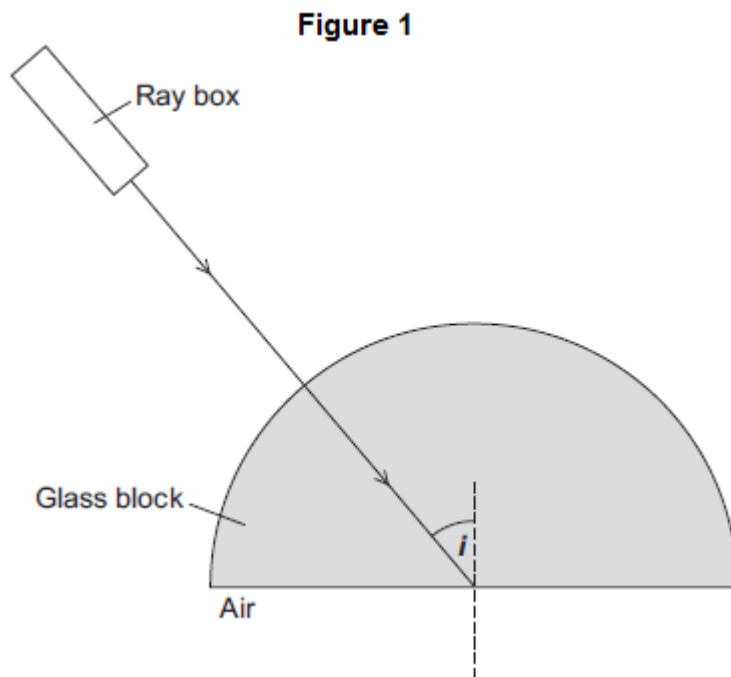


Q1.

Figure 1 shows a ray of light travelling through a semicircular glass block. The angle of incidence is labelled i .



- (a) (i) The angle of incidence i equals the critical angle for the glass.

Complete **Figure 1** to show what happens to the ray of light at the glass-to-air boundary.

(1)

- (ii) The critical angle for the glass is 41° .

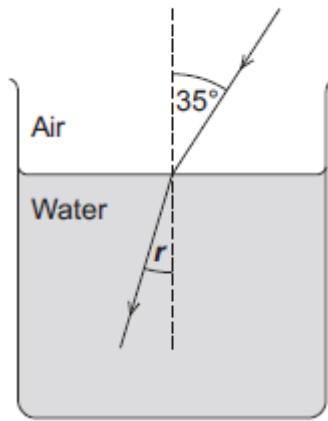
Calculate the refractive index of the glass.

Refractive index = _____

(2)

- (b) **Figure 2** shows what happens to a ray of light as it meets the boundary between air and water.

Figure 2



Not to scale

The refractive index of the water is 1.3.

Calculate the angle of refraction r .

Angle of refraction = _____ degrees

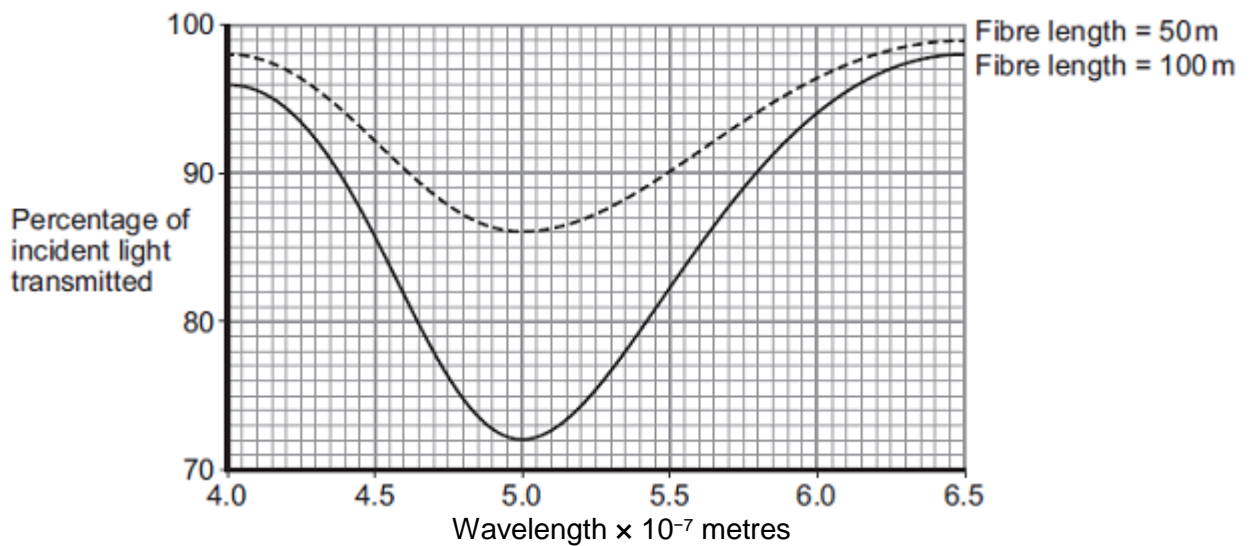
(3)

(Total 6 marks)

Q2.

Different wavelengths of light can be used to transmit information along optical fibres.

The graph below shows how the percentage of incident light transmitted through a fibre varies with the wavelength of light and the length of the fibre.



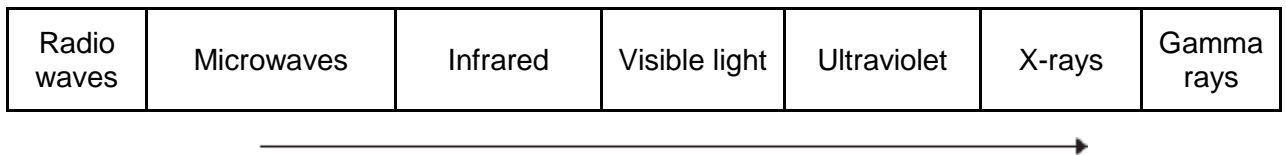
Compare the percentages of incident light transmitted through the two different fibres over the range of wavelengths shown.

(Total 3 marks)

Q3.

Different parts of the electromagnetic spectrum have different uses.

(a) The diagram shows the electromagnetic spectrum.



(i) Use the correct answers from the box to complete the sentence.

amplitude frequency speed wavelength

The arrow in the diagram is in the direction of increasing _____
and decreasing _____ .

(2)

(ii) Draw a ring around the correct answer to complete the sentence.

The range of wavelengths for waves in the electromagnetic

spectrum is approximately

10^{-15} to 10^4
10^{-4} to 10^4
10^4 to 10^{15}

metres.

(1)

(b) The wavelength of a radio wave is 1500 m.

The speed of radio waves is 3.0×10^8 m / s.

Calculate the frequency of the radio wave.

Give the unit.

Frequency = _____

(3)

- (c) (i) State **one** hazard of exposure to infrared radiation.

(1)

- (ii) State **one** hazard of exposure to ultraviolet radiation.

(1)

- (d) X-rays are used in hospitals for computed tomography (CT) scans.

- (i) State **one** other medical use for X-rays.

(1)

- (ii) State a property of X-rays that makes them suitable for your answer in part (d)(i).

(1)

- (iii) The scientific unit of measurement used to measure the dose received from radiations, such as X-rays or background radiation, is the millisievert (mSv).

The table shows the X-ray dose resulting from CT scans of various parts of the body.

The table also shows the time it would take to get the same dose from background radiation.

Part of the body	X-ray dose in mSv	Time it would take to get the same dose from background radiation
Abdomen	9.0	3 years

Sinuses	0.5	2 months
Spine	4.0	16 months

A student suggests that the X-ray dose and the time it would take to get the same dose from background radiation are directly proportional.

Use calculations to test this suggestion and state your conclusion.

(3)
(Total 13 marks)

Q4.

- (a) The wavelengths of four different types of electromagnetic wave, including visible light waves, are given in the table.

Type of wave	Wavelength
Visible light	0.0005 mm
A	1.1 km
B	100 mm
C	0.18 mm

Which of the waves, **A**, **B**, or **C**, is an infra red wave?

(1)

- (b) A TV station broadcasts at 500 000 kHz. The waves travel through the air at 300 000 000 m/s.

Calculate the wavelength of the waves broadcast by this station.

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

Wavelength = _____ m

(2)

- (c) What happens when a metal aerial absorbs radio waves?

(2)

- (d) Stars emit all types of electromagnetic waves. Telescopes that monitor X-rays are mounted on satellites in space.

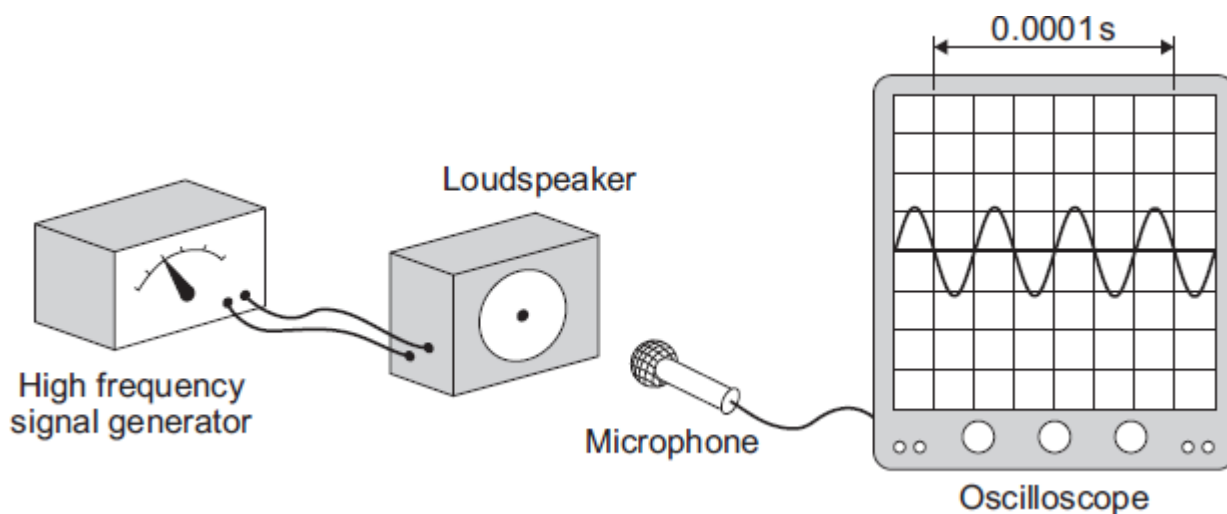
Why would an X-ray telescope based on Earth **not** be able to detect X-rays emitted from distant stars?

(1)

(Total 6 marks)

Q5.

- (a) The diagram shows a microphone being used to detect the output from a loudspeaker. The oscilloscope trace shows the wave pattern produced by the loudspeaker.



- (i) How many waves are produced by the loudspeaker in 0.0001 seconds?

(1)

- (ii) How many waves are produced by the loudspeaker every second? Assume the input to the loudspeaker does not change.

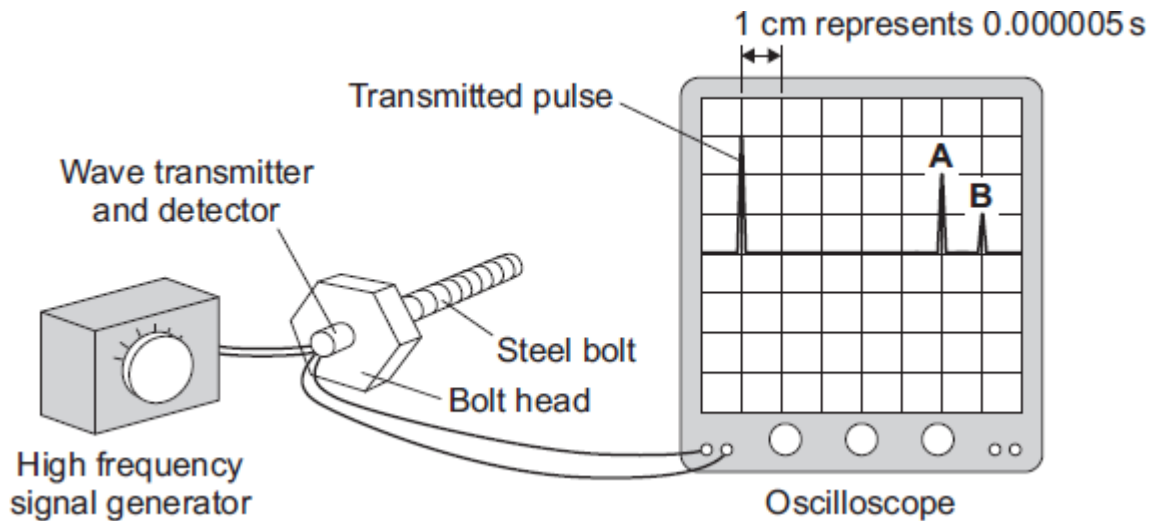
(1)

- (iii) A person with normal hearing cannot hear the sound produced by the loudspeaker.

Explain why.

(2)

- (b) The diagram shows how a very high frequency sound wave can be used to check for internal cracks in a large steel bolt. The oscilloscope trace shows that the bolt does have an internal crack.



- (i) Explain what happens to produce pulse A and pulse B.

(2)

- (ii) Use the information in the diagram and the equation in the box to calculate the distance from the head of the bolt to the internal crack.

$$\text{distance} = \text{speed} \times \text{time}$$

Speed of sound through steel = 6000 m/s

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

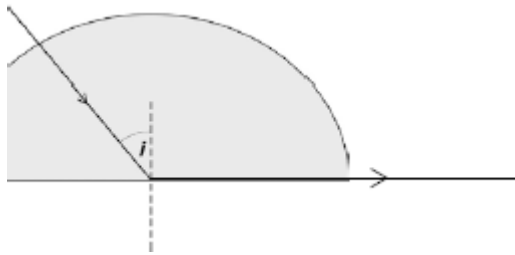
(3)

(Total 9 marks)

Mark schemes

Q1.

- (a) (i) line drawn at 90 degrees to the normal:



ignore (partial) reflection of the ray

1

- (ii) 1.5

*award both marks for an answer that rounds to 1.5
award 1 mark for correct substitution ie $1 / \sin 41$
or $1 / 0.656(059)$*

2

- (b) 26

*award 3 marks for an answer that rounds to 26
award 2 marks for*

$$1.3 = \frac{0.57(3576)}{\sin r}$$

or

$$r = \sin^{-1}(0.57(3576) / 1.3)$$

award 1 mark for correct substitution. ie $1.3 = \frac{\sin 35}{\sin r}$

or

$\sin 35^\circ$ shown correctly, ie 0.57(3576), or used correctly in the calculation

an answer of 0.44 scores 2 marks

an answer of 26.9 scores 0

3

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Q2.

(for both fibres) increasing the wavelength of light decreases and then increases the percentage / amount of light transmitted

accept for 1 mark:

(for both fibres) increasing the wavelength (of light) to 5×10^{-7} metres), decreases the (percentage) transmission

1

(for both fibres) the minimum transmission happens at 5×10^{-7} metres)

or

maximum transmission occurs at 6.5×10^{-7} metres)

accept for a further 1 mark:

(for both fibres) increasing the wavelength of the light from 5

*(x 10⁻⁷ metres) increases the amount of light transmitted
increasing wavelength (of light), decreases the percentage
transmitted is insufficient on its own*

1

the shorter fibre transmits a greater percentage of light (at the same wavelength)

accept for 1 mark:

*Any statement that correctly processes data to compare the
fibres*

1

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Q3.

(a) (i) frequency

1

wavelength

1

(ii) 10⁻¹⁵ to 10⁴

1

(b) 2.0 × 10⁵

*correct substitution of
3.0 × 10⁸ / 1500 gains 1 mark*

2

Hz

1

(c) (i) (skin) burns

1

(ii) skin cancer / blindness

1

(d) (i) any **one** from:

- (detecting) bone fractures
- (detecting) dental problems
- treating cancer

1

(ii) any **one** from:

- affect photographic film
- absorbed by bone
- transmitted by soft tissue
- kill (cancer) cells

answer must link to answer given in (d)(i)

1

(iii) 9 / 36 = 0.25

0.5 / 2 = 0.25

4 / 16 = 0.25

accept:

36 / 9 = 4

$$2 / 0.5 = 4$$

$$16 / 4 = 4$$

2

conclusion based on calculation

two calculations correct with a valid conclusion scores 2 marks

one correct calculation of k scores 1 mark

1

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Q4.

(a) C or 0.18 mm

1

(b) 0.6 (m)

allow 1 mark for correct substitution and/or transformation or 1 mark for changing frequency to Hz

answer 600 gains 1 mark

2

(c) creates an alternating current

*accept 'ac' for alternating current
accept alternating voltage*

1

with the same frequency as the radio wave

accept signal for radio wave

accept it gets hotter for 1 mark provided no other marks scored

1

(d) X-rays cannot penetrate the atmosphere

accept atmosphere stops X-rays

*do **not** accept atmosphere in the way*

or

X-rays are absorbed (by the atmosphere) before reaching Earth

ignore explanations

1

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Q5.

(a) (i) 3

1

(ii) 30 000 **or** 10 000 × their (a)(i) correctly calculated

1

(iii) any **two** from:

- frequency is above 20 000 (Hz)

accept the frequency is 30 000

- frequency is above the upper limit of audible range
- upper limit of audible range equals 20 000 (Hz)
ignore reference to lower limit
- it is ultrasound/ultrasonic

2

(b) (i) wave (partially) reflected

1

at crack to produce **A** and end of bolt to produce **B**
accept at both ends of the crack

1

(ii) 0.075 (m) allow **2** marks for time = 0.0000125
allow 1 mark for time = 0.000025
answers 0.15 or 0.015 or 0.09 gain 2 marks
answers 0.18 or 0.03 gain 1 mark

the unit is not required but if given must be consistent with numerical answer for the available marks

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