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1 **(a)** arrow indicating 0.4 V [1]

arrow indicating 0.08 A [1]

(b) graph:
- axes labelled with quantity AND unit [1]
- appropriate scales (plots occupying at least ½ grid) [1]
- plots all correct [1]
- well-judged line AND thin line, neat plots [1]

(c) **(i)** *G* present and triangle method seen using at least ½ line [1]

(ii) *R* in range 4.6 Ω to 4.9 Ω [1]

to 2 / 3 significant figures and with correct unit [1]

(d) statement matching graph with reference to straight line [1]

reference to passing through origin (within limits of experimental accuracy / owtte) [1]

(e) suitable change: [1]
e.g. reduce supply voltage / current,
use thinner / longer wire,
material with greater resistivity

[Total: 12]

2 **(a)** **(i)** l = 14.7 AND d = 2.5 [1]

(ii) boiling tube between blocks and ruler spanning gap [1]

suitable precaution e.g. [1]
measure in (at least) 2 places and take average,
avoid lip,
ensure blocks smooth,
no dirt between tube and block

(iii) V_1 = 72 [1]

(b) **(i)** V_2 = 54 [1]

(ii) line of sight perpendicular to reading / [1]
read from bottom of meniscus

(iii) V_3 correctly calculated [1]

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(c) (i) ρ = 1.7 to 1.8 [1]

unit g / cm^3 [1]

(ii) m = 32 (g) [1]

(d) suitable source of inaccuracy [1]
e.g.
- any reference to <u>why</u> tube is not a cylinder,
- tube may contain some water when mass taken,
- difficult to fill to brim and then pour out

appropriate effect on value of ρ <u>explained</u> [1]

[Total: 12]

3 (a) (i) normal correct [1]

(ii) θ = 40(°) [1]

(b) P_1, P_2 marked on line NM <u>and</u> separation > 5.0 cm [1]

(c) (i) thin lines all in correct place [1]

a = 8.1 to 8.3 (cm) <u>and</u> b = 5.2 to 5.5 (cm) [1]

(ii) n correctly calculated [1]

2 / 3 sig figs <u>and</u> no unit [1]

(d) any two suitable precautions: [2]
e.g.
- view pins from base / ensure pins upright,
- large pin separations
- use of thin pencil lines / sharp pencil / thin pins
- repeat with different angles

[Total: 9]

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4 **apparatus:** [1]
(set of) different sized beakers / containers, thermometer and stop clock / watch

method: [1]
pour hot water into container (and allow to cool)
and measure temperature and time

repeat for a second container with a different surface area [1]

precautions:
any two from: [2]
same volume of hot water
same initial hot water temperature
same room temperature or other environmental condition

graph:
temperature change / rate of cooling against surface area, [1]
temperature against time,
time to cool between fixed temperatures against surface area

additional point:
any one from: [1]
- at least 5 different surface areas,
- sensible range of container sizes given,
- sensible amount of water stated,
- use of lagging / insulating material for container walls,
- same type of container
- how surface area may be calculated

[Total: 7]

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