

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL EXAMINATIONS
General Certificate of Education Advanced Level

PHYSICS

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Paper 5 Practical Test

May/June 2004

1 hour 30 minutes

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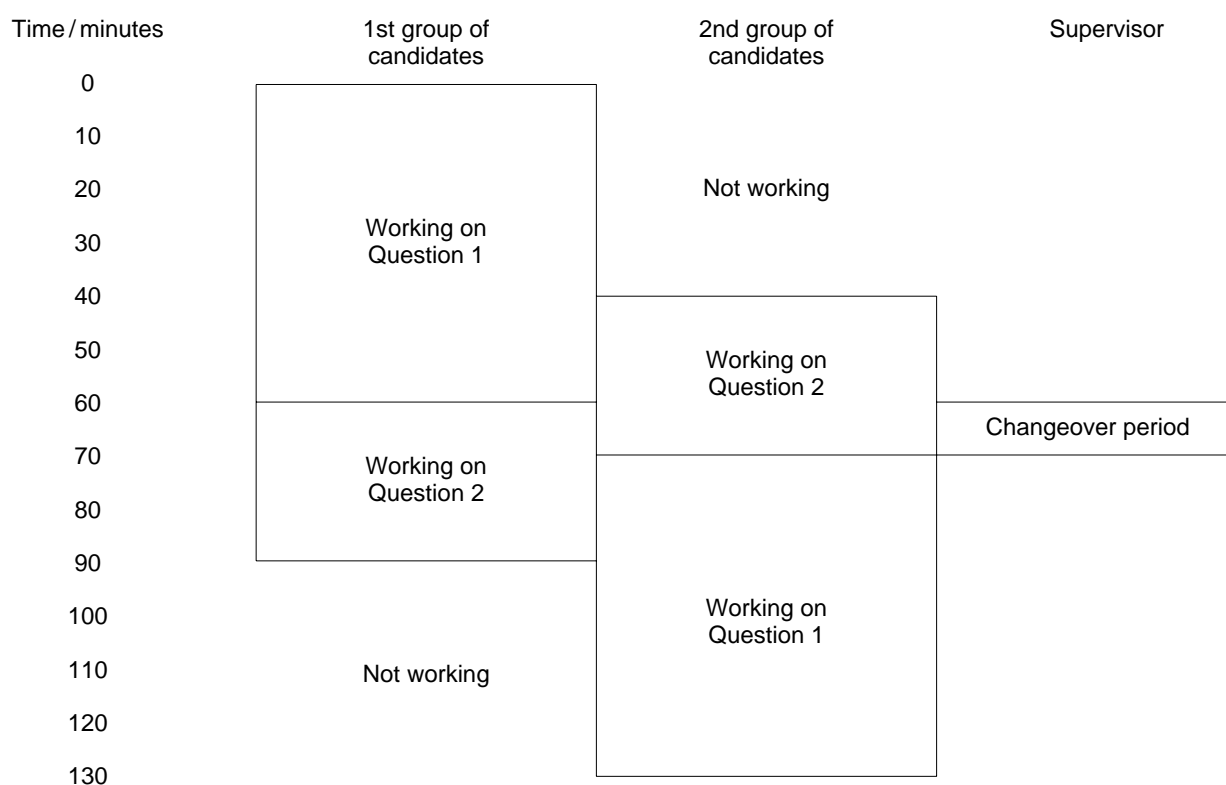
Instructions for preparing apparatus

These instructions detail the apparatus required for the experiment in this paper. A summary question that will be presented to the candidates is included, to allow the Physics teacher to test the apparatus appropriately. No access is permitted to the Question Paper in advance of the examination session.

Number of sets of apparatus

In addition to a few spare sets, there should ideally be one set of apparatus per candidate.

If this is not possible, then the minimum number of sets of apparatus to be provided should be sufficient for half the candidates to carry out the experiment simultaneously, plus a few spare sets. With this number of sets available, a staggered start to the examination will be required, which may be organised as shown in the diagram below.



Instructions for the Practical Physics Supervisor

Candidates should be informed that, if they find themselves in real difficulty, they may ask the Supervisor for practical assistance but that the extent of this assistance will be reported to the Examiner, who may make a deduction of marks.

The Supervisor should complete the report form on pages 7 and 8 and enclose it in the envelope containing the answers of the candidates. A note of any help given to, or any particular difficulties experienced by, a candidate should also be enclosed, especially if the Examiner would be unable to discover these from the written answers.

It is assumed that candidates will provide themselves with such standard items as a 30 cm rule, a pair of compasses, a 0° to 180° protractor, a set square and a calculator.

Squared paper should be available.

Whenever a stopwatch or stopclock is specified, candidates should be advised, in advance, that they may, if they wish, use quartz wristwatches with stopwatch facilities.

Question 1

Candidates will be required to investigate the oscillation of a metre rule.

Apparatus requirements (per set of apparatus unless otherwise specified)

Metre rule. The rule should have small holes drilled at 5 cm intervals along the length of the rule from the 5 cm mark to the 50 cm mark. The holes should be large enough for the head of an optical pin to pass through.

Two stands, bosses and clamps.

Pencil, to be used as a fiducial marker. The pencil should be mounted vertically using one of the stands, bosses and clamps.

Optical pin.

Cork. The optical pin should be pushed into the cork as shown in Fig. 1.1.

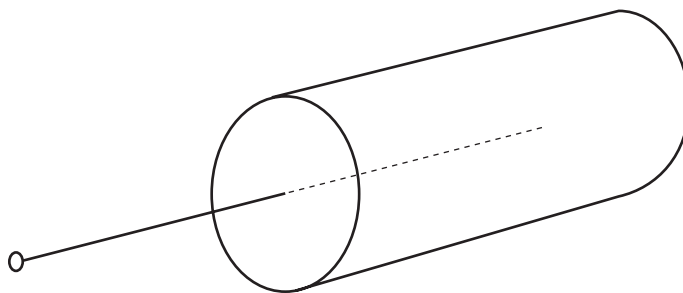


Fig. 1.1

Stopwatch reading to 0.1 s or better.

Note

If the apparatus is to be used by a second candidate, it should be dismantled at the end of the first candidate's experiment and the equipment laid out on the bench ready for the next candidate to use.

Information required by Examiners

None.

Question 2

Question 2 is a design exercise that does not require apparatus.

This form should be completed and sent to the Examiner with the scripts.

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General

The Supervisor is invited to give details, on the reverse of this form, of any difficulties experienced by particular candidates, giving names and index numbers. These should include reference to:

- (a) accidents to apparatus or materials;
- (b) any other information that is likely to assist the examiner, especially if this cannot be discovered in the scripts;
- (c) any help given to a candidate.

Other cases of individual hardship, e.g. illness, disability, should be reported direct to CIE on the normal 'Special Consideration Form'.

In cases of faulty apparatus (not arising from a candidate's mishandling) which prevent the required readings being taken, the following action is permissible.

The Invigilator – in consultation with the Physics teacher responsible for preparing the examination – may allow extra time to give the candidate a fair opportunity of performing the experiment as if the fault had not been present. The candidate should use a spare copy of the Question Paper when the fault has been rectified or when working with a second set of apparatus. The Invigilator is asked to provide CIE with details of such cases of time compensation (a copy being enclosed with the scripts), especially

- (i) the candidate's name and index number,
- (ii) the extra time allowed,
- (iii) notes on the nature of the fault, the action taken to rectify the difficulty and any other comments which would be helpful to the Examiner in making a fair assessment of the candidate's work during the practical examination.





Information required

A list, by name and index number, of candidates requiring help, with details of help provided.

Declaration (to be signed by the Principal)

The preparation of this practical examination has been carried out so as to maintain fully the security of the examination.

Signed

Centre Number

Name of Centre

