



# Cambridge International AS & A Level

**PHYSICS**

**9702/01**

Paper 1 Multiple Choice

**For examination from 2022**

SPECIMEN PAPER

**1 hour 15 minutes**

You must answer on the multiple choice answer sheet.

You will need: Multiple choice answer sheet  
Soft clean eraser  
Soft pencil (type B or HB is recommended)



## INSTRUCTIONS

- There are **forty** questions on this paper. Answer **all** questions.
- For each question there are four possible answers **A, B, C** and **D**. Choose the **one** you consider correct and record your choice in soft pencil on the multiple choice answer sheet.
- Follow the instructions on the multiple choice answer sheet.
- Write in soft pencil.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number on the multiple choice answer sheet in the spaces provided unless this has been done for you.
- Do **not** use correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.

## INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- Each correct answer will score one mark. A mark will not be deducted for a wrong answer.
- Any rough working should be done on this question paper.

This document has **18** pages. Blank pages are indicated.

**Data**

acceleration of free fall	$g = 9.81 \text{ ms}^{-2}$
speed of light in free space	$c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
elementary charge	$e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
unified atomic mass unit	$1 \text{ u} = 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
rest mass of proton	$m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
rest mass of electron	$m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
Avogadro constant	$N_A = 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
molar gas constant	$R = 8.31 \text{ JK}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
Boltzmann constant	$k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ JK}^{-1}$
gravitational constant	$G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2}$
permittivity of free space	$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ Fm}^{-1}$ $(\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} = 8.99 \times 10^9 \text{ mF}^{-1})$
Planck constant	$h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$
Stefan–Boltzmann constant	$\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ Wm}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-4}$

**Formulae**

uniformly accelerated motion	$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$ $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$
hydrostatic pressure	$\Delta p = \rho g \Delta h$
upthrust	$F = \rho g V$
Doppler effect for sound waves	$f_o = \frac{f_s v}{v \pm v_s}$
electric current	$I = Anvq$
resistors in series	$R = R_1 + R_2 + \dots$
resistors in parallel	$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots$

- 1 A student creates a table to show reasonable estimates of some physical quantities.

Which row is **not** a reasonable estimate?

	quantity	value
<b>A</b>	electric current in a fan heater	12A
<b>B</b>	mass of an adult person	70 kg
<b>C</b>	maximum speed of an Olympic sprint runner	10 m s <sup>-1</sup>
<b>D</b>	water pressure at the bottom of a garden pond	10 <sup>6</sup> Pa

- 2 Which expression has the same SI base units as pressure?

**A**  $\frac{\text{force}}{\text{length} \times \text{speed}}$

**B**  $\frac{\text{force}}{\text{length} \times \text{time}}$

**C**  $\frac{\text{mass}}{\text{length} \times (\text{time})^2}$

**D**  $\frac{\text{mass} \times (\text{time})^2}{\text{length}}$

- 3 The speed  $v$  of a liquid leaving a tube depends on the change in pressure  $\Delta P$  and the density  $\rho$  of the liquid. The speed is given by the equation

$$v = k \left( \frac{\Delta P}{\rho} \right)^n$$

where  $k$  is a constant that has no units.

What is the value of  $n$ ?

**A**  $\frac{1}{2}$

**B** 1

**C**  $\frac{3}{2}$

**D** 2

- 4 Which row correctly describes the quantities momentum, power and temperature?

	momentum	power	temperature
<b>A</b>	scalar	scalar	vector
<b>B</b>	scalar	vector	vector
<b>C</b>	vector	scalar	scalar
<b>D</b>	vector	vector	scalar

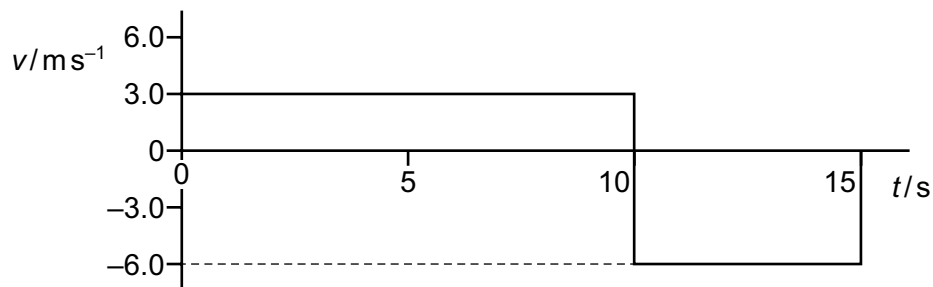
- 5 A girl throws a ball vertically upwards. It takes a time of 3.20 s to return to her hand.

Assume air resistance is negligible.

What is the initial speed with which the ball is thrown?

- A**  $3.07 \text{ ms}^{-1}$     **B**  $7.85 \text{ ms}^{-1}$     **C**  $15.7 \text{ ms}^{-1}$     **D**  $31.4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- 6 A radio-controlled toy car travels along a straight line for a time of 15 s.

The variation with time  $t$  of the velocity  $v$  of the car is shown.



What is the average velocity of the toy car for the journey shown by the graph?

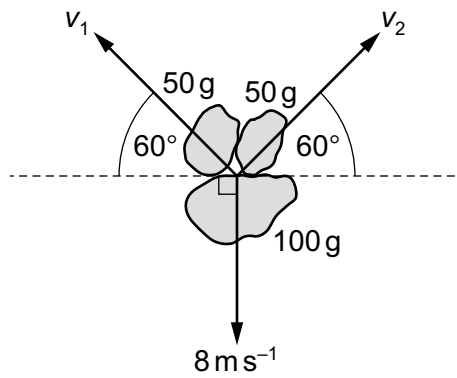
- A**  $-1.5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$     **B**  $0.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$     **C**  $4.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$     **D**  $4.5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- 7 The acceleration of free fall on Pluto is  $0.66 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ .

An object weighs 6.0 N on Earth.

What would this object weigh on Pluto?

- A** 0.40 N    **B** 0.93 N    **C** 4.0 N    **D** 39 N

- 8 A stationary firework explodes into three pieces moving in the same plane. The masses and the velocities of the three pieces immediately after the explosion are shown.



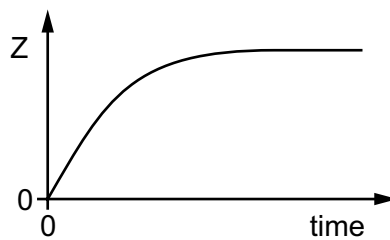
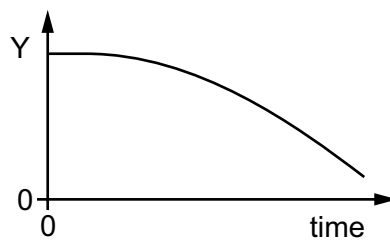
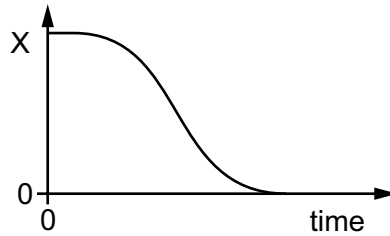
What are speeds  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ ?

	$v_1/\text{ms}^{-1}$	$v_2/\text{ms}^{-1}$
<b>A</b>	4.0	4.0
<b>B</b>	9.2	9.2
<b>C</b>	14	14
<b>D</b>	16	16

- 9 An object is dropped at time  $t = 0$  from a high building. Air resistance is significant.

Three graphs are plotted against time:

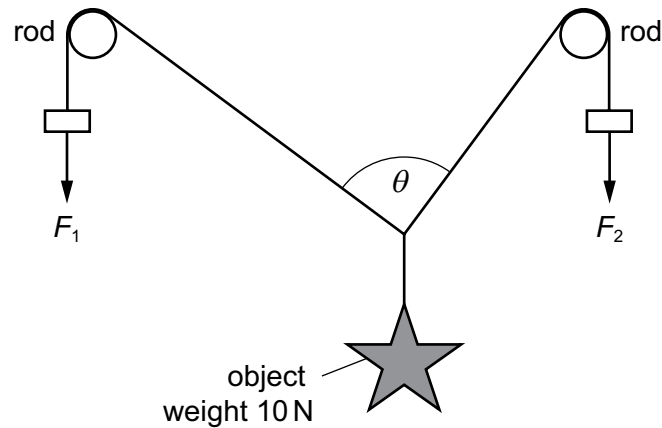
- the height of the object above the ground
- the speed of the object
- the magnitude of the resultant force on the object.



What are the quantities X, Y and Z?

	height of the object above the ground	speed of the object	magnitude of the resultant force on the object
<b>A</b>	X	Y	Z
<b>B</b>	X	Z	Y
<b>C</b>	Y	Z	X
<b>D</b>	Z	Y	X

- 10 An object hangs by means of two cords around two rods, as shown.



The object is held in equilibrium by the forces  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ . The object weighs 10 N. There is negligible friction between the rods and cords.

Which row of the table gives an angle  $\theta$  of  $90^\circ$ ?

	$F_1/\text{N}$	$F_2/\text{N}$
<b>A</b>	4.0	6.0
<b>B</b>	6.0	4.0
<b>C</b>	6.0	8.0
<b>D</b>	8.0	6.0

- 11 Which force is caused by a difference in hydrostatic pressure?

**A** friction      **B** upthrust      **C** viscous force      **D** weight

- 12 A car of mass 1400 kg is travelling on a straight, horizontal road at a constant speed of  $25 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . The useful output power from the car's engine is 30 kW.

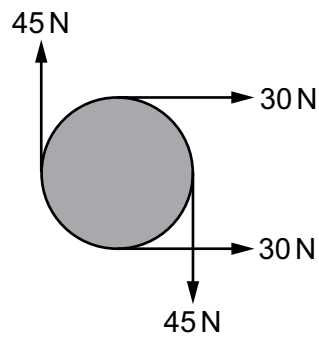
The car then travels up a slope at  $2.0^\circ$  to the horizontal, maintaining the same constant speed.



What is the useful output power of the car's engine when travelling up the slope?

**A** 12 kW      **B** 31 kW      **C** 42 kW      **D** 65 kW

- 13 The diagram shows four forces applied to a circular object.

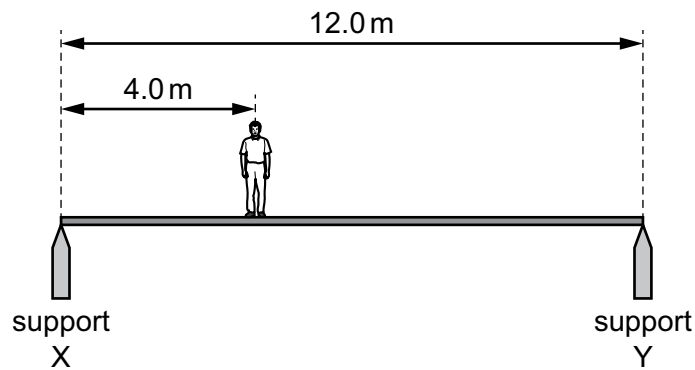


Which row describes the resultant force and resultant torque on the object?

	resultant force	resultant torque
<b>A</b>	non-zero	non-zero
<b>B</b>	non-zero	zero
<b>C</b>	zero	non-zero
<b>D</b>	zero	zero

- 14 A uniform horizontal footbridge is 12.0 m long and weighs 4000 N.

It rests on two supports X and Y, as shown.



A man of weight 600 N stands a distance of 4.0 m from support X.

What is the upward force on the footbridge from support X?

- A** 2200 N      **B** 2300 N      **C** 2400 N      **D** 2600 N



- 15 A metal block has a mass of 750g. Magnesium makes up 60% of the mass and the remaining 40% is copper.

The density of magnesium is  $1.7 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ .

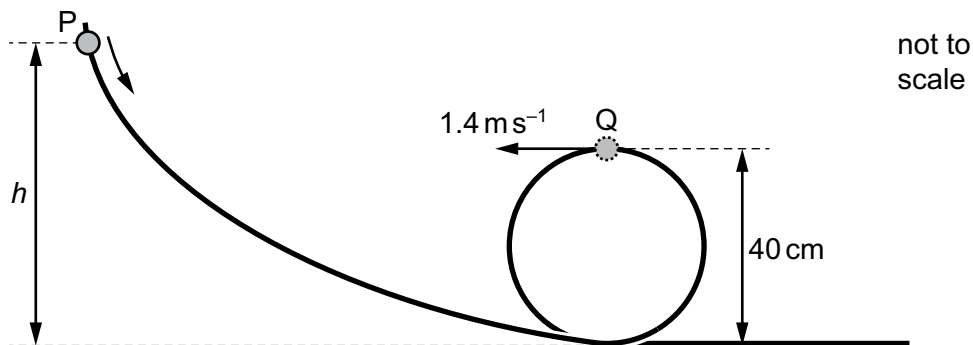
The density of copper is  $9.0 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ .

What is the density of the block?

- A  $2.5 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$     B  $4.6 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$     C  $5.4 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$     D  $10.7 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$
- 16 A man climbs slowly at a steady speed to the top of a ladder.

What is the **main** energy transfer taking place for the man as he climbs?

- A chemical potential to gravitational potential  
 B chemical potential to kinetic  
 C kinetic to gravitational potential  
 D thermal (heat) to kinetic
- 17 A bead is released from rest at point P and slides along a wire, as shown.



The wire loops around and forms a vertical circle of diameter 40 cm. At point Q, the bead has a speed of  $1.4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

Air resistance and friction on the wire are negligible.

What is the height  $h$  from which the bead is released?

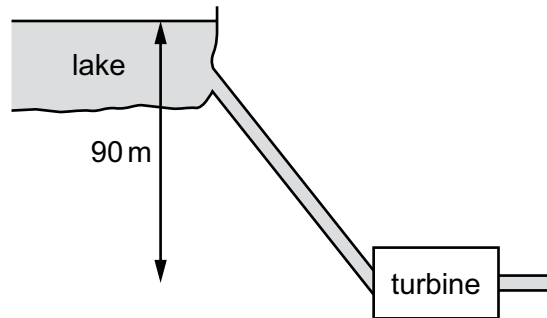
- A 0.30 m    B 0.40 m    C 0.50 m    D 0.60 m

- 18 A mass is raised vertically. In time  $t$ , the increase in its gravitational potential energy is  $E_p$  and the increase in its kinetic energy is  $E_k$ .

What is the average power input to the mass?

- A  $(E_p - E_k)t$       B  $(E_p + E_k)t$       C  $\frac{E_p - E_k}{t}$       D  $\frac{E_p + E_k}{t}$

- 19 Water flows from a lake into a turbine that is a vertical distance of 90 m below the lake, as shown.



The mass flow rate of the water is  $2400 \text{ kg min}^{-1}$ . The turbine has an efficiency of 75%.

What is the output power of the turbine?

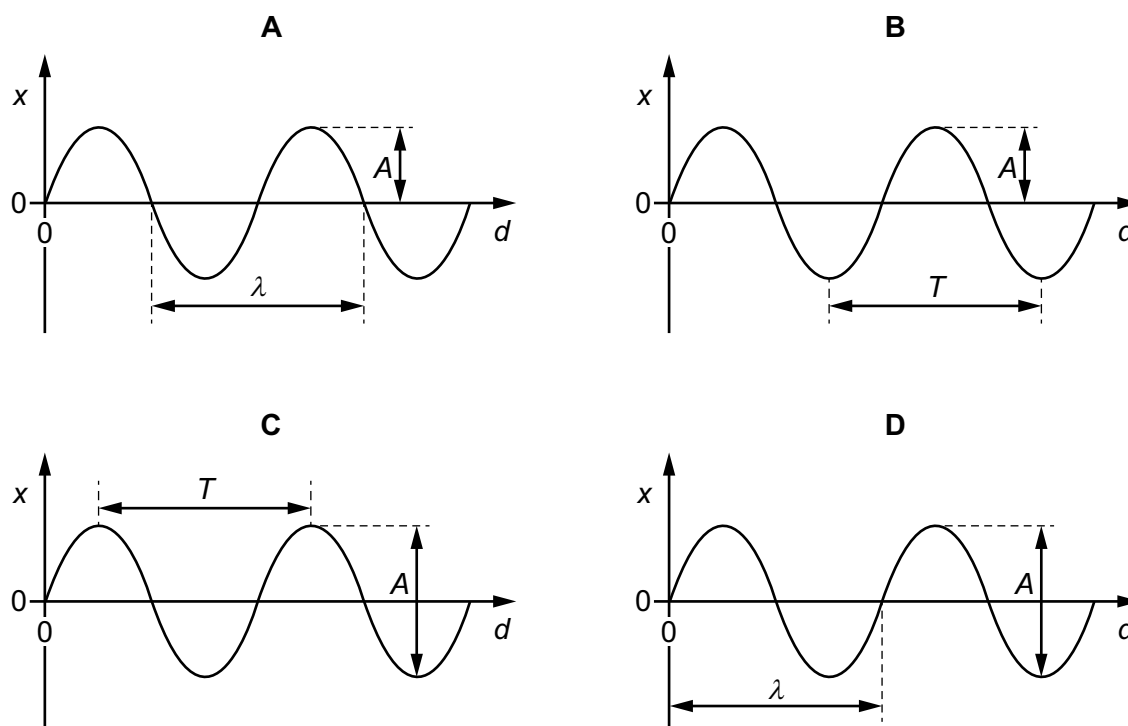
- A 26 kW      B 35 kW      C 1.6 MW      D 2.1 MW
- 20 A wire of diameter  $d$  and length  $l$  hangs vertically from a fixed point. The wire is extended by hanging a mass  $M$  on its end. The Young modulus of the wire is  $E$ . The acceleration of free fall is  $g$ .

Which equation is used to determine the extension  $x$  of the wire?

- A  $x = \frac{Ml}{\pi d E}$       B  $x = \frac{Mgl}{\pi d^2 E}$       C  $x = \frac{4Mgl}{\pi d E}$       D  $x = \frac{4Mgl}{\pi d^2 E}$

- 21 A wave has period  $T$ , wavelength  $\lambda$  and amplitude  $A$ . The wave is shown on a graph of displacement  $x$  against distance  $d$ .

Which graph is correctly labelled?



- 22 A vehicle emits sound of a constant frequency. A stationary observer hears the sound.

The vehicle moves directly towards the observer at constant speed. The observer hears sound of frequency  $f_0$ .

The vehicle then accelerates, still moving towards the observer, travels at a higher steady speed for a time and then decelerates until it stops.

What is the variation in the frequency of the sound that is heard by the observer?

- A** The observed frequency will fall, then remain steady then return to the frequency  $f_0$ .  
**B** The observed frequency will fall, then remain steady then rise to a higher frequency than  $f_0$ .  
**C** The observed frequency will rise, then remain steady then fall to a lower frequency than  $f_0$ .  
**D** The observed frequency will rise, then remain steady then return to the frequency  $f_0$ .
- 23 A car travelling in a straight line at a speed of  $30 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  passes near a stationary observer while sounding its horn. The frequency of sound emitted by the horn is 400 Hz.

The speed of sound in air is  $336 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

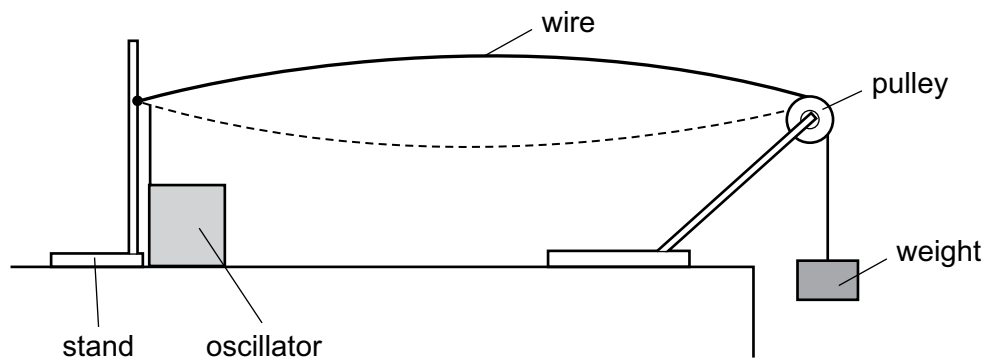
What is the change in the frequency of the sound heard by the observer as the car passes?

- A** 39 Hz      **B** 66 Hz      **C** 72 Hz      **D** 78 Hz

24 Which list shows electromagnetic waves in order of increasing frequency?

- A radio waves → gamma-rays → ultraviolet → infrared
- B radio waves → infrared → ultraviolet → gamma-rays
- C ultraviolet → gamma-rays → radio waves → infrared
- D ultraviolet → infrared → radio waves → gamma-rays

25 The diagram shows a steel wire fixed at one end. The other end is attached to a weight hanging over a pulley.



An oscillator is attached to the wire near the fixed end. A stationary wave with one loop is produced. The frequency of the oscillator is  $f$ .

Which frequency of the oscillator produces a stationary wave with two loops?

- A  $\frac{f}{4}$
- B  $\frac{f}{2}$
- C  $2f$
- D  $4f$

26 Which statement gives a condition that enables diffraction to occur?

- A A source of waves moves towards a stationary observer.
- B A wave is partially blocked by an obstacle.
- C Two coherent waves are superposed.
- D Two waves are travelling through the same part of a medium in opposite directions.

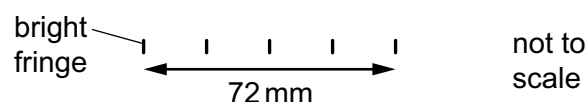
27 A parallel beam of light of wavelength 600 nm is incident normally on a diffraction grating. The grating has 300 lines per millimetre.

What is the total number of intensity maxima from the grating?

- A 1
- B 3
- C 11
- D 13

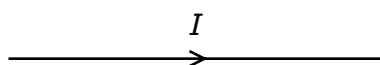
- 28 A pattern of interference fringes is produced using a red laser, a double slit and a screen. The screen is 3.5 m from the double slit. The light from the laser has a wavelength of 640 nm.

The pattern of fringes is shown.



What is the separation of the slits?

- A  $1.2 \times 10^{-4}$  m    B  $1.6 \times 10^{-4}$  m    C  $3.1 \times 10^{-5}$  m    D  $3.3 \times 10^{-9}$  m
- 29 The diagram shows the symbol for a wire carrying a current  $I$ .



What does this current represent?

- A the charge flowing past a point in the wire per unit time  
 B the number of electrons flowing past a point in the wire per unit time  
 C the number of positive nuclei flowing past a point in the wire per unit time  
 D the number of protons flowing past a point in the wire per unit time
- 30 An electric current  $I$  is given by the formula  $I = Anvq$ .

What do each of the symbols represent for an electric current in a metal wire?

	$A$	$n$	$v$	$q$
<b>A</b>	area of cross-section	number of free electrons	voltage	charge of each nucleus
<b>B</b>	area of cross-section	number of free electrons per unit volume	average drift speed of free electrons	charge of each electron
<b>C</b>	current	number of free electrons	average drift speed of free electrons	charge of each nucleus
<b>D</b>	current	number of free electrons per unit volume	voltage	charge of each electron

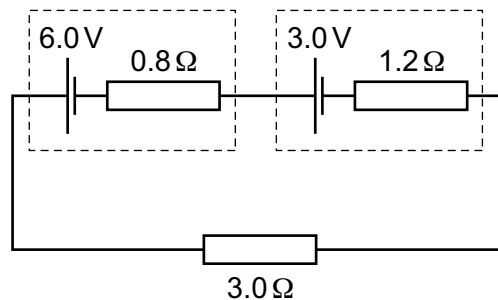
- 31 Which values of current and resistance will produce a rate of energy transfer of  $16 \text{ J s}^{-1}$ ?

	current/A	resistance/ $\Omega$
<b>A</b>	1	4
<b>B</b>	2	2
<b>C</b>	2	8
<b>D</b>	4	1

- 32 A coil contains  $N$  turns of insulated copper wire wound on to a cylinder of diameter  $D$ . The copper wire has diameter  $d$ . The resistivity of copper is  $\rho$ . Diameter  $D$  is much greater than diameter  $d$ .

What is the total resistance between the two ends of the coil of copper wire?

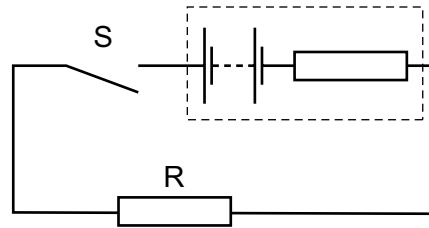
- A**  $\frac{4N\rho D}{d^2}$       **B**  $\frac{4N\rho d}{D^2}$       **C**  $\frac{8N\rho D}{d^2}$       **D**  $\frac{8N\rho d}{D^2}$
- 33 Two cells are connected to a load resistor of resistance  $3.0 \Omega$ . The electromotive force (e.m.f.) and the internal resistance of each of the cells are shown.



What is the current in the load resistor?

- A** 0.60A      **B** 1.2A      **C** 1.8A      **D** 3.0A

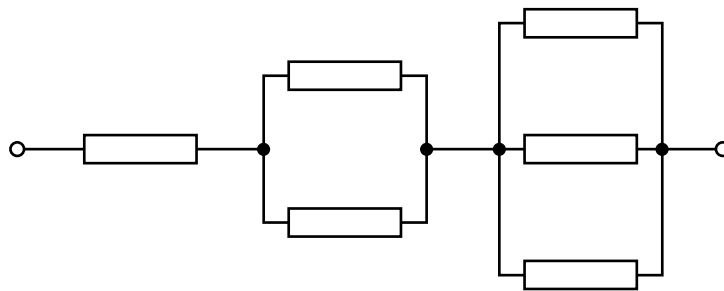
34 The diagram shows a simple circuit.



Which statement is correct?

- A When switch S is closed, the e.m.f. of the battery falls because work is done against the internal resistance of the battery.
- B When switch S is closed, the e.m.f. of the battery falls because work is done against the resistance of R.
- C When switch S is closed, the potential difference across the battery falls because work is done against the internal resistance of the battery.
- D When switch S is closed, the potential difference across the battery falls because work is done against the resistance of R.

35 Six resistors, each of resistance  $R$ , are connected as shown.



The combined resistance is  $66\text{ k}\Omega$ .

What is the value of  $R$ ?

- A  $11\text{ k}\Omega$
- B  $18\text{ k}\Omega$
- C  $22\text{ k}\Omega$
- D  $36\text{ k}\Omega$

36 A cell has a constant electromotive force and a constant internal resistance.

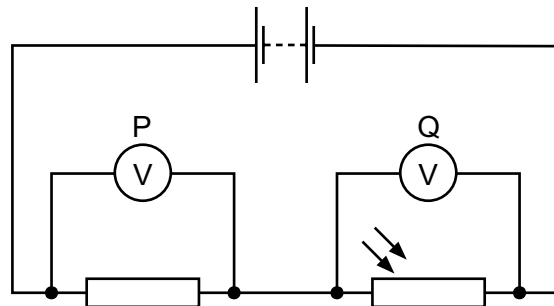
A thermistor is connected between the terminals of the cell.

The temperature of the thermistor is increased.

Which statement about the change of the cell's terminal potential difference (p.d.) is correct?

- A The terminal p.d. is decreased because more work is done moving unit charge through the internal resistance of the cell.
- B The terminal p.d. is decreased because the current in the thermistor is decreased.
- C The terminal p.d. is increased because more work is done moving unit charge through the thermistor.
- D The terminal p.d. is increased because the current in the thermistor is increased.

37 A battery with negligible internal resistance is connected in series with a resistor and a light-dependent resistor (LDR) as shown.



The light intensity on the LDR is decreased.

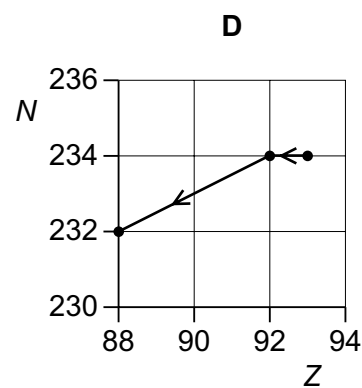
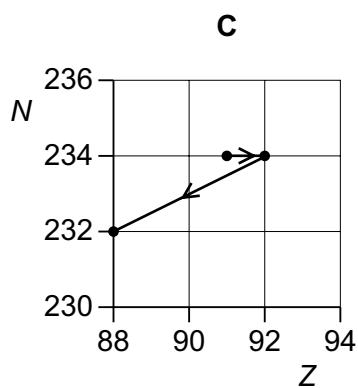
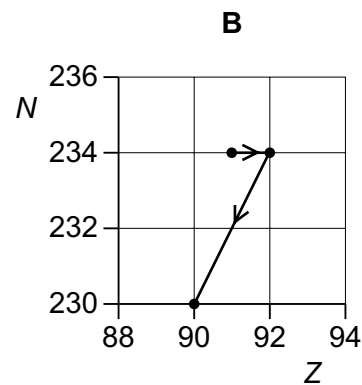
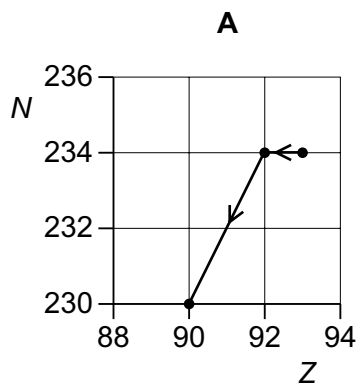
How do the readings of the voltmeters change?

	reading on voltmeter P	reading on voltmeter Q
<b>A</b>	decreases	decreases
<b>B</b>	decreases	increases
<b>C</b>	increases	decreases
<b>D</b>	increases	increases



- 38 A radioactive nucleus is formed by  $\beta^-$  decay. This nucleus then decays by  $\alpha$ -emission.

Which graph of nucleon number  $N$  plotted against proton number  $Z$  shows the  $\beta^-$  decay followed by the  $\alpha$ -emission?



- 39 What are the structures of the proton and of the neutron in terms of quarks?

	proton		neutron	
	up quark	down quark	up quark	down quark
<b>A</b>	1	1	2	2
<b>B</b>	1	2	2	1
<b>C</b>	2	1	1	2
<b>D</b>	2	2	1	1

- 40 What is the charge of a top antiquark?

- A**  $-\frac{2}{3}$       **B**  $-\frac{1}{3}$       **C**  $+\frac{1}{3}$       **D**  $+\frac{2}{3}$

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