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# **Physics**

Advanced Level

Unit Test PHY5 Practical Test Group 1

Tuesday 23 May 2006 – Morning

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

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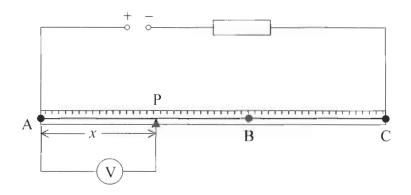
## Question 1A

(a)	(i)	Measure the length $l$ and the width $w$ of the sheet of paper labelled Part (a).
		<i>l</i> =
		$w = \dots$
		The paper has a mass per unit area of 80 g m <sup>2</sup> . Calculate the mass of the sheet of paper.
		(3)
	(ii)	Determine the thickness, <i>t</i> , of the sheet of paper.
		Use your measurements to calculate the density of the paper.
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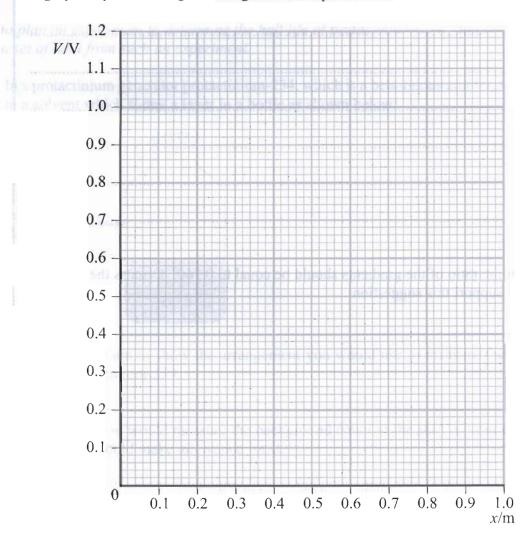
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Use the 4 mm plug to make a contact P at about the 50 cm mark and record the distance AP, labelled x. Record also the reading V on the voltmeter.

	<i>x</i> –	
	<i>V</i> =	
(b)	(i)	You are to take readings of $V$ for different values of $x$ , the distance between A and P. Use the 4 mm plug to make a contact P at different points along the wire AB. Record your readings for $V$ and $x$ below. Switch off the power supply after you have taken your readings.



(iii) Switch on the power supply and use the 4 mm plug to make a contact **P** at different points along the wire BC. Record your readings for *V* and *x*, where *x* is the distance between A and P. Switch off the power supply after you have taken your readings.

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(iv) Plot a graph of these readings on the grid above. Label this line Y. Extend the lines X and Y and determine the value of x at their intersection.

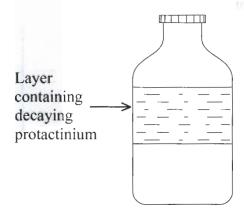
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(c)	Determine the gradients $m_X$ and $m_Y$ of the lines X and Y.	Leo	ave ınk
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(d)	It is suggested that the ratio of the gradients should be equal to 0.360. Discuss the extent to which your results support this suggestion.		
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	(Total 16 marks)		

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You are to plan an experiment to determine the half life of protactinium-234. You are then to analyse a set of data from such an experiment.

(a) (i) In a protactinium generator protactinium-234, which is a beta-minus emitter, is dissolved in a solvent which forms a layer in a bottle as shown below:



Add to the diagram to show the arrangement you would use to measure the count rate from the protactinium-234.

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(ii)	Describe how you would measure the background count at the start of your experiment and how you would make allowance for it.
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(iii)	Describe the readings you would take to determine the half life of the protactinium-234, which is thought to be of the order of one minute.
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$$A = A_0 e^{-\lambda t}$$

where  $A_0$  = count rate at t = 0and  $\lambda$  = decay constant

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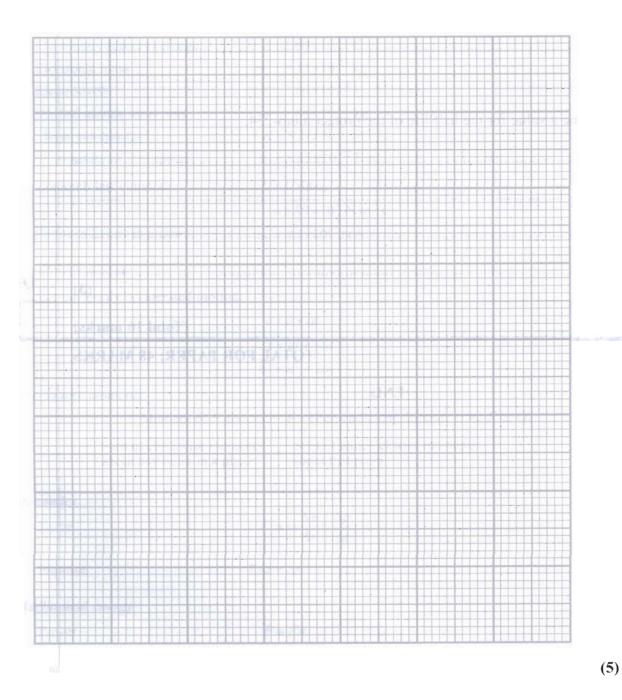
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Use the columns provided for your processed data, and then plot a suitable graph on the grid opposite to test whether the decay follows the expected pattern.

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) Use your graph to find a value for the decay constant $\lambda$ .	Leave blank
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Photon model 
$$E = hf$$
 (Planck constant  $h$ )

Maximum energy of photoelectrons  $= hf - \varphi$  (Work function  $\varphi$ )

Energy levels  $hf = E_1 - E_2$ 

de Broglie wavelength 
$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$$

#### Observing the Universe

Doppler shift 
$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = \frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda} \approx \frac{v}{c}$$
Hubble law 
$$v = Hd$$
 (Hubble constant II)

#### Gravitational fields

Gravitational field strength 
$$g = F/m$$
  
for radial field  $g = Gm/r^2$ , numerically (Gravitational constant G)

#### Electric fields

Electrical field strength 
$$E = F/Q$$
 for radial field  $E = kQ/r^2$  (Coulomb law constant  $k$ ) for uniform field  $E = V/d$ 

For an electron in a vacuum tube  $e\Delta V = \Delta(\frac{1}{2}m_ev^2)$ 

#### Capacitance

discharge

Energy stored 
$$W = \frac{1}{2}CV^2$$
Capacitors in parallel  $C = C_1 + C_2 + C_3$ 
Capacitors in series  $\frac{1}{C} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3}$ 
Time constant for capacitor

=RC

#### Magnetic fields

$$F = BII$$

Magnetic flux density (Magnetic field strength)

$$B = \mu_0 nI$$

(Permeability of free space  $\mu_0$ )

$$B = \mu_0 I / 2\pi r$$

$$\Phi = BA$$

$$\mathcal{E} = -\frac{N\Delta\Phi}{\Delta t}$$

(Number of turns N)

#### Accelerators

$$\Delta E = c^2 \Delta m$$

$$F = BQv$$

#### Analogies in physics

$$Q = Q_0 e^{-t/RC}$$

$$\frac{t_{\frac{1}{2}}}{RC} = \ln 2$$

$$N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$\lambda t_{\perp} = \ln 2$$

#### Experimental physics

Percentage uncertainty = 
$$\frac{\text{Estimated uncertainty} \times 100\%}{\text{Average value}}$$

#### Mathematics

$$\sin(90^{\circ} - \theta) = \cos\theta$$

$$ln(x^n) = n ln x$$

$$ln(e^{kx}) = kx$$

Equation of a straight line

$$y = mx + c$$

Surface area

cylinder = 
$$2\pi rh + 2\pi r^2$$

sphere = 
$$4\pi r^2$$

Volume

cylinder = 
$$\pi r^2 h$$

sphere = 
$$\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$

For small angles:

$$\sin\theta \approx \tan\theta \approx \theta$$

(in radians)

$$\cos\theta \approx 1$$

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# Physics

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## Question 2A

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	<i>l</i> =
	$W = \dots$
	Use the balance to measure the mass $m$ of the sheet of paper.
	$m = \dots$
	Use your measurements to determine the mass per unit area of the paper in g m $^2$ .
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(ii)	Describe how you would determine the thickness of the paper. Include in your description any additional apparatus you would require and precautions you would take to make the reading as accurate as possible.
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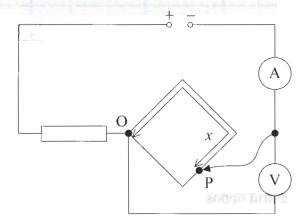
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	lower clip by about $45^{\circ}$ and release it carefully so that it performs rotational oscillations about a vertical axis.		nk
	Determine the period of oscillation $T_1$ .		
	Explain how you used the pin in the cork to improve the accuracy of your readings.		
	(3)		
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	Twist the lower clip by about 45° and release it carefully.		
	Determine the period of oscillation $T_2$ .		
	(2)		
(iii)	Calculate the ratio of $T_2/T_1$ .		
	Estimate the percentage uncertainty in your value of this ratio.		
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	(Total 16 marks)		

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- (a) Measure the diameter *d* of the short length of wire.
- (b) (i) Set up the circuit as shown in the diagram. A resistance wire is set up as a square. This is the same type of wire as the short length. Plug into the crocodile clip to make contact with the wire at point O as shown in the diagram. This is to be taken as the 0 cm mark. A 4 mm plug is to be used to make a contact P with the wire. Before switching on the power supply have your circuit checked by the Supervisor. You will be allowed a short time to correct any faults, but if you are unable to set up the circuit the Supervisor will set it up for you. You will lose only 2 marks for this.



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(ii)	Make a contact P such that $x = 0.650$ m, where $x$ is the distance of P from O measured clockwise round the square. Record the reading $V$ on the voltmeter and the reading $I$ on the ammeter. Calculate the resistance $R$ between O and P.
	<i>V</i> = <i>I</i> =

Take readings of V and I for different values of  $x \ge 0.300$  m. Record your readings below and complete the table for values of R and R/x.

x/m	V/V	I/A	$R/\Omega$	$(R/x)/\Omega$ m <sup>-1</sup>

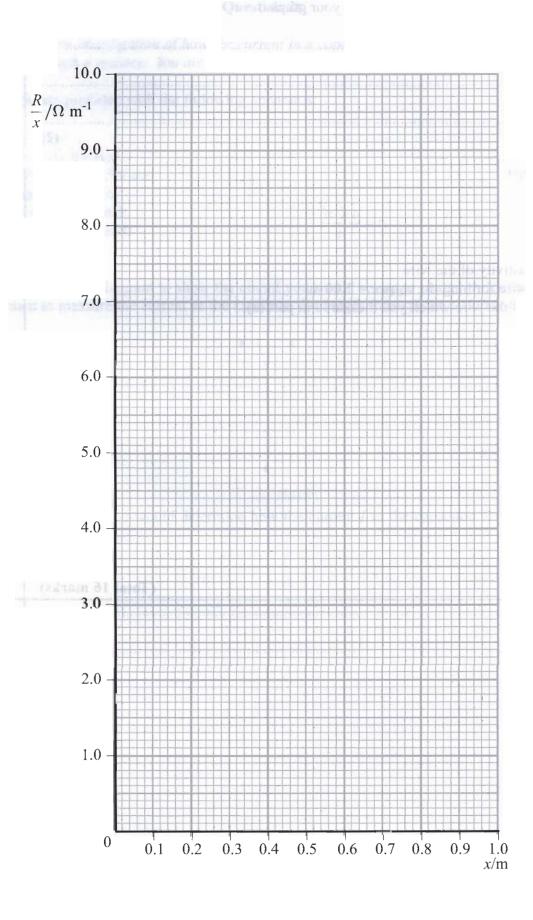
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(c) Plot a graph of R/x against x on the grid opposite.

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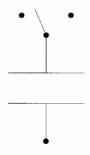
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You are to plan an investigation of how the current in a capacitor varies with time when it is discharged through a resistor. You are then to analyse a set of data from such an experiment.

- (a) (i) You are provided with the following apparatus:
  - capacitor
  - 10 kΩ resistor
  - (nominal) 1.5 V cell
  - microammeter
  - two-way switch
  - · connecting leads
  - stopwatch

Complete the diagram to show the circuit you would set up to charge the capacitor and then to measure the current as the capacitor discharges through the  $10 \text{ k}\Omega$  resistor.



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$$I = I_0 e^{-at}$$

where  $I_0$  = current at t = 0and  $\alpha = a$  constant

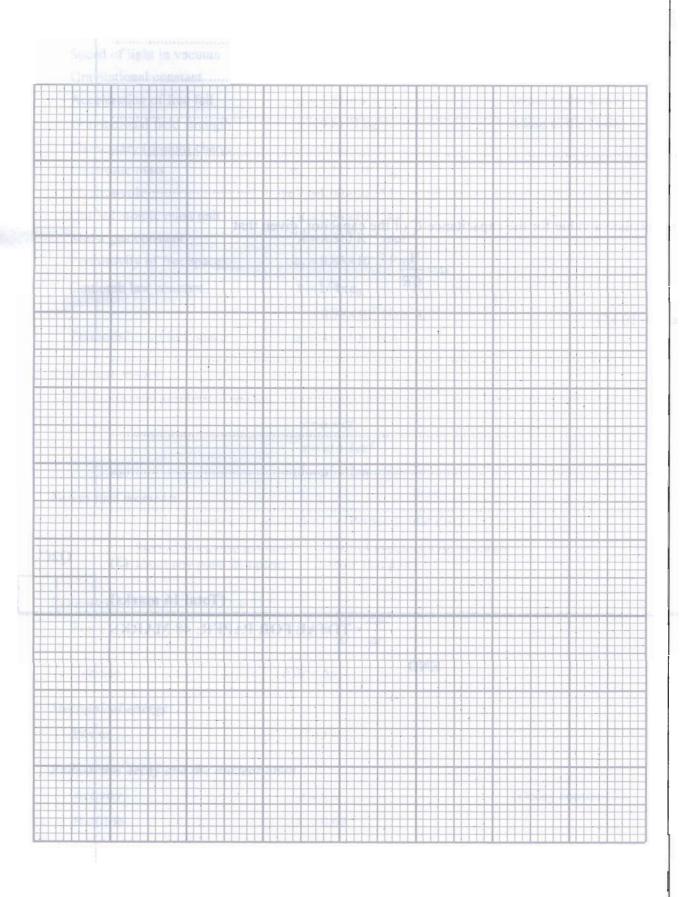
and u - a constant	
Explain why a graph of $In I$ against $t$ would be a straight line if the relationship varies.	were
Estimate the value of $I_0$ expected in this experiment. Show how you arrived at answer.	your
	(2)

(b) The following data were obtained in such an investigation.

t/s	I/μA	
10	121.5	
20	97.5	
30	79.0	
40	63.4	
50	51.4	
60	41.7	
70	33.1	

Use the column provided for your processed data and then plot a suitable graph on the grid opposite to test the suggested relationship.

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Use your graph to find a value for a.	Leave   blank
Hence calculate a value for the capacitance $C$ of the capacitor, given that	
$a = \frac{1}{CR}$	
where $R = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ .	
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$$E = hf$$
 (Planck constant  $h$ )

Maximum energy of photoelectrons  $= hf - \varphi$  (Work function  $\varphi$ )

Energy levels 
$$hf = E_1 - E_2$$

de Broglie wavelength 
$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$$

#### Observing the Universe

Doppler shift 
$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = \frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda} \approx \frac{v}{c}$$
Hubble law 
$$v = IId \qquad (\text{Hubble constant } H)$$

#### Gravitational fields

Gravitational field strength 
$$g = F/m$$

## for radial field $g = Gm/r^2$ , numerically (Gravitational constant G)

### Electric fields

Electrical field strength 
$$E = F/Q$$
 for radial field  $E = kQ/r^2$  (Coulomb law constant  $k$ ) for uniform field  $E = V/d$ 

For an electron in a vacuum tube  $e\Delta V = \Delta(\frac{1}{2}m_e v^2)$ 

## Capacitance

Energy stored 
$$W = \frac{1}{2}CV^2$$
  
Capacitors in parallel  $C = C_1 + C_2 + C_3$   
Capacitors in series  $\frac{1}{C} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3}$ 

Time constant for capacitor discharge 
$$= RC$$

#### Magnetic fields

Force on a wire 
$$F = BII$$

Magnetic flux density (Magnetic field strength)

in a long solenoid 
$$B = \mu_0 nl$$
 (Permeability of free space  $\mu_0$ )

near a long wire 
$$B = \mu_0 I / 2\pi r$$

Magnetic flux 
$$\Phi = BA$$

E.m.f. induced in a coil 
$$\mathcal{E} = -\frac{N\Delta\Phi}{\Delta t}$$
 (Number of turns N)

#### Accelerators

Mass-energy 
$$\Delta E = c^2 \Delta m$$
 Force on a moving charge 
$$F = BQv$$

#### Analogies in physics

Capacitor discharge 
$$Q = Q_0 e^{-t/RC}$$

$$\frac{t_{\downarrow}}{RC} = \ln 2$$

Radioactive decay 
$$N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$\lambda t_{\perp} = \ln 2$$

#### **Experimental physics**

Percentage uncertainty = 
$$\frac{\text{Estimated uncertainty} \times 100\%}{\text{Average value}}$$

#### Mathematics

$$\sin(90^{\circ} - \theta) = \cos \theta$$

$$ln(x^n) = n ln x$$

$$ln(e^{kx}) = kx$$

Equation of a straight line 
$$y = mx + c$$

Surface area cylinder = 
$$2\pi rh + 2\pi r^2$$

sphere = 
$$4\pi r^2$$

Volume cylinder = 
$$\pi r^2 h$$

sphere = 
$$\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$

For small angles: 
$$\sin \theta \approx \tan \theta \approx \theta$$
 (in radians)

$$\cos\theta \approx 1$$