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## PHYSICS

9702/52

## Paper 5 Planning, Analysis and Evaluation

February/March 2024

**1 hour 15 minutes**

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

## 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 30.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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- 1 Fig. 1.1 shows a thin cylindrical metal rod of length  $L$ .



**Fig. 1.1**

One end of the rod is hit with a hammer. A stationary sound wave is set up within the rod. The rod vibrates at its resonant frequency  $f$ .

A microphone placed at the other end of the rod detects the sound wave emitted from the rod. The frequency of the detected sound is also  $f$ .

A number of rods of different length are available.

It is suggested that  $f$  is related to  $L$  by the relationship

$$2fL^n = \sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}}$$

where  $\rho$  is the density of the metal, and  $E$  and  $n$  are constants.

Plan a laboratory experiment to test the relationship between  $f$  and  $L$ .

Draw a diagram showing the arrangement of your equipment.

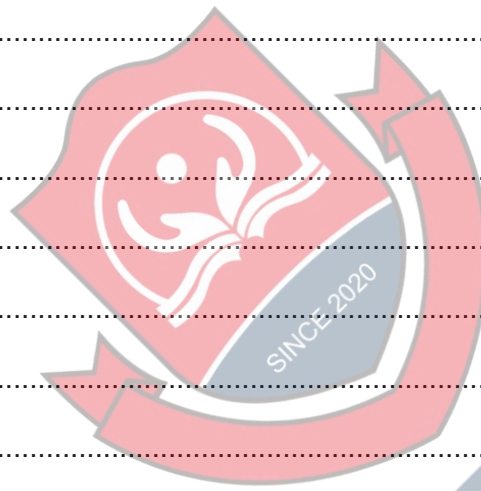
Explain how the results could be used to determine values for  $E$  and  $n$ .

In your plan you should include:

- the procedure to be followed
- the measurements to be taken
- the control of variables
- the analysis of the data
- any safety precautions to be taken.

**Diagram**

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2 A student investigates an electrical circuit.

A power supply with negligible internal resistance is connected to six resistors, each of resistance  $Z$ , and a resistor of resistance  $R$ , as shown in Fig. 2.1.

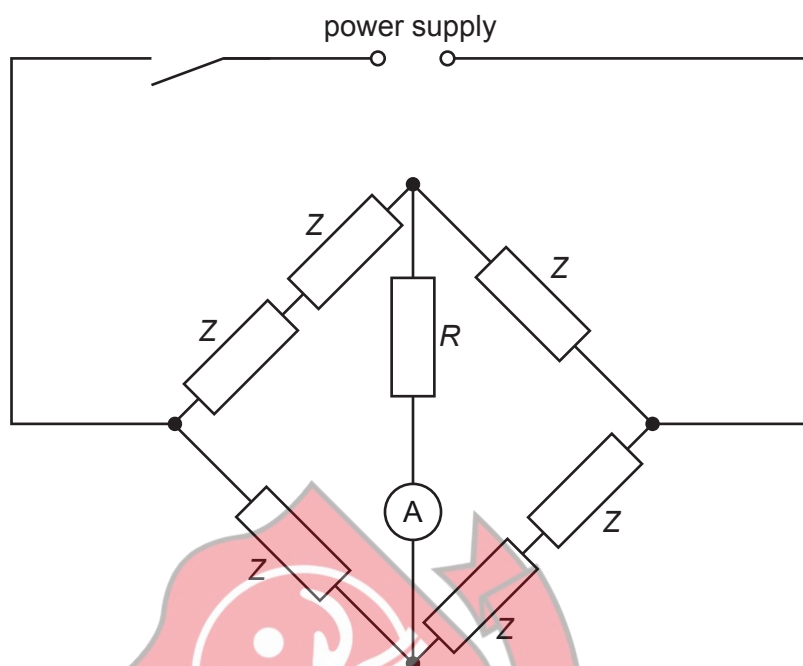


Fig. 2.1

The current measured by the ammeter is  $I$ .

The experiment is repeated for different values of  $R$ .

It is suggested that  $I$  and  $R$  are related by the equation

$$E = 3IR + 4IZ$$

where  $E$  is the electromotive force (e.m.f.) of the power supply.

(a) A graph is plotted of  $\frac{1}{I}$  on the  $y$ -axis against  $R$  on the  $x$ -axis.

Determine expressions for the gradient and  $y$ -intercept.

gradient = .....

$y$ -intercept = .....

[1]

(b) Values of  $R$  and  $I$  are given in Table 2.1.

Table 2.1

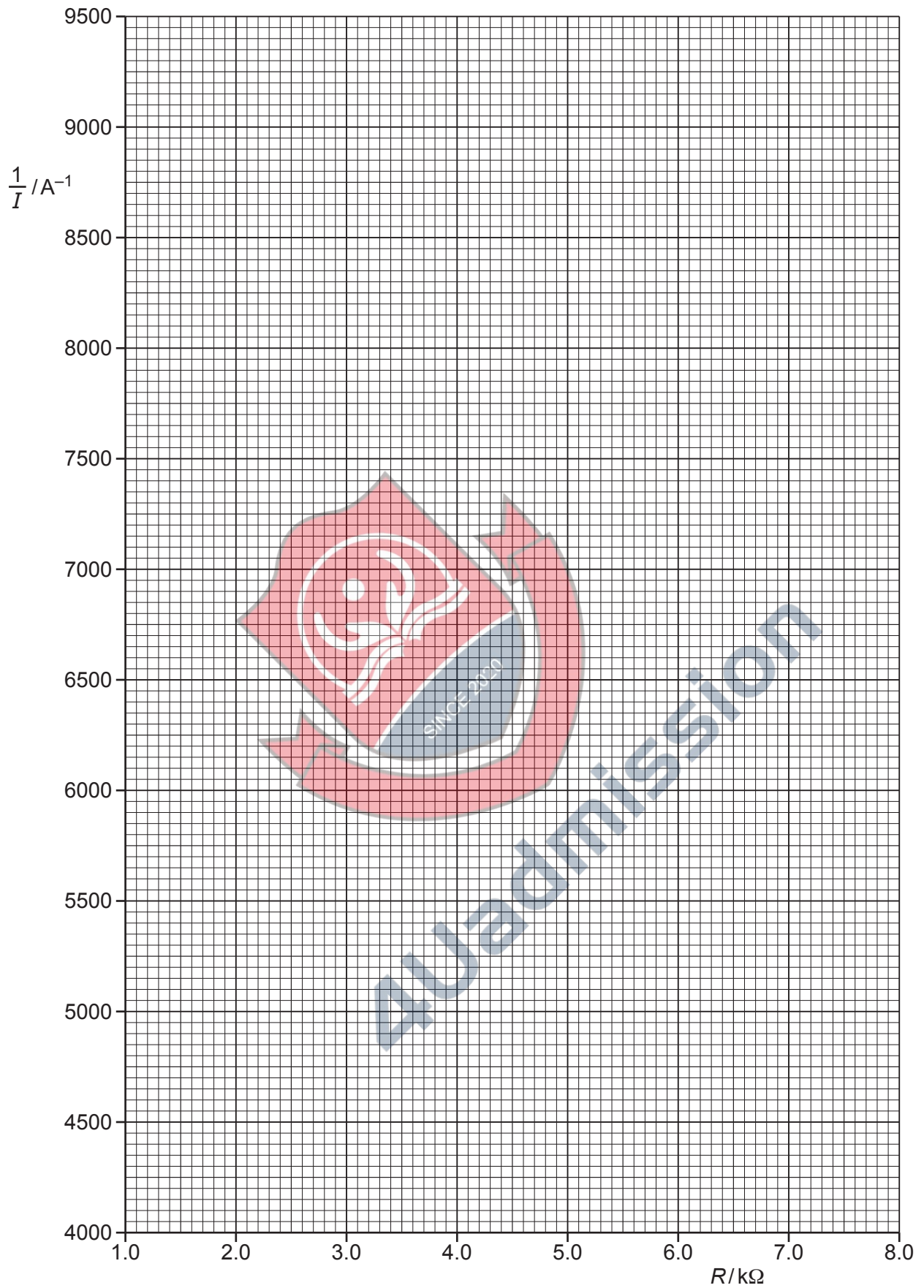
| $R/\text{k}\Omega$ | $I/\mu\text{A}$ | $\frac{1}{I}/\text{A}^{-1}$ |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| 1.25               | $225 \pm 5$     |                             |
| 2.55               | $185 \pm 5$     |                             |
| 3.90               | $160 \pm 5$     |                             |
| 5.25               | $140 \pm 5$     |                             |
| 6.55               | $125 \pm 5$     |                             |
| 7.80               | $115 \pm 5$     |                             |

Calculate and record values of  $\frac{1}{I}/\text{A}^{-1}$  in Table 2.1.

Include the absolute uncertainties in  $\frac{1}{I}$ . [2]

- (c) (i) Plot a graph of  $\frac{1}{I}/\text{A}^{-1}$  against  $R/\text{k}\Omega$ . Include error bars for  $\frac{1}{I}$ . [2]
- (ii) Draw the straight line of best fit and a worst acceptable straight line on your graph. Label both lines. [2]
- (iii) Determine the gradient of the line of best fit. Include the absolute uncertainty in your answer.

gradient = ..... [2]



- (iv) Determine the  $y$ -intercept of the line of best fit. Include the absolute uncertainty in your answer.

$y$ -intercept = ..... [2]

- (d) (i) Using your answers to (a), (c)(iii) and (c)(iv), determine the values of  $E$  and  $Z$ . Include appropriate units.

$E$  = .....

$Z$  = ..... [2]

- (ii) Determine the percentage uncertainty in  $Z$ .

percentage uncertainty in  $Z$  = ..... % [1]

- (e) The experiment is repeated. Determine the resistance  $R$  that gives a value of  $I$  of 0.10 mA.

$R$  = .....  $\Omega$  [1]

[Total: 15]