

SINGAPORE JUNIOR PHYSICS OLYMPIAD 2016
SPECIAL ROUND

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0900 – 1200

Time Allowed: Three hours

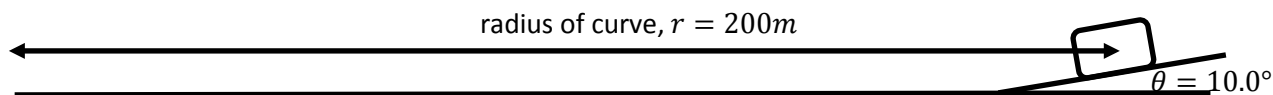
INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper contains **20** multiple choice questions, **5** structured questions and **13** printed pages.
2. Five of the multiple choice questions are embedded within the 5 structured questions.
3. For the structured questions (80 points):
 - You may use your own approximations and assumptions.
 - Answers which are more **complete** with clear and/or detailed **working** may be awarded bonus points.
 - Open-ended parts of the structured questions may be used as tie breakers, please answer in detail if you have time.
4. For the multiple choice questions (20 points):
 - Each of the questions or incomplete statements is followed by five suggested answers or completions. Select the one that is **best** in each case and then shade the corresponding bubble on the answer sheet.
 - **Only** the answer sheet will be marked. However, working for the MCQ questions **may** be marked as tie breakers.
 - Use **2B pencil** only.
5. Answer **all** questions. Points will **NOT** be deducted for wrong answers.
6. **Scientific calculators** are **allowed** in this test. Graphic calculators are **not** allowed.
7. All sheets of papers with answers and working should be carefully **labeled** with the **Question number** and placed in the envelope at the end of the competition.
8. Please fill in your **name**, **IC number** and **school** on the answer sheet **before the competition starts**.
9. A general information sheet is given in page 2. You may detach it **when the competition starts** for easy reference.

GENERAL INFORMATION SHEET

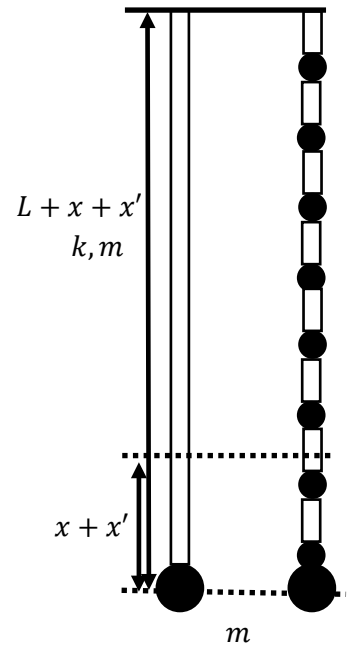
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| Acceleration due to gravity at Earth surface, | $g = 9.80 \text{ m s}^{-2} = \vec{g} $ |
| Radius of the Earth | $R_E = 6.371 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ |
| Universal gas constant, | $R = 8.31 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ |
| Vacuum permittivity, | $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2 \text{ N}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2}$ |
| Vacuum permeability, | $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ T m A}^{-1}$ |
| Atomic mass unit, | $u = 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ |
| Speed of light in vacuum, | $c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ |
| Charge of electron, | $e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ |
| Planck's constant, | $h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$ |
| Mass of electron, | $m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg} = 0.000549 u$ |
| Mass of proton, | $m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} = 1.007 u$ |
| Rest mass of alpha particle, | $m_\alpha = 4.003 u$ |
| Boltzmann constant, | $k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$ |
| Avogadro's number, | $N_A = 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ |
| Standard atmosphere pressure, | $P_0 = 1.01 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ |
| Density of water, | $\rho_w = 1000 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ |
| Specific heat (capacity) of water, | $c_w = 4.19 \times 10^3 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ |
| Latent heat of fusion for water, | $L_f = 3.34 \times 10^5 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$ |
| Stefan-Boltzmann constant, | $\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-4}$ |
| Sum of N terms in an arithmetic series, | $\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k = \frac{N(a_0 + a_{N-1})}{2}$ |
| Sum of N terms in a geometric series, | $\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} r^k = \frac{1-r^N}{1-r}$ |
| Approximation for square root, for small x | $\sqrt{1+x} \approx 1 + \frac{x}{2}$ |

1. A vehicle of mass 1200 kg makes a turn in a curve banked at 10.0° **without sliding**. The radius of the curve is 200 m. Assume that friction can be modelled by a **coefficient of friction** which is 0.0500 on an icy road, 0.350 on a rainy day and 0.700 on a dry sunny day and that the vehicle starts to **slide** out of its circular path when the maximum static friction is reached.



- (a) **Define** in words and **draw** a free body diagram of the vehicle for each of the 3 situations listed below, label the forces in the diagram.
- “Low speed limit”
 - “Ideal speed”
 - “High speed limit”
- (b) For the “high speed limit” situation, **derive** expressions for the
- total vertical forces, and
 - total horizontal force.
- (c) For the “high speed limit” situation on a sunny day, **calculate** the magnitudes of the
- total vertical forces, and
 - total horizontal force.
- (d) Calculate the speed **limits** for the vehicle for the icy road conditions.
- (e) MCQ1: How much faster can the vehicle go on a **sunny** day as compared to a **rainy** day (maximum speed on sunny day/maximum speed on a rainy day)?
- 1.3
 - 1.4
 - 1.5
 - 1.6
 - 1.7
- (f) **Discuss** the physics if the road was banked at different angles.

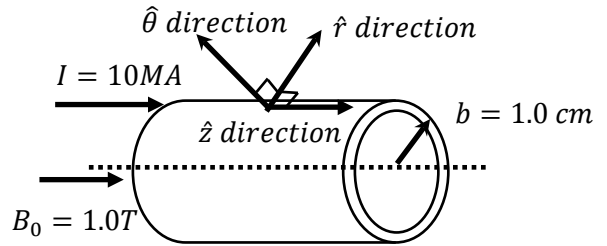
2. An ideal, initially **uniform** spring of mass m , unstretched length L and spring constant k stretches by an extension x when hung vertically. An **additional** point mass m is added to the bottom of the spring causing it to extend by a **further** x' .



- (a) Consider the spring as being made up of N smaller massless springs with masses at the end of the spring.
- Write** down an expression for the spring constant, k_N , of one of the N springs.
 - Explain** your answer.
- (b) **Derive** an **expression** for the extension of the whole spring mass system, $x + x'$.
- (c) What is the **ratio** of the extension of the bottom $1/3$ of the spring with mass $\frac{m}{3}$ kg to that of the top $1/3$ of the spring with mass $\frac{m}{3}$ kg ?
- (A) 0.17
 (B) 0.33
 (C) 0.41
 (D) 0.59
 (E) 0.64
- (d) **Calculate** the extension of the middle $1/3$ of the spring.
- (e) **Discuss** the physics of the above vertically hung spring mass system when the point mass at the bottom is pulled down a little and suddenly let go.

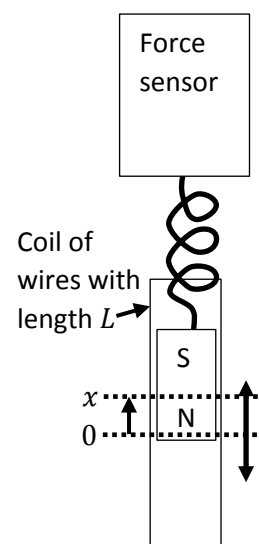
3. As a model for a ping-pong ball made to bounce vertically from a paddle, consider a surface moving up and down sinusoidally with an **amplitude** of $A = 0.05$ m and **frequency** of $f = 2$ Hz. A light ball, constrained to move only in the vertical direction, **bounces to the same height** h above the location of the bounce/collision **each and every time**. Assume air resistance is negligible. When the ball was dropped on the motionless paddle, it **loses** 19% of its kinetic energy.
- (a) **Derive** an **expression** for the time, T_b , it takes from one bounce to the next.
- (b) **Calculate** the coefficient of restitution, e for the ball bouncing from the surface.
- (c) **Derive** an **expression** for the speed, v_s , at which the surface must move for the ball to have the **same speed** v_b just after each bounce as it had just before the bounce.
- (d) MCQ 3: What is the **maximum** possible height h to which the ball can bounce?
- (A) 2 m
- (B) 5 m
- (C) 7 m
- (D) 10 m
- (E) 14 m
- (e) **Explain** your answer to part d in detail.
- (f) **Discuss** other possible regular motion of the ball without changing the given parameters.

4. A constant 10 MA current, I , flows along a long, thin perfect conducting hollow cylinder. Initially, the outer radius of the cylinder, b , is 1.0 cm and the inner radius is a . A uniform, external magnetic field B_0 of 1.0 T is applied along the axis of the cylinder. For calculations, you may assume that the thickness of the cylinder is negligible.



- (a) **Write down** an **expression** for the magnetic field at the surface of the cylinder.
- (b) Assuming that the current density is uniform, **sketch** well **labelled graphs** of the following against the distance from the center r in the range $r = a$ to $r = b$. (labels should numerical values or expressions wherever possible)
- Current enclosed at r
 - Magnitude of magnetic field at r
 - Force acting on a thin shell of current between r and $r + \Delta r$, where $\Delta r \ll b - a$ and is a constant.
- (c) MCQ 4: What is the **pressure** acting on the whole curved surface of the cylinder?
- (A) 0 Pa
- (B) 0.8 MPa
- (C) 0.16 GPa
- (D) 16 GPa
- (E) 32 GPa
- (d) **Explain** your answer in part (c).
- (e) The cylinder is flexible and allowed to move.
- Explain** what happens to the area, magnetic field and magnetic flux within the cylinder as the cylinder moves (e.g expands or contracts) as time passes.
 - What is the radius of the cylinder at equilibrium?

5. A bar magnet is attached to the end of a non-magnetic spring, with spring constant 484 Nm^{-1} , as shown in the diagram. The other end of the spring is attached to a fixed force sensor which was **zeroed** when the magnet was at its equilibrium position, before being zeroed, the force sensor shows 4.8N. The magnet is right at the center of a coil of wires when the magnet is in its equilibrium position. Assume the spring has negligible mass and that friction is negligible. The coil has length L_C and the magnet has length $L_m \approx L_C/4$. The spring is stretched by $x_0 = 1 \text{ cm} < L_m$ and released at time $t = 0$ such that it performs **simple harmonic motion** in the coil. When the magnet was initially moved from far above the coil to inside the center of the coil a plot of the EMF vs time was obtained. The area under this curve was found to be -0.003 Vs .

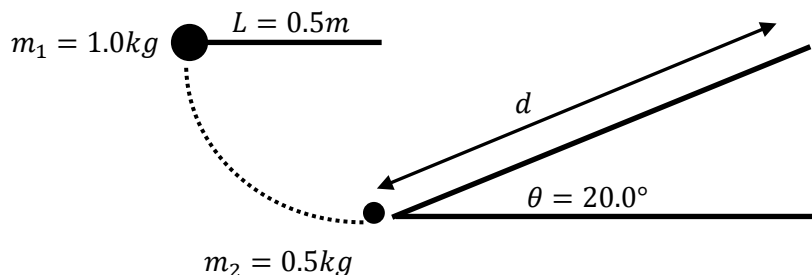


- (a) Using the same x scale **sketch** well labelled graphs of (labels should give **numerical values** and **expressions** where possible)
- magnetic flux, Φ through the coil of wires against the position x of the magnet, where x represents the distance between the center of mass of the magnet above its equilibrium position, and
 - the slope of above graph, $\frac{d\Phi}{dx}$ against x .
- (b) Using the same time scale and leaving some space for part (c), sketch well labelled graphs of
- force against time,
 - velocity of the magnet, dx/dt , against time, and
 - displacement of the magnet, x , against time.
- (c) **Sketch** a well **labelled** graph of EMF vs time below the graph in part (b) using the same time scale. Show how the various features of the EMF curve corresponds to the features on the force curve.
- (d) MCQ 5: Which of the following statement is **true**?
- The magnitude of the EMF is maximum only when the force is zero.
 - The magnitude of the EMF is maximum only when the magnitude of the force is maximum.
 - The magnitude of the EMF is zero only when the magnitude of the force is maximum.
 - The magnitude of the EMF is zero only when the force is zero.
 - None of the above statements are true.

(e) **Discuss** the effect of connecting a resistor with small resistance across the coil on the measured voltage.

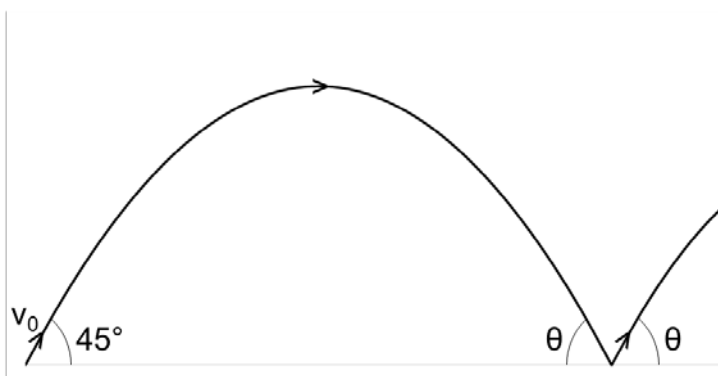
6. A 1.0 kg point mass is attached to a taut string of length 0.5 m as a pendulum. The mass and string are initially held horizontally. When the mass is released, it swings down and strikes a 0.5 kg point mass at the bottom of its trajectory in an elastic collision. The 0.5 kg mass then rolls up an incline of 20.0° . What distance, d , does the point mass travel up the slope?

- (A) 0.89 m
(B) 1.8 m
(C) 2.6 m
(D) 4.2 m
(E) 5.2 m



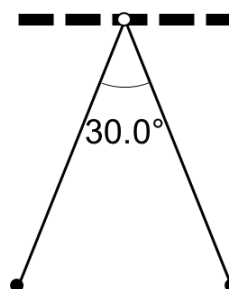
7. A point mass is launched at 30.0 m s^{-1} , at an angle of 45.0° above a flat horizontal plane. Upon the impact of the particle with the plane, the point mass bounces off and moves forward at the same angle to the horizontal, but loses $1/4$ of its kinetic energy. What is the total horizontal distance that the mass travels before coming to rest?

- (A) 91 m
(B) 183 m
(C) 210 m
(D) 367 m
(E) 685 m



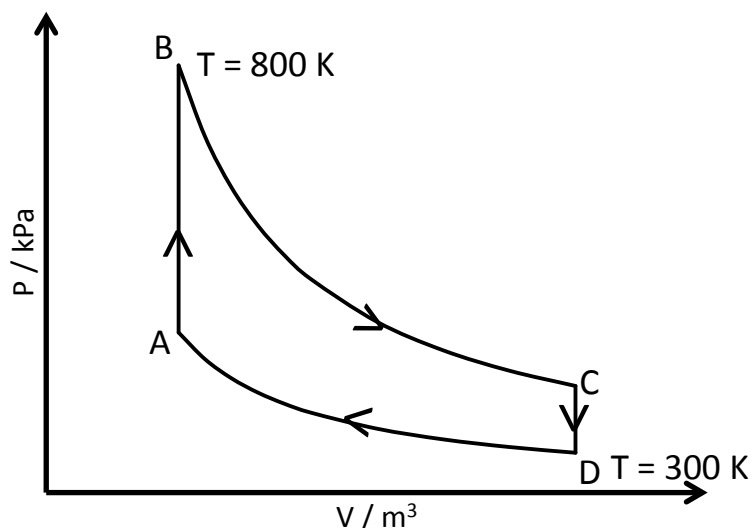
8. Two point charges of mass $1.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg}$ and equal charge q are separately hung on strings of length 1.0 m connected to the same point. The angle between the strings is 30.0° . What is the charge q ?

- (A) $1.4 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C}$
(B) $2.8 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C}$
(C) $5.6 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C}$
(D) $7.9 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C}$
(E) $8.9 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$



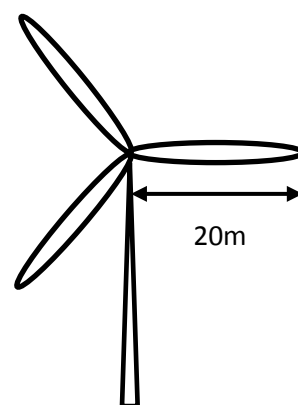
9. An ideal monatomic gas is initially at pressure $p_A = 1.00 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ and volume 0.500 m^3 (state A). It is isovolumetrically heated to 800 K (state B), then allowed to isothermally expand to volume 2.00 m^3 (state C). It is then isovolumetrically cooled back to 300 K (state D) and isothermally compressed to 0.500 m^3 , returning to its initial state A. What is the pressure of the gas at state C, p_C ?

- (A) $p_C = 25 \text{ kPa}$
 (B) $p_C = 66.7 \text{ kPa}$
 (C) $p_C = 133 \text{ kPa}$
 (D) $p_C = 267 \text{ kPa}$
 (E) $p_C = 300 \text{ kPa}$



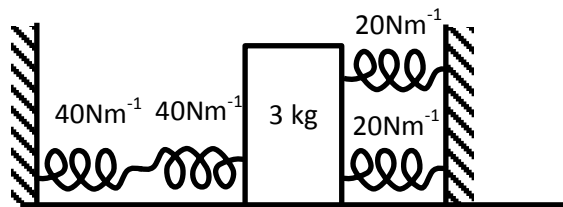
10. Wind turbines are used to generate electricity in some countries. An example is the 225kW, Brooklyn wind turbine in Wellington which has 20m length blades. What is the area swept out by the blades required to get the same power from wind in Singapore as compared to Wellington. You may assume that wind speed in Wellington is about 8 ms^{-1} , the wind speed in Singapore is about 2 ms^{-1} and that the efficiency of the wind turbines are comparable.

- (A) less than 2500 m^2
 (B) between 2500 m^2 to $10,000 \text{ m}^2$
 (C) between $10,000 \text{ m}^2$ to $40,000 \text{ m}^2$
 (D) between $40,000 \text{ m}^2$ to 0.16 km^2
 (E) more than 0.16 km^2



11. A mass $m_0 = 3.00 \text{ kg}$ is connected by 4 horizontal springs stretched between two rigid walls **as shown in the diagram**. The spring constants of the springs are 20.0 N m^{-1} and 40.0 N m^{-1} . The mass is then displaced slightly to the right and allowed to oscillate in the horizontal direction. Assume friction is negligible. What is the frequency of the oscillations?

- (A) 3.65 Hz
 (B) 2.58 Hz
 (C) 0.712 Hz
 (D) 0.581 Hz
 (E) 0.411 Hz



12. An **additional mass** m is added to the oscillator in the previous problem and the period changed by $10^{-8} \%$. What is the mass?

- (A) $0.60 \mu\text{g}$
 (B) $0.42 \mu\text{g}$
 (C) $0.35 \mu\text{g}$
 (D) $0.30 \mu\text{g}$
 (E) $0.17 \mu\text{g}$

13. A satellite orbits the Earth at 10,400 km from the surface of the earth, at the equator, in the same sense as the earth's rotation. It was directly above Singapore at some time, how much **time** must elapse before it is directly over Singapore again? Assume the satellite travels in a circular orbit.

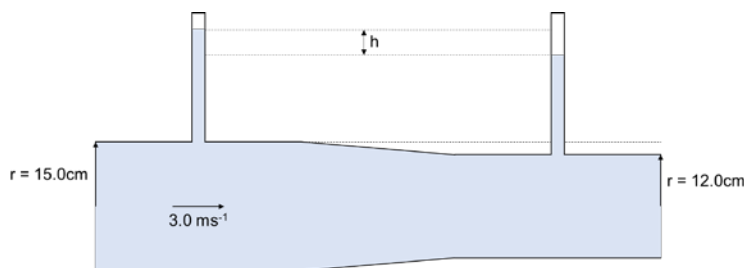
- (A) 12 hrs
 (B) 8 hrs
 (C) 6 hrs
 (D) 4 hrs
 (E) 3 hrs

14. An A.C generator operates at 12V and a constant frequency of 15.9hz. The generator has a rotating magnet inside a coil which generates the EMF. The coil has an internal resistance of 0.01 ohm and internal inductance of 0.01H. Which of the components when connected as a load to the generator will achieve the **most power dissipated** in the **external** resistor?

(A) 0.05 Ohm resistor in series with 0.01F capacitor
 (B) 0.04 Ohm resistor in series with 0.01H inductor
 (C) 0.03 Ohm resistor
 (D) 0.02 Ohm resistor in parallel with 0.01F capacitor
 (E) 0.01 Ohm resistor in parallel with 0.01H inductor

15. Water enters the pipe shown in the diagram at 3.0 ms^{-1} . The radius of the pipe at the point of entry is 15.0 cm. The pipe then narrows to a radius of 12.0 cm. Assume that atmospheric pressure is constant at 100 kPa, **calculate the height difference h** in the water levels on the left and right as indicated?

(A) 0.18 m
 (B) 0.21 m
 (C) 0.24 m
 (D) 0.27 m
 (E) 0.30 m



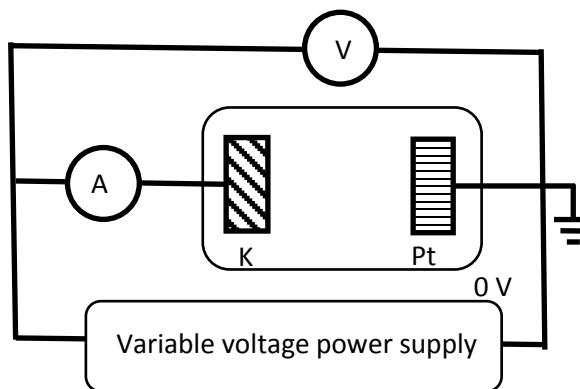
16. A copper sphere of radius 1.00 cm is placed into 50.0 cm^3 of water. The copper sphere is initially at 25.0°C while the water is initially at 40.0°C . Assuming no heat transfer with the environment, **what is the final temperature** of the water and copper sphere? Heat capacity of copper = 0.385 J/(g K) , density of copper = 8.96 g/cm^3 .

(A) 39.0°C
 (B) 37.5°C
 (C) 35.4°C
 (D) 34.7°C
 (E) 30.8°C

17. A 50kg woman climbs 280m up to the top of the UOB Plaza One. She drinks 250g cup of crushed ice and 80g of water at 0°C . What is the **ratio** of “work done against gravity” to “heat required to heat up the drink to 37°C ”.
- (A) 100:1
(B) 10:1
(C) 1:1
(D) 1:10
(E) 1:100
18. **Unpolarised** light of intensity I_0 passes through an ideal polarizing filter that has its axis vertically oriented. The polarized light then passes through 3 additional ideal polarizers, with polarizing axes at 30° , 60° and 90° to the vertical in the order that the light passes through them. What is the intensity of the light exiting the last polarizer?
- (A) 0
(B) $\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{16} I_0$
(C) $\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8} I_0$
(D) $\frac{27}{64} I_0$
(E) $\frac{27}{128} I_0$

19. A transparent vacuum tube with two electrodes, one made of potassium, K, work function 2.3eV , and the other of platinum, Pt, work function 6.3eV , is connected to a variable voltage power supply and voltmeter and ammeter as shown in the figure. The terminal of the power supply connected to the **Pt plate is grounded** and defined to be 0V . UV light of 345 nm wavelength shines on **both electrodes**. The variable voltage power supply is adjusted until current starts to flow. Current **starts to flow** when the potential at the K electrode, _____. (Hint: Batteries have two different electrodes to produce a potential difference.)

- (A) V is anything except 0
 (B) $V < +1.3\text{V}$
 (C) $V > +2.3\text{V}$
 (D) $V < -2.7\text{V}$
 (E) None of the above



20. It is possible to fuse two nuclei of deuterium, ${}^2_1\text{H}$ together to produce helium-3, a neutron and some energy i.e. ${}^3_2\text{He} + n^0 + 3.27\text{MeV}$. Consider the situation where a deuteron with 0.10 MeV kinetic energy fuses with a stationary deuterium nucleus. **Calculate the ratio** of maximum helium-3 energy to minimum? (Hint: consider a frame of reference where the center of mass is stationary)
- (A) 2.4
 (B) 2.7
 (C) 3.0
 (D) 3.3
 (E) 3.6

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