

## Potential Difference

- 1) How much work is needed to move a  $8.6 \mu\text{C}$  charge from ground point to a point whose potential is  $75 \text{ V}$ ?

$$W = (8.6 \times 10^{-6})(75) = 6.45 \times 10^{-4} \text{ J}$$

- 2) How much work is needed to move a proton from a place where its potential is  $+100 \text{ V}$  to a place where it is  $-50 \text{ V}$ ?

$$W = (1.602 \times 10^{-19})(150) = 2.4 \times 10^{-17} \text{ J}$$

- 3) How much energy is lost as an electron falls through a potential difference of  $21000 \text{ V}$  in a TV tube?

$$PE = (21000)(1.602 \times 10^{-19}) = 3.36 \times 10^{-15} \text{ J}$$

- 4) What amount of energy does a toaster use to make toast if it has  $800 \text{ C}$  of charge passing through it with a potential difference of  $120 \text{ V}$ ?

$$PE = 800(120) = 96000 \text{ J}$$

- 5) What is the potential difference across a refrigerator if  $75 \text{ C}$  of charge transfers  $9000 \text{ J}$  of energy to the compressor?

$$9000 = 75 V \quad V = 120 V$$

- 6) A flash of lightning transfers  $1.5 \times 10^9 \text{ J}$  of electric energy through a potential difference of  $5.0 \times 10^7 \text{ V}$  between a cloud and the ground. How much charge is transferred by the bolt?

$$1.5 \times 10^9 = (5.0 \times 10^7) q \quad q = 30 \text{ C}$$

- 7) If a charge of  $0.30 \text{ C}$  moves from one point to another in a conductor and, in doing so, releases  $5.4 \text{ J}$  of electric energy, what is the potential difference between the two points?

$$5.4 = (0.30) V \quad V = 18 \text{ V}$$

- 8) If two points in a conductor have the same potential, how much work must be done to move an electron from one plate to the other?

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- 9) What is the potential difference between two points if  $1 \text{ kJ}$  of work is required to move  $1 \text{ C}$  of charge between them?

$$1000 = 1 V \quad V = 1000 V$$

- 10) What is the energy of an electron accelerated through a potential difference of  $1.0 \text{ MV}$ ?

$$PE = (1.602 \times 10^{-19})(1.0 \times 10^6) = 1.6 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J}$$

- 11) What is the potential difference between two points when a charge of  $80 \text{ C}$  has  $400 \text{ J}$  of energy supplied to it as it moves between the points?

$$400 = 80 V \quad V = 5 V$$