

## MOSFET ROUND 3

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### TOSS-UP

1) Physics – *Short Answer* [3] In a nuclear reactor filled with water, electrons pass through the water at a speed greater than the phase velocity of light, emitting a blue glow. What is the term for this type of radiation?

ANSWER: CHERENKOV RADIATION [Modern, CT]

### BONUS

1) Physics – *Short Answer* [3] A car starts from rest and accelerates uniformly for 3 seconds to a final velocity of 50 meters per second. How far did the car travel in these 3 seconds?

ANSWER: 75 METERS [Mech, SS]



### TOSS-UP

2) Biology – *Multiple Choice* [3] In general, which of the following is the ratio of the number of carbon to hydrogen to oxygen atoms in a monosaccharide?

- W) 1 to 1 to 1
- X) 1 to 2 to 2
- Y) 2 to 1 to 2
- Z) 1 to 2 to 1

ANSWER: Z) 1 TO 2 TO 1 [RSS]

### BONUS

2) Biology – *Short Answer* [3] Identify all of the following three quantities of a reaction that an enzyme changes: 1) Rate of reaction; 2) Activation energy; 3) pH.

ANSWER: 1 AND 2 (ACCEPT: RATE OF REACTION AND ACTIVATION ENERGY)  
[Proteins, DJ]

**TOSS-UP**

3) Earth and Space – *Multiple Choice* [3] Which of the following rocks is mafic?

- W) Rhyolite
- X) Granite
- Y) Andesite
- Z) Basalt

ANSWER: Z) BASALT [Petrology, JS]

**BONUS**

3) Earth and Space – *Short Answer* [3] Order the following three planets by increasing average apparent brightness, as observed from Earth: 1) Jupiter; 2) Mars; 3) Venus.

ANSWER: 2, 1, 3 (ACCEPT: MARS, JUPITER, VENUS) [Solar System, JS]

**TOSS-UP**

4) Math – *Short Answer* [3] Identify all of the following three shapes that are considered parallelograms: 1) Square; 2) Rectangle; 3) Trapezoid.

ANSWER: 1 AND 2 (ACCEPT: SQUARE AND RECTANGLE) [Geometry, GW]

**BONUS**

4) Math – *Short Answer* [3] What is the discriminant of the quadratic  $x^2 + 4x + 5$ ?

ANSWER: -4 [Algebra, SS]

## **TOSS-UP**

5) Chemistry – *Multiple Choice* [3] Which of the following is NOT an example of a binary ionic compound?

- W) NaF
- X) MgCl<sub>2</sub>
- Y) H<sub>2</sub>O
- Z) CsF

ANSWER: Y) H<sub>2</sub>O [Ionic, DJ]

## **BONUS**

5) Chemistry – *Short Answer* [3] If the half-life of a sample of radioactive carbon-14 is 5,700 years, then how many grams of a 200 gram sample of carbon-14 will remain after 11,400 years?

ANSWER: 50 [Nuclear Chem, ND]



## **TOSS-UP**

6) Energy – *Short Answer* [3] Researchers at UW Madison are studying the effects of ion concentrations on the opening of GLUT-4 membrane protein. What 6 carbon sugar does GLUT-4 transport upon activation by insulin?

ANSWER: GLUCOSE (ACCEPT: C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>) [Biochem, DJ]

## **BONUS**

6) Energy – *Short Answer* [3] Researchers at UIUC are studying sediments in river systems. What is the name of the term where sediments are pressed down under pressure, forming sedimentary rocks?

ANSWER: LITHIFICATION (ACCEPT: COMPACTION)

## **TOSS-UP**

7) Physics – *Short Answer* [3] In thermodynamics, what law improves upon the ideal gas law by using the parameters a and b to take into account intermolecular forces and the particle size of the gas molecules themselves?

ANSWER: VAN DER WAALS EQUATION (ACCEPT: DIETERICI EQUATION) [Thermo, GW]

## **BONUS**

7) Physics – *Short Answer* [3] A 4-kilogram ball traveling at 2 meters per second collides head-on with a 7-kilogram ball, initially at rest. After the collision, the 4-kilogram ball is stationary. What is the final speed of the 7-kilogram ball?

ANSWER: 8/7 METERS PER SECOND [Mech, GW]



## **TOSS-UP**

8) Biology – *Multiple Choice* [3] Which of the following molecules is NOT classified as a lipid?

- W) Triglyceride
- X) Cholesterol
- Y) Fatty acid
- Z) Cellulose

ANSWER: Z) CELLULOSE [Lipids, DJ]

## **BONUS**

8) Biology – *Short Answer* [3] Guard cells regulate the opening and closing of what microscopic pores in a plant leaf, which function in the exchange of gases such as carbon dioxide and oxygen?

ANSWER: STOMATA [RSS, LEAVES]

## **TOSS-UP**

9) Earth and Space – *Short Answer* [3] Rank the following three minerals in terms of increasing hardness according to the Mohs hardness scale: 1) Quartz; 2) Corundum; 3) Fluorite.

ANSWER: 3, 1, 2 (ACCEPT: FLUORITE, QUARTZ, CORUNDUM) [Mineralogy, BZ]

## **BONUS**

9) Earth and Space – *Short Answer* [3] Identify all of the following four precipitation types that usually reach the ground as a solid: 1) Freezing Rain; 2) Hail; 3) Sleet; 4) Snow

ANSWER: 2, 3, AND, 4 (ACCEPT: HAIL, SLEET, AND SNOW) [Meteorology, JS]



## **TOSS-UP**

10) Math – *Multiple Choice* [3] Which of the following functions passes through the origin?

- W)  $x^2 - 3$
- X)  $\cos(x)$
- Y)  $-x^5$
- Z) e to the power of x

ANSWER: Y)  $-x^5$  [Algebra, GW]

## **BONUS**

10) Math – *Short Answer* [3] What is the sum of the positive integer divisors of 14?

ANSWER: 24 [Number Theory, SS]

## **TOSS-UP**

11) Chemistry – *Short Answer* [3] What is the oxidation state of the oxygen atom in a water molecule?

ANSWER: -2 [Oxidation state, DJ]

## **BONUS**

11) Chemistry – *Short Answer* [3] Which element has the greatest first ionization energy?

ANSWER: HELIUM [Periodic Trends, ND]



## **TOSS-UP**

12) Energy – *Short Answer* [3] Researchers at the Hagelin-Weaver lab at UF are using catalysts and organic molecules to oxidize water into oxygen. What is the term for a catalyst that is in a different state of matter as its substrate?

ANSWER: HETEROGENEOUS CATALYST (ACCEPT: HETEROGENEOUS) [BZ]

## **BONUS**

12) Energy – *Multiple Choice* [3] Researchers at the Physics Education Research group at UIUC are developing a radio-frequency voting system. Which of the following wavelengths are considered radio waves?

- W) 1 to 10 nanometers
- X) 1 to 10 micrometers
- Y) 1 to 10 millimeters
- Z) 1 to 10 meters

ANSWER: Z) 1 TO 10 METERS [E&M, GW]

**TOSS-UP**

13) Physics – *Multiple Choice* [3] Which of the following is a unit of energy?

- W) Calorie
- X) Watt
- Y) Kilogram
- Z) Kelvin

ANSWER: W) CALORIE [Misc, GW]

**BONUS**

13) Physics – *Short Answer* [3] A 5-kilogram hollow sphere has a radius of 6 meters. What is the moment of inertia of the sphere about an axis that passes through its center?

ANSWER: 120 KILOGRAM-METERS SQUARED [Mech, GW]

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**TOSS-UP**

14) Biology – *Short Answer* [3] Tracheids and vessel elements are the conducting cells of what vascular plant tissue?

ANSWER: XYLEM [BZ, Plant tissues]

**BONUS**

14) Biology – *Short Answer* [3] The Islets of Langerhans, which secrete insulin and glucagon, are found in what organ?

ANSWER: PANCREAS [Endocrinology, DJ]

**TOSS-UP**

15) Earth and Space – *Short Answer* [3] Order the following four spectral classes from lowest to highest surface temperature: 1) B; 2) G; 3) K; 4) O

ANSWER: 3, 2, 1, 4 (ACCEPT: K, G, B, O) [Stellar Astronomy, JS]

**BONUS**

15) Earth and Space – *Short Answer* [3] What broad term is used to describe unlayered sediment deposits laid down by glacial activity?

ANSWER: TILL [Glaciology, JS]

**TOSS-UP**

16) Math – *Short Answer* [3] Identify all of the following quadrants that the graph of  $y = 3x - 2$  passes through: 1) 1st; 2) 2nd; 3) 3rd; 4) 4th.

ANSWER: 1, 3, 4 (ACCEPT: 1st, 3rd, 4th) [Algebra, SS]

**BONUS**

16) Math – *Short Answer* [3] What is the distance between the points  $(0, 3)$  and  $(6, -2)$ ?

ANSWER: SQUARE ROOT OF 61 [Algebra, SS]

## **TOSS-UP**

17) Chemistry – *Short Answer* [3] What is the value of the angular momentum quantum number,  $\ell$ , of an electron in the 3p orbital?

ANSWER: 1 [Orbitals, GW]

## **BONUS**

17) Chemistry – *Multiple Choice* [3] Which of the following ionic compounds has the greatest lattice energy?

- W) NaCl
- X) MgO
- Y) KBr
- Z) CsI

ANSWER: X) MgO [Lattice Energy, DJ]

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## **TOSS-UP**

18) Energy – *Short Answer* [3] Researchers at UW Madison are trying to improve low light cameras by controlling the rate in which photons travel into the camera. In electron volts, what is the rest mass of a photon?

ANSWER: 0 [idk, DJ]

## **BONUS**

18) Energy – *Short Answer* [3] Researchers in the Solitis lab at the University of Florida are studying the various divisions of the *Lippia alba* plant based on their number of chromosomes. What is the term given to the phenomenon often exhibited in plants, characterized by organisms having more than two sets of chromosomes?

ANSWER: POLYPLOIDY [BZ]

### **TOSS-UP**

19) Physics – *Multiple Choice* [3] Which of the following quantities is a scalar?

- W) Work
- X) Displacement
- Y) Velocity
- Z) Acceleration

ANSWER: W) WORK [Mech, GW]

### **BONUS**

19) Physics – *Short Answer* [3] What is the name for the type of thermodynamic process where the system can be returned to its original state?

ANSWER: REVERSIBLE PROCESS (ACCEPT: REVERSIBLE) [Thermo, GW]



### **TOSS-UP**

20) Biology – *Short Answer* [3] CD4 and CD8 receptors commonly can be used to distinguish between the helper and cytotoxic types of what lymphocytes that mature in the thymus?

ANSWER: T CELLS [Immune, DJ]

### **BONUS**

20) Biology – *Short Answer* [3] What is the name of the general technique that determines the order of nucleic acids on a strand of DNA?

ANSWER: SEQUENCING (ACCEPT: DNA SEQUENCING) [Biotechnology, GW]

### **TOSS-UP**

21) Earth and Space – *Multiple Choice* [3] Cinnabar is the most common source ore for which of the following elements?

- W) Lead
- X) Copper
- Y) Mercury
- Z) Tin

ANSWER: Y) MERCURY [Mineralogy, BZ]

### **BONUS**

21) Earth and Space – *Short Answer* [3] What is the name given to the blackbody radiation with a temperature of approximately 3 kelvin that originated from the Big Bang?

ANSWER: COSMIC MICROWAVE BACKGROUND (ACCEPT: CMB; CMBR)  
[Cosmology, BZ]

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### **TOSS-UP**

22) Math – *Short Answer* [3] How many two-digit numbers have two distinct digits?

ANSWER: 81 [Combo, GW]

### **BONUS**

22) Math – *Multiple Choice* [3] Which of the following equations could be the equation of a circle with a center at the point  $(2, -3)$ ?

- W)  $x^2 + 4x + y^2 + 6y = 22$
- X)  $x^2 + 4x + y^2 - 6y = 5$
- Y)  $x^2 - 4x + y^2 + 6y = 17$
- Z)  $x^2 - 4x + y^2 - 6y = 33$

ANSWER: Y)  $x^2 - 4x + y^2 + 6y = 17$  [Algebra, GW]

### **TOSS-UP**

23) Chemistry – *Short Answer* [3] Identify all of the following three compounds that are considered non-polar: 1) O<sub>2</sub>; 2) H<sub>2</sub>O; 3) CCl<sub>4</sub>

ANSWER: 1 AND 3 (ACCEPT: O<sub>2</sub> AND CCl<sub>4</sub>) [IMF, DJ]

### **BONUS**

23) Chemistry – *Short Answer* [3] What is the highest occupied atomic orbital in the ground-state electron configuration of lithium?

ANSWER: 2s (DO NOT ACCEPT: s) [Orbitals, DJ]