

- M1.(a)** an object with an escape velocity greater than the speed of light ✓  
*Ignore references to singularity and density etc.*  
*Allow gravity so strong light cannot escape.*

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- (b) mass of black hole =  $1 \times 10^{10} \times 1.99 \times 10^{30} = 2 \times 10^{40}$  kg ✓  
*M correct for the first mark*

Use of

$$R = 2GM / c^2$$

$$= 2 \times 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 2 \times 10^{40} / (3.00 \times 10^8)^2$$

$$= 3 \times 10^{13} \text{ m } \checkmark \quad \text{allow 2.9 or 2.95 etc.}$$

*Final answer correct for the second mark.*

*Allow ce for the mass.*

*No sf penalty.*

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- (c)  $V = Hd$   
 $v \text{ (in } \text{kms}^{-1}\text{)} = 6300$   
 $D \text{ (in MPc)} = 3.3 \times 10^8 / 3.26 \times 10^6$   
 $= 101 \checkmark$   
 $H = v / d = 6300 / 101 = 62 \text{ kms}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1} \checkmark$

*Alternatively.*

$$\text{Age of universe} = 1 / H$$

$$= D / v$$

$$= 3.3 \times 10^8 \times 9.47 \times 10^{15} \checkmark / 6.3 \times 10^6 \checkmark$$

$$= 5.0 \times 10^{17} \text{ s } \checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{age of Universe} &= 1 / H \\ &= 1 / 62 \\ &= 1.6 \times 10^{-2} \text{ Mpc s km}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 1.6 \times 10^{-2} \times 3.1 \times 10^{16} \times 10^6 / 10^3$$

$$= 5.0 \times 10^{17} \text{ s } \checkmark$$

*The first mark is for calculating D, the second for substituting correctly to find H*

*The third is for determining 1 / H in seconds.*

*If other value of H used, 1 mark max.*

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M2.(a) An object that produces a rapid increase in brightness ✓  
*Allow lowering in value of absolute magnitude* 1

(b) Extremely dense ✓  
*Ignore descriptions of Neutron star surface* 1

Made up of neutrons ✓  
*Ignore refs to spinning or producing radio waves* 1

(c) Use of  $R_s = 2GM / c^2$   
To give  
 $R_s = 2 \times 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 2 \times 2 \times 10^{30} / (3 \times 10^8)^2$  ✓  
*First mark is for substitution* 1

$= 5.9 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$  ✓  
*Second mark for answer* 1

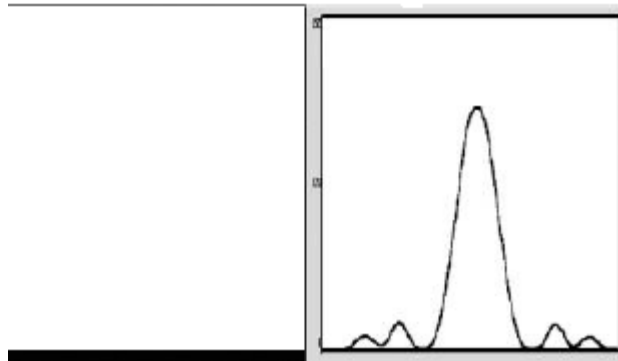
(d) Collapsing star can produce gamma ray bursts with energy similar to total output of Sun ✓  
*First mark is for gamma ray burst and an idea of the amount of energy* 1

Highly collimated – if in direction of Earth, could cause mass extinction event ✓  
*Second mark is for consequence.* 1

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- M3.(a)** (i) central maximum at least twice the height of adjacent maxima ✓  
*Allow graph to be above angle axis*

Subsequent narrower maxima ✓



*Any further maxima should not get bigger.*

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- (ii) Two sources will be ( just) resolved if the central maximum of the diffraction pattern of one coincides ✓

*Central max and first min may be labelled on diagram in ai*

with the first minimum of the other. ✓

*If they use the term 1<sup>st</sup> maximum it must be clear that it is the central maximum*

*Second mark is for correct part of the second diffraction pattern.*

*Clearly labelled diagram can get both marks.*

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- (b) Use of  $R_s = 2GM/c^2$

*Allow ce for **one** from:*

*missing out million; missing out mass of Sun; square in equation, but no square of speed of light in calculation*

to give  $R_s = 2 \times 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 4.1 \times 10^6 \times 2 \times 10^{30} / (3 \times 10^8)^2$  ✓  
 $= 1.2 \times 10^{10} \text{m}$  ✓

2sf ✓

*Sf mark stands alone but must be a number (not just stated 2 sf)*

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- (c) (i) use of  $\theta = \lambda/D$   
*The first mark is for calculating the wavelength*  
 to give  $\theta = (3 \times 10^8 / 230 \times 10^9) \checkmark / 5000 \times 10^3$   
 $= 2.6 \times 10^{-10}$  (rad)  $\checkmark$   
*The second mark is for the use of the equation to give the final answer*  
*Allow c.e. for an a.e. in the first mark.*  
*If frequency used treat as p.e. – no marks*

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- (ii) use of  $s = r\theta$   
*First mark is for the angle subtended ( $5.12 \times 10^{-11}$ )*  
 to give  $\theta = 5 \times 1.2 \times 10^{10} / (25\,000 \times 9.46 \times 10^{15}) \checkmark$   
 $= 2.5 \times 10^{-10}$  (rad)  $\checkmark$   
*Second mark is for showing that this is 5 × answer to c(i).*

which is (approximately) the answer to ci

*Alternatives:*

*Calculate size of object that could just be resolved at this distance, and showing that this is 5 × radius of black hole.*

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- M4.** (a) (i) increase in wavelength (of em radiation) due to relative recessive velocity between observer and source  $\checkmark$

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- (ii) use of  $v = Hd$   
 to give  $v = 65 \times 25 \checkmark$   
 $= 1.6 \times 10^3$  (km s<sup>-1</sup>)  $\checkmark$

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- (b) (i) all type 1a supernovae have same **peak** absolute magnitude  $\checkmark$   
 apparent magnitude can be measured  $\checkmark$   
 ref to  $m-M \log (d/10)$  or inverse square law  $\checkmark$

max 2

(ii) use of  $m-M = 5 \log (d/10)$

gives  $12.9 - (-19.3) = 5 \log (d/10)$  ✓

$\log (d/10) = 6.44$

$d = 27.5$  (Mpc) ✓

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(c) to make the accepted value for the distance more reliable ✓

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