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**0625 PHYSICS**

**0625/62**

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

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- 1 (a) *a* and *b* correct 2.3cm, 2.1cm
- (b) (i) and (ii) *x* and *y* correct (10*a* and 10*b*)/(23cm, 21cm)
- (iii) *m* correct arithmetic, in g (110/109.5(2)(g)) [1]
- (c) (i) and (ii) at least two values given for *w* and *t* [1]  
more than two values given for *w* or *t* [1]  
correct values for *w* and *t* (2.75 – 2.85cm, 0.4cm) [1]
- (iii) *V* calculation correct (110 – 114(cm<sup>3</sup>)) or ecf [1]
- (iv) density to 2 or 3 significant figures (0.960 – 1.00) or ecf [1]  
unit g/cm<sup>3</sup> [1]
- (d) centre of mass at 50cm mark/midpoint/middle (wtte) [1]

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- 2 (a) *t* in s,  $\theta$  in °C seen in BOTH [1]  
(symbols or words (sec allowed but NOT degrees/centigrade))
- (b) 19 (°C) [1]
- (c) rate of heating greater (wtte) (can be included as part of justification) [1]  
comparison given of changes in temperature with correct numbers [1]
- (d) any two from:  
same (starting) temperature (wtte)  
constant room temperature/draughts (wtte)/environment/place  
carry out in same time intervals/duration/allow 'time' alone  
same thermometer (wtte)
- NOT volume of water/location of thermometer/beaker/'temperature' alone  
if > 2 responses, -1 for each additional incorrect (ignore 'neutrals') [2]

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- 3 (a) 2 – 2.1 (V)
- (b) (i)  $R$  in  $\Omega$ ,  $V$  in V (symbols or words) [1]
- (ii) 10.1 [1]
- (c) graph:  
 axes labelled and scales suitable (origin included) [1]  
 all plots correct to nearest  $\frac{1}{2}$  small square (must be visible) [2]  
 (-1 for first incorrect plot, -2 for second)  
 well judged best fit line/curve  
 (allow 3 good plots on line with one anomaly) [1]  
 thin (solid) line/neat plots to  $<1/2$  square [1]
- (d) method clearly shown on graph  
 (extension follows trend of line/curve, can be dotted)  
 (contradictory calculation negates mark) [1]  
 $V$  correct to  $\frac{1}{2}$  small square (ignore unit) expect 1.6 V approx [1]  
 (allow candidate value for a 'reasonable' attempt at a line  
 but not if clearly wrong trend or forced – e.g. to 2 or 0)

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- 4 (a) (i)  $m$  value correct 1.8/1.84 (2/3 sf) [1]  
 no unit [1]
- (ii) size = 2.9 – 3.1 cm high  
 3.9 – 4.1 base  
 (diagonal from RH top 48 – 52mm) [1]  
 rectangle shape(by eye) with wire (seen in any rotation) [1]  
 inverted [1]
- (b) placed on bench, related to vertical line on block  
 OR clamped immediately above lens  
 (either seen on diagram or in narrative) [1]
- (c) any two of:  
 use of darkened room/bright light (wtte)  
 moving lens back and forth to spot best image/move lens slowly  
 marking position of centre of lens on block  
 object & lens same height/all perpendicular to bench/all straight (parallax) if explained  
 (allow 'look perpendicularly' but NOT 'eye level')  
 repeats/take averages [2]

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- 5 (a) three from:  
mass/amount/volume/level of salt  
implication of salt particle size (e.g. 'same type of salt')  
mass/volume/amount/level of water  
size/shape of beaker  
amount/rate of stirring  
NOT ref to temperature/room temperature/type of thermometer [3]

- (b) three from:  
clock : time  
thermometer : temperature  
balance : mass (NOT weight)  
measuring cylinder : volume  
NOT unit without quantity  
(but ignore incorrect unit with correct quantity) [3]

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