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PHYSICS

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1 Measurement and observations

M1 Readings

Write the number of readings as a ringed number by the table.

6 + values of T and M gets $\frac{5}{5}$; 5 gets $\frac{4}{5}$; 4 gets $\frac{3}{5}$.

[5] (3)

Check a value for T^2 . Underline checked value. Tick if correct.
If incorrect value (-1). If help is given by supervisor then (-1).
Excessive help (-2). If help is given write
SR at the top front page.

M2 Repeated reading of T with an average calculated.

~~[1]~~

M3 Uncertainty in T (accept range 0.1s to 0.4s)

~~[1]~~

M4 Method of reduction of uncertainty use of fiducial marker;
use of second person
Practice several times before taking readings use ηT (repeated readings)

~~[1]~~

Do not allow vague answers such as use of computer or electronic times / light gates / video recorders

M5 Quality of Result (judge by the scatter of points)

[2]

Presentation of Results

R1 Column Headings:

Every column heading must contain a quantity and a unit. Ignore units in the body of the table.

[1]

R2 Consistency of raw readings
Apply to T only (3 significant figures)

[1]

R3 Significant figures in T^2 .

(Compare; T and T^2 .)

[1]

Same as, or 1 more

Graphical Work

G1 Axes: Axes must be labelled.

Sensible scale must be used.

Awkward scales (e.g. 3:10) not allowed.

Plotted points must occupy at least half the graph grid (i.e. 6 of 12 squares and 4 of 8 squares)

[1]

G2 Plotting of points. *Counting* Courting total.

All observations must be plotted.

Check one suspect plot. Circle this plot.

Allow errors of up to, and including half a small square

[1]

G3 Line of best fit (judged by scatter of points about the candidates's line) [1]

Only a drawn straight line through a linear trend is allowable for this mark.

At least 5 plots are needed for this mark to be awarded.

G4 Determination of gradient:

the hypotenuse of the Δ used must be greater than half the length of the drawn line.

[1]

Read off must be accurate to half a small square. N.B. (Δx or Δy to one small square)

Analysis of Results

A1 gradient = $\frac{4\pi^2}{K}$ [1]

A2 K = $\frac{4\pi^2}{\text{gradient}}$ and correct units (kg/s²) [1]

A3 Period (T) when M = 0.35kg [1]

Comment on validity
Improvement

2 Measurements and Observation

- M1 Measurements [5]
 M2 Correct value of I for $V = 0.7?$ [1]
 M3 Quality of results [1]

Presentation of Results

- R1 Column headings [1]
 R2 Consistency of raw readings [1]

Graphical work

- G1 Axes [1]
 G2 Plotting of points [1]
 G3 Line of best fit [1]
 G4 Quality of tangent [1]
 G5 Gradient of tangent at ($V = 0.7$) [1]

Analysis of Results

- A1 a.c. resistance = value of $\Delta V / \Delta I$ [1]
 d.c. resistance = value of V / I
 A2 Value of a.c. resistance lies in given range} [1]
 A3 Value of d.c. resistance lies in a given range} [1]
 A4 a.c. resistance $>$ d.c. resistance [1]
 A5 Non ohmic conductor, non-linear graph $V - I$ or [2]

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- A1 Diagram showing two trolleys on a tilted track (or two masses) [1]
- A2 Tilted track and trolley experiment to maintain constant velocity (given by tape) [1]
- A3 Measure velocity of trolleys before and after the collisions. (1st trolley stationary and 2nd trolley moving. Static friction > dynamic friction) [1]
- B1 Logical procedure: (two ticker tapes, threaded tapes, two trolleys in a straight line on the tilted track. 12 V supply and long leads). [1]
- B2 Measurement of velocity / How you would interpret velocity from ticker tapes. (Mark allowed if student uses metre rule and stop watch to calculate velocity, repeated times) [1]
- B3 Use of the energy conservation law.
- $$\frac{1}{2} M_1 V_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} M_2 V_2^2 = \frac{1}{2} M_1 U_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} M_2 U_2^2. \quad [1]$$
- B4 Keep tilt constant; mass constant; velocity can be varied several times. [1]
- C1 Any other good design features e.g.
- (1) use of a stroboscope
 - (2) use of (set square / spirit level etc.) to verify that the masses are in a straight line.
 - (3) good method of attaching masses to trolley
 - (4) very long track