

MOI GIRLS SECONDARY SCHOOL - KAMANGU

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FORM 3 PHYSICS

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232/3 PAPER 3 (PRACTICAL)

TIME: 2½ HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE:

- a) Write your **name, school and Admission number** in the spaces provided at the top of this page
- b) Answer all questions in the spaces provided
- c) You are supposed to spend the first 15 minutes of the 2 ½ hours allowed for this paper reading the whole paper carefully before commencing your work.
- d) Marks are given for a clear record of the observations actually made, their suitability, accuracy and the used made of them.
- e) Candidates are advised to record their observations as soon as they are made.
- f) Non- programmable silent **electronic calculator** and **KNEC Mathematical tables** and electronic calculators may be used except where stated otherwise.

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Question 1	A1	Total
Maximum Score		20
Candidate's Score		

Question 2	2	Total
Maximum Score		20
Candidate's Score		

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Printed as indicated and no question(s) is missing.

Question One

You are provided with the following apparatus

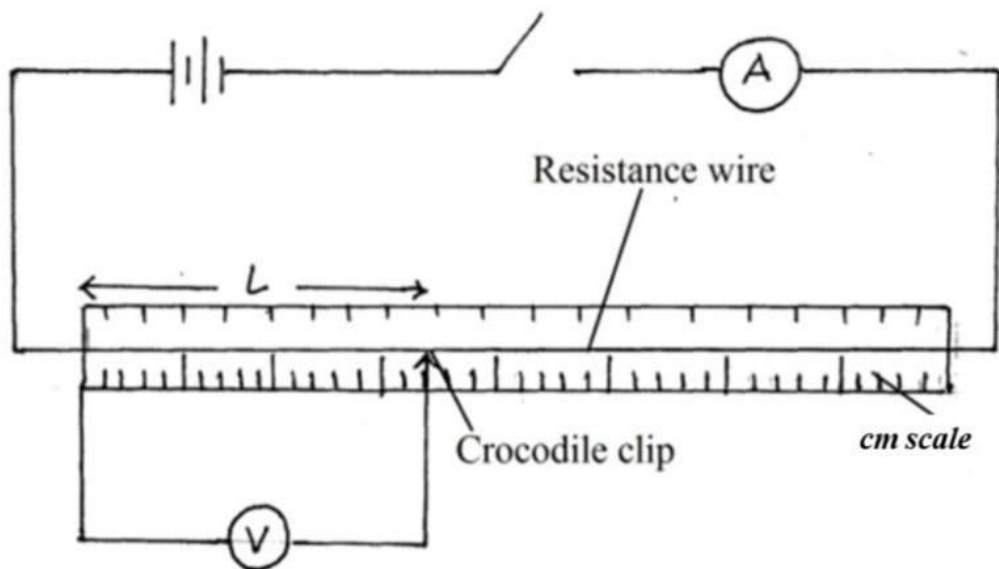
- Voltmeter
- Ammeter
- Resistant wire mounted on an **cm scale**
- A switch
- Seven connecting wires
- Two new dry cells and a cell holder
- Micrometre screw gauge

Proceed as follows

- (a) Measure the diameter **d**, of the mounted wire

d= _____ **mm** (1mark)

- (b) Set up the apparatus as in the circuit below



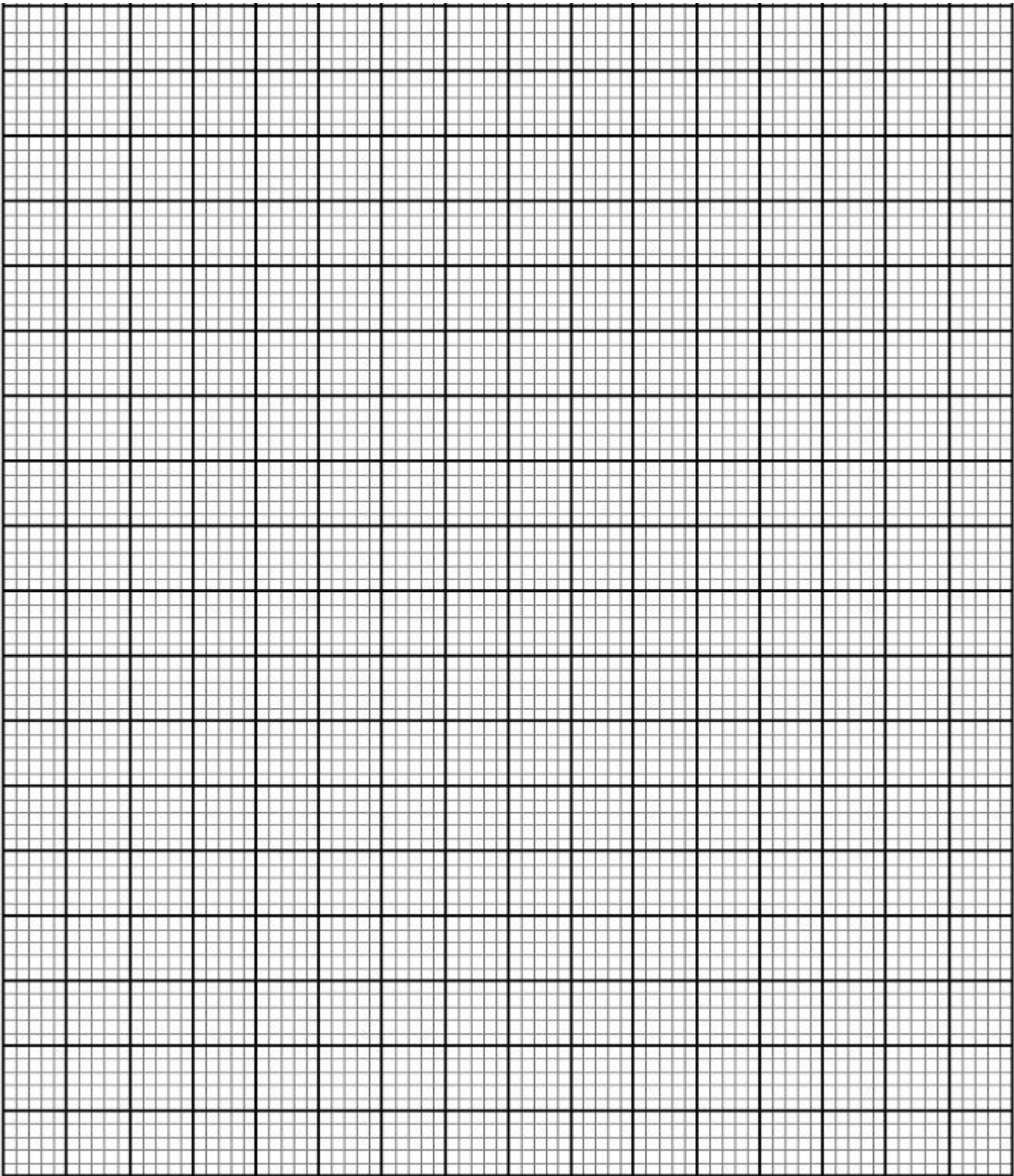
- (c) Close the switch and tap the mounted wire with the crocodile clip as shown in the circuit. Ensure both meters show positive deflection. Open the switch.
- (d) Tap the wire at **L=20cm**. Close the switch and read and record in the table provided the ammeter and voltmeter reading.

Repeat for other values of L shown in the table and complete the table (7marks)

L(cm)	20	30	40	50	60	80
L(m)						
V(V)						
I (A)						
$R = \frac{V}{I}$ (Ω)						

(e) (i) Plot the graph of **$R(\Omega)$** against **$L(m)$**

(5marks)



(ii) Determine the **slope** of the graph (2marks)

(iii) Given that $R = \frac{kL}{A}$ where **A** is the cross-sectional area of the wire in m^2 , determine the value of k . (4marks)

(iv) What is the significance of k

(1mark)

Question Two

Part A

You are provided with the following apparatus

- A glass prism
- A plain sheet of paper
- A soft board
- 4 optical pins
- 4 thumb pins

Proceed as follows

- (a) Place the plain sheet of paper on the soft board and fix it using the thumb pins provided.

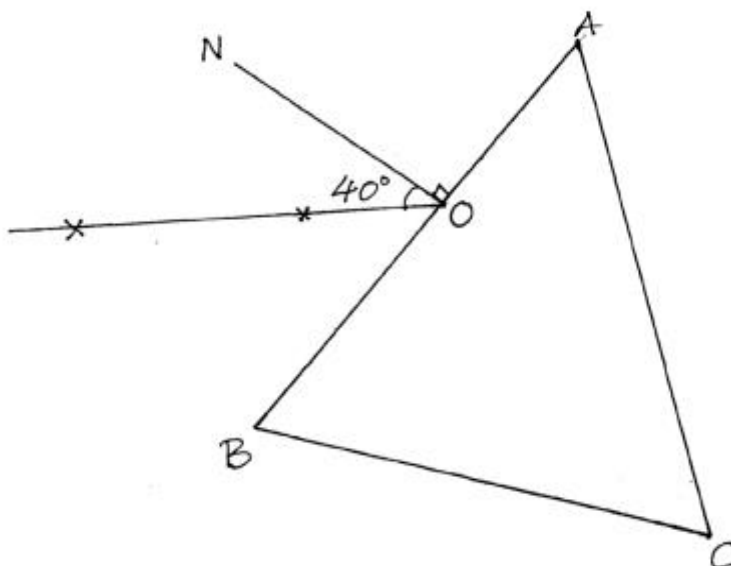
Place the prism on the plain paper and use a pencil to draw its outline. Remove the prism, extend the lines and label the vertices A, B and C.

- (b) Measure angle A

(1mark)

Angle A = _____

- (c) Mark a point O on side AB on the diagram and draw a normal line ON. Point O should be a third way along AB nearer A than B. Draw a line making an angle of 40° with the normal ON.

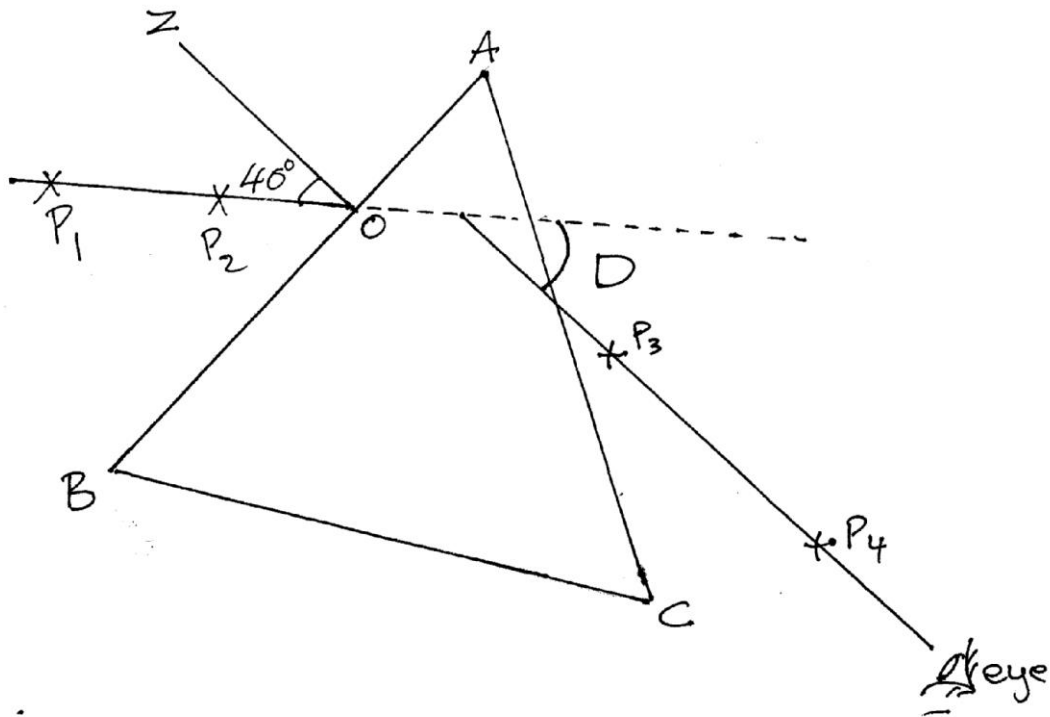


Replace the glass prism and place the object pins P_1 and P_2 along the line as shown in the diagram.

By viewing the images of P_1 and P_2 through side AC, fix two pins P_3 and P_4 so that they are in a straight line with the images of P_1 and P_2 .

Remove the prism and draw a line through the pin marks of P₃ and P₄ and extend it into the outline.

Extend the incident line of 40° so that the two lines intersect each other.



Measure the acute angle **D** between the two lines

(2marks)

Angle **D** _____

(e) Given that $P = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{A+D}{2}\right)}{\cos\left(90 - \frac{A}{2}\right)}$ determine quantity **P** (2marks)

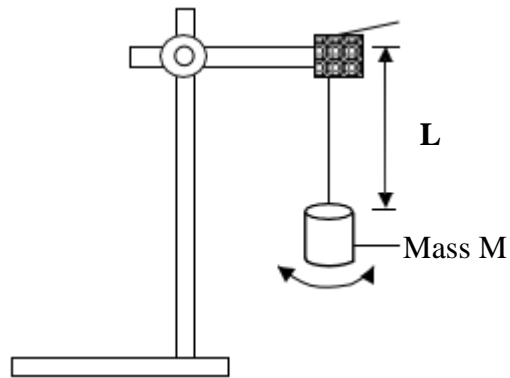
(f) What does quantity **P** represents (1mark)

PART B

(a) You are provided with the following apparatus

- A meter rule
- A retort stand
- A stop watch
- A piece of thread
- Two pieces of wood
- Mass labeled M

- b) Set up the apparatus as shown below. Ensure that the thread is free of kinks and the end tied to the hook is firm and the hook does not move.



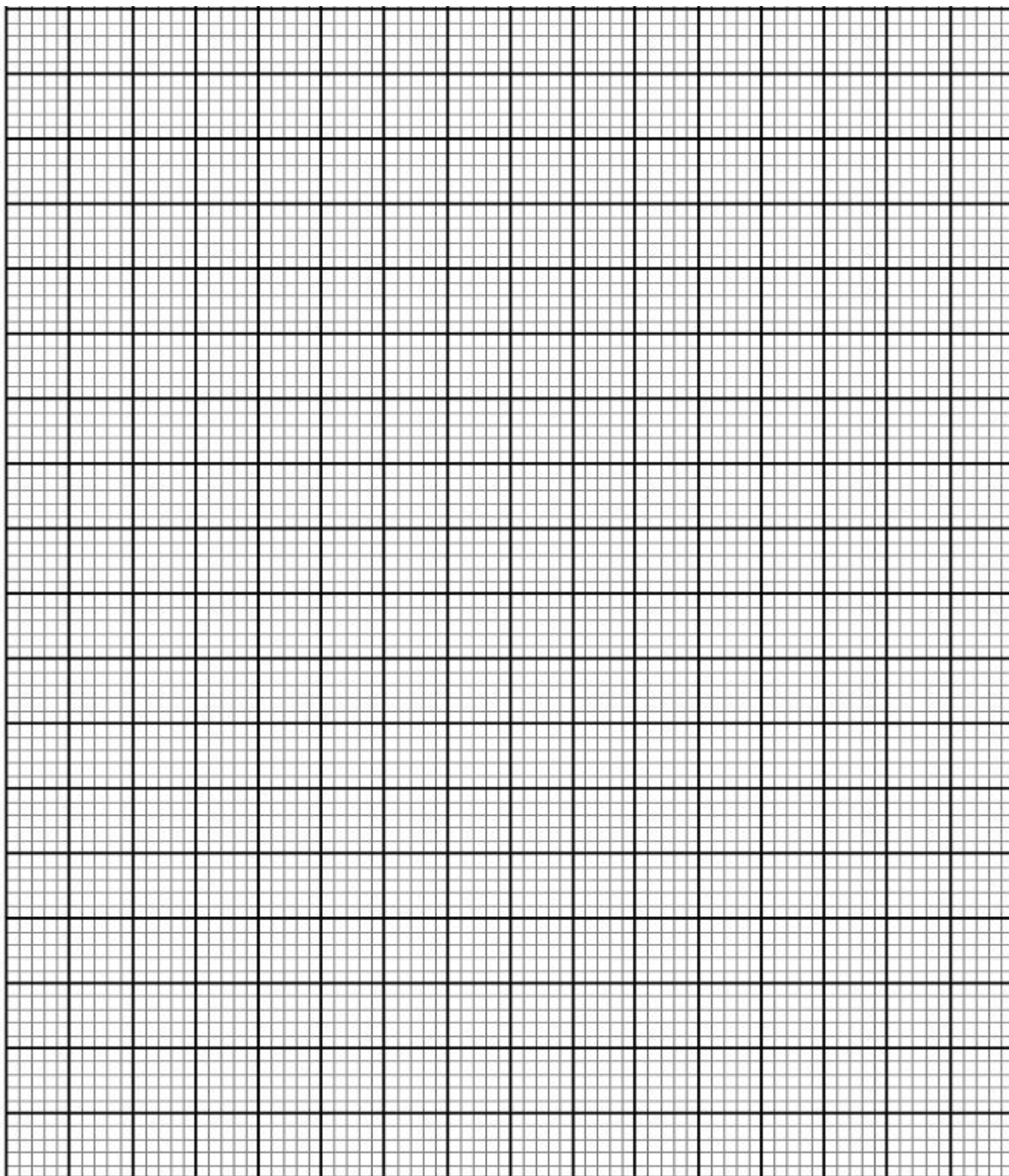
- c) Adjust the length L of the thread so that $L = 80\text{cm}$. Give the **Mass M** a slight twist so that when released, it oscillates about the axis as shown in figure above. Measure the time t for twenty oscillations and record in the table below.
- d) Repeat the procedure above for other values of L as shown and complete table 1.

Table 1

Length L (cm)	80	70	60	50	40	30
Length L (m)						
L^2 (m^2)						
Time for 10 oscillation						
Period T (s)						
T^2 (s^2)						

(6 marks)

(e) On the grid provided plot a graph of $T^2(s^2)$ against $L^2(m^2)$ (5 marks)



(f) Determine the **slope** of the graph (3 marks)