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COMBINED SCIENCE

0653/41

Paper 4 Theory (Extended)

October/November 2024

1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer all questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do not use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do not write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.
- You should show all your working and use appropriate units.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The Periodic Table is printed in the question paper.

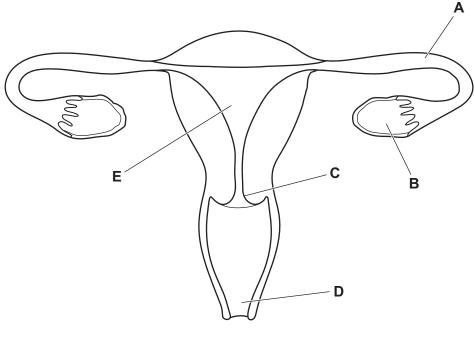
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1 (a) Fig. 1.1 shows the female human reproductive system.



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Fig. 1.1

| (1) | State the letter in Fig. 1.1 that identifies the part of the female reproductive system: | |
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| | where female gametes are made | |
| | that receives the penis during sexual intercourse. | |
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| ii) | During pregnancy, a placenta forms inside the female reproductive system. | |
| | Describe two functions of the placenta. | |
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(b) In the ${\it male}$ human reproductive system, the penis releases male gametes.

State two adaptive features of male human gametes.

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| (c) | Describe two | differences | between | fertilisation | in | humans | and | fertilisation | in | plants |
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(d) Fig. 1.2 shows pollen grains from one plant species.



Fig. 1.2

The pollen grains have structural adaptations for pollination by one type of agent.

Identify the type of pollination agent.

Explain your answer using evidence from Fig. 1.2.

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2 The position of an element in the Periodic Table is related to its atomic structure.

Use ideas about atomic structure in your answer.

(a) (i) Explain the positions of sodium, Na, and potassium, K, in the Periodic Table.

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(ii) State the nucleon number of sodium.

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(b) Table 2.1 shows some information about an atom of lithium, Li, and an ion of copper, Cu²⁺.
Complete Table 2.1.

Table 2.1

| | proton number | nucleon number | number of protons | number of neutrons | number of electrons |
|----------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Li atom | 3 | 7 | | | |
| Cu ²⁺ ion | 29 | 64 | | | |
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- (c) Copper is a transition element.
 - Transition elements are shiny, hard metals with high melting points and high boiling points.

State **one** other physical property of transition elements.

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(ii) State **two** chemical properties of transition elements that are different to the chemical properties of lithium.

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3 A block of wood has a weight of 24.1 N.

Fig. 3.1 shows the block of wood on a shelf.

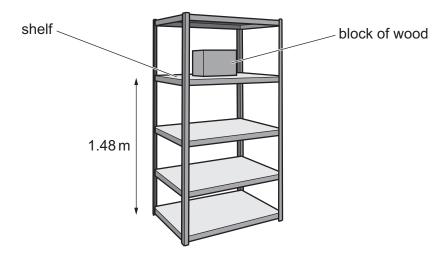


Fig. 3.1

(a) The mass of the block of wood is 2.45 kg.

Calculate the Earth's gravitational field strength.

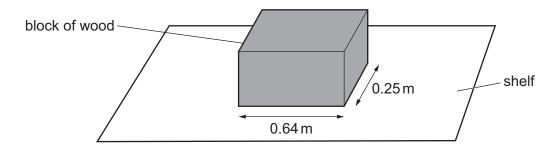
Show your working.

Give the units of your answer.

(b) The block of wood is at a vertical height of 1.48 m above the ground.

Calculate the gravitational potential energy (GPE) of the block of wood.





(c) The block of wood has a length of 0.64 m and a width of 0.25 m, as shown in Fig. 3.2.

Fig. 3.2

Calculate the pressure exerted by the block of wood on the shelf.

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4 (a) Fig. 4.1 is a graph showing the effect of humidity on the rate of transpiration in a plant.

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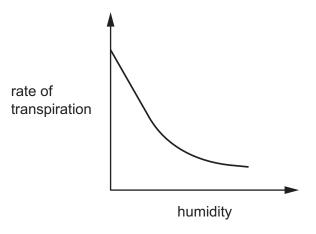


Fig. 4.1

| | Explain the shape of the graph shown in Fig. 4.1. | |
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| (b) | Plants require light for photosynthesis. | |
| | Complete the balanced symbol equation for photosynthesis. | |
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| | CO ₂ +H ₂ O → +O ₂ | [2] |



(c) A scientist investigates phototropism in two plant shoots, A and B.

The scientist covers the tip of shoot **A** with material that allows light to pass through. The scientist covers the tip of shoot **B** with material that blocks light.

The shoots are left to grow in light coming from one direction only.

Fig. 4.2 shows the results.

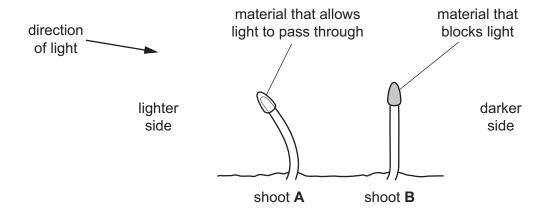


Fig. 4.2

Complete these sentences to explain the results.

More light passes through the material on shoot **A** on the lighter side than on the darker side.

This causes an distribution of auxin in shoot A.

Auxin stimulates more growth by cell on the darker side of shoot A.

Shoot B does not respond to the light because auxin is only made in the

..... of the shoot.

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- 5 Silver chloride, magnesium chloride and sodium chloride are salts.
 - (a) The equation shows a reaction used to prepare silver chloride, AgCl.

$$AgNO_3(aq) + NaCl(aq) \rightarrow AgCl(....) + NaNO_3(aq)$$

Complete the equation by adding the missing state symbol.

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(b) The equation shows a reaction used to prepare magnesium chloride, $MgCl_2$.

$$MgO(s) + \dots HCl(aq) \rightarrow MgCl_2(aq) + \dots (I)$$

(i) Complete and balance the equation.

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(ii) Suggest the change in the pH of the reaction mixture during this reaction.

Explain your answer.

pH changes from to

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- **(c)** Aqueous chlorine reacts with aqueous sodium bromide to form sodium chloride.
 - (i) State the name of the other product of this reaction.

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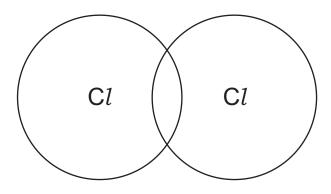
(ii) Explain why aqueous bromine does **not** react with aqueous sodium chloride.



(iii) Chlorine, ${\rm C}l_2$, is a covalently bonded molecule.

Complete the dot-and-cross diagram to show the outer shell electrons in ${\rm C}l_2$.

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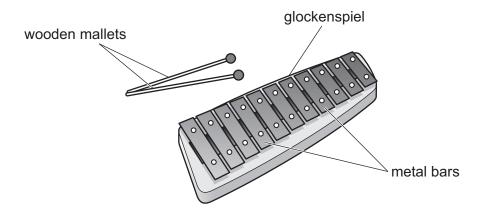


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Fig. 6.1 shows a musical instrument called a glockenspiel.



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Fig. 6.1

The wooden mallets are used to hit the metal bars of the glockenspiel to produce sounds.

(a) The metal used for the bars of the glockenspiel has a melting point of 660 °C.

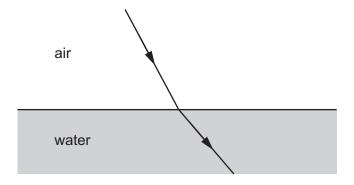
| State what is meant by melting point. |
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- (b) The sounds produced by the glockenspiel have a frequency range of 784-4186 Hz.
 - (i) The speed of sound in air is 340 m/s.

Calculate the wavelength of the sound with the highest pitch produced by the glockenspiel.



(c) Fig. 6.2 shows a sound wave moving from air into water.



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Fig. 6.2

| State the name of the effect seen in Fig. 6.2 and explain why it occurs. |
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| name of effect |
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(d) Complete Table 6.1 to show the properties of solids, liquids and gases.

Place **one** tick (\checkmark) or cross (X) in each box. Three have been done for you.

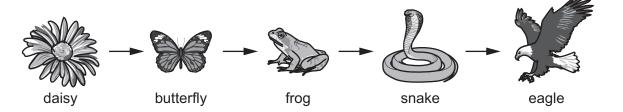
Table 6.1

| property | solids | liquids | gases |
|-----------------|--------|---------|-------|
| fixed volume | | 1 | |
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| ability to flow | | ✓ | |

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7 (a) Fig. 7.1 shows a food chain.



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Fig. 7.1

| (i) | State the name of an organism in Fig. 7.1 that: | | | | | | | |
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| | is a quaternary consumer | | | | | | | |
| | occupies trophic level 1. | [2] | | | | | | |
| (ii) | State two processes that transfer energy out of a food chain. | | | | | | | |
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- **(b)** Humans digest food in the alimentary canal using enzymes.
 - (i) Table 7.1 shows the names of some enzymes and the substrates and products for these enzymes.

Complete Table 7.1.

Table 7.1

| enzyme | substrate | product |
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| amylase | | simpler sugars |
| | protein | amino acid |
| lipase | fats | and |

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(ii) State two functions of hydrochloric acid in the alimentary canal.

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- 8 Carbon dioxide is a greenhouse gas.
 - (a) Complete the sentence about greenhouse gases in the Earth's atmosphere.

Increased concentrations of greenhouse gases cause angreenhouse effect.

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(b) Table 8.1 shows some reactions that make carbon dioxide.

Complete Table 8.1 by stating the formula and name of **one** compound that can be used in each type of reaction.

Choose from the formulae shown.

CaCO₃

CaO

Ca(OH)₂

CH₄

CO.

You may use each formula once, more than once or not at all.

Table 8.1

| reaction that makes | compound | | | | | |
|---|----------|------|--|--|--|--|
| carbon dioxide | formula | name | | | | |
| complete combustion of a gaseous compound | | | | | | |
| reaction of a solid with a dilute acid | | | | | | |
| thermal decomposition | | | | | | |

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- (c) Carbon dioxide is produced when gasoline (petrol) is burned in vehicle engines.
 - Gasoline is a fraction of petroleum that contains saturated hydrocarbon molecules.

State **one** other way that the structures of molecules within the gasoline fraction are similar.

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i) The cracking of larger alkanes makes smaller alkanes and alkenes.

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State two conditions required for cracking.

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9 Fig. 9.1 shows an electrical circuit that includes three identical lamps and a fixed resistor.

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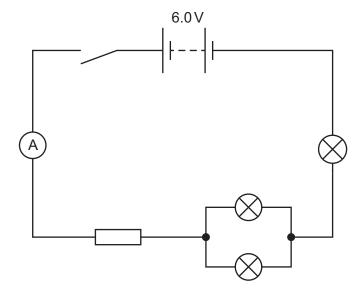


Fig. 9.1

(a) State the name of the component that is the energy source for the circuit.

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- (b) Draw on Fig. 9.1 to show how a voltmeter is connected to measure the potential difference (p.d.) across the fixed resistor. [2]
- (c) The switch is closed.

The reading on the ammeter is 0.25A.

The resistance of the fixed resistor is 15Ω .

(i) Calculate the total resistance of the circuit.

total resistance of circuit = Ω [2]



Use your answer to **(c)(i)** to calculate the resistance of **one** lamp.

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Show your working.

| resistance of one lamp = | Ω | [3 | 3] | ĺ |
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The Periodic Table of Elements

| | | 2 | He | helium 4 | 10 | Ne | neon 20 | 18 | Ar | argon 40 | 36 | 궃 | krypton 84 | 54 | Xe | xenon 131 | 98 | R | radon | 118 | Og | oganesson |
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| | =/ | | | | 6 | ш | fluorine 19 | 17 | Cl | chlorine 35.5 | 35 | B | bromine 80 | 53 | Н | iodine 127 | 85 | ¥ | astatine - | 117 | <u>S</u> | tennessine |
| | | | | | 8 | 0 | oxygen 16 | 16 | ഗ | sulfur 32 | 34 | Se | selenium 79 | 52 | <u>a</u> | tellurium 128 | 84 | Ро | moloui nm – | 116 | | livermorium - |
| | > | | | | 7 | Z | nitrogen 14 | 15 | ₾ | phosphorus 31 | 33 | As | arsenic 75 | 51 | Sp | antimony 122 | 83 | Ξ | bismuth 209 | 115 | Mc | moscovium |
| | ≥ | | | | 9 | ပ | carbon 12 | 14 | S | silicon 28 | 32 | Ge | germanium 73 | 20 | Sn | tin 119 | 82 | Pb | lead 207 | 114 | F1 | flerovium |
| | ≡ | | | | 5 | М | boron 11 | 13 | Αl | aluminium 27 | 31 | Ga | gallium 70 | 49 | In | indium 115 | 81 | <i>1</i> L | thallium 204 | 113 | Ł | mihonium |
| | | | | | | | | | | | 30 | Zu | zinc 65 | 48 | b | cadmium 112 | 80 | Hg | mercury 201 | 112 | C | copemicium |
| dn | | | | | | | | | | | 29 | Cn | copper 64 | 47 | Ag | silver 108 | 62 | Au | gold 197 | 111 | Rg | roentgenium - |
| | | | | | | | | | | | 28 | ï | nickel 59 | 46 | Pd | palladium 106 | 78 | പ | platinum 195 | 110 | Ds | darmstadtium - |
| Group | | | | | | | | | | | 27 | ပိ | cobalt 59 | 45 | 格 | rhodium 103 | 77 | 'n | iridium 192 | 109 | ¥ | meitnerium - |
| | | - : | L | hydrogen 1 | | | | | | | 26 | Ь | iron 56 | 44 | Ru | ruthenium 101 | 92 | SO | osmium 190 | 108 | Hs | hassium |
| | | | | | l | | | | | | 25 | Mn | manganese 55 | 43 | ပ | technetium - | 75 | Re | rhenium 186 | 107 | Bh | bohrium |
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| | | | | Key | atomic number | atomic symbo | name relative atomic mass | | | | 23 | > | vanadium 51 | 41 | qN | niobium 93 | 73 | Д | tantalum 181 | 105 | Op | dubnium |
| | | | | | w | ato | rela | | | | 22 | j | titanium 48 | 40 | Zr | zirconium 91 | 72 | 士 | hafnium 178 | 104 | 꿆 | rutherfordium - |
| | | | | | | | | , | | | 21 | Sc | scandium 45 | 39 | > | yttrium 89 | 57-71 | lanthanoids | | 89–103 | actinoids | |
| | = | | | | 4 | Be | beryllium 9 | 12 | Mg | magnesium 24 | 20 | Ca | calcium 40 | 38 | Š | strontium 88 | 56 | Ba | barium 137 | 88 | Ra | radium |
| | _ | | | | 3 | :- | lithium 7 | 1 | Na | sodium 23 | 19 | ¥ | potassium 39 | 37 | Rb | rubidium 85 | 55 | S | caesium 133 | 87 | ъ́ | francium |

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| 69 | T | thulium | 601 | 101 | Md | mendelevium | ı |
| 89 | щ | erbium | /91 | 100 | Fm | ferminm | ı |
| 29 | 웃 | holmium | col | 66 | Es | einsteinium | ı |
| 99 | Ò | dysprosium | 103 | 86 | ರ | californium | ı |
| 65 | Tp | terbium | 661 | 97 | Æ | berkelium | ı |
| 64 | В | gadolinium | /61 | 96 | Cm | curium | ı |
| 63 | Ш | europium | 761 | 92 | Am | americium | ı |
| 62 | Sm | samarium | nc. | 94 | Pu | plutonium | ı |
| 61 | Pm | promethium | ı | 93 | N | neptunium | ı |
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| 58 | Se | cerium | 140 | 06 | Ч | thorium | 232 |
| 22 | Га | lanthanum | 139 | 88 | Ac | actinium | ı |

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The volume of one mole of any gas is 24 dm³ at room temperature and pressure (r.t.p.).