



# PHYSICS

## BOOKS - KVPY PREVIOUS YEAR

### KVPY 2021

#### Part I Physics

1. The ratio of radii of two wires of same material is 2: 1. If these wires are stretched by

equal forces, then the ratio of stresses produced in them will be

A.  $\frac{1}{4}$

B.  $\frac{1}{2}$

C.  $\frac{3}{4}$

D. 1

**Answer:**



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2. A submarine has a window of area  $30 \times 30 \text{cm}^2$  on its ceiling and is at a depth of 100m below sea level in a sea. If the pressure inside the submarine is maintained at the sea-level atmosphere pressure, then the force acting on the window is (consider density of sea water  $= 1.03 \times 10^3 \text{kg/m}^3$ , acceleration due to gravity  $= 10 \text{m/s}^2$ )

A.  $0.93 \times 10^5 \text{N}$

B.  $0.93 \times 10^3 \text{N}$

C.  $1.86 \times 10^5 \text{N}$

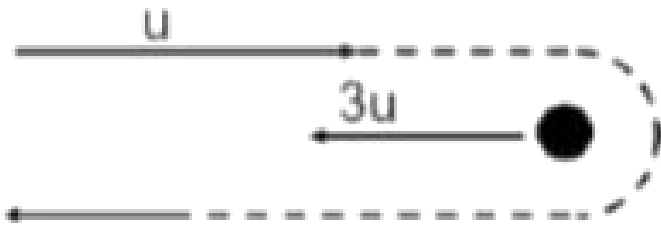
$$D. 1.86 \times 10^3 N$$

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**3.** A spacecraft which is moving with a speed  $u$  relative to the earth in the  $x$ -direction, enters the gravitational field of a much more massive planet which is moving with a speed  $3u$  in the negative  $x$ -direction. The spacecraft exits following the trajectory as shown below.



The speed of the spacecraft with respect to the earth a long time after it has escaped the planet's gravity is given by

- A.  $u$
- B.  $4u$
- C.  $2u$
- D.  $7u$

**Answer:**



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4. The earth's magnetic field was flipped by  $180^\circ$  a million years ago. This flip was relatively rapid and took  $10^5$  years. Then the average change in orientation per year during the flip was closest to,

A. 1 seconds

B. 5 seconds

C. 10 seconds

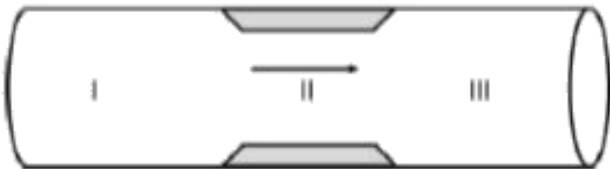
D. 30 seconds

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5. The platelets are drifting with the blood flowing in a streamline flow through a horizontal artery as shown below.



Artery is contracted in region II. Choose the correct statement.

A. As the platelets enter a constriction, the platelets get squeezed closer together in the narrow region and hence the fluid pressure must rise there.

B. As the platelets enter a constriction, pressure is lower there.

C. The artery's cross section area is smaller in the constriction and thus the



pressure must be larger there because  
pressure equals the force divided by  
area.

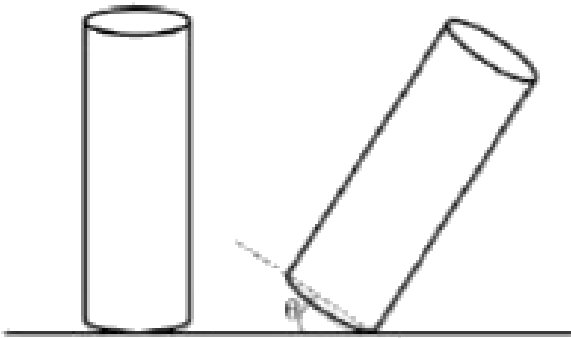
D. Pressure is same in all the parts of the  
artery.

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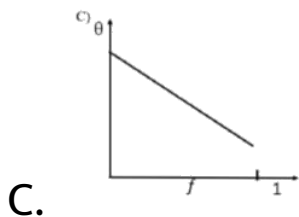
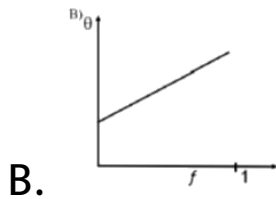
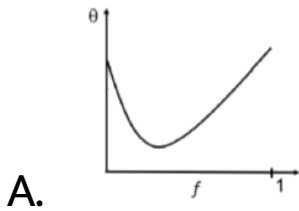
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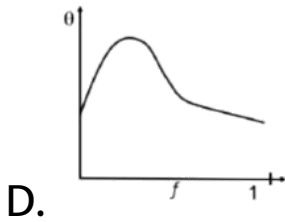
6. Figure below shows a shampoo bottle in a perfect cylindrical shape



In a simple experiment, the stability of the bottle filled with different amount of shampoo volume is observed. The bottle is tilted from one side and then released. Let the angle  $\theta$  depicts the critical angular displacement resulting in the bottle losing its stability and

tripping over. Choose the graph correctly depicting the fraction  $f$  of shampoo filled ( $f=1$  corresponds to completely filled) vs the tripping angle  $\theta$





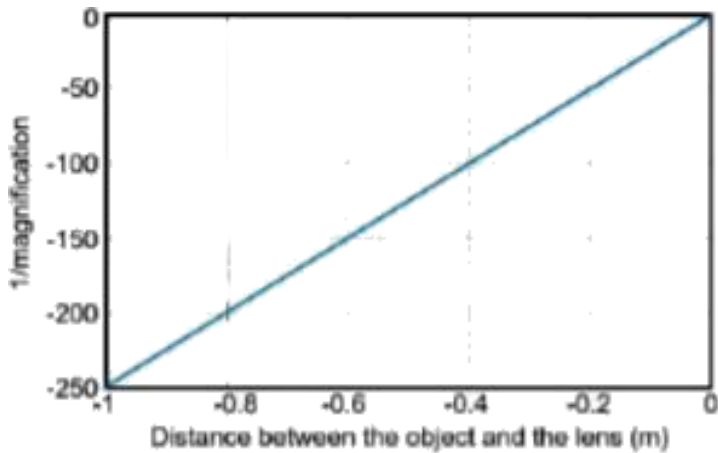
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7. The following graph depicts the inverse of magnification versus the distance between the object and lens data for a setup. The focal

length of the lens used in the setup is



A. 250m

B. 0.004m

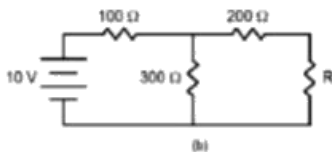
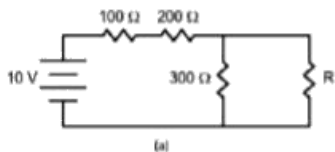
C. 125m

D. 0.002m

**Answer:**



8. A student was trying to constant the circuit shown in the figure below marked (a), but ended up constructing the circuit marked (b). Realizing her mistake, she corrected the circuit, but to her surpris, the output voltage (across R) did not change



A.  $100\ \Omega$

B.  $150\Omega$

C.  $200\Omega$

D.  $300\Omega$

**Answer:**



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9. The ratio of gravitational force and electrostatic repulsive force between two electrons is approximately (gravitational constant =  $6.7 \times 10^{-11} Nm^2 / Kg^2$ , mass of

an electron =  $9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$ , charge on an

electron =  $1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ )

A.  $24 \times 10^{-24}$

B.  $24 \times 10^{-36}$

C.  $24 \times 10^{-44}$

D.  $24 \times 10^{-54}$

**Answer:**

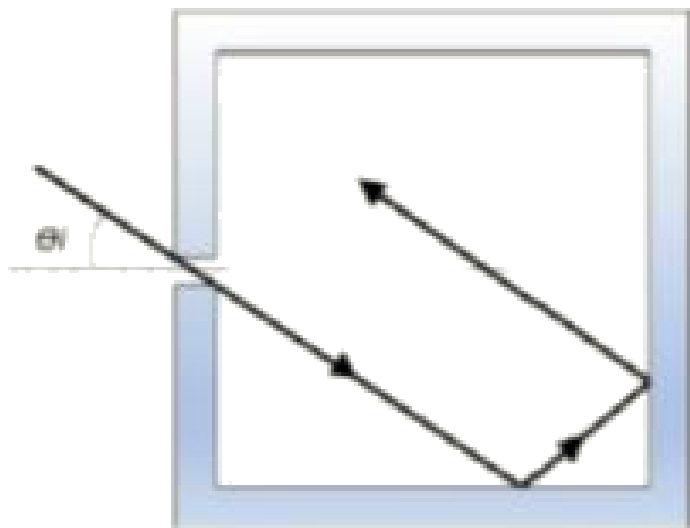


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**10.** A monochromatic beam of light enters a square enclosure with mirrored interior surface at an angle of incidence  $\theta_i (\neq 0)$  (see the figure below). For some value (s) of  $\theta_i$ , the beam is reflected by every mirrored wall (other than the one with the opening ) exactly once and exits the enclosure through the same hole. which of the following statements about

this beam is correct?



- A. The beam will not come out of the enclosure for any value of  $\theta_i$
- B. The beam will come out for more than two values of  $\theta_i$

C. The beam will come out only at

$$\theta_i = 45^\circ$$

D. The beam will come out for exactly two

value of  $\theta_i$

**Answer:**



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1. A proton and an antiproton come close to each other in vacuum such that the distance between them is 1.0 cm. Consider the potential energy to be zero at infinity. The velocity at this distance will be

A. 1.17m/s

B. 2.3 m/s

C. 3.0 m/s

D. 23m/s

**Answer:**



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2. The output voltage (taken across the resistance) of a LCR series resonant circuit falls to half its peak value at a frequency of 200 Hz and again reaches the same value at 800 Hz. The bandwidth of this circuit is

A. 200 Hz

B.  $200\sqrt{3}Hz$

C. 400 Hz

D. 600 Hz

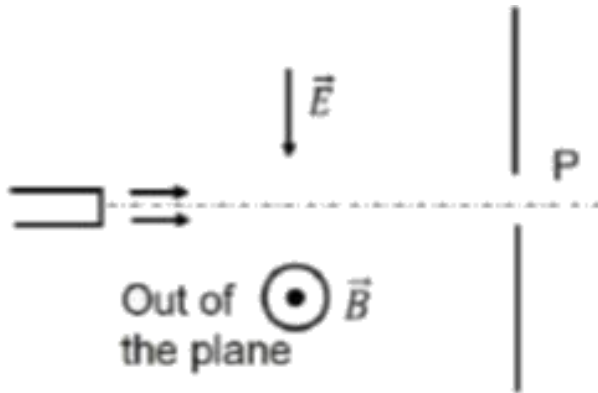
**Answer:**



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**3.** A collimated beam of charged and uncharged particles is directed towards a hole marked P on a screen as shown below. If the electric and magnetic fields as indicated below

are turned on.



A. only particles with speed  $E/B$  will go through the hole P.

B. only charged particles with speed  $E/B$  and neutral particles will go through ?

C. only neutral particles will go through P.

D. only positively charged particles with speed  $E/B$  and neutral particles will go through P

**Answer:**



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4. An engine runs between a reservoir at temperature 200 K and a hot body which is initially at temperature of 600 K. If the hot body cools down to a temperature of 400 K in



the process, then the maximum amount of work that the engine can do (while working in a cycle) is (the heat capacity of the hot body is  $1 \text{ J/K}$ )

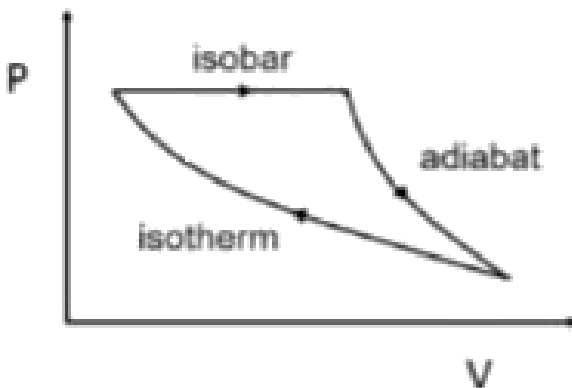
- A.  $200(1-\ln 2) \text{ J}$
- B.  $200(1-\ln 3/2) \text{ J}$
- C.  $200(1+\ln 3/2) \text{ J}$
- D.  $200 \text{ J}$

**Answer:**



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5. The efficiency of the cycle shown below in the figure ( consisting of one isobar , one adiabatic and one isotherm ( is 50 % the ratio  $\gamma$ , between the highest and lowest temperature attained in this cycle obeys ( the working substance is an ideal gas )



A.  $x = e^{x-1}$

B.  $x^2 = e^{x-1}$

C.  $x = e^{x^2-1}$

D.  $x^2 = e^{x^2-1}$

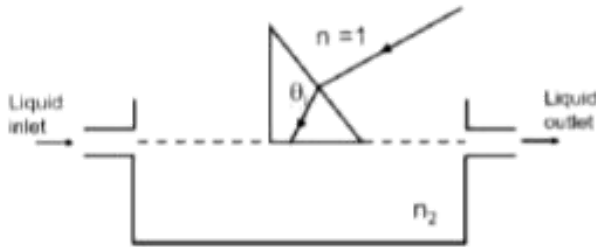
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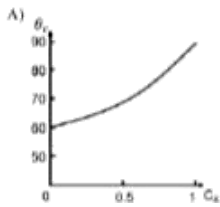
6. A right - angled isocoles prism is held on the surface of a liquid composed of miscible solvents A and B of refractive index

$n_A = 1.50$  and  $n_B = 1.30$  respectively . The refractive index of prism is  $n_p = 1.5$  and that of the liquid is given by  $n_L = C_A n_A + (1 - C_A) n_B$  where  $C_A$  is the percentage of solvent A in the liquid

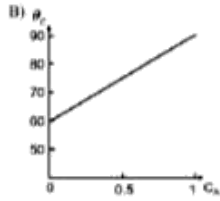


IF  $\theta_C$  is the critical angle at prism - liquid interface . the plot which best represents the variation of the critical angle with the percentage of solvent is

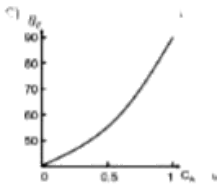
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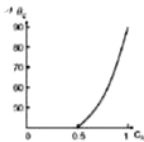
B.



C.



D.



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7. Instead of angular momentum quantization a student posits that energy is quantized as  $E = -E_0/n$  ( $E_0 > 0$ ) and  $n$  is a positive interger . Which of the following options is correct ?

A. The radius of the electron orbit is

$$r \propto \sqrt{n}$$

B. The speed of the electron is  $v \propto \sqrt{n}$

C. The angular speed of the electron is

$$\omega \propto 1/n$$

D. The angular momentum of the electron

$$\text{is } \propto \sqrt{n}$$

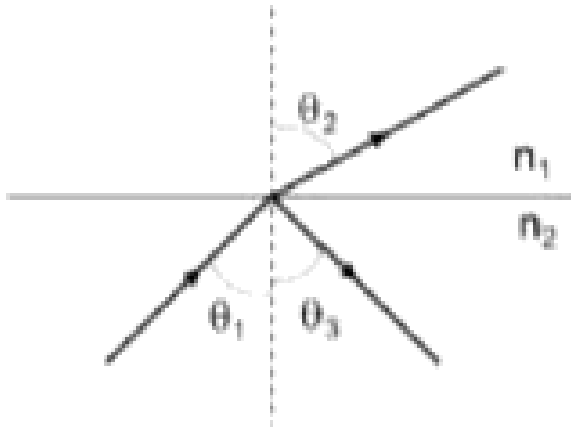
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**8.** A monochromatic beam of light is incident at the interface of two materials of refractive index  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  as shown . If  $n_1 > n_2$  and  $\theta_C$  is the critical angle then which of the

following statements is NOT true ?



- A.  $\theta_1 = \theta_3$  for all values of  $\theta_1$
- B.  $\cos \theta_2$  is imaginary for  $\theta_1 > \theta_c$
- C.  $\cos \theta_2 = 0$  for  $\theta_1 = \theta_c$
- D.  $\cos \theta_3$  is imaginary for  $\theta_1 = \theta_c$

**Answer:**





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9. The intensity of light from a continuously emitting laser source operating at 638 nm wavelength is modulated at 1 GHz . The modulation is done by momentarily cutting the intensity off with a frequency of 1 GHz . What is the farthest distance apart two detectors can be placed in the line of the laser light so that they can see the portions of the same pulse simultaneously ? ( consider the speed of light in air  $3 \times 10^8 m / s$  )

A.  $30 \mu\text{m}$

B. 30 cm

C. 3 m

D. 30 m

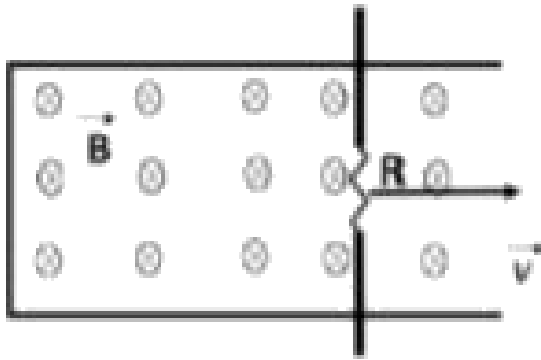
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**10.** A conducting rod, with a resistor of resistance  $R$ . is pulled with constant speed  $v$  on a smooth conducting rail as shown in

figure. A constant magnetic field  $\vec{B}$  is directed into the page. If the speed of the bar is doubled, by what factor does the rate of heat dissipation across the resistance  $R$  change?



- A. 0
- B.  $\sqrt{2}$
- C. 2

D.4

**Answer:**



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**11.** Consider the following statements regarding the real images formed with a converging lens. | -Real images can be seen only if the image is projected onto the screen .  
(2)The real image can be seen only from the same side of the lens as that on which the

object is positioned. (3)Real images produced by converging lenses are not only laterally but also longitudinally inverted as with mirrors.

Which of the above statement/statements is/are incorrect?

A. Only I and III

B. All three

C. None

D. Only II

**Answer:**



**12.** A zinc ball of radius,  $R=1$  cm charged to a potential  $-0.5$  V. The ball is illuminated by a monochromatic ultraviolet (UV) light with a wavelength  $290$  nm. The photoelectric threshold for zinc is  $332$  nm. The potential of ball after a prolonged exposure to the UV is

A.  $-0.5V$

B.  $0V$

C.  $0.54V$

D.  $0.79V$

**Answer:**



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**13.** A source simultaneously emitting light at two wavelengths 400 nm and 800 nm is used in the Young's double slit experiment. If the intensity of light at the slit for each wavelength is  $I_0$ , then the maximum intensity

that can be observed at any point on the screen is

A.  $I_0$

B.  $2I_0$

C.  $4I_0$

D.  $8I_0$

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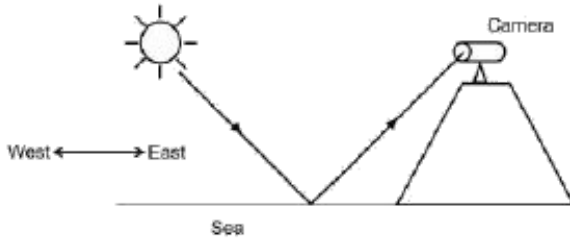


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1. A camera filled with a polarizer is placed on a mountain in a manner to record only the reflected image of the sun from the surface of a shown in the figure. If the sun rise at 6.00 AM and sets at 6.00 PM during the summer, then at what time in the afternoon will the recorded image have the lowest intensity, assuming there are no clouds and intensity of the sun at the sea surface is constant

throughout the day?



A. 12.32 PM

B. 3.32PM

C. 5.00PM

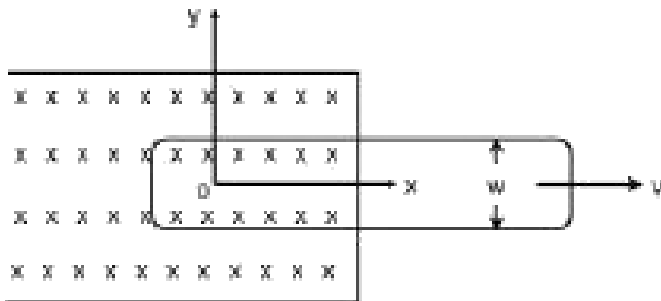
D. 6.00PM

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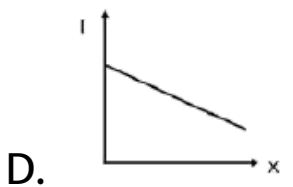
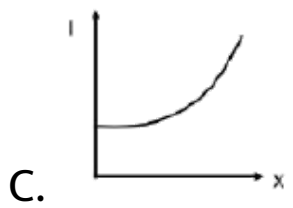
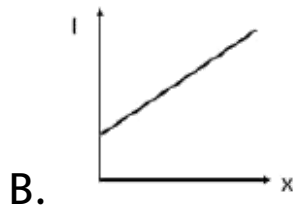
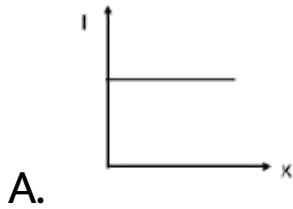
2. Suppose a long rectangular loop of width  $w$  is moving along the  $x$ -direction with its left arm in a magnetic field perpendicular to the plane of the loop (see figure). The resistance of the loop is zero and it has an inductance  $L$ . At time  $t = 0$ , its left arm passes the origin  $O$ .



If for  $t \geq 0$  the current in the loop is  $I$  and the

distance of its left arm from the origin is  $x$

then  $I$  versus  $x$  graph will be



**Answer:**



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3. Imagine a world where free magnetic charges exist. In this world, a circuit is made with a U shape wire and a rod free to slide on it. A current carried by free magnetic charges can flow in the circuit. When the circuit is placed in a uniform electric field.  $E$  perpendicular to the plane of the plane of the circuit and the rod is pulled to the right with a constant speed  $v$ , the "magnetic EMF" in the current and the direction of the

corresponding current. arising because of changing electric flux will be ( $l$  is the length of the rod and  $c$  is speed of light).

A.  $vEl$  clockwise.

B.  $vEL$  counterclock wise

C.  $\frac{vEl}{c^2}$  clockwise

D.  $\frac{vEl}{c^2}$  counterclockwise

**Answer:**

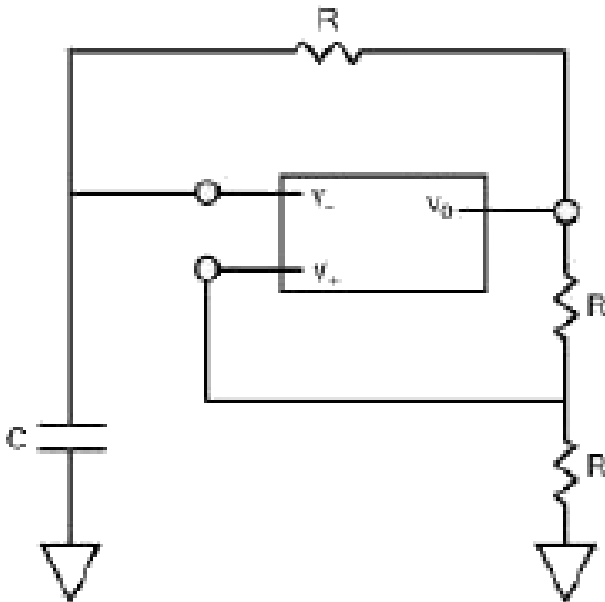


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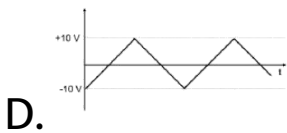
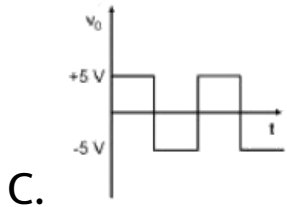
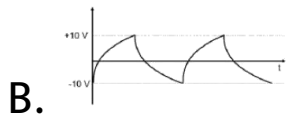
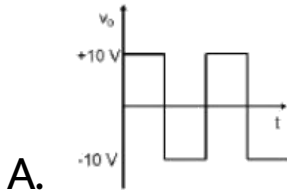
4. The box in the circuit below has two inputs marked  $v_+$  and  $v_-$  and a single output marked  $V_o$ . The output obeys

$$+10V \text{ if } v_+ > v_-$$

$$V_o = -10V \text{ if } v_+ < v_-$$



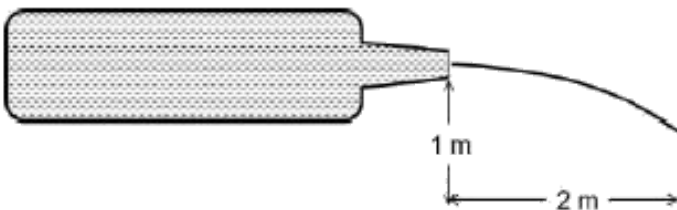
The output  $V_0$  of this circuit a long time after is switched on is best represented by



**Answer:**



5. A bottle has a thin nozzle on top. It is filled with water, held horizontally at a height of 1 m and squeezed slowly by hands so that the water jet coming out of the nozzle hits the ground at a distance of 2m . If the area over which the hands squeeze it is  $10\text{cm}^2$ . the force applied by hand is close to (take  $g= 10\text{ m} / \text{s}^2$  and density of water= $1000\text{ kg} / \text{m}^3$  )



A. 20N

B. 10 N

C. 5 N

D. 2.5 N

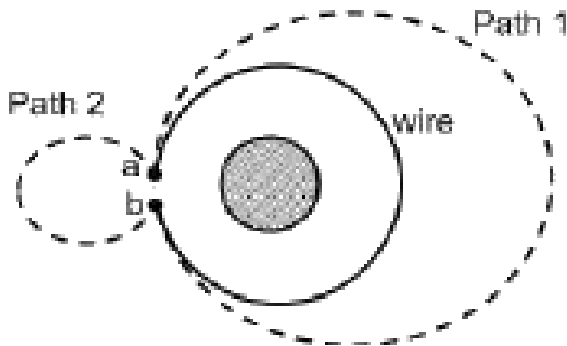
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6. The circular wire in figure below encircles solenoid in which the magnetic flux is increasing at a constant rate out of the plane

of the page.



The clockwise emf around the circular loop is  $\epsilon_0$ . By definition a voltmeter measures the voltage difference between the two points

given by  $V_b - V_a = - \int_a^b \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$ . We assume

that a and b are infinitesimally close to each

other. The values of  $V_b - V_a$  along the path 1

and  $V_a - V_b$  along the path 2, respectively are

A.  $-\varepsilon 0, -\varepsilon 0$

B.  $-\varepsilon, 0$

C.  $-\varepsilon, \varepsilon l o 0$

D.  $\varepsilon, \varepsilon 0$

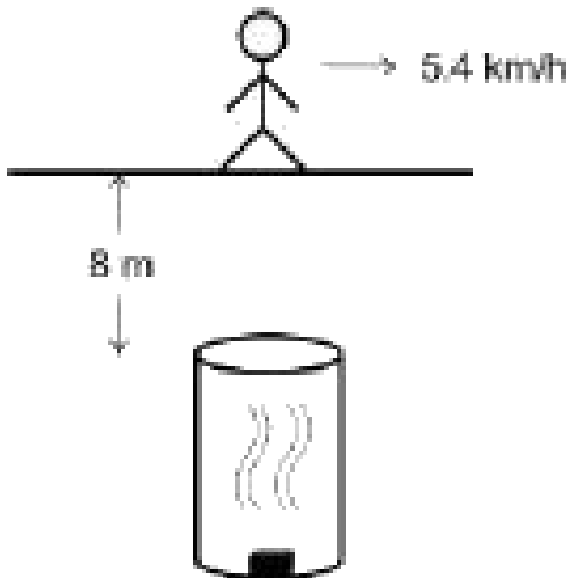
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7. A student is jogging on a straight path with the speed 5.4 km per hour. Perpendicular to the path is kept a pipe with its opening 8m

from the road (see figure). Diameter of the pipe is 0.45 m . At the other end of the pipe is a speaker emitting sound of 1280 Hz towards the opening of the pipes. As the student passes in front of the pipe, she hears the speaker for T seconds. T is in the range (Take speed of sound, 320 m/s)



A.  $6 - 12$

B.  $12 - 18$

C.  $3 - 6$

D.  $18 - 22$

**Answer:**



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**8.** A solar cell is to be fabricated for efficient conversion of solar radiation to emf using material A. The solar cell is to be mechanically

protected with the help of a coating using material B. If the band gap energy of materials A and B are  $E_A$  and  $E_B$  respectively, then which of the following choices is optimum for better performance of the solar cell.

A.  $E_A = 1.5eV, E_B = 5eV$

B.  $E_A = 1.5eV, E_b = 1.5eV$

C.  $E_A = 3eV, E_B = 1.5eV$

D.  $E_A = 0.5eV, E_B = 5eV$

**Answer:**



9. The "Kangri" is an earthen pot used to stay warm in Kashmir during the winter months. Assume that the "Kangri" is spherical and its surface area is  $7 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^2$ . It contains 300 g of a mixture of coal, wood, and leaves with a calorific value of 30 kJ/g (and provides heat with 10% efficiency.) The surface temperature of the "Kangri" is  $60^\circ \text{ C}$  and the room temperature is  $0^\circ \text{ C}$ . Then, a reasonable estimate for the duration  $t$  (in hours) that the



"kangri" heat will last is (take the "kangri" to be a black body).

- A. 8
- B. 10
- C. 12
- D. 16

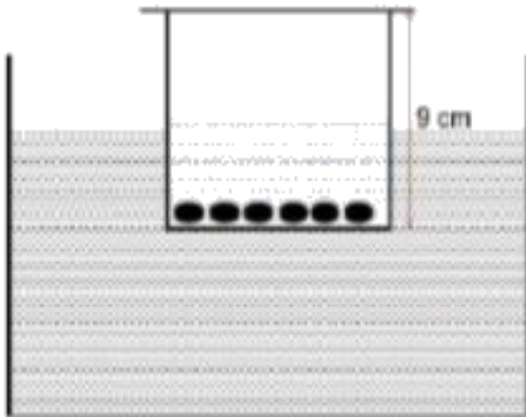
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1. A wide bottom cylindrical massless plastic container of height 9 cm has 40 identical coins inside it and is floating on water with 3 cm inside the water. If we start putting more of such coins on its lid. It is observed that after  $N$  coins are put, its equilibrium changes from stable to unstable. Equilibrium in floating is stable if the geometric center of the submerged portion is above the center of

mass of the object) The value of  $N$  is closed to



- A. 6
- B. 10
- C. 16
- D. 24

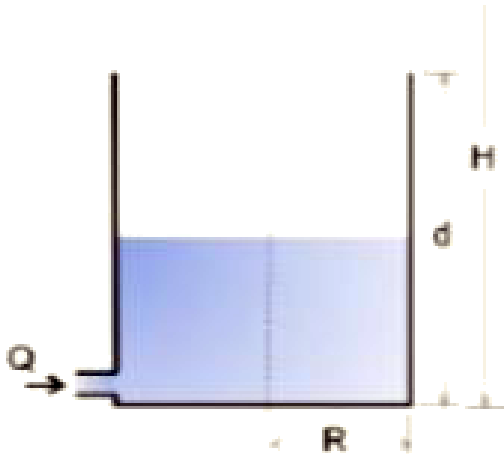
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2. A small coin is fixed at the center of the base of an empty cylindrical steel container having radius  $R = 1 \text{ m}$  and height  $d = 4 \text{ m}$ . At time  $t = 0 \text{ s}$ , the container starts getting filled with water at a flowrate of  $Q = 0.1 \text{ m}^3 / \text{s}$  without disturbing the coin. Find the approximate time when the coin will first be seen by the observer "O" from the height of  $H = 5.75 \text{ m}$  above and  $L = 1.5 \text{ m}$  radially away from the coin as shown in the figure. Refractive

index of water in  $n = 1.33$



A. 0 s

B. 32 s

C. 63 s

D. 150 s

**Answer:**



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