

- 1 (a) (i) Express the volt (V) in SI base units.

V = ..... [2]

- (ii) The unit for potential difference (p.d.) and electromotive force (e.m.f.) is the volt.

Explain the difference between p.d. and e.m.f. using energy considerations.

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- (b) A sound system for a concert is being designed. One part of the system consists of an amplifier and speaker.

The speaker dissipates energy as sound. Speakers are available with a range of resistances.

To study the electrical properties of the system, a cell with e.m.f 1.5 V and internal resistance  $25\ \Omega$  (representing the amplifier) is connected to a variable resistor (representing the speaker).

The resistance of the variable resistor can be changed from 0 to  $100\ \Omega$ .

- (i) Calculate the potential difference across the variable resistor when its resistance is  $100\ \Omega$ .

potential difference = ..... V [2]

- (ii) Calculate the current through the variable resistor when its resistance is  $100\ \Omega$ .

current = ..... A [2]





- (c) The resistance  $R$  of the variable resistor is altered. For each value of  $R$ , the potential difference  $V$  across the variable resistor is measured, the current  $I$  through the variable resistor is measured three times and the average current  $I_{\text{avg}}$  determined. Table 1.1 shows the data recorded.

$I_{\text{avg}}$  is the average of the three  $I$  measurements.

Table 1.1

$R/\Omega$	$V/V$	$I_1/\text{mA}$	$I_2/\text{mA}$	$I_3/\text{mA}$	$I_{\text{avg}}/\text{mA}$
5	0.25	51	49	50	50
10	0.43	45	41	43	43
20	0.67	33	33	32	33
30	0.82	26	27	28	27
40	0.92	23	23	23	23
50	1.00	18	19	23	
60	1.06	17	18	19	18
70	1.11	16	16	15	16
80	1.14	15	15	13	14

- (i) Complete Table 1.1. [1]

- (ii) Show that the power  $P$  dissipated in the variable resistor when its resistance is  $40\Omega$  is  $21\text{mW}$ . [2]

- (iii) The power dissipated in the variable resistor is  $P$ . Information from Table 1.1 is used to plot data points on a  $P$  against  $R$  grid. [3]

Use your answer from (c)(ii) to complete Fig. 1.1 and add a line of best fit.

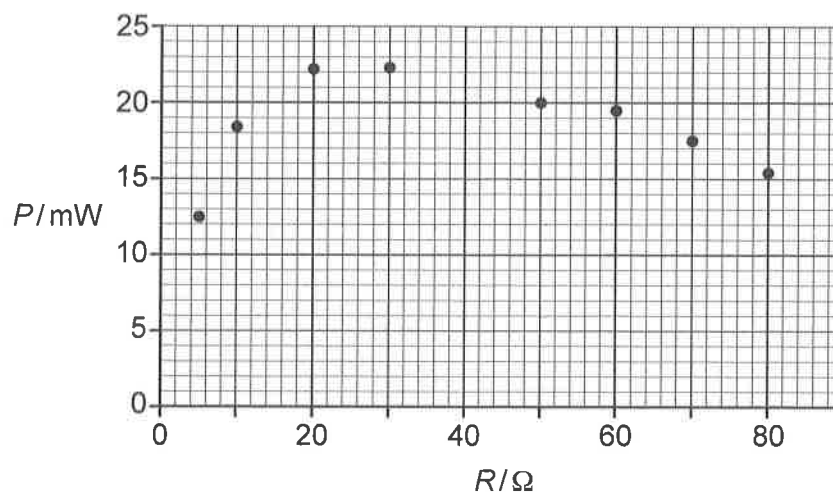


Fig. 1.1



- (iv) Use Fig. 1.1 to estimate the value of  $R$  at which  $P$  is a maximum and compare it with the internal resistance of the cell.

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- (d) The sound system designer requires the sound system to be as loud as possible.

Use the ideas from parts (b) and (c) to suggest how the sound system should be designed to make it as loud as possible.

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