AP Physics Jeopardy Q&A By Seth Baum August 4, 2007

Note: Question/answers in italics are Daily Doubles. They are on the same topic as the category they are found in.

Game 1

Newtonian Mechanics

- 1) The equation defining gravitational potential energy
 - a. What is $\Delta U_g = mgh$
- 2) The SI unit that tension is measured in
 - a. What is the Newton
- 3) Equation describing the force of gravity between two objects
 - a. What is $F_g = -G m_1 m_2 / r^2$
- 4) The two definitions of impulse
 - a. What are $F\Delta t$ and Δp
- 5) The equation for the period of a pendulum
 - a. What is $T_p = 2$ pi sqrt(1/g)

Fluids & Thermal

- 1) The ideal gas law in terms of the number of moles of a substance
 - a. What is PV = nRT
- 2) The definition of an isobaric process
 - a. What is a process carried out at constant pressure
- 3) The equation for linear thermal expansion
 - a. What is $\Delta l = \alpha l_0 \Delta T$
- 4) The effect on sea level if the (floating) Arctic ice melts
 - a. What is no change
- 5) The equation for the efficiency of a Carnot engine
 - a. What is $e_c = (T_h T_C)/T_H$

Waves, Optics, Atomic, & Nuclear

- 1) The relationship between wave speed, frequency, and wavelength
 - a. What is $v = f \lambda$
- 2) The relationship between angle of incidence and angle of refraction
 - a. What is $n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$
- 3) The mass of a photon
 - a. What is zero
- 4) The charge of an alpha particle
 - a. What is 2+

- 5) The initial number of radioactive particles if 1,000 remain after 3 half lives
 - a. What is 8,000

Electricity & Magnetism

- 1) The relationship between voltage, current, and resistance
 - a. What is V = I R
- 2) An explanation of what current is
 - a. What is the flow of electric charge
- 3) The relationship between total capacitance and capacitors in parallel
 - a. What is $C_p = \text{sum of all } C_i$
- 4) The SI unit for electromotive force
 - a. What is the volt
- 5) The equation defining magnetic flux
 - a. What is $\varphi_m = B A \cos \theta$

Special Surprise

- 1) What vectors are (two answers)
 - a. What is (1) disance + direction (2) your friends
- 2) The type of problem in which energy is not conserved
 - a. What is nuclear physics (nuclear radiation, fission, fusion)
- 3) An explanation of the right hand rule for linear current
 - a. What is thumb = force, hand/index finger = current/velocity, fingers/middle finger = magnetic field
- 4) The speed of a ball dropped from rest after 10 seconds
 - a. What is 98 m/s
- 5) An explanation of the critical angle
 - a. What is the angle beyond which total internal reflection occurs

Game 2

Newtonian Mechanics

- 1) Equation describing the force on a spring
 - a. What is F = -kx
- 2) The difference between weight and mass
 - a. What is acceleration due to gravity
- 3) The SI unit that torque is measured in
 - a. What is the Newton-Meter
- 4) The final horizontal acceleration of a baseball thrown at Fenway Park at a 45 degree angle at 10 meters per second.
 - a. What is zero
- 5) The relationship between normal force and weight
 - a. What is the sine of the angle between the slope and the horizontal

Fluids & Thermal

- 1) The equation defining pressure
 - a. What is force per unit area
- 2) A technique for determining the density of a solid
 - a. Whats is mass/volume, finding mass with a mass balance and volume with displacement
- 3) The equation for buoyant force
 - a. What is $F_{buov} = \rho V g$
- 4) The SI units of heat
 - a. What is the Joule
- 5) The effect an open refrigerator has on room temperature
 - a. What is increasing it

Waves, Optics, Atomic, & Nuclear

- 6) The definition of refractive index
 - a. What is the c / v
- 7) 3 pi radians expressed in degrees
 - a. What is 540 degrees
- 8) The relationship between focal length and radius of curvature
 - a. What is R = 2f
- 9) The wavelength of an electron
 - a. What is $\lambda = h / p$
- 10) The equation for magnification given image and object locations
 - a. What is $M = -s_i / s_o$

Electricity & Magnetism

- 1) The relationship between total resistance and resistors in series
 - a. What is $R_s = \text{sum of all } R_i$
- 2) The total resistance of this network of resistors (see picture)
 - a. 1.5Ω
- 3) The SI unit for impedance
 - a. What is the ohm
- 4) An equation defining electric power
 - a. What is P = I V
- 5) The equation for force on a moving charge in a magnetic field
 - a. What is $F_B = q v B \sin \theta$

Special Surprise

- 6) The definition of an adiabatic process
 - b. What is a process carried out at constant heat (no heat transfer)
- 7) The equation for change in velocity at constant acceleration over a period of time

- b. $\Delta v = a t$
- 8) The magnitude of the electric field halfway between two equally charge particles
 - a. What is zero
- 9) The difference between a sine wave and a cosine wave in radians
 - a. What is pi/2
- 10) The two equations needed to find the object's wavelength just before hitting the ground, given the object's mass and the height of the cliff it's dropped from rest off of
 - a. What are $(v_f)^2 = 2a\Delta t$ and $\lambda = h/mv$

Extra Questions

- 1) Definition of average power
 - a. What is $P = W/\Delta t$
- 2) The two types of energy of an oscilating spring
 - c. What are kinetic and elastic potential
- 3) The SI unit that translational kinetic energy is measured in
 - a. What is the Joule
- 4) The definition of an elastic collision
 - a. What is a collision kinetic energy is conserved
- 5) The type of energy generated by applied frictional force
 - a. What is heat
- 6) Equation describing the gravitational potential energy between two objects
 - d. What is $U_g = -G m_1 m_2 / r$
- 7) The SI unit that the spring constant is measured in
 - e. What is Newtons per Meter or Kilograms per Second Squared
- 8) The SI unit that acceleration is measured in
 - f. What is Meters per Second Squared
- 9) The SI unit that momentum is measured in
 - g. What is Newton-Seconds
- 10) If a planet's mass doubles, the mass of a person on the surface changes by this factor
 - h. What is one (no change in mass)
- 11) The acceleration of a ball dropped from rest after 10 seconds
 - a. What is 9.8 m/s^2
- 12) The effect of an incompressible liquid as the cross-sectional area of the pipe it's travelling through shrinks.
 - a. What is it speeds up
- 13) The ideal gas law in terms of the number of molecules of a substance
 - a. What is $P V = N k_B T$
- 14) The definition of an isothermal process
 - a. What is a process carried out at constant temperature
- 15) The equation for rate of heat conduction through a material
 - a. What is $H = k A \Delta T / L$
- 16) Continuity equation, constant density
 - a. What is $A_1 v_1 = A_2 v_2$
- 17) The equation for object and image distance and focal length

- a. What is $1/s_i + 1/s_o = 1/f$
- 18) The speed of light in glass compared to the speed of light in air
 - a. What is slower
- 19) 270 degrees expressed in radians
 - a. What is 3 pi / 2
- 20) The equation for magnification given image and object heights
 - a. What is $M = h_i / h_o$
- 21) The energy of a photon
 - a. What is E = hf or E = pc
- 22) The harmonic with wavelength three times longer than the third harmonic
 - a. What is the first (fundamental) harmonic
- 23) An example of a longitudinal wave
 - a. What is sound
- 24) The material in which sound travels the slowest
 - a. What is a vacuum
- 25) The mass of an electron
 - a. What is $9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
- 26) The change in wavelength after doubling the intensity of a light source
 - a. What is zero
- 27) The initial number of radioactive particles if 1,000 remain after 3 half lives
 - a. What is 8,000
- 28) In a 2-slit diffraction experiment, the wave amplitude at the center of the screen
 - a. What is zero
- 29) An explanation of what mass defect is
 - a. What is the difference in mass between nucleons before and after nucleus fission
- 30) The equation giving change in energy upon nuclear fusion
 - a. What is $\Delta E = -\Delta m c^2$
- 31) An explanation of what the work function is
 - a. What is the amount of energy needed to pull an electron away from a nucleus it orbits
- 32) The relationship between voltage, current, and impedance
 - b. What is V = I Z
- 33) The relationship between total capacitance and capacitors in series
 - a. What is 1/R s = sum of all $1/C_i$
- 34) An explanation of what a solenoid is
 - a. What is a metal coil
- 35) The relationship between total resistance and resistors in parallel
 - a. What is $1/R_p = \text{sum of all } 1/R_i$
- 36) If the length of a resistor doubles, its resistivity changes by this amount
 - a. What is zero (no change)
- 37) An explanation of what resistance is
 - a. What is an object's tendency to slow flowing electric charge by dissipating it into heat
- 38) The SI unit for resistance
 - a. What is ohm

- 39) The SI unit for power
 - a. What is the watt
- 40) The SI unit for capacitance
 - a. What is the farad
- 41) The direction of the electric field halfway between two oppositely charge particles a. What is towards the negatively charged particle