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for the guidance of teachers**

**0625 PHYSICS**

**0625/61**

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

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- 1 (a) graph:
- axes: the right way round, labelled x and y with unit cm
- scale: both 10 small squares = 2 cm  
(either or both 20 small squares = 5 cm also acceptable)
- plots: all correct to  $\frac{1}{2}$  small square [1]
- line: well-judged, best-fit, straight, thin, continuous line [1]
- (b) correct triangle method using at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  candidate's line, with method clearly indicated on graph [1]  
 $G = 0.94 - 1.00$ , no ecf [1]
- (c)  $1.0/(\text{candidate's } G)$  calculation correct, 2 or 3 significant figures and unit N [1]
- (d) (i) (where rule) balances on pivot o.w.t.t.e. [1]
- (ii) take readings from 49.7 OR  
adjust rule by adding weight until it balances at 50.0 cm mark [1]
- [Total: 9]**
- 2 (a)  $\theta_c = 24$  [1]  
 $^{\circ}\text{C}$  [1]
- (b)  $\theta_{av} = 55$  ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) ecf from (a) [1]
- (c) any two from:  
stirring  
waiting for temperature (to stabilise)  
view thermometer at right angles o.w.t.t.e. [2]
- (d) heat loss (to surroundings) o.w.t.t.e. [1]
- (e) one from:  
lagging beakers o.w.t.t.e.  
use of lid  
swifter transfer of water [1]

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- (f) one from:  
 amount of stirring o.w.t.t.e.  
 hot water temperature  
 cold water temperature  
 room temperature o.w.t.t.e.  
 transfer time [1]

[Total: 8]

- 3 (a) (i) 0.27 (A) [1]  
 (ii) expect YES (ecf: no) [1]  
 expect close enough / within limits of experimental accuracy o.w.t.t.e.  
 ecf: beyond limits of experimental accuracy o.w.t.t.e. [1]

- (b) vary/control current/voltage [1]

- (c) (i) voltmeter symbol correct and correctly connected across all three resistors [1]

- (ii) 2.2 (V) [1]

- (iii)  $R$  correctly evaluated  
 ecf from (ii) [1]  
 2 or 3 significant figures and unit  $\Omega$  [1]

[Total: 8]

- 4 (a) (i) normal at  $90^\circ$ , at centre of **MR** and crossing **MR** [1]  
 (ii) **AB** is a continuous line from **B**, 8 cm long [1]  
**AB** is at  $40^\circ$  to normal [1]

- (b) (i) continuous, thin line that reaches normal and at least touches  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  dots [1]

- (ii)  $r = 40 - 43^\circ$  (no ecf) [1]

- (c) any two from:  
 thickness of lines  
 thickness of protractor o.w.t.t.e. / accuracy of reading protractor  
 thickness of pins / pin holes [2]  
 accept thickness of mirror / glass in front of mirror

- (d) ticks in boxes 1, 3, 5 (1 mark each)  
 (if more than 3 ticks, -1 for each tick in a wrong box to minimum of 0) [3]

[Total: 10]

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- 5 (a) 200 m or more with unit
- (b) tape measure, trundle wheel or gps device
- (c) correct working seen [1]  
345.67 (accept 345.66, 345, 346, 350) [1]
- (d) (No), readings (time or distance) too inaccurate [1]

[Total: 5]