2022

PHYSICS — HONOURS

Paper: CC-11

(Syllabus: 2019-2020)

[Electromagnetic Theory]

Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Answer question no. 1 and any four questions from the rest.

1. Answer any five questions:

2×5

- (a) Find the velocity of light in a medium for which relative permittivity is 3 and permeability is half of the value of permittivity.
- (b) The intensity of sunlight hitting the earth is about 1300 Watt/m². Find the amplitude of the electric field.
- (c) Show that the frequency of the wave remains unchanged upon refraction, when an electromagnetic wave is incident on the plane interface between two different media.
- (d) Calculate the reflection coefficient for an electromagnetic wave of frequency 10 GHz when it is incident normally on a metal surface of conductivity $6 \times 10^7 \ (\Omega \, \text{m})^{-1}$. Take $\epsilon = \epsilon_0$ and $\mu = \mu_0$.
- (e) In a current free region $B_x = ax + bz$ and $B_y = ax + cy$. Find a possible form for B_z assuming all currents are outside.
- (f) Define specific rotation.
- (g) Define the state of polarization of the wave presented by the following set of equations $E_x = E_o \sin(kz \omega t)$ and $E_v = E_o \cos(kz \omega t)$.
- (a) Show how Maxwell's equations in free space imply local conservation of charge. Show that this implies Kirchoff's second law.
 - (b) Starting from Maxwell's equation derive the following equations:

$$\left(\nabla^2 \vec{A} - \mu_o \epsilon_o \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial t^2}\right) - \nabla \vec{L} = -\mu_o \vec{J} \text{ and } \left(\nabla^2 \Phi - \mu_o \epsilon_o \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial t^2}\right) + \frac{\partial L}{\partial t} = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_o}, \text{ where symbols have their}$$

usual meanings. Comment on the term L. Hence derive modified Poisson equation.

(2+2)+(3+2+1)

- 3. (a) A long coaxial cable of length l consists of an inner conductor of radius a and an outer conductor of radius b. It is maintained at a potential difference V. The current flows down the inner cylinder and back along the outer cylinder. If λ be the charge per unit length of the inner cylinder, find the electromagnetic energy stored in the cable.
 - (b) Show that the momentum density stored in electromagnetic field is given by \vec{S}/c^2 in vacuum; where \vec{S} is the Poynting vector.
 - (c) Show that if a monochromatic linearly polarized plane wave is moving in an isotropic non-conducting medium, the time average of its energy density is distributed equally between the magnetic and electric fields.
 3+4+3
- 4. (a) Determine the expression of the phase angle in a conductor lagged by the magnetic field behind the electric field. Determine the angle for a ideal conductor.
 - (b) Define a good and a bad conductor from the point of view of the frequency of the incident electromagnetic wave. A metal has conductivity of 7.2×10⁷ (Ω m)⁻¹. Obtain the skin depth in that metal at frequency of 1 kHz. Why are metals opaque? (3+2)+(2+2+1)
- 5. (a) A current sheet of surface density $\vec{K} = -10\hat{y} A/m$ is located in the plane z = 0. The permiabilities of the meterial for z > 0 and z < 0 are $5\mu_o$ and $2\mu_o$ respectively. The magnetic field in the region z > 0 is $\vec{H}_> = 15\hat{x} 8\hat{z} A/m$. Find $\vec{B}_>$, $\vec{H}_<$ and $\vec{B}_<$, where

 $\vec{H}_{>}, \vec{B}_{>}$ stand for fields at z > 0, and $\vec{H}_{<}, \vec{B}_{<}$ stand for fields at z < 0.

- (b) A plane electromagnetic wave falls obliquely on the interface between two simple dielectrics. The electric field vector is parallel to the plane of incidence. Obtain expressions for the transmission coefficient.
- (c) A plane EM wave travelling in free space is incident normally on a dielectric material with dielectric constant of 2.5. If there is no absorption by the material, find the reflectivity and transmittivity.

3+4+3

6. (a) Explain how to detect the following waves:

- (i) circularly polarized, (ii) elliptically polarized.
- (b) What is Babinet's compensator? Write the advantages of Babinet's compensator over the $\lambda/4$ plate.
- (c) Explain how continuous variation in retardance of a wave plate can be achieved.
- (d) Calculate the thickness of a half-wave plate for a light of wavelength 550 nm. Given the refractive indices $n_o = 1.5442$ and $n_e = 1.5533$.

- 7. (a) Imagine two crossed linear polarizers with transmission axes vertical and horizontal. Now insert a third linear polarizer between them with transmission axis at 45° to the vertical. Determine the intensity of the emerging wave in terms of intensity of the incident wave.
 - (b) The rotation in the plane of polarization at wavelength 589.3 nm in a certain substance is 10°/cm. Calculate the difference between the refractive indices for right and left circular polarized light in the medium. Derive the equation that you use.
 - (c) Define Optic axis, Principal section and Principal plane for a double refracting crystal. 3+4+3

Syllabus: 2018-2019

(Quantum Mechanics and Applications)

Full Marks: 50

Answer question no. 1 and any four questions from the rest.

1. Answer any five questions:

2×5

- (a) A particle moves in a linear potential V(x) = (-kx). Show that $\langle x \rangle$ follows the same time evolution as given by Newton's law.
- (b) Prove that total wave function for Bosons is symmetric.
- (c) In Stern-Gerlach experiment, a beam of atoms is passed through an inhomogeneous magnetic field. What will happen if ions are used instead of atoms.
- (d) If V(x) is an even function, then wave function can always be taken to be either even or odd. Justify.
- (e) Show that the quantity $y = \sqrt{\alpha}x$, where $\alpha = \frac{m\omega}{\hbar}$ as used in a harmonic oscillator is dimensionless.
- (f) Find the magnetic moment of an atom in the state $2D_{3/2}$.
- (g) Find the quantum number corresponding to an oscillator of mass 2 gm, angular velocity 1 rad/Sec, amplitude 1 cm & using correspondence principle, comment on its nature.
- 2. (a) A stream of particles of mass m energy E move towards the potential step V(x) = 0 for x < 0 and $V(x) = V_0$ for x > 0. If the energy of the particles $E > E_0$, show that the sum of fluxes of the transmitted and reflected particles is equal to flux of incident particles.

(b) The wave function of linear harmonic oscillator in the potential $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}mw^2x^2$ at a given instant

is
$$\psi(x) = \left(\frac{2}{\pi\beta^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} e^{-x^2/\beta^2}$$
 For what value of β will the function $\hat{a} \psi(x)$ be zero?

[Given:
$$\hat{a} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\hat{x} + i\hat{p}_x]$$

(c) Prove that energy eigenfunction of a free particle is doubly degenerate.

5+3+2

- 3. (a) The vector space for a particle of spin half has basis $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ in which s_z is diagonal having eigenvalues $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{-1}{2}$ respectively. Using this basis find the normalized eigenvector of S_y with eigenvalues $(-\frac{1}{2})$.
 - (b) Consider the wave function

$$\psi(x,0) = Ae^{-\lambda|x|}e^{-iwt}$$

- (i) Normalize ψ
- (ii) Determine the expectation value of x.
- (iii) Find the standard deviation of x.
- (c) Discuss the changes that the confined particle observes if the infinite square will is made finite. 3+(1+2+2)+2
- 4. (a) Write down the schrödinger equation for the electron of Tritium (H₃) atom, assuming the nucleus to be stationary. Obtain the radial equation by separation of variables with special emphasis on effective potential.
 - (b) Find $\langle S_z \rangle$ in the state $X = A \begin{pmatrix} 1 2i \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$.
 - (c) Show that $L_{\pm}f_l^m = \hbar\sqrt{l(l+1) m(m+1)}f_l^{m\pm 1}$ where the symbols have their usual meaning. 4+3+3
- 5. (a) What is Lande-g factor? Obtain an expression in terms of l, s, j.
 - (b) What is the lande-g-factor for an atom with a single optical electron in $d_{\frac{3}{2}}$ level?
 - (c) Find out the different factors in the J-J coupling. Scheme for a two electron atom given by $l_1 = 1$ and $l_2 = 2$. (1+3)+2+4

- 6. (a) Write down the fine structure formula mentioning each correction term with respect to Bohr energy of hydrogen atom.
 - (b) Using 1st order perturbation theory, obtain the relativistic correction term to the kinetic energy.
 - (c) Using uncertainty principle estimate the ground state energy of hydrogen atom. 3+4+3
- 7. (a) An atomic state is denoted by $4D_{5/2}$. Give the values of L, S and J. What should be the minimum number of electrons involved for this state? Give a possible electronic configuration.
 - (b) In K, the longest wavelength lines in $(n, 1) \rightarrow (4, 0)$ transitions have wavelength 7699, 7665, 4047 and 4044 Å respectively. Find the splitting between the levels in the same n and l but different j.
 - (c) A source of light is placed between the poles of an electromagnet. What will you observe if the light is examined by a spectroscope in directions parallel and perpendicular to the magnetic field. Assume the magnetic field to be not too strong. Give an explanation of the phenomenon.

 4+3+3