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**YEAR 12**

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**Time allowed for this paper**

Reading time before commencing work: ten minutes

Working time for paper: three hours

**Materials required/recommended for this paper**

***To be provided by the supervisor***

Question/Answer Booklet

Formulae and Constants Sheet

***To be provided by the candidate***

Standard items: pens, pencils, eraser, correction fluid, ruler, highlighters

Special items: non-programmable calculators satisfying the conditions set by the Curriculum Council for this course.

**Important note to candidates**

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**Structure of this paper**

Section	Number of questions available	Number of questions to be answered	Suggested working time (minutes)	Marks available	Percentage of exam
Section One: Short Answers	14	14	50	54	30%
Section Two: Problem-Solving	7	7	90	90	50%
Section Three: Comprehension	1	1	40	36	20%
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**Instructions to candidates**

1. Write your answers in this Question/Answer Booklet
2. Working or reasoning should be clearly shown when calculating or estimating answers.
3. You must be careful to confine your responses to the specific questions asked and to follow any instructions that are specific to a particular question.

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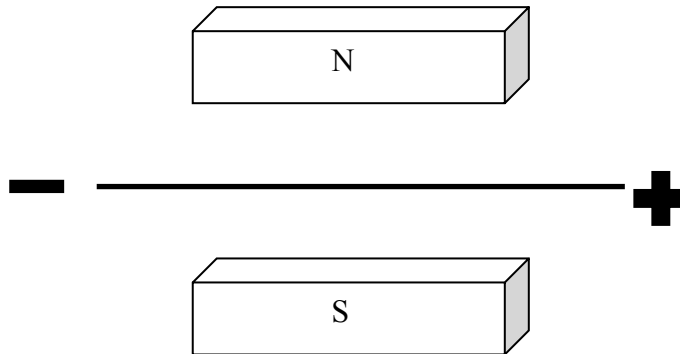
**Section One: Short Response**

This section has **fourteen (14)** questions. Answer **all** questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

Suggested working time for this section is **50 minutes**.

**Question 1****(2 marks)**

The diagram below shows the view a student has of a physics demonstration, in which a length of wire is connected in a DC circuit (not shown). When a switch is closed, the circuit is complete.



- (a) Which way will the wire move relative to the student?

(1 mark)

- (b) How could the student make the wire move in the opposite direction?

(1 mark)

**Question 2****(3 marks)**

The maximum acceleration a pilot can withstand without blacking out is  $a = 6g$ . How tight a turn can a fighter pilot make if he is travelling at Mach 3 ( $1020 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ )?

**Question 3****(4 marks)**

On this diagram of the Earth below, sketch the Earth's magnetic field, indicating the location of the magnetic and geographic poles and their polarity.



**Question 4****(5 marks)**

A boy is spinning a yoyo above his head so that it flies in a horizontal path, at a constant speed. The yoyo has a mass of 125 g, and the length of string it is attached to is 52.0 cm long. It completes one revolution in  $1.25 \times 10^{-1}$  s.

(a) Is the yoyo's velocity constant? Explain your answer.

(2 marks)

(b) Calculate the magnitude of the centripetal force acting on the yoyo.

(3 marks)

**Question 5****(3 marks)**

A ball is swung in a vertical circle on the end of a piece of string. When is the string most likely to break. Explain your reasoning.

**Question 6****(4 marks)**

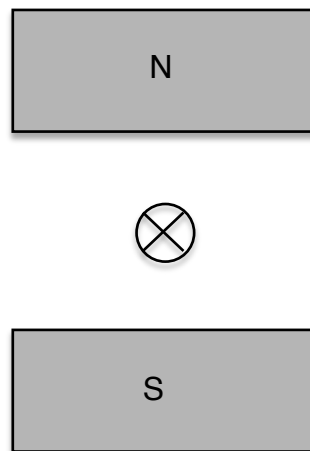
Estimate the **minimum** magnitude of the force of wind required to blow the truck over. Assume the truck has a mass of 2.00 tonne

**(4 marks)****Wind 2, trucks 0**

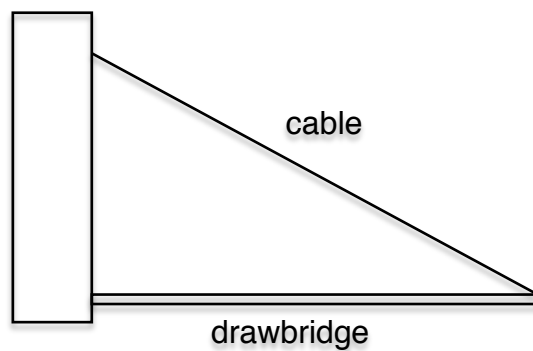
Two trucks lie on their side on a bridge at Toyama city, western Japan, on April 3, 2012, after a typhoon-like spring storm brought strong gusts and heavy rains to Japan, causing traffic chaos. Meteorologists urged the public to stay indoors if possible. (AFP: Jiji Press)

**Question 7****(2 marks)**

Sketch the resultant magnetic field for the diagram below;

**Question 8****(3 marks)**

Otto has been tasked with pulling up the drawbridge to close the castle. As he pulls on the cable, see diagram below, he finds that his task becomes easier and easier. Provide an explanation for Otto's observation.





**Question 9****(4 marks)**

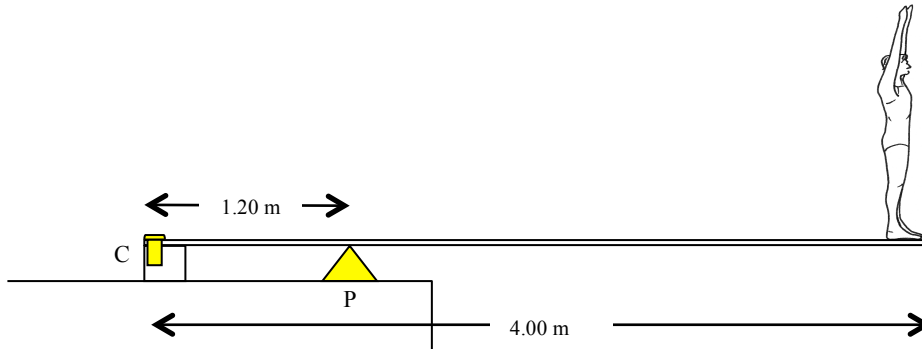
A 4.50 kg mass is given an initial velocity of  $14.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  up an incline that makes an angle of  $37.0^\circ$  with the horizontal. When its displacement is 8.00 m, its upwards velocity has diminished to  $5.20 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . What is the frictional force between the mass and the plane?

**Question 10****(4 marks)**

Explain why it is not possible for the iron in the centre of the Earth to be the cause of its magnetic field. Make reference to the domain theory of magnetism in your answer.

**Question 11****(7 marks)**

A springboard diver with a mass of 62.5 kg is standing on the end of a diving board as shown below. The springboard has a mass of 120 kg. A clamp at C holds the end of the board in place.



Assume that the springboard is uniform and rigid (does not bend).

- (a) On the diagram, use arrows to show the direction of the forces on the board due to the pivot point (P) and the clamp (C).

(2 marks)

- (b) Calculate the magnitudes of the forces acting on the clamp (C) and the pivot point (P) when the diver is standing on the end of the board.

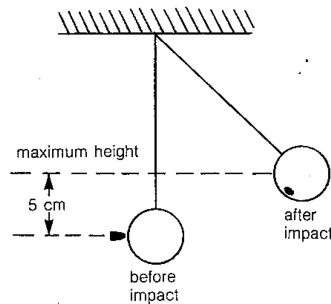
(5 marks)

**Question 12****(4 marks)**

A current of 30.0 A flows up a 5.00 m vertical power pole. The power pole is located in Perth where the magnetic field is  $5.50 \times 10^{-5}$  T at  $66.0^\circ$  to the horizontal. Determine the force acting on the power line due to the Earth's magnetic field.

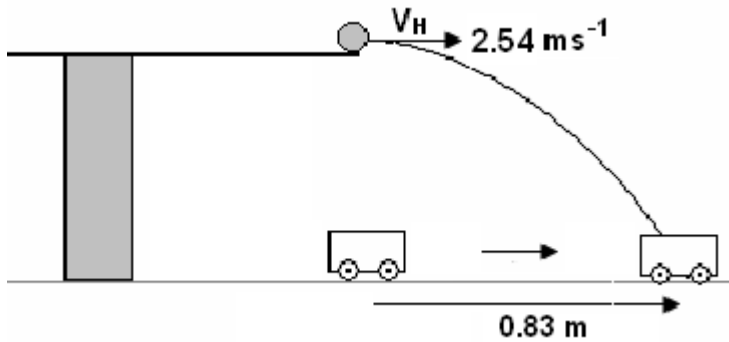
**Question 13****(4 marks)**

The velocity of a bullet is to be determined using a ballistic pendulum. A bullet of mass 20.0 g is fired horizontally towards the centre of the bob of a stationary pendulum of 9.98 kg. If the centre of the bob moves through a vertical height of 5.00 cm before it comes to rest, calculate the speed of the bullet before impact.



**Question 14****(5 marks)**

Young Johnny and his brother Sam are playing a new game. Johnny rolls a large ball bearing along the top of a table with a constant speed of  $2.54 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  while his brother pushes a small trolley along the ground below. The idea of the game is to get the ball bearing to land in the trolley after leaving the table. This occurs when the trolley and the ball are in the position shown and the trolley is released  $0.83 \text{ m}$  away from where it will catch the ball bearing. Calculate the height of the table.

**(5 marks)****End of Section One**

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**Section Two: Problem-Solving**

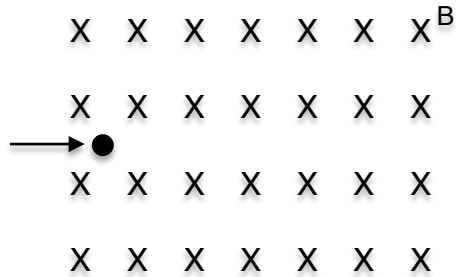
This section has **seven (7)** questions. Answer **all** questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

Suggested working time for this section is **90 minutes**.

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**Question 1****(11 marks)**

A particle of charge  $-12.0 \times 10^{-18} \text{ C}$  enters a uniform magnetic field of magnitude  $1.60 \text{ mT}$  with a velocity of  $5.00 \times 10^6 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  as shown in the figure below. The charged particle has a mass of  $6.83 \times 10^{-28} \text{ kg}$ .



- (a) Calculate the magnitude of the force on the charge.

(3 marks)

- (b) Annotate the diagram above to show the direction of the force on the charge.

(1 mark)

- (c) Determine the radius of the path of the particle.

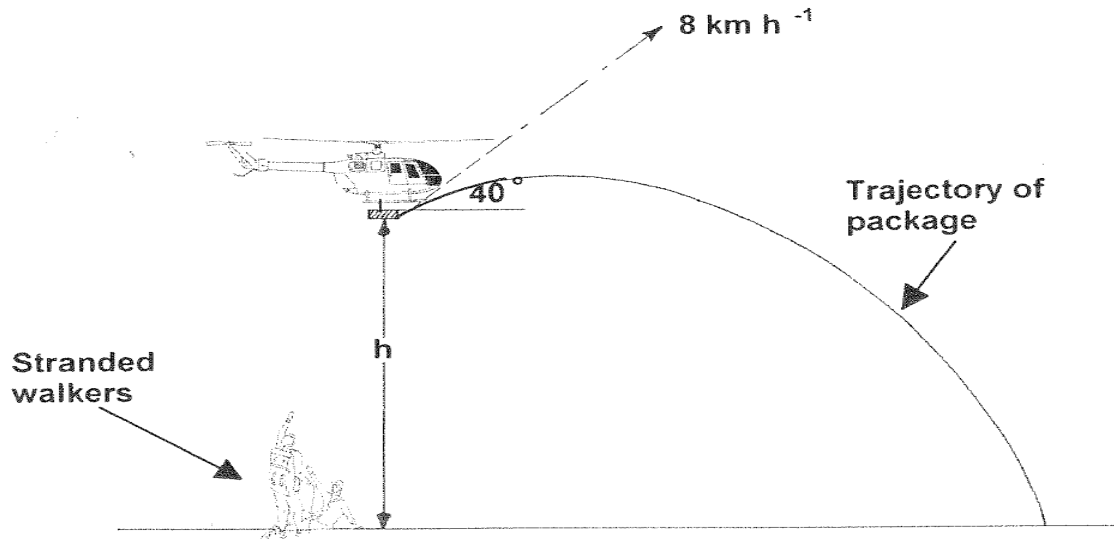
(4 marks)

(d) Explain why the particle will move in a circular path.

(4 marks)

**Question 2****(15 marks)**

A helicopter is required to drop emergency equipment to a group of walkers stranded in rugged bushland. A package is released from the helicopter at an altitude ( $h$ ) directly above the group. The helicopter is moving with a velocity of  $8.00 \text{ km h}^{-1}$  at an angle of  $40.0^\circ$  above the horizontal when the package is released. The package lands on the ground  $2.50 \text{ s}$  after being released.



- (a) Calculate the value of  $h$ .

(5 marks)



- (b) If the helicopter continues to fly with its initial velocity, calculate the distance between the helicopter and the package at the instant the package hits the ground.

(3 marks)

- (c) Determine the speed of the package at the instant the package hits the ground.

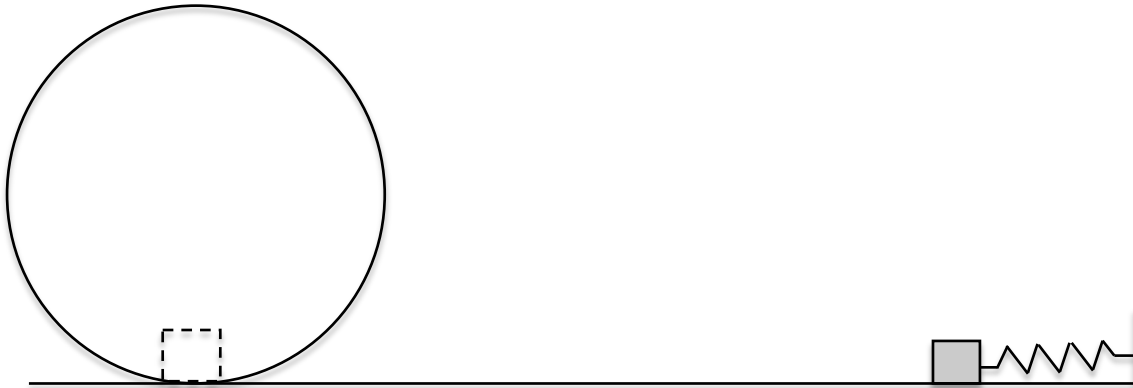
(4 marks)

- (d) If the helicopter was travelling horizontally at the same speed ( $8.00\text{kmh}^{-1}$ ) and height ( $h$ ) when it released the package, would you expect the package to land closer or further away from the group? Explain your answer.

(3 marks)

**Question 3****(10 marks)**

A block of mass 0.500 kg is pushed against a horizontal spring. The energy stored in the spring is equal to 36.0 J. When released, the block travels along a frictionless, horizontal surface to point B, the bottom of a vertical circular track of diameter 3.00 m, as shown below.



(a) What is the initial speed of the block?

(3 marks)

(b) What is the speed of the block at the top of the circular track?

(3 marks)

- (c) Will the block reach the top of the circular track? Justify your answer by making reference to appropriate calculation/s.

(4 marks)

**Question 4****(11 marks)**

A rocket booster enabled satellite of mass 1250 kg, including fuel, is in Earth orbit at an altitude of  $6.30 \times 10^2$  km.

(a) Calculate the speed of the satellite.

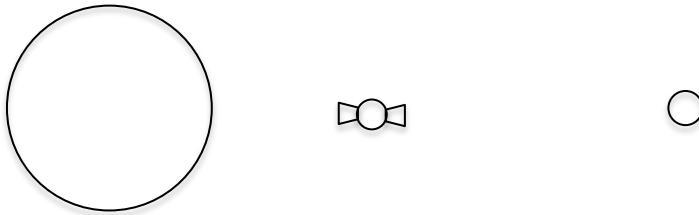
(4 marks)

(b) What is the orbital period of the satellite?

(3 marks)

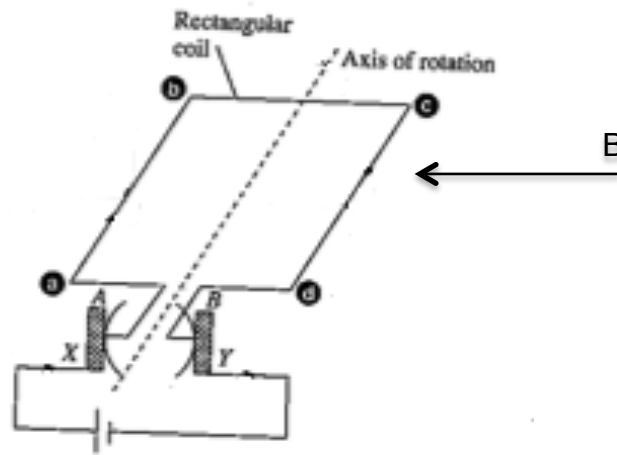
- (c) At a certain point in its orbit, the satellite is directly between the moon and the Earth, as shown in the diagram below (diagram is **not** to scale). Determine the net force on the satellite at this point.

(4 marks)



**Question 5****(15 marks)**

A DC commutator motor consists of a rectangular coil of 225 turns and area  $0.45 \text{ m}^2$  in a uniform magnetic field of  $0.21 \text{ T}$ . A current of  $376 \mu\text{A}$  flows through the coil.



- (a) Draw arrows on the diagram above to show the forces on the sides of the motor.

(1 mark)

- (b) What is the magnitude of the force on the side 'cd'?

(3 marks)

- (c) What is the maximum torque on the coil?

(4 marks)

- (d) On the axes below, sketch the torque as the coil is rotated through one complete revolution (from the starting point shown above). Assume that clockwise torque is positive and that one revolution takes 1.00 s.

(2 marks)



- (e) Explain, with the aid of a suitable diagram, why the torque varies.

(3 marks)

- (f) Explain why a split-ring commutator is necessary in a DC motor.

(2 marks)

**Question 6****(13 marks)**

Totem tennis was a fun family activity, popular in the 1970s and 1980s. It involved hitting a tennis ball which was tethered to a pole (the totem), as shown in the diagram below.



Assume the tennis ball has a mass of 250 g and is attached to the totem by a 1.20 m long cord which makes an angle of  $40^\circ$  with the vertical.

- (a) Draw a freebody diagram showing all the forces acting on the tennis ball

(2 marks)

- (b) Determine the tension in the cord.

(3 marks)



(c) Determine the speed of the ball

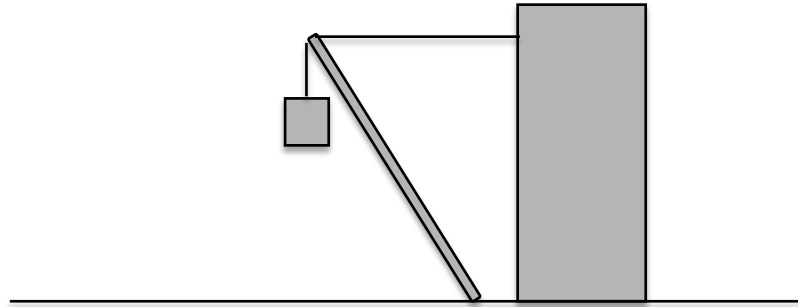
(4 marks)

(d) An expert tennis player will be able to hit the ball with a larger speed. What would happen to the radius of the tennis ball and the tension in the cord? Explain your reasoning.

(4 marks)

**Question 7****(15 marks)**

A uniform beam, of mass 40.0 kg and length 2.50 m, is inclined at an angle of  $35.0^\circ$  to the horizontal with its upper end supported by a horizontal rope tied to a wall and its lower end resting on a rough floor, as shown in the diagram below. A box hangs from the end of the beam.



- (a) On the diagram above draw in **all** the forces acting **on the beam**.  
[Hint, if the beam were to slip, it would slip to the right] (3 marks)
- (b) Use Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> Law to write formulae for the horizontal and vertical forces acting on the system. (4 marks)
- (c) If the maximum friction that can be supplied between the beam and the floor is 420 N determine the maximum weight of box that can be suspended before the beam slips. (4 marks)

(d) Determine the reaction force between the floor and the beam

(4 marks)

**End of Section Two**

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**Section Three: Comprehension**

This section has **one (1)** question. Answer **all** questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

Suggested working time for this section is **40 minutes**.

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**Question 1****(36 marks)****The Discovery of the Electron**

In 1897 Joseph John (J. J) Thomson discovered the first 'elementary particle' – the electron.

A favourite pastime among physicists at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century was to amuse themselves with 'Crookes Tubes' (named after their inventor, Sir William Crookes). Crookes tubes were sealed glass tubes from which most of the air had been evacuated and into which electrodes (flat pieces of metal) had been inserted at each end. When a high voltage was placed between the cathode (negative electrode) and the anode (positive electrode), the tube would light up. If a metal object were inserted between the electrodes, its shadow would be cast against the anode end of the tube by the 'cathode rays' that were emitted by the cathode, see Figure 1. The Crookes Tube or cathode ray tube as they came to be known became the main component of the television set.

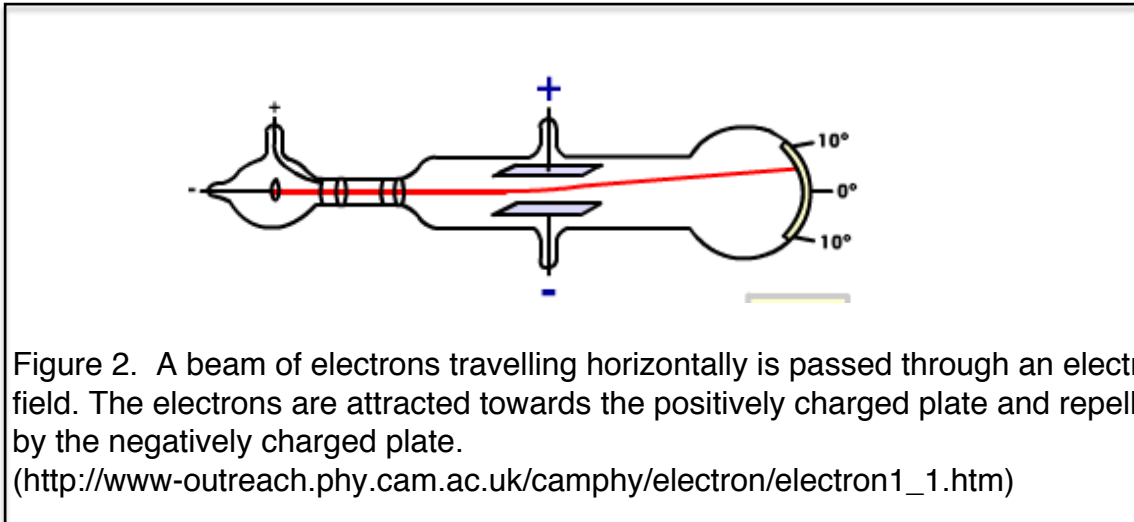


Figure 1 – An illuminated Crookes Tube. The metal 'Maltese Cross' in the centre of the tube is casting a shadow on the anode at the rear of the tube. ([http://www-outreach.phy.cam.ac.uk/camphy/electron/electron1\\_1.htm](http://www-outreach.phy.cam.ac.uk/camphy/electron/electron1_1.htm))

J.J Thomson noticed that these cathode rays could be deflected by both electric and magnetic fields. That meant the rays consisted of charged particles. Thomson determined that they were 'negative corpuscles', i.e. negatively charged particles.

In an ingenious experiment he measured the charge to mass ratio of this corpuscle. Because the value was not zero or infinity it meant that the particle had a definite charge and definite mass (although Thomson's experiment could not give them individually).

Thomson found that he could deflect the cathode rays in an electric field produced by a pair of metal plates. One of the plates was negatively charged and repelled the cathode rays, while the other was positively charged and attracted them. Thomson's experimental setup is shown in Figure 2.



Thomson was able to measure the amount of vertical deflection after the electron had passed through the plates, but he did not know what the initial speed of the electrons was.

A current in a coil of wire produces a magnetic field. Two coils arranged as a Helmholtz pair, see Figure 3, will produce a uniform magnetic field.





A beam of charged particles passing through the magnetic field will be bent at right angles to the field in a circular arc or a complete circle. In his tube, Thomson positioned the coils so that the deflection was in the opposite direction to the deflection produced by the electric field. By adjusting the strengths of the electric and magnetic fields the rays could be deflected, in one direction by the electric field and back in an equal amount by the magnetic field. The forces were balanced – this enabled Thomson to determine their initial velocity (i.e their velocity as they entered the plate region).

- (a) Show that the velocity of an electron entering the plate region is given by

$$v = \frac{E}{B} \quad (2 \text{ marks})$$

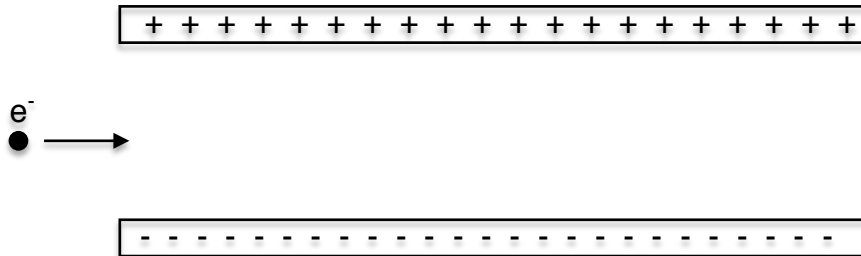
- (b) Why do the magnetic field and electric fields need to be at right angles to each other?

(3 marks)

By turning off the magnetic field, Thomson could measure the angle of deflection of the cathode rays in the electric field alone.

- (c) Draw in the electric field on the diagram below and indicate the direction of the force on the electron.

(2 marks)



- (d) If the plates are 8.00 mm apart and a potential difference of 2.00 kV is applied between the plates, determine the magnitude of the electric field between the plate and the magnitude of the force on the electron.

(5 marks)

- (e) Show that acceleration experienced by a charged particle in the field is given by

$$a = \frac{qE}{m}$$

(2 marks)

If the length of the plates is denoted 'd', and the initial (horizontal) velocity of the electrons ' $v_h$ ' the time taken for an electron to pass through the plates will be given by,  $t = \frac{v_h}{d}$ .

- (f) What is the vertical component of the electron's velocity as it leaves the plate area?

(2 marks)

- (h) Draw a vector diagram showing the horizontal and vertical components of the electron's velocity and use it to show that:  $\tan \theta = \frac{qEd}{mv_h^2}$ , where  $\theta$  is the angle the electron is deflected through.

(3 marks)

Some typical results for Thomson's experiment are given below:

$$d = 0.05 \text{ m}$$

E (Vm <sup>-1</sup> )	B (μT)	θ°		$E/v^2$ ( $\times 10^{-12}$ )
2880	120	1.6		5.00
5400	180	3.0		6.00
10080	312	5.6		9.66
16920	576	9.4		19.6
20880	696	11.6		23.2

- (i) Process the data in the table above so that you are able to plot a graph of

$$\tan \theta \text{ vs } \frac{E}{v_h^2}$$

You will also need to complete the units for one column.

(2 marks)

- (j) Plot a graph of  $\tan \theta$  vs  $\frac{E}{v_h^2}$  on the graph paper on page 35.

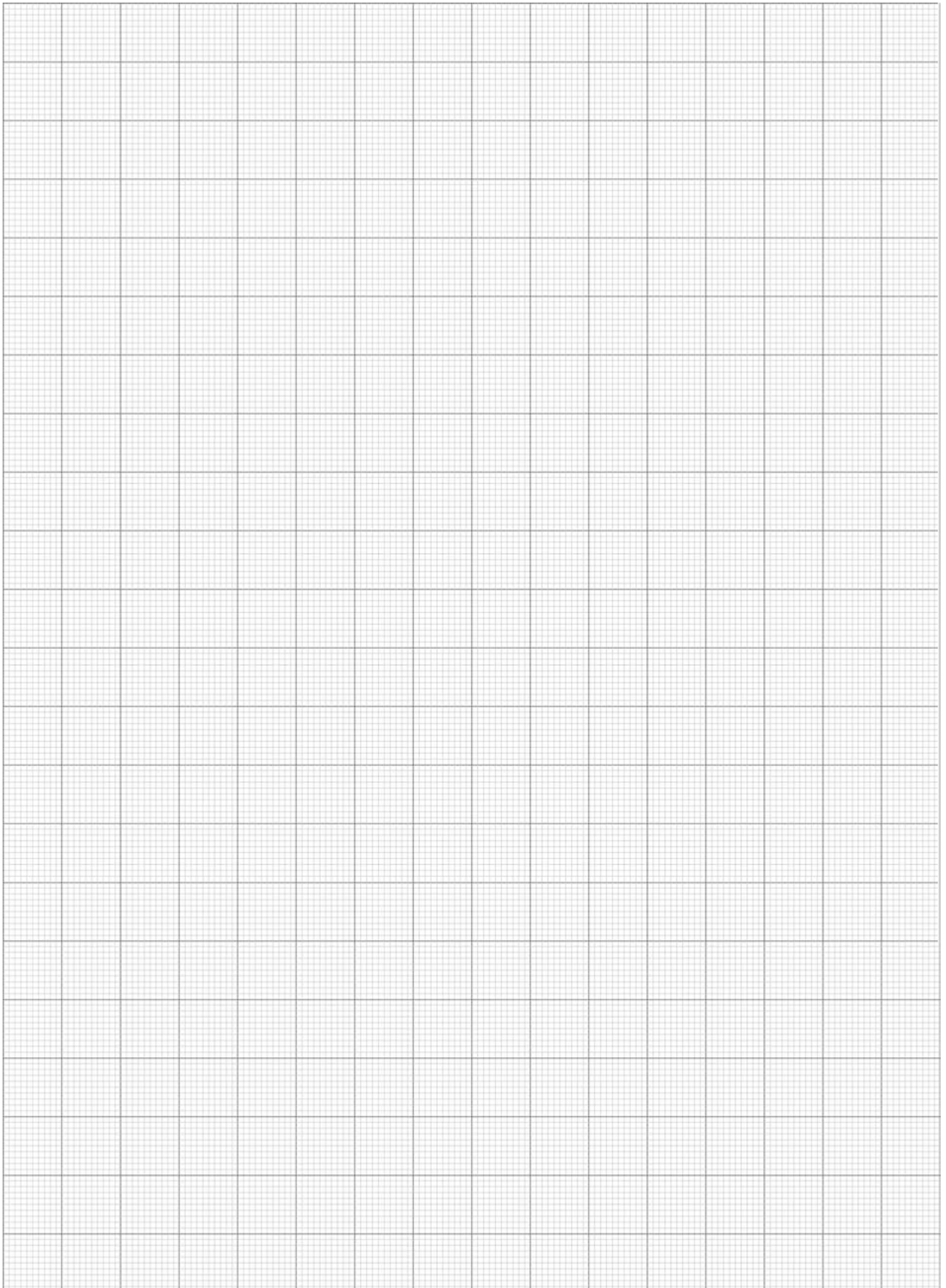
(5 marks)

- (k) Determine the gradient of your graph.

(3 marks)

- (l) Use the gradient of your graph to determine a value for the charge to mass ratio for an electron.

(3 marks)



- (m) Use the values on your data sheet to determine the currently accepted charge to mass ratio for an electron.

(2 marks)

Thomson also measured the charge to mass ratio for hydrogen ions. Hydrogen ions were particles that had all the same properties as hydrogen atoms except that, while an electric field did not deflect the atoms, it deflected the ions in an opposite direction to the 'negative corpuscles'. This meant the hydrogen ions were positively charged. Also the  $q/m$  ratio of the negative particles seemed to be about 1000 times larger than the  $q/m$  ratio of the hydrogen ion. Assuming the charges were the same, the new particle must be 1000 times lighter than hydrogen. The conclusion was that the atom was no longer the smallest entity. Thomson had discovered the first sub-atomic particle, which soon became known as the electron.

- (n) Discuss change in gradient for a hydrogen ion if the initial velocity is the same and the length of the plates.

(2 marks)

**End of Section Three**

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