

A level Physics B

H557/01 Fundamentals of physics

Question Set 2 (Module 4 MCQs)

1 Which pair contains one vector and one scalar quantity?

- A velocity acceleration
- B displacement force
- C kinetic energy work done
- D momentum distance

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2 Electrons accelerated through a potential difference V pass through a thin layer of graphite. The beam forms a diffraction pattern of rings on a fluorescent screen. When V is made larger the diameter of the rings get smaller and they also become brighter.

Which **one** of the following statements about this experiment is correct?

- A The power delivered to the fluorescent screen decreases as V increases.
- B The diameter of the diffraction rings is independent of the interatomic spacings in graphite.
- C The wavelength of the electrons decreases as their kinetic energy increases.
- D The momentum of the electrons decreases as V increases.

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3 Which **one** of the following statements about photons is correct?

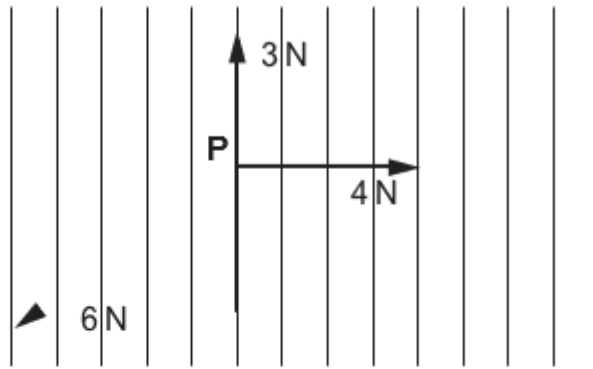
The probability of arrival of a photon at a position

- A is proportional to the amplitude of the waves arriving at that position.
- B is greater if the phasor amplitudes for paths from the source to that position “curl up” when they are added.
- C is proportional to the (resultant phasor amplitude)² for all photon paths from the source to that position.
- D is proportional to the phasor amplitude for the photon path straight from the source to that position.

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The three forces in this vector diagram act in one plane on an object **P**.



What is the magnitude and direction of the resultant?

- A 1 N ↙
- B 1 N ↘
- C 1 N →
- D 11 N ↙

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A car travelling at 10 m s^{-1} is brought to rest in a braking distance of 10 m.

Using the same average braking force, in what distance can the car be brought to rest from a speed of 40 m s^{-1} ?

- A 20 m
- B 40 m
- C 80 m
- D 160 m

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6 The drag force F of the air on a train is

$$F \approx 10v^2$$

where F is in newtons and the speed v is in ms^{-1} .

What **power** must be delivered by the engine to keep the train travelling at a constant 50ms^{-1} ?

- A 25kW
- B 125kW
- C 1.25MW
- D 2.5MW

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7 Which of the following statements about the α -particle and the β -particle is correct?

- A If both have the same kinetic energy, the speed of the β -particle is less than that of the α -particle.
- B If both have the same momentum, the de Broglie wavelength of the α -particle must be the same as that of the β -particle.
- C If both have the same momentum, the kinetic energy of the α -particle is greater than that of the β -particle.
- D The rest energies of both the α -particle and the β -particle are the same.

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8 Which expression gives a quantity that can be expressed in joules?

- A Fv where F is the force causing a body to move and v is its speed
- B I^2R where I is the current flowing through a resistance of value R
- C mv where m is the mass of a body moving with velocity v
- D VIt where V is the potential difference across a conductor and I is the current in it for time t .

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- 9 A boat travels eastwards with a velocity of 12 m s^{-1} .
A current from the south pushes the boat northwards at a velocity of 5 m s^{-1} .

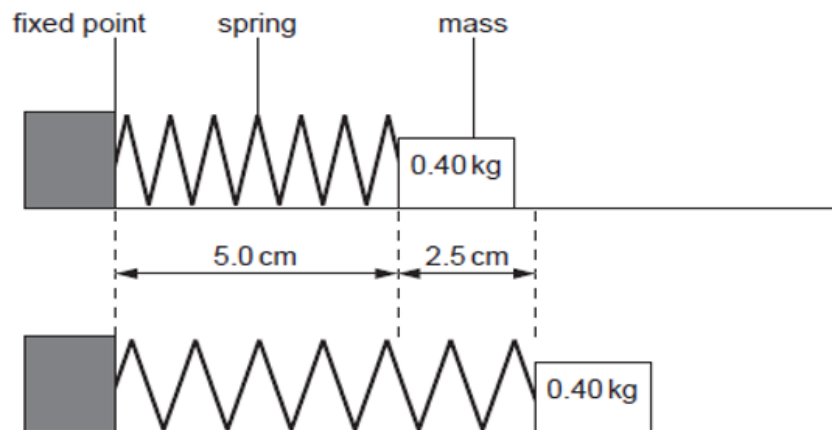


What is the magnitude of the resultant velocity of the boat?

- A 7 m s^{-1}
- B 13 m s^{-1}
- C 17 m s^{-1}
- D 169 m s^{-1}

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- 10 The spring in this diagram has a spring constant of 20 N m^{-1} .
The mass is pulled away from the fixed point. The spring stretches by 2.5 cm .
The mass is then released.



What is the maximum speed reached by the mass?

- A 0.18 m s^{-1}
- B 0.53 m s^{-1}
- C 1.25 m s^{-1}
- D 3.75 m s^{-1}

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An electron is travelling at a speed of $3.1 \times 10^5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$.

What is its kinetic energy in electronvolts?

- A $4.4 \times 10^{-20} \text{ eV}$
- B $8.8 \times 10^{-7} \text{ eV}$
- C 0.27 eV
- D 500 eV

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A ball is kicked from horizontal ground at a velocity of 15 m s^{-1} at an angle of 20° to the horizontal.

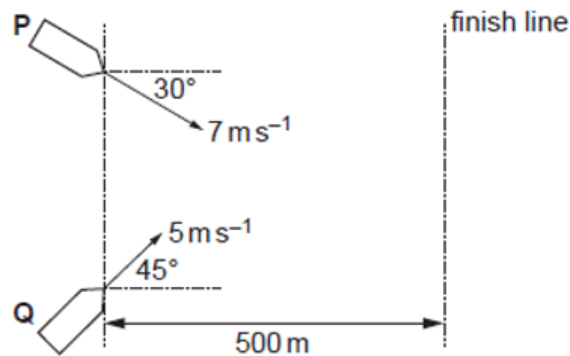
How long will the ball remain in the air before hitting the ground?
Ignore any effects of air resistance.

- A 0.5 s
- B 1.0 s
- C 1.4 s
- D 2.9 s

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The diagram shows two boats **P** and **Q** sailing at constant velocity towards the finish line.



Which statement is correct?

- A Boat **P** wins by 1.4 s.
- B Boat **Q** wins by 29 s.
- C Boat **P** wins by 59 s.
- D Boat **Q** wins by 198 s.

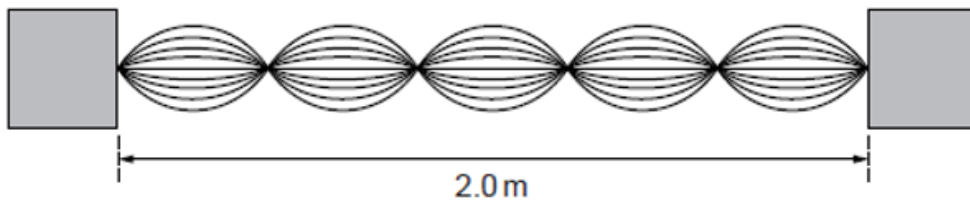
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14 Which quantity is followed by a reasonable estimate of its order of magnitude?

- A momentum of a bee in flight 10^0 kg m s^{-1}
- B speed of an air molecule at room temperature 10^6 m s^{-1}
- C wavelength of red light 10^{-6} m
- D wavelength of X-rays 10^{-15} m

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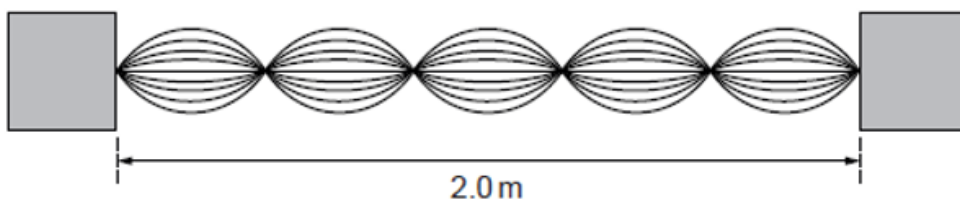


Which description of this wave is correct?

- A The wave is longitudinal, has a wavelength of 40 cm and is stationary.
- B The wave is transverse, has a wavelength of 40 cm and is stationary.
- C The wave is transverse, has a wavelength of 80 cm and is progressive.
- D The wave is transverse, has a wavelength of 80 cm and is stationary.

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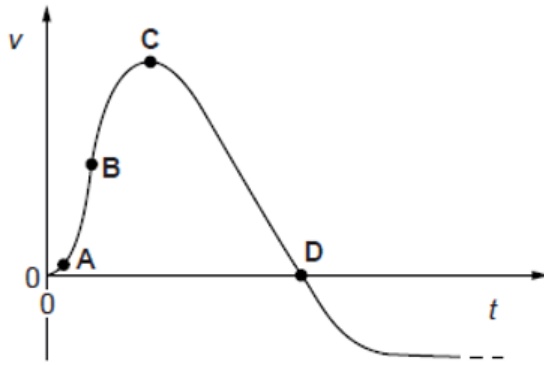
The frequency of the wave shown in the diagram is 3.0 Hz.

What is the wave speed on the string?

- A 1.2 m s^{-1}
- B 2.4 m s^{-1}
- C 3.8 m s^{-1}
- D 7.5 m s^{-1}

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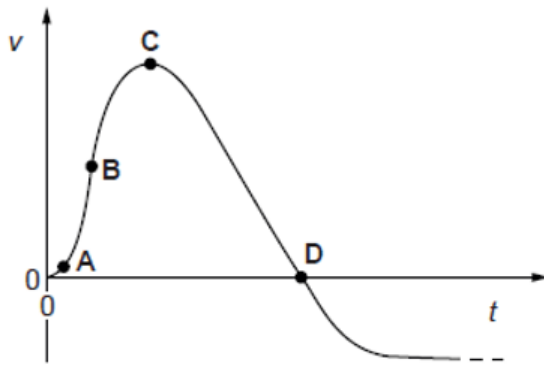


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At which point labelled on the graph does the rocket have the greatest acceleration?

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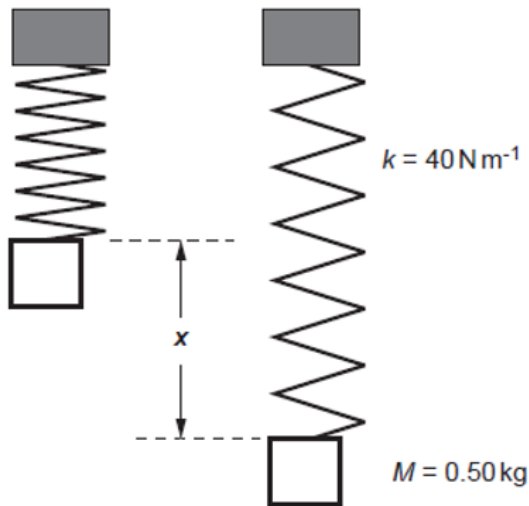
At which point labelled on the graph does the rocket have the greatest altitude?

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The spring in this diagram has a spring constant k of 40 N m^{-1} .
The mass M of 0.50 kg is attached to the end of the suspended spring and then dropped under gravity.

acceleration due to gravity $g = 10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$



What is the maximum extension x of the spring in metres when the mass first comes to rest?

(Use ideas about energy conservation.)

- A $\frac{1}{8}$
- B $\frac{1}{4}$
- C $\frac{1}{2}$
- D 1

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A beam of α -particles collides with a lead sheet and is absorbed.
Each α -particle in the beam has a mass of $7 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ and a speed of $1 \times 10^7 \text{ m s}^{-1}$.
 3×10^3 α -particles per second collide with an area of $1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$ of lead.

What is the best estimate of the average pressure exerted on the lead by the α -particles?

- A $2 \times 10^{-20} \text{ Pa}$
- B $2 \times 10^{-16} \text{ Pa}$
- C $2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ Pa}$
- D $2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ Pa}$

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