ so v smaller in the connecting wires (vice versa)		1 1	4.1.2 AO3

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5(a)	$Q = It = 2 \times 4 \times 60 = 480 \text{ C}$		1	4.1.1 AO1
(b)	$e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ $n \text{ of ions} = 480 / 1.6 \times 10^{-19} = 3 \times 10^{21}$		1 1	4.1.1 AO2
(c)	$m/ = 3 \times 10^{21} \times 1.79 \times 10^{-25} \text{ kg} = 5.37 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg.}$		1	4.1.1 AO2
(d)	$\rho = m/V$ $V = m/\rho \quad V = dA$ $d = m/A\rho = 5.37 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg} / (35 \times 10^{-4} \times 1.05 \times 10^4)$ depth = $1.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}$	use of $\rho = m/V$ or conversion of area to m^2	1 1 1	3.2.4 AO2
6(a)	A semiconductor is a material where the number of charge carrier/resistivity/ n /free electrons per unit volume/number density changes depending on the conditions.	names condition e.g. change temperature/light intensity /energy increase NOT half way between conductor and insulator	1	4.2.4 AO1
(b)	use of $R = \rho l/A$ or $A = \pi r^2 = \pi 0.038^2$ $R = 3000 \times 375 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m} / \pi 0.038^2 = 248 \Omega$		1 1	4.2.4 AO2
(c)	$V = IR$ $I = V/R = 0.4/248 = 1.6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ A}$	e.c.f	1	4.2.3 AO1
(d)	$I = nAve$ $v = I/nAe = 1.6 \times 10^{-3} / 8.7 \times 10^{15} \times \pi 0.038^2 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ $v = 260 (255) \text{ m s}^{-1}$		1 1	4.1.2 AO2
(e)	n would increase v would decrease		1 1	4.1.2 AO2

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7(a)	Current flowing into a junction/component is equal to the current flowing out. Law of conservation of charge		1	4.1.1
			1	AO1
(b)	Either $I = 0.4 + 0.3 = 0.7$ A or $t = 10 \times 60 = 600$ s $Q = It = 600 \times 0.7 = 420$ C		1	4.1.1
			1	AO2
(c)	0.6 A Current flowing out of X is 0.7 A therefore current flowing into Y must also be 0.7 A $(0.6 + 0.1) = 0.7$		1	4.1.1
			1	AO2
(d)	0.3 A downwards/from top branch to bottom		1	4.1.1
			1	AO2
8(a)	KE = $\frac{1}{2}mv^2$ 20 keV = $20\,000 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ C = 3.2×10^{-15} J $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = 3.2 \times 10^{-15}$ $v^2 = 2 \times 3.2 \times 10^{-15} / 9.11 \times 10^{-31}$ $v = 8.4 \times 10^7$ m s ⁻¹	either statement for this mark	1	4.2.2
			1	AO2
(b)	$v = d/t$ and $d = 4.22 \times 10^8/t$ $t = 4.22 \times 10^8 / 8.4 \times 10^7 = 5.0$ s	e.c.f	1	3.1.1 AO2
(c)	$Q = It$ $ne = 3 \times 10^6$ A \times 1 $n = 3 \times 10^6 / 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ $n = 1.9 \times 10^{25}$		1	4.1.1
			1	AO2
(d)	From Jupiter to Io		1	4.1.1 AO1