



# **A-Level Physics**

## **Bulk Properties of Solids**

### **Mark Scheme**

**Time available: 84 minutes**

**Marks available: 60 marks**

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## Mark schemes

1.

- (a) Centripetal force acts inwards / towards the centre of rotation ✓

Links reaction force to centripetal force ✓

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- (b) Equates forces AND states **either** centripetal force with correct symbols ✓

$$F = m_A r \omega^2$$

$$F = m_B (L - r) \omega^2$$

*In MP1 condone: equations containing  $v$ ; use of  $\omega_A$  and  $\omega_B$  for the angular velocities.*

cancelling  $\omega$  ✓

$$m_A r \omega^2 = m_B (L - r) \omega^2$$

$$r = \frac{m_B L}{m_A + m_B}$$

*E.g.*

*In MP2 it must be clear that the angular velocity and not the velocity.*

2

- (c) The angular speed is the same for A & B or

Rotational radius for B less than that for A ✓

Both of these points AND  $v = r\omega$  so velocity of A is greater. ✓

*Alternative for MP2:*

*Both of points in MP1 AND*

*A travels greater distance in the same time.*

2

- (d) Use of safety factor e.g. maximum stress  $\ll 0.300 \text{ GPa}$  ✓

$$F = ma = 1.32 \times 10^6 \times 3.7 \checkmark (= 4.9 \times 10^6 \text{ N})$$

$$A = \frac{F}{\sigma} \text{ valid substitution } \checkmark$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{4.1}{\pi}} \checkmark \text{ (expect } > 0.144 \text{ m)}$$

Valid justification for selection of maximum stress used e.g. using a stress that is from the linear / elastic section of the graph or reference to either safety factor or trying to limit weight of cable. ✓

*Alternative for MP1: they can work through for a stress of 0.3 GPa and then increase the diameter, if justified as a safety factor. Do not allow use of stress  $\approx 0.3 \text{ GPa}$  for full marks.*

*Allow ecf for stress and force*

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2.

- (a) Substitution of data in  $Y = \frac{FL}{AE}$

$$3.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (m)} \checkmark$$

*2 marks can be awarded if 4mm used to show  $T > 500 \text{ N}$  provided an explanation is provided, otherwise award zero.*

2

- (b)  $(500 = T \cos 65)$

$$T = 1200 \text{ N } \checkmark$$

1

- (c) Wind produces a wave / disturbance that travels along the wire ✓

Wave is reflected at each end / waves travel in opposite directions ✓

(Incident and reflected) waves interfere / superpose ✓

Only certain frequencies since fixed ends have to be nodes. ✓

4

- (d) Mass per m of the wire =  $0.14(2) \text{ kg}$  ✓

1

(e) Use of  $f = \frac{1}{2l} \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}}$  ( $= 2.47$ ) to find fundamental

$$\text{(or } f = \frac{3}{2l} \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}} \text{)}$$

Third harmonic = 7.4 (Hz) ✓

*The second mark is for multiplying the fundamental frequency by 3  
– allow ecf*

2

(f) Diagram showing three approximately equally spaced loops

*Condone single line*

1

(g) Copper may be stretched beyond elastic limit / may deform plastically ✓

Permanent deformation / Does not return to original length ✓

*Allow 'will remain longer than original' or 'will be permanently deformed'*

2

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3.

(a) EITHER

calculate value for constant using two calculations ✓

calculate value for constant using three calculations and make a comment that they have same value ✓

*need to see table to look for any working*

OR

calculate ratio between masses and  $\sqrt{T}$  for one pair of values ✓

calculate ratio between masses and  $\sqrt{T}$  for two pairs of values and make comment about same value ✓

$$\text{e.g. } 0.5/0.8 = \sqrt{110}/140$$

OR

work out constant and use to predict one other frequency or mass ✓

work out constant and use to predict two other frequencies or mass ✓

*no comment needed with this alternative*

2

(b)  $\mu = \rho A = 1150 \times \pi(5.0 \times 10^{-4}/2)^2$

$\mu = 2.258 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (kg m}^{-1}\text{)} \checkmark$

use of consistent  $m$  and  $f$  Substituted in  $f = \frac{1}{2l} \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}}$  including  $g$  but

condone powers of 10 error  $\checkmark$

*Award second mark if  $T$  and  $f$  substituted correctly (ignore  $\mu$ )*

$0.67 \text{ m} \checkmark$

*If used diameter for radius incorrectly then lose first mark but can get third mark (answer 0.335 m)*

3

(c) appreciation of reducing diameter when string is stretched.  $\checkmark$

lower mass per unit length so (constant of proportionality and hence) frequency is higher (than would be predicted)  $\checkmark$

2

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4.

(a) P at the end of linear section  $\checkmark$

1

(b) Measure original length and diameter  $\checkmark$

1

Determine gradient of linear section to obtain  $F / \text{extension} \checkmark$

1

$$E = \frac{F}{e} \times \frac{\text{length}}{\pi \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^2} \checkmark$$

1

*Alternative:*

*Convert to stress–strain graph and determine gradient.*

(c) Line from A

Parallel to straight section of original

Ending at horizontal axis  $\checkmark$

1

(d) Plastic deformation has produced permanent extension / re-alignment of bonds in material hence intercept non-zero  $\checkmark$

1

Gradient is same because after extension identical forces between bonds  $\checkmark$

1

(e) 0.2% is a strain of 0.002

$$\text{Stress} = 2.0 \times 10^{11} \times 0.002 =$$

$$4 \times 10^8 \checkmark$$

$$\text{Force} \left( = \frac{\pi (6 \times 10^{-3})^2}{4} \times 4 \times 10^8 \right) \checkmark$$

$$= 11.3 \text{ kN } \checkmark$$

(f) Maximum force = 11300 N

$$\text{Weight of mass} = 600 \times 9.81 = 5886 \text{ N } \checkmark$$

Accelerating force must be less than

$$11300 - 5886 = 5423 \text{ N } \checkmark$$

$$a (= F / m = 5423 / 600)$$

$$= 9.0 \text{ m s}^{-2} \checkmark$$

(g) To lift double the load at the same acceleration, would require double the force,  $\checkmark$

*The first mark is for discussing the effect on the force*

To produce the same strain either use:

- double the diameter of wire – so the stress stays the same and therefore the strain is the same for the same wire,  $\checkmark$
- a wire with double the Young modulus – so that double the stress produces the same strain for the same diameter.  $\checkmark$

*The other two are for discussing the two alternative methods of keeping the strain the same*

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**5.**

(a) tensile stress is the force exerted per/over cross sectional area  $\checkmark$

*can use equation but must define terms*

tensile strain is the extension per/over original length  $\checkmark$

*NOT compared to*

(b) material is brittle ✓

*2<sup>nd</sup> mark dependent on first*

1

shown on graph by little or no of plastic behaviour OR by linear behaviour/straight line to breaking stress ✓

OR

material has high Young modulus OR material is stiff ✓

shown on graph by large gradient/steep line (compared to other materials) ✓

1

(c) area =  $\pi \times (1.5 \times 10^{-4})^2/4 = 1.77 \times 10^{-8}$  ✓

1

tensile force =  $1.77 \times 10^{-8}$  ✓

1

= 23 (N) ✓

1

*if use diameter as radius -1*

*if use incorrect formula ( $d^2 2\pi r$  etc. -2)*

*range 22.5 – 24*

*power of ten error -1*

*if calculated area incorrectly get following answers*

*diameter as radius = 92 (2 marks)*

*$d^2 = 7.3$  (1 mark)*

*$2\pi r = 610\ 000$  (1 mark)*

*if use d for area then zero*

(d) **The mark scheme gives some guidance as to what statements are expected to be seen in a 1 or 2 mark (L1), 3 or 4 mark (L2) and 5 or 6 mark (L3) answer. Guidance provided in section 3.10 of the ‘Mark Scheme Instructions’ document should be used to assist marking this question.**

### **Level 3**

Correct materials selected for **each** application (B/C for lift and D for bungee). One reason for choices given for **each** application and explanation why at least one other material would be rejected for **each** application.

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Correct materials selected for **each** application (B/C for lift and D for bungee). One reason for choices given for **each** application and explanation why at least one other material would be rejected for **one** application.

5

*The student presents relevant information coherently, employing structure, style and sp&g to render meaning clear. The text is legible.*

**Level 2**

Correct material selected for **one** application (B/C for lift and D for bungee). **One** reason for choice given for one application and explanation why at least one other material would be rejected for **one** application.

4

Correct material selected for **one** application (B/C for lift and D for bungee). **One** reason for choices given application.

OR

Correct materials selected for **each** application (B/C for lift and D for bungee). One reason for choices given for **each** application

3

*The student presents relevant information and in a way which assists the communication of meaning. The text is legible. Sp&g are sufficiently accurate not to obscure meaning.*

**Level 1**

No correct material selected but at least **two** properties necessary for an application given.

2

No correct material selected but at least **one** property necessary for an application given.

1

*The student presents some relevant information in a simple form. The text is usually legible. Sp&g allow meaning to be derived although errors are sometimes obstructive.*

**Level 0**

No correct material selected and no properties necessary for an application given

*The student's presentation, spelling and grammar seriously obstruct understanding.*

0

*The following statements may be present for cable supporting a lift*  
*material B/C is used for the lift because it has a high breaking*  
*stress and a high Young modulus*  
*material A not chosen because lower breaking stress*  
*material A not chosen because fails without warning*  
*material C not chosen because has a lower breaking stress*  
*material D not chosen as larger increase in strain for a given*  
*increase in stress*  
*material D not chosen as low breaking stress.*  
*material D a given stress produces a large strain meaning large*  
*extension*



*The following statements may be present for rope or cable used for bungee jump*

*material D chosen as due large strain for given stress  
time taken to come to rest lengthens*

*material D is chosen because D can store a large amount of energy  
before failure*

*not A ,B or C because high Young Modulus so sudden stop  
resulting in large forces*

*not A as brittle and therefore limited strain and sudden failure*

*not C because requires a large strain before plastic behaviour*

*not C because if behaves plastically will not return to original length*

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