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**PHYSICS 3A
(PRACTICAL A)**

PROPOSED MARKING SCHEME

(a) RESULTS:

1.

Number of oscillations (n) = 20 oscillations.

L(m)	t(s)	T(s)	T ² (s ²)
1	40.09	2.005	4.020
0.9	38.10	1.905	3.629
0.8	35.90	1.795	3.222
0.7	33.61	1.681	2.826
0.6	31.11	1.556	2.421

(0.5 marks)

(b) From: The Period of Pendulum.

Required L(m) against T²(s²)

But $T = 2\pi \sqrt{x/g}$ Where x is pendulum length

$x = L + c$, where c is (0.5 mark)
Constant

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{L+c}{g}}$$

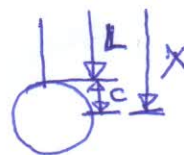
$$T^2 = 4\pi^2 \left(\frac{L+c}{g} \right)$$

$$T^2 g = 4\pi^2 (L+c)$$

$$L+c = \frac{T^2 g}{4\pi^2}$$

$$L = \frac{T^2 g}{4\pi^2} - c$$

$$L = \left(\frac{g}{4\pi^2} \right) T^2 - c \quad \text{--- (i)} \quad (0.5 \text{ mark})$$



(0.5 mark)

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(d) Slope(m):

From the graph, Consider points A(0.6, 0.15) & B(2.6, 0.65)

$$\text{Slope}(m) = \frac{\Delta L}{\Delta T^2} \quad \left(\frac{00}{2} \text{ mark}\right)$$

$$\text{Slope}(m) = \frac{0.65 - 0.15}{2.6 - 0.6} \quad \left(\frac{00}{2} \text{ mark}\right)$$

$$\text{Slope}(m) = 0.25 \text{ m/s}^2 \quad \text{---(ii)} \quad (01 \text{ mark})$$

(e) From equation (i) & (ii)

$$\text{Slope}(m) = \frac{g}{4\pi^2} \quad \left(\frac{00}{2} \text{ mark}\right)$$

$$g = 4\pi^2 \times \text{Slope}(m) \quad \left(\frac{00}{2} \text{ mark}\right)$$

$$g = 4\pi^2 \times 0.25$$

$$g = 9.87 \text{ m/s}^2 \quad (01 \text{ mark})$$

$\therefore$ Acceleration due to gravity (g) = 9.87 m/s^2

(f) Y-intercept (L-intercept) = 0.01m --- (iii) $\left(\frac{00}{2} \text{ mark}\right)$

From equation (i) & (iii)

$$L\text{-intercept}(c) = 0.01m$$

$$c = 0.01m$$

(it depends on the Bob used)
Physical meaning of c is Radius of Bob $\left(\frac{00}{2} \text{ mark}\right)$

(g) Two possible aim of this experiment: -

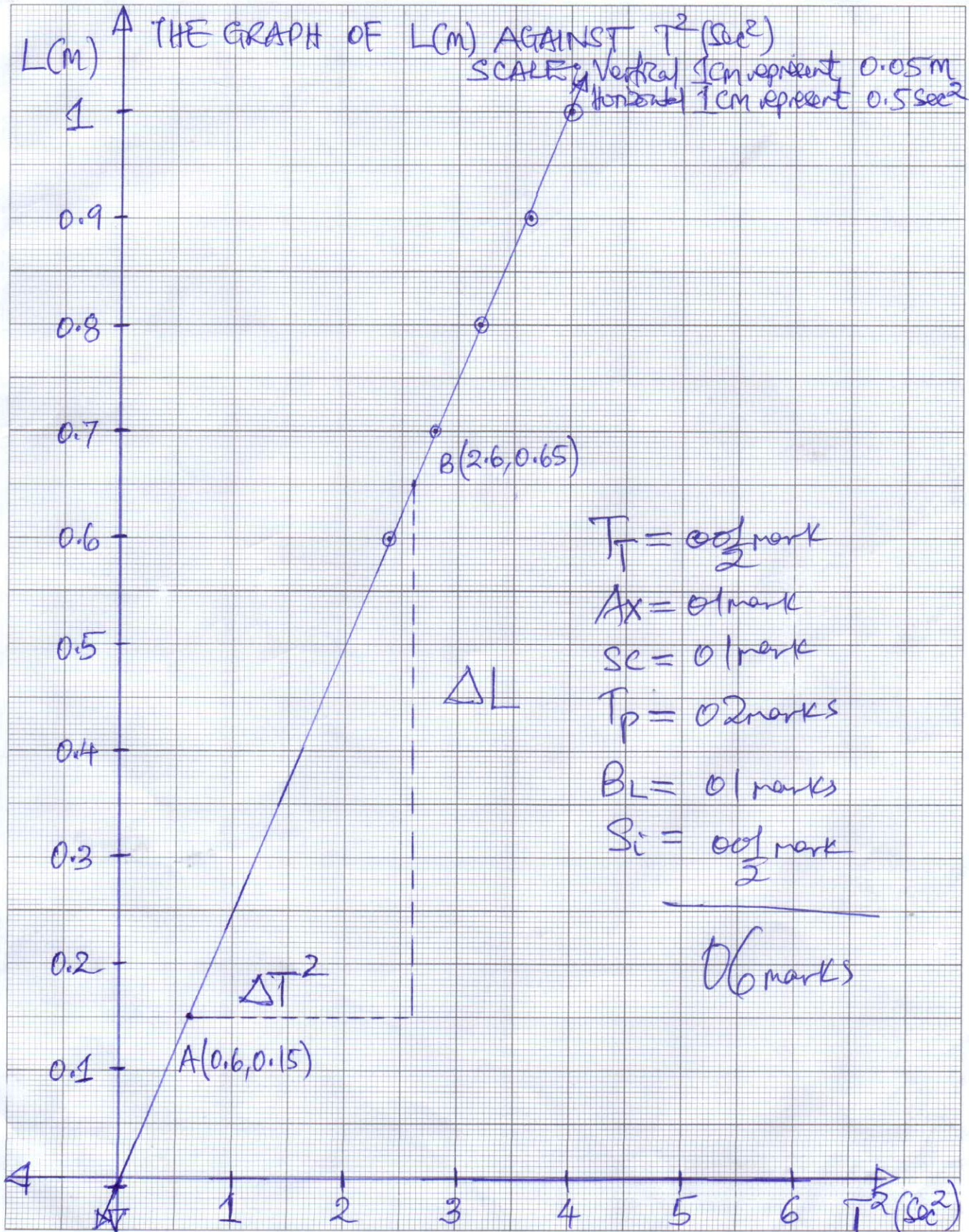
(i) Determination of acceleration due gravity (g) $\left(\frac{00}{2} \text{ mark}\right)$

(ii) Determination of Radius of Bob. $\left(\frac{00}{2} \text{ mark}\right)$

(h) Possible source of errors:

(i) Air resistance $\left(\frac{00}{2} \text{ mark}\right)$

(ii) Time reaction $\left(\frac{00}{2} \text{ mark}\right)$



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Initial temperature (θ_{si}) = 22°C Final temperature (θ_{sf}) = 23°C

$$\text{Room temperature } (\theta_s) = \frac{22^\circ\text{C} + 23^\circ\text{C}}{2} = 22.5^\circ\text{C}$$

(a) RESULTS:

(00/2 mark)

Time (minutes)	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
$\theta (^\circ\text{C})$	80	75	70	66	63	60	58	55	53	51	49
$(\theta - \theta_s) (^\circ\text{C})$	57.5	52.5	47.5	43.5	40.5	37.5	35.5	32.5	30.5	28.5	26.5
$\log(\theta - \theta_s)$	1.7597	1.7202	1.6779	1.6385	1.6075	1.5740	1.5502	1.5119	1.4843	1.4548	1.4232

(05 marks)

(b) The graph plotted on graph paper.

(c) Given $A = \log_{10}(\theta - \theta_s) \neq kt$ Required $\log_{10}(\theta - \theta_s) \propto \text{time}(t)$.

$$\log_{10}(\theta - \theta_s) = -kt + A$$

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(00/2 mark)

From the graph, Consider points A(26.6, 1.3) & B(15, 1.5)

$$\text{Slope}(m) = \frac{\Delta \log(\theta - \theta_s)}{\Delta \text{time}(t)}$$

$$\text{Slope}(m) = \frac{1.5 - 1.3}{15 - 26.6}$$

$$\text{Slope}(m) = -0.0172$$

$$\text{Slope}(m) \equiv -0.02 \text{ min}^{-1} \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

(00/2 mark)

Compare eqn (i) & (ii)

$$\text{Slope}(n) = -K$$

$$-0.02 = -K$$

$$K = 0.02 \text{ min}^{-1}$$

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(001/2 mark)

From the graph:

$$Y\text{-intercept}(\log_{10}(\theta - \theta_s)) = 1.76 \text{ --- (iii)}$$

Compare (i) & (iii)

$$\log_{10}(\theta - \theta_s) \text{ intercept} = A$$

$$1.76 = A$$

$$A = 1.76$$

$$\text{Constant}(A) = 1.76$$

(001/2 mark)

(d) From the graph:

The relation between Rate of heat loss from Calorimeter and its excess Temperature over its surrounding is LINEAR

(001/2 mark)

(e) Newton's Law of cooling

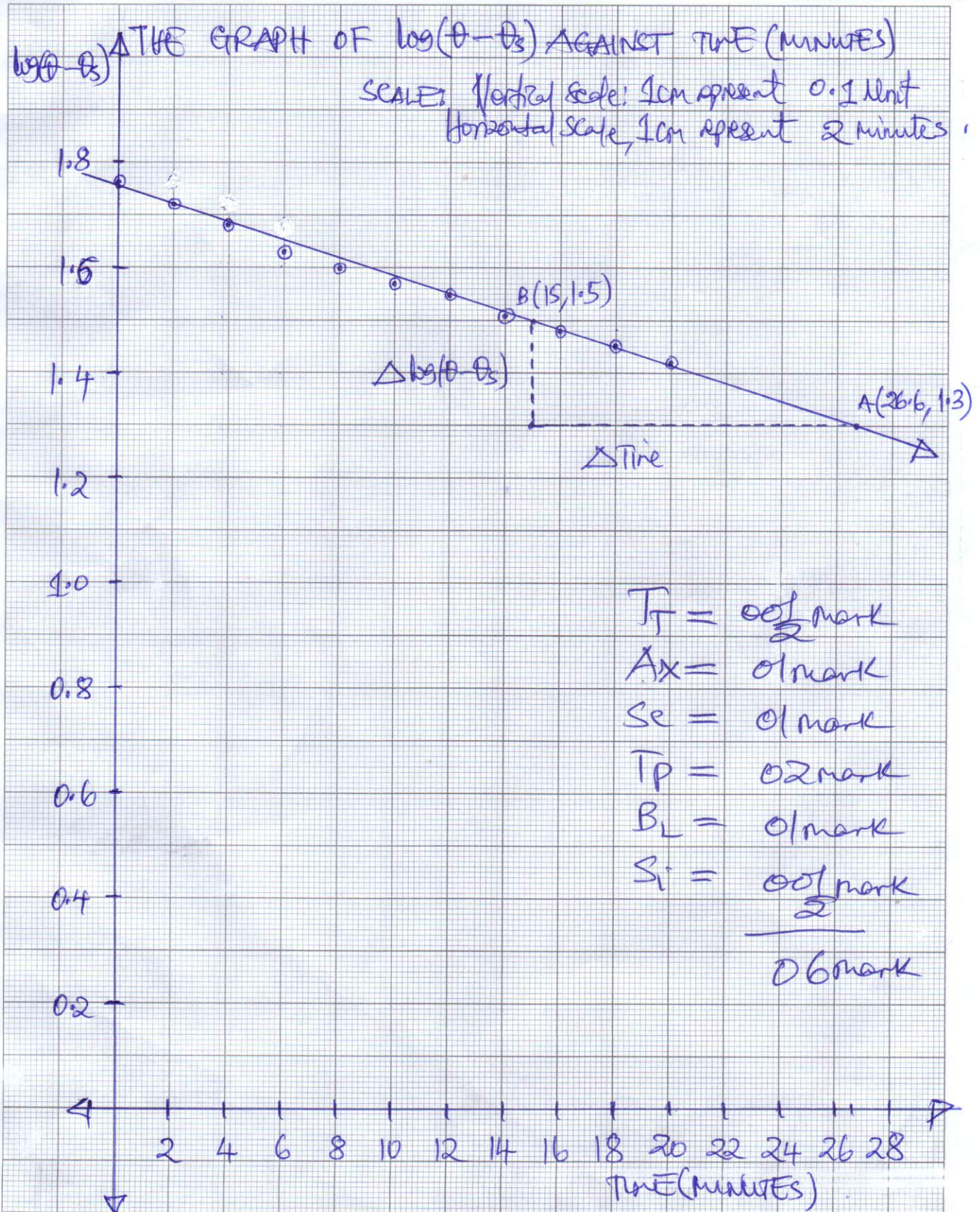
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(F) The physical meaning of K is Cooling Constant rate

(001/2 mark)

THE GRAPH OF $\log(\theta - \theta_s)$ AGAINST TIME (MINUTES)

SCALE: Vertical scale: 1cm represent 0.2 unit
Horizontal scale: 1cm represent 2 minutes



$T_T = 00\frac{1}{2}$ mark
 $A_x = 01$ mark
 $S_e = 01$ mark
 $T_p = 02$ mark
 $B_L = 01$ mark
 $S_i = 00\frac{1}{2}$ mark

 06 mark

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(a) Results:

Length (L_x) (m)	I (A)	$1/I$ (A^{-1})
0.2	0.55	1.82
0.4	0.45	2.2
0.6	0.35	2.9
0.8	0.30	3.3
1	0.25	4

(05 marks)

(c) From the graph, consider points A(0.27, 2) & B(0.7, 3.17)

$$\text{Slope}(m) = \frac{\Delta 1/I}{\Delta L_x}$$

$$\text{Slope}(m) = \frac{3.17 - 2}{0.7 - 0.27}$$

$$\text{Slope}(m) = 2.7 A^{-1}/m \quad \text{--- (i)} \quad (0.5 \text{ mark})$$

 $1/I$ -intercept (From the graph)

$$1/I \text{-intercept} = 1.25 A^{-1} \quad \text{--- (ii)} \quad (0.5 \text{ mark})$$

(d) Diameter of the wire provided (d) = $0.28 \text{ mm} = 0.28 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$.
(0.5 mark)

(e) From circuit diagram provided:-

$$\text{short theory: } E = Ir + IR + IR_s$$

Required $1/I$ against L_x

$$E = I(r + R + R_s) \text{ but } R = 2\Omega$$

$$E = I(R_s + (2+r))$$

(0.5 mark)

$$\frac{E}{I} = R_x + (2+r)$$

$$\frac{1}{I} = \frac{R_x}{E} + \frac{(2+r)}{E}, \text{ but } R_x = \frac{\rho L}{A}$$

$$\frac{1}{I} = \left(\frac{\rho}{AE}\right)L + \left(\frac{2+r}{E}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{I} = \left(\frac{\rho}{AE}\right)L + \left(\frac{2+r}{E}\right) \text{ --- (iii) } \left(\frac{00\frac{1}{2} \text{ mark}}{2}\right)$$

Compare eqn (i) & (iii)

$$\text{Slope}(m) = \frac{\rho}{AE} \text{ but } E = 3V, \text{ given.}$$

$$\text{Resistivity}(\rho) = \text{slope}(m) \times A \times E$$

$$\rho = 2.7 \times 3 \times \frac{\pi (0.28 \times 10^{-3})^2}{4}$$

$$\rho = 4.99 \times 10^{-7} \text{ } \Omega \text{m.}$$

$$\therefore \text{Resistivity is } 4.99 \times 10^{-7} \text{ } \Omega \text{m.} / 49.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ } \Omega \text{m.} \left(\frac{00\frac{1}{2} \text{ mark}}{2}\right)$$

Compare eqn (ii) & (iii)

$$\frac{1}{I} \text{ intercept} = \frac{2+r}{E}$$

$$1.25 = \frac{2+r}{E} \text{ but } E = 3V$$

$$(1.25 \times 3) = 2+r$$

$$r = (1.25 \times 3) - 2$$

$$r = 1.75 \Omega.$$

$\therefore$ The Internal resistance of the battery $(r) = 1.75 \Omega$ $\left(\frac{00\frac{1}{2} \text{ mark}}{2}\right)$

(f) The aim of experiment was to determine the resistivity of the wire provided and the internal resistance of the battery. $\left(\frac{00\frac{1}{2} \text{ mark}}{2}\right)$

