## Cambridge International AS \& A Level

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## PHYSICS

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 will be allowed to work with the apparatus for a maximum of 1 hour for each question.
- You should record all your observations in the spaces provided in the question paper as soon as these observations are made.
- 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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## You may not need to use all of the materials provided.

1 In this experiment you will investigate an electrical circuit.
(a) You have been provided with the circuit shown in Fig. 1.1.


Fig. 1.1

- Connect the voltmeter in parallel with component C , as shown in Fig. 1.2.


Fig. 1.2

- Connect the resistor labelled F in parallel with the component holder, as shown in Fig. 1.2.
- Connect one of the labelled resistors into the component holder as resistor X , as shown in Fig. 1.2. Record the resistance $R$ of resistor $X$.

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R=
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- Switch on the power supply.
- Move $S$ to position 1.
- Record the voltmeter reading $V$.
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V=
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(b) - Ensure S is at position 1 .

- Move $S$ to position 2 and start the stop-watch. The voltmeter reading will gradually decrease.
- Stop the stop-watch when the voltmeter reading passes 0.8 V .
- Record the time $t$ shown by the stop-watch.

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t=
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- Move $S$ to position 1.
(c) Change X and repeat (b) until you have six sets of values of $R$ and $t$. Record your results in a table. Include values of $\frac{1}{R}$ and $\frac{1}{t}$ in your table.
(d) (i) Plot a graph of $\frac{1}{t}$ on the $y$-axis against $\frac{1}{R}$ on the $x$-axis.
(ii) Draw the straight line of best fit.
(iii) Determine the gradient and $y$-intercept of this line.
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gradient $=$
$y$-intercept $=$

(e) It is suggested that the quantities $t$ and $R$ are related by the equation

$$
\frac{1}{t}=\frac{a}{R}+b
$$

where $a$ and $b$ are constants.
Use your answers in (d)(iii) to determine the values of $a$ and $b$. Give appropriate units.

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\begin{aligned}
& a=\text {............................................................... } \\
& b=. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~
\end{aligned}
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2 In this experiment, you will compare some of the properties of two liquids.
(a) You are provided with a block of transparent material with a string loop attached to its rear face, as shown in Fig. 2.1.


Fig. 2.1

- Hook the newton meter through the string loop.
- Record the weight $W$ of the block shown by the newton meter.

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W=
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(b) (i) - Place the large transparent plate flat on the bench.

- Use the beaker labelled WATER and its pipette to make a pool of water of approximate diameter 5 cm near the centre of the large plate.
- Place the front face of the transparent block on the pool of water. There should be a film of water over the whole of the front face of the block, as shown in Fig. 2.2.
- Hold the large plate down on the bench.
- Hook the newton meter through the string loop and slowly pull up vertically on the block.


Fig. 2.2

- Record the newton meter reading $F$ at the moment the block is detached from the plate.

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F=
$$

(ii) Estimate the percentage uncertainty in your value of $F$. Show your working.
(iii) Calculate $E$ using $E=F-W$.

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E=
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(c) - Use the stand, boss and clamp to position the syringe body above the beaker of water, as shown in Fig. 2.3.


Fig. 2.3

- Cover the nozzle with a finger.
- Use the pipette to fill the syringe with water until the level is above the $10 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}$ mark.
- Uncover the nozzle and start the stop-watch when the level passes the $10 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}$ mark.
- Stop the stop-watch when the level passes the $1 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}$ mark.
- Record the stop-watch reading $T$.

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T=
$$

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(d) - Use paper towels to dry the water from the large plate, the block and the syringe body. - Repeat (b)(i), (b)(iii) and (c) with oil, using the beaker labelled OIL and its pipette.
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$F=$
$\qquad$
(e) It is suggested that the relationship between $E$ and $T$ is

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k E^{2}=T
$$

where $k$ is a constant.
(i) Using your data, calculate two values of $k$.

> first value of $k=$ second value of $k=$
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(ii) Justify the number of significant figures that you have given for your values of $k$.
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(f) It is suggested that the percentage uncertainty in the values of $k$ is $40 \%$.

Using this uncertainty, explain whether your results support the relationship in (e).
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(g) (i) Describe four sources of uncertainty or limitations of the procedure for this experiment.

For any uncertainties in measurement that you describe, you should state the quantity being measured and a reason for the uncertainty.

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(ii) Describe four improvements that could be made to this experiment. You may suggest the use of other apparatus or different procedures.

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