

Name of the Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Max. Marks : 24 Marks

Time : 24 Minutes

Mark Schemes

**Q1.**

- (a) Capacitor must not lose charge through the meter ✓ 1
- (b) Position on scale can be marked / easier to read quickly etc ✓ 1
- (c) Initial current =  $\frac{6}{100000} = 60.0 \mu\text{A}$  ✓  
 100  $\mu\text{A}$  or 200  $\mu\text{A}$  ✓ (250 probably gives too low a reading)  
 Give max 1 mark if 65  $\mu\text{A}$  (from 2.6) used and 100  $\mu\text{A}$  meter chosen 2
- (d) 0.05 V ✓ 1
- (e) Total charge =  $6.0 \times 680 \times 10^{-6}$  (C) (= 4.08 mC) ✓  
 Time =  $4.08 \times 10^{-3} / 60.0 \times 10^{-6} = 68$  s ✓  
 Hence 6 readings ✓ 3
- (f) Recognition that total charge =  $65 t \mu\text{C}$  and final pd =  $0.098 t$   
 so  $C = 65\mu / 0.098$  ✓  
 660  $\mu\text{F}$  ✓  
*Allow 663  $\mu\text{F}$*  2
- (g) (yes) because it could lie within 646 – 714 to be in tolerance ✓  
 OR  
 it is 97.5 % of quoted value which is within 5% ✓ 1
- (h) Suitable circuit drawn ✓  
 Charge C then discharge through R and record V or I at 5 or 10 s intervals ✓  
 Plot  $\ln V$  or  $\ln I$  versus time ✓

gradient is  $1 / RC$  ✓

OR

Suitable circuit drawn ✓

Charge  $C$  then discharge through  $R$  and record  $V$  or  $I$  at 5 or 10 s intervals ✓

Use  $V$  or  $I$  versus time data to deduce half-time to discharge ✓

$$1 / RC = \ln 2 / t_{1/2} \text{ quoted } \checkmark$$

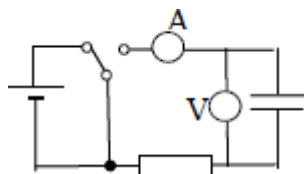
OR

Suitable circuit drawn ✓

Charge  $C$  then discharge through  $R$  and record  $V$  or  $I$  at 5 or 10 s intervals ✓

Plot  $V$  or  $I$  against  $t$  and find time  $T$  for  $V$  or  $I$  to fall to 0.37 of initial value ✓

$$T = CR \checkmark$$



Either  $A$  or  $V$  required

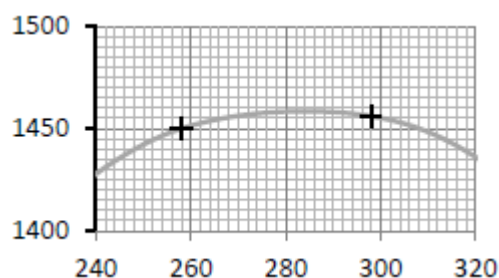
For 2<sup>nd</sup> mark, credit use of datalogger for recording  $V$  or  $I$ .

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## Q2.

- (a) 2 missing points plotted, each to nearest 1 mm (half a grid square); points marked + or x or ⊙; reject thick points, blobs or uncircled dots ✓



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- (b) continuous smooth best fit line through all 7 points to 1 mm ✓  
*allow mis-plotted points to be treated as anomalies; multiple lines or points of inflexion lose the mark*

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- (c) candidate's value from Figure 2  $\pm \frac{1}{2}$  grid square ✓  
*if multiple lines are drawn condone value if  $\pm \frac{1}{2}$  grid square of all lines*

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- (d) finding  $\theta_N$  from Figure 3 is easy since the result is read off where  $G = 0$  ✓  
or

finding  $\theta_N$  from Figure 2 is difficult since  $\theta$  has a range of values for which  $\varepsilon$  is a maximum  $_2✓$

*accept evidence that  $G = 0$  used shown on Figure 3; physics error about how Figure 3 used means no credit for any further valid comment about Figure 2*

*accept 'curve is shallow at peak' for  $_2✓$*

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- (e) method:  
correctly determines gradient of Figure 3 or uses gradient result with any point on line to determine (vertical) intercept  $_1✓$

result in range 9.8 to 10.9  $_2✓$

*gradient values in the range  $-0.040$  to  $-0.034$  for  $_1✓$  (minus sign essential)*

*for  $_1✓$  allow the substitution of at least one pair of correct values of  $G$  and  $\theta$  into  $G = \beta\theta + \alpha$  to obtain  $\alpha$  using simultaneous equations condone 2sf '10' for  $_2✓$*

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- (f) full scale pd =  $100 \times 1000 = 100000$  or  $10^5 \mu V$  ✓

*allow 100 mV or 0.1 V if  $\mu V$  deleted from answer line ✓*

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- (g) idea that resolution of the meter is not satisfactory  $_1✓$   
because the largest pd that will be measured is less than  $1500 \mu V$   
OR  
only uses 1.5% of the range  
OR

pd across meter at full-scale deflection  $\div$  divisions =  $\frac{10^5}{50} = 2000 \mu V$   
per division  $_2✓$

*condone use of 'sensitivity' or 'precision' for 'resolution'; ignore 'meter is not accurate'*

*allow 'hard to tell different readings apart'*

*for  $_2✓$  allow ce for incorrect 02.6*

*allow 'unable to measure to nearest microvolt'*

*allow 'resolution of scale should be  $1 \mu V$ '*

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