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Answer ALL questions.

1. You are required to determine the focal length,  $f$ , of a converging lens by investigating how the image distance,  $v$ , varies with the object distance,  $u$ . Use the apparatus listed below.

APPARATUS AND MATERIALS

- 12 V light bulb source
- Converging lens
- Lens holder
- Metre rule
- Screen
- Object

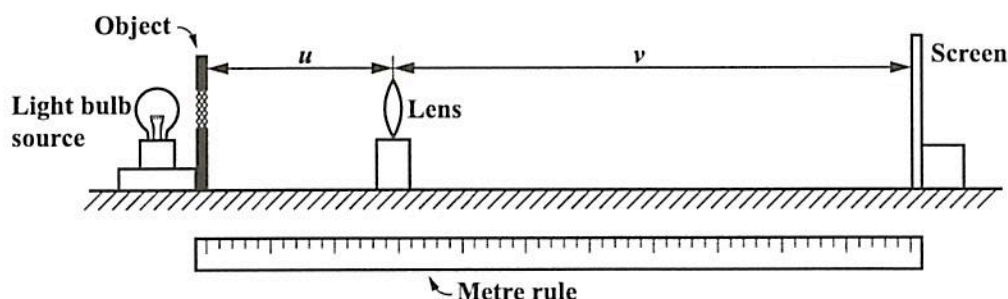


Figure 1. Set up of apparatus

PROCEDURE

1. Set up the apparatus as shown in Figure 1.
2. Place the converging lens so that its centre is 20.0 cm from the illuminated object, that is,  $u = 20.0$  cm.
3. Start the screen close to the lens, then move it away from the lens until a sharply focused image of the object is seen on the screen.
4. Measure the image distance,  $v$  (cm), from the centre of the lens to the screen, to 1 decimal place.
5. Record the value of  $v$  in Table 1 on page 6.
6. Repeat Steps 2 to 5, using the remaining values of  $u$  from Table 1 to determine the corresponding values of  $v$ .

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(a) Complete Table 1.

**TABLE 1: IMAGE DISTANCE AND OBJECT DISTANCE**

<b>Object Distance <i>u/cm</i></b>	<b>Image Distance <i>v/cm</i></b>
20.0	
21.5	
24.0	
30.0	
40.0	
50.0	
60.0	

**(4 marks)**

(b) Using the grid provided **on page 7**, plot a graph of image distance, *v/cm*, against object distance, *u/cm*. Draw the best smooth curve through the points. **(7 marks)**

(c) (i) Mark on your graph the points (0.0, 0.0) and (60.0, 60.0). Draw the straight line to join the points. **(2 marks)**

(ii) Read off the *x* value of the point where the straight line cuts the curve. Record this value as *S*. **(1 mark)**

*S* = ..... cm.

(iii) Use the value of *S* in (c) (ii) to calculate the focal length of the lens, *f*, given that  $f = \frac{S}{2}$ .

**(2 marks)**



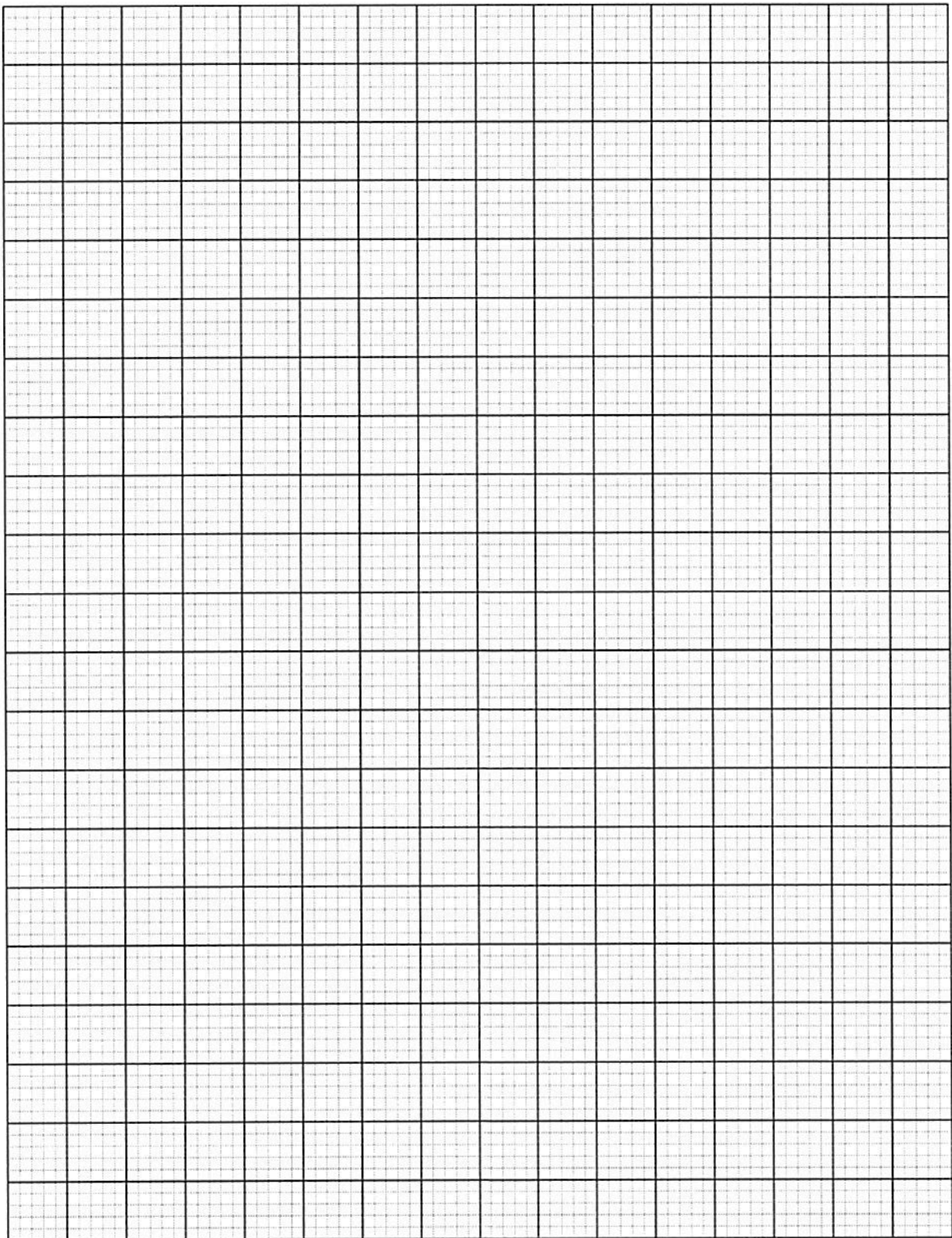


Figure 2. Graph of image distance,  $v/cm$ , versus object distance,  $u/cm$

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- (d) Identify TWO sources of error which could affect the accuracy of the values obtained for the image distance,  $v$ .

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(2 marks)

- (e) Choose any corresponding values of object distance,  $u$ , and image distance,  $v$ , from Table 1 in (a) and use these values to calculate the focal length,  $f$ . Use the equation  $f = \frac{uv}{u+v}$ .

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2. The apparatus in Figure 3 was used to investigate the relationship between pressure and volume for a fixed mass of gas.

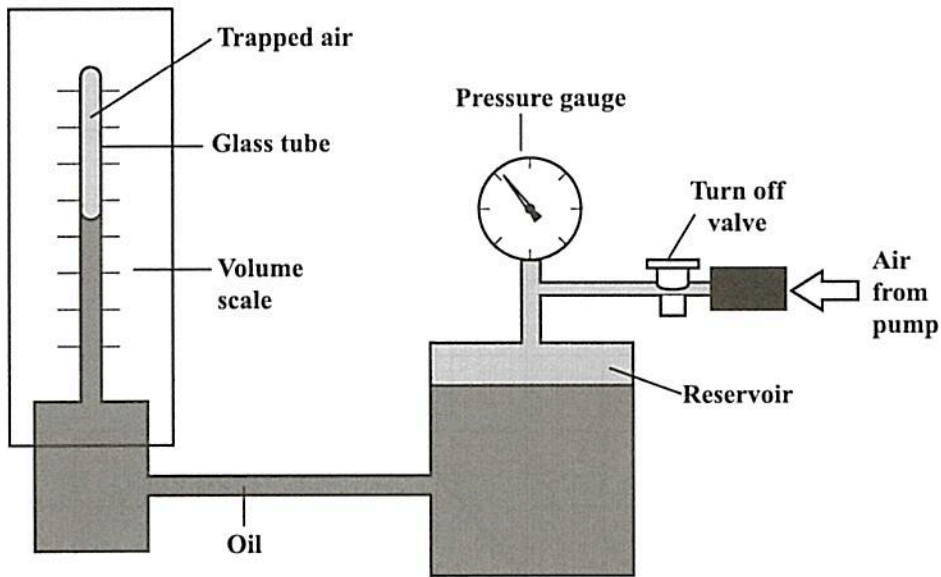


Figure 3. Apparatus to investigate the relationship between pressure and volume for a fixed mass of gas

- (a) Outline the procedure used to obtain the results.

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(b) Figure 4 shows a graph of the results obtained in the experiment.

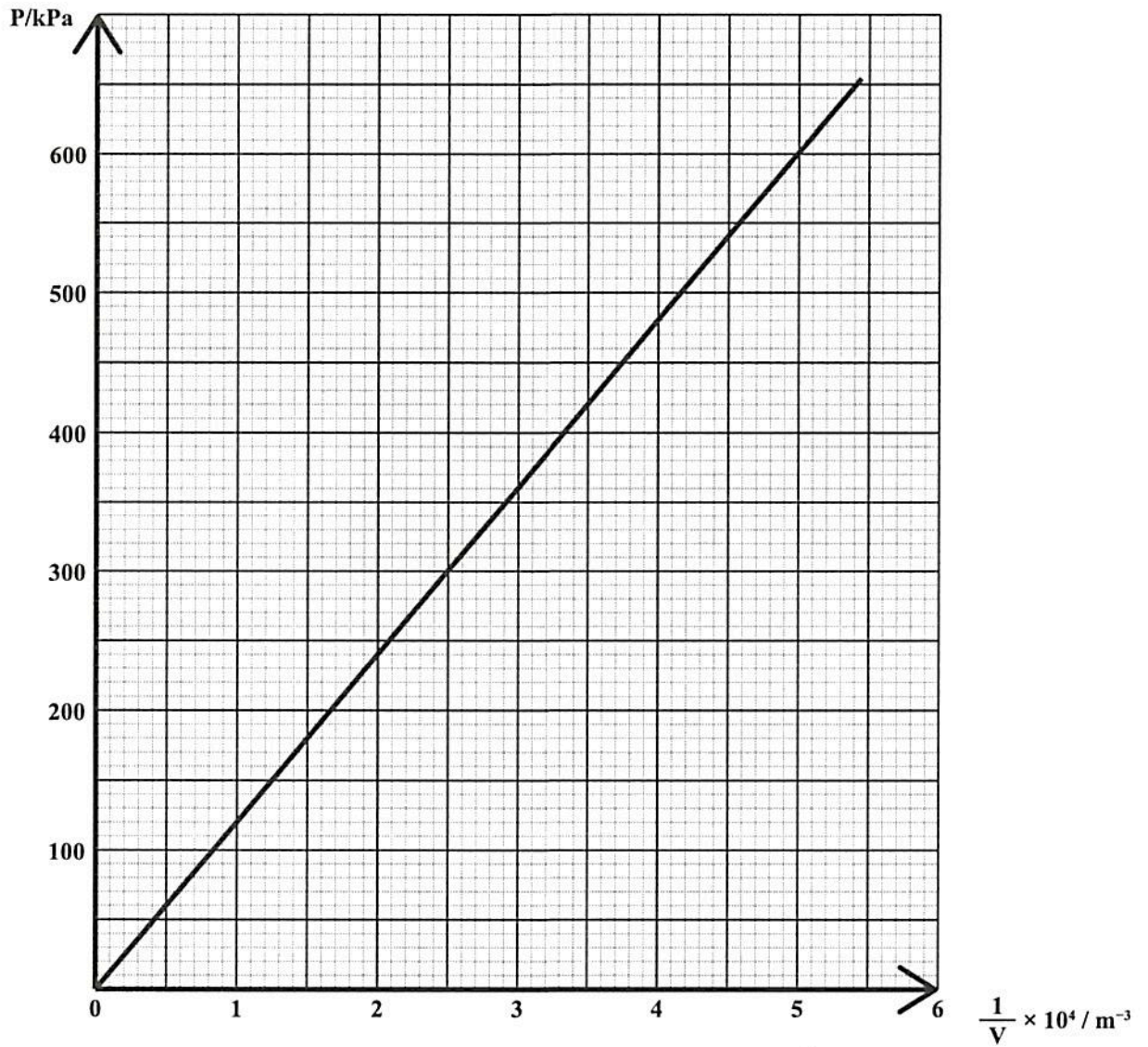


Figure 4. Graph of pressure, P/kPa, versus 1/volume,  $\frac{1}{V} \times 10^4 / \text{m}^{-3}$

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Using the graph on page 10, complete Table 2 which shows results obtained in the experiment.

**TABLE 2: RESULTS OBTAINED IN EXPERIMENT**

Volume ( $\text{m}^3$ )	Pressure (kPa)	1/Volume ( $\text{m}^{-3}$ )
$6.7 \times 10^{-5}$		$1.5 \times 10^4$
$5.0 \times 10^{-5}$	240	$2.0 \times 10^4$
$4.0 \times 10^{-5}$	300	
		$3.0 \times 10^4$
$2.5 \times 10^{-5}$	480	$4.0 \times 10^4$
$2.0 \times 10^{-5}$		$5.0 \times 10^4$

(5 marks)

(c) Calculate the slope,  $S$ , of the graph.

(4 marks)

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(d) How do the results verify Boyle's law?

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**(2 marks)**

(e) State TWO precautions that should be taken in the experiment.

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**Total 17 marks**



3. In a class discussion on thermal conductivity, a student hypothesizes that lead is a better conductor of heat than aluminium. Design an experiment using the equipment available in a typical Physics laboratory to test the student's hypothesis.

Your answer should include the following:

- (a) Apparatus

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- (b) Method

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(c) ONE safety precaution which should be taken

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(d) An explanation of the expected results of the experiment and the conclusion which could be reached to accept or reject the student's hypothesis

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