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Advanced Level and Advanced Subsidiary Level components and some Ordinary Level components.
1 Planning (15 marks)

Defining the problem (3 marks)

P \( r \) is the independent variable, \( B \) is the dependent variable or vary \( r \) and measure \( B \). \[1\]

P Keep the number of turns on the coil(s) constant. Do not accept “same coil”. \[1\]

P Keep the current in the coil constant. \[1\]

Methods of data collection (5 marks)

M Diagram showing flat coils and labelled Hall probe positioned at X. Minimum two labels needed. Solenoids will not be credited. \[1\]

M Workable circuit diagram for coil connected to a (d.c.) power supply and ammeter. Do not allow a.c. power supply or incorrect circuit diagrams. \[1\]

M Connect Hall probe to voltmeter/c.r.o. Allow galvanometer but do not allow ammeter. \[1\]

M Measure diameter (radius) with a ruler/vernier calipers. Do not allow micrometer. \[1\]

M Calibrate Hall probe with a known magnetic flux density. \[1\]

Method of analysis (2 marks)

A Plot a graph of \( B \) against \( 1/r \) [allow \( \log B \) against \( \log r \) or other valid graph] \[1\]

A \[ \mu_0 = \frac{\text{gradient}}{0.72NI} \] \[1\]

Safety considerations (1 mark)

S Precaution linked to (large) heating of coil, e.g. switch off when not in use to avoid overheating coil; do not touch coil because it is hot. \[1\]
Additional detail (4 marks)

D Relevant points might include [4]

1 Use large current / large number of turns to create a large magnetic field
2 Use rheostat (to adjust current in circuit) (with ammeter) to keep the current constant
3 Hall probe at right angles to direction of magnetic field / parallel to coils. Allow adjust to obtain maximum reading
4 Reasoned method to keep Hall probe perpendicular to direction of magnetic field or at X (e.g. use of set square, fix to rule, optical bench or equivalent)
5 Method to check coils are correctly aligned in parallel
6 Repeat experiment with Hall probe reversed and average
7 Repeat measurement for \( d \) (or \( r \)) and average
8 Relationship is valid if the graph is a straight line passing through the origin for appropriate graph
   [if \( \lg - \lg \) then straight line with gradient = \(-1\) (ignore reference to \( y \)-intercept)]

Do not allow vague computer methods.

[Total: 15]

2 Analysis, conclusions and evaluation (15 marks)

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| (a)  | A1 | gradient = \(-\frac{4\pi^2}{g}\)  
y-intercept = \(\frac{4\pi^2}{g}k\) | Gradient must be negative.  
Allow y-intercept = \(-\)gradient \(\times k\) |
| (b)  | T1 | (mean) \( t/s \), \( T/s \) and \( T^2/s^2 \) | All column headings to be correct. |
|      | T2 | 31.8 or 31.81  
30.8 or 30.80  
29.6 or 29.59  
28.7 or 28.73  
27.8 or 27.77  
26.8 or 26.83 | Check all values of \( T^2 \).  
Allow a mixture of significant figures. |
| (c)  | G1 | Six points plotted correctly | Must be within half a small square. Penalise “blobs”  
Ecf allowed from table. |
<p>|      | U1 | Error bars in ( d ) plotted correctly | All error bars to be plotted. Must be accurate to less than half a small square. |
| (c)  | G2 | Line of best fit | Lower end of line should pass between (1.60, 27.0) and (1.64, 27.0) and upper end of line should pass between (0.44, 31.8) and (0.48, 31.8). |</p>
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<td><strong>G3</strong></td>
<td>Worst acceptable straight line. Steepest or shallowest possible line that passes through all the error bars.</td>
<td>Line should be clearly labelled or dashed. Examiner judgement on worst acceptable line. Lines must cross. Mark scored only if all error bars are plotted.</td>
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<td><strong>(c) (iii)</strong></td>
<td><strong>C1</strong> Gradient of best fit line</td>
<td>Must be negative. The triangle used should be at least half the length of the drawn line. Check the read offs. Work to half a small square. Do not penalise POT. (Should be about –4.)</td>
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<td><strong>U2</strong> Uncertainty in gradient</td>
<td>Method of determining absolute uncertainty: difference in worst gradient and gradient.</td>
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<td><strong>(c) (iv)</strong></td>
<td><strong>C2</strong> y-intercept</td>
<td>FOX does not score. Check substitution into ( y = mx + c ) Allow ecf from <strong>(c)(iii)</strong>. (Should be about 33.7.)</td>
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<td>Uses worst gradient and point on WAL. Do not check calculation. FOX does not score.</td>
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<td><strong>(d) (i)</strong></td>
<td><strong>C3</strong> ( g ) between 9.20 and 9.90 given to 2 or 3 s.f. and correct unit (m s(^{-2})) having used gradient.</td>
<td>( g = -\frac{4\pi^2}{m} ); allow N kg(^{-1})</td>
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<td><strong>C4</strong> ( k ) determined correctly with correct unit (m)</td>
<td>( k = c - \frac{g}{4\pi^2} = -\frac{c}{m} ) (( k ) must be positive.)</td>
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<td><strong>U4</strong> Percentage uncertainty in ( g )</td>
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<td>Percentage uncertainty in ( k ) must be larger than the percentage uncertainty in ( g ).</td>
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### Uncertainties in Question 2

**(c) (iii)** Gradient [U2]

Uncertainty = gradient of line of best fit – gradient of worst acceptable line

Uncertainty = \( \frac{1}{2} \) (steepest worst line gradient – shallowest worst line gradient)

**c) (iv)** [U3]

Uncertainty = y-intercept of line of best fit – y-intercept of worst acceptable line

Uncertainty = \( \frac{1}{2} \) (steepest y-intercept – shallowest y-intercept)
(d) (ii) [U4]
Percentage uncertainty in \( g = \frac{\Delta m}{m} \times 100 = \frac{\Delta g}{g} \times 100 \)

[U5]
Percentage uncertainty in \( k = \frac{\Delta k}{k} \times 100 = \frac{\Delta g}{g} \times 100 + \frac{\Delta c}{c} \times 100 \)

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\begin{align*}
\text{max } k &= \frac{\text{max } g \times \text{max } y\text{-intercept}}{4\pi^2} = \frac{\text{max } y\text{-intercept}}{\text{min gradient}} \\
\text{min } k &= \frac{\text{min } g \times \text{min } y\text{-intercept}}{4\pi^2} = \frac{\text{min } y\text{-intercept}}{\text{max gradient}}
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