

Test 4A

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- 4.1A. A basic postulate of Einstein's theory of relativity is:
- A. moving clocks run more slowly than when they are at rest
 - B. moving rods are shorter than when they are at rest
 - C. light has both wave and particle properties
 - D. the laws of physics must be the same for observers moving with uniform velocity relative to each other
 - E. everything is relative
- 4.2A. A consequence of Einstein's theory of relativity is::
- A. moving clocks run more slowly than when they are at rest
 - B. moving rods are longer than when they are at rest
 - C. light has both wave and particle properties
 - D. the laws of physics appear the same for all observers moving with uniform velocity relative to each other
 - E. everything is relative
- 4.3A. The spaceship U.S.S. Enterprise, traveling through the galaxy, sends out a smaller explorer craft that travels to a nearby planet and signals its findings back. The proper time for the trip to the planet is measured by clocks:
- A. on board of the Enterprise
 - B. on board of the explorer craft
 - C. on Earth
 - D. at the center of the galaxy
 - E. none of the above
- 4.4A. As we watch, a spaceship passes us in time Δt . The crew of the spaceship measures the passage time and finds it to be $\Delta t'$. Which of the following statements is true?
- A. Δt is the proper time for the passage and it is smaller than $\Delta t'$
 - B. Δt is the proper time for the passage and it is greater than $\Delta t'$
 - C. $\Delta t'$ is the proper time for the passage and it is smaller than Δt
 - D. $\Delta t'$ is the proper time for the passage and it is greater than Δt
 - E. None of the above statements are true
- 4.5A. Two events occur on the x axis separated in time by Δt and in the space by Δx . A reference frame, traveling at less than the speed of light, in which the two events occur at the same coordinate:
- A. exist no matter what the values of Δx and Δt
 - B. exist only if $\Delta x / \Delta t < c$
 - C. exist only if $\Delta x / \Delta t > c$
 - D. exist only if $\Delta x / \Delta t = c$
 - E. does not exist under any condition
- 4.6A. Two events occur 100 m apart with an intervening time interval of $0.37 \mu\text{s}$. The speed of clock that measures the proper time between the events is:
- A. 0
 - B. $0.45c$
 - C. $0.56c$

4.15A If the mass of a particle is zero its speed must be:

- A) c
- B) infinite
- C) 0
- D) any speed less than c
- E) any speed greater than c

4.19A An electron ($m = 9.11 \times 10^{-31}$ kg, $q = 1.60 \times 10^{-19}$ C) travels at $0.95c$ around a circular orbit perpendicular to a uniform 1.8-T magnetic field. The radius of its orbit is:

- A) 0.28 mm
- B) 0.90 mm
- C) 1.1 mm
- D) 2.9 mm
- E) 4.7 mm

4.20A According to the theory of relativity:

- A) all forms of energy have mass-like properties
- B) moving particles lose mass
- C) momentum is not conserved in high speed collisions
- D) a rod moving rapidly sideways is shorter along its length
- E) a rod moving rapidly sideways is longer along its length

4.21A Light from some stars shows an apparent change in frequency because of:

- A) interference
- B) refraction by layers of air
- C) diffraction
- D) reflection
- E) relative motion

4.22 A. An electron is moving at $0.6c$. If we calculate its kinetic energy using $(1/2)mv^2$, we get a result that is:

- A. just right
- B. just half enough
- C. twice the correct value
- D. about 1% too low
- E. about 28% too low

4.23 A. An electron ($m = 9.11 \times 10^{-31}$ kg) has a speed of $0.95c$. The magnitude of its momentum is:

- A. 2.6×10^{-22} kg · m/s
- B. 2.9×10^{-22} kg · m/s
- C. 6.0×10^{-22} kg · m/s
- D. 8.3×10^{-22} kg · m/s
- E. 8.8×10^{-22} kg · m/s