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Technology

Higher Level

200 Marks

Wednesday, 17th June, Afternoon, 2:00 to 4:00

Section A

Instructions

Answer Section A (short answer questions).
 Answer either (a) or (b) from each question in Section B.
 Answer one question from Section C.
 Hand up this paper at the end of the examination along with answer sheets for Section B and C.

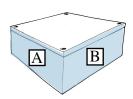
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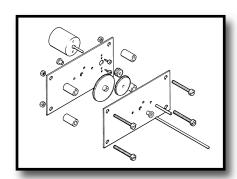
1. Shade the container shown to suggest a light source in the given position.





Face A shaded: 2 mks Face B shaded: 2 mks

2. Name the type of view shown in the sketch.



View: Exploded view /
Isometric view 4 mks

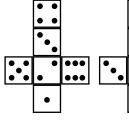
- 3. In relation to computers state the meaning of the following abbreviations:
 - (i) CPU
 - (ii) CAD.

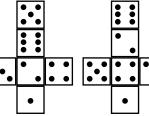


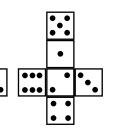
CPU: Central Processing Unit 2 mks

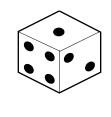
CAD: Computer Aided Design 2 mks

4. Which one of the developments A, B, C or D, will fold to make the dice shown?









A

В

C

D Ans: B

4 mks

5. State the meaning of each of the symbols shown.



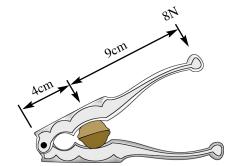


X: Wear 'Face Mask/Protection' 2 mks

Γ

Y: Wool 2 mks

6. Calculate the force applied to the nut in the nutcracker shown.



Calculation:

 $[F1 \times d1 = F2 \times d2 : Alt \ 2 \ mks]$

8N x (9+4)cm = XN x 4cm : 2mks

8 x 13 = 4X26N = X : 2 mks

Force: 26(N)

4mks

7. State **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of MDF over natural wood.



MDF



Natural wood

Advantage: No knots, Uniform, Large sheets, Cost, etc.

2 mks

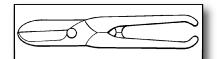
Disadvantage: No grain(features), Absorb water/expands, Dust, etc.

2 mks

8. Name the tool shown

and

name a material suitable for cutting with this tool.



Tool: Snips

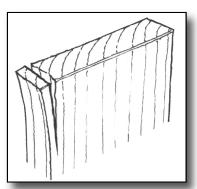
2mks

Material: Metal sheet/wire

2mks

[Plastic = 0]

9. State briefly how the end grain split can be prevented when planing wood.



Answer: Satisfactory ans. 4 mks

Sketch or describe:

Place waste wood against end of piece, plane towards centre,

with grain,

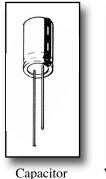
10. Indicate clearly in the table shown, if each named wood is a hardwood or a softwood.

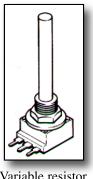


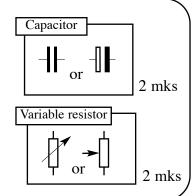
Wood	Hardwood	Softwood
Oak	Н	
Teak	Н	
Beech	Н	
Pine		S

 $4 \times 1 \text{ mk} = 4 \text{ mks}$

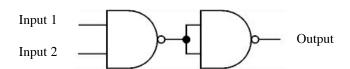
11. Sketch the electronic symbol for each component shown.







12. Complete the truth table for the NAND gate combination shown.

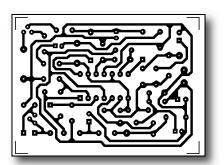


Truth Table

Input1	Input 2	Output
1	1	0
1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	1

 $4 \times 1 \text{ mk} = 4 \text{ mks}$

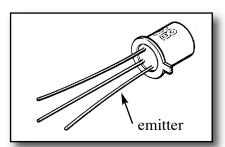
13. State **two** advantages of using a printed circuit board in a circuit.



(i): 2 x 2mks
Fast circuit construction,
less errors, cost effective,
same design in many projects, etc.

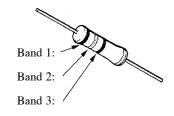
(ii):			

14. Indicate clearly how the **emitter** can be identified on the transistor shown.



Answer: *describe / show* 4 mks Leg close to tab, mark leg / indicate on sketch

15. Using the colour code table shown, state the value of resistors A and B.



Value
0
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9

	Band 1	Band 2	Band 3	Value
Resistor A	Brown	Black	Red	<u>10 00</u>
Resistor B	Orange	Orange	Brown	<u>33 0</u>

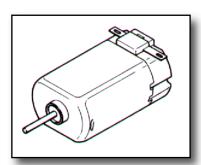
 $4 \times 1 \text{ mk} = 4 \text{ mks}$

16. Name the mechanism shown which will produce an oscillating motion in the toy caterpillar.



Mechanism: CAM (2 mks) & Follower (2 mks)

17. Name **two** energy conversions which take place when an electric current is applied to the motor shown.



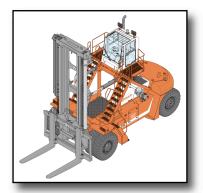
From: Electrical 1 mk

To: Kinetic 1 mk

From: Electrical 1 mk

To: Sound/Heat/Light 1 mk

18. State **two** reasons why a chain is used in preference to a belt in a forklift hoist.

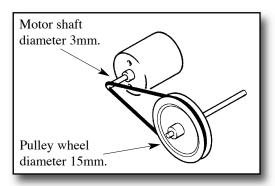


(i): 2 x 2 mks

Will not slip, stretch, break under load. Will last longer, Stronger, etc.

(ii): _			
` / _			

19. If the motor shaft turns at 90RPM calculate the speed of rotation of the pulley shaft.



Calculation:

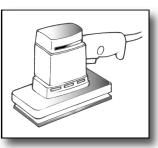
 $[D1 \ x \ S1 = D2 \ x \ S2 : Alt \ 2 \ mks]$

 $3mm \times 90RPM = XRPM \times 15mm : 2mks$

 $3 \times 90 = 15X$ 18RPM = X : 2 mks

Speed: 18 (RPM) 4 mks

20. State **two** safety precautions which must be observed when using the power tool shown.

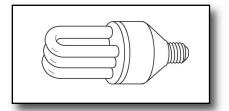


Orbital sander

(i): 2 x 2mks Wear protection (Face/Eye), No trailing cables, Do not use near water, No loose/broken parts, etc.

(ii): _			

21. State **two** reasons why older household bulbs should be replaced with the type of bulb shown.

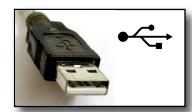


CFL bulb

(i): 2 x 2 mks Old bulbs not energy efficient, Reduce carbon footprint, New bulb cost effective, etc.

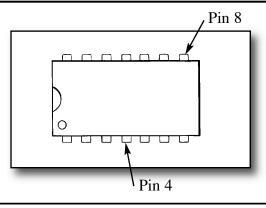
(ii):_____

22. Name **two** USB devices which can be used with a computer.



- (i): 2 x 2mks Any two USB devices : Camera, Printer, Scanner, memory stick, HD, MP3 player, etc.
- (ii): allow toys, fans, fridges, lavalamps, LEDs, etc.

23. Inicate clearly on the sketch the location of pins 4 and 8 on the chip shown.



Correct location indicated:

Pin 4: 2 mks Pin 8: 2 mks

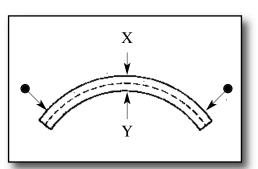
24. State **two** reasons why digital cameras are now more popular than film cameras.



(i): 2 x 2 mks Lower cost, faster to print, images can be changed, movies, delete images, edit image, etc.

(ii): _____

25. Name the forces operating at X and at Y in the bending beam shown.



X: Tension 2 mks (Stretch =1)

Y: Compression 2 mks (Push = 1)

26.	Name two technological
	developments which
	have improved computer
	laptop design.



(i): 2 x 2mks LED screen improved, Lighter, Track pads, battery size, HD size, Faster, Smaller, etc.

(ii): _____

27. Indicate clearly in the table shown, if each named fabric is **natural** or **synthetic**.



Fabric	Natural	Synthetic
Wool	N	
Nylon		S
Polyester		S
Linen	N	

 $4 \times 1 \text{ mk} = 4 \text{ mks}$

28. State **two** ways in which technology has made cars more environmentally friendly.



(i): 2 x 2 mks

Power plant - Electric/hybrid,

Breaking recharges battery,

Parts recycled, etc.

ii):			_

29. State **two** advantages in using laser scanners at supermarket checkouts.



(i): 2 x 2 mks
Efficiency - faster at checkout,
Cost effective - update price at till,
Stock control, etc.

(ii):_			

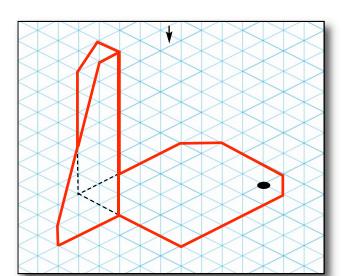
30. Explain briefly, the term **thermoplastic**.



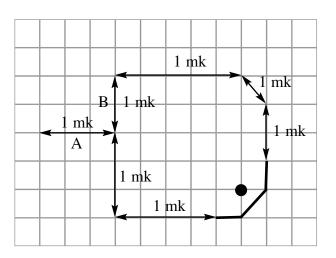
Thermoplastic: 4 mks Can be heated and reshaped, reheated.

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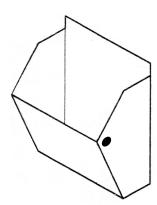
31. Complete the plan view of the part shown.



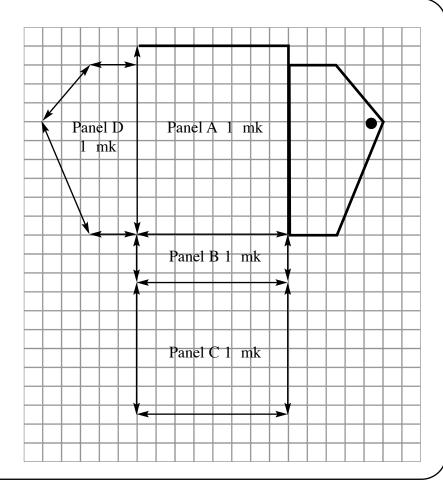
 $4 \times 1 \text{ mks } (A = 1 \text{ mk}, B = 1 \text{ mk}, \text{ any two other}$ $correct \ lines = 2 \times 1 \text{ mk})$

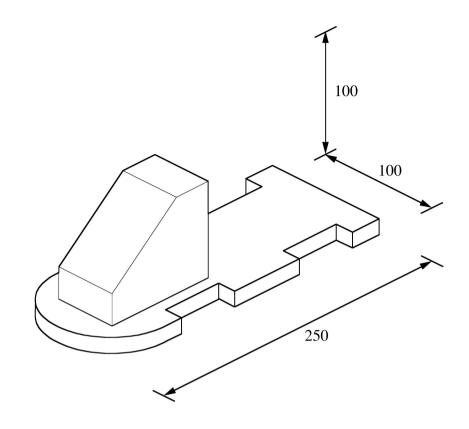


32. Complete the development of the one piece letter holder shown.

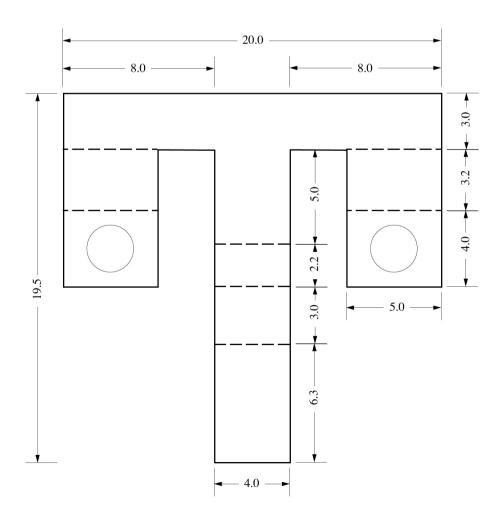


4 Panels: 4 x 1 mks





Q1b





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Section B and Section C

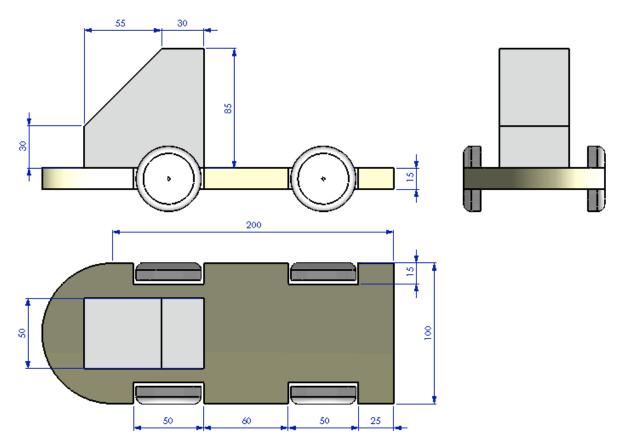
Section B - 50 Marks

Section C - 50 Marks

Instructions

- 1. Answer either (a) or (b) from each question in **Section B**.
- 2. Answer one question from **Section C**.
- 3. Hand up **Section A** with your answer sheets to this paper.

1 (a) The sketch shows a plan, elevation and end view of a student design for a child's toy.



All dimensions are in millimeters

(i) Sketch a well proportioned isometric view of the toy on isometric grid paper.

The wheels can be omitted from the sketch. Include **three** overall dimensions on your sketch.

Correct isometric view: 2 mks, three overall dimensions 3 x 1 mks, 3 panels in good proportions: 2, 2, 1 mks, [10 marks]

(ii) 1. Name the tools and describe the processes required to shape and finish the base of the toy from a sheet of named material of your choice.

Named tools: 1 + 1 mks, Correct process: 2 + 1 mks

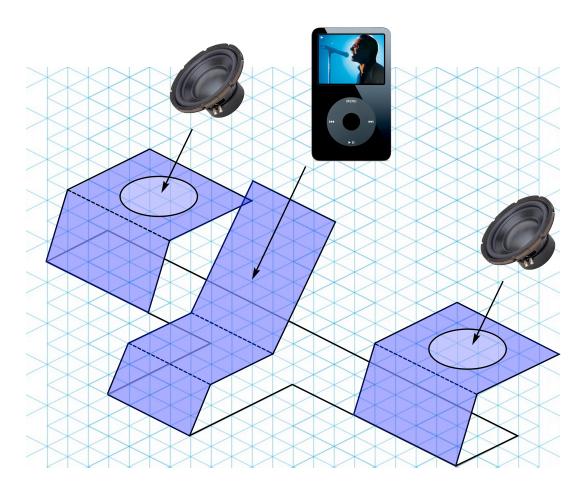
2. Name the tools and describe the processes required to attach the wheels to the base of the toy.

Named tools: 1 + 1 mks, Correct process: 2 + 1 mks [10 marks]

(iii) Sketch **two** safety features which should be included in this student design.

2 valid safety features sketched: 3 mks (1st) + 2 mks (2nd) [5 marks] (Described only - 2 mks (1st) + 1 mks (2nd))

1 (b) The sketch shows a student design of a desktop holder for an MP3 player using recycled speakers. The holder will be manufactured from a single sheet of acrylic.



 Using suitable proportions, sketch a development of the material required to manufacture the holder from a single sheet of acrylic.
 Indicate clearly all bend lines and show the cut outs for the speakers.

Correct development: 5 mks, (-1 mk for each incorrect part: max-5), Bend lines - dotted lines (-1 mk if solid): 3 mks, Cut outs: 2 x 1 mks [10 marks]

(ii) 1. Name the tools and describe the processes required to form the acrylic into the shape shown.

Named tools: 1 + 1 mks, Correct process: 2 + 1 mks

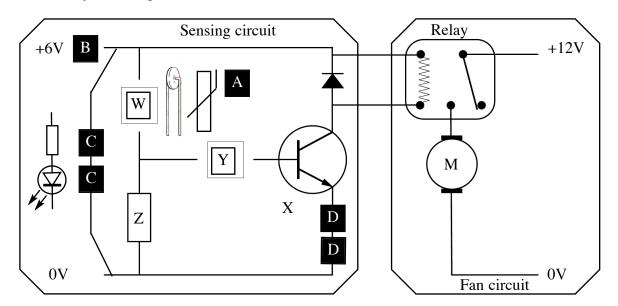
2. Name the tools and describe the processes required to produce the cut outs for the speakers in the acrylic.

Named tools: 1 + 1 mks, Correct process: 2 + 1 mks

3. Sketch a suitable modification to the design to prevent the MP3 player falling from the supporting platform.

Suitable modification: 3 mks, Quality of sketch: 2 mks (2/1) [15 marks]

2 (a) The circuit shown is designed to automatically turn on a 12V fan motor if high temperatures are detected by a sensing circuit.



(i) 1. Sketch the electronic symbol for the thermistor 'W'.

Correct symbol (shown A): 2 mks

2. Explain the function of the transistor 'X' in the circuit.

Correct function: Amplify / switch: 3 mks

3. Name the missing component required at 'Y' in the circuit.

Missing component: Resistor: 2 mks

4. Resistor 'Z' has a gold fourth band.

What information does this provide about the resistor 'Z'?

Tolerance : +/- 5% : 2 mks

5. Explain why a variable resistor is a recommended replacement for resistor 'Z'. Valid explanation: Set high temperature trigger level, etc.: 3 mks

- (ii) Copy the sensing circuit diagram above into your answer book.
 - 1. Sketch a modification to the circuit to show the symbol and the most suitable location of an on/off switch for the sensing circuit.

Valid location of on/off switch: ex. location \mathbf{B} : 2 mks Correct switch symbol: 2 mks

2. Sketch a modification to the circuit to show the symbol and location of a green LED and a series resistor which will indicate that a working 6V battery is connected to the sensing circuit.

Correct LED symbol: 2 mks,

Correct location of LED & resistor : ex. location C: 2 mks

3. Sketch a modification to the circuit to show the symbol and location of a red LED and a series resistor which will indicate that a high temperature has been detected by the sensing circuit.

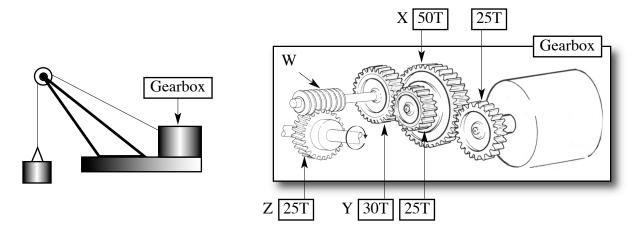
Correct location of LED & resistor : ex. location D: 2 mks

4. What is the function of the series resistor in the LED circuits?

Function of series resistor: protect LED / reduce voltage: 3 mks

[25 marks]

2 (b) The sketch shows the gearbox arrangement in a lifting crane.



(i) 1. Name the mechanism attached to the gear train at 'W'.

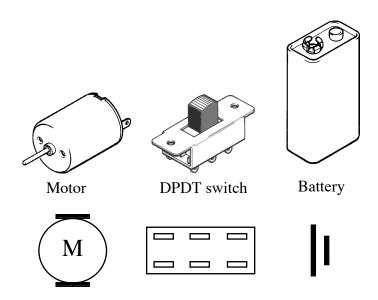
Mechanism: Worm: 5 mks

2. State **two** advantages to using mechanism 'W' in the lifting crane.

Two valid advantages: No slip/torque/ratio/lock: 2 x 3 mks

- 3. If the motor rotates at 600RPM calculate:
 - (i) the speed of rotation of gear X, $600RPM \times 25T = 50T \times 300 RPM : 300 RPM : 3 mks$
 - (ii) the speed of rotation of gear Y, $300RPM \times 25T = 30T \times 250 RPM : 250 RPM : 3 mks$
 - (iii) the speed of rotation of gear Z. $250 = 25 \times 10$ RPM : 10 RPM : 3 mk

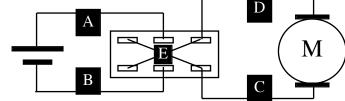
[20 marks]



(ii) Using the symbols for the motor, DPDT switch and battery, indicate how the contacts on the switch should be wired to allow the motor rotate clockwise or

anticlockwise.

5 correct connections A, B, C, D & cross over E 5 x 1 mks



Section C - 50 Marks

Answer **one** question from this section - all questions carry equal marks.

This section relates to Technology & Society, Control Systems and Design & Manufacture.

3. Technology and Society

Efficient use of energy has become a concern for home owners.

- (a) (i) Describe **one** technological advance which has improved the energy efficiency of household equipment.

 One advance named (2 mks), described (3 mks (3/2/1)):[5mks]
 ex. detergent operate at low temp / energy saving bulbs /
 - (ii) Describe two environmental concerns associated with the use of plastic components in household equipment.
 Two concerns (2 x 5mks). Concern named (2 mks) described (3 mks (3/2/1)):[10mks] ex. improper disposal / not recycled build up in environment / oil valuable resource.
 - (iii) Describe how technology can address **one** of the concerns outlined in (ii) above. **One** concern addressed (Describe 5 mks: (5/3/1)):[5mks] ex. manufacturer make plastic degradable / parts easily accessed recycled, etc.
 - (iv) As consumers we are encouraged to reduce our 'carbon footprint'.

 Explain, using suitable examples, the meaning of carbon footprint.

 Explained (3 mks (3/2/1)), examples (2 mks):[5mks]

 ex. A carbon footprint relates to the amount of greenhouse gases produced in our day-to-day lives through burning fossil fuels for: electricity, heating and transportation (pesonal & product) etc.

25 marks

Communication and entertainment products have benefited greatly from technological advances.

- (b) (i) Outline **two** advanced technologies used in these products. **Two** technologies outlined (2 x 5 mks (5/3/1)):[10mks] ex. GPS / WiFi / DVD / LCD screens, etc.
 - (ii) Many of these products have a short 'life-cycle'.

 Explain, using a suitable example, the meaning of product life-cycle.

 Explain with example (5 mks (5/3/1) :[5mks]

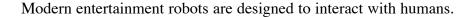
 ex. parts wear out after a short time / cannot be upgraded / new (better) models, etc.
 - (iii) Outline, giving two reasons, why many of the products are regarded as disposable.

 Outline two reasons (2 x 5 mks (5/3/1)) :[10mks]

 ex. too costly to repair / cannot be repaired because of manufacturing process, etc.

 25 marks

4. Control Systems & Technology and Society





- (a) Outline **two** ways in which data can be acquired by an entertainment robot.: [10mks] Two data input methods outlined $(2 \times 5 \text{ mks } (5/3/1)) \text{ ex. sound / touch / light etc.}$
 - (ii) Explain why the robot response to data input is limited. Explain (5 mks (5/3/1)) ex. limited processing power :[5mks]
 - (iii) Explain why **software upgrades** are made available for these robotic toys. :[5mks] Explain (5 mks (5/3/1)) ex. fix software errors / impove software / etc. 20 marks

Industrial robots require control software, a computer interface and feedback sensors.

- (b) (i) Explain the meaning of each of the terms in **bold** above. Terms explained $(3 \times 5 \text{ mks } (5/3/1))$:[15mks]
 - (ii) State **two** advantages of using CAM in mass production.

 Two adv. (3 mks + 2 mks) ex. reproducable / easily changed / speed / cost :[5mks]
 - (iii) Explain why pneumatics or hydraulics are commonly used to move industrial robotic arms instead of electric motors.

 Explain (5 mks (5/3/1)) greater force applied / easier to fit-operate/:[5mks]
 - (iv) Explain why robotic industrial production lines are more likely to be found in first world countries. Give **two** reasons for your answer. :[5mks]

 Explain 2 reasons: (3 mks + 2 mks) ex. labour cost / expertise / infrastructure.

30 marks

5. Design and Manufacture

A student is required to manufacture a wall mounted night light for a child's room based on the design shown.



- (a) Name a suitable material for the night light and give **two** reasons for your choice.

 Material (suitable) named (2 mks), two reasons (2 mks + 2 mks):[6mks]
 - (ii) Describe, with the aid of suitable sketches, the steps required to manufacture the night light from the named material.

 Describe steps (5 mks (3 + 2)) suitable sketched (5 mks (3 + 2)) :[10mks]

 Name three processes required to manufacture the night light.

 Three (suitable) processes named (3 x 3 mks):[9mks]

 25 marks
- (b) Sketch a suitable 9V circuit diagram which will light a white LED in any four of the stars on the night light.

 Correct circuit diag. (5 mks) components drawn (5 mks):[10mks]
 - (ii) Outline, with the aid of suitable sketches, a design for a novelty switch to turn the LED circuit on and off.

 Sketch design for novelty switch (5/3/1 mks):[5mks]
 - (iii) Describe, with the aid of suitable sketches, the steps you would take to ensure the night light and circuit are safe for use by a child.

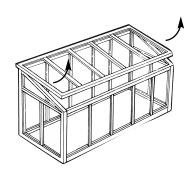
 Safety steps described: sketches (2 x 5 mks (5/3/1)):[10mks] 25 marks

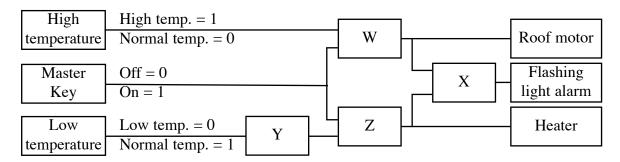
6. Control Systems

A control system is required to automatically control the temperature in a greenhouse.

The system will automatically open the roof at high temperatures and close the roof at lower temperatures. At very low temperatures the system will turn on a heater.

The system will operate only when a master switch is turned on.





- (a) (i) Identify the logic gates required at W, X, Y and Z.

 W: AND (3 mks), X: OR (3 mks), Y: NOT (3 mks), Z: AND (3 mks):[12mks]
 - (ii) Sketch and complete a truth table for logic gates X and Y. X: OR gate (4 mks 4 lines), Y: NOT gate (2 x 2mks 2 lines):[8mks]
 - (iii) Two '**limit switches**' are required in the design of the roof opening mechanism. Explain why limit switches are required. :[3mks]

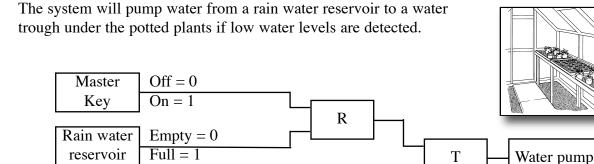
 Explain (3 mks (3/1)) stop motors / prevent damage to motor/gears/structure.
 - (iv) The control system requires a 'latched' alarm system (Flashing light) for the roof mechanism and for the heater. Explain the term latch and outline how a latch can be constructed from a named logic gate. :[7mks]

 Latch explain (3 mks) made from OR gate (2 mks) looped o/p to i/p (2 mks)

S

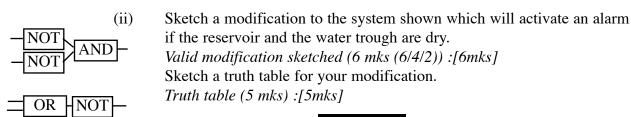
30 marks

A second system is required to automatically water potted plants in the greenhouse.



(b) (i) Identify the logic gates required at R, S and T.

R: AND (3 mks), S: NOT (3 mks), T: AND (3 mks): [9mks]



Low water level = 0

Normal water level = 1

Plant water

trough

20 marks