



**THE MOMBASA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY COLLEGE**

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# **Faculty of Applied & Health Sciences**

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS & PHYSICS

**DIPLOMA IN ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY (DAC II)**

**APS 2102: PHYSICS II**

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

**SERIES: OCTOBER 2012**

**TIME ALLOWED: 2HOURS**

**Instructions to Candidates:**

You should have the following for this examination

- Answer booklet

This paper consists of FIVE questions

Answer Question ONE (Compulsory) from SECTION A and any other TWO questions from SECTION B

Maximum marks for each part of a question are clearly shown

This paper consists of THREE printed pages

### SECTION A (Compulsory)

#### Question One (30 marks)

- a) Explain capacitance and give the SI unit of measuring capacitance (2 marks)
  - b) Explain the law of conservation of charge (2 marks)
  - c) Give the mathematical equation of Coulombs law and state each component (3 marks)
  - d) State Ohms law and its mathematical equation (3 marks)
  - e) Distinguish giving examples between ohmic and non-ohmic conductors (4 marks)
  - f) Write short notes on the concept of electromagnetism (4 marks)
  - g) How is emf induced in a conductor? (3 marks)
  - h) (i) State Faraday's Law of electromagnetic induction (2 marks)  
(ii) State Lenz's law of electromagnetic induction (2 marks)
- i) A moving coil meter of resistance  $5 \Omega$  measures a maximum current of 50mA. How can it be adopted to measure a maximum current of 5A? (5 marks)

### SECTION B (Attempt any TWO questions)

#### Question Two (20 marks)

- a) Write short notes on the following giving their units of measurement and mathematical equations
  - (i) Electrical conductivity
  - (ii) Electrical resistivity
  - (iii) Electrical resistance (6 marks)
- b) A meter has a resistance of  $20 \Omega$  and give full-scale deflection when a current of 50mA passes through it. +z Calculate the value of the resistance, stating in each case how it is connected so that the meter may measure .
  - (i) Current up to 2A (4 marks)
  - (ii) Potential difference up to 100V (4 marks)
- c) A steel wire has a cross-sectional area  $25\text{cm}^3$  and the resistivity of steel is  $1.0 \times 10^{-7} \Omega \text{m}$ . Calculate the resistance of the wire per metre neglecting the effect of joints (4 marks)
- d) Define electrical resistance and give its units of measurement (2 marks)

#### Question Three (20 marks)

- a) With an aid of diagrams, explain how an electroscope can be charged positively by induction **(8 marks)**
- b) Describe with aid of a circuit diagram how you would determine the resistance of a conductor using the Metre Bridge **(7 marks)**
- c) Derive an expression for the resistance of two resistors connected in parallel **(5 marks)**

**Question Four (20 marks)**

- a) Calculate the internal resistance ( $r$ ) of a cell and electromotive force ( $E$ ) that passes a current of 1.2A through a 1.0 ohm resistor and a current of 0.4A through a 4ohm resistor. **(5 marks)**
- b) (i) Explain why convergence of the leaf on the gold leaf electroscope is not a conclusive test for the nature of charge on a body **(3 marks)**  
 (ii) State the uses of an electroscope **(3 marks)**
- c) Explain the following methods of charging **(9 marks)**
  - (i) Friction
  - (ii) Contact
  - (iii) Induction**

**Question Five (20 marks)**

- a) Give the advantages and disadvantages of digital electronics **(8 marks)**
- b) Combinational systems and sequential systems are types of digital system which are used to choose representations. Explain the **TWO** digital systems **(4 marks)**
- c) (i) Define the term semi-conductor **(2 marks)**  
 (ii) Give **TWO** examples of semi-conductor materials **(2 marks)**
- d) Discuss the principle of electromagnetic induction **(4 marks)**