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**1 hour 15 minutes**

Candidates answer on the Question Paper

Additional Materials:    As listed in the Confidential Instructions

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Write your Centre number, candidate number and name in the spaces at the top of the page.
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Answer **all** questions.

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1   In this experiment, you will investigate the principle of moments.

Carry out the following instructions referring to Fig. 1.1.
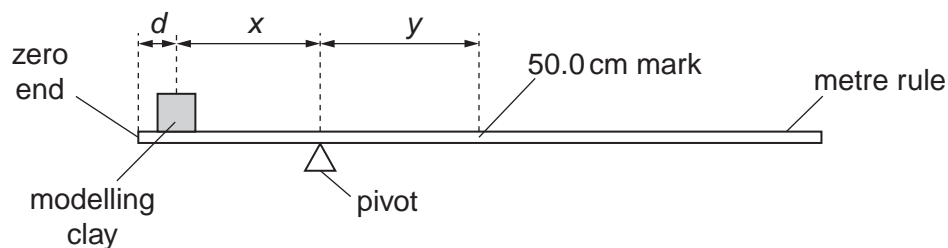


**Fig. 1.1**

You are provided with a piece of modelling clay.

**(a)** Mould the piece of modelling clay into a cube shape. Place the modelling clay on the rule so that its centre is at a distance $d = 10.0\,$cm from the zero end of the rule as shown in Fig. 1.1.

Adjust the position of the rule so that it is as near as possible to being balanced, with the 50.0 cm mark to the right of the pivot.

**(i)**   Measure the distance $x$ from the centre of the modelling clay to the pivot.

$x = $ ........................................................

**(ii)**   Measure the distance $y$ from the pivot to the 50.0 cm mark on the rule.

$y = $ ........................................................

**(iii)**   The mass $M$ of the metre rule is provided for you on a card. Record this value.

$M = $ ........................................................

**(iv)**   Calculate the mass $m_1$ of the piece of modelling clay using the equation

$$m_1 = \frac{My}{x}.$$

$m_1 = $ ........................................................

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**(b)** Divide the modelling clay into two pieces, with one piece approximately twice the size of the other piece.

   **(i)** Using the larger piece of modelling clay, of mass $m_2$, repeat the steps in **(a)**.

$x =$ ......................................................

$y =$ ......................................................

$m_2 =$ ......................................................

   **(ii)** Using the smaller piece of modelling clay, of mass $m_3$, repeat the steps in **(a)**.

$x =$ ......................................................

$y =$ ......................................................

$m_3 =$ ......................................................

   **(iii)** Calculate $m_2 + m_3$.

$m_2 + m_3 =$ ......................................................
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**(c)** Assuming that the experiment has been carried out with care, suggest two reasons why $m_2 + m_3$ may not be equal to $m_1$.

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**(d)** Explain briefly how you ensured that the centre of the cube of modelling clay was at the 10.0 cm mark on the metre rule. You may draw a diagram.

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2   In this experiment, you will investigate temperature changes when hot and cold water are mixed.

You are provided with a supply of hot water and a supply of cold (room temperature) water.

(a) (i)   Pour 100 cm$^3$ of hot water into the beaker labelled **A**. Measure and record the temperature $\theta_h$ of the water in beaker **A**.

$\theta_h$ = ........................................................

   (ii)   Measure and record the temperature $\theta_c$ of the cold water supplied.

$\theta_c$ = ........................................................

(b) (i)   Add 10 cm$^3$ of the cold water to the water in beaker **A**. Briefly stir the water in beaker **A**.

   (ii)   Measure and record in Table 2.1 the temperature $\theta_m$ of the water in beaker **A**. Also record the volume $V$ of water added.

  (iii)   As soon as possible repeat step **(b)(i)** five times. Each time add 10 cm$^3$ of cold water to the water already in beaker **A** until a total of 60 cm$^3$ has been added. Each time record in the table the temperature $\theta_m$ of the water in beaker **A** and the total volume $V$ of water added so far.
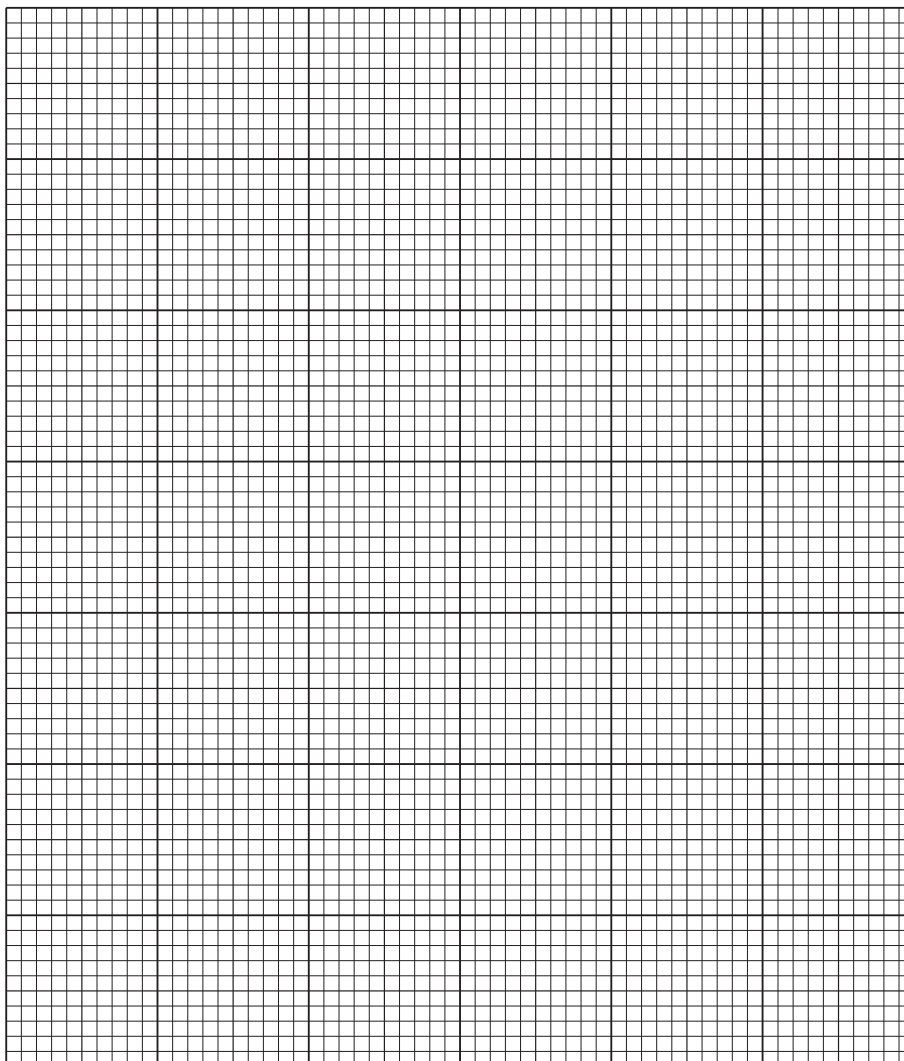
**Table 2.1**

| $V$/ cm$^3$ | $\theta_m$/°C |
|---|---|
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**(c)** Plot the graph of $\theta_m/°C$ (*y*-axis) against $V/cm^3$ (*x*-axis). Include on your graph the temperature $\theta_h$ at volume $V = 0$, as recorded in **(a)(i)**.

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**(d)** If this experiment were to be repeated in order to check the results, it would be important to control the conditions. Suggest two such conditions that should be controlled.

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**(e)** Suggest a practical precaution that will enable readings in this experiment to be taken as accurately as possible.

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**3** In this experiment, you will investigate the potential difference across resistors in a circuit.

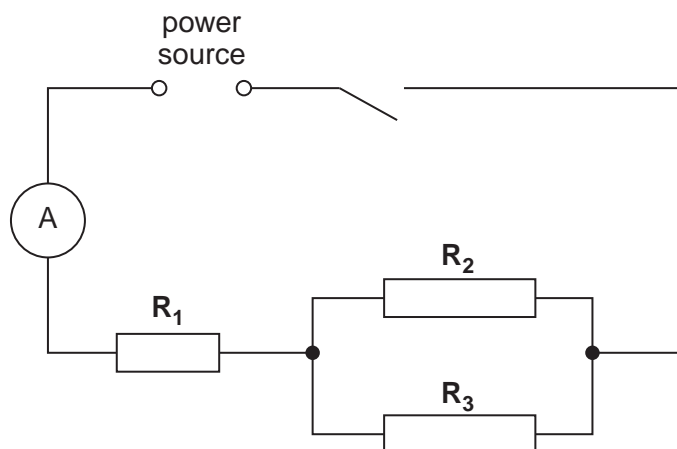Carry out the following instructions referring to Fig. 3.1. The circuit is set up for you.

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**Fig. 3.1**

**(a) (i)** Switch on. Use the voltmeter to measure the potential difference $V_A$ across resistor **R$_1$**.

$$V_A = \text{.......................................................}$$

**(ii)** Measure the potential difference $V_B$ across resistors **R$_2$** and **R$_3$**.

$$V_B = \text{.......................................................}$$

**(iii)** Measure the potential difference $V_C$ across the combination of the three resistors.

$$V_C = \text{.......................................................}$$
[4]

Switch off.

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**(b)** Theory suggests that $V_C = V_A + V_B$.

   **(i)** Calculate $V_A + V_B$.

$V_A + V_B = $ .....................................................

   **(ii)** State whether your experimental results support the theory and justify your statement by reference to your results.

   statement .........................................................................................................

   justification .........................................................................................................

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**(c) (i)** Switch on. Record the current *I* indicated on the ammeter.

$I = $ .....................................................

   Switch off.

   **(ii)** Calculate the resistance *R* of the combination of the three resistors using the equation $R = \dfrac{V_C}{I}$.

$R = $ ............................................... [2]

**(d)** On Fig. 3.1 draw in the voltmeter connected as required in **(a)(iii)** using the standard symbol for a voltmeter. [1]

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**4** In this experiment, you will investigate the reflection of light by a plane mirror.

Carry out the following instructions referring to Fig. 4.1.

**Fig. 4.1**

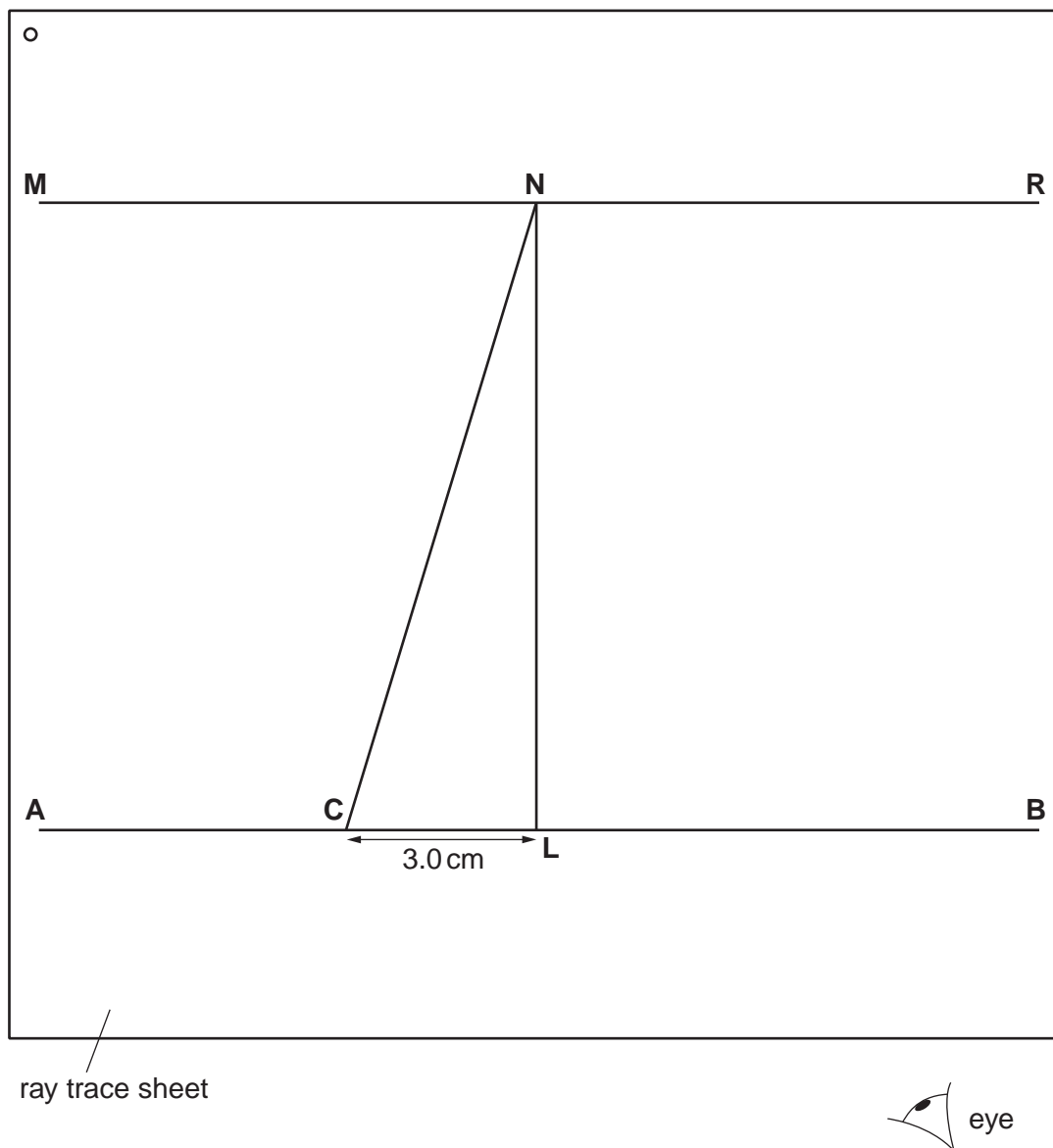**(a)** Draw a line 16 cm long near the top of the ray trace sheet. Label the line **MR**. Draw a normal to this line that passes through its centre. Label the point at which the normal crosses **MR** with the letter **N**.

**(b)** Draw a line 16 cm long parallel to and 10 cm below the line **MR**. Label this line **AB**. Label the point at which the normal crosses this line with the letter **L**.

**(c)** Place the mirror, with its reflecting face vertical, on the line **MR**. The mirror has a line drawn on it. One end of this line must be at point **N**.

**(d)** Place a pin $P_1$ on line **AB** at a point 3.0 cm to the left of the normal. Label this point **C**.

**(e)** View the line on the mirror and the image of pin $P_1$ from the direction indicated by the eye in Fig. 4.1. Place two pins $P_2$ and $P_3$ some distance apart so that the image of $P_1$, the line on the mirror, and pins $P_2$ and $P_3$, all appear exactly one behind the other. Label the positions of $P_2$ and $P_3$.

**(f)** Remove the pins and the mirror and draw in the line joining the positions of $P_2$ and $P_3$. Continue the line until it meets the normal. Draw in the line joining point **C** and point **N**.

**(g)** Measure, and record in Table 4.1, the angle of incidence $i$ between the normal and the line **CN**. Measure, and record in the table, the angle of reflection $r$ between the normal and the line passing through $P_2$ and $P_3$.

**(h)** Repeat the steps **(d)** – **(g)** using a position of $P_1$ 5.0 cm from the normal.

**Table 4.1**

| $i/°$ | $r/°$ |
|---|---|
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**(i)** In spite of carrying out this experiment with reasonable care, it is possible that the values of the angle of reflection $r$ will not be exactly the same as the values obtained from theory. Suggest two possible causes of this inaccuracy.

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