Comps II Score Sheet
Department of Physics • University of Colorado at Boulder

Name of Student ____________________________________________ Date __________
Examiner Name _____________________________________________
Committee Chair ____________________________________________

PAPER Score out of 3 ______
The Comps II paper is a formal, 10–12 page, typeset (12pt, double spaced), publication-ready
document, complete with title, abstract, figures, reference, etc. Students at this point are not
expected to conduct original research. The Comps II paper is a summary of the student’s
understanding of a broad research topic, its history, importance, ongoing efforts, outstanding
issues, directions, etc. The appropriate level of the paper is that of a summary article in Physics
Today or the American Journal of Physics.
Comments:

PRESENTATION Score out of 3 ______
The Comps II presentation is a 20-minute, formal presentation, summarizing the Comps II paper.
Students are expected to use an overhead projector and/or computer projector and comply with the
time limit. Students should prepare their presentation in the spirit of a talk at a scientific meeting.
The examining committee will give a three-minute warning and strictly enforce the time limit.
During the presentation only short clarifying questions should be allowed.
Comments:

ORAL EXAMINATION Score out of 4 ______
Following the presentation, the examining committee will ask questions related to the subject of
the presentation, as well as general physics questions, including “quickies.” This part of the
examination is expected to last approximately 60 minutes.
Comments:

Please return completed score sheets to the examining committee chair.
Committee Chairs, please return completed score sheets to the graduate desk. Total out of 10 ______
Comps II Score Sheet
Department of Physics • University of Colorado at Boulder

Name of Student ___________________________________________ Date ________________

Examiner Name ____________________________________________

Committee Chair ___________________________________________

PAPER Score out of 3 __________
The Comps II paper is a formal, 10–12 page, typeset (12pt, double spaced), publication-ready
document, complete with title, abstract, figures, reference, etc. Students at this point are not
expected to conduct original research. The Comps II paper is a summary of the student’s
understanding of a broad research topic, its history, importance, ongoing efforts, outstanding
issues, directions, etc. The appropriate level of the paper is that of a summary article in Physics
Today or the American Journal of Physics.
Comments:

PRESENTATION Score out of 3 __________
The Comps II presentation is a 20-minute, formal presentation, summarizing the Comps II paper.
Students are expected to use an overhead projector and/or computer projector and comply with the
time limit. Students should prepare their presentation in the spirit of a talk at a scientific meeting.
The examining committee will give a three-minute warning and strictly enforce the time limit.
During the presentation only short clarifying questions should be allowed.
Comments:

ORAL EXAMINATION Score out of 4 __________
Following the presentation, the examining committee will ask questions related to the subject of
the presentation, as well as general physics questions, including “quickies.” This part of the
examination is expected to last approximately 60 minutes.
Comments:

Please return completed score sheets to the examining committee chair.
Committee Chairs, please return completed score sheets to the graduate desk. Total out of 10 ________
Comps II Score Sheet
Department of Physics • University of Colorado at Boulder

Name of Student _________________________________________________________ Date
Examiner Name __________________________________________________________
Committee Chair ________________________________________________________

**PAPER**
Score out of 3 _______

The Comps II paper is a formal, 10–12 page, typeset (12pt, double spaced), publication-ready document, complete with title, abstract, figures, reference, etc. Students at this point are not expected to conduct original research. The Comps II paper is a summary of the student’s understanding of a broad research topic, its history, importance, ongoing efforts, outstanding issues, directions, etc. The appropriate level of the paper is that of a summary article in *Physics Today* or the *American Journal of Physics*.

Comments:

**PRESENTATION**
Score out of 3 _______

The Comps II presentation is a 20-minute, formal presentation, summarizing the Comps II paper. Students are expected to use an overhead projector and/or computer projector and comply with the time limit. Students should prepare their presentation in the spirit of a talk at a scientific meeting. The examining committee will give a three-minute warning and strictly enforce the time limit. During the presentation only short clarifying questions should be allowed.

Comments:

**ORAL EXAMINATION**
Score out of 4 _______

Following the presentation, the examining committee will ask questions related to the subject of the presentation, as well as general physics questions, including “quickies.” This part of the examination is expected to last approximately 60 minutes.

Comments:

Please return completed score sheets to the examining committee chair.
Committee Chairs, please return completed score sheets to the graduate desk. Total out of 10 _______