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**5054/04**

**Paper 4 (Alternative to Practical), maximum mark 30**

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## 1 Accept answers from text or drawing

### Method 1. Turns, N>1, on rule

- (a) Chosen method is evident from diagram or text. B1
- (b) Uses two readings, accept zero if stated or on diagram, also accept  $\Delta x$ , and N, text or diagram B1
- (c) (i) Some method to prevent the wire moving, use plasticine or tight coils, on diagrams accept blobs to mean plasticine. B1
- (ii) How to avoid parallax/coils close/tight together/accept  $d = \Sigma d/N$  (as calc) here. B1
- (d) Text or equation  $d = \Delta x/N$  B1
- (e) Each turn has contributed/average of N turns, also accept " $d = \Sigma d/N$  is an average"/no wire will have a constant diameter. B1

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### Method 2. N Turns on the reel

- (a) Accept statement if  $\Delta x$  within end stops of reel and N mentioned. B1
- (b) Even if method 2(a) not awarded; Uses two readings, accept zero if stated or on diagram, also accept  $\Delta x$ , and N, text or diagram B1
- (c) (i) Some method to prevent the wire moving, use plasticine or tight coils, on diagrams accept blobs to mean plasticine. B1
- (ii) How to avoid parallax/coils close/tight together/accept  $d = \Sigma d/N$  (as calc) here/rule close to reel B1
- (d) Text or equation  $d = \Delta x/N$  B1
- (e) Each turn has contributed/average of N turns, also accept " $d = \Sigma d/N$  is an average"/no wire will have a constant diameter. B1

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### Method 3. Misreading of Question, Measurement of diameter of the reel by using a loop of wire.

- (a) Length of "loop" of wire identified/or loop "remade" on bench/do not accept use of end stops B1
- (b) Length of loop measured B1
- (c) (i) Some method to prevent the wire moving, use plasticine B1
- (ii) How to avoid parallax/use a second loop or more B1
- (d) Uses  $d = c/\pi$  B1
- (e) Using two wires gives an average/no loop is a perfect circle. B1

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### Method 4. Using more than one piece. {Do not accept use of holes}

- (a) Several lengths of wire and rule mentioned B1
- (b) Some detail how rule is used to measure  $d$ , e.g. *wires place across rule etc.* B1
- (c) (i) How wires fixed B1
- (ii) How to avoid parallax when taking **one** reading. B1
- (d) Explains how  $d$  is obtained from **more** than one measurement. B1
- (e) Each piece of wire has contributed/say the method using wires and gives average. B1

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2. (a) Suitable table (boxes or space) for five sets of  $\theta$ ,  $l$ ,  $V$ ,  $R$  (or  $R=V/l$ ),  
*N.B.  $R = V/l$  therefore accept  $\theta, R$  and one other (i.e. 3 quantities).* B1  
Four labels, words or symbols. B1  
Correct units for the three quantities given in the table. B1  
**[3]**
- (b) Any two from:- wait for equilibrium/heat slowly/stir/place thermometer near  
R/reference to length of thermometer immersed/tap meters (having  
pointers)/tight connections/how to avoid parallax (equivalent to line of sight  
perpendicular to reading) leave thermometer in oil when reading the  
temperature. B2  
**[2]**
- (c) Oil has a high resistance between input leads/water low resistance/similar/  
oil less volatile/evaporation/experiment quicker/specific heat capacity low/bigger  
range of temperature. B1  
**[1]**  
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3. (a) 0, unit not required, B1  
ice melts at  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  (or reverse) accept statement even if subsequent reason  
is wrong/good comment re ice-water mix B1  
**[2]**
- (b) (i) Diagram showing....liquid level in test tube just within the thickness of  
ice B1
- (ii) 1. All liquid would be at  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ /cooling more effective B1  
2. Large enough to give accuracy/small enough not to take too long  
to cool/thermometer  $1/3^{\text{rd}}$  immersion B1  
**[3]**
- (c)  $14^{\circ}\text{C}$  (unit required) B1  
**[1]**  
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4. (a) Incident ray starting from O, and correct through points, neat and thin  
(arrows not required) B1  
Emergent ray, “ B1  
Angle,  $138^{\circ}$  or  $42^{\circ} \pm 1^{\circ}$  B1  
**[3]**
- (b) Correct ray through the prism, (ignore drawing qualities) (need not be  
labelled) B1
- (c) Position such that OE along the ray = 25 cm, using see-through graph  
paper, E is on the ray and on or “beyond” the second horizontal thick line. B1
- (d) “Correct” angle shown (normal and ray), accept numerical value of about  
 $35^{\circ}$ /accept correct label  $i$  B1  
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- 5 (a)** Axes: correct, non awkward uniform scale, may use true origin, scale cannot be double, axes labelled with units. B1
- Plotting: correct to nearest  $\frac{1}{2}$  small square (check any one but also penalise obvious miss plot), no plotting mark for awkward scales B1
- Line: good judgement re plots, smooth and does not meander through the points, thin neat line B1  
B1  
**[4]**
- (b)** 21 mm of scale between the labels/smallest amount of scale between labels/equiv B1  
**[1]**
- (c)** Magnification increases B1  
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