

Resistance & Resistivity

Mark Scheme 1

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Sub Topic	Resistance & Resistivity
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>85%	77.5%	70%	62.5%	57.5%	45%	<45%

- 1 (a) curved line showing decreasing gradient with temperature rise M1
- smooth line not touching temperature axis, not horizontal or vertical anywhere A1 [2]
- (b) (i) (no energy lost in battery because) no/negligible internal resistance B1 [1]
- (ii) $I = V/R$
- $= 8/15 \times 10^3$ or $1.6/3.0 \times 10^3$ or $2.4/4.5 \times 10^3$ or $12/22.5 \times 10^3$ C1
- $= 0.53 \times 10^{-3} \text{ A}$ A [2]
- (iii) p.d. across X = $12 - 8.0 - 3.0 \times 10^3 \times 0.53 \times 10^{-3}$ (= 2.4 V)
- $R_X = 2.4/(0.53 \times 10^{-3})$ C
- or
- $R_{\text{tot}} = 12/0.53 \times 10^{-3}$ (= $22.5 \times 10^3 \Omega$) (C1)
- $R_X = (22.5 - 15.0 - 3.0) \times 10^3$ (C1)
- $4.5(2) \times 10^3 \Omega$ A1 [3]
- (iv) resistance decreases hence current (in circuit) is greater M1
- p.d. across X and Y is greater hence p.d across Z decreases A1
- or explanation in terms of potential divider:
 R_Z decreases so $R_Z/(R_X + R_Y + R_Z)$ is less (M1)
 therefore p.d. across Z decreases (A1) [2]

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2	(a) $R = \rho l / A$	C1	
	$= (5.1 \times 10^{-7} \times 0.50) / \pi(0.18 \times 10^{-3})^2 = 2.5 (2.51) \Omega$	M1	[2]
	(b) (i) resistance of CD = $8 \times$ resistance of AB = $20 (\Omega)$	C1	
	circuit resistance = $[1/5.0 + 1/20]^{-1} = 4.0 (\Omega)$	C1	
	current = $V/R = 6.0/4.0$	C1	
	$= 1.5 \text{ A}$	A1	[4]
	(ii) power in AB = $I^2 R$	C1	
	$= (1.2)^2 \times 2.5 = 3.6 \text{ W}$	A1	[2]
	or power = V^2 / R		
	$= (3.0)^2 / 2.5 = 3.6 \text{ W}$		
	(iii) potential drop A to M = $1.25 \times 1.2 = 1.5 \text{ V}$	M1	
	potential drop C to N = 3.0 V		
	p.d. MN = 1.5 V	A1	[2]
3	(a) <u>random</u> error (in the measurements) of the length OR resistance	B1	[1]
	(b) gradient = $(3.6 - 1.9) / (0.8 - 0.4)$	C1	
	$= 4.25$	A1	[2]
	(c) $R = \rho l / A$	C1	
	$\rho = \text{gradient} \times \text{area} = 4.25 \times 0.12 \times 10^{-6}$	C1	
	$= 5.1(0) \times 10^{-7} \Omega \text{ m}$	A	[3]
	(d) resistance decreasing with increasing area	B1	
	correct shape with curve being asymptote to both axes	B1	[2]

- 4 (a) $R = \rho l / A$ C1
- $A = [\pi \times (0.38 \times 10^{-3})^2] / 4 (= 0.113 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2)$ C
- $R = (4.5 \times 10^{-7} \times 1.00) / ([\pi \times (0.38 \times 10^{-3})^2] / 4) = 4.0 (3.97) \Omega$ M1 [3]
- (b) (i) $I = V/R$ C1
 $= 2.0 / 5.0 = 0.4(0) \text{ A}$ A [2]
- (ii) p.d. across BD = $4 \times 0.4 = 1.6 \text{ V}$ A [1]
- (iii) p.d. across BC (l) = 1.5 (V)
- BC (l) = $(1.5 / 1.6) \times 100 = 94 (93.75) \text{ cm}$ [2]
- (c) p.d. across wire not balancing e.m.f. of cell OR cell Y has current energy lost or lost volts due to internal resistance B1
 B1 [2]
- 5 (a) ohm = volt / ampere B1 [1]
- (b) $\rho = RA / l$ or unit is $\Omega \text{ m}$ C
 units: $\text{VA}^{-1} \text{ m}^2 \text{ m}^{-1} = \text{NmC}^{-1} \text{ A}^{-1} \text{ m}^2 \text{ m}^{-1}$ C1
 $= \text{kg m}^2 \text{ s}^{-2} \text{ A}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ A}^{-1} \text{ m}^2 \text{ m}^{-1}$
 $= \text{kg m}^3 \text{ s}^{-3} \text{ A}^{-2}$ A1 [3]
- (c) (i) $\rho = [3.4 \times 1.3 \times 10^{-7}] / 0.9$ C1
 $= 4.9 \times 10^{-7} (\Omega \text{ m})$ [2]
- (ii) max = $2.0(0) \text{ V}$ A1
 min = $2 \times (3.4 / 1503.4) = 4.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ V}$ A1 [2]
- (iii) $P = V^2 / R$ or $P = VI$ and $V = IR$ C1
 $= (2)^2 / 3.4$
 $= 1.18 \text{ (allow } 1.2) \text{ W}$ A1 [2]
- (d) (i) power in Q is zero when $R = 0$ B1 [1]
- (ii) power in Q = 0 / tends to zero as $R = \text{infinity}$ B1 [1]

- 6 (a) (i) Start from (0,0) and smooth curve in correct direction
Curve correct for end section never horizontal B1
B1 [2]
- (ii) $R = V / I$ hence take co-ords of V and I from graph and calculate V / I B1 [1]
- (b) each lamp in parallel has a greater p.d. / greater current M1
lamp hotter M1
resistance of lamps in parallel greater A1 [3]
- (ii) $P = V^2 / R$ or $P = VI$ and $V = IR$ C1
 $R = 144 / 50 = 2.88$ for each lamp C1
total $R = 1.44 \Omega$ A1 [3]
- 7 (a) (i) either $P = V^2 / R$ or $P = VI$ and $V = IR$ C1
 $R = 4.0 \Omega$ A1 [2]
- (ii) sketch vertical axis labelled appropriately B1
(straight) line from origin then curved in correct direction B1
line passes through 12 V, 3.0 A B1 [3]
- (b) (i) 2.0 kW A1 [1]
- (ii) 0.5 kW A1 [1]
- (iii) total resistance = $3R / 2$ C1
power = 0.67 kW A1 [2]

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