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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

EENG 232: ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD THEORY

STREAMS: BSC EENG

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: MONDAY 23/12/2024

2.30 P.M – 4.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1 This paper consists of **four** questions
- 2 Question ONE is COMPULSORY and carries 30 Marks
- 3 The other questions carry 20 Marks Each
- 4 Attempt Question **ONE** and **ANY OTHERTWO** questions
- 5 Use the following constants where applicable

$$\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$$

$$\epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{36\pi} \times 10^{-9} \text{ F/m}$$

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \frac{\text{H}}{\text{m}}$$

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

a) Define a the following terms as used in electromagnetism [4 Marks]

- (i) Vector
- (ii) Field
- (iii) Flux

(iv) Curl of a vector

b) Explain any TWO applications of electromagnetic [4 Marks]

c) Given point P (-2, 6, 3) and vector $\mathbf{A} = y\mathbf{a}_x + (x + z)\mathbf{a}_y$. Express P and A in cylindrical and spherical coordinates [4 Marks]d) Calculate the vector associated with (3, -4, 5) if,

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = xy^2z\mathbf{a}_x + x^2yz\mathbf{a}_y + xyz^2\mathbf{a}_z$$
 [3 Marks]e) Find the gradient of the scalar field $\phi = x^2yz^3 + xy^2z$ at P (1, 3, 2) [4 Marks]f) Determine the curl of vector field $\mathbf{P} = x^2yz\mathbf{a}_x + xz\mathbf{a}_z$ [3 Marks]

g) State Coulomb's law [2 Marks]

h) Determine the force between two identical charges, of magnitude 10 pC, separated by a distance of 1mm situated in free-space. [2 Marks]

i) Given a plane wave with $f = 1\text{M Hz}$ propagating in Region 1. Air, $\sigma = 0$, $\epsilon_1 = \epsilon_0$ and $\mu_1 = \mu_0$ and Region 2. Copper $\sigma = 5.8 \times 10^7$ $\epsilon_1 = \epsilon_0$ and $\mu_1 = \mu_0$. Determine the attenuation constant, phase constant, velocity of propagation wavelength in both regions [4 Marks]**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

a) Define the following terms as used in electrostatics:

(i) Electric field intensity

(ii) Potential difference

(iii) Static electric field [3 marks]

b) Point charges 1mC and -2mC are located at (3, 2, -1) and (-1, -1, 4) respectively. Calculate the electric force on a 10 nC charge located at (0, 3, 1) and the electric field intensity at that point [7 marks]

c) Given the potential field, $V = 2x^2y - 5z$, and a point P(-4,3,6), Evaluate

(i) The potential V, at point P [1 mark]

(ii) The electric field Intensity \mathbf{E} , at point P [2 Marks]

- (iii) The direction of \mathbf{E} , \mathbf{a}_{EP} [2 Marks]
- (iv) The electric flux density \mathbf{D} , [1 Marks]
- (v) The Volume charge density ρ_v [1 Marks]
- d) An electromagnetic wave is propagating in the z-direction in a lossy medium with attenuation constant $\alpha = 0.5$ Np/m. If the wave's electric-field amplitude is 100 V/m at $z = 0$, how far can the wave travel before its amplitude will have been reduced to 10 V/m [3 Marks]

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) With the aid of vectors define the Biot- Savart's law and show that the magnetic field intensity is given by $d\mathbf{H} = \frac{I dl \sin \alpha}{4\pi R^2}$. Where I is the current element, α is the angle between the element and line joining the point and R is the distance between the element and the point [4 Marks]
- b) A circular loop located on $x^2 + y^2 = 9$, $z = 0$ carries a direct current of 10 A along \mathbf{a}_ϕ . Determine \mathbf{H} at $(0, 0, 4)$ and $(0, 0, -4)$. [6 Marks]
- c) Derive the Poisson's equation from the Gauss's law $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho_v$, where \mathbf{D} is the flux density and ρ_v is the volume charge density [4 marks]
- d) Two parallel discs are separated by a distance of 5mm at $z = 0$ and $z = 5$ mm. If $V = 0$ at $z = 0$ and $V = 100$ V at $z = 5$ mm find the charge densities on the discs [6 marks]

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) A square plate in the x-y plane is situated in the space defined by $-3 \text{ m} \leq x \leq 3 \text{ m}$ and $-3 \text{ m} \leq y \leq 3 \text{ m}$. Find the total charge on the plate if the surface charge density is given by $\rho_s = 4y^2$ (mC/m²). [3 Marks]
- b) A horizontal wire with a mass per unit length of 0.2 kg/m carries a current of 4 A in the +x-direction. If the wire is placed in a uniform magnetic flux

density B , what should the direction and minimum magnitude of B be in order to magnetically lift the wire vertically upward? (Hint: The acceleration due to gravity is $g = -\hat{z} 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$.) **[4 Marks]**

c) Distinguish between reflection and transmission coefficients as used in Electromagnetic waves and state their effect on travelling waves

[6 Marks]

d) A plane wave in air with electric field amplitude of 20 V/m is incident normally upon the surface of a lossless, nonmagnetic medium with $\epsilon_r = 25$. Determine the:

(i) reflection and transmission coefficients **[3 Marks]**

(ii) standing-wave ratio in the air medium **[1 Mark]**

(iii) average power densities of the incident, reflected, and transmitted waves **[3 Marks]**

