

- 1 (a) Define the *ohm*.

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- (b) An experiment is performed to determine the resistivity  $\rho$  of the material of a wire. The average of the measurements, with their actual uncertainties, are shown in Fig. 1.1.

potential difference/V	current/A	diameter of wire/mm	length of wire/cm
$1.50 \pm 0.01$	$0.32 \pm 0.01$	$0.23 \pm 0.01$	$40.0 \pm 0.1$

Fig. 1.1

- (i) Calculate the value of  $\rho$ .

$\rho = \dots\dots\dots \Omega \text{ m}$  [4]

- (ii) Calculate the actual uncertainty in  $\rho$ .

actual uncertainty in  $\rho = \dots\dots\dots \Omega \text{ m}$  [2]

- (iii) State the value of  $\rho$  and its actual uncertainty to the appropriate number of significant figures.

$\rho = \dots\dots\dots \pm \dots\dots\dots \Omega \text{ m}$  [1]



- (c) The accepted value for  $\rho$  is  $4.4 \times 10^{-7} \Omega \text{ m}$ .  
Use your answer in (b)(iii) to distinguish between *accuracy* and *precision*.

accuracy .....

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precision .....

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[2]

