

MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2014 series

0625 PHYSICS

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Paper 6 (Alternative to Practical), maximum raw mark 40

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- 1 (a) (i) l in range 17.1–17.2 (cm) [1]
- (ii) x in range 15.5–15.6 (cm) **and** correct calculation of y (e.c.f. incorrect l) [1]
- (b) use of at least 3 turns [1]
- (mark string and) measure distance (between marks) **and** divide by number of turns [1]
- (c) (i) any one from:
- stretching of string
 - thickness of string
 - thickness of mark
 - gaps between turns
 - winding of turns at an angle [1]
- (ii) $V = 7.1(0) - 7.2(0) \text{ cm}^3$ e.c.f. (a)(ii) [1]
- (iii) $V_E = 0.2 - 0.6 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)}$ [1]
(expect estimate to nearest 0.1 cm^3)
- sensible reasoning/working/method which takes account of sharpened shape and length [1]
- [Total: 8]**
- 2 (a) (i) $88(^{\circ}\text{C})$ [1]
- (ii) $s, ^{\circ}\text{C}$ [1]
- (b) axes correctly labelled with quantity and unit [1]
- suitable scales on both axes, occupying more than half the grid [1]
- all plots correct to $\frac{1}{2}$ small square [1]
- good line judgement, not through all points [1]
- thin, continuous line and neat plots (penalise large 'blobs') [1]
- (c) (i) statement to match candidate's graph line (expect curve) [1]
- (ii) statement to match candidate's graph line (expect (rate) decreases) [1]
- (d) description or diagram to show one from:
- perpendicular line of sight
 - reading to bottom of meniscus [1]
- [Total: 10]**

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- 3 (a) (i) 2.1 (V) [1]
0.45 (A) [1]
(ii) $R = 4.7$ accept 4.67 (Ω) e.c.f. (a)(i) [1]
all units correct, V, A, Ω , symbols or words [1]
- (b) (current) decreases [1]
- (c) correct symbol for variable resistor (rectangle with strike-through arrow) [1]
- (d) clear description or diagram showing triangle method with large triangle **or** taking **two** co-ordinates far apart on line [1]
how to calculate gradient, e.g. equation or rise/run, etc. [1]
- [Total: 8]**
- 4 (a) (i) x and y clearly and correctly labelled to centre of lens [1]
(ii) $d = 40.9$ (cm) no mark
(iii) $d^2 = 1673$ (cm²) no mark
(iv) $f = 14.8/14.77$ correct answer only [1]
ignore sig. figs, but penalise incorrect rounding
cm **and** 2 or 3 sig. figs. [1]
- (b) any two from:
 - use of darkened room/brighter lamp/no other lights
 - mark position of centre of lens on holder
 - place metre rule on bench/clamp in position
 - ensure object and (centre of) lens are same height (from the bench)
 - repeat (and average)
 - move the lens slowly/to and fro
 - lens, object and screen all vertical/perpendicular to bench
[max 2]
- (c) (i) **two points in either order:**
one magnified, other diminished owtte [1]
one brighter than the other [1]
(ii) both inverted/both real [1]
accept same way up/same shape

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(d) distance between object and screen / D / change position of screen [1]

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5 (a) (i) 1 m–2.5 m [1]

(ii) 10 cm–1 m but h must be less than $l/2$ [1]

(b) any three from:

- making marks/lines on track for start and finish
- repeats/find average time
- constant starting positions
- not pushing car
- time from same point on car
- use light gates/data logger/automatic timer for timing
- method for avoiding parallax error when judging finishing point/stand level with finish

[max 3]

[Total: 5]