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PHYSICS

Paper 3

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Class: Candidate's Signature: Date: 7/4/2023.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name and index number in the spaces provided above.
- Sign and write the date of examination in the spaces provided.
- 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.
- Non-programmable silent electronic calculators and KNEC Mathematical tables may be used except where stated otherwise.

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QUESTION 1

	e	j	k	l	m	n	TOTAL
Maximum Score	7	5	3	3	1		20
Candidate's Score							

QUESTION 2

	a	b	d	f	g	h	i	j	TOTAL
Maximum score	2	1	1	6	1	4	2	3	20
Candidate's score									

TOTAL SCORE

QUESTION 1

You are provided with the following: -

- 2 new size D dry cells
- A cell holder
- A switch
- An ammeter
- Five connecting wires
- Wire mounted on the metre rule labelled X
- A micrometer screw gauge (to be shared)
- A Voltmeter

Proceed as follows

(a) Measure the diameter of the wire three times and determine the average diameter,

d 0.30 ± 0.04 mm (1 mark)

d $\frac{0.30}{1000} \sqrt{2} = 3.0 \times 10^{-4} \sqrt{2}$ m (1 mark)

(b) Determine the cross-section area of the wire

A $\frac{22}{7} \times (1.5 \times 10^{-4})^2 \sqrt{2} = 7.071 \times 10^{-8} \sqrt{2}$ m² (1 mark)

(c) Connect the circuit as shown in the figure 1 below.

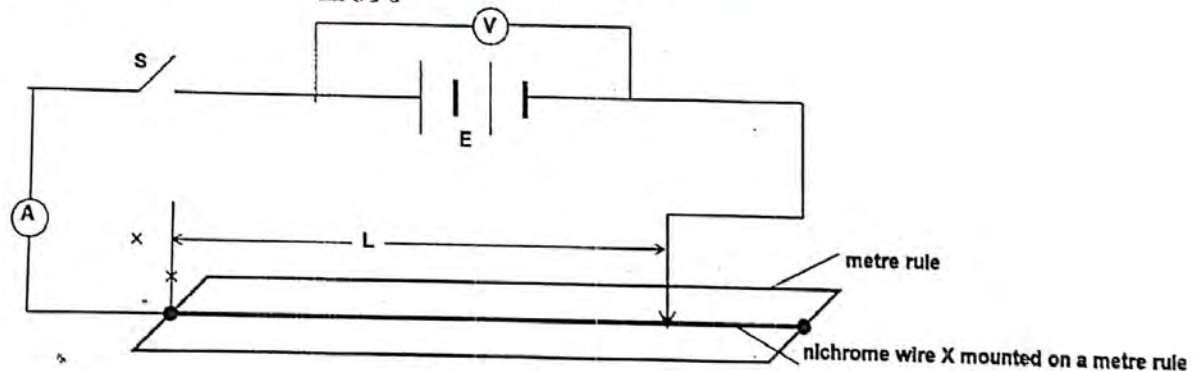


Figure 1

(d) Measure the voltage E from the Voltmeter, before closing the switch.

$E =$ 3.0 ± 0.2 V (1 mark)

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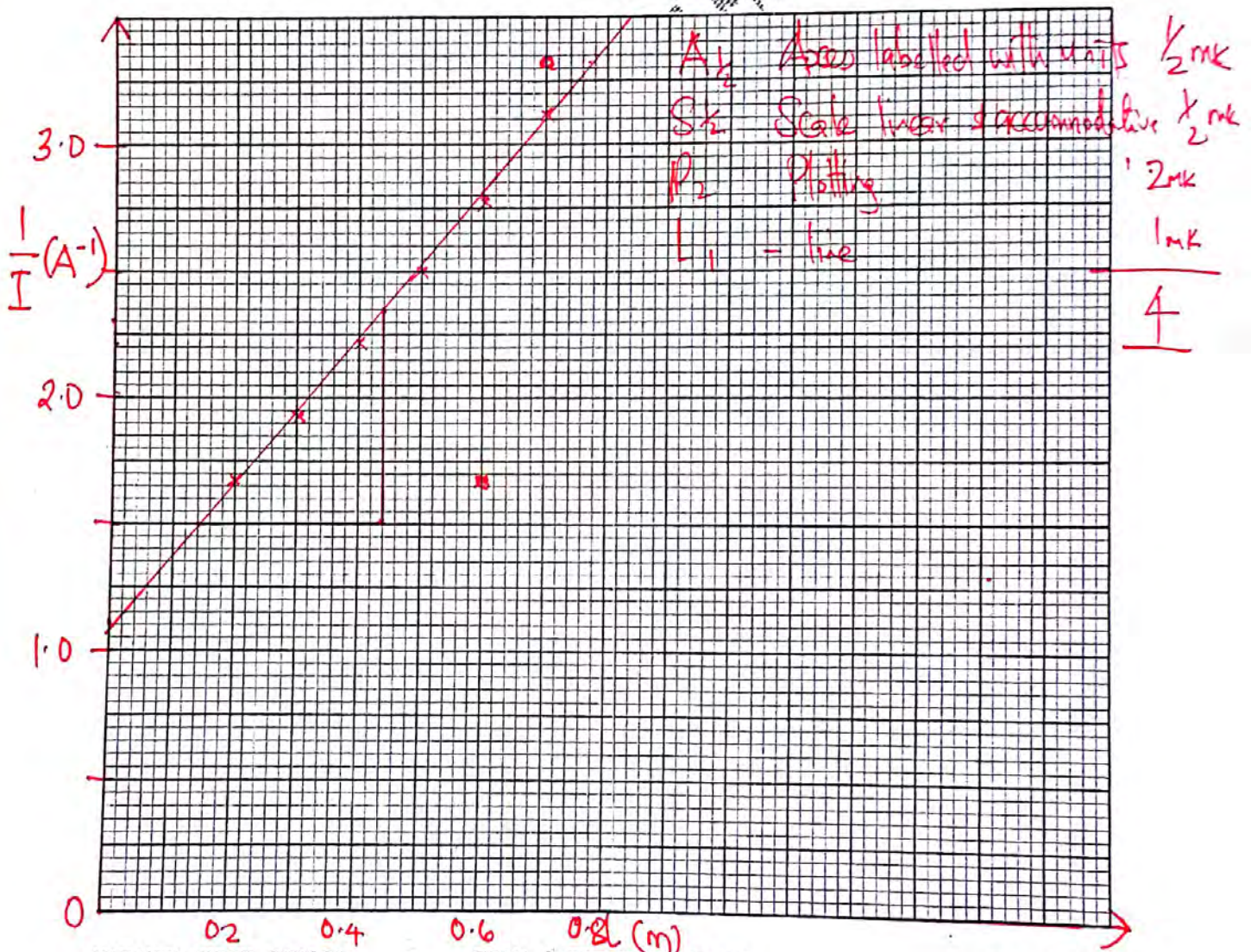
- (e) Adjust the length, l of the wire to 0.20m, close the switch, S and read the value of current and record in the table 1 below.

Table 1

Length, l (m)	0.20	0.30	0.40	0.50	0.60	0.70
Current, I (A) 2d.p ± 0.02	0.60	0.52	0.44	0.40	0.36	0.32
$\frac{1}{I}$ (A^{-1})	1.667	1.923	2.273	2.500	2.778	3.125

Each mark max 5
✓ all 1 mark 4 sf

- (f) Repeat the procedure in (e) above for the values of lengths given. (6 marks)
- (g) Calculate the value of $\frac{1}{I}$ and record in the table above. (1 mark)
- (h) On the grid provided plot a graph of $\frac{1}{I}$ (y -axis) against $l(m)$ (4 marks)



(i) Determine the gradient of the graph.

(2 marks)

$$\text{gradient} = \frac{\Delta \frac{1}{I} (\text{A}^{-1})}{\Delta L (\text{m})} = \frac{(2.35 - 1.5) \text{A}^{-1}}{(0.44 - 0.14) \text{m}} \quad \checkmark_2$$

$$= 2.833 \text{A}^{-1} \text{m}^{-1} \quad \checkmark_2$$

$$\text{OR } 2.833 (\text{A m})^{-1} \quad \checkmark_1 \text{ with units}$$

\checkmark_2 without units or wrong units

(j) Given that the equation $\frac{1}{I} = \frac{\rho}{EA}l + \frac{r}{E}$ holds for the graph, determine the value of ρ and r

(3 marks)

$$\frac{\rho}{EA} = \text{gradient} \quad \checkmark_2$$

$$\frac{\rho}{3.0\text{V} \times 7.071 \times 10^{-8} \text{m}^2} = 2.833 (\text{A m})^{-1} \quad \checkmark_2 \text{ (substitution)}$$

$$\rho = 2.833 \text{A}^{-1} \text{m}^{-1} \times 3.0\text{V} \times 7.071 \times 10^{-8} \text{m}^2$$

$$\rho = 6.00964 \times 10^{-7} \Omega \text{m} \quad \checkmark_2 \text{ (accuracy)}$$

$$\frac{r}{E} = \text{y-intercept} \quad \checkmark_2 \text{ (equation)}$$

$$\frac{r}{3.0\text{V}} = 1.1 \text{A}^{-1} \quad \checkmark_2 \text{ (substitution)}$$

$$r = 3.3 \Omega \quad \checkmark_2 \text{ (accuracy)}$$

Use student's values.

QUESTION 2

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PART A

You are provided with the following:

- A lens and a lens holder.
- A screen with cross wires
- A candle
- A metre rule.

Proceed as follows:

- a) Arrange the lightened candle, the lens and the screen as shown in figure 2. Adjust the position of the screen until a sharp inverted image of the candle is formed on the screen.

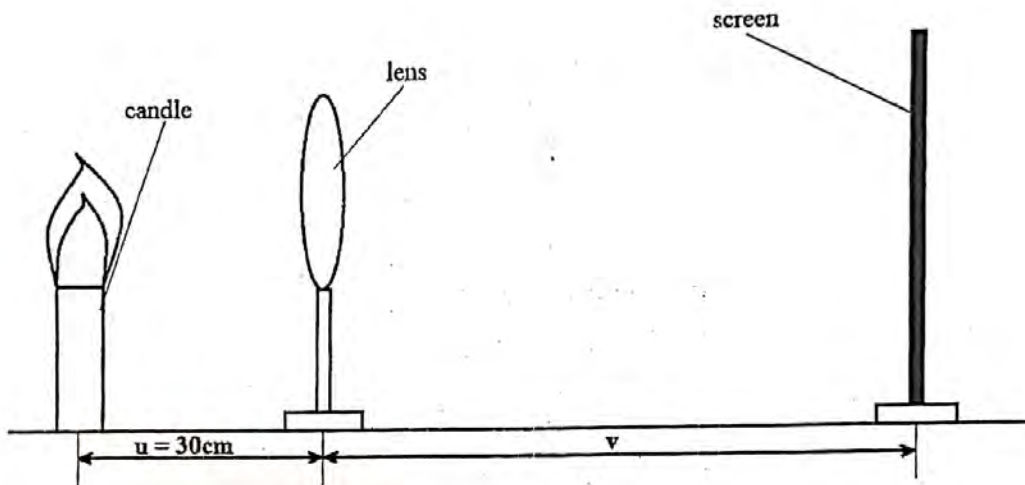


Figure 2

- i) Measure the image distance v

15.0 ± 2.0 cm ✓ 1 d.p. a must

(1 mark)

Determine the focal length of the lens using the formula $f = \frac{uv}{u+v}$

(2 marks)

$\frac{30 \times 15.0}{30 + 15.0}$ ✓

1.0 cm ✓

1.0 cm ✓

- b) Now arrange the lighted candle, the screen with cross wires and the lens as shown in figure 3. Ensure that the centre of the lens, the cross-wires, and the candle flame lie on the same horizontal line. The candle flames should be placed close to the cross-wires for better illumination.

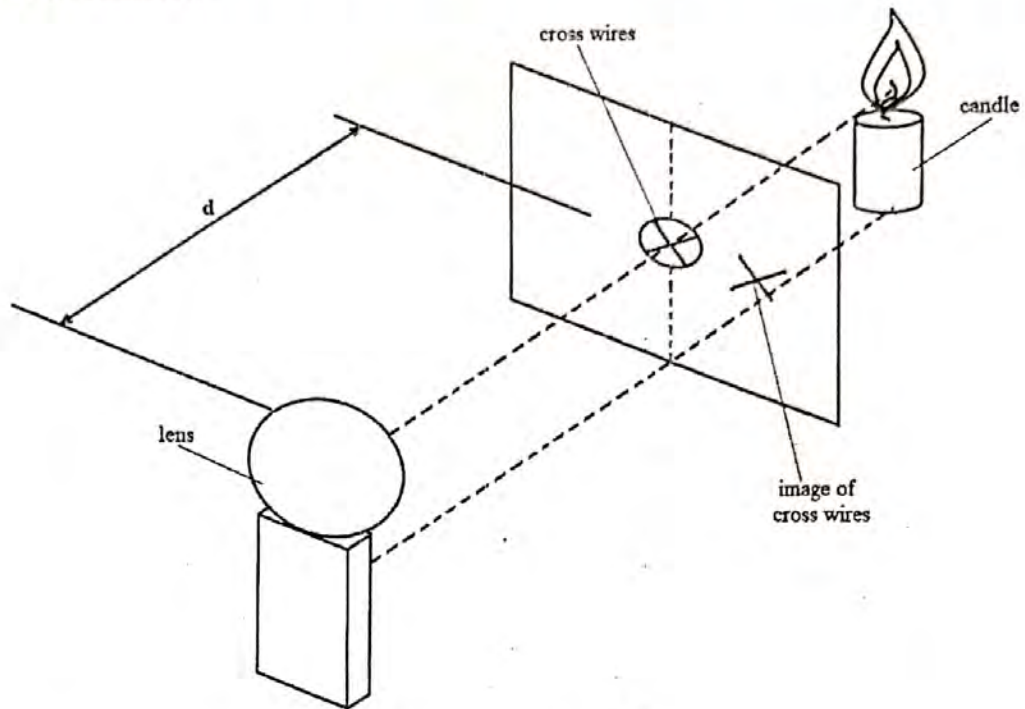


Figure 3

- i) Adjust the position of the lens until a sharp image of the cross-wire is formed on the screen next to the cross-wires. (Hint: You have to rotate the lens slightly about a vertical axis so that the image of the cross-wires falls on the screen next to the cross-wires and not on the cross-wires.)

Measure the distance d , between the lens and the screen.

~~10.0 ± 2.0~~
5.0 ± 4.0 cm ✓ 1 d.p a must (1 mark)

- ii) Determine the values of L and X :

I. $L = \frac{df}{f-d}$

$L = \frac{5.0 \times 10}{10 - 5}$ ✓ 1

$= 10 \text{ cm}$ ✓ 1

Students Values (2 marks)

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II. $X = \frac{L}{2f} + 1$

(2 marks)

$X = \frac{10 \text{ cm}}{2 \times 10 \text{ cm}} + 1$

Student values

$X = 1.5 \text{ cm}$

PART B

You are provided with the following:

- A metre rule
- A knife edge
- One 50g mass and a 100 g mass
- Two pieces of threads each 30 cm long
- Some water in a beaker
- Liquid L in a beaker
- Tissue paper

Proceed as follows

a) Balance the metre rule on the knife edge and record the reading at this point

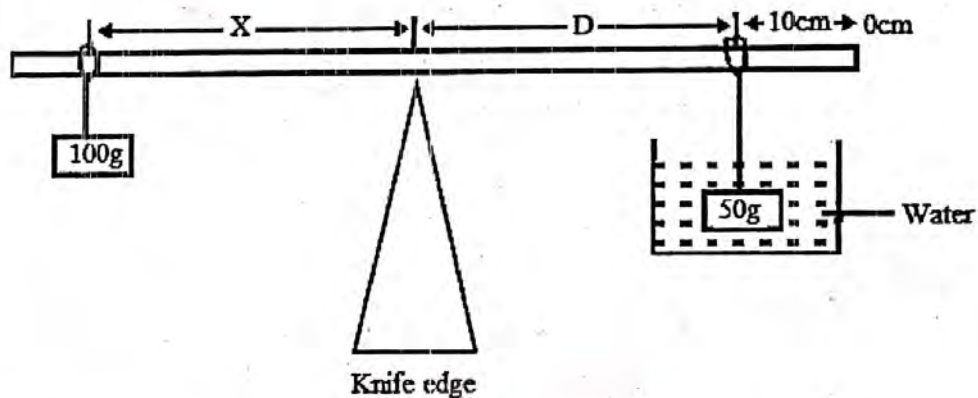
Balance point = 50.0 ± 0.5 cm mark

1 d.p. a must (1 mark)

For the rest of this experiment the knife edge must be maintained at this position.

b) Set up the apparatus as shown in the figure 4

Figure 4



The balance is obtained by adjusting the position of 100g mass when 50g mass is fully immersed in water. Record the values of X and D.

X = 17.5 ± 0.5 cm 1 d.p. ✓ must (1 mark)

D = 40.0 ± 1.0 cm. 1 d.p. ✓ must (1 mark)

c) Using the principle of moments,

(i) determine the weight W_1 of the 50g mass in water

(2 marks)

$$W_1 = \frac{1 \times 0.175}{0.4} \quad \checkmark \quad 1$$

$$0.4375 \text{ N} \quad \checkmark \quad 1$$

(ii) determine the Upthrust U_w in water

(1 mark)

$$U_w = 0.5 - \cancel{0.4375} 0.4375 \quad \checkmark \quad 2$$

$$= 0.0625 \text{ N} \quad \checkmark \quad 2$$

d) Remove the 50 g mass from the water and dry it using a tissue paper.

Keeping D constant, adjust the position of 100g mass until the metre rule is balanced and record the value of distance X when the 50g mass is fully immersed in liquid L.

$$X = 18.0 \pm 0.5 \text{ cm} \quad \text{v.d.p must} \quad (1 \text{ mark})$$

(i) Determine the weight W_2 of the 50g mass in liquid L.

(2 marks)

$$W_2 = \frac{1 \times 0.18}{0.4} \quad \checkmark \quad 1$$

$$0.45 \text{ N} \quad \checkmark \quad 1$$

(ii) Determine the Upthrust U_L in the liquid.

(1 mark)

$$U_L = 0.5 - 0.45 \quad \checkmark \quad 2$$

$$0.05 \text{ N} \quad \checkmark \quad 2$$

e) Determine the relative density R.D of the liquid L, given that $R.D = \frac{U_L}{U_w}$

(1 mark)

$$R.D = \frac{0.05}{0.0625} \quad \checkmark \quad 2$$

$$0.8 \quad \checkmark \quad 2$$

f) Find the density of liquid L in S.I unit

(1 mark)

$$\rho_L = 0.8 \times 1000 \quad \checkmark \quad 2$$

$$800 \text{ kg/m}^3 \quad \checkmark \quad 2$$