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DATA SHEET

Speed of light in materials

Material	Speed in m/s
Air	3.0×10^8
Carbon dioxide	3.0×10^8
Diamond	1.2×10^8
Glass	2.0×10^8
Glycerol	2.1×10^8
Water	2.3×10^8

Speed of sound in materials

Material	Speed in m/s
Aluminium	5200
Air	340
Bone	3000
Carbon dioxide	270
Glycerol	1900
Muscle	1600
Steel	5200
Tissue	1500
Water	1500

Gravitational field strengths

	Gravitational field strength on the surface in N/kg
Earth	10
Jupiter	26
Mars	4
Mercury	4
Moon	1.6
Neptune	12
Saturn	11
Sun	270
Venus	9

Specific heat capacity of materials

Material	Specific heat capacity in J/kg °C
Alcohol	2350
Aluminium	902
Copper	386
Diamond	530
Glass	500
Glycerol	2400
Ice	2100
Lead	128
Water	4180

Specific latent heat of fusion of materials

Material	Specific latent heat of fusion in J/kg
Alcohol	0.99×10^5
Aluminium	3.95×10^5
Carbon dioxide	1.80×10^5
Copper	2.05×10^5
Glycerol	1.81×10^5
Lead	0.25×10^5
Water	3.34×10^5

Melting and boiling points of materials

Materials	Melting point in °C	Boiling point in °C
Alcohol	-98	65
Aluminium	660	2470
Copper	1077	2567
Glycerol	18	290
Lead	328	1737
Turpentine	-10	156

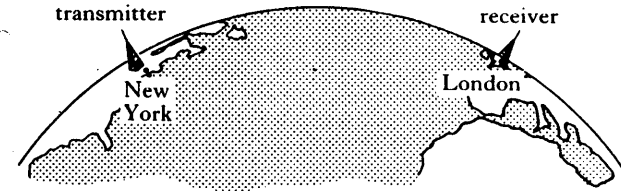
Specific latent heat of vaporisation of materials

Material	Specific latent heat of vaporisation in J/kg
Alcohol	11.2×10^5
Carbon dioxide	3.77×10^5
Glycerol	8.30×10^5
Turpentine	2.90×10^5
Water	22.6×10^5

SI Prefixes and Multiplication Factors

Prefix	Symbol	Factor
mega	M	1 000 000 = 10^6
kilo	k	1000 = 10^3
milli	m	0.001 = 10^{-3}
micro	μ	0.000 001 = 10^{-6}
nano	n	0.000 000 001 = 10^{-9}

1. Short wave television signals can travel only in a straight line from the transmitting aerial to the receiver. The diagram below shows a transmitter in New York and a receiver in London.



- (a) Explain why UHF (ultra high frequency) television signals cannot be sent directly from New York to London.

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- (b) Describe how UHF television signals are sent from New York to London.

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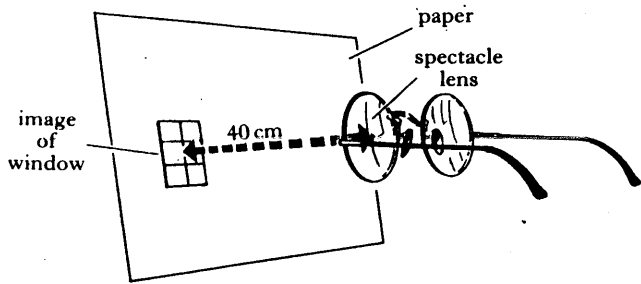
- (c) What is the wavelength of a UHF television signal which is transmitted at a frequency of 625 MHz?

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2. Karen is tidying the reading spectacles on display in a store. The spectacles on the display are labelled 4.0 D, 3.25 D, 2.75 D and 2.5 D. She notices that the label is missing from one pair.

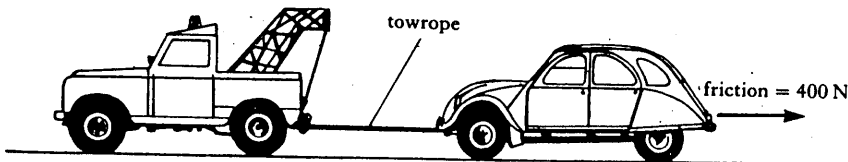
Karen is asked to label correctly this pair of spectacles. She uses one of the spectacle lenses to focus a sharp image of a far-away window on to a piece of paper as shown below. The distance between the lens and the paper is 40 cm.



Which label should Karen attach to the spectacles? You **must** show clearly your working which leads you to your answer.

Space for working and answer

3. (a) A car of mass 1200 kg is being towed at a constant speed of 5 m/s by a breakdown lorry. The force of friction on the car at this speed is 400 N.



What size of force is exerted by the tow rope on the car?

Answer

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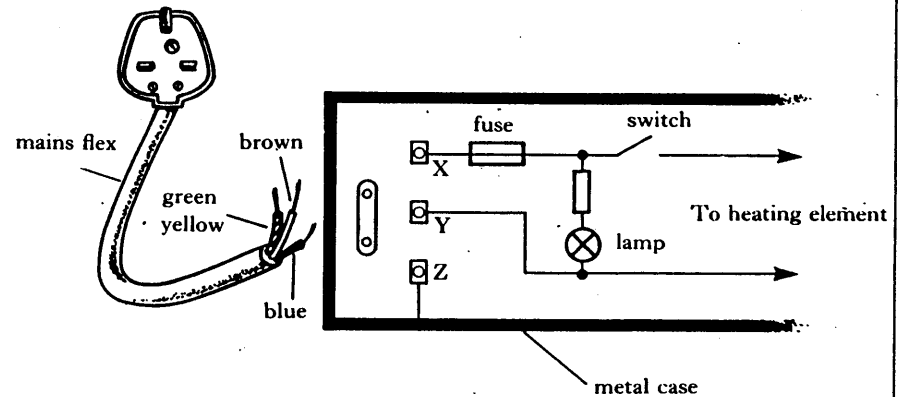
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(b) The force exerted by the tow rope on the car is increased to 2000 N. Assuming that the force of friction on the car remains constant at 400 N, find the acceleration of the car.

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4. A mains flex is to be connected to a sandwich toaster. The flex and part of the layout of the toaster are shown below.



(a) State clearly which wire in the flex should be connected to terminals X, Y and Z.

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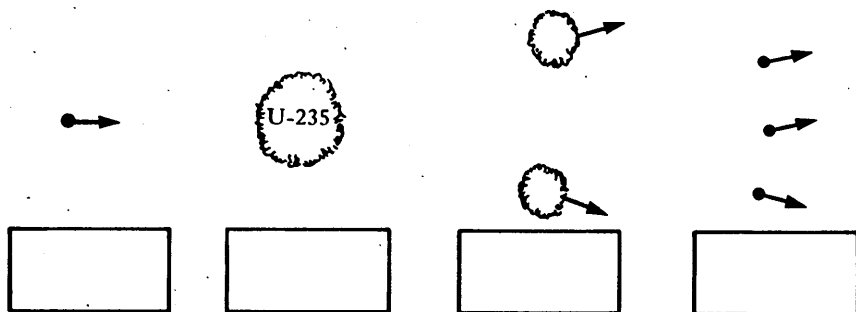
(b) What is the purpose of having the lamp connected as shown in the toaster circuit?

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5. The diagram below shows what happens when a uranium nucleus undergoes fission in a nuclear reaction. The diagram has not been labelled.



(a) Complete the diagram by selecting and inserting the correct labels from the following list.

uranium nucleus fission fragment neutron.

You may use a label more than once.

(b) Describe how, inside a nuclear reactor, the above process can result in a chain reaction.

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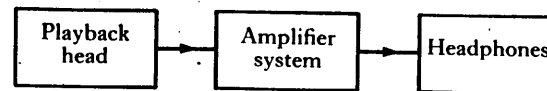
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6. A tape recorder is represented by the block diagram shown below.



(a) The amplifier system produces 0.02 W of power in the headphones which have a resistance of 18Ω .

Calculate the voltage applied to the headphones.

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(b) The amplifier system has a voltage gain of 20.

Calculate the size of the voltage signal produced by the playback head.

Space for working and answer

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7. Carefully read the following information.

Special creams and liquids called sunscreens are used to protect the skin from the harmful effects of the ultra violet radiation (UV) from the sun. The sunscreens absorb some of the UV and prevent it reaching the skin.

Ultra violet radiation with wavelengths in the range 315–400 nm is called UVA. Radiation with wavelengths in the range 280–315 nm is called UVB.

The longer wavelength UVA can cause wrinkles and premature aging of the skin.

The shorter wavelength UVB gives a long-lasting tan but UVB causes sunburn.

Both UVA and UVB increase the risk of skin cancer.

The table below gives some properties of sunscreen chemicals P, Q, R and S at different wavelengths.

Sunscreen chemical	Range of wavelengths absorbed	Effect of water
P	250–320 nm	does not dissolve
Q	290–320 nm	dissolves
R	280–360 nm	dissolves
S	295–315 nm	dissolves

(a) Give **two** reasons why most sunscreens are made from a mixture of more than one of these chemicals.

Reason 1:

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Reason 2:

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(b) Which chemical gives most protection against premature aging of the skin?

Answer

(c) Sunscreens containing only chemicals listed in the table do not give complete protection against both aging and burning. Give a reason for this.

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(d) Although UV can harm our skin it can be used to our benefit. Name **one** use of ultraviolet radiation in medicine.

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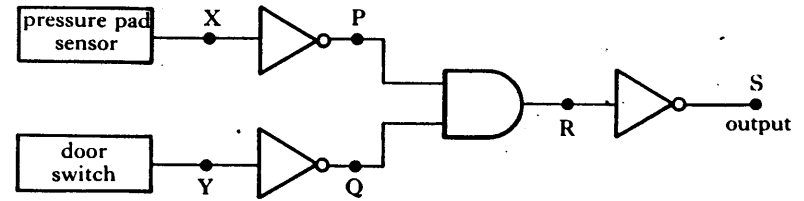
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8. The diagram for an alarm system is shown below.



The alarm system is designed to operate if someone steps on a pressure pad or opens a door.

When someone stands on the pressure pad sensor, the logic level at X changes from 0 to 1.

When the door is opened, the logic level at Y changes from 0 to 1.

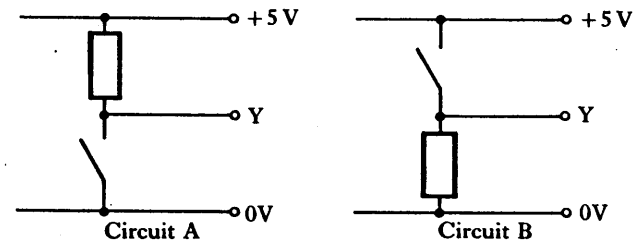
(a) Complete the table below to show the logic levels at P, Q, R and S when the logic levels at X and Y are as indicated.

X	Y	P	Q	R	S
0	0				
0	1				
1	0				
1	1				

(b) The pupil could have designed the alarm system using only one logic gate. Name the gate he could have used.

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(c) Two possible circuits for the door switch are shown below. When the door closes, the switch closes.



Explain which circuit should be used in the above system.

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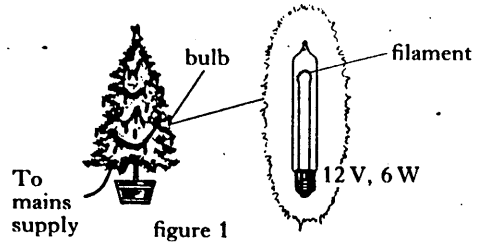
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9. (a) A set of Christmas tree lights contains 20 bulbs each labelled 12 V, 6 W. Each bulb is designed as shown in figure 1. The set is to be connected to the mains supply.



- (i) What is the voltage of the mains supply?

Answer

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- (ii) Why must the bulbs in the set be connected in series?

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- (iii) Calculate the current in a bulb when the tree lights are lit.

Space for working and answer

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- (iv) How much charge flows through one of the bulbs in 20 seconds?

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9. (a) (continued)

- (v) Calculate the resistance of the filament in a bulb.

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- (b) An improved design of bulb contains a resistor connected in parallel with the filament as shown in figure 2.

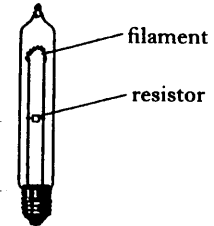


figure 2

The filament has a resistance of 45Ω and the resistor has a resistance of 30Ω .

- (i) Calculate the resistance of the bulb.

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- (ii) Explain the purpose of the resistor in the improved design.

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11. Figure 1 shows an electronic system which can be used as a timer.

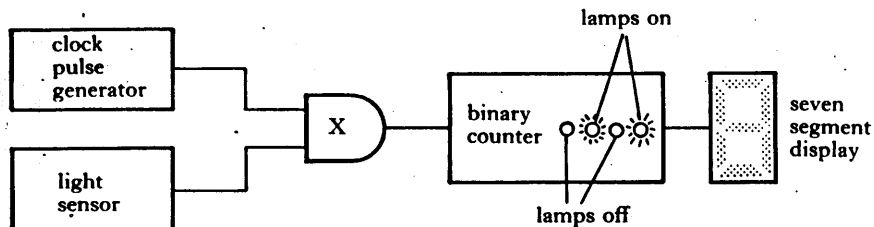
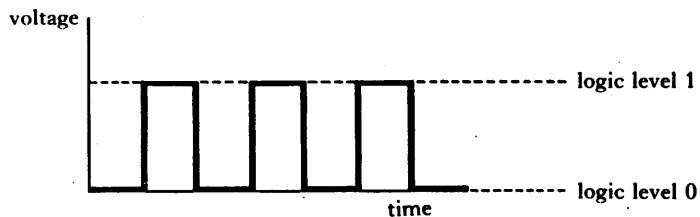


figure 1

The timer is switched on and off using a beam of light and a light sensor. The logic level at the output from the light sensor is shown in the table below.

Lighting condition at light sensor	Logic level at output from light sensor
dark	1
light	0

The clock pulse generator produces an output voltage which changes with time as shown in the graph below. The logic levels are indicated on the graph.



(a) (i) What name is given to logic gate X?

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(ii) Explain why no counts are recorded on the binary counter when the light beam shines on the light sensor.

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(iii) What number appears on the seven segment display when the binary counter displays 0101 as shown in figure 1?

Answer

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11. (continued)

(b) Saeed makes use of the electronic system in figure 1 on the previous page to help him measure the speed of a toy car. He sets up the apparatus as shown in figure 2 below and resets the binary counter and seven segment display to zero.

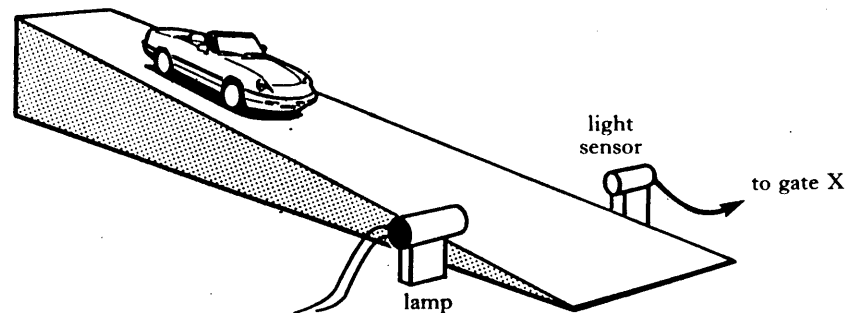


figure 2

When the car has passed through the light beam between the lamp and the light sensor, the seven segment display shows the number eight. The time for each clock pulse is shown in figure 3.

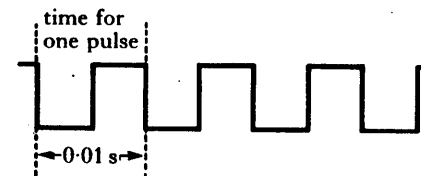


figure 3

(i) Calculate the time taken for the car to pass the light beam.

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(ii) What other measurement is required so that Saeed can calculate the speed of the car as it passes through the light beam?

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(iii) How would Saeed use his measurements to calculate this speed?

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(c) The electronic circuit which produces the clock pulses is shown in figure 4.

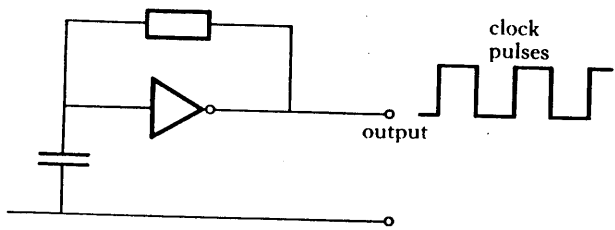


figure 4

(i) Saeed increases the value of the capacitor.

What effect does this have on the frequency of the clock pulses?

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(ii) What effect should this have on the accuracy of Saeed's time measurement?

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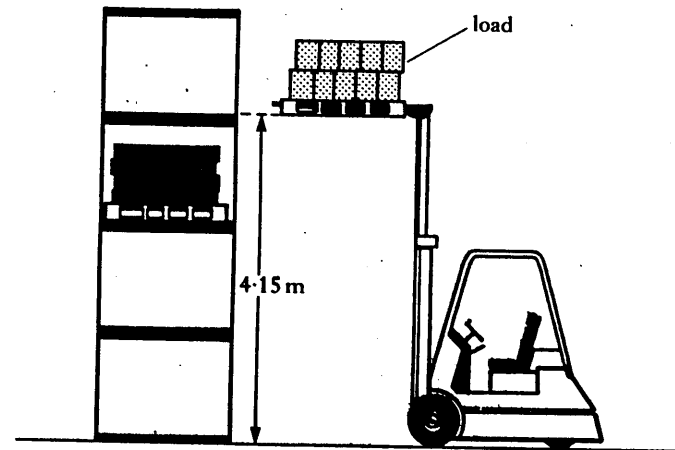
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12. Tests are being carried out on a fork lift truck. The truck is designed to lift a load from the floor to a storage shelf.



The following measurements are recorded during a test.

- Time taken to raise load = 20.0 s
- Current in motor = 6.25 A
- Voltage applied to motor = 60.0 V
- Mass of load = 150 kg
- Height of shelf from floor = 4.15 m

(a) Calculate the electrical energy supplied to the motor to raise the load to the shelf.

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(b) Calculate the gain in potential energy of the load after it has been raised.

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12. (continued)

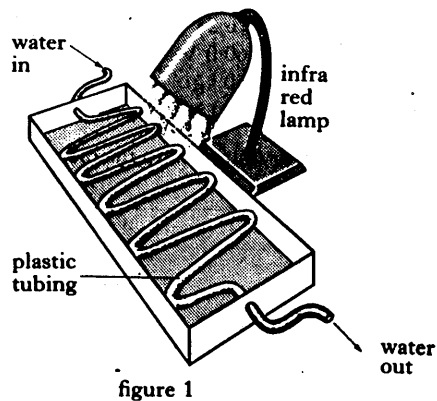
(c) Calculate the efficiency of the fork lift truck motor during this test.

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(d) Explain why the efficiency of the fork lift truck is not 100%.

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13. (a) A model of a rooftop solar panel is used to heat water as shown in figure 1.



A class tests the model in the laboratory and obtains the following results:

- Temperature of water flowing into panel = 15 °C
- Temperature of water flowing out of panel = 24 °C
- Mass of water flowing through panel each minute = 0.30 kg

(i) Calculate the amount of heat absorbed by the water in one minute.

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13. (a) (continued)

(ii) Suggest **two** changes to the design of the model which would increase the temperature of the water flowing out of the model.

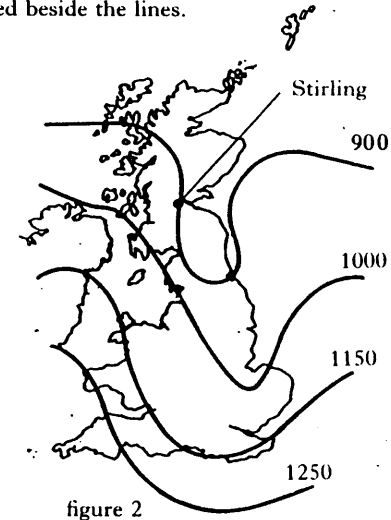
First change:

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Second change:

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(b) Figure 2 shows lines joining places in Britain which receive the same solar energy during one year. The number of kilowatt hours of energy received on each square metre is marked beside the lines.



(i) What is the solar energy which is received by each square metre in one year in Stirling?

Answer

(ii) Calculate the area of a rooftop solar panel in Stirling which would receive 3000 kWh of energy in one year.

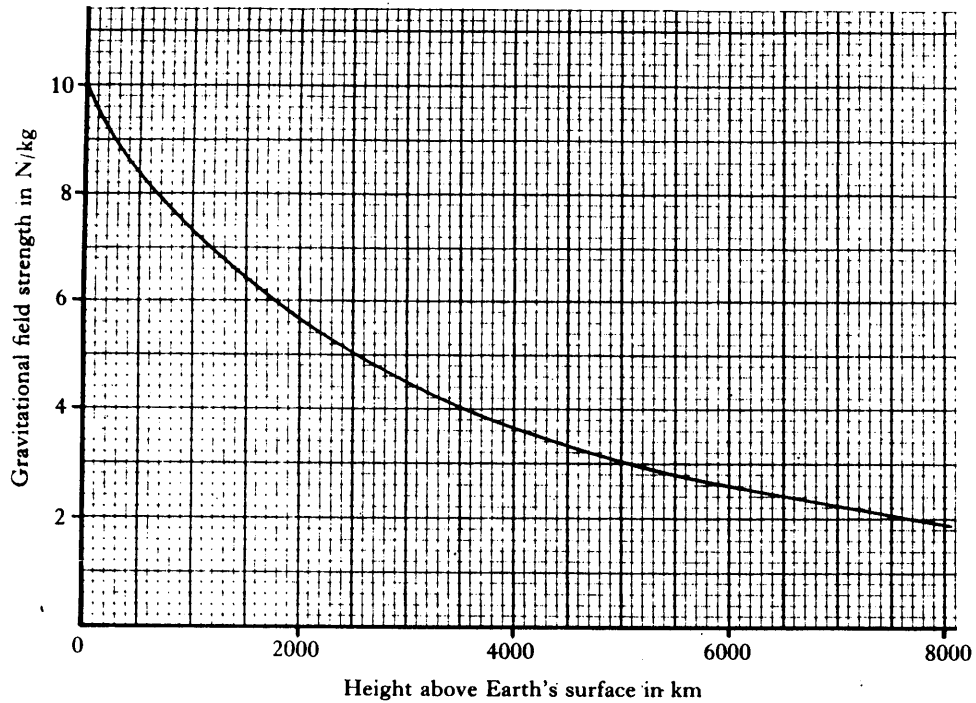
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(iii) A family in Stirling plans to use a solar panel which can produce 3000 kWh each year for heating water.

Why would a panel of the area you calculated in part (ii) be unable to provide this amount of energy?

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14. (a) The graph below shows the value of the gravitational field strength at various heights above the Earth's surface.



An astronaut of mass 80 kg orbits in a capsule at a height of 3000 km.

- (i) What is the gravitational field strength at this height?

Answer

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- (ii) Calculate the astronaut's weight at this height.

Space for working and answer

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- (iii) What is the mass of the astronaut when he returns to Earth?

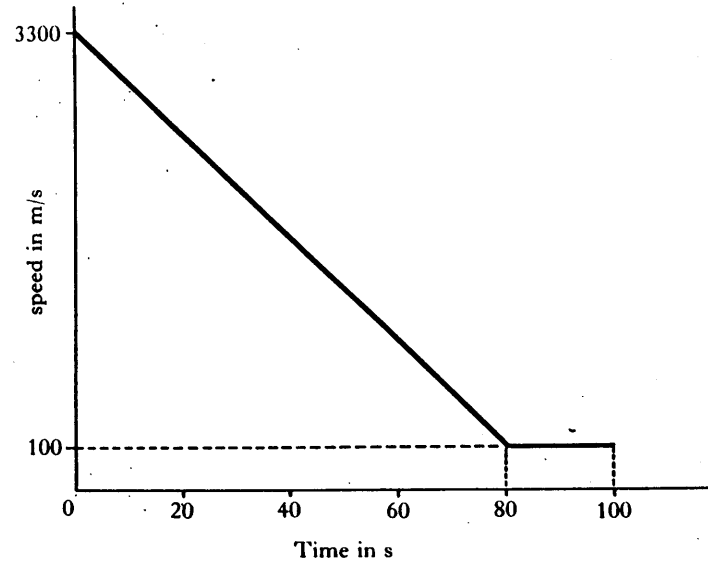
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14. (continued)

- (b) The sketch graph below shows how the speed of the space capsule changes with time during part of its journey back to Earth.



- (i) How far did the capsule travel in the 100 s shown?

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- (ii) Calculate the deceleration of the capsule before it reaches a constant speed.

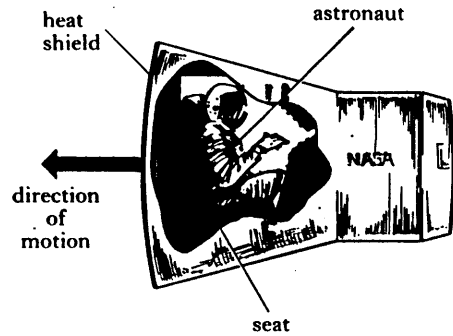
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14. (continued)

(c) During re-entry, the astronaut sits in the capsule as shown below.



Sitting in this position, the astronaut feels as if he is being pushed against the back of his seat during re-entry.

Using Newton's laws, explain why he experiences this feeling.

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(d) During re-entry some of the heat shield on the capsule melts.

Explain why this helps to keep the capsule cool.

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