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**PHYSICAL SCIENCE**

**0652/51**

Paper 5 Practical Test

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**1 hour 15 minutes**

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: The materials and apparatus listed in the confidential instructions

## 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

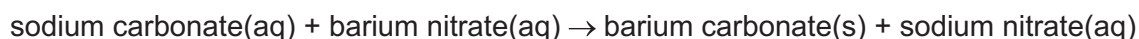
- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].
- Notes for use in qualitative analysis are provided in the question paper.

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This document has **16** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

- 1 You are going to investigate the amount of precipitate formed when aqueous sodium carbonate reacts with aqueous barium nitrate.

The word equation for the reaction is shown.



**(a) Procedure**

- Label 6 test-tubes **1, 2, 3, 5, 6** and **7** (there is no test-tube **4**).
- Using a measuring cylinder, add  $5\text{ cm}^3$  of aqueous barium nitrate into each test-tube.
- Using a **clean** measuring cylinder, add  $1\text{ cm}^3$  of aqueous sodium carbonate to test-tube **1** and stir with a glass rod.
- Using the measuring cylinder used for adding aqueous sodium carbonate to test-tube **1**, add the volumes of aqueous sodium carbonate shown in Table 1.1 to the other test-tubes, stirring each with a glass rod.
- Leave the test-tubes to stand for at least 10 minutes to allow the precipitate to settle.

Complete Question 2 while you wait.

- After at least 10 minutes measure the height of precipitate in each test-tube.

Record, in Table 1.1, these heights in millimetres to the nearest millimetre.

**Table 1.1**

test-tube number	volume of aqueous sodium carbonate added / $\text{cm}^3$	height of precipitate / mm
1	1	.....
2	2	.....
3	3	.....
5	5	.....
6	6	.....
7	7	.....

[3]

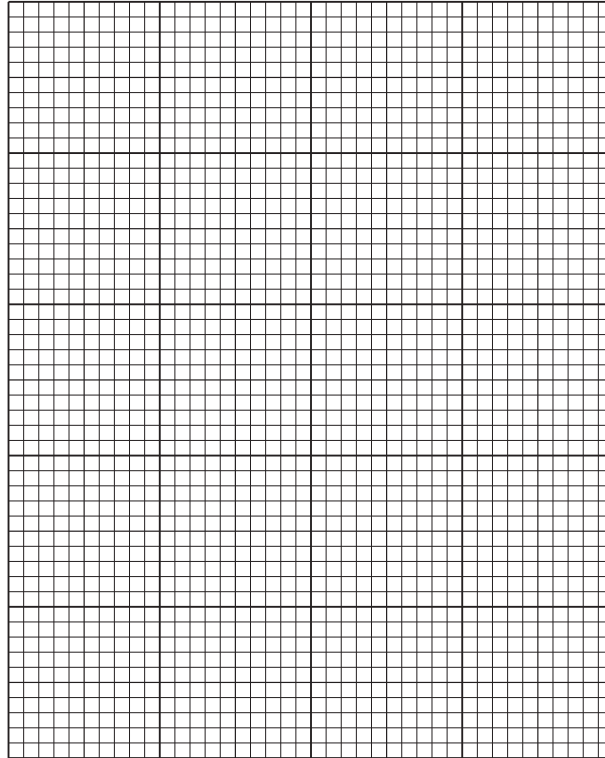
- (b) (i)** Suggest a piece of apparatus suitable for measuring the  $5\text{ cm}^3$  of aqueous barium nitrate more accurately than the measuring cylinder.

..... [1]

(ii) Explain why it is difficult to get an accurate value for the height of the precipitate.

.....  
 ..... [1]

(c) (i) On the grid, plot a graph of the height of precipitate (vertical axis) against volume of aqueous sodium carbonate added.



[3]

(ii) Draw the best-fit line.

[1]

(iii) Describe the relationship between the height of precipitate and the volume of aqueous sodium carbonate added.

.....  
 ..... [1]

(iv) Use your graph to estimate the height of the precipitate formed when 4.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of aqueous sodium carbonate is added to 5 cm<sup>3</sup> of aqueous barium nitrate.

Show clearly on your graph how you arrived at your answer.

..... mm [2]

(d) Suggest how the procedure can be adapted to increase confidence in the results.

.....  
 ..... [1]

[Total: 13]

[Turn over

2 You are going to investigate further the reaction in Question 1.

- (a) (i) In the experiment in Question 1, when aqueous sodium carbonate reacts with aqueous barium nitrate, a white precipitate forms.

The precipitate is separated from the mixture by filtration.

Draw a labelled diagram of the assembled filtration apparatus.

[1]

- (ii) Label the residue and the filtrate on your drawing in (a)(i).

[1]

**(b) Procedure**

Read the whole of **(b) before** doing the experiment.

- Put approximately 1 cm depth of aqueous sodium carbonate into a test-tube.
- Add approximately 1 cm depth of aqueous barium nitrate to the test-tube.
- Add approximately 3 cm<sup>3</sup> of dilute nitric acid to the test-tube.
- Identify the gas given off.

Keep the test-tube and contents for **(b)(iii)**.

- (i) Describe what you see in the test-tube when the dilute nitric acid is added.

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 .....  
 ..... [2]

- (ii) Describe the test which identifies the gas given off. Give the observation for the positive result.

test .....

observation ..... [1]

(iii) Use the test-tube from the end of the procedure in **2(b)** for this test.

- add a few drops of aqueous barium nitrate to the test-tube.

Record your observations.

.....  
..... [1]

(c) Barium nitrate is used to identify sulfate ions.

When aqueous barium nitrate is added to a solution of sulfate ions, a white precipitate is formed.

Explain why nitric acid is also added in the test for sulfate ions.

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..... [1]

**Remember to go back and complete Question 1.**

[Total: 7]

3 You are going to investigate the refraction of light by a transparent block.

You will use the diagram shown in Fig. 3.1.

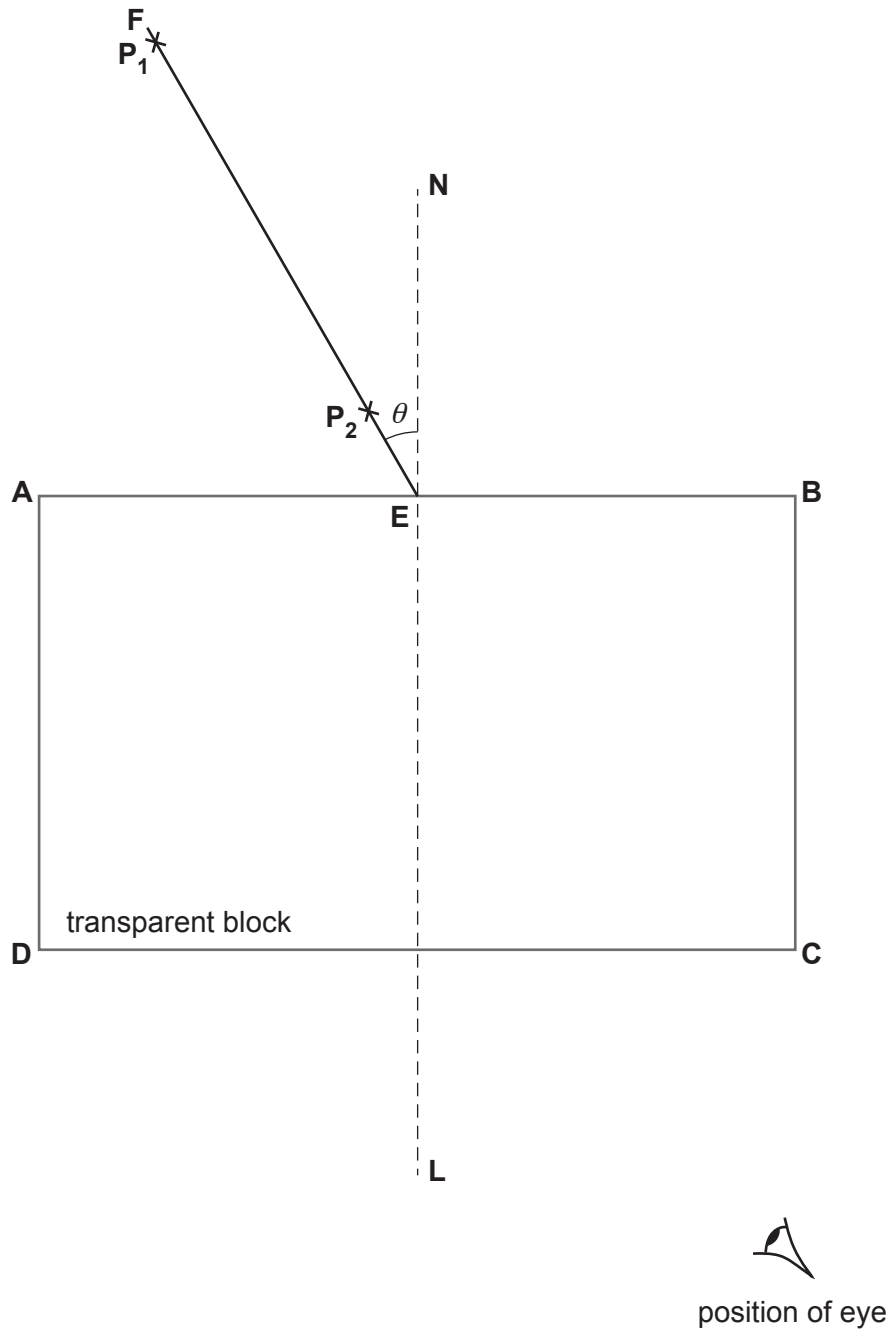


Fig. 3.1

(a) (i) Measure and record the angle  $\theta$  that line **FE** makes with the normal **NL**.

$\theta = \dots\dots\dots^\circ$  [1]

**(ii) Procedure**

- Arrange this paper so that page 6 lies over the pinboard provided.
- Place the block inside the labelled rectangle shown in Fig. 3.1.
- The longer side of the block must lie along **AB** with the normal **NL** crossing the longer side approximately in the centre.

The side of the block closest to the line **CD** is now referred to as side **CD**.

- Insert one pin at position **P<sub>1</sub>** and another pin at position **P<sub>2</sub>** on line **FE**.
- View the images of **P<sub>1</sub>** and **P<sub>2</sub>** through the side **CD** of the block from the position indicated by the eye. Move your head slightly so that the images of **P<sub>1</sub>** and **P<sub>2</sub>** appear one behind the other.
- Place a third pin between side **CD** and your eye, in line with the images of **P<sub>1</sub>** and **P<sub>2</sub>**. This is pin **P<sub>3</sub>**.
- Place a fourth pin a suitable distance from pin **P<sub>3</sub>**, in line with pin **P<sub>3</sub>** and the images of **P<sub>1</sub>** and **P<sub>2</sub>**. This is pin **P<sub>4</sub>**.
- Label the positions of the pins **P<sub>3</sub>** and **P<sub>4</sub>**.
- Remove the block and pins from the paper.
- Draw a line joining the positions of **P<sub>3</sub>** and **P<sub>4</sub>**.
- Continue the line until it meets the normal **NL** and label this point **H**.
- Also label the point at which the line crosses **CD** with the letter **G**.
- Join points **G** and **E** with a straight line. [2]

**(iii)** Measure the length *a* of line **GE**.

*a* = ..... cm

Measure the length *b* of line **GH**.

*b* = ..... cm

Calculate a value  $n_1$  for the refractive index.

Use the equation:

$$n_1 = \frac{a}{b}$$

Record your value of  $n_1$  to a suitable number of significant figures.

$n_1$  = ..... [3]

(b) You are now going to repeat the process using a different angle of incidence.

You will use the diagram shown in Fig. 3.2.

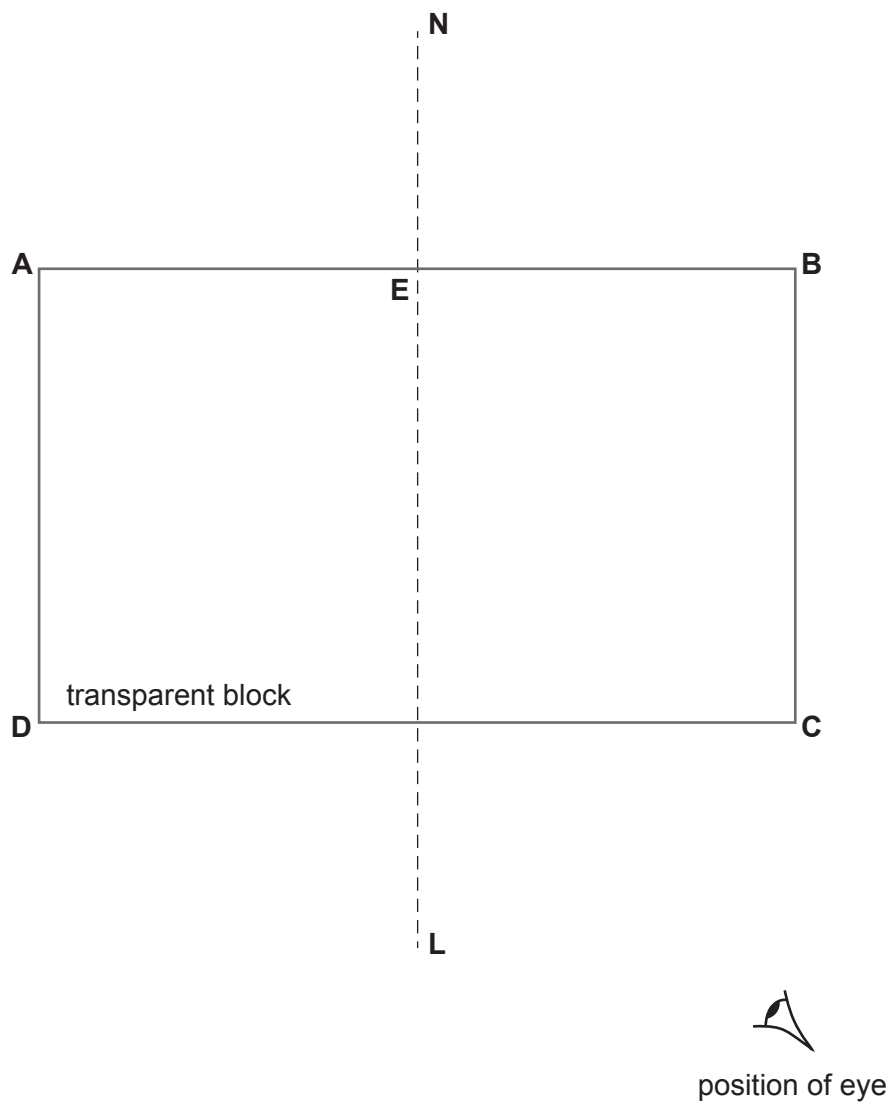


Fig. 3.2



## (i) Procedure

- On Fig. 3.2, draw a line to the left of the normal **NL** at an angle of incidence  $i = 50^\circ$ . Label the line **FE**.
- Arrange this paper so that page 8 lies over the pinboard provided.
- Place the block inside the labelled rectangle shown in Fig. 3.2 as in part (a)(ii).
- Insert two pins a suitable distance apart on line **FE**. Label the positions of the pins **P<sub>5</sub>** and **P<sub>6</sub>**.
- View the images of **P<sub>5</sub>** and **P<sub>6</sub>** through the side **CD** of the block from the position indicated by the eye. Move your head slightly so that the images of **P<sub>5</sub>** and **P<sub>6</sub>** appear one behind the other.
- Place a third pin between side **CD** and your eye, in line with the images of **P<sub>5</sub>** and **P<sub>6</sub>**. This is pin **P<sub>7</sub>**.
- Place a fourth pin a suitable distance from pin **P<sub>7</sub>**, in line with pin **P<sub>7</sub>** and the images of **P<sub>5</sub>** and **P<sub>6</sub>**. This is pin **P<sub>8</sub>**.
- Label the positions of the pins **P<sub>7</sub>** and **P<sub>8</sub>**.
- Remove the block and pins from the paper.
- Draw a line joining the positions of **P<sub>7</sub>** and **P<sub>8</sub>**.
- Continue the line until it meets the normal **NL** and label this point **H**.
- Also label the point at which the line crosses **CD** with the letter **G**.
- Join points **G** and **E** with a straight line. [1]

(ii) Measure the length  $c$  of line **GE**. $c = \dots\dots\dots$  cmMeasure the length  $d$  of line **GH**. $d = \dots\dots\dots$  cmCalculate a value  $n_2$  for the refractive index.

Use the equation:

$$n_2 = \frac{c}{d}$$

Record your value of  $n_2$  to a suitable number of significant figures.
 $n_2 = \dots\dots\dots$  [2]

- (c) (i) Two quantities are considered equal within the limits of experimental error if their values are within 10% of each other.

A student suggests that the values  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  should be considered equal.

State whether your results support this suggestion. Justify your answer by reference to your results.

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.....  
..... [2]

- (ii) Explain why the value  $n_2$  is likely to be a more accurate value for the refractive index than  $n_1$ .

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.....  
..... [1]

- (d) Suggest why different students, all doing this experiment carefully, may obtain slightly different results.

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.....  
..... [1]

[Total: 13]



4 Conducting putty is modelling clay that conducts electrical current.

Plan an experiment to investigate the relationship between the diameter  $d$  of the conducting putty and its resistance  $R$ .

Resistance is calculated using the equation

$$R = \frac{V}{I}$$

where  $V$  is the potential difference across the conductor and  $I$  is the current through the conductor.

The student has a battery pack, connecting leads and some conducting putty which can be moulded into a cylinder shape as shown in Fig. 4.1.



Fig. 4.1

Other apparatus normally available in a school laboratory may also be used.

You will **not** be doing this experiment.

Your plan should include:

- any additional apparatus needed
- a brief description of the method, including the measurements you make, a circuit diagram and the table you use to record your results (you are not required to enter any readings into the table)
- the variables to control
- the precautions you take to ensure the results are as accurate as possible
- an explanation of how you use your results to reach a conclusion.





## NOTES FOR USE IN QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS

## Tests for anions

<i>anion</i>	<i>test</i>	<i>test result</i>
carbonate ( $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ )	add dilute acid	effervescence, carbon dioxide produced
chloride ( $\text{Cl}^-$ ) [in solution]	acidify with dilute nitric acid, then add aqueous silver nitrate	white ppt.
bromide ( $\text{Br}^-$ ) [in solution]	acidify with dilute nitric acid, then add aqueous silver nitrate	cream ppt.
nitrate ( $\text{NO}_3^-$ ) [in solution]	add aqueous sodium hydroxide, then aluminium foil; warm carefully	ammonia produced
sulfate ( $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$ ) [in solution]	acidify, then add aqueous barium nitrate	white ppt.

## Tests for aqueous cations

<i>cation</i>	<i>effect of aqueous sodium hydroxide</i>	<i>effect of aqueous ammonia</i>
ammonium ( $\text{NH}_4^+$ )	ammonia produced on warming	–
calcium ( $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ )	white ppt., insoluble in excess	no ppt. or very slight white ppt.
copper(II) ( $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ )	light blue ppt., insoluble in excess	light blue ppt., soluble in excess, giving a dark blue solution
iron(II) ( $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ )	green ppt., insoluble in excess	green ppt., insoluble in excess
iron(III) ( $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ )	red-brown ppt., insoluble in excess	red-brown ppt., insoluble in excess
zinc ( $\text{Zn}^{2+}$ )	white ppt., soluble in excess, giving a colourless solution	white ppt., soluble in excess, giving a colourless solution

**Tests for gases**

<i>gas</i>	<i>test and test result</i>
ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	turns damp red litmus paper blue
carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> )	turns limewater milky
chlorine (Cl <sub>2</sub> )	bleaches damp litmus paper
hydrogen (H <sub>2</sub> )	'pops' with a lighted splint
oxygen (O <sub>2</sub> )	relights a glowing splint

**Flame tests for metal ions**

<i>metal ion</i>	<i>flame colour</i>
lithium (Li <sup>+</sup> )	red
sodium (Na <sup>+</sup> )	yellow
potassium (K <sup>+</sup> )	lilac
copper(II) (Cu <sup>2+</sup> )	blue-green

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