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ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD THEORY

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

You should have the following for this examination:

Answer booklet;

Mathematical tables/Non-programmable scientific calculator.

This paper consists of EIGHT questions.

Answer FIVE questions in the answer booklet provided.

All questions carry equal marks.

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown.

Candidates should answer the questions in English.

Take: Permittivity of free space, $\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/M}$

Permeability of free space, $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/M}$

Sped of light, $C = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$

Plank's constant, $h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34}$

This paper consists of 5 printed pages.

Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.

1. (a) (i) Outline **two** sources of electromagnetic radiations.
- (ii) Table 1 shows types of electromagnetic waves. Complete the table. (8 marks)

Table 1

SNo.	Wave	Example of Detectors	Typical Application
1	Radio wave	Aerial	—
2	Micro-wave	—	Heating
3	Infra-red	—	Remote controls
4	Visible light	LED	—
5	Ultraviolet	Film	—
6	X-rays	Very fast electrons	—

- (b) (i) Define electric field intensity.
- (ii) Determine the electric field intensity at point (0,0,4) due to charge of 2 nC distributed uniformly on a line. (8 marks)
- (c) Explain Faraday's Law for time varying fields. (4 marks)

2. (a) (i) Define magnetic flux density and state its units.
- (ii) State Ampere's circuit law and write its mathematical representation. (4 marks)

(b) Figure 1 shows a square coil of side 'a' carrying a current I. Show that the flux density B at point P, distance Z from the centre 'O' of the coil is given by:

$$B_z = \frac{2\sqrt{2}\mu_0 I}{\pi} \left(\frac{a^2}{(a^2 + 4z^2)\sqrt{a^2 + 2z^2}} \right) \quad (7 \text{ marks})$$

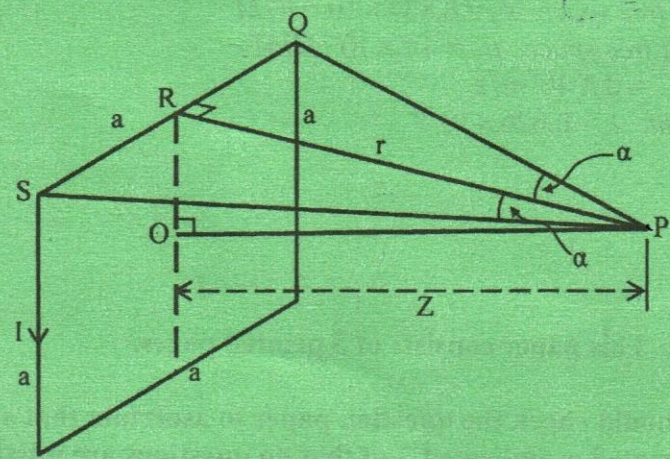


Fig. 1
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- (c) With the aid of a labelled diagram, describe the step-by-step method of determining the B-H curve. (9 marks)

- ✓ 3. (a) (i) State two applications of Gauss's law.
- (ii) A sphere of radius $R = 8$ m has a charge $Q = 30 \mu\text{C}$ uniformly distributed throughout the surface. Determine the electric field at a distance $r = 4$ m from the sphere. (7 marks)
- (b) State Maxwell's equations in words and write their mathematical expressions in differential form. (8 marks)
- (c) Two straight wires are placed parallel to each other in $x-y$ plane, 10 mm apart. The current flowing through one wire is 1 A in the x -direction. If a current of 1 A is passed through the second wire in the same direction, determine the force exerted per unit length on each wire. $Q = CV$ $d = 10\text{mm}$ (5 marks)

- ✓ 4. (a) Explain displacement current density with respect to parallel plate capacitor and state its units. (4 marks)
- (b) The conduction current density in a lossy dielectric medium is given by $J_c = 0.002 \sin 10^9 t$ A/m². The conductivity $\delta = 10^3$ mho/m and $\epsilon_r = 6.5$. Determine the displacement current density. (6 marks)
- (c) (i) State 'Poynting theorem'.
- (ii) Derive the Poynting theorem equation using Maxwells Curls equations. (10 marks)

5. (a) (i) State two properties of uniform plane waves,
- (ii) Explain the skin effect with respect to electromagnetic waves. (5 marks)

- (b) A lossy dielectric medium has an intrinsic impedance of $200/30^\circ \Omega$ at a particular frequency. The plane wave propagating through the dielectric has the magnetic field component given by the expression

$$\vec{H} = 10 e^{-\alpha x} \cos(\omega t - \frac{1}{2}x) \hat{a}_y \text{ A/m.}$$

Determine the:

- (i) electric field component, \vec{E} ;
- (ii) propagation constant;
- (iii) skin depth.

(10 marks)

- (c) (i) Sketch an electromagnetic wave propagating in the Z-direction. (5 marks)
- (ii) Explain why attenuation of an electromagnetic wave does not occur in a lossless medium. (5 marks)

6. (a) State Biot Savart law and write its mathematical expression. (2 marks)

(b) Define each of the following with respect to electromagnetic waves:

- (i) wavelength;
- (ii) intrinsic impedance. (2 marks)

(c) A transmission line has the following parameters.

Resistance $R = 84 \Omega/\text{km}$, conductance $G = 10^{-6} \text{ mho}/\text{km}$
 Inductance $L = 0.01 \text{ H}/\text{km}$, capacitance $C = 0.061 \mu\text{F}/\text{km}$
 and frequency, $f = 1,000 \text{ Hz}$.

Determine the:

- (i) characteristics impedance;
- (ii) propagation constant;
- (iii) velocity of propagation. (10 marks)

(d) Differentiate between the following magnetic materials:

- (i) soft magnetic materials;
- (ii) hard magnetic materials. (6 marks)

7. (a) Write Maxwell's equations in vector form. (4 marks)

(b) Using the vector identity $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = \vec{\nabla}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}) - \vec{\nabla}^2 \vec{E}$

Show that the wave equation for electric field intensity is given by the expression:

$$\vec{\nabla}^2 \vec{E} = j\omega\mu(\sigma + j\omega\epsilon)\vec{E}$$

(6 marks)

- (c) (i) State Faraday's law in differential form.
(ii) An electric field is given by the expression:

$$\vec{E} = 20 \sin(10^8 t - \beta x) \hat{a}_z$$

Using the law in c(i), determine the expression for the magnetic field \vec{H} .

(8 marks)

- (d) Outline **two** types of wave polarization. (2 marks)

8. (a) State Poynting energy conservation theorem and write its mathematical expression in differential form. (3 marks)

- (b) An electromagnetic wave has a wavelength of 625 nm. Determine the:

- (i) frequency of the wave;
(ii) energy of the wave.

(4 marks)

- (c) (i) Outline **two** properties of magnetic shield materials.

- (ii) With the aid of a diagram, describe how a magnetic shield works.

(7 marks)

- (d) A ferrite material has a magnetic flux density of 0.05T and a relative permeability of $\mu_r = 50$. Determine the:

- (i) susceptibility, χ_m ;
(ii) magnetic field strength, H;
(iii) magnetization, M.

(6 marks)

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c = \lambda \cdot f
F = \frac{E}{c}
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