

Speed of light =  $3.0 \times 10^8$  m/s

$$v = f\lambda$$

$$T = \frac{1}{f}$$

$$E = hf$$

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## LO2 - Worksheet - Waves and Wave Equation (Light Waves)

### Part 1 - Light Waves (Simple Calculations)

1984-1989

Q446: The period of vibration for a  $4.0 \times 10^{-7}$  m light source is

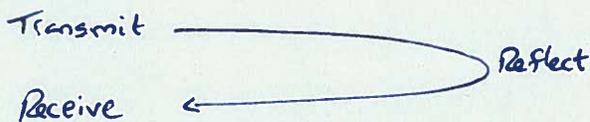
- a.  $1.3 \times 10^{-15}$  s
- b.  $3.0 \times 10^{-8}$  s
- c.  $1.2 \times 10^2$  s
- d.  $7.5 \times 10^{14}$  s

$$v = f\lambda$$
$$3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} = f(4.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m})$$
$$f = 7.5 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{7.5 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}} = 1.3 \times 10^{-15} \text{ s}$$

Q449: A radar beam reflected off a distant object takes  $2.0 \times 10^{-3}$  s from transmission to reception. The distance between the transmitter and the object is

- a.  $3.0 \times 10^5$  m
- b.  $6.0 \times 10^5$  m
- c.  $1.5 \times 10^{11}$  m
- d.  $6.7 \times 10^{11}$  m



$$v = \frac{d}{t}$$

$$3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} = \frac{d}{2.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}}$$

$$d = 6.0 \times 10^5 \text{ m for round trip.}$$

Distance between objects is half this, so  $3.0 \times 10^5$  m.

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$$T = \frac{1}{f}$$

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**Q451:** A laser beam is transmitted to a satellite and back. If the time of travel there and back is  $1.23 \times 10^{-2}$  seconds, the distance between the satellite and the surface of the Earth is

- a.  $7.39 \times 10^7$  m
- b.  $3.69 \times 10^6$  m
- c.  $1.85 \times 10^6$  m
- d.  $1.20 \times 10^6$  m

$$v = \frac{d}{t}$$

$$3.0 \times 10^8 = \frac{d}{1.23 \times 10^{-2}}$$

$$d = 3.69 \times 10^6 \text{ m for round trip.}$$

Distance between them is half this, so  $1.85 \times 10^6$  m.

**Q452:** A period of vibration for light of wavelength  $5.0 \times 10^{-7}$  m is

- a.  $6.0 \times 10^{14}$  s
- b.  $2.0 \times 10^6$  s
- c.  $2.0 \times 10^{-15}$  s
- d.  $1.7 \times 10^{-15}$  s

$$v = f\lambda$$

$$3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} = f(5.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m})$$

$$f = 6.0 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{6.0 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}} = 1.6 \times 10^{-15} \text{ s}$$

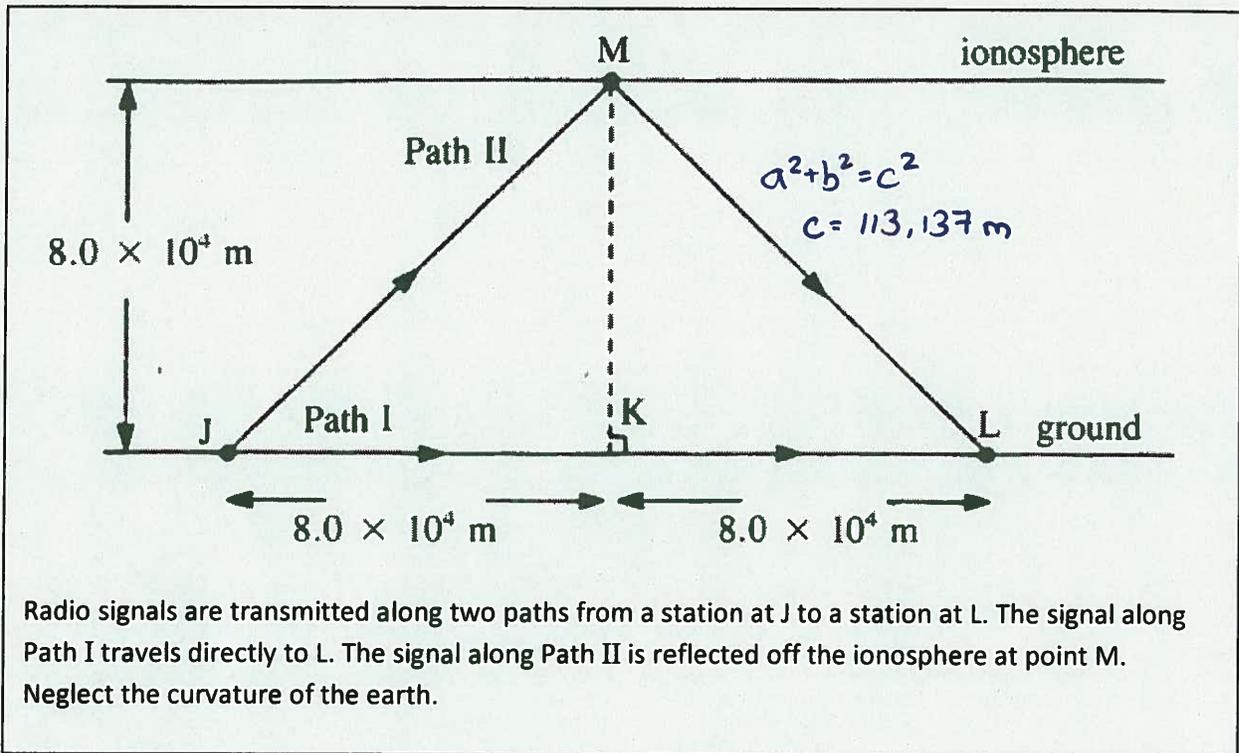
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$v = f\lambda$

$T = \frac{1}{f}$

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Use the following information to answer Q456:



Radio signals are transmitted along two paths from a station at J to a station at L. The signal along Path I travels directly to L. The signal along Path II is reflected off the ionosphere at point M. Neglect the curvature of the earth.

Q456: The time delay between the two signals is

- a.  $1.1 \times 10^{-4}$  s
- b.  $2.2 \times 10^{-4}$  s**
- c.  $5.3 \times 10^{-4}$  s
- d.  $7.5 \times 10^{-4}$  s

Straight Path

$v = 3.0 \times 10^8$  m/s  
 $d = 16.0 \times 10^4$  m  
 $t = ?$

$v = \frac{d}{t}$  or  $t = \frac{d}{v}$

$t = \frac{16.0 \times 10^4}{3.0 \times 10^8}$

$t = 5.33 \times 10^{-4}$  s

Bouncy Path

$v = 3.0 \times 10^8$  m/s  
 $d = 2.26274 \times 10^5$  m  
 $t = ?$

$t = \frac{d}{v}$

$t = \frac{2.26274 \times 10^5}{3.0 \times 10^8}$

$t = 7.54 \times 10^{-4}$  s

$\Delta t = 2.21 \times 10^{-4}$  s

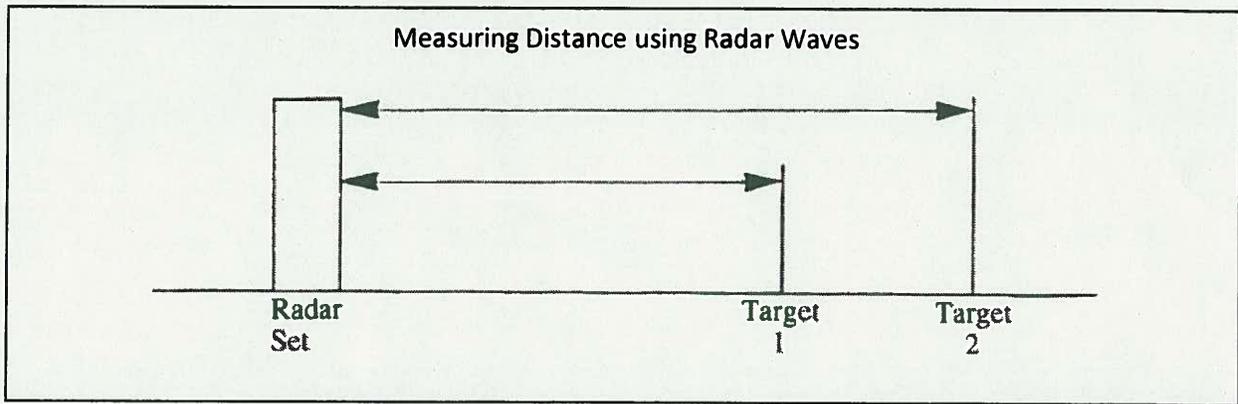
Speed of light =  $3.0 \times 10^8$  m/s

$v = f\lambda$

$T = \frac{1}{f}$

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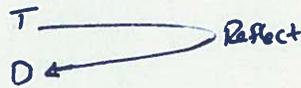
Use the following information to answer Q457:



**Q457:** Two targets are at a distance of  $1.00 \times 10^3$  m and  $1.60 \times 10^3$  m east of a radar set. A single pulse is transmitted by the radar set and is reflected from both targets. What is the difference between the times when the two reflected pulses are detected back at the radar set?

- a.  $2.0 \times 10^{-6}$  s
- b.**  $4.0 \times 10^{-6}$  s
- c.  $6.7 \times 10^{-6}$  s
- d.  $1.1 \times 10^{-5}$  s

Target 1



$v = 3.0 \times 10^8$  m/s

$d = 2.0 \times 10^3$  m

$v = \frac{d}{t}$  or  $t = \frac{d}{v}$

$t = \frac{2.0 \times 10^3 \text{ m}}{3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}$

$t = 6.6 \times 10^{-6}$  s

Target 2



$v = 3.0 \times 10^8$  m/s

$d = 3.2 \times 10^3$  m

$t = \frac{d}{v}$

$t = \frac{3.2 \times 10^3 \text{ m}}{3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}$

$t = 1.06 \times 10^{-5}$  s

$\Delta t = 4.0 \times 10^{-6}$  s

Speed of light =  $3.0 \times 10^8$  m/s

$$v = f\lambda$$

$$T = \frac{1}{f}$$

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**Q458:** Blue light, with a wavelength in vacuum of  $4.8 \times 10^{-7}$  m, has a period of vibration of

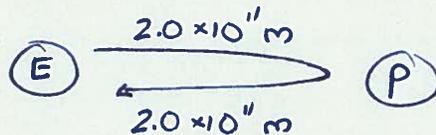
- a.  $1.6 \times 10^{-15}$  s
- b.  $6.9 \times 10^{-3}$  s
- c.  $1.4 \times 10^2$  s
- d.  $6.3 \times 10^{14}$  s

$$v = f\lambda$$
$$3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} = f(4.8 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m})$$
$$f = 6.25 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{6.25 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}} = 1.60 \times 10^{-15} \text{ s}$$

**Q462:** If the distance from Earth to a planet is  $2.0 \times 10^{11}$  m, a radar signal can travel to that planet and return to Earth in

- a. 6.7 min
- b. 11 min
- c. 13 min
- d. 22 min



$$v = 3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$
$$d = 4.0 \times 10^{11} \text{ m for round trip.}$$
$$t = ?$$

$$v = \frac{d}{t} \quad \text{or} \quad t = \frac{d}{v} = \frac{4.0 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}}{3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}} = 1333.\bar{3} \text{ s}$$

$$\frac{1333.\bar{3} \text{ s}}{1} \times \frac{1 \text{ min}}{60 \text{ sec}} = 22 \text{ min}$$

Speed of light =  $3.0 \times 10^8$  m/s

$$v = f\lambda$$

$$T = \frac{1}{f}$$

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**Q463:** The wavelength of a particular red light in a vacuum is  $6.3 \times 10^{-7}$  m. The period of the red light is

- a.  $4.8 \times 10^{-14}$  s
- b.  $1.6 \times 10^6$  s
- c.  $1.9 \times 10^2$  s
- d.  $2.1 \times 10^{-15}$  s

$$v = f\lambda$$
$$3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} = f(6.3 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m})$$
$$f = 4.7619 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{4.7619 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}} = 2.10 \times 10^{-15} \text{ s}$$

**Q464:** An electromagnetic radiation of wavelength  $2.7 \times 10^{-14}$  m has a period of

- a.  $9.0 \times 10^{-23}$  s
- b.  $4.5 \times 10^{-13}$  s
- c.  $3.7 \times 10^{13}$  s
- d.  $1.1 \times 10^{22}$  s

$$v = f\lambda$$
$$3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} = f(2.7 \times 10^{-14} \text{ m})$$
$$f = 1.1 \times 10^{22} \text{ Hz}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{1.1 \times 10^{22} \text{ Hz}} = 9.0 \times 10^{-23} \text{ s}$$

Speed of light =  $3.0 \times 10^8$  m/s

$$v = f\lambda$$

$$T = \frac{1}{f}$$

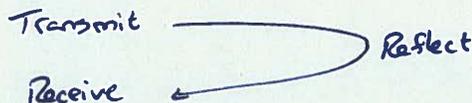
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Use the following information to answer Q472:

A Japanese car manufacturer is designing an automatic braking system that detects objects in a car's path. The system involves a detector that receives reflected laser signals.

**Q472:** A signal sent by the laser is reflected and returned to the detector  $0.15 \mu\text{s}$  after its transmission. The distance from the car to the detected object is

- a. 15 m
- b. 23 m
- c. 42 m
- d. 45 m



$$v = 3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$
$$d = ?$$
$$t = 0.15 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s}$$

$$v = \frac{d}{t}$$

$$3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} = \frac{d}{0.15 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s}}$$

$d = 45 \text{ m}$  for round trip.

Car is half that distance away,  
so 22.5 m.

**Q473:** An electromagnetic wave has a frequency of  $2.00 \times 10^{24}$  Hz. The speed of the wave in a vacuum, expressed in scientific notation, is  $b \times 10^w$  m/s. The value of  $b$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

(Record your **three digit** answer in the Numerical Response boxes below)

Speed of light is always  $3.0 \times 10^8$  m/s

in a vacuum or in air.

(It does slow down in water, glass, etc).

$$\text{Speed of light} = 3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v = f\lambda$$

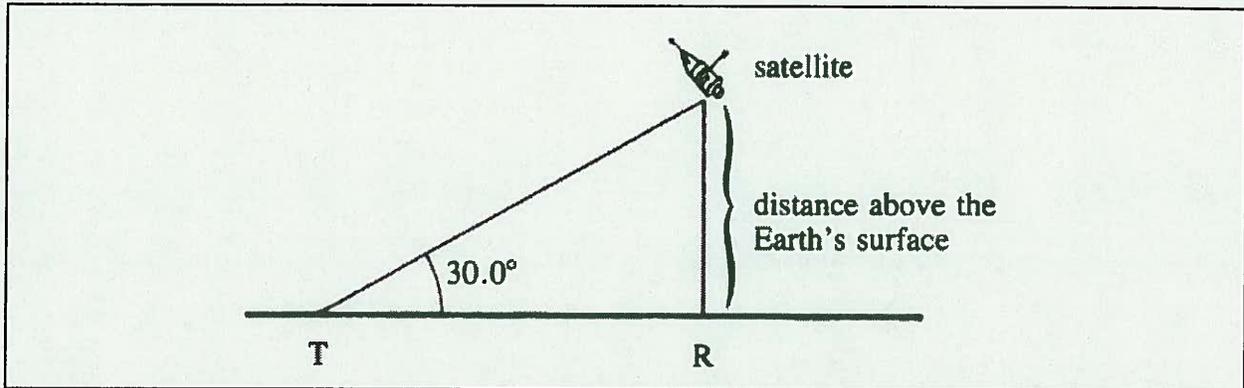
$$T = \frac{1}{f}$$

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## Part 2 - Light Waves (Calculations with Trigonometry)

1984-1989

Use the following information to answer Q485:



**Q485:** Microwave radiation is reflected off a satellite, taking  $3.9 \times 10^{-3}$  s between its transmission from point T and its reception at point T. If the angle of transmission is  $30.0^\circ$ , and the distance between T and R is  $5.0 \times 10^5$  m, how far above the surface of the Earth is the satellite? Neglect curvature of the earth.

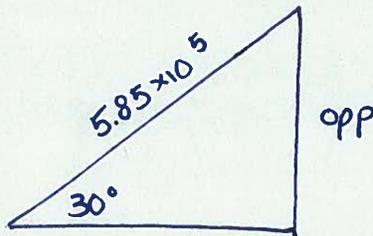
- a.  $9.8 \times 10^5$  m
- b.  $5.9 \times 10^5$  m
- c.  $3.9 \times 10^5$  m
- d.  $2.9 \times 10^5$  m

$$v = \frac{d}{t}$$

$$3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} = \frac{d}{3.9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}}$$

$$d = 1.17 \times 10^6 \text{ m for round trip}$$

$$\text{So distance from T to satellite is } 5.85 \times 10^5 \text{ m.}$$



$$\sin \theta = \frac{o}{h}$$

$$\sin 30 = \frac{\text{opp}}{5.85 \times 10^5}$$

$$\text{opp} = 2.925 \times 10^5 \text{ m}$$

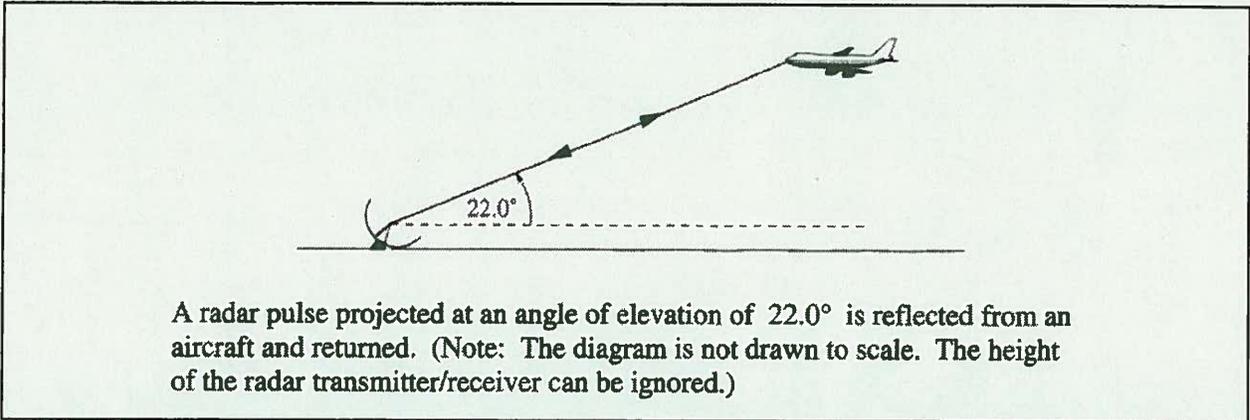
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$$T = \frac{1}{f}$$

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Use the following information to answer Q487:



**Q487:** If the pulse takes  $1.28 \times 10^{-4}$  s to make the round trip, then the vertical height of the aircraft is \_\_\_\_\_ km.

(Record your **three digit** answer in the Numerical Response boxes below)

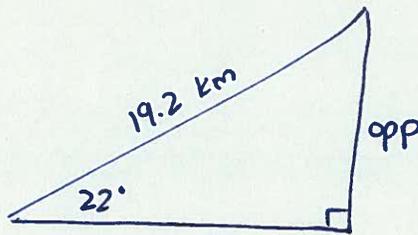
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$$v = \frac{d}{t}$$

$$3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} = \frac{d}{1.28 \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}}$$

$d = 38,400$  m for round trip.

So diagonal distance is  $19,200$  m or  $19.2$  km.



$$\sin \theta = \frac{o}{h}$$

$$\sin 22 = \frac{\text{opp}}{19.2}$$

$$\text{opp} = 7.19244 \dots \text{ km}$$

$$\text{opp} \approx 7.19 \text{ km}$$

Speed of light =  $3.0 \times 10^8$  m/s

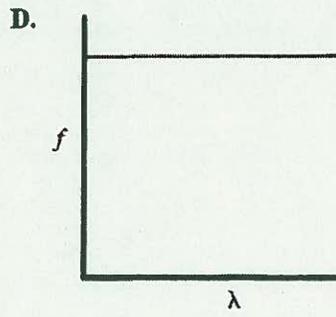
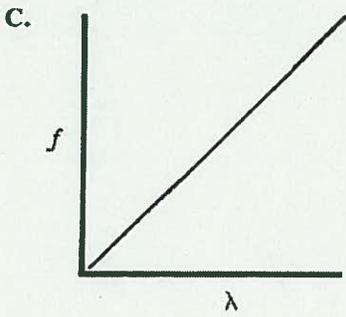
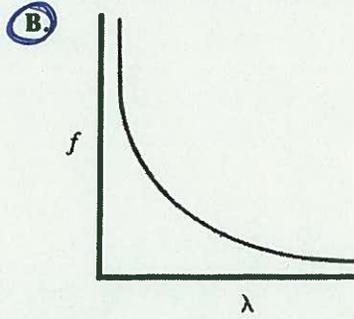
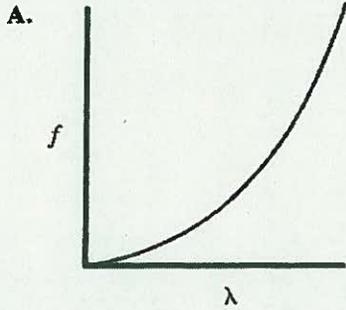
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Part 3 - Light Waves

~~Q489~~ (Graphs)

**Q489:** Of the following graphs showing the relationship of frequency to wavelength, the one that is true for ALL forms of light is

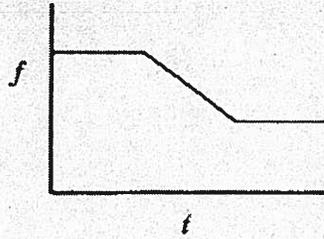


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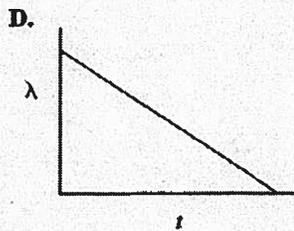
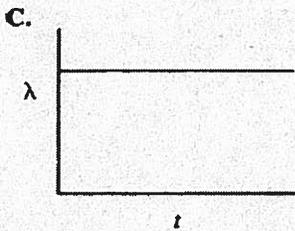
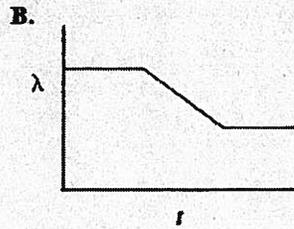
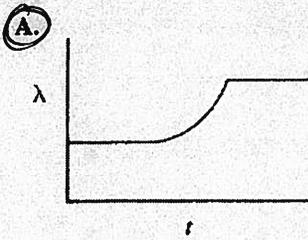
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**Q491:** If the frequency-time graph for a particular electromagnetic wave generator is



Then the corresponding wavelength-time graph is



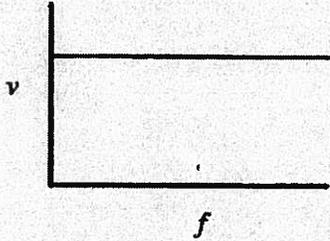
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$$v = f\lambda$$

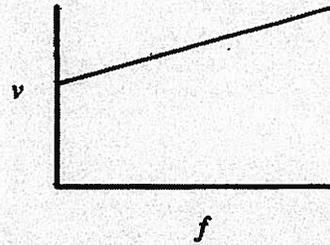
$$T = \frac{1}{f}$$

Q492: The graph that relates velocity in a vacuum to frequency for electromagnetic radiation is

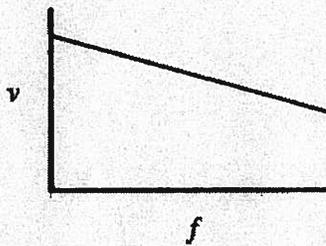
**A.**



**B.**



**C.**



**D.**

