

- 1 A slope is made by resting one end of a plank of wood on a block, as shown in Fig. 1.1.

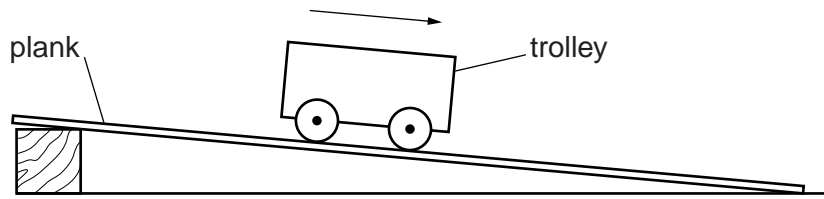


Fig. 1.1

Three students each use a digital stopwatch to time a small trolley rolling down the full length of the slope.

The times on their stopwatches as the trolley reached the bottom of the slope are shown in Fig. 1.2.

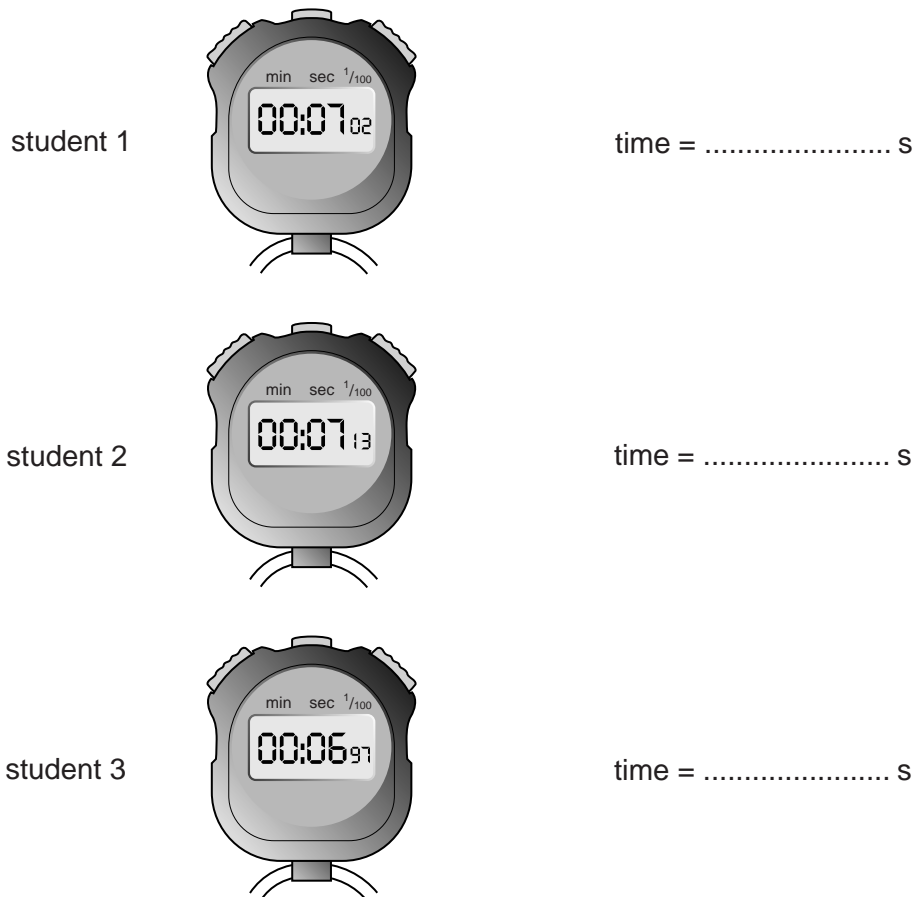


Fig. 1.2

- (a) On the line next to each stopwatch, write the time measured by each student. [1]

- (b) Calculate the average time measured for the trolley to roll down the slope. Show your working.

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average time = s [2]

- (c) What other measurement must be taken in order to be able to calculate the average speed of the trolley?

..... [1]

- (d) Suggest one change that might be made to the arrangement in Fig. 1.1 so that the same trolley takes less time to roll down the full length of the slope.

..... [1]

[Total: 5]

- 2 A lorry travels at constant speed for 50 s and then steadily slows down, taking another 50 s to come to a stop.

Fig. 2.1 is the speed-time graph for the 100 s.

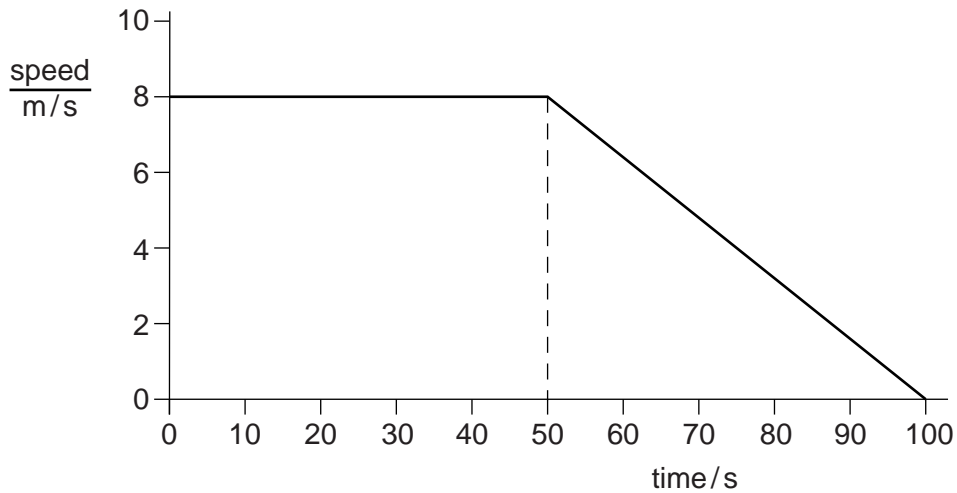


Fig. 2.1

- (a) Calculate the distance travelled by the lorry in the first 50 s.

distance = m [3]

- (b) Calculate the distance travelled between 50 s and 100 s.

distance = m [2]

- (c) Calculate the total distance travelled.

distance = m [1]

- (d) (i) A car takes 60s to travel the distance calculated in (c) at a constant speed.
Calculate the speed of the car.

speed = [3]

- (ii) On Fig. 2.1, draw the speed-time graph for the 60s at this constant speed. [2]

[Total: 11]

- 3 (a) (i) State one example of a fuel in which chemical energy is stored.

..... [1]

- (ii) State one example of a renewable source of energy.

..... [1]

- (iii) State one energy resource that involves liquid water (not steam).

..... [1]

- (b) State two reasons why it is important that nations investigate energy resources other than fossil fuels (coal, oil, natural gas).

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2.
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[2]

[Total: 5]

4 (a) Fig. 4.1 shows a boy in four positions on a flat floor.

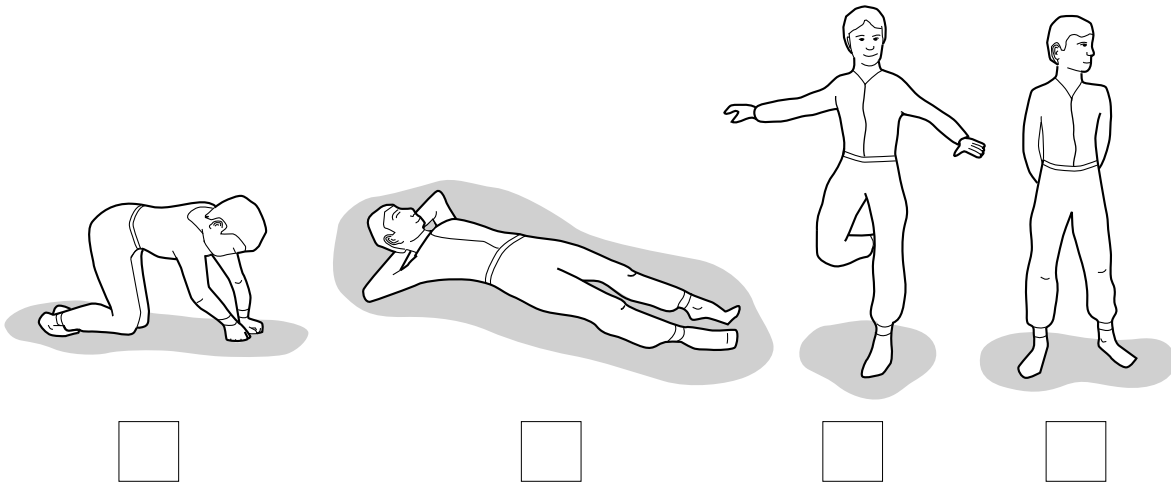


Fig. 4.1

- (i) Put a tick in the box under the position where the boy is exerting the **least** pressure on the floor.
- (ii) State the reason for your answer to (a)(i).

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[2]

(b) The pressure of carbon dioxide in a container is being measured by means of a mercury manometer. This is shown in Fig. 4.2.

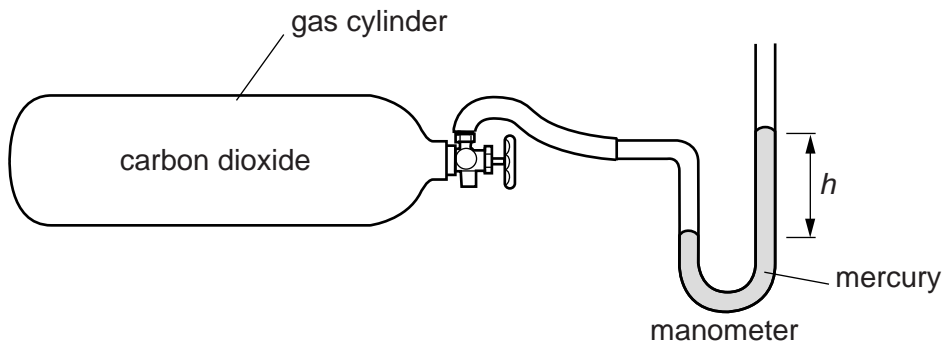


Fig. 4.2

- (i) How does the pressure of the carbon dioxide compare with atmospheric pressure? Complete the sentence below.

The pressure of the carbon dioxide is the atmospheric pressure. [1]

- (ii) The atmospheric pressure increases.

State what happens to the value of the distance h , shown on Fig. 4.2.

..... [1]

[Total: 4]

- 5 Fig. 5.1 shows a wave on a water surface, at a particular instant.

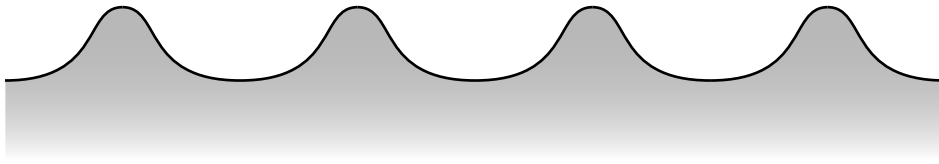


Fig. 5.1

- (a) On Fig. 5.1, measure carefully, in mm, the wavelength of the wave.

wavelength = mm [2]

- (b) State what is meant by

- (i) the *frequency* of a wave,

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- (ii) the *amplitude* of a wave.

.....

[3]

- (c) A large barrier, of height greater than the height of the wave in Fig. 5.1, is put in the path of the wave.

What, if anything, does this do to the wave? Tick one box.

It diffracts the wave.

It does nothing to the wave.

It reflects the wave.

It refracts the wave.

[1]

[Total: 6]

6 (a) A certain mass of water at 20°C is heated using a 30W immersion heater.

Initially the temperature rises at 4°C per minute.

Eventually, the temperature stops rising at 100°C .

The same mass of glycerol at 20°C is heated using the same 30W immersion heater.

Initially the temperature rises at 8°C per minute.

Eventually, the temperature stops rising at 290°C .

State and explain

(i) which has the greater boiling point, water or glycerol,

statement

explanation

.....

(ii) which has the greater thermal capacity, the water or the glycerol.

statement

explanation

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[3]

(b) Fig. 6.1 shows a cross-section through a room.

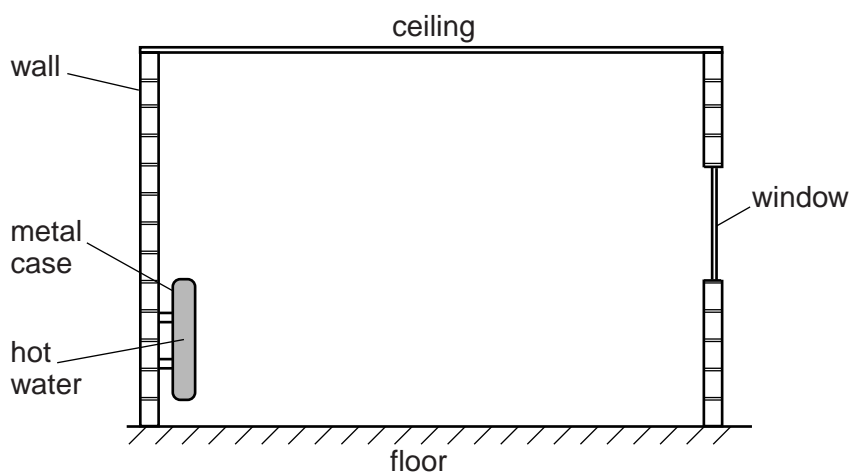


Fig. 6.1

The room is heated by a heater containing hot water. The heater is mounted on one wall, as shown.

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(i) By what process does thermal energy pass through the metal case of the heater in Fig. 6.1?

..... [1]

(ii) State the two main processes by which the thermal energy from the heater is transferred to the whole room.

1.

2.

[2]

(iii) One of the processes in (b)(ii) involves the air moving.

On Fig. 6.1, draw arrows to show how the air moves in the room. [2]

[Total: 8]

7 Fig. 7.1 shows circuit symbols for four electrical components.

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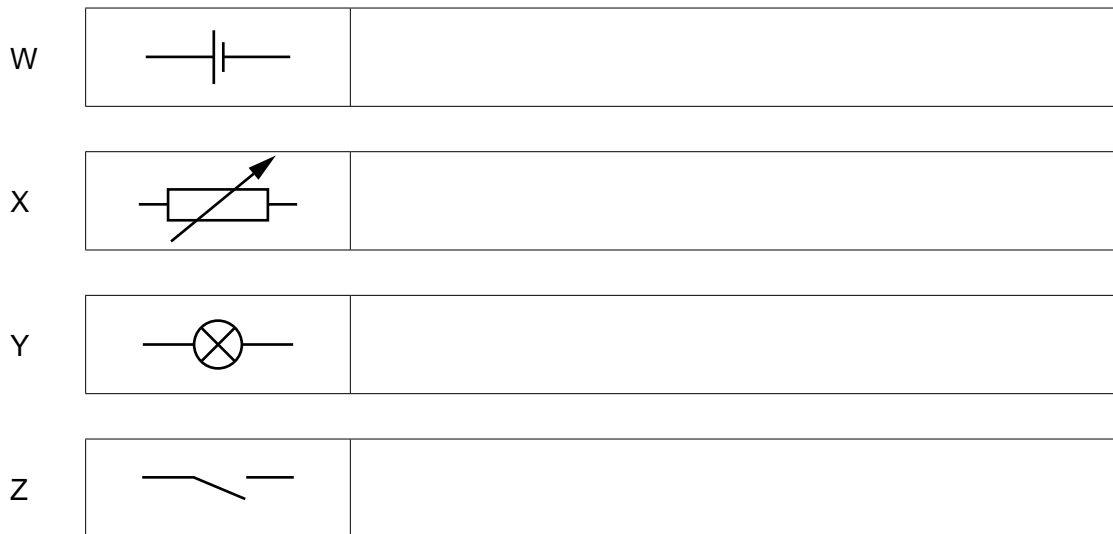


Fig. 7.1

(a) In the box next to each component, write the name of that component. [4]

(b) In the space below, draw a circuit diagram that shows these four components connected in series with an ammeter.

[2]

(c) The reading on the ammeter is gradually increased.

Which one of the components is adjusted in order to do this? Tick one box.

W

X

Y

Z

[1]

[Total: 7]

8 An IGCSE Physics student is set a puzzle by his teacher.

He is given four rods, A, B, C and D, all painted white. He is told that two rods are permanent magnets, another rod is made of iron and the final rod is made of copper. His teacher asks him to find out, by experiment, which rod is which.

Fig. 8.1 shows the results the student obtains when he puts the rods next to each other.

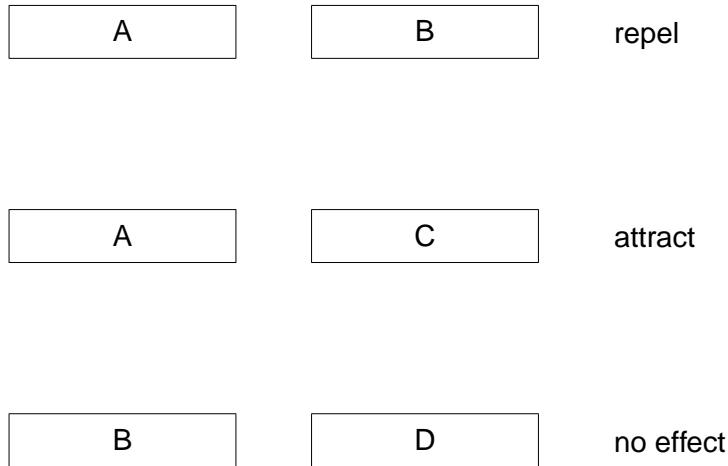


Fig. 8.1

- (a) Which two rods are magnets? and [1]
- (b) Which is the iron rod? [1]
- (c) Which is the copper rod? [1]
- (d) What will be the result of putting
 - (i) B and C end to end, [1]
 - (ii) C and D end to end? [2]

[Total: 5]

- 9 Fig. 9.1 shows a thick, vertical copper rod AB, of negligible resistance, connected into an electrical circuit. AB passes through a hole in a horizontal card PQRS.

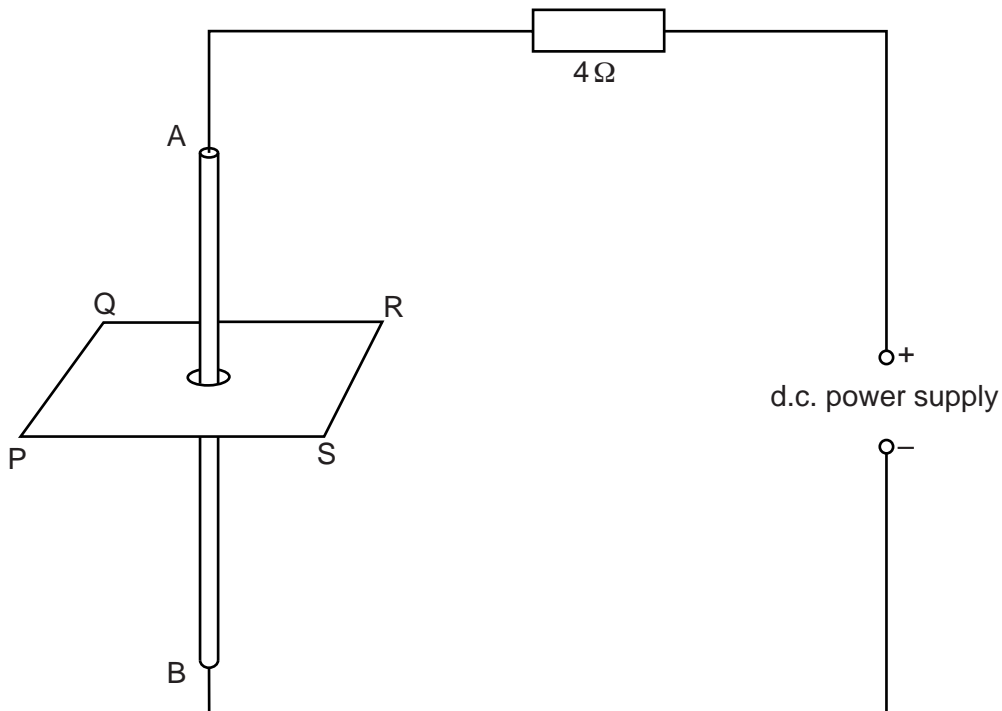


Fig. 9.1

- (a) The d.c. power supply produces a current in the circuit, which causes a magnetic field around AB.
- (i) Fig. 9.2 shows the view from above of the card PQRS, with the hole through which AB passes.

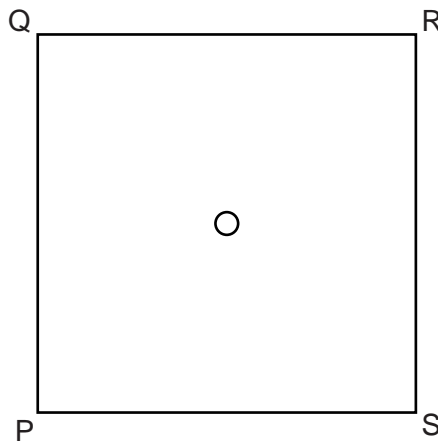


Fig. 9.2

On Fig. 9.2, draw the pattern of the magnetic field around AB. Include at least **four** magnetic field lines. [3]

(ii) Describe briefly how the pattern of the magnetic field may be shown experimentally.

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..... [2]

(b) The d.c. power supply contains a circuit breaker that operates at a current of 5 A.

(i) What is the purpose of the circuit breaker?

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..... [1]

(ii) The power supply is set at 12V and then switched on. The resistor has a resistance of 4 Ω.

1. Calculate the current in the circuit of Fig. 9.1.

current = A

2. Deduce what, if anything, happens to the circuit breaker.

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..... [4]

[Total: 10]

10 Fig. 10.1 shows a ray of light incident on a plane mirror at point A.

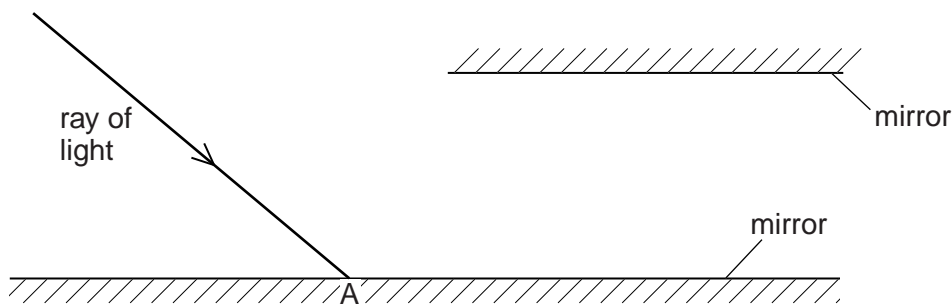


Fig. 10.1

(a) The construction in this question requires you to draw rays carefully.

On Fig. 10.1,

- (i) draw the normal to the mirror at A,
- (ii) draw the ray reflected at A,
- (iii) label the angles of incidence i and reflection r at A, using the letters i and r .

[3]

(b) Which of the following equations correctly links i and r ? Tick one box.

$i + r = 90^\circ$

$i + r = 180^\circ$

$i = r$

[1]

(c) A second mirror is positioned as shown in Fig. 10.1, parallel to the first mirror.

- (i) Continue the ray reflected from A, to show what happens to it after it reaches the second mirror. [2]
- (ii) State how the direction of the ray, after it has reflected from both mirrors, compares with its original direction.

..... [1]

[Total: 7]

11 (a) Radon-220 is a radioactive gas. It decays by emitting α -particles. An α -particle is a helium nucleus.

(i) What four particles together make up an α -particle?

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(ii) Suggest one reason why the fact that radon-220 is a gas makes it potentially more dangerous than an α -emitting solid source of similar activity.

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[4]

(b) In the situations illustrated in Fig. 11.1, the radioactive source is emitting α -particles, β -particles and γ -rays. The detector is sensitive to all three types of radiation. The apparatus is in air.

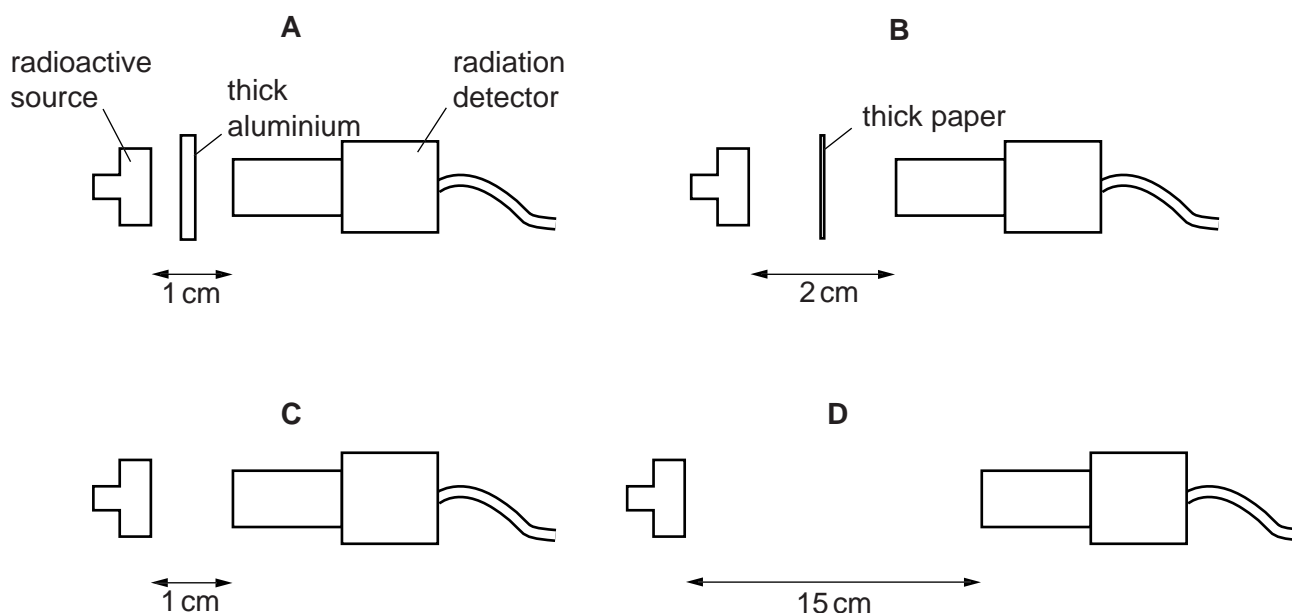


Fig. 11.1 (not to scale)

Ignore background radiation.

State one of the situations, **A**, **B**, **C** or **D** where

(i) α -particles are detected,

(ii) only β -particles and γ -rays are detected,

(iii) only γ -rays are detected,

(iv) α -particles, β -particles and γ -rays are all detected.

[4]

[Total: 8]

12 Fig. 12.1 shows a locked box.

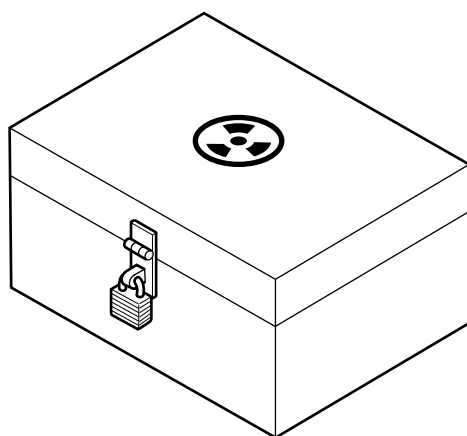


Fig. 12.1

(a) Suggest what is stored in this box.

..... [1]

(b) Suggest why the box is locked.

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..... [1]

(c) The interior of the box is lined with thick lead.

Suggest the reason for this.

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..... [2]

[Total: 4]

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