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Fourth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, July/August 2004

BM/EC/EE/TE/ML/IT

Field Theory

Time: 3 hrs.]

[Max.Marks : 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions.

1. (a) Explain Coulomb's law. Justify that the force field in the region of an isolated charge Q is spherically symmetric. (4 Marks)

- (b) Develop an expression for the electric field intensity when charge is distributed uniformly over a surface. (8 Marks)

A line charge of 2 nc/m lies along y -axis while surface charge densities of 0.1 and -0.1 nc/m^2 exist on the plane $Z=3$ and $Z=-4\text{m}$ respectively. Find the electric field intensity at a point $(1, -7, 2)$.

- (c) State and explain Gauss' law and verify it for a point charge.

A point charge $Q=30\text{nc}$ is located at the origin in Cartesian coordinates. Find the electric flux density \vec{D} at $(1, 3, -4)\text{m}$. (8 Marks)

2. (a) Find an expression establishing the relationship between electric field intensity and gradient of potential.

Find the electric field strength \vec{E} at the point $(1, 2, -1)$ given the potential $V = 3x^2y + 2yz^2 + 3xyz$. (10 Marks)

- (b) Derive an expression for the energy stored in a region of continuous charge distribution.

A parallel plate capacitor for which $C = \epsilon A/d$ has a constant voltage V applied across the plates. Find the stored energy in the electric field. (10 Marks)

3. (a) Discuss the three basic principles that apply to conductors in electrostatic fields. Indicate how these principles with a given knowledge of potential field help to calculate certain field quantities.

If the potential field \vec{V} is $\vec{V} = 100(x^2 - y^2)$ find \vec{E}, V at a point $(2, -1, 3)$ and the equation representing the locus of all points having a potential of 300V . (6 Marks)

- (b) Discuss the behaviour of fields at the interface between a perfect dielectric and a conductor. (8 Marks)

- (c) State and discuss uniqueness theorem. (6 Marks)

4. (a) State and discuss Ampere's circuital law and apply it to the case of an infinitely long co-axial transmission line carrying a uniformly distributed current, to calculate the magnetic field intensity. (8 Marks)

- (b) If the magnetic field intensity in a region is $\vec{H} = x^2\vec{a}_x + 2yz\vec{a}_y + (-x^2)\vec{a}_z$, find the current density at the origin. (4 Marks)

- (c) Discuss the concept of vector magnetic potential and arrive at an expression for it.

Given the vector magnetic potential $\vec{A} = x^2\vec{a}_x + 2yz\vec{a}_y + (-x^2)\vec{a}_z$, find the magnetic flux density. (8 Marks)

5. (a) Explain the nature of the force when a charged particle is moving through steady electric and magnetic fields.
Find an expression for force on differential current element moving in a steady magnetic field.
Deduce the result to a straight conductor in a uniform magnetic field. (8 Marks)
- (b) A conductor 4m long lies along the y-axis with a current of 10.0A in the \vec{a}_y direction. Find the force on the conductor if the field in the region is $\vec{B} = 0.05 \vec{a}_x$ Tesla. (10 Marks)
- (c) Discuss the magnetic boundary conditions to apply to \vec{B} , \vec{H} and \vec{M} at the interface between two different magnetic materials. (8 Marks)
6. (a) Discuss the physical significance of displacement current and justify that for the case of a parallel plate capacitor the displacement current is equivalent to conduction current.
Comment on the ratio of magnitudes of conduction current density to displacement current density.
A circular cross-section conductor of radius 1.5mm carries a current $i = 5.5 \sin(4 \times 10^{10} t) \mu A$. Find the amplitude of the displacement current density if $\sigma = 35 \text{ mho/m}$ and $\epsilon_r = 10$. (10 Marks)
- (b) Derive Maxwell's equations in point form Gauss law for electric and magnetic fields.
Given $\vec{E} = E_m \sin(\omega t - \beta I) \vec{a}_y$ in free space, calculate \vec{D} , \vec{B} and \vec{H} . (10 Marks)
7. (a) Discuss the propagation of uniform plane waves in a lossless medium.
A uniform plane wave $\vec{E}_y = 10 \sin(2\pi \times 10^8 t - \beta x)$ is traveling in x-direction in free space. Find i) Phase constant, ii) Phase velocity and iii) the expression for \vec{H}_z . Assume $\vec{E}_z = 0 = \vec{H}_y$. (10 Marks)
- (b) Define Poynting vector and explain the power flow associated with it.
The electric field intensity at a distance of 10 km in free space from a radio station was found to be 2.2 mv/m. Calculate
i) the power density and ii) The total power radiated from the station.
Assume the radiation to be spherically symmetric. (10 Marks)
8. Write notes on :
- Gauss' divergence theorem (5 Marks)
 - Equation of continuity. (5 Marks)
 - Solution of Laplace's equation (5 Marks)
 - Magnetic circuits. (5 Marks)

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