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Good

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Very Good

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# Exploration of Conceptual Understanding of Science Teachers and Students: Gap Conception of Current, Voltage in Indonesia

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## Abstract

In the industrial revolution 4.0 era of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, understanding the concepts of current, voltage is important for science students and teachers. Analyze gap in the conception of current, electrical voltage between students, and teachers of Junior high school, in Indonesia. A sample of 720 students and 527 teachers were selected by purposive sampling. Diagnostic tests of currents, electrical voltages, 30 items of valid and reliable questions. The results show that even with a simple circuit (one or two lamps and a battery) there is still a gap in the conception of current, voltage, if the circuit is a little more complicated, there will be many conception gaps, i.e.: (1) consumption model, (2) local reasening, (3) voltage source is seen as a fixed current source rather than a fixed voltage source, (4) voltage difference, (5) series and parallel terms, (6) electron-electron source, (7) power consumption, (8) guess answer choices, (9) the explanation does not match the correct choice.

**Keywords:** current, electrical, local reasening, consumption model, technical vocational education and training, voltage.

## INTRODUCTION

In the era of the industrial revolution 4.0 of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, understanding current and voltage is very important for students and teachers to master electrical energy sources that are developing very quickly. Shiva, teachers, and physicists interpret physics concepts in an idiosyncratic way. For example, the concept of atoms in a physicist's head differs only slightly from one another, but the image of an atom in a student's, teacher's head can be very different from one another. Atom is one of the physics concepts agreed upon by many physicists. The atomic concept is a person's interpretation of the atomic concept, how the person imagines the atom. So the concept is a general sense, while the

concept can be different for each person. If a person's conception deviates a lot from what is meant by scientists, then a conception gap occurs (Turgut, 2011; Kuczmam, 2017; Nugraha et al., 2018).

Several research results have found that often errors are not due to mathematical errors alone, but often there is a clear and consistent pattern of student error answers, hence the term "conception gap" (Yolanda, 2017; Suprpto, 2020; Popat, 2021; Ahmad et al., 2021; Adhim et al., 2021; Ma'rufah et al., 2022). For example, Osborne, (2006); Shipstone, (2007), interviewed elementary school students in the United States who had never received a lesson in electricity. It turns out that they can have a conception gap regarding current, electric voltage. There are four models regarding current, voltage, i.e: current from only one pole that can light a lamp, calccing currents, consumption model, science model. Kapartzianis & Jeanne, 2014; Hidayati et al., 2014; Arfiyanti, et al., (2015); Sukarsa et al., 2015; McRorie & McKeown, 2017; Villanueva et al., 2021, found that there was a gap in the conception of physics in high school students.

One way to overcome the conception gap is to do remediation, related to this, many researchers suggest that students who experience a conception gap need to be remedied. (Firmansyah & Wulandari, 2016; Yolanda, 2017; Affriyenni, 2020; Fokides & Papoutsis, 2020; Busyairi et al., 2021; Ahmad et al., 2021). The conception gap regarding direct electric current are second only to those concerning mechanics (Zulvita, 2017; Suprpto, 2020).

Conception of students and teachers is always different from the conception of physicists. Conceptions of physicists will generally be more sophisticated, more complex, more complicated, involving more relationships between concepts than the conceptions of students and teachers. If the conceptions of students and teachers are the same as the simplified conceptions of physicists, the conceptions of students and teachers cannot be said to be wrong. But if the conceptions of students and teachers conflict with the conceptions of physicists, we use the term "Conceptual Gap". Usually, the conception gap involves students' and teachers' mistakes in understanding the relationship between concepts. For example, errors in the relationship between current and voltage, between series and parallel circuits (Setyani et al., 2017; Widodo et al., 2018; Stolzenberger et al., 2022; Ramli et al., 2022).

Various sources of gap concption are derived from students' experiences in everyday life, common misunderstandings across different cultures and populations, instructional practices, textbooks and over-reliance on colloquial language should be considered as potential source of misunderstanding (Atasoy, 2013; Urban ,2017; Halim & Musdar, 2020; Zainuddin, Mujakir, Ibrahim et al, 2020). Conception gap (Maison at al., 2020; Taqwa et al., 2020; Rico & Zonalia, 2021; Rohmawatiningsih et al., 202; Mengistu et al., 2022; Korganci et al., 2015; Rahmawati et al., 2018; Nugraha et al., 2018; Yolanda, 2020; Luthfi et al., 2021).

## METHODS

### The Research Method

This survey research aims to analyze the gap in the conception of current, electrical voltage of students and teachers of Technical Vocational Education and Training (junior high school), in Indonesia.

### Participants

The research sample consisted of: 720 students Junior high school, each consisting of 175 from Bali, 150 from Java, 120 from Sulawesi, 170 from Sumatera, and 100 from Kalimantan and 527 teachers Junior high school, consisting of 157 from Bali, 100 from Java, 100 from Sumatera, 50 from Kalimantan. The indicators measured in this study consist of: consumption model, local reasoning,

voltage source is seen as a constant current source, current rather than voltage reasoning, charge density reasoning, and series and parallel circuits.

### Data Collection Tools

The data was collected using the current,voltage dianostic (CVD) test of 30 items a score 1 if it was true and 0 if it was wrong and Certainty of Response Index (CRI): 0 (If you answer the question by guessing 100%), 1 (If you answer the question by guessing between 75% - 99 %), 2 (If you answer the question by guessing between 50% - 74%), 3 (If you answer the question by guessing between 25% - 49%), 4 (If you answer the question by guessing between 1% - 24%) or 5 (If you answered the question without guessing at all (100% correct). Analysis of the coefficient of internal consistency of the test using Gregory analysis and student and teacher SPS data analysis using descriptive and inferential analysis with SPSS 21.

### Validation and Reliability of Research Instruments

The CVD test was validated by 3 science education experts. Validation analysis using Gregory analysis (Arliniet al., 2017) as shown in Table 1. To calculate the value of the coefficient of internal consistency (internal validation) using equation (1), and to determine the category in Table The validation results show that the CVD test, internal validation value greater than .75 is included in the high category, this is eligible for use in research.

**Table 1.** Gregory's validation analysis tabulation

	Expert Assessment	
	(1 or 2) score	(3 or 4) score
weak relevance expert assessment (item is worth 1 or 2)	A	B
strong relevance expert assessment (item is worth 1 or 2)	C	D

$$\text{Internal Consistency Coefficient (Internal validation)} = \frac{D}{A + B + C + D} \quad (1)$$

Remarks:

- A = Both experts give weak relevance
- B = The first expert gives strong relevance  
The second expert gives weak relevance
- C = The first expert gives weak relevance  
The second expert gives strong relevance
- D = Both experts give strong relevance

**Table 2.** Content validation category (Arlini et al., 2017)

Interval	Category
> 0,8	high
0,4-0,8	medium

< 0,4                      low

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Analysis of the reliability of the CVD diagnostic test to calculate the level of percentages of agreements between the two raters stating "yes" or "no" used formula (2) (Grinnell, as cited in Fuadi et al., 2015). The results of the reliability analysis are 95 percent, which is greater than the lower limit of the reliability coefficient of .75, meaning that all research instruments are reliable.

$$\text{Percentage of Agrrement} = \frac{\text{Agreement}}{\text{Disagreement} + \text{Agreement}} \times 100\% \quad (2)$$

### Data Analysis

The research data was obtained through the provision of diagnostic tests to students and teachers at Junior high school who were members of the Subject Teacher Conference in every province in Indonesia. Research data were analyzed descriptively using SPSS 21.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Results

The presentation of the data is sorted according to several types of conceptual gaps that are often found, namely: consumption models, local reasoning, voltage sources are seen as constant current sources, current rather than voltage reasoning, charge density reasoning as current carriers, and understanding of series and parallel circuits. According to the consumption or attenuation model, the electric current in the series circuit decreases in each resistor or lamp. So some of the current is absorbed in each component of the circuit so that according to students and teachers the current near the positive pole is greater than the near negative current from the power source. It turned out that with simple questions, students and teachers did not apply the consumption model. For example, in a series of 2 or 3 lamps in series they predict that the brightness of the lamp and the current through it are the same, but if the problem is made a little more complicated, the misconception of "consumption" still arises. The Distribution of Student (I) and Teacher (II) Answers is in Table 3.

**Table 3.** Distribution of Student (I) and Teacher (II) Answers in Percentage

Answer Option	A		B		C		D		Proportion of correct answers (%)		Coorrect option is
	I	II	I	II	I	II	I	II	I	II	
<b>Consumption Model</b>											
1	11.11	30	48.14	10	9.25	20	27.77	40	22.7	40	D
2	35.18	10	22.22	40	31.48	40	11.11	10	31.4	40	C
3	12.96	20	37.03	40	31.48	10	18.52	30	37.0	40	B
<b>Local Reasoning</b>											
4	29.62	10	7.40	20	61.11	70	0	0	61.1	70	C

									1		
5	37.03	10	33.33	60	32.48	30	0	0	33.3	60	B
									3		
6	29.62	0	50.00	70	22.22	30	0	0	50.0	70	B
									0		
7	37.03	70	31.48	10	31.48	20	0	0	37.0	70	A
									3		
8	29.62	50	38.88	10	29.62	40	0	0	29.6	50	A
									2		

The voltage source is seen as a constant current source

9	42.59	80	33.33	0	22.22	20	0	0	22.2	20	C
									2		
10	42.59	80	33.33	0	24.07	20	0	0	24.0	20	C
									7		
11	38.88	60	33.33	10	27.77	30	0	0	27.7	30	C
									7		
12	27.77	50	37.03	20	33.33	30	0	0	37.0	20	B
									3		
13	25.92	10	57.40	70	5.55	10	11.11	10	25.9	10	A
									2		
14	24.07	50	57.40	30	7.40	20	11.11	0	24.0	50	A
									7		
15	29.62	40	37.03	30	22.22	0	11.11	30	29.6	40	A
									2		
16	31.48	60	12.69	0	16.66	10	38.88	30	31.4	60	A
									8		
17	37.03	80	40.74	20	11.11	0	11.11	0	37.0	80	A
									3		

Current rather than voltage reasoning

18	53.70	40	11.11	10	37.25	50	0	0	37.2	50	C
									5		
19	75.92	30	9.25	0	1.85	0	12.96	70	12.9	70	D
									6		
20	11.11	10	27.77	0	31.37	40	31.48	50	31.4	50	D

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21	50.00	20	18.51	50	31.48	30	0	0	50.0	20	A
									0		
22	29.62	30	37.03	50	9.25	10	22.22	10	22.2	10	D
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23	44.44	20	18.51	10	16.66	20	20.37	50	18.5	10	B
									1		
24	11.11	0	31.48	0	25.92	40	31.48	60	31.4	0	B
									8		
Charge density reasoning as a current carrier											
25	51.85	80	18.51	0	24.07	10	3.70	10	18.5	0	B
									1		
26	12.96	10	16.66	60	14.81	10	55.55	20	16.6	60	B
									6		
Understanding of electric power											
27	33.33	20	37.03	30	13.72	50	14.81	0	33.3	20	A
									3		
28	12.96	30	25.92	20	14.81	0	44.44	50	12.9	30	A
									6		
Understanding series and parallel circuits											
29	40.74	0	16.66	10	22.22	30	18.51	60	18.5	60	D
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									8		

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Problems 1-3 (in appendix), conceptual gaps on the effect of resistance on current in electric circuits. All prisoners represented by the sign are of equal size. Each question consists of 3 series. In which circuit will the light shine brightest? If any of the components are changed in a series circuit, then the whole circuit is affected. When the resistance of a resistor is changed, the current in the entire circuit changes in magnitude. But students and teachers assume that the changed component only affects the flow in the following components and not the previous one. They seem to be analogizing a series to a river; the main effect of the embankment occurs in the down-stream flow. In the theory of reasoning of students and teachers like this is called local reasoning, namely the effect of changing the series is only "local" or sequential reasoning, namely the components that are located before the change are not subject to change. In question 1, the CRI score: 2, 70% of students; 60% of teachers; problem, 2, CRI: 3, 95% of students; 85 % of teachers, and 3 questions,

CRI scores: 1, 90 % of students; 75% of teachers give guess answers, would townon (Horowitz., & Hill, 2015; Crowell, 2020).

Problems 4-8 (in appendix), the gap in the concept of local reasoning, many students and teachers apply the electric current consumption model: 213 (or 29.62%) students and 53 (10 %) teachers assume that the current in L1 is greater than the current in the lamp L2. Problem 4, CRI scores: 1, 85% of students; 75% of teachers give guess answers. Problem, 5 most students and teachers think that the current in lamp L1 is not affected by the change in resistor, but only the current through lamp L2. Question 5, CRI score: 2, 80 % of students; 70% of teachers give guess answers. Problem, 7-8 are very consistent with questions 5-6, and the percentage of students and teachers who use local reasoning is high. The gap in the conception of students and teachers, i.e.: a voltage source produces a constant electric current rather than producing a constant potential difference (if the source is ideal).

Problem, 9-12 (in appendix), the gap in the conception of a voltage source is seen as a constant current source, more than 50% of the sample answered that the brightness of the lamp and the electric current will increase when source II is connected. Students and teachers argue that the current is approximately doubled rather than increased if the source is not ideal. There were 60% of students and 75% of teachers could not give reasons for the selected answers. Problem, 12 most students and teachers answered that the current through source I did not change, the answer reaffirmed that students and teachers view a voltage source as a current source. In addition to these problems, gaps also occur with the same circuit except for the location of the battery II and the lights are swapped. CRI score: 1, 85 % of students; 80% of teachers give guess answers.

The gap in the conception of potential difference and at the same time shows errors that can occur if students and teachers only look at the current without a cause (potential difference). Problem, 13-15 (in appendix), only 28.60% of students; 36.67% of teachers who gave the correct answer, most of the samples answered that the brightness of the lamp and the electric current would increase when source II was connected. Students and teachers found the flow to be approximately doubled (rather than adding a little if the source was not ideal), and 70% of students and 55% of teachers were unable to give reasons for the chosen answers. In problem, 15 most students and teachers answered that the current through source I did not change, the answer reiterated that students and teachers viewed the voltage source as a current source. Conception gap also occurs with the same circuit except the location of the battery II and the lights are swapped. CRI scores: 1, 40% of students; 30% of teachers with guessed answers. A four-tier diagnostic test can identify lesson (Negoro & Kartina, 2019).

Problem, 14-17 (in appendix), only 29.13% of students and 30% of teachers gave correct answers, i.e: if  $I_2$  is removed, the total resistance increases, the total current decreases, because of the potential difference, the current in the lamp  $L_1$  increases. Most students and teachers answered that  $L_1$  became brighter but with the wrong reason, namely the current that had passed through  $L_2$  would pass through  $L_1$ . Students and teachers think that the potential difference between X and Y becomes zero after the lamp is removed. There were 75% of students and 65% of teachers, unable to give reasons for the selected answers. Problem, 19 most students and teachers answered that the current through source I did not change, the answer emphasized again that students and teachers viewed the voltage source as a current source. Conception gap also occurs with the same circuit

except the location of the battery II and the lights are swapped. The results are very consistent with the results of problem 16-19. CRI scores: 1, 65% students; 75% of teachers give guess answers.

Problem, 18-24 (in appendix), the gap in the concept of current-than-voltage reasoning, only 17.59% of students and 30% of teachers gave the correct answer, most of the samples answered that the electrons came from the lamp rather than from the battery. Students and teachers argue that when the switch is closed, current arises due to electrons moving from the positive pole to the negative pole. There were 80% of students and 70% of teachers could not give reasons for the selected answers. Problem, 18, most students and teachers answered that the current through source I did not change, the answer reaffirmed that students and teachers view a voltage source as a current source. In addition to these problems, the conceptual gap with the circuit is the same except for the location of the battery II and the lights are swapped. Problem 24, only 31.48% of students and 0% of teachers, problem, 25 (in appendix) only, 18.51 students; 0% of teachers, problem, 26 (in appendix), only 16.66% of students, 10% of teachers mostly in the sample answered that the electric current does not change when the switch is closed. Students and teachers think that the voltage on the lamps is different, 75% of students and 80% of teachers cannot give reasons for the chosen answers. The gap in the concept of current reasoning rather than voltage of students and teachers is consistent. CRI score: 2, 65% students; teachers 75%. Students and teachers give guess answers. The results are very consistent with the results of problem 18-24. CRI scores: 1, 65% students; 75% of teachers give guess answers. Electrical  $I = \text{charge} / t$ , when  $t$  (Horowitz., & Hill, 2015; Crowell, 2020).

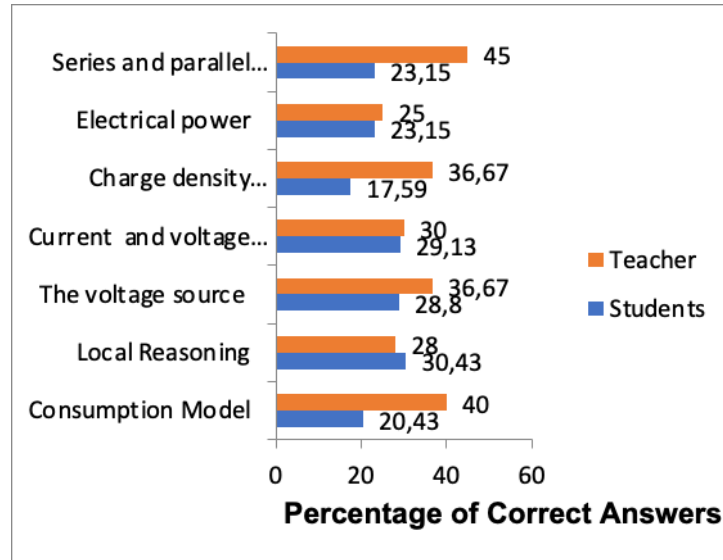
Problem, 25-26 (in appendix), gaps in the concept of charge density reasoning as current carriers, problem 25, 18.51% of students and 0% of teachers who gave the correct answer, and problem, 26; 66.66% of students; 60% of teachers, most of the samples answered that the voltage A is the same as the voltage B when the electric current flows. Students and teachers think that the voltage on the lamps is different, 85% of students and 80% of teachers cannot give reasons for the chosen answers. The conception gap also contains several other problems with the same circuit except the switch and lamp positions are swapped. The results are very consistent with the results of problem, 25-26. CRI scores: 1, 75 % of students; 85% of teachers give guess answers. Colloqually two types of charge, i.e: positive, negative.

Problem, 27-28 (in appendix), the gap in the concept of understanding electric power that gives the correct answer, problem, 27; 33.33% of students and 20% of teachers who answered correctly and problem, 28; 12.96% of students; 30% teachers. Most of the samples answered that the electric power changed when the lamp was on. There were 75% of students and 80% of teachers could not give reasons for the selected answers. The gap in the concept of electrical reasoning of students and teachers is consistent. CRI score: 2, 75% students; teacher 80%. Students and teachers give guess answers.

Problem, 29-30 (in appendix), the conceptual gap in understanding series and parallel circuits, give the correct answer, problem, 29, which is 10.51% of students and 60% of teachers, question 30, only 31.48% of students; 30% teachers. Most of the samples answered that the parallel circuit surrogate resistance is smaller. Students and teachers argue that the lamp voltages in parallel circuits are different. There are 75% of students and 80% of teachers cannot give reasons for the chosen answers. The gap in the concept of current reasoning rather than voltage of students and teachers is consistent. CRI score: 2, 65% students; 75% teachers. Difference in students'



understanding of simple DC circuits, in Indonesia (Marcelina & Hartanto, 2021). Conception gap of current, voltage indicators, in Fig.1.



**Figure 1.** Percentage of Correct Answers

Gap consumption model, 20.43% of students, 40% of teachers, the difference in the gap is 19.67%, quite large; local reasoning, 30.43% students, 28% teachers, the difference is 2.43%, the gap is small, the voltage source, 28.8% students, 36.67%, the difference is 7.87%. Current and voltage reasoning, 29.13% students, 30% teachers, the difference is 0.87% very small gap; charge density reasoning, 17.59% students, 36.67% teachers, the difference is 19.08 quite large, electrical power, 23.15% students, 25% teachers, the difference is 1.85% small gap, series and parallel circuit, 23.15% students, 45% teachers, the difference is 21.85% big gap. It was found that several current and voltage indicators had a large conception gap, Junior High School students and teachers in Indonesia.

This finding indicates that understanding the concepts of electric current and voltage really needs to be considered in the science learning process at Junior High School, so that students can overcome electrical problems. A tenthgrade high school student in Turkey, there is also a conceptual gap regarding the electric force between two objects independent of the relative permittivity of the medium between them' (Onder-Celikkanli & Tan, 2022).

## Discussion

The conception gap occurs when there is a problem with the effect of resistance on the current in electrical circuits. All prisoners are depicted with the same sign. Students and teachers argue that if one component is changed in a series circuit, then the whole circuit is affected. When the resistance of a resistor is changed, the current in the entire circuit changes in magnitude. Students and teachers assume that the changed component only affects the flow in the following components and not the previous one. They seem to be analogizing a series with the flow of a river. In the theory of reasoning of students and teachers like this is called local reasoning, namely the effect of changing the series is only "local" or sequential reasoning, namely the components that are located before the change are not subject to change. The average value of the Certainty of Response Index is 70%, the answer choices are guessing. There is a career skills gap in the electricity industry, conception of innovation of the electric, (Zhang & Huang, 2012; Rodzalan et al., 2022).

The gap in the concept of local reasoning also still occurs, students and teachers apply the electric current consumption model. They still assume that the current in the first lamp is greater than the current in the second lamp in a circuit. Most students and teachers think that the current in the first lamp is not affected by the change in the resistor, but only the current through the second lamp. The percentage of students and teachers who use local reasoning is high. The gap in the conception of students and teachers, i.e.: a voltage source produces a constant electric current rather than producing a constant potential difference (if the source is ideal). High school students still experience a gap in the conception of simple electrical circuits from scientific conceptions (Wardiyah et al., 2019; Barniol & Zavala, 2014).

The gap in the conception of a voltage source is seen as a constant current source, in general students, teachers answer that the brightness of the lamp and the electric current will increase when the voltage source is connected. Students and teachers argue that the current is about twice that of the non-ideal source. Most of the teachers did not give reasons for the selected answers. This indicates that the teacher is less able to reason. Likewise, it was found that most students and teachers answered that the current through the power source did not change, the answer emphasized again that students and teachers viewed the voltage source as a current source. Conception gaps also occur in the same circuit except where the batteries and lights are swapped.

The conceptual gap regarding potential difference and at the same time shows errors that can occur if students and teachers only look at currents without a cause (potential difference). According to students and teachers: the brightness of the lamp and the electric current will increase when the voltage source is connected. Students and teachers argue that the current is approximately doubled (rather than a little more if the source is not ideal). Students and teachers view voltage sources as current sources. Conception gap also occurs with the same circuit except the location of the battery and lights are swapped. The percentage of students who cannot give reasons for the selected answers is greater. The average value of the Certainty of Response Index is 50%, the answer is a guess. Handhika et al, 2016, found that there was a conceptual gap in Newton's law. This means that in other lessons there is also a conceptual gap.

The student who gave the correct answer is greater, i.e: if the current  $I_2$  is removed, then the total resistance increases, the total current decreases, because of the potential difference, the current in the lamp  $L_1$  increases. Most students and teachers answered that  $L_1$  became brighter but with the wrong reason, namely the current that had passed through  $L_2$  would pass through  $L_1$ . Students and teachers think that the potential difference between  $X$  and  $Y$  becomes zero after the lamp is removed. Most students could not give reasons for the selected answers. Conception gap occurs in the problem of

current through a voltage source I does not change, the answer confirms again that students and teachers view the voltage source as a current source. This also happens with the same circuit except the location of the battery II and the lights are swapped. This conceptual gap is very consistent. The average value of Certainty of Response Index is 65%, guess answers.

The gap in the conception of current rather than voltage reasoning, students and teachers answered that the electrons came from the lamp rather than from the battery. They argue that when the switch is closed, the current arises due to electrons moving from the positive pole to the negative pole. More percentage of students were unable to give reasons for the selected answers. They consider the current through the voltage source unchanged, the answer confirms again that they view the voltage source as a current source. Conception gaps also occur when the circuit is the same except for the location of the two batteries and the lights are swapped. They assumed that the electric current did not change when the switch was closed, and that the voltage across the lamps was different. The gap in the concept of current reasoning rather than voltage is consistent. A larger percentage of teachers could not give reasons for the selected answers. The average value of Certainty of Response Index is 55%, guess answers.

The gap in the concept of reasoning of charge density as a current carrier, only 18.51% of students, 0% of teachers who gave the correct answer, They assume that voltage A is the same as voltage B on electric current flowing, the voltage on the lamp is different. Conception gaps also occur with the same circuit except the switch and lamp locations are swapped. This conceptual gap is very consistent. A larger percentage of teachers could not give reasons for the selected answers. The average value of the Certainty of Response Index is 70%, the answer is a guess.

Gap in understanding the concept of electric power 33.33% of students, 20% of teachers. They assume the electric power changes when the light is on. The gap in the conception of electrical power reasoning is consistent. A larger percentage of teachers could not give reasons for the selected answers. Average value The average value Certainty of Response Index 70%, guess answers.

Gap in the conception of understanding series and parallel circuits, 10.51% of students and 60% of teachers. They consider the resistance of the parallel circuit to be smaller, the lamp voltage in the parallel circuit to be different. The gap in the concept of current reasoning rather than voltage is consistent. A larger percentage of teachers could not give reasons for the selected answers. The average value of Certainty of Response Index is 65%, guess answers. Students still have difficulty understanding electric lines of force and electric fields in a circuit (Garza & Zavala, 2013; Leniz et al., 2017; Setyani, 2017; Suci atmoko et al., 2018)

Conception gap of each indicator, i.e: (1) consumption model is quite large, namely 19.67%, (2) local reasoning, 2.43%, the gap is small, (3) the voltage source, around 7.87%, quite small, (4) current and voltage reasoning, 0.87% very small, (5) charge density reasoning, 19.08 quite large, (6) electrical power, 1.85% quite small, (7) series and parallel circuit, 21.85% is huge. Several current and voltage indicators show a large conception gap, Junior High School students and teachers in Indonesia. Understanding the concept of electric current and voltage really needs to be considered in the science learning process at Junior High School, so that students can overcome electrical problems

## CONCLUSION

Conception gaps found in other countries can also be found in Indonesia, among Junior High School students and teachers. If the conceptual gap outside and inside the country is the same, then the conceptual gap can be stated to arise in the interaction between the human brain and nature, without (or almost without) cultural influences. This is an interesting conclusion that contradicts the opinion of many psychologists who, among other things, look for cultural causes for the lack of success of science education in Indonesia. This conclusion was also confirmed by physicists, for example, there are many gaps in the conceptions of mechanics, heat, physical optics and geometry, atoms, molecules that are common today. Several conception gaps were found in this study, i.e.: (1) consumption model, (2) local reasoning, the gap is small, (3) the voltage source, around 7.87%, quite, (4) current and voltage reasoning, (5) charge density reasoning, (6) electrical power, (7) series and parallel circuits.

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## Appendix

### CURRENT AND VOLTAGE DIANOSTIC (CVD) TEST

Instruction:

- The scope of the question is physics on the topic of electric current and voltage. These questions are intended to determine the extent of your understanding of these concepts, whether you already have an understanding of the concepts in accordance with the understanding of concepts by physicists.
- Answer all the questions below directly on the question.
- Choose one of the answers a, b, c, or d that you think is most correct by putting a cross (X) or red color on the available answers.
- Give a written reason why you chose that answer.
- After you have answered each question and the reasons, you are also asked to put a Certainty of Response Index (CRI) number: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 in the CRI box provided with the following conditions:

CRI	Information
0	If you answer the question by guessing 100%
1	If you answer the question by guessing between 75% - 99%
2	If you answer the question by guessing between 50% - 74%
3	If you answer the question by guessing between 25% - 49%
4	If you answer the question by guessing between 1% - 24%
5	If you answer the question by not guessing at all (100% benar)

#### Example:

An atom is made up of particles. . .

- hydrogen, deuteron and triton
- protons, neutrons and electrons
- protons, neutrinos and photons
- alpha, beta and gamma

Reason: In atomic theory it is said that the basic particles that make up an atom are protons, neutrons, and electrons

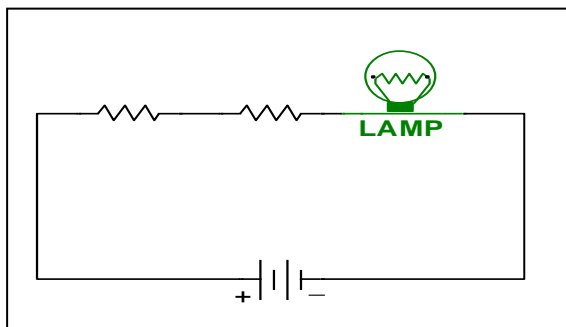
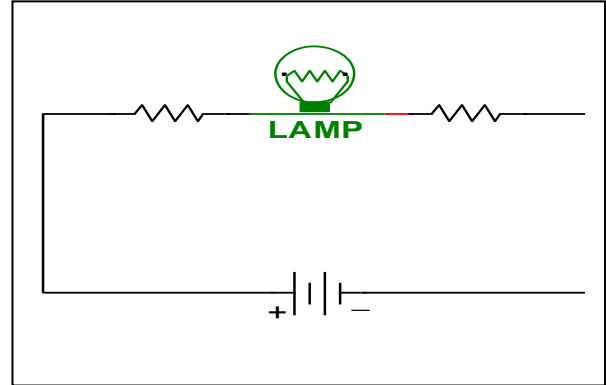
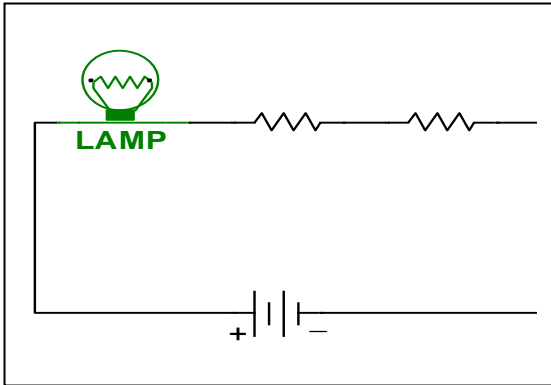
CRI:



The following problem concerns the effect of resistance on current in the described electrical circuits. All resistors represented by the sign are of equal size. Each question consists of 3 series. In which circuit will the light shine brightest?

Problem, 1-3

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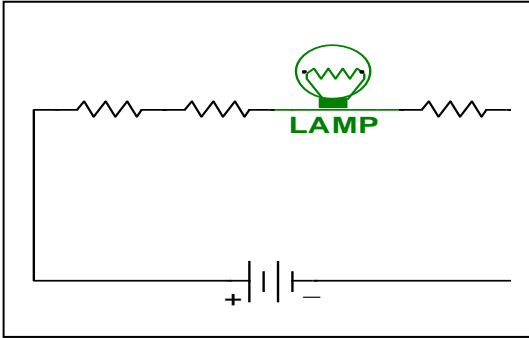
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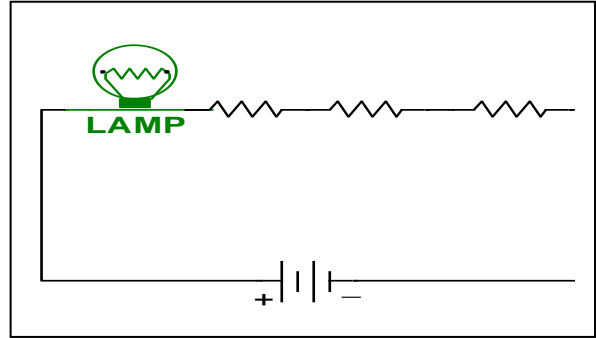
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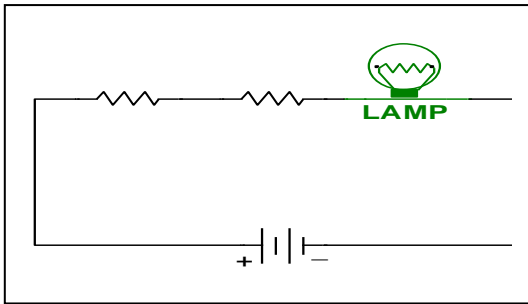
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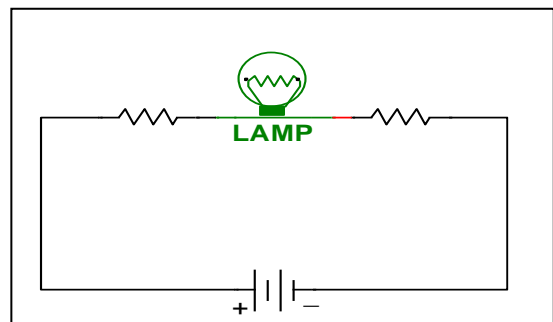
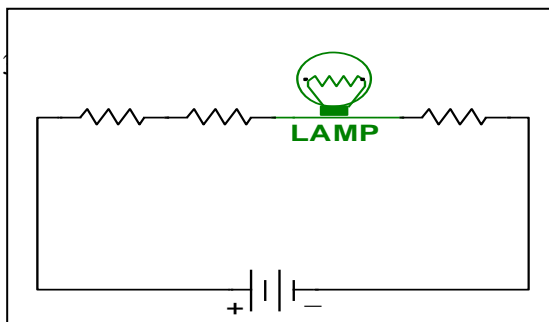
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D. The lights will be equally bright in all circuits

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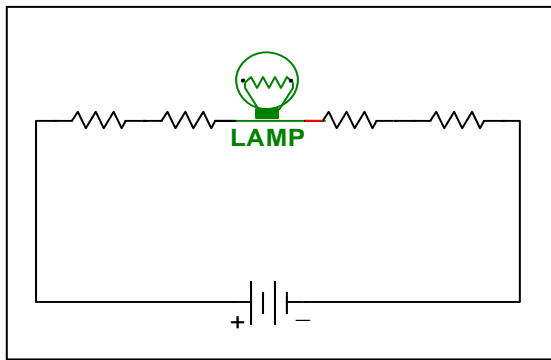
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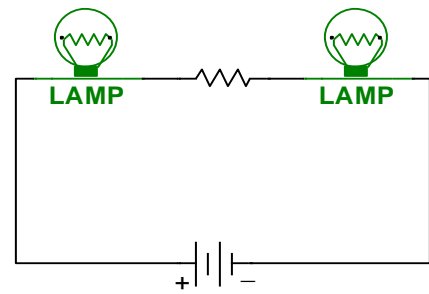
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Reason: ...

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Problem, 4-8

In the following circuit there are 2 batteries, 2 lamps which are identical, and the resistance current of which magnitude can be changeable



4. Electric current leawt Lamp  $L_1$   
 A. is greater than the current through the lamp  $L_2$   
 B. is less than the current through the lamp  $L_2$   
 C. is equal to the current through the lamp  $L_2$

Reason: ...

CRI:

5. If the resistance R decreases, then the current through the lamp  $L_1$

- A. decreases      B. increases      C. does not change

Reason: .....

CRI:

6. If the resistance R decreases, then the current through the lamp  $L_2$

- A. decreases      B. increases      C. does not change

Reason: .....

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7. If the resistance R increases, then the current through the lamp  $L_1$

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Reason: ...

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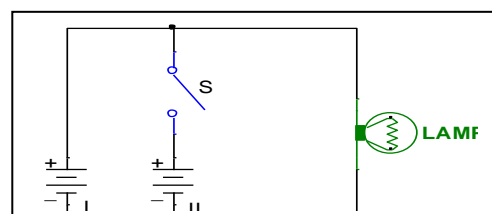
8. If the resistance R increases, then the current through the lamp  $L_2$

- A. decreases      B. increases      C. does not change

Reason: ...

CRI:

Problem, 9-12



The following question concerns addition voltage source (battery) in the circuit electricity. L lamp arranged with source voltage I, voltage source II arranged in parallel as shown in the figure below. Second source is the same and ideal, meaning that the voltage remains regardless of the electric current

9. Initially switch S is open as shown in the figure. If switch S is closed, then the brightness of L will be

- A. decreases      B. increases      C. does not change

Reason: ...

CRI:

10. If switch S is closed, then the electric current in the lamp will be:

- A. decreases      B. increases      C. does not change

Reason: .....

CRI:

11. If switch S is closed, the potential difference between the lamps will be:

- A. decreases      B. increases      C. does not change

Reason: .....

CRI:

12. If switch S is closed, then the electric current flowing through the voltage source I will be:

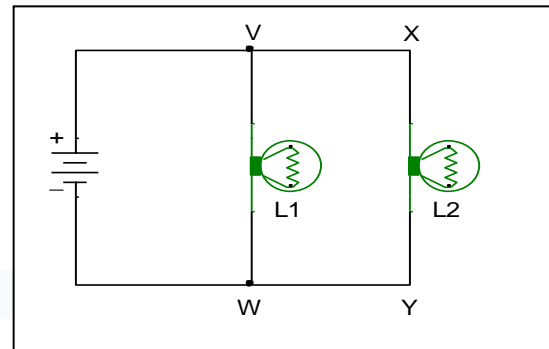
- A. decreases      B. increases      C. does not change

Reason: .....

CRI:

#### Problem, 13-15

The following question concerns the effect of being revoked one of the two lamps arranged in parallel as shown below. The ideal voltage source (battery) is connected with the same two lamps  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ . at first both lights are on. One of the lamps, namely  $L_2$  taken from the place. What happened?



13. If lamp  $L_2$  is removed, the electric current in lamp  $L_1$  will be:

- A. decreases      B. increases      C. does not change

Reason: .....

CRI:

14. If the lamp  $L_2$  is removed then the potential difference between X and Y will be:

- A. becomes 0      B. decreases      C. increases      D. does not change

Reason: .....

CRI:

15. If the lamp  $L_2$  is removed then the potential difference between V and W will be:

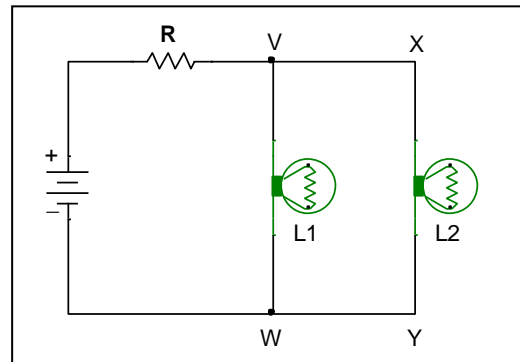
- A. becomes 0      B. decreases      C. increases      D. does not change

Reason: .....

CRI:

Problem, 16-19

The following question concerns the effect of issuing one of two lamps arranged in a row parallel in a closed circuit which also contains resistance R and an ideal voltage source (voltage remains no matter how large the electric current). The two lights light up. One of the lamps, namely  $L_2$ , is then taken from the place. What happens?



16. If lamp  $L_2$  is removed from its place, the electric current through lamp  $L_1$  will be:  
 A. decreases      B. increases      C. does not change

CRI:

17. The reason for the answer I gave is...  
 A. the current that passed through  $L_2$  will now be added to the current that passed through  $L_1$   
 B. in a parallel circuit the presence or absence of current in the XY branch does not affect the current in the VW . branch  
 C. the voltage difference between V and W decreases  
 D. the total current decreases so the voltage difference VW increases

CRI :

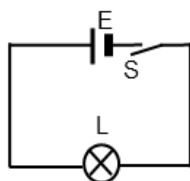
18. If lamp  $L_2$  is removed from its place, the potential difference XY will be:  
 A. becomes 0      B. decreases      C. increases      D. does not change

Reason: ..... CRI:

19. If lamp  $L_2$  is removed from its place, the potential difference VW will be:  
 A. becomes 0      B. decreases      C. increases      D. does not change

Reason: ..... CRI:

Problem, 20 – 21



The circuit below consists of a battery E, lamp L, switch S and conductor wire

20. When switch S is connected, electrons will flow in the circuit. The electrons in the circuit come from...

- A. Battery      C. conductor wire  
 B. switch      D. Lamp

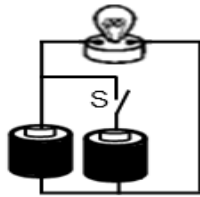
Reason: ..... CRI:

21. When the switch is connected but the lamp L is dim, the electrons in the circuit become. . .

- A. does not change
- B. reduced
- C. increase
- D. shrink

Reason: ..... CRI:

Problem, 22 - 23



In the circuit below, the two batteries are identical and ideal (no internal resistance). The electric current in the circuit when switch S is disconnected is I

22. If switch S is connected, then the electric current flowing in the lamp becomes . . .

- A. do not change
- B. doubled from before
- C. reduced by two times from the original
- D. reduced by half from the original

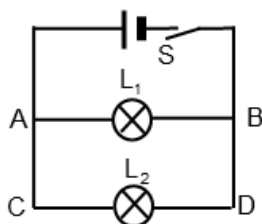
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23. If switch S is connected, then the clamping voltage of the lamp becomes. . .

- A. do not change
- B. doubled from before
- C. reduced by two times from the original
- D. reduced by half from the original

Reason: ..... CRI:

Problem, 24-26



In the circuit above, the battery is ideal (no internal resistance) and the lamp is identical. When switch S is connected, the electric current through the lamps  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  is the same

24. When switch S is connected and lamp  $L_1$  is unplugged, the electric current through lamp  $L_2$ . . .

- A. do not change
- B. doubled from before
- C. reduced by two times from the original
- D. reduced by half from the original

Reason: ..... CRI:

25. When switch S is connected and lamp  $L_1$  is unplugged, then . . .

- A. point potential A is the same as point potential B
- B. point potential A is less than point potential B
- C. point potential A is greater than point potential B
- D. there is no potential difference between point A and point B

Reason: ..... CRI:

26. When switch S is connected and lamp  $L_1$  is removed, the potential difference between points C and D becomes. . .

- A. do not change
- B. doubled from before
- C. reduced by two times from the original
- D. reduced by half from the original

Reason: ..... CRI:

#### Problem, 27 - 28

27. If a lamp with a specification of 2.0W/6V is plugged into a 3V voltage source, then. . .

- A. the power does not change
- B. the power is half of the original
- C. the power is a quarter of the original
- D. twice the power from before

Reason: ..... CRI:

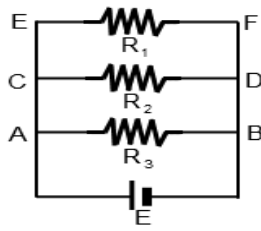
28. If the lamp is attached to a 12V voltage source for a long time, then. . .

- A. the power does not change
- B. twice the original power
- C. four times the power
- D. all wrong

Reason: ..... CRI:



Problem, 29 - 30



The picture on the right shows a battery in parallel with three different resistances

29. The current and potential difference in a parallel resistance circuit are as follows:

- A. The electric current strength of the circuit is divided into resistance  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ ; and the potential difference of the voltage source is also divided into the clamping voltage  $V_{AB}$ ,  $V_{CD}$  and  $V_{EF}$
- B. Strong electric current circuit is not divided on resistance  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ ; and the potential difference of the voltage source is also not divided into clamping voltages  $V_{AB}$ ,  $V_{CD}$  and  $V_{EF}$
- C. Strong electric current circuit is not divided on resistance  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ ; and the potential difference of the voltage source is divided into the clamping voltage  $V_{AB}$ ,  $V_{CD}$  and  $V_{EF}$
- D. The electric current strength of the circuit is divided into resistances  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ , and the potential difference of the voltage source is not divided into clamping voltages  $V_{AB}$ ,  $V_{CD}$  and  $V_{EF}$

Reason: .....

CRI:

30. Parallel resistance can be replaced by a large resistance. . .

- A. smaller than the smallest obstacle
- B. bigger than the biggest obstacle
- C. equal to the biggest obstacle
- D. equal to the smallest resistance

Reason: .....

CRI:

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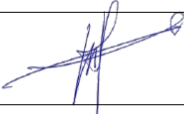
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### Abstract

This research aims to analyze the influence of qualitative teaching and quantitative pursuit on understanding the concept of motion Newton Student of Science Education Study Program of FMIPA UNM. The main objectives of this study were to obtain information: 1) the characteristics of pretest and post-test results of understanding of Newton's motion concepts of students following qualitative teaching, 2) characteristics of pretest and post-test results of understanding of Newton's motion concepts of students following quantitative teaching, 3) student activities, and 4) a significant difference understanding of Newton's motion concepts of students who follow qualitative teaching and who follow quantitative teaching. The research method used is mixed. The embedded experimental model, the population of 100 student's odd semester of 2019/2020 divided into group A of 50 students and group B of as many as 50 students. The techniques used for data collection were interviews and tests, and the data were analyzed qualitatively and quantitatively. The results of the study were found in group A: 1) initial understanding of Newton's concept based on Aristotelian theory of 30 students (60 percent), impetus 15 students (30 percent), and Newton's five students (10 percent). The post-test result of understanding Newton's concept of motion is based on the theory of Aristotle, too.

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