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Paper 3

3 hours 15 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Answer Question 1 and one other Question.
- Candidates are not allowed to use the Apparatus for the first fifteen minutes.
- Graph papers are provided.
- Mathematical Tables and non-programmable
- Scientific Electronic Calculators may be used.
- Details on the Question Paper should not be repeated in the answer, nor
 is the theory of the experiment required unless specifically asked for.
- Candidates should, however record any special precautions they have taken and any particular feature of their method of going about the Experiment.

1. In this experiment, you will determine the constant, K of the spiral spring provided and a property \propto of the metre rule labelled Q. (40 marks)

Part 1

- (a) Balance the metre rule, Q, on a knife-edge with its graduated face upwards and note the position, G, of balance.
- (b) Measure and record in metres the distance, X, of the knife edge from hole, H.
- (c) Pass an optical pin through the hole, H and then fix the pin into the rubber bung or cork provided.
- (d) Clamp the rubber bung or cork.
- (e) Attach a pointer, P1, to one end of the spring provided.
- (f) Suspend the spring from the rod of a clamp.
- (g) Tie a pointer, P2 firmly to the end, B, of the metre rule Q using a piece of thread.
- (h) Tie the Free end of the spring to the metre rule at the 99.0 cm mark as shown in Figure 1.
- (i) Adjust the position of the clamp from which the spring is suspended until the metre rule is horizontal.

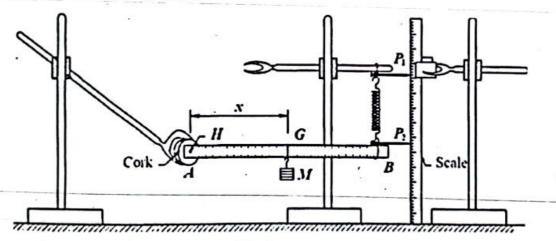


Fig. 1

- (j) Clamp a metre rule vertically besides P_1 and P_2 .
- (k) Read and record the initial positions P_0 and P_0^1 of pointers P_1 and P_2 , respectively on the scale.
- (1) Hang a mass M = 0.100 kg on metre rule Q, at a point G using a piece of thread.
- (m) Adjust the position of the clamp from which the spring is suspended until P₂ returns to its initial position.
- (n) Read and record the new position, P_1^1 of the spring in metres.
- (o) Find the extension, $e = (P_1^1 P_0)$ of the spring in metres.

- (p) Repeat procedures (i) to (o) for values of M = 0.200, 0.300, 0.400, 0.500, and 0.600 kg.
- (q) Tabulate your results.
- (r) Plot a graph of e against M.
- (s) Find the slope, S, of the graph.
- (t) Find the intercept C on the e axis.
- (u) Determine the force constant, K1, of the spring from the expression.

$$K_1 = \frac{xg}{0.98 \text{ S}}$$
, where $g = 9.81ms^{-2}$

(v) Determine the property α_1 of the metre rule Q from $\alpha_1 = \frac{c}{s}$.

PART II

- (a) Remove mass M
- (b) Adjust the position of the clamp from which the spring is suspended until the metre rule Q is horizontal.
- (c) Read and record the initial position of the pointers P_1 and P_2 as P_o and P_0^1
- (d) Suspend a mass M = 0.300 kg at a distance $y_1 = 30.0 \text{ cm}$ from hole H.
- (e) Adjust the position of the clamp from which the spring is suspended until the pointer P_2 returns to its initial position.
- (f) Read and record the new position, P_1^1 , of the pointer P_1 on the scale.
- (g) Find the extension $e_1 = (P_1^1 P_0)$ of the spring.
- (h) Repeat procedures (d) to (g) for value of $y_2 = 70.0$ cm and record the new extension e_2 .
- (i) Determine the constant, K_2 of the spring from the expression

$$K_2 = \frac{3(y_2 - y_1)}{(e_2 - e_1)}$$

(j) Find K from the expression

$$K = \frac{1}{2}(K_1 + K_2)$$

(k) Determine the property \propto_2 of the metre rule Q from the expression

$$\alpha_2 = \frac{0.98}{x} \left[\text{K } e_1 - 3y_1 \right]$$

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(m) State two sources of errors in determining K and α .

Dismantle your set up.

2. In this experiment, you will determine the properties f_a and γ_a of a lens labelled D by two methods. (40 marks)

Method I

- (a) Fix the lens labelled P in a lens holder.
- (b) Focus a distance object onto a screen using the lens.
- (c) Measure and record the distance, f, between the lens and the screen.
- (d) Fix lens P and lens D together using small pieces of clear sellotape at the edges to form a composite lens.
- (e) Fix the composite lens into a holder.
- (f) Focus a distant object with the side of lens P facing the distant object.
- (g) Measure and record the distance, F₁, between the composite lens and the screen.
- (h) Arrange the object, screen with wire gauze, torch bulb, composite lens and the plane mirror as shown in Figure 2.

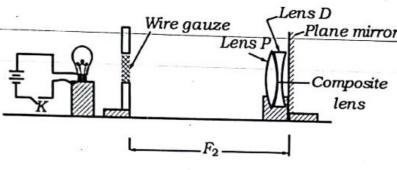


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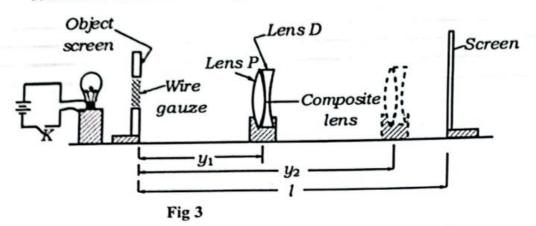
- (i) Close switch K.
- (j) Adjust the position of the Composite lens until a clear sharp image is formed on the screen.
- (k) Measure and record the distance, F₂, between the object screen and the plane mirror.
- (l) Open switch K.
- (m) Find the value of $F = \frac{F_1 + F_2}{2}$
- (n) Calculate the value of f'_d from the expression

$$f_{\mathbf{d}}' = \frac{Ff}{f - F}$$

Method II

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(a) Arrange the Composite lens between the screen and wire gauze and connect the circuit shown in figure 3.



- (b) Adjust the position of the screen such that it is at a distance of l = 105.0 cm from the object screen.
- (c) Close switch K.
- (d) Starting with the composite lens close to the wire gauze, move the lens towards the screen to obtain a clear image on the screen.
- (e) Measure and record distance, y1.
- (f) Move the lens closer to the screen until a clear sharp diminished image is formed on the screen.
- (g) Measure and record the distance y2.
- (h) Calculate the value of $d = y_2 y_1$
- (i) Open switch K
- (j) Repeat procedures (b) to (h) for values of l = 110.0, 115.0, 120.0, 125.0 and 130.0 cm.
- (k) Record your results in a suitable table including values of $\frac{d^2}{l}$
- (1) Plot a graph of l against $\frac{d^2}{l}$
- (m) Read and record the intercept, C on the l-axis.
- (n) Calculate the value f_d'' from the expression.

$$f_d^{\prime\prime} = \frac{fc}{4f - c}$$

(o) Find the value of the property f_d of lens D, from the expression;

$$f_d = \frac{f_d' + f_d''}{2}$$

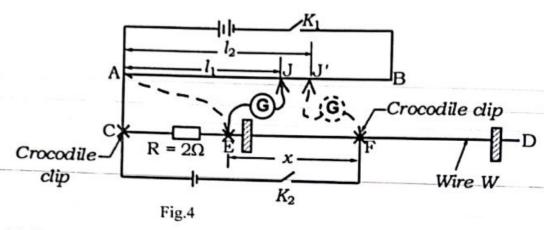
- (p) State two ways in which the accuracy of f_d can be improved.
- (q) Calculate the property γ_d of lens D, from $\gamma_d = \frac{1}{f_d}$
- (r) State the meaning of r_d and define it.

DISMANTLE THE SET-UP

 In this experiment, you will determine the constant λ, of the wire labelled W by two methods. (40 marks)

Method I

- (a) Measure and record the diameter d in metres of the wire W.
- (b) Starting with length, x = 0.200 m of wire W, connect the circuit as shown in figure 4.



- (c) Close switches K1 and K2
- (d) Move the sliding contact along the potentiometer slide wire AB, to locate a Point J for which the centre zero galvanometer shows no deflection.
- (e) Measure and record the balance length l_1 in metres.
- (f) Open switches K1 and K2
- (g) Repeat the procedure from (b) to (f) for values of x = 0.300, 0.400, 0.500, 0.600 and 0.700 m.
- (h) Disconnect A from C and connect it to E.
- (i) Disconnect the galvanometer from E, and connected it to F as shown by dotted lines (connections) in figure 4.
- (j) Starting with a length x = 0.200 m, close switches K_1 and K_2
- (k) Move the sliding contact along the potentiometer slide wire AB to locate a point J' for which the centre zero galvanometer G, shows no deflection.
- (1) Measure and record the balance length l2 in metres
- (m) Open switches K1 and K2.
- (n) Repeat procedures (j) to (m) for values of x = 0.300, 0.400, 0.500, 0.600 and 0.700 m,
- (o) Tabulate your results including values of $\frac{l_1}{l_2}$ and $\frac{1}{x}$

- (p) Plot a graph of $\frac{l_1}{l_2}$ against $\frac{1}{x}$
- (q) Find the slope S of the graph.
- (r) Calculate the property λ_1 , of the material of wire W from the expression.

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{\pi d^2}{2 S}$$

Method II

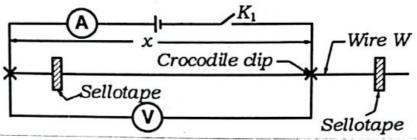


Fig.5

- (a) Connect the circuit shown in figure 5 with length $x = x_1 = 0.350$ m of wire W.
- (b) Close switch K_1
- (c) Read and record the ammeter reading I_1 , and voltmeter reading V_1 .
- (d) Open Switch K_1
- (e) Change the position of the crocodile clip so that the length $x = x_2 = 0.850$ m of wire W.
- (f) Read and record the ammeter reading l₂ and voltmeter reading V₂
- (h) Calculate the constant λ_2 of the material of wire W from the expression.

$$2\lambda_2 = \frac{\pi d^2}{4} \left[\frac{l_2 V_1 x_2 + l_1 V_2 x_1}{l_1 l_2 x_1 x_2} \right]$$

- (i) Calculate the constant λ of the material of wire W from the expression $2 \lambda = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$
- (j) State the meaning of the constant λ
- (k) Explain briefly two sources of errors that you may have encountered during the experiment.

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