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APPLIED PHYSICS DEPARTMENT

SPH 2106 ELECTROMAGNETISM I

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

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DURATION : 3 HOURS

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN SECTION A AND ANY THREE QUESTIONS FROM SECTION B. SECTION A CARRIES 40 MARKS AND SECTION B CARRIES 60 MARKS

SECTION A

1. a) i) The vector force \vec{F} on a conductor of length \vec{l} carrying a current I in a uniform vector magnetic field \vec{B} is equal to $\vec{F} = I \vec{l} \times \vec{B}$ (N). If $I = 10$ A, $\vec{l} = (\hat{x}2 + \hat{y}3)$ and $\vec{B} = (\hat{y}10^{-2} + \hat{z}10^{-3})$ tesla (T) find \vec{F} in newtons. [Assume the direction of \vec{l} to be that of the current I .] [5]
- ii) Find the electric flux ψ_E that passes through a surface that is bounded by the co-ordinates (3,2,0), (3,2,2), (0,2,2) and (0,2,0), when $\vec{D} = (\hat{x}y + \hat{y}x)10^{-2} \text{ Cm}^{-2}$ [5]
- b) i) From the vector magnetic potential \vec{A} of the current element in (i) above, find the \vec{B} by the use of $\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}$. [5]
- ii) State the Uniqueness Theorem [5]
- c) Use the relation $\vec{E} = -\nabla V$ to find the \vec{E} field about a point charge at the origin, using the following expressions for potential difference
- i) $V_{ab} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{1}{r_a} - \frac{1}{r_b} \right)$ and [5]
- ii) $V_{a(\text{ref})} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{1}{r_a} \right) + C$ [5]
- where r_a and r_b are radial distances from the origin, Q is the charge, C is a constant, V_{ab} and $V_{a(\text{ref})}$ are the potential differences.
- d) For a cylinder whose axis lies in the z -plane carrying a current of density $\vec{J} \mu\text{Am}^{-2}$, evaluate $\oint_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{s}$ over the portion of the cylinder bounded by $r_c = 0.2$ and the surfaces at z_1 and z_2 on the cylinder. [10]

SECTION B

2. i) Find the force of translation on an arbitrary current-carrying conductor loop in a uniform \vec{B} field. [8]
- ii) Using Ampere's Circuital Law, find the \vec{H} field in all regions of an infinite-length coaxial cable carrying a uniform and equal current I in opposite directions in the inner and outer conductors. The axis of the cable is along the z -axis. [12]
3. i) A parallel-plate capacitor has a plate area of $1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$. The plates are separated by a distance of $1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$ by a dielectric material which at 1 GHz has the following properties: $\epsilon_r' = 2$; $\sigma = 1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ Sm}^{-1}$
- a) Find the equivalent circuit for this capacitor. [3]
- b) Calculate the conduction current, [4]
- c) the displacement current and [3]
- d) the loss tangent if 1 V at 1 GHz is applied across the capacitor. [2]

- ii) A circular loop is described by the equation $x^2 + y^2 = 16$ and is located in the x - y plane centred at the origin. [See adjacent figure]. The \vec{B} field is described by $\vec{B} = \hat{z} 2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \cos \omega t$ (T). Find the total emf induced in the loop. [8]

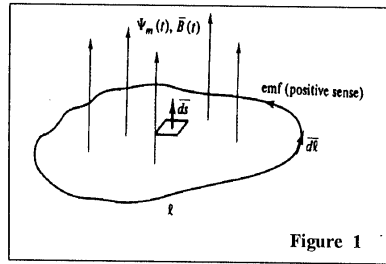


Figure 1

4. A parallel plate capacitor with circular plates of radius R is being charged by a current I as shown in Figure 2.
- a) Derive an expression for the magnetic field at radii r for the case $r \leq R$. [5]
- b) Evaluate the field magnitude B for $r = \frac{R}{5} = 12 \text{ mm}$ and $\frac{dE}{dt} = 2.0 \times 10^{11} \text{ Vm}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$. [3]
- c) Derive an expression for the induced magnetic field for the case $r \geq R$. [3]
- d) Between the plates, what is the magnitude of $\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s}$, in terms of μ_0 and I , at a radius $r = \frac{R}{5}$ from their centre? [5]
- e) In terms of the maximum induced magnetic field, what is the magnitude of the magnetic field induced at $r = \frac{R}{5}$, inside the capacitor? [4]

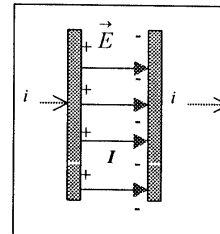


Figure 2.

5. a) Figure 2 refers to this question.

Let the \vec{B} field be directed along the positive z - axis, and let the axis of rotation be the y - axis. Sides 1 and 3 are l in length, and the sides 2 and 4 are of length w . Using the relation

$$IR = V_{ab} = e.m.f. = \int \vec{u} \times \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l},$$

show that the emf may be written as

$$V_0 \sin \omega t = B \omega \sin \omega t.$$

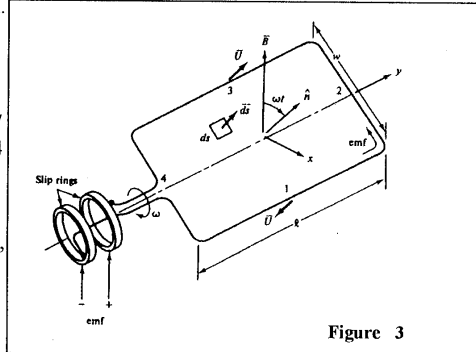


Figure 3

[12]

b) Given two finite and parallel line charges, derive the expression for the force on one of the lines

- i) in terms of the field concept, charge-field-charge, [4]
- ii) in terms of the action-at-a distance concept. [4]

END OF EXAMINATION