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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

Section A contains 40 objective type questions. You are required to write the correct answer A, B, C or D in blue or black ink against each question in the box on the right hand side.

Section B contains 10 structured questions. Answers are to be written in the space provided on the question paper.

Do **not** use pencil **except** for drawings. Any work done in pencil will **not** be marked.

Mathematical tables and silent non-programmable calculators may be used.

Acceleration due to gravity, $g = 10 \text{ ms}^{-2}$.

Specific heat capacity of water = $4200 \text{ Jkg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$.

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SECTION A: (40 MARKS)

Answer **all** the questions in this section.

1. The point below which a substance exists as a solid is called

A. freezing point.
B. boiling point.
C. evaporation point.
D. condensation point.

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2. The electrical quantity that is measured in volts is

A. charge.
B. current.
C. resistance.
D. electromotive force.

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3. Which one of the following fundamental quantities needs to be measured in order to determine density of a material in shape of a cube?

A. Length and temperature.
B. Mass and temperature.
C. Length and time.
D. Mass and length.

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4. Which one of the following metal layers should be used on jackets worn by workers in an X-ray room?

A. Iron layers.
B. Lead layers.
C. Copper layers.
D. Aluminium layers.

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5. Which one of the following characteristics is associated with images formed by the pin-hole camera?

A. Magnified.
B. Upright.
C. Virtual.
D. Real.

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6. Figure 1 shows a cross section of a lake.

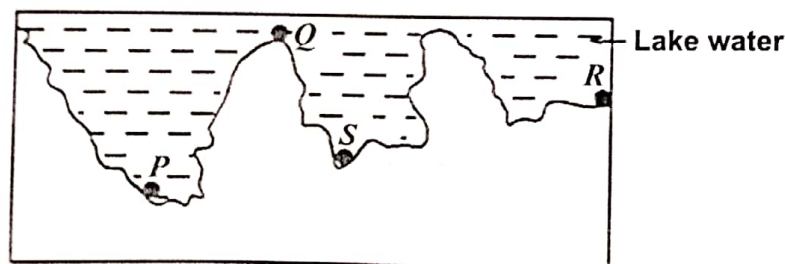


Fig. 1

Which one of the points P , Q , R and S has the greatest pressure?

- A. P .
- B. Q .
- C. R .
- D. S .

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7. A bullet which moves with very high speed penetrates deeply into solid matter because

- A. it has large amount of momentum.
- B. of sudden change in potential energy.
- C. it makes solid matter soft.
- D. it is hard.

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8. Hot water at a temperature of 70°C is poured in a beaker containing water of the same mass at 10°C . Assuming no heat losses, find the temperature of the mixture.

- A. 80°C .
- B. 60°C .
- C. 40°C .
- D. 30°C .

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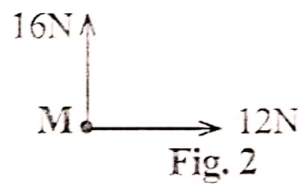
9. Which of the following is/are the reason(s) why diffusion takes place faster in gases than in liquids?

- (i) The force of attraction between molecules of a gas is almost negligible.
- (ii) The molecules of a gas are denser than those of liquids.
- (iii) Gaseous molecules move randomly in different directions.

- A. (ii) only.
- B. (iii) only.
- C. (i) and (ii) only.
- D. (i) and (iii) only.

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10. Figure 2 shows a body of mass, M , of 1kg acted upon by two forces of 16 N and 12 N.



Find the acceleration of the body.

- A. 4.0 ms^{-2} .
- B. 8.0 ms^{-2} .
- C. 12.0 ms^{-2} .
- D. 20.0 ms^{-2} .

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11. The output voltage of a given transformer is higher than the input voltage. Which one of the following statements explains this?

- A. It has a bare wire in the secondary coil.
- B. It has a direct current in the primary coil.
- C. Its secondary coil has more turns than the primary coil.
- D. Its primary coil has more turns than the secondary coil.

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12. Figure 3 shows a crowbar used to lift a load which is 0.3 m from the pivot.

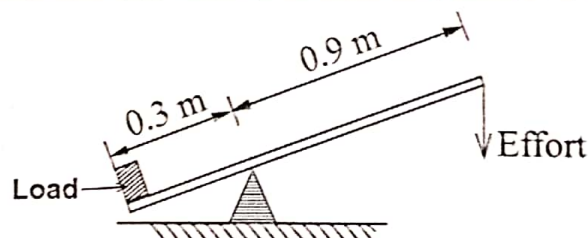


Fig. 3

Find the velocity ratio of the crowbar.

- A. 3.00.
- B. 1.20.
- C. 0.60.
- D. 0.27.

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13. An insect can walk on the surface of water without sinking because

- A. of capillary attraction on the water surface.
- B. it is less dense than water.
- C. of surface tension.
- D. of adhesion force.

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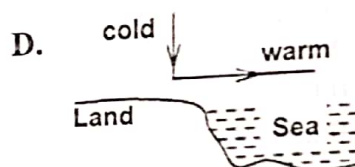
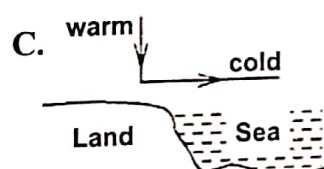
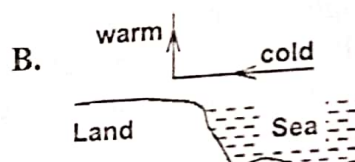
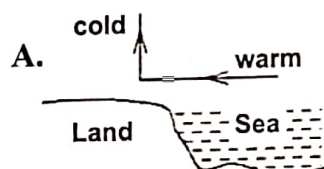
14. A pin exerts a pressure of 50 Nm^{-2} on a surface. If the force on the pin is 5 N , find the area of contact between the pin and the surface.
- A. $1.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^2$.
B. $1.0 \times 10^{-1} \text{ m}^2$.
C. $1.0 \times 10^1 \text{ m}^2$.
D. $2.5 \times 10^2 \text{ m}^2$.
15. Which of the following is a set of electromagnetic waves only?
- A. X - rays, ultraviolet, microwaves, sound waves.
B. Light, X-rays, radio waves, ultraviolet.
C. Microwaves, green light, Gamma rays, sound waves.
D. X-rays, Gamma-rays, water ripples, string waves.
16. A mass stretches a spring from a length of 2.0 cm to 5.0 cm . If the spring constant is 1000 Nm^{-1} , find the mass.
- A. 25.0 kg .
B. 5.0 kg .
C. 3.0 kg .
D. 2.0 kg .
17. Which of the following statements is correct about the resultant acceleration of a body when acted upon by a force?
- (i) It is independent of the mass of the body.
(ii) The greater the force the greater the acceleration.
(iii) The acceleration takes place in the direction of the resultant force.
- A. (i) only.
B. (ii) only.
C. (i) and (ii) only.
D. (ii) and (iii) only.
18. The successive crests as seen in a ripple tank with a vibrator of frequency 10 Hz are 0.05 m apart. Find the speed of the water.
- A. $5.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ ms}^{-1}$.
B. $5.0 \times 10^{-1} \text{ ms}^{-1}$.
C. $2.0 \times 10^0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$.
D. $2.0 \times 10^2 \text{ ms}^{-1}$.
19. Which one of the following statements is true about an accumulator?
- A. When fully charged, its e.m.f is 1.25 V .
B. When fully charged, its relative density is 2.2 kgm^{-3} .
C. Should be charged regularly using a specified current.
D. Its positive terminal is lead and the negative terminal is lead(IV) oxide.

20. Find the volume of water displaced when a solid of mass 1.75 kg and density 8750 kgm^{-3} is immersed in it.

A. $2.00 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3$.
 B. $5.00 \times 10^3 \text{ m}^3$.
 C. $1.53 \times 10^3 \text{ m}^3$.
 D. $1.53 \times 10^4 \text{ m}^3$.



21. Which one of the following diagrams completes the convection of air during the day?



22. A flute produces musical notes of better quality than a whistle. This is because a flute produces

A. fundamental note only.
 B. notes of bigger amplitude.
 C. notes of higher frequencies.
 D. more notes of different frequencies simultaneously.



23. Figure 4 shows a steel bar wound with copper wires.

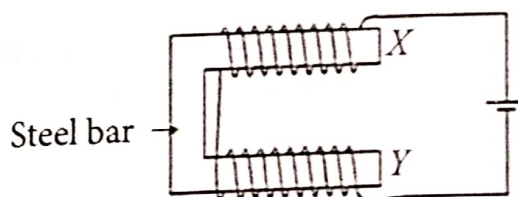


Fig. 4

The poles at X and Y are

	X	Y
A.	North	North.
B.	North	South.
C.	South	North.
D.	South	South.



24. Which one of the following nuclides is an isotope of the nuclide ${}^{36}_{19}\text{X}$?

A. ${}^{35}_{18}\text{W}$.

B. ${}^{35}_{19}\text{Z}$.

C. ${}^{36}_{17}\text{R}$.

D. ${}^{36}_{18}\text{Y}$.

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25. A material is said to be ductile because it

- (i) undergoes only elastic deformation.
- (ii) undergoes both elastic and plastic deformation.
- (ii) easily breaks down when a force is applied.

A. (ii) only.

B. (i) and (ii) only.

C. (i) and (iii) only.

D. (ii) and (iii) only.

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26. An object of height 2 cm placed 10 cm in front of a convex lens forms an image 30 cm from the lens. Find the height of the image.

A. 1.5 cm.

B. 3.0 cm.

C. 5.0 cm.

D. 6.0 cm.

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27. Three objects X , Y and Z are metal spheres. If X experiences a force of attraction from both Y and Z , which one of the following set of charges is correct?

	X	Y	Z
A.	Positive	Positive	Negative.
B.	Negative	Negative	Positive.
C.	Positive	Negative	Positive.
D.	Negative	Positive	Positive.

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28. Figure 5 shows a velocity-time graph.

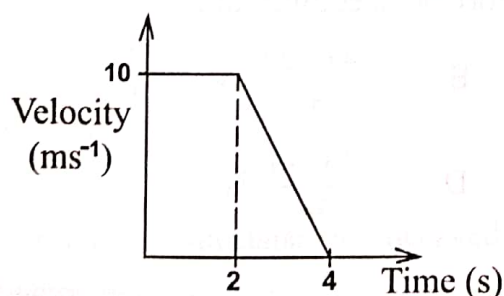


Fig. 5

Find the distance covered.

A. 10 m.

B. 20 m.

C. 30 m.

D. 40 m.

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29. Which one of the following is changed in order to change the number of electrons hitting the screen of a cathode ray oscilloscope?

A. Anode potential. B. Grid potential.
C. p.d between X-plates. D. p.d between Y-plates.

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30. Figure 6 shows two identical cells of total internal resistance of 2.0Ω , connected to the ends of 2.5Ω resistor.

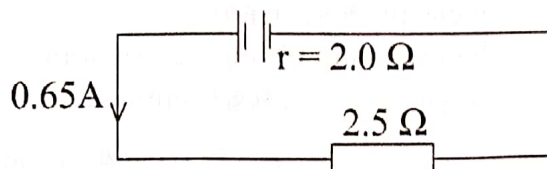


Fig. 6

If the current in the circuit is 0.65 A , find the e.m.f of each cell.

A. $\left[\frac{0.65(2+2.5)}{2} \right] \text{ V.}$ B. $\left[\frac{2(2+2.5)}{0.65} \right] \text{ V.}$
C. $\left[\frac{0.65 \times 2}{(2+2.5)} \right] \text{ V.}$ D. $\left[\frac{2+2.5}{0.65 \times 2} \right] \text{ V.}$

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31. Figure 7 shows a beam of length 50 cm and negligible weight pivoted at the zero - mark.

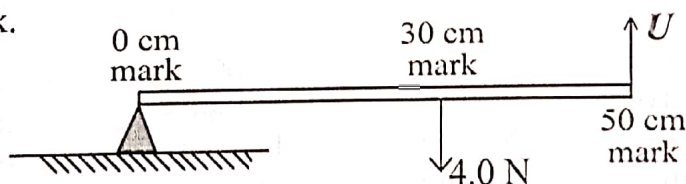


Fig. 7

If a force of 4.0 N is applied at the 30 cm mark, determine the upward force, U , required to keep the beam in horizontal equilibrium.

A. $\left(\frac{4.0 \times 30}{50} \right) \text{ N.}$ B. $\left(\frac{4.0 \times 20}{50} \right) \text{ N.}$
C. $\left(\frac{4.0 \times 50}{30} \right) \text{ N.}$ D. $\left(\frac{30 \times 50}{4.0} \right) \text{ N.}$

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32. Which of the following statement(s) is/are true about an electromagnet?

(i) It acts as a magnet only when current is in the coil.
(ii) It acquires both the magnetic field of the iron and solenoid when current is on.
(iii) It becomes a stronger magnet when current is increased.

A. (i) only. B. (i) and (ii) only.
C. (ii) and (iii) only. D. (i), (ii) and (iii).

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33. An engine gives a driving force of 500 N to a car. If the car accelerates uniformly at a rate of 5 ms^{-2} . Find the mass of the car.

- A. $\left(\frac{5}{500}\right) \text{ kg.}$ B. $\left(\frac{500}{5 \times 10}\right) \text{ kg.}$
C. $\left(\frac{500}{5}\right) \text{ kg.}$ D. $(500 \times 5) \text{ kg.}$

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34. Which of the following statements explain(s) what happens when the frequency of a wave is halved at constant speed?

- (i) The amplitude of the wave is halved.
(ii) The period of the wave is doubled.
(iii) The wave length remains constant.

- A. (ii) only.
B. (i) and (ii) only.
C. (i) and (iii) only.
D. (ii) and (iii) only.

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35. A car engine uses a force of 5,000 N to move the car with a steady speed of 10.0 ms^{-1} . Find the power developed in the engine.

- A. 50,000 kW.
B. 500 kW.
C. 50 kW.
D. 5 kW.

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36. A ray of light is incident on a glass block at an angle of 55° to the normal. If the refractive index of the glass is 1.49, find the angle of refraction.

- A. 22.6° .
B. 33.4° .
C. 35.0° .
D. 58.7° .

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37. A radioactive substance has decayed to $\frac{1}{32}$ of its original mass after 50 days. Find its half-life.

- A. 16.7 days.
B. 12.5 days.
C. 10.0 days.
D. 3.1 days.

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38. Figure 8 shows a bar magnet rotated near a coil.

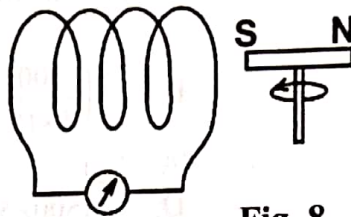
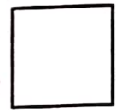


Fig. 8

Which of the following changes will increase the size of the induced e.m.f?

- (i) Moving the magnet away from the coil.
- (ii) Using a coil with more turns.
- (iii) Rotating the magnet in same direction with greater speed.

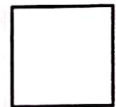
- A. (i), (ii) and (iii).
- B. (ii) and (iii) only.
- C. (i) and (iii) only.
- D. (i) and (ii) only.



39. Which of the following is true about the appearance of objects in white light?

- (i) Surfaces which reflect all colours of light appear white.
- (ii) Surfaces which absorb all colours and reflect red, will appear red.
- (iii) Black surfaces appear black because they reflect all colours.

- A. (i) only.
- B. (i) and (iii) only.
- C. (i) and (ii) only.
- D. (ii) and (iii) only.



40. The cost of electrical energy is UGX 600 per unit. Find the cost of using an electrical heater rating 1.5 kW for a whole day.

- A. UGX $1.5 \times 24 \times 600$.
- B. UGX $1.5 \times 12 \times 600$.
- C. UGX $\frac{600}{1.5 \times 24}$.
- D. UGX $\frac{600}{1.5 \times 12}$.



SECTION B

Answer **all** questions in this section.

All working must be shown clearly in the spaces provided.

41. (a) The density of a given oil is 900 kgm^{-3} . What does this statement mean? (01 mark)

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- (b) An ordinary cup has a volume of 500 cm^3 . It weighs 80 g when empty and 480 g when filled with kerosene.

Find the;

- (i) mass of kerosene in the cup. (01 mark)

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- (ii) density of kerosene in kgm^{-3} . (02 marks)

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42. (a) What is meant by **heat conduction**? (01 mark)

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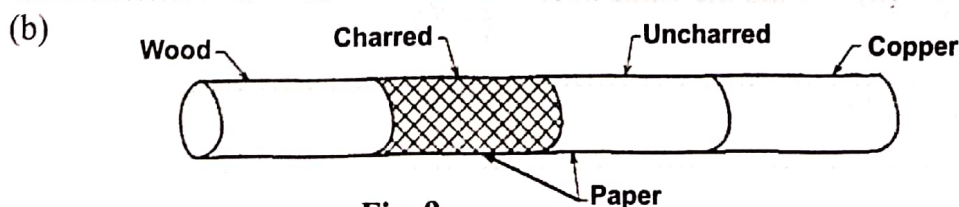


Fig. 9

A composite rod is made by joining a wooden rod with a copper rod. A piece of paper is wrapped round the composite rod as shown in figure 9 and passed through a flame several times. Explain why the paper over wood charred before that over copper. (03 marks)

43. (a) What is meant by the terms **atomic number** and **mass number** of an atom? (02 marks)

- (b) An element ${}_R^6X$ is bombarded with a neutron to produce a nuclide ${}_1^3Y$ and an alpha particle.

- (i) Write an equation for the reaction. (01 mark)

- (ii) Find the value of R . (01 mark)

44. (a) (i) What is meant by **rectilinear propagation of light**? (01 mark)

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(ii) State **one** effect of rectilinear propagation of light. (01 mark)

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(b) An object 15 mm high is placed at a distance of 60 mm from a pin hole.
Calculate the distance of the image from the pin hole if the height of
the image is 5 mm. (02 marks)

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45. (a) What is a **brittle material**? (01 mark)

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(b) State **two** examples of brittle materials. (01 mark)

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(c) The force constant of a wire is 50 Nm^{-1} . Find the force that causes an
extension of 5 cm in the wire. (02 marks)

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46. (a) State **one** factor that affects electrical resistance of a wire. (01 mark)

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- (b) Figure 10 shows a complete circuit consisting of a cell of e.m.f 2 V, internal resistance $0.2\ \Omega$, meters P and Q .

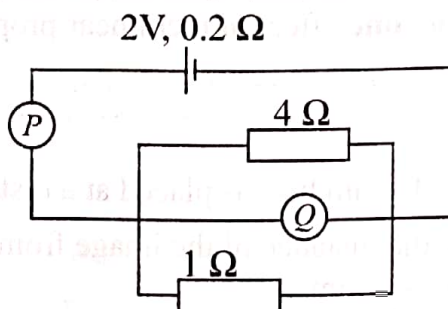


Fig. 10

- (i) Name meter Q . (01 mark)

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- (ii) Find the reading of metre P . (02 marks)

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47. (a) (i) Define **force** as applied to physics. (01 mark)

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- (ii) State **two** effects of a force on a body. (01 mark)

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- (b) A box of mass 20 kg rests on a flat horizontal floor. If the density of air is negligible,
- (i) draw a diagram showing the forces acting on the box. (01 mark)

- (ii) find the reaction of the floor on the box. (01 mark)

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48. (a) (i) Define **reverberation** as applied to sound waves. (01 mark)

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- (ii) State **one** importance of reverberation. (01 mark)

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- (b) Ultra-sonic waves are sent vertically down the bottom of a sea and the echo is received after 8.4 s. Calculate the depth of the sea at the point, given that the velocity of sound in water is $1,500 \text{ ms}^{-1}$. (02 marks)

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49. (a) Identify from the following, **two** vector quantities: momentum, energy, speed and velocity. (01 mark)

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- (b) A trolley P of mass 0.5 kg moves with a velocity of 12 ms^{-1} and collides with another stationary trolley Q of mass 1.5 kg. After collision, P comes to rest and Q moves with a constant velocity V .

- (i) What type of collision is this, if the kinetic energy is conserved? (01 mark)

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(ii) Find the value of V . (02 marks)

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50. (a) What is a **soft magnetic material**? (01 mark)

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(b) Figure 11, shows an arrangement of a lamp, soft iron ball attached to a spring, two cells A and B , and a coil wound round a soft iron bar.

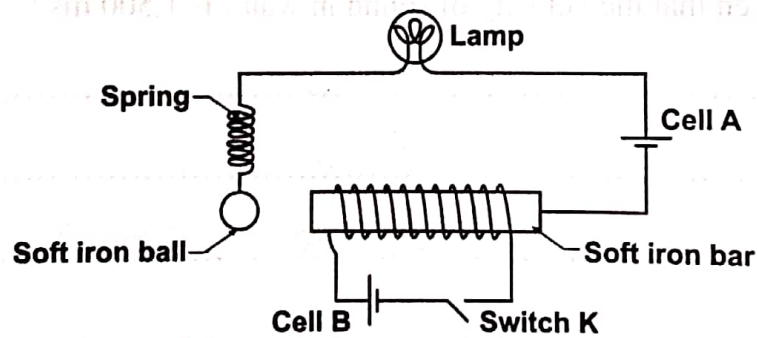


Fig. 11

Explain what would be observed when switch K is closed. (02 marks)

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(c) State **one** application of electromagnets. (01 mark)

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