

KAPSABET HIGH SCHOOL



232/3 - PHYSICS - Paper 3



2½ HOURS

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INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES:

- Write your name, index number, sign and date in spaces provided above
- Answer *all* the questions in section *I* and *II* in the spaces provided in the question paper.
- You are supposed to spend the first 15 minutes of the 2½ hours allowed for this paper reading the whole paper carefully before commencing your work.
- Marks are given for a clear record of the observations actually made, their suitability, accuracy and the use made of them.
- Candidates are advised to record their observations as soon as they are made.
- Non-programmable silent electronic calculators and KNEC mathematical tables may be used.

For Examiner's Use Only:-

QUESTION 1: PART I

	V	Vi	vii	viii a b	ix	Total
Maximum Score	4	5	3	1 1	2	
Candidate's Score						

PART II

	A	b vi	b vii	b viii	Total
Maximum Score	1	1	1	1	
Candidate's Score					

QUESTION 2: PART 1

	a i	a iv	B	c i	c ii	c iii	Total
Maximum Score	1	5	5	2	1	2	
Candidate's Score							

PART II

	B	C	d i	d ii	e	f	Total
Maximum Score	½	½	½	½	1	1	
Candidate's Score							

GRAND TOTAL

This paper consists of 8 printed pages.

*Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all pages are printed as indicated.
And that no questions are missing.*

1. You are provided with the following apparatus:

- Candle
- A plane mirror
- Lens holder
- 4 optical pins
- Metre Rule
- A soft board
- Cross wire
- A piece of cellotape
- Screen
- 2 White plain sheets of paper
- Vernier calipers (To be shared)
- 4 office pins
- A glass block
- Protractor

PART I

Proceed as follows:-

i) Arrange the apparatus as shown in the fig. 1 below.

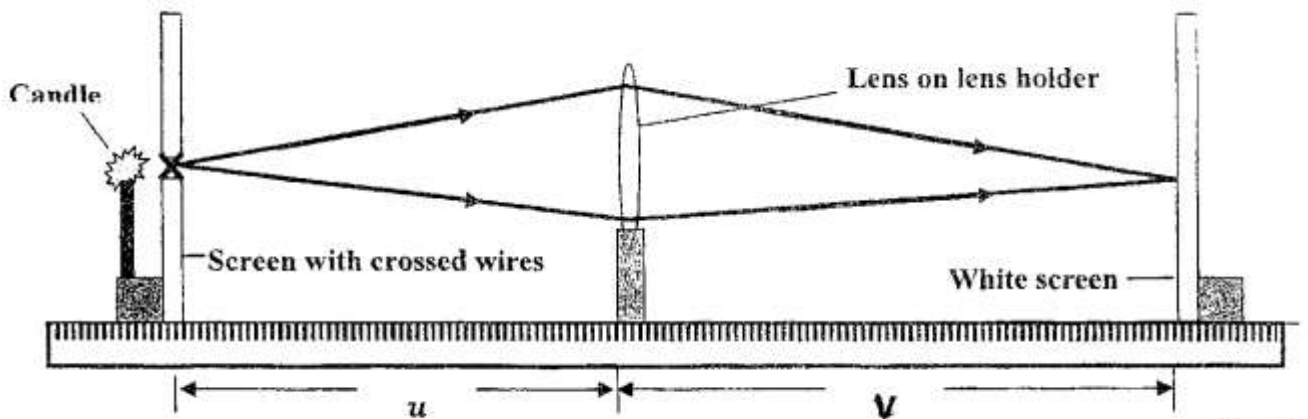


Fig. 1

Candle

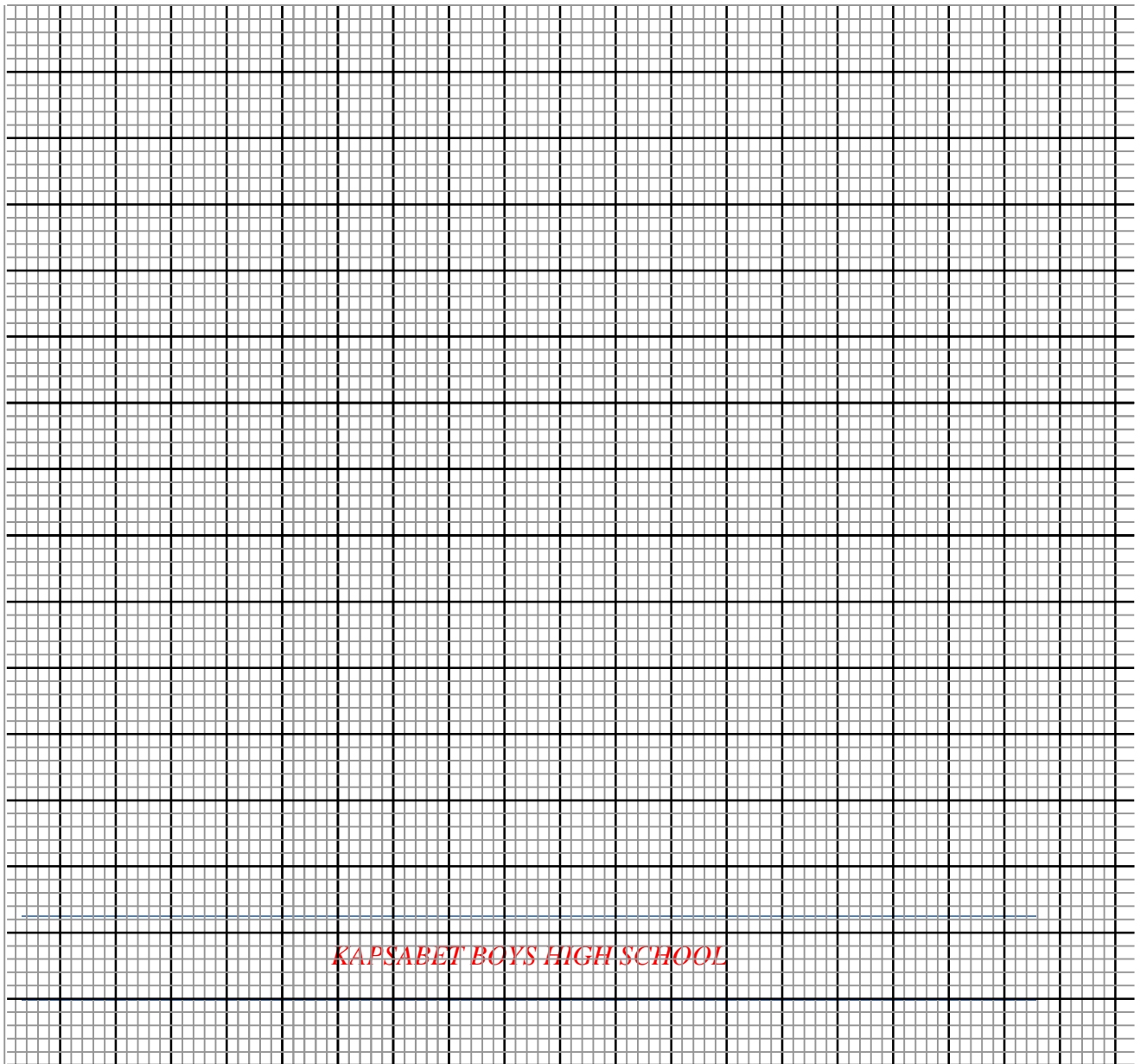
Lens on lens holder

White screen

- ii) Place the cross – wire before lens so that $u = 28$ cm. The lit candle could be placed close to the cross-wire.
- iii) Adjust the position of the screen until a sharp image is cast on the screen.
- iv) Measure and record the image distance, v in the table 1.
- v) Repeat the same procedure for the other values in the table.

u (cm)	28	30	32	34	36	38
v (cm)						
$m = \frac{v}{u}$						

- vi) Plot a graph of u (y-axis) against v



vii) By finding the slope, use the equation $m = \frac{v}{f} - 1$ to determine the focal length f of the lens. (3 mks)

viii) Use the vernier calipers to measure:

a) Thickness (T) of the lens = cm (1 mk)

b) The diameter (D) of the lens = cm (1 mk)

ix) Determine the angle α given that $\sin \alpha = \frac{D}{4f}$ (2 mks)

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PART II

Proceed as follows:

Using the cellotape provided, fix the plane mirror to the glass block as shown in **fig. 2**. The reflecting surface to face the glass block.

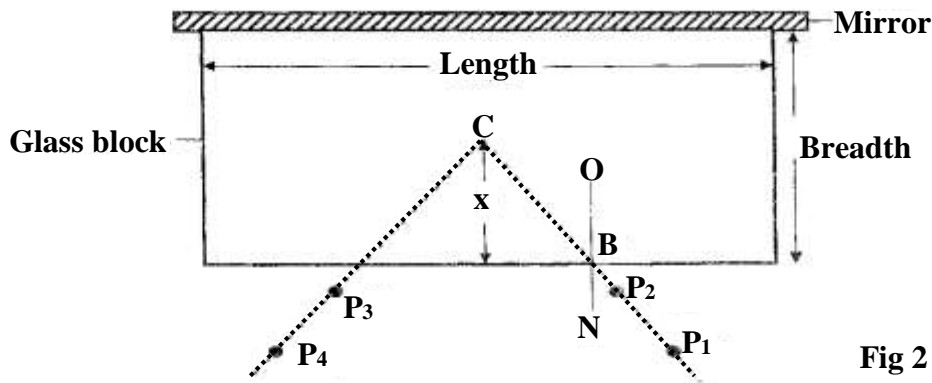


Fig 2

a) Measure the breadth, b of

the glass block.

(1 mk)

$b = \dots\dots\dots$

- b) (i) With the use of the office pins, secure firmly a white plain paper on the board and place the block together with attached mirror
- ii) Draw the outline of the glass block together with the mirror.
- iii) Remove the block and the mirror and draw a normal at B somewhere a quarter-way the length of the outline you drew in (iii) above. Draw two different rays AB incident at B. The incident rays should make angles 10° and 40° .
Replace the glass block together with the attached mirror so as to exactly fit the outline in (iii).
- iv) Place the pins P_1 and P_2 along the 10° line. Locate the images of pins P_1 and P_2 as they appear by non- parallax (the images of the pins appear to be in a straight line when viewed through the glass block)
- v) Place the pins P_3 and P_4 so that the images of pins P_1 and P_2 are not seen.
- vi) Remove the glass block together with the attached mirror from the outline and produce the lines joining P_1 to P_2 and P_3 to P_4 so that they intersect at C.

Measure and record the distance x in the table below.

NB: It may be necessary to draw another outline so as to avoid congestion of construction line

Angle i°	10°	40°
Distance x (cm)		

Table 2

(1mk)

vii) Calculate the average x_{avg} of the values of x in the table above. (1 mk)

$x_{avg} = \dots\dots\dots$

viii) Determine the refractive index of the glass block using the formula. (1 mk)

Refractive index, η of glass $\eta = \frac{b}{x_{avg}}$

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QUESTION 2

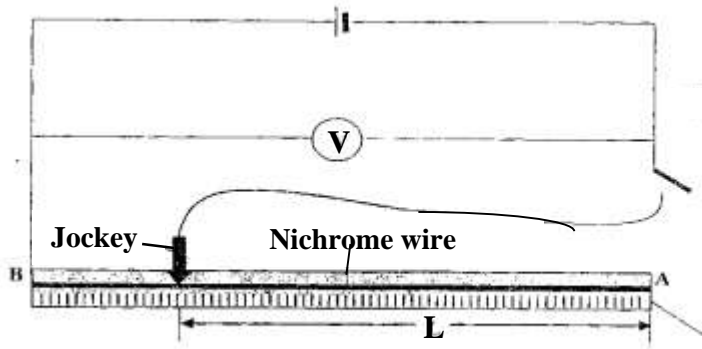
PART 1

2. You are provided with following:-

- Seven connecting wires
- A jockey
- A cell holder
- A new dry cell
- A voltmeter
- Nichrome wire labelled **AB** and attached on a millimetre scale.

Proceed as follows:

Set up the circuit as shown below in figure 2.



Millimetre scale Fig. 2

Place the

jokey on **AB** so that the length marked **L** is 90 cm. Open the switch and record the voltmeter reading **V₁** (1 mk)

V₁

Precaution: The switch should be left open when the readings are not being taken.

ii) Now, close the switch and note the new reading of the voltmeter, **V₂** when **L = 90 cm** and record this value in table 2 below

iii) Repeat part (ii) for other values of **L** in table 2.

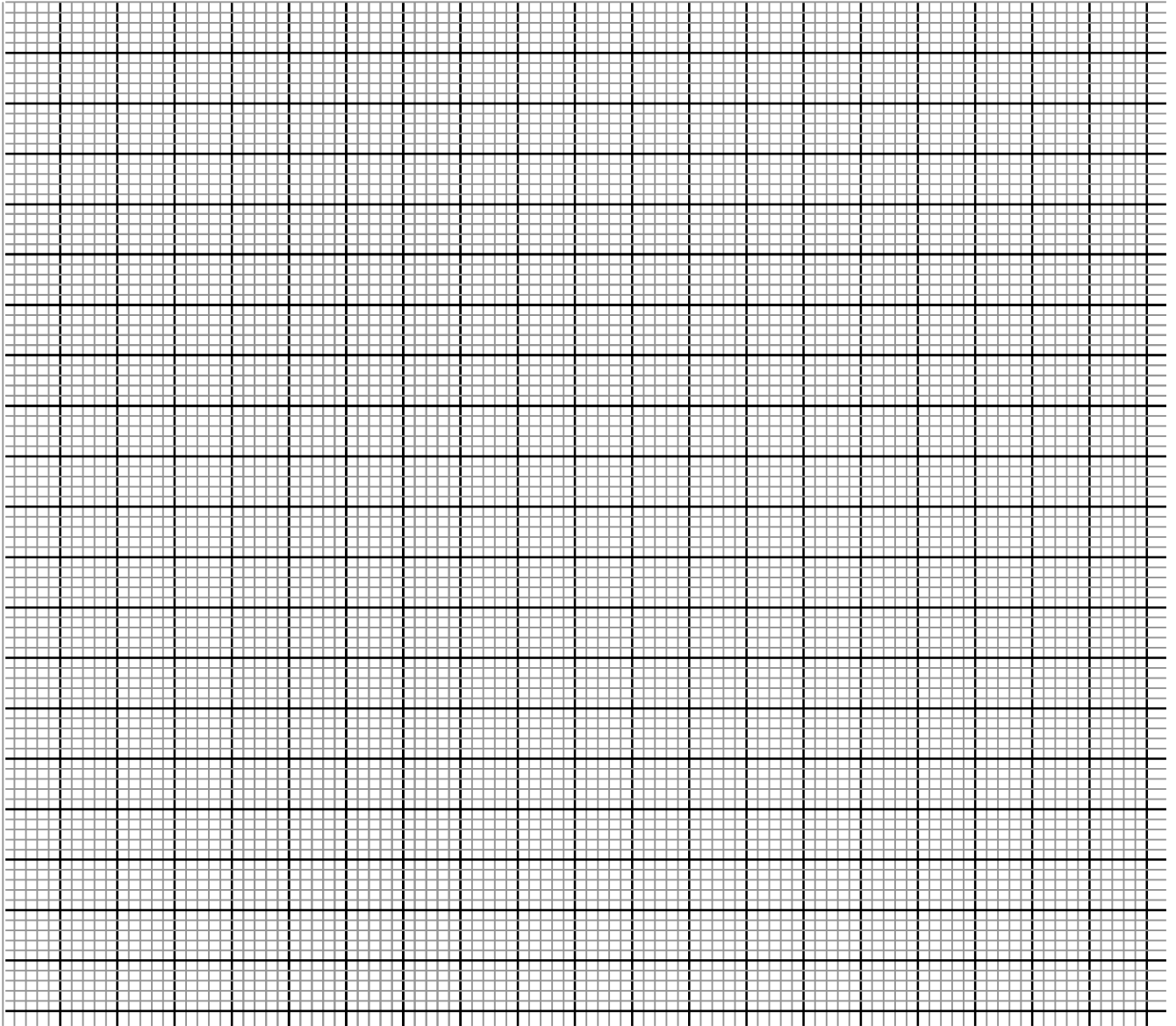
iv) Complete the table for the values of **V** where **V = (V₁ – V₂)**

b) Plot a graph of $\frac{1}{V}$ (y – axis) against **L**. (5 mks)

Table 3

L(cm)	90	80	70	60	50	40
V₂ (Volts)						
V = (V₁ - V₂) (Volts)						
$\frac{1}{v}$ (V⁻¹)						

(5 mks)



c) The relationship between **V** and **L** is given by the equation.

$$\underline{WL} = \underline{12} - \underline{1} \quad \text{where } R \text{ and } W \text{ are constants}$$

$$100 \quad R \quad V$$

Use your graph to determine:

i) The slope **S** of the graph.

(2 mks)

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ii) The value of W . (1 mk)

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iii) The value of R (2 mks)

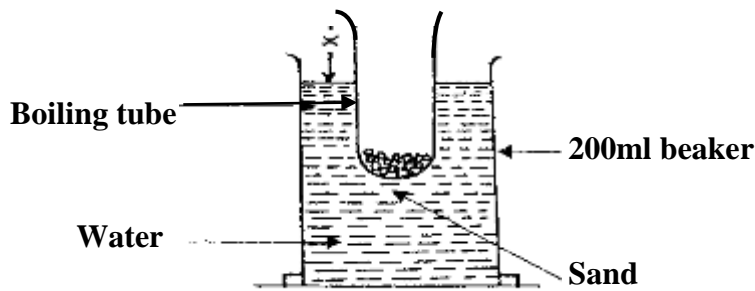
PART II

You are provided with the following:

- Boiling tube
- 1000 ml beaker
- Sand in a small beaker
- Vernier calipers (to be shared)
- A weighing balance (to be shared)
- Metre rule / a half metre rule / 30 cm rule/ 15cm rule
- Spatula and water

Proceed as follows:

a) Set up the apparatus as shown in the figure below by adding sand into the boiling tube until the boiling tube just floats upright.



b) Measure the length x (½ mk)

$x = \dots\dots\dots$ cms

c) Measure the whole length of the test tube y . (½ mk)

$y = \dots\dots\dots$ cm

d) Determine the external diameter of the test tube using the vernier caliper.

i) External diameter = cm (½ mk)

ii) External radius, **r** = cm (½ mk)

e) Measure the mass of the test tube and its contents.

Mass, **M** = g (1 mk)

f) Determine the density of water given that:

$$\frac{p = 7M}{22r^2 (y - x)} \quad (1 \text{ mk})$$