



## AP<sup>®</sup> Physics C 1989 Scoring Guidelines

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SOLUTIONS

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Distribution  
of points

Mech 1.

(a) 3 points

For any statement of conservation of energy

1 point

For an equation containing three correct terms:

$$mgh = mgh_C + \frac{1}{2}mv_C^2$$

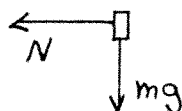
1 point

$$h = h_C + \frac{v_C^2}{2g} = 0.5 \text{ m} + \frac{(4 \text{ m/s})^2}{2(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)}$$

$$h = 1.3 \text{ m}$$

1 point

(b) 3 points



For one correct force

2 points

For second correct force

1 point

1 point was deducted if any extraneous forces were shown.

(c) 3 points

For centripetal force equation:  $F_c = \frac{mv^2}{r}$

1 point

For recognition that  $v_B = v_C = 4 \text{ m/s}$

1 point

$$F_c = (0.1 \text{ kg})(4 \text{ m/s})^2 / (0.5 \text{ m}) = 3.2 \text{ N}$$

1 point

Only 2 points were awarded for a correct calculation of the net force, instead of the force exerted by the track.

(d) 3 points

For any statement of applicable equation:  $v_f^2 - v_i^2 = 2a \Delta y$

1 point

For recognition that  $v_i = v_C \sin 30^\circ = 2 \text{ m/s}$

1 point

$$\Delta y = -\frac{v_i^2}{2a} = \frac{v_i^2}{2g}$$

$$\Delta y = (2 \text{ m/s})^2 / 2(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2) = 0.2 \text{ m} \quad \underline{\text{or}} \quad y = 0.7 \text{ m}$$

1 point

Alternate Solution I

(Alternate points)

$$v_f = v_i - gt = 0$$

(1 point)

$$v_i = v_C \sin 30^\circ = 2 \text{ m/s}$$

(1 point)

$$t = \frac{v_i}{g} = \frac{2 \text{ m/s}}{9.8 \text{ m/s}^2} = 0.2 \text{ s}$$

$$y = y_i + v_i t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

$$= 0.5 \text{ m} + (2 \text{ m/s})(0.2 \text{ s}) - \frac{1}{2}(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)(0.2 \text{ s})^2$$

$$y = 0.7 \text{ m} \quad \underline{\text{or}} \quad \Delta y = 0.2 \text{ m}$$

(1 point)

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Mech 1. (continued)

Alternate Solution IIFor conserving energy:  $\frac{1}{2}m(v_{iy}^2 + v_{ix}^2) + mgh_C = mgy + \frac{1}{2}mv_{ix}^2$  (1 point) $v_{iy} = v_C \sin 30^\circ = 2 \text{ m/s}$  (1 point) $\frac{1}{2}(2 \text{ m/s})^2 + (9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)(0.5 \text{ m}) = (9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)y$   
 $y = 0.7 \text{ m}$  (1 point)

If part (a) was solved correctly, conservation of energy is used to solve (d), and the answer obtained is  $y = 1.3 \text{ m}$ , only 1 point was awarded for (d). If (a) was incorrect, this same solution to (d) was awarded 2 points.

(e) 3 points

For any indication that the work equals some change in energy 1 point

$$W = E_C - E_A = mgh_C + \frac{1}{2}mv_C^2 - mgh_A$$
 1 point

$$W = (0.1 \text{ kg})[(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)(0.5 \text{ m}) + \frac{1}{2}(4 \text{ m/s})^2 - (9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)(2 \text{ m})]$$
  
 $= -0.7 \text{ J}$  1 point

Alternate Solution (Alternate points)

$$W = \Delta E$$
 (1 point)

$$= mgh_{\text{part(a)}} - mgh_{\text{part(e)}}$$
 (1 point)

$$W = (0.1 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)[1.3 \text{ m} - 2 \text{ m}] = -0.7 \text{ J}$$
 (1 point)

Mech 2.

(a) 3 points

For Newton's 2nd Law:  $\sum F = ma$  1 point

For applying Newton's 2nd Law to block A:

$$\sum F = 2Mg - T_v$$
 1 point

$$2Mg - T_v = 2Ma$$

$$T_v = 2M(g - a) \text{ or equivalent}$$
 1 point

(b) 5 points

For relating torque to rotational motion:  $\sum \tau = I\alpha$  1 pointFor relating  $\alpha$  to  $a$ :  $a = \alpha R$  1 pointFor relating torque to tension:  $\tau = TR$  1 pointFor calculating the net torque:  $\sum \tau = T_v R - T_h R$  1 point

$$T_v R - T_h R = I \frac{a}{R} = 3MRa$$

$$T_h = \frac{1}{R}(T_v R - 3MRa) = 2M(g - a) - 3Ma$$

$$T_h = 2Mg - 5Ma$$
 1 point

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Mech. 2. (continued)

(c) 4 points

$$f = \mu N$$

1 point

For use of correct normal force:  $N = 4Mg$

1 point

For correctly applying 2nd Law to block B:

$$T_h - f = 3Ma$$

1 point

$$2Mg - 5Ma - 4\mu Mg = 3Ma$$

$$4\mu Mg = 2Mg - 8Ma$$

1 point

$$\mu = (2g - 8a)/4g$$

$$= [2(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2) - 8(2 \text{ m/s}^2)]/4(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)$$

$$\mu = 0.1$$

(d) 3 points

For including only the frictional force in 2nd Law:  $f = ma_C$

1 point

For using  $m = 4M$

1 point

$$4M\mu g = 4Ma_C$$

$$a_C = \mu g = (0.1)(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)$$

$$a_C = 1 \text{ m/s}^2$$

1 point

Mech. 3

(a) 3 points

$$mgh = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$$v = \sqrt{2gh}$$

For either or both equations

1 point

For correct substitution:  $v = \sqrt{2(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)(0.45 \text{ m})}$

1 point

$$v = 3.0 \text{ m/s}$$

1 point

Alternate Solution

(Alternate points)

$$\Delta y = \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

$$v = gt$$

$$v^2 = 2g \Delta y$$

(1 point)

For correct substitution

(1 point)

For correct answer

(1 point)

(b) 3 points

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$$

1 point

For correct substitution:  $T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{2 \text{ kg}}{200 \text{ N/m}}}$  or  $T = \frac{2\pi}{10 \text{ Hz}}$

1 point

$$T = 0.63 \text{ s}$$

1 point

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Mech. 3. (continued)

(c) 3 points

For any one of the following:

- 1)  $\sum F = 0$
- 2) Correct force diagram
- 3)  $a = 0$  when  $v$  is maximum
- 4)  $ky = mg$

1 point

For correct substitution into 4) above:  $y = \frac{(2 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)}{(200 \text{ N/m})}$ 

1 point

 $y = 0.098 \text{ m}$  or  $0.1 \text{ m}$ 

1 point

(d) 3 points

For use of conservation of energy

1 point

For use of an appropriate reference level  
for potential energy

1 point

For example:

$$\frac{1}{2}ky^2 = mg(y + 0.45 \text{ m}) \quad \text{or} \quad mgy + \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

For use of the quadratic formula to solve above equation

1 point

 $y = 0.41 \text{ m}$  or  $0.42 \text{ m}$ 

(e) 2 points

For any one of the following:

1 point

- 1) An indication of subtracting the answer to (c) from the answer to (d)
- 2) Calculating both roots of the quadratic, and taking half their difference
- 3) Indication that in the quadratic solution  $\alpha \pm \beta$ ,  $\alpha$  is the equilibrium point and  $\beta$  is the amplitude

For correct answer:  $A = 0.31 \text{ m}$  or  $0.32 \text{ m}$ 

1 point

(This answer must be the correct value - part (e) is where credit is earned for correct math in solving quadratic equation of part (d))

Additional 1 point awarded for correct use of units  
and no incorrect units

1 point

Full credit for part (c) can be obtained by:

Solving (e) through second or third method

Indicating that maximum speed occurs at equilibrium

Finding the equilibrium point, using answer to (d) as necessary

E &amp; M 1.

(a) 2 points

 $E = 0$  because the net charge is zero

2 points

(b) 2 points

 $V = 0$  because the net charge is zero

2 points

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E &amp; M 1. (continued)

(c) 5 points

For some statement of Gauss' Law:  $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = q/\epsilon_0$  1 pointFor any attempt to calculate the portion of the negative charge within the radius  $r$  1 point

$$\text{Portion of negative charge} = -Q \frac{(4/3)\pi r^3}{(4/3)\pi R^3} = \frac{-Qr^3}{R^3}$$

Total charge inside  $r$ :  $Q - \frac{Qr^3}{R^3}$  1 point

$$A = 4\pi r^2 \quad 1 \text{ point}$$

$$E(4\pi r^2) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \left[ Q - \frac{Qr^3}{R^3} \right]$$

$$E = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{r}{R^3} \right] \text{ or equivalent} \quad 1 \text{ point}$$

(d) 6 points

$$V = - \int_{\infty}^r \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} \quad 1 \text{ point}$$

$$= - \int_{\infty}^R \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} - \int_R^r \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$= 0 - \int_R^r \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

For using correct limits,  $r$  and  $R$ , for non-zero contribution to  $V$  1 pointFor correct substitution of  $E$  from part (c):

$$V = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \int_R^r \frac{1}{r^2} dr - \int_R^r \frac{r}{R^3} dr \right] \quad 1 \text{ point}$$

For correct integrations:

$$V = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ -\frac{1}{r} - \frac{r^2}{2R^3} \right]_R^r \quad 1 \text{ point}$$

For correct substitution of limits:

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{R} + \frac{r^2}{2R^3} - \frac{R^2}{2R^3} \right] \quad 1 \text{ point}$$

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \frac{1}{r} + \frac{r^2}{2R^3} - \frac{3}{2R} \right] \quad 1 \text{ point}$$

If both (a) and (b) were wrong, and (c) and (d) were not attempted, points for Gauss' Law, correct area  $A$  etc. were awarded for (c) and (d) if they were written in (a) and (b).

E &amp; M 1. (continued)

If no points were awarded for any of the above, the equations  $E = kq/r^2$  and  $V = kq/r$  were awarded 2 points each when present.

E &amp; M 2.

(a)

i) 4 points

$$\mathcal{E} = - \frac{d\Phi}{dt} = Blv$$

1 point

For substitution of correct length:  $\mathcal{E} = Bhv$ 

1 point

For a statement of Ohm's Law:  $I = \mathcal{E}/R$ 

1 point

For correct answer:  $I = Bhv/R$ 

1 point

ii) 3 points

For  $F_A = F_{\text{field}} = IlB$  (or  $qvB$ )

1 point

For correctly substituting  $I$  from i):  $F_A = \left(\frac{Bhv}{R}\right)lB$ 

1 point

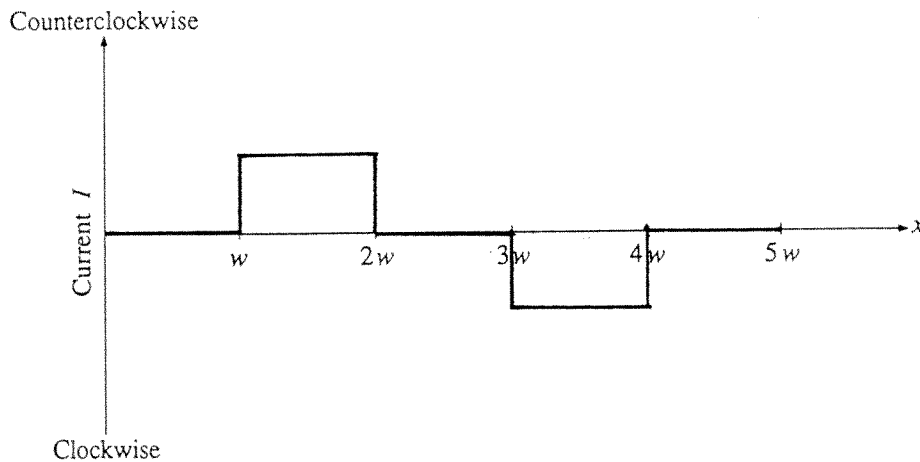
For substitution of correct length:  $F_A = \left(\frac{Bhv}{R}\right)hB$ 

1 point

$$F_A = \frac{B^2 h^2 v}{R}$$

(b)

i) 4 points

For correctly indicating ranges of  $x$  for which  $I = 0$ 

1 point

For constant values of  $I$  when  $w < x < 2w$  and  $3w < x < 4w$ 

1 point

For positive  $I$  when  $w < x < 2w$ 

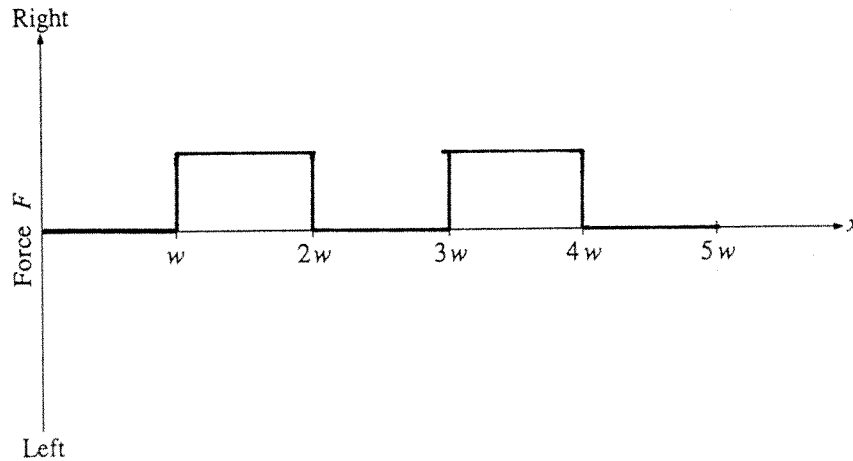
1 point

For negative  $I$  when  $3w < x < 4w$ 

1 point

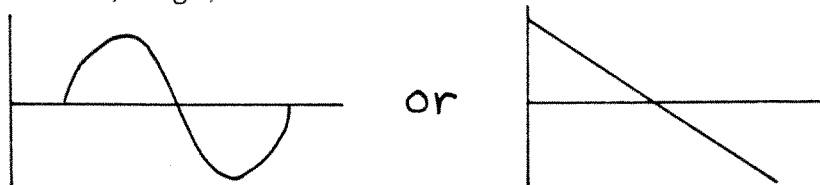
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ii) 4 points



For correctly indicating ranges of $x$ for which $F = 0$	1 point
For constant value of $F$ when $w < x < 2w$ and $3w < x < 4w$	1 point
For positive $F$ when $w < x < 2w$	1 point
For positive $F$ when $3w < x < 4w$	1 point

In both i) and ii), only 1 of the last 2 points was awarded if the graph did not contain characteristic "breaks" at multiples of  $w$ , e.g.,



Also, a total of 3 points was awarded for graphs that were perfect inversions of the correct graphs with respect to the  $x$ -axis.

E &amp; M 3.

(a) 3 points

$$U = \frac{1}{2}CV^2 \quad 1 \text{ point}$$

$$\text{For substitution: } U = \frac{1}{2}(6 \mu\text{F})(20 \text{ V})^2 \quad 1 \text{ point}$$

$$\text{For correct answer: } U = 1200 \mu\text{J} \quad 1 \text{ point}$$

The last point was not awarded for an answer of just "1200."  
An indication of comprehension of the units " $\mu\text{F}$ " was required by the presence of " $\mu\text{J}$ " or a numerical answer indicating the use of  $6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ F}$ .



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E &amp; M 3. (continued)

(b) 4 points

For realization that the charge is constant:

$$Q = \text{constant or } CV = C'V'$$

1 point

For an indication that the work equals the change in stored energy:  $W = \Delta U$ 

1 point

For correct new capacitance:  $C' = (1/4)C$ 

1 point

$$V' = \frac{CV}{C'} = 4V$$

$$W = \frac{1}{2}(C'V'^2 - CV^2) = \frac{1}{2}(4CV^2 - CV^2) = 3\left(\frac{1}{2}CV^2\right)$$

$$W = 3600 \mu\text{J}$$

1 point

Alternate Solution I

(Alternate points)

$$W = \int F \cdot dx = \int \frac{QE}{2} dx$$

(1 point)

For the factor of 1/2

(1 point)

$$E = V_0/x_0 \text{ is constant, since } \frac{V}{x} = \frac{Q}{Cx} = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A}$$

$$W = \frac{Q}{2} \int_{x_0}^{4x_0} (V_0/x_0) dx$$

For correct limits

(1 point)

$$W = \frac{QV_0}{2x_0} (4x_0 - x_0) = \left(\frac{3}{2}QV_0\right) = 3\left(\frac{1}{2}C_0V_0^2\right)$$

$$= 3(1200 \mu\text{J}) = 3600 \mu\text{J}$$

(1 point)

Alternate Solution II

$$W = \int dU = \int \frac{Q}{2} dV$$

(1 point)

For the factor of 1/2

(1 point)

$$V = \frac{Q}{C} \rightarrow dV = -\frac{Q}{C^2} dC$$

$$W = -\frac{Q^2}{2} \int_{C_0}^{C_0/4} \frac{dC}{C^2}$$

For correct limits

(1 point)

$$W = \left(-\frac{Q^2}{2}\right) \left(-\frac{1}{C}\right) \Big|_{C_0}^{C_0/4} = \frac{Q^2}{2} \left(\frac{4}{C_0} - \frac{1}{C_0}\right) = \frac{3Q^2}{2C_0}$$

$$W = 3\left(\frac{1}{2}C_0V_0^2\right) = 3(1200 \mu\text{J}) = 3600 \mu\text{J}$$

(1 point)

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E & M 3. (continued)

(c) 3 points

For Ohm's Law  $V = IR$

Voltage across capacitor is  $4V_0 = 80 \text{ V}$

$$I = V/R = (80 \text{ V} - 20 \text{ V})/300,000 \Omega = 2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ A}$$

1 point

1 point

1 point

Alternate Solution

(Alternate points)

$$V_{\text{batt}} = -IR + Q/C'$$

(1 point)

$$I = \frac{Q}{C'R} - \frac{V}{R}$$

(1 point)

$$I = \frac{CV}{C'R} - \frac{V}{R}$$

(1 point)

$$= \frac{20 \text{ V}}{300,000 \Omega} (4 - 1)$$

$$I = 2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ A}$$

(1 point)

(d) 3 points

$$Q = CV$$

1 point

$$Q_i = (6 \mu\text{F})(20 \text{ V}) = 120 \mu\text{C}$$

For either value

1 point

$$Q_f = \left(\frac{6}{4} \mu\text{F}\right)(20 \text{ V}) = 30 \mu\text{C}$$

$$\Delta Q = 120 \mu\text{C} - 30 \mu\text{C} = 90 \mu\text{C}$$

1 point

Alternate Solution

(Alternate points)

$$\Delta Q = \int I dt$$

(1 point)

$$I = I_0 e^{-t/RC}$$

$$\text{For correct integration: } \Delta Q = I_0 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t/RC} dt = I_0 RC$$

(1 point)

$$\Delta Q = (2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ A})(300,000 \Omega) \left(\frac{3}{2} \mu\text{F}\right) = 90 \mu\text{C}$$

(1 point)

(e) 2 points

$$\Delta E = \Delta Q V_{\text{batt}}$$

1 point

$$\Delta E = (90 \mu\text{C})(20 \text{ V}) = 1800 \mu\text{J}$$

1 point