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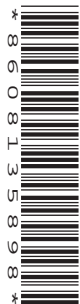
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**PHYSICS**

**9702/52**

Paper 5 Planning, Analysis and Evaluation

**February/March 2021**

**1 hour 15 minutes**

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

### INSTRUCTIONS

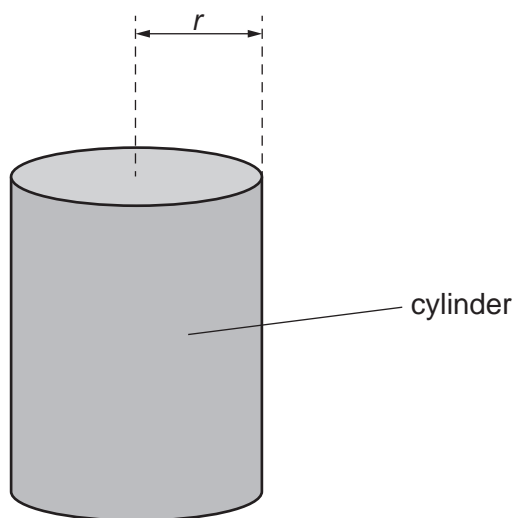
- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.
- You should show all your working and use appropriate units.

### INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 30.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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- 1 A student investigates the vertical oscillations of a solid cylinder which floats in cooking oil. Fig. 1.1 shows a cylinder of radius  $r$ .



**Fig. 1.1**

The student places the cylinder of mass  $m$  in the oil. The cylinder is displaced vertically from its equilibrium position and released so that it oscillates. The period  $T$  of the oscillations is determined.

A number of cylinders of different mass are available.

It is suggested that the relationship between  $T$  and  $m$  is

$$T = 2\sqrt{\frac{\pi m}{\sigma K r^2}}$$

where  $\sigma$  is the density of the oil and  $K$  is a constant.

Design a laboratory experiment to test the relationship between  $T$  and  $m$ .

Explain how your results could be used to determine a value for  $K$ .

You should draw a diagram, on page 3, showing the arrangement of your equipment. In your account you should pay particular attention to:

- the procedure to be followed
- the measurements to be taken
- the control of variables
- the analysis of the data
- any safety precautions to be taken.

Diagram

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- 2 A student investigates the collision of two gliders A and B on a linear air-track, as shown in Fig. 2.1.

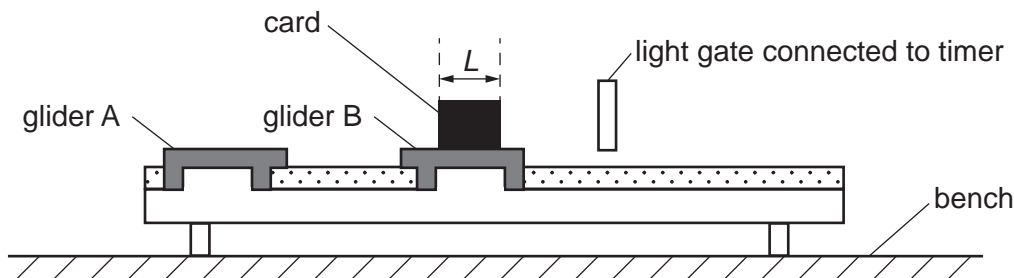


Fig. 2.1

The light gate is connected to a timer. A card of length  $L$  is attached to glider B. The mass of glider B and the card is  $m$ . Glider B is initially at rest.

The student releases glider A so that it travels at a constant velocity  $u$  towards the stationary glider B. The gliders collide and then separate.

The card on glider B passes through the light gate. The student records the time  $t$  for the card to pass through the light gate from the timer.

The student changes the mass of glider B and repeats the experiment.

It is suggested that the velocity  $v$  of glider B as it passes through the light gate and  $m$  are related by the equation

$$v = \frac{2uA}{m + A}$$

where  $A$  is the mass of glider A.

- (a) A graph is plotted of  $\frac{1}{v}$  on the  $y$ -axis against  $m$  on the  $x$ -axis.

Determine expressions for the gradient and  $y$ -intercept.

gradient = .....

$y$ -intercept = .....

[1]

(b) Values of  $m$  and  $t$  are given in Table 2.1.

**Table 2.1**

$m/g$	$t/s$	$\frac{1}{v}/\text{s cm}^{-1}$
271	$0.23 \pm 0.01$	
369	$0.26 \pm 0.01$	
490	$0.31 \pm 0.01$	
632	$0.36 \pm 0.01$	
741	$0.40 \pm 0.01$	
840	$0.44 \pm 0.01$	

Calculate and record values of  $\frac{1}{v}/\text{s cm}^{-1}$  in Table 2.1 where

$$\frac{1}{v} = \frac{t}{L}$$

and  $L = 5.0 \pm 0.1$  cm.

Include the absolute uncertainties in  $\frac{1}{v}$ . [2]

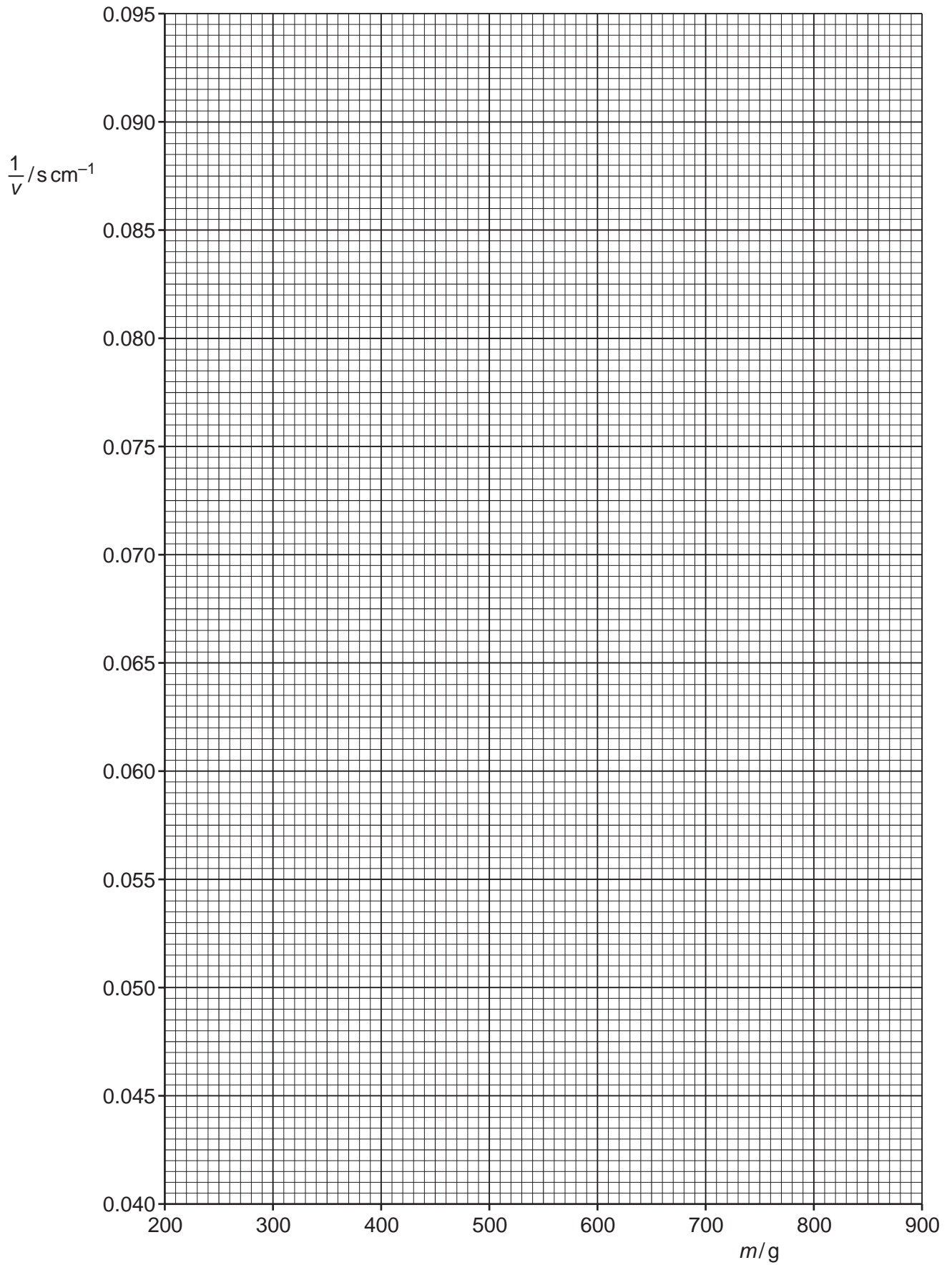
(c) (i) Plot a graph of  $\frac{1}{v}/\text{s cm}^{-1}$  against  $m/g$ .

Include error bars for  $\frac{1}{v}$ . [2]

(ii) Draw the straight line of best fit and a worst acceptable straight line on your graph. Both lines should be clearly labelled. [2]

(iii) Determine the gradient of the line of best fit. Include the absolute uncertainty in your answer.

gradient = ..... [2]



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- (iv) Determine the  $y$ -intercept of the line of best fit. Include the absolute uncertainty in your answer.

$y$ -intercept = ..... [2]

- (d) (i) Using your answers to (a), (c)(iii) and (c)(iv), determine values of  $u$  and  $A$ . Include appropriate units.

$u$  = .....

$A$  = ..... [2]

- (ii) Determine the percentage uncertainty in  $A$ .

percentage uncertainty in  $A$  = ..... % [1]

- (e) The experiment is repeated. Determine the mass  $m$  of glider B and the card when  $t$  has a value of 0.50s.

$m$  = ..... g [1]

[Total: 15]



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