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PHYSICS

Paper 3

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Name: Marking Scheme Adm No:

Class: Candidate's Signature: Date: 28/3/2024.

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

	d	e	f	g	TOTAL
Maximum Score	7	5	6	2	20
Candidate's Score					

QUESTION 2

	c	d	e	TOTAL
Maximum score	7	5	8	20
Candidate's score				

TOTAL SCORE

Question 1

You are provided with the following apparatus:

- A bi convex lens
- A plane mirror
- Complete retort stand
- Some glycerine in a beaker
- Half meter rule
- Manilla card
- Two wooden blocks
- A dropper

Proceed as follows:

- a) Estimate the focal length, f of the lens provided.

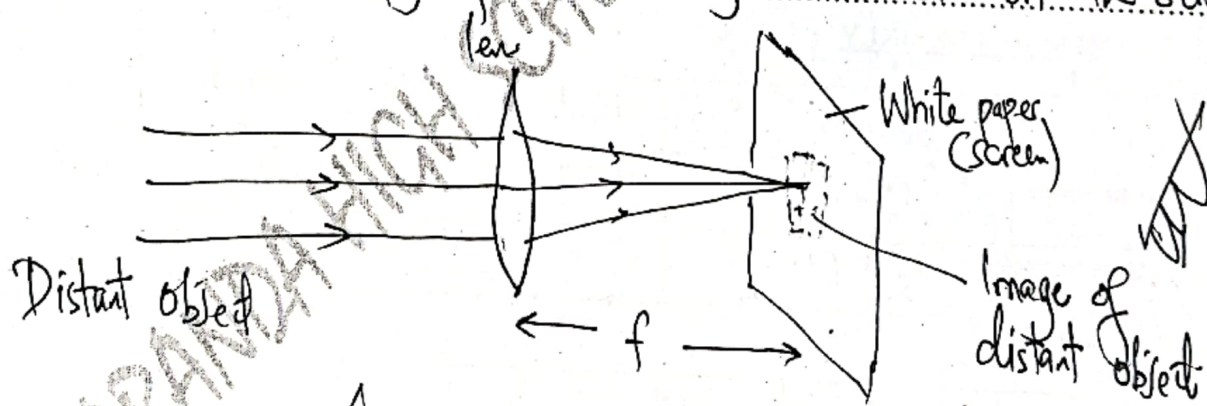
$f = 10.0 \pm 2.0 \text{ cm}$

(1 mark)

- b) With aid of a diagram, describe the method you used to estimate f in (a).

(2 marks)

Hold the lens and focus a distant object through the window/door while holding a white paper (screen). Measure the distance f between the screen and the lens when a sharply focussed image is seen on the screen.



Statement description

Diagram (workable)

- c) Clamp the wooden blocks so that they hold the manilla card horizontally, with the calibrated side upwards.
- d) Place the plane mirror on a horizontal surface directly below the object manilla card and place the lens at the centre of the mirror as shown in figure 1.

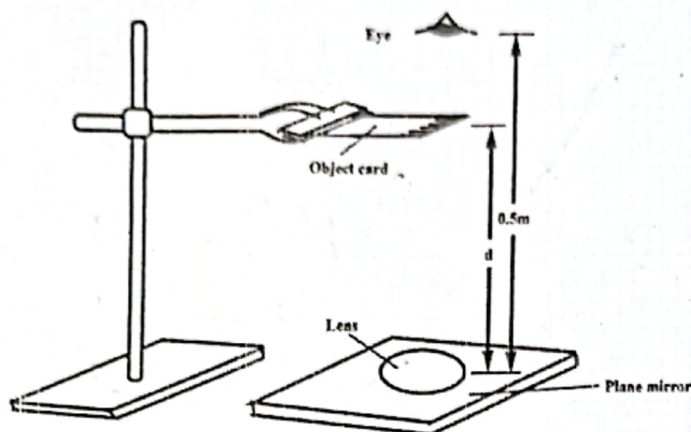


Figure 1

- e) Measure a height h , where $h = 15 \text{ cm}$ measured from the surface of the mirror.
- f) Keeping your eye about 0.50 m from the mirror, adjust the position of the mirror and lens so that you can see an image of the card in the central region of the lens.
- g) By means of the millimeter scale on the top side of the object manilla card, determine the width of the image.
- h) Repeat the experiment to obtain a series of corresponding values of h and b . Record the results in table 1.

Note: invert the card for the images larger than the object so that the calibrated side faces the mirror

Determine the image width by relating to the object width.

Table 1

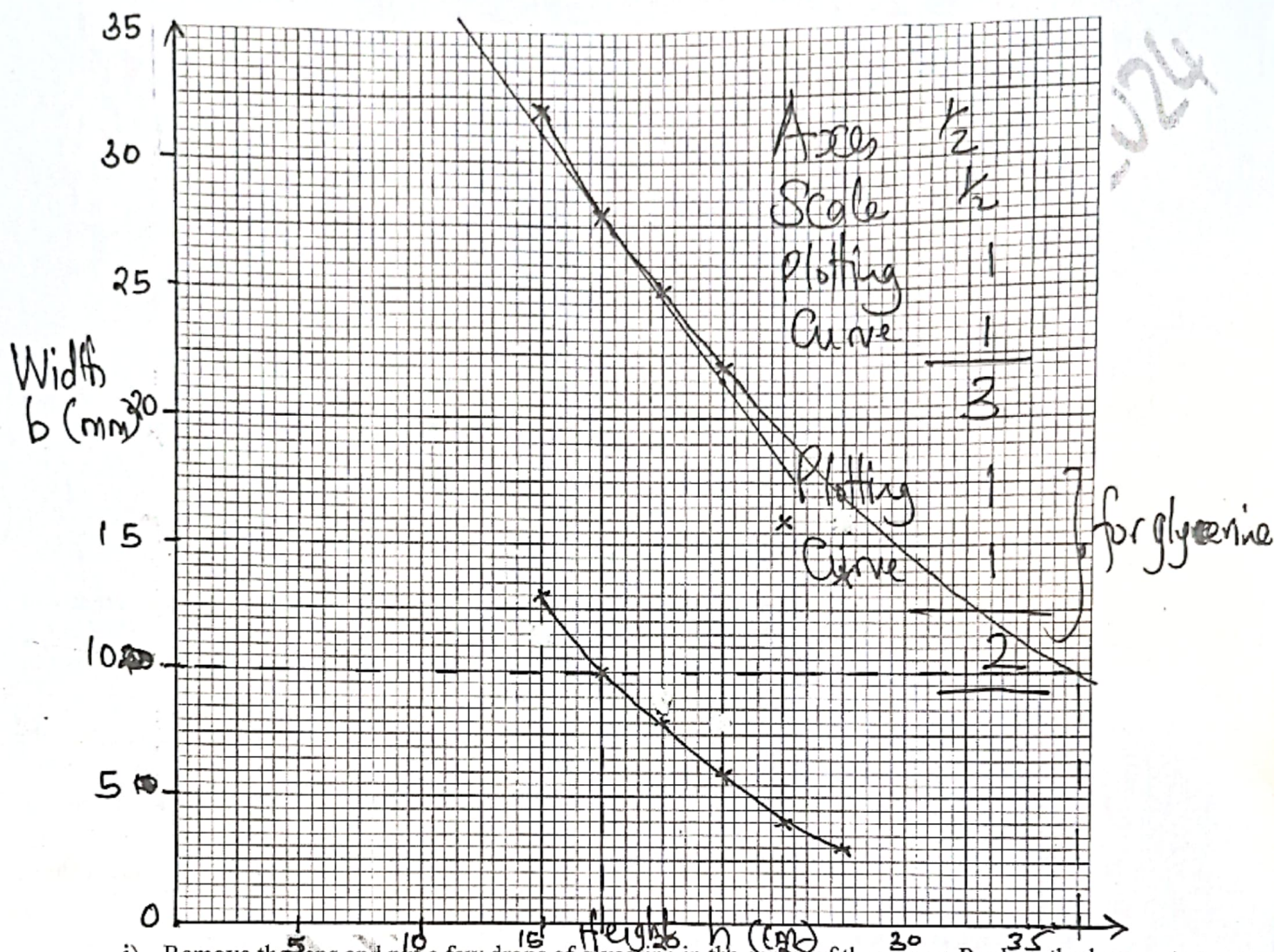
(3 marks)

Height h (cm)	15.0	17.5	20.0	22.5	25.0	27.5
Width b (mm)	13	10	8	6	4	3
$\pm 3 \text{ mm}$						

each $\frac{1}{2}$
mark
Max 3

- i) Plot a graph of width, b against height, h

(3 marks)



- j) Remove the lens and put a few drops of glycerine in the centre of the mirror. Replace the lens on top of the glycerine so that the glycerine fills the central region of the lens.

- k) Repeat step (e) to obtain a series of corresponding values of h and new image width b . record the results in table 2

(3 marks)

Table 2

Height h (cm)	15.0	17.5	20.0	22.5	25.0	27.5
Width b (mm)	32	28	25	22	16	14
± 3 mm						

Each $\frac{1}{2}$ mark
Max 3 marks

- l) Using the same axes as in (g) plot a graph of width, b against height, h

(2 marks)

m) From the graphs, determine:

(i) h_a the value of h when $b = 10$ mm (for air)

$$h_a = 17.5 \text{ cm}$$

✓₁ with evidence from graph (1 mark)

(ii) h_g the value of h when $b = 10$ mm (for glycerine)

$$h_g = 37.0 \text{ cm}$$

✓₁ with evidence from graph (1 mark)

n) Determine the constant k for glycerine from the expression $k = 2 - \frac{h_a}{h_g}$ (2 marks)

$$k = 2 - \frac{17.5}{37.0}$$

✓₁ correct substitution

$$1.527$$

✓₁ accuracy

o) Find the gradient of the graph for glycerine when the height $h = 18$ cm (2 marks)

$$\text{gradient} = \frac{\Delta \text{width } b, \text{ mm}}{\Delta \text{height } h, \text{ cm}}$$

✓₁ tangent drawn

$$= \frac{(31 - 21.5) \text{ mm}}{(22.5 - 15 - 22.5) \text{ cm}}$$

✓₁ read off

$$= \frac{9.5 \text{ mm}}{-7.5 \text{ cm}}$$

✓₁ read off

$$= -1.267 \text{ mm/cm}$$

✓₁ correct evaluation

Question 2PART A

You are provided with the following apparatus:

- Metre rule
- Thread
- A complete retort stand
- Two masses, a 50g and 20g mass
- Water in a beaker
- Liquid X in a beaker

- a) Suspend the metre rule so that it balances at its centre of gravity G. Read and record the value of G.

$$G = 50.0 \pm 1.0 \text{ (No mark) cm}$$

- b) Suspend the 50g mass at a distance $d = 10 \text{ cm}$, then suspend the 20g mass and adjust its position such that the metre rule is balanced as shown in the figure 2

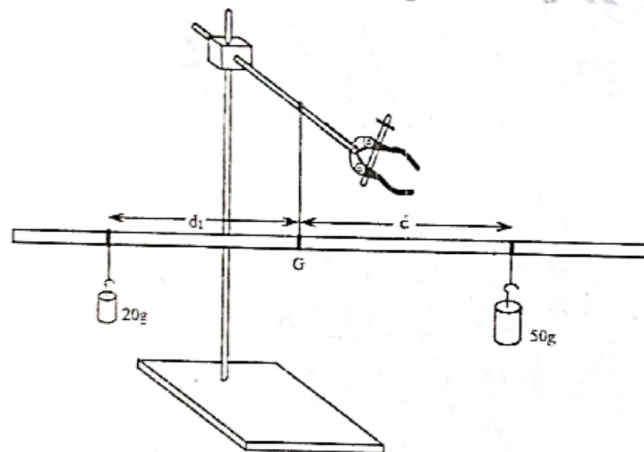


Figure 2

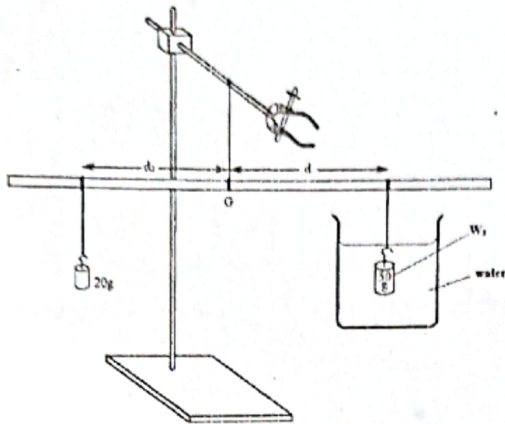
- c) Record the distance distance d_1

$$d_1 = 25.0 \pm 1.0 \text{ cm}$$

✓ 1 dp
a must

(1 mark)

- d) While maintaining the distance d , immerse the the 50g mass completely in water, as shown in the figure 3.



- e) Adjust the position of the 20g mass to balance the metre rule again. Record the new distance d_2

$d_2 = 22.0 \pm 1.0$ cm ✓ 1 kg a must (1 mark)

- f) Using the results obtained above, calculate the value of W_1 , weight of the 50g mass in water. (2 marks)

$$F_1 d_1 = F_2 d_2$$

$$\frac{20}{1000} \times 10 \times \frac{22}{100} = \frac{10}{100} \times W_1 \quad \checkmark \text{ Substitution}$$

$$W_1 = 0.44 \text{ N} \quad \checkmark \text{ accuracy}$$

- g) Determine the upthrust U_1 on the 50g mass in water. (1 mark)

$$\text{Upthrust } U_1 = 0.5 \text{ N} - 0.44 \text{ N} \quad \checkmark \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= 0.06 \text{ N} \quad \checkmark \frac{1}{2}$$

- h) Repeat steps (d), (e) and (f) but now the 50g is totally immersed in liquid X as shown in the figure 4

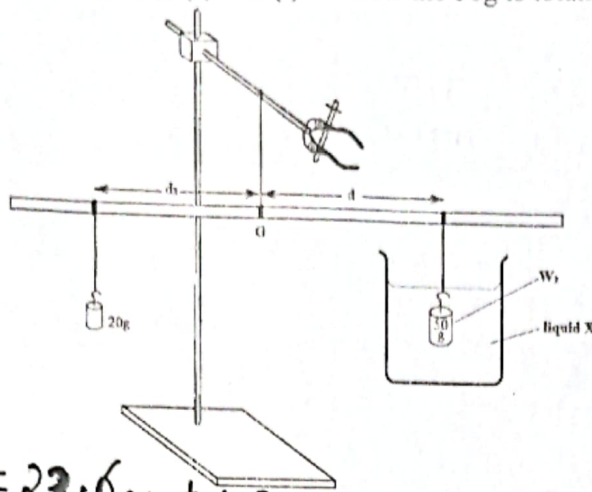


Figure 4

- i) Using the results obtained above, calculate the value of W_2 , weight of the 50g mass in liquid X. (1 mark)

$$F_1 d_1 = F_2 d_2$$

$$\frac{20}{1000} \times 10 \times \frac{22.6}{100} = \frac{10}{100} \times W_2 \quad \checkmark \frac{1}{2} \text{ substitution}$$

$$W_2 = 0.452 \text{ N} \quad \checkmark \frac{1}{2} \text{ accuracy}$$

- j) Determine the upthrust U_2 on the 50g mass in liquid X. (1 mark)

$$\text{Upthrust } U_2 = 0.5 \text{ N} - 0.452 \text{ N} \quad \checkmark \frac{1}{2}$$

$$0.048 \text{ N} \quad \checkmark \frac{1}{2}$$

- k) Given that $\rho_L = \frac{U_2}{U_1} \times \rho_w$ where $\rho_w = 1000 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$. Calculate ρ_L (1 mark)

$$\rho_L = \frac{0.048 \text{ N}}{0.06 \text{ N}} \times 1000 \text{ kg m}^{-3} \quad \checkmark \frac{1}{2} \text{ substitution}$$

$$= 800 \text{ kg m}^{-3} \quad \checkmark \frac{1}{2} \text{ accuracy}$$

PART B

You are provided with the following:

- four $10\ \Omega$ resistors
- a resistance wire labelled Q mounted on a half metre rule
- a resistance wire AB mounted on a metre rule
- two dry cells and a cell holder
- a centre zero galvanometer G
- 8 connecting wires each with a crocodile clip at one end
- a jockey
- a micrometer screw gauge
- a switch

Proceed as follows:

- a) Set up the circuit as in **figure 5** in which R is near A and Q is near B. (R is a $10\ \Omega$ resistor or an appropriate combination of 10-ohm resistors).

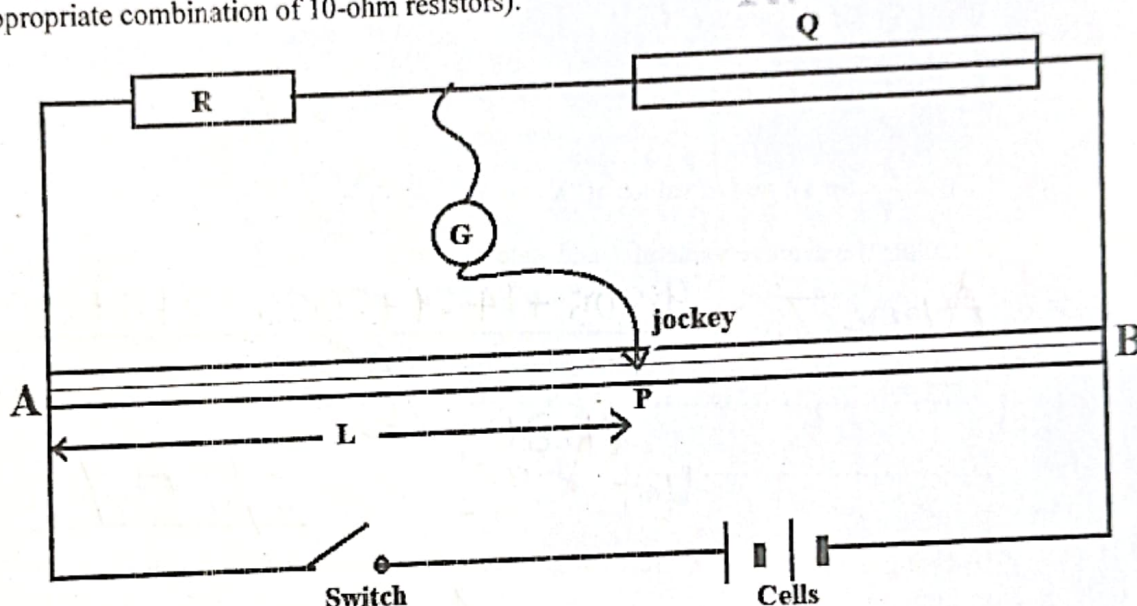


Figure 5

- b) Starting with a single $10\ \Omega$ resistor as R, close the switch. Using the jockey tap wire AB briefly near end A and observe the deflection on the galvanometer. Now tap the wire near end B and again observe the deflection of the galvanometer. (The two deflections should be in opposite directions)
- c) Still with the $10\ \Omega$ resistor as R, tap at various points along wire AB to obtain a point P at which the galvanometer shows zero deflection. Measure and record in **table 3** the length L between A and P.

d) Repeat part (c) to obtain L for other values of R shown in table 3.

each 1/2 mark
max 3.
3dp a must

4sf or exact
(all 1mk)
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R (Ω)	5	10	15	20	25	30
L (m)	510.0	70.0	74.0	83.0	87.0	89.0
$\pm 0.020\text{m}$	0.510	0.700	0.740	0.830	0.870	0.890
$X = \frac{1}{L} (\text{m}^{-1})$	1.961	1.429	1.351	1.205	1.149	1.124
$Y = \frac{1}{R} (\Omega^{-1})$	0.2	0.1	0.06667	0.05	0.04	0.03333
$Z = \frac{X}{Y}$	9.805	14.29	20.26	24.1	28.73	33.72

e) Determine:

(i) $\frac{1}{L}$ for all values of L

(1 mark)

(ii) $\frac{1}{R}$ for all values of R

(1 mark)

(iii) $\frac{X}{Y}$ for all sets of values of X and Y

(1 mark)

f) Calculate the average value of Z and state its unit

(2 marks)

Average Z = $\frac{9.805 + 14.29 + 20.26 + 24.1 + 28.73 + 33.72}{6} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$

Unit = $\frac{\text{m}^{-1}}{\Omega^{-1}} = \Omega/\text{m}$ Ohm/meter $\sqrt{1}$

g) (i) Using the micrometer screw gauge provided, measure and record the diameter D of wire Q in millimetres.

D = 0.32 ± 0.02 mm.

$\sqrt{1}$ 2dp a must

(1 mark)

(ii) Record D in metres.

D = $\frac{0.32}{1000} = 0.00032$ m. $\sqrt{1}$ 5dp a must

(1 mark)

h) Determine the value of constant K given that: $4K = \pi D^2 Z$

(2 marks)

$4 \times K = \frac{22}{7} \times (0.00032)^2 \text{m}^2 \times 21.80 \Omega/\text{m} \sqrt{1}$ correct substitution

$K = 1.754 \times 10^{-6} \Omega \text{m}$

$\sqrt{1}$ accuracy with units correct