#### Force

 A force is anything which causes an object to move or change its velocity.

newtons (N)

Measured in:

- Push, pull, weight and friction are all examples of forces.
- Forces are measured using a spring balance.
- Friction is a force which prevents easy movement between two objects in contact.

newtons (N)

• The weight of an object is the force of gravity acting on it.

newtons (N)

- Hooke's Law states that the extension of a spring depends on the size of the weight (force) attached to it.
- A graph of spring extension against the weight (force)
   attached to it, gives a straight line through the origin (0,0)

#### EXPERIMENTS:

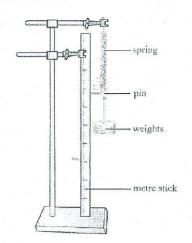
40.1 To Investigate the Law of the Spiral Spring (Hooke's Law)

The spring and metre stick are held in the retort stand as shown.

The position of the pin is noted as each weight is added to the spring.

The extension of the spring for each total weight is noted.

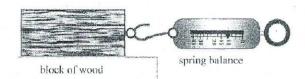
The bigger the weight, the greater the extension of the spring. They are in direct proportion, and so would give a straight line graph through (0,0).



#### 40.2 To Investigate the Force of Friction

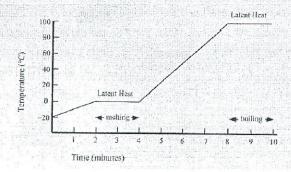
The force of friction is measured on the spring balance as the block just begins to move.

Sandpaper or oil could be placed under the block to increase/decrease friction.



### **Heat and Heat Transfer**

- Heat is a form of energy; it is measured in joules (J).
- Heat always moves from a hot area to a cold area.
- Conduction is the transfer of heat through a substance without the particles in the substance moving out of position.
- · Metals are very good conductors of heat.
- An insulator is a substance that does not allow heat to pass through it easily. Insulators are very poor conductors.
- Convection is the transfer of heat through a liquid or gas when molecules of the liquid or gas move upwards and carry the heat.
- Radiation is the transfer of heat, in rays, from a hot object,
   without needing a medium to pass through.
- A dull, black surface radiates heat out better than a bright shiny surface.
- A dull, black surface absorbs heat better than a bright, shiny surface.
- Solids, liquids and gases all expand when heated and contract on cooling.
- When water is cooled below 4°C, it begins to expand.
- Ice is less dense than liquid water and so floats on water this is important for fish to survive.
- Temperature is a measure of how hot an object is.
- · A mercury or alcohol thermometer is used to measure temperature accurately.
- Thermometers work because liquids expand when heated and contract when cooled.
- Temperature is measured in degrees Celsius (°C).
- Water freezes at 0°C, and boils at 100°C at normal atmospheric pressure.
- The amount of heat in a substance depends on its temperature, its mass, and what the substance is.
- 200 ml of water at 60°C contains twice as much heat as 100 ml of water at 60°C.
- 200 ml of water at 60°C contains more heat than 200 ml of oil at 60°C.
- Latent heat is the heat used by a substance to change its state it does not raise the temperature.
- · Latent heat:



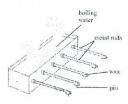
## Heat Experiments (Expansion/contraction/conduction/convection/radiation/latent

heat/cooling curves)

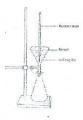
#### EXPERIMENTS:

44.1 To Compare the Conductivity of Various Metals

Heat travels by conduction through the metal rods. The wax melts and the pin drops off the metal that is the best conductor of heat first.



A thermometer is placed in a board of molting fee, to place it.



44.2 To Show that Water is a Poor Conductor of Heat

The ice at the bottom of the test tube does not melt, even though the water at the top is boiling.

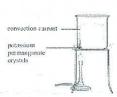
As heat cannot reach the ice by convection (where molecules move apwards to carry heat), the water above the ice must be a very bad conductor of



44.3 To Show Convection Currents in Water

Some potassium permanganate crystals are placed at the bottom of the beaker, to colour the water.

The movement of the coloured water, shows a convection current in the water, as heated water moves upwards and is replaced by colder water moving downwards.



44.4 To Show Heat Transfer by Radiation

The tin can is filled with boiling water and the thermometer bulb is placed beside it as shown.

Heat transfer from the hot can, by radiation, raises the temperature on the thermometer.



44.5 To Show that Solids Expand when Heated and Contract when Cooled

The metal ball can fit through the ring when the ball is cold.

When the ball is heated, it expands and can no longer fit through the ring.
On cooling, the ball contracts and can fit through

the ring again.

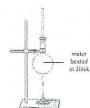


44.6 To Show that Liquids Expand when Heated and Contract when Cooled

When the water in the flask is heated it expands and rises up the glass tube.

On enoling, the water contracts and moves back

The expansion of a liquid on heating and its contraction on cooling explains how a thermometer works.



44.7 To Show that Gases Expand when Heated und Contract when Cooled

When heated, the air in the flask expands and some escapes causing bubbles in the water in the beaker.

On cooling, the air contracts and water from the beaker gots sucked up the tube.



#### 45.2 To Determine the Boiling Point of Water

A thermometer is placed just above the surface of boiling water in a flask, as shown.

Note the steady temperature of 100 °C in the steam - this is the boiling point of water.

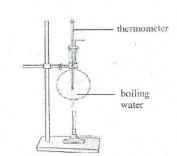
## 45.3 To Show the Effect of Pressure on the Boiling Point of Water

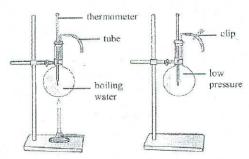
With the tube open, the water in the flask is boiled for three minutes.

The steam drives all the air out of the flask. The Bunsen burner is then removed and the tube clamped.

The steam then condenses leaving a partial vacuum (with very low pressure) above the water in the flask.

At this low pressure, the water is seen to boil again at temperatures of as low as 60°C.



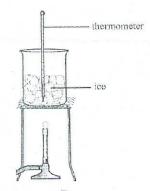


## 45.4 To Demonstrate Latent Heat

A thermometer is placed in ice taken directly from the freezer. This ice should show a temperature of less than  $0^{\circ}$ C, and, as it heats, the temperature rises to  $0^{\circ}$ C.

The ice and water will remain at 0°C until all the ice has melted. The heat being supplied is latent heat - it is being used to change the state, and does not raise the temperature.

The temperature will then increase steadily to 100°C when the water begins to boil. The temperature will not rise above 100°C, as, once again, the heat supplied is being used to change the state (latent heat).



## 45.5 To Plot a Cooling Curve for Naphthalene

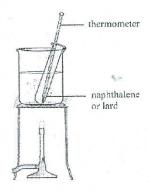
A thermometer is placed in a test tube containing naphthalene (freezing point 80°C) or lard (F.P. 30°C). The naphthalene is heated to 100°C, or lard to 60°C.

The liquid is then allowed to **cool**, and the temperature is **noted** every **minute** for 10 minutes.

A graph is drawn with time (minutes) on the X-axis and temperature (°C) on the Y-axis.

As the liquid freezes to a solid (80° for naphthalene and 30°C for lard), the temperature does not fall for several minutes, until all the liquid has turned to solid.

The heat (latent heat) is being given off as the liquid changes state to a solid.



# FORMULAE

	Quantity	Formula	Measured in:
6	Speed:	The speed of an object is the distance it travels per unit time.	m/s or ms <sup>-t</sup>
1		Speed = $\frac{\text{Distance (m)}}{\text{Time taken (s)}}$	
	Velocity:	The velocity of an object is the distance it travels per unit time, in a given direction.	m/s of ms <sup>-1</sup>
•	Acceleration:	Acceleration is the change in velocity per second.  Acceleration = Change in velocity (m/s)	m/s/s, or ms <sup>-2</sup> , or m/s <sup>2</sup>
		Time taken (s)	
•	Density:	The density of a substance is the mass of 1 cm <sup>3</sup> of it.	g/cm³, or kg/m³
		Density = $\frac{\text{Mass (g)}}{\text{Volume (cm}^3)}$	
•	Work ==	Force (N) x Distance (m)	J (joules)
	Power:	Power is the work done in one second.	W (Watts)
		$Power = \frac{Work done (J)}{Time taken (s)}$	
,	Weight:	Weight is the force of gravity acting on an object,	N (newtons)
-		Weight = Mass (kg) x 10	
	Moment = of a force)	Force (N) x Perpendicular distance (m)	Nm (newton metres)
1	Pressure:	Pressure is the force per unit area.	Pa (pascals), N/m²
		Pressure = Force (N) Area (m²)	
1	Voltage =	Current (A) x Resistance (Ω)	V (volts)
(	Current =	Voltage (V) Resistance $(\overline{\Omega})$	A (amps)
R	Resistance =	Voltage (V) Current (A)	$\Omega$ (ohms)
			and the second second

## Light

- Light is a form of energy it can make things move.
- The Crooke's radiometer and the solar-powered calculator show that light is a form of energy.
- Luminous objects give out light, e.g. the Sun, a light bulb, a candle.
- Light travels in straight lines this gives rise to shadows.
- · A solar eclipse occurs when the Moon passes between Sun and Earth.
- Reflection occurs when light bounces back off a surface.
- Light is reflected in a regular manner off a shiny surface e.g. a mirror. .
- Refraction is the bending of light as it goes from one medium to another.
- Light rays are always refracted towards the denser medium.
- · A convex or converging lens brings light rays together.
- · A concave or diverging lens spreads light rays apart.
- White light is a mixture of the 7 colours of the spectrum.

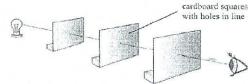
Dispersion is the breaking up of white light into its 7 colours. (Only the word 'dispersion' is HL)

 Be able to complete ray diagram for magnifying glass convex and concave lens and Perspex/glass blocks

#### EXPERIMENTS:

46.1 To Show that Light Travels in Straight Lines

The bulb can only be seen when the three holes in the cardboard squares are in a straight line.



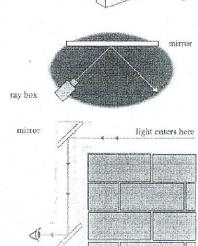
46.2 To Show the Reflection of Light

The light ray from the ray box strikes the mirror and gets reflected back.

The ray gets reflected back at the same angle as it strikes the mirror with.

Light from an object enters the periscope and strikes the top mirror. It is then reflected down to the bottom mirror which reflects it into the eye.

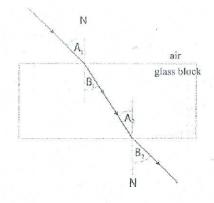
Both mirrors must be at an angle of 45° for the periscope to work.



## 46.3 To Show the Refraction of Light

A light ray from a ray box is seen to change direction (bend) as it goes from air into the glass block.

The angle  $B_1$  is less than the angle  $A_1$  as the light ray gets pulled in towards the denser medium (the glass).



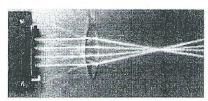
### 46.4 To Show the Effect of Convex and Concave Lenses

Light rays from a ray box are passed through a convex and a concave lens.

Light rays striking a glass with a curved surface get refracted at different angles.

A convex (converging) lens refracts the light rays entering it so that they all meet at a point.

A concave (diverging) lens refracts the light rays entering it so that they spread out as they leave the lens.



convex lens



concave lens

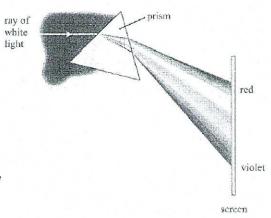
## 46.5 To Show the Dispersion of White Light

A ray of white light is passed through a glass prism.

The prism disperses (breaks up) the light into its 7 different colours.

Each colour is refracted differently through the prism - red light is refracted the least, and violet, the most. This causes the colours to spread out as seen on a screen.

The colours are: Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Indigo and Violet. (Richard Of York Gave Battle In Vain).



## Magnetism (be able to plot the field lines of a bar magnet from N->S)

- Iron, nickel, cobalt or their alloys can be magnetised.
- The magnetic effect of a magnet is strongest at the two ends called the north pole and the south pole.
- The north pole of a freely suspended magnet always points North.
- Like poles repel each other, unlike poles attract.
- A magnetic compass contains a small magnet balanced on a thin spindle which is free to move. Its north pole points North.
- A magnetic field is the space around a magnet where a magnetic force can be seen.
- Magnetic fields can be shown using iron filings or plotting compasses.
- Magnetic field lines go from the north pole to the south pole of a magnet.
- The Earth has a magnetic field as if it had a huge bar magnet at its centre, with the magnet's south pole in the northern hemisphere.
- Magnets are used in electric motors, telephones, loudspeakers, compasses, press and fridge doors, dynamos etc.

#### EXPERIMENTS:

#### 48.1 To Test a Variety of Materials for Magnetism

Bring a bar magnet close to a variety of materials to see if they are attracted to the magnet.

Materials that contain the elements iron, nickel or cobalt will have magnetic properties.

#### 48.2 To Find the North Pole of a Magnet

One end of a suspended magnet points North.

A compass is used to determine which end of the suspended magnet is pointing North.

#### 48.4 To Make a Floating Compass and Demonstrate the Earth's Magnetic Field

A bar magnet, floating on a piece of polystyrene in a bowl of water, will have its north pole pointing North.

The magnet is free to move so it behaves just like the magnetised pointer of a

Its north pole is attracted to the Earth's magnetic south pole (which is in the northern hemisphere of the Earth).

# 48.3 To Demonstrate the Attraction and Repulsion of Magnets

When the south pole of a bar magnet is brought towards the north pole of a suspended magnet, the magnets attract each other.

#### Unlike poles attract.

When the **north pole** of a bar magnet is brought **towards** the **north pole** of a suspended magnet, the **magnets repel** each other.

#### Like poles repel.

48.5 To Plot the Magnetic Field Around a Bar Magnet Using Plotting Compasses

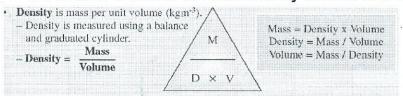
Plotting compasses are placed around a bar magnet as shown.

The pointers of the compasses point from the north pole of the magnet to the south pole of the magnet.

This shows that the magnetic field lines of a magnet point from north pole to south pole.

## Measurement, Density and Floatation

- Know units of length, time, temp, mass, area and volume.
- Know instruments used to measure these.
- · Know how to find volume of small stone using graduated cylinder.
- Know how to find the volume of a large stone using overflow can and grad cylinder.
- · Know how to fin the mass of a solid or liquid
- Know that Density=mass/volume
- Know that to find the density of an object you need to find the mass, the volume and then DIVIDE mass by volume to find the DENSITY



- The mass of an object is the amount of matter in it.
   Mass is measured in kilograms (kg) or grams (g).
- The density of a substance is the mass of 1 cm<sup>3</sup> of it.

  Density is measured in grams per cubic centimetre. (g/cm<sup>3</sup>).
- Density =  $\frac{\text{Mass (g)}}{\text{Volume (cm}^3)}$
- To find the density of any substance, first find its mass on an electronic balance, and then find its volume, using an overflow can and graduated cylinder.

  Then divide the mass by the volume to find the density. (answer in g/cm<sup>3</sup>).
- The density of water is 1 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.
- An object sinks if its density is greater than the density of the liquid it is in.
- An object floats if its density is less than the density of the liquid it is in.
- Ice floats in water because its density (0.9 g/cm<sup>3</sup>) is less than the density of water.

Explain why Ice floats on water (as water freezes it expands so its volume increases so its density decreases so it floats in denser water!)

### Motion



The speed of an object is the distance it travels per unit time.

Speed =

Distance (m) Time taken (s) Measured in:

m/s or ms<sup>-1</sup>

Velocity:

The velocity of an object is the distance it travels per unit time, in a given direction.

m/s or ms

Acceleration:

Acceleration is the change in velocity per second.

m/s/s, or ms<sup>-2</sup>, or m/s<sup>2</sup>

Change in velocity (m/s) Acceleration -

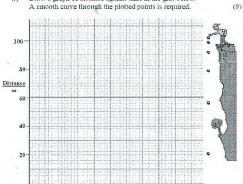
Time taken (s)

#### Sample Question and Answer 2011 9a

(a) A stone was dropped from the top of a cliff and the distance that it fell was measured at the intervals of time as given in the table below.

Distance (n1) 0

Draw a graph of distance against time in the grid below. A smooth curve through the plotted points is required.



(ii) Use the graph to find how far the stone had fallen in 3.5 s.

2 Time 3

- (iii) Calculate the average speed of the falling stone between the second and the fourth second. Give the unit with your answer.
- (iv) In this experiment is distance fallen directly proportional to time? Justify your answer.

(also ... know that a graph with a straight line thro the origin means speed/acc is constant)

six points plotted correctly allow (3) for 3 - 3 points plotted correctly curved has through the six points



(II) Use

(a) (i) Draw

(iii) Calculate 80 - 20 mis.

(15) [5] no curved graph: graph not straight line/ stone accelerating

(3)

[6]

(3) (3) [6]

#### Pressure

- Pressure is the force per unit area.
- Pressure =  $\frac{\text{Force (N)}}{\text{Area (m^2)}}$
- Pressure is measured in newtons per square metre (N/m²), or pascals (Pa). 1 N/m² = 1 Pa.
- The smaller the area, the greater the pressure.
- · Pressure in a liquid increases with depth.
- The pressure in a liquid acts equally in all directions.
- Atmospheric pressure is caused by the weight of the atmosphere.
- Atmospheric pressure decreases the higher you go above sea-level.
- A barometer is used to measure atmospheric pressure.
- Normal atmospheric pressure can hold up 76 cm of mercury in a mercury barometer.
- Normal atmospheric pressure is 76 cm of mercury or 1013 hectopascals.
- An altimeter is a barometer used to measure height.
- High atmospheric pressure gives good, settled weather.
- Low atmospheric pressure gives bad, unsettled weather.

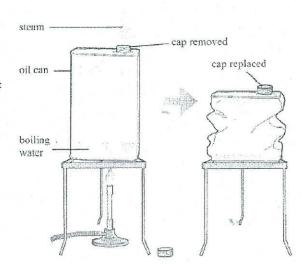


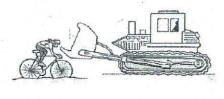
#### 43.4 To Demonstrate Atmospheric Pressure

A small amount of water is boiled for five minutes in the can, with the cap removed. The steam drives all the air out of the can. The Bunsen burner is then removed and the cap replaced so no more air can get in.

As the steam cools, it condenses back into water, leaving no air in the can above the water.

With no air inside the can, atmospheric pressure outside the can crushes it.





#### Sound

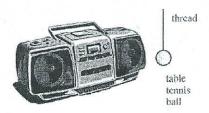
- Sound is a form of energy caused by vibrating objects.
- Sound, unlike light, needs a medium to pass through.
- · Sound is reflected off hard surfaces, resulting in echoes.
- · Ultrasound has frequencies too high for humans to hear.
- Sound travels at 340 m/s much slower than light (300,000,000 m/s).
- Thunder and lightning show that light travels faster than sound.
- The loudness of sound is measured in units called decibels.

#### EXPERIMENTS:

#### 47.1 To Show that Sound is a Form of Energy

Sound from the speaker travels through the air and causes the table tennis ball to move.

This shows that sound is a form of energy and can be converted into other forms.



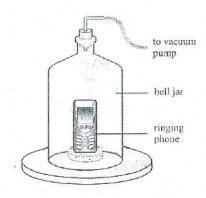
#### 47.2 To Show that Sound Cannot Travel in a Vacuum

A vacuum pump is used to remove the air from inside the bell jar.

The phone can be heard ringing when there is air in the bell jar - the sound can travel through air.

When the air is removed, even though the phone is still ringing, no sound is heard.

Sound cannot travel through a vacuum.



#### 47.3 To Demonstrate the Reflection of Sound

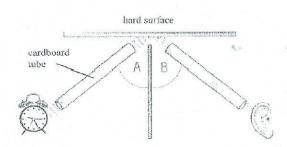
Sound from the ticking clock is directed through the cardboard tube, to a hard surface.

The reflected sound is then heard through the second tube.

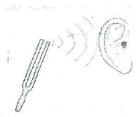
The reflected sound is heard the loud

The reflected sound is heard the loudest when the angle A equals the angle B.

This shows that sound, like light, reflects off a surface at the same angle it enters.

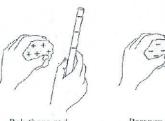


- Speed of sound is 340 m/s s=d/t calculations for echos problems
- Sound used in ultrasound etc...



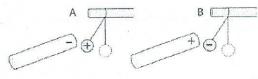
## Static and Current Electricity

- STATIC: Rubbing leaves objects charged. Unlike Charges attract etc
- Dry weather stops charge from going into moist air so it builds up on us until we touch a conducting material (metal) which lets charge conduct to ground .. trolley
- Uses- electroplating / soot removal
- When two objects are rubbed together, electrons get transfered from one to the other.
- Some substances such as polythene and perspex (good insulators) do not allow these electrons to flow out so they build up an electric charge called static electricity.
- A polythene rod gains electrons from a woollen cloth when it is rubbed with the cloth - the rod gains a negative charge.
- A perspex rod loses electrons to a woollen cloth when it is rubbed with the cloth - the rod gains a positive charge.
- An object becomes negatively charged if it gains electrons;
   an object becomes positively charged if it loses electrons.
- Unlike charges attract each other; like charges repel each other.
- Earthing occurs when a charged object loses its charge to the earth.

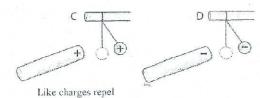


Polythene rod gains electrons

Perspex rod loses electrons



Unlike charges attract

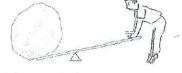


As well as experiments with charged rods...like the magnetism ones...

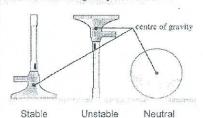
## **Turning Forces and Centre of Gravity**

- The moment of a force is the turning effect of a force.

  Moment = (Force) x (Distance from the fulcrum).
- A lever is any rigid body which is free to turn about a a fixed point called the fulcrum.
- Examples of levers are: door, door handle, pliers, scissors, metre stick, screwdriver (used to open paint tin), etc.



- The Law of the Lever states that when a lever (e.g. a metre stick) is balanced, the total clockwise moments equal the total anticlockwise moments.
- The centre of gravity of an object is the point through which all the weight of the object appears to act. (i.e. the centre of its weight).
- Stable equilibrium is present if when an object is slightly tilted, its centre of gravity
  is raised, and it goes back to the original position on release.
- . Objects in stable equilibrium will have a wide base and a low centre of gravity.
- Unstable equilibrium is present if when an object is slightly tilted, its centre of gravity is lowered, and it takes a new position when released (i.e. it falls over on its side).
- Neutral equilibrium is present if when an object is moved, its centre of gravity is neither raised nor lowered. The object never becomes unstable - it does not fall over and just takes up a new position where it is still in neutral equilibrium.



The three states of Equilibrium

#### EXPERIMENTS:

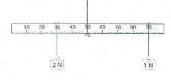
## 42.1 To Prove the Law of the Lever

The metre stick is hung from the 50 cm mark and weights are hung from each side, balancing the metre stick each time.

The moments are calculated on each side by multiplying the weight by the distance to the fulcrum,

When the clockwise moments equal the noticlockwise moments, the metre stick is balanced.

This proves the Law of the Lever



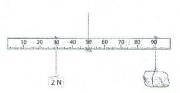
#### 42.2 To Find the Weight of an Object Using the Law of the Lever

A known weight is being on one side of the metre stick and a stone on the other side, so that they balance.

The moments caused by the weight is calculated and this must equal the moments caused by the stone.

Therefore, moments caused by the weight = (weight of stone) x (distance of stone from the fulcrum).

The weight of the stone can then be found by dividing.



#### ill 42.3 To Find the Centre of Gravity of an Irregularly Shaped Cardboard

The cardboard and a plumbline are hung from a pin, stuck in a cork and held as shown in a retort stand.

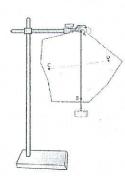
Using the plumbline as a guide, the line AB is drawn on the eardboard.

The cardboard is then hung from a different.

The cardboard is then hung from a different point (e.g. C), and, again, the plumbline is used to draw the line CD.

This is repeated twice more from other points at the edge of the cardboard, and vertical lines drawn, as before.

Where all the lines meet is the centre of gravity of the cardboard.



## Weight

- The weight of an object is the force of gravity acting on it.
- Weight is a force and is measured in newtons (N).
- The force of gravity on Earth is 10 N on every 1 kg of mass.
- Weight (N) = Mass (kg) x 10 N/kg (earth's gravity).
- To find the weight on Earth, multiply the mass (in kg's) by 10.
- The weight of something in outer space is the mass multiplied by 0. It is weightless.

#### DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MASS AND WEIGHT

#### MASS

- 1. Measured in kilograms (kg)
- 2. Is fixed, never changes.
- 3. Is a fixed feature of all things like length or volume.

#### WEIGHT

- 1. Measured in newtons (N)
- 2. Varies, depends on where you are.
  - 3. Is a force or pull on something.

## Work, Energy and Power

Energy is the ability to do work.

joules (J)

Work is done when a force moves an object.
 Work (J) = Force (N) x Distance (m)

ioules (J)

Power is the rate at which work is done.
 Power is the amount of work done in 1 second.

watts (W)

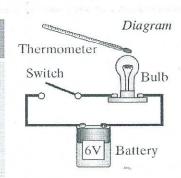
• Power = Work done (J) Time taken (s)

- Sun is primary source of energy-warms planet / plants photosynthesise / energy conversion
- Know renewable and non renewable energy ... give examples
- Adv and disadvantage of renewable energy sources.... Cheap to run / no co2 emissions / high start up costs etc...
- Know principle of conservation of energy

#### 3 Main Experiments

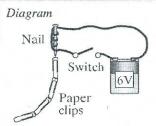
# MI To convert chemical energy to electrical energy to heat energy

- 1. Set up the apparatus as shown.
- 2. Note the temperature of the bulb.
- 3. Close the switch and let the current flow for a few minutes.
- 4. Note the temperature of the bulb.
- 5. **Result:** the battery drives a current through the circuit causing the bulb to heat up.



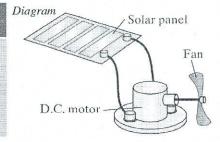
# MI To convert electrical energy to magnetic energy to kinetic energy

- 1. Set up the apparatus as shown.
- 2. Bring the nail close to the paper clips.
- 3. Close the switch.
- 4. **Result:** the electrical current makes an electromagnet that causes the clips to jump to the nail.

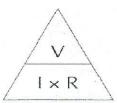


# MI To convert light energy to electrical and kinetic energy

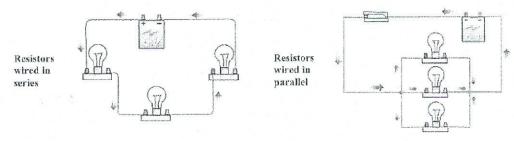
- 1. Set up the apparatus as shown.
- 2. Turn a lamp on and bring it close to the solar panel.
- Result: the solar panel makes electrical energy that makes the motor turn.



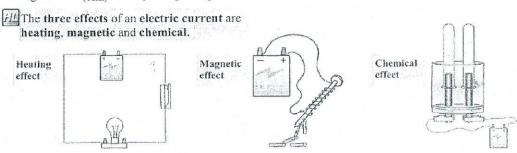
- An electric current is a flow of electric charge.
- Conductors are substances which allow electric current to flow through them freely (e.g. all metals).
- Insulators are substances which do not allow current to pass through them (e.g. wood, plastic).
- A battery or power pack is an 'electrical pump' that pumps electrons around a circuit.
- Electrons are pumped from a region of high electrical pressure (the negative terminal) to a region of low electrical pressure (the positive terminal).
- The difference in electrical pressure between the negative and positive terminals is called the potential difference or voltage.
   It is measured in volts (V) using a voltmeter.
- Current is the flow of electrical charge. It is measured in amps (A) using an ammeter. The symbol for current in amps is (I).
- Resistance is the ability a substance has to resist the flow of current in a circuit. It is measured in ohms (Ω).
- The larger the voltage, the larger the current that can flow.
   The larger the resistance, the smaller the current in the circuit.
   The relationship between voltage (V), current (I) and resistance (R) can be shown using the VIR triangle.



- Ohm's Law states that at constant temperature, the voltage (V) is always proportional to the current (I) in a circuit.
- · Resistors (e.g. bulbs) in a circuit can be wired either in series or parallel.



• For resistors in series, the total resistance is found by adding each of the individual resistances together.  $R_{\text{(Total)}} = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$ .



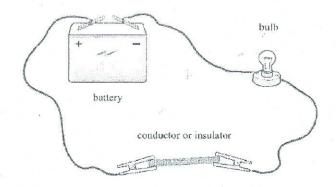
#### **EXPERIMENTS:**

50.1 To Distinguish Between Conductors and Insulators

> Different materials are placed between the crocodile clips to see if they are conductors or insulators of electricity.

A conductor allows the current to flow in the circuit and the bulb lights.

An insulator does not allow the bulb to light.



#### 50.2 To Verify Ohm's Law

A circuit with a heating element is set up as shown.

The voltage of the circuit may

The voltage of the circuit may be changed using the voltage dial on the power pack.

The voltage is read from the voltmeter, which is wired in parallel with the resistor.

The current in the circuit is read from the ammeter, which is wired in series with the resistor.

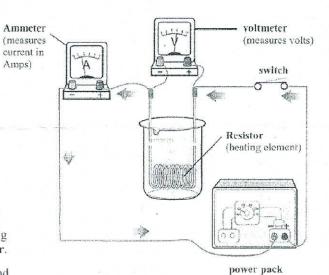
The **resistor** is prevented from heating up too much by immersing it in **water**.

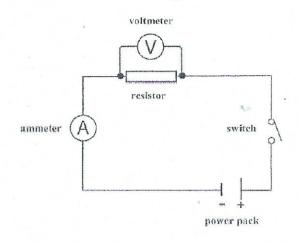
As the voltage is increased, it is found that the current also increases.

A graph plotted of current against voltage gives a straight line that passes through the origin (0,0).

This verifies Ohm's Law which states that, at constant temperature, the current in a circuit is always in proportion to the voltage of the circuit.

A simpler drawing of the apparatus used is shown on the right.





## Uses and Effects of Electricity / Electricity in the Home

- A fuse is a safety device which cuts off the current in a circuit if the
  current goes above a certain level. The thin fuse wire overheats and melts
  and so breaks the circuit. Fuses are now replaced by circuit breakers.
- When choosing the correct fuse for a circuit, its amp rating should be slightly higher than the normal circuit or appliance requires.
- The terminals of a plug are connected as follows: Live on the right (Brown wire); Neural on the left (Blue wire); Earth in the middle (Yellow/Green wire). A fuse is inserted on the Live wire.
- The power of an appliance is a measure of how quickly it converts electrical energy into electrons of energy. Electrical power is measured in units called watts (W).
- The ESB's unit of energy is the kilowatt hour (kWh).
   A kilowatt hour is the electrical energy used (converted) by a 1 kW appliance running for 1 hour.
- The number of kilowatt hours (units) used: = (number of kilowatts) x (number of hours).
- Cost of electricity = (number of kilowatt hours or units) x (cost per unit).
- Direct current (d.c.) travels in one direction only.

  Alternating current (a.c.), supplied by the ESB, changes direction many times per second. a.c. can easily be converted to d.c. using a rectifier.

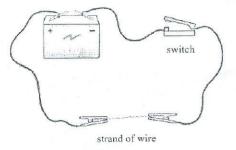
#### EXPERIMENTS:

#### 51.1 To Show the Action of a Fuse

A single strand of fine wire wool is placed between the crocodile clips in the circuit.

When the switch is closed, the heating effect of the current heats and breaks the strand.

A fuse contains a thin wire that melts and breaks the circuit if the current is too big.



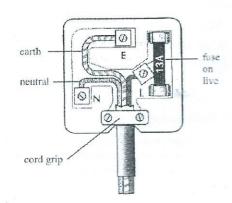
#### 51.2 To Wire a Plug Correctly

About 5 cm of the white insulation is removed from the end of the flex.

The brown and blue wires are cut back by 3 cm. About 0.5 cm of the insulation is removed from each of the coloured wires.

The exposed ends of the wires are connected to the terminals of the plug. Blue to neutral on the left; yellow/green to earth in the middle; and brown to live on the right.

All screws on the terminals, cord grip and plug cover are then tightened firmly.



### Electronics (assumes that current flows from +ve to -ve terminal!)

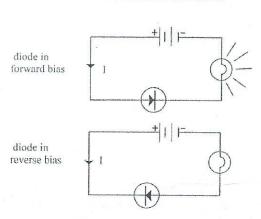
- Electronics is the careful and exact control of very small electric currents.
- . A diode is an electronic component that will allow current to flow in one direction only.
- A light emitting diode (LED) is a diode that gives out light when a current flows through it.
- · LEDs use far less current than a bulb.
- A light dependent resistor (LDR) is a resistor whose resistance depends on light.
- When light falls on an LDR, its resistance decreases and the current therefore increases.

#### EXPERIMENTS:

#### 52.1 To Show the Action of a Diode

When the diode is wired in forward bias (positive to positive of the diode) the bulb lights.

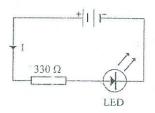
When the diode is wired in reverse bias (positive to negative of the diode) the bulb does not light.



#### 52.2 To Show the Action of an LED

An LED gives out light when wired in forward bias (positive to positive) as shown.

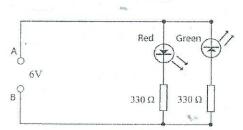
The resistor protects the LED from too high a current.



#### 52.3 Using LEDs to Test the Polarity of a Battery

When terminal A is connected to the positive of the battery, the red LED (in forward bias) lights.

When terminal A is connected to the negative of the battery, the green LED (in forward bias) lights.



#### 52,4 To Show the Use of an LDR

When light is shone on the LDR, its resistance decreases, the reading on the ammeter shows a higher current flowing, and the bulb lights brighter.

The resistance of the LDR decreases when light shines on it.

