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SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING

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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING)

EEE 304: ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS AND WAVES

DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 marks)-Compulsory

- (a) Given that $A = a_x + 2a_y - 3a_z$, $B = 2a_x + 4a_y$ and $C = 2a_y - 4a_z$. Determine the:

- The unit vector $\hat{a}_A$
- The component of B along C
- $A \times C$

(6 marks)

- (b) For the scalar function $T = \frac{1}{2}e^{\frac{r}{5}}\cos\phi$ determine its directional derivative along the radial distance $\tilde{r}$ and then evaluate it at $(2, \frac{\pi}{4}, 3)$.

(5 marks)

- (c) The electric flux density inside a dielectric sphere of radius a centered at the origin is

$$\vec{D} = a_r \rho_0 r \text{ C/m}^2$$

where ρ_0 is a constant. Determine the total charge inside a sphere. (4 marks)

- (d) (i) State Amperes circuital law in words
(ii) In a certain conducting region, the magnetic field is given in cylindrical coordinates by:

$$H = \hat{\Phi} \frac{4}{r} [1 - (1 + 3r)e^{-3r}]$$

Determine the current density J (4 marks)

- (e) State Maxwell's equation in **in point form** form (4 marks)

- (f) Use Amperes law to obtain H due to an infinitely long straight filament of current I

(2 marks)

- (g) Determine the force on a straight conductor of length 0.30m carrying a current of 5 A in the $-\mathbf{a}_z$ direction where the field is given by $\mathbf{B} = 3.50 \times 10^{-3}(\mathbf{a}_x - \mathbf{a}_y)$ T (3 marks)
- (h) Write down the expression of the electric field strength $\mathbf{E}$ for electrostatics field in terms of the electric and magnetic potentials V and $\mathbf{A}$ respectively. (2 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) (i) From Gauss law, derive the Laplace equation
(ii) A region lies between two concentric right circular cylinders centered along the z - axis with the inner cylinder radius $r = 1 \text{ mm}$ corresponding to $V = 0$ and the outer cylinder of $r = 25 \text{ mm}$ corresponding to $V = 175 \text{ volts}$. For the region, determine the:
- Potential function
 - Electric field intensity
- (9 marks)
- b) For the potential function given by $V = 6\rho^2 \cos 2\phi$
- Determine V at $\rho = 3, \phi = \frac{\pi}{3}, z = 2$
 - The volume charge density ρ_v
- (5 marks)
- c) Figure 1 shows a charge free dielectric interface at $z = 0$. The electric field intensity in medium 1 is given by $\mathbf{E}_1 = 3\mathbf{a}_x - 4\mathbf{a}_y + 5\mathbf{a}_z \text{ V/m}$. Determine the:
- Electric flux density D_2
 - The angles θ_1 and θ_2
- (6 marks)

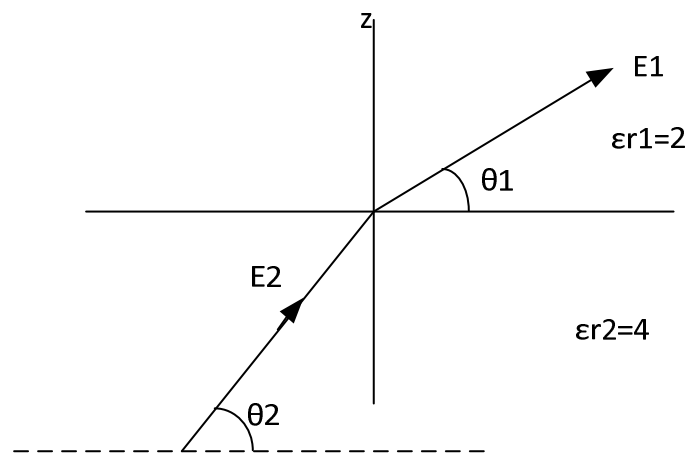


Figure 1

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- (a) State **three** factors that affect Coulomb's Force

(3 marks)

- (b) Point charges $Q_1 = 5\mu\text{C}$ and $Q_2 = -4\mu\text{C}$ are located at (3,2,1) and (-4,0,0) respectively.

Determine the

- i. force on Q_1
- ii. electric field strength $\mathbf{E}$ at Q_1

(7 marks)

- (c) The electric flux density in a region is given by

$$\rho_v = \begin{cases} \frac{10}{r^2} & \frac{m\text{C}}{m^3} \quad 1 < r < 4 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Determine the:

- i. Net flux crossing the surface at $r = 2\text{m}$ and $r = 6\text{m}$
- ii. Flux density D at $r = 1\text{m}$ and at $r = 5$

(10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- (a) Write down the Biot-Savart law equation. Explain all the symbols used. (4 marks)

- (b) (i) Derive the expression for the magnetic field intensity at the center of a current carrying loop with radius a and current I

- (ii) A current loop of radius 0.5m carries a certain current to produce magnetic field $H = 1\text{mA/m}$ at the center. Determine the:

- I. Current
- II. Magnetic field H at a distance 2m from the loop axis

(10 marks)

- (c) (i) State the Amperes law

- (ii) The current density J in cylindrical coordinates for a region $0 < r \leq 0.6\text{m}$ $J = 5e^{-2r}\tilde{a}_r\text{A/m}^2$ and $J = 0$ elsewhere. Determine the magnetic field intensity using Amperes law.

(6 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

(a) State Maxwell's equations in **integral form** (4 marks)

(b) The electric field intensity $\mathbf{E}$ is given by $\mathbf{E} = E_m \sin(\omega t - \beta z)$ in free space, determine the

- i. Electric flux density $\mathbf{D}$
- ii. Magnetic flux density $\mathbf{B}$
- iii. Magnetic field strength $\mathbf{H}$

(7 marks)

(c) A co-axial capacitor with inner radius $6mm$ outer radius $8mm$ and length $500mm$ has a dielectric for which $\epsilon_r = 6.7$ and an applied voltage of $v(t) = 250\sin 377t$ volts.

Determine the

- i. Potential function v
- ii. Electric field strength $\mathbf{E}$
- iii. Flux density $\mathbf{D}$
- iv. Displacement current density J_d
- v. Displacement current i_d

(9 marks)