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Paper 2

(Theory)

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Instructions to candidates

- Write your **name, index number, class** and **school** in the spaces provided above.
- Sign** and **Write** the date of Examination in the spaces provided above.
- This paper consists of **two** sections; **A** and **B**.
- Answer **all** the questions in section **A** and **B** in the spaces provided.
- All working **must** be clearly shown.
- Silent non-programmable** electronic calculators may be used.
- Candidates should answer the questions in **English**.

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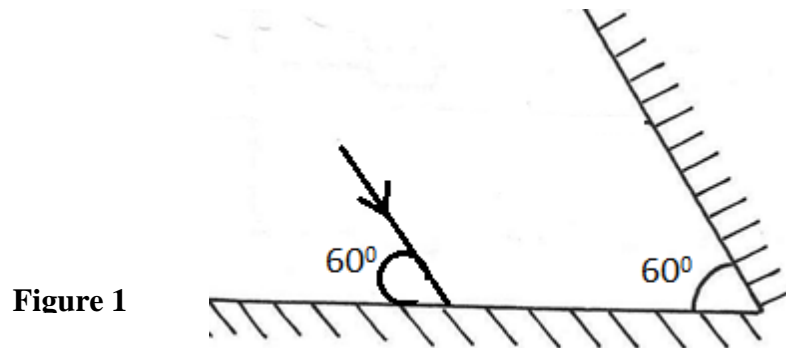
SECTION	QUESTIONS	MAXIMUM SCORE	CANDIDATE'S SCORE
A	1-13	25	
B	14	11	
	15	12	
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	18	10	
TOTAL SCORE		80	

This paper consists of 12 printed pages. Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.

SECTION A (25 MARKS)

Answer all questions in this section

1. **Figure 1** shows two mirrors inclined at an angle of 60° to each other. A ray of light is shown incident on one of the mirrors.



Sketch on the diagram, the path of the ray until it leaves the two mirrors. (1 mark)

2. One of the safe ways of storing magnets is by use of **keepers**. Explain how the keepers safeguard the magnets. (2 marks)

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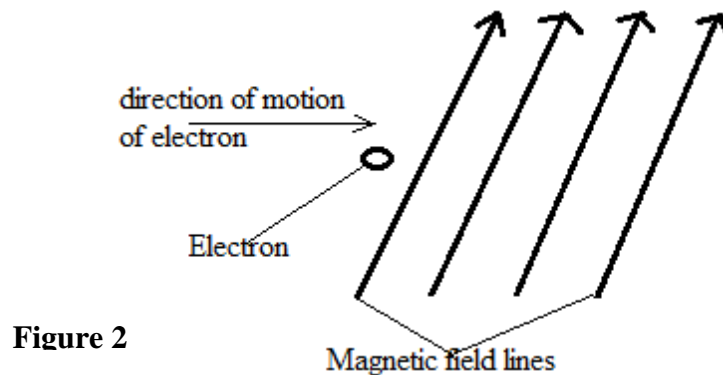
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3.

- a) **Figure 2** below shows an electron moving in a magnetic field in the direction shown.

Sketch the path followed by the electron as it moves in the magnetic field. (1 mark)



- b) State one way of increasing the strength of an electromagnet. (1mark)

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4. Give one similarity and one difference between virtual images formed by plane mirrors and concave mirrors. (2 marks)

Similarity

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Difference

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5. **Figure 3** below shows a displacement – time graph of a progressive wave

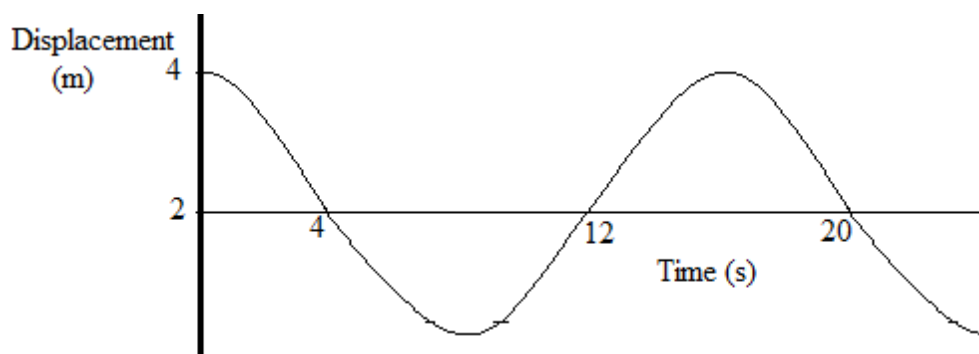


Figure 3

State its amplitude (1 mark)

6. Explain how a simple cell works. (3 marks)

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7. In a dark room, a small hole on the roof forms a larger image on the floor. State the property of light illustrated by this observation. (1 mark)

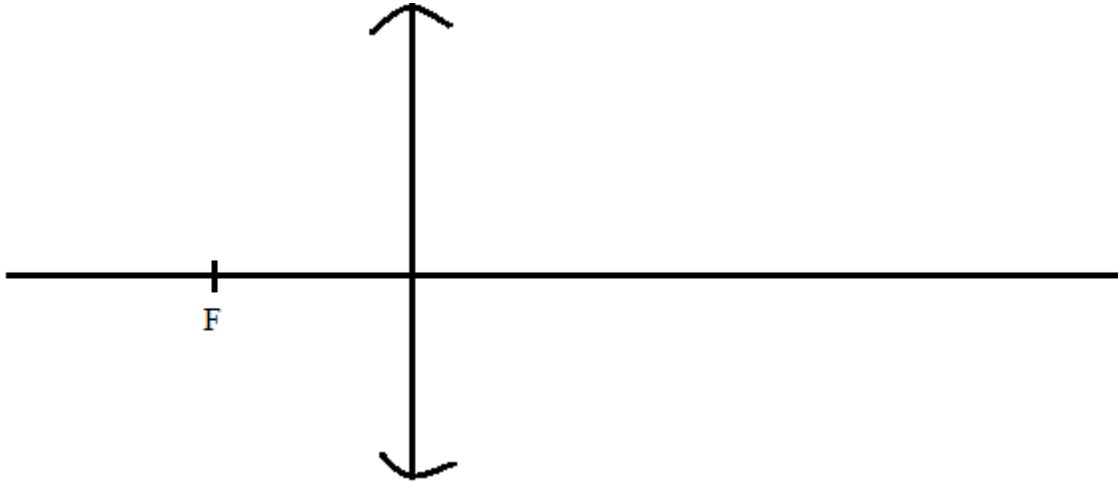
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8. State **two** conditions necessary for total internal reflection to occur. (2 marks)

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9. The figure below shows a converging lens whose focal point F is marked.



An object is placed in front of the lens such that a real magnified image is formed by the lens. Sketch on the same diagram rays to represent this. (3 marks)

10. A leaf electroscope A is charged and placed on the bench. Another uncharged leaf electroscope B is placed on the same bench and moved close to A until the caps touch. State and explain what is observed on the leaves of A and B. (2 marks)

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11. An electric heater rated 240V, 3000W is to be connected to a 240V mains supply, through a 10A fuse. Determine whether the fuse is suitable or not. (2 marks)

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12. **Figure 4** shows two parallel plates of capacitors connected to a battery. Plate A is displaced slightly upwards.

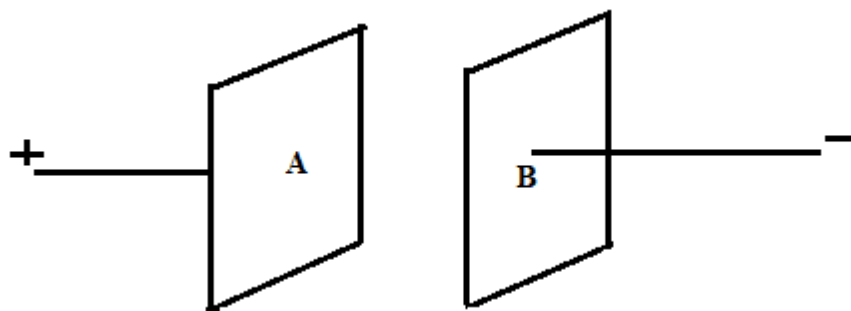


Figure 4

State with reason the effect of this displacement on the capacitance.

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13. **Figure 5** below shows a plotting compass placed between two strong magnets, the tip of the arrow represents the north pole of the compass;

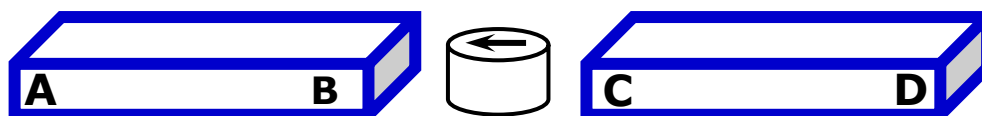


Figure 5

- What is the polarity of end C of the magnet? (1 mark)
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- Draw the set-up of the magnets as seen from **figure 5** above and sketch the magnetic field lines in the region between B and C. (1 mark)

SECTION B (55 MARKS)**Answer all questions in this section**

14.

- (a) State three factors that affect the capacitance of a parallel plate capacitor. (3 marks)

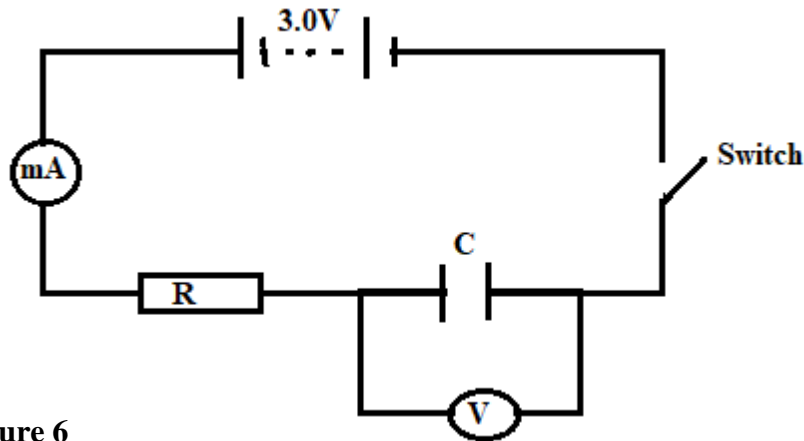
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- (b)
- Figure 6**
- below shows the circuit used to charge a capacitor C.

**Figure 6**

State what would be observed on the following:

- (i) The milliammeter (1 mark)

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- (ii) The voltmeter (1 mark)

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- (iii) Explain how the capacitor gets charged. (3 marks)

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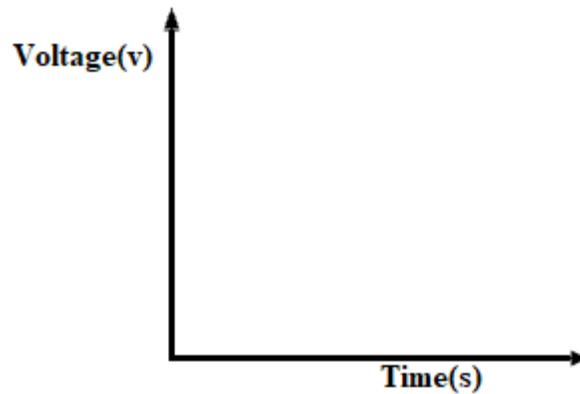
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(iv) State the purpose of the resistor R.

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(v) On the axes provided, sketch the graph of voltage, V against time, t . (2 marks)



15.

(a) Draw a ray diagram to illustrate the critical angle in the interface between glass and air, given that glass is optically denser. (3 marks)

(b) **Figure 7** below shows the path a ray of light in **medium 1** and **medium 2**.

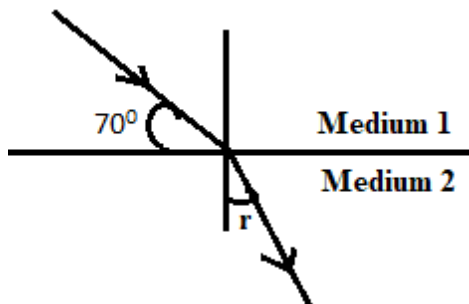


Figure 7

Given that the refractive indices of **medium 1** and **medium 2** are **2.42** and **1.5** respectively, determine the angle of refraction r in **medium 2**. (4 marks)

- (c) A water wave of wavelength 1.8 cm is incident on a boundary of shallow water at right angles. If the wavelength in the shallow end is 1.44 cm, determine the refractive index of water for a wave moving from the deep to the shallow. (3 marks)

- (d) Give one reason why prism periscopes are preferred to mirror periscopes. (1 mark)

- (e) State one application of total internal reflection in medicine. (1 mark)

16.

- a) State Ohm's law. (1 mark)

- b) Use **figure 8** below to answer the question that follows.

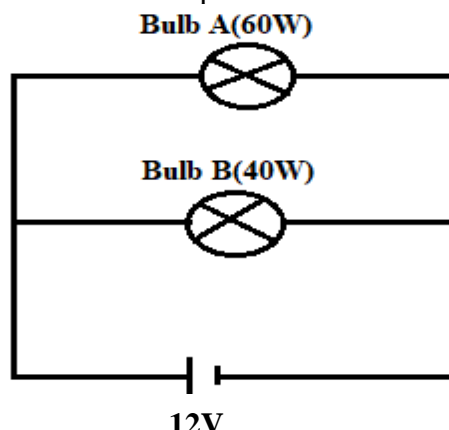


Figure 8

Compare the brightness of the two bulbs.

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- c) **Figure 9** below shows a cell in series with a 3Ω resistor and a switch. A high resistance voltmeter is connected across the cell.

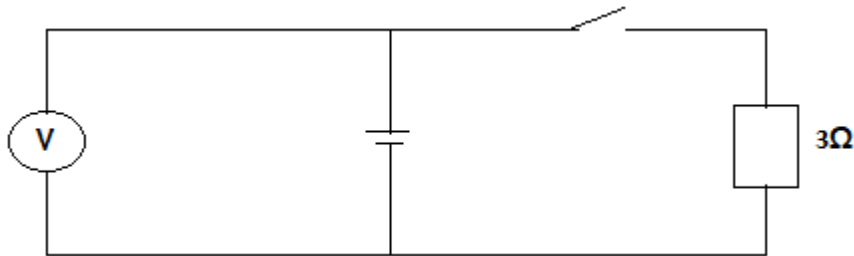


Figure 9

The voltmeter reads 1.5V with the switch open and 1.2 with the switch closed.

- (i) State the electromotive force of the cell. (1 mark)

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- (ii) Determine the current through the 3Ω resistor when the switch is closed.

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- (iii) Determine the internal resistance of the cell. (2 marks)

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- d) Using Ohm's law, show that the effective resistance of three resistors R_1 , R_2 and R_3 connected in series is given by the expression $R_T = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$ (3 marks)

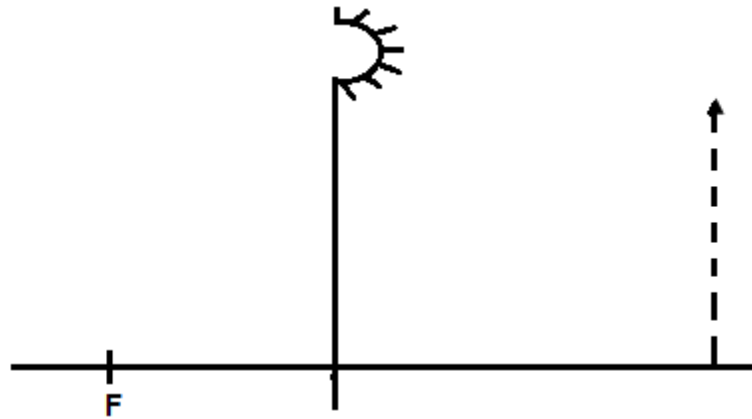
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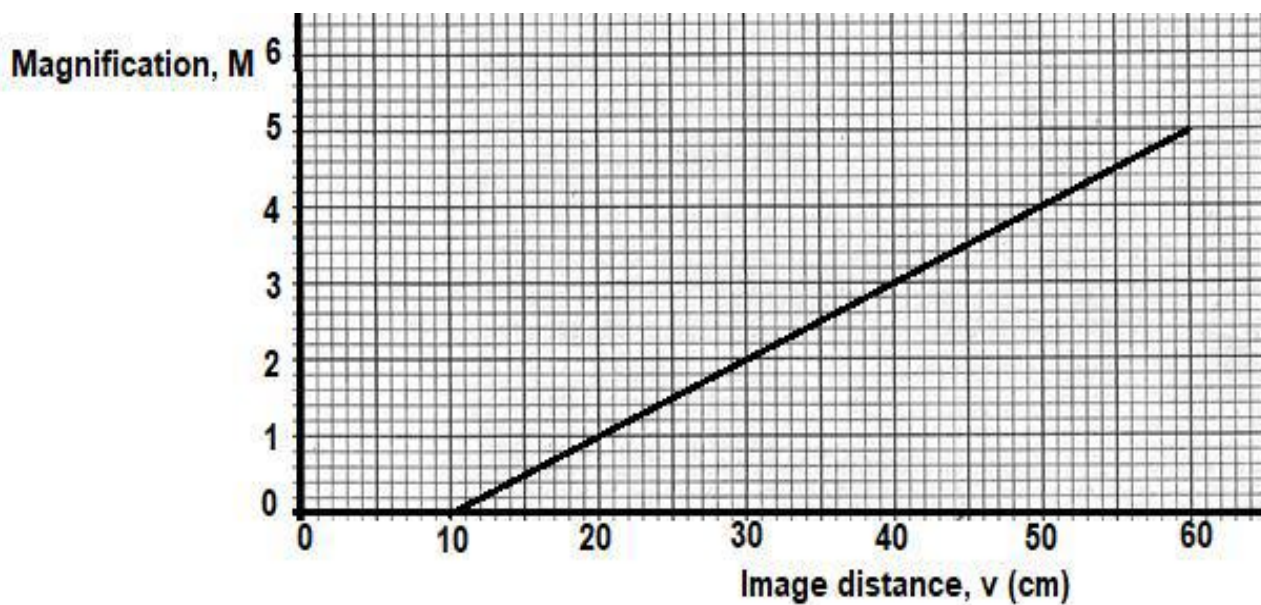
(a)

- i. **Figure 10** below shows an image formed by a curved mirror. Use ray diagrams to locate the position of the object. (3 marks)

**Figure 10**

- ii. State one application of the mirror above. (1 mark)

- (b) The graph in the figure below shows the variation of **magnification, M** with **image distance, v** for a concave mirror.



From the graph determine:

- (i) The object distance when the image distance is 45cm. (3 marks)

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- (ii) The focal length of the mirror. (4 marks)

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18.

- (a) State one factor that affects the speed of sound in solids. (1 mark)

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- (b) A search boat uses a signal of 6.0×10^4 Hz to detect a sunken ship directly below. Two reflected signals are received; one after 0.1 seconds from the sunken and the other after 0.14 seconds from the sea bed. If the speed of sound in water is 1400m/s, determine:-

- (i) how high the sunken ship is from the sea bed. (2 marks)

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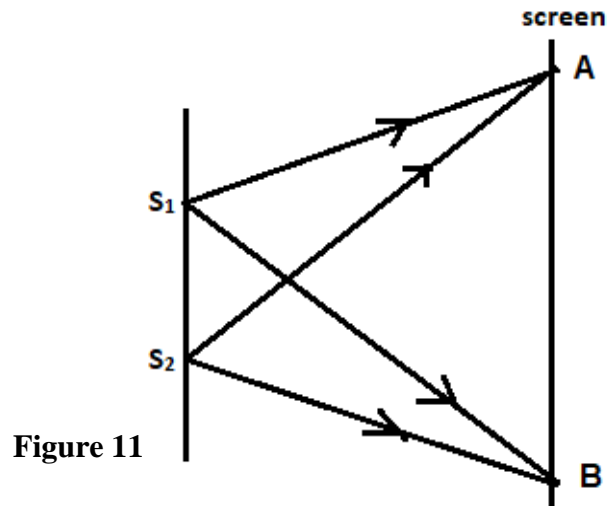
- (ii) the depth of the sunken ship below the boat. (2 marks)

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- (c) **Figure 11** below shows light rays from two coherent sources **S₁** and **S₂** falling on a screen. Dark and bright fringes are observed between A and B.



State:

- (i) how bright fringes are formed. (1 mark)

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- (ii) How dark fringes are formed. (1 mark)

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- (iii) What is observed when light of a higher frequency is used. (1 mark)

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- (d) State two changes that occur when water waves move from a shallow region to a deep region. (2 marks)

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