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FIRST SEMESTER 2018/2019 SESSION EXAMINATION
COURSE TITLE: Basic Experimental Physics III
COURSE CODE: PHY 211

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question number 1 and any other one question.

1. In an experiment performed 5 times by a student to verify the length of his graph
TIME ALLOWED: 1hr

sheet, he recorded these observations.

OBSERVATIONS LENGTH

(CM)_

31.33

31.15:

1.20

51.02

31.20

(a). Determine the standard deviation

(6). Determine the standard error

CHence, what is the average paper length?

2(a). The following values were obtained to determine acceleration due to gravity by
using bifilar suspension for 20 Oscillations.

Lcm)_

40.0

50.0

S/n

Time t(S)

|Period T (S)T)

1D,0

T. .0

60.0

70.0

80.0

19.0

23.

i.) Copy and complete the table above

ii.) Plot a graph of T on the vertical axis and L on the horizontal axis

ii). Determine the slope of the graph and state two precautions taken during the
experiment

b. Define the term "couple" as it relates to rotational or oscillatory systems

3a. What do you understand by precision and accuracy?

b. Define each parameter in the straight line equation: $y = mx + c$