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**SECONDARY 4 EXPRESS / 5 NORMAL**  
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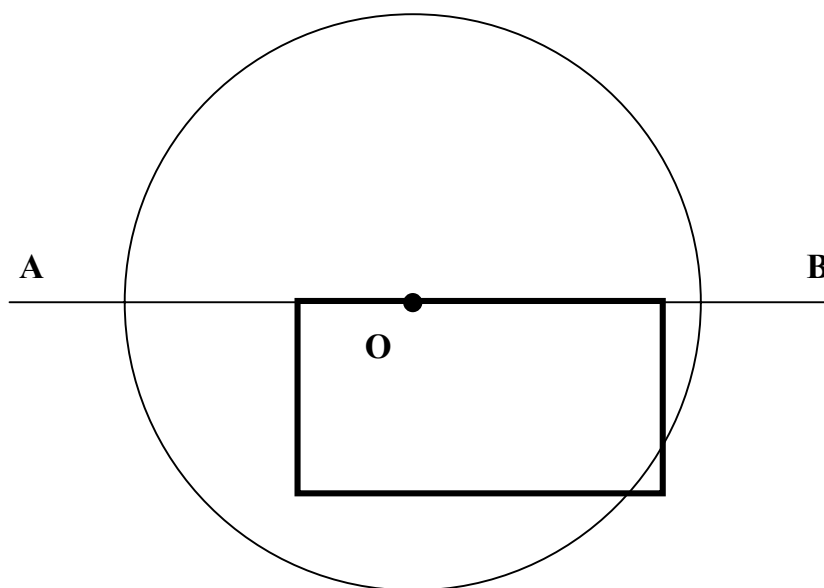
### QUESTION & ANSWER BOOKLET

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

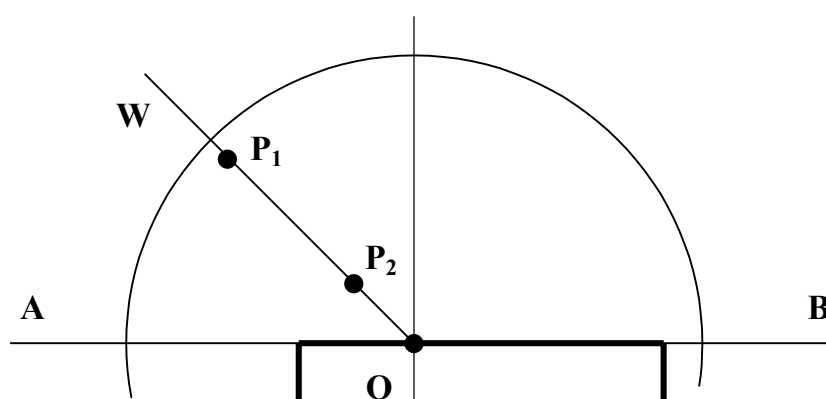
- 1 Fill in your name, index number and class in the space above.
- 2 Time allowed: 1 hour 30 mins. for both papers.
- 3 Show all workings and calculations in the spaces provided.
- 4 Calculators may be used.
- 5 This booklet consists of 6 numbered pages.

**1** *In this question you will be finding the refractive index of a block of glass.*

- (a) (i) Place page 6 of the answer booklet on top of the corkboard. (*The page may be removed from the booklet but must be reattached at the end of the practical.*)
- (ii) Place the glass block along the line **AB** as shown below and trace the outline of the block.



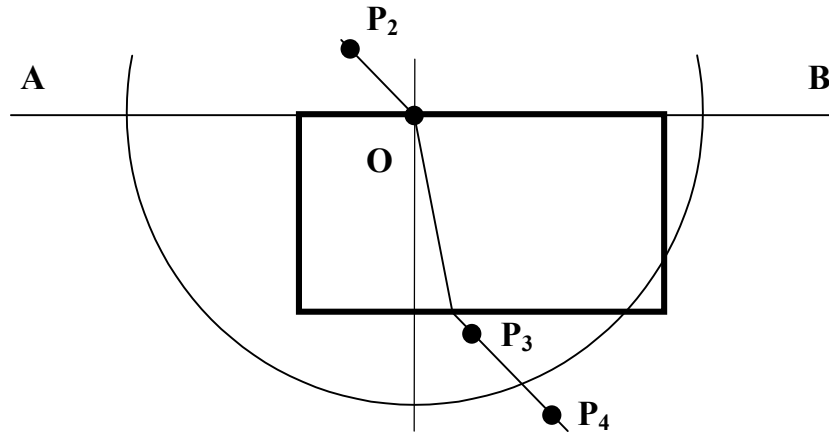
- (iii) Draw a normal through the midpoint **O** such that it cuts through the top and bottom of the circle. Label this line **CD**.
- (b) (i) Draw a line from **O** through a point **W** at an angle of about  $45^\circ$  to the normal. Label the point where the line cuts through the circle as **W**. Place two pins, **P<sub>1</sub>** and **P<sub>2</sub>**, on this line as shown.



Measure and record the angle of incidence the ray **WO** makes with the normal to the glass block.

Record of the angle of incidence, **i**: .....

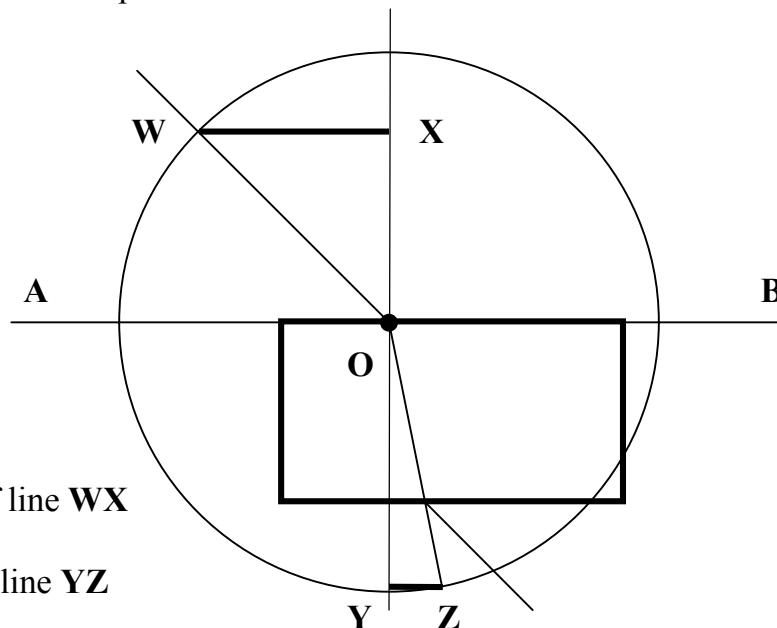
- (ii) By looking through the glass block from the side opposite of  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ , and using the other two pins,  $P_3$  and  $P_4$ , determine the path of the ray of light  $WO$  as it continues through the glass block.



Measure and record the angle of refraction,  $r$ , of the ray as it enters the glass block.

Record of angle of refraction,  $r$ : .....

- (iii) Extend the ray passing through the glass block until it reaches the circumference of the circle then draw the two lines,  $WX$  and  $YZ$ , both of which are parallel to the line  $AB$ .



$L_{WX}$  = Length of line  $WX$

$L_{YZ}$  = Length of line  $YZ$

Measure and record the lengths  $L_{WX}$  and  $L_{YZ}$ .

Record of length  $L_{WX}$ : .....

Record of length  $L_{YZ}$ : .....

(c) Repeat (b) for four more sets of readings of incident angles,  $i$ , between  $10^\circ$  and  $70^\circ$ . Record values of  $i$ ,  $r$ ,  $L_{WX}$  and  $L_{YZ}$  in the table below.

$i$ ( $^\circ$ )	$r$ ( $^\circ$ )	$L_{WX}$ (cm)	$L_{YZ}$ (cm)

- (d) (i) Plot a graph (*on page 5 of this booklet*) of  $L_{WX}$  against  $L_{YZ}$ .
- (ii) Find the gradient of the graph,  $G$ . This is equal to the refractive index of the glass,  $n$ .

Calculation of gradient of graph,  $G$ :

Record of gradient,  $G$ : .....

Value for refractive index of glass,  $n$ : .....

