

Practice Question Set For A-Level
Subject : Physics
Paper-1 Topic : 3_ElectricCircuits

Name of the Student: _____

Max. Marks : 13 Marks

Time : 13 Minutes

Mark Schemes

Q1.

Question Number	Acceptable answers	Additional guidance				Mark
*	<p>This question assesses a student's ability to show a coherent and logically structured answer with linkages and fully-sustained reasoning.</p> <p>Marks are awarded for indicative content and for how the answer is structured and shows lines of reasoning.</p> <p>The following table shows how the marks should be awarded for indicative content.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Use of $R = \rho l/A$the wider section will be half the resistance of the narrow sectionThe p.d. will be divided into 0.5V across wide section and 1.0V across the narrow sectionThe potential will vary linearly along each resistance section (as R is proportional to l)This is because current is constant throughout lengthWhen the voltmeter is across the whole length it will read the p.d. across the cell/ 1.5VOr when the voltmeter terminals are together it will read 0 V					6
		IC points	IC mark	Max linkage mark available	Max final mark	
		6	4	2	6	
		5	3	2	5	
		4	3	1	4	
		3	2	1	3	
		2	2	0	2	
		1	1	0	1	
		0	0	0	0	

Q2.

Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of $R = V/I$ (1) • Use of $R = \rho l/A$ (1) • $\rho = 1.34 \times 10^{-6} \Omega\text{m}$ (1) 	<p>Example of calculation:</p> $R = 1.50 \text{ V}/4.11 \text{ A} = 0.365 \Omega$ $\rho = RA/l = 0.365 \Omega \times \pi \times (1.82 \times 10^{-3}/2)^2 \text{ m}^2/0.707 \text{ m}$ $\rho = 1.34 \times 10^{-6} \Omega\text{m}$	3
(b)	<p>An explanation that makes reference to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calculates percentage uncertainty in l as 0.3% and in d as 1% (1) • Calculates percentage uncertainty in resistivity by doubling that for d and adding that for l (1) • Calculates range of values for ρ (1) • Using these values the technician could not conclude whether the wire was Kanthal or Nichrome (1) 	<p>Example of calculation:</p> $(0.2/70.7) \times 100 \% = 0.3 \%$ $(0.02/1.82) \times 100 \% = 1 \%$ $\%U \text{ in } \rho = 2 \times 1\% + 0.3 \% = 2.3 \%$ $1.34 \times 10^{-8} \times 0.0023 = 0.003$ $1.37 \times 10^{-8} > \rho > 1.31 \times 10^{-8}$ <p>If answer to calculation is wrong, then credit can still be given for MP4 for comments consistent with the calculated value.</p> <p>If no calculation is completed then MP4 cannot be awarded.</p>	4