



**Engineering Science (National 5):
Question paper**

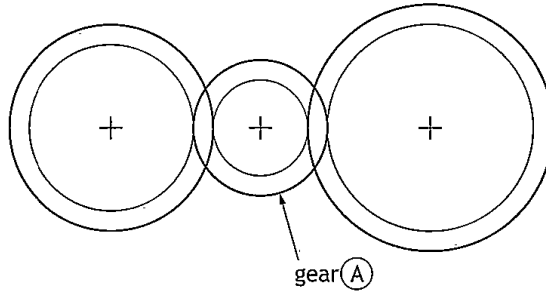
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SECTION 1 — 20 marks
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1. A gear train is shown below.



(a) State the type of gear train shown.

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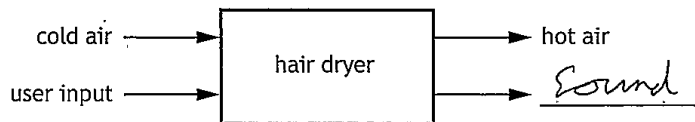
Compound

(b) State the name of gear (A).

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~~Idle~~ Idler gear

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(a) Complete the system diagram above by adding the missing output.

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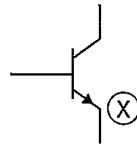
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$$E_w = Fd$$

$$E_w = 2200 \times 12$$

$$E_w = 26400\text{J}$$

4. Transistors are used in many electronic products.



- (a) Describe the function of a transistor.

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To be used as a voltage
switch or a voltage threshold set

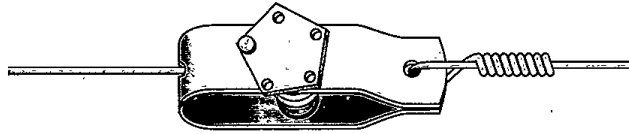
- (b) State the name of connection (X) on the transistor symbol above.

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emitter

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5. A tensioner is used to tighten the wire on a farm fence.



A 25 m length of wire was stretched by 0.012 m when fully tensioned.

(a) Calculate the strain in the wire.

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$$\epsilon = \frac{\Delta l}{l}$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{0.012}{25}$$

$$\epsilon = 4.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$$

The table below shows details of materials that were considered for the wire.

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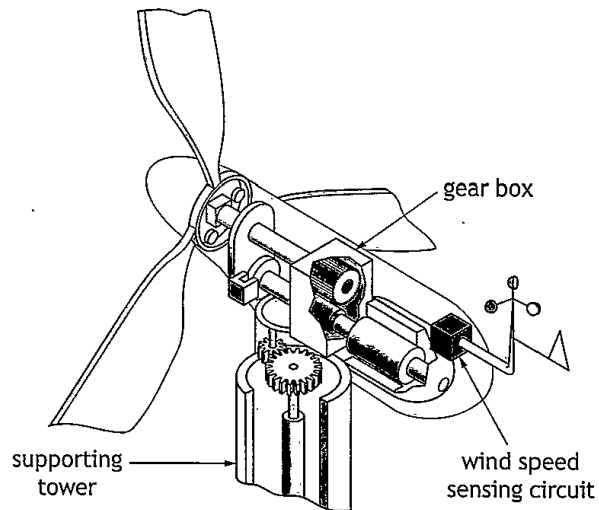
(b) Select the most suitable material (A–D) from the table for the wire and justify your choice.

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Choice of material C

Justification It's not brittle and it will not be distorted by the elements

6. An offshore wind farm has wind turbines which are located out at sea.
A diagram of the inside of one of the wind turbines is shown.



- (a) State which branch of engineering would be responsible for the design of the:

(i) wind speed sensing circuit

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Electrical

(ii) supporting tower

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Structural

(iii) gear box.

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Mechanical

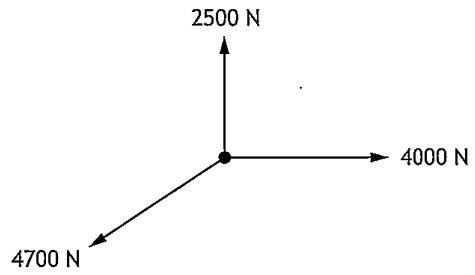
- (b) Describe one role an environmental engineer would have during the construction of the offshore wind farm.

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To ensure that all government environmental standards were being met

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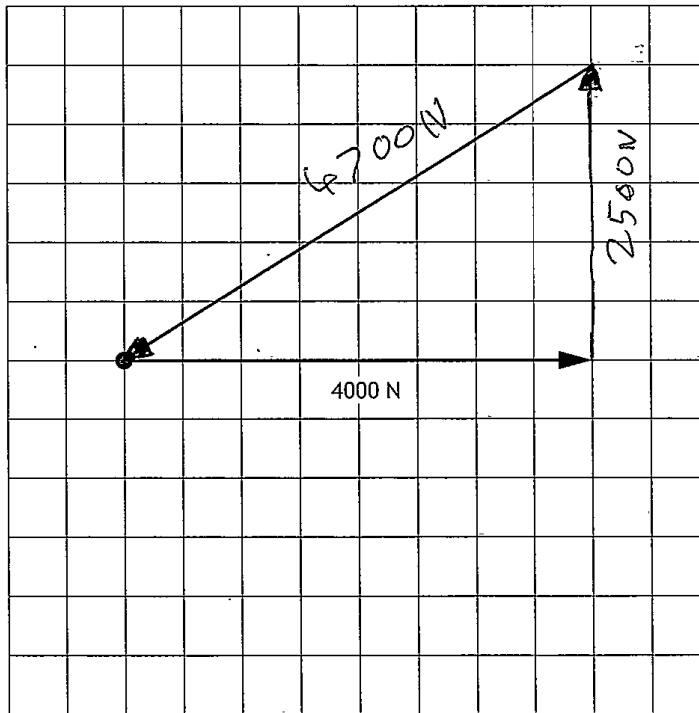
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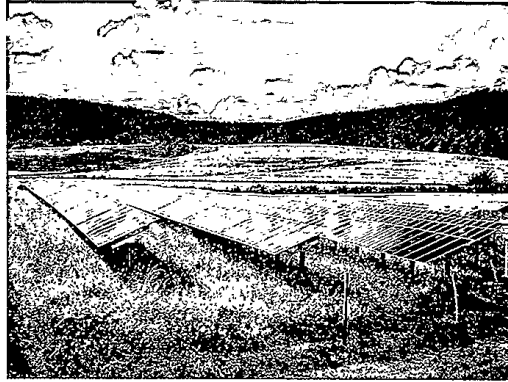
Complete the triangle of forces scale drawing below for the given forces.
 Forces must include an arrow head to show the direction.

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scale 10 mm = 500 N



8. A solar farm is shown.



Describe two environmental impacts of solar as a source of energy.

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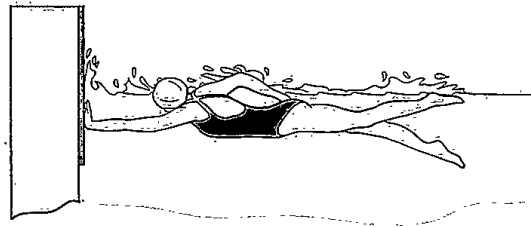
1. It takes up a lot of area and
this can destroy habitat
2. It does not release green house
gases.

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SECTION 2 — 90 marks

Attempt ALL questions

9. In a swimming competition, a system is used to automatically measure a competitor's time.



The system is operated by a microcontroller.

The input and output connections to the microcontroller are shown in the table below.

Input connections	Pin	Output connections
	7	buzzer
	6	timer
lane switch	1	
master switch	0	

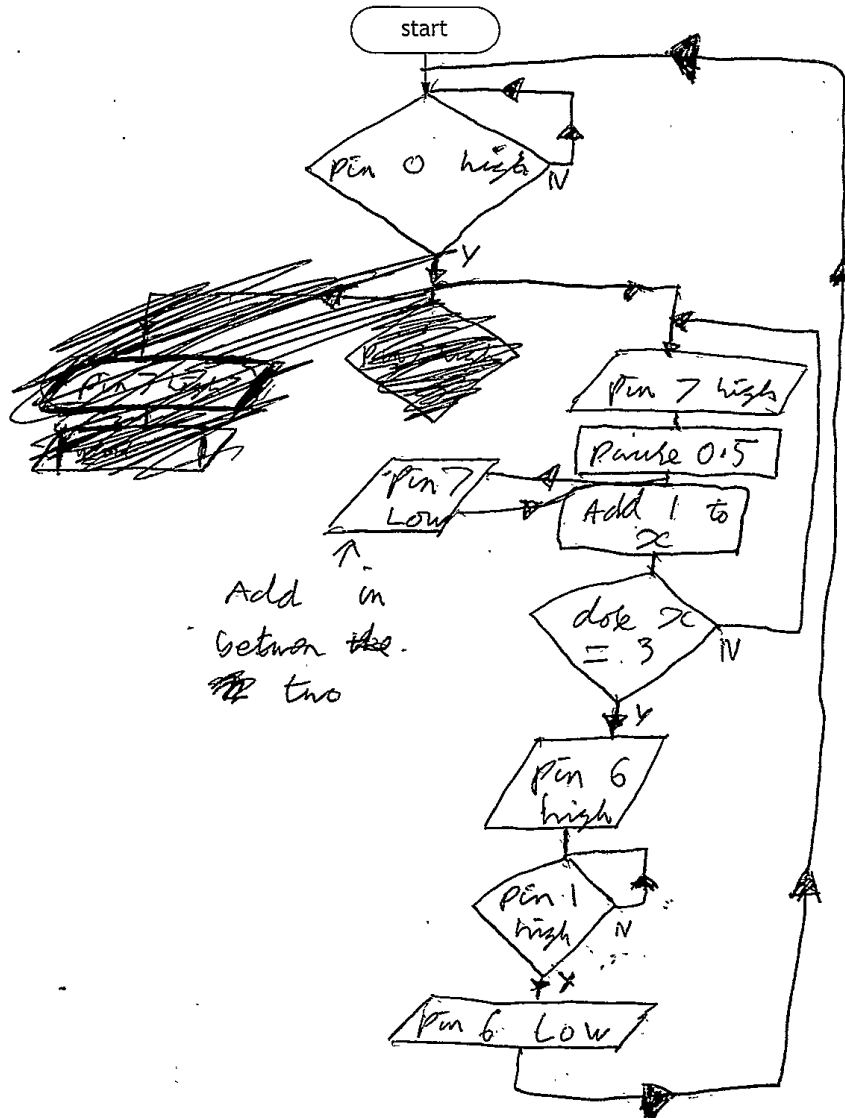
The system operates using the following sequence.

- A master switch is pressed
- A buzzer then sounds on and then off three times over 1.5 seconds
- The timer then starts
- When a lane switch is pressed the timer stops
- The system will then reset ready to be used again

9. (continued)

- (a) Complete the flowchart for the sequence, with reference to the data booklet and input/output connections.
 Include all pin numbers and delay units in your flowchart.

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9. (continued)

A program used in a different control system is listed below.

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line  program
1   main:   let count = 0
2   label_1: switch on 4
3           switch on 5
4           pause 600
5           switch off 4
6           switch off 5
7           pause 600
8           let count = count + 1
9           if count = 20 then label_2
10          goto main
11  label_2: if Input0 is on then label_3
12          goto label_2
13  label_3: switch on 7
14          pause 3000
15          switch off 7
16          goto main

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(b) Describe the function of line 16 in the program.

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reset the program to the start

Lines 2 to 9 should repeat twenty times before moving on to line 11. During testing an electronic engineer found that this did not happen.

(c) Explain why lines 2 to 9 did not repeat twenty times before moving on to line 11.

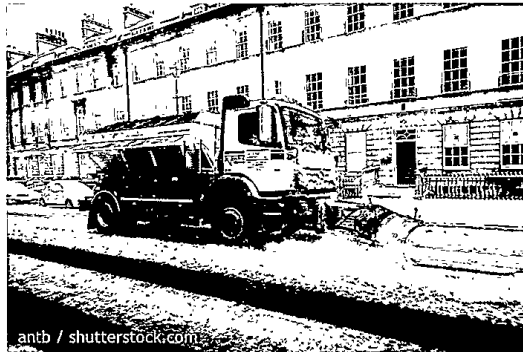
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At no point does it tell the program to repeat itself

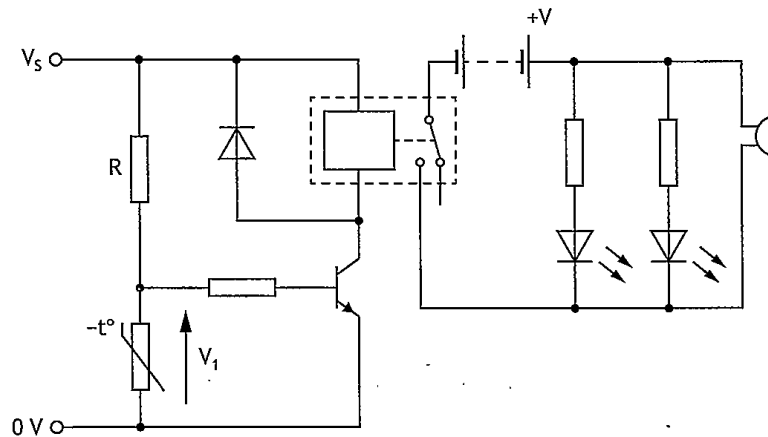
~~the code on line 10 gets that when 20 times it repeats you need to go to main~~

~~line 9 is not included~~

10. The road gritter shown below is used to spread salt on icy roads.



The warning circuit shown below is used to alert the driver of a low temperature.



10. (continued)

(a) Describe the operation of the warning circuit shown opposite. Make reference to the resistance of the thermistor and the voltage V_1 .

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When the temperature decreases to a low temperature ...

The thermistor's resistance goes up and so does its voltage (V_1) when the voltage reaches 0.7V it activates the transistor and switches the relay. The relay circuit then activates the buzzer and the LEDs.

The fixed resistor (R) is replaced with a variable resistor.

(b) Explain the effect on the operation of the warning circuit by replacing the fixed resistor (R) with the variable resistor.

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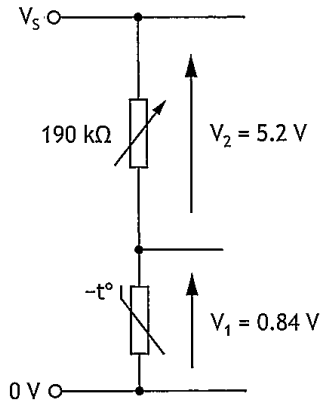
~~change the temperature of the thermistor~~
~~the circuit is activated~~

it would ~~change the~~ make the ~~resistor~~ voltage across it vary possibly changing the temperature that the circuit activated at

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10. (continued)

The input sensing circuit (which is part of the warning circuit) is shown below.



(c) Calculate the resistance of the thermistor.

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$$\frac{V_1}{V_2} = \frac{R_1}{R_2}$$

$$\frac{5.2}{0.84} = \frac{190}{x}$$

$$x \times 5.2 = 0.84 \times 190$$

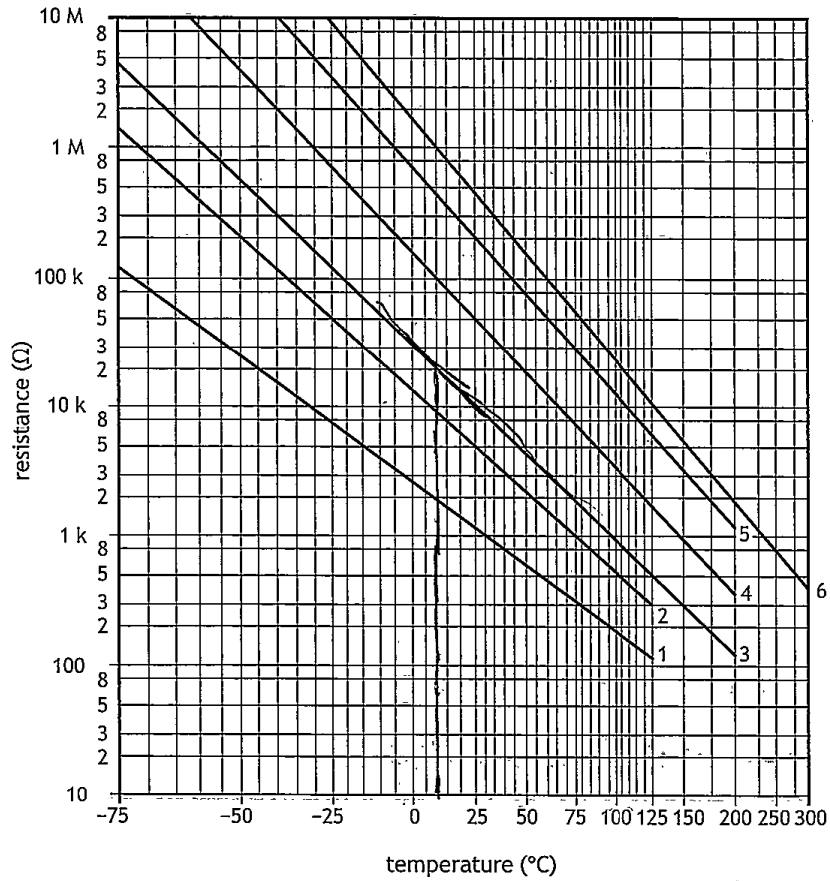
$$x = \frac{0.84 \times 190}{5.2}$$

$$x = 30.7$$

$$x = 31 \Omega$$

10. (continued)

The operating characteristics of a range of thermistors are shown on the graph below.



- (d) Determine (with reference to the graph above) the resistance of a type 3 thermistor when the temperature is 10 °C.

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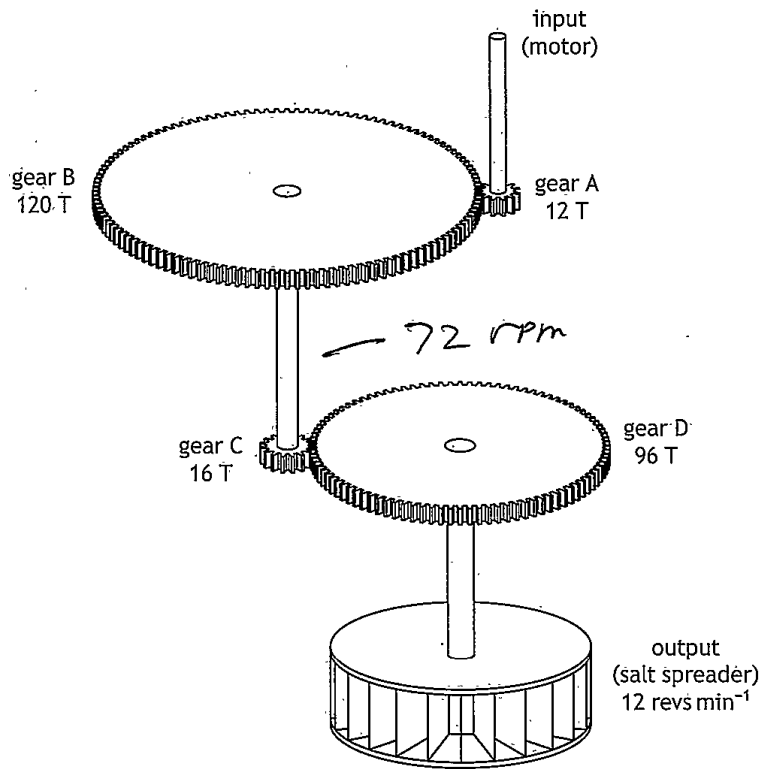
20 000 Ω

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10. (continued)

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The gear train shown below is used to drive the salt spreading system.



(e) Calculate the input speed of the motor.

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$$v_r \left(\frac{96}{16} \right) \times 12 = 72$$

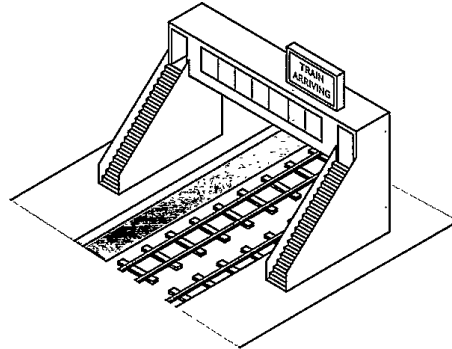
$$v_r \left(\frac{120}{12} \right) = 10 \times 72$$

$$v_r = 10$$

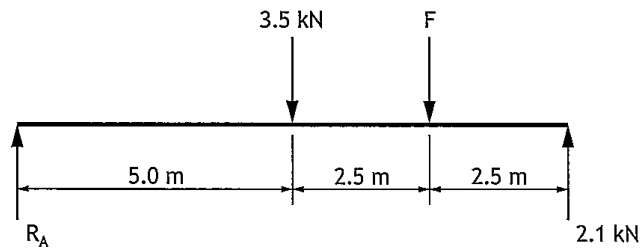
$$= 720 \text{ rpm}$$

$$= 720 \text{ revs min}^{-1}$$

11. A walkway linking two railway platforms is shown.



A simplified freebody diagram of the walkway and sign (force F) is shown below.



(a) (i) Calculate the force F by taking moments about R_A .

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~~$R_A = (3.5 \times 5) + (2.1 \times 10)$~~

$$R_A \times 7.5 = 5 \times 3.5$$

~~$R_A = \frac{17.5}{7.5}$~~

$$F \times 7.5 = 17.5$$

$$F = \frac{17.5}{7.5}$$

$$F = 2.3 \text{ kN}$$

11. (a) (continued)

(ii) Calculate the reaction force R_A .

2

$$R_A + 2.1 = 3.5 + 2.3$$

$$R_A = 3.5 + 2.3 - 2.1$$

$$R_A = 3.7 \text{ kN}$$

Lifts are installed at both ends of the walkway.

(b) (i) Describe one positive social impact of installing the lifts.

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people can get to higher
~~offices~~ ~~the~~ ~~car~~

(ii) Describe one positive economic impact of installing the lifts.

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faster movement

(iii) Describe one negative economic impact of installing the lifts.

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They cost alot of
 money

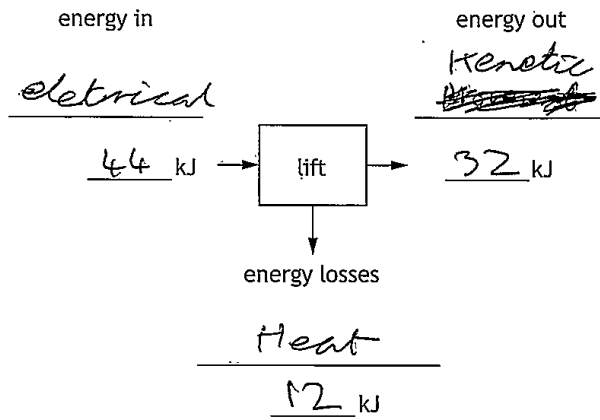
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11. (continued)

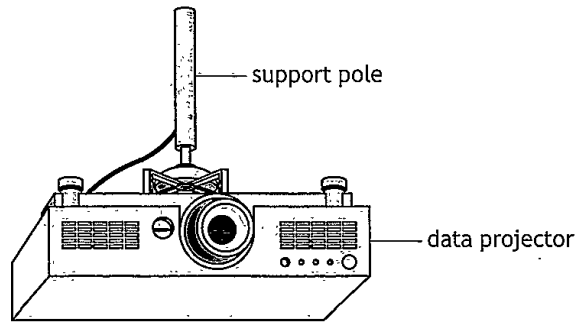
The electrical energy supplied to raise one lift up to the walkway is 44 kJ.
 The lift has a potential energy of 32 kJ when it is at the top of the walkway.

- (c) Complete the energy audit diagram below for the lift.
 Include the main forms of energy and their values.

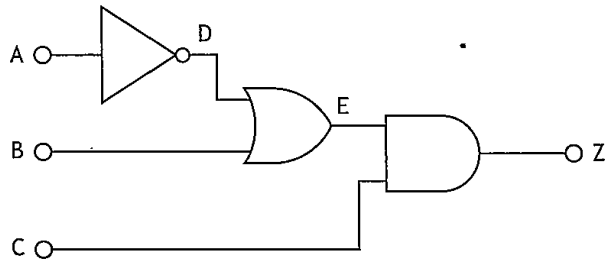
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12. A ceiling mounted data projector and support pole are shown.



Logic circuits are used to control the data projector. A logic diagram for one of the circuits is shown below.



(a) Complete the truth table for the logic diagram shown above.

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A	B	C	D	E	Z
0	0	0	1	1	0
0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	1	1

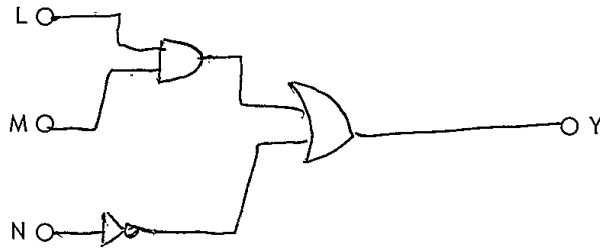
12. (continued)

The Boolean equation for a second logic circuit is given below.

$$(L \cdot M) + \bar{N} = Y$$

(b) Complete the logic diagram below for this Boolean equation.

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(c) Describe two advantages of using computer simulation to test a logic circuit before constructing a prototype.

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1 clearer to edit and fix

2 can be shared online with other people to check and discuss work

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12. (continued)

The support pole used to hold the data projector has a cross-sectional area of 190 mm^2 and a stress of 0.84 N mm^{-2} .

(d) (i) Calculate the force acting on the support pole.

3

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= \frac{F}{A} \\
 F &= P \times A \\
 F &= 190 \times 0.84 \\
 F &= 160 \text{ N}
 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) State the nature of the force in the support pole as the data projector pulls down on it.

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compression

The pole supporting the data projector is replaced with one which has a larger cross-sectional area.

(e) Describe the effect this will have on the stress in the support pole.

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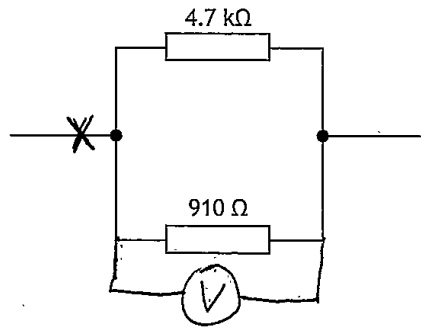
The stress will increase

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13. A hoverboard is shown.



Part of the circuit used in the control of the hoverboard is shown below.



(a) (i) Calculate the total resistance of the circuit.

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$$\frac{1}{R_t} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}$$

$$\frac{1}{R_t} = \frac{1}{910} + \frac{1}{4.7 \times 10^3}$$

$$\frac{1}{R_t} = 1.23 \dots \times 10^{-3}$$

$$R_t = 762.4 \Omega$$

(ii) Draw the symbol for a voltmeter, connected on the circuit above, to measure the voltage across the 910 Ω resistor.

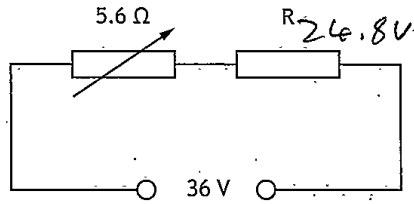
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(iii) Indicate, with an X, on the circuit above where an ammeter would be connected to measure the total current.

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13. (continued)

Part of a second circuit used in the hoverboard is tested using a 36 V supply.



(b) Calculate the value of resistor R to ensure that the circuit current is 2.0 A.

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Handwritten student work for part (b):

~~$V = IR$~~ ~~$V = IR$~~
 ~~$R = \frac{V}{I}$~~ ~~$R = \frac{V}{I}$~~
 ~~$R =$~~

$V = IR$ 36
 $\quad \quad \quad - 11.2$
 $\quad \quad \quad \hline 24.8$

~~scribble~~

$V = IR$ $R = \frac{24.8}{2}$
 $R = 12.4 \Omega$

$V = 2 \times 5.6$
 $V = 11.2 V$

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13. (continued)

The hoverboard and rider have a combined mass of 64 kg.

- (c) Calculate the kinetic energy of the hoverboard and rider when they are travelling at 3.4 m s^{-1} .

2

$$E_k = 0.5 \times m \times v^2$$

$$E_k = 0.5 \times 64 \times 3.4^2$$

$$E_k = 370 \text{ J}$$

The hoverboard is an established technology.

A driverless car is an emerging technology that is not yet established.

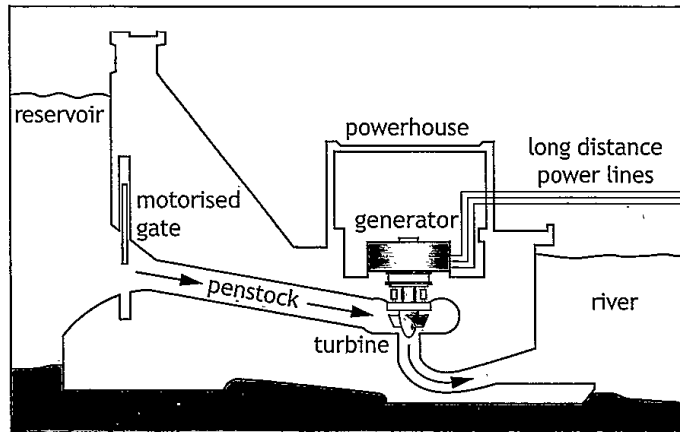
- (d) Explain a possible impact of driverless cars on road safety.

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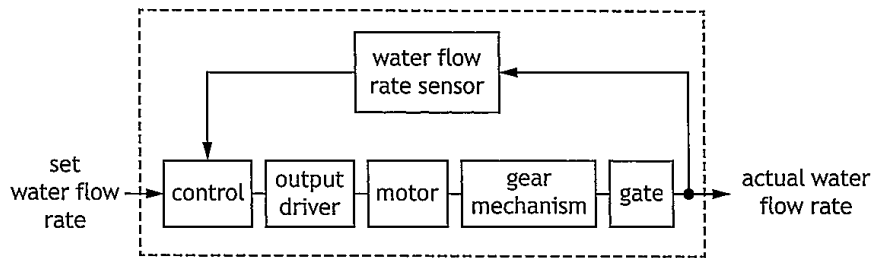
Road Safety might increase
 due to all cars sticking
 to the speed limit and there
 being no need for speed
 cameras

14. Hydropower is used to produce electricity from stored water in a reservoir.
A diagram of a hydropower station is shown.

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A steady flow rate of water must move through the penstock to rotate the turbine.
The water flow rate is adjusted by a motorised gate which can move up or down.
A sub-system diagram for the control of the motorised gate is shown.



- (a) Describe (with reference to the sub-system diagram) the operation of the system.

5

Someone inputs a flow rate it then gets put in to control that tells an output driver to activate a motor which turns a gear mechanism that opens or closes a gate and when the water flow is reached a sensor senses this and tells control to stop opening the gate

14. (continued)

Part of the gear mechanism used to control the gate movement has a velocity ratio of 14:1 and an input speed of 870 revs min⁻¹.

(b) Calculate the output speed of this part of the gear mechanism.

3

~~870~~ ~~of input speed~~

$$\text{Input speed} \times \text{Input size} = \text{Output speed} \times \text{Output size}$$

$$870 \times 14 = 0.5 \times 14$$

$$0.5 = \frac{870 \times 14}{14}$$

$$0.5 = \frac{870}{1} = 870$$

~~870~~

A microcontroller is used in the control of the hydropower station.

(c) Describe one advantage of using a microcontroller instead of a hard wired circuit.

1

_____ can be reprogrammed

14. (continued)

The hydropower station is 0.85 (85%) efficient and generates an output power of 15 MW.

(d) Calculate the input power.

3

$$\eta = \frac{\text{energy out}}{\text{energy in}}$$
~~$$E = \frac{\text{energy out}}{\eta}$$~~

$$E = \frac{15 \times 10^6}{0.85}$$

$$E = 17.6 \text{ MW}$$

(e) Explain the impact of using hydropower on climate change.

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The use of hydro power is good for the planet because it uses gravity and water to generate electricity which is in constant supply

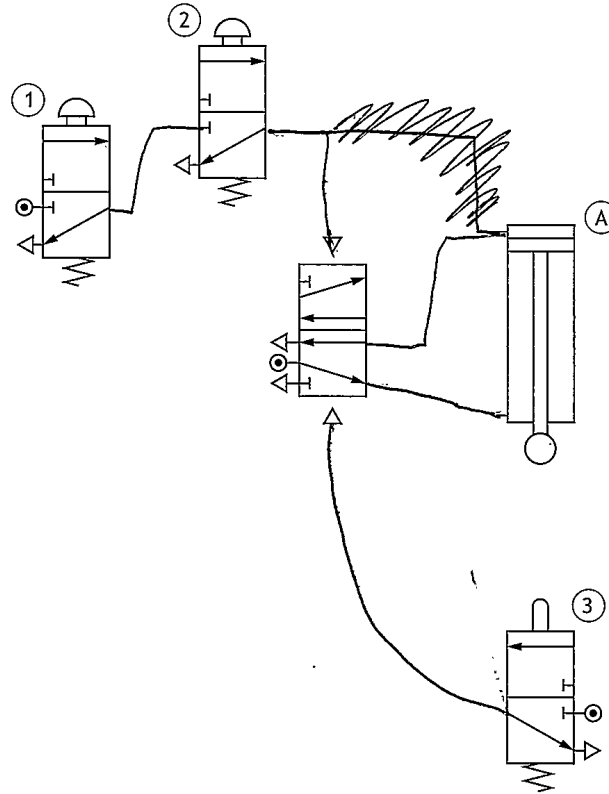
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15. A pneumatic circuit is used in part of a manufacturing process.

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- (a) Complete the piping of the pneumatic circuit below to outstroke the piston in cylinder (A) when valve (1) and valve (2) are actuated. The piston will instroke when valve (3) is actuated.

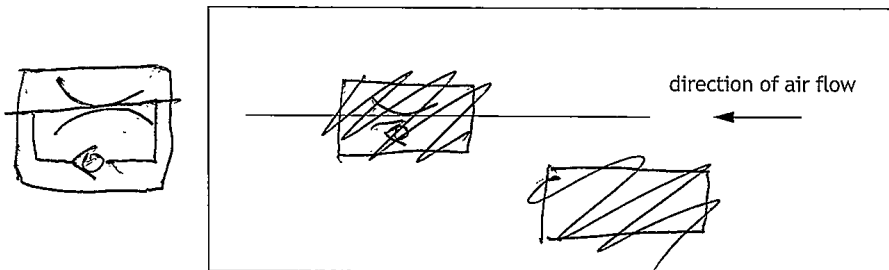
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The speed of the piston movement needs to be slowed down.

- (b) Draw the symbol for a uni-directional restrictor to slow the air flow in the direction shown.

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15. (continued)

Cylinder (A) is supplied with an air pressure of 1.4 N mm^{-2} and the piston has an outstroking force of 490 N.

(c) Calculate the area of the piston in cylinder (A).

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$$P = \frac{F}{A}$$

$$A = \frac{F}{P}$$
~~$$A = \frac{490}{1.4}$$~~

$$A = \frac{490}{1.4}$$

$$A = 350 \text{ mm}^2$$

An engineer compared the size of the outstroke force and the instroke force of a double-acting cylinder when supplied with the same air pressure.

The result of the test showed that there was a difference in the size of the two forces.

(d) Explain the difference in the size of these two forces.

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~~because the outstroke had~~
 because the inward stroke
 had the piston arm in it way it can
 on push on a donut sized area
 over of a full circle

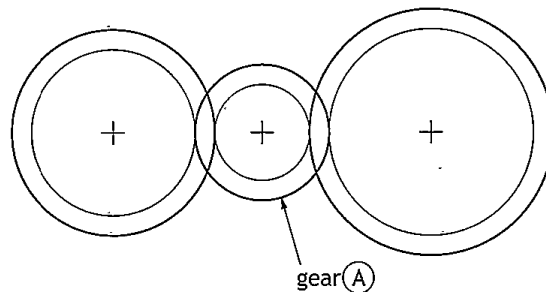
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~~idle gear~~ compound gear

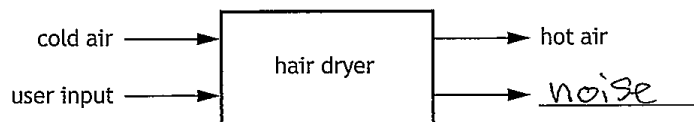
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(b) State the name of gear A.

idle gear

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2. An incomplete system diagram for a hair dryer is shown.



(a) Complete the system diagram above by adding the missing output.

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(b) State the type of control that has no feedback.

open loop control

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Calculate the work done when the workbench is pushed a distance of 12 m.

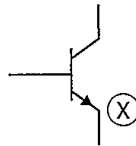
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$$E_w = Fd$$

$$= 2200 \times 12$$

$$= 26400$$

4. Transistors are used in many electronic products.



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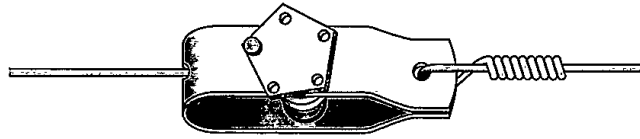
Its a electric switch

- (b) State the name of connection (X) on the transistor symbol above.

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5. A tensioner is used to tighten the wire on a farm fence.



A 25 m length of wire was stretched by 0.012 m when fully tensioned.

(a) Calculate the strain in the wire.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \epsilon &= \frac{\Delta L}{L} \\
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 &= 4.8 \times 10^{-4} \\
 &= 48000.
 \end{aligned}$$

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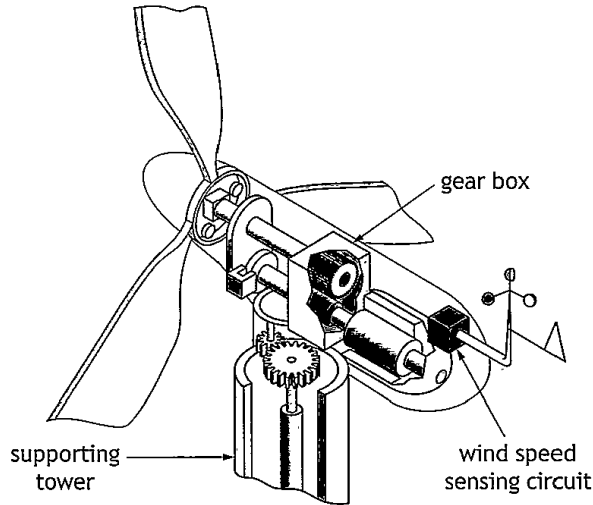
(b) Select the most suitable material (A–D) from the table for the wire and justify your choice.

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Choice of material C

Justification It not brittle and its
corrosion resistant

6. An offshore wind farm has wind turbines which are located out at sea.
A diagram of the inside of one of the wind turbines is shown.



- (a) State which branch of engineering would be responsible for the design of the:

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electronical engineer

(ii) supporting tower

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Structural engineer

(iii) gear box.

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mechanical engineer

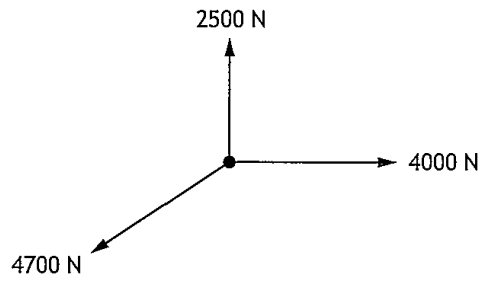
- (b) Describe one role an **environmental** engineer would have during the **construction** of the offshore wind farm.

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to monitor the affect on the
wild life near by

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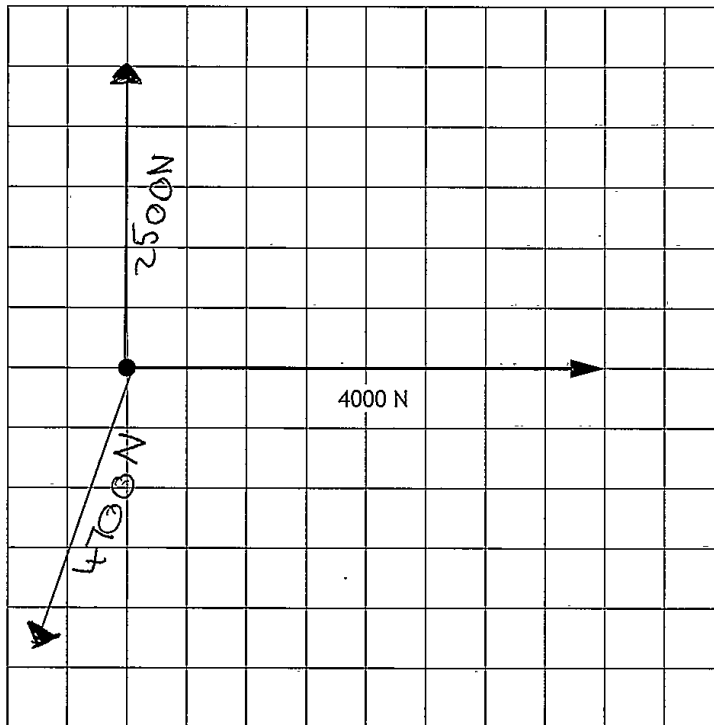
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Complete the triangle of forces scale drawing below for the given forces.
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scale 10 mm = 500 N



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Describe two environmental impacts of solar as a source of energy.

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1 They dont produce CO²

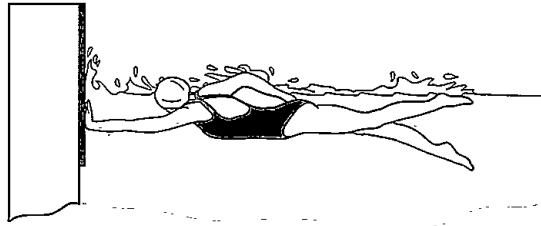
2 they take up animals habitats

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SECTION 2 — 90 marks

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master switch	0	

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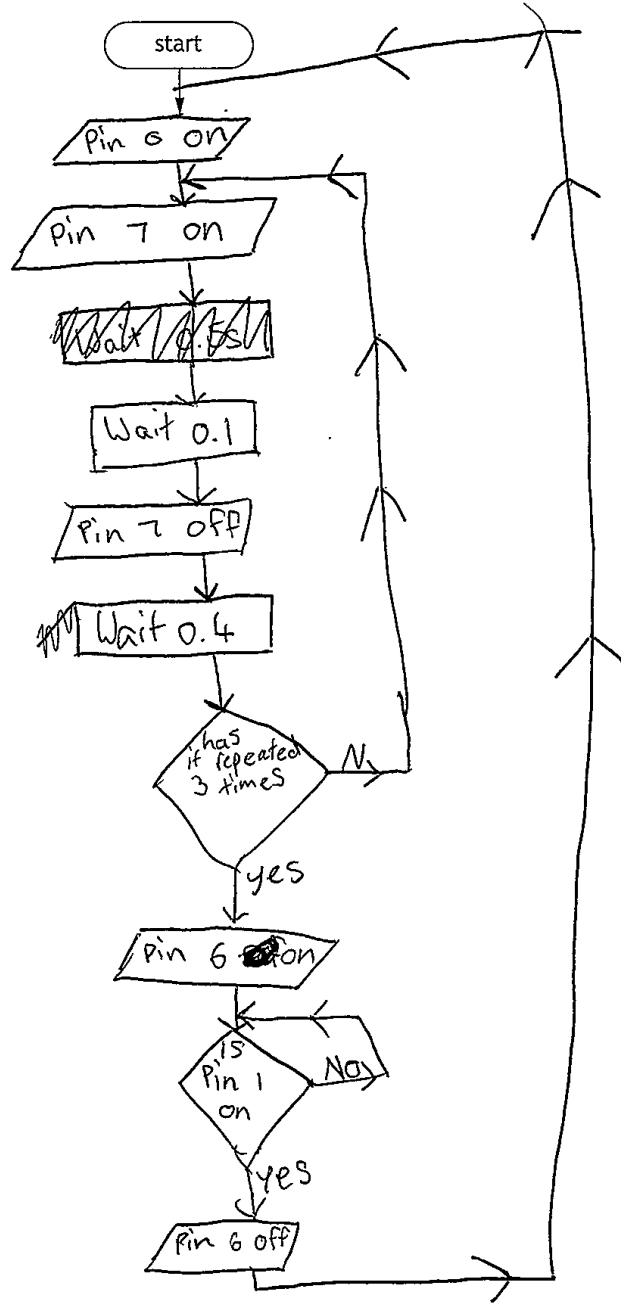
- A master switch is pressed
- A buzzer then sounds on and then off three times over 1.5 seconds
- The timer then starts
- When a lane switch is pressed the timer stops
- The system will then reset ready to be used again

9. (continued)

(a) Complete the flowchart for the sequence, with reference to the data booklet and input/output connections.

Include all pin numbers and delay units in your flowchart.

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9. (continued)

A program used in a different control system is listed below.

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3           switch on 5
4           pause 600
5           switch off 4
6           switch off 5
7           pause 600
8           let count = count + 1
9           if count = 20 then label_2
10          goto main
11  label_2: if Input0 is on then label_3
12          goto label_2
13  label_3: switch on 7
14          pause 3000
15          switch off 7
16          goto main

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(b) Describe the function of line 16 in the program.

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It resets the ~~reset~~ counter

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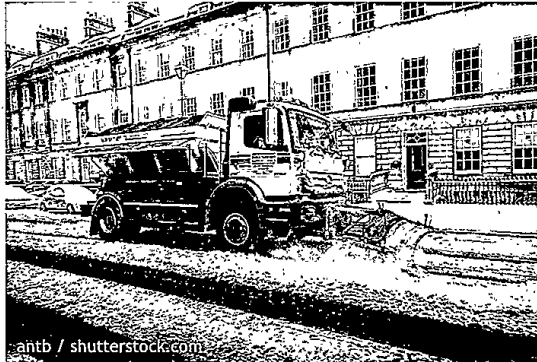
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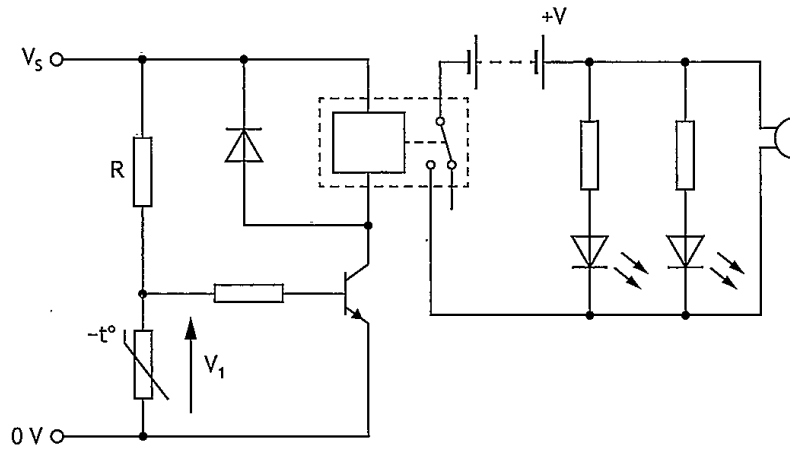
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It says "goto main" when it should say goto label_1. It says "goto label_2" when it ~~should~~ should say goto label_1

10. The road gritter shown below is used to spread salt on icy roads.



The warning circuit shown below is used to alert the driver of a low temperature.



10. (continued)

- (a) Describe the operation of the warning circuit shown opposite. Make reference to the resistance of the thermistor and the voltage V_1 .

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When the temperature decreases to a low temperature . . .

the resistance decreases. When V_1 is above 0.7V the transistor turns on ~~the~~ which turns on the relay. The diode is there to protect the relay from ~~the~~ back emf. the relay turns on the bigger circuit. the base resistor protects the transistor from too much voltage.

The fixed resistor (R) is replaced with a variable resistor.

- (b) Explain the effect on the operation of the warning circuit by replacing the fixed resistor (R) with the variable resistor.

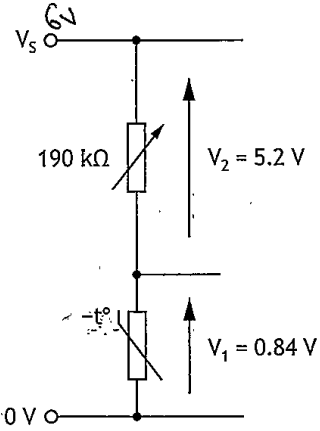
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It would make the circuit more sensitive and you could change the temperature that it would turn on at.

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10. (continued)

The input sensing circuit (which is part of the warning circuit) is shown below.



(c) Calculate the resistance of the thermistor.

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$$\frac{V_1}{V_2} = \frac{R_1}{R_2}$$

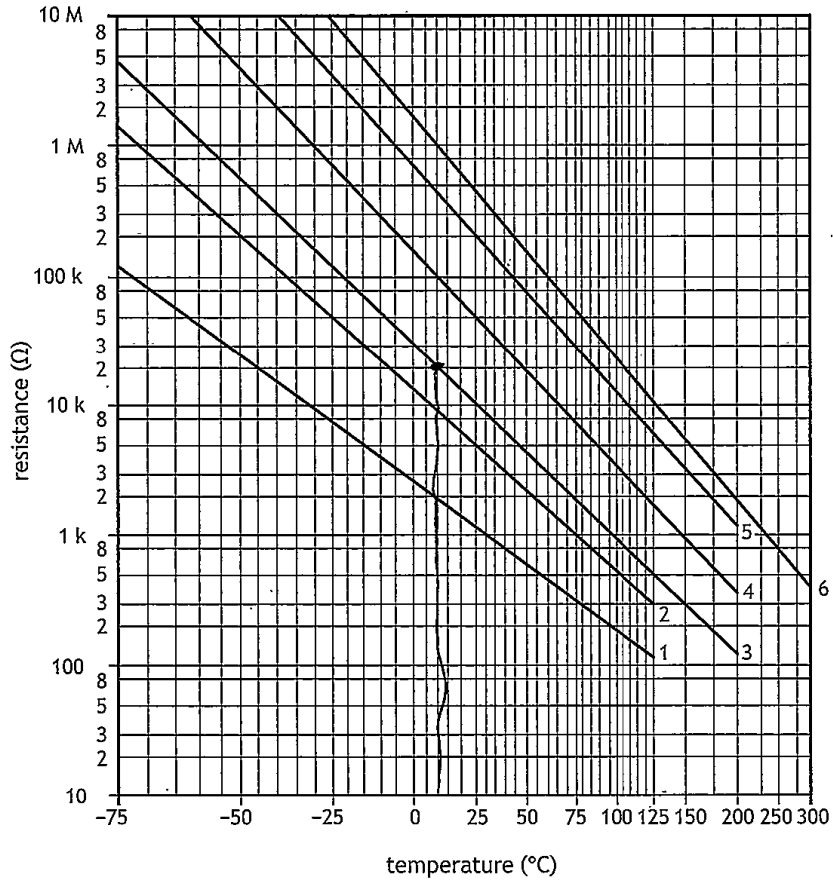
$$\frac{0.84}{5.2} = \frac{190}{R_2}$$

$$8.5 \times 10^{-4} = R_2$$

$$R_2 = 85000\text{ k}\Omega$$

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The operating characteristics of a range of thermistors are shown on the graph below.



- (d) Determine (with reference to the graph above) the resistance of a type 3 thermistor when the temperature is 10 °C.

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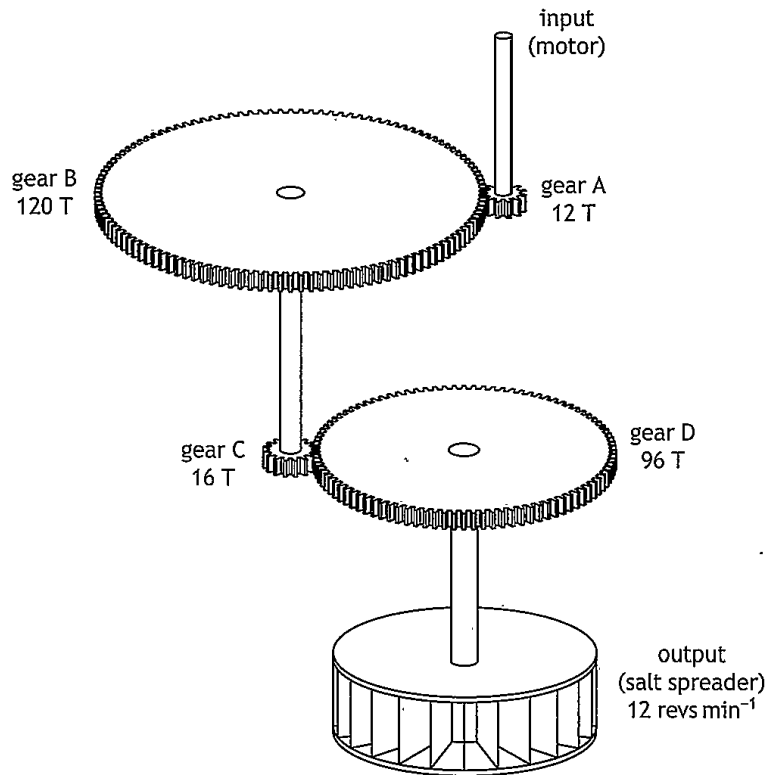
20 kΩ

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10. (continued)

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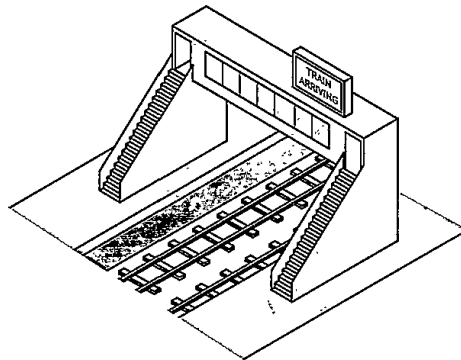


(e) Calculate the input speed of the motor.

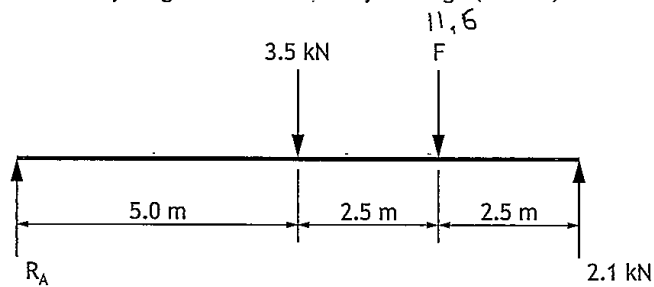
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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{mmf} &= \frac{16}{96} = 0.16 & v_{\text{out}} &= \frac{12}{0.16} = 75 \\
 \text{mmf} &= \frac{12}{120} = 0.1 & v_{\text{out}} &= \frac{75}{0.1} = 750 \text{ revs Per min} \\
 \text{input speed} &= 750 \text{ revs Per min}
 \end{aligned}$$

11. A walkway linking two railway platforms is shown.



A simplified freebody diagram of the walkway and sign (force F) is shown below.



(a) (i) Calculate the force F by taking moments about RA.

3

$$\sum M_{RA} = 0$$

$$(5 \times 3.5) - 2.1 \times 10 = 0$$

$$17.5 = 21$$

$$17.5 \neq 21$$

$$17.5 \neq RA$$

$$kN$$

$$17.5 - 2.1 \times 3.5$$

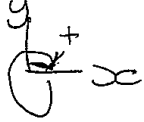
$$= \underline{\underline{11.9 kN}}$$

11. (a) (continued)

(ii) Calculate the reaction force R_A .

2

$$\sum F_v = 0$$

$$= 0$$


Lifts are installed at both ends of the walkway.

(b) (i) Describe one positive social impact of installing the lifts.

1

people can get places faster

(ii) Describe one positive economic impact of installing the lifts.

1

more people will go because they don't have to walk up stairs;

(iii) Describe one negative economic impact of installing the lifts.

they cost a lot of money to make and install.

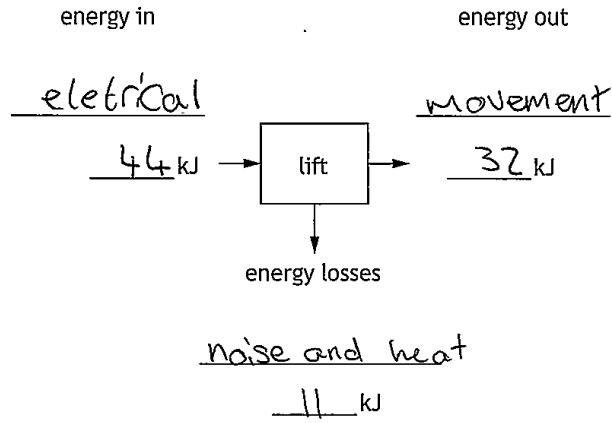
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11. (continued)

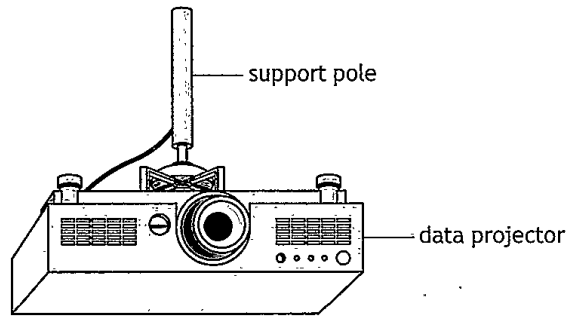
The electrical energy supplied to raise one lift up to the walkway is 44 kJ.
 The lift has a potential energy of 32 kJ when it is at the top of the walkway.

- (c) Complete the energy audit diagram below for the lift.
 Include the main forms of energy and their values,

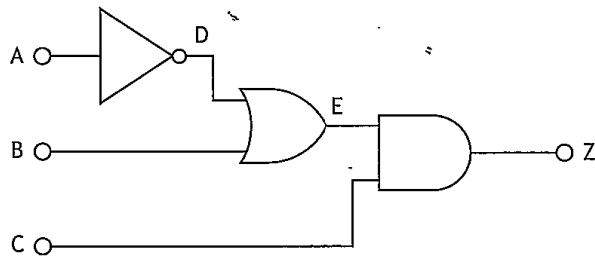
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12. A ceiling mounted data projector and support pole are shown.



Logic circuits are used to control the data projector. A logic diagram for one of the circuits is shown below.



(a) Complete the truth table for the logic diagram shown above.

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A	B	C	D	E	Z
0	0	0	1	1	0
0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	0
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1	1	1	0	1	1

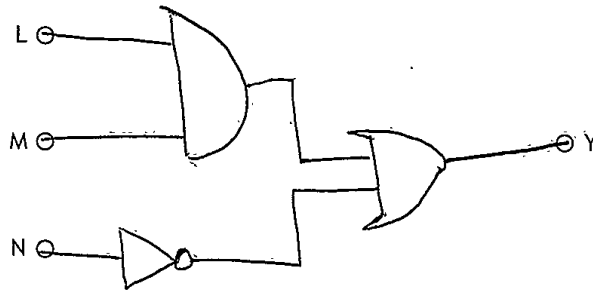
12. (continued)

The Boolean equation for a second logic circuit is given below.

$$(L \cdot M) + \bar{N} = Y$$

(b) Complete the logic diagram below for this Boolean equation.

3



(c) Describe two advantages of using computer simulation to test a logic circuit before constructing a prototype.

2

1. Its cheaper to do a simulation

2. Its faster to do a simulation

12. (continued)

The support pole used to hold the data projector has a cross-sectional area of 190 mm² and a stress of 0.84 N mm⁻².

(d) (i) Calculate the force acting on the support pole.

3

$$\sigma = \frac{F}{A}$$

$$F = \sigma \times A$$

$$= 0.84 \times 190$$

$$= 159.6 \text{ N}$$

(ii) State the nature of the force in the support pole as the data projector pulls down on it.

1

tension

The pole supporting the data projector is replaced with one which has a larger cross-sectional area.

(e) Describe the effect this will have on the stress in the support pole.

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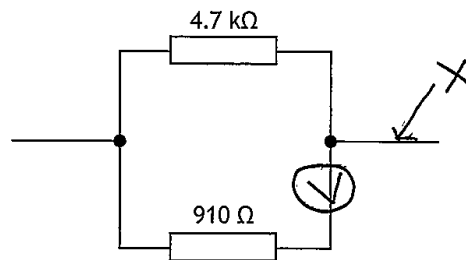
the stress on the pole would reduce.

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13. A hoverboard is shown.



Part of the circuit used in the control of the hoverboard is shown below.



(a) (i) Calculate the total resistance of the circuit.

2

$$R_t = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$R_t = \frac{4700 \times 910}{4700 + 910}$$

$$R_t = 762.4 \Omega$$

(ii) Draw the symbol for a voltmeter, connected on the circuit above, to measure the voltage across the 910 Ω resistor.

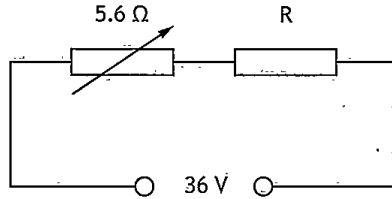
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(iii) Indicate, with an X, on the circuit above where an ammeter would be connected to measure the total current.

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13. (continued)

Part of a second circuit used in the hoverboard is tested using a 36 V supply.



(b) Calculate the value of resistor R to ensure that the circuit current is 2.0 A.

4

Handwritten student work:

$$I = 2 \quad R = ?$$

$$V = 36 \quad V = IR$$

$$R = \frac{V}{I}$$

$$= \frac{36}{2}$$

$$= 18$$

$$18 - 5.6 = 12.4$$

$$R = 12.4 \Omega$$

A small triangle diagram is drawn with 'V' at the top vertex and 'IR' at the bottom vertex, representing the equation $V = IR$.

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13. (continued)

The hoverboard and rider have a combined mass of 64 kg.

- (c) Calculate the kinetic energy of the hoverboard and rider when they are travelling at 3.4 m s^{-1} .

2

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_k &= \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} 64 \times 3.4^2 \\
 &= 369.92 \text{ N}
 \end{aligned}$$

The hoverboard is an established technology.

A driverless car is an emerging technology that is not yet established.

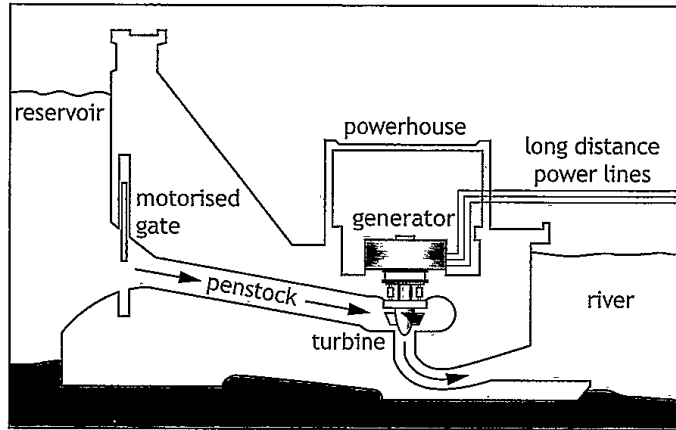
- (d) Explain a possible impact of driverless cars on road safety.

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Driver error would be reduced
 because no body would be
 driving. Machine error would increase
 putting people at risk.

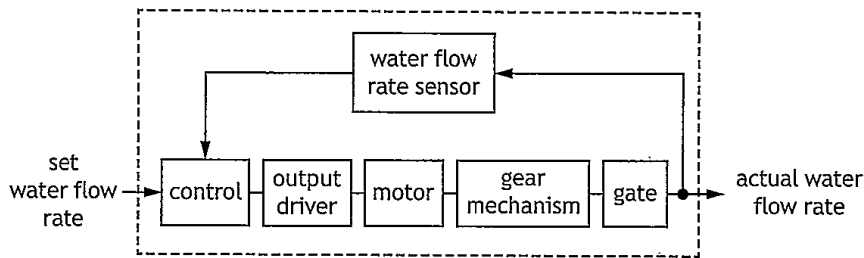
14. Hydropower is used to produce electricity from stored water in a reservoir.
A diagram of a hydropower station is shown.

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A steady flow rate of water must move through the penstock to rotate the turbine.
The water flow rate is adjusted by a motorised gate which can move up or down.

A sub-system diagram for the control of the motorised gate is shown.



- (a) Describe (with reference to the sub-system diagram) the operation of the system.

5

the control unit compares the
actual state to the desired
state and if they don't match
the output driver will turn on,
which turns on the motor which
turns the motor mechanism
which will ~~turn on~~ open the
gate and the water flow sensor
will tell the control the water flow.

14. (continued)

Part of the gear mechanism used to control the gate movement has a velocity ratio of 14:1 and an input speed of 870 revs min⁻¹.

(b) Calculate the output speed of this part of the gear mechanism.

3

$$V_{out} = \frac{870}{14} = 62.1 \text{ revs per min}$$

A microcontroller is used in the control of the hydropower station.

(c) Describe one advantage of using a microcontroller instead of a hard wired circuit.

1

its easier to change because
its digital

14. (continued)

The hydropower station is 0.85 (85%) efficient and generates an output power of 15 MW.

(d) Calculate the input power.

3

$$85\% = 15 \text{ MW}$$
~~$$15 \times 1.15 = 17.25 \text{ MW}$$~~

$$100\% = 17.25 \text{ MW}$$

(e) Explain the impact of using hydropower on climate change.

2

It doesn't produce on CO_2 which is good for the environment. ~~It does destroy habitats which is bad~~ It take a lot of machines to build and they produce CO_2 .

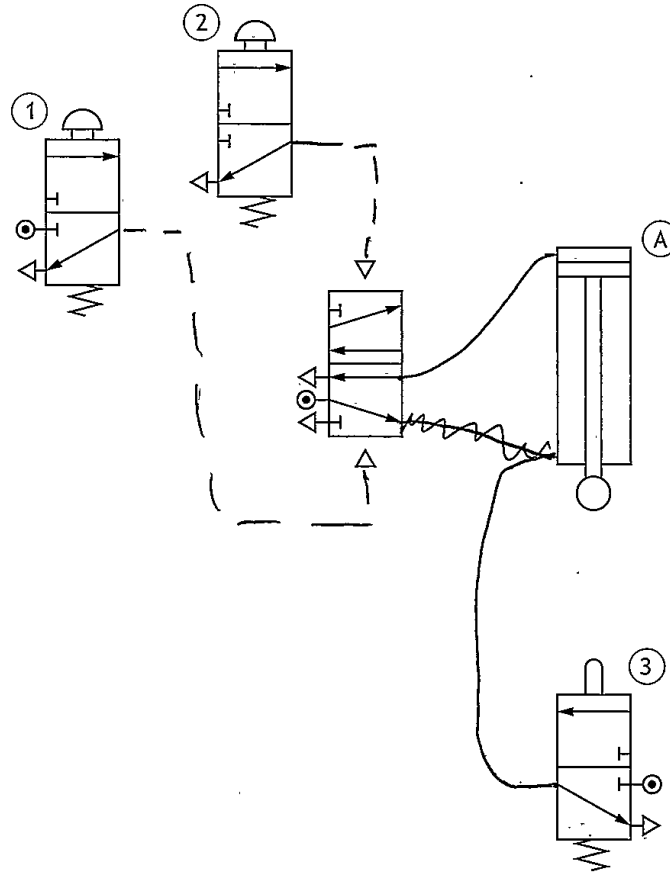
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15. A pneumatic circuit is used in part of a manufacturing process.

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- (a) Complete the piping of the pneumatic circuit below to outstroke the piston in cylinder (A) when valve (1) and valve (2) are actuated. The piston will instroke when valve (3) is actuated.

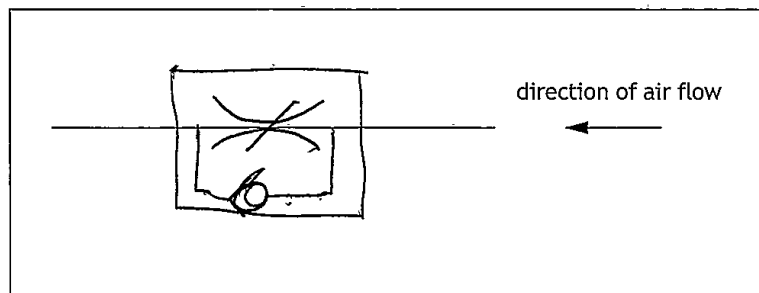
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The speed of the piston movement needs to be slowed down.

- (b) Draw the symbol for a uni-directional restrictor to slow the air flow in the direction shown.

2



15. (continued)

Cylinder (A) is supplied with an air pressure of 1.4 N mm^{-2} and the piston has an outstroking force of 490 N.


(c) Calculate the area of the piston in cylinder (A).

3

$$P = \frac{F}{A}$$

$$A = \frac{F}{P}$$

$$= \frac{490}{1.4}$$

$$= 350 \text{ mm}^2$$


An engineer compared the size of the outstroke force and the instroke force of a double-acting cylinder when supplied with the same air pressure.

The result of the test showed that there was a difference in the size of the two forces.

(d) Explain the difference in the size of these two forces.

2

There is more force when in stroking because there is less room in the cylinder.

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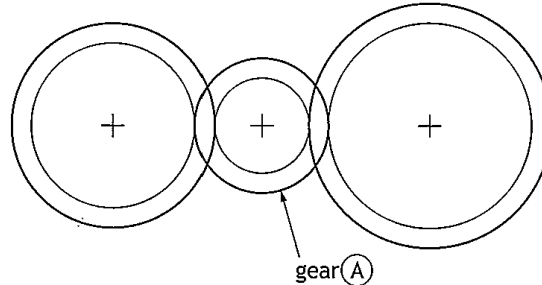
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SECTION 1 — 20 marks

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1. A gear train is shown below.



- (a) State the type of gear train shown.

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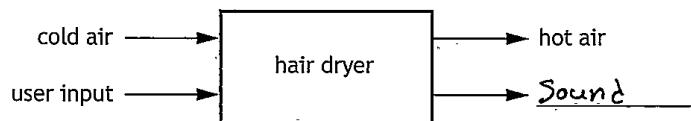
Direct gear box

- (b) State the name of gear (A).

1

Drive gear

2. An incomplete system diagram for a hair dryer is shown.



- (a) Complete the system diagram above by adding the missing output.

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- (b) State the type of control that has no feedback.

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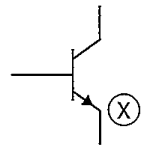
closed loop

3. A force of 2200 N is required to push a workbench across a workshop floor. Calculate the work done when the workbench is pushed a distance of 12 m.

2

$W = FD$
 $W = 2200 \times 12$
 $W = 26400 \text{ J}$

4. Transistors are used in many electronic products.



(a) Describe the function of a transistor.

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a transistor SPLITs the voltage

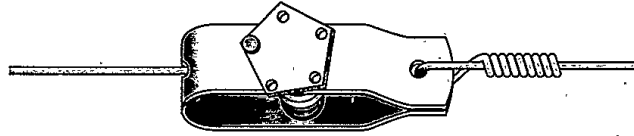
(b) State the name of connection (X) on the transistor symbol above.

1

NPN transistor

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5. A tensioner is used to tighten the wire on a farm fence.



A 25 m length of wire was stretched by 0.012 m when fully tensioned.

(a) Calculate the strain in the wire.

2

$$E = \frac{\Delta L}{L}$$

$$E = \frac{0.012}{25}$$

$$E = 4 \times 10^{-4}$$

The table below shows details of materials that were considered for the wire.

Material	Corrosion resistant	Property
A	no	ductile
B	yes	brittle
C	yes	ductile
D	no	brittle

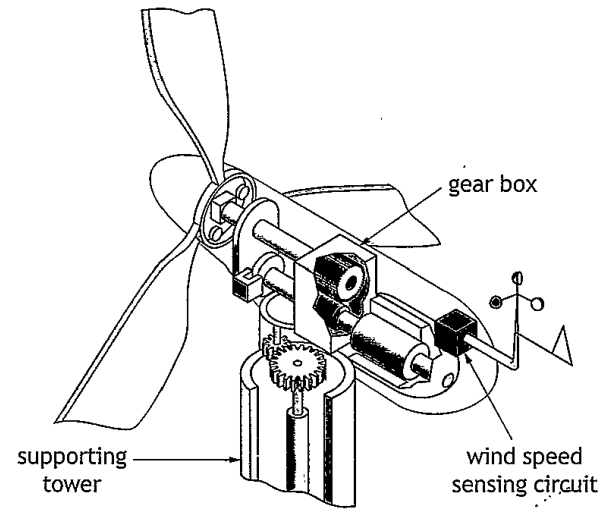
(b) Select the most suitable material (A–D) from the table for the wire and justify your choice.

2

Choice of material C

Justification the material must be corrosion resistant
and it can't be brittle as it would shatter

6. An offshore wind farm has wind turbines which are located out at sea.
A diagram of the inside of one of the wind turbines is shown.



(a) State which branch of engineering would be responsible for the design of the:

(i) wind speed sensing circuit 1

Electrical engineer

(ii) supporting tower 1

Civil engineer ~~electrical engineer~~

(iii) gear box. 1

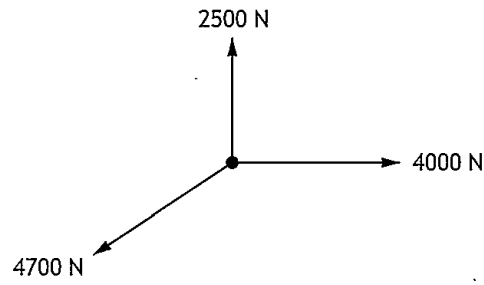
mechanical engineer

(b) Describe one role an **environmental** engineer would have during the construction of the offshore wind farm. 1

Looking at environmental ^{Impacts} ~~impacts~~ the wind farm
might have such as wildlife

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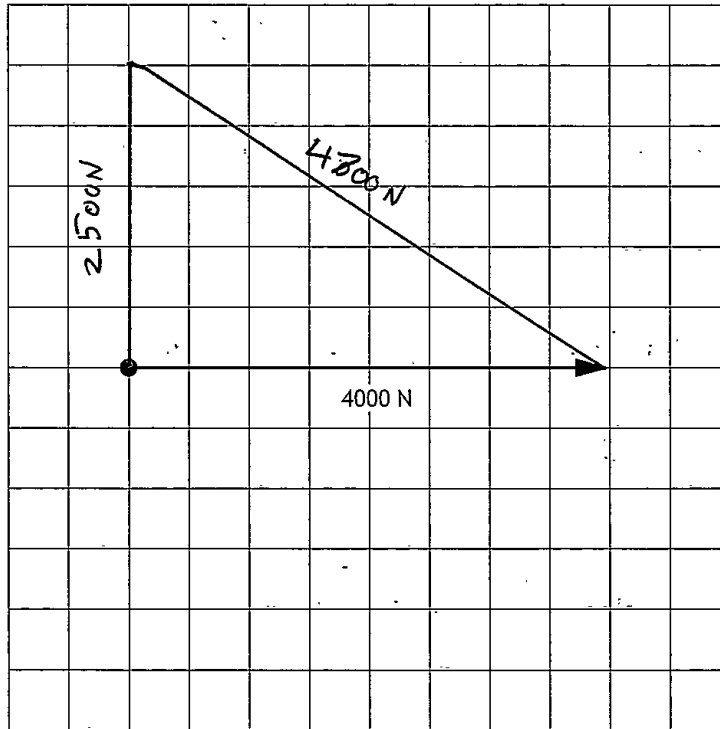
7. Three forces, in equilibrium, acting on part of a structure are shown below.



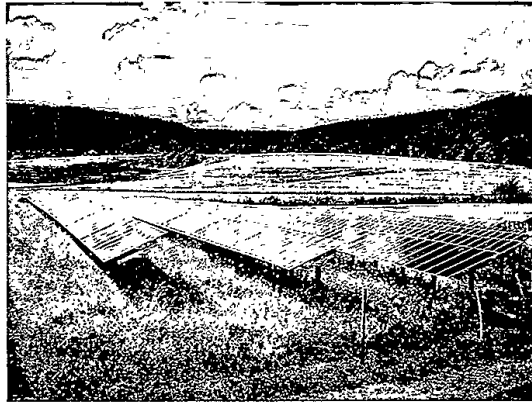
Complete the triangle of forces scale drawing below for the given forces.
Forces must include an arrow head to show the direction.

2

scale 10 mm = 500 N



8. A solar farm is shown.



Describe two environmental impacts of solar as a source of energy.

2

1 Takes up space in areas that ~~was~~ wildlife live

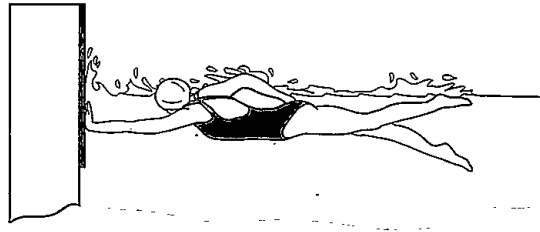
2 required machines and wires to create

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SECTION 2 — 90 marks

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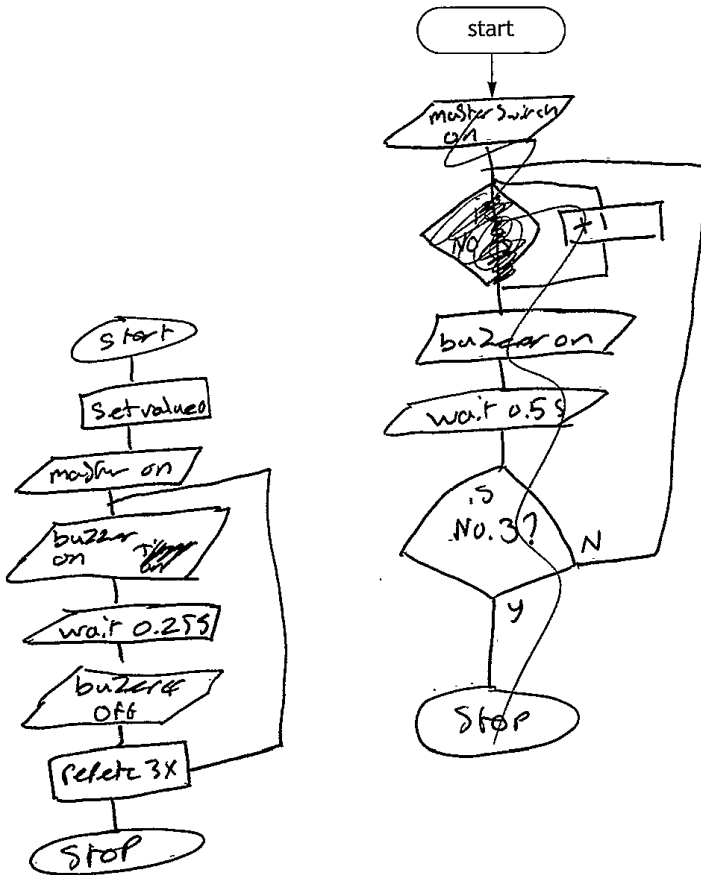
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9. (continued)

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14          pause 3000
15          switch off 7
16          goto main

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(b) Describe the function of line 16 in the program.

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it resets the number to 0 making it ready for next use

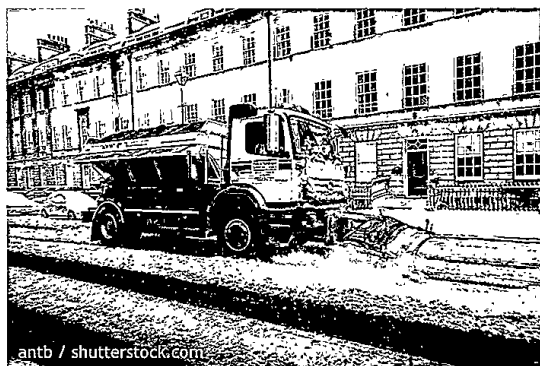
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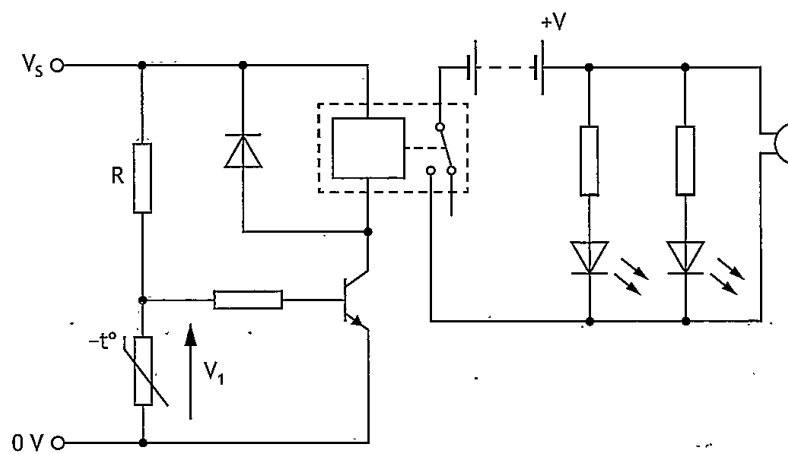
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it repeats at 8 and not at 2 and 9. But changing

10. The road gritter shown below is used to spread salt on icy roads.



The warning circuit shown below is used to alert the driver of a low temperature.



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10. (continued)

- (a) Describe the operation of the warning circuit shown opposite. Make reference to the resistance of the thermistor and the voltage V_1 .

4

When the temperature decreases to a low temperature . . .

The resistance in the thermistor decrease
therefor the current decreases allowing for the Led's
to be powered on

The fixed resistor (R) is replaced with a variable resistor.

- (b) Explain the effect on the operation of the warning circuit by replacing the fixed resistor (R) with the variable resistor.

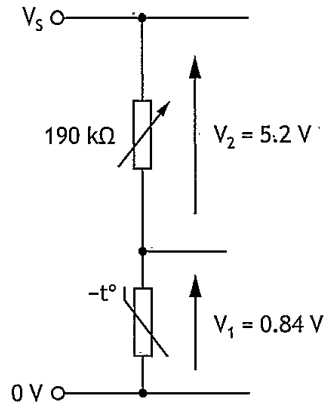
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the circuit would be the same as long as the variable
resistor is set to the same amount of R as the
normal one

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10. (continued)

The input sensing circuit (which is part of the warning circuit) is shown below.



(c) Calculate the resistance of the thermistor.

3

$$\frac{V_1}{V_2} = \frac{R_1}{R_2}$$

$$\frac{0.84 \times 100000}{5.2} = \frac{R_1 \times 190000}{190000}$$

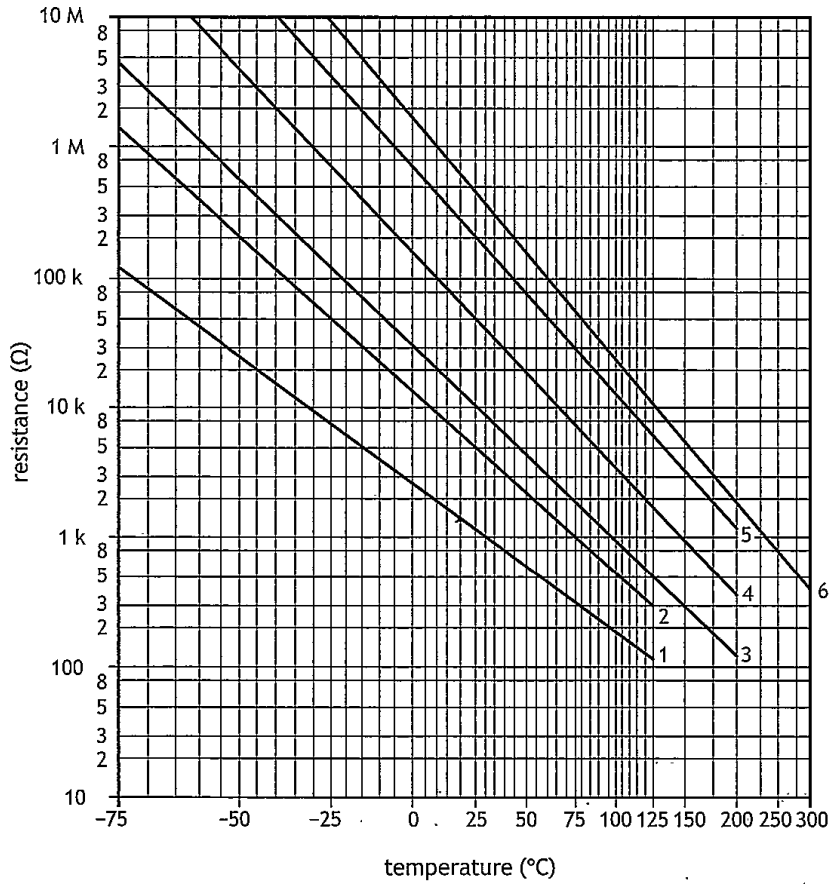
$$R_1 = \frac{190000 \times 0.84}{5.2}$$

$$R_1 = 30692$$

$$R_1 = 31\text{ k}\Omega$$

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- (d) Determine (with reference to the graph above) the resistance of a type 3 thermistor when the temperature is 10 °C.

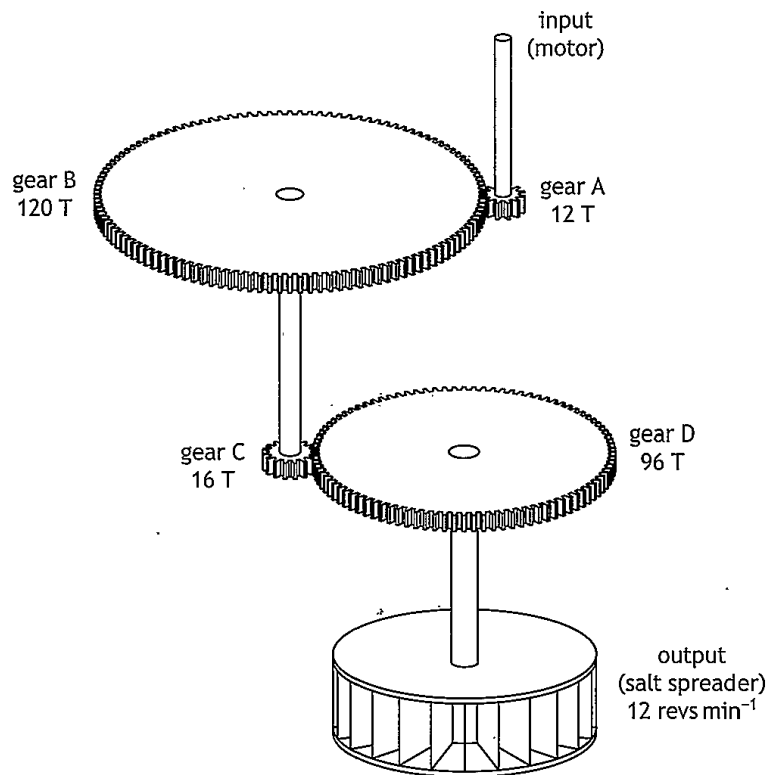
10kΩ

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10. (continued)

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The gear train shown below is used to drive the salt spreading system.



(e) Calculate the input speed of the motor.

4

$$v_r = \frac{I_n}{out}$$

$$v_r = \frac{I_n}{12}$$

$$I_n = v_r \times 12$$

$$I_n = 0.794 \times 12$$

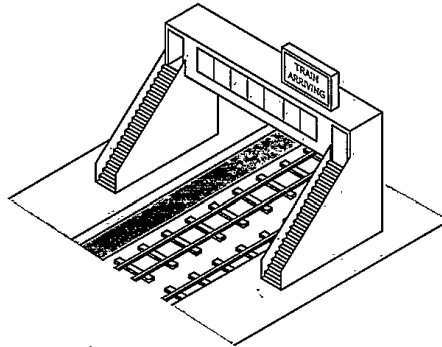
$$I_n = 9.53 \text{ rpm}$$

$$v_r = \frac{No \text{ of teeth}}{No \text{ of teeth}}$$

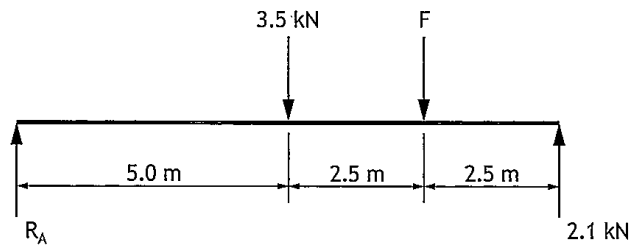
$$v_r = \frac{12 + 96}{120 + 16}$$

$$v_r = 0.794$$

11. A walkway linking two railway platforms is shown.



A simplified freebody diagram of the walkway and sign (force F) is shown below.



(a) (i) Calculate the force F by taking moments about RA.

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$$F = \frac{\text{left}}{\text{right}}$$

$$F = \frac{3500 \times 5 \times 2.5}{2.5 \times 21000}$$

$$F = 82.3 \text{ N}$$

11. (a) (continued)

(ii) Calculate the reaction force R_A .

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$$R_A = \begin{matrix} \text{Total} \\ \text{Down} \end{matrix} - \begin{matrix} \text{Total} \\ \text{up} \end{matrix}$$
$$R_A = \cancel{1452} - 2100 = 3552 - 2100$$
$$R_A = \cancel{0.24} \text{ kN} = 1452 \text{ N}$$

Lifts are installed at both ends of the walkway.

(b) (i) Describe one positive social impact of installing the lifts.

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more people can access the station

(ii) Describe one positive economic impact of installing the lifts.

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can be used to transport goods quicker and safer

(iii) Describe one negative economic impact of installing the lifts.

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costs money and uses energy

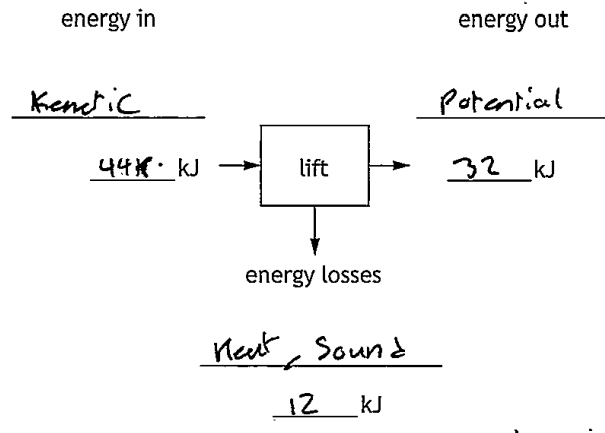
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11. (continued)

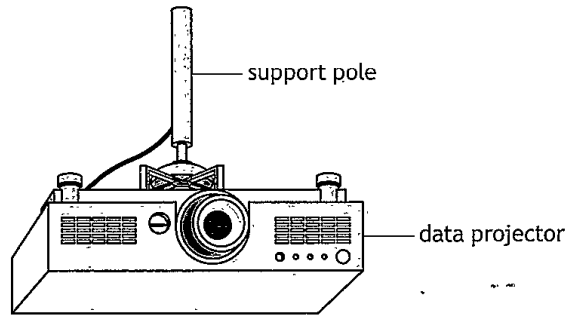
The electrical energy supplied to raise one lift up to the walkway is 44 kJ.
 The lift has a potential energy of 32 kJ when it is at the top of the walkway.

- (c) Complete the energy audit diagram below for the lift.
 Include the main forms of energy and their values.

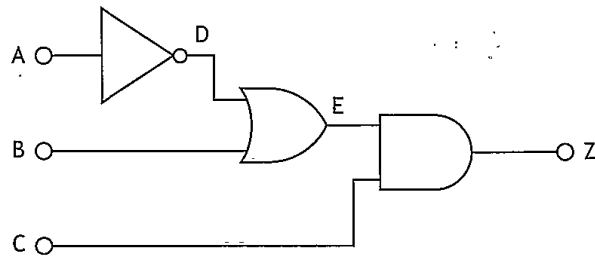
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12. A ceiling mounted data projector and support pole are shown.



Logic circuits are used to control the data projector. A logic diagram for one of the circuits is shown below.



(a) Complete the truth table for the logic diagram shown above.

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A	B	C	D	E	Z
0	0	0	1	1	0
0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	1	1	1
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1	1	0	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	1	1

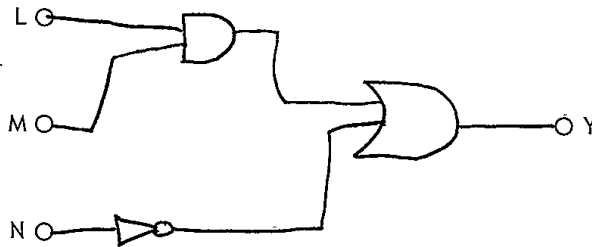
12. (continued)

The Boolean equation for a second logic circuit is given below.

$$(L \cdot M) + \bar{N} = Y$$

(b) Complete the logic diagram below for this Boolean equation.

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(c) Describe two advantages of using computer simulation to test a logic circuit before constructing a prototype.

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1 Quicker and doesn't require parts so if some thing breaks it doesn't matter

2 tells you the issue ^{at} a failing circuit

12. (continued)

The support pole used to hold the data projector has a cross-sectional area of 190 mm^2 and a stress of 0.84 N mm^{-2} .

- (d) (i) Calculate the force acting on the support pole.

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$$F = \sigma \times A$$
$$F = 0.84 \times 190$$
$$F = 159.6 \text{ N}$$

- (ii) State the nature of the force in the support pole as the data projector pulls down on it.

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Strut

The pole supporting the data projector is replaced with one which has a larger cross-sectional area.

- (e) Describe the effect this will have on the stress in the support pole.

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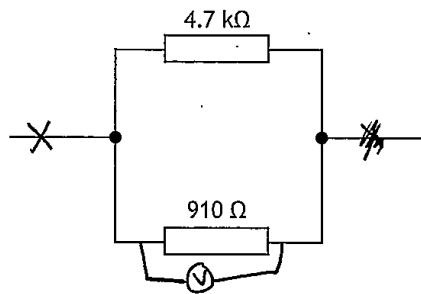
the stress would be more

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13. A hoverboard is shown.



Part of the circuit used in the control of the hoverboard is shown below.



(a) (i) Calculate the total resistance of the circuit.

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$$R_T = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}}$$

$$R_T = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{4700} + \frac{1}{910}}$$

$$R_T = 762.4 \Omega$$

(ii) Draw the symbol for a voltmeter, connected on the circuit above, to measure the voltage across the 910 Ω resistor.

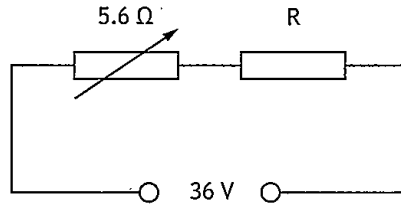
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(iii) Indicate, with an X, on the circuit above where an ammeter would be connected to measure the total current.

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13. (continued)

Part of a second circuit used in the hoverboard is tested using a 36 V supply.



(b) Calculate the value of resistor R to ensure that the circuit current is 2.0 A.

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~~$V_2 = IR$~~

$V_1 = IR$

$V = 2 \times 5.6$

$V_1 = 11.2 \text{ V}$

$V_2 = IR$

$R_2 = \frac{V_2}{I}$

$R_2 = \frac{24.8}{2}$

$R_2 = 12.4 \Omega$

$V = IR$

$I = \frac{V}{R}$

$I = \frac{36}{12.4 + 5.6}$

$I = 2 \text{ A}$

~~$R_2 = \frac{V_2}{I}$~~

~~$R_2 = \frac{24.8}{2}$~~

~~$R_2 = 12.4 \Omega$~~

~~$V_1 = 11.2$~~

~~$V_2 = 24.8$~~

~~$V = 36$~~

~~$I = 2$~~

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13. (continued)

The hoverboard and rider have a combined mass of 64 kg.

- (c) Calculate the kinetic energy of the hoverboard and rider when they are travelling at 3.4 m s^{-1} .

2

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

$$KE = 32 \times 3.4^2$$

$$KE = 369.92 \text{ J}$$

The hoverboard is an established technology.

A driverless car is an emerging technology that is not yet established.

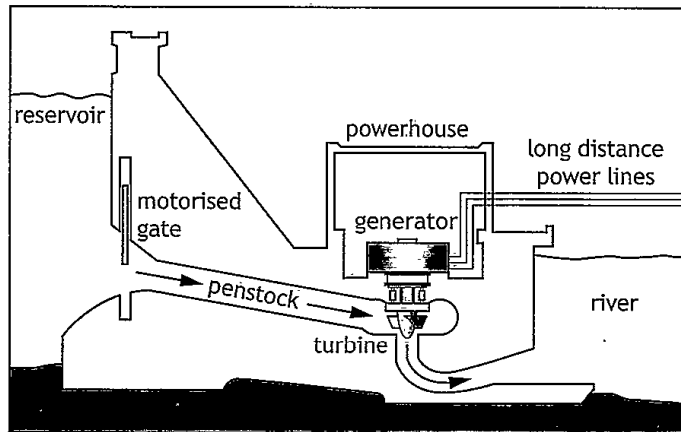
- (d) Explain a possible impact of driverless cars on road safety.

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the soft wear could fail or get blocked resulting
in a un operable car that is driven by technology
resulting in crashes
the car could reduce human error or roads

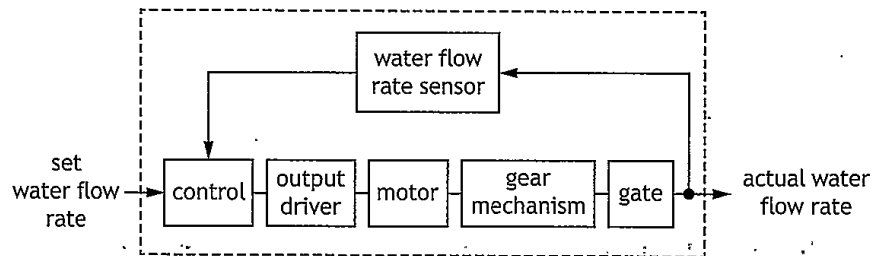
14. Hydropower is used to produce electricity from stored water in a reservoir.
A diagram of a hydropower-station is shown.

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A steady flow rate of water must move through the penstock to rotate the turbine.
The water flow rate is adjusted by a motorised gate which can move up or down.

A sub-system diagram for the control of the motorised gate is shown.



- (a) Describe (with reference to the sub-system diagram) the operation of the system.

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user sets water flow rate that input goes to the control which then sends a signal to the output driver that starts the motor spinning the gears opening the gate the flow rate sensor checks how much it is flowing then changes if needed to users set value

14. (continued)

Part of the gear mechanism used to control the gate movement has a velocity ratio of 14:1 and an input speed of 870 revs min⁻¹.

(b) Calculate the output speed of this part of the gear mechanism.

3

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \text{ } v_r &= \frac{I_n}{O_n} \\ O_n &= \frac{I_n}{v_r} \\ O_n &= \frac{870}{14} \\ O_n &= 62.14 \text{ RPM} \end{aligned}$$

A microcontroller is used in the control of the hydropower station.

(c) Describe one advantage of using a microcontroller instead of a hard wired circuit.

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a micro controller is smaller and uses less wires

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14. (continued)

The hydropower station is 0.85 (85%) efficient and generates an output power of 15 MW.

(d) Calculate the input power.

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$$\begin{aligned} 85\% &= 15 \text{ MW} \\ \div 85 & \quad \div 85 \\ 1\% &= 0.176 \text{ MW} \\ \times 100 & \quad \times 100 \\ 100\% &= 17.65 \text{ MW} \\ \underline{\underline{\text{in} = 17.65 \text{ MW}}} \end{aligned}$$

(e) Explain the impact of using hydropower on climate change.

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using hydropower is better for climate change
as it is renewable

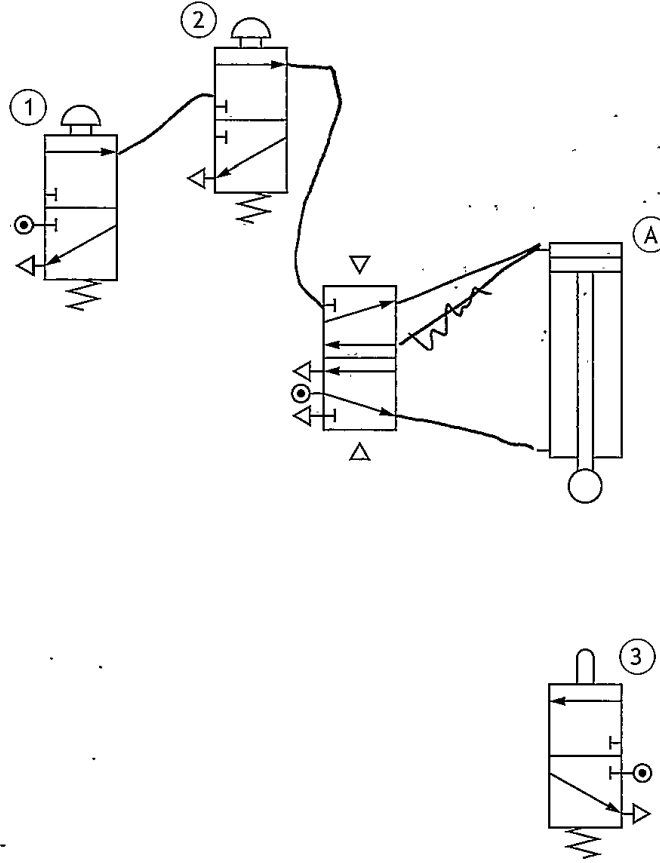
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15. A pneumatic circuit is used in part of a manufacturing process.

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- (a) Complete the piping of the pneumatic circuit below to outstroke the piston in cylinder (A) when valve (1) and valve (2) are actuated. The piston will instroke when valve (3) is actuated.

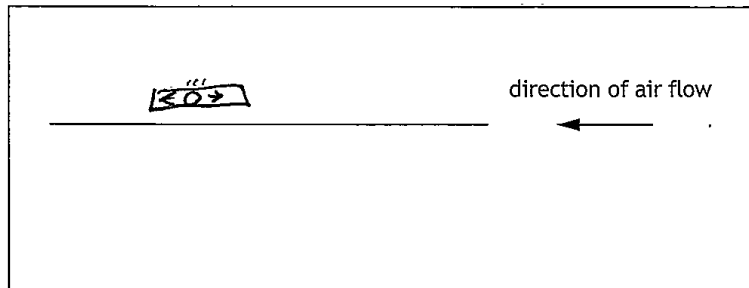
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The speed of the piston movement needs to be slowed down.

- (b) Draw the symbol for a uni-directional restrictor to slow the air flow in the direction shown.

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15. (continued)

Cylinder (A) is supplied with an air pressure of 1.4 N mm^{-2} and the piston has an outstroking force of 490 N.

(c) Calculate the area of the piston in cylinder (A).

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$$A = \frac{F}{P}$$
$$A = \frac{490}{1.4}$$
$$A = 35 \text{ mm}^2$$

An engineer compared the size of the outstroke force and the instroke force of a double-acting cylinder when supplied with the same air pressure.

The result of the test showed that there was a difference in the size of the two forces.

(d) Explain the difference in the size of these two forces.

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The outstroking force would be greater than the instroking force

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