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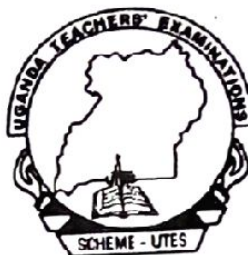
PHYSICS

PRACTICAL

Paper 3

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2¼ Hours



UGANDA TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS SCHEME

**Uganda Certificate of Education
JOINT MOCK EXAMINATIONS
PHYSICS PRACTICAL**

Paper 3

2 hours 15 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

*This paper consists of **three** questions.*

*Answer question **1** and **one** other question. You will **not** be allowed to start working with apparatus for the first quarter of an hour.*

Marks are given mainly for a clear record of the observations actually made, for their suitability, accuracy and use made of them.

*Candidates are reminded to **record** their observations as soon as they are made.*

Whenever possible, candidates should put their observations and calculations in a suitable table drawn in advance.

Graph papers are provided.

Mathematical tables, slide rules and silent non – programmable scientific electronic calculators may be used.

1. In this experiment you will determine the force constant K of the rubber strip provided.

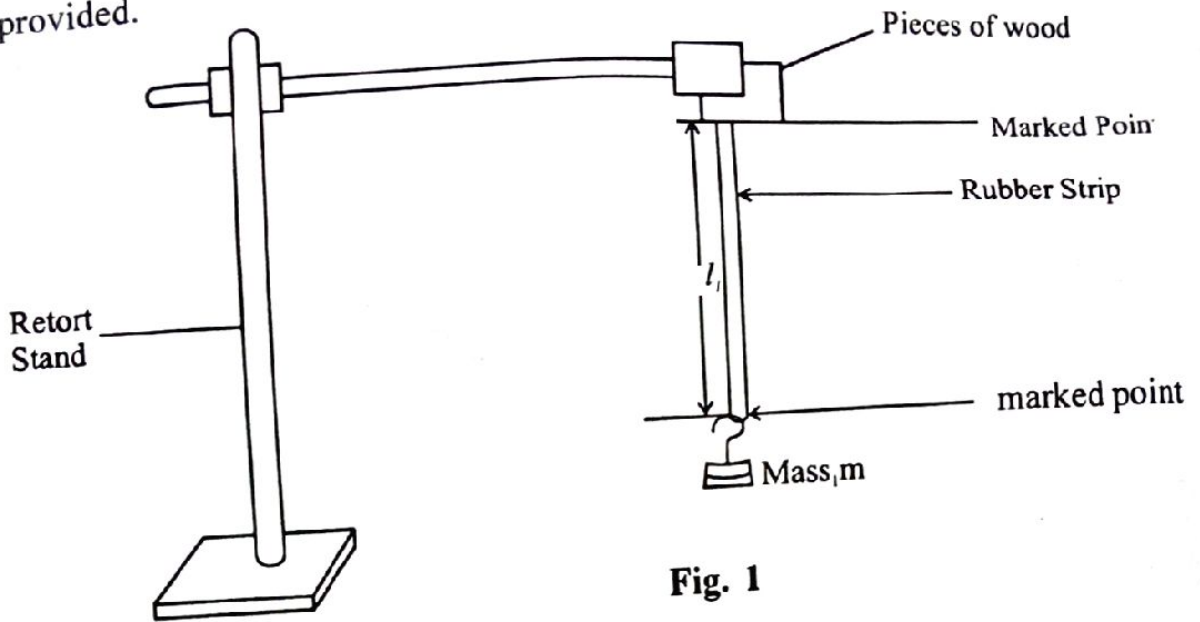


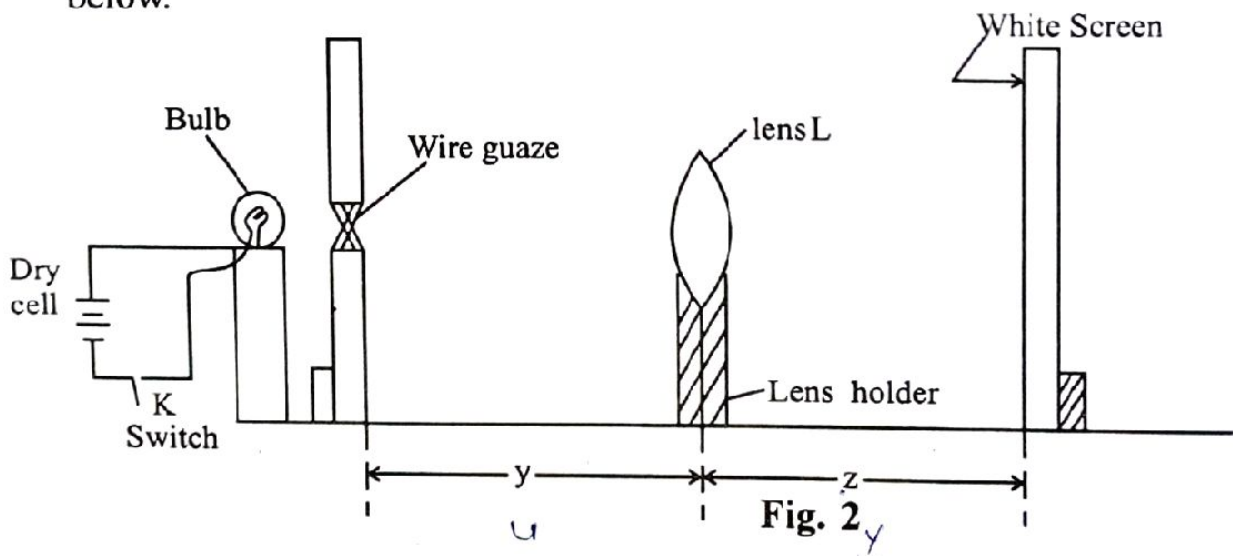
Fig. 1

- Clamp the rubber strip from retort stand using piece of wood.
- Mark the two points on a rubber strip such that the length between them, $l_0 = 40.0\text{cm}$ and record it.
- Suspend a mass, $m = 0.100\text{kg}$ from the rubber strip (at lower marked point of the strip) as shown in fig. 1.
- Measure and record the length l_1 between the two marked points on the strip.
- Calculate the extension of the rubber strip $e = l_1 - l_0$ in metres.
- Repeat procedures (c) to e for $m = 0.200, 0.300, 0.400, 0.500$ and 0.600kg .
- Record your results in a suitable table.
- Plot a graph of m against e .
- Find the slope, S of your graph.

- (j) Calculate the force constant K , of the rubber strip from $S = \frac{K}{g}$ where g is acceleration due to gravity, i.e $g = 10.0 \text{ms}^{-2}$

2. In this experiment you will determine the focal length f , of the converging lens L , provided. (30 marks)

- Mount the lens L , in the holder provided.
- Position the lens facing the window.
- Place the white screen behind the lens.
- Adjust the distance between the lenses and screen until a clear image of a distant object is formed on it.
- Measure and record the distance x between the lens and the screen.
- Connect the dry cells, bulb and switch K in series.
- Arrange the white screen, lens, wire gauze and the bulb as shown in fig .2 below.



- Adjust the lens so that the distance y between the wire gauze and lens is equal to $\frac{300}{x}$

- (i) Close the switch K , and move the white screen until a clear image of the wire gauze is obtained on it.
- (j) Open the switch K .
- (k) Measure and record the distance Z , between the lens and white screen.
- (l) Repeat procedures (h) to (k) for values of $y = \frac{375}{x}, \frac{450}{x}, \frac{525}{x}, \frac{600}{x}$ and $\frac{675}{x}$
- (m) Record your results in a suitable table including values of $\frac{1}{y}$ and $\frac{1}{z}$
- (n) Plot a graph of $\frac{1}{z}$ against $\frac{1}{y}$.
- (o) Read and record the intercepts C_1 and C_2 on $\frac{1}{y}$ and $\frac{1}{z}$ axes respectively.
- (p) Calculate the focal length f , of the lens from the expression $f = \frac{C_1 + C_2}{2C_1C_2}$

3. In this experiment, you will determine the internal resistance r , of the cells provided. (30 marks)

(a) Record the resistance R_p of the resistor P .

(b) Connect the two dry cells in series across, the voltmeter as shown in circuit below.

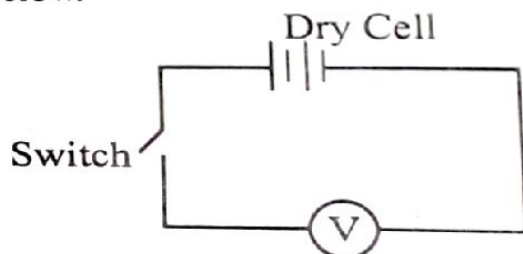


Fig. 3

(c) Close the switch K .

(d) Record and read voltmeter reading E_0 .

- (e) Fix the wire q provided on a metre rule using cello tape and arrange the circuit as shown in fig. 4.

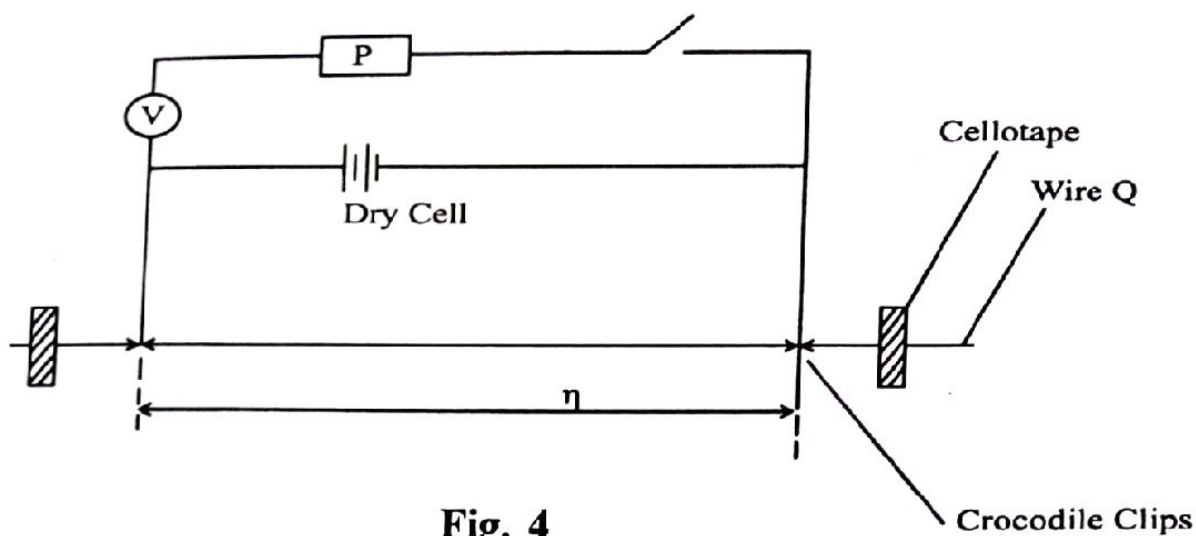


Fig. 4

- (f) Adjust the distance η such that it is equal to $0.200m$.
- (g) Close the switch K and record ammeter reading I .
- (h) Open switch K .
- (i) Repeat procedures in (f) to (h) for the values of $\eta = 0.300, 0.400, 0.600, 0.700$ and $0.800m$.
- (j) Record your results in suitable table including values of $\frac{1}{I}$ and $\frac{1}{\eta}$
- (k) Plot a graph of $\frac{1}{I}$ against $\frac{1}{\eta}$
- (l) Find the intercept C on the $\frac{1}{I}$ axis.
- (m) Calculate the internal resistance r from the expression $\frac{r + R_p}{C} = E_0$

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