MARK SCHEME for the October/November 2012 series

0625 PHYSICS

0625/51	Paper 5 (Practical), maximum raw mark 40

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1 (a) d_0 less than 900 mm and sensible [1]
Diagram correct [1]
Correct L values $(1 – 5)$, d values present and decreasing [1]
Correct e values [1]

(b) Graph:
Axes correctly labelled with quantity and unit and correct way around [1]
Suitable scales [1]

All plots correct to ½ small square [1]

Good line judgement; single, thin, continuous line [1]

(c) Triangle method used and shown on the graph [1]
Using at least half of line [1]

[Total: 10]

2 (a) sensible value for θ_R [1]

(b) to (d) Table:
s, °C, °C [1]
Times 0, 30, 60, 90, 120, 150 [1]
Both sets of temperatures present and decreasing [1]
0 – 30 s decrease greater than 120 – 150 s decrease [1]
Evidence of temperatures to 1 °C or better [1]

(c) Statement matches readings [1]
Justified with reference to numbers in table [1]

(e) Any two from:
Volumes of water
Room temperature/draughts
Same beaker
Initial water temperature [2]

[Total: 10]

3 (a) Correct symbols for ammeter, voltmeter and lamps [1]
Ammeter and voltmeter in correct positions [1]
Correct parallel circuit [1]

(b) I to at least 2 decimal places [1]
All voltages to at least 1 decimal place [1]
Correct calculation of R_A and units V, A, Ω at least once [1]

(c) (i) All V values present [1]

(ii) V_B 1 – 2.5 V [1]

(d) Statement matches readings [1]
Justified with idea of experimental inaccuracy [1]

[Total: 10]

4 Trace:
Normal at 90° in correct position (by eye) [1]
Angle of incidence 30° ± 2° [1]
All lines present and neat [1]
First P_1P_2 distance $\geq$ 5.0 cm [1]
All pin separations $\geq$ 5.0 cm [1]

(h) r value correct to ± 2° unit required [1]

(i) i/r value correct [1]

(j) r value correct to ± 2° unit required [1]
both i/r values to 2 or 3 significant figures and no unit [1]

(k) Idea of within (or beyond) limits of experimental accuracy [1]

[Total: 10]