Name of the Student:_____
Max. Marks : 21 Marks **Time : 21 Minutes**

Q1.

(a) Initially the path difference is zero/the two waves are in phase when they meet/the (resultant) displacement is a maximum ✓

Alternative:

Constructive interference occurs when the path difference is a whole number of wavelengths and the waves are in phase

1

As the movable tube is pulled out, the path difference increases and the two waves are no longer in phase, so the displacement and loudness decrease ✓

Destructive interference occurs when the path difference is an odd number of half wavelengths and the waves are in antiphase

1

When the path difference is one half wavelength, the two are in antiphase and sound is at its quietest. ✓

Initially the path difference is zero and the sound is loud

1

As the path difference continues to increase, the two waves become more in phase and the sound gets louder again. ✓

As the pipe is pulled out the path difference gradually increases, changing the phase relationship and hence the loudness of the sound

1

(b) Use of *wavelength = speed / frequency*

The first mark is for calculating the wavelength

1

To give: 340 / 800 = 0.425 m ✓

Path difference = one half wavelength = 0.21 m ✓

The second mark is for relating the wavelength to the path difference

Path difference = 2 ($d_2 - d_1$) = 2 (distance moved by movable tube)

1

Distance moved by movable tube = 0.10 m. ✓

The final mark is for relating this to the distance moved by the tube and working out the final answer.

1

(c) Start with d1 = d2

(Alternative mark scheme involving changing frequency and measuring to first min for each one can gain equal credit)

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Measure distance moved by movable tube for each successive minima and maxima ✓

Start with d1 = d2

Measure distance moved by movable tube for first minimum.

1

Each change in distance is equal to one quarter wavelength. ✓

Distance is equal to one quarter wavelength

1

Continue until tube is at greatest distance or repeat readings for decreasing distance back to starting point. ✓

Repeat for different measured frequencies.

1

Use speed = frequency x wavelength ✓

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1

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Q2.

(a) 2.9% ✓

Allow 3%

1

(b) $\frac{1}{3.5\times10^{3}}$ seen ✓

1

0.29 mm or 2.9 x 10^{-4} m ✓ must see 2 sf **only**

1

(c) ± 0.01 mm ✓

1

(d) Clear indication that at least 10 spaces have been measured to give a spacing = 5.24 mm ✓

spacing from at least 10 spaces

Allow answer within range ±0.05

1

(e) Substitution in $d\ sin\theta = n\lambda$ ✓

The 25 spaces could appear here as n with sin θ as 0.135 / 2.5

1

d = 0.300 x 10^{-3} m so

number of lines = 3.34 x10^{3} ✓

Condone error in powers of 10 in substitution

Allow ecf from 1-4 value of spacing

1

(f) Calculates % difference (4.6%) ✓

1

and makes judgement concerning agreement ✓

Allow ecf from 1-5 value

1

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(g) care not to look directly into the laser beam ✓
OR
care to avoid possibility of reflected laser beam ✓
OR
warning signs that laser is in use outside the laboratory ✓
ANY ONE

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