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MARKING INSTRUCTIONS

PREPARATION FOR MARKING

RM ASSESSOR

1. Make sure that you have accessed and completed the relevant training packages for on-screen marking: *RM Assessor Online Training*; *OCR Essential Guide to Marking*.
2. Make sure that you have read and understood the mark scheme and the question paper for this unit. These are posted on the RM Cambridge Assessment Support Portal <http://www.rm.com/support/ca>
3. Log-in to RM Assessor and mark the **required number** of practice responses (“scripts”) and the **number of required** standardisation responses.

YOU MUST MARK 5 PRACTICE AND 10 STANDARDISATION RESPONSES BEFORE YOU CAN BE APPROVED TO MARK LIVE SCRIPTS.

MARKING

1. Mark strictly to the mark scheme.
2. Marks awarded must relate directly to the marking criteria.
3. The schedule of dates is very important. It is essential that you meet the RM Assessor 50% Batch 1 and 100% Batch 2 deadlines. If you experience problems, you must contact your Team Leader (Supervisor) without delay.
4. If you are in any doubt about applying the mark scheme, consult your Team Leader by telephone or by email.
5. **Crossed Out Responses**
Where a candidate has crossed out a response and provided a clear alternative then the crossed out response is not marked. Where no alternative response has been provided, examiners may give candidates the benefit of the doubt and mark the crossed out response where legible.

Multiple Choice Question Responses

When a multiple choice question has only a single, correct response and a candidate provides two responses (even if one of these responses is correct), then no mark should be awarded (as it is not possible to determine which was the first response selected by the candidate). When a question requires candidates to select more than one option/multiple options, then local marking arrangements need to ensure consistency of approach.

Contradictory Responses

When a candidate provides contradictory responses, then no mark should be awarded, even if one of the answers is correct.

Short Answer Questions (requiring only a list by way of a response, usually worth only **one mark per response**)

Where candidates are required to provide a set number of short answer responses then only the set number of responses should be marked. The response space should be marked from left to right on each line and then line by line until the required number of responses have been considered. The remaining responses should not then be marked. Examiners will have to apply judgement as to whether a 'second response' on a line is a development of the 'first response', rather than a separate, discrete response. (The underlying assumption is that the candidate is attempting to hedge their bets and therefore getting undue benefit rather than engaging with the question and giving the most relevant/correct responses.)

Short Answer Questions (requiring a more developed response, worth **two or more marks**)

If the candidates are required to provide a description of, say, three items or factors and four items or factors are provided, then mark on a similar basis – that is downwards (as it is unlikely in this situation that a candidate will provide more than one response in each section of the response space.)

Longer Answer Questions (requiring a developed response)








Where candidates have provided two (or more) responses to a medium or high tariff question which only required a single (developed) response and not crossed out the first response, then only the first response should be marked. Examiners will need to apply professional judgement as to whether the second (or a subsequent) response is a 'new start' or simply a poorly expressed continuation of the first response.

6. Always check the pages (and additional lined pages if present) at the end of the response in case any answers have been continued there. If the candidate has continued an answer there then add an annotation to confirm that the work has been seen.
7. There is a NR (No Response) option. Award NR (No Response)
 - if there is nothing written at all in the answer space
 - OR if there is a comment which does not in anyway relate to the question (e.g. 'can't do', 'don't know')
 - OR if there is a mark (e.g. a dash, a question mark) which isn't an attempt at the question

Note: Award 0 marks - for an attempt that earns no credit (including copying out the question)

8. The RM Assessor **comments box** is used by your team leader to explain the marking of the practice responses. Please refer to these comments when checking your practice responses. **Do not use the comments box for any other reason.** If you have any questions or comments for your team leader, use the phone, the RM Assessor messaging system, or e-mail.
9. Assistant Examiners will email a brief report on the performance of candidates to your Team Leader (Supervisor) by the end of the marking period. Your report should contain notes on particular strength displayed as well as common errors or weaknesses. Constructive criticism of the question paper/mark scheme is also appreciated.

10. Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
	Correct response
	Incorrect response
	Incomplete response
	Error carried forward
	Benefit of doubt
	No benefit of doubt
	Rounding error

Mark scheme abbreviations:

Wtte: words to that effect

Ecf: error carried forward

11. Subject-specific marking instructions


- In all numerical calculation questions a correct response will gain all marks unless specified otherwise.
- Rounding of answers should be to the same number of significant figures as the data in the question, or, otherwise, an answer will be correct provided it rounds to the correct answer.
- Symbols used in circuit diagrams must identify relevant components uniquely and unambiguously.

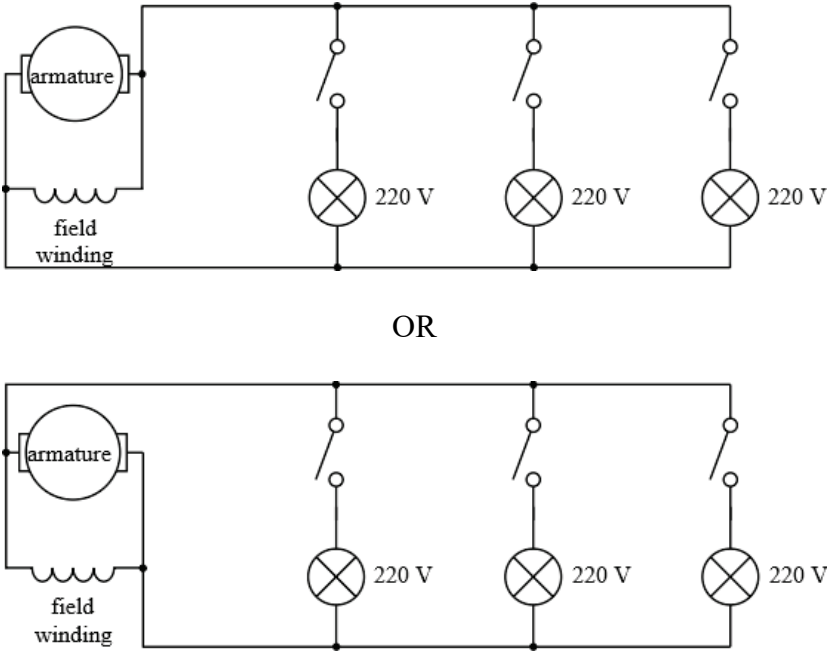
Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)	<p>Ohmmeter across R_3</p>	1	Circuit equivalent to Android phone headset: R_1 microphone impedance, SW_1 stop/play, SW_2 vol+, SW_3 vol-.
1	(b)	<p>One of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To prevent measuring the rest of the circuit in parallel with R_3 (wtte) To prevent the current from the power supply affecting the meter (wtte) To prevent the power supply from damaging the meter 	1	
1	(c)	<p>$V = 2.2 \text{ V}$ $R_T = R_4 + R_1 = 2200 + 3100 = 5300 \text{ } \Omega$</p> $I_1 = \frac{V}{R_T} = \frac{2.2}{5300} = 0.000415 \text{ A}$	1 1	Synoptic mark from unit 2: LO 1.1 Calculate total resistance in Ohms Correct voltage and calculation
1	(d)	$I_4 = \frac{V}{R_4} = \frac{2.2}{2200} = 0.0010 \text{ A}$	1	

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
				$R_{1\&3} = \frac{V_1}{I_4} = \frac{0.387}{8.241 \times 10^{-4}} = 470 \Omega$ $\frac{1}{R_3} = \frac{1}{R_{1\&3}} - \frac{1}{R_1} = \frac{1}{470} - \frac{1}{3100} = 0.00181 \Omega^{-1}$ $R_3 = \frac{1}{0.00181} = 554 \Omega$
2	(a)	One of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generate an AC supply • Convert mechanical/kinetic energy into electrical energy 	1	
2	(b)	$f = 1/T$ $f = 41.1 \text{ kHz} = 41\,100 \text{ Hz}$ $T = 1/f = 1/41\,100 = 0.000\,0243 \text{ s}$	1	Synoptic mark from unit 2: LO 1.1 Accept 24.3 μs or 0.0243 ms if candidate adds prefix to units or $2.43 \times 10^{-5} \text{ s}$

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
2	(c)	$\omega = 2\pi f$ $\omega = 2\pi \times 41\,100 = 258\,000 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ or $258\,000 \text{ s}^{-1}$ Correct numerical value Correct units	 1 1	Accept $\omega = 2\pi \times 41.1 = 258 \text{ krad s}^{-1}$ Accept any correct number consistent with units e.g. 258 krad s^{-1} or $0.258 \text{ Mrad s}^{-1}$ Synoptic mark from unit 1: LO 4.1 Accept rad s^{-1} or rad/s or multiple with valid SI prefix e.g. krad s^{-1} or krad/s or Mrad s^{-1} etc. Do not accept Hz. Synoptic mark from unit 2: LO 1.1
2	(d)	$v = V \sin \omega t$ $v = 0.6 \times \sin(258\,000 \times 14 \times 10^{-6})$ $v = -0.27 \text{ V}$ $\omega\tau$	 1 1	Numbers correctly substituted into formula [1] Correct answer including minus sign [1] ecf from 2c Beware of candidates with calculators incorrectly set to degrees so giving wrong answer of $+0.038 \text{ V}$, only award one mark for substituting, no mark for value.

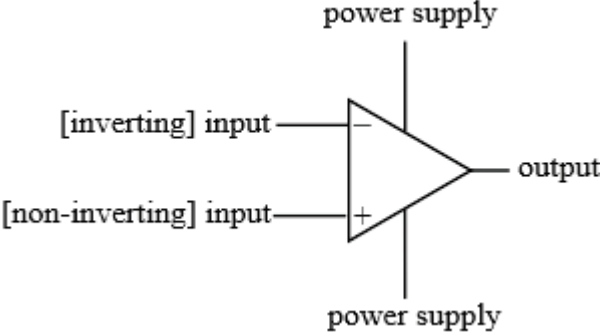
Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance								
2	(e)	$X_C = 1/2\pi fC = 1/(2\pi \times 41.1 \times 10^3 \times 15 \times 10^{-9}) = 258.16 \Omega$ $X_L = 2\pi fL = 2\pi \times 41.1 \times 10^3 \times 1 \times 10^{-3} = 258.23 \Omega$ $X_R = 0 \Omega \text{ by definition}$ <table border="1" data-bbox="497 464 1167 852"> <thead> <tr> <th>Component</th> <th>Reactance / Ω</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Capacitor</td> <td>258</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Inductor</td> <td>258</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Resistor</td> <td>0</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Component	Reactance / Ω	Capacitor	258	Inductor	258	Resistor	0	1 1 1	Ignore any minus signs or decimal places in answers
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2	(f)	$X_L = X_C \therefore Z = R = 150 \Omega$ <p>OR</p> $Z = \sqrt{R^2 + (X_L - X_C)^2} = \sqrt{150^2 + (258.23 - 258.16)^2} = 150 \Omega$	1	ecf 2e								
2	(g)	$\cos \phi = R/Z$ $\phi = \cos^{-1}(R/Z) = \cos^{-1}(150/150) = 0^\circ$	1	ecf 2f								

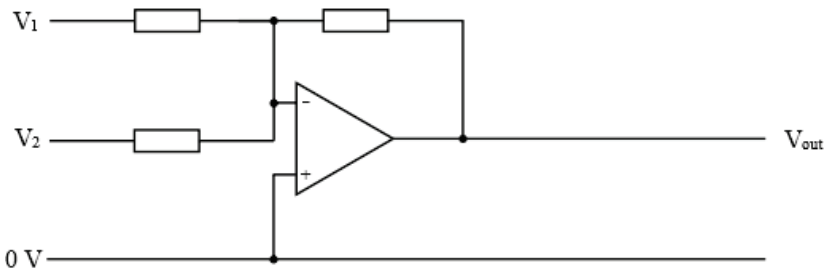
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2 (h)	<p data-bbox="376 236 1182 304">Vertical arrow facing up starting at same point as existing grey arrow.</p> <p data-bbox="667 352 904 379">vector rotation (ω)</p> 	1	Length of arrow unimportant

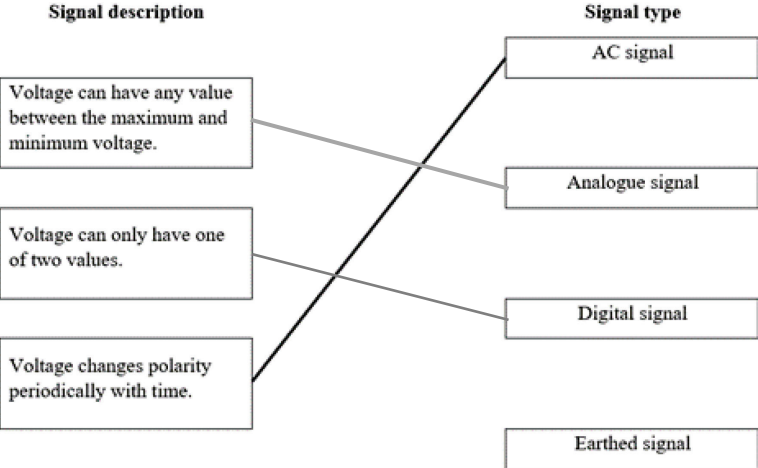
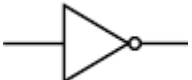
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<p>3 (a)</p>	<p>Armature shown provides power to lamps circuit and Armature in parallel with field winding</p>  <p>The diagram shows two equivalent circuit configurations. In both, an armature (represented by a circle with a bracket) and a field winding (represented by a coil) are connected in parallel. This parallel combination is connected to a main supply line. From this supply line, three parallel branches lead to three 220V lamps. Each lamp is controlled by an individual switch on the top supply line. The two configurations are separated by the text 'OR'.</p>	<p>1 1</p>	


Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	(b)	<p>One mark for each of (maximum 2 marks):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generator does not require auxiliary power for field winding (wtte) • Voltage from generator remains fairly constant with changes in current/resistance/load (wtte) • Voltage does not change when more lights switched on (wtte) • Current changes when more/fewer lights switched on (wtte) • Lamps require fairly constant supply voltage (wtte) 	2	<p>Valid comment about self-excited</p> <p>Valid comment about shunt generators voltage-current characteristics</p>
3	(c)	$I_f = \frac{V}{R_f} = \frac{220}{300} = 0.73 \text{ A}$	1 1	<p>Evidence of use of correct equation Synoptic mark from unit 2: LO 3.5</p> <p>Correct value</p>
3	(d)	$I_a = I_f + I_{Lamps} = 0.73 + 1.36 = 2.09 \text{ A}$	1	ecf 3c
3	(e)	$V = E - I_a R_a$ $E = V + I_a R_a$ $E = 220 + 2.1 \times 4 = 228.4 \text{ V (ecf from 3d)}$	1 1 1	<p>Evidence of correctly rearranged equation Synoptic mark from unit 1: LO 1.3</p> <p>Correct answer</p> <p>Correct units (V</p>

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4	(a)		1	Secondary substation transformer.
4	(b)	<p>1 mark for each correct word in the correct place.</p> <p>The system has a <i>delta</i> connected primary and a <i>star</i> connected secondary. The <i>line</i> voltage of the secondary is 415 V. The <i>phase</i> voltage of the secondary is 240 V.</p>	4	
4	(c) (i)	<p>One mark for each of (maximum 2 marks):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disconnects circuit from supply/stops the flow of current (wtte) • When fault/short-circuit occurs (wtte) • To protect the circuit (wtte) 	2	

Question			Answer	Marks	Guidance
4	(c)	(ii)	<p>Up to 2 from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Circuit breaker be reset when fault is removed (wtte) • Fuse needs to be replaced after fault occurs (wtte) • Circuit breakers give a clear visual signal when they have been triggered (wtte) • Fuses need to be removed to check if they have been triggered/need careful inspection to check if they have blown (wtte) 	2	
5	(a)		<p>Output labelled to point on RHS of symbol Both inputs labelled to + and – signs on symbol Power supplies labelled to top and bottom sloping sides of symbol</p> 	1 1 1	Not necessary to identify inverting and non-inverting

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5 (b)	<p>Circuit contains correctly drawn op-amp</p> <p>V_1 & V_2 each connected through resistor to inverting input of op-amp</p> <p>Non-inverting input of op-amp connected to 0 V</p> <p>Resistor connected between inverting input and output of op-amp</p> <p>Output connected directly to V_{out}</p> 	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>	

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5 (c)	<p>Line from ‘... can have any value ...’ to ‘Analogue signal’ Line from ‘... only have one of two...’ to ‘Digital signal’</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Signal description</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">Voltage can have any value between the maximum and minimum voltage.</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">Voltage can only have one of two values.</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">Voltage changes polarity periodically with time.</div> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Signal type</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">AC signal</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">Analogue signal</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">Digital signal</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">Earthed signal</div> </div> </div> 	<p>1 1</p>							
6 (a)		<p>1</p>							
6 (b)	<p>Two columns and two rows containing only 0s and 1s Correct truth table for NOT gate</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Input</th> <th>Output</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>0</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>0</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Input	Output	0	1	1	0	<p>1 1</p>	<p>Accept T & F or High & Low or H & L</p>
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6	(c)		One of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Output is opposite of input (wtte) • Output is high when input is low and vice versa (wtte) • It inverts the input 	1																															
6	(d)	(i)	One mark for each correct column <table border="1" style="margin: 10px auto; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr> <th>A</th> <th>B</th> <th>C</th> <th>D</th> <th>E</th> <th>Q</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>0</td> <td>1</td> <td>0</td> <td>1</td> <td>0</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>0</td> <td>1</td> <td>0</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>0</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>0</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	A	B	C	D	E	Q	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	4	Allow ecf for columns D, E and Q
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