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### **0625 PHYSICS**

**0625/63**

Paper 6 (Alternative to Practical), maximum raw mark 40

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- 1 (a)  $m = 180.2(0)$  and unit (g) [1]  
 $V_1$  value =  $m$  [1]  
unit cm<sup>3</sup> c.a.o. [1]
- (b)  $V_2 = 170$  c.a.o. [1]
- (c)  $d_1 = 7.35$  to  $7.4$ ,  $d_2 = 5.0$  to  $5.1$ ,  $h = 7.9$  [1]  
 $D = 6.2$  to  $6.3$  allow e.c.f. [1]  
 $V_3 = 239$  to  $246$  and 2 or 3 significant figures only allow e.c.f. [1]
- (d) method 2 – one from:  
some water left in cup/spilt  
measuring cylinder not read at eye level/perpendicularly/bottom of meniscus  
parallax explained [1]
- method 3 – one from:  
 $d_1$  not at liquid level  
 $d_1$  and  $d_2$  not inside diameters  
difficult to measure  $h$  (because of sloping side)  
 $h$  not measured at eye level/perpendicularly/parallax explained [1]
- (e) mass of cup / zero reading on balance [1]
- [Total: 10]**
- 2 (a) **A** =  $87(^{\circ}\text{C})$  and **B** =  $88(^{\circ}\text{C})$  [1]
- (b) units correct (symbols or words) [1]  
times correct (0, 30, 60, 90, 120, 150, 180) [1]
- (c) statement matching temperature changes (accept 'no significant difference' if justified) [1]  
and justification matching statement (comparison of temperature changes) [1]  
including specific mention of temperature change in same time [1]
- (d) appropriate condition relating to comparison  
i.e. any one from:  
same size/thickness of beaker  
same volume of water  
same initial temperature  
same room temperature / appropriate environmental condition  
same time for cooling [1]

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- (e) any sensible alteration e.g.  
 put lid on/cover top of **A**  
 extra experiment without insulation or lid / take lid off **B** [1]  
 matching explanation e.g.  
 most thermal energy loss by convection or o.w.t.t.e.  
 have only changed one factor or o.w.t.t.e. [1]

**[Total: 8]**

- 3 (a) correct symbol connected in parallel [1]
- (b) (i) axes labelled, with units [1]  
 appropriate scales (plots occupying at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  grid) [1]  
 plots correct to  $\frac{1}{2}$  square [1]  
 best-fit line and thin, neat line, neat plots [1]
- (ii) triangle method seen on graph [1]  
 large triangle (at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  candidate's line) [1]
- (iii)  $R$  correct from  $M$  and in range 0.7 to 0.8 [1]  
 2 or 3 significant figures and unit  $\Omega$  (symbol or word) [1]

**[Total: 9]**

- 4 (a) normal correct and pin separation at least 5 cm [1]
- (b)(c) both reflected lines in correct place (through  $P_3, P_4 / P_5, P_6$ ) and thin/neat [1]  
 $\theta = 40^\circ$  within  $1^\circ$  [1]  
 $\theta = 62^\circ$  within  $1^\circ$  [1]
- (d) definite statement matching results (expect 'Yes' but allow e.c.f. if difference  $>10\%$ )  
and justification matching statement  
 (expect 'within the range of experimental accuracy' or o.w.t.t.e.) [1]  
 values from results shown/used (correctly w.r.t statement) [1]
- (e) any two suitable precautions:  
 thin lines / fine pencil  
 view protractor perpendicularly/parallax explained  
 lines through centre of pin holes  
 pins well separated  
 pins vertical/not bent/viewed at base  
 place mirror so that reflecting surface is on line o.w.t.t.e. [2]

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- 5 (a) neat, clear table with column headings and correct units [1]  
 results arranged in order [1]
- (b) (i)  $40^\circ$  [1]
- (ii) plot a line graph [1]  
 reading will clearly not lie on line [1]  
 allow suggestion of appropriate mathematical treatment

**[Total: 5]**