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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	5 I values, all increasing	1
	all < 5.00 A and to 2dp at least	1
1(b)	graph: axes labelled with quantity and unit	1
	appropriate scales (plots occupying at least ½ grid)	1
	plots all correct to ½ small square	1
	Well-judged straight line and thin line, precise plots	1
1(c)(i)	M present and triangle method seen on graph	1
1(c)(ii)	R in range 0.5 to 4.0 Ω	1
	2 or 3 sig figs and unit = Ω	1
1(d)	suitable reason:	1
	e.g.: wire becomes too hot, current exceeds full scale deflection(owtte) of meter/becomes too large	
1(e)	correct symbol for variable resistor (rectangle with strike-through arrow only)	1
	Total:	11

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)	sensible value for W_1 (0.7 to 1.3 N)	1
2(b)(i)	sensible value for V ₁ (140 to 160 cm ³)	1
2(b)(ii)	line of sight perpendicular	1
	to bottom of meniscus	1
2(c)	$W_2 < W_1 $ and $V_2 > V_1$	1
2(d)	correct calculation of $ ho_1$	1
	unit g / cm ³	1
2(e)	$m_1 > m_2$ by between 100 g and 200 g	1
2(f)	$ ho_2$ and $ ho_1$ in range 0.9 to 1.1	1
2(g)	appropriate cause of inaccuracy: e.g.: • some water still in empty measuring cylinder • water spilled, splashed when putty put in water water drops on putty when removed • air bubbles on putty	1
	suitable improvement: e.g.: • measure m_2 at start (when cylinder dry) • measure new volume in Method OR refill to correct value • shake putty to remove air / smooth surface to minimise bubbles	1
	Total:	11

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Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)	normal correct and θ = 30°±1°	1
3(b)	pin separation ≥ 5 cm	1
3(c)(i)	first set of lines in correct place	1
3(c)(ii)	a and b lengths correct	1
	n calculation correct	1
	in range 1.3 to 1.7 and no unit	1
3(d)	all lines present and neat	1
3(e)(i)	$\alpha = 30^{\circ} \pm 3^{\circ}$	1
3(e)(ii)	statement matching results	1
	justification using values and matching the statement ('within limits of experimental Accuracy'/owtte)	1
3(f)	difficulty in aligning pins/placing pins accurately, pins (too) thick	1
	Total:	11

Question	Answer	Marks
4 MP1	apparatus beaker with insulation and thermometer and stopclock (or alternative) mentioned	1
MP2	method pour hot water into container measure temperature of hot water over period of time	1
MP3	repeat for additional layers	1
MP4	results: suitable table/graph/cooling curve	1
MP5	control variables any pair from: same initial temperature, same volume of water, same size/material/thickness of beaker, same thickness of each layer,	1
MP6 MP7	additional points any 2 from: how cooling rate calculated/how to compare cooling curves, read thermometer perpendicularly, thermometer at same depth (for repeat) thermometer not touching beaker, stir before reading thermometer, use of lid, minimum of 5 different thicknesses of insulation, repeat experiment with different sized beakers/different amount of water, sensible amount of water (50 cm³ to 500 cm³)	2
	Total:	7

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