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- 1 (a) (gravitational) potential at infinity defined as/is zero B1
- (gravitational) force attractive so work got out/done as object moves from infinity (so potential is negative) B1 [2]
- (b) (i) $\Delta E = m\Delta\phi$
 $= 180 \times (14 - 10) \times 10^8$ C1
 $= 7.2 \times 10^{10} \text{ J}$ A1
- increase B1 [3]
- (ii) energy required = $180 \times (10 - 4.4) \times 10^8$
 or
 energy per unit mass = $(10 - 4.4) \times 10^8$ C1
- $\frac{1}{2} \times 180 \times v^2 = 180 \times (10 - 4.4) \times 10^8$
 or
 $\frac{1}{2} \times v^2 = (10 - 4.4) \times 10^8$ C1
 $v = 3.3 \times 10^4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ A1 [3]
- 2 (a) e.g. time of collisions negligible compared to time between collisions
- no intermolecular forces (except during collisions)
- random motion (of molecules)
- large numbers of molecules
- (total) volume of molecules negligible compared to volume of containing vessel
 or
 average/mean separation large compared with size of molecules
- any two* B2 [2]
- 2 (b) (i) mass = $4.0 / (6.02 \times 10^{23}) = 6.6 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}$
 or
 mass = $4.0 \times 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \times 10^3 = 6.6 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}$ B1 [1]
- (ii) $\frac{3}{2} kT = \frac{1}{2} m \langle c^2 \rangle$ C1
- $\frac{3}{2} \times 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 300 = \frac{1}{2} \times 6.6 \times 10^{-27} \times \langle c^2 \rangle$
- $\langle c^2 \rangle = 1.88 \times 10^6 \text{ (m}^2\text{s}^{-2}\text{)}$ C1
- r.m.s. speed = $1.4 \times 10^3 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ A1 [3]

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- 3 (a) acceleration/force proportional to displacement (from fixed point) M1
 acceleration/force and displacement in opposite directions A1 [2]
- (b) maximum displacements/accelerations are different B1
 graph is curved/not a straight line B1 [2]
- (c) (i) $\omega = 2\pi / T$ and $T = 0.8$ s C1
 $\omega = 7.9 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ A1 [2]
- (ii) $a = (-)\omega^2 x$
 $= 7.85^2 \times 1.5 \times 10^{-2}$ C1
 $= 0.93 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ or 0.94 ms^{-2} A1 [2]
- (iii) $\Delta E = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 (x_0^2 - x^2)$ C1
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times 120 \times 10^{-3} \times 7.85^2 \times \{(1.5 \times 10^{-2})^2 - (0.9 \times 10^{-2})^2\}$ C1
 $= 5.3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ J}$ A1 [3]
- 4 (a) (i) product of speed and density M1
 reference to speed in medium (and density of medium) A1 [2]
- (ii) α : ratio of reflected intensity and/to incident intensity B1
 Z_1 and Z_2 : (specific) acoustic impedances of media (on each side of boundary) B1 [2]
- (b) in muscle: $I_M = I_0 e^{-\mu x}$
 $= I_0 \exp(-23 \times 3.4 \times 10^{-2})$ C1
 $I_M / I_0 = 0.457$ C1
 at boundary: $\alpha = (6.3 - 1.7)^2 / (6.3 + 1.7)^2$
 $= 0.33$ C1
 $I_T / I_M = [(1 - \alpha)] = 0.67$ C1
 $I_T / I_0 = 0.457 \times 0.67$
 $= 0.31$ A1 [5]

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5 (a) (i) 1011 A1 [1]

(ii)

0	0.25	0.50	0.75	1.00	1.25	1.50
1011	0110	1000	1110	0101	0011	0001

All 6 correct, 2 marks. 5 correct, 1 mark. A2 [2]

(b) sketch: 6 horizontal steps of width 0.25 ms shown M1
 steps at correct heights and all steps shown A1
 steps shown in correct time intervals A1 [3]

(c) increase sampling frequency/rate M1
 so that step width/depth is reduced A1
 increase number of bits (in each number) M1
 so that step height is reduced A1 [4]

6 (a) sketch: from $x = 0$ to $x = R$, potential is constant at V_s B1
 smooth curve through (R, V_s) and $(2R, 0.5V_s)$ B1
 smooth curve continues to $(3R, 0.33V_s)$ B1 [3]

(b) sketch: from $x = 0$ to $x = R$, field strength is zero B1
 smooth curve through (R, E) and $(2R, 0.25E)$ B1
 smooth curve continues to $(3R, 0.11E)$ B1 [3]

7 (a) line has non-zero intercept/line does not pass through origin B1
 charge is/should be proportional to potential (difference)
 or
 charge is/should be zero when p.d. is zero
 (therefore there is a systematic error) B1 [2]

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	(b) reasonable attempt at line of best fit	B1	
	use of gradient of line of best fit clear	M1	
	$C = 2800 \mu\text{F}$ (allow $\pm 200 \mu\text{F}$)	A1	[3]
	(c) energy = $\frac{1}{2} CV^2$ or energy = $\frac{1}{2} QV$ <u>and</u> $C = Q / V$	C1	
	$\Delta \text{energy} = \frac{1}{2} \times 2800 \times 10^{-6} \times (9.0^2 - 6.0^2)$	C1	
	$= 6.3 \times 10^{-2} \text{ J}$	A1	[3]
8	(a) op-amp has infinite/(very) large gain	B1	
	op-amp saturates if $V^+ \neq V^-$	M1	
	V^+ is at earth potential so P (or V^-) must be at earth	A1	[3]
	(b) input resistance to op-amp is very large or current in $R_2 =$ current in R_1	B1	
	$V_{\text{IN}}(-0) = IR_2$ <u>and</u> $(0) - V_{\text{OUT}} = IR_1$	M1	
	$V_{\text{OUT}} / V_{\text{IN}} = -R_1 / R_2$	A1	[3]
	(c) relay coil connected between V_{OUT} and earth	M1	
	correct diode symbol connected between V_{OUT} and coil or between coil and earth	M1	
	correct polarity for diode ('clockwise')	A1	[3]
9	(a) 0.10 mm	B1	[1]
	(b) $V_{\text{H}} = (0.13 \times 3.8) / (6.0 \times 10^{28} \times 0.10 \times 10^{-3} \times 1.60 \times 10^{-19})$	C1	
	$= 5.1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ V}$	A1	[2]
10	(a) (non-uniform) magnetic flux <u>in core</u> is changing	M1	
	induces (different) e.m.f. in (different parts of) the core	A1	
	(eddy) currents form in the core	M1	
	which give rise to heating	A1	[4]

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(b)	as magnet falls, tube cuts magnetic flux	M1	
	e.m.f./ (eddy) currents induced in metal/aluminium (tube)	A1	
	(eddy) current heating of tube	M1	
	with energy taken from falling magnet	A1	
	<i>or</i>		
	(eddy) currents produce magnetic field	(M1)	
	that opposes motion of magnet	(A1)	
	so magnet B has acceleration $< g$		
	<i>or</i>		
	magnet B has smaller acceleration/reaches terminal speed	A1	[5]
11 (a)	period = 15 ms	C1	
	frequency ($= 1 / T$) = 67 Hz	A1	[2]
(b)	zero	A1	[1]
(c)	$I_{\text{r.m.s.}} = I_0 / \sqrt{2}$	C1	
	= 0.53 A	A1	[2]
(d)	energy = $I_{\text{r.m.s.}}^2 \times R \times t$ or $\frac{1}{2} I_0^2 \times R \times t$		
	<i>or</i>		
	power = $I_{\text{r.m.s.}}^2 \times R$ and energy = power $\times t$	C1	
	energy = $0.53^2 \times 450 \times 30 \times 10^{-3}$		
	= 3.8 J	A1	[2]
12 (a)	(in a solid electrons in) neighbouring atoms are close together (and influence/interact with each other)	M1	
	this changes their electron energy levels	M1	
	(many atoms in lattice) cause a spread of energy levels into a band	A1	[3]

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- (b) photons of light give energy to electrons in valence band B1
- electrons move into the conduction band M1
- leaving holes in the valence band A1
- these electrons and holes are charge carriers B1
- increased number/increased current, hence reduced resistance B1 [5]

13 (a) e.g. background count (rate)/radiation

multiple possible counts from each decay

radiation emitted in all directions

dead-time of counter

(daughter) product unstable/also emits radiation

self-absorption of radiation in sample or absorption in air/detector window

three sensible suggestions, 1 each B3 [3]

(b) $A = A_0 \exp(-\ln 2 \times t / T_{1/2})$

$$1.21 \times 10^2 = 3.62 \times 10^4 \exp(-\ln 2 \times 42.0 / T_{1/2})$$

or

$$1.21 \times 10^2 = 3.62 \times 10^4 \exp(-\lambda \times 42.0)$$

C1

$$T_{1/2} = 5.1 \text{ minutes (306 s)}$$

A1

[2]

- (c) discrete energy levels (in nuclei) B1 [1]