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Physics

PHY 1C 03—ELECTRODYNAMICS AND PLASMA PHYSICS

[2017 Syllabus Year]

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 36 Weightage

Section A

Answer **all** questions.

Each question carries weightage 1.

1. Explain the significance of displacement current.
2. Distinguish between a phasor and a vector ?
3. Explain the situation where the reflection and transmission co-efficients are real.
4. What is meant by the wave impedance of total field ?
5. Give the phase relationship between voltage and current waves in an infinitely long transmission line.
6. What is meant by the cut off frequency of a waveguide ?
7. Define a cavity resonator ?
8. Write down the expression for Minkowski force on a charge q .
9. Show that the current density 4 - vector is divergenceless.
10. Give the criteria for plasmas.
11. Explain the term 'Larmor radius' ?
12. Write down the Fokker-Planck equation under coulomb collision.

(12 × 1 = 12 weightage)

Section B

Answer any **two** questions.

Each question carries weightage 6.

13. Define Poynting's vector ? Obtain the expressions for instantaneous and average power densities for time harmonic electromagnetic waves.
14. Derive the transmission line equations for a lossless parallel plate line supporting TEM waves ? Explain why waves along a lossy transmission line cannot be purely TEM.

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15. Derive Maxwell's equations in relativistic notation.
16. Obtain the fluid equations of motion for plasma. Give the significance of stress tensor.

(2 × 6 = 12 weightage)

Section C

Answer any four questions.

Each question carries weightage 3.

17. Find the potential inside and outside of a uniformly charged spherical shell of radius R ?
18. A parallel plate capacitor of capacitance $20 \mu\text{F}$ is connected across an AC voltage source, $v = 5 \sin \pi t$. Determine (i) the displacement current in the capacitor, and (ii) the intensity of magnetic field at a distance 5 cm from the wire, in terms of time 't' ?
19. A 5GHz, x - polarised uniform plane wave propagates in the +y direction in a nonmagnetic medium having a dielectric constant 1.5 and a loss tangent 0.001. Determine the intrinsic impedance, wavelength, phase velocity and group velocity of the wave in the medium ?
20. A transmission line of characteristic impedance, $R_0 = 75 \Omega$, is to be matched to a load impedance, $Z_L = 50 + j, 10 \Omega$, through a length l of another transmission line of characteristic impedance R_0 . Determine the values of l and R_0 for matching ?
21. A straight wire along x-axis carries a charge density λ travelling in the +x direction at speed v . Construct the field tensor and the dual tensor at the point $(y, 0, 0)$.
22. (a) A distant galaxy contains a cloud of protons and antiprotons, each with density $10^{11} /\text{m}^3$ and temperature 100K. Determine the Debye length and the number of particles in a Debye sphere ?
(b) Find the cyclotron frequency of electrons in a perpendicular magnetic field of strength $3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ T}$?

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)