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Sixth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2016/Jan.2017
Antennas and Propagation

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting atleast TWO questions from each part.

PART – A

- 1
 - a. Define the term directivity and effective aperture related to antenna hence derive the relation for directivity D in terms of effective aperture A_e . (08 Marks)
 - b. Define the following with respect to antennal parameters
 i) Effective height ii) Polarization. (04 Marks)
 - c. A lossless resonant $\lambda/2$ dipole antenna having an input impedance of 73Ω is to be connected to a transmission line having characteristic impedance of 50Ω . The pattern of the antenna is given by $u = u_0 \sin^3\theta$. Find the overall gain of the antenna. (08 Marks)
- 2
 - a. State and explain power theorem and mention any two its application to point sources. (04 Marks)
 - b. Calculate the directivity of the source with the pattern $u = u_m \sin\theta \sin^3\phi$. Using i) Exact method ii) Approximate method. Take $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$ and $0 \leq \phi \leq \pi$. (08 Marks)
 - c. Show that maximum effective aperture of a half wave dipole antenna is $0.13\lambda^2$. (08 Marks)
- 3
 - a. Explain the principle along with suitable examples of pattern multiplication. (06 Marks)
 - b. Obtain the field pattern for a linear uniform array of 6 isotropic point sources spaced $\lambda/2$ distance apart. The power is applied with equal amplitude and in phase. Find also HPBW and FNBW. (08 Marks)
 - c. Derive an expression for radiation resistance (R_r) of a short - dipole. (06 Marks)
- 4
 - a. A half wave dipole in free space is radiating with a current of 1A (rms value) at the antenna terminals. Find the angle θ for maximum field strength and determine the field strength and power density at a point mile from the antenna at the corresponding angle. (06 Marks)
 - b. A thin linear dipole antenna is $\lambda/2$ long and its loss resistance is 1.2Ω . Find the radiation resistance and efficiency. (04 Marks)
 - c. Write short notes on : i) Folded dipole antenna ii) Thin linear antenna (10 Marks)

PART – B

- 5
 - a. Explain Babinet's principle with suitable illustrations. (06 Marks)
 - b. Derive Far field expressions for small loop antenna. (08 Marks)
 - c. Explain microstrip antenna, with neat sketches. Mention its advantages. (06 Marks)
- 6
 - a. Explain the axial mode pattern and the phase velocity of wave propagation on Monofilar Helical antenna. (10 Marks)
 - b. Explain the operation of log – periodic antenna. (05 Marks)
 - c. Draw the constructional details of an embedded antenna. (05 Marks)

- 7 a. Describe the factors affecting ground wave propagation. (06 Marks)
b. Explain clearly the phenomenon of Duct propagation. (06 Marks)
c. Derive an expression for wave tilt of surface wave. (08 Marks)
- 8 a. For an ionospheric layers, derive the expression for conductivity and relative permittivity as a function of electron density and angular frequency. (08 Marks)
b. Write short notes on the following as related to ionospheric propagation :
i) Virtual height (h_r)
ii) Maximum usable frequency (f_{muf}).
iii) Critical frequency (f_c).
iv) Skip distance (D_{skip}). (12 Marks)
