

The University of the State of New York
REGENTS HIGH SCHOOL EXAMINATION

**PHYSICAL SETTING
PHYSICS**

Thursday, June 23, 2022 — 9:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., only

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Answer all questions in all parts of this examination according to the directions provided in the examination booklet.

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A scientific or graphing calculator, a centimeter ruler, a protractor, and a copy of the *2006 Edition Reference Tables for Physical Setting/Physics*, which you may need to answer some questions in this examination, must be available for your use while taking this examination.

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Part A

Answer all questions in this part.

Directions (1–35): For *each* statement or question, choose the word or expression that, of those given, best completes the statement or answers the question. Some questions may require the use of the *2006 Edition Reference Tables for Physical Setting/Physics*. Record your answers on your separate answer sheet.

1 Which terms identify two scalar quantities?

- (1) force and acceleration
- (2) impulse and distance
- (3) mass and velocity
- (4) energy and time

2 A motorcyclist, initially traveling east at 15 meters per second, accelerates uniformly at a rate of 3.0 meters per second squared east to a velocity of 21 meters per second east. How far does the motorcyclist travel while accelerating?

- (1) 1.0 m
- (2) 2.0 m
- (3) 36 m
- (4) 72 m

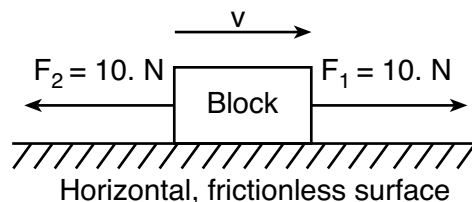
3 A battery-powered electric motor is used to cause the wheels of a toy car to rotate. In this motor, there is a conversion of

- (1) mechanical energy to electric energy
- (2) electric energy to chemical energy
- (3) thermal energy to electric energy
- (4) electric energy to mechanical energy

4 A projectile is launched horizontally from a height of 65 meters with an initial horizontal speed of 35 meters per second. What is the projectile's horizontal speed after it has fallen 25 meters? [Neglect friction.]

- (1) 22 m/s
- (2) 35 m/s
- (3) 41 m/s
- (4) 280 m/s

5 The diagram below represents two forces, F_1 and F_2 , acting concurrently on a block sliding on a horizontal, frictionless surface.



Which statement describes the motion of the block?

- (1) The block is accelerating to the right.
- (2) The block is accelerating to the left.
- (3) The block is moving to the right with constant speed.
- (4) The block is moving to the left with decreasing speed.

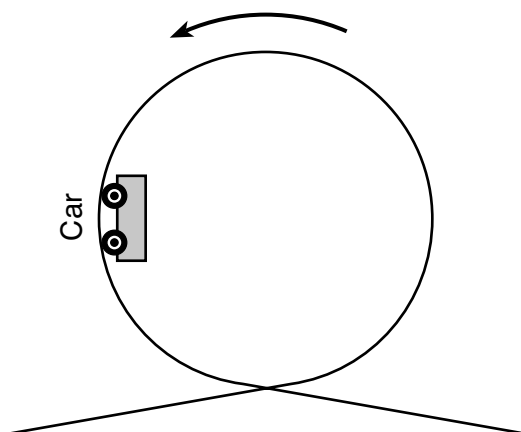
6 The magnitude of an unbalanced force applied to a 4.0-kilogram crate is 10. newtons. If the magnitude of this applied unbalanced force is doubled, the inertia of the crate is

- (1) halved
- (2) unchanged
- (3) doubled
- (4) quadrupled

7 A 60.-kilogram man is pushing a 30.-kilogram lawn mower. Compared to the magnitude of the force exerted on the lawn mower by the man, the magnitude of the force exerted on the man by the lawn mower is

- (1) one-quarter as great
- (2) one-half as great
- (3) the same
- (4) twice as great

- 8 The diagram below represents a roller coaster car traveling counterclockwise in a vertical circle.



When the car is in the position shown, what are the directions of the centripetal force acting on the car and the velocity of the car?

- (1) The centripetal force is directed to the right and the velocity is directed downward.
 - (2) The centripetal force is directed downward and the velocity is directed to the right.
 - (3) The centripetal force and velocity are both directed to the right.
 - (4) The centripetal force and velocity are both directed downward.
- 9 An electric motor with a power rating of 6.48×10^4 watts is used to raise an elevator weighing 2.80×10^4 newtons at constant speed. What is the total time required for the motor to raise the elevator a vertical distance of 20.0 meters?
- (1) 0.116 s
 - (2) 2.31 s
 - (3) 8.64 s
 - (4) 46.3 s
- 10 A person standing on a sidewalk hears the siren of an ambulance as it approaches, passes by, and goes away from the person. Compared to the frequency of the sound emitted by the siren, the frequency of the sound observed by the person during this event is
- (1) higher, only
 - (2) lower, only
 - (3) first higher and then lower
 - (4) first lower and then higher

- 11 Which particles exhibit properties of waves in some experiments?

- (1) photons, only
- (2) electrons, only
- (3) both photons and electrons
- (4) neither photons nor electrons

- 12 The direction of the electric field at a point in space is defined as the direction of the force exerted by the field on a

- (1) test mass located at that point
- (2) magnetic north pole located at that point
- (3) negative test charge located at that point
- (4) positive test charge located at that point

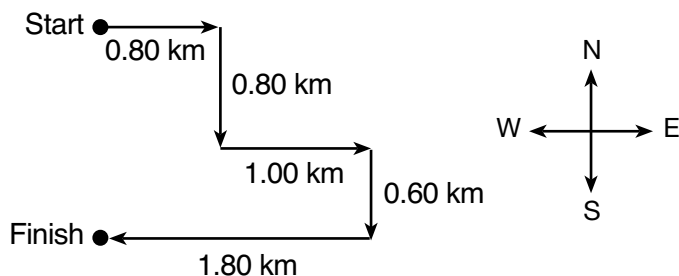
- 13 A net force of one newton will

- (1) accelerate a 1-kg mass at 1.0 m/s^2
- (2) accelerate a 1-kg mass at 9.8 m/s^2
- (3) lift a 1-kg mass vertically at a constant speed of 1.0 m/s
- (4) lift a 1-kg mass vertically at a constant speed of 9.8 m/s

- 14 The elongation of a spring will be quadrupled if the magnitude of the force elongating the spring is

- (1) quartered
- (2) halved
- (3) doubled
- (4) quadrupled

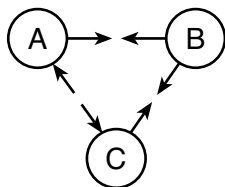
- 15 The vector diagram below represents the path and distances run by a student in a cross-country race.



The displacement of the student from start to finish is

- (1) 1.40 km north
- (2) 1.40 km south
- (3) 5.00 km north
- (4) 5.00 km south

- 16 The diagram below shows the arrangement of three charged hollow metal spheres, A, B, and C. The arrows indicate the direction of the electric forces acting between the spheres.



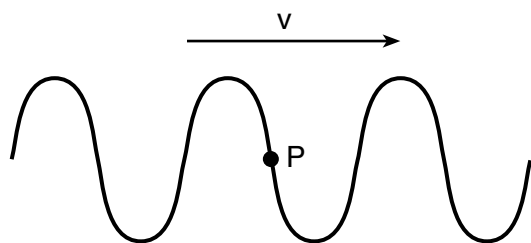
- What spheres have static charges of the same sign?
- (1) A and B, only (3) B and C, only
(2) A and C, only (4) A, B, and C
- 17 Two small charged spheres are located distance d from each other and experience an electrostatic force of attraction, F_e . If the magnitude of charge of each sphere is tripled and F_e is unchanged, what other change must have occurred?
- (1) The signs of both charges are changed.
(2) The sign of only one charge is changed.
(3) Distance d was increased by a factor of three.
(4) Distance d was increased by a factor of nine.
- 18 Compared to the resistance of an aluminum wire at 20°C , the resistance of a tungsten wire of the same length and diameter at 20°C is approximately
- (1) the same (3) one-half as great
(2) twice as great (4) four times as great
- 19 How much energy is expended when a current of 5.00 amperes is in a 5.00 ohm resistor for 5.00 seconds?
- (1) 25.0 J (3) 625 J
(2) 125 J (4) 3130 J
- 20 The amount of electric current through an unknown resistor may be measured by connecting
- (1) an ammeter in series with the resistor
(2) an ammeter in parallel with the resistor
(3) a voltmeter in series with the resistor
(4) a voltmeter in parallel with the resistor

- 21 Which phenomenon represents a wave spreading out behind a barrier as the wave passes by the edge of the barrier?
- (1) diffraction (3) reflection
(2) refraction (4) interference
- 22 A 1.00 kilometer length of copper wire, A, with a cross-sectional area of 1.00×10^{-4} meter squared has a resistance of 0.172 ohm at 20°C . Another copper wire, B, is half as long and has twice the cross-sectional area of wire A. What is the resistance of copper wire B at 20°C ?
- (1) 0.0430 Ω (3) 0.172 Ω
(2) 0.0860 Ω (4) 0.344 Ω
- 23 The magnitude of electric force exerted on a small positive charge located between two oppositely charged parallel plates is
- (1) smallest near the positive plate
(2) smallest near the negative plate
(3) greatest midway between the plates
(4) the same everywhere between the plates
- 24 An acoustic organ is a musical instrument with pipes. The oscillation of air molecules in the pipes of the organ produces sound waves that are
- (1) electromagnetic and longitudinal
(2) electromagnetic and transverse
(3) mechanical and longitudinal
(4) mechanical and transverse
- 25 Which list identifies portions of the electromagnetic spectrum in order of increasing frequency?
- (1) gamma ray, infrared, visible, ultraviolet
(2) ultraviolet, visible, infrared, gamma ray
(3) infrared, visible, ultraviolet, gamma ray
(4) gamma ray, ultraviolet, visible, infrared
- 26 A tuning fork is used to produce a sound wave having a frequency of 512 hertz. What is the wavelength of the sound wave in air at STP?
- (1) 0.646 m (3) 3.31×10^2 m
(2) 1.55 m (4) 5.86×10^5 m

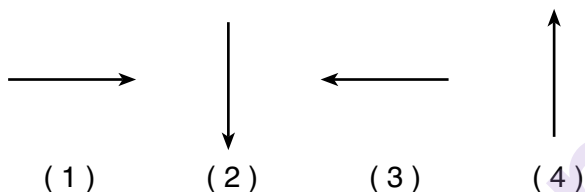
27 An amplified sound wave produced by an opera singer shatters a glass. Which phenomenon best explains this event?

- (1) diffraction (3) refraction
(2) reflection (4) resonance

28 The diagram below represents a wave traveling in a rope in the direction indicated.



Which arrow represents the motion of a particle at point P at the instant shown?



29 If several resistors are connected in series in an electrical circuit, the potential difference across each resistor

- (1) varies directly with the resistance of each resistor
(2) varies inversely with the resistance of each resistor
(3) varies inversely with the square of the resistance of each resistor
(4) is independent of the resistance of each resistor

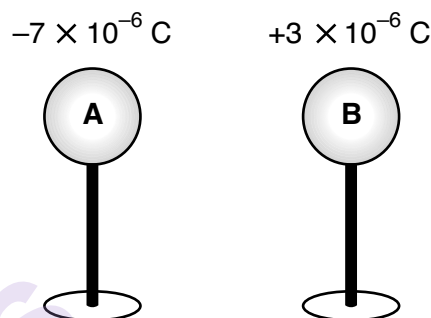
30 In medium X , light with a wavelength of 3.44×10^{-7} meter travels at 2.20×10^8 meters per second. In medium Y , this light has a wavelength of 3.12×10^{-7} meter. What is the speed of this light in medium Y ?

- (1) 2.00×10^8 m/s (3) 2.43×10^8 m/s
(2) 2.20×10^8 m/s (4) 3.00×10^8 m/s

31 A nuclear reactor produces 2.7×10^{16} joules of energy per year. How much mass is converted to energy by the reactor in one year?

- (1) 0.30 kg (3) 9.0×10^7 kg
(2) 0.90 kg (4) 2.4×10^{33} kg

32 The diagram below shows the initial charge and position of two identical conducting spheres on insulating stands.



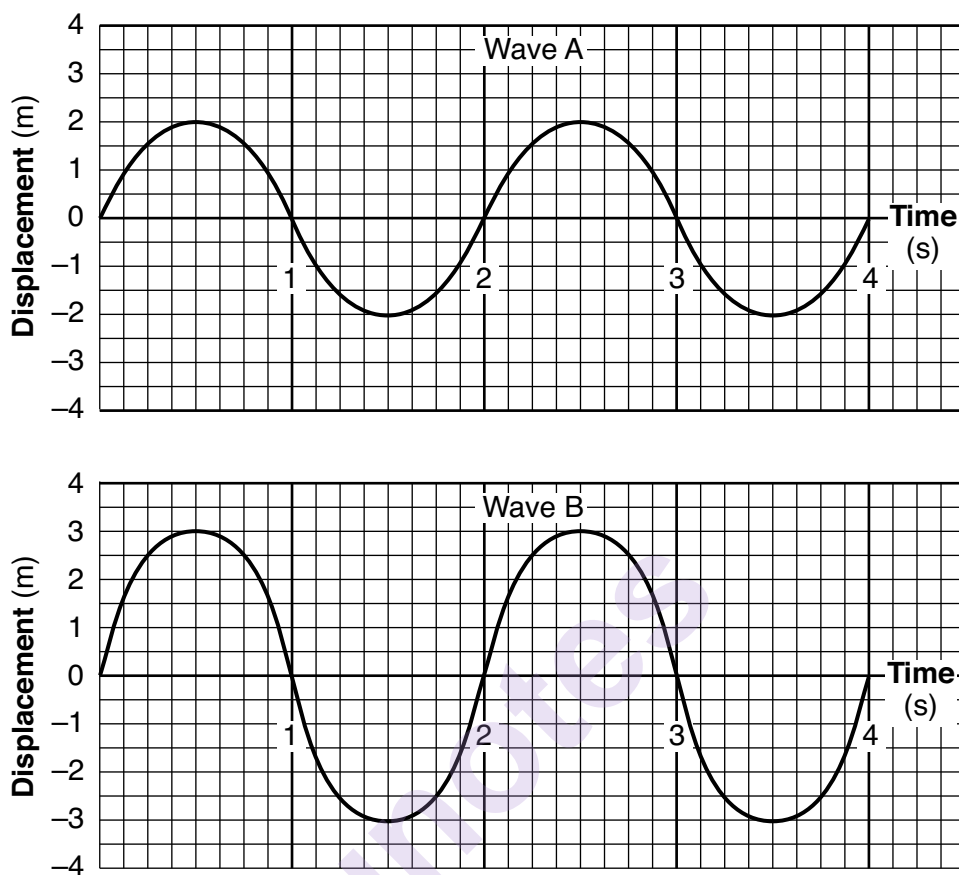
If the spheres are brought into contact with each other and separated, sphere B will have a net charge of

- (1) $-5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$ (3) $+5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$
(2) $-2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$ (4) $-4 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$

33 An antimuon neutrino is a

- (1) lepton with a $-1e$ charge
(2) lepton with 0 charge
(3) meson with a $-1e$ charge
(4) meson with 0 charge

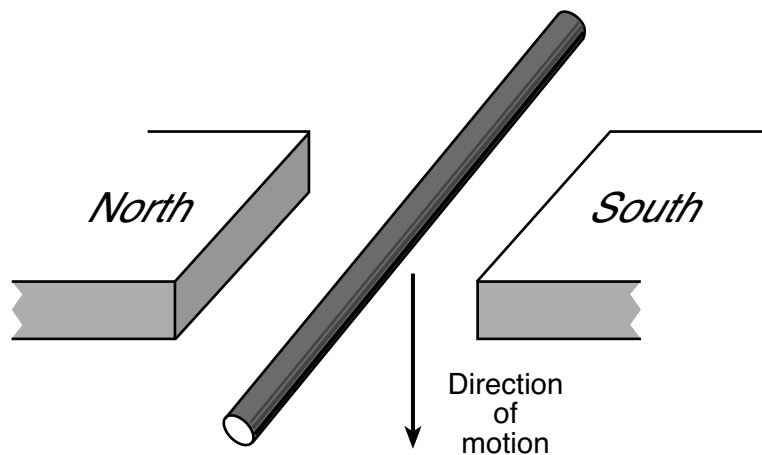
34 The graphs below show the displacement of a certain particle in a medium versus time due to two periodic waves, A and B, traveling through the medium.



The superposition of the two waves will cause the particle of the medium to have a maximum displacement of

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| (1) 1.0 m | (3) 2.5 m |
| (2) 2.0 m | (4) 5.0 m |

35 The diagram below represents a wire that is *not* part of a complete circuit, just above the poles of two magnets.



Moving the wire downward between the poles in the direction shown in the diagram will

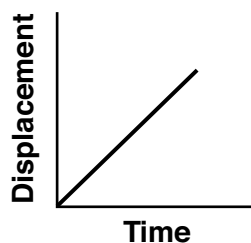
- (1) induce an alternating magnetic field between the poles of the magnets
 - (2) induce a potential difference between the ends of the wire
 - (3) decrease the wire's resistivity
 - (4) reverse the direction of the magnetic field
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Part B-1

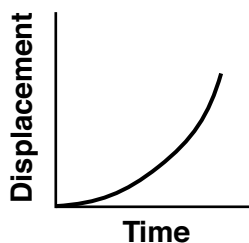
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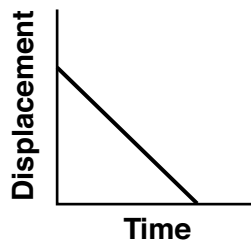
- 36 Which graph best represents the motion of an object traveling at a constant positive velocity?



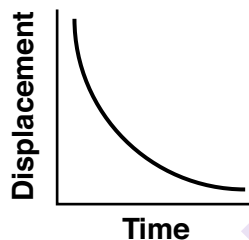
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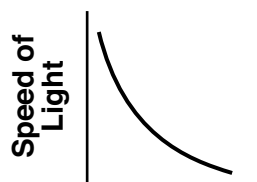
- 37 A cannonball is fired with an initial velocity of 100. meters per second at an angle of 15.0° above the horizontal. What are the horizontal (v_x) and vertical (v_y) components of this velocity?

- (1) $v_x = 96.6 \text{ m/s}$, $v_y = 25.9 \text{ m/s}$
- (2) $v_x = 25.9 \text{ m/s}$, $v_y = 96.6 \text{ m/s}$
- (3) $v_x = 76.0 \text{ m/s}$, $v_y = 65.0 \text{ m/s}$
- (4) $v_x = 65.0 \text{ m/s}$, $v_y = 76.0 \text{ m/s}$

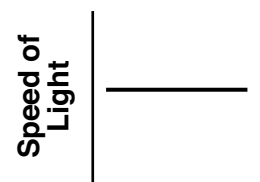
- 38 A 1200-kilogram car is moving at 10. meters per second when a braking force of 3000. newtons is applied. How much time is required to bring the car to rest?

- (1) 0.40 s
- (2) 2.5 s
- (3) 25 s
- (4) 4.0 s

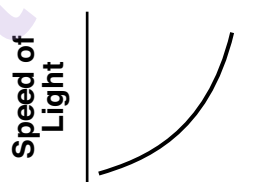
- 39 Which graph best represents the relationship between the speed of light ($f = 5.09 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$) in a transparent medium and the absolute index of refraction of the medium?



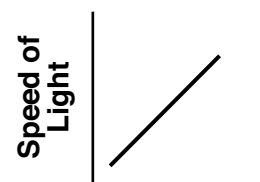
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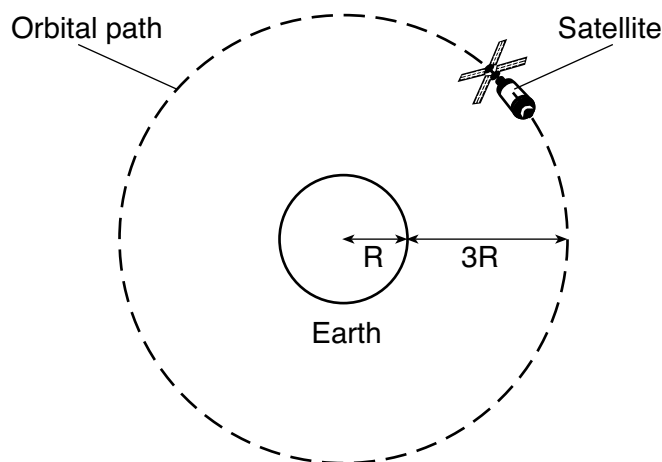
- 40 A student uses a string to whirl a 0.25-kilogram mass in a horizontal circular path that has a 0.80-meter radius. If the magnitude of the centripetal force exerted on the mass with the string is 25 newtons, the speed of the mass is

- (1) 2.8 m/s
- (2) 8.9 m/s
- (3) 11 m/s
- (4) 80. m/s

- 41 A deuteron is formed by combining a proton and a neutron. The mass of a deuteron is 2.39×10^{-3} universal mass unit less than the combined masses of a proton and a neutron. This mass difference is equivalent to

- (1) $2.56 \times 10^{-6} \text{ MeV}$
- (2) 2.23 MeV
- (3) 2.39 MeV
- (4) $2.15 \times 10^{14} \text{ MeV}$

- 42 A gravitational force of magnitude F exists between Earth and a satellite on Earth's surface. The satellite is sent into orbit at a distance of three Earth radii above Earth's surface, as shown in the diagram below.



What is the magnitude of the gravitational force between Earth and the satellite when the satellite is in orbit?

- (1) $\frac{1}{16}F$ (3) $3F$
 (2) $\frac{1}{9}F$ (4) $4F$
- 43 As part of an investigation on quantization, a student measured and recorded the mass of five identical containers, each holding a different number of pennies. The table shows the student's data.

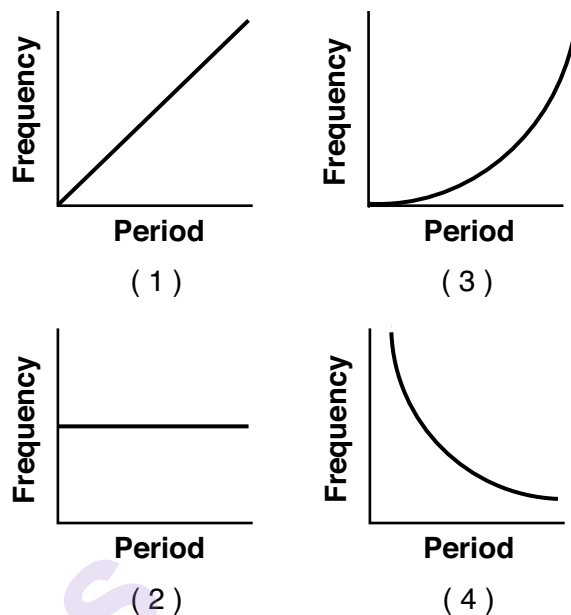
Data Table

Container	Mass (g)
1	35.2
2	64.0
3	48.0
4	38.4
5	41.6

Based on the data, what is the most likely mass of one penny?

- (1) 3.2 g (3) 9.6 g
 (2) 6.4 g (4) 12.8 g

- 44 Which graph represents the relationship between the frequency and period of a wave?



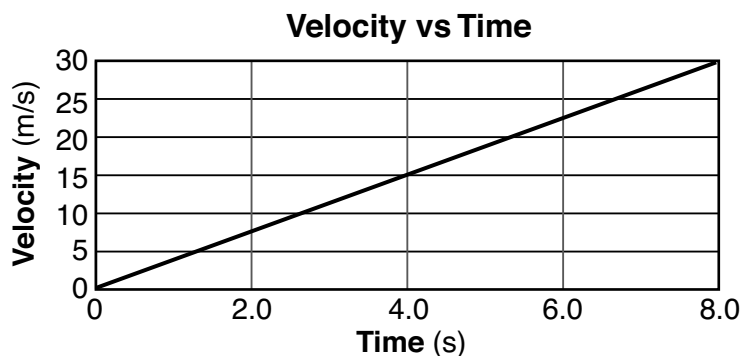
- 45 What is the current in a conductor if 3.15×10^{18} electrons pass a given point in the conductor in 10. seconds?

- (1) 0.050 A (3) 0.50 A
 (2) 2.0 A (4) 0.20 A

- 46 A particle with a charge of +3.0 nanocoulombs is placed in an electric field with a magnitude of 1500 newtons per coulomb. What is the magnitude of the electrostatic force exerted on the particle by the electric field?

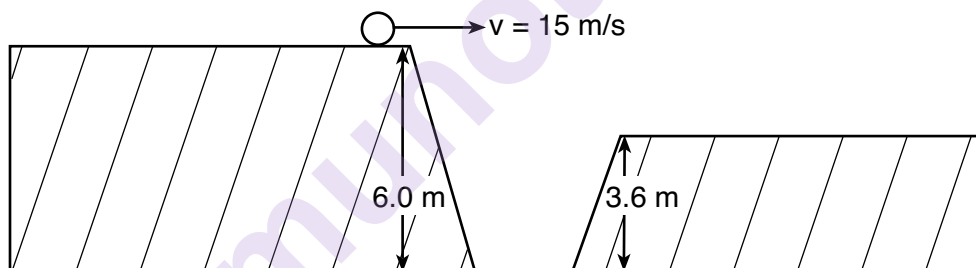
- (1) $4.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ N}$ (3) $4.5 \times 10^{11} \text{ N}$
 (2) $5.0 \times 10^2 \text{ N}$ (4) $5.0 \times 10^{12} \text{ N}$

- 47 The graph below represents the motion of an airplane that starts from rest and takes off from a straight runway.



Which quantity is represented by the slope of the graph?

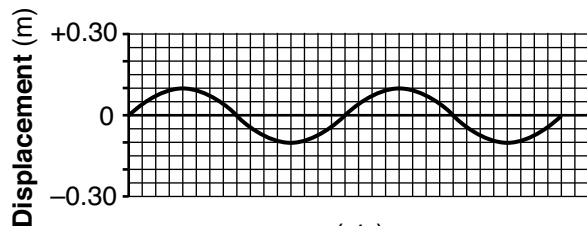
- (1) total distance traveled (3) average speed
(2) displacement (4) acceleration
- 48 The diagram below represents two horizontal platforms that are at different heights above level ground. A ball rolls off the taller platform with a horizontal speed of 15 meters per second and travels through the air, landing on the top of the shorter platform.



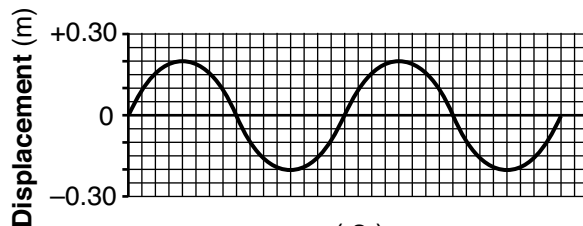
What is the total time the ball is in the air? [Neglect friction.]

- (1) 0.16 s (3) 0.70 s
(2) 0.49 s (4) 1.1 s

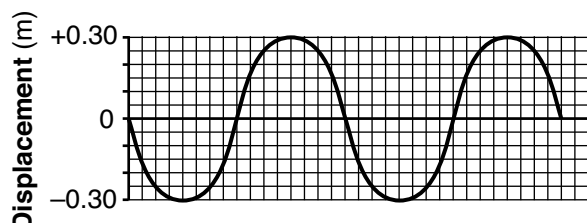
49 Four mechanical waves are created in the same medium over the same time interval. Which diagram represents the wave that transfers the greatest amount of energy?



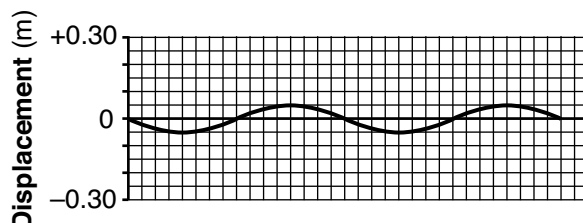
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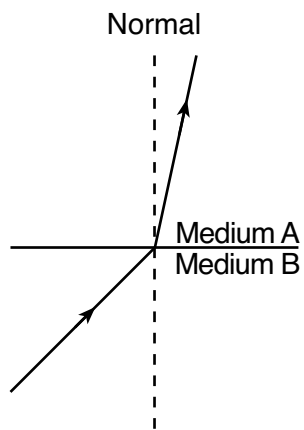


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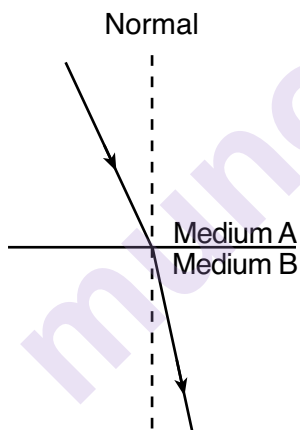


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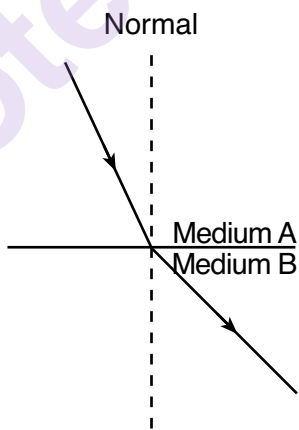
50 Which diagram represents a light ray increasing in speed as it travels from one medium to another?



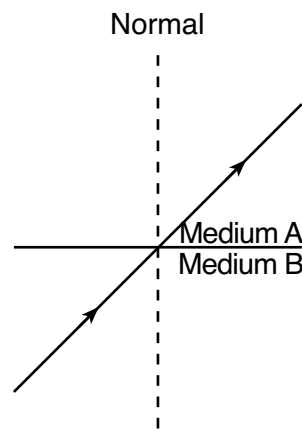
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Part B–2

Answer all questions in this part.

Directions (51–65): Record your answers in the spaces provided in your answer booklet. Some questions may require the use of the *2006 Edition Reference Tables for Physical Setting/Physics*.

- 51–52 To charge a cell-phone battery, 3.69×10^3 coulombs of charge is moved through a potential difference of 3.70 volts. Calculate the maximum amount of electrical energy gained by the battery. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]

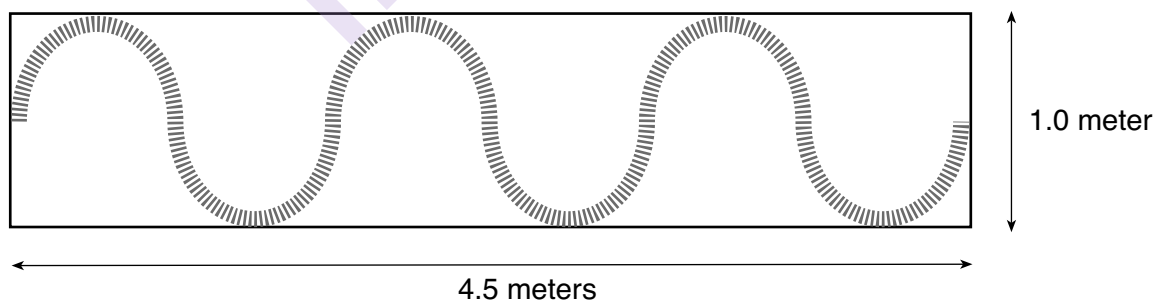
Base your answers to questions 53 through 55 on the information below and on your knowledge of physics.

A 55-kilogram ice skater slides across a level ice surface and the force of friction acting on the skates has a magnitude of 11 newtons.

- 53 Determine the magnitude of the weight of the ice skater. [1]
- 54–55 Calculate the coefficient of kinetic friction between the ice skater and the ice. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]
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Base your answers to questions 56 and 57 on the information and diagram below and on your knowledge of physics.

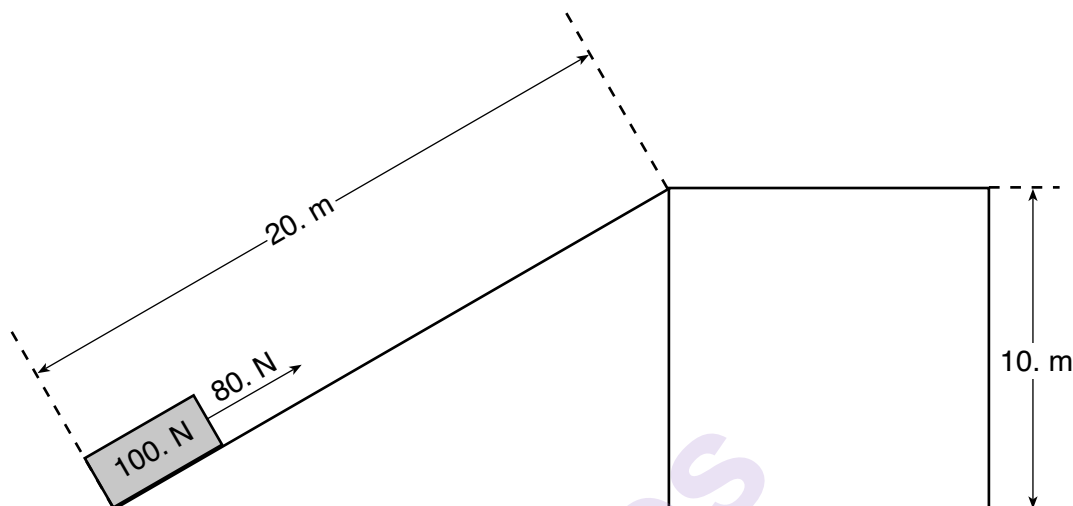
A student produces a wave in a flexible spring stretched along a tabletop by shaking one end of the spring at a frequency of 2.0 hertz.



- 56 Determine the amplitude of the wave produced in the spring. [1]
- 57 Determine the wavelength of the wave produced in the spring. [1]
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Base your answers to questions 58 through 60 on the information and diagram below and on your knowledge of physics.

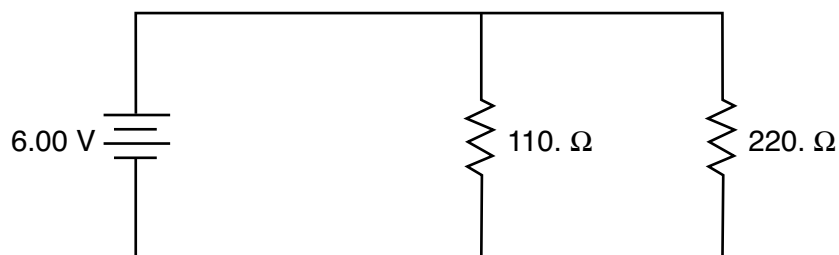
A 100.-newton box is pulled up a 20.-meter-long incline by a constant force of 80. newtons. The vertical height gained by the box is 10. meters.



- 58 Determine the total work done, in joules, by the 80.-newton force in pulling the box to the top of the incline. [1]
- 59 Determine the total amount of gravitational potential energy, in joules, gained by the box as it is pulled to the top of the incline. [1]
- 60 Explain why there is a difference between the total work done by the 80.-newton force in pulling the box to the top of the incline and the amount of gravitational potential energy gained by the box as it was pulled to the top of the incline. [1]
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Base your answers to questions 61 through 65 on the information and diagram below and on your knowledge of physics.

The diagram below represents an electric circuit consisting of a 110.-ohm resistor and a 220.-ohm resistor connected to a source of potential difference.



61–62 Calculate the equivalent resistance of the circuit. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]

63–64 Calculate the total current in the circuit. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]

65 Compare the power dissipated by the 110.-ohm resistor to the power dissipated by the 220.-ohm resistor. [1]

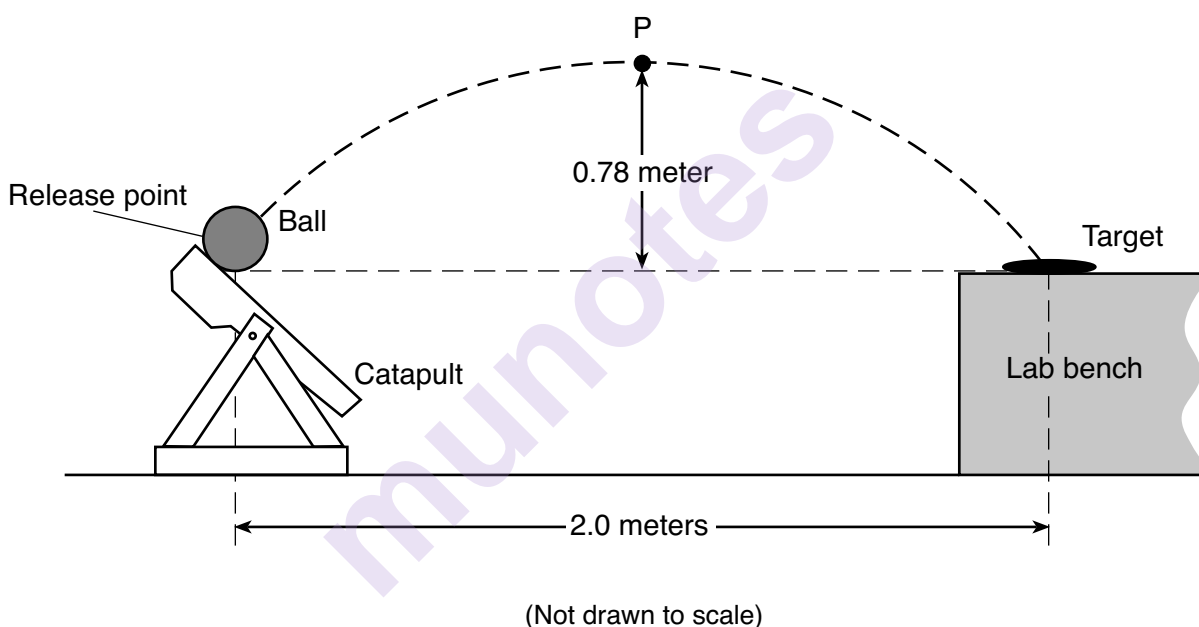
Part C

Answer all questions in this part.

Directions (66–85): Record your answers in the spaces provided in your answer booklet. Some questions may require the use of the *2006 Edition Reference Tables for Physical Setting/Physics*.

Base your answers to questions 66 through 70 on the information and diagram below and on your knowledge of physics.

A group of students constructs a catapult that launches a ball at a target placed on a lab bench. The students measure 0.80 second from the time the ball is released until it strikes the target, located a horizontal distance of 2.0 meters from the release point. The ball reaches a maximum height at point *P*, which is 0.78 meter above the ball's release point. The target is at the same height as the release point. [Neglect friction.]



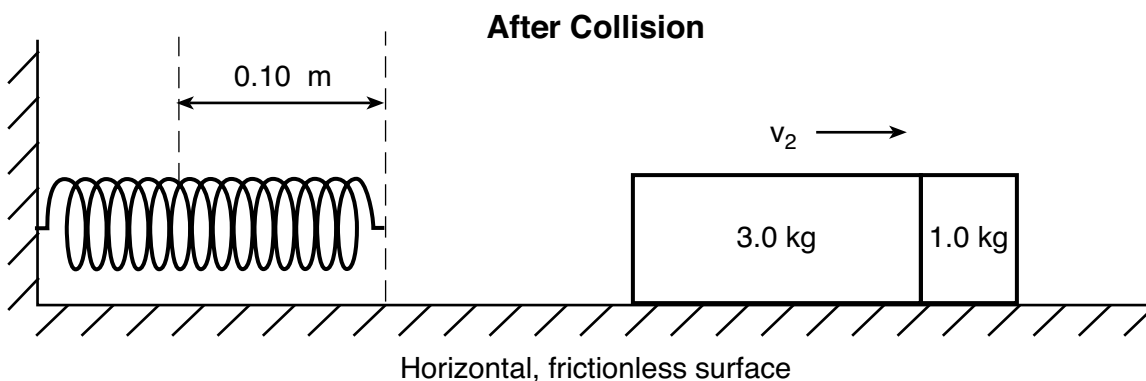
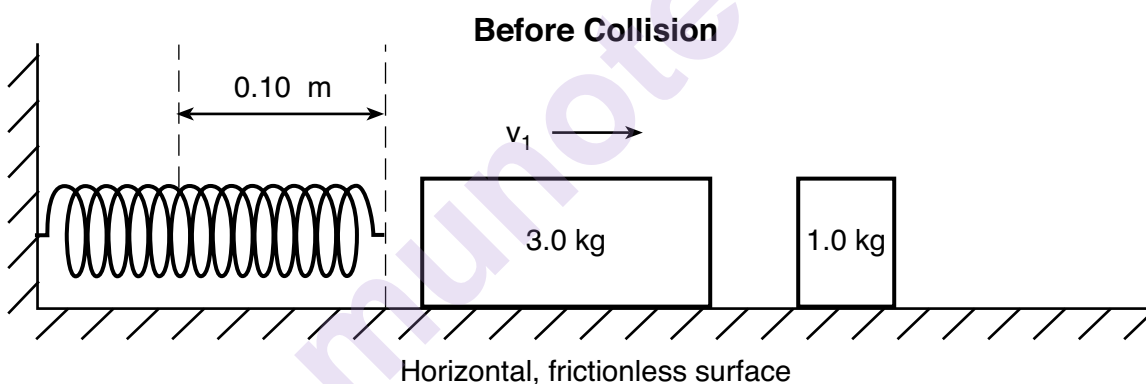
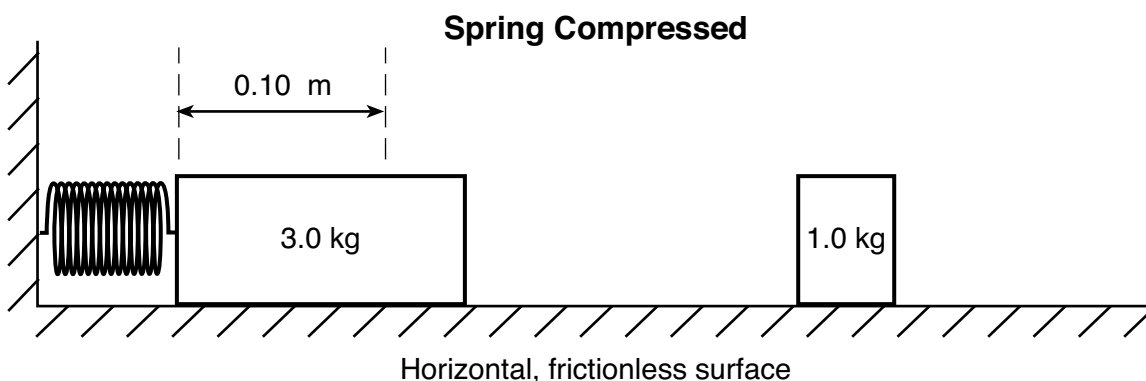
66–67 Calculate the horizontal component of the ball's initial velocity. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]

68–69 Calculate the vertical component of the ball's initial velocity. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]

70 On the diagram in your answer booklet, draw an arrow originating at point *P* that represents the direction of the ball's acceleration at point *P*. [1]

Base your answers to questions 71 through 75 on the information and diagram below and on your knowledge of physics.

A spring with a spring constant of 2600 newtons per meter is compressed 0.10 meter from its unstretched position. The spring is released, propelling a 3.0-kilogram block along a horizontal, frictionless surface. This block then collides with a stationary 1.0-kilogram block. The blocks remain joined and move together as shown in the diagram below.



(Not drawn to scale)

- 71 Determine the total amount of elastic potential energy stored in the spring when the spring is compressed 0.10 meter. [1]
- 72–73 Assuming all of the spring's energy is transferred to the 3.0-kilogram block, calculate the speed, v_1 , of the 3.0-kilogram block immediately after it is propelled by the spring. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]
- 74–75 Calculate the speed, v_2 , of the two blocks after the collision. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]
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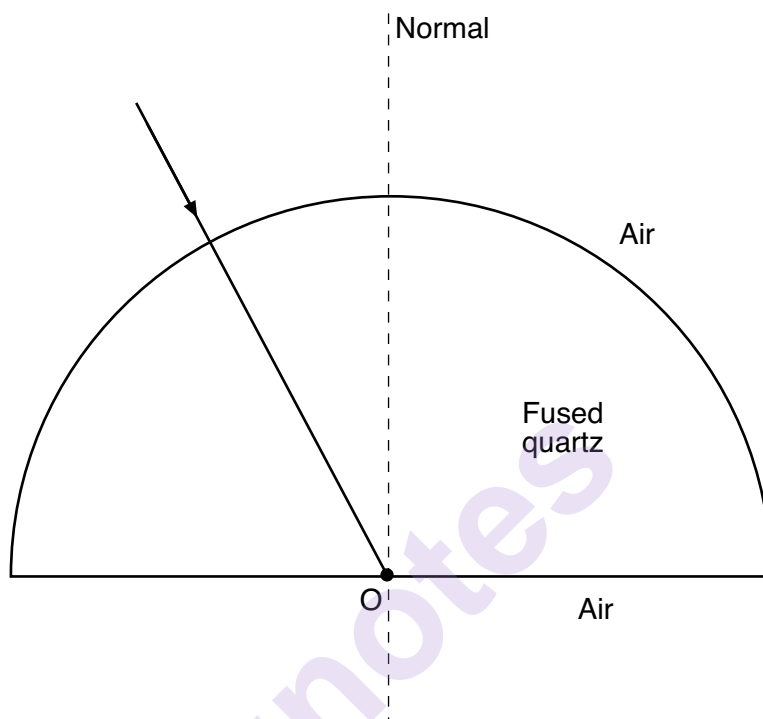
Base your answers to questions 76 through 80 on the information below and on your knowledge of physics.

A mercury atom emits a photon when an electron in the atom moves from energy level f to energy level d .

- 76 Determine the energy of the emitted photon, in electronvolts. [1]
- 77 Determine the energy of the emitted photon, in joules. [1]
- 78–79 Calculate the frequency of the emitted photon. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]
- 80 Based on your calculated value of the frequency of the emitted photon, determine its classification in the electromagnetic spectrum. [1]
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Base your answers to questions 81 through 85 on the information and diagram below, and on your knowledge of physics.

The diagram represents the path followed by a ray of light ($f = 5.09 \times 10^{14}$ Hz) as it strikes a semicircular block of fused quartz perpendicular to its curved surface.



- 81 Use a protractor to determine the angle of incidence of the light ray at point O. [1]
- 82–83 Calculate the angle of refraction as the light ray leaves the fused quartz at point O and enters the air. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]
- 84 Starting at point O and using a protractor and ruler, draw the refracted ray at the appropriate angle of refraction on the diagram *in your answer booklet*. [1]
- 85 Compare the frequency of the light in fused quartz to the frequency of the light in air. [1]
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