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Paper 5 Practical Test

For examination from 2025

SPECIMEN PAPER

2 hours

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: The materials and apparatus listed in the confidential instructions

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.
- You should show all your working and use appropriate units.

INFORMATION

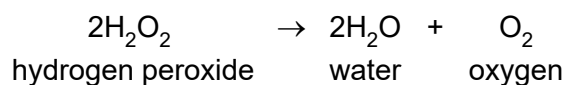
- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- Notes for use in qualitative analysis are provided in the question paper.

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- 1 You are going to investigate an enzyme-catalysed reaction using celery cells and hydrogen peroxide, H_2O_2 .

Hydrogen peroxide is broken down by catalase which is an enzyme found in celery cells. Oxygen gas is released during the reaction.



Read all the steps in the procedure but DO NOT CARRY THEM OUT until you have drawn a table for your results in the space provided in (a)(i).

You should use the safety equipment provided while you are carrying out the practical work.

Procedure

- Step 1 Use the syringe to put 4 cm^3 of hydrogen peroxide solution into the boiling tube.
- Step 2 Add a drop of detergent to the boiling tube and use the stirring rod to mix.
- Step 3 Cut a 2 cm length of the celery stick.
- Step 4 Cut this 2 cm length into approximately 2 mm slices and then cut these slices in half as shown in Fig. 1.1.

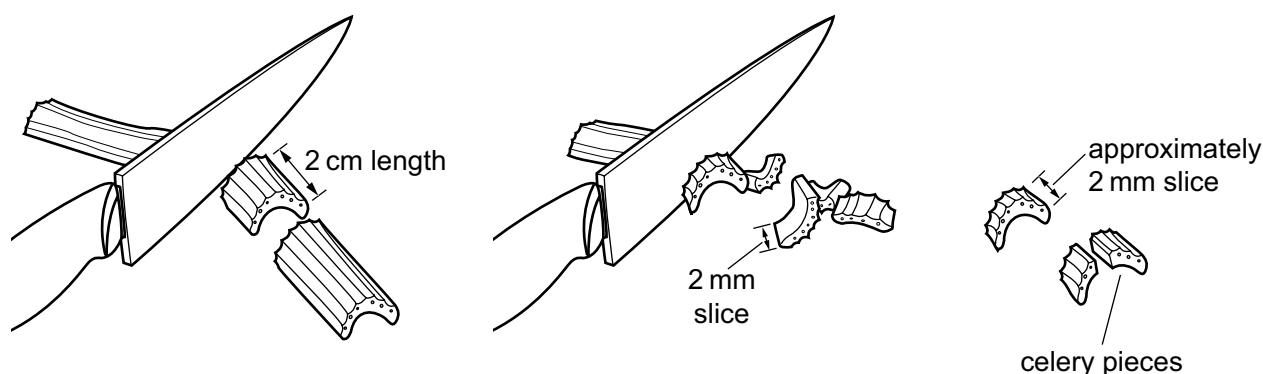


Fig. 1.1 (not to scale)

- Step 5 Add these pieces of celery to the hydrogen peroxide solution in the boiling tube.
- Step 6 Use the stirring rod to push the pieces of celery into the solution and immediately start the stop-watch.
- Step 7 Measure the total height of the foam in the boiling tube to the nearest 0.1 cm as shown in Fig. 1.2. Continue to measure the height every 2 minutes for 10 minutes.

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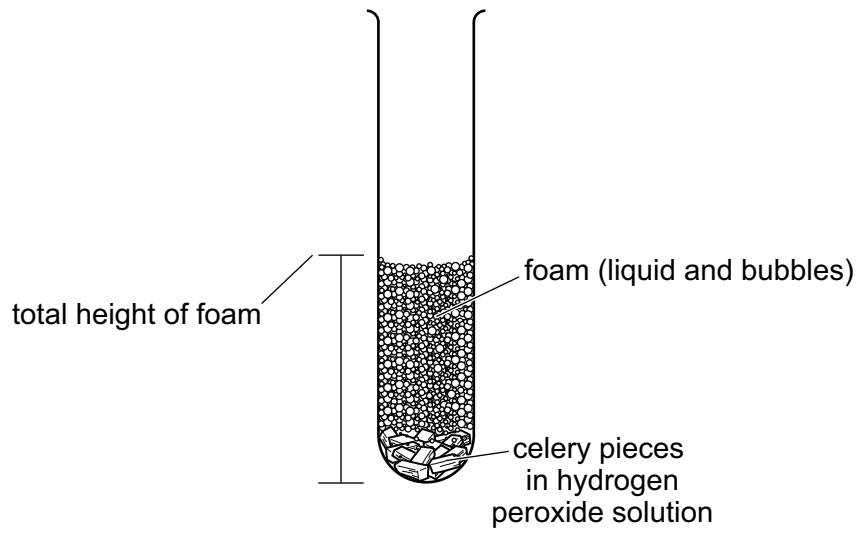


Fig. 1.2

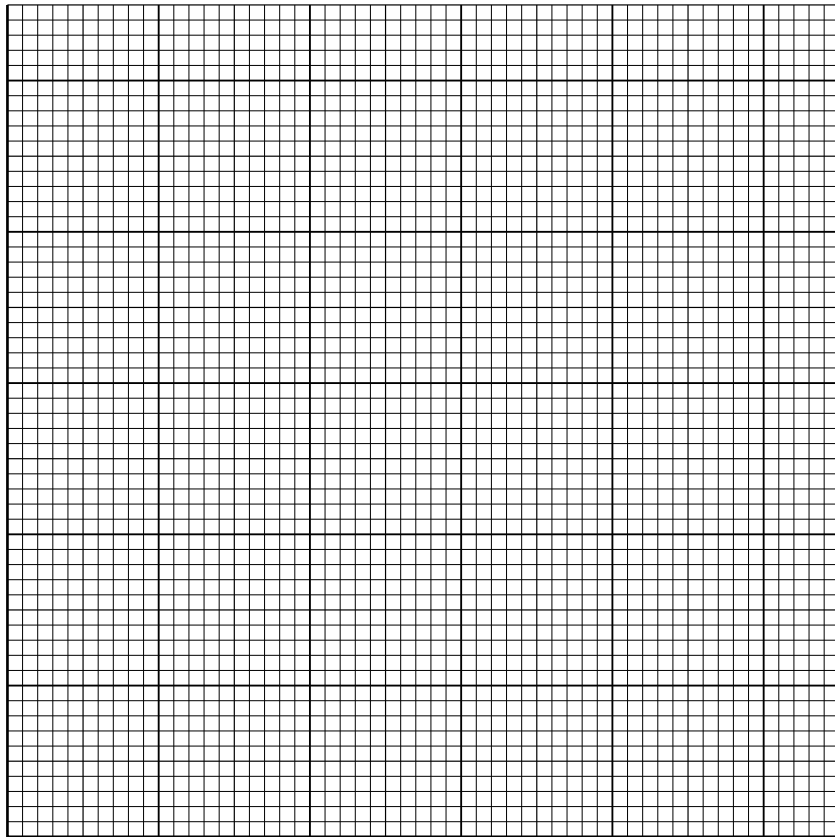
(a) (i) Draw a table to record your results in the space provided.

[2]

(ii) Record your results in the table in **(a)(i)**.

[3]

(b) (i) On the grid, plot a graph of total height of foam (vertical axis) against time.



[3]

(ii) Draw the best-fit curve.

[1]

(iii) Use your graph to determine the total height of the foam at 3 minutes.

height = cm [1]

(iv) Describe the relationship between the total height of the foam and the time taken.

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..... [1]

(c) Explain why repeating the procedure several times allows you to be more confident in your results.

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..... [1]

(d) Suggest why it was difficult to measure the height of the foam.

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..... [1]

[Total: 13]
[Turn over

2 You are going to test celery for its nutrient content.

You should use the safety equipment provided while you are carrying out the practical work.

Procedure

Step 1 Label three boiling tubes **A**, **B** and **C**.

Step 2 Cut a 1 cm length of the celery stick.

Step 3 Cut this 1 cm length into approximately 2 mm slices and then cut these slices in half as shown in Fig. 2.1.

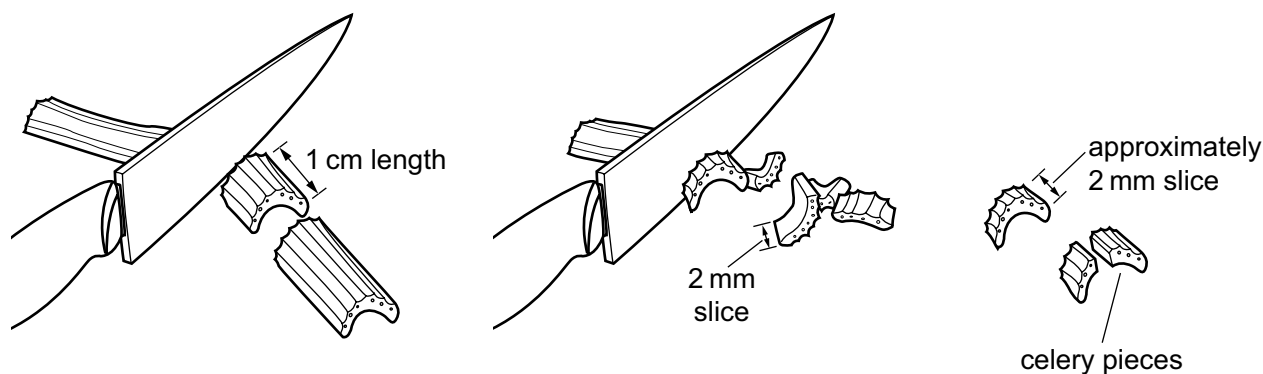


Fig. 2.1 (not to scale)

Step 4 Place the celery pieces in boiling tube **A**.

Step 5 Repeat Step 2 and Step 3 and place the celery pieces in boiling tube **B**.

Step 6 Repeat Step 2 and Step 3 and place the celery pieces in boiling tube **C**.

Step 7 Add approximately 2 cm depth of Benedict's solution to boiling tube **A** and place it in a hot water-bath for about 5 minutes.

Step 8 Add approximately 2 cm depth of biuret solution to boiling tube **B**.

Step 9 Add a few drops of iodine solution to boiling tube **C**.

Table 2.1

boiling tube	testing solution	nutrient being tested	final colour observed
A	Benedict's		
B	biuret		
C	iodine		

(a) (i) In Table 2.1, state the nutrient being tested in each boiling tube. [3]

(ii) In Table 2.1, state the final colour observed in each boiling tube. [3]

(b) State which of the nutrients are present in celery. Use the information in Table 2.1.

.....
 [1]

[Total: 7]

3 You are going to investigate the reaction of three metals with dilute hydrochloric acid.

(a) Procedure

- Use a measuring cylinder to add 10 cm^3 of dilute hydrochloric acid to a clean boiling tube.
- Record in Table 3.1 the initial temperature of the dilute hydrochloric acid in the boiling tube to the nearest $0.5\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.
- Add two spatulas of magnesium powder to the dilute hydrochloric acid in the boiling tube and start a stop-watch.
- Stir and measure the temperature of the mixture after one minute.
- Record this temperature in Table 3.1 to the nearest $0.5\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

Repeat the procedure using copper powder and then zinc powder instead of magnesium powder.

Table 3.1

metal powder	initial temperature of dilute hydrochloric acid / $^\circ\text{C}$	temperature of mixture at one minute / $^\circ\text{C}$	change in temperature / $^\circ\text{C}$	thermal energy released / J
magnesium				
copper				
zinc				

[4]

(b) Calculate the change in temperature for each metal.

Record these values in Table 3.1.

[1]

(c) Calculate the thermal energy released for each metal.

Use the equation shown.

$$\text{thermal energy released} = 42.2 \times \text{change in temperature}$$

Record these values to **three** significant figures in Table 3.1.

[2]

(d) Table 3.2 shows the order of reactivity of some metals.

Table 3.2

sodium	most reactive
magnesium	↓
aluminium	
zinc	
iron	
lead	
copper	least reactive

The procedure is repeated using aluminium powder instead of magnesium powder.

Suggest a value for the thermal energy released.

Explain your answer.

thermal energy released = J

explanation

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[2]

(e) Suggest **two** changes to the procedure that would give more confidence in the values for the thermal energy released by the metal powders.

change 1

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change 2

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[2]

(f) Draw a labelled diagram of the assembled apparatus used to separate the copper solid from the mixture at the end of the procedure in (a).

Label the residue and the filtrate.

[2]

[Total: 13]

4 You are going to identify the blue solution **H**.

(a) **Procedure**

- Add about 2 cm depth of solution **H** into each of five test-tubes.
- Add a splint to one test-tube and leave it to soak. Leave this solution and splint until **after** all the other tests are complete.
- Do the tests described in Table 4.1 to the other four separate samples of solution **H**. Record your observations in Table 4.1.
- Do the flame test using the splint that has been soaked in solution **H**. Record your observations in Table 4.1.

Table 4.1

test	observations
add a few drops of aqueous ammonia add excess aqueous ammonia	
add a few drops of aqueous sodium hydroxide add excess aqueous sodium hydroxide	
add 1 cm depth of dilute nitric acid followed by 10 drops of aqueous silver nitrate	
add 1 cm depth of dilute nitric acid followed by 1 cm depth of aqueous barium nitrate	
place the splint soaked in H into the top of a blue Bunsen burner flame and record the initial colour seen	

[6]

(b) Identify the **two** ions present in solution **H**.

cation

anion

[1]

[Total: 7]

- 5 You are going to use a pendulum to measure the acceleration of free fall g .

A pendulum has been set up in a clamp for you, as shown in Fig. 5.1.

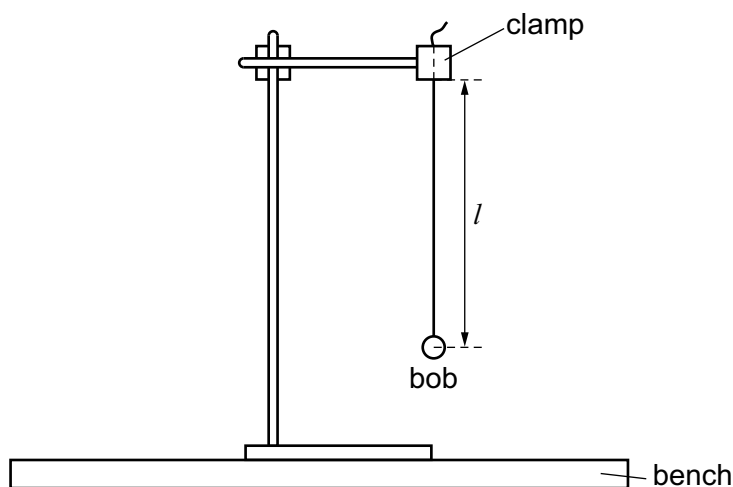


Fig. 5.1

The length l of the pendulum is the distance from the bottom of the clamp to the centre of the pendulum bob.

- (a) Measure the length l of the pendulum.

Record your answer in centimetres to the nearest 0.1 cm.

$l = \dots\dots\dots$ cm [1]

- (b) Fig. 5.2 shows one complete oscillation of the pendulum.

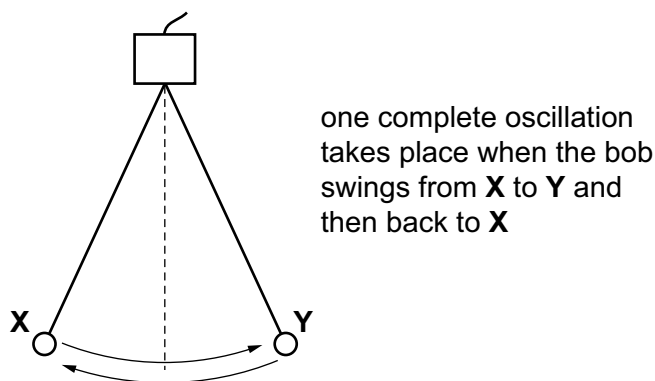


Fig. 5.2

- (i) Pull the bob back a small suitable distance to position X. Release it so that it swings backwards and forwards.

Measure the time t for 20 complete oscillations.

$t = \dots\dots\dots$ s [1]

(ii) Calculate the time T for **one** complete oscillation of the pendulum.

$$T = \dots\dots\dots \text{ s [1]}$$

(iii) Calculate T^2 .

$$T^2 = \dots\dots\dots \text{ s}^2 \text{ [1]}$$

(c) The acceleration of free fall g is given by the equation shown.

$$g = \frac{0.395l}{T^2}$$

Use your value of l in centimetres from (a) and your value of T^2 in s^2 from (b)(iii) to calculate a value g_1 for the acceleration of free fall.

$$g_1 = \dots\dots\dots \text{ m/s}^2 \text{ [1]}$$

(d) Adjust the string until the length l of the pendulum is 80.0 cm.

Repeat the procedure in (b)(i), (ii) and (iii).

$$t = \dots\dots\dots \text{ s}$$

$$T = \dots\dots\dots \text{ s}$$

$$T^2 = \dots\dots\dots \text{ s}^2 \text{ [2]}$$

(e) Use the equation shown in (c) with $l = 80.0$ cm to calculate a second value g_2 for the acceleration of free fall.

$$g_2 = \dots\dots\dots \text{ m/s}^2 \text{ [1]}$$

- (f) Calculate an average value for the acceleration of free fall g_{AV} using your answers to (c) and (e).

$g_{AV} = \dots\dots\dots \text{ m/s}^2$ [1]

- (g) Two quantities can be considered to be the same within the limits of experimental accuracy if their values are within 10% of each other.

Compare your value for g_{AV} in (f) with the expected value, $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$.

State whether your value agrees with the expected value of g within the limits of experimental error. Justify your answer with a calculation.

statement

justification

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.....

[2]

- (h) (i) State **one** precaution that you took while performing your experiment to get accurate readings.

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..... [1]

- (ii) Suggest why it is good experimental practice to use long lengths of pendulum when performing this experiment.

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..... [1]

[Total: 13]

- 6 Plan an investigation to find out whether the rate of cooling of hot water depends on the initial temperature of the water.

You are provided with:

- a beaker
- a measuring cylinder
- a supply of hot water.

You may suggest the use of any other common laboratory apparatus.

The student doing the experiment takes all the necessary safety precautions. You are **not** required to write about safety precautions.

You are **not** required to do this experiment.

In your plan, include:

- any other apparatus needed
- a brief description of the method, including what you will measure and how you will make sure your measurements are accurate
- the variables you will control
- a results table to record your measurements (you are **not** required to enter any readings in the table)
- how you will process your results to reach a conclusion.

You may include a labelled diagram in your answer.

NOTES FOR USE IN QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS

Tests for anions

<i>anion</i>	<i>test</i>	<i>test result</i>
carbonate, CO_3^{2-}	add dilute acid, then test for carbon dioxide gas	effervescence, carbon dioxide produced
chloride, Cl^- [in solution]	acidify with dilute nitric acid, then add aqueous silver nitrate	white ppt.
bromide, Br^- [in solution]	acidify with dilute nitric acid, then add aqueous silver nitrate	cream ppt.
iodide, I^- [in solution]	acidify with dilute nitric acid, then add aqueous silver nitrate	yellow ppt.
nitrate, NO_3^- [in solution]	add aqueous sodium hydroxide, then aluminium foil; warm carefully	ammonia produced
sulfate, SO_4^{2-} [in solution]	acidify with dilute nitric acid, then add aqueous barium nitrate	white ppt.

Tests for aqueous cations

<i>cation</i>	<i>effect of aqueous sodium hydroxide</i>	<i>effect of aqueous ammonia</i>
ammonium, NH_4^+	ammonia produced on warming	–
calcium, Ca^{2+}	white ppt., insoluble in excess	no ppt. or very slight white ppt.
copper(II), Cu^{2+}	light blue ppt., insoluble in excess	light blue ppt., soluble in excess, giving a dark blue solution
iron(II), Fe^{2+}	green ppt., insoluble in excess, ppt. turns brown near surface on standing	green ppt., insoluble in excess, ppt. turns brown near surface on standing
iron(III), Fe^{3+}	red-brown ppt., insoluble in excess	red-brown ppt., insoluble in excess
zinc, Zn^{2+}	white ppt., soluble in excess, giving a colourless solution	white ppt., soluble in excess, giving a colourless solution

Tests for gases

<i>gas</i>	<i>test and test result</i>
ammonia, NH_3	turns damp red litmus paper blue
carbon dioxide, CO_2	turns limewater milky
chlorine, Cl_2	bleaches damp litmus paper
hydrogen, H_2	'pops' with a lighted splint
oxygen, O_2	relights a glowing splint

Flame tests for metal ions

<i>metal ion</i>	<i>flame colour</i>
lithium, Li^+	red
sodium, Na^+	yellow
potassium, K^+	lilac
copper(II), Cu^{2+}	blue-green

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