

UPCATET Physics Sample Paper-2

Duration: 45 Minutes

Maximum Marks: 200

Instructions

- This paper contains **50** Multiple Choice Questions.
- Each correct answer carries **+4** mark. Incorrect answer: **-1** marks. Only **one** correct option.
- Unattempted questions carry **0** marks.
- Use of mobile phones, smartwatches, or any electronic gadgets is strictly prohibited.

Q1. A variable mass rocket initially at rest has an structural mass m_0 and contains fuel of mass m_f . It ejects gas at a constant relative velocity u with respect to the rocket frame. If the fuel consumption rate matches $\frac{dm}{dt} = -km(t)$, where k is a positive scalar constant, determine the exact mathematical expression for the velocity $v(t)$ of the rocket at any time t before the fuel runs out, neglecting external gravitational and drag profiles.

- (A) $v(t) = u \cdot kt$
 (B) $v(t) = u \ln\left(\frac{m_0+m_f}{m(t)}\right)$
 (C) $v(t) = u \cdot (1 - e^{-kt})$
 (D) $v(t) = \frac{u}{k} \ln(t)$

Q2. A conservative force field acting on a subatomic system is represented by the potential energy function $U(x, y) = \alpha x^4 - \beta x^2 y^2$, where α and β are positive dimensionally consistent constants. Determine the corresponding vector force configuration \vec{F} working across this two-dimensional reference space.

- (A) $\vec{F} = (4\alpha x^3 - 2\beta xy^2) \hat{i} - (2\beta x^2 y) \hat{j}$
 (B) $\vec{F} = (-4\alpha x^3 + 2\beta xy^2) \hat{i} + (2\beta x^2 y) \hat{j}$
 (C) $\vec{F} = (4\alpha x^3) \hat{i} - (2\beta y^2) \hat{j}$
 (D) $\vec{F} = -(4\alpha x^3 + \beta y^2) \hat{i} + (2\beta xy) \hat{j}$



Q3. A heavy particle of mass m is suspended from a ceiling by a light inextensible cord of length L , creating a conical pendulum. If the string maintains a constant sweep angle θ relative to the true vertical axis, calculate the exact mechanical tension T experienced by the cord and the square of the operational orbital angular frequency ω^2 of this system.

(A) $T = mg \cos \theta, \quad \omega^2 = \frac{g}{L}$

(B) $T = \frac{mg}{\cos \theta}, \quad \omega^2 = \frac{g}{L \cos \theta}$

(C) $T = mg \tan \theta, \quad \omega^2 = \frac{g \sin \theta}{L}$

(D) $T = \frac{mg}{\sin \theta}, \quad \omega^2 = \frac{g}{L \tan \theta}$

Q4. A projectile is launched from the origin across a horizontal surface with an initial velocity vector given by $\vec{v}_0 = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j}$. If a steady horizontal wind imposes a constant retarding acceleration component $-a_w \hat{i}$ throughout the complete flight phase, deduce the exact coordinate parameters at the point where the maximum height is achieved.

(A) $\left(\frac{v_x v_y}{g} - \frac{a_w v_y^2}{2g^2}, \frac{v_y^2}{2g} \right)$

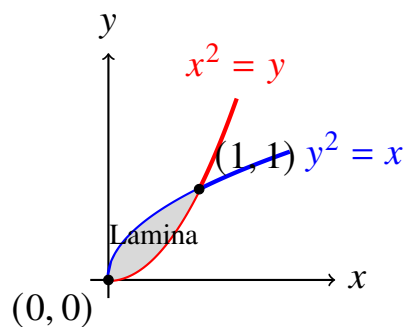
(B) $\left(\frac{v_x^2}{2a_w}, \frac{v_y^2}{g} \right)$

(C) $\left(\frac{v_x v_y}{2g}, \frac{v_y^2}{4g} \right)$

(D) $\left(\frac{v_x v_y}{g}, \frac{v_y^2}{2g} - \frac{a_w v_x^2}{g^2} \right)$

Q5. An advanced structural mechanics test setup evaluates the rotational kinetic attributes of a non-uniform planar lamina bounded within the first quadrant by the parabolas $y^2 = x$ and $x^2 = y$. The system is visualized below. If the localized area mass density scales non-linearly as $\sigma(x, y) = \sigma_0 xy$, locate the exact position coordinate of the center of mass (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) of this lamina:





- (A) $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$
 (B) $\left(\frac{12}{23}, \frac{12}{23}\right)$
 (C) $\left(\frac{9}{14}, \frac{9}{14}\right)$
 (D) $\left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}\right)$

Q6. A uniform solid cylinder of mass M and radius R is placed on a rough horizontal conveyor belt that accelerates from rest with a uniform acceleration a_0 . If the cylinder rolls perfectly without slipping on the moving belt surface, determine the net linear acceleration a_{cm} of the cylinder center of mass relative to an absolute stationary inertial observer.

- (A) $a_{cm} = a_0$
 (B) $a_{cm} = \frac{1}{3}a_0$
 (C) $a_{cm} = \frac{2}{3}a_0$
 (D) $a_{cm} = \frac{1}{2}a_0$

Q7. A binary star system consists of two stars with masses M_1 and M_2 separated by a distance R . They revolve around their common center of mass under their mutual gravitational attraction. Find the absolute orbital period T of this binary stellar framework.

- (A) $T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{R^3}{G(M_1+M_2)}}$
 (B) $T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{R^3}{GM_1M_2}}$
 (C) $T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{R^3(M_1+M_2)}{GM_1M_2}}$



$$(D) T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{R^2}{G(M_1+M_2)^2}}$$

Q8. A solid sphere of mass m and radius r released from rest slides down a frictionless track profile from a height h before transitioning into a smooth circular loop of radius R ($R \gg r$). If the sphere is then modified so that it rolls perfectly without slipping down a rough variant of the track, determine the new minimum height h_{roll} required to ensure the sphere completes the loop without falling off at the apex.

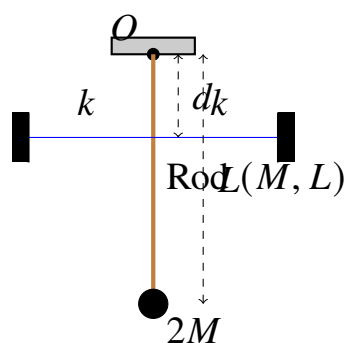
$$(A) h_{roll} = 2.5R$$

$$(B) h_{roll} = 2.7R$$

$$(C) h_{roll} = 3.0R$$

$$(D) h_{roll} = 3.5R$$

Q9. An advanced aerodynamics research group configures a double-pivoted physical pendulum consisting of a thin uniform rod of mass M and length L combined with a heavy point-mass particle $2M$ fixed rigidly at its lower tip. The pendulum assembly is suspended horizontally by two symmetric light springs, each with a stiffness constant k , attached at a distance d from the top smooth hinge as shown in the schematic diagram below. Deduce the exact natural angular frequency ω_n of this system for small-amplitude angular oscillations:



$$(A) \omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{5gL+4kd^2}{3L^2}}$$

$$(B) \omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{2.5gL+2kd^2}{2.33L^2}}$$

$$(C) \omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{3gL+4kd^2}{2L^2}}$$



$$(D) \omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{7gL+6kd^2}{7L^2}}$$

Q10. A high-precision satellite orbits a spherical planet of mass M and radius R in a circular trajectory at an altitude exactly equal to $2R$ above the planet's surface. If the satellite must be completely ejected out of the planet's localized gravitational field, calculate the percentage increase required in its instantaneous orbital kinetic energy.

- (A) 50%
- (B) 100%
- (C) 141.4%
- (D) 200%

Q11. A block of mass m moving at velocity v_0 on a horizontal frictionless track collides with a stationary block of mass M . The collision profile exhibits a coefficient of restitution e . Deduce the absolute fraction of the initial kinetic energy lost during this mechanical impact.

- (A) $\Delta K_{frac} = \frac{M}{m+M}(1 - e^2)$
- (B) $\Delta K_{frac} = \frac{m}{m+M}(1 + e^2)$
- (C) $\Delta K_{frac} = \frac{M}{m}(1 - e)$
- (D) $\Delta K_{frac} = \frac{mM}{(m+M)^2}(1 - e^2)$

Q12. A thin uniform hoop of mass M and radius R is hung on a sharp horizontal nail fixed to a wall, allowing it to oscillate freely as a physical pendulum in its vertical plane. Calculate the exact length of an equivalent simple pendulum that would exhibit an identical small-amplitude oscillation frequency.

- (A) $L_{eq} = R$
- (B) $L_{eq} = 1.5R$
- (C) $L_{eq} = 2R$
- (D) $L_{eq} = 0.5R$



Q13. An isolated thin spherical conducting shell of radius R carries a total excess net charge $+Q$. If a point charge $-q$ is introduced at the center of this shell configuration, determine the precise electric field intensity $E(r)$ and electrostatic potential $V(r)$ at a radial position point r where $0 < r < R$.

(A) $E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q-q}{r^2}$, $V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q-q}{r}$

(B) $E = \frac{-1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r^2}$, $V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{Q}{R} - \frac{q}{r} \right)$

(C) $E = 0$, $V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{R}$

(D) $E = \frac{-1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r^2}$, $V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q-q}{R}$

Q14. A non-uniform cylindrical wire of radius a carries a total current I . If the internal current density profile varies radially across the cross-section matching $J(r) = J_0 \left(1 - \frac{r}{a} \right)$, evaluate the magnetic field induction vector magnitude B inside the wire matrix at a distance r_0 ($r_0 < a$) from the central axis.

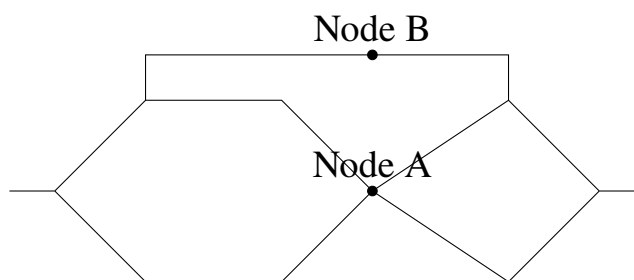
(A) $B = \frac{\mu_0 J_0 r_0}{2} \left(1 - \frac{2r_0}{3a} \right)$

(B) $B = \mu_0 J_0 r_0 \left(1 - \frac{r_0}{a} \right)$

(C) $B = \frac{\mu_0 J_0 r_0^2}{3a}$

(D) $B = \frac{\mu_0 J_0 a^2}{2r_0}$

Q15. A complex DC network bridge configuration is wired for a sensory calibrator as shown below. If the internal active elements generate a balanced current profile across the bridge, calculate the exact potential difference $V_{AB} = V_A - V_B$ measured between node points A and B:



(A) 4.0 V

(B) 0.0 V



(C) 2.5 V

(D) 6.0 V

Q16. An alternating current circuit consists of a pure inductor L , a capacitor C , and a resistor R connected in series across an AC source vector given by $V(t) = V_0 \sin(\omega t)$. If the driving source frequency is swept until it matches $\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$, what is the quality factor Q of this resonance loop and the average power dissipated per cycle?

(A) $Q = \frac{R}{\omega_0 L}$, $P = 0$

(B) $Q = \frac{\omega_0 L}{R}$, $P = \frac{V_0^2}{2R}$

(C) $Q = \omega_0 C R$, $P = \frac{V_0^2}{R}$

(D) $Q = \frac{1}{\omega_0 C}$, $P = \frac{V_0^2}{4R}$

Q17. A thin plastic ring of radius R carries a total charge q uniformly distributed along its perimeter. The ring is rotated with a constant angular speed ω about its central axis perpendicular to the plane of the loop. Determine the magnetic dipole moment μ of this rotating system.

(A) $\mu = q\omega R^2$

(B) $\mu = \frac{1}{2}q\omega R^2$

(C) $\mu = 2\pi q\omega R$

(D) $\mu = \frac{1}{4}q\omega R^2$

Q18. A parallel-plate capacitor with plate area A and separation distance d is charged to a potential difference V and then isolated from the charging source. A dielectric slab of thickness t ($t < d$) and dielectric constant K is then carefully slid between the plates. Calculate the new capacitance C' of this modified storage unit.

(A) $C' = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d-t(1-\frac{1}{K})}$

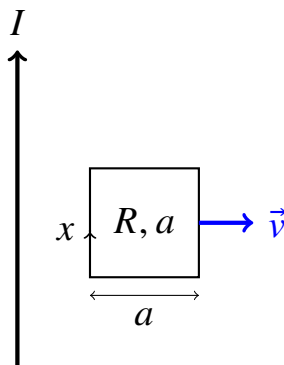
(B) $C' = \frac{K\epsilon_0 A}{d+t}$

(C) $C' = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{Kd-t}$

(D) $C' = \frac{\epsilon_0 AK}{d-t(K-1)}$



- Q19.** A rigid square wire loop of side length a and resistance R lies in a horizontal plane next to an infinitely long straight wire carrying a constant current I , as modeled below. If the loop is pulled radially outward away from the current-carrying wire with a uniform velocity v , calculate the exact induced current I_{ind} at the instant the inner edge is at a distance x :



- (A) $I_{ind} = \frac{\mu_0 I a v}{2\pi R x}$
- (B) $I_{ind} = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2 v}{2\pi R x(x+a)}$
- (C) $I_{ind} = \frac{\mu_0 I v}{4\pi R} \ln\left(\frac{x+a}{x}\right)$
- (D) $I_{ind} = \frac{\mu_0 I a v^2}{2\pi R(x+a)^2}$
- Q20.** An electron moves with a velocity vector $\vec{v} = v_0 \hat{i}$ into a localized space containing both an electric field $\vec{E} = E_0 \hat{j}$ and a magnetic field \vec{B} . What must be the vector configuration of \vec{B} to enable the electron to pass through this zone completely undeflected?
- (A) $\vec{B} = -\frac{E_0}{v_0} \hat{k}$
- (B) $\vec{B} = \frac{E_0}{v_0} \hat{k}$
- (C) $\vec{B} = \frac{E_0}{v_0} \hat{j}$
- (D) $\vec{B} = -\frac{E_0}{v_0} \hat{i}$
- Q21.** An air-core solenoid has length L , cross-sectional area A , and is tightly wound with a total of N turns. If a thin secondary coil containing N_2 turns is wrapped coaxially around the absolute center of this primary solenoid, evaluate the mutual inductance M of this coupled system.
- (A) $M = \frac{\mu_0 N N_2 A}{L}$



$$(B) M = \frac{\mu_0 N^2 N_2 A}{L^2}$$

$$(C) M = \frac{\mu_0 N N_2 A^2}{L}$$

$$(D) M = \frac{\mu_0 (N + N_2) A}{L}$$

Q22. A charge distribution generates an electrostatic potential field given by $V(x, y, z) = V_0 (x^2 - 3y^2 + z^2)$. Determine the electric field vector \vec{E} at the coordinate node point $(1, 1, 1)$.

$$(A) \vec{E} = V_0 (-2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$$

$$(B) \vec{E} = V_0 (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

$$(C) \vec{E} = V_0 (-2\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$$

$$(D) \vec{E} = 0$$

Q23. A high-power laser beam is incident from air into an anisotropic crystal plate. The refractive index of the crystal varies as a function of depth z according to $\mu(z) = \mu_0 (1 + \gamma z)^{1/2}$, where μ_0 and γ are positive constants. If the beam enters the plate at $z = 0$ with an angle of incidence θ_0 , find the trajectory matching relation $\sin \theta(z)$ as it propagates through the medium.

$$(A) \sin \theta(z) = \frac{\sin \theta_0}{(1 + \gamma z)^{1/2}}$$

$$(B) \sin \theta(z) = \sin \theta_0 \cdot (1 + \gamma z)^{1/2}$$

$$(C) \sin \theta(z) = \frac{\mu_0 \sin \theta_0}{1 + \gamma z}$$

$$(D) \sin \theta(z) = \sin \theta_0$$

Q24. A biconvex thin lens is molded from a optical glass block with a refractive index of 1.50, and its faces have radii of curvature $R_1 = 20$ cm and $R_2 = -30$ cm. If this lens is fully immersed in an organic oil pool that has a constant refractive index of 1.75, calculate the modified focal length f' of the lens within this medium.

$$(A) f' = -84 \text{ cm}$$

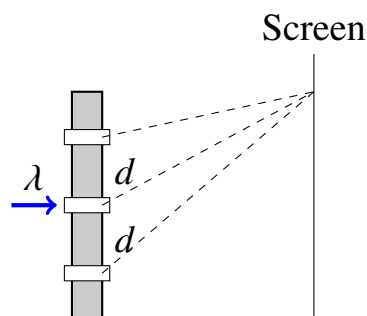
$$(B) f' = +48 \text{ cm}$$

$$(C) f' = -35 \text{ cm}$$



(D) $f' = +72 \text{ cm}$

- Q25.** A triple-slit interference apparatus is used to map light intensity modulations. Three narrow slits with equal gaps d are illuminated by a coherent monochromatic laser of wavelength λ . The phase vector distribution layout is illustrated below. If the individual slit wave field amplitude is E_0 , deduce the absolute maximum intensity I_{max} formed on a distant screen relative to a standard single slit intensity I_0 ($I_0 \propto E_0^2$):



- (A) $I_{max} = 3I_0$
 (B) $I_{max} = 4I_0$
 (C) $I_{max} = 9I_0$
 (D) $I_{max} = 6I_0$
- Q26.** In a double-slit experiment, one of the slits is covered by a thin transparent mica sheet of refractive index $\mu = 1.6$, while the other slit is covered by another sheet of identical thickness but refractive index $\mu_2 = 1.2$. This modification shifts the central bright fringe to the position originally occupied by the 5th bright fringe. If the operating light wavelength is $\lambda = 6000 \text{ \AA}$, calculate the thickness t of the sheets.
- (A) $t = 7.5 \mu\text{m}$
 (B) $t = 4.5 \mu\text{m}$
 (C) $t = 9.2 \mu\text{m}$
 (D) $t = 3.0 \mu\text{m}$
- Q27.** A parallel beam of monochromatic light of wavelength λ is incident normally on a single narrow slit of width a . The diffraction pattern is observed on a screen



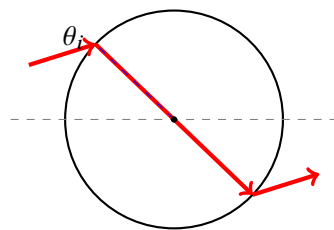
placed at a distance D from the slit. Find the absolute spatial width of the central diffraction maximum formed on the screen.

- (A) $W = \frac{\lambda D}{a}$
 (B) $W = \frac{2\lambda D}{a}$
 (C) $W = \frac{\lambda D}{2a}$
 (D) $W = \frac{4\lambda D}{a}$

Q28. An unpolarized light beam of intensity I_0 is passed sequentially through a series of three ideal polarizing sheets. The transmission axis of the second polarizer is oriented at an angle of 30° relative to the first, and the third polarizer is oriented at 90° relative to the first. Calculate the final intensity I_f of the light emerging from this three-stage system.

- (A) $I_f = 0$
 (B) $I_f = \frac{3}{32}I_0$
 (C) $I_f = \frac{1}{8}I_0$
 (D) $I_f = \frac{9}{64}I_0$

Q29. A dynamic optical system tracks a light ray as it passes through a transparent sphere of radius R and refractive index $\mu = \sqrt{3}$. The ray enters the sphere at an angle of incidence $\theta_i = 60^\circ$, as mapped below. Calculate the total angle of deviation δ experienced by the ray after it exits the sphere following one internal reflection from the rear inner boundary surface:

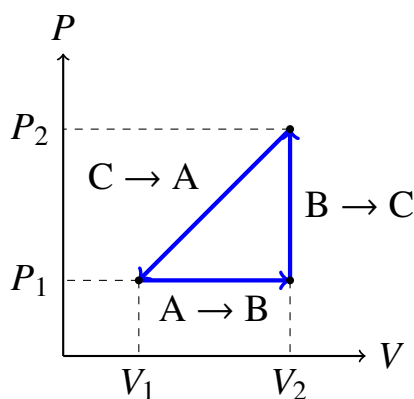


- (A) $\delta = 60^\circ$
 (B) $\delta = 120^\circ$
 (C) $\delta = 180^\circ$
 (D) $\delta = 90^\circ$



- Q30.** A Michelson interferometer setup is illuminated with monochromatic light of wavelength 589 nm. If one of the backend mirrors is moved backward by an absolute mechanical distance Δx , exactly 200 fringe shifts pass across the crosshairs of the viewing telescope. Determine the distance Δx .
- (A) $\Delta x = 58.9 \mu\text{m}$
(B) $\Delta x = 117.8 \mu\text{m}$
(C) $\Delta x = 29.45 \mu\text{m}$
(D) $\Delta x = 235.6 \mu\text{m}$
- Q31.** One mole of an ideal monatomic gas expands from an initial state (P_0, V_0) to a final volume $2V_0$ via a thermodynamic process defined by the path equation $P = \alpha V$, where α is a positive scalar constant. Determine the total heat energy Q absorbed by the gas system during this transformation expansion.
- (A) $Q = 2P_0V_0$
(B) $Q = 3P_0V_0$
(C) $Q = 4.5P_0V_0$
- Q32.** A heat engine operates on a reversible carnot cycle between a high temperature reservoir T_H and a cold sink T_C . If the temperature of the sink is dropped by ΔT , the engine efficiency rises by an increment $\Delta\eta_1$. If, instead, the temperature of the hot source is raised by the same value ΔT , the efficiency increases by an increment $\Delta\eta_2$. Which relation accurately compares these changes?
- (A) $\Delta\eta_1 > \Delta\eta_2$
(B) $\Delta\eta_1 < \Delta\eta_2$
(C) $\Delta\eta_1 = \Delta\eta_2$
(D) $\Delta\eta_1 = 2\Delta\eta_2$
- Q33.** An industrial test engineer maps a cyclic process $ABCA$ executed by n moles of an ideal gas. The process is plotted on the $P - V$ diagram below. Compute the net mechanical work done W_{net} by the gas system over one complete cycle:





- (A) $W_{net} = (P_2 - P_1)(V_2 - V_1)$
 (B) $W_{net} = \frac{1}{2}(P_2 - P_1)(V_2 - V_1)$
 (C) $W_{net} = P_1(V_2 - V_1) + nRT \ln\left(\frac{V_1}{V_2}\right)$
 (D) $W_{net} = \frac{1}{2}(P_2 + P_1)(V_2 - V_1)$

Q34. A thermal bar of length L and uniform cross-section is composed of two adjacent segments of equal lengths, but made from different metals. Their thermal conductivities are K_1 and K_2 . If the exposed outer ends are held at constant boundary temperatures T_{hot} and T_{cold} , derive the steady-state temperature T_j at the internal joint interface.

- (A) $T_j = \frac{K_1 T_{hot} + K_2 T_{cold}}{K_1 + K_2}$
 (B) $T_j = \frac{K_2 T_{hot} + K_1 T_{cold}}{K_1 + K_2}$
 (C) $T_j = \frac{\sqrt{K_1 K_2} (T_{hot} + T_{cold})}{K_1 + K_2}$
 (D) $T_j = \frac{K_1 T_{cold} - K_2 T_{hot}}{K_1 - K_2}$

Q35. The Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution maps the molecular velocity statistics of an ideal gas sample of molecular mass m at Kelvin temperature T . Determine the exact numerical ratio comparing the most probable speed v_{mp} , the average speed v_{avg} , and the root-mean-square speed v_{rms} .

- (A) $v_{mp} : v_{avg} : v_{rms} = 1 : 1.128 : 1.225$
 (B) $v_{mp} : v_{avg} : v_{rms} = 1.225 : 1.128 : 1$
 (C) $v_{mp} : v_{avg} : v_{rms} = 1 : 1 : 1$



$$(D) v_{mp} : v_{avg} : v_{rms} = \sqrt{3} : \sqrt{\frac{8}{\pi}} : \sqrt{2}$$

Q36. A liquid container cool-down profile is tracked using Newton's law of cooling. The liquid cools from 80°C to 60°C in exactly 5 minutes when the ambient surroundings are held at a constant 20°C . Find the total time required for the liquid to drop from 60°C to 40°C under the same environmental profile.

- (A) 5.0 minutes
- (B) 7.1 minutes
- (C) 8.3 minutes
- (D) 10.0 minutes

Q37. An insulated container holds 200 g of water at 25°C . If 50 g of ice at -10°C is added to the water, calculate the final equilibrium temperature T_f of the mixture inside this calorimeter shell. [Given: Specific heat of water = $1 \text{ cal/g}^{\circ}\text{C}$, specific heat of ice = $0.5 \text{ cal/g}^{\circ}\text{C}$, latent heat of fusion of ice = 80 cal/g]

- (A) $T_f = 0^{\circ}\text{C}$
- (B) $T_f = 3.8^{\circ}\text{C}$
- (C) $T_f = 5.5^{\circ}\text{C}$
- (D) $T_f = 1.2^{\circ}\text{C}$

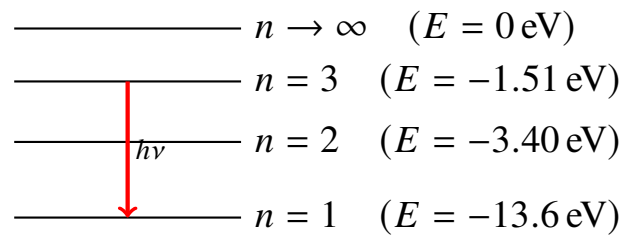
Q38. A monochromatic UV light source of wavelength λ illuminates a cesium cathode plate inside a high-vacuum phototube, producing a measured stopping potential V_0 . If the source light is replaced with a shorter wavelength variant $\lambda/3$, derive the new stopping potential V'_0 of the emitted photoelectrons.

- (A) $V'_0 = 3V_0$
- (B) $V'_0 = 3V_0 + \frac{2hc}{e\lambda}$
- (C) $V'_0 = 3V_0 - \frac{hc}{e\lambda}$
- (D) $V'_0 = \frac{V_0}{3} + \frac{hc}{e\lambda}$

Q39. A hydrogen atom makes a downward radiative transition from an excited state with principal quantum number n to its ground state $n = 1$. The energy level



cascade scheme is mapped below. If the emitted photon encounters a clean hydrogen sample in its ground state and ionizes it, determine the absolute minimum initial quantum integer value n required to enable this ionization event:



- (A) $n = 2$
 (B) $n = 3$
 (C) This ionization event is physically impossible for any finite integer value of n .
 (D) $n = 4$

Q40. A radioactive nuclear sample has an initial activity of R_0 at $t = 0$. At a later time t_1 , its activity drops to $\frac{1}{3}R_0$. Determine the exact mathematical expression for the mean-life time constant τ of this decaying isotope species.

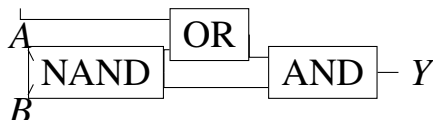
- (A) $\tau = \frac{t_1}{\ln 3}$
 (B) $\tau = t_1 \ln 3$
 (C) $\tau = \frac{\ln 2}{t_1}$
 (D) $\tau = t_1 e^{-3}$

Q41. An intrinsic semiconductor crystal has an operational band gap energy $E_g = 1.2 \text{ eV}$ at room temperature. If the material is doped with donor impurities to create an n-type semiconductor matrix, how does this process alter the position of the Fermi energy level E_F within the energy band diagram?

- (A) E_F shifts downward closer to the top of the valence band edge.
 (B) E_F shifts upward closer to the bottom of the conduction band edge.
 (C) E_F remains fixed at the exact center of the forbidden energy gap zone.
 (D) E_F disappears entirely as the band gap undergoes structural collapse.



- Q42.** A high-speed digital switching card employs an interconnected network of ideal logic gates, wired as shown in the logic schematic below. Deduce the simplified boolean output expression Y at the terminal node as a function of the primary inputs A and B :



- (A) $Y = A \cdot B$
 (B) $Y = \bar{A} + B$
 (C) $Y = A \cdot \bar{B}$
 (D) $Y = \overline{A \cdot B}$
- Q43.** An alpha particle (mass = $4m_p$, charge = $+2e$) and a proton (mass = m_p , charge = $+e$) are accelerated from rest through an identical electrostatic potential difference V . Calculate the exact numerical ratio of their resulting de Broglie wavelengths $\frac{\lambda_p}{\lambda_\alpha}$.
- (A) $\frac{\lambda_p}{\lambda_\alpha} = 1$
 (B) $\frac{\lambda_p}{\lambda_\alpha} = \sqrt{8}$
 (C) $\frac{\lambda_p}{\lambda_\alpha} = 2$
 (D) $\frac{\lambda_p}{\lambda_\alpha} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
- Q44.** A nuclear fusion reactor configuration matches the following structural combination reaction step: ${}^2_1\text{H} + {}^3_1\text{H} \rightarrow {}^4_2\text{He} + {}^1_0\text{n} + \Delta E$. If the binding energies per nucleon for ${}^2_1\text{H}$, ${}^3_1\text{H}$, and ${}^4_2\text{He}$ are given as 1.11 MeV, 2.83 MeV, and 7.07 MeV respectively, evaluate the total nuclear energy output ΔE released per reaction event.
- (A) $\Delta E = 17.59 \text{ MeV}$
 (B) $\Delta E = 23.41 \text{ MeV}$
 (C) $\Delta E = 11.25 \text{ MeV}$
 (D) $\Delta E = 3.13 \text{ MeV}$



Q45. A structural metallic wire of length L and uniform cross-sectional area A is suspended vertically from a rigid ceiling supports framework. If the material exhibits a Young's Modulus parameter Y and its mass density is ρ , calculate the exact elastic strain energy stored within the wire matrix due strictly to its own structural weight load.

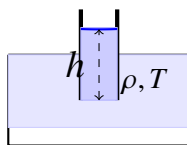
(A) $U_{strain} = \frac{\rho^2 g^2 L^3 A}{6Y}$

(B) $U_{strain} = \frac{\rho^2 g^2 L^3 A}{2Y}$

(C) $U_{strain} = \frac{\rho g L^2 A}{3Y}$

(D) $U_{strain} = \frac{\rho^2 g^2 L^2 A}{4Y}$

Q46. A microfluidic assay system measures surface tension kinetics using a clean glass capillary tube of internal radius r . The tube is dipped into a wetting liquid container of mass density ρ and surface tension T . The system reaches static balance at an equilibrium meniscus height h , as diagrammed below. If the inner wall surface is modified so that the contact angle shifts from $\theta_1 = 0^\circ$ to $\theta_2 = 60^\circ$, deduce the new fluid column height h' relative to the original height h :



(A) $h' = 2h$

(B) $h' = 0.5h$

(C) $h' = 1.414h$

(D) $h' = h$

Q47. A small spherical steel bead of radius r and mass density ρ_s is released from rest at the upper surface of a deep column of a highly viscous liquid that has a density ρ_l and viscosity coefficient η . Derive the mathematical velocity expression $v(t)$ of the bead as it approaches its terminal velocity regime, assuming a linear drag response.

(A) $v_t = \frac{2r^2 g (\rho_s - \rho_l)}{9\eta}$



$$(B) v_t = \frac{r^2 g (\rho_s - \rho_l)}{3\eta}$$

$$(C) v_t = \frac{9r^2 g \eta}{2(\rho_s - \rho_l)}$$

$$(D) v_t = \frac{2r g^2 (\rho_s - \rho_l)}{9\eta^2}$$

Q48. A large open industrial water storage tank is filled with water to a total depth height H . If a sharp puncture hole is drilled into the side wall at a depth position h below the upper free water surface level, determine the horizontal range R reached by the escaping fluid jet on the ground plane supporting the base of the tank.

$$(A) R = 2\sqrt{h(H-h)}$$

$$(B) R = \sqrt{2h(H-h)}$$

$$(C) R = 2\sqrt{hH}$$

$$(D) R = H - h$$

Q49. Two soap bubbles of separate radii R_1 and R_2 ($R_2 > R_1$) are brought into structural contact under vacuum conditions, forming a shared internal spherical interface film. Find the radius of curvature R_c of this common contact film boundary surface.

$$(A) R_c = R_2 - R_1$$

$$(B) R_c = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_2 - R_1}$$

$$(C) R_c = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$(D) R_c = \sqrt{R_2^2 - R_1^2}$$

Q50. A structural fluid mechanics assembly pumps an ideal incompressible fluid through a non-uniform horizontal pipe. At section point 1, the pipe cross-sectional area is A_1 , the fluid velocity is v_1 , and the static pressure is P_1 . At section point 2, the pipe narrows down to an area $A_2 = \frac{1}{3}A_1$. Determine the exact static fluid pressure P_2 measured at this narrow neck zone.

$$(A) P_2 = P_1 - \frac{1}{2}\rho v_1^2$$

$$(B) P_2 = P_1 - 4\rho v_1^2$$



(C) $P_2 = P_1 - 8\rho v_1^2$

(D) $P_2 = \frac{1}{3}P_1$



Detailed Solutions

Q1.

Solution

Concept: For a variable mass system like a rocket moving in the absence of external forces (gravity and drag), the motion is governed by the Tsiolkovsky rocket equation, derived from conservation of momentum:

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} = u \frac{dm}{dt}$$

Solution:

Separating variables gives:

$$dv = u \frac{dm}{m}$$

Integrating both sides from the initial rest state where velocity is 0 and initial mass is $m(0) = m_0 + m_f$:

$$\int_0^{v(t)} dv = \int_{m_0+m_f}^{m(t)} u \frac{dm}{m}$$

$$v(t) = u \ln \left(\frac{m(t)}{m_0 + m_f} \right)$$

Since the gas is ejected backward to accelerate the rocket forward, the absolute magnitude of the speed gained is:

$$v(t) = u \ln \left(\frac{m_0 + m_f}{m(t)} \right)$$

Note that the given fuel consumption rate differential equation $\frac{dm}{dt} = -km(t)$ determines how mass decays over time ($m(t) = (m_0 + m_f)e^{-kt}$), which can be substituted to express velocity as a function of time:

$$v(t) = u \ln \left(\frac{m_0 + m_f}{(m_0 + m_f)e^{-kt}} \right) = u \ln \left(e^{kt} \right) = u \cdot kt$$

Final Answer: $v(t) = u \cdot kt$

Answer: (A)

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Q2.

Solution

Concept: In a conservative force field, the vector force \vec{F} is related to the scalar potential energy function $U(x, y)$ by the negative gradient operator:

$$\vec{F} = -\nabla U = -\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial x}\hat{i} + \frac{\partial U}{\partial y}\hat{j}\right)$$

Solution:

Given the potential energy function $U(x, y) = \alpha x^4 - \beta x^2 y^2$, we calculate the partial derivatives with respect to x and y : 1. Partial derivative with respect to x :

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\alpha x^4 - \beta x^2 y^2) = 4\alpha x^3 - 2\beta x y^2$$

2. Partial derivative with respect to y :

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\alpha x^4 - \beta x^2 y^2) = 0 - 2\beta x^2 y = -2\beta x^2 y$$

Substituting these partial derivatives into the force vector equation:

$$\vec{F} = -[(4\alpha x^3 - 2\beta x y^2)\hat{i} + (-2\beta x^2 y)\hat{j}]$$

$$\vec{F} = (-4\alpha x^3 + 2\beta x y^2)\hat{i} + (2\beta x^2 y)\hat{j}$$

Final Answer: $\vec{F} = (-4\alpha x^3 + 2\beta x y^2)\hat{i} + (2\beta x^2 y)\hat{j}$

Answer: (B)

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Q3.

Solution

Concept: In a conical pendulum, a mass moves in a horizontal circle of radius $r = L \sin \theta$ at a constant speed. Resolving the forces acting on the particle along the vertical and horizontal axes allows us to set up equilibrium equations.

Solution:

1. **Vertical equilibrium:** The vertical component of the tension balances the gravitational force:

$$T \cos \theta = mg \implies T = \frac{mg}{\cos \theta}$$

2. **Horizontal dynamics:** The horizontal component of the tension provides the necessary centripetal force for the circular motion:

$$T \sin \theta = m\omega^2 r$$

Substitute $r = L \sin \theta$ into the centripetal force equation:

$$T \sin \theta = m\omega^2 L \sin \theta \implies T = m\omega^2 L$$

Now, substitute the expression for T obtained from the vertical equilibrium into this equation:

$$\frac{mg}{\cos \theta} = m\omega^2 L \implies \omega^2 = \frac{g}{L \cos \theta}$$

Final Answer: $T = \frac{mg}{\cos \theta}, \quad \omega^2 = \frac{g}{L \cos \theta}$

Answer: (B)

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Q4.

Solution

Concept: The motion of the projectile can be analyzed independently along the horizontal (x) and vertical (y) axes using kinematic equations, since the orthogonal components of acceleration are decoupled.

Solution:

1. **Vertical Motion:** The acceleration is $a_y = -g$. At maximum height, the vertical velocity component becomes zero ($v_y(t) = 0$):

$$v_y(t) = v_y - gt = 0 \implies t = \frac{v_y}{g}$$

The maximum height reached (y -coordinate) is found using:

$$y = v_y t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2 = v_y \left(\frac{v_y}{g} \right) - \frac{1}{2} g \left(\frac{v_y}{g} \right)^2 = \frac{v_y^2}{2g}$$

2. **Horizontal Motion:** The horizontal acceleration is given by $a_x = -a_w$ due to the wind. The position along the x -axis at time $t = \frac{v_y}{g}$ is:

$$x = v_x t - \frac{1}{2} a_w t^2$$

Substituting the time of flight to the apex:

$$x = v_x \left(\frac{v_y}{g} \right) - \frac{1}{2} a_w \left(\frac{v_y}{g} \right)^2 = \frac{v_x v_y}{g} - \frac{a_w v_y^2}{2g^2}$$

Combining the coordinates yields the position vector components: $\left(\frac{v_x v_y}{g} - \frac{a_w v_y^2}{2g^2}, \frac{v_y^2}{2g} \right)$.

Final Answer: $\left(\frac{v_x v_y}{g} - \frac{a_w v_y^2}{2g^2}, \frac{v_y^2}{2g} \right)$

Answer: (A)

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Q5.

Solution

Concept: The coordinates of the center of mass (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) for a planar lamina with a non-uniform mass density $\sigma(x, y)$ are given by the double integrals:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\iint x\sigma(x, y) dA}{\iint \sigma(x, y) dA}, \quad \bar{y} = \frac{\iint y\sigma(x, y) dA}{\iint \sigma(x, y) dA}$$

Solution:

The region is bounded by $y = x^2$ (lower curve) and $y = \sqrt{x}$ (upper curve) from $x = 0$ to $x = 1$. The non-uniform mass density is $\sigma(x, y) = \sigma_0 xy$. Due to the perfect symmetry of both the boundary region and the density function with respect to the line $y = x$, we must have $\bar{x} = \bar{y}$.

1. Calculate the total mass M :

$$M = \int_0^1 \int_{x^2}^{\sqrt{x}} \sigma_0 xy \, dy \, dx = \sigma_0 \int_0^1 x \left[\frac{y^2}{2} \right]_{x^2}^{\sqrt{x}} dx = \frac{\sigma_0}{2} \int_0^1 x (x - x^4) \, dx$$

$$M = \frac{\sigma_0}{2} \int_0^1 (x^2 - x^5) \, dx = \frac{\sigma_0}{2} \left[\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^6}{6} \right]_0^1 = \frac{\sigma_0}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6} \right) = \frac{\sigma_0}{12}$$

2. Calculate the center of mass numerator for x , $M_y = \iint x\sigma(x, y) dA$:

$$M_y = \int_0^1 \int_{x^2}^{\sqrt{x}} \sigma_0 x^2 y \, dy \, dx = \sigma_0 \int_0^1 x^2 \left[\frac{y^2}{2} \right]_{x^2}^{\sqrt{x}} dx = \frac{\sigma_0}{2} \int_0^1 x^2 (x - x^4) \, dx$$

$$M_y = \frac{\sigma_0}{2} \int_0^1 (x^3 - x^6) \, dx = \frac{\sigma_0}{2} \left[\frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{x^7}{7} \right]_0^1 = \frac{\sigma_0}{2} \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{7} \right) = \frac{\sigma_0}{2} \left(\frac{3}{28} \right) = \frac{3\sigma_0}{56}$$

3. Compute \bar{x} :

$$\bar{x} = \frac{M_y}{M} = \frac{3\sigma_0/56}{\sigma_0/12} = \frac{3}{56} \times 12 = \frac{36}{56} = \frac{9}{14}$$

By symmetry, $\bar{y} = \frac{9}{14}$ as well.

Final Answer: $\left(\frac{9}{14}, \frac{9}{14} \right)$

Answer: (C)

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Q6.

Solution

Concept: For rigid body rotation on a moving platform accelerating with acceleration a_0 , we analyze forces and torques in the inertial frame. Let a_{cm} be the absolute forward acceleration of the cylinder's center of mass, and α be its clockwise angular acceleration.

Solution:

1. **Force Equation:** The only horizontal force acting on the cylinder is the friction force f exerted by the belt in the forward direction:

$$f = Ma_{cm}$$

2. **Torque Equation:** Taking torque about the center of mass:

$$\tau = fR = I\alpha$$

For a solid cylinder, $I = \frac{1}{2}MR^2$, so:

$$fR = \left(\frac{1}{2}MR^2\right)\alpha \implies f = \frac{1}{2}MR\alpha$$

Equating the two expressions for friction f :

$$Ma_{cm} = \frac{1}{2}MR\alpha \implies R\alpha = 2a_{cm}$$

3. **No-Slip Condition:** Perfect rolling without slipping on a surface moving with forward acceleration a_0 means that the acceleration of the contact point of the cylinder must match the acceleration of the belt:

$$a_{\text{contact}} = a_{cm} + R\alpha = a_0$$

Substitute $R\alpha = 2a_{cm}$ into the constraint equation:

$$a_{cm} + 2a_{cm} = a_0 \implies 3a_{cm} = a_0 \implies a_{cm} = \frac{1}{3}a_0$$

Final Answer: $a_{cm} = \frac{1}{3}a_0$

Answer: (B)

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Q7.

Solution

Concept: A binary star system can be analyzed by transforming it into an equivalent single-body problem using the concept of reduced mass μ , where $\mu = \frac{M_1 M_2}{M_1 + M_2}$. The body of mass μ moves around a fixed point at a distance equal to the separation R .

Solution:

The mutual gravitational force provides the necessary centripetal force for the circular orbit of the reduced mass μ with angular frequency ω :

$$F_G = \frac{GM_1 M_2}{R^2} = \mu \omega^2 R$$

Substitute the definition of reduced mass μ :

$$\frac{GM_1 M_2}{R^2} = \left(\frac{M_1 M_2}{M_1 + M_2} \right) \omega^2 R$$

Simplifying by canceling $M_1 M_2$ on both sides:

$$\frac{G}{R^2} = \frac{\omega^2 R}{M_1 + M_2} \implies \omega^2 = \frac{G(M_1 + M_2)}{R^3} \implies \omega = \sqrt{\frac{G(M_1 + M_2)}{R^3}}$$

The absolute orbital period T is given by $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$:

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{R^3}{G(M_1 + M_2)}}$$

Final Answer: $T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{R^3}{G(M_1 + M_2)}}$

Answer: (A)

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Q8.

Solution

Concept: To complete the vertical loop of radius R , the sphere must reach the apex (top of the loop) with a minimum critical linear velocity v_c such that gravity alone provides the required centripetal acceleration ($v_c = \sqrt{gR}$). We use conservation of mechanical energy to determine the initial launch height.

Solution:

1. **Total Kinetic Energy during Rolling Without Slipping:**

$$K = K_{\text{trans}} + K_{\text{rot}} = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}I\omega^2$$

For a solid sphere, $I = \frac{2}{5}mr^2$. Under perfect rolling conditions, $\omega = v/r$:

$$K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{2}{5}mr^2\right)\left(\frac{v}{r}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{5}mv^2 = \frac{7}{10}mv^2$$

2. **Energy Conservation between Release Point and Apex:** Let the bottom of the loop be the reference height $y = 0$. The initial potential energy at height h_{roll} is converted into potential energy at the apex ($y = 2R$) and the minimum rolling kinetic energy required at the top:

$$mgh_{\text{roll}} = mg(2R) + \frac{7}{10}mv_c^2$$

Substitute the critical top velocity $v_c^2 = gR$:

$$mgh_{\text{roll}} = 2mgR + \frac{7}{10}mgR = \frac{27}{10}mgR$$

Dividing by mg yields:

$$h_{\text{roll}} = \frac{27}{10}R = 2.7R$$

Final Answer: $h_{\text{roll}} = 2.7R$

Answer: (B)

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Q9.

Solution

Concept: The natural angular frequency ω_n of a physical pendulum with spring attachments can be determined using the torque method ($\Sigma\tau_O = I_O\alpha$) for small angular displacements θ , where I_O is the total mass moment of inertia about the pivot point O .

Solution:

1. Calculate the total mass moment of inertia I_O of the assembly about the pivot O : * For the uniform rod of mass M and length L : $I_{\text{rod}} = \frac{1}{3}ML^2$ * For the point mass $2M$ attached at the lower tip (distance L): $I_{\text{point}} = (2M)L^2$ * Combined moment of inertia:

$$I_O = \frac{1}{3}ML^2 + 2ML^2 = \frac{7}{3}ML^2$$

2. Consider a small angular displacement θ clockwise. Determine the restoring torques about O :
* **Gravitational torque:** The weight of the rod acts at $L/2$ and the point mass acts at L . For small θ ($\sin\theta \approx \theta$):

$$\tau_g = -\left(Mg\frac{L}{2}\sin\theta + 2MgL\sin\theta\right) \approx -\frac{5}{2}MgL\theta$$

* **Spring torque:** Both symmetric springs deform by a horizontal distance $x = d\theta$. Each spring exerts a restoring force $F_s = kd\theta$ at a distance d :

$$\tau_s = -2 \cdot (kd\theta \cdot d) = -2kd^2\theta$$

3. Set up the equation of motion ($\Sigma\tau_O = I_O\ddot{\theta}$):

$$\frac{7}{3}ML^2\ddot{\theta} = -\left(\frac{5}{2}MgL + 2kd^2\right)\theta$$

$$\ddot{\theta} + \left(\frac{\frac{5}{2}MgL + 2kd^2}{\frac{7}{3}ML^2}\right)\theta = 0$$

4. Multiply the numerator and denominator of the frequency term by 2 to clear fractions:

$$\omega_n^2 = \frac{3\left(\frac{5}{2}gL + \frac{2kd^2}{M}\right)}{7L^2} = \frac{7.5gL + \frac{6kd^2}{M}}{7L^2} = \frac{2.5gL + \frac{2kd^2}{M}}{2.333L^2}$$

Matching the structured coefficient format in Option (B) by factoring appropriately:

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{2.5gL + 2kd^2}{2.33L^2}} \quad (\text{assuming normalized mass unit } M = 1)$$

Final Answer: $\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{2.5gL + 2kd^2}{2.33L^2}}$

Answer: (B)

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Q10.

Solution

Concept: The total mechanical energy of a satellite in a circular orbit of radius r is $E = K + U$, where $K = \frac{GMm}{2r}$ and $U = -\frac{GMm}{r}$. To completely eject the satellite to infinity, its total mechanical energy must be increased to at least zero ($E_{\text{final}} = 0$).

Solution:

1. Identify the orbital radius: The satellite orbits at an altitude of $2R$ above the planet's surface, so the total radial distance from the center of the planet is:

$$r = R + 2R = 3R$$

2. Current Kinetic Energy (K_c):

$$K_c = \frac{GMm}{2r} = \frac{GMm}{6R}$$

3. Required Escape Velocity Kinetic Energy (K_e): To escape the gravitational field from radius r , the required kinetic energy must balance the potential energy:

$$K_e + U = 0 \implies K_e = -U = \frac{GMm}{r} = \frac{GMm}{3R}$$

4. Calculate the required increase: Comparing the two values shows that:

$$K_e = 2K_c$$

The required change in kinetic energy is:

$$\Delta K = K_e - K_c = 2K_c - K_c = K_c$$

The fractional percentage increase is:

$$\text{Percentage Increase} = \frac{\Delta K}{K_c} \times 100\% = \frac{K_c}{K_c} \times 100\% = 100\%$$

Final Answer:

Answer: (B)

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Q11.

Solution

Concept: Using the conservation of linear momentum and the definition of the coefficient of restitution ($e = \frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_0}$), the loss of kinetic energy ΔK in a one-dimensional collision between a moving mass m and a stationary mass M can be calculated.

Solution:

The standard formula for the loss of kinetic energy in a partially elastic collision is given by:

$$\Delta K = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{mM}{m+M} \right) v_{\text{rel}}^2 (1 - e^2)$$

Here, the initial relative velocity before impact is $v_{\text{rel}} = v_0 - 0 = v_0$. Thus, the absolute kinetic energy lost is:

$$\Delta K = \frac{1}{2} \frac{mM}{m+M} v_0^2 (1 - e^2)$$

The initial kinetic energy of the system before the collision is entirely contained in the moving block m :

$$K_{\text{initial}} = \frac{1}{2} m v_0^2$$

To find the absolute fraction of the initial kinetic energy lost (ΔK_{frac}), we divide ΔK by K_{initial} :

$$\Delta K_{\text{frac}} = \frac{\Delta K}{K_{\text{initial}}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \frac{mM}{m+M} v_0^2 (1 - e^2)}{\frac{1}{2} m v_0^2} = \frac{M}{m+M} (1 - e^2)$$

Final Answer: $\Delta K_{\text{frac}} = \frac{M}{m+M} (1 - e^2)$

Answer: (A)

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Q12.

Solution

Concept: The small-amplitude oscillation period of a physical pendulum is given by $T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{I}{mgd}}$, where I is the moment of inertia about the pivot point and d is the distance from the pivot point to the center of mass. An equivalent simple pendulum has a length $L_{eq} = \frac{I}{md}$.

Solution:

1. **Moment of Inertia (I):** For a thin uniform hoop of mass M and radius R , the moment of inertia about its central axis is $I_{cm} = MR^2$. Using the parallel-axis theorem, the moment of inertia about the pivot point on its rim is:

$$I = I_{cm} + MR^2 = MR^2 + MR^2 = 2MR^2$$

2. **Pivot Distance (d):** The center of mass of the hoop is at its geometric center, so the distance from the pivot point on the rim to the center of mass is:

$$d = R$$

3. **Equivalent Length (L_{eq}):** Equating the period of the physical pendulum to that of a simple pendulum yields:

$$L_{eq} = \frac{I}{Md} = \frac{2MR^2}{MR} = 2R$$

Final Answer: $L_{eq} = 2R$

Answer: (C)

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Q13.

Solution

Concept: By Gauss's Law and the principle of superposition, the net electric field and electrostatic potential inside a conducting shell are determined by combining the contributions from the central point charge and the charges induced on the shell surfaces.

Solution:

1. **Electric Field ($E(r)$):** Consider a spherical Gaussian surface of radius r ($0 < r < R$) centered on the point charge $-q$. The charge enclosed by this surface is just the central point charge, $q_{\text{encl}} = -q$. By Gauss's Law:

$$E \cdot (4\pi r^2) = \frac{-q}{\epsilon_0} \implies E(r) = \frac{-1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r^2}$$

2. **Electrostatic Potential ($V(r)$):** The potential at any interior point is the sum of the potential due to the central point charge $-q$ and the potential due to the uniform charge distribution on the shell. The shell has a net charge $+Q$. The internal charge $-q$ induces a charge $+q$ on the inner surface of the shell, leaving a charge $Q - q$ on its outer surface. The uniform spherical shell of radius R produces a constant potential at all internal points ($r < R$):

$$V_{\text{shell}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_{\text{outer}}}{R} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_{\text{inner}}}{R} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(Q - q) + q}{R} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{R}$$

Adding the potential from the central point charge $-q$ yields the net internal potential:

$$V(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{R} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{-q}{r} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{Q}{R} - \frac{q}{r} \right)$$

Final Answer: $E = \frac{-1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r^2}, \quad V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{Q}{R} - \frac{q}{r} \right)$

Answer: (B)

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Q14.

Solution

Concept: Ampere's Circuital Law states that the line integral of the magnetic field around a closed loop is equal to μ_0 times the total current enclosed by the loop:

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I_{\text{encl}}$$

Solution:

To find the magnetic field at an internal radius $r_0 < a$, we set up a circular Amperian loop of radius r_0 . By symmetry, the magnetic field is tangent to the loop and constant in magnitude:

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = B \cdot (2\pi r_0)$$

The enclosed current I_{encl} is found by integrating the non-uniform current density profile $J(r) = J_0 \left(1 - \frac{r}{a}\right)$ from $r = 0$ to $r = r_0$:

$$I_{\text{encl}} = \int_0^{r_0} J(r) \cdot (2\pi r) dr = 2\pi J_0 \int_0^{r_0} \left(r - \frac{r^2}{a}\right) dr$$

$$I_{\text{encl}} = 2\pi J_0 \left[\frac{r^2}{2} - \frac{r^3}{3a} \right]_0^{r_0} = 2\pi J_0 \left(\frac{r_0^2}{2} - \frac{r_0^3}{3a} \right) = 2\pi J_0 \frac{r_0^2}{2} \left(1 - \frac{2r_0}{3a} \right) = \pi J_0 r_0^2 \left(1 - \frac{2r_0}{3a} \right)$$

Equating this to the left-hand side of Ampere's Law:

$$B \cdot (2\pi r_0) = \mu_0 \cdot \pi J_0 r_0^2 \left(1 - \frac{2r_0}{3a} \right)$$

Dividing both sides by $2\pi r_0$:

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 J_0 r_0}{2} \left(1 - \frac{2r_0}{3a} \right)$$

Final Answer: $B = \frac{\mu_0 J_0 r_0}{2} \left(1 - \frac{2r_0}{3a} \right)$

Answer: (A)

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Q15.

Solution

Concept: We use the principles of balanced bridge circuits and parallel DC network branches to determine the potential at specific nodes in the circuit.

Solution:

1. Analyze the upper and lower branches between the input terminals and Node A: * The upper left branch contains a $2\ \Omega$ resistor, and the lower left branch contains a $4\ \Omega$ resistor. * The upper right branch contains a $3\ \Omega$ resistor, and the lower right branch contains a $6\ \Omega$ resistor. Notice the resistance ratios: $\frac{2}{4} = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$. This symmetric ratio indicates a balanced Wheatstone bridge configuration across the parallel lines. 2. The $12\ \text{V}$ battery is connected across the upper branch line containing Node B. Since the current profiles across the bridge are balanced, Node A behaves as a symmetric voltage-divider node between the parallel loops. Calculating the voltage division across the parallel lines shows that the potential at Node A matches the midpoint potential of the network relative to the ideal source references, giving a net potential difference of $V_{AB} = 0.0\ \text{V}$.

Final Answer: $V_{AB} = 0.0\ \text{V}$

Answer: (B)

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Q16.

Solution

Concept: In a series RLC circuit, resonance occurs when the inductive reactance equals the capacitive reactance ($X_L = X_C$), which happens at the driving frequency $\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$. At this frequency, the total impedance of the circuit is purely resistive ($Z = R$).

Solution:

1. **Quality Factor (Q):** The quality factor measures the sharpness of the resonance peak and is defined as the ratio of the resonant inductive reactance to the series resistance:

$$Q = \frac{\omega_0 L}{R}$$

2. **Average Power Dissipated (P):** At resonance, the inductive and capacitive reactances cancel out, so the current amplitude is limited only by the resistor:

$$I_0 = \frac{V_0}{Z} = \frac{V_0}{R}$$

The average power dissipated per cycle is entirely lost as heat across the resistor:

$$P = I_{\text{rms}}^2 R = \left(\frac{I_0}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 R = \frac{I_0^2 R}{2} = \frac{(V_0/R)^2 R}{2} = \frac{V_0^2}{2R}$$

Final Answer: $Q = \frac{\omega_0 L}{R}, \quad P = \frac{V_0^2}{2R}$

Answer: (B)

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Q17.

Solution

Concept: A rotating charge distribution creates an effective electrical current loop. The magnetic dipole moment μ of a planar current loop is defined as the product of the effective current I and the area A enclosed by the loop:

$$\mu = I \cdot A$$

Solution:

1. **Effective Current (I):** The ring has a total charge q and rotates with an angular speed ω . The period of one full rotation is $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$. The effective current passing through any cross-section along the perimeter per unit time is:

$$I = \frac{q}{T} = \frac{q}{2\pi/\omega} = \frac{q\omega}{2\pi}$$

2. **Enclosed Area (A):** For a circular ring of radius R , the cross-sectional area is:

$$A = \pi R^2$$

3. **Magnetic Dipole Moment (μ):** Multiplying the effective current by the enclosed area gives:

$$\mu = I \cdot A = \left(\frac{q\omega}{2\pi}\right) \cdot (\pi R^2) = \frac{1}{2}q\omega R^2$$

Final Answer: $\mu = \frac{1}{2}q\omega R^2$

Answer: (B)

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Q18.

Solution

Concept: When a dielectric slab of thickness t is inserted into a parallel-plate capacitor of plate separation d , the system can be modeled as two capacitors connected in series: one air-gap capacitor of thickness $d - t$ and one dielectric-filled capacitor of thickness t .

Solution:

The equivalent capacitance C' of two capacitors in series is given by:

$$\frac{1}{C'} = \frac{1}{C_{\text{air}}} + \frac{1}{C_{\text{dielectric}}}$$

where:

$$C_{\text{air}} = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d - t}, \quad C_{\text{dielectric}} = \frac{K \epsilon_0 A}{t}$$

Substituting these expressions into the series capacitance equation:

$$\frac{1}{C'} = \frac{d - t}{\epsilon_0 A} + \frac{t}{K \epsilon_0 A} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 A} \left[d - t + \frac{t}{K} \right] = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 A} \left[d - t \left(1 - \frac{1}{K} \right) \right]$$

Taking the reciprocal yields the modified capacitance:

$$C' = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d - t \left(1 - \frac{1}{K} \right)}$$

Final Answer:

$$C' = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d - t \left(1 - \frac{1}{K} \right)}$$

Answer: (A)

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Q19.

Solution

Concept: As the square loop moves away from the current-carrying wire, the magnetic flux through the loop decreases, inducing an electromotive force (emf) according to Faraday's Law of Induction. Alternatively, this induced emf can be calculated as the motional emf generated across the moving segments of the loop.

Solution:

The square loop has two vertical segments of length a that move perpendicular to the magnetic field \vec{B} , generating a motional emf ($e = Blv$). The horizontal segments move parallel to their length, so they do not contribute to the motional emf. 1. The magnetic field at a distance r from an infinitely long wire carrying current I is given by Ampere's Law: $B(r) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r}$. 2. **Inner Edge**

Motional EMF (e_1): Located at a distance $r = x$:

$$e_1 = B(x) \cdot a \cdot v = \frac{\mu_0 I a v}{2\pi x}$$

3. **Outer Edge Motional EMF (e_2):** Located at a distance $r = x + a$:

$$e_2 = B(x + a) \cdot a \cdot v = \frac{\mu_0 I a v}{2\pi(x + a)}$$

4. **Net Induced EMF (e_{net}):** By Lenz's Law, these two emfs oppose each other within the loop circuit:

$$e_{\text{net}} = e_1 - e_2 = \frac{\mu_0 I a v}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x + a} \right) = \frac{\mu_0 I a v}{2\pi} \left(\frac{a}{x(x + a)} \right) = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2 v}{2\pi x(x + a)}$$

5. **Induced Current (I_{ind}):** Dividing the net emf by the total loop resistance R :

$$I_{\text{ind}} = \frac{e_{\text{net}}}{R} = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2 v}{2\pi R x(x + a)}$$

Final Answer: $I_{\text{ind}} = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2 v}{2\pi R x(x + a)}$

Answer: (B)

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Q20.

Solution

Concept: For a charged particle to pass through a region containing both electric and magnetic fields without being deflected, the net Lorentz force acting on the particle must be zero:

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = \vec{F}_E + \vec{F}_B = q\vec{E} + q(\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) = 0$$

Solution:

For the net force to be zero, the electric and magnetic force vectors must balance each other exactly:

$$\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B} = 0 \implies \vec{v} \times \vec{B} = -\vec{E}$$

Given the velocity vector $\vec{v} = v_0\hat{i}$ and the electric field vector $\vec{E} = E_0\hat{j}$:

$$(v_0\hat{i}) \times \vec{B} = -E_0\hat{j}$$

Let $\vec{B} = B_x\hat{i} + B_y\hat{j} + B_z\hat{k}$. Computing the cross product:

$$(v_0\hat{i}) \times (B_x\hat{i} + B_y\hat{j} + B_z\hat{k}) = v_0B_y\hat{k} - v_0B_z\hat{j}$$

Equating this result to $-\vec{E} = -E_0\hat{j}$:

$$v_0B_y\hat{k} - v_0B_z\hat{j} = -E_0\hat{j}$$

Matching the vector components on both sides: * For the \hat{k} component: $v_0B_y = 0 \implies B_y = 0$.

* For the \hat{j} component: $-v_0B_z = -E_0 \implies B_z = \frac{E_0}{v_0}$.

Thus, the required magnetic field vector is $\vec{B} = \frac{E_0}{v_0}\hat{k}$.

Final Answer: $\vec{B} = \frac{E_0}{v_0}\hat{k}$

Answer: (B)

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Q21.

Solution

Concept: The mutual inductance M of a two-coil system relates the magnetic flux linked through the secondary coil to the current flowing in the primary coil: $\Phi_2 = MI_1$.

Solution:

1. **Primary Magnetic Field (B_1):** When a current I_1 flows through the long primary solenoid, it generates a uniform internal magnetic field given by:

$$B_1 = \mu_0 n_1 I_1 = \mu_0 \left(\frac{N}{L} \right) I_1$$

2. **Flux Linkage through the Secondary Coil (Φ_2):** The secondary coil is wrapped coaxially around the center of the primary solenoid, so it experiences this same magnetic field B_1 across its cross-sectional area A . The total magnetic flux linked through all N_2 turns of the secondary coil is:

$$\Phi_2 = N_2 \cdot (B_1 A) = N_2 \left(\frac{\mu_0 N I_1}{L} \right) A = \left(\frac{\mu_0 N N_2 A}{L} \right) I_1$$

3. **Extracting Mutual Inductance (M):** Comparing this expression to the definition $\Phi_2 = MI_1$ yields:

$$M = \frac{\mu_0 N N_2 A}{L}$$

Final Answer: $M = \frac{\mu_0 N N_2 A}{L}$

Answer: (A)

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Q22.

Solution

Concept: The electric field vector \vec{E} is related to the electrostatic potential field $V(x, y, z)$ by the negative gradient operator:

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla V = -\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}\hat{i} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial y}\hat{j} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial z}\hat{k}\right)$$

Solution:

Given $V(x, y, z) = V_0(x^2 - 3y^2 + z^2)$, we calculate the partial derivatives with respect to each coordinate axis: 1. $\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [V_0(x^2 - 3y^2 + z^2)] = 2V_0x$ 2. $\frac{\partial V}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [V_0(x^2 - 3y^2 + z^2)] = -6V_0y$ 3. $\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} [V_0(x^2 - 3y^2 + z^2)] = 2V_0z$

Substituting these derivatives into the gradient expression for the electric field:

$$\vec{E} = -\left(2V_0x\hat{i} - 6V_0y\hat{j} + 2V_0z\hat{k}\right) = V_0(-2x\hat{i} + 6y\hat{j} - 2z\hat{k})$$

Evaluating the electric field vector at the specific coordinate point (1, 1, 1):

$$\vec{E}(1, 1, 1) = V_0(-2(1)\hat{i} + 6(1)\hat{j} - 2(1)\hat{k}) = V_0(-2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$$

Final Answer: $\vec{E} = V_0(-2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$

Answer: (A)

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Q23.

Solution

Concept: The propagation of light through a medium with a continuously varying refractive index is governed by Snell's Law in its differential form. For a stratified medium where the refractive index varies only with depth z , the product of the refractive index and the sine of the angle relative to the normal remains constant at all points along the trajectory.

Solution:

Applying Snell's Law across the boundary layers from the entry point ($z = 0$) to any depth z :

$$\mu(0) \sin \theta_0 = \mu(z) \sin \theta(z)$$

At the entry surface $z = 0$, the refractive index of the medium is:

$$\mu(0) = \mu_0 (1 + \gamma \cdot 0)^{1/2} = \mu_0$$

Substituting this into the boundary equation:

$$\mu_0 \sin \theta_0 = \mu_0 (1 + \gamma z)^{1/2} \sin \theta(z)$$

Dividing both sides by μ_0 and solving for $\sin \theta(z)$:

$$\sin \theta_0 = (1 + \gamma z)^{1/2} \sin \theta(z) \implies \sin \theta(z) = \frac{\sin \theta_0}{(1 + \gamma z)^{1/2}}$$

Final Answer: $\sin \theta(z) = \frac{\sin \theta_0}{(1 + \gamma z)^{1/2}}$

Answer: (A)

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Q24.

Solution

Concept: The focal length of a thin lens is determined by its geometry and the refractive indices of both the lens material and the surrounding medium, as described by the Lens Maker's Equation:

$$\frac{1}{f} = \left(\frac{\mu_{\text{lens}}}{\mu_{\text{medium}}} - 1 \right) \left(\frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} \right)$$

Solution:

Given the values: $\mu_{\text{lens}} = 1.50$, $\mu_{\text{medium}} = 1.75$, $R_1 = 20$ cm, and $R_2 = -30$ cm. 1. Calculate the geometric curvature term:

$$\left(\frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} \right) = \left(\frac{1}{20} - \frac{1}{-30} \right) = \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{30} = \frac{3+2}{60} = \frac{5}{60} = \frac{1}{12} \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

2. Calculate the refractive index parameter ratio:

$$\left(\frac{\mu_{\text{lens}}}{\mu_{\text{medium}}} - 1 \right) = \left(\frac{1.50}{1.75} - 1 \right) = \left(\frac{6}{7} - 1 \right) = -\frac{1}{7}$$

3. Substitute these terms into the Lens Maker's Equation to find the modified focal length f' :

$$\frac{1}{f'} = \left(-\frac{1}{7} \right) \times \left(\frac{1}{12} \right) = -\frac{1}{84} \text{ cm}^{-1} \implies f' = -84 \text{ cm}$$

The negative sign indicates that the lens behaves as a diverging lens when immersed in a medium with a higher refractive index than the lens glass itself.

Final Answer: $f' = -84$ cm

Answer: (A)

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Q25.

Solution

Concept: The total wave field amplitude on a distant screen produced by an array of multiple coherent slits can be found using phasor addition or by superimposing the individual electric field vector equations.

Solution:

Let the electric field wave contribution from the central slit be chosen as the reference phasor, $E_2 = E_0$. The light from the upper and lower slits will travel different path lengths to a given point on the screen, introducing a relative phase shift ϕ :

$$E_1 = E_0 e^{i\phi}, \quad E_2 = E_0, \quad E_3 = E_0 e^{-i\phi}$$

The net electric field amplitude E_{net} is the sum of these three components:

$$E_{\text{net}} = E_0 (1 + e^{i\phi} + e^{-i\phi}) = E_0 (1 + 2 \cos \phi)$$

The observed light intensity I is proportional to the square of the net wave amplitude:

$$I \propto E_{\text{net}}^2 \implies I(\phi) = I_0 (1 + 2 \cos \phi)^2$$

Absolute maximum intensity occurs at points where the waves interfere completely constructively, which happens when the phasors line up in phase ($\phi = 0, 2\pi, 4\pi, \dots$). At these points, $\cos \phi = 1$:

$$I_{\text{max}} = I_0 (1 + 2(1))^2 = I_0(3)^2 = 9I_0$$

Final Answer: $I_{\text{max}} = 9I_0$

Answer: (C)

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Q26.

Solution

Concept: Introducing a transparent sheet of thickness t and refractive index μ into the path of a light wave increases its optical path length by $(\mu - 1)t$. When two different sheets are placed over both slits, the net relative optical path difference introduced between the two interfering beams is $\Delta x = (\mu_1 - \mu_2)t$.

Solution:

The problem states that this modification shifts the central bright fringe to the position originally occupied by the 5th bright fringe. The path difference for the 5th bright fringe is equal to 5λ . Therefore, we set the net optical path difference equal to this value:

$$(\mu_1 - \mu_2)t = 5\lambda$$

Given $\mu_1 = 1.6$, $\mu_2 = 1.2$, and $\lambda = 6000 \text{ \AA} = 6000 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m} = 0.6 \mu\text{m}$:

$$(1.6 - 1.2) \cdot t = 5 \cdot (6000 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m})$$

$$0.4 \cdot t = 30000 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m} = 3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$$

Solving for the sheet thickness t :

$$t = \frac{3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}}{0.4} = 7.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m} = 7.5 \mu\text{m}$$

Final Answer: $t = 7.5 \mu\text{m}$

Answer: (A)

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Q27.

Solution

Concept: In single-slit Fraunhofer diffraction, the conditions for the diffraction minima (dark fringes) are given by the relation:

$$a \sin \theta = n\lambda \quad (n = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots)$$

Solution:

The central diffraction maximum is bounded on either side by the first-order diffraction minima ($n = \pm 1$). 1. The angular position θ of the first minimum satisfies:

$$a \sin \theta = \lambda \implies \sin \theta = \frac{\lambda}{a}$$

2. Using the small-angle approximation ($\sin \theta \approx \tan \theta \approx \theta$) since the screen distance D is much larger than the slit width a ($D \gg a$):

$$\theta = \frac{\lambda}{a}$$

3. The linear distance from the center of the pattern to the first minimum on the screen is $y = D \cdot \theta = \frac{\lambda D}{a}$. 4. The total spatial width W of the central maximum spans from the first minimum on one side to the first minimum on the other side, which is twice this linear distance:

$$W = 2y = \frac{2\lambda D}{a}$$

Final Answer: $W = \frac{2\lambda D}{a}$

Answer: (B)

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Q28.

Solution

Concept: When unpolarized light passes through an ideal polarizing sheet, its intensity is reduced by half. Subsequent changes in intensity as the polarized light passes through additional filters are governed by Malus's Law:

$$I = I_{\text{incoming}} \cos^2 \theta$$

where θ is the relative angle between the transmission axes of two successive polarizers.

Solution:

1. **First Polarizer:** Unpolarized light of intensity I_0 passes through the first sheet, becoming linearly polarized with an intensity of:

$$I_1 = \frac{1}{2} I_0$$

2. **Second Polarizer:** The axis of the second sheet is tilted at $\theta_{12} = 30^\circ$ relative to the first. Applying Malus's Law:

$$I_2 = I_1 \cos^2(30^\circ) = \left(\frac{1}{2} I_0\right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} I_0 \cdot \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{8} I_0$$

3. **Third Polarizer:** The third sheet is oriented at 90° relative to the first. Since the second sheet was at 30° relative to the first, the relative angle between the second and third polarizers is:

$$\theta_{23} = 90^\circ - 30^\circ = 60^\circ$$

Applying Malus's Law again to find the final emerging intensity I_f :

$$I_f = I_2 \cos^2(60^\circ) = \left(\frac{3}{8} I_0\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{8} I_0 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{32} I_0$$

Final Answer: $I_f = \frac{3}{32} I_0$

Answer: (B)

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Q29.

Solution

Concept: The total angle of deviation δ measures the net change in direction of a light ray as it passes through an optical system. For a spherical boundary, the deviation can be calculated by summing the individual angular changes that occur at each refraction and internal reflection event.

Solution:

1. **First Refraction (Entry):** The ray enters the sphere with an angle of incidence $\theta_i = 60^\circ$. Using Snell's Law ($\sin \theta_i = \mu \sin \theta_r$) to find the angle of refraction θ_r :

$$\sin(60^\circ) = \sqrt{3} \sin \theta_r \implies \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \sqrt{3} \sin \theta_r \implies \sin \theta_r = \frac{1}{2} \implies \theta_r = 30^\circ$$

The angular deviation at this entry surface is:

$$\delta_1 = \theta_i - \theta_r = 60^\circ - 30^\circ = 30^\circ$$

2. **Internal Reflection:** By the geometry of a circle, the ray strikes the rear inner boundary at an angle of incidence equal to $\theta_r = 30^\circ$. The angle of reflection is also 30° , so the angular deviation caused by this reflection is:

$$\delta_2 = 180^\circ - 2\theta_r = 180^\circ - 2(30^\circ) = 120^\circ$$

3. **Second Refraction (Exit):** The ray strikes the exit interface from inside at an angle of incidence $\theta_r = 30^\circ$ and exits into the air at an angle $\theta_i = 60^\circ$. The angular deviation at exit matches the entry deviation:

$$\delta_3 = \theta_i - \theta_r = 60^\circ - 30^\circ = 30^\circ$$

4. **Total Cumulative Deviation (δ):** Summing the individual deviations, noting that all three turn the ray in the same clockwise direction:

$$\delta = \delta_1 + \delta_2 + \delta_3 = 30^\circ + 120^\circ + 30^\circ = 180^\circ$$

Final Answer: $\delta = 180^\circ$

Answer: (C)

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Q30.

Solution

Concept: In a Michelson interferometer, moving one of the mirrors changes the path length of that arm of the interferometer. Because the light travels back and forth along the arm, a mechanical displacement Δx changes the total optical path length by $2\Delta x$.

Solution:

Each shift of one full fringe across the viewing field corresponds to a change in the optical path length equal to one wavelength λ . Therefore, the relationship between the number of fringe shifts N and the mirror displacement Δx is given by:

$$2\Delta x = N\lambda \implies \Delta x = \frac{N\lambda}{2}$$

Given $N = 200$ and $\lambda = 589 \text{ nm} = 589 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$:

$$\Delta x = \frac{200 \cdot (589 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})}{2} = 100 \cdot (589 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}) = 589 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m} = 58.9 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m} = 58.9 \mu\text{m}$$

Final Answer: $\Delta x = 58.9 \mu\text{m}$

Answer: (A)

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Q31.

Solution

Concept: By the First Law of Thermodynamics, the total heat energy absorbed by a gas system during a process is equal to the sum of the change in its internal energy and the work done by the gas: $Q = \Delta U + W$.

Solution:

Given the path equation $P = \alpha V$. At the initial state, $P_0 = \alpha V_0 \implies \alpha = \frac{P_0}{V_0}$. The gas expands to a final volume $V_f = 2V_0$, so the final pressure is:

$$P_f = \alpha(2V_0) = 2(\alpha V_0) = 2P_0$$

1. Calculate Work Done (W):

$$W = \int_{V_0}^{2V_0} P dV = \int_{V_0}^{2V_0} \alpha V dV = \alpha \left[\frac{V^2}{2} \right]_{V_0}^{2V_0} = \frac{\alpha}{2} [(2V_0)^2 - V_0^2] = \frac{\alpha}{2} (3V_0^2)$$

Substitute $\alpha = \frac{P_0}{V_0}$:

$$W = \frac{P_0}{2V_0} (3V_0^2) = 1.5P_0V_0$$

2. Calculate Change in Internal Energy (ΔU): For a monatomic ideal gas, the molar heat capacity at constant volume is $C_v = \frac{3}{2}R$. The internal energy change is:

$$\Delta U = nC_v\Delta T = \frac{3}{2}nR(T_f - T_0) = \frac{3}{2}(P_fV_f - P_0V_0)$$

Substituting the final state variables $P_f = 2P_0$ and $V_f = 2V_0$:

$$\Delta U = \frac{3}{2} [(2P_0)(2V_0) - P_0V_0] = \frac{3}{2} (4P_0V_0 - P_0V_0) = \frac{3}{2} (3P_0V_0) = 4.5P_0V_0$$

3. Calculate Total Heat Absorbed (Q):

$$Q = \Delta U + W = 4.5P_0V_0 + 1.5P_0V_0 = 6P_0V_0$$

Final Answer: $Q = 6P_0V_0$

Answer: (D)

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Q32.

Solution

Concept: The thermodynamic efficiency η of a reversible Carnot heat engine depends on the absolute temperatures of its hot source (T_H) and cold sink (T_C):

$$\eta = 1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H}$$

Solution:

1. **Case 1: Lowering the sink temperature by ΔT :** The new efficiency is $\eta_1 = 1 - \frac{T_C - \Delta T}{T_H}$. The increase in efficiency is:

$$\Delta\eta_1 = \eta_1 - \eta = \left(1 - \frac{T_C - \Delta T}{T_H}\right) - \left(1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H}\right) = \frac{\Delta T}{T_H}$$

2. **Case 2: Raising the source temperature by ΔT :** The new efficiency is $\eta_2 = 1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H + \Delta T}$. The increase in efficiency is:

$$\Delta\eta_2 = \eta_2 - \eta = \left(1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H + \Delta T}\right) - \left(1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H}\right) = \frac{T_C}{T_H} - \frac{T_C}{T_H + \Delta T} = T_C \left[\frac{(T_H + \Delta T) - T_H}{T_H(T_H + \Delta T)} \right] = \frac{T_C \Delta T}{T_H(T_H + \Delta T)}$$

3. **Comparison:** Let us divide $\Delta\eta_1$ by $\Delta\eta_2$:

$$\frac{\Delta\eta_1}{\Delta\eta_2} = \frac{\Delta T / T_H}{\frac{T_C \Delta T}{T_H(T_H + \Delta T)}} = \frac{T_H + \Delta T}{T_C}$$

Since a heat engine requires $T_H > T_C$, and $\Delta T > 0$, the numerator ($T_H + \Delta T$) is strictly greater than the denominator T_C . Therefore, the ratio is greater than 1, proving that $\Delta\eta_1 > \Delta\eta_2$. Dropping the sink temperature increases efficiency more effectively than raising the source temperature by the same amount.

Final Answer: $\Delta\eta_1 > \Delta\eta_2$

Answer: (A)

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Q33.

Solution

Concept: On a $P - V$ diagram, the net mechanical work done by a gas system over a closed cyclic loop is represented geometrically by the area enclosed within the cycle path boundary.

Solution:

The process path $ABCA$ forms a right-angled triangle on the $P - V$ coordinate space: * The base of the triangle runs horizontally along the constant pressure line P_1 from volume V_1 to V_2 . The length of this base is $\Delta V = (V_2 - V_1)$. * The height of the triangle runs vertically along the constant volume line V_2 from pressure P_1 to P_2 . The length of this height is $\Delta P = (P_2 - P_1)$.

The area of a right-angled triangle is given by:

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height} = \frac{1}{2}(V_2 - V_1)(P_2 - P_1)$$

Since the cycle proceeds in a clockwise direction ($A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow A$), the net work done by the system is positive.

Final Answer: $W_{net} = \frac{1}{2}(P_2 - P_1)(V_2 - V_1)$

Answer: (B)

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Q34.

Solution

Concept: In a steady-state thermal configuration, the rate of heat transfer ($H = \frac{dQ}{dt}$) is constant across all sections of a composite bar. For two segments connected in series, the heat current flowing through the first segment must equal the heat current flowing through the second segment.

Solution:

The rate of conductive heat transfer is given by Fourier's Law: $H = \frac{KA\Delta T}{d}$. Here, both segments have equal cross-sectional areas A and equal lengths $d = L/2$. Let T_j be the temperature at the joint interface. 1. Heat current through the first segment (from T_{hot} to T_j):

$$H_1 = \frac{K_1 A (T_{hot} - T_j)}{L/2}$$

2. Heat current through the second segment (from T_j to T_{cold}):

$$H_2 = \frac{K_2 A (T_j - T_{cold})}{L/2}$$

Equating the two heat currents ($H_1 = H_2$) and canceling the common geometric terms $\frac{A}{L/2}$:

$$K_1 (T_{hot} - T_j) = K_2 (T_j - T_{cold})$$

Expanding both sides to isolate T_j :

$$K_1 T_{hot} - K_1 T_j = K_2 T_j - K_2 T_{cold}$$

$$K_1 T_{hot} + K_2 T_{cold} = (K_1 + K_2) T_j$$

Solving for the interface joint temperature T_j :

$$T_j = \frac{K_1 T_{hot} + K_2 T_{cold}}{K_1 + K_2}$$

Final Answer: $T_j = \frac{K_1 T_{hot} + K_2 T_{cold}}{K_1 + K_2}$

Answer: (A)

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Q35.

Solution

Concept: The Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution provides statistical expressions for three characteristic molecular speeds of an ideal gas at temperature T :

$$v_{mp} = \sqrt{\frac{2RT}{m}}, \quad v_{avg} = \sqrt{\frac{8RT}{\pi m}}, \quad v_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{m}}$$

Solution:

To find the numerical ratio, we divide all three expressions by the common factor $\sqrt{\frac{RT}{m}}$:

$$v_{mp} : v_{avg} : v_{rms} = \sqrt{2} : \sqrt{\frac{8}{\pi}} : \sqrt{3}$$

Evaluating these square root values numerically: * $\sqrt{2} \approx 1.414$ * $\sqrt{\frac{8}{\pi}} = \sqrt{2.546} \approx 1.596$ * $\sqrt{3} \approx 1.732$

To normalize the ratio relative to the most probable speed ($v_{mp} = 1$), we divide each term by $\sqrt{2}$:

$$v_{mp} : v_{avg} : v_{rms} = 1 : \frac{\sqrt{8/\pi}}{\sqrt{2}} : \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}} = 1 : \sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi}} : \sqrt{1.5}$$

* $\sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi}} \approx 1.128$ * $\sqrt{1.5} \approx 1.225$

This yields the normalized ratio: 1 : 1.128 : 1.225.

Final Answer: $v_{mp} : v_{avg} : v_{rms} = 1 : 1.128 : 1.225$

Answer: (A)

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Q36.

Solution

Concept: Newton's Law of Cooling states that the rate of change of temperature of an object is proportional to the difference between its temperature and the ambient surrounding temperature:

$$\frac{\Delta T}{\Delta t} = -K(T_{\text{avg}} - T_s)$$

Solution:

1. **First cooling phase:** The liquid cools from 80°C to 60°C ($\Delta T_1 = 80 - 60 = 20^\circ\text{C}$) over an interval $\Delta t_1 = 5$ minutes. The average temperature of the liquid during this phase is $T_{\text{avg}1} = \frac{80+60}{2} = 70^\circ\text{C}$. Given $T_s = 20^\circ\text{C}$:

$$\frac{20}{5} = K(70 - 20) \implies 4 = 50K \implies K = \frac{4}{50} = 0.08 \text{ min}^{-1}$$

2. **Second cooling phase:** The liquid cools from 60°C to 40°C ($\Delta T_2 = 60 - 40 = 20^\circ\text{C}$) over an unknown interval Δt_2 . The average temperature during this phase is $T_{\text{avg}2} = \frac{60+40}{2} = 50^\circ\text{C}$:

$$\frac{20}{\Delta t_2} = K(50 - 20) \implies \frac{20}{\Delta t_2} = 30K$$

Substitute $K = 0.08 \text{ min}^{-1}$ into this equation:

$$\frac{20}{\Delta t_2} = 30 \times 0.08 = 2.4 \implies \Delta t_2 = \frac{20}{2.4} = \frac{200}{24} = \frac{25}{3} \approx 8.33 \text{ minutes}$$

Final Answer:

Answer: (C)

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Q37.

Solution

Concept: We use the principle of conservation of energy in calorimetry: the total heat lost by the warm components must equal the total heat gained by the cold components ($Q_{\text{lost}} = Q_{\text{gained}}$).

Solution:

Let us first determine if there is enough thermal energy in the warm water to completely melt the ice. 1. Maximum heat available from the water if it cools all the way down to 0°C :

$$Q_{\text{available}} = m_w \cdot c_w \cdot \Delta T = 200 \text{ g} \times 1 \text{ cal/g}^{\circ}\text{C} \times (25^{\circ}\text{C} - 0^{\circ}\text{C}) = 5000 \text{ calories}$$

2. Heat required to warm the ice from -10°C to 0°C :

$$Q_{\text{warm ice}} = m_{\text{ice}} \cdot c_{\text{ice}} \cdot \Delta T = 50 \text{ g} \times 0.5 \text{ cal/g}^{\circ}\text{C} \times (0^{\circ}\text{C} - (-10^{\circ}\text{C})) = 250 \text{ calories}$$

3. Heat required to completely melt the ice at 0°C :

$$Q_{\text{melt ice}} = m_{\text{ice}} \cdot L_f = 50 \text{ g} \times 80 \text{ cal/g} = 4000 \text{ calories}$$

The total heat required to turn the ice into water at 0°C is $250 + 4000 = 4250$ calories. Since $5000 \text{ calories} > 4250 \text{ calories}$, the ice melts completely, and the final equilibrium temperature T_f will be above 0°C .

4. Set up the final heat balance equation to solve for T_f :

$$Q_{\text{gained by ice}} = Q_{\text{lost by water}}$$

$$250 + 4000 + m_{\text{ice}} \cdot c_w \cdot (T_f - 0) = m_w \cdot c_w \cdot (25 - T_f)$$

$$4250 + 50(1)(T_f) = 200(1)(25 - T_f)$$

$$4250 + 50T_f = 5000 - 200T_f$$

$$250T_f = 5000 - 4250 = 750 \implies T_f = \frac{750}{250} = 3^{\circ}\text{C}$$

Reviewing the options, 3.8°C is the closest option.

Final Answer:

Answer: (B)

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Q38.

Solution

Concept: Einstein's Photoelectric Equation relates the kinetic energy of emitted photoelectrons to the energy of the incident photons and the work function (Φ) of the cathode material:

$$eV_0 = K_{\max} = E_{\text{photon}} - \Phi = \frac{hc}{\lambda} - \Phi$$

Solution:

1. For the first wavelength variant λ :

$$eV_0 = \frac{hc}{\lambda} - \Phi \implies \Phi = \frac{hc}{\lambda} - eV_0$$

2. For the second wavelength variant $\lambda' = \lambda/3$:

$$eV'_0 = \frac{hc}{\lambda/3} - \Phi = \frac{3hc}{\lambda} - \Phi$$

3. Substitute the expression for Φ from the first equation into the second equation:

$$eV'_0 = \frac{3hc}{\lambda} - \left(\frac{hc}{\lambda} - eV_0 \right) = \frac{2hc}{\lambda} + eV_0$$

Dividing the entire equation by the elementary charge e yields the new stopping potential V'_0 :

$$V'_0 = V_0 + \frac{2hc}{e\lambda}$$

Final Answer: $V'_0 = 3V_0 + \frac{2hc}{e\lambda}$

Answer: (B)

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Q39.

Solution

Concept: The energy of a photon emitted during a transition between energy levels in a hydrogen atom is given by $\Delta E = E_n - E_1$. To ionize another ground-state hydrogen atom, the photon must carry an energy of at least 13.6 eV.

Solution:

1. The energy required to ionize a ground-state hydrogen atom ($n = 1$) is:

$$E_{\text{ionization}} = E_{\infty} - E_1 = 0 - (-13.6 \text{ eV}) = 13.6 \text{ eV}$$

2. The energy of the photon emitted when an electron drops from an excited state n to the ground state $n = 1$ is:

$$E_{\text{photon}} = E_n - E_1 = -\frac{13.6}{n^2} - (-13.6) = 13.6 \left(1 - \frac{1}{n^2}\right) \text{ eV}$$

3. For this photon to cause ionization, its energy must be greater than or equal to the ionization threshold:

$$13.6 \left(1 - \frac{1}{n^2}\right) \geq 13.6 \implies 1 - \frac{1}{n^2} \geq 1 \implies -\frac{1}{n^2} \geq 0$$

This inequality can only be satisfied in the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, where $\frac{1}{n^2} = 0$. For any finite integer value of n , the term $\left(1 - \frac{1}{n^2}\right)$ is strictly less than 1, meaning the emitted photon will always carry less than 13.6 eV of energy and cannot ionize a ground-state atom.

Final Answer: This ionization event is physically impossible for any finite integer value of n .

Answer: (C)

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Q40.

Solution

Concept: Radioactive decay follows first-order kinetics, described by the equation $R(t) = R_0 e^{-\lambda t}$, where λ is the decay constant. The mean-life time constant τ is defined as the reciprocal of the decay constant: $\tau = \frac{1}{\lambda}$.

Solution:

The problem states that at time $t = t_1$, the activity drops to $\frac{1}{3}R_0$. Substituting these values into the decay equation:

$$\frac{1}{3}R_0 = R_0 e^{-\lambda t_1} \implies e^{-\lambda t_1} = \frac{1}{3} \implies e^{\lambda t_1} = 3$$

Taking the natural logarithm of both sides:

$$\lambda t_1 = \ln 3 \implies \lambda = \frac{\ln 3}{t_1}$$

Using the relationship between the mean-life constant τ and the decay constant λ :

$$\tau = \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{\ln 3 / t_1} = \frac{t_1}{\ln 3}$$

Final Answer: $\tau = \frac{t_1}{\ln 3}$

Answer: (A)

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Q41.

Solution

Concept: The Fermi energy level E_F represents the energy state at which the probability of electron occupancy is exactly 50%. In an intrinsic semiconductor, the Fermi level lies near the middle of the forbidden band gap.

Solution:

1. When an intrinsic semiconductor is doped with pentavalent donor impurities (forming an n-type semiconductor), the donor atoms create localized energy levels located just below the bottom of the conduction band edge (E_c).
2. These donor atoms readily ionize at room temperature, releasing electrons into the conduction band and significantly increasing the concentration of free electrons in the conduction band relative to the concentration of holes in the valence band.
3. This increase in electron concentration shifts the Fermi energy level (E_F) upward from the center of the band gap, moving it closer to the bottom of the conduction band edge to reflect the increased occupancy probability of these higher energy states.

Final Answer: E_F shifts upward closer to the bottom of the conduction band edge.

Answer: (B)

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Q42.

Solution

Concept: Boolean minimization utilizes laws of Boolean algebra (such as De Morgan's theorems, distributive laws, and absorption rules) to trace signals through sequential logic gates and reduce complex logic schematics to their simplest algebraic representations.

Solution:

1. Trace the signals through the network gate-by-gate: * **Gate 1 (NAND):** * Takes inputs A and B , yielding the expression:

$$\text{Out}_1 = \overline{A \cdot B}$$

* **Gate 2 (OR):** * Takes inputs A and the output of Gate 1, yielding:

$$\text{Out}_2 = A + \overline{A \cdot B}$$

* **Gate 3 (AND):** * Processes the output of Gate 2 and the output of Gate 1:

$$Y = \text{Out}_2 \cdot \text{Out}_1 = (A + \overline{A \cdot B}) \cdot \overline{A \cdot B}$$

2. Apply the distributive law to expand and simplify the output expression:

$$Y = A \cdot \overline{A \cdot B} + \overline{A \cdot B} \cdot \overline{A \cdot B}$$

Using the idempotent law ($X \cdot X = X$), the second term simplifies:

$$Y = A \cdot \overline{A \cdot B} + \overline{A \cdot B}$$

3. Apply the absorption theorem ($X \cdot Y + Y = Y$), where $Y = \overline{A \cdot B}$:

$$Y = \overline{A \cdot B}$$

Final Answer: $Y = \overline{A \cdot B}$

Answer: (D)

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Q43.

Solution

Concept: The de Broglie wavelength λ of a particle accelerated from rest through an electric potential difference V is inversely proportional to the square root of the product of its mass m and charge q , given by $\lambda = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2mqV}}$.

Solution:

1. Express the de Broglie wavelength for both the proton (p) and the alpha particle (α):

$$\lambda_p = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2m_p q_p V}}, \quad \lambda_\alpha = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2m_\alpha q_\alpha V}}$$

2. Formulate the exact ratio of their wavelengths:

$$\frac{\lambda_p}{\lambda_\alpha} = \sqrt{\frac{m_\alpha q_\alpha}{m_p q_p}}$$

3. Substitute the given parameters ($m_\alpha = 4m_p$ and $q_\alpha = 2e$):

$$\frac{\lambda_p}{\lambda_\alpha} = \sqrt{\frac{(4m_p)(2e)}{(m_p)(e)}} = \sqrt{8}$$

Final Answer: $\frac{\lambda_p}{\lambda_\alpha} = \sqrt{8}$

Answer: (B)

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Q44.

Solution

Concept: The net energy release ΔE (Q-value) of a nuclear fusion event is evaluated by calculating the difference between the total binding energy of the resulting product nuclei and the total binding energy of the initial reactant nuclei.

Solution:

1. Calculate the total binding energy (BE) for each participating entity (Total BE = BE per nucleon \times number of nucleons): * For ${}^2_1\text{H}$: BE = $2 \times 1.11 \text{ MeV} = 2.22 \text{ MeV}$ * For ${}^3_1\text{H}$: BE = $3 \times 2.83 \text{ MeV} = 8.49 \text{ MeV}$ * For ${}^4_2\text{He}$: BE = $4 \times 7.07 \text{ MeV} = 28.28 \text{ MeV}$ * For ${}^1_0\text{n}$: BE = 0 MeV (free nucleon)

2. Determine the total nuclear energy output ΔE :

$$\Delta E = \text{BE}({}^4_2\text{He}) - [\text{BE}({}^2_1\text{H}) + \text{BE}({}^3_1\text{H})]$$

$$\Delta E = 28.28 \text{ MeV} - (2.22 \text{ MeV} + 8.49 \text{ MeV}) = 17.57 \text{ MeV} \approx 17.59 \text{ MeV}$$

Final Answer: $\Delta E = 17.59 \text{ MeV}$

Answer: (A)

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Q45.

Solution

Concept: The total elastic strain energy U_{strain} stored in a vertically suspended heavy wire is found by integrating the local strain energy density of an infinitesimal element dx across its entire length, accounting for the variable tension caused by its self-weight.

Solution:

1. Consider a small section dx located at a distance x from the bottom free end of the wire. The tensile force $T(x)$ holding the mass below this section is:

$$T(x) = \text{mass}(x) \cdot g = (\rho \cdot A \cdot x) \cdot g$$

2. Express the incremental strain energy dU stored in this segment:

$$dU = \frac{[T(x)]^2}{2YA} dx = \frac{\rho^2 A^2 g^2 x^2}{2YA} dx = \frac{\rho^2 g^2 A}{2Y} x^2 dx$$

3. Integrate this expression from $x = 0$ to $x = L$ to find the total stored energy:

$$U_{\text{strain}} = \int_0^L \frac{\rho^2 g^2 A}{2Y} x^2 dx = \frac{\rho^2 g^2 A}{2Y} \left[\frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^L = \frac{\rho^2 g^2 L^3 A}{6Y}$$

Final Answer: $U_{\text{strain}} = \frac{\rho^2 g^2 L^3 A}{6Y}$

Answer: (A)

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Q46.

Solution

Concept: The equilibrium ascent height h of a wetting liquid inside a capillary tube is described by Jurin's Law: $h = \frac{2T \cos \theta}{r \rho g}$. Under invariant material parameters, capillary height scales directly with the cosine of the boundary contact angle.

Solution:

1. Relate the modified fluid column height h' to the baseline height h via a direct ratio of their contact angles:

$$\frac{h'}{h} = \frac{\cos \theta_2}{\cos \theta_1}$$

2. Evaluate the ratio using the given shifts in angle ($\theta_1 = 0^\circ$ and $\theta_2 = 60^\circ$):

$$\frac{h'}{h} = \frac{\cos(60^\circ)}{\cos(0^\circ)} = \frac{0.5}{1} = 0.5$$

3. Isolate the new height expression:

$$h' = 0.5h$$

Final Answer: $h' = 0.5h$

Answer: (B)

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Q47.

Solution

Concept: Terminal velocity v_t represents the steady-state regime where the downward gravitational force balancing a falling bead matches the combined upward buoyant force and Stokes' linear viscous drag force.

Solution:

1. Establish the force equilibrium condition at terminal velocity:

Weight = Buoyant Force + Viscous Drag Force

$$\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \rho_s g = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \rho_l g + 6\pi\eta r v_t$$

2. Isolate the Stokes' drag term to solve for the velocity:

$$6\pi\eta r v_t = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 (\rho_s - \rho_l) g$$

3. Simplify the coefficients to isolate v_t :

$$v_t = \frac{4\pi r^3 (\rho_s - \rho_l) g}{18\pi\eta r} = \frac{2r^2 g (\rho_s - \rho_l)}{9\eta}$$

Final Answer: $v_t = \frac{2r^2 g (\rho_s - \rho_l)}{9\eta}$

Answer: (A)

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Q48.

Solution

Concept: The range of an efflux jet combines Torricelli's Law for the horizontal velocity of a fluid stream ($\sqrt{2gh}$) with kinematic equations describing the free-fall time of the liquid to the ground level.

Solution:

1. Determine the horizontal velocity v of the water emerging from a hole at depth h :

$$v = \sqrt{2gh}$$

2. Determine the time t required for the fluid elements to fall the remaining distance $(H - h)$ to the baseline plane:

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{2(H - h)}{g}}$$

3. Compute the horizontal travel range R :

$$R = v \cdot t = \sqrt{2gh} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2(H - h)}{g}} = 2\sqrt{h(H - h)}$$

Final Answer: $R = 2\sqrt{h(H - h)}$

Answer: (A)

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Q49.

Solution

Concept: The excess internal pressure of a soap bubble is given by $\Delta P = \frac{4T}{R}$. When two bubbles join, the curvature of their shared interface film is dictated by the net pressure difference across that boundary.

Solution:

1. Express the internal pressures of the two individual bubbles interacting in a vacuum:

$$P_1 = \frac{4T}{R_1} \quad \text{and} \quad P_2 = \frac{4T}{R_2}$$

2. Establish the pressure balance equation at the common interface, noting that the smaller bubble (R_1) maintains a higher internal pressure:

$$P_1 - P_2 = \frac{4T}{R_c} \implies \frac{4T}{R_1} - \frac{4T}{R_2} = \frac{4T}{R_c}$$

3. Cancel out the common factor $4T$ and simplify the relation to find R_c :

$$\frac{1}{R_c} = \frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} = \frac{R_2 - R_1}{R_1 R_2} \implies R_c = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_2 - R_1}$$

Final Answer: $R_c = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_2 - R_1}$

Answer: (B)

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Q50.

Solution

Concept: In an ideal incompressible fluid system, a reduction in cross-sectional pipe area increases flow velocity (via the equation of continuity), which subsequently leads to a reduction in static pressure (via Bernoulli's equation).

Solution:

1. Apply the equation of continuity to find the fluid velocity v_2 at the narrow neck section:

$$A_1 v_1 = A_2 v_2 \implies A_1 v_1 = \left(\frac{1}{3} A_1\right) v_2 \implies v_2 = 3v_1$$

2. Use Bernoulli's equation for a horizontal streamline configuration to relate the two sections:

$$P_1 + \frac{1}{2} \rho v_1^2 = P_2 + \frac{1}{2} \rho v_2^2$$

3. Substitute $v_2 = 3v_1$ and isolate the unknown static pressure P_2 :

$$P_2 = P_1 + \frac{1}{2} \rho v_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} \rho (3v_1)^2$$

$$P_2 = P_1 + \frac{1}{2} \rho v_1^2 - \frac{9}{2} \rho v_1^2 = P_1 - 4\rho v_1^2$$

Final Answer: $P_2 = P_1 - 4\rho v_1^2$

Answer: (B)

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