

# Excel in Key Subjects

AQA Physics assessment

Paper 2

Topic 5 – Forces

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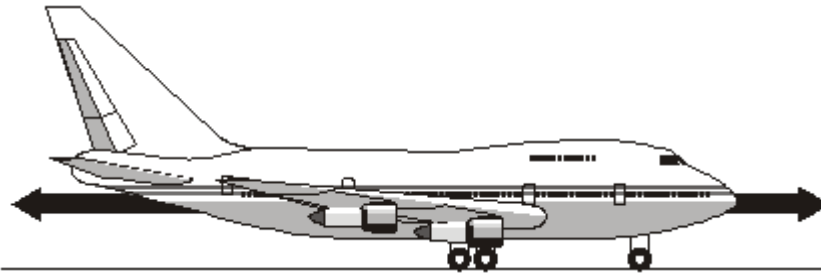
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## Data/formulae sheet

1	<b>pressure due to a column of liquid</b> <b>= height of column × density of liquid × gravitational field strength (g)</b>	$p = h \rho g$
2	(final velocity) <sup>2</sup> – (initial velocity) <sup>2</sup> = 2 × acceleration × distance	$v^2 - u^2 = 2 a s$
3	<b>force = <math>\frac{\text{change in momentum}}{\text{time taken}}</math></b>	$F = \frac{m \Delta v}{\Delta t}$
4	elastic potential energy = 0.5 × spring constant × (extension) <sup>2</sup>	$E_e = \frac{1}{2} k e^2$
5	change in thermal energy = mass × specific heat capacity × temperature change	$\Delta E = m c \Delta \theta$
6	period = $\frac{1}{\text{frequency}}$	
7	magnification = $\frac{\text{image height}}{\text{object height}}$	
8	<b>force on a conductor (at right angles to a magnetic field) carrying a current</b> <b>= magnetic flux density × current × length</b>	$F = B I l$
9	thermal energy for a change of state = mass × specific latent heat	$E = m L$
10	<b><math>\frac{\text{potential difference across primary coil}}{\text{potential difference across secondary coil}} = \frac{\text{number of turns in primary coil}}{\text{number of turns in secondary coil}}</math></b>	$\frac{V_p}{V_s} = \frac{n_p}{n_s}$
11	potential difference across primary coil × current in primary coil = potential difference across secondary coil × current in secondary coil	$V_p I_p = V_s I_s$
12	For gases: pressure × volume = constant	$p V = \text{constant}$

**Q3.**

- (a) The diagram shows an aircraft and the horizontal forces acting on it as it moves along a runway. The *resultant force* on the aircraft is zero.



- (i) What is meant by the term *resultant force*?

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(1)

- (ii) Describe the movement of the aircraft when the resultant force is zero.

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(1)

- (b) The aircraft has a take-off mass of 320 000 kg. Each of the 4 engines can produce a maximum force of 240 kN.

Calculate the maximum acceleration of the aircraft.

Show clearly how you work out your answer and give the unit.

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Acceleration = \_\_\_\_\_

(3)

- (c) As the aircraft moves along the runway to take off, its acceleration decreases even though the force from the engines is constant.

Explain why.

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(2)

**Q4.**

(a) In any collision, the total momentum of the colliding objects is usually conserved.

(i) What is meant by the term 'momentum is conserved'?

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(1)

(ii) In a collision, momentum is **not** always conserved.

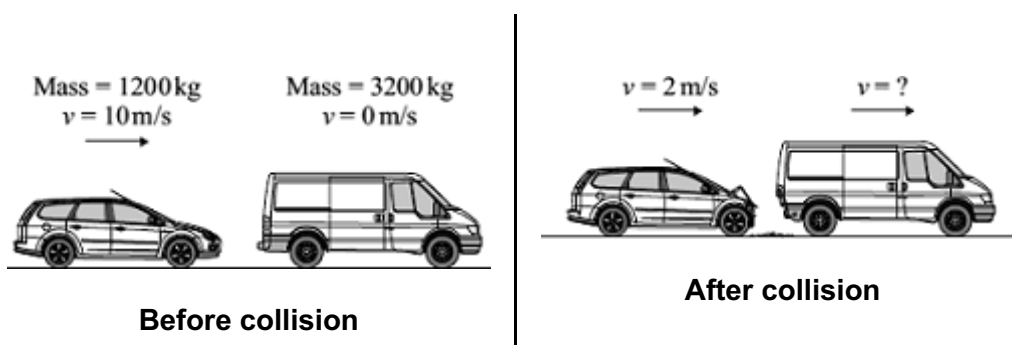
Why?

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(1)

(b) The diagram shows a car and a van, just before and just after the car collided with the van.



(i) Use the information in the diagram to calculate the **change** in the momentum of the car.

Show clearly how you work out your answer and give the unit.

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Change in momentum = \_\_\_\_\_

(3)

(ii) Use the idea of conservation of momentum to calculate the velocity of the van when it is pushed forward by the collision.

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

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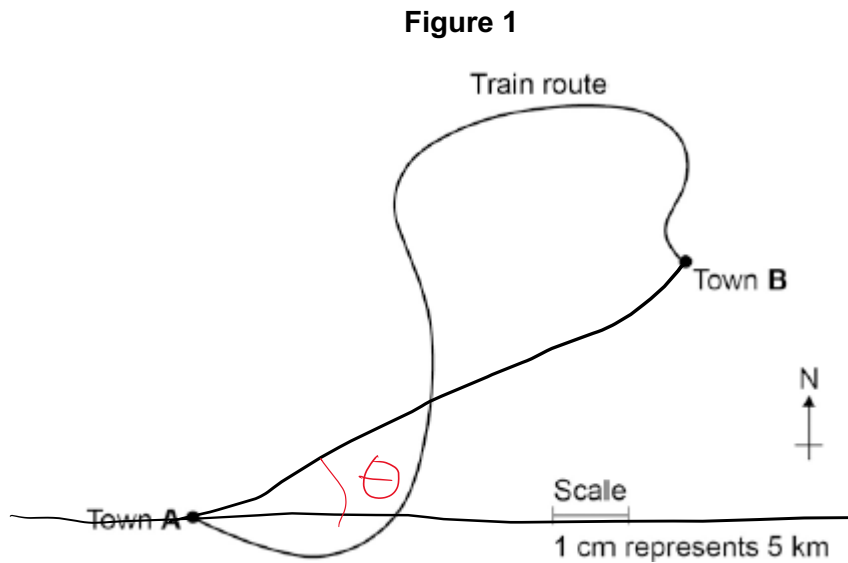
Velocity = \_\_\_\_\_ m/s forward

(2)  
(Total 7 marks)

**Q5.**

A train travels from town **A** to town **B**.

**Figure 1** shows the route taken by the train.  
**Figure 1** has been drawn to scale.



- (a) The distance the train travels between **A** and **B** is not the same as the displacement of the train.

What is the difference between distance and displacement?

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(1)

- (b) Use **Figure 1** to determine the displacement of the train in travelling from **A** to **B**.

Show how you obtain your answer.

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Displacement = \_\_\_\_\_ km

Direction = \_\_\_\_\_

(2)

- (c) There are places on the journey where the train accelerates without changing speed.

Explain how this can happen.

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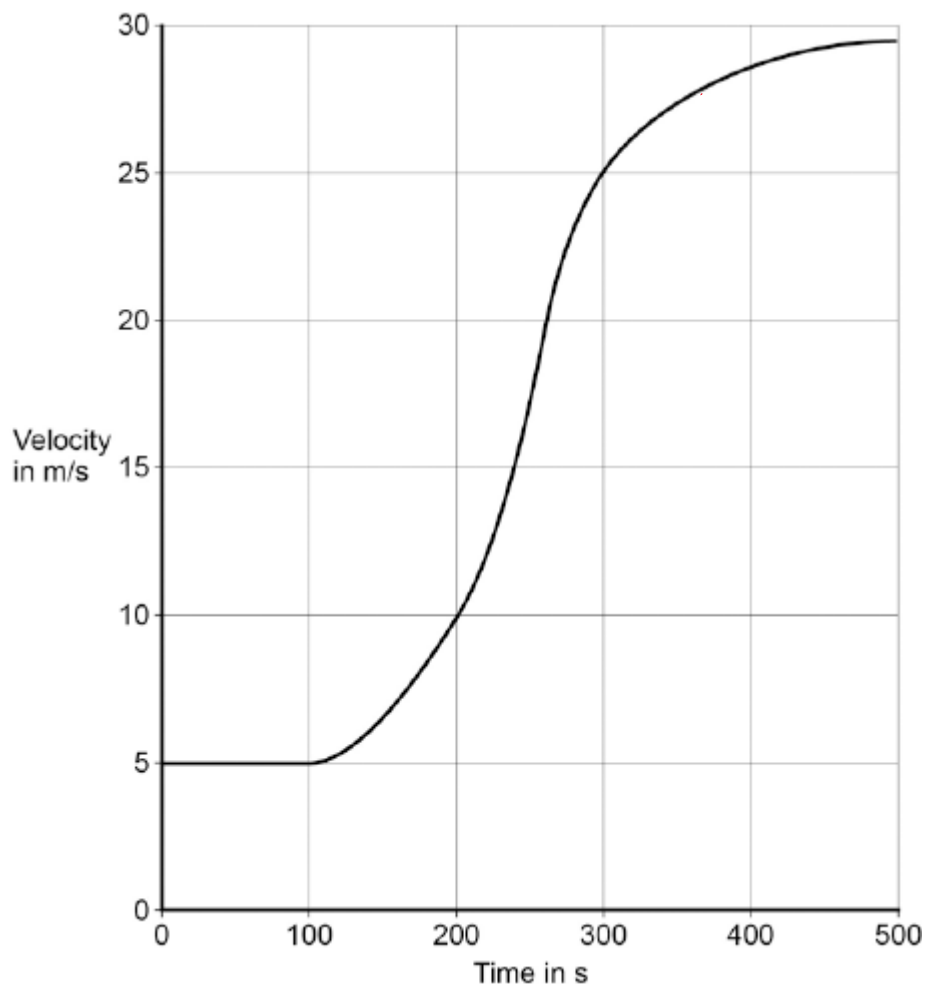
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(2)

- (d) **Figure 2** shows how the velocity of the train changes with time as the train travels along a straight section of the journey.

**Figure 2**



Estimate the distance travelled by the train along the section of the journey shown in **Figure 2**.

To gain full marks you must show how you worked out your answer.

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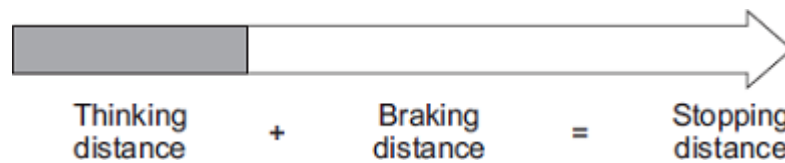
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Distance = \_\_\_\_\_ m

(3)  
(Total 8 marks)

**Q6.**

The diagram shows how the thinking distance and braking distance of a car add together to give the stopping distance of the car.



(a) Use words from the box to complete the sentence.

<b>distance</b>	<b>energy</b>	<b>force</b>	<b>time</b>
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The stopping distance is found by adding the distance the car travels during the driver's reaction \_\_\_\_\_ and the distance the car travels under the braking \_\_\_\_\_ .

(2)

(b) Which **one** of the following would **not** increase the thinking distance?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

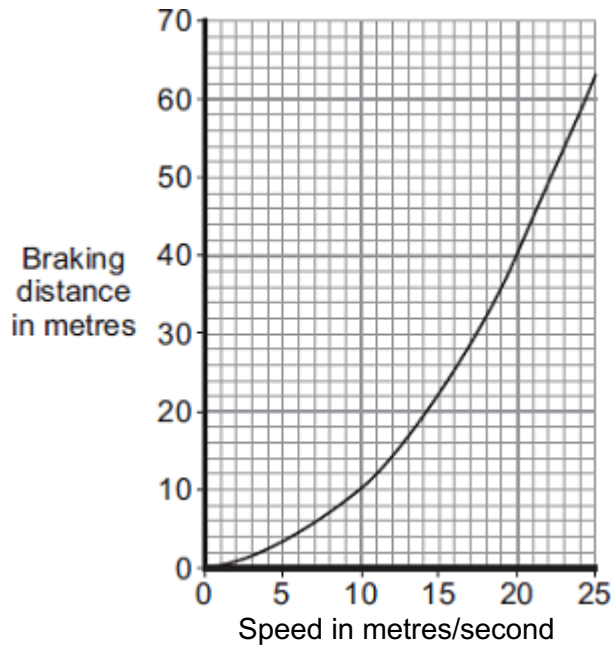
The car driver being tired.

The car tyres being badly worn.

The car being driven faster.

(1)

(c) The graph shows how the braking distance of a car changes with the speed of the car.  
The force applied to the car brakes does not change.



(i) What conclusion about braking distance can be made from the graph?

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(2)

(ii) The graph is for a car driven on a dry road.

Draw a line on the graph to show what is likely to happen to the braking distance at different speeds if the same car was driven on an icy road.

(1)

(d) A local council has reduced the speed limit from 30 miles per hour to 20 miles per hour on a few roads. The reason for reducing the speed limit was to reduce the number of accidents.

(i) A local newspaper reported that a councillor said:

“It will be much safer because drivers can react much faster when driving at 20 miles per hour than when driving at 30 miles per hour.”

This statement is wrong. Why?

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(1)

(ii) The local council must decide whether to introduce the lower speed limit on a lot more roads.

What evidence should the local council collect to help make this decision?



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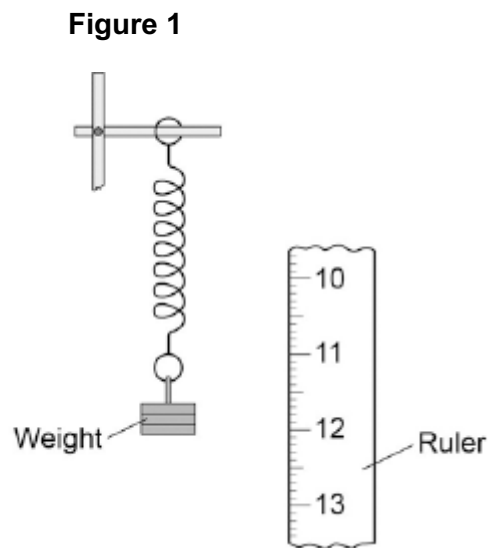
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(2)  
(Total 9 marks)

**Q7.**

A student suspended a spring from a laboratory stand and then hung a weight from the spring.

**Figure 1** shows the spring before and after the weight is added.



- (a) Measure the extension of the spring shown in **Figure 1**.

Extension = \_\_\_\_\_ mm

(1)

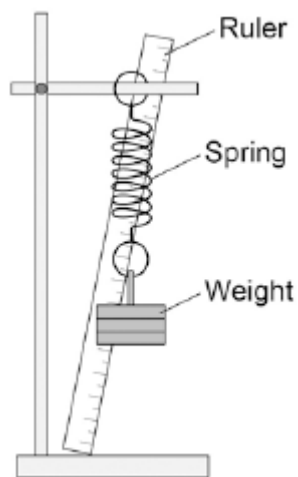
- (b) The student used the spring, a set of weights and a ruler to investigate how the extension of the spring depended on the weight hanging from the spring.

Before starting the investigation the student wrote the following prediction:

The extension of the spring will be directly proportional to the weight hanging from the spring.

**Figure 2** shows how the student arranged the apparatus.

**Figure 2**



Before taking any measurements, the student adjusted the ruler to make it vertical.

Explain why adjusting the ruler was important.

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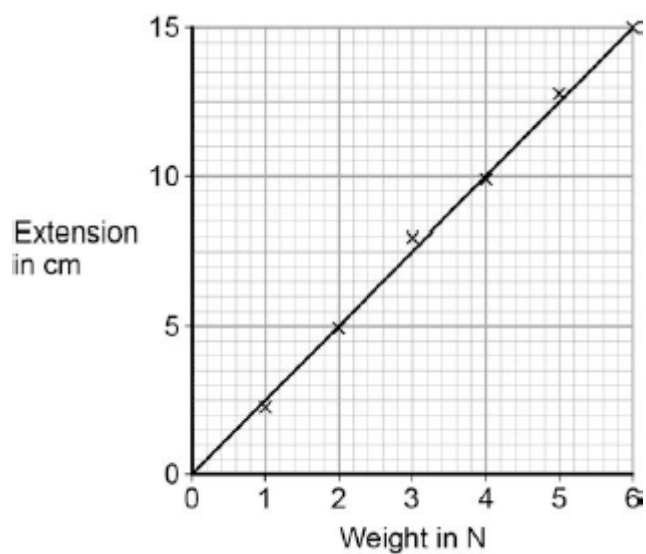
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(2)

(c) The student measured the extension of the spring using a range of weights.

The student's data is shown plotted as a graph in **Figure 3**.

**Figure 3**



What range of weight did the student use?

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(1)

(d) Why does the data plotted in **Figure 3** support the student's prediction?

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(1)

(e) Describe **one** technique that you could have used to improve the accuracy of the measurements taken by the student.

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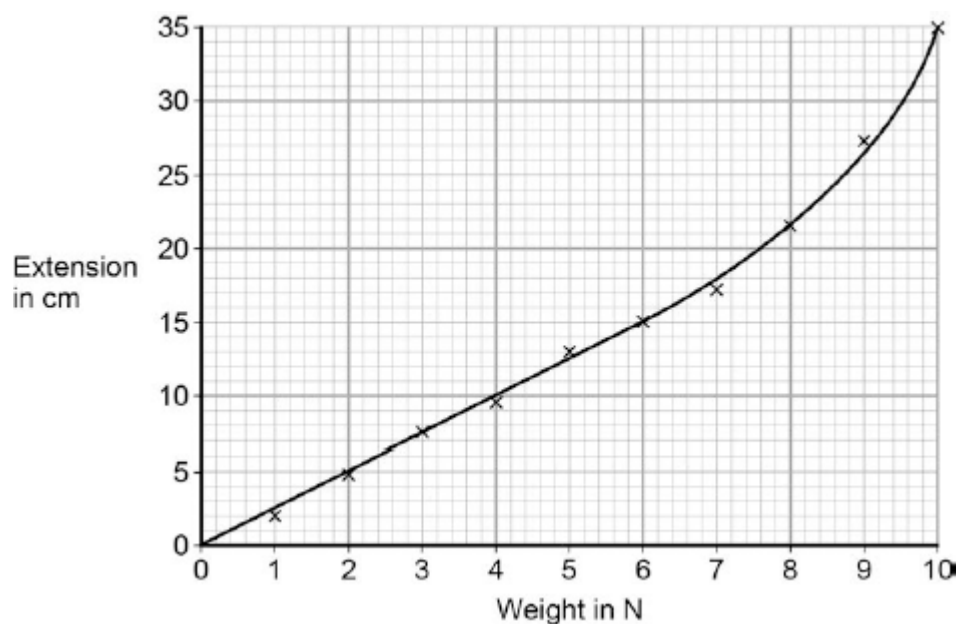
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(2)

(f) The student continued the investigation by increasing the range of weights added to the spring.

All of the data is shown plotted as a graph in **Figure 4**.

**Figure 4**



At the end of the investigation, all of the weights were removed from the spring.

What can you conclude from **Figure 4** about the deformation of the spring?

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Give the reason for your conclusion.

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(2)  
(Total 9 marks)

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