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PHYSICS

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Paper 5 Practical Test

October/November 2023

1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: The materials and apparatus listed in the confidential instructions

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.
- You should show all your working and use appropriate units.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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1 In this experiment, you will investigate the period of a pendulum.

Complete the following instructions, referring to Fig. 1.1 and Fig. 1.2.

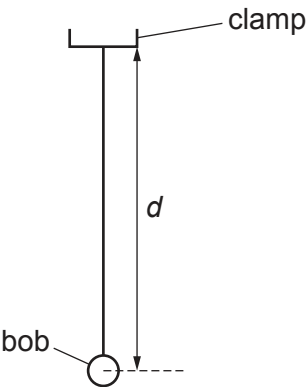


Fig. 1.1

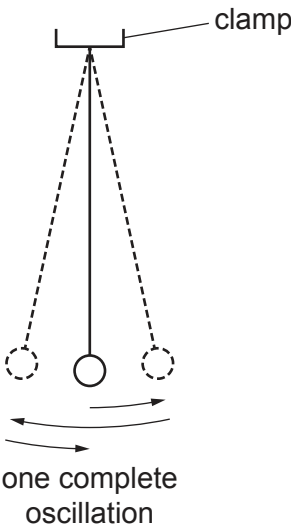


Fig. 1.2

A pendulum has been set up for you as shown in Fig. 1.1.

- (a) The distance  $d$  is measured from the bottom of the clamp to the centre of the bob.
- Adjust the length of the pendulum until  $d = 50.0\text{ cm}$ .
  - Displace the bob slightly and release it so that it swings. Fig. 1.2 shows one complete oscillation of the pendulum.
  - Measure, and record in Table 1.1, the time  $t$  for 10 complete oscillations.
  - Calculate, and record in Table 1.1, the period  $T$  of the pendulum. The period is the time for one complete oscillation.
  - Calculate  $T^2$  and record the value in Table 1.1.
  - Write the unit for  $T^2$  in the column heading.

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Table 1.1

| $d/\text{cm}$ | $t/\text{s}$ | $T/\text{s}$ | $T^2/$ |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| 50.0          |              |              |        |
| 100.0         |              |              |        |

- (b) Repeat the procedure in (a) using  $d = 100.0\text{ cm}$ .

[3]

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- (c) A student suggests that  $T^2$  is directly proportional to  $d$ .

Explain briefly how to test the suggestion using the results in Table 1.1.

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- (d) Describe how you measure the distance  $d$  as accurately as possible. Draw a diagram to help your explanation.

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- (e) Explain why timing 10 oscillations gives a more accurate result for the period  $T$  than timing one oscillation.

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- 2 In this experiment, you will investigate the resistance of a wire.

Complete the following instructions, referring to Fig. 2.1.

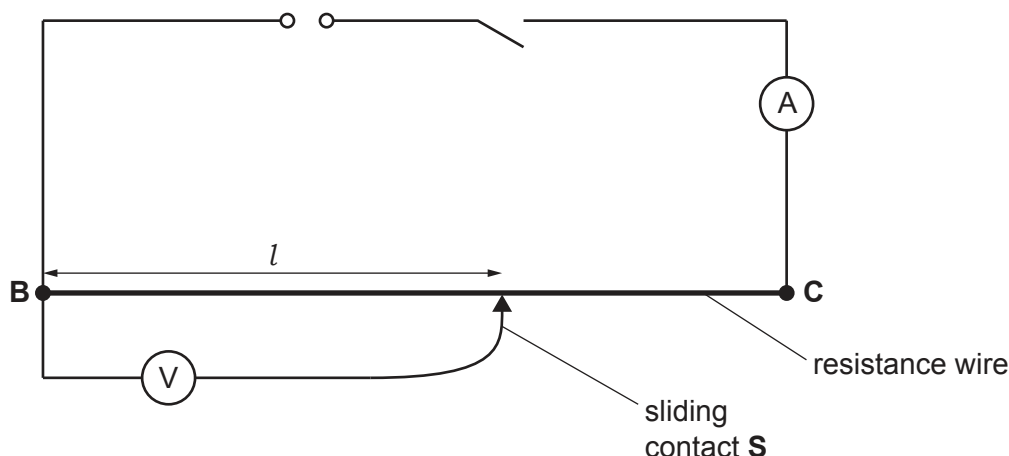


Fig. 2.1

- (a) Close the switch.

Measure the current  $I$  in the circuit.

$I = \dots\dots\dots$  [1]

- (b) Place the sliding contact at a distance  $l = 10.0\text{ cm}$  from **B**.

Measure, and record in Table 2.1, the potential difference (p.d.)  $V$  across the length  $l$  of resistance wire **BC**.

Open the switch.

Calculate, and record in Table 2.1, the resistance  $R$  of  $10.0\text{ cm}$  of the resistance wire using the equation

$$R = \frac{V}{I}$$

where  $I$  is the current recorded in (a).

Close the switch.

Repeat the procedure using  $l = 20.0\text{ cm}$ ,  $30.0\text{ cm}$ ,  $40.0\text{ cm}$  and  $50.0\text{ cm}$ .

Open the switch.

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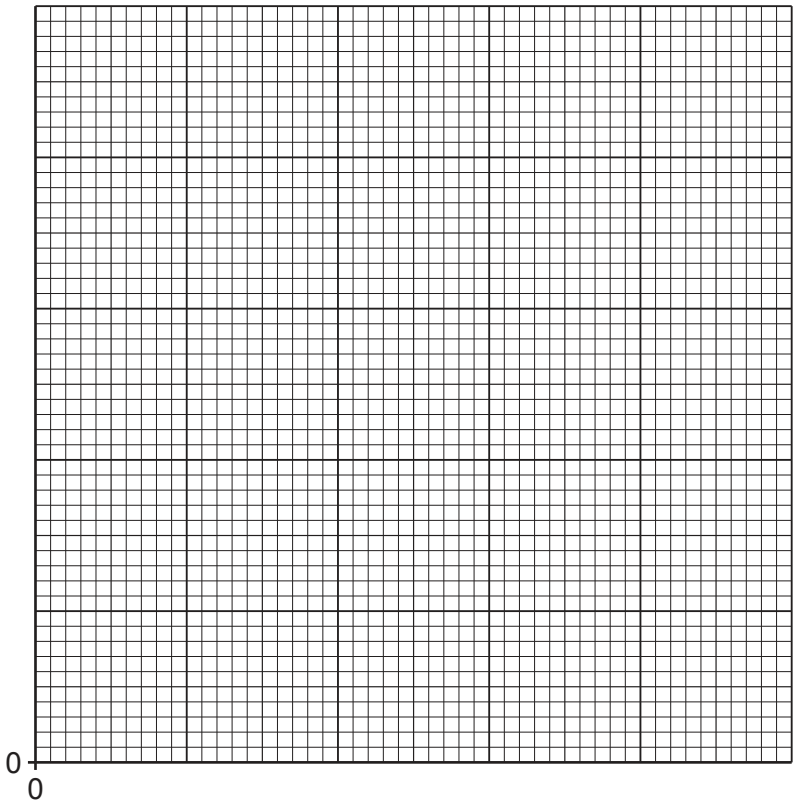
Table 2.1

| $l/\text{cm}$ | $V/\text{V}$ | $R/\Omega$ |
|---------------|--------------|------------|
| 10.0          |              |            |
| 20.0          |              |            |
| 30.0          |              |            |
| 40.0          |              |            |
| 50.0          |              |            |

[4]

(c) Plot a graph of  $R/\Omega$  ( $y$ -axis) against  $V/\text{V}$  ( $x$ -axis). Start both axes at the origin (0,0).

Draw the best-fit line.



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(d) Determine the gradient  $G$  of the graph. Show clearly on the graph how you obtained the necessary information.

$G = \dots\dots\dots$  [2]

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3 In this experiment, you will investigate the cooling of hot water.

Complete the following instructions, referring to Fig. 3.1.

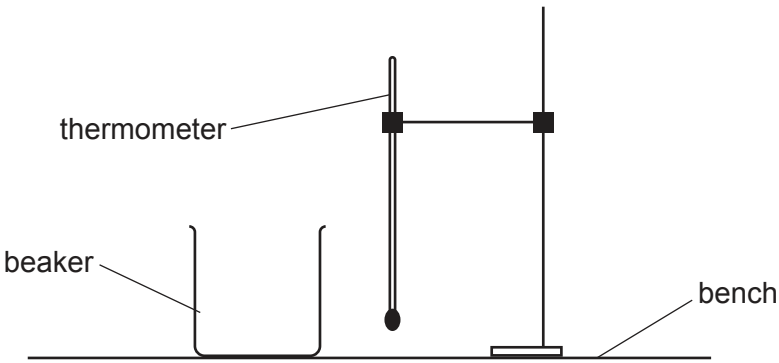


Fig. 3.1

(a) Use the thermometer to measure the room temperature  $\theta_R$ .

$\theta_R = \dots\dots\dots$  [1]

(b) (i) Pour  $200\text{cm}^3$  of hot water into the beaker. Place the thermometer in the water in the beaker.

Record in Table 3.1 the temperature  $\theta$  of the hot water at time  $t = 0$ . Immediately start the stop-watch.

Continue recording the temperature and the time in Table 3.1 at 30s intervals until you have seven sets of readings. [2]

(ii) Complete the column headings in Table 3.1.

Table 3.1

| $t/$ | $\theta/$ |
|------|-----------|
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|      |           |
|      |           |
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- (c) (i) Calculate the decrease in temperature  $\Delta\theta_1$  between time  $t = 0$  and time  $t = 90$  s.

$$\Delta\theta_1 = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

- (ii) Calculate the difference in temperature  $\Delta\theta_S$  between the temperature at time  $t = 0$  and room temperature  $\theta_R$ .

$$\Delta\theta_S = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

- (iii) Calculate the decrease in temperature  $\Delta\theta_2$  between time  $t = 90$  s and time  $t = 180$  s.

$$\Delta\theta_2 = \dots\dots\dots$$

Calculate the difference in temperature  $\Delta\theta_T$  between the temperature at time  $t = 90$  s and room temperature  $\theta_R$ .

$$\Delta\theta_T = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

- (d) A student suggests that the decrease in temperature of the water in 90 s should be greater when the starting temperature is greater.

- (i) State whether your results agree with this suggestion. Justify your statement by reference to your results.

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- (ii) Suggest how you would continue the experiment, using the same apparatus and method, to investigate the suggestion.

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[Total: 11]

- 4 A student investigates the effect of changing the colour of light on the focal length of a lens.

The focal length  $f$  of a lens is given by the equation  $f = \frac{uv}{(u + v)}$ .

The distance  $u$  is the distance between an object and the lens. The distance  $v$  is the distance between the lens and the image that is formed on a screen.

Plan an experiment to investigate the effect of changing the colour of light on the focal length of a lens.

You are **not** required to do this experiment.

The following apparatus is available to the student:

- illuminated object
- a selection of coloured filters to change the colour of the light
- converging lens
- screen
- metre ruler.

Other apparatus normally available in a school laboratory can also be used.

In your plan, you should:

- draw a labelled diagram to show the arrangement of the apparatus
- explain briefly how you would do the investigation, including the measurements you would take
- draw a suitable table, with column headings, to show how you would display your readings (you are **not** required to enter any readings in the table)
- state how you would use your results to reach a conclusion.



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