

**MARK SCHEME for the October/November 2010 question paper  
for the guidance of teachers**

**0625 PHYSICS**

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Paper 5 (Practical), maximum raw mark 40

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- 1 (a)  $a$  and  $b$  present and in cm [1]  
 $a + b < 50$  cm [1]  
 $m$  correct calculation [1]
- (b) At least two values given for  $w$  or  $t$  [1]  
More than two values given for  $w$  and  $t$  [1]  
Sensible values for  $w$  and  $t$  [1]  
 $V$  calculation correct method [1]  
Density to 2 or 3 significant figures and unit [1]  
Value 0.5–1.5 [1]
- (c) Centre of mass at 50 cm mark/midpoint/middle (wtte) [1]
- [Total: 10]**
- 2 (a)  $\theta_r$  sensible value [1]
- (b)–(d)  $t$  in s,  $\theta$  in  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  [1]  
Correct  $t$  values [1]  
Table 2.1 temperatures decreasing [1]  
Table 2.2 temperatures decreasing [1]  
Evidence of temperatures to  $1^{\circ}\text{C}$  [1]
- (e) Statement matches readings [1]  
Justified by reference to readings  
Comparison given of changes in temperature with numbers [1]
- (f) Any two from:  
Same (starting) temperature (wtte)  
Constant room temperature/draughts (wtte)/environment/place  
Carry out in same time intervals/duration  
Same thermometer (wtte)
- NOT volume of water/location of thermometer/beaker/'temperature' alone  
If > 2 responses, –1 for each additional incorrect (ignore 'neutrals') [2]
- [Total: 10]**

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- 3 (a)  $V_0$  sensible value 1.0–2.5 [1]
- (b) Table: [1]  
 $R$  in  $\Omega$ ,  $V$  in  $V$  [1]  
 All  $V$  to at least 1 d.p. [1]  
 $V$  values decreasing [1]
- (c) Graph: axes labelled and scales suitable (origin included) [1]  
 All plots correct to nearest  $\frac{1}{2}$  small square [1]  
 Well judged best fit line [1]  
 Thin line [1]
- (d) Line extended suitably to  $y$  axis [1]  
 Estimate correct to  $\frac{1}{2}$  small square [1]
- [Total: 10]**
- 4 (b)  $d = 2.8$ – $3.2$  cm [1]
- (c)–(e) correct  $\times$  values 2.0, 4.0, 6.0, 8.0, 10.0 [1]  
 $s$  values present and increasing [1]  
 $s^2$  values correct [1]  
 $s^2$  values all to same number of significant figures (2, 3 or 4) [1]  
 All above in correct units [1]  
 Final  $s^2$  value  $2\times$  first value ( $\pm 10\%$ ) [1]
- (f) Correct statement matching results [1]
- (g) Justified referring to specified results [1]  
 (either exact or within limits of experimental accuracy, or wtte)
- (h) Any one of: [1]  
 Use of darkened room  
 How to avoid parallax when taking readings  
 Use of marks paper on screen to aid measurements  
 Card and screen vertical  
 Repeats
- [Total: 10]**