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M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – PHYSICS

FIRST SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2017

17PPH1MC02 - ELECTRODYNAMICS

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Time: 01:00-04:00

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Max. : 100 Marks

PART A

Answer **ALL** questions:

(10 x 2 = 20 marks)

1. An infinite plane carries a uniform surface charge σ . Find its electric field.
2. Find the electric field at a distance S from an infinitely long straight wire, which carries a uniform line charge λ .
3. A cylindrical resistor of cross-sectional area A and length L is made from material with conductivity σ . If the potential difference between the ends is V , what current flows?
4. Calculate the magnitude of Poynting vector at the surface of the sun. Given that power radiated by sun = 3.8×10^{26} watts and radius of the sun is 7×10^8 m.
5. Event A happens at point $(X_A=5, Y_A=3, Z_A=0)$ and at time t_A given by $(ct_A=15)$. Event B occurs at $(10, 8, 0)$ at $ct_B=5$. Both in system S . Find the invariant interval between A & B.
6. Two lumps of clay, each of rest mass (m) , collide head-on at $\pm c$ if they stick together, what is the mass (M) of the composite lump?
7. Consider two large metal plates each of area 'A' and charge Q on each plate. What is the electrostatic pressure on these plates?
8. The plates of a parallel plate capacitor move close by an infinitesimal distance S . Find the work done by electrostatic forces in terms of the field E .
9. Describe Hall-Magneto Hydrodynamics.
10. Find the cut-off frequency for a given wave guide in the mode TE_{10}

PART B

Answer any **FOUR** questions:

(4 x 7.5 = 30 marks)

11. Derive the cyclotron formula. A particle of charge q enters a region of uniform magnetic field B . The field deflects the particle a distance d above to original line of flight. Find the momentum of the particle. (3 + 4.5)

12. Two concentric metal spherical shell of radii a and b are separated by a conducting material of conductivity σ . (a) If they maintain a potential difference, what current flows from one to the other? (b) What is the resistance between the shells? (2.5+5)
13. A pion at rest decays into a muon and a neutrino. Find the energy of the outgoing muon in terms of the two masses, m and m_μ (assume $m_\nu = 0$). Also find the velocity of the outgoing muon.
14. An infinite straight wire carries a current $I(t) = 0$ (for $t < 0$) and $I(t) = I_0$ (for $t > 0$). Find the resulting electric and magnetic fields.
15. Consider a rectangular wave guide with dimensions $2.28\text{cm} \times 1.01\text{cm}$. What TE modes will propagate in this wave guide, if the driving frequency is 1.70×10^{10} Hz?
16. (a) State Larmor Formula. (b) Suppose an electron decelerated at a constant rate \mathbf{a} from some initial velocity v_0 down to zero. What fraction of its initial kinetic energy is lost to radiation? (assume $v_0 \ll c$) (2.5 + 5).

PART C

Answer any **FOUR** questions:

(4 x 12.5 = 50 marks)

17. (a) State Gauss theorem. (b) Find the capacitance of two concentric spherical metal shells with radii a and b . (c) Find the capacitance per unit length of two co-axial cylindrical tubes of radii a and b . (2.5 + 5 + 5).
18. (a) What is Gauge transformation? Explain Lorentz Gauge. (b) Find the energy stored in a section of length of a long solenoid (radius R , current I , n turns per unit length). (8 + 4.5)
19. Derive the complete set of Lorentz transformation equations and hence arrive at Einstein velocity addition rule.
20. Find the potentials of a point charge moving with a constant velocity.
21. Show that a coaxial transmission line support TEM waves. Find the charge density $\rho(z, t)$ and the current $I(z, t)$ on the inner conductor. (6.5 + 6)
22. Prove the uniqueness theorems in electrostatics.

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