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PHYSICS

PAPER 3

JULY 2015

TIME: 2 ½ HOURS

Physics Practical

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

- Answer **ALL** the questions in the spaces provided in the question paper.
- You are supposed to spend the first 15 minutes of the 2½ hours allowed for this paper reading the whole paper carefully before commencing your work.
- Marks are given for a clear record of the observations actually made, their suitability, accuracy and the use made of them.
- Candidates are advised to record their observations as soon as they are made.
- Mathematical table and electronic calculators may be used.

This paper consists 8 printed pages.

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Question 1	a (ii)	a (iii)	a (iv)	a (v)	a (vi)	b (i)	b (ii)	b (iii)	b (iv)
Maximum Score	4	1	5	3	1	1	2	1	2
Candidate's score									

Total

Question 2	a (i)	a (ii)	b	c	d	f	g	h	i	j
Maximum Score	½	1	1	1	2	5	5	2	½	2
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Grand Total

Question 1

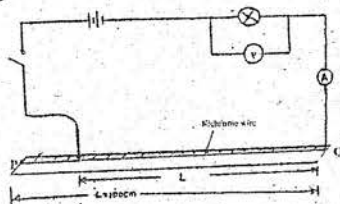
You are provided with the following apparatus:

- Two dry cells and a cell holder
- A bulb (2.5V)
- A voltmeter (0 – 3V or 0 – 5V)
- An ammeter (0 – 2.5A)
- A mounted nichrome wire on millimeter scale
- A switch
- Seven connecting wires at least two with crocodiles clips
- A micrometer screw gauge

Proceed as follows

- a) i) Set up the circuit as shown in figure 1 below

Figure 1



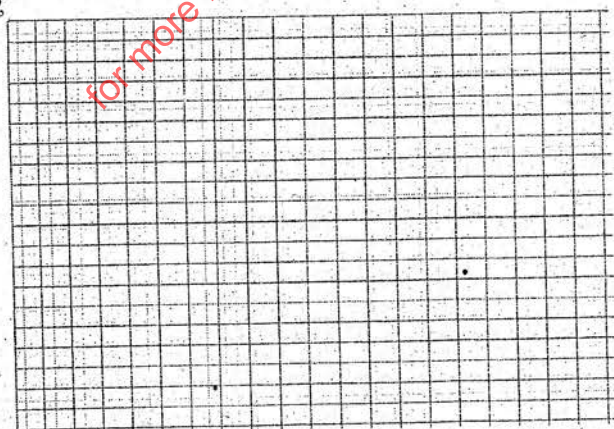
- ii) With the crocodile clip at P take the voltmeter reading, V , and the ammeter reading, I . Record V and I . Repeat the reading for $L = 80, 60, 40, 20$ and 0 cm respectively. Complete the table 1 below

TABLE 1

Length L (cm)	100	80	60	40	20	0
Voltage V (V)						
Current I (A)						

(4 mks)

- iii) What changes do you observe on the bulb as L decreases from P? (1 mk)
- iv) On the grid provided below, plot a graph of the ammeter reading (y-axis) against voltmeter reading (5 mks)



- v) Determine the slope of your graph at $V = 1$ volt (3 mks)

- vi) What physical quantity is represented by the slope of the graph at any given point? (1 mk)

- b) i) Given the apparatus in (a) (i) above, draw a diagram of the circuit you would use to determine the current through the resistance wire and the potential difference across it. (1 mk)

- ii) Set up the circuit you have drawn. Record the ammeter reading, I and the voltmeter reading V , when $L = 100\text{cm}$

$$V = \frac{\text{V}}{\text{A}} \quad (2 \text{ mks})$$

- iii) Using a micrometer screw gauge, measure the diameter, d of the wire.

$$d = \text{m} \quad (1 \text{ mk})$$

- iv) Calculate the quantity, $p = 0.785 \left(\frac{V}{I}\right) \left(\frac{d^2}{L}\right)$ where L is one metre (2 mks)

Question 2

This question has two parts A and B. Answer both parts

PART A

You are provided with the following apparatus

- A clean boiling tube
- Some sand in a container
- Half metre rule
- Vernier calipers (to be shared)
- 200ml beaker with clean water
- Top pan balance
- Tissue to wipe off water

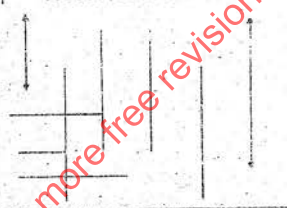
Proceed as follows:

- a) i) Measure and record the external diameter, d , of the boiling tube $(\frac{1}{2} \text{ mk})$

$$d = \text{cm}$$

- ii) Measure and record the length, L_1 , of the tube, from the concave base to the edge of the tube (figure 2) (1 mk)

$$L_1 = \text{cm}$$



- b) Holding the boiling tube upright, place it in water in the 200ml beaker. Add some sand, a little at a time until the tube floats freely upright in water. Measure and record the length L_2 of the tube above the water level, as shown in figure 2 (2 mks)

$$L_2 = \text{cm}$$

- c) Remove the tube from the beaker and carefully wipe off the water from the outside of the tube. Measure and record the mass, m , of the tube with its contents (1 mk)

$$m = \text{g}$$

- d) Given that $p = \frac{4m}{\pi d^2 (L_1 - L_2)}$ find the value of p , the density of water. Express your answer in kgm^{-3} (2 mks)

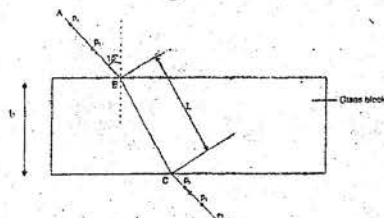
PART B

You are provided with the following apparatus

- A soft board
- 6 office pins
- A rectangular glass block
- Plain white paper

Proceed as follows:

- Fix a white sheet of paper on the soft board using the thumb pins
- Place the glass block, the largest face down, on the paper. Trace the outline of the glass block as shown in Figure 3



- Remove the glass block and construct a normal line at B. Construct an incident ray AB of an angle of incidence = 15° . Stick two pins P_1 and P_2 on the line AB
- View the pins P_1 and P_2 through the glass block. Stick two other pins P_3 and P_4 on the other side of the block so that they appear to be in line with the images of object pins P_1 and P_2 in the slab as shown on the diagram
- Remove the glass block and draw the path of the ray ABCD. Measure the length, L (in mm), of the refracted ray BC
- Repeat for other values of the angles incident. Enter your results in the table 2 below

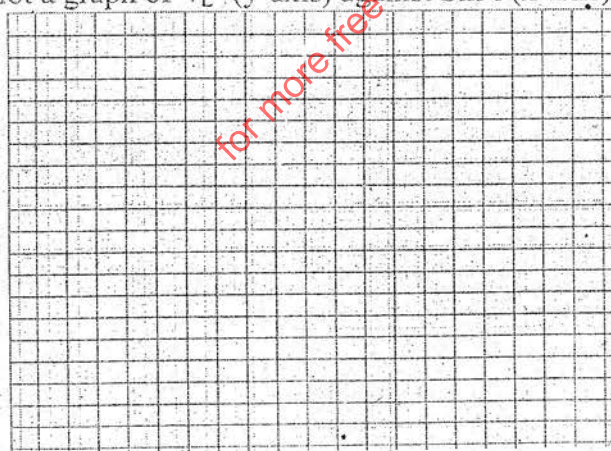
TABLE 2

i	L (mm)	L^2 (mm ²)	$1/L^2$ (mm ⁻²)	$\sin^2 i$
15°				
25°				
35°				
45°				
55°				

(5 mks)

- Plot a graph of $1/L^2$ (y-axis) against $\sin^2 i$ (x-axis)

(5 mks)



- Determine the slope of the graph (2 mks)
- Measure and record the breadth, b , (in mm) of the uppermost face of the block (1/2 mk)

$$b = \dots \text{mm}$$

$$\frac{1}{L^2} = \frac{1}{b^2} - \frac{1}{n^2 b^2} \sin^2 i$$

- Given that, use the graph to find the value for n , the refractive index of the material of the glass block (2 mks)