Which list puts the forces in order of increasing magnitude?

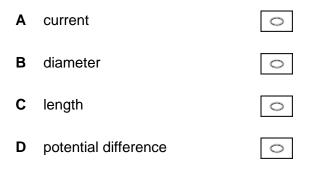
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2 A student carries out an experiment to determine the resistivity of a metal wire. She determines the resistance from measurements of potential difference between the ends of the wire and the corresponding current. She measures the length of the wire with a ruler and the diameter of the wire using a micrometer. Each measurement is made with an uncertainty of 1%

Which measurement gives the largest uncertainty in the calculated value of the resistivity?



(Total 1 mark)

- A student has a diffraction grating that is marked 3.5×10^3 lines per m.
 - (a) Calculate the percentage uncertainty in the number of lines per metre suggested by this marking.

percentage uncertainty = _____%

(1)

(b) Determine the grating spacing.

grating spacing = _____ mm

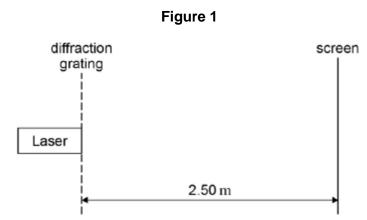
(c) State the absolute uncertainty in the value of the spacing.

absolute uncertainty = _____ mm

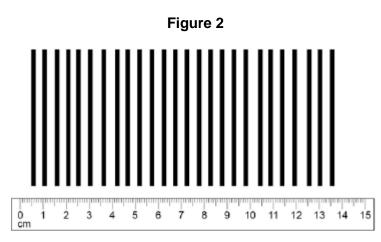
(1)

(2)

(d) The student sets up the apparatus shown in **Figure 1** in an experiment to confirm the value marked on the diffraction grating.



The laser has a wavelength of 628 nm. **Figure 2** shows part of the interference pattern that appears on the screen. A ruler gives the scale.

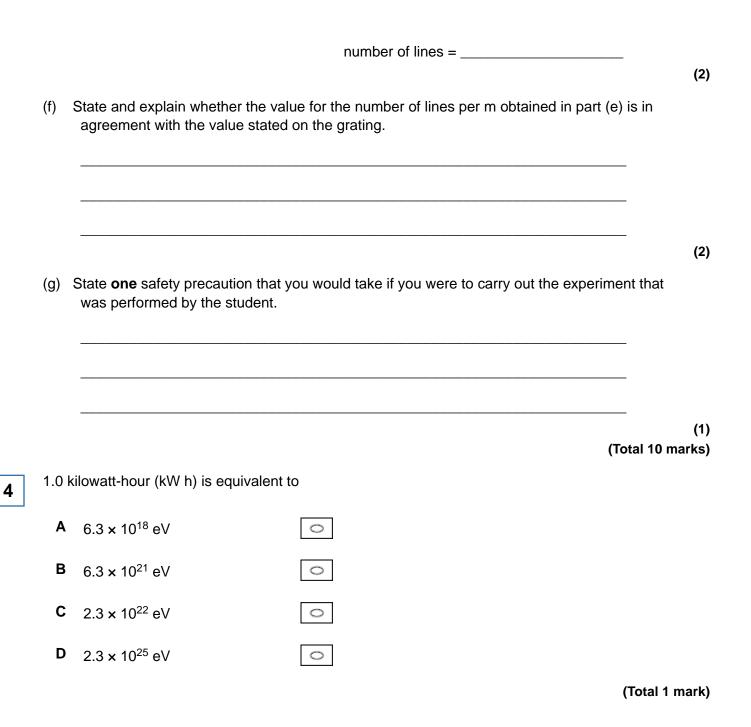


Use **Figure 2** to determine the spacing between two adjacent maxima in the interference pattern. Show all your working clearly.

spacing = _____ mm

(1)

(e) Calculate the number of lines per metre on the grating.



Measurements are made to determine the tension, length and mass per unit length of a string stretched between two supports. The percentage uncertainties in these measurements are shown below.

Quantity	Percentage uncertainty
Length	0.80%
Tension	4.0%
Mass per unit length	2.0%

A stationary wave is formed on the string.

What is the percentage uncertainty in the calculated value of the frequency of the first harmonic?

A 1.8%
B 3.8%
C 6.8%
D 13%

(Total 1 mark)

Identical ring magnets **A** and **B** are arranged on a cylindrical wooden rod. The magnets' magnetic poles are on their largest faces. When placed with like poles in opposition, the magnets repel one another as shown in **Figure 1**.

The plan and sectional views in **Figure 1** identify the dimensions of these magnets. Each magnet has a circular cross-section and the central hole is circular.

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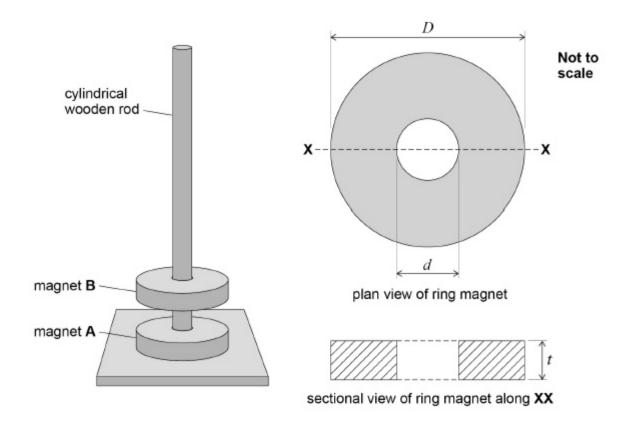


Figure 1

(a) A student uses digital vernier calipers to find the external diameter D of magnet **B**, as shown in **Figure 2**.





State precautions the student should take to reduce the effect of systematic and random errors when making this measurement.

Precaution to reduce effect of systematic error:

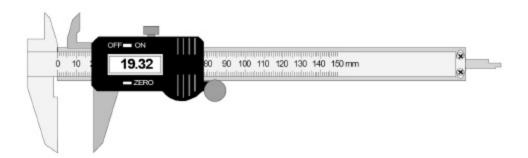
Precaution to reduce effect of random error:

(2)

(b) **Figure 3** shows the reading on the calipers as the internal diameter d is measured.

Draw the sectional view of magnet **B** on **Figure 3** to indicate how *d* is measured.

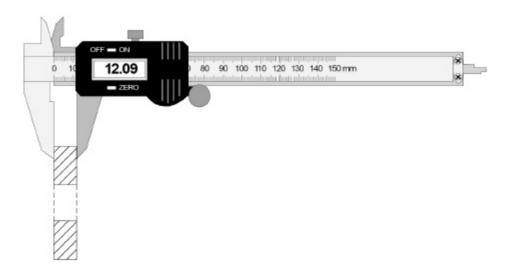
Figure 3



(1)

(c) **Figure 4** shows the reading on the calipers when the thickness *t* of magnet **B** is measured.

Figure 4



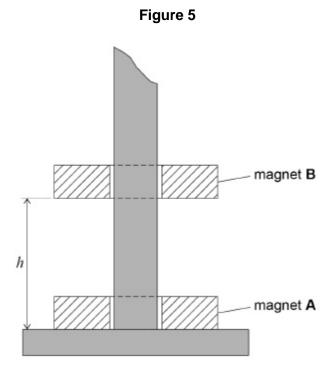
The readings that correspond to the dimensions of magnet **B** are shown in **Figures 2**, **3** and **4**.

Calculate the volume of magnet **B**.

volume = _____ m³

(3)

(d) The student measures the mass m_B of magnet B and then positions the magnet so it is in equilibrium above magnet A as shown in Figure 5.
 The student measures the distance h.



The student adds modelling clay to magnet **B** to reduce *h* by 50% She measures the mass $m_{\rm C}$ of this clay.

She concludes that the force *F* exerted on magnet **B** by magnet **A** is given by $F = \frac{k}{h^3}$ where *k* is a constant.

Describe an experiment to test the student's conclusion that $F = \frac{k}{h^3}$

Your answer should include:

- the procedure that could be used
- how the data produced could be analysed by a graphical method
- how the value of the constant k could be determined.

