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DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING

THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING)

EEE 304: ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS AND WAVES

DATE: 12/8/2021

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions. Answer Question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Distinguish between
 - i. Scalar quantity and scalar field
 - ii. Vector quantity and vector field(4 marks)
- b) Explain the significance of the curl of a vector
(2 marks)
- c) Given $\mathbf{A} = (2x + 3y)\mathbf{a}_x - (2y + 3z)\mathbf{a}_y + (3x - y)\mathbf{a}_z$ determine the unit vector parallel to $\mathbf{A}$ at (1, -1, 2)
(3 marks)
- d) Determine the gradient of the scalar $\Phi = x^2 + y^2 + 2xy$
(3 marks)
- e) Define the following terms as used in Electrostatic field
 - i. Electric potential;
 - ii. Potential difference;(2 marks)
- f) State the **Amperes law**. Write down Maxwell's version of the equation in integral form
(3 marks)
- g) State and explain the Lorentz force equation
(4 marks)
- h) Write down the differential form of the Maxwell's equations
(4 marks)
- i) The conduction current flowing through a wire with conductivity $\sigma = 2 \times 10^7 \text{ S/m}$ and relative permittivity $\epsilon_r = 1$ is given by $I_c = 2 \sin \omega t \text{ (mA)}$. If $\omega = 10^9 \text{ rad/s}$. Determine the expression of the displacement current
(3 marks)

- j) Figure 1 shows infinitely long parallel wires carrying currents of 6 A in opposite directions. Determine the magnetic flux density B at point P (2 marks)

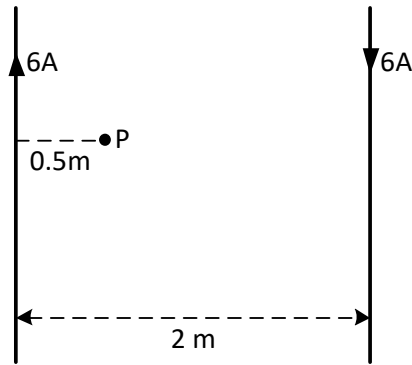


Figure 1

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) State **Gauss law** of Electrostatics (2 marks)
- b) The charge distribution in a hollow sphere of inner radius a and outer radius b have density ρ given by

$$\rho = \begin{cases} 0 & r < a \\ \frac{8a}{r} & a \leq r \leq b \\ 0 & r > b \end{cases}$$

Determine $\mathbf{E}$ in each of the following regions

- i. $r < a$
- ii. $a \leq r \leq b$
- iii. $r > b$

(12 marks)

- c) The charge is distributed along the x – axis from $x = -b$ to $-\infty$ and $x = b$ to $+\infty$ with a charge density of λ . Determine $\mathbf{E}$ on the y – axis (6 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) State **three** factors that affect Coulomb’s Force (3 marks)
- b) Three point charges $-1nC$, $4nC$ and $3nC$ are located at $(0,0,0)$, $(0,0,1)$ and $(1,0,0)$ respectively. Determine the energy in the system. (7 marks)
- c) Two concentric conducting spherical shell with radii a and b are maintained at a potential difference V_0 such that $V(r = a)$ and $V(r = b)$
- i. Use Laplace equation to determine V
 - ii. Determine $\mathbf{E}$
 - iii. If the region is filled with dielectric material of relative permittivity ϵ_r determine the capacitance of the capacitance

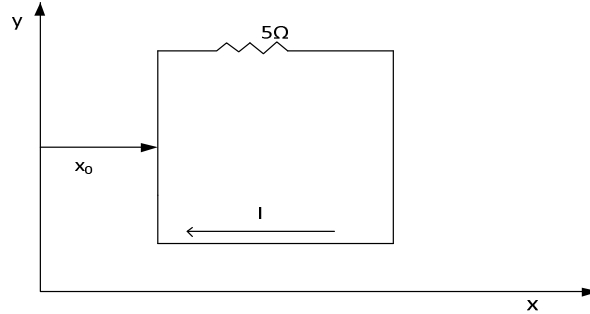
(10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) (i) State Faraday's law of electromagnetic induction
(ii) The square loop shown in Figure 2 (side length=10cm) moves at a velocity of 3m/s in the +x direction in air where the magnetic flux density is defined as

$$\vec{B} = \frac{2}{x^2} \vec{a}_z \quad \mu T$$

Determine the current I induced in the loop as a function of x_0 (10 marks)



- b) A single turn circular loop antenna of radius 20 cm lies in the y-plane (in air) and centered at the coordinate origin. Determine the emf induced in the loop given by $\vec{B} = 100 \cos(\omega t) \vec{a}_z (nT)$, $f = 1MHz$ (3 marks)
- c) Current I flows along a positive z –direction in the inner conductor of along coaxial cable and returns through the outer conductor. The inner conductor has radius a and the inner and outer radii of the outer conductor are b and c respectively. Determine the magnetic field in each of the following regions
- $0 \leq r \leq a$
 - $a \leq r \leq b$
 - $b \leq r \leq c$
 - $r \geq c$

(7 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) With the aid of hysteresis curve, describe the magnetization process (6 marks)
- b) (i) State the boundary conditions for magnetic fields
(ii) The plane boundary defined by $z = 0$ separates air from a block of iron. If $\vec{B}_1 = 4\vec{a}_x - 6\vec{a}_y + 8\vec{a}_z$ in ($z \leq 0$) given that $\mu = 5000\mu_0$ for iron. (7 marks)
- c) The electric field intensity E is given by $E = E_m \sin(\omega t - \beta z) \vec{a}_y$ in free space. Determine each of the following:
- Electric flux density D
 - Magnetic flux density B
 - Magnetic field strength, H

(10 marks)